

Fig. S1. Downregulation of ACS genes in hybrids of various *Arabidopsis* ecotypes. Relative expression levels (R.E.L.) of ACS genes at ZT0 in hybrids of various *Arabidopsis* ecotypes (C24, Ler, Ws, Est, and Col). Asterisks indicate down-regulation in the hybrids at statistical significance levels of $P < 0.05$, compared with MPV.

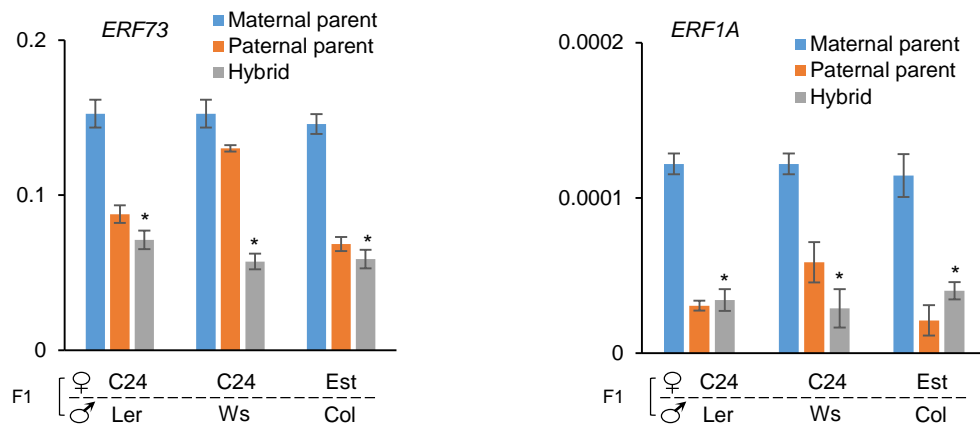


Fig. S2. Downregulation of *ERF73* and *ERF1A* in hybrids of various *Arabidopsis* ecotypes. Relative expression levels (R.E.L.) of ACS genes at ZT0 in hybrids of various *Arabidopsis* ecotypes (C24, Ler, Ws, Est, and Col). Asterisks indicate down-regulation in the hybrids at statistical significance levels of $P < 0.05$, compared with MPV.

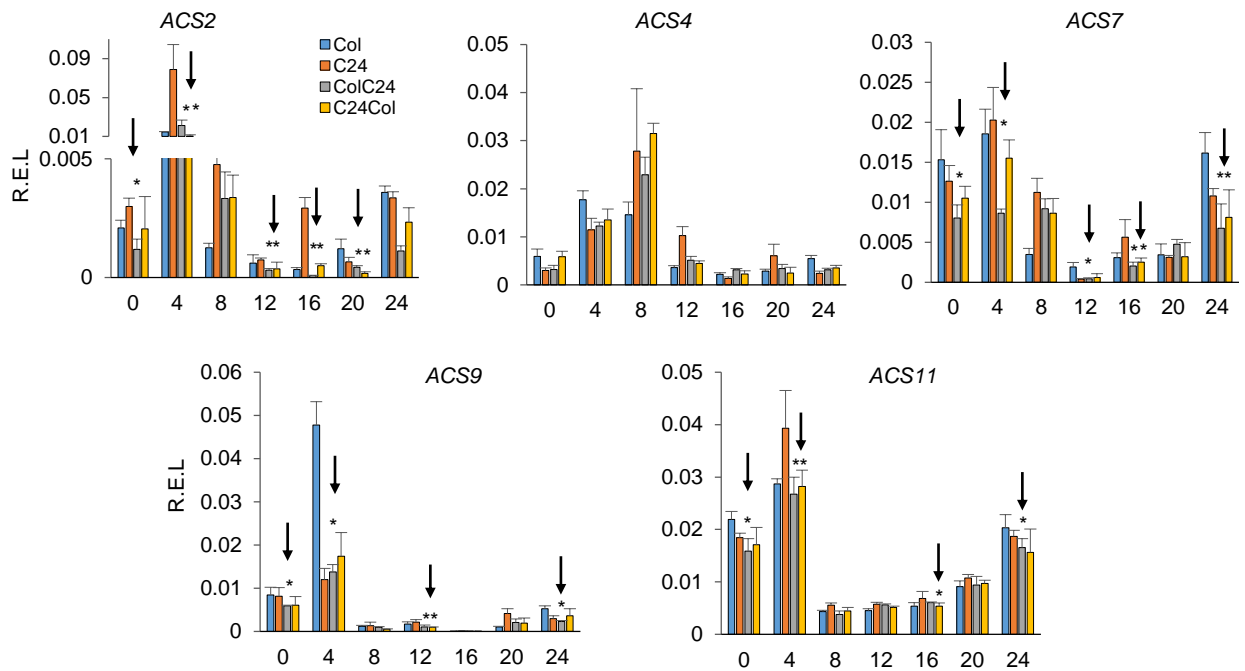


Fig. S3. Downregulation of ACS genes at different time points in hybrid. Relative expression levels (R.E.L.) of ACS genes every 4h in a 24h period (ZT0 = dawn) in the reciprocal F1 hybrids (ColXC24 and C24XCol) and the parents (Col and C24). Asterisks indicate down-regulation (arrows) in the hybrids at statistical significance levels of $P < 0.05$, compared with MPV.

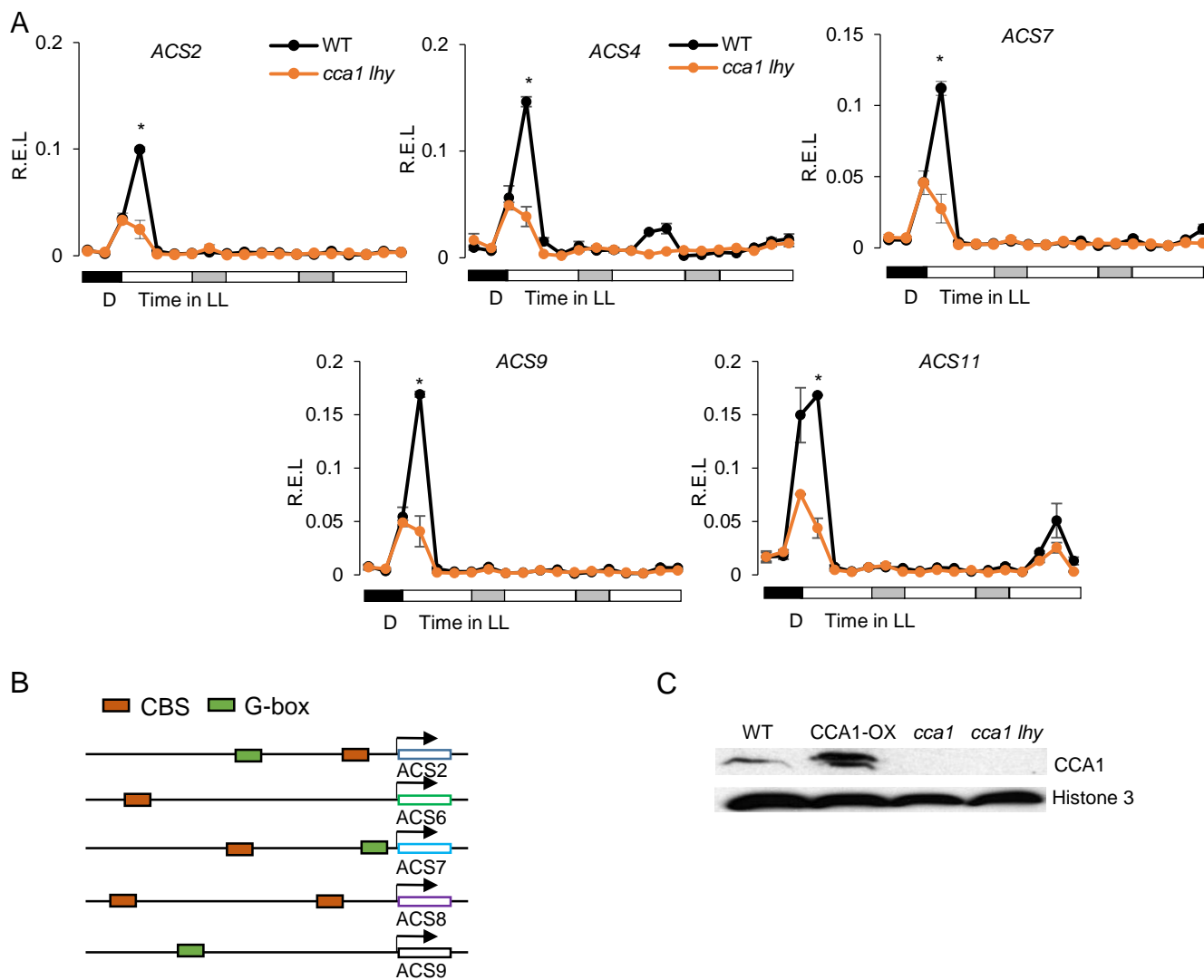


Fig. S4. Indirect roles of CCA1 on expression regulation of ACS genes. (A) Relative expression levels of ACS2, ACS4, ACS7, ACS9 and ACS11 in WT (Ws) and *cca1 lhy* mutant every 4h under a diurnal cycle (24h) followed by constant light (LL) (48h) conditions. Black, white, and grey boxes indicate dark, light, and subjective night, respectively. Asterisks indicate down-regulation in *cca1 lhy* mutant at statistical significance levels of $P < 0.05$, compared with wild type. (B) Distribution of CCA1-binding site (CBS) and G-box (PIF-binding motif) elements in promoters of ACS2, ACS6, ACS7, ACS8 and ACS9. (C) Western blot confirmed specific binding activity of anti-CCA1 antibodies to CCA1 protein.

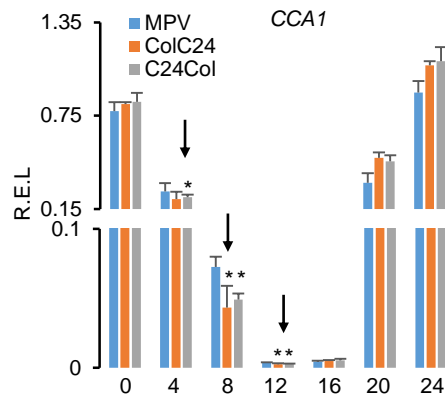


Fig. S5. Relative expression levels (R.E.L.) of *CCA1* every 4h in a 24h period (ZT0 = dawn) in the reciprocal F1 hybrids (ColXC24 and C24XCol) compared with MPV. Asterisks indicate down-regulation (arrows) in the hybrids at statistical significance levels of $P < 0.05$, compared with MPV.

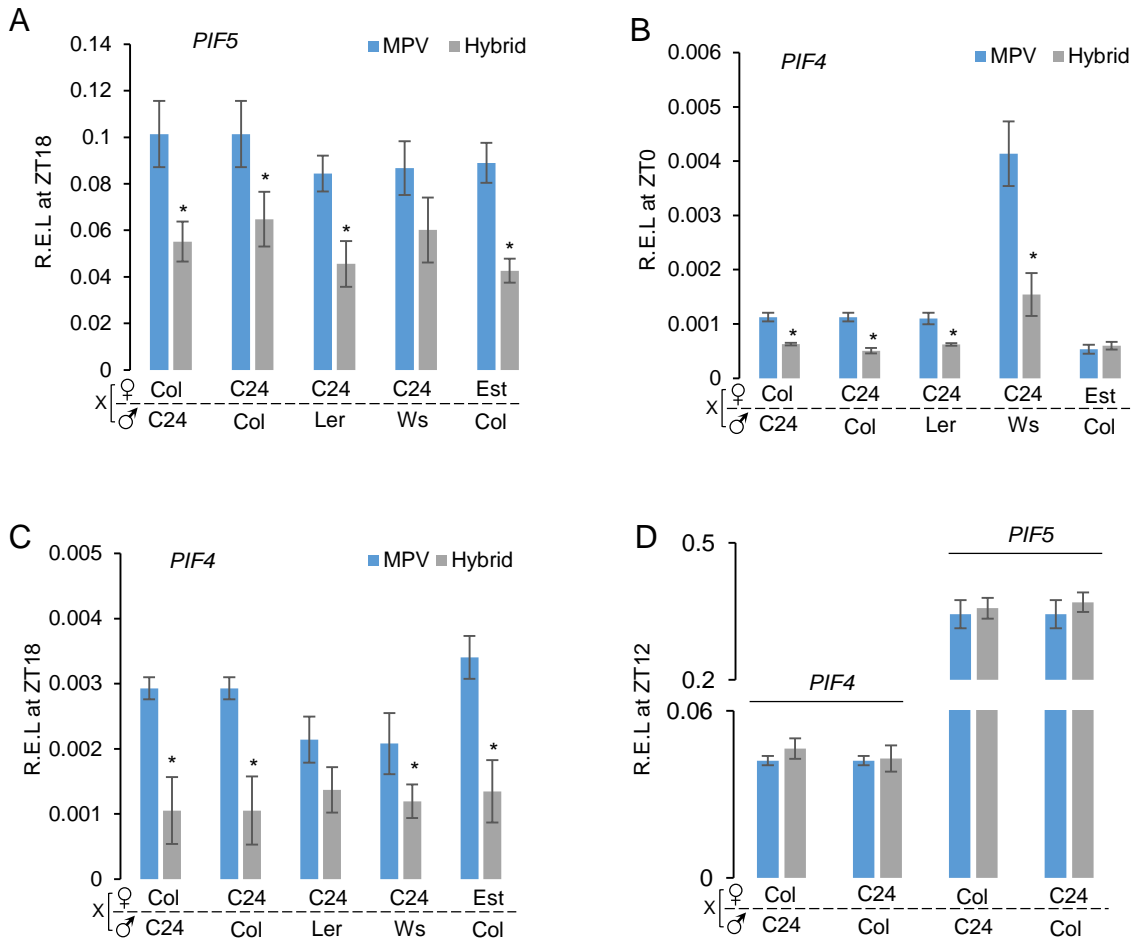


Fig. S6. *PIFs* were repressed in hybrids of various *Arabidopsis* ecotypes. (A) Relative expression levels to the mid-parent level of *PIF5* at ZT18 in hybrids of various *Arabidopsis* ecotypes. Asterisks indicate down-regulation in the hybrids at statistical significance levels of $P < 0.05$, compared with MPV. (B-C) Relative expression levels to the mid-parent level of *PIF4* at ZT0 (B) and ZT18 (C) in hybrids of various *Arabidopsis* ecotypes. Asterisks indicate down-regulation in the hybrids at statistical significance levels of $P < 0.05$, compared with MPV. (D) Relative expression levels to the mid-parent level of *PIF4* and *PIF5* at ZT12 in hybrids of Col-0 and C24.

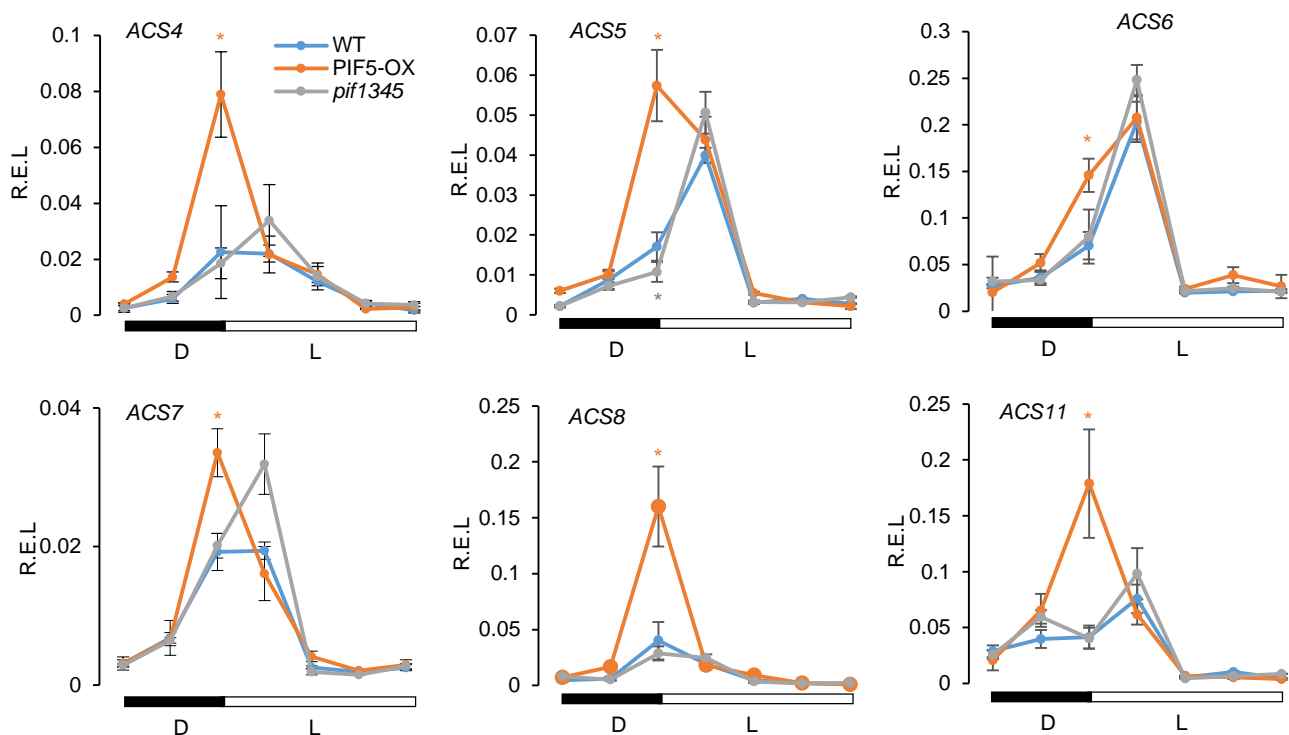


Fig. S7. ACS genes were regulated by *PIFs*. Relative expression levels of ACS4, ACS5, ACS6, ACS7, ACS8 and ACS11 in WT (Col-0), PIF5-OX and *pif1345* mutant in diurnal conditions (dark, D and light, L). Asterisks in orange and grey respectively indicate upregulation in PIF5-OX and downregulation in *pif1345* at statistical significance levels of $P < 0.05$, compared with WT.

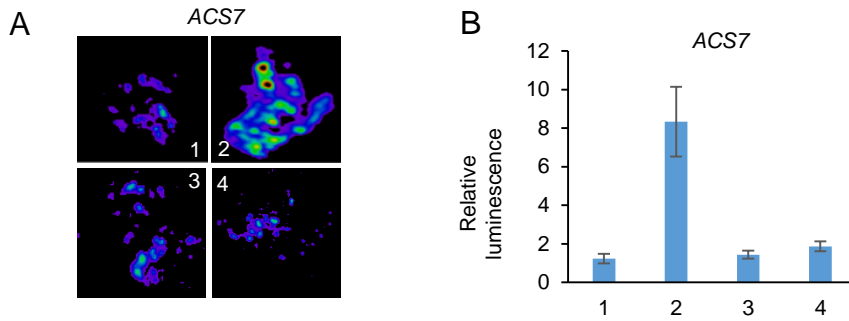


Fig. S8. ACS genes were directly activated by PIF5. (A) Transient expression assays showed that PIF5 directly activated expression of ACS7 as in Fig. 2F. (B) Relative luminescence intensity (Y-axis) for each comparison in (A).

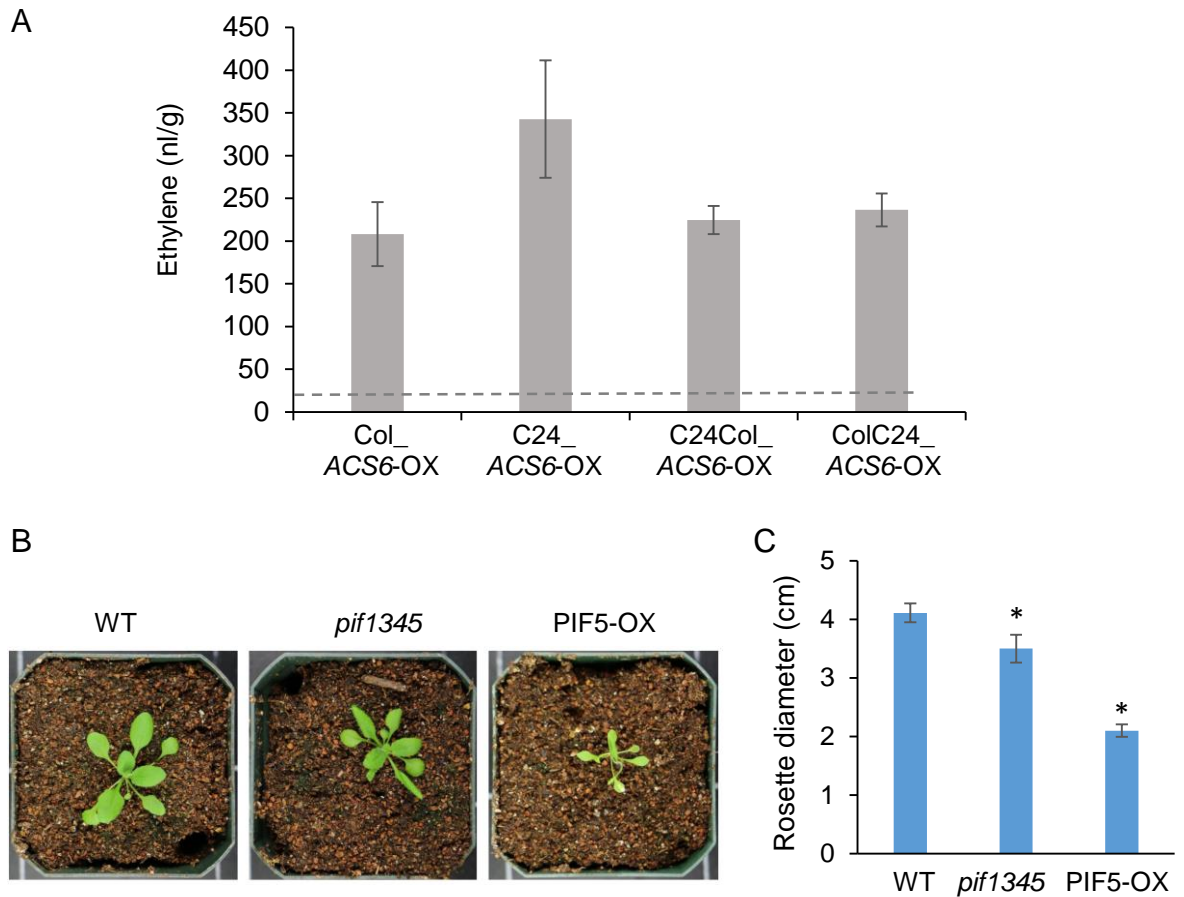


Fig. S9. Ethylene production in ACS6-OX lines and plant growth reduction in *PIF* lines. (A) Ethylene production in the transgenic plants that over-expressed *ACS6^{DDD}* in Col_ACS6-OX, C24_ACS6-OX, F1 hybrid (ColXC24_ACS6-OX), and reciprocal hybrid (C24XCOL_ACS6-OX) lines. A dashed line indicates an average level of ethylene in the wild-type plant. (B) Representative seedling images of the wild type (WT), *pif1345* mutant, and PIF5-OX line at 21 days after sowing. (C) Quantitative analysis of rosette diameter of the plants in (A). Asterisks indicate a statistical significant level ($P < 0.05$) compared with WT.

Table S1 Primers used in this study.

Name	Primer sequence	Usage	
ACS2F	ATTTCGCTGGATGGATTTGAGACA	RT-qPCR	
ACS2R	AACGGAAGGAAGAGCCAGGAGACA		
ACS4F	CCGGGTTGGTTTAGAGTTTGTTC		
ACS4R	TTCGCTTTTACTCTTTTGGCATCT		
ACS5F	TAAATGGAGAACCGGAGCAGAGAT		
ACS5R	CAAGTGGGTTAGATGGATTCGTGA		
ACS6F	CCGATGGCTGCAACAATGATG		
ACS6R	AGGCGAATGAGGCGAGAAGAAGC		
ACS7F	TATGCTGGCTTCTATGTTGTCG		
ACS7R	AATAGCCCTGCGTTCCCTTCA		
ACS8F	TTGCGAATTTGAGCGAAGAGACAT		
ACS8R	AGCCGAAAACCCAATTAGAGACT		
ACS9F	ACATACCTCGACGAAAACAGAAA		
ACS9R	GTCAACCCAACAGAACAAACCA		
ACS11F	CCTGGTTGGTTTAGAGTTTGTTC		
ACS11R	GGAGACCCATTTGTTGATAAGAGA		
ERF1aF	TTTGTGAATTTCCGTTGAGAGT		
ERF1aR	TCGTTAGAAGAAGAAAAGAAGAT		
ERF73F	AATAATCCGGACACGCTTCTG		
ERF73R	CGTTGTTGGCTTCTTCACTATCAT		
PIF4F	TTGGGCGTGGAACTTGGACT		
PIF4R	CTGGGTTTGGGTTTGTCTCTATG		
PIF5F	GTTTCCCGGGGTACAATCATCTCC		
PIF5R	GCTGGTTGTTGTTGCACGGTCTG		
ACS2pF	CTCGAGATCAACTTATTATTTATTGGC		Promoter cloning
ACS2pR	TCTAGATTGCTGTGCAATTCTCACTT		
ACS6pF	CTCGAGAACATCAGTCTGATAAAAAA		
ACS6pR	GGATCCTTTTTGTTTCTTCTTAATA		
ACS7pF	CTCGAGGTACATGAAAAGTGGTAAAAGTAT		
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ACS9pF	CTCGAGCTAATAGTGACAAGTGAACCT		
ACS9pR	GGATCCTTTTTGATATAAAAAATCAAAAAG		
CCA1-CDSF	CTCGAGATGGAGACAAATTCGTCTGGA	CDS cloning	
CCA1-CDSR	TCTAGATCATGTGGAAGCTTGAGTTTC		
PIF5CDSF	TACCGCTCGAGATGGAACAAGTGTGCTGATTG		
PIF5CDSR	CGCGGATCCTCAGCTATTTACCCATATGAA		
UBQ10ChipF	TCCAGGACAAGGAGGTATTCCTCCG	ChIP-qPCR for CCA1	
UBQ10ChipR	CCACCAAAGTTTTACATGAAACGAA		
TOC1EEF	TTTTATGGCCTGCACTTTTTATTG		
TOC1EER	GGTGGACTTGGGATTTTTAGG		
ACS2CBSF	TGCTAGCAAAAACACAACCATCT		
ACS2CBSR	TGAAAAGTAACAAGCGAACCAA		
ACS6CBSF	TTGGTCAAAGTGAAGGCTTCAAAA		
ACS6CBSR	TGATAGTGGCAGACATTGGAC		
ACS7CBSF	TCATACTTAATTAGAGACGAA		
ACS7CBSR	GGCTATCCATTTACACTTTATT		
ACS8CBSF	TACATTAAGACGGTCCAAGAG		
ACS8CBSR	CTAACAAAAACTATATCGGCAACA		
ACS2GF	AGGAGGATTTGAGTTTTTGACATT		ChIP-qPCR for PIF5
ACS2GR	GTTGGTGGGTTTGGACTCTTT		
ACS7GF	GGTCACGTCTGCTATATACTC		
ACS7GR	CTTAGAGCTTCGAACCTGACACGT		
ACS9GF	CAAGGCCATTTATTATGGGCT		
ACS9GR	AACTGAATAACAACAGATTCTA		
PP2AF	CTGGCGTGTGCGTTATATGGTT		
PP2AR	CAACAAACATGGACTTCCAAGTACCA		