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**Molecular mechanism of CO₂-induced
self-incompatibility overcome in the Brassicaceae**

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To my uncle, Shihong Lao, for all your strict but kind words, support and love.

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Abbreviations

CO ₂ ;	carbon dioxide
CTAB;	cetyltrimethylammonium bromide
EDX;	Energy Dispersive X-ray spectroscopy
ETD;	Everhart-Thornley detector
IM;	interval mapping
InDel;	insert and delete
GSI;	gametophytic self-incompatibility
LET;	linear energy transfer
LG;	linkage group
LOD;	log of odds
MAS;	marker-associated selection
MS;	Murashige and Skoog
NIL;	near-isogenic line
QTL;	quantitative trait loci
RFLP;	resistant fragment length polymorphism
RLSICO ₂ ;	reaction level of SI to CO ₂
RT-PCR;	reverse transcription-PCR
SC;	self-compatibility
SI;	self-incompatibility
SSI;	sporophytic self-incompatibility
SSR;	simple sequence repeated

PREFACE

Sexual reproduction is a primary system to increase genetic diversity which is in place in most of the flora and fauna. However, the majority of flowering plants produce both male and female reproductive organs on the same flower (hermaphrodite) and are prone to self-pollination. Self-incompatibility (SI) systems allow hermaphroditic flowers to differentiate and reject self-pollen thus serving as a genetic barrier to prevent self-fertilization and ensure high rates of out-crossing.

SI in plants is based on specific cell-cell interactive events between pollen and pistil. Stigma efficiently screens and blocks self-pollen from hydrating, germinating and penetrating, therefore, inhibiting pollen tube growth. During the evolution of flowering plants, a diversity of SI mechanisms has arisen (Charlesworth *et al.*, 2005; Shimizu *et al.*, 2008). SI systems can be categorized into heteromorphic and homomorphic systems (Fig. 1). In heteromorphic SI systems, which can be found in the Primulaceae, Oxalidaceae and Polygonaceae, flowers have different style and anther length which are genetically controlled by a single *S*-locus (Lewis, 1949) or *S* and *M* loci (Mather, 1943). A compatible reaction occurs only when pollen is from an anther with the same length as the recipient stigma.

In homomorphic SI systems, flowers have identical form and self-recognition is controlled by a multi-allelic *S*-locus (de Nettancourt, 2001). Based on a genetic system that controls the self-incompatible phenotype of pollen, homomorphic SI systems can be classified into gametophytic SI (GSI) and sporophytic SI (SSI) systems. In the GSI system (found in, e.g., Solanaceae, Rosaceae, Plantaginaceae), the self-incompatible phenotype of the pollen is determined by its own haploid genotype (*n*), while in the SSI system (found in the Brassicaceae, Convolvulaceae and Asteraceae), the self-incompatible phenotype is determined by the genotype of the diploid parent (*2n*) (Fig. 2). All plant materials used in this thesis belong to the Brassicaceae family, which uses the SSI system. Based on outcrossing studies using wild populations, over 50 and 30 different *S*-alleles have been identified from *Brassica oleracea* and *B. rapa*, respectively (Ockendon, 1985; Nou *et al.*, 1993).

The stigma of the style in Brassicaceae plants is covered by a layer of cells called the papilla cells. The cell wall of a papilla cell consists of pellicle, cuticle and pectocellulose

layers. Mature pollen is in a highly desiccated condition with a packed pollen coat between the baculae of exine (Elleman and Dickinson, 1986). When pollen adheres to the stigma, the initial contact between pollen coat and papilla cell causes the pollen grain to change conformation. After pollination, a coating ‘foot’ forms between attached pollen and papilla surface which involved in water supply from papilla cell to pollen grain. Pollen grain placed on a compatible stigma is hydrated in 20-60 min and changes in shape from ellipsoidal to almost spherical. A fully hydrated pollen grain then produces a tube and enters the papilla cell wall at a site within the foot (Elleman and Dickinson, 1990). The tube elongates along a space between the outer and inner cell wall components, and is guided down the papilla into the middle lamella region of the stigmatic row, where it grows to the transmitting tissue of the style and finally reaches the ovule, where fertilization then occurs (Stead *et al.*, 1980; Elleman and Dickinson, 1990; Elleman *et al.*, 1992). In the case of incompatible pollination, pollen hydration, germination and pollen tube penetration are arrested after foot formation.

This SI reaction occurs when the same *S*-allele (or *S*-haplotype) is expressed in both pollen and pistil, and male and female *S*-determinants have been identified as SP11/SCR (*S*-locus protein 11/*S*-locus cysteine-rich) (Schopfer *et al.*, 1999; Takayama *et al.*, 2000) and SRK (*S* receptor kinase) (Takasaki *et al.*, 2000), respectively. SP11/SCR binding to SRK triggers a phosphorylation signaling cascade to reject self-pollen (Takayama *et al.*, 2001). Another stigmatically expressed gene, *SLG* (*S* locus glycoprotein) gene is located within the *S* locus (Takayama *et al.*, 1987; Nasrallah *et al.*, 1987). *SLG* encodes a secreted glycoprotein, which has been shown to enhance the recognition process between the self-pollen and stigma (Takasaki *et al.*, 2000).

Many studies have been performed focusing on the downstream components involved in this type of SI signaling pathway. Two components have been identified as positive effectors. ARC1 (arm-repeat containing protein 1) was identified as an interacting molecule of SRK kinase by a yeast two-hybrid screening (Gu *et al.*, 1998). Suppression of ARC1 messenger RNA level correlates with a partial breakdown of self-incompatibility, resulting in seed production in *Brassica napus* (Stone *et al.*, 1999). ARC1 has E3 ubiquitin ligase activity and promotes degradation of proteins essential in compatible pathway (Stone *et al.*, 2003). MLPK (*M*-locus protein kinase) was identified as a positive mediator of the SI signaling

pathway through the positional cloning of the gene responsible for the self-compatible *B. rapa* var. Yellow sarson. It is a cytoplasmic protein kinase and has two different MLPK transcripts, *MLPKf1* and *MLPKf2*. Both MLPK isoforms localize to the papilla cell membrane and interact directly with SRK to transduce SI signaling (Kakita *et al.*, 2007). Based on these results, a model of SI in *Brassica* is shown in Fig. 3.

SI is not always stable but can be overcome under external and physiological conditions. The most well known example is a SI breakdown by 4-5% CO₂ gas treatment found in *Brassica* (Nakanishi *et al.*, 1969; Nakanishi and Hinata, 1973). Not only in the Brassicaceae family, there are reports showing certain SI interruption by CO₂ treatment in other plants like *Petunia hybrida* (Solanaceae) (Takahashi, 1975) and *Theobroma cacao* (Malvaceae) (Aneja and Gianfagna, 1994). However, the mechanism by which CO₂ alters the SI pathway is unclear and none of the responsible genes have been identified so far.

In recent years, due to the rapid development of genomic databases and genetic markers, many genes across a broad spectrum of pathways in model plants such as *Arabidopsis thaliana*, *Oryza sativa*, and *Lotus japonicus* have been discovered. *A. thaliana* is a particularly advantageous model organism for functional studies because of characteristics such as, e.g., a small genome, short life cycle, and the availability of a transformation method. Moreover, it has very elongated and separated papilla cells which are easy to manipulate. *A. thaliana* belongs to the Brassicaceae family but it is self-compatible due to the loss-of-function of *S* genes, and therefore initially could not be used in SI-related research. Nasrallah's group introduced functional *S* locus genes from self-incompatible *Arabidopsis lyrata* (*SRK_b* and *SCR_b*) into *A. thaliana*, resulting in SI in transgenic plants of accession C24 (Nasrallah *et al.*, 2002). In my laboratory, previous colleagues have generated different stable self-incompatible C24 transgenic lines by transferring cDNAs of two *S* genes (Kanatani, 2008; Takehisa, 2009), and these lines have been used for several studies (Ohara, 2010; Ito, 2011; Tanaka, 2011; Matsumoto, 2012). Additionally, Boggs *et al.* (2009) demonstrated variation in SI stability in different *A. thaliana* accessions and demonstrated a possible *S* locus-unlinked SI-modifier involved in SI stability. Despite this variety of studies in *A. thaliana*, there are no published reports regarding the CO₂ sensitivity mechanism in transgenic SI *A. thaliana* plants.

In this thesis, I focus on the SI reaction responding to CO₂ treatment in the Brassicaceae.

Biological responses were examined and genetic analysis was performed in *B. rapa* in Chapter 1. In Chapter 2, self-incompatible *A. thaliana* accessions with different CO₂-susceptibility responses were established, which should be ideal lines to reveal the mechanism of SI breakdown by CO₂. A self-compatible mutant candidate was also obtained to study the downstream SI signaling pathway (Chapter 3).

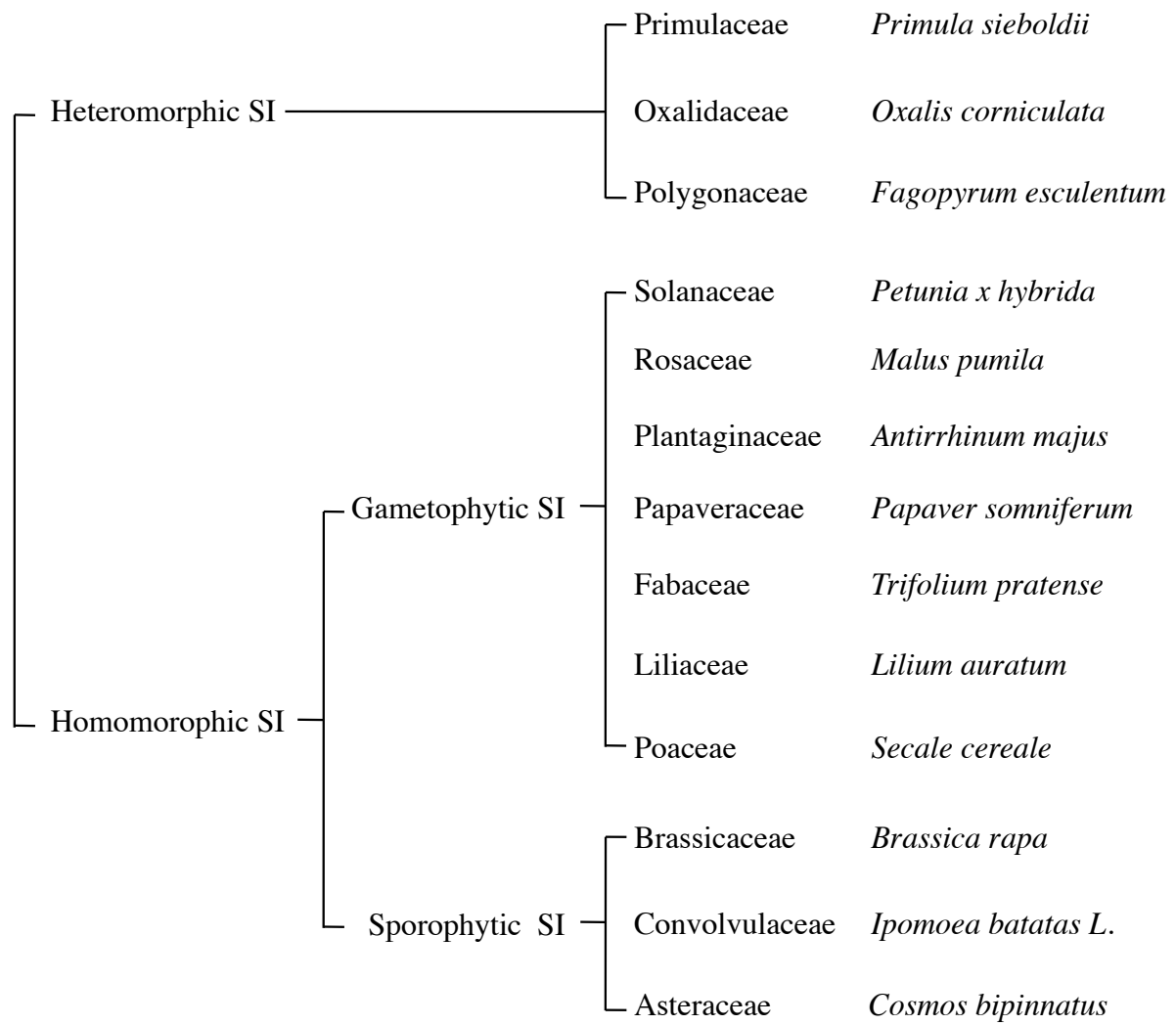
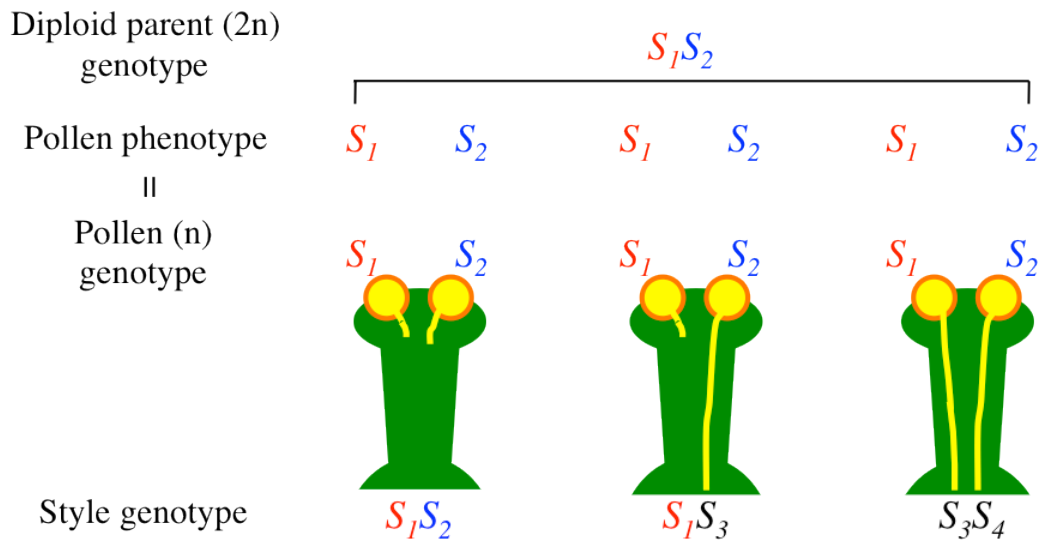


Fig. 1. Diversity of SI system

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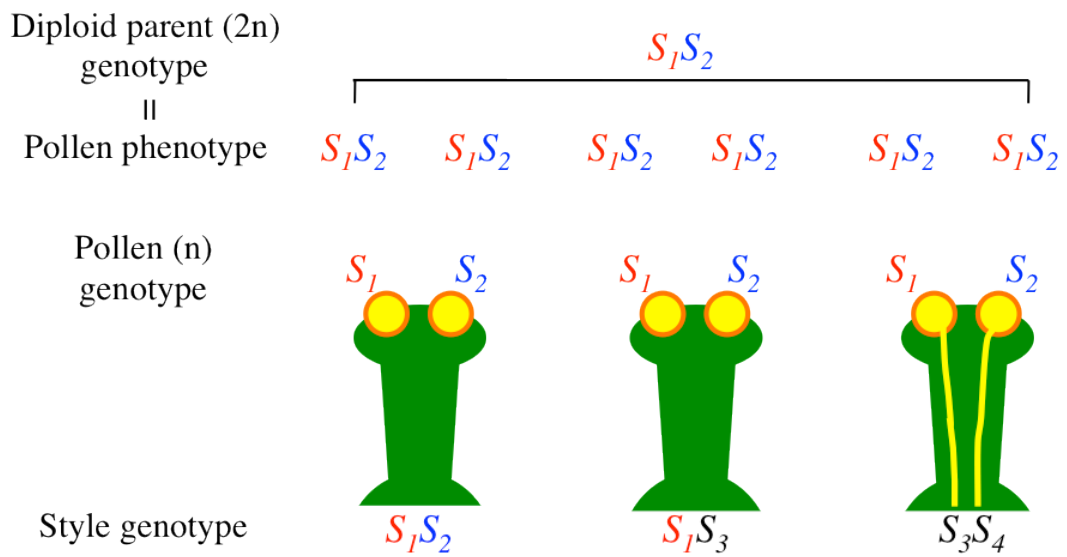


Fig. 2. Gametophytic SI (GSI) and sporophytic SI (SSI) systems

A, GSI system in Solanaceae, Rosaceae, Plantaginaceae etc. B, SSI system in the Brassicaceae, Convolvulaceae and Asteraceae.

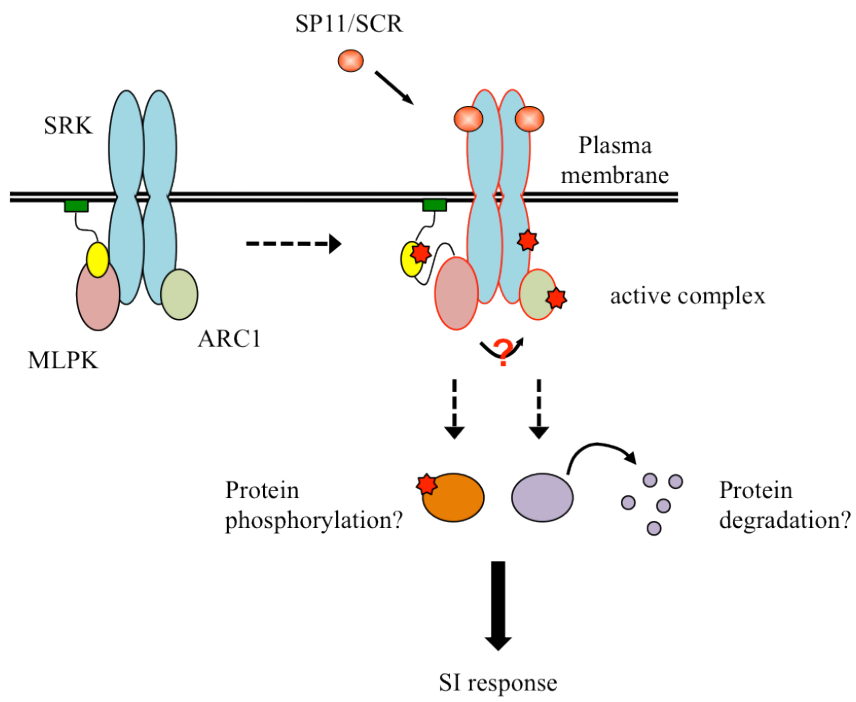
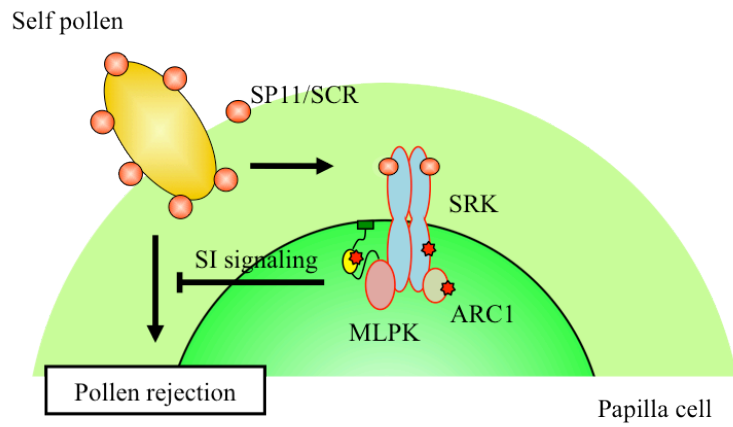


Fig. 3. SI model in the Brassicaceae

CHAPTER 1

Physiological and genetic analysis of the CO₂-induced self-incompatibility overcome in *Brassica rapa*

1.1 Introduction

When a stigma and an interacting pollen share an identical *S* haplotype, pollen hydration and/or pollen tube growth is inhibited, while when compatible pollen lands on the stigma, it can be hydrated and a pollen tube is allowed to grow. Previous studies in *Brassica* using an X-ray microanalysis (EDX) system showed that after cross-pollination, an increased calcium concentration near the site of pollen grain attachment (Iwano *et al.*, 1999), and Ca^{2+} was transported from papilla cell to pollen with the hydrating water (Iwano, unpublished; Tateyama, 2010).

Hydrated pollen grains can sometimes be observed in *B. rapa* during self-pollination. In fact, the SI system in *Brassica* is not complete. Self-recognition can be interrupted by plant age (Ockendon, 1978; Horisaki and Niikura, 2008), chemical treatment such as organic solvent (Tatebe, 1968) or NaCl (Tao and Yong, 1986; Monterio and Gabelman, 1988), high temperature (Matsubara, 1980; Okazaki and Hinata 1987) or CO_2 treatment (Nakanishi *et al.*, 1969). Because cultivated *Brassica* vegetables are very common in the world, especially in eastern Asia, and because of the advantage of heterosis, most *Brassica*, such as cabbage, Chinese cabbage and radish, are F_1 hybrids whose seeds are produced by taking advantage of SI. Genetically pure inbred parental lines are needed for the F_1 seeds production and CO_2 treatment is the most popular method used by many seed companies all over the world to obtain self-fertilized seeds. For *B. rapa* and *B. oleracea*, optimal CO_2 gas density, timing and humidity have been determined (Nakanishi and Hinata, 1973, 1975; Dhaliwal *et al.*, 1981; Palloix *et al.*, 1985). However, there is variation in SI response to CO_2 in *Brassica* vegetables and not all lines are CO_2 -sensitive (Nakanishi and Hinata, 1973; Niikura and Matsuura, 2000). Niikura and Matsuura (2000) reported that CO_2 -sensitive trait is controlled by a recessive gene that governs the construction and/or metabolism of the stigma. On the other hand, Hyun *et al.* (2007) reported a dominant, *S*-haplotype-linked CO_2 -sensitive phenotype, and cDNA microarray analysis showed reduced expression of the *SLG* could be involved in overcoming SI in *B. rapa* (Kwun *et al.*, 2004). Lee *et al.* (2001) reported a structural change on the surface of papilla cells in the CO_2 -sensitive *Brassica campestris* (now *B. rapa*) line Hiratsuka after the CO_2 treatment, which could be the cause of SI breakdown. Despite these initial findings,

there is little knowledge about the physiological responses of the papilla cells to CO₂, and no responsible genes have been identified so far.

In this chapter, two inbred lines of *B. rapa* with different CO₂-sensitivity (HA-11621, CO₂-sensitive and HA-11623, CO₂-insensitive) were used. I performed X-ray microanalysis with a cryo-scanning electron microscope to examine changes of elemental distribution in papilla cells in response to CO₂ treatment. I evaluated the CO₂-sensitivity phenotype and investigated its relationship between *S*-haplotypes using a randomly chosen F₂ population of 110 individuals derived from these two lines. I found that the CO₂-sensitivity is a quantitative trait rather than a monogenic phenomenon. Therefore, I performed QTL analysis to identify response loci that control the high CO₂-sensitivity to overcome SI.

1.2 Materials and methods

All chemicals were purchased from Wako or Nacali without specific notification, and enzymes for genetics studies were from TAKARA.

1.2.1 Plant materials

Two inbred lines of *Brassica rapa* ($2n = 20$), a CO₂-sensitive line (HA-11621) and a CO₂-insensitive line (HA-11623), were established at Tohoku Seed Co., Ltd., and grown in the green house with 16-hr light and 8-hr dark conditions at 20 °C. Both lines show stable SI under normal (open-air) condition but have different CO₂-sensitivity; SI in HA-11621 breaks down following treatment with 4.5% CO₂ whereas SI in HA-11623 is unaffected. HA-11621 and HA-11623 are reciprocally compatible, and their F₁ progeny were obtained under normal condition. Buds (1-2 days before flowering) from a randomly chosen F₁ were used for F₂ production. Young petals and stamens were removed from the bud and the immature pistil was pollinated with pollen grains from mature flowers of the same plant (bud-pollination). Pollinated pistil was then covered with a paper bag for 3 days and seeds from the pistil were harvested. More than 20 pistils were pollinated and harvested seeds were used as F₂ population. 110 F₂ plants were used for phenotypic and genetic analysis.

1.2.2 Cryo-scanning electron microscopy and energy-dispersive X-ray analysis

A pistil was submersed in liquid nitrogen slush and frozen under vacuum. While under vacuum, the sample was transferred to the microscope cryo stage (ALTO 1000, Gatan), and then the stage temperature was increased to -95 °C to remove frost that had settled on top of the specimen as a result of condensation. When all the surface frost had been removed by sublimation and verified by electron microscope, the temperature was reduced to -140 °C. Imaging was performed using ETD (Everhart-Thornley Detector) by Quant 250 scanning electron microscope (FEI). The chamber pressure was 30 Pa and the accelerating voltage was 15 kV. EDX (Energy Dispersive X-ray spectroscopy) analysis of the element assay was performed on selected papilla cells using INCA X-ray analysis software (Oxford Instruments, <http://www.oxinst.com/Pages/home.aspx>), with the detector's process time set at 2. X-ray

data were collected with 4.5 nA probe current for 2 minutes.

1.2.3 Calcium Green assay

After removing the stamens, flowers cut at the peduncle were stood on a 1% (w/v) solid agar plate. 0.3 μ L of 50 μ M Calcium Green (cell impermeable type) (Invitrogen) in a solution containing 0.01% Tween 20 was applied on the stigma. After the stigma air-dried, place the pistil on the cover glass and 1% solid agar was used to cover the cut edge. The stigma was then pollinated using a manipulator, and observed using laser confocal microscope (LSM 710, Zeiss). Fluorescence was observed with a 488 nm excitation wavelength and emission collected at 500-550 nm.

1.2.4 Evaluation of the CO₂-sensitivity

Three to five flowers were cut at the peduncle and stood on a 1% (w/v) solid agar plate. Flowers were self-pollinated, placed into a CO₂ incubator, and treated with 4.5% CO₂ for 4 hr at 23 °C. After one day at room temperature, pistils were fixed in ethanol:acetic acid (3:1) overnight, softened in 1 N NaOH at 60 °C for 2 hr, then stained with 0.01% (w/v) decolorized aniline blue in 2% K₃PO₄ for 6 hr. Pollen-tube behavior was observed under a fluorescent microscope (Axiophot 2, Zeiss). CO₂-sensitivity was measured using RLSICO₂ index. RLSICO₂ was classified into five categories, based on the number of pollen tubes penetrating into the stigma: 1, 0; 2, 1-5; 3, 6-15; 4, 16-30; 5, >30. Three replicates were performed on each plant on different days. Non-CO₂-treated self-pollinated flowers were used as controls. In all cases, no pollen tubes penetrated into the control stigmas.

1.2.5 Genotype of S-haplotype

S-haplotypes of HA-11621 and HA-11623 were identified using primer PS5 (5'-ATGAAAGGCGTAAGAAAACCTA-3') and PS15 (5'-CCGTGTTTTATTTAAGAGAAAGAGCT-3') (Nisho *et al.*, 1996) to amplify a fragment of the *SLG* gene. PCR-RFLP was used to distinguish the two S-haplotypes based on differential digest with restriction enzyme *Kpn*I. Digested DNA was electrophoresed on a 1.5% agarose gel.

1.2.6 Molecular markers and detection of DNA polymorphism

To screen for markers that show polymorphism between HA-11621 and HA-11623, primer sequences of the SSR markers from different sources (UK, prefixes Ra, Na, Ol and ENA (Lowe *et al.*, 2004, <http://www.brassica.bbscr.ac.uk>); Japan, prefixes BRMS, KBr and EST (Suwabe *et al.*, 2002, 2004, 2006; <http://vegmarks.nivot.affrc.go.jp>, NIVTS); Korea, prefix sau_um (Ramchiary *et al.*, 2004); China, prefix AMCP (Ge *et al.*, 2011)) were used. I also designed SSR, RFLP and InDel markers (prefixes XT and Bra) based on the *Brassica* database (<http://brassicadb.org/brad/>) (Table 1-1).

Total genomic DNA was extracted from young leaves of two parental lines and F₂ progeny using the cetyltrimethylammonium bromide (CTAB) method (Murray and Thompson 1980). DNA polymorphism analysis with SSRs was carried out using PCR with fluorescent dyes, performed according to Suwabe *et al.* (2008) with some modifications. The M13 (-21) universal primer sequence (18 bp) was fused to the 5' end of the original forward primer, and the M13 (-21) universal primer was labeled with 6-FAM, NED, VIC, or PET fluorescent dye (Applied Biosystems, California, USA). PCRs were performed in a 10 µL reaction volume containing 10 ng of template DNA, 4.7 µmol/L of labeled M13 (-21) universal primer and reverse primer, 0.3 µmol/L of forward primer, 1x PCR buffer, 1x dNTP, 1x MgCl₂ and 0.5 U of rTaq. Conditions for PCR were as follows: initial denaturing was carried out at 94 °C for 3 min followed by 37 cycles at 94 °C for 30 sec, 55 °C (slope of 0.5 °C/sec) for 30 sec, 72 °C (slope of 0.5 °C/sec) for 30 sec, and a final extension at 72 °C for 4 min. 1 µL of 50-fold diluted PCR product was added to 8.9 µL of Hi-Di™ Formamide and 0.1 µL of GeneScan™ 600 LIZ™ Size Standard (Applied Biosystems) and applied to an ABI 3730 DNA Analyzer (Applied Biosystems) Data were analyzed using ABI GeneMapper® software.

For polymorphism analysis with RFLP and InDel markers, PCR was carried out in 10 µL reaction volume with 5 pmol of forward and reverse primers instead of fluorescent dyes. For RFLP markers, amplified fragments were digested using restriction enzymes for 1 hr. Fragments or digested DNA were separated on 2-4% agarose gel.

1.2.7 Linkage map construction and QTL analysis

A genetic map was constructed using JoinMap[®] version 4 (Van Ooijen *et al.*, 2006) utilizing the double pseudo-testcross strategy with a \log_{10} of odds (LOD) threshold of 6.0 for linkage group identification. The best marker order was calculated with the regression mapping algorithm and marker order was retained from the first round only. Map distance units in centiMorgans (cM) were converted from recombination frequencies using the Kosambi mapping function (Kosambi, 1944). Interval mapping (IM) was performed to identify putative QTLs using the established linkage map and the observed phenotypic traits. This method was run using MapQTL[®] version 6 (Van Ooijen *et al.*, 2009). With this software, a 0.05 significance threshold of LOD score was calculated by creating a group-wide distribution of the data based on a 1000 permutation test. LOD peaks were used to determine the estimated position of QTLs on the map.

1.2.8 Statistical analysis

Box plots were prepared by Ekuseru-Toukei 2012 software (Social Survey Research Information Co., Ltd.) to compare the phenotypic difference, as this plot type gives a good sense of environmental data distribution (Upton and Cook, 1996). Histogram was used to describe the variation of the phenotype. Kruskal-Wallis analysis was used between paired comparisons of markers to examine marker association.

1.3 Results

1.3.1 Phenotypic analysis of *B. rapa* lines in response to CO₂ treatment

Two inbred lines maintained in Tohoku Seed Co., Ltd. with different CO₂-sensitivity (HA-11621, CO₂-sensitive; HA-11623, CO₂-insensitive) were used (Fig. 1-1A, D). Flowers were self-pollinated by hand pollination and incubated in a CO₂ incubator for four hours. Both lines were self-incompatible under normal atmosphere conditions (control) (Fig. 1-1B, E), while they showed significantly different responses to a 4.5% CO₂ gas treatment (Fig. 1-1C, F). Specifically, in line HA-11621, many pollen tubes were seen to penetrate into papilla cells after treatment. This pollination test confirmed that line HA-11621 has a high sensitivity to CO₂ (CO₂-sensitive) but HA-11623 has a low sensitivity that hardly response to CO₂ (CO₂-insensitive). Cross-pollination was performed as a positive control (Fig. 1-1G).

1.3.2 Physiological changes in papilla cells after CO₂ treatment

Lee *et al.* (2001) showed a shrunken and distorted stigmatic papilla cell surface in CO₂-sensitive line after CO₂ treatment but aside from this, no other physical or biological effects of CO₂ treatment have been reported. Previous work has implicated the involvement of Ca²⁺ in self-compatible pathway (Iwano *et al.*, 1999; Tateyama, 2010). I performed X-ray microanalysis of papilla cells using cryo-scanning electron microscope to examine surface structure and Ca²⁺ changes after CO₂ treatment. As shown in Fig. 1-2, the surface of papilla cells was very smooth after four hours of CO₂ treatment and did not differ from non-treated papilla in both HA-11621 and HA-11623 lines. Without CO₂, though few pollen grains hydrated on the papilla surface, no germination or penetration was observed in either line. However, in HA-11621, pollen grains hydrated and germinated on papilla cells after treatment (Fig. 1-2C, arrows). Next, the emission of elements in the tip of the papilla cell was analyzed. The area was with depth of 2-3 μm. The emissions of P-Kα, S-Kα, K-Kα and Ca-Kα were detected. The emission of Cl-Kα was under the limit of the detection and the detected emission of Al-Kα should be from the stub that held the samples. Fig. 1-3A shows the X-ray spectrum of an HA-11621 papilla cell after self-pollination. The increase of Ca-Kα emission in HA-11621 was remarkable when compared to the spectrum without CO₂

treatment in HA-11621 line (Fig. 1-3C), while such a massive intensity change could not be detected in HA-11623 line (Fig. 1-3B, D). The Calcium Green assay showed increased Ca^{2+} at the attachment site of the hydrated self-pollen after treatment in HA-11621 line (Fig. 1-4). These results suggest that in HA-11621 line, a high Ca accumulation on the pollinated papilla cell surface is induced and Ca^{2+} is exported from papilla cell to pollen after CO_2 treatment.

1.3.3 The efficiency of CO_2 treatment

The efficiency of CO_2 treatment is dependent on the treatment timing (Nakanishi and Hinata, 1973). Using the pollination assay, I showed that SI could still be overcome three hours after self-pollination (Fig. 1-5A). When only pollen or stigma was pre-treated with CO_2 , SI could not be overcome after the pollination (Fig. 1-5B b, c); and no pollen penetration could be observed when both pollen and stigma were treated separately prior to pollination (Fig. 1-5B d), indicating that CO_2 treatment is effective only after pollination.

Non-pollinated papilla cells were subjected to X-ray microanalysis (Fig. 1-6). No significant difference was shown with or without CO_2 treatment, which supports the results of the pollination experiment, which indicate that pollination is essential for CO_2 to be effective.

1.3.4 *S*-allele characterization and Phenotype of CO_2 -sensitivity in F_1 and F_2

I first determined the *S*-haplotypes of the two parental inbred lines by amplifying their *SLG* genes (Nishio *et al.*, 1996). The sequence data suggested that the *S*-haplotypes of CO_2 -sensitive and CO_2 -insensitive lines were $S_{55}S_{55}$ and $S_{46}S_{46}$, respectively. To genetically dissect the gene(s) that determines sensitivity to CO_2 treatment, six F_1 plants ($S_{46}S_{55}$) were produced by crossing CO_2 -sensitive and CO_2 -insensitive lines, and an F_2 population of 110 individuals derived from a bud-pollinated F_1 plant was made and used for further genetic analyses of the CO_2 -sensitivity. F_2 individuals were genotyped using PCR-RFLP (restriction fragment length polymorphism) to distinguish *SLG* alleles (Fig. 1-7). S_{55} - and S_{46} -haplotypes were segregated in the F_2 population according to Mendelian transmission (Table 1-2). Pollen tube behaviour after CO_2 treatment varied among individuals, and in order to quantify the strength of CO_2 -sensitivity, I employed the modified RLSICO₂ (reaction level of

self-incompatibility to a high CO₂ gas treatment) index (Niikura and Matsuura, 2000) to calculate CO₂-sensitivity based on the number of penetrating pollen tubes after self-pollination under high CO₂ conditions (see Materials and methods 1.2.4, Fig.1-8). The RLSICO₂ of 110 F₂ individuals is presented in Fig. 1-9 and the summarized box-plot data are shown in Fig. 1-10, together with the RLSICO₂ of F₁ and the parental inbred lines. F₁ had an RLSICO₂ score intermediate to the two parental lines, suggesting the high CO₂-sensitivity is a semi-dominant (incompletely dominant) trait in these inbred lines. Furthermore, the RLSICO₂ of F₂ individuals was continuously distributed, did not follow a simple one-locus biallelic Mendelian distribution (Fig. 1-9). These results suggest that CO₂-sensitivity in our inbred lines could be a quantitative trait which is controlled by more than one gene.

1.3.5 Relationship between *S*-haplotypes and CO₂-sensitivity

To investigate whether CO₂-sensitivity is related to *S*-haplotypes, I grouped the 110 F₂ individuals into three genotypes (*S*₅₅*S*₅₅, *S*₄₆*S*₄₆, and *S*₄₆*S*₅₅). The RLSICO₂ of each group is shown in Fig. 1-10. In the three F₂ groups, RLSICO₂ scores were distributed from 1 to 5 and interquartile ranges overlapped, indicating that CO₂-sensitivity is not linked to the *S*-locus in these two lines.

1.3.6 Expressed organ of the gene that controls high CO₂-sensitivity

From the genotype and phenotype data I obtained two *S*₄₆ homozygotes with different RLSICO₂ from the F₂ population: F₂-16 RLSICO₂=1±0 (CO₂-insensitive), and F₂-26, RLSICO₂=4.78±0.42 (CO₂-sensitive). These two plants were used to determine which organ controls the CO₂-sensitive trait. I performed reciprocal crosses between the two lines. The crossing using F₂-26 as the pistil pollinated with CO₂-insensitive F₂-16 pollen showed CO₂-sensitive trait, with many pollen tubes penetrated into stigma (Fig. 1-11A, C). When CO₂-insensitive F₂-16 pistil was pollinated with CO₂-sensitive F₂-26 pollen, SI could not be overcome (Fig. 1-11B, D). This suggests that CO₂-sensitivity could be controlled by gene(s) expressed in the female organ (stigma).

1.3.7 Marker analysis and construction of linkage map

To construct a linkage map for this F₂ population for QTL analysis, a total of 911 primer combinations of different genetic markers were used to screen the parental lines (see Materials and methods 1.2.6, Fig.1-12). To analyze the relationship between SI-related genes and high CO₂-sensitivity, *SLG* (marker for *S*-locus), *MLPK* and *ARC1* were also selected as markers. Though a very low level of polymorphism (14.7%) was found for all types of markers, a linkage map spanning 947.49 centiMorgans (cM) was built that consisting of 123 markers (113 SSRs, 5 RFLPs and 5 InDels) corresponding to 10 linkage groups (chromosome A01-A10) using JoinMap[®] version 4 with a threshold LOD=6.0 for the linkage group identification (Fig. 1-13). The distances between markers varied from 0 to 29.3 cM with an average distance of 7.70 cM. *MLPK*, *ARC1* and *SLG* were mapped to A07, A03 and A04 respectively, which is consistent with previous reports (Ajisaka *et al.*, 2001; Hatakeyama *et al.*, 2010).

1.3.8 QTL analysis and associations of markers to high CO₂-sensitivity

QTL analysis was performed using MapQTL[®] version 6. Three QTLs were identified on LG3 and 5 (A03 and 05) based on LOD threshold of 3.40 (1000 permutation test, $p < 0.05$). These QTLs were tentatively named as *Brassica rapa SI Overcome (BrSIO) 1-3* (Fig. 1-14) and this result indicates that high CO₂-sensitivity is controlled by a polygenic system. Among these, *BrSIO1* on A05 and *BrSIO2* on A03 are two major QTL that explain 19.3% and 19.0% phenotypic variation, respectively. *BrSIO3* is a minor QTL which accounts for 14.5% of the variance and is located near to *BrSIO2* (Table 1-3).

To examine the significance and effect of major QTLs *BrSIO1* and *BrSIO2*, F₂ progeny were grouped by all the marker genotype at each QTL and the CO₂-sensitivity index (RLSICO₂) was compared using Kruskal-Wallis analysis (of variance by ranks) (Table 1-4). Alleles from line HA-11621 and HA-11623 are presented as S and I, respectively. Almost all of the interval markers showed significance at $p < 0.01$ level in SS-II groups, except marker BRMS-114, which had significance at $p < 0.05$ level. Marker association effect was examined with combinations of *BrSIO1* and *BrSIO2*. The groups that combined the allele from HA-11621 at *BrSIO1* with the allele from HA-11621 at *BrSIO2* showed higher RLSICO₂

(groups 1, 2 and 4 vs. groups 6, 8 and 9) (Table 1-5). Significance ($p < 0.05$) was detected from group 1-8, 2-6 and 2-8. These data suggest that *BrSIO1* and *BrSIO2* work additively in overcoming SI during CO₂ treatment in the HA-11621 line. It was difficult to identify *BrSIO3* as an independent QTL and did not used in further discussion.

1.3.9 Associated gene prediction by *in silico* comparative mapping

Using the *B. rapa* genome sequence (Cheng *et al.*, 2011), I could map *BrSIO1* to a 569 kb region flanked by InDel marker XT05-004 and SSR marker BRMS-034, and *BrSIO2* to a 1469 kb region flanked by SSR markers BRMS-042-2 and KBrH110I17R. These two regions include 121 and 280 genes annotated in the *Brassica* database (BRAD), respectively (Table S3, S4). Comparison of the *A. thaliana* genome to the Brassicaceae genome (reviewed by Schranz *et al.*, 2006) suggests that *BrSIO1* has synteny on *A. thaliana* chromosome 2 and *BrSIO2* has synteny on both chromosomes 3 and 4. I assume that these two QTL do not have the same genetic origin and could be two independent regions controlling high CO₂-sensitivity. Based on reciprocal cross results, the CO₂-sensitivity trait may be controlled by genes expressed in the female organ (Fig. 1-11). 121 and 280 annotated genes in *BrSIO1* and *BrSIO2* have 103 and 243 homologues in *A. thaliana*, respectively, and 54 and 141 of these genes are expressing in *A. thaliana* pistil (Microarray data of Carpel at stage 12, http://affymetrix.arabidopsis.info/narrays/search.pl?f1=1&s1=ATGE_37, Table 1-6, 1-7).

Genes involved in related biological processes are often expressed cooperatively and their co-expression information is important for understanding biological systems (Eisen *et al.*, 1998). ATTED-II (<http://atted.jp/>) is a gene co-expression database useful for identifying the potential partners working in the same biological processes (Obayashi *et al.*, 2007). I performed co-expression analysis using ATTED-II with these 195 genes and found that *MAP kinase 6* (At2g43790 in *BrSIO1*) and *ethylene overproducer 1* (At3g511770 in *BrSIO2*) showed the strongest co-expression and *calmodulin-like 41* (At3g50770 in *BrSIO2*) has weak co-expression with *cytochrome c oxidase 10* (At2g44520 in *BrSIO1*) and *beta glucosidase 28* (At2g44460 in *BrSIO1*). In addition to these co-expressed genes, these two regions encode highly homologous family member proteins: *e.g.*, matrixin proteins (At2g45040 in *BrSIO1* and At4g16640 in *BrSIO2*), and senescence-associated proteins (At2g44670 in *BrSIO1* and

At4g17670 in *BrSIO2*). All these can be candidate responsible genes, although the biological functions of these genes mostly unknown.

1.4 Discussion

It has been more than 40 years since Nakanishi *et al.* reported SI could be overcome by CO₂ (1969), yet we still have very limited information about the breakdown mechanism.

Lee *et al.* (2001) showed a shrunken and distorted papilla cell surface in the CO₂-sensitive *Brassica campestris* (now *B. rapa*) line Hiratsuka, and suggested these structure changes could cause the overcoming of SI. The cryo-scanning electron microscopy data reported here did not show any structural changes in CO₂-sensitive or CO₂-sensitive lines (Fig. 1-2). Additionally, pretreatment of non-pollinated pistils with high CO₂ gas did not cause the SI breakdown (Fig. 1-5). Therefore, a completely different SI breakdown mechanism must be present, at least in our CO₂-sensitive line HA-11621. By contrast, massive Ca accumulation was observed at the pollen/stigma interface specifically in CO₂-sensitive plants under high CO₂ condition (Fig. 1-3) and I showed that Ca²⁺ exported from the papilla cell when self-incompatible pollen was hydrated during CO₂ treatment (Fig. 1-4), Brewbaker and Kwack (1963) were the first to describe the necessity of a high concentration of Ca²⁺ for pollen germination and pollen tube growth. Iwano *et al.* (1999) reported that in *B. rapa*, three hours after cross-pollination, a remarkable Ca-K α emission increase is observed by X-ray microanalysis. Moreover, Ca²⁺ is transported from papilla cell to pollen together with the hydrating water in cross-pollination (Iwano, unpublished; Tateyama, 2010). The high concentration of Ca²⁺ could be needed for activating pectinase to loose the papilla cell wall, allowing the pollen tube to penetrate (Black and Charlwood, 1995), or for keeping the pollen tube cell wall rigid enough not to burst (Hepler and Winship, 2010). Although causal relationships remain unclear, the data suggest that CO₂ treatment induces a certain compatible reaction leading to Ca²⁺ accumulation at the pollen/stigma interface.

Because CO₂ treatment to induce self-fertilization is one of the best methods to obtain genetically pure inbred parental lines for large-scale commercial F₁ hybrid seed production, to date, several genetic studies have been performed to understand the mechanism of SI breakdown for breeding purposes. Niikura and Matsuura (2002) reported that in Japanese radish high CO₂-sensitivity is controlled by a recessive gene that governs the construction and/or metabolism of the stigma, which reacts to CO₂ without any changes in gene expression.

In contrast, Hyun *et al.* (2007) reported a dominant and *S*-haplotype-linked high CO₂-sensitive phenotype in *B. rapa*. In the present study, CO₂-sensitivity in lines HA-11621, HA-11623 and their F₁ and F₂ progenies were evaluated based on the degree of pollen tube penetration into the stigma (RLSICO₂). Different from these previous studies, F₁ had an intermediate CO₂-sensitivity (Fig. 1-10) and the F₂ population had a continuous frequency distribution of RLSICO₂ (Fig. 1-9). These results suggest that in the lines I used for this study, the CO₂-sensitivity is quantitative trait, which could be controlled by more than one gene(s).

Genetic linkage maps based upon frequency of recombination in segregating populations are fundamental and powerful tools for associating phenotypic traits specific genetic regions. Linkage mapping can be used to understand the biological basis of complex traits and to dissect genetic determinants underlying the expression of agronomically important breeding traits (Paran and Zamir, 2003). Very recently, five QTLs associated with stability of SI in *B. rapa* have been identified. Two of them co-localized with *SLG* (A07) and *MLPK* (A03) and the other three were on A02, A06 and A10 (Hatakeyama *et al.*, 2010). In the present study, none of the other reported loci co-localized with QTLs detected (Fig. 1-14) and CO₂-sensitivity did not link with the *S*-haplotype in our study (Fig. 1-10), indicating that CO₂-sensitivity of the lines in this study is determined by novel genes different from those known to affect SI stability. I successfully identified three QTLs for high CO₂-sensitivity (*BrSIO1*, *BrSIO2* and *BrSIO3*). *BrSIO1* and *BrSIO2* had similar LOD scores with similar explained amounts of phenotypic variation and they could be two major factors controlling high CO₂-sensitivity (Fig. 1-14). Genes in *BrSIO1* and *BrSIO2* regions have 103 and 243 homologues in *A. thaliana* respectively, and 54 and 141 of these genes are expressing in *A. thaliana* pistil. *In silico* comparative analyses identified several co-expressing genes and highly homologous genes encoded in these two regions. All these can be candidate responsible genes, however, to more accurately identify the genes responsible for high CO₂-sensitivity in the QTL regions in *B. rapa*, it would be necessary to narrow down the regions by developing near-isogenic lines (NIL).

To maintain F₁ seed quality inbred lines with strong SI and high CO₂-sensitivity are ideal for breeding, and it is very important to understand the genetic relationships between SI-related genes and CO₂-sensitivity phenotypes. My results could be useful for the

marker-assisted selection (MAS) of parental lines with both stable SI and high CO₂-sensitivity.

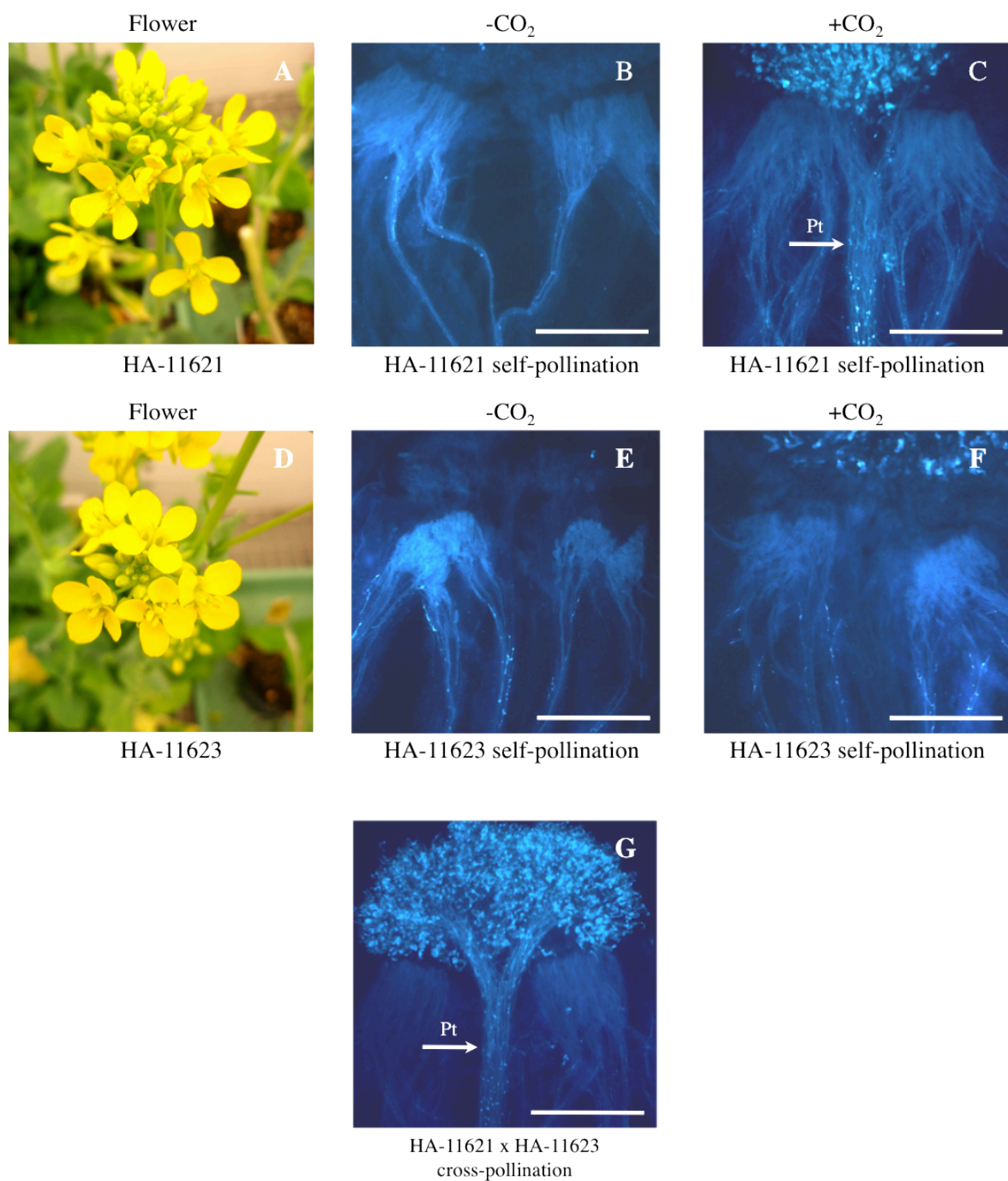


Fig. 1-1. Phenotype of two inbred lines of *Brassica rapa* used in this study

Flower morphology (A, D) and pollination assay with air or 4.5 % CO₂ treatment from HA-11621 line (B, C) and HA-11623 line (E, F). G is the cross pollination between these two lines as a positive control. Pt, pollen tubes. Bar=1000 μm.

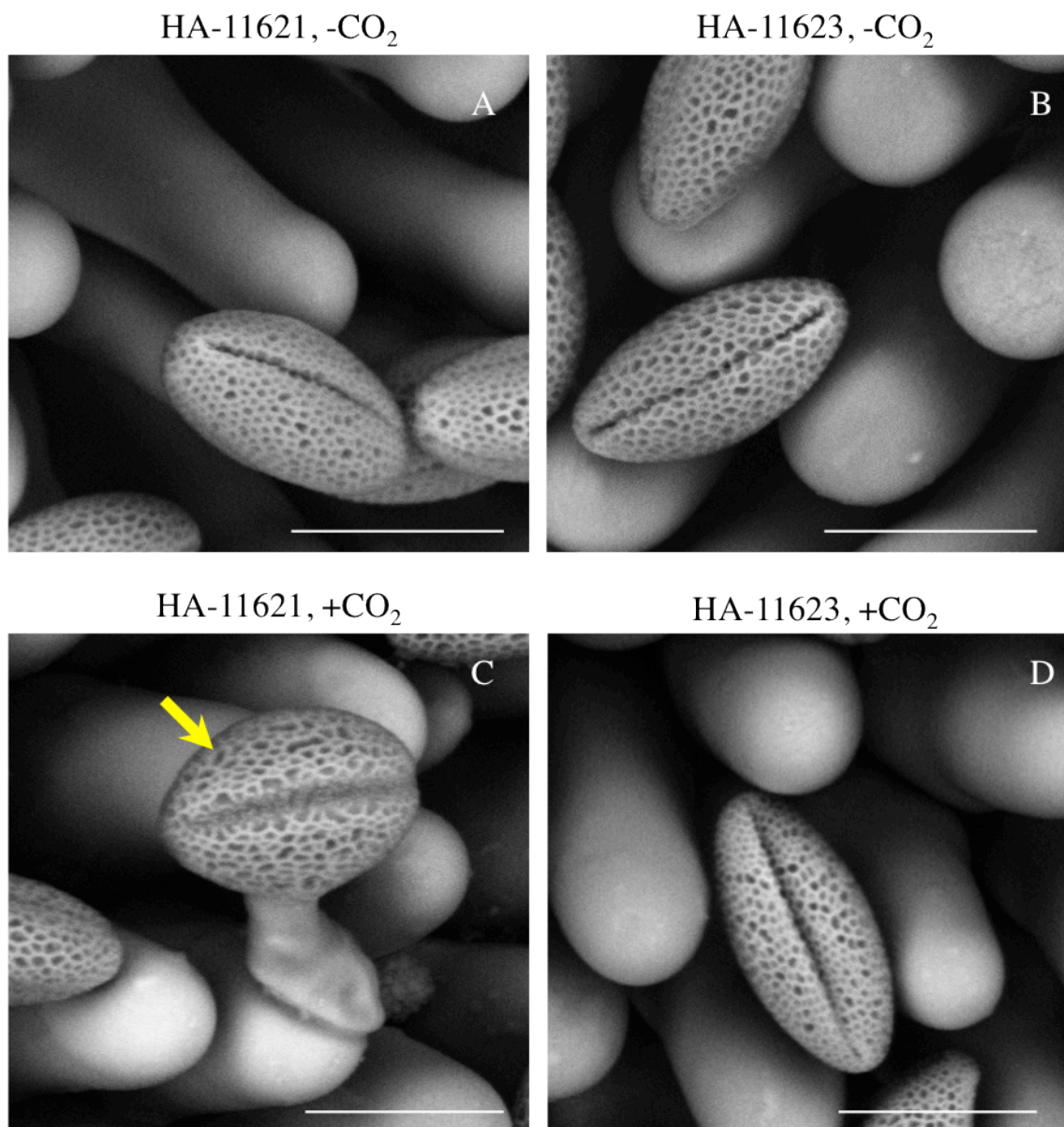


Fig. 1-2. Electron micrographs of self-pollinated papilla cell taken by cryo-scanning electron microscope

Pollen grain hydrates and germinates (arrows) in HA-11621 after CO₂ treatment. No significant papilla structural change is observed in HA-11621 and HA-11623 lines after CO₂ treatment. Bar= 25 μm.

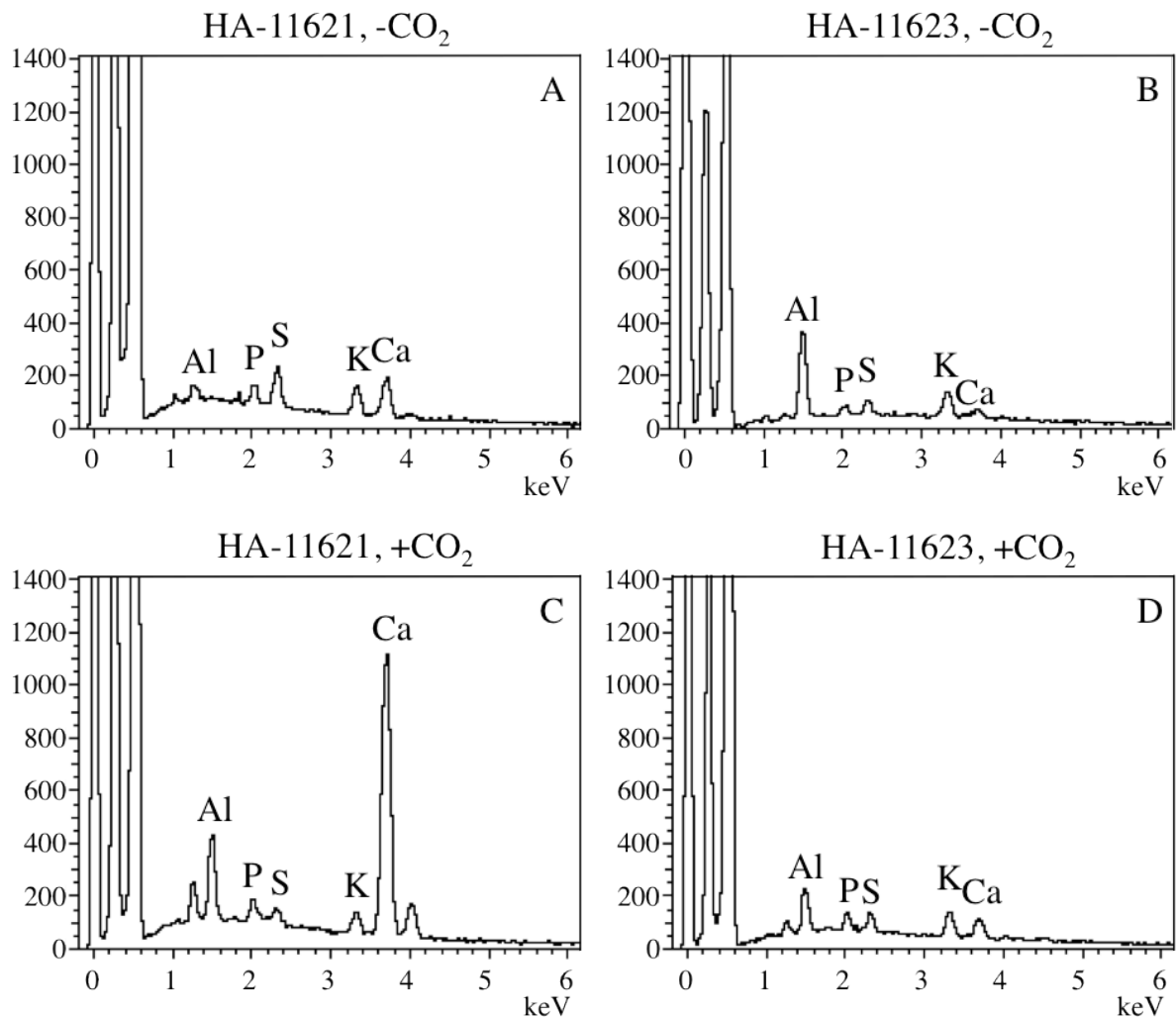


Fig. 1-3. Energy Dispersive X-ray spectrum of self-pollinated papilla cell

Pollinated papilla cell from HA-11621 (A), HA-11623 (B) without CO₂ treatment, and with CO₂ treatment (C), (D) were analyzed. Intensity of Ca emission is remarkably increased in HA-11621 line after the CO₂ treatment. These spectrum patterns are reproducible in three individual experiment sets.

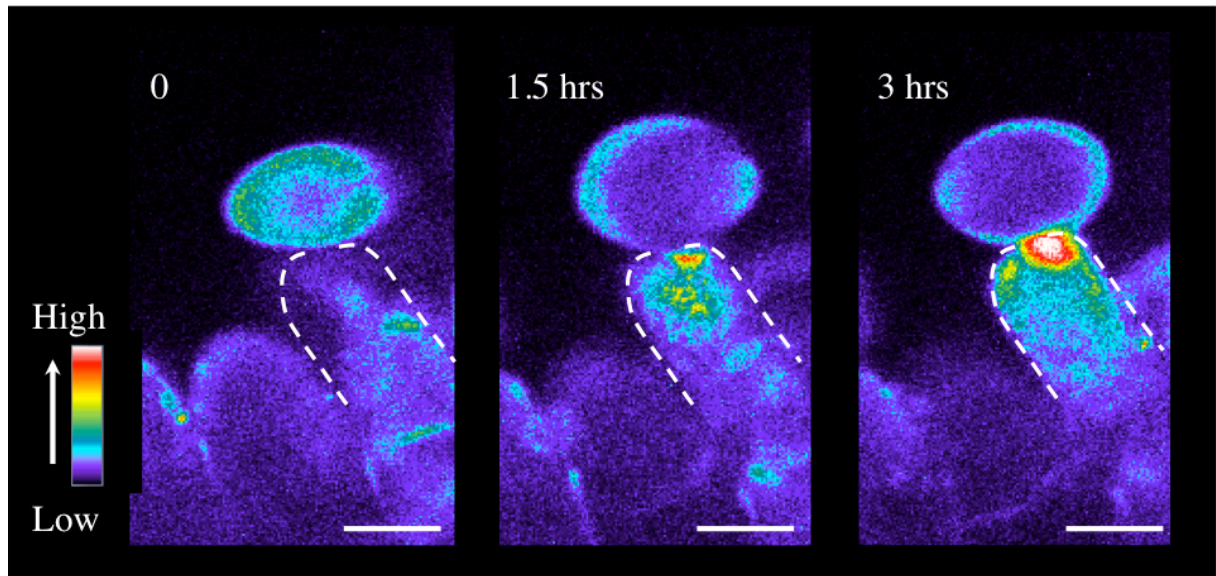
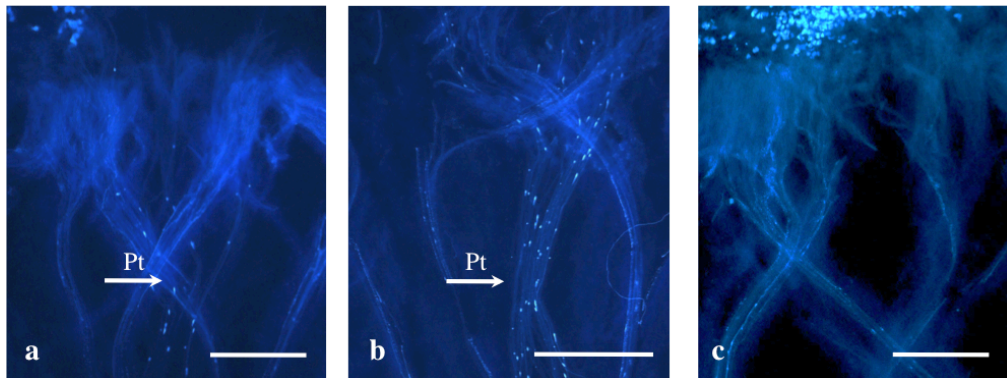


Fig. 1-4. Ca²⁺ dynamics during self-pollen hydration with CO₂ treatment in HA-11621 line
Calcium Green was applied to the surface of papilla cell and its signal was visualized in a rainbow colour. High Ca²⁺ concentration at the attachment site of self-pollen was observed after three hours. Bar=20 μ m.

A



B

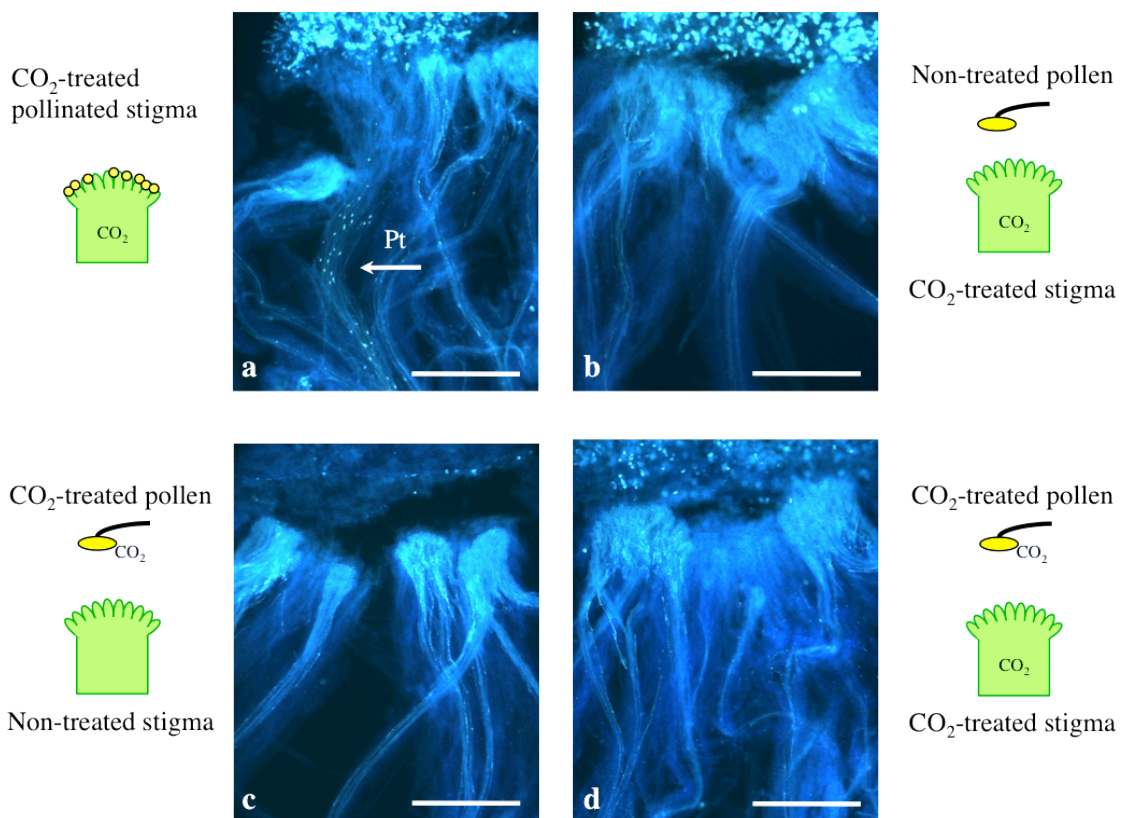


Fig. 1-5. The efficiency of CO₂ treatment

(A) SI can be overcome after 3 hours self-pollination CO₂ treatment. CO₂ treatment 0 hour (a), 3 hours (b) and 6 hours (c) after self-pollination.

(B) Pollination using separately CO₂-treated female and male organs. No pollen tube penetration is observed in CO₂-treated stigma and non-treated pollen (b), non-treated stigma and CO₂-treated pollen (c), CO₂-treated stigma and pollen (d) and only when they treated together after pollination pollen tubes (Pt) can be observed (a). Bar=1000 μm.

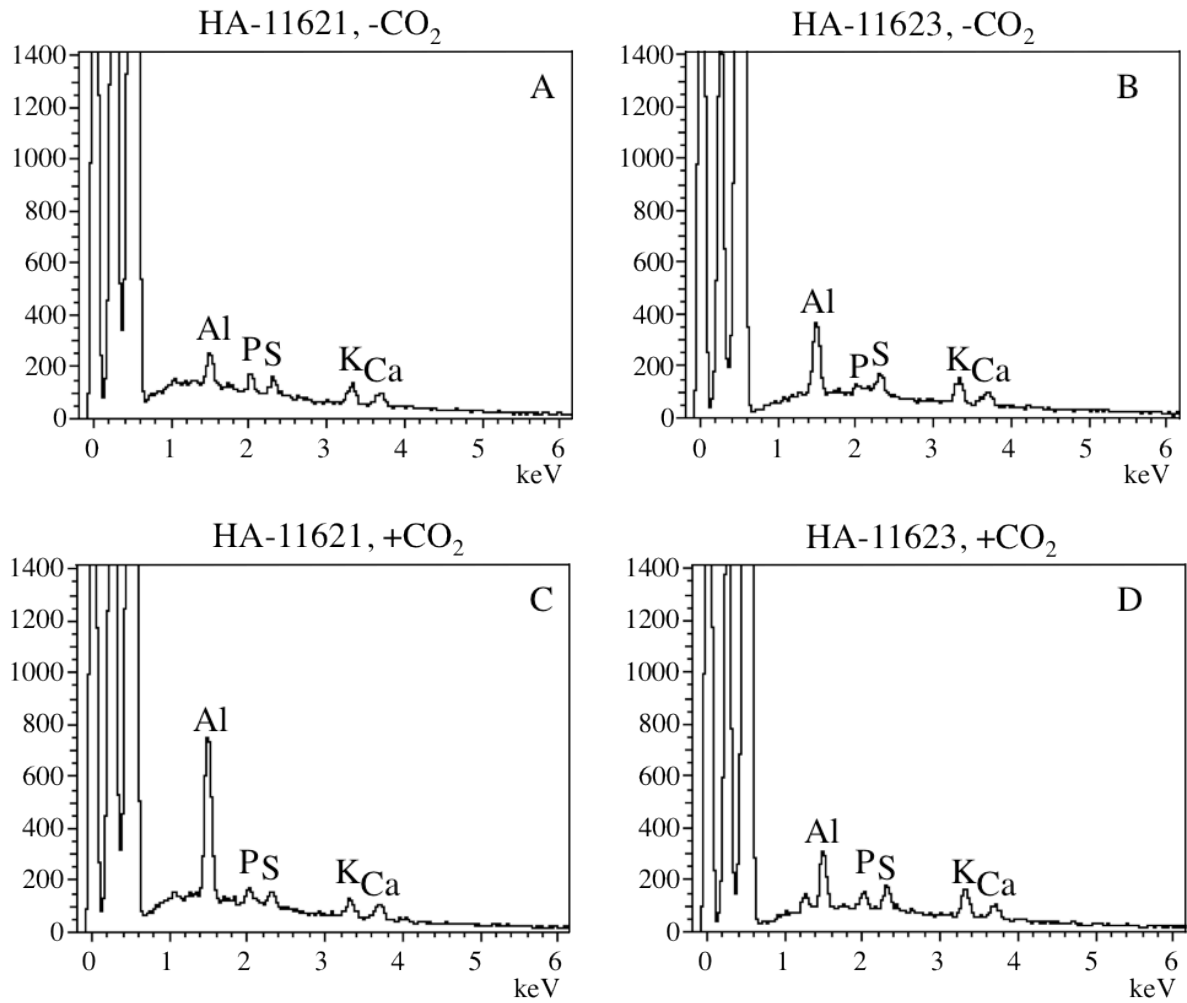


Fig. 1-6. Energy Dispersive X-ray spectrum of non-pollinated papilla cell

Non-pollinated papilla cell from HA-11621 (A), HA-11623 (B) without CO₂ treatment, and with CO₂ treatment (C), (D) were analyzed. No significant differences are observed between HA-11621 and HA-11623 and no significant differences are observed after treatment.

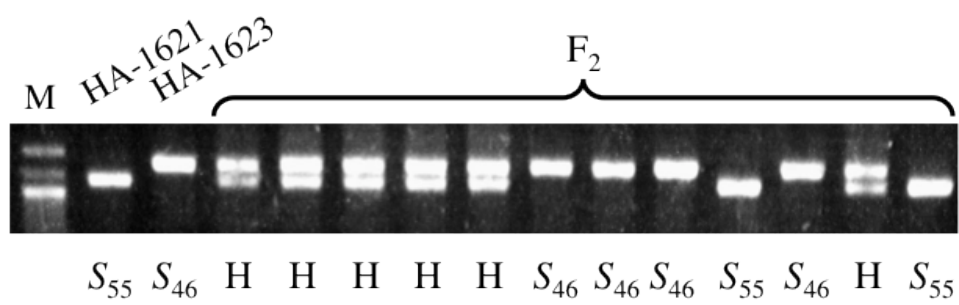


Fig. 1-7. *S*-haplotype analysis of F_2 plants by PCR-RFLP

M, marker; S_{55} , $S_{55}S_{55}$ -homozygote; S_{46} , $S_{46}S_{46}$ -homozygote, H, $S_{46}S_{55}$ -heterozygote.

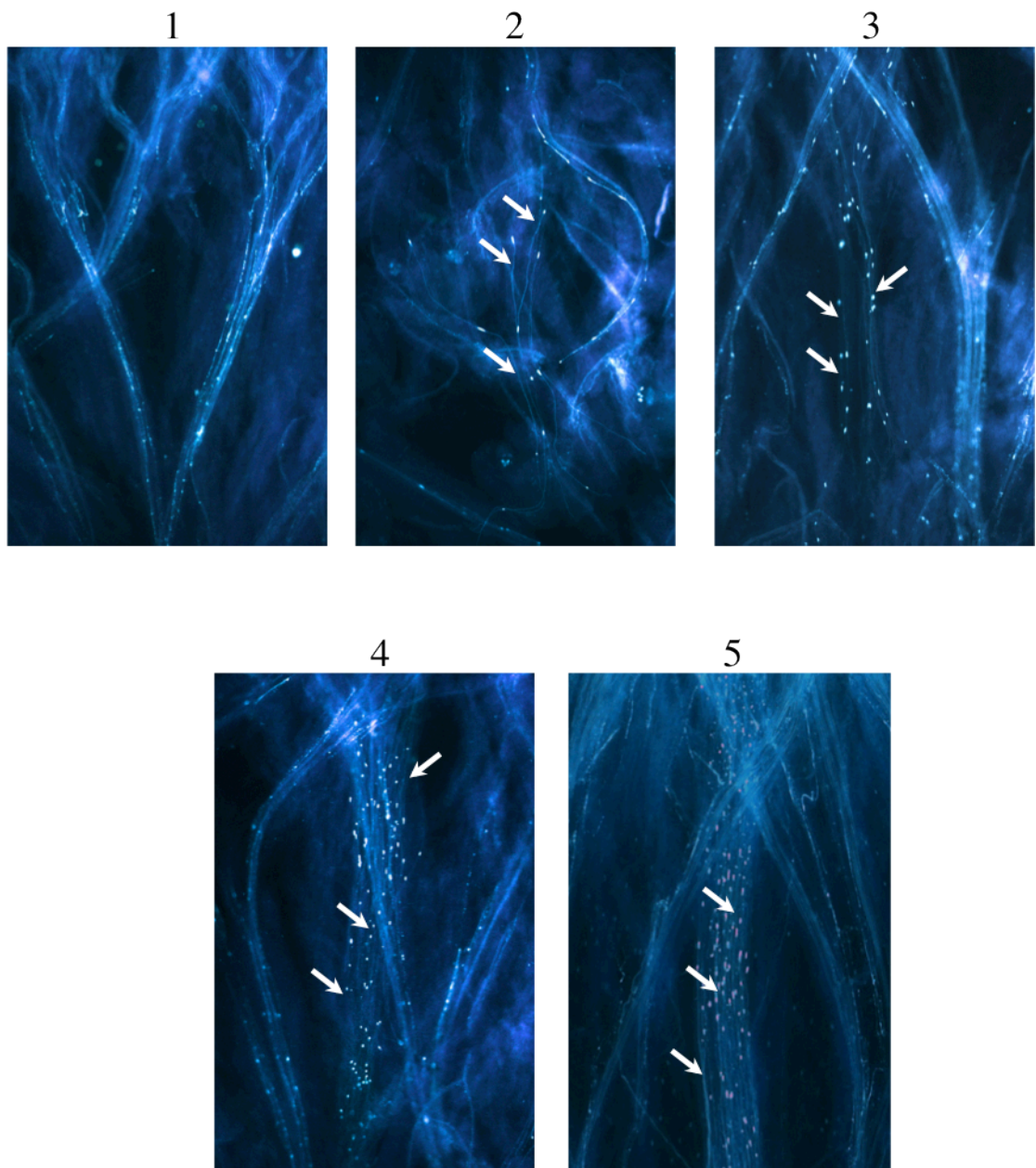


Fig. 1-8. RLSICO₂ index based on the pollen tubes (arrows) penetrated into the stigma
(1) 0; (2) 1-5; (3) 6-15; (4) 16-30; (5) >30.

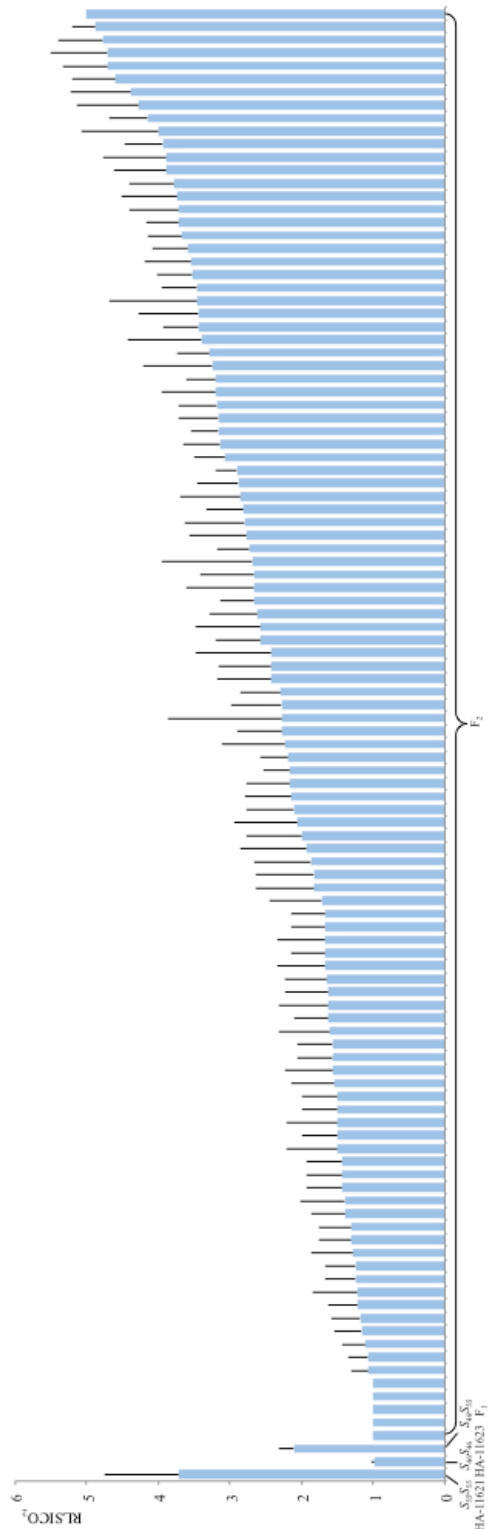


Fig. 1-9. RLSICO₂ in HA-11621, HA-11623 lines, F₁ and F₂ progeny based on the number of penetrating pollen tubes after self-pollination under high CO₂ conditions. RLSICO₂ is continuously distributed and does not follow a simple one-locus biallelic Mendelian distribution.

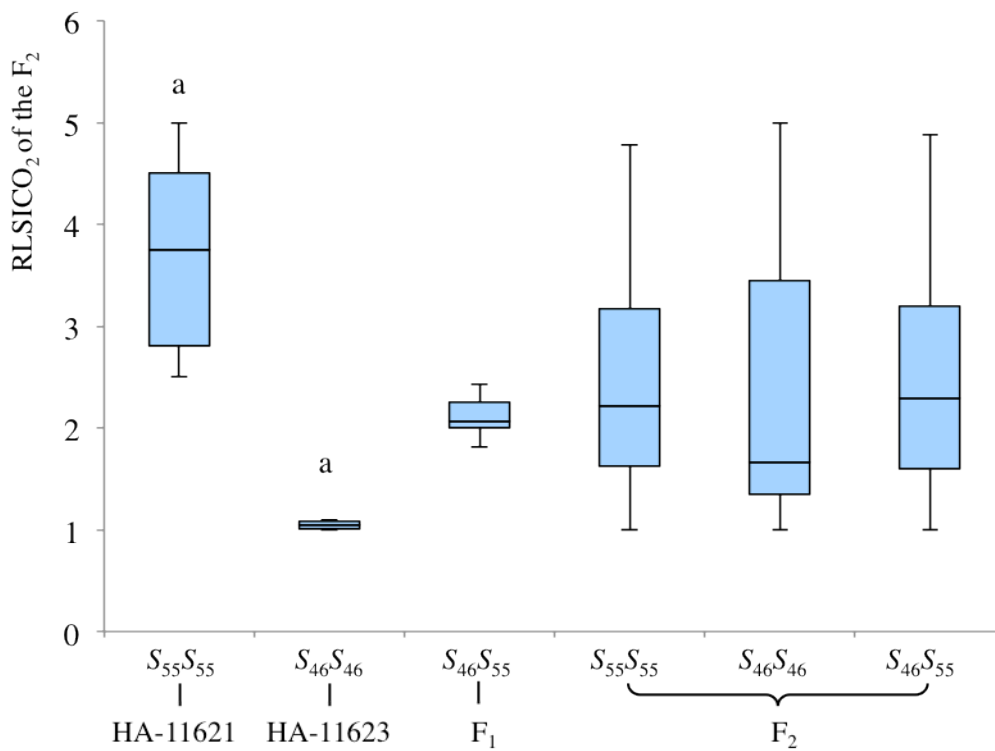


Fig. 1-10. Box plots data of CO₂-sensitivity phenotypes. Data shows distribution of RLSICO₂ with 25th, 50th and 75th percentiles (horizontal bars), interquartile ranges (columns) and 1.5 interquartile ranges (error bars) of RLSICO₂ from 110 F₂ individuals. a indicates significant difference $p < 0.01$ between HA-11621 and HA-11623.

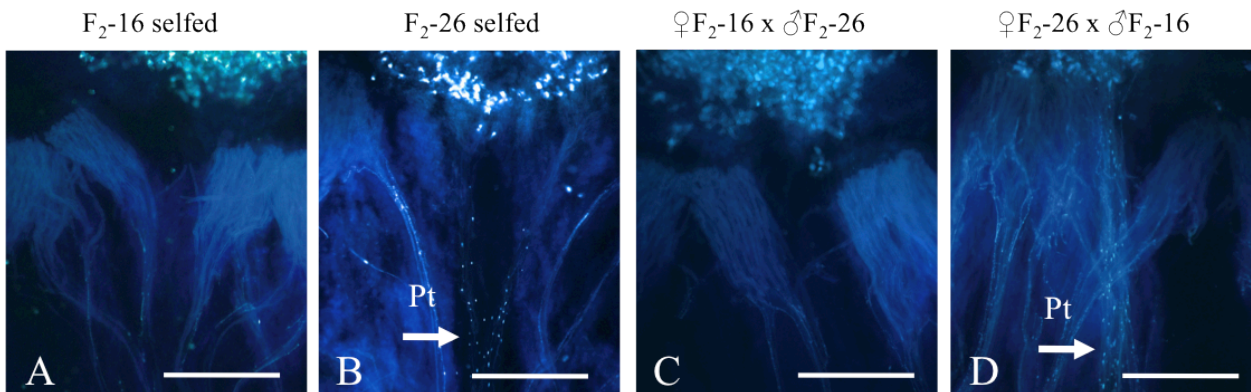


Fig. 1-11. Reciprocal crosses between two S_{46} homozygous individuals with different RLSICO₂ selected from the F₂ population.

CO₂-insensitive F₂-16 (A) shows low CO₂-sensitivity when pollinated with pollen from CO₂-sensitive F₂-26 (C), and CO₂-sensitive F₂-26 (B) shows high CO₂-sensitivity when pollinated with pollen from CO₂-insensitive F₂-16 (D). Pt, pollen tubes. n=3.

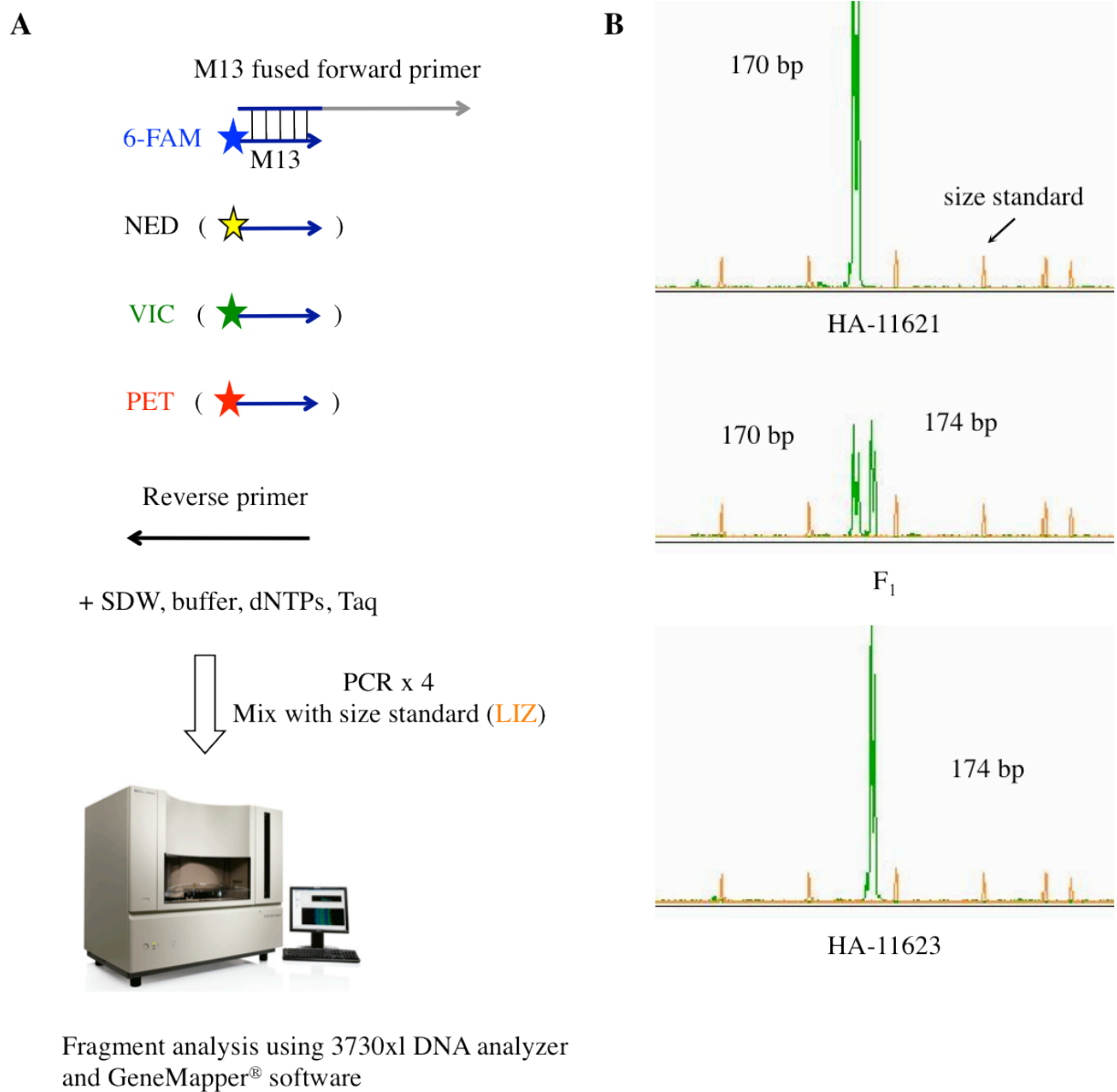


Fig. 1-12. Methodology of SSR marker genotyping using fragment analysis

Forward primer is fused to the M13 (-21) universal primer, which is labeled with one of the fluorescent dyes: 6-FAM (blue), NED (yellow), VIC (green), or PET (red). Four PCR products are mixed together with fluorescent dye LIZ-labeled (orange) size standard for fragment analysis (A) and one example of the genotyped data from PCR with VIC-labeled primer is shown in B.

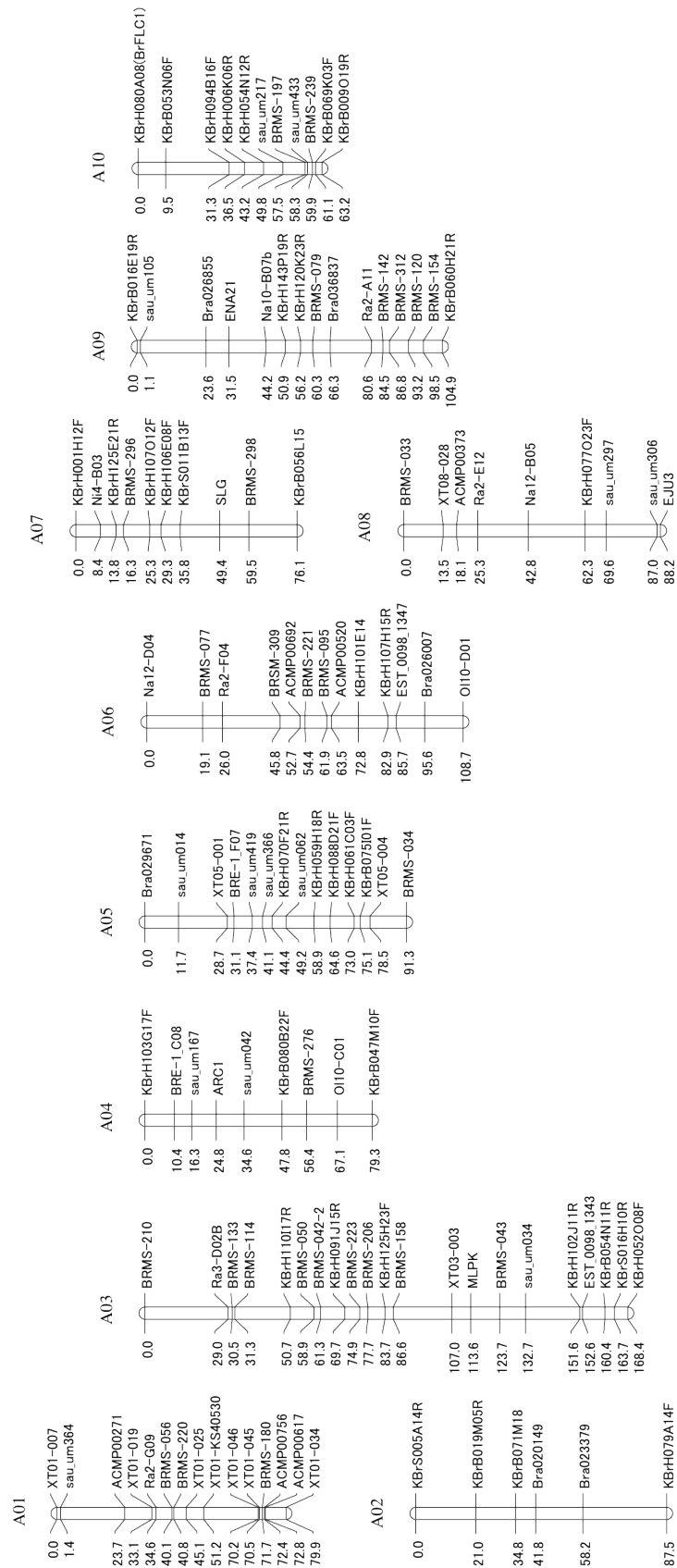
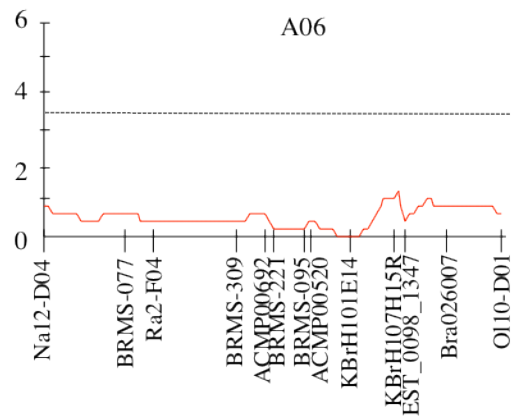
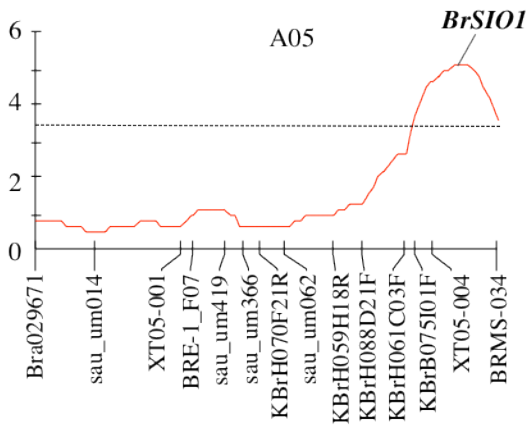
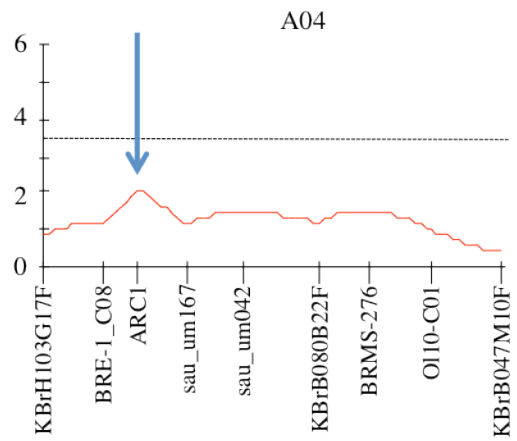
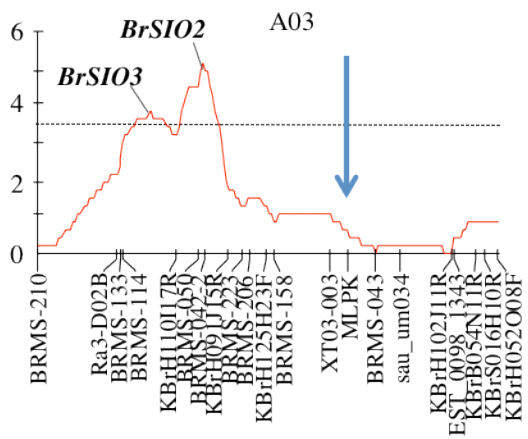
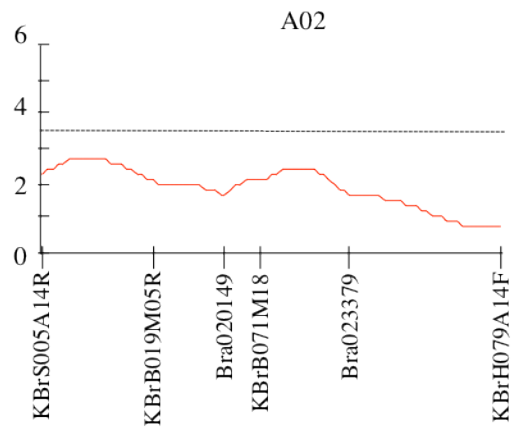
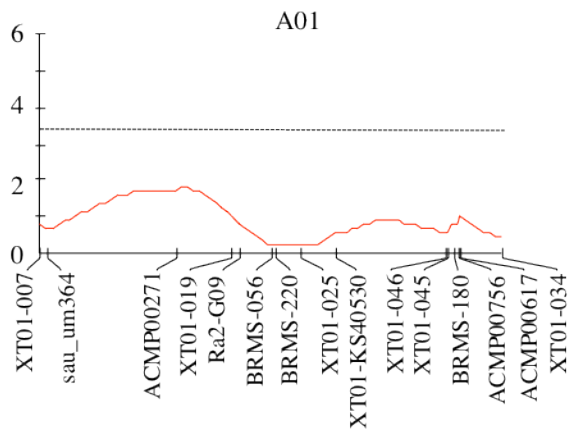


Fig. 1-13. Linkage map with 123 genetic markers



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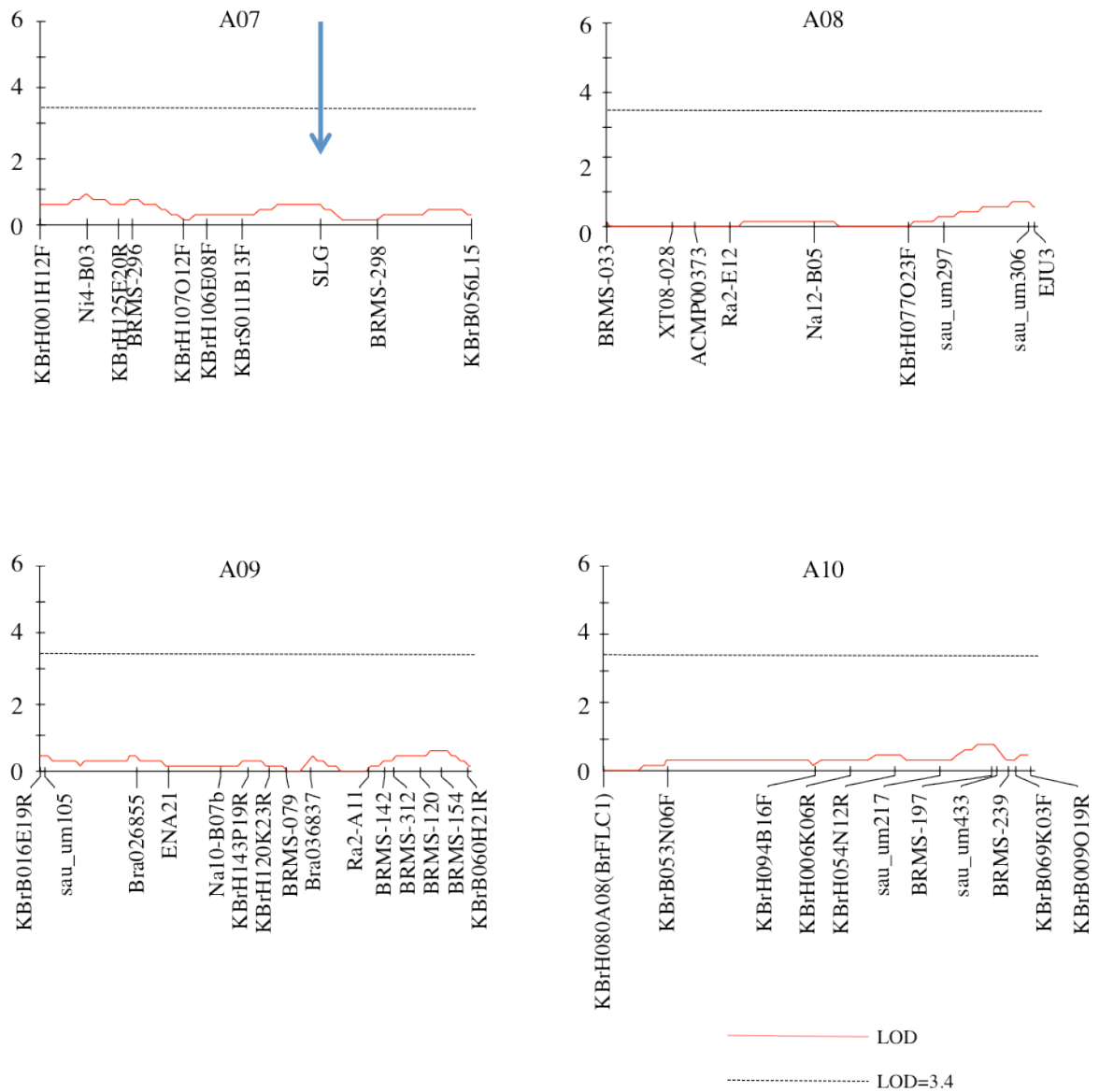


Fig. 1-14. QTL analysis results

Red solid line indicates LOD score and black dotted line indicates QTL threshold decided using 1000 permutation test ($p < 0.05$). X-axis represents each linkage group (cM) and Y-axis indicates QTL score. Two QTL (*BrSIO2*, 3) are detected in A03 and one in A05 (*BrSIO1*). No QTL was detected at *MLPK*, *ARC1* or *SLG* (*S*-locus) (arrows).

Table 1-1. S-haplotype segregation in F₂ population

Nr	Marker	Position (CM)	LG	Forward primer (5'-3')	Rverse primer (5'-3')	Type
1	XT01-007	0.00	A01	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGT GAGAAGAAGAAATACCTTTGGAG	GGAGGCACATAGAAGAGTGTGACT	SSR
2	sau_um364	1.36	A01	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTTCTACACGACGACTCTCTCTCT	GAGCGGTAAGGGAAGTTTGAG	SSR
3	ACMP00271	23.67	A01	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTGCAGCTACTCTCAITCTCA	CGTCCACCAATGACCAATA	SSR
4	XT01-019	33.08	A01	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTCTTTGGGAGTTCAGCCGATTTCG	CTTTAGTACCATTAAAGGTTGG	SSR
5	Ra2-G09	34.63	A01	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACAGCAAGGATGTGTTGACG	GATGAGCCTCTGGTTCAAGC	SSR
6	BRMS-056	40.12	A01	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTGTCAAGGCTACGGAGAGAGAG	CGTGACGTAGAGTAATCGAGT	SSR
7	BRMS-220	40.79	A01	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTCTGTAATGTTTAGGAGTGTACTTC	TTGCTTCAAGAAGGAGGTGAGGAGA	SSR
8	XT01-025	45.11	A01	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACTCGGTCGACAGATACTGCTC	CCTCCATTGTCAAAACCACTTCATC	SSR
9	XT01-KS40530	51.17	A01	GGAAGGTTTGACATGGTGGAC	GTTGACAGAGTAACCTCTGGACT	InDel
10	XT01-046	70.24	A01	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTGTGAAACAATTGAAAAGCATGA	AGCAGACCAACTTTAGGATTGTG	SSR
11	XT01-045	70.49	A01	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTCTATTACTTAGGGCAATTTAATTGAG	CGTAATCTGAAGCATACAAATTTGG	SSR
12	BRMS-180	71.75	A01	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTATAAAGTCTTCACTACCAGCTT	AGTCACTCTATCCGGCTGTACC	SSR
13	ACMP00756	72.35	A01	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTCTCATCTTTGCGCTCTCAC	GGATTGGGTTGGTCTTCTTC	SSR
14	ACMP00617	72.82	A01	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACTCAATGCTCTTCGCTCA	CCTTCTGCTTCCAAGAT	SSR
15	XT01-034	79.89	A01	GGTTTCGTTGCTCTATCGAGTAC	AAACATCGAAAACCTCCTTCATGC	InDel
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2	KBrB019M05R	21.05	A02	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACTGCAAAAGCAATGGATCTTCTCT	GTTTCCATTTTGAAGGAGAACAAAGGA	SSR
3	Bra020149	34.85	A02	CTAATACAGGCTTTGATTTCCG	ATACCACCTACTCGAGGCTAAGGAAG	RFLP
4	KBrB071M18	41.75	A02	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACCGTGATTTTCTCGGTAAGA	GTTTATCCCAAAATGTCCCTCAIA	SSR
5	Bra023379	58.25	A02	CTTCGCTTTTCAAAAGAGAGGTATG	ATGAGAGAGTTAAACTGGTGTGACC	InDel
6	KBrH079A14F	87.54	A02	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACTTCTTACCTTTTCCCTTTC	GTTTGAGTGGCAATGGAATTTCTCCAT	SSR
1	BRMS-210	0.00	A03	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACTTCTGATGATGATATGGA	TCGGAATTGATAAAGAAATCAA	SSR
2	Ra3-D02B	29.02	A03	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACAGAAACCGTGGCTAGA	AACCCAACTCAACGCTCTTG	SSR
3	BRMS-133	30.52	A03	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTAACTCCCTCTACCAACTCAATTTCT	GATCTTGAATAAAACCGCACTTGA	SSR
4	BRMS-114	31.25	A03	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACTCTCTTTCTCTCTCTCTCT	TGTTCTGATTTTTATTTCCTCGG	SSR
5	KBrH110117R	50.67	A03	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACTAGCTAGAGCTTGCACCTGAA	GTTTGGGAAACAAAGAGAAATGGAGAAA	SSR
6	BRMS-050	58.87	A03	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTAACTTTGCTTCCACTGATTTTT	TTGCTTAACGCTAAATCCATAT	SSR
7	BRMS-042-2	61.33	A03	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACTCCCGACAGCAACAAAGA	TTGCTTCTTTTGGGAATG	SSR
8	KBrH091J15R	69.71	A03	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACTTCCCGCAGATTTGAGTATAA	GTTTACGGTAACACTTTGAGTAAGGTGA	SSR
9	BRMS-223	74.85	A03	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACTGCTTTGCTTTTCAACG	CCTTCAACTTGTGTGAGGTGTTA	SSR
10	BRMS-206	77.73	A03	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTATTAGACTCTTTCAAAAACGCAAG	GATGACAACAACCTTCTCTGTGTA	SSR
11	KBrH125H23F	83.73	A03	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTAAAAGACAAAACCTCAAAACACTA	AAGCCTTTTGAACCTTCTCTGTGAT	SSR
12	BRMS-158	86.58	A03	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACCAGTAAACAAATCACGACCA	GTTTATGATTACATGCCCTGCTCCT	SSR
13	XT03-003	106.96	A03	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTTGAGTTTTGAGATTCGCAAC	CTCCTATAGGCTCTGTCACCAAC	SSR
14	MLPK	113.65	A03	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTGCACAAGCAATTTGAAGAGGATC	TAATCCGCTTTGGGTACAGTC	SSR
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20	KBrS016H10R	163.66	A03	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACTTTGCTGTTTGTCTTACGAC	GTTTGTAGCAACCAATTTGCTGCATT	SSR
21	KBrH052008F	168.42	A03	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTAGCAATACACTCTTTGAGCCGC	GTTTCAATCTTTTCCCAACCAAAATCC	SSR
1	KBrH103G17F	0.00	A04	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACAGCAAAAGCTTCAITGCCACA	GTTTGAGCAAAAGGCTGATTTCTCCAAA	SSR
2	BRE-1_C08	10.39	A04	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTAGAAATCTAATTTTCTCAITCTCA	GTTTCAACCCAAATCGAAAG	SSR
3	ARC1	16.31	A04	CACCATGGCCACTGATTCAGCAATGT	GATCAGGATCGTTCAATGAGGTTG	RFLP
4	sau_um167	24.76	A04	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTGGGGAAGGAGAGAGATTGC	CGATAGTCTCTCGATGTGCT	SSR
5	sau_um042	34.60	A04	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTCTCCATCATCTTCTCTCTCT	ATGTTCTTGTGGGGCTTCTC	SSR
6	KBrB080B22F	47.79	A04	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTAGCCTTTTGTCTTTTCAITCTGCTA	GTTTGGAGCCAAATGAAAGGTGAGAAA	SSR
7	BRMS-276	56.39	A04	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACCGCTTTTGTCTTTAAGAGCATT	TCACCACCAGTATCTCAACCAATCA	SSR
8	O10-C01	67.05	A04	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACTGCTTAAACAGCCGC	CTTCTCAACAAAGCTCGG	SSR
9	KBrB047M10F	79.29	A04	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACTGCTTGTCCATCTCCATAAC	GTTTGACCATAGTAAAGGCGTTCCG	SSR
1	Bra029671	0.00	A05	CTTCTACTGGATGTGATAGTCCG	AGCCTATCACTCCGGAGAGTTC	RFLP
2	sau_um014	11.66	A05	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTGAATCTGGTTCGGGTTCACTCT	CTCCTCACTCACTCTCTCTCTC	SSR
3	XT05-001	28.65	A05	AGAGTGACTCTCTTTTGGCCCAAC	CTGATCGTCACTCACTCTCG	RFLP
4	BRE-1_F07	31.14	A05	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTATTATCAACAGCCAACCAAAA	GTTTAGAGACTGACGGAACTTTGAA	SSR
5	sau_um419	37.44	A05	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTGCCTGAAAAGGTTGGTACTCGT	GGAGCCACGGTTATGAGGATTAG	SSR
6	sau_um366	41.15	A05	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTCTCTCTGATCACCACTCTCT	GCCTACGTCTTACAGCGAGAT	SSR
7	KBrH070F21R	44.43	A05	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTATCTCAACATCTGAAACCAAGT	GTTTACTAAGCTGCGTCCAAAAGC	SSR
8	sau_um062	49.21	A05	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTGAACAGCAGCAGGAGGAGAC	CGAACATGGACCAAGAGAGAAC	SSR
9	KBrH059H18R	58.87	A05	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACCACTTTCTAGATCTGTATGA	GTTTCTCCAGCTTCTCACTGTTTCC	SSR
10	KBrH088D21F	64.62	A05	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACTGTGACGGAGGCAATGACTTT	GTTTGTCCCTGGAATGCAAAAGTT	SSR
11	KBrH061C03F	73.01	A05	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACTGCTGCTCTTGTCTCTGTA	GTTTGTAGGCTGATGCTGAAGAAC	SSR
12	KBrB075101F	75.08	A05	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTACCGTGATTTTCTCGGTAAGA	GTTTATCCCAAAATGTCCCTCAIA	SSR
13	XT05-004	78.50	A05	GCTTTACTGGAGCTTCTCAGG	CTAACCAAGGCCACTCCATCACG	SSR
14	BRMS-034	91.28	A05	TGTA AACGACGGCCAGTATCAAAATAACGAACGGAGAGA	GAGCCAAGAAAGCACTAAGAT	SSR

Table 1-1. (continued)

Nr	Marker	Position (CM)	LG	Forward primer (5'-3')	Rverse primer (5'-3')	Type
1	Na12-D04	0.00	A06	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTACGGAGTGATGATGGGTCTC	CCTCAATGAAATGAAATATGTGTG	SSR
2	BRMS-077	19.08	A06	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTCCGCCGAATTTATAGTGTGTTTTACC	TCGATTAACACAGCTAAAATAAATG	SSR
3	Ra2-F04	25.99	A06	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTCTCAACACATAAATAAGAGAGAG	AACAACATAAAAGATTCAATTCG	SSR
4	BRMS-309	45.76	A06	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTCAAGAGCAAGTTTGAAACAAACGAT	CATCAGTCTTGATATGATGAGGTGA	SSR
5	ACMP00692	52.69	A06	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTGCAGTTGCAGAGCCAAGTAG	AACGTAACGCTTCTCTTCC	SSR
6	BRMS-221	54.39	A06	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTAAAGTCTTGACGTTTGAGGAAGAA	CAGGTTCTTATGAAGGACCATGCAT	SSR
7	BRMS-095	61.95	A06	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTGTCAATAACCAATGATGTGTCTGCT	GATCCCTAATCAAGAGACAGAGAG	SSR
8	ACMP00520	63.48	A06	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTCCGGCTTCTAGTGGGTAA	CGAGTCTTACTCGATGCAG	SSR
9	KBrH101E14	72.78	A06	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTATCGAAATCAAATCAAACCGCTC	GTTTCATCCAACACGTTTTCACAGA	SSR
10	KBrH107H15R	82.90	A06	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTACAGCGAGTGTAGTGACACGAAA	GTTTGCCTATCGTCTCTCATCTGCAT	SSR
11	EST_0098_1347	85.71	A06	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTATCTCTCTCCGAATCCAAA	GTTTAGCTGTATGAGACAGCTCTT	SSR
12	Bra026007	95.57	A06	GTGGTAAATGAGAGTTGGGTGTTTC	TTAGATAGAAGTCCCTCCCTGAAC	InDel
13	O110-D01	108.66	A06	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTCTCTGCCAAAAGCAAATAGC	CTTGCTCTCTCTCACCACC	SSR
1	KBrH001H12F	0.00	A07	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTAGGTGAGTCTCAGGTTCCAGTAG	GTTTCTCTGTGCCAATTGATTCGGTAA	SSR
2	Ni4-B03	8.37	A07	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTTGCTGTCTTCTGTGGAATTGTGC	ACTTCTTTACATTCTAATCCG	SSR
3	KBrH125E20R	13.76	A07	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTACATTCACTTGTAGTCCGCTCAGA	GTTTAAATGTCGAAGTGGGTTGGGA	SSR
4	BRMS-296	16.30	A07	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTCACTCAATATGTTGCTGAGAAAAGAG	TATATGAAACCGATGAAGCTCTTT	SSR
5	KBrH107O12F	25.34	A07	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTACAATGCTGGGAAGAAACTCTGTG	GTTTAGTCTCTCTCCGACCTCAA	SSR
6	KBrH106E08F	29.28	A07	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTATCGATCCTTGGATCTGCTGTAT	GTTTAAACGCTCAAAGGCGTTAATTC	SSR
7	KBrS011B13F	35.78	A07	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTAGACAGCTGCAAATGAGGTTAGA	GTTTAAAGGATACAGGGGGTGCAGT	SSR
8	SLG	49.36	A07	ATGAAAGCGCTAAGAAAACTTA	CCGTGTTTATTTAAGAAAAGAGCT	RFLP
9	BRMS-298	59.47	A07	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTCCACTTTTTATGACTCCAGTGTCTT	TGACCTGGTGAAGTGGTCTCGT	SSR
10	KBrB056L15	76.09	A07	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTAGGACAATCTTTTGIAACCCAA	GTTTCACTCAATCTCAATTTGAGA	SSR
1	BRMS-033	0.00	A08	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTCCGGAAACGAACACTCTCCCATGT	CCTCTTGTGCTTCCCTGGAGACG	SSR
2	X708-028	13.50	A08	GACTCCTGTCTCTCTCTCTCTC	TGACTCCGTGAAATATAGGATCG	SSR
3	ACMP00373	18.08	A08	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTGCAAGTTGGGAGATTTGGAT	GCCTCAAAGTCAATCATAG	SSR
4	Ra2-E12	25.31	A08	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTTGTAGTGTGCCACTTCCG	AAGAGAAACCAATAAAGTAGAAC	SSR
5	Na12-B05	42.85	A08	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTCAAATATCCGTCATCGGAGC	CCTCGGGATATTGAAGACC	SSR
6	KBrH077O23F	62.31	A08	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTACCTGTAATGTGACCCCAACAAT	GTTTAGTCAAATGGCTCTCTCCGCAA	SSR
7	sau_um297	69.64	A08	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTGGAAACACAGTGTGCACACTTA	ATGGTGAGATTGTGAAGAGGATG	SSR
8	sau_um306	87.00	A08	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTGTCTACTTGGTGGTGTAGCC	GTCCTCTCTCTCAATTCCTCGT	SSR
9	EJU3	88.21	A08	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTACCTCTTTAATCAAAAAGAAATCA	GTTTTCGGACAATGGCAGTGATA	SSR
1	KBrB016E19R	0.00	A09	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTATGTTGAGCTGCGAATACGTTCTCT	GTTTGAGCAATCTCACCTCTTCGTGT	SSR
2	sau_um105	1.05	A09	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTCTTCTAATGGGAAGCGGTAG	CTCCCTCTCGAATGACTCAC	SSR
3	Bra026855	23.56	A09	GAGTGGTGTCTGAGATCATGAGG	CTAGAAGGAAGAGACAGCAAG	InDel
4	ENA21	31.50	A09	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTAGACTGTTTGGAGCAGATGA	GTTGGAGACTTGGCTTTGTGT	SSR
5	Na10-B07b	44.15	A09	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTGCCTTAGATTAGATTGGTCCGC	ACTTCAGCTCCGATTGGCC	SSR
6	KBrH143P19R	50.88	A09	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTATAGACTCTTCCACCAAGTGGCAT	GTTTCGATCCCAATCTTGTGAAT	SSR
7	KBrH120K23R	56.21	A09	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTAGAATTTGGGGTCTGTACTGTCT	GTTTAAACAGACTGGGCGTTACGGAAA	SSR
8	BRMS-079	60.26	A09	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTGGGAAGATCCCAATCAAGAAAATG	AATGACCTTTGTGACCTTATTCGTT	SSR
9	Bra036837	66.33	A09	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTACTGACGTGACGTATACAGATGC	CTCCTCACGTTTCTATCAATAACC	SSR
10	Ra2-A11	80.64	A09	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTGACCTAATTTAATATGTCTGTTTACG	ACCTCACGGAGAGAAATCC	SSR
11	BRMS-142	84.52	A09	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTACTTGTCTTATTTGCATGGAAGG	TTGTTGCAITGCAITGAAGACTTC	SSR
12	BRMS-312	86.81	A09	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTGCAGCAATTAAGCTTCACAGTA	ATTTCAACATGACAGCGCTCTTC	SSR
13	BRMS-120	93.16	A09	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTGTGCAGTATACAGGCAAACTCGCA	GGTACGGCAGTCTCGGTCGGTTAA	SSR
14	BRMS-154	98.45	A09	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTATGAGACCGAAGAAAACAAAATCA	GGAACTTCCAGACTGTACTCTCT	SSR
15	KBrB060H21R	104.91	A09	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTATGACAGGTTACATTAATTTGTGCT	GTTTGAAGCCGTGTGAACCTCT	SSR
1	KBrH080A08(BrFLC1)	0.00	A10	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTATGAACCTATTTAGATTATAGCTGGC	GTTTGATGTTTTCTTCTTTTTCATC	SSR
2	KBrB053N06F	9.46	A10	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTATGATCTCCCATGGCTTCTTGATG	GTTTCCATATAAGGCCACGAAACAAA	SSR
3	KBrH094B16F	31.28	A10	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTACTTCTCTGATCTCACTCTCGG	GTTTCAAGCTCCTCTTGAACGACTC	SSR
4	KBrH006K06R	36.53	A10	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTAAGAGAGAGACACACACTCGG	GTTTAAATCGAATCCCAAAAGAGAGA	SSR
5	KBrH054N12R	43.19	A10	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTACCATGTGAACATCTGGAAGGTGA	GTTTGTGACGGCACTTCTACACCAG	SSR
6	sau_um217	49.81	A10	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTAACAGAAACGGTGTATGC	GTACTCCGAAAGCTCACTAAACG	SSR
7	BRMS-197	57.52	A10	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTCTATTACAAGTGCCTAACCCTGAAT	GCTCTCAACTGTTGTTGAGTGTTA	SSR
8	sau_um433	58.30	A10	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTAAGAGTCCACAGCAGGAGATTG	GGGATGAGAAAAGACAGGTGG	SSR
9	BRMS-239	59.95	A10	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTAATATTCGTCTGATTAATTCGGATTC	TCTCTGTATGACTCCATACTTTCC	SSR
10	KBrB069K03F	61.12	A10	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTAGCATTAATTTGCACAAGAGACGG	GTTTGGTTCGGTGTGTAATCC	SSR
11	KBrB009O19R	63.23	A10	TGTA AACACGACGGCCAGTACCCCTGGTCTCTTAGTCTTCC	GTTTGAAGCTGTTGAGTCTCTC	SSR

Table 1-2. *S*-haplotype segregation in F₂ population

<i>S</i> -genotype	<i>S</i> ₄₆ <i>S</i> ₄₆	<i>S</i> ₄₆ <i>S</i> ₅₅	<i>S</i> ₅₅ <i>S</i> ₅₅	Total	Goodness of fit		
Observed	22	64	24	110	Ratio	χ^2	<i>p</i>
Calculated	27.50	55.00	27.50	110.00	1:2:1	3.02	0.2-0.4
Average of RLSICO₂	2.22	2.51	2.49				

Table 1-3. Summary of QTL detected

QTL	LG	Closest marker	QTL peak (cM) ^a	LOD	R ^{2b}	Additive effect ^c
<i>BrSIO1</i>	A05	XT05-004	83.5	5.17	19.3	0.72
<i>BrSIO2</i>	A03	BRMS-042-2	60.87	4.46	19	0.69
<i>BrSIO3</i>	A03	KBrH110I17R	41.25	3.76	14.5	0.65

^a QTL peak position, detected by interval mapping, between two markers.

^b Amount of phenotypic variation explained by the QTL.

^c Additive effect of the CO₂-sensitive HA-11621 allele on RLSICO₂.

Table 1-4. Statistical analysis on QTL effect

QTL	<i>BrSIO1</i>			<i>BrSIO2</i>		<i>BrSIO3</i>	
Marker ^a	KBrB075I01F	XT05-004	BRMS-034	BRMS-042-2	BRMS-050	KBrH110I17R	BRMS-114
SS	3.12	3.17	3.24	3.10	3.09	3.01	3.01
IS	2.34	2.36	2.42	2.43	2.47	2.45	2.30
II	2.02	1.93	2.06	1.87	1.84	1.86	2.03

^a S, CO₂-susceptible HA-11621 allele; I, CO₂-insusceptible HA-11623 allele

^b Kruskal-Wallis analysis comparing phenotype between genotype groups with individuals in the same groups,

^c Significant different level, **, $p < 0.01$; *, $p < 0.05$

Table 1-5. QTL association for CO₂-sensitivity

Group no.	Marker ^a		No. of individual ^b	Mean RLSICO ₂	
	XT05-004	BRMS-042-2			
1	SS	SS	5	3.86	
2	SS	IS	13	3.23	* * * ^c
3	SS	II	5	2.40	
4	IS	SS	13	3.12	
5	IS	IS	23	2.37	
6	IS	II	13	1.63	
7	II	SS	6	2.42	
8	II	IS	16	1.78	
9	II	II	3	1.71	

^a S, CO₂-susceptible HA-11621 allele; I, CO₂-insusceptible HA-11623 allele

^b Genotype unidentified individuals are excluded

^c Significant different level, *, $p < 0.05$

Table 1-6. Annotated genes and *Arabidopsis* homologues in *BrSIO1*

Gene ID	LG	Start	End	AGI	Description	Slide A	Slide B	Slide C	AVE
Bra004778	A05	1802120	1804421	AT2G43710	Encodes a stearyl-ACP desaturase	355.3	361.7	372.9	363.3
Bra004779	A05	1805009	1805659	AT2G43730	Mannose-binding lectin superfamily protein				
Bra004780	A05	1806494	1807130	AT2G43730	Mannose-binding lectin superfamily protein				
Bra004781	A05	1807522	1809777	AT2G43750	Arabidopsis thaliana O-acetylserine (thiol) lyase (OAS-TL) isoform oasB	272.7	287.7	333.2	297.9
Bra004782	A05	1810520	1811050	AT2G43760	molybdopterin biosynthesis MoaE family protein	123.3	118.4	163.2	134.9
Bra004783	A05	1811154	1813258	AT2G43770	Transducin/WD40 repeat-like superfamily protein	225.5	203.2	203.4	210.7
Bra004784	A05	1814778	1816787	AT2G43790	MAP KINASE 6	207.4	162.7	178.5	182.9
Bra004785	A05	1817117	1818644	AT2G43795	unknown protein				
Bra004786	A05	1822215	1825011	AT2G43800	Actin-binding FH2 (formin homology 2) family protein	343.2	339.3	349.8	344.1
Bra004787	A05	1828516	1830271	AT2G43820	Arabidopsis thaliana salicylic acid glucosyltransferase 1				
Bra004788	A05	1831237	1832659	AT2G43820	Arabidopsis thaliana salicylic acid glucosyltransferase 1				
Bra004789	A05	1837991	1839351	AT2G43880	Pectin lyase-like superfamily protein				
Bra004790	A05	1846616	1848000	AT2G43880	Pectin lyase-like superfamily protein				
Bra004791	A05	1849377	1850884	AT2G43880	Pectin lyase-like superfamily protein				
Bra004792	A05	1851396	1853277	AT2G43910	HARMLESS TO OZONE LAYER 1 (HOL1)				
Bra004793	A05	1857759	1859109	AT2G43910	HARMLESS TO OZONE LAYER 1 (HOL1)				
Bra004794	A05	1860370	1861952	AT2G43945	unknown protein				
Bra004795	A05	1863096	1865725	AT2G43970	RNA-binding protein	145.7	150.2	139.6	145.1
Bra004796	A05	1866075	1868706	AT2G43980	inositol 1,3,4-trisphosphate 5/6-kinase 4 (ITPK4)	105.7	112.6	88.8	102.4
Bra004797	A05	1868986	1870488	AT2G43990	unknown protein	26.8	25.9	26.9	26.5
Bra004798	A05	1871248	1871856	AT2G44000	Late embryogenesis abundant (LEA) hydroxyproline-rich glycoprotein family				
Bra004799	A05	1873482	1873766	AT2G44010	unknown protein				
Bra004800	A05	1874741	1876084	AT2G44020	Mitochondrial transcription termination factor family protein	77.3	76.5	74.7	76.2
Bra004801	A05	1877612	1879360	AT2G44065	Ribosomal protein L2 family	209.7	234.3	228.9	224.3
Bra004802	A05	1881187	1889019	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra004803	A05	1892847	1893176	AT2G44080	Encodes ARL, a gene similar to ARGOS involved in cell expansion-dependent organ growth	98.5	114.5	104.0	105.7
Bra004804	A05	1894119	1896095	AT2G44090	Ankyrin repeat family protein	73.1	74.2	96.1	81.2
Bra004805	A05	1898162	1900945	AT2G44100	GDP dissociation inhibitor involved in vesicular membrane traffic	798.2	773.1	758.3	776.6
Bra004806	A05	1902291	1903374	AT2G44120	Ribosomal protein L30/L7 family protein	1391.5	1390.2	1443.3	1408.3
Bra004807	A05	1908181	1909470	AT2G44130	Galactose oxidase/kelch repeat superfamily protein				
Bra004808	A05	1909664	1911216	AT2G44140	Peptidase family C54 protein				
Bra004809	A05	1912514	1914621	AT2G44150	Encodes a protein-lysine N-methyltransferase. Located in ER.	92.3	88.6	81.4	87.4
Bra004810	A05	1915442	1918534	AT2G44160	methylenetetrahydrofolate reductase MTHFR2 mRNA, complete				
Bra004811	A05	1919370	1921218	AT2G44190	Encodes a novel microtubule binding protein	50.6	49.0	63.4	54.3
Bra004812	A05	1921741	1923420	AT2G44195	CBF1-interacting co-repressor CIR, N-terminal;Pre-mRNA splicing factor				
Bra004813	A05	1926040	1927962	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra004815	A05	1933683	1935558	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra004816	A05	1936960	1939048	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra004817	A05	1939997	1941807	AT2G44230	Plant protein of unknown function (DUF946)	96.2	86.0	85.8	89.3
Bra004818	A05	1943704	1945964	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra004819	A05	1947849	1950090	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra004820	A05	1952417	1954357	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra004821	A05	1965165	1969541	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra004822	A05	1970933	1973160	AT2G44270	Encodes ROL5, a repressor of lrx1 mutants that develop aberrant root hairs	74.2	78.7	71.0	74.6
Bra004823	A05	1974209	1976693	AT2G44280	Major facilitator superfamily protein				
Bra004824	A05	1978048	1979340	AT2G44290	Bifunctional inhibitor/lipid-transfer protein/seed storage 2S albumin superfamily protein				
Bra004825	A05	1984033	1984575	AT2G44340	VQ motif-containing protein				
Bra004826	A05	1987355	1988083	AT2G44370	Cysteine/Histidine-rich C1 domain family protein				
Bra004827	A05	1992070	1994016	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra004828	A05	1995264	1996025	AT2G44370	Cysteine/Histidine-rich C1 domain family protein				
Bra004829	A05	1997885	1999084	AT2G44410	RING/U-box superfamily protein				
Bra004830	A05	1999513	2001278	AT2G44420	protein N-terminal asparagine amidohydrolase family protein	41.6	42.0	44.9	42.8
Bra004831	A05	2002992	2005950	AT2G44430	DNA-binding bromodomain-containing protein				
Bra004832	A05	2006506	2008503	AT2G44440	Emsy N Terminus (ENT) domain-containing protein	47.8	56.6	46.1	50.2
Bra004833	A05	2013630	2016348	AT2G44450	beta glucosidase 15 (BGLU15)	64.3	60.3	68.0	64.2
Bra004834	A05	2020029	2022302	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra004835	A05	2025706	2029646	AT2G44450	beta glucosidase 15 (BGLU15).	64.3	60.3	68.0	64.2
Bra004836	A05	2035186	2039155	AT2G44450	beta glucosidase 15 (BGLU15)				
Bra004837	A05	2042204	2066541	AT2G44460	beta glucosidase 28 (BGLU28)	22.6	19.5	18.7	20.3
Bra004838	A05	2074677	2077758	AT2G44450	beta glucosidase 15 (BGLU15)				
Bra004839	A05	2080458	2083229	AT2G44490	Encodes a glycosyl hydrolase	43.2	46.4	46.5	45.4
Bra004840	A05	2086734	2089770	AT2G44450	beta glucosidase 15 (BGLU15)				
Bra004841	A05	2099727	2101689	AT2G44500	O-fucosyltransferase family protein	185.0	191.9	183.6	186.8
Bra004842	A05	2102608	2104660	AT2G44520	cytochrome c oxidase 10 (COX10)	84.6	86.9	86.4	86.0
Bra004843	A05	2105300	2106562	AT2G44525	Protein of unknown function (DUF498/DUF598)	186.7	183.3	165.9	178.6
Bra004844	A05	2107659	2109389	AT2G44540	glycosyl hydrolase 9B9 (GH9B9)				
Bra004845	A05	2111987	2113709	AT2G44540	glycosyl hydrolase 9B9 (GH9B9)				
Bra004846	A05	2116326	2118247	AT2G44560	glycosyl hydrolase 9B11 (GH9B11)				
Bra004847	A05	2124205	2124642	AT2G44581	RING/U-box superfamily protein				
Bra004848	A05	2125608	2127401	AT2G44580	zinc ion binding				
Bra004849	A05	2129746	2130591	AT2G44600	unknown protein				
Bra004850	A05	2133155	2135330	AT2G44610	Encodes a GTP-binding protein with similarity to yeast YPT6	242.5	239.0	208.8	230.1
Bra004851	A05	2136308	2136887	AT2G44620	Encodes a member of the mitochondrial acyl carrier protein (ACP) family.	518.5	491.2	524.1	511.3
Bra004852	A05	2137601	2139679	AT2G44640	unknown protein	184.6	186.0	177.7	182.8
Bra004853	A05	2139867	2141063	AT2G44650	Encodes a chloroplast-localized chaperonin 10	686.8	690.6	647.1	674.8
Bra004854	A05	2142969	2145037	AT2G44660	ALG6, ALG8 glycosyltransferase family				
Bra004855	A05	2147596	2147974	AT2G44670	Protein of unknown function (DUF581)	479.1	485.0	473.6	479.2
Bra004856	A05	2149090	2150324	AT2G44680	Encodes casein kinase II beta chain, a CK2 regulatory subunit.	137.6	137.4	140.7	138.6
Bra004857	A05	2151542	2152819	AT2G44690	A member of ROP GTPase gene family.	34.0	40.3	29.4	34.5
Bra004858	A05	2153663	2157318	AT2G44710	RNA-binding (RRM/RBD/RNP motifs) family protein	61.7	79.6	77.6	73.0
Bra004859	A05	2158462	2159370	AT2G44730	Alcohol dehydrogenase transcription factor Myb/SANT-like family protein	56.2	48.3	45.6	50.0
Bra004860	A05	2160277	2160909	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra004861	A05	2161320	2162135	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra004862	A05	2162865	2164474	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra004863	A05	2164973	2166282	AT2G44740	cyclin p4;1 (CYCP4;1)	102.9	110.4	121.4	111.6
Bra004864	A05	2169762	2171241	AT2G44745	WRKY family transcription factor	20.8	33.3	26.7	27.0
Bra004865	A05	2176019	2177933	AT2G44760	unknown protein	49.5	54.5	42.4	48.8

Table 1-6. (continued)

Bra004866	A05	2179844	2180803	AT2G44790	UCLACYANIN 2				
Bra004867	A05	2184212	2186273	AT2G44800	2-oxoglutarate (2OG) and Fe(II)-dependent oxygenase superfamily protein				
Bra004868	A05	2204575	2205768	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra004869	A05	2207070	2208410	AT2G44810	DEFECTIVE ANther DEHISCENCE 1				
Bra004870	A05	2217092	2217645	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra004871	A05	2222111	2222983	AT2G44820	unknown protein	186.4	184.1	191.6	187.4
Bra004872	A05	2228412	2231516	AT2G44830	Protein kinase superfamily protein	137.5	134.7	137.7	136.6
Bra004873	A05	2234840	2235538	AT2G44840	ETHYLENE-RESPONSIVE ELEMENT BINDING FACTOR 13	123.2	116.5	117.9	119.2
Bra004874	A05	2237723	2239355	AT2G44910	ARABIDOPSIS THALIANA HOMEODOMAIN-LEUCINE ZIPPER PROTEIN 4	13.7	16.8	15.0	15.2
Bra004875	A05	2247722	2249159	AT2G44920	Tetratricopeptide repeat (TPR)-like superfamily protein	160.5	161.0	185.5	169.0
Bra004876	A05	2249958	2250774	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra004877	A05	2252356	2257044	AT2G44930	Plant protein of unknown function (DUF247)				
Bra004878	A05	2263243	2264091	AT2G44940	encodes a member of the DREB subfamily A-4 of ERF/AP2 transcription factor family.	41.0	41.9	38.6	40.5
Bra004879	A05	2270073	2274586	AT2G44950	encodes one of two orthologous E3 ubiquitin ligases in Arabidopsis	71.2	78.0	73.0	74.1
Bra004880	A05	2275277	2277507	AT2G44970	alpha/beta-Hydrolases superfamily protein	131.9	125.6	123.2	126.9
Bra004881	A05	2278325	2283046	AT2G44980	SNF2 domain-containing protein / helicase domain-containing protein	24.5	28.6	27.1	26.7
Bra004882	A05	2283365	2286657	AT2G45000	EMBRYO DEFECTIVE 2766 (EMB2766)				
Bra004883	A05	2287086	2288787	AT2G45010	PLAC8 family protein	129.8	144.1	126.1	133.3
Bra004884	A05	2290046	2294328	AT2G45030	Translation elongation factor EFG/EF2 protein				
Bra004885	A05	2296232	2297251	AT2G45040	Matrixin family protein				
Bra004886	A05	2302497	2303350	AT2G45050	Encodes a member of the GATA factor family of zinc finger transcription factors.				
Bra004887	A05	2305445	2305696	AT2G45070	Sec61 Beta Subunit	932.4	956.1	1002.5	963.7
Bra004888	A05	2310343	2311104	AT2G45080	cyclin p3;1 (cyp3;1)	48.4	43.3	43.9	45.2
Bra004889	A05	2314366	2315456	AT2G45110	member of BETA-EXPANSINS.				
Bra004890	A05	2323211	2326057	AT2G45110	member of BETA-EXPANSINS.				
Bra004891	A05	2331494	2332478	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra004892	A05	2332987	2338977	AT2G45220	Plant invertase/pectin methylesterase inhibitor superfamily				
Bra004893	A05	2344666	2347543	AT2G45240	Encodes a cytoplasmic MAPI like methionine aminopeptidase	227.3	242.2	222.1	230.5
Bra004894	A05	2347927	2349138	AT2G45260	Plant protein of unknown function (DUF641)				
Bra004895	A05	2349797	2352347	AT2G45270	Mitochondrial protein essential for embryo development.				
Bra004896	A05	2353963	2355351	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra004897	A05	2364883	2367127	AT2G45280	Encodes a protein similar to RAD51C	45.2	44.9	43.2	44.4
Bra004898	A05	2367652	2370453	AT2G45290	Transketolase	47.3	54.4	79.6	60.4
Bra004899	A05	2371226	2378801	AT2G45330	RNA 2'-phosphotransferase/ transferase, transferring phosphorus-containing groups				

Genes listed in BOLD are expressing in carpel based on Microarray data NASCArrays, and signal from 3 individual slides and those average are shown.

Table 1-7. Annotated genes and *Arabidopsis* homologues in *BrSIO2*

Gene ID	LG	Start	End	AGI	Description	Slide A	Slide B	Slide C	AVE
Bra012922	A03	21503679	21504755	AT3G49790	Carbohydrate-binding protein	37.5	35.7	42.1	38.4
Bra012921	A03	21506279	21506569	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012920	A03	21506932	21509115	AT3G49740	pentatricopeptide (PPR) repeat-containing protein	33.3	20.4	23.9	25.9
Bra012919	A03	21520607	21521649	AT3G49850	Encodes a telomeric DNA binding protein.	42.6	40.7	33.9	39.1
Bra012918	A03	21522066	21523153	AT3G49860	A member of ARF-like GTPase family	-	-	-	-
Bra012917	A03	21525865	21527832	AT3G49890	unknown protein	42.3	35.4	43.1	40.2
Bra012916	A03	21528338	21528778	AT3G49910	Translation protein SH3-like family protein	2606.1	2733.3	2843.0	2727.4
Bra012915	A03	21529958	21531257	AT3G49920	Encodes a voltage-dependent anion channel.	-	-	-	-
Bra012914	A03	21533867	21534508	AT3G49930	C2H2 and C2HC zinc fingers superfamily protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012913	A03	21541449	21542267	AT3G49940	LOB domain-containing protein 38 (LBD38)	62.4	54.6	67.5	61.5
Bra012912	A03	21549497	21550945	AT3G49990	unknown protein	137.9	145.5	123.6	135.6
Bra012911	A03	21570191	21571431	AT3G50040	unknown protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012910	A03	21573956	21574837	AT3G50060	Encodes a member of the R2R3 transcription factor gene family.	711.5	716.7	722.0	716.7
Bra012909	A03	21583387	21584617	AT3G50070	Encode CYCD3;3, a CYCD3 D-type cyclin.	481.9	467.3	473.2	474.1
Bra012908	A03	21588821	21591662	AT3G50110	Encodes a phosphatase with low in vitro tyrosine phosphatase activity	55.2	47.4	47.5	50.0
Bra012907	A03	21592701	21594635	AT3G50120	Plant protein of unknown function (DUF247)	-	-	-	-
Bra012906	A03	21597258	21599046	AT3G50130	Plant protein of unknown function (DUF247)	-	-	-	-
Bra012905	A03	21600007	21602471	AT3G50140	Plant protein of unknown function (DUF247)	-	-	-	-
Bra012904	A03	21609574	21611627	AT3G50120	Plant protein of unknown function (DUF247)	-	-	-	-
Bra012903	A03	21620360	21621754	AT3G50390	Transducin/WD40 repeat-like superfamily protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012902	A03	21622445	21623207	AT3G50400	GDLS-like Lipase/Acylhydrolase superfamily protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012901	A03	21630236	21630964	AT3G50410	Arabidopsis Dof protein containing a single 51-amino acid zinc finger DNA-binding domain	70.5	79.0	81.6	77.0
Bra012900	A03	21631175	21633316	AT3G50420	Pentatricopeptide repeat (PPR) superfamily protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012899	A03	21634500	21635632	AT3G50440	Encodes a protein shown to have methyl jasmonate esterase activity in vitro.	-	-	-	-
Bra012898	A03	21646727	21647884	AT3G50450	Homolog of RPW8	-	-	-	-
Bra012897	A03	21648630	21650423	AT3G50500	encodes a member of SNF1-related protein kinases (SnRK2)	178.8	185.4	183.2	182.5
Bra012896	A03	21650998	21654747	AT3G50520	Phosphoglycerate mutase family protein	120.1	133.2	124.4	125.9
Bra012895	A03	21656123	21657262	AT3G50620	P-loop containing nucleoside triphosphate hydrolases superfamily protein	68.7	61.8	52.5	61.0
Bra012894	A03	21677192	21678080	AT3G50630	Kip-related protein (KRP) gene	93.4	89.3	80.4	87.7
Bra012893	A03	21684916	21686388	AT3G50740	UGT72E1 is an UDPG:coniferyl alcohol glucosyltransferase which specifically glucosylates sinapyl- and coniferyl aldehydes.	-	-	-	-
Bra012892	A03	21689260	21690705	AT3G50470	UGT72E1 is an UDPG:coniferyl alcohol glucosyltransferase which specifically glucosylates sinapyl- and coniferyl aldehydes.	-	-	-	-
Bra012891	A03	21701000	21701975	AT3G50750	BES1/BZR1 homolog 1 (BEH1)	-	-	-	-
Bra012890	A03	21712848	21713864	AT3G50760	Encodes a protein with putative galacturonosyltransferase activity.	15.1	22.2	21.3	19.5
Bra012889	A03	21721289	21721900	AT3G50770	calmodulin-like 41 (CML41)	30.1	28.6	25.1	28.0
Bra012888	A03	21729319	21731296	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012887	A03	21731833	21732303	AT3G50800	unknown protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012886	A03	21735261	21735878	AT3G50810	Uncharacterised protein family (UPF0497)	62.4	74.8	60.1	65.8
Bra012885	A03	21739425	21744048	AT3G50830	cold acclimation protein WCOR413-like protein beta form	176.7	172.0	166.3	171.7
Bra012884	A03	21743712	21744839	AT3G50860	Clathrin adaptor complex small chain family protein	84.4	90.3	87.9	87.6
Bra012883	A03	21788116	21789296	AT3G50870	Encodes a GATA transcriptional regulator required to position the proembryo boundary in the early embryo.	30.0	49.1	50.4	43.2
Bra012882	A03	21799851	21803215	AT3G50890	homeobox protein 28 (HB28)	59.6	52.7	56.7	56.3
Bra012881	A03	21806412	21806831	AT3G50900	unknown protein	12.1	29.1	14.7	18.6
Bra012880	A03	21808947	21810344	AT3G50910	unknown protein	134.8	141.5	125.2	133.8
Bra012879	A03	21810726	21814469	AT3G50920	Encodes a phosphatidic acid phosphatase that can be detected in chloroplast membrane fractions.	119.6	123.1	135.3	126.0
Bra012878	A03	21819325	21820083	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012877	A03	21823544	21825055	AT3G50930	cytochrome BC1 synthesis (BCS1)	-	-	-	-
Bra012876	A03	21825545	21827016	AT3G50960	Encodes a protein that functions in microtubule assembly.	107.8	113.2	114.5	111.8
Bra012875	A03	21827741	21828842	AT3G51000	alpha/beta-Hydrolases superfamily protein	74.0	67.9	87.4	76.4
Bra012874	A03	21829127	21830246	AT3G51010	unknown protein	361.5	373.1	367.8	367.5
Bra012873	A03	21830934	21831338	AT3G51020	unknown protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012872	A03	21833447	21834370	AT3G51030	encodes a cytosolic thioredoxin	108.0	118.5	120.6	115.7
Bra012871	A03	21835581	21841120	AT3G51050	FG-GAP repeat-containing protein	224.6	241.3	233.2	233.0
Bra012870	A03	21842601	21844033	AT3G51090	Protein of unknown function (DUF1640)	47.3	38.6	41.7	42.5
Bra012869	A03	21844794	21846222	AT3G51100	unknown protein	174.9	164.3	172.6	170.6
Bra012868	A03	21848187	21853892	AT3G51120	DNA binding;zinc ion binding;nucleic acid binding;nucleic acid binding	105.9	101.4	99.0	102.1
Bra012867	A03	21860025	21864871	AT3G51130	unknown protein	194.6	215.8	198.9	203.1
Bra012866	A03	21867468	21874187	AT3G51150	ATP binding microtubule motor family protein	70.3	73.0	68.9	70.7
Bra012865	A03	21874550	21875635	AT3G51160	Catalyzes the first step in the de novo synthesis of GDP-L-fucose.	143.6	139.1	144.0	142.2
Bra012864	A03	21879896	21880840	AT3G51190	Ribosomal protein L2 family	-	-	-	-
Bra012863	A03	21882120	21882813	AT3G51220	Plant protein of unknown function (DUF827)	-	-	-	-
Bra012862	A03	21884085	21885545	AT3G51240	Encodes flavanone 3-hydroxylase that is coordinately expressed with chalcone synthase and chalcone isomerases.	821.2	840.4	864.6	842.1
Bra012861	A03	21887206	21888537	AT3G51260	20S proteasomal alpha subunits. Interacts with SnRK, SKP1/ASK1 during proteasomal binding of an SCF ubiquitin ligase.	425.4	398.9	393.3	405.9
Bra012860	A03	21889549	21892303	AT3G51270	protein serine/threonine kinases:ATP binding;catalytics	55.4	57.8	59.5	57.6
Bra012859	A03	21892762	21894206	AT3G51280	Tetratricopeptide repeat (TPR)-like superfamily protein	130.2	136.3	136.0	134.2
Bra012858	A03	21895239	21896289	AT3G51300	Encodes a pollen-specific Rop GTPase, member of the Rho family of small GTP binding proteins that interacts with RIC3 and RIC4 to control tip growth in pollen tubes.	61.6	52.6	63.6	59.2
Bra012857	A03	21896574	21899299	AT3G51330	Eukaryotic aspartyl protease family protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012856	A03	21904574	21904843	AT3G51370	Protein phosphatase 2C family protein	153.8	151.7	137.4	147.7
Bra012855	A03	21907338	21907726	AT3G51380	IQ-domain 20 (IQD20)	-	-	-	-
Bra012854	A03	21909542	21910375	AT3G51400	Arabidopsis protein of unknown function (DUF241)	-	-	-	-
Bra012853	A03	21913022	21913759	AT3G51410	Arabidopsis protein of unknown function (DUF241)	-	-	-	-
Bra012852	A03	21916802	21917020	AT3G51500	unknown protein	48.2	50.3	62.4	53.6
Bra012851	A03	21917365	21918998	AT3G51520	diacylglycerol acyltransferase family	122.5	119.7	125.3	122.5
Bra012850	A03	21919767	21922457	AT3G51550	FERONIA	376.0	401.5	400.2	392.6
Bra012849	A03	21923814	21925904	AT3G51580	unknown protein	51.3	49.3	50.9	50.5
Bra012848	A03	21927444	21928521	AT3G51590	Encodes a member of the lipid transfer protein family.	-	-	-	-
Bra012847	A03	21930765	21931269	AT3G51600	Predicted to encode a PR (pathogenesis-related) protein.	445.7	451.8	490.3	462.6
Bra012846	A03	21935886	21938732	AT3G51620	Tautomerase/MIF superfamily protein	86.5	92.4	95.1	91.3
Bra012845	A03	21943489	21944494	AT3G51660	Tautomerase/MIF superfamily protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012843	A03	21956417	21961018	AT3G51670	SEC14 cytosolic factor family protein / phosphoglyceride transfer family protein	479.7	485.7	488.2	483.5

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Bra012844	A03	21958056	21958801	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012842	A03	21966018	21967077	AT3G51680	NAD(P)-binding Rossmann-fold superfamily protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012841	A03	21972702	21974345	AT3G51710	D-mannose binding lectin protein with Apple-like carbohydrate-binding domain	-	-	-	-
Bra012840	A03	21975321	21976436	AT3G51730	saposin B domain-containing protein	572.7	536.3	516.2	541.7
Bra012839	A03	21976993	21977610	AT3G51750	unknown protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012838	A03	21979034	21982030	AT3G51770	Encodes a negative regulator of 1-aminocyclopropane-1-carboxylic acid synthase5(ACS5)	43.9	44.7	33.4	40.6
Bra012837	A03	21987354	21988859	AT3G51780	A member of Arabidopsis BAG (Bcl-2-associated athanogene) proteins, plant homologs of mammalian regulators of apoptosis.	143.2	143.7	135.0	140.6
Bra012836	A03	21989642	21991826	AT3G51800	putative nuclear DNA-binding protein G2p (AtG2) mRNA,	910.4	862.2	1000.7	924.4
Bra012835	A03	21999149	22001348	AT3G51850	member of Calcium Dependent Protein Kinase	335.9	298.4	278.9	304.4
Bra012834	A03	22012543	22013294	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012833	A03	22014395	22021133	AT3G51860	cation exchanger 3 (CAX3)	189.0	184.3	180.4	184.6
Bra012832	A03	22021830	22022840	AT3G51880	Encodes a protein belonging to the subgroup of HMGB (high mobility group B) proteins that have a distinctive DNA-binding motif, the HMG-box domain.	218.6	213.7	212.6	215.0
Bra012831	A03	22023678	22028202	AT3G51895	Encodes a sulfate transporter.	363.7	386.5	370.0	373.4
Bra012830	A03	22038200	22038427	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012829	A03	22040320	22041629	AT3G51910	member of Heat Stress Transcription Factor (Hsf) family	143.2	140.4	129.7	137.8
Bra012828	A03	22042610	22048354	AT3G51910	member of Heat Stress Transcription Factor (Hsf) family	143.2	140.4	129.7	137.8
Bra012827	A03	22058579	22060504	AT3G51950	Zinc finger (CCCH-type) family protein / RNA recognition motif (RRM)-containing protein	667.3	644.2	633.5	648.3
Bra012826	A03	22062557	22062958	AT3G52000	serine carboxypeptidase-like 36 (scpl36)	-	-	-	-
Bra012824	A03	22064355	22067631	AT3G52030	F-box family protein with WD40/YVTN repeat domain	-	-	-	-
Bra012825	A03	22066539	22066980	AT3G52040	unknown protein	294.8	274.3	316.8	295.3
Bra012823	A03	22068270	22070117	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012822	A03	22071617	22074763	AT3G52080	encodes a cation:proton exchanger expressed in pollen	-	-	-	-
Bra012821	A03	22075262	22075790	AT3G52090	Non-catalytic subunit common to nuclear DNA-dependent RNA polymerases II, IV and V	560.5	596.4	607.7	588.2
Bra012820	A03	22076368	22080442	AT3G52100	RING/FYVE/PHD-type zinc finger family protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012819	A03	22081654	22082025	AT3G52130	Bifunctional inhibitor/lipid-transfer protein/seed storage 2S albumin superfamily protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012818	A03	22086290	22087251	AT3G52155	Phosphoglycerate mutase family protein	50.6	51.5	50.1	50.7
Bra012817	A03	22087520	22089021	AT3G52160	Encodes KCS15, a member of the 3-ketoacyl-CoA synthase family involved in the biosynthesis of VLCFA (very long chain fatty acids).	-	-	-	-
Bra012816	A03	22089446	22091224	AT3G52170	DNA binding	106.1	92.3	79.6	92.7
Bra012815	A03	22093983	22101222	AT3G52250	Encodes a protein with a putative role in mRNA splicing.	-	-	-	-
Bra012814	A03	22101545	22105804	AT3G52260	Pseudouridine synthase family protein	42.8	38.5	30.9	37.4
Bra012813	A03	22106896	22108296	AT3G52270	Transcription initiation factor IIF, beta subunit	-	-	-	-
Bra012812	A03	22109374	22110381	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012811	A03	22110751	22111510	AT3G52270	Transcription initiation factor IIF, beta subunit	-	-	-	-
Bra012810	A03	22111762	22113450	AT3G52280	Bromodomain containing nuclear-localized protein involved in leaf development.	-	-	-	-
Bra012809	A03	22114190	22115517	AT3G52300	ATP synthase D chain, mitochondrial (ATPQ)	1087.3	1063.0	1107.4	1085.9
Bra012808	A03	22115961	22117190	AT3G52320	F-box and associated interaction domains-containing protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012807	A03	22126348	22127526	AT3G52380	chloroplast RNA-binding protein	152.6	179.9	187.9	173.5
Bra012806	A03	22129315	22130605	AT3G52400	syntaxin protein	15.8	20.7	27.1	21.2
Bra012805	A03	22131668	22137432	AT3G52430	Encodes a lipase-like gene that is important for salicylic acid signaling and function in resistance (R) gene-mediated and basal plant disease resistance.	-	-	-	-
Bra012804	A03	22138538	22139263	AT3G52440	Dof-type zinc finger DNA-binding family protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012803	A03	22146966	22148237	AT3G52450	Encodes a cytoplasmically localized U-box domain E3 ubiquitin ligase protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012802	A03	22152538	22153290	AT3G52460	hydroxyproline-rich glycoprotein family protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012801	A03	22156349	22156975	AT3G52470	Late embryogenesis abundant (LEA) hydroxyproline-rich glycoprotein family	220.8	233.8	221.0	225.2
Bra012800	A03	22160012	22163072	AT3G52490	Double Clp-N motif-containing P-loop nucleoside triphosphate hydrolases superfamily protein	47.6	44.7	42.6	45.0
Bra012799	A03	22174322	22175740	AT3G52500	aspartyl protease family protein	209.0	230.1	198.8	212.6
Bra012798	A03	22183180	22183584	AT4G15215	PDR13, ATPDR13; PDR13; ATP binding / ATPase/ nucleoside-triphosphatase/ nucleotide binding	-	-	-	-
Bra012797	A03	22187168	22194238	AT4G15215	PDR13, ATPDR13; PDR13; ATP binding / ATPase/ nucleoside-triphosphatase/ nucleotide binding	-	-	-	-
Bra012796	A03	22195037	22197102	AT4G15240	Protein of unknown function (DUF604)	21.5	23.4	17.0	20.6
Bra012795	A03	22203115	22204539	AT4G15260	UDP-Glycosyltransferase superfamily protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012794	A03	22205236	22207291	AT4G15400	Encodes BIA1, a member of the BAH1 acyltransferase family.	-	-	-	-
Bra012793	A03	22233686	22236995	AT4G15300	a member of the cytochrome P450 gene family. molecular function unknown.	-	-	-	-
Bra012792	A03	22241320	22244656	AT4G15300	a member of the cytochrome P450 gene family. molecular function unknown.	-	-	-	-
Bra012791	A03	22246023	22247577	AT4G15410	serine/threonine protein phosphatase 2A 55 kDa regulatory subunit B prime gamma (PUX5)	183.5	144.8	163.7	164.0
Bra012790	A03	22248592	22250134	AT4G15415	B' regulatory subunit of PP2A (AtB'gamma)	83.6	89.2	79.0	84.0
Bra012789	A03	22254261	22255793	AT4G15417	RNase II-like 1 (RTL1)	-	-	-	-
Bra012788	A03	22266555	22270612	AT4G15440	Encodes a hydroperoxide lyase. Also a member of the CYP74B cytochrome p450 family.	356.1	370.4	378.1	368.2
Bra012787	A03	22270987	22271322	AT4G15460	glycine-rich protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012786	A03	22278433	22279696	AT4G15470	Bax inhibitor-1 family protein	689.0	687.9	695.2	690.7
Bra012785	A03	22283402	22285899	AT4G15475	F-box/RNI-like superfamily protein	131.0	127.0	124.0	127.3
Bra012784	A03	22287411	22288883	AT4G15480	Encodes a protein that might have synaptic acid:UDP-glucose glucosyltransferase activity	33.9	46.0	37.1	39.0
Bra012783	A03	22290158	22293884	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012782	A03	22298207	22299235	AT4G15520	tRNA/rRNA methyltransferase (SpoU) family protein	98.2	94.1	101.8	98.1
Bra012781	A03	22299647	22303813	AT4G15530	Encodes a dual-targeted protein believed to act as a pyruvate, orthophosphate dikinase.	-	-	-	-
Bra012780	A03	22306772	22309183	AT4G15550	UDP-glucose:indole-3-acetate beta-D-glucosyltransferase	-	-	-	-
Bra012779	A03	22312343	22315209	AT4G15560	Encodes a protein with 1-deoxyxylulose 5-phosphate synthase activity involved in the MEP pathway.	799.0	835.5	836.8	823.8
Bra012778	A03	22315983	22316959	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012777	A03	22325280	22326834	AT4G15610	Uncharacterised protein family (UPF0497)	-	-	-	-
Bra012776	A03	22337080	22337502	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012775	A03	22340095	22341323	AT4G15610	Uncharacterised protein family (UPF0497)	-	-	-	-
Bra012774	A03	22343131	22344328	AT4G15650	unknown protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012773	A03	22347565	22347873	AT4G15660	Thioredoxin superfamily protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012772	A03	22351554	22353392	AT4G15720	Tetrapeptide repeat (TPR)-like superfamily protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012771	A03	22356457	22357317	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012770	A03	22357795	22359108	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012769	A03	22360932	22361857	AT4G15180	SET domain protein 2 (SDG2)	-	-	-	-

Table 1-7. (continued)

Bra012683	A03	22757906	22760123	AT4G17040	encodes the ClpR4 subunit of the chloroplast-localized Clp protease complex.	688.4	676.2	687.5	684.0
Bra012682	A03	22760487	22762906	AT4G17050	Encodes a protein with ureidoglycine aminohydrolase activity.	-	-	-	-
Bra012681	A03	22770001	22771524	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012680	A03	22775981	22781437	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012679	A03	22791386	22792132	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012678	A03	22794839	22798551	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012677	A03	22803983	22804240	AT4G17085	Putative membrane lipoprotein	-	-	-	-
Bra012676	A03	22804681	22806581	AT4G17090	Encodes a beta-amylase targeted to the chloroplast.	204.9	208.2	206.1	206.4
Bra012675	A03	22808866	22811066	AT4G17100	unknown protein	131.5	149.5	158.7	146.6
Bra012674	A03	22814475	22815042	AT4G17160	RAB GTPase homolog B1A (RABB1a)	-	-	-	-
Bra012673	A03	22826220	22826735	AT4G17215	Pollen Ole e 1 allergen and extensin family protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012672	A03	22831432	22833660	AT4G17250	unknown protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012671	A03	22834749	22835871	AT4G17260	Lactate/malate dehydrogenase family protein	308.5	295.5	291.2	298.4
Bra012670	A03	22837875	22839995	AT4G17270	Mo25 family protein	146.9	145.6	147.0	146.5
Bra012669	A03	22841667	22843315	AT4G17350	Protein of unknown function DUF828	72.5	66.7	76.2	71.8
Bra012668	A03	22843726	22845379	AT4G17370	Oxidoreductase family protein	22.0	21.9	27.4	23.8
Bra012667	A03	22846092	22847568	AT4G17390	Ribosomal protein L23/L15c family protein	1970.2	1845.4	2065.0	1960.2
Bra012666	A03	22850241	22851492	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012665	A03	22854496	22855661	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bra012664	A03	22858877	22859704	AT4G17440	Protein of unknown function (DUF1639)	-	-	-	-
Bra012663	A03	22870234	22871338	AT4G17460	Encodes a class II HD-ZIP protein that regulates meristematic activity in different tissues	404.1	411.8	389.1	401.7
Bra012662	A03	22872072	22873607	AT4G17470	alpha/beta-Hydrolases superfamily protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012661	A03	22874242	22875107	AT4G17486	PPPDE putative thiol peptidase family protein	126.5	129.9	135.4	130.6
Bra012660	A03	22876088	22877555	AT4G17510	ubiquitin C-terminal hydrolase 3 (UCH3)	189.9	192.1	200.9	194.3
Bra012659	A03	22878123	22879891	AT4G17520	Hyaluronan / mRNA binding family	261.8	283.4	308.7	284.6
Bra012658	A03	22880314	22881657	AT4G17530	AtRabD2c encodes a Rab GTPase	315.9	309.6	320.7	315.4
Bra012657	A03	22886426	22889023	AT4G17550	Encodes a member of the phosphate starvation-induced glycerol-3-phosphate permease gene family	22.9	27.3	28.9	26.3
Bra012656	A03	22890900	22892842	AT4G17600	Encodes Li3:1 (light-harvesting-like) protein.	260.8	278.2	262.2	267.1
Bra012655	A03	22897484	22899346	AT4G17615	Member of AtCBL (Calcineurin B-like Calcium Sensor Proteins) family.	94.4	89.8	95.8	93.3
Bra012654	A03	22899921	22901861	AT4G17616	Pentatricopeptide repeat (PPR) superfamily protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012653	A03	22902680	22905495	AT4G17620	glycine-rich protein	156.9	176.7	181.3	171.6
Bra012652	A03	22906024	22908683	AT4G17640	Encodes casein kinase II beta (regulatory) subunit.	262.7	227.1	242.2	244.0
Bra012651	A03	22909790	22910427	AT4G17670	Protein of unknown function (DUF581)	396.6	379.8	388.2	388.2
Bra012650	A03	22915403	22927293	AT4G17680	SBP (S-ribonuclease binding protein) family protein	-	-	-	-
Bra012649	A03	22933529	22933996	AT4G17690	Peroxidase superfamily protein	13.7	9.7	9.4	10.9
Bra012648	A03	22947960	22948367	AT4G17718	Encodes a defensin-like (DEFL) family protein.	-	-	-	-
Bra012647	A03	22949396	22951220	AT4G17720	RNA-binding (RRM/RBD/RNP motifs) family protein	139.3	143.8	164.9	149.3
Bra012646	A03	22957393	22958909	AT4G17720	RNA-binding (RRM/RBD/RNP motifs) family protein	139.3	143.8	164.9	149.3
Bra012645	A03	22959734	22961071	AT4G17730	member of SYP2 Gene Family	193.5	195.7	188.8	192.7
Bra012644	A03	22961454	22964005	AT4G17740	Peptidase S41 family protein	102.7	112.1	126.6	113.8
Bra012643	A03	22965905	22967302	AT4G17760	damaged DNA binding:exodeoxyribonuclease IIIs	19.2	14.0	17.2	16.8

Genes listed in BOLD are expressing in carpel based on Microarray data NASCArrays, and signal from 3 individual slides and those average are shown.

CHAPTER 2

Responses to CO₂ in self-incompatibility of different *Arabidopsis thaliana* accessions

2.1 Introduction

SI is a genetic system to assure cross-fertilization. Yet despite the clear benefits (reviewed by Charlesworth, 2003), the loss of the functioning SI system is very common (Weller and Sakai, 1999). The model plant *Arabidopsis thaliana* belongs to the Brassicaceae family and loss-of-function mutations in genes that are required for SI make it a highly self-fertile species with an outcrossing rate less than 1% (Abbott and Gomes, 1989). The evolution from SI-based outcrossing to a self-fertilization system is one of the important transitions in flowering plants. As *Arabidopsis* is widely distributed in Europe, America, Africa and Asia, and over 750 natural accessions have been collected and well studied by researchers around the world, the molecular mechanism of SI and functional polymorphisms at the *S*-locus have been extensively described (Nasrallah *et al.*, 2004; Sherman-Broyles *et al.*, 2008; Shimizu *et al.*, 2008, Guo *et al.*, 2011). Recent research shows that a mutation in *SP11/SCR* (hereafter *SCR*) is the first mutation which disrupted SI in *Arabidopsis* (Tsuchimatsu *et al.*, 2010). *Arabis alpina* is a distant cousin of *A. thaliana*, which is also self-compatible, possibly because of a mutation in *SCR*, but interestingly, populations in Italy are almost self-sterile and there are variations in the level of SI stability. (Tedder *et al.*, 2011).

Transformation of *A. thaliana* with the *S*-locus from *A. lyrata*, an obligate outbreeder that diverged from *A. thaliana* ~5 million years ago (Koch *et al.*, 2000), can restore the self-incompatible phenotype in some accessions such as C24, Cvi-0, Kashmir, Shahkdara and Hodja-Obi-Garm, (Nasrallah *et al.*, 2002, Boggs *et al.*, 2009). A self-incompatible *A. thaliana* in C24 accession (SI-C24) was successfully generated in my laboratory harboring both *SRK_b* and *SCR_b* fused in one construct (hereafter *SRK_b+SCR_b*), and it is known that this SI-C24 line is CO₂ sensitive and has many seeds formed under a high CO₂ condition (Takehisa, 2009). However, there is no information on CO₂-sensitivity in other accessions, thus, it is unclear that whether there is genetic variation in SI response to CO₂ in SI *Arabidopsis*.

Accessions like Mt-0, RLD, No, Nd-0, WS-0, and Col-0, in which both *SRK* and *SCR* are pseudogenized (Kusaba *et al.*, 2001) show a pseudo-self-compatible phenotype (i.e. self-fertile in mature flower) after the *S*-locus transformation (Nasrallah *et al.*, 2004). But by crossing them to the SI-C24, F₁ hybrids show stable SI, demonstrating that the dominant

nature of self-incompatible phenotype, and that accession C24 harbors dominant functional alleles at SI-modifier loci required for the stable SI (Nasrallah *et al.*, 2004, Boggs *et al.*, 2009). However no SI-modifier genes have been functionally identified so far. As Col-0 is the reference accession, this SI hybrid could be an ideal material to investigate its CO₂-sensitivity and compare it with that of SI-C24. Meanwhile, I also focused on accession Cvi-0, which lives at an elevation of 1,200 m of the tropical Cape Verde Islands (Lobin 1983), as it has some different response to biotic and abiotic stresses such as several biotic pathogens (Aguilar *et al.*, 2002; Perchepied *et al.*, 2010), ozone (Rao and Davis, 1999; Brosché *et al.*, 2010; Overmyer *et al.*, 2003), and UV irradiation (Cooley *et al.*, 2001). Moreover, Cvi-0 has an irregular stomatal closure under high CO₂ and low humidity (Monda *et al.*, 2011). I generated SI-C24 x Cvi-0 hybrids and investigated the SI stability and its CO₂-sensitivity.

2.2 Materials and methods

2.2.1 Plant materials

All accessions of *Arabidopsis thaliana* (C24, Col-0, Cvi-0) were grown in a growth chamber with 16-hr light and 8-hr dark growth conditions at 22 °C.

2.2.2 F₁ hybrid generation and reciprocal crosses

To prevent self-pollination, stamens were removed at flower stage-13 (mature bud) (Smyth *et al.*, 1990) from flower that used as female organ. Between stages 14 and 15, pollen was hand pollinated. Pollen tube visualization was performed as described in 1.2.4, except the softening time in 1 N NaOH was 30 min.

2.2.3 Genomic DNA extraction and genotyping

DNA extraction was performed as described in 1.2.6. Tail-PCR (Liu *et al.*, 1995) was performed to define the insertion site of the insertion site of transgene *SRK_b+SCR_b*. A T-DNA border-specific primer and a pool of three arbitrary degenerate (AD) primers (AD1, 5'-NGTCGASWGANAWGAA-3'; AD2, 5'-GTNCGASWCANAWGTT-3'; AD3, 5'-WGTG NAGWANCANAGA-3') were used per round of Tail-PCR cycling. The T-DNA border primers used were as follows: RB1 (5'-TCCAAACGTAAAACGGCTTGTCCCG-3'), RB2 (5'-GGGTCATAACGTGACTCCCTTAATTC-3'), or RB3 (5'-CGCTCATGATCAGATTGT CGTTTCC-3'). Three rounds of Tail-PCR cycling were performed in Applied Biosystems® 9700 thermocycler. The final concentration of the pooled primers AD1, AD2, AD3 were as follows: 5.0/4.0/4.0 μM (primary /secondary/ tertiary round). T-DNA border primers were at a final concentration of 0.2 μM.

Cycling parameters for the primary round were as follows: (1) 94 °C for 1 min and 95 °C for 1 min; (2) 5 cycles of 94 °C for 30 sec, 62 °C for 1 min, and 72 °C for 2.5 min; (3) 94 °C for 30 sec, 25 °C for 3 min (50% ramp), and 72 °C for 2.5 min (32% ramp); (4) 14 cycles of 94 °C for 10 sec, 68 °C for 1 min, 72 °C for 2.5 min, 94 °C for 10 sec, 68 °C for 1 min, 72 °C for 2.5 min, 94 °C for 10 sec, 44 °C for 1 min, and 72 °C for 2.5 min; and (5) 72 °C for 5 min. Cycling parameters for the second round were as follows: (1) 94 °C for 1

min and 95 °C for 1 min; (2) 5 cycles of 94 °C for 10 sec, 64 °C for 1 min, and 72 °C for 2.5 min; (3) 12 cycles of 94 °C for 10 sec, 64 °C for 1 min, 72 °C for 2.5 min, 94 °C for 10 sec, 64 °C for 1 min, 72 °C for 2.5 min, 94 °C for 10 sec, 44 °C for 1 min, and 72 °C for 2.5 min; and (4) 72 °C for 5 min. Cycling parameters for the tertiary round were as follows: (1) 94 °C for 3 min; (2) 20 cycles of 94 °C for 10 sec, 44 °C for 1 min, 72 °C for 2.5 min; and (3) 72 °C for 5 min. ExTaq polymerase was used for all amplifications. The primary Tail reaction contained 10 ng of genomic DNA.

Final amplified DNA fragment was sequenced and the *SRK_b+SCR_b* insertion was mapped to Chromosome 1, in At1g74020. Primers for insertion genotyping was designed based on this result: right genomic primer, 5'-CAGTACAGTCACGACTTTGGTCG-3'; left genomic primer, 5'-GTCCACCCGTAAAAGAATTCATG-3'; right border primer of the insertion, 5'-CGCTCATGATCAGATTGTCGTTTCC-3' (RB3). PCRs were performed in a 10 µL reaction volume containing 10 ng of template DNA, 1 µM of forward primer and reverse primer, 1x PCR buffer, 1x dNTP, and 0.5 U of ExTaq. Conditions for PCR were as follows: (1) 94 °C for 5 min; (2) 35 cycles of 94 °C for 30 sec, 55 °C for 30 sec, 72 °C for 1.5 min; and (3) 72 °C for 5 min. Amplified DNAs were electrophoresed in a 1.5% agarose gel.

2.2.4 Real-time PCR analysis

RNA was extracted from five stigmas at stage-13 or 14 using Plant RNeasy Mini kit (Qiagen). 10 µL of RNase-free water was used to elute RNA. 1 µL of each RNA sample was used as template. Following primers for *SRK_b*: forward primer, 5'-TGCTCAGGAGTGA AACAGAAACC-3' and reverse primer, 5'-AGGTGATTTGGTTAACCGTACAG-3'; and for *GAPDH*: forward primer, 5'-GACCTTACTGTCAGACTCGAG-3' and reverse primer, 5'-CGGTGTATCCAAGGATTCCCT-3' were used.

QuantiFast SYBR Green RT-PCR kit was used and real-time analysis was performed with the LightCycler[®]480 System II (Roche). The real-time PCR was performed in a 10 µL reaction volume containing 1 µL of template RNA, 1 µM of each forward and reverse primer, 1x QuantiFast SYBR Green RT-PCR Master Mix, 0.1 µL QuantiFast RT Mix. Real-time cycler conditions were as follows: reverse transcription at 50 °C for 30 min, PCR initial activation step at 94 °C for 5 min followed by 45 cycles of combined annealing/extension

two-step cycling at 94 °C for 10 sec, 60 °C for 30 sec.

2.2.5 CO₂ treatment for *Arabidopsis*

Whole plants were put into the CO₂ incubator in the morning between 8 and 10 a.m., with the same conditions as in Chapter 1, except the treatment time was 8 hr. CO₂-sensitivity was defined by seed formation.

2.3 Results

2.3.1 SI of *Arabidopsis* hybrids

SI-C24 established in my lab is homozygous for transgenic SRK_b+SCR_b and the insertion site was mapped to the third exon of At1g74020 with the Tail-RCR method. I crossed this SI-C24 with a wild type Col-0. Six F_1 hybrids between SI-C24 and Col-0 showed no significant difference compared to the Col-0 parent except for a delay of flowering. Almost all siliques were full and self-incompatible phenotype could not be confirmed in any SI-C24 x Col-0 hybrids (Fig. 2-1B). My result did not show a consistent result with previous study reporting that C24 has dominant functional alleles to stabilize SI (Nasrallah *et al.*, 2004). On the contrary, hybrid with Cvi-0 and SI-C24 showed a very stable SI (Fig. 2-1C).

In order to know whether SRK_b and SCR_b were functional in the SI-C24 x Col-0 hybrid, I performed reciprocal crosses and found that SI was ineffective when SI-C24 x Col-0 hybrid was pollinated with SI-C24 pollen (Fig. 2-2). This result suggests that the SI signaling pathway was disrupted because SRK_b or other downstream components could not work functionally in the SI-C24 x Col-0 hybrid stigma.

2.3.2 SI of F_2 progenies of SI-C24 x Col-0 hybrid

An F_2 population from a randomly chosen self-pollinated SI-C24 x Col-0 hybrid was used to examine whether the self-incompatible phenotype would segregate. Transgenic SRK_b+SCR_b of 56 F_2 individuals were genotyped and the segregation ratio was 9:29:18 (-/-: +/-: +/+) (See Materials and methods 2.2.3). Within the 47 individuals that harboring SRK_b+SCR_b , only two F_2 (#17 and #47) showed partial SI. It is difficult to explain this abnormal segregation ratio without considering other effects such as gene silencing.

2.3.3 SRK expression of SI-C24 x Col-0 hybrid and its F_2 progenies

Expression of the SRK_b transgene was analyzed in F_1 hybrid and two homozygous SRK_b+SCR_b F_2 progenies (#59 and #60). Col-0 and C24 wild type plants were used as negative controls. RNA was extracted from stigmas at stage-13 and stage-14. Three replicates were prepared for each RNA sample and the results were analyzed with LightCycler[®]480 System II (Roche) and

GAPDH was used as an internal control. Relative *SRK_b* expression was recalculated compared to *SRK_b* expression in SI-C24 at stage-13. Results were shown in Fig. 2-3. In SI-C24, *SRK_b* expression at stage-13 was slightly higher than at stage-14, as it is necessary to start *SRK_b* protein synthesis before pollination. Therefore, *SRK_b* expression at stage-13 was compared and I found its expression decreased by 80% in F₁. In both F₂ plants, the *SRK_b* was expressed but the expression level was less than 5% compared to SI-C24. These results suggest that SI breakdown could be caused by the remarkable decrease of *SRK_b* expression in the SI-C24 x Col-0 hybrid and F₂ progeny, perhaps due to an epigenetic silencing system which may be activated when Col-0 and C24 genomes are crossed and which could be maintained afterward.

2.3.4 CO₂-sensitivity of SI-C24 and Cvi-0 x SI-C24 hybrid

Unlike the SI-C24 x Col-0 hybrid, SI-C24 x Cvi-0 hybrid showed stable and complete SI. This SI-C24 x Cvi-0 hybrid and SI-C24 were then treated with CO₂ to determine whether there is difference in the SI responses to CO₂ in these two lines. Because pollen can be deposited onto self-stigma in *A. thaliana*, hand-pollination was not needed, and the small plants fit into the CO₂ incubator, so the whole plant was treated and seed formation was observed. Although *Arabidopsis* mostly flowers in the morning, there is some variability in timing such that all flowers do not flower at the same time, so treatment was started in the morning (before 10 a.m.) and stopped after eight hours. As shown in Fig. 2-4C, with CO₂ treatment, many long siliques with seeds were formed in SI-C24 (white arrows), and no seeds formed without CO₂ treatment (red arrows). Few seeds were formed and no significant difference could be observed after CO₂ treatment in the SI-C24 x Cvi-0 hybrid (Fig. 2-4B, D), suggesting that there is a genetic variation in different *A. thaliana* accessions; SI-C24 is CO₂-sensitive while its hybrid with Cvi-0 is CO₂-insensitive.

2.3.5 Backcross of SI-C24 x Cvi-0 with C24 wild type and CO₂-sensitivity segregation

Self-incompatible Cvi-0 cannot be generated due to the unsuccessful transformation of Cvi-0. Though I could not compare CO₂-insensitivity of SI Cvi-0 to that of SI-C24 x Cvi-0 hybrid, it could be genes that control the different CO₂-sensitivities in accession C24 and Cvi-0. I backcrossed this hybrid with C24 wild type, and obtained two plants showing CO₂-sensitive

phenotype from six BC₂ (Table 2-1). One of the four CO₂-insensitive BC₂ was then backcrossed again. In BC₃, four CO₂-sensitive and two CO₂-insensitive plants were obtained together with two showing a weaker CO₂-sensitive phenotype with a few seeds (Table 2-1). Again, one of the CO₂-insensitive BC₃ was backcrossed and 15 BC₄ was analyzed (Table 2-1). Six of them showed CO₂-insensitive phenotype, seven showed CO₂-sensitive phenotype and two with weaker CO₂-sensitive phenotype. These are preliminary and more thorough evaluation of more plants is needed to quantify the CO₂-sensitivity, but it is clear that there is phenotype segregation, and the ratio was close to 1:1, suggesting that one dominant gene in Cvi-0 controls the CO₂-insensitive phenotype. Other minor factors could be involved, and I hypothesize that after few more backcrossing, NIL lines with CO₂-insensitive phenotype due to a heterozygous responsible gene could be obtained and could be used in responsible gene identification.

2.4 Discussion

SI overcome by CO₂ treatment is a well-known phenomenon in *Brassica*, and it is known that in *A. thaliana*, SI-C24 is CO₂-sensitive. Though the reference line Col-0 is pseudo-self-compatible after *S*-genes transformation, Nasrallah *et al.* (2004) reported that SI-C24 and Col-0 hybrid shows stable SI, and I tried to use this hybrid to investigate the variation of CO₂ response in different *A. thaliana* accessions. However, the result was not reproduced in my experiment, SI-C24 x Col-0 hybrid was self-compatible, and so were the F₂ progenies (Fig. 2-1, 2-2). Instead, my results indicated that the SI was broken down in the hybrid, which may be due to a remarkable decrease of *SRK_b* gene expression at the mature bud stage (Fig. 2-3).

The *S*-locus in *A. thaliana* has three haplotypes. Col-0 and C24 belong to haplotype A. The structure of the *S*-locus in Col-0 and C24 has been well sequenced and compared (Liu *et al.*, 2007). In haplotype A there is a ~1kb inverted repeat region including the *SRK* sequence (Guo *et al.*, 2011). It is clear that in *B. rapa*, 24-nt small RNAs can silence *SP11* expression (Tarutani *et al.*, 2010). This region may be responsible for small RNA production and the *SRK_b* gene silencing in SI-C24 x Col-0 hybrid. Further transformation studies using different functional *SRK* sequences are required to prove whether RNAi-induced gene silencing is involved in the loss of SI in the hybrid.

The SI-C24 x Cvi-0 hybrid, on the contrary, had stable SI and differed from SI-C24, its SI could not be overcome by CO₂ treatment (Fig. 2-1C, Fig. 2-4), suggesting that there is genetic variation of CO₂-sensitivity in different *A. thaliana* accessions. In Cvi-0, from the segregation ratio (Table 2-1), one major dominant gene together with some minor responsible genes seem to control its low CO₂-sensitivity phenotype. In order to identify this major responsible gene, I used the backcross method to transfer the responsible Cvi-0 allele to the C24 background, and this line could be subjected to a next generation sequencer to identify the responsible gene.

Interestingly, recent research showed that Cvi-0 has irregular stomatal movements with a constitutive stomatal opening when treated with high CO₂ (Monda *et al.*, 2011). It is known that stomatal pores regulate the flow of gas in and out of plants. A pair of guard cells forms

these pores and they respond to environmental signals such that increased CO₂ typically stimulates stomatal closure (Assmann, 1993). The recent model of this CO₂-regulated stomatal closure is shown in Fig. 2-5. HT1 (high leaf temperature 1) is the first functionally and molecularly isolated protein kinase that mediates CO₂-induced stomatal movements. It acts as a negative regulator of the CO₂ response pathway (Hashimoto *et al.*, 2006). β -carbonic anhydrase 1 and 4 catalyzing the reversible reaction of $\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{HCO}_3^- + \text{H}^+$ function early in the CO₂ signaling pathway, at downstream of HT1 (Hu *et al.*, 2009). Anion channel SLAC1 (slow anion channel-associated 1) is activated in high CO₂ condition, resulting in the efflux of anions such as Cl⁻ and NO₃⁻ to decrease the osmotic pressure in the guard cells (Negi *et al.*, 2008; Vahisalu *et al.*, 2008). Water then flows out of the guard cells to close the stomatal pores. OST1 (open stomata kinase 1) was originally identified as a mediator in ABA signal transduction (Mustilli *et al.*, 2002). Studies have shown that OST1 can activate SLAC1 (Lee *et al.*, 2009; Vahisalu *et al.*, 2010) and OST1 loss-of-function mutant also shows strong impaired CO₂-induced stomatal closing (Xue *et al.*, 2011), indicating its involvement in the CO₂ response pathway. I have noticed there is some similarity between this CO₂-induced stomatal closure and CO₂-induced SI breakdown, as in both pathways, water is transported out from cells in a high CO₂ condition. Cvi-0 plants are CO₂-insensitive in its stomatal movement and CO₂-insensitive in SI breakdown as well. Cvi-0 has irregular anion homeostasis, which could explain the constitutive stomatal opening under high CO₂ condition (Monda *et al.*, 2011) but the molecular mechanisms are still unclear and further work is expected to provide new insights into these two pathways and possible relationships between them.

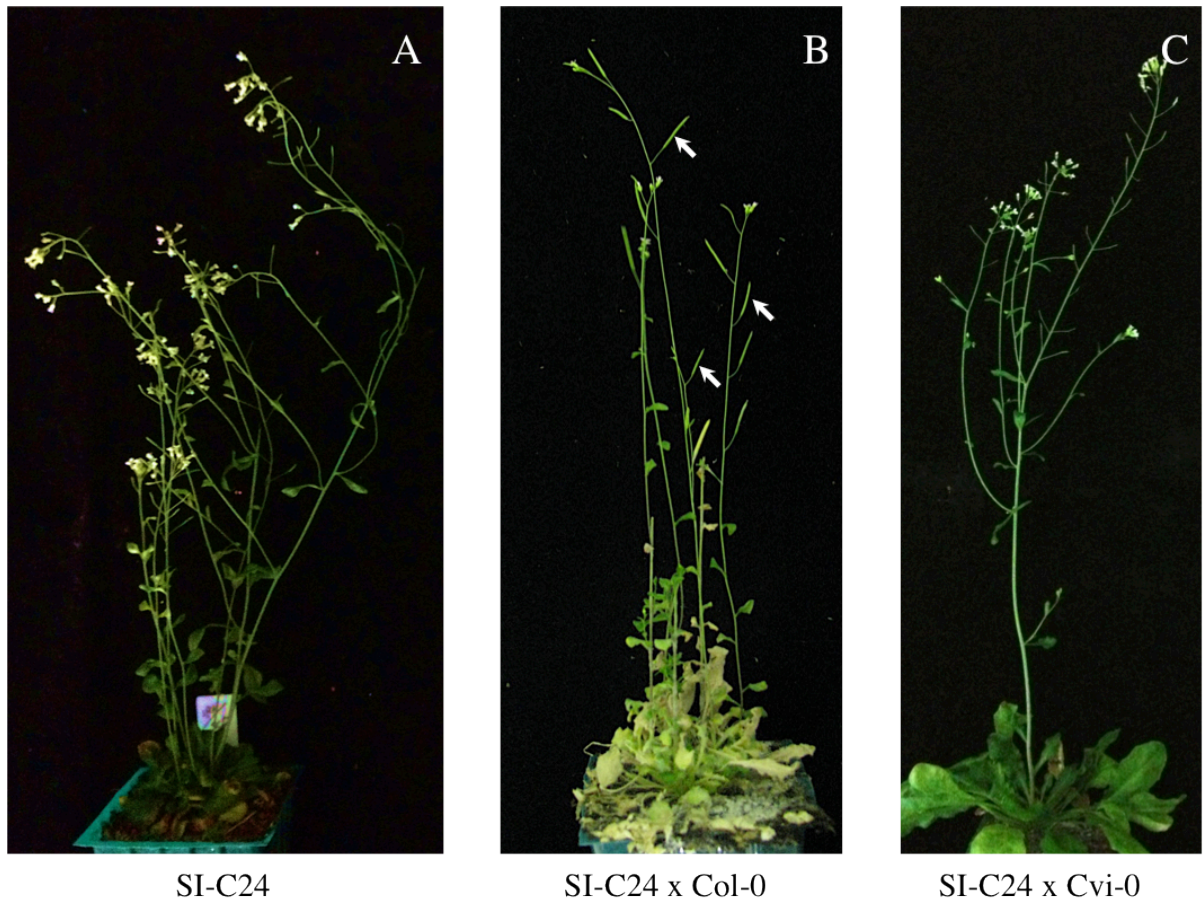
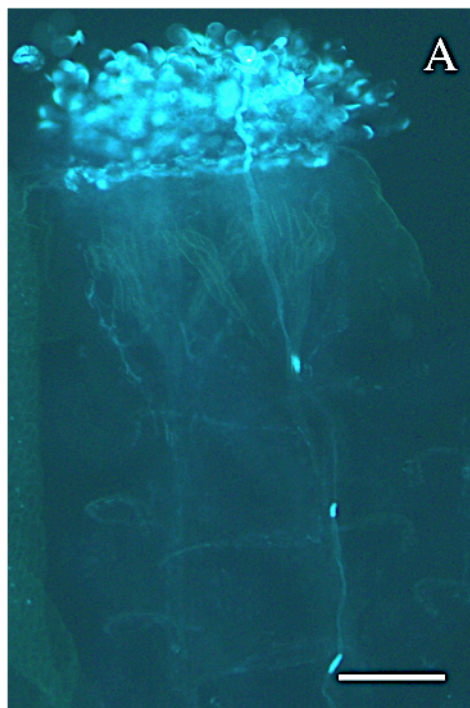
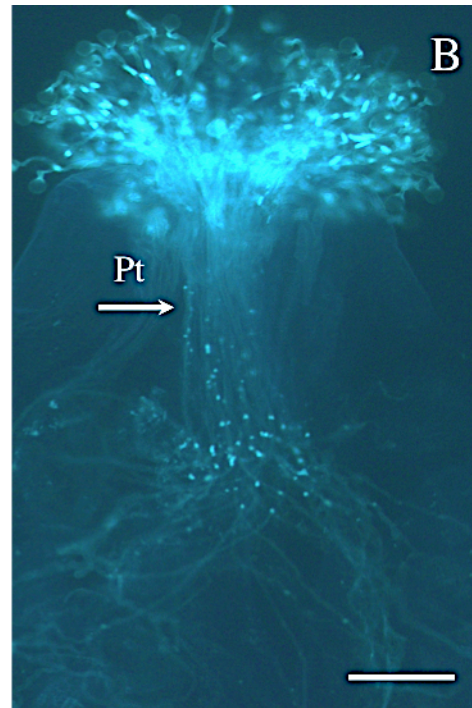


Fig. 2-1. Phenotype of transgenic plants *A. thaliana* C24 accession harbouring SRK_b and SCR_b (SI-C24) (A); F_1 hybrids with accession Col-0, siliques full with seeds are formed (arrows) (B); F_1 hybrids with accession Cvi-0 (C).



♀ SI-C24 x ♂ SI-C24 x Col-0 hybrid



♀ SI-C24 x Col-0 hybrid x ♂ SI-C24

Fig. 2-2. Reciprocal crosses with SI-C24 and SI-C24 x Col-0 hybrid

SI-C24 x Col-0 hybrid pollen grains are rejected on SI-C24 pistil (A); SI-C24 pollen grains are germinated and penetrated into stigma of SI-C24 x Col-0 hybrid pistil (B). Pt, Pollen tubes.

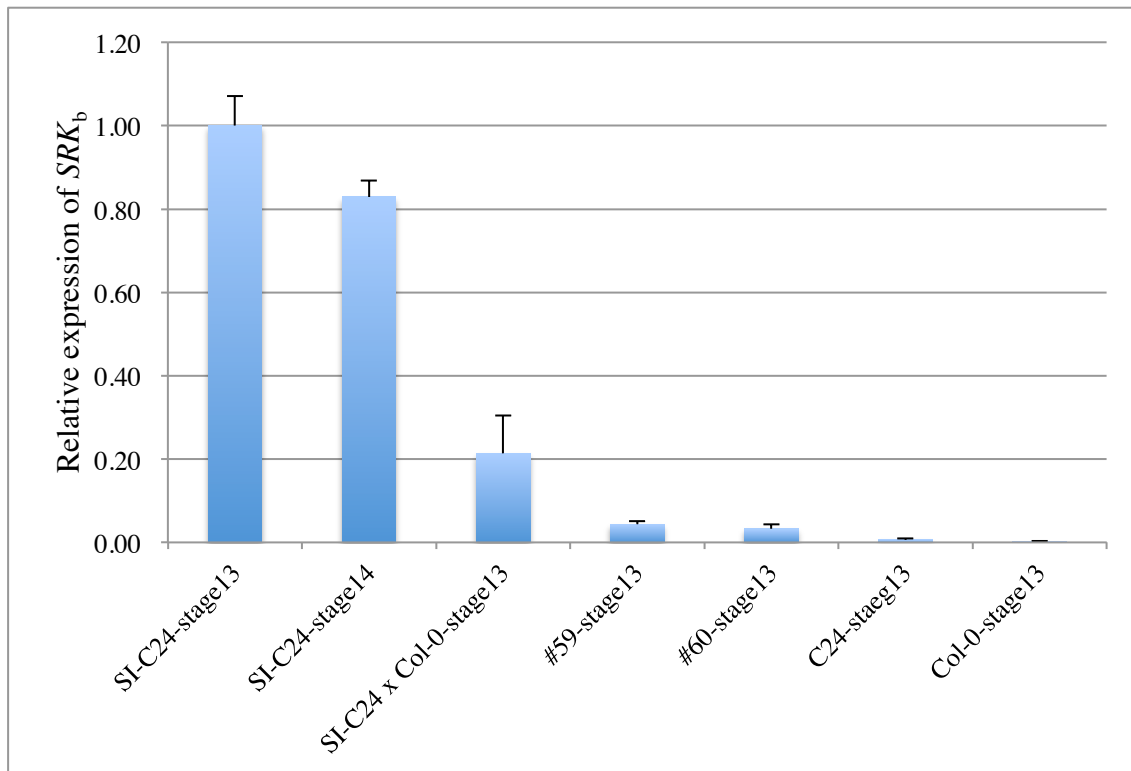


Fig. 2-4. SRK_b expression in SI-C24 x Col-0 hybrid and its F_2

In SI-C24, SRK_b is expressed in stage-13 and 14, and the expression is higher in stage-13. SRK_b expression in SI-C24 x Col-0 hybrid decreases by ca. 80% compared to SI-C24, and in two F_2 individuals (#59 and # 60), its expression level is lower than 5% compared to SI-C24.

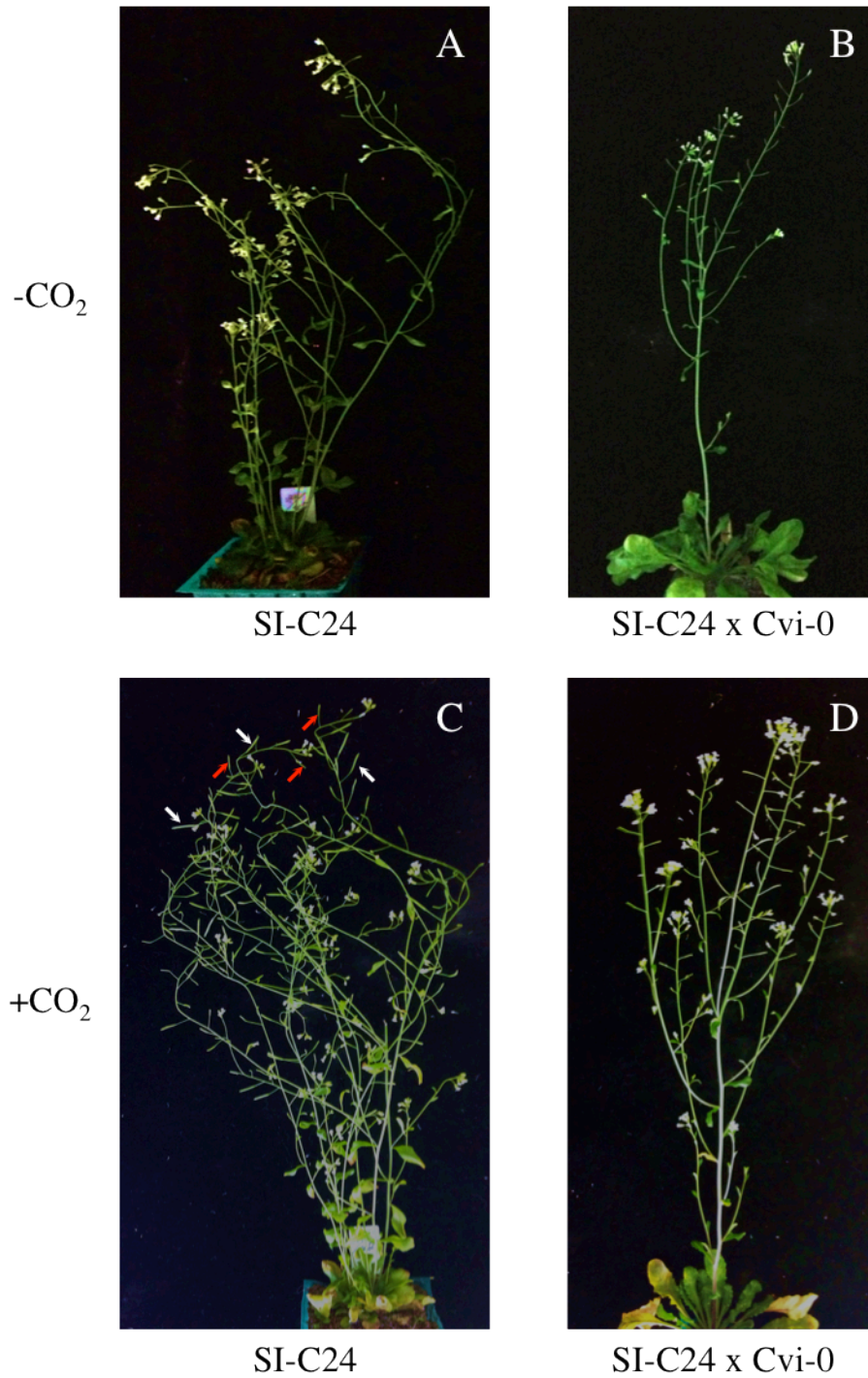


Fig. 2-5. CO₂-sensitivity phenotype in SI-C24 and SI-C24 x Cvi-0 hybrid

SI-C24 and SI-C24 x Cvi-0 hybrid before CO₂ treatment (A, B) and one week after CO₂ treatment (C, D). SI breakdown occurred and many silicles with seeds are observed in SI-C24 (C, white arrows), flowers that flowered after the treatment remain SI (C, red arrows). No significant difference is observed in SI-C24 x Cvi-0 hybrid (B, D).

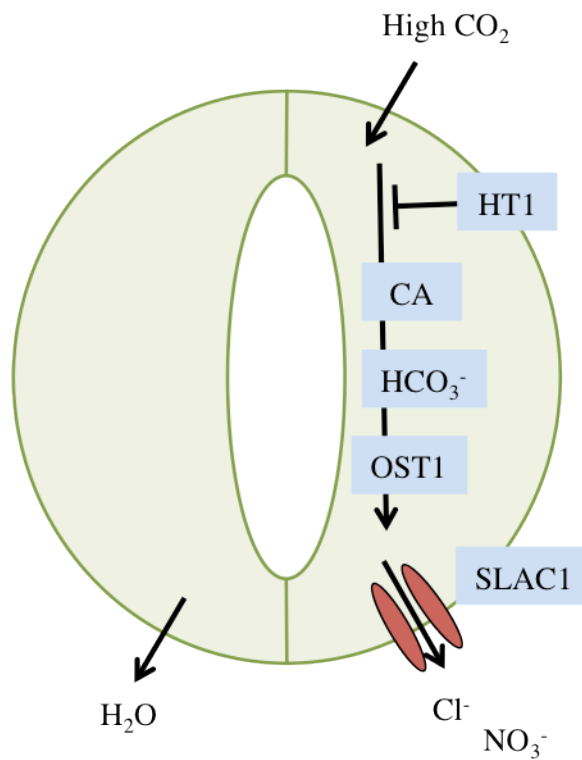


Fig. 2-6. Model for the CO₂-induced stomatal movements (Xue *et al.*, 2011 modified)

HT1 (high leaf temperature 1) works as a negatively regulator, β CA (carbonic anhydrase) and OST1 (open stomata kinase 1) work downstream to activate SLAC1 (slow anion channel-associated 1), resulting the efflux of anions like Cl⁻ and NO₃⁻. Decreased osmotic pressure inside the guard cells result in water flows out of the guard cells to close the stomata pore.

Table 2-1. CO₂-susceptibility of backcrossed plants from SI-C24 x Cvi-0

BC _n	SI overcome	Weak overcome	No overcome
BC ₂	2	0	4
BC ₃	4	2	2
BC ₄	7	2	6

CHAPTER 3

Mutant screening of downstream components of SI pathway

3.1 Introduction

To understand CO₂-sensitivity and SI breakdown system in the Brassicaceae, it would be helpful to have a SI pathway in detail. However, although the SI mechanism has been deeply studied for many years, still, little is known about the downstream pathway triggered by the SRK-SP11/SCR binding.

Mutation induction is a powerful tool for the analysis of signal transduction. Mutagens such as ethyl methane sulfonate (EMS), X-rays and γ -rays are especially popular in plant science to discover and identify many novel genes. Recently, heavy-ion mutagenesis has been accepted as a new powerful technology to generate mutants, especially in higher plants. Heavy-ion beams have high linear energy transfer (LET), and based on radiobiological considerations, high-LET irradiation causes large structural rearrangements (deletions/insertions, translocations, or inversions) due to double-strand breaks whose damaged ends are difficult to be repaired (Hagen, 1994; Ward, 1994). LET-dependent effects of heavy-ion beams have been studied in *Arabidopsis thaliana* with different kind of ions. A LET of 30 keV/ μ m was the most effective for inducing mutants in the M₂ generation from dry seeds of *A. thaliana* and C ions with LET_{max} showed high mutation efficiency and predominantly induced null mutations like base substitutions (SNP) or small deletions/insertions (Kazama *et al.*, 2008; 2011). With the well-developed databases and other genetic resources of *A. thaliana*, it is believed heavy-ion mutagenesis could be benefit for forward genetic approach, combined with next-generation sequencing technologies to identify causal genes responsible for phenotypes of interest.

After the successfully restore the SI in *A. thaliana*, it is believed that this model plant could be used in gene identification with forward genetic approaches such as mutant screening. To search components involved in SI signaling, I performed a mutant screen using the heavy-ion beams treated SI-C24 seeds. I obtained one candidate line showing stable self-compatible phenotype, and analyzed the fundamental characteristics of this mutant.

3.2 Materials and methods

3.2.1 Plant materials

Arabidopsis thaliana (C24) was grown in a growth chamber with the same condition as mentioned in Chapter 2.

3.2.2 Heavy-ion beam and mutant screening

Dry seeds from SI-C24 were sent to RIKEN RI Beam Factory for treatment. They were irradiated with $^{12}\text{C}^{6+}$ ion with a dose of 400 Gy. Ion was accelerated up to 1.62 GeV, and the LET was 30 keV/ μm . After irradiation, seeds were germinated on MS-medium and transplanted to soil after three weeks. Self-incompatible M_1 plants were treated with dry ice in a closed container overnight to obtain self-pollinated seeds. M_2 seeds were harvested separately from each M_1 plant. These seeds were sown on soil directly after being soaked in a germination aid solution for four days and transferred to the growth chamber. Plants displaying wild-type morphologies were selected as candidate mutants and were backcrossed to wild type C24 plants to analyze genetic characteristics such as the penetrance rate of phenotypes and mode of inheritance.

3.2.3 Library preparation for genome sequencing

After nuclear fractions were prepared using the ‘Semi-pure Preparation of Nuclei Procedures’ of the CellLytic PN Isolation/Extraction Kit (Sigma-Aldrich), genomic DNA was isolated using Plant DNeasy Mini kit (Qiagen). Isolated genomic DNA was sheared using Covaris S2 (Covaris) at 400 bp setting. Microfluidic chip electrophoresis on an Agilent 2100 Bioanalyzer (DNA High sensitivity kit; Agilent) indicated that Covaris S2 shearing produced a broad peak from 200 to 800 bp.

Library preparation for paired-end sequencing from sheared DNAs was performed using Paired-End DNA Sample Preparation Kit (Illumina). “A” base addition and ligation of adapters were performed according to the protocol developed by Illumina for preparing DNA samples for paired-end sequencing. Briefly, DNAs were end repaired for 30 min at 20 °C in a total volume of 100 μL of 1 x T4 DNA ligase buffer with 10 mM ATP, 4 μL 10 mM dNTP

mix, 5 μ L T4 DNA polymerase, 1 μ L Klenow enzyme, and 5 μ L T4 PNK. After incubation, DNAs were purified with a QIAquick PCR Purification Kit (Qiagen) and eluted with 32 μ L EB buffer (Qiagen). “A” bases then were added to the 3' ends of blunt-ended DNA fragments. DNAs were incubated at 37 °C for 30 min in 1x Klenow buffer, 10 μ L 1 mM dATP and 3 μ L Klenow exo (3' to 5' exo minus). After incubation, DNAs were purified with a QIAquick MinElute Purification Kit (Qiagen) and eluted with 10 μ L EB buffer (Qiagen). Illumina PE adapters then were ligated to DNA fragments at 20 °C for 15 min in a total volume of 50 μ L reaction containing 1x DNA ligase buffer, 1 μ L PE adapter oligo mix and 5 μ L DNA ligase. After incubation, DNAs were purified with a QIAquick PCR Purification kit (Qiagen) and eluted with 30 μ L EB buffer (Qiagen). Ligated DNAs then were loaded on a 10000-fold diluted SYBR Safe (Invitrogen) contained 2% low range ultra agarose gel (Bio-rad) in the presence of low molecular weight DNA ladder (New England Biolabs) for size selection. After running the gel for 40 min, a 400-500 bp DNA smear was cut out and purified with the QIAquick Gel Extraction kit (Qiagen). DNA was eluted with 30 μ L EB buffer (Qiagen). After ligation of Illumina adapters and gel-based size selection of the 400-500 bp ligated DNA fragments, a PCR amplification step was performed in a 50 μ L reaction with 10 μ L of size-selected DNA, Paired-End (PE) PCR primer 1.0 and 2.0 and 1 x Phusion DNA Polymerase (Finnzymes Oy). PCR conditions were: 30 sec at 98°C, followed by 20 rounds of 10 sec at 98 °C, 30 sec at 65 °C, 30 sec at 72 °C, and a final extension step of 5 min at 72 °C. After PCR enrichment, DNAs were purified with a QIAquick PCR Purification Kit (Qiagen) then subjected to a second round of gel-based size selection using conditions similar to the ones described above. After microfluidic chip electrophoresis, libraries were confirmed containing a narrow range of DNA fragments at about 400-500 bp which were diluted to 10 nM after absolute quantification using KAPA library quantification kit (KAPA Biosystems).

3.2.4 Deep-sequencing using Illumina technologies and output of structural variations

Prepared libraries were deep-sequenced using an Illumina Genome Analyzer IIx. One 8-lane paired-end flow cell was used (three lanes were used for SI-C24, two lanes were used for wild type C24 and mutant, receptively; and one for positive control). 35 bp x 2 sequencing was carried out and Avadis NGS v.1.3.1 (Strand Life Sciences) was used for data analysis.

3.3 Results

3.3.1 Mutant candidate screening

For a better understanding of the downstream pathway of SI that may be involved in CO₂-sensitivity, a mutant candidate screening was performed using heavy-ion beam treatment of a SI-C24 seed pool (Fig. 3-1). M₂ seeds were collected from each individual M₁ line and 20 of each M₂ plant was grown for phenotype observation. A total of 250 M₁ lines were screened and one candidate with a self-compatible phenotype was obtained (M₂-#9) (Fig. 3-2A).

3.3.2 Phenotypic analysis of the self-compatible mutant line

F₁ plants obtained by crossing M2-#9 with a wild-type C24 plant (BC₁F₁) showed a self-incompatible phenotype (Fig. 3-2B), indicating that the SI transgenes (*SRK_b+SCR_b*) remain functional after the heavy-ion beam treatment, and that the mutated gene(s) was recessive.

Reciprocal crosses were then carried out to investigate the organ whose function was affected by the mutation. When SI-C24 pistil was pollinated with the mutant line, the mutant pollen was rejected from SI-C24 stigma, but when the mutant pistil was pollinated with SI-C24 pollen, the SI-C24 pollen could penetrate into the mutant pistil (Fig. 3-2C, D). This result indicates that the mutated gene(s) is responsible for the SI function in the female organ.

For further identification of the gene(s), it is important to know whether this self-compatible phenotype is controlled by a single gene or multiple genes. To investigate the segregation ratio, self-pollinated seeds were obtained from several BC₁F₁ using CO₂ treatment (mixed population). The *SRK_b+SCR_b* transgene contains a kanamycin-resistance gene, so seeds were germinated on a plate with kanamycin and 336 plants (BC₁F₂) were selected. Among these BC₁F₂, 56 individuals showed complete self-compatible phenotype, giving a ratio of self-compatibility: self-incompatibility (SC:SI)=1:5. However, it is difficult to provide a proper explanation for this ratio. I examined the segregation again with a BC₂F₂ population. I randomly chose a self-compatible BC₁F₂ progeny and backcross it with wild type C24. The BC₂F₁ again showed stable self-incompatible phenotype and then one BC₂F₁ plant was chosen to generate a BC₂F₂ population after CO₂ treatment. From this F₂ population

that derived from one F_1 , I obtained a SC:SI=15:42 (1:3) ratio, suggesting that self-compatible phenotype of this population could be caused by a single gene mutation.

3.3.3 Paired-end sequencing

The 56 individuals with self-compatible phenotype from BC_1F_2 population were collected and genomic DNA was isolated from a pool of them. Genomic DNAs of SI-C24 and C24 wild type were extracted as well. These samples were then deep-sequenced using an Illumina Genome Analyzer IIx. Avadis NGS v.1.3.1 was used for data analysis.

The crude sequences obtained were aligned to the public data of the reference Col-0 genome (TAIR10). The conditions achieved are showed in Table 3-1. The coverage range was from 15x to 45x. All mapped reads were used in large structural variants (SV) and single-nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) analysis. With the SV analysis, deletions, insertions, inversions, translocations, inverted translocations were detected from SI-C24, C24 wild type and $M_2\text{-}\#9$ mutant. Because the mutation was recessive, all heterozygous SVs were removed and then SVs only detected in mutant line was extracted. 64 genes that had deletion, 490 genes that had insertion, 5569 genes that had inversion, 1363 genes that had translocation and 67 genes that had inverted translocation were extracted (translocation and inverted translocation include inter-chromosomal translocation and intra-chromosomal translocation), and neither the SNP analysis could show a SNP enrichment region and single out the candidate gene.

3.4 Discussion

To discover novel downstream components involved in the SI signaling pathway, both forward and reverse genetic approaches currently underway in my laboratory. In this chapter, I performed a mutant screening from a heavy-ion beam treated SI-C24 seed pool.

For the treatment, dry seeds of SI-C24 were sent to RIKEN and the mutation induction was performed using C ion with LET_{max} (30keV/ μ m). With this condition, the irradiation can give high mutation efficiency and predominantly induced base substitutions or small deletion/insertions, which could be determined by single-nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) detection systems (Kazama *et al.*, 2011).

One line, M₂-#9, was obtained from 250 M₁ lines. I backcrossed it with the wild type C24 and the completely restored SI of BC₁F₁ confirmed the functionality of the transgenic *S*-locus genes (Fig. 3-1). A genomic DNA pool from all segregated self-compatible BC₁F₂ was subjected to Illumina Genome Analyzer Iix for the paired-end sequencing. Unlike G/C-to-A/T transitions in EMS, heavy-ion mutagenesis can induce a broad range of mutations including insertion/deletions, inversions and translocations (Shikazono *et al.*, 2005; Kazama *et al.*, 2011), both SV and SNP analysis were performed, however, from the sequencing data, gene responsible for the mutant phenotype could not be singled out. As the segregation ratio is an important factor in this identification process, and the ratio of the BC₁F₂ population was abnormal (SC:SI=1:5), I did the backcross again to generate a BC₂F₂ population derived from single F₁. I obtained SC:SI =15:42 (1:3) ratio, indicating that the self-compatible phenotype is controlled by a single gene with no linkage relationship with inserted *S* genes, and possibly, there could be some other random mutations were removed with backcrossing, which directly or indirectly effect the segregation ratio in the mixed BC₁F₂ population. Therefore, gene identification using segregants of BC₂F₂ or BC₃F₂ derived from one self-pollinated plant would possibly generate a smaller and candidates list or reduce the noise for a clear SNP enrichment region from the sequence data. It seems that reducing the false positive from the sequencing data could be an important step to reduce the candidate numbers and identify the casual gene. Another possible way is combined the sequence data with the mapping approach using mutant line and accession Cvi-0, as the hybrid shows a stable self-incompatible

phenotype that I mentioned in Chapter 2, and the gene identification could possibly lead to a novel SI involved component discovery.

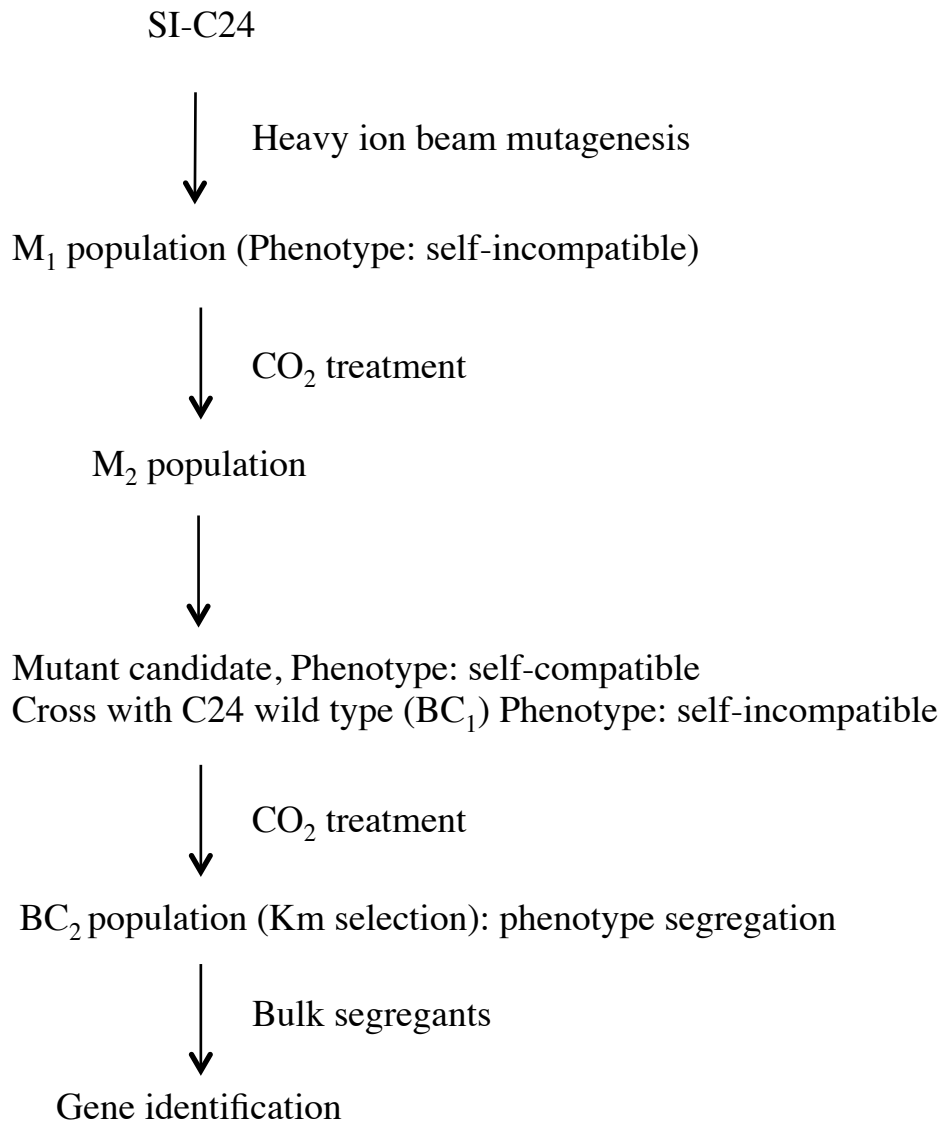


Fig. 3-1. Methodology of mutant screening for the downstream component involved in SI signaling pathway.

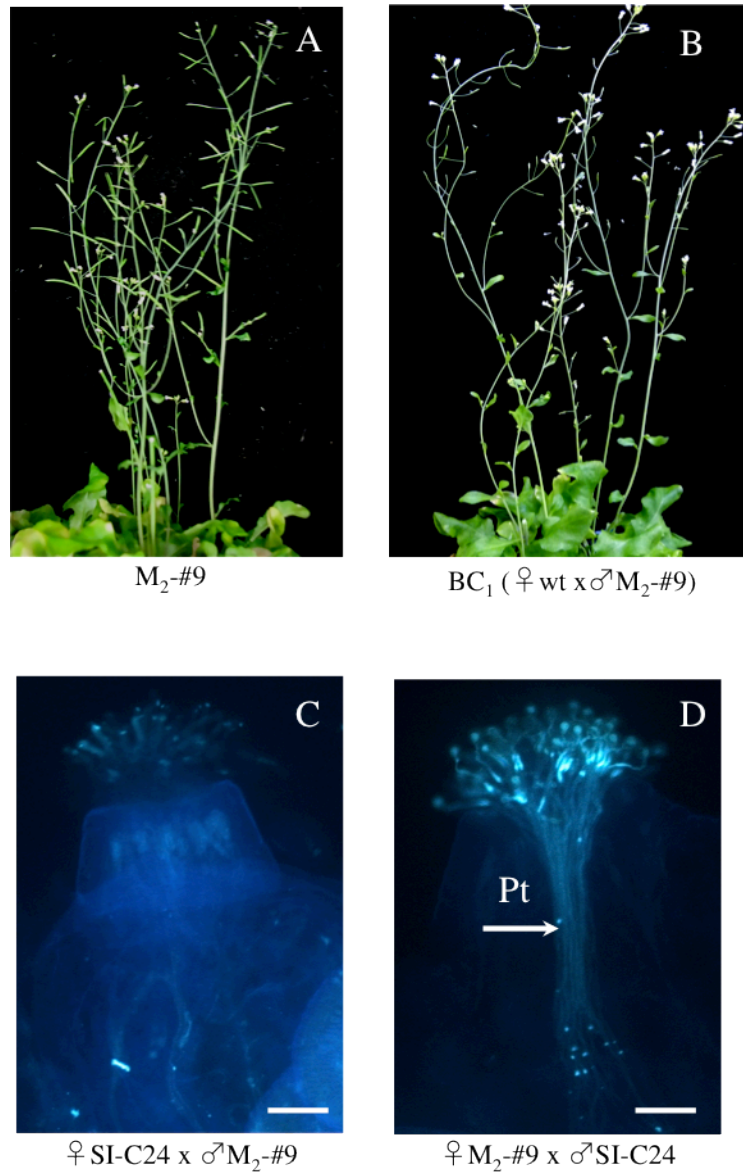


Fig. 3-2. Mutant candidate phenotype and Reciprocal crosses

Mutant candidate ($M_2\text{-}\#9$) shows a self-compatible phenotype (A), which can be completely restored after a cross with C24 wild type (B). When $M_2\text{-}\#9$ pollen is pollinated to SI-C24, SI reaction occurs and mutant pollen is rejected at SI-C24 stigma (C), when mutant line is pollinated with SI-C24 pollen, pollen grains germinate and penetrate (D). Pt, pollen tubes.

Table 3-1. Summary of the achieved conditions from PE sequencing

Sample	Chromosome	Total no. of bases	Mean coverage
SI-C24	Chr1	823,039,910	27.0
	Chr2	829,637,970	42.1
	Chr3	1,076,787,635	45.9
	Chr4	654,497,305	35.2
	Chr5	849,423,610	31.5
wild type	Chr1	454,960,135	15.0
	Chr2	447,468,315	22.7
	Chr3	608,441,260	25.9
	Chr4	363,736,975	19.6
	Chr5	465,393,495	17.3
M ₂ -#9	Chr1	450,634,030	14.8
	Chr2	477,490,090	24.2
	Chr3	609,558,740	26.0
	Chr4	363,264,055	19.5
	Chr5	465,380,895	17.3

Conclusion

SI of the Brassicaceae family can be overcome by a CO₂ gas treatment. This method is very useful in obtaining inbred seeds for breeding; however, the molecular mechanism has not been elucidated for over 40 years.

In this study, I focused on *B. rapa* and *A. thaliana* to obtain new insights into the mechanism of CO₂-induced SI breakdown. In Chapter 1, with cryo-SEM observation and X-ray analysis, I observed a high Ca accumulation on self-pollinated CO₂-sensitive papilla surface after CO₂ treatment, as well as Ca²⁺ exporting to self-pollen which was hydrated with CO₂ treatment. My results indicate that CO₂ treatment could activate a certain self-compatible pathway-like cascade to release Ca²⁺ from papilla cell and overcome SI. From the genetic analysis, CO₂-sensitivity could be controlled by more than one responsible gene and I successfully identified two major QTL (*BrSIO1* and 2) controlling the high CO₂-sensitivity phenotype. Though further genetic analysis is needed to narrow down the responsible genes, because these QTL are independent with SI-stability-related loci, my results could be useful for the marker-assisted selection (MAS) of parental lines with both characteristics of stable SI and high CO₂-sensitivity in breeding. In Chapter 2, I found different CO₂-sensitivities exist in different accessions of *A. thaliana*. SI-C24 could be overcome by CO₂ treatment but SI-C24 x Cvi-0 hybrid showed low CO₂-sensitivity. SI-C24 x Cvi-0 was backcrossed with C24 wild type and the progenies showed a close to 1:1 (CO₂-insensitive: CO₂-sensitive) segregation ratio, suggesting that there could be a major gene controlling the CO₂-sensitivity. A NIL harboring a heterozygous gene from Cvi-0 in C24 background could be used to identify the responsible gene.

At the same time, in Chapter 3, I obtained a mutant line (M₂-#9) with self-compatible phenotype from the heavy-ion beam treated SI-C24 pool. This line could be used in physiological studies such as Ca²⁺ dynamics and it would provide us new insight into the SI pathway when the responsible gene could be finally identified.

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