

Supplementary Information

Stable retention of chloramphenicol-resistant mtDNA to rescue metabolically impaired cells

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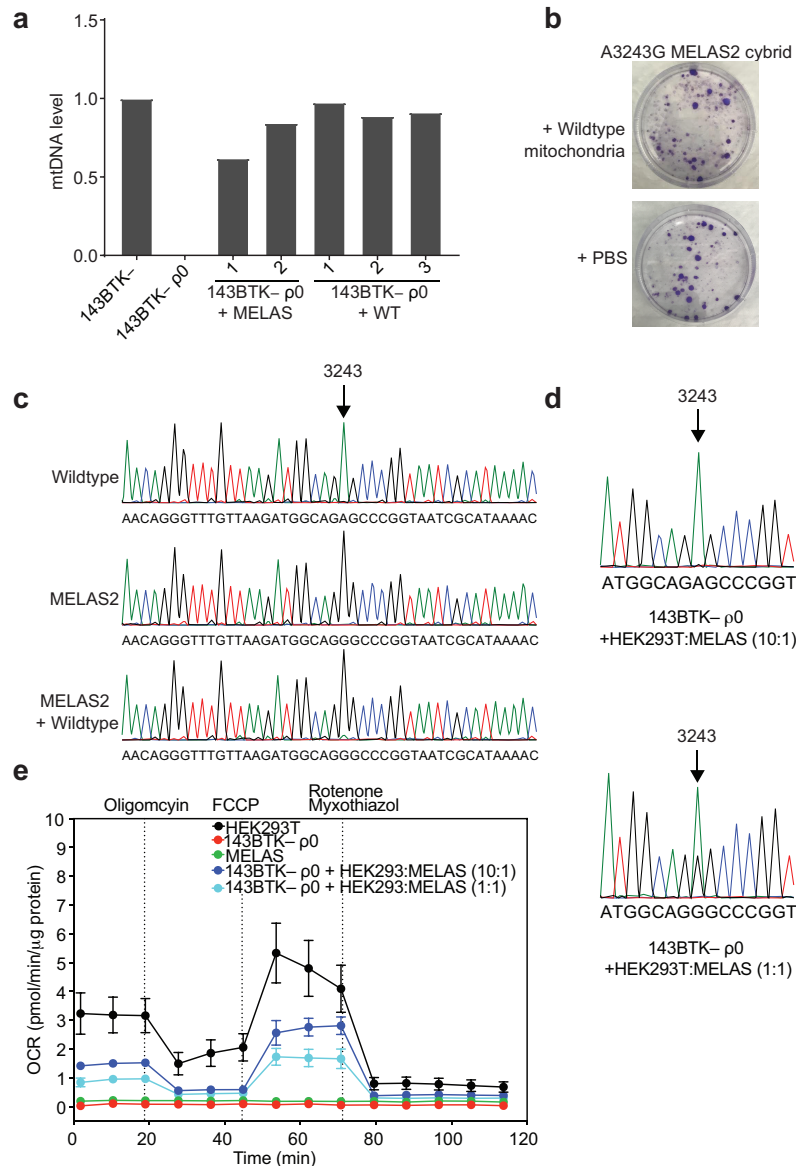


Figure S1. Selective pressure to retain mutant A3243G MELAS mtDNA.

(a) Quantification of mtDNA levels by qPCR in 143BTK- $\rho 0$, 143BTK- $\rho 0$ + MELAS clones 1 and 2, 143BTK- $\rho 0$ + WT clones 1, 2, and 3, and the 143BTK- parent cell lines. The bar height denotes the average of three technical replicates. (b) MELAS2 + Wildtype and MELAS2 + PBS buffer cells were fixed with paraformaldehyde and stained with crystal violet to identify cell colonies. (c) Sanger sequencing of Wildtype, MELAS2, and MELAS2 + Wildtype. The arrow denotes mtDNA position 3243. (d) Sanger

sequencing of 143BTK- $\rho 0$ + HEK293T:MELAS (10:1) and 143BTK- $\rho 0$ + HEK293T:MELAS (1:1). Arrows denote mtDNA position 3243. (e) Seahorse Extracellular Flux analysis to quantify oxygen consumption rate of 143BTK- $\rho 0$ + HEK293T:MELAS (10:1) and 143BTK- $\rho 0$ + HEK293T:MELAS (1:1) cells. Oligomycin, FCCP, and rotenone/myxothiazol are an ATP synthase inhibitor, uncoupler, and complex I/III inhibitor, respectively. Each data point represents the average of three technical replicates and the error bar denotes standard deviation.

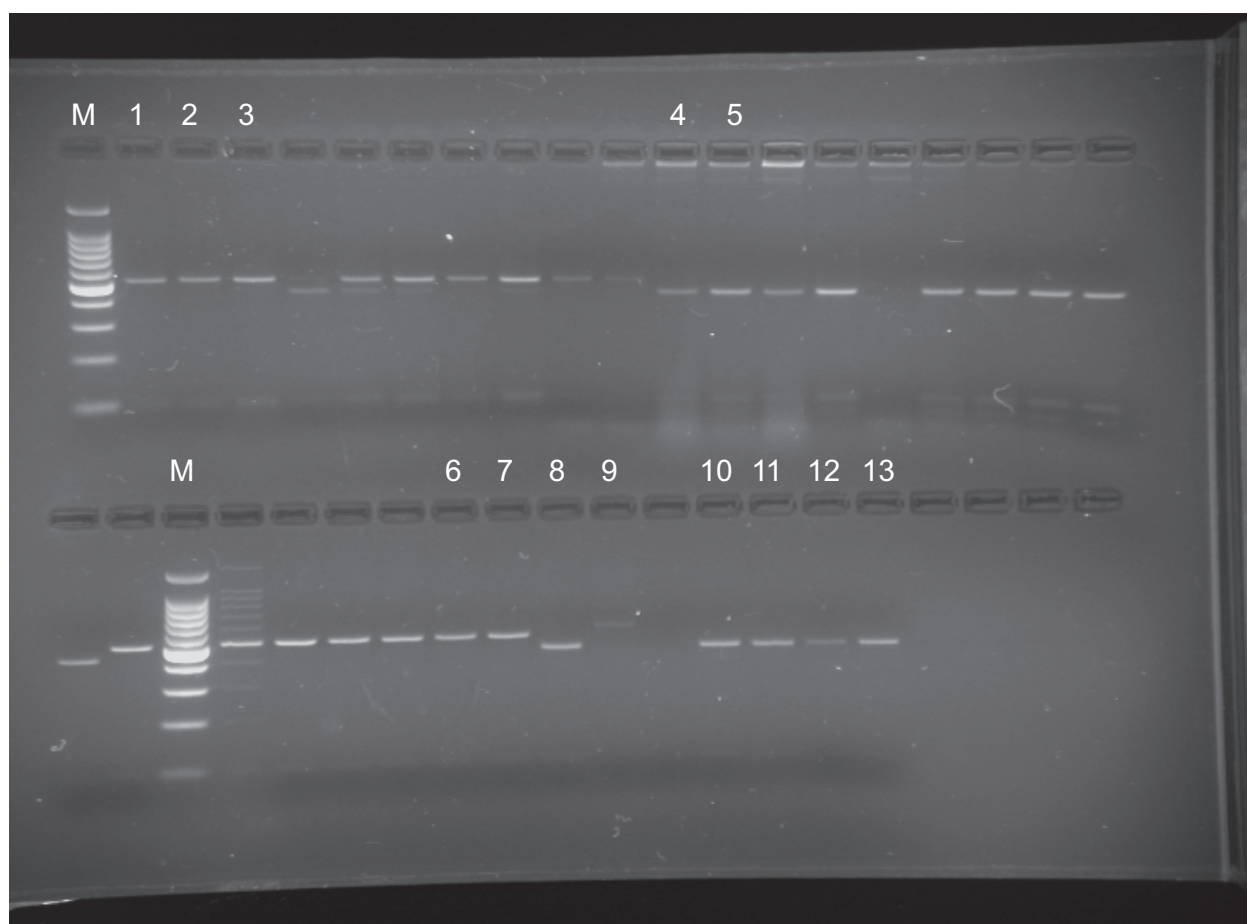


Figure S2. Uncropped gel for Figure 3e-f. PCR products post-MaeII digestion on a 2.5% agarose gel electrophoresis. Numbers on lanes correspond to the following samples: M) Marker, 1) Δ mt-ND6 + CAP-R 501-1 bulk culture 2, 2) Δ mt-ND6 + CAP-R 501-1 bulk culture 3, 3) Δ mt-ND4 + PBS bulk culture, 4) Δ mt-ND4 + CAP-R 501-1 bulk culture cultured for 5 weeks post-transfer in uridine-deficient, CAP-supplemented media, 5) Δ mt-ND4 + CAP-R 501-1 bulk culture cultured for 4 weeks in uridine-deficient, CAP-supplemented media and one additional week in CAP-deficient media, 6) Δ mt-ND6, 7) Δ mt-ND4, 8) CAP-R 501-1, 9) L929 ρ 0, 10) L929 ρ 0 + CAP-R 501-1, 11) Δ mt-ND4 + CAP-R 501-1 bulk culture 1, 12) Δ mt-ND4 + CAP-R 501-1 bulk culture 2, 13) Δ mt-ND4 + CAP-R 501-1 bulk culture 3. Unmarked lanes on the gel are the same

transfer cell lines (L929 $\rho 0$ + CAP-R 501-1, Δ mt-ND4 + CAP-R 501-1, and Δ mt-ND6 + CAP-R 501-1) cultured in different media conditions (uridine-supplemented, complete, and galactose media) at different time points throughout the selection process to optimize our selection protocol.

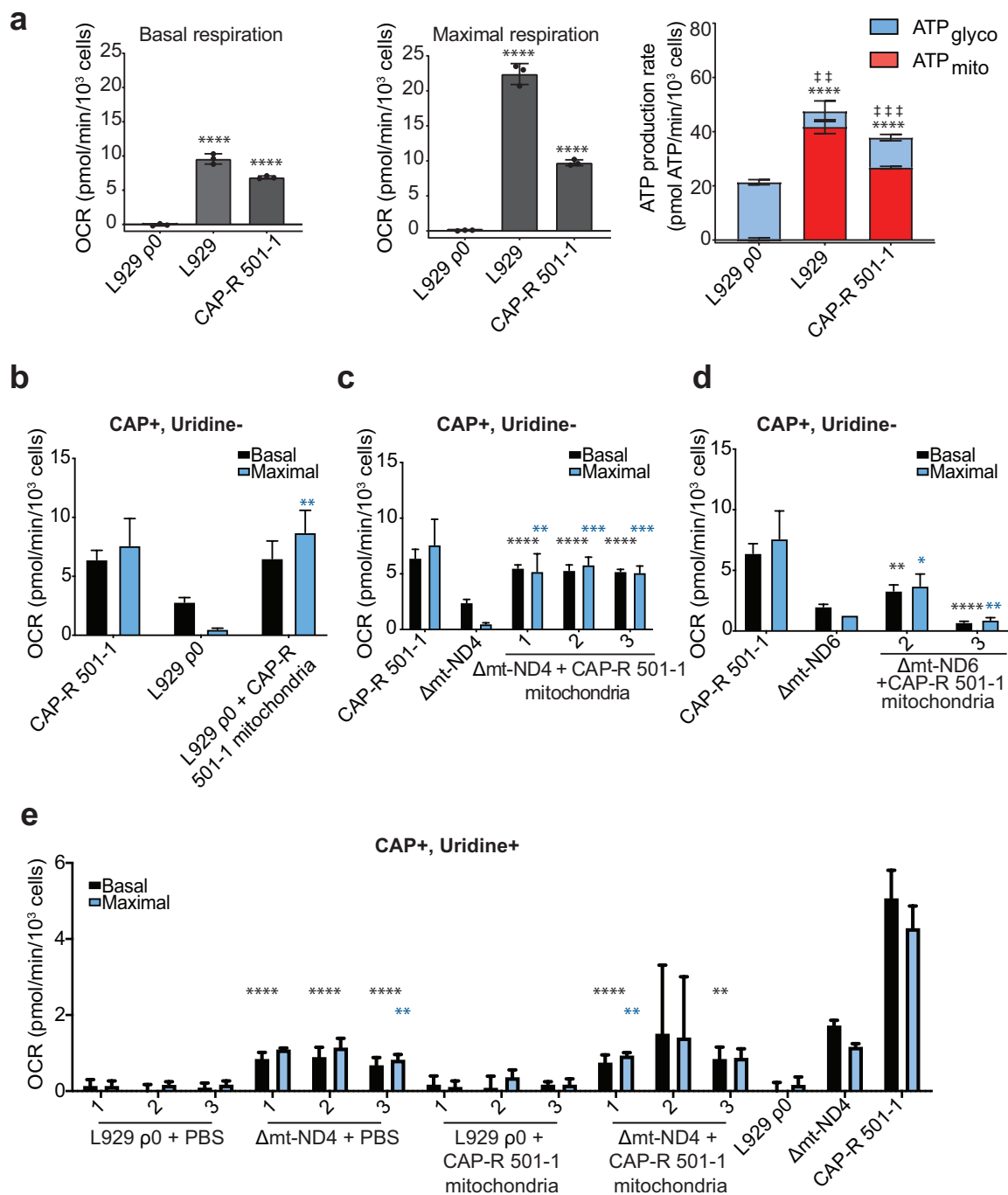


Figure S3. Basal and Maximal oxygen consumption rates corresponding to ATP production rates. (a) Seahorse Extracellular Flux analysis to quantify basal and maximal respiration and ATP production in L929 p0, L929 parent, and CAP-R 501-1 cell lines. Two-tailed, unpaired Student's t-test comparing samples to L929 p0. * represents

significance for ATP_{mito} and ‡ represents significance for ATP_{glyco}. * < 0.05, ** < 0.01, *** < 0.001, **** < 0.0001. ‡ < 0.05, ‡ ‡ < 0.01, ‡ ‡ ‡ < 0.001, ‡ ‡ ‡ ‡ < 0.0001. The bar height denotes the average of four replicates and the error bars are the standard deviation. **(b)** Seahorse Extracellular Flux analysis to quantify basal and maximal respiration in CAP-R 501-1, L929 ρ 0, and L929 ρ 0 + CAP-R 501-1. **(c)** Seahorse Extracellular Flux analysis to quantify basal and maximal respiration in CAP-R 501-1, Δ mt-ND4, and Δ mt-ND4 + CAP-R 501-1 clones 1, 2, and 3. **(d)** Seahorse Extracellular Flux analysis to quantify basal and maximal respiration in CAP-R 501-1, Δ mt-ND6, and Δ mt-ND6 + CAP-R 501-1 clones 2 and 3. For (b-d), cells had been previously cultured in uridine-deficient, CAP-supplemented media. Two-tailed, unpaired Student's t-test comparing samples to L929 ρ 0, Δ mt-ND4, or Δ mt-ND6. The bar height denotes average of four replicates and the error bars are the standard deviation. **(e)** Seahorse Extracellular Flux analysis to quantify basal and maximal respiration in CAP-R 501-1, L929 ρ 0, Δ mt-ND4, L929 ρ 0 + CAP-R 501-1, and Δ mt-ND4 + CAP-R 501-1. Cells had been previously cultured in uridine-supplemented, CAP-supplemented media. Two-tailed, unpaired Student's t-test comparing samples to Δ mt-ND4. The bar height denotes average of five replicates and the error bars are the standard deviation. For (b-e), * represents significance with * < 0.05, ** < 0.01, *** < 0.001, **** < 0.0001. There were no statistically significant differences when comparing the samples to L929 ρ 0. Black * represents significance for basal respiration and blue * represents significance for maximal respiration.