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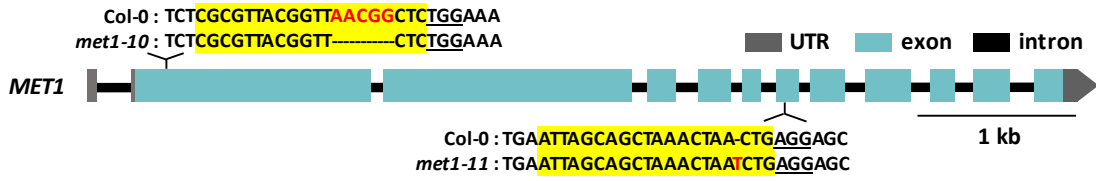
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Fig. S1 Generation of *met1* mutants in *Arabidopsis* using the CRISPR/Cas9 system. (a) Schematic representation of *MET1* gene structure and the mutation sites. The sgRNA targeting sequences are highlighted in yellow and the PAM sites are underlined. The *met1-10* mutation causes a five nucleotide deletion in the first exon (highlighted in red). The *met1-11* mutation causes a ‘T’ insertion in the sixth exon (highlighted in red). Each of these mutations causes a shift in open reading frame. **(b)** Schematic diagram of mutant screening. The CRISPR constructs were transformed into the wild-type Col-0 or *ddcc* mutants (T0). The *met1* chimera plants in T1 generation were identified through DNA sequencing, and then backcrossed to Col-0 and *ddcc*, respectively, to obtain *met1*^{+/-} *Cas9*^{-/-} and *ddcc met1*^{+/-} *Cas9*^{-/-} plants in F1 generation. The *met1*^{-/-} *Cas9*^{-/-} and *ddcc met1*^{+/-} *Cas9*^{-/-} plants in F2 generation were finally identified for further experiments. The most important plant materials in each generation are highlighted by red circles.

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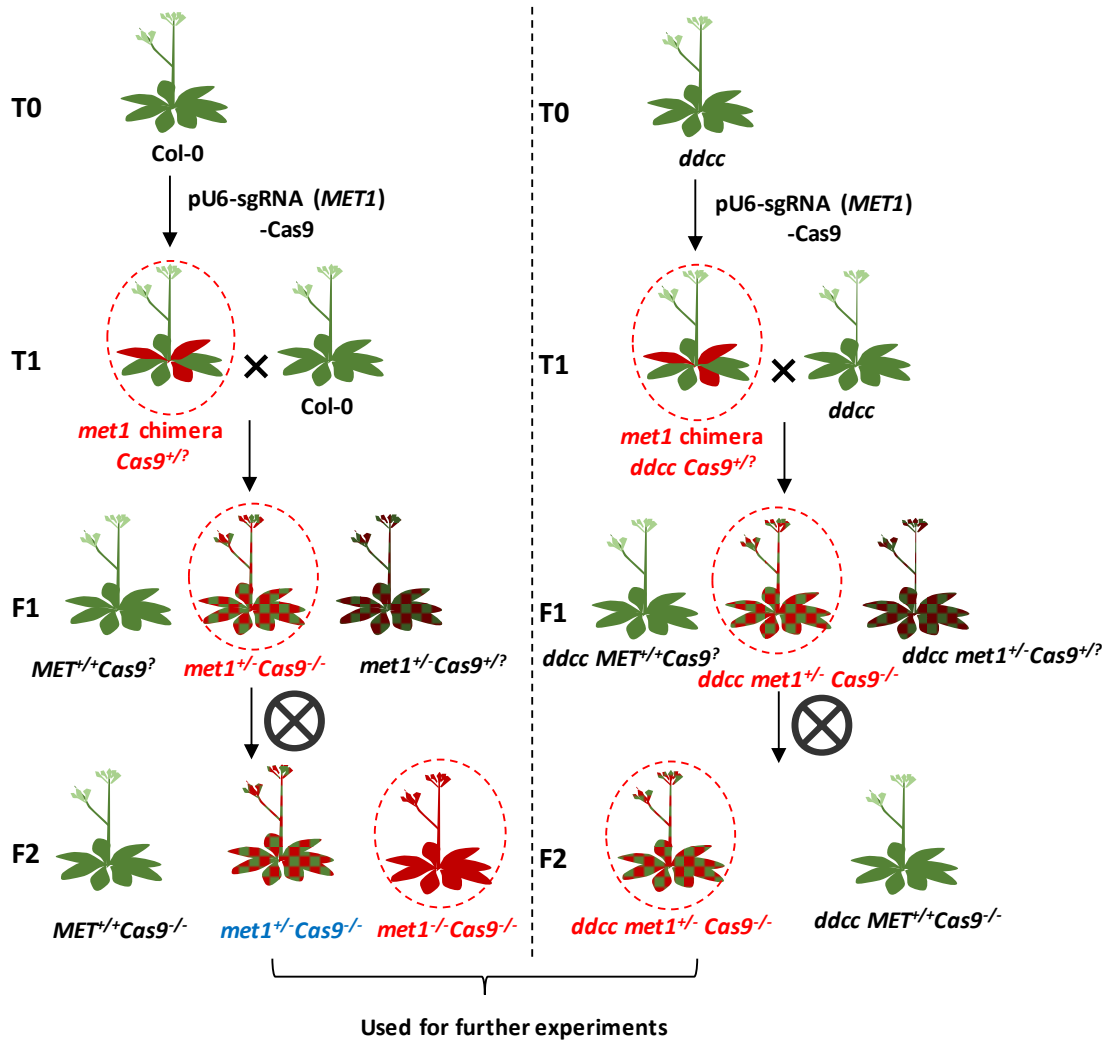
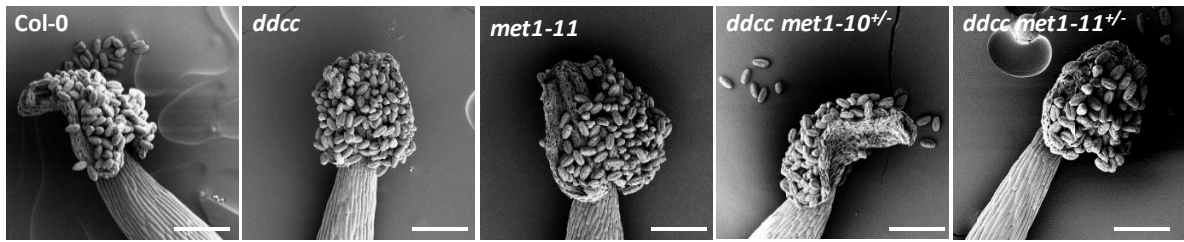


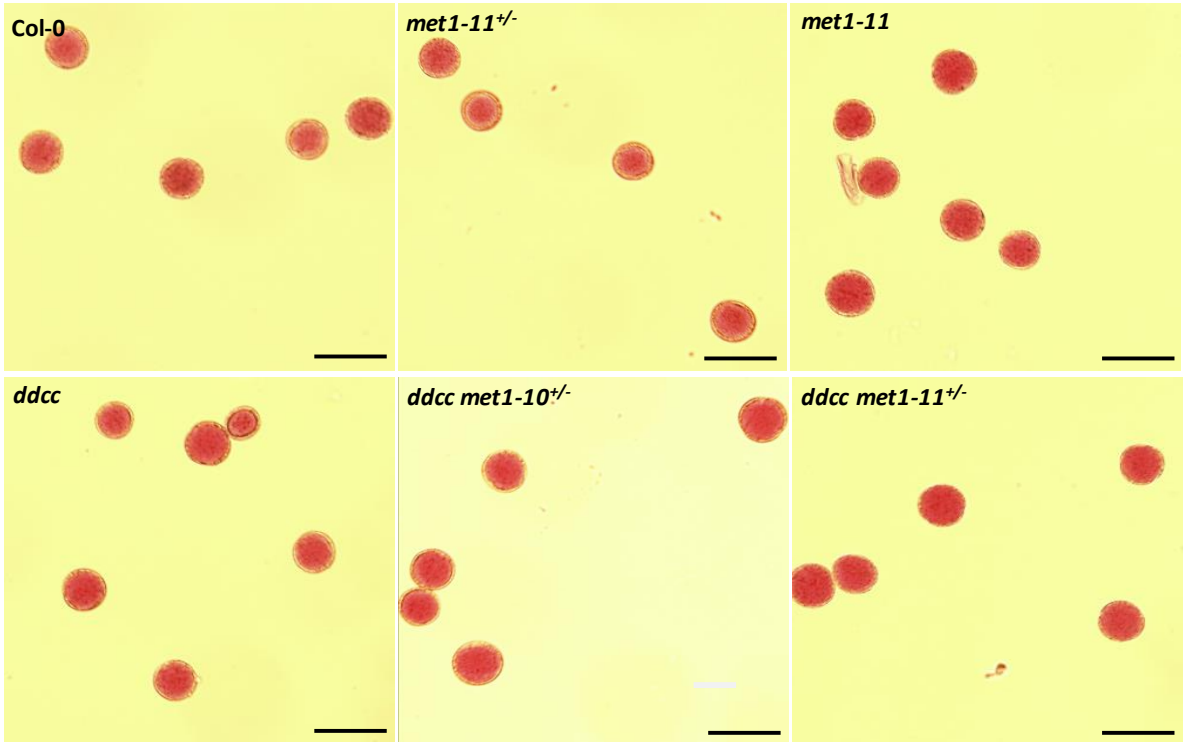
Fig. S2 Loss of DNA methylation affects endosperm development and compromises transmission through the male gametophytes in *Arabidopsis*. (a) DNA sequencing results showing genotypes of late aborted embryos in *ddcc met1-11*^{+/-} siliques. Red box represents the location of sgRNA, and red arrow indicates the mutation site. (b) DIC microscopy of endosperm in *ddcc met1-11*^{+/-} siliques at 3 d after pollination (DAP; n=127). The percentages of seeds with each type of endosperm are indicated. Black arrow indicates endosperm nucleus. ccn, central cell nucleus; ecn, egg cell nucleus. Bars, 50 μ m. (c) Seed set of hand-pollinated plants (6 DAP). Red and blue arrows indicate early- and late-aborted seeds, respectively. Bars, 1 mm.

Fig. S3 Loss of DNA methylation does not affect pollen viability in *Arabidopsis*. (a) Anther morphology of Col-0, *met1-11*, *ddcc*, *ddcc met1-10^{+/-}*, and *ddcc met1-11^{+/-}* plants as observed using cryo-SEM. Bars, 100 μ m. (b) Pollen activity of Col-0, *met1-11^{+/-}*, *met1-11*, *ddcc*, *ddcc met1-10^{+/-}*, and *ddcc met1-11^{+/-}* plants as determined by Alexander dye staining. Bars, 100 μ m. (c) Percentages of normal and phenotypically abnormal pollens observed in Col-0, *met1-11^{+/-}*, *met1-11*, *ddcc*, and *ddcc met1^{+/-}* mutant plants. For each genotype, at least 1000 pollen grains were examined.

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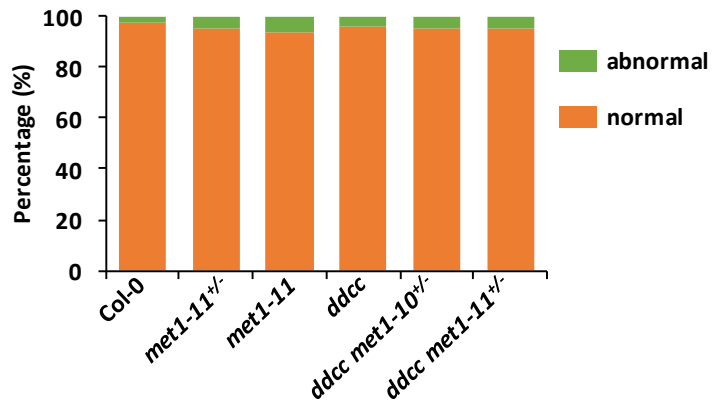
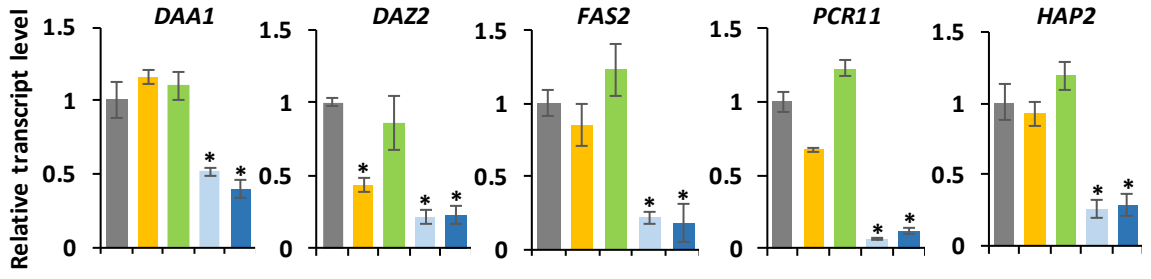
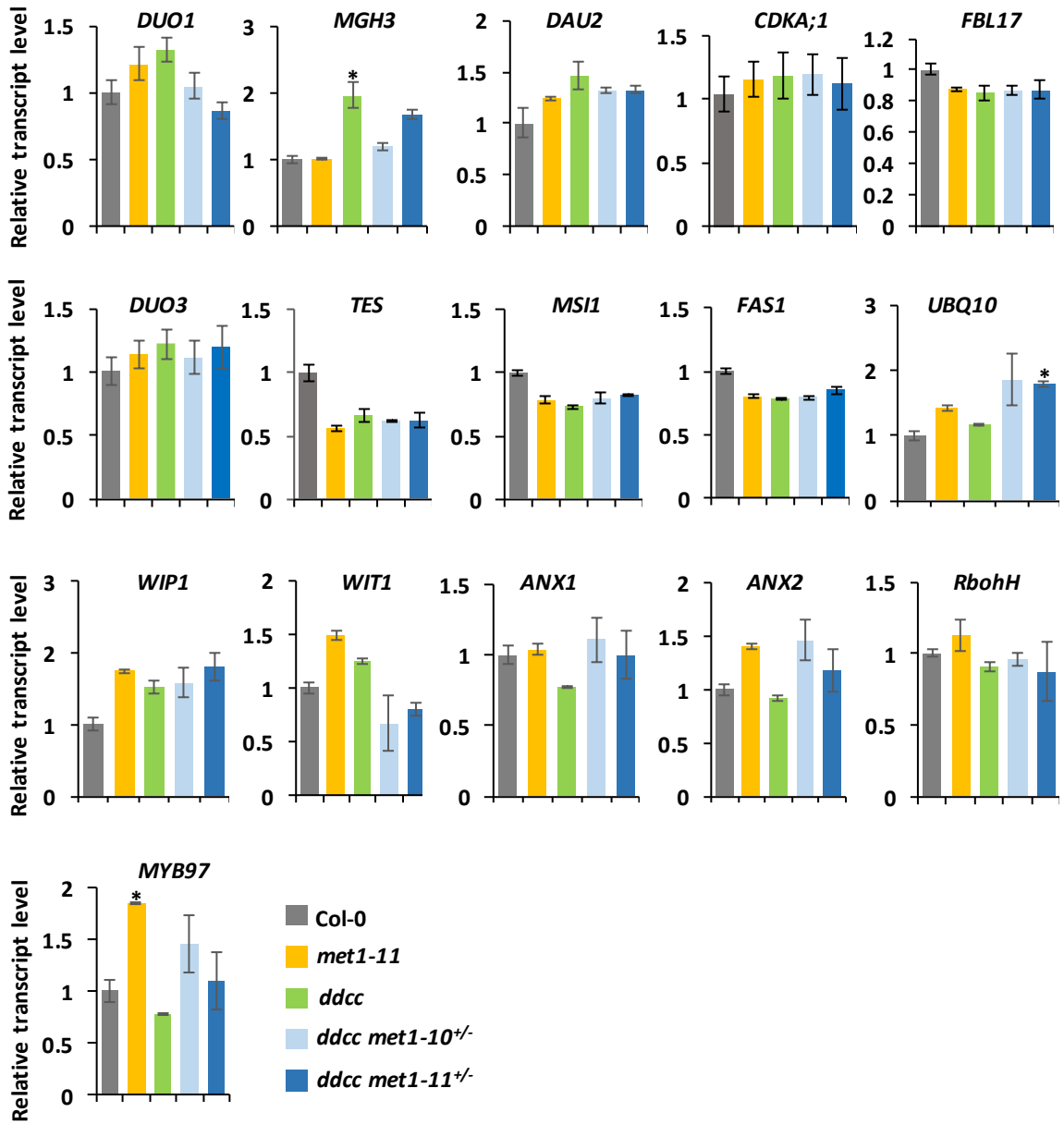


Fig. S4 Loss of DNA methylation in *Arabidopsis* leads to the downregulation of some genes involved in pollen development and fertilization in mature pollens. (a) Transcript levels of genes that are significantly down-regulated in mature pollen of the *ddcc met1*^{+/-} plants. Data represent the mean ± SD of three biological replicates. Asterisks indicate significant differences between Col-0 and the indicated mutants (P < 0.05, two-tailed Student's *t*-test). **(b)** Transcript levels of genes that have little change in mature pollens of the *ddcc met1*^{+/-} plants. *DUO1*, *MGH3*, *DAU2*, *CDKA;1*, *FBL17*, *DOU3*, *TES*, *MS11*, and *FAS1* are specifically expressed in the sperm cell; *UBQ10*, *WIP1*, and *WIT1* are specifically expressed in the vegetative cell; *ANX1*, *ANX2*, *RbohH*, and *MYB97* are genes that regulate pollen tube bursting. Data represent the mean ± SD of three biological replicates. Asterisks indicate significant differences between Col-0 and the indicated mutants (P < 0.05, two-tailed Student's *t*-test). **(c)** Snapshot in the Integrated Genome Browser showing the levels of DNA methylation at loci *DAA1*, *DAZ2*, *FAS2*, *PCR11*, and *HAP2* in the indicated genotypes. *big*: *ddcc met1-11*^{+/-}-*big*; *small*: *ddcc met1-11*^{+/-}-*small*.

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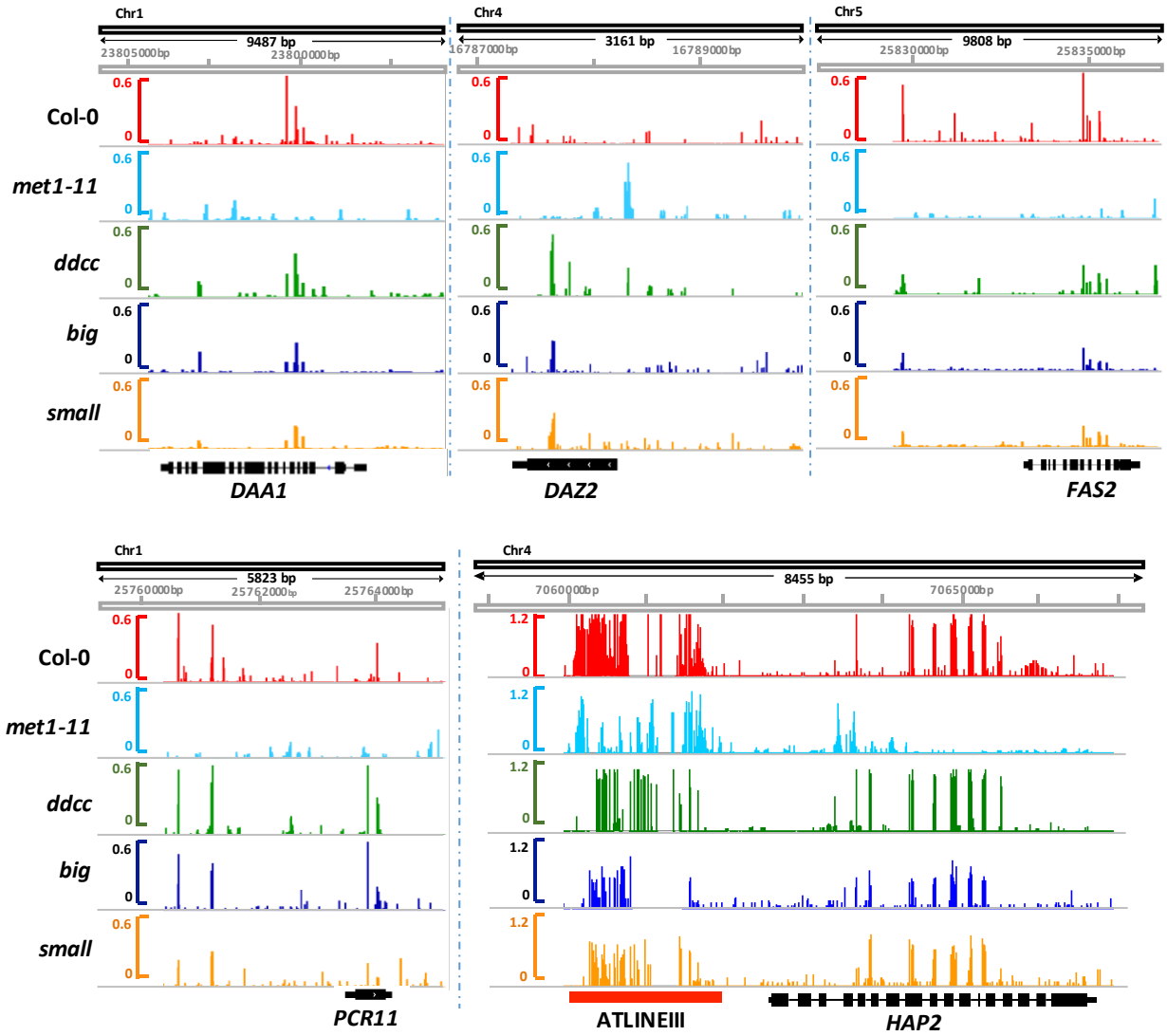


Fig. S5 Loss of DNA methylation leads to global changes of gene expression in *Arabidopsis* seedlings. (a) Up- and down-regulated genes and transposable elements (TEs) in seedlings of different genotypes. (b) Overlap of up- and down-regulated genes and TEs between the ‘big’ and ‘small’ plants of *ddcc met1-11*^{+/-}. The overlap was tested using Fisher's exact test.

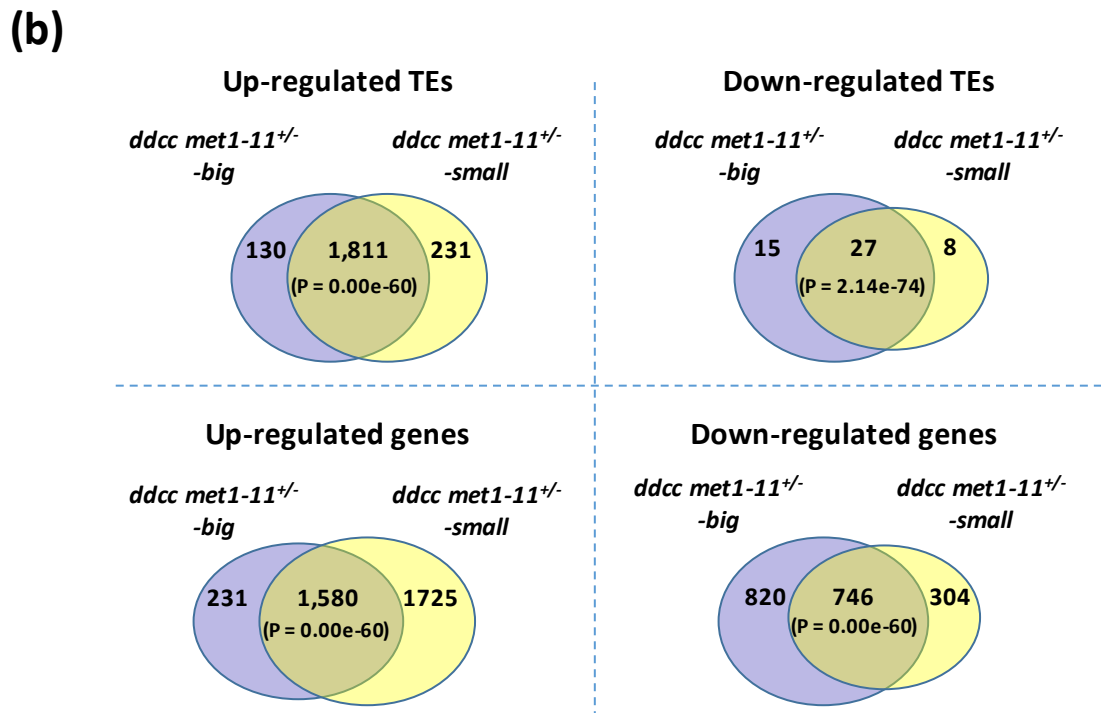
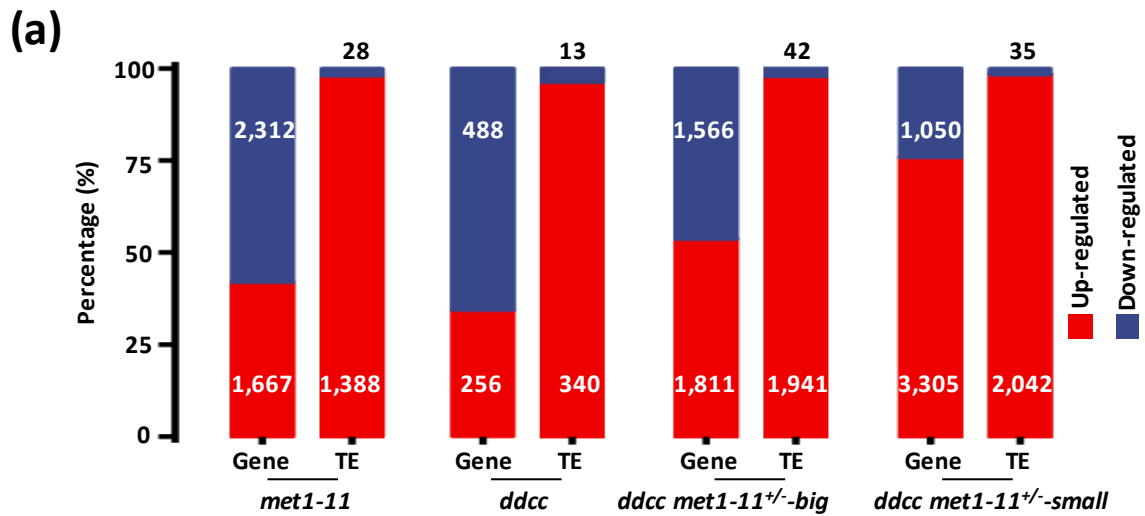


Fig. S6 The up-regulation of cell cycle-, DNA replication- and DNA repair-related genes in *Arabidopsis ddc met1-11*^{+/-} seedlings is not due to loss of DNA methylation in the promoters of these genes. Plots of CG methylation levels in the promoter regions (2kb upstream of transcription start sites) of cell cycle-, DNA replication- and DNA repair-related genes in Col-0 and the big and small plants of *ddc met1-11*^{+/-}.

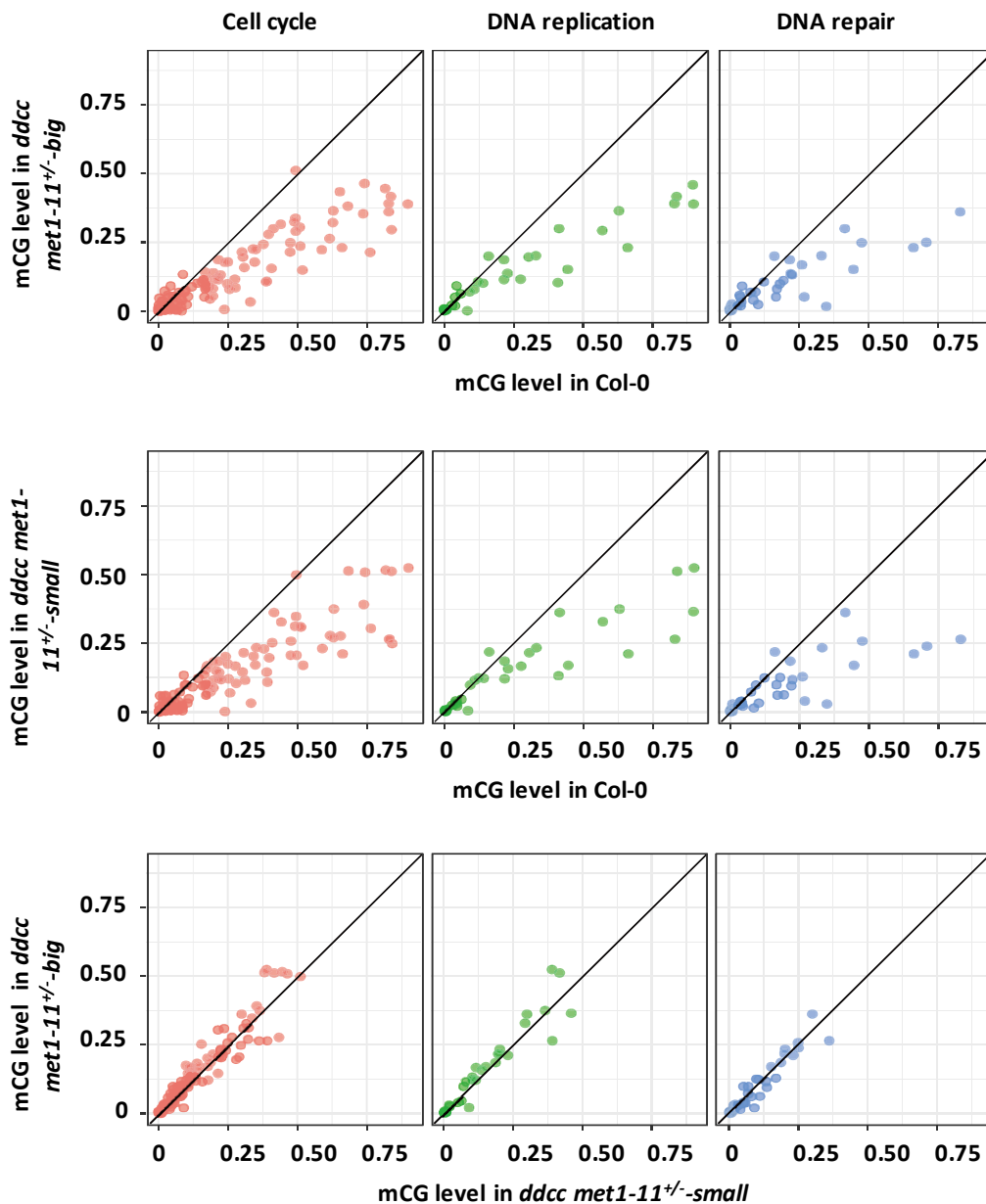
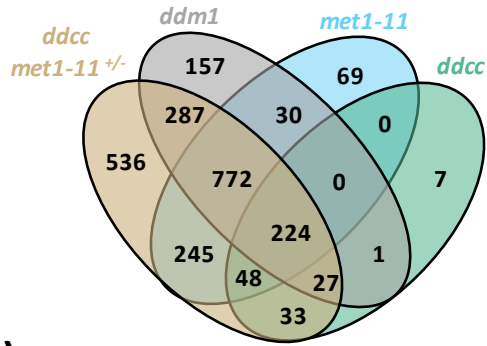
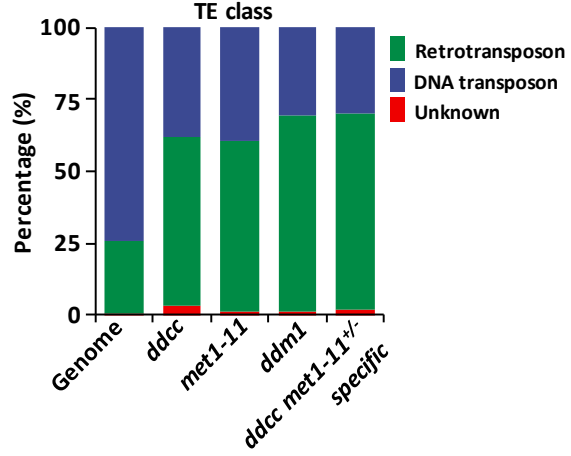


Fig. S7. The *Arabidopsis* *ddcc met1*^{+/-} mutations specifically activate a group of TEs. (a) Overlap of up-regulated transposable elements (TEs) in *ddcc met1-11*^{+/-} (activated TEs in the ‘big’ and ‘small’ plants combined), *met1-11*, *ddcc*, and *ddm1*. **(b)** Classification of the activated TEs in *ddcc*, *met1-11*, *ddm1* and TEs specifically activated in *ddcc met1-11*^{+/-} (536 TEs), The y axis represents the percentage of individual categories. **(c)** Proportions of different transposon superfamilies in activated TEs in *ddcc*, *met1-11*, *ddm1* and TEs specifically activated in *ddcc met1-11*^{+/-} (536 TEs). **(d)-(g)** Enrichment scores of TE families of activated TEs in *ddcc* (d), *met1-11* (e), *ddm1* (f), and TEs specifically activated in *ddcc met1-11*^{+/-} (g). Each enrichment score was calculated as the ratio of the percentage of a certain TE family in activated TEs to that in all TEs. Numbers in the bars indicate the absolute numbers of activated TEs in the corresponding family. The red dotted line marks the point of overrepresentation (enrichment score >1). **(h)** Genome browser representation of RNA-seq and WGBS data for *AT1TE44535*, *AT2TE21060*, and *AT5TE38645*, showing transcript and methylation levels of these TEs in Col-0, *met1-11*, *ddcc*, and *ddcc met1-11*^{+/-}. *big*: *ddcc met1-11*^{+/-}-*big*; *small*: *ddcc met1-11*^{+/-}-*small*.

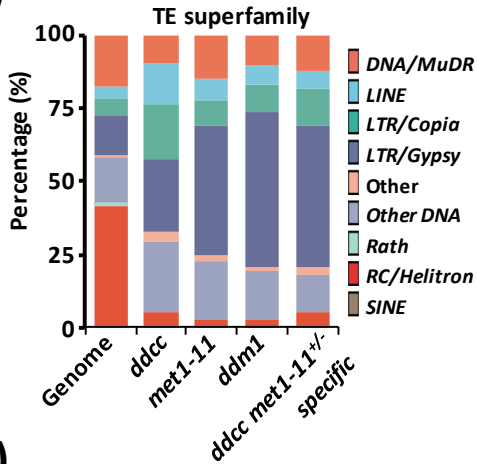
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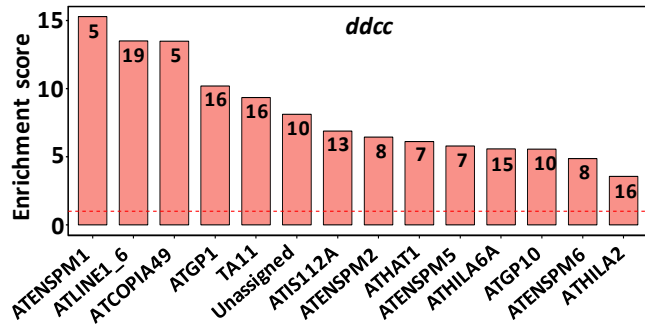
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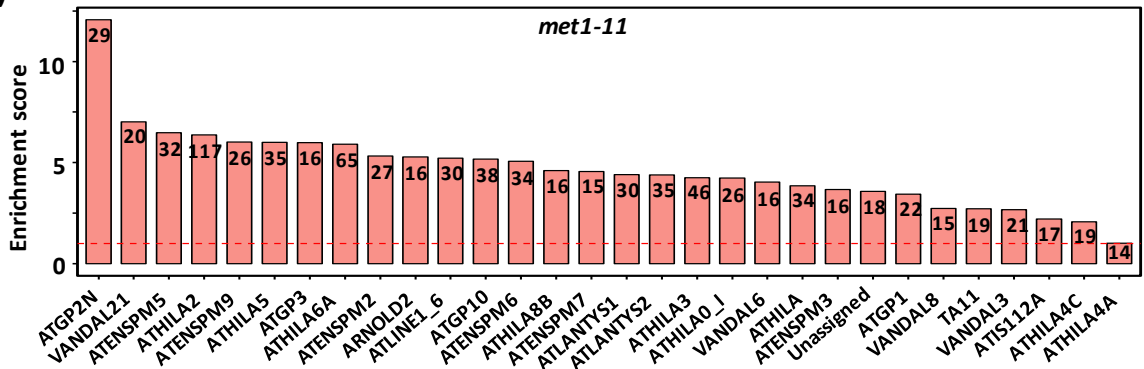
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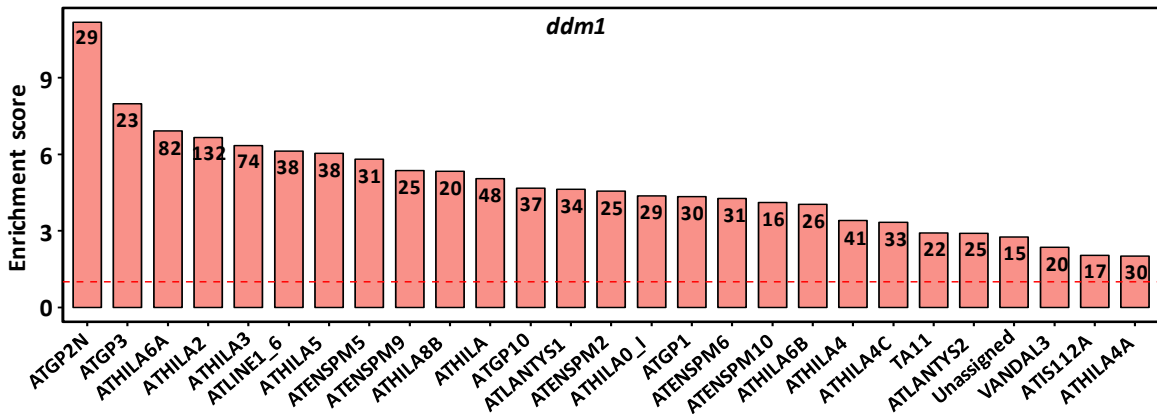
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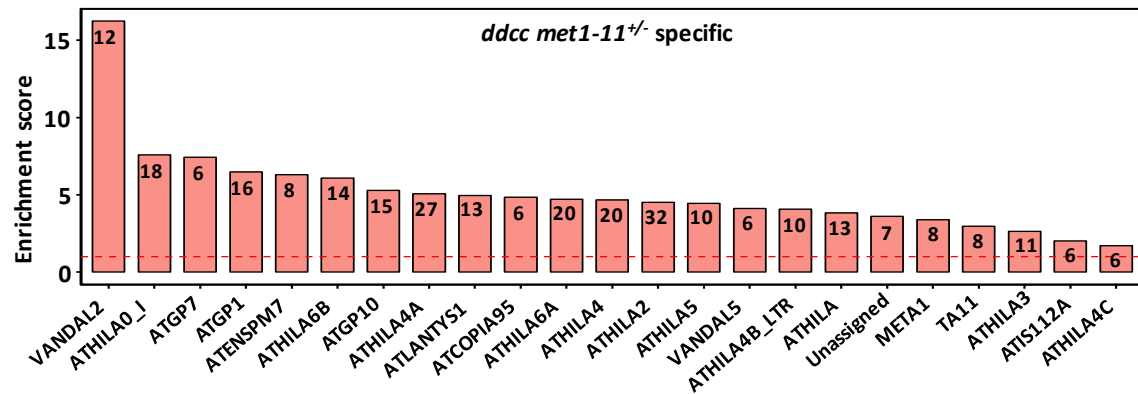
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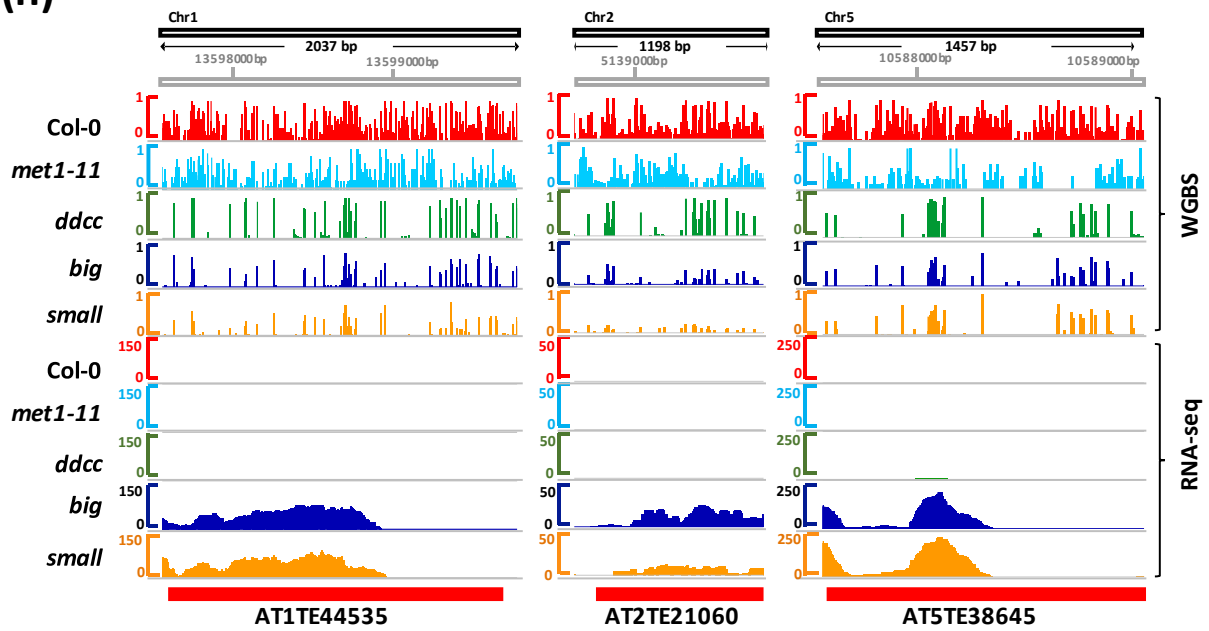


Fig. S8 CG and non-CG DNA methylation synergistically regulate chromocenter condensation in *Arabidopsis*.

(a) DAPI (4', 6-diamidino-2-phenylindole) staining patterns of different types of nuclei. Type I nuclei have six to ten conspicuous, round chromocenters. Type II nuclei have elongated chromocenters and irregularly shaped regions with strong DAPI staining. Type III nuclei have few and small chromocenters. Bars, 2 μm .

(b) Percentages of three types of nuclei in the indicated plants. The error bars represent the SD of three independent experiments. Different letters indicate significant differences ($P < 0.05$, Fisher's Exact Test).

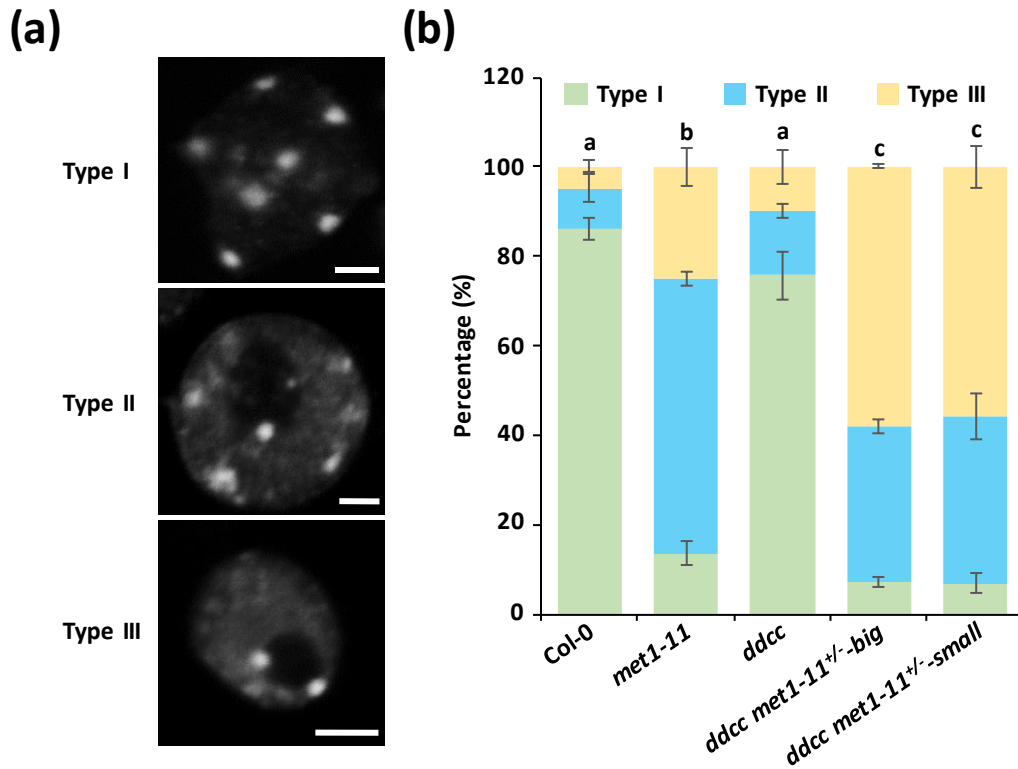


Table S1. Primers and sgRNAs used in this study.

Primer name	Sequence (5'-3')	Purpose
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MET1-11-sg-F	ATTGATTAGCAGCTAAACTAACTG	
MET1-11-sg-R	AAACCAGTTAGTTT AGCTGCTAAT	
Cas9-F1	GCTGTTTCTGCTCATTATCCTC	
Cas9-R1	ATTTCCAGTTTTACAAAGTGCG	
U6-26p-F	TGTCCCAGGATTAGAATGATTAGGC	
U6-29p-R	AGCCCTCTTCTTTTCGATCCATCAAC	
U6-29p-F	TTAATCCAAACTACTGCAGCCTGAC	
ACTIN2-F	AACTCTCCCGCTATGTATGTCCG	
ACTIN2-R	AACCCTCGTAGATTGGCACA	
ANX1-F	GGTTTTAATCGGTGCCTTGTG	
ANX1-R	TCCCTGAGATGGTTGATTTGG	
ANX2-F	CTTCTGTGAATTCCAGCTTGC	
ANX2-R	GATACCTTTCCACCTGTCC	
CDKA;1-F	GCCAAAAGCCCTTATTTCTCG	
CDKA;1-R	GTCCGTTGGTTTCCATTTAGG	
DAA1-F	GCGGATAAGATGGAGAAGGAG	
DAA1-R	GCATCGAAGTGCTTCAAATGG	
DAU2-F	TGGAGAAAACAGAGGAAAGCG	
DAU2-R	TTTGGTGAACGAGAAGGTGG	
DAZ2-F	CCGTTGCTTCATCCTCTAGTTC	
DAZ2-R	CCAAGACCAAAACTTTCTGCC	
DUO1-F	CTTCTCATCGACTCAAGGGC	
DUO1-R	ACCTCTTCTCAACCAAACC	
DUO3-F	TGAGTTTGAGTGTGAAGAGATGG	
DUO3-R	TCCTTGCCCTAGTTCTTTGCC	
FAS1-F	GCGCAAACTCTGGACTTTC	
FAS1-R	TGACTTTATGGTGCCTGATGG	
FAS2-F	TCGAAGATTGTCATGGTCACC	
FAS2-R	AGTGCAGGTCTTGAAAGGTC	
FBL17-F	CTGCATAAGTTCAAGTTCAAGTCC	
FBL17-R	CCAAGTCCACATAAAACACCAG	
HAP2-F	GTTTGATTGCTCCAAAGGCG	
HAP2-R	GAGTCCTTGAGTATAGCTGTGC	
MGH3-F	AACTGCGAGGAAATCTACTGG	
MGH3-R	TTTGCGGATCTCACGAAGAG	
MSII-F	GGAGTAAGTTCAAGCAGGGTC	

MSI1-R	ACATCTTCCACAACCCCTTC	Real-time PCR
MYB97-F	ATCATACAACCTCCACTCTCAGC	
MYB97-R	CTCGTTATCTGTTCTGCCTGG	
MYB120-F	GTAACAAATGGGCTCGCATG	
MYB120-R	GGATGGAGTTGATGGTTAGGG	
PCR11-F	AGCCCAATACAATCTCAAGGAG	
PCR11-R	TCGTTCCATATCCCATGCC	
RBOHH-F	AGCTTACGGTTCCTTGATCG	
RBOHH-R	ACTCCATTGTGTCTCCATTC	
TES-F	CAGTCTCAGGGAAATAGCAGG	
TES-R	ACTACGGTTAATGTGGCTTCC	
UBQ10 -F	CCAAGATCCAAGACAAAGAGGG	
UBQ10-R	TGAGAACAAGATGAAGGGTGG	
WIP1-F	TTAACAGAGGCCATCAACGG	
WIP1-R	TGAATTTGCTTCGCTGACTTG	
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CDKB2;1-F	AGAGTCTCCCTGAAAGATTGC	
CDKB2;1-R	GTGCCACCCATTACTCTACAG	
CYCD3;3-F	AGATTGGTATACAGCTTCGTCAC	
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