

## Supplementary material:

**Table 1:** Identification of selected ESTs of each gene family by standalone BLAST

EST IDs	No. of selected ESTs after BLAST analysis	EST IDs	No. of selected ESTs after BLAST analysis
<b>17.3 KDa class II heat shock protein (Hsp17.3)</b>			
gi   107954700	2	gi   108954720	113
gi   108954815	4	gi   108955108	147
gi   108955133	15	gi   108955061	148
gi   108954762	30	gi   108954987	367
<b>Desiccation protective protein LEA5</b>			
gi   108954782	36	gi   108954830	84
gi   108954989	82	gi   108954970	84
<b>DnaJ heat shock N-terminal domain containing protein</b>			
gi   108954994	17		
<b>Hsp70-60 KDachaperonin</b>			
gi   108954655	22	gi   108955170	22
gi   108955006	22		
<b>Type 2 metallothionein</b>			
gi   108955024	126	gi   108954648	500
gi   108955082	126	gi   108954669	500
gi   108955151	126	gi   108955131	500

**Table 2:** Selection of putative candidate genes with the help of TAIR and WISE2 result

Family Name	Assembled Contigs	TAIR Result	E-Value	Description	WISE2 Result	WISE2 Score (in bits)	
17KDa Class II Heat Shock Protein	108954762	<i>Arabidopsis</i> Gene Id AT5G12030.1	5.00E-04	At-Heat Shock Protein 17.6 Kda	Exon position 96-554	215.62	
	108954815	AT5G37670.1	2.00E-08	HSP20-like chaperones superfamily protein	55-489	213.46	
	<b>108955061</b>	<b>AT2G29500.1</b>	<b>7.00E-25</b>	<b>HSP20-like chaperones superfamily protein</b>	<b>238-687</b>	<b>283.27</b>	
		AT3G46230.1	2.00E-21	At Heat Shock Protein 17.4 Kda	238-687	266.81	
	<b>108955108</b>	<b>AT2G29500.1</b>	<b>7.00E-25</b>	<b>HSP20-like chaperones superfamily protein</b>	<b>238-687</b>	<b>283.27</b>	
		AT3G46230.1	2.00E-21	At-Heat Shock Protein 17.4 Kda	238-687	266.81	
	DnaJ heat shock protein	<b>108954994</b>	<b>AT5G01390.4</b>	<b>1.00E-23</b>	<b>DnaJ heat shock family protein</b>	<b>205-1023</b>	<b>409.42</b>
		<b>108954648</b>	<b>AT3G09390.1</b>	<b>7.00E-09</b>	<b>At Metallothionein-1</b>	<b>115-354</b>	<b>146.79</b>
			AT5G02380.1	0.096	Cysteine-rich protein with copper-binding activity	115-354	130.76
	Type 2 Metallothionein	<b>108954669</b>	<b>AT3G09390.1</b>	<b>7.00E-09</b>	<b>At Metallothionein-1</b>	<b>115-354</b>	<b>146.79</b>
		AT5G02380.1	0.096	Cysteine-rich protein with copper-binding activity	115-354	130.76	
108955024		AT3G15353.1	1.00E-06	Metallothionein, binds to and detoxifies excess copper and other metals	72-266	89.56	
108955082		AT3G15353.1	1.00E-06	Metallothionein, binds to and detoxifies excess copper and other metals	72-266	89.56	
<b>108955131</b>		<b>AT3G09390.1</b>	<b>7.00E-09</b>	<b>At Metallothionein-1</b>	<b>115-354</b>	<b>146.79</b>	
		AT5G02380.1	0.096	Cysteine-rich protein with copper-binding activity	115-354	130.76	
	108955151	AT3G15353.1	1.00E-06	Metallothionein, binds to and detoxifies excess copper and other metals	72-266	89.56	

**Table 3:** Best predicted model with their C-Score, TM Score and RMSD value where C-Score is the confidence score for the predicted model, TM-score is a measure of global structural similarity between query and template protein and Root Mean Square Deviation is the RMSD between residues that are structurally aligned by TM-align.

Best predicted model			
Best Model	C-Score	TM Score	RMSD
HSP best Model 1	0.3	0.75 ± 0.10	4.2 ± 2.8Å
DnaJ best Model 1	-3.18	0.36 ± 0.12	14.2 ± 3.8Å
Type 2 metallothionein 1	-2.98	0.38 ± 0.13	10.0 ± 4.6Å

**Table 4:** Identified best two structural analogs in PDB where Coverage represents the coverage of global structural alignment and is equal to the number of structurally aligned residues divided by length of the query protein.

Top 2 Identified structural analogs in PDB				
Gene Family	PDB Hit	TM-score	RMSD	Coverage
HSP	1gmeA	0.864	1.47	0.908
	2byuI	0.613	0.54	0.621
DnaJ	1nltA	0.62	1.7	0.651
	3agzA	0.484	2.78	0.549
Type 2 metallothionein	1sj8A	0.486	3.97	0.914
	2o8rA	0.467	3.78	0.864

**Table 5:** Best template protein for similar binding sites.

Template proteins with similar binding site						
Gene Family	Cscore <sup>LB</sup>	PDB Hit	TM-score	RMSD	BS-score	Ligand Name
HSP	0.04	3l1e0	0.493	2.79	1.03	PEPTIDE
DnaJ	0.18	3agyB	0.461	2.73	1.52	PEPTIDE
Type 2 metallothionein	0.01	3hkeB	0.459	4.07	0.57	T13