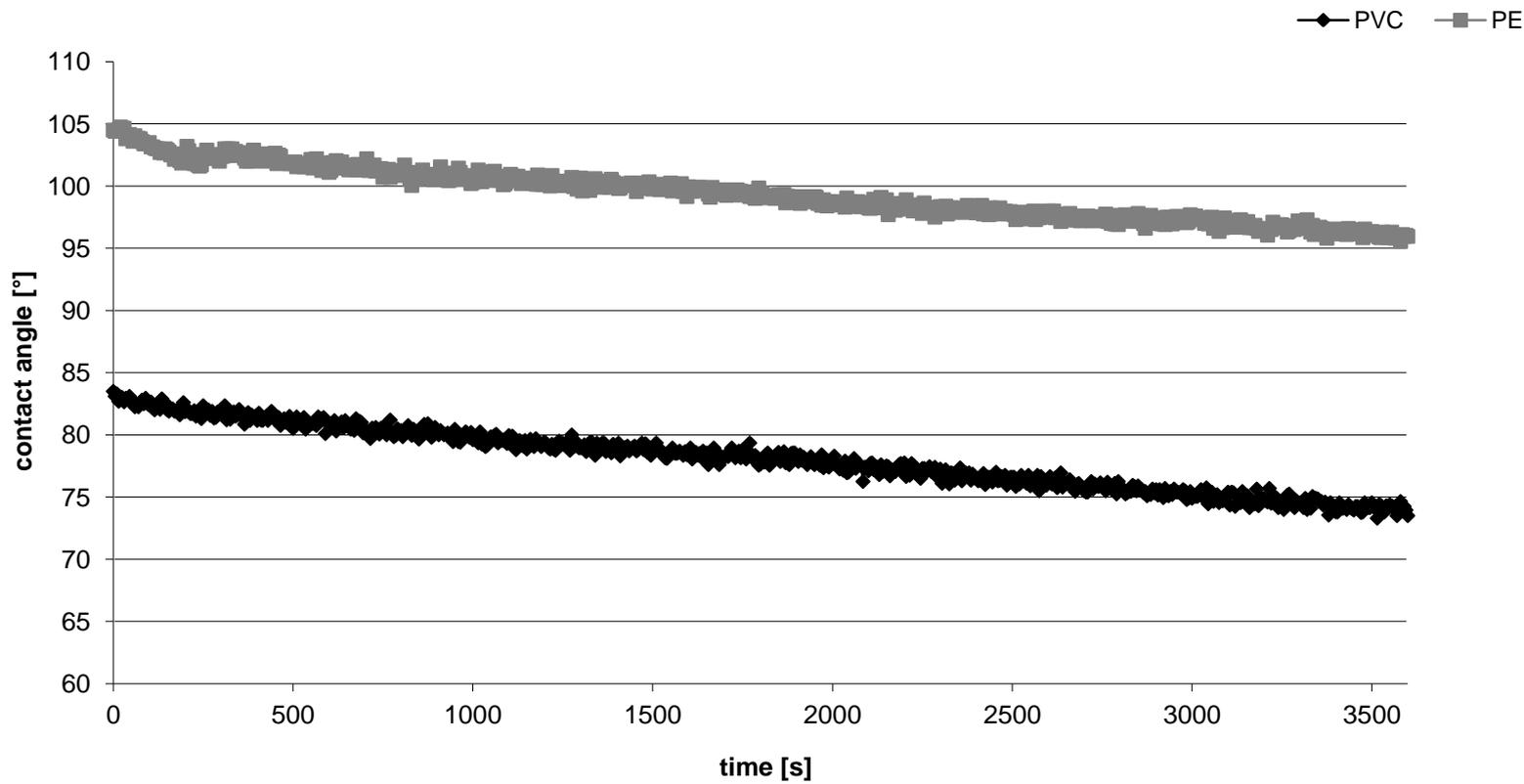


**Supplementary Table 1. Primers used in this study**

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6	amdsRV	CCAGAGCTCGTTCATGTAAACAGC
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10	ep12SpeI_Rv*	GTACACTAGTCTTTGCGGCCGTTTCTC
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13	ep12 trafo-check_Fw	GCAGCAGTGTGTCTCAGTTGA
14	ep12 trafo check_Rv	TGGGTCACATACATCATTAGC

\* Enzyme restriction sites in primer sequences are indicated in italics

Suppl. Fig. 1. Time-course of the surface contact angle of an EPL1 solution (0.5 mg/mL) on different surfaces.



Suppl. Fig. 2. Alignment of EPL1 homologues from various filamentous fungi.

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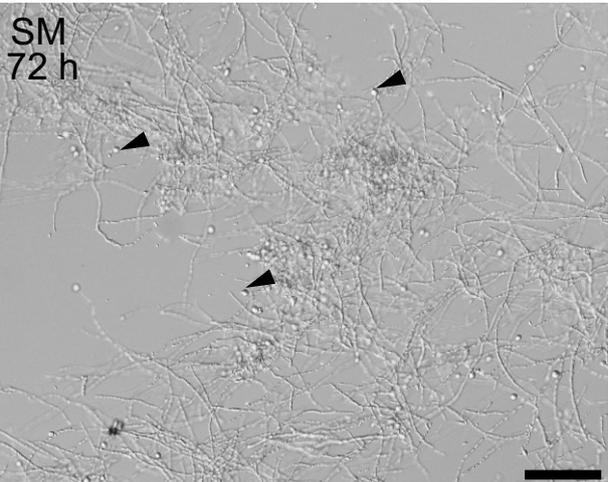
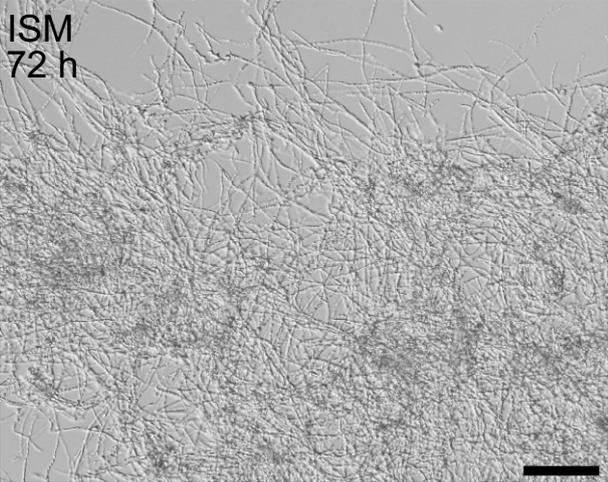
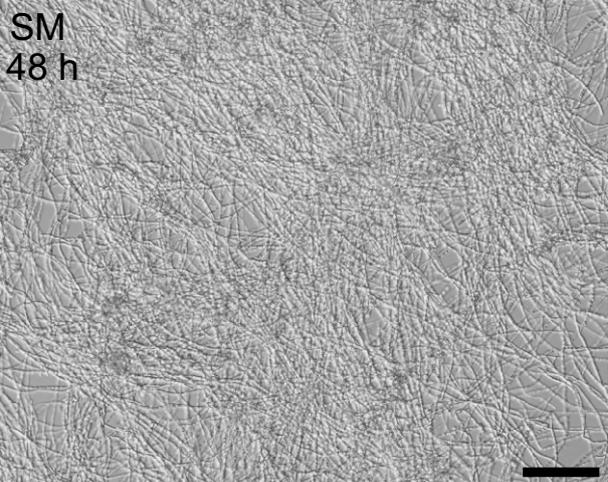
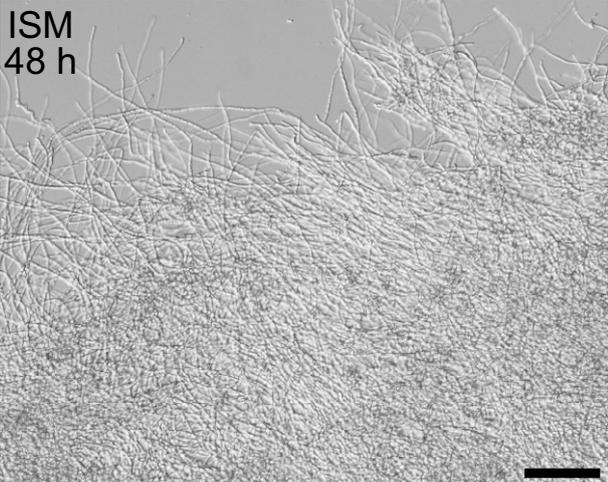
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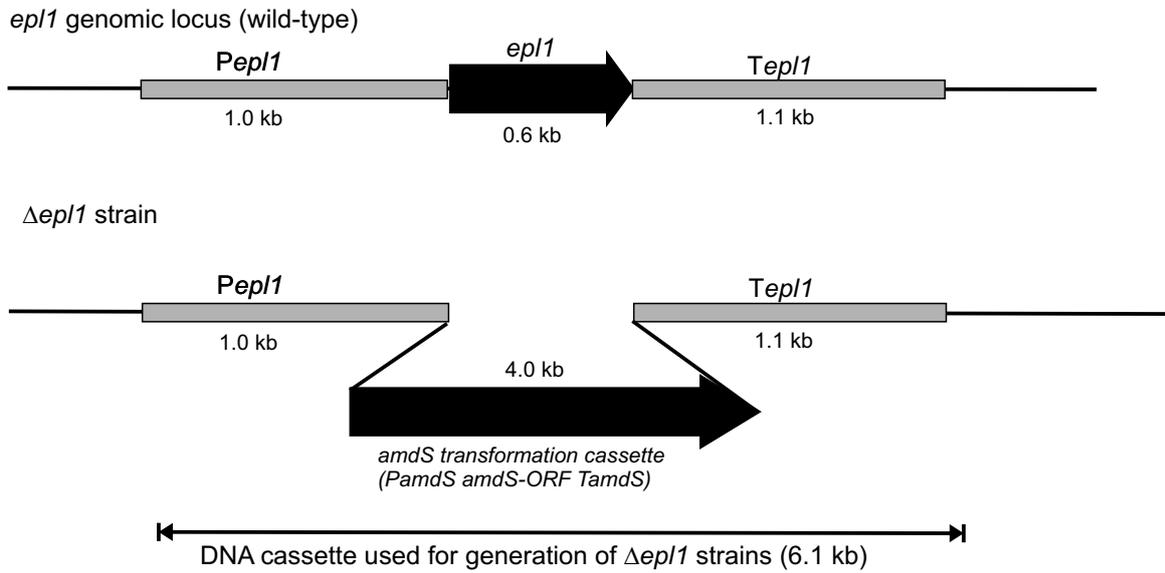
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*T. atroviride* WT

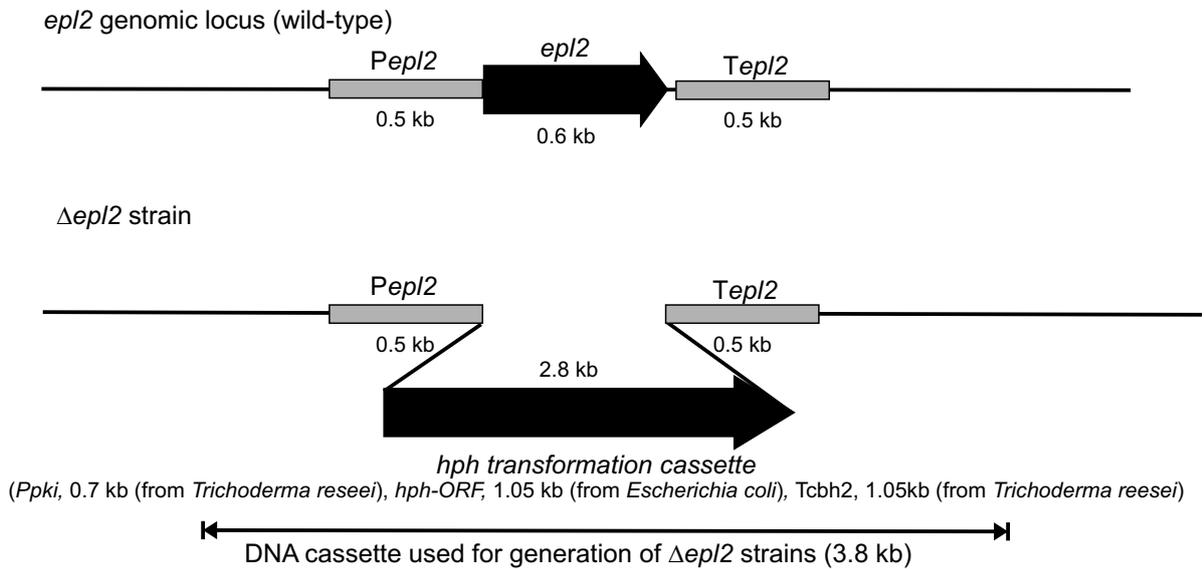


Suppl. Fig. 4. Genomic locus maps for the generation of (a)  $\Delta epl1$ , (b)  $\Delta epl2$  and (a + b)  $\Delta epl1\Delta epl2$  strains.

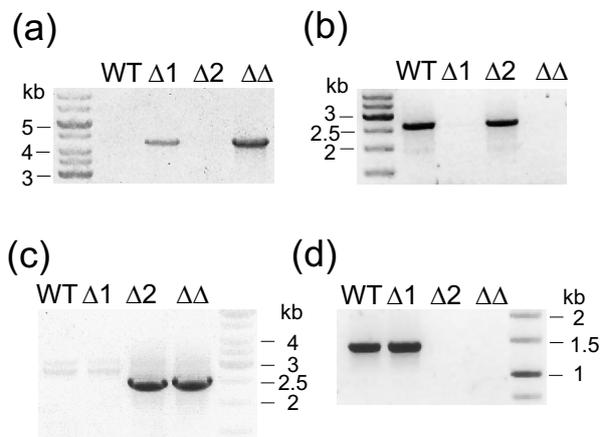
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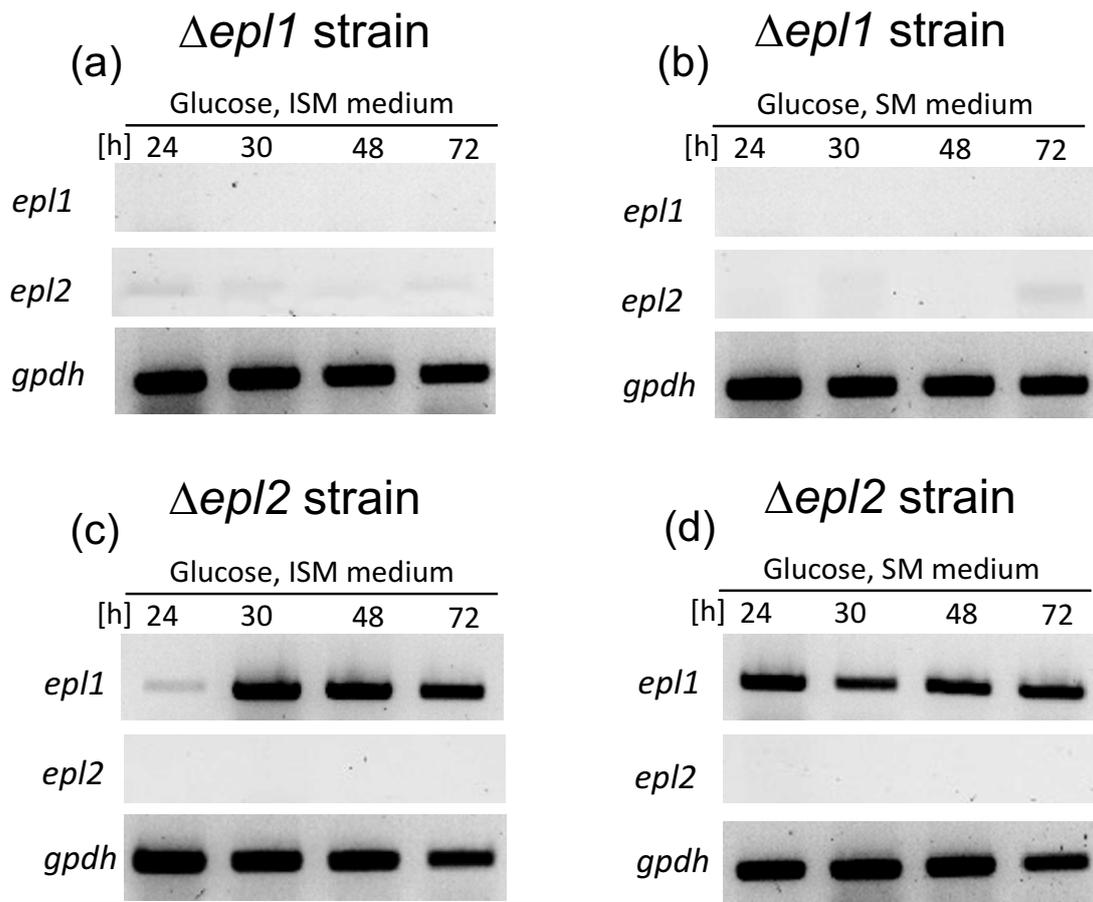
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Suppl. Fig. 5. Identification and verification of *epl1* and *epl2* single and double knockout strains. (a) Identification of *epl1* knockout strains using the primers 5/6 (Suppl. Table 1), yielding a PCR product with the size of 4.4 kb. (b) After purification, *epl1* knockout strains were further verified for the absence of the wild-type gene using the primers 1/4, yielding a 2.6 kb band for the wild-type locus. (c) For the *epl2* knockout locus fungal transformants were verified by PCR with the primers 11/12, yielding a 2.5 kb band. (d) Absence of the *epl2* gene was further verified with the primers 13/14, yielding a 1.5 kb band for the *epl2* wild-type locus.

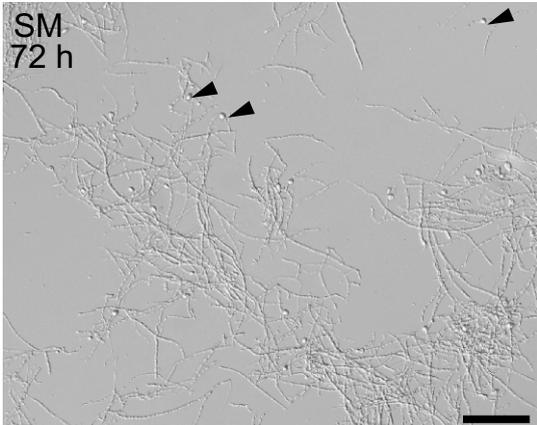
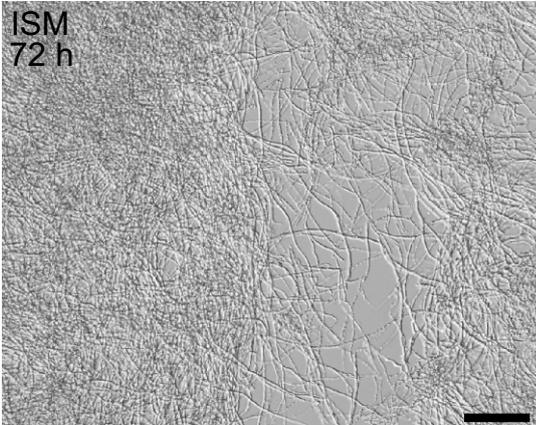
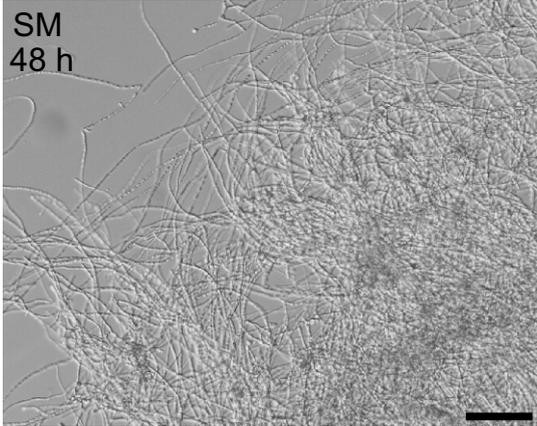
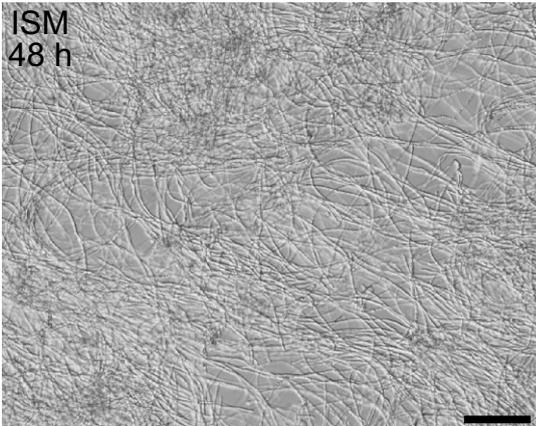


Suppl. Fig. 6. Gene expression analysis of *epl1* and *epl2* in  $\Delta epl1$  and  $\Delta epl2$  strains. RT-PCR analysis of the *epl1* and *epl2* from (a, c) shake flask cultivations in ISM medium with glucose as carbon source, (b, d) shake flask cultivations in SM medium with glucose as carbon source. Growth rates are slower on ISM medium than on SM medium, leading to different dynamics in biomass formation and hyphal development during the cultivation. The *gpdh*-gene was used as reference gene.

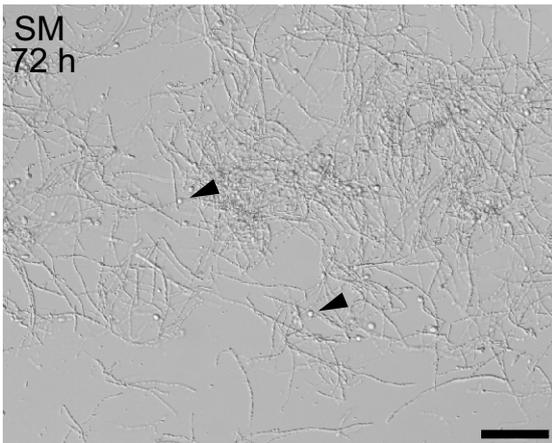
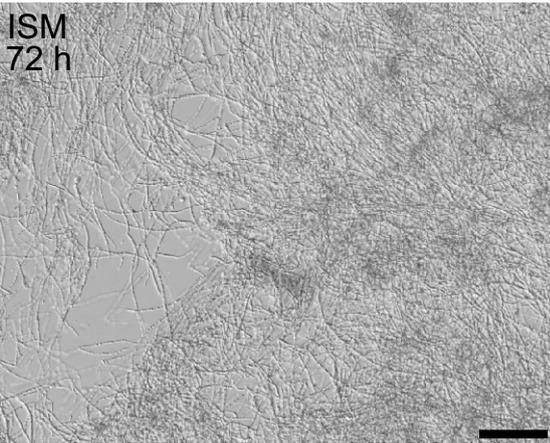
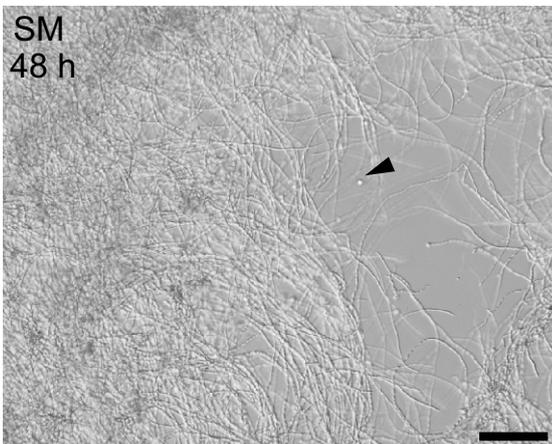
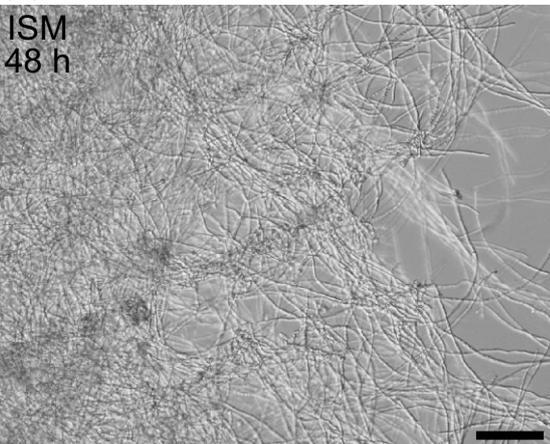


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(a) *T. atroviride*  $\Delta epl1$



(b) *T. atroviride*  $\Delta epl2$



(c) *T. atroviride*  $\Delta epl1\Delta epl2$

