

Supporting Table S1: Individual aging experiments and statistics

| Genotype | Treatment | Mean lifespan (days) | Maximum lifespan (days) | p-values vs. control* | Mean lifespan change (days) |
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| Wild type (N2) | Control [#] | 19.1 ± 3.4 (n =50) | 28 | | |
| | 0.1 mM paraquat (PQ) | 31.0 ± 4.7 (n =50) | 40 | P<0.0001 | +10.9 |
| Wild type (N2) | Control | 15.0 ± 3.1 (n =50) | 22 | | |
| | 0.05 mM PQ | 22.0 ± 2.7 (n =46) | 30 | P<0.0001 | +7.0 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 28.9 ± 6.8 (n =50) | 40 | P<0.0001 | +13.9 |
| | 0.2 mM PQ | 21.1 ± 4.7 (n =45) | 27 | P<0.0001 | +6.1 |
| Wild type (N2) | Control | 17.8 ± 3.4 (n =50) | 25 | | |
| | 0.1 mM PQ entire life | 28.7 ± 6.5 (n =50) | 43 | P<0.0001 | +10.9 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ larval dev. | 22.9 ± 5.2 (n =50) | 32 | P<0.0001 | +5.1 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ adulthood | 27.1 ± 6.9 (n =50) | 40 | P<0.0001 | +9.3 |
| Wild type (N2) | Empty vector (HT115) to OP50** | 20.9 ± 3.8 (n =50) | 27 | | |
| | Empty vector (HT115) to 0.1 mM PQ (OP50)** | 23.5 ± 4.8 (n =50) | 30 | | +3.4 |
| | | 22.7 ± 4.2 (n =50) | 31 | P<0.0001 | +2.6 |
| Wild type (N2) | <i>nuo-6</i> RNAi to OP50** | 24.4 ± 4.4 (n =50) | 32 | | |
| | | 22.2 ± 4.6 (n =50) | 28 | | |
| | <i>nuo-6</i> RNAi to 0.1 mM PQ (OP50)** | 31.7 ± 3.5 (n =50) | 41 | | +8.1 |
| | | 28.6 ± 3.3 (n =50) | 33 | P<0.0001 | +6.3 |
| Wild type (N2) | <i>isp-1</i> RNAi to OP50** | 22.4 ± 5.4 (n =50) | 34 | | |
| | | 23.5 ± 6.2 (n =50) | 32 | | |
| | <i>isp-1</i> RNAi to 0.1 mM PQ (OP50)** | 25.5 ± 4.8 (n =50) | 36 | | +2.5 |
| | | 24.5 ± 5.1 (n =50) | 35 | | +1.5 |
| Wild type (N2) | Dead bacteria | 23.0 ± 4.2 (n =50) | 30 | | |

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| | Dead bact. + 0.1 mM PQ | 30.4 ± 3.2 (n =50) | 37 | P<0.0001 | +16.6 |
| <i>clk-1(qm30)</i> | Dead bacteria | 25.9 ± 6.9 (n =50) | 40 | | |
| | Dead bact + 0.1 mM PQ | 37.3 ± 3.4 (n =50) | 44 | P<0.0001 | +11.4 |
| <i>isp-1(qm150)</i> | Dead bacteria | 36.2 ± 7.1 (n =29) | 55 | | |
| | Dead bact. + 0.1 mM PQ | 36.8 ± 6.5 (n =30) | 49 | P=0.8489 | +0.6 |
| <i>nuo-6(qm200)</i> | Dead bacteria | 38.5 ± 5.8 (n =30) | 49 | | |
| | Dead bact. + 0.1 mM PQ | 38.0 ± 5.7 (n =27) | 49 | P=0.9777 | -0.5 |
| <i>daf-2(e1370)</i> | Dead bacteria | 41.7 ± 9.4 (n =50) | 59 | | |
| | Dead bact.+ 0.1 mM PQ | 60.9 ± 9.2 (n =20) | 83 | P<0.0001 | +19.2 |
| <i>daf-16(m26)</i> | Dead bacteria | 23.1 ± 2.9 (n =50) | 27 | | |
| | Dead bact. + 0.1 mM PQ | 26.0 ± 2.8 (n =50) | 31 | P<0.0001 | +2.9 |
| Wild type (N2) | Control | 19.3 ± 3.4 (n =50) | 24 | | |
| | Benzyl viologen | 26.9 ± 3.4 (n =50) | 29 | P<0.0001 | +7.6 |
| | Benzyl viologen | 26.4 ± 3.8 (n =50) | 30 | | +7.1 |
| Wild type (N2) | Control | 22.0 ± 3.1 (n =50) | 28 | | |
| | Control | 18.7 ± 4.0 (n =50) | 27 | | |
| | Control | 21.0 ± 4.4 (n =50) | 29 | | |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 27.8 ± 3.4 (n =50) | 35 | P<0.0001 | +7.2 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 29.4 ± 5.7 (n =50) | 30 | | +8.8 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 28.6 ± 5.0 (n =50) | 39 | | +8.0 |
| Wild type (N2) | Control | 18.5 ± 3.0 (n =50) | 24 | P=0.0127 (P=0.0010) ⁺ | |
| <i>clk-1(qm30)</i> | Control | 20.9 ± 4.1 (n =50) | 30 | | |
| | Control | 20.3 ± 3.1 (n =50) | 29 | | |
| | Control | 21.1 ± 4.4 (n =50) | 33 | | |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 34.3 ± 5.2 (n =50) | 43 | P<0.0001 | +13.5 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 34.7 ± 5.6 (n =50) | 45 | | +13.9 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 40.4 ± 7.7 (n =50) | 58 | | +19.6 |

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| | 0.1 mM PQ | 38.0 ± 9.0 (n =50) | 53 | | +17.2 |
| <i>daf-2(e1370)</i> | Control | 45.9 ± 8.8 (n =50) | 67 | | |
| | Control | 44.1 ± 6.0 (n =50) | 55 | | |
| | Control | 41.4 ± 11.0 (n =50) | 65 | | |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 42.9 ± 11.0 (n =50) | 54 | P<0.0001 | -0.8 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 53.7 ± 10.8 (n =50) | 76 | | +9.9 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 51.1 ± 8.5 (n =50) | 70 | | +7.3 |
| <i>daf-2(e1370); nuo-6(qm200)</i> | Control | 47.3 ± 15.9 (n =45) | 81 | | +5.5 |
| | Control | 48.6 ± 16.3 (n =50) | 76 | P<0.0001 | +6.8 |
| <i>isp-1(qm150)</i> | Control | 33.6 ± 7.9 (n =50) | 53 | | |
| | Control | 33.5 ± 7.8 (n =50) | 50 | | |
| | Control | 34.3 ± 7.9 (n =50) | 50 | | |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 34.2 ± 7.3 (n =50) | 50 | P=0.0961 | +0.4 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 33.3 ± 6.5 (n =50) | 50 | | -0.5 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 37.3 ± 5.0 (n =50) | 47 | | +3.5 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 30.6 ± 8.3 (n =50) | 51 | | -3.2 |
| <i>nuo-6(qm200)</i> | Control | 35.9 ± 8.2 (n =50) | 49 | | |
| | Control | 30.7 ± 7.6 (n =50) | 50 | | |
| | Control | 32.4 ± 7.2 (n =50) | 46 | | |
| | Control | 33.5 ± 7.5 (n =50) | 48 | | |
| | Control | 34.2 ± 7.1 (n =50) | 47 | | +1.1 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 38.4 ± 6.4 (n =50) | 52 | P=0.0125 | +5.3 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 34.6 ± 9.9 (n =50) | 54 | | +1.5 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 34.5 ± 7.2 (n =50) | 46 | | +1.4 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 35.3 ± 8.5 (n =50) | 53 | | +2.2 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 34.6 ± 9.9 (n =50) | 54 | | +1.5 |
| <i>sod-2(ok1030)</i> | Control | 23.1 ± 4.6 (n =50) | 38 | | |

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| | Control | 21.3 ± 4.6 (n =50) | 33 | | |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 26.2 ± 4.0 (n =50) | 36 | P<0.0001 | +4.0 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 31.4 ± 4.1 (n =50) | 39 | | +9.2 |
| <i>daf-16(m26)</i> | Control | 19.1 ± 2.9 (n =50) | 23 | | |
| | Control | 16.9 ± 2.1 (n =50) | 21 | | |
| | Control | 16.5 ± 8.5 (n =50) | 20 | | |
| | Control | 23.1 ± 2.9 (n =50) | 27 | | |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 22.0 ± 2.8 (n =50) | 27 | P<0.0001 | +3.1 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 22.5 ± 3.9 (n =50) | 28 | | +3.6 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 22.1 ± 8.5 (n =50) | 28 | | +3.2 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 26.0 ± 2.8 (n =50) | 31 | | +7.1 |
| <i>aak-2(ok524)</i> | Control | 17.6 ± 2.5 (n =50) | 22 | | |
| | Control | 17.0 ± 2.4 (n =50) | 22 | | |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 21.1 ± 3.3 (n =50) | 29 | P<0.0001 | +3.8 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 22.8 ± 5.2 (n =50) | 30 | | +5.5 |
| <i>hsf-1(y441)</i> | Control | 15.9 ± 3.1 (n =50) | 22 | | |
| | Control | 13.9 ± 2.7 (n =50) | 20 | | |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 25.6 ± 6.1 (n =50) | 37 | P<0.0001 | +10.7 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 21.3 ± 4.2 (n =50) | 32 | | +6.4 |
| <i>hif-1(ia4)</i> | Control | 23.4 ± 4.1 (n =50) | 30 | | |
| | 0.1 mM PQ | 28.7 ± 6.8 (n =50) | 41 | P<0.0001 | +5.3 |
| Wild type (N2) | Control | 19.2 ± 2.5 (n =50) | 24 | | |
| | Control | 18.5 ± 2.8 (n =50) | 24 | | |
| | 0.1 mM PQ on adult | 25.2 ± 3.1 (n =50) | 29 | P<0.0001 | +6.3 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ on adult | 25.3 ± 3.7 (n =50) | 30 | | +6.4 |
| <i>wwp-1(ok1102)</i> | Control | 22.3 ± 3.0 (n =50) | 28 | | |
| | Control | 21.5 ± 2.9 (n =50) | 28 | | |

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| | 0.1 mM PQ on adult | 30.0 ± 5.6 (n =50) | 37 | P<0.0001 | +8.1 |
| | 0.1 mM PQ on adult | 28.1 ± 4.6 (n =50) | 34 | | +6.2 |
| <i>skn-1(zn67)</i> | Control | 17.6 ± 2.3 (n =50) | 22 | | |
| | 0.1 mM PQ on adult | 22.8 ± 2.8 (n =50) | 25 | P<0.0001 | +5.2 |
| <i>nuo-6(qm200)</i> | Empty vector (HT115) | 32.0 ± 9.0 (n =40) | 49 | | |
| | Empty vector (HT115) | 32.4 ± 8.6 (n =40) | 48 | | |
| | <i>sod-1</i> RNAi | 34.4 ± 7.0 (n =40) | 44 | P<0.0001 | +2.2 |
| | <i>sod-1</i> RNAi | 37.3 ± 9.8 (n =40) | 56 | | +5.1 |
| | <i>sod-2</i> RNAi | 36.0 ± 8.3 (n =40) | 51 | P<0.0001 | +3.6 |
| | <i>sod-2</i> RNAi | 36.4 ± 7.8 (n =40) | 53 | | +4.2 |
| Wild type (N2) | Control | 22.1 ± 3.7 (n =50) | 28 | | |
| | Control | 19.4 ± 3.4 (n =50) | 27 | | |
| | 1 mM NAC | 20.2 ± 3.4 (n =50) | 27 | | -0.6 |
| | 10 mM NAC | 19.6 ± 2.6 (n =50) | 26 | P=0.1655 | -1.2 |
| | 10 mM NAC | 20.8 ± 3.6 (n =50) | 30 | | -0.0 |
| Wild type (N2) | Control | 20.3 ± 3.0 (n =50) | 27 | | |
| | 15 mM NAC | 21.6 ± 4.2 (n =50) | 31 | | +1.3 |
| | 1 mM Vit C | 21.0 ± 3.0 (n =50) | 28 | | +0.7 |
| Wild type (N2) | Control | 17.6 ± 2.5 (n =50) | 22 | | |
| | 8 mM NAC | 16.6 ± 3.2 (n =37) | 21 | | -1.0 |
| | 10 mM NAC | 16.5 ± 2.5 (n =42) | 20 | | -1.1 |
| <i>nuo-6(qm200)</i> | Control | 33.4 ± 7.6 (n =50) | 50 | | |
| | Control | 33.4 ± 9.8 (n =50) | 54 | | |
| | 1 mM NAC | 31.2 ± 9.0 (n =50) | 45 | | -2.2 |
| | 10 mM NAC | 21.1 ± 2.2 (n =38) | 25 | P<0.0001 | -12.3 |
| | 10 mM NAC | 20.1 ± 3.6 (n =35) | 28 | | -13.3 |
| <i>nuo-6(qm200)</i> | Control | 32.8 ± 6.9 (n =50) | 47 | | |

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| | 0.2 mM PQ | 27.8 ± 7.2 (n =27) | 39 | | -4.0 |
| | 1 mM Vit C | 25.8 ± 6.2 (n =50) | 37 | P<0.001 | -6.0 |
| | 1 mM Vit C | 27.0 ± 7.5 (n =50) | 41 | P<0.001 | -5.2 |
| <i>clk-1(qm30)</i> | Control | 22.1 ± 3.0 (n =46) | 33 | | |
| | Control | 22.8 ± 4.3 (n =46) | 33 | | |
| | 10 mM NAC | 22.2 ± 3.3 (n =50) | 30 | P=0.4247 | -0.3 |
| | 10 mM NAC | 23.7 ± 4.4 (n =50) | 30 | | +1.2 |
| <i>clk-1(qm30)</i> | Control | 22.4 ± 4.4 (n =50) | 34 | | |
| | Control | 22.3 ± 5.2 (n =50) | 37 | | |
| | 15 mM NAC. | 22.2 ± 2.0 (n =50) | 27 ^s | | -0.1 |
| | 15 mM NAC | 22.2 ± 2.0 (n =50) | 27 | | -0.1 |
| <i>isp-1(qm150)</i> | Control | 34.1 ± 8.2 (n =50) | 47 | | |
| | Control | 33.9 ± 7.9 (n =50) | 53 | | |
| | 10 mM NAC | 21.6 ± 2.9 (n =50) | 28 | P<0.0001 | -11.9 |
| | 10 mM NAC | 28.5 ± 5.6 (n =50) | 38 | | -5.0 |
| | 10 mM NAC | 25.8 ± 4.6 (n=50) | 35 | | -7.7 |
| | 10 mM NAC | 26.6 ± 6.2 (n =50) | 37 | | -6.9 |
| <i>isp-1(qm150)</i> | Control | 32.2 ± 8.2 (n =50) | 48 | | |
| | 1 mM NAC | 30.7 ± 9.0 (n =50) | 48 | | |
| | 1 mM NAC. | 32.0 ± 9.6 (n =50) | 47 | | |
| | 8 mM NAC | 27.1 ± 4.3 (n =50) | 33 | | -5.1 |
| | 10 mM NAC | 21.0 ± 2.6 (n =50) | 27 | P<0.001 | -9.5 |
| | 0.2 mM PQ | 27.8 ± 7.5 (n =50) | 43 | P<0.001 | -2.7 |
| | 1 mM Vit C | 25.1 ± 4.8 (n =50) | 34 | P<0.001 | -5.4 |
| | 1 mM Vit C | 24.2 ± 5.0 (n =50) | 39 | P<0.001 | -6.3 |
| <i>sod-2(ok1030)</i> | Control | 24.7 ± 7.7 (n =50) | 41 | | |

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| | Control | 23.0 ± 6.0 (n =50) | 41 | | |
| | 10 mM NAC | 20.8 ± 3.2 (n =50) | 29 | P<0.0001 | -3.1 |
| | 10 mM NAC | 19.6 ± 3.9 (n =50) | 30 | | -4.3 |
| <i>daf-2(e1370)</i> | Control | 40.1 ± 11.6 (n =50) | 64 | | |
| | Control | 43.1 ± 9.7 (n =50) | 67 | | |
| | 10 mM NAC | 33.5 ± 9.6 (n =50) | 54 | P<0.0001 | -8.3 |
| | 10 mM NAC | 39.2 ± 9.3 (n =50) | 54 | | -2.6 |

*When experiments have been carried out more than once the p-values provided are for comparisons between pooled datasets for each condition.

#When the use of the RNAi strain HT115 is not specified it means that experiments were carried out with OP50.

**In these experiments worms were transferred from HT115 bacteria (with empty vector or a particular clone) to OP50 at the young adult stage, at which time they are treated or not with PQ. This was because HT115 bacteria are too sensitive to PQ to remain a good food source for the worms.

†For this particular experiment, because of the relatively moderate increase in *clk-1* lifespan, we have added the lifespan of wild type controls that were carried out at the same time. In brackets we also provide the statistical significance of the difference in lifespan between the *clk-1* mutants in this experiments and the pool of the wild type from all experiments.