Supporting Information

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Fig. 51. *FES1* mutant cells are hypersensitive to conditions inducing protein misfolding conditions and accumulate protein aggregates. (A) $fes1\Delta$ strains are hypersensitive to elevated growth temperature. Tenfold dilutions of a series of cell suspensions were spotted onto YPD medium and were incubated at the indicated temperatures. (B) Total protein extracts from WT and $fes1\Delta$ cells grown in Yeast extract peptone dextrose (YPD) at 25 °C separated by SDS/PAGE and stained with Coomassie Brilliant Blue or analyzed by Western blotting with antibodies specific for Hsp70 (Ssa1/2 rabbit polyclonal serum), Hsp90 (monoclonal antibody K41220A), and Hsp104 (rabbit polyclonal serum). (C) Images of GFP fluorescence microcopy of fixed WT and $fes1\Delta$ cells expressing the aggregation reporter luciferase-GFP grown at 25 °C or heat shocked (HS) at 37 °C for 30 min. The arrow shows an aggregate. The aggregation data were quantified by counting the fraction of cells (n = 30) that contained detectable GFP aggregates. The error bars indicate the SD of three datasets from independent biological replicates. (*D*) Western analysis of luciferase (Luci)-GFP expression levels in the same strains under identical growth conditions as in C.



Fig. S2. Cells lacking *FES1* are hypersensitive to mutations that impair heat shock factor 1 (Hsf1) and chaperones Hsp70 and Hsp104. (A) Genetic interactions scored by growth phenotypes between *fes1* Δ and a mutation that impair Hsf1 activity from truncation of the C-terminal activation domain (*hsf1* Δ CT). (B) Heat shock induction (Hsp70, Hsp90, and Hsp104) in the indicated strains was assessed by SDS/PAGE. (C) Genetic interactions between *fes1* Δ and the genetic deletion of the three heat shock–inducible Hsp70s (*ssa1/3/4* Δ), of the ribosome-associated Hsp70s (*ssb1/2* Δ), or of the AAA+ ATPase and disaggregase Hsp104 (*hsp104* Δ).



Fig. S3. Folding-deficient model substrates. (*A*) Shown are the DHFR constructs used in this study, all of which were expressed from the copper-inducible promoter (PCUP) on centromeric plasmids and epitope tagged with human influenza hemagglutinin epitope (HA), the FLAG epitope (FLAG), or GFP. The Ura3 protein is the enzyme orotidine-5'-phosphate decarboxylate in uracil biosynthesis. (*B*) Cycloheximide chase assay of yeast cells expressing WT or the mutant DHFR-HA-Ura3 constructs. Proteins were detected by anti-HA Western blotting. A cross-reactive band is indicated by an asterisk. (*C*) Growth assay of yeast cells expressing the same constructs as in *B* on synthetic dextrose (SD) minimal media lacking uracil. (*D*) Illustration of the crystal structure of mouse Dihydrofolate reductase (DHFR). The α helix (residues 116–128) deleted in DHFR^{mutD} is highlighted in purple. The two residues (T39A, E173D) that are mutated in DHFR^{mutC} are highlighted in magenta.



Fig. 54. Folding-deficient proteins are degraded by the ubiquitin/proteasome system (UPS). (A) Folding-deficient DHFR is stabilized in the proteasome-deficient $ump1\Delta$ mutant (1). Cycloheximide chase assay of DHFR^{mutD}-Ura3 stability in WT and $ump1\Delta$ strains. A cross-reactive band is indicated by an asterisk. (B) A functional ubiquitin-activating enzyme is required for the degradation of folding-deficient DHFR. Cycloheximide chase assay of DHFR^{mutD}-Ura3 in WT and uba1-ts26, a strain expressing a temperature-sensitive ubiquitin-activating enzyme (2). Cells were shifted to the restrictive temperature (37 °C) 20 min before the addition of cycloheximide. A cross-reactive band is indicated by an asterisk. (C) The redundant ubiquitin-conjugating enzymes Ubc4 or Ubc5 are required for degradation of folding-deficient DHFR (3). (D) DHFR^{mutD}-Ura3 degradation is attenuated in the $ubr1\Delta$ mutant lacking the ubiquitin ligase Ubr1 (4). (E) Folding-deficient DHFR is ubiquitylated in vivo. Protein extracts from WT yeast cells expressing FLAG-tagged versions of WT DHFR or its mutant derivatives were subjected to a pull-down experiment using anti-FLAG resin. Bound material was analyzed by anti-ubiquitin and, after stripping, by anti-FLAG Western blotting.

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Fig. S5. Ssa class Hsp70 chaperones are required specifically for degradation of folding-deficient proteins. (A) Folding-deficient DHFR is stabilized in the *ssa1-45* mutant (1). Cycloheximide (CH) chase assay of DHFR^{mutC}-HA-Ura3 and DHFR^{mutD}-HA-Ura3 stability in WT and *ssa1-45* cells. Cells were shifted to the restrictive temperature (37 °C) 20 min before the addition of cycloheximide. (B) The Hsp70 chaperone Ssa1 is associated with folding-deficient DHFR. Protein extracts from a yeast strain expressing a 3xHA-tagged Ssa1 and FLAG-tagged versions of WT DHFR or its mutant derivative (mutC) were subjected to a pull-down experiment using anti-FLAG resin. Bound material was analyzed by anti-HA and, after stripping, by anti-FLAG Western blotting. The control strain expressed Ssa1-3xHA but no FLAG-tagged substrate. (C) Ssa class chaperones are not required for the degradation of the ubiquitin-fusion degradation (UFD) pathway substrate Ub_{V76}-HA-Ura3. Shown is a cycloheximide chase assay with the same strains as in *A* but with the UFD substrate. Cross-reactive bands are indicated by asterisks.

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Fig. 56. Hsp40 Ydj1 is required specifically for degradation of folding-deficient proteins. (A) Folding-deficient DHFR is stabilized in the *ydj1-151* mutant. Cycloheximide chase assay of DHFR^{mutC}-HA-Ura3 and DHFR^{mutD}-HA-Ura3 stability in WT and *ydj1-151* cells (1, 2). Cells were shifted to the restrictive temperature (37 °C) 20 min before the addition of cycloheximide. A cross-reactive band is indicated by an asterisk. (*B*) The Hsp40 cochaperone Ydj1 is associated with folding-deficient DHFR. Protein extracts from a yeast strain expressing a 3xHA tagged Ydj1 and FLAG-tagged versions of WT DHFR or its mutant derivative (mutC) were subjected to a pull-down experiment using anti-FLAG resin. The control strain expressed Ydj1-3xHA but no FLAG-tagged substrate. Bound material was analyzed by anti-HA and, after stripping, by anti-FLAG Western blotting. (C) Cycloheximide chase assay showing degradation of the UFD pathway substrate Ub_{V76}-HA-Ura3 in WT and *ydj1-151* cells. Control, extract of WT cells with an empty vector. Cross-reactive bands are indicated by asterisks.

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Fig. S7. Formation of intracellular aggregates of folding-deficient proteins. Cells with the indicated genotypes expressing DHFR^{mutC}-GFP were grown at 30 °C and shifted for 20 min to 37 °C before inspection in the fluorescence microscope (*Left*). (*Right*) Differential interference contrast (DIC) images of the same frames.



Fig. S8. Fes1 binds to misfolded proteins and promotes their degradation. (*A*) Fes1 is associated with folding-deficient DHFR. Protein extracts from a yeast strain expressing a 3xHA tagged Fes1 and FLAG-tagged versions of WT DHFR or its mutant derivative (mutC) were subjected to a pull-down experiment using anti-FLAG resin. The control strain expressed Fes1-3xHA but no FLAG-tagged substrate. Bound material was analyzed by anti-HA and, after stripping, by anti-FLAG Western blotting. (*B*) Fes1 Δ cells are impaired in the degradation of folding-deficient DHFR^{mutD}-Ura3 protein. Two transformants each of WT, fes1 Δ , sse1 Δ , snl1 Δ , ump1 Δ , and ubr1 Δ cells expressing the indicated proteins were grown to midlog phase and spotted at a concentration of 10 OD₆₀₀ per milliliter onto selective media lacking the indicated ingredients. Plates were incubated for 3 d at 30 °C.