

TABLE S1**Purification of recombinant RcPPC4 from 16 g of *E. coli***

Step	Activity	Protein	Specific Activity	Purification	Yield
	<i>units</i>	<i>mg</i>	<i>units/mg</i>	<i>-fold</i>	<i>%</i>
Clarified Extract	434	3,999	0.11	1	100
Ni ²⁺ -affinity FPLC	241	76	3.2	29	56
Superdex-200 FPLC	27	1.0	27	254	7

SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURE LEGENDS

FIGURE S1. BTPC and PTPC sequence alignment.

Several deduced PEPC sequences were aligned using the Clustal W software (<http://www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/clustalw2/index.html>). Residues with known catalytic and regulatory importance (1-8) are highlighted. The corresponding NCBI protein accession numbers are as follows: Maize-C4, P047111; AtPPC3, AAC24594; RcPPC3, ABR29876; AtPPC4 (BTPC), CAD56727; RcPPC4 (BTPC), ABR29877; *E. coli*, NP_290593.

FIGURE S2. Susceptibility of recombinant RcPPC4 to proteolysis by endogenous COS proteases or exogenous thrombin.

A clarified extract from stage VII developing COS was preincubated for 2 h at 25 °C to allow for complete cleavage of native RcPPC4 p118 subunits by endogenous proteases (7). Recombinant RcPPC4 (30 µg) was then incubated at 25 °C in 200-µl of this extract (COS extract), or with 30 mU of thrombin protease (*Thromb.*) (Novagen) in 50-µl of thrombin reaction buffer (20 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.4, 150 mM NaCl, 2.5 mM CaCl₂). Aliquots taken at the indicated times were boiled in SDS sample buffer and subjected to SDS-PAGE and immunoblotting with anti-(recombinant RcPPC4)-IgG (A) or anti-(RcPPC4 peptide)-IgG (B) (7). Each lane contains 700 ng of RcPPC4. It has been established that the 90-kDa immunoreactive polypeptide detected on the anti-(RcPPC4 peptide)-IgG immunoblots of clarified COS extracts arises from a non-specific cross-reaction of this IgG with a 90-kDa sucrose synthase subunit, rather than to a BTPC (7).

FIGURE S3. pH-activity profiles of recombinant PEPC isoforms.

Activities of recombinant AtPPC3 (●), RcPPC4 (▼), and chimeric Class-2 PEPC (○) were determined using standard assay conditions described under the “Experimental Procedures”, except that the PEP concentration was 16 mM and the pH was varied using a mixture of 25 mM Mes and 25 mM Bis-Tris-propane as the buffer. All values in represent the means of three different experiments and reproducible to within ± 10% of the mean value.

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Supplemental Fig. S1

X – catalytically critical residue
X – hydrophobic PEP binding pocket
X – glucose-6-P binding/interacting residue
X – conserved loops in plant-type PEPC, proximal to glucose-6-P binding site
X – Mg²⁺ binding site
S – phosphorylation site
X – aspartate/malate binding/interacting residue
X – intra-dimer salt bridge
X – HCO₃ binding base
K – monoubiquitination site

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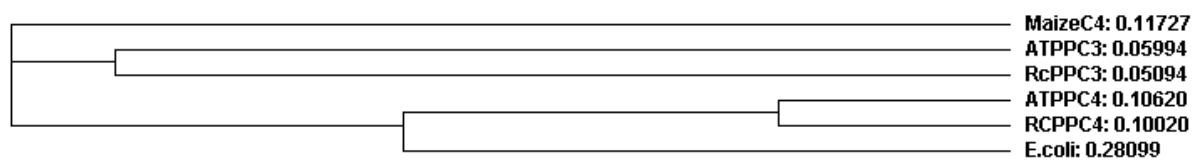
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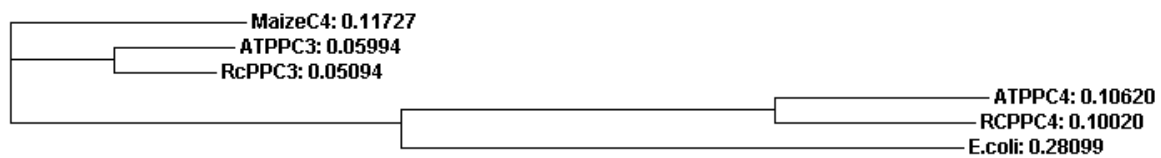
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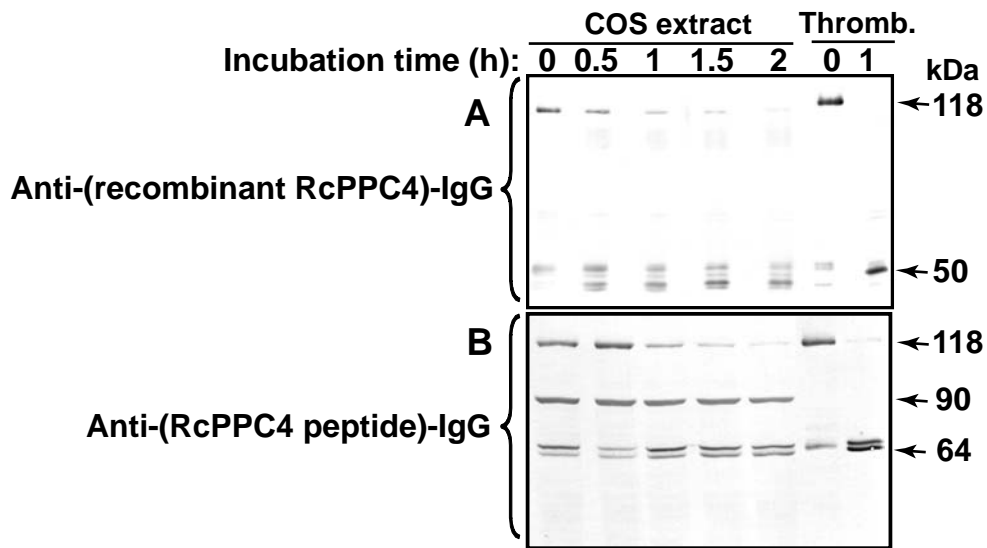
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Supplemental Fig. S2



Supplemental Fig. S3

