



**Supplemental Figure S1.** A phylogenetic tree was constructed from the amino acid sequence of DXS from the following species : *Adonis aestivalis* (ABK35283.1) ; *Amomum villosum* (ACR02668.1) ; *Andrographis paniculata* (AAP14353.1) ; *Arabidopsis thaliana* (CLA1 At4g15560 ; DXS2 At3g21500; DXS3 AT5G11380); *Artemisia annua* (AAD56390.2) ; *Antirrhinum majus* (AAW28999.1) ; *Brassica rapa* (ABE60813.1) ; *Capsicum annuum* (CAA75778.1) ; *Catharanthus roseus* (DXS2.1 renamed DXS2A CAA09804.2, DXS2.2 renamed DXS2B ABI35993.1) ; *Chlamydomonas reinhardtii* (CAA07554.1) ; *Chrysanthemum x morifolium* (BAE79547.1) ; *Croton stellatopilosus* (BAF75640.1) ; *Deinococcus radiodurans* R1 (NP\_295198.1) ; *Elaeis guineensis* (AAS99588.1) ; *Glycine max* (ACO72582.1) ; *Ginkgo biloba* (DXS1 AAS89341.1, DXS2 AAR95699.1) ; *Gossypium barbadense* (ABN13970.1) ; *Hordeum vulgare* (BAJ94232.1, BAJ98888.1) ; *Hevea brasiliensis* (DXS1 clade AAS94123.1, DXS2 clade ABF18929.1; BAF98288.1) ; *Medicago truncatula* (DXS1, CAD22530.1, DXS2, CAN89181.1) ; *Mentha piperita* (AAC33513) ; *Morinda citrifolia* (AAL32062.1) ; *Narcissus pseudonarcissus* (CAC08458.1) ; *Narcissus tazetta* (ADD82535.1) ; *Nicotiana tabacum* (CBA12009.1) ; *Oryza sativa* (DXS1 NP\_001055524, DXS2 NP\_001059086, DXS3 clade BAD67657.1) ; *Ostreococcus lucimarinus* (XP\_001416190.1) ; *Physcomitrella patens* (XP\_001771607, XP\_001756357, XP\_001760423, XP\_001754004) ; *Picea abies* (ABS50519.1 ; ABS50518.1) ; *Picea sitchensis* (ACN39837.1) ; *Picrorhiza kurrooa* LAMIALES (ACB55417.1) ; *Pinus densiflora* (DXS1 ACC54557.1, DXS2 ACC54554.1) ; *Pinus taeda* (DXS1 ACJ67021.1, DXS2 ACJ67020.1) ; *Populus trichocarpa* (DXS1 XP\_002312717.1, DXS2 XP\_002303416.1, XP\_002331678.1, DXS3 XP\_002308644.1) ; *Pueraria montana* (AAQ84169.1) ; *Ricinus communis* (DXS1 XP\_002516843.1, DXS2 XP\_002533688.1, DXS3 XP\_002514364.1 ; DXS4 XP\_002532384.1) ; *Salvia miltiorrhiza* (DXS1 ACF21004.1, DXS2 ACQ66107.1) ; *Selaginella moellendorffii* (EFJ14322.1) ; *Sorghum bicolor* (XP\_002441088) ; *Solanum lycopersicum* (CAZ66648 ; AF143812\_1) ; *Solanum tuberosum* (DXS1 ADK73609.1) ; *Stevia rebaudiana* (ACI43010) ; *Taxus x media* (AAS89342.1) ; *Vitis vinifera* (DXS1, XP\_002277919 ; DXS2, XP\_002266925 ; DXS3, XP\_002271585 ; DXS4, XP\_002282428 ; DXS5, XP\_002270336 ; DXS6, XP\_002271782) ; *Zea mays* (DXS1 ABP88134.1, DXS2 : ABP88135.1, DXS3 ADN 22972). Note that *C. roseus* DXS2.1 and DXS2.2 have been renamed DXS2A and DXS2B in this tree.

Enzyme	Primer	Sequence (5' – 3')	Amplification
<b>DXS2.2</b>	DXS2forA	GGAGATAGTGTATTCTGTGGCCA	3' end with T7
	DXS2-rev1	CTATCTCCTCCCTTAATTCGTCAGC	5' end with M13 reverse
	DXS2-full-for	CGACGAGTACTCTAGCATTCCTATCCTC	Full-length ORF
	DXS2-full-rev	CCTAATTCACAAATTGTATTTCATCACCAAGTA	
<b>CMS</b>	CMS1	GGNCAGCCWATTGCHTTRTA	Internal cDNA fragment
	CMS3	TCATCRGGTGTHGTNACCTT	
	CMS7	AGCGGAGGATGTTGAGAAGGT	3' end with T7
	CMS5	TCAGGCATGCGGAGAAAGTA	5' end with M13 reverse
	CMS11	AGAAGATGTCAATCTCTCGGC	Full-length ORF
	CMS12	GAATTACTATGCAGAGATGGG	
<b>CMK</b>	CMKfor	CATGAYYTRGCITCHYITTTTCAT	Internal cDNA fragment
	CMKrev	GTTGCWGCATTRCTRCTYCCWCC	
	3CMKfor1	GGTTCATCTCGATAAAAAGGTGCC	3' end with T7
	5CMKrev1	GTTATCAGTGCCAGTCTTCTTCTAT	5' end with M13 reverse
	CMK-full-for	GGATAGACAAAAGGCATATCTTGAATG	Full-length ORF
	CMK-full-rev	TGGTTTTGGCATTATAACCATTTTC	
<b>HDR</b>	LytCR8	GAGCGTGCWGTYCARATTG	Internal cDNA fragment
	LytCR10	GAGCGTGCWGTYCARATTG	
	LytCR12	GATCCAGATGAGGATCTCAT	3' end with T7
	LytCR13	GATTGTGAATAATTCATTCGTA	5' end with M13 reverse
	HDR1	ACAATGGCAATCTCTCTCAA	Full-length ORF
	HDR2	AATCTATGCCAGTTGAAGGGC	

**Supplemental Table S1.** Details of primer sequences and cloning procedure used to amplify the *DXS2.2*, *CMS*, *CMK* and *HDR* cDNAs.

Enzyme	Primer sequence (5'-3')	Restriction site added	Plasmids <i>cloning sites</i>	Complemented <i>E. coli</i> strain
<b>DXS2.2</b>	<b>pQE-DXS2-Hindfor</b> GCAAGCTGTGCTGCTCATGGGCATGCT	<i>Hind</i> III	pQE-30 <i>Hind</i> III	EcAB4-2 (MG1655 <i>dxs::CAT</i> <i>MVA</i> +) )
	<b>pQE-DXS2-Hindrev</b> GCAAGCTTCTAAAAGTGGAGAAGCTGAAAGAG TATTCTT	<i>Hind</i> III		
<b>CMS</b>	<b>pQE-CMSBam</b> TCGGATCCGAGAAAAGTGTCTCGGTAATTCT	<i>Bam</i> HI	pQE-30 <i>Bam</i> HI- <i>Hind</i> III	EcAB4-7 (MG1655 <i>ygbP::CAT</i> <i>MVA</i> +) )
	<b>pQE-CMSHind</b> TCAAGCTTAGCAGAGATGGGATCAAATTC T	<i>Hind</i> III		
<b>CMK</b>	<b>pQE-CMKBam</b> ACGGATCCTGGAATAAGCTAGCTGATGAAGT A	<i>Bam</i> HI	pQE-30 <i>Bam</i> HI- <i>Kpn</i> I	EcAB4-9 (MG1655 <i>yhcB::CAT</i> <i>MVA</i> +) )
	<b>pQE-CMKKpn</b> TCGGTACCTTCAGAAGACTGGGAGAAGTCT	<i>Kpn</i> I		
<b>HDR</b>	<b>pQE-HDR-Bam2</b> GCGGATCCGAATTCGATGCTAAGAAATTCAG GCAC	<i>Bam</i> HI	pQE-30 <i>Bam</i> HI- <i>Hind</i> III	MG1655 <i>ara</i> <math>\Delta</math> <i>ispH</i>
	<b>pQE-HDR-Bam3</b> GCGGATCCGAACAGAGCACAGAGCTGATGAA C	<i>Bam</i> HI		
	<b>pQE-HDR-Hind</b> GCAAGCTTCTATGCCAGTTGAAGGGCTTCTCAC G	<i>Hind</i> III		

**Supplemental Table S2.** Details of primer sequences and cloning procedures used to express proteins for functional validation.

Enzyme	Primer	Séquence (5'-3')
DXS2.1	qDXS-up	TTGATGTAGGTATTGCCGAGCA
	qDXS-down	ACAATGAGTGGGTCCATCTGC
DXS2.2	qDXS2-up	GCTACAGTTGTGTATGCCCGA
	qDXS2-down	TTCAAAGCCAAGAAGTGTGCC
DXR	qDXR-up	GCAGCAAATGAGAAGGCAGTT
	qDXR-down	GGGCTCAAACCAAGACTGTTC
CMS	qCMS-up	GCAACTTTGTCTCCTCAGCATT
	qCMS-down	GCAACTTTGTCTCCTCAGCATT
CMK	qCMK-up	AAAGATTGAAGCAGCGTGTGC
	qCMK-down	AGAGGCTTCAGACAAGGAAACG
MECS	qMECS-up	TAGAGGATGCGAGGCTCACT
	qMECS-down	TCATAACCTGCCTCGTCCATC
HDS	qHDS-up	GTCCCTTACTGAACCTCCAGAG
	qHDS-down	AATCACCTGTCTGCGTTGG
HDR	qHDR-up	GATTGAGAGGACGATGATGCGT
	qHDR-down	AGTTCACCCCTCCAACGACT
RPS9 AJ749993	qRPS9-for	TTACAAGTCCCTTCGGTGGT
	qRPS9-rev	TTACAAGTCCCTTCGGTGGT

Supplemental Table S3. The sequence of primers used in the qRT-PCR analysis.

Enzyme	Primer sequence (5'-3')	Restriction site added	Plasmids cloning sites	Fusion protein
DXS2.1	<b>DXS-GFP-S</b> ATAGATCTTATGGCGGTTTCCGGGGCT	<i>Bgl</i> III	pSCA-cassette-GFPi pSCA-cassette-YFPi <i>Bgl</i> III- <i>Spe</i> I	DXS-GFP DXS-YFP
	<b>DXS-GFP-AS</b> CGACTAGTTTGAAGTTTAAGGGTTCT	<i>Spe</i> I		
DXS2.2	<b>DXS2-GFP-S</b> AGGCTAGCATGGCGGTGGCATCGAAT	<i>Nhe</i> I	pSCA-cassette-GFPi pSCA-cassette-YFPi <i>Spe</i> I	DXS2-GFP DXS2-YFP
	<b>DXS2-GFP-AS</b> CGGCTAGCAAACCTGGAGAAGTGAAGAG	<i>Nhe</i> I		
DXR	<b>DXR-GFP-S</b> GGAGATCTTATGGCTTTGAATTGCTGTCC	<i>Bgl</i> III	pSCA-cassette-GFPi pSCA-cassette-YFPi <i>Bgl</i> III- <i>Spe</i> I	DXR-GFP DXR-YFP
	<b>DXR-GFP-AS</b> GGACTAGTGGCAGGGCTCAAACCAAGACT	<i>Spe</i> I		
CMS	<b>CMS-GFP-S</b> CGAGATCTTATGTCAATTCTTCGGCTC	<i>Bgl</i> III	pSCA-cassette-GFPi <i>Bgl</i> III- <i>Spe</i> I	CMS-GFP
	<b>CMS-GFP-AS</b> CGACTAGTAGCAGAGATGGGATTCAA	<i>Spe</i> I		
CMK	<b>CMK-GFP-S</b> GCACTAGTATGGCTTCTCCTCAGTCTCTATG TGGT	<i>Spe</i> I	pSCA-cassette-GFPi <i>Spe</i> I	CMK-GFP
	<b>CMK-GFP-AS</b> GCACTAGTCTATTCAGAAGACTGGGAGAAGT CTGT	<i>Spe</i> I		
MECS	<b>MECS-GFP-S</b> TCAGATCTTATGGCTATGGCGACTTCT	<i>Bgl</i> III	pSCA-cassette-GFPi <i>Spe</i> I	MECS-GFP
	<b>MECS-GFP-AS</b> GCACTAGTCTTCTCATAAGAAGTAC	<i>Spe</i> I		
HDS	<b>HDS-GFP-S</b> GGAGATCTGATGGCACCAGGACAGTTC	<i>Bgl</i> III	pSCA-cassette-GFPi pSCA-cassette-YFPi <i>Bgl</i> III- <i>Spe</i> I	HDS-GFP HDS-YFP
	<b>HDS-GFP-AS</b> GGACTAGTGTCTTCTGCAGGAGGATCAACC	<i>Spe</i> I		
HDR	<b>HDR-GFP-S</b> GCAGATCTTATGGCAATCTCTCTCCAA	<i>Bgl</i> III	pSCA-cassette-GFPi <i>Bgl</i> III- <i>Spe</i> I	HDR-GFP
	<b>HDR-GFP-AS</b> TAACTAGTTGCCAGTTGAAGGGCTTC	<i>Spe</i> I		

Supplemental Table S4. Details of primer sequences and cloning procedure used to express full-length MEP pathway enzyme fused to FP.

Enzyme	Primer sequence (5'-3')	Restriction site added	Plasmids <i>cloning sites</i>	Fusion protein
DXS2.1	<b>DXS-GFP-S</b> ATAGATCTTATGGCGGTTTCCGGGGCT	<i>Bgl</i> II	pSCA-cassette-GFPi <i>Bgl</i> II- <i>Spe</i> I	tpDXS-GFP
	<b>peptideL-DXSrev</b> GCCTAGTTGCTCTAAGTTCTGCAGCGAGCT G	<i>Spe</i> I		
DXS2.2	<b>DXS2-GFP-S</b> AGGCTAGCATGGCGGTGGCATCGAAT	<i>Nhe</i> I	pSCA-cassette-GFPi <i>Spe</i> I	tpDXS2-GFP
	<b>peptideL-DXS2rev</b> GCGCTAGCGATGGTATCCAAAATAGGAGTAA AAGGCTT	<i>Nhe</i> I		
DXR	<b>DXR-GFP-S</b> GGAGATCTTATGGCTTTGAATTCGCTGTCC	<i>Bgl</i> II	pSCA-cassette-GFPi pSCA-cassette-YFPi <i>Bgl</i> II- <i>Spe</i> I	tpDXR-GFP tpDXR-YFP
	<b>peptideL-DXRrev</b> GCCTAGTATTCTCAGCAACTATATCTAGTG TCTG	<i>Spe</i> I		
HDS	<b>HDS-GFP-S</b> GGAGATCTGATGGCGACCGGAACAGTTC	<i>Bgl</i> II	pSCA-cassette-GFPi pSCA-cassette-YFPi <i>Bgl</i> II- <i>Spe</i> I	tpHDS-GFP tpHDS-YFP
	<b>peptideL-HDSrev</b> GCCTAGTGTCACTACCAAGGGCTACATTCC C	<i>Spe</i> I		

**Supplemental Table S5.** Details of primer sequences and cloning procedure used to fuse the first 100-residues of DXS2.1, DXS2.2, DXR and HDS to GFP.

Enzyme	Primer sequence (5'-3')	Restriction site added	Plasmids <i>cloning sites</i>	Fusion protein
DXR	<b>DXR-GFP-S</b> GGAGATCTTATGGCTTTGAATTCGCTGTCC	<i>Bgl</i> II	pSCA-cassette-YFPi <i>Bgl</i> II- <i>Spe</i> I	tpDXR(1-83)- YFP
	<b>peptideL-DXRrev2</b> GCCTAGTAACTATTGAAATGGGCTTCTGAC CTTC	<i>Spe</i> I		
	<b>DXR-C-for2</b> GCCTAGTGGCTCTACAGGCTCAGTAGGAAC TCAG	<i>Spe</i> I	pSCA-cassette-YFPi- tpDXR(1-83) <i>Nhe</i> I	Tp(1-83)-YFP- DXR(84-474)
HDS	<b>DXR-GFP-AS</b> GGACTAGTGGCAGGGCTCAAACCAAGACT	<i>Spe</i> I		
	<b>HDS-GFP-S</b> GGAGATCTGATGGCGACCGGAACAGTTC	<i>Bgl</i> II	pSCA-cassette-YFPi <i>Bgl</i> II- <i>Spe</i> I	tpHDS(1-100)- YFP
	<b>peptideL-HDSrev</b> GCCTAGTGTCACTACCAAGGGCTACATTCC C	<i>Spe</i> I		
	<b>HDS-C-for2</b> GCCTAGTATGGTTGGGAATGTAGCCCTGG TAGTGAC	<i>Spe</i> I	pSCA-cassette-YFPi- tpHDS(1-100) <i>Nhe</i> I	tp(1-100)-YFP- HDS(91-740)
<b>HDS-GFP-AS</b> GGACTAGTGTCTTCTGCAGGAGGATCAACC	<i>Spe</i> I			

**Supplemental Table S6.** Details of primer sequences and cloning procedures used to create internal YFP fusion for DXR and HDS.

Enzyme	Primer sequence (5'-3')	Restriction site added	Plasmids <i>cloning sites</i>	Fusion protein
CAB1	<b>CAB1-for</b> GCACTAGTATGGCCGCCTCAACAATGGC	<i>SpeI</i>	pSCA-cassette-CFPi <i>SpeI</i>	CAB-CFP
	<b>CAB1-rev</b> GCACTAGTCTTTCCGGGAACAAAGTTGGTGGC	<i>SpeI</i>		
TIC40	<b>TIC40-for</b> GCACTAGTATGGAGAACCTTACCCTAGTTCTTGCT	<i>SpeI</i>	pSCA-cassette-CFPi <i>SpeI</i>	TIC-CFP
	<b>TIC40-rev</b> GCACTAGTACCCGTCATTCCTGGGAAGAGC	<i>SpeI</i>		
CCD4	<b>CCD4-for</b> GCACTAGTATGGACTCTGTTTCTTCTTCTTCTTCC	<i>SpeI</i>	pSCA-cassette-CFPi <i>SpeI</i>	CCD4-CFP
	<b>CCD4-rev</b> GCACTAGTAAGCTTATTAAGGTCACTTTTCTTGACAAATAAC	<i>SpeI</i>		

**Supplemental Table S7.** Details of primer sequences and cloning procedures used to create plastid subcompartment CFP-markers of. The CAB1 (chlorophyll a/b binding protein 1, At1g29930), TIC40 (translocon at the inner envelope of chloroplasts, At5g16620), CCD4 (carotenoid cleavage dioxygenase 4, At4g19170) proteins of *A. thaliana* were used as a marker of thylakoid, inner membrane of plastid and plastoglobuli, respectively. The coding sequence of these proteins was amplified using retro-transcribed RNA extracted from *A. thaliana* as a matrix.



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