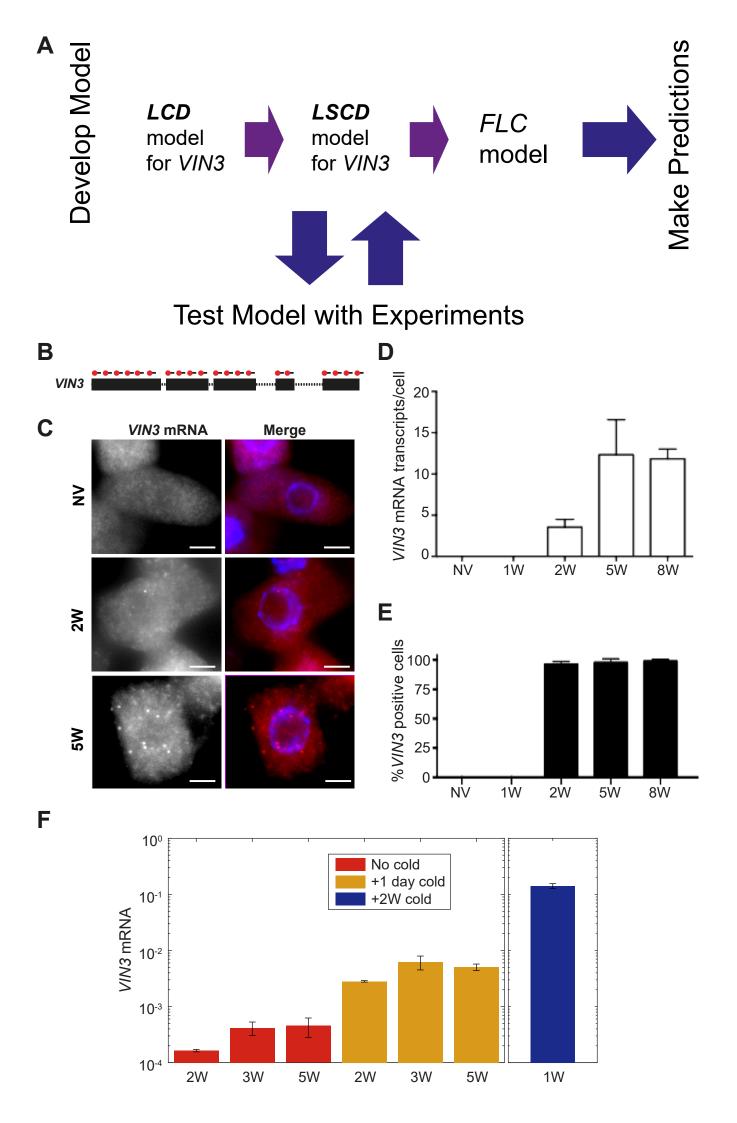
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## **Supplemental Information**

Temperature Sensing Is Distributed throughout the Regulatory Network that Controls

FLC Epigenetic Silencing in Vernalization

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# Figure S1. Long-term registers time in the cold using an analogue mechanism, related to Figure 3

A, Flow diagram of the work presented in this paper. B, Schematic showing smFISH probe design for VIN3 mRNA detection. C, Representative images showing cellular distribution of VIN3 mRNA (red) before cold (NV), and after 2 and 5 weeks of 5°C exposure. DNA labelled with DAPI (blue). Scale bars = 10  $\mu$  m. D, VIN3 mRNA per cell data was determined by analysis of smFISH images. "NV" data was obtained from non-vernalized plants grown at 22°C, prior to any cold exposure. 1W, 2W, 5W and 8W refers to 1, 2, 5 and 8 weeks of cold treatment at 5°C. E, The percentage of VIN3 positive cells was calculated by scoring each cell for the presence or absence of VIN3 smFISH probe signal. For all time points, >70 cells were analysed. F, VIN3 mRNA levels were measured using QPCR, from plants grown for different durations of time in warm conditions (20-22°C) and then in some cases transferred to cold (8°C). On the x-axis, 1W, 2W, 3W, 5W, indicates number of weeks in warm conditions. Colour of the bar corresponds to subsequent cold treatment. Red bar: "No cold" refers to plants without cold transfer; yellow bar: one day of cold; blue bar: shown as a reference for a short vernalizing treatment (2 weeks, data from Hepworth et al. (2018)). All samples collected at 3pm. RNA levels relative to UBC, PP2A. n=2-3, average >2.6. Error bars show standard error.

#### Α

#### Unspliced VIN3 concentration (v):

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = p_v(L, C, D) - s_v v$$

#### Spliced VIN3 concentration (V):

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = s_v v - d_V V$$

where  $p_v(L, C, D) = LCD$  is the productive transcription,  $s_v$  is the splicing rate and  $d_V$  is the degradation rate of VIN3.

#### Long-term (L)

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = \begin{cases} 1 - d_L L, & T < 17^o C \\ -d_L L, & T \ge 17^o C \end{cases}$$

### Diurnal regulation (D)

$$D(t) = \left[ p_D + \sin\left(2\pi\left(t - \frac{t_m - 1}{24}\right)\right) \right]^2$$

where  $t_m$  is the time at dawn.

#### Current temperature (C)

$$C(T) = \begin{cases} p_{C1}, & T \le 10^{o}C \\ c(T), & 10^{o}C < T < 17^{o}C, \\ p_{C1} - p_{C2}, & T \ge 17^{o}C \end{cases}$$

$$c(T) = p_{C1} - \frac{T - 10}{17 - 10} p_{C2}$$

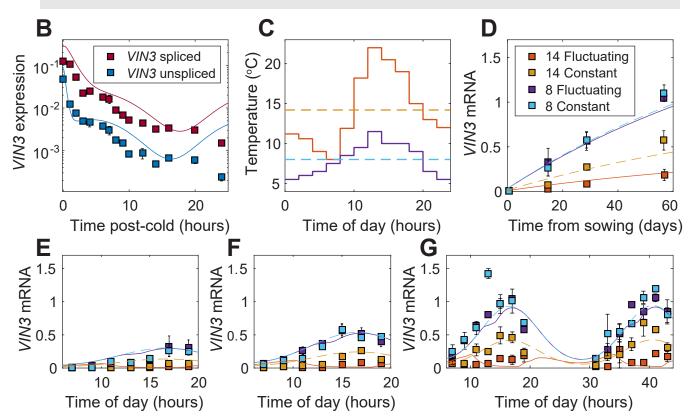
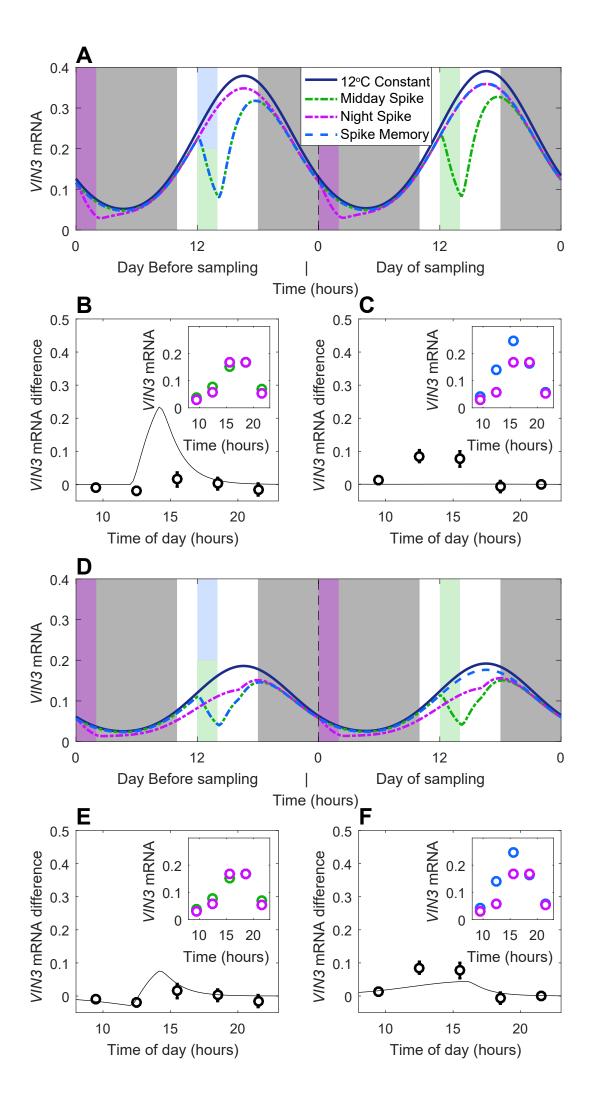


Figure S2. LCD model of VIN3 expression fit to literature data, related to Figure 3

**A**, Equations for LCD model components. The parameter values used are  $d_V = 18 \text{ day}^{-1}$ ,  $s_v = 4.4 d_V$ ,  $d_L = 0.009 \text{ day}^{-1}, p_{C1} = 0.0416, p_{C2} = 0.0400, p_D = 2.05.$  **B-G**, The *LCD* model of *VIN3* expression fit to data from the literature (Hepworth et al., 2018). Squares with error bars (standard error) represent experimental data, lines show the model fit. B, VIN3 expression hours after plants are returned to the warm (22°C) following 4 weeks at 5°C. C, Vernalization treatments that averaged 14.2°C (orange and yellow) or 8°C (purple and light blue), with either constant (dashed lines) or daily fluctuating (solid lines) patterns. **D-G**, VIN3 mRNA expression from plants given the treatments of **C**. **D**, Maximum daily VIN3 expression from plots E-G shown over the timecourse of weeks in the cold. For values at 8 weeks, measurements of two consecutive days (plot G) were first combined by averaging measurements from both days for each time of day, before selecting the maximum average. E, VIN3 mRNA over a single day after 2 weeks vernalization. F, VIN3 mRNA over a single day after 4 weeks vernalization. G, VIN3 mRNA over two consecutive days after 8 weeks vernalization.



#### Figure S3. LCD model cannot fit the spike experiment data, related to Figures 2 and 3

A, The LCD model predictions for the spike conditions of Fig. 2A on the day before sampling and the day of sampling. B, Comparison of difference in VIN3 mRNA level between "Night Spike" and "Midday Spike" (data from Fig. 2B). The model (solid line) predicts higher VIN3 mRNA levels for the "Night Spike" compared to the "Midday Spike" treatment between approximately 12:00 and 16:00, whereas the experimental data shows no difference (empty circles, always close to 0). Inset of B: Experimental VIN3 mRNA level for "Night Spike" (pink) and "Midday Spike" (green) treatments (data from Fig. 2B). C, Comparison of difference in VIN3 mRNA level between "Spike Memory" and "Night Spike" (data from Fig. **2B**). The model (solid line) predicts equal VIN3 mRNA levels for the "Night Spike" and "Spike Memory" treatments on the day of sampling after 08:00, while the experimental data (empty circles) shows that the "Spike Memory" treatment gives mRNA levels higher than the "Night Spike". Inset of C: Experimental VIN3 mRNA level for "Night Spike" (pink) and "Spike Memory" (blue) treatments (data from Fig. 2B). **D**, The *LSCD* model predictions for the spike conditions of Fig. 2A on the day before sampling and the day of sampling. E-F, Comparison of difference in VIN3 mRNA level between "Night Spike" and "Midday Spike" and between "Spike Memory" and "Night Spike", respectively (data from Fig. 2B). In this case much better agreement is seen between the data and the model predictions. In all cases the green, blue and pink backgrounds indicate the times of the high temperature spike in the "Midday Spike", "Spike Memory" and "Night Spike" conditions, respectively. Dark background indicates night-time. Circle and bars show mean and standard error, respectively, where the standard error of the difference is estimated by the sum of the standard errors. RNA levels normalised to UBC, PP2A.

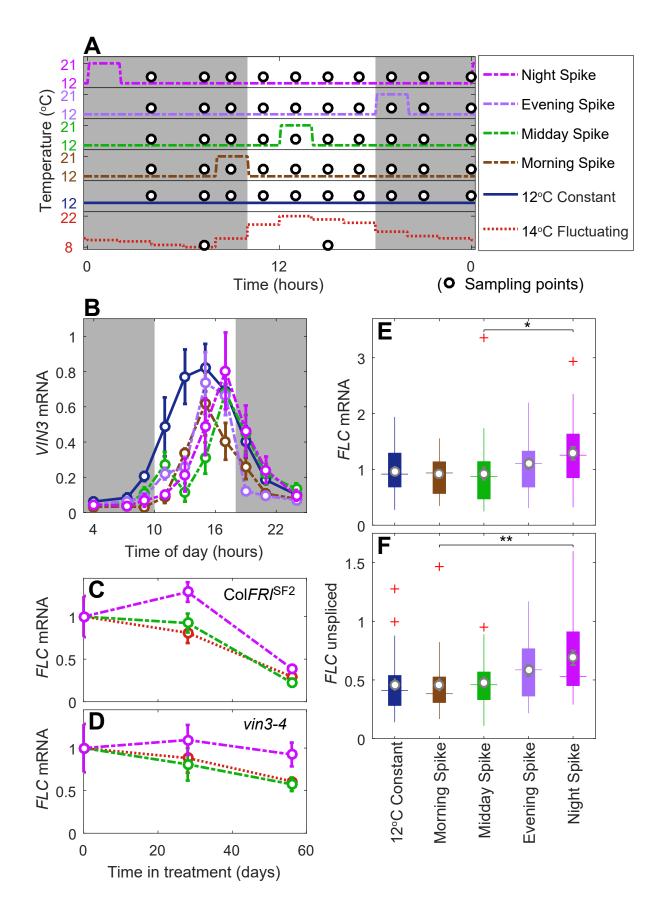


Figure S4. Spikes at particular times affect VIN3 and FLC expression differently, related to Figure 2

**A**, Various temperature conditions given to plants following a pregrowth period in 20°C night, 22°C day 16hr photoperiod for one week. Dark background indicates night-time (8hr photoperiod). **B**, VIN3 mRNA in ColFRI<sup>SF2</sup>, after 4 weeks of 'cold' conditions as in **A**, sampled throughout the day as shown, n=3. **C-D**, Timeseries of FLC expression, normalised to non-vernalized (NV) levels, in ColFRI<sup>SF2</sup> and vin3-4, respectively, under the Midday and Night Spike treatments, compared to the 14°C Fluctuating treatment, which is based on a natural autumn day in Norwich. Data points shown are averaged over all the sampling timepoints of one day. Full list of sampling timepoints and replicates are shown in **Supplementary Table** 1. n=6-29, average=11. **E-F**, FLC spliced and unspliced after 4 weeks cold, averaged over all the sampling

timepoints of one day in  $ColFRI^{SF2}$ . Box plot shows median and  $25^{th}$  and  $75^{th}$  percentiles of the samples. Ends of whiskers show maximum and minimum values excluding outliers, where an outlier (red +) is a value more than 1.5 times the interquartile range away from the top or bottom of the box. Kruskal-Wallis test with Dunn's post-hoc test between the Spike treatments (Morning, Midday, Evening and Night Spike, all with similar VIN3 levels to allow testing for the VIN3-independent effect only) gives: p<0.05 significant difference between Midday and Night Spike FLC mRNA (\* in plot); p<0.01 between Morning and Night Spike FLC unspliced (\*\* in plot) (no other combinations were significant). In all cases, circle and bars show mean and standard error, respectively. n=28-30, average>29. RNA levels normalised to UBC, PP2A.

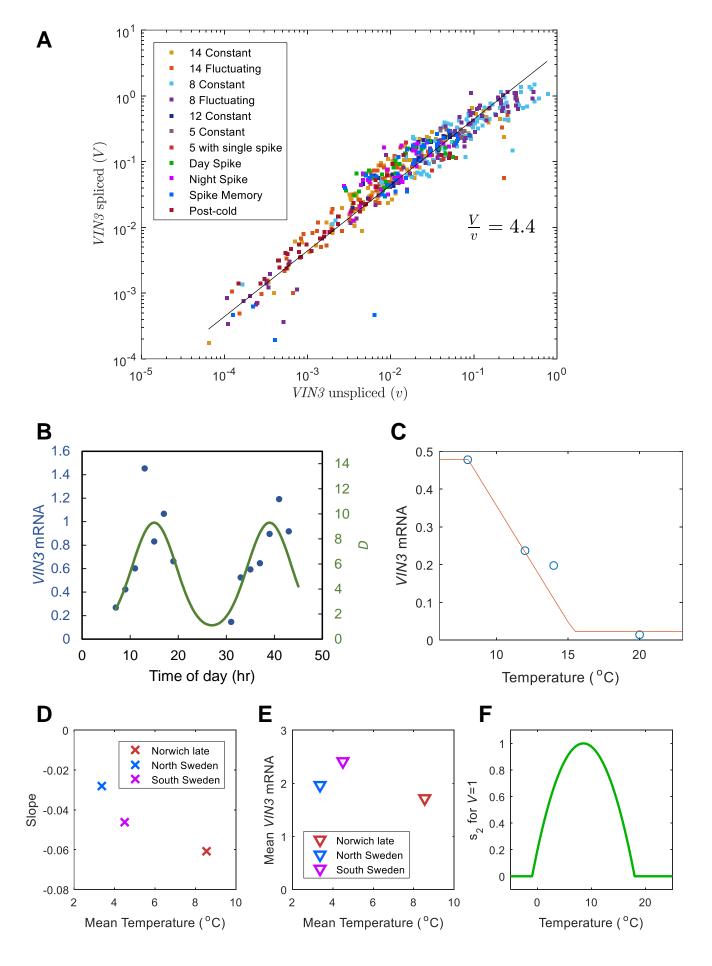


Figure S5. VIN3/FLC model description, related to Figures 3 and 4

A, Spliced VIN3 levels plotted against unspliced VIN3 levels from the same sample for the various experiments of Fig. S7. The black line shows V=4.4v, which captures the relationship between the two variables (R<sup>2</sup>=0.901 on the log-log scale). B, Component D follows the diurnal pattern of the VIN3 data. Data from Hepworth et al, (2018) is shown for two consecutive days (also in this paper in Fig. S2G, S7D). C, VIN3 mRNA measurements (circles) after 4 weeks at cold temperatures (same input from L thermosensor), sam-

pled between 14:30 and 17:30 (similar input from component D) to determine contribution of thermosensor C to temperature sensing. The 20°C measurements are from samples transferred from 5°C for less than 24 hr, so input from L should also be approximately the same in those plants. In the LSCD model, the S thermosensor will take a different value for the 20°C measurement versus the others, but this is a comparatively minor effect. The line shows the result of the optimisation (not to these points alone but to all data) as explained in optimisation section of Methods. D, Slope of shutdown of FLC expression (estimated by linear regression) at the three field sites from the 2014-15 experiment (Hepworth et al., 2018) plotted against the mean temperature at the corresponding site during the time of the experiment. More negative values of the slope indicate a steeper slope and faster shutdown. Norwich late refers to measurements in Norwich after VIN3 was induced ( $\sim$ 55 days); the temperature data is also limited to that time period. E, As for D but mean VIN3 mRNA is shown instead of slope. F, Behaviour of  $s_2(V,T)$  in the model for constant VIN3 expression.

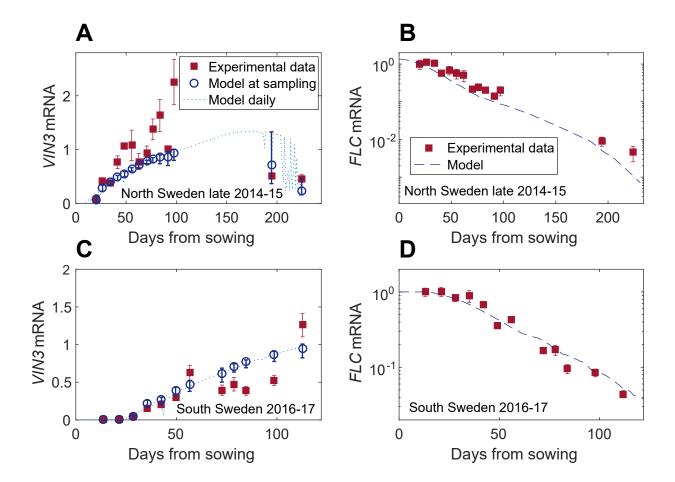


Figure S6. VIN3/FLC model fit and prediction for field sites, related to Figures 3, 4 and 5 A-B, Comparison of VIN3/FLC model and fitted experimental VIN3 and FLC mRNA data, respectively, for the late planting in North Sweden, in 2014-15. Data from Hepworth et al (2018). C-D, Validation of VIN3/FLC model by prediction of VIN3 and FLC behaviour under new field conditions, in South Sweden, in 2016-17. n=5-6, average >5.8. In all cases, squares and error bars for experimental data show mean and standard error, respectively. In A and C, "Model at sampling" shows the mean of the model values of VIN3 mRNA in the sampling time window, which is defined as the period from 2 hr before the recorded sampling time to 2 hr after due to the long duration of sampling. The error bars show the maximum and minimum model values of VIN3 mRNA during that time window. "Model daily" shows the model value for VIN3 mRNA at the same time every day (chosen as the time of the final sampling), to demonstrate the changes in amplitude of the VIN3 daily peak. In B and D, the dashed blue line shows the model values of FLC mRNA.

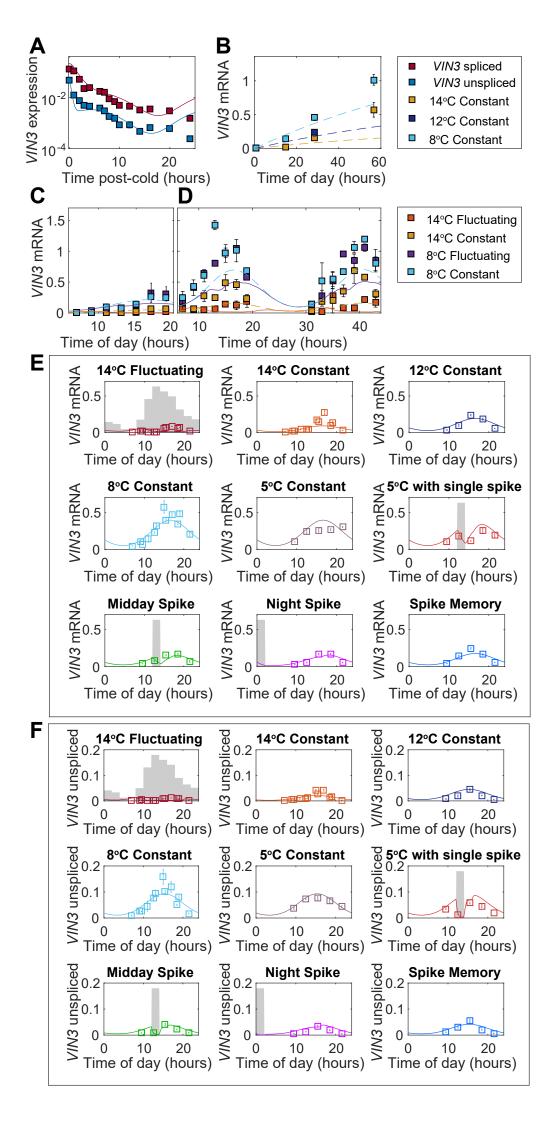


Figure S7. LSCD model fitted to VIN3 data from wild-type (Col $FRI^{\rm SF2}$ ) plants in lab conditions, related to Figure 3

A-F, The *LSCD* model of *VIN3* expression fit to data from the literature (Hepworth et al., 2018, same as presented in Fig. S2) and new data presented in this paper. Squares with error bars (standard error) represent experimental data, lines (dashed and full) show the model fit. A, *VIN3* expression hours after plants are returned to the warm at 22°C following 4 weeks at 5°C (data from Hepworth et al., 2018, same as presented in Fig. S2B). B, *VIN3* mRNA over weeks of cold treatment measured at the same time of day (3pm) for 3 different constant temperatures (data combined from Hepworth et al., 2018 and Fig. 2). C, *VIN3* mRNA over a single day after 2 weeks vernalization in the temperature conditions of Fig. S2C (data from Hepworth et al., 2018, same as presented here in Fig. S2E). D, *VIN3* mRNA over two consecutive days after 8 weeks vernalization in the temperature conditions of Fig. S2C (data from Hepworth et al., 2018, same as presented here in Fig. S2G). E-F, *VIN3* spliced and unspliced levels respectively, measured during the day after 4 weeks in the conditions shown (includes data from Hepworth et al., 2018 and Fig. 2, as well as new data: n=1-6, average >3). Grey background bars represent temperature profile in nonconstant conditions.

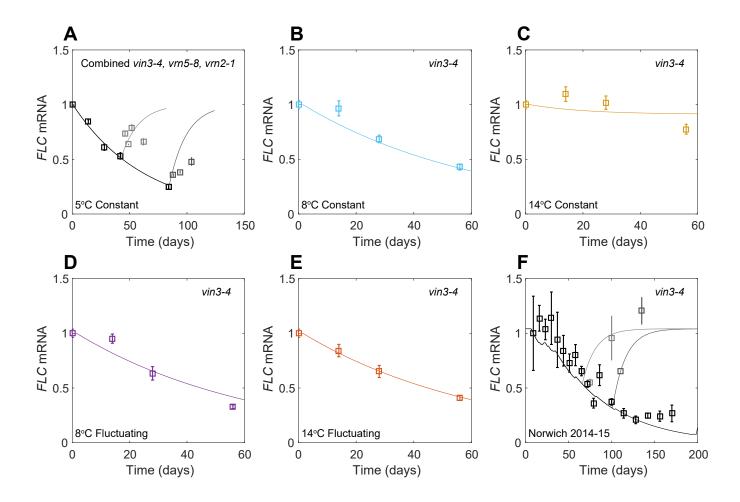


Figure S8. Comparison of VIN3-independent part of the FLC model and fitted experimental data for vin3-4, vrn5-8 and vrn2-1 mutants, related to Figure 4

**A**, Model simulated with  $s_2 = s_3 = 0$  (for  $I \rightarrow E$  and  $H \rightarrow E$  transitions) (other parameters as in **Table S4**) at constant 5°C (black line) and post-cold at 22°C (grey lines), with transfer at times indicated by start of grey line. Experimental data shows combination of vin3-4, vrn5-8 and vrn2-1 mutants at constant 5°C (black squares) and after transfer to warm, 22°C (grey squares). Experimental data from Yang et al. (2017). **B-E**, Model simulated with  $s_2 = s_3 = 0$  (other parameters as in **Table S4**) at 8°C constant, 14°C constant, 8°C fluctuating and 14°C fluctuating, respectively (lines). Experimental data shows vin3-4 mutant with same conditions (squares). Experimental data and temperature profiles from Hepworth et al. (2018). **F**, Comparison of model and fitted experimental data for Norwich in 2014-15, for the vin3-4 mutant (black squares; Hepworth et al., 2018). At times indicated by start of the grey lines, plants were transferred from 'field' conditions after 10 or 14 weeks to a heated, lit, long-day glasshouse, and continued to be sampled (grey squares). n=6 for timepoints taken in the 'field' glasshouse, n=3 for timepoints in the warm glasshouse. In all cases, squares and error bars show mean and standard error, respectively. RNA levels normalised to UBC, PP2A for **B-F**, normalised to UBC for **A**.

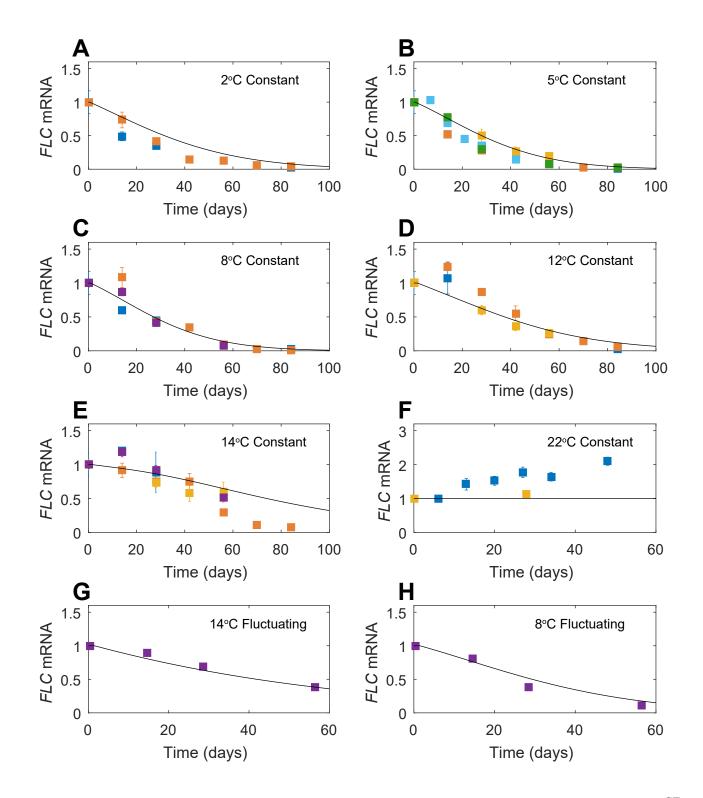


Figure S9. VIN3/FLC model fitted to experimental FLC data from wild-type (Col $FRI^{SF2}$ ) plants in lab conditions, related to Figure 4

A-F, Comparison of model (black lines) with experimental FLC data collected from plants treated at various constant temperatures, as indicated. Colour corresponds to individual who performed the experiment. Previously unpublished data: orange, blue, yellow, green (see Methods section for description) n=1-27, average >8.5. Previously published data is also included: orange - Duncan et al., (2015) together with unpublished data from the same study; purple - Hepworth et al. (2018); light blue - Yang et al. (2017). G-H, Comparison of model (black lines) with experimental FLC data collected from plants treated at fluctuating temperatures, as indicated, (data from Hepworth et al., 2018). In all cases, squares and error bars show mean and standard error, respectively. RNA levels are normalised, as explained in the Methods.

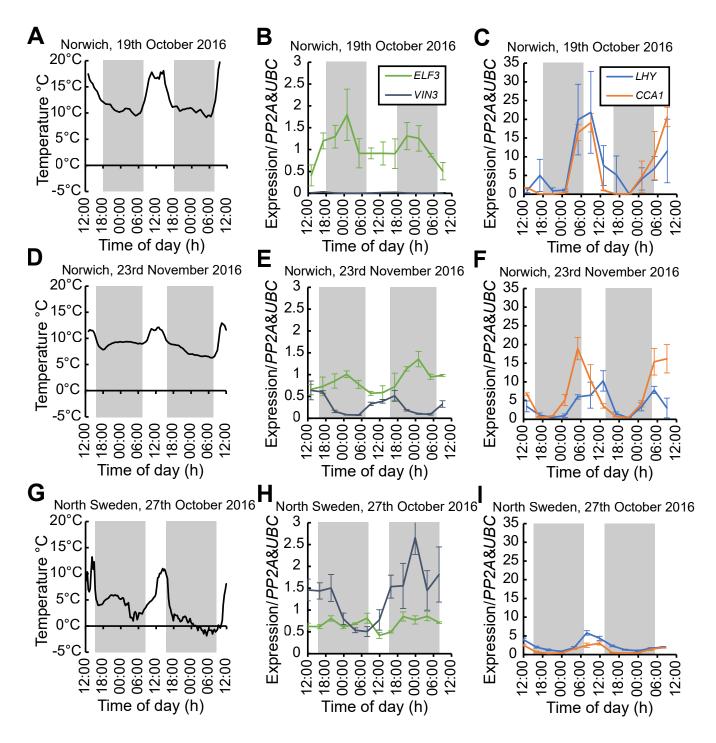


Figure S10. VIN3 and some circadian clock genes show shifted expression in North Sweden in the 2016-17 winter, as compared to Norwich, related to Figure 5

Temperature and gene expression time-series including one complete day in Norwich in October 2016 ( $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $\mathbf{C}$ ), in Norwich in November 2016 ( $\mathbf{D}$ ,  $\mathbf{E}$ ,  $\mathbf{F}$ ), and in North Sweden in October 2016 ( $\mathbf{G}$ ,  $\mathbf{H}$ ,  $\mathbf{I}$ ). Ground temperatures ( $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{D}$ ,  $\mathbf{G}$ ), mean expression of VIN3 and evening complex gene ELF3 ( $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $\mathbf{E}$ ,  $\mathbf{H}$ ), and mean of morning-expressed circadian regulators CCA1 and LHY ( $\mathbf{C}$ ,  $\mathbf{F}$ ,  $\mathbf{I}$ ). VIN3 expression relative to control (see Methods) used for 2016-17, other expression relative to PP2A and UBC. Error bars show standard error.  $\mathbf{n}=3$  in Norwich,  $\mathbf{n}=6$  in Sweden. Dark shading indicates night-time.

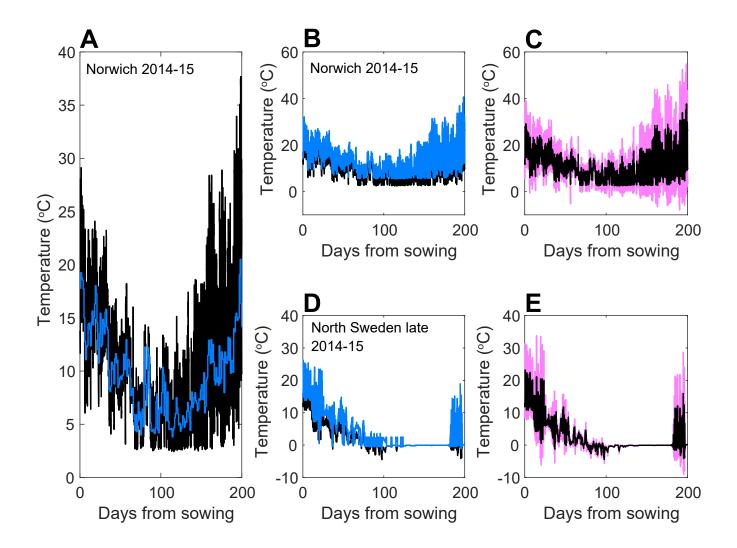


Figure S11. Modified temperature profiles, related to Figure 6 A, Temperature profile in Norwich 2014-15 (black) and day-mean profile (blue) of Fig. 6A-F. In the day-mean profile, the temperature measurements each day (initially every 30 min) are replaced by the mean value of that day. B, Temperature profile in Norwich 2014-15 (black) and "+3" profile (blue) of Fig. 6G-I. The original profile was modified by adding 3°C. C, Temperature profile in Norwich 2014-15 (black) and "x2" profile (pink) of Fig. 6G-I. The profile was modified by stretching the temperatures (T) above and below the daily mean temperature  $(T_m)$  for each day  $(T \to 2(T - T_m) + T_m)$ . D, Temperature profile in North Sweden (late planting) 2014-15 (black) and "+3" profile (blue) of Fig. 6J-L. The original profile was modified by adding 3°C, with the exception of temperatures around 0°C, when the plants were mainly covered by snow. E, Temperature profile in North Sweden (late planting) 2014-15 (black) and "x2" profile (pink) of Fig. 6J-L. The profile was modified as in C.

Table S1. Primers used in this study, related to STAR methods

Primer name	Sequence 5'-3'	Used for RT reaction	From
UBC_qPCR_F	CTGCGACTCAGGGAATCTTCTAA		1
UBC_qPCR_R	TTGTGCCATTGAATTGAACCC	Y	1
FLC_4265_F (spliced sense)	AGCCAAGAAGACCGAACTCA		1
FLC_5683_R (spliced sense)	TTTGTCCAGCAGGTGACATC	Y	1
FLC_3966_F (unspliced sense)	CGCAATTTTCATAGCCCTTG		1
FLC_4135_R (unspliced sense)	CTTTGTAATCAAAGGTGGAGAGC		1
FLC unspliced RT (4029)	TGACATTTGATCCCACAAGC	Y	1
VIN3 qPCR 1 F	TGCTTGTGGATCGTCTTGTCA		1
VIN3 qPCR 1 R	TTCTCCAGCATCCGAGCAAG	Y	1
PP2A QPCR F2	ACTGCATCTAAAGACAGAGTTCC		1
PP2A QPCR R2	CCAAGCATGGCCGTATCATGT	Y	1
JF118-CCA1-F	CTGTGTCTGACGAGGGTCGAA		2
JF119-CCA1-R	ATATGTAAAACTTTGCGGCAATACCT	Y	2
JF120-LHY-F	CAACAGCAACAACAATGCAACTAC		2
JF121-LHY-R	AGAGAGCCTGAAACGCTATACGA	Y	2
JF260-ELF3-F	GGAAAGCCATTGCCAATCAA		2
JF261-ELF3-R	ATCCGGTGATGCAGCAATAAGT	Y	2

<sup>1.</sup> Hepworth *et al.* (2018)

Table S2. UPL Primers, related to STAR methods

UPL#65	CTGGAGGA
sFLC_UPL_F	GTGGGATCAAATGTCAAAAATG
sFLC_UPL_R	GGAGAGGCAGTCTCAAGGT
UBC_UPL_F	TCCTCTTAACTGCGACTCAGG
UBC_UPL_R	GCGAGGCGTGTATACATTTG
UPL#9	TGGTGATG

Table S3. VIN3 smFISH probes, related to STAR methods

Probe Number	Sequence 5'-3'	
1	TCTAAGGAGGAAACCCTCTG	
2	TTTCTGTGATGGATGGTTCT	
3	сттсететтсттсеттттт	
4	CGAAGCAGCTTGCATTTTT	
5	TTACCATCGAAACGCCAGAT	
6	AGAATCCATGTTCTCTGGAC	
7	TCTCCTTTCACTTACATTCA	
8	GGTTAGACAATGCGTGGATC	
9	TCAAAAGCTCCGAAGCTTCT	
10	CCATCTCAGCACATATGATC	
11	TAAGACCAGTGTACTTCCTT	

<sup>2.</sup> MacGregor et al. (2013)

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12	GATTCTCTATGAGCTTTGGT	
13	CGGTCAGAACAAGAGGTCTC	
14	GTAACCGATCATCTTCTTCT	
15	AGCAAGAACACCTTCTGCAA	
16	AGCCATAAACTAGGATCCTT	
17	AGACGATCCACAAGCATCAC	
18	TGCTTCAAACCACATTCCAA	
19	CCTACCATCAAGATCATCAC	
20	TATCTTTACCGCAATACGCG	
21	GTTCCAACAGATTCCGATAC	
22	AAGTCTATTGACGATGCCTC	
23	GAGAACACAGCTTCTGGACA	
24	AGATTCTGATGGTGAGACCA	
25	GCTTGAATCTCTTCTACTCT	
26	TCTACTCTCACAGTGACTGA	
27	ACCTGTGATCTTGTTTTGTG	
28	GTCCTTCGACTTTCGACAAA	
29	TGAGACAGAACTCGGTGTCG	
30	AAGTCACCTTCCTCGTTAAA	
31	ATCATCCTTCAACGTTGTGA	
32	CTTGAGTTTGTCAAAGGGCT	
33	TTGCTGCAGCTTTTATTGAC	
34	ACTACAGTGTTCAGTGTTGT	
35	TCTCTTCTTCAAGCTCAGAT	
36	GTTTGCTTTCCTCTTTACAA	
37	AAGCAAGTCTCTTCCATCTA	
38	AATATCTCTCTTGCAGGGTG	
39	TTGAATCTTTTATTCCCTCC	
40	GGCATTATTGATCTCAGGTT	
41	ATGACCCAAGTCTTTATCTC	
42	CTTGTCTATATGTCCTTCTT	
43	TGTCAAGAACCTTTCCCTAA	
44	CAACTCTTACTTCTCGGTGA	
45	TCCTCCATAAACGTCTCAAC	
46	CAAGCTGTTGTCCCAAAGAA	
47	CACCATTTGTCGATGATCTC	

Table S4. Model parameters, related to STAR methods

Name	Value	Units	Bounds	Fit based on data	
$d_V$	18	day <sup>-1</sup>	$d_V \ge 0$		
$S_1$	0.75	dimensionless	$0 \le S_1 \le 1$		
$T_L$	17	°C	$14 \le T_L \le 20$		
$d_L$	0.009	day <sup>-1</sup>	$d_L \ge 0$	LSCD model VIN3 spliced and unspliced	
$T_{C1}$	8	°C	$-10 \le T_{C1} \le T_{C2}$	RNA data: Hepworth <i>et al.</i> (2018) and <b>Fig. 2, 3, S6, S7.</b>	
$T_{C2}$	15.4	°C	$T_{C1} \le T_{C2} \le 30$		
$p_{C1}$	0.0315	dimensionless	$p_{C1} \ge p_{C2}$		
$p_{C2}$	0.0300	dimensionless	$0 \le p_{C2} \le p_{C1}$		
$p_D$	2.05	dimensionless	$0.7 \le p_D \le 3$		
$s_v$	$4.4d_V$	day <sup>-1</sup>	Not applicable	Fig. S5A	
$T_S$	15	°C	From the literature: Hepworth et al. (2018).		
$s_1$	0.016	day <sup>-1</sup>	$0 \le s_1 \le p_r$	VIN3-independent switch of FLC model FLC mRNA data for vin3-4, vrn2-1, vrn5-8 mutants: Yang et al. (2017) and Hepworth et al. (2018), Fig. 2,	
$T_{r1}$	11.5	°C	$-10 \le T_{r1} \le T_{r2}$		
$T_{r2}$	15	°C	$T_{r1} \le T_{r2} \le 30$		
$p_r$	0.05	day <sup>-1</sup>	$p_r \ge s_1$		
$p_f$	5.3	day <sup>-1</sup>	$p_f \ge 0$	S4, S8.	
$T_1$	-1	°C	$-10 \le T_1 \le T_2$	VIN3-dependent switch of <i>FLC</i> model <i>FLC</i> mRNA data for Col <i>FRI</i> <sup>SF2</sup> : Hepworth <i>et al.</i> (2018), Yang et al. (2017), Duncan et al. (2015), <b>Fig. 2, 4, S6, S9.</b>	
$T_2$	18	°C	$T_1 \le T_2 \le 30$		
$p_s$	0.0111	day <sup>-1</sup> (°C) <sup>-2</sup>	$p_s \ge 0$		
$p_{s3}$	0.1	dimensionless	$0 \le p_{s3} \le 1$		

Table S5. Parameters for AIC comparison, related to STAR methods

Name	Value for LCD	Value for LSCD	Units
$d_V$	24.3	29.0	day <sup>-1</sup>
$S_1$	-	0.749	dimensionless
$T_L$	17.9	17.1	°C
$d_L$	1.46	0.105	day <sup>-1</sup>
$T_{C1}$	18.4	18.2	°C
$T_{C2}$	20.2	20.8	°C
$p_{C1}$	1.49	1.17	dimensionless
$p_{C2}$	1.76	0.230	dimensionless
$p_D$	0.712	0.710	dimensionless
$s_v$	$4.4d_V$	$4.4d_V$	day <sup>-1</sup>
$T_S$	-	15	°C