## **Supporting Information**

## Title: It takes two (Las1 HEPN endoribonuclease domains) to cut RNA correctly

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Running Title: Las1 requires dual HEPN nuclease domains

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**Fig. S1.** *In vivo* assay for complementation of *S. cerevisiae LAS1* over a temperature range. The *S. cerevisiae tet-LAS1/Myc-GRC3* strain was transformed with plasmids encoding Flag-Las1 RHxhTH variants (see Table S2). Serial dilutions were spotted on YPD in the absence (-DOX) and presence (+DOX) of 40 µg/ml doxycycline and incubated at 37°C, 34°C, 30°C, 25°C and 16°C for 2-6 days.



**Fig. S2.** Las1 RHxhTH variants retain their association to Grc3. (*A*) RT-PCR of the parent (CML476) and tet (*tet-LAS1/Myc-GRC3*) yeast strains with primers specific for *LAS1*. (*B*) Transformed *S. cerevisiae tet-LAS1/Myc-GRC3* strains were grown to mid-log phase at 30°C in the presence of 40 µg/ml doxycycline. Cells were lysed and equal amounts of whole cell lysate were separated by SDS-PAGE and analyzed by western blotting with anti-Flag (Las1), anti-Myc (Grc3) and anti-tubulin (loading control). IB is an abbreviation for immunoblotting. (*C*) SDS-PAGE analysis of purified recombinant ScRNase PNK complex comprised of full length Grc3 and Las1 RHxhTH variants. (*D*) Gel filtration of ScRNase PNK variants containing Las1 RHxhTH missense mutants. Wild-type RNase PNK (black) was previously shown to form a hetero-tetramer (23) and has the same retention volume as the recombinant ScRNase PNK variants. This suggests that the ScRNase PNK variants maintain higher-order assembly. (*E*) Extracted total RNA (250 ng) from transformed *tet-LAS1/Myc-GRC3* strains were analyzed using a bioanalyzer to monitor the levels of mature 25S/18S rRNA. (*F*) Quantification of mature rRNA (25S + 18S) (bottom). The average and standard deviation were calculated from three technical replicates. n.s. not significant, \**P* < 0.005, \*\**P* < 0.007, and \*\*\**P* < 0.0007 were calculated by two-tailed Student's *t* tests.



**Fig. S3.** Functional *S. cerevisiae* RNase PNK chimera for *in vitro* assays. (*A*) Gel filtration and SDS-PAGE analysis of full length ScRNase PNK (FL; black), composed of Las1 and Grc3, and chimeric ScRNase PNK (WT-WT'; gray), comprised of Las1 HEPN-HEPN', Las1 LCT and Grc3. White asterisk marks a Grc3 degradation product. Chimeric ScRNase PNK has a similar retention volume to the full length complex suggesting the chimera maintains its higher-order assembly despite lacking its CC domain. (*B*) Denaturing urea gels of reactions containing chimeric ScRNase PNK variants (0-3.2  $\mu$ M) encoding missense mutations to the Las1 RHxhTH motif. Protein variants were incubated with C2 RNA substrate (50 nM) for 1 hour at 37°C. RNA defines reactions set in the absence of protein and black asterisks marks the accumulation of a non-specific band that is dependent on the presence of active RNase PNK complex and a 3'-fluorescent label.



**Fig. S4.** Identification of off-target RNA products using mass spectrometry. (*A-B*) Spectra by LC-ESI-MS of C2 RNA substrate incubated in the (*A*) absence and (*B*) presence of chimeric RNase PNK containing Las1<sup>WT-H6N'</sup>. RNA (10  $\mu$ M) was incubated in the absence and presence of protein (13  $\mu$ M) for 30 minutes at 37°C. Observed ions of *m*/*z* 8560 is indicative of the uncut C2 RNA substrate. Whereas ions of *m*/*z* 8525.3 and 6034.8 correspond to 5'- and 3'-RNA fragments, respectively, produced following cleavage at an off-target site (C2(-1); red arrowhead) between U139 and A140 of the *S. cerevisiae* ITS2. The 8-nucleotide 5'-fragment (magenta) harbors a 2',3'-cyclic phosphate and the 19-nucleotide 3'-fragment (brown) contains a 5'-hydroxyl end confirming the ScLas1<sup>WT-H6N'</sup> variant is responsible for the off-target RNA hydrolysis.



**Fig. S5.** TEV cleaved RNase PNK chimeras. (*A*) SDS-PAGE analysis of purified ScRNase PNK (WT+WT'), composed of Las1 (1-179 aa; 468-502 aa) and Grc3, chimeric ScRNase PNK (WT-WT'), comprised of Las1 HEPN-HEPN', Las1 LCT and Grc3, and TEV cleaved ScRNase PNK variants (WT|WT'). (B) Representative denaturing urea gels of reactions containing chimeric ScRNase PNK variants (0-3.2  $\mu$ M) encoding missense mutations to the Las1 RHxhTH motif. Protein variants were incubated with C2 RNA substrate (50 nM) for 1 hour at 37°C. The specific activity calculated from three biological replicates is shown below each gel.

Plasmid	Variant	LASI	Vector	Source	
pMP580	ScLas1	WT; residues 1-502, 3x N-terminal FLAG Tag YCplac33		(26)	
pMP600	ScLas1 <sup>RIE</sup>	R129E; residues 1-502, 3x N-terminal FLAG Tag	YCplac33	This study	
pMP648	ScLas1 <sup>RIK</sup>	R129K; residues 1-502, 3x N-terminal FLAG Tag YCplac33 Th		This study	
pMP632	ScLas1 <sup>H2N</sup>	H130N; residues 1-502, 3x N-terminal FLAG Tag	H130N; residues 1-502, 3x N-terminal FLAG Tag YCplac33		
pMP631	ScLas1 <sup>H2D</sup>	H130D; residues 1-502, 3x N-terminal FLAG Tag YCplac33		This study	
pMP654	ScLas1 <sup>H2R</sup>	H130R; residues 1-502, 3x N-terminal FLAG Tag	YCplac33	This study	
pMP601	ScLas1 <sup>W3F</sup>	W131F; residues 1-502, 3x N-terminal FLAG Tag	YCplac33	This study	
pMP602	ScLas1 <sup>W3L</sup>	W131L; residues 1-502, 3x N-terminal FLAG Tag	YCplac33	This study	
pMP603	ScLas1 <sup>G4A</sup>	G132A; residues 1-502, 3x N-terminal FLAG Tag YCplac33		This study	
pMP590	ScLas1 <sup>T5S</sup>	T133S; residues 1-502, 3x N-terminal FLAG TagYCplac33		This study	
pMP656	ScLas1 <sup>T5A</sup>	T133A; residues 1-502, 3x N-terminal FLAG TagYCplac33		This study	
pMP591	ScLas1 <sup>H6A</sup>	H134A; residues 1-502, 3x N-terminal FLAG Tag YCplac33 This		This study	
pMP649	ScLas1 <sup>H6N</sup>	H134N; residues 1-502, 3x N-terminal FLAG Tag	YCplac33	This study	

Table S1. Yeast plasmids used in this study

Table S2. Yeast strains used and constructed in this study

Strain	rain Genotype		
CML476	<i>MATα</i> ; ura3-52; leu2Δ1; his3Δ200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'- SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa	EUROSCARF	
tet-LAS1	<i>tet-LAS1</i> $MAT\alpha$ ; ura3-52; leu2 $\Delta$ 1; his3 $\Delta$ 200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'-SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa; kanMX:tetO <sub>7</sub> :LAS1		
tet-LAS1 + pMP580	<i>MATα</i> ; ura3-52; leu2Δ1; his3Δ200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'- SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa; kanMX:tetO <sub>7</sub> : <i>LAS1</i> ; <i>pMP</i> 580 (3xFlag-LAS1; WT)	This Study	
tet-LAS1 + ycplac33	<i>MATα</i> ; ura3-52; leu2Δ1; his3Δ200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'- SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa; kanMX:tetO <sub>7</sub> : <i>LAS1</i> ; <i>ycplac33 (empty</i> <i>vector)</i>	This Study	
tet-LAS1/Myc- GRC3 (yMP125)	<i>MATα</i> ; ura3-52; leu2Δ1; his3Δ200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'- SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa; kanMX:tetO <sub>7</sub> : <i>LAS1</i> ; trp1:3xMyc: <i>GRC3</i>	(26)	
tet-LAS1/Myc- GRC3 + pMP580	<i>MATα</i> ; ura3-52; leu2Δ1; his3Δ200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'- SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa; kanMX:tetO <sub>7</sub> : <i>LAS1</i> ; trp1:3xMyc: <i>GRC3</i> ; <i>pMP 580 (3xFlag-LAS1; WT)</i>	(26)	
tet-LAS1/Myc- GRC3 + ycplac33	<i>MATα</i> ; ura3-52; leu2Δ1; his3Δ200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'- SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa; kanMX:tetO <sub>7</sub> : <i>LAS1</i> ; trp1:3xMyc: <i>GRC3</i> ; ycplac33 (empty vector)	(26)	
tet-LAS1/Myc- GRC3 + pMP600	<i>MATα</i> ; ura3-52; leu2Δ1; his3Δ200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'- SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa; kanMX:tetO <sub>7</sub> : <i>LAS1</i> ; trp1:3xMyc: <i>GRC3</i> ; <i>pMP 600 (3xFlag-LAS1; R129E)</i>	This Study	
tet-LAS1/Myc- GRC3 + pMP648	<i>MATα</i> ; ura3-52; leu2Δ1; his3Δ200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'- SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa; kanMX:tetO <sub>7</sub> : <i>LAS1</i> ; trp1:3xMyc: <i>GRC3</i> ; <i>pMP 648 (3xFlag-LAS1</i> ; R129K)	This Study	
tet-LAS1/Myc- GRC3 + pMP632	<i>MATα</i> ; ura3-52; leu2Δ1; his3Δ200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'- SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa; kanMX:tetO <sub>7</sub> : <i>LAS1</i> ; trp1:3xMyc: <i>GRC3</i> ; <i>pMP 632 (3xFlag-LAS1;</i> H130N)	This Study	
tet-LAS1/Myc- GRC3 + pMP631	<i>MATα</i> ; ura3-52; leu2Δ1; his3Δ200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'- SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa; kanMX:tetO <sub>7</sub> : <i>LAS1</i> ; trp1:3xMyc: <i>GRC3</i> ; <i>pMP 631 (3xFlag-LAS1;</i> H130D)	This Study	
tet-LAS1/Myc- GRC3 + pMP654	<i>MATα</i> ; ura3-52; leu2Δ1; his3Δ200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'- SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa; kanMX:tetO <sub>7</sub> : <i>LAS1</i> ; trp1:3xMyc: <i>GRC3</i> ; <i>pMP 654 (3xFlag-LAS1</i> ; H130R)	This Study	
tet-LAS1/Myc- GRC3 + pMP601	<i>MATα</i> ; ura3-52; leu2Δ1; his3Δ200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'- SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa; kanMX:tetO <sub>7</sub> : <i>LAS1</i> ; trp1:3xMyc: <i>GRC3</i> ; <i>pMP 601 (3xFlag-LAS1</i> ; W131F)	This Study	
tet-LAS1/Myc- GRC3 + pMP602	<i>MATα</i> ; ura3-52; leu2Δ1; his3Δ200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'- SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa; kanMX:tetO <sub>7</sub> : <i>LAS1</i> ; trp1:3xMyc: <i>GRC3</i> ; <i>pMP 602 (3xFlag-LAS1;</i> W131L)	This Study	
tet-LAS1/Myc- GRC3 + pMP603	<i>MATα</i> ; ura3-52; leu2Δ1; his3Δ200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'- SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa; kanMX:tetO <sub>7</sub> : <i>LAS1</i> ; trp1:3xMyc: <i>GRC3</i> ; <i>pMP 603 (3xFlag-LAS1; G132A)</i>	This Study	

tet-LAS1/Myc-	$MAT\alpha$ ; ura3-52; leu2 $\Delta$ 1; his3 $\Delta$ 200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'-	
GRC3	SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa; kanMX:tetO7: LAS1;	This Study
+ <i>pMP590</i>	trp1:3xMyc:GRC3; pMP 590 (3xFlag-LAS1; T133S)	
tet-LAS1/Myc-	$MAT\alpha$ ; ura3-52; leu2 $\Delta$ 1; his3 $\Delta$ 200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'-	
GRC3	SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa; kanMX:tetO7: LAS1;	This Study
+ pMP656	trp1:3xMyc:GRC3; pMP 656 (3xFlag-LAS1; T133A)	
tet-LAS1/Myc-	$MAT\alpha$ ; ura3-52; leu2 $\Delta$ 1; his3 $\Delta$ 200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'-	
GRC3	SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa; kanMX:tetO7: LASI;	This Study
+ <i>pMP591</i>	trp1:3xMyc:GRC3; pMP 591 (3xFlag-LAS1; H134A)	
tet-LAS1/Myc-	$MAT\alpha$ ; ura3-52; leu2 $\Delta$ 1; his3 $\Delta$ 200; GAL2; CMVp(tetR'-	
GRC3	SSN6)::LEU2; trp1::tTa; kanMX:tetO7: LASI;	This Study
+ <i>pMP649</i>	trp1:3xMyc:GRC3; pMP 649 (3xFlag-LAS1; H134N)	

Plasmid	Variant	GRC3	LASI	Vector	Source
pMP001	ScLas1-Grc3	1-632 aa	1-502 aa	pST39	(23)
pMP538	ScLas1 <sup>R1E</sup> -Grc3	1-632 aa	1-502 aa; R129E	pST39	This Study
pMP593	ScLas1 <sup>R1K</sup> -Grc3	1-632 aa	1-502 aa; R129K	pST39	This Study
pMP531	ScLas1 <sup>H2N</sup> -Grc3	1-632 aa	1-502 aa; H130N	pST39	This Study
pMP530	ScLas1 <sup>H2R</sup> -Grc3	1-632 aa	1-502 aa; H130R	pST39	This Study
pMP594	ScLas1 <sup>H2D</sup> -Grc3	1-632 aa	1-502 aa; H130D	pST39	This Study
pMP629	ScLas1 <sup>W3F</sup> -Grc3	1-632 aa	1-502 aa; W131F	pST39	This Study
pMP628	ScLas1 <sup>W3L</sup> -Grc3	1-632 aa	1-502 aa; W131L	pST39	This Study
pMP541	ScLas1 <sup>G4A</sup> -Grc3	1-632 aa	1-502 aa; G132A	pST39	This Study
pMP517	ScLas1 <sup>T5S</sup> -Grc3	1-632 aa	1-502 aa; T133S	pST39	This Study
pMP595	ScLas1 <sup>T5A</sup> -Grc3	1-632 aa	1-502 aa; T133A	pST39	This Study
pMP539	ScLas1 <sup>H6A</sup> -Grc3	1-632 aa	1-502 aa; H134A	pST39	This Study
pMP592	ScLas1 <sup>H6N</sup> -Grc3	1-632 aa	1-502 aa; H134N	pST39	This Study
pMP673	ScLas1 <sup>WT-WT'+LCT</sup> -Grc3	1-632 aa	HEPN-HEPN': 1-179 aa, 2x GGGGS linker, 1-185 aa + LCT: 469-502 aa	pST39	This Study
pMP681	ScLas1 <sup>WT-H6A'+LCT</sup> - Grc3	1-632 aa	HEPN-HEPN': 1-179 aa, 2x GGGGS linker, 1-185 aa (H134A) + LCT: 469-502 aa	pST39	This Study
pMP682	ScLas1 <sup>WT-H6N'+LCT</sup> - Grc3	1-632 aa	HEPN-HEPN': 1-179 aa, 2x GGGGS linker, 1-185 aa (H134N) + LCT: 469-502 aa	pST39	This Study
pMP683	ScLas1 <sup>WT-R1E'+LCT</sup> -Grc3	1-632 aa	HEPN-HEPN': 1-179 aa, 2x GGGGS linker, 1-185 aa (R129E) + LCT: 469-502 aa	pST39	This Study
pMP684	ScLas1 <sup>WT-R1K'+LCT</sup> - Grc3	1-632 aa	HEPN-HEPN': 1-179 aa, 2x GGGGS linker, 1-185 aa (R129K) + LCT: 469-502 aa	pST39	This Study
pMP691	ScLas1 <sup>R1E-H6A'+LCT</sup> - Grc3	1-632 aa	HEPN-HEPN': 1-179 aa (R129E), 2x GGGGS linker, 1- 185 aa (H134A) + LCT: 469- 502 aa	pST39	This Study
pMP697	ScLas1 <sup>R1E,H6A-WT'+LCT</sup> - Grc3	1-632 aa	HEPN-HEPN': 1-179 aa (R129E, H134A), 2x GGGGS	pST39	This Study

Table S3. E. coli expression plasmids used and constructed in this study

			linker, 1-185 aa + LCT: 469-502		
			aa		
pMP695	ScLas1 <sup>H6A-H64A'+LCT</sup> - Grc3	1-632 aa	HEPN-HEPN': 1-179 aa (H134A), 2x GGGGS linker, 1- 185 aa (H134A) + LCT: 469- 502 aa	pST39	This Study
pMP301	ScLas1-Grc3	1-632 aa	1-179 aa; 469-502 aa	pST39	(23)
pMP773	ScLas1 <sup>WT-WT'+LCT</sup> -Grc3	1-632 aa	HEPN-HEPN': 1-179 aa, GGGGS-TEV-GGGS linker, 1- 185 aa + LCT: 469-502 aa	pST39	This Study
pMP774	ScLas1 <sup>WT-R1K'+LCT</sup> - Grc3	1-632 aa	HEPN-HEPN(R1K)': 1-179 aa, GGGGS-TEV-GGGS linker, 1- 185 aa + LCT: 469-502 aa	pST39	This Study
pMP775	ScLas1 <sup>WT-H6A'+LCT</sup> - Grc3	1-632 aa	HEPN-HEPN(H6A)': 1-179 aa, GGGGS-TEV-GGGS linker, 1- 185 aa + LCT: 469-502 aa	pST39	This Study
pMP776	ScLas1 <sup>WT-H6N'+LCT</sup> - Grc3	1-632 aa	HEPN-HEPN(H6N)': 1-179 aa, GGGGS-TEV-GGGS linker, 1- 185 aa + LCT: 469-502 aa	pST39	This Study
pMP777	ScLas1 <sup>WT-R1G'+LCT</sup> - Grc3	1-632 aa	HEPN-HEPN(R1G)': 1-179 aa, GGGGS-TEV-GGGS linker, 1- 185 aa + LCT: 469-502 aa	pST39	This Study
pMP778	ScLas1 <sup>WT-H6G'+LCT</sup> - Grc3	1-632 aa	HEPN-HEPN(H6G)': 1-179 aa, GGGGS-TEV-GGGS linker, 1- 185 aa + LCT: 469-502 aa	pST39	This Study
pMP779	ScLas1 <sup>H6A-H6A'+LCT</sup> - Grc3	1-632 aa	HEPN(H6A)-HEPN(H6A)': 1- 179 aa, GGGGS-TEV-GGGS linker, 1-185 aa + LCT: 469-502 aa	pST39	This Study
pMP780	ScLas1 <sup>R1E-H6A'+LCT</sup> - Grc3	1-632 aa	HEPN(R1E)-HEPN(H6A)': 1- 179 aa, GGGGS-TEV-GGGS linker, 1-185 aa + LCT: 469-502 aa	pST39	This Study
pMP781	ScLas1 <sup>R1E-H6A'+LCT</sup> - Grc3	1-632 aa	HEPN(R1E H6A)-HEPN': 1- 179 aa, GGGGS-TEV-GGGS linker, 1-185 aa + LCT: 469-502 aa	pST39	This Study
pMP782	ScLas1 <sup>R1E-WT'+LCT</sup> -Grc3	1-632 aa	HEPN(R1E)-HEPN': 1-179 aa, GGGGS-TEV-GGGS linker, 1- 185 aa + LCT: 469-502 aa	pST39	This Study

## Table S4. RT-PCR Primers

Primer	Sequence
Las1RT1Fwd	5' TGGAAGCGACTTAGAAACGAG 3'
Las1RTT1Rev	5' CTTGCGTGTGAACTTTTCCTC 3'
Tfc1RTFwd	5' GCTGGCACTCATATCTTATCGTTTCACAATGG 3'
Tfc1RTRev	5' GAACCTGCTGTCAATACCGCCTGGAG 3'