

Supplementary Material

Bacterial bifunctional chorismate mutase-prephenate dehydratase PheA increases flux into the yeast phenylalanine pathway and improves mandelic acid production

Mara Reifenrath¹, Maren Bauer¹, Mislav Oreb¹, Eckhard Boles¹

¹ Institute of Molecular Biosciences, Faculty of Biological Sciences, Goethe University Frankfurt, Max-von-Laue Straße 9, 60438 Frankfurt am Main, Germany

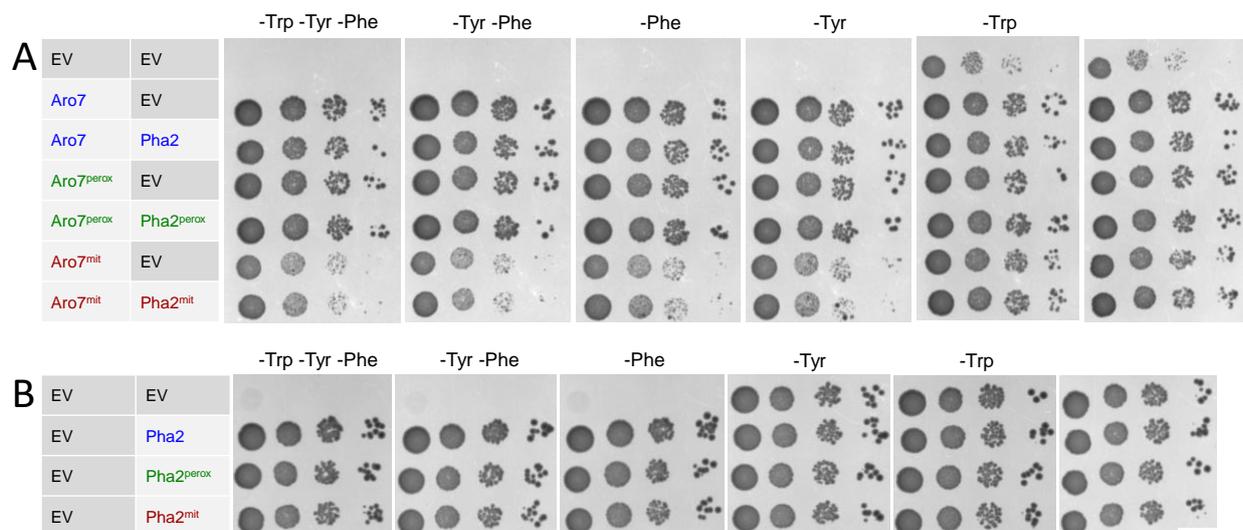


Figure S1. Complementation of *aro7* and *pha2* deletions by *ARO7* and/or *PHA2* fused to mitochondrial or peroxisomal targeting sequences. A) Growth test with MRY36 (CEN.PK2-1C *TRP1* Shik[↑] *aro10Δ* *aro8Δ* *pdc5Δ* *aro7Δ*) harboring different plasmid combinations. B) Growth test with MRY15 (CEN.PK2-1C *TRP1* Shik[↑] *pha2Δ*) harboring different plasmid combinations. The growth tests were performed on SCD agar plates, without histidine, without uracil, with and without supplementation of aromatic amino acids. Cell dilutions of OD₆₀₀ 1, 10⁻¹, 10⁻² and 10⁻³ (from left to right, respectively) were used. The pictures were taken after 3 d at 30 °C. EV, empty vector.

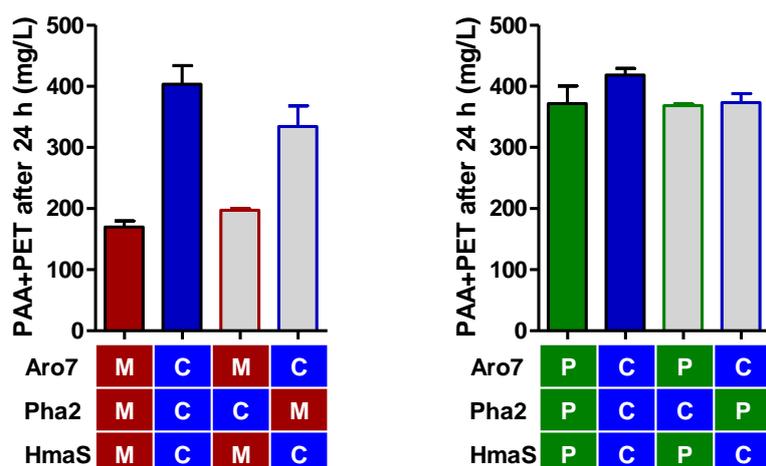


Figure S2. Phenylacetic acid and phenylethanol formation for MA-pathway localized to mitochondria and peroxisomes. A) and B) Phenylacetic acid and phenylethanol (PAA+PET) titers after 24 h of fermentation with MRY25 (CEN.PK2-1C *TRP1* Shik \uparrow *aro7* Δ *trp2* Δ) expressing Aro7^{fbr}, Pha2 and *N. uniformis* HmaS targeted to mitochondria (M, red), cytosol (C, blue) or peroxisomes (P, green). Colored bars present samples in which all three consecutive enzymes were localized in one compartment (blue, cytosol; red, mitochondria; green, peroxisomes). The fermentation was performed in SMD (20 g/L glucose) with anthranilate supplementation and a starting OD₆₀₀ of 5. Error bars indicate standard deviation of biological duplicates.

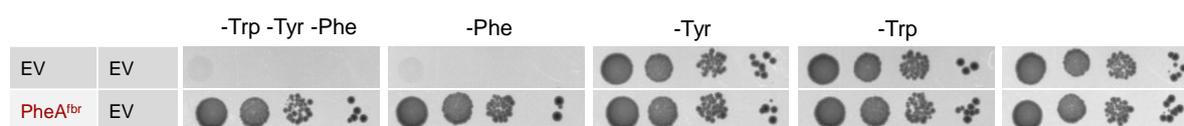


Figure S3. Complementation of a *pha2* deletion by *pheA*. Growth test with MRY15 (CEN.PK2-1C *TRP1* Shik \uparrow *pha2* Δ) harboring the empty vector p423HXT7 (EV) and either the empty vector p426HXT7 (EV) or the *pheA* vector MBaV4. The growth test was performed on SCD agar plates, without histidine, without uracil, with and without supplementation of aromatic amino acids. Cell dilutions of OD₆₀₀ 1, 10⁻¹, 10⁻² and 10⁻³ (from left to right, respectively) were used. The pictures were taken after 3 d at 30 °C.

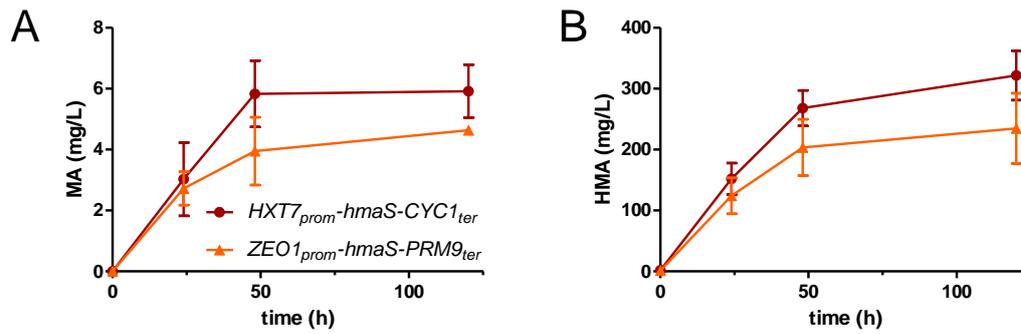


Figure S4. Changes in mandelic acid (MA) and hydroxymandelic acid (HMA) titers after *hmaS* promoter and terminator exchange. A) MA titers and B) HMA titers of Y4 (CEN.PK2-1C *TRP1* Shik[↑] *aro10Δ aro8Δ pdc5Δ*, Reifenrath and Boles, 2018) expressing *N. uniformis hmaS* from plasmids MRV104 (red) and MRV143 (orange). The fermentations were performed in SMD (20 g/L glucose) without supplementation aromatic amino acids and with a starting OD₆₀₀ of 5. Error bars indicate standard deviation of biological duplicates.

Table S1. Plasmids used in this study

Plasmids	Characteristics	Reference
Plasmids used for fermentations		
p423HXT7	2 μ , <i>HIS3</i> , <i>Amp^r</i> , <i>HXT7_{pr}</i> , <i>CYC1_{ter}</i>	(Hamacher et al., 2002)
p425HXT7	2 μ , <i>LEU2</i> , <i>Amp^r</i> , <i>HXT7_{pr}</i> , <i>CYC1_{ter}</i>	(Hamacher et al., 2002)
p426HXT7	2 μ , <i>URA3</i> , <i>Amp^r</i> , <i>HXT7_{pr}</i> , <i>CYC1_{ter}</i>	(Hamacher et al., 2002)
p425MET25	2 μ , <i>LEU2</i> , <i>Amp^r</i> , <i>MET25_{pr}</i> , <i>CYC1_{ter}</i>	(Mumberg et al., 1995)
MBaV2	p423HXT7 <i>MTS-PHA2</i>	This study
MBaV3	p425MET25 <i>MTS-Nu-hmaS^{opt}</i>	This study
MBaV4	p426HXT7 <i>pheA^{fbr, opt}</i>	This study
MBaV5	p426HXT7 <i>MTS-ARO7^{fbr}</i>	This study
MBaV6	p426HXT7 <i>MTS-ARO7^{fbr}-sfGFP</i>	This study
MRV104	p425MET25 <i>Nu-hmaS^{opt}</i>	(Reifenrath and Boles, 2018)
MRV108	p423HXT7 <i>PHA2</i>	This study
MRV133	p423HXT7 <i>PHA2-ePTS1</i>	This study
MRV134	p425MET25 <i>Nu-hmaS^{opt}-ePTS1</i>	This study
MRV135	p426HXT7 <i>ARO7^{fbr}</i>	This study
MRV137	p426HXT7 <i>ARO7^{fbr}-ePTS1</i>	This study
MRV139	p426HXT7 <i>sfGFP-ARO7^{fbr}-ePTS1</i>	This study
MRV140	p425MET25 <i>Nu-hmaS^{opt} S195C</i>	This study
MRV141	p425MET25 <i>Nu-hmaS^{opt} S195M V197M Y333A</i>	This study
MRV142	p425MET25 <i>Nu-hmaS^{opt} S195M V197F Y333A</i>	This study
MRV143	p425 <i>ZEO1_{prom} Nu-hmaS^{opt}-PRM9_{ter}</i>	This study
MRV144	p425 <i>ZEO1_{prom}-Nu-hmaS^{opt}-PRM9_{ter}, HXT7_{prom}-pheA^{fbr, opt}-CYC1_{ter}</i>	This study
MRV145	p425HXT7 <i>pheA^{fbr, opt}</i>	This study
CRISPR/Cas9 Plasmids		
pRCC-K	2 μ , <i>kanMX</i> , <i>Amp^r</i> , <i>ROX3_{pr}-cas9^{opt}-CYC1_{ter}</i> , <i>pSNR52-gRNA</i>	(Generoso et al., 2016)
pRCC-N	2 μ , <i>natMX</i> , <i>Amp^r</i> , <i>ROX3_{pr}-cas9^{opt}-CYC1_{ter}</i> , <i>pSNR52-gRNA</i>	(Generoso et al., 2016)
pRCC-K-ARO7	2 μ , <i>kanMX</i> , <i>ROX3_{pr}-cas9^{opt}-CYC1_{ter}</i> , <i>pSNR52-gRNA</i> for <i>ARO7</i> locus	This study

Table S2. Strains used in this study

Strains	Parent strain	Characteristics	Reference
CEN.PK2-1C		<i>MATa his3D1 leu2-3_112 ura3-52 trp1-289; MAL2-8c SUC2</i>	(Entian and Kötter, 2007)
Y1		CEN.PK2-1C <i>TRP1</i> Shik↑ (<i>aro4Δ::HXT7_{pr}-ARO1</i> <i>ura3Δ::TPI1_{pr}-ARO4fbr_HXT7_{pr}-ARO3^{fbr, opt}</i>)	(Reifenrath and Boles, 2018)
Y4		CEN.PK2-1C <i>TRP1</i> Shik↑ <i>aro10Δ aro8Δ pdc5Δ</i>	(Reifenrath and Boles, 2018)
Y5		CEN.PK2-1C <i>TRP1</i> Shik↑ <i>aro10Δ aro8Δ pdc5Δ trp2Δ</i>	(Reifenrath and Boles, 2018)
MRY15	Y1	CEN.PK2-1C <i>TRP1</i> Shik↑ <i>pha2Δ</i>	This study
MRY26	Y1	CEN.PK2-1C <i>TRP1</i> Shik↑ <i>aro7Δ</i>	This study
MRY25	MRY26	CEN.PK2-1C <i>TRP1</i> Shik↑ <i>aro7Δ trp2Δ</i>	This study
MRY31	Y5	CEN.PK2-1C <i>TRP1</i> Shik↑ <i>aro10Δ aro8Δ pdc5Δ trp2Δ aro7Δ</i>	This study
MRY36	MRY31	CEN.PK2-1C <i>TRP1</i> Shik↑ <i>aro10Δ aro8Δ pdc5Δ aro7Δ</i>	This study

Table S3. Primers used in this study

Primer name	Sequence 5'-3'	Application
Plasmid construction or sequencing		
SZP107	CTGCGTGTCTTCTGAGG	Binding in <i>HXT7</i> _{prom} , Sequencing
MOP289	CAAGAACAACAAGCTCAAC	Binding in <i>HXT7</i> _{prom} , Sequencing
MOP291	GCGTCTGTTAGAAAGGAAGTTTTCC	Binding in <i>MET25</i> _{prom} , Sequencing
HDP145	CGTGAATGTAAGCGTGAC	Binding in <i>CYC1</i> _{ter} , Sequencing or amplification of an insert with overhang to the <i>CYC1</i> _{ter}
MOP290	ACCTAGACTTCAGGTTGTC	Binding in <i>CYC1</i> _{ter} , Sequencing
MRP169	ACAAAAAGTTTTTTAATTTAATCAAAAAATGGCCAGC AAGACTTTGAG	<i>PHA2</i> amplification, fwd, overhang to <i>HXT7</i> _{prom}
MRP170	AGCGTGACATAACTAATTACATGACTCGAGTATTTGTG ATAATATCTCTCATTTCTGGG	<i>PHA2</i> amplification, rev, overhang to <i>CYC1</i> _{ter}
MRP233	AGCGTGACATAACTAATTACATGACTCGAGTTACAACCTT AGATCTTCTACCTCTACCCAATTTGTGATAATATCTCTC ATTTCTGGG	<i>PHA2</i> amplification, PTS-introduction, rev, overhang to <i>CYC1</i> _{ter}
MRP234	AGCGTGACATAACTAATTACATGACTCGAGTTACAACCTT AGATCTTCTACCTCTACCCAATTTTCAGTTCTGTGTCT TTCAGC	<i>Nu-hmaS</i> ^{opt} amplification, PTS-introduction, rev, overhang to <i>CYC1</i> _{ter}
MRP172	ACAAAAAGTTTTTTAATTTAATCAAAAAATGGATTTC CAAACCCAGAAAC	<i>ARO7</i> amplification, fwd, overhang to <i>HXT7</i> _{prom}
MGP12	CTAGTGCCAACAGAAGAGAAGTTATTCTTATC	Introducing mutation G141S into <i>ARO7</i> , rev
MGP11	GATAAGAATAACTTCTCTTCTGTTGCCACTAG	Introducing mutation G141S into <i>ARO7</i> , fwd
MRP173	AGCGTGACATAACTAATTACATGACTCGAGTTACTCTTC CAACCTCTTAGCAAG	<i>ARO7</i> amplification, rev, overhang to <i>CYC1</i> _{ter}
MRP232	CGTGACATAACTAATTACATGACTCGAGTTACAACCTTAG ATCTTCTACCTCTACCCACTTCCAACCTTCTTAGCA AG	<i>ARO7</i> amplification, PTS-introduction, rev, overhang to <i>CYC1</i> _{ter}
MRP237	ACAAAAAGTTTTTTAATTTAATCAAAAAATGAGCAAA GGAGAAGAACTTTTC	<i>sfGFP</i> amplification, fwd, overhang to <i>HXT7</i> _{prom}
JTP39	GTGAAATCGGATCCACCAGAACCTTTGTAGAGCTCATC CATGC	<i>sfGFP</i> amplification, rev
MRP236	ATGGCATGGATGAGCTCTACAAAGTTCTGGTGGATCC GATTTCAAAAACCCAGAACTG	<i>ARO7</i> amplification, fwd, overhang to <i>sfGFP</i> , used together with HDP145
MRP244	AGATTGAACAACCTTACAGTTCATAGCTTGAGCACCAAC C	Introducing mutation S195C into <i>Nu-hmaS</i> ^{opt} , rev
MRP245	CAAGCTATGAACTGTAAGGTTGTTCAATCTACTTCTGG	Introducing mutation S195C into <i>Nu-hmaS</i> ^{opt} , fwd
MRP242	GATTGAACCATCTTCATGTTTCATAGCTTGAGCACCAAC	Introducing mutations S195M and V197M into <i>Nu-hmaS</i> ^{opt} , rev
MRP243	CAAGCTATGAACATGAAGATGGTTCAATCTACTTCTGG TGCTG	Introducing mutations S195M and V197M into <i>Nu-hmaS</i> ^{opt} , fwd
MRP240	TCAACAGCTTCAGCCAAAGCCTTGATGTTACCAGAAC	Introducing mutation Y333A into <i>Nu-hmaS</i> ^{opt} , rev
MRP241	TAACATCAAGGCTTTGGCTGAAGCTGTTGAAGCTGAAA GAC	Introducing mutation Y333A into <i>Nu-hmaS</i> ^{opt} , fwd
MRP238	GATTGAACGAACTTCATGTTTCATAGCTTGAGCACCAAC	Introducing mutations S195M and V197F into <i>Nu-hmaS</i> ^{opt} , rev
MRP239	CAAGCTATGAACATGAAGTTCGTTCAATCTACTTCTGGT GCTG	Introducing mutations S195M and V197F into <i>Nu-hmaS</i> ^{opt} , fwd
MBaP3	CAAAAAAGTTTTTTAATTTAATCAAAAAATGGCTAGTA CCAGAGTTTTAGC	<i>MTS</i> amplification, fwd, overhang to <i>HXT7</i> _{prom}
MBaP2	GGAGGAGTAAGCTCTCTTTTG	<i>MTS</i> amplification, rev

MBaP4	CAAGCCTTCCAAAAGAGAGCTTACTCCTCCGCCAGCAA GACTTTGAGG	<i>PHA2</i> amplification, fwd, overhang to <i>MTS</i> , used together with HDP145
MBaP1	CAAGCCTTCCAAAAGAGAGCTTACTCCTCCGATTTAC AAAACCAGAACTG	<i>ARO7</i> amplification, fwd, overhang to <i>MTS</i> , used together with HDP145
JTP124	AATTCTATTACCCCATCCATACTCTAGAAATGGCTAGT ACCAGAGTTTTAG	<i>MTS</i> amplification, fwd, overhang to <i>MET25_{prom}</i>
MBaP5	CAAGCCTTCCAAAAGAGAGCTTACTCCTCCGCTGCTCA AGCTGGTTCTG	<i>Nu-hmaS^{opt}</i> amplification, fwd, overhang to <i>MTS</i> , used together with HDP145
MRP235	GTGGAATACTTGCTAAGAAGTTGGAAGAGGGTTCTG GTGGATCCAGC	<i>sfGFP</i> amplification, fwd, overhang to <i>ARO7</i> , used together with HDP145
Amplification of CrisprCas9 Plasmids pRCC-K/N		
WGP234	AACAAAAACCTGCAGGAAACGAAG ATAAATCATTTAAACTGTGAGGACCTTAATAC ATTC	Amplification of donor DNA, binding <i>TPI1_{prom}</i> , overhang to <i>URA3_{prom}</i> , forward
WGP235	GTTTAGTATACATGCATTTACTTATAATACAGTTTTTTA GGTACCGGCCGCAAATTAAG	Amplification of donor DNA, binding <i>CYC1_{ter}</i> , overhang to <i>URA3_{ter}</i> , reverse
Deletion of <i>ARO7</i>		
JHP3	TGTATAGCGGGATATCCGATGTTTTAGAGCTAGAAATA GCAAGTTAAAATAAGG	Amplification of prCC-K
JHP4	CATCGGATATCCCGCTATACAGATCATTTATCTTTCACT GCGGAG	
MRP198	CAAATAGCACTCAGCATCCTGCATAAAAATTGGTATAAG ATGATTACTCCAGAATATTTGG TAAAAATTTATAAGGAAATT	Donor DNA
JHP16	CAAACCTCGTGTTGCATTTTC	Control PCR, <i>ARO7</i> locus
JHP19	GCGATGAGGTTATTGGGTTG	
Deletion of <i>TRP2</i>		
MRP219	CACGGCGCCCGCATAAACCCCGATCATTTATCTTTAC TGCGGAG	Amplification of prCC
MRP220	GGGGTTTTATGCGGGCGCCGTGTTTTAGAGCTAGAAAT AGCAAGTTAAAATAAGG	
MRP218	ATAATTAGCACTGATATTCTGATTGGAAAAAAGGCAAA AAAAGGCATTCTCTGTTT TTCTCCCTTAGACGACATTTTT	Donor DNA
MRP221	GAATAATCCTTTCAATCGTTGAAGTAG	Control PCR, <i>TRP2</i> locus
MRP222	AATTTTATTACAAAGCCATAACTCTTGC	
Reintegrating <i>TRP2</i> in <i>MRY31</i>		
MRP221	GAATAATCCTTTCAATCGTTGAAGTAG	Amplification and sequencing of <i>TRP2</i> for reintegration, forward

Table S4. Codon optimized sequences used in this study

Name	Sequence
<i>pheA^{fbr}</i> , codon optimized	ATGACCTCTGAAAACCCATTGTTGGCTTTGAGAGAAAAGATTTCTGCTTTGGA CGAAAAGTTGTTGGCTTTGTTGGCTGAAAGAAGAGAATTGGCTGTTGAAGTT GGTAAGGCTAAGTTGTTGTCTCACAGACCAGTTAGAGACATTGACAGAGAAA GAGACTTGTGGAAAGATTGATTACCTTGGGTAAGGCTCACCATTGGACGC TCACTACATTACCAGATTGTTCCAATTGATTATTGAAGACTCTGTTTTGACCCA ACAAGCTTTGTTGCAACAACACTTGAACAAGATTAACCCACACTCTGCTAGAA TTGCTTTCTTGGGTCCAAAGGGTCTTACTCTCACTTGGCTGCTAGACAATAC GCTGCTAGACACTTCGAACAATTCATTGAATCTGGTTGTGCTAAGTTCGCTGA CATTTTCAACCAAGTTGAAACCGGTCAAGCTGACTACGCTGTTGTTCCAATTG AAAACACCTCTTCTGGTGCTATTAACGACGTTTACGACTTGTGCAACACACC TCTTTGTCTATTGTTGGTGAATGACCTTGACCATTGACCATTGTTGTTGGT TTCTGGTACCACCGACTTGTCTACCATTAACACCGTTTACTCTCACCACAAC CATTCCAACAATGTTCTAAGTTCTTGAACAGATACCCACACTGGAAGATTGAA TACACCGAATCTACCTCTGCTGCTATGGAAAAGGTTGCTCAAGCTAAGTCTCC ACACGTTGCTGCTTTGGGTTCTGAAGCTGGTGGTACCTTGACGGTTTGCAA GTTTTGGAAAGAATTGAAGCTAACCAAGACAAAACCTTCACCAGATTCGTTGT TTTGGCTAGAAAGGCTATTAACGTTTCTGACCAAGTTCAGCTAAGACCACCT TGTTGATGGCTAAGCAAGCTGGTGGTGGTGGTGGTGGTGGTGGTGGTGGTGGT AAACCACAACCTGATTATGACCAGATTGGAATCTAGACCAATTCACGGTAACC CATGGGAAGAAATGTTCTACTTGGACATTCAAGCTAACTTGAATCTGCTGA AATGCAAAAGGCTTTGAAGGAATTGGGTGAAATTACCAGATCTATGAAGGTT TTGGGTTGTTACCCATCTGAAAACGTTGTTCCAGTTGACCCAACCTAA
MTS (<i>atp-9</i> , <i>N. crassa</i>), codon optimized	ATGGCTAGTACCAGAGTTTTAGCTTCCAGATTGGCTTCTCAAATGGCTGCTTC AGCAAAGGTAGCAAGACCAGCTGTCAGAGTGGCTCAGGTGTCTAAAAGGAC TATACAAACCGGCAGTCCATTGCAAACCTCTAAAGAGAACACAAATGACAAGT ATCGTCAATGCAACAACAAGACAAGCCTTCCAAAAGAGAGCTTACTCCTCC
ePTS1 (DeLoache et al., 2016), codon optimized	TTGGGTAGAGGTAGAAGATCTAAGTTG

Table S5. gRNA sequences used for deletions in this study

Locus	gRNA sequence 5'-3'
<i>ARO7</i>	TGTATAGCGGGATATCCGAT
<i>PHA2</i>	TTATGGCCAGCAAGACTTTG
<i>TRP2</i>	GGGGTTTATGCGGGCGCCGT