

Table 1. The protein economy: vital statistics

| Participant | Copies per cell | Rate of action (min ⁻¹) |
|-------------------|-----------------|---|
| Protein molecules | 2×10^9 | |
| Ribosomes | 10^7 | 3×10^6 proteins synthesized |
| HSC70 | 10^7 | 6×10^5 proteins folded |
| TRiC | 2×10^6 | 4.5×10^5 proteins folded |
| Proteasomes | 5×10^5 | 1×10^6 DRiPs degraded 6×10^5 retirees degraded |
| Ubiquitin | 10^8 | $<1.6 \times 10^6$ substrates targeted to proteasomes |
| Class I molecules | 10^5 | 150 exported with high-affinity ligands |
| Class I ligands | 10^5 | 1 produced for 10^4 proteins degraded |