

## **New Phytologist Supporting Information**

Article title: Broad spectrum developmental role of Brachypodium AUX1

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MView result of multiple sequence alignment. Sequence identities were calculated based on

reference sequence AtAUX1 and normalized by aligned length. Amino acids were colored by

identity.

Fig. S2 Expression analysis of Brachypodium BdAUX1 and other AUX1 homologs. (A) RT-PCR

amplification of BdAUX1 mRNA from wild type and Bdaux1 mutant background. Different parts

of the BdAUX1 mRNA were amplified using the indicated oligonucleotide pairs. The ca. 600 bp

band amplified with oligonucleotides F1 and R1 (middle) corresponded to an apparently

unrelated cross-hybridizing artefact (Bd1g74510) as determined by Sanger sequencing. The full

length cDNA could not be amplified from Bdaux1 (right) and only produced a small fragment

containing 306 bp of exon 7 (as determined by Sanger sequencing), indicating rearrangement of

the BdAUX1 locus by the T-DNA insertion. (B) qPCR of the two BdAUX1 homologs in Bd21-3 and

Bdaux1 roots, relative expression normalized to housekeeping gene BdUBC18 (error bars = SE).

Statistically significant difference compared to wild type is indicated (Student's T-test, a = p <

0.01).

Fig. S3 Various genetic and physiological analyses of Brachypodium BdAUX1. (A) Primary root length of two Arabidopsis aux1 mutants as compared to their wild type background Col-0. (B-C) Shoot phenotype of indicated complemented and mutant lines. (D) Inflorescence phenotype of a homozygous Bdaux1 mutant created through CRISPR/Cas9 genome editing. (E) Monosaccharide analysis of wall material of 1 cm root elongation zone segments (2-day-old roots) of indicated genotypes (error bars = SE). (F) Shoot phenotype of indicated genotypes. (G) Root length of indicated genotypes. (H) Quantification of total cell file number in cross sections of mature tissue layers of indicated genotypes (2-day-old roots). (I-J) Root meristems of indicated genotypes (confocal microscopy after ClearSee and calcofluor staining), including parental background controls (I), 2-day-old roots. Statistically significant differences are indicated: (A, E): Student's T-test, a = p < 0.01; b = p < 0.02; (G-H): ANOVA (p < 0.001) & Tukey test, alpha = 0.01. (I-J): composite images.

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