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Abstract:

An integrated account of the molecular changes occurring during the process of cellular aging is crucial towards understanding the underlying mechanisms. Here, using novel culturing and computational methods as well as latest analytical techniques, we mapped the proteome and transcriptome during the replicative lifespan of budding yeast. With age, we found primarily proteins involved in protein biogenesis to increase relative to their transcript levels. Exploiting the dynamic nature of our data, we reconstructed high-level directional networks, where we found the same protein biogenesis-related genes to have the strongest ability to predict the behavior of other genes in the system. We identified metabolic shifts and the loss of stoichiometry in protein complexes as being consequences of aging. We propose a model whereby the uncoupling of protein levels of biogenesis-related genes from their transcript levels is causal for the changes occurring in aging yeast. Our model explains why targeting protein synthesis, or repairing the downstream consequences, can serve as interventions in aging.

Introduction:

Aging, the gradual decrease in function occurring at the molecular, cellular, and organismal level, is a main risk factor for cardiovascular disease, neurodegeneration, and cancer [1]. Understanding its driving force is the required step towards enabling interventions that might delay age-related disorders [2]. While this remains an unsolved problem in biology [3,4], significant advances in the field have shown the process of aging to be malleable at both the genetic and environmental levels, indicating that it is possible for its causal elements to be dissected. The rate of aging, however, is influenced by diverse factors including protein translation, protein quality control, mitochondrial dysfunction, and metabolism [5–8]. The multitude of factors involved indicates that aging is a complex and multifactorial process, where ultimately an integrated and systems-level approach might be necessary to untangle the causal forces.

Important insights into the complex process of aging originate from research on the unicellular eukaryote *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, which can produce 20-30 daughter cells before its death ([9] and see [10,11] for recent reviews). Significant contributions towards global mapping of the aging process have been demonstrated through transcriptome studies [12–16] and genome-wide single-gene deletion lifespan measurements (reviewed in [4]). However, a major task remains to comprehensively describe the molecular changes that accompanies the aging process. As the exponential increase in daughter cells represents a major challenge in terms of generating sufficient numbers of aged cells, to date no comprehensive description of the changes on both the proteome and transcriptome level has been provided. Assuming that the molecular changes occurring along the replicative lifespan of yeast are in part responsible for its decreased viability that occurs over time, we reason that revealing the dynamic and interdependent changes that accompany this process would allow us to distinguish cause from consequence in aging.

Here, we developed a novel column-based cultivation method that generated large numbers of advanced-age cells in a constant environment. Applying next-generation RNA sequencing and shot-gun proteomics, we mapped the molecular phenotypes of aging yeast cells at 12 time points,

well into advanced age where the majority of cells had died due to aging. Analysis of these dynamic and comprehensive datasets allowed us to identify a general uncoupling of protein levels from their corresponding mRNA levels. This uncoupling was most apparent in protein biogenesis-related proteins, which we found overrepresented relative to their transcripts. Using computational network-based inference methods, we found that changes in these genes had the strongest ability to predict the behavior of other genes, thereby suggesting their causal role in replicatively aging yeast. On the basis of these analyses, we provide a systems-level model of aging unifying and integrating diverse observations made within the field.

Results:

Novel culture and computational methods to determine aged cell phenotypes

To obtain aged yeast cells, we bound streptavidin-conjugated iron beads to biotinylated cells (adapted from [17]) from an exponentially growing culture. This starting cohort of mother cells was put into a column containing stainless steel mesh that was positioned within a magnetic field (Figure 1A and Figure 1-figure supplement 1). The daughter cells do not inherit the iron beads, as the yeast cell wall remains with the mother during mitosis [17]. By running a constant flow of medium through the column, we washed away the majority of emerging daughter cells. The flowing medium also provided fresh nutrients and oxygen and ensured constant culture conditions, as confirmed for pH, glucose, and oxygen levels (Figure 1-figure supplement 2A, B, and C). By maintaining multiple columns simultaneously, we could harvest cells from the same starting cohort at different time points and thus at different replicative ages (Figure 1-figure supplement 2D). Because we could retain up to 10⁹ mother cells per column (Figure 1-figure supplement 3), we could produce sufficient numbers of aged cells for performing parallel proteome and transcriptome analyses. Computer simulations showed that the age distribution broadened over time (Figure 1-figure supplement 4A, B). The broadened age distribution results in a lower resolution making detecting the actual changes occurring at later time points more difficult, and we therefore harvested cells at exponentially increasing time intervals to maximize the differences between time points at later ages.

To assess whether our column-based cultivation method generated correctly aged cells in a reproducible manner, we developed flow cytometric assays to determine the typical phenotypes of aging cells. Avidin-FITC (AvF) binding to the biotin-labeled cells distinguished the starting cohort of mother cells from daughter cells (Figure 1-figure supplement 5A). Dead cells were identified using propidium iodide (PI), which fluoresces upon intercalating with the DNA of membrane-permeable dead cells (Figure 1-figure supplement 5A). These two assays were used to determine the fractions of daughters, mothers, and dead cells in a population (Figure 1-figure supplement 5B). From this data, we derived the viability of the mother cells over time, which we found to be in excellent agreement with the lifespan curve of yeast as observed in a microfluidic device [18] (Figure 1B). Using the forward scatter of the flow cytometer as a rough proxy for cell size, we could qualitatively observe the cell size increase of live mothers that is known to occur in aging mother cells (Figure 1C) [19]. Similarly, using fluorophore-conjugated wheat-germ agglutinin, which labels bud scars that appear after every division [20], we observed an

increase of bud scar staining on mother cells in the column, as also visualized by confocal microscopy (Figure 1D and Figure 1-figure supplement 2D). These analyses confirmed known changes that characterize aging yeast: increased cell size, increased bud scars, and decreased population viability (Figure 1B, C, and D).

Next, we developed a combined experimental and mathematical method to determine the molecular phenotype of aging mother cells without contributions from daughter or dead cells. The approach exploits the fact that a system of linear equations can be solved when the number of unknowns equals the number of independent equations. Specifically, while we could determine the number of mothers, daughters, and dead cells in a sample using flow cytometry, the contribution of each type of cells to the measured abundance of a particular protein or transcript was unknown. Therefore, by measuring protein and transcript abundances in three mixed samples with various proportions of mothers, daughters, and dead cells, we could mathematically unmix the abundances. This resulted in unmixed data for the aging mother cells. Experiments using samples with mixed cell populations with known molecular phenotypes validated this mathematical unmixing method for the RNAseq transcriptome, targeted (selected reaction monitoring) proteome, and global (shotgun) proteome data with a <16% average error (Figure 2-figure supplement 1 and 2; supplemental note 1).

To use this data unmixing approach, we harvested three mixed samples for each time point (Figure 2A, Figure 2-figure supplement 3). One sample was collected from the column effluent (Mix 3, mainly daughter cells). Harvesting all cells from the column and applying a further enrichment step on a larger magnet produced the two other samples: one sample contained mainly aged mother cells (Mix 2, 80–99% mothers), while the other contained an intermediate composition compared to Mixes 2 and 3 (wash fraction, Mix 1). In each of these mixed-cell samples, we determined the fraction of mothers, daughters, and dead cells and generated the mixed-population proteomes and transcriptomes. Then, we mathematically unmixed the proteomes and transcriptomes to obtain the molecular phenotype of aging mother cells. The data was corrected for sampling artifacts related to bead labeling and cell harvesting (Figure 2-figure supplement 4 and supplemental notes 2 and 3). Together, through this approach, we obtained pure data for aging mother cells and daughter cells.

In two experimental series with overlapping time points, we generated 61 samples for both the proteome and the transcriptome as required for unmixing. After data processing, we obtained high quality data at 12 unique time points during the lifespan of replicatively aging yeast (Figure 2-figure supplement 5). We found the replicates to be in excellent agreement (Spearman correlations > 0.85) (Figure 2B and C). A unified data set was generated for both the proteome and the transcriptome by fitting the replicate datasets with a polynomial regression (Figure 2D and E), keeping highly reproducible data profiles (~85% of genes, Figure 2-figure supplement 6), and resampling the fit at the actual time points of the experiment. This yielded profiles for 1494 proteins and 4904 transcripts from aging mother cells. The raw data [22,23] and the data for each processing step are provided in the supplementary Tables S2 and S3 (Figure 2-source data 1 and 2). The final datasets for aging mother cells are presented in Table S4 (proteome) and Table S5 (transcriptome) (Figure 2-source data 3 and 4).

Biogenesis proteins increase relative to transcript levels during aging

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Correlation analyses between the proteomes of young cells and the proteomes of aging mother cells confirmed the expected divergence of the aging cell away from the youthful state (Figure 3A and Figure 3-figure supplement 1). Daughters from later time points showed a partially aged signature (Figure 3-figure supplement 2), consistent with the notion that rejuvenation of daughter cells is incomplete later in a mother's life [24]. Furthermore, we found agreement between specific proteome changes detected by us and observations present in literature, including changes related to glycolysis, and gluconeogenesis [13], increased expression levels in energy reserve pathway proteins [25], increases in stress response protein levels [26,27], and mitochondrial changes [28] (Figure 3B, Figure 3-figure supplement 3). Also, we confirmed that changes detected in our population-level study similarly occurred at the single-cell level, which excluded the possibility that our observed changes may reflect a gradual enrichment of a long lived subpopulation. Specifically, we see the levels of the stress-related chaperone Hsp104 and the translation elongation factor Tef1 to increase with age (Figure 3-figure supplement 4), similar to what was shown using a microfluidic platform tracking single cells [29]. Also, other single protein changes reported to occur in literature match well [15,21,28-33] (Figure 3-figure supplement 4). Together, these observations confirm the validity of our novel experimental design.

To obtain further insights into the global changes in protein expression in mother cells, we plotted our dynamic data as a heat map expression profiles. We found that changes started at young age, were gradual, and mostly occurred in one direction (i.e. up, down) (Figure 4A and B). Specifically, we found that 64% (184/288 total changes) of the proteins that showed a 2-fold change by the end of the yeast lifespan also showed a significant change in the same direction at an earlier time point (Figure 3B). These findings suggest that aging is a gradual process occurring from early on.

We next investigated whether these changes in the proteome data matched transcriptional changes. Interestingly, the RNAseq data showed similar gradual and unidirectional changes occurring from the beginning on (Figure 4-figure supplement 1A, 2, 3). To compare the changes between the proteome and transcriptome, we determined the non-parametric Spearman rank correlation, and found a starting correlation of 0.75, a value in agreement with other single-study comparisons between yeast proteomes and transcriptomes [34]. When comparing this correlation in time, however, we found that it declined steadily with age, down to a correlation of 0.70 (Figure 5A). This decreasing trend was observed regardless of the statistical method used (Figure 5-figure supplement 1). Furthermore, this trend is also not an experimental artifact, since samples originating from all time points were treated identically, and both proteome and transcriptome datasets originated from the same biological samples. The decrease in correlation between the proteome and transcriptome means that they do not change synchronously. Indeed, during aging, we found different GO terms to describe the changes in the proteins and transcripts that show a larger than 2-fold change during aging (Figure 3B vs. Figure 4-figure supplement 2A). These results indicate that, over time, protein levels were increasingly uncoupled from their transcript levels.

To identify the most uncoupled cellular processes, we plotted the fold-changes of transcript and protein expression in old and young cells on a gene product co-expression map (Figure 5A). The transcript and protein levels of genes in quadrants 1 (Q1) and 3 (Q3) were 'coupled', meaning that the changes in protein levels followed the changes in transcript levels. Q1 and Q3 were enriched in gene products related to sterol biosynthesis and cytoskeletal and cell wall processes, possibly related to cell growth. In contrast, the expression of gene products in quadrants 2 (Q2) and 4 (Q4) were 'uncoupled', meaning that the changes in protein levels did not follow the changes in transcript levels. In Q2, the proteins were overrepresented relative to their transcripts, i.e. there were more proteins per transcript in older cells than in younger cells. Of all analyzed transcript-protein pairs, 38.4% were located in Q2, suggesting a global tendency towards relative protein overabundance with aging (Figure 5). In line with this global protein overabundance, Q4 contained fewer genes and less GO-term enrichments. Strikingly, Q2 was strongly enriched in 'translation regulation' gene products (i.e. ribosome and protein biogenesis machinery) (Figure 5B), and the extent of their overabundance progressively increased as the cells aged (Figure 5-figure supplement 2, 3).

Network inference identifies protein biogenesis related genes as causal in yeast aging

Next we asked whether this increased level of biogenesis-related proteins, uncoupled from transcriptional regulation, was causal for downstream effects during replicative aging in yeast. Identifying causality on a systems-wide level is difficult, and the key challenge is to separate cause from downstream effects. However, our dynamically resolved, comprehensive data offered the possibility to reveal causal relationships.

To elucidate the causal order of changes during aging, we reconstructed a high-level directional network revealing the interdependences of changes in transcript expression (Figure 6, Figure 6figure supplement 1A). Therefore, we defined each transcript's expression profile as a network node, and an edge between each pair of nodes as a partial correlation between the nodes' expression profiles (Figure 6-figure supplement 1B and C). Next, we determined the directionality of the edges, indicated by arrows. We defined directionality to represent the ability of a transcript's profile to predict the profile of another transcript. Concretely, when looking at two connected nodes, the node that could be explained by the connected node was considered as the responsive node, while the predicting node was considered to be the causal node. (Figure 6figure supplement 1D and E) [35]. This relation defined the directionality of the edge. Any transcript that had no predictive ability and could not be predicted by any other transcript was removed from the network analysis. Following this, the nodes were clustered by maximizing the global modularity of the network [36] (Figure 6A and Figure 6-figure supplement 1). Finally, the clusters were ranked based on the ratio of causal nodes (outward arrows) to responsive nodes (inward arrows) per cluster to determine the higher-level causal relations existing between clusters. A sensitivity analysis was performed to determine the optimal sparsity of the network and the cut-off for the partial correlation among transcript profiles, through which we established that the network was a robust representation of the datasets (supplemental note 4, Table S7 Figure 6-source data 1). These steps produced a high-level directional network, in which the ranking of the clusters with respective GO enrichments revealed causal relations during aging (Figure 6B).

This high-level directional network of the transcriptome data showed that the very first causal-ranked cluster in the network that we detected was highly enriched for gene products associated with protein biogenesis (i.e. ribosome biogenesis and tRNA processing; Figure 6B). These are the same biological processes that had uncoupled transcript and protein levels (Figure 5B); indeed, genes from this causal cluster were enriched in Q2 of the co-expression map, which showed uncoupled expression (Figure 6-figure supplement 2A and B). These analyses suggest that the uncoupling of protein and transcript levels for 'biogenesis' related genes has a central role in the aging process, and may affect the transcript and protein abundances of other genes, as elaborated upon in the discussion.

Consequences for other cellular processes

The overabundance of proteins relative to transcripts must have consequences for cellular functioning. Protein overproduction could increase cell size, one of the first hallmarks described in yeast aging [19]. Increased cell size could reduce glucose influx rates per cell volume and induce metabolic changes, e.g. at low rates of glucose influx cells switch to respiration [37]. Indeed, in our transcript-based network analysis (Figure 6B) as well as in our proteome data set (Figure 3B) we found that metabolic signatures related to starvation and oxidative stress were consequences of aging.

Furthermore, we hypothesized that if protein levels become globally uncoupled from their transcript levels during aging (Figure 5), the optimal stoichiometry of proteins in complexes may be perturbed (Figure 7A). Indeed, using curated lists of protein complexes [38], we found that an increased deviation from the original stoichiometry occurred with aging (Figure 7B, C and D, and Figure 7-figure supplement 1, 2 and 3). We observed many complexes that were not previously implicated in aging to be age-affected, and we found previously implicated protein complexes such as the vacuolar ATPase [28] and the nuclear pore complex [30,31] to lose stoichiometry (Figure 7C and D and Figure 7-figure supplement 1, 2). The global stoichiometry loss was greater in aged mothers compared to the daughter population (Figure 7-figure supplement 3A), confirming that this is an aging-related phenotype. Additionally, we found that the stoichiometry loss was greater overall at the proteome level than at the transcriptome level (Figure 7B), supporting the observation that protein levels uncouple from their transcript levels.

Being built of fewer genes (1494 proteins versus 4904 transcripts), the high-level directional network of the proteome was less revealing than that of the transcriptome (Figure 7-figure supplement 4). The most causal cluster of the proteome network was enriched for chaperone proteins, reflecting a cellular response to internally changing conditions. Such conditions could include metabolic restructuring in response to an increased cell size or to aggregating proteins that are accumulating due to altered protein complex stoichiometry. Furthermore, we found that the causal clusters of the proteome network tended to be expressed according to their transcriptional message (i.e. coupled expression; Q1, Q3), while the responsive clusters represented increasingly uncoupled expression (Q2, Q4) (Figure 6-figure supplement 2C). This both confirmed the response of the cell to the accumulating changes occurring during aging and indicated that the effects of uncoupled protein expression are progressive over time. We see the clear downstream consequences during aging emerging in the proteome, including metabolic shifts, stoichiometric loss, aggregating proteins, and protein overproduction. All of these point to

pathways and processes that may become dysfunctional with aging, any of which may ultimately result in cell death.

Discussion:

Using our newly developed culturing and computational methods and state-of-the-art proteomics and transcriptomics analyses, we generated the first systems-level molecular phenotype of replicatively aging yeast. The comprehensiveness of the data allowed us to discover that protein biogenesis machinery genes, including ribosome, tRNA synthesis, and translation regulation genes, have their protein levels uncoupled from their mRNA levels during aging (Figure 5B). Furthermore, the dynamic nature of the data allowed us to pinpoint the transcripts of these genes as having the strongest ability to predict the behavior of others transcripts during aging (Figure 6B). Lastly, we observe metabolic changes, protein stress responses, and changes in the stoichiometry of many protein complexes (Figure 3B, 4, 7B).

Based on these analyses we propose a model whereby the uncoupling of protein levels of biogenesis-related genes from their transcript levels is causal for the changes occurring in aging yeast. The model proposes that proteins of the translation machinery that are uncoupled from transcript levels accumulate in cells with age Figure 5B). As the biogenesis genes are themselves involved in translation, their uncoupling might contribute to further uncoupling of the proteome from the transcriptome as a whole. This general uncoupling has degenerative effects (i.e. cell size increase, protein aggregations and loss of stoichiometry in protein complexes), that stimulate transcriptional responses in the cell (i.e. metabolic changes and activated stress responses), which further contributes to changes in the proteome. Although we cannot exclude the possibility of other causes even further upstream, the uncoupling of the protein biogenesis machinery is likely an early driver of replicative aging in yeast.

A question remains as to why the biogenesis-related class of proteins we identified as having protein levels uncoupled from their transcript levels become overrepresented in replicatively aging yeast in the first place. Ribosome footprinting has shown these proteins to be highly translated [39], and turnover experiments have shown them to be highly stable [40]; thus, it is possible that their overabundance may result from the combination of the dynamics of protein biogenesis, protein turnover, and mRNA stability. Interestingly, the ribosomal proteins themselves showed a low degree of loss of stoichiometry at the protein-complex level in our data (Figure 7C), supporting the idea that they are still active and contributing to uncoupling in the cell. In any case, the uncoupling of protein and transcript levels has downstream consequences for the cell that may explain many phenotypes of aging. First, cell size may increase due to protein overproduction and result in metabolic changes. Second, proteins being overproduced at different rates will alter protein complex stoichiometry. Many documented phenotypes of aging may result from this, including the formation of protein aggregates [26], increased ROS formation by a dysfunctional mitochondrial transport chain [41], and loss of gene silencing [42]. The sum of these may ultimately lead to system failure for the organism.

Directly targeting certain failing protein complexes or downstream deleterious effects results in replicative lifespan extension, but we suggest that many of these effects will prove to be cell

type- and growth condition-specific. Our model predicts that a more robust extension of lifespan may be possible in many organisms by targeting the causal factor in aging, protein biogenesis. Indeed, altering the rates of protein production (i.e. translation) or degradation (i.e. autophagy) have repeatedly been shown to influence longevity across a wide range of organisms (see [10,43,44]). The translation activators TOR and S6 kinase fall into this category, and decreases in their activity result in increased lifespan in yeast [45,46], worms [47,48], flies [49], and mice [50,51], as does calorie restriction and drugs such as rapamycin, which are also modulators of protein biogenesis pathways [43]. Likewise, deletions in ribosomal subunit components have positive effects on lifespan in both yeast [52] and worms [53]. Our model suggests why these interventions and mutations have a lifespan-extending effect in a broad spectrum of organisms, namely because protein biogenesis machinery is itself a driver of aging.

Materials and methods:

Aging Yeast

Strains and medium

The prototrophic *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* strain YSBN6 (Mata) was used for the phenotyping of yeast replicative aging [54]. The cells were grown in yeast nitrogen base (YNB) without amino acids (ForMedium, Norfolk, UK) supplemented with 2% glucose, at a temperature of 30°C, unless indicated differently. Precultures in flasks were shaken at 300 RPM.

Replicates of samples not processed by the steps involving biotinylation and the attachment of beads (termed "unprocessed samples") were precultured in the above medium for minimum 24 hours in mid exponential growth phase and were immediately pelleted (5 min $2500 \times G$) and snap frozen in liquid nitrogen.

Preparing the cells for column captured culturing in aging columns

Prior to loading the cells onto the aging columns, the cells were biotinylated and labeled with iron beads (Figure 1–figure supplement 1) in a manner adapted from [17], as follows: The yeast YSBN6 was pre-cultured for minimally 24 hours in a mid-exponentially growing growth phase, having an OD₆₀₀ below 1. Cells were harvested and concentrated by gently centrifugation, 10min 2500×G. For one column, 3×10^9 cells were resuspended in 1 ml 2×PBS (phosphate buffered saline), immediately mixed with 14 mg Sulfo-NHS-LC-Biotin (Thermo Scientific, Rockford, IL, USA) dissolved in 1 ml cold (4°C) water and incubated in a shaker (800 rpm) at room temperature for 20 minutes. The biotinylated cells were washed twice with 1×PBS at room temperature and were resuspended in 100 ml pre-warmed YNB plus 2% glucose and incubated for 90 minutes at 30°C shaken at 300 RPM. At room temperature, the cells were pelleted by gentle centrifugation (5min, 2500×G), washed with 1×PBS, resuspended in 4 ml 1×PBS, mixed with 750 μ l of streptavidin coated BioMag beads (Qiagen, Germantown, MD, USA) and incubated for 30 min on a lab rocker. The bead-labeled cells were concentrated in ~0.5 ml PBS by gentle centrifugation (5min, 2500×G) and 2×10⁹ cells were loaded onto the magnetized aging column.

The aging columns setup

The aging column setup is a closed system, where cells are cultivated on a magnetized iron meshwork under a constant flow of medium (Figure 1–figure supplement 1B and C). The setup was designed to ensure a sterile environment within the system, continuous removal of daughter cells, and constant oxygen and nutrient concentrations in the medium. Table S1 (Figure 1-source data 1) shows materials used for its construction and operation.

The core of the setup for column captured cell cultivation is the 0.3" Negative Selection Column combined with a 3-way stopcock (Stemcell Technologies Inc., Figure 1-source data 1 Table S1), which is placed in a magnetic field. Four magnets (StemSep™ Red Magnet, Stemcell Technologies) were placed in a stand (custom made, Figure 1–figure supplement 1D), and four stands with magnets were connected in a row to run 16 columns simultaneously. The rim at the top of the column was cut with a sharp scalpel, to enable connection with 15 cm long silicone tubing (Si, inner diameter (id) 8mm, outer diameter (od) 11mm, Si 8-11, Figure 1–figure supplement 1C, Figure 1-source data 1 Table S1). Silicone tubing was chosen, as it is air permeable. The T-connector (od 10 mm, C T-10) on top serves to connect the column with the inlet tubing from the side and a 6 cm long tubing closed with a clamp (C.II).

The pump (BVP standard motor, MS/CA4-12 + 3× MS/CA4-12 extensions; Ismatec) provided a constant medium flow over the column. The pump tubing (Pharmed, BPT Tubing, 1.52 mm ID, 400 mm length) connected the 20L medium jar (20L round HDPE bottle, Nalgene) to the column via 2 long pieces of 2m silicone tubing (id 2 mm, od 4 mm, Si 2-4). The Silicone tubing between pump and column could be closed with clamp C.II. The flow rate of medium over the column was set at 170 ml/h.

The medium jar was closed with a 5-layered aluminum foil top prior to autoclaving. 5 syringes with their plungers removed were punched through the aluminum foil and 4 were connected inside the jar to a 60 cm long silicone tubing (id 6 mm, od 8 mm, Si 6-8). The end of the tubing was weighted down with a glass pipet, in order to have the inlet remain at the bottom of the jar. The syringe barrels at the top of the jar were closed with small pieces of aluminum foil during autoclaving and attached to the Si 2-4 silicon inlet tubing prior to the start of the column run. The fifth syringe without its plunger and without silicon tubing was attached on the outside to Si 2-4 silicone tubing, with pressurized sterile air, to provide an overpressure of sterile air in the medium jar. The medium jar was filled with 20L autoclaved Yeast Nitrogen Base without amino acids (YNB) prior to autoclaving and was subsequently supplemented with 2% filter sterilized glucose.

The effluent of the column goes down via silicone Si 2-4 tubing, passes a quick release connector, and goes up via silicone Si 4-6 tubing to an air chamber. The tubing can be closed with a clamp (C.III). The air chamber breaks the laminar medium flow, allowing the liquid to drip down via silicone Si 4-6 tubing into a waste jar (20L round HDPE bottle, Nalgene). The air chamber consists of a T-connector (od 10 mm, C T-10) connected at all 3 sides with 6 cm silicone Si 8-11 tubing and a tube connector.

Loading the aging columns

Prior to loading the columns with the biotinylated yeast cells, the system was primed with sterile medium for about 1 hour, having clamp C.I and C.III open. The medium flow was then stopped on the pump and clamps C.I and C.III were closed and clamp C.II opened. The quick release was opened and clamp C.III was shortly opened to lower the medium level to the iron meshwork. The column was detached from the tubing and the magnet and 2×10^9 cells were pipetted onto the column and gently sucked into the meshwork by a 5 ml syringe attached to the

stopcock below the column. The stopcock was closed, ~2ml fresh medium was pipetted on top of the column and the column was reattached to the tubing and placed in the magnet. Clamp C.I was opened and the medium flow was restarted. After some medium was collected on top of the column, clamp C.III was opened. Clamp C.II was kept open until the medium level above the column stabilized halfway in the tubing above the column. This level could be adjusted by the height of the air chamber in the effluent tubing (Figure 1-figure supplement 1B). The cells were kept surrounded by liquid media throughout all cultivation time.

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Harvesting aged yeast cells

In order to harvest mother cells, the pump was stopped, clamps C.I and C.III were closed and clamp C.II opened. Only the specific pump tubing was disconnected from the pump, and the pump was restarted. The quick release was disconnected and by shortly opening clamp C.III, the medium level was lowered to just above the meshwork. The tubing on top of the column was detached and a 20 ml syringe was connected to the stopcock below the column. While keeping the column at the magnet, 15 ml fresh medium was provided on top of the column, while the column effluent was collected by the syringe. This step was repeated for 2 or 3 times, until the effluent was clear. This combined column effluent sample was kept on ice (effluent fraction, sample: Mix 3, Figure 2-figure supplement 3A). The column was detached from the magnet and again 15 ml fresh medium was provided on top of the column and the effluent was collected by a new syringe. This was repeated 2 or 3 times, until the medium was clear. This combined column fraction (column fraction, later to be split into Mix 1 and 2, Figure 2–figure supplement 3A) was also kept on ice.

After harvesting, the samples consisted of mixes of aged mother cells, dead cells, and daughter cells. In order to obtain a higher purity of aged mother cells, an enrichment step was required for the column fraction. The cells were gently centrifuged (10 min 2500xG), resuspended in 7 ml cold PBS and transferred to a glass test tube. The test tube was placed in a magnet ("The Big Easy" EasySepTM Magnet, Stemcell technologies Inc.) for 5 minutes (Figure 2-figure supplement 3A, panel II). The supernatant was removed by pipetting and the magnet bound cells were resuspended in fresh and cold PBS. This was repeated 2 times, at which time the supernatant was clear. The supernatant fractions were combined and kept on ice (wash fraction, sample: Mix 1). The cells that were retained in the magnet were resuspended in 2 ml PBS after removal from the magnet (mother enriched fraction, sample: Mix 2) (Figure 2-figure supplement 3A, panel III). The samples were pelleted by gentle centrifugation (4 min, 4°C, 2500×G) and immediately snap frozen in liquid nitrogen. A small aliquot of each of three samples was kept aside to measure the fractions of live and dead cells, mother and daughter cells, and to obtain the cell count per sample.

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Harvesting timepoints

Based on the population viability curves generated from the columns during test campaigns, the average lifespan of yeast being roughly 20-30 divisions, and the doubling time of the YSBN6 strain being roughly 2 hours, it was decided to collect aged samples up to 72h of aging, with roughly 42% of viable cells expected in the last sample (Figure 1B). There is cell-to-cell variation in the replication rates of yeast and so with time the distribution of replicative ages per sample increase. These distributions were modelled based on the variation of the replication rates as quantified from single cell microfluidic data (unpublished data). In a mathematical model, a start culture of 1000 cells having a random replication rate according to a Poisson distribution around an average replication rate of 0.5h⁻¹ was allowed to replicate (and age) in time (Figure 1–figure supplement 4). Consistent with our empirical observations counting bud scars in the population (Figure 1–figure supplement 2D), with increasing elapsed time, the distributions of the number of replications per cell became wider. Linearly spaced harvesting in time would cause increasing information overlap between neighboring time points, thus it was decided to harvest samples exponentially spaced in time (Figure 1–figure supplement 4).

Finally, we performed two replicate runs of the column captured cell culturing campaigns. Campaign 1 generated an unprocessed sample and 14 column samples and replicate campaign 2 generated another unprocessed sample and 8 column samples. In total, two unprocessed samples combined with 16 unique time points were generated (Figure 2–figure supplement 5).

Flow cytometry analysis of sample composition

In each sample the cells were counted on a BD AccuriTM C6 flowcytometer (Becton, Dickinson and Company, New Jersey, USA). To quantify the fractions of mother cells, dead cells, and daughter cells in the samples, the cells were stained with dyes and analyzed by flow cytometry using the BD AccuriTM C6. From each aliquot, 2×10⁶ cells were pelleted and resuspended in 100 µl PBS, and simultaneously stained for 30 min at room temperature with 5 µl 5mg/ml Fluorescein conjugated Avidin (AvF, Thermo Scientific, Rockford, USA) and 2µl 2mM Propidium Iodide (PI, Fluka/Sichma-Aldrich Co., St. Louis, MO, USA). Mother cells, which are biotinylated (see section Materials and methods, Preparing the cells for column captured culturing in aging columns), were stained with AvF, dead mother or dead daughter cells were stained with PI, live daughter cells remained unstained (Figure 1-figure supplement 5). The Fluorescein was excited by a laser of 488 nm wave length and detected in the range of 533 +/- 30 nm, PI was excited by a laser of 488 nm and detected in the range of >670 nm. The beads were excluded from any analysis by gating (Figure 1-figure supplement 5B, left panels). The flow cytometer events were plotted for their PI and AvF intensities in a scatter plot, clear clusters for stained and unstained, both in PI and AvF channel, were apparent. The fractional enrichments were obtained in the BD CS AccuriTM C6 Software 1.0 (Figure 1-figure supplement 5).

Validations of column captured cultivation

Oxygen concentration in medium: The oxygen concentration was measured by using the Optical Oxygen Meter Fibox 3 (PreSens - Precision Sensing GmbH, Regensburg, Germany). The flow-cell, an oxygen-sensitive spot glued in a polystyrene tube, was connected to tubing in front of the aging column, to measure the O_2 concentration in fresh medium and connected to the effluent tubing, to measure the O_2 concentration in the column effluent. Each measurement was done within 10 minutes to avoid that the measurements were influenced by the accumulation of yeast cells in the flow-cell, which would alter readings.

Glucose consumption on the column: The glucose concentration in the medium and in the column effluent was measured with a commercially available enzyme-based assay EnzytecTM fluid D-Glucose (Thermo Fisher Scientific GmbH). The column effluent samples were harvested by collecting medium from the column outlet, by opening the quick release below the column (Figure 1–figure supplement 1B and C). The column effluent sample was immediately placed on ice, shortly centrifuged (30s, $>16k \times G$) to remove the cells, and the glucose concentration was measured.

Bud scar counting: The number of bud scars was counted using microscopy and evaluated from flow cytometery data.

For microscopy, 1×10^7 cells were resuspended in 0.5 ml PBS supplemented with 25 µl 5mg/ml Alexa 633 labeled wheat germ agglutinin (WGA, Life Technologies), 50 µl 5 mg/ml AvF and 20 µl 2mM PI and incubated for 90 min at room temperature (see "Flow cytometry analysis of sample composition"). The images were taken on a commercial laser scanning microscope Zeiss LSM710 (Carl Zeiss, MicroImaging, Jena, Germany), using ZEN2010B software. The dyes were excited with different solid state lasers; PI and AvF were excited with a wavelength of 488 nm and emission was recorded between 607 – 797 and 493 – 564 nm wavelength, respectively; WGA-Alexa 633 was excited, with a wavelength of 633 nm and emission was recorded between 638 – 797 nm wavelength in a stack of 10 images with a z-scaling of 0.8 micrometer (Figure 1D, inset). Only living mother cells were selected (containing AvF, without PI) and the bud scars were counted independently by two researchers.

For flow cytometry, 2×10^6 cells were resuspended in 100 µl PBS supplemented with 7 µl 5mg/ml WGA-Alexa 633 and incubated for 30 min at room temperature. The cells were excited in the flow cytometer by a laser with 640 nm wavelength and emission was recorded with a filter selecting for 675+/-25 nm. The mean fluorescence intensity for R2 is normalized to R1 t = 0h, to be plotted on the same scale (Figure 1D).

Life span curve: For viability of mother (Avidin-FITC positive) and daughter (Avidin-FITC negative) cells at each time point in the aging column, viability of the mother and daughter cells was assessed in each mixed-cell sample (derived from proportions of live (PI negative) and dead (PI positive) cells (Figure 1-figure supplement 5, Figure 2-figure supplement 3B)). These scores were weighted based on the number of cells present in each of these samples (derived from raw numbers as presented in Figure 1-figure supplement 3). This ensures that the viability of mothers and daughters (Figure 1C) reflects the entire population, since mothers and daughters in different mixed-cell samples may have slightly different ratios of live to dead cells. The microfluidic based lifespan curve was obtained from authors of [18], based on 2641 cells, plotted as viability versus time.

Proteome analysis

¹⁵N standards

Protein extracts from isotopically labeled ¹⁵N YSBN6 yeast cells were used as an internal standard for the targeted Selected Reaction Monitoring (SRM) proteomics experiments. For the preparation of the ¹⁵N standards, yeast was cultivated in two 2.5L-fermentors on minimal or synthetic Verduyn medium [55], supplemented with 10 g/L glucose and using ¹⁵N-labeled (NH₄)₂SO₄ as the sole nitrogen source. Cells were harvested in the different growth phases, namely the log phase (L), the deceleration phase (D) and the stationary phase (S, Figure 2–figure supplement 1A). Aliquots from all conditions were mixed (1:1:1) to maximize the coverage of targeted proteins.

Cell lysis and protein extraction

Cell pellets were resuspended in 1.85M sodium hydroxide plus 7.4 % v/v β -mercaptoethanol at a concentration of 1×10^8 cells per 100 μ L and incubated for 10 minutes on ice. An equal volume of 100% w/v trichloric acid (TCA) was added and was subsequently incubated 10 minutes on ice. The precipitated proteins were collected by centrifugation (16k×G, 10 min, 4 °C).

The pellet was washed with 200 µL cold acetone and incubated for 30 min at -20 °C. Finally, the protein pellet was collected by centrifugation (16×G, 10 min, 4 °C), and removal of supernatant. The precipitated proteins were resuspended in 100 µl 2% w/v sodium deoxycholate plus 100 mM ammonium bicarbonate (ABC) per 1×10⁸ cells. For the targeted proteomics the ¹⁵N-labelled protein extracts were added in a 1:1 ratio, based on the cell counts. Samples were incubated for 5 minutes at 90°C to solubilize. Magnetic beads present in a subset of the samples were removed at this stage by collecting them on the commercially available magnet tube rack DynaMagTM-2 (Life Technologies/Thermo Fisher Scientific Co. Carlsbad, California, United States).

Digestion and cleanup

The solubilized proteins were reduced with 12 mM dithiothreitol (30 min at 55 °C) and alkylated with 40 mM iodoacetamide (45 min at 30 °C, in the dark). Samples were diluted with 100 mM acetonitrile (ABC) to dilute the sodium deoxycholate to 1% w/v prior to overnight digestion with trypsin (1:100, sequencing grade modified trypsin V5111, Promega) at 37 °C. Then, 10% v/v formic acid (FA) was added to the solution to precipitate the deoxycholate, which was subsequently removed by centrifugation (16k ×G, 10 minutes). Cleanup prior to LC-MS analysis was done with C18-SPE columns (SPE C18-Aq 50 mg/1ml, Gracepure). This column was conditioned with 3× 1 ml ACN plus 0.1% v/v FA, and re-equilibrated with 3× 1 ml 0.1% v/v FA before application of the samples at a total amount of maximally 1 mg total protein per column. The bound peptides were washed with 2× 1ml 0.1% v/v FA and eluted with 3× 0.4 ml 50% v/v ACN plus 0.1% v/v FA. The eluted fractions were dried under vacuum and resuspended in 0.1% v/v FA to a final concentration of around 1 μ g/ μ ul.

Targeted proteomics (SRM)

SRM analyses were performed on a triple quadrupole mass spectrometer with a nanoelectrospray ion source (TSQ Vantage, Thermo Scientific). Chromatographic separation of the peptides was performed by liquid chromatography on a nano UHPLC system (Ultimate UHPLC focused, Dionex) using a nano column (Acclaim PepMap100 C18, 75 μ mx150mm 3 μ m, 100 Å). Samples were injected at a total amount of 1 μ g using the μ l-pickup system using 0.1% v/v formic acid as transport liquid from a cooled autosampler (5 °C) and loaded onto a trap column (μ Precolumn cartridge, Acclaim PepMap100 C18, 5 μ m, 100 Å, 300 μ m id, 5 mm Dionex). Peptides were separated on the nano-LC column using a linear gradient from 3-45 % v/v ACN plus 0.1% v/v formic acid in 30 minutes at a flowrate of 0.3 μ l/min. The mass spectrometer was operated in the positive mode at a spray voltage of 1500V, a capillary temperature of 270 °C, a half maximum peak width of 0.7 for Q1 and Q3, a collision gas pressure of 1.2 mTorr and a cycle time of 1.2 ms. The measurements were scheduled in windows of 4 minutes around the pre-determined retention time, with a maximum of 150 concurrent transitions.

The MS traces were manually curated using the Skyline software [56]. The sum of all transition peak areas for the endogenous and standard (¹⁵N labeled) peptide was used to calculate the ratio between the endogenous and standard peptides. Only peptides that were minimally quantified with two transitions and with a peak area of the ¹⁵N standard above 10.000 for both technical replicates were considered for quantification. The ratios on protein level were calculated by averaging the ratio of all peptides per protein. In order to correct for global errors made in the protein concentration determination of either the endogenous samples or the ¹⁵N labeled standard, the median of all datasets were normalized to the same value.

Shotgun proteomics

1 μg of peptides of each sample were subjected to LC–MS analysis using a dual pressure LTQ-Orbitrap Velos mass spectrometer connected to an electrospray ion source (Thermo Fisher Scientific) as described recently [57] with a few modifications. In brief, peptide separation was carried out using an EASY nLC-1000 system (Thermo Fisher Scientific) equipped with a RP-HPLC column (75 μm \times 45 cm) packed in-house with C18 resin (ReproSil-Pur C18–AQ, 1.9 μm resin; Dr. Maisch GmbH, Ammerbuch-Entringen, Germany) using a linear gradient from 95% solvent A (0.15% formic acid, 2% acetonitrile) and 5% solvent B (98% acetonitrile, 0.15% formic acid) to 28% solvent B over 120 min at a flow rate of 0.2 μl/min. The data acquisition mode was set to obtain one high resolution MS scan in the FT part of the mass spectrometer at a resolution of 60,000 full width at half-maximum (at m/z 400) followed by MS/MS scans in the linear ion trap of the 20 most intense ions. The charged state screening modus was enabled to exclude unassigned and singly charged ions and the dynamic exclusion duration was set to 30s. The ion accumulation time was set to 300 ms (MS) and 50 ms (MS/MS).

For label-free quantification, the generated raw files were imported into the Progenesis LC-MS software (Nonlinear Dynamics, Version 4.0) and analyzed using the default parameter settings. MS/MS-data were exported directly from Progenesis LC-MS in mgf format and searched against a decoy database the forward and reverse sequences of the predicted proteome from *S. cerevisae* (SGD, download date: 15/6/2012, total of 13,590 entries) using MASCOT (version 2.4.0). The search criteria were set as follows: full tryptic specificity was required (cleavage after lysine or arginine residues); 3 missed cleavages were allowed; carbamidomethylation (C) was set as fixed modification; oxidation (M) as variable modification. The mass tolerance was set to 10 ppm for precursor ions and 0.6 Da for fragment ions. Results from the database search were imported into Progenesis and the final peptide feature list and the protein list containing the summed peak areas of all identified peptides for each protein, respectively, were exported from Progenesis LC-MS. Both lists were further statically analyzed using an in-house developed R script (SafeQuant) and the peptide and protein false discovery rate (FDR) was set to 1% using the number of reverse hits in the dataset [57].

Transcriptomics

mRNA extraction

For the extraction of mRNA from yeast, the RiboPureTM RNA Purification Kit, yeast (Ambion®, Life Technologies/Thermo Fisher Scientific Co. Carlsbad, California, United States) was used as described by the manufacturer. Frozen cell pellets of 3×10⁷ cells were suspended in the lysis mixture. Vortexing was done by using the The Ambion® Vortex Adapter (Ambion®, Life Technologies/Thermo Fisher Scientific Co. Carlsbad, California, United States). The mRNA was collected in 70 μl elution solution. The quality and yield of the RNA was checked with a NanoDrop ND-1000 Spectrophotometer (Thermo Fisher Scientific, Waltham, MA USA). The samples were stored as 5 μg mRNA aliquots at -80 °C. 1 μl of 1:10 diluted mixture of 92 polyadenylated non-yeast transcripts was added as a spike-in for sequencing quality control (ERCC RNA Spike-In control mix, Life Technologies, Carlsbad, California, United States) [58].

mRNA sequencing and mapping

The mRNA was sequenced by ServiceXS (Leiden, The Netherlands). The quality and integrity of the RNA-samples was determined with a Nanodrop ND1000 spectrophotometer and analyzed on a RNA 6000 Lab-on-a-Chip using bioanalyzer (Agilent Technologies, Santa Clara, CA, USA). The cDNA libraries were generated by using the Illumina TruSeq mRNA-Seq Sample Prep Kit v2 (Illumina, San Diego, CA, USA). In short, mRNA was isolated from total RNA using the oligo-dT-magnetic beads, fragmented and cDNA synthesis was performed. The cDNA was ligated with the sequencing adapters and amplified by PCR. The quality of the amplified cDNA was measured with a DNA 1000 Lab-on-a-Chip. The fragment sizes ranged between 300 and 500 bp.

The cDNA was clustered in the flow cell of the sequencer by an Illumina cBot and the sequencing was done on an Illumina HiSeq 2000. A cDNA concentration of 4.5 pM was used for sequencing, in two reads of 100 cycles each, controlled by the HiSeq control software HCS v2.0.12.0. Image analysis, base calling and quality checks were performed with the Illumina data analysis pipeline RTA v1.13.48 and/or OLB v1.9 and CASAVA v1.8.2. All data consisted of >0.9 Gb read depth and a quality Q30-score >80% per sample. One time point set, replicate 1 t10 (26.8hrs), was excluded by this criteria.

Reads were mapped to EF4 genome assembly using TopHat software v2.0.8 and gene annotation from Ensembl release 71. Per gene expression values were calculated using Cufflinks/Cuffdiff package v. 2.1.1. Data quality was assessed by principle component analysis on the resulting raw data of spike-in controls, and of all gene profiles. Outliers resulting from poor sequencing results in the spike-in (i.e., Figure 2-source data 2 Table S3.1, samples from replicate 1: t2_M_Feb and t7_EW_Feb) or the full genome profiles (i.e., Figure 2-source data 2 Table S3.1, samples from replicate 2: t14_M_May, t14_D_May and t14_EW_May) were removed. As a result 3 time points were omitted: replicate 1 t2 (1hr), replicate 1 t7 (14hrs), replicate 2 t14 (53hrs)). In total, 4 time points were omitted.

Data processing

Mathematical unmixing

Mathematical unmixing rests on the idea that a system of linear equations can be solved when (i) the number of equations is equal to the number of unknowns and (ii) these are independent (see supplemental note 1 below for terminology, explanation, and validation of the method). In our experiment this idea was implemented, for each time point, by means of a weighted 'unmixing' matrix (**W**) whose rows represent the fractions of cell types (i.e. mothers, dead, and daughter cells) in the harvested 'mixed-cell samples'. The fractional composition of each mixed-cell sample was acquired by using flow cytometry on dye stained cells, using PI and AvF to assess the amount of live mother cells, dead cells, and daughter cells (see: Materials and Methods, Flow cytometry analysis of sample composition, and see Figure 2-source data 1 Table S2.f for each time point's matrix).

For the mathematical unmixing validation experiments, the fractional compositions of the mixed-cell samples were defined by mixing different pure cell sample types (i.e. log-phase, deceleration-phase, and stationary-phase cells) in known ratios. Protein and mRNA abundance values for the mixed-cell samples were measured by targeted (SRM) proteomics (for validation only) and shotgun proteomics (for validation and aging cells), or RNA seq transcriptomics (for

validation and aging cells). Equation (3), present in the supplemental note 1 below, was implemented using a custom R script for the actual unmixing procedure. Following the unmixing of the data, should the resulting data contain "unsolvable" entries (see supplemental note 1 below), a data quality criteria was applied: at least five time points per time trace (0 hour – 72 hour) should be solvable, otherwise the protein or transcript was removed from the dataset. In cases which passed this criteria but still contained one or more unsolvable entries in the time series, the missing data was linearly interpolated by the time points neighboring the data in question using the 'approx' interpolation function in R, implemented by the zoo package [59]. Datasets were subsequently normalized to one million for both the shotgun proteomes and transcriptomes.

Correction for effect of beads

A simple correction step accommodating for the specific protein losses caused by the presence of the beads was applied to the relevant data, and is explained in the supplemental note 2 below. The loss was specific for a protein, highly reproducible and independent of the ratio of beads to cells (Figure 2–figure supplement 4). Briefly, a protein specific correction factor was calculated for each protein of the proteome from the difference between a sample with and without beads, averaged over 2 replicates. The correction was applied to the raw proteome datasets, prior to mathematical unmixing, and on all samples that contained beads.

Selection of the young time point reference sample

A young time point to compare aged cells to was selected and processed as described in the supplemental note 3 below. Briefly, the time series proteome and transcriptome data were standardized to the difference between the starting time point (7.8 hour in the column) and an unprocessed sample, and only data from 7.8 hour and later was considered in the analyses. This was done to avoid mislabeling any biological recovery from the biotinylation and loading procedure as being aging related and to maintain quantitative datasets for analysis.

Data fitting and filtering

For both the shotgun proteomes and transcriptomes, replicate datasets were fitted with a LOESS polynomial regression using a standard span value of 0.75 [60], using the replicates of unprocessed samples, and the replicate time series of 7.8 hour - 72 hour, as input for the regression. Final datasets were generated by resampling the regression fit at each time point physically sampled in the experiment (including those prior to 7.8 hour, for completeness and consistency). Datasets are available in Table S2.5a and S3.5a for each of the proteome and transcriptome supplementary Tables (Figure 2-source data 1 and 2). A noise threshold was applied to the time series datasets using the coefficient of variation between replicates with a cutoff of 0.3, corresponding to retention of 90.9% and 84.4% of the most reproducible data for the proteome and transcriptome, respectively (Figure 2–figure supplement 6) (dataset available in Figure 2-source data 3 and 4, Table S4 and S5). From this final dataset of 1494 proteins and 4904 transcripts, 2 proteins and 2 transcripts contained a negative data point in their time series profiles, and were removed from both mother and daughter datasets in subsequent analyses. Unless specified otherwise (see network methods), the final datasets used for analyses consisted of the fitted regression data (Figure 2-source data 3 and 4, Table S4 and S5), from 7.8 hour of cultivation and later.

GO term selection and annotation

Gene functional enrichments were determined by using the DAVID Bioinformatics Resources version 6.7 [61]. Corresponding background gene lists of indicated size (Figure 3-source data 1 Table S6) were used for each enrichment analysis. Annotation clusters determined by DAVID (groupings of related genes based on the agreement of sharing similar annotation terms) having an enrichment score of > 0.5 were selected for consideration, if a GO term was enriched in the cluster with a *p*-value < 0.1. For larger datasets, a more stringent enrichment score cutoff of either > 0.9 or > 1.0 was used, as seen from lowest score cutoffs listed in the table below per analysis. A representative naming for the enrichment was selected after evaluation of the annotation cluster's GO terms (see Figure 3-source data 1 Table S6). Visualization of representative terms in clouds was made using the R wordcloud package [62] using the annotation cluster enrichment score as a size-scaling factor. If duplicate terms were present within a GO term enrichment list, the higher enrichment was used for visualization purposes. In one instance (the most responsive cluster of the proteome network) an unclear term ('BNR repeat') representing 3 genes was omitted even though it passed our criteria for inclusion.

Protein complex deregulation

A curated list of protein complexes derived from the 'cellular component' gene ontology was downloaded from yeastgenome.org [38]. Using the fold changes of gene products (i.e. either proteins or transcripts) at any given time point within a protein complex of interest, the degree of deregulation was assessed by measuring the interquartile of the distribution of the fold changes of the complex's gene products.

Network analysis

To infer the high-level directional networks (Figure 6B, Figure 7–figure supplement 4B) and find causal relations, six data analysis steps (Figure 6-figure supplement 1A) were undertaken, as expanded upon below in the supplemental note 4. Briefly, these were: 1. Starting from the replicate datasets, the gene expression time series of both the transcriptome and proteome were filtered to remove flat and/or noisy profiles using the R package GPREGE [63]. 2. The gene product networks (i.e transcriptome or proteome) were generated, based on the gene profiles of the respective time course data sets, using the R package GeneNet [35,64]. This included generating an undirected network by calculating the partial correlation among gene profiles (Figure 6-figure supplement 1B and C, Figure 7-figure supplement 4A). 3. Following this, a directed network was generated from the undirected network, based on an assessment of a gene profile's ability to predict another gene profile (Figure 6-figure supplement 1D and E, Figure 7-figure supplement 4A) [35,64]. 4. The nodes in the network were clustered together. using the method in [65] using the R package igraph (Figure 6A, Figure 7-figure supplement 4A) [34]. The causal in/out connections among genes were calculated for all the network clusters and listed in a direction matrix (listed in Figure 6-source data 1 Table S7). 5. A high-level directional network was generated, where the clusters are plotted in order of their causal ranking by drawing the direction matrix as arrows between the clusters. 6. A sensitivity analysis was made to determine the optimal sparsity of the networks and the cut-off for the partial correlation among gene profiles.

Figure legends:

 Figure 1. Experimental design for analysis of molecular changes during the replicative lifespan of yeast and its validation. (A) Schematic overview of the column-based cultivation and data analysis pipeline with 16 parallel columns, where (zoom in) mother cells (M) containing streptavidin-bound (green triangles) iron beads (black circles) are captured on the magnetized column and aged under constant environmental conditions, while the daughter cells (D) are flushed away. Samples are collected in two replicate campaigns (R1, R2) at indicated time points in the lifespan. (B) Flow-cytometry based assessment of viability of mother (Avidin-FITC positive) and daughter (Avidin-FITC negative) cells in R1 and R2, calculated for each time point comparing viable (PI negative) vs inviable (PI positive) cells in harvested samples Mix 1-3 (see figure 2A for explanation of Mix 1-3). Solid black line represents cell viability in time measured for the same strain in the same media using a microfluidic device [21] (data from [18] was obtained from the authors). (C) Cell size is qualitatively assessed with median forward scatter of live mothers (Avidin-FITC positive, PI negative) vs live daughters (Avidin-FITC and PI negative). Dashed line represents the median forward scatter of young cells that have reached the fully-grown cell size to start their first division. (D) Aging is qualitatively assessed throughout the experiment by observing an increase in median WGA intensity over time in a population of primarily mothers (Mix 2) compared to a sample composed primarily of daughters flushed out of the column (Mix 3). Inset: bright field (BF) and fluorescence microscopy image of cell stained with AlexaFluor 633 conjugated wheat-germ agglutinin (WGA) which selectively binds chitin in bud scars. Scale bar 5 µm.

Figure 1-figure supplement 1. Setup of the aging columns.

Figure 1-figure supplement 2. Cellular aging under constant conditions.

Figure 1-figure supplement 3. Cell counts per timepoint.

Figure 1-figure supplement 4. Simulated yeast aging population dynamics.

Figure 1–figure supplement 5. Characterization of mixed-cell samples.

Figure 1-source data 1. Table S1: Materials used for construction of novel column-based cultivation method.

Figure 2. Mathematical unmixing of proteomes and transcriptomes in mixed-cell populations. (A) For each time-point in the aging experiment three samples (mixed-cell samples 1,2,3; originating from different harvesting steps) and composed of different fractions of Mother (M, green), Daughter (D, blue) and Dead cells (De, red) were harvested and analyzed. On the basis of the compositions of the mixed-cell samples ($W_{M,D,De}$) and the determined proteome or transcriptome data of the mixed-cell samples ($A_{mix1,2,3}$), with the mathematical unmixing we obtained unmixed data ($A_{M,D,S}$) over the time course of 72 hours, from 2 replicates. See Figure 1-figure supplement 5 for details about determining the composition of the mixed-cell samples and Figure 2-figure supplement 3 for the un-mixing method. Data from proteome (B) and transcriptome (C) replicates highly correlated (Spearman correlation > 0.85) for mother (circles) and daughter cells (squares), indicating high reproducibility of the experimental and data processing pipelines. (D, E) Levels of random chosen proteins (D) and transcripts (E) from both replicate measurements (grey) and the fit (solid line) are indicated for unmixed mother data. Raw abundance is a measure of MS peak intensities (proteome) or Fragments Per Kilobase of transcript per Million mapped reads (FPKM) (transcriptome).

Figure 2-figure supplement 1. Validation of the mathematical un-mixing procedure. Figure 2-figure supplement 2. Validation of the mathematical un-mixing procedure, shotgun proteome and RNA sequencing. Figure 2-figure supplement 3. Generation and composition of the mixed-cell samples. Figure 2-figure supplement 4. Validation of the bead effect correction. Figure 2–figure supplement 5. Overview of the experimental pipeline. Figure 2-figure supplement 6. Selection of genes with highest similarity between replicates. Figure 2-source data 1. Table S2: The shotgun proteome data processing Figure 2-source data 2. Table S3: The transcriptome data processing Figure 2-source data 3. Table S4: The final shotgun proteome data Figure 2-source data 4. Table S5: The final transcriptome data

Figure 3: The aging proteome. (A) The Spearman correlation at progressive time points compared to the young reference sample for the mother and daughter proteome shows a divergence away from a youthful state for the mother. **(B)** The numbers of proteins changing by at least two-fold from the reference (young) sample per time point. Blue and red bars and text represent changes that had not occurred previously, either up or down regulated, respectively. Grey bars and text are changes that already occurred at a previous time point. Gene functional enrichments per grouped time points were derived from Gene Ontologies and are scaled with

significance of enrichment obtained by DAVID bioinformatics resource version 6.7 (scale bar, DAVID enrichment score see Materials and methods and Table S6 (Figure 3-source data 1)).

Figure 3—figure supplement 1. The aging transcriptome diverges minimally from a young profile.

Figure 3-figure supplement 2. Changes in mother-age dependent daughter profiles.

Figure 3-figure supplement 3. Profiles that contribute to the enrichments of proteins changing more than 2 fold.

Figure 3–figure supplement 4. Single protein profiles matching literature.

Figure 3-source data 1. Table S6: Full lists of GO-term enrichment scores for all enrichment analyses.

Figure 4: Protein profiles in aging yeast. (A) Expression profiles for the proteome were clustered using the Ward clustering algorithm and plotted in a dendrogram. Visualization of most prominent (red line in dendrogram) protein fold change profiles (log2 scale) occurring with age, showing up-regulated (cluster 1), down-regulated (cluster 2) and mainly flat (cluster 3) profiles. Gene functional enrichments per grouped time points were summarized into representative terms as in Figure 3B. (B) Unidirectional changes occurring with aging are illustrated with a heat map of the fold changes (log2 scale) of proteins in the aging mother compared to the young reference sample.

Figure 4-figure supplement 1. Comparison of aging proteomes and transcriptomes. Figure 4-figure supplement 2. Analysis of two fold changes per time point in the aging transcriptome.

Figure 4-figure supplement 3. Analysis of aging changes clustered by expression profile.

Figure 5: A post-transcriptional overrepresentation in protein biogenesis with aging. (A) A progressive uncoupling of the proteome from the transcriptome in time is apparent from the decreasing Spearman correlation between the two. (B) Co-expression map showing fold changes (log2) of 72h aged samples compared to the young reference, plotting the proteome versus the transcriptome. Quadrants 1 and 3 (Q1 and Q3) represent changes where the protein changes match their transcript changes (coupled), while quadrants 2 (Q2) and 4 (Q4) reflect opposite changes (uncoupled). Summarizing terms per quadrant are derived from Gene Ontologies as in Figure 3B (scale bar DAVID enrichment score).

- Figure 5-figure supplement 1. Correlation of proteome versus transcriptome using alternative statistical methods for comparison.
- Figure 5-figure supplement 2. Co-expression map showing fold changes of 10.7h, 22h, 45.4h and 72.3h compared to the young reference, highlighting gene products contributing to gene enrichments.
- Figure 5-figure supplement 3. Change in posttranscriptional protein overabundance with aging.

Figure 6: Network inference identifies protein biogenesis related genes as causal force during aging. (A) The directed and clustered transcriptome network consists of 3631 edges, connecting 1241 nodes in 8 clusters (see Figure 6-figure supplement 1 and supplemental note 4 for further details). Only actual relations are depicted, the causal direction between two nodes is indicated with an arrow, where the arrowhead points to the responsive node. (B) Clusters ranked from more causal to more responsive in the causality network (from blue to red for clusters 1 through 8). The degree of causality is determined by the ratio of the outgoing over incoming connections per cluster (from A). The blue to red arrows indicate the sum of outgoing arrows between two clusters, where arrow thickness is logarithmically scaled to the number of arrows (from A), i.e. the summed predictive power of one cluster over the other. Summarizing terms per cluster are derived from Gene Ontologies as in Figure 3B (scale bar DAVID enrichment score).

Figure 6-figure supplement 1. The transcriptome network.

Figure 6-figure supplement 2. Network cluster gene enrichments in the co-expression map. Figure 6-source data 1. Table S7: The direction matrices and the sensitivity analyses for the proteomic and transcriptomic high-level directional networks.

Figure 7: Loss of stoichiometry in protein complexes is a consequence during aging. (A) Illustrative representation of loss of stoichiometry within a protein complex (red, blue and green squares) during aging. Changing levels of proteins may be coordinated (left) or uncoordinated and result in a loss of complex stoichiometry (right). (B) Stoichiometry loss (for a single complex defined as the InterQuartile Range (IQR) of the distribution of fold changes of the components) is plotted for all complexes in proteome and transcriptome datasets as bean plots during aging. The genes in common between the datasets are used. Thick horizontal line represents the mean of the distribution of all complexes, thin colored lines the individual complexes' stoichiometry loss, and the outline the distribution of all complexes. (C) Illustration of the loss of stoichiometry of protein complexes during aging for the proteome (grey lines), with specific examples highlighted (colored lines). (D) Illustration of the loss of protein stoichiometry in proteasome (left panel) and the vacuolar proton transporting V-type ATPase, V1 domain (right

panel). The protein abundance changes (log2-scale) of the complex' components are plotted in time. The degree of stoichiometry loss is indicated with a box plot.

Figure 7-figure supplement 1. Proteome data of distribution of changes within complexes in the cell.

Figure 7-figure supplement 2. Transcriptome data of distribution of changes within complexes in the cell.

Figure 7–figure supplement 3. Loss of stoichiometry occurring in the protein complexes.

Figure 7–figure supplement 4. The proteome network.

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Figure 1-figure supplement 1. Setup of the aging columns. (A) Prior to being loaded on the aging column, the yeast cells are labeled with membrane impermeable Sulfo-NHS-LC-Biotin (step 1, green triangles). The LC-linker in Sulfo-NHS-LC-Biotin has a spacer arm length of 22.4 Å. The NHS-ester forms a covalent amide bond with primary amine groups in the Lysines and at the N-termini of the yeast cell wall proteins. Streptavidin-coated magnetic beads (black circles, step 2) bind with high affinity to the biotin-labeled cells. (**B**) The side view of one column set up. Medium is pumped with a flow rate of 170 ml/h via air permeable silicone tubing (1) and a Tconnector (2) into the magnetized column holding the magnetic-bead-coupled yeast cells (3). The medium leaves the magnetized column via the U-shaped tubing below the column (4), a Tconnector (5) and the outlet tubing (6) into a waste jar (7). The medium level in the column is regulated with the air valve on top of the T-connector (2) in combination with the backpressure caused by medium in the U-shaped tubing after the column (4). To disrupt the steady laminar effluent flow, air was allowed to enter the system via T-connector (5). During incubation at the columns, the flow was started and clamp 1 (C.I) and clamp 3 (C.III) are open, while the air valve is closed (C.II). (C) The items used to build the setup are presented in a simplified 2D view and listed in Figure 1-source data 1 Table S1. (D) 3D view of the magnet's stand with two magnets present.

Figure 1–figure supplement 2. Cellular aging under constant conditions. The aging columns maintain constant oxygen (A) and glucose (B) concentrations and pH (C) during cultivation. Oxygen concentration was determined using the Optical Oxygen Meter Fibox 3 in both fresh medium and the column effluent (A). Glucose concentration was determined by enzyme-based assay Enzytec™ fluid D-Glucose (B). The pH of the medium was measured by a conventional pH-meter in fresh medium (t = 0h) and in the column effluent after 24h and 48h in duplicate (C). (D) Fluorescence microscopy image of AlexaFluor 633 conjugated wheat-germ agglutinin (WGA) stained cells selectively staining chitin in bud scars. (E) Distribution of replicative ages of (n) cells in samples harvested at different time points as determined by counting bud scars in AlexaFluor 633-WGA labeled cells. The bud scars were counted double blind from confocal z-stack images. (F) Numbers of cells per mixed-cell sample, per time point, and for each replicate.

Figure 1-figure supplement 3. Cell counts per timepoint. The cell counts present in each mixed-cell sample harvested from each time point of the experiment. These values (along with

fractional compositions present in Figure 2-figure supplement 3B) were used to calculate the weighted lifespan curve presented in Figure 1B.

Figure 1–figure supplement 4. Simulated yeast aging population dynamics. Due to biological cell-to-cell variation in cell division rates, the age distribution of a starting cohort of cells increases at later time points. This results in an increasing overlap of ages in the mother cell populations harvested at later time points, as modeled for a starting cohort of 1000 cells (see methods: *Harvesting time points*). The age is indicated as the replication life span (RLS). (A) shows the distribution of mother cell ages in samples harvested at indicated equally spaced time points, (B) shows the distribution when samples are harvested at exponentially spaced time points, minimizing the overlap of information between neighboring samples.

Figure 1-figure supplement 5. Characterization of mixed-cell samples. (A) Cells were stained with avidin conjugated FITC (AvF), which only labels cells coming from the initial biotin labeled cohort (see Figure 1-figure supplement 1A), and with propidium iodide (PI), which is permeable only to dead cells and fluoresces upon intercalation with DNA. (B) Analyzing the stained samples on a flow cytometer clearly distinguishes the populations of dead or alive mother cells and dead or alive daughter cells, based on fluorescence emission. Quantification of these populations gives the fractional compositions of each mixed-cell sample (Mix 1,2,3 in Figure 2-figure supplement 3) collected per time point. SSC-A is the FACS' side scatter area, FCS-A is the FACS' forward scatter area, FL1-A is the FITC fluorescence emission peak area, FL3-A is the PI fluorescence emission peak area.

Figure 2-figure supplement 1. Validation of the mathematical un-mixing procedure. (A) Schematic representation of samples used for validation of the mathematical un-mixing procedure, taken from fermenter-grown yeast. Log-phase represents mid-exponential growth of the culture (L), deceleration phase represents a decreased growth rate around the diauxic shift (D), and stationary phase is a nutrient deprived culture (S). Each phase of cultivation has a unique transcriptional and proteomic signature. (B) The abundance of 207 proteins was measured with targeted (SRM) proteomics in the samples L, D and S, and in three mixed cell samples composed of different ratios of L, D, and S. The protein abundance in the pure samples and the abundance derived after mathematical un-mixing of the data obtained from the mixed cell-sample is shown for 10 representative proteins of the 207 proteins. (C) As in B, for all 207 proteins.

Figure 2-figure supplement 2. Validation of the mathematical un-mixing procedure, shotgun proteome and RNA sequencing. (A) As in Figure 2-figure supplement 1C but now for proteome data obtained by shotgun proteomics. The Pearson correlations are as high as 0.989, 0.992, and 0.993, for Log, Deceleration, and Stationary phase samples, respectively, in the log₂ scale (top panels). Bottom panels show the relative errors for all proteins quantified; the abundance of the indicated number of proteins is recovered with less than 20% relative error. (B) As in (A) but here for the mRNA seq transcriptome data showing Pearson correlations of 0.945, 0.956, and 0.801 for Log, Deceleration, and Stationary phase samples, respectively, in the log₂ scale (top panels). The indicated numbers of transcripts were recovered with less than 20% relative error (bottom panels). All abundances are plotted on a log₂-scale.

 Figure 2-figure supplement 3. Generation and composition of the mixed-cell samples. (A) I: A cohort of cells with cell-wall attached beads is maintained in the magnetized column (magnet 1) and harvested at set time points (column fraction) when also a fraction with mainly daughter cells is collected (column effluent, mix 3). II: The harvested column fraction was applied for further enrichment on "The Big Easy" EasySepTM Magnet (magnet 2). The bead labeled aged cells stay in the glass tube, while the non-bead labeled young cells are removed by pipetting. This wash is repeated 3 times, resulting in a sample enriched for mothers (mother enriched; mix 2), and a wash fraction (wash, mix 1). The fractional population sizes of these three mixes, schematically represented in III, were determined (See Figure 1-figure supplement 5) before storage at -80°C. (B) The measured compositions of mother, daughters, and dead cells present in each mixed-cell sample harvested from each time point of the experiment. These fractional compositions were used in the mathematical un-mixing procedure. (C) Example of the mathematical unmixing procedure: Hsp104 protein abundances (MS peak intensity) for each time point in each of the mixed-cell samples (left panel) and the resulting unmixed abundances visualized as fold changes on a log2-scale (right panel).

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Figure 2-figure supplement 4. Validation of the bead effect correction. The effect of the beads on the proteome was highly reproducible, regardless of the number of beads per sample, and was unrelated to other biological stimuli applied on the cells. (A) Samples generated at different steps during biotinylation, bead labeling, and harvesting were assessed for their similarity to a sample which has undergone all processing steps (sample D), as would the starting (bead labeled) sample of the experiment. Using targeted (SRM) proteomics focusing on 74 proteins known to be either strongly affected or not affected when comparing a processed to an unprocessed sample, we found that the presence of beads alone within a sample (sample G) was enough to match the starting bead-labeled sample (sample D). The process of bead labeling itself (sample 'H', where bead labeling conditions were mimicked) yielded proteomes that bared little resemblance to our bead-containing samples. (B) Cells and bead counts from flow cytometry. A cohort of 4.0×10⁸ cells (pink bar, left) was labeled with beads, by adding a known number of beads (4.8×10⁸ beads, pink bar, right). The number of beads attached to a biotinylated cell population (1.2×10^8) is the difference between free beads before (4.8×10^8) beads, pink bar, right) and after bead-labeling $(3.6 \times 10^8 \text{ cells, gray bar, right)}$. The number of cells with at least one bead was counted after bead labeling and cell enrichment on a magnet (after bead labeling, 1.2×10^8 , gray bar, left). This yields on average 1.1 beads/cell. (C) The number of free beads and beads attached to the cells was determined for each sample with flow cytometry. The ratio of bead to cells increased maximally two fold in both replicates, most likely due to the detachment of cells from beads while being cultivated in the aging columns. (D) To study the effect of a small increase in bead concentration per sample we mixed unprocessed cells with different numbers of beads and performed targeted (SRM) proteomics, using the same 74 proteins for assessment. The median of the measured peak intensities decreased with an increase of beads per sample, indicating a loss of proteins. (E) Nonetheless, we found that varying the amount of beads in the sample in the range relevant to the aging experiment, did not alter the degree to which the sample was changed by the presence of the beads. The Pearson correlation of these samples to the standard (1.06 beads/cell) was higher than the correlation between two replicates of the standard. We conclude that the bead effect is highly reproducible, and can be redressed with a correction factor specific to each protein (See Supplementary text).

Figure 2-figure supplement 5. Overview of the experimental pipeline. Detailed view of the experimental pipeline to depict number of samples collected and data processing steps. Up to 16 columns could be run simultaneously (cartoon of red magnet with column) and harvested throughout the aging procedure (cartoon of lifespan curve, fraction surviving at each age). Time points were exponentially spaced, and covered by two partially overlapping replicate campaigns (R1 and R2, dots showing time points), of 14 and 8 time points, respectively. For each time point, either two or three samples were required for mathematical unmixing of the population, i.e. early time points (blue dots), contained mainly live mother and live daughter cells, without mortality in the population, and therefore required only two samples for the mathematical unmixing of 2 unknowns. While later time points (red dots), contained increasing levels of dead cells, and required three samples for the mathematical unmixing of 3 unknowns. Replicate 1 consisted of an unprocessed sample, five time points requiring two samples for unmixing, and 9 time points requiring three samples for unmixing, totaling 38 samples. Replicate 2 had in the same way 23 samples, and together the two replicates consisted of 61 samples, which were processed with shotgun proteomics and RNAseq transcriptomics. After 'omics' data was collected, a bead correction was applied to proteome data coming from samples containing beads (see methods), and quality assessment of sequencing data removed 4 sets of samples from the transcriptome (see methods). The subsequent 61 proteome samples and 50 transcriptome samples were used for mathematical unmixing, which resulted in mother-specific data for the proteome (R1, 15 time points, and R2, 9 time points) and transcriptome (R1, 12 time points, R2, 8 time points). Corresponding daughter specific data also resulted from the unmixing procedure (not depicted in schematic). Finally, a reference time point was selected (7.8 hours, see methods) and the replicate datasets were merged to produce a single time series, for each of the proteome and transcriptome, spanning 12 time points throughout the replicative lifespan of the cells.

Figure 2–figure supplement 6. Selection of genes with highest similarity between replicates. (A) The coefficient of variation was calculated between the replicate datasets for each gene-product profile and a cutoff of 0.3 was used to select the most reproducible expression profiles between replicates, consisting of ~90.9% of the proteome, and ~84.4% the transcriptome datasets. (B) Example of a gene profile having a coefficient of variation of 0.1 (top panels) and coefficient of variation of 0.3, which just failed the cutoff for being included in the dataset (bottom panels). Data shown for both proteome (left panels), and transcriptome (right panels), with each replicate measurement (grey) and the fit (colored line).

Figure 3–figure supplement 1. The aging transcriptome diverges minimally from a young profile. Similar to Figure 3A, but for transcriptome. The Spearman correlation of the transcriptomes of mother and daughter cells at different time point compared to that of a reference (young) time point sample.

Figure 3-figure supplement 2. Changes in mother-age dependent daughter profiles. Heat maps (with row clustering based on Euclidean distance) showing changes for daughter profiles of each mother-age dependent time point for both proteome (A) and transcriptome (B). Gene functional enrichments were determined using David version 6.7 and summarized into representative terms (see methods section for details). The enrichment score provided by David for the summarized terms were used as a size-scaling factor for the text, with larger words being more significantly enriched (scale bar DAVID enrichment score). Enriched terms are shown next

to each respective heat map, for genes changing by at least two-fold when comparing the daughter coming from the oldest mother age, to the daughter coming from the youngest mother age. This resulted in 33 genes 2 fold upregulated and 40 genes 2 fold down regulated in the proteome of 1494 proteins, and 31 genes upregulated and 190 genes down regulated in the transcriptome of 4904 transcripts. Fold changes are plotted on a log2 scale.

Figure 3-figure supplement 3. Profiles that contribute to the enrichments of proteins changing more than 2 fold. Proteins contributing to the enrichment score for 'stress.response.(General)', or 'glycolysis/gluconeogenesis' that were increasing more than two fold with age, or proteins contributing to the enrichment score for 'mitochondria.(general)' and 'DNA.replication' that were decreasing more than two fold with age were selected for visualization (from Figure 3B). The fold changes are plotted on a log2 scale.

Figure 3-figure supplement 4. Single protein profiles matching literature. Assessing the protein dynamics on the single cell level that were reported in the literature to occur in aging yeast shows agreement with our global-scale proteome dataset. Specifically, we see protein levels of the stress related chaperone Hsp104 and the translation elongation factor Tef1 to increase with aging as was shown using a microfluidic platform tracking single cells [29]. Using another microfluidic platform and GFP-tagged Vph1 protein as a marker for the vacuole, it was found that the vacuole increased in size more rapidly than the cell itself, suggesting a net increase of Vph1 protein levels to occur in the aging cell [21]. Our data shows Vph1 levels to increase with aging, in line with these observations. Furthermore, our proteome also captures the subtle changes described to occur with the Tpo1 protein and aging, where a computational model based on production and inheritance of the protein throughout aging predicted Tpo1 levels to initially increase and to then gradually decrease with age [32]. A recent study looking at protein abundances in young and old whole-cell extracts found that levels of the nucleoporins Nup116 and Nsp1 decrease with age, while Nup100 and Nup53 did not change significantly [30], and for one other nucleoporin, Nup170, was shown that the levels increase with aging [31], which we all also detect in our proteome data (Figure 7D). Three proteins whose overexpression results in extended lifespan in yeast, Ras2 [33], Mxr1 [15], and Vma1 [28] were observed to decrease with age. Literature references are according to main text reference numbering.

Figure 4–figure supplement 1. Comparison of aging proteomes and transcriptomes. (A) Heat maps (with row dendrograms based on Euclidean distance) of proteome (top panel) and transcriptome (bottom panel) time series data, plotted as fold changes on a log2 scale. (B) The raw abundances (log2 scale) for the proteome and transcriptome are plotted against one another for young (left panel, age 7.8 hours) and old (right panel age 72 hours) cells.

Figure 4–figure supplement 2. Analysis of two fold changes per time point in the aging transcriptome. (A) The numbers of transcripts changing by at least two-fold from the reference (young) sample per time point. Red and blue bars or text represent changes that had not occurred previously, either up or down regulated, respectively. Grey bars or text are changes that already occurred at a previous time point. Gene functional enrichments per grouped time points were derived from Gene Ontologies and are scaled with significance of enrichment obtained by David version 6.7 (scale bar DAVID enrichment score). (B) Profiles that contribute to the enrichments of transcript changing more than 2 fold. Transcripts contributing to the enrichment score for

'integral.to.membrane', or 'sporulation' that increased more than two fold with age, or transcripts contributing to the enrichment score for 'mitochondria.(respiration)' and 'mitochondria.(translation)' that decreased more than two fold with age were selected for visualization (from A). The fold changes are plotted on a log2 scale.

Figure 4–figure supplement 3. Analysis of aging changes clustered by expression profile.(A) Expression profiles for the transcriptome were clustered using the Ward clustering algorithm and plotted in a dendrogram. Three expression profile groups were selected for characterization (red vertical line). (B) The three most prominent profile expression clusters for the transcriptome (left three panels), showing mainly down-regulated (cluster 1 and 2) and up-regulated (cluster 3) profiles, and their average signature plotted relative to one another (right panel). Gene functional enrichments per grouped time points were summarized into representative terms as in Figure 3B. In one case (asterix, 'translation regulation'), the enrichment value was scaled down (from 10.2) to the score of the next most enriched term (5.0), for better legibility of the other terms (with first three letters kept on the original scale). Transcript fold changes are plotted on a log2 scale.

Figure 5-figure supplement 1. Correlation of proteome versus transcriptome using alternative statistical methods for comparison. Comparison of the proteome versus the transcriptome using the dataset of genes in common between the two. Using Pearson correlation on the raw data, Pearson correlation on log2 transformed data, or Spearman or Kendall correlations on the raw data, show similar results: a decreasing correlation of the proteome and transcriptome with age.

 Figure 5-figure supplement 2. Co-expression map showing fold changes of 10.7h, 22h, 45.4h and 72.3h compared to the young reference, highlighting gene products contributing to gene enrichments. Co-expression map as in Figure 5B, showing fold changes of proteins and transcripts at 10.7h, 22h, 45.4h, and 72.3h aged time points compared to the young (7.8h) reference sample. Genes contributing to enrichment scores of the most enriched processes per quadrant at 72.3h of aging (sterol.biosynthesis from Q1, translation.regulation from Q2, cortical.actin.cytoskeleton from Q3, and endoplasmic.reticulum from Q4) are shown highlighted for each timepoint to illustrate their changes. The fold changes are plotted on a log2 scale.

Figure 5–figure supplement 3. Change in posttranscriptional protein overabundance with aging. The fold change in abundance of a protein compared to a reference (young) sample, minus the fold change of its transcript, gives a quantity for its relative overabundance. Plotted in time are the summed values for the gene products per quadrant of the co-expression map in Figure 5B (grey points), and for all genes of the entire plot summed (black points). This shows a net increase over time of total relative protein overabundance, and a distinct behavior per quadrant.

Figure 6-figure supplement 1. The transcriptome network. (A) Cartoon illustrating the pipeline of the network analysis procedure, to go stepwise from gene expression time series (i.e. a gene profile) towards a high-level causal network. First, only nodes that have related gene profiles (based on partial correlations), as distinguished from all indirectly related gene profiles (based on simple correlations), are connected in the network (see **B** below). Second, the directionality of the arrows between two nodes was found by accounting for the relative

reduction in the variability between the nodes. This revealed a causal relationship (see **D** below). Third, highly interconnected nodes were clustered. Finally, based on the clusters and the average directionality among the clusters, a high-level directional network was generated. For further details regarding these steps see supplemental note 4. (B) A simulated example to highlight the first step in (A), showing that the edge between nodes in the network depends on the partial correlation between the gene profiles. Two transcript profiles ('y' and 'z') were based on a computationally generated transcript profile ('x'), forming a small artificial network with edges between the nodes x and y in addition to x and z. While the simple correlations between all profiles are high (>0.995), the partial correlations are only high for x with y and x with z (grey dashed lines). Therefore, actual relations were only found from x to z and x to y (black edge). We can thus retrieve the true network, by making use of the partial correlations. (C) The undirected network for the transcriptome data. The edges between the nodes indicate only actual relations (based on partial correlations) between transcript profiles. All edges connected without partial correlations or nodes linked to the dataset without a partial correlation are omitted in this network. (D) An example to highlight the second step in (A) that the directionality between two transcript profiles was found by multiple testing of the standardized partial variances of the nodes. The standardized partial variances is the variances once the effect of the related profiles has been removed by regression analysis. For each of the connected node pairs (e.g. 'm' and 'n'), the direction goes from the profile with the highest standardized partial variance to the lowest. Basically, for a profile with a lower standardized partial variance, much of its variability is explained by the profiles connected to it, while for a profile with a high standardized partial variance, less of its variability is explained by the profiles associated to it. The latter profile has thus a higher ability to predict the first one than vice versa, and makes a profile with high standardized variance causal over a profile with a low standardized variance. The directionality is indicated as an arrow between the nodes. (E) The directed network for the transcriptome data. The arrowhead is pointing to the responsive node. For the clustered directed network see Figure 6A and for the high level directional network see Figure 6B.

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Figure 6–figure supplement 2. Network cluster gene enrichments in the co-expression map. (A) The genes represented in cluster 1 of the transcriptome networks (blue dots) were mapped on the co-expression map (grey dots; Figure 5B). The percentage of the genes enriched in each of the four Quadrants (Q1-4) is indicated, fold changes are plotted on a log2 scale (B) *p*-values for the enrichment of the genes in each cluster of the network in the four quadrants; transcriptome

the enrichment of the genes in each cluster of the network in the four quadrants; transcriptome (top) and proteome (bottom). (C) The *p*-value for the enrichment of genes in each cluster in Q1 and Q3 together representing a 'coupled' change in protein and transcript levels (left panel), and in quadrant Q2 and Q4 (uncoupled change) (right panel). A shift towards an uncoupled phenotype in the 'later' network clusters is apparent. The *p*-values are plotted on a log10 scale.

Figure 7-figure supplement 1. Proteome data of distribution of changes within complexes in the cell. A curated list of protein complexes derived from the 'cellular component' gene ontology was downloaded from yeastgenome.org, and the horizontal box plots show the distribution of fold changes (log2 scale) occurring in the complex when comparing proteome data of the old (72 hours) sample to the young reference sample. Box-and-whisker plots are presented as follows: The thick black line within the box is the median of the data, the box extends to the upper and lower quartile of the dataset (i.e. to include 25% of the data above and

below the median, respectively), whiskers (dashed lines) represent up to 1.5 times the upper or lower quartiles and circles represent outliers.

Figure 7-figure supplement 2. Transcriptome data of distribution of changes within complexes in the cell. Same as Figure 7-figure supplement 1 but for the transcriptome data.

Figure 7–figure supplement 3. Loss of stoichiometry occurring in the protein complexes. (A) Comparison between mother cells and mother-age dependent daughter cells, loss of stoichiometry within complexes. Bean plots showing the distribution of the loss of stoichiometry for all complexes in the cell (same as in Figure 7B), at each time point throughout aging. Mother and daughter cells plotted side by side, for the proteomes (left panel) and transcriptomes (right panel), showing that the mother cells' proteome undergoes a greater degree of loss of stoichiometry within complexes than do mother-age dependent daughter cells. Stoichiometry loss for a single complex is calculated as the interquartile of the distribution of fold changes within the complex at any given time (i.e. the 'box' in Figure 7–figure supplement 1 and 2). Bean plots are drawn as follows: Thick horizontal line represents the mean of the distribution of all complexes, thin colored lines the individual complexes' stoichiometry loss, and the outline the distribution of all complexes. (B) Illustration of the loss of protein stoichiometry in the vacuolar proton transportin V-type ATPase, V1 domain. The protein abundance changes (log2-scale) of the complex' components are plotted in time. The degree of stoichiometry loss is indicated with a box plot.

 Figure 7–figure supplement 4. The proteome network. (A) Undirected, directed, and clustered directed networks for the proteome dataset. The clustered directed network consists of 669 edges, connecting 493 nodes in 5 clusters. (B) These interactions are summarized in a causal network: Clusters are ranked from more causal to more responsive (from blue to red for clusters 1 through 5, placed on a turquoise arrow that depicts ranking) in the causality network. The degree of causality is determined by the ratio of the causal outgoing over incoming connections per cluster (from A). The blue to red arrows indicate the sum of outgoing arrows between two clusters (from A), i.e. the summed predictive power of one cluster over the other. Summarizing terms per cluster are derived from Gene Ontologies as in Figure 3B (scale bar DAVID enrichment score).

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