**Supplementary information** 

Functional switching of ascorbate peroxidase 2 of rice (OsAPX2) between

peroxidase and molecular chaperone

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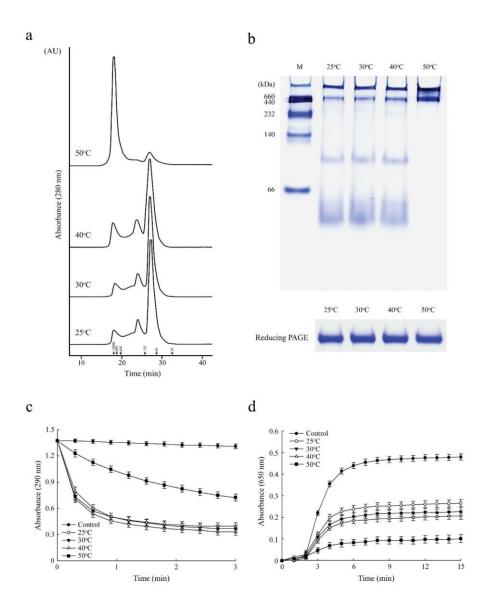
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**Supplementary Figure S1** 

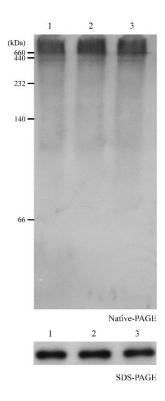
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## **Supplementary Figure S1**

Structural and functional changes of purified OsAPX2 protein in response to heat treatment. Structural analysis of heat-treated OsAPX2 protein using SEC (a) and PAGE (b). The heat-treated OsAPX2 proteins were analysed using 10% native-PAGE (upper panel) or 12% SDS-PAGE (lower panel) (b). The relative APX (c) and molecular chaperone (d) activities of heat-treated OsAPX2 proteins were compared with those of untreated (25°C) ( $\circ$ ) proteins. Purified OsAPX2 protein was incubated for 10 min at 30°C ( $\blacktriangledown$ ), 40°C ( $\Delta$ ) or 50°C ( $\blacksquare$ ). The data are expressed as means of at least three independent experiments.



## **Supplementary Figure S2**

Supplementary Fig. S2. Molecular switching of OsAPX2 in response to salt-stress treatment and recovery in salt-insensitive rice cultivar (Pokkali). Rice seedlings were cultivated in 0.5× MS liquid medium for 3 weeks (Lane 1). For salt stress, 3-week-old cultivated rice plants were transferred to nutrient solution (0.5× MS medium) containing 100 mM NaCl for 3 d (Lane 2). For recovery, rice plants treated with salt stress were transferred to a new nutrient solution containing no salt and grown for 3 d (Lane 3).