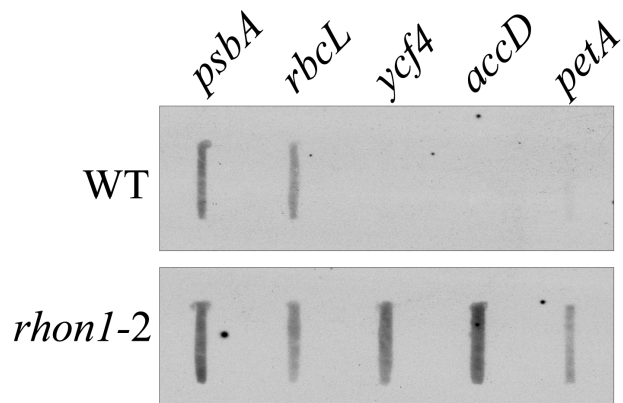
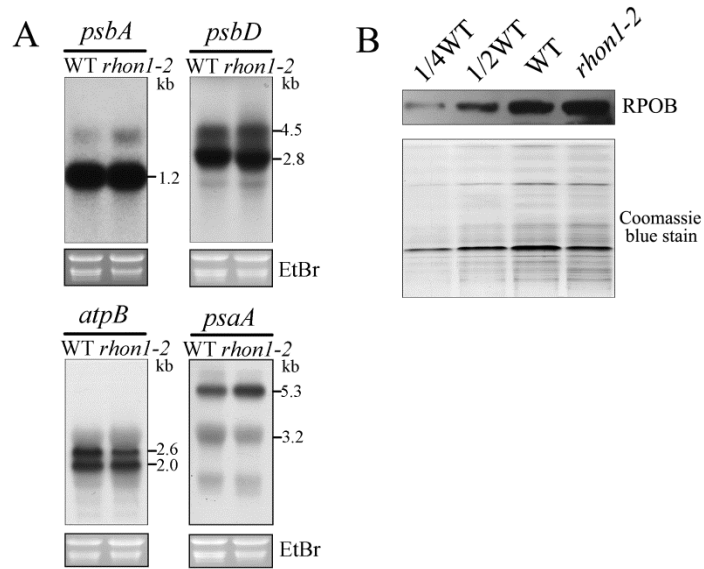


Supplemental Figure 1. Microarray analysis of plastid gene transcripts in *rhon1-2* compared with wild-type.

Values have been obtained from three independent experiments, each one performed in two replicates. The plastid genes are sorted as follows (from left to right): *rpl22, rps3, rps14, psaB, atpE, psbJ, rpl14, rpl36, rps11, psbB, psbH, psbI, psbE, atpI, psbL, psbN, psbT, psbA, atpF, ndhA, rps8, ndhE, atpA, rbcL, psbF, ndhH, rps19, psaA, rps2, ycf1-1, rpl16, ndhK, psbC, rpl2, ndhJ, ndhC, psbK, atpH, petL, ndhI, ycf3, orf77, atpB, rps12, rpoC1, ndhD, psaJ, rps4, petN, rpl23, matK, rpl33, rps16, rps15, psbZ, rpoB, ndhG, rpoA, psbD, ycf2, psbM, ccsA, petB, ycf1, rpoC2, ndhB, rpl20, psaC, rps7, rpl32, rps18, clpP, petD, petG, ndhE, petA, psal, cemA, ycf4* and *accD*.



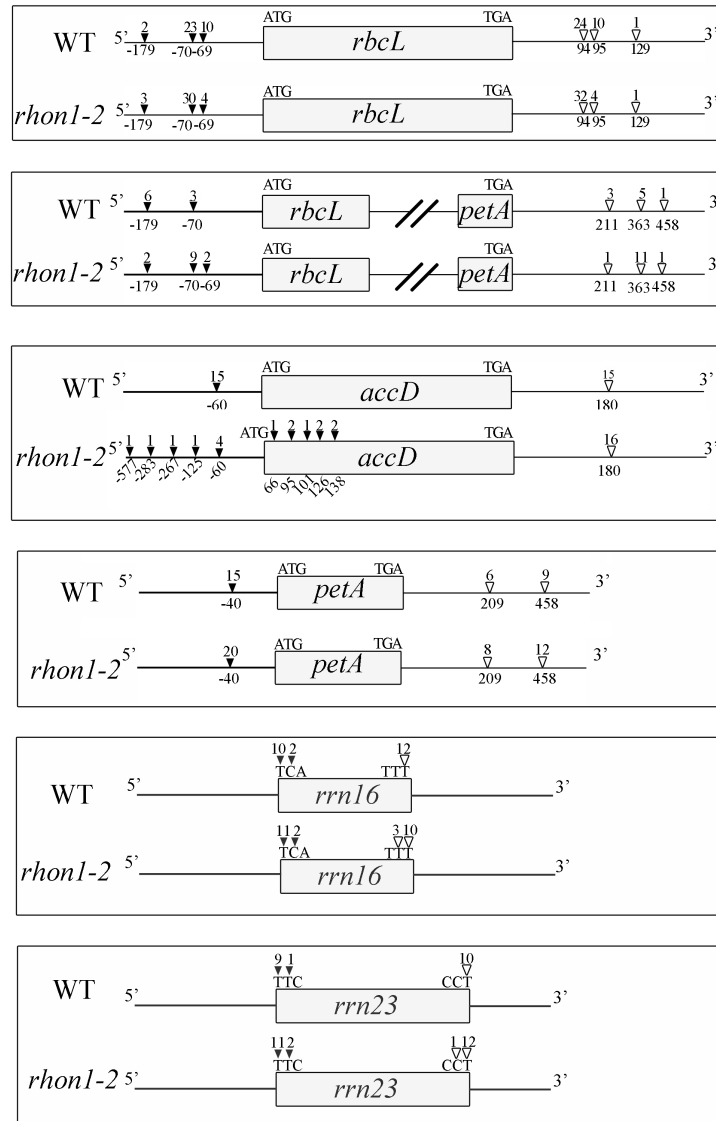
Supplemental Figure 2. Run-on transcription assay of plastid genes in *rhon1-2* and wild-type plants. The procedure is same to that of Figure 2B but a lower amount of DNA probes (100ng) was used for hybridization with labeled transcripts.



Supplemental Figure 3. Analysis of PEP-dependent transcription in *rhon1-2*.

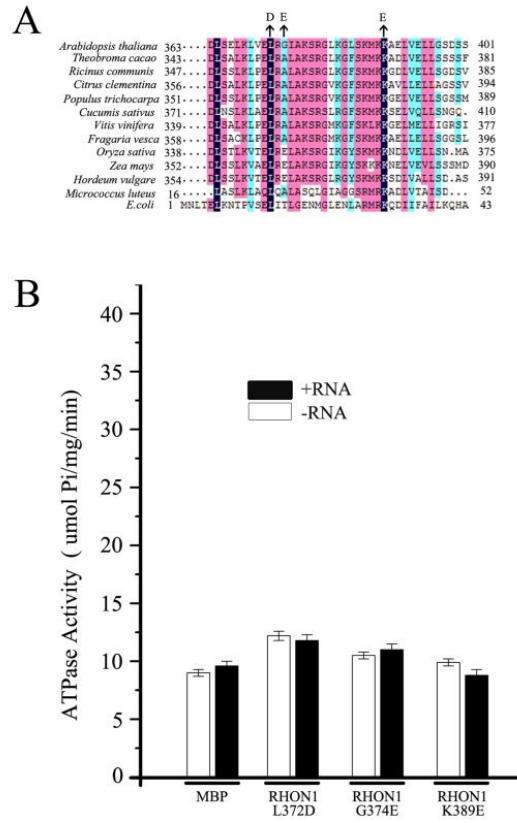
(A) RNA gel blot analysis of the transcript levels of plastid genes in wild-type and *rhon1-2* plants. Total RNA (5 μ g) were size-fractionated by agarose gel electrophoresis, transferred to nylon membranes, and probed with 32 P-labeled DNA probes. The sizes of the transcript (in kb) are shown. The 25S rRNA stained with ethidium bromide is shown as a loading control.

(B) Immunoblots of *rpoB* in wild-type and *rhon1-2* plants.

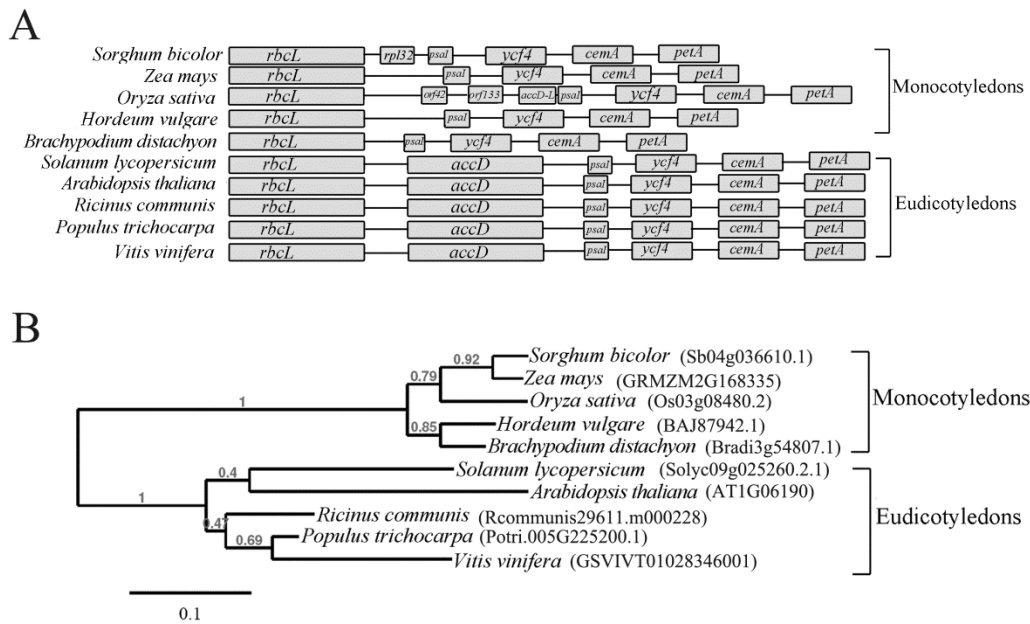


Supplemental Figure 4. Mapping of 3' and 5' ends of plastid transcripts in wild-type and *rhon1-2* plants by circularized RNA RT-PCR.

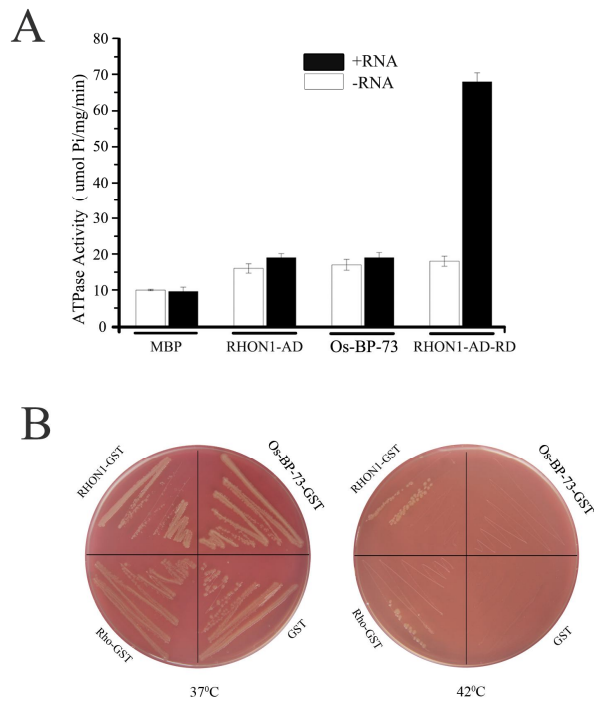
The 5' and 3' ends of transcripts for the indicated genes in wild-type and *rhon1-2* are shown by closed and open arrowheads, with numbers below indicating the positions of the nucleotide with respect to the initiation and termination codon respectively. For *rrn 16* and *rrn 23*, the nucleotides of the 5' and 3' ends are directly shown. Numbers of corresponding clones obtained are shown at each position.



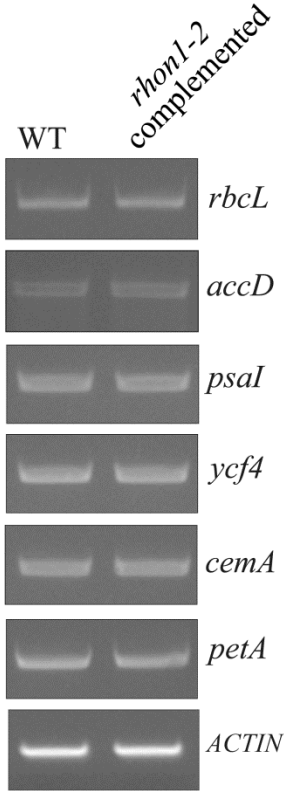
Supplemental Figure 5. The ATPase activities of mutated RHON1 proteins.
(A) The sequence alignment of RNA-binding domain of RHON1 homologs and Rho from *E. coli*. The conserved residues are shown in blue.
(B) The ATPase activities of three RHON1 proteins with site-directed mutations in conserved residues. Error bars represent the standard error of the mean (n=6)



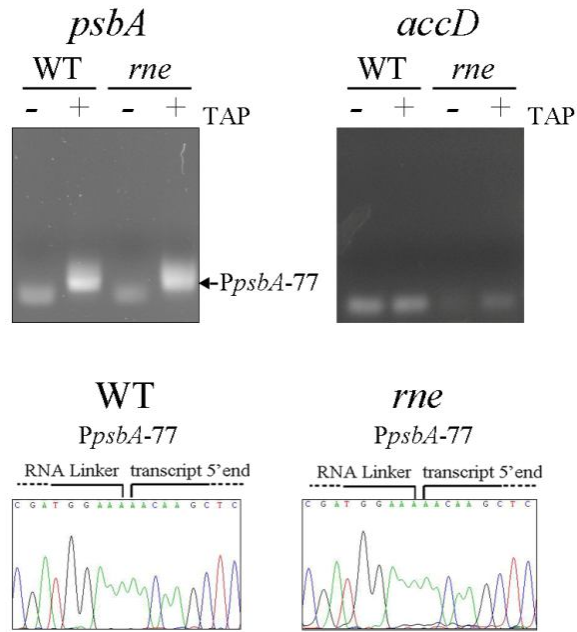
Supplemental Figure 6. Phylogenetic analysis of RHON1 homologs in vascular plants. **(A)** Schematic illustrations for *rbcL*-associated gene locus of eudicotyledonous and monocotyledonous species. **(B)** Phylogenetic analysis of RHON1 homologs of eudicotyledonous and monocotyledonous species. Phylogenetic tree was constructed on the Phylogeny.fr web tool (<http://www.phylogeny.fr>; Dereeper et al., 2008). Posterior probabilities are indicated near nodes. The bar indicates the branch length that corresponds to 0.1 substitutions per position.



Supplemental Figure 7. Characterization of RHON1 homolog of rice, Os-BP-73.
(A) The ATPase activity of rice Os-BP-73 protein. Error bars represent the standard error of the mean (n=6)
(B) Os-BP-73 is not able to complement the *rho* mutant of *E. coli*.



Supplemental Figure 8. The accumulation of *rbcL*, *accD*, *psal*, *ycf4*, *cemA* and *petA* transcripts in RHON1- complemented plants assayed by RT-PCR.



Supplemental Figure 9. The transcription initiation sites of *accD* in *rne* mutant. The transcription initiation site in green seedlings was identified by 5'- RACE as shown in Figure 3A. Chromatograms showed the sequences at the ligation sites of the cloned RT-PCR product. The transcription initiation site of *psbA*, PpsbA-77 was used as a control.

Supplemental Table 1. List of Primers Used in This Study

| Name | Sequence 5' → 3' | Experiment / Figure |
|-------------------------|---|---------------------|
| <i>rbcL</i> -f | TGTCACCACAAACAGAGACTAAAGC | probe/1B,1C |
| <i>rbcL</i> -r | TCTACTCTTGGCCATCTAATTTATC | probe/1B,1C |
| <i>accD</i> -f | ATGTCACCACAAACAGAGACTAAAG | probe/1B,1C |
| <i>accD</i> -r | CTACTCTTGGCCATCTAATTTATCG | probe/1B,1C |
| <i>psaI</i> -f | TCAGTAAACCTCTATCAACAAGCTA | probe/1B,1C |
| <i>psaI</i> -r | ATTTTGTGTGAACCTTTACCTTAG | probe/1B,1C |
| <i>Ycf4</i> -f | ATGAGTTGGCGATCAGAATCTATAT | probe/1B,1C |
| <i>Ycf4</i> -r | TCAAATACTTCAATTGGTACACGC | probe/1B,1C |
| <i>cemA</i> -f | GGCAAAAAGAAAGCATTTCATTCCT | probe/1B,1C |
| <i>cemA</i> -r | GTCGTTTATTGCATGATAAATCACT | probe/1B,1C |
| <i>petA</i> -f | GCAAAC TAGAAATACCTTTTCTTGG | probe/1B,1C |
| <i>petA</i> -r | CGGATAATTGAACCTTCTCAAACCTG | probe/1B,1C |
| <i>psbA</i> -f | ATGACTGCAATTTTAGAGAGACGCG | probe/1C |
| <i>psbA</i> -r | TTATCCATTTGTAGATGGAGCCTCA | probe/1C |
| <i>rbcL</i> -race-outer | GATACCATGAGGTGGTCCTTGGA | RACE/2A |
| <i>rbcL</i> -race-inner | GCTGGTAAGCCCATCGGTCCACACA | RACE/2A |
| <i>accD</i> -race-outer | AGAGTAAGCAAACATATCGATGCAA | RACE/2B |
| <i>accD</i> -race-inner | AGAGTAAGCAAACATATCGATGCAA | RACE/2B |
| <i>psbA</i> -race-outer | TCCAGTTACAGAAGCGACCCCATAG | RACE/S5 |
| <i>psbA</i> -race-inner | TCCAGTTACAGAAGCGACCCCATAG | RACE/S5 |
| <i>c-accD</i> -rt-5 | GGATCATAGTGCAGATCGTTGTCA | (CR) RT PCR/3 |
| <i>c-accD</i> -5 | AGAGTAAGCAAACATATCGATGCAA | (CR) RT PCR /3 |
| <i>c-accD</i> -3 | GGTTCACAAGCGGCTGAATCTTTAT | (CR) RT PCR /3 |
| <i>c-rbcL</i> -rt-5 | CACAGTTGTCCATGTACCAGTAGA | (CR) RT PCR /3 |
| <i>c-rbcL</i> -5 | CTTGCTTTAGTCTCTGTTTGTGGT | (CR) RT PCR /3 |
| <i>c-rbcL</i> -3 | GATCTTGCAGTCGAGGGTAATGAA | (CR) RT PCR /3 |
| <i>c-petA</i> -rt-5 | CCTCAATATCCACGGGCTTATTAGC | (CR) RT PCR /3 |
| <i>c-petA</i> -3 | CTAGAACTTCTTGTTCAGAGGGC | (CR) RT PCR /3 |
| <i>c-cemA</i> -3 | GCCTCACGGTTGGGAATAATGATT | (CR) RT PCR /3 |
| <i>RHON1</i> -f | ATGGCGATGTGCGGAACCTTCCATT | PCR/4C |
| <i>RHON1</i> -r: | TCAGCTGGAATCACTACCAAGCAAC | PCR/4C |
| <i>rbcL</i> 42-88: | TGCACTCGGCTCAATCTTTTTTTACTAAA AAGATTGAGCCGAG | EMSA/5A |
| <i>rbcL</i> 89-133: | GTTATCTGTTGTATATACTATTTTTTTTGATA GATACATACTTAAATTT | EMSA/5A |
| <i>rbcL</i> 134-178 | AGATAGAAAAAAACTCTTCAATAAAAA AAAGAAGATTAACACAATA | EMSA/5A |
| <i>rbcL</i> 179-235 | CAATTTTGTATTGTAGTGTGTGTCCACA AGAAATCCTATACGAAACA | EMSA/5A |
| <i>rrn16S</i> -f | TGGGCGTAAAGCGTCTGTAGGTG | probe/S7 |
| <i>rrn16S</i> -r | GGCTACCTTGTACGACTTCACTCC | probe/S7 |
| <i>rrn23S</i> -f | AGGAGAGCACTCATCTTGGGGTGGG | probe/S7 |
| <i>rrn23S</i> -r | TTCAAACGAGGAAAGGCTTACGGTG | probe/S7 |
| <i>psbD</i> -f | ATGACTATAGCCCTTGGTAAATTTA | probe/S2 |
| <i>psbD</i> -r | TTAAAGAGCGTTTCCACGTGGTAGA | probe/S2 |
| <i>atpB</i> -f: | ATGAGAACAATCCTACTACTTCAA | probe/S2 |
| <i>atpB</i> -r | TCATTTCTTCAATTTACTCTCCATT | probe/S2 |
| <i>psaA</i> -f | ATGATTATTCGTTCCGCCGAACCAG | probe/S2 |
| <i>psaA</i> -r | TTATCCTACTGCAATAATTCTTGCT | probe/S2 |
| <i>accD</i> -p1: | CGAGATTTTACTAAAAAAGTTCTTAATATT CTTATATTCATAAGC | EMSA/S5 |
| <i>accD</i> -p2: | AAGAACAATATTTCTTTTTTTTATGAG AATTTTACACAATAT | EMSA/S5 |

Supplemental Table 1. List of Primers Used in This Study (Continued)

| Name | Sequence 5' → 3' | Experiment / Figure |
|---------------------|---|---------------------|
| <i>rps16i-f</i> | GCAATGAGACAAACAAAAAAGGGC | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>rps16i-r</i> | CCATAAAAAGCATTCCATAACATTCG | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>trnQ-f</i> | CGCTATTCGGAGGTTCCGAATCCTTC | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>trnQ-r</i> | GAAAGATGGTGTACAAAGGCAATAG | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>trnT.1-f</i> | TAGACTTTCAAATGAAATTTTGACT | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>trnT.1-r</i> | GTAAGTCATCGGTTCAAATCCGATA | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>ndhD-2-f</i> | ATAGCTCCATTAAGTCCAGGATCCG | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>ndhD-2-r</i> | GTATGCTTCTCGCTGGAATCTTATT | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>ndhF-5'-2-f</i> | TACTAAGAAAAGTCCACATGCGGCG | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>ndhF-5'-2-r</i> | GGATCATCCCTTTCATTCCACTTCC | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>Ycf1.2-4-f</i> | CCCAAATAACAGTTTTACGCCTTTG | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>Ycf1.2-4-r</i> | CGATGAAATGGCTTTGATCCGTTAT | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>Ycf2.1-1-f</i> | GTTAATACGATATAGAAGGGCCGCT | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>Ycf2.1-1-r</i> | GTATCCTACTTTTGCGCAATTCACA | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>4.5S-5S-f</i> | TGCTTTTCTCGCATGCCTTTCTTCG | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>4.5S-5S-r</i> | CACCAAGTTCGGGATGGATTGGTGT | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>psbL-psbJ-f</i> | GTAATTTTATTATCCCATTCCGGATG | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>psbL-psbJ-r</i> | TATCCCCTCCCTCCACATTTAAT | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>PsaJ-rpl33-f</i> | GTAGAATAAATTAGAAAAGGTGGGG | QPCR/S8 |
| <i>PsaJ-rpl33-r</i> | GTATCTGATAGGTTCCCTAGCAACA | QPCR/S8 |
| P1 | ACCTGGTGCAGCAGCTAATCGTGTG | RTPCR/S9 |
| P2 | CAATTGCCGGAATACTAAGCCTAC | RTPCR/S9 |
| P3 | CAGTAGTAGGTAAGTTAGAAGGGGA | RTPCR/S9 |
| P4 | GCGCGGTAAAGGAGGGAAAATAGCA | RTPCR/S9 |
| P5 | GAAGTGAATAGAATAACCCGGTTA | RTPCR/S9 |
| P6 | GTCACTTGTTGACTCACGATTGTGC | RTPCR/S9 |
| P7 | GGGCTTTGTTGATTTACTGCGTGAT | RTPCR/S9 |
| P8 | CTGTCACCGTTACTCTCACTACCAC | RTPCR/S9 |
| P9 | GTAGGTAAACTTGAAGGAGACAGGG | RTPCR/S9 |
| P10 | CTATCCATTGCTTTACTTAGCTCAC | RTPCR/S9 |
| P11 | GTGATCTTGCTCGCGAAGGTAATGA | RTPCR/S9 |
| P12 | GTCTTAGTGAATCCCGATTTCGACAT | RTPCR/S9 |
| RHON1-PSN1301-S | GCCGGATCCATGGCGATGTCGGGAACCTTC | cDNA/1A |
| RHON1-PSN1301-A | GGCGGTACCTCAGCTGGAATCACTACCAAG | cDNA/1A |
| RHON1-ADRD-S | GCCGAATTCTATTCTAGCGAGGCAACTTTT | cloning/6B |
| RHON1-ADRD-A | GGCCTCGAGTCACTCCACTAATTCGGCTTT | cloning/6B |
| RHON1-AD-A | GGCCTCGAGTCATTTACGGCTTCTTCCTC | cloning/6B |
| RHON1-GST-S | GAAGAATCCCAGCAAGTTCTGGCGGCTATA | cloning/6E |
| RHON1-GST-A | GGCCTCGAGTCACTGGAATCACTACCAAG | cloning/6E |
| OS73-GST-S | GCCGGATCCTGCAGTGCTAATCCCAACAAC | cloning/6E |
| OS73-GST-A | GGCGTCACTCAAGCCATGTTGCTCAGCAG | cloning/6E |
| Rho-GST-S | GCCCCGGGATGAATCTTACCGAAT | cloning/6E |
| Rho-GST-A | GCCCTCGAGTTATGAGCGTTTCATCATT | cloning/6E |
| OS73-1301-S | GCCGGATCCATGCTGCTTCCGCCGCATCCA | cDNA/7C |
| OS73-1301-A | GGCGGTACCTCAAGCCATGTTGCTCAGCAG | cDNA/7C |
| RHON1-GST-KE-A | GGCCTCGAGTCACTGGAATCACTACCA AGCAACTCCACTAATTCGGCGGCCTTC | cDNA/S5B |
| RHON1-GST-GE-A | CTACCAAGCAACTCCACTAATTCGGCTTTCTTCATCT TTGACAACCCTTTTAGTCCCCGTGACTTTGCTATCTC | cDNA/S5B |
| RHON1-GST-LD-A | GGCCTCGAGTCACTGGAATCACTACCAAGCAACTC CACTAATTCGGCTTTCTTCATCTTTGACAACCCTTTTA GTCCCCGTGACTTTGCTATGCCTCTGTC | cDNA/ S5B |

Supplemental Methods

Microarray

The microassay was performed using Uniplastomic Macroarray Kit as describe (Zghidi et al. 2007). The synthetic oligonucleotide probes in sense-and antisense direction (60-mers) for the whole transcriptome of the plastid chromosome were spotted on nylon membranes. Each DNA sample was spotted two times on a nylon membrane. 2 µg of total RNA from *rhon1-2* mutant and wild-type seedlings was labeled using accompanied cDNA Labeling Kit in the in the presence of 100 µCi of [α -³²P]dATP. The cDNA samples were treated with RNase H at 37°C for 15 min and non-incorporated deoxyribonucleotides were removed by passage through Sephadex G50. Hybridization was carried out at 65 °C for 12 h. After washing microarrays were scanned and analyzed using ImageMaster TM 2D Platinum software version 5.0. uminescent substrate.

Circularized RNA RT-PCR

The precise 5' and 3' ends of the plastid transcripts were determined using cRT-PCR as described in Pfalz et al (2009). Briefly, 10 µg RNA was circularized with T4 RNA ligase at 37°C for 1 h and then subjected to AMV reverse transcription with 2 pmol primer (mapping within ~100 nucleotides of the anticipated 5' end) for the synthesis of cDNA spanning the junction of the 5' and 3' ligated ends. This junction region was amplified by PCR using gene-specific primers, cloned into pGEM-T (Promega) and sequenced.

Phylogenetic analysis

A multiple alignment of RHON1 homologs and a phylogenetic tree were constructed using the A la Carte mode (Muscle 3.7 for multiple alignment; Gblocks 0.91b for alignment refinement; MrBayes 3.1.2 for phylogeny using maximum likelihood 6 number of substitution types, default substitution model, invariable + γ rates variations, MCMC 10,000 generations; TreeDyn 198.3 for Tree rending) of the Phylogeny.fr program online (Dereeper et al., 2008). The multiple sequence alignment used to construct the phylogeny was shown in Supplemental Data Set 1 online.

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