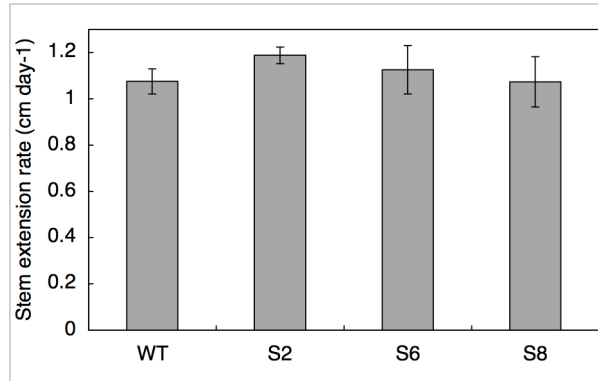


**Supplemental Figure 1.** Biomass accumulation of *N. sylvestris* lines. Plants were grown at  $500 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$  light for 7 weeks. Dry weight was determined after that 2 g (fresh weight) of shoot tissue had been removed from each plant for other analyses. Data are shown as means  $\pm$  SEM for 6 plants.



**Supplemental Figure 2.** Stem extension rates in *N. sylvestris* lines. The extension rate was determined at 8 cm height of the stem. The graph shows the average  $\pm$  SEM for four growth experiments, each constituting 3-6 plants of each transgenic line.

**Supplemental Table 1.** Relative metabolite content of fully expanded leaves from *N. sylvestris*. Metabolites were determined as described in the Materials and Methods. Data are normalised with respect to the mean response calculated for the wild type. Values are presented as mean  $\pm$  SE of determinations on six individual plants per line. Values set in bold type were determined by the *t*-test to be significantly different ( $P < 0.05$ ) from the wild type.

Metabolites	WT	S2	S6	S8
Alanine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.16	0.86 $\pm$ 0.08	0.82 $\pm$ 0.08	0.84 $\pm$ 0.07
$\beta$ -alanine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.13	0.85 $\pm$ 0.06	0.87 $\pm$ 0.05	1.00 $\pm$ 0.08
Valine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.04	1.16 $\pm$ 0.07	1.00 $\pm$ 0.07	0.94 $\pm$ 0.08
Proline	1.00 $\pm$ 0.16	0.81 $\pm$ 0.08	0.94 $\pm$ 0.10	1.14 $\pm$ 0.26
Serine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.12	0.84 $\pm$ 0.07	0.93 $\pm$ 0.04	1.11 $\pm$ 0.06
Isoleucine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.09	1.38 $\pm$ 0.14	1.20 $\pm$ 0.14	0.93 $\pm$ 0.16
Phenylalanine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.08	1.05 $\pm$ 0.05	0.99 $\pm$ 0.02	1.03 $\pm$ 0.08
Glycine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.06	0.99 $\pm$ 0.05	0.87 $\pm$ 0.05	0.91 $\pm$ 0.05
Threonine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.12	1.13 $\pm$ 0.04	1.25 $\pm$ 0.06	0.94 $\pm$ 0.05
Allo-threonine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.12	1.14 $\pm$ 0.04	1.26 $\pm$ 0.06	0.95 $\pm$ 0.05
Gamma-amino butyrate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.17	0.85 $\pm$ 0.11	1.01 $\pm$ 0.17	1.12 $\pm$ 0.16
Glycolate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.02	0.92 $\pm$ 0.04	0.91 $\pm$ 0.03	<b>0.90 <math>\pm</math> 0.03</b>
Glycerate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.04	<b>1.15 <math>\pm</math> 0.05</b>	1.01 $\pm$ 0.03	1.09 $\pm$ 0.09
2-Oxoglutarate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.12	0.95 $\pm$ 0.06	0.87 $\pm$ 0.08	0.84 $\pm$ 0.07
Succinate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.10	0.89 $\pm$ 0.03	0.84 $\pm$ 0.04	0.85 $\pm$ 0.04
Fumarate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.08	0.93 $\pm$ 0.05	0.97 $\pm$ 0.07	0.94 $\pm$ 0.04
Maleate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.11	0.74 $\pm$ 0.10	0.75 $\pm$ 0.10	0.84 $\pm$ 0.08
Citrate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.08	0.99 $\pm$ 0.07	1.29 $\pm$ 0.22	1.29 $\pm$ 0.15
Malate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.03	<b>1.17 <math>\pm</math> 0.06</b>	1.04 $\pm$ 0.04	1.12 $\pm$ 0.09
Threonate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.03	1.10 $\pm$ 0.06	0.97 $\pm$ 0.05	1.09 $\pm$ 0.10
Nicotinate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.10	0.93 $\pm$ 0.02	0.86 $\pm$ 0.04	0.96 $\pm$ 0.07
2-methyl-malate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.11	<b>0.60 <math>\pm</math> 0.07</b>	0.96 $\pm$ 0.06	1.19 $\pm$ 0.08
Dehydroascorbate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.07	1.14 $\pm$ 0.11	1.05 $\pm$ 0.09	0.97 $\pm$ 0.03
Ascorbate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.04	1.29 $\pm$ 0.24	0.90 $\pm$ 0.04	1.04 $\pm$ 0.09
Shikimate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.04	<b>1.28 <math>\pm</math> 0.05</b>	<b>1.25 <math>\pm</math> 0.04</b>	<b>1.20 <math>\pm</math> 0.07</b>
Caffeic acid (trans)	1.00 $\pm$ 0.12	0.84 $\pm$ 0.13	0.83 $\pm$ 0.13	0.88 $\pm$ 0.09
Caffeoyl quinic acid (cis)	1.00 $\pm$ 0.15	0.86 $\pm$ 0.04	0.75 $\pm$ 0.08	0.66 $\pm$ 0.06
Caffeoyl quinic acid (trans)	1.00 $\pm$ 0.06	1.08 $\pm$ 0.05	1.03 $\pm$ 0.08	1.29 $\pm$ 0.12
Galactonic acid-1,4-lactone	1.00 $\pm$ 0.06	1.06 $\pm$ 0.03	1.06 $\pm$ 0.04	0.98 $\pm$ 0.01
Fructose	1.00 $\pm$ 0.06	<b>1.32 <math>\pm</math> 0.05</b>	1.14 $\pm$ 0.04	1.11 $\pm$ 0.08
Raffinose	1.00 $\pm$ 0.12	0.69 $\pm$ 0.06	0.77 $\pm$ 0.09	0.80 $\pm$ 0.05
Maltotriose	1.00 $\pm$ 0.08	1.24 $\pm$ 0.10	0.96 $\pm$ 0.10	0.85 $\pm$ 0.08
Sorbose	1.00 $\pm$ 0.03	1.13 $\pm$ 0.05	1.03 $\pm$ 0.02	1.14 $\pm$ 0.08
Maltose	1.00 $\pm$ 0.07	0.88 $\pm$ 0.04	<b>0.79 <math>\pm</math> 0.03</b>	1.00 $\pm$ 0.04
Trehalose	1.00 $\pm$ 0.07	1.02 $\pm$ 0.04	0.92 $\pm$ 0.02	0.94 $\pm$ 0.02
Isomaltose	1.00 $\pm$ 0.03	0.96 $\pm$ 0.10	0.77 $\pm$ 0.10	0.84 $\pm$ 0.07
Xylose	1.00 $\pm$ 0.08	1.05 $\pm$ 0.04	0.91 $\pm$ 0.07	0.91 $\pm$ 0.02
Sorbitol	1.00 $\pm$ 0.03	<b>1.15 <math>\pm</math> 0.05</b>	1.03 $\pm$ 0.02	1.12 $\pm$ 0.08
Galactinol	1.00 $\pm$ 0.15	0.97 $\pm$ 0.15	0.90 $\pm$ 0.06	0.88 $\pm$ 0.12
Glycerol	1.00 $\pm$ 0.05	1.10 $\pm$ 0.14	0.92 $\pm$ 0.02	0.86 $\pm$ 0.05
Myo-inositol,	1.00 $\pm$ 0.05	1.20 $\pm$ 0.08	1.01 $\pm$ 0.06	1.20 $\pm$ 0.13
Glucose-6-phosphate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.13	1.12 $\pm$ 0.10	0.84 $\pm$ 0.10	0.86 $\pm$ 0.12
Phosphoric acid	1.00 $\pm$ 0.18	1.30 $\pm$ 0.12	1.18 $\pm$ 0.19	1.00 $\pm$ 0.15
4-hydroxy-pyridine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.05	0.99 $\pm$ 0.09	0.87 $\pm$ 0.05	0.89 $\pm$ 0.04
Urea	1.00 $\pm$ 0.12	0.81 $\pm$ 0.08	0.81 $\pm$ 0.09	0.78 $\pm$ 0.08
Benzoic acid	1.00 $\pm$ 0.02	1.10 $\pm$ 0.03	0.99 $\pm$ 0.03	1.09 $\pm$ 0.08

**Supplemental Table 2.** Relative metabolite content of stems from *N.sylvestris*. Metabolites were determined as described in the Materials and Methods. Data are normalised with respect to the mean response calculated for the wild type. Values are presented as mean  $\pm$  SE of determinations on six individual plants per line. Values set in bold type were determined by *t*-test to be significantly different ( $P < 0.05$ ) from the wild type.

Metabolites	WT	S2	S6	S8
Alanine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.12	0.84 $\pm$ 0.12	0.70 $\pm$ 0.05	<b>0.63 <math>\pm</math> 0.06</b>
$\beta$ -alanine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.06	0.88 $\pm$ 0.04	0.86 $\pm$ 0.05	0.90 $\pm$ 0.05
Valine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.10	0.88 $\pm$ 0.07	1.08 $\pm$ 0.06	0.96 $\pm$ 0.07
Proline	1.00 $\pm$ 0.09	<b>0.64 <math>\pm</math> 0.05</b>	0.81 $\pm$ 0.08	0.90 $\pm$ 0.12
Serine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.05	0.86 $\pm$ 0.04	0.95 $\pm$ 0.04	0.96 $\pm$ 0.04
O-acetyl-serine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.13	0.83 $\pm$ 0.04	0.93 $\pm$ 0.07	0.75 $\pm$ 0.07
Isoleucine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.11	1.16 $\pm$ 0.13	<b>1.48 <math>\pm</math> 0.15</b>	1.24 $\pm$ 0.16
Methionine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.08	1.04 $\pm$ 0.08	1.02 $\pm$ 0.04	1.14 $\pm$ 0.14
Glutamate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.05	<b>0.79 <math>\pm</math> 0.04</b>	<b>0.81 <math>\pm</math> 0.03</b>	0.92 $\pm$ 0.10
Threonate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.06	0.98 $\pm$ 0.06	1.07 $\pm$ 0.07	0.94 $\pm$ 0.09
Glycerate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.07	1.10 $\pm$ 0.04	1.17 $\pm$ 0.09	0.86 $\pm$ 0.05
Gamma-amino buturate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.05	0.91 $\pm$ 0.07	0.83 $\pm$ 0.05	0.95 $\pm$ 0.10
Succinate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.05	1.04 $\pm$ 0.07	1.03 $\pm$ 0.05	0.99 $\pm$ 0.08
Fumarate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.12	1.05 $\pm$ 0.14	1.08 $\pm$ 0.17	0.91 $\pm$ 0.11
2-oxoglutarate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.04	1.06 $\pm$ 0.03	0.94 $\pm$ 0.05	<b>0.87 <math>\pm</math> 0.02</b>
Malate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.06	0.99 $\pm$ 0.02	1.13 $\pm$ 0.06	1.01 $\pm$ 0.05
Citrate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.09	1.14 $\pm$ 0.08	1.02 $\pm$ 0.08	0.91 $\pm$ 0.08
Pyroglutamate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.04	0.89 $\pm$ 0.04	0.93 $\pm$ 0.03	1.04 $\pm$ 0.05
Shikimate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.07	0.94 $\pm$ 0.06	1.05 $\pm$ 0.08	0.89 $\pm$ 0.09
Xylose	1.00 $\pm$ 0.04	1.13 $\pm$ 0.05	1.15 $\pm$ 0.06	1.00 $\pm$ 0.03
Raffinose	1.00 $\pm$ 0.13	0.90 $\pm$ 0.08	0.94 $\pm$ 0.13	1.09 $\pm$ 0.20
Fructose	1.00 $\pm$ 0.08	0.97 $\pm$ 0.06	1.05 $\pm$ 0.08	0.98 $\pm$ 0.08
Galactose	1.00 $\pm$ 0.09	1.00 $\pm$ 0.06	1.09 $\pm$ 0.13	0.90 $\pm$ 0.13
Galactonic acid	1.00 $\pm$ 0.04	1.11 $\pm$ 0.02	1.02 $\pm$ 0.04	0.93 $\pm$ 0.03
Glucaric acid-1,4-lactone	1.00 $\pm$ 0.16	1.28 $\pm$ 0.13	1.02 $\pm$ 0.18	1.23 $\pm$ 0.17
Myo-inositol	1.00 $\pm$ 0.04	1.03 $\pm$ 0.04	1.07 $\pm$ 0.05	1.00 $\pm$ 0.03
Dehydroascorbate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.05	1.07 $\pm$ 0.04	0.92 $\pm$ 0.05	1.04 $\pm$ 0.09
Ascorbate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.18	1.02 $\pm$ 0.10	0.67 $\pm$ 0.07	<b>0.37 <math>\pm</math> 0.08</b>
Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.05	0.94 $\pm$ 0.04	1.08 $\pm$ 0.04	0.96 $\pm$ 0.05
Fructose-6-phosphate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.09	0.83 $\pm$ 0.01	0.94 $\pm$ 0.04	0.96 $\pm$ 0.06
Glucose-6-phosphate	1.00 $\pm$ 0.09	0.85 $\pm$ 0.03	0.96 $\pm$ 0.05	0.90 $\pm$ 0.06
Trehalose	1.00 $\pm$ 0.02	<b>0.88 <math>\pm</math> 0.03</b>	<b>0.84 <math>\pm</math> 0.03</b>	0.96 $\pm$ 0.04
Tyramine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.11	0.85 $\pm$ 0.08	0.87 $\pm$ 0.06	<b>0.59 <math>\pm</math> 0.03</b>
Putrescine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.07	0.90 $\pm$ 0.10	0.85 $\pm$ 0.08	0.86 $\pm$ 0.10
Spermidine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.08	0.91 $\pm$ 0.06	1.06 $\pm$ 0.05	0.97 $\pm$ 0.03
Glycerol	1.00 $\pm$ 0.11	0.87 $\pm$ 0.04	0.99 $\pm$ 0.09	0.91 $\pm$ 0.10
4-hydroxy-pyridine	1.00 $\pm$ 0.09	0.88 $\pm$ 0.05	1.01 $\pm$ 0.09	0.86 $\pm$ 0.08
Quinic acid	1.00 $\pm$ 0.10	0.92 $\pm$ 0.06	1.04 $\pm$ 0.08	0.88 $\pm$ 0.09
Phosphoric acid	1.00 $\pm$ 0.07	0.93 $\pm$ 0.08	1.11 $\pm$ 0.09	0.97 $\pm$ 0.06
Benzoic acid	1.00 $\pm$ 0.25	0.59 $\pm$ 0.23	0.99 $\pm$ 0.30	0.97 $\pm$ 0.21
Uracil	1.00 $\pm$ 0.08	0.99 $\pm$ 0.10	1.07 $\pm$ 0.14	0.90 $\pm$ 0.09
Urea	1.00 $\pm$ 0.12	0.85 $\pm$ 0.07	1.13 $\pm$ 0.13	1.09 $\pm$ 0.08