Supporting Information

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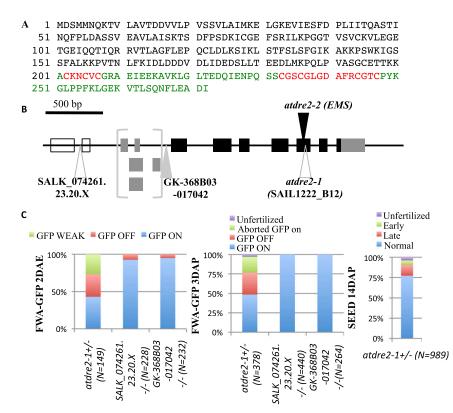


Fig. S1. ALAC4 mapping and allele complementation. (A) To identify the ALAC4 gene, we identified recombinant F2 plants between alac4^{+/-};pFWA-GFP in the Col background and Ler, using dCAPs PCR markers (http://helix.wustl.edu/dcaps) designed to detect single nucleotide polymorphisms (http://polymorphclark20.weigelworld.org). The coding regions of all of the 14 genes defined by the two closest recombination breakpoints were sequenced. The mutation creates a putative frameshift at amino acid 201 and a stop codon after a further 16 chimeric residues. Amino acids indicated in green and red are probably not translated. The conserved motifs for binding Fe-S clusters are indicated in red. (B) Sites of T-DNA insertions. (C) We introgressed T-DNA insertions in the genomic region of At5g18400 into the *pFWA-GFP* line. The line with the T-DNA insertion in the 5' upstream region (SALK_074261; open triangle in the upstream gene) and the GABI-KAT line with the insertion in the first intron (GK-368B03; gray triangle) could be made homozygous and had no *FWA-GFP* phenotype before or after fertilization. Another T-DNA insertion site [SAIL_1222, named *atdre2-1*(6); open triangle in the coding region] was near the EMS mutation and shared with *atdre2-2* gametophytic lethality, *pFWA-GFP* inactivation (monitored at 2 DAE and 3 DAmP), and seed phenotypes (monitored at 14 DAmP).

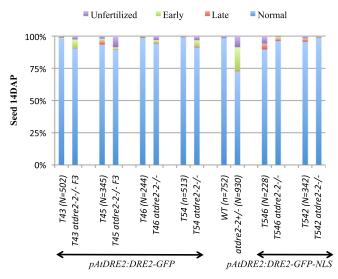


Fig. S2. Seed complementation in *atdre2-2^{-/-}* background. The *pAtDRE2:AtDRE2-EGFP* and *pAtDRE2:AtDRE2-EGFP-NLS* constructs were transformed into Col-0 WT, and T2 transgenics were crossed into *atdre2-2^{+/-}*. F2 seeds selected for the transgene and genotyped for *atdre2-2* were selfed, and the seed phenotype of F3 plants homozygously segregating for both the transgene and the *alac4* allele was recorded. For each of the six independent transgenes (T43, T45, T46, T54, T546, and T542) data from the control transgene are presented as well. N indicates the number of seeds analyzed.

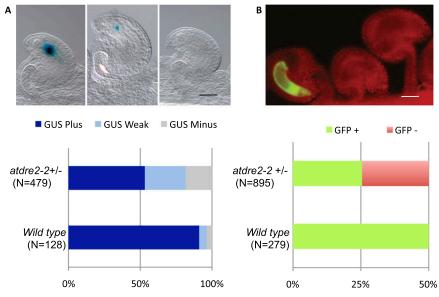


Fig. S3. Gametophytic phenotype of *atdre2-2^{+/-}* monitored with *pFIS2:GUS* (A) and *pMEDEA:GFP* (B) at 2 DAE. N indicates the number of ovules examined. *pFIS2:GUS* was homozygous, and *pMEDEA:GFP* was heterozygous. (Scale bar: 50 μm.)

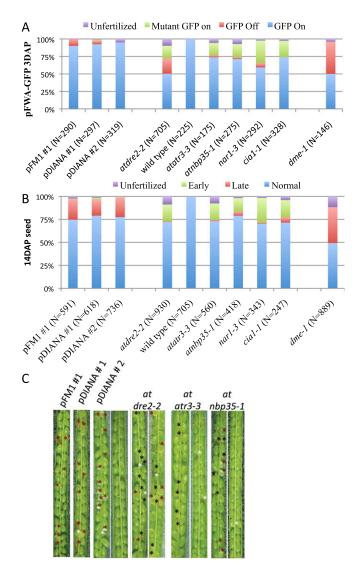


Fig. 54. *pFWA-GFP* and seed phenotype of transgenics and CIA mutants (corresponding to Fig. 3). (A) FWA-GFP in *atdre2-2^{+/-};pFM1:AtDRE2*#1, *atdre2-2^{+/-};pDIANA:AtDRE2*#1, *atdre2-2^{+/-};pDIANA:AtDRE2*#2, and CIA and DME mutants (*atdre2-2, atatr3-3, atnbp35-1, nar1-3, cia1-1, and dme-1*) at 3 DAMP. (B) Seed phenotype at 14 DAMP for the same genotypes. The numbers of ovules/seeds analyzed are indicated below each graph. (C) Seed phenotype in dissected siliques at 14 DAP (*Left*) or 14 DAMP with WT pollen (*Right*) in the indicated genotypes. White asterisks, unfertilized seeds; black asterisks, early-aborted seeds; red asterisks, late-aborted seeds.

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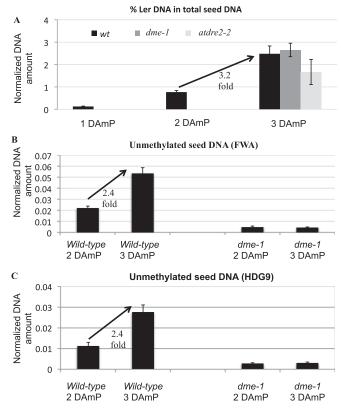


Fig. S5. Quantitative DNA methylation assay in 3 DAmP seeds. To estimate the DNA methylation level of DME target genes at the 3 DAmP stage in atdre2-2 and WT, we first estimated the amount of endosperm DNA in total DNA extracted from early seed development stages by pollinating with a different genotype (Ler), followed by PCR amplification using ecotype-specific loci. Extracted DNA was quantified using a NanoDrop spectrophotometer. After double fertilization, at 1 DAmP, 2 DAmP and 3 DAmP, only the paternal allele of the endosperm and of the embryo will inherit the Ler genome, with the amount of embryo DNA negligible compared with that of the endosperm. (The divisions in the embryo are delayed and reduced in number relative to those in the endosperm.) (A) We found that we could recover increasing amounts of Ler-specific loci at 1 DAmP, 2 DamP, and 3 DAmP, suggesting that most of this DNA is endosperm DNA. At 3 DAMP, 2.5% of the total seed DNA was Ler DNA. Therefore, 5% of the total DNA should be maternal endosperm DNA, and is predicted to be mostly hypomethylated in specific regions of the DME targets in the WT and hypermethylated in control dme mutant seeds. (B and C) We found that the amount of DNA recovered after digestion with the DNA methylation-specific enzyme McrBC at FWA (B) and HDG9 (C) increased from 2 DAmP to 3 DAmP proportionally with the increase in endosperm DNA (2.4- and 2.4-fold, respectively, compared with 3.2-fold). We also found that at 3 DAmP, FWA, FIS2, HDG8, and HDG9 had drastically reduced amounts of DNA across the methylated region in dme-1 GFP off seed pools compared with WT GFP on seeds (C). These controls indicated that a difference in DNA methylation levels at these genes is guantifiable in our assay. When we assayed 3 DAMP atdre2-2 pools of GFP off seeds, we also found that the amount of DNA recovered after McrBC digestion was reduced compared with WT, although increased compared with dme-1 (Fig. 4C). We note that the amount of endosperm DNA in the total seed DNA, estimated using a Ler-specific locus, was comparable between wild-type, dme-1 and atdre2-2 seed pools at 3 DAMP (A). WT, dme-1, and atdre2-2 seed pools were dissected from crosses between pFWA-GFP, dme-1;pFWA-GFP, atdre2-2;pFWA-GFP, and Ler. GFP on seeds from WT and GFP off seeds from dme1 and atdre2-2 were used. A minimum of 250 seeds was used for each pool at 3 DAmP, and 1 µg of DNA (guantified using a NanoDrop spectrophotometer) was digested for each sample with McrBC (B and C).

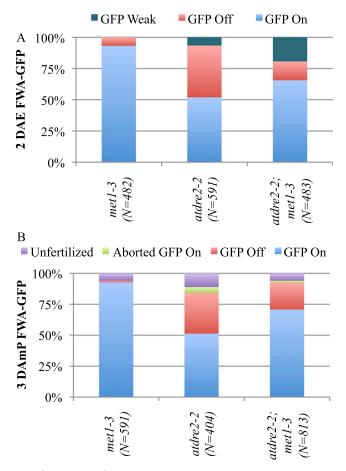


Fig. S6. Genetic interaction between atdre2-2^{+/-} and met1-3^{+/-} monitored in double mutants by FWA-GFP at 2 DAE (A) and 3 DAmP (B). N represents numbers of ovules/seeds analyzed.

Table S1. Seed phenotype in self and reciprocal crosses between *atdre2-2;pFWA-GFP* and *pFWA-GFP*

		%					
Parental genotype	n	WT	Late aborted	Early aborted	Unfertilized		
pFWA-GFP	895	96.7	0.3	0.4	2.5		
atdre2-2 self set 1	491	68.3	16.5	5.6	9.6		
atdre2-2 self set 2	930	72.36	0.62	18.15	8.86		
$pFWA-GFP \times pFWA-GFP$	668	89.9	1.3	3.7	5.2		
atdre2-2 $ imes$ atdre2-2	710	70.0*	5.0*	12.9*	12.1*		
atdre2-2 $ imes$ pFWA-GFP	775	75.1*	9.8*	3.0	12.1*		
pFWA-GFP \times atdre2-2	689	83.6	3.7*	1.9	10.9		

While investigating the distinct $atdre2\cdot2^{+/-}$ seed phenotypes and the gametophytic vs. zygotic nature of the defects in detail, we found that the percentage of each mutant seed class varied among experiments (see, e.g., set 1 and set 2), whereas the total mutant seed percentage was less variable. Seed phenotype was analyzed at 14 d after self or manual pollination. *P* values were calculated relative to the WT control, and the values that reject the null hypothesis are indicated with asterisks. *n* indicates the number of seeds analyzed for each genetic background.

Table S2. Transmission of single and double mutants

Parental genotype

Q	ď	n	WT	atdre2-2	met1-3	atdre2-2;met1-3	λ^2
atdre2-2	WT	107	78	22	_	_	32.53
WT	atdre2-2	94	83	17	_	_	40.89
atdre2-2; met1-3	WT	152	34	28	22	16	9.73
WT	atdre2-2; met1-3	103	47	13	28	12	35.05

n indicates the number of seedlings genotyped. λ^2 was calculated based on expected ratios of 1:1 for single mutants and 1:1:1:1 for double mutants.

Table S3. Oligonucleotides used in this study

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Oligo name	Used for		
Vector construction			
CACCGGCCTTCTACCACCTTA	pAtDRE:2DRE2-EGFP		
TATGTCAGCTTCAAGGAAGTTTT	,		
CACCGGCCTTCTACCACCTTA	pAtDRE2:DRE2-NLS-EGFP		
ACCTTTCTCTTCTTAGGTATGTCAGCTTCAAGGAAG			
GAGCTCGGTACCATACTAGCATGTATCCAC	pFM1:AtDRE2		
GGGAGCTCGGTACCTGGAACTTTATCGGTTTT			
GGTACCCACCTGACAAATGCCCGAAACC	pDIANA:AtDRE2		
TACGGGTACCTTGTAATTACTCGGCTTGCC			
Gene expression			
GTGACTCTGGTCAAGACT	FWA		
TTGGTTCCACCAGAACCGGTA			
TCCTCGCCCTTGCTCACCAT	FWA-GFP		
GCGCACTGCTTATCAAACTCAAGAACT			
ACATGCAGAGCGGTGCGAGG	FIS2		
ACATGCAGAGCGGTGCGAGG			
TGATCTGGTCGTGCGGCGTG	MEA		
TTTGCACCAAAAATCACAGG			
CCATTGCCTCTTTGACCATT	mPAC		
CTTCGCTGGATCTAGACTCGGGCTC			
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McrBC assay			
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AGACGTCGCTGAAATTCGTC			
CACCGTAATCGTAGTCTAGCCA	HDG8		
AGGTGTGTAGCATGAGGAAAGAA			
AAGCCAGCGCTATCACTAAACTTT	FLC (internal control)		
TCGGCAGATTGAAAATGACATT			
GGCTCTAAGAGGGTGCTGAA	Ler-specific locus		
TACCACCTCACACCAAA			