

Figure S1. Construction of the MoMal3 knockout mutant

(A), Schematic representation of the recombination event involved in the targeted replacement of *MoMal3*. (B), PCR identification of the knockout mutant using the primers indicated in (A). Lanes 1, 2, and 3 indicate the *MoMal3-1*, *MoMal3-2* mutant and the WT strain, respectively.

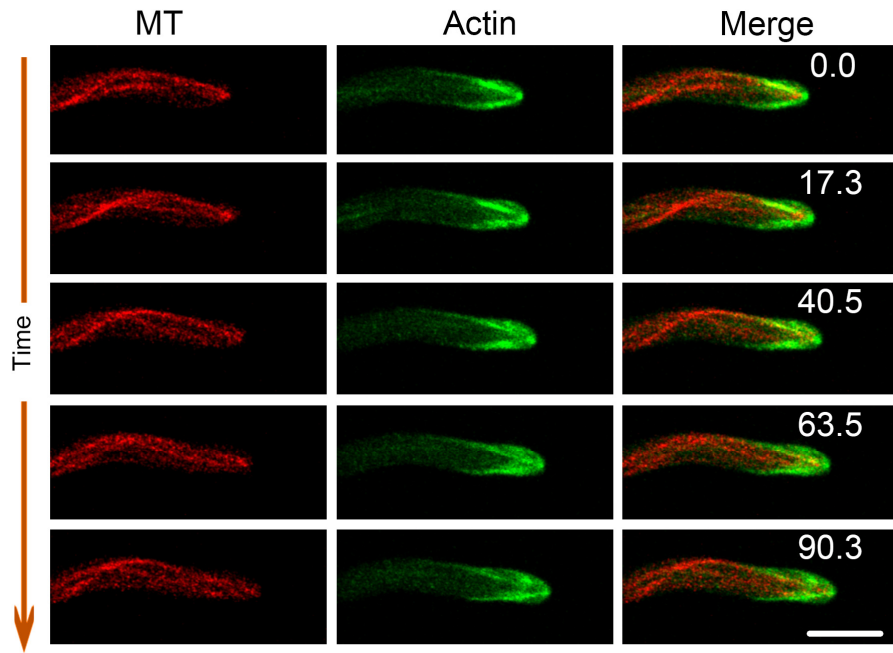


Figure S2. Actin and microtubule cytoskeletons of growing hyphae

Time-lapse imaging of the MT and actin assembly in the WT *M. oryzae* growing hypha. This representative video is based on data from 20 hyphae in three independent experiments. The numbers at the top right corner indicate the timestamps (S). Bar = 5 μm .

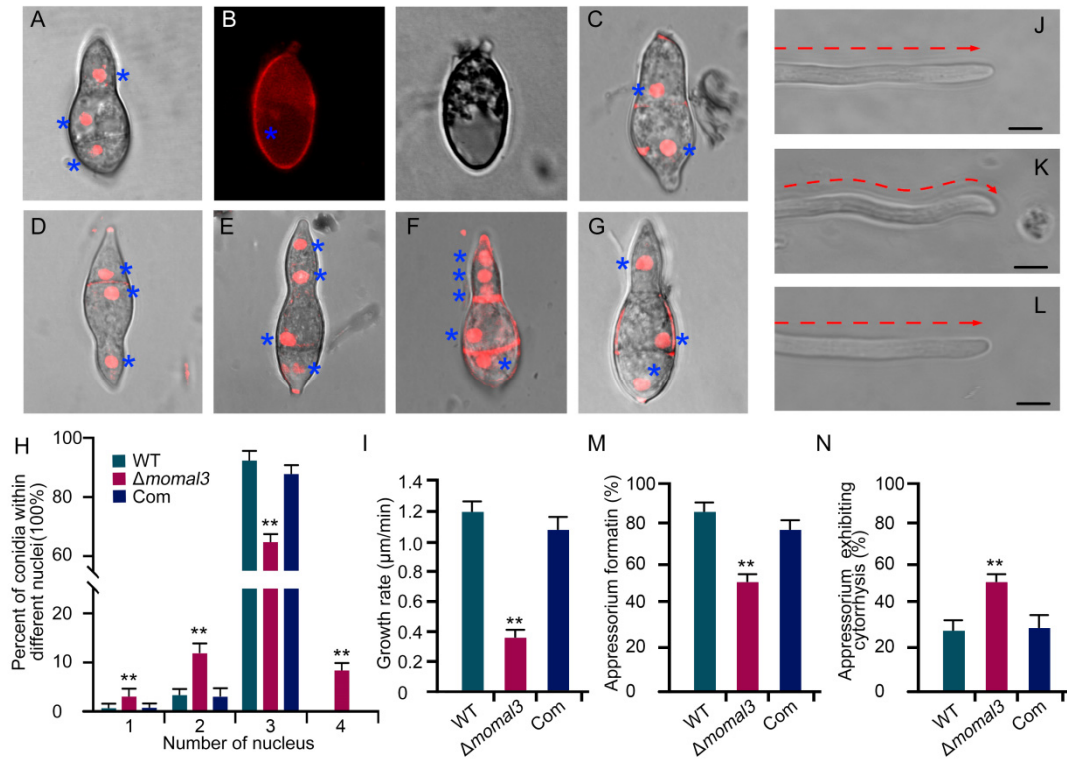


Figure S3. Development defects of $\Delta momal3$

(A–G), Photographs of the NLS-mCherry labeled nuclei in the conidia of WT (A), $\Delta momal3$ (B–F) and the complemented (G) strains. The nucleus labeling marker NLS-mCherry was expressed in the WT, $\Delta momal3$ and the complemented strains. (H), Statistics analysis of the number of the nuclei in the WT, $\Delta momal3$ and the complemented strains. Error bars represent SD ($n = 200$) and asterisks (**) represent a significant difference ($p < 0.01$). Bars = 5 μm . (I), Hyphal growth speed of the WT, $\Delta momal3$ and the complemented strains. 100 hyphae each of the WT, $\Delta momal3$, and the complemented strain were calculated in three experimental repeats. The corresponding movie is provided as Supplemental movie S1. Error bars represent SD ($n = 100$). Asterisks indicate statistically significant differences, as determined by Student's t -test ($p < 0.01$). (J–L), Representative images showing the morphology of the WT (J), $\Delta momal3$ (K) and the complemented strains (L). Bars = 5 μm . (M), Appressorium formation rates were calculated and statistically analyzed. Error bars represent SD ($n = 100$). Asterisks represent significant differences ($p < 0.01$). (N), Appressorium turgor was measured by an incipient cytorrhysis (cell collapse) assay

using glycerol (3 M). The percentage of collapsed appressoria was recorded by observing at least 100 appressorium for each strain, and were repeated for three times. Error bars represent SD and asterisks represent significant differences ($p < 0.01$).

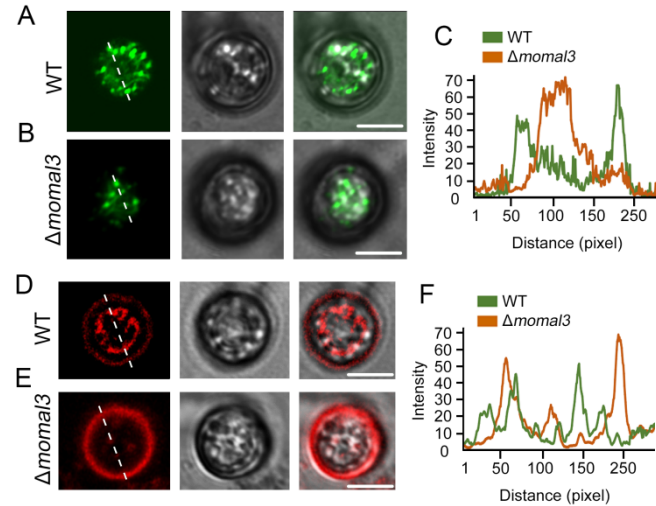


Figure S4. Actin and Sln distribution in WT and $\Delta momal3$ appressorium

(A,B), Representative image showing the actin organization in a 8 h developed WT (A) and $\Delta momal3$ (B) appressorium. 30 cells were observed for both WT and $\Delta momal3$ and similar observations were collected. Bars = 10 μ m. (C), Line-scan analysis of the actin organization in the appressorium in (A and B). (D,E), Representative image showing the distribution of the turgor sensor protein MoSln in the 24 h developed appressorium of WT and $\Delta momal3$. 30 cells were observed for both WT and $\Delta momal3$ and similar observations were collected. Bars = 10 μ m. (F). Line-scan analysis of the MoSln1-mCherry in the appressorium shown in (D and E).

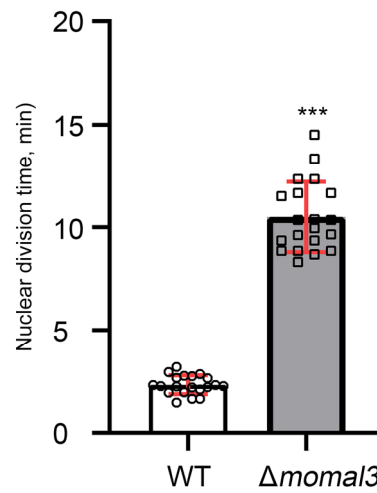


Figure S5. Statistical analysis of the nuclear division and migration time of the WT and $\Delta momal3$ strains.

20 nuclear division and migration events were observed for both WT and $\Delta momal3$. in three experimental repeats. Error bars represent SD. Asterisks indicate statistically significant differences, as determined by Student's *t*-test ($p < 0.001$).

Supplemental movie legends

Supplemental movie S1. Hyphal growth analysis of the $\Delta momal3$ by microscopy

The hyphae of the WT (A), $\Delta momal3$ (B) and the complemented (C) strains were observed under a microscope (Zeiss LSM880, with a 20x objective). Time-lapse imaging was conducted and the hyphal growth rate was calculated according to the distance it grew. This representative video is based on data from 20 hyphae in three independent experiments. The numbers at the top right corner indicate the timestamps (min:sec). Bar = 20 μ m.

Supplemental movie S2. MoMal3 localizes to the MT +tip end in during hyphal tip growth

Tubulin-GFP (A) and MoMal3-mCherry (B) driven by its native promoter were coexpressed in $\Delta momal3$. The white and yellow arrows indicate that MoMal3 guides +tip MT polymerization along a existing MT to form MT bundles and typical single MT +tip elongation, respectively. The purple arrow and asterisk indicate that MoMal3-mCherry dose not localize to a depolymerized MT +tip and MT -tip end, respectively. This representative video is based on data from 50 hyphae in three independent experiments. The numbers at the top right corner indicate the timestamps (S). Bar = 5 μ m.

Supplemental movie S3. MoMal3 localizes to the MT spindle during mitosis

Time-lapse imaging the fluorescence of the MoMal3-mCherry during *M. oryzae* mitosis. Tubulin-GFP (A) and MoMal3-mCherry (B) were coexpressed in $\Delta momal3$. This representative video is based on data from 30 hyphae in three independent experiments. The numbers at the top right corner indicate the timestamps (S). Bar = 5 μ m.

Supplemental movie S4. The dynamic organization of the MT cytoskeleton during hypha polar growth in the WT *M. oryzae*

Time-lapse imaging of the MT assembly in the WT growing hypha. The red and white

arrows indicate the polymerization or depolymerization of the MT at the +tip end, respectively. This representative video is based on data from 50 hyphae in three independent experiments. The numbers at the top right corner indicate the timestamps (S). Bar = 5 μ m.

Supplemental movie S5. The dynamic organization of the MT cytoskeleton during hypha polar growth in *$\Delta momal3$*

Time-lapse imaging of the MT assembly in the *$\Delta momal3$* growing hypha. The red and white arrows indicate the polymerization or depolymerization of the MT at the +tip end, respectively. The yellow arrowheads indicate the MT catastrophe events. This representative video is based on data from 50 hyphae in three independent experiments. The numbers at the top right corner indicate the timestamps (S). Bar = 5 μ m.

Supplemental movie S6. Actin organization in the hyphal tip of *$\Delta momal3$*

Lifeact-GFP was expressed in the WT and the *$\Delta momal3$* . Time-lapse observations were performed to record the actin dynamic organization in the hyphal tip of WT (**A**) and *$\Delta momal3$* (**B**). This representative video is based on data from 30 hyphae in three independent experiments. The numbers at the top right corner indicate the timestamps (Min:Sec). Bar = 5 μ m.

Supplemental movie S7. Distribution analysis of the v-SNARE protein Snc1-GFP in *$\Delta momal3$*

Snc1-GFP driven by Snc1 promoter was expressed in both WT and *$\Delta momal3$* . Time-lapse images were obtained to record the distribution of Snc1-GFP in the hyphal tip of WT (**A**) and *$\Delta momal3$* (**B**). The white arrowhead indicates Snc1-GFP could be transferred and aggregated at the WT hyphal tip during polar growth. This representative video is based on data from 30 hyphae in three independent experiments. The numbers at the top right corner indicate the timestamps (Min:Sec). Bar = 5 μ m.

Supplemental movie S8. 3D reconstruction of MT organization in *M. oryzae* appressorium

This representative video is based on data from Z-slices of imaging of the MT in the WT (**A**) and $\Delta momal3$ (**B**) in Figure 7A.

Supplemental movie S9. The dynamic organization of the MT cytoskeleton in the WT appressorium

Time-lapse imaging of the MT assembly in the WT appressorium. The red and white arrows indicate the polymerization or depolymerization of the MT at the +tip end, respectively. This representative video is based on data from 50 hyphae in three independent experiments. The numbers at the top right corner indicate the timestamps (Sec). Bar = 5 μ m.

Supplemental movie S10. The dynamic organization of the MT cytoskeleton in the $\Delta momal3$ appressorium

Time-lapse imaging of the MT assembly in $\Delta momal3$ appressorium. The red and white arrows indicate the polymerization or depolymerization of the MT at the +tip end, respectively. This representative video is based on data from 50 hyphae in three independent experiments. The numbers at the top right corner indicate the timestamps (Sec). Bar = 5 μ m.

Supplemental movie S11. MT spindle and nucleus division in *M. oryzae* mitosis

Time-lapse imaging of both the Tubulin-GFP and Histone1-mCherry in WT (**A**) and $\Delta momal3$ (**B**) to show the developing of the MT spindle and the separation of the chromosomes in mitosis. The white arrow indicates separation of the spindle pole body. This representative video is based on data from 50 hyphae in three independent experiments. The numbers at the top right corner indicate the timestamps (Min:Sec). Bar = 5 μ m.

Supplemental movie S12. MT spindle and nucleus division in *M. oryzae* infection of the host plants

Time-lapse imaging of both the Tubulin-GFP and Histone1-mCherry in WT (**A**) and $\Delta momal3$ (**B**) to show the developing of the MT spindle and the separation of the chromosomes in mitosis during *M. oryzae* spread in the host plant cells. In the infection initiation, the nucleus was arranged close to the plant cell wall and subsequently, the MT spindle crossed the plant cell wall. Accompanied with the elongation of the MT spindle, the chromosomes were pulled into the neighbour plant cell. The white arrow indicates separation of the spindle pole body. This representative video is based on data from 50 hyphae for both the WT and $\Delta momal3$ in three independent experiments. The numbers at the top right corner indicate the timestamps (Min:Sec). Bar = 5 μ m.

The nucleotides highlighted in red indicate the enzyme site for construction.

For knock out	
Mal3-KO-1F	GGTGGCGGCCGC TCTAGA AGATGTAAAGGTCGGCCATG
Mal3-KO-1R	CAAAAATGCTCCTTCAAT TCTAGA CTTGATGGCAGCTCGTAAGC
Mal3-KO-3F	GGGTTCGCAAAGATAAA AAGCTT GGCTGTAAAAATGCATTGGA
Mal3-KO-3R	GGTCGACGGTATCGATA AAGCTT CCTCAGCGTATCATTATGC
Mal3-text-1F	CAACGCACCTAAACTGACCA
Mal3-text-1R	GTTTGTCGACTTGCTGCTTG
Mal3-text-2F	GCTGACGTCTCCTAGGTTGT
Mal3-text-2R	GCTGATCTGACCAGTTGC
Mal3-text-3F	GTAACGCCTTCAGGCTCCGG
Mal3-text-3R	CTGCGTGAGCGCCATCTTAG
Mal3-ORF-F	ATGGGCGAATCGCGCCTATT
Mal3-ORF-R	GAACGTCTCCTGGTCGTCCA
For localization	
PBN-NaproMal3-mCherry-F	GCTATGACCATGATTAC GAATTC GCTGACGTCTCCTAGGTTGT
PBN-NaproMal3-mCherry-R	CTTGCTCACCATGGATCC GGTACC GAACGTCTCCTGGTCGTCCA
PBN-NaproSLN1-mCherry-F	CCGAGCTCGGTACC GGATCC ATGAGGATCGCCATCCGCGA
PBN-NaproSLN1-mCherry-R	CCCTTGCTCACCAT GGATCC CGTCGCCACAGCAGCACCG
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