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Figure S1. Amino acid sequence alignment of human and yeast asparagine synthetases. Amino acid sequences of human ASNS (P08243) and yeast Asn1p (P49089) were aligned using CLUSTALO available at www.uniprot.org. They showed 204 identical and 153 similar amino acid residues. The red box indicates the conserved alanine residue for our mutation study.

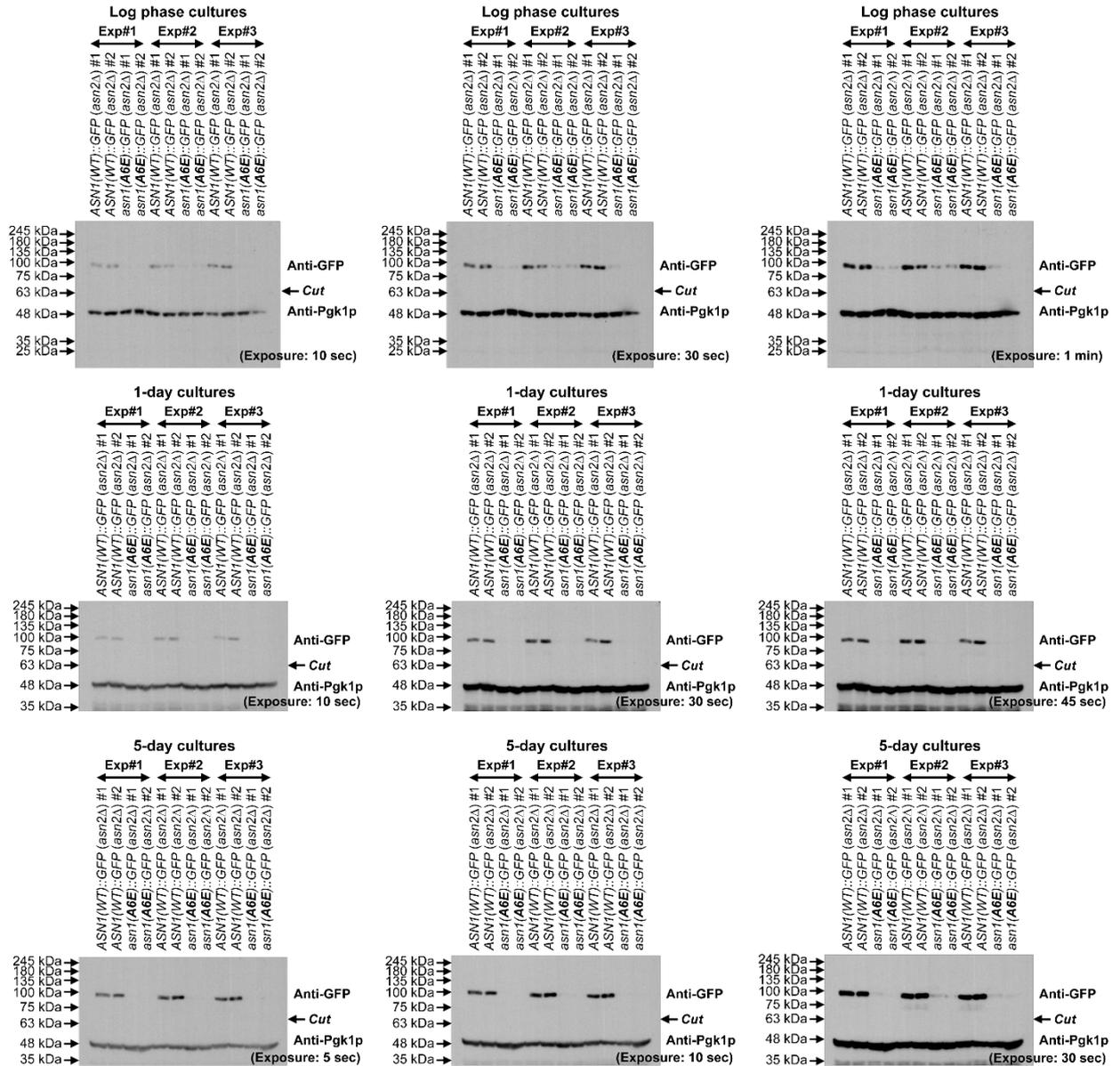


Figure s2. Expression levels of Asn1p(WT)-GFP vs. Asn1p(A6E)-GFP (in *asn2Δ* background). Two different clones of yeast *ASN1(WT)::GFP (asn2Δ)* and *asn1(A6E)::GFP (asn2Δ)* were grown in liquid YPD at 30 °C with shaking to log phase, saturation (1-day cultures), or stationary phase (5-day cultures). Then, 1, 5, or 10 OD₆₀₀ cells for log phase, 1-day, and 5-day cultures, respectively, were taken to prepare whole cell extracts for SDS-PAGE and Western blot analysis. Each membrane was cut into 2 pieces between 75 and 63 kDa bands of the pre-stained protein ladder. The upper piece of each divided blot was used to detect GFP-tagged Asn1p with anti-GFP (91.7 kDa for Asn1p(WT)-GFP, and 91.8 kDa for Asn1p(A6E)-GFP). The lower piece of each divided blot was used to detect Pgk1p (as internal loading control) (44.7 kDa). Three independent experiments were performed to confirm the results.

Table S1. List of primers used for recombinant plasmid modification (by PCR-based, site-directed mutagenesis), to make a DNA cassette for yeast transformation, and to prepare PCR products (of isolated yeast genomic DNA) for strain verification by DNA sequencing.

Primer	Sequence	Description	Used with	Product size
Primers for making DNA cassette carrying (5' to 3'): 50 bp upstream of the <i>ASN2</i> start codon, hygromycin resistance gene, and 50 bp downstream of the <i>ASN2</i> stop codon (for transformation of yeast <i>BY4741</i>)				
Plasmid template: pFA6a-hphMX6 (Addgene)				
Resulting yeast strain: <i>asn2Δ</i>				
JW2193	5'- TTGCTTCCCAGTTAAGCTCACCAAAACACAAA TACTCACTACAATAACAATGGTCGACGGATCCC CGGG -3'	Forward; with 50 nt upstream of <i>ASN2</i> start codon and sequence homology to pFA6a-hphMX6 (underlined)	JW2194	1811 bp
JW2194	5'- CCGCATTTCTTGGTTCCTCGTCAATTATAAGA ATACGATTGCGCTCGTAATCGATGAATTCGAG CTCG -3'	Reverse; with 50 nt downstream of <i>ASN2</i> stop codon and sequence homology to pFA6a-hphMX6 (underlined)	JW2193	
Primers for verifying the success of deleting <i>ASN2</i> from yeast genome				
DNA template: genomic DNA isolated from selected yeast transformants				
Verified yeast strain: <i>asn2Δ</i>				
JW2009	5'- CATTGACTCATGGCAAGATTTCTCC -3'	Forward; located 200 nt upstream of <i>ASN2</i> start codon	JW1986	1355 bp
JW1986	5'- CTCCATACAAGCCAACCACG -3'	Reverse; located at nt713-732 of hygromycin resistance coding sequence	JW2009	
Mutagenic primers for introducing A6E mutation codon (GCC → GAA) to <i>ASN1</i> coding sequence (PCR-based, site-directed mutagenesis)				
Plasmid template: pFA6a- <i>ASN1</i> -GFP-kanMX6 (Noree et al., 2019)				
Resulting plasmid: pFA6a- <i>asn1</i> (A6E)-GFP-kanMX6				
JW2295	5'- ATGTGTGGTATTTTCGAAGCTTTCAGGCACGAA -3'	Forward; A6E mutation codon (underlined)	JW2296	6593 bp
JW2296	5'- GTCGACCTGCAGCGTACGAAG -3'	Reverse	JW2295	
Primers to prepare DNA cassette carrying (5' to 3'): 50 bp upstream of <i>ASN1</i> start codon + <i>asn1</i> coding sequence (with A6E mutation codon) + <i>GFP</i> + <i>kanR</i> + 50 bp downstream of <i>ASN1</i> stop codon (for transformation of yeast <i>asn2Δ</i>)				
Plasmid template: pFA6a- <i>asn1</i> (A6E)-GFP-kanMX6				
Resulting yeast strain: <i>asn1</i> (A6E)::GFP (<i>asn2Δ</i>)				
JW2301	5'- AAAAGTATAACTTGCTTTACGCTAAGGATATA AATCGGACGTAACCTAAG ATGTGTGGTATTTTCGAAGCTTTC -3'	Forward; with 50 nt upstream of <i>ASN1</i> start codon + the first 24 nt of <i>ASN1</i> coding sequence with A6E mutation codon (underlined)	JW2160	4240 bp
JW2160	5'- AAATATCTATAAGATTAATCCATAATTCTTTTT CTATTTTTTAATGTATATCGATGAATTCGAGCT CG -3'	Reverse; with 50 nt downstream of <i>ASN1</i> stop codon and sequence homology to pFA6a- <i>asn1</i> (A6E)-GFP-kanMX6 (underlined)	JW2301	

Primer	Sequence	Description	Used with	Product size
Primers used to prepare PCR products (using genomic DNA isolated from yeast transformants as DNA templates) for strain verification by DNA sequencing (Macrogen)				
Verified yeast strain: <i>asn1(A6E)::GFP (asn2Δ)</i>				
JW2010	5'- CTGCCCACTCGAGATGACAAATA -3'	Forward; located 200 nt upstream of <i>ASN1</i> start codon	JW1623	2829 bp
JW1623	5'- GCGACCTCATACTATACCTG -3'	Reverse; located 184 nt downstream of <i>GFP</i> coding sequence	JW2010	
DNA sequencing primers				
JW2010	5'- CTGCCCACTCGAGATGACAAATA -3'	Forward; located 200 nt upstream of <i>ASN1</i> start codon		
JW2038	5'- CGCATTCTTCCACCCCAATAG -3'	Forward; located at nt601-622 of <i>ASN1</i> coding sequence		
JW2039	5'- ACATCGATCCAAATGAAAAGATG -3'	Forward; located at nt1301-1323 of <i>ASN1</i> coding sequence		
JW1623	5'- GCGACCTCATACTATACCTG -3'	Reverse; located 184 nt downstream of <i>GFP</i> coding sequence		

Table S2. Numerical and statistical data for two yeast strains, *ASN1(WT)::GFP (asn2Δ)* and *asn1(A6E)::GFP (asn2Δ)*, used to plot graphs of assembly kinetics, sodium azide treatment, and fresh glucose addition, as shown in Figure 4 and 5.

Assembly Kinetics					
Yeast strain	Clone #	% Cells with Asn1p-GFP structures (average ± SEM)			
		Log-phase	Day 1	Day 5	
<i>ASN1(WT)::GFP (asn2Δ)</i>	1	0.1 ± 0.13	26.1 ± 2.98	95.7 ± 0.93	
	2	0.1 ± 0.11	33.7 ± 2.61	99.2 ± 0.79	
<i>asn1(A6E)::GFP (asn2Δ)</i>	1	0.0 ± 0.00	13.4 ± 0.84	10.9 ± 1.39	
	2	0.0 ± 0.00	10.7 ± 0.77	10.5 ± 1.36	
P-value (A6E vs. WT)		0.0529 ^{ns} (two-tailed)	0.1788 ^{ns} (two-tailed)	0.0142* (two-tailed)	
Log-Phase Culture with Sodium Azide Treatment (15 min)					
Yeast strain	Clone #	% Cells with Asn1p-GFP structures (average ± SEM)		P-value (two-tailed)	Significantly different (< 0.05)?
		(1: 100) sterile water: log-phase culture	(1: 100) 1M NaN ₃ : log-phase culture		
<i>ASN1(WT)::GFP (asn2Δ)</i>	1	0.1 ± 0.09	71.3 ± 8.84	0.0153*	Yes
	2	0.0 ± 0.00	57.6 ± 12.12	0.0415*	Yes
<i>asn1(A6E)::GFP (asn2Δ)</i>	1	0.0 ± 0.00	1.6 ± 0.81	0.1883 ^{ns}	No
	2	0.0 ± 0.00	2.7 ± 1.44	0.2060 ^{ns}	No
5-Day Culture with Fresh Glucose Treatment (15 min)					
Yeast strain	Clone #	% Cells with Asn1p-GFP structures (average ± SEM)		P-value (two-tailed)	Significantly different (< 0.05)?
		(1: 20) sterile water: 5-day culture	(1: 20) 40% (w/v) glucose: 5-day culture		
<i>ASN1(WT)::GFP (asn2Δ)</i>	1	96.6 ± 1.22	0.7 ± 0.39	0.0002***	Yes
	2	97.0 ± 0.26	0.8 ± 0.31	<0.0001****	Yes
<i>asn1(A6E)::GFP (asn2Δ)</i>	1	13.4 ± 2.02	14.9 ± 3.06	0.2873 ^{ns}	No
	2	11.8 ± 1.46	10.2 ± 1.15	0.5081 ^{ns}	No

Notes: ns (p -value > 0.05), * (p -value ≤ 0.05), ** (p -value ≤ 0.01), *** (p -value ≤ 0.001), and **** (p -value ≤ 0.0001).