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Compositions and methods are disclosed for the production of polypeptides sensitive to proteolysis due to their content of arginine and lysine residues. The methods of the invention utilize yeast cells with reduced expression of either or both of the proteases encoded by YAP3 and MKC7. The methods of the invention also utilize yeast cells with reduced activity for either or both of the Yap3 and Mkc7 proteases. While a yeast expression system is used to demonstrate the invention, any eukaryotic cell which normally has homologues to the Yap3 and Mkc7 endoproteases may be used in the disclosed compositions and methods.

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