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1- % cells haboring foci 2- % fluorescence at poles

Figure S1. Hierarchic association of disaggregating chaperones with protein aggregates in *E. coli* cells. (A) J proteins target DnaK to protein aggregates. *E. coli* wild type (dnaJ+/cbpA+), dnaK103, Δ dnaJ, and Δ cbpA mutant cells expressing DnaK-YFP or DnaJ-YFP fusions were grown at 30°C to mid-log phase and shifted to 45°C for 20 min. The occurrence of stress-induced polar foci indicated binding to protein aggregates. Polar localization of DnaK-YFP in Δ dnaJ cells was restored by in trans expression of either dnaJ or cbpA. (B) Thermolabile proteins aggregated in *E. coli dnaK103* cells. Formation of stress-induced protein aggregates in *E. coli dnaK103* cells. *E. coli dnaK103* cells. *E. coli dnaK103* cells expressing the thermolabile model protein MetA-YFP were grown to mid-exponential log phase at 30°C and shifted to 45°C for 20 min. (C) ClpB-trap and Δ N-ClpB bind to stress-induced protein aggregates in a DnaK-dependent manner. *E. coli MC*4100 Δ clpB cells expressing ClpB-YFP, clpB-trap-YFP, or Δ N-ClpB-YFP were grown to mid-exponential log phase at 30°C and shifted to 45°C for 20 min. The occurrence of heat-induced foci indicates binding to protein aggregates. The fraction of cells harboring ClpB-YFP was determined (*n* = 200). The degree of aggregate binding was calculated by determining the fluorescence intensity of ClpB-YFP foci (*n* = 20). (D) DnaK-dependent interaction of ClpB-YFP foci formation was performed as described in C. (E) The hybrid protein HBH-YFP requires DnaK for efficient binding to protein aggregates in *E. coli dnaK103* expressing HBH-YFP were grown to mid-exponential log phase at 30°C and shifted to 45°C for 20 min. Quantification of stress-induced ClpB-YFP foci (*n* = 20). (D) DnaK-dependent interaction of ClpB-trap-YFP and Δ N-ClpB-YFP with protein aggregates. *E. coli dnaK103* cells expressing ClpB-YFP foci (*n* = 20). (D) DnaK-dependent interaction of ClpB-trap-YFP and Δ N-ClpB-YFP with protein aggregates. *E. coli dnaK103* cells expressing ClpB-YFP foci (*n* = 2



Figure S2. Diffuse cytosolic localization of Rng1-mcherry upon inhibition of Hsp104 by guanidinium hydrochloride (GdnHCl). S. cerevisiae SSA1 or ssa1-45(ts) cells expressing Rnq1-mCherry were passaged three times on SD plates with or without (±) 3 mM GdnHCl. Afterward, the cells were grown in SD media supplemented with 3 mM GdnHCl to mid-exponential growth phase at 25°C and were analyzed for their ability to form prion fibrils. The detection of diffuse cytosolic fluorescence indicates curing of the prion phenotype. Bars, 2 µm. (B) Rnq1p-GFP forms SDS-resistant aggregates in S. cerevisiae SSA1 and ssa1:45(ts) cells. S. cerevisiae SSA1 or ssa1:45(ts) cells expressing Rnq1 GFP were grown at 25°C or heat shocked to 37°C for 90 min. Total cell lysates were prepared, separated by SDD-AGE, and immunostained with YFP-specific antibodies. Furthermore, cell lysates of SSA1 or ssa1-45(ts) cells, which were initially treated with 3 mM GdnHCl, expressing soluble Rnq1-GFP were included in the analysis as control. The positions of soluble, monomeric protein and SDS-resistant oligomeric forms are indicated. (C) Comparable expression levels of Ssa1/Ssa1-45ts and Hsp104-CFP in SSA1 or ssa1-45(ts) cells. Yeast cells were grown at 25°C to mid-exponential growth phase. 12.5 µg/ml cycloheximide was added and cells were shifted for 90 min to 37°C before being heat shocked for 20 min at 45°C. Samples were collected at 25°C, 37°C, and 45°C and subjected to Western blot analysis using Ssa1- or Hsp104-specific antibodies. Glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate dehydrogenase (GAPDH) levels were determined by specific antibodies and served as a loading control. (D) Viability of SSA1 or ssa1-45(ts) cells is not affected during the applied heat treatments. SSA1 or ssa1-45(ts) cells expressing Hsp104-CFP were grown to exponential growth phase at 25°C. Cycloheximide was added and cells were incubated at 37°C for 90 min and then heat shocked for 20 min at 45°C. At the indicated time points, cells were washed and spotted in fivefold dilutions on YPD agar plates. Plates were incubated at 25°C for 2 d. (E) Diffuse cytosolic localization of NM-YFP upon inhibition of Hsp104 by guanidinium hydrochloride (GdnHCl). S. cerevisiae SSA1 or ssa1-45(ts) cells expressing NM-YFP were passaged three times on SD plates with or without (±) 3 mM GdnHCl. Afterward, the cells were grown in SD media to mid exponential growth phase at 25°C and were analyzed for their ability to form prion fibrils. The detection of diffuse cytosolic fluorescence indicates curing of the prion phenotype. Bars, 2 µm. (F) NM-YFP forms SDS-resistant aggregates in S. cerevisiae SSA1 and ssa1-45(ts) cells. S. cerevisiae SSA1 or ssa 1-45(ts) cells expressing NM-YFP were grown at 25°C or heat shocked to 37°C for 90 min. Total cell lysates were prepared, separated by SDD-AGE, and immunostained with YFP-specific antibodies. Furthermore, cell lysates of SSA1 or ssa1-45(ts) cells, which were initially treated with 3 mM GdnHCl, expressing soluble NM-YFP were included in the analysis as control. The positions of soluble, monomeric protein and SDS-resistant oligomeric forms are indicated. (G and H) FLIP measurements of Hsp104-eqFP611 (G) and Sup35-GFP (H) were performed in SSA1 and ssa1-45(ts) cells at 25°C and 37°C. For comparison, the mobilities of diffuse Hsp104-eqFP611 located outside the foci (cytosol) or of diffuse Sup35-GFP in [psi-] cells were determined. The mobility of Sup35-GFP was also monitored in SSA1 cells at 37°C after the addition of GdnHCl, resulting in Hsp104 inactivation. Curves represent the mean of 15-25 cells and the corresponding standard errors. Because of the reduced photostability of eqFP611 compared with CFP, FLIP curves recorded for the different fluorophores (Fig. 4 B) cannot be directly compared (Wiedenmann et al., 2002). (I–K) Diffuse cytosolic localizations of the prion model proteins Mot3-YFP (J), Lsm4-YFP (K), and Nrp1-YFP (L) upon inhibition of Hsp104 by guanidinium hydrochloride (GdnHCl). S. cerevisiae SSA1 or ssa1-45(ts) cells expressing the indicated fluorescent prion domains were passaged three times on SD plates ± 3 mM GdnHCl. Afterward, the cells were grown in SD media to mid-exponential growth phase at 25°C and were analyzed for their ability to form prion fibrils. The detection of diffuse cytosolic fluorescence indicates curing of the prion phenotype. The broken lines indicate the borders of respective yeast cells. Bar, 2 µm



Figure S3. **Colocalizations were confirmed by line intensity plots of deconvoluted wide-field images corresponding to various figures.** (A–C) Fig. 3 A–C; (D) Fig. 5 A; (E) Fig. 6 A; (H) Fig. 54 A; (I) Fig. 7 A; (J) Fig. 55 A; (K) Fig. 7 B; (L–M) Fig. 8, A and B; (N–P) Fig. 9, A–C. Line intensity plots of ssa1-45(ts) cells are depicted (25° C and 37° C). Co-localizations observed in *SSA1* cells were also confirmed by line intensity plots but are not depicted. (F and G) Co-localization of Hsp104-eqFP611 and Sup35-GFP in *SSA1* and ssa1-45(ts) cells. Cells were grown at 25° C and shifted to 37° C. The frequency of Sup35-GFP and Hsp104-eqFP611 colocalization is given (n = 100). The broken lines indicate the borders of respective yeast cells. Sup35-GFP formed multiple foci in *SSA1* and ssa1-45(ts) cells. Labeling of the chromosomal copy Hsp104 with the red fluorescent protein eqFP611 caused the formation of fewer but more intense Sup35-GFP foci, which remained SDS-resistant and were converted to soluble and diffuse Sup35-GFP upon GdnHCl treatment (not depicted).



Figure S4. **Ssa1-45 is deficient in binding to prion fibrils at 37°C.** (A) NM-YFP; (B) Mot3-YFP; (C) Lsm4-YFP; (D) Nrp1-YFP. *S. cerevisiae SSA1* or ssa1-45(ts) cells expressing the indicated fluorescent prion domains and Hsp104-CFP were grown at 25°C to mid-log phase and shifted to 37°C for 90 min, resulting in inactivation of Ssa1-45. Cells were fixed, and association of Ssa1-45 with prion aggregates was monitored by immunofluorescence using Ssa-specific antibodies. The broken lines indicate the borders of respective yeast cells. Bars, 2 µm.



Figure S5. **Overproduction of full-length Hsp104 impairs NM-YFP prion propagation.** (A) Full-length Hsp104 associates with NM-YFP fibrils under permissive conditions. *SSA1* or *ssa1-45*(ts) cells expressing NM-YFP were grown to mid-exponential growth phase at 25°C and shifted to 37°C for 90 min. Cells were fixed and binding of Hsp104 to NM-YFP fibrils was monitored by immunofluorescence using Hsp104-specific antibodies. The broken lines indicate the borders of respective yeast cells. Bars, 2 µm. (B) Degree of Hsp104 and/or Δ N-Hsp104 overproduction upon induction of the copper-inducible promoter. Plasmid-encoded Hsp104 or Δ N-Hsp104 were expressed from a copper-inducible promoter in *S. cerevisiae SSA1* cells expressing NM-YFP. First, NM-YFP was induced for 2 h with galactose before copper was added to induce the expression of Hsp104 and Δ N-Hsp104 overproduction was verified from three to four independent experiments. Levels of GAPDH were determined by immunoblot analysis using GAPDH-specific antibodies and served as a loading control. (C) Accumulation of soluble NM-YFP ribbons upon overproduction of full-length Hsp104. Plasmid-encoded Hsp104 or Δ N-Hsp104 were expressed from a copper-inducible promoter in *S. cerevisiae SSA1* cells, SSA1 cells, SSA1 *espressing* NM-YFP. First, NM-YFP was induced for 2 h with galactose before copper was added to induce the expression of full-length Hsp104. Plasmid-encoded Hsp104 or Δ N-Hsp104 were expressed from a copper-inducible promoter in *S. cerevisiae SSA1* cells, SSA1 *pdr5*, and *SSA1 sti1* expressing NM-YFP. First, NM-YFP was induced for 2 h with galactose before copper was added to induce the expression of the Hsp104 variants for 22 h. Formation of diffuse, dot- and ring-like NM-YFP fluorescence was quantified from 200 cells for SSA1 cells, SSA1 *pdr5*, and *SSA1 pdr5*, and *SSA1 sti1* cells expressing NM-YFP. (D) Binding of Ssa1 to RNQ-GFP is not perturbed in the presence of high Hsp104 levels. Hsp104-overexpressing SSA1 cells were fixed, and Ssa1 colocalizat

Table S1. E. coli plasmids used in this study

| Plasmid | Resistance Origin Induction levels | | Reference | |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| placlq | Spectinomycin | p15A | Constitutive | Bukau laboratory |
| pDM1.1 | Kanamycin | p15A | Constitutive | Bukau laboratory |
| pHSG clpB-yfp | Chloramphenicol | pSC101 | 200 µM IPTG | Bukau laboratory |
| pHSG dnaK-yfp | Chloramphenicol | pSC101 | 100 µM IPTG | Bukau laboratory |
| pDK66 dnaJ-yfp | Chloramphenicol | pSC101 | 10 µM IPTG | Sourjik laboratory |
| pHSG hsp104-yfp | Chloramphenicol | pSC101 | 100 µM IPTG | This study |
| pHSG hbh-yfp | Chloramphenicol | pSC101 | 100 µM IPTG | This study |
| pDK66 <i>metA-yfp</i> | Ampicillin | pBR322 | 50 µM IPTG | Bukau laboratory |
| pHSG-clpB trap-yfp | Chloramphenicol | pSC101 | 200 µM IPTG | This study |
| рНSG clpB ΔN-yfp | Chloramphenicol | pSC101 | 200 µM IPTG | This study |
| pUHE21 dnaJ | Ampicillin | illin pBR322 100 μM IPTG | | Bukau laboratory |
| pUHE21 <i>cbpA</i> | Ampicillin | pBR322 | 100 µM IPTG | Bukau laboratory |
| pUHE21 dnaK | Ampicillin | pBR322 | 100 µM IPTG | Bukau laboratory |
| pUHE 21 dnaKV436F | Ampicillin | pBR322 | 100 µM IPTG | Bukau laboratory |
| pBAD luciferase | Ampicillin | pBR322 | 0.015% arabinose | Bukau laboratory |

Table S2. E. coli strains used in this study

| Strain | Genotype | Reference |
|--------|---|------------------|
| MC4100 | F-araD139 Δ(argF-lac)U169* rspL150 relA1 flbB5301 fruA25‡ deoC1 ptsF25 e14- | Bukau laboratory |
| BB7140 | MC4100 clpB::kan | Bukau laboratory |
| BB6735 | MC4100 <i>AclpB</i> | Bukau laboratory |
| | MC4100 <i>∆clp</i> B pHSG <i>clpB-yfp</i> placlq | This study |
| | MC4100 <i>∆clpB pHSG clpB trap-yfp</i> placlq | This study |
| | MC4100 $\Delta clpB$ pHSG clpB ΔN -yfp placIq | This study |
| BB6735 | MC4100 clpB::kan | |
| | MC4100 <i>clpB::kan</i> pHSG <i>hsp104-yfp</i> placlq | This study |
| | MC4100 <i>clpB::kan</i> pHSG <i>clpB</i> -yfp placlq | This study |
| | MC4100 clpB::kan pHSG hbh-yfp placiq | This study |
| | MC4100 clpB::kan pHSG dnaK-yfp placlq | This study |
| | MC4100 clpB::kan pHSG clpB-yfp placIq pBAD luciferase | This study |
| | MC4100 clpB::kan pHSG hbh-yfp placIq pBAD luciferase | This study |
| | MC4100 clpB::kan pHSG placlq pBAD luciferase | This study |
| | MC4100 clpB::kan pHSG hsp104-yfp placIq pBAD luciferase | This study |
| BB1064 | MC4100 dnaJ::tet | Bukau laboratory |
| | MC4100 dnaJ::tet pHSG dnaK-yfp pUHE21 | This study |
| | MC4100 dnaJ::tet pHSG dnaK-yfp pUHE21 dnaJ | This study |
| | MC4100 dnaJ::tet pHSG dnaK-yfp pUHE21 cbpA | This study |
| | MC4100 cbpA::kan | Bukau laboratory |
| | MC4100 cbpA::kan pHSG dnaK-yfp pUHE21 | This study |
| C600 | F- tonA21 thi-1 thr-1 leuB6 lacY1 glnV44 rfbC1 fhuA1 λ- | Bukau laboratory |
| | C600 pHSG <i>clpB-yfp</i> placlq | This study |
| BB2393 | C600 dnaK103 | Bukau laboratory |
| | C600 dnaK103 pDK66 metA-yfp | This study |
| | C600 dnaK103 pHSG clpB-yfp placlq pUHE21 | This study |
| | C600 dnaK103 pHSG clpB-yfp placlq pUHE21 dnaK | This study |
| | C600 dnaK103 pHSG clpB-yfp placlq pUHE21 dnaKV436F | This study |

Table S3. Yeast plasmids used in this study

| Plasmid | Marker | Description | Reference |
|----------------------------|--------|---|----------------------------|
| pBS10 | HygB | pFA6a-link-Cerulean-hphMx4 | NCRR Yeast Resource Center |
| pYM51 | HygB | eqFP611-hphMx4 | EUROSCARF |
| р423 сир | His | Copper promoter, 2µ | This study |
| p423 cup Δ <i>N-hsp104</i> | His | Copper promoter, 2µ | This study |
| p423 cup hsp104 | His | Copper promoter, 2µ | This study |
| p426 nm-yfp | Ura | Gal1 promoter, 2µ | S. Lindquist laboratory |
| p416 nm-yfp | Ura | Gal1 promoter, CEN | This study |
| p426 mot3-yfp | Ura | Gal1 promoter, 2µ | This study |
| p426 lsm4-yfp | Ura | Gal1 promoter, 2µ | This study |
| p426 nrp1-yfp | Ura | Gal1 promoter, 2µ | This study |
| p426 rnq1-mcherry | Ura | Gal1 promoter, 2µ | This study |
| p426 Gal rnq1-gfp | Ura | Gal1 promoter, 2µ | This study |
| pRS306 citrine luciferase | Ura | ACT1 promoter, integrative plasmid | Bukau laboratory |
| pSB20 | Ura | Integrative plasmid encoding P _{sup35} Sup35-GFP | T. Serio laboratory |

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| Strain | Genotype | Reference |
|---------|--|--------------------|
| YWO0625 | Mat a ura3-52 leu2-3 his3-11 lys2 trp1-D1 ssa2::Leu2 ssa3::TRP1 ssa4::Lys2 | D. Wolf laboratory |
| | hsp104::cfp hphMX4 p426 nm-yfp | This study |
| | hsp104::eqFP 611 hphMX4 pSB20 sup35-gfp | This study |
| | p426 nm-yfp | This study |
| | p426 rnq1-gfp | This study |
| | hsp104::cfp hphMX4 p426 rnq1-mcherry | This study |
| | hsp104::cfp hphMX4 p426 mot3-yfp | This study |
| | hsp104::cfp hphMX4 p426 lsm4-yfp | This study |
| | hsp104::cfp hphMX4 p426 nrp1-yfp | This study |
| | p416 <i>nm-yfp</i> p423 cup | This study |
| | p416 nm-yfp p423 cup hsp104 | This study |
| | р416 nm-yfp р423 сир ΔN-hsp104 | This study |
| | hsp104::: AN-hsp104-cfp hphMX4 p426 nm-yfp | This study |
| | sti14:: hphMX4 p416 nm-yfp p423 cup | This study |
| | sti1∆:: hphMX4 p416 nm-yfp p423 cup hsp104 | This study |
| | pdr5∆ hphMX4 p423 cup | This study |
| | pdr5∆ hphMX4 p423 hsp104 | This study |
| | p426 Gal <i>rnq1-gfp, p423</i> cup | This study |
| | p426 Gal rnq1-gfp, p423 cup hsp104 | This study |
| | p426 Gal rnq1-gfp, p423 cup ∆N-hsp104 | This study |
| YWO0622 | Mat a ura3-52 leu2-3 his3-11 lys2 trp1-D1 ssa1-45 ssa2::Leu2 ssa3::TRP1 ssa4::Lys2 | D. Wolf laboratory |
| | hsp104::cfp hphMX4 p426 nm-yfp | This study |
| | hsp104::eq FP611 hphMX4 pSB20 sup35-gfp | This study |
| | p426 nm-yfp | This study |
| | p426 rnq1-gfp | This study |
| | hsp104::cfp hphMX4 p426 rnq1-mcherry | This study |
| | hsp104::cfp hphMX4 p426 mot3-yfp | This study |
| | hsp104::cfp hphMX4 p426 lsm4-yfp | This study |
| | hsp104::cfp hphMX4 p426 nrp1-yfp | This study |
| | hsp104::∆N-hsp104-cfp hphMX4 p426 nm-yfp | This study |

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