

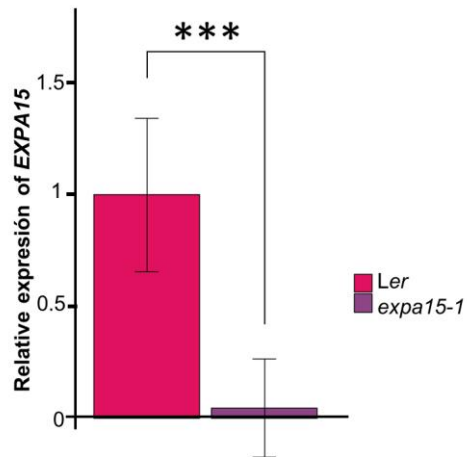
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Fig. S1. Gene diagram of *EXPA15* with the mutant alleles studied. A) schematic of the genomic region of *EXPA15* gene. Exons are indicated by green boxes, the 5' and 3' with red lines and introns by thick black lines. The triangles indicate the position of the insertions of the *EXPA15* mutant alleles studied. B) RT-qPCR expression data of the *EXPA15* gene in inflorescences of Ler and *expa15-1*, showing that the *expa15-1* allele is a null mutant. Student's t-test was used to evaluate significant differences between Ler and *expa15-1*. Significant values are indicated as follows: *** $p < 0.001$; ns: not significant, $P > 0.05$.

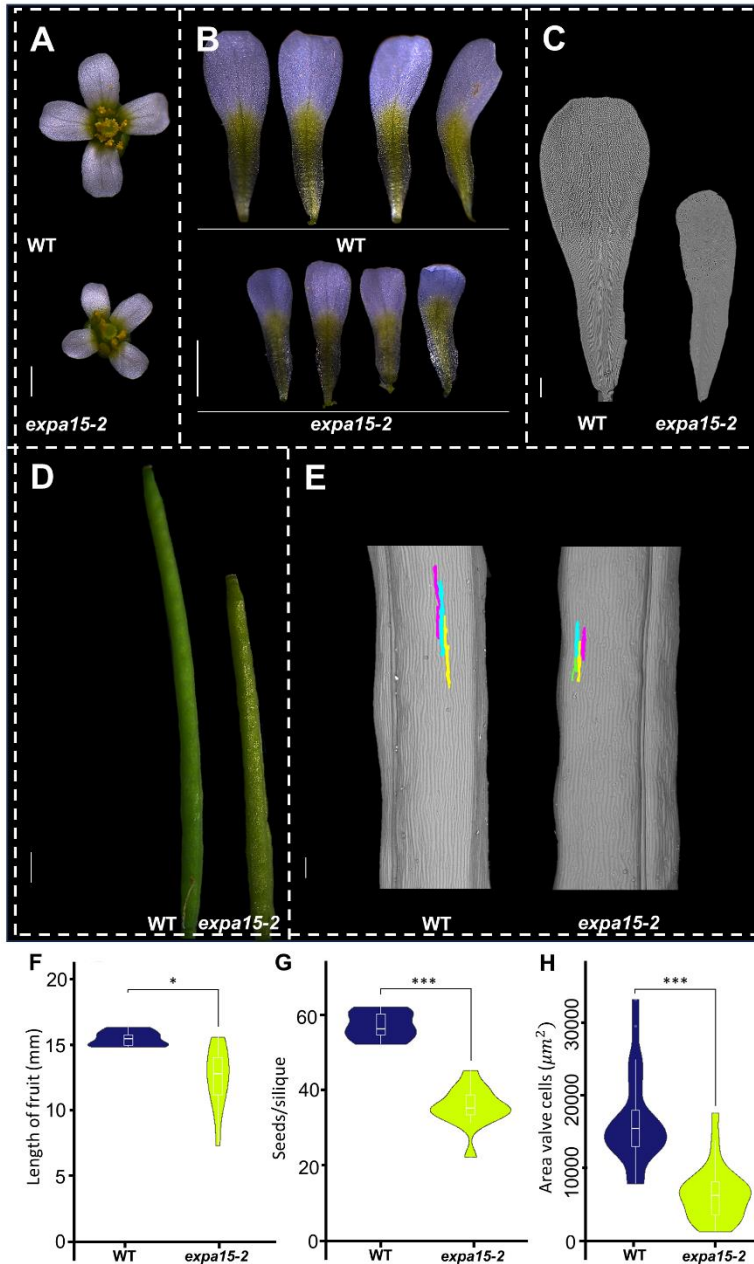


Fig. S2. Phenotypes in the *expa15-2* allele in the Col-0 background. A) Flower of wild-type Col-0 and *expa15-2*. B) Smaller petals in *expa15-2* compared to Col-0. C) The petal cells of *expa15* are similar to WT in the adaxial part of petals. D) Images of fruits of Col-0 and *expa15-2*. E) Scanning microscopy images of Col-0 and *expa15-2* fruits. F-H) Analysis on fruits of Col-0 and *expa15-2*. F) Fruit length. G) Number of seeds per silique. H) Analysis of fruit valve cell area in Col-0 and *expa15-2*. Note: Images/measurements of WT samples are the same as in Fig. S3. Statistical analyses were performed using a Wilcoxon test. n=15 in F,H, n=5 in H: * $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.0001$, ns: not significant, $p > 0.05$. Scale bars: 1 mm in A-B, D; 200 μm in C; 100 μm in E.

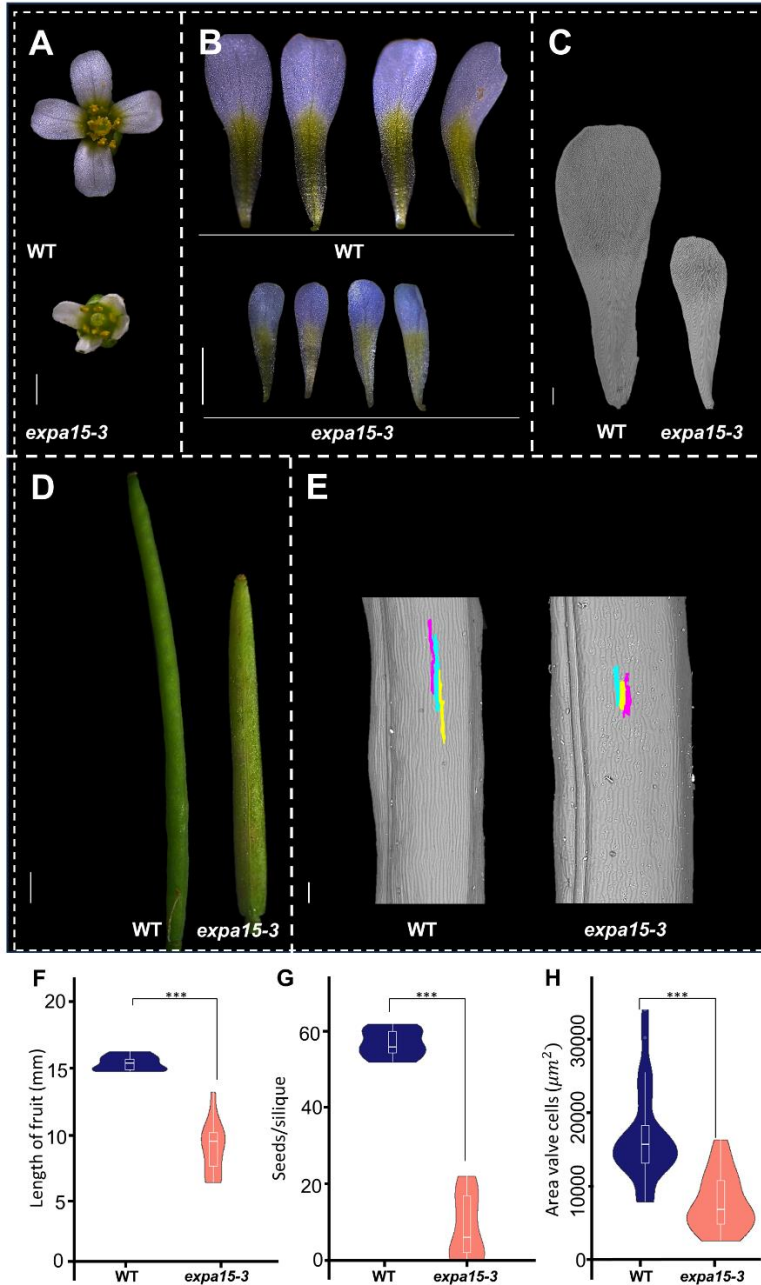


Fig. S3. Phenotypes in the *expa15-3* allele in the Col-0 background. A) Flower of wild-type Col-0 and *expa15-3*. B) smaller petals in *expa15-3* compared to Col-0. C) The petal cells of *expa15-3* are similar to WT in adaxial part of petals. D) Images of fruits of Col-0 and *expa15-3*. E) Scanning microscopy images of Col-0 and *expa15-3* fruits. F-H) Analysis on fruits of Col-0 and *expa15-3*. F) Fruit length. G) Number of seeds per silique. H) Analysis of fruit valve cell area in Col-0 and *expa15-3*. Note: Images/measurements of WT samples are the same as in Fig. S2. Statistical analyses were performed using a Wilcoxon test. n=15 in F,H, n=5 in H: ***p<0.0001, ns: not significant, p > 0.05. Scale bars:1 mm in A-B, D; 200 μm in C; 100 μm in E.

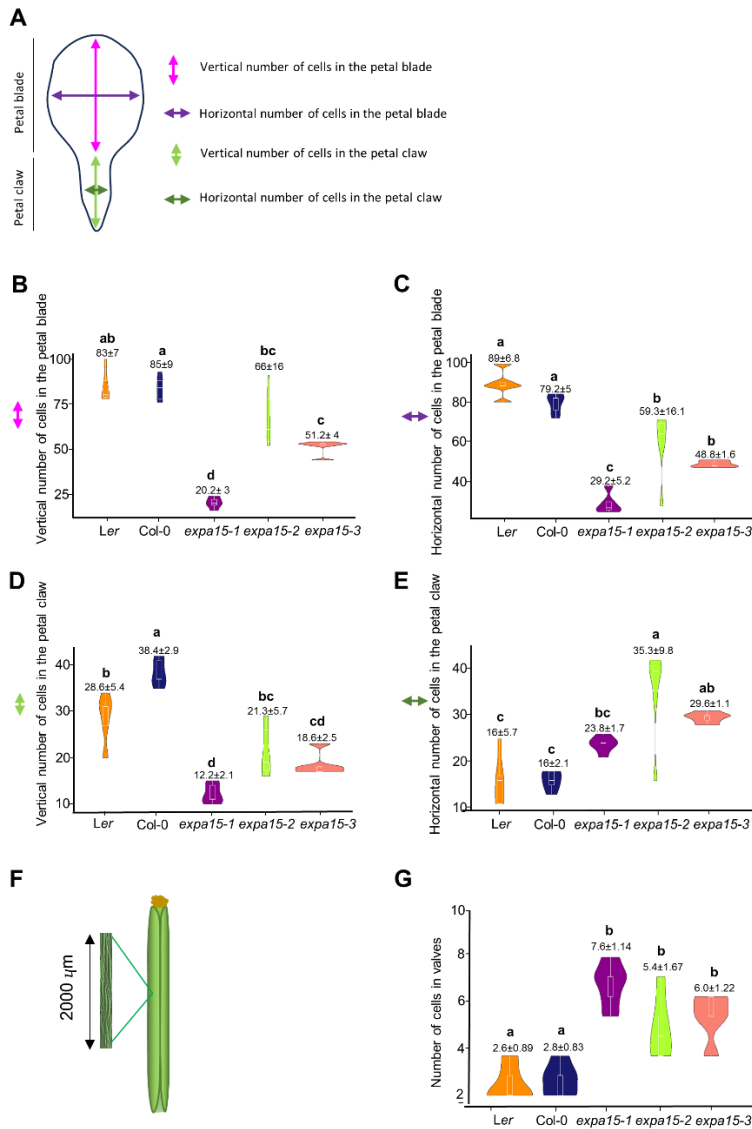


Fig. S4. The cell number in petal and fruit in the mutant alleles *expa15-1*, *expa15-2* and *expa15-3* is affected compared to the WT. A) Annotation scheme of areas of quantification of cells in the petal. B) Quantification of vertical lineal number of cells in the petal blade in Ler, Col-0, *expa15-1*, *expa15-2* and *expa15-3*. C) Quantification of horizontal lineal number of cells in the petal blade in Ler, Col-0, *expa15-1*, *expa15-2* and *expa15-3*. D) Quantification of vertical lineal number of cells in the petal claw in Ler, Col-0, *expa15-1*, *expa15-2* and *expa15-3*. E) Quantification of horizontal lineal number of cells in the petal claw in Ler, Col-0, *expa15-1*, *expa15-2* and *expa15-3*. F) Schematic of Arabidopsis fruit showing the measurement of quantified valve cells in a vertical line. G) Quantification of valve cells in a vertical line of 2000 μ m length in Ler, Col-0, *expa15-1*, *expa15-2* and *expa15-3*. Statistical differences detected by one-way ANOVA and Tukey HSD on stage 13-14 flowers at $p < 0.05$ are represented by different lowercase letters on box plots. $n = 5$.



Fig. S5. The *expa15-1* mutant occasionally shows a gynoecium with three carpels. A-C) Transverse sections of *Arabidopsis* gynoecia stained with Neutral red and Alcian blue of the *expa15-1* mutant showing three carpels at low frequency (5%; 2 flowers per inflorescence of around 40 flowers). Scale bars 10 μ m.

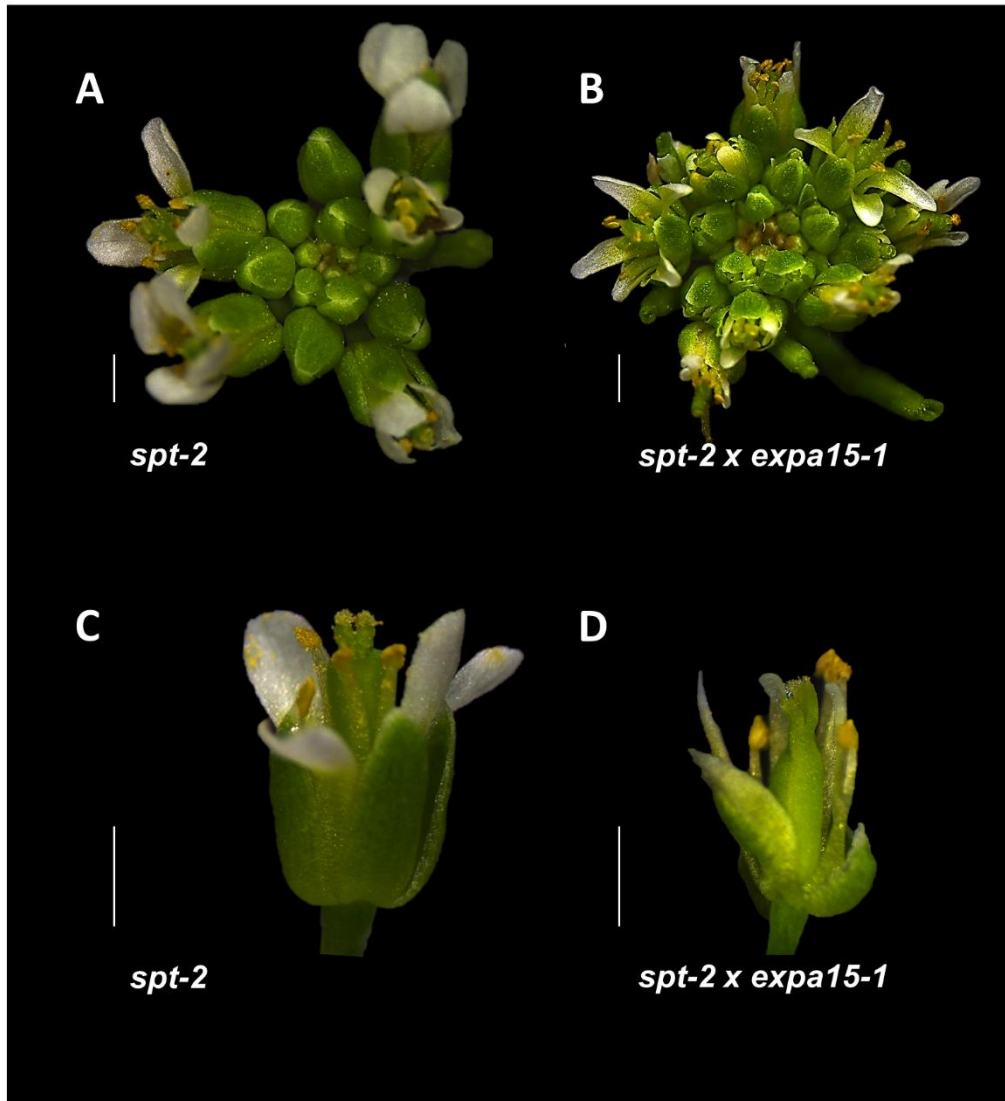


Fig. S6. The *spt-2 x expa15-1* double mutant presents a stronger phenotype than the single mutants. A, B) View of *spt-2* and *spt-2 x expa15-1* double mutant inflorescences. C, D) View of *spt-2* and *spt-2 x expa15-1* double mutant flowers. Scale bars 1 mm.

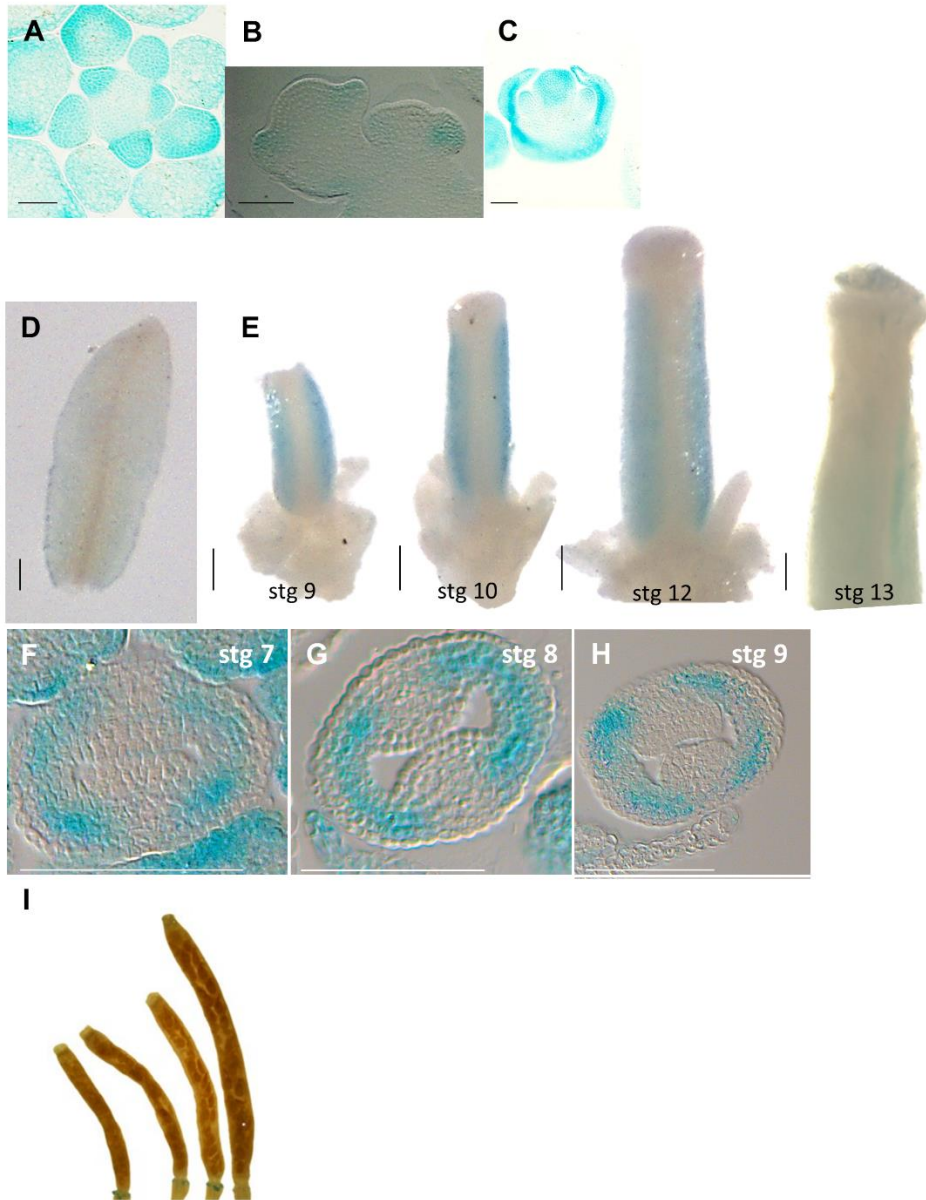


Fig. S7. Expression pattern of *EXPA15* in the shoot apical meristem, floral meristem, petals, gynoecium, and fruit. A, B) Expression pattern of *EXPA15* in the shoot apical meristem in a vertical and horizontal view after overnight GUS reaction. C) Expression pattern of *EXPA15* in the floral meristem. D) Expression pattern of *EXPA15* in the petal. E) Expression pattern of *EXPA15* in gynoecia until stage 13. F-H) Expression pattern of *EXPA15* in gynoecia cross sections. I) Absence of *EXPA15* signal in fruits. Scale bars: 50 μ m in A-C; 1 mm in D-E; 10 μ m in F-H.

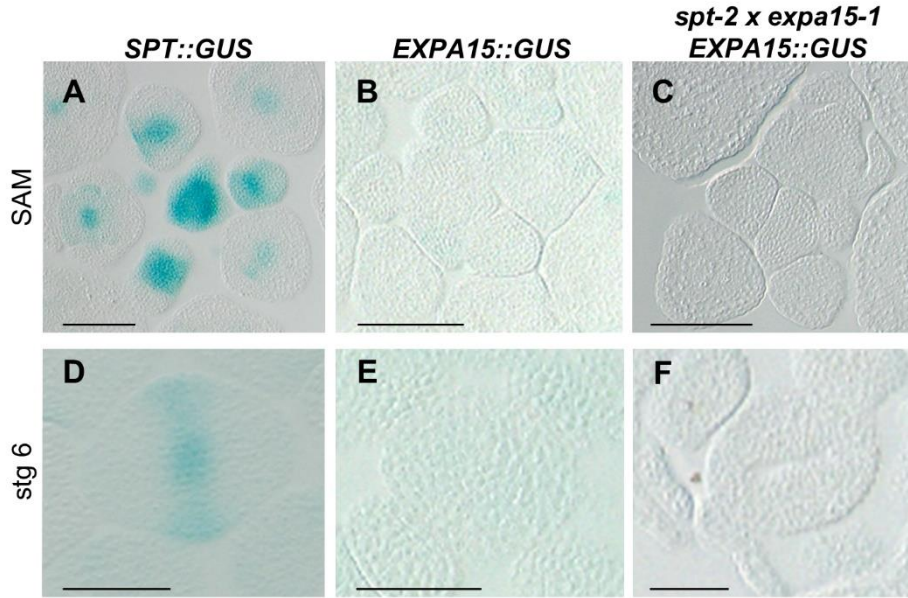


Fig. S8. *EXPA15* expression appears to be affected during meristem development in the *spt expa15* double mutant. A-C) Expression pattern of *SPT* and *EXPA15* in WT, and *EXPA15* expression in the *spt-2 expa15-1* double mutant in transverse sections of the meristem after two hours of GUS reaction. D-F) Expression pattern of *SPT* and *EXPA15* in WT, and *EXPA15* in the *spt-2 expa15-1* double mutant in transverse gynoecia sections at stage 6. Scale bars: 100 μ m in A-C; 50 μ m in D-F.

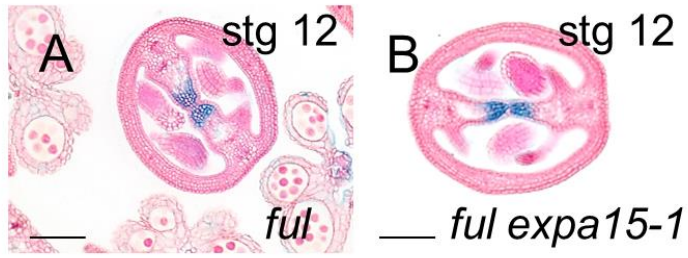


Fig. S9. Medial tissues develop normally in most gynoecia of the *ful expa15* mutant. A-B) Transverse gynoecia sections stained with Neutral red and Alcian blue at stage 12 of *ful-2* and the *ful-2 x expa15-1* double mutant. Scale bars 100 μ m.