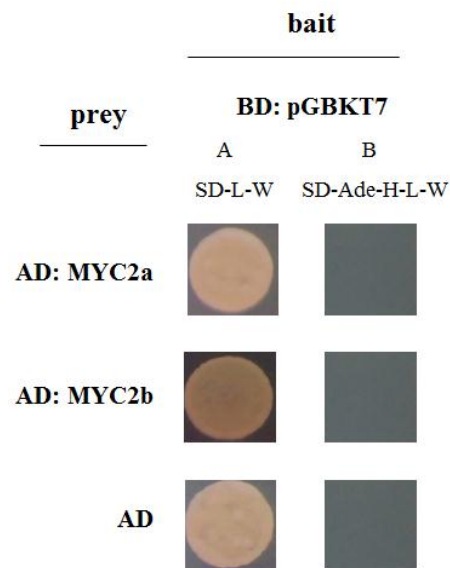
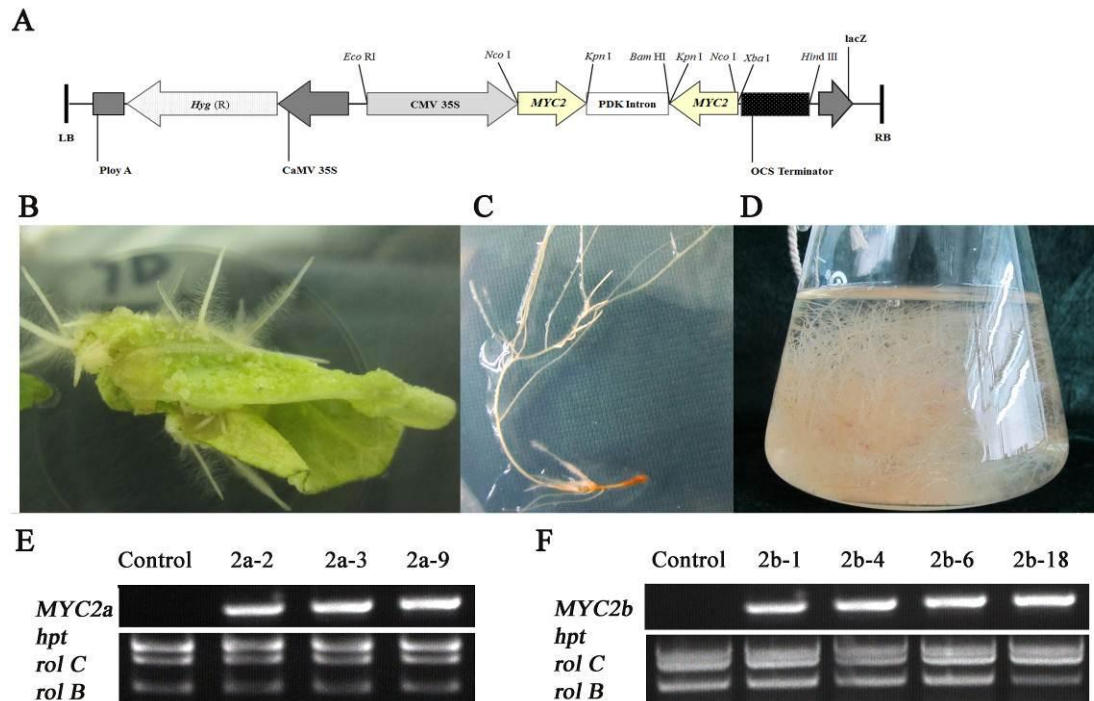


SmMYC2a* and *SmMYC2b* played similar but irreplaceable roles in regulating the biosynthesis of tanshinones and phenolic acids in *Salvia miltiorrhiza

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Supplementary Figure S1. *SmMYC2a* and *SmMYC2b* were not capable of auto-activating reporting genes in Y2H assay.



Supplementary Figure S2. Construction of *MYC2a/b-RNAi* transgenic hairy root lines.

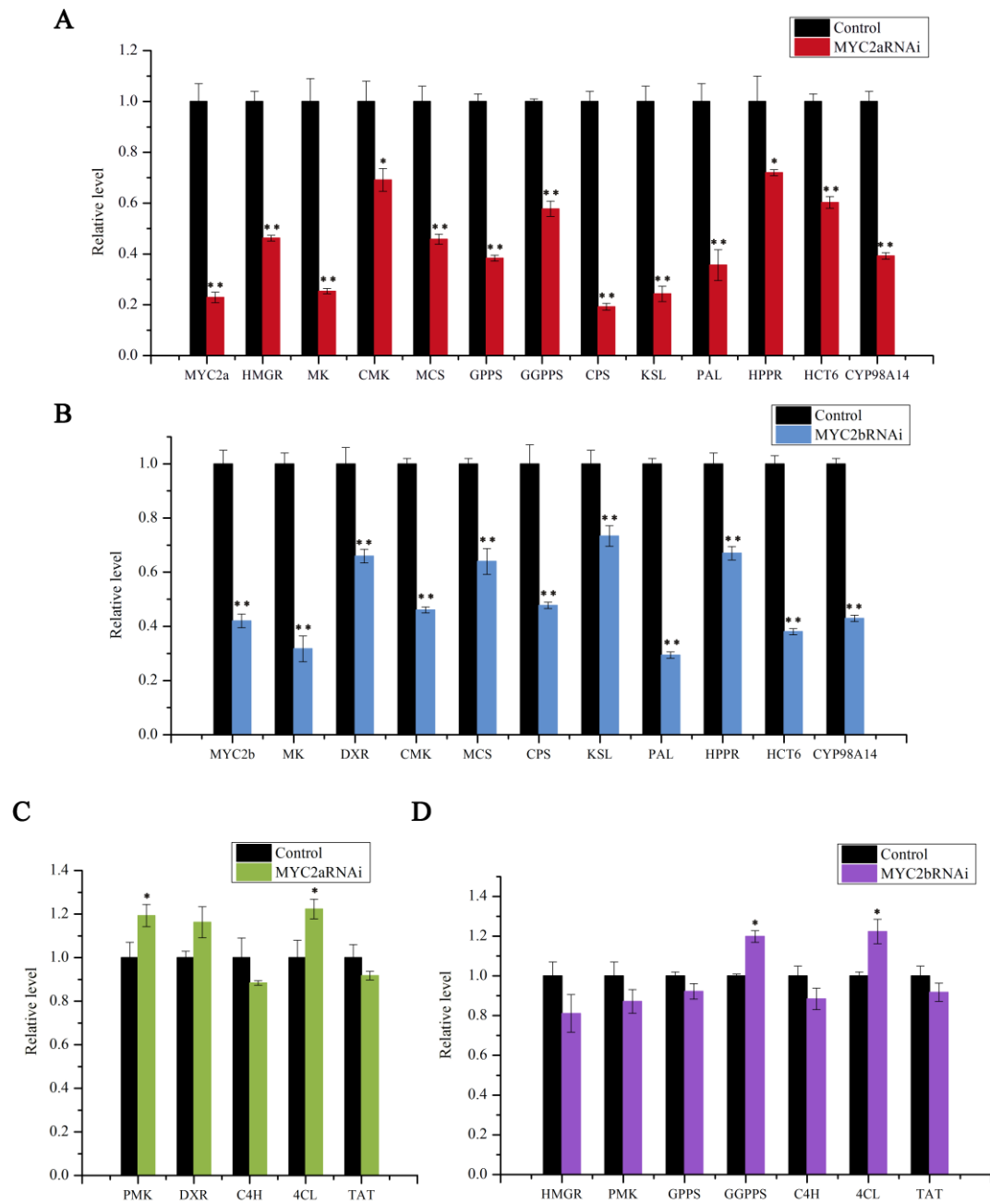
(A) Schematic representation of *pCambia1300-pHANNBIAL* vector.

(B) Fresh hairy roots from leaf explant which carried *pCambia1300-pHANNBIAL* vector.

(C) Hairy roots of (B) after hygromycin selection.

(D) Hairy roots of (B) in liquid medium.

(E, F) Identification of *MYC2a/b* transgenic hairy roots by PCR amplification of *MYC2*, *hpt*, *rol B*, and *rol C* genes.



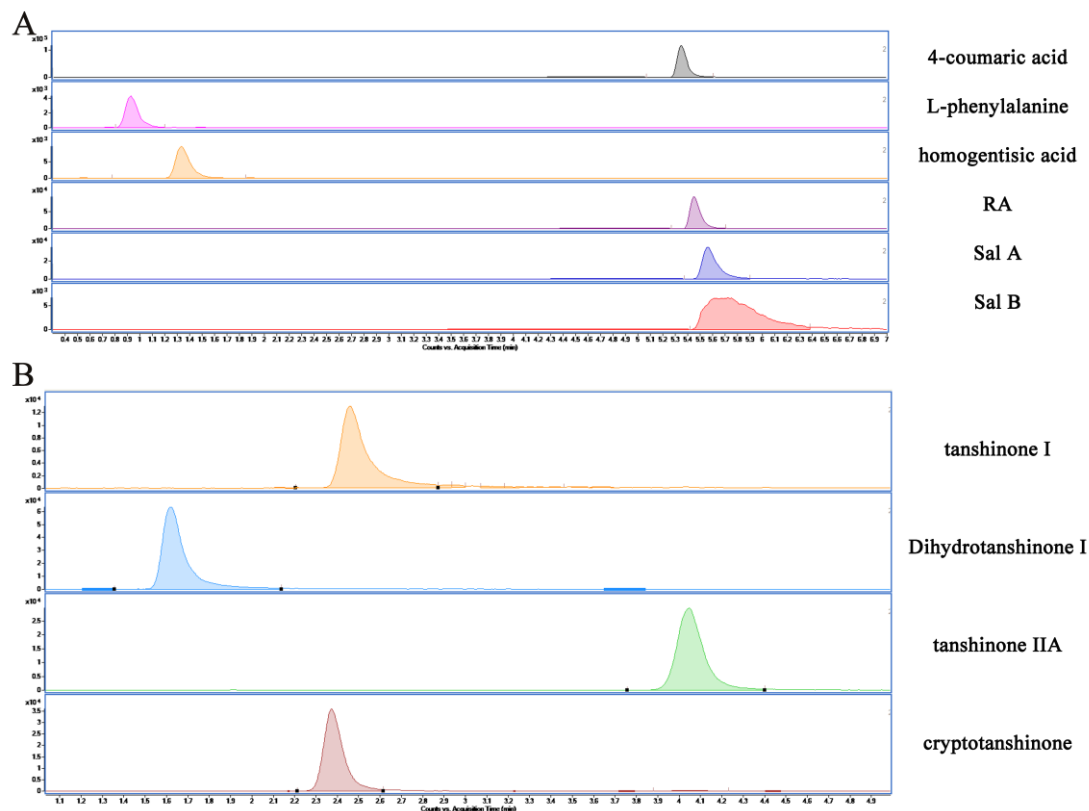
Supplementary Figure S3. Expression of *SmMYC2a/b* and pathway genes in control hairy roots and transgenic *SmMYC2a/b* suppressed hairy roots. Each data point was the average of three or four biological replicates. *Actin* was used as a control for normalization. Error bars indicated SD. "*" indicated $p < 0.05$ and "**" indicated $p < 0.01$.

(A) Expression of significantly repressed genes in *MYC2a-RNAi* transgenic hairy roots.

(B) Expression of significantly repressed genes in *MYC2b-RNAi* transgenic hairy

roots.

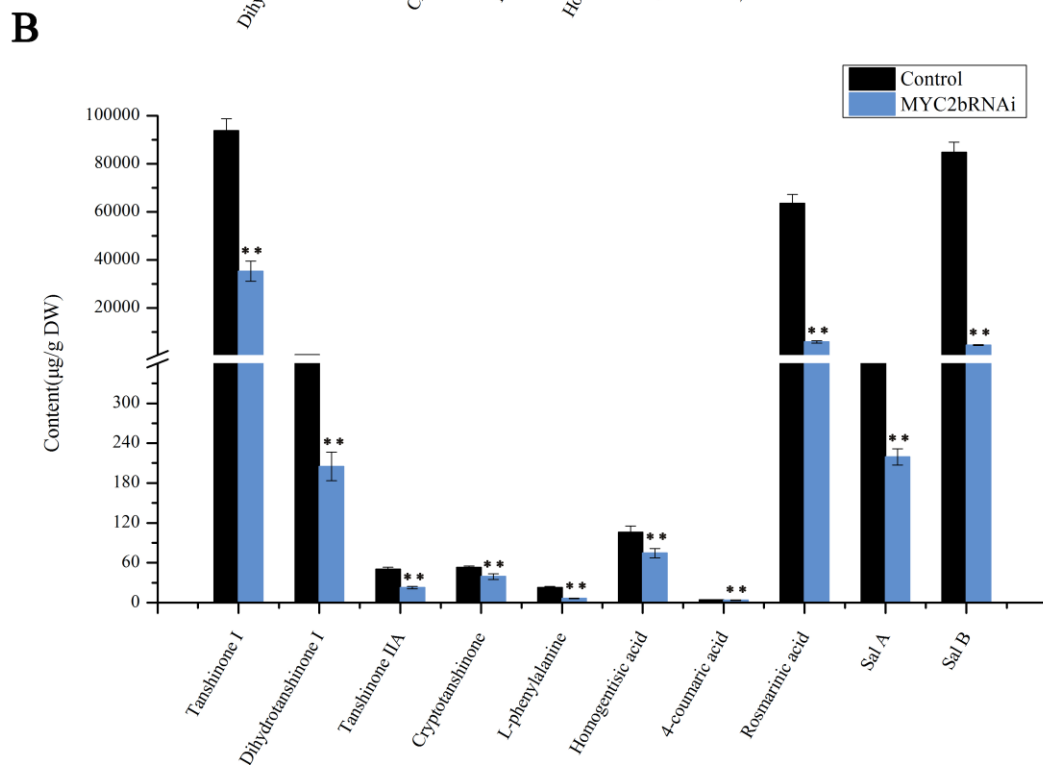
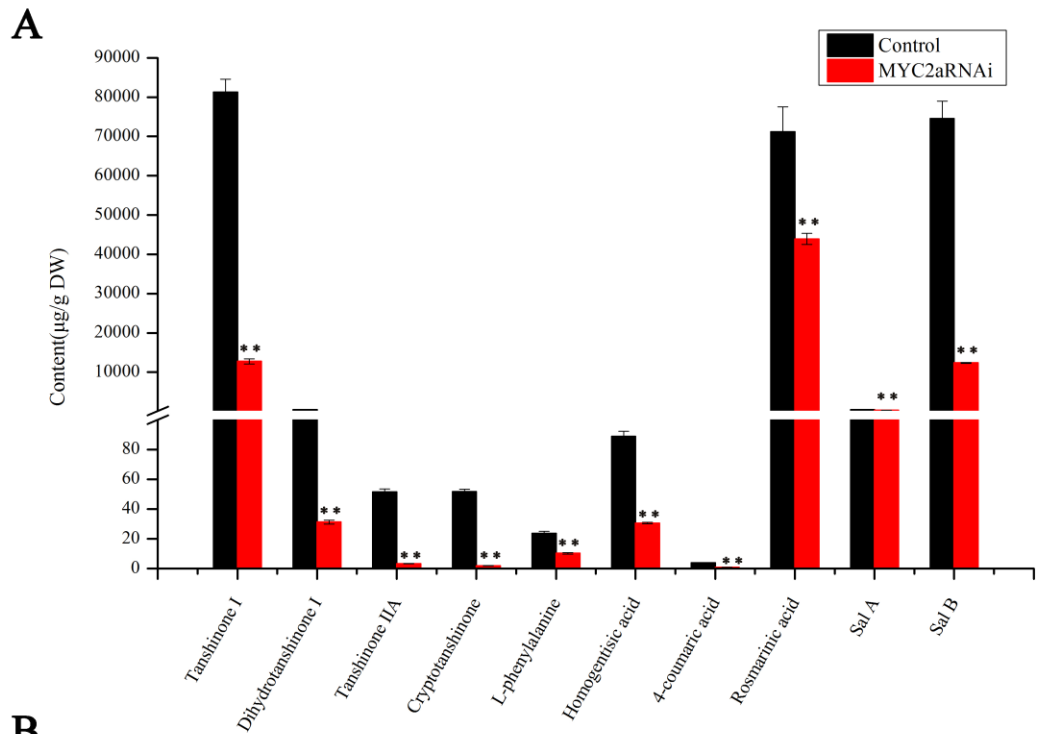
(C, D) Other genes tested in *MYC2a/b-RNAi* transgenic hairy roots.



Supplementary Figure S4. Chromatogram map of 10 standard substances determined.

(A) 6 hydrophilic phenolic acid compounds using ESI in negative-ion mode.

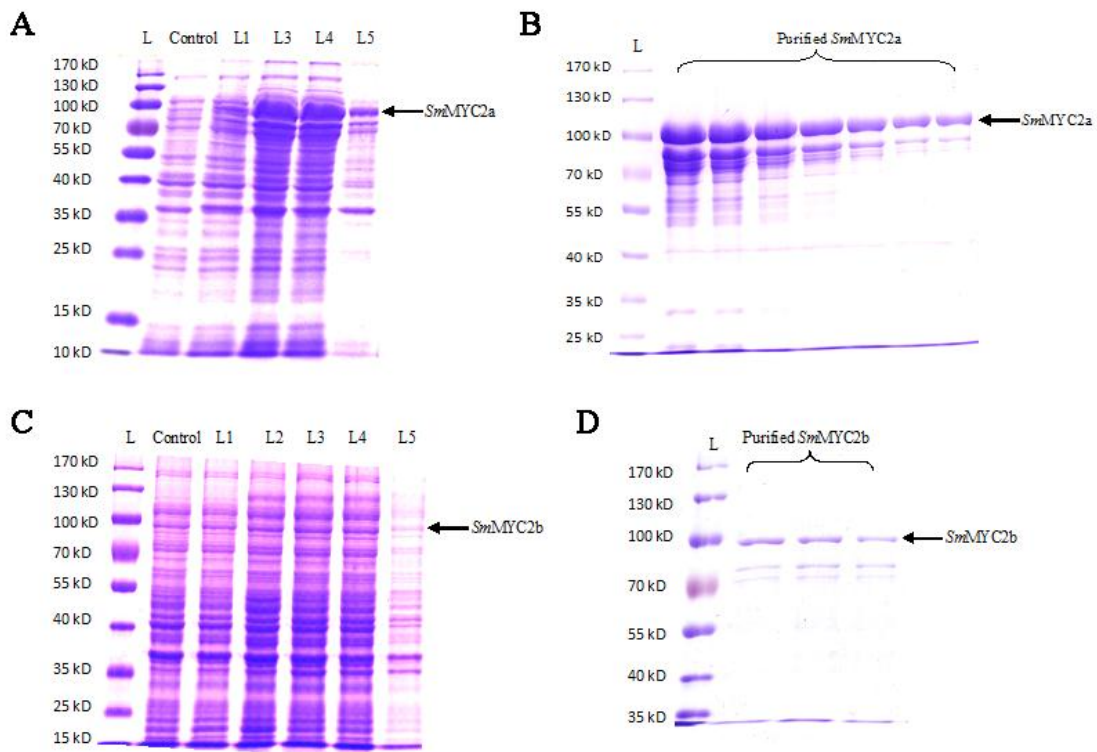
(B) 4 lipophilic tanshinones using positive-ion mode.



Supplementary Figure S5. Determination of content of target compounds in transgenic *MYC2a/b-RNAi* hairy roots. "*" indicated $p < 0.05$ and "***" indicated $p < 0.01$.

(A) The yield of compounds was affected by RNAi of *SmMYC2a*. Each data point was the average of three biological replicates. Error bars indicated SD.

(B) Content of compounds changed in transgenic *SmMYC2b* hairy roots compared with control group. Each data point was the average of three or four biological replicates. Error bars indicated SD.



Supplementary Figure S6. Expression and purification of *SmMYC2a* and *SmMYC2b* proteins.

L: Prestained Protein Ladder (10-170 kD);

Control, uninduced *E.coli* strain BL21(DE3) which carried *pET-32a*;

Lane 1, induced *E.coli* strain BL21(DE3) which carried *pET-32a* by 1mM IPTG;

Lane 2, uninduced *E.coli* strain BL21(DE3) which carried *pET-32a-MYC2*;

Lane 3, induced *E.coli* strain BL21(DE3) which carried *pET-32a-MYC2* by 1mM IPTG;

Lane 4, supernatant of Lane 3;

Lane 5, precipitation of Lane 3.

(A, B) Recombinant *SmMYC2a* protein expressed in *E.coli* BL21 (DE3) and purified *SmMYC2a* protein applying immobilized metal affinity chromatography technique.

(C, D) SDS-PAGE analysis of recombinant and purified *SmMYC2b* proteins.

Supplementary Table S1. Information of released bHLH genes used in the construction of phylogenetic tree.

Name	Gene ID	Plant	Family
<i>AlbHLLH</i>	XM_002892031.1	<i>Arabidopsis lyrata</i> subsp. <i>lyrata</i>	Brassicaceae
<i>AlbHLLH2</i>	XM_002882027.1	<i>Arabidopsis lyrata</i> subsp. <i>lyrata</i>	Brassicaceae
<i>AlMYC2</i>	XM_002893686.1	<i>Arabidopsis lyrata</i> subsp. <i>lyrata</i>	Brassicaceae
<i>AtabHLLH13</i>	KD597917.1	<i>Aegilops tauschii</i>	Poaceae
<i>AtbHLLH13</i>	NM_100009.2	<i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i>	Brassicaceae
<i>AtbHLLHai</i>	NM_130216.2	<i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i>	Brassicaceae
<i>AtMYC2</i>	NM_102998.3	<i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i>	Brassicaceae
<i>AtMYC4</i>	NM_117897.3	<i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i>	Brassicaceae
<i>BoMYC</i>	EF423803.1	<i>Brassica oleracea</i> var. <i>gemmifera</i>	Brassicaceae
<i>CsMYC2</i>	AF283507.2	<i>Catharanthus roseus</i>	Vinceae
<i>CsMYC2a</i>	CM002924.1	<i>Cucumis sativus</i>	Vinceae
<i>GhbHLLH</i>	FJ358540.1	<i>Gossypium hirsutum</i>	Malvaceae
<i>GobHLLH13</i>	KN667611.1	<i>Glycine soja</i>	Fabaceae
<i>GsbHLLH13</i>	KN660483.1	<i>Glycine soja</i>	Fabaceae
<i>LeMYC1</i>	KC818627.1	<i>Lithospermum erythrorhizon</i>	Boraginaceae
<i>MtbHLLH1</i>	XM_003612861.1	<i>Medicago truncatula</i>	Fabaceae
<i>MtbHLLH2</i>	CM001224.2	<i>Medicago truncatula</i>	Fabaceae
<i>MtbHLLH3</i>	CM001223.2	<i>Medicago truncatula</i>	Fabaceae
<i>MtbHLLHai</i>	CM001224.2	<i>Medicago truncatula</i>	Fabaceae

<i>MtMYC2</i>	XM_003628772.1	<i>Medicago truncatula</i>	Fabaceae
<i>NaMYC2</i>	KC832837.1	<i>Nicotiana attenuata</i>	Solanaceae
<i>NaMYC1</i>	KC906192.1	<i>Nicotiana attenuata</i>	Solanaceae
<i>NbbHLH1</i>	GQ859152.1	<i>Nicotiana benthamiana</i>	Solanaceae
<i>NbbHLH2</i>	GQ859153.1	<i>Nicotiana benthamiana</i>	Solanaceae
<i>NtMYC1b</i>	GQ859159.1	<i>Nicotiana tabacum</i>	Solanaceae
<i>NtMYC2a</i>	GQ859160.1	<i>Nicotiana tabacum</i>	Solanaceae
<i>NtMYC2c</i>	GQ859158.1	<i>Nicotiana tabacum</i>	Solanaceae
<i>PsbHLH</i>	KJ466971.1	<i>Paeonia suffruticosa</i>	Paeoniaceae
<i>PtbHLH</i>	XM_002302601.2	<i>Populus trichocarpa</i>	Salicaceae
<i>RabHLH</i>	DQ078120.1	<i>Rheum australe</i>	Polygonaceae
<i>SIMYC2</i>	KF428776.1	<i>Solanum lycopersicum</i>	Solanaceae
<i>SmfMYC2</i>	KJ139992.1	<i>Salvia miltiorrhiza f. alba</i>	Lamiaceae
<i>StMYCa</i>	AJ630505.1	<i>Solanum tuberosum</i>	Solanaceae
<i>StMYCb</i>	AJ630506.1	<i>Solanum tuberosum</i>	Solanaceae
<i>TcbHLH</i>	XM_007039431.1	<i>Theobroma cacao</i>	Malvaceae
<i>TcMYC2i</i>	XM_007051465.1	<i>Theobroma cacao</i>	Malvaceae
<i>VvMYC2</i>	NM_001281045.1	<i>Vitis vinifera</i>	Vitaceae

Supplementary Table S2. Primers used for vector construction.

Primer name	Sequence(5'→3')	Note
<i>SmMYC2asclF</i>	AAAGATCTTATGATTGATTACCGCACGCC	Subcellularlocalization (<i>SmMYC2a</i>)
<i>SmMYC2asclR</i>	AAACTAGTTCTAATCTCAGCAACTTTAG	
<i>SmMYC2bsclF</i>	AAAGATCTTATGGGGGTTGTTGGTTGG	Subcellularlocalization (<i>SmMYC2b</i>)
<i>SmMYC2bsclR</i>	AAACTAGTCCCAGAGATAACTGATG	
<i>SmMYC2apeF</i>	AAGGATCCATGATTGATTACCGCACGCC	Prokaryoticexpression (<i>SmMYC2a</i>)
<i>SmMYC2apeR</i>	AAGCTTCTATCTAATCTCAGCAACTTTAG	
<i>SmMYC2bpeF</i>	AAGATATCATGGGGGTTGTTGGTTGG	Prokaryoticexpression (<i>SmMYC2b</i>)
<i>SmMYC2bpeR</i>	AAGTCGACTTACCCGAGAGATAACTGATG	
<i>SmMYC2apADF</i>	AACATATGATGATTGATTACCGCACGCC	Yeast-twohybrid (<i>SmMYC2a</i>)
<i>SmMYC2apADR</i>	AAGAATTCCTATCTAATCTCAGCAACTTTAG	
<i>SmMYC2bpADF</i>	GGGAATTCCATATGGAATTCCCGATGGGGGTTGTTGGTTGG	Yeast-twohybrid (<i>SmMYC2b</i>)
<i>SmMYC2bpADR</i>	TCCCCCGGGGGGATTACCCGAGAGATAACTGATG	
<i>SmJAZ1pBDF</i>	AAGAATTCATGGAGAGAGATTCATGGG	Yeast-twohybrid (<i>SmJAZ1</i>)
<i>SmJAZ1pBDR</i>	AAGGATCCTCAGTCATCCTTGCTGACGG	
<i>SmJAZ2pBDF</i>	AACATATGATGTCTAGTTCAAGAATG	Yeast-twohybrid (<i>SmJAZ2</i>)
<i>SmJAZ2pBDR</i>	AAGAATTCTCATAATTTGAGCTCAAG	
<i>SmMYC2aRNAiF</i>	AATCTAGACCATGGGGGCTCCACGGAGCCCATCTTC	RNAi(<i>SmMYC2a</i>)
<i>SmMYC2aRNAiR</i>	AAGGATCCGGTACCAGACCTCTTCTTACTCTCTCT	
<i>SmMYC2bRNAiF</i>	AATCTAGACCATGGCCTCAGGTCGAAACAAGC	RNAi(<i>SmMYC2b</i>)
<i>SmMYC2bRNAiR</i>	AAGGATCCGGTACCCCTTGAGGTCGCTCCAGTAAAATC	

Supplementary Table S3. Primers of *SmMYC2s* and pathway genes used for qRT-PCR analysis.

Primer name	Sequence (5'→3')	Note
<i>SmMYC2a</i> RTF	CTAGGAAACGGGGAAGGAAG	qRT-PCR(<i>SmMYC2a</i>)
<i>SmMYC2a</i> RTR	TGGACTTGAGCTCGTTGATG	
<i>SmMYC2b</i> RTF	GTTGCCAACGGGAATAGAG	qRT-PCR(<i>SmMYC2b</i>)
<i>SmMYC2b</i> RTR	GCTTCCTCGGCCTCTTATC	
<i>SmCMK</i> RTF	CCTTGGTGGTGGCAGCAGTAA	qRT-PCR(<i>SmCMK</i>)
<i>SmCMK</i> RTR	GGTGGAGGAATATCTTCGACG	
<i>SmDXR</i> RTF	TGGCCAGAGAGAATCTACTGC	qRT-PCR(<i>SmDXR</i>)
<i>SmDXR</i> RTR	GGCTGCACTAAGAACTCCGGT	
<i>SmHMGR</i> RTF	ACGTGCGTGTTGCTACGAGAC	qRT-PCR (<i>SmHMGR</i>)
<i>SmHMGR</i> RTR	CGTCGCCAGTGCTGCAACTAA	
<i>SmMCS</i> RTF	CCGACGGTGATGTATTGCTG	qRT-PCR (<i>SmMCS</i>)
<i>SmMCS</i> RTR	GCATAGATTGCCCCGCATAG	
<i>SmMK</i> RTF	AGAGCATTGGTAGCTGGTGT	qRT-PCR (<i>SmMK</i>)
<i>SmMK</i> RTR	TCTCCATCAGCTCCCCTAGT	
<i>SmPMK</i> RTF	AGCACCTTGGAGAGCTCATT	qRT-PCR (<i>SmMK</i>)
<i>SmPMK</i> RTR	CTTCCGGCTTGCTCTTTTGT	
<i>SmGPPS</i> RTF	TTGTTACACCGCTGCGAAAA	qRT-PCR (<i>SmGPPS</i>)
<i>SmGPPS</i> RTR	ATGTTTGCCTTGCGATTGGT	
<i>SmGGPPS</i> RTF	TGAAATCACGGAAGCGCATT	qRT-PCR (<i>SmGGPPS</i>)
<i>SmGGPPS</i> RTR	TCGTGGATCATCGGTGGATT	
<i>SmCPS</i> RTF	ACTACCGTTCATCAAGGCCA	qRT-PCR (<i>SmCPS</i>)
<i>SmCPS</i> RTR	CCTCGAGTTGATTCTGCACG	
<i>SmKSL</i> RTF	AGAGGGCTCATGTGCAACAA	qRT-PCR (<i>SmKSL</i>)
<i>SmKSL</i> RTR	TTCTGCAGCCAATTGACACC	
<i>SmPAL</i> RTF	ACCTACCTCGTCGCCCTATGC	qRT-PCR (<i>SmPAL</i>)
<i>SmPAL</i> RTR	CCACGCGGATCAAGTCCTTCT	
<i>SmC4H</i> RTF	CCAGGAGTCCAAATAACAGAGCC	qRT-PCR (<i>SmC4H</i>)
<i>SmC4H</i> RTR	GAGCCACCAAGCGTTCACCAA	
<i>Sm4CL</i> RTF	ATTCGCATTTCGATTTCTCGG	qRT-PCR (<i>Sm4CL</i>)
<i>Sm4CL</i> RTR	GCGGCGTAGTGCTTACCTTT	
<i>SmTAT</i> RTF	TTCAACGGCTACGCTCCAAC	qRT-PCR (<i>SmTAT</i>)
<i>SmTAT</i> RTR	AAACGGACAATGCTATCTCAAT	
<i>SmHPPR</i> RTF	GACTCCAGAAACAACCCACATT	qRT-PCR (<i>SmHPPR</i>)
<i>SmHPPR</i> RTR	CCCAGACGACCCTCCACAAGA	
<i>SmHCT6</i> RTF	CCCTCCATTTTCATCAGCACG	qRT-PCR (<i>SmRAS6</i>)

<i>SmHCT6</i> RTR	GATTTGTCGGTGTTGGGGAG	
<i>SmCYP98A14</i> RTF	CCATCATCGCCCTTCTTTGG	qRT-PCR (<i>SmCYP</i>)
<i>SmCYP98A14</i> RTR	TGTCCACTTCCGTCATCACA	
<i>Smactin F</i>	ATGATAACTCGACGGATCGC	qRT-PCR
<i>Smactin R</i>	CTTGATGTGGTAGCCGTTT	(Housekeeping gene)

Supplementary Table S4. Primers used in the identification of transgenic hairy roots.

Primer name	Sequence (5'→3')	Note
JDPDKF	ACAGTGGTCCCAAAGATGGA	Identification of vector
JDPDKR	GGCGGTAAGGATCTGAGCTA	pCambia1300-pHANNBIAL
HptF	CGATTTGTGTACGCCCGACAGTC	Identification of hairy roots
HptR	CGATGTAGGAGGGCGTGGATATG	
rolBF	GCTCTTGCAGTGCTAGATTT	Identification of hairy roots
rolBR	GAAGGTGCAAGCTACCTCTC	
rolCF	CTCCTGACATCAAACCTCGTC	Identification of hairy roots
rolCR	TGCTTCGAGTTATGGGTACA	
