

**Figure S1.** Mean total concentrations of rubidium (Rb, left) and strontium (Sr, right) in **a**, flag leaf and **b**, grain, for rice panicles exposed to 333  $\mu$ M of 1 of 5 arsenic treatments together with 1 mM Rb and Sr, or, in the case of the zero exposure controls, ultrapure, MilliQ water only. Treatments were delivered through the cut flag leaf on intact plants for 7 days, with a fresh vial applied every 24 hours. Total solution uptake is also shown for each treatment (circles). Error bars represent  $\pm$  SE of three replicates.



**Figure S2.** Dose response curves showing mean arsenic concentrations in grain and flag leaf for DMA treated panicles (**a** and **b**, respectively) and for arsenite treated panicles (**c** and **d**, respectively) under increasing levels of exposure. Rice panicles were exposed to 0, 33, 133 and 333  $\mu$ M of DMA or arsenite through the cut flag leaf on intact plants for 7 days, with a fresh vial applied every 24 hours. Error bars represent  $\pm$  SE of three replicates. Solution uptake for these treatments is shown in Figure S2.



**Figure S3.** Mean total solution uptake for panicles treated with 0, 33, 133 and 333  $\mu$ M arsenite or DMA. Treatments were delivered through the cut flag leaf on intact plants for 7 days, with a fresh vial applied every 24 hours. Error bars represent  $\pm$  SE of three replicates.



**Figure S4.** Chromatograms showing arsenic speciation in fresh leaf extracts of arsenite and arsenate fed flag leaves together with a standard mix. Flag leaves were exposed to 333  $\mu$ M for a period of 7 days, with a fresh vial of treatment solution applied every 24 hours.



**Figure S5.** Chromatograms showing arsenic speciation in leaf feeding vials of arsenite and arsenate. In the experiment, flag leaves were exposed to 333  $\mu$ M arsenite or arsenate for a period of 7 days, with a fresh vial of treatment solution applied every 24 hours. Any vial contents that remained following the 24 hour period was weighed and then frozen at -20°C for no more than 1 week prior to HPLC-ICP-MS analysis. Vial contents were then defrosted and mixed for each treatment immediately prior to HPLC-ICP-MS analysis.



Leaf Fed



**Figure S6.** Fluorescence microtomography images showing distributions of arsenic for virtual cross sections of rice grain pulsed with either 133  $\mu$ M of 1 of 4 arsenic treatments through the excised panicle stem (top) or 333  $\mu$ M of 1 of 4 arsenic treatments through the cut flag leaf on intact plants (bottom). It should be noted that the image for the grain pulsed with arsenite through the cut leaf is essentially a control as ICP-MS analysis revealed no significant uptake into the grain.



**Figure S7.** Mean total concentrations of Rb (left) and Sr (right) in rice grain (top), husk (middle) and flag leaf (bottom) for excised rice panicles subjected to a  $\pm$  stem girdling treatment and hydroponically fed, over a 48 h period, nutrient solution amended with 133 µM germanic acid and 1 mM Rb and Sr; 1 mM Rb and Sr only (germanic acid controls) or, for zero exposure controls, no amendment. Total solution uptake is also shown for each treatment (circles). Error bars represent the  $\pm$  SE of three replicates.