



Supplementary data 6. Gene ontology (GO) biological processes up-/down-regulated in inner-/outer stem tissues; **a)** inner stem tissues, percentage genes in different GO biological process categories that are up-regulated (log2ratio >1.5, left) and down-regulated (log2ratio <1.5, right) in upper (U), middle (M) and lower L) stem samples as compared to expression levels in whole inner stem tissue sample. **b)** outer stem tissues, percentage genes in different GO biological process categories that are up-regulated (log2ratio >1.5, left) and down-regulated (log2ratio <1.5, right) in upper (U), middle (M) and lower L) stem samples as compared to expression levels in whole outer stem tissue sample.