

Supporting Information

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SI Materials and Methods

Protein Extraction. Young expanding leaf tissue was sampled from selected R, S, and F₂ plants and frozen immediately in liquid nitrogen. The tissue was ground to a fine powder with 1% polyvinylpyrrolidone and transferred into a beaker containing extraction buffer [100 mM 3-(N-morpholino) propanesulfonic acid (Mops), 5 mM EDTA, 10% glycerin, 50 mM KCl, 0.5 mM benzamidine, 7.3 μM pepstatin, 25 mg/L trypsin inhibitor, and 4.2 μM leupeptin] and 5 mM β-mercaptoethanol. All subsequent extraction steps were carried out at 4°C. The mixture was homogenized with stirring, then centrifuged at 7,500 × g for 40 min. The supernatant was decanted through cheesecloth, then (NH₄)₂SO₄ was slowly added to reach 45% and stirred an additional 10 min. The mixture was centrifuged at 10,000 × g for 30 min, (NH₄)₂SO₄ was added to the supernatant to reach 70%, and the mixture was stirred an additional 10 min. After a final centrifugation at 10,000 × g for 30 min, the pellet was collected and dissolved in extraction buffer. Dissolved protein was desalted (Zeba desalt spin columns; Pierce) and quantified (Bradford-based Bio-Rad protein assay reagent).

EPSPS Quantification and Activity Assay. TSP was separated on 12% SDS-polyacrylamide gels. Thirty micrograms of TSP were loaded in each lane for plants with <20 relative EPSPS copies, whereas 15 μg TSP were loaded in each lane for plants with >20 relative EPSPS copies. After electrophoresis, proteins were transferred to polyvinylidene difluoride membranes (Millipore). Membranes were

incubated with primary antibodies against recombinant maize EPSPS at a dilution of 1:2,000. Alexa Fluor 635-labeled goat anti-rabbit secondary antibodies (Invitrogen) were used at a dilution of 1:3,000. Bands were visualized by scanning membranes with a Bio-Rad PharosFX image system equipped with an external 635-nm laser (Bio-Rad), and signals were quantified with Bio-Rad Quantity One software. Membrane signals were normalized according to TSP loading quantity.

A continuous assay for inorganic phosphate release (1) was conducted with a phosphate detection kit (Molecular Probes) to assay for EPSPS activity. The reaction buffer consisted of ultrapure HPLC-grade water, 50 mM Mops, 10 mM MgCl₂, 1 mM Na₂MoO₄, 100 mM NaF, 0.2 mM 2-amino, 6-mercapto, 7-methylpurine riboside, 1 U purine-nucleoside phosphorylase, 1.25 mM phosphoenolpyruvate, and glyphosate. Each sample was assayed in triplicate at glyphosate concentrations of 0, 0.1, 1, 5, 10, 25, 50, 100, 500, 1,000, 2,500, and 5,000 μM. This reaction mixture was measured continuously in a spectrophotometer using 5 μg (39 and 54 relative EPSPS genomic copies), 25 μg (8 relative EPSPS genomic copies), or 50 μg (1 relative EPSPS genomic copy) TSP extract. After obtaining a background phosphate release level, the final step was addition of shikimate-3-phosphate to 0.5 mM. Phosphate release was measured for 10 min, and a slope was calculated to determine micromoles of phosphate released per microgram TSP per minute.

1. Webb MR (1992) A continuous spectrophotometric assay for inorganic phosphate and for measuring phosphate release kinetics in biological systems. *Proc Natl Acad Sci USA* 89:4884–4887.

P11043 <i>Petunia x hybrida</i>	97	LGNAGTAMRPLTAAVT	112...306	VKGPPRSSGKHLRAIDVNM	326
P23981 <i>Nicotiana tabacum</i>		LGNAGTAMRPLTAAVT	...	VKGPPRNSSGMKHLRAVDVNM	
DQ166525 <i>Fagus sylvatica</i>		LGNAGTAMRPLTAAVT	...	VTGPPQDSSKHLRAIDVNM	
FJ869880 <i>A. tuberculatus</i>		LGNAGTAMRPLTAAVA	...	VTGPPRESSGKHLRAIDVNM	
FJ861242 <i>A. palmeri</i> S		LGNAGTAMRPLTAAVA	...	VTGPPRDSSGKHLRAIDVNM	
FJ861243 <i>A. palmeri</i> R		LGNAGTAMRPLTAAVA	...	VTGPPRDSSGKHLRAIDVNM	
NM_001063247.1 <i>Oryza sativa</i>		LGNAGTAMRPLTAAVT	...	VTGPPREPYGKHLKAVDVNM	
DQ153168.2 <i>Lolium multiflorum</i>		LGNAGTAMRPLTAAVV	...	VTGPPRQPFGRKHLKAVDVNM	
AF349754.1 <i>Lolium rigidum</i>		LGNAGTAMRPLTAAVV	...	VTGPXRQPFGRKHXXAVDVNM	
NM_130093.2 <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i>		LGNAGTAMRPLTAAVT	...	VTGPPRDAFGMRHLRAIDVNM	

Fig. S1. Glyphosate-resistant *A. palmeri* do not exhibit mutation at Pro106. Alignment of mature plant EPSPS amino acid sequences (GenBank accession numbers indicated), including consensus EPSPS sequence from seven glyphosate-resistant (R) and two glyphosate-susceptible (S) *A. palmeri* individuals. †No polymorphisms detected in R sequence at Pro106; ‡Polymorphism between R and S *A. palmeri*.

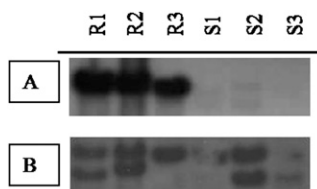


Fig. S2. DNA blot hybridizations suggest that EPSPS genomic copy number is higher in glyphosate-resistant than in glyphosate-susceptible *A. palmeri* individuals. Ten micrograms of genomic DNA from three resistant individuals (samples R1–R3) and three susceptible individuals (samples S1–S3) were digested with *Dra*I, fractionated on 1% (wt/vol) agarose gels, and transferred to nylon membranes. Blots were then hybridized with a glyphosate-susceptible *A. palmeri* ³²P-dCTP labeled EPSPS cDNA (A) or ALS cDNA (B), washed at high stringency, and subjected to autoradiography. Similar results were obtained with other restriction enzymes and genomic templates.