

1 *Mycena* genomes resolve the evolution of fungal bioluminescence

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24 **Abstract**

25 Mushroom-forming fungi in the order Agaricales represent an independent origin of
26 bioluminescence in the tree of life, yet the diversity, evolutionary history, and timing of
27 the origin of fungal luciferases remain elusive. We sequenced the genomes and
28 transcriptomes of five bonnet mushroom species (*Mycena* spp.), a diverse lineage
29 comprising the majority of bioluminescent fungi. We show that bioluminescence
30 evolved in the common ancestor of *Mycena* spp. and the marasmioid clade of
31 Agaricales and was maintained through at least 160 million years of evolution. We
32 revealed *Mycena* exhibit two-speed genomes and resolve how the luciferase cluster was
33 derived by duplication and translocation, frequently rearranged and lost in most *Mycena*
34 species, but conserved in the *Armillaria* lineage. Luciferase cluster members were co-
35 expressed across developmental stages, with highest expression in fruiting body caps
36 and stipes, suggesting fruiting-related adaptive functions. Our results contribute to
37 understanding a *de novo* origin of bioluminescence and the corresponding gene cluster
38 in a diverse group of enigmatic fungal species.

39 The genus *Mycena* (Pers.) Roussel, comprises approximately 600 small mushroom
40 species widely distributed around the world¹. Also known as bonnet mushrooms,
41 *Mycena* species are usually characterised by a bell-shaped cap, a thin stem (**Fig. 1a**),
42 and a gilled or poroid hymenophore². *Mycena* also have a diversity of life history
43 strategies; while many species are saprotrophic, they can be pathogens as well as
44 mycorrhizal³. Despite its vast diversity of lifestyles and phenotypes, there are many
45 outstanding questions concerning the basic biology, ecology and genomics of this genus.
46 One particular fascinating trait is bioluminescence, which more than half of the 81
47 recorded luminescent fungi belong to *Mycena*⁴. Yet, bioluminescence occurs only in a
48 small percentage of this genus, suggesting an intricate loss/gain history and potential
49 convergence within the genus.

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51 Fungal light emission involves two main steps. First, a luciferin precursor of hispidin
52 is hydroxylated by hispidin-3-hydroxylase (H3H) into 3-hydroxyhispidin (luciferin)⁵.
53 Oxygen is then added to the luciferin by luciferase, producing a high energy
54 intermediate which is subsequently decomposed, yielding light emission. Previously,
55 Kotlobady *et al.* have identified the fungal luciferase, which is physically adjacent to
56 these enzymes and forms a gene cluster containing luciferase, hispidin synthase and
57 H3H⁶. This cluster was found to be conserved across bioluminescent fungi of three
58 lineages: *Armillaria*, mycenoid and *Omphalotus*⁶. Phylogeny reconstruction suggested
59 that luciferase originated in early Agaricales. *Armillaria* and *Omphalotus* belong to the
60 marasmioid clade, whereas *Mycena* was recently found to be sister of the marasmioid
61 clade⁷. Recent genome sequencing efforts in the marasmioid clade revealed diverse
62 genomic and life history traits, including genome expansion and pathogenicity in
63 *Armillaria* spp.⁸, novel wood decay strategies⁹ or fruiting body development¹⁰.
64 Genomes of two *Mycena* species were sequenced⁶, however, the fragmented assemblies
65 (N50 5.8–16.7 kb) impeded comparative genomic analyses of features such as synteny¹¹.
66 These resources provide a substrate for studies of genome evolution and of
67 bioluminescence in fungi, however, several key questions are still unknown from an
68 evolutionary perspective. Here, we set out to identify novel genes involved in
69 bioluminescence, understand how the luciferase cluster was lost or retained, and
70 whether there are levels of variation in this cluster across these lineages.

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72 To gain insights into the evolution of fungal bioluminescence and the ecology of
73 mycenoid, we sequenced the genomes of four bioluminescent (*Mycena chlorophos*, *M.*
74 *kentingensis*, *M. sanguinolenta* and *M. venus*) and one non-bioluminescent (*M.*
75 *indigotica*) species. We conducted comparative genomics with representative genomes
76 of all bioluminescent fungal clades, putting particular emphasis on genome-wide

77 synteny to investigate the evolutionary dynamics of the luciferase gene cluster through
78 hundreds of millions of years. The variability in genome sizes among *Mycena* is likely
79 associated with the differential expansion of repeats in the genomes, potentially due to
80 the differential control on repeat activity by DNA methylation. The transcriptome of
81 bioluminescent mycelium correctly revealed the luciferase cluster and co-expression
82 analyses identified further genes that may be relevant to bioluminescence and
83 development. Based on comparative analyses from fifteen available genomes of
84 bioluminescent fungi, we reconstructed and presented a model for evolution of fungal
85 bioluminescence.

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87 **Results**

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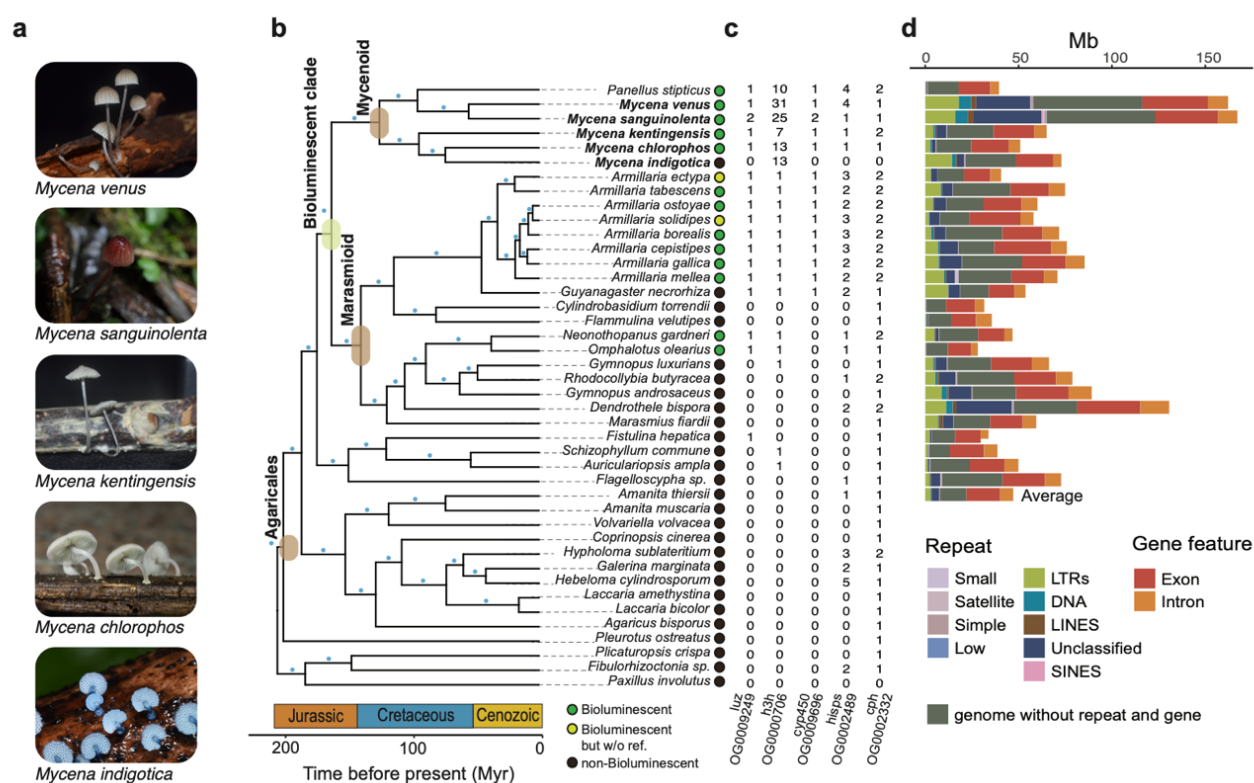
89 **Assemblies and annotations of five *Mycena* species**

90 We sequenced the genomes of the bioluminescent fungi *Mycena chlorophos*, *M.*
91 *kentingensis*, *M. sanguinolenta* and *M. venus*, as well as the non-bioluminescent *M.*
92 *indigotica* (**Fig. 1a**). These species were chosen for their phylogenetic positions
93 (Supplementary Fig. 1) and because they displayed different bioluminescence
94 intensities. An assembly was produced for each species using a combination of Illumina
95 and Oxford Nanopore reads (Supplementary Table 1). The nuclear genomes were 50.9–
96 167.2 Mb with two amongst the largest for the Agaricales. The assemblies consisted of
97 30–155 contigs with N50 4.1–17.8 Mb (Supplementary Table 2), which were
98 comparable to representative fungal reference assemblies and allowed for synteny
99 comparisons¹¹. Stretches of TTAGGG hexamers were identified at the end of scaffolds,
100 indicating telomeric repeats commonly found in Agaricales^{12,13}. The largest scaffolds
101 in *M. indigotica* and *M. kentingensis* were telomere-to-telomere, indicating gapless
102 chromosomes. Mitochondrial genomes in these species were assembled into single
103 circular contigs of 88.3–133 kb (Supplementary Fig. 2).

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105 Using a combination of reference fungal protein homology support and mycelium
106 transcriptome sequencing (Supplementary Table 3), 13,940–26,334 protein encoding
107 genes were predicted in the *Mycena* genomes using MAKER2¹⁴ pipeline, and were
108 92.1–94.8% complete (Supplementary Table 2) based on BUSCO¹⁵ analysis. Orthology
109 inference using Orthofinder^{16,17} placed these genes models and those of 37 other
110 basidiomycetes genomes (Supplementary Table 4) into 22,244 orthologous groups
111 (OGs; Supplementary Table 5). Of these OGs, 44.3% contained at least one orthologue
112 from other basidiomycete, while 15–29% of the proteomes were found exclusively in
113 each *Mycena* species (Supplementary Table 6). The genome sizes were positively
114 correlated with proteome sizes, with the largest (*M. sanguinolenta*) and smallest (*M.*

115 *chlorophos*) varying two- and three-fold, respectively. Interestingly, the mitochondrial
 116 genomes were larger in species with smaller genomes, and this was due to various genes
 117 having gained an extensive number of introns (Supplementary Fig. 2). We assessed
 118 orthologous group evolution by analysing OG distribution dynamics along a time-
 119 calibrated phylogeny using CAFÉ¹⁸. Gene family changes were comparable to those of
 120 other branches of Agaricales. A total of 589 orthologous groups were expanded at the
 121 origin of the mycenoid lineage (Supplementary Fig. 3). Analysis of gene ontology terms
 122 showed that these genes were enriched in iron ion binding, transferase activity, DNA-
 123 binding transcription factor activity, and monooxygenase and dioxygenase activities,
 124 suggesting that these genes were necessary for mycenoid species adapting to different
 125 environments (Supplementary Table 7).
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129 **Fig. 1| Phylogenomic analysis of *Mycena* and related fungi.** **a**, The five species sequenced
 130 in this study. **b**, Species trees inferred from a concatenated supermatrix of the gene alignments
 131 using the 360 single-copy orthogroups. X-axis denotes divergence time estimates. Blue dot on
 132 a branch indicates a bootstrap value > 90. **c**, Gene copy number in the orthologous groups (OG)
 133 associated with luciferin biosynthesis pathway including luciferase (*luz*), hispidin-3-
 134 hydroxylase (*h3h*), hispidin synthase (*hisps*), cytochrome P450 (*cyp450*) and caffeylpyruvate
 135 hydrolase (*cph*). **d**, Genome sizes for 42 species broken down by repeat types and gene features.

136 Averaged content in the genomes of 14 outgroup species are indicated as one bar. Repeats
137 including transposable elements (TEs): long terminal repeats (LTRs), long interspersed nuclear
138 elements (LINES), short interspersed nuclear elements (SINEs), DNA transposons (DNA), and
139 other types of repeats: small RNA (Small), simple repeats (Simple), and low complexity repeats
140 (Low).

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142 **A single origin of bioluminescent fungi in the ancestor of *Mycena* and the** 143 **marasmioid clade**

144 Phylogenomic analyses based on single-copy orthologue sets have placed *Mycena*
145 sister to the marasmioid clade, including *Armillaria* and *Omphalotus*, which are the
146 other two lineages in which bioluminescent species have been identified. This species
147 phylogeny was recovered in both maximum likelihood analysis¹⁹ of a concatenated
148 supermatrix of single-copy gene alignments (**Fig. 1b**) and coalescent-based analysis
149 using the 360 gene trees²⁰ (Supplementary Fig. 4). In our four bioluminescent *Mycena*
150 species, we identified genes involved in luciferin biosynthesis and their orthologues
151 across species (**Fig. 1c**). Phylogenies of individual gene families were congruent with
152 the species tree (Supplementary Fig. 5 (a–e)). In contrast to a previous report⁶, our
153 results suggest that the functional luciferase originated in the last common ancestor of
154 mycenoid and marasmioid clade rather than in that of the Agaricales (**Fig. 1b**). The
155 ancestral luciferase was initially duplicated in the last common ancestor of this large
156 group and Schizophyllaceae and subsequently acquired bioluminescence ability after
157 speciation (**Fig. 1c**; Supplementary Fig. 5a). Using MCMCtree²¹ with three fossil
158 calibrations, we estimated the age of mycenoid most recent common ancestor to be
159 105–147 million years ago (Mya) in the Cretaceous (**Fig. 1b**). This is consistent with
160 recent estimates (78–110⁷ and mean 125¹ Mya) and overlaps with the initial rise and
161 diversification of angiosperms²², suggesting that they are ecologically associated with
162 fungi acting as saprotrophs or mycorrhizal partners³. Finally, the age of
163 bioluminescence which was also the age of functional luciferase in fungi was estimated
164 to originate around 160 million years ago during the late Jurassic (**Fig. 1b**).

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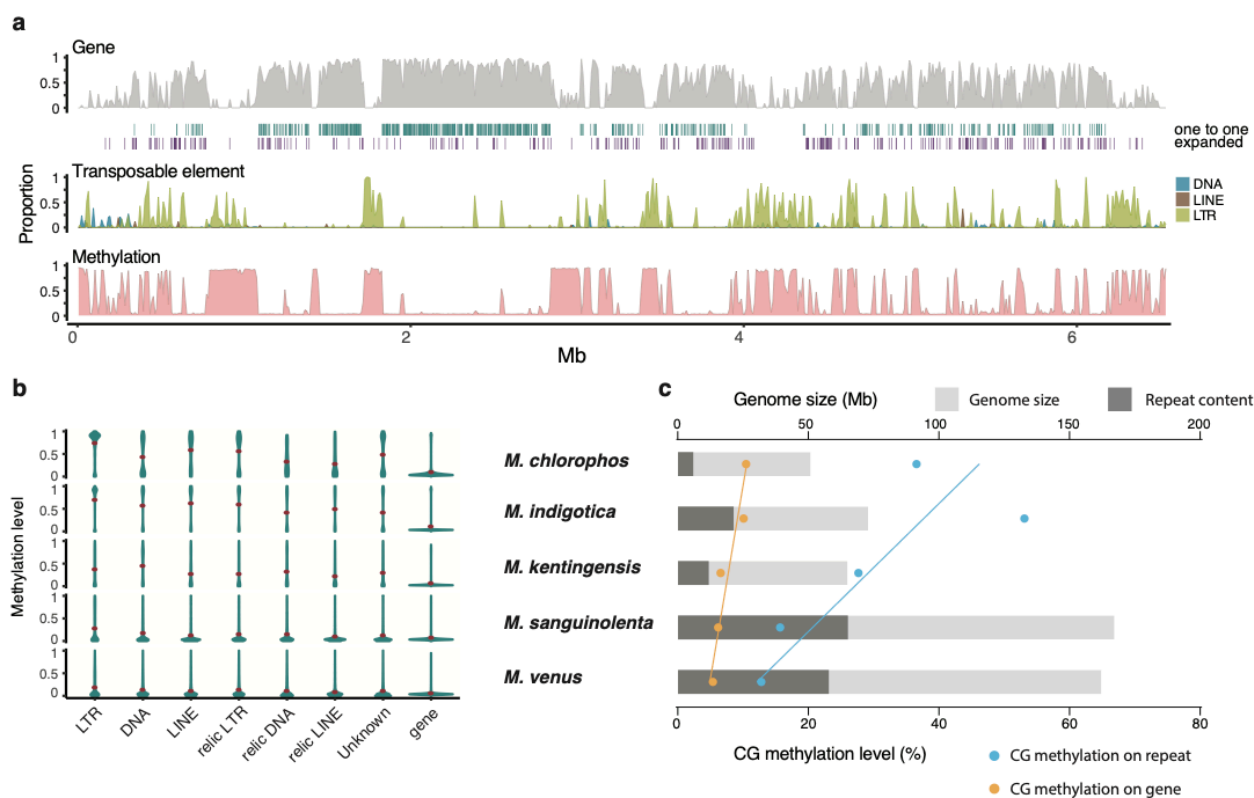
166 **Interplay between transposable elements and DNA methylation in *Mycena***

167 Similar to other fungal genomes^{23,24}, much of the variation in the *Mycena* nuclear
168 genome can be explained by repetitive DNA content (Supplementary Table 8). Only
169 11.7% of the smallest genome (*M. chlorophos*) was repeats, which is in stark contrast
170 to the 39.0% and 35.7% in *M. sanguinolenta* and *M. venus*, respectively. The majority
171 of transposable elements in *Mycena* were long terminal repeats (LTRs) retrotransposons
172 (60–85%), followed by DNA transposable elements (11%–24%) (**Fig. 1d** and
173 Supplementary Table 8). Interestingly, the larger genomes of *M. sanguinolenta* and *M.*

174 *venus* contained the lowest proportion of LTRs (24.9 and 31.1%, respectively), but
175 highest proportion of unclassified repeats (55.4 and 50.3%, respectively)
176 (Supplementary Table 8). 16.6–36.5% of the unclassified repeat families shared 53.8–
177 60.5% nucleotide identity with known transposable elements, suggesting they were
178 degenerated copies which we defined as relic TEs (Supplementary Table 9). **Fig. 2a**
179 shows that the largest assembled chromosome of *M. indigotica* exhibits high protein-
180 coding gene content and low transposable element density at scaffold centres, which is
181 typical of fungal chromosomes^{25,26}. Such observations were consistent across large
182 *Mycena* scaffolds (typically >1 Mb), suggesting that our assemblies were robust enough
183 to capture evolutionary dynamics across chromosomes.

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185 We detected DNA methylation levels of 5-methylcytosine (5mC) across the five
186 *Mycena* assemblies using Nanopore long reads. CG sites were found either highly
187 (mCG level >60%) or weakly methylated (<15%) in gene body, displaying a bimodal
188 distribution (Supplementary Fig. 6). Such a bimodal distribution has also been observed
189 in plants, animals, and other fungi, including *Tuber melanosporum* and
190 *Pseudogymnoascus destructans*²⁷⁻³². Within *Mycena*, the CG methylation in genes
191 (5.4–10.5%) was much lower than that in repeats—i.e., TEs and unclassified repeats
192 (11.6–84.5%) (**Fig. 2b**; Supplementary Table 10)—suggesting that DNA methylation
193 may have a specific effect on repeats. Except for DNA transposons in *M. kentingensis*,
194 LTR retrotransposons had the highest CG methylation levels of all types of transposable
195 elements (**Fig. 2b**). Furthermore, CG methylation in relic TEs was clearly lower than
196 that in classic TEs (Supplementary Table 10). Among the *Mycena* species, we found
197 that *M. sanguinolenta* and *M. venus* with larger genomes and higher repeat content had
198 lower levels of methylation in the repeats, and the repeat methylation was much higher
199 in *M. indigotica*, *M. chlorophos*, and *M. kentingensis*, which have smaller genomes (**Fig.**
200 **2c**). The same pattern was also observed in genes, though they had fewer changes in
201 their methylation level than did repeats. Our results indicate that the variant
202 composition of repeats is differentially mediated by DNA methylation among closely-
203 related *Mycena* species. Hence, genome expansion in *Mycena* was likely a result
204 associated with transposable element proliferation and the accumulation of relic TEs,
205 which yielded reduced methylation in active copies; this is also observed in some plants,
206 e.g., *Arabis alpine*³³ and *Manihot esculenta*³⁴.

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210 **Fig. 2| Distribution of *Mycena* genome features.** **a**, *M. indigotica* chromosome one. For every
 211 non-overlapping 10-kb window, the distributions from top to bottom are: (1) Gene density
 212 (percentage of nucleotides coverage). Stripes under this window denotes gene positions. Green
 213 stripe: gene containing single-copy orthologue with *M. chlorophos*. Purple stripe: gene
 214 expansion in individual species identified by CAFÉ. (2) Density of transposable elements (TEs),
 215 including LTRs, LINES, and DNA. (3) Average methylation level called from CpG sites per
 216 window. The high methylation window generally clustered in high TE regions with low gene
 217 density. **b**, The methylation level in genes and different types of repeats. **c**, The relationships
 218 among genome size, number of repeats and CG methylation levels in *Mycena*.

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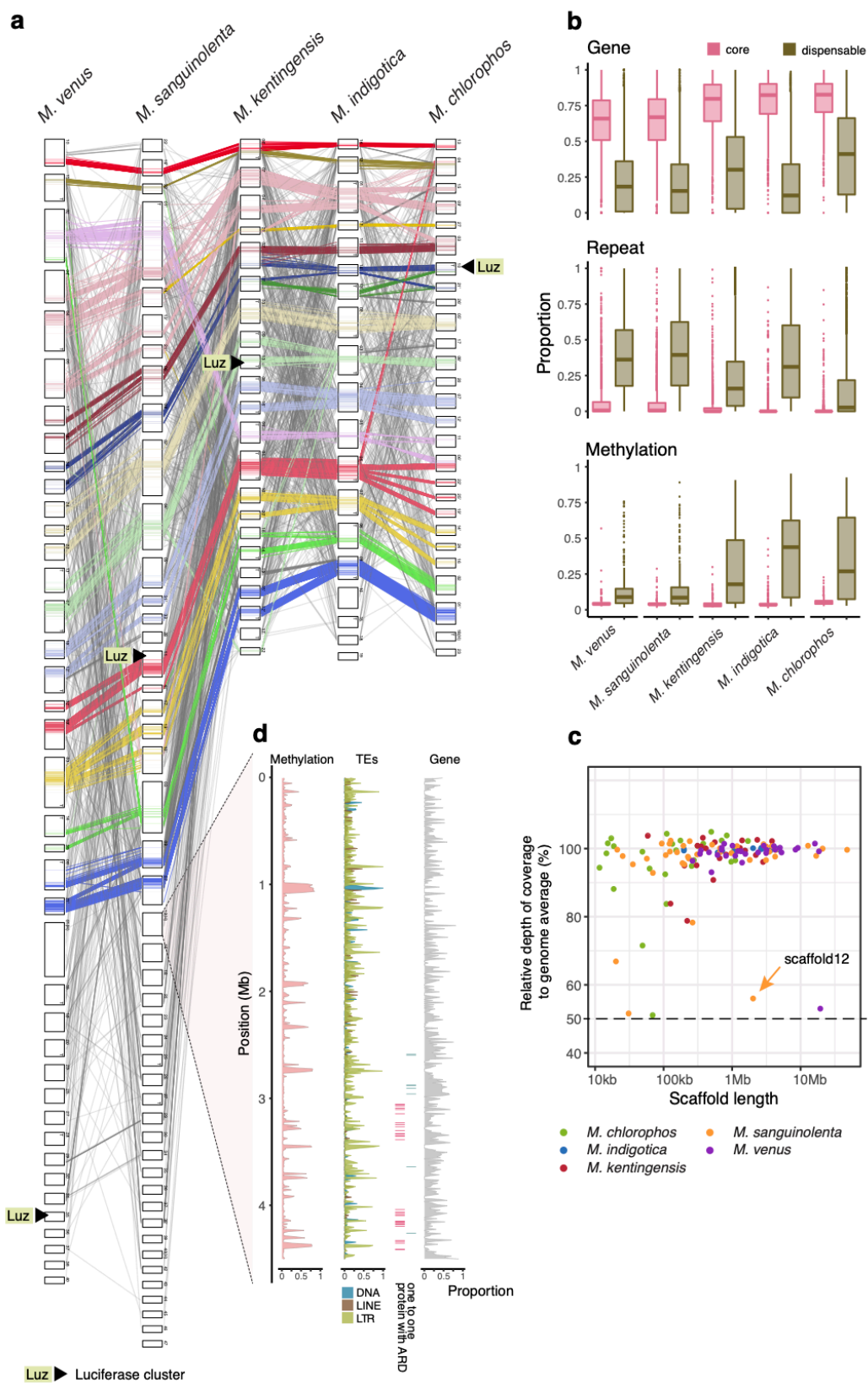
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229 Core/dispensable genome partitioning based on synteny

230 We compared the patterns of 4,452 single-copy orthologue pairs between assemblies of
231 *Mycena indigotica* and *Armillaria ectypa* (Supplementary Fig. 7). The majority of
232 scaffolds between the two species were assigned to one-one relationship
233 unambiguously, providing strong evidence that macro-synteny has been conserved
234 between the marasmioid and mycenoid clades. There was no evidence of whole genome
235 duplication events. Such chromosome-level synteny is also conserved in the common
236 ancestor of Agaricales (Supplementary Fig. 8). The *M. indigotica* scaffolds typically
237 exhibit high orthologous gene density in the centres of scaffolds (**Fig. 2a**), and multi-
238 genome comparison showed that synteny conservation was lost across the *Mycena*
239 assemblies. Based on differential synteny exhibited across genomes, we further
240 partitioned the scaffolds into core and dispensable regions (Methods). **Fig. 3a** shows
241 that the core regions were typically at the scaffold centres of the *Mycena* species. In
242 contrast, the dispensable regions can extend to a few mega-bases, even to entire
243 scaffolds, as was the case for the largest (12.0 Mb) assembled scaffold of *M. venus* (**Fig.**
244 **3a**). These dispensable regions are highly enriched in repeats; they have a 3–8-fold
245 higher methylation level and are overrepresented in expanded and contracted OGs
246 compared to the core regions (**Fig 3b**; Supplementary Table 11; two-proportions z-test,
247 $P < 2.2E-16$). Expansions and contractions were 3.5–6.7 and 2–3.5-fold higher in the
248 dispensable regions, respectively. The observation that half the relative sequence
249 coverage was independent to other scaffolds suggests that some of these dispensable
250 scaffolds have aneuploidy (**Fig. 3c**). Two large scaffolds (>1Mb) displaying half the
251 relative depth of coverage were present in *M. venus* (scaffold01; 12 Mb) and *M.*
252 *sanguinolenta* (scaffold12; 4.5 Mb), both of which have larger genome sizes compared
253 to other species. Interestingly, these scaffolds exhibit higher repeat content with reduced
254 methylation level, as well as expanded proteins which resembles the lineage-specific
255 chromosomes observed in some fungi³⁵. For example, scaffold12 of *M. sanguinolenta*
256 contains 32 copies of expanded ARD domain (PF03079) encoded by 31 proteins, which
257 is involved in the methionine salvage pathway modulating cell division³⁶ (**Fig. 3d**).
258 Together, these results suggest that some *Mycena* genomes possessed two-speed
259 genomes similar to filamentous pathogenic fungi where genomes are
260 compartmentalised into gene-dense and gene-sparse regions enriched in transposable
261 elements³⁷. Differential gain and loss of genes in the dispensable regions may have
262 important implications for *Mycena*.

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266 **Fig. 3| The core and dispensable regions of scaffolds and anchoring for the four *Mycena***
267 **species scaffolds to *M. indigotica* reference genomes. a,** Schematic representation of the
268 inter-scaffold relationship between species. The links between scaffolds denoted the pairwise
269 single-copy orthologues with closest related species. The core (coloured region in box) and
270 dispensable regions in each scaffold were defined by the consecutive genes with less than 90
271 percent genetic distance to the adjacent one. The black triangle denotes the luciferase cluster.
272 **b,** The gene density, repeat density and methylation level in core or dispensable regions. The
273 gene and repeat densities are calculated from the non-overlapping 10-kb window located in
274 the core or dispensable regions. The methylation level was calculated from the mean CG
275 methylation level in core or dispensable regions. **c,** Sequence coverage was measured by the
276 average number of reads that aligned to known reference bases per 10-kb non-overlapping
277 windows with mosdepth³⁸. Sequence coverage across scaffolds were normalized by the
278 median coverage. The windows with more than 25% TEs were omitted. The coverage of each
279 scaffold is normalized by the median coverage among the scaffolds longer than N90 in five
280 species, except the Msan.scaffold36, which has 4-fold higher coverage than median coverage.
281 **d,** Scaffold12 of *M. sanguinolenta* with expansion of proteins with the ARD domain. For
282 every non-overlapping 10-kb window, the distribution from right to left is: (1) Density
283 (percentage of nucleotides coverage) of gene. Green stripe denotes a gene containing single-
284 copy orthologue with *M. venus*. Red stripe denotes the proteins with the ARD domain. (2)
285 Density of transposable elements (TEs) including LTRs, LINES and DNA. (3) Average
286 methylation level called from CpG sites per window.

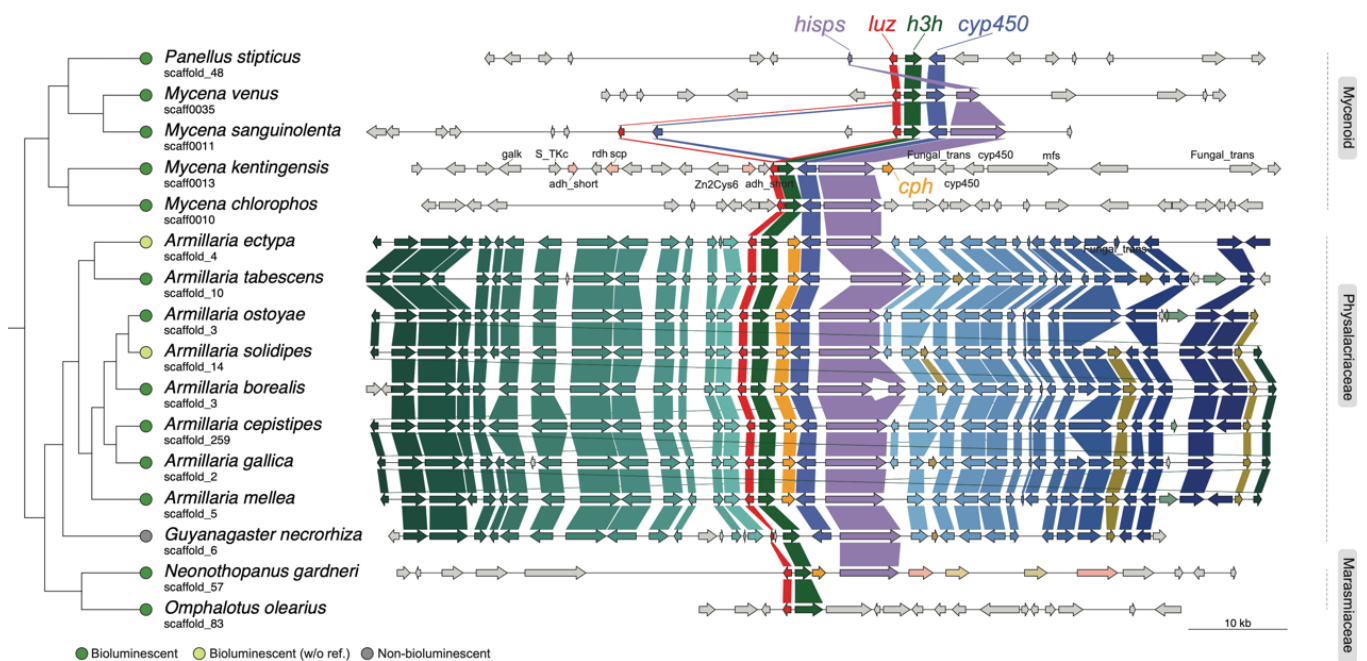
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288 **Evolutionary dynamics of luciferase clusters**

289 One of the previous challenges in addressing the evolution of fungal bioluminescence
290 was that the bioluminescent species were scattered across the mycenoid and
291 marasmioid clades, and this could only be explained by frequent loss of luciferase
292 clusters. We used all the highly contiguous assemblies across the bioluminescent
293 lineages in hand to investigate synteny around the luciferase cluster (**Fig. 4**). The genes
294 surrounding the luciferase cluster among the eight *Armillaria* species generally shared
295 the same order, but collinearity was partially lost in *G. necrorhiza* (**Fig. 4**). We
296 reconstructed the ancestral upstream and downstream gene synteny of the *Armillaria*
297 luciferase cluster and found that each belonged to different core regions of the same
298 chromosome, suggesting that these regions were previously rearranged—including the
299 luciferase cluster—and were subsequently retained (Supplementary Fig. 10).

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304 **Fig. 4| Synteny around the luciferase cluster among bioluminescent fungi.** The orthologous
 305 groups (OGs) shared by at least two species were labelled with the same colour, regardless of
 306 their orientation. The *cph* gene in some species was located in other scaffolds (Supplementary
 307 Fig. 9)

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309 In contrast, the *Mycena* luciferase cluster was identified in the dispensable regions of
 310 different linkage groups (**Fig. 3a**), suggesting that the location of the cluster was
 311 extensively rearranged since the common ancestor of this lineage. A physical linkage
 312 was only maintained in the luciferase cluster, but no synteny was found in adjacent
 313 genes (**Fig. 4**). Variations were common amongst the markup of the luciferase cluster.
 314 The majority of the *Mycena* luciferase clusters included luciferase (*luz*), hispidin-3-
 315 hydroxylase (*h3h*), cytochrome P450 (*cyp450*), and hispidin synthase (*hisps*) (**Fig. 4**).
 316 caffeylpyruvate hydrolase (*cph*) was located in different scaffolds in four of the five
 317 *Mycena* species (Supplementary Fig. 9). In *M. sanguinolenta*, *luz* and *cyp450* were
 318 duplicated adjacent to the luciferase cluster (**Fig. 4**). Losses were observed in different
 319 positions of the phylogeny. The non-bioluminescent *M. indigotica* lost the entire
 320 luciferase cluster, but an *h3h* homologues were found in other regions of the genome,
 321 while *Guyanagaster necrorhiza* has a partial luciferase⁶ and three other enzymes (**Fig.**
 322 **4**), suggesting an independent loss of luciferase function alone was enough for it to lose
 323 its bioluminescence. Selection analysis of genes in the luciferase cluster revealed that
 324 the majority of conserved sites exhibit either no or strong purifying selection, with only
 325 7–28 sites under episodic selection (Supplementary Fig. 11). Together, these results
 326 indicate limited but conserved roles of bioluminescence in the species that have retained

327 bioluminescence.

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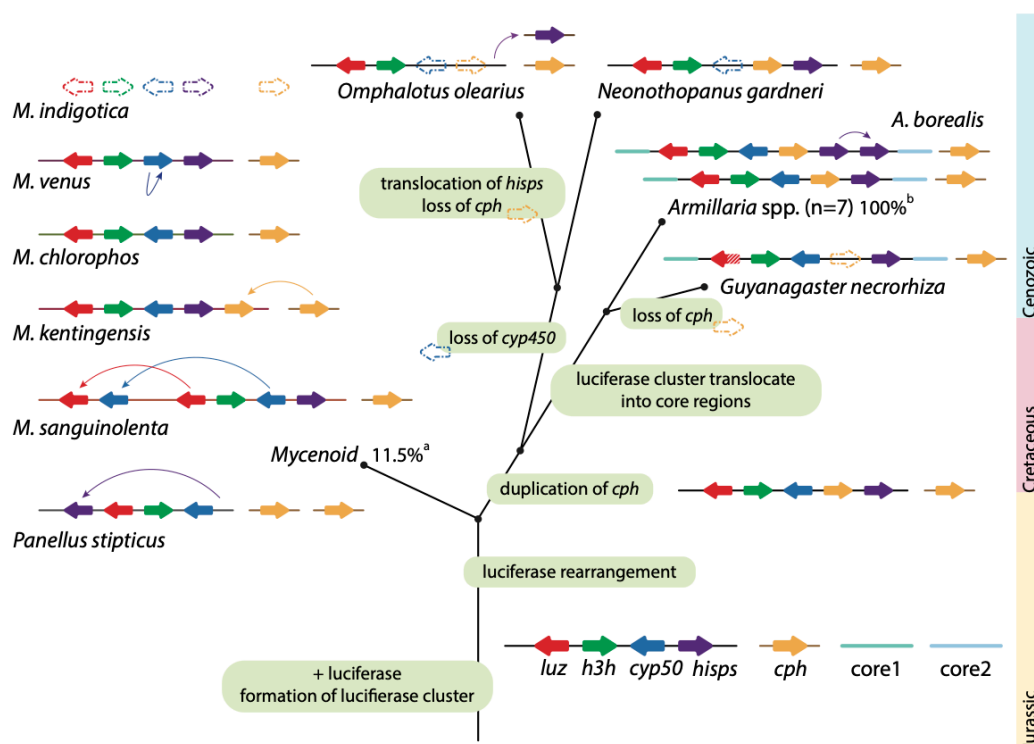
329 These observations lead us to propose a most plausible evolutionary scenario for
330 luciferase cluster evolution across all available bioluminescent fungi genomes (**Fig. 5**).

331 The earliest ancestral state we could infer was a luciferase cluster having consisted of
332 *luz*, *h3h*, *cyp450*, and *hisps*, with *cph*—involved in oxyluciferin recycling^{5,6}—also
333 present in the same chromosome. Such a combination was present in the 14 of the 15
334 bioluminescent species used in this study. The luciferase cluster likely originally
335 formed at the dispensable region. Our model presents two contrasting scenarios by
336 which the luciferase cluster was retained. First, the ancestor of the family
337 Physalacriaceae had its luciferase cluster translocated into the core region. This
338 scenario is based on the uniform observation that all members of *Armillaria* retained
339 the luciferase cluster in their genome, and other members of Physalacriaceae had
340 extended synteny in adjacent genes. The cases of extended synteny, however, were
341 derived from different genomic regions in Agaricales, indicating rearrangements
342 (Supplementary Fig. 10). Second, the luciferase cluster in bioluminescent *Mycena* fungi
343 was conserved, despite being located in a highly rearranged genome partition (**Fig 3a**).
344 Such rearrangements led to higher tendency of loss of luciferase cluster in the mycenoid
345 lineage compared to *Armillaria* species. Additional evidence of rearrangement is that
346 four out of five bioluminescent *Mycena* fungi had at least one gene rearrangement or
347 duplication event compared to their ancestor. Interestingly, we found that *cph* was
348 independently translocated adjacent to the luciferase cluster in both *M. kentingensis* and
349 the ancestor of the marasmioid clade (Supplementary Fig. 12); it was presumably
350 favoured and maintained here by natural selection³⁹.

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352 **Fig. 5| Evolutionary scenario for luciferase cluster evolution.** The formation of the luciferase
353 cluster originated at the dispensable region of the last common ancestor and was susceptible to
354 translocate to different genomic locations through rearrangement. In the ancestor of marasmioid,
355 *cph* was duplicated and translocated into the luciferase cluster. Before the ancestor of the
356 Physalacriaceae family emerged, the luciferase cluster was translocated into the core region
357 and have since kept its synteny in the *Armillaria* lineage. In the most recent common ancestor
358 of *Mycena* species, the luciferase cluster was located in the dispensable region and have since
359 been susceptible to further rearrangement. Arrow box indicates gene. The dashed arrow box
360 denotes the loss of gene. Fishhook arrow denotes translocation event. ^a Percentage of
361 bioluminescent fungi found in the mycenoid lineage⁴⁰. ^b Percentage of bioluminescent fungi
362 found in *Armillaria* lineage⁴¹.

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366 Expression profile of luciferase cluster and identification of conserved genes 367 involved in fungal bioluminescence

368 Fungal bioluminescence is believed to have ecological roles, such as attracting insects
369 and regulated by circadian rhythms⁴²; however, the repertoire of genes involved in
370 bioluminescence are still unknown. We carried out transcriptome profiling between
371 mycelia with different bioluminescent intensities in four *Mycena* species, and identified
372 genes that were either differentially expressed or positively correlated with
373 bioluminescent intensities (Methods). There were 29 OGs found to contain upregulated
374 gene members in all four *Mycena* species (Fig. 1c and Fig. 6a), including *luz*, *h3h*, and
375 *hisps*, consistent with that bioluminescence expression depends on the expression of
376 these three genes in the luciferase cluster. In particular, *luz* expression was significantly
377 different between two tissues with relative high and low bioluminescence in *M.*
378 *kentingensis* (log fold change (logFC) 3.0; adjusted $P < 0.001$) and *M. chlorophos*
379 (logFC 4.7; adjusted $P < 0.001$); there was also a significant correlation between
380 bioluminescent intensity and expression level in *M. sanguinolenta* (Pearson's
381 correlation coefficient (PCC) 0.82; $P < 0.005$) and *M. venus* (PCC 0.86; $P < 0.005$
382 Supplementary Table 12). In *M. chlorophos*, however, its *cyp450* and *h3h* in the
383 luciferase cluster were not differentially expressed, and four distant homologues of *h3h*
384 were found to be upregulated (Supplementary Fig. 5b). Although a second copy of *luz*
385 and *cyp450* were found in *M. sanguinolenta*, they showed much lower expression (2
386 and 3 transcripts per million (TPM), respectively) than those in the cluster (282 and 138

387 TPM, respectively). The remaining OGs upregulated in mycelia showing higher
388 bioluminescence included genes involved in ABC transporters and Acetyl-CoA
389 synthetases which also showed a predicted function in metabolic adaptations to
390 bioluminescence in firefly and glowworm^{43,44}. (**Fig. 6a**; Supplementary Table 13). In
391 particular, four OGs were annotated as FAD or NAD(P)-binding domain-containing
392 proteins. As these genes do not bear sequence similarity to *h3h* which is also a
393 NAD(P)H-dependent enzyme, they may likely involve in other biochemical processes
394 that is required during bioluminescence.

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396 Differences in bioluminescent intensity have been recorded in tissues of fungi both in
397 nature^{4,40,41,45,46} and—for *M. kentingensis*—in a laboratory environment, in which the
398 life cycle can be completed (**Fig. 6b**). To investigate putative roles of bioluminescence
399 across developmental stages, additional transcriptome profiling was carried out in the
400 primordia, young fruiting body, and cap (pileus) and stipe of the mature fruiting body
401 of *M. kentingensis*. Bioluminescence was stronger in the cap than in the stipe, so we
402 expected the luciferase cluster genes to have higher expression in the cap tissue.
403 However, *luz* and *h3h* showed opposite expression patterns (**Fig. 6c** and Supplementary
404 Table 14), suggesting that there may be other regulators involved in bioluminescence
405 in *M. kentingensis*.

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407 The regulation of bioluminescence in *M. kentingensis* during development was
408 determined by performing a weighted correlation network analysis (WGCNA^{47,48}),
409 which identified 67 modules of co-expressed genes in these stages (Supplementary Fig.
410 14). All members of the luciferase cluster *luz*, *h3h*, *cyp450*, and *hisps* belonged to the
411 same module (Module50; **Fig. 6c**) of 57 genes, suggesting that the expression of the
412 luciferase cluster members are orchestrated during developmental stages. Only two
413 genes belonging to OG0001818 (acid protease) and OG0000000 (short-chain
414 dehydrogenase) which were part of the 29 aforementioned OGs involved in
415 bioluminescence of the mycelium across *Mycena*. Six genes in this module were
416 annotated as carbohydrate-active enzymes (Supplementary Table 15): one GH75
417 (chitosanase), one AA1_2 (Laccase; ferroxidases), two GH16, and two genes with two
418 CBM52. GH16 (glucanases) and AA1 (laccases) are known to be regulated during
419 fruiting body development⁴⁹, implying a possible link between cell wall remodelling
420 during development and bioluminescence. In addition, we re-analysed the
421 transcriptomes of *Armillaria ostoyae* across different developmental stages from Sipos
422 *et al.* (2017)⁸. Consistent with observation that bioluminescence was only observed in
423 mycelia and rhizomorphs in *A. ostoyae*^{50,51}, the expression of *luz*, *h3h*, *cyp450*, and *cph*
424 showed highest expression before the primordia stage (Supplementary Fig. 15).

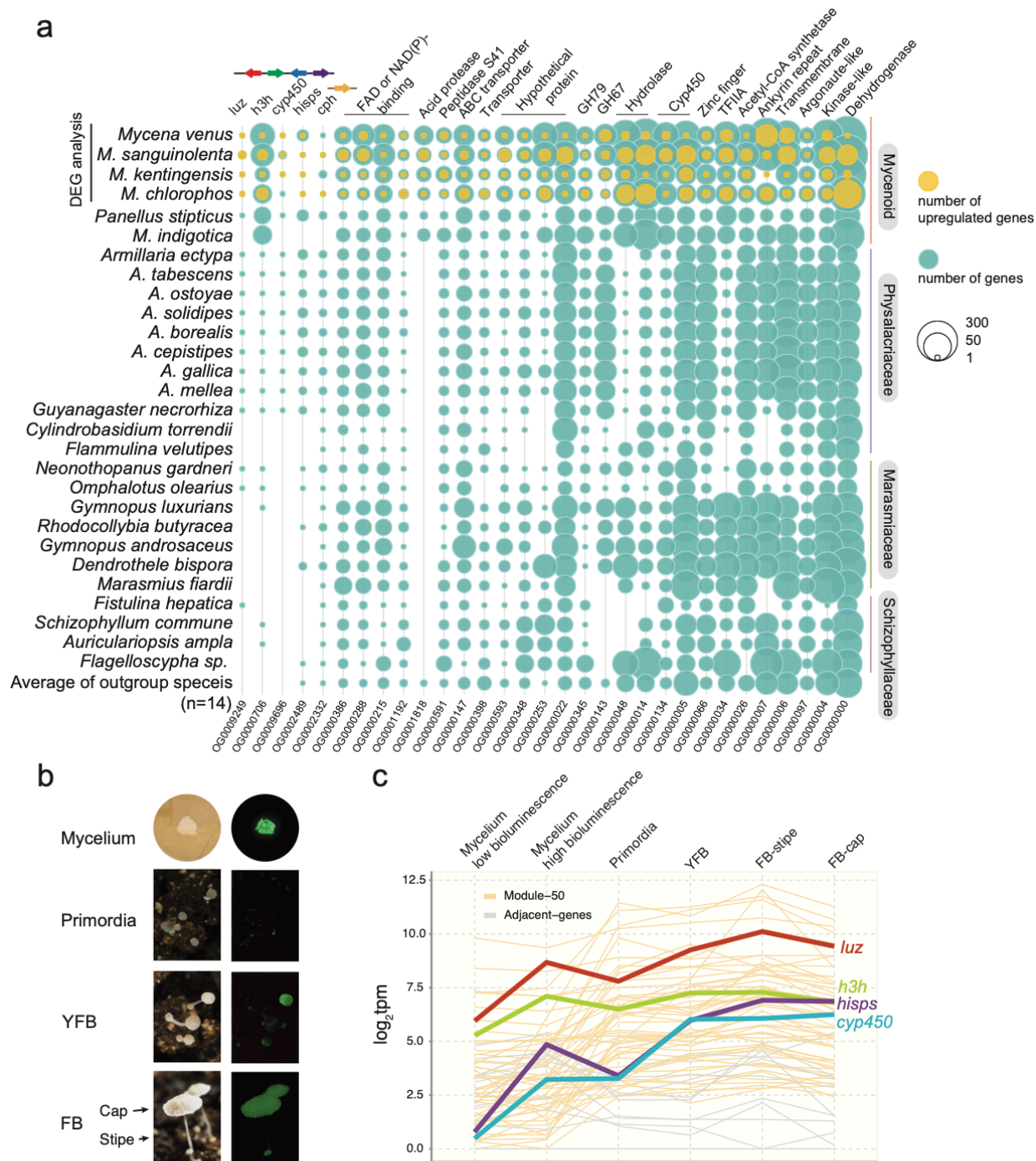
425 Together, these results imply that luciferase cluster was differentially regulated during
426 developmental stages; extent of regulation were also different in bioluminescent species
427 of different lineages.

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431 **Fig. 6| Expression analysis to identify genes involved in bioluminescence. a,** Conserved
432 upregulated OGs. Differentially-expressed genes (DEGs) between mycelia with different
433 bioluminescent intensities were identified in four bioluminescent *Mycena* species, and all 29
434 OGs—except OG0009249 and OG0000706—contain at least one upregulated gene. A detailed
435 annotation of the genes in the OGs is listed in Supplementary Table 13. The raw gene number
436 in each OG is shown in Supplementary Fig. 13. **b,** Tissues used for transcriptomic data analysis
437 in *M. kentingensis*. The left and right side are the tissues under light and dark conditions,
438 respectively (captured by a Nikon D7000). The camera setting for each tissue: mycelium,
439 Sigma 17-50mm ISO100 f2.8 with 16 min exposure time; primordia, AF-S Micro Nikkor 60mm
440 ISO800 f/11 with 122.4 sec exposure time; YFB, AF-S Micro Nikkor 60mm ISO800 f/11 with
441 60.6 sec exposure time; FB, AF-S Micro Nikkor 60mm ISO800, f/11 with 9.3 sec exposure
442 time. YFB, young fruiting body (0.5-1 cm). FB, mature fruiting body (> 1 cm). FB-cap, cap
443 from FB. FB-stipe, stipe from FB. **c,** Expression profile of luciferase cluster across
444 developmental stages of *M. kentingensis*. Bold lines indicate four genes in the luciferase cluster.
445 These four genes and the other 53 genes (yellow) were assigned into the same module
446 (Module50) with similar expression patterns. The genes located up- or downstream (grey) of
447 the luciferin biosynthesis cluster had lower expression levels than the four genes in the cluster.
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452 Gene families associated with the evolution of mycenoid species

453 We sought to identify proteins specific to mycenoid species by annotating protein
 454 family (Pfam) domains and comparing them with those of species outside this lineage
 455 (Supplementary Table 16). A total of 537 Pfam domains were enriched in the mycenoid
 456 lineage (one-fold by Wilcoxon rank sum test with $P < 0.01$; Supplementary Table 17) of

457 which 3–17 were species-specific. Acyl_transf_3 (acyltransferase family; PF01757),
458 contained in a range of acyltransferase enzymes, was the only domain found in all six
459 mycenoid species. The closest homologs were found in ascomycetous *Cadophora*,
460 *Pseudogymnoascus*, or *Phialocephala* (31–35% identity with 73–100% coverage). Four
461 of the enriched domains are known pathogenesis-related domains expanded in
462 pathogenic Agaricales *Moniliophthora*⁵² and *Armillaria* species⁸: COesterase
463 (PF00135; Carboxylesterase family), Thaumatin (PF00314), NPP1 (PF05630;
464 necrosis-inducing protein), and RTA1 (PF04479; RTA1-like protein) (Supplementary
465 Fig. 16). Moreover, *M. sanguinolenta* and *M. venus* contained over 100 and 17 copies
466 of COesterase and Thaumatin (median 37 and 4 copies in other fungal species of this
467 study), respectively.

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469 **Wood decay gene repertoires in *Mycena* species**

470 Since studies on wood degradation in *Mycena* are lacking⁵³, we annotated the
471 carbohydrate-active enzyme (CAZyme) repertoire of *Mycena* proteomes to understand
472 their ecological role. Class II peroxidases (AA2) were identified in all *Mycena* species,
473 suggesting these species can degrade lignin and leave white coloured cellulose (white
474 rot) behind⁵⁴. In particular, *M. sanguinolenta* and *M. venus* possess 66 and 72 copies of
475 AA2, respectively, which are much higher than in other closely-related white-rot fungi,
476 such as *Armillaria* species (10–14 copies). *Mycena* species also contain 11–20 copies
477 of AA5_1 (copper radical oxidases), 18–121 copies of AA3_2 (GMC oxidoreductase),
478 and 10–34 copies of AA1_1 (Laccases)⁵⁵. These enzymes are capable of degrading or
479 modifying lignin and are generally in higher abundance in white-rot than in brown-rot
480 fungi^{55,56}. For cellulose degradation, white-rot generally has more cellulolytic genes—
481 i.e., GH6 and GH7—and lytic polysaccharide monooxygenase of AA9 than does
482 brown-rot fungi⁵⁵. Our *Mycena* species have similar numbers of these genes as other
483 white-rot fungi (Supplementary Fig. 17).

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485 **Discussion**

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487 Bioluminescence is one of the most unusual and fascinating traits in fungi, but the
488 evolutionary history of luciferase cluster remains elusive. Here, we produced highly
489 contiguous genome assemblies using Nanopore technology and annotations for five of
490 the *Mycena* species to examine their genome dynamics. The results of phylogenomic
491 analyses on these genomes have important implications for the origin of luciferase. We
492 argue that luciferase originated in the last common ancestor of mycenoid and
493 marasmioid, which disagrees the theory of Kotlobay *et al.*⁶, that it originated at the
494 basal clade of Agaricales. Our results are in good general agreement with comparative

495 genomic analyses around this group⁸, and is the more evolutionarily parsimonious
496 scenario that does not require an extensive loss of luciferase across the entire Agaricales
497 lineage (**Fig. 1b** and **1c**).

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499 Until 2019, only 68 species of bioluminescent fungi were known⁴⁰ across over 600 non-
500 bioluminescent ones in Mycenaceae. Our reconstructed evolution of the luciferase
501 cluster model shows that the luciferase cluster originated in the dispensable region of
502 genomes (**Fig. 3**), making it susceptible to rearrangement, which suggests it is highly
503 prone to loss and explains why most mycenoid species are non-bioluminescent. This is
504 consistent with a previous report that the main evolutionary process in fungal gene
505 clusters is vertical evolution followed by differential loss⁵⁷. Interestingly, synteny was
506 retained in luciferase clusters and adjacent genes of *Armillaria* species (**Fig. 4**), which
507 are better known for their roles as plant pathogens⁸. Indeed, bioluminescence was
508 identified in all nine examined *Armillaria* species⁴¹. We speculate that the majority of
509 unquantified *Armillaria* species may also exhibit bioluminescence. The repeated
510 duplication and relocation of *cph* that we observed in the luciferase cluster is under
511 selection pressure, suggesting that bioluminescence has adaptive importance in these
512 species. A systematic quantification of bioluminescence and more complete genome
513 assemblies will help reconstruct the evolutionary events that contributed to the
514 polymorphism and functional diversity in the luciferase clusters.

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516 Chromosome-length polymorphisms are uncommon in Agaricales but have been
517 observed in the pathogen *Moniliophthora perniciosa*⁵⁸ causing witches' broom disease
518 and model mushroom *Coprinopsis cinerea*⁵⁹. Synteny analyses across *Mycena* genomes
519 revealed the first documented case of 'two speed' genomes in the Agaricales. Despite
520 all the studied *Mycena* species are saprotrophs, the compartmentalization of genomes
521 exhibiting contrasting evolutionary scenarios and the presence of lineage-specific
522 chromosomes are hallmarks of plant pathogens throughout fungal tree of life⁶⁰. We
523 argue that in addition to gene family expansion and adaptation due to diversifying
524 lifestyle, the increased rates of evolution in particular regions have also led to higher
525 propensity to the loss of luciferase cluster in the mycenoid lineage. Two of the five
526 *Mycena* species had large genomes, which was a result of a transposable element
527 expansion and gene family dynamics (**Fig. 1d**). In plants, animals and fungi, DNA
528 methylation is known to suppress TE activity^{61,62}. In *Mycena*, we observed numerous
529 relic TEs containing sequences similar to classic TEs but lacking functional domains,
530 and these relic TEs had lower levels of CG methylation than did the classic TEs (**Fig.**
531 **2b**). We hypothesize that the relic TEs were still repressed by DNA methylation,
532 yielding overall lower levels of CG methylation in active TEs, which consequently

533 resulted in genome expansion and increased dispensable region offering more plasticity
534 in their evolution.

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536 Researchers have long been puzzled over the ecological role of bioluminescence in
537 fungi. One explanation that has been put forth for *Neonothopanus gardneri* is that
538 bioluminescence follows a circadian rhythm to increase spore dispersal by attracting
539 arthropods in the evening⁴². If true, this is most likely a derived adaptation, as most
540 Agaricomycetes like *Omphalotus nidiformis* disperse spores via wind, display
541 bioluminescence continuously, and do not attract insects⁶³. Besides, attraction is
542 insufficient to explain luminescence in the mycelium. *Mycena kentingensis* and
543 *Armillaria ostoyae* are thought to constitutively express the luciferase cluster
544 throughout development⁶⁴. In addition to the luciferase cluster, only a handful of genes
545 were identified to associate with fungal bioluminescence (**Fig6**). If fungal
546 bioluminescence originated as a by-product of a biological process that is currently
547 unknown, the ecological role was likely to be initially limited and has undergone
548 subsequent losses in many species, especially in the *Mycena* lineage. For those that
549 have retained bioluminescence, we speculate that its ecological role may be species-
550 specific and together converge on the maintenance of luciferase cluster.

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552 In summary, our comparative analyses have led us to propose an evolutionary model
553 pinpointing changes in the luciferase cluster across all published bioluminescent
554 species. Our findings offer insights into the evolution of a gene cluster spanning over
555 160 million years and the retained luciferases were under strong purifying selection.
556 Our *Mycena* genome sequences may complement ongoing research on the application
557 of bioluminescent pathways⁶ and shed light on the ecological role of bioluminescence
558 in fungi.

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560 **Methods**

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562 **Strains and fungal materials**

563 *M. kentingensis*, *M. venus*, *M. sanguinolenta*, *M. indigotica* and *M. chlorophos* were
564 isolated from fruiting bodies collected from forest in Taiwan. *M. indigotica* was
565 isolated from basidiospores. The mycelia were grown and maintained on potato
566 dextrose agar (PDA) plates at 25°C. To identify the pattern of bioluminescence, a
567 piece of mycelium from each species was inoculated in the centre of a sheet of
568 sterilized dialysis cellulose membrane (8030-32, Cellu Sep T-Series) on a 3 cm PDA
569 agar plate at 25°C. The diameter of the mycelium was measured and its

570 bioluminescence was recorded with a Glomax 20/20 luminometer (Promega
571 BioSystems Sunnyvale, Inc., USA) for seven days (Supplementary Table18). The
572 taxonomic status of species was reconfirmed by sequencing the internal transcribed
573 spacer (ITS) with the primer pair SR6R(5'-AAGWAAAAGTCGTAACAAGG-
574 3')/ITS4(5'-TCCTCCGCTTATTGATATGC-3'). Using the other available *Mycena*
575 ITS sequences, all sequences were aligned by MAFFT⁶⁵ (ver. 7.310) and trimmed by
576 trimAl⁶⁶ (1.2rev59; with option -automated1). The ITS phylogeny was constructed by
577 IQ-TREE^{67,68} (ver. 1.6.10; with option -bb 10000 -alrt 1000).

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579 **Genomic DNA extraction and sequencing**

580 Genomic DNA was extracted using the traditional CTAB and chloroform extraction
581 method. Briefly, 0.1 g mycelium was grinded with liquid nitrogen and then mixed with
582 CTAB extraction buffer (0.1 M tris, 0.7 M NaCl, 10 mM EDTA, 1% CTAB, 1% Beta-
583 Mercaptoethanol). After incubating at 65°C for 30 min, an equal volume of chloroform
584 was added, then the mixture was centrifuged at 8000 rcf for 10 min. The supernatant
585 was mixed with an equal volume of isopropanol and the DNA was precipitated. After
586 washing with 70% EtOH, the DNA was dissolved with nuclease free water. Genome
587 sequencing was carried out in two platforms. First, paired-end libraries were
588 constructed using the KAPA LTP library preparation kits (#KK8232, KAPA
589 Biosystems). All libraries were prepared in the High Throughput Genomics Core at
590 Biodiversity Research Center, Academia Sinica and sequenced on an Illumina HiSeq
591 2500 platform. A total of 51.6 Gb of 150- or 300-bp read pairs were generated. Second,
592 Oxford Nanopore libraries were prepared using SQK-LSK108 and sequenced on a
593 GridION instrument. Basecalling of Nanopore raw signals was performed using Guppy
594 (ver. 3.2.4) into a total 67.7 Gb of raw sequences at least 1 kb or longer. A summary of
595 the sequencing data is shown in Supplementary Table 1.

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597 **RNA extraction and sequencing**

598 Bioluminescent mycelia were collected in two ways. i) For *M. chlorophos* and *M.*
599 *kentingensis*, a piece of mycelium was inoculated at the centre of a sheet of sterilized
600 dialysis cellulose membrane (8030-32, Cellu Sep T-Series) on PDA agar plates at 25°C.
601 The plates were cultured for 10 and 14–18 days for *M. chlorophos* and *M. kentingensis*,
602 respectively. For *M. kentingensis*, bioluminescence was detected by camera (Nikon
603 D7000, Sigma 17-50mm ISO100 f2.8 with 16 min exposure time) (**Fig. 6b**). The
604 mycelia with low or high bioluminescent intensities which occurred spontaneously
605 were collected from two separated plates inoculated on the same day. In *M. chlorophos*,
606 bioluminescence was detected by luminometer. Mycelium with low bioluminescence
607 showed the intensity of 7-14 Relative Light Unit (RLU)/mg, and the mycelium with

608 high bioluminescence showed the intensity of 5,000-10,000 RLU/mg (Supplementary
609 Table 3). Three replicates were collected. ii) For *M. sanguinolenta* and *M. venus*, a piece
610 of mycelium was inoculated at the centre of a sheet of sterilized dialysis cellulose
611 membrane on PDA agar plates at 25°C. The plates were cultured for 13–17 days, and
612 the bioluminescent features were detected by CCD camera; the tissues were collected
613 and their luminescence intensity was recorded with a Glomax 20/20 luminometer
614 (Promega BioSystems Sunnyvale, Inc., USA). A total of 12 samples with different
615 bioluminescence intensities were collected (Supplementary Table 3). After
616 homogenizing 5–10 mg of tissues by liquid nitrogen, total RNA was extracted using
617 the Direct-zol RNA Miniprep (Zymo Research). Concentrations were measured by
618 Qubit fluorometer (Invitrogen USA), and quality was assessed by the BioAnalyzer
619 2100 RNA Nano kit (Agilent, USA) with RIN values higher than 8.0. The paired-end
620 libraries were constructed using the TruSeq Stranded mRNA library prep kit
621 (#20020594, Illumina, San Diego, USA) with standard protocol and sequenced by
622 Illumina HiSeq 2500 (Illumina, USA) to produce 150-bp paired-end reads.

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624 **RNA extraction and sequencing from the *M. kentingensis* fruiting body**

625 Fruiting body production of *M. kentingensis* was modified from previous studies^{69,70}.
626 Mycelia, grown on PDA for 8–15 days, was then inoculated onto sterilized
627 commercially available peat soil mixed with 10% rice bran and 50% water in a jar.
628 Mycelium samples were grown at 25°C for 3–4 weeks and then transferred into fresh
629 compost. The culture was sprayed with sterilized water daily until the fruiting body
630 formed. Four kinds of tissue were collected: (1) primordia, (2) young fruiting body
631 (YFB, 0.5–1 cm), (3) cap and (4) stipe of mature fruiting body (> 1 cm). For each batch
632 of culture, 15–20 primordia, 6–11 YFB, and 8–12 caps and stipes from mature fruiting
633 bodies were pooled to measure their weight and bioluminescent intensity, and the RNA
634 was extracted using Trizol extraction and lithium chloride purification method. Three
635 replicates were produced. The paired-end libraries were constructed using the TruSeq
636 Stranded mRNA library prep kit (#20020594, Illumina, San Diego, USA) with standard
637 protocol and sequenced by Illumina HiSeq 2500 (Illumina, USA) to produce 150-bp
638 paired-end reads.

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640 ***De novo* assemblies of *Mycena* species**

641 Oxford Nanopore reads were assembled using the Canu⁷¹ (ver. 1.8) assembler.
642 Consensus sequences of the assemblies were polished first by five iterations of Racon⁷²
643 (ver. 1.3.2) followed by Medaka (ver. 0.7.1; <https://github.com/nanoporetech/medaka>)
644 using Oxford Nanopore reads. HaploMerger2⁷³ (ver. 20180603) was then run on to
645 generate haploid assemblies. Finally, the consensus sequences were further corrected

646 with Illumina reads using Pilon⁷⁴ (ver. 1.22). Throughout each stage the genome
647 completeness was assessed using fungi and basidiomycete dataset of BUSCO¹⁵ (ver.
648 3.0.2). Putative telomeric repeats were searched for copy number repeats less than 10
649 mers using tandem repeat finder⁷⁵ (ver. 4.09; options: 2 7 7 80 10 50 500). The hexamer
650 TTAGGG was identified (Supplementary Table 19).

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652 **Gene predictions and functional annotation**

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654 Protein sequences from Uniprot fungi (32,991 sequences; downloaded 20th December
655 2018) and *Coprinopsis cinerea*, *Pleurotus ostreatus* PC15 (v2.0), *Schizophyllum*
656 *commune* and *Armillaria mellea* from MycoCosm⁷⁶ portal were downloaded as
657 reference proteome. Transcriptome reads were first mapped to the corresponding
658 genome assemblies using STAR^{77,78} (ver. 2.5.3a), and subsequently assembled into
659 transcripts using Trinity⁷⁹ (ver. 2.3.2; guided approach), Stringtie⁸⁰ (ver. 1.3.1c),
660 CLASS2⁸¹ (ver. 2.1.7) and Cufflinks⁸² (ver. 2.2.1). The samples used for input are listed
661 in Supplementary Table 3. Transcripts generated from Trinity were aligned to the
662 references using GMAP⁸³. All transcripts were merged, filtered and picked using
663 MIKADO⁸⁴ (ver. 1.1). The gene predictor Augustus⁸⁵ (ver. 3.2.1) and gmhmm⁸⁶ (ver.
664 3.56) were trained using BRAKER2⁸⁷ (option fungi and softmasked), and SNAP⁸⁸ was
665 trained using the assembled transcripts with MAKER2¹⁴ (ver. 2.31.9). The assembled
666 transcripts, reference proteomes and BRAKER2 annotations were combined as
667 evidence hints for input in the MAKER2¹⁴ annotation pipeline. MAKER2¹⁴ invoked
668 the three trained gene predictors to generate a final set of gene annotation. Amino acid
669 sequences of the proteome were functionally annotated using Blast2GO⁸⁹ and eggno-
670 mapper⁹⁰ (ver. 1.0.3).

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672 **Identification of repetitive elements**

673 Consensus (library) sequences of repetitive elements were identified using the
674 pipeline described in Berriman *et al*⁹¹. Full LTR retrotransposons in *Mycena* species
675 were defined as i) initially identified by LTRharvest⁹² and ii) presence of known
676 reverse transcriptase domains identified by Pfam⁹³ (ver. 31.0). Repeat contents were
677 quantified using RepeatMasker⁹⁴ (ver. open-4.0.7). Proportions of repeat content
678 along the scaffolds were calculated using Bedtools⁹⁵. A phylogenetic tree was built by
679 first aligning all the putative RVT domain sequences using MAFFT⁶⁵ (ver. 7.310; --
680 genafpair --ep 0) and FastTree⁹⁶ with the JTT model on the aligned sequences, and
681 were visualised using the ggtree⁹⁷ package in R.

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683 **Methylation analyses**

684 To construct a BS-seq library, the fragmented DNA was first ligated with a
685 premethylated TruSeq DNA adapter (Illumina). The ligated DNA fragments were
686 bisulfite converted using the EZ DNA methylation kit (Zymo Research), followed by
687 PCR amplification. The BS-seq libraries were sequenced on an Illumina HiSeq 2500
688 sequencer. The bisulfite conversion efficiency reached approximately 99% in all of our
689 libraries (Supplementary Table 20). High-quality paired-end reads were aligned to the
690 genome assemblies of *M. kentingensis* using the bisulfite specific aligner BS-Seeker²⁹⁸.
691 Only uniquely mapped reads were retained. The cytosines covered by at least four reads
692 were included in the data analysis, and the DNA methylation level for each cytosine
693 was estimated as $\#C/(\#C+\#T)$, where $\#C$ is the number of methylated reads and $\#T$ is
694 the number of unmethylated reads.

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696 One or two Nanopore flowcells for each *Mycena* species were selected to infer
697 methylation information using deepsignal⁹⁹ (ver. 0.1.5) (*M. kentingensis*: FAH31207,
698 *M. chlorophos*: FAH31470, *M. indigotica*: FAH31228, *M. sanguinolenta*: FAK22405
699 and FAH31211, *M. venus*: FAK22389 and FAH31302). The machine learning-based
700 model was trained with one bisulfite dataset (YJMC0389) and one Nanopore dataset
701 (FAH31207) of *M. kentingensis*. The bisulfite result was first filtered for depth >20 ,
702 then methylation levels >0.9 and <0.01 were selected for positive and negative
703 validation datasets, respectively. All seven flowcells were called for methylation
704 information with a customized model and default arguments. A minimal depth of 4 was
705 applied to the results for further analysis. In the estimates of DNA methylation levels
706 between Nanopore long-reads and the Illumina BS-seqs, the Pearson correlation
707 coefficient was as high as 0.96 in the methylomes of *M. kentingensis* (Supplementary
708 Fig. 18).

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711 **Orthogroup inference and analysis of protein family domains**

712 Orthologous groups (OGs) among 42 species were identified using OrthoFinder^{16,17}
713 (ver. 2.2.7). CAFÉ¹⁸ (ver. 4.2.1) was used to predict the expansion and contraction of
714 gene numbers of OGs based on the topological gene tree. Unique OGs among the
715 node identified by CAFÉ were analysed by UpSetR¹⁰⁰. The phylogenetic tree was
716 visualized by the ggtree^{97,101} package in R. Protein domains of each gene were
717 identified by pfam_scan.pl ver. 1.6 by comparing them against Pfam ver. 32.0 db⁹³. To
718 compare them to plant pathogenic fungi, the Pfam domains from *Moniliophthora*
719 *perniciosa* FA55313 (Monpe1_1)⁵² from JGI and *Moniliophthora roreri* (Monro)
720 from BioProject: PRJNA279170 were also annotated. Enrichment of Pfam domain
721 number between two sets of interest was assessed by the Wilcoxon rank-sum test ($P \leq$

722 0.05). We compared the Pfam copy number between six mycenoid species and the
723 other 37 species. Gene ontology enrichments were identified for these genes using
724 TopGO¹⁰². Genes encoding carbohydrate-active enzymes were identified according to
725 the Carbohydrate-Active enZYmes (CAZy) Database¹⁰³ by searching for sequence
726 homologs with DIAMOND¹⁰⁴ or HMMER¹⁰⁵.

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728 **Phylogenomic analyses**

729 A total of 42 sets of amino acid sequences from 360 single-copy OGs were aligned
730 independently using MAFFT⁶⁵ (ver. 7.271; option --maxiterate 1000). A total of three
731 approaches were used to infer the species tree. The first two approaches relied on
732 maximum likelihood phylogenies from individual OG alignments computed using
733 RAxML-ng¹⁰⁶ (ver. 0.9.0; options: --all --model LG+I+F+G4 --seed 1234 --tree pars 10
734 --bs-trees 100) with 100 bootstrap replicates. The best phylogeny and bootstrap
735 replicates were separately used to infer a consensus tree using ASTRAL-III²⁰. Finally,
736 a maximum likelihood phylogeny from the concatenated amino acid alignments of the
737 single-copy orthogroups was constructed with 100 bootstrap replicates using RAxML-
738 ng¹⁰⁶ (ver. 0.9.0; options: --all --seed 1234 --tree pars 10 --bs-trees 100 with --model
739 LG+I+F+G4 partitioned with each OG alignment).

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741 **Estimation of divergence time**

742 The divergence time of each tree node was inferred using MCMCtree in PAML²¹
743 package (ver. 4.9g with approximate likelihood¹⁰⁷; the JC69 model and the rest were
744 default). The species tree and concatenated translated nucleotide alignments of 360
745 single-copy-orthologs were used as the input for MCMCtree. The phylogeny was
746 calibrated using fossil records by placing soft minimum bounds at the ancestral node
747 of: i) marasmioid (using *Archaeomarasmius legettii* 94–90 Ma¹⁰⁸; 90 was used), ii)
748 Agaricales (using *Palaeoagaricites antiquus* 110–100 Ma¹⁰⁹; 100 was used), iii) Taxon
749 A (~99 Ma¹¹⁰; 95 was used), and iv) a soft bound of 200 Ma for the phylogeny. The
750 entire analysis was run five times to check for convergence.

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753 **Synteny analyses**

754 Linkage groups (LGs) between *M. indigotica* and *Armillaria ectypa*, and between *M.*
755 *indigotica* and *Pleurotus ostreatus* were assigned based on the majority of the single-
756 copy orthologues (Supplementary Figure 7 and 8). Scaffolds containing fewer than 10
757 single-copy orthologues, shorter than 500 kb or species N90 were excluded. Linkage
758 groups within *Mycena* were assigned based on majority and at least 10% of single-copy
759 orthologue links with *M. indigotica* scaffolds. Subsequent scaffolds were identified as

760 the same linkage group if they contained a majority of pairwise one-to-one single-copy
761 orthologues belonging to the *M. indigotica* LG.

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763 As gene collinearity among *Mycena* species became less conserved, synteny blocks of
764 each *Mycena* species were defined based on merging of adjacent pairwise single-copy
765 orthologues to its closest-related species. For instance, synteny blocks of *M. chlorophos*
766 were based on single-copy orthologues against *M. indigotica*. For every ortholog, the
767 distance to the next closest single-copy orthologue was calculated to take into account
768 segment duplications of genes or gene insertion/deletions. Synteny blocks within the
769 90% quantile of ortholog distance were further merged and classified as core regions.
770 Dispensable regions were defined as synteny breaks under this criterion. Based on these
771 criteria, 68.5–85.5% of the genomes of *Mycena* species were dispensable
772 (Supplementary Table 21). Synteny around luciferase cluster was based on orthogroup
773 sharing and plotted using the R genoPlotR¹¹¹ package.

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776 **Evolution of gene families related to the luciferase gene cluster**

777 The sequences of five orthologues in the luciferase family—hispidin-3-hydroxylase,
778 cytochrome P450, hispidin synthase, and caffeylpyruvate hydrolase—were
779 constructed and the sequences were aligned by MAFFT⁶⁵ (ver. 7.310) and trimmed by
780 trimAl⁶⁶ (1.2rev59 ; with option -automated1). The protein trees were constructed by
781 IQ-TREE^{67,68} (ver. 1.6.10; with option -bb 10000 -alrt 1000). The evidence for
782 selection across gene families was tested using the HyPhy^{112,113} platform in the
783 webserver of datamonkey¹¹⁴⁻¹¹⁶. According to the recombination breakpoints analysed
784 by the Genetic Algorithm for Recombination Detection¹¹⁷ (GARD), the alignment
785 was trimmed for analysing selection using Single-Likelihood Ancestor Counting¹¹⁸
786 (SLAC) and Mixed Effects Model of Evolution¹¹⁹ (MEME) with $P < 0.1$.

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789 **RNAseq analysis of differential bioluminescent mycelium**

790 Quality trimming of the RNA sequencing reads was conducted using Trimmomatic¹²⁰.
791 The sequencing reads were mapped to the genome using STAR^{77,78} (ver.
792 STAR_2.5.1b_modified; default parameters). Raw read counts of the gene models were
793 quantified by FeatureCounts¹²¹ (ver. v1.5.0; -p -s 2 -t exon). For *M. kentingensis* and *M.*
794 *chlorophos*, the differential expressed genes (DEGs) were analysed using DESeq2¹²².
795 Genes with fold change (FC) > 0 and FDR ≤ 0.05 were defined as DEG. For *M.*
796 *sanguinolenta* and *M. venus*, the DEGs were identified by the Pearson correlation
797 coefficient between the bioluminescence intensity (relative light unit; RLU) normalized

798 by weight (RLU/mg) and log transformation of counts per million. Genes with
799 correlation coefficient > 0.7 and $P < 0.01$ were defined as DEGs.

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801 **RNA analysis of *M. kentingensis* and *Armillaria ostoyae* developmental stages**

802 The reads from transcriptomes of the primordia, young fruiting body, and cap and stipe
803 of mature fruiting body were conducted by the same method of manipulating the reads
804 from transcriptomes of mycelium. To identify co-expressed genes among
805 transcriptomes, the transformation of transcripts per million (TPM) from six different
806 tissues—mycelia with high bioluminescence and low bioluminescence, primordia,
807 young fruiting body, and fruiting body cap and stipe were calculated. The lowest 25%
808 expressed gene across all samples were excluded and co expression was analysed using
809 weighted gene co-expression network analysis (WGCNA)^{47,48} package in R
810 (maxBlockSize = 10000, power = 20, networkType = signed , TOMType = signed,
811 minModuleSize = 30). The Illumina reads among ten stages from *Armillaria ostoyae*
812 were also downloaded from NCBI's GEO Archive (<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo>
813 [under accession GSE100213](#)) and also analysed by the same pipeline of *M. kentingensis*
814 to identify co-expressed genes among the transcriptomes.

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824 **Authors contribution**

825 I.J.T. and H.M.K. conceived the study. I.J.T. led the study. H.M.K., C.C.C., G.S. and
826 H.W.K. collected and identified *Mycena* species around Taiwan. H.M.K, P.H.W. and
827 C.I.L. conducted the experiments. M.J.L. and J.Y.L. designed the illumina sequencing
828 experiment. H.H.L. and I.J.T. performed the assemblies and annotations of the *Mycena*
829 genomes. H.M.K., H.H.L., Y.C.L. and I.J.T. conducted the repeat analysis. L.C.N. and
830 I.J.T. carried out phylogenomics analyses and the divergence time estimation. H.M.K.,
831 H.H.L., Y.C.L. and I.J.T. carried out comparative genomic analyses. H.M.K. and M.R.L.
832 analysed the RNA-seq data. H.H.L., R.J.L., J.W.H., P.Y.C. and H.M.K. carried out the
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853 **Data availability**

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