

Supplemental Table S1. Primer information

Gene	Forward and reverse primers	Purpose
TUA1	F: GCTCTAGATGAGAGAGTGCATTTTCGATTCA R: TCC <u>CCCGG</u> TCAGTACTCATCTCCTTCAT	Cloning
TUA1dY	F: GCTCTAGATGAGAGAGTGCATTTTCGATTCA R: ACGCGT <u>CGACT</u> CACTCATCTCCTTCATCACCAT	Cloning
TUA1dEY	F: GCTCTAGATGAGAGAGTGCATTTTCGATTCA R: ACGCGT <u>CGACT</u> CAATCTCCTTCATCACCATCCT	Cloning
TUB9	F: GCTCTAGATGAGAGAAATCCTTCATG R: TCC <u>CCCGG</u> TTAGTTCTCCATAGGCTCTT	Cloning
TUB15	F: GCTCTAGATGAGAGAAATCCTTCACATTC R: TCC <u>CCCGG</u> CTAGGCAGCCTCTCCTCCT	Cloning
TUA1dY/TUA1dEY transgenes	F: GCTCTAGATGAGAGAGTGCATTTTCGATTCA R: ATCGCAAGACCGCAACAGG	genomic PCR
TUB9 transgene	F: GCTCTAGATGAGAGAAATCCTTCATG R: ATCGCAAGACCGCAACAGG	genomic PCR
TUB15 transgene	F: GCTCTAGATGAGAGAAATCCTTCACATTC R: ATCGCAAGACCGCAACAGG	genomic PCR
Glycosyltransferase (housekeeping)	F: TTGGGCTTGAGCAAAGTGG R: AGATCCACCCTCCAACAGTG	genomic PCR
HPT	F: GAGGGCGAAGAATCTCGTGC R: GATGTTGGCGACCTCGTATTG	genomic PCR
NPT	F: GAACAAGATGGATTGCACGC R: GAAGAACTCGTCAAGAAGGC	genomic PCR
TUA1 endogene	F: CGATGGAGAGGATGGTGATGAAGGA R: CACGTACCAACAGACATGGTCTAAGC	qRT-PCR
TUB9 endogene	F: CAGTCATGTTTAGGAGAAARGCGT R: CAACTCATCCTTGAAGCCATRGCC	qRT-PCR
TUB15 endogene	F: ACAGCTATGTTTCAGGAGGAAGGCT R: TCACACCAGCCACATGGCTTAMTA	qRT-PCR
TUA1dY/TUA1dEY transgenes	F: CGATGGAGAGGATGGTGATGAAGGA R: TAATCATCGCAAGACCGCAACAG	qRT-PCR
TUB9 transgene	F: CAGTCATGTTTAGGAGAAARGCGT R: TAATCATCGCAAGACCGCAACAG	qRT-PCR
TUB15 transgene	F: ACAGCTATGTTTCAGGAGGAAGGCT R: TAATCATCGCAAGACCGCAACAG	qRT-PCR
elongation factor 1- β (housekeeping)	F: GACCTKGTATCAGTGGATTCCCTC R: GAACAGAGGCACAAGATTACCAGG	qRT-PCR
actin (housekeeping)	F: GCGGTGATGGTGAGTTCTTTCT R: ATCGAGAGGGAGGACCATTACAGT	qRT-PCR
actin-related protein (housekeeping)	F: ACTGTGAGGAGATGCAGAAACGCA R: GCTGTGTCACGGCATTCAATGYT	qRT-PCR

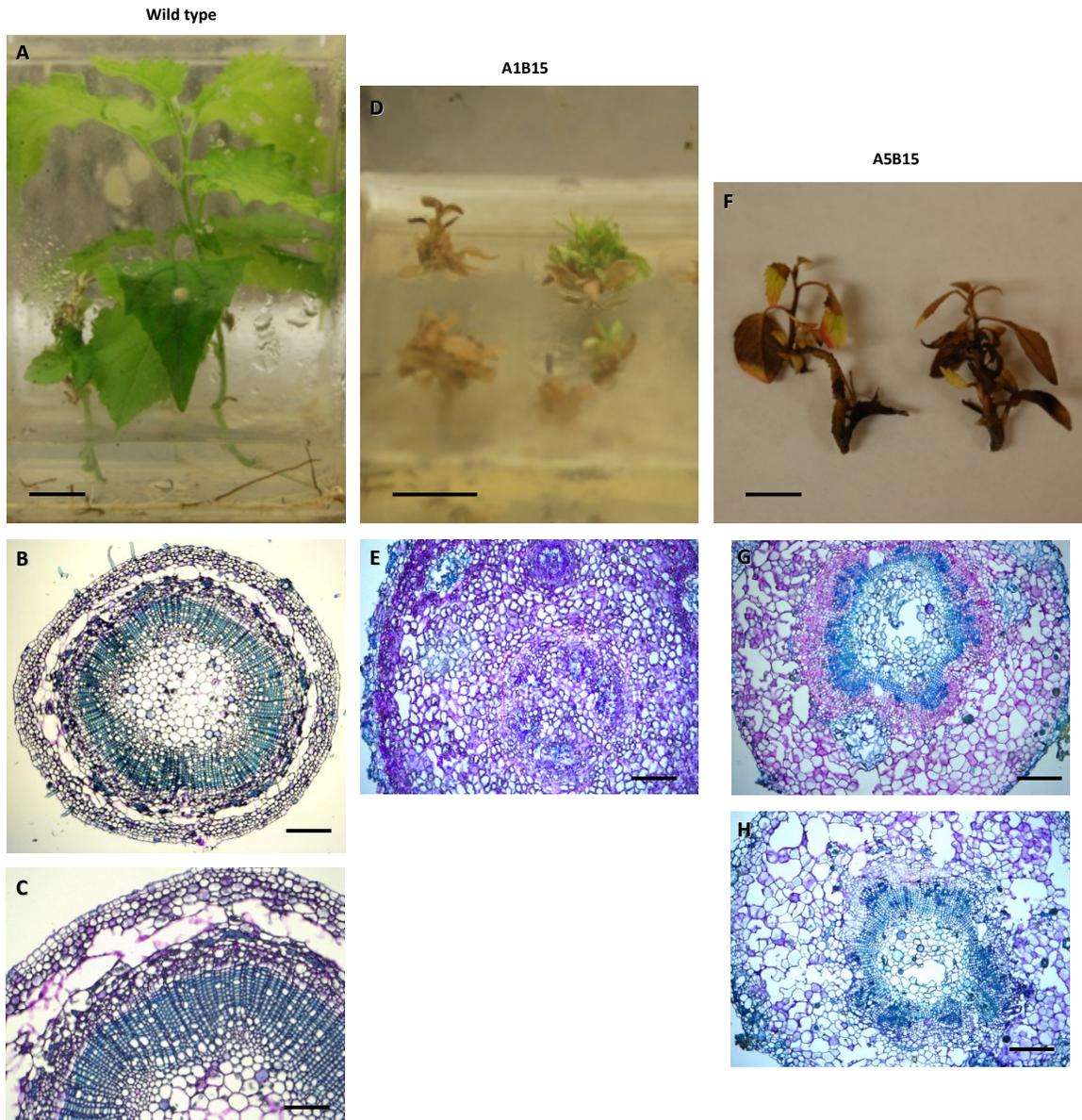
Supplemental Table S2. Summary of transformation response from multiple trials

Construct pair	explant	callus^a	shoot^a	root^a
TUA1+TUB9	106	8	1	0
TUA1+TUB15	100	6	1	0
TUA5+TUB9	98	3	0	0
TUA5+TUB15	100	6	1	0
TUA1dY+TUB9 (A1dYB9)	114	11	3	1
TUA1dY+TUB15	90	10	2	0
TUA1dEY+TUB9 (A1dEYB9)	118	15	2	2
TUA1dEY+TUB15 (A1dEYB15)	103	17	11	4 ^c
Vector control ^b	42	> 15	> 5	5

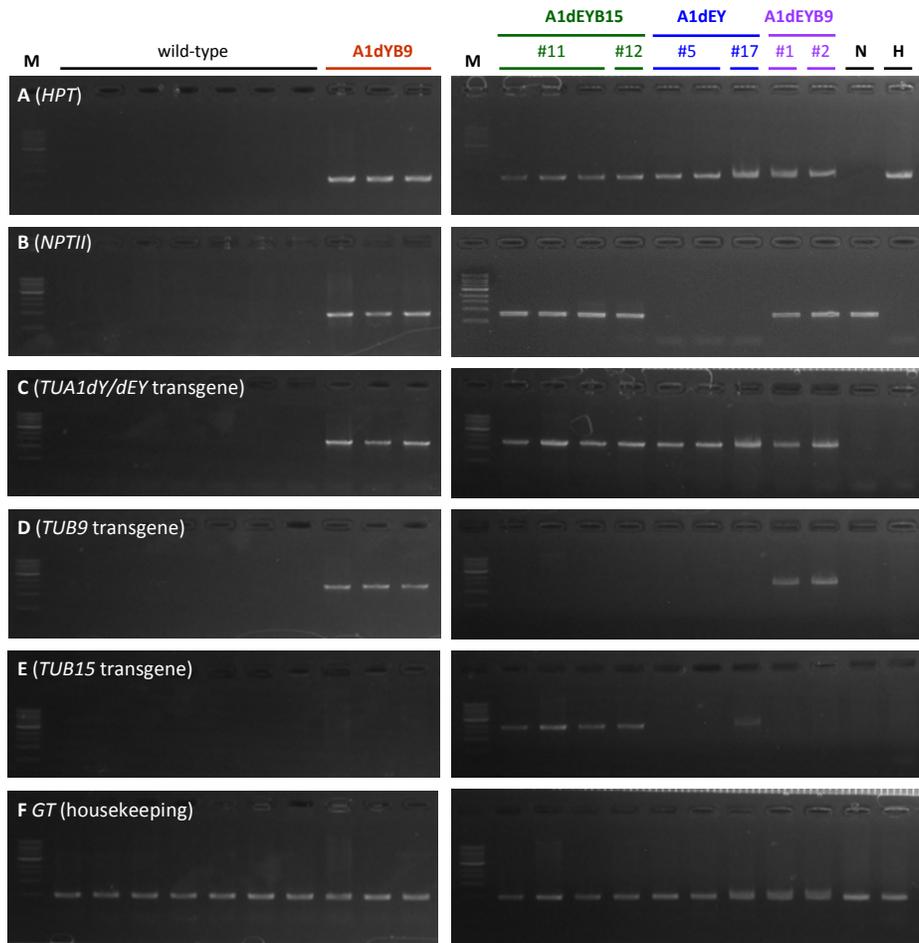
^aNumbers of putative independent events are shown.

^bOnly subsets of events were advanced through the regeneration process.

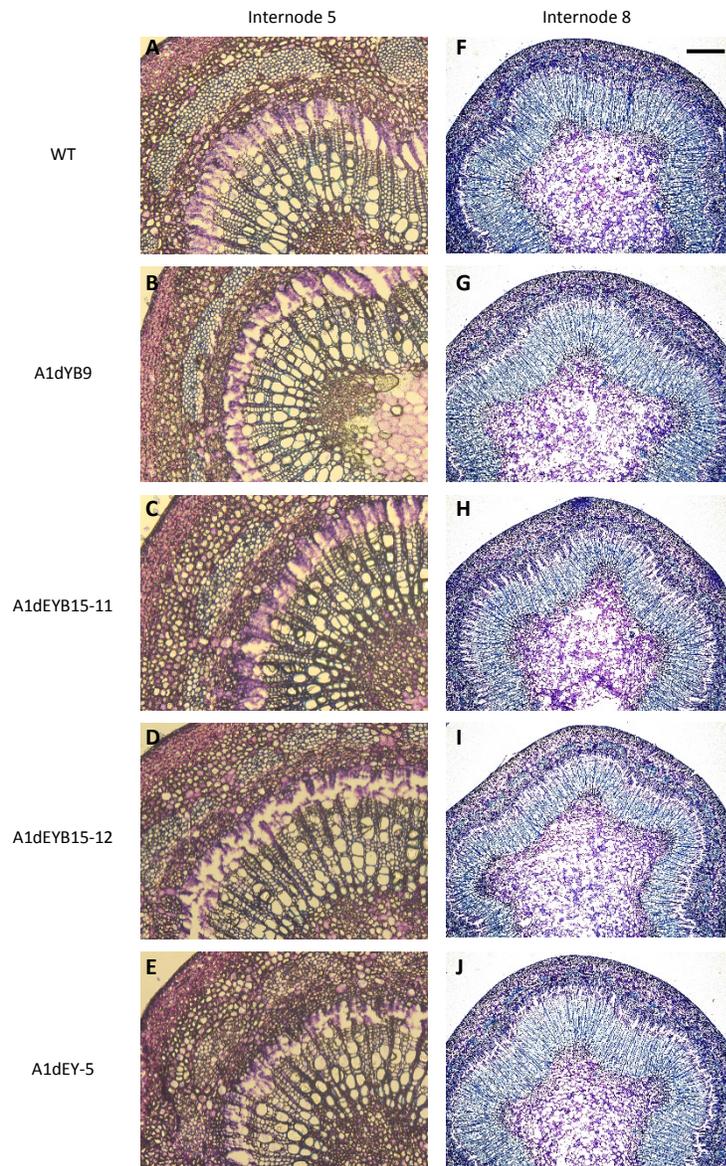
^cOne event was later confirmed to contain only the TUA1dEY transgene.



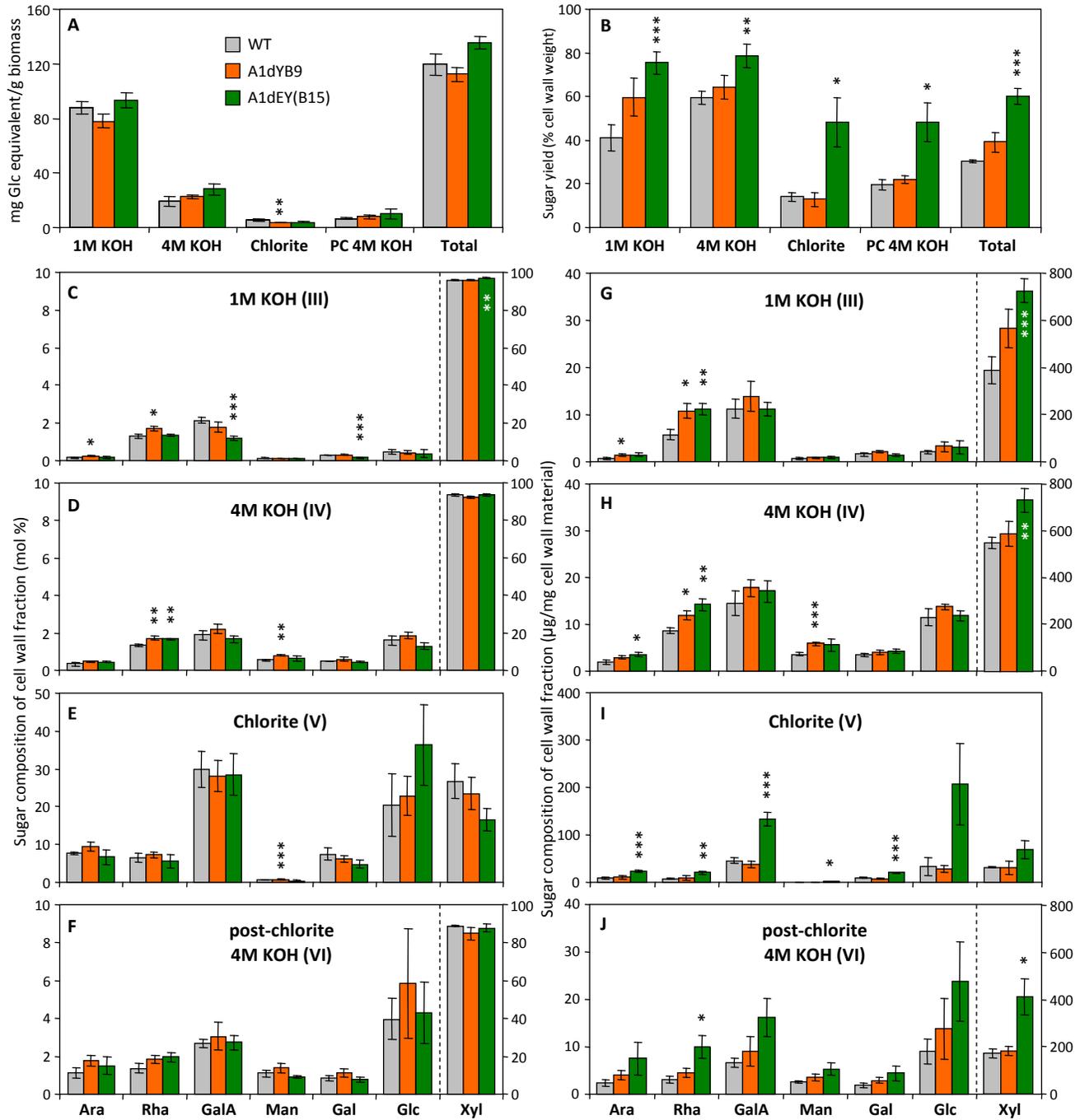
Supplemental Fig. S1. Abnormal vascular development was observed in nonviable transgenic lines. A-C, Wild type; D-E, transformants derived from co-transformation of *TUA1* and *TUB15* (A1B15); F-H, transformants derived from co-transformation of *TUA5* and *TUB15* (A5B15). Scale bar = 1 cm (A, D, F), 500 μ m (B) or 125 μ m (C, E, G, H).



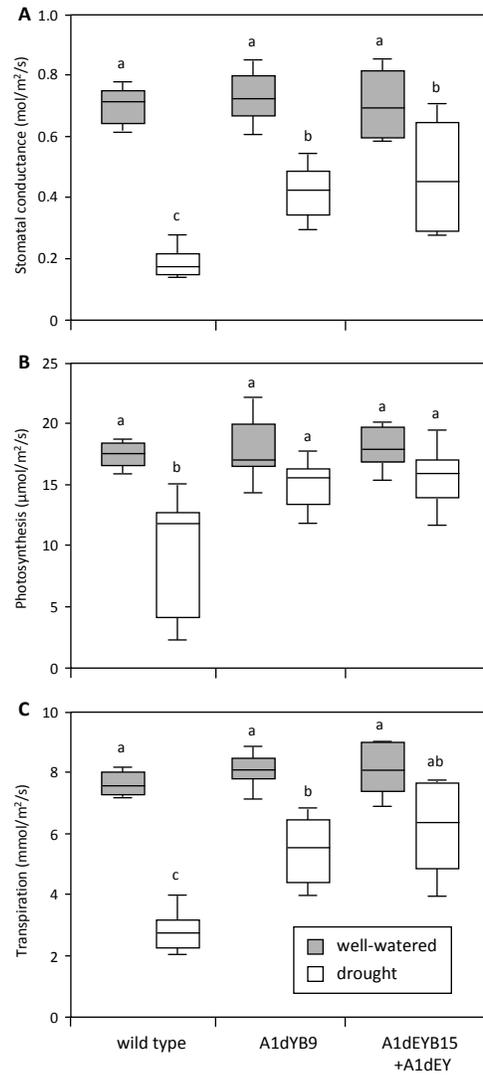
Supplemental Fig. S2. PCR analysis of wild-type and transgenic plants using gene-specific primers. (A) Selectable marker hygromycin phospho-transferase (*HPT*) gene from the *TUA* constructs. (B) Selectable marker neomycin phosphotransferase II (*NPTII*) gene from the *TUB* constructs. (C) *TUA1/dY/dEY* transgene. (D) *TUB9* transgene. (E) *TUB15* transgene. (F) A single-copy glycosyltransferase (*GT*) gene Potri.016G014500 as housekeeping control. A1dY, TUA1dY; A1dEY, TUA1dEY; B9, TUB9; B15, TUB15; M, molecular weight markers; N and H, vector controls with the *NPTII* or *HPT* construct, respectively. The A1dEY #5 and #17 lines was originally obtained from transformation with the A1dEYB15 combination, but found to harbor only the *TUA* and *HPT* transgenes.



Supplemental Fig. S3. Stem cross sections of wild-type and transgenic plants. Paraffin sections (10 μm) were stained with toluidine blue and visualized under a light microscope. Scale bar = 125 μm (A-E) or 500 μm (F-J).



Supplemental Fig. S4. Total sugars and glycosyl composition of sequential cell wall extracts of wild-type and transgenic plants. (A) Total sugars in each cell wall fraction as measured by the phenol-sulfuric acid method. (B) Total sugar yield in each cell wall fraction recovered by methanolysis. (C-J) Sugar composition expressed as mol % (C-F) or as µg sugar/g cell wall material (G-J) in each fraction. Data are mean ± SE of n=3-9 in (A) or n= 3-5 in (B-J). Refer to the right axis for Xyl in C, D, F, G, H and J. Statistical significance was determined by two-sample t-test (** $P \leq 0.01$; ** $P < 0.05$; * $P < 0.1$).



Supplemental Fig. S5. Photosynthetic responses of wild-type and transgenic leaves from replicate drought experiments. **(A)** stomatal conductance, **(B)** net photosynthesis, and **(C)** transpiration rates of LPI-15 under well-watered or drought conditions. Statistical significance was determined by one-way ANOVA (n= 3 for WT and 6-7 for the transgenics).