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Figure S2. Cluster size plotted against coordinates. Accessions were restricted to the 56 with longitude and latitude data. Size and colour correspond to rank in terms of cluster size, with the largest, lightest circle representing the accession with the largest number of NB-ARC domains assigned to each cluster.

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Figure S3. Normalised read depth of cluster NB-ARC homologues in 17 *A. lyrata* **accessions.** Short-read from whole genome shotgun sequencing generated by Novikova et al. (2016) were mapped to the reference *A. lyrata* genome and normalised read depth (nRD) was estimated using CNVnator (Abyzov et al., 2011). For all *A. lyrata* homologues assigned to each NLR NB-ARC domain in the reference *A. thaliana* genome Col-0, their nRD was summed per accession and plotted as a single point, grouped by the cluster to which the NB-ARC domain belongs in Col-0. The number of Col-0 domains with homologues in the *A. lyrata* reference genome is given for each cluster. Accessions that belong to subspecies lyrata and petraea are shown in red and black respectively.

Figure S4. NB-ARC clade of paired genes showing CNV conservation. Reference *A. thaliana* (accession Col-0) and *A. lyrata* domains are marked with a cyan and red circle respectively. Clades are coloured by cluster.

Figure S5. Number of NB-ARC and TIR homologues by gene across all 64 accessions (left y-axis), grouped by closest Col-0 homologue, and ordered by position in genome, including a box plot with outliers in grey circles of copy number in each accession (right y-axis). Singletons are in grey. Black bars mark genes with identical NB-ARC sequences, red rings represent the number of accessions each gene is found in (left y-axis), and red numbers indicate the number of NB-ARC or TIR domains in genes with more than or fewer than 1 NB-ARC or TIR domain. Dashed line marks 1N = 64 and dotted line marks 2N = 128 along the left y-axis, and one copy and two copies of NB-ARC domains respectively per gene along the right y-axis, where N is the number of *A. thaliana* accessions surveyed.

Figure S7. Bootstrap confidence of phylogenetic trees shown in Figure 6. Top to bottom: clusters *DM2*/*RPP1*, *RPP13*, and *DM4*/*RPP8*. Edges are coloured by bootstrap confidence. Terminal edges without bootstrap values are in grey. Col-0 sequences are indicated with cyan circles.

Supplementary Methods

Bait selection

In addition to all 159 NLRs discovered by (Guo et al., 2011), the final bait set included: AT1G17920 and AT1G17930, two genes located physically within the B5 cluster that encode truncated NB-ARC domains reported to have unusual P-loop motifs (Bonardi et al., 2012); AT1G63860, a TIR-containing resistance gene known as *RLM1D* that lacks an NB-ARC domain in most accessions (including Col-0) and is found within the B1 cluster (Peele et al., 2014); AT5G45220, which lacks an NB-ARC domain but contains duplicated TIR domains and is located within the *RPS4* cluster (Meyers et al., 2002), and AT5G45490, a gene encoding both a coiled-coil domain and an NB-ARC domain (Tan et al., 2007). The *RPP13* cluster was defined by high sequence similarity between *RPP13*, which is primarily considered a singleton (Bittner-Eddy et al., 2000), and a nearby cluster of two genes consisting of AT3G46710 and AT3G4673 (Rose et al., 2004). The *DM2*/*RPP1* cluster was curated based on sequence similarities between the genes of two neighbouring clusters (Chae et al., 2014). The *DM4*/*RPP8* cluster was defined using Uniprot annotation that cited AT5G35450 and AT5G48620 as being RPP8-like.

Supplementary Results

B5 cluster P+ domain absence in more than half of accessions

AT1G72840, with twice the number of NB-ARC homologues as the other genes in the P+ group, may appear to be the exception, but an inspection of the domain tree of the B5 cluster revealed that two distinct paralogues were assigned to this gene due to the absence of the other paralogue in the reference Col-0 genome.

Explanation of specific trends in *DM4***/***RPP8* **decay plot**

The radiating clade (purple) splits off from the high-fidelity clades after the first iteration, resulting in the s.d. being halved from 0.00651 for the clade of the whole cluster to 0.00304 for just the radiating clade. The mean, which experienced only a slight drop from 0.00233 to 0.00227, is noticeably less affected by the split. Consistent with a clade that lacks distinct sub-clades, both mean and s.d. decay gradually after it split off from the rest of the cluster. On the other hand, the s.d. of the two high-fidelity clades (green) jumped briefly to 0.00949 due to the merging of the branch from the most basal division leading to the radiating clade and one high-fidelity clade with the branch leading to the high-fidelity clade that is sister to the radiating clade, before plummeting nearly 20-fold to 0.00053 and 0.00055 when the second iteration separated the two high-fidelity clades from each other. The mean of the high-fidelity clades exhibits the expected pattern of rapid decay to 0.00034 and 0.00046 after the second iteration when the clades are finally separated. Both mean and s.d. of highfidelity clades remain low and decay gradually after the second iteration. Based on Fig. 6D, sequences assigned to AT5G35450 clearly form two distinct clades, and the sequences assigned to AT5G43470 and AT5G48620 are not easily separated from each other.

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