

Supplementary materials

Table S1 Yeast strains used in the present study.

| Name | Relevant genotype | Reference |
|-------------|--|------------|
| cv-110 | MATa URA3 HIS3 LEU2 TRP1 MAL2-8c SUC2 | |
| cv-100+Cas9 | cv-110; pCfB2312 | This study |
| TMBRP011 | cv-110+Cas9; XI-3::TRX2_5xUASp-yEGFP-ADH1t | This study |

Table S2 Plasmids used in the present study.

| Name | Relevant genotype | Reference |
|----------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| pCfB2312 | pTEF1p-Cas9-CYC1t_kanMX | (Jessop-Fabre et al., 2016) |
| pCfB3045 | gRNA_XI-3; natMX | (Jessop-Fabre et al., 2016) |
| pCfB2904 | XI-3 MarkerFree backbone | (Jessop-Fabre et al., 2016) |
| pRP005 | pCfB2904; TEF1p-yEGFP3-ADH1t | (Perruca-Foncillas et al., 2022) |
| pRP010 | pCfB2904; TRX2_5xUASp-yEGFP-ADH1t | This study |

Table S3 List of primers used in the project. Bold letters indicate the introduction of a restriction site.

Lower case letters indicate the segment annealing to a gene whereas upper case letters correspond to primer tails.

| Primer name | Sequence (5' → 3') |
|--------------|---|
| TRX2p_f_PstI | TACAAACCT G CAGGTATtgtcaacaacgtatctaccaacg |
| TRX2p_r_XhoI | ATGCGT CTC GAGTTAttattgatgtttaaagatatcgtagac |
| seqTRX2p | aattgggacaacaccagtg |
| XI-3_ver_r | cggttgtatattgttcctgc |
| XI-3_ver_f | ggccgttatattgtcgttat |

Table S4 Volumetric ethanol productivities (g/L/h) obtained for anaerobic fermentations with wheat straw hydrolysate containing levels of inhibitors equivalent to 7.5% WIS, 5% WIS and 2.5% WIS.

| Volumetric ethanol productivity (g/L/h) | | | | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | 8 h | 24 h | 48 h | 72 h | 96 h |
| 7.5% WISeq GX | 1.58±0.11 | 1.90±0.17 | 2.35±0.09 | 2.53±0.09 | 2.53±0.14 |
| 7.5% WISeq H | 1.76±0.1 | 2.27±0.15 | 2.47±0.14 | 2.54±0.14 | 2.55±0.11 |
| 7.5% WISeq GE | 1.30±0.16 | 1.89±0.12 | 2.37±0.08 | 2.53±0.05 | 2.59±0.09 |
| 5% WISeq GX | 1.62±0.12 | 2.20±0.11 | 2.44±0.02 | 2.49±0.0 | 2.48±0.04 |
| 5% WISeq H | 1.89±0.11 | 2.36±0.08 | 2.24±0.24 | 2.46±0.05 | 2.46±0.06 |
| 5% WISeq GE | 1.68±0.01 | 2.32±0.03 | 2.41±0.01 | 2.46±0.01 | 2.49±0.03 |
| 2.5% WISeq GX | 1.81±0.12 | 2.40±0.07 | 2.40±0.05 | 2.45±0.07 | 2.41±0.11 |
| 2.5% WISeq H | 1.79±0.26 | 2.38±0.06 | 2.84±0.7 | 2.71±0.49 | 2.35±0.09 |
| 2.5% WISeq GE | 1.71±0.35 | 2.38±0.05 | 2.79±0.56 | 2.71±0.43 | 2.36±0.07 |

Table S5 Ethanol yields as percentage of the maximum theoretical yield (%max) obtained for anaerobic fermentations with wheat straw hydrolysate containing levels of inhibitors equivalent to 7.5% WIS, 5% WIS and 2.5% WIS.

| Ethanol yield (%max) | | | |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| | 48 h | 72 h | 96 h |
| 7.5% WISeq GX | 85.4±1.0 | 92.2±1.3 | 92±0.6 |
| 7.5% WISeq H | 89.5±4.4 | 91.9±4.4 | 92.3±3.5 |
| 7.5% WISeq GE | 82.4±2.1 | 88.1±0.9 | 90±2.4 |
| 5% WISeq GX | 87.6±1.2 | 89.3±2.1 | 89±0.5 |
| 5% WISeq H | 80.7±10.5 | 88.5±0.2 | 88.5±0.2 |
| 5% WISeq GE | 86.6±0.7 | 88.4±1.4 | 89.5±0.2 |
| 2.5% WISeq GX | 85.4±3.9 | 86.9±0.1 | 85.6±1.6 |
| 2.5% WISeq H | 102.8±25 | 98.1±17.3 | 84.9±2.9 |
| 2.5% WISeq GE | 98.5±17.5 | 95.8±13.0 | 83.8±0.4 |

Table S6 Percentage of robust coefficient of variance (rCV) of fluorescence intensity during fermentation. Samples with rCV higher than 60% are marked in gray for better visualization.

| | Time (h) | 1 | 3 | 5 | 8 | 24 | 48 | 72 | 96 |
|---------------------------------|------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| GX propagation | 10% WISeq | 41.7 | 51.2 | 63.2 | 103.15 | 43.35 | 45.2 | 48.75 | 52.7 |
| | 7.5% WISeq | 35.75 | 29.4 | 30.7 | 32.4 | 40.7 | 45.75 | 49.7 | 53.7 |
| | 5% WISeq | 33.15 | 28.45 | 30.25 | 34.65 | 47.25 | 49.65 | 54.75 | 52.55 |
| | 2.5%WISeq | 37.95 | 38.15 | 39.3 | 38.3 | 50.4 | 56.7 | 48.45 | 42.2 |
| H propagation | 10% WISeq | 58.35 | 62.45 | 119.15 | 55.6 | 57.35 | 56.5 | 56 | 53 |
| | 7.5% WISeq | 55.15 | 43.1 | 42.3 | 45.95 | 56.65 | 56.85 | 53.75 | 52.8 |
| | 5% WISeq | 52.25 | 44.1 | 46.05 | 50.95 | 56.25 | 53.4 | 49.5 | 49.65 |
| | 2.5%WISeq | 53.25 | 52.2 | 51.65 | 52.85 | 53.75 | 51.55 | 46.1 | 42 |
| GE propagation | 10% WISeq | 45.6 | 53.2 | 59.05 | 74.65 | 59.15 | 46.3 | 47.35 | 52.15 |
| | 7.5% WISeq | 45.55 | 55.05 | 44.7 | 48.85 | 42.75 | 46.75 | 59.4 | 61.5 |
| | 5% WISeq | 43.7 | 29.95 | 40.1 | 40.75 | 43.65 | 48.05 | 61.05 | 65.25 |
| | 2.5%WISeq | 49.15 | 51.85 | 49.35 | 46.1 | 44.7 | 66.5 | 58.15 | 50.7 |

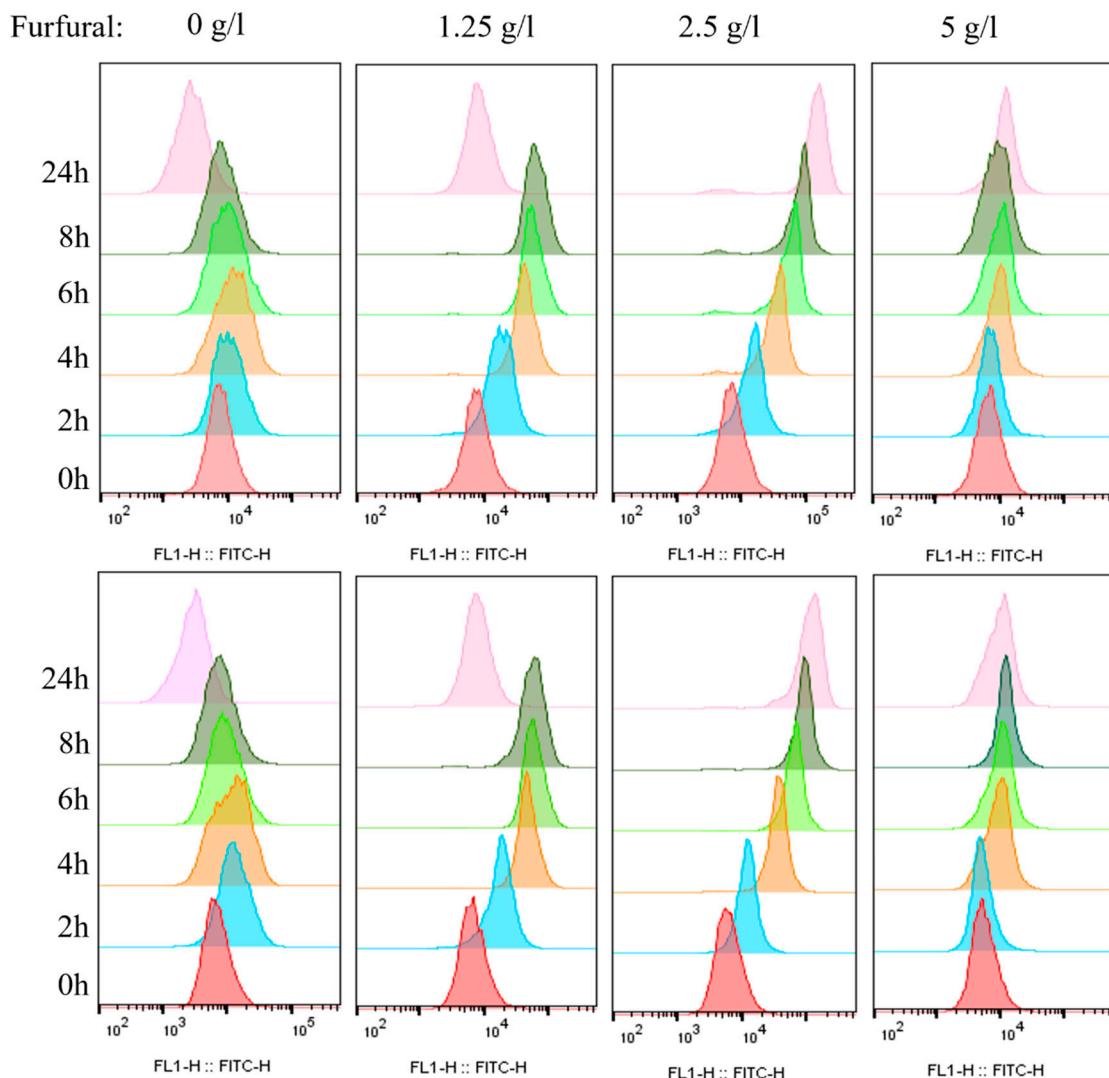


Fig. S1 Histogram showing population distribution of GFP signal from biosensor when exposed to different concentrations of furfural. Each row corresponds to one of the biological replicates.

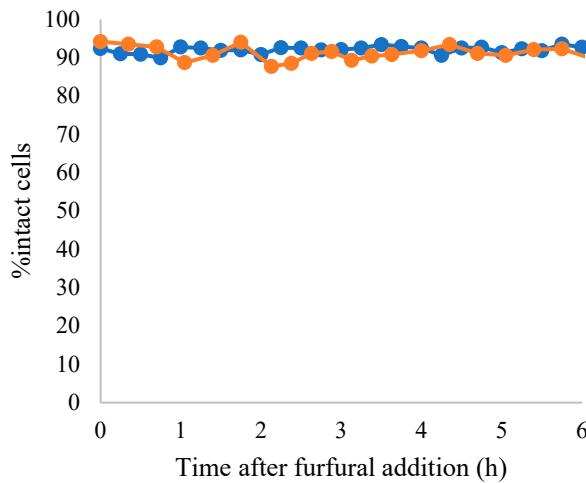


Fig. S2 Percentage of population of cells with intact membranes based on propidium iodine (PI) staining during the first 6 hours after the addition of a pulse of 2 g/L of furfural in a chemostat. Each series corresponds to one of the biological replicates.

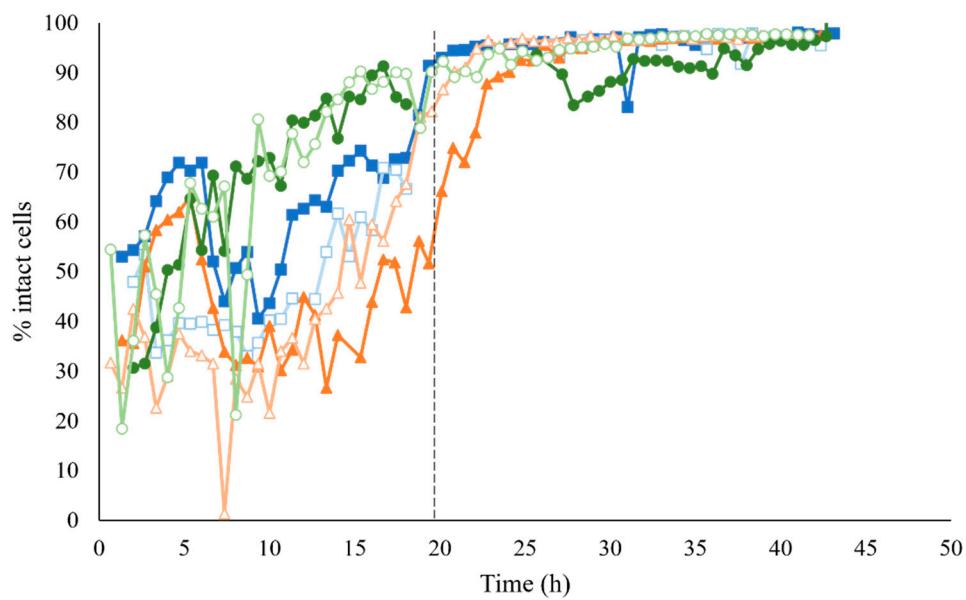


Fig. S3 Percentage of cells in the population with intact membranes based on propidium iodine (PI) staining over time during propagation for three different strategies: H propagation (\blacktriangle). GX propagation (\blacksquare) and GE propagation (\bullet). The second biological replicate for each strategy is marked with empty symbols. The dotted line marks the start of the feeding.

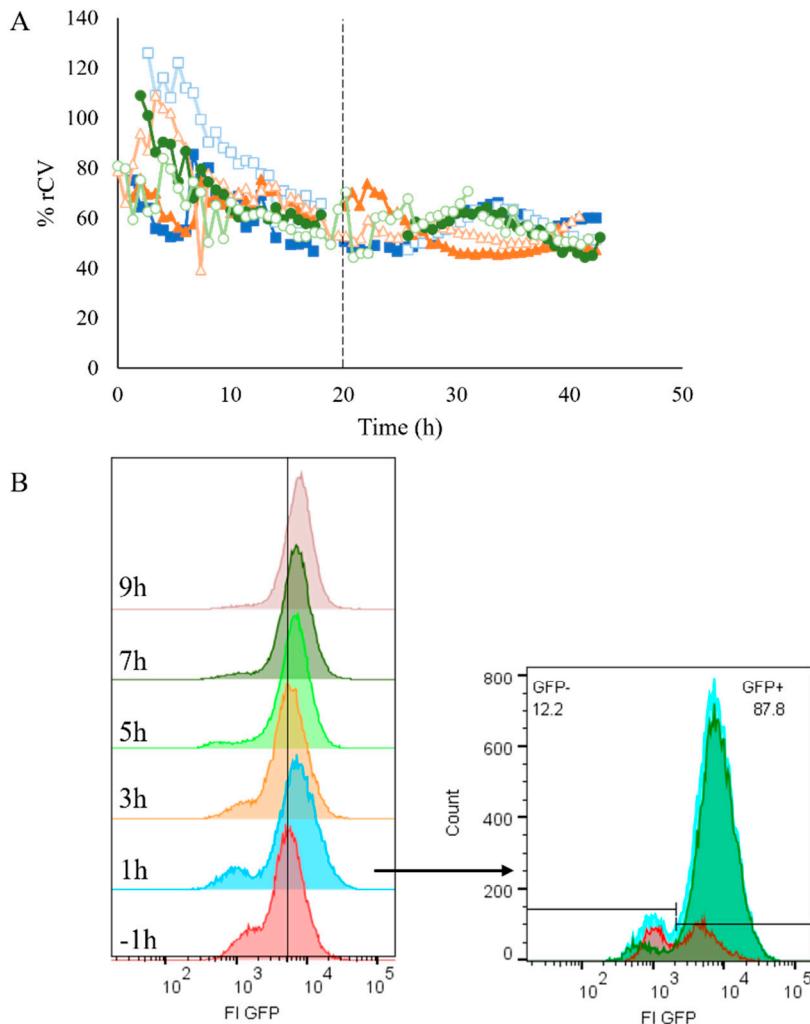


Fig. S4 (A) Robust coefficient of variance (rCV) of fluorescence intensity over time during propagation of three different strategies: H propagation (\blacktriangle). GX propagation (\blacksquare) and GE propagation (\bullet). The second biological replicate for each strategy is marked with empty symbols. The dotted line marks the start of the feeding. **(B)** Histogram showing distribution of fluorescence intensity (FI) in the population for one of the biological replicates during H propagation. On the right, the 1h sample in light blue is further analyzed by showing cells with permeabilized membrane in red and intact cells in green.

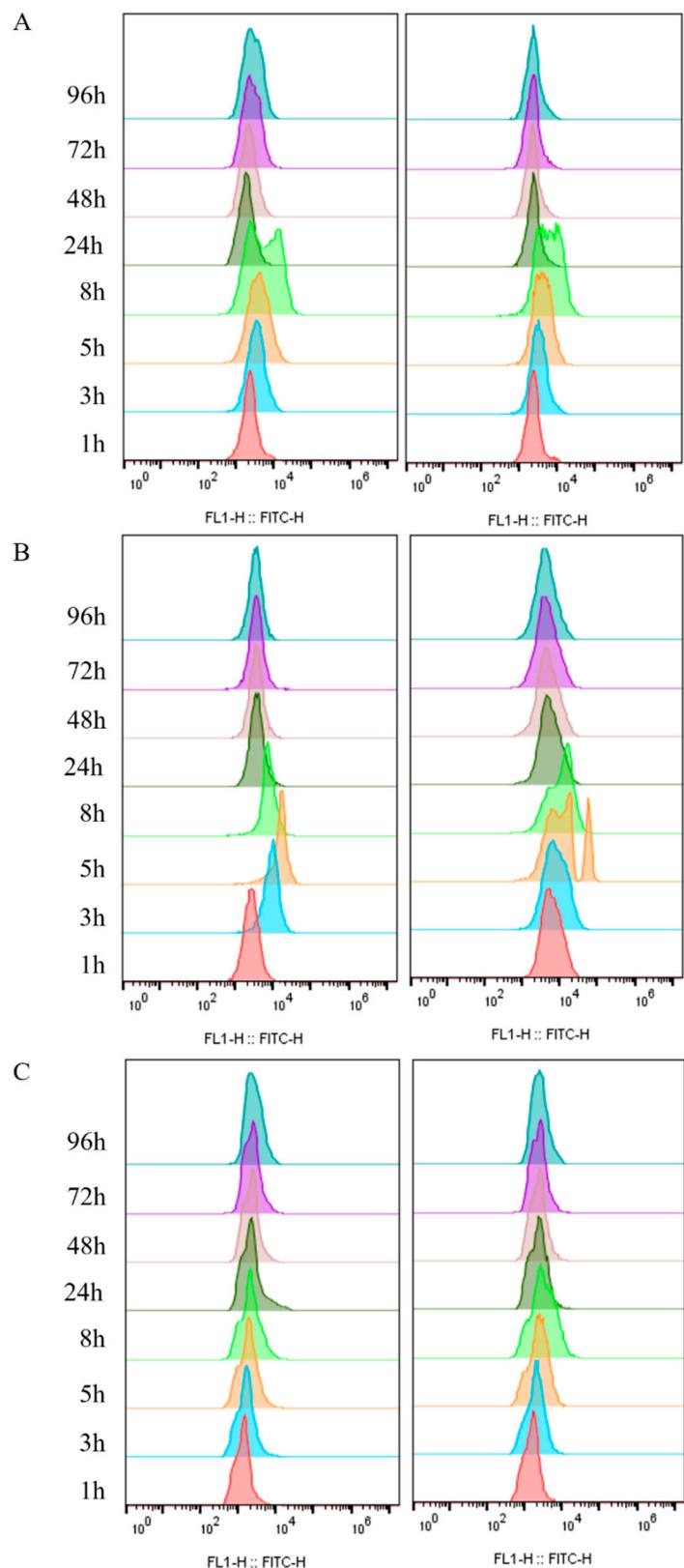


Fig. S5 Histogram representation of distribution of fluorescence intensity (FI) during fermentation at conditions with inhibitors levels equivalent to 10% WIS for (A) GX-propagated cells, (B) H-propagated and (C) GE-propagated cells.