

Table S1 Primers used in this study.

Primers	Nucleotide sequence (5' to 3')	Employment
<i>hrd1</i> -UF	CTGCGTGCTCAGTGGTAGGT	<i>hrd1</i> deletion strain construction
<i>hrd1</i> -UR	GGAGATGTTGCTGAAGTCGCCATTTACGCAATCAGGTTC	<i>hrd1</i> deletion strain construction
<i>hrd1</i> -DF	ATGAGTCGTTTACCCAGAATCATGGCGACGTTTAATAGCA	<i>hrd1</i> deletion strain construction
<i>hrd1</i> -DR	GAAGTCTTCCGCACTGTTGAT	<i>hrd1</i> deletion strain construction
<i>hrd3</i> -UF	CCTGTGAGCTTCAGACCCAGTA	<i>hrd3</i> deletion strain construction
<i>hrd3</i> -UR	GGAGATGTTGCTGAAGTCGTATGCTGAGCCTGCCTTCTGT	<i>hrd3</i> deletion strain construction
<i>hrd3</i> -DF	ATGAGTCGTTTACCCAGAATAGGTGCTTGAGGAGGTTTGTC	<i>hrd3</i> deletion strain construction
<i>hrd3</i> -DR	CTCTTCCATCGTAGTGCGTTTC	<i>hrd3</i> deletion strain construction
<i>der1</i> -UF	CAGCACGGTAGACTGCCAGAT	<i>der1</i> deletion strain construction
<i>der1</i> -UR	GGAGATGTTGCTGAAGTCGAATGATGGAATGAATGCCTCTG	<i>der1</i> deletion strain construction
<i>der1</i> -DF	ATGAGTCGTTTACCCAGAATTTGTGCTGGAATACCTACTGCC	<i>der1</i> deletion strain construction
<i>der1</i> -DR	GATCCGGGACCTCGTTGAATA	<i>der1</i> deletion strain construction
<i>hph</i> -F	CGACTTCAGCAACATCTCC	<i>hph</i> markers amplification
<i>hph</i> -R	ATTCTGGGTAAACGACTCAT	<i>hph</i> markers amplification
<i>hrd1</i> -2991-UF	CGGCACAAGGTCACAGTTCAT	<i>hrd1</i> upstream anchoring validation primer
<i>hrd1</i> -5646-DR	GGCGACCCTACACGACCA	<i>hrd1</i> downstream anchoring validation primer
<i>hrd1</i> -F	CAGCAACCTCCTGCGAATC	<i>hrd1</i> gene validation primer
<i>hrd1</i> -R	TCCGCTTGCTGTAGAAGAGTT	<i>hrd1</i> gene validation primer
<i>hrd3</i> -2939-UF	CTCCGACTTCATTGCTGTG	<i>hrd3</i> upstream anchoring validation primer
<i>hrd3</i> -4851-DR	TCGGCTCTTCGCTAACACG	<i>hrd3</i> downstream anchoring validation primer
<i>hrd3</i> -F	TTCTCAGGACCATCCCAACC	<i>hrd3</i> gene validation primer
<i>hrd3</i> -R	TGGCTATCCACTCTGAGAGGG	<i>hrd3</i> gene validation primer
<i>der1</i> -2926-UF	CTCGAAGGCTAGGGTCAGGT	<i>der1</i> upstream anchoring validation primer
<i>der1</i> -3501-DR	AATTTTCTCGCGGATATGC	<i>der1</i> downstream anchoring validation primer
<i>der1</i> -F	GCCTCCCCTGGAACAT	<i>der1</i> gene validation primer
<i>der1</i> -R	CCTGCGCCTTCAAACAA	<i>der1</i> gene validation primer
<i>hph</i> -934-UR	GTGGAGGCGCGGATTTTA	Upstream anchoring validation primer
<i>hph</i> -608-DF	GAATGCTCCGTAACACCCAAT	Downstream anchoring validation primer
<i>actin</i> -F1	CCCAAGTCCAACCGTGAGA	Used for RT-PCR
<i>actin</i> -R1	CAATGGCGTGAGGAAGAGC	Used for RT-PCR
<i>bip1</i> -qF1	GATGCCAACGGTATCCTCA	Used for RT-PCR
<i>bip1</i> -qR1	TGCGGTCAATCTCCTCCT	Used for RT-PCR
<i>pdi1</i> -qF1	GTTGTGCTTGCCCACTCTTAC	Used for RT-PCR
<i>pdi1</i> -qR1	AGTCGCTCTTGGCATAACAGG	Used for RT-PCR
<i>hrd1</i> -qF1	CCCAATGATGCCAAACTG	Used for RT-PCR
<i>hrd1</i> -qR1	TGCTGCTTTTCAAGGTGGAG	Used for RT-PCR
<i>hrd3</i> -qF1	AACGACGCATACGAGGCT	Used for RT-PCR
<i>hrd3</i> -qR1	CGCATCATCTCATAGAAGGGT	Used for RT-PCR
<i>der1</i> -qF1	CCTCGTTTACATTTGGTCTCG	Used for RT-PCR
<i>der1</i> -qR1	GCCCATGATCTCATCCCTC	Used for RT-PCR
<i>cbh1</i> -qF1	GCGGCATGGTTCTGGTCA	Used for RT-PCR
<i>cbh1</i> -qR1	TCGTTTGTCGGGTAGGTGGA	Used for RT-PCR
<i>egl</i> -qF1	GGCTCGCTCTACCTGTCTCA	Used for RT-PCR
<i>egl</i> -qR1	GGGTGCCGTTTCTCCAT	Used for RT-PCR
<i>eg2</i> -qF1	ACGAGCCTTTGGTTCGCAGTT	Used for RT-PCR
<i>eg2</i> -qR1	GGCAGCCCAGGTGTTGATGT	Used for RT-PCR
<i>bgl1</i> -qF1	TCGATCCATATCTCACGGGC	Used for RT-PCR
<i>bgl1</i> -qR1	AGTTCCGGTCATCTGGGTTGC	Used for RT-PCR

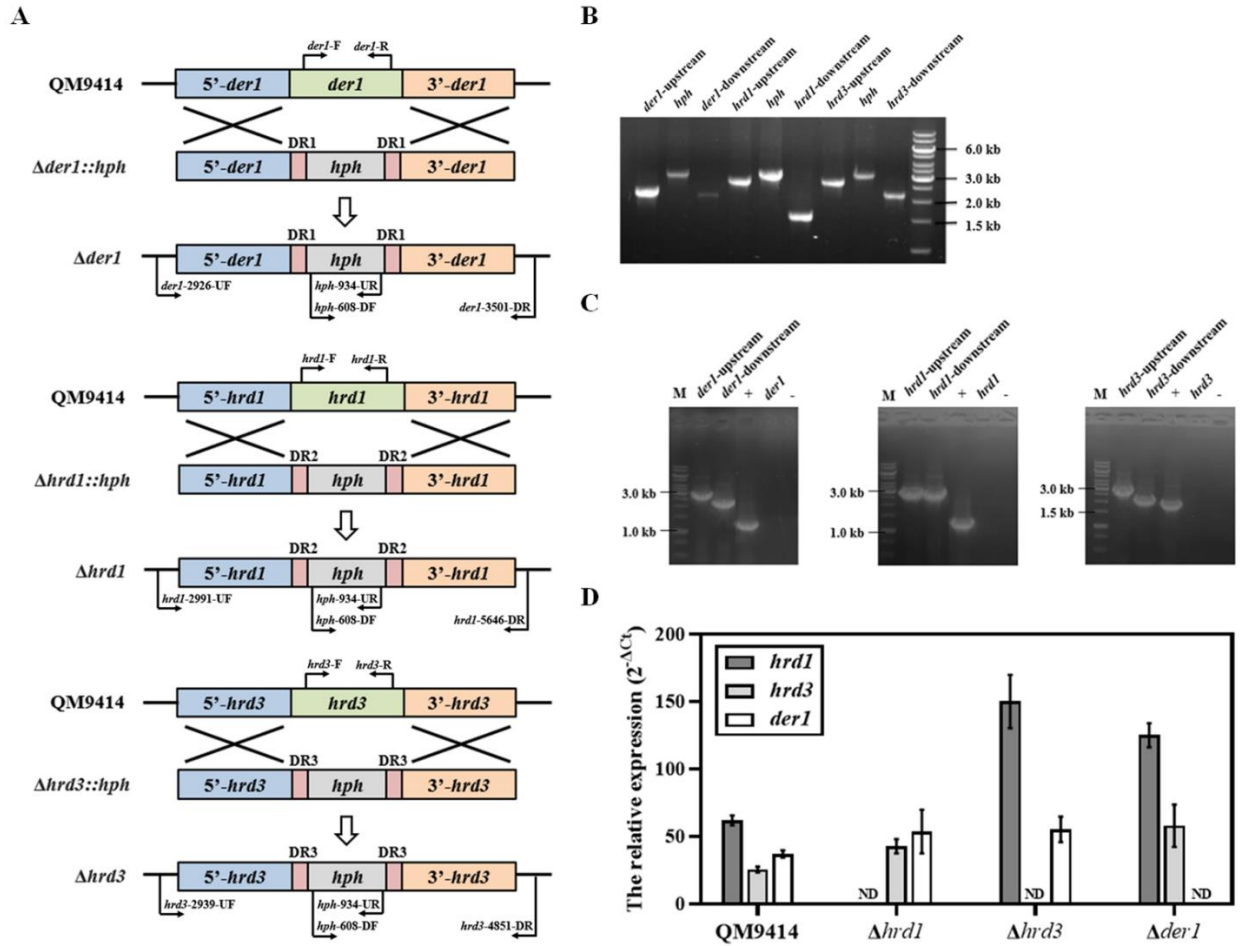


Fig. S1. Construction and verification of ERAD deletion strains Δ *der1*, Δ *hrd1* and Δ *hrd3*. (A) Sketch map of knocking out *der1/hrd1/hrd3* in *T. reesei* QM9414 was shown. The target gene was replaced by the resistance gene *hph* to obtain ERAD deletion strain through homologous recombination. The primers used to verify the upstream and downstream anchoring as well as knockout gene of the strains were shown. (B) PCR analysis showed that the *der1/hrd1/hrd3* knockout cassettes were successfully constructed. The *der1* knockout cassette contained 5' flanking sequence (2.3 kb), 3' flanking sequence (2.1 kb) and *hph* (2.8 kb). The *hrd1* knockout cassette contained 5' flanking sequence (2.3 kb), 3' flanking sequence (1.5 kb) and *hph* (2.8 kb). The *hrd3* knockout cassette contained 5' flanking sequence (2.5 kb), 3' flanking sequence (2.1 kb) and *hph* (2.8 kb). (C) The PCR analysis showed the knockout of the *der1/hrd1/hrd3* gene in the corresponding strains. The knockout strain contained the expected upstream and downstream anchoring, and did not contain the knockout gene. The *der1* knockout strain contained upstream anchoring (2.5 kb) and downstream anchoring (2.3 kb), but did not contain *der1* (1.1 kb). The *hrd1* knockout strain contained upstream anchoring (2.5 kb) and downstream anchoring (2.5 kb), but did not contain *hrd1* (1.1 kb). The *hrd3* knockout strain contained upstream anchoring (2.7 kb) and downstream anchoring (2.4 kb), but did not contain *hrd3* (1.9 kb). "+" represented the knockout gene amplified from the QM9414 genome and served as a positive control. "-" represented the knockout gene amplified without template, as a negative control. (D) The transcription levels of *der1/hrd1/hrd3* in the ERAD-deficient mutants Δ *der1*, Δ *hrd1* and Δ *hrd3*. The results showed that the transcripts of the knockout genes could not be detected in the corresponding strains. Values represent the mean of three repeated measurements taken from at least three parallel experiments. The error bars refer to the standard deviations. ND: not detected.

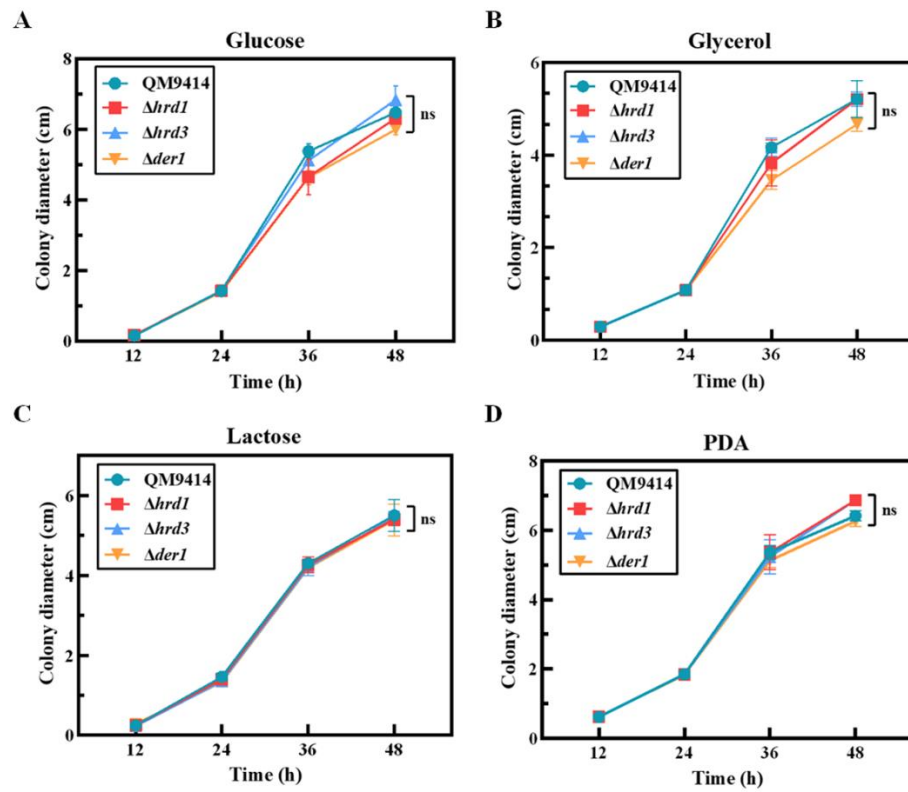


Fig. S2. Radial extension rates of the ERAD-deficient mutants on different carbon sources. Radial extension rates of mycelium were measured after cultivation on the following carbon sources: glucose (A), glycerol (B), lactose (C), and PDA (D) at 30°C for 2 days. The colony diameters were measured every 12h to draw the mycelial growth rate map. Values represent the mean of three repeated measurements taken from at least three parallel experiments. The error bars refer to the standard deviations. The difference between the parental strain and the knockout strains was shown by analysis of ANOVA followed by Turkey test. ns = not significant. Circles, QM9414; squares, $\Delta hrd1$; upper triangle, $\Delta hrd3$; lower triangles, $\Delta der1$.

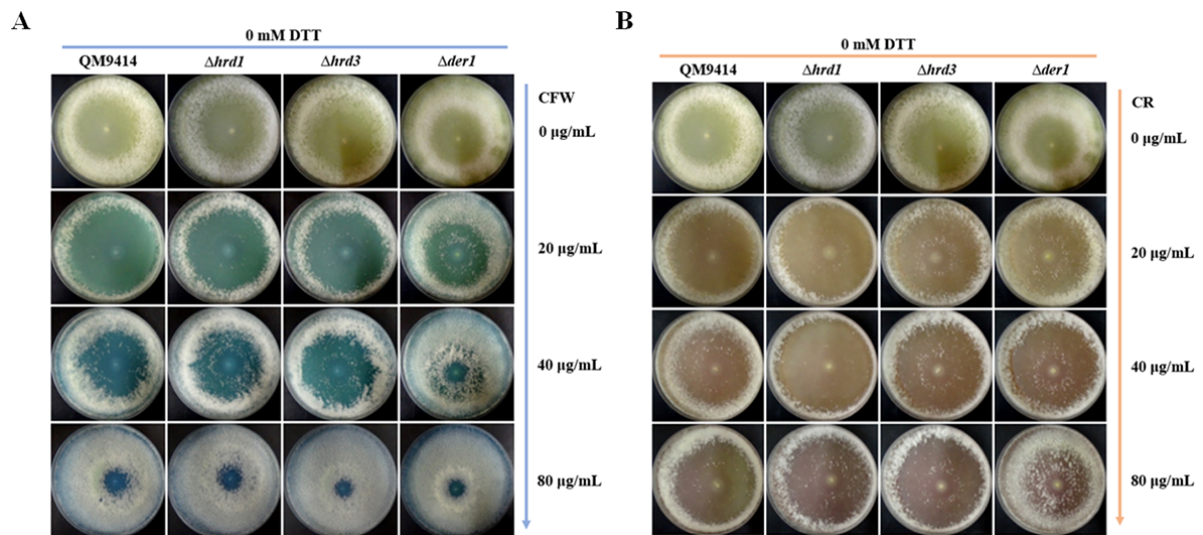


Fig. S3. Cell wall stability of the ERAD-deficient mutants without ER pressure. Growth analysis of QM9414 and the ERAD-deficient mutants using the MM plates supplemented with different concentrations of Calcofluor White (A) or Congo red (B). The concentrations of CFW or CR were 0 $\mu\text{g/mL}$, 20 $\mu\text{g/mL}$, 40 $\mu\text{g/mL}$, and 80 $\mu\text{g/mL}$, respectively. The strains were growth on MM containing glucose as carbon source at 30 °C for 3 days and its growth state was recorded by photographing.

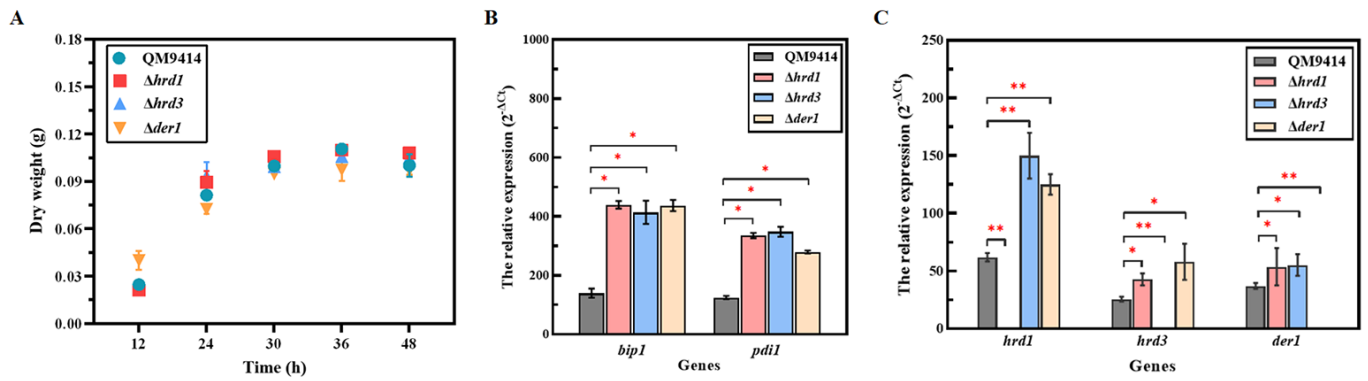


Fig. S4. Growth curve and ER pressure of the ERAD-deficient mutants under normal growth conditions. (A) The growth curve of QM9414 and ERAD-deficient mutants was made by measuring the dry weight of hyphae obtained after MM liquid culture to determine the logarithmic growth phase. All strains were cultured in MM liquid medium containing glucose as carbon source, and the dry weight was measured every 12 hours. (B) The relative transcription levels of UPR-related genes *bip1* and *pdi1* in the ERAD-deficient mutants under normal growth conditions. (C) The relative transcription levels of *hrd1/hrd3/der1* in the ERAD-deficient mutants under normal growth conditions. *Actin* gene were universally used to normalize gene transcription levels. Values represent the mean of three repeated measurements taken from at least three parallel experiments. The error bars refer to the standard deviations. The difference between the parental strain and the knockout strains was shown by analysis of ANOVA followed by Turkey test. * $P < 0.05$; ** $P < 0.01$.