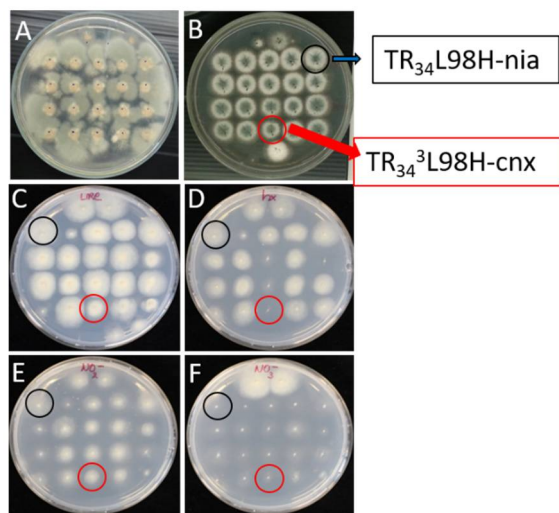


## Supplemental documents



**Figure S1.** Isolation and classification of nitrate non-utilising mutants based on resistance to chlorate. For TR<sub>34</sub>/L98H strain a *nia* (chlorate resistant, nitrate non-utilising, hypoxanthine and nitrite utilising) and for TR<sub>34</sub><sup>3</sup>/L98H a *cnx* (chlorate resistant, nitrate and hypoxanthine non-utilising, nitrite utilising) mutant was selected. A: Chlorate resistant mutants appear as sectors after UV radiation 60s (20 erg/mm<sup>2</sup>/sec). B: Master plate of putative chlorate resistant mutants (from top side) C-F: Growth test of colonies from the masterplate transferred to plates with respectively as single N-source: Urea, Hypoxanthine, Nitrite and Nitrate (photograph from back side).

**Table S1.** The characteristics of chlorate resistant *nia* and *cnx* mutants for their ability to utilise urea, hypoxanthine, nitrite and nitrate as sole N-source.

	N-source			
	Ure	Nitrite	Nitrate	Hypoxanthine
TR <sub>34</sub> L98H- <i>nia</i>	+*	+	-*	+
TR <sub>34</sub> <sup>3</sup> L98H- <i>cnx</i>	+	+	-	-

+: growth, -no growth

**Table S2.** The SNPs calling between the ancestor TR<sub>34</sub>/L98H (V30-40) and evolved isolate TR<sub>34</sub><sup>3</sup>/L98H. From left to right columns indicate **chromosome number** and **position** on reference genome (clinical strain AF293), **variant type** (ref allele / alternative allele), **genotype** calling (0=similar to reference, 1=alternative, in brackets: read depth of reference allele / read depth of alternative allele) for ancestor and **genotype** calling of evolved isolate (0=similar to reference, 1=alternative, in brackets: read depth of reference allele / read depth of alternative allele), **effect of variant** and amino acid substitution, **gene** and **function** of gene

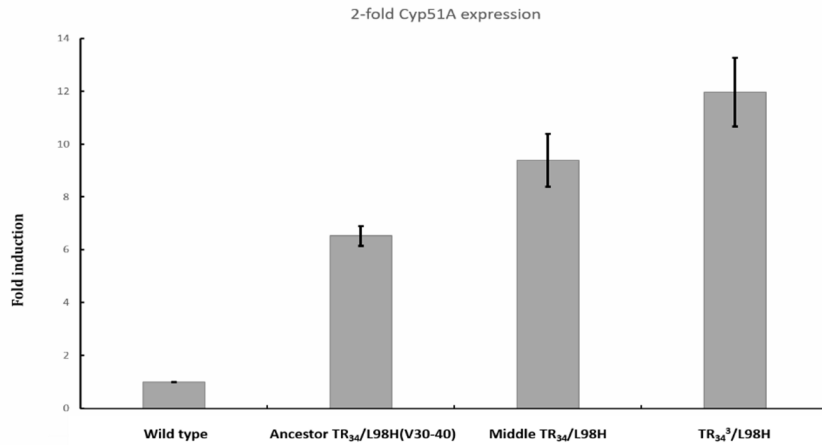
Chromosome number	Position	Variant type (change in nucleotide)	Genotype Clinical ancestor TR <sub>34</sub> /L98H (V30-40)	Genotype Evolved isolate TR <sub>34</sub> <sup>3</sup> /L98H	Effect of variant	Gene / Function
1	1971284-1971287	deletion TTCT / -	0 (31/0)	<b>1 (4/23)</b>	Glu314 Frameshift	AFUA_1G06920 Serine / threonine protein kinase/ may involve in growth
2	692713	Snp A / G	0 (51/0)	<b>1 (0/56)</b>	Non-synonymous Leu 147 Pro	AFUA_2G02690 AtrR transcription factor/ plays an essential role in regulating <i>cyp51A</i> expression
4	1560507	Snp C / T	0 (43/ 0)	<b>1 (0/38)</b>	Non-synonymous Leu 636 Phe	AFUA_5G06450 Vacuolar protein sorting protein DigA/ may involve in vacuole organization

**Table S3.** In vitro azole susceptibility profiles of TR<sub>34</sub>/L98H, Transient TR<sub>34</sub>/L98H and TR<sub>34</sub><sup>3</sup>/L98H

Isolate code	Type	MIC		
		ITR	VOR	POS
V30-40	Ancestor TR <sub>34</sub> /L98H(V30-40)	>16	4	0,5
V284-36	Transient TR <sub>34</sub> /L98H	>16	>16	>8
V284-37	TR <sub>34</sub> <sup>3</sup> /L98H	>16	>16	>8

A difference in resistance to VOR and POS between Transient TR<sub>34</sub>/L98H and its successor TR<sub>34</sub><sup>3</sup>/L98H cannot be detected in a MIC assay because both still grew at the highest concentrations of VOR and POS that can be applied.

Expression of *cyp51A* in the TR<sub>34</sub><sup>3</sup>/L98H isolate, was compared with that of the TR<sub>34</sub>/L98H ancestor, Transient TR<sub>34</sub>/L98H and a WT control isolate. Transient TR<sub>34</sub>/L98H harboured two SNPs: the AtrR mutation and another in protein PtaB (Table S4). The level of *cyp51A*-expression of the Transient TR<sub>34</sub>/L98H isolate was higher than that of the ancestor, but lower than that of TR<sub>34</sub><sup>3</sup>/L98H (Figure S1). These data suggest that the AtrR gene mutation alone could not cause the same expression level of *cyp51A* as TR<sub>34</sub><sup>3</sup>/L98H. Therefore, in the TR<sub>34</sub><sup>3</sup>/L98H, the 12-fold overexpression of *cyp51A* is likely the combined effect of the AtrR mutation and three copies of 34bp.



**Figure S2.** Expression of *cyp51A* in the TR<sub>34</sub><sup>3</sup>/L98H isolate, compared with ancestry isolates TR<sub>34</sub>/L98H and Transient TR<sub>34</sub>/L98H, and a WT control isolate.

**Table S4:** The gene mutations in TR<sub>34</sub><sup>3</sup>/L98H and Transient TR<sub>34</sub>/L98H isolate compared with the TR<sub>34</sub>/L98H (V30-40) ancestor.

	Mutations on gene / function compared to ancestor TR <sub>34</sub> /L98H			
Transient TR <sub>34</sub> /L98H		Non-synonymous AFUA_2G02690/ Leu 24 Pro  <b>AtrR</b> transcription factor/ plays an essential role in regulating <i>cyp51A</i> expression		Non-synonymous AFUA_1G06920 <b>PtaB</b> protein Ser 390 Phe, a lim-domain binding protein in <i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i> which regulates biofilm formation and conidiation through distinct pathways
Evolved TR <sub>34</sub> <sup>3</sup> /L98H	Non-synonymous AFUA_5G06450/ Leu 636 Phe  <b>Vacuolar protein</b> sorting protein DigA/ may involve in vacuole organization	Non-synonymous AFUA_2G02690/ Leu 24 Pro  <b>AtrR</b> transcription factor/ plays an essential role in regulating <i>cyp51A</i> expression	Glu 314 Frameshift, AFUA_1G06920  <b>Serine / threonine protein kinase/</b> may involve in growth	