

Mixed Integer Linear Programming based machine learning approach identifies *regulators* of telomerase in yeast

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Supplementary Material

Text S1. Model performances

To elucidate if rather small models or the larger models show a better performance, we assembled the performance results (Pearson correlation between prediction and measured expression value) of all cross-validation runs for each model size (from 1 until 10 regulators). The results are given in Figure S6, showing a quite homogenous performance with a tendency that the smaller models yielded the better results. Furthermore, Figure S7 shows a scatterplot of the predicted versus the experimental expression of *EST1* for the short *t/m* (red) and the control dataset (black) with a correlation of PCC $r=0.51$.

As typically, a standard (L2 based) linear regression coupled with analysis of Variance is employed for such a bottom up or top down approach to get models with different optimized sets of parameters, we calculated the adjusted R^2 for the complete short *t/m* dataset (Figure S8). We found increasing adjusted R^2 values until 11 regulators, after which a large decline occurred. This is in line with our approach of selecting models below 11 regulators. To relate the model results with the correlation analysis, we compared the beta values (median over all cross-validations) with the correlation between the regulator activities and *EST1* expression. We expected that a positive correlation between the regulator activities and *EST1* expression is positively correlated with the beta values for this regulator. Indeed, 10 out of the 12 significant regulators of *EST1* in the short *t/m* dataset showed this behavior (see Table S9 for all values). For the controls, this was much less (3 out of 12) reflecting the property of the selected TFs to better explain the dataset we focussed on (short *t/m* mutants). We further investigated how often each regulator was chosen over the cross-validation runs in the short *t/m* and the control datasets (Figure S3) as well as how often the regulator was chosen in models with one to 10 regulators (Table S10 and S11). For *EST1*, Sum1 and Hst1 were selected most often for the short *t/m* dataset and comparably unfrequently for the control dataset. This confirms that Sum1 and Hst1 were the most important regulators explaining *EST1* expression. These frequencies further showed that Sum1 and Hst1 were used mutually exclusive, in particular for the smaller models (1-5 regulators, see Table S12).

Text S2. Correlation analysis

If the activity of a regulator was very similar to the activity of another regulator in each of the investigated samples, the model may have difficulties distinguishing between them and may neglect one of these regulators causing false negatives. To identify such false negatives due to collinearity of the regulators' activity values, we (i) performed a correlation analysis between the activity values of each pair of the different regulators, (ii) calculated the correlations between the regulators' activity values and the gene expression of the putatively targeting *EST* genes, and (iii) simulated *in silico* knockouts to identify mutually exclusive regulators.

For (i) and (ii), the correlations were calculated for the short *t/m* mutants and the controls separately. Then, the largest differences (between short *t/m* mutants and controls) were selected to obtain short *t/m* mutant specific regulators. A complete list of all positively correlating regulators with a difference in activity correlation larger or equal to 0.1 is shown in Table S8, some results are pointed out in the

following. For *EST1*, the correlation differences of regulator pairs were quite low, we found the highest activity correlation difference between Sum1 and Hst1 activities (correlation difference between short *t/m* mutants and the controls: PCC $r=0.17$). This is in agreement with the results from our modeling analysis (Table 1 in the main text). For *EST2* and *EST3* the differences were larger. The largest difference for *EST2* was $r=0.45$ for the pair Rtg3 and Rgt1, and for *EST3* it was $r=0.37$ for the pair Dig1 and Gln3. Our modeling approach found Rtg3 but not Rgt1 for *EST2* and Dig1 but not Gln3 hinting at Rgt1 and Gln3 being potential further candidates regulating *EST2* and *EST3*, respectively.

We then analyzed the correlation between activity of the regulators and the expression of the putative target genes (*ESTs*). Again, we calculated the difference in correlation between short *t/m* mutants and controls. The results are given in Table S5, S6 and S7 for *EST1*, *EST2* and *EST3*, respectively. For *EST1* we found Hst1 and Sum1 with the highest correlation difference (Hst1-*Est1*: $r=0.51$, Sum1-*Est1*: $r=0.62$, Table S5) confirming our modelling results that these regulators are involved in *EST1* regulation. For *EST2*, we found Arg81, Nrg1, Tec1, Nrg2, Msn4 and Pdr3 with the highest correlation difference of which all were predicted by our model except of Nrg1. For *EST3*, Ume6 had the highest absolute correlation difference, in agreement to our modeling results. In summary, the results of the correlation analysis confirmed the modeling results, in particular for *EST1* and our most promising regulators of the modelling analysis, Hst1 and Sum1. We note that this analysis may serve the purpose of adding potential other candidates to the regulators that we selected from our modeling analysis.

(iii) Further, we simulated a knockout of a specific regulator if we found this regulator's activity to correlate highly with another regulator. As a case study, we investigated *EST1* as the target gene and the pair of Sum1 and Hst1 as regulators. Indeed, when Sum1 was knocked out, Hst1 took over Sum1's function explaining the gene expression of *EST1* and was used distinctively more often by the models when compared to the non knockout models ($P=5.49 \text{ E-}30$, Table S13). In turn, knocking out Hst1, Sum1 was used instead ($P=2.55 \text{ E-}40$, Table S14). This is consistent with the literature, it was reported that Sum1 and Hst1 together with Rfm1 form a complex repressing genes through histone deacetylation (1-4). Hence, we suggest that Sum1 and Hst1 act synergistically also for the expression of the telomerase gene *EST1*. To further confirm this computationally, we followed up on this complex and built models with the combination Sum1-Hst1 (we multiplied the activities and used the square root of the product as activity of the complex) instead of the single regulators Sum1 and Hst1. In this case the combination Sum1-Hst1 was used instead of the single regulators ($P=4.51 \text{ E-}32$, Table S15).

Text S3. Modeling a complex of Sum1 and Hst1

We further built models with only the regulators Sum1 and Hst1 as well as with a combination of both mimicking cooperative activity [as suggested by (5)]. We used the data of the short *t/m* mutants and estimated the performance using a ten-times sixfold cross-validation (as described in the main text, see section The machine learning approach). We investigated the new model starting with one parameter for the smallest possible model (only beta 0 and one of the three possibilities of Sum1, Hst and Sum1-Hst1). The results are shown in Table S16. For the smallest models, Hst1 was most often selected (43 out of 60). Restricted to two β -parameters (either two single regulators, or one single and

one Sum1-Hst1 combined) the optimizer chose the combination of Sum1-Hst1 together with Sum1 most often supporting the suggestion of a combined regulation of Sum1 and Hst1.

Table S16. Modeling results of the Sum1-Hst1 combined model

Regulator	One regulator model	Two regulator model	Three regulator model
Hst1	43*	28	60
Sum1	9	46	60
Hst1-Sum1	8	46	60

* Number of selections by the model out of 60 runs.

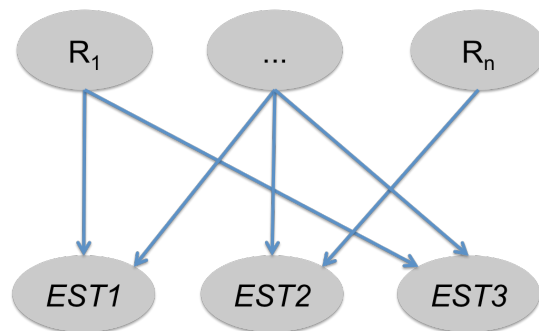


Figure S1. The regulatory model. The *EST* genes are regulated by regulators $R_1 - R_n$.

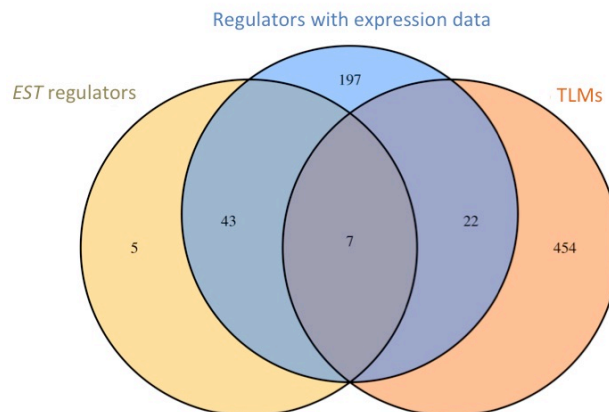


Figure S2. Overlaps between the TLM genelist (orange, data was taken from (6-10)), the yeast deletion strains of regulators of which we used the expression data (blue, data was taken from (11)), and regulators with know binding (taken from YEASTRACT) to at least one of the *EST* genes (*EST1*, *EST2*, *EST3*).

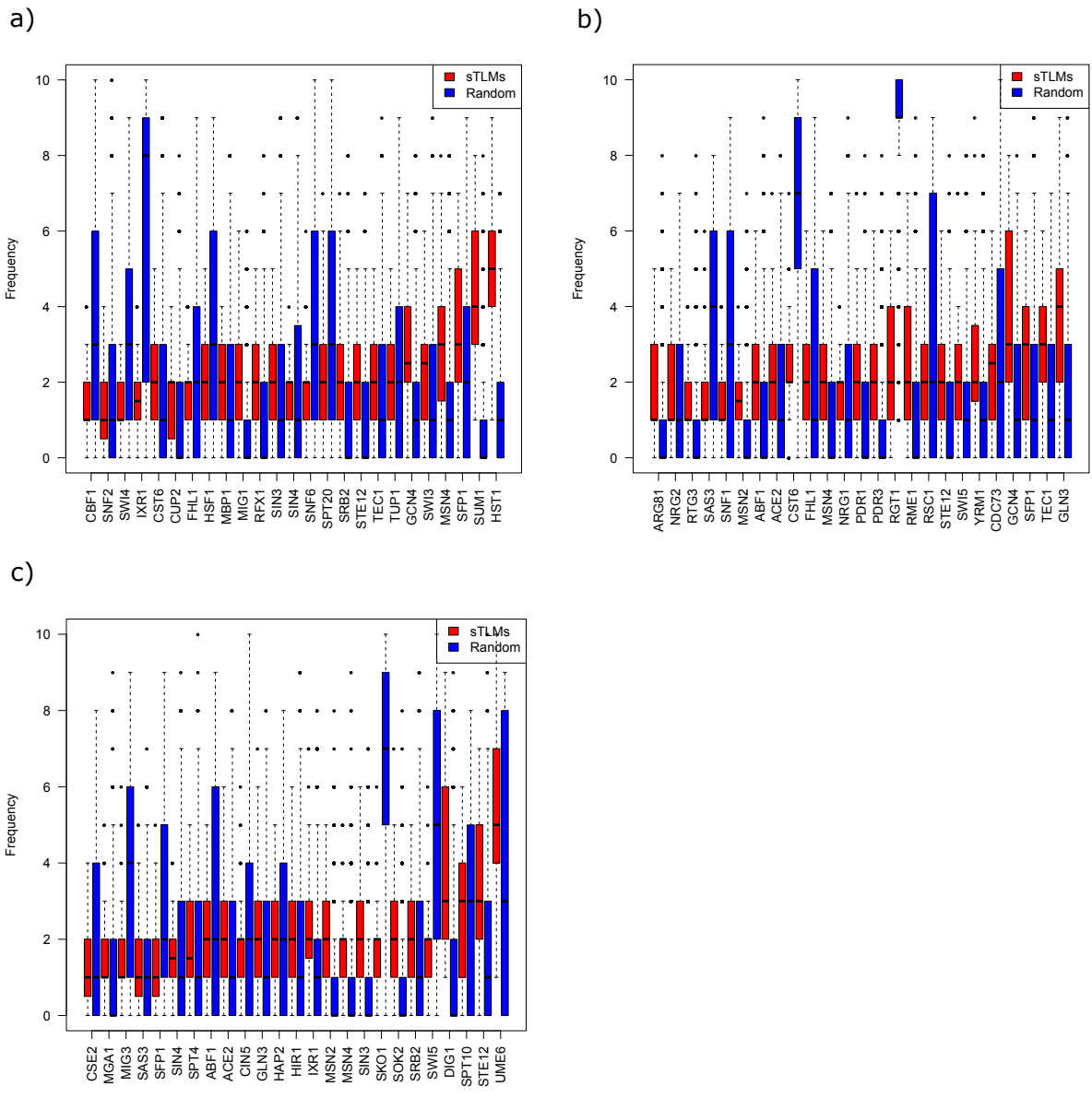


Figure S3. Regulator frequencies (of all 10 runs of each cross-validation) for the short *tlm* (red) and the control dataset (blue) over all cross-validation runs. a) *EST1*, b) *EST2*, c) *EST3*.

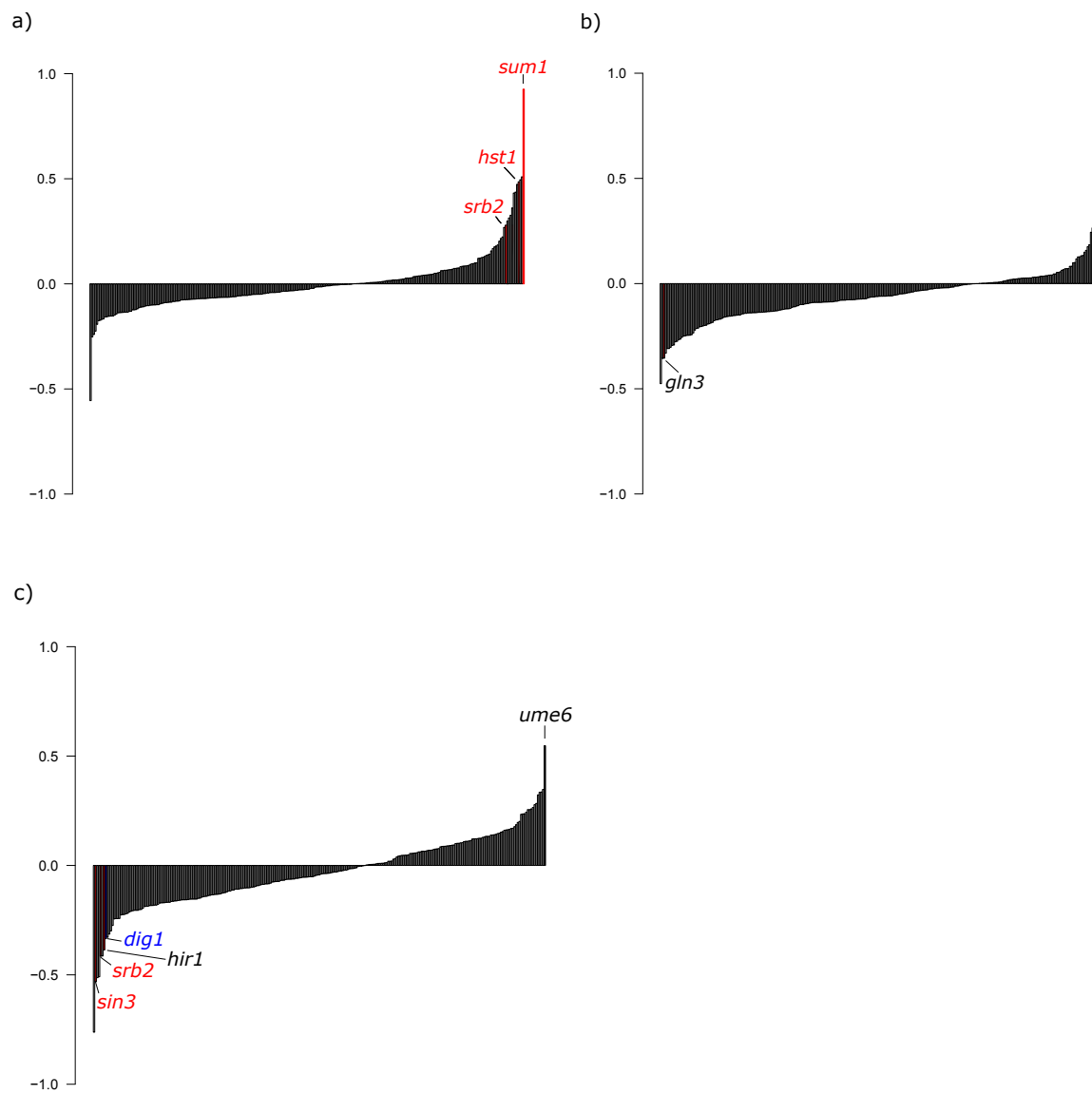


Figure S4. *EST1-3* expression (log-fold change) over all observed 269 regulator knockouts, ranked according to the expression levels of the corresponding *EST* gene; a) *EST1*, b) *EST2* and c) *EST3* (red: short *tlm*, blue: long *tlm* and black: control sample).

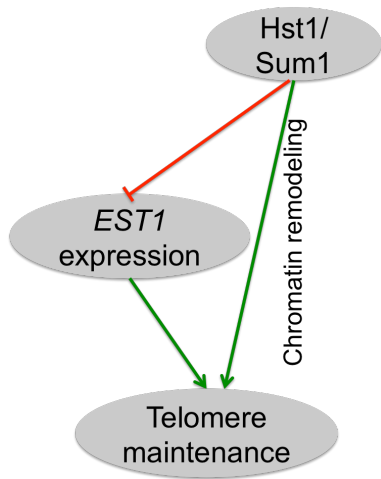


Figure S5. Incoherent feed forward loop, where Sum1/Hst1 and *EST1* positively regulate telomeres and Sum1/Hst1 negatively regulate *EST1*.

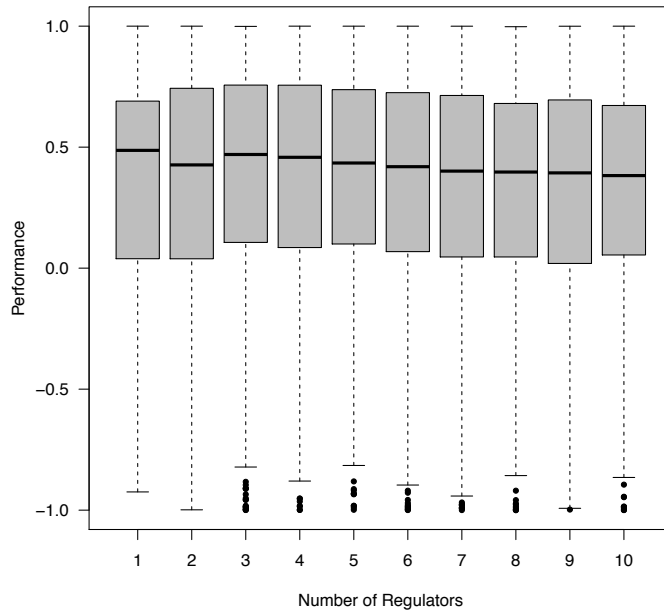


Figure S6. Pearson correlation of our modeling predictions with the measured expression values, shown for different sizes of the model, left: only one regulator, right, the maximal number of 10 regulators (shown for *EST1* regulators, short *tlm* mutants and control).

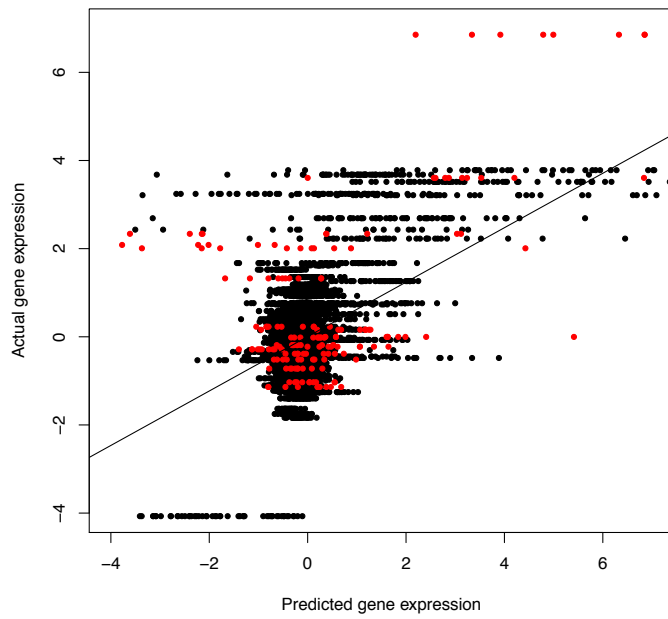


Figure S7. Actual vs. model predicted performance of *EST1* for the short *tlm* (red) and the control dataset over all cross-validation runs (cor (actual GE, predicted GE) = 0.51).

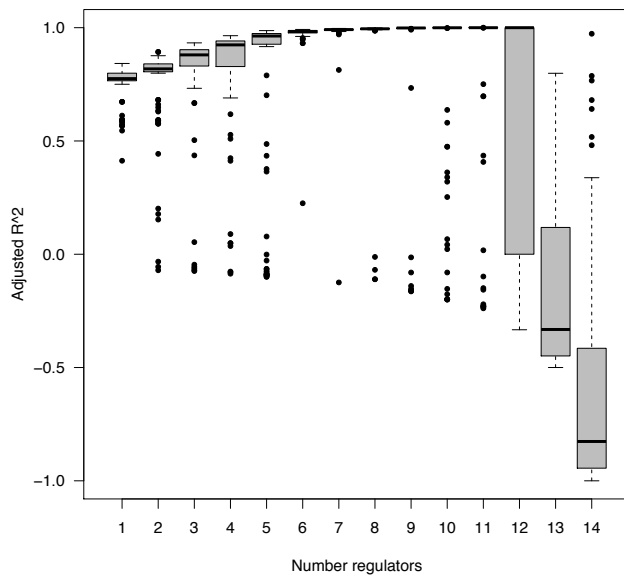


Figure S8. Adjusted R^2 calculation for all short *tlm* samples (similar to ANOVA)

Table S1. Corresponding genes of the investigated regulator (R) deletion strains of the dataset of Reimand and coworkers (11) and their telomere phenotype (6-10).

R	Group	R	Group	R	Group
<i>CDC73</i>	short	<i>ARG82</i>	control	<i>GCN4</i>	control
<i>CST6</i>	short	<i>ARO80</i>	control	<i>GCR1</i>	control
<i>GAL11</i>	short	<i>ARR1</i>	control	<i>GCR2</i>	control
<i>HFI1</i>	short	<i>ASH1</i>	control	<i>GLN3</i>	control
<i>HST1</i>	short	<i>ASK10</i>	control	<i>GTS1</i>	control
<i>MOT2</i>	short	<i>AZF1</i>	control	<i>GZF3</i>	control
<i>MOT3</i>	short	<i>BAS1</i>	control	<i>HAA1</i>	control
<i>OPI1</i>	short	<i>BDF2</i>	control	<i>HAC1</i>	control
<i>PGD1</i>	short	<i>CAC2</i>	control	<i>HAL9</i>	control
<i>RPN4</i>	short	<i>CAD1</i>	control	<i>HAP2</i>	control
<i>RSC2</i>	short	<i>CAF17</i>	control	<i>HAP3</i>	control
<i>RTF1</i>	short	<i>CAF4</i>	control	<i>HAP4</i>	control
<i>SIF2</i>	short	<i>CAT8</i>	control	<i>HAP5</i>	control
<i>SIN3</i>	short	<i>CBF1</i>	control	<i>HAT1</i>	control
<i>SIR3</i>	short	<i>CHA4</i>	control	<i>HAT2</i>	control
<i>SRB2</i>	short	<i>CIN5</i>	control	<i>HDA1</i>	control
<i>SRB5</i>	short	<i>CRZ1</i>	control	<i>HIR1</i>	control
<i>SUM1</i>	short	<i>CSE2</i>	control	<i>HIR2</i>	control
<i>DIG1</i>	long	<i>CUP2</i>	control	<i>HIR3</i>	control
<i>HCM1</i>	long	<i>CUP9</i>	control	<i>HMS1</i>	control
<i>MET18</i>	long	<i>DAL80</i>	control	<i>HMS2</i>	control
<i>NUT1</i>	long	<i>DAL81</i>	control	<i>HOG1</i>	control
<i>RAP1</i>	long	<i>DAL82</i>	control	<i>HPA2</i>	control
<i>REB1</i>	long	<i>DAT1</i>	control	<i>HSF1</i>	control
<i>RIF1</i>	long	<i>DOT5</i>	control	<i>HST3</i>	control
<i>RIF2</i>	long	<i>DOT6</i>	control	<i>HST4</i>	control
<i>SRB8</i>	long	<i>ECM22</i>	control	<i>IME1</i>	control
<i>SSN2</i>	long	<i>ESC2</i>	control	<i>INO2</i>	control
<i>SSN3</i>	long	<i>FKH1</i>	control	<i>INO4</i>	control
<i>ABF1</i>	control	<i>FKH2</i>	control	<i>ISW1</i>	control
<i>ACA1</i>	control	<i>FLO8</i>	control	<i>ISW2</i>	control
<i>ACE2</i>	control	<i>FZF1</i>	control	<i>IXR1</i>	control
<i>ADA2</i>	control	<i>GAL3</i>	control	<i>KAR4</i>	control
<i>ADR1</i>	control	<i>GAL4</i>	control	<i>KSS1</i>	control
<i>AFT2</i>	control	<i>GAL80</i>	control	<i>LEU3</i>	control
<i>ARG80</i>	control	<i>GAT1</i>	control	<i>MAC1</i>	control
<i>ARG81</i>	control	<i>GAT3</i>	control	<i>MAL13</i>	control

R	Group	R	Group	R	Group
<i>MAL33</i>	control	<i>RFX1</i>	control	<i>SNF6</i>	control
<i>MBF1</i>	control	<i>RGM1</i>	control	<i>SOK2</i>	control
<i>MBP1</i>	control	<i>RGT1</i>	control	<i>SPS18</i>	control
<i>MCM1</i>	control	<i>RIC1</i>	control	<i>SPT10</i>	control
<i>MDS3</i>	control	<i>RIM101</i>	control	<i>SPT2</i>	control
<i>MET28</i>	control	<i>RIS1</i>	control	<i>SPT20</i>	control
<i>MET31</i>	control	<i>RLF2</i>	control	<i>SPT23</i>	control
<i>MET32</i>	control	<i>RLM1</i>	control	<i>SPT3</i>	control
<i>MGA1</i>	control	<i>RLR1</i>	control	<i>SPT4</i>	control
<i>MGA2</i>	control	<i>RME1</i>	control	<i>STB1</i>	control
<i>MIG1</i>	control	<i>ROX1</i>	control	<i>STB2</i>	control
<i>MIG2</i>	control	<i>RPD3</i>	control	<i>STB3</i>	control
<i>MSI1</i>	control	<i>RPH1</i>	control	<i>STB4</i>	control
<i>MSN1</i>	control	<i>RPI1</i>	control	<i>STB5</i>	control
<i>MSN2</i>	control	<i>RSC1</i>	control	<i>STB6</i>	control
<i>MSN4</i>	control	<i>RTG1</i>	control	<i>STP1</i>	control
<i>MSS11</i>	control	<i>RTG3</i>	control	<i>STP2</i>	control
<i>MTH1</i>	control	<i>RTT107</i>	control	<i>STP4</i>	control
<i>NDT80</i>	control	<i>SAS3</i>	control	<i>SUT1</i>	control
<i>NGG1</i>	control	<i>SAS4</i>	control	<i>SUT2</i>	control
<i>NOT3</i>	control	<i>SAS5</i>	control	<i>SWI3</i>	control
<i>NRG1</i>	control	<i>SDS3</i>	control	<i>SWI4</i>	control
<i>OAF1</i>	control	<i>SEF1</i>	control	<i>SWI5</i>	control
<i>PDR1</i>	control	<i>SET2</i>	control	<i>SWI6</i>	control
<i>PDR3</i>	control	<i>SFL1</i>	control	<i>TAF14</i>	control
<i>PDR8</i>	control	<i>SFP1</i>	control	<i>TBS1</i>	control
<i>PHD1</i>	control	<i>SIN4</i>	control	<i>TEC1</i>	control
<i>PHO2</i>	control	<i>SIP3</i>	control	<i>THI2</i>	control
<i>PHO23</i>	control	<i>SIP4</i>	control	<i>TIS11</i>	control
<i>PHO4</i>	control	<i>SIR1</i>	control	<i>TOS8</i>	control
<i>PIB2</i>	control	<i>SIR2</i>	control	<i>TUP1</i>	control
<i>PIP2</i>	control	<i>SKN7</i>	control	<i>TYE7</i>	control
<i>POP2</i>	control	<i>SKO1</i>	control	<i>UGA3</i>	control
<i>PPR1</i>	control	<i>SMK1</i>	control	<i>UME1</i>	control
<i>PUT3</i>	control	<i>SMP1</i>	control	<i>UME6</i>	control
<i>RCS1</i>	control	<i>SNF1</i>	control	<i>UPC2</i>	control
<i>RDR1</i>	control	<i>SNF11</i>	control	<i>WAR1</i>	control
<i>RDS1</i>	control	<i>SNF2</i>	control	<i>WTM1</i>	control
<i>RDS2</i>	control	<i>SNF5</i>	control	<i>WTM2</i>	control

R	Group	R	Group	R	Group
<i>XBP1</i>	control	<i>YER051W</i>	control	<i>YKR064W</i>	control
<i>YAP1</i>	control	<i>YER130C</i>	control	<i>YLR278C</i>	control
<i>YAP3</i>	control	<i>YER184C</i>	control	<i>YML081W</i>	control
<i>YAP5</i>	control	<i>YFL044C</i>	control	<i>YMR075W</i>	control
<i>YAP6</i>	control	<i>YFL052W</i>	control	<i>YNR063W</i>	Control
<i>YAP7</i>	control	<i>YGL131C</i>	control	<i>YOX1</i>	Control
<i>YBL054W</i>	control	<i>YGR067C</i>	control	<i>YPL230W</i>	Control
<i>YBR033W</i>	control	<i>YGR089W</i>	control	<i>YPR022C</i>	Control
<i>YBR239C</i>	control	<i>YHP1</i>	control	<i>YPR196W</i>	Control
<i>YDR026C</i>	control	<i>YIL130W</i>	control	<i>YRR1</i>	control
<i>YDR049W</i>	control	<i>YJL103C</i>	control	<i>ZAP1</i>	control
<i>YDR266C</i>	control	<i>YJL206C</i>	control	<i>ZDS1</i>	control
<i>YDR520C</i>	control	<i>YKL005C</i>	control	<i>ZMS1</i>	control
<i>YER028C</i>	control	<i>YKL222C</i>	control		

Table S2. Putative regulators of the *EST* genes (taken from YEASTRACT).

Regulator	ESTs		
<i>Msn4</i>	<i>EST1, EST2, EST3</i>	<i>Hst1</i>	<i>EST1</i>
<i>Sfp1</i>	<i>EST1, EST2, EST3</i>	<i>Mbp1</i>	<i>EST1</i>
<i>Ste12</i>	<i>EST1, EST2, EST3</i>	<i>Mga1</i>	<i>EST3</i>
<i>Abf1</i>	<i>EST2, EST3</i>	<i>Mig1</i>	<i>EST1</i>
<i>Ace2</i>	<i>EST2, EST3</i>	<i>Mig3</i>	<i>EST3</i>
<i>Cst6</i>	<i>EST1, EST2</i>	<i>Nrg1</i>	<i>EST2</i>
<i>Fhl1</i>	<i>EST1, EST2</i>	<i>Nrg2</i>	<i>EST2</i>
<i>Gcn4</i>	<i>EST1, EST2</i>	<i>Pdr1</i>	<i>EST2</i>
<i>Gln3</i>	<i>EST2, EST3</i>	<i>Pdr3</i>	<i>EST2</i>
<i>Ixr1</i>	<i>EST1, EST3</i>	<i>Rfx1</i>	<i>EST1</i>
<i>Msn2</i>	<i>EST2, EST3</i>	<i>Rgt1</i>	<i>EST2</i>
<i>Sas3</i>	<i>EST2, EST3</i>	<i>Rme1</i>	<i>EST2</i>
<i>Sin3</i>	<i>EST1, EST3</i>	<i>Rsc1</i>	<i>EST2</i>
<i>Sin4</i>	<i>EST1, EST3</i>	<i>Rtg3</i>	<i>EST2</i>
<i>Srb2</i>	<i>EST1, EST3</i>	<i>Sko1</i>	<i>EST3</i>
<i>Swi5</i>	<i>EST2, EST3</i>	<i>Snf1</i>	<i>EST2</i>
<i>Tec1</i>	<i>EST1, EST2</i>	<i>Snf2</i>	<i>EST1</i>
<i>Arg81</i>	<i>EST2</i>	<i>Snf6</i>	<i>EST1</i>
<i>Cbf1</i>	<i>EST1</i>	<i>Sok2</i>	<i>EST3</i>
<i>Cdc73</i>	<i>EST2</i>	<i>Spt10</i>	<i>EST3</i>
<i>Cin5</i>	<i>EST3</i>	<i>Spt20</i>	<i>EST1</i>
<i>Cse2</i>	<i>EST3</i>	<i>Spt4</i>	<i>EST3</i>
<i>Cup2</i>	<i>EST1</i>	<i>Sum1</i>	<i>EST1</i>
<i>Dig1</i>	<i>EST3</i>	<i>Swi3</i>	<i>EST1</i>
<i>Hap2</i>	<i>EST3</i>	<i>Swi4</i>	<i>EST1</i>
<i>Hir1</i>	<i>EST3</i>	<i>Tup1</i>	<i>EST1</i>
<i>Hsf1</i>	<i>EST1</i>	<i>Ume6</i>	<i>EST3</i>
		<i>Yrm1</i>	<i>EST2</i>

Table S3. Significant regulators of *EST* genes comparing *tlms* (short + long) vs. control samples

	Regulator	Z-score*	Significance (P)**	Number of targets
EST1	Sum1 ^{***}	6.85	3.76 E-30	579
	Hst1 ^{***}	3.61	2.51 E-28	219
	Rfx1	-0.45	5.71 E-22	660
	Mig1	0.14	1.56 E-17	423
	Srb2 ^{***}	2.08	5.23 E-10	785
	Sfp1	3.24	6.56 E-9	4199
	Ste12	-****	8.89 E-6	3673
	Cup2	-0.30	2.09 E-2	548
	EST2	Nrg2	-	6.11 E-23
Pdr1		0.31	1.28 E-17	1318
Gcn4		-0.22	1.77 E-16	2712
Rtg3		0.16	5.33 E-9	646
Cdc73 ^{***}		-3.79	2.23 E-8	757
Yrm1		-	6.11 E-6	2509
Tec1		-0.22	1.05 E-5	3669
Msn2		0.05	2.83 E-5	3260
Arg81		0.42	9.24 E-5	335
Ste12		-	1.12 E-2	3673
Sfp1		-0.06	1.43 E-2	4199
Gln3		-2.67	1.57 E-2	981
Ace2		-1.70	1.63 E-2	4683
Rme1		-0.31	3.22 E-2	399
Abf1		-0.29	4.38 E-2	2715
Pdr3		-0.44	4.38 E-2	929
Nrg1		0.07	4.48 E-2	686
Msn4		-1.17	4.83 E-2	2483
EST3		Dig1 ^{***}	-1.87	1.15 E-36
	Sok2	0.28	4.39 E-23	2160
	Cin5	1.81	1.03 E-21	2062
	Sin3 ^{***}	-3.11	1.41 E-20	1759
	Ste12	-	9.37 E-14	3673
	Sin4	2.31	1.58 E-10	2144
	Msn2	-0.46	2.72 E-6	3260
	Spt10	-2.37	1.46 E-5	1691
	Msn4	0.62	3.19 E-4	2483
Srb2 ^{***}	-2.38	9.73 E-4	785	
Gln3	-1.50	4.05 E-2	978	

* Effect of the knockout of the regulator on the expression of the *EST* genes (positive z-score = upregulation of the corresponding *EST* gene; negative z-score = downregulation of the corresponding

EST gene); ** Multiple testing corrected (Benjamini-Hochberg); *** red: short *tlm* mutant, blue: long *tlm* mutant; **** For some genes, no expression data was available

Table S4 is in a separate file of the Supplementary Material and includes the correlation between all regulator activities.

Table S5. Correlations between *EST1* expression and the corresponding regulator activities in the short *tlm* dataset and the control dataset (non-*TLM* dataset)

Regulator	Correlation sTLMs	Correlation controls	Correlation difference
Sum1	0.54	-0.08	0.62
Hst1	0.87	0.35	0.52
Rfx1	-0.11	0.16	-0.27
Snf2	-0.10	-0.37	0.27
Snf6	-0.11	-0.34	0.23
Ixr1	0.26	0.05	0.21
Tup1	-0.13	-0.34	0.21
Spt20	-0.20	-0.41	0.21
Msn4	0.20	0	0.20
Miq1	0.03	0.22	-0.19
Srb2	0.02	-0.17	0.19
Swi3	-0.16	-0.35	0.19
Tec1	0.34	0.17	0.17
Cst6	-0.16	-0.33	0.17
Ste12	0.18	0.02	0.16
Sin4	-0.22	-0.37	0.15
Cup2	-0.01	0.09	-0.10
Hsf1	-0.24	-0.33	0.09
Sfp1	-0.15	-0.07	-0.08
Fhl1	-0.38	-0.32	-0.06
Mbp1	0.07	0.12	-0.05
Cbf1	-0.18	-0.14	-0.04
Swi4	-0.04	-0.06	0.02
Gcn4	-0.09	-0.11	0.02
Sin3	-0.27	-0.29	0.02

Table S6. Correlations between *EST2* expression and the corresponding regulator activities in the short *tlm* dataset and the control dataset (non-*TLM* dataset)

Regulator	Correlation sTLMs	Correlation controls	Correlation difference
Arg81	0.41	-0.19	0.60
Nrg1	0.63	0.16	0.47
Tec1	0.60	0.14	0.46
Nrg2	0.73	0.28	0.45
Msn4	0.49	0.04	0.45
Pdr3	0.52	0.09	0.43
Rqt1	-0.40	-0.01	-0.39
Ste12	0.43	0.06	0.37

Gln3	-0.50	-0.18	-0.32
Sas3	-0.61	-0.31	-0.3
Msn2	0.23	-0.03	0.26
Rme1	0.36	0.11	0.25
Cst6	-0.51	-0.27	-0.24
Pdr1	0.17	-0.05	0.22
Swi5	-0.37	-0.16	-0.21
Abf1	-0.27	-0.13	-0.14
Rtg3	-0.48	-0.36	-0.12
Fhl1	-0.25	-0.16	-0.09
Snf1	0.13	0.04	0.09
Ace2	0.00	-0.09	0.09
Yrm1	-0.17	-0.09	-0.08
Rsc1	0.14	0.07	0.07
Cdc73	0.08	0.14	-0.06
Gcn4	-0.01	-0.07	0.06
Sfp1	-0.17	-0.16	-0.01

Table S7. Correlations between *EST3* expression and the corresponding regulator activities in the short *tlm* dataset and the control dataset (non-*TLM* dataset)

Regulator	Correlation sTLMs	Correlation controls	Correlation difference
Ume6	-0.25	0.19	-0.44
Sin3	-0.02	0.41	-0.43
Hap2	0.02	0.43	-0.41
Sfp1	0.02	0.42	-0.40
Spt4	0.03	0.41	-0.38
Sas3	-0.19	0.19	-0.38
Sin4	-0.10	0.21	-0.31
Ixr1	-0.15	0.16	-0.31
Srb2	-0.19	0.11	-0.30
Ace2	0.08	0.37	-0.29
Spt10	0.20	0.45	-0.25
Msn2	0.10	0.31	-0.21
Abf1	0.15	0.35	-0.20
Gln3	0.25	0.38	-0.13
Sok2	-0.02	0.11	-0.13
Ste12	0.14	0.26	-0.12
Msn4	0.21	0.30	-0.09
Miq3	0.14	0.22	-0.08
Mga1	0.48	0.41	0.07
Dig1	0.62	0.68	-0.06
Cin5	0.40	0.46	-0.06
Cse2	0.14	0.20	-0.06
Hir1	0.50	0.55	-0.05
Sko1	0.40	0.35	0.05
Swi5	0.26	0.24	0.02

Table S8: Positive correlation differences (diff ≥ 0.1) of regulator activities between the short *tIm* and the control dataset; the correlation differences between significant hits of the corresponding *EST* gene are marked in bold.

	Regulator 1	Regulator 2	Correlation Difference	Correlation sTLMs	Correlation Controls
EST1	Hst1	Sum1	0.17	0.77	0.60
	Sfp1	Srb2	0.16	0.85	0.69
	Mig1	Tec1	0.14	0.74	0.60
	Mbp1	Mig1	0.13	0.86	0.73
	Srb2	Swi3	0.12	0.91	0.79
	Srb2	Snf6	0.12	0.95	0.83
	Srb2	Cst6	0.10	0.94	0.84
	EST2	Rtg3	Rgt1	0.45	0.58
Cdc73		Rtg3	0.34	0.30	-0.04
Arg81		Rme1	0.26	0.54	0.28
Nrg2		Tec1	0.27	0.77	0.50
Rtg3		Gln3	0.26	0.70	0.44
Nrg2		Pdr3	0.21	0.78	0.57
Msn4		Nrg2	0.20	0.68	0.48
Cdc73		Rsc1	0.18	0.96	0.78
Arg81		Ste12	0.18	0.72	0.54
Cdc73		Sfp1	0.17	0.70	0.53
Abf1		Rgt1	0.16	0.82	0.66
Cdc73		Sas3	0.17	0.51	0.34
Nrg2		Ste12	0.16	0.59	0.43
Arg81		Cdc73	0.15	0.06	-0.09
Arg81		Msn4	0.15	0.67	0.52
Arg81		Nrg2	0.15	0.36	0.21
Arg81		Pdr3	0.14	0.54	0.40
Rtg3		Sas3	0.12	0.57	0.45
Arg81		Tec1	0.11	0.59	0.48
EST3		Dig1	Gln3	0.36	0.73
	Srb2	Hir1	0.34	0.58	0.24
	Dig1	Srb2	0.32	0.44	0.12
	Dig1	Sin4	0.24	0.59	0.35
	Dig1	Swi5	0.24	0.47	0.23
	Srb2	Hap2	0.24	0.82	0.58
	Srb2	Spt4	0.23	0.83	0.60
	Srb2	Sas3	0.19	0.86	0.67
	Dig1	Abf1	0.15	0.45	0.30
	Srb2	Sfp1	0.16	0.85	0.69

	Srb2	Spt10	0.15	0.81	0.66
	Dig1	Sas3	0.11	0.55	0.44
	Sin3	Sas3	0.12	0.85	0.73
	Dig1	Sin3	0.11	0.66	0.55
	Sin3	Hir1	0.10	0.67	0.57

Table S9. Median beta values of short *tIm* and control models, and Pearson correlation between regulator activities and *EST1* expression

Regulator	Correlation sTLMs	Median betas sTLM models	Correlation controls	Median betas control models
Sum1*	0.54	4.24	-0.08	1.63
Hst1*	0.87	2.08	0.35	-1.44
Msn4	0.20	38.05	0	-0.73
Mig1	0.03	5.96	0.22	-0.99
Gcn4	-0.09	-34.39	-0.11	5.64
Ste12	0.18	22.67	0.02	-0.86
Rfx1	-0.11	-5.75	0.16	0.46
Srb2*	0.02	0.99	-0.17	-1.05
Sfp1	-0.15	-47.78	-0.07	-4.66
Cup2	-0.01	4.08	0.09	-0.90
Swi3	-0.16	24.82	-0.35	1.79
Mbp1	0.07	1.41	0.12	-1.98

*red: short *tIm* mutant, blue: long *tIm* mutant

Table S10. Frequency of the regulators in the models for the short *tIm* models, from 1 (left) to 10 regulators (right)

Regulator	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Cbf1	0	0	0	7	7	9	13	11	15	18
Cst6	1	0	0	7	12	14	14	17	18	30
Cup2	0	0	0	2	10	15	11	16	16	19
Fhl1	0	1	7	6	8	8	10	20	16	30
Gcn4	0	8	25	21	16	16	23	17	28	21
Hsf1	0	0	3	9	8	10	15	17	19	25
Hst1	58	11	29	38	27	28	28	31	24	32
Ixr1	0	0	7	5	1	7	15	17	23	25
Mbp1	0	1	5	5	9	13	18	22	25	19
Mig1	0	0	4	4	14	17	14	19	25	24

Msn4	0	2	26	25	22	19	21	18	24	27
Rfx1	0	12	1	3	3	10	14	19	22	29
Sfp1	0	3	3	18	35	31	27	33	30	26
Sin3	0	0	8	3	7	12	12	17	24	24
Sin4	0	0	1	4	2	8	12	19	27	24
Snf2	0	0	3	2	6	9	15	14	15	17
Snf6	0	0	0	6	5	12	17	19	27	21
Spt20	0	13	3	7	13	10	16	17	23	26
Srb2	0	23	13	14	6	13	18	14	17	18
Ste12	0	0	1	6	16	19	17	23	23	25
Sum1	1	45	24	18	29	30	32	29	35	20
Swi3	0	1	2	6	19	20	21	22	16	31
Swi4	0	0	0	6	3	3	7	16	20	22
Tec1	0	0	4	8	15	11	12	17	20	27
Tup1	0	0	11	10	7	16	18	16	18	20

Table S11. Frequency of the regulators in the models for the controls, from 1 (left) to 10 regulators (right)

Regulator	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Cbf1	28	19	217	216	236	251	266	284	304	305
Cst6	0	52	58	73	111	129	172	197	243	263
Cup2	21	0	10	15	29	63	102	126	153	194
Fhl1	1	18	18	47	104	145	177	219	261	296
Gcn4	0	2	26	36	72	88	137	148	180	210
Hsf1	26	41	94	174	215	253	278	302	326	328
Hst1	2	9	4	20	36	63	98	129	157	227
Ixr1	1	339	345	358	375	388	414	413	416	417
Mbp1	0	2	35	58	62	107	143	169	206	237
Mig1	3	0	2	14	29	48	67	88	115	128
Msn4	0	3	36	47	80	81	91	129	151	186
Rfx1	0	1	29	25	46	64	84	102	132	171
Sfp1	0	62	130	121	156	190	196	229	251	274
Sin3	1	62	34	73	107	145	148	177	202	235
Sin4	13	21	23	89	126	151	156	178	215	240
Snf2	117	53	82	98	96	114	142	164	191	228

Snf6	87	256	269	255	231	220	214	224	228	244
Spt20	75	116	101	151	201	237	275	295	302	313
Srb2	1	27	5	28	46	63	91	124	146	177
Ste12	0	2	9	32	48	63	98	128	157	169
Sum1	1	3	5	23	34	52	74	100	135	172
Swi3	190	38	51	60	86	103	125	142	159	181
Swi4	5	3	96	166	194	233	274	299	314	328
Tec1	3	1	36	88	116	160	187	206	223	247
Tup1	25	70	85	133	164	189	191	228	233	230

Table S12. Frequency of the regulators Sum1 and Hst1 individually or combined (Hst & Sum1) in the short *tlm* models, from 1 (left) to 10 regulators (right)

Regulator	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Hst1	58	11	29	35	27	22	22	23	17	25
Sum1	1	45	24	15	29	24	26	21	28	13
Hst1 & Sum1	0	0	0	3	0	6	6	8	7	7

Table S13. Significant regulators of *EST1* after a simulated *SUM1* knockout

	Regulator	Z-score*	Significance (P)**	Number of targets
EST1	Hst1 ^{***}	3.61	5.49 E-30	219
	Msn4	-0.63	9.49 E-20	2483
	Gcn4	-0.13	1.39 E-17	2712
	Rfx1	-0.45	3.44 E-14	660
	Mig1	0.14	4.91 E-10	423
	Srb2 ^{***}	2.08	9.65 E-10	785
	Sfp1	3.24	7.58 E-7	4186
	Mbp1	0.76	7.71 E-7	662
	Sin3 ^{***}	2.01	4.43 E-5	1759
	Ste12	-	2.50 E-3	3640
	Tec1	1.52	1.93 E-2	3653
	Cup2	-0.30	2.10 E-2	548

* Effect of the knockout of the regulator on the expression of the *EST* genes (positive z-score = upregulation of the corresponding *EST* gene; negative z-score = downregulation of the corresponding *EST* gene); ** Multiple testing corrected (Benjamini-Hochberg); *** red: short *tlm* mutant, blue: long *tlm* mutant

Table S14. Significant regulators of *EST1* after a simulated *HST1* knockout

	Regulator	Z-score*	Significance (P)**	Number of targets
<i>EST1</i>	Sum1 ^{***}	6.85	2.59 E-40	579
	Rfx1	-0.45	1.22 E-15	660
	Gcn4	-0.13	3.40 E-12	2712
	Srb2 ^{***}	2.08	1.02 E-9	785
	Msn4	-0.63	2.71 E-8	2483
	Sin3 ^{***}	2.01	2.13 E-7	1759
	Mig1	0.14	5.35 E-7	423
	Mbp1	0.76	5.74 E-6	665
	Sfp1	3.24	7.06 E-6	4199
	Ste12	-	6.43 E-5	3673

* Effect of the knockout of the regulator on the expression of the *EST* genes (positive z-score = upregulation of the corresponding *EST* gene; negative z-score = downregulation of the corresponding *EST* gene); ** Multiple testing corrected (Benjamini-Hochberg); *** red: short *tlm* mutant, blue: long *tlm* mutant

Table S15. Significant regulators of *EST1* using the regulator complex Sum1-Hst1 instead of the single regulators Sum1 and Hst1

	Regulator	Z-score*	Significance (P)**	Number of targets
<i>EST1</i>	Sum1-Hst1 ^{***}		4.51 E-32	
	Msn4	-0.63	1.72 E-15	2483
	Mig1	0.14	4.66 E-8	423
	Rfx1	-0.45	1.17 E-7	660
	Gcn4	-0.13	2.68 E-5	2712
	Srb2 ^{***}	2.08	1.33 E-3	785
	Mbp1	0.76	4.97 E-3	665
	Sin3 ^{***}	2.01	6-33 E-3	1759
	Fhl1	-	2.53 E-2	1164
	Cst6	2.34	2.61 E-2	2601
	Tec1	1.52	2.65 E-2	3653
	Cup2	-0.30	2.98 E-2	548

* Effect of the knockout of the regulator on the expression of the *EST* genes (positive z-score = upregulation of the corresponding *EST* gene; negative z-score = downregulation of the corresponding *EST* gene); ** Multiple testing corrected (Benjamini-Hochberg); *** red: short *tlm* mutant, blue: long *tlm* mutant

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