

Fig. S1. Analysis of BIR kinetics and repair products. A, BIR kinetics revealed by pulsed-field gel electrophoresis (PFGE) for indicated cells. The BIR product is indicated by the arrow**.** B, Southern blot analysis of BIR kinetics for the WT and mutant cells. *ADE1* was used as probe. C-D, PFGE and Southern blot analysis of recombination products from Ade⁺ , NAT^R Leu- colonies of *rtt105Δ* cells. ***** denotes recombination events associated with the rearrangement of the recipient chromosome.

Fig. S2

Fig. S2. Analysis of BIR repair. A, Model showing the H-0 BIR system(intra chromosome BIR). B, Southern blot analysis of BIR kinetics for the WT and mutant cells in the H-0 system. Samples were collected 0, 1, and 6 hr after DSB induction. *MATa* was used as probe. C. Plot showing the quantification of BIR repair efficiency in B. Repair efficiency at 6 hr after DSB induction was calculated as the percentage of normalized pixel intensity of the BIR product band at 6 hrs compared to the normalized parental bands at 0 hr. D, Table showing repair outcomes for the WT or *rtt105-EL2A* cells in the allelic BIR strains (AM1003 background). GC: gene conversion, HCO: half-crossover. Loss: chromosome loss. Cells cultured in the preinduction liquid media were plated on YEP-Galactose media to induce DSBs. Colonies formed were replica plated on Leu- or Ade- dropout media. The frequency for each category of repair outcome was calculated based on the percentage of colonies carrying markers specific for each repair outcome.

Fig. S3. Rtt105 promotes the DNA damage response and recovery. A, Analysis of chromosome integrity by PFGE. Cells were collected at different time points during the recovery from short MMS treatment (0.03%, 1hr). B, DNA damage sensitivity test for indicated strains at indicated drug concentrations.

Mutation spectrum for CanR colonies derived from WT cells

Mutation spectrum for CanR colonies derived from *rtt105Δ* **cells**

Mutation spectrum for CanR colonies derived from *rtt105***-***EL2A* **cells**

Mutation spectrum for CanR colonies derived from *rfa1-V106A* **cells**

Fig. S4. Mutation spectrum of the *CAN1* **gene for indicated yeast strains.** CanR isolates were randomly picked and sequenced for the *CAN1* gene. Base substitution, deletion, insertion and duplication events are marked. Arrows mark the positions where large deletion events occurred. The exact positions and lengths of deleted or duplicated sequences are indicated. The deleted sequences are marked in red, while the duplicated sequences are marked in blue and underlined. The numbers in brackets represent the frequency of observation of the same event.

Fig. S5. Table listing the duplication or deletion events occurred between short repeats. The deleted or duplicated sequences are marked in red, while the flanking short homologies are marked in gray shadow. The GC content of the DNA sequences between the repeats are indicated. The sizes for the duplication, deletion or micro-homologies are indicated.

Fig. S6. The deletion of *RTT105* **does not affect DSB resection or the protein levels of RPA and Rad51.** A-B, Southern blot analysis and quantification of resection kinetics at indicated locations for the WT and *rtt105Δ* cells. Samples were collected at indicated time points after DSB induction. C, Western blot analysis of protein levels for RPA or Rad51 in the WT or *rtt105Δ* cells. D, ChIP analysis of Rad52- 3xFLAG recruitment in WT or *rtt105Δ* cells. Error bar represents standard deviation from three independent experiments. ** *p* <0.01 (*t*-test).

Fig. S7. Fusion of the NLS to the N-terminal of Rfa1 restores RPA nuclear localization in *rtt105Δ* **cells.** The plot shows the percentage of cells with normal RPA nuclear localization in indicated strains.

Fig. S8

Fig. S8. Rtt105 interacts with Rfa1 and stimulates dynamic ScRPA assembly on ssDNA. A. GST pull-down assay showing the interaction between GST-Rfa1 and 6xHis-Rtt105 or 6xHis-rtt05-EL2A. The position of residues E171 and L172 that are required to mediate the Rtt105-RPA interaction is indicated. B. Immunoprecipitation showing the interaction between Rfa1-3xHA and WT or mutant Rtt105-3xFLAG proteins in indicated strains. C. EMSA showing the effect of Rtt105 on ScRPA binding on ssDNA. 20nM ssDNA (30nt) and 50 nM of 6xHis-Rtt105 were used for the experiment. D. Quantitation of the RPA-bound ssDNA in C. E. Monitoring the kinetics of RPA assembly on ssDNA in real-time by single-molecule twister analysis. F. Single-molecule twister analysis showing that neither the WT or mutant Rtt105 protein interacts with naked ssDNA. G. Rtt105 stimulates the assembly of ScRPA with ssDNA. The ScRPA-ssDNA filaments were assembled with ScRPA (50nM) with or without WT or mutant Rtt105 proteins (20nM). H. Plot showing the calculated binding curve (dark lines) overlaid to the curves monitored by MT. I. Plot showing the K_{on} value of ScRPA binding on ssDNA in the absence or presence of Rtt105 or rtt105-EL2A. Error bar means standard deviation from at least three independent experiments. * *p* <0.05 ** *p* <0.01 (*t*-test).

Fig. S9. Rtt105 interacts with human RPA and *E.coli* **SSB and stimulates their assemblies on ssDNA**. A. GST pull-down assay showing the interaction between GST-Rtt105 and 6xHis-hRPA70. B*.* GST pull-down assay indicating the interaction between 6xHis-Rtt105 and GST-ScRfa1 or GST-SSB. GST-tagged proteins were stained by Coomassie blue. C*.* Rtt105 (20nM) stimulates the assembly of hRPA (100nM) with ssDNA. D. Rtt105 (1nM) stimulates the assembly of SSB(1nM) with ssDNA.

Supplementary Table 1. Yeast strains

*SI Appendix***, Materials and Methods**

Yeast strains and plasmids

Strains used in this study are derivatives of JKM139 (*ho MATa hml::ADE1 hmr::ADE1 ade1-100 leu2-3,112 trp1::hisG' lys5 ura3-52 ade3::GAL::HO*), tGI354 (*MATa-inc arg5,6::MATa-HPH ade3::GAL::HO hmr::ADE1 hml::ADE1 ura3-52*), AM1003 (*hmlΔ::ADE1/hmlΔ::ADE3 MATa-LEU2-tel/MATα-inc hmrΔ::HPH FS2Δ::NAT/FS2 leu2/leu2-3112 thr4 ura3-52 ade3::GAL::HO ade1 met13) or* yMV80 (*ho hml ::ADE1 mata ::hisG hmr ::ADE1 his4::NatMXleu2-(XhoI- to Asp718) leu2::MATa ade3::GAL::HO ade1lys5 ura3-52 trp1*). All mutant strains were generated with standard genetic manipulation. Point mutants were confirmed by sequencing. Yeast strains used in this study are listed in Supplemental Table 1.

Fluorescence microscopy

Rfa1-YFP and Nup49-mCherry subcellular localizations in log phase yeast cells were examined using a ZEISS LSM 880 fluorescence confocal microscope carrying an Airyscan with a 63 x oil immersion objective lens and a YFP or RFP filter. Fluorescent images were captured and processed using ZEISS Blue Lite2 software. The percentage of cells with normal RPA nuclear localization were calculated from more than 200 cells.

Pulsed-field gel electrophoresis (PFGE)

Yeast growing cells (1.2 x 10⁷ cells/ml) were treated with 0.03% MMS for 30 mins and then released into fresh YPD media to allow the recovery. Cells were harvested at the indicated time points. Chromosomal DNA plugs were prepared and separated on a 1% agarose gel using the CHEF DRII apparatus (Bio-Rad, parameter settings: initial switch time: 20s, final switch time: 150s, run time: 26-28h, volts/cm: 6V/cm)). Analysis of yeast chromosome integrity by pulsed-field gel electrophoresis was carried out as described by Maringele et al (8).

Mutation rate and spectra

The rate of accumulation of CanR mutations was determined as previously described (9) . Yeast cells from single fresh colonies were plated on SC arginine- dropout plates containing 60 mg/L canavanine. Mutation rate was determined by fluctuation analysis using the median method. To determine the mutation spectra for each strain, about 100 of fresh single colonies were patched on YPD plates and incubated at 30°C overnight followed by multiple replica plating to SC arginine- dropout plates containing 60 mg/L canavanine. This will allow to isolate single mutated colonies. Over 80 of individual colonies were cultured for each strain to extract genomic DNA, which is followed by PCR amplification and sequencing of the *CAN1* gene. The mutation spectra were characterized by analyzing the obtained sequences against the *CAN1* reference sequence.

Analysis of ectopic recombination, single-strand annealing and alt-EJ

To test the viability of DSB repair by ectopic recombination or SSA, cells were cultured in the pre-induction medium (YEP-Raffinose) overnight to log phase. Cells were then diluted and plated on YEPD or YEP-Gal plates followed by incubating at 30°C for 3 to 5 days. Viability (%)= (the number of colonies grown on YEP-Gal)/(the number of colonies grown on YEPD x dilution fold) x 100%. At least three independent experiments were performed for each strain.

The repair kinetics for ectopic recombination were monitored by Southern blot analysis as described (10, 11). The blot was exposed in a Phosphor screen. Signal on the screen was captured by scanning in an OptiQuant Cyclone Plus machine (Perkin Elmer). To measure the repair kinetics for ectopic recombination, we quantified and normalized the pixel intensity of target bands to that of corresponding parental bands on blots. The resulting values were further normalized to that of the control sample (uncut).

Analysis of 5'-end resection by Southern blot

Yeast cells were grown overnight in YEP raffinose medium (1% yeast extract, 2% peptone, 2% raffinose) to log phase. HO was induced when the cell density was $\sim 1 \times 10^7$ cells/ml by adding 2% galactose. Samples were collected at 0, 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12 hr after galactose induction. Genomic DNA prepared with a standard phenol extraction method was digested with EcoRI followed by separated on 0.8% agarose gels. The restricted DNA was then transferred onto a Nylon hybridization membrane (GeneScreen). Southern blotting and hybridization with radiolabeled DNA probes was performed as reported(5, 12). Intensities of bands on Southern blots corresponding to probed DNA fragments were analyzed with the OptiQuant software (Perkin Elmer). Quantities of DNA loaded on gels for each time point were normalized using the *TRA1* DNA probe. DSB end resection beyond each EcoRI site for each time point was estimated as a percentage of the signal intensity corresponding to the EcoRI fragment of interest 1 hr after break induction.

Expression of recombination protein and GST pull-down assay

Protein expression and GST pull-down assay was conducted as described by Li *et al*.(13). 6xHis- or GST-tagged WT or mutated Rtt105 or Rfa1 and 6xHis-hRPA70, 6xHis-hRIPα or GST-tagged hRIPα, hRIPβ and hRIPδ recombination proteins were expressed in BL21 (DE3). Protein expression was induced by the addition of 1 mM IPTG at 0.8 OD600. Cells were cultured overnight at 16°C before harvest. After centrifugation at 4000 rpm for 20min, the cell pellets were collected and frozen at -80 °C until use. Cells was then resuspended in lysis buffer (20 mM Tris–HCl, pH 7.4, 50 mM NaCl, 0. 5 mM EDTA, 10% glycerol) and lysed by sonication. The lysate was clarified by centrifugation at 12,000 rpm for 30 min at 4°C. For the GST pull-down assay, GST-tagged WT or mutant Rfa1 or Rtt105 was immobilized on 30 μl of bed volume of glutathione agarose beads. After washing with lysis buffer, the resin was then incubated with His-tagged WT or mutant Rtt105 proteins at 4 \degree C for 4hrs on a rotator. The beads were washed extensively with wash buffer (20 mM Tris–HCl, pH 7.4, 200 mM NaCl, 0. 5 mM EDTA, 10% glycerol), and bound proteins were eluted by boiling the samples in 2xSDS loading buffer. The products were detected by Western blot or Coomassie brilliant blue staining of SDS-PAGE gels.

Protein purification

Purification of yeast RPA complex was performed as described by Binz et al (14). The full-length human RPA composed of three subunits Rfa1, Rfa2, and Rfa3 was expressed and purified according to the protocols described previously(9). For purification of 6xHis-Rtt105 and 6xHis hRIPα protein, cells were lysed by sonication in lysis buffer. Clarified lysate was incubated with Ni-NTA resin (Abclone) for 2 hrs at 4°C on a rotator. The beads were washed extensively with wash buffer containing 20 mM or 50 mM imidazole, followed by elution with wash buffer containing 100 mM imidazole. The eluate for these proteins was collected and dialyzed in 1x PBS overnight. For purification of Rtt105 without any tag, PGEX-6P-1-Rtt105 were transformed into E. coli strain BL21 (DE3). The expression of GST-Rtt105 was induced by adding 1 mM IPTG at 16°C for 16 h in 1 L culture. Cells were lysed and processed as described above. Recombinant GST-Rtt105 was immobilized on 2 mL of bed volume of glutathione agarose beads. After washing with lysis buffer, the resin was then incubated with the prescission protease at 4 °C for 12hrs on a rotator to cut the GST tag. Finally, the flow-through liquid was dialyzed and collected.

Electrophoretic mobility shift assay (EMSA)

To test the effect of Rtt105 on ScRPA assembly on ssDNA, 50 nM of 5'- biotin labeled ssDNA (30 nt, 5'- CGATAAGCTTGATATCGAATTCCGCAGCC-3') substrate was incubated with various amounts of ScRPA complex for 1hr at 4°C in 1× binding buffer (25 mM Tris-HCl, pH 7.5, 5 mM MgCl2, and 5% glycerol). The reaction mixture (20 µl in total) was loaded with 4 µl of 6x loading dye. The reaction products were resolved in a 6% native PAGE gel in cold $0.3 \times$ TBE buffer. The native PAGE were stained with GelRed. Signals were detected on a G-Box imager (Syngene). To test the effect of hRIPα on hRPA assembly on ssDNA, 20 nM of 5'-Cy5 labeled ssDNA substrate was incubated with various amounts of hRPA complex, and the fluorescent signal on the native PAGE or agarose gel was captured by scanning in a Typhon 9500 scanner. Band intensities were quantified with Image J.

Immunoprecipitation (IP)

Yeast cells culture (A600 \sim 1.0) with or without 0.1% MMS treatment (90 min) were collected and lysed on a bead beater in lysis buffer (100 mM HEPES, pH 8.0, 20 mM MgCl₂, 150 mM NaCl, 10% glycerol, 0.4% Nonidet P-40, 0.1mM EDTA plus protease and phosphatase inhibitors) with benzonase to digest DNA and RNA. The extract was clarified by centrifugation at 12,000 g for 10 min at 4°C, followed by incubating with protein G-agarose beads for 1 hr at 4°C to preclear nonspecific binding. After centrifugation, the supernatant was incubated with anti-HA or anti-FLAG antibody at 4°C overnight with agitation. After the addition of protein G-agarose beads, the mixtures were incubated at 4°C for 3 hrs. Subsequently, the beads were washed with lysis buffer for five times (10 min each wash) at 4°C. Immunoprecipitated proteins were eluted by boiling beads in 2xSDS loading buffer for 5 min.

Western blotting

Whole-cell extracts were prepared using a trichloroacetic acid (TCA) method as previously described (15). Whole cell extracts, immunoprecipitated protein, or pull down samples were resolved on an 8% or 12% SDS-PAGE gel and transferred onto a PVDF membrane (Immobilon-P; Millipore) using a semi-dry method(Bio-Rad). Anti-HA and anti-FLAG antibodies were purchased from MBL and Sigma, respectively. Anti-mouse and rabbit IgG HRP-conjugated secondary antibodies were purchased from Santa Cruz Biotechnology. Blots were developed using the Western Blotting substrate (Bio-Rad).

Streptavidin pull-down assay

The effect of 6xHis-hRIPα on the binding of hRPA on ssDNA was also examined using streptavidin pull-down assay. 5'-biotinylated oligonucleotides (30 nt) (5'- CGATAAGCTTGATAT

CGAATTCCGCAGCC-3') were immobilized on streptavidin MagBeads (GenScript) in TES buffer (10 mM Tris, 1 mM EDTA, 2 M NaCl, pH 7.5) for 30 min at room temperature. After an extensive wash with 1xPBS supplemented with 1 mM EDTA, the biotin-ssDNA-streptavidin beads were incubated with a gradient concentration of purified hRPA complex for 30 min at 4 °C. After wash with the binding buffer (25 mM HEPES, pH 7.5, 15 mM KCl, 150 mM NaCl, 1 mM EDTA, 0.05% TritionX-100, 0.5 DTT, 100 mg/mL BSA), purified 6xHis-hRIPα was added to each sample and incubated for 1 hr at 4 °C. Subsequently, the beads were washed with binding buffer, and the bound protein was eluted and detected by Western blot or Coomassie brilliant blue staining.

Single-molecule study

The 12.5 k-nt ssDNA was generated by one-sided PCR, and its two ends were labeled with digoxigenin and biotin groups, respectively. In MT experiments, the digoxigenin-labeled end of a single ssDNA molecule was anchored to the anti-digoxigenin coated glass surface in a flow cell. Then, a superparamagnetic microbead (M-270, Dynal beads) was attached to the biotin-labeled end of the anchored ssDNA molecule. A pair of permanent magnets was used to attract the microbead and thus exert a constant force to the anchored ssDNA molecule. The extension of ssDNA was determined to be the separation between the microbead and glass surface. The assembling buffer contained 100 mM NaAc, 10 mM MgAc₂, 1 mM ATP and 25 mM Tris-Ac pH 7.5. All experiments were performed at a constant force of 8 pN at 20 $°C$.

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