

**Supporting Information for:**

**Identification and quantification of phytochelatins in roots of rice to long-term exposure: evidence of individual role on arsenic accumulation**

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**Supporting Information Table S1.** Description of agronomic parameters. Results expressed as mean or mean  $\pm$  standard deviation (n=4).

Rice cultivar	Exposure level	Abbreviation	F(days)	PH(cm)	SD(mm)	GY(g)	SS(mm)	NT	PM(g)
Italica Carolina	<i>Low</i>	IC(L)	51	101.5*	22.8 $\pm$ 2.5	9.59*	7.77 $\pm$ 0.78*	5	102.8*
	<i>High</i>	IC(H)	51	89.6	17.8 $\pm$ 4.4	4.34	6.71 $\pm$ 0.65	4	90.6
Dom Sofid	<i>Low</i>	DS(L)	87	137.5	19.0 $\pm$ 3.1	7.18*	8.04 $\pm$ 0.43	4	138.4
	<i>High</i>	DS(H)	88	128.5	17.7 $\pm$ 6.9	5.40	8.05 $\pm$ 0.65	4	129.4
9524	<i>Low</i>	9(L)	91	140.5	23.1 $\pm$ 2.5	10.64	7.13 $\pm$ 0.51*	4	141.4
	<i>High</i>	9(H)	94	133.8	19.7 $\pm$ 2.6	8.68	6.73 $\pm$ 0.44	4	134.6
Kitrana 508	<i>Low</i>	K(L)	94	155.3	17.8 $\pm$ 2.2	6.99*	7.49 $\pm$ 0.16*	4	156.1
	<i>High</i>	K(H)	94	150.5	16.1 $\pm$ 1.5	5.80	7.00 $\pm$ 0.24	3	151.3
YRL-1	<i>Low</i>	Y(L)	91	115.8	24.1 $\pm$ 4.8	11.81	7.64 $\pm$ 0.45	5	116.9
	<i>High</i>	Y(H)	91	110.5	23.7 $\pm$ 6.2	10.17	7.37 $\pm$ 0.54	5	111.8
Lemont	<i>Low</i>	L(L)	102	76.9	27.1 $\pm$ 2.0*	9.46	7.34 $\pm$ 0.45	4	77.9
	<i>High</i>	L(H)	107	83.4	21.3 $\pm$ 2.9	7.88	7.18 $\pm$ 0.44	3	84.2

**PH:** plant height; **PM:** plant mass (biomass mean of roots+shoots+grains); **F:** time to flowering (mean of 4 replicates); **SD:** stems diameter; **GY:** grain yield (mean of biomass of all panicles produced by the plant); **SL:** seed length; **NT:** number of tillers; \*: significant statistical differences between low and high exposure level (P<0.05).

**Supporting Information Table S2.** Correlations between agronomic parameters and t-As (n= 48, low and high exposure levels).

Variables	Flowering (days)	Plant height (cm)	Grains weight (g)	Shoots diameter (mm)	Roots weight (g)	Shoots weight (g)	All plant weight (g)	[As] roots ( $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$ )	[As] shoots ( $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$ )	[As] grains ( $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$ )
Plant height (cm)		.758 **								
<b>Grains weight (g)</b>	<b>.156</b>	<b>.090</b>								
Shoots' diameter (mm)		.559 **	.401 *	.269						
<b>Roots weight (g)</b>	<b>.713 **</b>	<b>.730 **</b>	<b>.484 **</b>	<b>.458 **</b>						
Shoots weight (g)		.649 **	.619 **	.576 **	.618 **	.813 **				
<b>All plant weight (g)</b>	<b>.720 **</b>	<b>.749 **</b>	<b>.517 **</b>	<b>.494 **</b>	<b>.989 **</b>	<b>.865 **</b>				
[As] roots ( $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$ )		-.118	-.166	-.775 **	-.339	-.366 *	-.602 **	-.421 *		
[As] shoots ( $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$ )		<b>-.353 *</b>	<b>-.259</b>	<b>-.631 **</b>	<b>-.369 *</b>	<b>-.541 **</b>	<b>-.685 **</b>	<b>-.581 **</b>	<b>.740 **</b>	
[As] grains ( $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$ )		-.191	-.286	-.552 **	-.330	-.342	-.458 **	-.372 *	.685 **	.739 **
[As] soil ( $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$ )	<b>-.066</b>	<b>-.282</b>	<b>-.621 **</b>	<b>-.059</b>	<b>-.322</b>	<b>-.336</b>	<b>-.369 *</b>	<b>.575 **</b>	.342	.355 *

[As]: arsenic concentration; \*: P<0.05; \*\*: P<0.01.

**Supporting Information Table 3.** Theoretical, experimental and accurate masses ( $\Delta m$ ), retention time (RT) and molecular formula of GSH, free PCs and PCs-As identified and quantified in the present study. Values presented as mean  $\pm$  standard deviation (n=48), . NI: non ionized.

Compound	[GSH+H] <sup>+</sup>	[As-OH-Me-PC <sub>3</sub> +H] <sup>+</sup>	[GSSG+H] <sup>+</sup>	[PC <sub>3</sub> +H] <sup>+</sup>
Theoretical m/z	308.0916	874.1039	613.1598	772.1951
Experimental m/z	308.0907 $\pm$ 0.0002	874.1022 $\pm$ 0.0011	613.1584 $\pm$ 0.0004	772.1937 $\pm$ 0.0009
$\Delta m$ (ppm)	3.02 $\pm$ 0.90	1.86 $\pm$ 1.32	2.06 $\pm$ 1.09	1.82 $\pm$ 1.17
RT (min)	3.93 $\pm$ 0.11	17.95 $\pm$ 0.16	7.47 $\pm$ 0.18	18.49 $\pm$ 0.25
Molecular formula (NI)	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>17</sub> O <sub>6</sub> N <sub>3</sub> S	C <sub>27</sub> H <sub>40</sub> O <sub>15</sub> N <sub>7</sub> S <sub>3</sub> As	C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>32</sub> O <sub>12</sub> N <sub>6</sub> S <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>41</sub> O <sub>14</sub> N <sub>7</sub> S <sub>3</sub>
Compound	[OH-Me-PC <sub>2</sub> +H] <sup>+</sup>	[As-PC <sub>3</sub> +H] <sup>+</sup>	[PC <sub>2</sub> Reduced+H] <sup>+</sup>	[As-Iso-PC <sub>3</sub> -Glu+H] <sup>+</sup>
Theoretical m/z	570.1539	844.0932	540.1434	916.1145
Experimental m/z	570.1527 $\pm$ 0.0003	844.0918 $\pm$ 0.0012	540.1422 $\pm$ 0.0003	916.1135 $\pm$ 0.0015
$\Delta m$ (ppm)	2.22 $\pm$ 0.67	1.67 $\pm$ 1.45	2.08 $\pm$ 0.68	1.09 $\pm$ 1.61
RT (min)	11.22 $\pm$ 0.27	18.59 $\pm$ 0.16	11.83 $\pm$ 0.27	19.04 $\pm$ 0.87
Molecular formula (NI)	C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>31</sub> O <sub>11</sub> N <sub>5</sub> S <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>38</sub> O <sub>14</sub> N <sub>7</sub> S <sub>3</sub> As	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>29</sub> O <sub>10</sub> N <sub>5</sub> S <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>29</sub> H <sub>42</sub> O <sub>16</sub> N <sub>7</sub> S <sub>3</sub> As
Compound	[DesGly-PC <sub>2</sub> +H] <sup>+</sup>	[As-DesGly-PC <sub>3</sub> +H] <sup>+</sup>	[PC <sub>2</sub> oxidized+H] <sup>+</sup>	[As-PC <sub>4</sub> +H] <sup>+</sup>
Theoretical m/z	483.1219	787.0718	538.1278	1076.1451
Experimental m/z	483.1205 $\pm$ 0.0003	787.0704 $\pm$ 0.0005	538.1266 $\pm$ 0.0003	1076.1438 $\pm$ 0.0016
$\Delta m$ (ppm)	2.95 $\pm$ 0.80	1.83 $\pm$ 0.71	2.11 $\pm$ 0.68	1.28 $\pm$ 1.35
RT (min)	12.28 $\pm$ 0.33	19.48 $\pm$ 0.33	12.61 $\pm$ 0.22	23.42 $\pm$ 0.34
Molecular formula (NI)	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>26</sub> O <sub>9</sub> N <sub>4</sub> S <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>35</sub> O <sub>13</sub> N <sub>6</sub> S <sub>3</sub> As	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>27</sub> O <sub>10</sub> N <sub>5</sub> S <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>34</sub> H <sub>50</sub> O <sub>18</sub> N <sub>9</sub> S <sub>4</sub> As
Compound	[Iso-PC <sub>2</sub> -Glu+H] <sup>+</sup>	[Iso-PC <sub>3</sub> -Glu+H] <sup>+</sup>		
Theoretical m/z	612.1645		844.2163	
Experimental m/z	612.1634 $\pm$ 0.0006		844.2163 $\pm$ 0.0021	
$\Delta m$ (ppm)	1.87 $\pm$ 0.99		0.01 $\pm$ 2.42	
RT (min)	14.30 $\pm$ 0.25		20.75 $\pm$ 0.60	
Molecular formula (NI)	C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>33</sub> O <sub>12</sub> N <sub>5</sub> S <sub>2</sub>		C <sub>29</sub> H <sub>45</sub> O <sub>16</sub> N <sub>7</sub> S <sub>3</sub>	