

Supplementary Material

Table S1: Summary of the main environmental variables under high and low humidity. Plant age refers to the average age at which the plants were measured. Day length was set for the growth room while the greenhouse received the natural photoperiod of sunlight. Due to a non-transparent wall on the west side, the sunset in the greenhouse occurred approximately one hour earlier than the astronomical sunset. All other values are given as daily averages (\pm SE) and the main differences between the two growing conditions are highlighted in bold.

Environmental Factor	High Humidity	Low Humidity
Average plant age at time of measurement (d)	30.0	31.9
Day length (h)	10 (controlled)	12-13 (astronomical)
PAR ($\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)	500 ± 24	690 ± 37
Vpd during the day/night (kPa)	$1.10 \pm 0.07 / 0.21 \pm 0.07$	$2.24 \pm 0.05 / 1.10 \pm 0.05$
Relative humidity during the day/night (%)	$51.3 \pm 1.8 / 75 \pm 1.8$	$22.3 \pm 1.3 / 40 \pm 1.3$
Air temperature day/night ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)	$25.9/20.0 \pm 0.1$	$25.1/21.0 \pm 0.1$

Table S2: Gas exchange data and variables calculated from the A-response curves under HH and LH conditions. Means and SE are presented with significant differences compared to the WT indicated where the overall effect of genotype in the ANOVA was significant ($p < 0.05$). A_{net} – net photosynthetic rate, c_a – atmospheric CO₂ concentration, c_c – CO₂ concentration at the site of carboxylation, c_i – intercellular CO₂ concentration, E – whole-plant transpiration, g_m – mesophyll conductance of CO₂, g_{min} – minimum conductance, g_s – stomatal conductance, HH – high humidity, θ – degree of curvature of a light response curve, J_{max} – maximum rate of electron transport, LCP – light compensation point, LH – low humidity, Q75% A_{sat} – irradiance at which 75% of the saturating rate of photosynthesis is reached, R_d – respiration in the light, RWC – relative water content, V_{cmax} – maximum rate of carboxylation, Vpd – vapour pressure deficit, ϕ – quantum efficiency, WT – wild type

Variable	WT	2;2	2;4	2;5	2;2x2;4	2;4x2;5	2;2x2;4x2;5
A_{net} LH ($\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)	10.72 ± 0.78	12.17 ± 1.14	13.86 ± 1.14 ($p = 0.010$)	10.10 ± 1.29	12.36 ± 1.14	13.06 ± 1.10 ($p = 0.041$)	11.56 ± 1.14
A_{net} HH ($\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)	16.26 ± 1.00	17.18 ± 1.34	15.51 ± 1.34	15.10 ± 1.41	17.17 ± 1.25	17.61 ± 1.22	17.37 ± 1.29
g_s LH ($\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)	0.124 ± 0.017	0.156 ± 0.026	0.179 ± 0.026 ($p = 0.037$)	0.127 ± 0.029	0.176 ± 0.026 ($p = 0.049$)	0.193 ± 0.025 ($p = 0.008$)	0.156 ± 0.026
g_s HH ($\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)	0.290 ± 0.034	0.370 ± 0.046 ($p = 0.089$)	0.303 ± 0.046	0.329 ± 0.048	0.375 ± 0.043 ($p = 0.055$)	0.357 ± 0.042	0.366 ± 0.044 ($p = 0.091$)
g_m LH ($\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1} \text{bar}^{-1}$)	0.135 ± 0.036	0.145 ± 0.036	0.170 ± 0.043	0.091 ± 0.028	0.179 ± 0.040	0.146 ± 0.043	0.159 ± 0.036
g_m HH ($\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1} \text{bar}^{-1}$)	0.118 ± 0.012	0.126 ± 0.012	0.111 ± 0.012	0.107 ± 0.009	0.110 ± 0.011	0.127 ± 0.011	0.131 ± 0.012
IWUE LH ($\mu\text{mol mol}^{-1}$)	89.415 ± 5.693	80.644 ± 8.379	77.316 ± 8.379	83.346 ± 9.440	77.317 ± 8.379	70.540 ± 8.051 ($p = 0.025$)	75.459 ± 8.379
IWUE HH ($\mu\text{mol mol}^{-1}$)	57.671 ± 4.405	46.860 ± 5.910	51.577 ± 5.910	45.994 ± 6.230	47.148 ± 5.522	51.092 ± 5.395	49.164 ± 5.687
g_{min} ($\text{mmol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)	5.55 ± 0.28	5.90 ± 0.41	5.37 ± 0.42	5.75 ± 0.41	5.45 ± 0.40	5.93 ± 0.40	6.29 ± 0.40
Vpd in cuvette LH (kPa)	2.296 ± 0.143	2.430 ± 0.210	2.157 ± 0.210	2.586 ± 0.236	2.009 ± 0.210	2.034 ± 0.202	2.331 ± 0.210
Vpd in cuvette HH (kPa)	1.201 ± 0.082	1.050 ± 0.109	1.165 ± 0.109	1.092 ± 0.115	1.039 ± 0.102	1.127 ± 0.100	1.071 ± 0.105
V_{cmax}	58.75 ± 3.42	56.48 ± 4.33	56.44 ± 4.33	58.04 ± 5.07	52.14 ± 5.41	54.48 ± 5.41	57.05 ± 5.07

($\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)							
J_{max} ($\mu\text{Eq m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)	132.25 ± 6.91	122.90 ± 8.74	122.47 ± 8.74	128.76 ± 10.25	112.89 ± 10.93	122.44 ± 10.93	128.19 ± 10.25
c_c inflection (μmol)	529.89 ± 30.61	496.52 ± 38.72	489.46 ± 38.72	506.34 ± 45.40	490.18 ± 48.40	537.99 ± 48.40	537.26 ± 45.40
c_i/c_a * ($\mu\text{mol } \mu\text{mol}^{-1}$)	0.82 ± 0.03	0.80 ± 0.03	0.80 ± 0.03	0.81 ± 0.04	0.80 ± 0.04	0.81 ± 0.04	0.82 ± 0.04
c_i/c_a ** ($\mu\text{mol } \mu\text{mol}^{-1}$)	0.79 ± 0.01	0.78 ± 0.01	0.78 ± 0.01	0.75 ± 0.01 ($p = 0.008$)	0.77 ± 0.01	0.75 ± 0.01 ($p = 0.013$)	0.74 ± 0.01 ($p < 0.001$)
RWC HH (%)	93.29 ± 0.54	93.67 ± 0.79	93.95 ± 0.80	93.12 ± 0.79	93.83 ± 0.77	93.20 ± 0.78	94.10 ± 0.77
Leaf mass area (mg cm^{-2})	3.279 ± 0.122	3.003 ± 0.178	3.283 ± 0.181	3.080 ± 0.178	3.130 ± 0.173	3.125 ± 0.175	3.054 ± 0.173
$A_{\text{sat LH}}$ ($\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)	21.68 ± 1.09	23.22 ± 1.60	24.82 ± 1.60 ($p = 0.058$)	20.05 ± 1.80	22.80 ± 1.60	23.10 ± 1.54	21.95 ± 1.60
$A_{\text{sat HH}}$ ($\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)	24.17 ± 0.70	21.07 ± 0.99 ($p = 0.003$)	22.36 ± 0.99	22.45 ± 1.01	20.92 ± 0.99 ($p = 0.002$)	22.08 ± 0.99 ($p = 0.038$)	23.21 ± 0.96
ϕ LH (mol mol^{-1})	0.080 ± 0.004	0.078 ± 0.005	0.086 ± 0.005	0.067 ± 0.006 ($p = 0.026$)	0.076 ± 0.005	0.089 ± 0.005	0.079 ± 0.005
ϕ HH (mol mol^{-1})	0.052 ± 0.002	0.052 ± 0.003	0.052 ± 0.003	0.052 ± 0.003	0.051 ± 0.003	0.053 ± 0.003	0.052 ± 0.003
R_d LH ($\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)	1.47 ± 0.13	1.83 ± 0.19	1.79 ± 0.19	1.81 ± 0.21	1.41 ± 0.19	1.52 ± 0.18	1.45 ± 0.18
R_d HH ($\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)	2.40 ± 0.09	2.06 ± 0.13 ($p = 0.014$)	2.23 ± 0.17	2.27 ± 0.14	2.07 ± 0.13 ($p = 0.015$)	2.25 ± 0.13	2.32 ± 0.13
θ LH	0.564 ± 0.063	0.568 ± 0.092	0.579 ± 0.092	0.551 ± 0.104	0.566 ± 0.092	0.515 ± 0.092	0.660 ± 0.092
θ HH	0.767 ± 0.019	0.785 ± 0.026	0.771 ± 0.026	0.759 ± 0.027	0.749 ± 0.026	0.737 ± 0.026	0.780 ± 0.026
LCP LH ($\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)	18.90 ± 1.62	24.43 ± 2.39 ($p = 0.027$)	21.67 ± 2.39	28.86 ± 2.69 ($p < 0.001$)	19.26 ± 2.39	17.77 ± 2.30	18.89 ± 2.39
LCP HH ($\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)	47.88 ± 2.53	42.58 ± 3.58	44.39 ± 3.58	45.39 ± 3.68	42.57 ± 3.58	44.39 ± 3.58	46.83 ± 3.50
Q75%$A_{\text{sat LH}}$ ($\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)	652.57 ± 62.98	743.50 ± 92.70	703.37 ± 92.70	844.03 ± 104.44	709.22 ± 92.70	729.67 ± 89.06	565.59 ± 92.70
Q75%$A_{\text{sat LH}}$ ($\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)	929.81 ± 53.72	784.26 ± 75.97	848.39 ± 75.97	883.68 ± 78.05	854.54 ± 75.97	915.76 ± 75.97	877.50 ± 74.23

E LH (ml cm ⁻²)	1.15 ± 0.07	1.41 ± 0.09 (<i>p</i> = 0.005)	1.38 ± 0.09 (<i>p</i> = 0.014)	1.11 ± 0.09	1.26 ± 0.09	1.14 ± 0.10	1.29 ± 0.10
E HH (ml cm ⁻²)	0.37 ± 0.04	0.38 ± 0.06	0.38 ± 0.06	0.37 ± 0.06	0.36 ± 0.06	0.37 ± 0.06	0.37 ± 0.06
Final leaf area LH (cm ⁻²)	12.6 ± 1.7	13.5 ± 2.3	16.1 ± 2.4	15.2 ± 2.3	14.1 ± 2.3	14.5 ± 2.4	11.4 ± 2.4
Final leaf area HH (cm ⁻²)	37.4 ± 1.1	33.4 ± 1.5 (<i>p</i> = 0.011)	31.1 ± 1.6 (<i>p</i> < 0.001)	34.0 ± 1.5 (<i>p</i> = 0.031)	33.8 ± 1.5 (<i>p</i> = 0.021)	35.9 ± 1.5	36.1 ± 1.5

c_i/c_a **low CO₂ end of A - c_i curve; c_i/c_a *** high CO₂ end of A - c_i curve.

Table S3: Two-Way-ANOVA tables for whole-plant transpiration and leaf area

Whole-plant transpiration in terms of cumulative leaf area				
	Sum of Squares	Df	F-value	<i>p</i> -value
Line	0.611	6	3.588	0.002
Treatment	37.139	1	11308.689	< 0.001
Line:Treatment	0.614	6	3.606	0.002
Residuals	5.080	179		
	Estimate	Std. Error	<i>t</i> -value	<i>p</i> -value
WT (Intercept)	0.370	0.043	8.508	< 0.001
<i>pip2</i> ;2	0.379	0.061	0.141	0.888
<i>pip2</i> ;4	0.379	0.063	0.144	0.885
<i>pip2</i> ;5	0.371	0.062	0.012	0.991
<i>pip2</i> ;2x2;4	0.356	0.062	-0.230	0.818
<i>pip2</i> ;4x2;5	0.365	0.062	-0.075	0.940
<i>pip2</i> ;2x2;4x2;5	0.371	0.062	0.018	0.986
WT (Treatment LH)	1.150	0.069	11.339	< 0.001
<i>pip2</i> ;2:Treatment LH	1.414	0.092	2.858	0.005
<i>pip2</i> ;4:Treatment LH	1.385	0.095	2.484	0.014
<i>pip2</i> ;5:Treatment LH	1.111	0.093	-0.424	0.672
<i>pip2</i> ;2x2;4:Treatment LH	1.264	0.092	1.239	0.217
<i>pip2</i> ;4x2;5:Treatment LH	1.137	0.096	-0.131	0.896
<i>pip2</i> ;2x2;4x2;5:Treatment LH	1.286	0.096	1.419	0.158
Total leaf area at 30 days				
	Sum of Squares	Df	F-value	<i>p</i> -value
Line	424.6	6	3.948	< 0.001
Treatment	26068.2	1	11454.259	< 0.001
Line:Treatment	98.3	6	0.914	0.486
Residuals	3208.7	179		
	Estimate	Std. Error	<i>t</i> -value	<i>p</i> -value
WT (Intercept)	37.355	1.093	34.171	< 0.001
<i>pip2</i> ;2	33.423	1.522	-2.584	0.011
<i>pip2</i> ;4	31.060	1.573	-4.001	< 0.001
<i>pip2</i> ;5	33.989	1.546	-2.177	0.031
<i>pip2</i> ;2x2;4	33.753	1.546	-2.330	0.021
<i>pip2</i> ;4x2;5	35.866	1.546	-0.963	0.337
<i>pip2</i> ;2x2;4x2;5	36.052	1.546	-0.843	0.400
WT (Treatment LH)	12.615	1.729	-14.313	< 0.001
<i>pip2</i> ;2:Treatment LH	13.454	2.321	0.362	0.718
<i>pip2</i> ;4:Treatment LH	16.114	2.376	1.473	0.143
<i>pip2</i> ;5:Treatment LH	15.224	2.337	1.116	0.266
<i>pip2</i> ;2x2;4:Treatment LH	14.119	2.319	0.649	0.517
<i>pip2</i> ;4x2;5:Treatment LH	14.469	2.411	0.769	0.443
<i>pip2</i> ;2x2;4x2;5:Treatment LH	11.422	2.411	-0.495	0.622

Table S4: Primers used in this study

Yeast Transformation	
Gene	Primer
AtβCA1	For: 5'- GGGGACAAGTTTGTACAAAAAAGCAGGCTTCATGGGAACCGA AGCATAC-3'
AtβCA1	Rev: 5'- GGGGACCACTTTGTACAAGAAAGCTGGGTCTACAGAGCTAGTT TCGGA-3'
GTAAtPIP2-5	For: 5'- GGGGACAAGTTTGTACAAAAAAGCAGGCTTCATGACGAAGGA AGTGGTTGG-3'
GT AtPIP2-5	Rev: 5' - GGGGACCACTTTGTACAAGAAAGCTGGGTCTTAAACGTGAGGC TGGCTCC-3'
AtPIP2-5qPCR	For: 5'- TCGCATGGGCCTTTGG-3'
AtPIP2-5qPCR	Rev: 5'- GCCGGCGGTGCAGTAG-3'
AtβCA1qPCR	For: 5'- CAATGTGGCCGATGTGAAAG-3'
AtβCA1qPCR	Rev: 5'- CAGAGCTAGTTTCGGAGAG-3'
ScACT1	For: 5'- AGAGTTGCCCCAGAAGAACA-3'
ScACT1	Rev: 5'- GGCTTGGATGGAAACGTAGA-3'
Gene Expression	
PIP Gene	Primer
PIP1;1 (At3g61430)	For: 5'- TCTTAACCCAAAGGCCAACA-3'
PIP1;1 (At3g61430)	Rev: 5'- CAGAATCCAGCACAAATACCG-3'
PIP1;2 (At2g45960)	For: 5'- TGGGATGACCACTGGGTGTTT-3'
PIP1;2 (At2g45960)	Rev: 5'- GGGATGGCTCTGATGACAACC-3'
PIP1;3 (At1g01620)	For: 5'- CTTCCGTCGGAATCCAAGGT-3'
PIP1;3 (At1g01620)	Rev: 5'- CGTGTGAGCGAAAGCTTCCT-3'
PIP1;4 (At4g00430)	For: 5'- GGAATCTCTGGTGGGCACAT-3'
PIP1;4 (At4g00430)	Rev: 5'- CTCCGAGACATTGCATCACG-3'
PIP1;5 (At4g23400)	For: 5'- TGGGATGACCATTGGATTTT-3'
PIP1;5 (At4g23400)	Rev: 5'- TCTGGACCGTGGAATCTTTC-3'
PIP2;1 (At3g53420)	For: 5'- GCTGGAATCTCAGGAGGACATATT-3'
PIP2;1 (At3g53420)	Rev: 5'- AGCTCCAAGGCACTGCATTACT-3'
PIP2;2 (At2g37170)	For: 5'- TAGATTGCGGCGGAGTTGGA-3'
PIP2;2 (At2g37170)	Rev: 5'- CGCTGGGTTAATGTGACCACCA-3'
PIP2;3 (At2g37180)	For: 5'- CAAAGACGTGGAAGGACCTGAG-3'

PIP2;3 (At2g37180)	Rev: 5′ - ACTTGGTAAGCTCGTCCGCA-3′
PIP2;4 (At5g60660)	For: 5′ - TTCGACGCAGAGGAGCTTAC-3′
PIP2;4 (At5g60660)	Rev: 5′ - GCTACGAACTCGGCGATGACT-3′
PIP2;5 (At3g54820)	For: 5′ - CCGATGGCTACAACAAAGGT-3′
PIP2;5 (At3g54820)	Rev: 5′ - CACGTGAGAGTCACGAGCAT-3′
PIP2;6 (At2g39010)	For: 5′ - TGGTGGGCATATTAATCCGGCAGT-3′
PIP2;6 (At2g39010)	Rev: 5′ - TGACCAAAGCCACACCACAAATGG-3′
PIP2;7 (At4g35100)	For: 5′ - GGCATCTCTGGTGGACACATC-3′
PIP2;7 (At4g35100)	Rev: 5′ - CAACTCCACAAGTGGCTCCG-3′
PIP2;8 (At2g16850)	For: 5′ - CGTGGGATGACCAATGGATC-3′
PIP2;8 (At2g16850)	Rev: 5′ - TGC GTTGCTTCGGAACGAG-3′
Reference Gene	
YLS8 (At5g08290)	For: 5′ - TTACTGTTTCGGTTGTTCTCCATTT-3′
YLS8 (At5g08290)	Rev: 5′ - CACTGAATCATGTTCGAAGCAAGT-3′
MON1 (At2g28390)	For: 5′ - CAGACAAGGCGATGGCGATA-3′
MON1 (At2g28390)	Rev: 5′ - GCTTTCTCTCAAGGGTTTCTGGGT-3′
TIP41 (At4g34270)	For: 5′ - GTGAAAAGTGTGGAGAGAAGCAA-3′
TIP41 (At4g34270)	Rev: 5′ - TCAACTGGATACCCTTTCGCA-3′

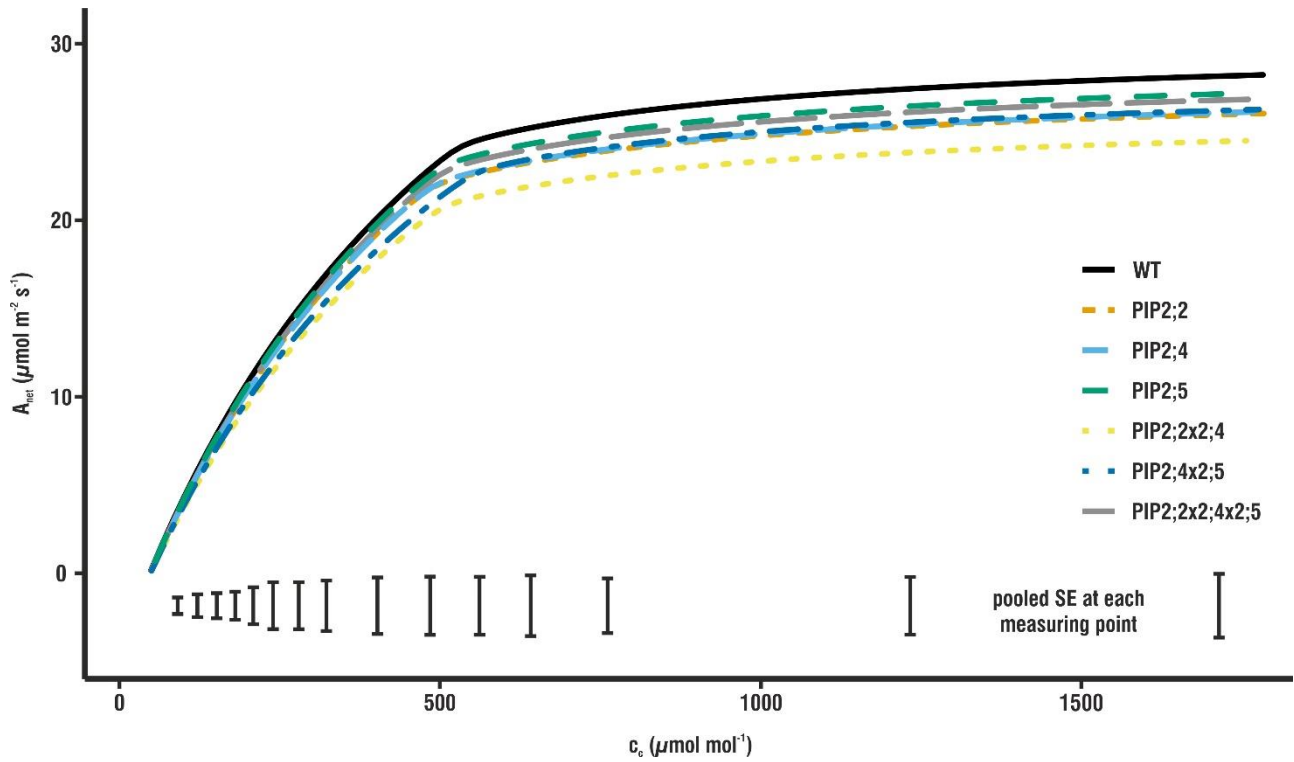


Figure S1: Fitted $A-c_c$ curves for all mutant lines and the WT measured at $\text{PAR} = 1500 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$. At ambient CO_2 ($\approx 400 \mu\text{mol mol}^{-1}$ air), A_{net} is CO_2 -limited, because this CO_2 concentration is situated in the linear part of the curve. Fitted means with the pooled SE are shown at the bottom of the graph ($n = 8-10$).

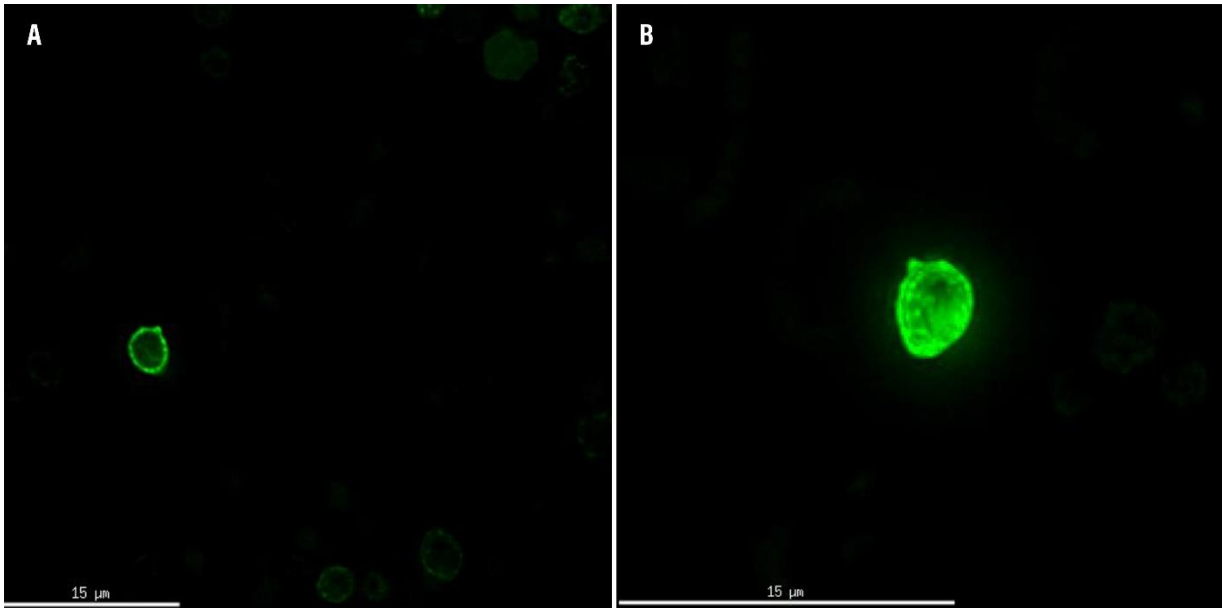


Figure S2: Representative fluorescence microscopy images (**A** – 2D; **B** – 3D) of transformed *S. cerevisiae* cells expressing *AtPIP2;5* with a C-terminal eGFP tag. The protein clearly localises to the plasma membrane.

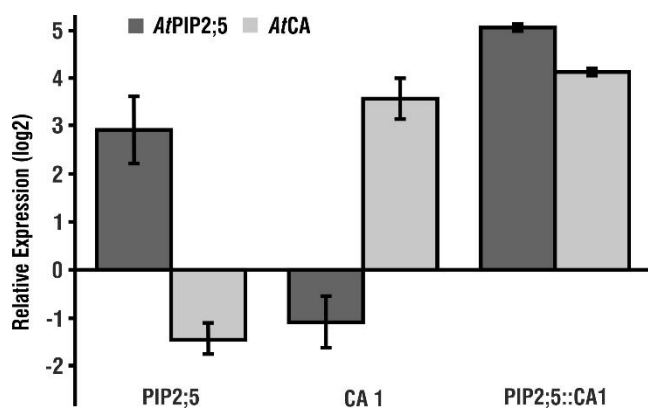


Figure S3: Relative expression of *AtPIP2;5* and *AtCA1* in transformed *S. cerevisiae* cells expressing *AtPIP2;5*, *AtCA1* or both. The yeast strains are indicated at the bottom of the graph. Values are means \pm SD.