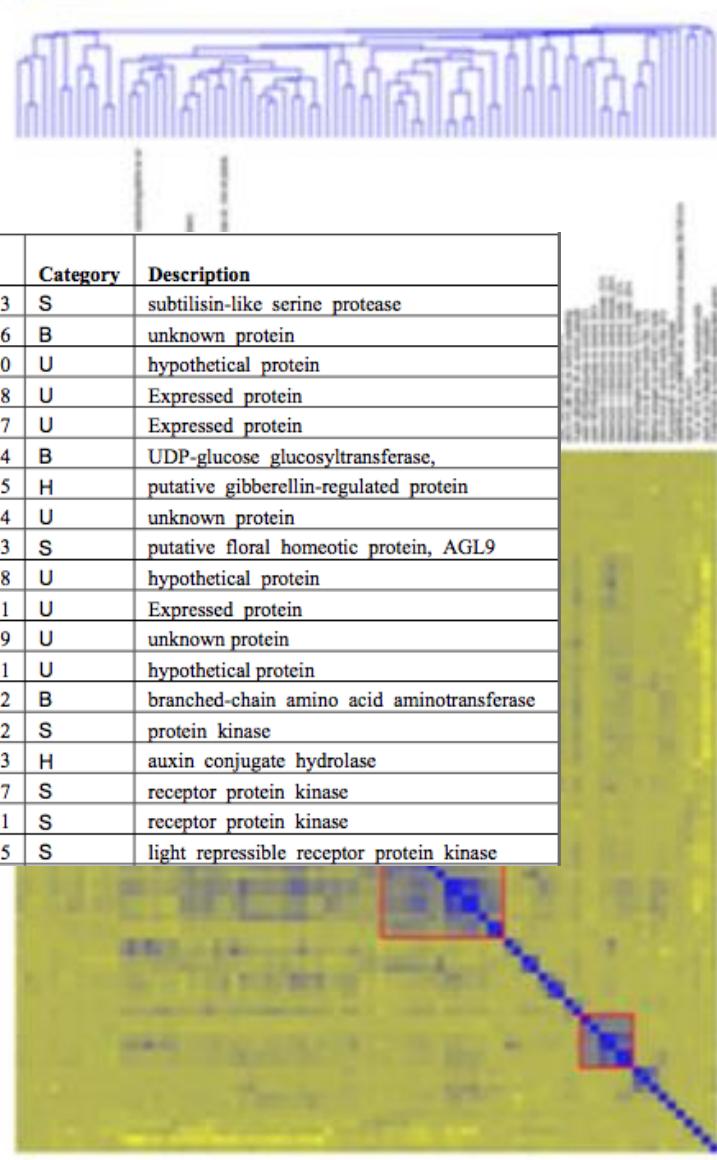
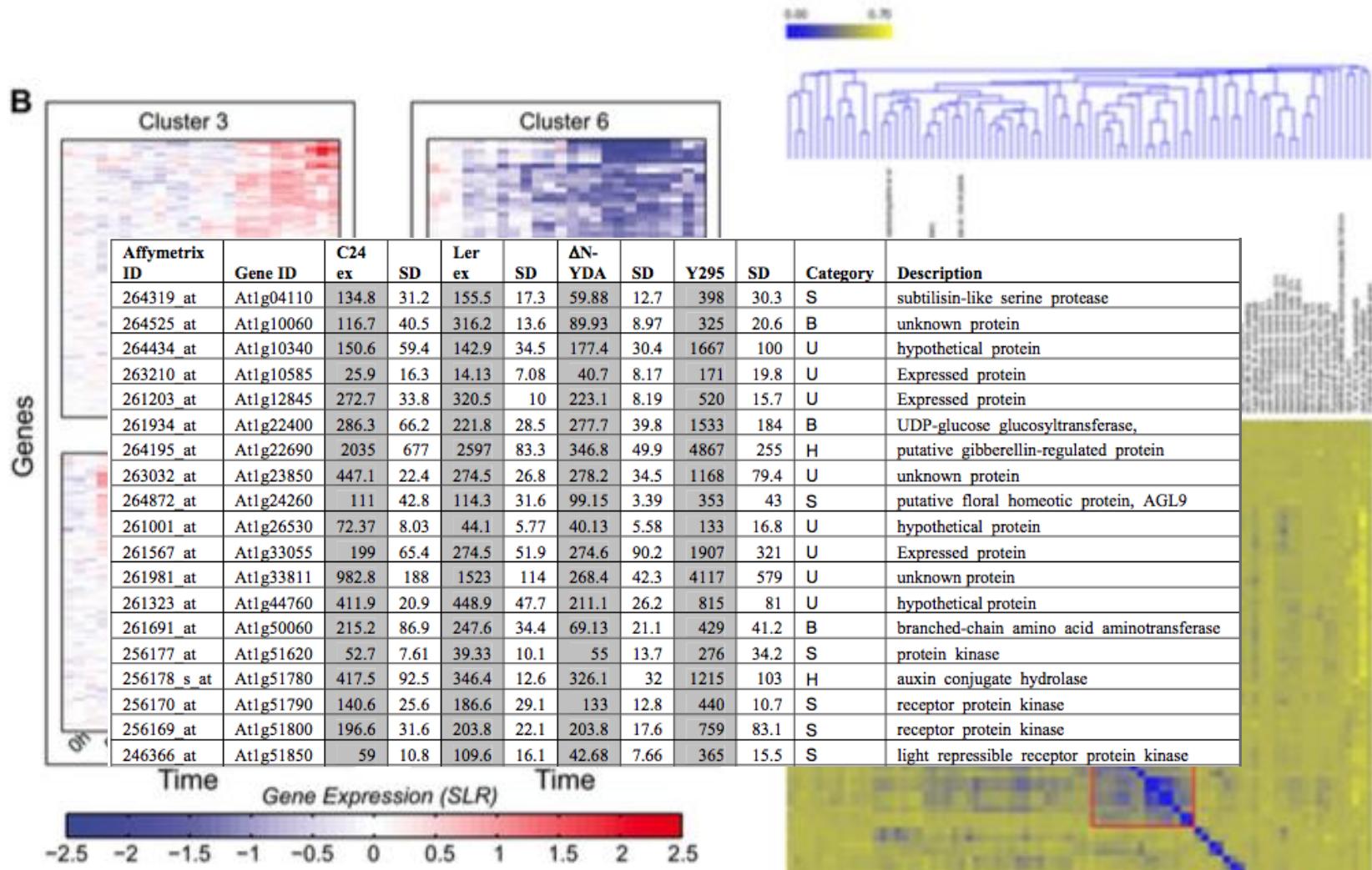


Using RNA-seq to identify new genes regulating a developmental process;
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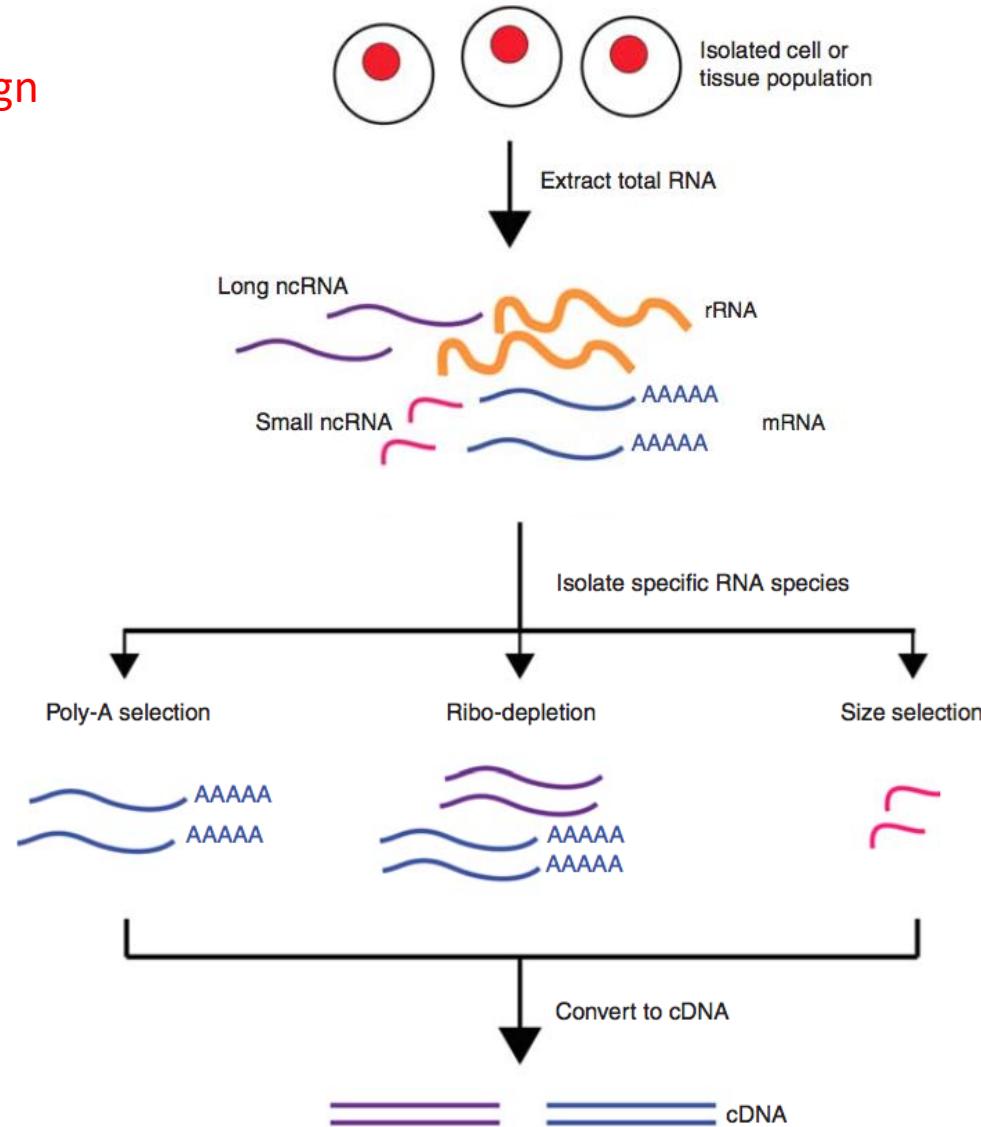
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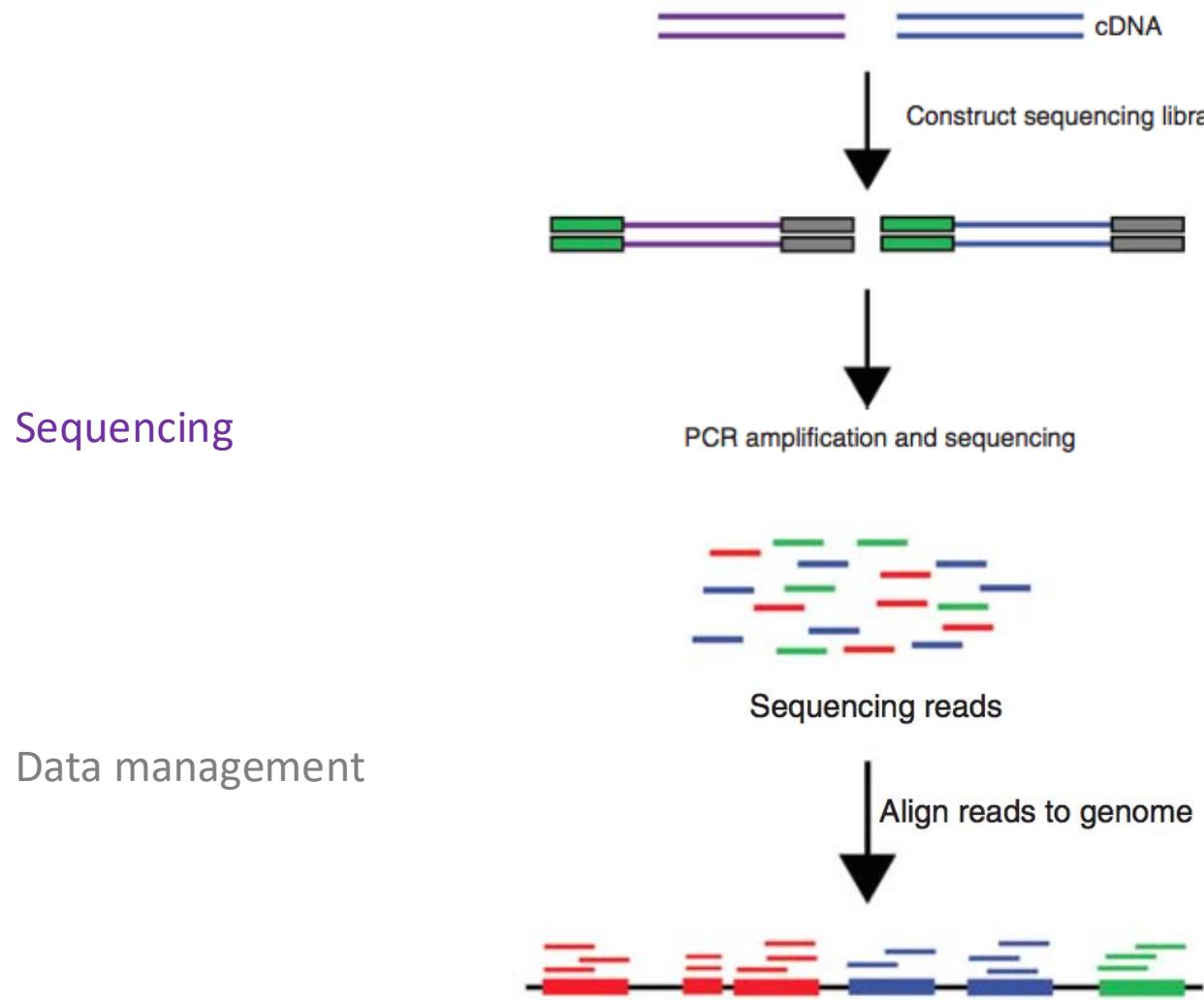


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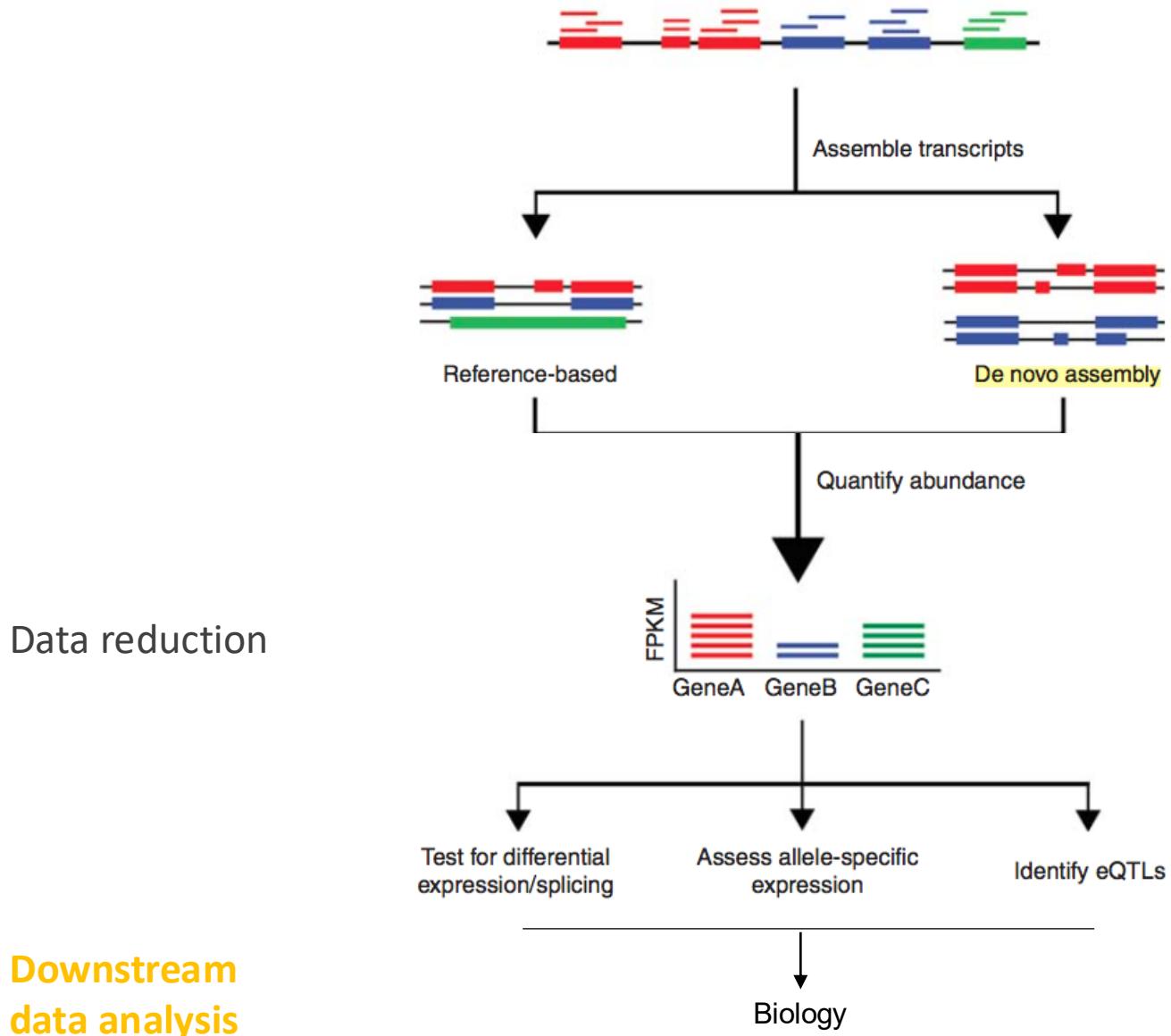
Experimental Design



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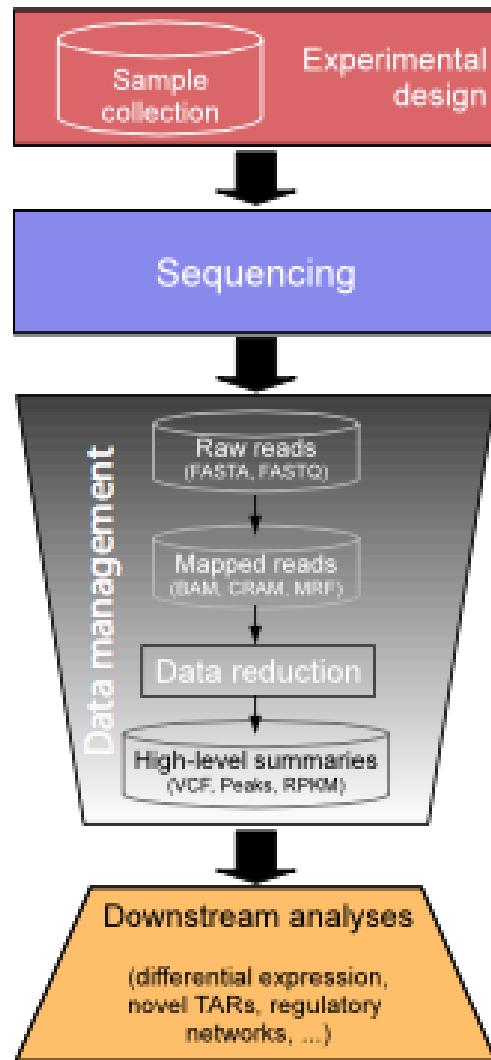


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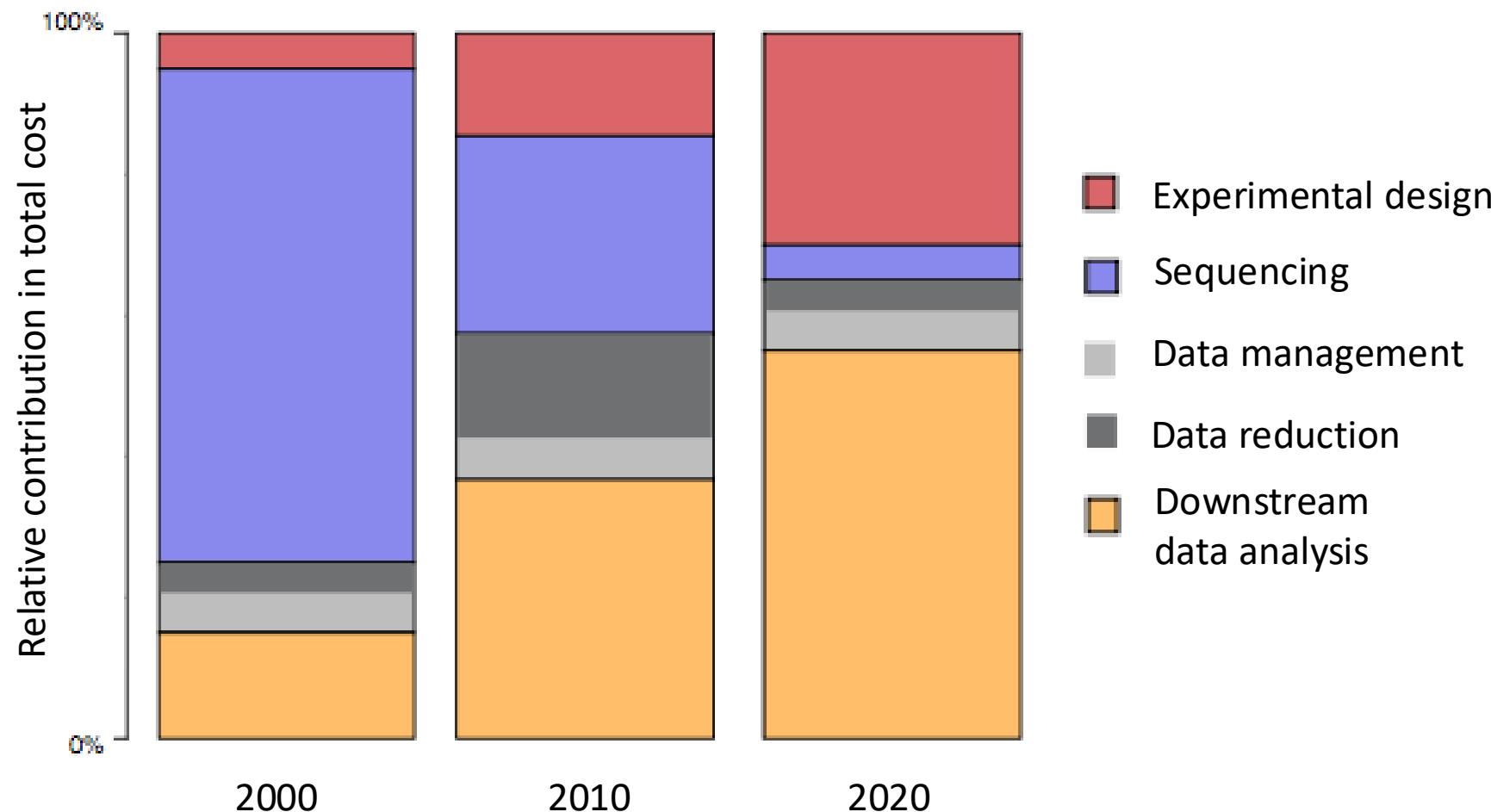
Summarized overview of \ transcriptional profiling

The four main steps in RNA-seq transcriptional profiling



Key steps in RNA-seq; experimental design and data analysis

The gap between "data generation" and "knowledge generation"



To detect new candidate genes regulating specific biological phenomena

Considerations on experimental design and data analysis

Increase successful further biological evaluation of the candidate genes

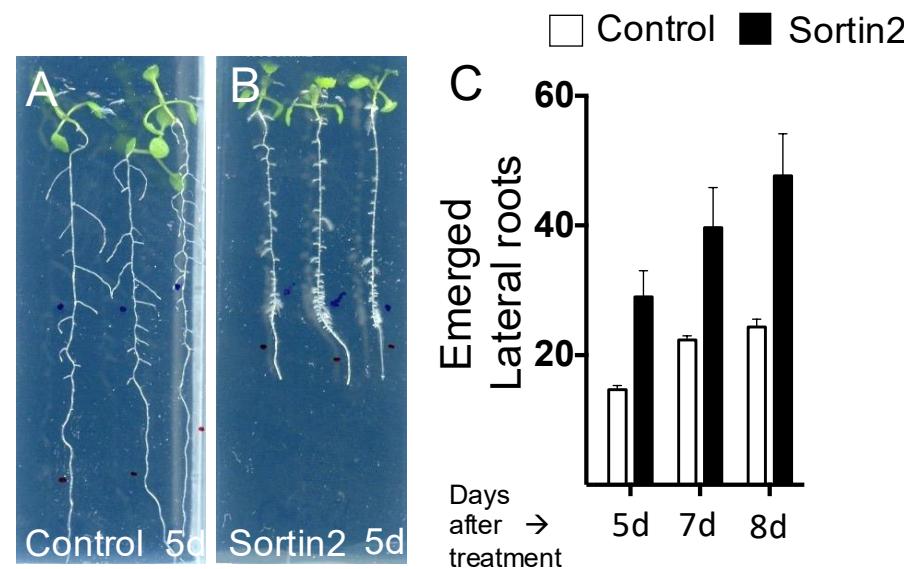
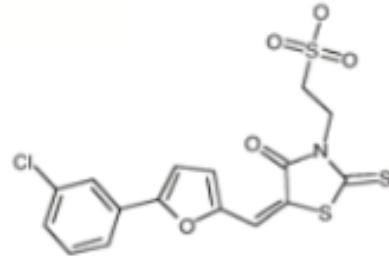
Two specific studies on cell specification

- Lateral root development
- Pavement cell formation



Experimental design and data analysis on
lateral root development

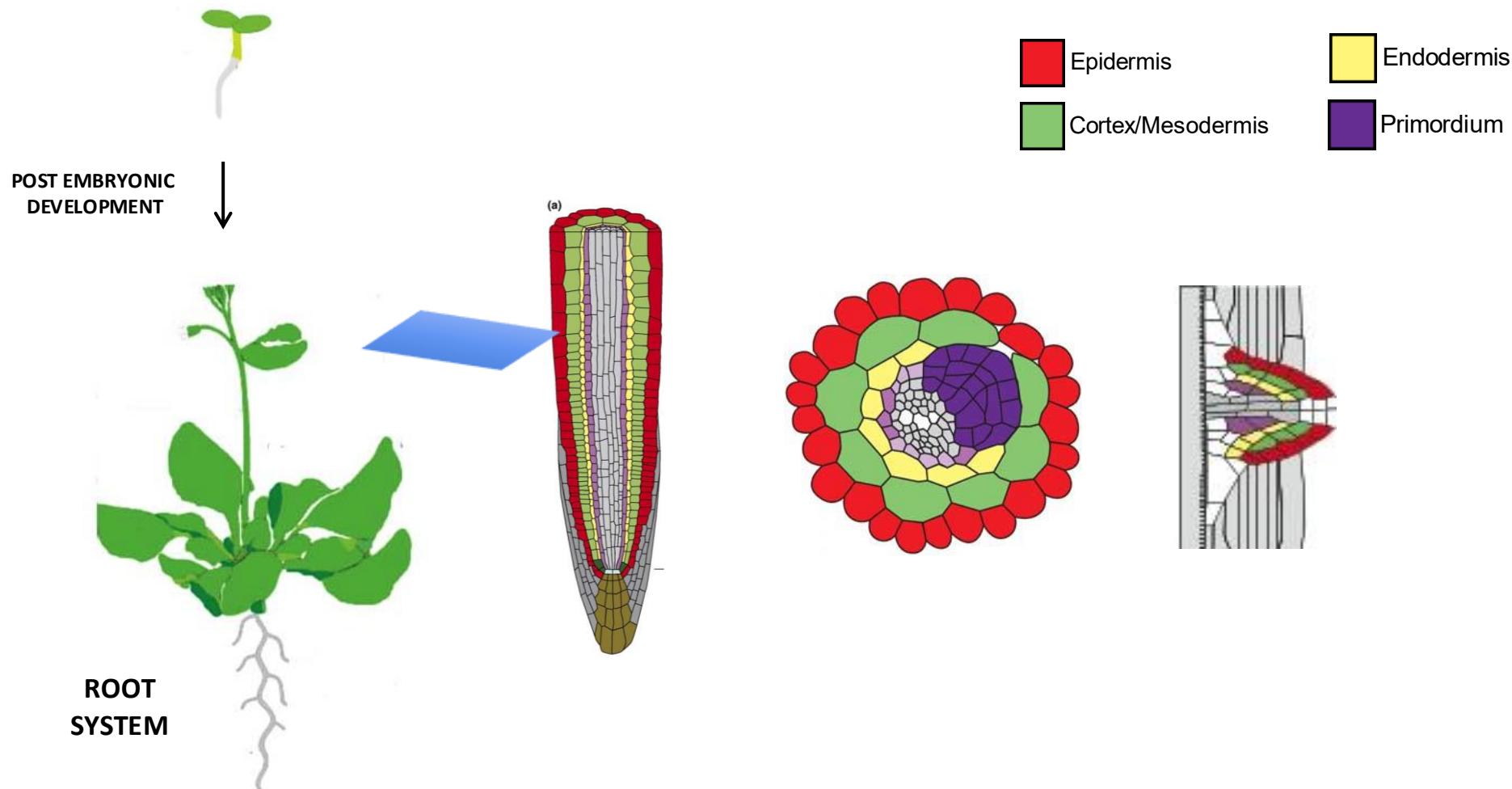
Soritn2 induces lateral roots in *A. thaliana*



Increased number of emerged lateral roots is observed in prolonged Sortin2 treatments

(A-B) 7-day old seedlings of *Arabidopsis* wild type Col-0 were treated during 5 days in solid medium with (A) Control (DMSO 1%) and (B) Sortin2 (25 µg/mL).
(C) Quantification of emerged lateral roots of seedlings treated as in A-B.

Root system architecture largely relies on the continuous process of lateral root initiation



Auxin is a key regulator of lateral root development

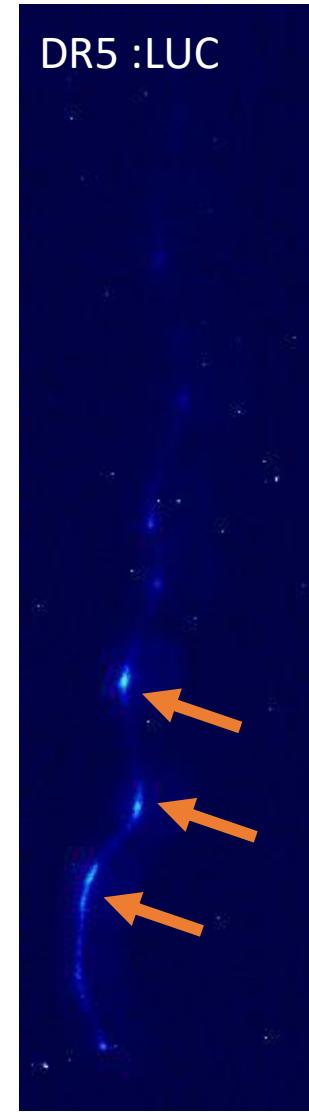
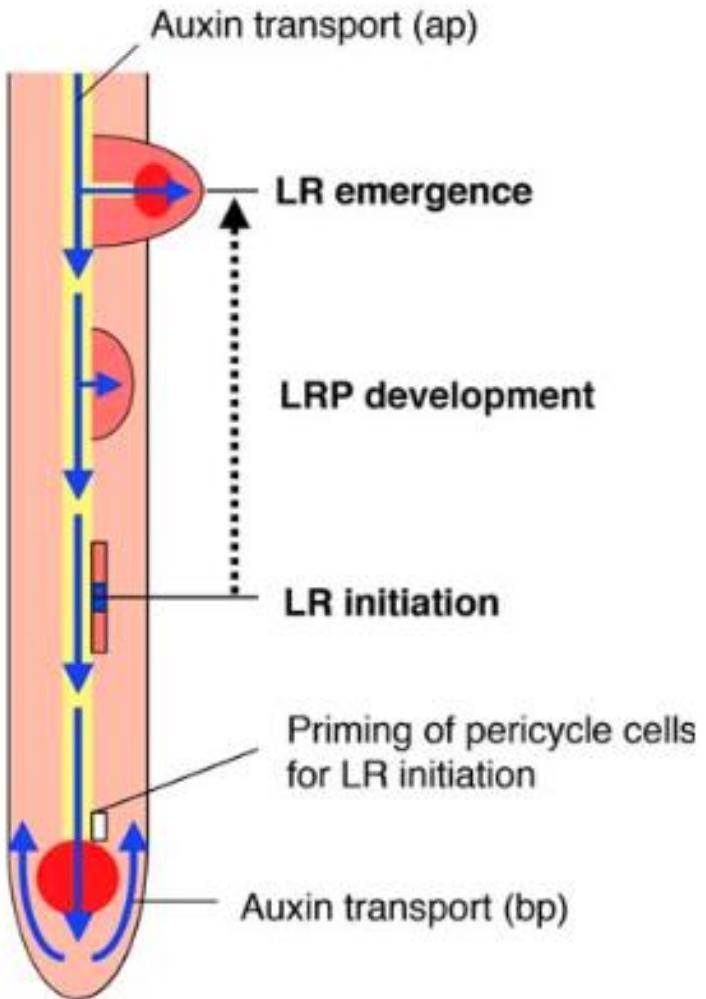
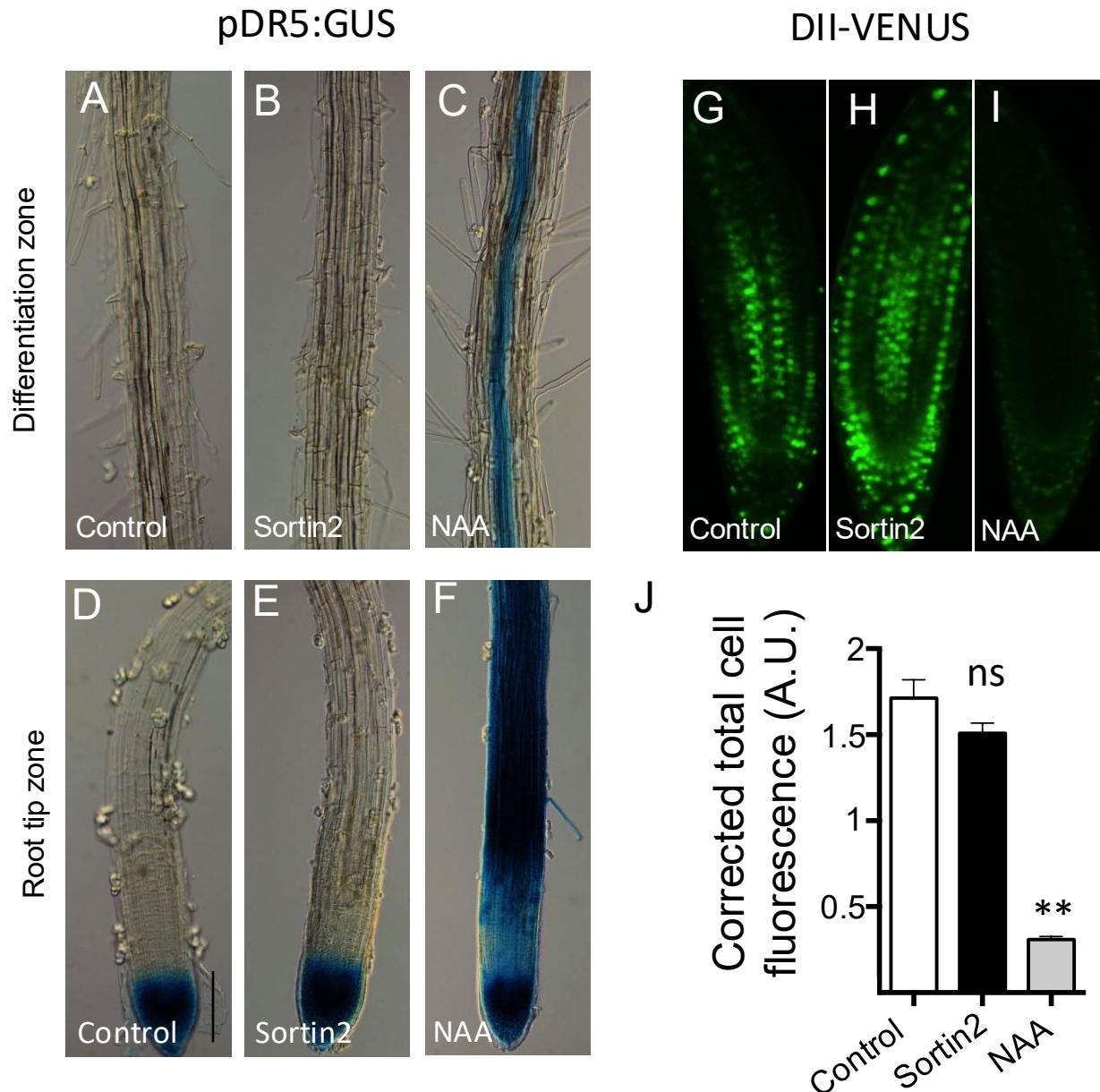


Fig. 1 Developmental events during LR formation.

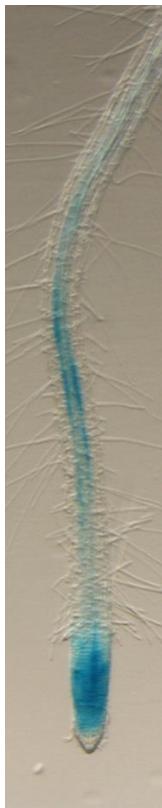
Comparative condition

Sortin2 and auxin signaling

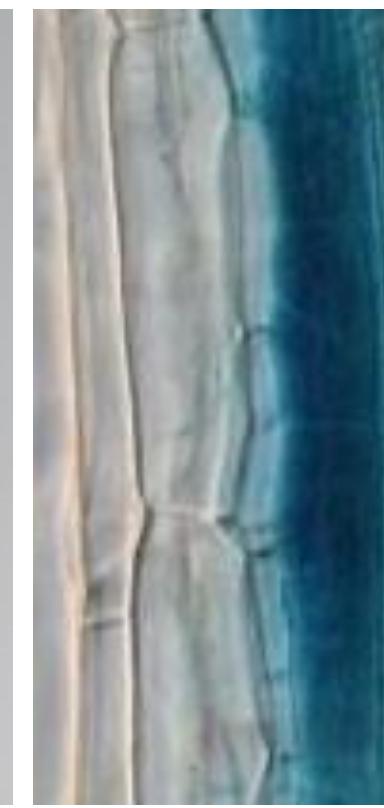
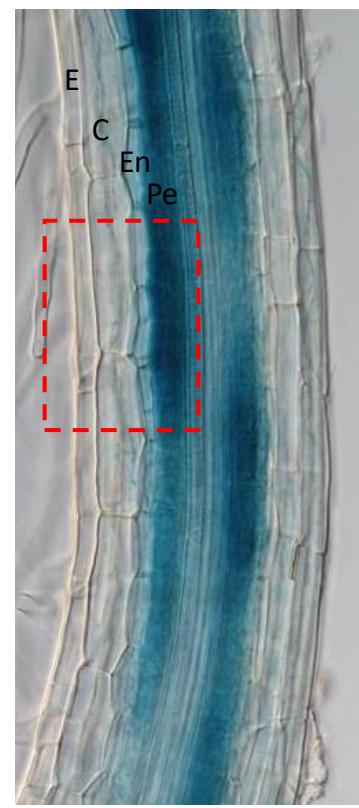
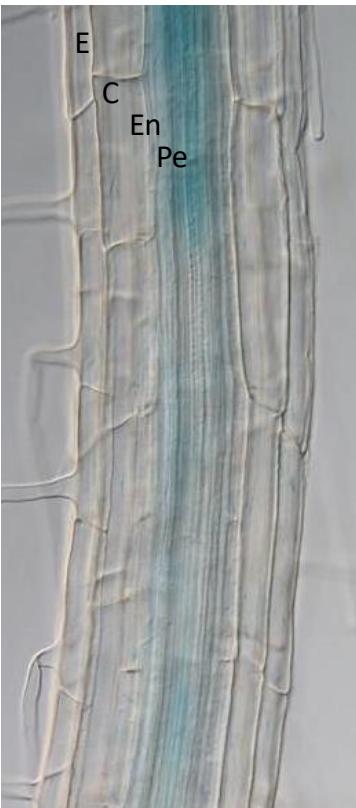


Sortin2 induces mitotic activity specifically on pericycle cells

Sortin2 - 12 h

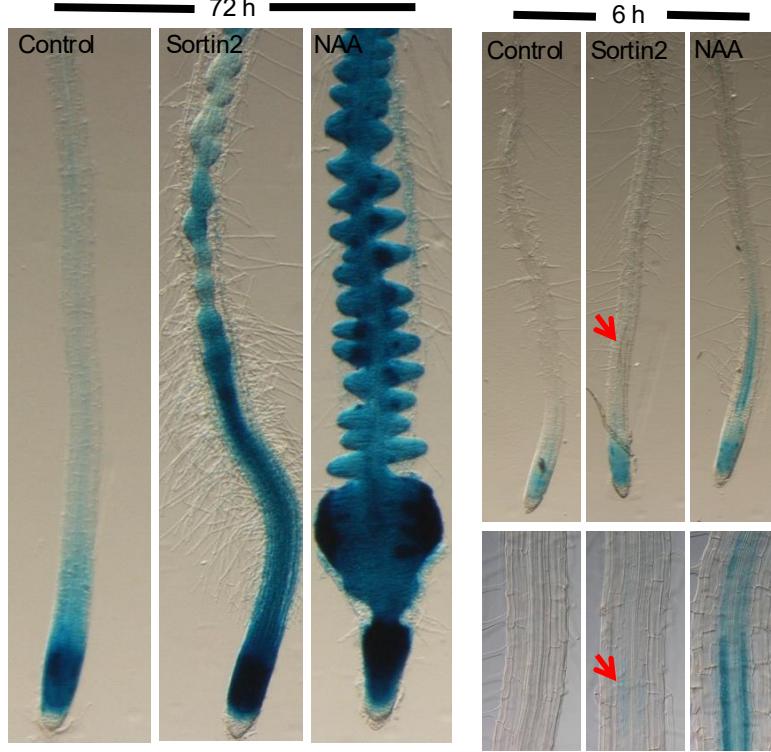


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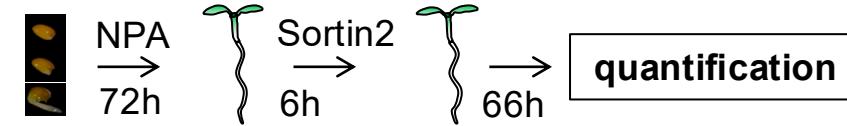


Sortin2 induces mitotic activity that leads to LR formation

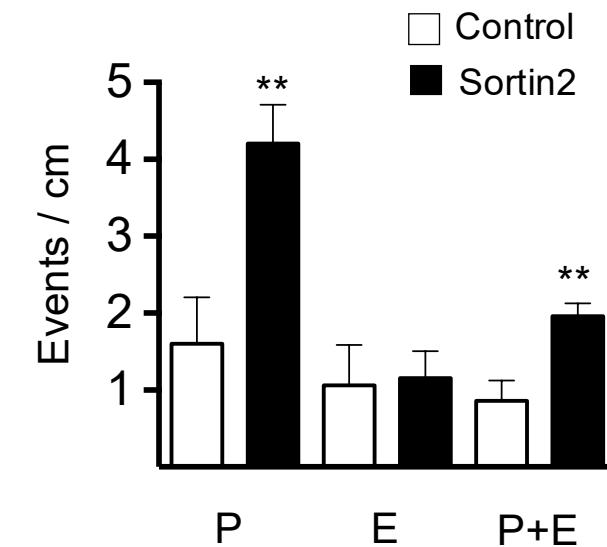
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B

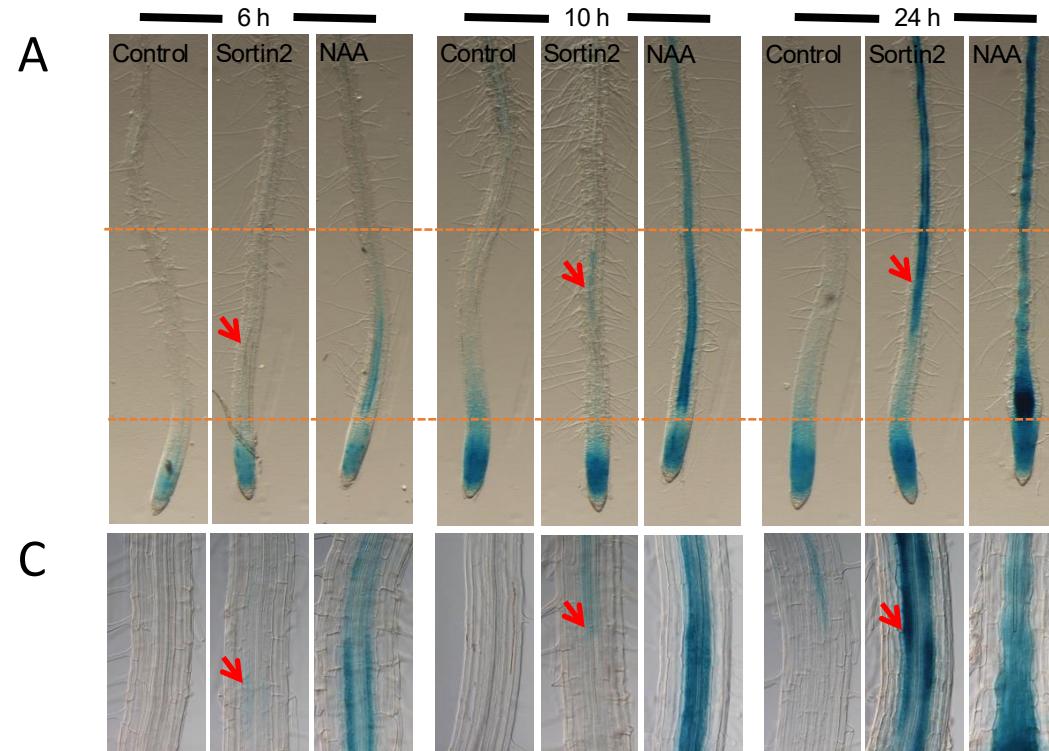


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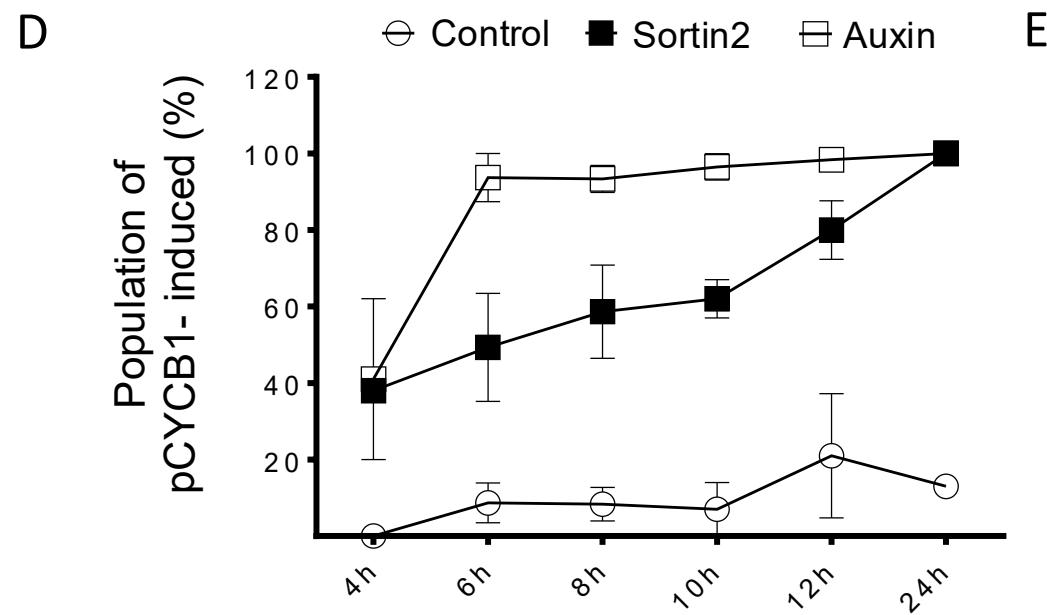


Time resolution

Time response on Sortin2 mitotic activity induction

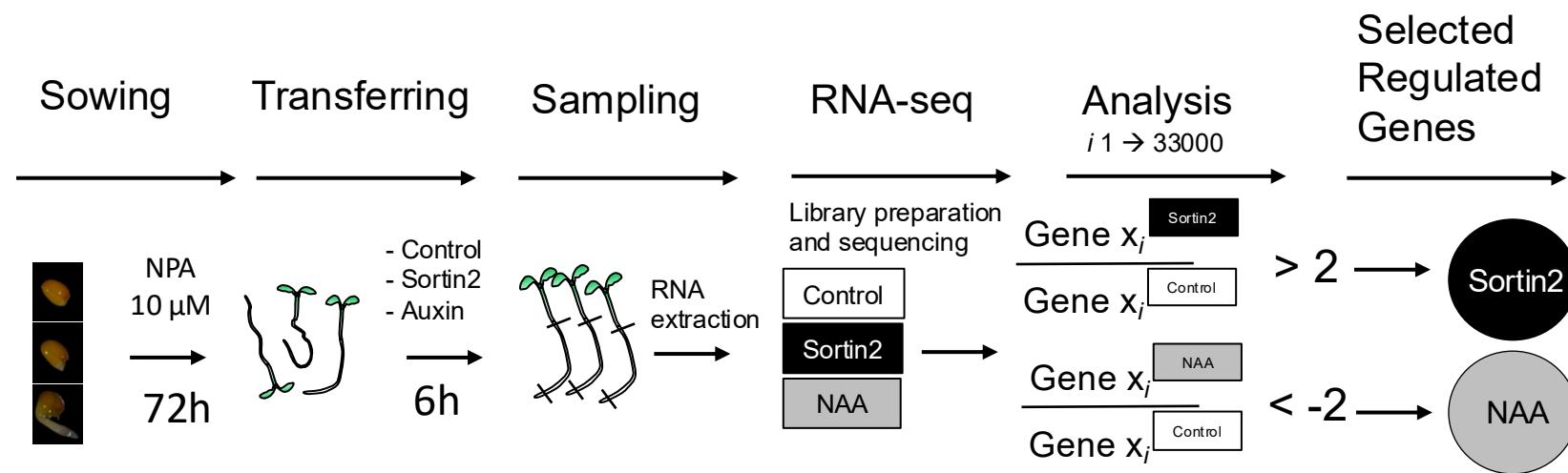


Time response on Sortin2 mitotic activity induction



Experimental design

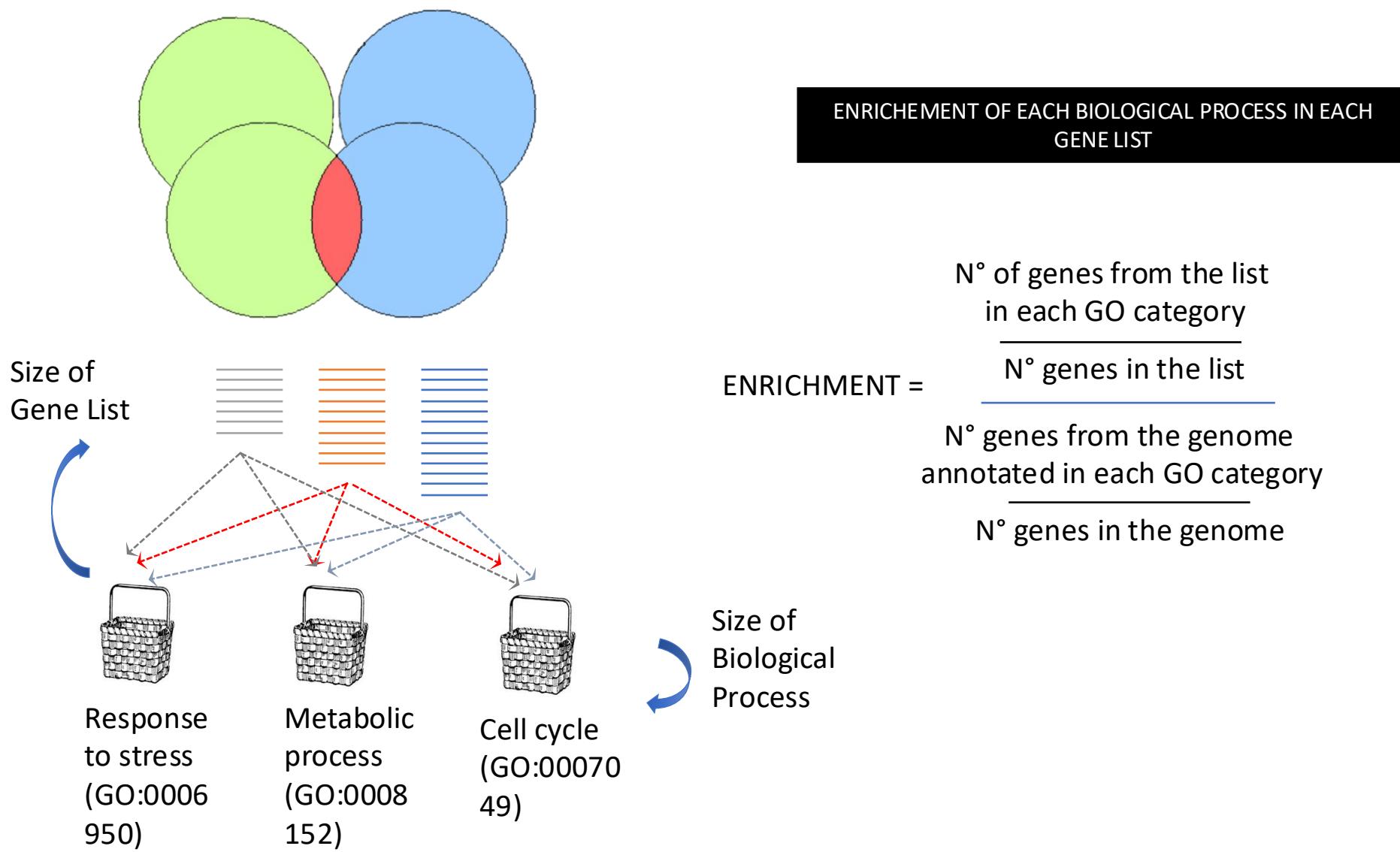
Workflow scheme for RNA sequencing



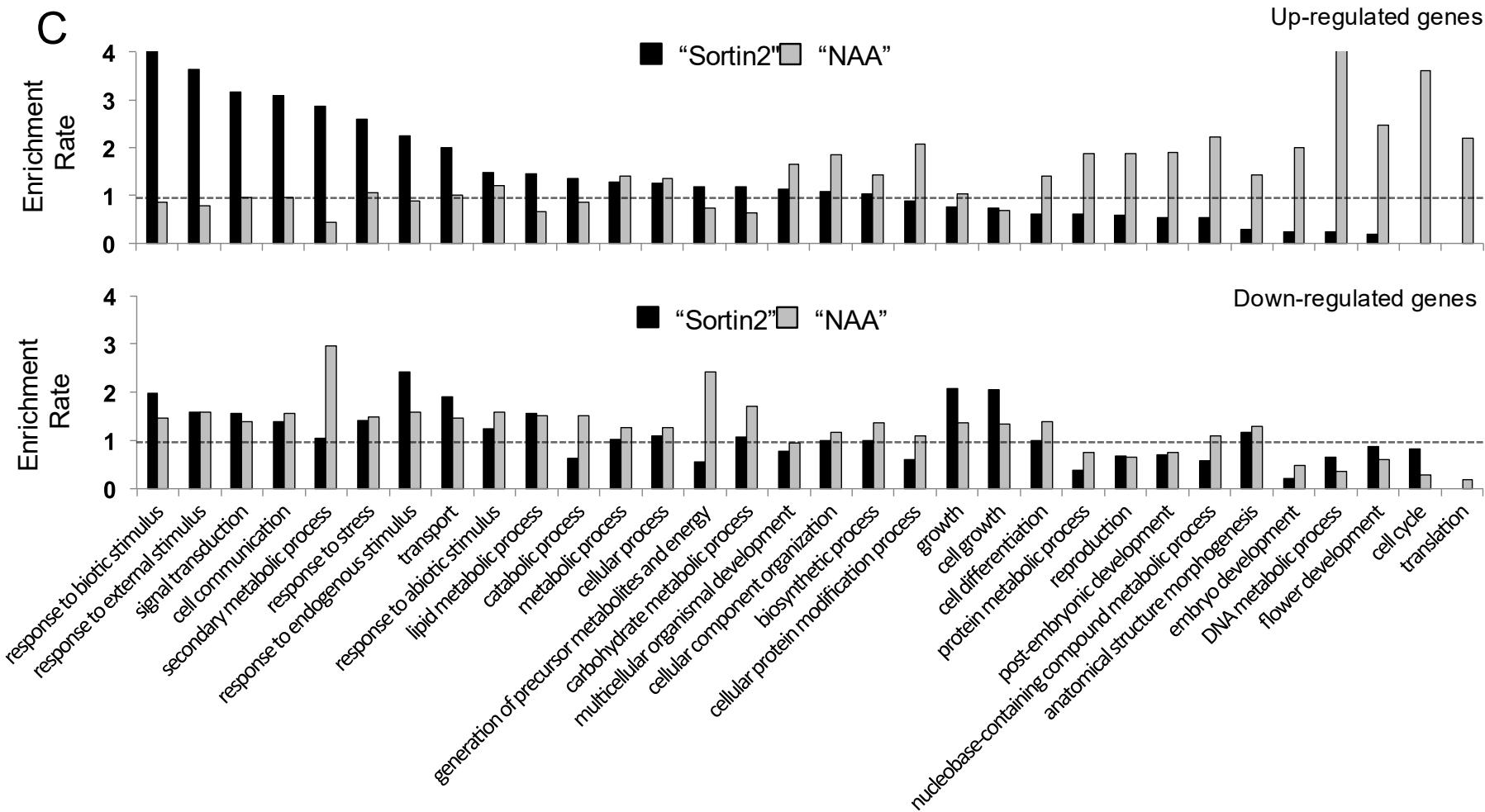
Overview of Sortin2 and NAA comparative transcriptional profile



Biological processes enrichment

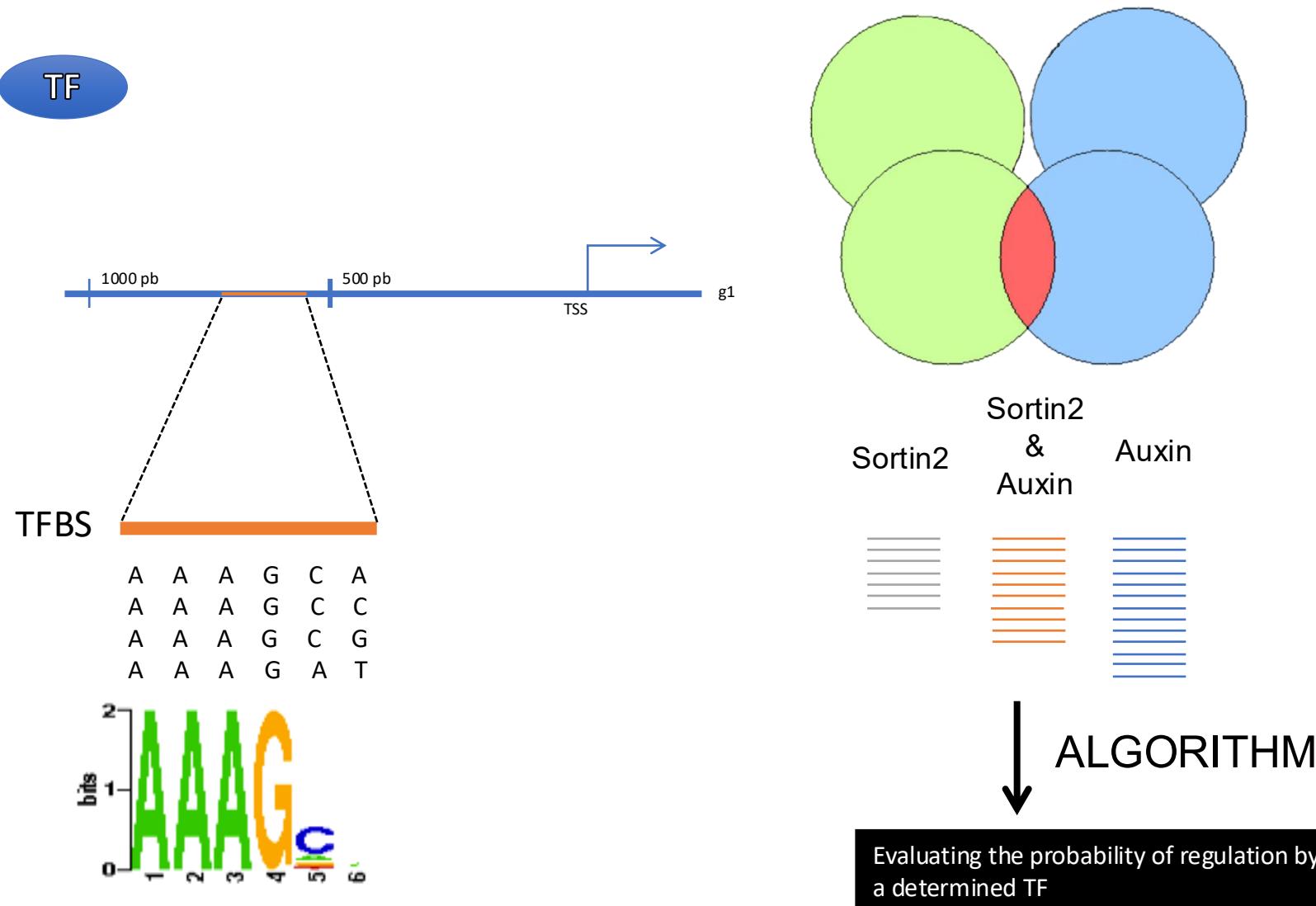


Comphenensive overview of biological processes represented among the Sortin2 and NAA transtriptional profiles



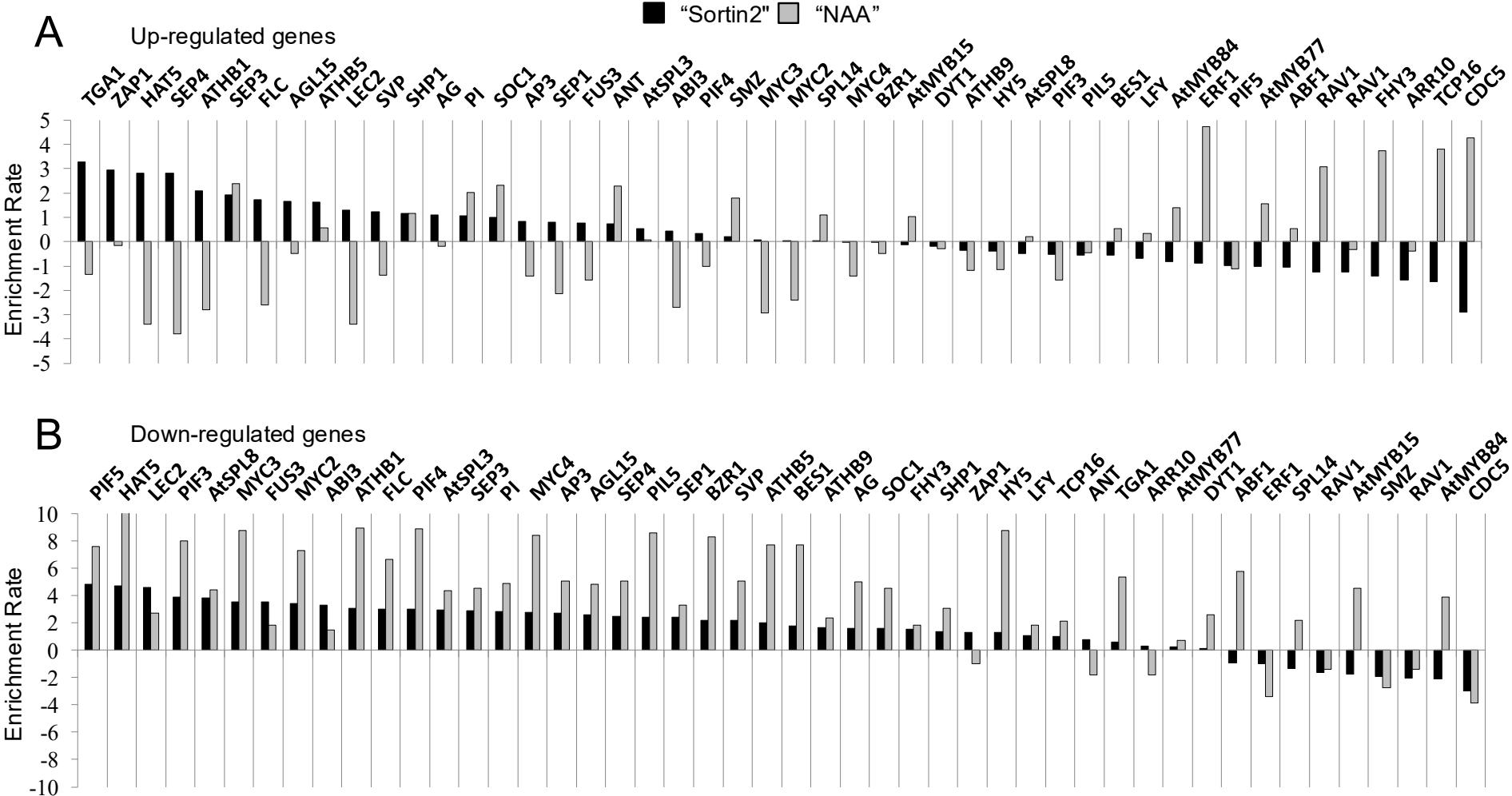
Finding overrepresented TFBS motifs in regulatory sequences from co-expressed genes

Transcription factors binding sites (TFBS)



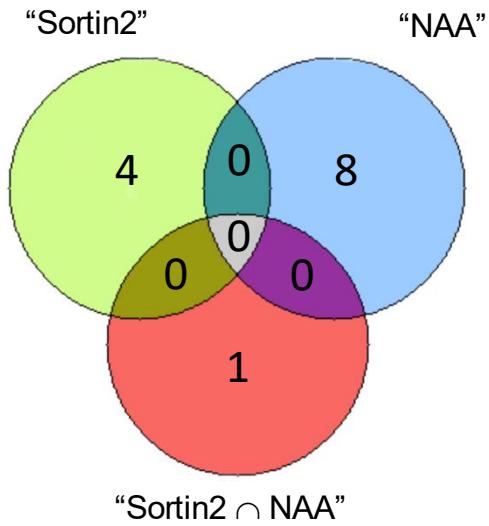
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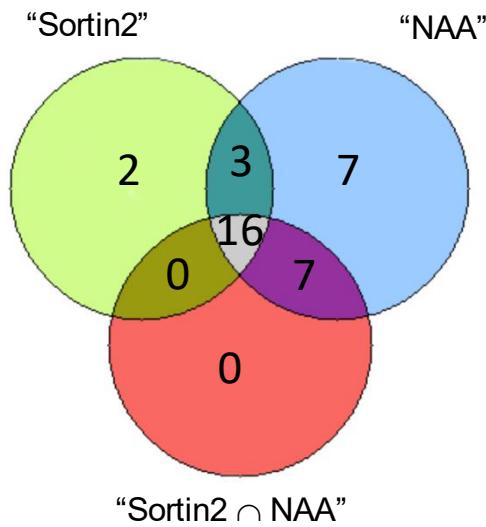


Upregulated genes showed more distinctive cis-regulatory elements than down regulated genes

DEG+



DEG-



Selecting candidate genes for further biological evaluations

A

1. At least 5 reads per gene
2. p -value FDR ≤ 0.05
3. Fold Change > 2
4. NAA DEGs subtraction
5. Transcriptional regulators
6. Highly expressed (CPM > 20)
7. Mutant availability

Sortin2

33.000

4.018

615

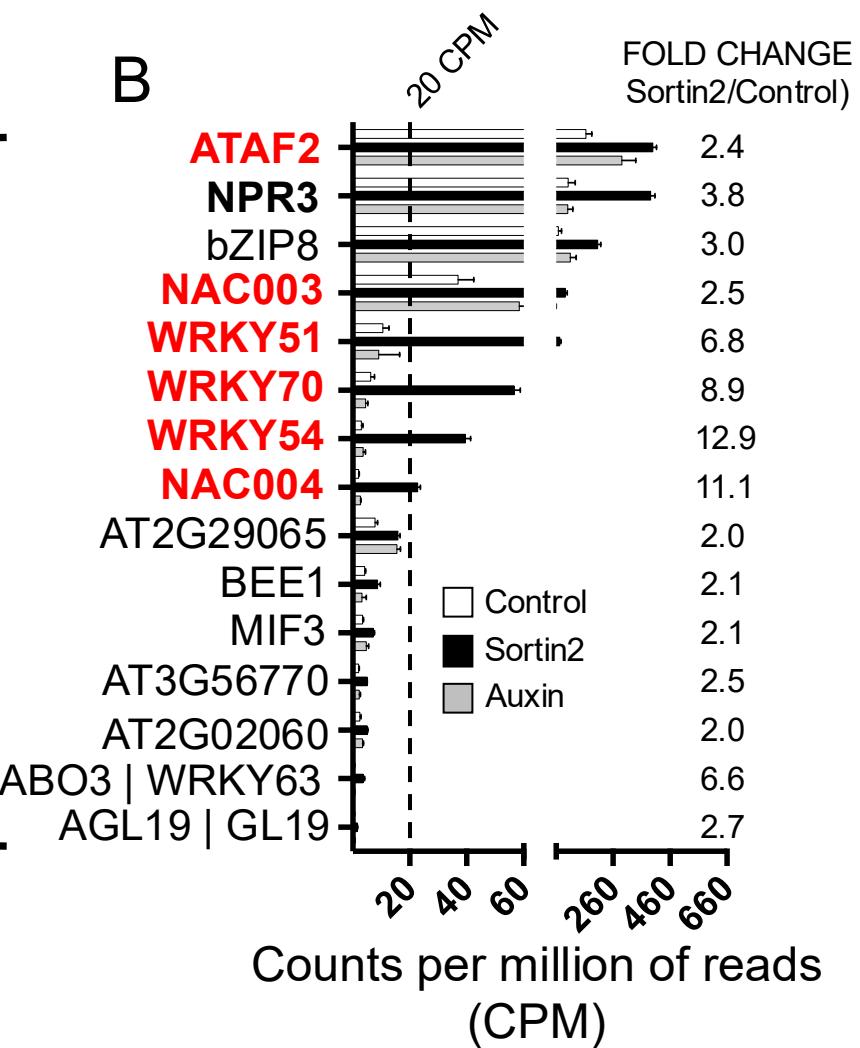
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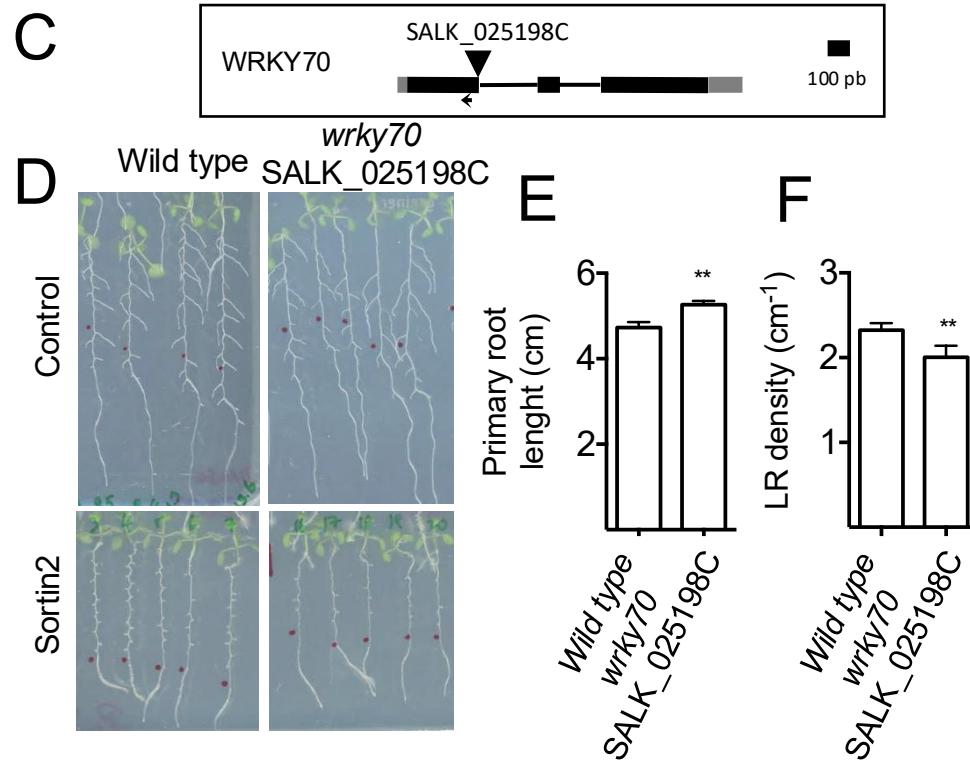
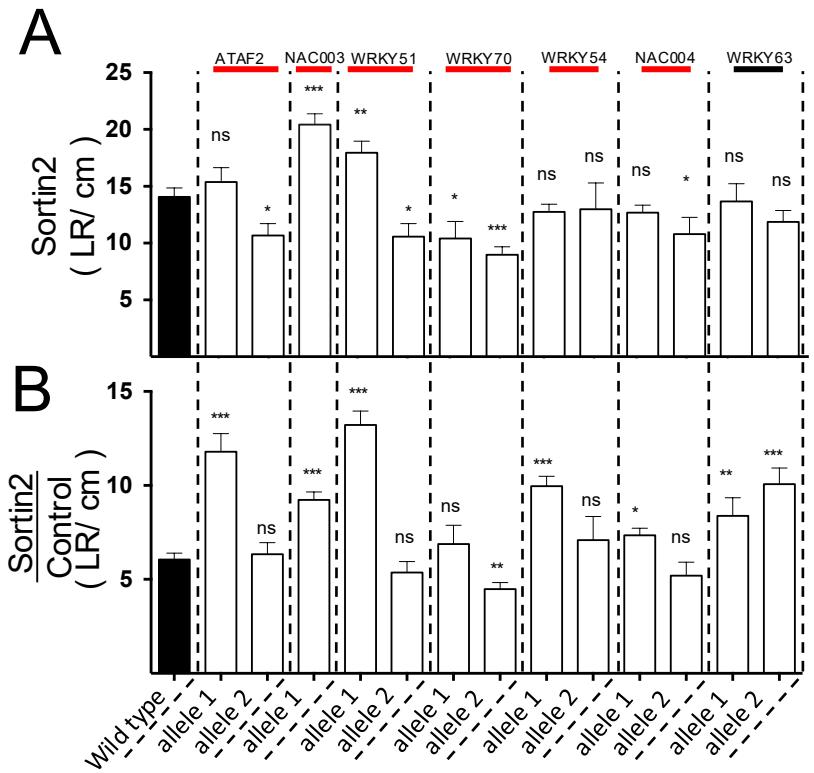
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B



Testing the effect of insertional mutants on selected candidate genes



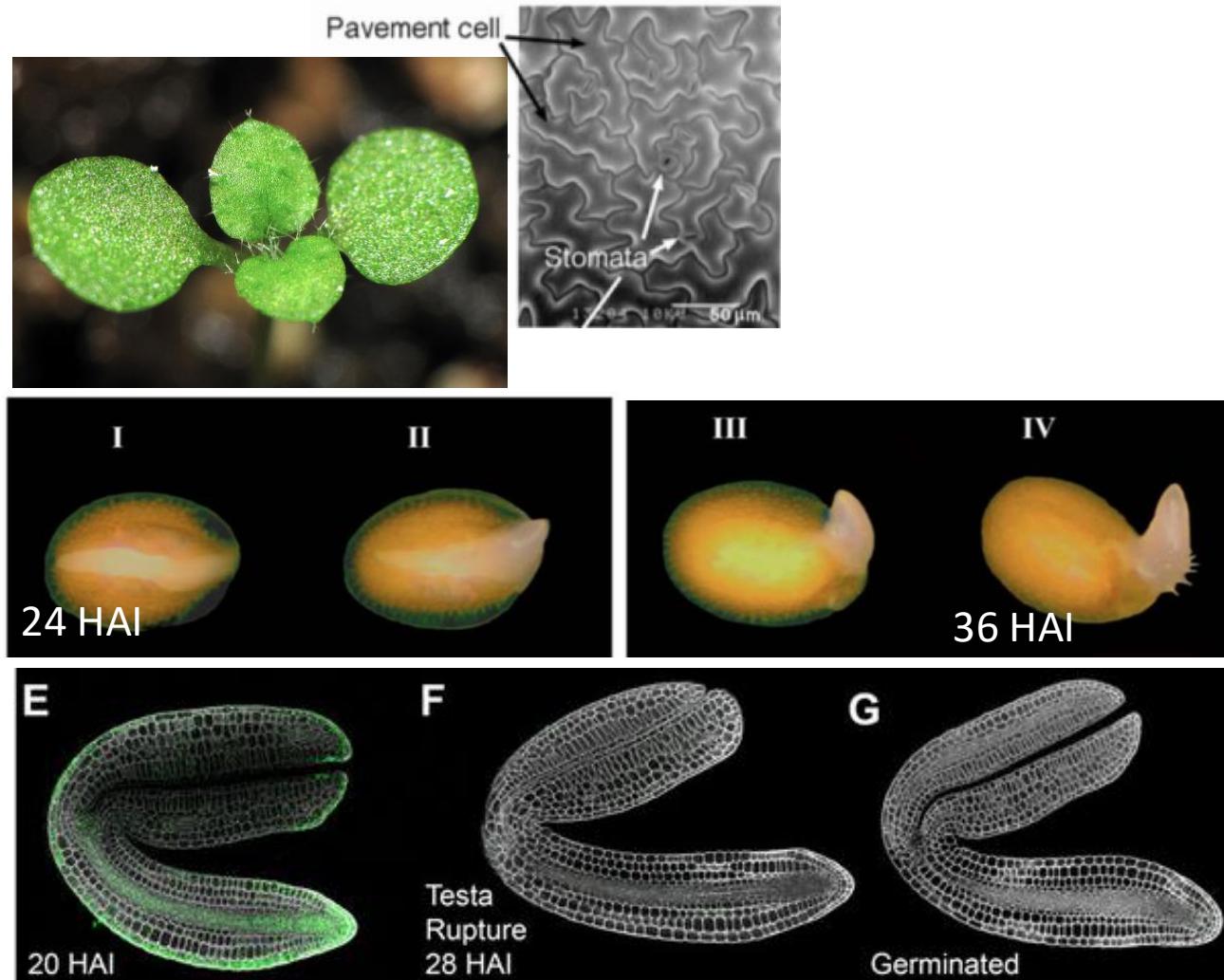
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10 μ M

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50 μ M

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100 μ M

Experimental design
on pavement cell formation

Overview on pavement cell formation

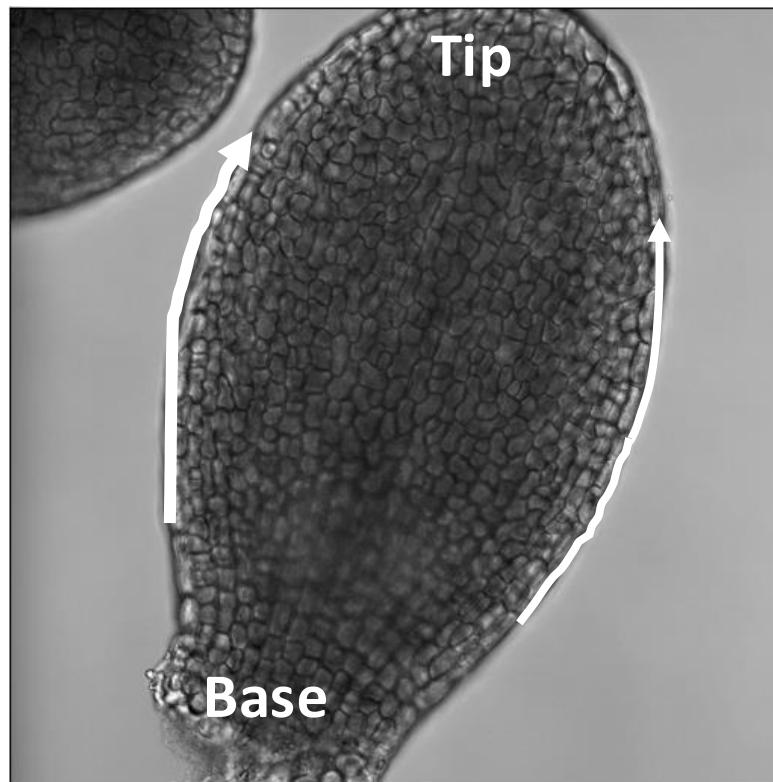
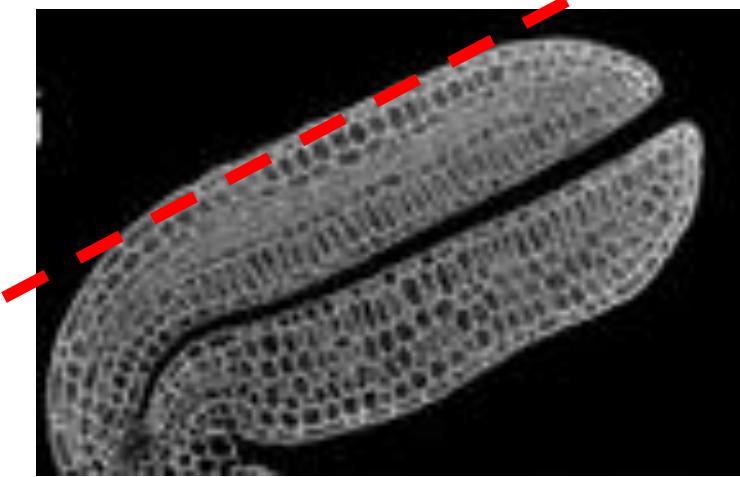


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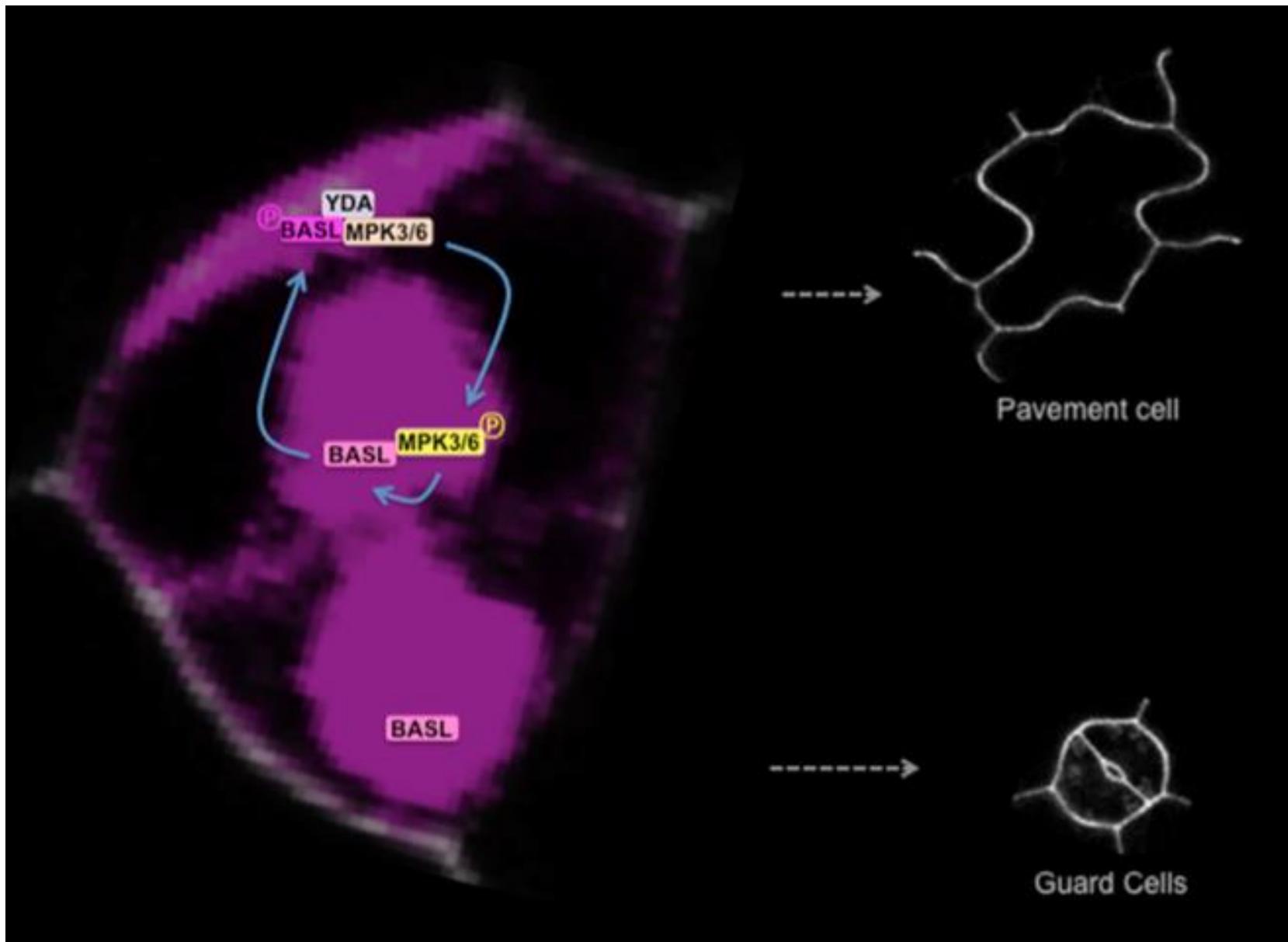
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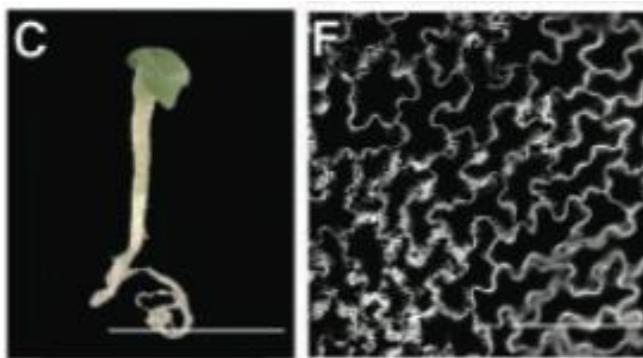
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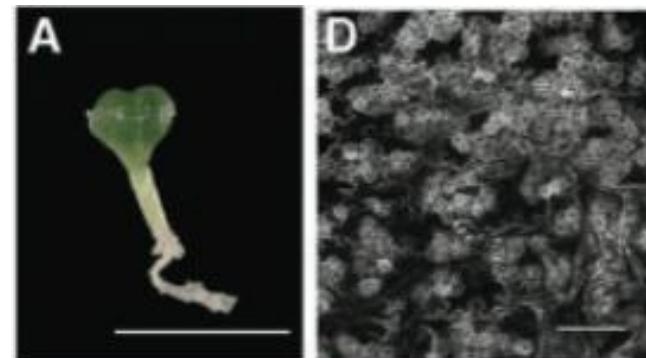
Comparative condition

CA-YDA induces al pavement cell epidermis on *A.thaliana*

Δ N-YDA (CA-YDA)



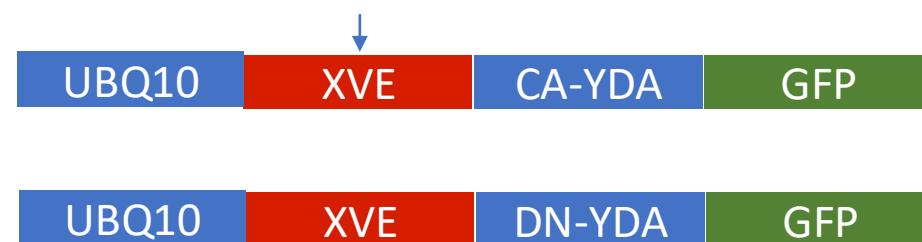
yda-1 (DN-YDA)



Inducible expression of CA-YDA or DN-YDA

Inducible phenomena

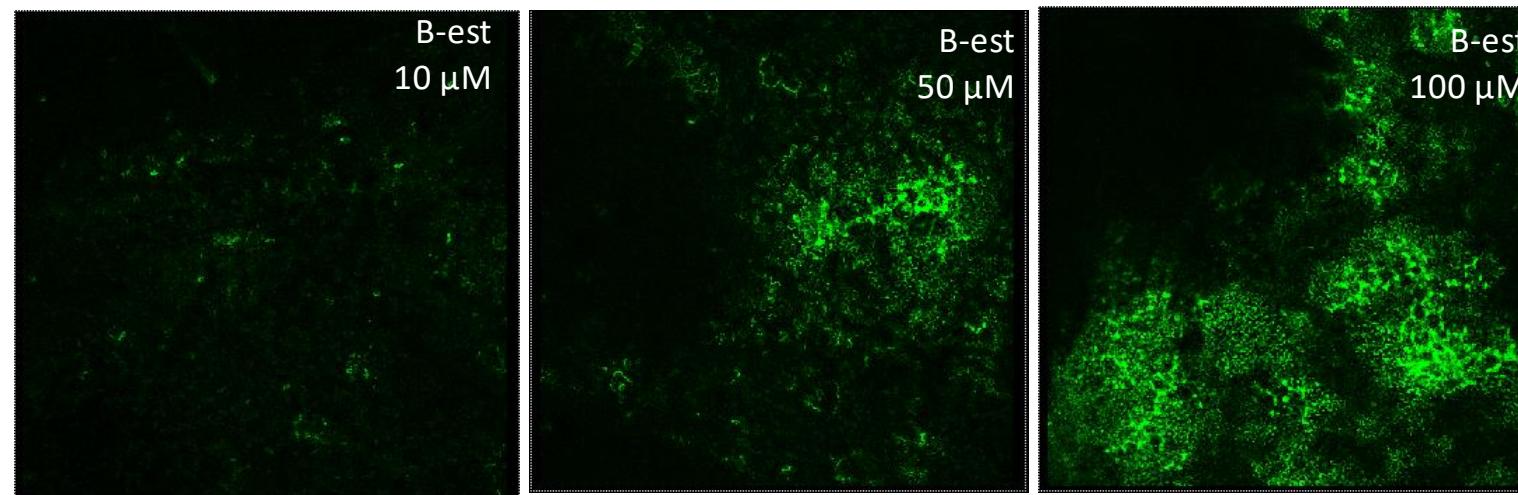
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Tissue specificity

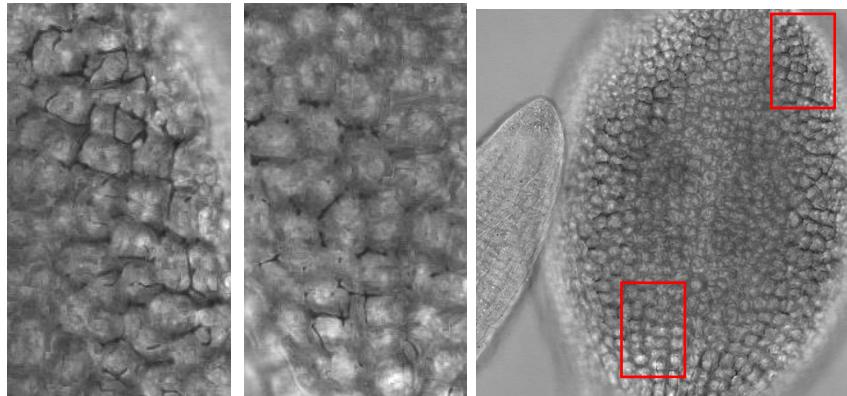
Inducible expression of CA-YDA or DN-YDA specifically on epidermis tissue

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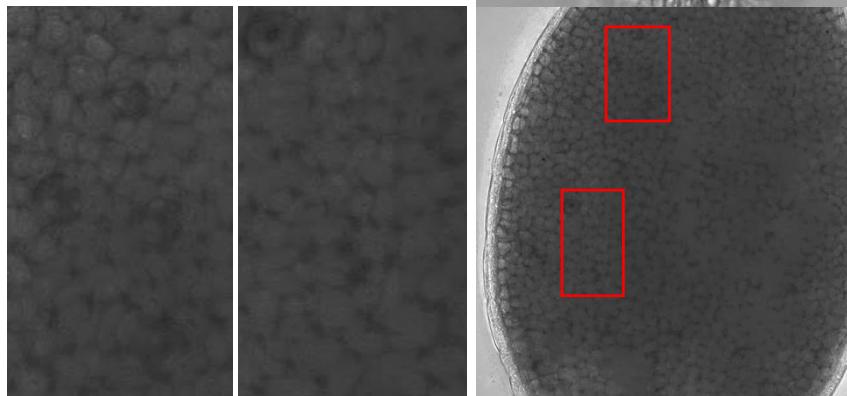


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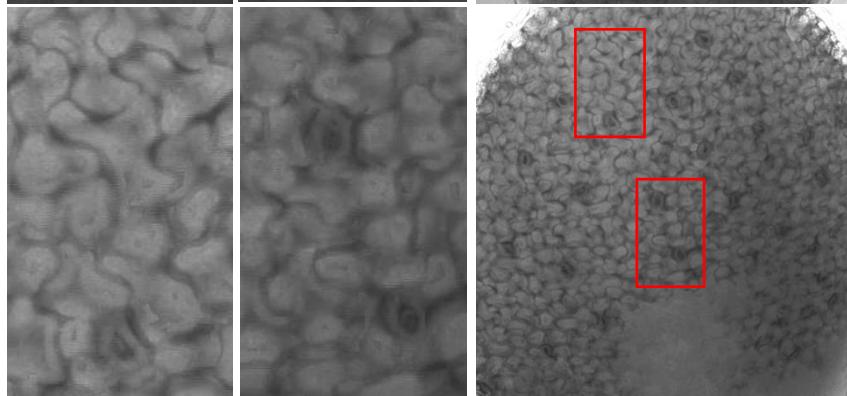
48 HAI
(0 DAG)



66 HAI
(18 DAG)



72 HAI
(24 DAG)



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Considerations on experimental design

Comparative conditions

Inducible

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Considerations on data analysis

Overview of biological process

Overview of regulatory elements (cis and trans)

Selection based on gained knowledge