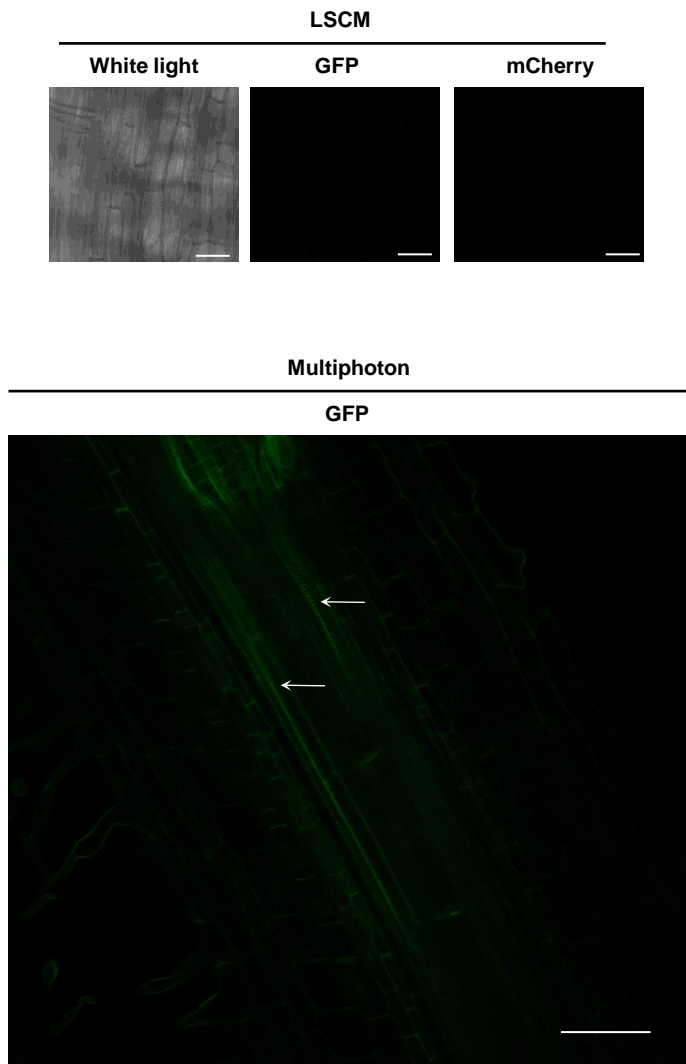


Supplementary Figure S1. Subcellular localisation of rice proteins in Arabidopsis root cells.

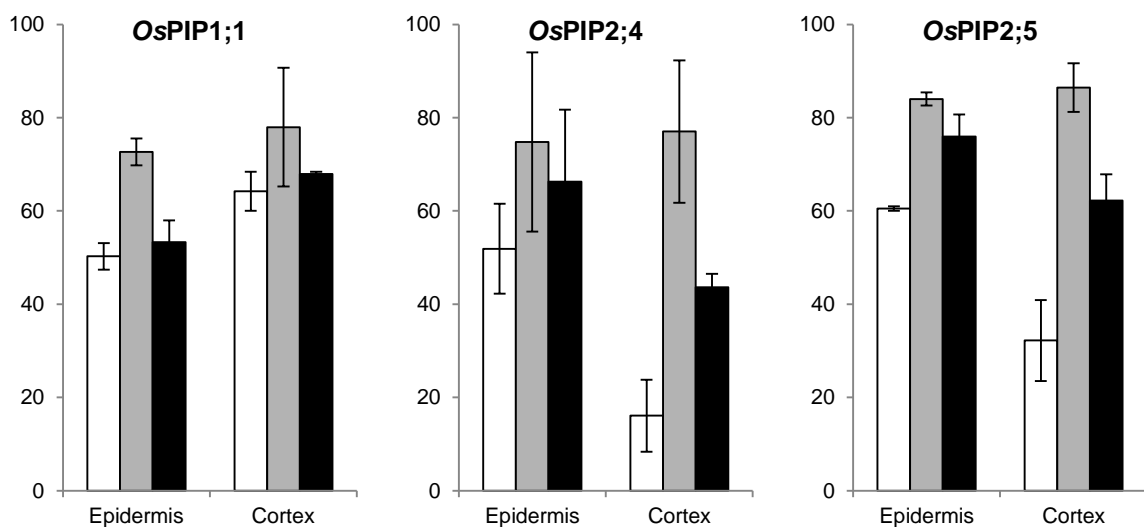
Fresh roots in half-strength MS medium were observed by laser scanning confocal microscopy (LSCM). In Arabidopsis, *OsPIPs* localized in the PM but *OsTIPs* and *OsSCAMP1* were slightly retained in endoplasmic reticulum, other markers distributed as expected in cytoplasm. Scale bar = 20 μm .



Supplementary Figure S2. Autofluorescence background in rice primary root cells.

(Upper) Fresh root of non-transgenic rice was observed by LSCM using either white light, GFP, or mCherry channel. (Lower) Root system of non-transgenic rice was subjected to ClearSee technique and observed by means of multiphoton excitation microscopy; weak autofluorescence background was detected, especially in xylem vessels (arrows). Scale bar = 25 μ m.

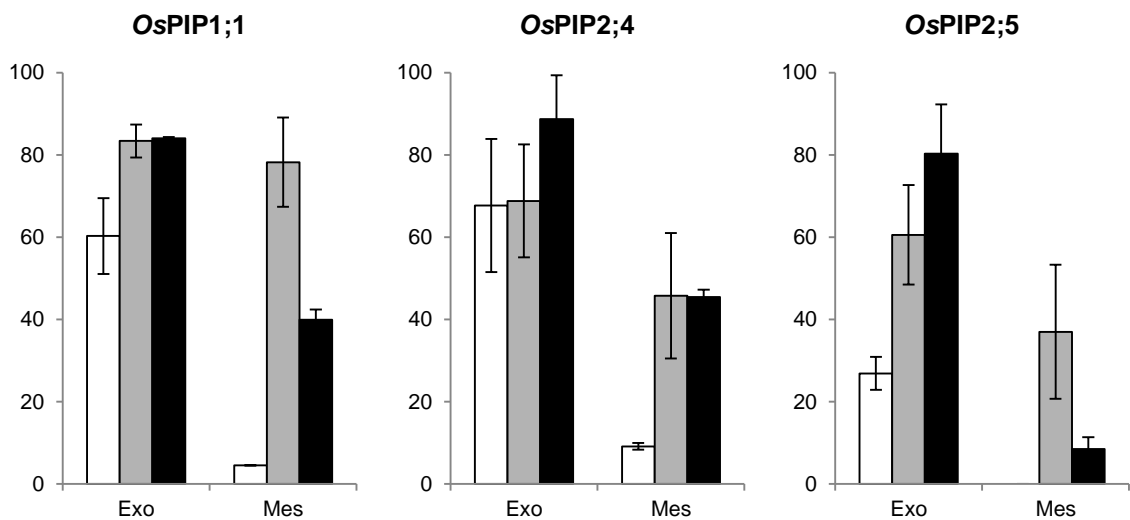
Percentage of root cells with intracellular labelling



Supplementary Figure S3. Re-localization of rice aquaporins in *Arabidopsis* root under salt and osmotic stresses

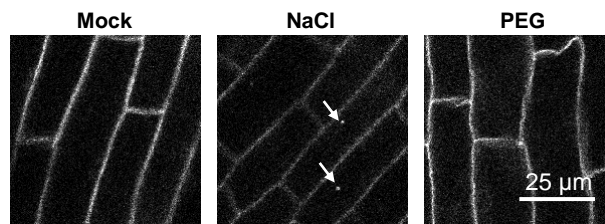
Charts show the percentage of root cells displaying intracellular labelling in either epidermis or cortex. Open, grey and closed bars correspond to mock (half-strength MS liquid medium), 100 mM NaCl and 20% (w/v) PEG6000, respectively. Experiments were done 2 times for each construct, ~10 plants were observed for each experiment, ~6 cells were analysed for each plant. The mean values and SEMs are indicated.

Percentage of root cells with intracellular labelling

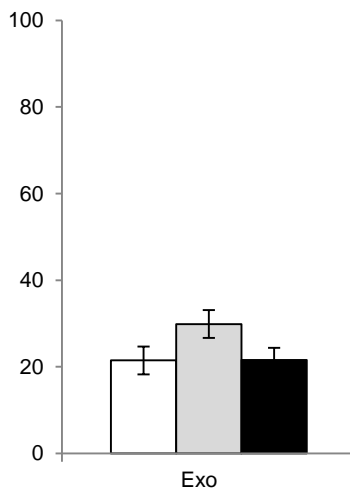


Supplementary Figure S4. Re-localization of plasma membrane aquaporins in rice primary root under salt and osmotic stresses

Charts show the percentage of root cells displaying intracellular labelling in either exodermis (Exo) or mesodermis (Mes). Open, grey and closed bars correspond to mock (half-strength MS liquid medium), 100 mM NaCl and 20% (w/v) PEG6000, respectively. *OsPIP*-GFP constructs were observed in primary roots. Experiments were done 2 times for each construct, 4-6 plants were observed for each experiment, ~10 cells were analysed for each plant. The mean values and SEMs are indicated.



Percentage of root cells with intracellular labelling



Supplementary Figure S5. Subcellular localization of plasma-membrane protein-marker LTI6a-CFP in rice root under salt and osmotic stresses

LTI6a-CFP construct was observed in crown roots. **(Upper)** Typical subcellular localization of LTI6a-CFP in exodermis observed by LSCM with intracellular labelling (pointed by arrows). **(Lower)** Charts show the percentage of root cells displaying intracellular labelling. Open, grey and closed bars correspond to mock (half-strength MS liquid medium), 100 mM NaCl and 20% (w/v) PEG6000, respectively. Experiments were done 2 times for each construct, 4-6 plants were observed for each experiment, ~10 cells were analysed for each plant. The mean values and SEMs are indicated.