

## **High-density culture of** mutant filamentous fungi

For mass fermentative production of useful substances!

#### **Overiview**

Filamentous fungi have an advantage to produce a wide variety of useful substances in industry. However, it is wellknown that hyphal aggregation during the liquid culture often prevents fungi to grow with high density, resulting in low productivity of useful substances.

This invention discloses a mutant strain of a filamentous fungi, in which  $\alpha$ -1,3-glucan synthase (AGS) gene is deficient, for high productivity of substances.

The  $\alpha$ -1,3-glucan in the cell wall in AGS deficient mutant  $(AG\Delta)$  is significantly reduced. The AG $\Delta$  cells are dispersed well in a liquid medium and cultured with higher density compared with that of wild type. Such phenotype of AGA results in an increasing productivity of useful substances per unit.

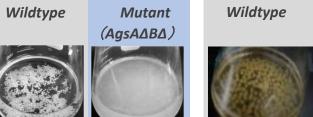
#### **Product Application**

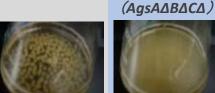
- Production of functional Proteins/peptides like enzymes
- Production of small molecules with biological activities like amino acids, antibiotics, etc..
- □ Application of cultured/increased fungi biomass like meat alternative

#### **IP** data

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#### A. nidulans



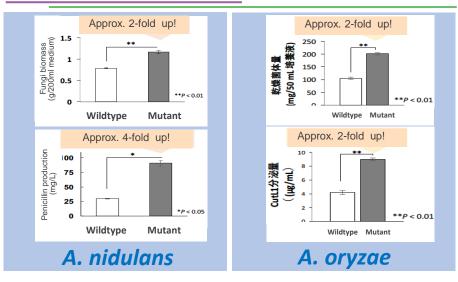


A. orizae



**Mutant** 

#### Enhanced biomass/productivity after culture



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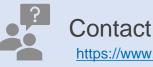
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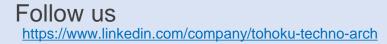




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