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TITLE: Forward genetics screen coupled with whole-genome resequencing identifies novel gene targets for improving heterologous enzyme production in *Aspergillus niger*

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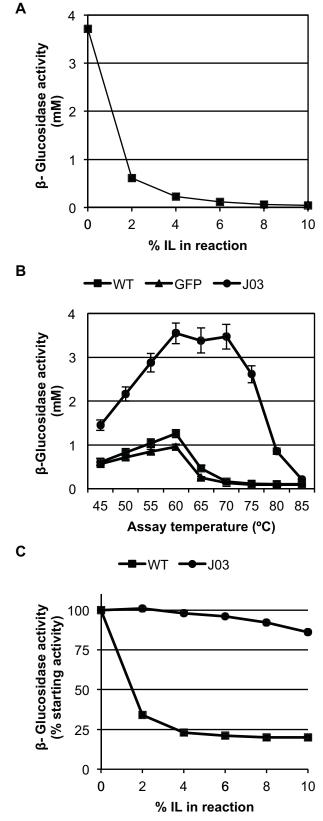


Fig. S1 β -Glucosidase activity assays. **(A)** β -Glucosidase activity of commercial *A. niger* glucosidase (Sigma 49291, 0.31 mg/mL). **(B)** β -Glucosidase activity in culture supernatants evaluated across temperature range. **(C)** β -Glucosidase activity at 65 °C determined across ionic liquid [C₂mim]OAc range.

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QGRTLEEVDTMYVLHVKPWQSASWVPPEGIVQDMHRPPSSSKQEGQAEMAEHTEPTELRE*

Fig. S2 The *mstC* locus and encoded protein. **(A)** Native genomic DNA: italicized lowercase text is 5' UTR 3' UTR sequence, lowercase text is intron sequence, and uppercase text is exon sequence. Mutations in the J03-derivative strains J03 1.1, J03 1.6, J03 1.7, J03 7.2, and J03 8.2, are indicated either by bold red text for a nucleotide point mutation from native guanine or underlined text indicating an insertion site between two bases. **(B)** Native amino acid sequence: mutations in the strains J03 1.1, J03 1.6, J03 1.7, J03 7.2, and J03 8.2, are indicated either by bold red text for an amino acid change resulting from nucleotide change or by underlined text for an insertion site between two amino acid residues.

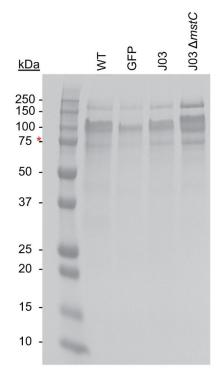


Fig. S3 Equal volumes of supernatant from CSL→HMM inducing cultures were loaded and separated by electrophoresis on 8-16% gradient polyacrylamide gels. Predicted molecular weight of J03 (~80 kDa) indicated with red *.

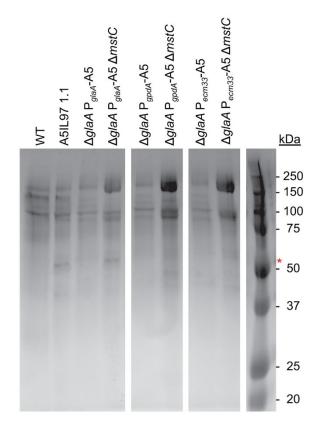


Fig. S4 Equal volumes of supernatant from CSL→HMM inducing cultures were loaded and separated by electrophoresis on 12% polyacrylamide gels. Predicted molecular weight of A5IL97 (~52 kDa) indicated with red *.