

Fig. S1. The expression levels of *AFR1*, *AFR2*, *MDR1* and *ERG11* in the FLC resistance mutants (A-D) and mutants with increased frequency of FLC heteroresistance (E-H). The exponential growth phase cells of transcription factor mutant strains were either untreated (NT) or treated (FLC) with 32g/ml FLC for 2h. RNA was isolated and the expression levels of each gene were determined by RT-qPCR. The expression levels of each gene were normalized with that of actin gene and compared to the wild type without FLC treatment. Values represent the means \pm standard deviation of three biological replicates. * represents $p < 0.0476$; *** represents $p < 0.0006$; **** represents $p < 0.0001$ (uncorrected Fisher's LSD)

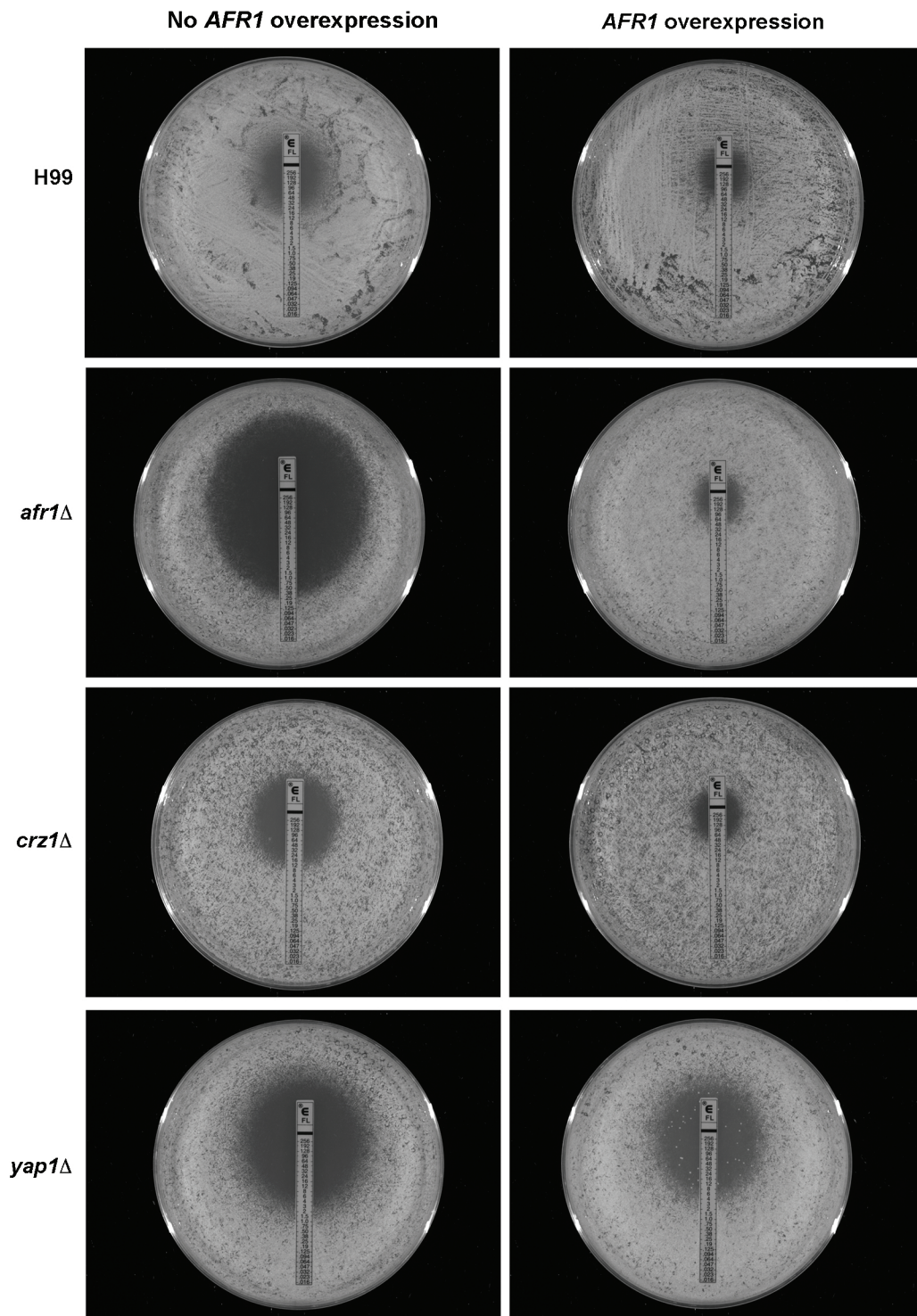


Fig. S2. Overexpression of *AFR1* results in a decrease of susceptibility to FLC. *AFR1* was placed under the control of *GPD1* promoter and transformed into indicated strains. E-test was used to measure the FLC susceptibility and photographs were taken after 3 days of incubation.

Table S1. List of strains used in this study.

Strain	Genotype	Parent	Reference
H99 (<i>C. neoformans</i>)	MAT α serotype A		(1)
<i>afr1</i> Δ	MAT α <i>afr1</i> Δ ::NEO	H99	(2)
<i>afr2</i> Δ	MAT α <i>afr2</i> Δ ::NEO	H99	This study
<i>mdr1</i> Δ	MAT α <i>mdr1</i> Δ ::NEO	H99	This study
<i>afr1</i> Δ / <i>afr2</i> Δ	MAT α <i>afr1</i> Δ ::NEO <i>afr2</i> Δ ::HYG	H99	This study
<i>afr1</i> Δ / <i>mdr1</i> Δ	MAT α <i>afr1</i> Δ ::NEO <i>mdr1</i> Δ ::NAT	H99	This study
<i>afr2</i> Δ / <i>mdr1</i> Δ	MAT α <i>afr2</i> Δ ::NEO <i>mdr1</i> Δ ::NAT	H99	This study
<i>afr1</i> Δ / <i>afr2</i> Δ / <i>mdr1</i> Δ	MAT α <i>afr1</i> Δ ::NEO <i>afr2</i> Δ ::HYG <i>mdr1</i> Δ ::NAT	H99	This study
YSB815	MAT α <i>yap1</i> Δ ::NAT	H99	Y. Bahn
YSB1416	MAT α <i>yap2</i> Δ ::NAT	H99	Y. Bahn
YSB1099	MAT α <i>bzp3</i> Δ ::NAT	H99	Y. Bahn
YSB1249	MAT α <i>pip2</i> Δ ::NAT	H99	Y. Bahn
YSB1263	MAT α <i>crz1</i> Δ ::NAT	H99	Y. Bahn
YSB2493	MAT α <i>sre1</i> Δ ::NAT	H99	Y. Bahn
YSB2622	MAT α <i>zfc2</i> Δ ::NAT	H99	Y. Bahn
YSB2702	MAT α <i>bzp2</i> Δ ::NAT	H99	Y. Bahn
YSB1104	MAT α <i>hap2</i> Δ ::NAT	H99	Y. Bahn
YSB2308	MAT α <i>hob1</i> Δ ::NAT	H99	Y. Bahn
YSB2972	MAT α <i>gat1</i> Δ ::NAT	H99	Y. Bahn
YSB3096	MAT α <i>nrg1</i> Δ ::NAT	H99	Y. Bahn
R265 (<i>C. gattii</i>)	MAT α VGII serotype B		(3)
<i>afr1</i> Δ	MAT α <i>afr1</i> Δ ::NEO	R265	This study
<i>afr2</i> Δ	MAT α <i>afr2</i> Δ ::NEO	R265	This study
<i>mdr1</i> Δ	MAT α <i>mdr1</i> Δ ::NEO	R265	This study
<i>afr1</i> Δ / <i>afr2</i> Δ	MAT α <i>afr1</i> Δ ::NEO <i>afr2</i> Δ ::NAT	R265	This study
<i>afr1</i> Δ / <i>mdr1</i> Δ	MAT α <i>afr1</i> Δ ::NEO <i>mdr1</i> Δ ::NAT	R265	This study
<i>afr2</i> Δ / <i>mdr1</i> Δ	MAT α <i>afr2</i> Δ ::NEO <i>mdr1</i> Δ ::NAT	R265	This study
<i>afr1</i> Δ / <i>afr2</i> Δ / <i>mdr1</i> Δ	MAT α <i>afr1</i> Δ ::NEO <i>afr2</i> Δ ::NAT <i>mdr1</i> Δ ::HYG	R265	This study

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Table S2. Primers used in this study.

Primer name	Sequence (5' to 3')	Purpose
CNAG_AFR2_A	CAAATTCGAGGAGCTTGGAG	PCR for deletion
CNAG_AFR2_B	GCTAGTTTCTACATCTCTTCCGTGCGGTCGTAAGTACCCAAACC	PCR for deletion
CNAG_AFR2_C	CGCCGCTCTCCAGCTCACATCCTCGTCTCGTTCCAGCGAAAGAC	PCR for deletion
CNAG_AFR2_D	GAAAAGGGCCTATGCAATGA	PCR for deletion
CNAG_AFR2_E	TCTTGTCGTCATTCCCCTTC	PCR for deletion
CNAG_AFR2_F	TAGGTAAAGGGCCGAAAGGT	PCR for deletion
CNAG_MDR1_A	AAATGCGTAGGTGGCAAAAA	PCR for deletion
CNAG_MDR1_B	GCTAGTTTCTACATCTCTTCCGTGGCAGTGAGTCCTGGAGAAGC	PCR for deletion
CNAG_MDR1_C	CGCCGCTCTCCAGCTCACATCCTCCGCGAGGCAGGACTACTATC	PCR for deletion
CNAG_MDR1_D	TCGCAAAGTAGCAGTGAACAA	PCR for deletion
CNAG_MDR1_E	GCTCTGTTTGATGGATTTTGC	PCR for deletion
CNAG_MDR1_F	AACGAGTGCCACACTTAAAAAG	PCR for deletion
CNBG_AFR1_A	GCGACGACAGCAATAAATGA	PCR for deletion
CNBG_AFR1_B	GCTAGTTTCTACATCTCTTCCGTGCCTGACGGATTCTGAGTGGT	PCR for deletion
CNBG_AFR1_C	CGCCGCTCTCCAGCTCACATCCTCAACCAGGTGGAGAGATTTTCG	PCR for deletion
CNBG_AFR1_D	CAACGTCATTGCTTTGATGG	PCR for deletion
CNBG_AFR1_E	GTCTTGGTCGGTTGGTGACT	PCR for deletion
CNBG_AFR1_F	GTTGCTTCGGGTGATCAAAT	PCR for deletion
CNBG_AFR2_A	GATCCCCCTCAGAGCTTTC	PCR for deletion
CNBG_AFR2_B	GCTAGTTTCTACATCTCTTCCGTGACGGTTTTCTTCCGTTTGAG	PCR for deletion
CNBG_AFR2_C	CGCCGCTCTCCAGCTCACATCCTCCGGAGGACGTACAGGAGAAG	PCR for deletion
CNBG_AFR2_D	GGATGACGATAAACGGCAAT	PCR for deletion
CNBG_AFR2_E	GCCTATGCAGACGACTGTGA	PCR for deletion
CNBG_AFR2_F	TTCGATTGCCTCAAGATTCC	PCR for deletion
CNBG_MDR1_A	ATAATGCAGCGGTGGAAAAA	PCR for deletion
CNBG_MDR1_B	GCTAGTTTCTACATCTCTTCCGTGAGAATCATGGGCAAGAGCAT	PCR for deletion
CNBG_MDR1_C	CGCCGCTCTCCAGCTCACATCCTCGAGCATGGAACACACCAAGA	PCR for deletion
CNBG_MDR1_D	TGCAGATCAAAGCAACAGGT	PCR for deletion
CNBG_MDR1_E	CGAAGCAAGGAAAGATGGAG	PCR for deletion
CNBG_MDR1_F	TTCCGATCGATTACCGATGT	PCR for deletion
CNAG_AFR1_For	ACTGTCTGCTCGTGGGATAACTC	RT-PCR
CNAG_AFR1_Rev	GAAGTCGAAGAGATTTGGCGTAGT	RT-PCR
CNAG_AFR2_For	GGCCATTTACAGACACTCA	RT-PCR
CNAG_AFR2_Rev	CTTCGCGAGCACGGTGTT	RT-PCR
CNAG_MDR1_For	TCCCGGATGCGTCCAA	RT-PCR
CNAG_MDR1_Rev	CATTGTCGATGCTTCGGAAGA	RT-PCR
CNAG_ERG11_For	TGGCAAGACGCCAAAGTCT	RT-PCR
CNAG_ERG11_Rev	GGCGGCAAATCCCTTTTC	RT-PCR
CNBG_AFR1_For	GCCACTCAGCATGACGAACA	RT-PCR
CNBG_AFR1_Rev	GACCGACTTATCGCCCTCTTC	RT-PCR
CNBG_AFR2_For	CTGATTTTCTGCGGTGTATTGG	RT-PCR
CNBG_AFR2_Rev	AACGGCGAAACACGATACATAA	RT-PCR
CNBG_MDR1_For	CAAGCCGAAACGTCTTCA	RT-PCR
CNBG_MDR1_Rev	TGGAAGCGGCCGATGA	RT-PCR
CNAG_Actin_For	CTTGCTCTTTGTCTACCTTCCA	RT-PCR
CNAG_Actin_Rev	GGACGATTGAGGGACCAGACT	RT-PCR
CNBG_Actin_For	CGAGGGCGACCAACAATAGA	RT-PCR
CNBG_Actin_Rev	ATGTGCAAGGCTGGTTTCG	RT-PCR

Table S3. Primers used for qPCR assays.

Probe name	Chromosome location	Locus name	Primer forward	Probe
chr1A	Chr1	CNAG_00040	forward 5'-TGGCAAGACGCCAAAGTCT-3' reverse 5'-GGCGGCAAATCCCTTTTC-3'	AACCCTGCCCCG ATGGCACGA
chr3A	Chr3	CNAG_02959	forward 5'-GAAGATGGCGAGCCTGACA-3' reverse 5'-CACTTCGAGCCTTCTTCTCATG-3'	CACCCAGGAGG AGCTCGCCGA
chr5B	Chr5	CNAG_00976	forward 5'-CGGCTTTCTTTGTGTAAGTCTATCC-3' reverse 5'-CATACTGCATCGCCAAGATCA-3'	TGCTTTTCGCAC TCCA ACTGTTCCG