

Figure \$10 Genome-wide association study (GWAS) for total α-xanthophyll content in maize grain. Scatter plot of association results from a unified mixed model analysis of total α-xanthophyll and linkage disequilibrium (LD) estimates ( $r^2$ ) across the lcyE chromosome region. Negative  $log_{10}$ -transformed P-values (left y-axis) from a GWAS for total α-xanthophyll and  $r^2$  values (right y-axis) are plotted against physical position (B73 RefGen\_v2) for a 12 Mb region on chromosome 8 that encompasses lcyE. The blue vertical lines are  $-log_{10}$  P-values for SNPs that are non-significant at 5% FDR. Triangles are the  $r^2$  values of each SNP relative to the peak SNP (indicated in red) at 138,883,206 bp. The black horizontal dashed line indicates the  $-log_{10}$  P-value of the least statistically significant SNP at 5% FDR. The black vertical dashed lines indicate the start and stop positions of lcyE (GRMZM2G12966). (B) Scatter plot of association results from a conditional unified mixed model analysis of total  $\alpha$ -xanthophyll and LD estimates ( $r^2$ ) across the lcyE chromosome region, as in (A). The two SNPs (lcyE SNP216 and S8\_138882897) from the optimal multi-locus mixed model (MLMM) model were included as covariates in the unified mixed model to control for the lcyE effect.