

Supplemental Material

Suppressor analysis uncovers that MAPs and microtubule dynamics balance with the Cut7/Kinesin-5 motor for mitotic spindle assembly in *Schizosaccharomyces pombe*

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Strains	Genotypes	Figures used	Derivations
513	<i>h⁻ leu1 ura4</i>	1A, 1C-D, 4A, 5A-B, S1C, S7	Our stock lab
MY638	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 ade6-210</i>	1A, 1C-D, 4A	Our stock lab
YY60	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 skf1-7 (pkl1-E726D) ade6-210</i>	1A	This study
YY03	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 skf2-5 (wdr8-W399R) ade6-210</i>	1A	This study
MY1515	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 skf3-2 (msd1-L217FfsX4) ade6-210</i>	1A	This study
MY1472	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 skf4-1-kanR (nda3-G56D-kanR) ade6-210</i>	1A	This study
YY66	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 skf5-1 (atb2-G410A) ade6-210</i>	1A	This study
YY61	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 skf6-1 (mal3-K47KfsX4) ade6-210</i>	1A	This study
YY147	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 pkl1::natR leu1 ura4</i>	1C	This study
MY942	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 wdr8::natR ade6-210</i>	1C	This study
MY598	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 msd1::hphR leu1 ura4 ade6-210</i>	1C	This study
YY183	<i>h⁺ cut7-22 atb2::ura4⁺ leu1 ura4 his2</i>	1C	This study
YY214	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 mal3::ura4⁺ ura4</i>	1C	This study
YY251	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 alp16::ura4⁺ leu1 ura4</i>	1D	This study
YY163	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 klp2::hphR leu1 ura4</i>	1D	This study
YY177	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 alp7::hphR leu1 ura4</i>	1D	This study
MY1528	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 alp14::kanR leu1 ura4</i>	1D	This study
YY231	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 dis1::hphR leu1 ura4</i>	1D	This study
MY331	<i>h⁻ kanR-GFP-<i>alp4</i> aur1R-Pnda3-mCherry-<i>atb2</i> leu1 ura4</i>	1E-F, S4C-D	This study
MY652	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 kanR-GFP-<i>alp4</i> aur1R-Pnda3-mCherry-<i>atb2</i> leu1 ura4</i>	1E-F, 3A-C, S4A-D	This study
YY241	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 mal3:: kanR-GFP-<i>alp4</i> aur1R-Pnda3-mCherry-<i>atb2</i> leu1 ura4</i>	1E-F, 3C	This study
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MY1709	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 alp16::ura4⁺ leu1 ura4 [pREP41-GFP-klp2]</i>	2C	This study
MY844	<i>h⁻ cut11-GFP-ura4⁺ kanR-GFP-<i>alp4</i> aur1R-Pnda3-mCherry-atb2 leu1 ura4</i>	3A-C, S4A-B	This study
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MA2-3D	<i>h⁻ cut7-23 leu1</i>	4A	Our stock lab
IH136	<i>h⁻ cut7-24 leu1</i>	4A	Our stock lab
NK193	<i>h⁺ cut7-446 leu1 his2</i>	4A	Our stock lab
MY858	<i>h⁻ kanR-Palp4-GFP-pkl1 aur1R-Pnda3-mCherry-atb2 leu1 ura4</i>	4D, S3A-B	This study
MY1482	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 kanR-Palp4-GFP-pkl1 aur1R-Pnda3-mCherry-atb2 leu1 ura4</i>	4D, S3B	This study
YY305	<i>h⁻ leu1 ura4 [pREP41-GFP-pkl1]</i>	4E	This study
YY308	<i>h⁺ cut7-22 leu1 ura4 his2 [pREP41-GFP-pkl1]</i>	4E	This study
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MY1660	<i>h[?] cut7::bleR leu1[?] ura4[?] his2[?]</i>	5B, S7	This study
MY899	<i>h⁻ cut7::bleR pkl1::natR leu1 ura4</i>	6A	This study
CH61	<i>h⁻ wdr8::kanR leu1 ura4</i>	6A	Our stock lab
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MY1006	<i>h⁻ dis1::hphR leu1 ura4</i>	6A	This study
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MY1809	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 msd1-GFP-kanR aur1R-Pnda3-mCherry-atb2 leu1 ura4</i>	S3C, S6A	This study
MY1834	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 alp16::ura4⁺ msd1-GFP-kanR aur1R-Pnda3-mCherry-atb2 leu1 ura4</i>	S3C	This study
MY195	<i>h⁻ wdr8-GFP-kanR aur1R-Pnda3-mCherry-atb2 leu1 ura4</i>	S3D, S6B	This study
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MY1828	<i>h⁻ cut7-22 alp16::ura4⁺ wdr8-GFP-kanR aur1::aur1R-Pnda3-mCherry-atb2 leu1 ura4</i>	S3D	This study
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*Strains were developed for this study unless otherwise specified.

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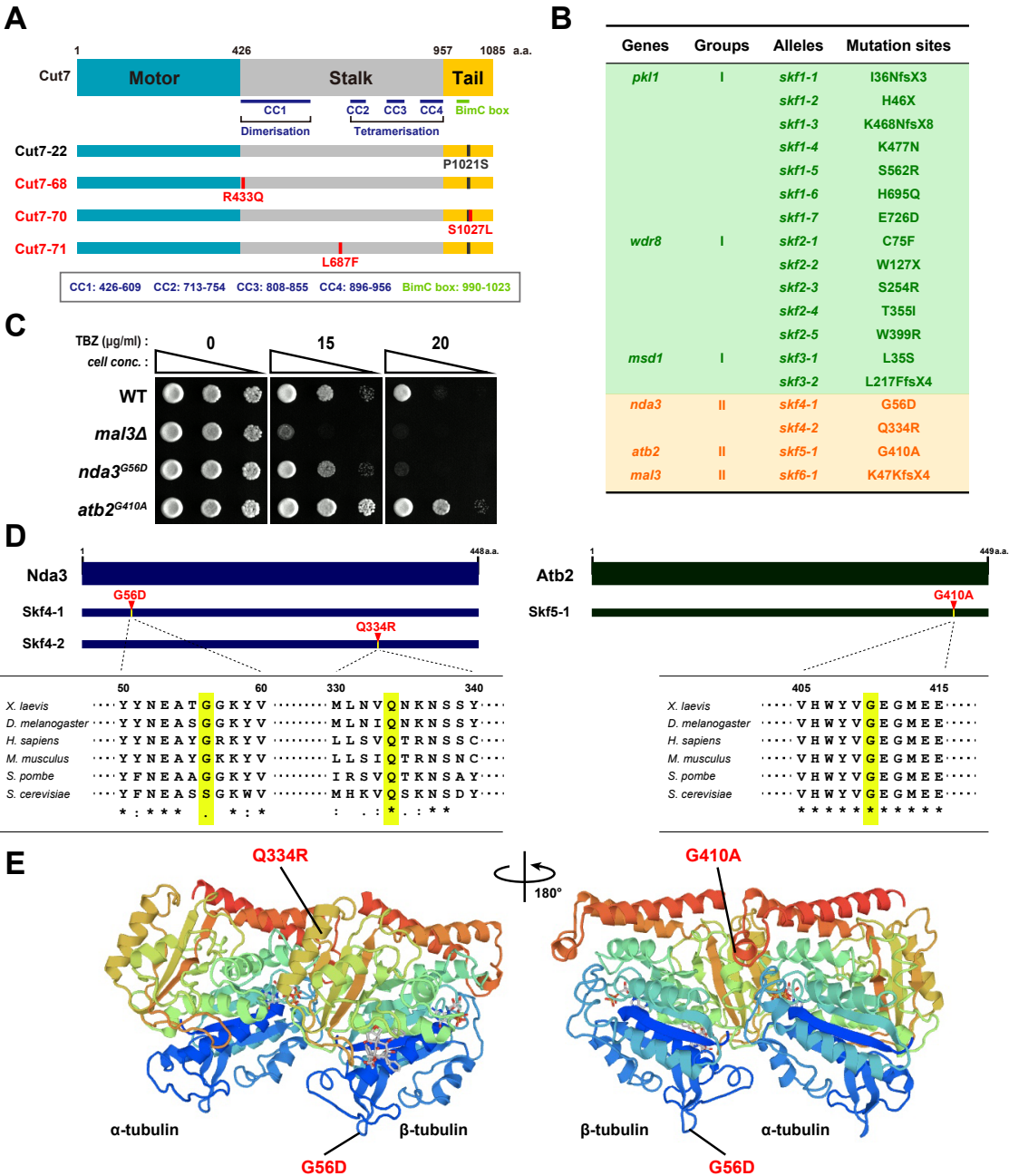


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Figure S1. The positions of intragenic mutations and mutated tubulin genes that suppress *cut7-22*

(A) Mutation sites in intragenic suppressors of the *cut7-22* ts mutant. Overall domain structure of Cut7 are shown on the top: the N-terminal motor domain (blue), the medial stalk domain (gray) including multiple coiled-coil regions (CC) and the C-terminal region (yellow) containing the characteristic BimC. The positions of 3 intragenic mutations are also shown. **(B)** A summary table of *skf* mutant alleles and corresponding genes. Group I (*skf1-skf3*) shown in green consists of genes encoding the MWP complex, while Group II (*skf4-skf6*) shown in orange is composed of those encoding *nda3*, *atb2* and *mal3*. Mutation sites in individual alleles are also provided on the far right corner. X and fs stand for termination codons and frame-shift mutations, respectively. **(C)** Spot test. Indicated strains were spotted onto rich YE5S agar plates in the absence or presence of TBZ (15 µg/ml or 20 µg/ml) and incubated at 30°C for 3 d. 10-fold serial dilutions were performed in each spot. *cell conc.*, cell concentration. **(D)** Mutation sites in *nda3/skf4* and *atb2/skf5*. Alignments of amino acid sequences corresponding to the regions surrounding mutated amino acid residues (marked with green columns) are also shown on the bottom. **(E)** 3D-simulation of the α - β -tubulin heterodimer. The positions of the mutated amino acid residues in *nda3/skf4* and *atb2/skf5* are indicated.

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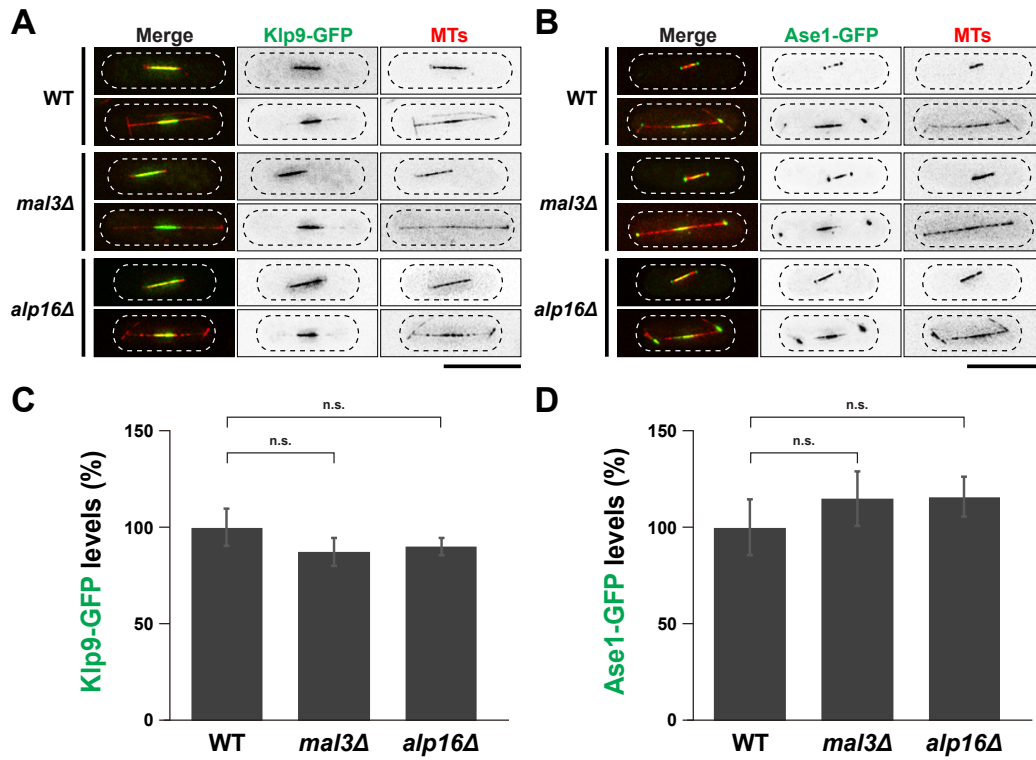


Figure S2. Proper localization of spindle midzone markers in *mal3* or *alp16* deleted cells

(**A**, **B**) Representative images of Klp9-GFP (**A**) or Ase1-GFP (**B**). Wild-type, *mal3Δ* or *alp16Δ* cells containing mCherry-Atb2 and Klp9-GFP (**A**) or mCherry-Atb2 and Ase1-GFP (**B**) were grown at 27°C, and images of mitotic cells were taken. (**C**, **D**) Quantification of Klp9-GFP (**C**) or Ase1-GFP signal intensities (**D**). Fluorescence intensities of Klp9-GFP (**C**) or Ase1-GFP (**D**) on the spindle microtubule were measured. All *p*-values were obtained from the two-tailed unpaired Student's *t* test. Data are presented as the means ± SE (≥ 21 cells). n.s., not significant.

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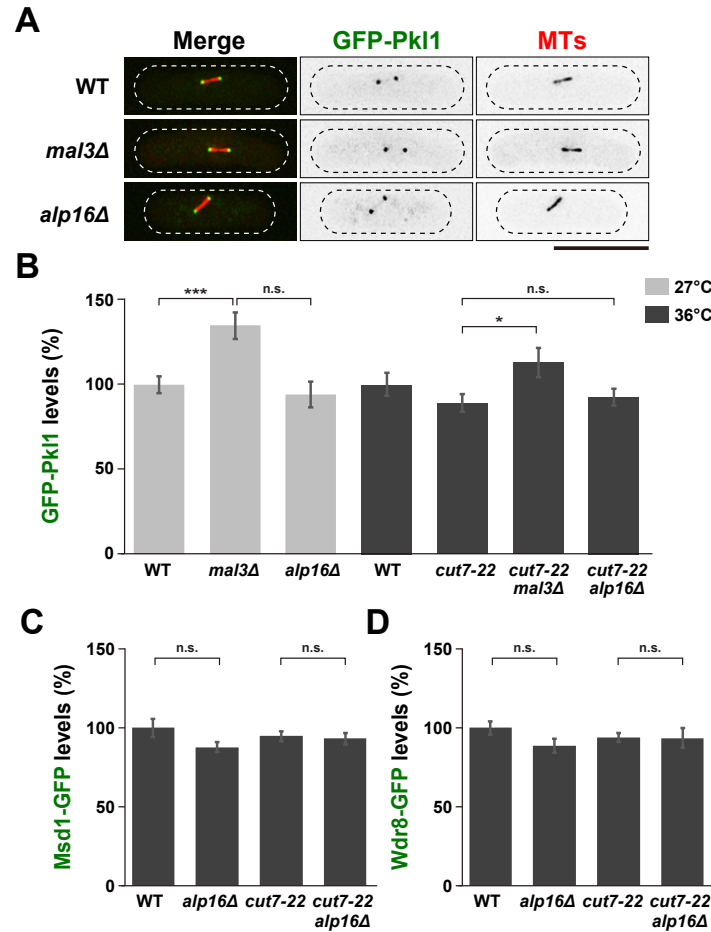


Figure S3. Fluorescence intensities of GFP-Pkl1 in individual strains

(A) Representative images showing mitotic localization of GFP-Pkl1 at the SPB are presented in indicated cells. All strains contain GFP-Pkl1 and mCherry-Atb2. Cells were incubated at 27°C. Scale bar, 10 μm. (B-D) Quantification of GFP-Pkl1 (B), Msd1-GFP (C) or Wdr8-GFP (D) intensities at the mitotic SPB. Each cell was incubated at 27°C (B) or 36°C for 2 h (B-D), and the total values of GFP fluorescence intensities at the SPB were measured. The values of wild-type cells were set as 100% (27°C and 36°C each) and compared to those from other strains under the same condition. All *p*-values were obtained from the two-tailed unpaired Student's *t* test. Data are presented as the means ± SE (*n* ≥ 12). *, *P* < 0.05, ***, *P* < 0.001, n.s., not significant.

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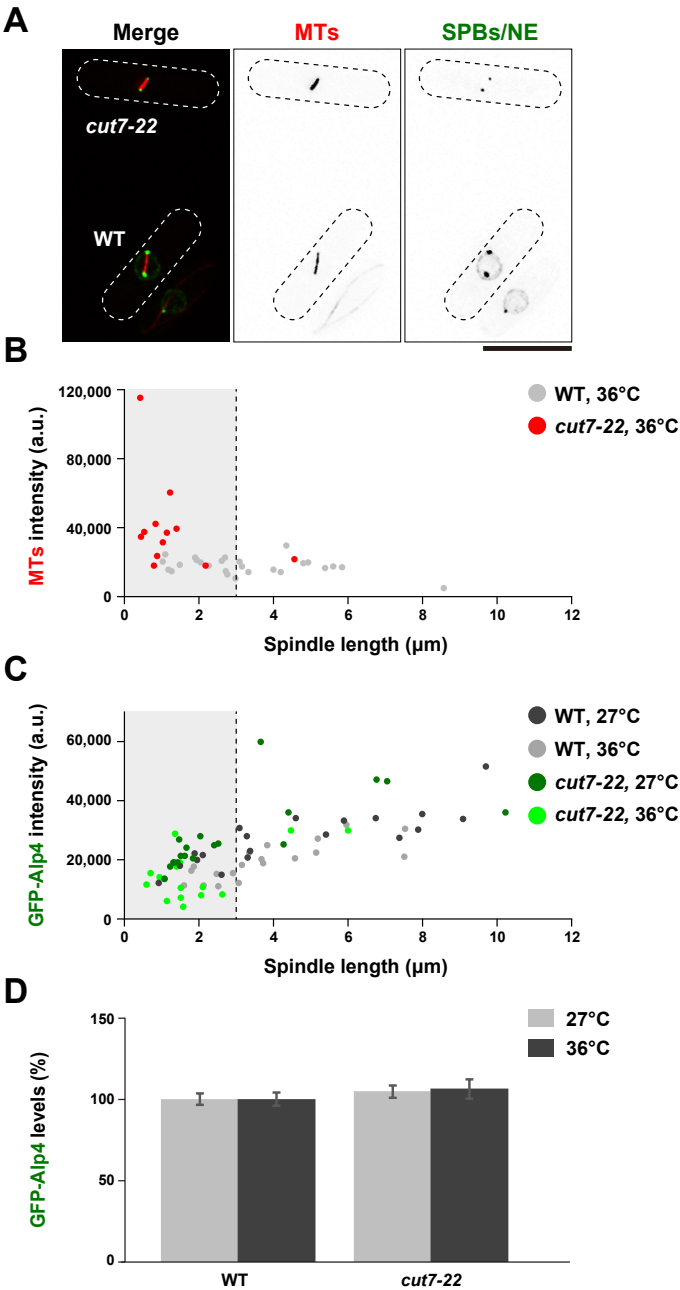


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Figure S4. Fluorescence intensities of spindle microtubules and the γ -tubulin complex in *cut7-22* cells

(A) Comparison of intensities of preanaphase spindle microtubules ($< 3 \mu\text{m}$) between wild-type and *cut7-22* cells in the same field. These two strains were mixed in the same culture, grown at 27°C , shifted to 36°C and further incubated for 2 h. While wild-type cells contain mCherry-Atb2 (MTs), Cut11-GFP (SPB/NE) and GFP-Alp4 (SPB), *cut7-22* cells contain mCherry-Atb2 (MTs) and GFP-Alp4 (SPB). Images of mitotic cells were captured in the same field. Note that SPB signals are brighter in a wild-type cell (lower) than those in a *cut7-22* cell (upper), as the former cell contains Cut11-GFP in addition to GFP-Alp4, thereby wild-type and *cut7-22* cells precisely being assigned. Scale bar, $10 \mu\text{m}$. **(B)** Quantification. Fluorescence intensities of spindle microtubules obtained in **(A)** were measured in each strain and plotted in relation to the spindle length. A vertical dotted line represents the spindle length ($3 \mu\text{m}$) at metaphase. Note that only cells that displayed bipolar (not monopolar) spindles were taken into account. **(C)** Distribution of GFP-Alp4 intensities. Wild-type or *cut7-22* cells containing mCherry-Atb2 and GFP-Alp4 were grown at 27°C . A half of the cultures was shifted to 36°C , while the other half was kept at 27°C . After 2 h incubation, fluorescence intensities of GFP-Alp4 were measured in each strain and plotted in relation to the spindle length (dark- and light-gray circles, wild-type cells at 27°C or 36°C respectively; dark- and light-green circles, *cut7-22* cells at 27°C or 36°C respectively). A vertical dotted line represents the spindle length ($3 \mu\text{m}$) at metaphase. Note that only cells that displayed bipolar (not monopolar) spindles were taken into account. **(D)** Quantification. Fluorescence intensities of GFP-Alp4 were measured in wild-type or *cut7-22* cells that were incubated at either 27°C or 36°C . The values of wild-type cells incubated at 27°C or 36°C were each set as 100%, and compared to those of *cut7-22* cells under the same condition. Data are presented as the means $\pm$ SE ($n>30$).

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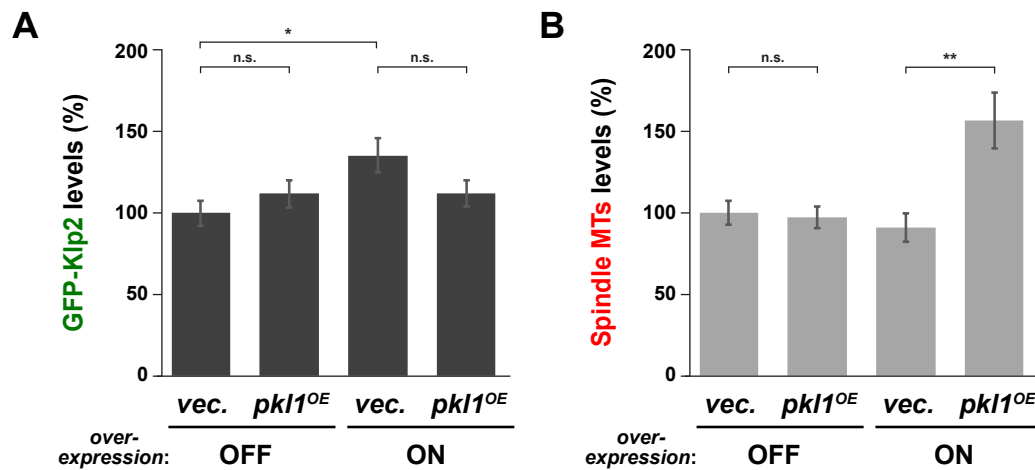


Figure S5. Fluorescence intensities of GFP-Klp2 and spindle microtubules in Pkl1-overproduced cells
(**A, B**) Wild type cells containing GFP-Klp2 and mCherry-Atb2 were transformed with vector plasmids (*vec.*) or plasmids carrying the thiamine-repressible *nmt41-pkl1⁺* gene (*pk11^{OE}*) and grown in the liquid minimal medium in the absence (ON) or presence (OFF) of thiamine for 16 h at 30°C. Under this condition, ~50% of cells contained monopolar spindles. Signal intensities of GFP-Klp2 on the spindles (**A**) and mCherry-Atb2 (spindle microtubules, **B**) were quantified in cells containing bipolar spindles. The levels of spindle microtubule were plotted against the spindle length in individual mitotic cells (**B**). All *p*-values were obtained from the two-tailed unpaired Student's *t* test. Data are presented as the means $\pm$ SD (≥ 20 cells). **, $P < 0.01$, n.s., not significant.

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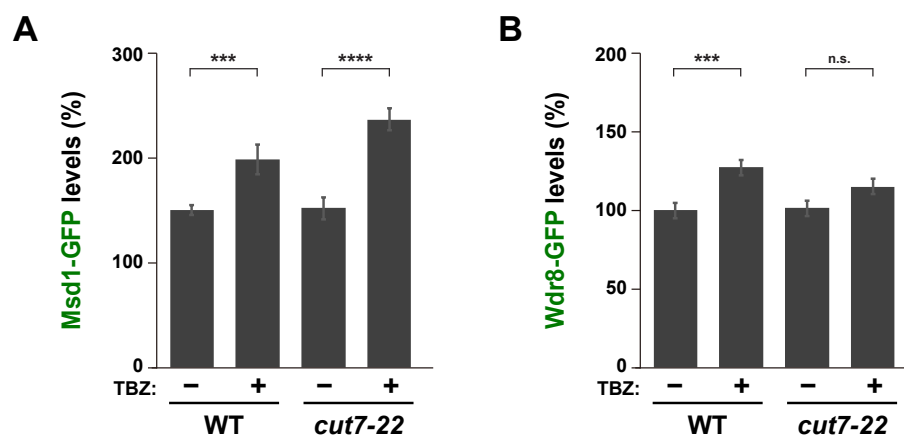


Figure S6. Fluorescence intensities of Msd1-GFP and Wdr8-GFP in *cut7-22* ts cells

(A, B) Fluorescence intensities of Msd1-GFP (A) or Wdr8-GFP (B) at the mitotic SPB were measured in wild-type and *cut7-22* cells that were incubated at 27°C for 12-16 h in the absence or presence of 20 µg/ml TBZ. All *p*-values were obtained from the two-tailed unpaired Student's *t* test. Data are presented as the means $\pm$ SE ($n \geq 16$). ***, $P < 0.001$, ****, $P < 0.0001$. n.s., not significant.

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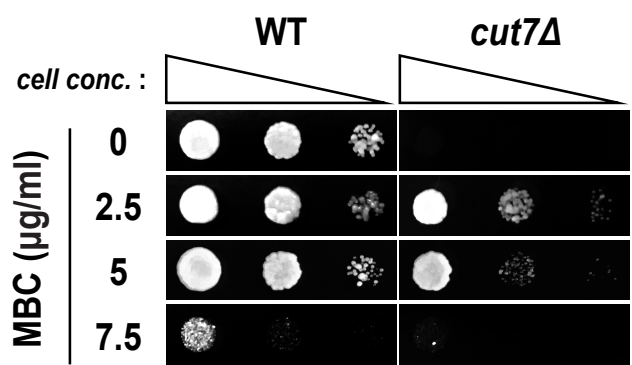


Figure S7. A microtubule-depolymerizing drug, MBC, renders *cut7Δ* cells viable

Spot test. One of wild-type or *cut7Δ* colonies obtained from tetrad dissection shown in Figure 5A were spotted onto YE5S plates in the absence or presence of various concentrations of MBC, and incubated at 27°C for 3 d. *cell conc.*, cell concentration.

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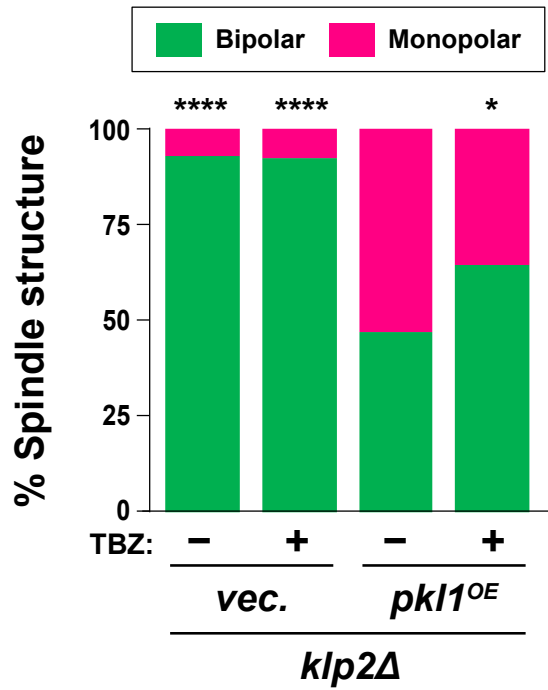


Figure S8. TBZ ameliorates spindle structures in Pkl1-overproduced cells

klp2Δ cells containing GFP-Klp2 and mCherry-Atb2 were transformed with vector plasmids (*vec.*) or plasmids carrying the thiamine-repressible *nmt41-GFP-pkl1⁺* gene (*pk11^{OE}*) and grown in the liquid minimal medium containing thiamine for 24 h at 30°C in the absence or presence of 20 µg/ml TBZ. The morphology of mitotic spindle microtubules was observed and classified into bipolar (green) or monopolar spindles (magenta). All *p*-values were obtained from the two-tailed χ^2 test. Data are presented as the means $\pm$ SE (≥ 42 cells). *, *P* < 0.05, ****, *P* < 0.0001.