



Supplementary Figure 1. Hsf1 displays differential binding to constitutive targets vs heat induced targets. (a) Binding sites of Hsf1, determined by ChIP-seq, were mapped to determine their distance from the start codon of the closest genes. Number of promoters for each distance are represented in this histogram. (b) Bar graph representing the number of Hsf1 targets with the indicated expression changes, as measured by RNA-seq (expressed as Log₂ [Fold Change] upon heat shock). (c) Box-plot depicting transcription (measured through polymerase II occupancy) of genes with constitutive (left) vs heat induced (right) Hsf1 binding at their promoters in the absence (blue) and presence (red) of a 15 minute 30°C-42°C heat shock. (d) Relative Hsf1 ChIP-seq signal of constitutively bound genes (left) versus heat induced genes (right), in the absence (blue) and presence (red) of heat shock.



Supplementary Figure 2. Hsf1 is required for target gene expression in response to heat shock. *C. albicans* wild-type (WT) and *tetO-HSF1/hsf1* Δ cells were grown with 20 µg/ml doxycycline to exponential phase at 30°C or subjected to a 15 minute 30°C-42°C heat shock (HS), and transcript levels of target genes were measured and normalised to the *ACT1* loading control. Unnormalised levels of *ACT1* are also displayed to illustrate that not all transcripts change in response to *HSF1* depletion. Data represent mean values +/- SD from two independent biological replicates. Student t-test, *p<0.05 compared to wild-type (WT).



Supplementary Figure 3. Hsf1 binds to multiple related recognition motifs. (a) A schematic illustrating the enrichment of three related motifs (TTCnnGAAnnTTC, GAAnnTTC, TTCnnnnnnTTC) around the summit of Hsf1-TAP ChIP-seq peaks. Peak lists are separated according to the presence (left) and absence (right) of a previously identified canonical Hsf1 recognition motif (e.g. GAAnnTTC) within 200 bp of the summit. (b) Histogram depicting the number of Hsf1-bound (blue) vs non-Hsf1-bound promoters (red) for each of the motifs identified in our ChIP-seq analysis. (c) Histogram showing the total number of Hsf1 motifs identified in Hsf1-bound (blue, top) and non-Hsf1-bound promoters (red, bottom).



Supplementary Figure 4. Nucleosome density at Hsf1 binding sites and Hsf1-regulated promoters. Line graphs depicting nucleosome levels (a) at Hsf1 binding sites in the presence (heat shock, left) or absence (untreated, right) of a 15 minute 30°C-42°C heat shock, containing the TTCnnGAAnnTTC (blue), GAAnnTTC (red) or TTCnnnnnnTTC (green) Hsf1 recognition motif and (b) at 1kb promoter region of Hsf1 regulated genes, under untreated (blue) and heat shock (red) conditions.



Supplementary Figure 5. Hsf1 targets are induced upon physiologically relevant upshifts but not all targets are required for thermal adaptation. (a) Virulence genes are not required for heat shock survival. Impact of heat shock in deletion mutants of Hsf1 targets and their respective wild-type was determined by measurement of CFUs after a 60 minute 30° C-42°C heat shock. % CFUs determined relative to untreated cells. Data represent mean values +/- SEM from three independent biological replicates. Students paired, two-tailed ttest, p<0.05. (b) Increased adhesion of *C. albicans* wild-type cells post-heat shock. Wild-type (SN95) cells were grown at 37°C or subjected to a 15 minute 37°C to 42°C heat shock (HS), and 100 cells were added to TR146 monolayers and incubated at 37°C for 90 minutes. After washing, molten Sabouraud's dextrose agar was added and plates were incubated at 30°C for 24 hours. Results expressed as percentage of adhered cells. Data represent mean values +/-SEM. Student t-test, *P<0.05 compared to wild type. (c) *C. albicans* wild-type cells were grown at 37°C or subjected to a 15 minute 37°C-42°C heat shock, and transcript levels of target genes were measured and normalised to the *ACT1* loading control. Student t-test, *p<0.05 compared to wild type.



Supplementary Figure 6. Global transcriptional response to heat shock. (a) Gene expression pattern of wild-type (SN95) cells 10, 30 and 60 minutes post 30°C-42°C heat shock compared to untreated cells. Genes identified by our analysis were clustered based on their expression patterns. Yellow represents greater than Log₂-fold increase in gene expression, blue represents a Log₂-fold or greater decrease in gene expression. Columns represent individual time points. (b) Venn diagram depicting number of upregulated genes 10, 30 and 60 minutes post 30°C-42°C heat shock (HS) in wild-type cells. Overlap between samples is illustrated, with the total number of genes upregulated at each time point represented under each time point. (c) GO term enrichment of genes more than 2-fold upregulated 10 minutes post 30°C-42°C heat shock in wild-type cells.



Supplementary Figure 7. HSP90 depletion delays the Hsf1-mediated heat shock response by increasing nucleosomes at nucleosome free regions of Hsf1- and Hsp90dependent promoters. (a) Scatter plots illustrating the effect of HSP90 depletion on transcription of Hsf1 target genes before (untreated) and after heat shock. PolII levels on Hsf1-target genes in the absence of HSP90 were compared to those in the wild type, and the differences are expressed as log₂ fold-change. (b) Boxplot illustrating expression changes of Hsf1 target genes during heat shock upon depletion of HSP90 as compared to the wild type (WT) over the indicated time. (c) Histogram depicting the number of Hsf1 target promoters with increased or decreased histone H3 levels upon HSP90 depletion, compared to the wild type, at their respective nucleosome free regions in both untreated (-) and heat shock (+) conditions. (d) Boxplot depicting the changes in histone H3 levels at the nucleosome free region of Hsf1 target promoters upon HSP90 depletion, compared to the wild type as in (c) (labelled as hsp90) and between two biological replicates (labelled as Control). The comparisons between biological replicates are to eliminate the possibility that the histone H3 increases are due to a technical artefact instead of a real effect caused by HSP90 depletion. Two-sample Kolmogorov-Smirnov test was performed between untreated (-) and heat shocked (+) biological replicates. (e) Scatter plot illustrating the correlation between HSP90 depletion during heat shock for Hsf1 target genes as compared to wild-type (as shown in Figure 5d) and histone H3 levels at nucleosome free regions of the corresponding genes upon HSP90 depletion under untreated (blue dots) and heat shock (red dots) conditions. (f) Line graphs depicting nucleosome levels between 1kb upstream and downstream of ATG of Hsf1regulated, Hsp90-dependent, Hsp90-repressed and tRNA genes in wild-type (WT) cells (blue) and *HSP90* depleted (*tetO-HSP90/hsp90* Δ) cells (red).

Supplementary Table 1. HSP90 depletion drastically changes the global response to
heat shock.

Wild-type 10 minutes post-heat shock				
GO ID	GO term	P-value		
6457	Protein folding	1.79E-0.6		
42026 Protein refolding		0.00028		
tetO-HSP2	90/hsp90 10 minutes post-heat shock			
GO ID	GO term	P-value		
42026	Protein refolding	1.11E-0.5		
6457	Protein folding	0.00016		
6458	'de novo' protein folding 0.0			
Wild-type	e 30 minutes post-heat shock			
GO ID	GO term	P-value		
6457	Protein folding	2.90E-0.7		
42026	Protein refolding	0.02073		
tetO-HSP2	90/hsp90 30 minutes post-heat shock			
GO ID	GO term	P-value		
7017	Microtubule-based process	0.00103		
6457	Protein folding	0.00124		
226	Microtubule cytoskeleton organization	0.00338		
35966	Response to topologically incorrect protein	0.00919		
42026	Protein refolding	0.00932		
280	Nuclear division	0.06093		
22402	Cell cycle process	0.06967		
45132	Meiotic chromosome segregation	0.07071		
7049	Cell cycle	0.09843		
Wild-type	e 60 minutes post-heat shock			
GO ID	GO term	P-value		
51087	Chaperone binding	0.02725		
51082	Unfolded protein binding	0.5949		
tetO-HSP2	90/hsp90 60 minutes post-heat shock			
GO ID	GO term	P-value		
280	Nuclear division	0.0043		
48285	Organelle fission	0.01157		
35966	Response to topologically incorrect protein	0.01495		
7059	Chromosome segregation	0.02249		
45132	Meiotic chromosome segregation	0.02406		
7049	Cell cycle	0.03724		
30433	ER-associated ubiquitin-dependent protein catabolic process	0.04685		
36503	ERAD pathway	0.04685		
7017	Microtubule-based process	0.04937		
7067	Mitotic nuclear division	0.05163		
22402	Cell cycle process	0.07953		
226	Microtubule cytoskeleton organization	0.09115		

Genes upregulated more than 2-fold in wild-type and *tetO-HSP90/hsp90* Δ cells were categorised for process enrichment over the 10, 30 and 60 minute 30°C-42°C HS.

Supplementary Table 2. *HSP90* depletion induces a heat shock response in the absence of any stress.

GO ID	GO term	P-value
43335	Protein unfolding	0.00163
6979	Response to oxidative stress	0.00233
10286	Heat acclimation	0.00327
70370	Cellular heat acclimation	0.00327
70413	Trehalose metabolism in response to heat stress	0.00327
6081	Cellular aldehyde metabolic process	0.00357
34605	Cellular response to heat	0.00677
46185	Aldehyde catabolic process	0.00814
9408	Response to heat	0.01407
9266	Response to temperature stimulus	0.02277
34599	Cellular response to oxidative stress	0.02427
42026	Protein refolding	0.02961

Genes upregulated more than 1.5-fold in the *tetO-HSP90/hsp90* Δ strain in the absence of any stress were categorised for process enrichment.

Strain	Genotype	Source
SN95	$arg4\Delta/arg4\Delta$ his1 Δ /his1 Δ URA3/ura3:: λ imm434 IRO1/iro1:: λ imm434	1
CaLC2993	arg4/arg4 his1/his1 URA3/ura3::imm434 IRO1/iro1::imm434, HSF1/HSF1-TAP-ARG4	2
CaLC2928	arg4/arg4 his1/his1 URA3/ura3::imm434 IRO1/iro1::imm434 TAR-tetO-HSF1::FRT/hsf1 This study	
CaLC1411	arg4Δ/arg4Δ his1Δ/his1Δ URA3/ura3::λimm434 IRO1/iro1::λimm434 HIS1/his1::tetR-FRT FRT- tetO-HSP90/hsp90::CdHIS1	3
SN152	arg4/arg4 leu2/leu2 his1/his1 URA3/ura3::immIRO1/iro1::imm434	1
$rob1\Delta/\Delta$	arg4/arg4, leu2/leu2::LEU2(Ca), his1/his1 ::HIS1(Ca), URA3/ura3, IRO1/iro1, rob1/rob1	4
BWP17	ura3::\\imm434/ura3::\\imm434, his1::hisG/his1::hisG, arg4::hisG/arg4::hisG	5
$als 3\Delta/\Delta$	ura3/ura3::imm434 URA3:: IRO1 als3::ARG4 als3::HIS1 arg4::hisG his1::hisG	6

Number	Gene	Sequence
oLC2285	CaACT1+855-F	GACCTTGAGATACCCAATTG
oLC2286	CaACT1+1076-R	CAGCTTGAATGGAAACGTAG
oLC2451	CaHsf1+721-F	CCATCAGATGGTATTTCTTCC
oLC2452	CaHsf1+931-R	GGTGAAACACTTGGAAAGTC
oLC756	CaHSP90+1051-F	GCTGAAGAGTTGATTCCAGAAT
oLC757	CaHSP90+1236-R	GGAGAAAGCAGTGTAGAATTGG
oLC1620	CaHSP104+1402-F	CGAGCTAGTCATGAACAATTG
oLC1621	CaHSP104+1660-R	GGATACCAGTCAATCTAGCA
oLC3217	CaHSP21+90-F	CCAAGAAAAATTGCTCAAGG
oLC3218	CaHSP21+325-R	CTTCATCAGGACTCAAATTC
oLC3685	CaALS3 +984 F	GCTACTACCAGAACAGTTAC
oLC3686	CaALS3 +1258 R	GATTAGTATGTGTGTTGTGGTG
oLC3687	CaALS1 +904 F	GTCTGCAAAGTAAACCTTTC
oLC3688	CaALS1 +1196 R	GTATGATATGGCACATCAAC
oLC2637	CaROB1 +1346F	TGCTGCTTTGATAGCTTCTGG
oLC2638	CaROB1 +1567R	GGAGGGCAATTCCAGATAATTC

Supplementary Table 4. Primers for qRT-PCR

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