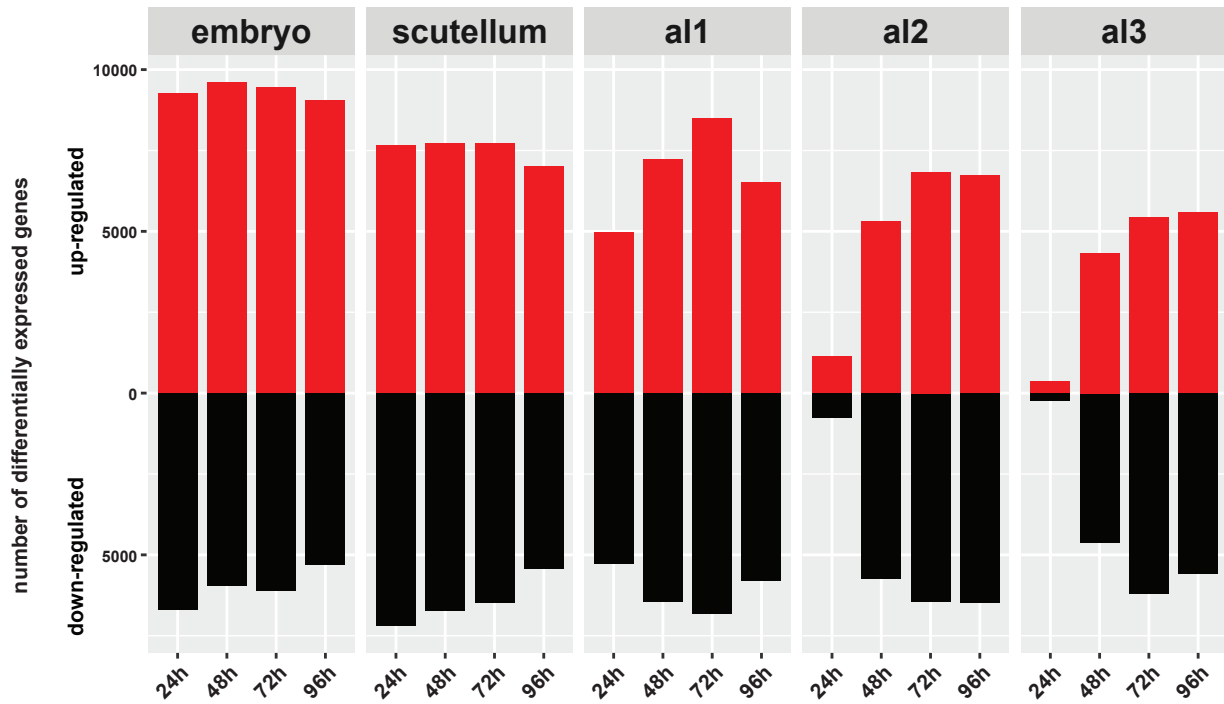


Supplementary Figure S1: Multi-dimensional scaling analysis of transcription patterns in five germinated grain tissues. Shown is a principle component analysis for the five tissues and five time points analysed based on the transcript abundances (transcripts per million, TPM) determined by the RNA-seq experiment. Abbreviations: al1, al2, al3, aleurone proximal, central, distal sections, respectively; em, embryo; sc, scutellum.



Supplementary Figure S2: Numbers of differentially expressed genes (DEGs). The bar chart shows the number of differentially up- or downregulated genes in the five analysed tissues relative to the 0 h time point. Abbreviations: al1, al2, al3, aleurone proximal, central, distal sections, respectively.

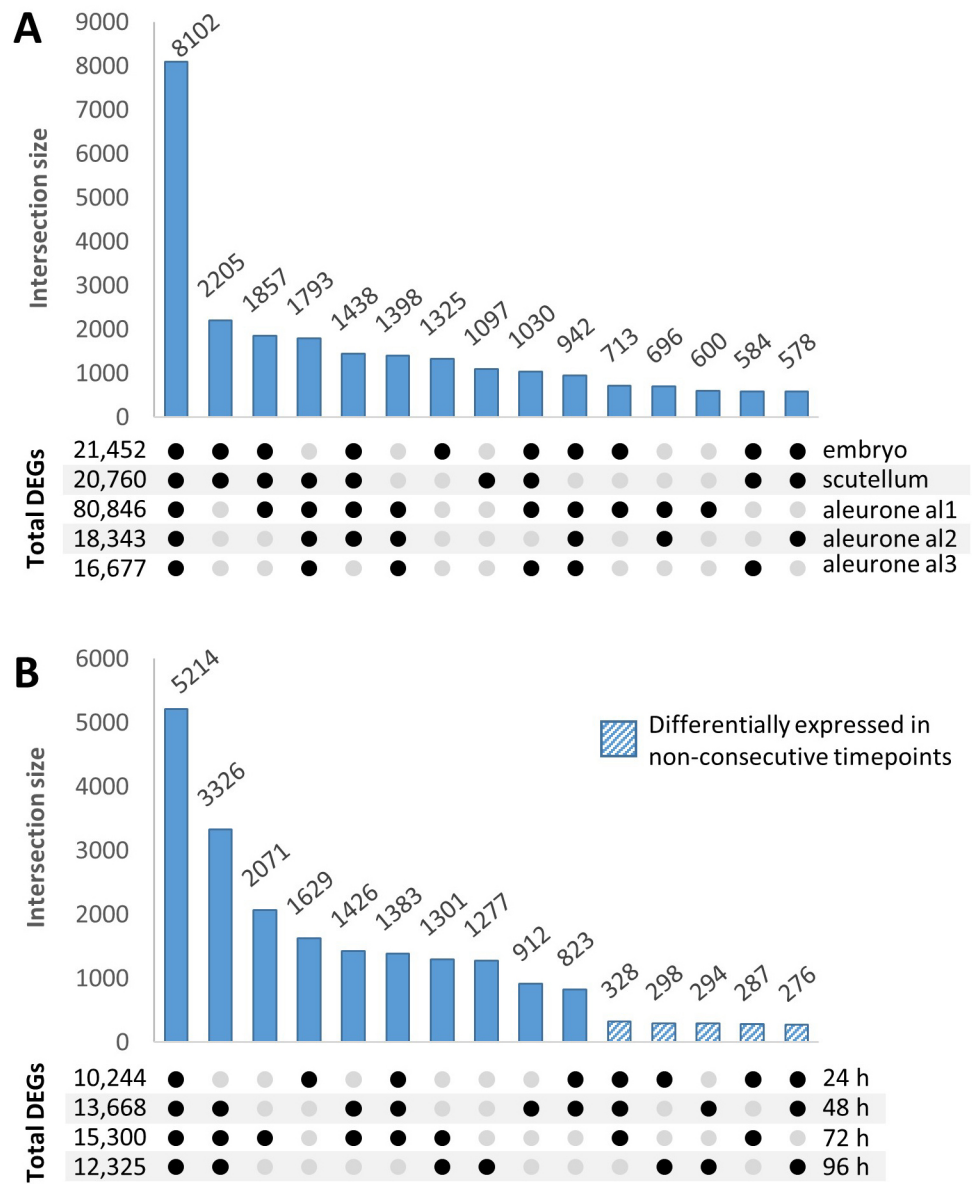
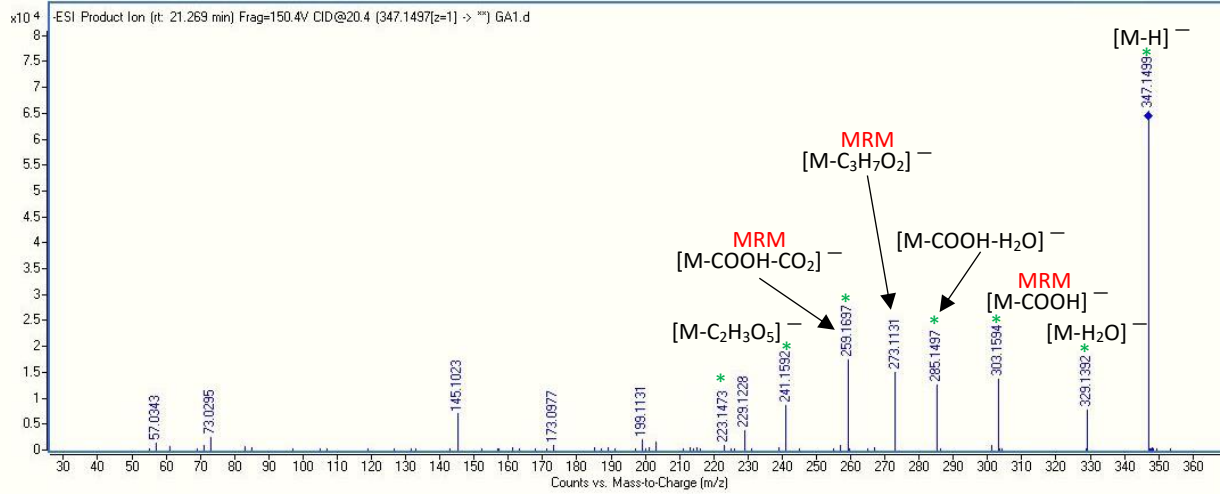


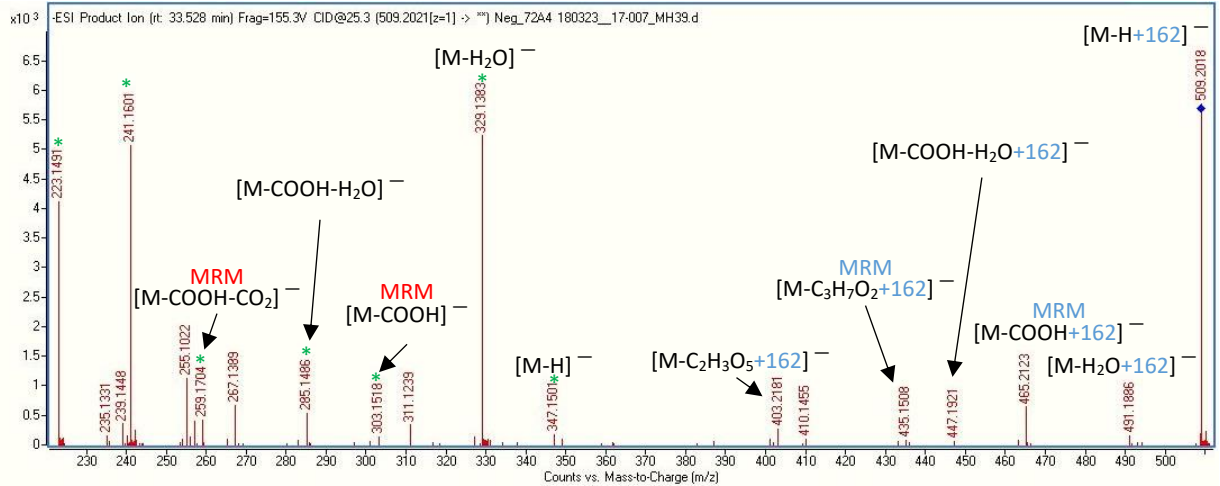
Figure S3. Overlaps in differentially expressed genes (DEGs) between tissues (A) and across the 96 h time course (B) of the aleurone a1 tissue.

Supplementary Figure S4 Mass spectra of standard GA₁ and GA₃, together with spectra for the corresponding GA₁-G and GA₃-G glycosides. Mass ions common to the GA and its corresponding GA-glycoside are indicated with green asterisks. Ions characteristic of established m/z transitions for each hormone are labelled (Chiwocha *et al.*, 2003; Urbanová *et al.*, 2013; Delatorre *et al.*, 2017). MRM denotes multiple reaction monitoring.

GA₁ standard

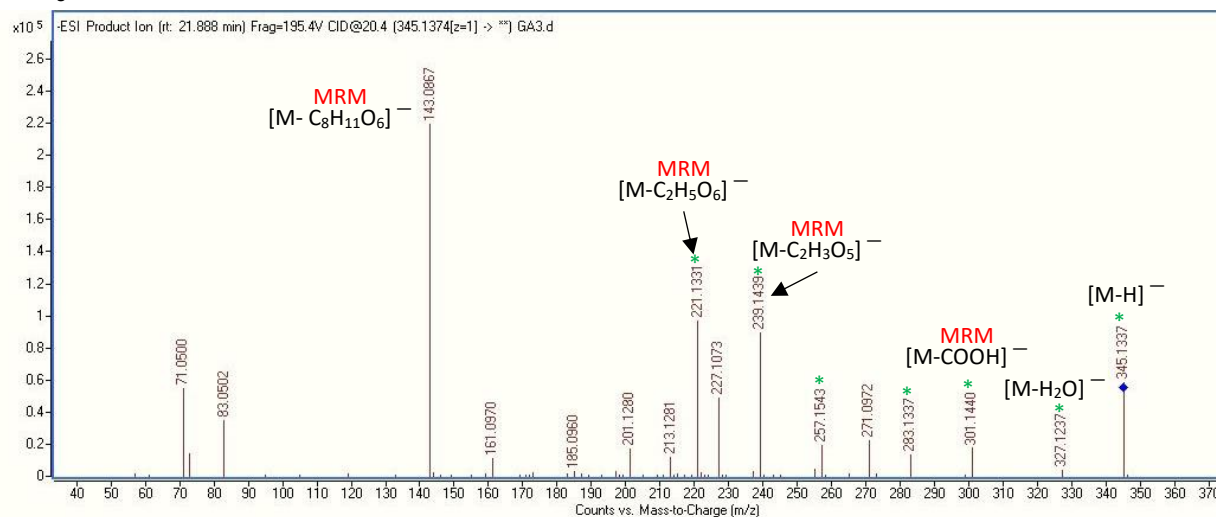


GA₁-G (Δ=162)

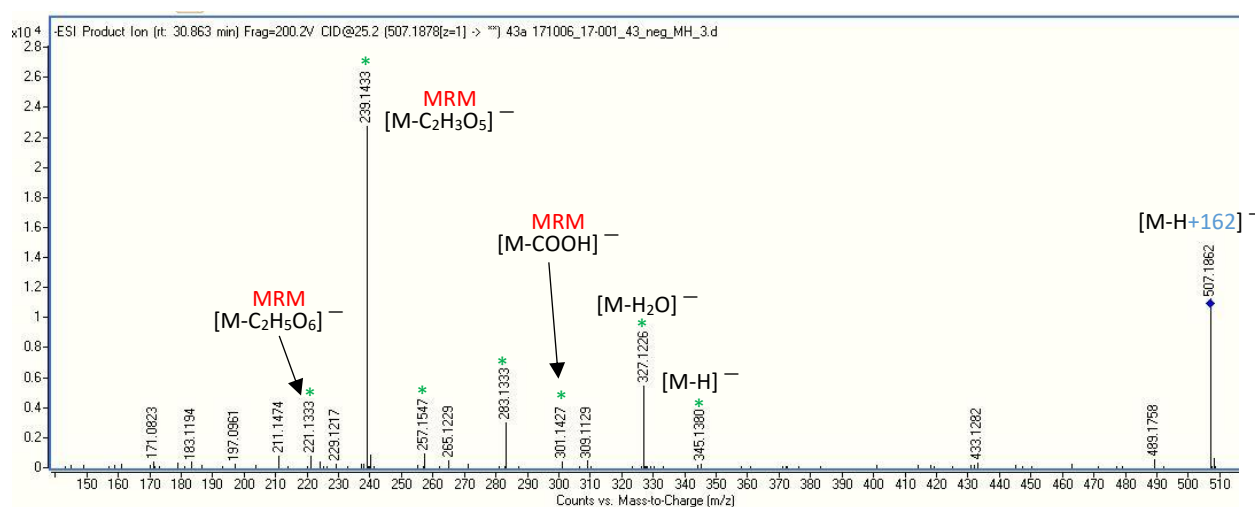


* Common peaks in both spectra

GA₃ standard



GA₃-G ($\Delta=162$)



Footnote: The molecular ions (M-H⁻) of the glycosides correspond to the molecular ions of GA₁ and GA₃ plus 162 (509 and 507). The 162 mass unit is the precise size of the anhydro-hexose that is linked to the individual GAs. The hexose unit might be glucose, galactose or mannose, but we conclude that the weight of evidence in the literature strongly suggests it will be glucose. Further, typical GA and glycosyl fragmentation patterns are observed in both the glycosylated and unglycosylated forms.

The presence of the m/z ions of 239 and 241 for GA₃ and GA₁, respectively, is predicted to correspond to the molecular ion of the GAs, minus C₂H₃O₅ (m/z 107). Because these m/z 239 and m/z 241 ions are found in both the glycosylated and non-glycosylated spectra, it can be concluded that these fragments do not contain a glycosyl residue. Furthermore, the MRM ions of [M-C₂H₃O₅]⁻ in both the GA and glycoside spectra is consistent with the loss of two COOH groups and one OH group. Given that both GA₁ and GA₃ contain only six O atoms (Figure 4), it might be argued that removal of five O atoms in these m/z 239 and 241 ions suggests the glycosyl residues are attached in glycosidic linkage to the single remaining O atom of a OH group rather than as an ester linkage to a COOH group.

The consistent difference of two mass units in many of the GA-conjugate fragments indicates that these fragments are from the end of the molecule that contains the double bond that differentiates GA₁ from GA₃ (Figure 4). Hence, it might be argued that the glycosyl residue is conjugated to the 3-OH, rather than the 13-OH. However, caution must be taken in coming to this conclusion, which awaits confirmation through the analyses of standard GA₁-G and GA₃-G; neither are currently available.