

Table S1. *S. cerevisiae* strains used in this study

Strain	Genotype	Source
$[pin^-]$ (74-D694)	<i>MATa, ade1-14UGA, ura3-52, leu2-3,112, trp1-289, his3-200, [psi^-][pin^-]</i>	(1)
$[pin^-]$ alpha	<i>MATα, ade1-14UGA, ura3-52, leu2-3,112, trp1-289, his3-200, [psi^-][pin^-]</i>	This study
$[PIN^+]^{low}$ (L1943)	<i>MATa, ade1-14UGA, ura3-52, leu2-3,112, trp1-289, his3-200, [psi^-][PIN^+]^{low}</i>	(2)
$[PIN^+]^{low}$ deletions	<i>MATa, ade1-14UGA, ura3-52, leu2-3,112, trp1-289, his3-200 [psi^-] deleted gene::HIS3</i>	This study
$[PIN^+]^{medium}$ (L1945)	<i>MATa, ade1-14UGA, ura3-52 leu2-3,112, trp1-289, his3-200 [psi^-][PIN^+]^{medium}</i>	(2)
$[PIN^+]^{medium}$ deletions	<i>MATa, ade1-14UGA, ura3-52, leu2-3,112, trp1-289, his3-200 [psi^-] deleted gene::HIS3</i>	This study
$[PIN^+]^{high}$ (L1749)	<i>MATa, ade1-14UGA, ura3-52 leu2-3,112, trp1-289, his3-200 [psi^-][PIN^+]^{high}</i>	(2)
$[PIN^+]^{high}$ deletions	<i>MATa, ade1-14UGA, ura3-52, leu2-3,112, trp1-289, his3-200 [psi^-] deleted gene::HIS3</i>	This study
HF7c	<i>MATa his3-200 leu2-3 trp1-901 ura3-52 LYS::GALIUAS-GALITATA-HIS3</i>	Clontech

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SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURE LEGENDS

Figure S1. Confirmation of $[PSI^+]$ induction in haploid deletion strains. Putative $[PSI^+]$ colonies (Figure 1) were streaked onto YEPD medium containing 3 mM Guanidine HCl and then restreaked onto CSM and CSM-ADE media to confirm effective prion curing. The presence of red pigment on CSM medium and the lack of growth on CSM-ADE medium suggest that $[PSI^+]$ was effectively cured, thereby signifying that the growth of induced colonies on CSM-ADE medium observed in Figure 1 was prion-related and suggesting that they were $[PSI^+]$.

Figure S2. Maintenance of chaperone gene deletion-induced changes in $[PIN^+]$ variant-dependent phenotypes. Chaperone deletion strains were mated with a wild-type $[psi^-][pin^-]$ strain, and the resulting diploids were analyzed for $[PSI^+]$ induction efficiency (A) and frequency of multiple Rnq1-GFP foci in foci-containing cells (B). Error bars represent SEMs. Student's *t*-tests were done to compare quantification in deletion strains versus their parental wild-type strain. * $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$, *** $P < 0.001$.

Figure S3. Confirmation of $[PSI^+]$ induction in haploid progeny. Putative $[PSI^+]$ colonies from wild-type (+) and mutant (-) haploid progeny (Figure 4) were streaked onto YEPD medium containing 3 mM Guanidine HCl and then restreaked onto CSM and CSM-ADE media to confirm effective prion curing. The presence of red pigment on CSM medium and the lack of growth on CSM-ADE medium suggest that $[PSI^+]$ was effectively cured, thereby signifying that the growth of induced colonies on CSM-ADE medium observed in Figure 3 was prion-related and suggesting that they were $[PSI^+]$.

Figure S4. Dominance of chaperone gene deletion-induced variants. Diploids were generated by mating chaperone deletion stains with a wild-type $[psi^-]$ strains carrying the $[PIN^+]^{low}$ or $[PIN^+]^{medium}$ or $[PIN^+]^{high}$ variant. These diploids were analyzed for $[PSI^+]$ induction efficiency (A) and frequency of multiple Rnq1-GFP foci in foci-containing cells (B). Error bars represent SEMs. Student's *t*-tests were done to compare quantification in deletion strains versus their parental wild-type strain. * $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$, *** $P < 0.001$.

Figure S5. Characterization of the $[PIN^+]$ state of the yeast two-hybrid strain, HF7c. A, Rnq1-GFP localizes in a diffuse manner without visible puncta in the HF7c strain. B, SDD-AGE of HA-Rnq1p purified from $[pin^-]$, $[PIN^+]^{low}$, $[PIN^+]^{medium}$, $[PIN^+]^{high}$ and HF7c strains. HA-Rnq1p isolated from the HF7c strain migrates similarly to HA-Rnq1p isolated from the $[pin^-]$ strain.