

Table S1. Relating mRNA stability to gene function using a Gene Ontology (GO) analysis in the WT line (the 200 least stable genes)

GO term	P value	FDR
Biological process		
chitin-based cuticle development	2.34E-12	1.74E-08
cuticle development	6.25E-10	2.32E-06
cellular macromolecule metabolic process	3.85E-07	9.51E-04
Molecular function		
structural constituent of chitin-based larval cuticle	1.97E-13	5.20E-10
structural constituent of chitin-based cuticle	7.02E-13	9.25E-10
structural constituent of cuticle	1.55E-12	1.36E-09
structural molecule activity	2.11E-05	1.39E-02
Cellular component		
extracellular matrix	6.61E-11	8.36E-08
extracellular region part	2.39E-05	4.31E-03
extracellular region	8.56E-07	3.61E-04
membrane-bound organelle	1.30E-04	1.83E-02
organelle	8.58E-05	1.36E-02
intracellular organelle part	3.29E-06	8.33E-04
intracellular part	4.17E-04	4.79E-02
intracellular organelle	1.56E-04	1.98E-02
organelle part	1.63E-05	3.45E-03
protein complex	2.00E-06	6.33E-04
macromolecular complex	8.50E-09	5.37E-06

Significant GO terms and relevant P values and FDR (False Discovery rate)are shown. FDR cutoff = 0.05.