

Using RNA-seq to identify new genes regulating a developmental process;
experience from underground and above ground plant biology.

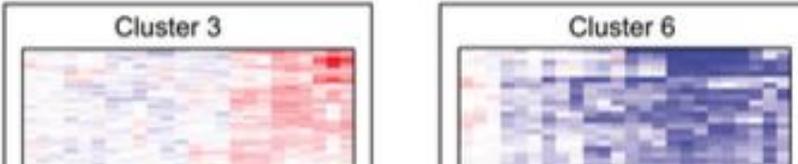
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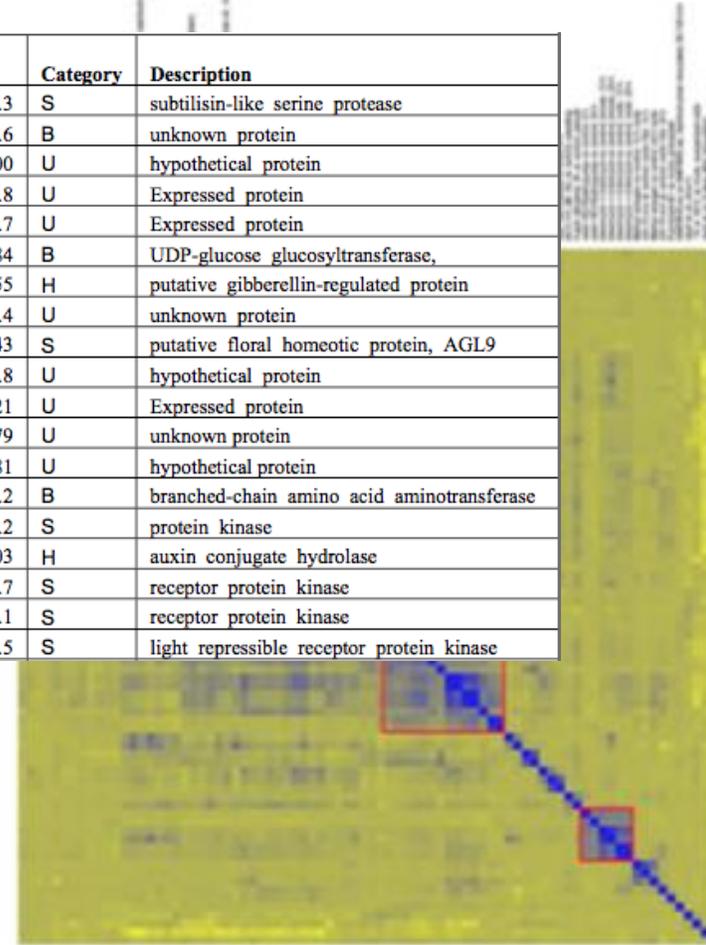
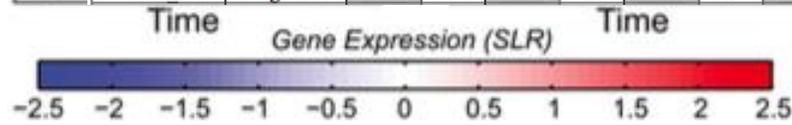
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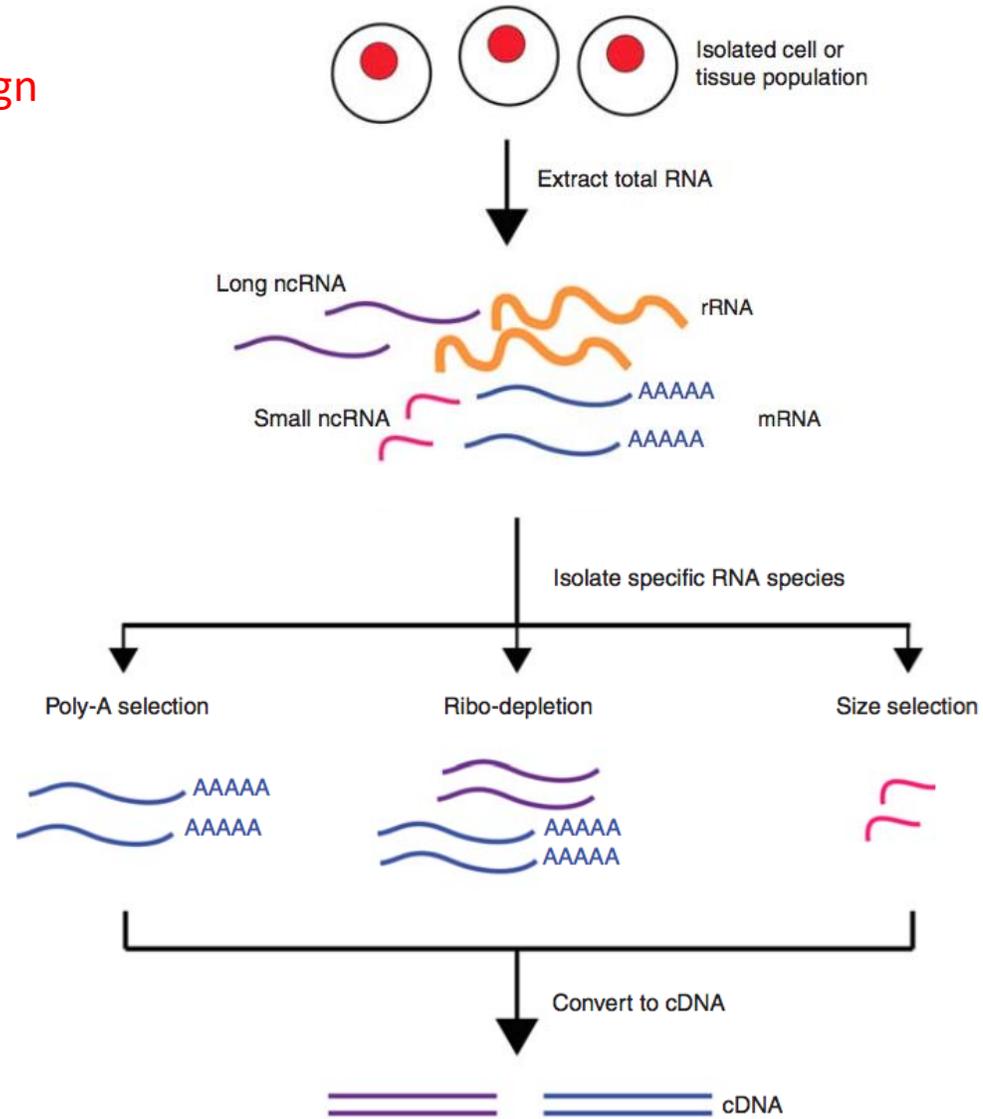
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264525 at	Atlg10060	116.7	40.5	316.2	13.6	89.93	8.97	325	20.6	B	unknown protein
264434 at	Atlg10340	150.6	59.4	142.9	34.5	177.4	30.4	1667	100	U	hypothetical protein
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261934 at	Atlg22400	286.3	66.2	221.8	28.5	277.7	39.8	1533	184	B	UDP-glucose glucosyltransferase,
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263032 at	Atlg23850	447.1	22.4	274.5	26.8	278.2	34.5	1168	79.4	U	unknown protein
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256178 s at	Atlg51780	417.5	92.5	346.4	12.6	326.1	32	1215	103	H	auxin conjugate hydrolase
256170 at	Atlg51790	140.6	25.6	186.6	29.1	133	12.8	440	10.7	S	receptor protein kinase
256169 at	Atlg51800	196.6	31.6	203.8	22.1	203.8	17.6	759	83.1	S	receptor protein kinase
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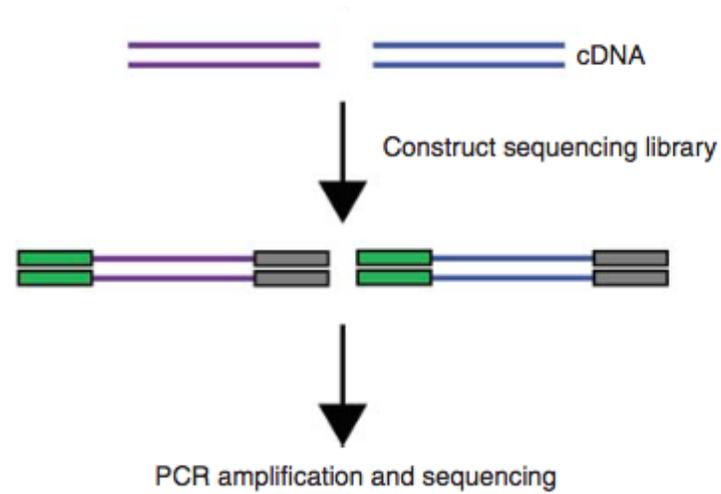
Overview of RNA-seq transcriptional profiling

Experimental Design



Overview of RNA-seq transcriptional profiling

Sequencing



PCR amplification and sequencing



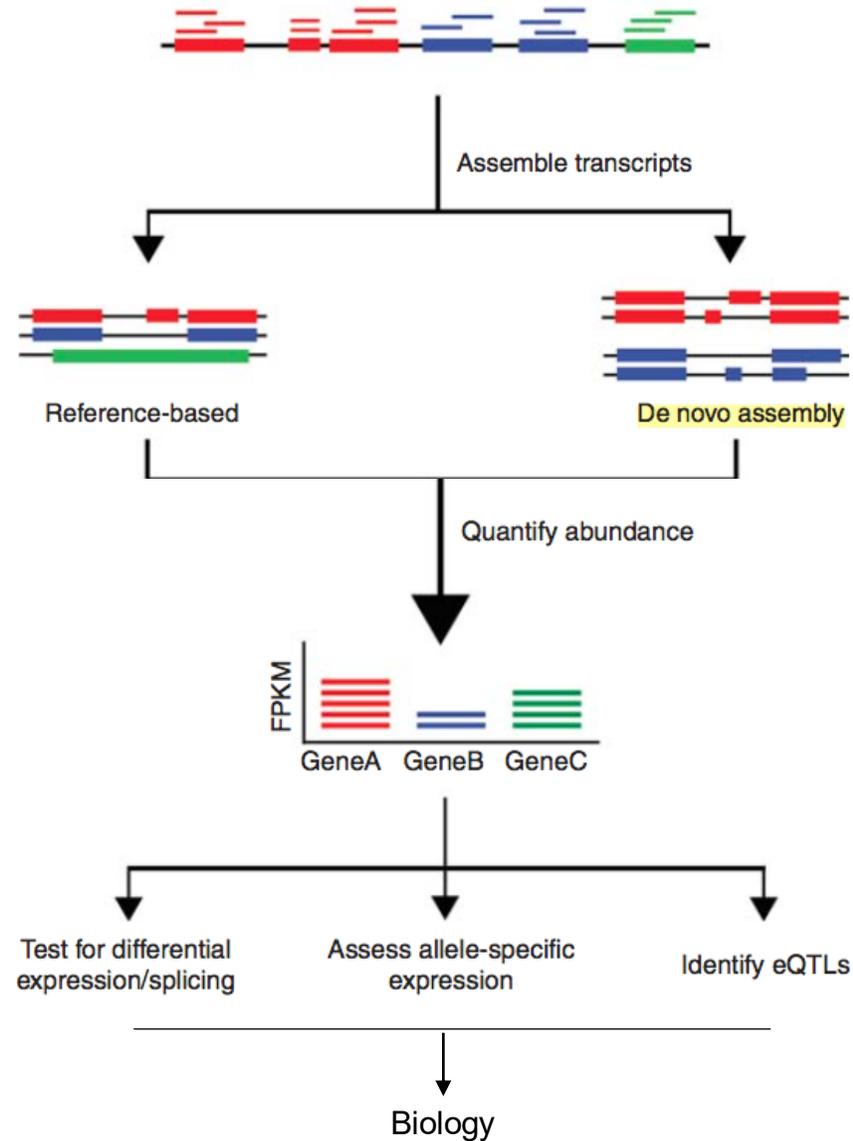
Sequencing reads

Data management

Align reads to genome



Overview of RNA-seq transcriptional profiling

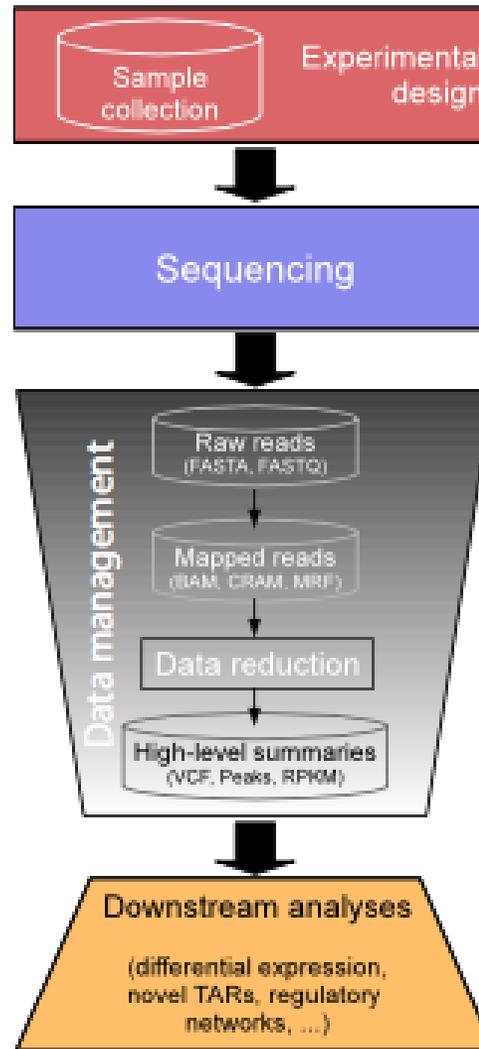


Data reduction

Downstream data analysis

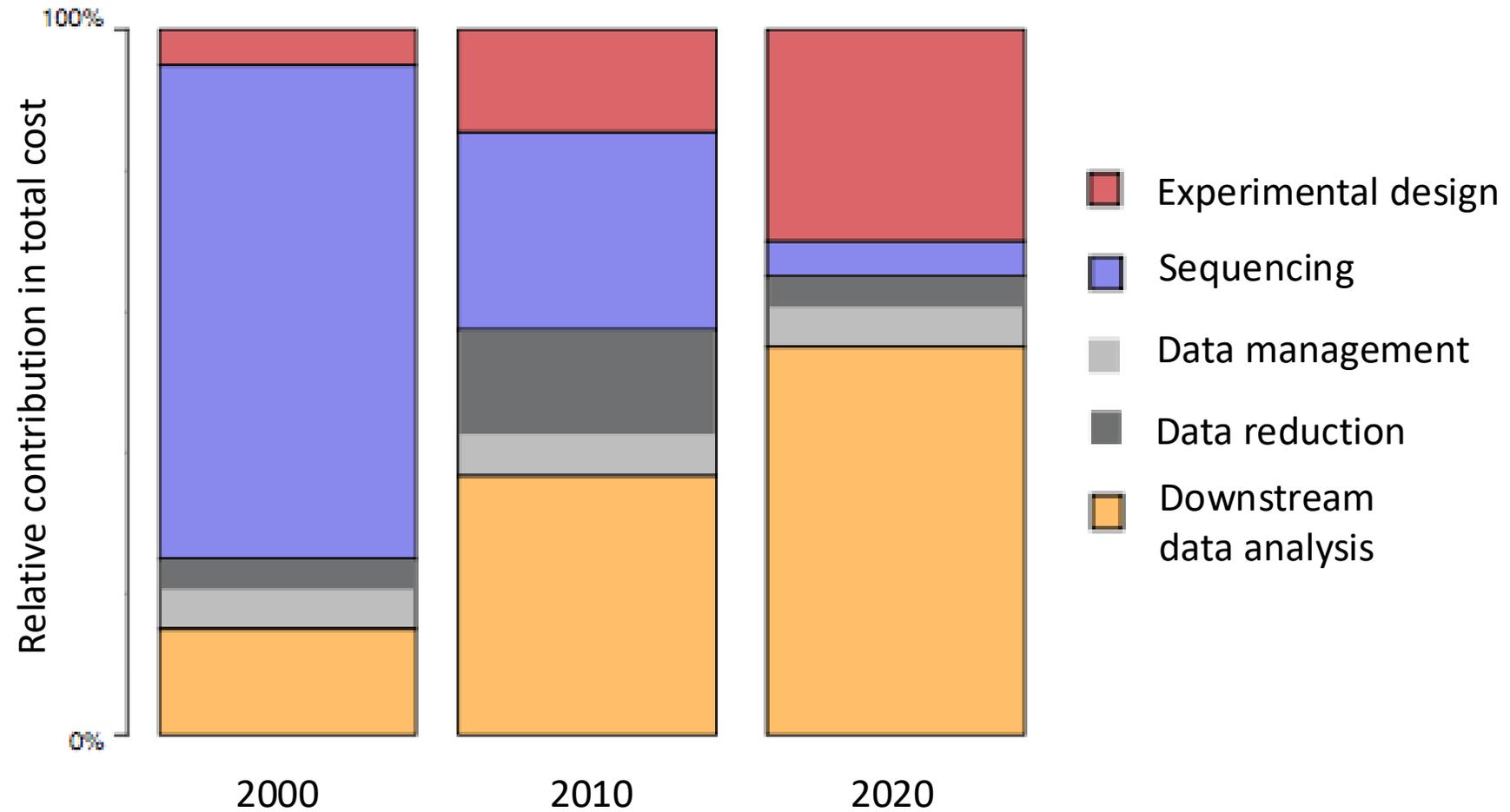
Summarized overview of \ transcriptional profiling

The four main steps in RNA-seq transcriptional profiling



Key steps in RNA-seq; experimental design and data analysis

The gap between "data generation" and "knowledge generation"



To detect new candidate genes regulating specific biological phenomena

Considerations on experimental design and data analysis

Increase successful further biological evaluation of the candidate genes

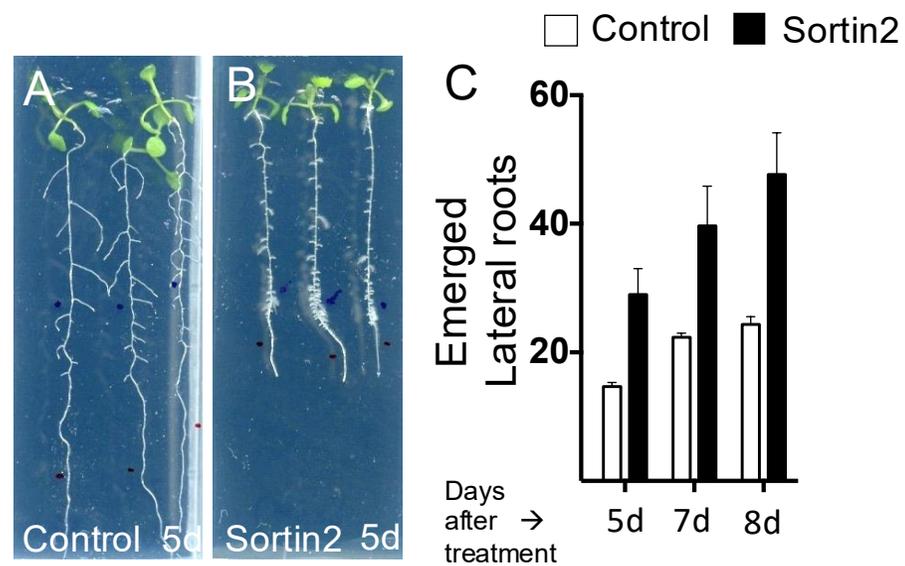
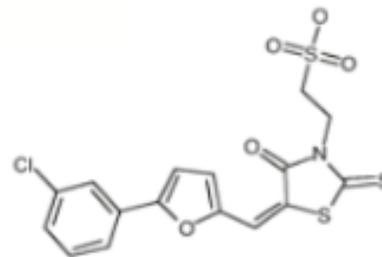
Two specific studies on cell specification

- Lateral root development
- Pavement cell formation



Experimental design and data analysis on
lateral root development

Sortin2 induces lateral roots in *A thaliana*

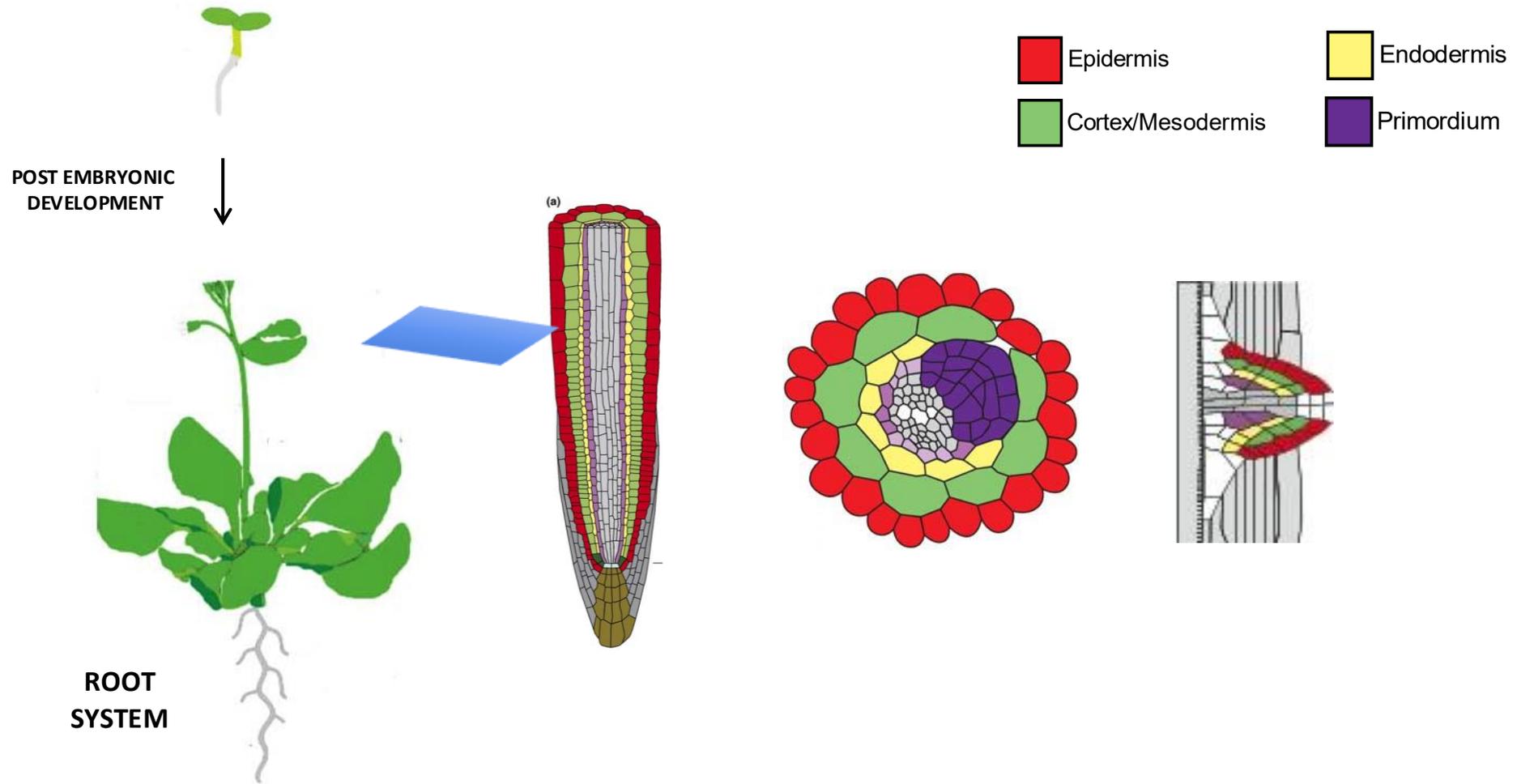


Increased number of emerged lateral roots is observed in prolonged Sortin2 treatments

(A-B) 7-day old seedlings of *Arabidopsis* wild type Col-0 were treated during 5 days in solid medium with (A) Control (DMSO 1%) and (B) Sortin2 (25 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$).

(C) Quantification of emerged lateral roots of seedlings treated as in A-B.

Root system architecture largely relies on the continuous process of lateral root initiation



Auxin is a key regulator of lateral root development

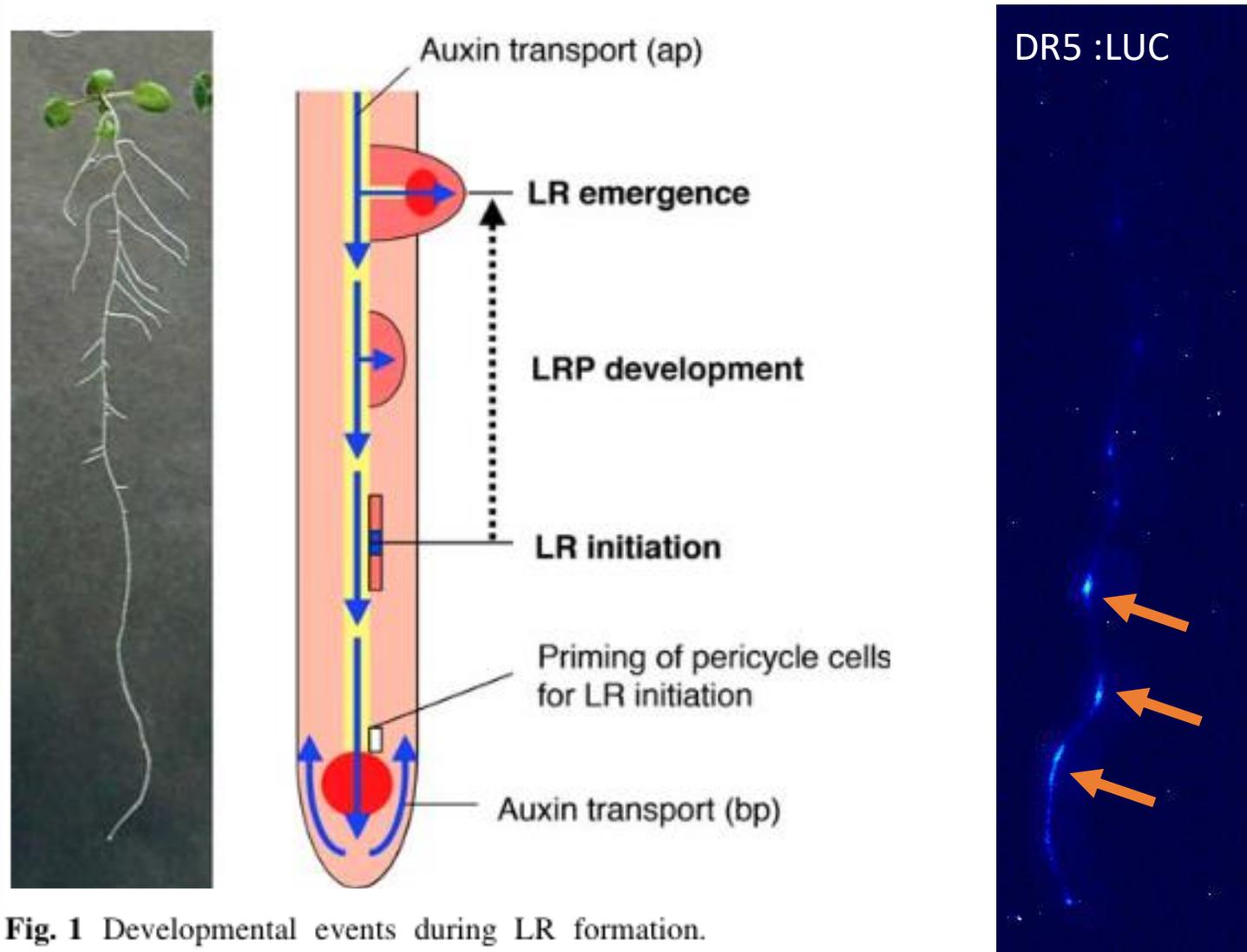
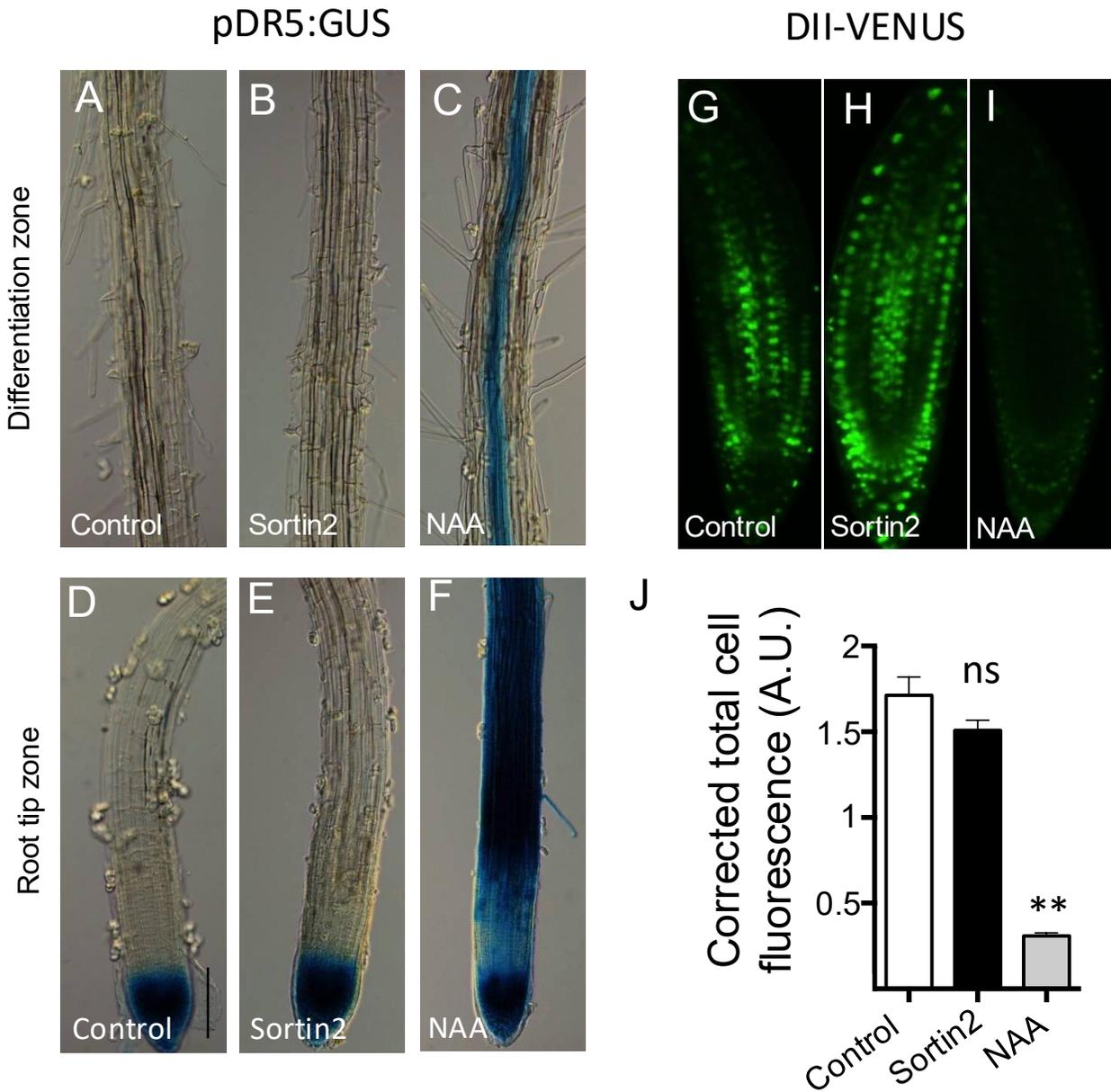


Fig. 1 Developmental events during LR formation.

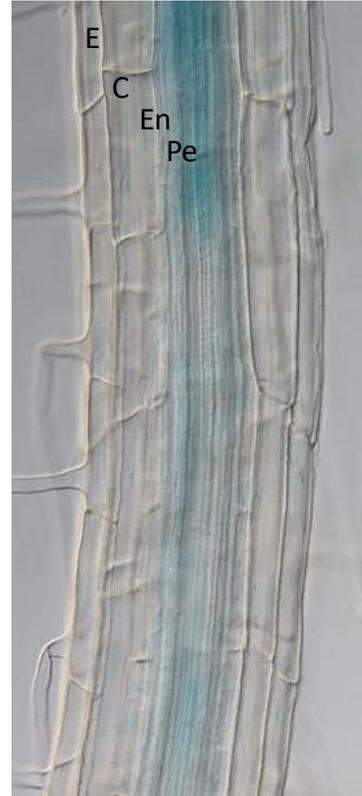
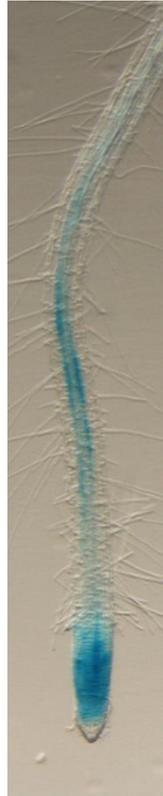
Sortin2 and auxin signaling

Comparative condition

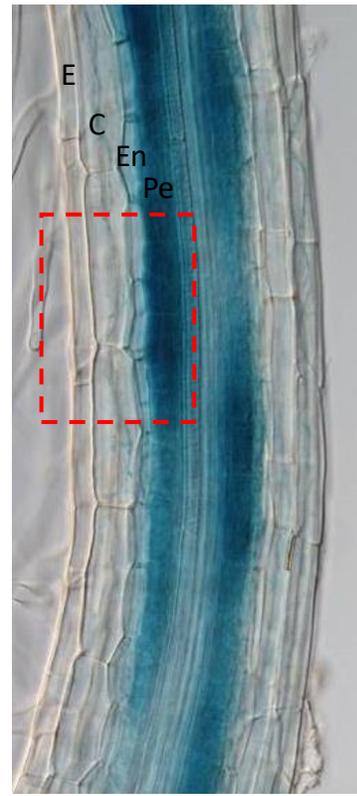
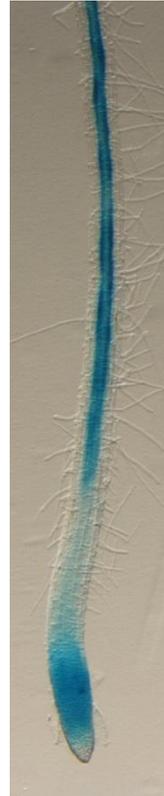


Sortin2 induces mitotic activity specifically on pericycle cells

Sortin2 -12 h

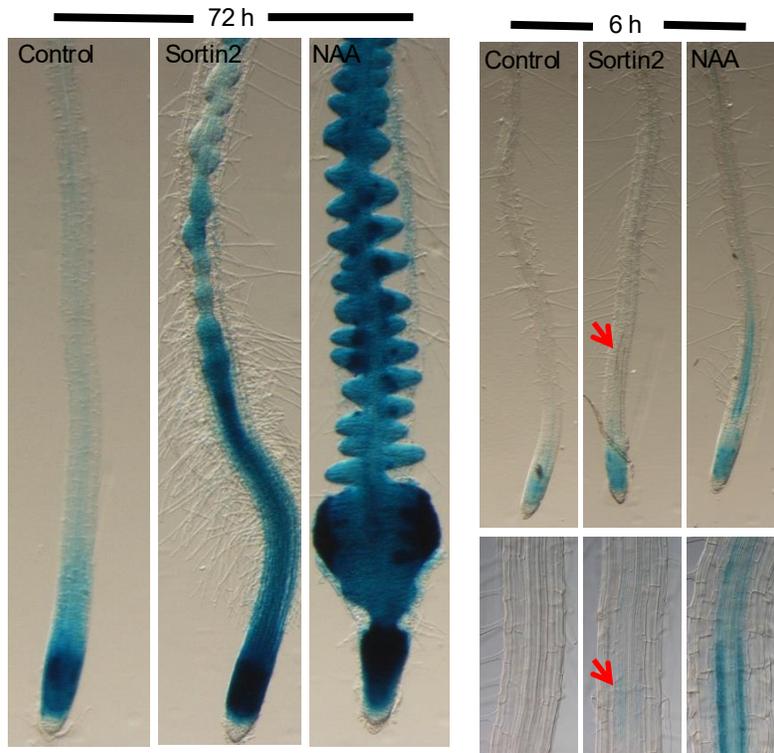


Sortin2 - 24 h

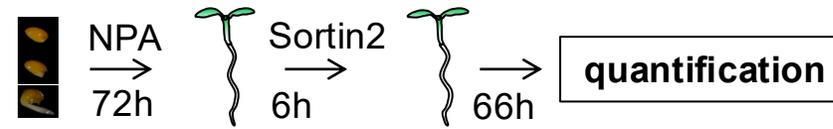


Sortin2 induces mitotic activity that leads to LR formation

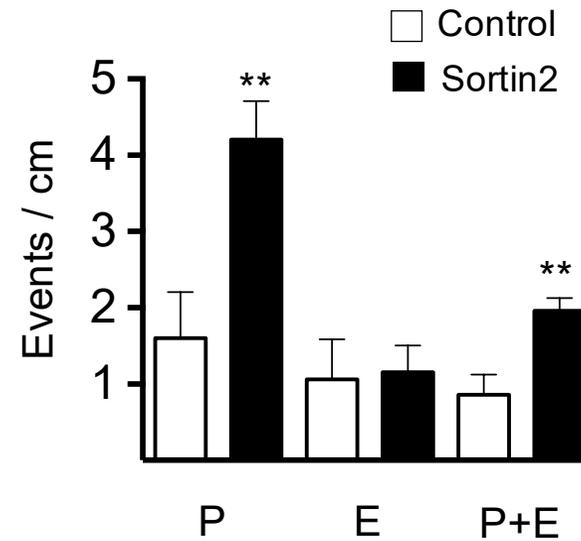
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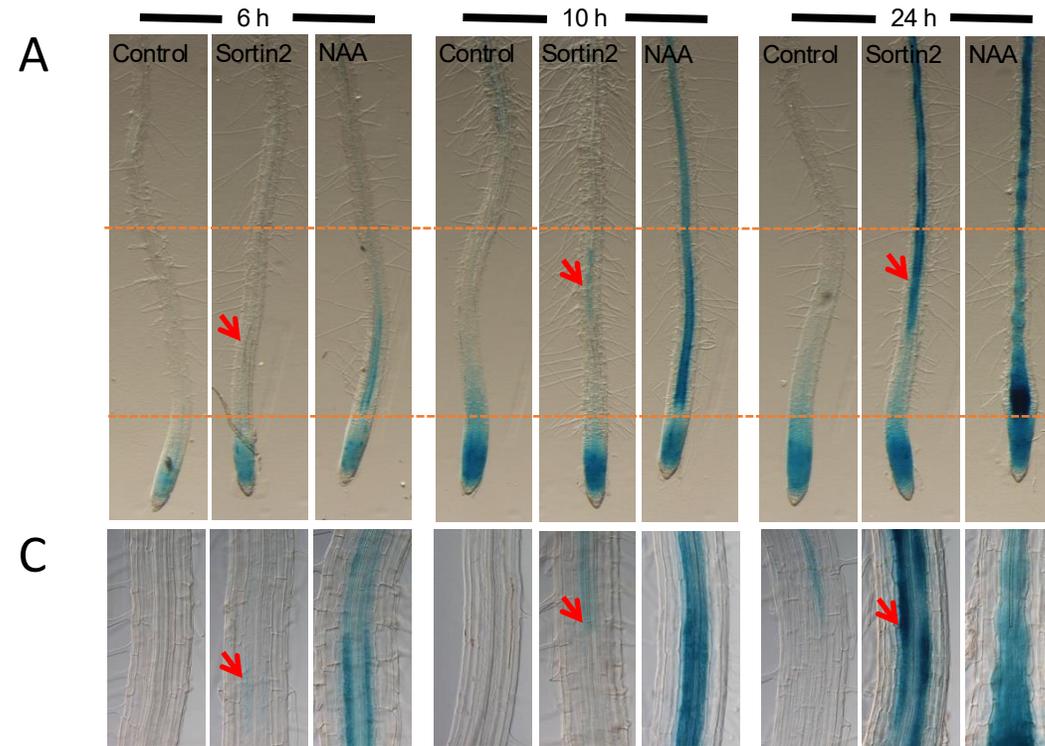
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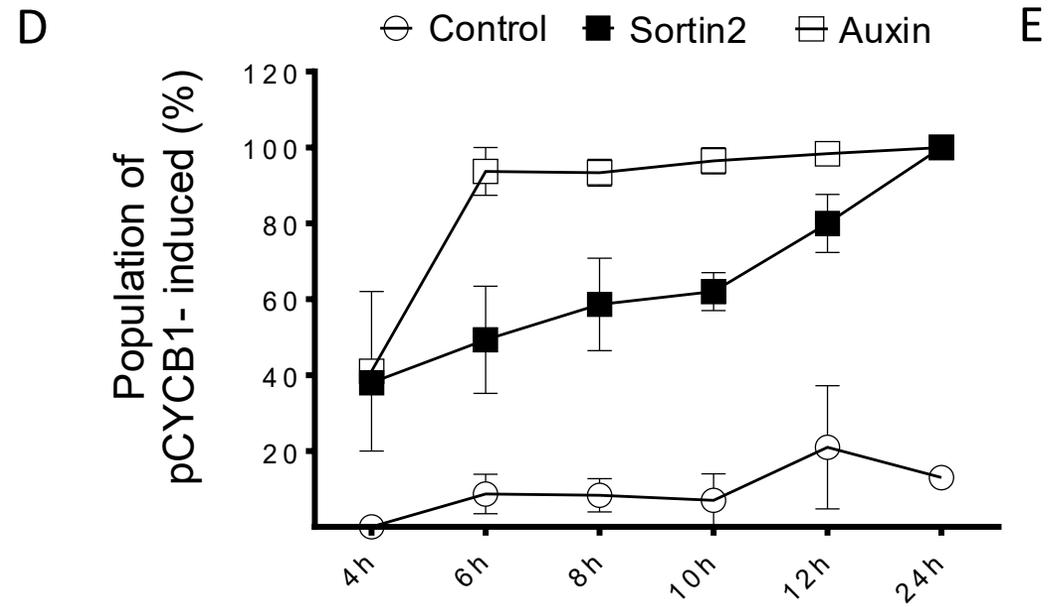
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Time response on Sortin2 mitotic activity induction

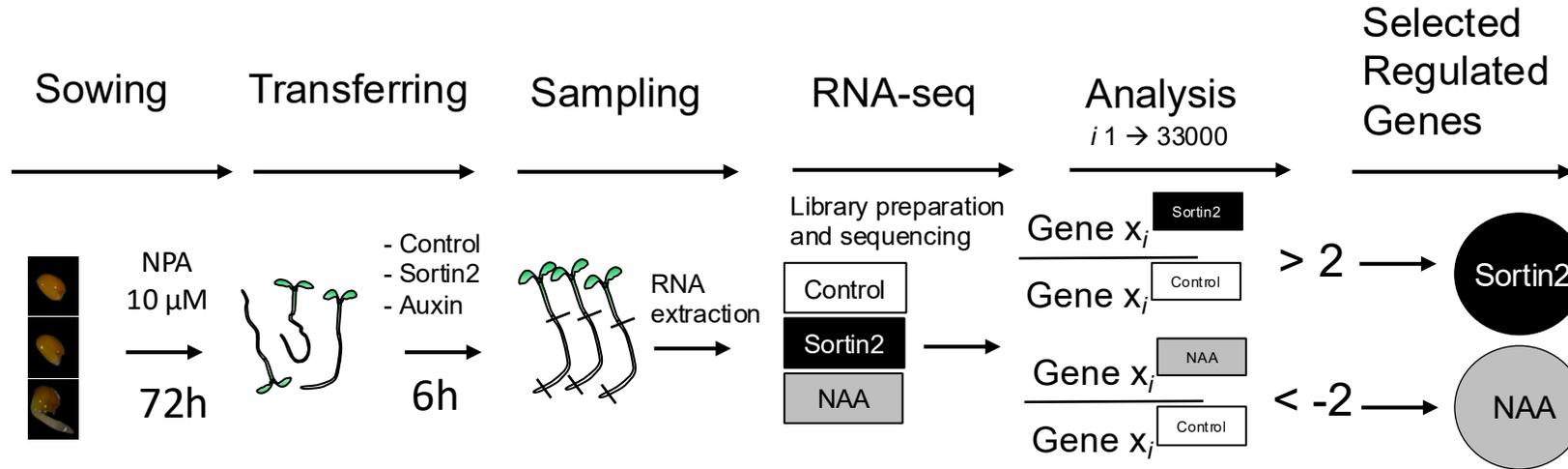


Time response on Sortin2 mitotic activity induction



Experimental design

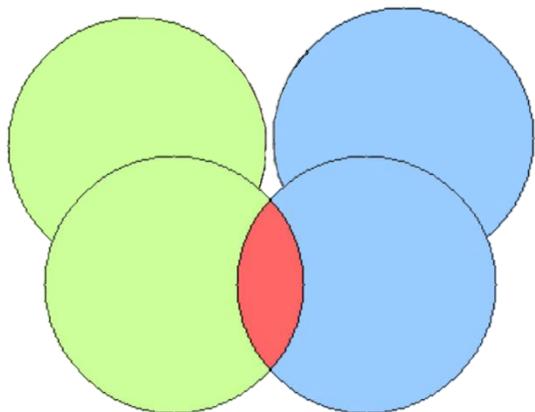
Workflow scheme for RNA sequencing



Overview of Sortin2 and NAA comparative transtripctional profile



Biological processes enrichment



ENRICHMENT OF EACH BIOLOGICAL PROCESS IN EACH GENE LIST

Size of Gene List



Response to stress
(GO:0006950)

Metabolic process
(GO:0008152)

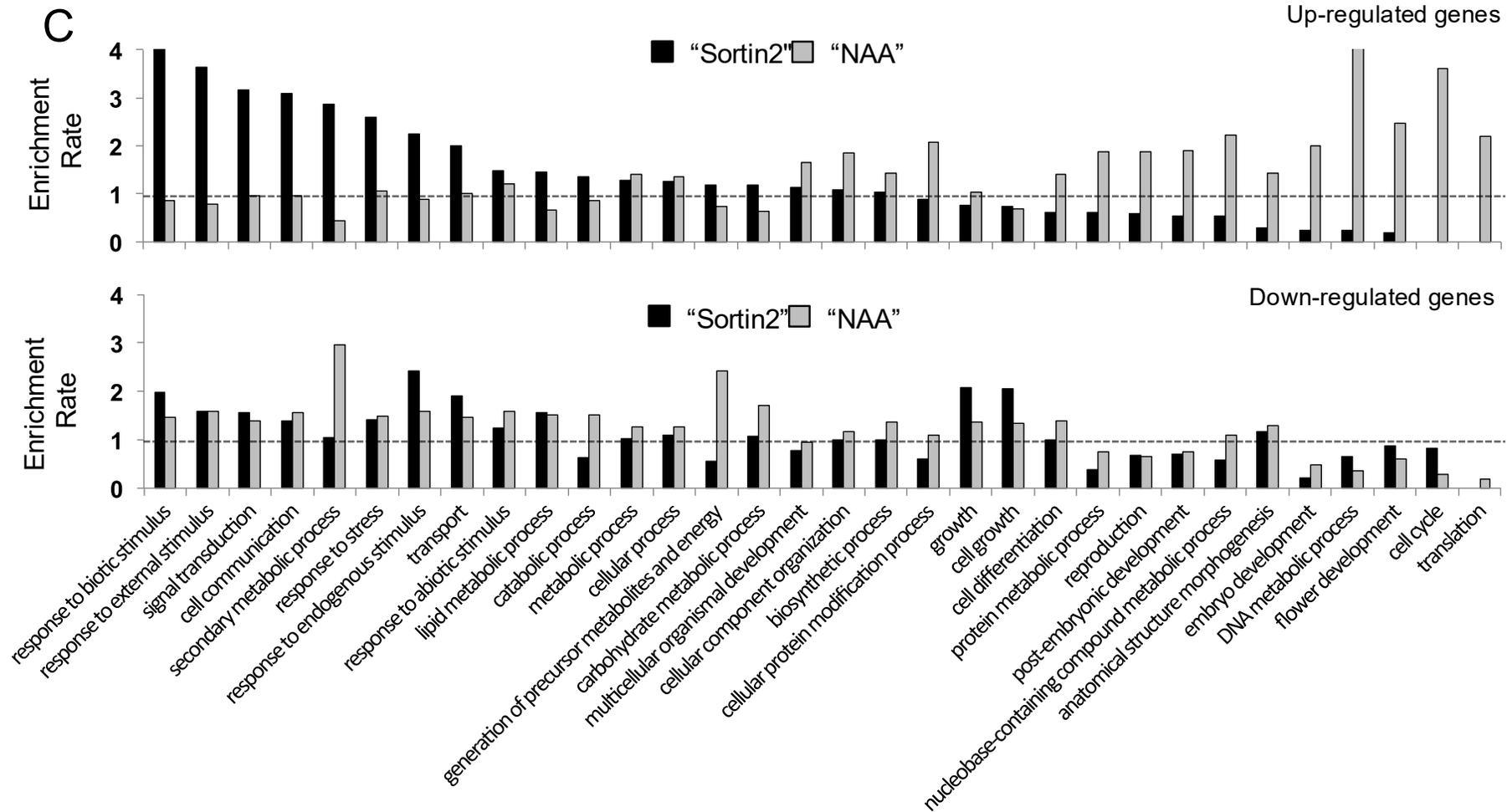
Cell cycle
(GO:0007049)



Size of Biological Process

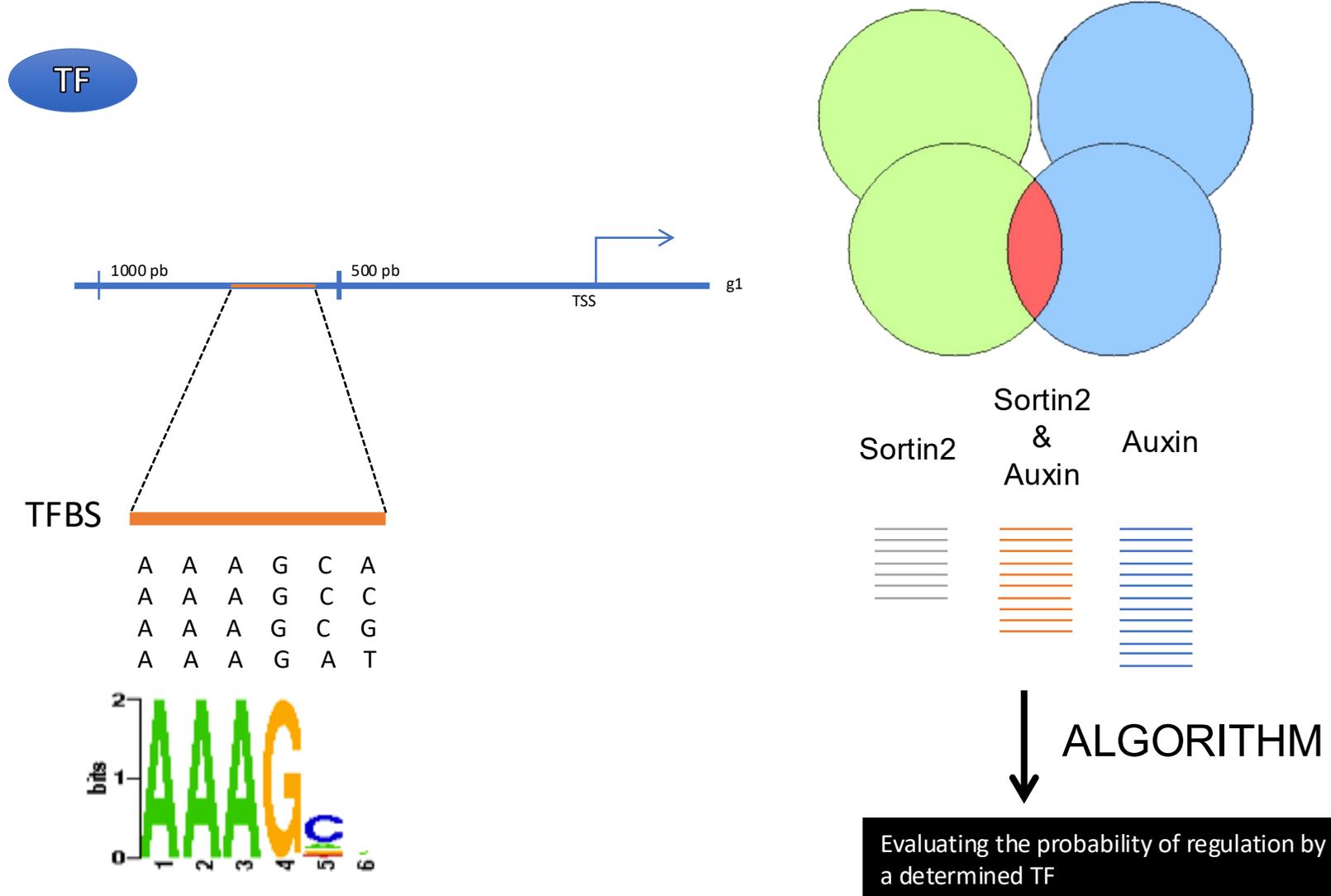
$$\text{ENRICHMENT} = \frac{\frac{\text{N}^\circ \text{ of genes from the list in each GO category}}{\text{N}^\circ \text{ genes in the list}}}{\frac{\text{N}^\circ \text{ genes from the genome annotated in each GO category}}{\text{N}^\circ \text{ genes in the genome}}}$$

Comprehensive overview of biological processes represented among the Sortin2 and NAA transtriptional profiles



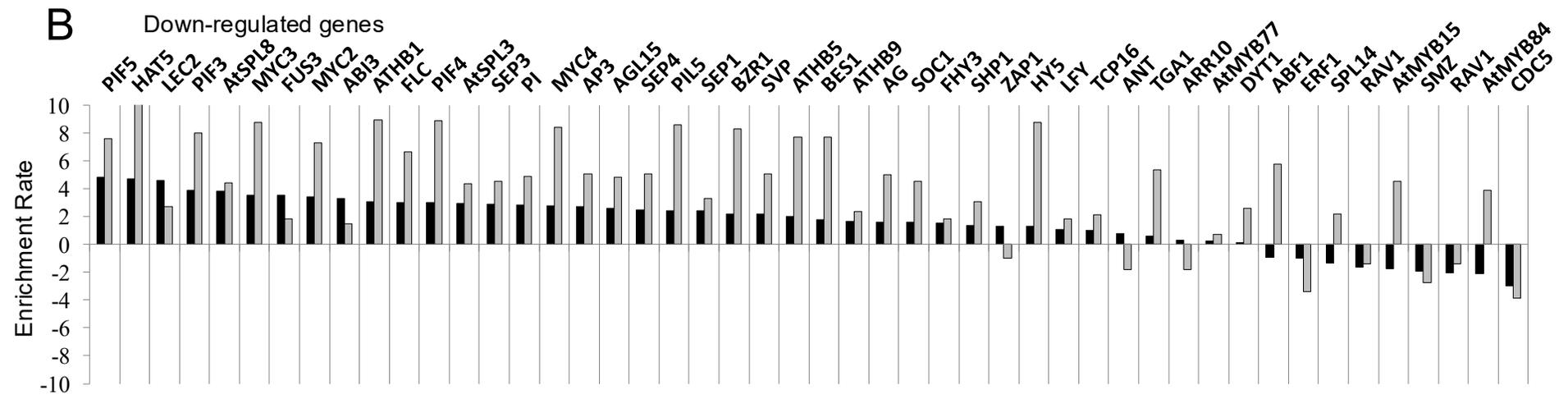
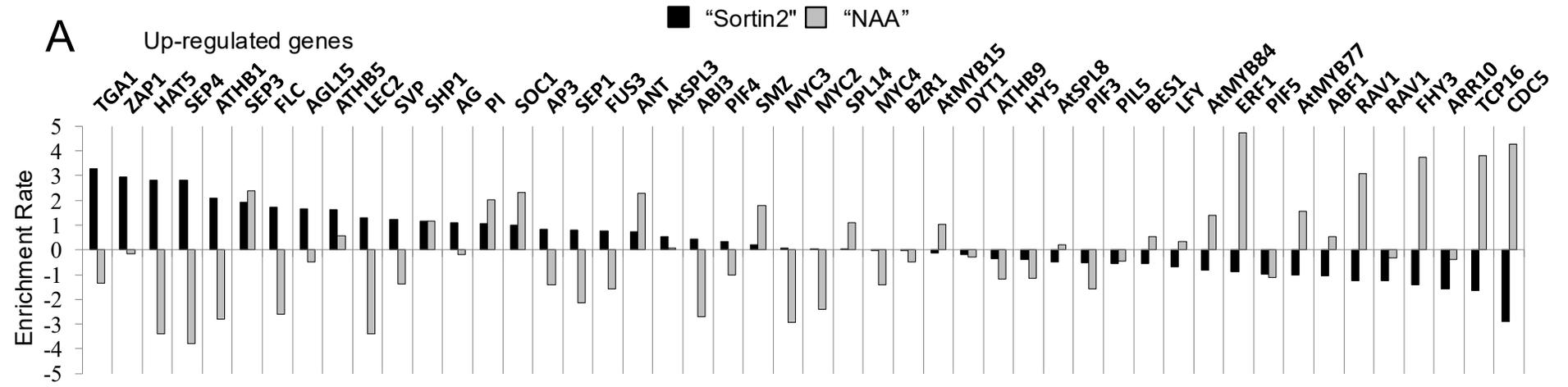
Finding overrepresented TFBS motifs in regulatory sequences from co-expressed genes

Transcription factors binding sites (TFBS)



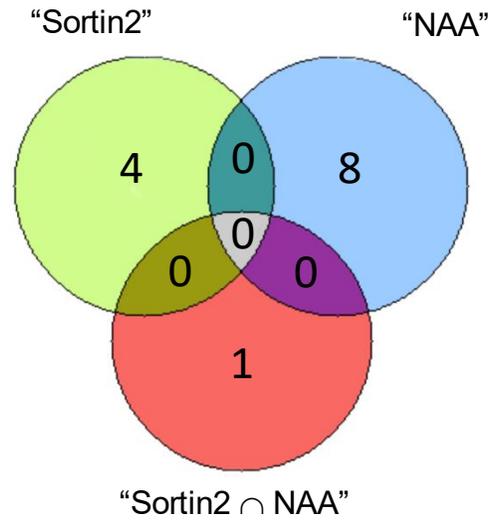
TFBS; Transcription Factor Binding Site

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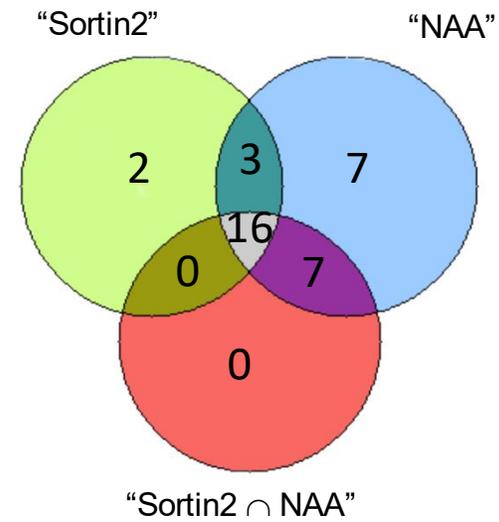


Upregulated genes showed more distinctive cis-regulatory elements than down regulated genes

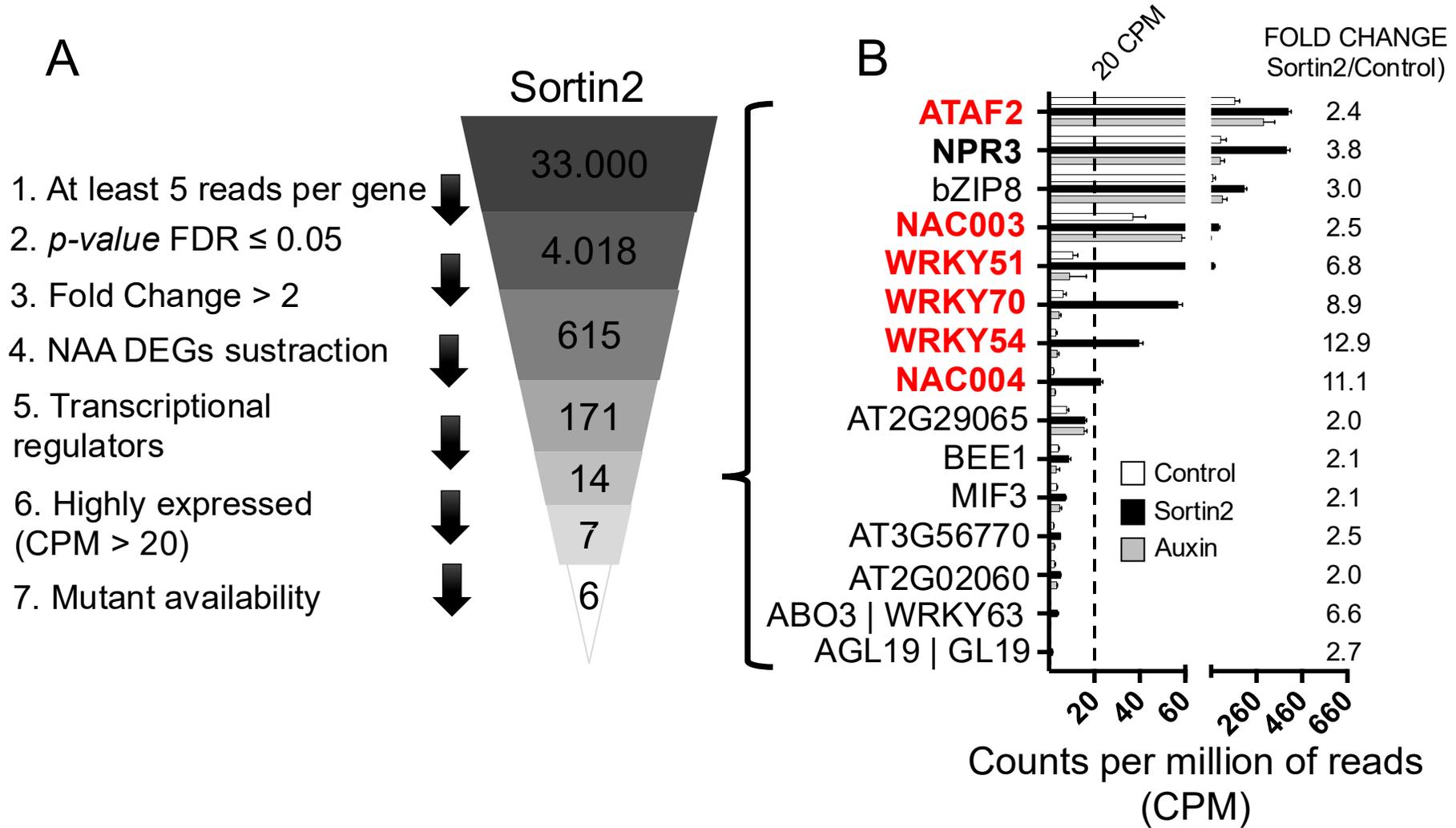
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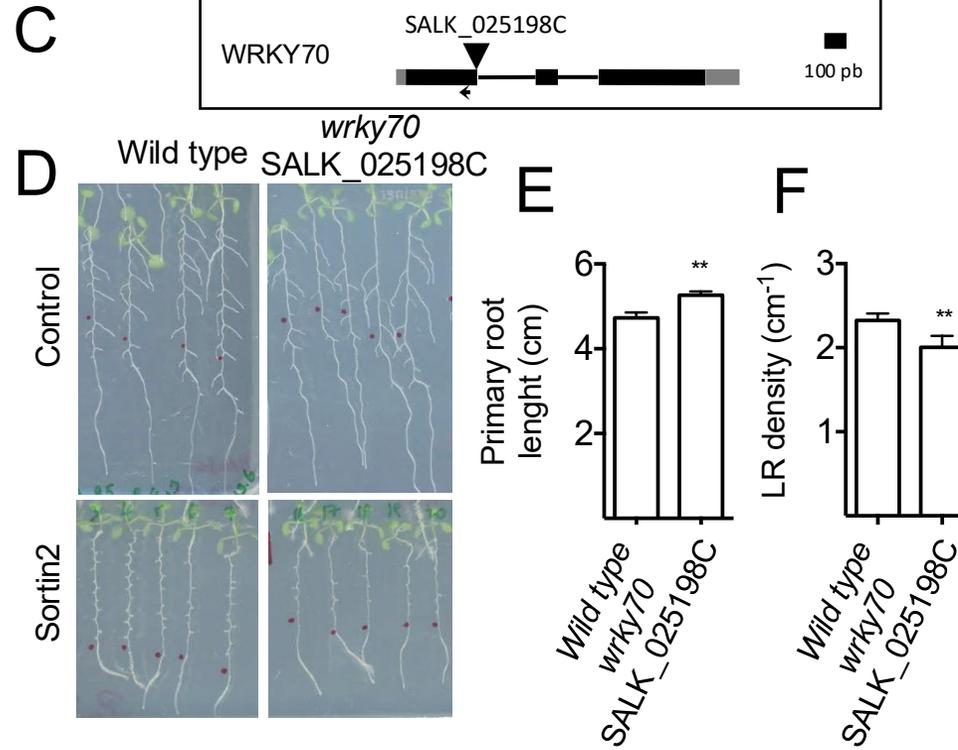
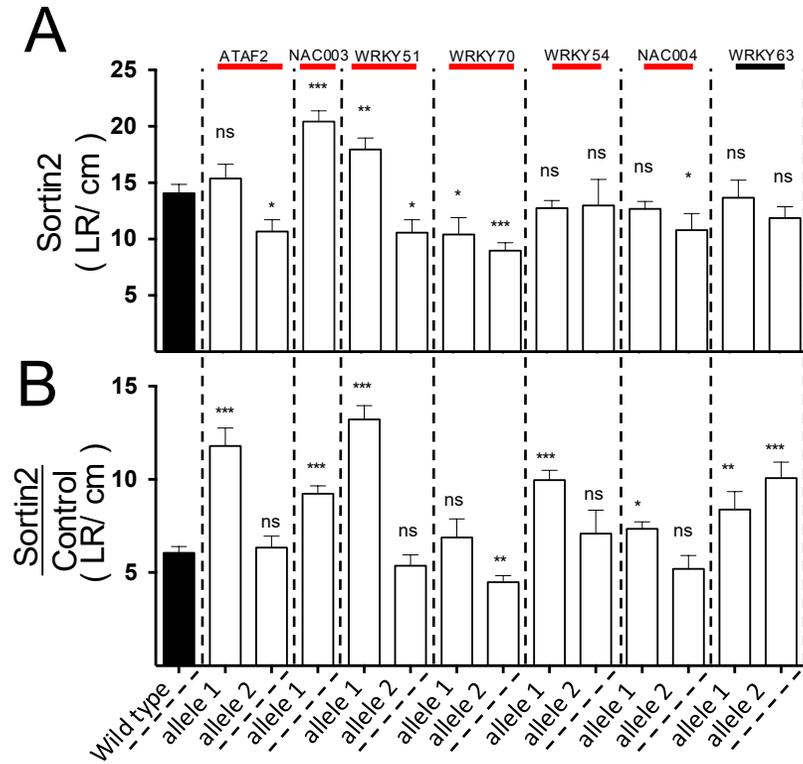
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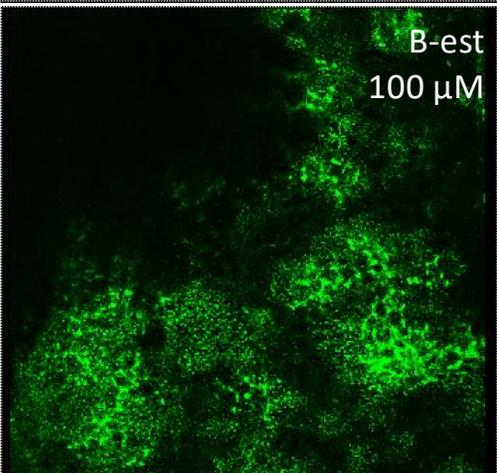
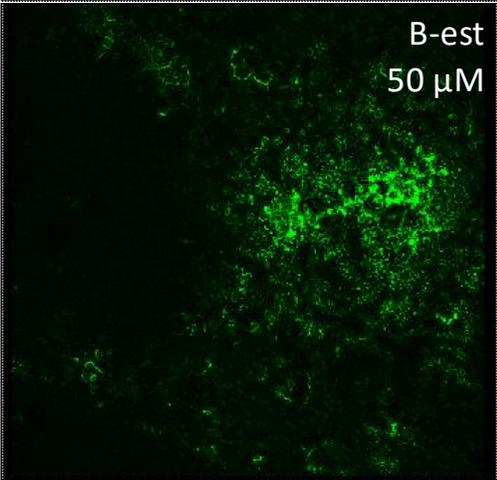
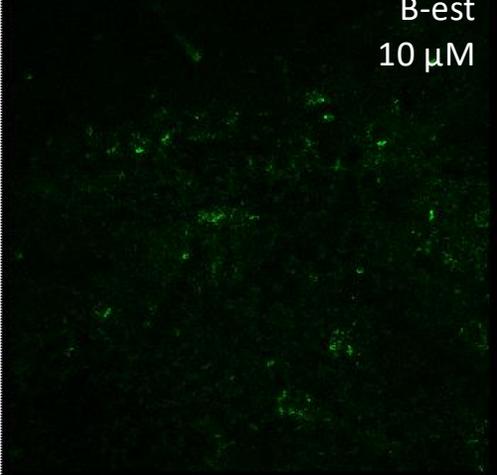


Selecting candidate genes for further biological evaluations



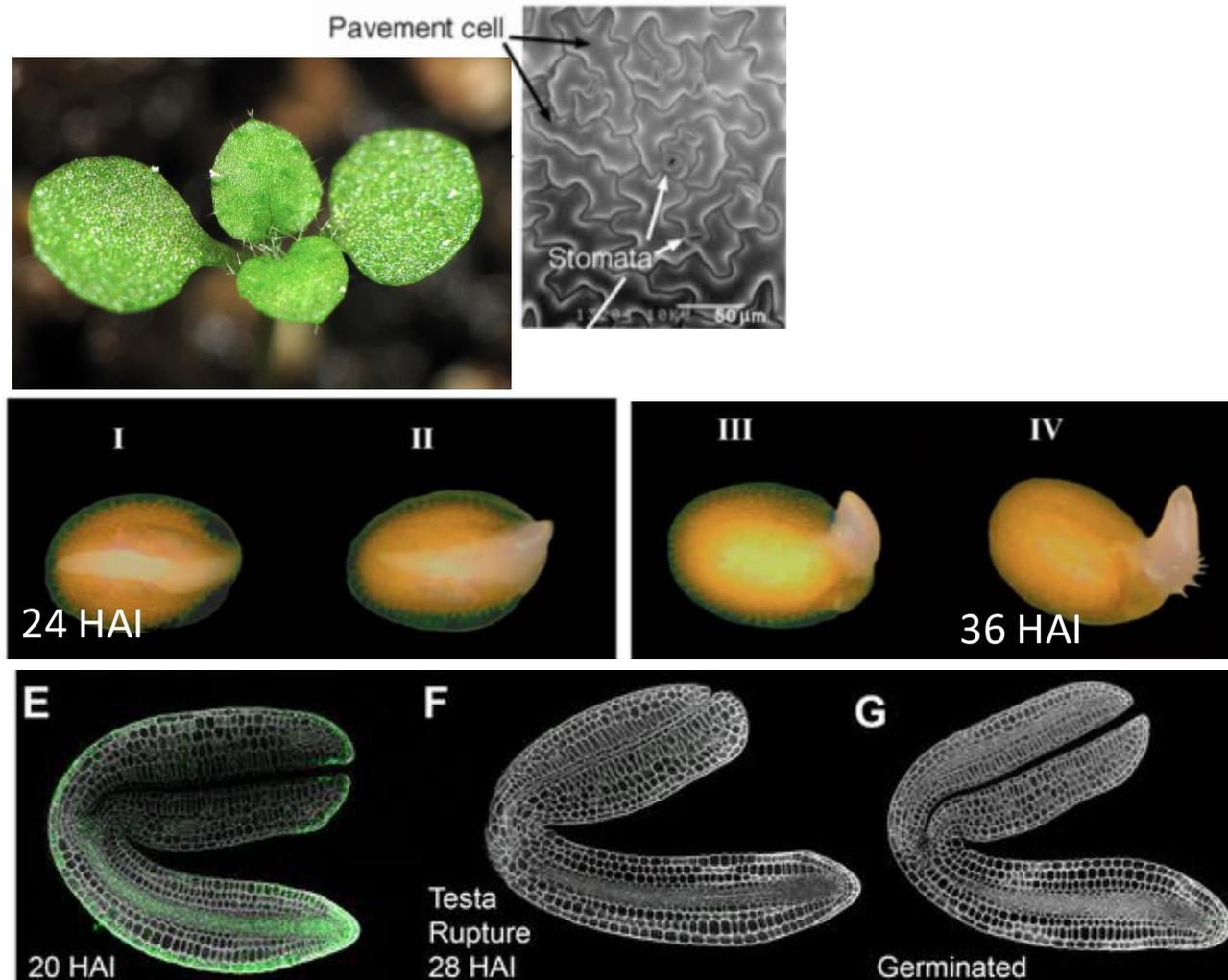
Testing the effect of insertional mutants on selected candidate genes





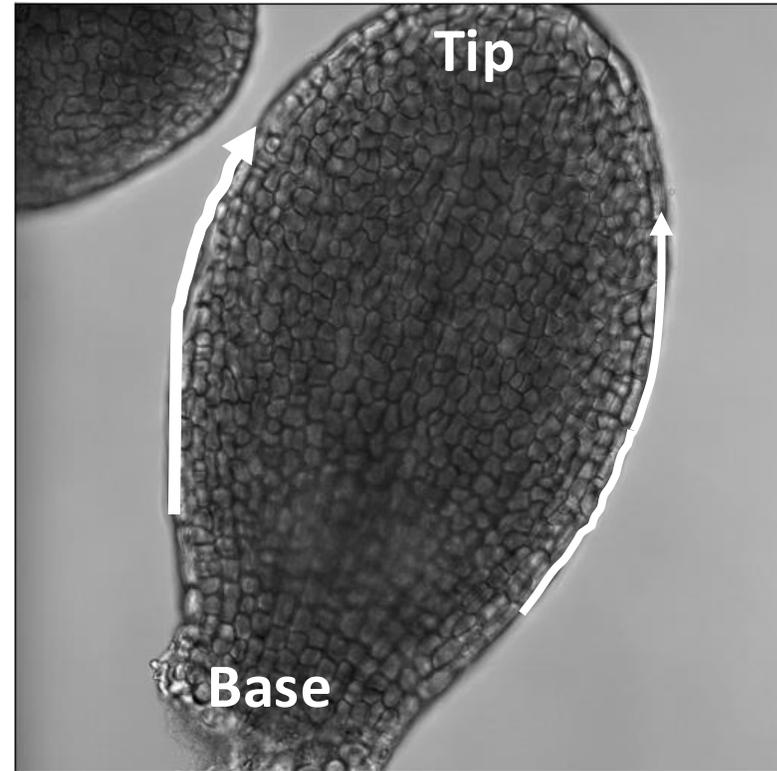
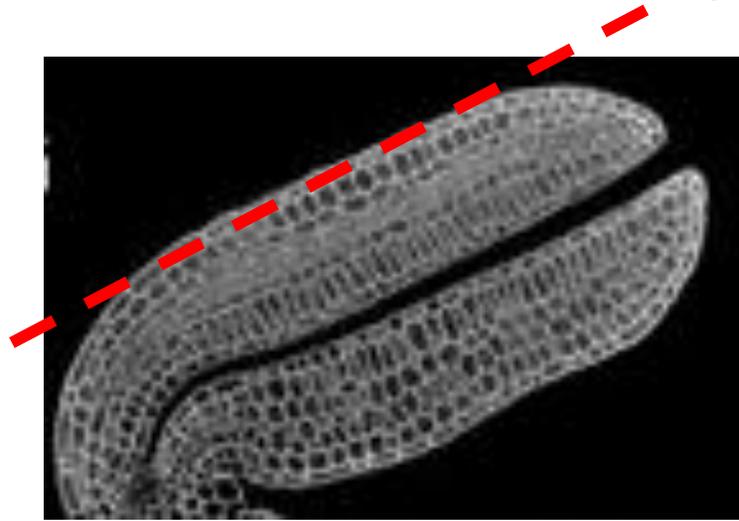
Experimental design
on pavement cell formation

Overview on pavement cell formation

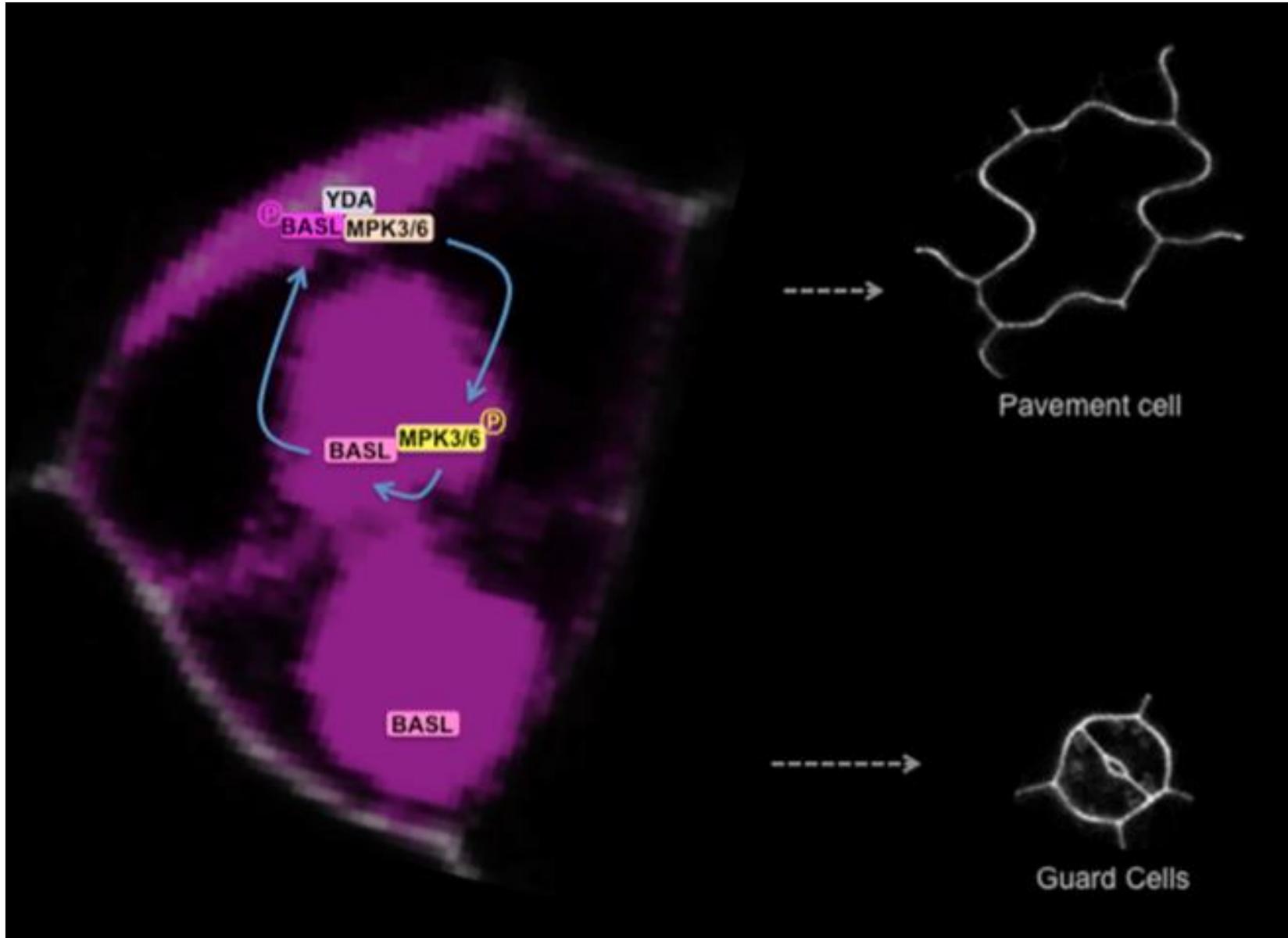


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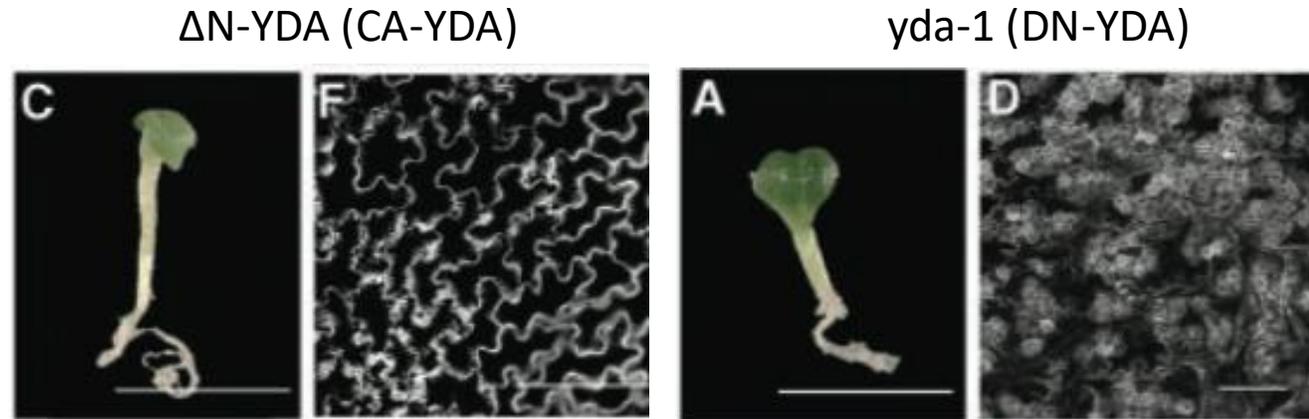
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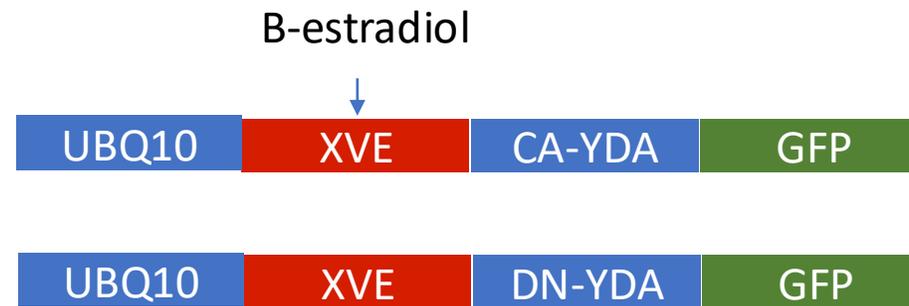


CA-YDA induces al pavement cell epidermis on *A.thaliana*

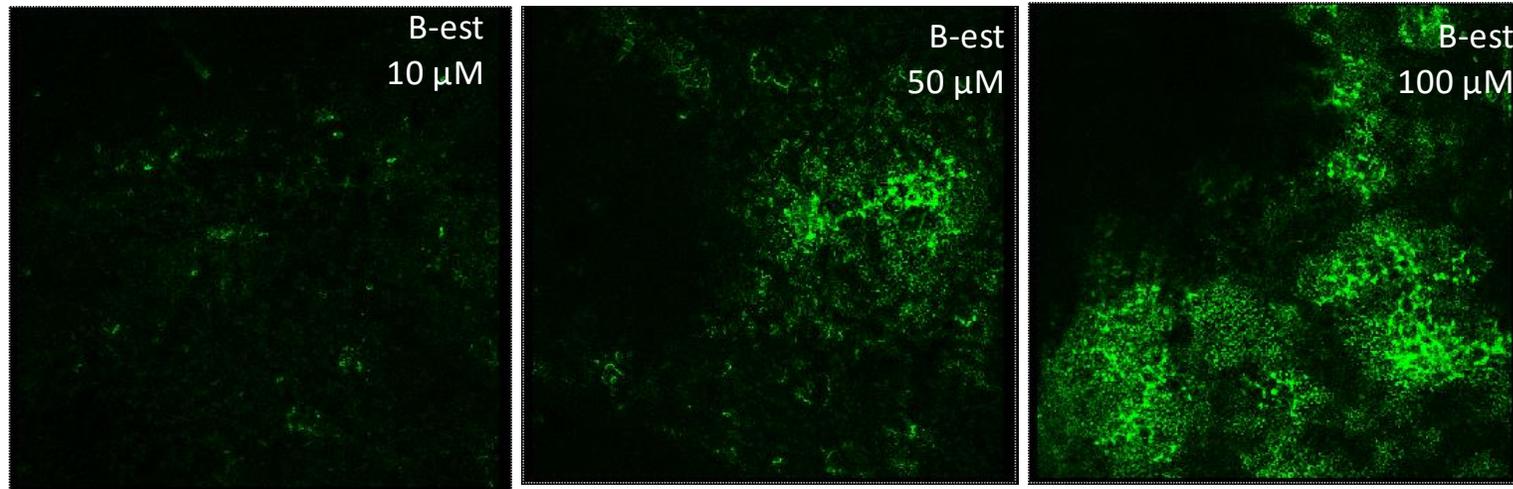
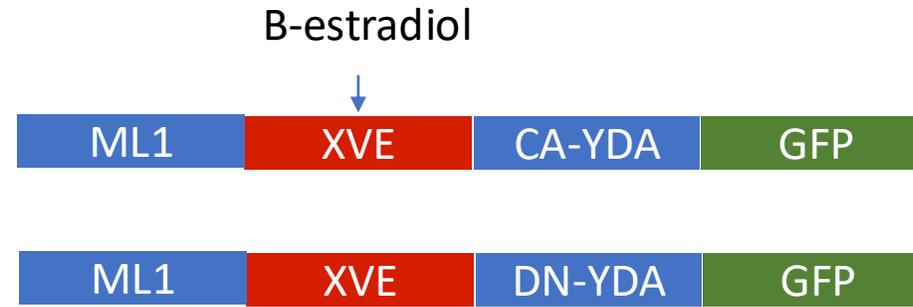


Inducible expression of CA-YDA or DN-YDA

Inducible phenomena

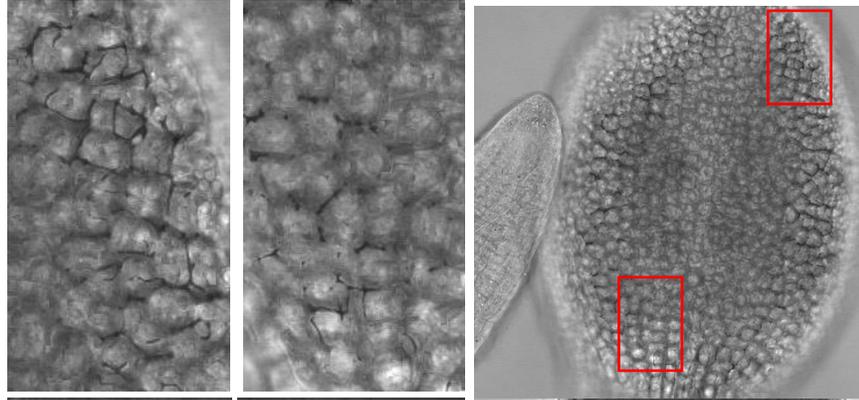


Inducible expression of CA-YDA or DN-YDA specifically on epidermis tissue **Tissue specificity**

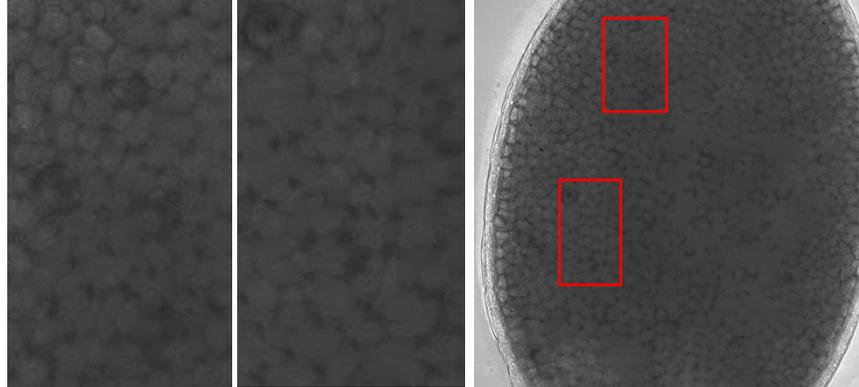


Time resolution

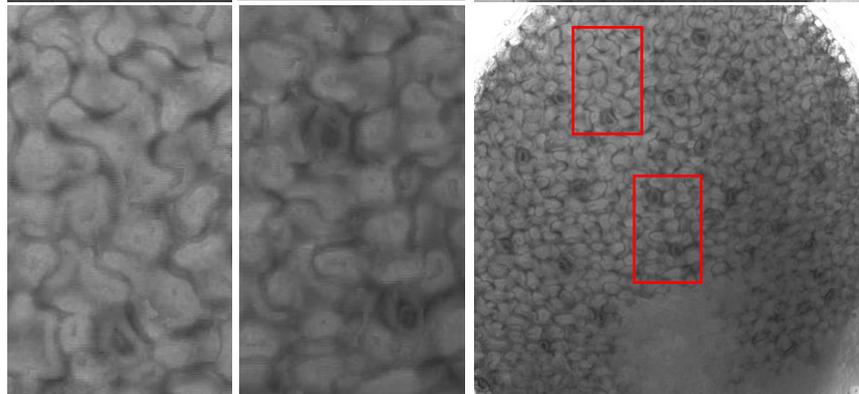
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(0 DAG)



66 HAI
(18 HAG)



72 HAI
(24 HAG)



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Considerations on experimental design

Comparative conditions

Inducible

Tissue specificity

Time resolution

Considerations on data analysis

Overview of biological process

Overview of regulatory elements (cis and trans)

Selection based on gained knowledge