Supplementary Information for

Genome-Wide Association Study Dissecting the Genetic Architecture Underlying the Branch Angle Trait in Rapeseed (*Brassica napus* L.)

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Supplementary Figure S1. Overall genome-wide decay of linkage disequilibrium (LD), shown as smoothed r² for all

marker pairs on A, C subgenome and whole genome depending on the distance between marker pairs.



Supplementary Figure S2. Favourable allele number of large and small branch angle lines.



Supplementary Figure S3. Gene Ontology (GO) enrichment diagram of genes locating within the linkage

disequilibrium (LD) decay ranges of significant loci.

Environment	2012/2013 Changsha	2012/2013 Nanjing	2013/2014 Changsha
2012/2013 Nanjing	0.58***		
2013/2014 Changsha	0.59***	0.54***	
2013/2014 Wuhan	0.68***	0.58***	0.63***

Supplementary Table S1. Correlations analysis of branch angle in four environments. $*p \le$

0.05; ** $p \le 0.01$; *** $p \le 0.001$.

Source	DF	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)	
Line	519	294304	567	32.341	<2e-16	***
Loc	2	1647	824	46.968	<2e-16	* * *
Year	1	13117	13117	748.091	<2e-16	* * *
Line:Loc	1033	78106	76	4.312	<2e-16	* * *
Line:Year	517	30312	59	3.344	<2e-16	* * *
Residuals	14072	246732	18			

Supplementary Table S2. ANOVA analysis of branch angle in four environments. $*p \le 0.05$;

** $p \le 0.01$; *** $p \le 0.001$.

Trait	BA	PH	BN	MIPN	PL	SNPP
PH	0.24***					
BN	0.1***	0.25***				
MIPN	0.08**	0.32***	0.08*			
PL	0.11***	0.38***	0.09**	0.09**		
SNPP	0.13***	0.32***	0.02	0.06*	0.57***	
SW	0.11***	0.18***	-0.09**	0.2***	0.31***	0.03

Supplementary Table S3. Correlations between branch angle and other traits in the 2013/2014 Changsha samples. BA: branch angle; PH: plant height; BN: branch number; MIPN: main inflorescence pod number; PL: pod length; SNPP: seed number per pod; Seed yield were not investigated. The significance level: $*p \le 0.05$; $**p \le 0.01$; $***p \le 0.001$.

Subgenome	Chromosome	No. of SNPs —	LD decay (Kb)		
			r ² =0.1	r ² =0.2	
A subgenome	A1	729	827	303	
	A2	552	824	285	
	A3	1041	729	225	
	A4	762	827	278	
	A5	761	873	356	
	A6	747	796	236	
	A7	939	708	254	
	A8	504	4940	1254	
	A9	748	2155	873	
	A10	825	4264	764	
	A1-A10	7608	1046	439	
C subgenome	C1	1726	8278	7768	
	C2	1611	8704	4493	
	C3	1901	1039	507	
	C4	2252	5845	4866	
	C5	558	1282	732	
	C6	837	1218	658	
	C7	1110	6496	908	
	C8	999	6944	6342	
	C9	565	2968	1085	
	C1-C9	11559	8278	7768	
Whole genome	A1-C9	19167	6660	4311	

Supplementary Table S4. Linkage disequilibrium (LD) decay on A and C subgenome chromosomes in

the 520 rapeseed accessions.