

Supplemental Figure Legends

Figure S1. Loss of NatA function does not alter the [*URE3*] phenotype. Wildtype (WT, NT64) and $\Delta ard1$ [*URE3*] (+, SY1444) or [*ure-o*] (-) strains were spotted on rich media (YPD) or media lacking adenine (SD-ade) to monitor the [*URE3*] phenotype (adenine prototrophy).

Figure S2. *sup35K556E* accumulates to a wildtype level. Yeast lysates from a wildtype (WT, 74D-695) or *sup35K556E* (*K556E*, TRS64) were analyzed by SDS-PAGE and immunoblotting for Sup35 or Pkg1, as a loading control. The altered migration of Sup35K556E likely results from the change in charge due to the mutation.

Figure S3. Stop codon readthrough in wildtype and $\Delta nat1$ heterozygous mutants. Shown are brightfield (DIC) and fluorescent (DsRed) images of crosses between a [*psi*⁻] strain expressing GST-UGA-DsRED-NLS (SY1181) and wildtype [*PSI*⁺], wildtype [*psi*⁻], or $\Delta nat1$ [*PSI*⁺] (SY356) strains. The decreased level of readthrough in the heterozygous mutant indicates that loss of one copy of *NAT1* is sufficient to alter the [*PSI*⁺] phenotype, although readthrough is still detected relative to the [*psi*⁻] control.

Figure S4. Disruption of NatA does not alter chaperone expression profiles. Yeast lysates from a wildtype yeast strain (74D-694) grown at 30°C (WT) or at 37°C (HS) or from mutant strains $\Delta ard1$ (TRS169, TRS220), $\Delta nat1$ (SY356, SY357),

$\Delta ard1\Delta nat1$ (SY319, SY978) or $\Delta hsp104$ grown at 30°C were analyzed by SDS-PAGE and immunoblotting for Hsp104, Ssa1/2, Ssa3/4 or Pgk1, as a loading control.

Figure S5. Ssa3/4 expression is not induced in *ssa1S2P* or *ssa2S2P Δ ssa2* strains. Yeast lysates from a wildtype strain grown at 30°C (WT) or at 37°C (HS) and from a *ssa1S2P* (*S2P*, SY1308) and a *ssa1S2P Δ ssa2* (*S2P* Δ 2, SY1339) grown at 30°C were analyzed by SDS-PAGE and immunoblotting for Ssa3/4.

Figure S6. Loss of NatA function does not alter the number of [*PSI*⁺] propagons. Wildtype (white circles) and $\Delta ard1\Delta nat1$ (black circles, SY319) [*PSI*⁺] strains were treated with GdnHCl over time in exponentially growing cultures and analyzed for the percentage of [*PSI*⁺] cells remaining at the indicated number of generations as described in the methods.

Figure S7. Expression of GST from P_{GPD}GSTUGADsREDNLS is identical in wildtype and $\Delta nat1$ strains. Lysates from a wildtype [*psi*⁻] (*NAT1*) strain or from wildtype [*psi*⁻] (*NAT1*, SY1181) or $\Delta nat1$ (SY1180) strains expressing GSTUGADsREDNLS (+) were analyzed by SDS-PAGE and immunoblotting for GST or Pgk1, as a loading control. The similar accumulation of GST in wildtype and mutant strains indicates that expression of the reporter was not directly affected by loss of NatA function.













