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Supplemental Information

DNA Double-Strand Break Resection Occurs during

Non-homologous End Joining in G1 but Is Distinct

from Resection during Homologous Recombination

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SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURE LEGENDS

Figure S1. Related to Figure 1

(A) Upper images: Growing 82-6 cells were incubated with BrdU in the absence of nocodazole for 1 or 14 h before analysis by flow cytometry. Growth in the presence of BrdU (and absence of nocodazole) for 14 h results in BrdU⁺ G1 cells and depletion of the BrdU⁻ G2 population. Lower images: 82-6 cells were treated with nocodazole, incubated with BrdU, irradiated or not, and analyzed 14 h later. Nocodazole efficiently prevented cells from progressing into G1 as evidenced by the absence of BrdU⁺ G1 cells and the maintenance of the BrdU⁻ G2 population. IR resulted in efficient G1 checkpoint induction as evidenced by the absence of early- and mid-S phase cells.

(B) Growing unirradiated 82-6 cells were pulse-labeled with EdU for 30 min and analyzed by PCC. Heavily damaged chromosome structures were confined to EdU⁺ S-phase cells.

(C) Growing 82-6 cells were incubated with EdU, left unirradiated, not treated with nocodazole and analyzed by PCC 14 h later. Since cells progressed through the cell cycle uninhibited, EdU⁺ chromosome spreads were obtained in heavily damaged S-phase cells as well as in G1 cells with a one-chromatid and in G2 cells with a two-chromatid morphology.

(D) Growing 82-6 cells were incubated with EdU, irradiated, treated with nocodazole and analyzed by PCC 14 h later. Since nocodazole prevented progression from G2 to G1, all cells with a one-chromatid morphology were negative for EdU whilst EdU^+ cells were frequently detected in spreads with heavily damaged chromosomes and in spreads with a two-chromatid morphology. Two-chromatid G2 and mitotic cells can be easily distinguished from one-chromatid G1 cells.

(E) Growing HeLa cells were stained for the G1 marker CDT1 (upper panel) and the CDT1 signal was plotted as a function of the DAPI signal (lower panel). Only G1 cells stain positive for CDT1.

(F) Growing 82-6 cells were analyzed by PCC and stained against CDT1. The images show a mitotic HeLa cell fused with either a one-chromatid (upper row) or a two-chromatid 82-6 cell (lower row). Only the one-chromatid but not the two-chromatid PCC spread stained positive for the G1 marker CDT1 (the same was observed for all other one-chromatid and two-chromatid PCC spreads). Note that during cell rupture, which occurs while transferring the chromosomes to the glass slides, chromatin-bound CDT1 detaches from the chromosomes but remains detectable by IF staining in the nuclear area.

Figure S2. Related to Figure 1

(A) Chromosome spreads of mitotic 82-6 cells. Growing cells were incubated with nocodazole for 14 h, the mitotic cell fraction was harvested by mitotic shake-off and analyzed with or without the PCC approach. Both approaches failed to provide one-chromatid spreads while two-chromatid mitotic structures were clearly visible which typically are more condensed than the two-chromatid structures of G2 cells. This control experiment shows that mitotic 82-6 cells do not give rise to one-chromatid PCC spreads.

(B) Chromosome breaks and translocations in one-chromatid PCC spreads obtained from confluent 82-6 cells treated with DNA-PKi at 6 h post IR. The results confirm the analysis of the one-chromatid PCC spreads obtained from growing 82-6 cells in Figure 1D. Mean +/- SEM.

(C) Chromosome breaks and translocations in PCC spreads obtained from confluent 82-6 and Artemisdeficient CJ179 cells. The results confirm the analysis of the one-chromatid PCC spreads obtained from growing 82-6 and CJ179 cells in Figure 1E. Mean +/- SEM.

(D) Left panel: 82-6 cells were treated with nocodazole, incubated with BrdU, irradiated or not, and analyzed 8 h later by flow cytometry. Nocodazole efficiently prevented cells from progressing into G1 as evidenced by the absence of BrdU⁺ G1 cells and the maintenance of the BrdU⁻ G2 population. IR resulted in efficient G1 checkpoint induction as evidenced by the absence of early S-phase cells. Right panels: Identification of cell cycle phases using a semi-automated scanning system. Cells were incubated with nocodazole and EdU 30 min prior to IR and during the entire repair period. Cells were scanned under the microscope; EdU and GFP signals were plotted against the DAPI signal. All EdU⁺ S-phase cells were excluded from the analysis and only EdU⁻ G1 and G2 cells, which remained in these cell cycle phases during repair incubation, were analyzed. For complementation experiments, only GFP⁺ EdU⁻ G1 cells were analyzed.

(E) γH2AX foci in G1 HeLa cells treated with siKu80 plus PARPi or siLig1/3. Mean +/- SEM.

Figure S3. Related to Figure 2

(A) Left panel: HeLa cells were treated with nocodazole, incubated with BrdU, irradiated or not, and analyzed 8 h later by flow cytometry. Nocodazole efficiently prevented cells from progressing into G1 as evidenced by the absence of BrdU⁺ G1 cells and the maintenance of the BrdU⁻ G2 population. Despite the lack of an efficient G1 checkpoint, a substantial proportion of cells remained in G1 during repair incubation. Right panel: γ H2AX foci in G1 HeLa cells treated with siArtemis and/or siCtIP. Mean +/- SEM.

(B) BrdU foci in G1 HeLa cells treated with siArtemis. Mean +/- SEM.

(C) γH2AX foci in G1 82-6 and CJ179 cells treated with siCtIP, PARP or DNA-PK inhibitors. Mean +/-SEM.

(D) pRPA foci in G1 HeLa cells treated with siArtemis, siCtIP, siExo1, siBrca1 or Mre11 exo- or endonuclease inhibitors. Mean +/- SEM.

(E) Ku and pRPA staining in G1 HeLa cells. Co-localization was analyzed by line blots and observed in >95% of pRPA foci. White circles: Co-localizing foci; red circles: non-co-localizing foci.

(F) Ku and Rad51 staining in G2 HeLa cells. Co-localization was analyzed by line blots and observed in <20% (after 20 Gy, 4 h) or <10% (after 4 Gy, 8 h) of Rad51 foci. White circles: Co-localizing foci; red circles: non-co-localizing foci.

Figure S4. Related to Figure 4

(A) pATM and γ H2AX foci in HeLa cells treated with Mre11 endo- or exonuclease inhibitor. NT: not treated.

(B) Chromosome breaks in G1 82-6 and CJ179 cells treated with Mre11 endo- or exonuclease inhibitor, siExo1 or siBrca1. Mean +/- SEM.

(C) Relative gene conversion frequencies in HeLa pGC cells containing an HR reporter substrate (Mansour et al., 2008) and treated with Mre11 endo- or exonuclease inhibitor. Mean +/- SEM.

(D) γH2AX foci in G2 82-6 and CJ179 cells treated with Mre11 endo- or exonuclease inhibitor or siExo1. Mean +/- SEM.

(E) Knock-down efficiencies in HeLa and GC92 cells.

Figure S5. Related to Figure 5

(A) pRPA foci in G1 HeLa and end-joining events in GC92 cells treated with si53BP1. Cells were transfected with GFP, RFP or HA-53BP1-wt constructs and GFP^+ , RFP^+ or HA^+ cells were analyzed. Mean +/- SEM.

(B) Left panel: End-joining events in GC92 cells treated with siLig1/3 and/or si53BP1. Right panel: γ H2AX foci in GC92 cells treated with siLig1/3 and/or si53BP1. Cells were transfected with I-SceI and foci were scored in I-SceI⁺ and I-SceI⁻ cells (identified by IF against I-SceI). Mean +/- SEM.

(C) γ H2AX foci in G1 MEFs treated with siArtemis. Cells were transfected with GFP or cMyc-Artemis-wt constructs and foci were analyzed in GFP⁺ or cMyc⁺ G1 cells. Mean +/- SEM.

(D) and (E) Brca1 and γ H2AX foci in G1 and G2 HeLa cells after X-IR (panel D) or α -IR (panel E). NT: not treated.

Figure S6. Related to Figure 6

(A) γ H2AX foci in G2 HeLa cells treated with siArtemis and/or siPlk3. Mean +/- SEM.

(B) γH2AX foci and chromosome breaks in G1 and/or G2 82-6 and CJ179 cells treated with siPlk3 or Plki. Mean +/- SEM.

(C) Left panel: γ H2AX foci in G1 82-6 cells treated with siArtemis and/or siCtIP. Cells were transfected with GFP, GFP-CtIP-wt, a phospho-mimic (GFP-CtIP-S327E) or a non-phosphorylatable mutant (GFP-CtIP-S327A) and foci were analyzed in GFP⁺ G1 cells. Right panel: IF images showing similar transfection efficiencies for the various CtIP constructs. Mean +/- SEM.

Figure S7. Related to Figure 7

(A) Flow cytometry analysis of HeLa cells growing exponentially or 18 h after release from a double thymidine block, showing synchronization in G1 phase.

(B) Flow cytometry analysis of HeLa cells 24 h after transfection with GFP-CtIP constructs. The cell cycle distribution shows G1 synchronisation of the GFP⁺ cells.

(C) Speculative model for processing of resection intermediates: Ku translocates inwards and restricts the extent of resection by Exo1 or Mre11 exonuclease/ EXD2. The ssDNA tail is captured by the ssDNA channel of DNA-PKcs generating a hairpin-like structure which is cleaved by Artemis bound to DNA-PKcs (arrows indicate potential cleavage sites). In this model Artemis is required for processing of trapped resection intermediates and subsequent formation of ssDNA. pRPA foci arise when cleavage results in a ssDNA tail long enough for RPA binding (estimated to be >20 bp). DNA-PKcs may either remain loosely bound to Ku80 during the entire process or may attach to the ss/dsDNA transition at the resected end after Ku translocation but before cleavage by Artemis.

Amount	siCtrl + I-Scel	Size of	Size of
N=33		deletion	Insertion
6 x	С А С G G А A G G A A T T A C C C T G <mark>T T A T</mark> C C C T A T	0	0
1 x	С А С G G A A G G A A T T A C C C T G <mark>T T</mark> С С С Т A T	2	0
1 x	САС G G A A G G A A T T A C C C T <mark>А Т</mark> С С С Т А Т	3	0
1 x	С А С G G A A G G A A T T A Т G <mark>Т Т А Т</mark> С С С Т А Т	3	4
1 x	САС G G А A G G A A T T A C C C T G С С С Т А Т	4	0
1 x	С А С	4	0
1 x	С А С G G A A G G A A T T A C C C T G <mark>T T</mark> А T	6	0
2 x	С А С G G A A G G A A T T A <mark>Т С С С Т А</mark> Т	8	0
6 x	САС G G А A G G A A T T A C C C T А T	9	0
1 x	C A C G G A A G G A A T T A T	14	2
1 x	САС G G А А G G С С Т А Т	15	6
1 x	САСТАТ	23	7
1 x	С G С Т - [-] С Т А Т	34	0
1 x	С G С Т - [-] С Т А Т	34	3
1 x	G C G C - [-] T A T	36	0
1 x	C A C G [-] - C C A T	42	0
1 x	A G A G - [-] [-] - T C A C	44	10
1 x	СТ G G - [-] [-] - СТА G	46	13
1 x	A A T A - [-] T	73	0
1 x	С А <mark>С G</mark> [-] - А G С Т	109	0
1 x	САСББА[-]- БСТБ	266	2
1 x	СТТG-[-][-]-СGGТ	517	0

Table S1. Sequence analysis of end-joining events after Lig1/3 depletion, related to Figure 3	

Amount n=25	siLig1/3 + I-Scel	Size of deletion	Size of insertion
5 x	С А С G G А A G G A A T T A C C C T G <mark>T T A T</mark> C C C T A T	0	0
1 x	С А С G G А A G G A A T T A C C C T - <mark>Т T A T</mark> C C C T A T	1	0
1 x	С А С G G А A G G A A T T A C C C T - <mark>Т Т А Т</mark> С С С Т А Т	1	13
1 x	САС G G A A G G A A T T A C C C T <mark>А Т</mark> C C C T A T	3	0
2 x	САС G G A A G G A A T T A <mark>- <mark>Т</mark> С С С Т А Т</mark>	8	0
1 x	С А С G G A A G G A A T T <mark>А Т</mark> С С С Т А Т	8	0
1 x	САС G G A A G G A A T <mark>А Т</mark> С С С Т А Т	9	0
1 x	САС G G A A G G A A T T A C C C T G T - [-] - С Т A G	9	0
2 x	САС G G А A G G A A T T A C C C T А T	9	0
1 x	САС G G A A G G A A	11	0
1 x	САС G G A A G G A A T T A C C С Т A Т	13	3
1 x	САСББААБ <mark>БА</mark>	24	0

1 x	С	А	С	G	G	А	А	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	[-]	-	т	С	А	С	34	0
1 x	т	А	G	А	-	[-]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	[-]	-	т	А	т	G	38	0
1 x	G	С	т	Α	-	[-]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	т	42	0
1 x	т	G	G	С	-	[-]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	[-]	-	С	А	Т	G	63	0
1 x	С	С	А	т	-	[-]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Α	т	174	0
1 x	С	А	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	[-]	-	G	С	т	G	281	0
1 x	С	А	С	G	G	А	А	G	G	Α	Α	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	[-]	-	С	т	G	С	342	0

Sequence analysis of GC92 wt and siLig1/3-treated cells. The 18 nucleotide long I-Scel recognition sequence is in **bold**, the characteristic I-Scel cutting site is labeled **yellow**, and microhomologies are labeled **red**. All sequences are arranged according to their siRNA treatment and to the size of their deletion. Some sequences contained inserted nucleotides in their deleted region.

List of Insertions

siCtrl

D=3; I=4 : TTCA

D=14; I=2 : CA

D=15; I=6 : GTAATT

D=23; I=7 : AGCTGTT

D=34; I=3 : TGG

D=44; I=10 : CACAACACGG

D=46; I=13 : GTAAGCTTACAAG

D=266; I=2 : CA

siLig1/3

D=1; I=13 : AGCTAGATATGAA

D=13; I=3 : TAT

Table S2. List of sequence-based reagents used in this study, related to Star Methods

Sequence-Based Reagents

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siRNA targeting sequence: human 53BP1:	Qiagen	N/A
AGA ACG AGG AGA CGG UAA UAG UGG G	2.290.1	
siRNA targeting sequence: human 53BP1:	Dharmacon	N/A
GAG AGC AGA TGA TCC TTT A		
siRNA targeting sequence: human Artemis:	Qiagen	N/A
AAC TGA AGA GAG CTA GAA CAG		
siRNA targeting sequence: mouse Artemis:	Qiagen	N/A
AAG GAT CAC ATG AAA GGA TTA		
siRNA targeting sequence: human BLM:	Qiagen	N/A
AAG CTA GGA GTC TGC GTG CGA		
siRNA targeting sequence: human Brca1:	Qiagen	N/A
AAT CAC AGT GTC CTT TAT GTA		
siRNA targeting sequence: human CtIP1:	Qiagen	N/A
ΤΟΟ ΑΟΑ ΑΟΑ ΤΑΑ ΤΟΟ ΤΑΑ ΤΑΑ	5	
siRNA targeting sequence: human CtIP2:	Qiagen	N/A
AAG CTA AAA CAG GAA CGA ATC		
siRNA targeting sequence: human DNA2:	Qiagen	N/A
AAA TAG CCA GTA GTA TTC GAT		
siRNA targeting sequence: human DNA-PKcs:	Qiagen	N/A
CTC GTG TAT TAC AGA AGG AAA	-	
siRNA targeting sequence: human EXD2: smart pool	Dharmacon	N/A
siRNA targeting sequence: human Exo1:	Qiagen	N/A
CAA GCC TAT TCT CGT ATT TTT	5	
siRNA targeting sequence: human Ku70:	Qiagen	N/A
GGA AGA GAT AGT TTG ATT TTT	-	
siRNA targeting sequence: human Ku80:	Qiagen	N/A
AAG ACA GAC ACC CTT GAA GAC	_	
siRNA targeting sequence: human Lig1:	Qiagen	N/A
GGC ATG ATC CTG AAG CAG A		
siRNA targeting sequence: human Lig3:	Qiagen	N/A
CCA CAA AAA AAA TCG AGG A		
siRNA targeting sequence: human Lig4:	Qiagen	N/A
CAA GAT GTT TAC AGA AAG GAA		
siRNA targeting sequence: human Plk3:	Qiagen	N/A
CTG CAT CAA GCA GGT TCA CTA		
siRNA targeting sequence: control:	Qiagen	N/A
AAT TCT CCG AAC GTG TCA CGT		
Artemis gRNA sequence:	This paper	N/A
GAG ACT TCA GAT TGG CGC A		
GAG CCC GTA CCA TGT TGT G		
PCR primer sequence: CMV2:	This paper	Eurofins
ATA TAT GGA GTT CCG CGT TAC AT		
PCR primer sequence: CD4int:	This paper	Eurofins
GCT GCC CCA GAA TCT TCC TCT		

SiRNA targeting sequences used for protein downregulation, gRNA sequences used for generation of CRISPR/Cas9 knockout and PCR primer sequences used for sequence analysis.