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#### 34 Phylogenetic analysis and data mining

35 To reconstruct the phylogenetic tree for the 2-oxoglutarate Fe(II) dependent oxygenase 36 superfamily, we collected the sequences of functionally characterized proteins, namely AtDMR6, 37 AtDLO1, AtDLO2, AtFLS, AtFH3, AtANS, AtACC and PcFNS. We searched with BLASTP their 38 homologous sequences from angiosperm species with well-annotated genomes. They included the 39 monocots corn (Zea mays), rice (Oryza sativa) and sorghum (Sorghum bicolor) and the dicots 40 Arabidopsis thaliana, cacao (Theobroma cacao), cassava (Manihot esculenta), bean (Phaseolus 41 vulgaris), lettuce (Lactuca sativa), papaya (Carica papaya), and some species from the Solanaceae 42 family, including eggplant (Solanum melongena), pepper (Capsicum annuum), potato (Solanum 43 tuberosum) and tomato (Solanum lycopersicum) (1). The matches that showed e-value of 1E-4 and 44 70% bi-directional coverages with the queries were retained. All the remaining sequences, together 45 with the outgroup S7S0B0, were aligned with MAFFT v7.313 (--maxiterate 1000 –globalpair) (2). 46 Columns with 80% or more gaps were removed. The resulting multiple sequence alignment was 47 used to infer a maximum-likelihood tree using RAxML v8.2.12 (-p 12345 -# 100 -m 48 PROTGAMMAWAGF) with 500 rapid bootstrap replications (3). Homologs that clustered with 49 AtDMR6 were defined as DMR6 clade. We selected two tomato homologs SIDMR6-1 and SIDMR6-50 2 in the DMR6 clade for the study. Publicly available transcriptome data (4–6) were inspected for 51 SIDMR6-1 and SIDMR6-2 expression in response to different pathogens, such as Pseudomonas 52 syringae (bacteria), Phytophthora capsici (oomycete) and Moniliophthora perniciosa (fungus). In 53 addition, we selected the cacao and cassava (Thecc1EG015521t1 and Manes.01G043500.1) 54 DMR6 orthologs, which were named TcDMR6 and MeDMR6, respectively, and analyzed their 55 expression in public transcriptomic data (7–9).

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#### 57 **Promoter analysis**

We collected 1-kb promoter regions of *SIDMR6-1* and *SIDMR6-2* from *Solanum lycopersicum*, *Solanum pennellii*, *Capsicum annuum*, *Capsicum baccatum*, *Petunia axillaris* and *Petunia inflata* from Sol Genomics (https://solgenomics.net). For each orthologous group, we performed conserved motif search with <u>Multiple Expression motifs for Motif Elicitation (MEME)</u> v5.0.5 (10). The UTRs of *SIDMR6-1* and *SIDMR6-2* were obtained from their cDNAs. We selected motifs predicted outside the UTRs and conserved in all six species. We ran TOMTOM to compare the predicted motifs to transcription binding sites available in JASPAR (11).

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#### 66 Biological material and growth conditions

For all experiments, we used the wild type plant Fla. 8000, which is susceptible to *Xanthomonas* (12). Wild type and mutant (*Sldmr6-1* and *Sldmr6-2*) plants were grown on soil (Miracle-Gro Supersoil Potting Soil) in a growth chamber at 25°C under a 16-h light/8-h dark photoperiod and 50% relative humidity. Experiments were performed with six-week-old plants. Experiments in which the mutant allele was not specified were performed with the mutants *Sldmr6-1 1.2* and *Sldmr6-2.2* as representatives of the genotypes *Sldmr6-1* and *Sldmr6-2*, respectively.

73 Pseudomonas syringae pv. tomato DC3000 (Pst DC3000), Xanthomonas gardneri 153 74 (Xq153), X. perforans 4B (Xp4B) were used for plant inoculation. Agrobacterium tumefaciens 75 strains C58C1 and GV3101 were used for transient expression and tomato transformation, 76 respectively. For pathogen assays, bacterial cultures were grown in NYG (peptone 5 g/l, yeast 77 extract 3 g/l, glycerol 20 ml/l) for 18 h at 28°C on a shaker at 150 rpm. Phytophthora capsici (LT1534 78 isolate) was maintained at 25°C on either Rye A Agar in the dark for mycelial growth or 10% 79 Unclarified V8 Agar in the light for sporangium formation. Spores of Pseudoidium neolycopersici 80 (MF-1 isolate) were maintained and propagated on tomato Moneymaker plants in an isolated 81 growth room at 25°C with a 12-h photoperiod.

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#### 83 Cas9-mediated inactivation of *SIDMR6-1* and *SIDMR6-2* genes

84 Two guide RNAs (gRNAs) were used for each of the target genes: SIDMR6-1 85 (Solyc03g080190) and SIDMR6-2 (Solyc06g073080). Each guide was independently cloned into a 86 pENTR/D-TOPO-based entry plasmid containing the Arabidopsis U6-26 promoter to drive gRNA 87 expression and a double 35S promoter driving Cas9 expression (13, 14). A gateway LR reaction 88 (Thermo Fisher Scientific) was used to move the gRNA and Cas9 cassette into a pPZP200-based 89 binary vector (15). Before proceeding to tomato transformation, gRNA activity was evaluated by 90 Agrobacterium-mediated transient expression of the binary plasmid into N. benthamiana leaves as 91 described before (13). Using the Agrobacterium tumefaciens co-cultivation method, the binary 92 construct was used for transformation into the Fla. 8000 variety at the University of Nebraska Plant 93 Transformation Core Research Facility (https://biotech.unl.edu/plant-transformation). Kanamycin-94 resistant plants were genotyped, and the selected mutants were selfed for the use in subsequent 95 experiments. All primers are listed in Table S1.

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#### 97 RNA extraction and qRT-PCR (Quantitative Real-Time Polymerase Chain Reaction)

98 Leaf samples were collected 6 hours after syringe infiltration with *X. gardneri.* Total RNA 99 was extracted using the Spectrum Plant Total RNA kit (Sigma, STRN250). Reverse transcription 100 was performed with 1 µg total RNA, using the SuperScript III First-Strand Synthesis SuperMix for 101 qRT-PCR (Invitrogen, 11752-250). Gene expression was quantified with the IQ SYBR Green Supermix (BIO-RAD Cat. 1708882) on a BioRad CFX96 qPCR System. *SlAct* (Solyc03g078400)
 gene was used as internal control. Three biological replicates were used for each experimental
 condition. Primer sequences are listed in Table S1.

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#### 106 Pathogen assays

107 Bacteria were grown in NYG (0.5% peptone, 0.3% yeast extract, 2% glycerol) with 100 108 µq/ml rifampicin on a shaker at 200 rpm, at 28°C overnight. After centrifugation at 4,000 ×g for 15 109 min, cells were washed once with 10 mM MqCl<sub>2</sub>, and diluted to OD<sub>600nm</sub>=0.1 for infection assays. 110 Plants were infected by dip inoculating three leaflets into the bacterial suspension amended with 111 0.02% Silwet L-77. Infected plants were grown on a 12-h photoperiod at 25°C until symptoms 112 develop. Leaf punches were collected, homogenized and then serially diluted. For quantification of 113 bacterial populations, serial dilutions of leaf homogenates were plated onto NYGA (0.5% peptone, 114 0.3% yeast extract, 2% glycerol, 1.5% agar) with 100 µg/ml rifampicin and 50 µg/ml cycloheximide. 115 After incubation at 28°C for 4 to 5 days, typical colonies of Xanthomonas spp./P. syringae were 116 counted, and the bacterial population on each genotype was estimated.

For *P. capsici* pathogen assay, isolate LT1534 was grown on V8 agar 10% at 25°C for three days in the dark and for additional two days under fluorescent light. For inoculation, a plate covered with mycelium was flooded with cold water and the zoospore suspension was obtained after 30 minutes at room temperature. Leaves were spot inoculated by pipetting 10 μl droplets of the spore suspension (10<sup>5</sup> spores/ml) on the adaxial side of each tomato leaflet.

122 *P. neolycopersici* assay was performed by evenly spraying fungal spores from infected 123 branches on the aerial parts of the plants. Fungal growth was evaluated at 5 and 7 days after 124 inoculation (dai). The terminal leaflet of the fifth true leaf was sampled, and its fresh weight was 125 determined. Leaflets were individually placed in 50 ml falcon tubes with 20 ml H<sub>2</sub>O, vortexed for 60 126 sec and filtered with Miracloth. The liquid was centrifuged at 3100 xg for 30 mins and the pellet was 127 resuspended in 500 µl 50% glycerol. An aliquot (50 µl) was then used for counting the spores on 128 an epifluorescence microscope.

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#### 130 Measurement of tomato growth

To evaluate the effect of *SIDMR6-1* and *SIDMR6-2* mutations on plant growth, the height of *SIdmr6-1*, *SIdmr6-2* and wild type plants (18 individuals from each genotype) was recorded using a tape measure (Stanley FatMax 25'). For this, seeds were sowed in supersoil potting soil (Miracle-Gro) and maintained in a growth chamber at 25°C, 16-h light/8-h dark photoperiod and 50% relative humidity. Shoot length was determined 30 days after seedling emergence by measuring the distance between the base of the cotyledon leaves and the apical meristem. Statistical significance 137 was assessed using a one-way ANOVA and post hoc Tukey's honestly significant difference (HSD) 138 test ( $p \le 0.05$ ).

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#### 140 **Promoter GUS transgenic lines and histochemical GUS staining**

141 A 2.5-kb fragment including the putative SIDMR6-1 promoter was amplified with specific 142 primers (Table S1) and cloned via LR reaction into the gateway binary vector pGWB3 (16) to 143 generate the proSIDMR6-1:GUS binary vector. The histochemical GUS assay was performed using 144 a previously described method (17). Leaves from wild type and proSIDMR6-1:GUS lines were 145 syringe infiltrated with staining buffer (0.5 mg/ml 5-bromo-4-chloro-3-indolyl glucuronide in 0.1 M 146 Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>, pH 7 and 10 mM Na<sub>2</sub>EDTA) and maintained at 37°C, overnight. After the staining buffer 147 was removed, samples were cleared with 70% ethanol. Leaves were imaged with a handheld digital 148 camera.

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#### 150 Salicylic acid (SA) analysis using liquid chromatography (LC)-MS/MS

151 Leaf samples of plants growing under laboratory conditions were collected 6 hours after 152 syringe infiltration with X. gardneri suspension (OD<sub>600</sub>= 0.25). Total SA (the sum of free SA and SA 153 glucosides) was extracted from 100 mg of frozen leaf tissues, after the addition of appropriate 154 internal standards as described previously (18). Three biological replicates of each leaf sample 155 were used. Following extraction from plant tissues, 10 µl of the extracts were injected for analysis 156 with an LC-MS/MS (18). LC-MS/MS analysis were achieved using a PE Sciex 3000 triple quad 157 mass spectrometer equipped with a CTC autosampler and Shimadzu LC-MS system. These 158 analyses were performed at the UNC (University of North Carolina) Department of Chemistry Mass 159 Spectrometry Core Laboratory (https://chem.unc.edu/critcl-main/criticl-mass-main/).

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#### 161 RNA-seq analysis

162 Four individual plants of each genotype (wild type, Sldmr6-1.1 and Sldmr6-1.2 mutants) 163 were used for RNA sequencing. Two leaves from each plant were infiltrated with mock solution (10 164 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>) or X. gardneri suspension (OD<sub>600</sub>= 0.25). Six hours after syringe infiltration, leaf 165 samples were collected, and total RNA was extracted using the Spectrum Plant Total RNA kit 166 (Sigma, STRN250). A total of 24 RNA sequencing libraries were prepared using the illumina 167 TruSeg Stranded mRNA Library Prep (illumina 20020594). All libraries were sequenced as 50bp 168 single-end reads on a HiSeg 4000 sequencing platform. Illumina adapters and low-quality reads 169 were removed from the sequenced libraries using Trim Galore v0.6.4 (--illumina -q 20) 170 (bioinformatics.babraham.ac.uk). The filtered reads were aligned to the reference genome (SL 4.0)

171 using STAR v2.6.1c (19). We used primary alignments for gene counting using FeatureCounts

172 v1.6.3 (20), and edgeR to analyze differentially expressed genes (DEGs) (21). For two compared

173 conditions, DEGs were defined to have  $|\log_2 \text{ Fold Change}| \ge 1$  and false discovery rate (FDR) <

- 174  $\,$  0.05. We employed eggNog-mapper (22) to obtain functional annotations for ITAG 4.0, and
- 175 clusterProfiler (23) to perform gene ontology enrichment tests using the functional annotations of
- 176 the DEGs.
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#### 178 Reverse transcription-polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR)

Expression of *SIDMR6-2* gene was evaluated by semiquantitative RT-PCR in leaves and flowers of wild type plants. The Spectrum Plant Total RNA kit (Sigma, STRN250) (with on-column DNasel treatment) and the SuperScript III First-Strand Synthesis System (Invitrogen) were used to make cDNA from 1 µg of RNA. One microliter of cDNA was used for 24 cycles of amplification using Phusion HF polymerase (New England Biolabs). *SIAct* (Solyc03g078400) gene was used as internal control. Three biological replicates were used for each condition. The primer sequences are listed in Table S1.

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#### 187 Recombinant protein expression and purification

188The coding sequences of SIDMR6-1, SIDMR6-2, SIDMR6-1\_H212Q, SIDMR6-2\_H215Q,189AtDMR6 and AtDLO1 were PCR-amplified with specific primers (Table S1) and cloned into pGEM-190T easy vector (Promega). These inserts were digested and subcloned into pET28a vector191(Novagen) for protein expression in *E. coli*. All constructs were verified by DNA sequencing.

192 All six constructs were individually introduced into rosetta 2(DE3)pLysS cells, which were 193 grown at 37°C in 2YT medium (Sigma) with appropriate antibiotics. Recombinant protein 194 expression was induced with 0.5 mM isopropyl-β-D-thiogalactoside (IPTG), and cultures were 195 grown overnight at 16°C. For protein purification, cells were disrupted by sonication on ice and 196 proteins were bound to a Nickel-affinity column (HisTrap Crude FF, GE Life Sciences). Elution was 197 carried out by sequential additions of elution buffer containing imidazole. Recombinant proteins 198 were desalted into IEX Buffer A (20 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.0, 50 mM NaCl) using HiPrep 26/10 desalting 199 column according to manufacturer's instructions (GE Life Sciences). Desalted proteins were loaded 200 onto a 5 ml Q HP column and eluted with 50-1000 mM NaCl over 15 CV. Fractions containing 201 monomeric proteins were pooled and concentrated. Protein concentrations were determined by 202 Coomassie-based assay. Samples were sterile-filtered, flash-frozen in liquid nitrogen, and stored 203 at -80°C.

#### 205 In vitro activity assays

206 The enzyme assay was performed according to a previously described method with some 207 modifications (24). The reaction mixture included 50 mM MES, pH 6.5, 0.4 mM FeSO<sub>4</sub>, 10 mM 208 ascorbic acid, 1 mM 2-oxoglutarate, 10 µM salicylic acid, and 12 µg of recombinant purified protein, 209 in a final volume of 100 µl. The ferrous sulfate (FeSO<sub>4</sub>) solution was prepared in 100 mM sodium 210 acetate, pH 5.5 and 10mM ascorbic acid. Activity assays were performed at 40°C for 60 min in 211 open tubes with shaking (225 rpm). Reactions were initiated by addition of the enzyme and 212 terminated by filtration through a 0.22 µM syringe filter (Millipore). Samples were then analyzed by 213 HPLC.

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#### 215 HPLC quantification

216 HPLC separation was performed on a Shimadzu SCL-10A system with a Shimadzu RF-217 10A scanning fluorescence detector and a Shimadzu SPD-M10A photodiode array detector. 218 Samples were separated on a 5-µm, 15 cm x 4.6-mm i.d. Supelcosil LC-ABZ Plus column (Supelco) 219 preceded by a LC-ABZ Plus guard column. Prior to loading the 50-µl sample, the column was 220 equilibrated with 15% acetonitrile in 25 mM KH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>, pH 2.5, at a flow rate of 1.0 ml/min. The 221 concentration of acetonitrile was increased linearly to 20% over 10 minutes, followed by an increase 222 to 43% linearly over the next 12 minutes, followed by an increase to 66% over the next 2 minutes. 223 This was followed by isocratic flow at 66% for 5 minutes, followed by a decrease to 15% acetonitrile 224 linearly over the next 5 minutes and isocratic flow at 15% for 3 min. 2,5-DHBA and SA were 225 guantified using a fluorescence detector set at 320-nm excitation/449-nm emission for 2,5-DHBA 226 and 305/407 for SA. Under these conditions, 2,5-DHBA eluted at approximately 9 minutes and SA 227 eluted at approximately 20 minutes. HPLC-grade solvents were employed for all HPLC buffers and 228 solutions.

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#### 230 Homology modeling and *in silico* ligand docking

231 Homology models for SIDMR6-1 (NP 001233840.2) and SIDMR6-2 (XP 004241427.1) 232 were built using the HHpred server and the MODELLER software (25), which are available at the 233 MPI Bioinformatics Toolkit (https://toolkit.tuebingen.mpg.de/#/). The structure of Anthocyanidin 234 synthase (ANS) from Arabidopsis thaliana (26) was the selected template (PDB ID 1GP6, 35-30% 235 sequence identity with target proteins), because it was determined in complex with the cofactor 236 Fe(II), succinic acid and its substrate, thus representing a desirable conformational state for the 237 ligand docking procedure. The quality of built models was evaluated using the z-DOPE score 238 calculated by the SaliLab Model Evaluation Server (http://modbase.compbio.ucsf.edu/evaluation/),

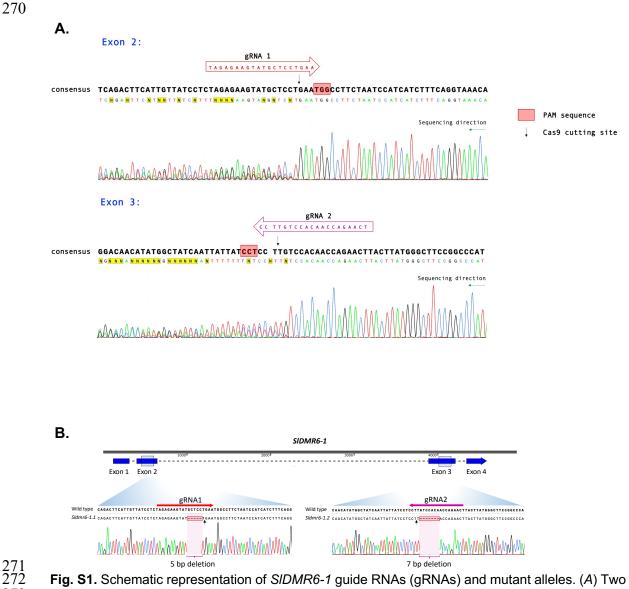
which is lower than -1.0 for good models and between 0 and -1 for reasonable models. The models
 were also validated using the SAVES v5.0 service (http://servicesn.mbi.ucla.edu/SAVES/) (27).

For the *in silico* ligand docking, we used the AutoDockTools v1.5.6 (28) to add non-polar hydrogens to the ligands (naringenin or salicylic acid) and enzymes (SIDMR6-1 or SIDMR6-2), to prepare the PDBQT files, and to define the grid center and the grid box size. The stochastic search algorithm of AutoDock Vina (29) was used to dock the ligands to the substrate binding site of SIDMR6-1 or SIDMR6-2. The results that best agree with our functional data as well as with the expected positioning of the reactive atom of the ligand compared to the crystallographic structure of naringenin (26) bound at AtANS were analyzed and discussed here.

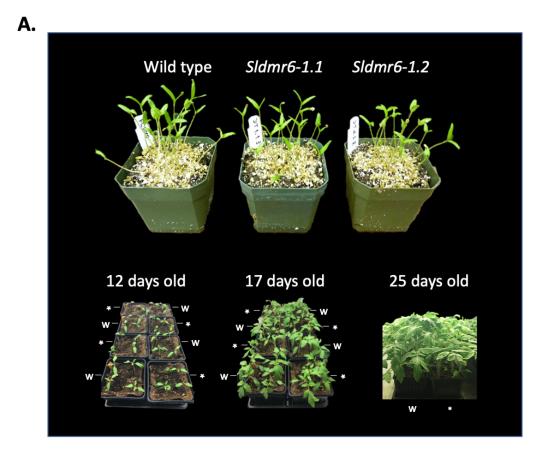
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#### 249 Field trial assays

250 Seeds were sown on February 26, 2019 and single row plots of 10 plants were established 251 in the field on March 12, 2019 at the Gulf Coast Research and Education Center (GCREC) in Balm, 252 FL. Experimental plots were arranged in a randomized complete block design with four replications. 253 Tomato seedlings were transplanted into raised beds covered with reflective polyethylene mulch. 254 Pic-Clor 60 fumigant was applied at a rate of 336,25 kg/ha. Between-bed spacing was five feet, 255 and plants were spaced 18 inches in the row. Plants were staked and tied, and irrigation was 256 applied through drip tape beneath the plastic mulch. A recommended fertilizer and pesticide 257 program was followed throughout the growing season, excluding the use of SAR inducers, copper, 258 and other bactericides. Plants were inoculated on April 19, 2019 with a four-isolate cocktail of X. 259 perforans race T4 (10<sup>6</sup> CFU per ml of each of strains GEV904, GEV917, GEV1001, GEV1063). 260 Individual plants were evaluated for bacterial spot disease severity on May 22, 2019 using the 261 Horsfall-Barratt rating scale (30). Vine-ripened (breaker stage through red) fruits were harvested 262 two times from eight plants of each plot on May 28, 2019 and June 6, 2019. Fruits were weighed 263 and graded according to USDA standards (51.1859 of the US Standards for Grades of Fresh 264 Tomatoes) (31). Note that small fruits are 7x7 (unmarketable), and medium, large and extra-large 265 fruits are 6x7, 6x6 and 5x6, respectively, according to the USDA specifications (31). To calculate 266 total marketable yield, only the medium, large and extra-large fruit categories were considered. 267 Small fruits are unmarketable and, therefore, are not used to determine total marketable yield.

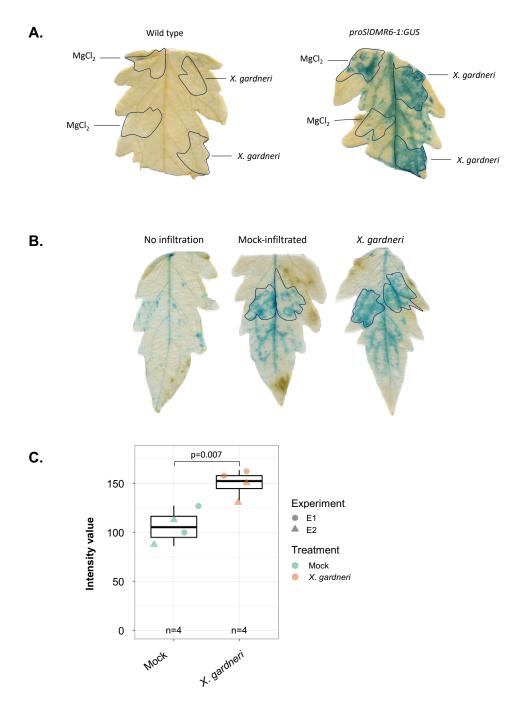


271 272 273 gRNAs were designed to independently target the second exon (gRNA 1) and the third exon (gRNA 274 2) of the SIDMR6-1 gene. To evaluate gRNA activity, we used Agrobacterium-based transient 275 expression assays in Nicotiana benthamiana. The target regions were sequenced, and the 276 overlapping peaks on the chromatogram indicate that both gRNAs are active in planta (B) Two 277 independent constructs containing gRNA 1 or gRNA 2 were used to produce stable tomato 278 transformants. Two homozygous lines with frameshift deletion alleles, named Sldmr6-1.1 and 279 Sldmr6-1.2, were generated. The predicted cut sites of each gRNA are indicated with an arrow, 280 and the black dashes highlighted in red correspond to the missing DNA bases that cause a 281 frameshift in the protein sequence.

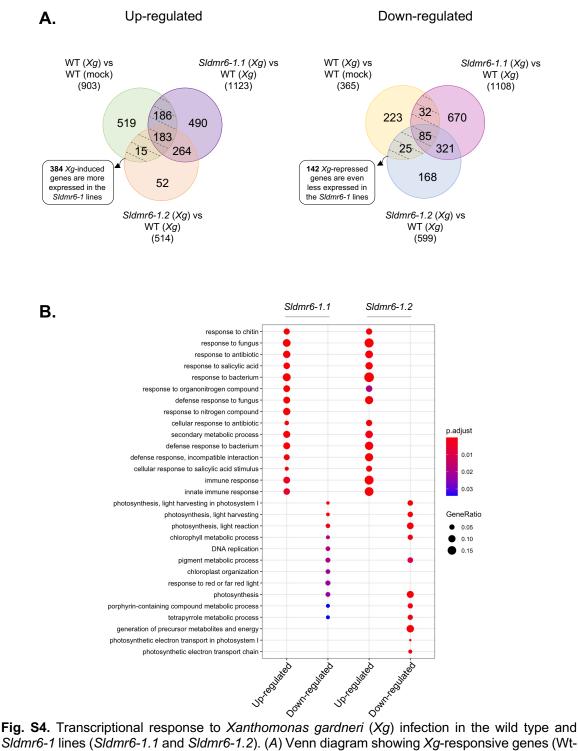




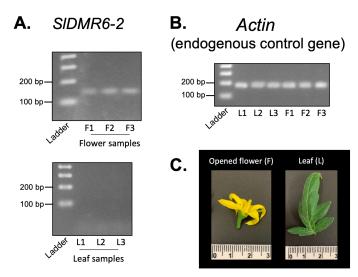
283 284 285 286 287 288 289 Fig. S2. SIDMR6-1 impairment does not have a clear effect on plant growth under laboratory conditions. (A) Growth phenotype of wild type and Sldmr6-1 mutants grown in a growth chamber at 24°C under a 16-h light/8-h dark photoperiod and 50% relative humidity. Asterisks and letter "w" indicate Sldmr6-1.2 mutants and wild type lines, respectively. (B) Growth phenotype of wild type (Wt) and Sldmr6-1 lines (Sldmr6-1.2) grown in the greenhouse at 25°C under a 16-h light/8-h dark photoperiod. Sldmr6-1 mutants are intercalated with wild type plants.



290 291 Fig. S3. Histochemical GUS assay of wild type and proSIDMR6-1:GUS tomato leaves in response 292 to Xanthomonas gardneri 153 (Xg) infection. (A) A single leaf of the wild type or proSIDMR6-1:GUS 293 line was infiltrated with mock solution on the left side and Xq suspension cells on the right side. (B) 294 In another experimental design, leaves from the proSIDMR6-1:GUS line were individually 295 submitted to three different conditions: (i) no infiltration, (ii) infiltration with mock solution (iii) 296 infiltration with Xg suspension cells. GUS activity in wild type and proSIDMR6-1:GUS lines was 297 visualized using X-gluc as a substrate. Based on the intensity of the GUS coloration in (A) and (B), 298 we observed a significant infiltration effect on the proSIDMR6-1:GUS expression. Despite this, GUS 299 staining was slightly higher in the Xg-infiltrated sites, confirming the up-regulation of SIDMR6-1 by 300 pathogen infection. Images were taken eight hours after mock or Xg infiltration. (C) Graph showing 301 the mean GUS intensity measured within the inoculation site using the ImageJ software (32). E1 302 and E2 correspond to the experiments that are shown in (A) and (B), respectively.



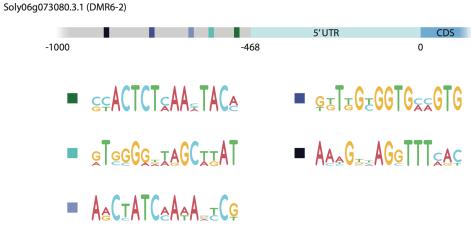
303 304 305 Sldmr6-1 lines (Sldmr6-1.1 and Sldmr6-1.2). (A) Venn diagram showing Xg-responsive genes (Wt-306 Xq vs Wt-mock) that are up-regulated in the Sldmr6-1 lines in comparison to wild type plants (left 307 panel) and Xq-responsive genes (Wt-Xq vs Wt-mock) that are down-regulated in the Sldmr6-1 lines 308 in comparison to wild type plants (right panel). Notably, the expression of many Xq-induced genes 309 (left panel) is higher in the Sldmr6-1 lines than in wild type plants, whereas the expression of several 310 Xg-repressed genes (right panel) is even lower in the mutants. (B) Gene Ontology (GO) analyses 311 showed that the up-regulated genes of the infected Sldmr6-1 mutants are enriched in GO terms 312 associated with plant immunity, while down-regulated genes of the infected Sldmr6-1 mutants are 313 enriched in GO terms related to photosynthetic processes.



314 315 316 Fig. S5. Expression of the SIDMR6-2 gene is detected in flowers (F) but not in leaf tissues (L) of wild type tomato plants. (A) SIDMR6-2 expression was evaluated by RT-PCR in flowers and leaves of tomato. In agreement with our analysis of public transcriptome data, SIDMR6-2 expression is 317 318 detected in flowers but not in leaf tissues. (B) SIAct (Solyc03g078400) was used as internal control 319 since it shows very similar expression levels in both tomato tissues. (C) Representative image of 320 the tissues collected for RT-PCR analysis, opened flowers (F) and leaves (L).

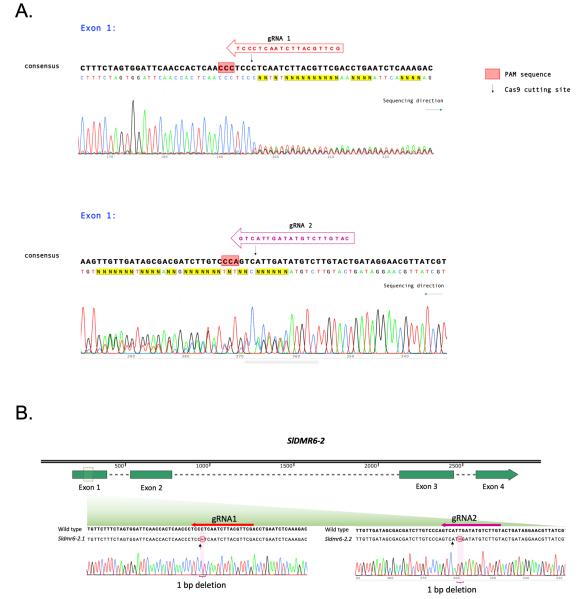


\* Detectable similarity to the binding sites of bZIP14/50/60/910 and TGA1A/2/3/5/6/9



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Fig. S6. Comparison of the SIDMR6-1 and SIDMR6-2 promoter regions. The 1-kb upstream regions 324 of SIDMR6-1, SIDMR6-2 and their respective orthologs were collected from tomato (Solanum 325 lycopersicum), Solanum pennellii, pepper (Capsicum annuum), Capsicum baccatum, Petunia 326 axillaris and Petunia inflata. Conserved DNA motifs located outside the UTR inferred from the 327 cDNA data were selected and annotated. Comparison of the similarity of the chosen motifs with 328 known transcription binding sites revealed that the SIDMR6-1 promoter has a motif with similarity 329 to the binding sites of several basic leucine zipper (bZIP) TGA transcription factors (p-value < 330 0.001).



332 333 334 Fig. S7. SIDMR6-2 guide RNAs (gRNAs) and mutant alleles. (A) Evaluation of gRNA activity using an Agrobacterium-based transient expression assay in Nicotiana benthamiana. Selected gRNAs 335 (gRNA1 and gRNA2) target different regions of the first exon of the SIDMR6-2 gene. The target 336 regions were sequenced, and the mixed sequencing results confirm the activity of both gRNAs in 337 planta. (B) Two independent constructs containing gRNA 1 or gRNA 2 were used to generate stable 338 tomato transformants. Two homozygous lines with frameshift deletion alleles were produced: 339 Sldmr6-2.1 and Sldmr6-2.2. The predicted cleavage sites for each gRNA are indicated by an arrow, 340 and the black dashes highlighted in red correspond to the missing DNA bases that cause the 341 frameshift in the protein sequence.

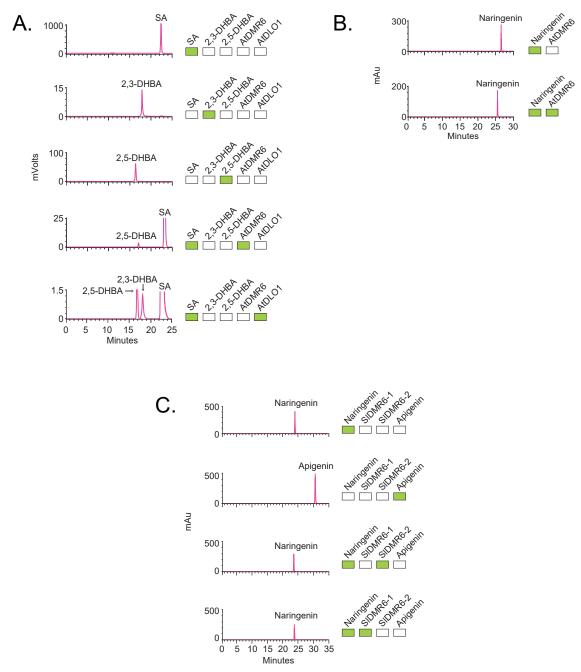
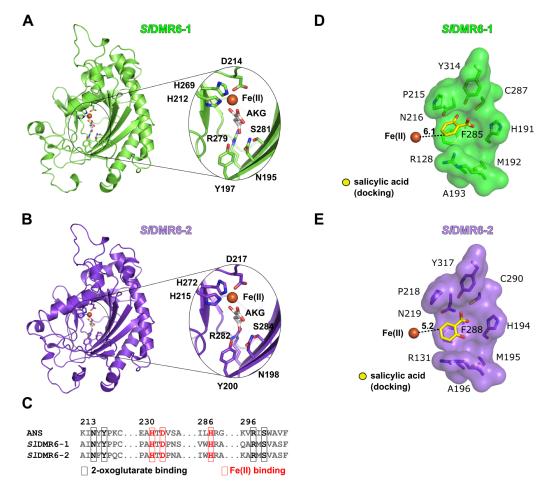
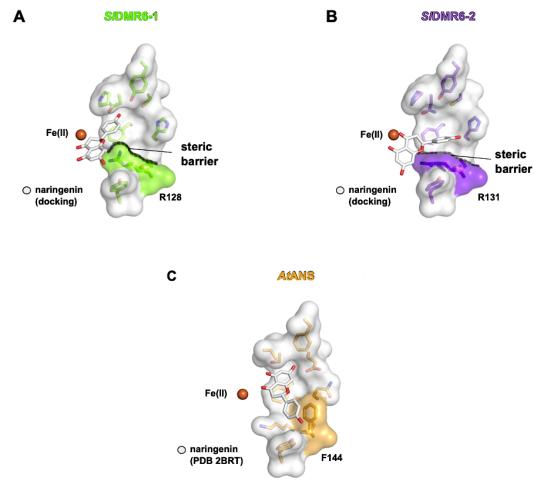


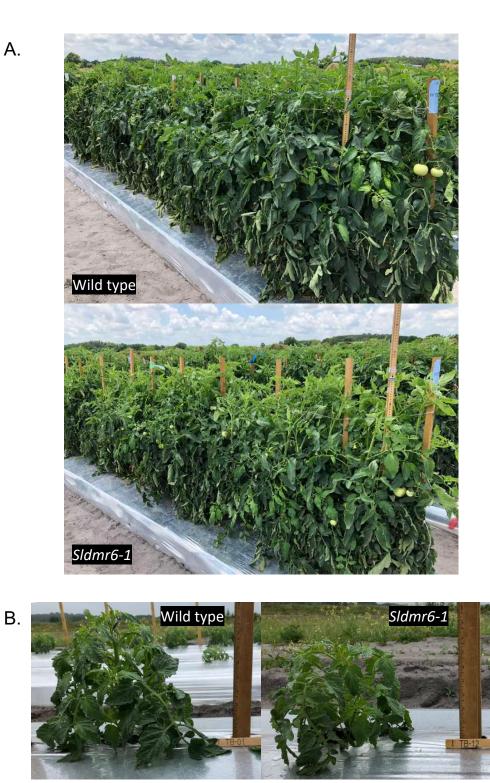
Fig. S8. AtDLO1 and AtDMR6 are salicylic acid (SA)-hydroxylase enzymes, and SIDMR6-1 and 345 SIDMR6-2 do not show flavone synthase (FNS) activity. (A) HPLC profiles of the standards SA, 346 2,3-DHBA and 2,5-DHBA (first, second and third panels, respectively). In the presence of the 347 recombinant protein AtDMR6, SA is converted to 2,5 DHBA, whereas, in the presence of AtDLO1, 348 SA is converted to 2,3-DHBA and 2,5 DHBA (fourth and fifth panels, respectively). These results 349 agree with previous literature data (18, 24). (B) HPLC profile of the standard naringenin (first panel). 350 AtDMR6 is not able to use naringenin as a substrate under the tested conditions. (C) HPLC profile 351 of the standard naringenin (first panel) and apigenin (second panel). Similar to AtDMR6 (24), 352 SIDMR6-1 and SIDMR6-2 are not able to use naringenin as a substrate under the tested conditions 353 (third and fourth panels). The green boxes indicate the presence of that compound in the reaction 354 mixture. 355



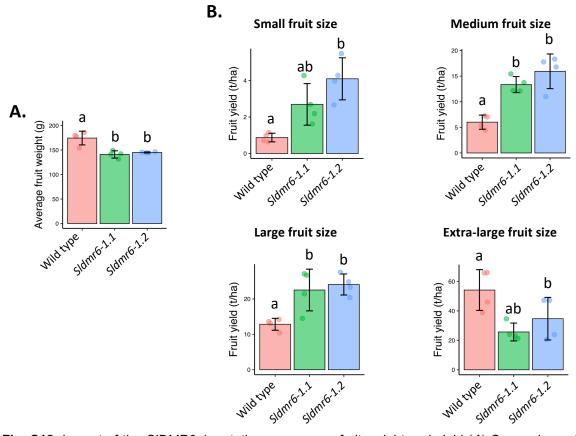
356 357 Fig. S9. Homology models of SIDMR6-1 and 2 show conserved features of 2-oxoglutarate Fe(II)-358 dependent dioxygenase (2-ODD) enzymes and a substrate-binding site that accommodates 359 salicylic acid (SA). The SIDMR6-1 (A) and SIDMR6-2 (B) models were built using anthocyanidin 360 synthase (ASN) as a template and displayed a z-DOPE score of -1.163 and -0.892, respectively. 361 Magnified views highlight the conserved residues that bind to 2-oxoglutarate (AKG) and Fe(II), 362 numbered according to their position in the respective enzyme sequence. Fe(II) and AKG 363 coordinates were from the PDB 2BRT (33) superimposed to the SIDMR6 models. (C) Sequence 364 alignment between ANS, SIDMR6-1, and SIDMR6-2 highlighting the conserved residues displayed 365 in panels (A) and (B). Numbers correspond to amino acid positions in ANS. Molecular docking of 366 SA into the substrate-binding site of SIDMR6-1 (D) and SIDMR6-2 (E) indicates two possible fits 367 that place the C-5 carbon atom at a distance (dashed lines. Å) from Fe(II) similar to that find 368 between Fe(II) and the reactive position (C-3 atom from central ring) of naringenin bound to ANS 369 crystal structure (6.4 Å).



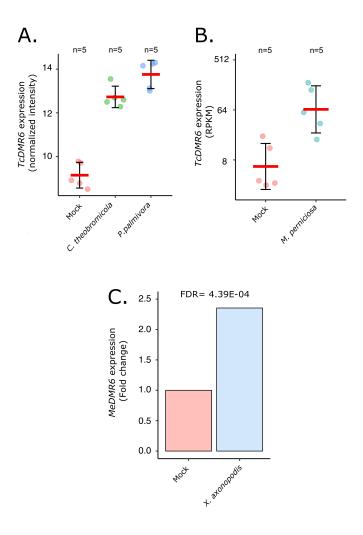
371 372 373 374 Fig. S10. An arginine residue conserved in DMR6 enzymes probably prevents naringenin to occupy the same position as it does in AtANS. Panels (A) and (B) show molecular docking results of naringenin at the active site of homology models of SIDMR6-1 and SIDMR6-2, respectively. Panel 375 (C) presents the crystal structure of AtANS-Fe(II)-alpha-ketoglutarate (AKG)-naringenin complex 376 (33). Residues equivalent to SIDMR6-1-Arg128 are highlighted by colored surfaces. Fe(II) and AKG 377 coordinates were from the PDB 2BRT (33) superimposed to the respective homology models 378 shown in panels (A), (B) and (C).



380 381 382 383 384 Fig. S11. Growth phenotype of wild type and Sldmr6-1 plants under field conditions. (A) Wild type and Sldmr6-1 (Sldmr6-1.1) mutants growing under field conditions in Florida. (B) Individual plants of the wild type and Sldmr6-1 (Sldmr6-1.1) genotypes showing the main differences in growth verified when the mutants were grown in the field. The Sldmr6-1 lines are slightly stunted, and this 385 trait affects the entire plant, including height, internode length and leaf size. It is worth mentioning 386 that naturally existing Xanthomonas are always present in Florida, thus it is still necessary to 387 evaluate the effect of SIDMR6-1 mutation on healthy uninfected plants growing in the field.



**Fig. S12.** Impact of the *SIDMR6-1* mutation on average fruit weight and yield (*A*) Comparison of the average fruit weight of the wild type and the mutant lines *Sldmr6-1.1* and *Sldmr6-1.2*. Average fruit weight includes the following fruit size categories: extra-large, large, and medium fruits. (*B*) Yield of the different tomato fruit categories. Small fruits are unmarketable and, therefore, are not used to determine total marketable yield. Both mutants show reduced yield of extra-large fruits, but higher yield of large and medium fruits. As a result, total marketable yield is not altered (Fig. 6C). The letters indicate significant difference between the conditions as determined using a one-way ANOVA followed by a Tukey HSD test (p < 0.05).



399 Fig. S13. Expression of AtDMR6 orthologs in Theobroma cacao (cacao) and Manihot esculenta (cassava). (A) Upregulation of TcDMR6 (Thecc1EG015521t1) in response to Collectotrichum theobromicola, Phytophthora palmivora and Moniliophthora perniciosa based on the analysis of public transcriptome data (FDR < 0.05) (7, 9). (B) Similarly, MeDMR6 (Manes.01G043500.1) is also induced by pathogen infection (Xanthomonas axonopodis pv. manihotis) (n=3) (8).

#### **Table S1.** Primer sequences

Primer names	Sequences (5'- 3')	Purpose		
SIDMR6-1_Exon2_F	ATGGTGTACCAAAGGAAGTTGTAGAGA	Forward primer to amplify a fragment of exon 2 of the <i>SIDMR6-1</i> gene for the Agrobacteriumbased transient expression assays and for plant genotyping		
SIDMR6-1_Exon2_R	TGCAACACTTCTCAGTTTGAGCCTCG	Reverse primer to amplify a fragment of exon 2 of the <i>SIDMR6-</i> <i>1</i> gene for the Agrobacterium- based transient expression assays and for plant genotyping Forward primer to amplify a fragment of exon 3 of the <i>SIDMR6-</i> <i>1</i> gene for the Agrobacterium- based transient expression assays and for plant genotyping		
SIDMR6-1_Exon3_F	AGATATTGCAGGGAAATTCGTCAACTC			
SIDMR6-1_Exon3_R	GATGCCATACACTTCTGTACTTACCGTT	Reverse primer to amplify a fragment of exon 3 of the <i>SIDMR6-1</i> gene for the Agrobacterium-based transient expression assays and for plant genotyping		
SIDMR6-1_gRNA1_F	ATTGTAGAGAAGTATGCTCCTGAA	Forward primer for cloning <i>SIDMR6-1</i> gRNA1		
SIDMR6-1_gRNA1_R	AAACTTCAGGAGCATACTTCTCTA	Reverse primer for cloning <i>SIDMR6-1</i> gRNA1		
SIDMR6-1_gRNA2_F	ATTGAGTTCTGGTTGTGGACAAGG	Forward primer for cloning <i>SIDMR6-1</i> gRNA2		
SIDMR6-1_gRNA2_R	AAACCCTTGTCCACAACCAGAACT	Reverse primer for cloning <i>SIDMR6-1</i> gRNA2		
SIDMR6-2_Exon1_F	ATCAAGTCAGTAAAATGTGAACC	Forward primer to amplify a fragment of exon 1 of the <i>SIDMR6-2</i> gene for the Agrobacterium-based transient expression assays and for plant genotyping		
SIDMR6-2_Exon1_R	CTCTCCAATTATGAACAGTTTCC	Reverse primer to amplify a fragment of exon 1 of the <i>SIDMR6-2</i> gene for the Agrobacterium-based transient expression assays and for plant genotyping		
SIDMR6-2_gRNA1_F	ATTGTCGAACGTAAGATTGAGGGA	Forward primer for cloning <i>SIDMR6-2</i> gRNA1		
SIDMR6-2_gRNA1_R	AAACTCCCTCAATCTTACGTTCGA	Reverse primer for cloning <i>SIDMR6-2</i> gRNA1		
SIDMR6-2_gRNA2_F	ATTGGTACAAGACATATCAATGAC	Forward primer for cloning <i>SIDMR6-2</i> gRNA2		

SIDMR6-2_gRNA2_R	AAACGTCATTGATATGTCTTGTAC	Reverse primer for cloning <i>SIDMR6-2</i> gRNA2	
Cas9_F	ACAGAGAGATGATCGAGGAACGG	orward primer to amplify the Cas9 ene for genotyping	
Cas9_R	AGTTCCTGGTCCACGTACATATCC	Reverse primer to amplify the <i>Cas9</i> gene for genotyping	
SIAct_qPCR_F	TGTTCTCCTGACTGAGGCACC       SlAct forward primer to perform         qPCR analysis		
SIAct_qPCR_R	GACTAACACCATCACCAGAGTCC	<i>SlAct</i> reverse primer to perform the qPCR analysis	
SIDMR6-1_qPCR_F	ATTCAGATGATCCTTCAAAGACC	<i>SIDMR6-1</i> forward primer to perform the qPCR analysis	
SIDMR6-1_qPCR_R	GAATTTCCCTGCAATATCTGC	<i>SIDMR6-1</i> reverse primer to perform the qPCR analysis	
GUS_F	CTGTGGAATTGATCAGCGTTGG	Forward primer to amplify the reporter gene GUS	
GUS_R	CTCCATCACTTCCTGATTATTGACCC	Reverse primer to amplify the reporter gene <i>GUS</i>	
Pro_SIDMR6-1_F	CACCTTGTTAGTGATATCTGTTGGC	Forward primer to amplify a 2.5 fragment of the <i>SIDMR6-1</i> gene	
Pro_SIDMR6-1_R	GGAATCTATGGCTTATAATATATATGG	Reverse primer to amplify a 2.5 fragment of the <i>SIDMR6-1</i> gene	
SIAct_RT_F	TGTTCTCCTGACTGAGGCACC	Forward primer to amplify the <i>SIAct</i> gene by RT-PCR	
SIAct_RT_R	GACTAACACCATCACCAGAGTCC	Reverse primer to amplify the <i>SlAct</i> gene by RT-PCR	
SIDMR6-2_RT_F	TAGGCTACATTGTTATCCTTTGG	Forward primer to amplify the <i>SIDMR6-2</i> gene by RT-PCR	
SIDMR6-2_RT_R	CCTAAGCTCTCTGATATTGC	Reverse primer to amplify the <i>SIDMR6-2</i> gene by RT-PCR	
AtDMR6_pET28a_F	GCTAGCATGGCGGCAAAGCTGATATC	Forward primer to amplify and clone the complete <i>AtDMR6</i> coding sequence	
AtDMR6_pET28a_R	GAATTCTTAGTTGTTTAGAAAATTCTCG AGGC	Reverse primer to amplify and clone the complete <i>AtDMR6</i> coding sequence	
AtDLO1_pET28a_F	GCTAGCATGGCAACTTCTGCAATATCTA AG	Forward primer to amplify and clone the complete <i>AtDLO1</i> coding sequence Reverse primer to amplify and clone the complete <i>AtDLO1</i> coding sequence	
AtDLO1_pET28a_R	GAATTCTTAGGTTGTTGGAGCTTTGAAG		
SIDMR6-2_pET28a_F TACGTGGATCCATGATGACAACAACAACAA GTGTTCTTTC Forward primer to amplete SIDMR sequence			

	SIDMR6-2_pET28a_R	TCTACGAATTCTTAGGTTCCATCGTTCT TAAAAAG	Reverse primer to amplify and clone the complete <i>SIDMR6-2</i> coding sequence
	SIDMR6-1_pET28a_F	TACGTGGATCCATGGAAACCAAAGTTA TTTCTAGC	Forward primer to amplify and clone the complete <i>SIDMR6-1</i> coding sequence
	SIDMR6-1_pET28a_R	TCTACGAGCTCTTAGTTCTTGAAAAGTT CCAAAC	Reverse primer to amplify and clone the complete <i>SIDMR6-1</i> coding sequence
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Comparisons		Up-regulated	Down-regulated	Total DEGs
Sldmr6-1.2 Mock	Sldmr6-1.1 Mock	13	11	24
Sldmr6-1.2 Xg	Sldmr6-1.1 Xg	16	20	36
Sldmr6-1.1 Mock	Wild type Mock	760	514	1274
Sldmr6-1.1 Xg	Wild type Xg	1123	1108	2231
Sldmr6-1.2 Mock	Wild type Mock	523	328	851
Sldmr6-1.2 Xg	Wild type Xg	514	599	1113
Wild type Xg	Wild type Mock	903	365	1268
Sldmr6-1.1 Xg	Sldmr6-1.1 Mock	1149	926	2075
Sldmr6-1.2 Xg	Sldmr6-1.2 Mock	1079	969	2048

**Table S2.** Effect of *SIDMR6-1* mutation and *Xanthomonas gardneri* 153 (*Xg*) infection in the 110 number of differentially expressed genes (DEGs)

FDR <0.05 and |log2 (Fold change)| ≥1

- 412 Dataset 1 (separate file). Differentially expressed genes (DEGs) between wild type and *Sldmr6-1* 413 mutants.
- **Dataset 2 (separate file).** Gene Ontology (GO) terms that are enriched among DEGs of the 415 *Sldmr6-1* mutant lines.
- **Dataset 3 (separate file).** Differentially expressed genes (DEGs) of wild type and *Sldmr6-1* 417 mutants in response to *Xanthomonas gardneri* (*Xg*) infection.
- **Dataset 4 (separate file).** Comparison of the transcriptomes of the wild type, *Sldmr6-1.1* and *Sldmr6-1.2* tomato lines during *Xanthomonas gardneri* infection
- **Dataset 5 (separate file).** Composition, gene ontology (GO) enrichment analysis and annotation 421 of each cluster obtained in the hierarchical clustering analysis of Figure 3.

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