

Supplementary Information for

Mutations in *EDM2* selectively affect silencing states of transposons and induce plant developmental plasticity

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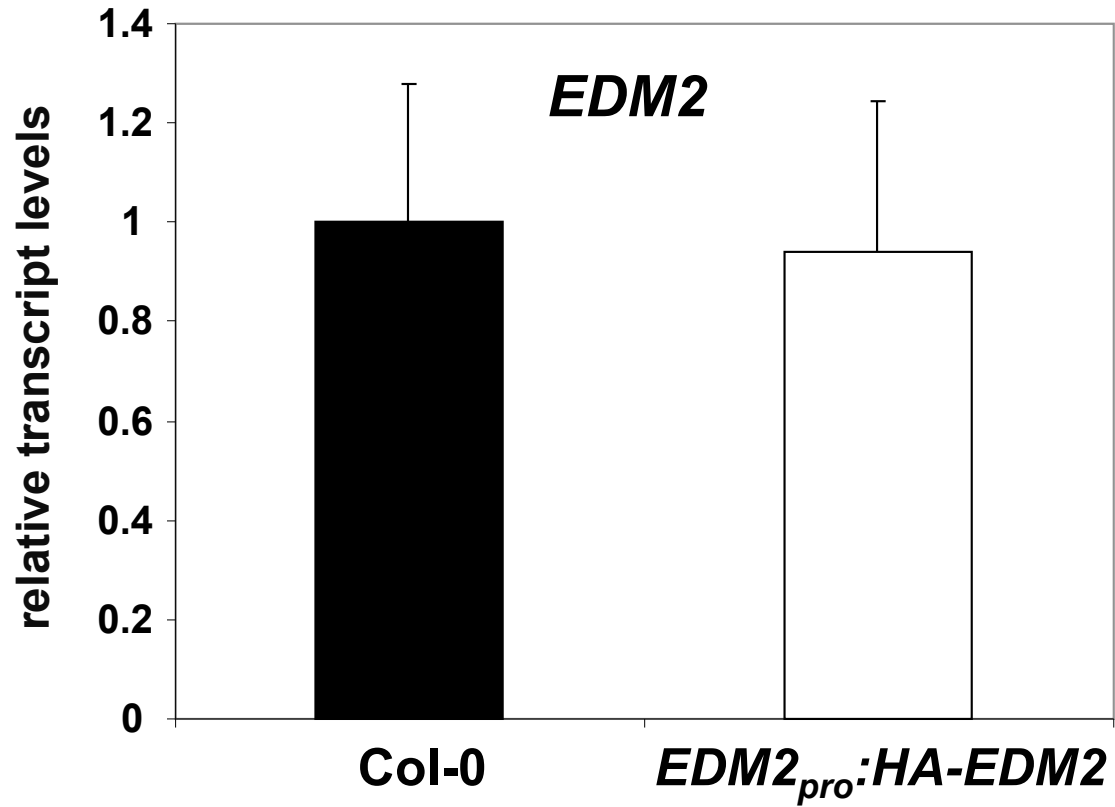
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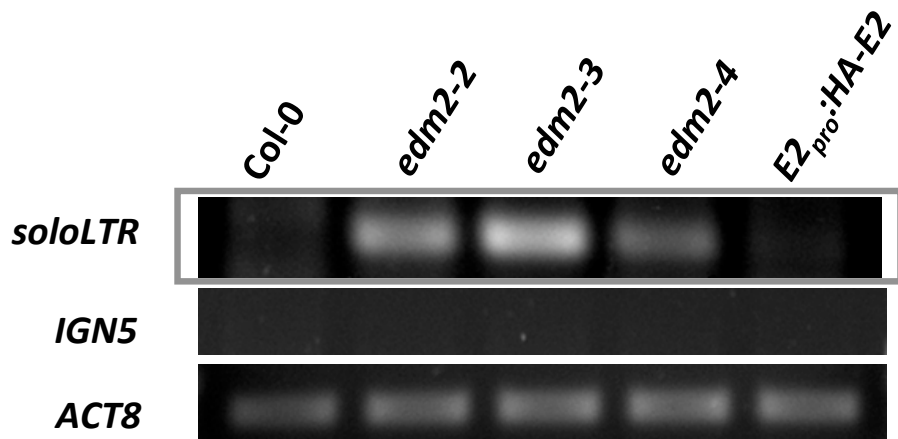
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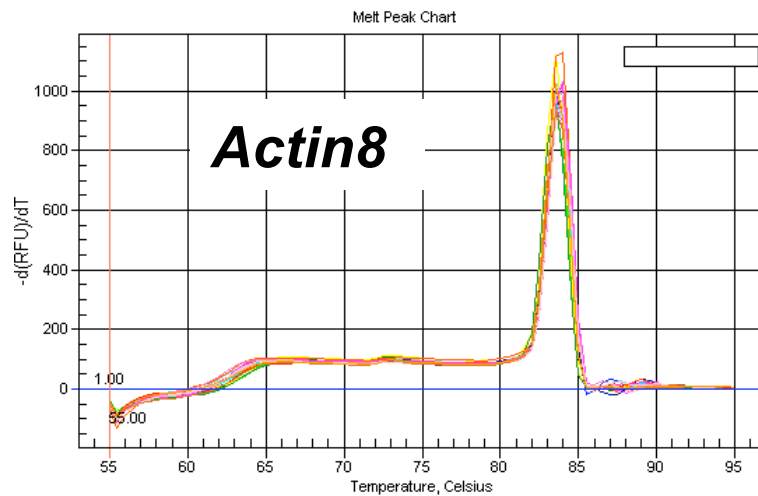
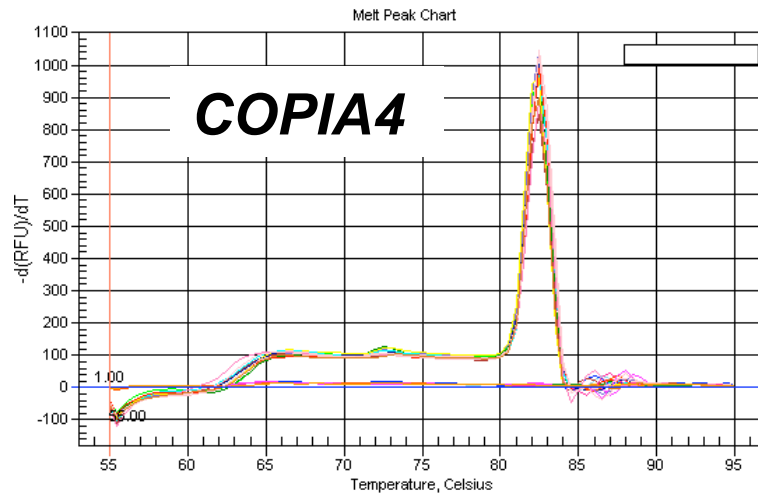
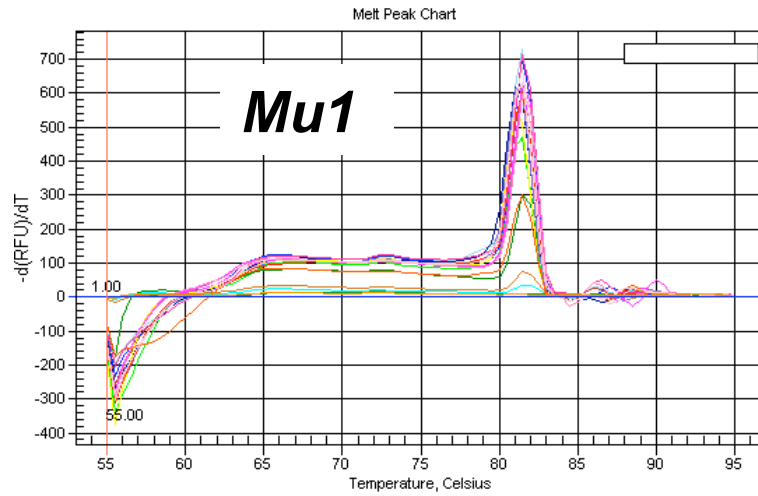
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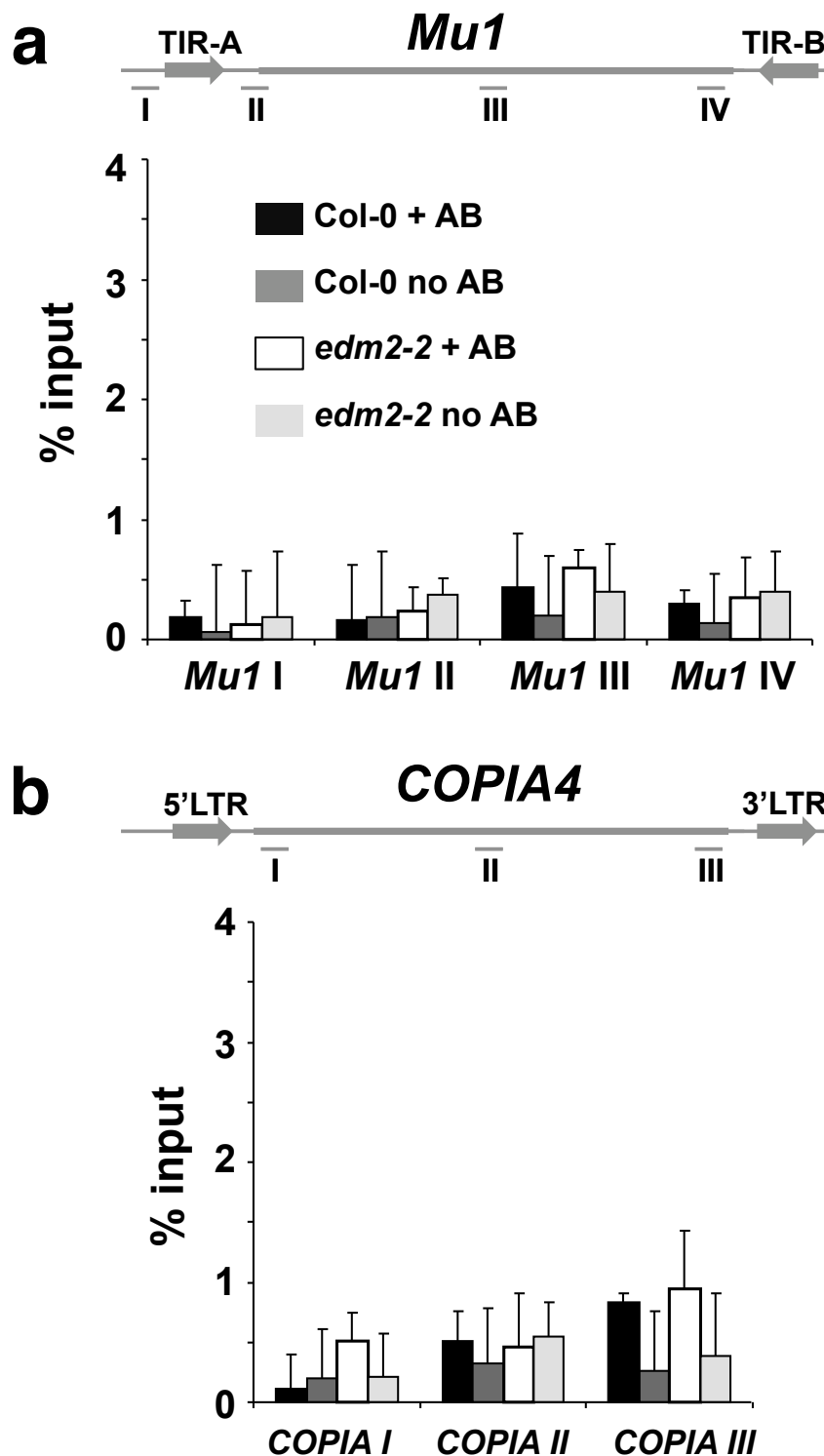
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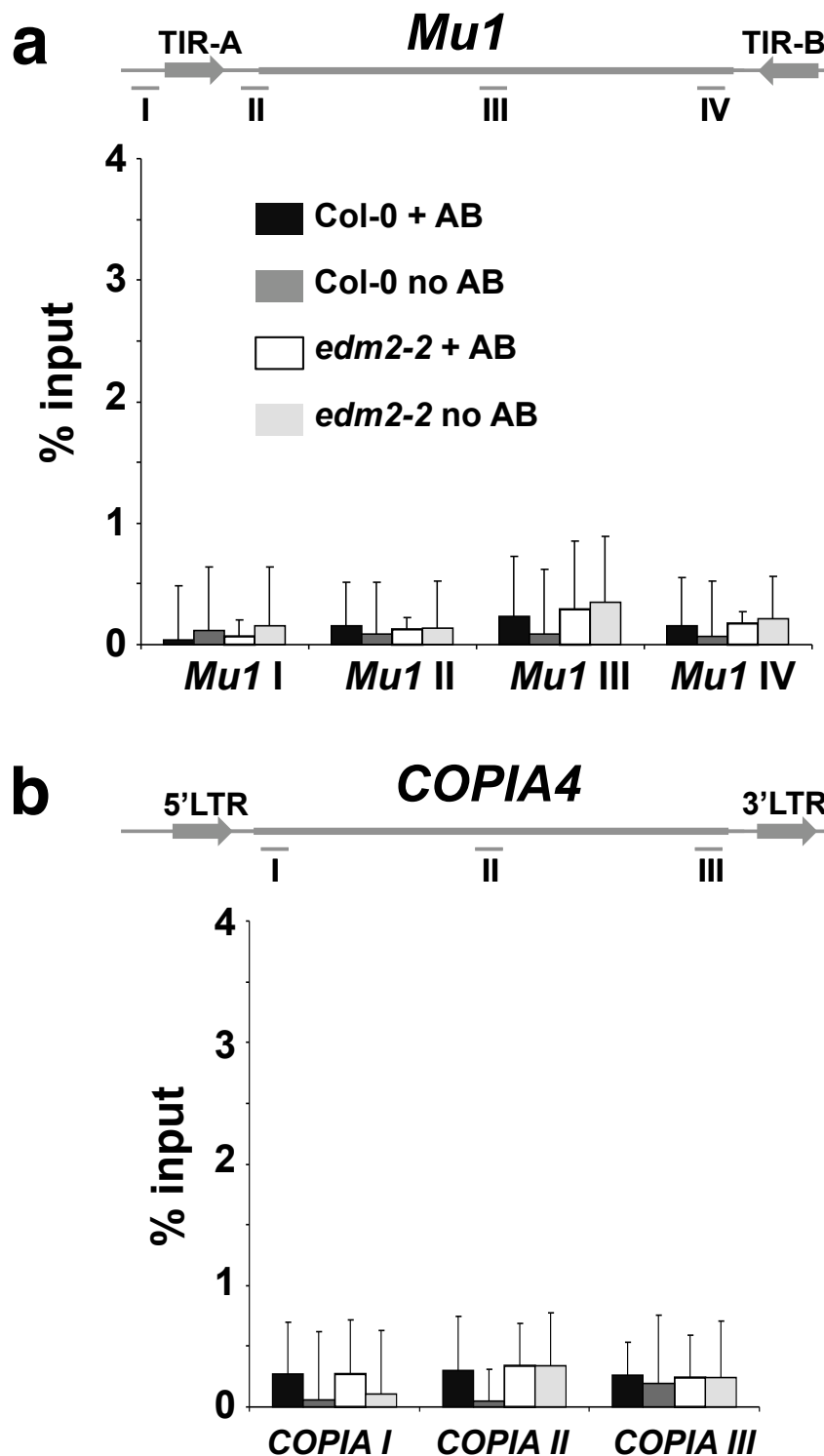
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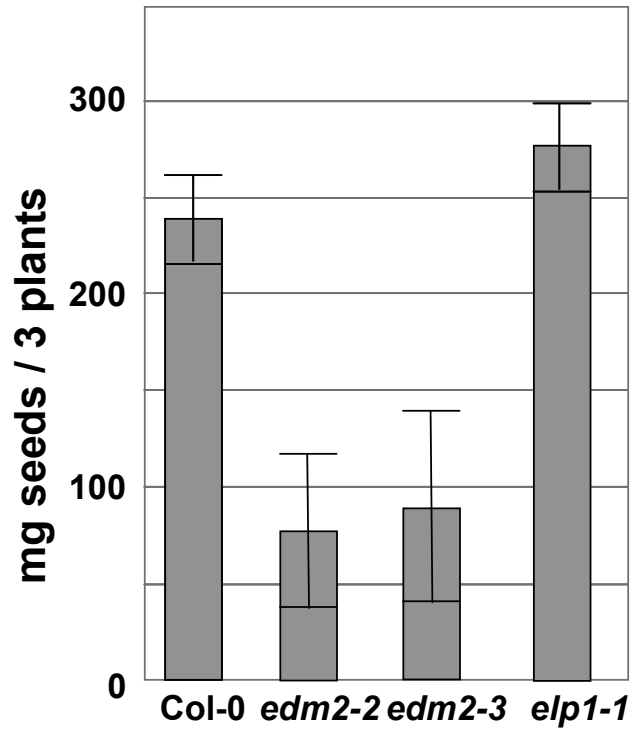
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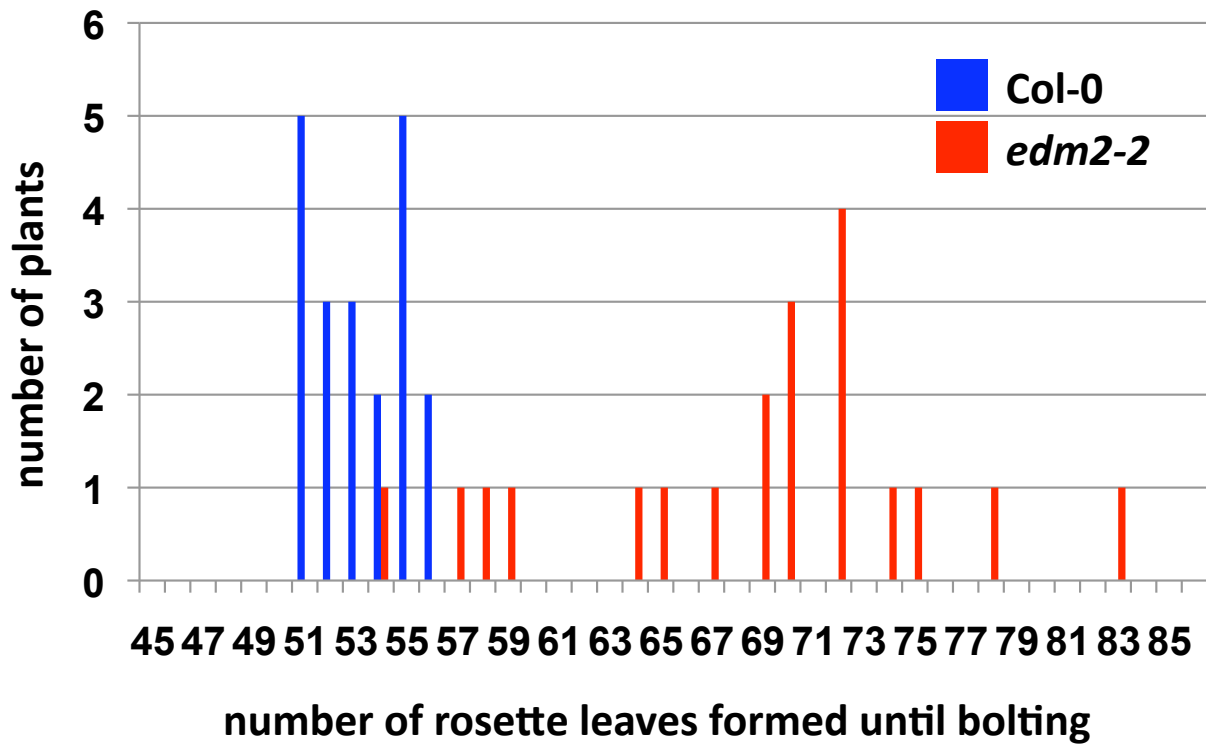
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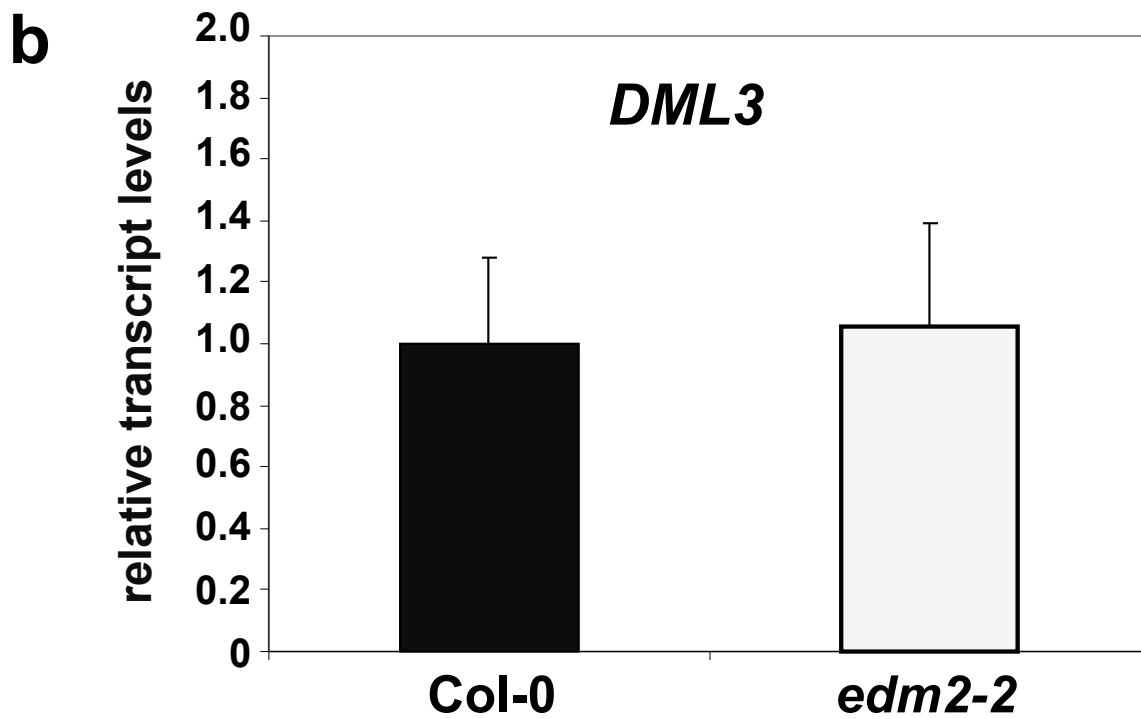
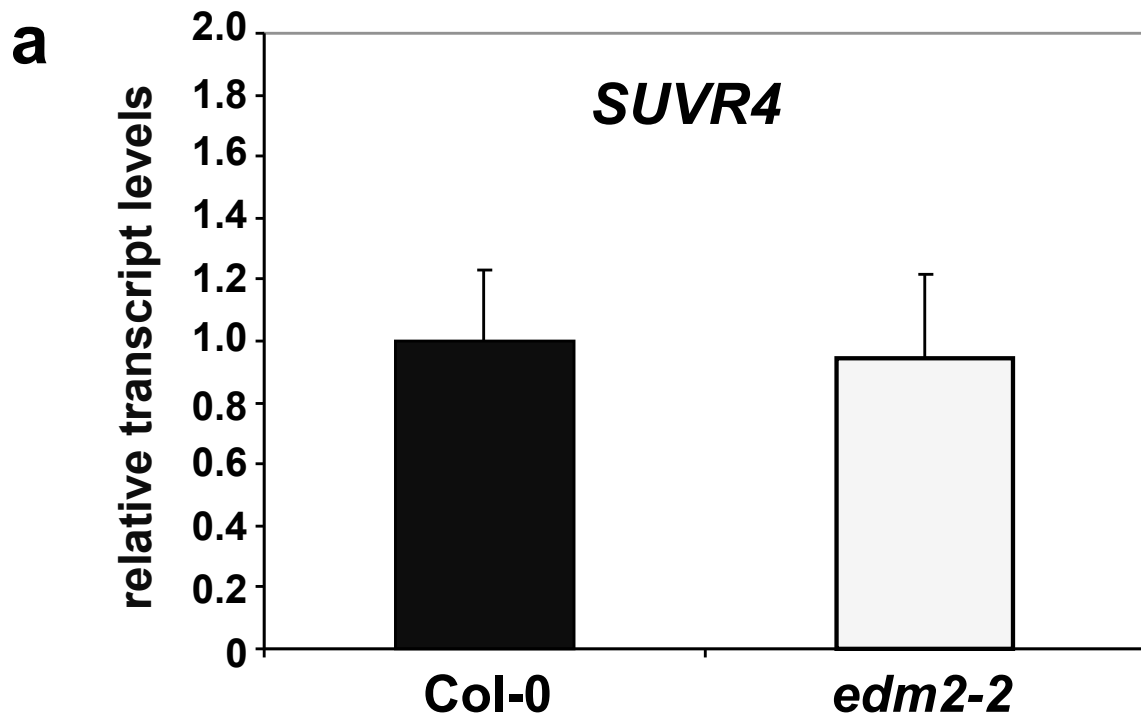
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Supplementary Figure S6. Reduced fertility of *edm2* mutant plants documented by reduced quantity of seeds. Seeds were harvested from a bulk of 3 plants per replicate. Total of 6 replicates was taken and average weight is shown. Error bars represent standard deviations.



Supplementary Figure S7. Variation in the timing of floral transition of *edm2* mutant plants. The number of rosette leaves formed until bolting is used as a proxy for the transition from vegetative to reproductive growth. The shown data are from experiments described previously², where they were, however, displayed as averages with Standard errors of the mean.



Supplementary Figure S8. Transcript levels of *SUVR4* and *DML3* in *edm2-2*. Transcript levels of *SUVR4* (a) and *DML3* (b) were determined by qRT-PCR.

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Supplementary Table S1

Gene	AGI number	ATH1 probe	Fold change	P-value (FDR)
H3K9 methyltransferases and demethylase				
<i>KYP/SUVH4</i>	AT5G13960	250212_at	1.1278	0.5288
<i>SUVH5</i>	AT2G35160	266539_at	0.9238	0.8010
<i>SUVH6</i>	AT2G22740	265347_at	1.0910	0.8801
<i>SUVR4</i>	AT3G04380	no probes on ATH1		
<i>SUVR5</i>	AT2G23740	267290_at	1.1398	0.7869
		267291_at	1.0573	0.9144
		267292_at	0.9851	0.9709
<i>SUVH2</i>	AT2G33290	255796_at	1.0787	0.8270
<i>IBM1</i>	AT3G07610	259252_at	1.0261	0.9487
H3K27me1 methyltransferases				
<i>ATXR5</i>	AT5G09790	250492_at	1.0654	0.7945
<i>ATXR6</i>	AT5G24330	249788_at	1.1307	0.4572
DNA methyltransferases, demethylases and related				
<i>MET1</i>	AT5G49160	248597_at	0.9717	0.9471
<i>CMT3</i>	AT1G69770	260417_at	1.2581	0.2309
<i>DRM2</i>	AT5G14620	250139_at	0.9797	0.9694
		250140_at	0.8686	0.6982
<i>DRM3</i>	AT3G17310	258416_at	1.2473	0.5781
<i>DME</i>	AT5G04560	250834_at	1.0289	0.9130
		250835_at	1.1950	0.5535
		250836_at	1.0771	0.9418
<i>ROS1</i>	AT2G36490	263909_at	1.1341	0.7536
<i>DML2</i>	AT3G10010	258931_at	0.9673	0.9189
<i>DML3</i>	AT4G34060	no probes on ATH1		
<i>ROS3</i>	AT5G58130	247849_at	1.1278	0.6582

P-value (FDR): False Discovery Rate adjusted P-value.

No significant changes of transcript levels in *edm2-2* are represented by P-values > 0.05).

Supplementary Table S2. Oligonucleotides used in this study.

Primer name	Sequences (5'→3')	Comments
Primers for genotyping of T-DNA mutants		
SALK_0145 20 LP	TAGCCGTCTTGTGACACAGTG	<i>edm2-2</i> genotyping
SALK_0145 20 RP	CCGATGAAGATGAATTGGATG	<i>edm2-2</i> genotyping
SALK_1459 92 LP	ATCGCCATTGTAGGTGAAGTG	<i>elp1-1</i> genotyping
SALK_1459 92 RP	TCTTCTTTACCTTGATCCATCG	<i>elp1-1</i> genotyping
SALK_0414 74 LP	ACTGGTGAACCAGCTGGTATG	<i>kyp-6</i> genotyping
SALK_0414 74 RP	TGAGGGGTACCTGTTCAATTG	<i>kyp-6</i> genotyping
LB salk	ACCACCATCAAACAGGATTTTC	T-DNA left border primer for SALK lines
Primers for <i>EDM2_{pro}:HA-EDM2</i> construct		
HA:EDM2G W-F1	ATGTACCCATACGATGTTCCAGATTACGCTATGACGTTTCGTTGACG ATGA	Amplify full-length <i>EDM2</i> cDNA containing the HA-tag sequence. Used with EDM2GW-R in primary PCR
HA:EDM2G W-F2	GGGGACAAGTTTGTACAAAAAAGCAGGCTTCACAATGTACCCATAC GATGTTCCAGA	Amplify full-length <i>EDM2</i> cDNA containing the HA-tag sequence. Used with EDM2GW-R in secondary PCR
EDM2GW-R	GGGGACCACTTTGTACAAGAAAGCTGGGTCCTAGTCATTAATCCAA CCGCC	Amplify full-length <i>EDM2</i> cDNA containing the HA-tag sequence.
NOS_{term}-F	AAA <u>ACTAGTGA</u> ATTTCCCGATCGTTCAAACAT	Amplify NOS terminator sequence. Contains <u>SpeI</u> site.
NOS_{term}-R	AAGAGCTCAGTAACATAGATGACACCGCGC	Amplify NOS terminator sequence. Contains <u>SacI</u> site.
EDM2_{pro}-F	AAAAAAGCTTGAAGCAGCTAACGAATAGAGCA	Amplify native <i>EDM2</i> promoter sequence. Contains <u>HindIII</u> site.
EDM2_{pro}-R	TTGGCGCGCCTCAATCCCAAATTCCCTTAACC	Amplify native <i>EDM2</i> promoter sequence. Contains <u>Ascl</u> site.
Primers for RT-PCR		
Mu1-F	TTGAATGAGGAACACATACTTG	RT-PCR for <i>Mu1</i> Real-time PCR
Mu1-R	GAATTAATGACTTCGCTCTTGCT	RT-PCR for <i>Mu1</i> Real-time PCR
COPIA4-F	GCAAACGCTGCATCTGAAGTT	RT-PCR for <i>COPIA4</i> Real-time PCR
COPIA4-R	TGTTGCGAACGAAATGGTAGTC	RT-PCR for <i>COPIA4</i> Real-time PCR

JP1565	GATTCTTACTGTAAAGAACATGGCATTGAGAGA	RT-PCR for <i>Ta3</i> ¹ Real-time PCR
JP1566	TCCAAATTTCTGAGGTGCTTGTAACC	RT-PCR for <i>Ta3</i> Real-time PCR
SP15	AACAAAAGCATCATTCTACTTAAC	RT-PCR for <i>CACTA1</i> ²
SP40	AGGCCTACAATGGAAATGACG	RT-PCR for <i>CACTA1</i>
ATS15	ACCAACGTGCTGTTGGCCCAGTGGTAAATC	RT-PCR for <i>SN1</i> ³
AtSN1-F4	AAAATAAGTGGTGGTTGTACAAGC	RT-PCR for <i>SN1</i>
LINE1-4-F	ATATTGCAGGGGAAGAAAAACCA	RT-PCR for <i>LINE1-4</i>
LINE1-4-R	GACTGTGCCGTGTTGTGTGAGA	RT-PCR for <i>LINE1-4</i>
TSR1	CGTGAATCAAACAATGCATC	Reverse-transcription for <i>TSI</i> ⁴
TSP1F	GAACTCATGGATACCCTAAAATAC	RT-PCR for <i>TSI</i>
TSP1R	CTCTACCCTTTGCATTCATGAATC	RT-PCR for <i>TSI</i>
IGN5_B-F	CGCAGCGGAATTGACATCCTATC	RT-PCR for <i>IGN5</i> region B ⁵ . Used for reverse-transcription
IGN5_B-R	TCGGAAAGAGACTCTCCGCTAGAAA	RT-PCR for <i>IGN5</i> region B
soloLTR_A A221	ATCAATTATTATGTCATGTTAAAACCGATTG	RT-PCR for <i>soloLTR</i> region A ⁵ . Used for reverse-transcription
soloLTR_A A222	TGTTTCGAGTTTTATTCTCTCTAGTCTTCATT	RT-PCR for <i>soloLTR</i> region A
FWA-F	CGACGCTGCAGAGACACTGC	RT-PCR for <i>FLOWERING WAGENINGEN</i>
FWA-R	AGTTGAGAGTCATTGCTGTGCT	RT-PCR for <i>FLOWERING WAGENINGEN</i>
BNS-F	TACGGCTGCATTGTTTCTACCAGTA	RT-PCR for <i>BONSAI</i>
BNS-R	AGGCAAAGTGCCCTCATCCAC	RT-PCR for <i>BONSAI</i>
RTPCR5S1	GGATGCGATCATACCAG	RT-PCR for <i>5S rDNA</i> ⁶
5SUNIV2	CGAAAAGGTATCACATGCC	RT-PCR for <i>5S rDNA</i> . Used for reverse-transcription
106B-F	TTGATTGATAGATCCCTTCTGGA	RT-PCR for <i>106B</i> repeats ⁶
106B-R	CGAGGATGGGGTAATTGAGT	RT-PCR for <i>106B</i> repeats. Used for reverse-transcription
180(all)-F	ACCATCAAAGCCTTGAGAAGCA	RT-PCR for 180bp centromer repeat ⁶ . Used for reverse-transcription
180(all)-R	CCGTATGAGTCTTTGTCTTTGTATCTTCT	RT-PCR for 180bp centromer repeat
SUVR4-F	TATTGACCAACACGGAGTTATACGAT	RT-PCR for <i>SUVR4</i> Real-time PCR

SUVR4-R	TGTGATTGATAAACCTTGCGACA	RT-PCR for <i>SUVR4</i> Real-time PCR
DML3-F	TTTAAACTTTTAGACACAAGACGGAT	RT-PCR for <i>DML3</i> Real-time PCR
DML3-R	TTTGGCCCTCTCTCATCAGG	RT-PCR for <i>DML3</i> Real-time PCR
EDM2-F	CTTGGACCCCATGTTAGCTC	RT-PCR for <i>EDM2</i> Real-time PCR
EDM2-R	TTAAGAGATTATGTCCGCTAGGTT	RT-PCR for <i>EDM2</i> Real-time PCR
ACT8-F1	ATGAAGATTAAGGTCGTGGCAC	RT-PCR for <i>ACTIN8</i>
ACT8-R1	GTTTTTATCCGAGTTTGAAGAGGC	RT-PCR for <i>ACTIN8</i>
ACT8-F2	CAGTGTCTGGATTGGTGGTTCTATC	RT-PCR for <i>ACTIN8</i> Real-time PCR
ACT8-R2	ATCCCGTCATGGAAACGATGT	RT-PCR for <i>ACTIN8</i> Real-time PCR
Primers for chop-PCR		
Mu1 meth-F1	TAGGCAACTGTTTGTGGTTAAGACATC	Chop-PCR for <i>HpyCH4IV</i> and <i>BglII</i> sites in <i>Mu1</i>
Mu1 meth-R1	GACACCATTTTCCAACGCTCT	Chop-PCR for <i>HpyCH4IV</i> and <i>BglII</i> sites in <i>Mu1</i>
Mu1 meth-R2	TGGGTTTTGAGAATGAATTTCTTCAACAT	Chop-PCR for <i>AflIII</i> site in <i>Mu1</i> . Used with Mu1 meth F1
COPIA4 meth-F1	ACCACTTTTCTGTCTATGTACTTGTCT	Chop-PCR for <i>HpyCH4IV</i> and <i>BglII</i> sites in <i>COPIA4</i>
COPIA4 meth-R1	TTTGTTCCGGTTGCTTCTATACCAA	Chop-PCR for <i>HpyCH4IV</i> and <i>BglII</i> sites in <i>COPIA4</i>
COPIA4 meth-F2	CTCACTCAAGCTTCGGTTCC	Chop-PCR for <i>HaeIII</i> site in <i>COPIA4</i>
COPIA4 meth-R2	TACTCGTAGACGCTCATAATTCGG	Chop-PCR for <i>HaeIII</i> site in <i>COPIA4</i>
Primers for Bisulfite sequencing		
Mu1 ConF1	TTTAGTTATGGGTTGGTAATTGTA	Bisulfite sequencing for <i>Mu1</i> ⁷
Mu1 ConR	CTTCTTAACCTTCTTTTCAATCTAAA	Bisulfite sequencing for <i>Mu1</i>
COPIA4-BS-F	TTTGAAYAGAGTTTTTTCGYCGTTAGTTACG	Bisulfite sequencing for <i>COPIA4</i>
COPIA4-BS-R	ATAACTRAACCACARATTCARACCCATTTTCATTT	Bisulfite sequencing for <i>COPIA4</i>
Primers for ChIP		
Mu1 ChIP I_F	CACAGGTCAAGCCCTCGATT	ChIP for <i>Mu1</i> region I
Mu1 ChIP I_R	CAGCCCTTTTAAGATATCACTCGTTG	ChIP for <i>Mu1</i> region I
Mu1 ChIP II_F	GATTTTGTATTAATTTTATCTTGTTCCGA	ChIP for <i>Mu1</i> region II
Mu1 ChIP II_R	CGCTCTTCACTCTCTGATTCGTT	ChIP for <i>Mu1</i> region II

Mu1 ChIP III_F	ACATTAGTCTGGAAATTGGCTT	ChIP for <i>Mu1</i> region III. Also used for Chop-PCR internal control
Mu1 ChIP III_R	CAACTACCGAGCTTATAGAAACACC	ChIP for <i>Mu1</i> region III. Also used for Chop-PCR internal control
Mu1 ChIP IV_F	AATTCCCTAAAGAGAAGGTACCGAG	ChIP for <i>Mu1</i> region IV
Mu1 ChIP IV_R	AGCCTTCTTTTCAATCTGAGTAAGCAA	ChIP for <i>Mu1</i> region IV
COPIA4 ChIP I_F	GCAAACAATCTTCAACATTAACACGTCT	ChIP for <i>COPIA4</i> region I
COPIA4 ChIP I_R	AGCAGGAGTCTCGATAGAACCATC	ChIP for <i>COPIA4</i> region I
COPIA4 ChIP II_F	ATGGCTCAGACCTTACACTCACA	ChIP for <i>COPIA4</i> region II. Also used for Chop-PCR internal control
COPIA4 ChIP II_R	AAAGGAGGCTTCATCAAACACGAC	ChIP for <i>COPIA4</i> region II. Also used for Chop-PCR internal control
COPIA4 ChIP III_F	GCAAACGCTGCATCTGAAGTT	ChIP for <i>COPIA4</i> region III
COPIA4 ChIP III_R	TGTTGCGAACGAAATGGTAGTC	ChIP for <i>COPIA4</i> region III
ACT8 ChIP _F	CTAAAGAGACATCGTTTCCATGACGG	ChIP for <i>ACT8</i>
ACT8 ChIP _R	TCCTTAGACATCTCTCCAAACGC	ChIP for <i>ACT8</i>

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