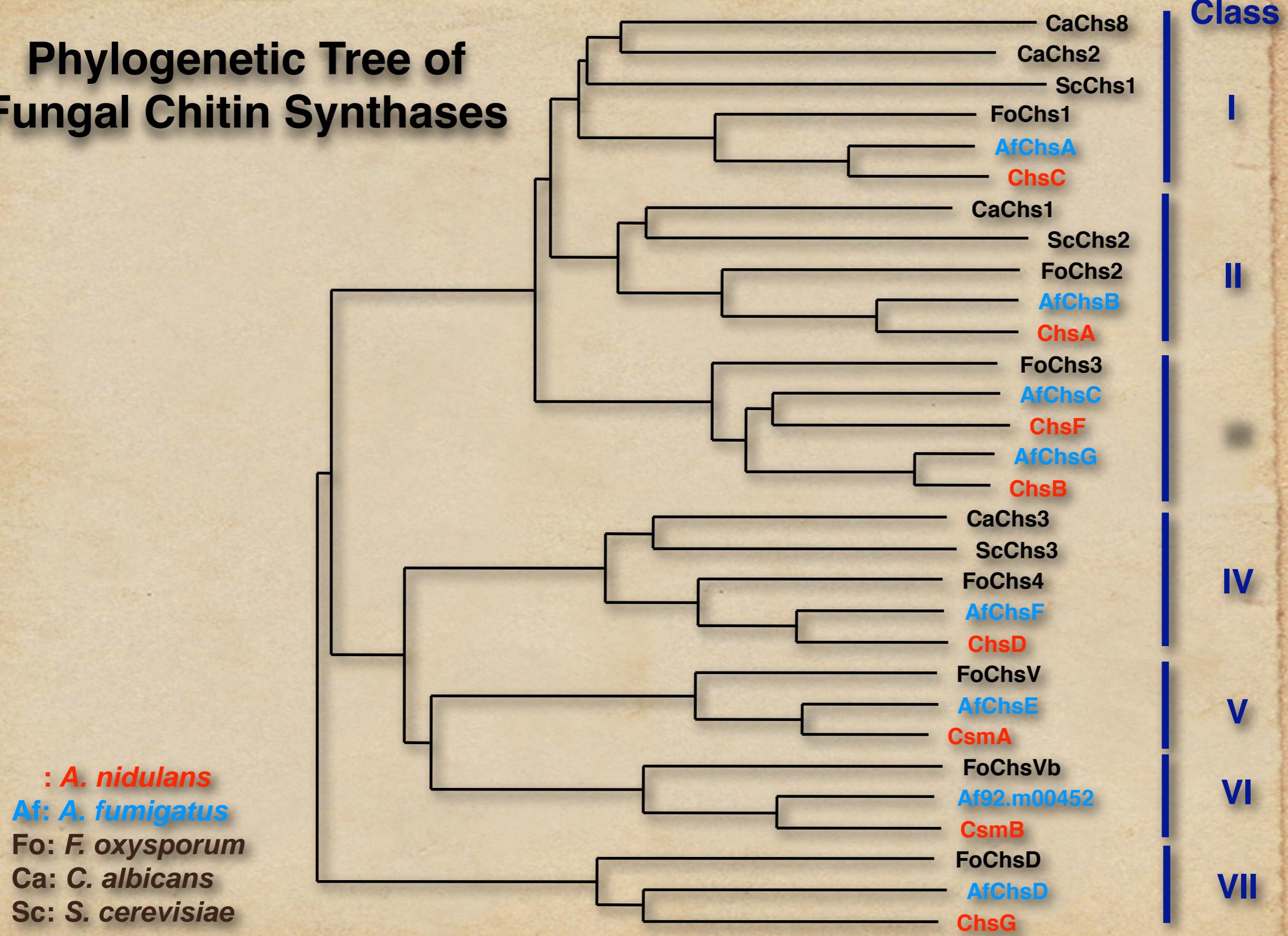
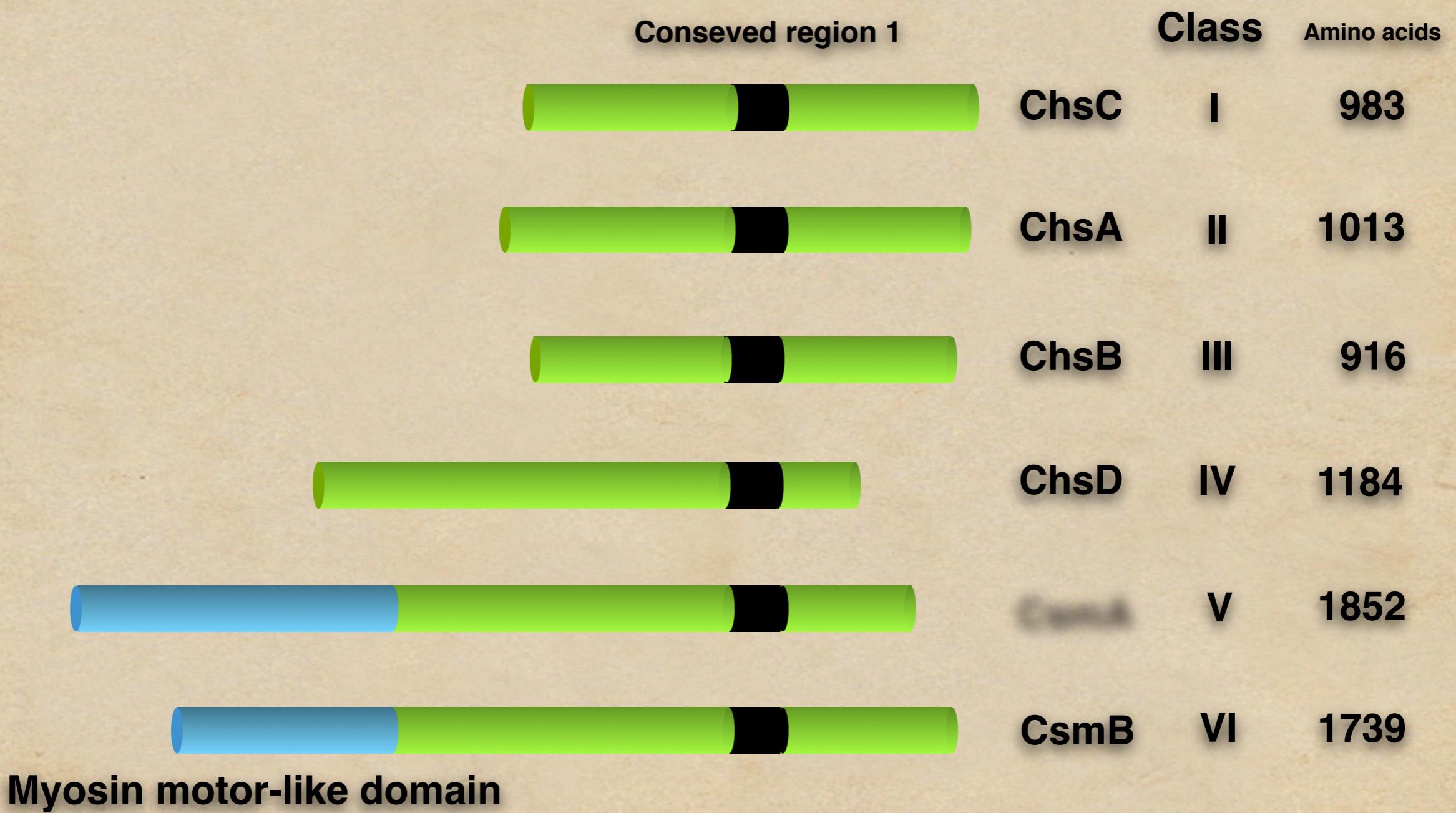


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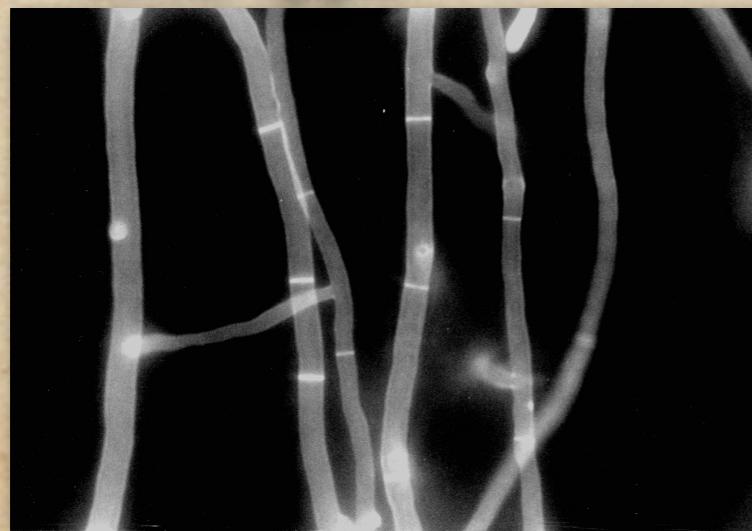


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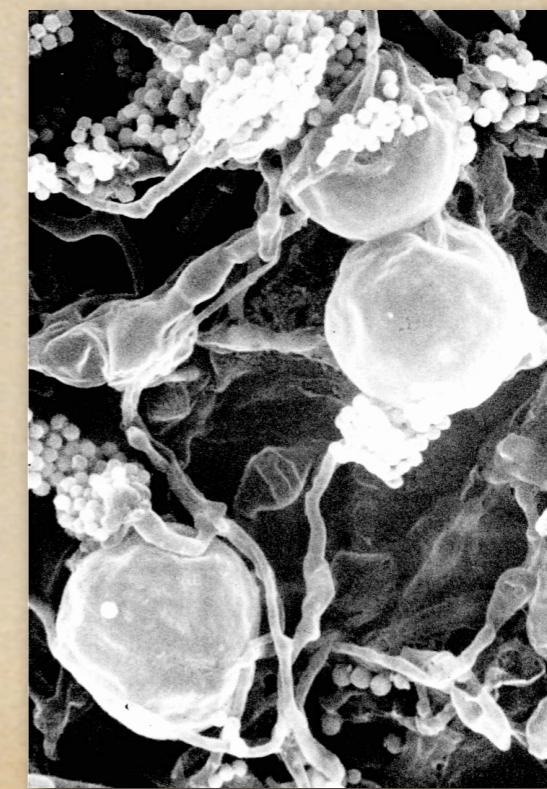
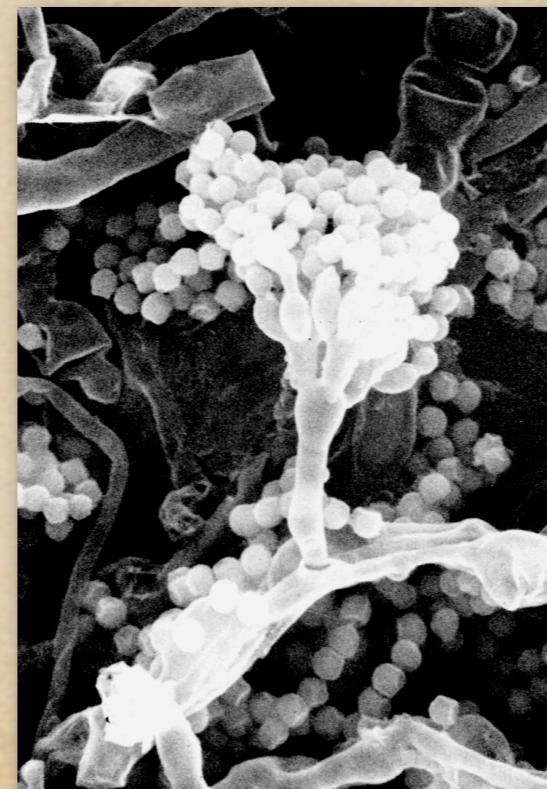
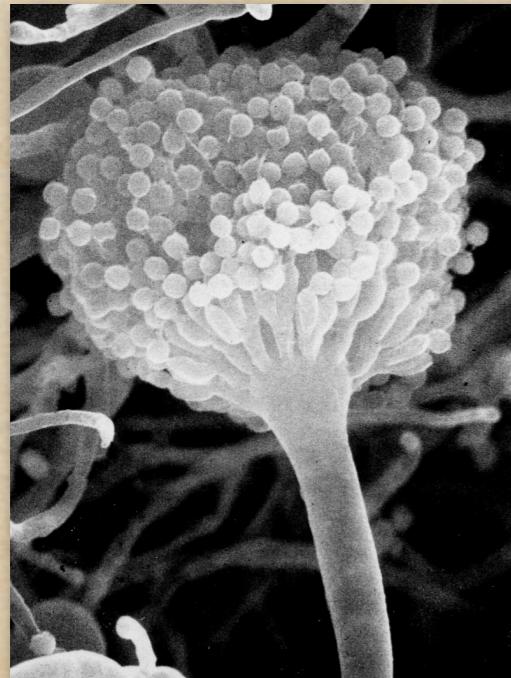
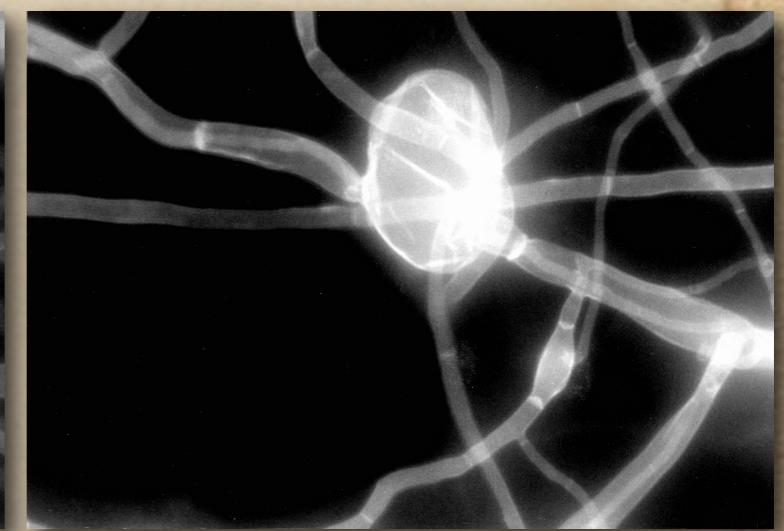
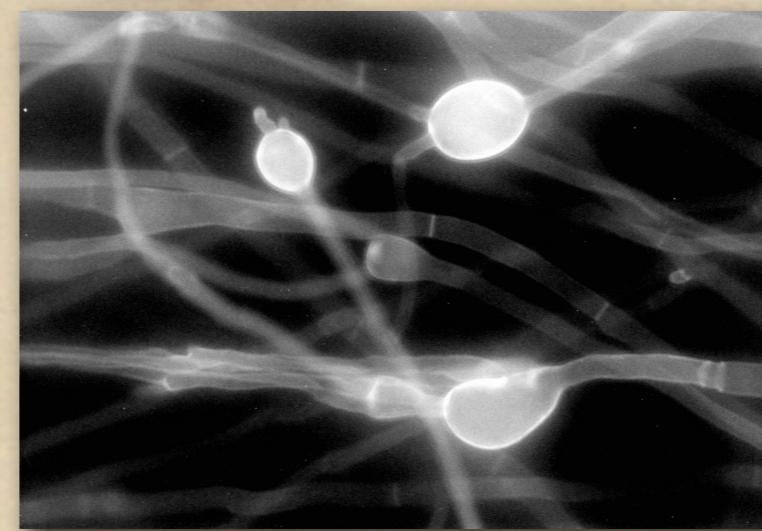


Structures of the Hyphae and the Conidiophores of the *csmA* Deletion Mutant

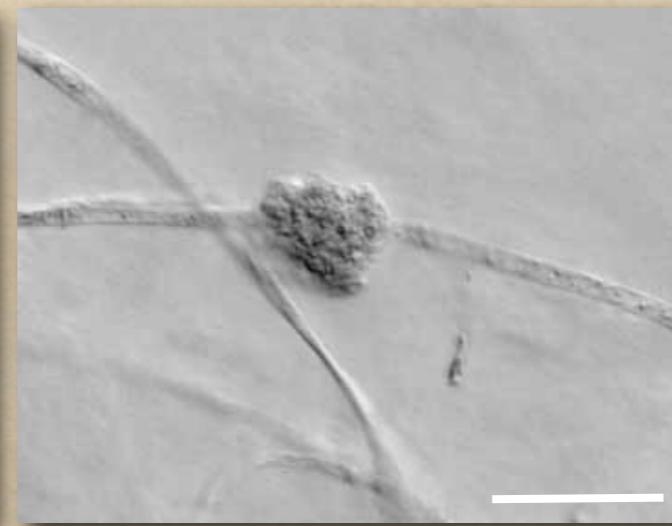
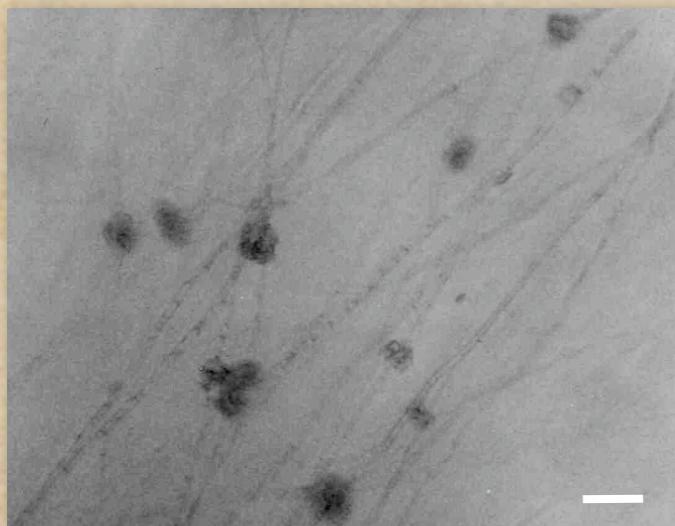
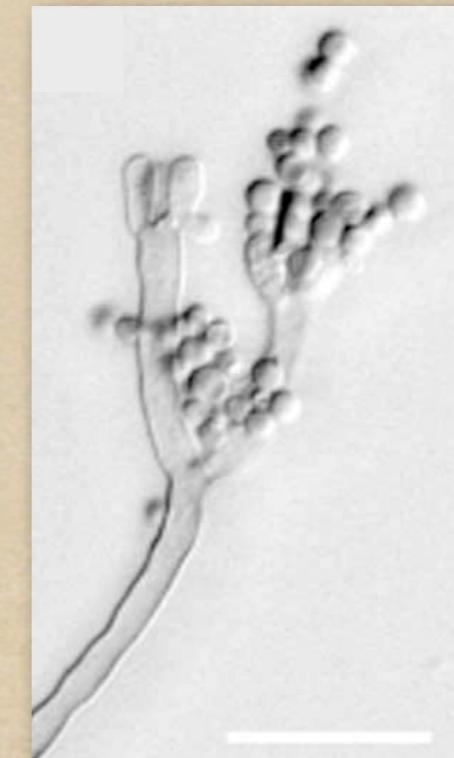
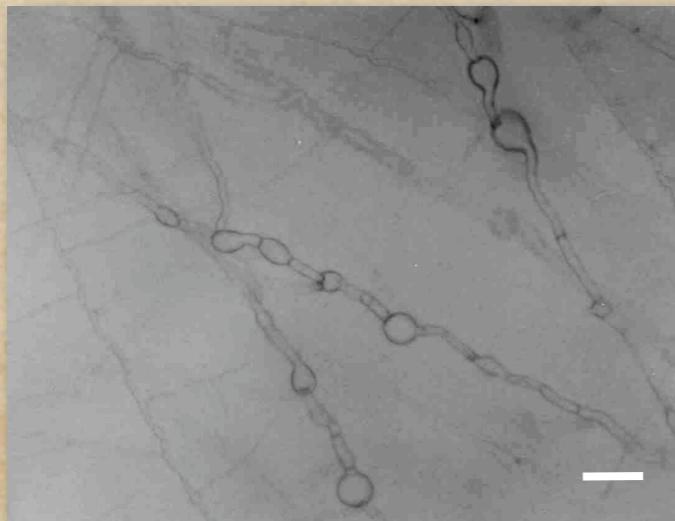
Wild type



$\Delta csmA$



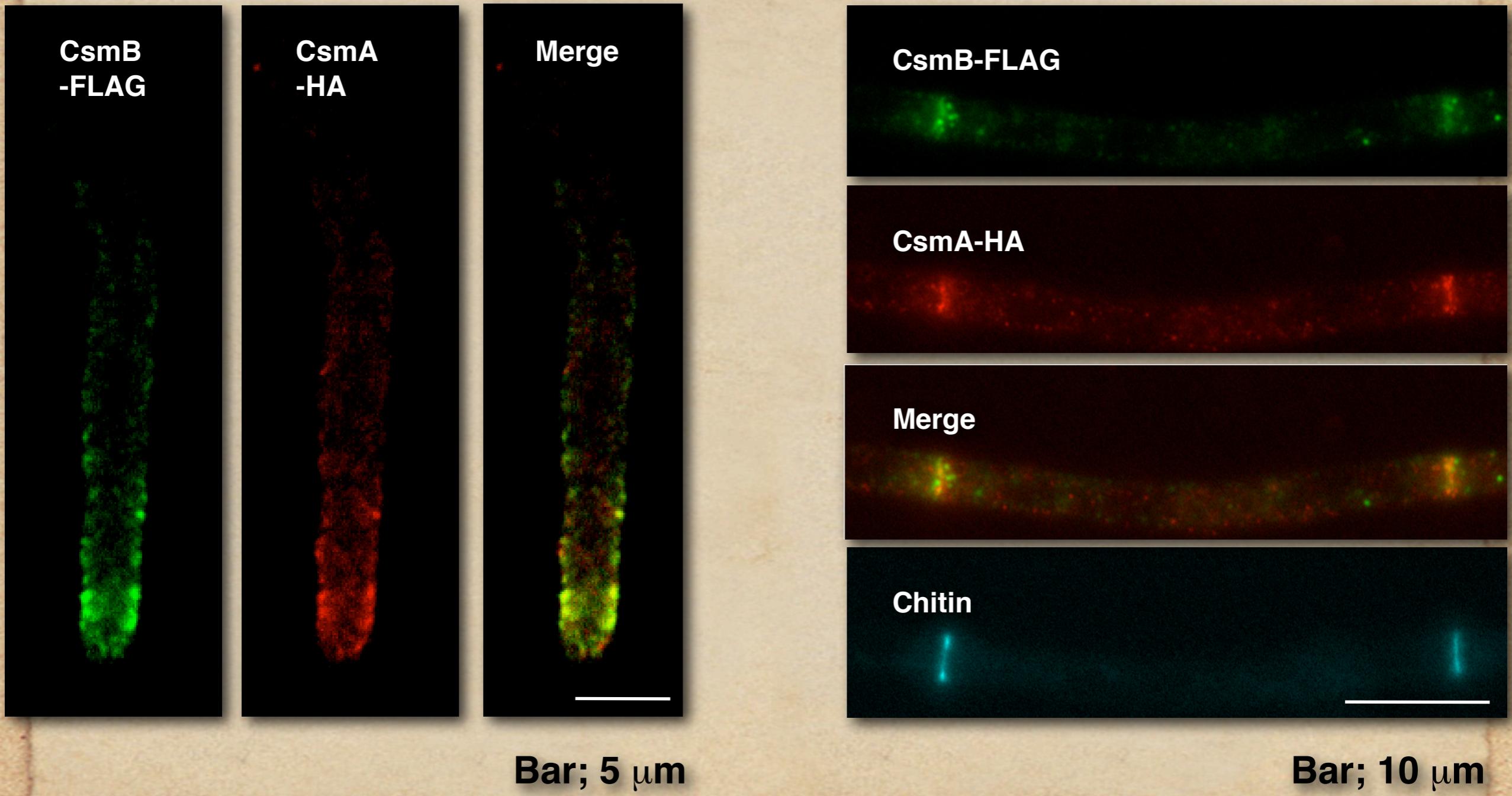
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Bars; 2 μm

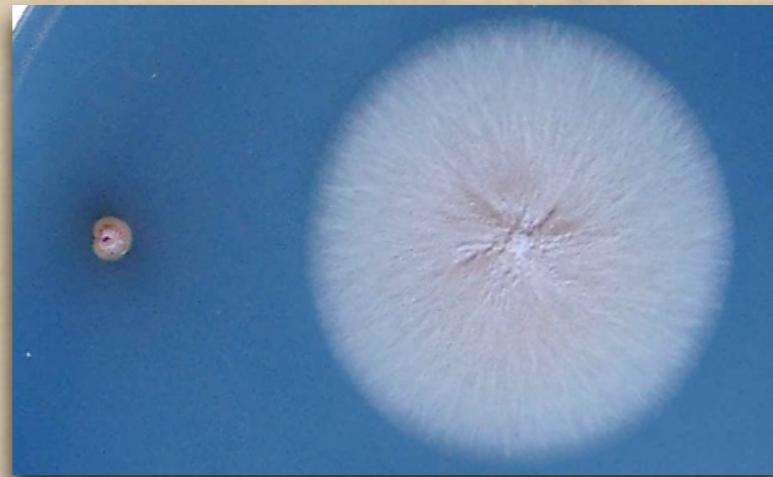
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Localization of CsmA-HA and CsmB-FLAG in the Hyphal Tip and Forming Septa



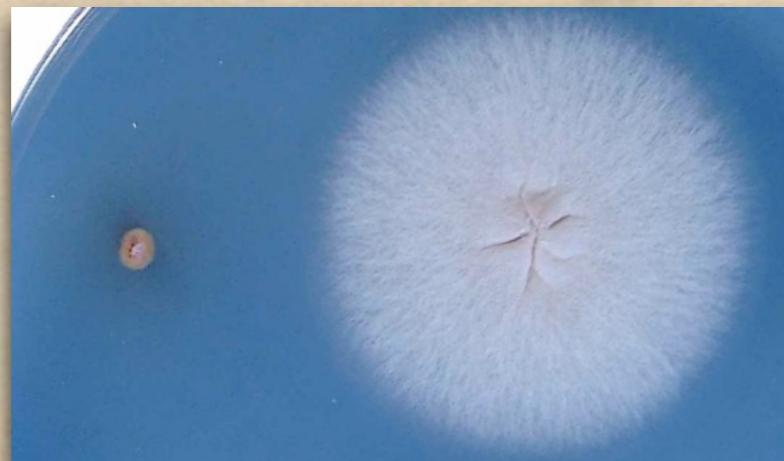
Growth of *chsB* Deletion ($\Delta chsB$) Mutant

$\Delta chsB$ Wild type



YGlu

$\Delta chsB$ Wild type



YGlu +
0.6 M KCl

$\Delta chsB$ Wild type



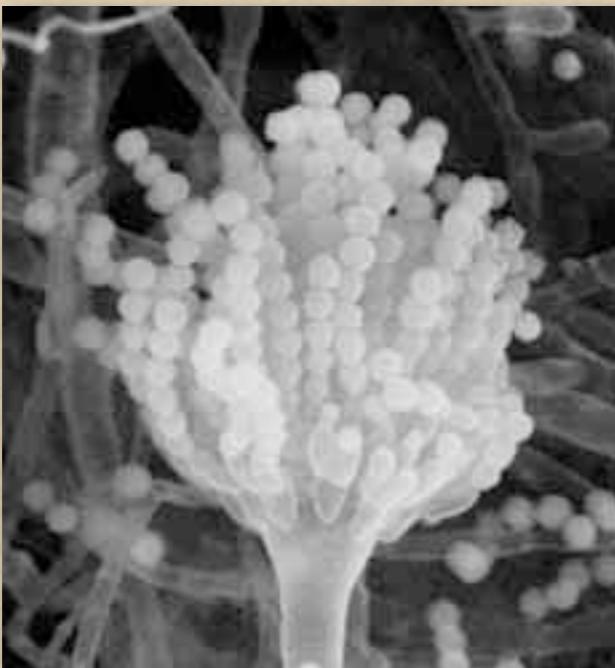
YGlu +
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Phenotypes of the *chsA chsC* Deletion (Δ AC) Mutant

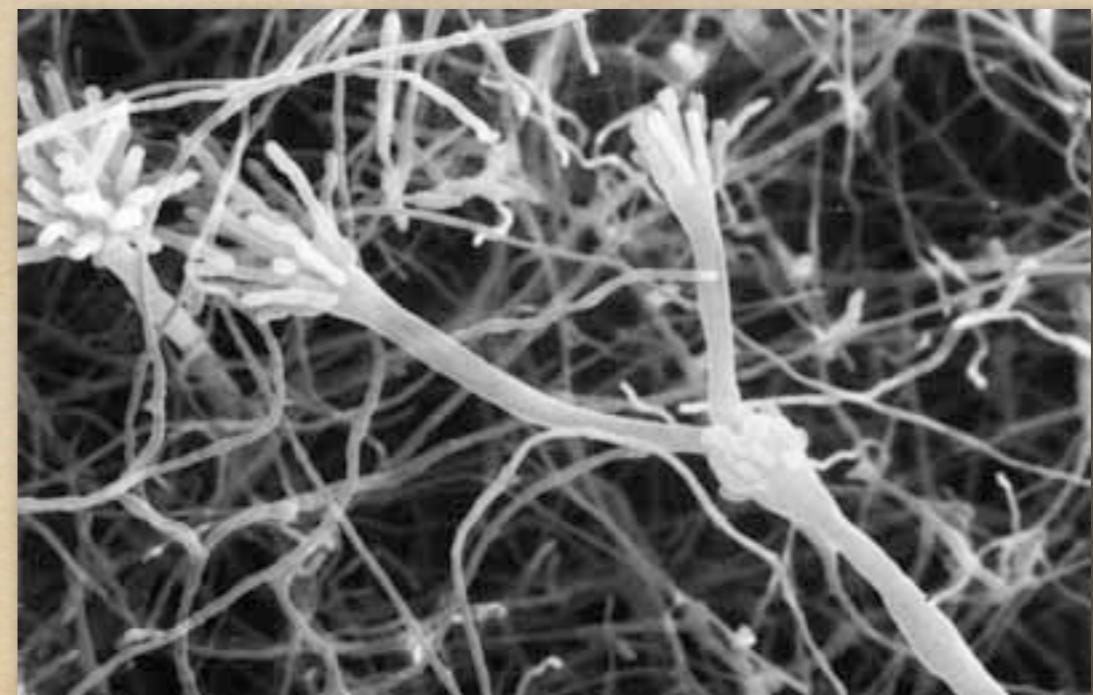
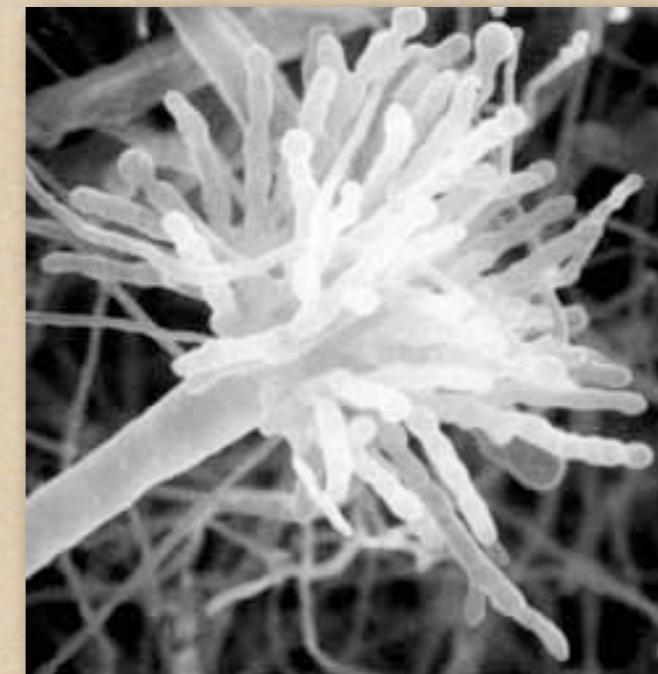
Strain	Phenotype
$\Delta chsC$ (Δ C)	-
$\Delta chsA$ (Δ A)	Slight reduction of conidiation efficiency
$\Delta chsA\Delta chsC$ (Δ AC)	Decrease of hyphal density, growth sensitivity to various reagents and high osmolarity, defects of conidiophore development, reduction of conidiation efficiency

Conidiophor Structures of the *chsA chsC* Double Deletion (Δ AC) Mutant

Wild type

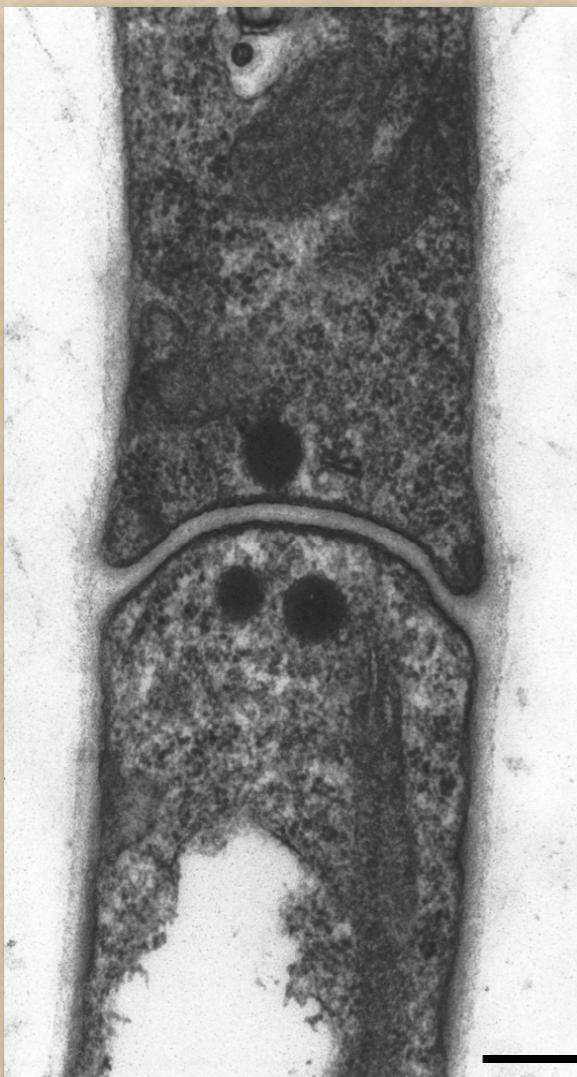


Δ AC



Structures of the Cell Walls and Septa of the *chsA chsC* Deletion (Δ AC) Mutant

Wild type

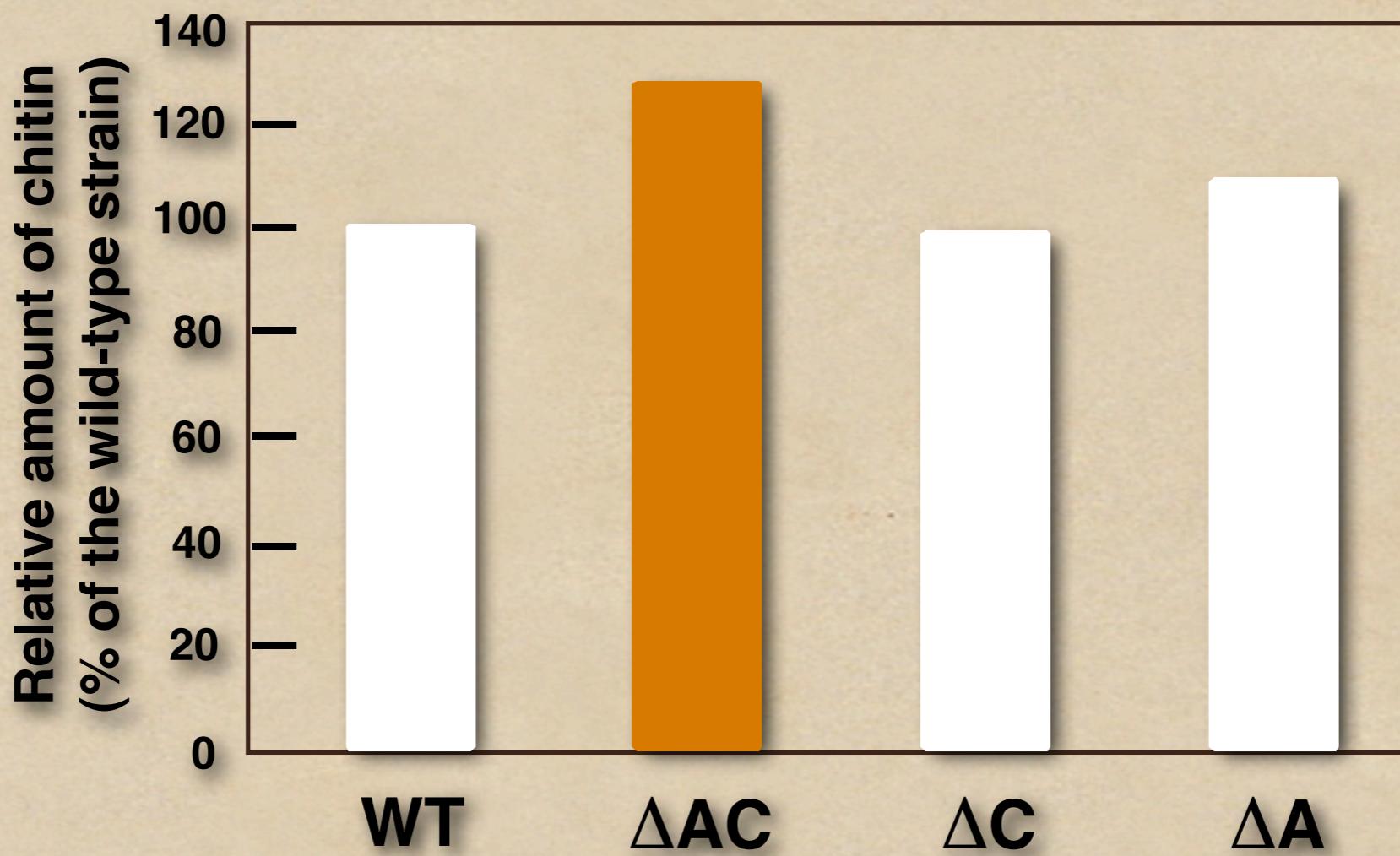


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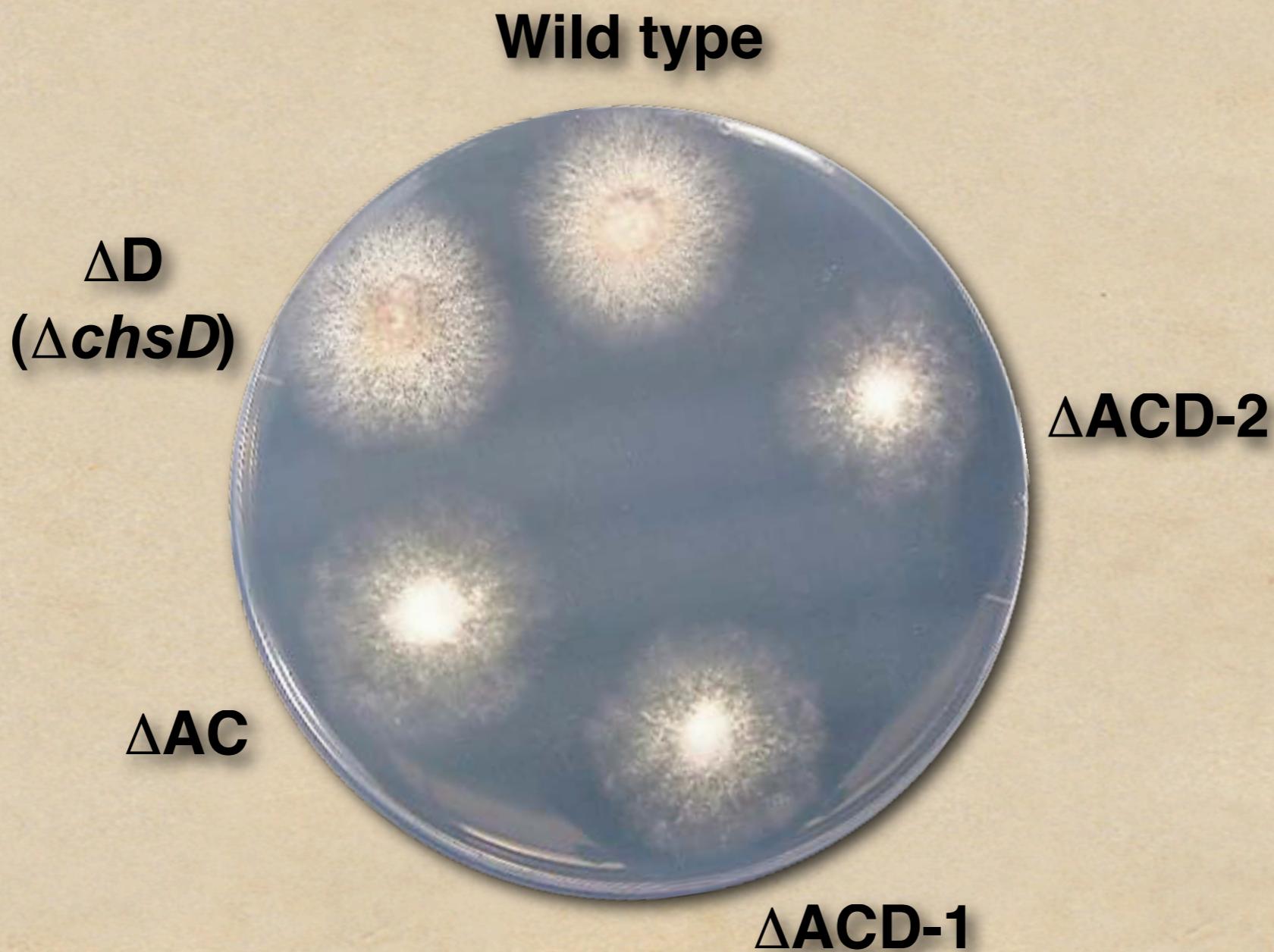


Bars; 0.25 μ m

Chitin Contents of *chs* Deletion Mutants



Growth of the *chsA chsC chsD* Triple Deletion (Δ ACD) Mutant

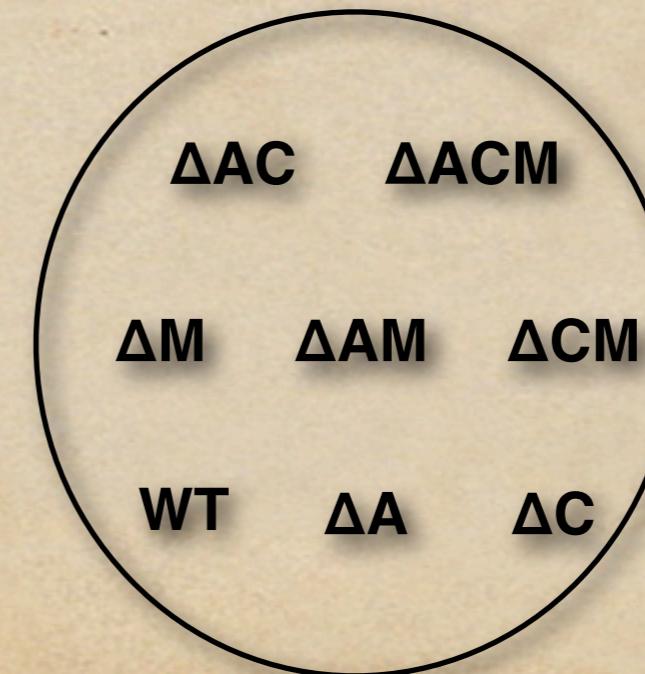
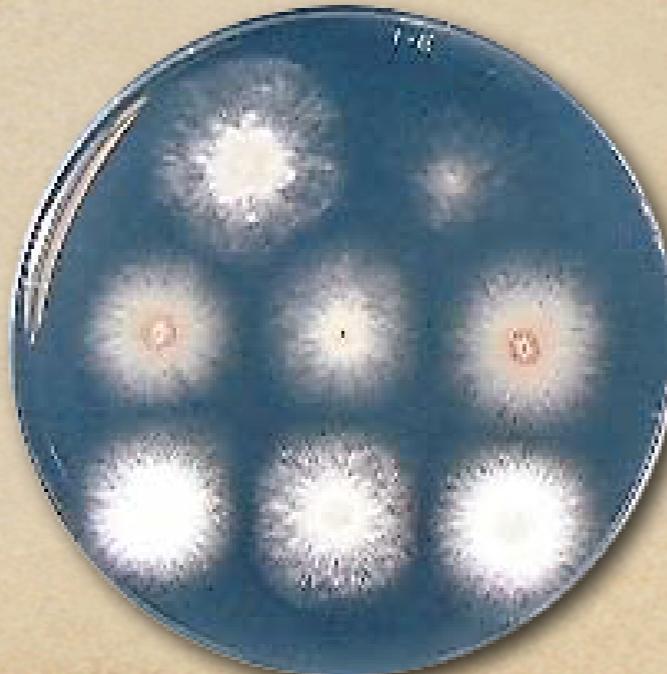


Growth of the *chsA chsC csmA* Triple Deletion (Δ ACM) Mutant

1/2 YGuu



YGuu
+ 1.0 M sorbitol



Functions of Chitin Synthases in the Hyphal Growth of *A. nidulans*

Low osmotic condition

ChsA ChsB

CsmA CsmB

Cell wall integrity

ChsB Tip growth

High osmotic condition

CsmA CsmB

ChsA ChsB

Cell wall integrity

ChsB Tip growth