

## **Supplementary Material**

**Title: Heteroexpression of *Aspergillus nidulans laeA* in marine-derived fungi triggers upregulation of secondary metabolite biosynthetic genes**

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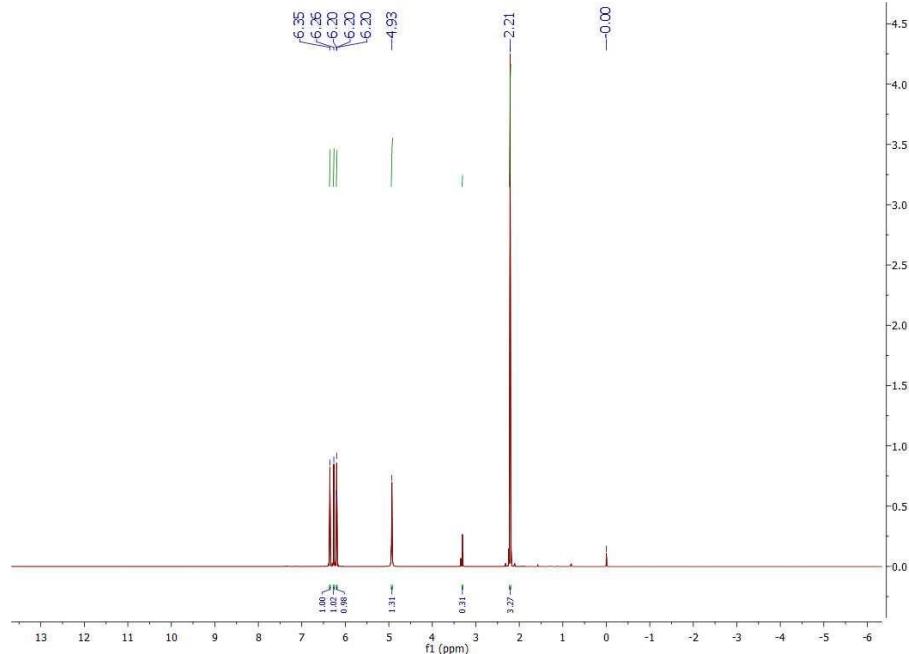
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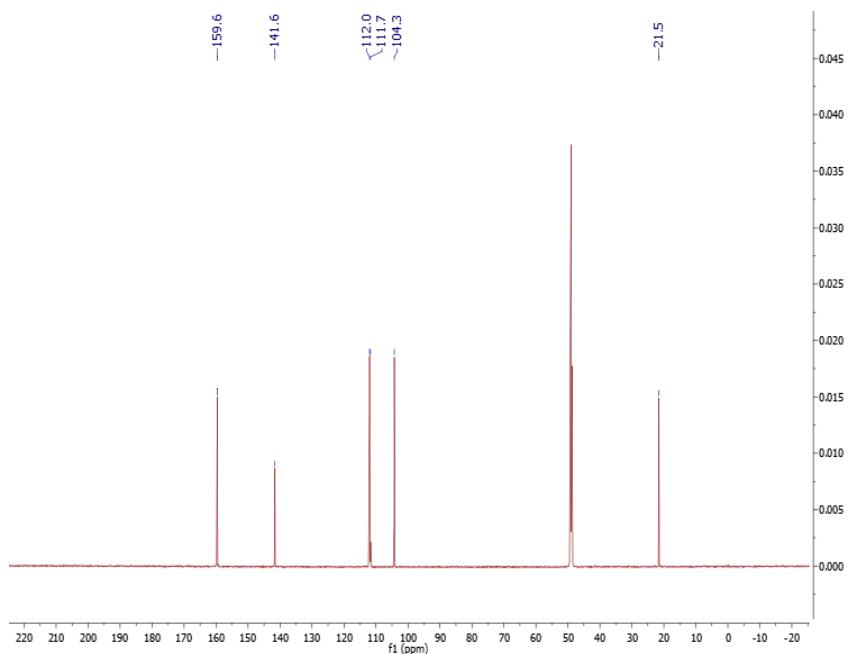
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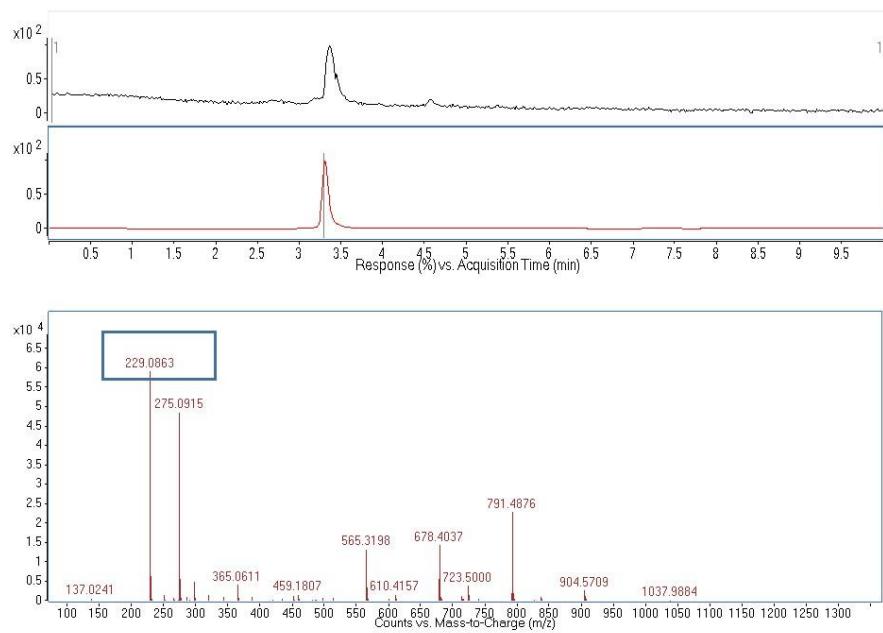
**Figure S1.** Multiple sequence alignment of Az5LaeA with its orthologs by ClustalX2.1. Abbreviations and accession numbers: Az5LaeA, *Aspergillus* sp. Z5 LaeA, BK011996; AnLaeA, *Aspergillus nidulans* LaeA, XP\_658411; PoLaeA, *Penicillium oxalicum* LaeA, EPS25650; PzLaeA, *Penicilliopsis zonata* LaeA, XP\_022580130; MrLaeA, *Monascus ruber* LaeA, AIY63188; BsLaeA, *Byssochlamys spectabilis* LaeA, GAD98736; ReLaeA, *Rasamonia emersonii* LaeA, XP\_013330850; EgLaeA, *Elaphomyces granulatus* LaeA, OXV07344



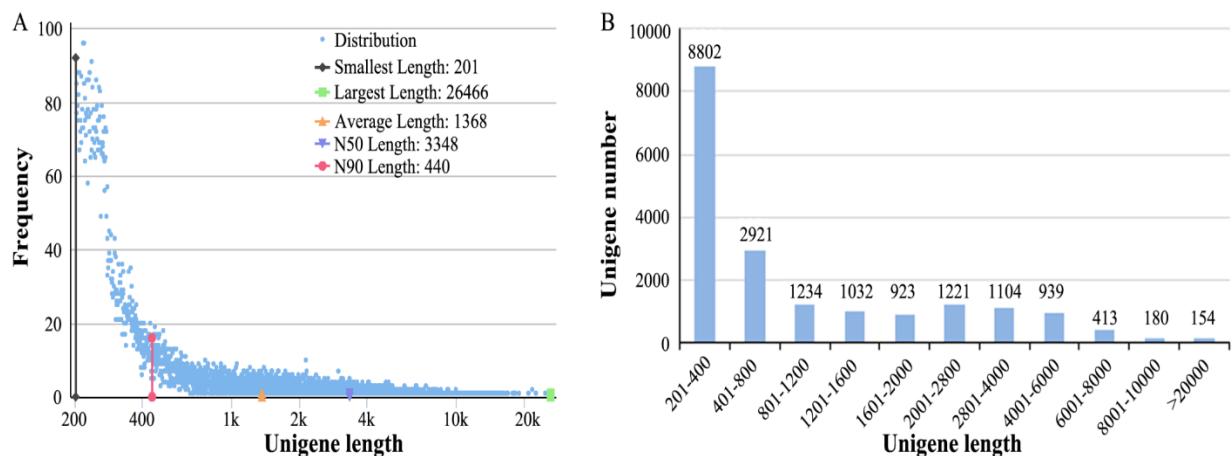
**Figure S2.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR Spectrum of compound 1 in CD<sub>3</sub>OD



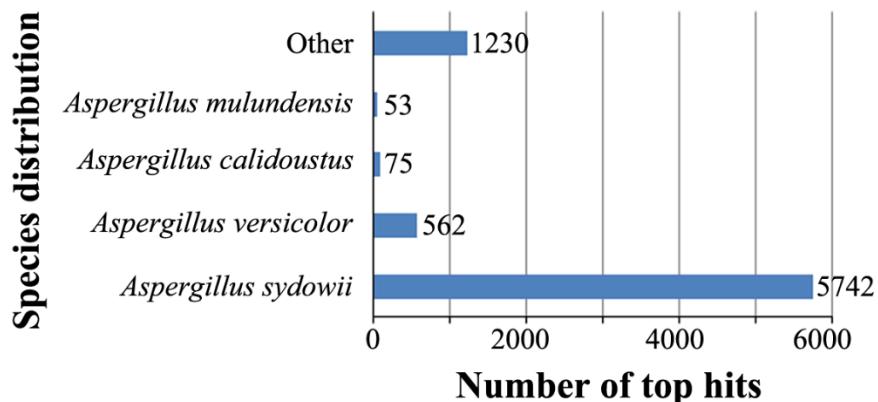
**Figure S3.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR Spectrum of compound 1 in CD<sub>3</sub>OD



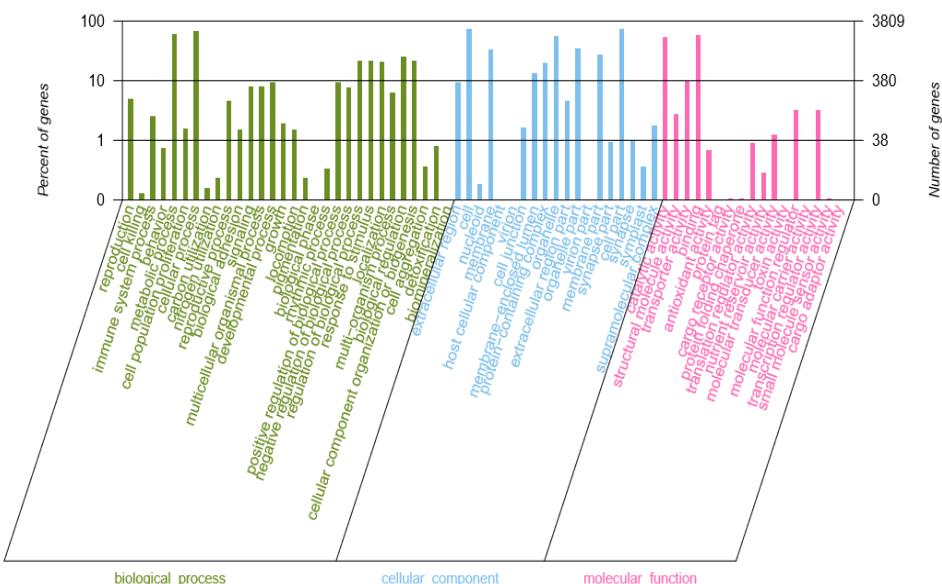
**Figure S4.** LC-MS analysis of compound 1



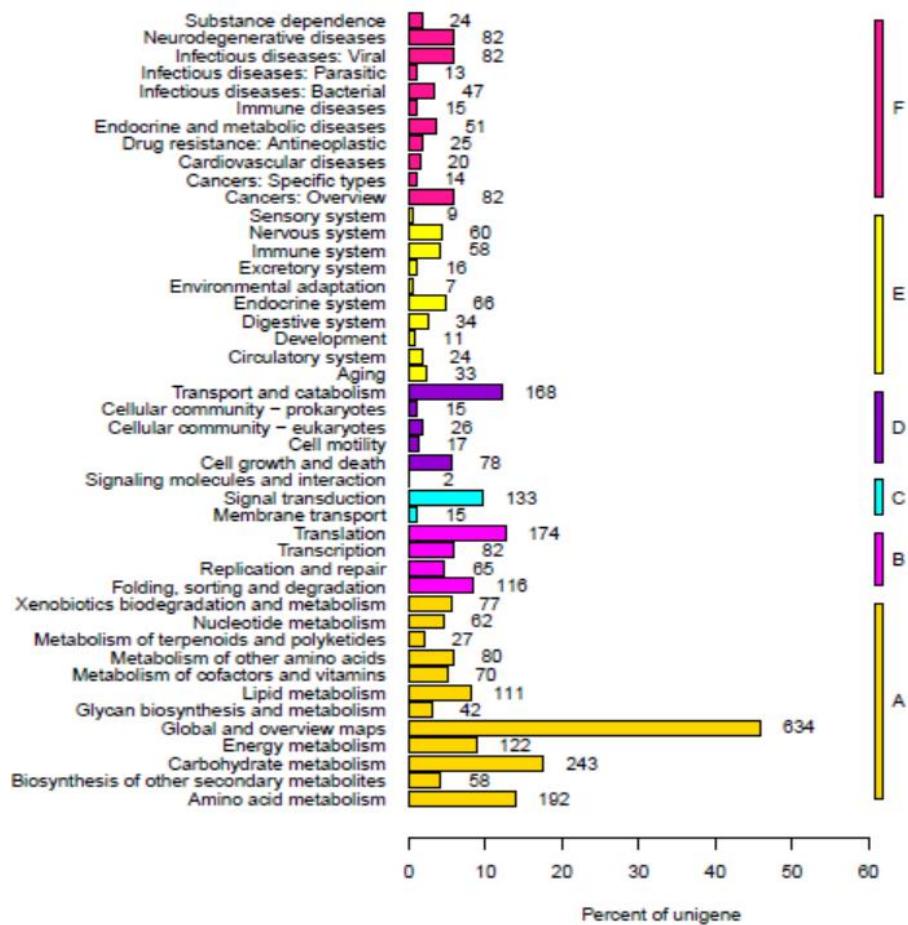
**Figure S5.** (A) The range of unigene length; (B) Unigene length distribution



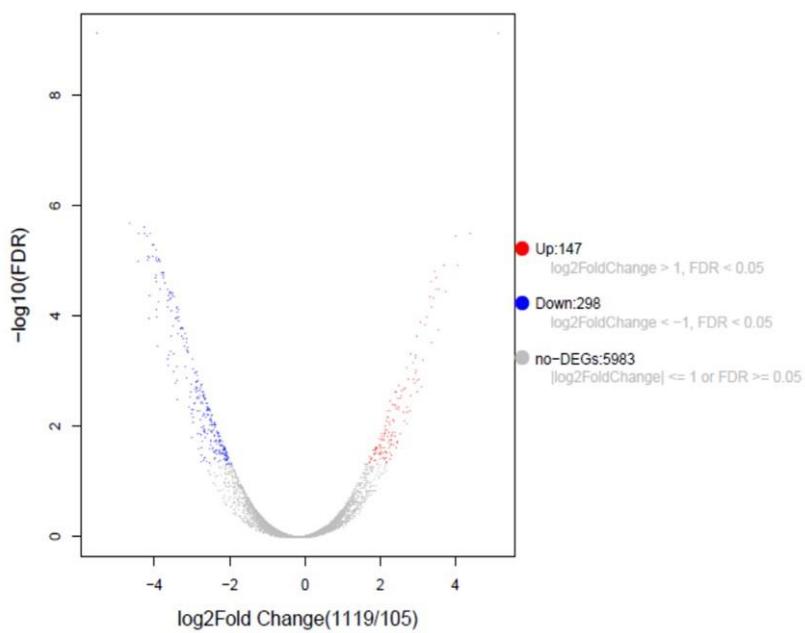
**Figure S6.** Top-hit species similarity of assembled unigenes



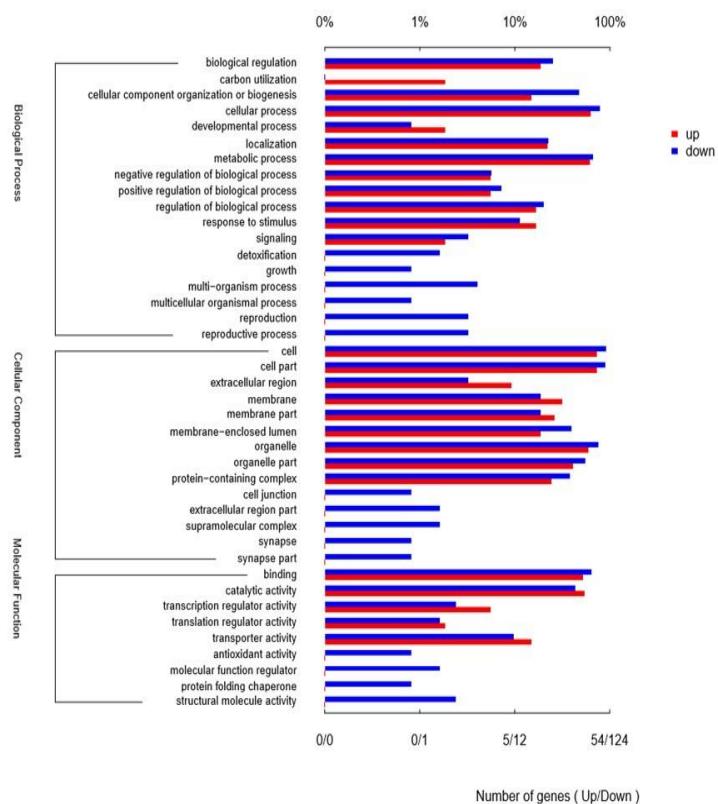
**Figure S7.** The Gene Ontology (GO) pathway classification of assembled unigenes



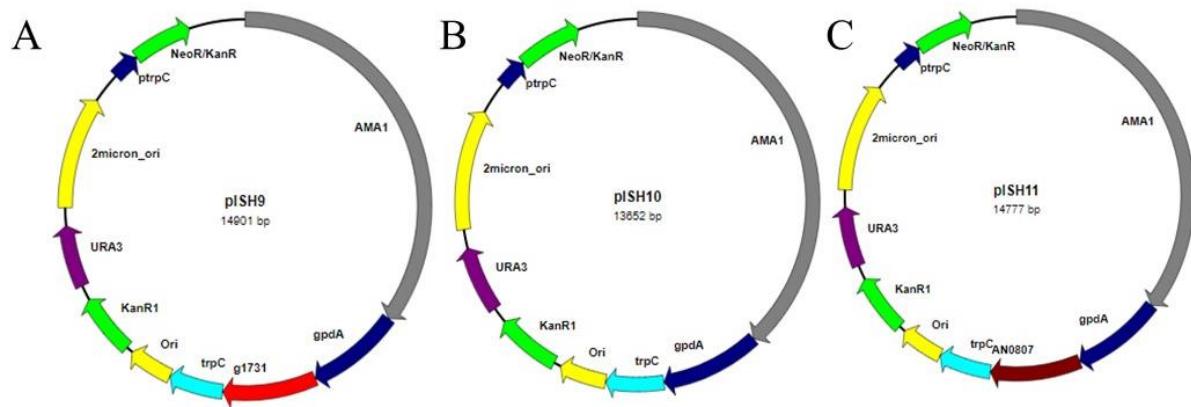
**Figure S8.** The KEGG pathway classification of assembled unigenes. (A) Metabolism; (B) Genetic Information Processing; (C) Environment Information Processing; (D) Cellular Process; (E) Organismal System; (F) Others



**Figure S9.** The visualization of differentially expressed genes (DEGs). Red dot: Significantly upregulated gene; Blue dot: Significantly down regulated gene; Grey dot: Not significantly differentially expressed gene.



**Figure S10.** WEGO enrichment comparison between annotated unigenes and AnLaeA upregulated genes in transformant OE::AnLaeA<sup>11.19</sup>.



**Figure S11.** Plasmid maps. (A) *Aspergillus* sp. Z5 g1731.t1 *laeA* (Az5LaeA) overexpression plasmid; (B) Negative control plasmid; (C) *Aspergillus nidulans* AN0807 *laeA* (AnLaeA) overexpression plasmid

**Table S1.** Comparison between Az5LaeA and its orthologs

LaeA	Organism	Accession number	Length (aa)	Identity/coverage (%)
Az5LaeA	<i>Aspergillus</i> sp. Z5	BK011996	352	-
AnLaeA	<i>Aspergillus nidulans</i>	XP_658411	361	86.07/95
PoLaeA	<i>Penicillium oxalicum</i>	EPS25650	348	78.77/82
PzLaeA	<i>Penicilliopsis zonata</i>	XP_022580130	367	73.84/99
MrLaeA	<i>Monascus ruber</i>	AIY63188	368	71.10/93
BsLaeA	<i>Byssochlamys spectabilis</i>	GAD98736	369	70.75/96
ReLaeA	<i>Rasamonia emersonii</i>	XP_013330850	377	66.67/89
EgLaeA	<i>Elaphomyces granulatus</i>	OXV07344	404	60.15/99

**Table S2.** Summary of RNA-seq statistics

	nc10.5	OE::AnLaeA <sup>11,19</sup>
Raw Reads		
Total Reads	50,033,398	48,146,046
Total Bases (bp)	7.51×10 <sup>9</sup>	7.22×10 <sup>9</sup>
Clean Reads		
Total Reads	49,979,906	48,075,956
Total Bases (bp)	7.33×10 <sup>9</sup>	7.01×10 <sup>9</sup>
Error %	0.0266	0.0263
Q20 %	97.13	97.18
Q30 %	93	93.26
GC %	52.83	52.31

**Table S3.** Statistics of the *de novo* assembly of RNA-seq

	Transcripts	Unigenes
Total number	33,747	18,923
Total Bases (bp)	71,916,686	25,898,836
GC %	51.22	51.24
Largest Length (bp)	26,466	26,466
Smallest Length (bp)	200	201
Average Length (bp)	2131.05	1368.64
N50 (bp)	4614	3348
N90 (bp)	1052	440

**Table S4.** Annotation of unigenes against different databases

Database / Type	Unigenes	Percentage %	Transcripts	Percentage %
Total number	18,923	-	33,747	-
NR	7662	40.49	16,866	49.98
Pfam	3792	20.03	9575	28.37
STRING	5313	28.08	11,985	35.51
SWISS-PROT	3910	20.66	8309	24.62
GO	3809	20.12	8113	24.04
KEGG	2117	11.19	5133	15.21

**Table S5.** Primers used in this study

Primers	Sequence *(5'-3')	Purpose
ISH-Y LaeA E1F1	ATGTTGAGATGGGCCCGGTG	To clone coding sequence of
Y LaeA E2R2	TTATCTTAATGGTTTCCTAGCCTGG	AnLaeA gene
ISH Z5 LaeA F1	ATGTTGGAAAGGGTCCGGTG	To clone Az5LaeA gene
ISH Z5 LaeA R1	TTATCTGACGGTTTCGCG	
ISH gpdA F1	GAAAAACTCGTGCTATCACAAAACAGT	To clone gpdA promoter with
	ATACAAAAAAATAGCCGCACCTTCAGTG	AMA1 flanking region.
	GA	
ISH gpdA R2	TGTGATGTCTGCTCAAGCGGGTAG	

Primers	Sequence *(5'-3')	Purpose
ISH gpdA R1	GGGGTCGAGGTCCCACCGGACCCTTCC AAACATTGTGATGTCTGCTCAAGCGGG GTAG	To clone gpdA promoter with Az5LaeA gene flanking region
ISH gpdA R3	GGAGACGAGTTCCCACCGGGCCCATCTC AAACATTGTGATGTCTGCTCAAGCGGG GTAG	To clone gpdA promoter with AnLaeA gene flanking region
ISH TtrpC F1	AGCTTGACTAACAGCTACCCGCTTGAG CAGACATCACAGGATCCACTAACGTT ACTG	To clone TtrpC terminator with gpdA flanking region
ISH TtrpC F2	ATACTGCACATATAACCAGGCTAGGAAAC CATTAAGATAAGGATCCACTAACGTT ACTG	To clone TtrpC terminator with AnLaeA gene flanking region
ISH TtrpC F3	ATCCTACACATATAACCAAGCGCGAAAAC CGTCGAGATAAGGATCCACTAACGTT ACTG	To clone TtrpC terminator with Az5LaeA gene and Ori flanking region
ISH TtrpC R1	ATTTTGATGCTCGTCAGGGGGCGG AGCCTATGAAATAGAAAGAAGGATTA CCTC	
ISH-G418 F2	TTTCCATAGGCTCCGCCCCCTG	To clone vector backbone from
Y-G418 R1	CTTCGTGCTATCACAAACAGTATAACAA AAAATAAGCTAAACGCTCTTCTCTT AGG	pC-G418-YR vector with AMA1 flanking region
WJW-F	GCAAGGTGTTCAGAGACTA	To confirm AMA1 by diagnostic PCR
WJW-R	AGTGTGGAAGTGTAGCAT	
ISH Neo/Kan F1	ATGATTGAACAAGATGGATTGC	To confirm G418 gene by diagnostic PCR
ISH Neo/Kan R1	TCAGAAGAACTCGTCAAGAAG	
ISH gpdA_ANLaeA F1	ACGCAGAGAGAAGGGCTGAGTAATA	To confirm gpdA-AnLaeA gene
ISH gpdA_ANLaeA R1	TGGTCGCCGGCTCTCGTTCA	fragment by diagnostic PCR
ISH gpdA_Az5LaeA F1	GTAGGCAGCTTGCCCCGTCT	To confirm gpdA-Az5LaeA gene
ISH gpdA_Az5LaeA R1	TCGAAATCGAAGGGTGAATAGAAC	fragment by diagnostic PCR
Z5 VeA RT F1	CGAACGACCACTTACAATGGCA	To confirm Az5VeA gene
Z5 VeA RT R1	GCCCGCTTATAGGCCATCT	expression by qPCR
Z5 VelB RT F1	CCCTTCCAAGTGTCTCTGCGA	

Primers	Sequence *(5'-3')	Purpose
Z5 VelB RT R1	CGTCCACGAGAGCCTTGAC	To confirm Az5VelB gene expression by qPCR
Z5aflR RTF1	AGTATCGCAGGGCAGGCTG	To confirm Az5aflR1 gene
Z5aflR RTR1	GAGTCCCAGAGATCCACAGCT	expression by qPCR
Z5aflR RTF2	AGAGGACGAGCGCAGGCTTA	To confirm Az5aflR2 gene
Z5aflR RTR2	AACTGTTCCAGCGCCCCGT	expression by qPCR
Z5 sclR RTF1	CTCTACTTCACGCTTCGAAA	To confirm Az5sclR gene
Z5 sclR RTR1	ACGTACGCCGCCATCAAAA	expression by qPCR
Z5 GcnE RTF1	TACAAGATCGACCCAGTAATGG	To confirm Az5GcnE gene
Z5 GcnE RTR1	AACGGTGGCGACAGCTCGTT	expression by qPCR
Z5 mtfA RTF1	AAGGCCTCTCACGACCCT	To confirm Az5mtfA gene
Z5 mtfA RTR1	TTCGTGGCGCTTCATATTGCT	expression by qPCR
Z5 sItA RTF1	ATGGACTTCGCAGACTTCG	To confirm Az5sItA gene
Z5 sItA RTR1	AGCAGAGTCATCTCGAATTG	expression by qPCR
Z5 LlmF RTF1	ATCCAAAATGCACGAACTC	To confirm Az5LlmF gene
Z5 LlmF RTR1	CACCTGGCGCTTCATACGA	expression by qPCR
Z5 mcrA RTF1	AGGTCACACGCTTCTTACG	To confirm Az5mcrA gene
Z5 mcrA RTR1	AAAAGATCCACGGGGCGAAG	expression by qPCR
Z5 OrsA RTF1	CCGAGGATCTATCCGTTAA	To confirm Az5OrsA gene
Z5 OrsA RTR1	CCCAGACCACAGCGACAT	expression by qPCR
Z5 OrsB RTF1	GAGCAAATCAGCGACAGC	To confirm Az5OrsB gene
Z5 OrsB RTR1	TTAGGGCACCGACGAATC	expression by qPCR
Z5 OrsC RTF1	ATTGGACGGTTGGCAGG	To confirm Az5OrsC gene
Z5 OrsC RTR1	ATGTCCGGACTGAAATCAAACA	expression by qPCR
Z5 OrsD RTF1	ACCCGGCAGTCTTGGTGGTG	To confirm Az5OrsD gene
Z5 OrsD RTR1	CAGGAAGCCTCTCAGCAATAC	expression by qPCR
Z5 OrsE RTF1	TTAATGACATTGCGACTCCC	To confirm Az5OrsE gene
Z5 OrsE RTR1	AGCGCCTCATCGACACTCTCA	expression by qPCR
Z5 OrsF RTF1	AAACGTCAATGTAGGTTTCAGC	To confirm Az5OrsF gene
Z5 OrsF RTR1	TCCCGATATCATCGCGCTCC	expression by qPCR

\*The italicized primer sequence is homologous 5' flanking region to adjacent gene in vector construction

**Table S6.** List of plasmids used in this study

Plasmid	Genotype	Reference
pISH1	<i>amp oriC AnLaeAE1E2</i>	This study
pISH9	<i>ama1 gpdA::Az5LaeA::trpC neoR/kanR</i>	This study
pISH10	<i>ama1 gpdA trpC neoR/kanR</i>	This study
pISH11	<i>ama1 gpdA::AnLaeA::trpC neoR/kanR</i>	This study
pC-G418	<i>Ori neoR/kanR URA3 2micron</i>	<a href="http://www.addgene.org/61767/">http://www.addgene.org/61767/</a>
ANEp2	<i>ama1 pyrG GlaPr lacA GlaTt pUC18</i>	<a href="http://fgsc.net/">http://fgsc.net/</a>

**Table S7.** List of LaeA regulated transcription factors, diorcinol-synthesis and velvet complex genes in *Aspergillus* sp. Z5

Genes	<i>A. nidulans</i> / <i>A. oryzae</i>	Aspergillus sp.	Z5	Function	Reference
<b>Transcription factors</b>					
<b>homologue</b>					
<b>(%Identity/%Positives/ Query coverage)</b>					
<i>aflR</i>	AN7820	g378.t1(29/42/94)	Sterigmatocystin regulator	biosynthesis	[1]
<i>gcnE</i>	AN3621	g3373.t1 (94/96/99)	Acetyltransferase complex	in SAGA	[2]
<i>llmF</i>	AN6749	g9402.t1 (76/83/96)	LaeA-like methyltransferase		[3]
<i>mcrA</i>	AN8694	g6964.t1 (68/74/98)	Master regulator of secondary metabolism in <i>Aspergillus</i>		[4]
<i>mtfA</i>	AN8741	g2250.t1 (78/85/99)	Putative C2H2 factor involve in regulation of secondary metabolism	transcription	[5]
<i>sclR</i>	AO09001100 0215	g6252.t1 (65/70/25)	Hyphal morphology, asexual conidiospore formation and sclerotial production		[6]
<i>sltA</i>	AN2919	g7633.t1 (78/86/99)	C2H2 transcription factor involve in cation homeostasis		[7]

Genes	<i>A. nidulans/</i> <i>A. oryzae</i>	<i>Aspergillus</i> sp.	Z5	Function (%Identity/%Positives/ Query coverage)	Reference
<b>Diorcinol biosynthesis</b>					
<i>orsA</i>	AN7909	g2173.t1 (77/85/100)	Polyketide synthase; secondary metabolite gene cluster	F9775 [8]	
<i>orsB</i>	AN7911	g2171.t1 (85/92/98)	Putative amidohydrolase; F9775 secondary metabolite gene cluster		[8]
<i>orsC</i>	AN7912	g2170.t1 (79/87/98)	Putative tyrosinase; secondary metabolite gene cluster	F9775 [8]	
<i>orsD</i>	AN7913	g2169.t1 (64/75/98)	F9775 secondary metabolite gene cluster		[9]
<i>orsE</i>	AN7914	g2168.t1 (87/93/99)	Putative alcohol dehydrogenase; F9775 secondary metabolite gene cluster		[9]
<i>orsF</i>	AN7910	g2172.t1 (78/88/93)	Hypothetical protein		[10]
<b>Velvet complex</b>					
<i>veA</i>	AN1052	g4963.t1 (73/79/99)	Coordinates development and secondary metabolism in response to light		[11]
<i>velB</i>	AN0363	g142.t1 (80/87/95)	Coordinates development and secondary metabolism in response to light		[11]

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