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Supplemental information

WRKY33 negatively regulates anthocyanin biosynthesis and coopera-

tes with PHR1 to mediate acclimation to phosphate starvation

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Supplemental Figure 1. The effects of WRKY33 on flavonoids in Arabidopsis thaliana

(A) In situ flavonol staining of 9-day-old Col-0, wrky33 and WRKY33-OE seedlings grown on $\frac{1}{2}$ MS +P (1.25 mM Pi) and -P (0 mM Pi) media. Flavonols in ethanol-bleached inflorescences were stained with diphenylboric acid 2-aminoethylester (DPBA) to saturation and imaged with a Leica TCS SP5 confocal laser-scanning microscope. K: kaempferol; Q: quercetin; B: Bright; M: merged. (B) Flavonoids contents of 9-day-old Col-0, wrky33 and WRKY33-OE plants grown under Pi-sufficient and Pi-starvation conditions. Error bars indicate the SD of four biological replicates.



Supplemental Figure 2. Ratios of the anthocyanin accumulation in -Pi/+Pi conditions

9-day-old Col-0, *wrky33* and *WRKY33-OE* seedlings grown on $\frac{1}{2}MS + P$ (1.25 mM Pi) and -P (0 mM Pi) media. Different letters indicate significant differences (ANOVA, Fisher's LSD tests; *P* < 0.05). Error bars indicate the SD of four biological replicates.



Supplemental Figure 3. The root growth and relative expression levels of PSI genes in WRKY33-related mutants

(A) Phenotype of 9-day-old Col-0, *wrky33* and *WRKY33-OE* seedlings grown on +Pi and -Pi media. (B) Root length of Col-0, *wrky33* and *WRKY33-OE* seedlings grown on +Pi and -Pi media for 9 days. Different letters indicate significant differences. (C) The diagram of the presence / absence of W-boxes and / or P1BS elements in the promoters of *IPS1*, *PHT1;4* and *PHT2;1* (D) qRT-PCR analysis of Pi starvation-responsive (PSI) genes expression in *Col-0*, *wrky33* and *WRKY33-OE* grown on +Pi/-Pi media s for 9 days. Error bars indicate the SD of four biological replicates. Different letters above the bars indicate significant differences between groups (P < 0.05; ANOVA with Fisher's LSD test).



Supplemental Figure 4. PHR1 suppresses the inhibition of *DFR* promoter by WRKY33

(A) The transient expression assay showed the inhibition of WRKY33 to *DFR* promoter was compromised when PHR1 coexpressed with WRKY33 in *N. benthamiana* leaves. (B) Relative firefly LUC to REN ratios from transient expression assays. These represent the activity of the *DFR* promoter in the absence/presence of WRKY33 and PHR1. Error bars indicate the SD of four biological replicates. Different letters above the bars indicate significant differences between groups (P < 0.05; ANOVA with Fisher's LSD test).



Supplemental Figure 5. The expression levels of *WRKY33* and *DFR* in *phr1/WRKY33OE* homozygous plants

Homozygous T3 lines were screened using hygromycin. *phr1WRKY33OE-1*, *phr1WRKY33OE-7*, *phr1WRKY33OE-8*, *phr1WRKY33OE-15* were different homozygous lines. Error bars indicate the SD of three biological replicates. Different letters above the bars indicate significant differences between groups (P < 0.05; ANOVA with Fisher's LSD test).



Supplemental Figure 6. The phenotype of *Col-0, phr1, WRKY33OE* and *phr1WRKY33OE* under +Pi or -Pi conditions.

(A) The anthocyanin accumulation and phenotype of Col-0, *phr1,WRKY33OE* and *phr1WRKY33OE* under +Pi or -Pi conditions. (B-C) The anthocyanin content (B) and relative expression levels of anthocyanin biosynthesis genes *DFR* (C) in Col-0, *phr1,WRKY33OE* and *phr1WRKY33OE* under +Pi or -Pi conditions. Error bars indicate the SD of three biological replicates. Different letters indicate statistically significant differences (P < 0.05)

Primer names	Primer sequence (5'3')	Purpose
CHS-qRT-F	GGAGAAGTTCAAGCGCATGTG	qRT-PCR
CHS-qRT-R	ATGTGACGTTTCCGAATTGTCG	qRT-PCR
CHI-qRT-F	CTCTCTTACGGTTGCGTTTTCG	qRT-PCR
CHI-qRT-R	CACCGTTCTTCCCGATGATAGA	qRT-PCR
DFR-qRT-F	AGCCGCCAAGGGACGTTATATTTG	qRT-PCR
DFR-qRT-R	CCGGGAGAAAACCCTTTTGACGA	qRT-PCR
DFR-W1-F	GTGGTGGTTACCTCGTCCAC	qRT-PCR-ChIP
DFR-W1-R	CTACACCAAAGACGCTTGGC	qRT-PCR-ChIP
DFR-W2-F	AGTACCAACCGGAGAAGCAC	qRT-PCR-ChIP
DFR-W2-R	AAGTCACCCACACGTCTCAC	qRT-PCR-ChIP
Lic-WRKY33-F	CgACgACAAgACCgTCACCatgATGGCTGCTTCTT	BiFC
	TTCTTACAATG	
Lic-WRKY33-R	gAggAgAagAgCCgTCgGGGGCATAAACGAATCGA	BiFC
	AAAAT	
pABAi-DFR-Hin	AAAATGATGAATTGAAAAGCTTCTCTGACGTC	Y1H
dIII-F	TTACGATACAACAAATTG	
pABAi-DFR-SalI	GAGCACATGCCTCGAGGTCGACTTTTGTGGTTA	Y1H
-R	TATGATAGATTGTGC	
DFR-Prob-1-F	GTACCGGTGGGTGAAATACGTTGACTTCGATTT	EMSA
	GTTTGGTGAGAC	
DFR-Prob-1-R	GTCTCACCAAACAAATCGAAGTCAACGTATTT	EMSA
	CACCCACCGGTAC	
DFR-Prob-2-F	GAGAAGAGGTCAGCTTAATTTTGACTCTCCTC	EMSA
	CAAACAGAGAGAC	
DFR-Prob-2-R	GTCTCTCTGTTTGGAGGAGAGTCAAAATTAAG	EMSA
	CTGACCTCTTCTC	

Supplemental Table 1. Primer sequences in this study