

Supplementary Information for

"Dual-purpose isocyanides produced by Aspergillus fumigatus contribute to cellular copper sufficiency and exhibit antimicrobial activity"

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Supplementary Information Text

Materials and Methods

Mutant construction

Double-joint PCR was used to generate DNA constructs for transformation described previously (1). DNA constructs containing the *pyrG* or *argB* selectable marker fused to 1 kB homologous regions flanking the gene of interest that insert via homologous recombination. Flanks were amplified with 20 bp overlaps using primers designed using SeqBuilder (DNASTAR, Madison, WI). Selectable markers were amplified from either the pJW24 (*pyrG*) (2) or pJMP4 (*argB*) (3) plasmids. Deletion mutants were constructed by whole-gene deletion and overexpression mutants were created by inserting a constitutively active A. nidulans gpdA promoter upstream of the ATG translation start site of a gene. The DNA constructs were transformed into the pyrG auxotroph TFYL 80.1 via PEG transformation described previously (1). For double mutants, the double auxotroph TFYL 44.1 (*pyrG*⁻ and *argB*⁻) was first transformed with either the overexpression or deletion xanC construct and upon successful transformation, further transformed with a DNA deletion construct containing the *argB* marker. Resulting transformants were then screened via PCR using the 5' forward flank and the marker reverse primer. Positive mutants were further screened via southern blot analysis using P-32 labelled 1 kB flanking regions described previously to confirm single integrations (Figure S8).

Fungal Growth Conditions and Physiological Assays

Unless otherwise specified, *Aspergillus* strains were grown on glucose minimal medium (GMM)(4). *Aspergillus* strains were activated by streaking out on a plate of GMM from a glycerol stock. Spore stocks were generated by harvesting spores using 0.01% Tween 20 in ddH₂O and gentle scrubbing using a L-shaped spreader. Spores were then filtered through sterile MiraCloth (Calbiochem) to remove debris and washed twice with Millipore-filtered water. Spore stocks were counted using a hemocytometer and diluted to the desired concentration. *Cryptococcus neformans* H99 was grown on minimal media (15 mM D-glucose, 10 mM MgSO₄, 29.4 mM KH₂PO₄, 13 mM glycine, 3 µM thiamine, and 1.5% (w/v) agar, pH 5.5) with 1 mM L-DOPA to induce melanization (Cayman Chemical) where

indicated. For testing response to varying levels of copper, GMM was prepared as described previously (5) without copper or EDTA. After autoclaving, copper or BCS was supplemented. Plates were inoculated with 2 μ l of spore suspension and the plates grown at 37 °C for 72 hours. For liquid shake cultures, 50 ml of GMM was inoculated with 1x10⁶ spores/ml and incubated at 37 °C, shaking at 250 rpm for 48 hours. Lyophilized mycelia were obtained by filtering cultures through MiraCloth, freezing in liquid nitrogen, and lyophilizing overnight. For sporulation assay, strains were suspended in 10 ml molten GMM and overlayed onto a plate of GMM. An agar plug was transferred to a solution of 0.01% Tween and homogenized. Samples were then diluted and spores were enumerated using a hemocytometer.

RNA Extraction and Quantitative RT-PCR

Liquid shake cultures were inoculated with 1×10^6 spores/ml of wild type *A. fumigatus* and allowed to incubate at 37°C for 24 hours shaking at 250 rpm. Hydrogen peroxide was added to a final concentration of 6 mM and were allowed to continue incubate for an additional 3 hours. Total culture mycelia was then flash-frozen in liquid nitrogen and lyophilized. RNA was extracted using the QIAzol Lysis Reagent (Qiagen). RNA was then subjected to a DNase I digestion (New England Biolabs) and reverse-transcribed using iScript cDNA synthesis kit (Biorad). Semi-quantitative PCR was performed by amplifying the gene of interest via designed primers (Table S5) and using *A. fumigatus* actin as a loading control.

Chrome Azurol S Assay

Chrome azurol S (CAS) assay plates were made by adding 5 mL of sterile phosphate buffer (26 g/L KH₂PO₄ and 62 g/L Na₂HPO₄ – 7H₂O) and 100 ml of 10x CAS (0.5 mM CuSO₄, 0.5025 mM Chrome Azurol S (Sigma-Aldrich), 1.05 mM HDTMA) to 1 L of molten GMM. Upon solidifying, a sterile razor was used to remove half of the CAS media. 10 ml of warm molten GMM was then inoculated with 1×10^7 spores and poured into the vacant space. The plates were then allowed to solidify and incubated for 5 days at 37 °C in the dark. The zone of activity was quantified by measuring the distance between the growing mycelia and the edge of the Cu-CAS complex with a ruler.

Laccase Activity Assay

Approximately 1×10^7 spores were inoculated on small plates of GMM for 48 hours at 37°C in the dark. 2,2'-azino-bis(3-ethylbenzothiazoline)-6-sulphonic acid (ABTS) (Sigma-Aldrich) stock solution was prepared by dissolving ABTS in 0.1 M sodium acetate buffer (pH 4.5). Plates were flushed with 10 ml of 1 mM ABTS and incubated at ambient temperature for 24 hours. 200 µl aliquots of supernatant were transferred to a 96-well plate and measured the absorbance at 420 nm. Data were quantified and normalized to the negative control, uninoculated plates with the appropriate level of copper, flushed, and incubated with 1 mM ABTS.

Metabolite Extraction

Strains were grown as an overlay culture, inoculating 10 ml of warm, molten GMM (containing 8 g/L agar) with 1x10⁶ spores and pouring onto a plate containing 20 ml of solidified GMM. Upon solidification, the plates were then incubated for 5 days at 37 °C. The plates were frozen using liquid nitrogen and lyophilized. The lyophilized samples were extracted with 20 ml of ethyl acetate-methanol (9:1) for 1.5 h with vigorous stirring. Extracts were filtered over cotton, evaporated to dryness, and stored in 4-ml vials. Crude extracts were suspended in 0.5 ml of methanol and centrifuged to remove insoluble materials, and the supernatant was analyzed by UHPLC-HRMS.

HPLC-HRMS Analytical Methods and Equipment Overview

High-resolution HPLC-MS (HPLC-HRMS) was performed on a ThermoScientific-Dionex Ultimate 3000 UHPLC system equipped with a diode array detector and connected to a ThermoScientific Q Exactive Orbitrap mass spectrometer operated in electrospray positive (ESI⁺) or electrospray negative (ESI⁻) ionization mode. An Agilent Zorbax RRHD Eclipse XDB-C18 column ($2.1 \times 100 \text{ mm}$, $1.8 \mu \text{m}$ particle diameter) was used with acetonitrile (organic phase) and 0.1% formic acid in water (aqueous phase) as solvents at a flow rate of 0.5 mL/min. A solvent gradient scheme was used, starting at 2% organic for 1 min, followed by a linear increase to 100% organic over 14 min, holding at 100% organic for 2.5 min, decreasing back to 2% organic for 0.1 min and holding at 2% organic for the final 1.4 min, for a total of 18 min.

ICP-MS

The spores and mycelia were analyzed by ICP-MS after acid digestion.100 μ l of concentrated trace metal grade nitric acid, 50 μ l of 18 M Ω water and 25 ul of 500 ng/ml of scandium used as internal standard solution were added to the samples in a metal free 5 ml conical vial. After the digestion was carried out in a heating block at 90 °C for 2 hours with venting every 20 minutes. The samples were brought to 2.5 ml with 18 M Ω water. The samples were then analyzed for total Cu content in an Agilent 7500 ICP-MS system with a Cetac ASX-520 auto sampler contained in an acrylic box. The ICP-MS system was configured with a Micromist nebulizer, a double pass Scott spray chamber held at 2 °C, a 2.5 mm torch with platinum shield torch, and nickel sample and skimmer cones. The instrument was run with 3.5 ml/min of helium in energy discrimination mode. The external calibration method was used with a calibration range of 0.05 to 25 ng/ml. The mass of the samples (200-800 µg) needed for the quantification of Cu was calculated by measuring the phosphorous content in the digested samples according to (6).

Total Synthesis of Xanthocillin

Synthetic xanthocillin was prepared in 10 steps from commercially available 4hydroxybenzaldehyde by following the approach developed by Tatsuta and co-workers (7). The NMR and HRMS data of the synthetic sample (Figure S7) match with the reported ones. Pure synthetic xanthocillin sample was obtained after column chromatorgraphy for the corresponding biological evaluations.

Xanthocillin synthesis

To a solution of xanthocillin silly ether (prepared using the reported approach;⁷ 12 mg, 0.023 mmol) in THF (1 mL) at 0 °C under an atmosphere of argon was added TBAF/AcOH (90 uL, 1: 1/mol: mol, 0.09 mmol, premixed) dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min and then warm up to room temperature for 10 min. The reaction mixture was purified as it was by column chromatography (silica gel, 10-35% EtOAc in hexane) to provide xanthocillin (5 mg, 76% yield) as a yellow solid. R_f = 0.27 (33% EtOAc in hexane); IR (film) 3275, 2131, 1593, 1515, 1434, cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.73 (d,

J=8.5, 4H), 7.00 (s, 2H), 6.88 (d, *J*=8.5, 4H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 174.6, 161.0, 133.0, 128.7, 125.0, 116.9, 116.7; HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₈H₁₃N₂O₂ (M+H)⁺ 289.0977, found 289.0972. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of synthetic xanthocillin were recorded on a 500 MHz NMR spectrometer in CD₃OD, with residual CH₃OH signal(s) as the internal reference. Chemical shifts are reported as δ values (ppm). The solvent peaks are set as follows: CH₃OH at δ 3.31 and δ 49.0 ppm for ¹H and ¹³C NMR. Chemical shifts are reported as follows: s = singlet, d = doublet. IR spectra were taken on an FT-IR spectrophotometer. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were measured by the \Box ESI method. Silica gel was used for flash column chromatography with mixed ethyl acetate (EtOAc) and hexane as the eluting solvents. Yields refer to chromatographically and spectroscopically (¹H NMR) homogeneous materials. Anhydrous THF was freshly distilled from sodium benzophenone ketyl under argon. Other reagents were obtained commercially and used as received.

Cocultures and Growth Conditions

Candida albicans, Staphylococcus aureus, Salmonella enterica, Pseudomonas aeruginosa (PAK), and Pseudomonas aeruginosa (PAO1) were activated from glycerol stock onto plates of lysogeny broth (LB) or yeast peptone dextrose (YPD), streaking for single colonies. A single colony was then selected and inoculated into 5 ml of liquid LB or YPD, shaking at 37 °C overnight. Coculture experiments were performed by transferring GMM agar plugs of an actively growing overlay fungal culture to solid LB containing 16 g/L agar. An overlay of the bacteria/fungi was generated by suspending microorganisms to a final O.D.₆₀₀ of 0.05 in 10 ml of molten top agar and dispensing onto the LB containing the agar plugs. The plates were then incubated overnight at either 37 °C in the case of the bacterial strains or 30 °C in the case of the Candida albicans. Zones of inhibition were visually evaluated to determine inhibition of growth. For cocultures involving Aspergillus nidulans, GMM containing various levels of copper was inoculated with 1x10⁷ spores of A. nidulans and preincubated for one day at 37 °C. The plates were then inoculated with 1×10^7 spores of the *xan* mutant strains and incubated for an additional three days at 37 °C. For 96-well plate assays, overnight cultures were diluted to an O.D.₆₀₀ of 0.05 in liquid LB and 190 µl was dispensed into a well containing 10 µl of the corresponding extract/xanthocillin. The plate was then incubated at 37 °C. Growth was tracked by checking the O.D.₆₀₀ at 48 hours. For assays involving the addition of metals, filter-sterilized 1000x stocks were diluted in LB prior to dispensing into 96-well plates.



Figure S1 – Biosynthetic pathways of DHN-melanin in *A. fumigatus*.



Figure S2- CAS assay for detection of secreted copper-binding molecules. Displayed are representative images of the CAS assay results. Measured distances of the zone of activity are indicated. Zone of activity is defined as the distance between the edge of the growing mycelia and the CAS-Cu complex.



Figure S3- Cocultures of *xan* double mutants with A.) *Aspergillus nidulans*, B.) *Aspergillus flavus*, and C.) *Cryptococcus neoformans* H99.



Figure S4 – *xan* mutant antimicrobial assay. Agar plugs of actively growing *xanC* mutants were transferred to a plate of lysogeny agar containing the indicated microbe (Top of figure) and supplemented with copper (Left of figure). Per-plate: Top left- WT, top right - OE::*xanC*, bottom left $\Delta xanC$, bottom right- negative control (GMM).



Figure S5 – *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* PAO1challenged with *xan* mutant extracts. A.) Heat map indicating the relative growth of *P. aeruginosa* when challenged with crude extract (x-axis) and supplemented with copper (y-axis). Wild type, OE::*xanC* extract, or negative control is indicated at the bottom of the map. B.) Response of *P. aeruginosa* challenged with OE::*xanC* extract and supplemented with metals. Shown is the mean of three replicates with the SEM indicated by the error bars.



Figure S6- *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* PAO1 challenged with xanthocillin derivatives (256 μ g/ml). Numbers are associated with the compounds in Figure 2. Shown is the mean of three technical replicates with the SEM indicated by the error bars. Statistical analysis was performed using an ANOVA. **P<0.01, ****P<0.0001.



Figure S7- Semi-quantitative PCR of actin control (*act1*) (left) and *xanB* (right) in the indicated conditions. From left to right, samples were performed in duplicate wild type, $\Delta xanC$, OE::*xanC*. The *xanB* +H₂O₂/+Cu condition contains an additional genomic DNA positive control and negative control.



Figure S8- 1H and 13C NMR spectra of synthetic xanthocillin.



Figure S9- Southern Blot Confirmation analysis of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanA$, OE:: $xanC\Delta xanD$, OE:: $xanC\Delta xanE$ mutants used in this study. A.) Southern blot analysis of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanD$ mutant. B.) Digestion strategy of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanD$ mutant carried out with the designated restriction enzymes. C.) Southern blot analysis of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanA$ mutant. D.) Digestion strategy of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanA$ mutant carried out with the designated restriction enzymes. E.) Southern blot analysis of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanE$ mutant. B.) Digestion strategy of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanA$ mutant carried out with the designated restriction enzymes. E.) Southern blot analysis of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanE$ mutant. B.) Digestion strategy of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanA$ mutant carried out with the designated restriction enzymes. E.) Southern blot analysis of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanE$ mutant. B.) Digestion strategy of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanA$ mutant carried out with the designated restriction enzymes. E.) Southern blot analysis of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanE$ mutant. B.) Digestion strategy of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanA$ mutant carried out with the designated restriction enzymes. E.) Southern blot analysis of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanE$ mutant. B.) Digestion strategy of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanE$ mutant carried out with the designate restriction enzymes.



Figure S10- Southern Blot Confirmation analysis of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanF$ and OE:: $xanC\Delta xanG$ mutants used in this study. A.) Southern blot analysis of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanF$ mutant. B.) Digestion strategy of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanF$ mutant carried out with the designated restriction enzymes. C.) Southern blot analysis of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanG$ mutant. D.) Digestion strategy of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanG$ mutant carried out with the designated restriction enzymes.



Figure S11- Southern Blot Confirmation analysis of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanB$ and OE:: $xanC\Delta argB$ mutants used in this study. A.) Southern blot analysis of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanB$ mutant. B.) Digestion strategy of the OE:: $xanC\Delta xanB$ mutant carried out with the designated restriction enzymes. C.) Southern blot analysis of the OE:: $xanC\Delta argB$ mutant. D.) Digestion strategy of the OE:: $xanC\Delta argB$ mutant carried out with the designated restriction enzymes. C.)

strain	Dehydroge nated form yl tyrosine (3)	BU-4704 ^a (5)	Xanthocilli n X mono methyl eth er ^a (6)	Fumiforma mide (7)	<i>N</i> , <i>N</i> -((1Z,3Z)- 1,4-bis(4-met hoxyphenyl)b uta-1,3-diene- 2,3-diyl)difor mamide (8)	Melanocin E (9)	Melanocin F (10)
WT	8.3E5 ±	2.4E9 ±	2.0E8 ±	3.2E6 ±	2.6E7 ±	5.3E5 ±	2.0E7 ±
	1.3E5	4.4E8	4.5E7	1.3E6	8.5E6	2.6E5	1.5E6
OE::xan	2.5E6 ±	$1.3E10 \pm$	1.9E8 ±	5.0E9 ±	2.7E9 ±	4.1E8 ±	3.3E9 ±
С	2.3E5	7.6E8	1.3E7	1.4E8	1.3E8	2.7E7	6.5E7
OE::xan	1.1E6 ±	5.0E9 ±	1.3E8 ±	5.2E9 ±	1.8E9 ±	5.7E8 ±	2.3E9 ±
$C \square xanA$	1.4E5	9.1E8	3.5E7	9.4E8	1.8E8	1.2E8	1.1E8
OE:: <i>xan</i> C□xanB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OE::xan	1.0E7 ±	9.3E9 ±	2.2E8 ±	5.8E9 ±	2.3E9 ±	9.1E8 ±	2.6E9 ±
$C\square$ xan D	1.8E6	9.0E8	3.3E7	7.8E8	7.2E7	1.7E8	5.7E7
OE::xan	1.8E8 ±	6.6E6 ±	8.7E4 ±	1.3E6 ±	2.6E7 ±	0	1.4E7 ±
$C \square xan E$	8.0E7	3.1E6	1.4E4	1.7E5	1.3E6		1.0E6
OE::xan	4.6E6 ±	2.2E9 ±	6.5E7 ±	1.5E9 ±	2.3E9 ±	3.0E7 ±	1.2E9 ±
$C \square xanF$	5.5E5	3.1E8	6.3E6	4.0E8	2.2E8	5.0E6	9.9E7
OE:: <i>xan</i> <i>C□xanG</i>	1.8E8 ± 6.2E7	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table S1- Production of xanthocillin derivatives comparing the OE::xanC mutants to deletion strains and WT.

^aThese compounds have an isocyanide functional group. ^bThe numbers indicate the average \pm standard deviation for the peak intensity of each compound

Compound	HRESI(+/-) observed (m/z)	Ion	Calculated ion formula	Calculated <i>m/z</i>	Retention time (min)
Dehydrogenated formyl tyrosine (3)	230.04240	[M+Na] ⁺	C ₁₀ H ₉ O ₄ NNa ⁺	230.04238	3.7

Compoun	Ferricrocin	Hydroxyferri	Hydroxyl-ter	Gliotoxin ^a	Dimethyl glio	Fumagillin
ds		crocin	ezine D		toxin	
WT	6.8E7 ±	4.5E7 ±	1.9E8 ±	2.4E5 ±	1.1E7 ±	1.0E9 ±
	7.1E6	5.2E6	3.1E7	1.7E5	7.2E6	2.0E8
OE::xanC	$1.4\text{E8} \pm$	5.8E7 ±	1.2E8 ±	0	0	3.5E8 ±
	6.4E6	4.6E6	6.8E6			2.7E7
OE::xanC	1.5E8 ±	4.5E7 ±	1.6E8 ±	0	0	3.7E8 ±
$\Box xanA$	2.9E6	2.3E6	2.4E7			3.3E7
OE::xanC	1.6E8 ±	3.2E7 ±	7.7E7 ±	0	0	5.0E8 ±
$\Box xanB$	1.3E7	3.9E6	1.0E7			1.4E7
OE::xanC	1.6E8 ±	4.5E7 ±	1.4E8 ±	0	0	3.7E8 ±
\Box xanD	1.3E7	9.0E8	1.4E7			5.2E7
OE::xanC	1.0E8 ±	4.0E7 ±	1.0E8 ±	0	0	2.9E8 ±
$\Box xanE$	5.0E6	4.6E5	3.2E6			1.0E6
OE::xanC	1.2E8 ±	5.5E7 ±	7.9E7 ±	0	0	1.7E8 ±
$\Box xanF$	6.7E6	2.0E6	8.3E6			2.0E7
OE::xanC	8.2E7 ±	2.2E7 ±	1.4E8 ±	0	0	3.4E8 ±
$\Box xanG$	5.1E6	1.1E6	8.3E6			5.2E6
Compoun	Pyripyropene	Fumigaclavin	Fumigaclavin	Fumitremorgi	Fumiquinazol	Fumiquinazol
Compoun ds-	Pyripyropene A	Fumigaclavin e A	Fumigaclavin e C	Fumitremorgi n C	Fumiquinazol ine F	Fumiquinazol ine H
Compoun ds- continued	Pyripyropene A	Fumigaclavin e A	Fumigaclavin e C	Fumitremorgi n C	Fumiquinazol ine F	Fumiquinazol ine H
Compoun ds- continued WT	Pyripyropene A 7.1E5 ±	Fumigaclavin e A 5.2E9 ±	Fumigaclavin e C 3.6E10 ±	Fumitremorgi n C 2.7E7 ±	Fumiquinazol ine F 1.0E9 ±	Fumiquinazol ine H 1.1E6 ±
Compoun ds- continued WT	Pyripyropene A 7.1E5 ± 2.5E5	Fumigaclavin e A 5.2E9 ± 8.3E8	Fumigaclavin e C 3.6E10 ± 6.6E9	Fumitremorgi n C 2.7E7 ± 2.6E6	Fumiquinazol ine F 1.0E9 ± 1.7E8	Fumiquinazol ine H 1.1E6 ± 5.3E5
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Table S3. Production of various fungal secondary metabolites in the OE::*xanC* mutant compared to deletion strains and wild type.

^a Although there was no gliotoxin in *xan* strains, the very low amount detected in the wild type makes it difficult to determine if this is a significant difference or if there is negative regulation by XanC.

Strain	Brief Genotype	Genotype	Reference
TFYL 81.5	WT	pyrG1, argB1, fumiargB, fumipyrG, ΔakuA::mluc	Throckmorton 2016
TFYL 84.1	∆argB	pyrG1, argB1, fumipyrG, ∆akuA∷mluc	Lim 2018
TFYL 80.1	ΔpyrG	pyrG1, argB1, fumiargB, ∆akuA∷mluc	Lim 2018
TFYL 45.1	∆pyrG∆argB	pyrG1, argB1, ∆akuA∷mluc	Throckmorton 2016
TNLR 11.3	OE∷xanC∆argB	pyrG1, argB1, parapyrG∷gpdA(p)∷AFUA_5G02655; ∆akuA∷mluc	This Study
TNLR 9.1	ΔxanC	pyrG1, argB1, fumiargB, ∆AFUA_5G02655::parapyrG; ∆akuA::mluc	Lim 2018
TNLR 1.2	OE::xanC	pyrG1, argB1, fumiargB, parapyrG::gpdA(p)::AFUA_5G02655; ΔakuA::mluc	Lim 2018
TNLR 12.1	OE::xanC∆xanA	pyrG1, argB1, parapyrG::gpdA(p)::AFUA_5G02655; ∆AFUA_5G02670::fumiargB; ∆akuA::mluc	This Study
TNLR 13.2	OE∷xanC∆xanB	pyrG1, argB1, parapyrG∷gpdA(p)::AFUA_5G02655; ∆AFUA_5G02660::fumiargB;∆akuA::mluc	This Study
TNLR 20.5	OE∷xanC∆xanD	pyrG1, argB1, parapyrG::gpdA(p)::AFUA_5G02655; ΔAFUA_5G02650::fumiargB; ΔakuA::mluc	This Study
TNLR 17.5	OE::xanC∆xanE	pyrG1, argB1, parapyrG::gpdA(p)::AFUA_5G02655; ∆AFUA_5G02640::fumiargB;∆akuA::mluc	This Study
TNLR 18.6	OE::xanC∆xanF	pyrG1, argB1, parapyrG::gpdA(p)::AFUA_5G02655; ΔAFUA_5G02630::fumiargB; ΔakuA::mluc	This Study
TNLR 19.2	OE∷xanC∆xanG	pyrG1, argB1, parapyrG∷gpdA(p)::AFUA_5G02655; ∆AFUA_5G02620::fumiargB;∆akuA::mluc	This Study

Table S4- A. fumigatus strains used in this study.

Supplemental Table S5- Primers used to generate fungal strains.

Strain/Gene	Sequence	Primer ID
TNLR 11.3 OE∷ <i>xanC∆argB</i>	GTGAGCCTCGTAGCCATACC TGCAGGATGCTTGTCTATGG CGCCCTATAGTGAGTCGTATTACGCGCTGCTGATAATGGCCTTT CGCTTGAGCAGACATCACCATGCATTCACAGACTACAAAGGACGAGC AACGATGACGACTGTGAAGG CTCAAAGCATCATGGACTGG	NR 6550E 5'F FOR NR 6550E NEST FOR NR 6550E 5'F REV NR 6550E 3'F FOR NR 6550E NEST REV NR 6550E 3'F REV
ΓNLR 12.1 DE∷xanC∆xanA	AATTTGTCTTGGATGCAGACCGCGTTCGGTGAACAATCTCTCGCCT CGGCTTCAAGCTTTCAGGAACG TCAAATGGATGTATGGGTCTCTCCTTCGGGATCTCCCAAAGAGGCGAT CCGAGGGTGACTTCGTCCTATC GCCTCCTAGCACCATTGGGTTG CCGTCGGTATGCACGGTTTT	NR dxanA 5' REV NR dxanA 5' FOR C NR dxanA 3' FOR NR dxanA 3' REV NR dxanA NEST FOR NR dxanA NEST REV
TNLR 13.2 OE∷xanC∆xanB	GGAGTGAGCAGCTGCTTGGA CCCTTGATATGTCGGCATTCA CTTGGATGCAGACCGCGTTCGAGGCCAGACATAGTGAGG CCTTCAAGGGCGAATTCTGCAGATGCCTTGTGCTCAGAGGGACT CGTGCTGTAGTCTACTCAACCAG GGAACGTCTCCTCCAACC TC	NR dxanB 5' FOR NR dxanB NEST FOR NR dxanB 5' REV NR dxanB 3' FOR NR dxanB NEST REV NR dxanB 3' REV
ΓNLR 20.5 ⊃E∷ <i>xanC∆xanD</i>	GGGGTATGGCTACGAGGCTC GGCGCGGCTGGAAGAATATT CTTGGATGCAGACCGCGTTCTGTGACTGCTTGGAGCCTGG AAGGGCGAATTCTGCAGATCGAATGGCTCAGCAACTGCG CCGCTAGATGTGACGATGGA GCGTGGTCTTGTAAGGTGGAC	NR dxanD 5' FOR NR dxanD NEST FOR NR dxanD 5' REV NR dxanD 3' FOR NR dxanD NEST REV NR dxanD 5' REV
TNLR 17.5 DE∷xanC∆xanE	CATCCCAAGTCAGCAAATCC AAGTCATCGCGAAGTGTAGC CTTGGATGCAGACCGCGTTCTCAGCATTGGTCGTAACTCG AAGGGCGAATTCTGCAGATGCAGTTGCTGAGACCATTCG GTCTCGCCATCTCTGTCTGC GCAGCCATATTTGTCTGTGG	NR dxanE 5' FOR NR dxanE NEST FOR NR dxanE 5' REV NR dxanE 3' FOR NR dxanE NEST REV NR dxanE 3' REV
TNLR 18.6 ⊃E∷ <i>xanC∆xanF</i>	CGGGAAAATTGAAGAACAGC CACAGACTGGATGGCTTCG CTTGGATGCAGACCGCGTTCAGACGTCGATTTGGTTACGG AAGGGCGAATTCTGCAGATCGCCGAGATTTTGATAAAGG TCGCTCTGAGTGTTGTCAGC AGGAACTGCAACGACACTCC	NR dxanF 5' FOR NR dxanF NEST FOR NR dxanF 5' REV NR dxanF 3' FOR NR dxanF NEST REV NR dxanF 3' REV
TNLR 19.2 DE∷ <i>xanC∆xanG</i>	CTGTGGAATCCAATCCAACC CTGCAGCTCTCTTTCCAACC CTTGGATGCAGACCGCGTTCTCAGTGATGGGTGCAGTAGC AAGGGCGAATTCTGCAGATGAGCGAGGTCAAGGAGAGC CATGCTCTGCTTCTTTGACC GCAGCGAATTAACGTCAGC	NR dxanG 5' FOR NR dxanG NEST FOR NR dxanG 5' REV NR dxanG 3' FOR NR dxanG NEST REV NR dxanG 3' REV
xanB	CCATTGAGCGAAGTTGATCG TCGATGACTTTCAGGACAGC	NR xanB semiq FOR NR xanB semiq REV
act1	CTTCCAGCCTAGCGTTCT GTACATGGTGGTACCACCAG	MN_act1_FOR MN_act1_REV

Table S2. Primers used in this study

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