## A class I cytosolic HSP20 of rice enhances heat and salt tolerance in different organisms

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## Supplementary materials

| Primers     | Sequences (5'-3')                                | Restriction   |
|-------------|--|---------------|
|             |  | sites         |
| YOs20-NF    | GGAATTC <u>CATATG</u> TCGCTGATCCGCCGC            | NdeI          |
| YOs20-NR    | CGC <u>GGATCC</u> CTACTTGAACACGTGCGCCTC          | <i>Bam</i> HI |
| Y-Os20-ACDF | GGAATTC <u>CATATG</u> TCCTCCGAGACCGCGGCC         | NdeI          |
| Y-Os20-ACDR | CGC <u>GGATCC</u> CTAGACGTCGGGCTTCTTGGC          | <i>Bam</i> HI |
| YOs20-CF    | GGAATTC <u>CATATG</u> CAGGAGGAGAAGACGGAC         | NdeI          |
| Y-Os20-CR   | CGC <u>GGATCC</u> CTAGCCGGAGATCTGGATGGA          | <i>Bam</i> HI |
| PE-Os20-NF  | C <u>GAGCTC</u> ATGTCGCTGATCCGCCGC               | SacI          |
| PEOs20-NR   | AAGGAAAAAA <u>GCGGCCGC</u> CTACTTGAACACGTGCGCCTC | NotI          |
| PEOs20-ACDF | C <u>GAGCTC</u> ATGTCCTCCGAGACCGCGGCC            | SacI          |
| PEOs20-ACDR | AAGGAAAAAA <u>GCGGCCGC</u> CTAGACGTCGGGCTTCTTGGC | NotI          |
| PEOs20-CF   | C <u>GAGCTC</u> ATGCAGGAGGAGAAGACGGAC            | SacI          |
| PEOs20-CR   | AAGGAAAAAA <u>GCGGCCGC</u> CTAGCCGGAGATCTGGATGGA | NotI          |
| Trs20-F     | CG <u>GAGCTC</u> ATGTCGCTGATCCGCCGCAG            | SacI          |
| Trs20-R     | CGC <u>GGATCC</u> TTAGCCGGAGATCTGGATGGAC         | <i>Bam</i> HI |

 Table S1 Primers used in plasmid construction

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Figure S1 Characterization of recombinant OsHSP20 in E. coli. (A) Heterologous expression of the intact OsHSP20 and its truncated proteins in E. coli assessed by SDS-PAGE analysis and Coomassie brilliant blue staining. Line M, protein molecular weight marker; Lane 1: whole cell lysate of noninduced cells containing the empty vector pET32a(+); Lane 2: whole cell lysate of cells containing the empty vector induced with 1 mM IPTG; Lane 3: whole cell lysate of cells containing pET32a-OsHSP20<sup>N</sup> induced with 1 mM IPTG; Lane 4: whole cell lysate of cells containing pET32a-OsHSP20<sup>ACD</sup> induced with 1 mM IPTG; Lane 5: whole cell lysate of cells containing pET32a-OsHSP20<sup>C</sup> induced with 1 mM IPTG; Lane 6: whole cell lysate of cells containing pET32a-OsHSP20<sup>N+ACD</sup> induced with 1 mM IPTG. Lane 7: whole cell lysate of cells containing pET32a-OsHSP20<sup>ACD+C</sup> induced with 1 mM IPTG. Lane 8: whole cell lysate of cells containing pET32a-OsHSP20<sup>Full</sup> induced with 1 mM IPTG. The induced proteins are indicated by black arrows. (B) Western blot analysis of purified recombinant OsHSP20 proteins using anti-His-tag monoclonal antibody. Antibodies were used in dilutions of 1:5000. Lane M, protein molecular weight marker; Lane 1, purified recombinant His-OsHSP20<sup>N</sup> protein; Lane 2, purified recombinant His-OsHSP20<sup>ACD</sup> protein; Lane 3, purified recombinant His-OsHSP20<sup>C</sup> protein; Lane 4, purified recombinant His-OsHSP20<sup>N+ACD</sup> protein; Lane 5, purified recombinant His-OsHSP20<sup>ACD+C</sup> protein; Lane 6, purified recombinant His-OsHSP20<sup>Full</sup> protein. The specific mass (in kDa) of the molecular weight markers is indicated on the left.

**Figure S2** Cell viability of *E. coli* BL21 containing the empty vector pET32a(+) and transformants grown on LB medium after treatment with heat (50 °C) (A) or salt (800 mM NaCl) (B) stresses for different times.

**Figure S3** Western blot analysis with an anti-HSP20 polyclonal antibody demonstrating the presence of the recombinant protein in the *P. pastoris* strain SMD1168 cells. Proteins were extracted from *P. pastoris* cell cultures that were cultivated in buffered methanol complex medium until the optical density at 600 nm (OD<sub>600</sub>) reached 1.4. Antibodies were used in dilutions of 1:5000. M, protein molecular weight marker - the specific mass (in kDa) of the molecular weight marker is indicated on the left; pPIC3.5K, SMD1168 cells carrying empty vector; N, SMD1168 cells carrying vector pPIC3.5K-OsHSP20<sup>N</sup>; ACD, SMD1168 cells carrying vector pPIC3.5K-OsHSP20<sup>ACD</sup>; C, SMD1168 cells carrying vector pPIC3.5K-OsHSP20<sup>N+ACD</sup>; ACD+C, SMD1168 cells carrying vector pPIC3.5K-OsHSP20<sup>ACD+C</sup>; Full, SMD1168 cells carrying vector pP

**Figure S4** qRT-PCR and western blot analysis of transgenic OsHSP20 rice lines. (A) qRT-PCR analysis. Total RNA was extracted from leaves of 4-week-old WT and T2 generation transgenic OsHSP20 rice. The *OsUBCE2* (LOC\_Os02g42314) gene was used as an internal control. (B) Western blot analysis using an anti-HSP20 polyclonal antibody. Proteins were extracted from leaves of 4-week-old WT and T2 generation transgenic OsHSP20 rice. Western blot analysis using anti-Actin monoclonal antibody was used as an internal control. Antibodies were used in dilutions of 1:5000. WT, wild-type; Ubi:OsHSP20-L5, -L16 and -L20, three transgenic rice lines.

**Figure S5** Integral blots of Figure 1E for detection of OsHSP20 in rice seedlings following heat stress (45 °C), in which the exposure time is 20 s for OsHSP20 protein (A) and 30 s for Actin (B).

**Figure S6** Integral blots of Figure 1F for detection of OsHSP20 in rice seedlings following salinity stress (50 mM NaCl), in which the exposure time is 150 s for OsHSP20 protein (A) and 30 s for Actin (B).

**Figure S7** Integral blots of Figure S4B for detection of OsHSP20 in transgenic rice plants, in which the exposure time is 30 s for both OsHSP20 protein (A) and Actin (B).





















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