



Figure S1. Seed-specific overexpression of *HaHSFA9* mRNAs from the *DS10* promoter in transgenic tobacco. We depict northern hybridization analyses of total RNA from seed samples from the indicated heterozygous T_0 lines. Also shown, similar analyses for 21 dpi seedling samples from the corresponding homozygous daughter lines. Total RNA amount per lane was $15\mu\text{g}$. Hybridization controls: (-) RNA from non-transgenic tobacco seeds; (+) RNA from sunflower embryos (21 days post-anthesis). Labeled DNA probes are indicated to the right of the autoradiographs. The *HaHSFA9* probe was prepared by labeling an *Xba*I fragment (1287 bp) from plasmid p35:HSFA9 (Almoguera et al., 2002, cited in the manuscript). The fragment used for the *18S rRNA* probe was described by Almoguera and Jordano (Plant Mol Biol 19: 781-92, 1992). DNA fragments were labeled using the Megaprime DNA Labelling System from Amersham Biosciences and following directions from the manufacturer. Hybridizations were performed overnight at 65°C in the modified Church and Gilbert buffer (Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A, 81: 1991-5 [1984], 7% [w/v] SDS, 0.5 M NaHPO_4 [pH 7.2], 10 mM EDTA).