

# Overproduction of human ZIP (SLC39) zinc transporters in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* for biophysical characterization

## Supplementary Material

**Table S1**

**Table S1.** Sequences of cloning primers used to engineer expression constructs of human Zrt-, Irt-like proteins (hZIPs) described in the study. Targets are shown in the colors corresponding to the main text.

Construct	Sequence (5'-3')
TEV-GFP_FW	AAAATTGTATTTCAAAGTCATTTCTAAAGGTGAAGAATTATTCACT
GFP-His_RV	CTTCAATGCTATCATTCCTTGATATTGGATCATCTAATGGTGATG GTGATGGTGATGGTGTGTACAATTCA
hZIP1_FW	ACACAAATACACACACTAAATTACCGGATCAATTCTAACGATAATTATGGTC CATGGGGTGAAC
hZIP1-TEV-GFP-His_RV	AAATTGACTTTGAAAATACAAATTCTATTGAATGAACAAACAAACC
His-TEV-hZIP1_FW	ACACAAATACACACACTAAATTACCGGATCAATTCTAACGATAATTATGCACC ATCACCATCACCATCACCATGAAAATTGTATTTCAAAGTATGGTCCATGG GGTGAAC
StrepII-TEV-hZIP1_FW	ACACAAATACACACACTAAATTACCGGATCAATTCTAACGATAATTATGGCAA GCTGGAGGCCACCCGCAGTCGAAAAGGGTGAGAAAATTGTATTTCAAAG TATGGTCCATGGGTGAAC
hZIP1_RV	CTTCAATGCTATCATTCCTTGATATTGGATCATTATATTGAATGAACAA CAAACCTG
hZIP2_FW	ACACAAATACACACACTAAATTACCGGATCAATTCTAACGATAATT ATGGTCCATGGGTGAAC
hZIP2-TEV-GFP-His_RV	AAATTGACTTTGAAAATACAAATTCTGCCATAAGCTATAAAGGC
hZIP11_FW	ACACAAATACACACACTAAATTACCGGATCAATTCTAACGATAATTATGTTGC AAGGTCAATTCTTCAG
hZIP11-TEV-GFP-His_RV	AAATTGACTTTGAAAATACAAATTTCACCTAACCGACATCCAATGACAT
hZIP13_FW	ACACAAATACACACACTAAATTACCGGATCAATTCTAACGATAATTATGCCAG GTTGCCATGCC
hZIP13-TEV-GFP-His_RV	AAATTGACTTTGAAAATACAAATTTCATCTACGAACAATGAAAACAA

TEV: cleavage site for tobacco etch virus protease

GFP: green fluorescent protein

His: octa-histidine-tag

StrepII: StrepII-tag

**Table S2****Table S2. Solubilization conditions and buffers used during affinity purification and size-exclusion chromatography of the respective hZIP1 fusions.**

Construct	Solubilization buffer	Solubilization detergent and duration (at 4 °C)	Affinity chromatography elution buffer	Size-exclusion chromatography buffer
<b>hZIP1-TEV-GFP-His</b>	50 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.0 200 mM NaCl 30 % glycerol 5 mM BME 1 mM PMSF SigmaFAST™ protease inhibitor cocktail	2 % DDM + 0.68 % CHS 2 h	20 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.0 200 mM NaCl 20 % glycerol 5 mM BME 0.05 % DDM + 0.017 % CHS imidazole (linear gradient 25-500 mM)	not applicable
<b>His-TEV-hZIP1</b>	20 mM Tris-HCl pH 7.0 200 mM NaCl 20 % glycerol 0.5 mM EDTA 0.5 mM EGTA 5 mM BME 1 mM PMSF 1 µg L⁻¹ chymostatin 1 µg L⁻¹ leupeptin 1 µg L⁻¹ pepstatin	2 % DDM + 0.2 % CHS 2 h	20 mM Tris-HCl pH 7.0 200 mM NaCl 20 % glycerol 5 mM BME 0.05 % DDM + 0.005 % CHS imidazole (linear gradient 50-500 mM)	20 mM MES-NaOH pH 6.0 100 mM NaCl 10 % glycerol 2 mM BME 0.03 % DDM + 0.003% CHS
<b>StrepII-TEV-hZIP1</b>	20 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.0 200 mM NaCl 20 % glycerol 0.5 mM EDTA 0.5 mM EGTA 5 mM BME 1 mM PMSF 1 µg L⁻¹ chymostatin 1 µg L⁻¹ leupeptin 1 µg L⁻¹ pepstatin	2 % DDM + 0.2% CHS 2 h	20 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.0 200 mM NaCl 20 % glycerol 5 mM BME 0.05 % DDM + 0.005 % CHS biotin (pulse elution with 50 mM)	20 mM MES-NaOH pH 5.0 100 mM NaCl 10 % glycerol 2 mM BME 0.03 % DDM + 0.003% CHS

TEV: cleavage site for tobacco etch virus protease

GFP: green fluorescent protein

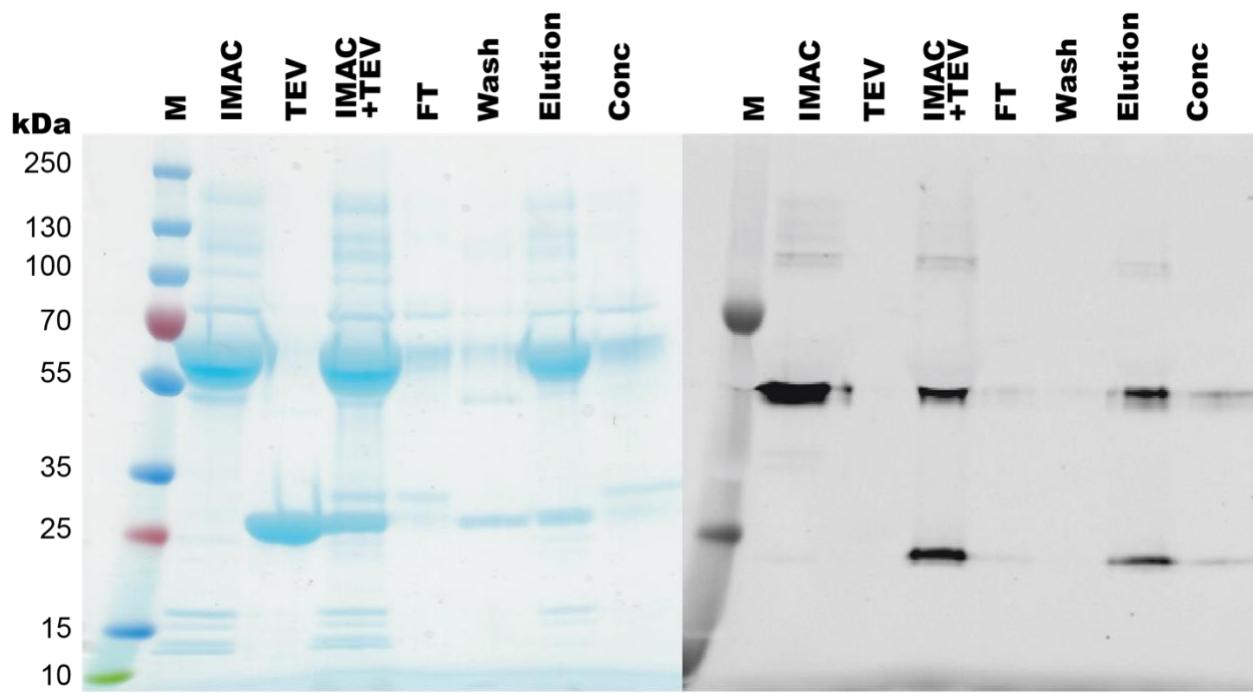
His: octa-histidine-tag

BME: β-mercaptoproethanol

CHS: cholestryl hemisuccinate Tris salt

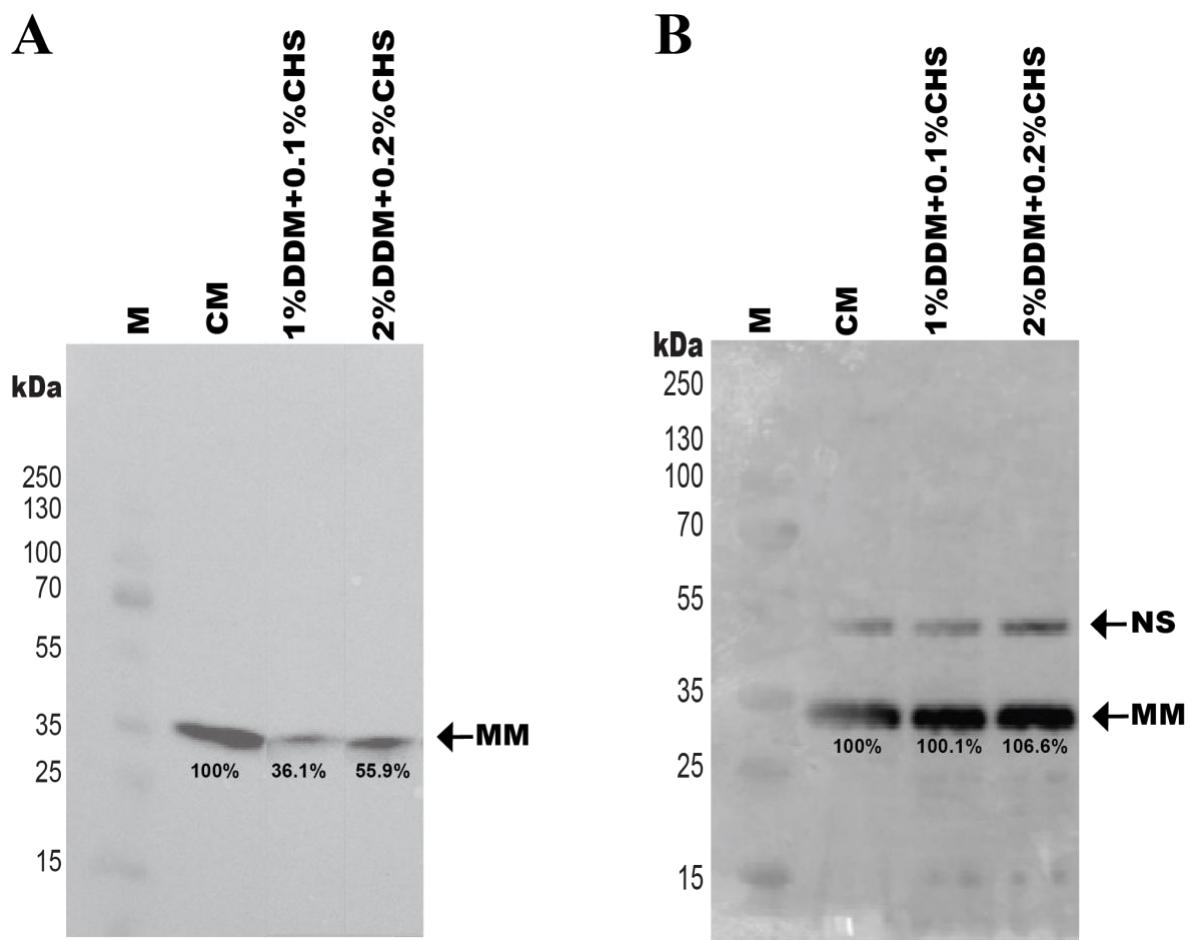
StrepII: StrepII-tag

**Figure S1**



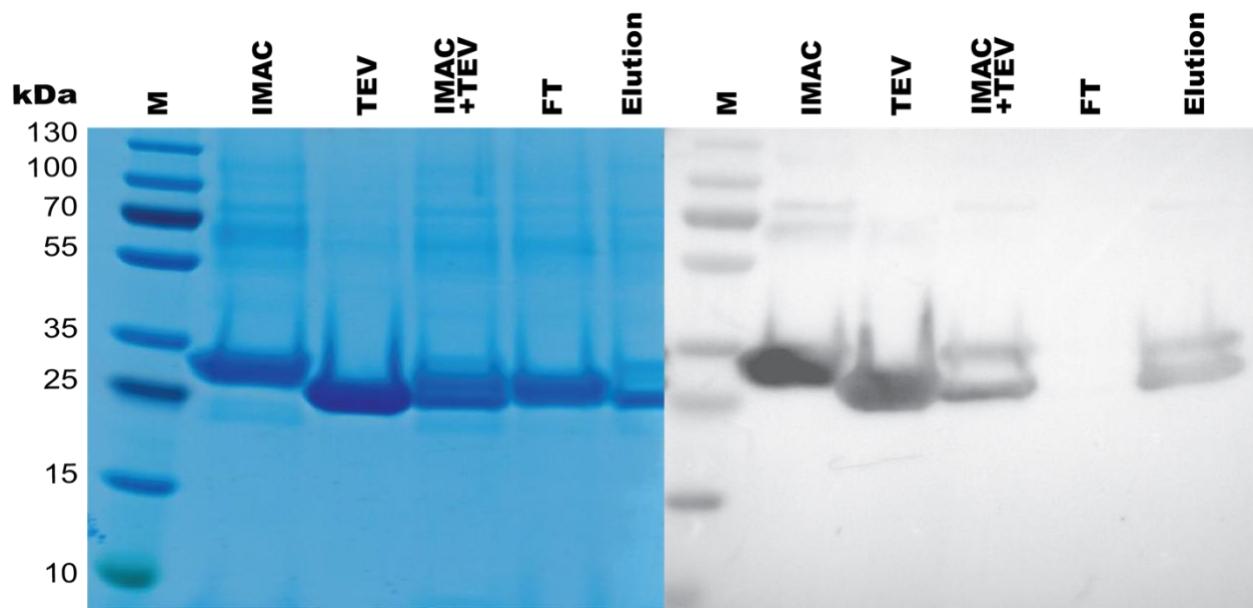
**Figure S1. Cleavage of hZIP1-TEV-GFP-His fusion with tobacco etch virus (TEV) protease.** Coomassie staining (left) and in-gel GFP fluorescence (right) of the corresponding SDS-PAGE-separated samples collected during TEV protease digestion of immobilized metal affinity chromatography (IMAC)-pure hZIP1-TEV-GFP-His fusion (IMAC purification shown in Fig. 4). TEV protease treatment was performed for 16 h at 4 °C, followed by reverse (R)-IMAC to rebind released TEV-GFP-His tag together with His-tagged TEV protease. M: marker; IMAC: IMAC-pure hZIP1-TEV-GFP-His; TEV: TEV protease alone; IMAC+TEV: IMAC-pure hZIP1-TEV-GFP-His cleaved with TEV protease; FT: R-IMAC flow-through; Wash: R-IMAC wash with 100 mM imidazole, Elution: R-IMAC elution with 300 mM imidazole; Conc: concentrated R-IMAC FT. The predicted MWs of the respective forms are: 63.3 kDa (hZIP1-TEV-GFP-His), 32.5 kDa (hZIP1), 28.0 kDa (TEV-GFP-His) and 29.5 kDa (TEV-His). Only a minor fraction of the protein sample elutes in the R-IMAC FT, indicating very low TEV protease cleavage efficiency of hZIP1-TEV-GFP-His fusion.

**Figure S2**



**Figure S2. Detergent screening of N-terminal hZIP1 fusions.** Crude membranes isolated from *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* cells (derived from 12-L cultures) expressing (A) His-TEV-hZIP1 and (B) StrepII-TEV-hZIP1 (68-h induction at 15 °C) were solubilized for 120 min at 4 °C with increasing final concentrations of DDM supplemented with CHS (1 % + 0.1 %, and 2 % + 0.2 %, respectively). Following solubilization, the supernatant after ultracentrifugation was analyzed. CHS: cholesteryl hemisuccinate Tris salt. (A) Immunoblot of SDS-PAGE-separated detergent-solubilized crude *S. cerevisiae* membranes overexpressing His-TEV-hZIP1 probed with 6×His mAb-HRP conjugate. M: marker; CM: crude membranes. Arrow indicates the monomeric (MM) form of the construct, with the predicted MW of 36.3 kDa. (B) Immunoblot of SDS-PAGE-separated detergent-solubilized crude *S. cerevisiae* membranes overexpressing StrepII-TEV-hZIP1 probed with Strep-Tactin® HRP conjugate. M: marker; CM: crude membranes. Arrows indicate the monomeric (MM) form of the construct, with the predicted MWs of 36.5 kDa and the non-specific band (NS) with higher electrophoretic mobility (~50 kDa). Numbers below each lane represent normalized signal intensities (%) relative to the signal from CM, as quantified using ImageJ software (<https://imagej.nih.gov/ij/>).

**Figure S3**



**Figure S3. Cleavage of His-TEV-hZIP1 fusion with tobacco etch virus (TEV) protease.** Coomassie staining (left) and immunoblot probed with 6×His mAb-HRP conjugate (right) of the corresponding SDS-PAGE-separated samples collected during TEV protease digestion of immobilized metal affinity chromatography (IMAC)-pure His-TEV-hZIP1 fusion (IMAC purification shown in Figs. 5A and B). TEV protease treatment was performed for 16 h at 4 °C, followed by reverse (R)-IMAC to rebind released His-TEV tag together with His-tagged TEV protease. M: marker; IMAC: IMAC-pure His-TEV-hZIP1; TEV: TEV protease alone; IMAC+TEV: IMAC-pure His-TEV-hZIP1 cleaved with TEV protease; FT: R-IMAC flow-through; Elution: R-IMAC elution with 300 mM imidazole. The predicted MWs of the respective forms are: 34.3 kDa (His-TEV-hZIP1), 32.5 kDa (hZIP1), 2.0 kDa (His-TEV) and 28.0 kDa (TEV-His). A major fraction of the protein sample elutes in the R-IMAC FT, indicating very high TEV protease cleavage efficiency of His-TEV-hZIP1 fusion.