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1 Introduction

1.1 Hyponastic growth

Being confined to a fixed location, plants have to re-orient their growth directions when it comes to getting access to limiting resources like light or water. Hyponasty, also called hyponastic growth, puts leaves and petioles into a more vertical position to escape from unfavorable conditions, such as submergence (Cox et al., 2003; Pierik et al., 2005), root waterlogging (Rauf et al., 2013), decreased light intensities (Vandenbussche et al., 2003; Pierik et al., 2005), increased far-red (FR) to red light (R) ratios (Whitelam and Johnson, et al., 1982; Vandenbussche et al., 2003; Pierik et al., 2005; Millenaar et al., 2009), and elevated temperatures (Koini et al., 2009; van Zanten et al., 2009). Upward bending of the leaves is due to differential growth rates between the adaxial and the abaxial sides of the petioles (Kang et al., 1979; Polko et al., 2012b; Cox et al., 2004). This requires the reorientation of cortical microtubules (Polko et al., 2012b) and expression of cell wall-loosening enzymes like e.g expansins (Vreeburg et al., 2005, Rauf et al., 2013) and members of the *XYLOGLYCAN ENDOTRANSGLYCOSYLASE/HYDROLASE (XTH)* gene family (Lee et al., 2011). It is hypothesized that hyponastic growth is induced by an asymmetrical distribution of growth-regulating factors. Candidates are ethylene (ET) and auxin or an increased sensitivity of the abaxial site to growth promoting cues. The significance of asymmetrical distribution of auxin in tropic responses is well established (Went and Thimann, et al., 1937; Friml and Palme, et al., 2002), but the contribution of such a mechanism in nastic responses seems unlikely (Cox et al., 2003). ET can play a role in differential growth processes like petiole epinasty (Kang et al., 1979), shoot gravitropism (Kaufman et al., 1995; Friedman et al., 2003), apical hook formation (Ecker et al., 1995), but the molecular mechanisms leading to differential ET production/sensitivity during hyponastic growth are unknown.

1.1.1 Ethylene and hyponastic growth in *Arabidopsis thaliana*

Application of ET triggers hyponastic growth in the several ecotypes of *Arabidopsis*, including Columbia, but not in Landsberg (Millenaar et al., 2005). Thus, a plausible hypothesis was that environmental cues would lead to the synthesis or accumulation of ET as a common signaling molecule. This concept is well established for *Arabidopsis* plants subjected to root waterlogging (Rauf et al., 2013) or complete submergence (Millenaar et al., 2005). However, ET is a negative regulator of hyponastic growth at high temperature (van Zanten et al., 2009). Conflicting data are available concerning the role of ET in the hyponastic growth of plants subjected to low light intensities. Vandenbussche et al. (2003) found that two-week-old *Arabidopsis* seedlings, which were grown on the ET precursor 1-aminocyclopropane-1-carboxylic acid (ACC), produced ET upon transfer to low light conditions ($35 \mu\text{mol photons m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$). Mutants deficient in ET signal transduction (*ein2*, *etr1-3*) showed no increased leaf angle when continuously grown under $45 \mu\text{mol photons m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ as opposed to $125 \mu\text{mol photons m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$. In contrast, Millenaar et al. (2009) found that *ein2*, *etr1-4* and *ein4* plants responded like wild-type when plants were transferred from 200 to $20 \mu\text{mol photons m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ for 0 to 24 hours. No increase in ET production was observed. These studies indicate that growth conditions, ecotype and developmental stage of the plant might influence the underlying signaling cascades.

Moreover, Polko et al. (2015) found that overexpression of the mitotic cyclin CYCLINA2;1(CYCA2;1) shows exaggerated hyponasty, indicating a role for cell divisions in regulating hyponastic growth. According to experimental results and mathematical modeling, it was assumed that ET can attenuate the amplitude of hyponasty by decreasing the cell proliferation rate at the proximal abaxial side of the petiole relative to the adaxial side (Polko et al., 2015).

1.1.2 Photoreceptors and hyponastic growth

A similar complex picture arises with respect to the involvement of photoreceptors in hyponastic growth. Hyponastic growth is a part of the shade avoidance syndrome (Franklin et al., 2008), which is efficiently induced when the ratio of red (R) to far red (FR) light is reduced (Whitelam & Johnson et al., 1982). Elongation of petioles, hyponastic growth and reduction of leaf blade area occur when the amount of R is reduced due to the absorption of R but not FR by chlorophyll from shading plants or when the amount of FR is enriched due to the reflection by neighboring plants. These conditions are perceived by phytochromes A and B, which are activated by FR or R, respectively (reviewed in Franklin et al., 2008; Ballaré, et al., 2009; Keuskamp et al., 2010a). Under control light conditions, the R photoreceptor PhyB interferes with hyponastic growth as revealed by the constitutively high petiole angles in the *phyB-5* mutant (Millenaar et al., 2009). Under low R/FR, most of PhyB is in the inactive Pr form allowing the shade avoidance response (Robson et al., 1993). If light intensities are high but R/FR ratios low, PhyA is activated by FR and represses the shade avoidance response. This antagonistic interaction of both photoreceptors allows adjusting growth to the R/FR ratios and the light intensities at the same time. Hyponastic growth initiated by decreased R/FR ratios does not involve the ET pathway (Vandenbussche et al., 2003)

Different mechanisms have to be considered when decreased light intensities serve as the signal for hyponastic growth. Decreasing the light intensity but adding R did not reduce hyponastic growth at 6 h, 24 h and 48 h. Thus, PhyB is not able to repress hyponastic growth under low light conditions. However, addition of blue light interfered with hyponastic growth at least at 6 hours. Apparently, blue-light-activated photoreceptors can interfere with hyponastic growth under low light. Candidates are PhyA, which can be activated by blue light, cryptochromes and phototropins (Millenaar et al., 2009).

The *phot1 phot2* mutant behaved like wild-type when plants were shifted from control light to low light. However, photoreceptors PhyA and cryptochromes Cry1 and Cry2 were required for hyponastic growth (Millenaar et al., 2009). Taken together, it seems that hyponastic growth can be inhibited if photoreceptors are activated by either R or B, but that residual activation is important to sustain hyponastic growth. The control of hyponastic growth by photoreceptors plays a role only during the first 6 hours. When plants are subjected to low light for longer periods other signals resulting from reduced photosynthesis control the response (Millenaar et al., 2009).

1.1.3 Auxin and other plant hormones and hyponastic growth

As mentioned above, upward bending of the leaves is due to differential growth rates between the adaxial and the abaxial sides of the petioles (Cox et al., 2004; Polko et al., 2012b; Polko et al., 2015). As already described early in the last century, the phytohormone auxin is transported through the plant in a polar manner and is essential for differential growth (Went and Thimann et al., 1937). Auxin acts through the activation of cell wall-loosening enzymes, allowing water uptake and cell expansion (Ordin et al., 1956; Taiz et al., 1984; Catalá et al., 2000). The direction of cell expansion is determined by cortical microtubules that are reoriented during this process (Polko et al., 2012b). Several studies have shown that inhibition of polar auxin transport or mutants in auxin signaling show impaired hyponastic growth in response to low light (Millenaar et al., 2009). However, the defect was mainly observed after 12 hours indicating the hormone is required for maintenance of the elevated leaf angle and that other growth promoting factors have to act early. Auxin does not play a role when hyponasty is triggered by ET (van Zanten et al., 2009).

Abscisic acid (ABA) antagonizes ET-induced hyponastic growth (Benschop et al., 2007). Like-wise, methyl jasmonate (MeJA) is a negative regulator of low light-induced hyponastic growth (Ritsema et al., 2010); in contrast, it promotes

ET-induced hyponasty (van Zanten et al., 2012). SA suppresses both ET and low light-induced hyponasty (Ritsema et al., 2010; van Zanten et al., 2012).

1.1.4 Transcription factors and hyponastic growth

A few transcription factors have been involved in hyponastic growth. Hyponasty in response to root waterlogging is regulated by NAC (NAM, ATAF1/2, CUC2) transcription factor SPEEDY HYPONASTIC GROWTH (SHYG) in *Arabidopsis thaliana*. Ectopic expression of *SHYG* in *Arabidopsis* enhances waterlogging-triggered hyponastic leaf movement, while *shyg* knockout mutants show reduced hyponastic leaf movement. Several genes related to cell wall-loosening like *EXPANSINs* and *XYLOGLUCAN ENDOTRANSGLYCOSYLASE/HYDROLASEs* are up-regulated in *SHYG* overexpressing lines and down-regulated in *shyg* mutants. Moreover, *ACC OXIDASE5* (*ACO5*), which encodes for a key enzyme of ET biosynthesis, is a direct target gene of *SHYG* (Rauf et al., 2013).

Phytochrome Interacting Factor 4 is a basic-loop-helix (bHLH)-type transcription factor that is required for hyponastic growth at elevated temperatures. This transcription factor is stabilized when active phytochrome levels are reduced under low light or reduced R/FR ratios. However, at least PIF4-dependent hypocotyls length can be stimulated in plants lacking phytochromes, pointing at a mechanism of heat sensing that involves other molecular components (Koini et al., 2009).

1.2 TGA transcription factors

TGA transcription factors belong to the basic region/leucine zipper motif (bZIP) transcription factor (TF) superfamily (Jakoby et al., 2002). TGA factors can specifically recognize the DNA sequence TGACGTCA and were named according to the first three letters of the sequence (Katagiri et al., 1989; Lam et al., 1989). The ten genes of the

TGA family fall into five clades (Clade I: TGA1 and TGA4, clade II: TGA2, TGA5 and TGA6, clade III: TGA3 and TGA7, clade IV: TGA9 and TGA10, clade V: TGA8 (PAN)). The first three clades are mainly related to pathogen defense processes (Zhang et al., 2003; Kesarwani et al., 2007) and the other two clades are mainly related to flower development (Running et al., 1996; Murmu et al., 2010).

Clade II TGA TFs (TGA2, TGA5, TGA6) regulate the plant defense response systemic acquired resistance (Zhang et al., 2003) and the expression of detoxification genes (Fode et al., 2008; Mueller et al., 2008). Clade II TGA TFs directly interact with NONEXPRESSOR OF PR GENES 1 (NPR1) (Zhang et al., 1999) and the *tga2 tga5 tga6* triple mutant plants show a similar phenotype like the *npr1-1* mutant in terms of *pathogenesis-related 1 (PR1)* expression and systemic acquired resistance (Zhang et al., 2003). Activation of detoxification genes, which is independent of NPR1, requires the interaction between clade II TGA TFs and the GRAS protein SCL14. *scl14* and *tga2 tga5 tga6* mutants show susceptibility to the SA structural analog 2,6-dichloroisonicotinic acid (INA) or to 2,4,6-triiodobenzoic acid (TIBA) (Fode et al., 2008).

Clade I TGA transcription factors (TGA1, TGA4) are involved in defense responses against biotrophic pathogens (Kersawani et al., 2007, Shearer et al., 2012). They have two conserved cysteines (Cys-260 and Cys-266) which can form an intramolecular disulfide bridge (Despres et al., 2003). In the absence of SA, 50% of the TGA1 protein is in the oxidized form and 50% is in the reduced form. After exogenous application of SA, only the reduced form exists. The interaction with NPR1 takes place in yeast and *Arabidopsis* after a change of the conserved cysteine residues into a serine and aspartic acid, respectively (Despres et al., 2003), which prevents formation of the disulfide bridge. It was concluded that reduction of the protein allows the interaction with NPR1. Besides forming an internal disulfide bridge, TGA1 is S-nitrosylated or glutathionylated in vitro after treatment with S-nitrosoglutathione, a physiological nitric oxide donor (Lindermayr et al., 2010).

Still, the function of TGA1 is more likely independent of NPR1 as revealed by the triple mutant *tga1 tga4 npr1-1*, which is more susceptible to *Pseudomonas syringae* pv *maculicola* (*Psm ES4326*) than *npr1-1* mutants and *tga1 tga4* double mutants. Moreover, a number of defense genes that are positively regulated by NPR1 are negatively regulated by TGA1 and TGA4. However, the enhanced expression of these genes in the *tga1 tga4* double mutant does not fit to the observed higher susceptibility of the mutant (Shearer et al., 2012). Further studies found that apoplastic defense responses such as oxidative burst and callose deposition after treatment of plants with Pathogen Associated Molecular Patterns (PAMPs) are reduced in the *tga1 tga4* double mutant plants. Total and apoplastic PR1 protein accumulation was reduced in *tga1 tga4* double mutant as well. Moreover, *tga1 tga4* plants showed increased sensitivity to tunicamycin, an inhibitor of N-linked glycosylation that can trigger ER stress, suggesting that the reduced defense responses are associated with aberrant protein secretion. It was concluded that clade I TGA factors act as positive regulators of ER-related secretion pathways (Wang et al., 2013).

1.3 Glutaredoxins

Glutaredoxins (GRXs) are small, ubiquitous oxidoreductases that are important for the regulation of the redox status of target proteins by using glutathione (GSH) as a cofactor. All GRXs contain a conserved active site (CxxC/S) and a GSH binding site (Lillig et al., 2008). Based on the active site, GRXs are divided into three classes (Lemaire et al., 2004). Class I dithiol CxxC type (usually CPYC) and class II monothiol CGFS type are common to all prokaryotes and eukaryotes. Class III CCMC/S type GRXs (also called ROXYs) are only found in the genomes of land plants (Lemaire et al., 2004). For the monothiol mechanism, the CGFS-type GRXs reduce glutathionylated proteins by forming an GRX-GSH complex. The complex is further reduced by a GSH.

For the dithiol mechanism, the CxxC-type GRX reacts with a disulfide bridge of a target protein, resulting in a GRX-protein-mixed disulfide complex. The complex is further reduced by the second resolving cysteine of the active site, yielding a reduced target protein and an oxidized GRX. Subsequently, the oxidized GRX is reduced by GSH, resulting in a reduced GRX and an oxidized GSH. The oxidized GSH can be reduced by glutathione reductase in the presence of NADPH (Fernandes and Holmgren et al., 2004).

It is known that GRXs are involved in assembly of iron sulfur [Fe-S] clusters as well. [Fe-S] clusters are important for fundamental life processes such as electron transfer, substrate binding/activation, enzyme activity, iron-sulfur storage, and regulation of gene expression (Glaser et al., 2000; Johnson et al., 2005). Iron-sulfur [Fe-S] clusters are common in all prokaryotes and eukaryotes, including bacteria, plants and animals. There are more than 120 different types of enzymes and proteins known to contain [Fe-S] clusters.

In *Arabidopsis*, AtGrxC5, a class I glutaredoxin possessing a WCSYC active site, incorporates a [2Fe-2S] cluster when it is in its dimeric holoprotein conformation. Here, the second active site cysteine (Cys32) is required for cluster binding (Couturier et al., 2011). Plant chloroplast class II CGFS-type glutaredoxins, GrxS14 and GrxS16, are able to complement a yeast *grx5* mutant defective in [Fe-S] cluster assembly and GrxS14 can transfer [2Fe-2S] clusters to apo ferredoxin in vitro (Bandyopadhyay et al., 2008).

In yeast, GRX-3 (class II, CGFS) and the BolA-like protein Fe repressor of activation-2 can form a [2Fe-2S]-bridged heterodimer. The heterodimer can transfer [Fe-S] clusters (or Fe²⁺) to Aft2 (activators of ferrous transport) that facilitates Aft2 dimerization, which leads to decrease the DNA-binding affinity and down-regulation of the expression of iron-uptake genes (Poor et al., 2014).

1.3.1 CC-type glutaredoxins (ROXYs)

The land plant-specific CC-type GRXs (named ROXYs in *Arabidopsis*) are characterized by carrying a conserved CC motif in their active site. The biochemical activities of these proteins are poorly understood. Couturier et al. (2010) reported that the in vitro purified poplar class III glutaredoxin protein GrxS7.2 possesses two absorption bands at 322 and 415 nm in the UV/Visible spectrum which is a typical feature of proteins incorporating an [Fe-S] cluster. Yet, the oxidoreductase activity of GrxS7.2 was very weak as compared to the other two class I GRXs, GrxC1 and GrxC4.

The *Arabidopsis thaliana* genome encodes 21 ROXY gens. Besides the conserved CC motif, these proteins contain a L**LL motif and the ALWL motif at the C-terminal end (Figure 2.1). CC-type GRXs can interact with TGA TFs physically and genetically. In *Arabidopsis*, the best studied ROXYs are ROXY1, ROXY2, ROXY18 and ROXY19 (Gutsche et al., 2015).

The mutant *roxy1* was isolated on the basis of aberrant petals with reduced number and abnormal shape. In contrast to wild-type *Arabidopsis*, which has four petals with almost equal size, the petal number of the *roxy1* mutant varies between 0 and 4 with an average of 2.5 (Xing et al., 2005). TGA transcription factors (TGA2, TGA3, TGA7, PAN) were identified as proteins interacting with ROXY1 by yeast two-hybrid screening (Li et al., 2009). Since the petal number of *pan* (PAN is a clade IV TGA transcription factor) is five, it was hypothesized that PAN and ROXY1 interact genetically. Indeed, the *roxy1 pan* double mutant has five petals. This indicates that ROXY1 represses the function of PAN. Furthermore, the residue Cys340 in PAN is important for the phenotype as concluded from the observation that PAN encoding the point mutation C340S cannot complement the phenotype. Therefore, it was speculated that PAN activity is regulated through a redox modification at C340 which is catalyzed by ROXY1. However, experimental evidence for such a mechanism is still

| | | active center | L**LL motif | ALWL motif |
|--------|-----------|------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| ROXY1 | At3g02000 | CCMC | VMASHINGS LVPLL KDAGALWL | |
| ROXY2 | At5g14070 | CCMC | VMASHINGS LVPLL KDAGALWL | |
| ROXY3 | At3g21460 | CCMS | VMTLHLNGS LKILL KEAGALWL | |
| ROXY4 | At3g62950 | CCMC | IISFHVDGS LKQML KDAKAIWL | |
| ROXY5 | At2g47870 | CCMC | VISFHVDGS LKQML KASNAIWL | |
| ROXY10 | At5g18600 | CCMS | VMSLHLNGS LIPML KRAGALWV | |
| ROXY11 | At4g15700 | CCMS | VMSLHLNRS LVPM LKRAGALWL | |
| ROXY12 | At4g15690 | CCMS | VMSLHLNRS LVPM LKRAGALWL | |
| ROXY13 | At4g15680 | CCMS | VMSLHLNRS LVPM LKRVGALWL | |
| ROXY14 | At4g15670 | CCMS | VMSLHLNRS LIPML KRVGALWL | |
| ROXY15 | At4g15660 | CCMS | VMSLHLNRS LIPML KRFGALWL | |
| ROXY17 | At3g62930 | CCMS | VMTLQVKNQ LAAML RRAGAIWV | |
| ROXY18 | At1g03850 | CCLG | LMAAHINGD LVPTL RQAGALWL | |
| ROXY19 | At1g28480 | CCMC | VMATHISGE LVPI LKEVGALWL | |
| ROXY21 | At4g33040 | CCMC | LVALHLSGQ LVPKL VQVGALWV | |
| ROXY6 | At1g06830 | CCLC | VMSMHLSSS LVPLV KPY---LC | |
| ROXY7 | At2g30540 | CCMS | VMSLHLSGS LVPLV KPFQANLC | |
| ROXY8 | At3g62960 | CCLC | VMSLHLSGS LVPLI KPYQSFHN | |
| ROXY9 | At2g47880 | CCLC | VMSLHLSGS LVPLI KPYQSILY | |
| ROXY16 | At1g03020 | CCMS | LMSLQVRNQ LASLL RRAGAIWI | |
| ROXY20 | At5g11930 | CCMC | LVALHLSGQ LIPRL VEVGALWA | |

Figure 2.1: Alignment of the C-terminal sequences of CC-type glutaredoxins (Zander et al., 2012).

The L**LL motif is shown in bold letters with the critical leucine residues in blue. The C-terminal ALWL motif is shown in red.

missing. The single mutant of the closest homolog of ROXY1, *roxy2*, does not cause any obvious phenotype but the *roxy1 roxy2* double mutant was did not produce pollen, similar to the *tga9 tga10* double mutant (Xing et al., 2008; Murmu et al., 2010). Since ROXY1 and ROXY2 can interact with TGA9 and TGA10 (Murmu et al., 2010), it was concluded that ROXY1 and ROXY2 regulate anther development by regulating the activity of TGA9 and TGA10.

ROXY19 (GRX480) was isolated as a TGA2-interacting protein through a modified yeast one-hybrid screening. The expression of *ROXY19* is induced by SA and requires TGA factors and NPR1 (Ndamukong et al., 2007). Ectopic expression of *ROXY19* represses the activation of the jasmonic acid/ET (JA/ET) defense pathway. It acts very early in this signaling cascade by repressing the promoter of the *ORA59* gene. *ORA59* is a regulator of JA/ET-inducible defense genes, including plant defensin gene *PDF1.2*. Consistently, plants ectopically expressing *ROXY19* are more susceptible to necrotrophic pathogens (Lai et al., 2014). *ROXY19*-mediated suppression of gene expression depends on clade II TGA TFs. Since SA represses the JA/ET pathway in a TGA2/5/6-dependent manner, it was postulated that SA-induced *ROXY19* mediates the SA-imposed antagonism over the JA/ET pathway (Ndamukong et al., 2007; Zander et al., 2012). However, this hypothesis was not yet confirmed in the *roxy19* mutant. Moreover, ectopically expressed *ROXY19* represses detoxification genes which depend on clade II TGA factors (Huang, et al., 2016).

ROXY18, the closest homolog of *ROXY19*, was studied by La Camera et al. (2011). The *roxy18* mutant plants are less susceptible to *B. cinerea* as compared to wild-type plants and constitutive expression of *ROXY18* leads to an increased susceptibility to *B. cinerea*, indicating a negative role in regulating defense responses against *B. cinerea*. However, the expression of classical TGA-dependent defense genes like *PR1* and *PDF1.2* are not influenced after infection of the mutant by *B. cinerea*. Therefore, the mechanism how *ROXY18* enhances the susceptibility to *B. cinerea* has remained unknown (La Camera et al., 2011).

The ALWL motif, which is present at the C-terminal end of many ROXYs, is required for the functions of *ROXY1* and *ROXY18*: Complementation analysis of *roxy1-2* mutant with other ROXYs under the control of *ROXY1* native promoter revealed that only the ROXYs containing the ALWL motif are capable of rescuing the abnormal petal phenotype of the *roxy1* mutant (Li et al., 2009). In addition, only ROXYs with the C-terminal ALWL motif suppress *ORA59* promoter activity in *Arabidopsis* protoplasts

(Zander et al., 2012). Recent analysis has shown that the transcriptional co-repressor TOPLESS binds to the ALWL motif (Uhrig et al., 2017). The repressive function of ALWL-containing ROXYs can therefore be explained by the recruitment of TOPLESS to TGA-regulated promoters.

The L**LL motif at the C-terminal end of ROXY1 was found to be required for the interaction with PAN and TGA3 in yeast (Li et al., 2011). The interaction is disrupted by substitutions of any leucine in L**LL to alanine. Consistently, transgenic plants expressing leucine-mutagenized ROXY1 proteins under the control of the *ROXY1* native promoter fail to complement the abnormal petal development of the *roxy1* mutant. Likewise, the repressive function of ROXY19 on the *ORA59* promoter requires this motif (Zander et al., 2012). Whether this motif is required for directly contacting TGA factors or whether it is required for a correct tertiary structure of the protein has not been further investigated.

The CC-active center was found to be required for the biological function of some ectopically expressed ROXYs. For example, the *roxy1* phenotype can be complemented by ectopic expression of *ROXY1* under the control of the *CaMV 35S* promoter, whereas the mutation in the first cysteine (SCMC) of the active site leads to a protein that is unable to complement. In contrast, the mutation in the last cysteine (CCMS) restores the phenotype of over 50% of the T1 *roxy1-3* mutants (Xing et al., 2005). In contrast, when expressed under the endogenous *ROXY1* promoter, the protein was functional (Ziemann et al., 2010). Even mutating the active site into SSMS did not abolish its function. Thus, the importance of the active site for ROXY1 function is still controversial. *ROXY19* containing a SSMS sequence in the active site was not functional in planta (Huang et al., 2016).

1.4 Aim of the study

Since the transcription factors TGA1 and TGA4 have redox-active cysteines and since they interact with ROXYs, the question arose whether ROXYs are involved in the redox modification of TGA1 and TGA4. In the course of this thesis, it was discovered that the *tga1 tga4* mutant shows compromised hyponastic growth. This observation led to the following questions.

- Which signaling cascades activate TGA1/TGA4-dependent hyponastic growth?
- Which genes are regulated by TGA1/TGA4 during hyponastic growth?
- Are the redox-active cysteines important for TGA1 to regulate hyponastic growth?
- Which ROXYs can regulate hyponastic growth and is the catalytic center important for their *in vivo* activities?

2 Materials and Methods

2.1 Materials

2.1.1 Organisms

2.1.1.1 Bacteria

| strain | Description (Genotype) | Usage | Reference |
|---|--|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> DH5α | F ⁻ Φ80 <i>lacZ</i> ΔM15 Δ(<i>lacZYA-argF</i>) U169 <i>recA1</i> <i>endA1 hsdR17</i> (r _k ⁻ , m _k ⁺) <i>phoA</i> <i>supE44 thi-1 gyrA96 relA1</i> λ ⁻ | Plasmid construction | Thermo Fisher Scientific |
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> DB3.1 | F ⁻ <i>gyrA462 endA1</i> Δ(<i>sr1-recA</i>) <i>mcrB mrr hsdS20</i> (rB ⁻ , mB ⁻) <i>supE44 ara-14 galK2 lacY1</i> <i>proA2 rpsL20</i> (SmR) <i>xyl-5</i> λ ⁻ <i>leu</i> <i>mtl1</i> | Plasmid construction | Thermo Fisher Scientific |
| <i>Agrobacterium tumefaciens</i> GV3101 (pMP90RK) | C58; Rif ^R ; Gent ^R | Plant transformation | (Koncz and Schell, 1986) |

2.1.1.3 Plants

| Genotype | Description | Reference |
|-----------------------|--|--|
| Col-0 | <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> Columbia-0 (Col-0) | TAIR |
| <i>tga1 tga4</i> | <i>tga1</i> and <i>tga4</i> double mutant in Col-0 background | Prof. Dr. Yuelin Zhang, (Kesarwani et al., 2007) |
| <i>tga2 tga5 tga6</i> | <i>tga2</i> , <i>tga5</i> and <i>tga6</i> triple mutant in Col-0 | (Zhang et al., |

| | | |
|--------------------|---|---|
| | background | 2003) |
| <i>npr1-1</i> | Knock out line lacking functional NPR1 | (Cao et al., 1994) |
| <i>ein2-1</i> | a strong allele of <i>ein2</i> generated by ethylmethane sulfonate (EMS) mutagenesis | (Roman et al., 1995) |
| <i>phyB-9</i> | a strong allele of <i>phyB</i> generated by ethylmethane sulfonate (EMS) mutagenesis | Professor Dr. Gregg A. Howe (Campos et al., 2006) |
| <i>cry1 cry2</i> | <i>cry1 (hy4-B104)</i> and <i>cry2-1</i> double mutant in col-0 background | Professor Dr. Alfred Batschauer (Mockler et al., 1999) |
| <i>phot1 phot2</i> | <i>phot1-5</i> and <i>phot2-1</i> double mutant in col-0 background | Professor Dr. Alfred Batschauer (Lariguet et al., 2006) |
| <i>shyg-1</i> | homozygous T-DNA insertion line SALK-066615 | Prof. Dr. Bernd Mueller-Roeber (Rauf et al., 2013) |
| <i>shyg-2</i> | homozygous T-DNA insertion line GK-343D11 | Prof. Dr. Bernd Mueller-Roeber (Rauf et al., 2013) |
| <i>35S:SHYG</i> | <i>SHYG</i> overexpression line in Col-0 | Prof. Dr. Bernd Mueller-Roeber (Rauf et al., 2013) |
| <i>HA-gTGA1</i> | <i>tga1 tga4</i> mutant complemented with genomic <i>TGA1</i> with 1xHA fused to the N-terminus of TGA1 | Prof. Dr. Yuelin Zhang (Shearer et al., |

| | | |
|---------------------------|---|---|
| | | 2012) |
| <i>HA-gTGA1cys</i> | <i>tga1 tga4</i> mutant complemented with genomic <i>TGA1</i> conserved cysteine (CNLKQSC) mutated to NNLKQSS with 1xHA fused to the N-terminus of TGA1 | Prof. Dr. Yuelin Zhang The University of British Columbia, Vancouver |
| <i>35S:HA-ROXY19</i> | <i>ROXY19</i> overexpression line in Col-0 with 3xHA fused to the N-terminus of ROXY19 | (Li-Jun Huang et al., 2016) |
| <i>35S:HA-ROXY9</i> | <i>ROXY9</i> overexpression line in Col-0 with 3xHA fused to the N-terminus of ROXY9 | Dr. Martin Muthreich and this work |
| <i>35S:HA-ROXY9SCLC</i> | <i>ROXY9</i> overexpression line with the active site (CCLC) replaced by SCLC in Col-0 with 3xHA fused to the N-terminus of ROXY9 | This work |
| <i>35S:HA-ROXY9CSLC</i> | <i>ROXY9</i> overexpression line with the active site (CCLC) replaced by CSLC in Col-0 with 3xHA fused to the N-terminus of ROXY9 | This work |
| <i>35S:HA-ROXY9CCLS</i> | <i>ROXY9</i> overexpression line with the active site (CCLC) replaced by CCLS in Col-0 with 3xHA fused to the N-terminus of ROXY9 | This work |
| <i>35S:HA-ROXY9AALA</i> | <i>ROXY9</i> overexpression line with the active site (CCLC) replaced by AALA in Col-0 with 3xHA fused to the N-terminus of ROXY9 | This work |
| <i>35S:HA-ROXY9 ΔSILY</i> | <i>ROXY9</i> overexpression line with the C-terminal SILY motif deleted in Col-0 with 3xHA fused to the N-terminus of ROXY9 | This work |
| <i>35S:HA-ROXY9rALWL</i> | <i>ROXY9</i> overexpression line with the C-terminal SILY motif replaced by ALWL motif in Col-0 with 3xHA fused to the | This work |

| | | |
|---------------------|--|-----------|
| | N-terminus of ROXY9 | |
| <i>35S:HA-ROXY8</i> | <i>ROXY8</i> overexpression line in Col-0 with 3xHA fused to the N-terminus of ROXY8 | This work |

2.1.2 Plasmids

| Plasmid | Description | Reference |
|---------------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| pB2GW7.0-HA | Gateway destination vector for gateway cloning with N-terminal 3xHA tag and Basta resistance gene for plant selection | (Weiste et al., 2007) |
| pB2GW7.0-HA-ROXY9 | LR reaction result of pB2GW7.0-HA with pDonor-ROXY9 | Dr. Martin Muthreich |
| pB2GW7.0-HA-ROXY9SCLC | LR reaction result of pB2GW7.0-HA with pDonor-ROXY9SCLC | This work |
| pB2GW7.0-HA-ROXY9CSLC | LR reaction result of pB2GW7.0-HA with pDonor-ROXY9CSLC | This work |
| pB2GW7.0-HA-ROXY9CCLS | LR reaction result of pB2GW7.0-HA with pDonor-ROXY9CCLS | This work |
| pB2GW7.0-HA-ROXY9 Δ SILY | LR reaction result of pB2GW7.0-HA with DNA fragment ROXY9 Δ SILY which the ROXY9 C-terminal SILY motif was deleted | This work |
| pB2GW7.0-HA-ROXY9rALWL | LR reaction result of pB2GW7.0-HA with DNA fragment ROXY9 rALWL in which the ROXY9 C-terminal SILY motif was replaced by ALWL motif | This work |
| pB2GW7.0-HA-ROXY9AALA | LR reaction result of pB2GW7.0-HA with DNA fragment ROXY9AALA | Dr. Martin Muthreich |

| | | |
|--------------------|---|----------------------|
| pB2GW7.0-HA-ROXY8 | LR reaction result of pB2GW7.0-HA with pDonor-ROXY8 | This work |
| pDONR207 | Gateway entry vector with Gentamicin resistance | Invitrogen |
| pDONR207-ROXY9 | BP reaction result of pDonor207 with DNA fragment ROXY9 | Dr. Martin Muthreich |
| pDONR207-ROXY9SCLC | BP reaction result of pDonor207 with DNA fragment ROXY9SCLC which the ROXY9 active site (CCLC) was replaced by SCLC | Moritz Willmer |
| pDONR207-ROXY9CSLC | BP reaction result of pDonor207 with DNA fragment ROXY9CSLC which the ROXY9 active site (CCLC) was replaced by CSLC | Moritz Willmer |
| pDONR207-ROXY9CCLS | BP reaction result of pDonor207 with DNA fragment ROXY9CCLS which the ROXY9 active site (CCLC) was replaced by CCLS | Moritz Willmer |
| pDONR207-ROXY8 | BP reaction result of pDonor207 with DNA fragment ROXY8 | This work |

2.1.3 Primers

2.1.3.1 Primers for real-time PCR

| Abr. | Primer | Sequences (5'-3') |
|------|---------------|--------------------------|
| 126 | SHYG qRT For | GCATGAATATCGTCTTGCCGATTC |
| 127 | SHYG qRT Rev | GGCAAAGAACCCAATCATCCAGTC |
| 128 | EXPA8 qRT For | CCTCTCCAACGATAATGGAGGTTG |
| 129 | EXPA8 qRT Rev | TGGTACTCTTCGAAAGAGACAGG |

| | | |
|-----|----------------|--------------------------|
| 130 | EXPA11 qRT For | GCTTCTGGAACAATGGGTGGAG |
| 131 | EXPA11 qRT Rev | TTAACGCCGCCGTCATTGTC |
| 332 | GH3.6 qRT For | TCACCACCTATGCTGGGCTTTAC |
| 333 | GH3.6 qRT Rev | TGAAACCAGCCACGCTTAGGAC |
| 342 | IAA19 qRT For | TGACGTCGTCGGGTAGTAATAGTG |
| 343 | IAA19 qRT Rev | AGCGTCACCACCAGATGAAACG |
| 352 | XTH8 qRT For | TCTATCGCAGCAACACCGACAC |
| 353 | XTH8 qRT Rev | TGCTTTGTCTGAAATCCACATCCG |
| 318 | XTH33 qRT For | AGCTGGGTTGGTGTCAAAGAAC |
| 319 | XTH33 qRT Rev | AATCCAGCGGGAAGCTTGAGTC |
| | ROXY1 qRT For | AGCTTAGGATTCGGCGGTTTGG |
| | ROXY1 qRT Rev | AGCCAGGGACTCTATACGAAGCAG |
| | ROXY2 | QuantiTect QT00829031 |
| | ROXY3 qRT For | TTAGGCTGTAGCCCTACGGTTC |
| | ROXY3 qRT Rev | TGGCCGTTCTACGAATTTCCC |
| | ROXY4 | QuantiTect QT00797622 |
| | ROXY5 | QuantiTect QT00725788 |
| | ROXY6 | QuantiTect QT00852516 |
| | ROXY7 | QuantiTect QT00760144 |
| | ROXY8 | QuantiTect QT00797629 |
| 102 | ROXY9 qRT For | CTAGCCATCATCAGATCTTCAGAC |
| 106 | ROXY9 qRT Rev | TGGGACAAGAGAGCCACTAAGGTG |
| | ROXY10 qRT For | AGCCAACGAGGTCATGAGTCTAC |
| | ROXY10 qRT Rev | AGCCCGCTTAAGCATGGGAATC |
| | ROXY11 qRT For | GCGTGAACCCGACGATCTATGAAC |
| | ROXY11 qRT Rev | CCTATGAACACCACTGGCACTGTC |
| | ROXY12 qRT For | ACTTTGGCGTGAACCCGACTATC |
| | ROXY12 qRT Rev | CCAATGCTTGCTCTATCTCCCTTC |

| | | |
|-----|----------------|--------------------------|
| 377 | ROXY13 qRT For | TCCATCTCAATCGCTCTCTGGTTC |
| 378 | ROXY13 qRT Rev | ATCAAAGCCATAGTGCTCCAACCC |
| | ROXY14 qRT For | TTCATAGGAGGGCAGCTTGTCG |
| | ROXY14 qRT Rev | AGCATTGGAATGAGAGAACGGTTG |
| | ROXY15 qRT For | TTGGCGTGAACCCGACAATC |
| | ROXY15 qRT Rev | GCCAAGCTGAGCCAATGCATAC |
| | ROXY16 | QuantiTect QT00868077 |
| | ROXY17 | QuantiTect QT00797608 |
| | ROXY18 | QuantiTect QT00867314 |
| | ROXY19 | QuantiTect QT00869715 |
| 388 | ROXY20 qRT For | CGTTGGAGTTCACCCAACAGTG |
| 389 | ROXY20 qRT Rev | ACGGCGAGGTAAGCAATTTCTCC |
| | ROXY21 | QuantiTect QT00820407 |

2.1.3.2 Primers for cloning

| Abr. | Primer | Sequences (5'-3') |
|-------------|------------------------------------|---|
| 153 | ROXY9 SILY removed For | CATTGATCAAACCCTATCAGTAGTCCCTCCGA CCCAGC |
| 154 | ROXY9 SILY removed Rev | GCTGGGTCGGAAGGGACTACTGATAGGGTTT GATCAATG |
| 155 | ROXY9 SILY replaced by ALWL For | CATTGATCAAACCCTATCAGgctctctggctcTAGT CCCTCCGACCCAGC |
| 156 | ROXY9 SILY replaced by ALWL Rev | GCTGGGTCGGAAGGGACTAGAGCCAGAGAG CCTGATAGGGTTTGATCAATG |
| | Seq-L1 | TCGCGTTAACGCTAGCATGGATCTC |
| | Seq-L2 | GTAACATCAGAGATTTTGAGACAC |

2.1.4 Chemicals, kits and antibodies

2.1.4.1 Chemicals

| Chemical | Source |
|--|-------------------|
| 1-Aminocyclopropane-carboxylic acid (ACC) | Calbiochem |
| Acrylamide/Bisacrylamide | Sigma-Aldrich |
| 2-Mercaptoethanol | Carl Roth |
| Agarose | Biozym |
| Ammonium persulfate (APS) | Biometra |
| Ammonium thiocyanate | Sigma-Aldrich |
| Bromophenol blue | Roth |
| Bovine serum albumin (BSA) | Serva |
| Dimethylsulfoxid (DMSO) | Carl Roth |
| Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid (EDTA) | Applichem |
| Ethidiumbromide | Roth |
| Fat-free milk powder | commercial |
| Fluoresceine | BioRad |
| Glycerine | Roth |
| Glycerol | Sigma |
| Guanidinium thiocyanate | Sigma |
| luminol | Sigma Aldrich |
| 2-(N-morpholino) ethanesulfonic acid (MES) | Roth |
| Murashige and Skoog medium (MS medium) | Duchefa |
| Sodium acetate | Roth |
| Orange G | Sigma |
| Peptone BD | Biosciences |
| Phenol | Sigma |
| Select Agar | Life Technologies |
| Select yeast extract | Gibco BRL |

| | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Sodium salicylate | Sigma-Aldrich |
| Sodium lauryl sulfate (SDS) | Roth |
| Sucrose | Roth |
| SYBR Green I | Cambrex |
| Tryptone | Oxoid |
| Tween20 | Roth |
| Tris | Roth |
| Urea | Sigma |

2.1.4.2 Kits and Enzymes

| Kit and Enzyme | Source |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Nucleo Spin® Gel and PCR Clean-up | Macherey-Nagel |
| Nucleo Spin® Plasmid | Macherey-Nagel |
| Phusion High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase | Thermo Scientific |
| RevertAid Reverse Transcriptase | Thermo Scientific |
| BIOTAQ™ PCR Kit | Bioline |
| Advantage® 2 Polymerase Mix | Clontech |
| Gateway® Technology kit | Invitrogen |
| Pierce 660nm Protein Assay Reagent | Thermo Scientific |
| SuperSignal™ West Femto kit | Thermo Scientific |

2.1.4.3 Antibodies

| Antibody | Description | Source |
|----------------------|--|-------------------|
| anti-HA (ChIP grade) | Monoclonal antibody against HA tag from rabbit | Abcam |
| Anti-rabbit | HRP-conjugated anti rabbit IgG from goat | Life Technologies |

2.1.4.4 Standards

| Standard | Source |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| GeneRuler DNA Ladder Mix | MBI Fermentas |
| Prestained Protein Ladder | MBI Fermentas |

2.1.4.5 Devices

| Device | Source |
|---|-------------------|
| arium® pro DI Ultrapure Water deionization device | Sartorius |
| Chemocam | Intas |
| Gene Pulser® II | BioRad |
| MyCyclert™ thermocycler | BioRad |
| Pico17 microcentrifuge | Thermo Scientific |
| pH –Meter HI2212 | Hanna Instruments |
| Photometer Libra S11 | Biochrom |
| Real-time PCR iCycler | BioRad |
| NanoDrop 2000 | Thermo Scientific |
| Vacuum pump Cyclo 1 | Roth |

2.2 Methods

2.2.1 Plant growth and treatments

All lines used were in the Columbia-0 (Col-0) background. Seeds were surface-sterilized by gas (Cl_2 , generated by mixing of 100 ml sodium hypochlorite and 5 ml hydrochloric acid) for two hours before sowing on soil (steamed and supplied with 0,5 ml/L Wuxal as fertilizer). After keeping at 4°C for 2 days for stratification, they were shifted to climate chambers.

For testing hyponastic growth (the study of petiole angles or gene expression), plants were grown at 22°C in short-day (60% relative humidity, 12-h-light/12-h-dark, fluence rate of 100-120 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$). Absolute petiole angles were measured using Image J analysis of photographs. Straight lines were drawn between the adaxial surface of the petiole of leaf number 7 or 8 and the horizontal plane.

For propagating seeds, plants were grown at 22°C in long-day (60% relative humidity, 16-h-light/8-h-dark, fluence rate of 100-120 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$).

2.2.1.1 Low light treatment

Low light was performed by reducing the light intensity from 100~ 120 to 15 ~ 20 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ and it was always initiated 1.5 hours after photoperiod the started to minimize circadian clock effects.

2.2.1.2 Light shifting treatment

Light shifting assay was conducted in two steps: low light pretreatment and afterwards control light treatment. For low light pretreatment, it was initiated 1.5 hours after the beginning of the light period with reduction of the light intensity from 100~ 120 to 15 ~ 20 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ until nearly end of the photoperiod in the climate chamber. For afterwards control light treatment, the low light pretreatment plants

were shifting back to control light directly before the lights went off and photographs were taken or petioles were harvested 7.5 hours after the beginning of the second light period.

2.2.1.3 ACC treatment

Four-week-old soil-grown plants grown under SD (12-h-light/12-h-dark) conditions were sprayed with 1 mM ACC until the surfaces were equally moistened. Control plants were sprayed with water.

2.2.1.4 SA treatment

Four-week-old soil-grown plants grown under SD (12-h-light/12-h-dark) conditions were sprayed with 1 mM SA until the surfaces were equally moistened. SA treatment was initiated 1 hour after low light treatment. Control plants were sprayed with water.

2.2.2 Molecular biology methods

2.2.2.1 Overlap extension PCR cloning

Overlap extension PCR cloning was performed for making mutations of different sites of ROXY9 using pDONOR 207-ROXY9 as a template. The first two PCRs were performed using chimeric primers combined with vector specific primers to create an overlapping part at both ends (namely PCR fragment 1 and fragment 2) so that the final PCR products have overlapping regions. PCR products were subsequently purified using the Nucleospin Extract II Gel Extraction kit (Macherey-Nagel, Germany). After determining the concentration of each DNA fragments using NanoDrop 2000, equimolar amounts of purified two fragments were used as

template in a new PCR reaction. The new DNA fragments containing hybridized insert mutation sites were amplified using vector specific primers. PCR reactions were performed using Phusion High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase (Thermo scientific) with a MyCycler™ Bio-Rad thermocycler. LR reactions were performed to clone the products into Gateway destination vector.

Overlap extension PCR reaction

| PCR1 | | PCR2 | |
|------------------------|---------|------------------------|---------|
| Component | Amount | Component | Amount |
| Plasmid DNA | 100 ng | Plasmid DNA | 100 ng |
| Phusion DNA Polymerase | 0.5 µl | Phusion DNA Polymerase | 0.5 µl |
| 5x PCR buffer | 10 µl | 5x PCR buffer | 10 µl |
| 10 mM dNTPs | 1 µl | 10 mM dNTPs | 1 µl |
| 10 µM pDONOR For | 1 µl | 10 µM Gene For | 1 µl |
| 10 µM Gene Rev | 1 µl | 10 µM pDONOR Rev | 1 µl |
| H2O | 35.5 µl | H2O | 35.5 µl |
| Total 50 µl | | Total 50 µl | |

PCR3

| Component | Amount |
|------------------------|--------|
| PCR1 product | 100 ng |
| PCR2 product | 100 ng |
| Phusion DNA Polymerase | 10 µl |
| 5x PCR buffer | 1 µl |
| 10 mM dNTPs | 1 µl |
| 10 µM pDONOR For | 1 µl |
| 10 µM pDONOR Rev | |
| H2O | |
| Total 50 µl | |

| Cycle steps | Temperature and duration | Cycles |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Initial denaturation | 98°C, 2 min | 1 |
| Denaturation | 98°C 30 sec | |
| Annealing | 55°C, 30 sec | 30 |
| Extension | 72°C, 1 min | |
| Final extension | 72°C, 10 min | 1 |
| Hold | 4°C, ∞ | 1 |

2.2.2.2 Plasmid extraction

E.coli cells were collected by centrifuge for 15 sec and plasmids were isolated using the Nucleospin Mini kit (Macherey and Nagel).

2.2.2.3 Measurement of DNA and RNA concentrations

Thermo Scientific™ NanoDrop 2000 was used to quantify and assess the purity of nucleic acids. 1 µl of DNA (plasmid) or RNA was used for measurement at a wave length of 260 nm. The sample purity was calculated by the ratio 260/280 nm. The optimal ratio for DNA is $OD_{260}/OD_{280} \approx 1.8$ and for RNA is 1.9~2.0.

2.2.2.4 Gateway cloning

The Invitrogen GATEWAY® Technology was used for constructing the entry vectors and destination vectors. The vectors were made by following the steps described in the Invitrogen manual.

2.2.2.5 Gene transfer into *E. coli*

The transformation was performed with the heat shock method according to Hanahan (1983). *E. coli* competent cells (DH5 α , 200 μ l) were thawed on ice for a few minutes. BP or LR reaction results were added and the mixtures were incubated on ice for 30 min. Heat shock was performed at 42°C for 90 sec after which the cells were immediately placed on ice for 2 min. 1 ml dYT was added to the ice-cold cells. After 1 hour recovery at 37°C, the cells were streaked on dYT plates supplemented with required antibiotics. Plates were incubated overnight at 37°C.

2.2.2.6 Gene transfer into *A. tumefaciens*

The transformation was performed with electroporation method according to Mattanovich (1989). Cells of *A. tumefaciens* GV3101 strain (40 μ l) were thawed on ice for a few minutes before adding 100 ng of plasmid. The mixtures were then transferred to an electroporation cuvette following by a single electric pulse (2.5 kV, 25 μ F, 400 W) using GenePulser II equipment. The cells were immediately washed out with 1 ml YEB into a new e-tube and incubated for 2 hours at 29°C. The cells were then streaked on YEB plates supplemented with required antibiotics. Plates were incubated at 29°C for 2 days.

2.2.2.7 Arabidopsis transformation

Floral dip method was used for Agrobacterium-mediated Arabidopsis transformation (Clough and Bent, 1998). Agrobacterium cells, transformed with plasmid of interest, were pre-cultured overnight in 5 ml YEB media supplemented with required antibiotics at 29°C with constant shaking. The pre-cultured YEB media was then mixed in a new 400 ml large culture with required antibiotics in the following day and shacked at 29°C overnight until OD600 \approx 0.8. Cells were harvested by centrifugation (4000 rpm, 10 min, RT). After discarding the supernatant, cells were

re-suspended in 5% sucrose solution mixed with 0.05% Silwet-L77. Arabidopsis inflorescences were dipped into the solution for a few seconds. Plants were then covered with hood and placed in a climate chamber overnight. Positive T1 candidates were selected by Basta selection and protein expressions were analyzed by western blot analysis.

2.2.3 Transcript analysis

2.2.3.1 RNA extraction

TRIZOL method (Chomczynski 1993) was used for plant RNA isolation. Plant powders which were ground in liquid nitrogen were mixed with 1.3 ml of Trizol solution (380 ml/L phenol saturated with 0.1 M citrate buffer pH 4.3, 0.8 M guanidinthiocyanate, 0.4 M ammoniumthiocyanate, 33.4 ml 3 M Na-acetate pH 5.2, 5% glycerol). After immediately vortexing for 10 min at room temperature, 260 μ l chloroform was added to each sample and the mixtures were vortexed for another 10 min. The samples were then centrifuged for 60 min at 13.000 rpm, 4°C. The supernatants (~ 900 μ l) were transferred to new 1.5 ml e-tubes. 325 μ l of HSB buffer (HSB, 1.2 M NaCl, 0.8 M Na-citrate) and 325 μ l of 2-propanol were then added. After mixed well by inverting for several times, the samples were centrifuged again for 30 min at 13.000 rpm, 4°C. The supernatants were discarded and the pellets were washed 2 times with 200 μ l of 70% EtOH. The pellets were dissolved in 20-60 μ l de-ionized water after they were completely dried at room temperature and the concentration was measured as described before.

TRIzol buffer

| Ingredient | Amount per 500 ml |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 380 ml/l phenol with citrate buffer | 190 ml |
| 0.8 M guanidinium thiocyanate | 47.264 g |
| 0.4 M ammonium thiocyanate | 15.224 g |
| 33.4 ml/l Na-acetate (3 M stock) | 16.7 ml |
| 5% glycerine (100%) | 25 ml |
| ddH ₂ O | to 500 ml |

Store at 4°C

2.2.3.2 cDNA synthesis

1 µg RNA was used for cDNA synthesis. The RNA samples were first incubated with 1 µl DNase together with 1 µl 10x DNase buffer (Fermentas) for 30 min. 1 µl 25 mM EDTA then was added to each sample for denaturing DNase activity. After denaturing at 60°C for 10 min, 20 pmol of oligo dT primer and 200 pmol of random nonamer oligonucleotides were added and annealed at 70°C, 10 min. Finally, 20 nmol dNTPs, 4 µl RT 5x reaction buffer and 60 U reverse transcriptase H (Fermentas) were added and the reaction was incubated at 42°C for 70 min followed by incubation at 70°C for 10 min. The prepared cDNA was stored at -20°C for further analysis.

Reaction mix and program for cDNA synthesis

| Stock component | Volume | Temperature and duration |
|----------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 mg/ml RNA | 1 μ l | 37°C, 30 min |
| 10x DNase buffer | 1 μ l | |
| DNase | 1 μ l | |
| ddH ₂ O | to 10 μ l | |
| 25 mM EDTA | 1 μ l | 65°C, 10 min |
| 100 μ M oligo-dT | 0.2 μ l | 70°C, 10 min |
| 200 μ M random monomer | 1 μ l | |
| 5x RT-buffer | 4 μ l | 42°C, 70 min then 70°C, 10 min |
| 10 mM dNTPs | 2 μ l | |
| Reverse Transcriptase | 0.2 μ l | |
| ddH ₂ O | to 20 μ l | |

2.2.3.3 Quantitative real-time PCR (qRT-PCR)

Quantificative real-time PCR was performed using MyiQ™ Real-Time PCR Detection Systems (Bio-Rad, USA). The primers used in real-time PCR are listed in Table 2.1.3.1. The reaction mixture of real-time PCR was as follows: 1 μ l of 1:10 diluted cDNA, 1x NH₄-reaction buffer (Bioline), 2 mM MgCl₂, 100 μ M dNTPs, 0.4 μ M primers, 0.25 U BIOTaq DNA polymerase, 10 nM fluoresceine (BioRad), 100,000x diluted SYBR Green I (Cambrex) solution and 17.2 μ l de-ionized water water (final volume 25 μ l). The conditions of real-time PCR were as follows: 95°C for 6 min, 40 cycles of 95°C for 20 s and 55°C for 20 s, followed by 72°C for 40 s. The obtained Ct values were normalized to housekeeping gene UBC5 and calculation of relative gene expression was done with the $2^{-[CT(\text{gene of interest})-CT(\text{reference gene})]}$ method (Schmittgen and Livak, 2008).

Reaction mix for qRT-PCR using BIOTAQ DNA Polymerase

| Stock component | Volume in a 25 μ l reaction |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 10X NH ₄ reaction buffer | 2.5 μ l |
| MgCl ₂ 25 mM | 1 μ l |
| dNTPs 10 mM | 0.25 μ l |
| For and Rev primers (each 4 mM) | 2.5 μ l |
| Sybr Green (1/1000) | 0.25 μ l |
| Fluorescein (1 μ M / 1:1000) | 0.25 μ l |
| BIOTAQ DNA Polymerase | 0.05 μ l |
| cDNA template | 1 μ l |

Program of qRT-PCR cyclers using BIOTAQ DNA Polymerase

| Cycle step and repeat | Temperature and duration | Cycles |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------|
| Initial denaturation | 95°C, 90 sec | 1 |
| Denaturation | 95°C, 20 sec | |
| Annealing | 55°C, 20 sec | 39 |
| Extension | 72°C, 40 sec | |
| Final extension | 72°C, 4 min | 1 |
| | 95°C, 1 min | 1 |
| Generation of melting curve | 55°C, 1 min | 1 |
| | 55°C, 10 sec (+0.5°C/cycle) | 81 |

2.2.3.4 Microarray analysis

Four-week soil-grown wild-type, *tga1 tga4* were used for transcriptome analysis. For each type of sample, the petioles of 15 plants were harvested and four independent experiments were performed. Total RNA was extracted by TRIZOL method. RNA samples were sent to the transcriptome lab at Goettingen University where the RNA samples were analyzed with Affymetrix GeneChips® Gene 1.0 ST Arrays.

Robust Multi-array Average (RMA) was used to normalize the arrays. Fold change values, and corresponding p-values derived from moderated t-statistics were obtained from the Affymetrix CEL files using the Robin 1.1.2 software (Lohse et al., 2010) (analyzed by Dr. Corinna Thurow). The AgriGO analysis tool from website (<http://bioinfo.cau.edu.cn/agriGO/>) was used for the functional classification of differentially expressed genes. The Motif Mapper (version 5.2.4.01) was used to define significant enriched promoter motifs compared to 1000 randomly composed, equally sized, reference promoter datasets. (Berendzen et al., 2012)

2.2.4 Protein analysis

2.2.4.1 Protein extraction

Proteins of four-week-old soil-grown Arabidopsis plants were harvested for protein extraction. Urea buffer was added to the deep frozen plant powder (~ 200 µl) and the mixture was shaken at 65°C for 10 min. Afterwards the solution was centrifuged for 20 min at 13000rpm at room temperature and the supernatant was used for further protein expression analysis.

Protein extraction buffer

| Ingredient | Final concentration |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Urea | 4 M |
| Glycerol | 16.6% (v/v) |
| SDS | 5% (w/v) |
| β -mercaptoethanol | 0.5% (w/v) |

2.2.4.2 Determination of protein concentrations

Protein concentrations were measured with the detection solution which was made by mixing 20 ml of Pierce 660 nm Protein Assay Reagent with 1 g of Ionic Detergent Compatibility Reagent (IDCR) (Thermo Scientific). 1 μ l of protein extract was added to the well of a microtitre plate together with 150 μ l of detection solution. The reaction was incubated for 5 min at room temperature. OD was measured at 660 nm by using the BioTek plate reader. Protein concentrations were determined with the help of standard curve derived from 0 μ l, 1 μ l, 3 μ l, 6 μ l, 9 μ l of 1 mM BSA (Bovine serum albumin).

2.2.4.3 SDS-PAGE

SDS-PAGE (sodium dodecyl sulfate-polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis) was performed according to the method described by Weber (1977). 20 μ g protein samples were loaded to the stacking gel and the electrophoresis was performed at 70 V for 30 min and at 120 V for 1 hour and 30 min until bromophenol blue band reached the end of the separation gel. A prestained ladder (6 μ l) was used for estimating the size of the protein signals.

Stacking gel (12%, 10 ml)

| Ingredient | Amount |
|------------------------|-----------|
| ddH ₂ O | 4.0 ml |
| Acrylamide/ | 3.3 ml |
| Bisacrylamide (37.5:1) | |
| Tris-HCl pH 6.8 | 2.5 ml |
| 10% SDS | 0.1 ml |
| 10% APS | 0.1 ml |
| TEMED | 4 μ l |

Separation gel (12%, 10 ml)

| Ingredient | Amount |
|------------------------|------------|
| ddH ₂ O | 6.8 ml |
| Acrylamide/ | 1.7 ml |
| Bisacrylamide (37.5:1) | |
| Tris-HCl pH 6.8 | 1.25 ml |
| 10% SDS | 0.1 ml |
| 10% APS | 0.1 ml |
| TEMED | 10 μ l |

2.2.4.4 Immunoblot Analysis

After separated in 12% SDS-PAGE gels, proteins were transferred to PVDF (Polyvinylidene difluoride, Roti®-PVDF, Roth) membrane using a semi-dry blot method (150 mA, 30 min). The PVDF membrane was then blocked at room temperature for 30 min with 5% (w/v) non-fat milk in TBST. Immunoblot analysis was carried out using rat α -HA antibody. The antigen protein was detected by chemiluminescence using a SuperSignal™ West Femto Maximum Sensitivity Substrate kit (Thermo scientific) according to the manufacturer's protocol and the luminescence was detected in a chemocam (Intas).

3 Results

3.1 The *tga1 tga4* mutant shows reduced hyponastic growth

The two redundant transcription factors TGA1 and TGA4 encode conserved redox-sensitive cysteine residues, which might serve as targets of the TGA-interacting ROXY-type glutaredoxins. Although TGA1 and TGA4 have been studied for many years, the functional significance of the SA-mediated redox-modification on the expression of target genes has remained unclear (Després et al., 2003; Shearer et al., 2012). Interestingly, we found that the *tga1 tga4* mutant displayed reduced hyponastic growth under various conditions, including low light, ethylene or elevated temperature (Figure 3.1). Due to the robustness and easy scoring of this phenotype, we focused on this novel function of TGA1 and TGA4 in our further analysis.

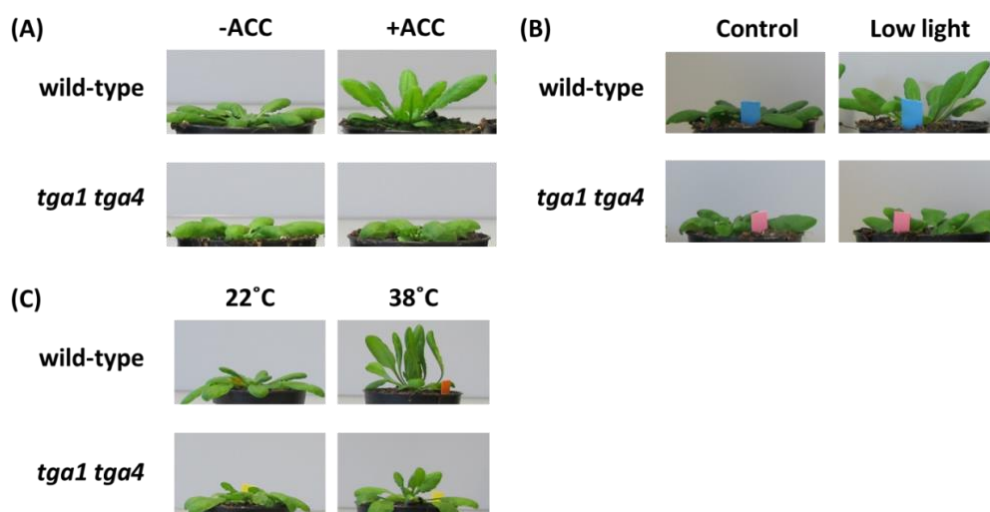


Figure 3.1 The *tga1 tga4* mutant is impaired in hyponastic growth.

(A) Representative photographs of wild-type and *tga1 tga4* plants after 6 h of treatment with the ET precursor ACC (1-aminocyclopropane-1-carboxylic acid, 1mM)

(B) Representative photographs of wild-type and *tga1 tga4* plants after 6 h of low light treatment ($15\text{-}20 \mu\text{mol photons m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$).

(C) Representative photographs of wild-type and *tga1 tga4* plants after 6 h of elevated temperature treatment (38°C).

Before treatments, plants were grown for 4 weeks under short day conditions (12-h-light at $100\text{-}120 \mu\text{mol photons m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ /12-h-dark, 22°C).

3.2 Low light-induced hyponastic growth partially acts through the ethylene and the phototropin pathways

As shown in Figure 3.1, the *tga1 tga4* mutant shows reduced hyponastic growth, independent of whether the response is triggered by low light, ethylene or heat. In order to estimate whether the ethylene pathway plays a role in the light-induced hyponastic growth under our experimental conditions, we analysed the *ethylene-insensitive (ein2-1)* mutant (Alonso, et al., 1999). To obtain quantitative data, we measured the angles between leaf petioles and the horizontal plane as shown in Figure 3.2. In the wild-type, petiole angles increased around threefold in response to six hours of low light treatment. This response was diminished in the *ein2* mutant. Apparently, the ethylene pathway contributes to the low light-induced hyponastic growth under our growth conditions.

Next, we tested the influence of photoreceptors on the hyponastic response using the *phyB* (deficient in phytochrome B) (Reed et al., 1993), *cry1 cry2* (deficient in cryptochromes 1 and 2) (Mockler et al., 1999) and *phot1 phot2* (deficient in phototropins 1 and 2) mutants (Lariguet et al., 2006). All three mutants behaved differently as described (Millenaar et al., 2009). The *phyB* mutant (Landsberg) was reported to have constitutively elevated leaves (Mullen et al., 2006; Millenaar et al., 2009), whereas the *phyB* mutant in the Columbia background had even decreased petiole angles under control light conditions and showed an exaggerated hyponastic response under low light conditions (Figure 3.2C). The *cry1 cry2* double mutant in the Landsberg background showed reduced hyponastic growth (Millenaar et al., 2009), which was not observed in our Columbia-derived mutants (Figure 3.2D). Finally, the *phot1 phot2* (Landsberg/Wassilewsklija) was like wild-type in previous experiments (Millenaar et al., 2009), whereas the respective double mutant in the Columbia background showed impaired hyponastic growth (Figure 3.2D). Since our low light treatment (4-week-old plants grown under a 12-h photoperiod at 100-120 μmol

photons $\text{m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ and subsequent shift to 15-20 $\mu\text{mol photons m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ for six hours) is similar to the treatment of Millenaar et al. (2009) (plant with 15 rosette leaves grown under a 9 h photoperiod at 200 to 20 $\mu\text{mol photons m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$), the use of different ecotypes might explain the discrepancy.

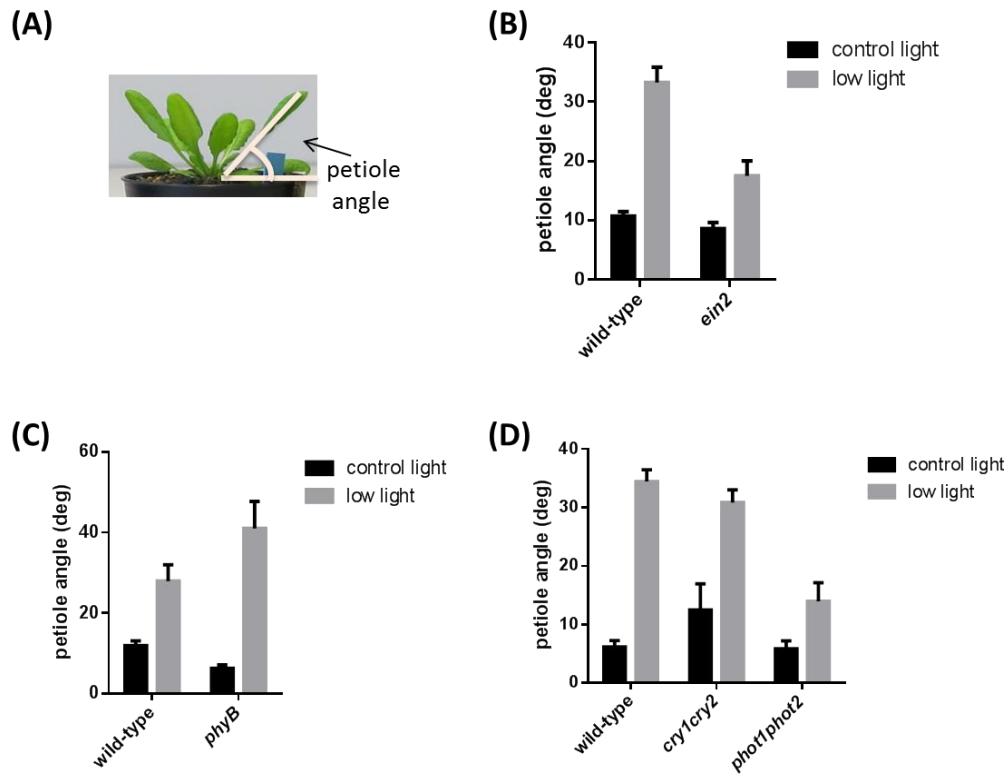


Figure 3.2 Low light-induced hyponastic growth partially acts through the ethylene and the phototropin pathways.

(A) Absolute petiole angles were measured using Image J analysis of photographs. Straight lines were drawn between the adaxial surface of the petiole of leaf number 7 or 8 and the horizontal plane. Plants were grown for 4 weeks under short day conditions (12-h-light at 100-120 $\mu\text{mol photons m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ /12-h-dark). Low light treatment (6 h at 15-20 $\mu\text{mol photons m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$) was initiated 1.5 h after the start of the photoperiod and photographs were taken after 6 h.

(B-D) Leaf angles of the indicated genotypes were measured as described in (A). Error bars represent the average \pm SEM of nine plants. The images for petiole angle measurement are shown in Supplementary Figure S6 and Supplementary Figure S7.

Collectively, our analysis has shown that the reduction of the light intensity is at least partially detected by the blue light receptor phototropin which might trigger ethylene synthesis and signaling. However, both mutations do not diminish the response as strongly as the *tga1 tga4* alleles indicating that TGA1 and TGA4 control responses downstream of these and other signaling cascades.

3.3 Redox-active cysteines of TGA1 are not important for the regulation of hyponastic growth

As revealed by the phenotype of the *tga1 tga4* mutant, TGA1 and TGA4 are required for hyponastic growth and the regulation of their activity might be a means to control the response. Since transcript levels of both proteins did not change upon transfer of plants to low light (Supplementary Figure S1), we explored, whether the activity of these factors might be modulated at the protein level. Previously, it has been reported that two cysteines in the peptide stretch CNLKQSC in TGA1 can form a disulfide bridge which is reduced in SA-treated plants (Despres et al., 2003). Therefore, we asked the question whether these cysteines are important for the function of TGA1. To this end, the *tga1 tga4* mutant was complemented with wild-type and mutant *TGA1* sequences. Since *CaMV35S:TGA1* constructs cannot complement the *tga1 tga4* phenotype (Lindermayr et al., 2010), engineered genomic clones were used. Cysteine residue in position 260 was altered into an asparagine and cysteine residue in position 266 was changed into a serine as described before (Despres et al., 2003). *tga1 tga4* mutants transformed with the wild-type gene are called *gTGA1* plants from here on, plant lines encoding the mutated gene are called *gTGA1cys* plants. Both constructs contain an HA-tag at the N terminus (Figure 3.3A). Seeds containing these constructs were obtained from Prof. Dr. Yuelin Zhang, UBC Vancouver. Two independent lines carrying the *gTGA1* and *gTGA1cys* constructs, respectively, displayed low light-induced leaf re-orientation resembling the wild-type. This analysis shows that the N-terminally tagged TGA1 is functional in this assay, irrespective of whether it contains the redox-regulated cysteines.

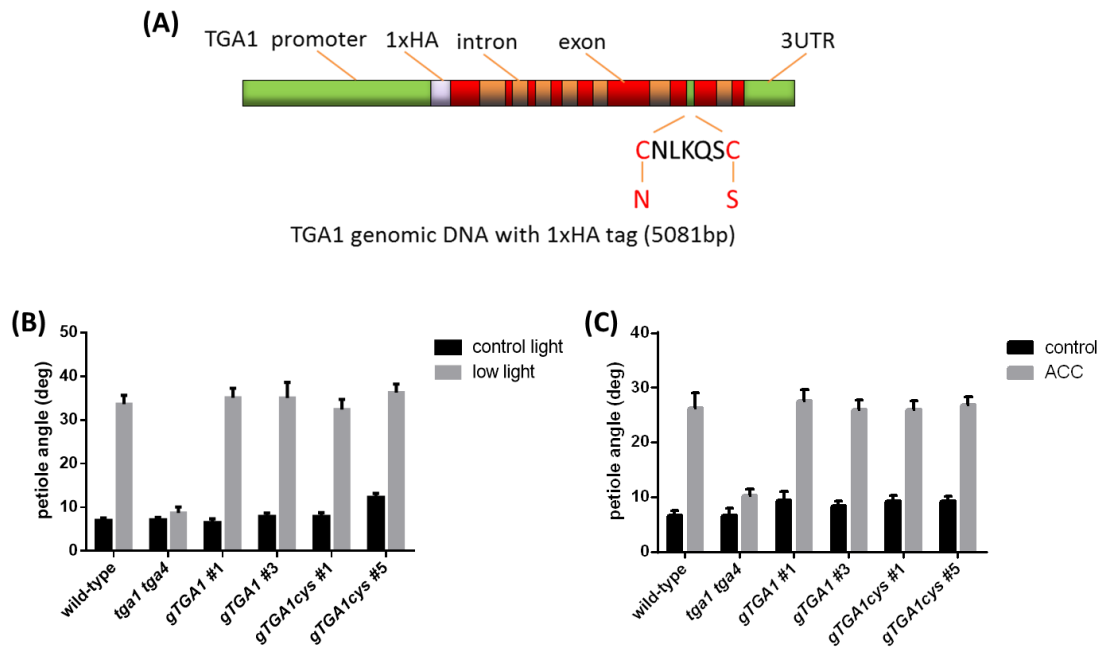


Figure 3.3 Redox-active cysteines of *TGA1* are not important for the regulation of hyponastic growth.

(A) Structure of the genomic *TGA1* genes (*gTGA1* and *gTGA1cys*) used for complementation assays. The relative position of the redox-active cysteines, which were mutated to asparagine and serine in *gTGA1cys*, respectively, is shown.

(B) Effect of low light treatment (reduction in light intensity from 100-120 to 15-20 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$) on the hyponastic growth of wild-type, *tga1 tga4*, and two independent transgenic *gTGA1* and *gTGA1cys* complementation lines. See Figure legend 3.2 for details of plant growth and leaf angle measurements. Bars represent the average \pm SEM of ten plants. The images for petiole angle measurement are shown in Supplementary Figure S9.

(C) Effect of ACC (1-aminocyclopropane-1-carboxylic acid, 1 mM, 6 h) on the hyponastic growth of the indicated plant lines. Plants were grown for 4 weeks under short day conditions (12-h-light/12-h-dark) before treatment. Bars represent the average \pm SEM of ten plants. The images for petiole angle measurement are shown in Supplementary Figure S8.

3.4 Redox-active cysteines of TGA1 are not important for salicylic acid-mediated inhibition of hyponastic growth

Since exogenous salicylic acid (SA) leads to the reduction of C260 and C266 of TGA1 *in vivo* (Després et al., 2003) and since it interferes with low light-induced hyponastic growth (Ritsema, et al., 2010), we hypothesized that the redox-active cysteines might play a role in this effect. Therefore, wild-type, *tga1 tga4* and *gTGA1* and *gTGA1cys* complementation lines were transferred to low light. After transfer, half of the plants were sprayed with 1 mM SA, which led to a reduced hyponastic response in wild-type and the complementation lines. This experiment indicates that the SA-mediated redox modulation does not play a role for the negative effect of SA on hyponastic growth

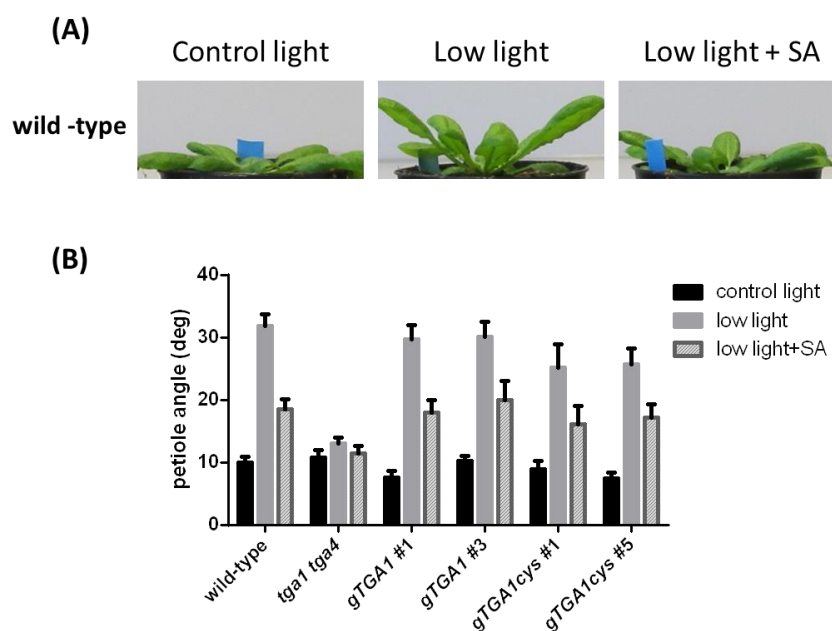


Figure 3.4 Redox-active cysteines of TGA1 are not important for salicylic acid-mediated inhibition of hyponastic growth.

(A) Representative pictures of plants subjected to low light (reduction in light intensity from 100-120 to 15-20 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$) or low light in combination with 1 mM SA, which was sprayed 1 h after the onset of the low light treatment.

(B) Effect of low light or low light in combination with 1 mM SA on the hyponastic growth of wild-type, *tga1 tga4*, and two independent *gTGA1* and *gTGA1cys* lines. See Figure legend 3.2 for details of plant growth and leaf angle measurements. Bars represent the average \pm SEM of 10 plants. The images for petiole angle measurement are shown in Supplementary Figure S10.

3.5 NPR1 and the redundant TGA factors TGA2, TGA5 and TGA6 are required for SA-mediated inhibition of hyponastic growth

SA-mediated suppression of low light-induced hyponasty was further tested in the *npr1-1* mutant, in which SA-activated gene expression and systemic acquired resistance are abolished (Cao et al., 1994). Increased petiole angles can be triggered by low light in the *npr1-1* mutant as well as in wild-type (Figure 3.5). However, the SA-mediated suppression of low light-induced leaf reorientations was almost abolished in *npr1-1*. Since NPR1 and the redundant TGA factors TGA2, TGA5 and TGA6 function together to establish and maintain systemic acquired resistance and in suppressing of the jasmonic acid-induced defense pathway (Cao et al., 1994; Spoel et al., 2003; Zhang et al., 2003; Zander et al., 2009), we asked whether they control SA-mediated suppression of hyponastic growth as well. As shown in Figure 3.5, SA cannot suppress low light-induced leaf movement in the *tga2 tga5 tga6* mutant. It is concluded that TGA2, TGA5, and TGA6 but not TGA1 and TGA4 are required for SA-mediated inhibition of hyponastic growth.

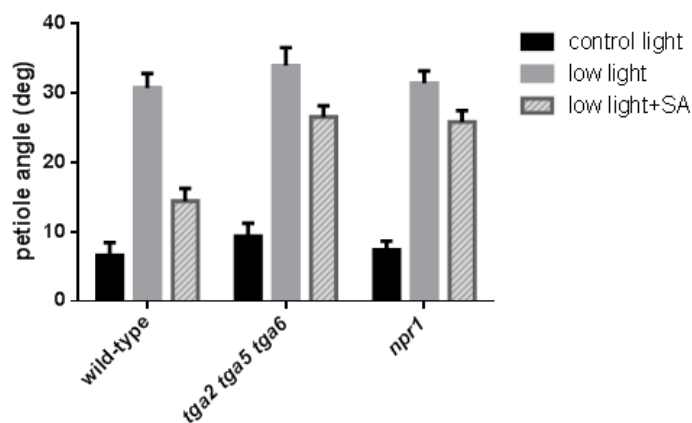


Figure 3.5 NPR1 and TGA2, TGA5 and/or TGA6 are required for SA-mediated inhibition of hyponastic growth.

Four-week-old soil-grown wild-type, *tga2 tga5 tga6*, and *npr1-1* plants were subjected to low light and low light plus 1 mM SA treatment. See Figure legend 3.2 for details of plant growth and leaf angle measurements. Error bars represent the average ± SEM of 6 individual plants. The images for petiole angle measurement are shown in Supplementary Figure S11.

3.6 The redox state of TGA1/TGA4 is not important for the reversal of hyponastic growth after transferring low light-treated plants back to control light intensities

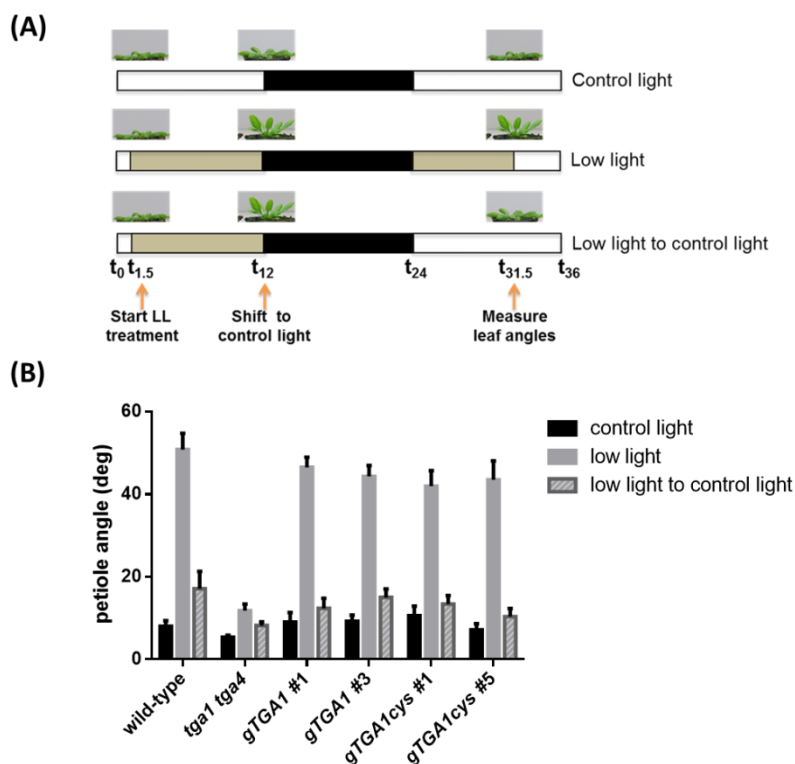


Figure 3.6 The redox state of TGA1/TGA4 is not important for the reversal of hyponastic growth after the transfer of low light-treated plants back to control light conditions.

(A) Scheme of the experimental design. Four-week-old plants were grown under a 12-h-light/12-h-dark regime. Low light (LL) treatment was initiated 1.5 hours after the beginning of the light period ($t_{1.5}$). Plants were transferred back to control light shortly before the lights went off (t_{12}) and plants were analysed after 7.5 h of the second light period ($t_{31.5}$).

(B) Plants of the indicated genotypes were subjected to the light regime displayed in (A). Petiole angles were measured at $t_{31.5}$. Error bars represent the average \pm SEM of 8 individual plants. The images for petiole angle measurement are shown in Supplementary Figure S12.

Next, we tested whether the redox state of TGA1 might play a role in the reversal of the hyponastic growth which is observed after transferring low light-treated plants to control light conditions. As described before, low light treatment was initiated 1.5 hours after the start of the photoperiod but was continued in this experiment for 10.5 hours. When the dark period started, half of the plants were transferred to a different growth chamber so that they would face control light conditions in the next

morning, whereas half of the plants would face low light conditions after the dark period. Plant leaves of all tested genotypes became more horizontal at 7.5 hours after transfer to control light conditions (Figure 3.6). Collectively, our results suggest that the redox state of TGA1/TGA4 is not important for either initiating or terminating low light-induced hyponastic growth in *Arabidopsis*.

3.7 The expression pattern of CC-type glutaredoxins *ROXY8* and *ROXY9* is consistent with their potential role as repressors of TGA1 and TGA4

Next we searched for other potential mechanisms that might regulate the activity of TGA1 and TGA4. TGA transcription factors interact with CC-type glutaredoxins, which are represented by a 21-membered gene family in *Arabidopsis* (Ziemann et al., 2009). The interaction seems to interfere with TGA factor activity, as demonstrated for ROXY1, which represses the TGA factor PAN. Both factors are co-expressed in floral meristems (Li et al., 2009). Furthermore, ROXY19 is induced by SA and represses genes that are regulated by the SA-responsive NPR1/TGA2, TGA5 and/or TGA6 module (Ndamukong et al., 2007; Zander et al., 2012). In order to test which ROXYs might interfere with the activity of TGA1 and TGA4 during hyponastic growth, expression of all 21 CC-type glutaredoxins was analysed by real-time PCR in response to the light regime described in Figure 3.6 (Figure 3.7). Assuming that ROXYs are negative regulators of TGA1 and TGA4, their expression should be low under low light (when the petioles grow upwards) and high under control light conditions. Whereas several ROXYs were induced by low light (ROXY1, ROXY2, ROXY4, ROXY10, ROXY16, ROXY17), the mRNA levels of ROXY9 and ROXY20 were reduced under low light conditions. After the transfer of low-light treated plants to control light conditions transcript levels were induced or even hyper-induced in the case of ROXY9. This hyper-induction is also observed for ROXY8, which belongs to the same clade as ROXY9. In addition, transcript levels of *ROXY8*, *ROXY9* and *ROXY20* expression are low in *tga1 tga4* (Figure 3.8). This is reminiscent of ROXY19, which controls the activity of TGA2, TGA5 and TGA6 and is regulated by these factors (Ndamukong et al., 2007). In

addition, we investigated the expression of *ROXY9* in the *gTGA1* and *gTGA1cys* complementation lines. Consistent with the wild-type-like phenotype of these plants with respect to light-controlled hyponastic growth, the expression of *ROXY9* was repressed by low light and induced after transfer to control light in both lines (Supplementary figure S3). Previously, Dr. Martin Muthreich (Prof. Dr. Christiane Gatz lab, Department of Plant Molecular Biology and Physiology) found that TGA1 and TGA4 interact with ROXY9 in the yeast two hybrid system and in bimolecular fluorescence complementation experiments in Arabidopsis protoplasts. Collectively, our results support a functional relationship between TGA1 and TGA4 and at least ROXY9.

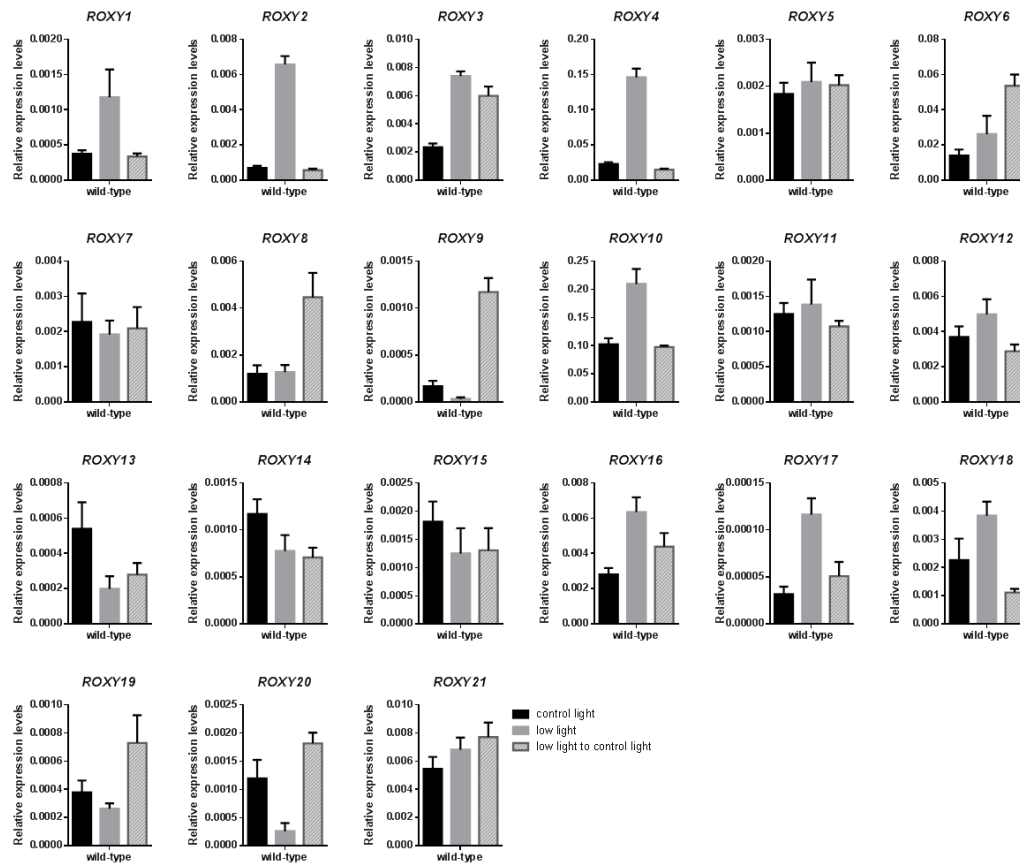


Figure 3.7 Expression of 21 CC-type glutaredoxins

qRT-PCR analysis of 21 ROXYs expression in wild-type. Plants were subjected to the light regime displayed in Figure 3.6A. Transcript levels were normalized to the transcript level of *UBQ5* (ubiquitin 5). Error bars represent the average ± SEM of five biological replicates, each with dissected petioles from five independent plants.

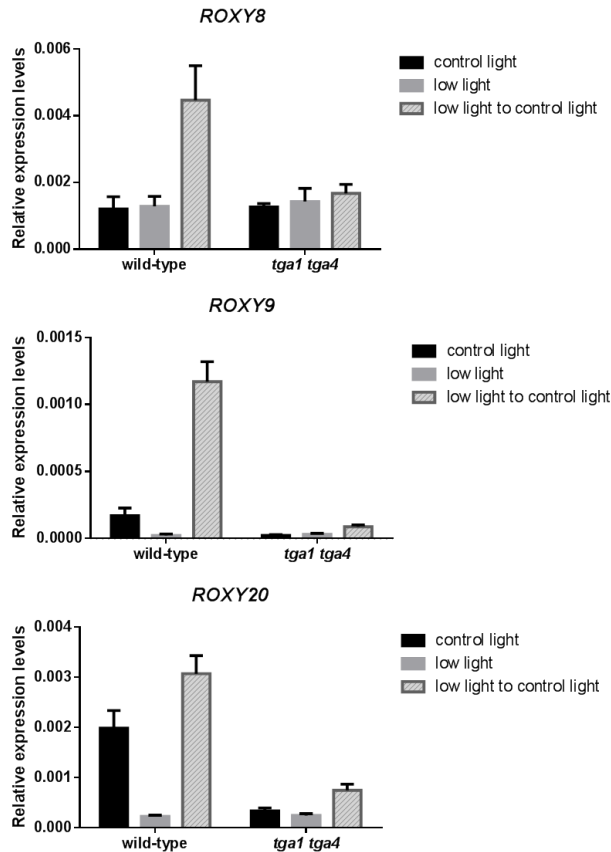


Figure 3.8 Expression of ROXY9 negatively correlates with hyponastic growth and depends on TGA1 and TGA4.

qRT-PCR analysis of *ROXY8*, *ROXY9* and *ROXY20* expression. Plants were subjected to the light regime displayed in Figure 3.6A. Transcript levels were normalized to the transcript level of *UBQ5* (ubiquitin 5). Error bars represent the average \pm SEM of five biological replicates, each with dissected petioles from five independent plants.

3.8 Overexpression of ROXY8 or ROXY9 phenocopies the *tga1 tga4* phenotype

Due to the lack of T-DNA insertion mutants in the potentially redundant *ROXY8* and *ROXY9* genes and the potential redundancy with at least *ROXY20*, we asked the question whether *ROXY8* and *ROXY9* can repress hyponastic growth when ectopically expressed under the control of the *CaMV 35S* promoter. As shown in Figure 3.9, five independent homozygous *35S:HA-ROXY8* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* lines showed reduced degrees of petiole angles in response to low light treatment which is similar to the

phenotype of the *tga1 tga4* double mutant. In contrast, *35S:HA-ROXY19* plants responded like wild-type plants, indicating the hyponasty-deficient phenotype of the *35S:HA-ROXY8* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* *ROXY8/9* lines requires specific features of the proteins which are not present in *ROXY19*. Consistent with the concept that *ROXY19* represses the function of clade II TGA TFs, *35S:HA-ROXY19* plants did not react to the negative signal SA, as observed before for the *tga2 tga5 tga6* mutant (Figure 3.5)

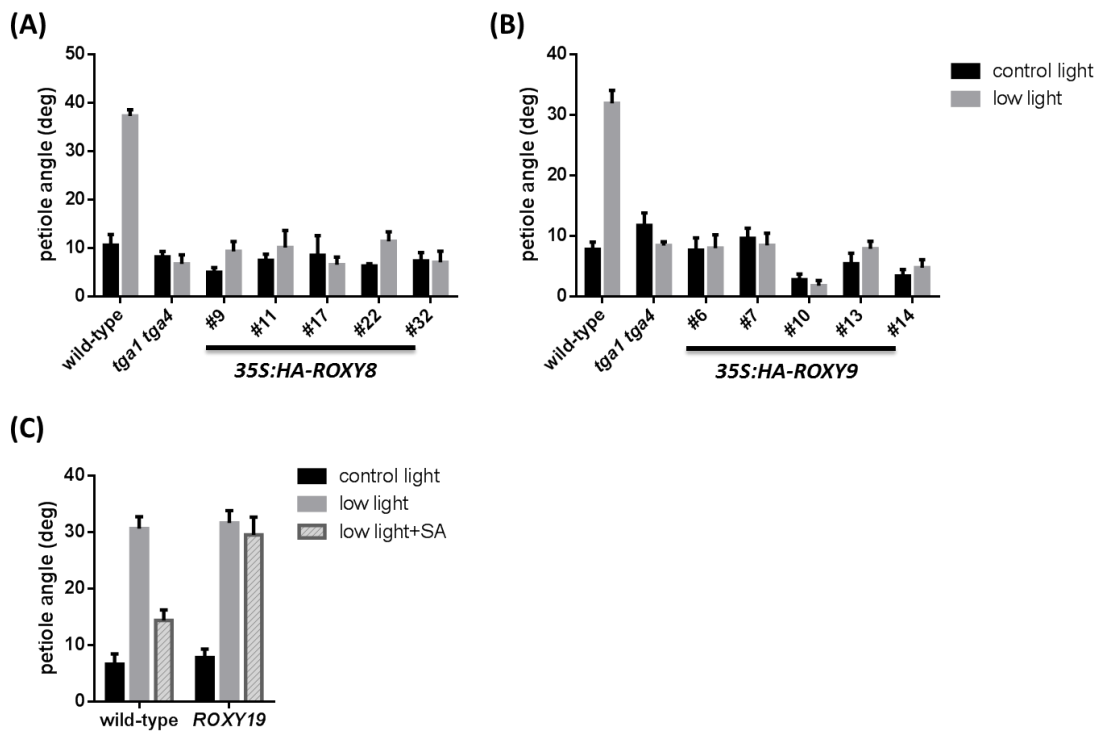


Figure 3.9 Overexpression of ROXY8 or ROXY9 phenocopies the *tga1 tga4* phenotype.

Effect of low light treatment (reduction in light intensity from 100-120 to 15-20 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$) on the hyponastic growth of wild-type, *tga1 tga4*, and independent transgenic lines expressing either *ROXY8* (A), *ROXY9* (B) or *ROXY19* (C) under the control of the *CaMV 35S* promoter. All proteins were fused to an HA-tag. See Figure legend 3.2 for details of plant growth and leaf angle measurements. Bars represent the average \pm SEM of 3 (*ROXY8*), 9 (*ROXY9*) or 6 plants (*ROXY19*). The images for petiole angle measurement are shown in Supplementary Figure S13 and Supplementary Figure S14.

3.9 The sequence of the C-terminal end of ROXY9 is not important for its repressive effect on hyponastic growth

Most of ROXYs contain a functionally important C-terminal ALWL motif, which recruits the transcriptional co-repressor TOPLESS (Uhrig et al., 2017). Only ROXYs possessing this motif complemented the phenotype of *roxy1* (Li et al., 2009). Likewise, only ROXYs with this motif can repress the expression of TGA2-dependent target promoters (Zander et al., 2012). In contrast, ROXY8 and ROXY9 belong to a clade of ROXYs that do not encode the conserved ALWL motif at the very C-terminal end. Instead, ROXY9 contains a SILY motif (Figure 3.10A).

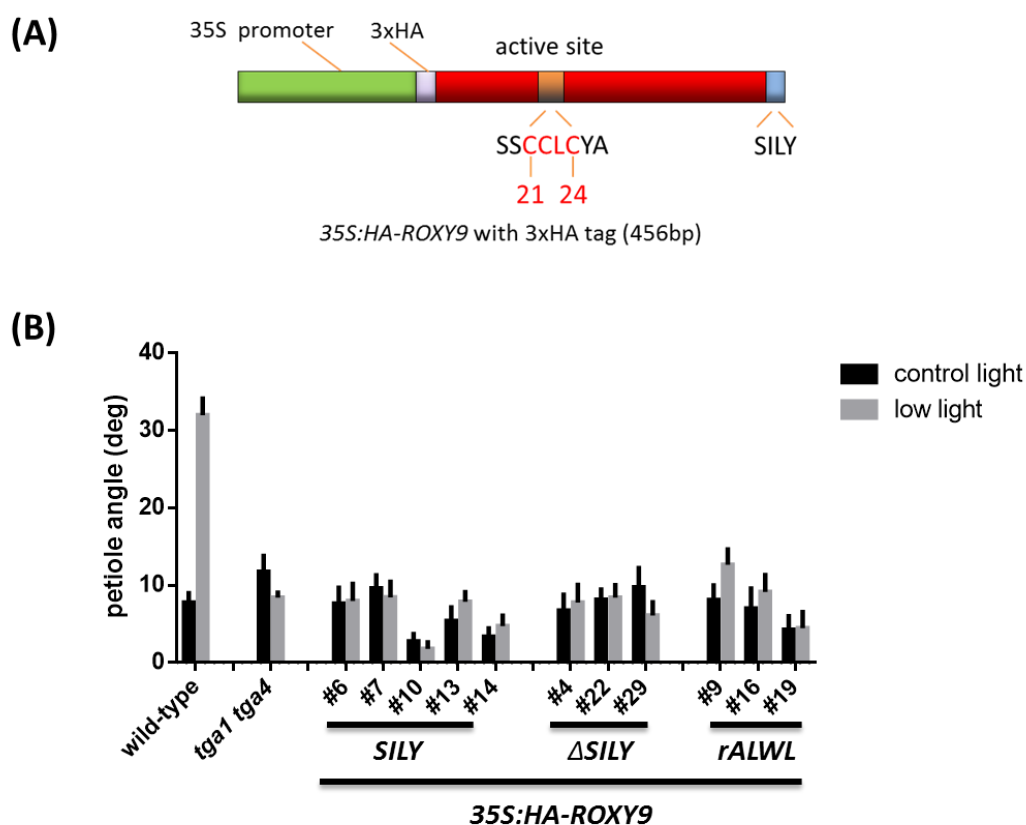


Figure 3.10 The sequence of the C-terminal end of ROXY9 is not important for its repressive effect on hyponastic growth.

Effect of low light treatment (reduction in light intensity from 100-120 to 15-20 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$) on the hyponastic growth of wild-type, *tga1 tga4*, and independent transgenic lines expressing either ROXY9, ROXY9 lacking the SILY (ROXY9(Δ SILY)) motif and ROXY9 encoding an ALWL motif instead of the SILY motif (ROXY9(*rALWL*)) under the control of the *CaMV* 35S promoter. All proteins were fused to an HA-tag. See Figure legend 3.2 for details of plant growth and leaf angle measurements. Bars represent the average \pm SEM 9 plants of each transgenic line.

In order to analyse the role of the C-terminal end of ROXY9, we either deleted it (*35S:HA-ROXY9 Δ SILY*) or replaced it by the ALWL motif (*35S:HA-ROXY9rALWL*). Independent lines carrying these constructs showed impaired hyponastic growth as observed for *35S:HA-ROXY9* lines after transfer to low light intensities. Since the SILY motif is not present in ROXY8, the results obtained with the *35S:HA-ROXY9 Δ SILY* were expected. Importantly, we can conclude that the ALWL motif does not interfere with the repressive function of ROXY9 (Figure 3.10B).

3.10 The sequence of CCLC motif in the active center of ROXY9 is important for its repressive effect on hyponastic growth

Next, we characterized the importance of the CCLC motif in the active center (Figure 3.11) which is slightly different from the CCMC/S motif found in most ROXYs. We introduced single point mutations individually for all the three cysteines and expressed these proteins under the *CaMV 35S* promoter in wild-type plants. In addition, a mutant was constructed in which all three cysteines were replaced by alanine residues. Western blot analysis was performed to identify transgenic lines with similar expression levels (Figure 3.11A). For comparison, extracts from plants with functional ROXY9 (ROXY9, ROXY9(Δ SILY), ROXY9(rALWL)) were loaded. Four independent lines of the ROXY9(SCLC) mutant, where the first cysteine was mutated, expressed similar amounts of the protein as transgenic lines expression ROXY9. Comparison of these plants after transfer to low light revealed that the ROXY9(SCLC) mutant protein did not repress hyponastic growth indicating that the first cysteine is important for its function (Figure 3.11B). The same effect was observed for four independent *35S:HA-ROXY9(CSLC)* lines, although protein levels were as high as in those plants that encode the repressive ROXY(Δ SILY) and ROXY(rALWL) mutants. This result underpins the importance of the conserved second cysteine. In contrast, ROXY9(CSLS), in which the third cysteine was mutated, was functional. As expected, ROXY9(AALA) is not functional.

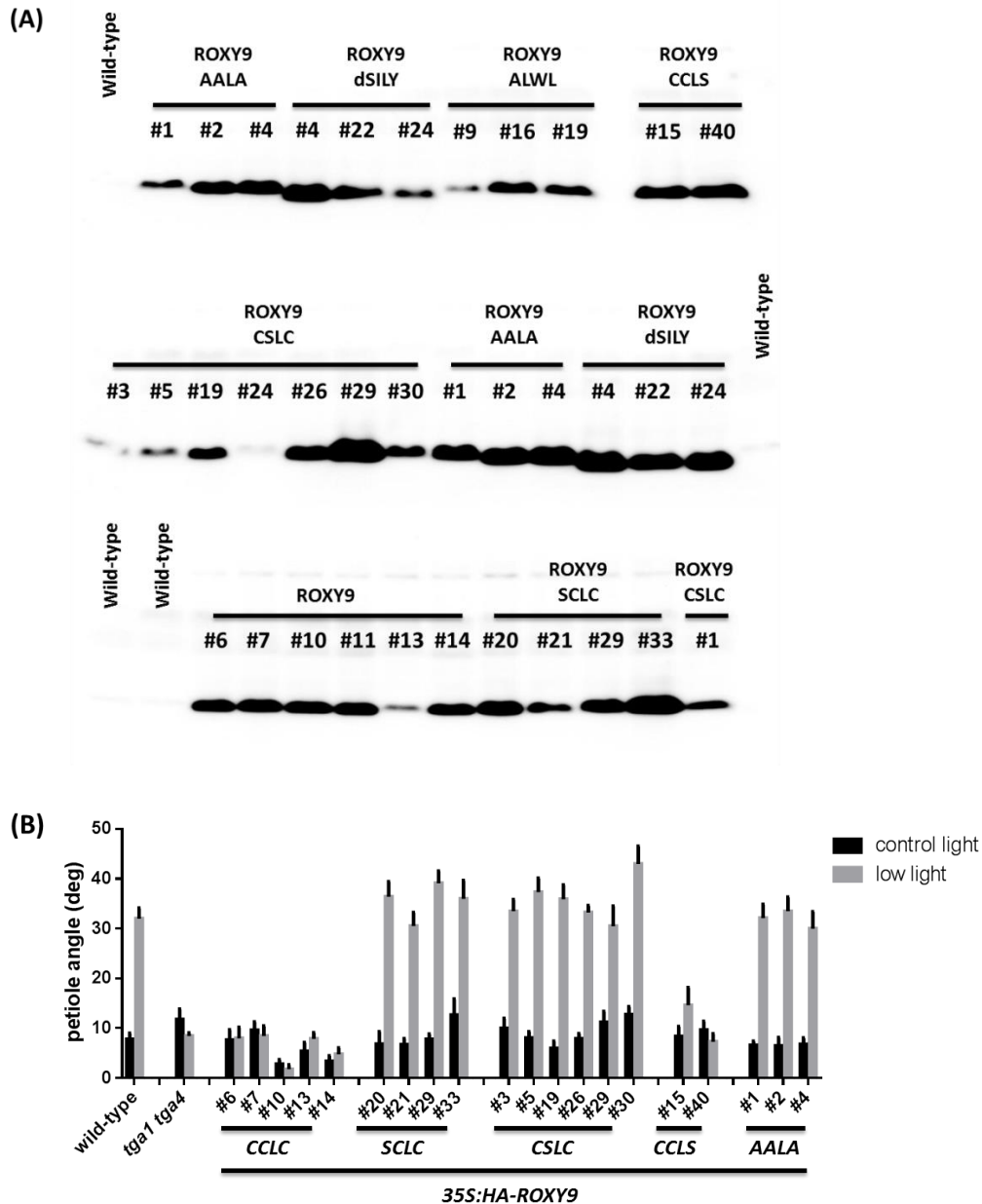


Figure 3.11 The sequence of CCLC motif in the active center of ROXY9 is important for its repressive effect on hyponastic growth.

(A) Western blot analysis of transgenic lines expressing HA-tagged ROXY9 and the indicated mutant versions of ROXY9 under the control of the *CaMV35S* promoter.

(B) Effect of low light treatment (reduction in light intensity from 100-120 to 15-20 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$) on the hyponastic growth of wild-type, *tga1 tga4*, and independent transgenic lines expressing either ROXY9 or ROXY9 mutants within the active site under the control of the *CaMV 35S* promoter. All proteins were fused to an HA-tag. See Figure legend 3.2 for details of plant growth and leaf angle measurements. Bars represent the average \pm SEM 9 plants of each transgenic line.

3.11 The *roxy9* CRISPR-Cas9 mutant is not impaired in hyponastic growth

Due to lack of T-DNA insertion lines, *roxy9* CRISPR-Cas9 mutants were generated by Florian Jung (Master thesis). Seven individual lines containing nucleotide deletions C-terminal to the CCLC active center resulting in frame shift mutations were identified and confirmed by sequence analysis. However, hyponastic growth and reversal of hyponastic growth was not different in these mutants as compared to wild-type.

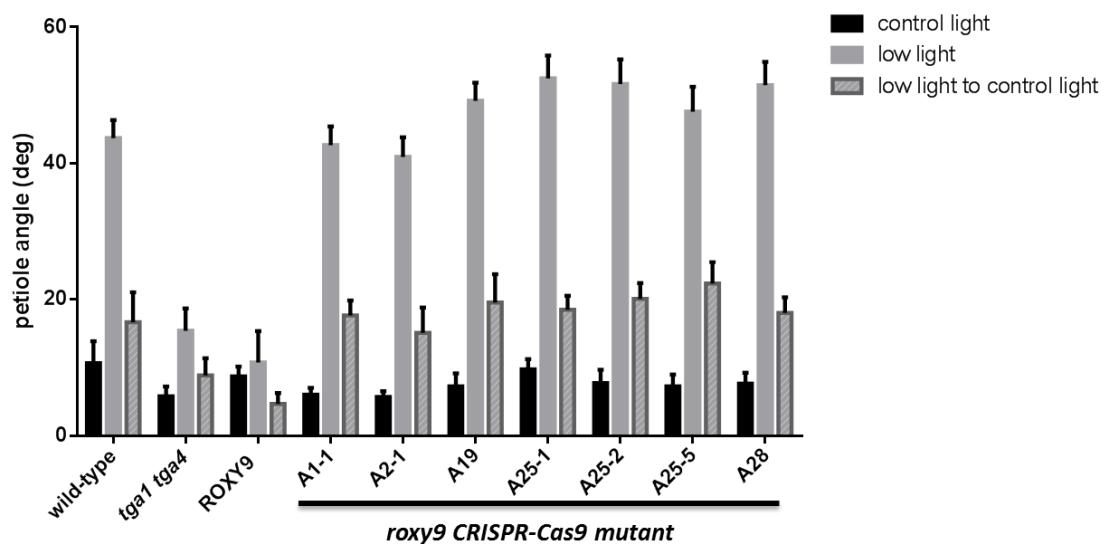


Figure 3.12 The *roxy9* CRISPR-Cas9 mutant is not impaired in hyponastic growth.

Effect of low light treatment (reduction in light intensity from 100-120 to 15-20 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$) and subsequent transfer to control light) on the hyponastic growth of wild-type, *tga1 tga4*, *35S:HA-ROXY9* and *roxy9* CRISPR-Cas9 mutants. See Figure legend 3.2 and Figure 3.6A for details of plant growth, leaf angle measurements and light regime. Bars represent the average \pm SEM of 5 to 6 plants of each genotype.

3.12 The expression of over 150 low-light-induced genes correlates with hyponastic growth in wild-type, *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants

To identify potential target genes of TGA1 and TGA4, transcriptome analysis was performed with RNA from petioles of wild-type *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants. Four-week-old plants were treated with low light (reduction in light intensity from 100-120 to 15-20 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$) for six hours and total RNA was isolated from petioles of 15 plants of each genotype and treatment. The experiment was repeated four times with batches of independently grown plants. Samples were used for ATH1 Affymetrix 1.0 ST gene chip analysis.

In order to get a first impression of the global structure of the dataset, we performed a principal component analysis (PCA) which typically results in clusters of samples with a similar expression pattern (Figure 3.13). The samples from wild-type and *tga1 tga4* plants grown under control light and under low light showed a clear separation indicating that the transcriptomes of both genotypes are different and that they both respond to the low light treatment. In contrast, the clusters representing the *tga1 tga4* mutant and the *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants grown under low light overlapped. These results provide evidence that ROXY9 and TGA1 and TGA4 regulate a similar set of genes.

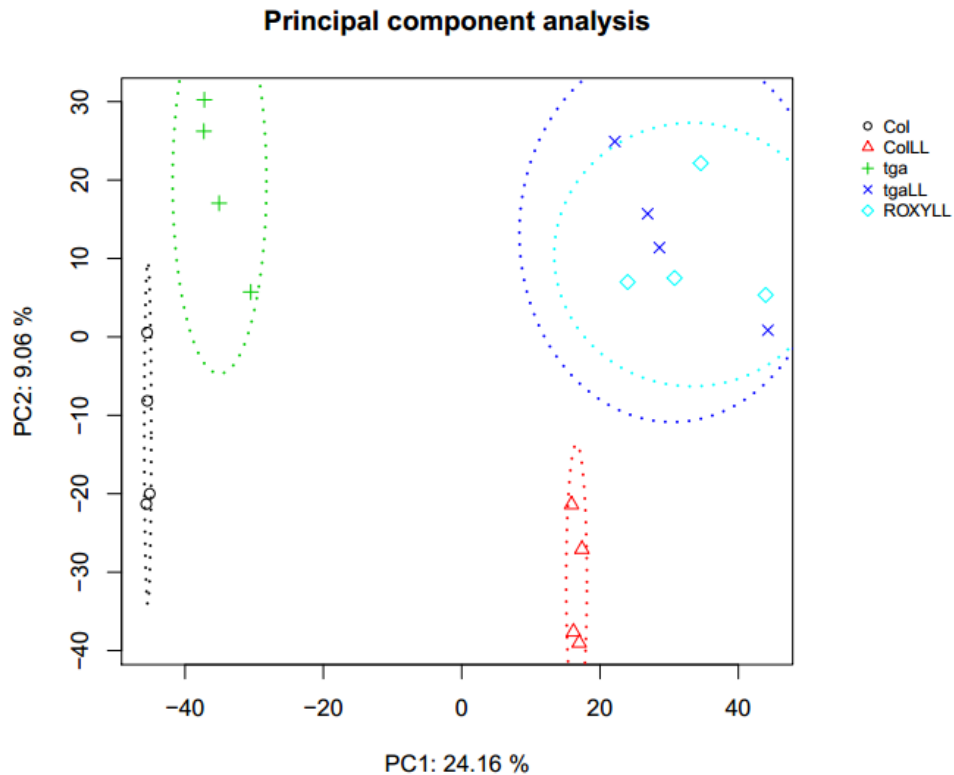


Figure 3.13 TGA1/TGA4 and ROXY9 regulate an overlapping set of genes.

Principal component analysis of the normalized transcriptome data obtained from hybridization of ATH1 Affymetrix 1.0 ST microarrays. Symbols: O, Δ, +, X and ◊, represent four biological replicates of Col-0 grown at 100-120 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$, Col-0 grown for 6 h at 15-20 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ (LL), *tga1 tga4* grown at 100-120 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$, *tga1 tga4* transferred for 6 h to 15-20 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ (LL) and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants transferred for 6 h to 15-20 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ (LL).

To visualize and cluster the relative transcript levels of all those genes that are differentially expressed in wild-type plants depending on the light conditions (fold change (logFC) <-1 or >1, $p < 0.05$) and those that are differentially expressed in at least one the two other genotypes as compared to Col-0 (fold change (logFC) <-0.87 or >0.87, $p < 0.05$), we applied the MarVis software (Kaeffer et al., 2009) (Figure 3.14). This program groups genes with similar relative expression levels into cluster and color-codes the relative expression levels in the five samples. We first focused on cluster 5, which contains 167 genes that are induced by low light in Col-0 but not in *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants.

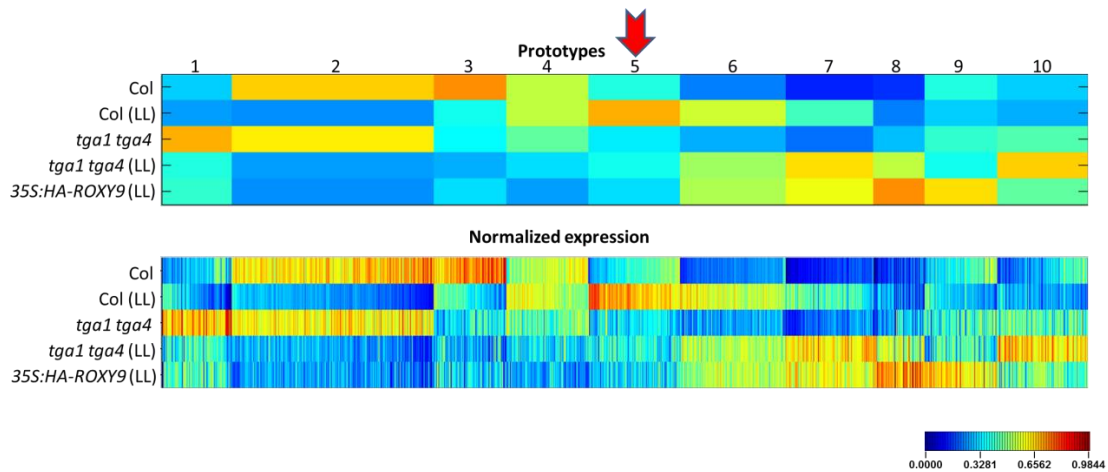


Figure 3.14 MarVis analysis leads to the identification of genes that correlate with hyponastic growth.

Clustering of 1716 genes differentially expressed in at least of the five samples. Genes were clustered into 10 prototypes according to their normalized expression pattern using the MarVis software (upper panel). The width of each prototype column is proportional to the number of genes assigned to this prototype. The lower panel shows the normalized expression profiles of the individual transcripts. The program color codes the relative expression of a given prototype (upper panel) or transcript (lower panel) in the different samples. Red depicts the highest relative expression, blue the lowest (see color scale). Col: Col-0 grown at $100\text{-}120 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$, Col (LL): Col-0 transferred for 6 h to $15\text{-}20 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$; *tga1 tga4*: *tga1 tga4* grown at $100\text{-}120 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$; *tga1 tga4* (LL): *tga1 tga4* transferred for 6 h to $15\text{-}20 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$; *35S:HA-ROXY9* (LL): *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants transferred for 6 h to $15\text{-}20 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ for 6 h.

Gene Ontology (GO) over-representation analysis supported the notion that these genes are involved in hyponastic growth. Genes grouped into the GO terms “cell growth” were enriched. Consistent with the notion that auxin stimulates cell expansion, genes belonging to the GO term “response to auxin” were enriched as well.

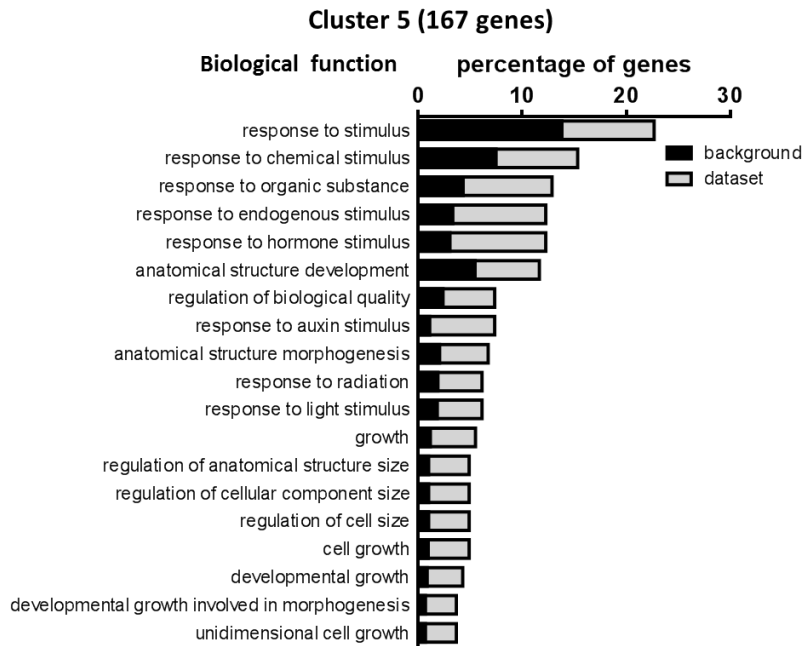


Figure 3.15 GO term analysis of genes whose expression correlates with the phenotype of wild-type, *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants.

167 genes which show low-light induced expression in wild-type but not in *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants (cluster 5) were subjected to Gene Ontology (GO) overrepresentation analysis. Black bars indicate the percentage of genes of each GO term found within the group of all annotated genes of the Arabidopsis genome. Gray bars indicate the percentage of genes of each GO term found within the group of genes that are induced by low light in Col-0 but not in *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants.

Next, we confirmed the expression data obtained from the four independent experiments analysed by microarray analysis. A fifth independent experiment was performed and the RNA was subjected to qRT-PCR analysis using primers detecting the transcripts of *XTH8* (xyloglucanendotransglucosylase/hydrolase 8, proposed to be related with promoting cell expansion) and *IAA19* (indole-3-acetic acid inducible 19, a primary auxin-responsive gene). The expression of both genes was induced nearly 2-fold in wild-type; in contrast, no induction was observed in the *tga1 tga4* background, which is consistent with the microarray results (Figure 3.16A). In addition, we examined whether the expression of TGA1/TGA4-regulated genes would be reduced after transfer of low light-treated plants to control conditions. As shown in Figure 3.16B, induction upon low light treatment was stronger than in the experiment shown in Figure 3.16A, which is due to the longer exposure to low light (10.5 h during the first period and 7.5 hours during the second photoperiod as

opposed to 6 h). Under these conditions, *XTH8* and *IAA19* were also induced in the *tga1 tga4* mutant, although less efficiently than in wild-type plants. In both genotypes, gene expression was reverted to background levels after the transfer of plants to control light conditions. A similar pattern was observed for *XTH33*, expansin *EXPA11*, and the indole-3-acidic acid-amido synthetase *GH3.6*.

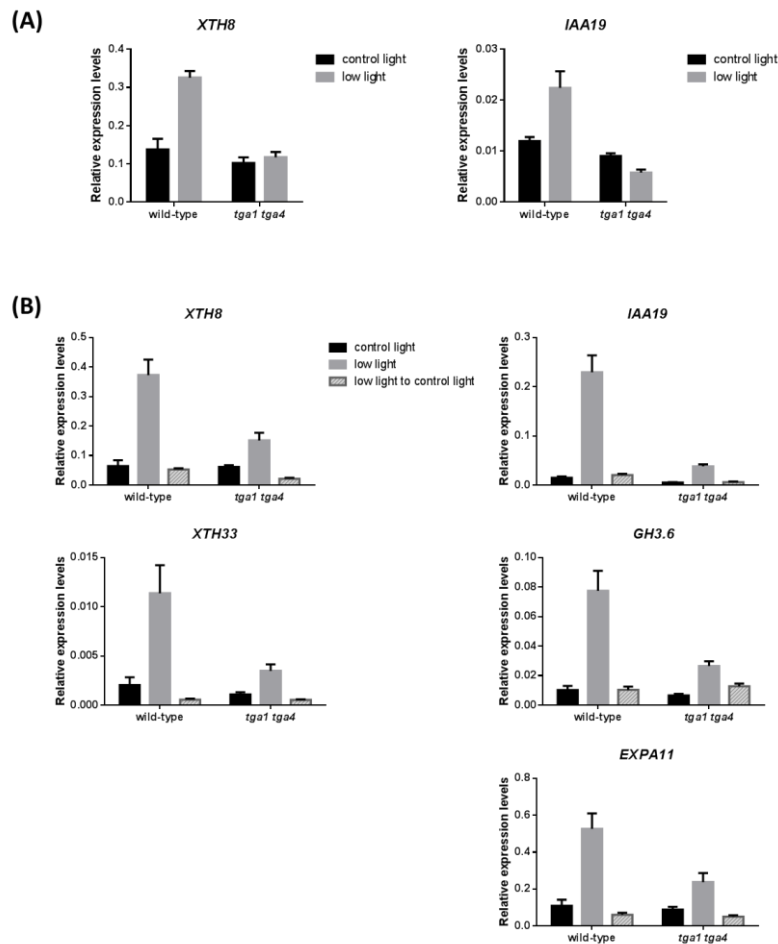


Figure 3.16 The expression of genes related to cell growth and response to auxin correlates with hyponastic growth.

(A) qRT-PCR analysis of *XTH8* and *IAA19* expression in wild-type and *tga1 tga4* after low light treatment. Four-week-old soil-grown wild-type and *tga1 tga4* were treated with low light for 6 hours (reduction in light intensity from 100-120 to 15-20 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$). Transcript levels were normalized to the transcript level of *UBQ5*. Bars represent the average \pm SEM of four biological replicates, each with dissected petioles from five independent plants.

(B) qRT-PCR analysis of light-induced genes in wild-type and *tga1 tga4* after transfer of plants from low light to control light conditions (see Figure 3.6A for the light regime). Transcript levels were normalized to the transcript level of *UBQ5*. Bars represent the average \pm SEM of five biological replicates, each with dissected petioles from five independent plants.

3.13 Petioles of *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants are shorter than wild-type petioles

Since petioles show hyponastic growth in the dark, we assume that genes found in cluster 5 are induced during the dark period at the abaxial side of the petioles, whereas a different set of genes is induced under control light conditions on the adaxial side. This alternating growth habit would contribute to petiole length under a normal dark/light photoperiod. Since genes for hyponastic growth are less expressed in *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants we expected that their petioles should be shorter. Indeed, petiole length was reduced by 25% in the *tga1 tga4* mutant and by 50% in independent *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants (Figure 3.17).

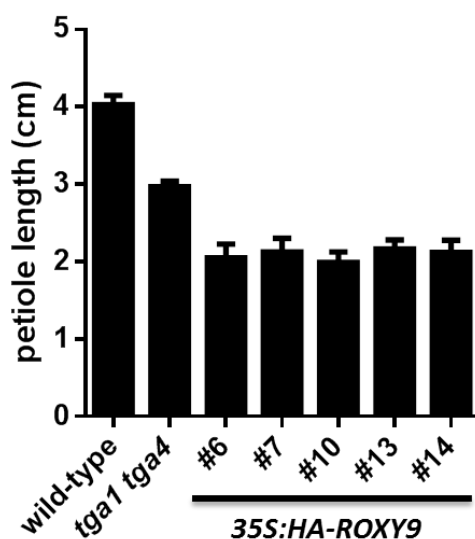


Figure 3.17 Petioles of *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants are shorter than wild-type petioles. Plants of the indicated genotypes were grown for four weeks under a 12/12 light/dark rhythm and the length of the petioles was measured using Image J analysis of photographs. Bars represent the average \pm SEM of five biological replicates, each with a petiole of leaf number 7 to 8.

3.14 Genes with putative oxidoreductase activities are more highly expressed in *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants than in wild-type

Next, we focused on those genes that are differentially expressed in wild-type, *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants under low light, without taking into consideration whether they are regulated by light or not. Again, the relative transcript levels of all those genes that are differentially expressed in Col-0 plants depending on the light conditions (fold change (logFC) <-1 or >1, p<0.05) and those that are differentially expressed in at least one the two other genotypes as compared to Col-0 (fold change (logFC) <-0.87 or >0.87, p<0.05) were analysed with the MarVis software; but this time, only the expression data of the three low-light treated genotypes were considered (Figure 3.18).

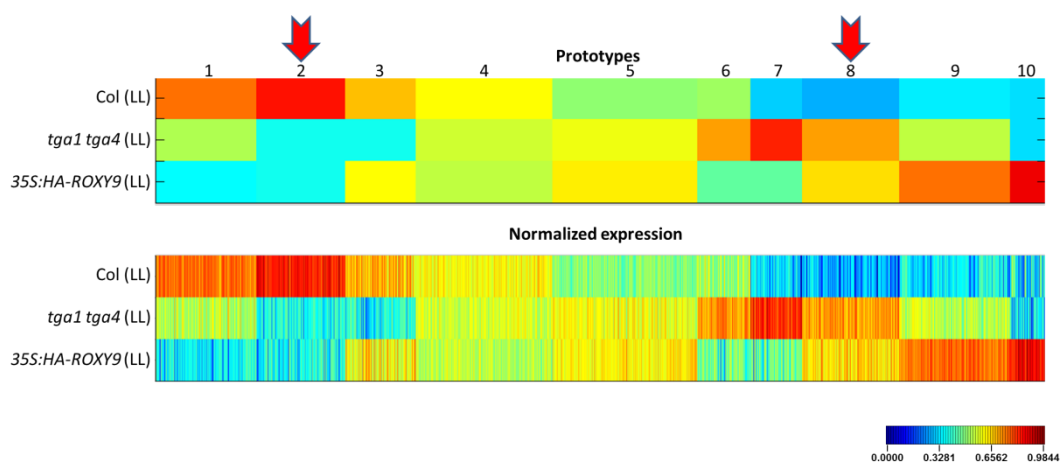


Figure 3.18 MarVis analysis leads to the identification of genes that correlate with hyponastic growth.

Clustering of 1716 genes differentially expressed in at least of the five samples analysed in Figure 3.18. Genes were clustered into 10 prototypes according to their normalized expression pattern using the MarVis software (upper panel). The width of each prototype column is proportional to the number of genes assigned to this prototype. The lower panel shows the normalized expression profiles of the individual transcripts. The program color codes the relative expression of a given prototype (upper panel) or transcript (lower panel) in the different samples. Red depicts the highest relative expression, blue the lowest (see color scale). The indicated genotypes were first grown at $100\text{-}120 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ and subsequently transferred for 6 h to $15\text{-}20 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$.

Cluster 2 contains genes that are less expressed in *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants and partially overlaps with cluster 5 discussed above (Figure 3.19B). GO term

analysis (Figure 3.19A) revealed an over-representation of genes belonging to the GO term “response to auxin”.

Genes, which might represent repressors of hyponastic growth are represented in cluster 8, which partially overlaps with cluster 8 in the analysis shown in Figure 3.19B. Apparently, these genes are only slightly affected by light. Importantly, GO-term analysis revealed a strong enrichment of genes with oxidoreductase activities within the domain “molecular function” and of genes related to “response to jasmonic acid stimulus” and “cell redox homeostasis”.

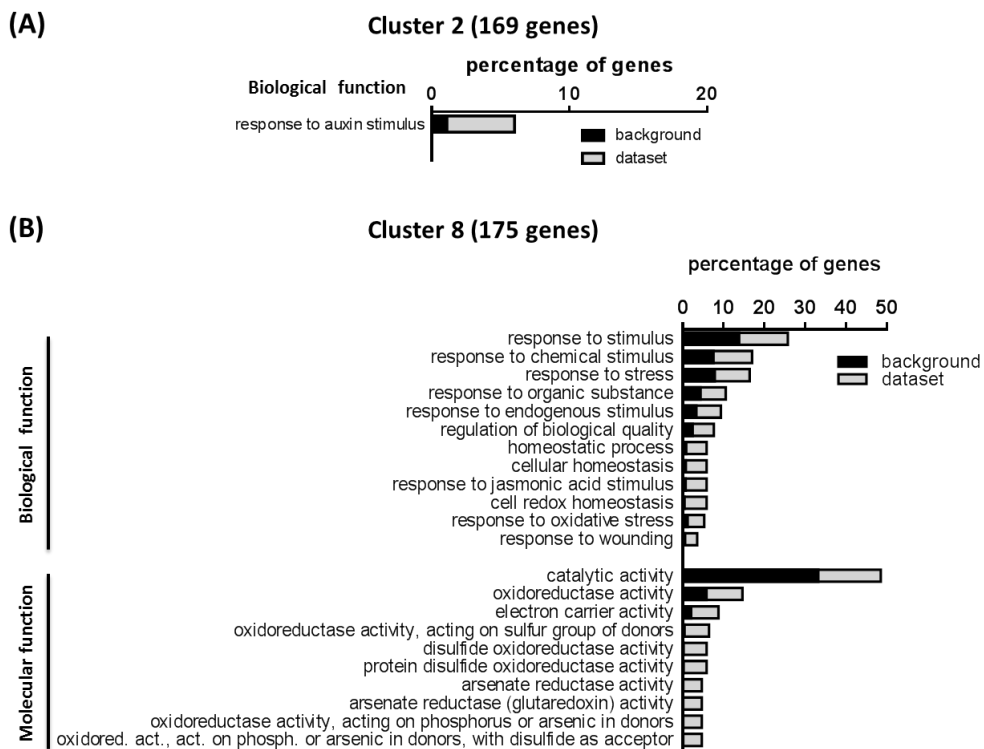


Figure 3.19 GO term analysis of genes whose expression correlates with the phenotype of wild-type, *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants.

(A) 169 genes which show higher expression in low light-treated wild-type than in low light-treated *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants were subjected to Gene Ontology (GO) overrepresentation analysis.

(B) 175 genes which show lower expression in low light-treated wild-type than in low light-treated *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants were subjected to Gene Ontology (GO) overrepresentation analysis.

Black bars indicate the percentage of genes of each GO term found within the group of all annotated genes of the Arabidopsis genome. Gray bars indicate the percentage of genes of each GO term found within the group of differentially regulated as indicated in (A) and (B).

Closer inspection of the list of genes that are higher expressed in *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants than in wild-type plants revealed that ROXY11 to ROXY15 represent the most-highly up-regulated genes (32-fold for ROXY13 to 6.4-fold for ROXY15 in *tga1 tga4*). These 5 genes are part of a gene cluster that seems to be co-regulated. In addition, *ROXY3*, *ROXY4*, *ROXY18*, *ROXY10* and *ROXY17* are constitutively higher expressed in in *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants than in wild-type plants. qRT-PCR analysis of RNA from independently grown *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants confirmed and extended this result (Figure 3.20).

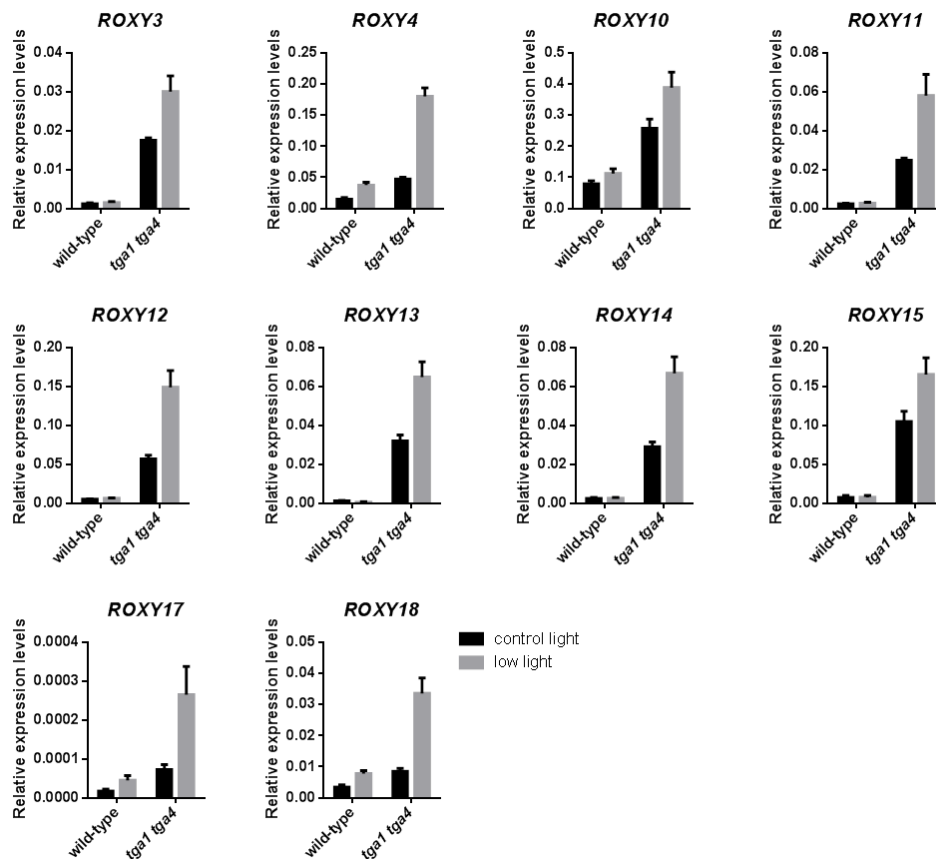


Figure 3.20 Expression of CC-type glutaredoxins in wild-type and *tga1 tga4*.

qRT-PCR analysis of CC-type glutaredoxins in wild-type and *tga1 tga4* after low light treatment. Four-week-old soil-grown wild-type and *tga1 tga4* were treated with low light for 6 hours (reduction in light intensity from 100-120 to 15-20 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$). Transcript levels were normalized to the transcript level of UBI5. Bars represent the average \pm SEM of four biological replicates, each with dissected petioles from five independent plants.

Transcription factor *SHYG* (SPEEDY HYPONASTIC GROWTH; ANAC047) is also highly expressed in *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants (Figure 3.21A). This result was unexpected, since overexpression of *SHYG* enhances the hyponastic response in response to waterlogging, whereas hyponastic petiole growth is clearly impaired in two *shyg* T-DNA insertion mutants *shyg-1* and *shyg-2* (Rauf et al., 2013). Although elevated expression of *SHYG* in the *tga1 tga4* mutant was not sufficient to promote hyponastic growth, we tested, whether *SHYG* plays a role in low light-induced hyponastic growth. However, the response was unaffected as indicated by the wild-type-like petiole angles in *35S:SHYG* and in *shyg-1* and *shyg-2* mutant plants (Figure 3.21B). It is concluded that *SHYG* cannot influence hyponastic growth under our experimental conditions.

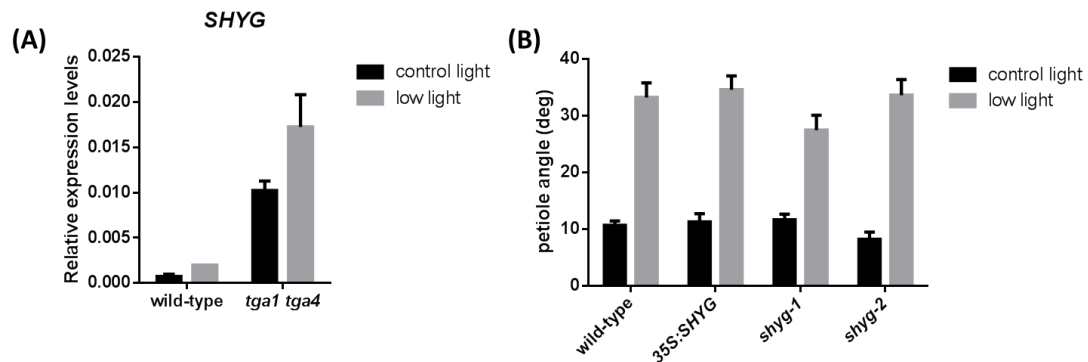


Figure 3.21 *SHYG* are not important for the regulation of hyponastic growth.

(A) qRT-PCR analysis of *SHYG* expression in wild-type and *tga1 tga4* after low light treatment. Four-week-old soil-grown wild-type and *tga1 tga4* were treated with low light for 6 hours (reduction in light intensity from 100-120 to 15-20 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$). Transcript levels were normalized to the transcript level of *UBQ5*. Bars represent the average \pm SEM of four biological replicates, each with dissected petioles from five independent plants.

(B) Effect of low light treatment (reduction in light intensity from 100-120 to 15-20 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$) on the hyponastic growth of wild-type and *tga1 tga4*. See Figure legend 3.2 for details of plant growth and leaf angle measurements. Bars represent the average \pm SEM 9 plants of each transgenic line.

3.15 Motif mapper analysis suggests that TGA1 and TGA4 are negative regulators of gene expression

To identify transcription factor binding motifs in the promoters of the different gene clusters as defined in Figure 3.14 and 3.18, we scanned 1-kb sequences upstream of the predicted transcriptional start sites using the Motif Mapper *cis* element analysis tool (Berendzen et al., 2012) (Table 3.1). The program compares the average number of specific binding sites in a given group of genes that was randomly chosen (1000 times) from the whole genome and compares this number with the actual number of binding sites within a specific group of genes. The binding site of TGA transcription factors (TGACGT) was 1.6-fold more frequent in the group of 175 genes that are higher expressed in *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants than in 167 randomly chosen genes from the genome. The motif TGACGTGG was even more enriched (2.1 fold). If these genes would be the direct target genes of TGA1 and TGA4, TGA1 and TGA4 would be repressors of gene expression. Target genes would repress genes involved in hyponastic growth. Promoters that control the group of 167 genes that positively correlates with hyponastic growth (cluster 5 in Figure 3.16) contain a light regulatory motif, which is plausible because these genes are induced by low light. In addition, the CACATG motif, which is recognized by bHLH transcription factor MYC2 and potentially other bHLH transcription factors as well, is enriched by a factor of 1.64. Moreover, a RY motif, which is recognized by B3 transcription factors is enriched by a factor of 1.76. These motifs might be recognized by the repressive transcription factors that are up-regulated in *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants.

Table 3.1 Promoter elements enriched in co-regulated genes

Cluster 5 (167 genes)

| Motifs | 167 genes in cluster5 | | Average selection | |
|--|-----------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| | Total Motifs | Total Motifs | p-value | Ratio:total motifs |
| CACATG/CATGTG | 135 | 82.585 | 0 | 1.635 |
| CATGCATG (RY motif) | 10 | 5.68 | 0.0401 | 1.761 |
| CATGCA/TGCATG (RY motif, B3) | 95 | 76.713 | 0.0336 | 1.238 |
| ACGTGGC/GCCACGT (ABRE) | 0 | 2.748 | -0.0475 | 0.000 |
| TGTATATAT/ATATATACA (light regulatory motif) | 30 | 18.533 | 0.004 | 1.619 |

Cluster 2 (169 genes)

| Motifs | 169 genes in cluster2 | | Average selection | |
|--|-----------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| | Total Motifs | Total Motifs | p-value | Ratio:total motifs |
| CACATG/CATGTG | 138 | 83.95 | 0 | 1.644 |
| CACGTA/TACGTG (G-Box, bZIP) | 51 | 38.656 | 0.0329 | 1.319 |
| CATGCA/TGCATG (RY motif, B3) | 105 | 77.681 | 0.004 | 1.352 |
| TGTATATAT/ATATATACA (light regulatory motif) | 36 | 18.703 | 0.0001 | 1.925 |

Cluster 8 (175 genes)

| Motif | 175 genes in cluster8 | | Average selection | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| | Total Motifs | Total Motifs | p-value | Ratio:total motifs |
| TGACGT/ACGTCA | 76 | 47.345 | 0.0001 | 1.605 |
| TGACG/CGTCA | 203 | 151.601 | 0 | 1.339 |
| TGACGTGG/CCACGTCA | 12 | 5.591 | 0.0078 | 2.146 |
| CACGTG | 54 | 32.281 | 0.0003 | 1.673 |
| CACATG/CATGTG | 111 | 87.031 | 0.0113 | 1.275 |
| CACGTA/TACGTG (G-Box, bZIP) | 66 | 40.202 | 0.0001 | 1.642 |
| CATGCATG (RY motif) | 19 | 5.887 | 0 | 3.227 |
| CATGCA/TGCATG (RY motif, B3) | 127 | 80.136 | 0 | 1.585 |
| CATGCAT/ATGCATG (RY motif) | 69 | 34.147 | 0 | 2.021 |
| CATGCA/RTGCATG (RY motif) | 82 | 45.479 | 0 | 1.803 |
| TAACGTA/TACGTTA (GA response) | 25 | 16.361 | 0.0222 | 1.528 |
| TTACGT/ACGTAA (NAC) | 97 | 69.111 | 0.0022 | 1.404 |
| TTACGTG/CACGTAA (NAC) | 23 | 13.692 | 0.0082 | 1.680 |
| ACGTGGC/GCCACGT (ABRE) | 25 | 14.816 | 0.0062 | 1.687 |
| YACGTGGC/GCCACGTR (ABRE) | 17 | 9.028 | 0.006 | 1.883 |
| NGATAAGNMNN/NNKNCTTATCN (GATA) | 91 | 46.509 | 0 | 1.957 |

The table depicts promoter elements enriched in the clusters resulting from MarVis analysis in Figure 3.15 (cluster 5, induced by low light in wild-type but not in *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9*) and Figure 3.19 (clusters 2 (higher expressed in low light-treated wild-type than in low light-treated *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9*) and 8 (higher expressed in low light-treated *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* than in low light-treated wild-type)). Numbers represent the total amount of motifs within the set of promoters of one cluster and within randomly chosen sets of promoters from the whole genome. The occurrence of enriched motifs was determined in the 1-kb sequences upstream of the 5' -untranslated regions using Motif Mapper (Berendzen et al., 2012).

4 Discussion

The bZIP protein TGA1a from tobacco was the first plant transcription factor to be identified by exploiting its binding activity to the *activation sequence-1* of the *Cauliflower Mosaic Virus 35S* promoter (Katagiri et al. 1989; Lam et al. 1989). Later, it was discovered that its orthologues TGA1 and TGA4 are important for defense responses against biotrophic pathogens in *Arabidopsis thaliana* (Kersawani et al., 2007, Shearer et al., 2012). Two redox-active cysteines in the coding regions of TGA1 and TGA4 might be important to control the activity of the protein by the plant defense hormone salicylic acid (SA) (Despres et al., 2003). Moreover, TGA1 and TGA4 interact with ROXY-type glutaredoxins, which might catalyze the redox modification (Dr. Martin Muthreich PhD thesis). Here, we report that TGA1 and TGA4 are not only involved in defense responses, but also in the growth response hyponasty. Moreover, we suggest that TGA1 and TGA4 activity is regulated by ROXY9 and the potentially redundant ROXYs ROXY8 and ROXY21.

4.1 TGA1 and TGA4 are connected to various signaling cascades that induce hyponastic growth

TGA1 and TGA4 are required for hyponastic growth, irrespective of whether the response is triggered by ethylene (ET), low light or heat (Figure 3.1). Under our conditions, ET is involved in low light-induced hyponastic growth, as revealed by the compromised response of the *ein2* mutant (Figure 3.2). However, the *ein2* mutants is not as stringently affected as the *tga1 tga4* mutant suggesting that other signals than ET require TGA1 and TGA4 to elicit the response. This is supported by the finding that heat-induced hyponastic growth, which is even inhibited by ET, is also diminished in the *tga1 tga4* mutant (Figure 3.1). Thus, TGA1 and TGA4 seem to be essential components of hyponastic growth that operate at a potential point of convergence of various signaling cascades.

At least three different ways on the principal function of TGA1 and TGA4 in the

regulation of hyponastic growth can be envisioned. First, TGA1 and TGA4 might be unregulated amplifiers of the response. For instance, they might be expressed only at the abaxial side, where they would assist to promote induced cell expansion which would explain the asymmetry of the response.

Second, TGA1 and TGA4 might be unregulated amplifiers in terms of eliciting the hyponastic growth as outlined above, but might additionally serve as points of integration of negative signals. Such a role is postulated for TGA2/5/6 in activation of ET-mediated defense responses (Zander et al., 2014). Here, ET-mediated stabilization of ETHYLENE INSENSITIVE 3 (EIN3) is the ET-controlled process, whereas TGA2/5/6 amplify the activating effect of EIN3 to drive expression of the master regulator of the response, ORA59. The positive contribution of TGA2/5/6 on the activity of the *ORA59* promoter is counteracted by SA, possibly through ROXY19 and other redundant ROXYs. We found that the negative effect of SA on hyponastic growth is mediated by TGA2/5/6 and NPR1 (Figure 3.5). Consistent with the notion that ROXY19 interferes with the activity of TGA2/5/6, petioles of SA-treated *35S:ROXY19* plants can grow upwards under low light conditions (Figure 3.9C). This observation does not exclude that TGA1 and TGA4 are also involved in this response. However, our complementation lines which express TGA1(C260N/C266S) indicate that the redox-active cysteines are not important for the hypothetical contribution of TGA1 in mediating the inhibitory effect of SA (Figure 3.4B).

Third, TGA1 and TGA4 may be regulated at the protein level by a mechanism that is common to the diverse signaling pathways that induce hyponastic growth (Figure 4.1). We identified ROXY8, ROXY9 and ROXY20 as potential negative regulators of TGA1 and TGA4 activity as revealed by the observation that plants ectopically expressing these proteins are compromised in hyponastic growth (Figure 3.9). Moreover, microarray analyses pointed at a common set of genes that is differentially regulated in *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants as compared to wild-type indicating that ROXY9 and TGA1 /4 regulate the same process (Figure 3.13). Especially the expression pattern of *ROXY9* was consistent with the postulated negative role: expression was reduced upon transfer to low light potentially leading to the release

of TGA1/4 activity so that hyponastic growth is promoted (Figure 3.6B; Figure 3.8). Moreover, *ROXY9* was hyper-induced after re-transfer to control light which would lead to the repression of the activity of TGA1/4 allowing reversal of the leaf angle to control conditions (Figure 3.6B; Figure 3.8). However, the *roxy9* mutant was indistinguishable from wild-type plants suggesting that other ROXYs might act in a redundant manner (Figure 3.12). Expression of the potentially redundant *ROXY8* was hyper-induced by re-transfer to control light, and *ROXY20* expression was reduced by low light (Figure 3.8). Expression of all three ROXYs depends on TGA1 and TGA4 which suggests an autoregulatory feed-back loop. A similar loop has been observed before for ROXY19, which represses the activity of TGA2, TGA5 and TGA6 at its own promoter (Ndamukong et al., 2007; Huang et al., 2016). Collectively, these data suggest that environmental cues regulating the activity of TGA1/4-inhibiting ROXYs are molecular components that regulate hyponastic growth in response to a variety of stimuli.

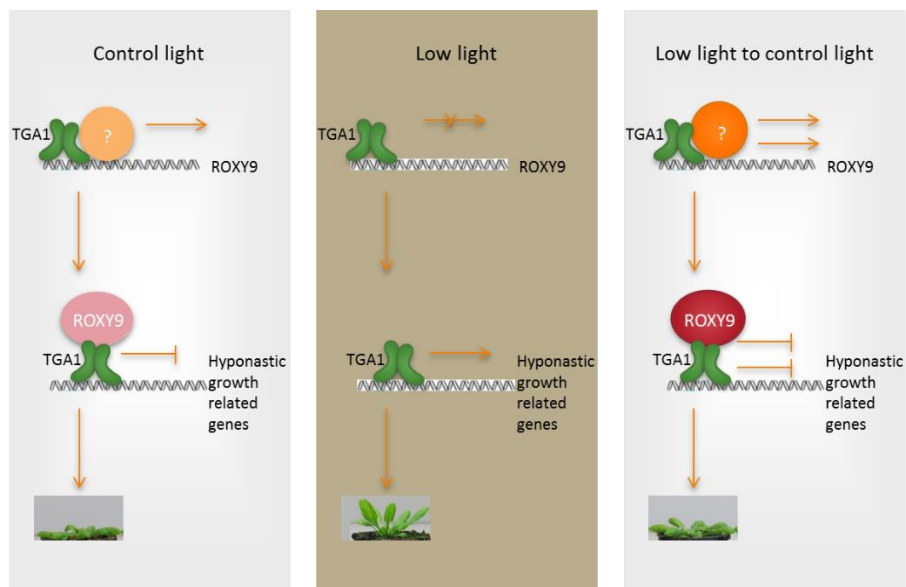


Figure 4.1 Proposed working model.

(A) Under control condition, basal levels of ROXY9 expression are controlled by TGA1/4 and yet unknown transcription factors that can respond to light conditions. ROXY9 interacts with TGA1/4 to reduce the expression of leaf movement-related genes to inhibit hyponastic growth. (B) In response to low light, the expression of ROXY9 is reduced allowing TGA1/4 to stimulate genes involved in cell elongation at the abaxial side of the petiole. (C) When plants are transferred to control light condition after low light pretreatment, ROXY9 expression is strongly re-induced, enabling ROXY9 proteins to accumulate and to repress gene expression by interacting with TGA1/4.

4.2 The CC-motif is important for the repressive activity of ROXY9

Repressive effects of ROXYs on the activity of TGA factors have been described before. Genetic analysis has shown that ROXY1 represses the activity of TGA factor PAN to regulate the initiation of floral primordia (Li et al., 2009). Likewise, ROXY19 represses TGA2/5/6-regulated target promoters (Ndamukong et al., 2007). ROXY1 and ROXY19 contain a C-terminal ALWL motif, which serves to recruit the transcriptional co-repressor TOPLESS to TGA2/5/6-regulated promoters (Uhrig et al., 2017). The ALWL motif is present in 16 of the 21 ROXYs, but not in ROXYs 6, 7, 8, 9 and 21. Interestingly, ROXY19 complements the *roxy1* mutant, but does not repress the hyponastic growth (Li et al., 2009). ROXY9 does not complement the *roxy1* mutant (Li et al., 2009) and does not repress TGA2/5/6-regulated *ORA59* (Zander et al., 2012; Zander et al., 2014). Therefore, the repressive mechanisms of ROXY19 and ROXY9 are most likely different.

The importance of the CCMC motif for ROXY function has been addressed before. As inferred from studies from canonical GRXs, the active site either contributes to oxidoreductase activity or to the binding of [Fe-S] clusters (Fernandes and Holmgren et al., 2004; Bandyopadhyay et al., 2008; Couturier et al., 2011). *In vitro* studies of a poplar CC-type GRX7.2 have revealed poor oxidoreductase activities on artificial substrates and the potential to bind [Fe-S] clusters (Couturier et al., 2010). *In vivo* studies with ROXY1 have led to conflicting data sets. When expressed under the *CaMV 35S* promoter, a mutated ROXY1 encoding a SCMC motif did not complement the *roxy1* phenotype (Xing et al., 2005). In contrast, when expressed under the endogenous *ROXY1* promoter, the protein was functional. Even mutating the active site into SSMS did not abolish its function (Ziemann et al., 2010; PhD thesis under the supervision of Sabine Zachgo). Plants ectopically expressing ROXY19(CPYC), in which the CCMC motif had been exchanged against the CPYC motif found in class I GRXs, showed the same phenotype as the *35S:ROXY19* control plants (Huang et al., 2016). In contrast, a ROXY19(SSMS) was not functional. This indicates that either

oxidoreductase or [Fe-S] cluster binding might be important for ROXY19 function, but the relevance of the second cysteine has remained obscure. In this study, the cysteine residues of the CCLC motif of ROXY9 were individually changed into serines. If the first cysteine was mutated, the protein lost its repressive activity (Figure 3.11). In canonical GRXs, the first cysteine of the CxxC/S active site is important for the nucleophilic attack of an oxidized sulfur of a (glutathionylated) target protein (Fernandes and Holmgren, 2004). Up to now, it is not known whether ROXY9 has oxidoreductase activity. Moreover, it cannot be excluded, that TGA1 and TGA4 are redox-modulated by ROXY9 at C172 or C287. Interestingly, the second cysteine was also important for function (Figure 3.11). Given that the CC motif in the active site is so conserved, the elucidation of the molecular mechanism of ROXY9 function is extremely important.

4.3 Low light-induced expression of genes potentially involved in hyponastic growth are less expressed in *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants

Hyponastic growth is explained by differential expansion rates of cells at the abaxial side of the petiole. Since application of the auxin transport inhibitor TIBA did not strongly interfere with low light-induced hyponastic growth within the first six hours, it has remained unclear what growth-regulating factors create the asymmetry when the response is initiated (Millenaar et al., 2009). Our microarray analysis of RNA of petioles harvested at six after transfer to low light conditions revealed an enrichment of auxin-regulated genes in the cluster of genes that are up-regulated by low light in wild-type but not in the *tga1 tga4* and *35S:ROXY19* mutant plants (cluster 5, Figure 3.14). Since primary auxin-responsive genes were up-regulated (e.g. *IAA2*, *IAA3*, *IAA7*, *IAA19*, *IAA29*; 3 SAUR-like auxin-responsive protein family proteins) and since only two of these contain a TGACGT motif in the -1000 upstream region, it is unlikely that these genes are direct target genes of TGA1 and TGA4. Thus, TGA1 and TGA4 may be involved in earlier processes leading to increased auxin signaling. This

TGA1/TGA4-dependent process could be at any step starting from the perception of the environmental signal to the perception of the auxin in the relevant cells. Alternatively, TGA1/TGA4 might be involved in the differential sensitivity of the adaxial side and the abaxial side to the petiole for environmental cues. Therefore, the cellular expression pattern of TGA1 and TGA4 within the leaf has to be investigated. Furthermore, genes involved in cell wall loosening (e.g. *XYLOGLYGAN:XYLOGLUCOSY TRANSFERASE 33*, *XYLOGLUCAN ENDOTRANSGLUCOSYLASE/HYDROLYSES 8* and *15*, *EXPANSINS 8* and *11*) were enriched in cluster 5 (Figure 3.15). It might well be that these genes are induced by auxin. Upon reversal to control light conditions, expression of at least a selected number of these genes is reduced again (Figure 3.16B). These genes are not induced in the adaxial side upon reversal of hyponastic growth and other genes that are expressed on the upper side have to be activated to allow re-orientation of the petioles.

As stated above, we do not have a clue, which of the genes that are essential for hyponastic growth are directly regulated by TGA1 and TGA4. Motif mapper analysis indicated that TGACGT motifs are enriched in the promoters of genes that are higher expressed in *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants (Table 3.1). This finding points at a potential negative effect of TGA1 and TGA4 on genes that are involved in repressing hyponastic growth. However, the high expression of the positive regulator of hyponastic growth, *SHYG*, in *tga1 tga4* and *35S:ROXY19* plants is counterintuitive (Figure 3.21A). Since waterlogging-induced hyponastic growth was not reproduced in our lab, we could not test the response of the *tga1 tga4* mutant under these conditions.

Conspicuously, ten *ROXY* genes are constitutively up-regulated in the *tga1 tga4* mutant and *35S:ROXY19* plants. This effect is further enhanced by low light and exceeds by far the levels found in wild-type plants (Figure 3.7; Figure 3.20). Up to now, it cannot be excluded that the unusually high expression of these proteins in *tga1 tga4* and *35S:HA-ROXY9* plants influences yet unknown processes that lead to the inhibition of the hyponastic response.

5 Conclusion

Although we do not yet know the direct target genes of TGA1 and TGA4, the phenotype of the *tga1 tga4* mutant indicates that they are required for hyponastic growth. Moreover, we identified TGA1-interacting ROXY9 as a potential inhibitor of TGA1 and TGA4 activity. Based on the expression pattern of *ROXY9* and the potentially redundant ROXYs *ROXY8* and *ROXY20*, the corresponding promoters could be targets of the various environmental signals that initiate and terminate hyponastic growth.

6 Summary

In the rosette plant *Arabidopsis thaliana*, different environmental cues trigger upward (hyponastic) leaf movement which is evolutionary beneficial when it comes to avoid shading by neighboring plants. Hyponasty results from longitudinal cell expansion at the lower side of the leaf petiole. Here, we report that clade I TGA transcription factors TGA1 and TGA4 are required for hyponastic growth irrespective of whether it is induced by low light intensities, ethylene or heat. Expression of genes encoding cell wall-loosening or auxin-induced proteins was diminished in petioles of the *tga1 tga4* double mutant subjected to low light for six hours. Cysteines C260 and C266 of TGA1, which have been reported to be redox-modulated by the defense hormone salicylic acid (SA) *in vivo*, do not play a role for the function of TGA1 in hyponastic growth. Likewise, they are not important for the inhibition of hyponastic growth by SA. We identified several TGA1/4-interacting glutaredoxins (ROXY8, ROXY9, ROXY20) as potential negative regulators of TGA1/4 activity. Ectopic expression of ROXY8 and ROXY9 led to plants that show the same hyponasty-deficient phenotype as the *tga1 tga4* mutant. Expression of *ROXY9* was particularly high when hyponastic plants were transferred back to control light conditions. We therefore favour the hypothesis that the above mentioned ROXYs interfere with TGA1/4 activity in order to mediate the downward orientation of hyponastic leaves after transfer to control conditions. The repressive activity of ROXY9 depends on the integrity of the active site motif CCLC, which might be involved in oxidoreductase activity, binding of iron sulfur complexes or other yet unknown functions.

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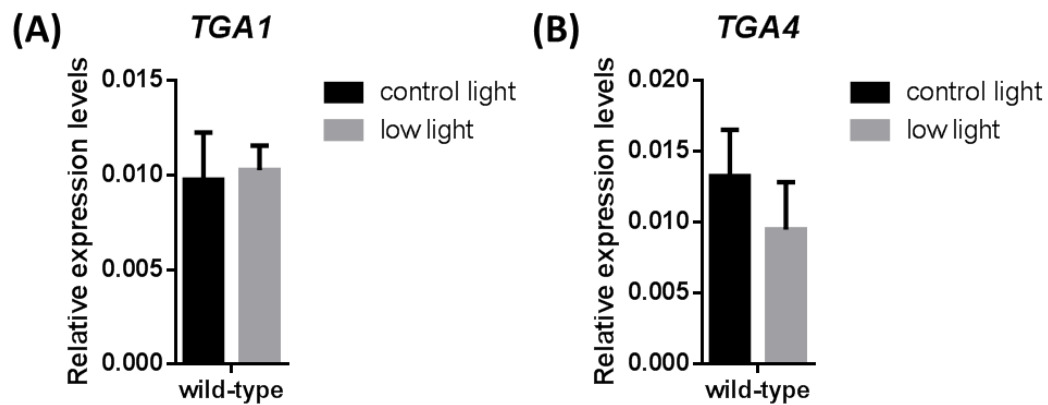
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8 Abbreviations

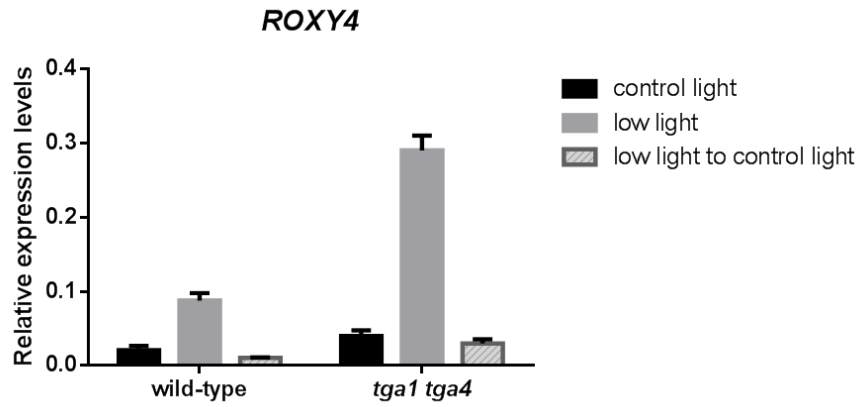
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|-----------------------|---|
| ABA | Abscisic acid |
| ACC | 1-aminocyclopropane-1-carboxylic acid |
| <i>A. thaliana</i> | <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> |
| <i>A. tumefaciens</i> | <i>Agrobacterium tumefaciens</i> |
| ACC | 1-aminocyclopropane-1-carboxylic acid |
| <i>as-1</i> | <i>activation sequence-1</i> |
| bHLH | Basic helix-loop-helix |
| bZIP | Basic domain/leucine zipper |
| CL | Control light |
| Col-0 | Columbia |
| CRISPR | Clustered regularly interspaced short palindromic repeats |
| EDTA | Ethylene di-amine tetra-acetic acid |
| ET | Ethylene |
| EtOH | Ethanol |
| Fe-S | Iron-sulfur |
| FR | Far-red light |
| Gent ^R | Gentamicin |
| GO | Gene ontology |
| GR | Glutathione reductase |
| GRX | Glutaredoxin |
| GSH | Glutathione |
| LL | Low light |
| JA | Jasmonic acid |
| NAC | NAC (NAM, ATAF1/2, CUC2) transcription factor |
| NADPH | Nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide phosphate |
| <i>p</i> | <i>p</i> -value (probability of obtaining a test statistic assuming that the null hypothesis is true) |
| PCA | Principal components analysis |
| PCR | Polymerase chain reaction |
| qRT-PCR | Quantitative real-time PCR |
| R | Red light |
| Rif ^R | Rifampicin |
| ROXY | CC-type glutaredoxin |
| SA | Salicylic acid |
| SD | Short day |
| SDS | Sodium dodecyl sulfate |
| SDS-PAGE | Sodium dodecyl sulfate-polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis |
| TF | Transcription factor |
| TGA | TGACG motif binding protein |
| WT | Wild-type |

9 Supplementary data



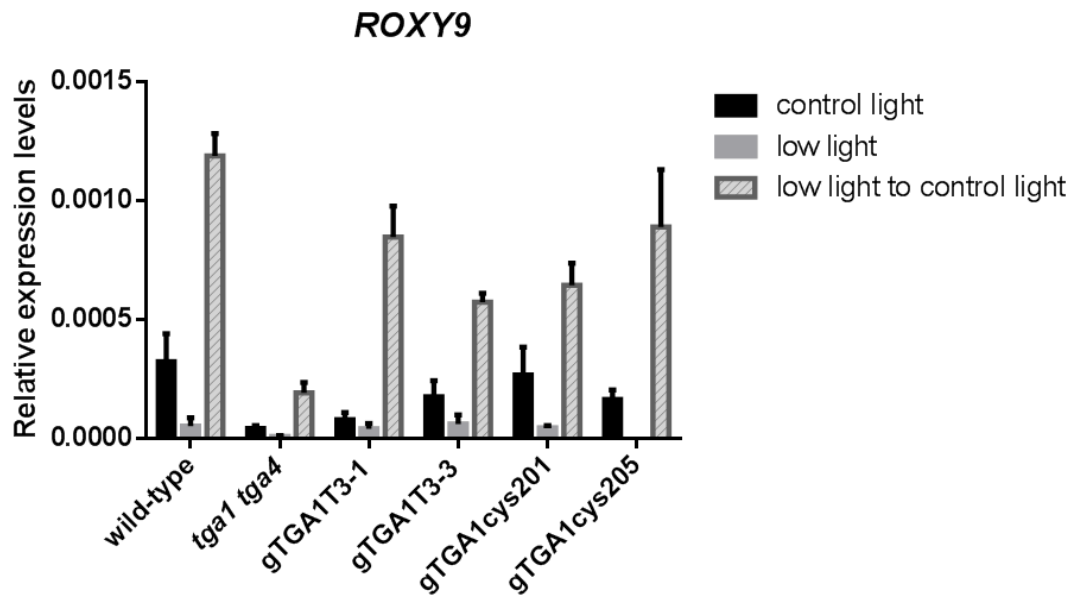
Supplementary Figure S1 Expression profiling of *TGA1* and *TGA4* in wild-type after low light treatment.

(A) and (B) qRT-PCR analysis of *TGA1* and *TGA4* expression in wild-type after low light treatment. Four-week-old soil-grown wild-type were treated with low light for 6 hours (reduction in light intensity from 100-120 to 15-20 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$). Transcript levels were normalized to the transcript level of *UBQ5*. Bars represent the average \pm SEM of four biological replicates, each with dissected petioles from five independent plants.



Supplementary Figure S2 Expression profiling of *ROXY4* in wild-type and *tga1 tga4* in light shifting assay.

qRT-PCR analysis of *ROXY4* expression in light shifting assay. Transcript levels were normalized to the transcript level of *UBQ5* (ubiquitin 5). Error bars represent the average \pm SEM of five biological replicates, each with dissected petioles from five independent plants.



Supplementary Figure S3 Expression profiling of *ROXY9* in genomic *TGA1* complementation lines.

qRT-PCR analysis of *ROXY9* expression in light shifting assay. Plants were subjected to the light regime displayed in Figure 3.6A. Four-week soil-grown wild-type, *tga1 tga4*, gTGA1(*ProTGA1:HA-TGA1* line 1 and line 3), and gTGA1cys(*ProTGA1:HA-TGA1* with mutations in the two conserved cysteines, CNLKQSC to>NNLKQSS, line 1 and line 5) plants were harvested. Transcript levels were normalized to the transcript level of *UBQ5* (ubiquitin 5). Data are mean values of three biological replicates, each with dissected petioles from three independent plants. Error bars=SEM.

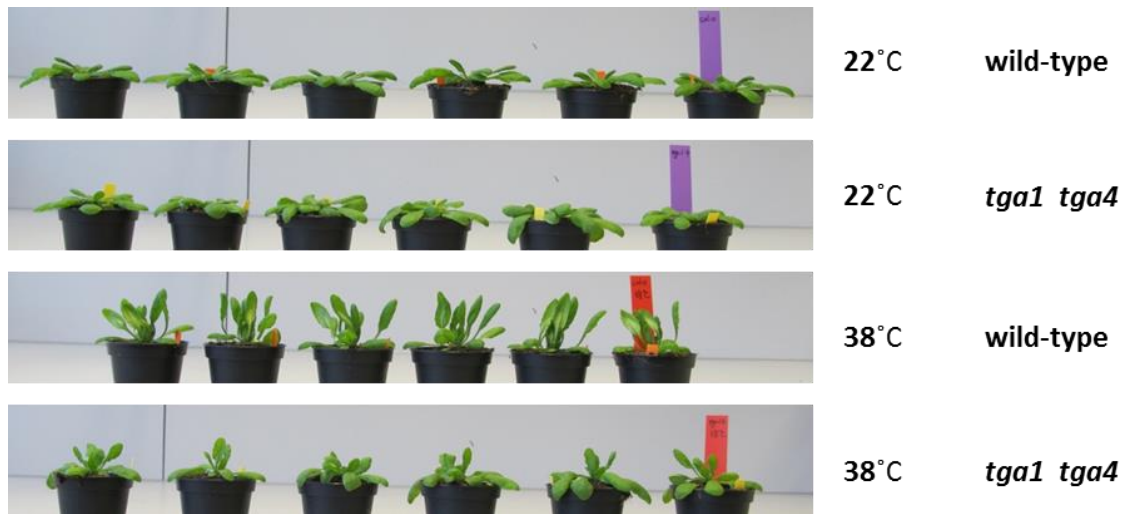
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Supplementary Figure S4 ROXY9 CRISPR-Cas9 mutant lines.

Mutant lines which were selected for light shifting assay were circled with red rectangle. Deleted nucleotides in ROXY9 CRISPR-Cas9 mutants were indicated with short lines in red background. The mutated nucleotide was marked in blue background. DNA sequences aligned by Florian Jung (Master thesis).

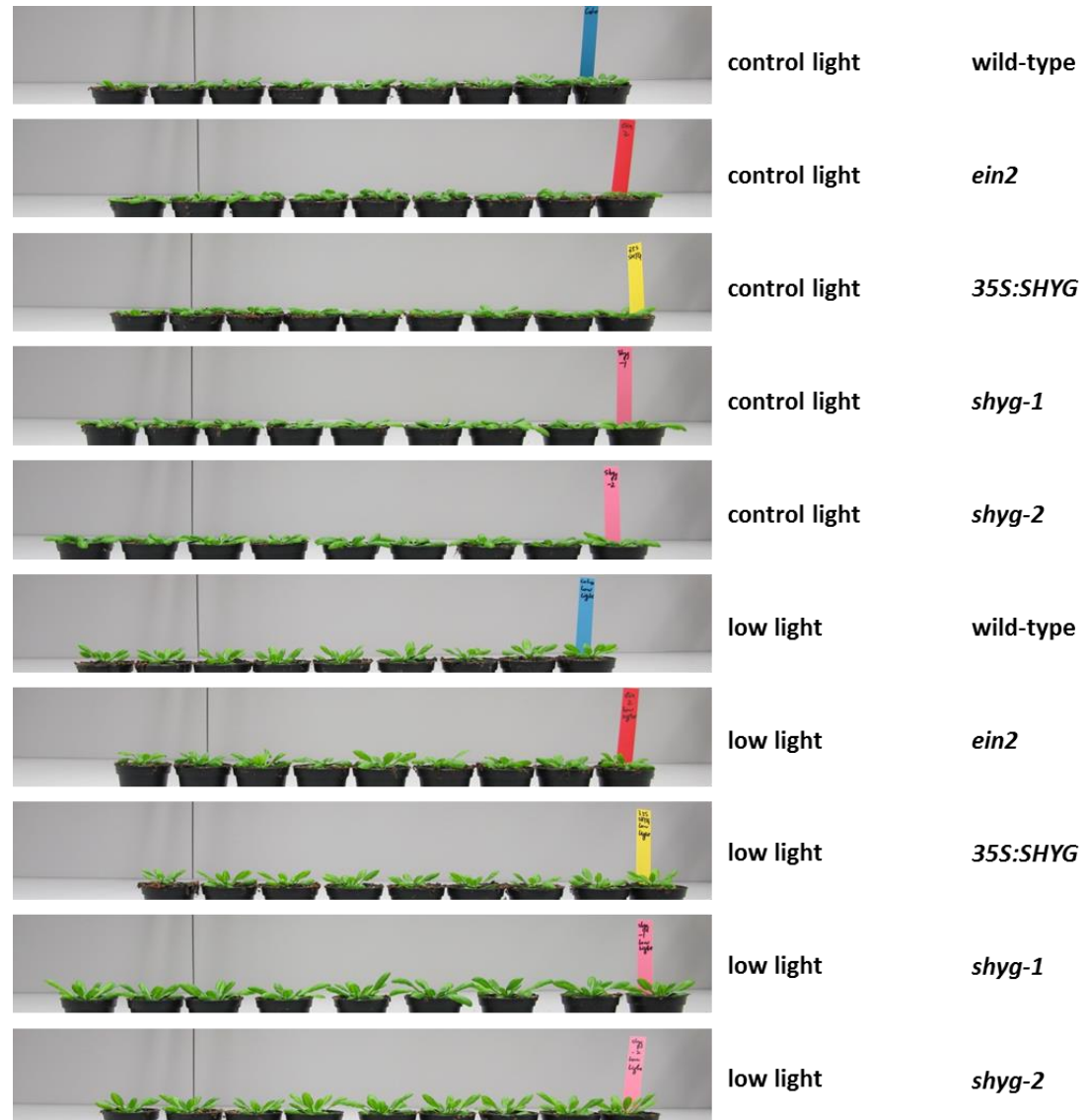
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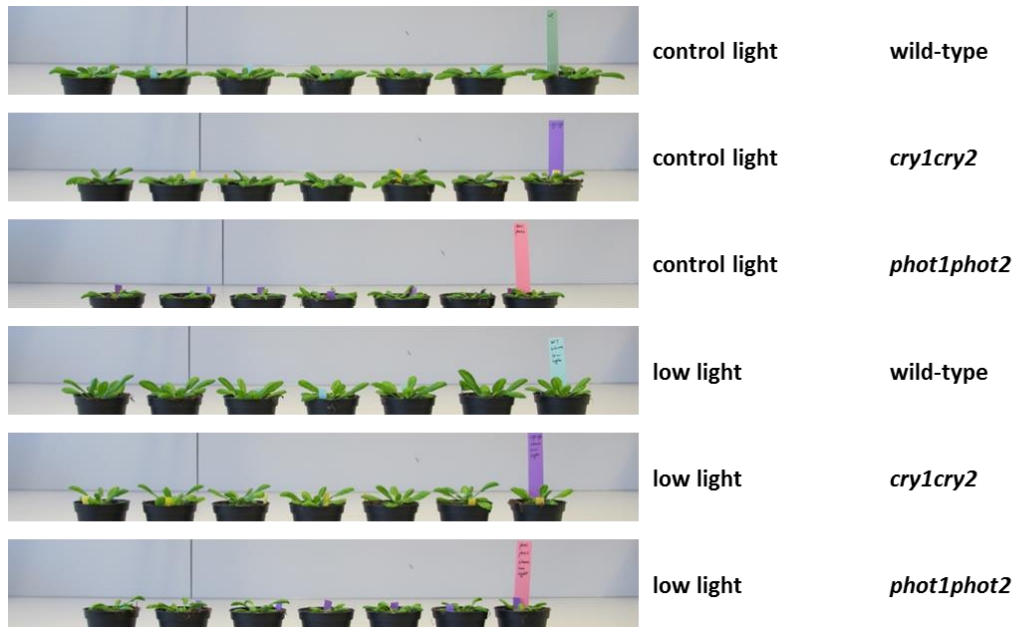
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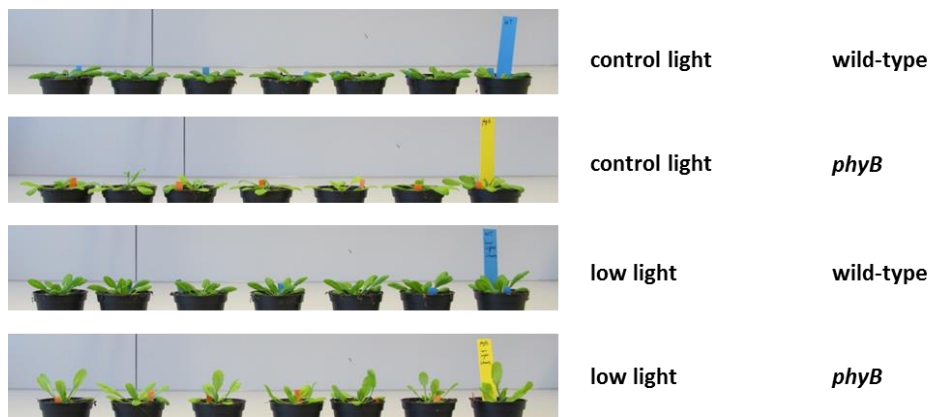


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wild-type, *cry1 cry2*, and *phot1 phot2* in response to 6 hours low light treatment. Images were used for petiole angle measurement in Figure 3.2C, D.

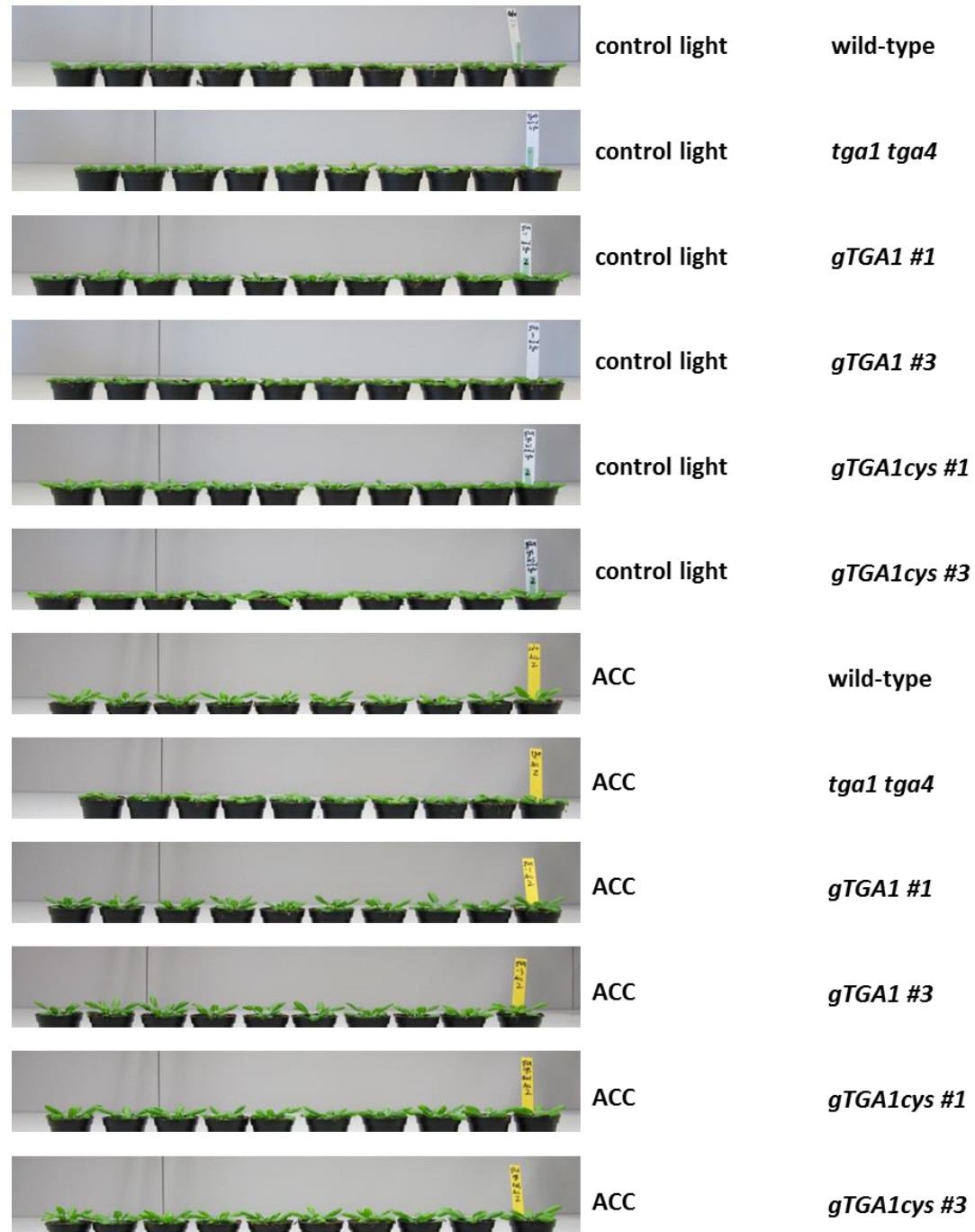


Wild-type, and *phyB* in response to 6 hours low light treatment



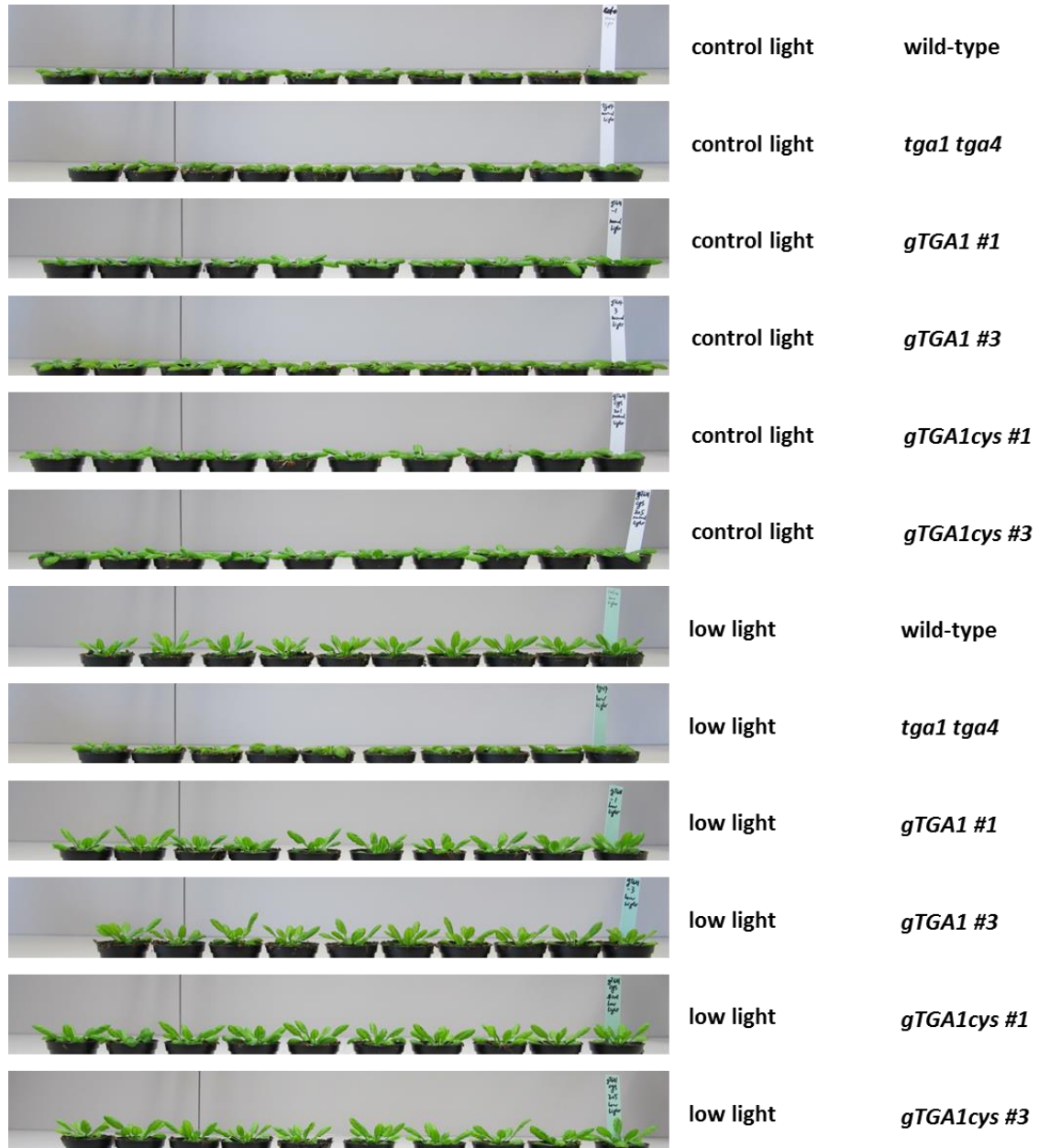
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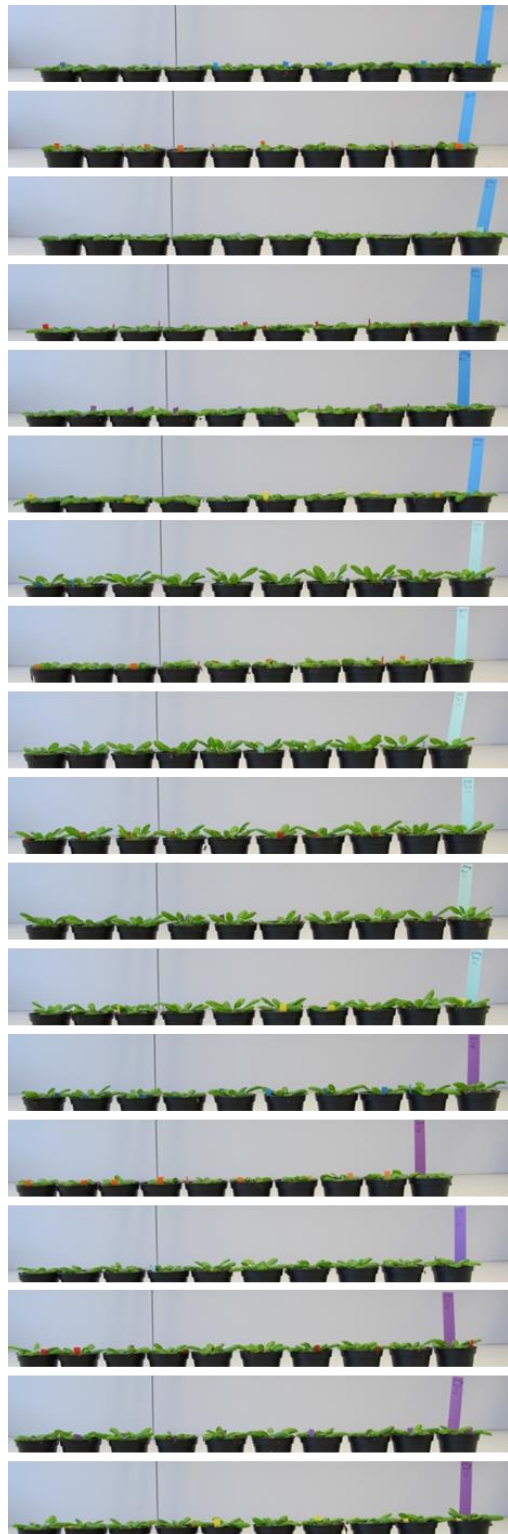
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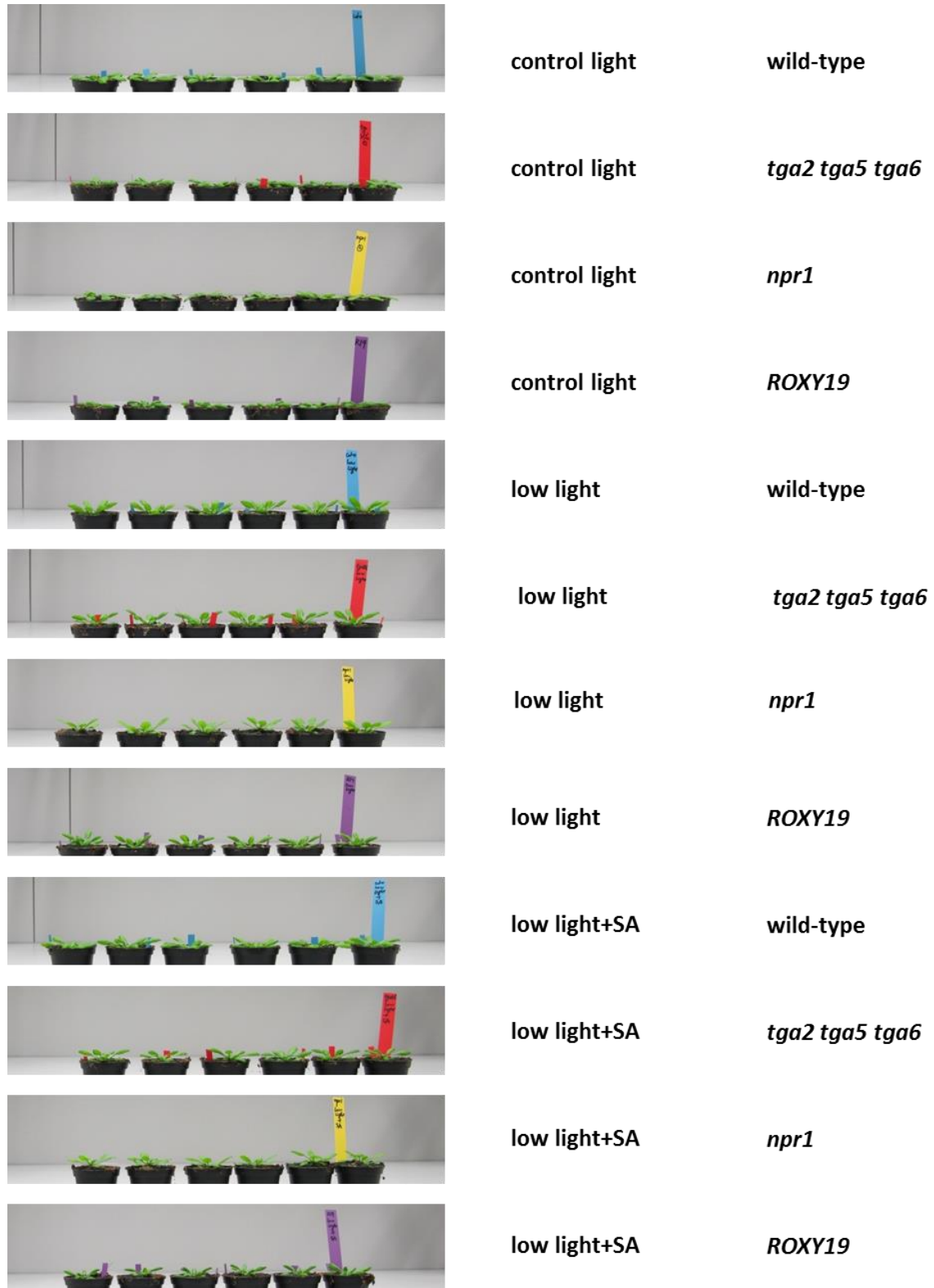
wild-type, *tga1 tga4*, *gTGA1#1*, *gTGA1#3*, *gTGA1cys#1* and *gTGA1cys#3* in response to 6 hours low light , low light plus SA treatment. Images were used for petiole angle measurement in Figure 3.4B.



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| control light | wild-type |
| control light | <i>tga1 tga4</i> |
| control light | <i>gTGA1 #1</i> |
| control light | <i>gTGA1 #3</i> |
| control light | <i>gTGA1cys #1</i> |
| control light | <i>gTGA1cys #3</i> |
| low light | wild-type |
| low light | <i>tga1 tga4</i> |
| low light | <i>gTGA1 #1</i> |
| low light | <i>gTGA1 #3</i> |
| low light | <i>gTGA1cys #1</i> |
| low light | <i>gTGA1cys #3</i> |
| low light+SA | wild-type |
| low light+SA | <i>tga1 tga4</i> |
| low light+SA | <i>gTGA1 #1</i> |
| low light+SA | <i>gTGA1 #3</i> |
| low light+SA | <i>gTGA1cys #1</i> |
| low light+SA | <i>gTGA1cys #3</i> |

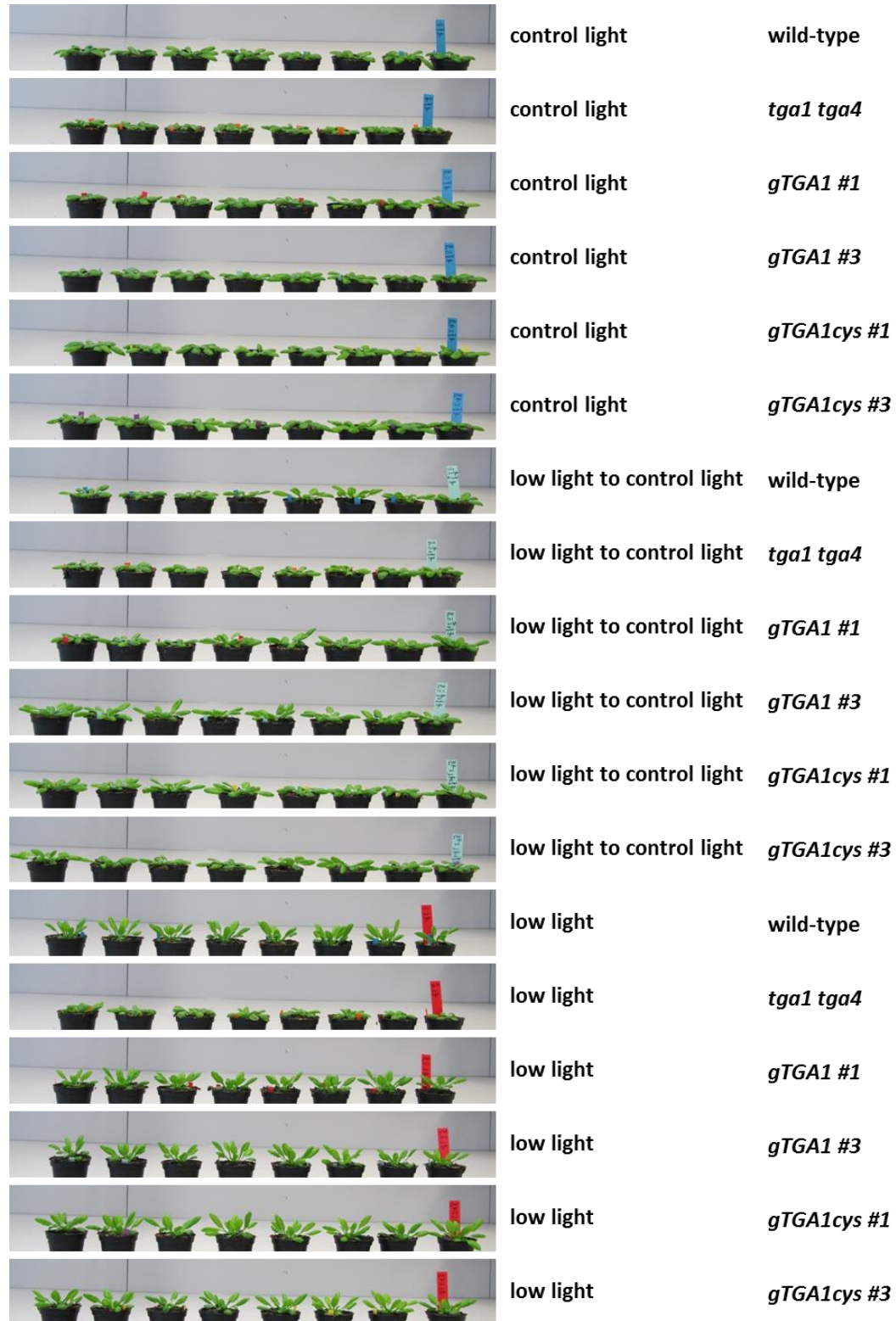
Supplementary Figure S11

wild-type, *tga2 tga5 tga6*, *npr1*, and *35S:HA-ROXY19* in response to 6 hours low light, low light plus SA treatment. Images were used for petiole angle measurement in Figure 3.5.



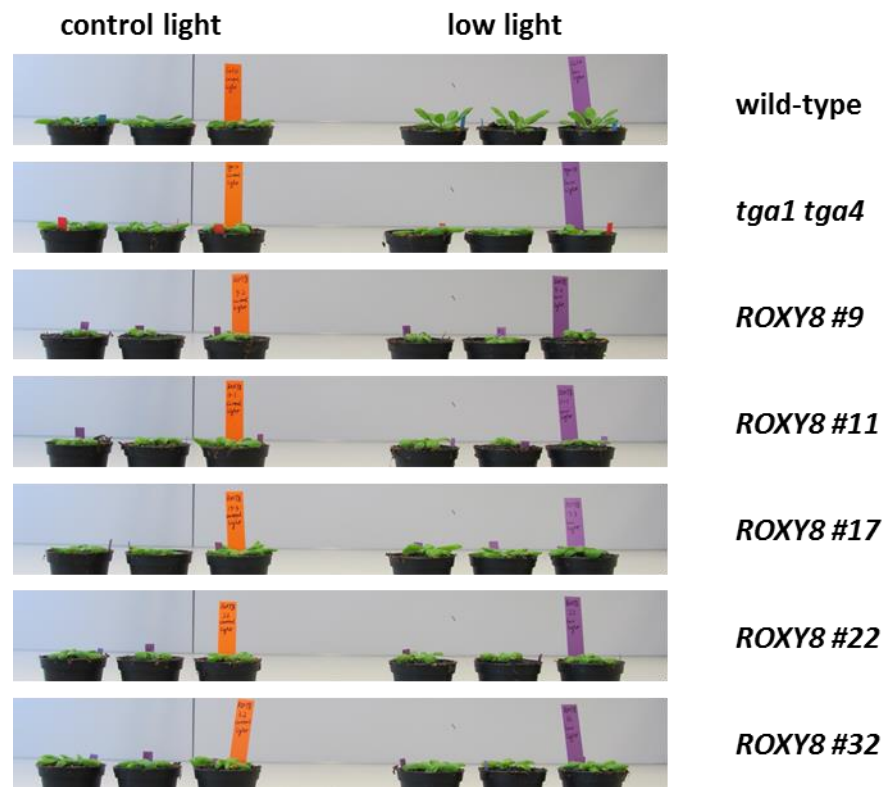
Supplementary Figure S12

wild-type, *tga1 tga4*, *gTGA1#1*, *gTGA1#3*, *gTGA1cys#1* and *gTGA1cys#3* in response to low light, low light to control light treatment. Images were used for petiole angle measurement in Figure 3.6B.



Supplementary Figure S13

wild-type, *tga1 tga4*, *35S:HA-ROXY8#9,#11,#17,#22,#32* in response to 6 hours low light treatment. Images were used for petiole angle measurement in Figure 3.9A.



Supplementary Figure S14

wild-type, *tga1 tga4*, *35S:HA-ROXY9#6,#7,#10,#13,#14* in response to 6 hours low light treatment. Images were used for petiole angle measurement in Figure 3.9B.



Table S1 List of 169 genes of cluster 2.

| Identifier | Description | CoLL-tgaLL logFC | CoLL-ROXYLL logFC |
|------------|--|------------------|-------------------|
| AT5G25760 | PEX4, UBC21 peroxin4 chr5:8967655-8969349 FORWARD LENGTH=745 | 2.06 | 1.78 |
| AT1G63380 | NAD(P)-binding Rossmann-fold superfamily protein chr1:23505557-23506391 FORWARD LENGTH=709 | 1.99 | 1.52 |
| AT3G63440 | ATCKX6, CKX6, ATCKX7 cytokinin oxidase/dehydrogenase 6 chr3:23424157-23426536 FORWARD LENGTH=2007 | 1.95 | 2.39 |
| AT3G49110 | PRX33, PRXCA, ATPRX33, ATPCA peroxidase CA chr3:18200664-18203142 FORWARD LENGTH=1365 | 1.92 | 1.34 |
| AT5G58390 | Peroxidase superfamily protein chr5:23599567-23601325 REVERSE LENGTH=1220 | 1.80 | 1.72 |
| AT3G08840 | D-alanine--D-alanine ligase family chr3:2682453-2686224 REVERSE LENGTH=1785 | 1.77 | 1.22 |
| AT4G23450 | AIRP1, AtAIRP1 RING/U-box superfamily protein chr4:12240803-12242706 REVERSE LENGTH=1031 | 1.76 | 0.76 |
| AT3G07610 | IBM1 Transcription factor jumonji (jmjC) domain-containing protein chr3:2426148-2432876 FORWARD LENGTH=3084 | 1.75 | 0.85 |
| AT5G66600 | Protein of unknown function, DUF547 chr5:26575000-26578826 REVERSE LENGTH=2461 | 1.71 | 1.33 |
| AT1G75920 | GDSL-like Lipase/Acylhydrolase superfamily protein chr1:28505554-28507168 FORWARD LENGTH=1106 | 1.68 | 2.28 |
| AT5G17920 | ATCIMS, ATMETS, ATMS1 Cobalamin-independent synthase family protein chr5:5935038-5939487 FORWARD LENGTH=2771 | 1.61 | 1.25 |
| AT1G37150 | HCS2 holocarboxylase synthetase 2 chr1:14174981-14177302 REVERSE LENGTH=1101 | 1.56 | 0.59 |
| AT5G03545 | AT4, ATIPS2 Expressed in response to phosphate starvation, this response is enhanced by the presence of IAA. chr5:894706-895400 FORWARD LENGTH=695 | 1.53 | 1.83 |
| AT1G56600 | AtGolS2, GolS2 galactinol synthase 2 chr1:21207537-21209596 FORWARD LENGTH=1396 | 1.53 | 1.32 |
| AT4G21160 | ZAC Calcium-dependent ARF-type GTPase activating protein family chr4:11284238-11286767 FORWARD LENGTH=1404 | 1.53 | 0.47 |
| AT1G28290 | AGP31 arabinogalactan protein 31 chr1:9889125-9890875 REVERSE LENGTH=1186 | 1.52 | 1.49 |
| AT1G15860 | Domain of unknown function (DUF298) chr1:5454838-5457022 FORWARD LENGTH=1182 | 1.52 | 1.95 |
| AT3G26960 | Pollen Ole e 1 allergen and extensin family protein chr3:9944668-9945579 REVERSE LENGTH=836 | 1.48 | 1.68 |
| AT5G66420 | CONTAINS InterPro DOMAIN/s: Uncharacterised conserved protein UCP033271 (InterPro:IPR008322), TIM-barrel signal transduction protein, predicted (InterPro:IPR009215); Has 30201 Blast hits to 17322 proteins in 780 species: Archae - 12; Bacteria - 1396; Metazoa - 17338; Fungi - 3422; Plants - 5037; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 2996 (source: NCBI BLink). chr5:26521674-26525029 REVERSE LENGTH=2679 | 1.47 | 2.10 |
| AT3G25010 | AtRLP41, RLP41 receptor like protein 41 chr3:9110103-9112748 REVERSE LENGTH=2646 | 1.46 | 1.02 |
| AT5G22820 | ARM repeat superfamily protein chr5:7623440-7626975 REVERSE LENGTH=1997 | 1.46 | 1.59 |
| AT3G15605 | nucleic acid binding chr3:5288093-5290941 FORWARD LENGTH=1667 | 1.43 | 0.87 |
| AT2G21540 | ATSFH3, SFH3 SEC14-like 3 chr2:9220556-9224496 REVERSE LENGTH=2106 | 1.43 | 1.57 |
| AT3G61880 | CYP78A9 cytochrome p450 78a9 chr3:22905868-22907958 REVERSE LENGTH=1919 | 1.42 | 2.15 |
| AT5G42690 | Protein of unknown function, DUF547 chr5:17116428-17119838 REVERSE LENGTH=2102 | 1.41 | 0.53 |
| AT3G46490 | 2-oxoglutarate (2OG) and Fe(II)-dependent oxygenase superfamily protein chr3:17115629-17119451 FORWARD LENGTH=993 | 1.39 | 0.74 |
| AT4G35900 | FD, FD-1, atbzip14 Basic-leucine zipper (bZIP) transcription factor family protein chr4:17004595-17006287 FORWARD LENGTH=1344 | 1.37 | 0.89 |
| AT4G25090 | Riboflavin synthase-like superfamily protein chr4:12878775-12883599 REVERSE LENGTH=2705 | 1.37 | 0.69 |
| AT2G22620 | Rhamnogalacturonate lyase family protein chr2:9604772-9610595 REVERSE LENGTH=2444 | 1.36 | 1.25 |
| AT1G58225 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: biological_process unknown; LOCATED IN: endomembrane system; Has 4 Blast hits to 4 proteins in 2 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 4; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr1:21564111-21565171 FORWARD LENGTH=702 | 1.33 | 1.17 |

| Identifier | Description | CoLL-tgaLL logFC | CoLL-ROXYLL logFC |
|------------|---|---------------------|----------------------|
| AT4G18970 | GDSL-like Lipase/Acylhydrolase superfamily protein chr4:10389111-10390917 REVERSE LENGTH=1392 | 1.32 | 0.57 |
| AT4G01680 | MYB55 myb domain protein 55 chr4:716021-717415 REVERSE LENGTH=1248 | 1.31 | 1.21 |
| AT2G21050 | LAX2 like AUXIN RESISTANT 2 chr2:9034090-9036636 FORWARD LENGTH=1848 | 1.31 | 1.52 |
| AT1G53040 | Protein of unknown function (DUF616) chr1:19764310-19767334 REVERSE LENGTH=2174 | 1.30 | 1.22 |
| AT1G10657 | Plant protein 1589 of unknown function chr1:3530467-3531821 FORWARD LENGTH=862 | 1.29 | 0.76 |
| AT2G34655 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: biological_process unknown; LOCATED IN: endomembrane system; EXPRESSED IN: stem, root, inflorescence, cultured cell, leaf; Has 35333 Blast hits to 34131 proteins in 2444 species: Archae - 798; Bacteria - 22429; Metazoa - 974; Fungi - 991; Plants - 531; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 9610 (source: NCBI BLINK). chr2:14596631-14597540 FORWARD LENGTH=910 | 1.26 | 1.45 |
| AT4G00440 | Protein of unknown function (DUF3741) chr4:193879-198579 FORWARD LENGTH=3802 | 1.26 | 1.48 |
| AT1G68810 | basic helix-loop-helix (bHLH) DNA-binding superfamily protein chr1:25861123-25863120 FORWARD LENGTH=1511 | 1.25 | 1.35 |
| AT5G12880 | proline-rich family protein chr5:4068519-4068962 REVERSE LENGTH=444 | 1.25 | 0.91 |
| AT5G09220 | AAP2 amino acid permease 2 chr5:2866252-2869054 FORWARD LENGTH=1794 | 1.24 | 1.13 |
| AT4G02290 | AtGH9B13, GH9B13 glycosyl hydrolase 9B13 chr4:1002394-1005253 REVERSE LENGTH=1939 | 1.24 | 1.66 |
| AT5G05960 | Bifunctional inhibitor/lipid-transfer protein/seed storage 2S albumin superfamily protein chr5:1790231-1790833 FORWARD LENGTH=515 | 1.23 | 1.38 |
| AT3G20080 | CYP705A15 cytochrome P450, family 705, subfamily A, polypeptide 15 chr3:7008774-7010677 FORWARD LENGTH=1825 | 1.23 | 1.13 |
| AT3G20460 | Major facilitator superfamily protein chr3:7135050-7139472 FORWARD LENGTH=1470 | 1.23 | 1.30 |
| AT5G46240 | KAT1 potassium channel in <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> 1 chr5:18743566-18746730 REVERSE LENGTH=2289 | 1.23 | 1.16 |
| AT3G06370 | NHX4, ATNHX4 sodium hydrogen exchanger 4 chr3:1930396-1934073 REVERSE LENGTH=2207 | 1.22 | 1.43 |
| AT5G23210 | SCPL34 serine carboxypeptidase-like 34 chr5:7810855-7815039 FORWARD LENGTH=1848 | 1.22 | 1.44 |
| AT3G12610 | DRT100 Leucine-rich repeat (LRR) family protein chr3:4006399-4007807 REVERSE LENGTH=1409 | 1.21 | 1.29 |
| AT2G40610 | ATEXA8, EXP8, ATEXP8, ATHEXP ALPHA 1.11, EXPA8 expansin A8 chr2:16948863-16950557 REVERSE LENGTH=1105 | 1.20 | 1.36 |
| AT1G18710 | AtMYB47, MYB47 myb domain protein 47 chr1:6450594-6453114 FORWARD LENGTH=1119 | 1.19 | 0.92 |
| AT5G54510 | GH3.6, DFL1 Auxin-responsive GH3 family protein chr5:22131093-22133678 REVERSE LENGTH=2181 | 1.18 | 1.52 |
| AT3G28700 | Protein of unknown function (DUF185) chr3:10759559-10762114 FORWARD LENGTH=1717 | 1.17 | 1.19 |
| AT1G23340 | Protein of Unknown Function (DUF239) chr1:8283644-8286528 REVERSE LENGTH=1289 | 1.17 | 1.15 |
| AT1G23140 | Calcium-dependent lipid-binding (CaLB domain) family protein chr1:8202261-8203215 REVERSE LENGTH=642 | 1.17 | 0.89 |
| AT2G14680 | MEE13 myosin heavy chain-related chr2:6277961-6283940 FORWARD LENGTH=2359 | 1.16 | 1.06 |
| AT3G25620 | ABC-2 type transporter family protein chr3:9316074-9319571 REVERSE LENGTH=2688 | 1.16 | 1.14 |
| AT1G78970 | LUP1, ATLUP1 lupeol synthase 1 chr1:29703062-29707844 FORWARD LENGTH=2642 | 1.15 | 1.85 |
| AT4G08040 | ACS11 1-aminocyclopropane-1-carboxylate synthase 11 chr4:4887112-4888939 FORWARD LENGTH=1383 | 1.14 | 0.99 |
| AT3G48900 | single-stranded DNA endonuclease family protein chr3:18131829-18136341 FORWARD LENGTH=2031 | 1.13 | 1.79 |
| AT3G15540 | IAA19, MSG2 indole-3-acetic acid inducible 19 chr3:5264024-5265678 FORWARD LENGTH=970 | 1.13 | 1.37 |
| AT2G46570 | LAC6 laccase 6 chr2:19126872-19129069 FORWARD LENGTH=1710 | 1.12 | 0.75 |
| AT5G10430 | AGP4, ATAGP4 arabinogalactan protein 4 chr5:3277532-3278313 REVERSE LENGTH=782 | 1.11 | 1.85 |
| AT2G24300 | Calmodulin-binding protein chr2:10340816-10343736 FORWARD LENGTH=2214 | 1.10 | 1.02 |

| Identifier | Description | CoLL-tgaLL logFC | CoLL-ROXYLL logFC |
|------------|--|------------------|-------------------|
| AT1G75780 | TUB1 tubulin beta-1 chain chr1:28451141-28453640 REVERSE LENGTH=1619 | 1.09 | 1.21 |
| AT2G18690 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: biological_process unknown; LOCATED IN: membrane; EXPRESSED IN: 17 plant structures; EXPRESSED DURING: 9 growth stages; CONTAINS InterPro DOMAIN/s: Protein of unknown function DUF975 (InterPro:IPR010380); BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT2G18680.1); Has 213 Blast hits to 211 proteins in 20 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 8; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 205; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr2:8097420-8098827 FORWARD LENGTH=1408 | 1.07 | 1.10 |
| AT3G54260 | TBL36 TRICHOME BIREFRINGENCE-LIKE 36 chr3:20085010-20086763 REVERSE LENGTH=1245 | 1.07 | 0.84 |
| AT1G80660 | AHA9, HA9 H(+)-ATPase 9 chr1:30316227-30319948 REVERSE LENGTH=2865 | 1.06 | 1.14 |
| AT5G06930 | LOCATED IN: chloroplast; EXPRESSED IN: 15 plant structures; EXPRESSED DURING: 7 growth stages; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: nucleolar protein gar2-related (TAIR:AT2G42320.2); Has 3369 Blast hits to 1526 proteins in 313 species: Archae - 2; Bacteria - 910; Metazoa - 754; Fungi - 336; Plants - 137; Viruses - 11; Other Eukaryotes - 1219 (source: NCBI BLink). chr5:2144999-2148039 FORWARD LENGTH=2502 | 1.06 | 1.26 |
| AT2G34300 | S-adenosyl-L-methionine-dependent methyltransferases superfamily protein chr2:14473703-14477430 REVERSE LENGTH=2700 | 1.05 | 1.93 |
| AT1G23060 | BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: TPX2 (targeting protein for Xk1p2) protein family (TAIR:AT1G70950.1); Has 449 Blast hits to 419 proteins in 98 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 40; Metazoa - 139; Fungi - 21; Plants - 158; Viruses - 3; Other Eukaryotes - 88 (source: NCBI BLink). chr1:8170755-8172992 REVERSE LENGTH=1452 | 1.05 | 1.44 |
| AT2G46320 | Mitochondrial substrate carrier family protein chr2:19015813-19018230 FORWARD LENGTH=1497 | 1.05 | 1.31 |
| AT5G18080 | SAUR-like auxin-responsive protein family chr5:5983840-5984112 FORWARD LENGTH=273 | 1.05 | 1.49 |
| AT1G19530 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: N-terminal protein myristoylation, anaerobic respiration; LOCATED IN: cellular_component unknown; EXPRESSED IN: leaf apex, inflorescence meristem, hypocotyl, root, flower; EXPRESSED DURING: petal differentiation and expansion stage; Has 47 Blast hits to 47 proteins in 13 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 47; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr1:6763915-6764971 FORWARD LENGTH=700 | 1.04 | 1.56 |
| AT3G11720 | Polyketide cyclase/dehydrase and lipid transport superfamily protein chr3:3705865-3708609 REVERSE LENGTH=1947 | 1.04 | 1.23 |
| AT2G10606 | MIR396A MIR396A; miRNA chr2:4142323-4142473 REVERSE LENGTH=151 | 1.03 | 1.21 |
| AT3G25710 | BHLH32, ATAIG1, TMO5 basic helix-loop-helix 32 chr3:9369519-9371394 FORWARD LENGTH=1412 | 1.03 | 0.95 |
| AT5G14230 | CONTAINS InterPro DOMAIN/s: Ankyrin repeat-containing domain (InterPro:IPR020683), Ankyrin repeat (InterPro:IPR002110); BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: XB3 ortholog 2 in <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> (TAIR:AT5G57740.1); Has 66374 Blast hits to 25358 proteins in 1201 species: Archae - 121; Bacteria - 8133; Metazoa - 29530; Fungi - 5885; Plants - 3349; Viruses - 785; Other Eukaryotes - 18571 (source: NCBI BLink). chr5:4591741-4595964 FORWARD LENGTH=2587 | 1.02 | 0.93 |
| AT3G62090 | PIL2, PIF6 phytochrome interacting factor 3-like 2 chr3:22988547-22990709 REVERSE LENGTH=1805 | 1.02 | 0.71 |
| AT2G40130 | Double Clp-N motif-containing P-loop nucleoside triphosphate hydrolases superfamily protein chr2:16765920-16769268 FORWARD LENGTH=3037 | 1.02 | 1.37 |
| AT1G78970 | LUP1, ATLUP1 lupeol synthase 1 chr1:29703340-29707844 FORWARD LENGTH=2477 | 1.01 | 1.47 |
| AT1G67750 | Pectate lyase family protein chr1:25401588-25403503 FORWARD LENGTH=1637 | 1.01 | 1.55 |
| AT2G47000 | MDR4, PGP4, ABCB4, ATPGP4 ATP binding cassette subfamily B4 chr2:19309868-19315241 REVERSE LENGTH=4161 | 1.01 | 0.89 |
| AT3G23030 | IAA2 indole-3-acetic acid inducible 2 chr3:8180768-8181800 REVERSE LENGTH=941 | 1.00 | 1.32 |
| AT1G25530 | Transmembrane amino acid transporter family protein chr1:8964544-8967428 REVERSE LENGTH=1643 | 1.00 | 1.21 |
| AT1G52750 | alpha/beta-Hydrolases superfamily protein chr1:19646465-19649261 REVERSE LENGTH=2275 | 1.00 | 1.55 |

| Identifier | Description | CoLL-tgaLL logFC | CoLL-ROXYLL logFC |
|------------|---|---------------------|----------------------|
| AT5G57150 | basic helix-loop-helix (bHLH) DNA-binding superfamily protein chr5:23152186-23154264 FORWARD LENGTH=1827 | 0.99 | 0.70 |
| AT1G11120 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: biological_process unknown; LOCATED IN: cellular_component unknown; EXPRESSED IN: 10 plant structures; EXPRESSED DURING: 4 anthesis, F mature embryo stage, petal differentiation and expansion stage, E expanded cotyledon stage, D bilateral stage; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT4G28170.1); Has 94 Blast hits to 94 proteins in 13 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 94; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr1:3715184-3717320 FORWARD LENGTH=531 | 0.99 | 1.36 |
| AT4G39800 | MI-1-P SYNTHASE, MIPS1, ATMIPS1, ATIPS1 myo-inositol-1-phosphate synthase 1 chr4:18469348-18471967 REVERSE LENGTH=1921 | 0.99 | 0.91 |
| AT1G63300 | Myosin heavy chain-related protein chr1:23482193-23486220 FORWARD LENGTH=3243 | 0.99 | 0.93 |
| AT4G16260 | Glycosyl hydrolase superfamily protein chr4:9200010-9201552 REVERSE LENGTH=1316 | 0.98 | 0.98 |
| AT1G52190 | Major facilitator superfamily protein chr1:19434509-19438971 FORWARD LENGTH=2284 | 0.98 | 0.97 |
| AT1G67260 | TCP1 TCP family transcription factor chr1:25167462-25169307 REVERSE LENGTH=1307 | 0.98 | 0.98 |
| AT1G26945 | KDR basic helix-loop-helix (bHLH) DNA-binding superfamily protein chr1:9351454-9352761 FORWARD LENGTH=689 | 0.98 | 2.10 |
| AT5G55550 | RNA-binding (RRM/RBD/RNP motifs) family protein chr5:22502064-22504011 REVERSE LENGTH=1640 | 0.97 | 0.67 |
| AT3G28420 | Putative membrane lipoprotein chr3:10654470-10655388 REVERSE LENGTH=919 | 0.97 | 1.88 |
| AT3G17185 | TASIR-ARF, TAS3, ATTAS3 TAS3/TASIR-ARF (TRANS-ACTING SIRNA3); other RNA chr3:5861491-5862437 FORWARD LENGTH=947 | 0.97 | 0.61 |
| AT4G32460 | Protein of unknown function, DUF642 chr4:15662266-15664948 REVERSE LENGTH=1257 | 0.96 | 1.52 |
| AT1G76960 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: biological_process unknown; LOCATED IN: endomembrane system; EXPRESSED IN: 9 plant structures; EXPRESSED DURING: 8 growth stages; Has 8 Blast hits to 8 proteins in 2 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 8; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr1:28920457-28920956 REVERSE LENGTH=388 | 0.96 | 0.99 |
| AT1G78040 | Pollen Ole e 1 allergen and extensin family protein chr1:29345838-29347107 FORWARD LENGTH=938 | 0.96 | 0.86 |
| AT1G53800 | unknown protein; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT1G53250.1); Has 1136 Blast hits to 882 proteins in 242 species: Archae - 2; Bacteria - 216; Metazoa - 257; Fungi - 77; Plants - 87; Viruses - 4; Other Eukaryotes - 493 (source: NCBI BLink). chr1:20081730-20084500 FORWARD LENGTH=2045 | 0.96 | 1.23 |
| AT5G50335 | unknown protein; Has 30201 Blast hits to 17322 proteins in 780 species: Archae - 12; Bacteria - 1396; Metazoa - 17338; Fungi - 3422; Plants - 5037; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 2996 (source: NCBI BLink). chr5:20489094-20489727 REVERSE LENGTH=634 | 0.96 | 0.90 |
| AT4G30180 | sequence-specific DNA binding transcription factors;transcription regulators chr4:14768936-14769648 FORWARD LENGTH=713 | 0.95 | 1.04 |
| AT4G09890 | Protein of unknown function (DUF3511) chr4:6218396-6218927 FORWARD LENGTH=532 | 0.95 | 0.87 |
| AT1G60960 | IRT3, ATIRT3 iron regulated transporter 3 chr1:22445310-22447214 REVERSE LENGTH=1532 | 0.95 | 0.63 |
| AT4G11830 | PLDGAMMA2 phospholipase D gamma 2 chr4:7115736-7121245 REVERSE LENGTH=3820 | 0.95 | 1.41 |
| AT4G14130 | XTR7, XTH15 xyloglucan endotransglucosylase/hydrolase 15 chr4:8137051-8138281 REVERSE LENGTH=1065 | 0.95 | 0.72 |
| AT1G11545 | XTH8 xyloglucan endotransglucosylase/hydrolase 8 chr1:3878550-3880361 REVERSE LENGTH=1132 | 0.94 | 1.14 |
| AT1G64670 | BDG1 alpha/beta-Hydrolases superfamily protein chr1:24030820-24033556 REVERSE LENGTH=1662 | 0.94 | 0.96 |
| AT2G44500 | O-fucosyltransferase family protein chr2:18374292-18376790 FORWARD LENGTH=2311 | 0.94 | 0.76 |
| AT5G48900 | Pectin lyase-like superfamily protein chr5:19825137-19829092 FORWARD LENGTH=1540 | 0.93 | 1.18 |
| AT4G33070 | Thiamine pyrophosphate dependent pyruvate decarboxylase family protein chr4:15952289-15954771 REVERSE LENGTH=2149 | 0.93 | 0.59 |

| Identifier | Description | CoLL-tgaLL logFC | CoLL-ROXYLL logFC |
|------------|---|---------------------|----------------------|
| AT5G18030 | SAUR-like auxin-responsive protein family chr5:5968435-5968938 FORWARD LENGTH=504 | 0.93 | 1.53 |
| AT5G67390 | unknown protein; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: Plant protein of unknown function (DUF863) (TAIR:AT1G69360.1); Has 186 Blast hits to 186 proteins in 18 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 170; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 16 (source: NCBI BLink). chr5:26887670-26888634 REVERSE LENGTH=866 | 0.93 | 0.72 |
| AT5G62170 | unknown protein; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT5G51850.1); Has 381 Blast hits to 359 proteins in 81 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 16; Metazoa - 101; Fungi - 21; Plants - 99; Viruses - 3; Other Eukaryotes - 141 (source: NCBI BLink). chr5:24972977-24975549 REVERSE LENGTH=2324 | 0.92 | 0.98 |
| AT4G29020 | glycine-rich protein chr4:14304921-14305721 FORWARD LENGTH=801 | 0.92 | 1.25 |
| AT1G10820 | Protein of unknown function (DUF3755) chr1:3600910-3605076 REVERSE LENGTH=1547 | 0.92 | 1.38 |
| AT4G24275 | Identified as a screen for stress-responsive genes. chr4:12588519-12589062 FORWARD LENGTH=544 | 0.92 | 1.30 |
| AT4G35070 | SBP (S-ribonuclease binding protein) family protein chr4:16694170-16695698 FORWARD LENGTH=1427 | 0.91 | 1.19 |
| AT5G61160 | AACT1 anthocyanin 5-aromatic acyltransferase 1 chr5:24608724-24610304 FORWARD LENGTH=1581 | 0.91 | 0.70 |
| AT1G58460 | unknown protein; Has 35 Blast hits to 35 proteins in 8 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 35; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr1:21721404-21722429 FORWARD LENGTH=534 | 0.91 | 0.79 |
| AT3G26900 | SKL1, ATSKL1 shikimate kinase like 1 chr3:9912209-9914514 REVERSE LENGTH=1038 | 0.91 | 0.78 |
| AT5G15265 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: biological_process unknown; LOCATED IN: endomembrane system; Has 5 Blast hits to 5 proteins in 3 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 5; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr5:4956501-4957533 FORWARD LENGTH=438 | 0.90 | 0.86 |
| AT1G10550 | XTH33, XET xyloglucan:xyloglucosyl transferase 33 chr1:3479153-3480988 REVERSE LENGTH=1068 | 0.89 | 1.15 |
| AT3G03820 | SAUR-like auxin-responsive protein family chr3:976933-977223 REVERSE LENGTH=291 | 0.89 | 1.00 |
| AT1G62770 | Plant invertase/pectin methylesterase inhibitor superfamily protein chr1:23245886-23246890 REVERSE LENGTH=868 | 0.89 | 0.68 |
| AT1G01120 | KCS1 3-ketoacyl-CoA synthase 1 chr1:57269-59167 REVERSE LENGTH=1899 | 0.89 | 1.04 |
| AT5G22580 | Stress responsive A/B Barrel Domain chr5:7502674-7503449 FORWARD LENGTH=683 | 0.89 | 1.00 |
| AT2G48020 | Major facilitator superfamily protein chr2:19644100-19647178 FORWARD LENGTH=1765 | 0.89 | 1.03 |
| AT5G12940 | Leucine-rich repeat (LRR) family protein chr5:4087712-4089004 FORWARD LENGTH=1293 | 0.88 | 1.15 |
| AT5G07030 | Eukaryotic aspartyl protease family protein chr5:2183360-2185972 REVERSE LENGTH=1863 | 0.88 | 1.15 |
| AT4G38825 | SAUR-like auxin-responsive protein family chr4:18121526-18122010 FORWARD LENGTH=485 | 0.88 | 1.07 |
| AT3G01472 | CPuORF33 conserved peptide upstream open reading frame 33 chr3:182396-184403 REVERSE LENGTH=1440 | 0.87 | 0.68 |
| AT5G48560 | basic helix-loop-helix (bHLH) DNA-binding superfamily protein chr5:19684006-19687151 FORWARD LENGTH=1931 | 0.87 | 1.05 |
| AT5G22940 | F8H FRA8 homolog chr5:7676938-7679179 FORWARD LENGTH=1956 | 0.87 | 0.87 |
| AT2G43150 | Proline-rich extensin-like family protein chr2:17945893-17947022 FORWARD LENGTH=1047 | 0.87 | 0.85 |
| AT5G56030 | HSP81-2 heat shock protein 81-2 chr5:22686832-22689471 FORWARD LENGTH=2316 | 0.87 | 0.83 |
| AT5G64552 | CPuORF22 conserved peptide upstream open reading frame 22 chr5:25801528-25804980 REVERSE LENGTH=2533 | 0.87 | 0.85 |
| AT4G00050 | UNE10 basic helix-loop-helix (bHLH) DNA-binding superfamily protein chr4:17792-20066 FORWARD LENGTH=1489 | 0.86 | 0.94 |
| AT1G64640 | ENODL8, AtENODL8 early nodulin-like protein 8 chr1:24022285-24023196 REVERSE LENGTH=818 | 0.86 | 1.33 |
| AT2G41820 | Leucine-rich repeat protein kinase family protein chr2:17446744-17450071 FORWARD LENGTH=3256 | 0.85 | 1.06 |

| Identifier | Description | CoLL-tgaLL logFC | CoLL-ROXYLL logFC |
|------------|---|---------------------|----------------------|
| AT5G07790 | unknown protein; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT5G61300.1); Has 1807 Blast hits to 1807 proteins in 277 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 736; Fungi - 347; Plants - 385; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 339 (source: NCBI BLink). chr5:2483311-2486361 FORWARD LENGTH=2453 | 0.85 | 0.92 |
| AT3G59900 | ARGOS auxin-regulated gene involved in organ size chr3:22129726-22130464 FORWARD LENGTH=739 | 0.85 | 1.39 |
| AT3G04290 | ATLTL1, LTL1 Li-tolerant lipase 1 chr3:1133320-1136316 REVERSE LENGTH=1494 | 0.84 | 1.30 |
| AT4G21760 | BGLU47 beta-glucosidase 47 chr4:11561229-11563950 FORWARD LENGTH=1687 | 0.84 | 1.10 |
| AT5G65390 | AGP7 arabinogalactan protein 7 chr5:26128584-26129338 REVERSE LENGTH=755 | 0.84 | 1.30 |
| AT4G00820 | iqd17 IQ-domain 17 chr4:349116-351550 FORWARD LENGTH=2032 | 0.83 | 0.97 |
| AT5G59010 | Protein kinase protein with tetratricopeptide repeat domain chr5:23820368-23823265 REVERSE LENGTH=1936 | 0.83 | 0.92 |
| AT1G18400 | BEE1 BR enhanced expression 1 chr1:6331398-6333743 FORWARD LENGTH=1016 | 0.83 | 1.31 |
| AT1G57590 | Pectinacetyl esterase family protein chr1:21327360-21329763 REVERSE LENGTH=1489 | 0.82 | 0.63 |
| AT4G36110 | SAUR-like auxin-responsive protein family chr4:17089949-17090825 FORWARD LENGTH=877 | 0.82 | 0.96 |
| AT3G54400 | Eukaryotic aspartyl protease family protein chr3:20140058-20142642 REVERSE LENGTH=1554 | 0.81 | 1.17 |
| AT1G53180 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: biological_process unknown; LOCATED IN: cellular_component unknown; EXPRESSED IN: 13 plant structures; EXPRESSED DURING: 6 growth stages; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT3G15115.1); Has 58 Blast hits to 56 proteins in 22 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 6; Fungi - 4; Plants - 29; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 19 (source: NCBI BLink). chr1:19831441-19832895 FORWARD LENGTH=1386 | 0.81 | 0.99 |
| AT2G39920 | HAD superfamily, subfamily IIIB acid phosphatase chr2:16663017-16664539 REVERSE LENGTH=1168 | 0.81 | 0.89 |
| AT4G13920 | AtRLP50, RLP50 receptor like protein 50 chr4:8043803-8046559 FORWARD LENGTH=2757 | 0.81 | 0.66 |
| AT3G15536 | Unknown gene chr3:5260723-5261322 FORWARD LENGTH=495 | 0.80 | 0.82 |
| AT1G53070 | Legume lectin family protein chr1:19778333-19779373 FORWARD LENGTH=1041 | 0.80 | 0.91 |
| AT1G28130 | GH3.17 Auxin-responsive GH3 family protein chr1:9825286-9828067 FORWARD LENGTH=2159 | 0.79 | 0.94 |
| AT2G42380 | ATBZIP34, BZIP34 Basic-leucine zipper (bZIP) transcription factor family protein chr2:17646900-17648945 REVERSE LENGTH=1556 | 0.79 | 1.22 |
| AT5G06440 | BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: Polyketide cyclase/dehydrase and lipid transport superfamily protein (TAIR:AT3G11720.3); Has 157 Blast hits to 155 proteins in 41 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 6; Metazoa - 5; Fungi - 6; Plants - 99; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 41 (source: NCBI BLink). chr5:1964468-1966955 REVERSE LENGTH=1761 | 0.78 | 0.83 |
| AT2G29130 | LAC2, ATLAC2 laccase 2 chr2:12524889-12527747 REVERSE LENGTH=2070 | 0.77 | 1.04 |
| AT3G43190 | SUS4, ATSUS4 sucrose synthase 4 chr3:15179020-15183989 REVERSE LENGTH=2764 | 0.77 | 1.01 |
| AT4G21650 | Subtilase family protein chr4:11501198-11504678 REVERSE LENGTH=2439 | 0.77 | 0.86 |
| AT1G15550 | GA4, ATGA3OX1, GA3OX1 gibberellin 3-oxidase 1 chr1:5344478-5346166 REVERSE LENGTH=1256 | 0.77 | 1.13 |
| AT5G03120 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: biological_process unknown; LOCATED IN: endomembrane system; EXPRESSED IN: 21 plant structures; EXPRESSED DURING: 13 growth stages; Has 14 Blast hits to 14 proteins in 4 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 14; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr5:733979-734943 FORWARD LENGTH=574 | 0.76 | 0.84 |
| AT3G16360 | AHP4 HPT phosphotransmitter 4 chr3:5554474-5555393 FORWARD LENGTH=420 | 0.76 | 0.94 |
| AT1G68600 | Aluminium activated malate transporter family protein chr1:25759842-25762934 FORWARD LENGTH=1875 | 0.75 | 0.91 |
| AT1G10970 | ZIP4, ATZIP4 zinc transporter 4 precursor chr1:3665087-3667139 REVERSE LENGTH=1547 | 0.75 | 0.60 |
| AT3G12500 | ATHCHIB, PR3, PR-3, CHI-B, B-CHI, HCHIB basic chitinase chr3:3962382-3963984 REVERSE LENGTH=1127 | 0.74 | 0.98 |

| Identifier | Description | CoLL-tgaLL logFC | CoLL-ROXYLL logFC |
|------------|--|---------------------|----------------------|
| AT5G04160 | Nucleotide-sugar transporter family protein chr5:1142782-1144912 REVERSE LENGTH=1316 | 0.74 | 0.92 |
| AT3G62090 | PIL2 phytochrome interacting factor 3-like 2 chr3:22988547-22990709 REVERSE LENGTH=1614 | 0.74 | 1.20 |
| AT3G18210 | 2-oxoglutarate (2OG) and Fe(II)-dependent oxygenase superfamily protein chr3:6237930-6240605 REVERSE LENGTH=1728 | 0.71 | 1.00 |

Table S2 List of 167 genes of cluster 5.

| Identifier | Description | Col-CoLL logFC | CoLL-tgaLL logFC | CoLL-ROXYLL logFC |
|------------|---|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| AT4G31430 | unknown protein; LOCATED IN: plasma membrane; EXPRESSED IN: 25 plant structures; EXPRESSED DURING: 15 growth stages; Has 35333 Blast hits to 34131 proteins in 2444 species: Archae - 798; Bacteria - 22429; Metazoa - 974; Fungi - 991; Plants - 531; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 9610 (source: NCBI BLink). chr4:15248456-15252529 FORWARD LENGTH=2104 | -2.29 | 0.65 | 1.84 |
| AT1G19530 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: N-terminal protein myristoylation, anaerobic respiration; LOCATED IN: cellular_component unknown; EXPRESSED IN: leaf apex, inflorescence meristem, hypocotyl, root, flower; EXPRESSED DURING: petal differentiation and expansion stage; Has 47 Blast hits to 47 proteins in 13 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 47; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr1:6763915-6764971 FORWARD LENGTH=700 | -2.21 | 1.04 | 1.56 |
| AT1G75920 | GDSL-like Lipase/Acylhydrolase superfamily protein chr1:28505554-28507168 FORWARD LENGTH=1106 | -2.04 | 1.68 | 2.28 |
| AT4G08040 | ACS11 1-aminocyclopropane-1-carboxylate synthase 11 chr4:4887112-4888939 FORWARD LENGTH=1383 | -1.54 | 1.14 | 0.99 |
| AT2G18480 | Major facilitator superfamily protein chr2:8009323-8011255 REVERSE LENGTH=1798 | -1.53 | 0.61 | 1.38 |
| AT4G04570 | CRK40 cysteine-rich RLK (RECEPTOR-like protein kinase) 40 chr4:2289959-2292755 FORWARD LENGTH=2089 | -1.53 | 0.37 | 1.84 |
| AT5G10430 | AGP4, ATAGP4 arabinogalactan protein 4 chr5:3277532-3278313 REVERSE LENGTH=782 | -1.52 | 1.11 | 1.85 |
| AT2G21540 | ATSFH3, SFH3 SEC14-like 3 chr2:9220556-9224496 REVERSE LENGTH=2106 | -1.52 | 1.43 | 1.57 |
| AT4G01680 | MYB55 myb domain protein 55 chr4:716021-717415 REVERSE LENGTH=1248 | -1.51 | 1.31 | 1.21 |
| AT5G22940 | F8H FRA8 homolog chr5:7676938-7679179 FORWARD LENGTH=1956 | -1.47 | 0.87 | 0.87 |
| AT5G22820 | ARM repeat superfamily protein chr5:7623440-7626975 REVERSE LENGTH=1997 | -1.47 | 1.46 | 1.59 |
| AT1G67265 | DVL3, RTFL21 ROTUNDIFOLIA like 21 chr1:25175558-25176202 REVERSE LENGTH=645 | -1.43 | 0.42 | 1.17 |
| AT2G46320 | Mitochondrial substrate carrier family protein chr2:19015813-19018230 FORWARD LENGTH=1497 | -1.40 | 1.05 | 1.31 |
| AT5G25760 | PEX4, UBC21 peroxin4 chr5:8967655-8969349 FORWARD LENGTH=745 | -1.39 | 2.06 | 1.78 |
| AT1G10820 | Protein of unknown function (DUF3755) chr1:3600910-3605076 REVERSE LENGTH=1547 | -1.38 | 0.92 | 1.38 |
| AT2G14900 | Gibberellin-regulated family protein chr2:6404175-6405330 FORWARD LENGTH=649 | -1.33 | 0.69 | 1.04 |
| AT1G10550 | XTH33, XET xyloglucan:xyloglucosyl transferase 33 chr1:3479153-3480988 REVERSE LENGTH=1068 | -1.33 | 0.89 | 1.15 |
| AT3G07610 | IBM1 Transcription factor jumonji (jmjC) domain-containing protein chr3:2426148-2432876 FORWARD LENGTH=3084 | -1.32 | 1.75 | 0.85 |
| AT5G66600 | Protein of unknown function, DUF547 chr5:26575000-26578826 REVERSE LENGTH=2461 | -1.31 | 1.71 | 1.33 |
| AT5G17920 | ATCIMS, ATMETS, ATMS1 Cobalamin-independent synthase family protein chr5:5935038-5939487 FORWARD LENGTH=2771 | -1.26 | 1.61 | 1.25 |
| AT1G74670 | Gibberellin-regulated family protein chr1:28053286-28054149 FORWARD LENGTH=654 | -1.25 | 0.63 | 1.29 |

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|------------|---|----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| AT1G11120 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: biological_process unknown; LOCATED IN: cellular_component unknown; EXPRESSED IN: 10 plant structures; EXPRESSED DURING: 4 anthesis, F mature embryo stage, petal differentiation and expansion stage, E expanded cotyledon stage, D bilateral stage; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT4G28170.1); Has 94 Blast hits to 94 proteins in 13 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 94; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr1:3715184-3717320 FORWARD LENGTH=531 | -1.20 | 0.99 | 1.36 |
| AT5G19210 | P-loop containing nucleoside triphosphate hydrolases superfamily protein chr5:6461391-6463866 FORWARD LENGTH=1647 | -1.18 | 0.64 | 2.23 |
| AT4G30180 | sequence-specific DNA binding transcription factors;transcription regulators chr4:14768936-14769648 FORWARD LENGTH=713 | -1.17 | 0.95 | 1.04 |
| AT4G14130 | XTR7, XTH15 xyloglucan endotransglucosylase/hydrolase 15 chr4:8137051-8138281 REVERSE LENGTH=1065 | -1.14 | 0.95 | 0.72 |
| AT2G23760 | BLH4, SAW2 BEL1-like homeodomain 4 chr2:10107709-10113213 REVERSE LENGTH=2386 | -1.13 | 0.28 | 1.81 |
| AT4G32280 | IAA29 indole-3-acetic acid inducible 29 chr4:15583387-15584769 FORWARD LENGTH=989 | -1.13 | 0.60 | 1.44 |
| AT3G53350 | RIP4 ROP interactive partner 4 chr3:19780091-19782680 REVERSE LENGTH=1496 | -1.13 | 0.41 | 1.20 |
| AT2G37550 | ASP1, AGD7 ARF-GAP domain 7 chr2:15755097-15757601 REVERSE LENGTH=1882 | -1.11 | 0.84 | 1.13 |
| AT4G16260 | Glycosyl hydrolase superfamily protein chr4:9200010-9201552 REVERSE LENGTH=1316 | -1.11 | 0.98 | 0.98 |
| AT4G10160 | RING/U-box superfamily protein chr4:6336023-6337332 FORWARD LENGTH=709 | -1.10 | 0.58 | 1.04 |
| AT5G15265 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: biological_process unknown; LOCATED IN: endomembrane system; Has 5 Blast hits to 5 proteins in 3 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 5; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr5:4956501-4957533 FORWARD LENGTH=438 | -1.09 | 0.90 | 0.86 |
| AT5G59780 | MYB59, ATMYB59, ATMYB59-1 myb domain protein 59 chr5:24082197-24083431 REVERSE LENGTH=1128 | -1.09 | 0.53 | 0.92 |
| AT3G29370 | unknown protein; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT5G39240.1); Has 16 Blast hits to 16 proteins in 5 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 16; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr3:11278589-11279108 FORWARD LENGTH=520 | -1.09 | 0.29 | 1.01 |
| AT5G57150 | basic helix-loop-helix (bHLH) DNA-binding superfamily protein chr5:23152186-23154264 FORWARD LENGTH=1827 | -1.07 | 0.99 | 0.70 |
| AT2G44500 | O-fucosyltransferase family protein chr2:18374292-18376790 FORWARD LENGTH=2311 | -1.06 | 0.94 | 0.76 |
| AT2G22122 | unknown protein; Has 35333 Blast hits to 34131 proteins in 2444 species: Archae - 798; Bacteria - 22429; Metazoa - 974; Fungi - 991; Plants - 531; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 9610 (source: NCBI BLink). chr2:9403264-9403808 FORWARD LENGTH=545 | -1.06 | 0.58 | 1.09 |
| AT1G26208 | other RNA chr1:9066636-9068432 REVERSE LENGTH=1499 | -1.06 | 0.66 | 0.63 |
| AT3G61880 | CYP78A9 cytochrome p450 78a9 chr3:22905868-22907958 REVERSE LENGTH=1919 | -1.03 | 1.42 | 2.15 |
| AT4G06701 | other RNA chr4:3939600-3940720 REVERSE LENGTH=511 | -1.03 | 0.49 | 1.13 |
| AT3G58620 | TTL4 tetratricopeptide-repeat thioredoxin-like 4 chr3:21680326-21683135 FORWARD LENGTH=2296 | -1.03 | 0.39 | 0.86 |
| AT3G58120 | ATBZIP61, BZIP61 Basic-leucine zipper (bZIP) transcription factor family protein chr3:21520974-21523327 REVERSE LENGTH=1554 | -1.03 | 0.63 | 0.85 |

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|------------|---|----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| AT5G03120 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: biological_process unknown; LOCATED IN: endomembrane system; EXPRESSED IN: 21 plant structures; EXPRESSED DURING: 13 growth stages; Has 14 Blast hits to 14 proteins in 4 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 14; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr5:733979-734943 FORWARD LENGTH=574 | -1.02 | 0.76 | 0.84 |
| AT3G23050 | IAA7, AXR2 indole-3-acetic acid 7 chr3:8194711-8196514 FORWARD LENGTH=990 | -1.02 | 0.51 | 0.68 |
| AT4G20910 | HEN1, CRM2 double-stranded RNA binding protein-related / DsRBD protein-related chr4:11186084-11190691 REVERSE LENGTH=3125 | -0.99 | 1.60 | 0.83 |
| AT5G02760 | Protein phosphatase 2C family protein chr5:625254-627124 FORWARD LENGTH=1543 | -0.97 | 0.40 | 1.57 |
| AT5G50335 | unknown protein; Has 30201 Blast hits to 17322 proteins in 780 species: Archae - 12; Bacteria - 1396; Metazoa - 17338; Fungi - 3422; Plants - 5037; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 2996 (source: NCBI BLink). chr5:20489094-20489727 REVERSE LENGTH=634 | -0.96 | 0.96 | 0.90 |
| AT5G19810 | Proline-rich extensin-like family protein chr5:6693052-6693801 FORWARD LENGTH=750 | -0.95 | 0.62 | 0.92 |
| AT1G51690 | ATB ALPHA, B ALPHA protein phosphatase 2A 55 kDa regulatory subunit B alpha isoform chr1:19164063-19170446 FORWARD LENGTH=3741 | -0.95 | 0.44 | 1.37 |
| AT5G59010 | Protein kinase protein with tetratricopeptide repeat domain chr5:23820368-23823265 REVERSE LENGTH=1936 | -0.93 | 0.83 | 0.92 |
| AT5G24570 | unknown protein; Has 30201 Blast hits to 17322 proteins in 780 species: Archae - 12; Bacteria - 1396; Metazoa - 17338; Fungi - 3422; Plants - 5037; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 2996 (source: NCBI BLink). chr5:8405681-8406132 REVERSE LENGTH=452 | -0.93 | 0.46 | 0.87 |
| AT2G48020 | Major facilitator superfamily protein chr2:19644100-19647178 FORWARD LENGTH=1765 | -0.92 | 0.89 | 1.03 |
| AT1G09270 | IMPA-4 importin alpha isoform 4 chr1:2994369-2998222 FORWARD LENGTH=2062 | -0.92 | 0.71 | 1.38 |
| AT4G23450 | AIRP1, AtAIRP1 RING/U-box superfamily protein chr4:12240803-12242706 REVERSE LENGTH=1031 | -0.91 | 1.76 | 0.76 |
| AT5G65430 | GRF8, GF14 KAPPA general regulatory factor 8 chr5:26148201-26150342 REVERSE LENGTH=1173 | -0.90 | 0.85 | 1.26 |
| AT4G24275 | Identified as a screen for stress-responsive genes. chr4:12588519-12589062 FORWARD LENGTH=544 | -0.90 | 0.92 | 1.30 |
| AT1G47820 | unknown protein; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT1G47813.1); Has 29 Blast hits to 29 proteins in 9 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 29; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr1:17612038-17612548 FORWARD LENGTH=511 | -0.90 | 0.26 | 1.28 |
| AT3G23030 | IAA2 indole-3-acetic acid inducible 2 chr3:8180768-8181800 REVERSE LENGTH=941 | -0.87 | 1.00 | 1.32 |
| AT5G65390 | AGP7 arabinogalactan protein 7 chr5:26128584-26129338 REVERSE LENGTH=755 | -0.87 | 0.84 | 1.30 |
| AT1G15550 | GA4, ATGA3OX1, GA3OX1 gibberellin 3-oxidase 1 chr1:5344478-5346166 REVERSE LENGTH=1256 | -0.87 | 0.77 | 1.13 |
| AT3G12500 | ATHCHIB, PR3, PR-3, CHI-B, B-CHI, HCHIB basic chitinase chr3:3962382-3963984 REVERSE LENGTH=1127 | -0.87 | 0.74 | 0.98 |
| AT3G02410 | ICME-LIKE2 alpha/beta-Hydrolases superfamily protein chr3:492118-494948 REVERSE LENGTH=1335 | -0.86 | 0.45 | 1.08 |
| AT4G21160 | ZAC Calcium-dependent ARF-type GTPase activating protein family chr4:11284238-11286767 FORWARD LENGTH=1404 | -0.86 | 1.53 | 0.47 |
| AT4G35070 | SBP (S-ribonuclease binding protein) family protein chr4:16694170-16695698 FORWARD LENGTH=1427 | -0.85 | 0.91 | 1.19 |
| AT5G61160 | AACT1 anthocyanin 5-aromatic acyltransferase 1 chr5:24608724-24610304 FORWARD LENGTH=1581 | -0.85 | 0.91 | 0.70 |
| AT2G24300 | Calmodulin-binding protein chr2:10340816-10343736 FORWARD LENGTH=2214 | -0.84 | 1.10 | 1.02 |
| AT2G15130 | Plant basic secretory protein (BSP) family protein chr2:6564945-6566004 FORWARD LENGTH=1060 | -0.84 | 0.39 | 0.96 |
| AT2G28085 | SAUR-like auxin-responsive protein family chr2:11968120-11968620 REVERSE LENGTH=501 | -0.84 | 0.87 | 0.41 |

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|------------|---|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| AT3G50970 | LT130, XERO2 dehydrin family protein chr3:18940777-18941554 FORWARD LENGTH=778 | -0.83 | 0.65 | 0.79 |
| AT1G62770 | Plant invertase/pectin methylesterase inhibitor superfamily protein chr1:23245886-23246890 REVERSE LENGTH=868 | -0.83 | 0.89 | 0.68 |
| AT1G53180 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: biological_process unknown; LOCATED IN: cellular_component unknown; EXPRESSED IN: 13 plant structures; EXPRESSED DURING: 6 growth stages; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT3G15115.1); Has 58 Blast hits to 56 proteins in 22 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 6; Fungi - 4; Plants - 29; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 19 (source: NCBI BLink). chr1:19831441-19832895 FORWARD LENGTH=1386 | -0.83 | 0.81 | 0.99 |
| AT1G52750 | alpha/beta-Hydrolases superfamily protein chr1:19646465-19649261 REVERSE LENGTH=2275 | -0.83 | 1.00 | 1.55 |
| AT1G78970 | LUP1, ATLUP1 lupeol synthase 1 chr1:29703062-29707844 FORWARD LENGTH=2642 | -0.80 | 1.15 | 1.85 |
| AT1G63380 | NAD(P)-binding Rossmann-fold superfamily protein chr1:23505557-23506391 FORWARD LENGTH=709 | -0.79 | 1.99 | 1.52 |
| AT1G28130 | GH3.17 Auxin-responsive GH3 family protein chr1:9825286-9828067 FORWARD LENGTH=2159 | -0.78 | 0.79 | 0.94 |
| AT5G06930 | LOCATED IN: chloroplast; EXPRESSED IN: 15 plant structures; EXPRESSED DURING: 7 growth stages; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: nucleolar protein gar2-related (TAIR:AT2G42320.2); Has 3369 Blast hits to 1526 proteins in 313 species: Archae - 2; Bacteria - 910; Metazoa - 754; Fungi - 336; Plants - 137; Viruses - 11; Other Eukaryotes - 1219 (source: NCBI BLink). chr5:2144999-2148039 FORWARD LENGTH=2502 | -0.77 | 1.06 | 1.26 |
| AT4G32460 | Protein of unknown function, DUF642 chr4:15662266-15664948 REVERSE LENGTH=1257 | -0.77 | 0.96 | 1.52 |
| AT3G62090 | PIL2 phytochrome interacting factor 3-like 2 chr3:22988547-22990709 REVERSE LENGTH=1614 | -0.77 | 0.74 | 1.20 |
| AT1G26440 | ATUPS5, UPS5 ureide permease 5 chr1:9143967-9145987 REVERSE LENGTH=1698 | -0.76 | 0.77 | 1.38 |
| AT3G54030 | Protein kinase protein with tetratricopeptide repeat domain chr3:20010927-20013693 FORWARD LENGTH=1911 | -0.76 | 0.58 | 1.23 |
| AT4G03415 | Protein phosphatase 2C family protein chr4:1503708-1506500 REVERSE LENGTH=1732 | -0.76 | 1.20 | 0.38 |
| AT4G38825 | SAUR-like auxin-responsive protein family chr4:18121526-18122010 FORWARD LENGTH=485 | -0.75 | 0.88 | 1.07 |
| AT5G23210 | SCPL34 serine carboxypeptidase-like 34 chr5:7810855-7815039 FORWARD LENGTH=1848 | -0.75 | 1.22 | 1.44 |
| AT4G04745 | unknown protein; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT4G21902.1); Has 32 Blast hits to 32 proteins in 9 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 32; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr4:2412754-2413328 REVERSE LENGTH=575 | -0.73 | 0.52 | 0.94 |
| AT4G11830 | PLDGAMMA2 phospholipase D gamma 2 chr4:7115736-7121245 REVERSE LENGTH=3820 | -0.72 | 0.95 | 1.41 |
| AT5G12880 | proline-rich family protein chr5:4068519-4068962 REVERSE LENGTH=444 | -0.72 | 1.25 | 0.91 |
| AT1G58460 | unknown protein; Has 35 Blast hits to 35 proteins in 8 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 35; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr1:21721404-21722429 FORWARD LENGTH=534 | -0.70 | 0.91 | 0.79 |
| AT2G10606 | MIR396A MIR396A; miRNA chr2:4142323-4142473 REVERSE LENGTH=151 | -0.70 | 1.03 | 1.21 |
| AT2G29130 | LAC2, ATLAC2 laccase 2 chr2:12524889-12527747 REVERSE LENGTH=2070 | -0.69 | 0.77 | 1.04 |
| AT1G19070 | F-box family protein chr1:6584454-6584705 FORWARD LENGTH=252 | -0.66 | 0.08 | 1.17 |
| AT1G52190 | Major facilitator superfamily protein chr1:19434509-19438971 FORWARD LENGTH=2284 | -0.66 | 0.98 | 0.97 |
| AT1G18400 | BEE1 BR enhanced expression 1 chr1:6331398-6333743 FORWARD LENGTH=1016 | -0.65 | 0.83 | 1.31 |
| AT5G19530 | ACL5 S-adenosyl-L-methionine-dependent methyltransferases superfamily protein chr5:6588958-6591211 REVERSE LENGTH=1358 | -0.65 | 0.27 | 0.96 |

| Identifier | Description | Col-CoLL logFC | CoLL-tgaLL logFC | CoLL-ROXYLL logFC |
|------------|--|----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| AT2G17500 | Auxin efflux carrier family protein chr2:7606784-7609278 FORWARD LENGTH=1638 | -0.65 | 1.46 | 0.22 |
| AT1G33700 | Beta-glucosidase, GBA2 type family protein chr1:12208308-12214182 REVERSE LENGTH=3482 | -0.64 | 0.87 | 0.55 |
| AT2G34410 | O-acetyltransferase family protein chr2:14518406-14522622 FORWARD LENGTH=2391 | -0.64 | 0.11 | 1.03 |
| AT3G43740 | Leucine-rich repeat (LRR) family protein chr3:15644054-15645662 FORWARD LENGTH=946 | -0.64 | 0.34 | 0.91 |
| AT2G42380 | ATBZIP34, BZIP34 Basic-leucine zipper (bZIP) transcription factor family protein chr2:17646900-17648945 REVERSE LENGTH=1556 | -0.64 | 0.79 | 1.22 |
| AT1G67340 | HCP-like superfamily protein with MYND-type zinc finger chr1:25230265-25231840 FORWARD LENGTH=1416 | -0.63 | 0.87 | 0.57 |
| AT1G01060 | LHY, LHY1 Homeodomain-like superfamily protein chr1:33379-37757 REVERSE LENGTH=2517 | -0.63 | 0.80 | 1.55 |
| AT1G78970 | LUP1, ATLUP1 lupeol synthase 1 chr1:29703340-29707844 FORWARD LENGTH=2477 | -0.61 | 1.01 | 1.47 |
| AT3G16360 | AHP4 HPT phosphotransmitter 4 chr3:5554474-5555393 FORWARD LENGTH=420 | -0.61 | 0.76 | 0.94 |
| AT3G62720 | ATXT1, XT1, XXT1 xylosyltransferase 1 chr3:23201156-23202913 FORWARD LENGTH=1660 | -0.60 | 0.44 | 0.93 |
| AT3G63440 | ATCKX6, CKX6, ATCKX7 cytokinin oxidase/dehydrogenase 6 chr3:23424157-23426536 FORWARD LENGTH=2007 | -0.60 | 1.95 | 2.39 |
| AT1G04240 | SHY2, IAA3 AUX/IAA transcriptional regulator family protein chr1:1128188-1129551 REVERSE LENGTH=1178 | -0.59 | 0.70 | 0.98 |
| AT3G18210 | 2-oxoglutarate (2OG) and Fe(II)-dependent oxygenase superfamily protein chr3:6237930-6240605 REVERSE LENGTH=1728 | -0.59 | 0.71 | 1.00 |
| AT5G20730 | NPH4, MSG1, IAA21, ARF7, TIR5, BIP Transcriptional factor B3 family protein / auxin-responsive factor AUX/IAA-related chr5:7016445-7022042 REVERSE LENGTH=4292 | -0.59 | 1.85 | 0.69 |
| AT1G26945 | KDR basic helix-loop-helix (bHLH) DNA-binding superfamily protein chr1:9351454-9352761 FORWARD LENGTH=689 | -0.58 | 0.98 | 2.10 |
| AT3G01472 | CPuORF33 conserved peptide upstream open reading frame 33 chr3:182396-184403 REVERSE LENGTH=1440 | -0.57 | 0.87 | 0.68 |
| AT1G63300 | Myosin heavy chain-related protein chr1:23482193-23486220 FORWARD LENGTH=3243 | -0.56 | 0.99 | 0.93 |
| AT5G54510 | GH3.6, DFL1 Auxin-responsive GH3 family protein chr5:22131093-22133678 REVERSE LENGTH=2181 | -0.56 | 1.18 | 1.52 |
| AT3G12710 | DNA glycosylase superfamily protein chr3:4040324-4041982 REVERSE LENGTH=1341 | -0.56 | 0.72 | 0.95 |
| AT3G28700 | Protein of unknown function (DUF185) chr3:10759559-10762114 FORWARD LENGTH=1717 | -0.55 | 1.17 | 1.19 |
| AT2G14890 | AGP9 arabinogalactan protein 9 chr2:6399621-6401059 FORWARD LENGTH=938 | -0.55 | 0.39 | 0.97 |
| AT4G09890 | Protein of unknown function (DUF3511) chr4:6218396-6218927 FORWARD LENGTH=532 | -0.55 | 0.95 | 0.87 |
| AT1G20190 | ATEXPA11, EXP11, ATEXP11, ATHEXP ALPHA 1.14, EXPA11 expansin 11 chr1:6998489-6999817 REVERSE LENGTH=1139 | -0.55 | 0.68 | 0.97 |
| AT1G37150 | HCS2 holocarboxylase synthetase 2 chr1:14174981-14177302 REVERSE LENGTH=1101 | -0.55 | 1.56 | 0.59 |
| AT5G48560 | basic helix-loop-helix (bHLH) DNA-binding superfamily protein chr5:19684006-19687151 FORWARD LENGTH=1931 | -0.54 | 0.87 | 1.05 |
| AT3G45050 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: biological_process unknown; LOCATED IN: chloroplast; EXPRESSED IN: 22 plant structures; EXPRESSED DURING: 13 growth stages; Has 28 Blast hits to 28 proteins in 12 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 2; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 26; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr3:16475966-16477524 FORWARD LENGTH=951 | -0.53 | 0.65 | 1.50 |
| AT5G42690 | Protein of unknown function, DUF547 chr5:17116428-17119838 REVERSE LENGTH=2102 | -0.53 | 1.41 | 0.53 |
| AT2G45315 | other RNA chr2:18682108-18683810 REVERSE LENGTH=1448 | -0.50 | 0.91 | 0.33 |

| Identifier | Description | Col-COLL logFC | CoLL-tgaLL logFC | CoLL-ROXYLL logFC |
|------------|---|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| AT3G06770 | Pectin lyase-like superfamily protein chr3:2134800-2137228 REVERSE LENGTH=1855 | -0.49 | 0.34 | 1.05 |
| AT3G62720 | ATXT1, XT1, XXT1 xylosyltransferase 1 chr3:23201117-23202907 FORWARD LENGTH=1791 | -0.49 | 0.50 | 0.87 |
| AT4G31000 | Calmodulin-binding protein chr4:15103159-15105979 FORWARD LENGTH=2112 | -0.49 | 0.37 | 0.95 |
| AT4G02330 | ATPMEPCRB Plant invertase/pectin methylesterase inhibitor superfamily chr4:1032413-1035037 FORWARD LENGTH=1897 | -0.48 | 0.62 | 0.89 |
| AT4G38400 | ATEXLA2, EXPL2, ATEXPL2, ATHEXP BETA 2.2, EXLA2 expansin-like A2 chr4:17978443-17979740 REVERSE LENGTH=1105 | -0.47 | 0.60 | 0.90 |
| AT1G19840 | SAUR-like auxin-responsive protein family chr1:6872794-6873255 REVERSE LENGTH=462 | -0.46 | 0.68 | 0.90 |
| AT3G15540 | IAA19, MSG2 indole-3-acetic acid inducible 19 chr3:5264024-5265678 FORWARD LENGTH=970 | -0.46 | 1.13 | 1.37 |
| AT1G61240 | Protein of unknown function (DUF707) chr1:22582024-22585203 FORWARD LENGTH=1674 | -0.46 | 0.25 | 1.05 |
| AT5G61910 | DCD (Development and Cell Death) domain protein chr5:24859878-24864120 REVERSE LENGTH=2899 | -0.46 | 1.23 | 0.31 |
| AT2G38325 | MIR390A, MIR390 MIR390A; miRNA chr2:16061954-16062060 FORWARD LENGTH=107 | -0.46 | 0.59 | 0.92 |
| AT3G25620 | ABC-2 type transporter family protein chr3:9316074-9319571 REVERSE LENGTH=2688 | -0.45 | 1.16 | 1.14 |
| AT1G72880 | Survival protein SurE-like phosphatase/nucleotidase chr1:27423385-27426140 REVERSE LENGTH=1663 | -0.45 | 1.24 | 0.30 |
| AT5G48900 | Pectin lyase-like superfamily protein chr5:19825137-19829092 FORWARD LENGTH=1540 | -0.44 | 0.93 | 1.18 |
| AT4G35900 | FD, FD-1, atbzip14 Basic-leucine zipper (bZIP) transcription factor family protein chr4:17004595-17006287 FORWARD LENGTH=1344 | -0.44 | 1.37 | 0.89 |
| AT2G14890 | AGP9 arabinogalactan protein 9 chr2:6399621-6400982 FORWARD LENGTH=1362 | -0.44 | 0.56 | 0.87 |
| AT4G19880 | Glutathione S-transferase family protein chr4:10784391-10786423 REVERSE LENGTH=1496 | -0.44 | 0.67 | 1.22 |
| AT5G62170 | unknown protein; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT5G51850.1); Has 381 Blast hits to 359 proteins in 81 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 16; Metazoa - 101; Fungi - 21; Plants - 99; Viruses - 3; Other Eukaryotes - 141 (source: NCBI BLINK). chr5:24972977-24975549 REVERSE LENGTH=2324 | -0.43 | 0.92 | 0.98 |
| AT1G27580 | Protein of unknown function (DUF295) chr1:9589933-9591075 REVERSE LENGTH=1095 | -0.43 | 0.56 | 0.90 |
| AT3G45160 | Putative membrane lipoprotein chr3:16533451-16534082 REVERSE LENGTH=549 | -0.43 | 0.88 | 0.52 |
| AT1G64640 | ENODL8, AtENODL8 early nodulin-like protein 8 chr1:24022285-24023196 REVERSE LENGTH=818 | -0.42 | 0.86 | 1.33 |
| AT1G02920 | ATGSTF7, GST11, ATGSTF8, GSTF7, ATGST11 glutathione S-transferase 7 chr1:658657-659771 REVERSE LENGTH=925 | -0.41 | 0.99 | 0.01 |
| AT3G28420 | Putative membrane lipoprotein chr3:10654470-10655388 REVERSE LENGTH=919 | -0.41 | 0.97 | 1.88 |
| AT2G40610 | ATEXPA8, EXP8, ATEXP8, ATHEXP ALPHA 1.11, EXPA8 expansin A8 chr2:16948863-16950557 REVERSE LENGTH=1105 | -0.41 | 1.20 | 1.36 |
| AT1G01120 | KCS1 3-ketoacyl-CoA synthase 1 chr1:57269-59167 REVERSE LENGTH=1899 | -0.41 | 0.89 | 1.04 |
| AT1G11545 | XTH8 xyloglucan endotransglucosylase/hydrolase 8 chr1:3878550-3880361 REVERSE LENGTH=1132 | -0.40 | 0.94 | 1.14 |
| AT4G16745 | Exostosin family protein chr4:9411840-9414897 FORWARD LENGTH=2173 | -0.40 | 1.00 | 0.30 |
| AT2G03140 | alpha/beta-Hydrolases superfamily protein chr2:941912-950034 FORWARD LENGTH=6056 | -0.39 | 1.03 | 1.13 |
| AT1G78040 | Pollen Ole e 1 allergen and extensin family protein chr1:29345838-29347107 FORWARD LENGTH=938 | -0.38 | 0.96 | 0.86 |
| AT3G15605 | nucleic acid binding chr3:5288093-5290941 FORWARD LENGTH=1667 | -0.37 | 1.43 | 0.87 |
| AT4G00820 | iqd17 IQ-domain 17 chr4:349116-351550 FORWARD LENGTH=2032 | -0.34 | 0.83 | 0.97 |
| AT3G49110 | PRX33, PRXCA, ATPRX33, ATPCA peroxidase CA chr3:18200664-18203142 FORWARD LENGTH=1365 | -0.31 | 1.92 | 1.34 |

| Identifier | Description | Col-CoLL logFC | CoLL-tgaLL logFC | CoLL-ROXYLL logFC |
|------------|--|----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| AT5G09220 | AAP2 amino acid permease 2 chr5:2866252-2869054 FORWARD LENGTH=1794 | -0.31 | 1.24 | 1.13 |
| AT3G10580 | Homeodomain-like superfamily protein chr3:3307051-3308233 REVERSE LENGTH=899 | -0.30 | 0.49 | 0.91 |
| AT5G55230 | ATMAP65-1, MAP65-1 microtubule-associated proteins 65-1 chr5:22402028-22405492 FORWARD LENGTH=2217 | -0.27 | 1.04 | 0.38 |
| AT1G78500 | Terpenoid cyclases family protein chr1:29531646-29535177 FORWARD LENGTH=2304 | -0.27 | 0.72 | 0.38 |
| AT3G61160 | Protein kinase superfamily protein chr3:22635881-22638817 FORWARD LENGTH=1848 | -0.26 | -0.26 | 0.95 |
| AT3G27430 | PBB1 N-terminal nucleophile aminohydrolases (Ntn hydrolases) superfamily protein chr3:10152517-10155342 FORWARD LENGTH=1230 | -0.24 | 0.19 | 1.29 |
| AT2G31370 | Basic-leucine zipper (bZIP) transcription factor family protein chr2:13378944-13381523 FORWARD LENGTH=1694 | -0.24 | 1.02 | 0.35 |
| AT3G58810 | MTPA2, ATMTPA2, MTP3, ATMTP3 metal tolerance protein A2 chr3:21749966-21752006 FORWARD LENGTH=2041 | -0.23 | -0.01 | 1.44 |
| AT3G24900 | AtRLP39, RLP39 receptor like protein 39 chr3:9099183-9101837 REVERSE LENGTH=2655 | -0.17 | 0.74 | 0.51 |
| AT3G25710 | BHLH32, ATAIG1, TMO5 basic helix-loop-helix 32 chr3:9369519-9371394 FORWARD LENGTH=1412 | -0.17 | 1.03 | 0.95 |
| AT1G14400 | UBC1, ATUBC1 ubiquitin carrier protein 1 chr1:4927011-4928690 REVERSE LENGTH=995 | -0.14 | 0.20 | 1.30 |
| AT4G34660 | SH3 domain-containing protein chr4:16545197-16548453 REVERSE LENGTH=1595 | -0.10 | 0.73 | 0.35 |
| AT1G70730 | PGM2 Phosphoglucomutase/phosphomannomutase family protein chr1:26668865-26672779 REVERSE LENGTH=1966 | -0.10 | 0.81 | 0.24 |
| AT2G28840 | XBAT31 XB3 ortholog 1 in <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> chr2:12378337-12380742 FORWARD LENGTH=1844 | -0.09 | 0.63 | 0.26 |
| AT3G04720 | PR4, HEL, PR-4 pathogenesis-related 4 chr3:1285524-1286562 REVERSE LENGTH=837 | -0.03 | 0.78 | 0.34 |
| AT5G55390 | EDM2 ENHANCED DOWNY MILDEW 2 chr5:22447966-22454802 REVERSE LENGTH=4258 | 0.04 | 0.26 | 0.58 |
| AT3G26900 | SKL1, ATSKL1 shikimate kinase like 1 chr3:9912209-9914514 REVERSE LENGTH=1038 | 0.06 | 0.91 | 0.78 |
| AT2G29452 | unknown protein; Has 30201 Blast hits to 17322 proteins in 780 species: Archae - 12; Bacteria - 1396; Metazoa - 17338; Fungi - 3422; Plants - 5037; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 2996 (source: NCBI BLink). chr2:12625854-12625985 REVERSE LENGTH=132 | 0.14 | -0.22 | 0.21 |

Table S3 List of 175 genes of cluster 8.

| Identifier | Description | CoLL-tgaLL logFC | CoLL-ROXYLL logFC |
|------------|--|------------------|-------------------|
| AT4G15680 | Thioredoxin superfamily protein chr4:8931652-8932295 FORWARD LENGTH=644 | -4.98 | -4.89 |
| AT1G14250 | GDA1/CD39 nucleoside phosphatase family protein chr1:4868452-4871488 FORWARD LENGTH=1846 | -3.89 | -3.65 |
| AT4G15670 | Thioredoxin superfamily protein chr4:8929179-8929765 FORWARD LENGTH=587 | -3.88 | -3.87 |
| AT4G15700 | Thioredoxin superfamily protein chr4:8937393-8937892 FORWARD LENGTH=500 | -3.60 | -3.79 |
| AT4G01430 | nodulin MtN21 /EamA-like transporter family protein chr4:585598-588029 FORWARD LENGTH=1390 | -3.46 | -3.80 |
| AT4G15690 | Thioredoxin superfamily protein chr4:8934324-8934921 FORWARD LENGTH=598 | -3.28 | -3.24 |
| AT3G14075 | Mono-/di-acylglycerol lipase, N-terminal;Lipase, class 3 chr3:4663602-4666968 REVERSE LENGTH=2305 | -3.25 | -2.51 |
| AT4G15660 | Thioredoxin superfamily protein chr4:8925806-8926310 FORWARD LENGTH=505 | -3.21 | -3.16 |
| AT4G23600 | COR13, JR2 Tyrosine transaminase family protein chr4:12310619-12313212 FORWARD LENGTH=1660 | -2.98 | -2.64 |
| AT1G15380 | Lactoylglutathione lyase / glyoxalase I family protein chr1:5290745-5292535 FORWARD LENGTH=983 | -2.86 | -2.55 |
| AT1G10070 | ATBCAT-2, BCAT-2 branched-chain amino acid transaminase 2 chr1:3288087-3290471 FORWARD LENGTH=1668 | -2.39 | -2.14 |

| Identifier | Description | CoILL-tgaLL logFC | CoILL-ROXYLL logFC |
|------------|---|----------------------|-----------------------|
| AT4G09510 | CINV2 cytosolic invertase 2 chr4:6021164-6023873 REVERSE LENGTH=2032 | -2.33 | -2.18 |
| AT1G66100 | Plant thionin chr1:24605671-24606537 REVERSE LENGTH=674 | -2.32 | -1.75 |
| AT1G71880 | SUC1, ATSUC1 sucrose-proton symporter 1 chr1:27054180-27056341 FORWARD LENGTH=1937 | -2.31 | -2.55 |
| AT4G11320 | Papain family cysteine protease chr4:6887254-6889059 FORWARD LENGTH=1430 | -2.31 | -2.50 |
| AT5G13220 | JAZ10, TIFY9, JAS1 jasmonate-zim-domain protein 10 chr5:4218888-4220700 FORWARD LENGTH=1375 | -2.22 | -1.48 |
| AT4G28040 | nodulin MtN21 /EamA-like transporter family protein chr4:13940601-13942436 FORWARD LENGTH=1462 | -2.18 | -1.69 |
| AT3G62950 | Thioredoxin superfamily protein chr3:23266249-23266934 FORWARD LENGTH=686 | -2.14 | -2.22 |
| AT2G36080 | AP2/B3-like transcriptional factor family protein chr2:15150551-15151575 REVERSE LENGTH=1025 | -2.11 | -1.76 |
| AT2G36080 | AP2/B3-like transcriptional factor family protein chr2:15148259-15151575 REVERSE LENGTH=1252 | -2.05 | -1.54 |
| AT4G26260 | MIOX4 myo-inositol oxygenase 4 chr4:13297803-13300319 FORWARD LENGTH=1266 | -2.04 | -1.70 |
| AT3G09260 | PYK10, PSR3.1, BGLU23, LEB Glycosyl hydrolase superfamily protein chr3:2840477-2843781 REVERSE LENGTH=1806 | -1.99 | -1.57 |
| AT4G17190 | FPS2 farnesyl diphosphate synthase 2 chr4:9648527-9650912 REVERSE LENGTH=1292 | -1.93 | -1.51 |
| AT5G24780 | VSP1, ATVSP1 vegetative storage protein 1 chr5:8507590-8508957 REVERSE LENGTH=1094 | -1.84 | -2.04 |
| AT3G18280 | Bifunctional inhibitor/lipid-transfer protein/seed storage 2S albumin superfamily protein chr3:6267049-6267643 FORWARD LENGTH=595 | -1.82 | -1.76 |
| AT5G44572 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: biological_process unknown; LOCATED IN: endomembrane system; Has 7 Blast hits to 7 proteins in 2 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 7; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr5:17968152-17969563 FORWARD LENGTH=537 | -1.78 | -1.98 |
| AT5G21960 | Integrase-type DNA-binding superfamily protein chr5:7258363-7259308 REVERSE LENGTH=946 | -1.76 | -1.55 |
| AT3G15950 | NAI2 DNA topoisomerase-related chr3:5397569-5402652 REVERSE LENGTH=2461 | -1.75 | -1.46 |
| AT3G30775 | ERD5, PRODH, AT-POX, ATPOX, ATPDH, PRO1 Methylenetetrahydrofolate reductase family protein chr3:12448636-12451248 REVERSE LENGTH=1866 | -1.75 | -1.76 |
| AT4G21450 | PapD-like superfamily protein chr4:11426023-11428343 FORWARD LENGTH=1480 | -1.74 | -1.42 |
| AT2G47750 | GH3.9 putative indole-3-acetic acid-amido synthetase GH3.9 chr2:19560127-19563191 REVERSE LENGTH=2155 | -1.73 | -1.72 |
| AT5G18600 | Thioredoxin superfamily protein chr5:6183258-6183954 REVERSE LENGTH=697 | -1.72 | -1.53 |
| AT5G02260 | ATEXA9, EXP9, ATEXP9, ATHEXP ALPHA 1.10, EXPA9 expansin A9 chr5:463158-465246 FORWARD LENGTH=1249 | -1.72 | -1.24 |
| AT4G15530 | PPDK pyruvate orthophosphate dikinase chr4:8864828-8870861 REVERSE LENGTH=2908 | -1.70 | -1.71 |
| AT5G60100 | PRR3 pseudo-response regulator 3 chr5:24197998-24201364 REVERSE LENGTH=2182 | -1.69 | -1.08 |
| AT3G47340 | ASN1, DIN6, AT-ASN1 glutamine-dependent asparagine synthase 1 chr3:17437884-17441242 REVERSE LENGTH=2299 | -1.68 | -0.78 |
| AT1G33440 | Major facilitator superfamily protein chr1:12127389-12130407 REVERSE LENGTH=2209 | -1.65 | -1.78 |
| AT3G15950 | NAI2 DNA topoisomerase-related chr3:5397569-5402652 REVERSE LENGTH=2575 | -1.64 | -1.74 |
| AT3G44990 | XTR8, ATXTR8, XTH31 xyloglucan endo-transglycosylase-related 8 chr3:16446975-16448764 REVERSE LENGTH=1273 | -1.63 | -1.52 |
| AT5G23810 | AAP7 amino acid permease 7 chr5:8028378-8030163 FORWARD LENGTH=1194 | -1.63 | -1.32 |
| AT3G62930 | Thioredoxin superfamily protein chr3:23261442-23261927 REVERSE LENGTH=486 | -1.61 | -1.49 |
| AT4G24050 | NAD(P)-binding Rossmann-fold superfamily protein chr4:12497055-12500128 FORWARD LENGTH=1698 | -1.59 | -1.56 |
| AT5G11870 | Alkaline phytoceramidase (aPHC) chr5:3825532-3827306 FORWARD LENGTH=1042 | -1.59 | -1.37 |
| AT1G43910 | P-loop containing nucleoside triphosphate hydrolases superfamily protein chr1:16655884-16657658 REVERSE LENGTH=1624 | -1.56 | -1.80 |
| AT1G15380 | Lactoylglutathione lyase / glyoxalase I family protein chr1:5290747-5292535 FORWARD LENGTH=864 | -1.55 | -1.97 |

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| AT2G43820 | GT, UGT74F2, ATSAGT1, SGT1, SAGT1 UDP-glucosyltransferase 74F2 chr2:18152227-18153908 FORWARD LENGTH=1595 | -1.50 | -1.44 |
| AT4G32920 | glycine-rich protein chr4:15887270-15896006 REVERSE LENGTH=4889 | -1.50 | -1.34 |
| AT4G36850 | PQ-loop repeat family protein / transmembrane family protein chr4:17353291-17355891 REVERSE LENGTH=1372 | -1.49 | -1.55 |
| AT4G17470 | alpha/beta-Hydrolases superfamily protein chr4:9742759-9744860 REVERSE LENGTH=1212 | -1.49 | -0.86 |
| AT5G19110 | Eukaryotic aspartyl protease family protein chr5:6411561-6413170 REVERSE LENGTH=1377 | -1.48 | -1.38 |
| AT5G41080 | PLC-like phosphodiesterases superfamily protein chr5:16441808-16443985 FORWARD LENGTH=1408 | -1.46 | -1.13 |
| AT1G24575 | unknown protein; Has 7 Blast hits to 7 proteins in 2 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 7; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr1:8711036-8711528 REVERSE LENGTH=493 | -1.45 | -1.25 |
| AT3G26818 | MIR169M MIR169M; miRNA chr3:9878168-9878379 REVERSE LENGTH=212 | -1.45 | -1.26 |
| AT5G50330 | Protein kinase superfamily protein chr5:20485223-20488684 REVERSE LENGTH=1744 | -1.44 | -1.11 |
| AT5G14420 | RGLG2 RING domain ligase2 chr5:4648111-4651309 REVERSE LENGTH=1882 | -1.44 | -1.12 |
| AT3G18560 | unknown protein; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT1G49000.1); Has 95 Blast hits to 95 proteins in 13 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 95; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr3:6393910-6394785 FORWARD LENGTH=876 | -1.42 | -1.68 |
| AT3G22550 | Protein of unknown function (DUF581) chr3:7991646-7993454 REVERSE LENGTH=1483 | -1.40 | -1.59 |
| AT4G19810 | Glycosyl hydrolase family protein with chitinase insertion domain chr4:10763934-10765753 REVERSE LENGTH=1357 | -1.40 | -1.64 |
| AT3G60160 | ATMRP9, MRP9, ABCC9 multidrug resistance-associated protein 9 chr3:22223803-22229204 REVERSE LENGTH=4556 | -1.38 | -1.17 |
| AT2G29670 | Tetratricopeptide repeat (TPR)-like superfamily protein chr2:12681958-12685087 REVERSE LENGTH=2149 | -1.37 | -1.12 |
| AT5G20250 | DIN10 Raffinose synthase family protein chr5:6833659-6836782 FORWARD LENGTH=2836 | -1.36 | -1.52 |
| AT2G40200 | basic helix-loop-helix (bHLH) DNA-binding superfamily protein chr2:16791098-16792090 FORWARD LENGTH=828 | -1.36 | -1.06 |
| AT1G53160 | SPL4 squamosa promoter binding protein-like 4 chr1:19806419-19807608 FORWARD LENGTH=857 | -1.35 | -1.62 |
| AT1G70700 | JAZ9, TIFY7 TIFY domain/Divergent CCT motif family protein chr1:26654768-26657064 FORWARD LENGTH=1247 | -1.34 | -1.46 |
| AT1G03020 | Thioredoxin superfamily protein chr1:698207-698515 REVERSE LENGTH=309 | -1.33 | -1.37 |
| AT1G50000 | methyltransferases chr1:18515059-18517249 REVERSE LENGTH=1020 | -1.32 | -0.83 |
| AT4G36410 | UBC17 ubiquitin-conjugating enzyme 17 chr4:17201922-17202988 FORWARD LENGTH=631 | -1.31 | -1.30 |
| AT1G20160 | ATSBT5.2 Subtilisin-like serine endopeptidase family protein chr1:6990784-6993972 REVERSE LENGTH=2383 | -1.30 | -1.34 |
| AT1G19180 | TIFY10A jasmonate-zim-domain protein 1 chr1:6622114-6623620 FORWARD LENGTH=1507 | -1.29 | -1.13 |
| AT4G30450 | glycine-rich protein chr4:14886027-14886675 REVERSE LENGTH=649 | -1.29 | -1.24 |
| AT3G22410 | Sec14p-like phosphatidylinositol transfer family protein chr3:7933167-7935808 REVERSE LENGTH=1508 | -1.28 | -1.07 |
| AT1G11080 | scpl31 serine carboxypeptidase-like 31 chr1:3694672-3697808 REVERSE LENGTH=1674 | -1.27 | -0.95 |
| AT4G37520 | Peroxidase superfamily protein chr4:17631657-17633235 FORWARD LENGTH=1203 | -1.27 | -1.11 |
| AT3G32980 | Peroxidase superfamily protein chr3:13526097-13529997 REVERSE LENGTH=1414 | -1.26 | -0.78 |
| AT1G48140 | dolichol-phosphate mannosyltransferase-related chr1:17782042-17784211 FORWARD LENGTH=689 | -1.26 | -0.98 |
| AT1G70700 | TIFY7 TIFY domain/Divergent CCT motif family protein chr1:26654768-26657064 FORWARD LENGTH=1175 | -1.25 | -1.43 |
| AT4G33150 | lysine-ketoglutarate reductase/saccharopine dehydrogenase bifunctional enzyme chr4:15985189-15991538 REVERSE LENGTH=3602 | -1.24 | -0.69 |
| AT5G20250 | DIN10 Raffinose synthase family protein chr5:6833659-6836782 FORWARD LENGTH=2846 | -1.22 | -1.14 |

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| AT3G02140 | TMAC2, AFP4 AFP2 (ABI five-binding protein 2) family protein chr3:385317-386538 REVERSE LENGTH=1222 | -1.22 | -1.26 |
| AT2G34600 | JAZ7, TIFY5B jasmonate-zim-domain protein 7 chr2:14573080-14573856 FORWARD LENGTH=677 | -1.22 | -0.78 |
| AT5G06870 | PGIP2, ATPGIP2 polygalacturonase inhibiting protein 2 chr5:2133918-2135166 FORWARD LENGTH=1166 | -1.21 | -1.14 |
| AT4G38240 | CGL1, CGL, GNTI alpha-1,3-mannosyl-glycoprotein beta-1,2-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase, putative chr4:17931570-17935325 REVERSE LENGTH=1887 | -1.21 | -0.97 |
| AT5G02230 | Haloacid dehalogenase-like hydrolase (HAD) superfamily protein chr5:448105-450654 FORWARD LENGTH=1103 | -1.20 | -0.46 |
| AT3G57520 | AtSIP2, SIP2 seed imbibition 2 chr3:21288765-21293158 REVERSE LENGTH=2699 | -1.20 | -1.28 |
| AT2G24960 | unknown protein; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT4G02210.2); Has 1453 Blast hits to 509 proteins in 26 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 1; Fungi - 39; Plants - 1363; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 50 (source: NCBI BLINK). chr2:10617263-10620034 FORWARD LENGTH=2394 | -1.20 | -0.89 |
| AT5G62890 | Xanthine/uracil permease family protein chr5:25243417-25247377 FORWARD LENGTH=2207 | -1.18 | -0.82 |
| AT5G04770 | ATCAT6, CAT6 cationic amino acid transporter 6 chr5:1379068-1382419 FORWARD LENGTH=1917 | -1.17 | -0.84 |
| AT5G54080 | HGO homogentisate 1,2-dioxygenase chr5:21945869-21948285 FORWARD LENGTH=1652 | -1.17 | -0.89 |
| AT1G61810 | BGLU45 beta-glucosidase 45 chr1:22830015-22834728 FORWARD LENGTH=1696 | -1.17 | -0.84 |
| AT3G26815 | MIR169K MIR169K; miRNA chr3:9875525-9875737 REVERSE LENGTH=213 | -1.16 | -0.95 |
| AT5G59080 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular function unknown; INVOLVED IN: response to oxidative stress; LOCATED IN: chloroplast; EXPRESSED IN: 18 plant structures; EXPRESSED DURING: 9 growth stages; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT3G46880.1); Has 1807 Blast hits to 1807 proteins in 277 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 736; Fungi - 347; Plants - 385; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 339 (source: NCBI BLINK). chr5:23847405-23848557 REVERSE LENGTH=848 | -1.16 | -0.88 |
| AT4G24230 | ACBP3 acyl-CoA-binding domain 3 chr4:12566861-12568770 REVERSE LENGTH=1372 | -1.16 | -0.83 |
| AT3G57520 | AtSIP2, SIP2 seed imbibition 2 chr3:21288765-21293158 REVERSE LENGTH=2727 | -1.15 | -1.19 |
| AT4G35770 | SEN1, ATSEN1, DIN1 Rhodanese/Cell cycle control phosphatase superfamily protein chr4:16944941-16946192 FORWARD LENGTH=894 | -1.14 | -1.05 |
| AT2G15880 | Leucine-rich repeat (LRR) family protein chr2:6918039-6920319 REVERSE LENGTH=2184 | -1.14 | -1.08 |
| AT1G80050 | APT2, ATAPT2, PHT1.1 adenine phosphoribosyl transferase 2 chr1:30111514-30113324 REVERSE LENGTH=836 | -1.14 | -1.26 |
| AT5G05600 | 2-oxoglutarate (2OG) and Fe(II)-dependent oxygenase superfamily protein chr5:1672120-1674739 FORWARD LENGTH=1399 | -1.13 | -1.10 |
| AT2G47180 | AtGolS1, GolS1 galactinol synthase 1 chr2:19368798-19370441 REVERSE LENGTH=1355 | -1.13 | -0.96 |
| AT3G28220 | TRAF-like family protein chr3:10524404-10526728 FORWARD LENGTH=1360 | -1.13 | -0.87 |
| AT1G02610 | RING/FYVE/PHD zinc finger superfamily protein chr1:553050-555994 REVERSE LENGTH=937 | -1.12 | -1.15 |
| AT3G18780 | ACT2, DER1, LSR2, ENL2 actin 2 chr3:6474871-6477204 FORWARD LENGTH=1813 | -1.11 | -0.72 |
| AT4G37530 | Peroxidase superfamily protein chr4:17634784-17636288 FORWARD LENGTH=1131 | -1.11 | -0.98 |
| AT3G47340 | ASN1, DIN6, AT-ASN1 glutamine-dependent asparagine synthase 1 chr3:17437884-17441242 REVERSE LENGTH=2380 | -1.11 | -0.98 |
| AT3G25780 | AOC3 allene oxide cyclase 3 chr3:9409290-9410567 FORWARD LENGTH=1007 | -1.10 | -0.92 |
| AT3G15270 | SPL5 squamosa promoter binding protein-like 5 chr3:5140365-5141348 REVERSE LENGTH=897 | -1.10 | -0.75 |
| AT1G49320 | ATUSPL1, USPL1 unknown seed protein like 1 chr1:18246305-18247992 FORWARD LENGTH=1154 | -1.10 | -0.97 |
| AT1G31770 | ABCG14 ATP-binding cassette 14 chr1:11374893-11377794 REVERSE LENGTH=2456 | -1.09 | -1.12 |

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| AT4G19820 | Glycosyl hydrolase family protein with chitinase insertion domain chr4:10767436-10768614 REVERSE LENGTH=1101 | -1.09 | -0.92 |
| AT3G16470 | JR1 Mannose-binding lectin superfamily protein chr3:5595929-5598027 REVERSE LENGTH=1593 | -1.08 | -0.99 |
| AT5G05860 | UGT76C2 UDP-glucosyl transferase 76C2 chr5:1765507-1767455 FORWARD LENGTH=1498 | -1.08 | -0.98 |
| AT5G22000 | RHF2A RING-H2 group F2A chr5:7277322-7280255 FORWARD LENGTH=1729 | -1.08 | -0.66 |
| AT1G17380 | JAZ5, TIFY11A jasmonate-zim-domain protein 5 chr1:5955488-5957212 REVERSE LENGTH=1133 | -1.07 | -0.86 |
| AT5G23350 | GRAM domain-containing protein / ABA-responsive protein-related chr5:7858253-7859387 REVERSE LENGTH=1135 | -1.07 | -0.94 |
| AT1G30110 | NUDX25 nudix hydrolase homolog 25 chr1:10581735-10583949 FORWARD LENGTH=847 | -1.07 | -1.09 |
| AT5G23820 | MD-2-related lipid recognition domain-containing protein chr5:8031268-8033020 FORWARD LENGTH=824 | -1.05 | -1.16 |
| AT2G28120 | Major facilitator superfamily protein chr2:11985687-11987738 FORWARD LENGTH=2052 | -1.04 | -0.99 |
| AT1G51620 | Protein kinase superfamily protein chr1:19140130-19141787 FORWARD LENGTH=1344 | -1.03 | -1.15 |
| AT4G20860 | FAD-binding Berberine family protein chr4:11172622-11174467 FORWARD LENGTH=1846 | -1.03 | -0.61 |
| AT2G29995 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: biological_process unknown; LOCATED IN: endomembrane system; EXPRESSED IN: 15 plant structures; EXPRESSED DURING: 6 growth stages; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT1G07175.1); Has 14 Blast hits to 14 proteins in 3 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 14; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr2:12796907-12799419 REVERSE LENGTH=522 | -1.03 | -0.63 |
| AT3G27110 | Peptidase family M48 family protein chr3:9997895-10000230 FORWARD LENGTH=1395 | -1.01 | -0.59 |
| AT2G34930 | disease resistance family protein / LRR family protein chr2:14737066-14739904 REVERSE LENGTH=2839 | -1.01 | -0.66 |
| AT5G49830 | EXO84B exocyst complex component 84B chr5:20250486-20255039 REVERSE LENGTH=3035 | -1.01 | -1.05 |
| AT5G25770 | alpha/beta-Hydrolases superfamily protein chr5:8969215-8972125 REVERSE LENGTH=1597 | -1.00 | -0.82 |
| AT2G22860 | ATPSK2, PSK2 phytosulfokine 2 precursor chr2:9737607-9738298 FORWARD LENGTH=544 | -1.00 | -0.81 |
| AT2G29450 | ATGSTU5, ATGSTU1, AT103-1A, GSTU5 glutathione S-transferase tau 5 chr2:12624586-12625637 REVERSE LENGTH=934 | -0.99 | -0.99 |
| AT1G35910 | TPPD Haloacid dehalogenase-like hydrolase (HAD) superfamily protein chr1:13363003-13365060 REVERSE LENGTH=1402 | -0.98 | -0.78 |
| AT1G53160 | SPL4 squamosa promoter binding protein-like 4 chr1:19806421-19807301 FORWARD LENGTH=803 | -0.98 | -0.51 |
| AT1G21050 | Protein of unknown function, DUF617 chr1:7366775-7367678 FORWARD LENGTH=904 | -0.98 | -0.84 |
| AT5G20250 | DIN10 Raffinose synthase family protein chr5:6833659-6836782 FORWARD LENGTH=2753 | -0.98 | -0.60 |
| AT1G33055 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: anaerobic respiration; LOCATED IN: endomembrane system; EXPRESSED IN: 13 plant structures; EXPRESSED DURING: 6 growth stages; Has 20 Blast hits to 20 proteins in 8 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 0; Metazoa - 0; Fungi - 0; Plants - 20; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 0 (source: NCBI BLink). chr1:11971308-11972578 REVERSE LENGTH=1271 | -0.97 | -0.64 |
| AT1G07175 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: biological_process unknown; LOCATED IN: endomembrane system; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT2G29995.1); Has 30201 Blast hits to 17322 proteins in 780 species: Archae - 12; Bacteria - 1396; Metazoa - 17338; Fungi - 3422; Plants - 5037; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 2996 (source: NCBI BLink). chr1:2202330-2202774 FORWARD LENGTH=268 | -0.97 | -1.09 |
| AT4G02550 | unknown protein; BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT4G02210.2); Has 35333 Blast hits to 34131 proteins in 2444 species: Archae - 798; Bacteria - 22429; Metazoa - 974; Fungi - 991; Plants - 531; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 9610 (source: NCBI BLink). chr4:1120421-1121725 REVERSE LENGTH=1221 | -0.97 | -0.66 |
| AT3G14850 | TBL41 TRICHOME BIREFRINGENCE-LIKE 41 chr3:4996448-4997693 FORWARD LENGTH=988 | -0.96 | -0.80 |

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| AT4G24120 | YSL1, ATYSL1 YELLOW STRIPE like 1 chr4:12524491-12527341 FORWARD LENGTH=2430 | -0.95 | -0.61 |
| AT1G61610 | S-locus lectin protein kinase family protein chr1:22733472-22736509 FORWARD LENGTH=2529 | -0.95 | -0.95 |
| AT2G21500 | RING/U-box superfamily protein chr2:9207549-9210231 REVERSE LENGTH=1817 | -0.95 | -0.92 |
| AT1G45145 | ATTRX5, ATH5, LIV1, TRX5 thioredoxin H-type 5 chr1:17074942-17076330 REVERSE LENGTH=753 | -0.94 | -0.89 |
| AT5G05440 | PYL5, RCAR8 Polyketide cyclase/dehydrase and lipid transport superfamily protein chr5:1609250-1610446 FORWARD LENGTH=1197 | -0.93 | -0.71 |
| AT4G18440 | L-Aspartase-like family protein chr4:10186131-10188909 REVERSE LENGTH=1942 | -0.93 | -0.95 |
| AT5G60410 | ATSIZ1, SIZ1 DNA-binding protein with MIZ/SP-RING zinc finger, PHD-finger and SAP domain chr5:24294890-24301091 FORWARD LENGTH=3154 | -0.93 | -0.74 |
| AT2G06050 | OPR3 oxophytodienoate-reductase 3 chr2:2359240-2362118 REVERSE LENGTH=1233 | -0.93 | -0.96 |
| AT1G03090 | MCCA methylcrotonyl-CoA carboxylase alpha chain, mitochondrial / 3-methylcrotonyl-CoA carboxylase 1 (MCCA) chr1:739679-744184 FORWARD LENGTH=2606 | -0.93 | -0.70 |
| AT5G65140 | TPPJ Haloacid dehalogenase-like hydrolase (HAD) superfamily protein chr5:26020410-26022222 REVERSE LENGTH=1124 | -0.92 | -0.81 |
| AT5G56870 | BGAL4 beta-galactosidase 4 chr5:23004196-23008649 FORWARD LENGTH=2502 | -0.92 | -0.65 |
| AT3G10915 | Reticulon family protein chr3:3415975-3417788 REVERSE LENGTH=1201 | -0.92 | -0.70 |
| AT5G55100 | SWAP (Suppressor-of-White-APricot)/surp domain-containing protein chr5:22361102-22364759 REVERSE LENGTH=2806 | -0.92 | -0.60 |
| AT1G63530 | BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: hydroxyproline-rich glycoprotein family protein (TAIR:AT1G63540.1); Has 10212 Blast hits to 4024 proteins in 434 species: Archae - 1; Bacteria - 1259; Metazoa - 3608; Fungi - 2247; Plants - 291; Viruses - 90; Other Eukaryotes - 2716 (source: NCBI BLink). chr1:23563315-23565555 FORWARD LENGTH=1925 | -0.92 | -0.79 |
| AT3G21510 | AHP1 histidine-containing phosphotransmitter 1 chr3:7578175-7579599 REVERSE LENGTH=784 | -0.91 | -0.84 |
| AT3G17712 | unknown protein; FUNCTIONS IN: molecular_function unknown; INVOLVED IN: biological_process unknown; LOCATED IN: cellular_component unknown; CONTAINS InterPro DOMAIN/s: Protein_of_unknown_function DUF1740 (InterPro:IPRO13633); BEST <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> protein match is: unknown protein (TAIR:AT3G17740.1). chr3:6056870-6060287 FORWARD LENGTH=2653 | -0.91 | -0.61 |
| AT1G11925 | Stigma-specific Stig1 family protein chr1:4025930-4026732 REVERSE LENGTH=803 | -0.91 | -1.09 |
| AT2G19800 | MIOX2 myo-inositol oxygenase 2 chr2:8530896-8533508 REVERSE LENGTH=1318 | -0.90 | -0.90 |
| AT5G17650 | glycine/proline-rich protein chr5:5816698-5818347 REVERSE LENGTH=993 | -0.90 | -0.71 |
| AT3G48390 | MA3 domain-containing protein chr3:17920815-17923496 FORWARD LENGTH=2344 | -0.90 | -0.92 |
| AT1G19230 | Riboflavin synthase-like superfamily protein chr1:6644189-6649375 FORWARD LENGTH=3007 | -0.90 | -0.54 |
| AT3G47490 | HNH endonuclease chr3:17498337-17499301 FORWARD LENGTH=965 | -0.89 | -1.05 |
| AT3G22640 | PAP85 cupin family protein chr3:8011724-8013902 REVERSE LENGTH=1658 | -0.89 | -0.77 |
| AT5G49520 | WRKY48, ATWRKY48 WRKY DNA-binding protein 48 chr5:20090776-20093346 FORWARD LENGTH=1793 | -0.89 | -0.48 |
| AT1G21140 | Vacuolar iron transporter (VIT) family protein chr1:7404383-7405281 FORWARD LENGTH=899 | -0.89 | -0.82 |
| AT2G07680 | ATMRP11, MRP11, ABCC13 multidrug resistance-associated protein 11 chr2:3514745-3522491 FORWARD LENGTH=4244 | -0.89 | -0.85 |
| AT4G08300 | nodulin MtN21 /EamA-like transporter family protein chr4:5244891-5248342 FORWARD LENGTH=1444 | -0.89 | -0.97 |
| AT4G27450 | Aluminium induced protein with YGL and LRDR motifs chr4:13727484-13728886 REVERSE LENGTH=1137 | -0.89 | -1.00 |
| AT1G65120 | Ubiquitin carboxyl-terminal hydrolase-related protein chr1:24191348-24196073 REVERSE LENGTH=3719 | -0.89 | -0.57 |
| AT1G64500 | Glutaredoxin family protein chr1:23953233-23954492 FORWARD LENGTH=1260 | -0.88 | -0.53 |

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| AT1G61120 | TPS04, GES, TPS4 terpene synthase 04 chr1:22523637-22528811 FORWARD LENGTH=2899 | -0.88 | -0.67 |
| AT5G56100 | glycine-rich protein / oleosin chr5:22717115-22717751 FORWARD LENGTH=637 | -0.88 | -1.00 |
| AT4G33770 | Inositol 1,3,4-trisphosphate 5/6-kinase family protein chr4:16193422-16195357 REVERSE LENGTH=1183 | -0.87 | -0.70 |
| AT3G26816 | MIR169L MIR169L; miRNA chr3:9875893-9876103 REVERSE LENGTH=211 | -0.84 | -1.05 |
| AT5G13220 | JAZ10, TIFY9, JAS1 jasmonate-zim-domain protein 10 chr5:4218888-4220767 FORWARD LENGTH=1025 | -0.84 | -0.69 |
| AT2G41640 | Glycosyltransferase family 61 protein chr2:17360486-17363788 FORWARD LENGTH=2496 | -0.84 | -0.60 |
| AT5G18170 | GDH1 glutamate dehydrogenase 1 chr5:6006039-6008472 FORWARD LENGTH=1593 | -0.83 | -0.86 |
| AT5G16370 | AAE5 acyl activating enzyme 5 chr5:5356605-5358511 REVERSE LENGTH=1907 | -0.82 | -0.88 |
| AT4G39780 | Integrase-type DNA-binding superfamily protein chr4:18457957-18459180 REVERSE LENGTH=1224 | -0.81 | -0.89 |
| AT1G66783 | MIR157A MIR157A; miRNA chr1:24913206-24913296 REVERSE LENGTH=91 | -0.81 | -1.11 |
| AT4G33770 | Inositol 1,3,4-trisphosphate 5/6-kinase family protein chr4:16193422-16196428 REVERSE LENGTH=1529 | -0.79 | -0.84 |
| AT4G38470 | ACT-like protein tyrosine kinase family protein chr4:17999432-18003681 FORWARD LENGTH=1858 | -0.79 | -0.65 |
| AT1G12780 | UGE1, ATUGE1 UDP-D-glucose/UDP-D-galactose 4-epimerase 1 chr1:4355926-4358328 REVERSE LENGTH=1462 | -0.77 | -0.76 |
| AT3G06125 | other RNA chr3:1848883-1850596 FORWARD LENGTH=513 | -0.76 | -0.89 |
| AT3G06125 | other RNA chr3:1848848-1849332 FORWARD LENGTH=485 | -0.76 | -0.76 |
| AT5G26200 | Mitochondrial substrate carrier family protein chr5:9157142-9158404 FORWARD LENGTH=1263 | -0.76 | -0.72 |
| AT2G39570 | ACT domain-containing protein chr2:16507896-16510198 FORWARD LENGTH=1760 | -0.75 | -0.59 |
| AT3G01850 | Aldolase-type TIM barrel family protein chr3:299987-302038 REVERSE LENGTH=1056 | -0.74 | -0.63 |
| AT1G49130 | B-box type zinc finger protein with CCT domain chr1:18174741-18176022 REVERSE LENGTH=1171 | -0.74 | -0.70 |
| AT1G62480 | Vacuolar calcium-binding protein-related chr1:23128705-23129759 FORWARD LENGTH=764 | -0.73 | -0.50 |
| AT5G57655 | xylose isomerase family protein chr5:23346760-23350039 FORWARD LENGTH=1938 | -0.73 | -0.63 |
| AT5G10030 | TGA4, OBF4 TGACG motif-binding factor 4 chr5:3137323-3140252 REVERSE LENGTH=1675 | -0.73 | -0.65 |
| AT5G30490 | CONTAINS InterPro DOMAIN/s: Craniofacial development protein 1/Bucentaur (InterPro:IPR011421); Has 333 Blast hits to 324 proteins in 149 species: Archae - 0; Bacteria - 18; Metazoa - 117; Fungi - 96; Plants - 49; Viruses - 0; Other Eukaryotes - 53 (source: NCBI BLINK). chr5:11611983-11614530 FORWARD LENGTH=1050 | -0.72 | -0.55 |

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