

Supplementary Materials for

Transcriptional suppression of ribosomal DNA with phase separation

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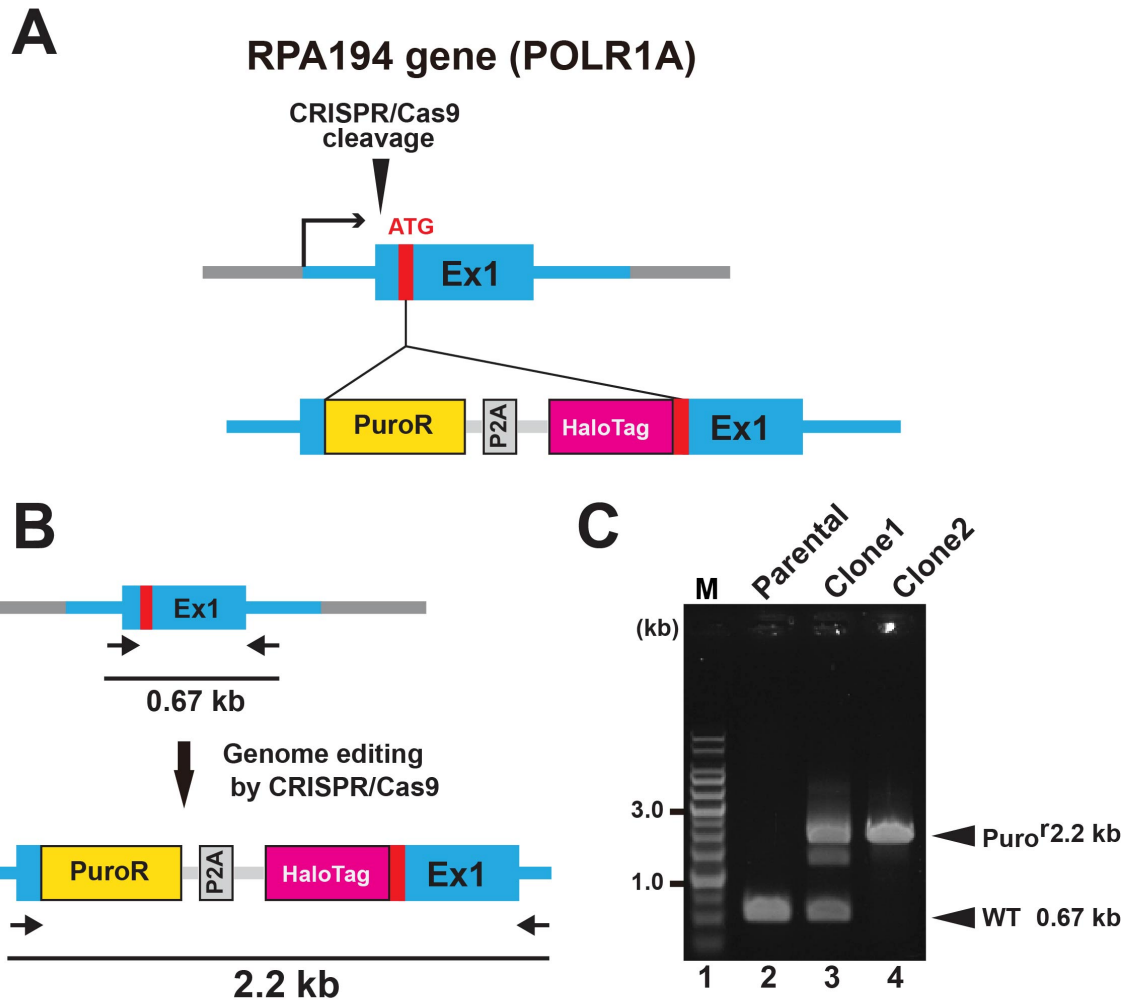


fig. S1

Figure S1. Knock-in of HaloTag-RPA194 through genome editing. (A) Diagram of CRISPR/Cas9-mediated homologous recombination for inserting an antibiotic resistance gene and HaloTag at the N-terminus of the RPA194 gene. The genomic sequence used in the donor plasmid homologous arms is shown in blue. PuroR, puromycin resistant gene; P2A, ribosomal skipping signal. (B) Genotyping using polymerase chain reaction (PCR) to detect tagging of RPA194 with HaloTag. Expected PCR products and the primers used are shown. After HaloTag integration at the N-terminus of the RPA194 locus, PCR was expected to produce a 2.2-kb product from Clones 1 and 2, and a 0.67-kb product from the parental cells and Clone 1. (C) Result of agarose gel electrophoresis of the PCR products from genomic DNA. M, 1-kb ladder marker.

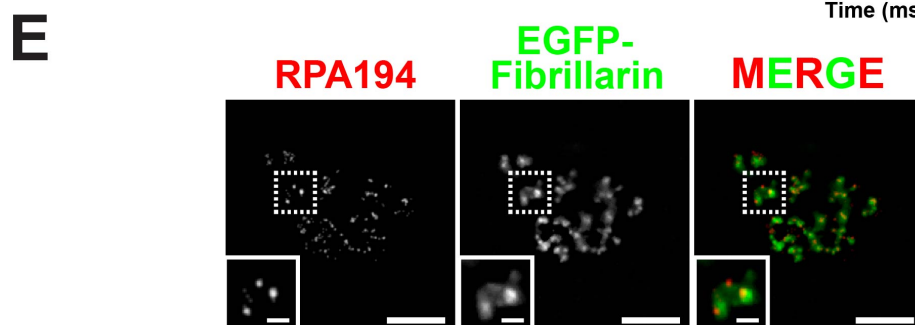
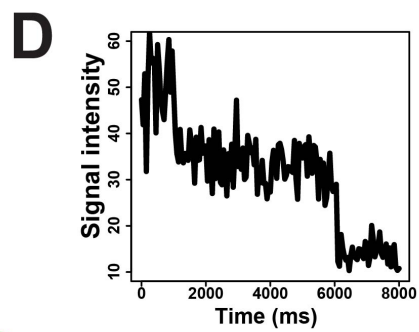
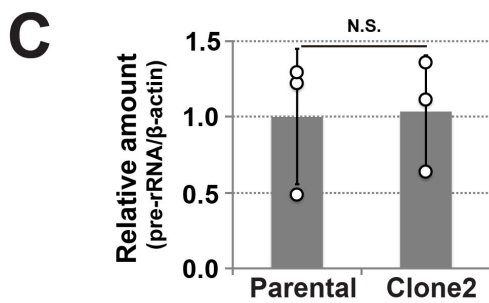
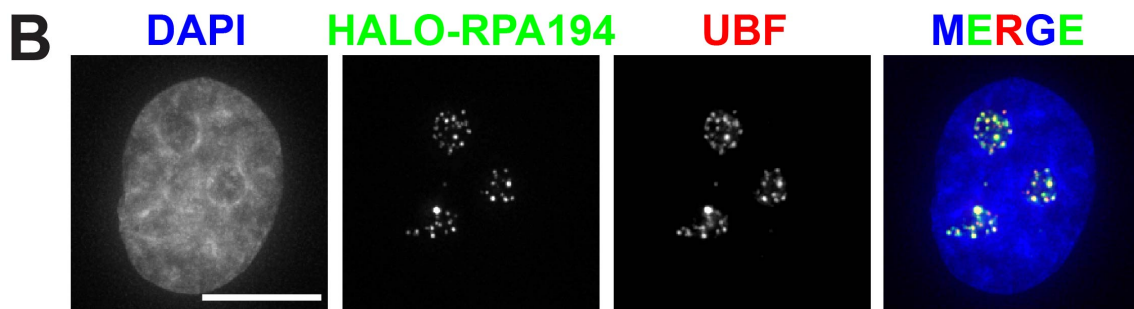
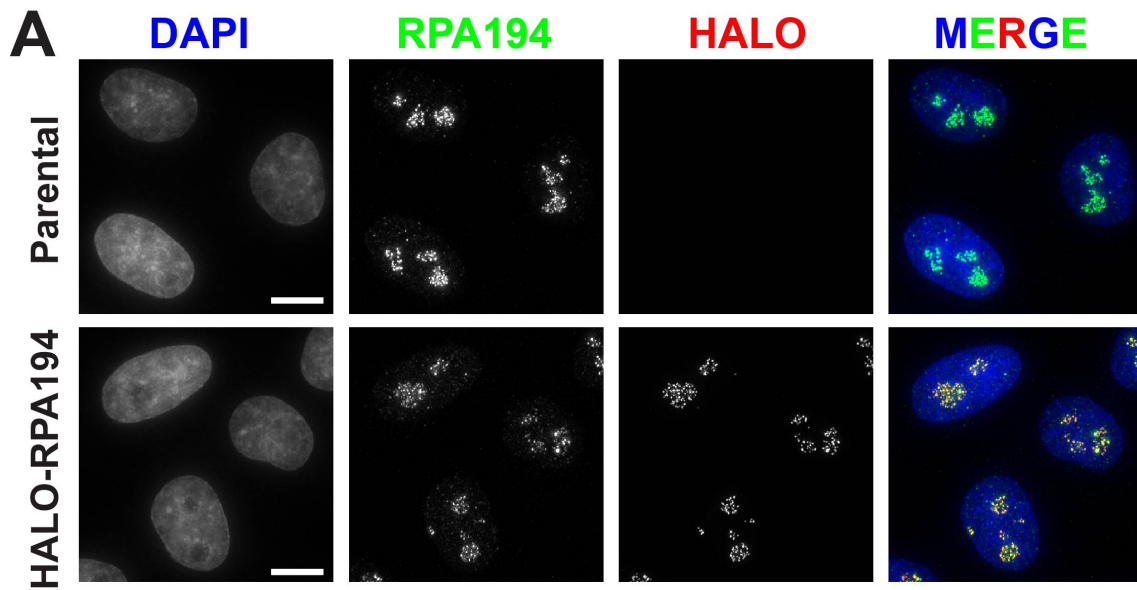


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Figure S2. HaloTag-labeled RPA194 foci in the Clone 2 cell.

(A) Immunostaining of RPA194 and simultaneous fluorescent labeling of RPA194 with an excess amount of the TMR-HaloTag ligand. Scale bar, 10 μm . (B) Immunostaining of upstream binding factor (UBF) and simultaneous fluorescent labeling of RPA194 with an excess amount of the TMR-HaloTag ligand. Scale bar, 10 μm . (C) Pre-rRNA synthesis levels in parental HeLa cells and Clone 2. We assayed 47S pre-rRNA levels using quantitative PCR (qPCR) and normalized the data to β -actin mRNA levels. Error bars represent standard deviation calculated from three independent experiments. NS, no significance; $P > 0.9$, two-tailed unpaired Student's *t*-test. (D) An exceptional example of two-step photobleaching of the HaloTag-RPA194 dot. (E) Simultaneous visualization of HaloTag-RPA194 (red) and EGFP-fibrillarin (green) in a live cell. Note that HaloTag-RPA194 was fluorescently labeled with an excess amount of the HaloTag ligand TMR. Scale bars, 5 μm . Insets show enlarged images of the boxed region. Scale bars, 2 μm .

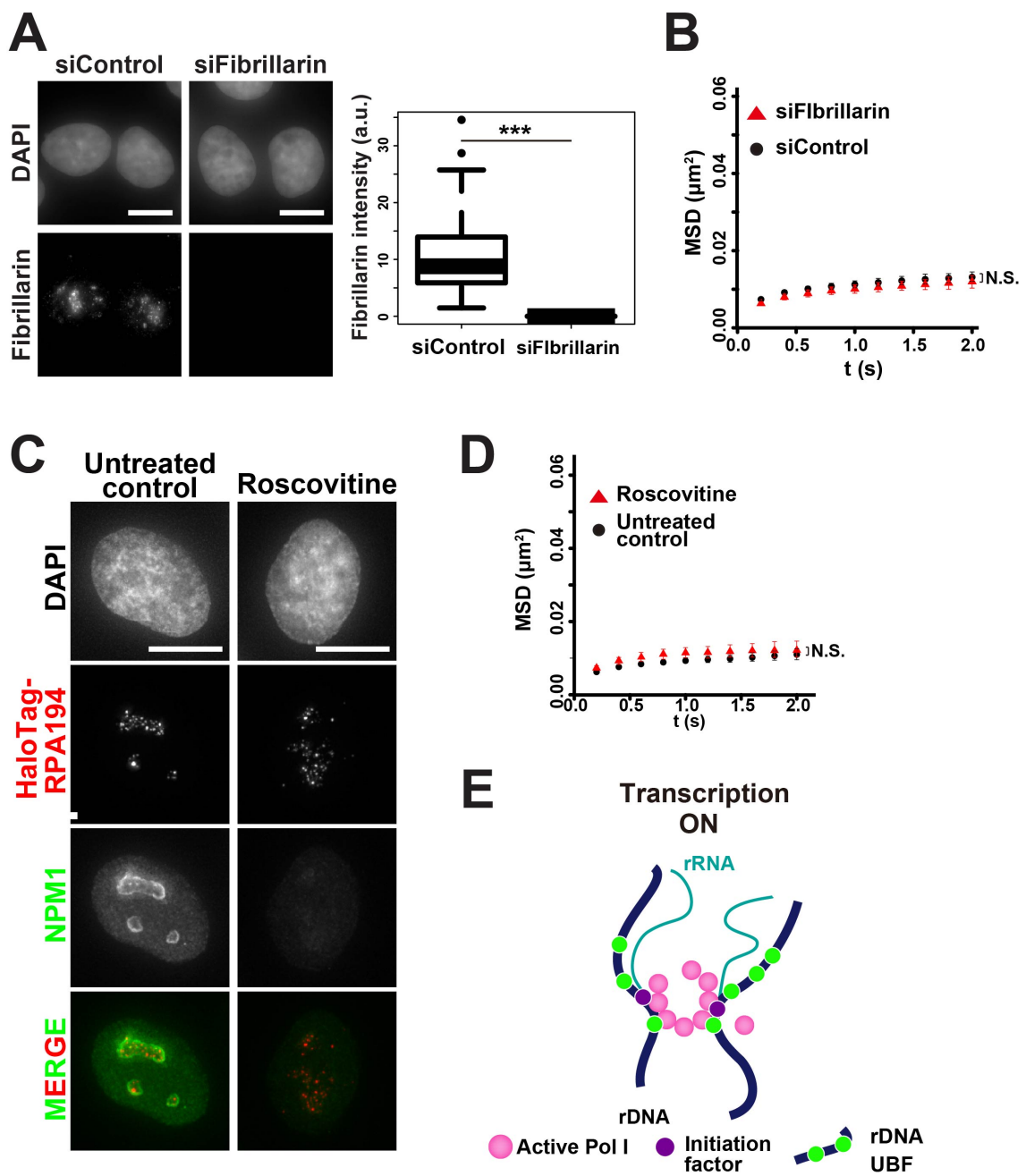


fig. S3

Figure S3. Dynamics of Pol I following inhibition of post-transcriptional rRNA maturation. (Left, A) knockdown (KD) of fibrillarin by small interfering RNA (siRNA). Cells were transfected with siRNA for non-target control (siControl) or fibrillarin (siFibrillarin) and incubated for 60 h. KD efficiency was confirmed via fibrillarin immunostaining. **(Right, A)** quantification of the signal intensity of fibrillarin foci in siControl- (siControl, n = 86) and siFibrillarin-transfected cells (siFibrillarin, n = 85). Scale bars, 10 μ m. Median values were compared using the Wilcoxon rank sum test (**P < 0.001). **(B)** MSD plots of HaloTag-RPA194 in siControl- (black) and siFibrillarin- (red) transfected cells. **(C)** Localization of TMR-Halo-RPA194 labeled with excess amounts of TMR and nucleophosmin (NPM1) in roscovitine-treated cells. NPM1 was detected using an antibody. No prominent effects of Halo-RPA194 localization were observed in roscovitine-treated cells. Scale bar, 10 μ m. **(D)** MSD plots of HaloTag-RPA194 in roscovitine-treated (red) and control (black) cells. **(E)** Active Pol I molecules form a stable cluster/condensate for transcription of rRNA genes (rDNA), thus constraining rDNA chromatin.

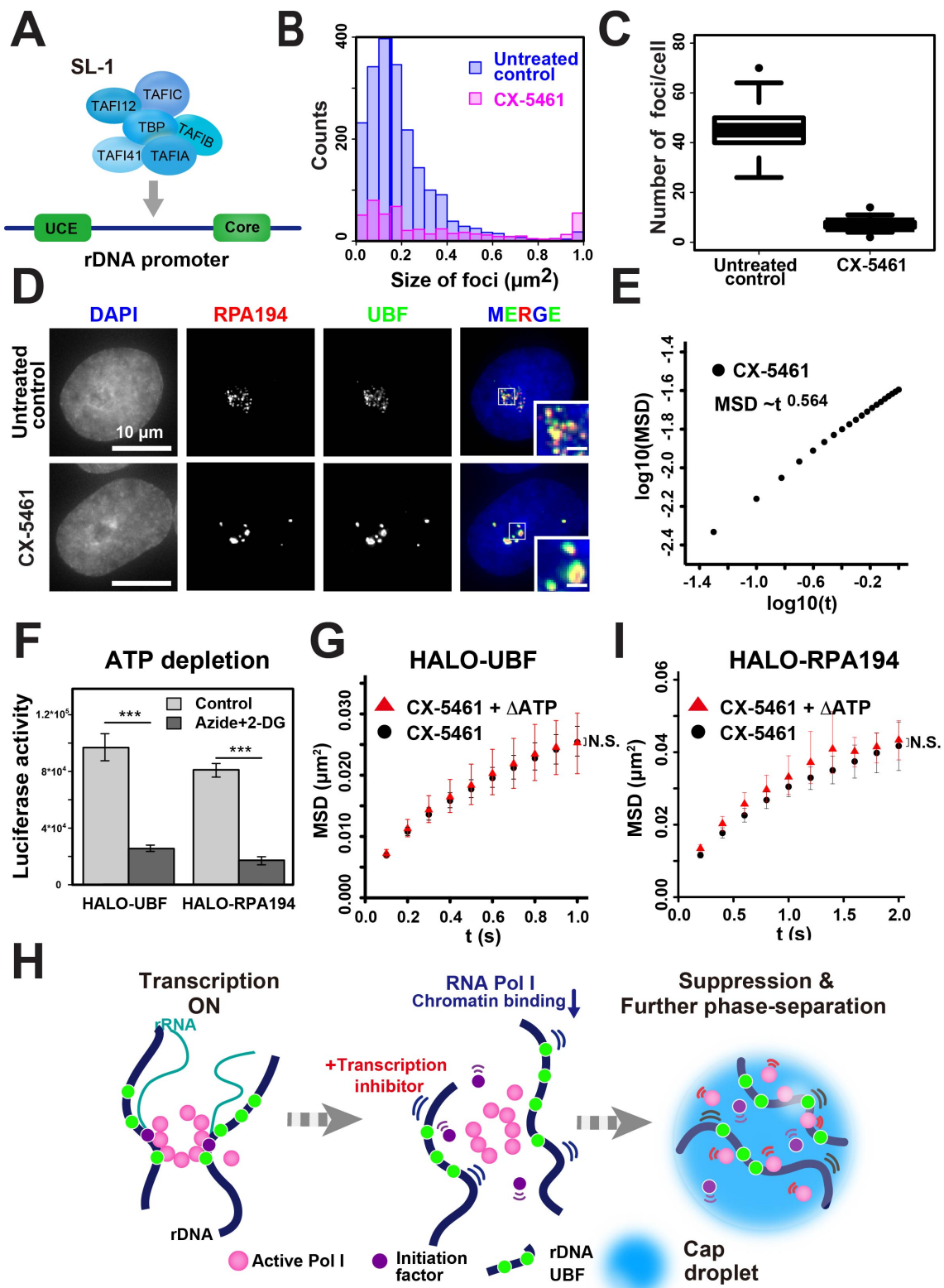


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Figure S4. Dynamics of Pol I following transcription inhibitor treatment.

(A) Diagram of the SL-1 complex binding to the rDNA promoter. **(B)** Focus size distribution of TMR-HaloTag-RPA194 in Clone 2 cells with and without CX-5461 treatment. **(C)** The number of TMR-HaloTag-RPA194 foci in Clone 2 cells with and without CX-5461 treatment. **(D)** Localization of fluorescently labeled HaloTag-RPA194 and UBF in an untreated control HeLa cell (first row) and a cell treated with CX-5461 (second row) determined via immunostaining. First column, DAPI staining; second column, TMR-HaloTag-RPA194; third column, UBF; fourth column, merged images. Scale bars, 10 μm . Insets show enlarged images of regions indicated with boxes. Scale bars, 1 μm . **(E)** Log-log plot of UBF MSD with transcription inhibitor treatment (see Figure 2D). **(F)** Verification of ATP depletion based on luciferase activity, showing successful reduction of intracellular ATP levels in HeLa cells expressing HaloTag-RPA194 (right) and HaloTag-UBF (left) treated with sodium azide and 2-deoxy-glucose. *** $P < 0.001$, two-sided unpaired Student's *t*-test (error bars \pm SD) for the control versus drug-treated cells expressing HALO-RPA194 ($P = 2.3 \times 10^{-4}$) and HALO-UBF ($P = 3.8 \times 10^{-5}$). **(G)** MSD plots of HaloTag-UBF chromatin in ATP-depleted cells following CX-5461 treatment with 95% CIs. CX-5461-treated cells were incubated with (red, $n = 21$ cells) or without (black, $n = 19$ cells) 50 mM 2-deoxyglucose and 10 mM sodium azide for 30 min. N.S., not significant; $P = 0.96$. **(Center, H)** After transcription inhibition, the Pol I cluster/condensate detaches from chromatin, thereby releasing the chromatin constraint. **(Right)** Pol I behaves like a liquid in the nucleolar cap through phase separation. **(I)** MSD plots of HaloTag-RPA194 molecules in ATP-depleted cells following CX-5461 treatment. CX-5461-treated cells were incubated with (red, $n = 21$ cells) or without (black, $n = 19$ cells) 50 mM 2-deoxyglucose and 10 mM sodium azide for 30 min. Data are plotted with 95% CIs. N.S., not significant; $P = 0.35$.

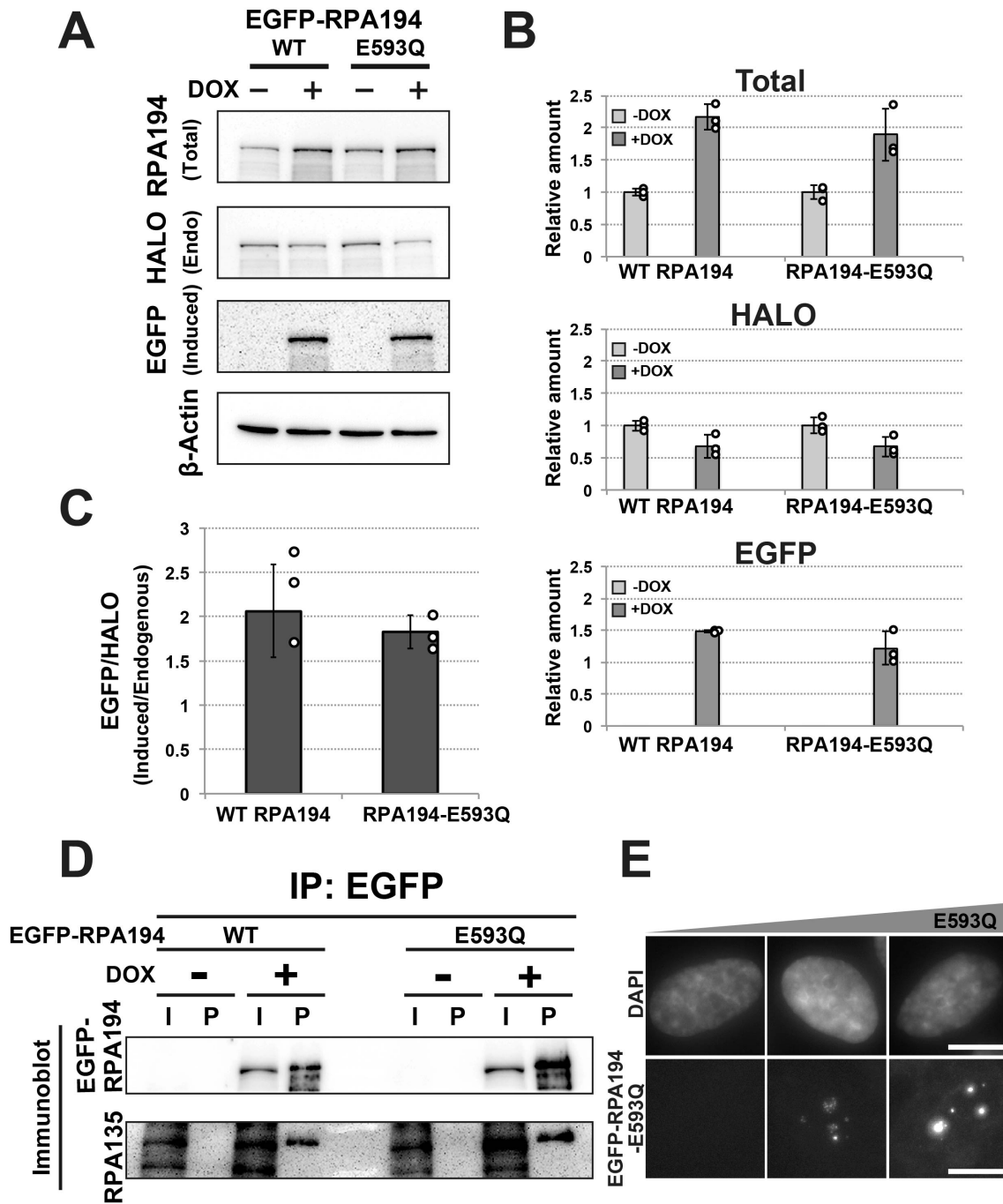


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Figure S5. Expression of RPA194-E593Q and comparison with endogenous RPA194.

(A) Immunoblotting to quantify amounts of endogenous HaloTag-RPA194 and induced EGFP-RPA194. Total RPA194, HaloTag-RPA194, EGFP-RPA194, and β -actin were detected using anti-RPA194, anti-HaloTag, anti-GFP, and anti- β -actin antibodies, respectively. (B) Quantification of protein levels of total RPA194, endogenous HaloTag-RPA194, and induced EGFP-RPA194 and RPA194 E593Q. The intensity of each blot signal in (A) was normalized to that of β -actin. (C) The ratio of induced EGFP-RPA194 (and EGFP-RPA194-E593Q) to endogenous HaloTag-RPA194 was calculated from (B). The induced EGFP-RPA194 level was approximately two-fold greater than that of endogenous HaloTag-RPA194. (D) Co-immunoprecipitation of the two largest subunits in the mutant Pol I complex, RPA135 and EGFP-RPA194-E593Q. Extracts of cells expressing EGFP-RPA194 (WT) and EGFP-RPA194-E593Q (E593Q) were immunoprecipitated using the anti-green fluorescent protein (GFP) antibody. We subjected 5% of the input fraction (I) and pulldown fraction (P) to immunoblotting of EGFP-RPA194 and RPA135. (E) Distribution change of EGFP-RPA194-E593Q upon increase of its expression. Scale bars, 10 μ m.

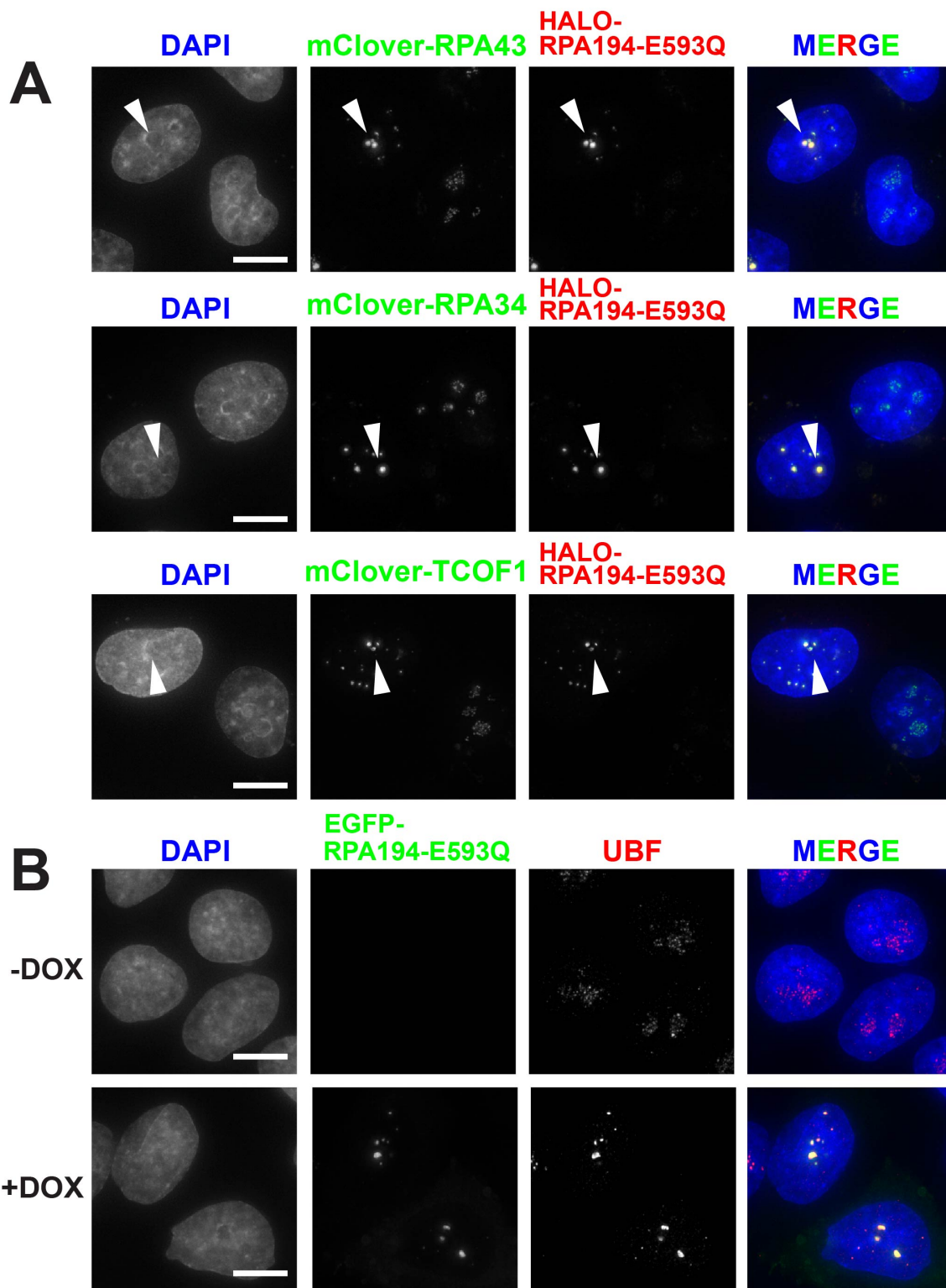


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Figure S6. Nucleolar cap components in cells expressing EGFP-RPA194-E593Q.

(A) Images of endogenous mClover-RPA43 (first row), mClover-RPA34 (second row), and mClover-TCOF1 (third row) in cells expressing HaloTag-RPA194-E593Q. Note that HaloTag-RPA194-E593Q was fluorescently labeled with an excess amount of the HaloTag ligand TMR. First column, DAPI staining; second column, mClover signals; third column, HaloTag signals; fourth column, merged images. Arrows indicate typical nucleolar caps in cells expressing HaloTag-RPA194-E593Q. Scale bars, 10 μ m. **(B)** Localization of UBF in cells following the induction of EGFP-RPA194-E593Q. Cells were grown in the presence or absence of 2 μ g/mL doxycycline for 24 h prior to staining with DAPI and anti-UBF antibody. First column, DAPI staining; second column, EGFP-RPA194-E593Q signals; third column, UBF signals; and fourth column, merged images. Scale bars, 10 μ m.

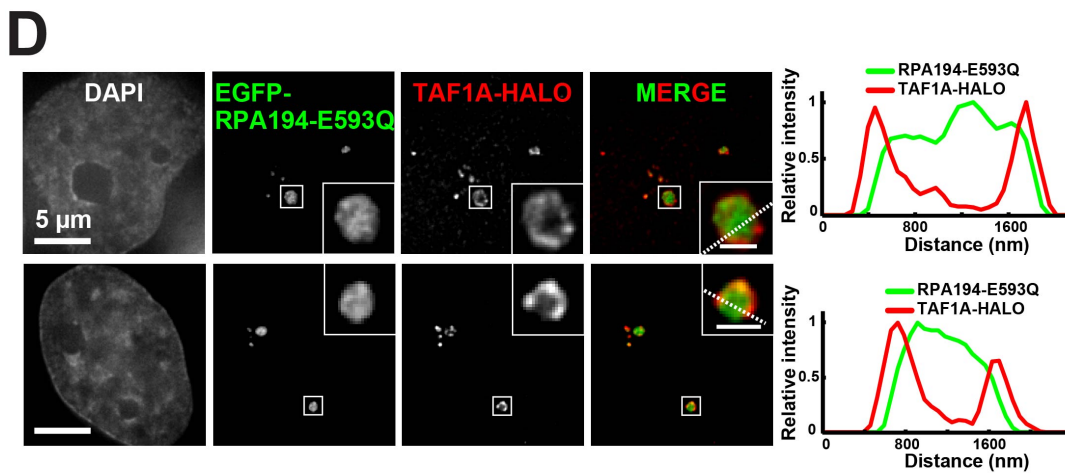
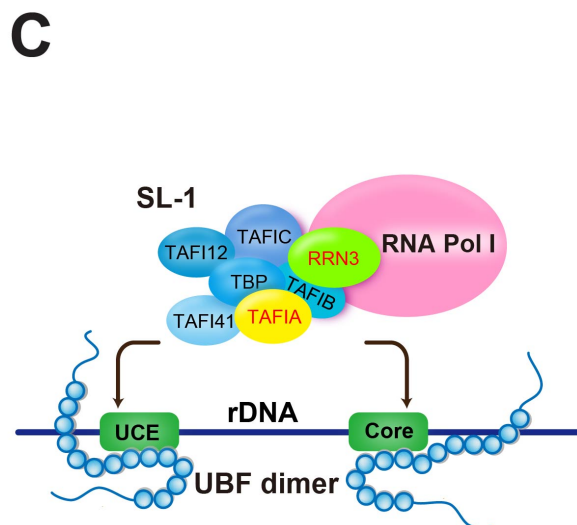
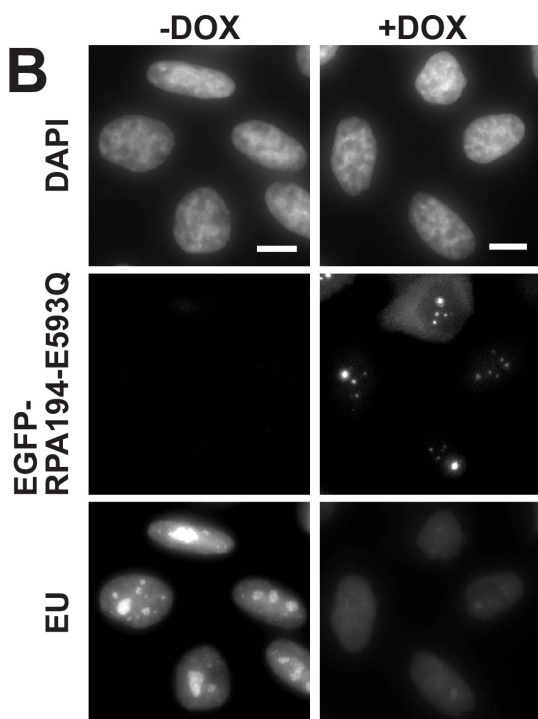
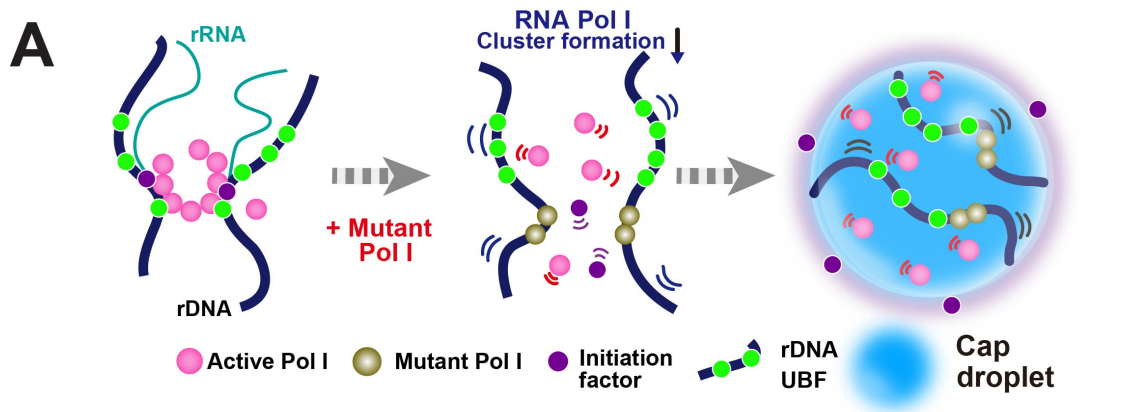


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Figure S7. Pol I mutant accumulation inhibits rRNA transcription.

(A) Mutant Pol I stably binds to rDNA chromatin and inhibits WT Pol I cluster/condensate formation. The entire Pol I population becomes mobile in the nucleolar cap. **(B)** rRNA synthesis was monitored through addition of 5-ethynyl uridine (EU) before (left column) and after induction of RPA194-E593Q (right column). The EU was conjugated with Alexa Fluor 594. Suppression of transcription was observed upon expression of EGFP-RPA194-E593Q. Scale bars, 10 μm . **(C)** Schematic diagram of the assembly of the Pol I complex at the rDNA promoter. **(Left, D)** Localization of TAF1A-HaloTag (red) in two cells transiently expressing EGFP-RPA194-E593Q. First column, DAPI staining; second column, RPA194 signals (green); third column, TAF1-HaloTag signals (red); fourth column, merged images. Scale bars, 5 μm . Insets show enlarged images of regions indicated with boxes. Scale bars, 1 μm . **(right)** Line plots showing measurements along the white dotted lines in the merged images.

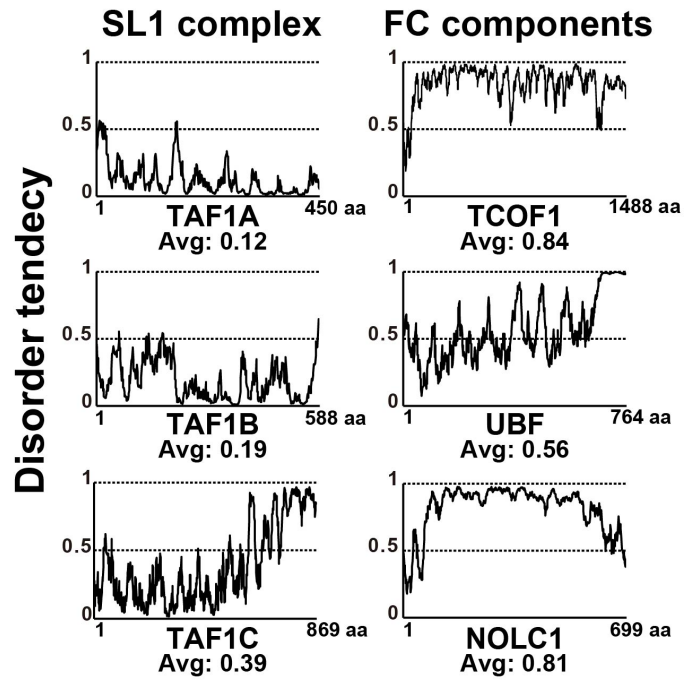
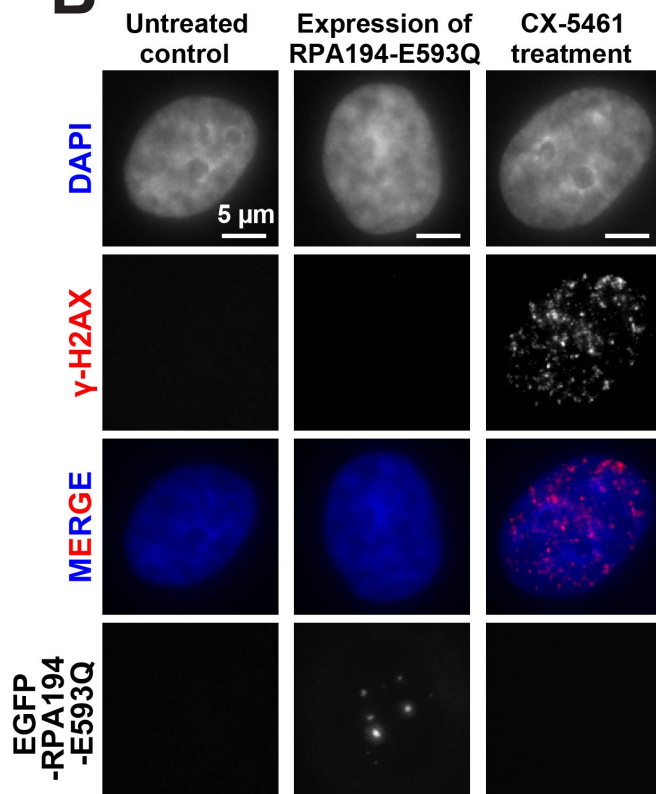
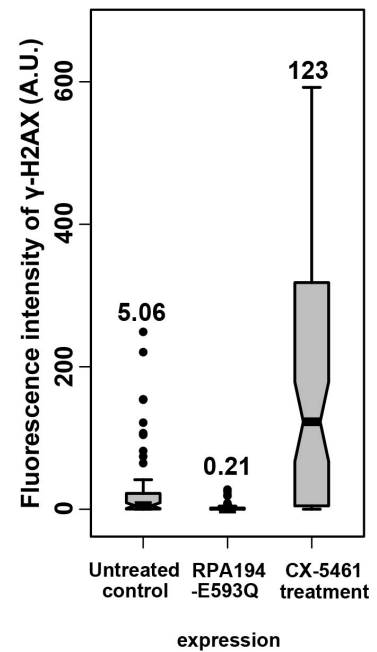
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Figure S8.

Disorder scores of initiation factors and DNA damage detection in CX-5461-

treated cells and EGFP-RPA194-E593Q-expressing cells. (A) Prediction scores of protein disorder were generated using the IUPred web server (72) and plotted against amino-acid residues for each protein. Left, three TATA-box binding protein-associated factors (TAF1A, TAF1B, and TAF1C) that form the SL1 complex. Right, three primary FC components (TCOF1, UBF, and NOLC1). The average (Avg) prediction scores associated with all full-length proteins are indicated. **(B)** γ -H2AX foci in an untreated HeLa control cell (first column), HeLa cell expressing EGFP-RPA194-E593Q for 24 h (second column) and HeLa cell treated with CX-5461 for 2 h (third column). First row, DAPI signals; second row, γ -H2AX signals; third row, merged images; fourth row, EGFP-RPA194-E593Q signals. **(C)** Boxplot of γ -H2AX fluorescence intensity in untreated control cells (control, n = 72), cells expressing RPA194-E593Q (RPA194-E593Q, n = 76), and cells treated with CX-5461(CX-5461, n = 80). The numbers above each box represent median values.

Supplementary Table S1

The numbers of trajectories obtained through single-molecule imaging and tracking.

Figure	Protein	Legend	Number of trajectories
Fig. 1H	HALO-RPA194		6667
Fig. 1I	HALO-RPA194		6667
Fig. 1K	HALO-RPA194	RPA194	10350
Fig. 1K	HALO-UBF	UBF	14440
Fig. 2C	HALO-RPA194	Untreated control	3482
Fig. 2C	HALO-RPA194	CX-5461	516
Fig. 2D	HALO-RPA194	RP194	10350
Fig. 2D	HALO-RPA194	RPA194 w/ CX-5461	3817
Fig. 2D	HALO-UBF	UBF	5278
Fig. 2D	HALO-UBF	UBF w/ CX-5461	3701
Fig. 2E	PAmCherry-RPA194	Untreated control	3860
Fig. 2E	PAmCherry-RPA194	CX-5461	4764
Fig. 2G	PAmCherry-RPA194	Untreated control	4666
Fig. 2G	PAmCherry-RPA194	CX-5461	2748
Fig. 3C	HALO-RPA194	WT RPA194	9279
Fig. 3C	HALO-RPA194-E593Q	RPA194-E593Q	7966
Fig. 3C	HALO-RPA194	WT RPA194 + CX-5461	3817
Fig. 4D	HALO-RPA194	w/o WT RPA194	14657
Fig. 4D	HALO-RPA194	w/ WT RPA194	12243
Fig. 4D	HALO-RPA194	w/o RPA194-E593Q	14172
Fig. 4D	HALO-RPA194	w/ RPA194-E593Q	4217
Fig. 4E	PAmCherry-RPA194-E593Q	RPA194-E593Q	2360
Fig. 4F	HALO-UBF	w/o RPA194-E593Q	21788
Fig. 4F	HALO-UBF	w/ RPA194-E593Q	15048
Fig. 4F	HALO-RPA194-E593Q	RPA194-E593Q	7966
fig. S3B	HALO-RPA194	siControl	19450
fig. S3B	HALO-RPA194	siFibrillarin	11903
fig. S3D	HALO-RPA194	Untreated control	11741
fig. S3D	HALO-RPA194	Roscovitine	10893
fig. S4E	HALO-UBF	CX-5461	4122
fig. S4G	HALO-UBF	CX-5461	4122
fig. S4G	HALO-UBF	CX-5461 + Δ ATP	3609
fig. S4I	HALO-RPA194	CX-5461	4468
fig. S4I	HALO-RPA194	CX-5461 + Δ ATP	5378

Supplementary Table S2.

The primers used in this study.

Primers	Sequence	Purpose
dPuromycin-Fw	ATGACCGAGTACAAGCCACGGTGC	Amplification of puromycin resistant gene
dPuromycin-Rv	CGTCTCCTGCTTGCTTTAACAGAGAGAAGTTTCG TGGCTCCGGATCCGGACCGGGCTTGC GGGTCA TG	
dHygromycin-Fw	ATGAAAAAGCCTGAACACCCGCGAC	Amplification of hygromycin resistant gene
dHygromycin-Rv	CGTCTCCTGCTTGCTTTAACAGAGAGAAGTTTCG TGGCTCCGGATCCTTCCTTGCCTCGGACGAG TG	
N-Halotag-Fw	AGCAAGCAGGAGACGTGGAAGAAAACCCGGT CCCATGGGATCCGAAATCGGTAC	Amplification of HaloTag sequence
N-Halotag-Rv	CGCCGCCACCAGATCCACCTCCACCAGATCCAC CTCCACCACCGAAATCTCCAGAGTAG	
dAID-mClover_Fw	TCTCTGTAAAGCAAGCAGGAGACGTGGAAGA AAAACCCGGTCCAAGGAGAAGAGTCTTGCTC TAAAG	Amplification of mAID-mClover sequence
dAID-mClover_Rv	CGCCGCCACCAGATCCACCTCCACCAGATCCAC CTCCACCCTGTACAGCTCGTCCATGCCATG	
dhUBF-Fw1	GCGGCCGCGGAATTCCTCCGCCCTCTCTTGG CTC	Amplification of homologous arm sequence upstream of the start codon of gene
dhUBF-Rv1	CTTGTACTCGGTCATCCTCCAGCTGTCCAGCCA CCTC	
dhUBF-Fw2	TCTGGTGGCGGGTCAATGAACGAGAAGC CGACTGC	Amplification of homologous arm sequence downstream of the start codon of gene
dhUBF-Rv2	CTCCCATATGGTCGACCTTGTCAGCCCAACTAC CCAG	
dhUBF_gRNA22-Fw	CACCGTCCAGGTCTGTGGGCAGT	Guide RNA for N-terminal tagging of UBF
dhUBF_gRNA22-Rv	AAACTGTCCACAGACCTGGAAC	
dhRPA194-Fw1	GCGGCCGCGGAATTCATAAATGCGTTGCGA ATCC	Amplification of homologous arm sequence upstream of the start codon of gene
dhRPA194-Rv1	CTTGTACTCGGTCATCCTCCAGTCCGTTTGA ATCC	
dhRPA194-Fw2	TCTGGTGGCGGGTCAATGTTGATCTCCAAG AACATGC	Amplification of homologous arm sequence downstream of the start codon of gene
dhRPA194-Rv2	CTCCCATATGGTCGACCCTTGCTACCAATGTG TCA	
dRPA194_gRNA-Fw	CACCGTGGGTGTCGGAATCAAAA	Guide RNA for N-terminal tagging of RPA194
dRPA194_gRNA-Rv	AAACTTTGAATCCGACACCCAC	
dhRPA43-Fw	GCGGCCGCGGAATCTTAAACAGGCACAAAC ACGA	Amplification of homologous arm sequence upstream of the start codon of gene
dhRPA43-Rv	TTCAGGCTTTTCATGCTGTTCAAGGTTCC CACG	
dhRPA43-Fw2	TCTGGTGGCGGGTCAATGGCTGCAGGTTGC TCAGAG	Amplification of homologous arm sequence downstream of the start codon of gene
dhRPA43-Rv2	CTCCCATATGGTCGACCAGAGCGAAATCCAACA ACA	

Supplementary Table S3.

The strains used in this study.

Cell lines	Background	Expression construct	Endogenous or Exogenous	Alleles	Publication
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HeLa S3 HaloTag-RPA194 clone2	HeLa S3 FRT-Bla	HaloTag-RPA194	Endo	Biallele	this paper
HeLa S3 HaloTag-RPA194 EGFP-Fibrillarin	HeLa S3 HaloTag-RPA194 clone2	HaloTag-RPA194, pEF1: EGFP-Fibrillarin	Exo: Not determined (FRT)		this paper
HeLa S3 PAmCherry-RPA194	HeLa S3 FRT-Bla	PAmCherry-RPA194	Endo	Monoallele	this paper
HeLa S3 HaloTag-UBF	HeLa S3 FRT-Bla	HaloTag-UBF	Endo	Biallele	this paper
HeLa S3 HaloTag-RPA194 TetOne-EGFP-RPA194	HeLa S3 HaloTag-RPA194 clone2	HaloTag-RPA194, pTet: EGFP-RPA194	Exo: AAVS1	Monoallele	this paper
HeLa S3 HaloTag-RPA194 TetOne-EGFP-RPA194-E593Q	HeLa S3 HaloTag-RPA194 clone2	HaloTag-RPA194, pTet: EGFP-RPA194-E593Q	Exo: AAVS1	Monoallele	this paper
HeLa S3 HaloTag-UBF TetOne-EGFP-RPA194-E593Q	HeLa S3 FRT-Bla HaloTag-UBF	HaloTag-UBF, pTet: EGFP-RPA194-E593Q	Exo: AAVS1	Monoallele	this paper
HeLa S3 OsTIR1	HeLa S3 FRT-Bla	pTet: OsTIR1	Exo: AAVS1		this paper
HeLa S3 mClover-RPA43	HeLa S3 FRT-Bla	mAID-mClover-RPA43	Endo	Monoallele	this paper
HeLa S3 mClover-RPA34	HeLa S3 FRT-Bla	mAID-mClover-RPA34	Endo	Monoallele	this paper
HeLa S3 mClover-TCOF1	HeLa S3 FRT-Bla	mAID-mClover-TCOF1	Endo	Monoallele	this paper
HeLa S3 TAF1A-HaloTag	HeLa S3 FRT-Bla	TAF1A-HaloTag	Endo	Monoallele	this paper
Hct116 OsTIR1	HCT116	pTet: OsTIR1	Exo: AAVS1	Biallele	Natsume et al. (ref. #52)
Hct116 mAID-mClover-RPA194	HCT116 OsTIR1	mAID-mClover-RPA194, pTet: OsTIR1	Endo	Biallele	this paper

Movie S1, related to Figures 1 and 2. Left, single HaloTag-labeled RPA194 molecules in a live HeLa cell. Nucleoli are indicated by white lines. **Right,** individual HaloTag-labeled RPA194 molecules in a live HeLa cell after treatment with the transcription inhibitor CX-5461. Nucleoli are indicated by white lines.

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