SUPPORTING INFORMATION - FIGURES

Factorial Combinations of Protein Interactions Generate a Multiplicity of Florigen

Activation Complexes in Wheat and Barley

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Figure S1. Neighbor-Joining tree of wheat, barley, rice and Arabidopsis 14-3-3 proteins. Bootstrap values indicated in the nodes are based on 1000 iterations. The scale bar represents the number of amino acid substitution per site (At= *Arabidopsis thaliana*, Ta= *Triticum aestivum*, Tu= *T. urartu*, Hv= *Hordeum vulgare*, Os= *Oryza sativa*).



Figure S2. Interactions between full-length TaFDL2 and 14-3-3 proteins. SD-L-W was used to select for yeast transformants and SD-L-W-H-A was used to test interactions. Dilution factors from left to right are 1, 1:10, and 1:100.

TaFDL-A2 CS 1A
TaFDL-B2 CS 1B
HvFDL-H2 Mx 1H
Os05g0489700
TaFDL-B4 CS 3B
HvFDL-H4 Mx 3H
Os01g0813100
TaFDL-A6 CS 5A
TaFDL-B6 CS 5B
HvFDL-H6 Mx 5H
TaFDL-A5 CS 4A
TaFDL B5 CS 4B
OsJ 10665
HvFDL-H5 Mx 4H
TaFDL-A15 CS 2A
TaFDL-B15 CS 2B
HvFDL-H15 Mx 2H
OsFD3
OsFD4
OsFD2
AtFDP
AtFD
CDPK-target



TaFDL-B2 CS 1B HvFDL-H2 Mx 1H Os05q0489700 TaFDL-B4 CS 3B HvFDL-H4 Mx 3H Os01q0813100 TaFDL-A6_CS_5A TaFDL-B6 CS 5B HvFDL-H6 Mx 5H TaFDL-A5 CS 4A TaFDL B5 CS 4B OsJ 10665 HvFDL-H5 Mx 4H TaFDL-A15 CS 2A TaFDL-B15 CS 2B HvFDL-H15 Mx 2H OsFD3 OsFD4 OsFD2 AtFDP

TaFDL-A2 CS 1A



AtFD

BZIP



Figure S3. Phylogenetic analysis of FDL proteins. (a) Alignment of conserved regions of FDL proteins from barley, wheat and rice and their comparison with Arabidopsis FD and FDP. The conserved bZIP and CDPK target sites are indicated below the sequences. The * indicates the potential serine/threonine phosphorylation site. (b) Neighbor joining phylogenetic tree based on the conserved FDL protein regions shown in A. Numbers in the nodes are bootstrap values based on 1000 iterations. The scale bar represents the number of amino acid substitution per site. This phylogenetic analysis shows that wheat and barley FDL2 and FDL4 are more closely related to each other, and that FDL15 is distantly related to the other FDL proteins. *FDL15* also differs from the other wheat and barley *FDL* genes in its gene structure. Whereas all the *FDL* genes described in this study have three exons, *FDL15* shows a fusion of exons1 and 2 (Appendix S1).





Fig. S4 (c)



Figure S4. Dimerization of 14-3-3 proteins by yeast two-hybrid and BiFC in rice protoplasts. (a)Yeast two-hybrid assays. (b) Heterodimer formation by BiFC. (c) BiFC negative controls.



Figure S5. Yeast two-hybrid interactions among FT1, FDL2 and yeast 14-3-3 (Sc14-3-3). SD-L-W was used to select for yeast transformants and SD-L-W-H-A was used to test interactions. Dilution factors from left to right are 1, 1:10, and 1:100.



Figure S6. Transcript levels of *FDL* and *14-3-3* genes in different tissues and developmental stages. (a, c, and e) *FDL* genes. (b, d, and f) *14-3-3* genes. (a-d) qRT-PCR. The y axis is expressed in fold-*ACTIN** levels calculated by the ΔC_T method. Error bars indicate SE of the means based on six biological replicates for leaves and three replicates for SAM. SD = 8 weeks under SD, LD = 6 weeks under SD followed by 2 weeks under LD. WT= *T. monococcum* line DV92 (*vrn1*), and *Vrn1g* = *T. monococcum* line PI 349049 (Dubcovsky *et al.*2006). Accessions carrying the *Vrn1g* allele express *VRN1* under SD and show faster development than WT lines carrying the *vrn1* allele. Representative pictures of the SAM stages in (c) and (d) are included in panel (c) above the respective bar graphs: SD-WT= vegetative stage, LD-WT= initial differentiation, SD-*Vrn1g*= early spike development before terminal spike; LD-*Vrn1g*= terminal spikelet stage. (e-f) Data from published RNA-seq datasets (Choulet *et al.*, 2014). Z codes = Zadoks' scale (Zadoks *et al.* 1974). FPKM = Fragments Per Kilobase of transcript per Million mapped reads.

* Note: The apparent lower transcript levels in the leaves of the plants grown under LD relative to those grown under SD in figure (a) is a technical artifact caused by higher *ACTIN* levels in LD than in SD (1.8 fold, confirmed by RNAseq). This difference does not affect comparisons among genes.



Figure S7. An interaction map summarizing the identified interactions among FT-like, FD-like and 14-3-3 proteins by yeast two-hybrid assays. Cytoscape (Shannon *et al.*, 2003) was used to create the interaction map

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