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#### **Supplemental information**

#### AHNAK controls 53BP1-mediated

#### p53 response by restraining 53BP1

#### oligomerization and phase separation

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE LEGENDS

#### Figure-S1 (related to main Figure 1)

#### **Characterization of AHNAK-53BP1 interaction**

Schematic illustrations of (A) constructs, (B) *in-vivo* tagging system used in this study. (C) Representative confocal image of U2OS cells stably expressing WT-BirA and mCherry-53BP1-MFFR-BioTag and incubated with biotin for 24 h and stained with Streptavidin (fluorescein green) and Dapi (blue). Dashed line delineates the edge of the nucleus. (D) U2OS stable cell lines expressing the constructs described in A were subjected to immunoprecipitation using Streptavidin beads, and bound complexes were analyzed by immunoblotting using Anti-mCherry antibody. (E) U2OS cells transiently transfected with GFP or AHNAK-4CRU-GFP were subjected to immunoprecipitation using GFP trap beads, and bound complexes were analyzed by immunoblotting using Anti-GFP and Anti-53BP1 antibodies. (F) Top; Schematic of cell cycle synchronization by lovastatin. Briefly, U2OS cells were synchronized in G1 by 40 µM lovastatin for 40 h and released into the medium containing 4 mM Mevalonolactone. Cell lysates from asynchronous cells or cells synchronized as above were analyzed by immunoblot using the indicated antibodies. Vinculin was used as a loading control. For verification of the cell cycle stage, cells were fixed, stained with propidium iodide and analyzed by flow cytometry as shown in bottom. (G) Soluble and insoluble fractions from U2OS cells arrested in G1 following Lovastatin treatment and released in S/G2, were subjected to western blot analysis with the specified antibodies.

#### Figure-S2 (related to main Figure 2)

#### AHNAK triggers optimal 53BP1-mediated p53 activity

(A) Schematic illustration of the human AHNAK locus and the positions of gRNAs selected for the generation of AHNAK knockout cell-lines. (B) Confirmation of AHNAK knock out by Immunoblot analysis of lysates prepared from the WT and two independent AHNAK <sup>-/-</sup> U2OS

and MCF7 cell lines using AHNAK antibody. (C) WT and two independent AHNAK<sup>-/-</sup> U2OS cell lines under unperturbed conditions were stained for  $\gamma$ -H2AX, and the nuclear signal intensity was quantified using QIBC. The solid line denotes median. A.U., arbitrary units,  $(n \ge 1)$ 8733 cells per condition). (D) Immunoblot analysis of Cell lysates prepared from WT and two independent AHNAK --- U2OS cell lines under unperturbed conditions using the indicated antibodies. Vinculin was used as a loading control. (E) Immunoblot analysis of WT and two independent AHNAK -/- MCF7 cell lines following transfection with control or 53BP1 siRNA. Cell lysates were prepared under unperturbed conditions and then analyzed by the indicated antibodies. GAPDH was used as a loading control. (F) Immunoblot analysis of U2OS cells transfected with control, AHNAK or 53BP1 siRNAs. Cell lysates were prepared from cells either untreated or exposed to ionization radiation (5 Gy, 4 h recovery). Vinculin was used as a loading control. (G) Immunoblot analysis of MCF7 cells transfected with control, AHNAK or 53BP1 siRNAs. Cell lysates were prepared under undamaged conditions. Vinculin was used as a loading control. (H) Quantification of p21 fluorescence intensity in WT and two independent AHNAK -/- MCF7 cell lines transfected with scramble or 53BP1 siRNA. The solid line denotes median. A.U., arbitrary units, (n=963). (I) Representative confocal images of subcellular localization of p21 (fluorescein green) by co-staining with EDU (red) in WT and two independent AHNAK -/- U2OS cell lines under unperturbed conditions. Dashed line delineates the edge of the nucleus. (J) Graphical representation of mean nuclear p21 intensity for dose-dependent titration of NCS (0 to 2000 ng/ml for 4 h) in WT and two independent AHNAK <sup>-/-</sup> U2OS cell lines (n >1000 cells). Each circle represents median at respective NCS concentration. (K-N) qRT-PCR analysis of p53 target genes expression in WT and two independent AHNAK -/- MCF7 cell lines transfected with control or 53BP1 siRNA. Cells were treated with DMSO or Nutlin-3 treated (4 µM 8 h). (K) CDKN1A, (L) TP5313, (M) BAX, and

(N) *BBC3. GAPDH* transcript was used for normalization, before the calculation of fold change.

#### Figure-S3 (related to main Figure 2)

# AHNAK suppresses perpetual p53 activation in both transformed and non-transformed cell lines

(A-B) Effect of Nutlin-3 on the survival of cells. WT and two independent AHNAK <sup>-/-</sup> MCF7 cell lines transfected with control or siRNA against 53BP1 were treated with 10 µM Nutlin-3 or DMSO for 18 hours. After 7 days, colonies were stained with crystal violet (A) and quantified (B). (C) MCF10A cells transfected with control or indicated siRNA. Cell lysates from untreated and NCS (100 ng/ml) treated cells, were analyzed by immunoblotting using the indicated antibodies. Vinculin was used as a loading control. (D) Quantification of mean nuclear p21 signal fluorescence intensity in individual cells of MCF10A cells transfected with control or AHNAK siRNA under unperturbed conditions. The solid line denotes median. A.U., arbitrary units, ( $n \ge 323$ , Unpaired t-test). (E) Immunoblot analysis of MCF7 cell lines using the indicated antibodies following transfection with control or indicated siRNA under unperturbed conditions. GAPDH was used as a loading control. (F) Quantification of p21 fluorescence intensity in GFP positive nuclei of WT and two independent AHNAK -/- U2OS cell lines after transient overexpression with GFP or AHNAK-4CRU-GFP. The solid line denotes median. A.U., arbitrary units, (n=228). (G-H) Effect of Nutlin-3 after overexpression of GFP or AHNAK-4CRU-GFP on the survival of MCF7 cells. Cells treated with DMSO or Nutlin-3 (10  $\mu$ M, 18 h) treated, and after 7 days, colonies were stained with crystal violet (G) and quantification (H). (I-J) Effect of Nutlin-3 (10 µM, 18 h) on MCF7 p53<sup>-/-</sup> cells survival after transfection with control or indicated siRNAs. Colonies were stained with crystal violet (I) and quantification (J)

#### **Figure-S4 (related to main Figure 4)**

#### AHNAK restrains 53BP1 accrual in the chromatin.

(A) Representative confocal images following immunostaining of 53BP1 foci (fluorescein green) in WT and two independent AHNAK -/- MCF7 cell lines under unperturbed conditions. Dashed line delineates the edge of the nucleus. (B) Quantification of integrated fluorescence intensity of 53BP1-NBs in individual cells of the indicated genotype of MCF7 cell lines. The solid line denotes median. The solid line denotes median. A.U., arbitrary units,  $(n \ge 616)$ . (C) Quantification of integrated fluorescence intensity of 53BP1-NBs in individual cells of BJ transfected with control or AHNAK siRNA under unperturbed conditions. The solid line denotes median. A.U., arbitrary units,  $(n \ge 458$ , Unpaired t-test). (D) Quantification of mean 53BP1 integrated fluorescence intensity in individual cells of MCF10A cells transfected with control or AHNAK siRNA under unperturbed conditions. The solid line denotes median. A.U., arbitrary units, ( $n \ge 958$ , Unpaired t-test). (E) WT and two independent AHNAK<sup>-/-</sup> U2OS cell lines under unperturbed conditions were stained for 53BP1, and the sum 53BP1 foci intensity was quantified in a cell cycle resolved manner using QIBC. The solid line denotes median. A.U., arbitrary units,  $(n \ge 2442 \text{ cells per condition})$ . (F) Representative images of WT and two independent AHNAK<sup>-/-</sup> U2OS cell lines treated with 4 Gy of IR and released for the indicated time points. Cells were stained for 53BP1 (fluorescein green) and DAPI (blue). (G) The sum of total 53BP1 foci intensity per cell was quantified from >2000 cells per condition by QIBC. The solid line denotes median. A.U., arbitrary units. (H) Representative images of of U2OS cells after transient transfection with GFP or AHNAK-4CRU-GFP in absence and presence of DNA damage by IR (4 Gy 4 h). (I) Quantification of sum 53BP1 foci intensity from panel (H) The solid line denotes median. A.U., arbitrary units,  $(n \ge 3757 \text{ cells per condition})$ . (J) Representative images of WT and two independent AHNAK<sup>-/-</sup> U2OS cell lines pre incubated with 10 µM ATMi (KU 55933) and 5 µM ATRi (AZD 6738) for 1 h and immunostained with

53BP1. Dashed line delineates the edge of the nucleus. **(K)** Quantification of integrated fluorescence intensity of 53BP1-NBs in individual cells as in **(J)**. The solid line denotes median. A.U., arbitrary units,  $(n \ge 152)$ . **(L)** Quantification of mean  $\gamma$ -H2AX nuclear fluorescence intensity in individual cells after indicated siRNA-mediated depletion in U2OS cells. The solid line denotes median. A.U., arbitrary units,  $(n \ge 851)$ . **(M)** Representative confocal images after pre-extraction of soluble protein in U2OS cells co-immunostained for 53BP1 (fluorescein green) and p53 (red) after indicated siRNA-mediated depletion. Dashed line delineates the edge of the nucleus. **(N)** Quantification of mean chromatin-bound p53 fluorescence intensity in individual cells after indicated siRNA-mediated depletion after preextraction in U2OS cells. The solid line denotes median. A.U., arbitrary units, (n=429).

#### Figure-S5. (related to main Figure 5)

# Enhanced 53BP1 phase-separation in absence of AHNAK is responsible for mounting p53 response

(A) Representative confocal images following immunostaining of 53BP1 foci (fluorescein green) in WT and two independent AHNAK<sup>-/-</sup> U2OS cell lines under unperturbed conditions. Dashed line delineates the edge of the nucleus. (B) Quantification of the area of 53BP1-NBs in WT and two independent AHNAK <sup>-/-</sup> U2OS cell lines. The solid line indicates the median. A.U., arbitrary units, (n=297 53BP1-NBs). (C) Immunoblot analysis of chromatin fractions from WT and two independent AHNAK<sup>-/-</sup> U2OS cell lines. LaminA was used as a loading control for chromatin fractions. (D) Following DMSO or 1,6-hexanediol (1% for 4 h) treatment of WT and two independent AHNAK<sup>-/-</sup> U2OS cell lines, cell lysates were subjected to western blot analysis with indicated antibodies. Vinculin was used as a loading control. (E) Schematic illustration of the tethering system. (F) Co-localization of GFP-LacI-53BP1 with HA-53BP1(red) on the LacO array in U2OS19 cells after transfection with indicated siRNA. The

white numbers represent % of cells which exert colocalization of the indicated protein with the lacO array. (G) WT MCF7 and  $\Delta$ 53BP1-MCF7 cells were transiently transfected with strep tagged AHNAK-4CRU plasmid. After pulldown with Strep-Tactin beads, co-precipitated 53BP1 and p53 were detected by immunoblotting as indicated. (H) WT MCF7 and  $\Delta$ 53BP1-MCF7 cells under unperturbed conditions were transiently transfected with mCherry-53BP1 MFFR-BioTag. After pulldown with streptavidin beads, co-precipitated AHNAK and p53 were detected by immunoblotting as indicated.

#### Figure-S6

# Model depicting AHNAK involvement in optimizing p53 responses by restraining 53BP1 phase separation

#### Table S1 (Related to STAR Methods)

**Primers for cloning** 

Primers for	Forward Primer	Reverse Primer
plasmid		
constructions		
53BP1-Tudor	CGAATGCATCTAGATATCGGAT	GCAGGCCTCTGCAGTCGACG
(1271-1771 aa)	CCCGGTCTCGGAACATGGAGG	GGCCCGGTCTCTTGCTCCTT
	AGACTGAAGAGCCAATTGTAG	CACCGGTGTTGTCTCCACTC
	AGTG	TCACAGGGGC
53BP1-MFFR	CGAATGCATCTAGATATCGGAT	GCAGGCCTCTGCAGTCGACG
(1220-1771 aa)	CCCGGTCTCGGAACATGCAGG	GGCCCGGTCTCTTGCTCCTT
	GAGAA	CACCGGTGTTGTCTCCA
	GAAGAG	
53BP1-MFFR-	CGAATGCATCTAGATATCGGAT	GCAGGCCTCTGCAGTCGACG
BRCT	CCCGGTCTCGGAACATGCAGG	GGCCCGGTCTCTTGCTCCGT
(1220-1972 aa)	GAGAAGAAGAGTTTGATATGC	GAGAAACATAATCGTGTTTA
	CTCAG	TATTTTGGA

 Table S2 (Related to STAR Methods)

Sequence of CRISPR-Cas9 guide-RNAs (gRNAs) and primer pairs used to generate

AHNAK knockout in all the cell lines used in this study.

gRNA for KO	Sequence	Forward Primer	<b>Reverse Primer</b>
AHNAK-	AGAACAGAGCTCT	AAAGAAGACAAACC	AAAGAAGACTTAAA
pGH-212	AGTCATG	TAGAACAGAGCTCT	CCATGACTAGAGCT
		AGTCATGGTTTAAG	CTGTTCTAGGTTTGT
		TCTTCTTT	CTTCTTT
AHNAK-	AGGGCCCAGTCAT	AAAGAAGACAAACC	AAAGAAGACTTAAA
pGH-213	TATCCTG	TAGGGCCCAGTCAT	CCAGGATAATGACT
		TATCCTGGTTTAAGT	GGGCCCTAGGTTTG
		CTTCTTT	TCTTCTTT

Table S3 (Related to STAR Methods)

Sequences of primer	pairs used t	for RT-qPCR in	this study.
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Primers	Forward Primer	Reverse Primer
for qPCR		
CDKN1A	CCTCATCCCGTGTTCTCCTTT	GTACCACCCAGCGGACAAGT
<i>(p21)</i>		
BAX	CCTTTTCTACTTTGCCAGCAAAC	GAGGCCGTCCCAACCAC
BBC3	CCTGGAGGGTCCTGTACAATCT	GCACCTAATTGGGCTCCATCT
(PUMA)		
<i>TP53I3</i>	AGGGTGAAGTCCTCCTGAAGGT	GTGGGTCATACTGGCCTTGTCT
AHNAK	ATGCTCCAGGGCTCAACCT	CGTGCCCCAACGTTAAGCTT
TP53BP1	CTCTGCCCATGCCTCACAA	ACCTCCCAGCACTGACAATA
GAPDH	CGAAGTTGGTGTAGGGTTTGACT	AGGTCGGTGTGAACGGATTTG
$\beta$ -ACTIN	CGCGAGAAGATGACCCAGA	GGGCATACCCCTCGTAGAT

Data S1 Uncropped WB images (Related to Figure 1, 2, 4, 5, S1, S2, S3 and S5)

### **Related to Figure 1C**



### **Related to Figure 1D**

AHNAK





#### **Related to Figure 1F**



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#### **Related to Figure 1G**

AHNAK



250

mCherry-53BP1 MFFR-BioTag



### **Related to Figure 1H**



#### mCherry-53BP1 MFFR-BioTag



### **Related to Figure 1I**



p53



#### mCherry-53BP1 MFFR-BioTag



### **Related to Figure1J**



# Related to Figure 1K







## **Related to Figure 2A**



### **Related to Figure 2I**



### **Related to Figure 2K**



#### **Related to Figure 2L**



### **Related to Figure 2M**



## **Related to Figure 4C**



### **Related to Figure 4H**



#### **Related to Figure 4I**



Strip placed on input samples with high exposure





### **Related to Figure 5I**



## **Related to Figure S1D**



#### **Related to Figure S1E**



### **Related to Figure S1F**



#### **Related to Figure S1G**

#### **Soluble Fraction**





## **Related to Figure S2B**



### **Related to Figure S2D**



### **Related to Figure S2E**



#### **Related to Figure S2F**



**Related to Figure S2G** 



### **Related to Figure S3C**



### **Related to Figure S3E**



**Related to Figure S5C** 



**Related to Figure S5D** 



### **Related to Figure S5G**



### **Related to Figure S5H**

