

Table S2. Univariate statistical analysis of the viability of CAX mutant seeds in response to metal stress. The viability of Col-0 (wild type) and *cax* knockout seeds was determined 10 d after sowing on 1% agar medium alone or supplemented with 25 mM CaCl₂, 10 μM CdCl₂, 10 mM LiCl, 50 mM NaCl, 25 mM MgCl₂, or 1.5 mM MnCl₂. Following sowing, seeds were stratified for 2 d at 4°C in the dark then incubated at 22°C under a 16 h light/8 h dark cycle. Any seeds not germinated after 10 d were considered non-viable. A two-way ANOVA with Tukey post-hoc test on the viability of seeds of the various mutants in response to metal stress identified the following significant differences (* $P < 0.05$); $n = 105$.

| Genotype | Col-0 | <i>cax1</i> | <i>cax2</i> | <i>cax3</i> | <i>cax1/cax2</i> |
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| Col-0 | | | | | |
| <i>cax1</i> | | | | | |
| <i>cax2</i> | | | | | |
| <i>cax3</i> | | | | | |
| <i>cax1/cax2</i> | * | * | * | | |
| <i>cax2/cax3</i> | | | | | |