

**Title:** Robustness of gene expression rhythmicity can be used to identify new oscillator components

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## Methodology

**Rhythmicity Analysis:** Results of the JTK\_CYCLE and MetaCycle analyses performed in (1) (Romanowski *et al.*, 2020) and (2) (Bonnot and Nagel, 2021), respectively, were collected. BH.Q (1) and meta2d\_BH.Q (2) values obtained for the 9127 and 8028 genes identified as rhythmic in (1) and (2), respectively, were selected and transformed using  $-\log_{10}$ . In (2), nine genes exhibited a meta2d\_BH.Q value equal to 0, thus corresponding to an infinite value after  $-\log_{10}$  transformation. For these genes, the  $-\log_{10}$  value was set at 13 to facilitate comparison with other rhythmic genes. For Figure S1, amplitudes of oscillation correspond to the amplitude calculated by JTK\_CYCLE, for both (1) and (2). TFs were selected according to the list of TFs and TF families described in (Pruneda-Paz *et al.*, 2014). Members of the BBX subfamily were identified from the TAIR website (<https://www.arabidopsis.org/>). The Venn diagram and heatmap were generated with the 'eulerr' and 'pheatmap' R packages, respectively (Kolde, 2018; Larsson, 2024). The gene network was visualized using the CYTOSCAPE software v. 3.10.1 (Smoot *et al.*, 2011). Other plots were generated with the R package 'ggplot2' (Wickham, 2016).

**Expression Data Reanalysis:** For this, we downloaded raw RNA sequencing data for misexpression lines of eight TFs without discretion for experimental conditions and samples. The raw FASTQ files were quality checked for adaptor contamination using the FastQC package and trimmed using the Fastp package if contamination was present (Chen *et al.*, 2018). The cleaned files were then aligned to the TAIR10 genome assembly using the HISAT2 alignment algorithm and further processed with SAM tools (Li *et al.*, 2009; Kim *et al.*, 2019; Yates *et al.*, 2022). To maintain consistency in data processing, double-stranded sequences were aligned using only the forward strand, which did not significantly affect alignment success. Count files were generated using summarizeOverlaps from the R package GenomicAlignments (Lawrence *et al.*, 2013). Genes with counts across samples less than 1 were filtered out, differential expression analysis was performed using the systemPipeR package (Backman and Girke, 2016). To account for the differences in experiment design across samples, comparisons were treated as independent, considering only experimental changes at the transcriptome level from WT to misexpressed lines for individual studies (Supplementary Dataset S1). Data were then filtered for differential expression of selected clock genes (Figure 1).

## Data availability

The datasets used for rhythmicity analysis are: (1), Romanowski *et al.*, 2020, (Table S3) and (2), Bonnot and Nagel 2021, (Supplemental Data Set S2). ChIP-seq datasets were obtained from (Adams *et al.*, 2018; Nagel *et al.*, 2015; Liu *et al.*, 2013, 2016; Kamioka *et al.*, 2016; Ezer *et al.*, 2017; Nakamichi *et al.*, 2012; Huang *et al.*, 2012) and DAP-Seq datasets were obtained from O'Malley *et al.*, 2016.

The datasets used for gene expression reanalysis are: (1), Wildtype (WT, Col-0) and 35S:*TZF1*, mock-treated samples (<https://bigd.big.ac.cn/gsa/browse/CRA015388>; (He *et al.*, 2024). (2), WT (Col-0) and *bbx28-5* (GSE217723), white light (WL), and simulated shade (SS) samples (Saura-Sánchez *et al.*, 2024). (3 and 4), WT (Col-0), 35S:*PIF4* and 35S:*PIF5* (GSE59699), mock-treated 16h samples, and low blue light (LBL) samples (Pedmale *et al.*, 2016). (5), WT (Col-0) and *pif4-101* mutant (GSE108162) (Ding *et al.*, 2018). (6 - 8), WT (Col-0) empty vector control (EV), *p35S:GR-CDF1*, *p35S:GR-HB6*, *p35S:GR-HYH*, and *p35S:GR-RAV1* (GSE117857), dexamethasone treated samples (Brooks *et al.*, 2019).

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