

Supplemental Information for

***ATHB17* enhances stress tolerance by coordinating photosynthesis associated nuclear gene and *ATSIG5* expression in response to abiotic stress**

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Fig. S1. Identification of *ATHB17* OX and KO.

(A) Schematic diagram depicting the T-DNA insertion site in the *ATHB17* KO line..
(B-C) Analysis of *ATHB17* transcript levels in the *ATHB17* overexpression and mutant lines by semi-RT-PCR (B) and qRT-PCR (C). *TUBULIN* (*TUB*) was used as the internal control for semi-RT-PCR analysis. *UBQ5* was used as the internal control for qRT-PCR. Values are the mean \pm SD of three replicates.

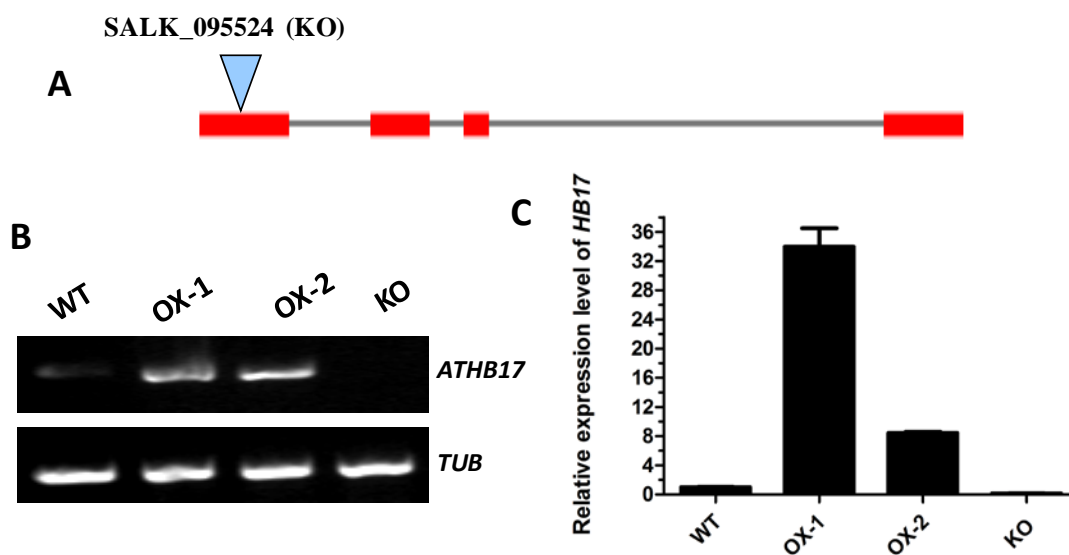


Fig. S2. Salt tolerance assay in soil.

(A-B) Salt tolerance assay of WT and *ATHB17* KO plants. Three-week-old plants were irrigated with 200 mM NaCl solution for 2 weeks (A); the survival ratios were recorded (B). Values are the mean \pm SD of three replicates each containing 7-8 plants per genotype (***P* < 0.001).

(C-D) Salt tolerance assay of WT and *ATHB17*-overexpressing plants. Four-week-old plants were irrigated with 300 mM NaCl solution for 2 weeks (A), and the survival ratios were recorded (B). Values are the mean \pm SD of three replicates each containing 6 plants per genotype (***P* < 0.01).

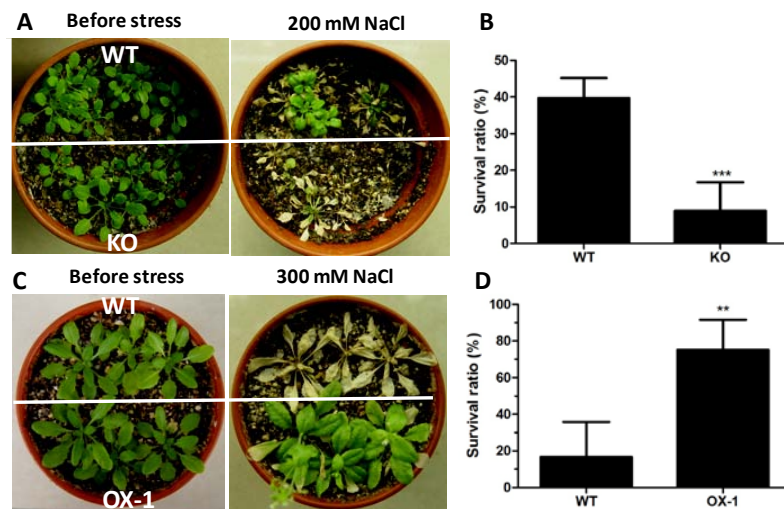


Fig. S3. Functional complementation assay.

Seeds of WT, *ATHB17* KO and the complementation line (FC) germinated and grown vertically on MS medium or MS medium supplemented with 140 mM NaCl. FC lines were obtained by overexpression of *ATHB17* using 35S::*ATHB17* construct in *ATHB17* KO background.

(A) Salt tolerance of WT, *ATHB17* KO and the complementation line (FC).

(B) Relative expression of *ATHB17* in WT, *ATHB17* KO and the complementation line quantified by qRT-PCR. Values are the mean \pm SD of three replicates

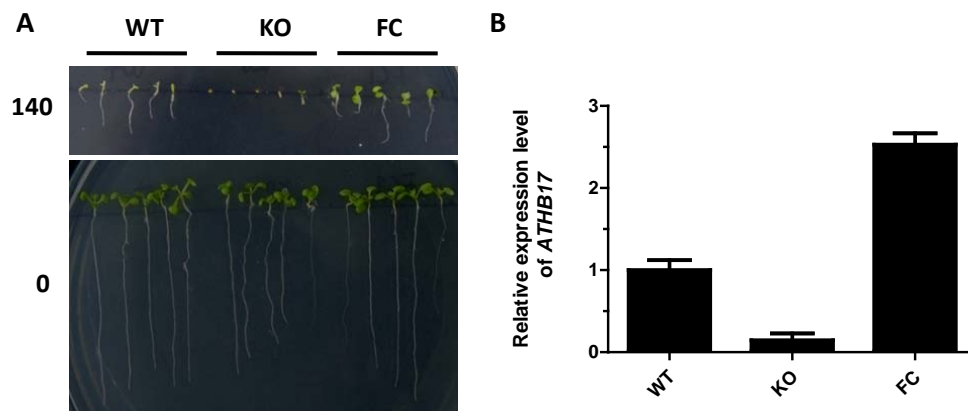


Fig. S4. Overexpression of *ATHB17* improved salt tolerance of tobacco plants.

(A) *ATHB17* expression level in the transgenic tobacco plants by semi-RT-PCR analysis. *NtACTIN1* was used as the internal standard control.

(B-C) Salt tolerance assay of the *ATHB17*-expressing tobacco plants. Seeds of WT and *ATHB17*-overexpressing tobacco lines were germinated and grown on MS medium or MS medium containing NaCl for 14 days (B) before primary root length was measured (C). Values are the mean \pm SD (n = 30, **P < 0.01, ***P < 0.001).

(D) WT and *ATHB17*-overexpressing tobacco plants cultured by hydroponic growth method. Twenty-day-old seedlings were transferred to hydroponic culture with MS hydroponic solution (control) or MS hydroponic solution containing 100 mM NaCl for 20 days.

(E) Fresh weight of the hydroponic culture tobacco plants. Values are the mean \pm SD (n = 8, *P < 0.05, **P < 0.01).

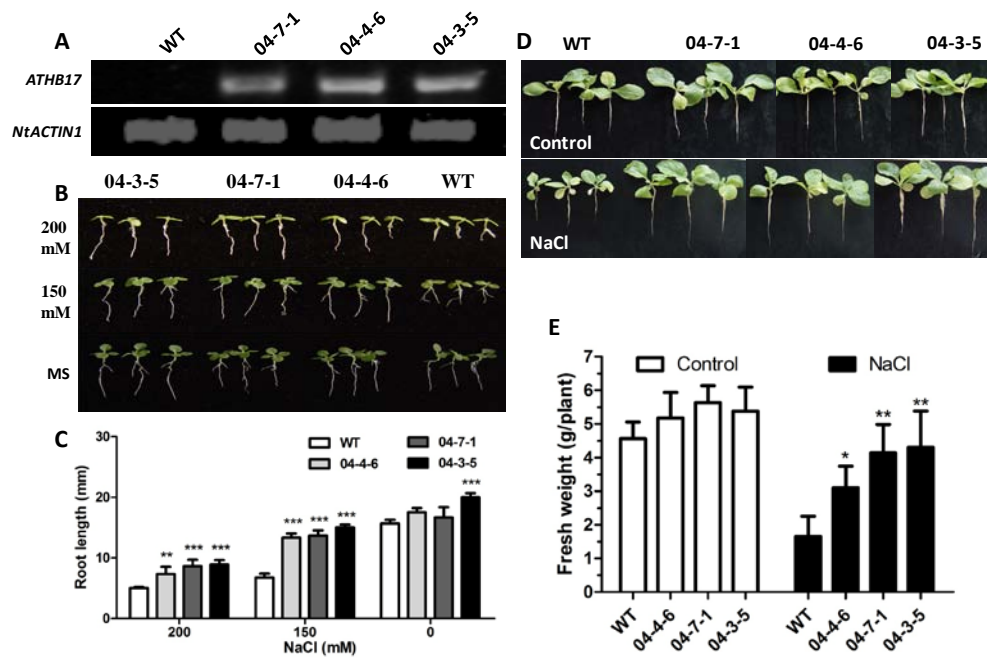


Fig. S5. Oxidative and drought stress tolerance assay of *ATHB17*-overexpressing and knockout plants.

(A-B) Oxidative stress tolerance assay. Seeds were germinated and grown on MS medium or MS medium containing 2 μ M paraquat for 7 days (A). The ratio of plants showing green cotyledons on MS or paraquat medium is shown (B). Values are the mean \pm SD of three replicates each containing 36 plants per genotype (*P < 0.05, **P < 0.01).

(C-D) Drought tolerance assay. Three-week-old plants grown in the same condition were used for drought tolerance assay. Plants were not watered for 13 days, and then re-watered (C); after 1 day recovery, the survival ratios were recorded (D). Values are the mean \pm SD of three replicates each containing 15 plants per genotype (*P < 0.05).

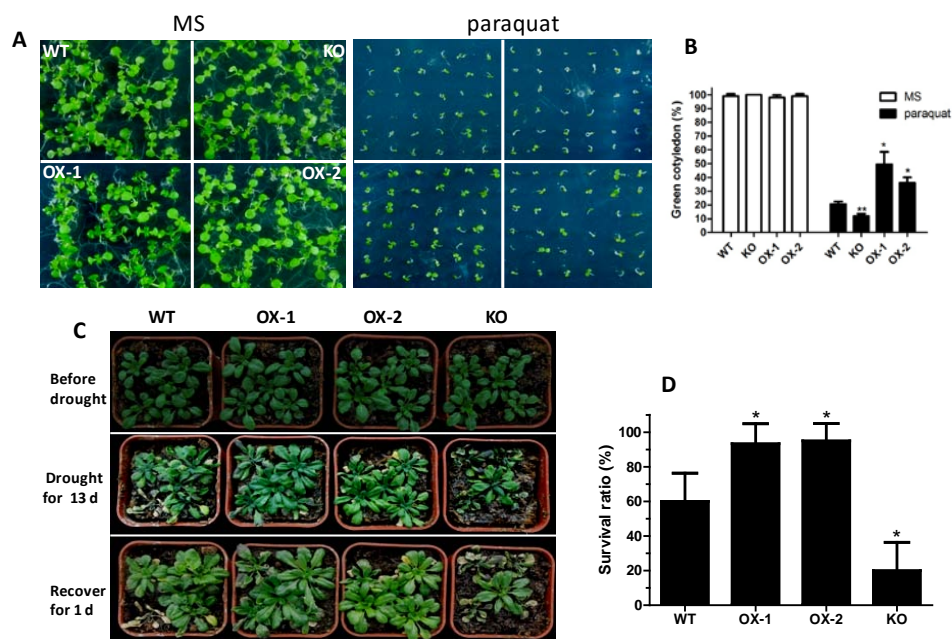


Fig. S6. ATHB17 binding to the HD-binding *cis*-elements.

(A) HB17 Δ 107 protein in yeast has no self-activation activity. The empty pAD and pHis2 were used as negative control. (B) Y1H assay in yeast strain Y187. The two vectors AD-HB17 Δ 107 and BD/3 \times HD-binding *cis*-element were transformed into Y187. Empty pAD and pHis2 were used as negative control. Serial yeast dilutions (1:1, 1:10, 1:100 and 1:1,000) were grown on different SD medium for 5 days. (C) Identification of 17 ATHB17 binding *cis*-elements by EMSA. (D) Validation of the binding activity of ATHB17 to the HD-binding *cis*-element ttttaattt by EMSA. For the competition test, non-labeled probe and non-specific probes were added into the binding reaction.

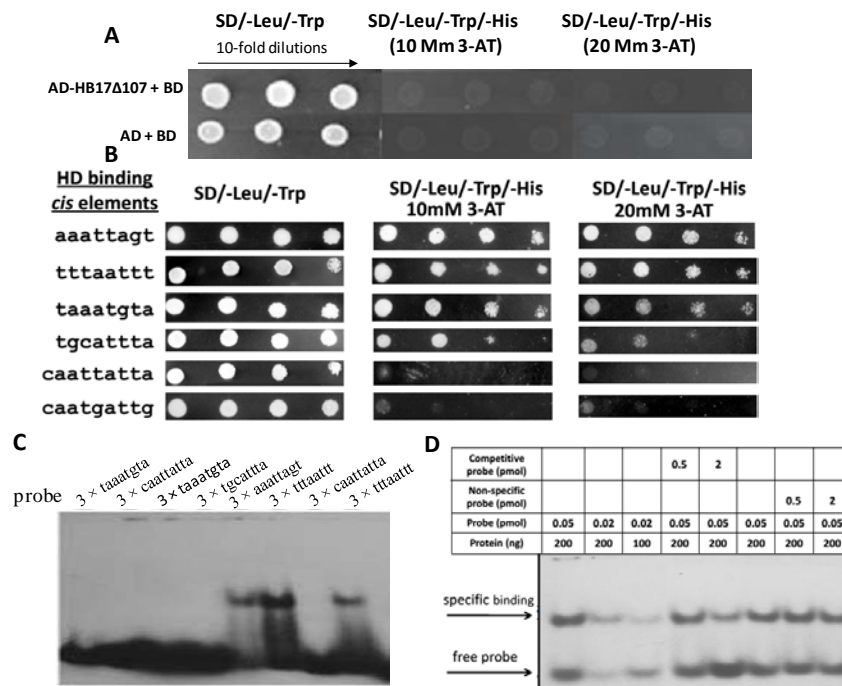
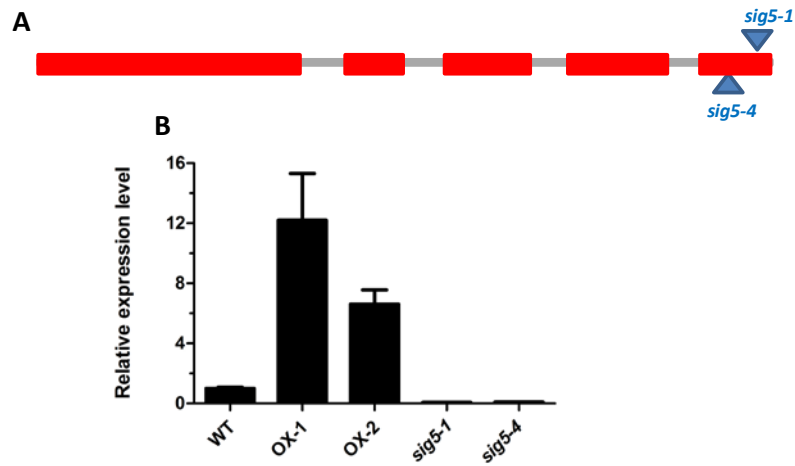


Fig. S7. Identification of *ATSIG5*-overexpressing lines and knockout lines.

(A) Schematic diagram depicting the T-DNA insertion site in the *ATSIG5* knockout lines. (B) Analysis of *ATSIG5* transcript levels in the *ATSIG5* overexpression and knockout lines by qRT-PCR. *UBQ5* was used as the internal control. Values are the mean \pm SD of three replicates.



Supplementary Table 1. Primer sequences used in this study.

Primer Name	Sequence (5'-3')
SALK_095524-LP	CGGGATTAAGGGTATGATTCTG
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SALK_101921-LP	CCATTCTCTAGTGTACGCCAC
SALK_101921-RP	GTTTGAGATGGGAAGACCTCC
LBb1.3	ATTTTGCCGATTCGGAAC
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p <i>ATHB17</i> -LP	CTCATTGACACTGCTTGTGCCT
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COR47 qRT-PCR RP	CATCGCTCGAAGAGGAAGAAGA
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RD22 qRT-PCR RP	GTGGCAGTAGAACACCGCGAA
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NtACTIN1 RT-PCR LP	ATGGCAGACGGTGAGGATATTCA
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DNA fragments used for Y1H	
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LHCA2 HD-binding cis c LP	CgatgatcaaattaaagcatattagA
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