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Software and code

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Data collection

no specific software or code was used to collect data

Data analysis

The following software was used for experiments in this research - RStudio, TASSEL, R packages (ABHgenotypeR, ParentOffSpring), MapQTL 19 6.0, MapChart 2.32, LGC Genomics 1 KASP by design

Whole genome resequencing data analysis - We analyzed different haplotypes of GmSNAP18, 7 GmSNAP11 and GmSNAP02 using the Soybean Allele Catalog Tool on SoyKB24. Raw sequencing reads 8 of the GmSNAP02 gene (Glyma.02G260400) were obtained from NCBI SRA 9 (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sra>) using the fastq-dump command in sra-tools v2.10.0, with the 10 parameters "--gzip --origfmt --split-files". Read quality was assessed using FastQC v 0.11.9 with default 11 parameters and low quality reads and Illumina adapter sequences were trimmed using Trimmomatic v0.39 12 with the parameters "ILLUMINACLIP:TruSeq3-PE.fa:2:30:10:2:True, Leading:3, Trailing:3, 13 MINLEN:36". Quality-trimmed reads were aligned to the Williams 82 reference genome (Wm82.a2.v1 14 from Phytozome - <https://phytozome-next.jgi.doe.gov/>) using the bwa mem command in BWA v0.7.17 15 with default parameters. Mate coordinates and size fields were filled using the fixmate command in 16 Samtools v1.13 with parameter "-m" to add mate score tags. Reads were coordinate sorted using samtools 17 sort and duplicate reads marked with samtools markdup. Reads aligned to the region on Chr. 2 containing 18 the GmSNAP02 gene were extracted using samtools view command and visually inspected in the JBrowse 19 2 v1.7.7 desktop genome browser. Variant calling on all accessions were performed using the GATK 20 v4.1.9.0 platform as previously described⁵⁶.

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The authors declare that the data supporting the findings of this study are available within the paper, within the supplementary information file, and within the data source file. The raw whole genome sequencing data used within this paper are available for the four accessions as follows; PI 90763 [<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sra/?term=SRR2163296>], PI 437654 [<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sra/?term=SRR2163307>], Peking [<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sra/?term=SRR2163294>], and Williams 82 [<https://ngdc.cncb.ac.cn/gsa/browse/CRA002269/CRR108703>]. Plant material and soybean cyst nematode populations used in this manuscript are available upon request via a material transfer agreement and associated permits with each respective institution.

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Recruitment	not applicable
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Sample size	Sample sizes for experiments were designed via standard and relevant scientific protocol for all experimental procedures used
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Research sample	not applicable
Sampling strategy	not applicable
Data collection	not applicable

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Data exclusions	not applicable
Non-participation	not applicable
Randomization	not applicable

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Research sample	not applicable
Sampling strategy	not applicable
Data collection	not applicable
Timing and spatial scale	not applicable
Data exclusions	not applicable
Reproducibility	not applicable
Randomization	not applicable
Blinding	not applicable

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Field work, collection and transport

Field conditions	not applicable
Location	not applicable
Access & import/export	not applicable
Disturbance	not applicable

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Methods

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Antibodies

Antibodies used	not applicable
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Validation

not applicable

Eukaryotic cell lines

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Cell line source(s)

not applicable

Authentication

not applicable

Mycoplasma contamination

not applicable

Commonly misidentified lines
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not applicable

Palaeontology and Archaeology

Specimen provenance

not applicable

Specimen deposition

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Dating methods

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Laboratory animals

Heterodera glycines Inbred Populations TN7 (HG type 2.5.7; Race 1), TN22 (HG type 1.2.5.7; Race 2), PA3 (HG type 7; Race 3), MM5 (HG type 2.5.7; Race 5)

Wild animals

not applicable

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Data collection

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Plants

Seed stocks	Seed stocks of plant germplasm used in this study are available upon request from the United States Department of Agriculture and/or the University of Missouri
Novel plant genotypes	<p>GmSNAP02 CRISPR guide RNA (gRNA) and construct design - A dual sgRNA plasmid construction system was used as described in Kang, 201662. The CRISPR/Cas9 construct backbone 35S-Cas9-SK and sgRNA template plasmid AtU6-26-SK were gifts from Jiam-Kang Zhu's lab. This system utilizes the Arabidopsis AtU6-26 promoter to drive expression of the human codon-optimized Streptococcus pyogenes Cas9 (hspCas9)25,63. Several GmSNAP02 gRNA sequences for CRISPR/Cas9 targeting different regions of GmSNAP02 were designed using the CHOPCHOP web tool64. Complementary oligomers for selected gRNA were designed and annealed double-stranded gRNA sequences were cloned into the AtU6-26-SK vector. The Cas9 cassette from 35S-Cas9-SK and the sgRNA expression cassettes were subcloned into the pcamGFP-CvMV-GWOX binary vector. The pcamGFP-CvMV-GWOX binary vector has a strong CvMV promoter driving a GFP reporter gene cassette for transgene selection. The final constructs were introduced into the Rhizobium rhizogenes strain K599 using the freeze-thaw method65. Two different pcamGFP-CvMV-GmSNAP02-gRNAa-gRNAb constructs confirmed for GmSNAP02 edits by sequencing were used to generate soybean composite plants with transgenic roots. The final constructs were named as pcamGFP-CvMV-GmSNAP02-T3-T4 and pcamGFP-CvMV-GmSNAP02-T5-T7. The pcamGFP-CvMV-GWOX construct with no gRNA was used as the empty vector (EV) control. Primers used for vector construction are in the Supplementary File S12.</p> <p>Generation of composite soybean plants - Composite soybean plants with GmSNAP02-edited roots were generated by Rhizobium rhizogenes (K599) mediated transformation as previously described66 with modifications for SCN bioassays. Following K599 inoculation, plants were sealed and kept in a growth chamber set to 26°C with a photoperiod of 16h light/8h dark for hairy root generation before moving to the greenhouse. Composite plants with transformed hairy roots were selected under fluorescent light and untransformed roots were removed. Plants with uniform roots were transplanted to 1:1 sand:soil mix for SCN bioassays. Two independent biological replicates, each containing 14 plants for two different GmSNAP02 knock-out events and EV were used for phenotyping. The first and second replicates of soybean composite plants were inoculated with 3,000 and 2,000 SCN HG type 1.2.5.7 eggs, respectively. Inoculated plants were kept in the greenhouse at 26°C with a 16h/8h light/dark period for 28 days. Cysts from roots were extracted and counted using a stereoscope. A Kruskal–Wallis statistical test was used to determine significant differences in cyst counts in between Peking plants transformed with different CRISPR/Cas9-gRNAa+gRNAb constructs. Since there was a significant difference, we carried out a pair-wise comparison using the Wilcoxon rank sums test. The dot plot was created using the R program ver. 4.2.2.</p> <p>Plant populations development - Three recombinant inbred populations composed of 144, 131, and 246 F3:4 lines were developed from crosses between PI 90763 × Peking, Forrest × PI 437654, and SA10-8471 × PI 90763, respectively, and population development was similar to the populations described previously12. All cross hybridizations were made at the Bay Farm Research Facility in Columbia, Missouri during the summer of 2019 and populations were advanced using single-seed descent at winter nurseries in Hawaii and/or Puerto Rico before composite line establishment in later filial generations.</p>
Authentication	Endpoint genotyping with KASP and Taqman markers was used to validate true hybridizations from cross-pollination and during subsequent population development

ChIP-seq

Data deposition

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Data access links

May remain private before publication.

not applicable

Files in database submission

not applicable

Genome browser session
(e.g. [UCSC](#))

not applicable

Methodology

Replicates

not applicable

Sequencing depth

not applicable

Antibodies

not applicable

Peak calling parameters

not applicable

Data quality

not applicable

Software

not applicable

Flow Cytometry

Plots

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Methodology

Sample preparation

not applicable

Instrument

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Software

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Cell population abundance

not applicable

Gating strategy

not applicable

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Magnetic resonance imaging

Experimental design

Design type

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Design specifications

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Behavioral performance measures

not applicable

Acquisition

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