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2 Assessment of an organ-specific *de novo* transcriptome  
3 of the nematode trap-crop, *Solanum sisymbriifolium*.

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18 **Abstract**

19 *Solanum sisymbriifolium*, also known as “Litchi Tomato” or “Sticky Nightshade,” is an  
20 undomesticated and poorly researched plant related to potato and tomato. Unlike the latter  
21 species, *S. sisymbriifolium* induces eggs of the cyst nematode, *Globodera pallida*, to hatch and  
22 migrate into its roots, but then arrests further nematode maturation. In order to provide researchers  
23 with a partial blueprint of its genetic make-up so that the mechanism of this response might be  
24 identified, we used single molecule real time (SMRT) sequencing to compile a high quality *de*  
25 *novo* transcriptome of 41,189 unigenes drawn from individually sequenced bud, root, stem, and  
26 leaf RNA populations. Functional annotation and BUSCO analysis showed that this transcriptome  
27 was surprisingly complete, even though it represented genes expressed at a single time point. By  
28 sequencing the 4 organ libraries separately, we found we could get a reliable snapshot of transcript  
29 distributions in each organ. A divergent site analysis of the merged transcriptome indicated that  
30 this species might have undergone a recent genome duplication and re-diploidization. Further  
31 analysis indicated that the plant then retained a disproportionate number of genes associated with  
32 photosynthesis and amino acid metabolism in comparison to genes with characteristics of R-  
33 proteins or involved in secondary metabolism. The former processes may have given *S.*  
34 *sisymbriifolium* a bigger competitive advantage than the latter did.

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36 **Introduction**

37 *Solanum sisymbriifolium* (SSI), otherwise known as “litchi tomato”, “morelle de  
38 *Balbis*”, or “sticky nightshade”, is an undomesticated relative of potato and tomato. For more  
39 than a decade, SSI has been investigated as a trap-crop (a plant that attracts nematodes but  
40 kills them before they can reproduce) for nematodes such as *Globodera pallida* that normally  
41 parasitize potatoes and tomatoes (Timmermans, 2005; Dandurand and Knudsen, 2016). It is  
42 also a potential source of anti-protozoan (Meyre-Silva *et al.*, 2013) and anti-molluscan  
43 (Bagalwa *et al.*, 2010) metabolites. If the genetic basis for these protective processes could  
44 be identified, it might be possible to transfer these traits, either through cross-breeding or  
45 through modern transgenic technologies, from this weed to its domesticated relatives.  
46 However, while the genomes of potato and tomato have been studied extensively, spiny  
47 solanums, like SSI, have not (Yang *et al.*, 2014). Only 54 SSI nucleotide sequences have  
48 been submitted to NCBI as of 2016. This ignorance about the biology and genetics of the  
49 spiny solanums could be masking a wealth of genetic resources that could be used to protect  
50 agriculturally important crops.

51 Most bioinformatic analyses of a species begin with the assembly and annotation of  
52 a complete genome. Once assembled, these data can be searched for genes encoding a  
53 particular protein or RNA sequence. For those working on a species that has not been studied  
54 extensively in the past, and which is only being studied now in order to conduct a limited  
55 number of experiments, whole genome sequencing can be more expensive and time  
56 consuming than can be justified. In these circumstances, alternative methods using  
57 sequencing technologies that are generally referred to as next-generation sequencing (NGS),  
58 have allowed researchers to by-pass whole genome sequencing in favor of generating a  
59 smaller database, one depleted of the silent regions of the genome and of genes that are not  
60 contributing to the phenotypes of interest. Most commonly, this is done using Illumina or  
61 454 platforms that generate 10’s and 100’s of millions of short reads from cDNA copies of  
62 all of the mRNAs expressed during a given moment of time. Once obtained, these sequences  
63 can then be merged *in silico* into full length protein coding sequences. However, this *de novo*  
64 transcriptome can sometimes prove problematic. Short reads derived from highly conserved  
65 coding domains and repetitively organized genes can potentially be aligned and joined into  
66 chimeric assemblies that cannot be verified or removed because there is no independently

67 sequenced genome available to serve as an extended template or scaffold to ensure that the  
68 merged sequences are indeed co-linear (Yang and Smith, 2013). A recent technical  
69 improvement, Pacific Biosciences' single-molecule real-time (SMRT) "sequencing by  
70 synthesis" strategy, has become sufficiently accurate and attainably priced to be utilized by  
71 small research groups. The benefit of using SMRT sequencing is that it produces vastly  
72 longer reads than previous methodologies, although with lower coverage (Eid *et al.*, 2009).  
73 The longer reads allow researchers to establish a transcriptome consisting of nearly complete  
74 open reading frames free of the kinds of errors possible when sequences must be assembled  
75 *in silico* from short reads (Ocwieja *et al.*, 2012; Zhang *et al.*, 2014).

76 The specific goal of the current project was to establish a four organ (bud, leaf, stem  
77 and root) *de novo* transcriptome of SSI. In doing so, we wanted to ensure that the final  
78 sequences were high-quality and consisted of genes that were biologically relevant and not  
79 artifacts of some *in silico* assembly process. This transcriptome will provide a reference  
80 library to be used in future RNA-seq experiments to identify genes for nematode and other  
81 pathogen resistances in SSI.

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83 **Results**

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85 **Establishing a SMRT sequenced transcriptome**

86 Before any sequencing was attempted, the genome size of SSI was estimated using  
87 flow cytometry (Supplemental Figure 1). This showed that the genome mass of SSI was  
88 approximately 4.73 pg per 2C, or 2,315 mega-base pairs per 1C. By comparison,  
89 Arumuganathan and Earle, 1991, using the same technology estimated that the tomato  
90 genome massed between 1.88 to 2.07 pg per 2C while tetraploid potato massed between 3.31  
91 to 3.86 pg per 2C. Thus, these initial measurements gave SSI a genome size greater than  
92 tetraploid potato. Despite their unusual length (Paul and Banerjee, 2015), SSI has 24  
93 chromosomes, like diploid potatoes and many other Solanaceae (data not shown). Due to the  
94 size of this genome, and our interest in generating a database of protein-coding genes, we  
95 elected to sequence the SSI transcriptome rather than its genome.

96 Generating an SSI transcriptome was done using Single-Molecule Real Time  
97 (SMRT) sequencing by PacBio Sciences (Eid *et al.*, 2009) that does not need to assemble  
98 short reads into one contiguous sequence. Rather than producing only short reads, SMRT  
99 technology can provide reads up to 60,000 bp along a single molecule of DNA. This allows  
100 the capture of entire genes with one read rather than chunking it into many small bits that  
101 have to be assembled later. This sequencing strategy gives higher coverage than Sanger-  
102 based reactions like those performed on Applied Biosystems™ gene analysis instruments,  
103 and longer reads than Illumina or Roche 454.

104 The Iso-Seq pipeline classifies the sequences as either full-length non-chimeric  
105 (FLNC), or non-full length reads. Full length reads are those containing both 5' and 3'  
106 adapters, in addition to the poly(A) tail. The reads containing these parts in the expected  
107 order, i.e. 5' adapter–poly(A)–3' adapter, with no additional copies of these parts, are  
108 classified as non- chimeric. The FLNC reads in the present dataset were corrected with the  
109 non-full length reads using Iterative Cluster for Error correction and the Pacific Biosciences  
110 Quiver algorithm (<https://github.com/PacificBiosciences/SMRT-Analysis/wiki/ConsensusTools-v2.3.0-Documentation>).

112 In an attempt to improve our ability to detect differences in the suites of genes  
113 expressed in different parts of the plant, we generated cDNA from 4 organs; leaves, stems,

114 roots, and unopened flower buds. We then independently carried out SMRT sequencing of  
115 all 4 samples. Finally, all corrected FLNC reads were merged *in silico* and redundancy was  
116 removed using CD-HIT-EST (Li and Godzik, 2006).

117 This SMRT sequencing strategy created 231,712 total corrected FLNC sequences  
118 (Table 1) using the aforementioned pipeline. These sequences had a GC content of 41.2%.  
119 CD-HIT-EST was then used to reduce the redundant sequences to sets with 100% identity.  
120 This lowered the number of sequences to 139,611 with a GC content of 41.0%. The GC  
121 content continued to decrease as the identity was reduced using CD-HIT-EST. At 80%  
122 identity, there were 32,315 sequences, with an estimated GC content of 39.7%. The decrease  
123 in GC content could be due to the methodology of CD-HIT-EST that retains the longest  
124 sequence during the reduction process. Because of this, reads that spanned untranslated  
125 regions of a transcript were expected to be favored over those only consisting of coding  
126 regions.

127 In the end, we chose to work with a final SMRT dataset that had been reduced to 90%  
128 identity and consisted of a set of 41,189 sequences with a GC content of 39.9%. We judged  
129 that this estimate of the number of transcripts present in the 4 organs would most likely err  
130 on the high side, yet still retain most splice variants within a gene, as well as many paralogs  
131 and single nucleotide polymorphisms between alleles of this obligate outbreeder.

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### 133 **Evidence based Quality Control of the SMRT Transcriptome**

134 We performed an internal quality check by sequencing 45 randomly chosen clones  
135 from a cDNA library using Sanger Dye Deoxy technology (ABI 3730, Applied Biosystems).  
136 Bowtie2 (Langmead and Salzberg, 2012) was then used to find the most likely equivalent of  
137 each clone in our SSI transcriptome. A manual comparison of the Sanger-sequenced clone  
138 and the assembled transcript was done using DNA Strider (Marck, 1988). Firstly, all 45  
139 cDNAs were found in the SSI transcriptome (Figure 1A). Secondly, only two of these SMRT-  
140 derived sequences appeared to be chimeric (Figure 1B), and based on the length of non-  
141 homologous stretches, could have been transcribed from different members of the same gene  
142 family rather than been created by misassembly. During our analysis of the SSI  
143 transcriptome, we did find entries that consisted of inverted repeats of entire gene sequences.  
144 These inverted repeats likely occurred during the preparation of the cDNA library prior to

145 sequencing rather than during sequencing or subsequent computational processing as can be  
146 found in Illumina or 454 assemblies (Loman *et al.*, 2012; Luo *et al.*, 2012).

147 When the SSI transcriptome was analyzed using Mercator (Lohse *et al.*, 2014), it  
148 contained 38.6% unannotated sequences. This was markedly fewer than the percent  
149 unannotated sequences of either potato (50.8%) or tomato (46.4%) transcriptomes processed  
150 in the same way via Mercator (Supplemental Figure 4). Other than that, the binned profile  
151 of SSI was very similar to the published transcriptomes (Supplemental Figure 3) of these  
152 plants. This led us to believe that our transcriptome was at least of comparable quality with  
153 the working transcriptomes of these two better studied species.

154 PfamScan (Finn *et al.*, 2008) was also used to annotate the domains of the  
155 transcriptome. This program uses HMMer (Eddy, 1998) domain annotations, and used in  
156 combination with protocols established by Sarris *et al.*, 2016, allowed for the annotation of  
157 domains found in the amino acid sequences translated from the assembled transcriptome.  
158 This annotated 84.7% of the transcriptome with at least one recognizable domain. There  
159 were fewer unannotated sequences in the SSI transcriptome than in the STU and SLY  
160 transcriptomes (Supplemental Table 1). The reduced number of unannotated sequences  
161 found in the SMRT transcriptome might reflect the fact that this set had undergone a  
162 conservative reduction to 90% identity. Alternatively, the reduced number of unannotated  
163 SSI sequences could have resulted from the fact that we had only sampled the four most  
164 frequently studied organs of a “normally” growing plant, that is, plants manifesting a  
165 physiological state which has been extensively studied in numerous species, while the STU  
166 and SLY transcriptomes were compiled from plants sampled over a much broader range of  
167 life-history stages and growth conditions ranging from fruit and tuber development to  
168 exposure to biotic and abiotic stresses where the functions of many genes are still under  
169 investigation.

170 To further test the quality and completeness of our transcriptome, BUSCO  
171 benchmarking (Simão *et al.*, 2015) was performed. The BUSCO database was established to  
172 allow researchers to assess the completeness of new genomes or transcriptomes based on the  
173 detection of a set of universal, single-copy orthologs. We found 93% intact BUSCO  
174 archetypes (889 genes) in the SSI SMRT transcriptome, 30.2% (289) of these were found in  
175 multiple copies, while an additional 2.2% (21) of the BUSCO archetypes were present in

176 fragments, and 4.8% (46) were missing entirely (Table 2). These numbers representing genes  
177 expressed during a single growth condition of SSI, were only 4.7 percentages different from  
178 the numbers of BUSCO archetypes found in the entire SMRT sequenced genome of *A.  
179 thaliana*.

180 SSI has the same number of chromosomes as most other Solanaceae, and does not  
181 appear to be polyploid (data not shown), yet the BUSCO analysis showed that SSI had more  
182 duplicate copy archetypes than diploid and tetraploid potato. This high number of similar  
183 sequences could point to the fact that our transcriptome has not been reduced far enough, or  
184 could be one line of evidence that SSI has undergone extensive genome duplication or  
185 hybridization in the past. This latter hypothesis was evaluated by divergent gene analysis as  
186 has been done with plants such as wheat (Krasileva *et al.*, 2013). When the program  
187 Freebayes (Garrison and Marth, 2012) was run using a defined diploid setting, it output  
188 information stating there were genes that had more than 2 alleles or paralogues. We redid the  
189 analysis using defined triploid and tetraploid settings and found that even after merging  
190 sequences with more than 90% identity using CD-HIT-EST, the SSI transcriptome contained  
191 1,348 genes with 3 distinguishable alleles or paralogues and furthermore, 44 genes with 4  
192 distinguishable copies (Table 3). It was noteworthy that no gene had more than 4 alleles or  
193 paralogues. A simple explanation for these multiple gene variants, that would be consistent  
194 with the BUSCO analysis, was that SSI underwent a genome duplication followed by  
195 diploidization in the past and that over time, some of the duplicated loci acquired additional  
196 mutations while other loci were lost. To determine if this proposed duplication was restricted  
197 to one chromosome, or one chromosomal arm, the 44 genes with 4 alleles were mapped onto  
198 SLY chromosomes (Supplemental Table 2). There were “4-allele” genes found on 11 of 12  
199 SLY chromosomes which indicated, assuming that genes dispersed in tomato were not linked  
200 when the two species diverged, that SSI has undergone a full genome duplication rather than  
201 a segmental duplication within one chromosome.

202 Since SSI is not as well-known as other Solaneacae, we employed OrthoMCL v2.0.9  
203 (Li *et al.*, 2003) to illustrate some of the common features its gene complement showed with  
204 those of other plants. Protein sequences from our SSI transcriptome (translated using the  
205 program ESTScan (Iseli *et al.*, 1999)), and protein sequences from tomato (SLY), potato  
206 (STU), eggplant (SME), *Arabidopsis thaliana* (ATH), papaya (CPA), grapes (VVI), peaches

207 (PPE), black cottonwood (PTR), oranges (CSI), alfalfa (MTR), maize (ZMA) and rice (OSA)  
208 were merged into 45,234 orthologous groups (gene families). In this set, 6097 orthologous  
209 groups were shared by all 13 species (Figure 2), an overlap well within the range of previous  
210 studies (Yang *et al.*, 2014). Each species had many additional groups that were not shown in  
211 this diagram because they were not shared with all members of this set of plants.  
212 Interestingly, even closely related species like SSI, STU, SLY, and SME had hundreds of  
213 groups not found in each other. When the annotations of the SSI unique set were compared  
214 to the full transcriptome, several functional groups showed a disproportionate increase. It is  
215 possible that these disproportionately expanded sets, that included photosynthetic genes, and  
216 genes for amino acid and vitamin metabolism (Supplemental Figure 5), diverged so much  
217 more than groups such as those for cell wall composition, and hormone and secondary  
218 metabolism, because expansion of the former traits gave SSI a competitive edge over other  
219 species in their habitat. Overall, though, there were fewer groups of genes unique to SSI  
220 than unique to STU and SME. As noted previously, this could merely reflect the fact that our  
221 data came from a single-point snapshot of only 4 organs and so would have lacked those  
222 transcripts specifically expressed during fruit and seed set, germination, senescence, abiotic  
223 stress, pathogen attacks, and numerous other stages of a plant's lifecycle.

224 Using highly conserved orthologous genes, i.e. subunits of Rubisco, provisional  
225 phylogenies were created for nuclear-encoded and chloroplast-encoded genes using the  
226 aforementioned species (data not shown). In doing so, we concluded that nuclear SSI was  
227 most closely related to eggplant, which has been noted previously (Särkinen *et al.*, 2015),  
228 while chloroplast SSI was more closely related to tomato. This dichotomy has also been seen  
229 by others (Miz *et al.*, 2008) and interpreted to indicate that SSI had undergone an ancient  
230 hybridization and afterwards retained the chloroplast genome from one parent, and much of  
231 the nuclear genome from another. However, many more SSI genes will have to be compared  
232 with the genes of many more South American plants to confirm that this hybridization  
233 occurred.

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### 235 **Building a snapshot of organ-associated gene expression**

236 Since we had maintained separate cDNA pools from individual organs, it was  
237 possible to backtrack each sequence within the final transcriptome to obtain a provisional

238 profile of gene expression throughout the plant (Figure 3A). This analysis showed that there  
239 were 8019 sequences expressed solely in buds, 4957 solely in roots, 5349 solely in leaves,  
240 4198 solely in stems, and 7212 sequences expressed in all tissues. That left 11,538 sequences  
241 that were expressed in more than one organ but not in all 4.

242 This backtracking allowed us to construct an expression snapshot that showed how  
243 different genes were being expressed at the time the organs were harvested. Using several  
244 in-house Python scripts, we recorded the number of reads for genes that had common  
245 annotations for several different physiological processes.

246 A set of light-harvesting complex genes (LHC-I) were predictably found in aerial  
247 organs with few exceptions (Figure 3B), demonstrating that the backtracking program could  
248 extract biologically useful information about sequences with specified characteristics from  
249 the merged transcriptome. In order to determine if this kind of analysis of SMRT sequences  
250 could categorize the expression of very different sets of genes, we constructed an inter-organ  
251 expression profile of genes that encoded both a leucine-rich repeat (LRR) domain together  
252 and a nucleotide binding (NB-ARC) domain (Figure 3C), a pairing frequently found in  
253 pathogen resistance genes (R-genes). This profile of R-gene prevalence in SSI, potato, and  
254 tomato indicated that there was a reduction of these genes in the SMRT transcriptome  
255 compared to the other two species (Table 4). Three of these potential R-genes were then  
256 assayed by semi-quantitative PCR (primers found in Supplemental Table 3) and quantified  
257 using a sample of cDNA from the same pool that had been sequenced, and a sample from an  
258 independently-prepared, unsequenced cDNA pool (Figure 4). In order to assess whether a  
259 SMRT data set could be a reliable indicator of gene expression, both the *in silico* and PCR  
260 measurements of gene expression were normalized in kind to an actin sequence (Ssi032526).  
261 The physical measurements of expression of two of the three genes matched the expression  
262 snapshot extremely well, but the third gene (Ssi038051) was more abundant in stems and  
263 buds than expected based on its SMRT expression snapshot. This confirms that whole  
264 transcriptome snapshots can provide a provisional picture of organ differences in gene  
265 expression, but further shows that the expression of each gene of interest needs to be verified  
266 biologically, most usefully by multiple independent tests.

267 **Discussion**

268 The creation of a *de novo* transcriptome necessitates massive amounts of follow-up  
269 analyses, both *in silico* and biologically, to estimate its reliability.

270 We initially employed both Illumina and 454 sequencing (data not shown) in order  
271 to compensate for the different kinds of errors to which each method was prone (Luo *et al.*,  
272 2012). Screening this assembly with genes randomly selected from an SSI cDNA library  
273 revealed that 20% of these genes failed to match any of the assembled sequences in this  
274 database (Supplemental Figure 2A), and of those that matched, 40% appeared to be chimeric  
275 (Supplemental Figure 2B). In contrast, all of these cDNAs were found in our SMRT  
276 sequenced transcriptome and few were patently chimeric (Figure 1).

277 A number of factors are known to exasperate misassembly including the presence of  
278 large gene families and of repeatedly occurring kmers in the dataset (Moreton *et al.*, 2015).  
279 Even though we did not sequence the SSI genome, we found 4 lines of evidence indicating  
280 that it might be complex enough to pre-dispose our transcriptome to these kinds of assembly  
281 mistakes. First, the nuclear DNA content of SSI was larger than most diploid Solanaceae,  
282 roughly the same size as a tetraploid potato (Supplemental Figure 1). Second, divergent gene  
283 analysis indicated that the SSI transcriptome was unusually complex and contained 3 and 4  
284 distinguishable alleles for many genes (Table 3). Third, there were only 67 putative R-genes,  
285 that is, genes containing a nucleotide binding domain (NB-ARC) and a leucine-rich repeat  
286 domain (LRR), in the SMRT sequenced dataset compared to the 309 in STU, and 137 in  
287 STU (Table 4). Finally, an unusually high percentage of the BUSCO gene set were present  
288 in multiple copies in SSI even though our transcriptome could only consist of a portion of  
289 all the genes that are likely to be encoded in its DNA (Table 2). One model consistent with  
290 these 4 facts was that SSI had, sometime in the past, undergone a partial or complete genome  
291 duplication. Over time, as diploidy was re-established, some of the duplicated alleles or  
292 paralogues diverged, while others were lost. Nevertheless, enough of the expanded gene  
293 families remained to confound the alignment programs that tried to differentiate between  
294 their members. While these kinds of errors might be correctable with the use of other  
295 assembly programs, we chose, instead to create an assembly-independent transcriptome  
296 using SMRT technology.

297 At the moment, SMRT technology does not provide the sequence coverage or depth

298 that can be obtained with Illumina or 454 sequencing. In order to increase our chances of  
299 sampling uncommon organ-specific transcripts, we prepared independent cDNA pools from  
300 4 organs of the plant. Using an in-house script  
301 ([https://github.com/AlexWixom/Transcriptome\\_scripts](https://github.com/AlexWixom/Transcriptome_scripts)), we were able to increase the value  
302 of the final library by generating expression snapshots for genes of interest in each organ.  
303 These expression snapshots are no substitute for a more thorough RNA-seq study, but they  
304 do provide a preliminary assessment of a plant's biology at the time of harvest. Using these  
305 snapshots, we recognized different patterns of expression of individual LHC-1 genes (Figure  
306 3B) within the photosynthetic parts of the plant. We also saw that 2 of the 3 R-genes re-  
307 examined by PCR showed the same expression pattern in two independent RNA and cDNA  
308 preparations as found in the transcriptome itself (Figure 4). Thus, in the absence of RNA-  
309 seq studies or experimental evidence for the role of a specific locus, this kind of library  
310 assembly could be used to direct researchers to the subset of R-genes most likely responsible  
311 for the resistance in a given organ.

312 R-genes coding for recognition proteins are commonly perceived as sentinels that are  
313 awaiting activation by molecules introduced during infection (Jones and Dangl, 2006).  
314 Therefore, the reduced number of R-genes found in SSI (67), compared to both potato (309),  
315 or tomato (137) was unexpected. This discrepancy could be explained in any one of several  
316 ways. First, SSI might be using proteins with novel domain structures in place of classic R-  
317 genes. Second, sequencing depth might simply have been inadequate to capture all R-genes  
318 that were actually being expressed at low levels. Finally, SSI could be relying on rapidly  
319 inducing transcription of R-genes after an infection has occurred. Any one of these  
320 hypotheses is worthy of continuing analysis.

321 With this transcriptome as an example, we have established a protocol that opens the  
322 door to further genetic mining of previously uncharacterized species. The completeness of  
323 our database indicates that *de novo* transcriptomes not only provide an economical and time-  
324 saving way to study a new species, but can also provide expression data that could not be  
325 gleaned from a genomic sequence.

326 **Materials and Methods**

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328 **Plant and Culture Conditions**

329 *S. sisymbriifolium* (SSI) seeds obtained from C. Brown (USDA-ARS, Prosser WA)  
330 were germinated in soil. Nodes from a single plant were sterilized for 20 min using 10%  
331 NaClO with 0.05% Tween20. Plant material was then washed 3x with sterile distilled H<sub>2</sub>O  
332 and put into 120 mL baby food jars containing standard Murashige and Skoog salts, pH 5.6,  
333 3% sucrose, 0.7% agar, 100 µg mL<sup>-1</sup> myo-inositol, 2.0 µg mL<sup>-1</sup> glycine, 1 µg mL<sup>-1</sup> thiamine,  
334 0.5 µg mL<sup>-1</sup> pyridoxine, and 0.5 µg mL<sup>-1</sup> nicotinic acid. A single plant was chosen as the  
335 progenitor of all of the plants used in this study. All of its descendants were maintained at  
336 25°C in 16 h light, and subcultured vegetatively every 4 wk. Over the course of the project,  
337 rooted clones with at least 4-6 leaves were put into 2 L of hydroponic medium (Yoshida  
338 *et al.*, 1976), referred to here as Fake Field. Each container was diffusely aerated through an  
339 aquarium stone, maintained at constant volume by the addition of distilled water, and  
340 emptied and refilled with fresh hydroponic medium every 7 d. Hydroponic containers were  
341 maintained at 22°C, 16 h light with an irradiance level of 0.0006 W m<sup>-2</sup>. Illumination was  
342 provided by GE Lighting Fluorescent lamps (13781, F96T12/CW/1500). After a 2 wk lag-  
343 time, plants began producing 1-3 new leaves each wk, and flowered continuously afterwards.  
344 All experiments were performed on plants that had not been infected or wounded in any way  
345 previously.

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347 **RNA extraction**

348 RNA was extracted from SSI bud, stem, leaf, and root and infected root organs  
349 adapted from the protocol in Casavant *et al.*, 2017. Adoptions included use of a coffee grinder  
350 to homogenize tissue with the addition of dry ice to maintain RNA integrity.

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352 **Genome size estimation by Flow Cytometry**

353 Healthy green leaf tissues were collected from SSI plantlets growing *in vitro*.  
354 Roughly 1 cm<sup>2</sup> (0.01g or less) of leaf was chopped in 1mL ice cold LB01 buffer for 1.5-2  
355 min (Doležel *et al.*, 1989). The LB01 buffer contained 50µg mL<sup>-1</sup> RNase stock and 50µg  
356 mL<sup>-1</sup> propidium iodide (25% PI stock in DMSO) per mL of LB01. Each sample was chopped

357 with a fresh razor blade in a clean Pyrex petri plate. The finely chopped suspension was then  
358 filtered through a 50 $\mu$ m nylon mesh filter (Partec 04-0042-2317). This filtered suspension  
359 was kept in the dark at 4°C for between 15-90 min before it was analyzed.

360 Genome size estimations were made using a BD FACSARIA Flow Cytometer  
361 (IBEST Imaging Core, University of Idaho, Moscow, ID, USA). A green laser at 488nm was  
362 used to excite the propidium iodide stained cells and was then collected in the PE-A channel.  
363 Thresholds for PE-A were set at 1,000 and FSC at 500. The voltages were set so the major  
364 peak (2C) of the SSI samples were near 50,000 on the linear scale. Four suspensions were  
365 made from separate donor plants once a day for three consecutive days. Two replicates of  
366 two external standards were also used daily in addition to the 4 SSI samples. External  
367 standards included *Solanum lycopersicum* cv. Stupicke polni tyckove rane (2C= 1.96 pg  
368 DNA) and *Glycine max* cv. Polanka (2C= 2.50 pg DNA) (Doležel *et al.*, 1992; Doležel *et al.*,  
369 1994) which were chosen because their genome sizes were in the expected range of SSI. One  
370 repetition of internal standards was run using tomato and soybean. DNA content was  
371 estimated using the equation described by Doležel *et al.*, 2007.

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### 373 **Library Preparation for Iso-Seq**

374 SMRT library preparation and sequencing were performed by the National Center for  
375 Genome Resources (Santa Fe, New Mexico). The Iso-Seq libraries for four organs, root,  
376 stem, leaf and bud, were prepared for Isoform Sequencing (Iso-Seq) using the Clontech  
377 SMARTer PCR cDNA Synthesis Kit and the BluePippin Size Selection System protocol as  
378 described by Pacific Biosciences (<https://goo.gl/ij71Hh>) with the following modifications.  
379 For cDNA conversion, 3  $\mu$ g of total RNA was put into each Clontech SMARTer reaction.  
380 From the PCR optimization procedure specified in the protocol, it was determined that 14  
381 cycles of PCR would be sufficient for amplification of each organ's cDNA. Amplification  
382 was followed by size selection on each sample to obtain three size bins (0.5-2 kb, 1.5-3 kb  
383 and 2.5-6 kb) using the Blue Pippin (Sage Science, Beverly, Massachusetts) instrument. The  
384 amplified and size selected cDNA products were made into SMRTbell Template libraries per  
385 the Isoform Sequencing protocol referenced above. Libraries were prepared for sequencing  
386 by annealing a sequencing primer (component of the SMRTbell Template Prep Kit 1.0) and  
387 then binding polymerase to this primer-annealed template. The polymerase-bound template

388 was bound to MagBeads (P/N 100-125-900) (<https://goo.gl/wdZErU>) and sequencing was  
389 performed on a PacBio RS II instrument. 12 v3 SMRTcells were run for the root tissues, 14  
390 for the leaf tissues, 9 for the stem tissues, and 12 for the bud tissues for a total of 47  
391 SMRTcells (Pacific Biosciences, P/N 100-171-800). The libraries from each organ were  
392 separately sequenced using P6C4 polymerase and chemistry and 240-minute movie times  
393 (Pacific Biosciences, P/N 100-372-700, P/N 100-356-200).

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### 395 **Single Molecule Real Time Sequencing**

396 All SMRT cells for a given organ were run through the Iso-Seq pipeline included in  
397 the SMRT Analysis software package. First, reads of insert (ROIs, previously known as  
398 circular consensus sequences or CCS) were generated using the minimum filtering  
399 requirement of 0 or greater passes of the insert and a minimum read quality of 75. This  
400 allowed for the high yields going into subsequent steps, while providing high accuracy  
401 consensus sequences where possible. The pipeline then classified the ROI in terms of full-  
402 length, nonchimeric and non-full length reads. This was done by identifying the 5' and 3'  
403 adapters used in the library preparation as well as the poly(A) tail. Only reads that contained  
404 all three in the expected arrangement and did not contain any additional copies of the adapter  
405 sequence within the DNA fragment were classified as full-length non-chimeric copies.  
406 Finally, all full-length non-chimeric reads were run through the Iterative Clustering for Error  
407 correction algorithm then further corrected by the Pacific Biosciences Quiver algorithm  
408 (<https://github.com/PacificBiosciences/cDNA\primer/wiki/Understanding-PacBio-transcriptome-data>). Once the Iso-Seq pipeline result was available for each organ, the results  
409 were combined into a single data set and redundant sequences were removed using CD-HIT-  
410 EST (Li and Godzik, 2006).

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### 413 **Illumina Sequencing for divergent gene analysis**

414 Extracted total RNA from each previously stated organ was sent to Eurofins  
415 Genomics (Ebersberg, Germany) for library preparation and sequencing. Prior to library  
416 preparation, quality control (QC) was performed on individual tubes of RNA and equal  
417 aliquots of each preparation were blended into one pool. The Illumina library cDNA was  
418 prepared using randomly-primed first and second strand synthesis, followed by gel sizing

419 and PCR amplification. The library was then physically normalized and found to have insert  
420 sizes of 250-450 bp.

421 Illumina sequencing was performed on a MiSeq v3 2x300. The read sequences were  
422 clipped using Trimmomatic, version 0.32 (Bolger *et al.*, 2014), and bases with a Phred score  
423 < 20 were removed. Trimmed reads shorter than 150 bp were removed; this step could  
424 remove none, one, or both mates of a read-pair. Digital normalization was applied to the  
425 Illumina reads in order to reduce redundant information present in these large datasets. A  
426 coverage cutoff of 30 and a kmer size of 20 decreased the data to 28% of the initial  
427 31,310,146 reads. BWA (Li and Durbin, 2009) was used to map read pairs to the *Solanum*  
428 *tuberosum* cultivar Desiree chloroplast genome (GenBank accession DQ38616.2). Only  
429 unmapped reads were retained.

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### 431 **Annotation of Sequences**

432 Mercator sequence annotation was performed using the TAIR, PPAP, KOG, CDD,  
433 IPR, BLAST CUTOFF of 80, and ANNOTATE options (Lohse *et al.*, 2014).

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### 435 **Annotating Protein Domains of Translated Sequences**

436 PfamScan (Finn *et al.*, 2009) was run on the SSI transcriptomes following protocols  
437 set forth by Sarris *et al.*, 2016.

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### 439 **Biological Quality Check of *in silico* Sequences**

440 45 clones from a cDNA library (Express Genomics, Average insert size=1 kb,  
441 Vector= pExpress 1) were randomly selected and sequenced via Sanger Dye-Deoxy DNA  
442 Sequencing (ABI 3730). These sequences were then aligned to the transcriptomes using  
443 Bowtie2 (Langmead and Salzberg, 2012) set for local alignment and best hit only. These  
444 aligned sequences were then manually compared for possible chimeric features.

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### 446 **Evolutionary Comparison of SSI to 13 Other Species**

447 The evolutionary clustering and comparison protocols were adapted from those set  
448 out in Yang *et al.*, 2014. See Supplemental Table 4 for species used and online download  
449 sources.

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## 451 **Divergent Gene Analysis to determine Ploidy**

452 Phasing of the SMRT transcriptome was completed using unassembled Illumina  
453 sequences adapted from protocols established by Krasileva *et al.*, 2013, with the addition of  
454 an in-house Python script to quantify single-nucleotide polymorphisms present per sequence  
455 ([https://github.com/AlexWixom/Transcriptome\\_scripts/freePloidy.py](https://github.com/AlexWixom/Transcriptome_scripts/freePloidy.py)).

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## 457 **Creation of Expression Snapshots Using only SMRT Sequences**

458 In-house Python scripts were used to backtrack final transcriptome sequences to each  
459 organ using CD-HIT-EST cluster files  
460 ([https://github.com/AlexWixom/Transcriptome\\_scripts](https://github.com/AlexWixom/Transcriptome_scripts)).

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## 462 **Expression Snapshot Validation**

463 Sequence specific oligonucleotides were designed for several genes that were then  
464 used to obtain semi-quantitative PCR expression snapshots on the same cDNA used to obtain  
465 our SSI transcriptome (referred to as the “Sequenced” sample), as well as on a second cDNA  
466 pool prepared from RNA collected from independently grown plants (referred to as the  
467 “Unsequenced” sample). PCR fragment bands were quantified with a local background  
468 subtracted and normalized to actin (following the procedure established by Casavant *et al.*,  
469 2017). The primers for these genes can be found in Supplemental Table 3 with the proposed  
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## 472 **Accession Numbers**

473 The SMRT sequenced transcriptome has been deposited at DDBJ/EMBL/GenBank under  
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## 477 **Data availability**

478 File S1 contains detailed descriptions of all supplemental files. Sequence data are available  
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636 **Tables**

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638 sub-transcriptomes were sequenced and combined from 33,170 root, 99,924 bud, 50,825  
639 leaf, and 47,793 stem reads. See Supplemental Figure 3 and Supplemental Figure 4 for gene  
640 ontology bins of this transcriptome.

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	SMRT Assembly	SSI
Total raw reads	231,712	
Read lengths	300-7883	
Total raw reads size (bp)	362,086,346	
GC content	41.17	
	Number	139,611
	Total length	237,865,670
Transcripts	N50	2,050
	Max length	7,883
	GC content	40.97
	Number	41,189
	Total length	74,642,518
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	Transcriptome		Genome	
	SSI (%)	Tomato (%)	Potato (%)	ATH (%)
Complete BUSCOs	93	96.2	86.7	97.7
Complete Single-copy BUSCOs	62.8	94.2	64.1	N/A
Complete Duplicated BUSCOs	30.2	2.0	22.6	N/A
Fragmented BUSCOs	2.0	0.8	4.7	0.6
Missing BUSCOs	4.1	3.0	8.6	1.7

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647 **Table 3: Divergent gene assessment of allele and/or paralog number in the SSI transcriptome.**

648 4-allele genes were mapped to tomato chromosomes, see Supplemental Table 2.

Allele or Paralog	# of genes
Homozygous	17,773
2	22,098
3	1,358
4	44

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651 **Table 4: R-gene profile of potato (STU), tomato (SLY), and the SSI transcriptome.** The SSI  
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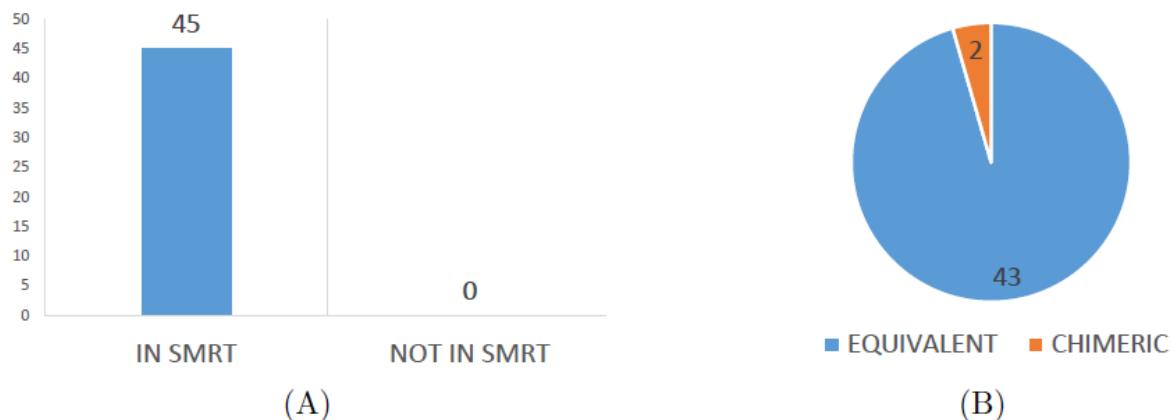
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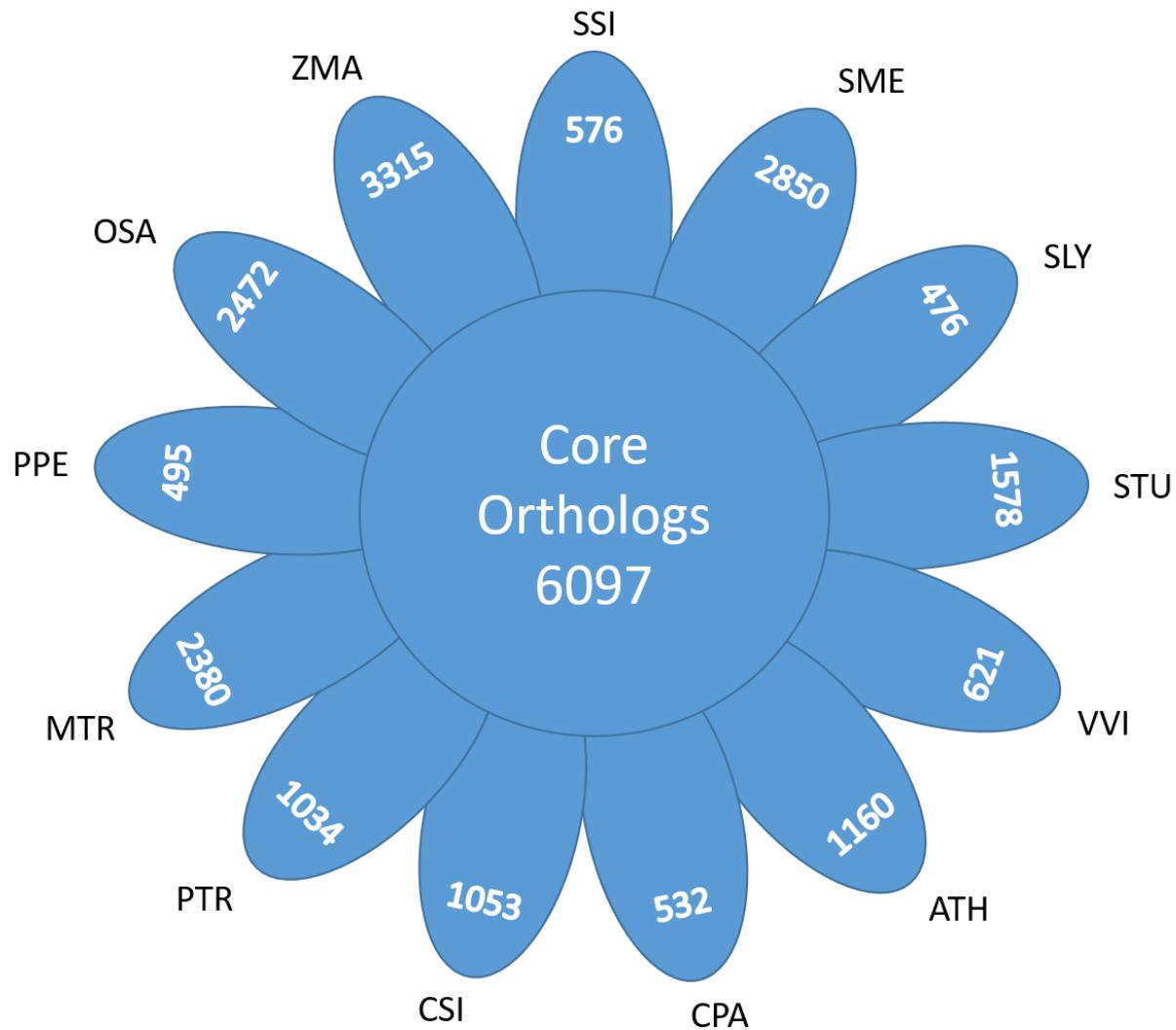
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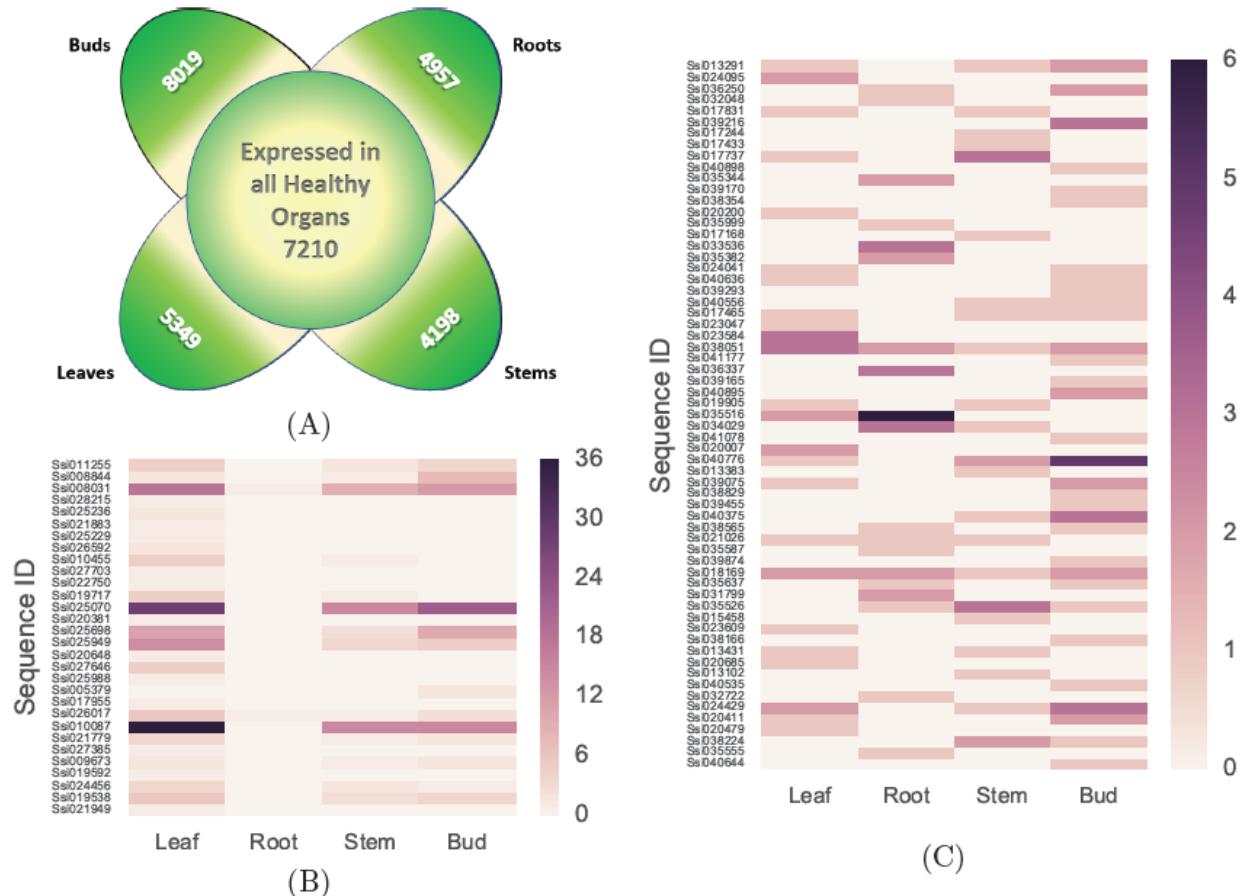
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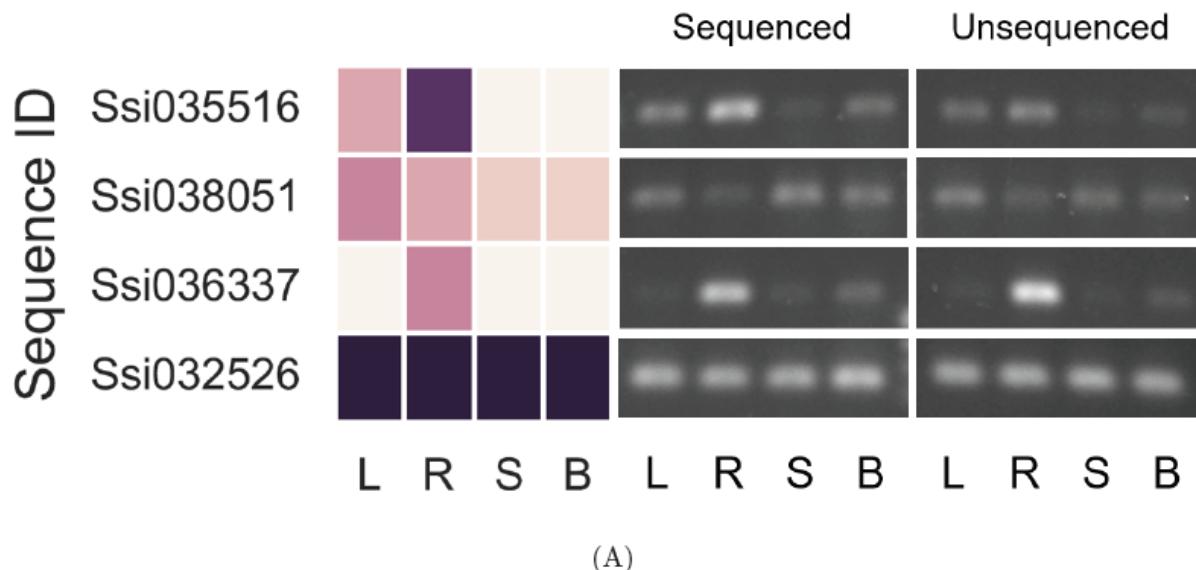


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(A)

SSI sequence ID	<i>A. thaliana</i> homologue	Leaf	Root	Stem	Bud
Ssi035516	ADR1-L1 (at4g33300) NB-ARC	0.64 ± 0.22	0.99 ± 0.13	0.20 ± 0.02	0.39 ± 0.00
Ssi038051	domain-containing disease resistance protein (at1g50180)	0.88 ± 0.40	0.43 ± 0.24	0.69 ± 0.06	0.64 ± 0.13
Ssi036337	RPM1 (at3g07040)	0.22 ± 0.02	1.56 ± 0.56	0.19 ± 0.05	0.36 ± 0.10

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