

## Supplemental Figure S1.

Amino acid sequence alignment of *Nicotiana tabacum* C-7 (accession number Q40480), and *N. benthamiana* NbGSTU4 (accession number JF915552).





## Supplemental Figure S2.

The phenotype of NbGSTU4-knockdown Nicotiana benthamiana plants.

Agrobacterium C58C1 containing plasmid, pTRV2/NbGSTU4 (NbGSTU4), pTRV2/phytoene desaturase (PDS), or pTRV2/luciferase (control) was co-infiltrated with Agrobacterium containing pTRV1 into 4-week-old N. benthamiana. The photo was taken at 10 days of post infiltration on the plants indicated. PDS-knockdown plant showed a photo-bleaching phenotype, but no obvious difference of the phenotype between NbGSTU4-knockdown and control plants.

	GSH addition time point		2 hr	4 hr	6 hr	8 hr	10hr	12 hr
positive strand	control	100	124±14	104±7	125±14	106±13	88±3	113±10
	GSH treatment	100±1	124±10	277±20	205±6	145±13	132±16	150±20
negative strand	control	100	130±12	107±17	82±6	128±4	100±13	104±13
	GSH treatment	98±4	129±14	230±9	244±10	128±6	108±8	132±11

## Supplemental Table S1.

The relative accumulation levels of BaMV plus- and minus-strand RNA in the control (Tris buffer) and GSH (GSH treated) protoplasts. All the data were the average and the standard error of three independent experiments. The accumulation level of the BaMV genomic RNA in the control protoplasts was set as 100 %