

1 **Additional file 3. PCR primers**

Gene	Gene name / function	Locus ID	Forward primer (5'-3')	Reverse primer (5'-3')	Reference
<b>OsWRKY45</b>	<i>Transcription factor</i>	Os05g0322900	CGGGTAAAACGATCGAAAGA	TTTCGAAAGCGGAAGAACAG	Shimono et al. 2007
<b>OsPR1b</b>	<i>Pathogenesis related protein</i>	Os01g0382000	ACGGGCGTACGTACTGGCTA	CTCGGTATGGACCGTGAAG	Shimono et al. 2007
<b>UBQ</b>	<i>Ubiquitin</i>	Os06g0681400	GTGGTGGCCAGTAAGTCCTC	GGACACAATGATTAGGGATCA	Shimono et al. 2007
<b>OsCOMT1</b>	<i>Caffeic acid O-methyltransferase</i>	Os08g0157500	AGGTGTTGACCATCGTCTT	CACCGGAATTGAACATCAAA	Shimizu et al.. 2012
<b>eEF-1a</b>	<i>Elongation factor</i>	Os03g0177500	TTTCACTCTTGGTGTGAAGCAGAT	GACTTCCTTCACGATTCATCGTAA	Jain et al. 2006
<b>OsKSL4</b>	<i>kaurene synthase-like</i>	Os04g0179700	CGCCTTTGTAAGTCTAAGGTA	ACGTAAAAGGCTTGATATC	Okada et al. 2009
<b>OsCht3</b>	<i>Chitinase</i>	Os06g0726100	AGCTATGGCGATAACCTGGA	TCGTCTGCTCGGATCAAATA	This study

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