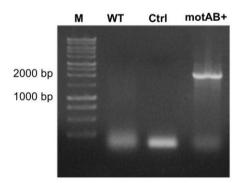
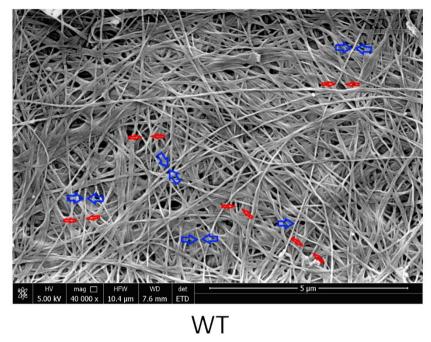
## Supplementary material

Table S1 Sequences of DNA oligonucleotides used in PCR

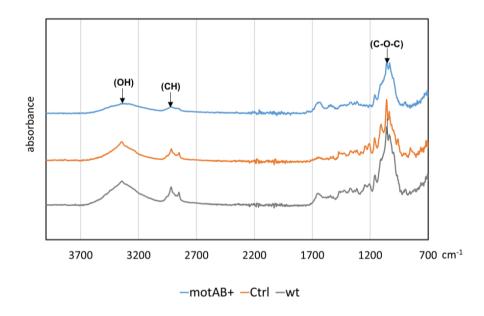
Primer	Sequence (5'-3')
pTI-motAB_for	CGCGGATCCGTGACACGACCGACGACCTA
pTI_motAB_rev	CCCAAGCTTTCAGCGATCCGTCAGGCGGA
pTI_for	AAAATCTTCTCATCCG
pTI_rev	ACACAGGAAACAGACCAT



**Figure S1 Confirmation of** *K. hansenii* ATCC **23769 strain transformation by colony** PCR with vector-specific primers (pTI\_for, pTI\_rev primers, Table S1). Empty vector (line Ctrl) was a source of product ~100 bp in length. Product of length ~2000 bp is of expected size for motAB insert cloned into pTI99A vector. Smear visible on the line WT and in the bottom of motAB+ line is due to unspecific amplification form genomic DNA. PCR was done without DNA isolation – directly on biomass from selective agar plate.



**Figure S2. Example of fiber width and pore sizes estimation.** By the blue arrows exemplary fibers widths are shown, by red arrows exemplary pores dimensions are shown.

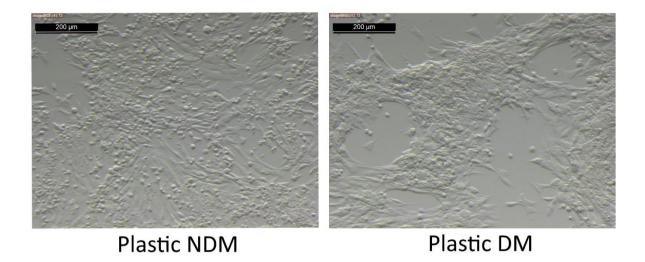


**Figure S3. FTIR spectra collected for freeze-dried membranes** produced by *K. hansenii* ATCC 23769 wild type strain and its variants: control (transformed with pTI99A vector) and mutant (motAB+ strain).





Figure S4. Macroscopic appearance of BNC scaffolds used in the study. Membranes shown were harvested from 24-well plates and washed. After sterilization in fresh 24-well plate they were used for cells seeding (WT BNC = cellulose produced by a wild type *K. hansenii* ATCC 23769 strain; Control BNC = cellulose produced by a *K. hansenii* ATCC 23769 strain transformed with pTI99 vector; BNC motAB+ = cellulose produced by a mutant strain)



**Figure S5. Morphology of ATDC5 cell line grown on 2D support** was observed under light M205 microscope, equipped with a Leica MC170 HD camera. Representative images (100× magnification) from 3-week long culture are shown.

**Plastic NDM** – cells cultured in Non-Differentiating (growth) medium (content given in Materials and Methods of the main body of article);

**Plastic DM** – cells cultured in differentiation medium (obtained by combination of DMEM/F12 with Insulin-Transferrin-Selenium (ITS, Thermo Fisher Scientific, MA, USA), 100 nM dexamethasone (Sigma Aldrich, MO, USA), 10 ng/ml transforming growth factor –  $\beta$  (Sigma Aldrich, MO, USA), and 50 mg/mL ascorbic acid (Avantor Performance Materials, Poland)).

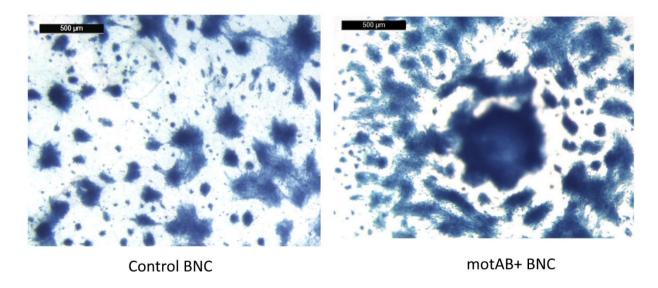


Figure S6. Morphology of ATDC5 cell line grown on BNC scaffolds, stained with Alcian blue, was observed under light M205 microscope, equipped with a Leica MC170 HD camera. Representative images (100× magnification) from 3-week long culture are shown.