## **Additional file 5**

**Figure S1. Different accessions express either rDNA-2 or rDNA-4, or both.** The mean proportion of RNA-seq reads expressing a particular reporter variant (y-axis) against the proportion of DNA-seq reads accounting for the existence of the same variant (x-axis) for five natural inbred lines: Edi-0 (7111), Ws-0 (7396), Wu-0 (7415), Can-0 (7063), Hi-0 (8304), Ler-0 (7213) and Zu-0 (7417). Error bars represent standard deviations of 3 biological replicates. Notice that no variants Can-0 rDNA-4-specific passed the threshold (present in > 5% of copies within an individual) presumably due to the small size of that rDNA cluster. The dashed line indicates the one-to-one ratio between DNA and RNA.

**Figure S2. The pattern of rRNA expression is consistent across replicate lines.** (**A**) The proportion of RNA-seq reads expressing a particular reporter variant (y-axis) against the proportion of DNA-seq reads accounting for the existence of the same variant (x-axis) for MAGIC lines 18, 303 and 319. These MAGIC lines inherited the same genotypes at both rDNA loci after undergoing independent pedigrees. (**B**) Similar to (A), but for a different combination of genotypes at rDNA loci in MAGIC lines 81 and 117. (**C**) Similar to (A), but for MAGIC lines 67 and 188 that inherited both rDNA clusters from founder accession Col-0. (**D**) Similar to (C), but for MAGIC lines 96 and 120 that inherited both rDNA clusters from founder accession No-0. For all subfigures, error bars represent standard deviations of 2 biological replicates, and the dashed line indicates the one-to-one ratio between DNA and RNA.

**Figure S3. Expression of Bur-0 rDNA-4 when used as a mother in an F**<sub>1</sub> **cross.** (**A**) The mean proportion of RNAseq reads expressing a particular reporter variant (y-axis) against the proportion of DNA-seq reads accounting for the existence of the same variant (x-axis) for F<sub>1</sub>:  $\bigcirc$  Col-0 x  $\bigcirc$  Sf-2. (**B**) Similar to (A), but for F<sub>1</sub>:  $\bigcirc$  Bur-0 x  $\bigcirc$  Col-0. Contrary to the reciprocal cross  $\bigcirc$  Col-0 x  $\bigcirc$  Bur-0, we detected expression of Bur-0 rDNA-4. This discrepancy suggests that the onset of nucleolar dominance may be impacted by a maternal control.

**Figure S4. Cvi-0 expresses rDNA-4.** The mean proportion of RNA-seq reads expressing a particular reporter variant (y-axis) against the proportion of DNA-seq reads accounting for the existence of the same variant (x-axis) for accession Cvi-0 (6911). Error bars represent standard deviations of five biological replicates. The dashed line indicates the one-to-one ratio between DNA and RNA. For both subfigures, error bars represent standard deviations of 4 biological replicates. The dashed line indicates the one-to-one ratio between DNA and RNA.

**Figure S5. Col-0 rDNA-2 is not reactivated in mutants of the RdDM pathway.** RT-PCR analysis of rRNA gene 3' variants — VAR1-4, first described by Pontvianne *et al.* (2010) — in WT Col-0 (lanes 2-4), *dcl2/3/4* triple (lanes 5-7) and *nrpd1a-3* single (lanes 8-10) mutant plants. Recently, Chandrasekhara *et al.*, (2016) mapped VAR1 to rDNA-2 in Col-0. Amplification of *Actin-2* mRNA (*ACT2*) was used as a control of total amount of RNA in each sample. Genomic DNA for all assays was loaded in lane 1. RT-PCR without the reverse transcriptase gave no PCR product (-RT panels).









Proportion of DNA-seq reads supporting a particular variant

Figure S3



## Figure S4



## Figure S5

