

Supporting Information

Conditional recruitment to a DNA-bound CRISPR-Cas complex using a colocalization-dependent protein switch

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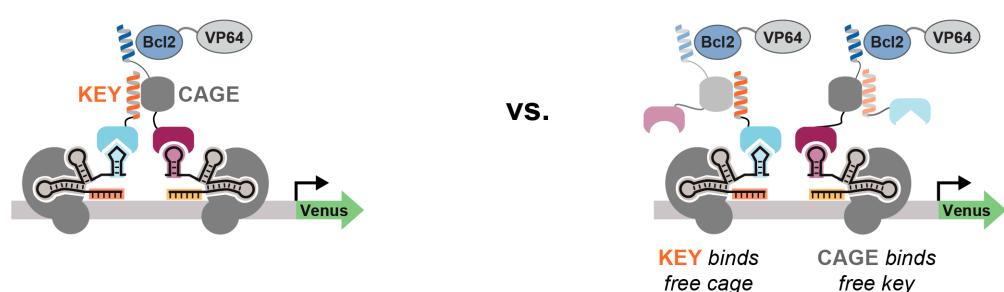
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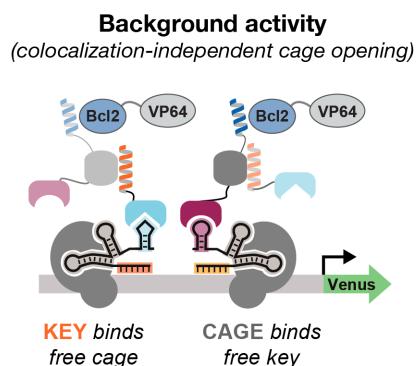
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Figure S1: Reporter activation is colocalization-dependent

A Colocalization-dependent activation



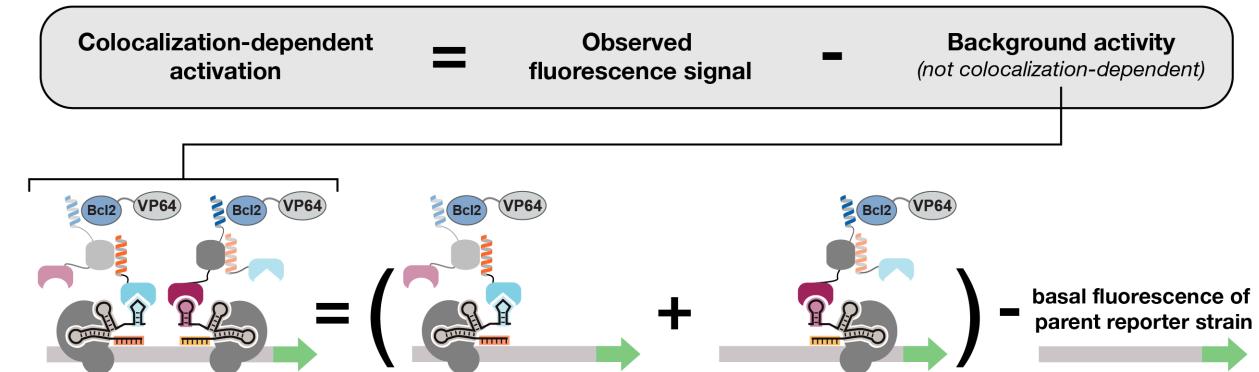
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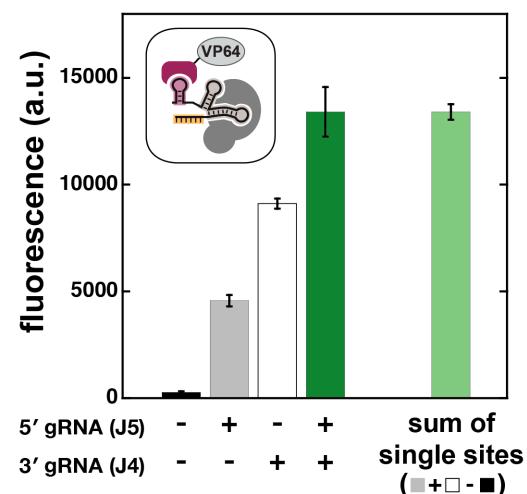
B IF transcriptional activation from adjacent gRNA target sites is additive:



THEN we can assess colocalization-dependent activation using:



C Transcriptional activation from adjacent gRNA target sites is additive



D Observed cage + key signal is colocalization-dependent

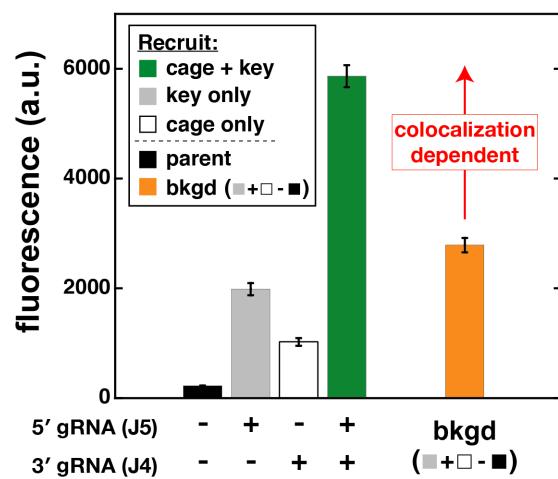


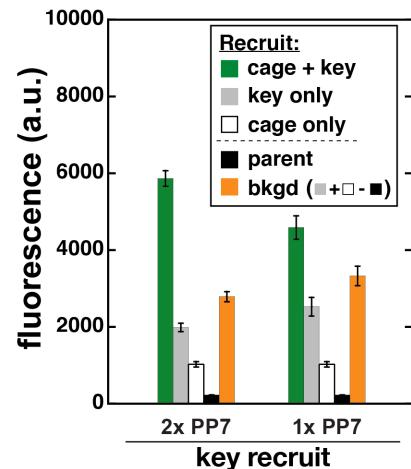
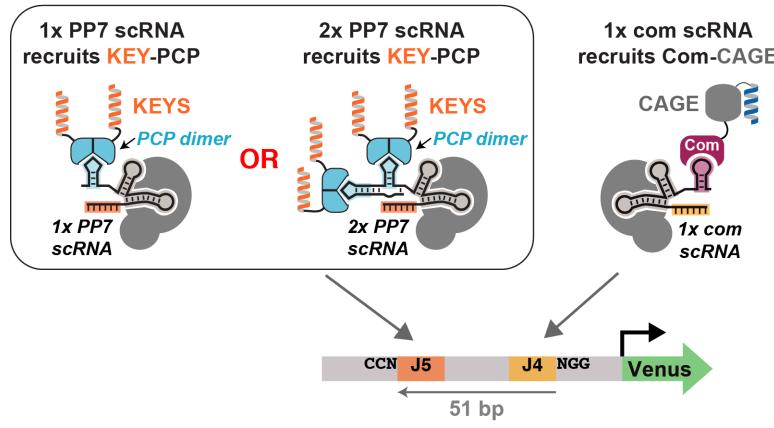
Figure S1. Reporter gene activation with the CRISPR-Cas Co-LOCKR switch is colocalization-dependent. (A) Observed reporter gene activation could arise from colocalization-dependent switch opening, which allows the Bim peptide to recruit the Bcl-VP64 activator. Alternatively, reporter gene activation could arise from recruitment of Bcl-VP64 to each CRISPR-Cas complex. Although the co-LOCKR is designed to open only in when cage and key are colocalized, high concentrations of cage or key could drive the equilibrium towards the open state. (B) We can separately measure reporter gene activation from a recruited cage in the presence of co-expressed key, and recruited key in the presence of co-expressed cage. To predict the contribution from colocalization-independent cage opening when both cage and key are recruited, we need to assess whether VP64 recruitment to adjacent gRNA sites is additive. We can measure reporter gene activation when VP64 is recruited to both sites or each site individually. We can calculate an additive sum from each single target site for comparison to the observed activation when VP64 is recruited to both sites. The sum must be corrected for basal fluorescence from the parent reporter strain, which will be included twice if observed when the values for each single target site are added. This correction can be explicitly derived as:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{\text{both sites}} &= A_{\text{site1}} + A_{\text{site2}} \\ (\text{Obs} - \text{basal})_{\text{both sites}} &= (\text{Obs} - \text{basal})_{\text{site1}} + (\text{Obs} - \text{basal})_{\text{site2}} \\ \text{Obs}_{\text{both sites}} &= \text{Obs}_{\text{site1}} + \text{Obs}_{\text{site2}} - \text{basal} \end{aligned}$$

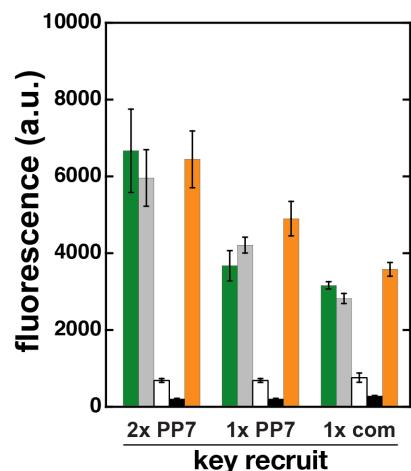
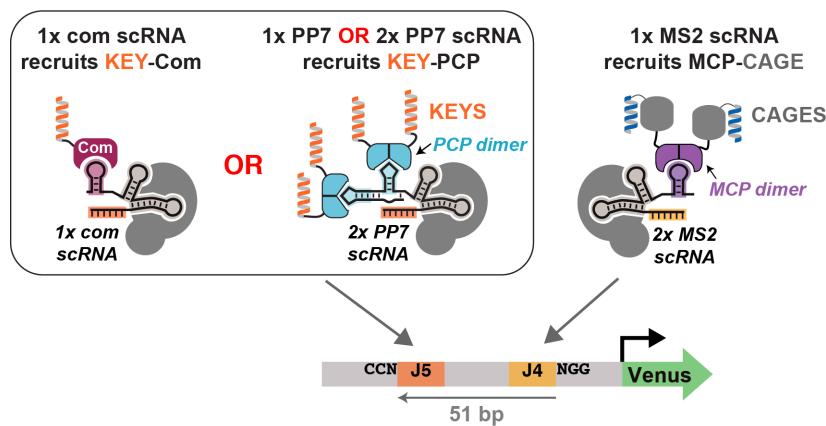
In practice, the correction for basal parental strain fluorescence is negligible. (C) Reporter gene activation from directly recruiting VP64 to both target sites is indistinguishable from the additive sum of VP64 recruitment to each individual target site. Data without either guide present was obtained by transforming the parental yRK266 strain with empty vector (pRS316). (D) Reporter gene activation from the co-LOCKR switch is larger than the background activation predicted from the sum of measured background activity from independent recruitment of cage and key. This co-LOCKR switch uses a 2x PP7 scRNA to recruit key-PCP and a 1x com scRNA to recruit Com-cage (Figure 2). Data for parent was obtained with the unmodified parent strain yKL014. Fluorescence values in (C) and (D) are mean \pm SD for at least three biological replicates. The errors are propagated by adding in quadrature.

Figure S2: Alternate RNA recruitment modules affect switch activation

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B



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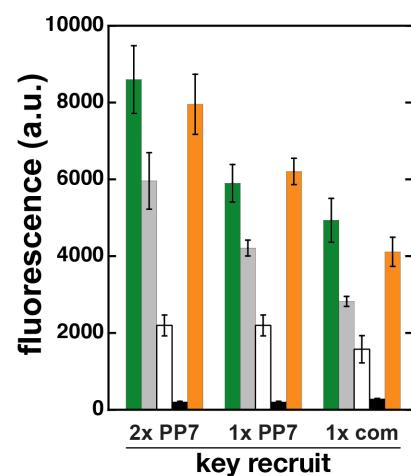
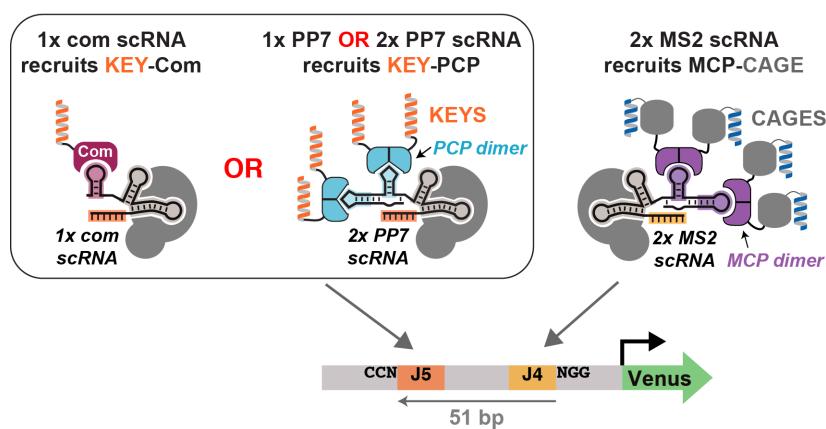
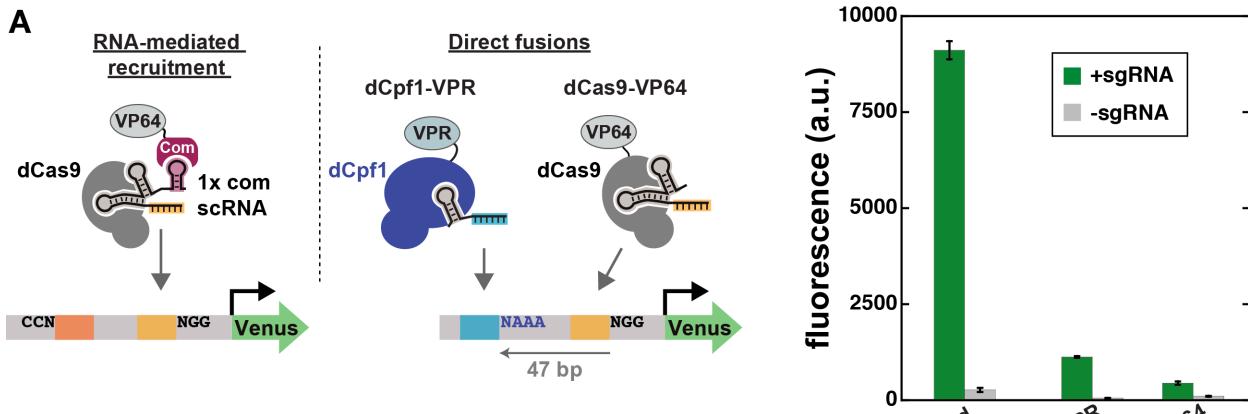


Figure S2. Alternative RNA recruitment modules affect switch activation. (A) Either a 2x PP7 or a 1x PP7 scRNA targets the upstream site (J5) and recruits either four or two key-PCP fusion proteins. A 1x com scRNA recruits one Com-cage fusion protein to the downstream site (J4). Both

key recruitment strategies produce switch activation above background. The 2x PP7 switch produces more activation than 1x PP7. (B) Either a 2x PP7, 1x PP7, or 1x Com scRNA recruits key fusion proteins to the upstream site (J5). A 1x MS2 scRNA recruits two MCP-cage fusion proteins to the downstream site (J4). In each case, there is no significant switch activation above background. (C) Either a 2x PP7, 1x PP7, or 1x Com scRNA recruits key fusion proteins to the upstream site (J5). A 2x MS2 scRNA recruits four MCP-cage fusion proteins to the downstream site (J4). In each case, there is no significant switch activation above background. For A-C, fluorescence values are mean \pm SD for at least three biological replicates. Data for the parent strains were obtained from the unmodified yKL014, yKL016, or yRK456 strains. Background values are the additive sums of the “key only” and “cage only” samples (Figure S1). We did not test every possible pairwise combination of MS2, PP7, and com scRNA recruitment strategies because the MCP and PCP proteins are structurally homologous and behave similarly in CRISPR gene activation assays.¹

Figure S3: RNA-mediated recruitment is more effective than direct dCas9 fusions

A



B

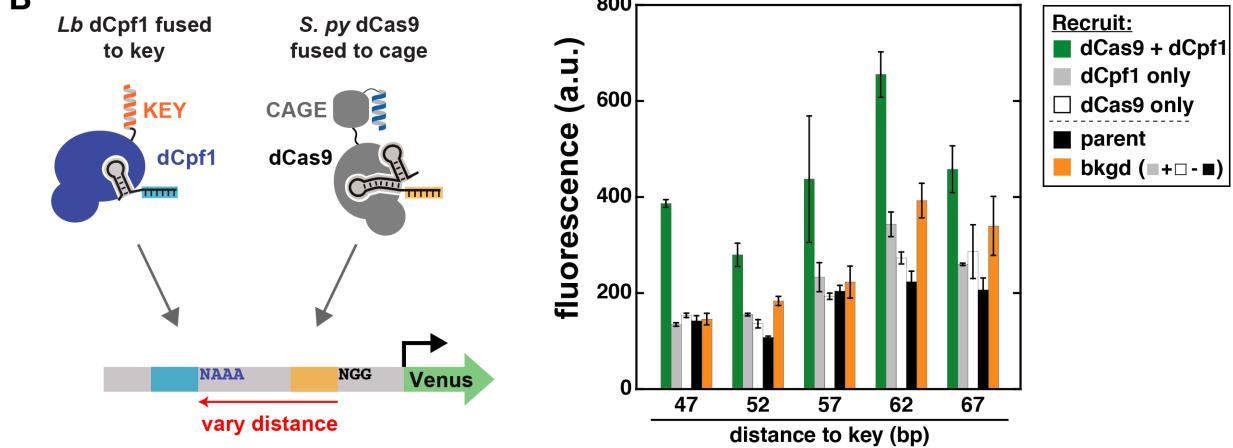


Figure S3. RNA recruitment is more effective than direct dCas9 fusions for co-LOCKR-mediated gene activation. (A) RNA recruitment is more effective than direct dCas9 fusions for reporter gene activation in yeast. Reporter gene activation with a 1x com scRNA and the Com-VP64 fusion protein was measured with the same reporter construct used for co-LOCKR-mediated activation. Reporter gene activation for dLbCpf1-VPR² and dCas9-VP64 was measured using a modified reporter gene construct where the upstream dCas9 PAM sites have been replaced with dCpf1-compatible PAM sites. Both dCpf1-VPR and dCas9-VP64 give significant reporter gene activation, although the values are substantially smaller than that observed with RNA-mediated recruitment of Com-VP64. This observation is consistent with prior results in yeast; in mammalian cells, dCas9 fusion proteins and RNA-mediated recruitment produce comparable reporter gene activation.¹ dCpf1-VPR is more effective than dCas9-VP64, likely because dCpf1 is fused to the tripartite VPR (VP64-p65-Rta) activator, which is more effective than VP64.³ (B) Colocalization of dCpf1-Key and dCas9-CAGE results in significant gene activation, well above the background predicted from the sum of colocalization-independent cage opening (Fig S1). The observed reporter gene activation is substantially smaller than that observed with RNA-mediated recruitment (Fig 2). Varying the distance between dCpf1 and dCas9 has modest effects. Data for parents were obtained by cotransforming the parental reporter strains yKL069, yKL073, yKL074, yKL075, and yKL076 with the off-target guide RNA plasmids pRK020 and pKL053. Fluorescence values are mean \pm SD for at least three biological replicates.

Figure S4: Varing the key-PCP linker length has no significant effect

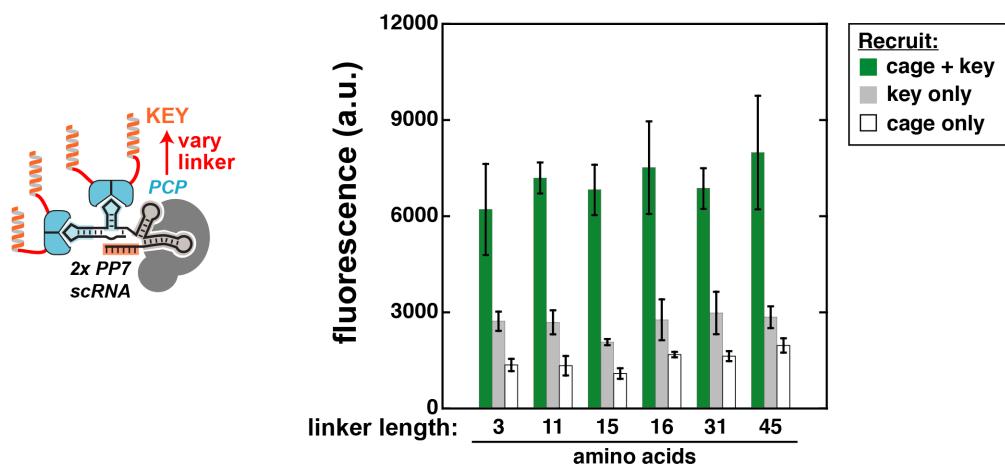


Figure S4. Varying the key-PCP linker length has no significant effect on reporter gene activation. The linker was varied between 3 and 45 amino acids (complete sequences appended below), but we observe no change in colocalization-dependent activation (cage + key) or background activation (key only, cage only). The 3 amino acid linker was used for all other experiments. Fluorescence values are mean \pm SD for at least three biological replicates.

Table S1. Yeast strains

Strain ^a	Genotype	Figure
SO992	W303 MAT α ura3 leu2 trp1 his3 can1R ade	
yKL014	SO992 trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-Com-CLcage HO::HgB ^R pAdh1-CLkey ₄₄ -PCP mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	2, 3, 4, 5 S1D, S2, S4
yKL016	SO992 trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-MCP-CLcage HO::HgB ^R pAdh1-CLkey ₄₄ -PCP mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	2, S2
yRK266	SO992 trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pAdh1-Com-VP64	S1C, S3A
yKL006	SO992 trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-Com-CLcage mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	3, 4
yRK244	SO992 trp1::pR4-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-Com-CLcage mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64 HO::HgB ^R pAdh1-CLkey ₄₄ -PCP	3
yRK245	SO992 trp1::pR5-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-Com-CLcage mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64 HO::HgB ^R pAdh1-CLkey ₄₄ -PCP	3
yKL029	SO992 trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-Com-CLcage HO::HgB ^R pAdh1-CLkey ₄₃ -PCP mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	5
yKL030	SO992 trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-Com-CLcage HO::HgB ^R pAdh1-CLkey ₄₁ -PCP mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	5
yKL031	SO992 trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-Com-CLcage HO::HgB ^R pAdh1-CLkey ₃₇ -PCP mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	5
yKL032	SO992 trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-Com-CLcage HO::HgB ^R pAdh1-CLkey ₃₄ -PCP mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	5
yRK456	SO992 trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-MCP-CLcage HO::HgB ^R pAdh1-CLkey ₄₄ -Com mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	S2
yRK273	SO992 trp1::R6-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9-VP64	S3A
yKL079	SO992 trp1::R6-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dLbCpf1-VPR	S3A
yKL069	SO992 trp1::pR6-Venus leu2::pTdh3-CLkey ₄₄ -dLbCpf1 HO::HgB ^R pUra3-dCas9-2xNLS-CLcage mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	S3B
pKL073	SO992 trp1::pR6+5-Venus leu2::pTdh3-CLkey ₄₄ -dLbCpf1 HO::HgB ^R pUra3-dCas9-2xNLS-CLcage mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	S3B
yKL074	SO992 trp1::pR6+10-Venus leu2::pTdh3-CLkey ₄₄ -dLbCpf1 HO::HgB ^R pUra3-dCas9-2xNLS-CLcage mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	S3B
yKL075	SO992 trp1::pR6+15-Venus leu2::pTdh3-CLkey ₄₄ -dLbCpf1 HO::HgB ^R pUra3-dCas9-2xNLS-CLcage mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	S3B
yKL076	SO992 trp1::pR6+20-Venus leu2::pTdh3-CLkey ₄₄ -dLbCpf1 HO::HgB ^R pUra3-dCas9-2xNLS-CLcage mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	S3B
yKL021	trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-Com-CLcage HO::HgB ^R pCyc1-CLkey ₄₄ -PCP mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	4
yKL022	trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-Com-CLcage HO::HgB ^R pUra3-CLkey ₄₄ -PCP mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	4
yKL023	trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-Com-CLcage HO::HgB ^R pTdh3-CLkey ₄₄ -PCP mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	4
yRK325	SO992 trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-Com-CLcage HO::HgB ^R pAdh1-CLkey ₄₄ -PCP mfa2::Kan ^R pUra3-BCL2-VP64	4
yRK454	SO992 trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-Com-CLcage HO::HgB ^R pAdh1-CLkey ₄₄ -PCP	4
yME007	SO992 trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-Com-CLcage HO::HgB ^R pAdh1-CLkey ₄₄ -(11aa)-PCP mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	S4
yME002	SO992 trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-Com-CLcage HO::HgB ^R pAdh1-CLkey ₄₄ -(15aa)-PCP mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	S4
yME008	SO992 trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-Com-CLcage HO::HgB ^R pAdh1-CLkey ₄₄ -(16aa)-PCP mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	S4
yME009	SO992 trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-Com-CLcage HO::HgB ^R pAdh1-CLkey ₄₄ -(31aa)-PCP mfa2::Kan ^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64	S4

yME003	SO992 <i>trp1::pJ1-Venus leu2::pTdh3-dCas9 his3::pTefl-Com-CLcage HO::HgB^R pAdh1-CLkey₄₄-(45aa)-PCP mfa2::Kan^R pAdh1-BCL2-VP64</i>	S4
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^a The SO992 parental strain has been described previously.¹ The Venus fluorescent reporter gene is a derivative of GFP.⁴

Table S2. Yeast protein expression plasmids

Plasmid ^a	Parent Vector ^b	Marker	Promoter ^c	Gene	Used for yeast strain
pJZC518	pNH605	<i>leu2</i>	<i>pTdh3</i>	dCas9-3xNLS	yKL006, yKL014, yKL016 yKL021, yKL022, yKL023, yKL029, yKL030, yKL031, yKL032, yRK244, yRK245, yRK266, yRK325, yRK454, yRK456
pRK201	pJW609	<i>kanMX</i>	<i>pAdh1</i>	Bcl2-VP64	yKL006, yKL014, yKL016, yKL021, yKL022, yKL023, yKL029, yKL030, yKL031, yKL032, yKL069, yKL073, yKL074, yKL075, yKL076, yRK244, yRK245, yRK456
pKL054	pJW609	<i>kanMX</i>	<i>pUra3</i>	Bcl2-VP64	yRK325
pKL001	pNH603	<i>his3</i>	<i>pTefl</i>	Com-CLcage	yKL006, yKL014, yKL021, yKL022, yKL023, yKL029, yKL030, yKL031, yKL032, yRK244, yRK245, yRK325, yRK454
pKL003	pNH603	<i>his3</i>	<i>pTefl</i>	MCP-CLcage	yKL016, yRK456
pRK442	pJW607	<i>hphMX</i>	<i>pAdh1</i>	CLkey ₄₄ -Com	yRK456
pKL006	pJW607	<i>hphMX</i>	<i>pAdh1</i>	CLkey ₄₄ -PCP	yKL014, yKL016, yRK244, yRK245, yRK325, yRK454
pKL024	pJW607	<i>hphMX</i>	<i>pCycl</i>	CLkey ₄₄ -PCP	yKL021
pKL025	pJW607	<i>hphMX</i>	<i>pUra3</i>	CLkey ₄₄ -PCP	yKL022
pKL026	pJW607	<i>hphMX</i>	<i>pTdh3</i>	CLkey ₄₄ -PCP	yKL023
pKL028	pJW607	<i>hphMX</i>	<i>pAdh1</i>	CLkey ₄₃ -PCP	yKL029
pKL029	pJW607	<i>hphMX</i>	<i>pAdh1</i>	CLkey ₄₁ -PCP	yKL030
pKL030	pJW607	<i>hphMX</i>	<i>pAdh1</i>	CLkey ₃₇ -PCP	yKL031
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pME007	pJW607	<i>hphMX</i>	<i>pAdh1</i>	CLkey ₄₄ -(11aa)-PCP	yME007
pME002	pJW607	<i>hphMX</i>	<i>pAdh1</i>	CLkey ₄₄ -(15aa)-PCP	yME002
pME008	pJW607	<i>hphMX</i>	<i>pAdh1</i>	CLkey ₄₄ -(16aa)-PCP	yME008
pME009	pJW607	<i>hphMX</i>	<i>pAdh1</i>	CLkey ₄₄ -(31aa)-PCP	yME009

pME003	pJW607	<i>hphMX</i>	<i>pAdh1</i>	CLkey ₄₄ -(45aa)-PCP	yME003
pRK271	pNH604	<i>trp1</i>	<i>pJ1</i>	Venus	yKL006, yKL014, yKL016, yKL029, yKL030, yKL031, yKL032, yKL021, yKL022, yKL023, yRK266, yRK325, yRK454, yRK456
pRK339	pNH604	<i>trp1</i>	<i>pR4</i>	Venus	yRK244
pRK340	pNH604	<i>trp1</i>	<i>pR5</i>	Venus	yRK245
pRK369	pNH604	<i>trp1</i>	<i>pR6</i>	Venus	yKL069, yKL079, yRK273
pKL065	pNH604	<i>trp1</i>	<i>pR6+5</i>	Venus	yKL073
pKL066	pNH604	<i>trp1</i>	<i>pR6+10</i>	Venus	yKL074
pKL067	pNH604	<i>trp1</i>	<i>pR6+15</i>	Venus	yKL075
pKL068	pNH604	<i>trp1</i>	<i>pR6+20</i>	Venus	yKL076
pKL055	pJW607	<i>hphMX</i>	<i>pUra3</i>	dCas9-2xNLS-CLcage	yKL069, yKL073, yKL074, yKL075, yKL076
pKL058	pNH605	<i>leu2</i>	<i>pTdh3</i>	CLkey ₄₄ -dLbCpf1	yKL069, yKL073, yKL074, yKL075, yKL076
pJZC506	pNH603	<i>his3</i>	<i>pAdh1</i>	Com-VP64	yRK266
pJZC527	pNH605	<i>leu2</i>	<i>pTdh3</i>	dCas9-VP64	yRK273
pRK364	pNH605	<i>leu2</i>	<i>pTdh3</i>	dLbCpf1-VPR	yKL079

^a pJZC518 and pJZC506 have been described previously.¹ pKL058 and pRK364 were cloned from addgene #104567;⁵ dLbCpf1-VPR expression in yeast has been previously described.²

^b The parent vectors used in this work are designed to integrate in single copy in the yeast genome. The pNH600 and pJW600 series of vectors have been described previously.^{6,7} Vectors containing auxotrophic markers (*leu2*, *his3*, *trp1*) integrate at the corresponding endogenous locus. The pJW609 parent vector (kanMX marker) integrates at the *mfa2* locus and confers G418 resistance (*Kan*^R). The pJW607 parent vector (hphMX marker) integrates at the HO locus and confers hygromycin B resistance (*HygB*^R). Each of these vectors uses the same *C. alb.* *Adh1* terminator.

^c *S. cerevisiae* promoter pTdh3 is among the strongest yeast promoters. pAdh1 and pTef1 produce similar expression levels and are relatively strong, but somewhat weaker than pTdh3. pUra3 is a relatively weak promoter.^{8,9} The minimal 247 bp pCyc1 promoter is the weakest promoter used here.¹⁰ Based on microarray data, the endogenous pTdh3 and pUra3 promoters vary in expression level by >100-fold.⁹ Complete reporter gene promoter sequences for pJ1, pR4, pR5, and pR6 derivatives are appended below.

Table S3. Guide RNA expression plasmids^a

Plasmid	Parent Vector	sgRNA Target Site ^b	sgRNA/scRNA Design ^c	Figure
pKL011	pRS316	1) J4 2) J5	1) 2x MS2 scRNA 2) 2x PP7 scRNA	2, S2
pKL013	pRS316	1) J4 2) J5	1) 1x com scRNA 2) 2x PP7 scRNA	2, 3, 4, 5, S1D, S2, S4
pKL014	pRS316	1) J4 2) J6	1) 1x com scRNA 2) 2x PP7 scRNA	3
pRK323	pRS316	1) J4 2) J7	1) 1x com scRNA 2) 2x PP7 scRNA	3
pRK324	pRS316	1) J4 2) J8	1) 1x com scRNA 2) 2x PP7 scRNA	3
pRK325	pRS316	1) J4 2) J9	1) 1x com scRNA 2) 2x PP7 scRNA	3
pRK326	pRS316	1) J4 2) J10	1) 1x com scRNA 2) 2x PP7 scRNA	3
pKL040	pRS316	1) J4 2) J5	1) 1x com scRNA 2) 1x PP7 scRNA	S2
pRK433	pRS316	1) J4 2) J5	1) 1x MS2 scRNA 2) 2x PP7 scRNA	S2
pRK440	pRS316	1) J4 2) J5	1) 2x MS2 scRNA 2) 1x PP7 scRNA	S2
pKL047	pRS316	1) J4 2) J5	1) 1x MS2 scRNA 2) 1x PP7 scRNA	S2
pRK441	pRS316	1) J4 2) J5	1) 1x MS2 scRNA 2) 1x com scRNA	S2
pRK290	pRS316	1) J4 2) J5	1) 2x MS2 scRNA 2) 1x com scRNA	S2
pRK275	pRS316	J4	2x MS2 scRNA	2, S2
pKL038	pRS316	J4	1x MS2 scRNA	S2
pKL016	pRS316	J4	1x com scRNA	2, 3, 4, 5, S1D, S2, S3, S4
pKL048	pRS316	J5	1x com scRNA	S1C, S2
pKL036	pRS316	1) J4 2) J5	1) 1x com scRNA 2) 1x com scRNA	S1C
pKL018	pRS316	J5	2x PP7 scRNA	2, 3, 4, 5, S1D, S2, S4
pKL019	pRS316	J6	2x PP7 scRNA	3
pME010	pRS316	J7	2x PP7 scRNA	3
pME011	pRS316	J8	2x PP7 scRNA	3
pME012	pRS316	J9	2x PP7 scRNA	3
pME013	pRS316	J10	2x PP7 scRNA	3
pKL039	pRS316	J5	1x PP7 scRNA	S2
pRK373	pRS313	TET	sgRNA	S3
pRK020	pRS313	W17 (off target control)	sgRNA	S3
pRK375	pRS316	R6	sgRNA (LbCpf1)	S3
pKL053	pRS316	TET_2 (off target control)	sgRNA (LbCpf1)	S3

^a Guide RNA constructs were expressed from the pRS316 (*ura3* marker) or pRS313 (*his3* marker) CEN/ARS plasmid backbones with the SNR52 promoter and a SUP4 terminator.^{1,11,12} sgRNA/scRNA designs and corresponding sequences have been described previously.^{1,2,13} Guide RNA target sequences are provided in Table S4. All sgRNA and scRNA constructs (sgRNAs with 3' RNA recruitment domains)¹ are *S. py* Cas9 guide sequences unless otherwise noted.

Table S4. Guide RNA target sites

sgRNA	DNA Sequence	CRISPR system	Reporter^a
J4	CGGTGTCCTGCGGTTACCAA	<i>S. py dCas9</i>	pJ1, pR4, pR5
J5	AGGTGCCCGTGGTGGCCCA	<i>S. py dCas9</i>	pJ1, pR4, pR5
J6	TGGTGGCCCATGGTCACCAT	<i>S. py dCas9</i>	pJ1, pR4, pR5
J7	TGGTCACCATAGGTACCCCT	<i>S. py dCas9</i>	pJ1
J8	AGGTACCCCTGGCAACCAA	<i>S. py dCas9</i>	pJ1
J9	AGGTCTCCGGTGGATACCGT	<i>S. py dCas9</i>	pJ1
J10	CCGGATCAAGATTGTACGTA	<i>S. py dCas9</i>	pJ1
W17	GAAGTCAGTTGACAGAGTCG	<i>S. py dCas9</i>	<i>off target control</i>
TET	ACTTTCTCTATCACTGATA	<i>S. py dCas9</i>	pR6-Venus
R6	CGGTGCAAAGCAAAGTAAAG	<i>Lb dCpfI</i>	pR6-Venus
TET_2	CCACTCCCTATCAGTGATAGAGA	<i>Lb dCpfI</i>	<i>off target control</i>

^a J4 is used to recruit the cage to the reporter. J5-10 are upstream target sites separated from J4 by 51, 61, 71, 81, 131, and 1671 bases respectively in the pJ1 reporter. The pR4 promoter has a 3 base insertion to access separation distances 54 and 64 bases (with J5 and J6). The pR5 promoter has a 5 base insertion to access separation distances 56 and 66 bases (with J5 and J6). Complete reporter gene promoter sequences for pJ1, pR4, pR5, and pR6 are appended below.

The target site separation distances are defined as the distance between PAM sites:

51 base separation for dCas9 target sites in pJ1:

CCN(N20)nnnnnnnnnnn(N20)NGG

_____ (51 bases)

47 base separation for dCpfI and dCas9 target sites in pR6:

(N20)TAAAnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnn(N20)NGG

_____ (47 bases)

Reporter Gene Promoters

All reporter gene promoters contain an array of gRNA target sites, a pCyc1 promoter fragment (bases -147 to -4, lowercase letters), an ATG start codon, and a Venus fluorescent reporter gene (annotated in green, only first 18 bases shown).

Promoters to vary distance between dCas9 target sites (Figure 2):

J4 (**CGGTGTCCCTGC GGTTACCAA**), J5 (**TGGGCCACCACGGCGACCT**), and J6 (**ATGGTGACCATGGGCCACCA**) sequences are annotated.

>pJ1
GCCTACGGTATCCACCGGAGACCTATGGCAGCCTCCGGCCGCCC ATAGGACACCTTGGTTGCCAAGGGTGACCT**ATG**
GTGACCA**TGGGCCACCACGGCGACCT**CAGGTATCCTG**CGGTGTCCCTGC GGTTACCAA**AGGCGTCCTTGGGTTCCA
CCGGATACCTCCGGAAAGTGAAAGTCGAGCTCGGTACCCatggcatgcatgtgc tctgtatgtatataaaaactctt
gtttcttcattcttaatattcttcattatacatttaggtccttgtagcataaaattactataacttctatagac
acgcaaacacaaaatacacacacactaaattaCCGGATCAATTGGGATGCTCGAG**TCTAAAGGTGAAGAATTA**...

>pR4
GCCTACGGTATCCACCGGAGACCTATGGCAGCCTCCGGCCGCCC ATAGGACACCTTGGTTGCCAAGGGTGACCT**ATG**
GTGACCA**TGGGCCACCACGGCGACCT**GACCAGGTATCCTG**CGGTGTCCCTGC GGTTACCAA**AGGCGTCCTTGGGTT
CCACCGGATACCTCCGGAAAGTGAAAGTCGAGCTCGGTACCCatggcatgcatgtgc tctgtatgtatataaaaact
cttgtttcttcattcttaatattcttcattatacatttaggtccttgtagcataaaattactataacttctata
gacacgcaaacacaaaatacacacacactaaattaCCGGATCAATTGGGATGCTCGAG**TCTAAAGGTGAAGAATTA**...

>pR5
GCCTACGGTATCCACCGGAGACCTATGGCAGCCTCCGGCCGCCC ATAGGACACCTTGGTTGCCAAGGGTGACCT**ATG**
GTGACCA**TGGGCCACCACGGCGACCT**CTGACCAGGTATCCTG**CGGTGTCCCTGC GGTTACCAA**AGGCGTCCTTGGG
TTCCACCGGATACCTCCGGAAAGTGAAAGTCGAGCTCGGTACCCatggcatgcatgtgc tctgtatgtatataaaa
cttttgtttcttcattcttaatattcttcattatacatttaggtccttgtagcataaaattactataacttcta
tagacacgcaaacacaaaatacacacacactaaattaCCGGATCAATTGGGATGCTCGAG**TCTAAAGGTGAAGAATTA**
...

Promoters to vary distance between dCpf1 and dCas9 target sites (Figure S3)

R6 (**CTTTACTTGCCTTCACCG**) and TET (**ACTTTCTCTATCACTGATA**) gRNA target sequences are annotated.

>pR6

CTTTACTTGCCTTCACCGTAAACGTAAAGGAAACGCACTCAGGAT**ACTTTCTCTATCACTGATA**CGGAAAGTGA
AAGTCGAGCTCGGTACC~~C~~tatggcatgc~~a~~tgctgttatgtataaaaactcttg~~ttt~~c~~ttt~~c~~ttt~~c~~taaa~~at
atctttcc~~t~~tatacattagtc~~ttt~~gtac~~cataa~~attactataacttctatagacacgcaa~~acaca~~at~~acaca~~aca
ctaaattaCCGGATCAATT~~CGGGAT~~GCTCGAG**TCTAAAGGTGAAGAATTA...**

> pR6+5

CTTTACTTGCCTTCACCGTAAACGTAAAGGAAACGATTGCA~~CC~~CACTCAGGAT**ACTTTCTCTATCACTGATA**CGGAA
AGT~~GAAAGTCGAGCTCGGTACC~~C~~t~~atggcatgc~~a~~tgctgttatgtataaaaactcttg~~ttt~~c~~ttt~~c~~ttt~~c~~tc~~
taa~~at~~attctttcc~~t~~tatacattagtc~~ttt~~gtac~~cataa~~attactataacttctatagacacgcaa~~acaca~~at~~ac~~
acacactaa~~at~~taCCGGATCAATT~~CGGGAT~~GCTCGAG**TCTAAAGGTGAAGAATTA...**

>pR6+10

CTTTACTTGCCTTCACCGTAAACGTAAAGGAAACGATTGCTAC~~CC~~CACTCAGGAT**ACTTTCTCTATCACTGATA**
CGGAAAGT~~GAAAGTCGAGCTCGGTACC~~C~~t~~atggcatgc~~a~~tgctgttatgtataaaaactcttg~~ttt~~c~~ttt~~c~~ttt~~c~~tt~~
ttctctaa~~at~~attctttcc~~t~~tatacattagtc~~ttt~~gtac~~cataa~~attactataacttctatagacacgcaa~~acaca~~aca
aatacacacactaa~~at~~taCCGGATCAATT~~CGGGAT~~GCTCGAG**TCTAAAGGTGAAGAATTA...**

>pR6+15

CTTTACTTGCCTTCACCGTAAACGTAAAGGAAACGATTGCTACTCCAGCGCACTCAGGAT**ACTTTCTCTATCAC**
TGATACGGAAAGT~~GAAAGTCGAGCTCGGTACC~~C~~t~~atggcatgc~~a~~tgctgttatgtataaaaactcttg~~ttt~~
ttttctctaa~~at~~attctttcc~~t~~tatacattagtc~~ttt~~gtac~~cataa~~attactataacttctatagacacgcaa
acacaaatacacacactaa~~at~~taCCGGATCAATT~~CGGGAT~~GCTCGAG**TCTAAAGGTGAAGAATTA...**

>pR6+20

CTTTACTTGCCTTCACCGTAAACGTAAAGGAAACGATTGCTACTCCAGCCAAGCGCACTCAGGAT**ACTTTCTCT**
ATCACTGATACGGAAAGT~~GAAAGTCGAGCTCGGTACC~~C~~t~~atggcatgc~~a~~tgctgttatgtataaaaactcttg
ttttctctttctctaa~~at~~attctttcc~~t~~tatacattagtc~~ttt~~gtac~~cataa~~attactataacttctatagaca
cgcaa~~acaca~~at~~acacacactaa~~at~~taCCGGATCAATT~~~~CGGGAT~~GCTCGAG**TCTAAAGGTGAAGAATTA...**

Protein Sequences

Transcriptional activator

> NLS-Bcl2-linker-VP64

M_PKKKRKVMAHAGRTGYDNREIVMKYIHYKLSQRGYEWGDVGAAPPGAAAPGIFSSQPGHTPHPAASRDPVART
SPLQTTPAAGPAAAGPALS_PVPPVHLTLRQAGDDFSRRYRRDFAEMSSQLH_TPFTARGRFATVVEELFRDGVNWR
IVAFFEFGGVMCVESVNREMSPLVDNIALWMTEYLNRHLHTWIQDNGGWDAFVELYGPSMRGS_GRADALDDFDLDML
GSDALDDFDLDMLGSDALDDFDLDMLGSDALDDFDLDMLIN

Cage constructs fused to RNA binding proteins

> NLS-linker-MCP-linker-CLcage

M_PKKKRKVGS_MASNFQFLVLDNGGTGDTVAPS_NFANGIAE_WISSLNSRSQAYKVTCSV_RQSSAQNRKYTIKVEVPK
GAWRSYLN_MELTIP_IFATNSDCELIVKAMQ_GLLKDGN_PIPS_AIAANSGIYGGSGSEL_LARKLLEASTKLQRLNIRLA
EALLEAIARLQELNLELVYLA_VELTD_PKRIRDEIKEVKDKS_SKEIIRRAEKEIDDAAKES_EKILEEAREAISGGSEL
AKLLLKAIAETQDLNLRAAKAFLEAAAKLQELNIRAVELLVKLTDPATIREALEHAKRRS_KEIIDEAERAIRAAKRE
SERII_EARRLIEKGSGSGSELARELLRAHAQLQRLNLELLRELLRALAQLQELNLDLLAS_ELTDEIWIAQELRR
IGDEFNAYYADAERLIREAAAASEKISREAERLIR

> NLS-linker-Com-linker-CLcage

M_PKKKRKVGS_MK_SIRCKNCNKLLFKADSF_DH_IEIRCPRCKRHIIMLNACEHPTEKHCGKREKITHSDET_VRYGSGSG
SEL_LARKLLEASTKLQRLNIRLAE_ALLAEIARLQELNLELVYLA_VELTD_PKRIRDEIKEVKDKS_SKEIIRRAEKEIDDA
AKES_EKILEEAREAISGGSELAKLLLKAIAETQDLNLRAAKAFLEAAAKLQELNIRAVELLVKLTDPATIREALEH
AKRRS_KEIIDEAERAIRAAKRESERII_EARRLIEKGSGSGSELARELLRAHAQLQRLNLELLRELLRALAQLQELN
LDLLRLAS_ELTDEIWIAQELRRIGDEFNAYYADAERLIREAAAASEKISREAERLIR

Key constructs fused to the PCP RNA binding protein

Key truncations are shown in Figure 4 and extended linkers are shown in Figure S4. The 15 and 45 amino acid linkers are derived from the disordered tether from the regulatory domain of PKA, which is well-characterized structurally and biochemically.¹⁴ The 11, 16, and 31 amino acid linkers are derived from the XTEN linker, a flexible, extended polypeptide.^{15,16}

Vary key length:

> NLS-linker-CLkey₄₄-linker-PCP (44 aa key)

M_PKKKRKVGS_GGS_SDEARKAIARV_KRESKRIVEDAERLIREAAAASEKISREAERLIRGSGMSKTIVLSVG_EATRTLTEI
IQSTADRQIFE_EEKG_GPLVG_GRLRLTASLRQNGAKTAYRVNLKLDQADVVD_GLPKVRYTQVWSHDVTIVANSTEASRK
SLYDLTKSLVATSQVEDLVVNLVPLGR

> NLS-linker-CLkey₄₃-linker-PCP (43 aa key)

M_PKKKRKVGS_GGS_SDEARKAIARV_KRESKRIVEDAERLIREAAAASEKISREAERLK_GSGMSKTIVLSVG_EATRTLTEIQS
TADRQIFE_EEKG_GPLVG_GRLRLTASLRQNGAKTAYRVNLKLDQADVVD_GLPKVRYTQVWSHDVTIVANSTEASRKSLY
DLTKSLVATSQVEDLVVNLVPLGR

> NLS-linker-CLkey₄₁-linker-PCP (41 aa key)

M_PKKKRKVGS_GGS_SDEARKAIARV_KRESKRIVEDAERLIREAAAASEKISREAERRGSGMSKTIVLSVG_EATRTLTEIQS
TADRQIFE_EEKG_GPLVG_GRLRLTASLRQNGAKTAYRVNLKLDQADVVD_GLPKVRYTQVWSHDVTIVANSTEASRKSLY
DLTKSLVATSQVEDLVVNLVPLGR

> NLS-linker-CLkey₃₇-linker-PCP

MPKKKRKVGGSGSDEARKAIARVKRESKRIVEDAERLIREAAAASEKISRGSMSKTIVLSVGEATRTLTIQSTADRQIFEEKGVLVGLRLTASLRQNGAKTAYRVNLKLDQADVVDSGLPKVRYTQVWSHDVTIVANSTEASRKSLYDLTKSLVATSQVEDLVVNLVPLGR

> NLS-linker-CLkey₃₄-linker-PCP

MPKKKRKVGGSGSDEARKAIARVKRESKRIVEDAERLIREAAAASEKGSMSKTIVLSVGEATRTLTIQSTADRQIFEEKGVLVGLRLTASLRQNGAKTAYRVNLKLDQADVVDSGLPKVRYTQVWSHDVTIVANSTEASRKSLYDLTKSLVATSQVEDLVVNLVPLGR

Vary key-PCP linker length:

> NLS-linker-CLkey₄₄-11aalinker-PCP

MPKKKRKVGGSGSDEARKAIARVKRESKRIVEDAERLIREAAAASEKISRREAERLIRGSETPGTSESAMSKTIVLSVGEATRTLTIQSTADRQIFEEKGVLVGLRLTASLRQNGAKTAYRVNLKLDQADVVDSGLPKVRYTQVWSHDVTIVANSTEASRKSLYDLTKSLVATSQVEDLVVNLVPLGR

> NLS-linker-CLkey₄₄-15aalinker-PCP

MPKKKRKVGGSGSDEARKAIARVKRESKRIVEDAERLIREAAAASEKISRREAERLIRQESDTFIVSPTTFHMSKTIVLSVGEATRTLTIQSTADRQIFEEKGVLVGLRLTASLRQNGAKTAYRVNLKLDQADVVDSGLPKVRYTQVWSHDVTIVANSTEASRKSLYDLTKSLVATSQVEDLVVNLVPLGR

> NLS-linker-CLkey₄₄-16aalinker-PCP

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> NLS-linker-CLkey₄₄-31aalinker-PCP

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> NLS-linker-CLkey₄₄-45aalinker-PCP

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dCas9 fused to cage

> **dCas9-2xNLS-linker-CLcage**

MLEDKKYSIGLAIGTNSGVWAVITDEYKVPSKKFKVLGNTDRHSIKKNLIGALLFDGETAEATRLKRTARRRYTRR
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EKYKEIFFDQS
KNGYAGYIDGGASQEEFYKF
IPILEKM
DGTEELLVKLNREDLLRKQRTFDNGSIPHQIHLGELHAILRRQEDFYPFLKDNRK
E KIELTFRIPYYVGPLARGNS
RFAWMTRKSEETITPWNEEVVVDKGASAQS
FIERMTNFDKNLPNEVKLPKH
SLLYEYFTV
YNELT
KVKYV
TEGMRKP
AFLSGEQQKAI
V DLLF
KTNRKTV
KQLK
E D Y F
K K I E C F
D S V E I S G
V E D R F N A S L G T Y H D L L K I I K D K D F L D
N E E N E D
I L E D I V L T L F
E D R E M I E E R L K T Y A H L F
D D K V M Q
K R R R Y T
G W G R L S R K L I N G
I R D Q S G K T I L D F L K S D G F A N R
N F M Q L I H D D S L T F
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dCpf1 fused to key

> **NLS-linker-CLkey₄₄-dLbCpf1-NLS**

LEPKKKRKVGSGPGSDEARKAIARVKRESKRIVEDAERLIREAAAASEKISREAERLIRGSGSGSKLEKFTNCYSL
KTLRFKAIPVGKTQENIDNKRLVEDEKRAEDYKGVKLLDRYYLSFINDVLSI
KLKLN
NNYISLFRKKTRTEKEN
KELENLEINLRKEIAKAFKGNEGKSLFKKDIETILPEFLDDK
E I A L V N S F N G F T A F T G F D N R E N M F S E E A K S
T S I A F R C I N E N L T R Y I S N M D I F E K V D A I F D K H E V Q E I K E K I L N S D Y D V E D F F E G E F F N F V L T Q E G I D V Y N A I I G G F V
T E S G E K I K G L N E Y I N L Y N O K T K O K L P K F K P L Y K Q V L S D R E S L S F Y G E G Y T S D E E V L E V F R N T L N K N S E I F S S I K K L E
K L F K N F D E Y S S A G I F V K N G P A I S T I S K D I F G E W N V I R D K W N A E Y D D I H L K K K A V V T E K Y E D D R R K S F K K I G S F S L E Q
L Q E Y A D A D L S V V E K L K E I I I Q K V D E I Y K V Y G S S E K L F D A D F V L E K S L K K N D A V V A I M K D L L D S V K S F E N Y I K A F F G E
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D C H K L I D F F K D S I S R Y P K W S N A Y D F N F S E T E K Y K D I A G F Y R E V E E Q G Y K V S F E S A S K K E V D K L V E E G K L Y M F Q I Y N K
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S A Y K E L F N K Y G I N Y Q Q G D I R A L L C E Q S D K A F Y S S F M A L M S L M Q M R N S I T G R T D V D F L I S P V K N S D G I F Y D S R N Y E A
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