

1 **Short title:** Screen for suppressors of *Ler/Kas2* incompatibility

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3 ***NLR* mutations suppressing immune hybrid incompatibility and their**
4 **effects on disease resistance**

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39 identifies multiple *TNL* intragenic mutations improving fitness, with no costs on disease
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Abstract

Genetic divergence between populations can lead to reproductive isolation. Hybrid incompatibilities (HI) represent intermediate points along a continuum towards speciation. In plants, genetic variation in disease resistance (*R*) genes underlies several cases of HI. The progeny of a cross between *Arabidopsis* (*Arabidopsis thaliana*) accessions Landsberg (*Ler*, Poland) and Kashmir-2 (*Kas-2*, central Asia) exhibits immune-related HI. This incompatibility is due to a genetic interaction between a cluster of eight *TNL* (*TOLL/INTERLEUKIN1 RECEPTOR- NUCLEOTIDE BINDING - LEUCINE RICH REPEAT*) *RPP1* (*RECOGNITION OF PERONOSPORA PARASITICA 1*)- like genes (*R1- R8*) from *Ler* and central Asian alleles of a *Strubbelig*-family receptor-like kinase (*SRF3*) from *Kas-2*. In characterizing mutants altered in *Ler/Kas-2* HI, we mapped multiple mutations to the *RPP1*-like *Ler* locus. Analysis of these *suppressor of Ler/Kas-2 incompatibility* (*sulki*) mutants reveals complex, additive and epistatic interactions underlying *RPP1-like Ler* locus activity. The effects of these mutations were measured on basal defense, global gene expression, primary metabolism, and disease resistance to a local *Hyaloperonospora arabidopsidis* isolate (*Hpa Gw*) collected from Gorzów (*Gw*), where the Landsberg accession originated. Gene expression sectors and metabolic hallmarks identified for HI are both dependent and independent of *RPP1-like Ler* members. We establish that mutations suppressing immune-related *Ler/Kas-2* HI do not compromise resistance to *Hpa Gw*. QTL mapping analysis of *Hpa Gw* resistance point to *RPP7* as the causal locus. This work provides insight into the complex genetic architecture of the *RPP1-like Ler* locus and immune-related HI in *Arabidopsis* and into the contributions of *RPP1-like* genes to HI and defense.

67 INTRODUCTION

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69 Hybrid vigor is a common phenomenon in plants. Genetic differentiation between individuals of
70 the same species at specific loci can also lead to a dramatic reduction of hybrid fitness in the F₁
71 or later generations, due to negative epistasis. Certain interacting alleles are not deleterious in
72 their respective backgrounds, but they can become lethal when combined in the same hybrid
73 genome. Such negative genetic interactions might constitute an early stage of species isolation
74 (Coyne, 1992; Coyne and Orr, 2004). Plant hybrid necrosis or hybrid weakness has been
75 documented in crops and model species (Bomblies and Weigel, 2007). In the last decade,
76 identification of genetic determinants of some hybrid incompatibilities (HI) revealed that
77 immune gene variability could underlie this phenomenon. Immune-related incompatible hybrids
78 are temperature-dependent and exhibit reduced growth, deregulated cell death, and sterility
79 (Bomblies et al., 2007; Alcázar et al., 2009; Jeuken et al., 2009; Yamamoto et al., 2010; Chen et
80 al., 2014). The metabolic costs of maintaining a constitutively active immune system might
81 contribute to reduced fitness. In many cases, mapping of causal genes identified at least one
82 polymorphic *Nucleotide-binding/leucine-rich-repeat* (*NLR*) locus encoding intracellular
83 pathogen recognition (*NLR*) receptors (Alcázar et al., 2012; Chae et al., 2014). *NLR*-interacting
84 loci include other disease *Resistance* (*R*) genes or genes with diverse functions (Bomblies and
85 Weigel, 2007; Alcázar et al., 2009; Yamamoto et al., 2010; Chae et al., 2014). In *Arabidopsis*
86 (*Arabidopsis thaliana*), the *DANGEROUS MIX 2* (*DM2*) locus mapping to a polymorphic *RPP1*
87 (*RECOGNITION OF PERONOSPORA PARASITICA 1*) - like gene cluster underlies at least
88 five documented cases of immune-related HI between accessions Uk-1 (*DM2*, *RPP1-like*) / Uk-
89 3 (*DANGEROUS MIX1*, *SUPPRESSOR OF SALICYLIC ACID INSENSITIVE 4*) (Bomblies et
90 al., 2007), Landsberg *erecta* (*Ler*) (*DM2*, *RPP1-like*) / Kas-2 (*STRUBBELIG RECEPTOR*
91 *FAMILY 3*) (Alcázar et al., 2009), Bla-1 (*DM2*, *RPP1-like*) / Hh-0 (*DANGEROUS MIX 3*, prolyl
92 aminopeptidase *At3g61540*), Dog-4 (*DM2*, *RPP1-like*) / ICE163 (*DANGEROUS MIX 5*), and
93 TueWa1-2 (*RPP1-like*) / ICE163 (*DANGEROUS MIX 4*, overlapping with *RPP8*) (Chae et al.,
94 2014). Therefore, the *RPP1-like* locus is a hotspot for temperature-dependent immune-related
95 HI in *Arabidopsis* (Alcázar et al., 2009; Chae et al., 2014; Stuttmann et al., 2016).

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97 Immune-related HIs have also been reported in rice, lettuce, tomato, the genus *Capsella*, and
98 other species. An interspecific hybrid weakness in rice involves two dominant loci and three
99 genes (Chen et al., 2014). One locus (*HYBRID WEAKNESS II*, *HWII*) contains two *LRR*
100 *RECEPTOR-LIKE KINASE* genes, both required for incompatibility with the *HWI2* locus,
101 which maps to a *SUBTILISIN-LIKE PROTEASE* gene (Chen et al., 2014). Also in rice, a two-
102 way recessive interaction causing hybrid breakdown involves the *CASEIN KINASE I* (*CKII*)

103 gene and an *NLR* cluster (Yamamoto et al., 2010). In lettuce, temperature-dependent hybrid
104 necrosis in an interspecific cross involves two loci, one of them mapping to *RIN4* (*RPM1*
105 *INTERACTING PROTEIN 4*), encoding an acylated plasma membrane-associated protein which
106 is a negative regulator of basal anti-microbial defense targeted by different *Pseudomonas*
107 *syringae* effectors (Jeuken et al., 2009; Khan et al., 2016). In tomato, HI was observed in an
108 interspecific cross involving allelic variants at *Rcr3* and *Cf-2* loci, the latter conferring
109 resistance to the fungus *Cladosporium fulvum* (Krüger et al., 2002). In the genus *Capsella*, HI
110 has been described between *C. grandiflora* and *C. rubella* involving a two-way epistatic
111 interaction between *NPR1* and *RPP5* loci (Sicard et al. 2015). The Dobzhansky-Muller model
112 on genetic incompatibilities is agnostic on whether causal genes diverge into incompatible
113 alleles by drift or selection (Coyne and Orr, 2004). The frequency of immune receptor genes
114 underlying HI is likely a consequence of their rapid evolution in response to pathogen infection
115 pressure (Chae et al, 2014).

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117 The majority of plant disease *R* genes encode NLR proteins. These are classified into two main
118 groups: TNLs (TIR-NLRs) and CNLs (CC-NLRs), based on the presence of a Toll/Interleukin-1
119 Receptor (TIR) or a coiled-coil CC domain at their N-terminus (Sukarta et al., 2016). *R* genes
120 often reside in clusters and exhibit high polymorphism and copy number variation, through
121 illegitimate recombination, duplication, and gene conversion events (Hurwitz et al., 2010;
122 McHale et al., 2012; Muñoz-Amatriaín et al., 2013). Indeed, together with *RECEPTOR-LIKE*
123 *KINASE* genes, *NLRs* exhibit signatures of rapid expansion and diversification (Cao et al., 2011;
124 Xu et al., 2011). The *RPP1-like* locus contains a variable number of *TNL* genes in different
125 *Arabidopsis* accessions, from two in Col-0 to four in Ws-2 (Botella et al., 1998), five to six in
126 Zdr-1 and Est-1 (Goritschnig et al., 2016), and eight in *Ler*, Uk-1, and Bla-1 (Alcázar et al.,
127 2009; Chae et al., 2014). *RPP* genes recognize the obligate biotrophic oomycete pathogen,
128 *Hyaloperonospora arabidopsidis* (*Hpa*, formerly *Peronospora parasitica*), which causes downy
129 mildew disease (Botella et al., 1998; Coates and Beynon, 2010). As a naturally co-evolving
130 host-pathogen system, different *Hpa* isolates have been identified that elicit accession-specific
131 resistance responses due to the recognition of different avirulence gene products/effectors
132 (*Arabidopsis thaliana* Recognized, ATR), or effector variants. The *RPP1* resistance locus in
133 Ws-2 and Nd-1 contains *RPP1* genes that exhibit partially overlapping recognition of *Hpa*
134 isolates (Botella et al., 1998; Rehmany et al., 2005). Using an F₂ mapping population derived
135 from a cross between *Hpa* isolates Emoy2 (avirulent) and Maks9 (virulent), ATR1^{NdWsB} was
136 found to be recognized by RPP1-NdA (Rehmany et al., 2005). Genetic variation at *ATR1*
137 conditions *Hpa* recognition by different *RPP1* genes, e.g., *RPP1*-WsB, *RPP1*-NdA, *RPP1*-
138 EstA, and *RPP1*-ZdrA (Rehmany et al., 2005; Sohn et al., 2007; Goritschnig et al., 2016). RPP1
139 receptors likely also perceive other *ATR* gene products (Botella et al., 1998; Rehmany et al.,

140 2005). An intriguing question is whether *RPP1* genes involved in immune-related HI provide
141 disease resistance to locally adapted *Hpa* isolates, or their activities in pathogen resistance and
142 incompatibility can be separated.

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144 Here we determine the contribution of different *RPP1-like* genes to *Ler/Kas-2* HI and resistance
145 to a local *Hpa* isolate collected in Gorzów Wielkopolski (Poland), where Landsberg was
146 collected in 1939. In this population, 30% of genetically differentiated Gorzów (Gw)
147 individuals contain a conserved *RPP1-like Ler* haplotype. This derived haplotype increased in
148 frequency and has been maintained locally for many generations (Alcázar et al., 2014). Through
149 EMS mutagenesis, we identify multiple *suppressors of Ler/Kas-2 incompatibility (sulki)*
150 mutants which map to *RPP1-like Ler R3* and *R8* genes. Generation of CRISPR/Cas9 *RPP1-like*
151 *Ler R2, R3, R4, and R8* loss-of-function mutants in a *Ler/Kas-2* NIL background reveals that
152 additive and epistatic interactions between *RPP1-like* gene members contribute to immune-
153 related HI. Global gene expression and metabolite profiling of *Ler/Kas-2* incompatible hybrids
154 and *sulki* suppressors identify metabolic and expression hallmarks for immune-related HI,
155 which are *RPP1-like R8* dependent or independent. Through QTL mapping, we find that
156 resistance to the local *Hpa* isolate from Gorzów (denoted here *Hpa Gw*) in *Ler* is not mediated
157 by genes at the *RPP1-like* locus, but maps to a region containing the previously defined *RPP7*
158 *CNL Resistance* gene (McDowell et al., 2000). Resistance conferred by *RPP7* to *Hpa Gw* is
159 genetically independent of salicylic acid (SA) and *EDS1*. Because certain *RPP1-like* proteins
160 recognize allelic variants of the *Hpa* ATR1 effector, we tested whether *RPP1-like Ler* proteins
161 could induce host cell death, reflecting a hypersensitive response (HR) when transiently
162 expressed with *Hpa Gw* ATR1 in *Nicotiana tabacum*. Co-expression of *RPP1-like Ler R2, R3,*
163 *R4 or R8* protein with *Hpa Gw* ATR1 δ 51 does not trigger cell death in *Nicotiana tabacum*. Our
164 results show that the *RPP1-like* incompatible haplotype does not provide disease resistance to a
165 local *Hpa Gw* isolate. We provide evidence for complex genetic interactions underlying the
166 *RPP1-like Ler* locus HI with *Kas-2*. Our results also help differentiate *RPP1-like* gene actions in
167 incompatibility and defense.

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170 RESULTS

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172 Identification of *RPPI-like Ler* suppressors of *Ler/Kas-2* incompatibility

173 An incompatible *Ler/Kas-2* near-isogenic line (NIL) that contains a *Ler* introgression spanning
174 the *RPPI-like* locus, in an otherwise *Kas-2* genetic background (Alcázar et al., 2009), was used
175 for the isolation of *suppressor of Ler/Kas-2 incompatibility* (*sulki*) mutants. Mutagenized
176 *Ler/Kas-2* NIL plants were generated by treating *Ler/Kas-2* NIL seeds with ethyl
177 methanesulfonate (EMS), and 25,000 M₁ individuals were propagated in 200 pools.
178 Approximately 1,000 M₂ generation plants from each pool were grown to identify suppressors
179 of HI at 14 - 16°C. Twenty dominant *sulki* mutants were isolated which suppressed dwarfism at
180 14 - 16°C, indicative of a loss or amelioration of *Ler/Kas-2* HI. The different *sulki* mutants were
181 backcrossed at least five times with the parental *Ler/Kas-2* NIL. The genomes of *sulki* BC₅F₁
182 and *Ler/Kas-2* NIL were then sequenced by next-generation sequencing and unique SNPs
183 identified for each mutant compared with the *Ler/Kas-2* NIL.

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185 DNA sequence analysis identified eleven *sulki* mutants carrying single mutations within the
186 *RPPI-like Ler* locus, which were further confirmed by SANGER sequencing (**Fig. 1A**). Ten
187 intragenic mutations (*sulki1-1* to *sulki1-10*) were dominant, mapping to different domains of
188 *RPPI-like Ler R8*, and fully suppressed both dwarfism and cell death at low temperature (14 -
189 16°C) (**Fig. 1A, Fig. 2, Supplemental Fig. 1 and Supplemental Table 1**). *RPPI-like Ler R8* is
190 a homolog of *DANGEROUS MIX 2h* (*DM2h*) in Arabidopsis accessions Uk-1 and Bla-1 (Chae
191 et al., 2014). In Col-0, it is homologous to *At3g44670* (Alcázar et al., 2014), although with a
192 high level of polymorphism especially in the LRR domain (Chae et al., 2014). A recessive
193 mutation (*sulki2-1*) mapped to the TIR domain of *RPPI-like Ler R3* (T78I), which partially
194 suppressed dwarfism and cell death (**Fig. 2, Supplemental Fig. 1 and Supplemental Table 1**).
195 In all cases, except for one 8-nucleotide deletion (*sulki1-7*), only G/C to A/T transition
196 mutations were observed, as expected for mutations generated by EMS treatment (**Fig. 1A**).

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198 Distribution of *sulki* mutations within TIR, NB, and LRR domains

199 In *RPPI-like Ler R8*, five and three suppressor mutations were found in the NB and LRR
200 domains, respectively (**Fig. 1B**), consistent with the importance of these domains in TNL
201 function (Meyers et al., 2003). Amino acid changes were found within the conserved RNBS-C
202 (P428S, *sulki1-2*) and GLPL (P466L, *sulki1-3*) motifs. Two additional amino acid substitutions
203 (G500E in *sulki1-5* and G509A in *sulki1-6*), and one stop codon (W484*, *sulki1-4*) were in a
204 stretch of 40 amino acids that connects GLPL and RNBS-D motifs. The presence of three close
205 mutations leading to the same suppressive phenotype suggests that the GLPL-to-RNBS-D
206 region is crucial for *RPPI-like Ler R8* function. Three additional amino acid changes were

207 found in the LRR domain of *RPP1-like Ler R8*, in the junction between LRR2 and LRR3
208 (S758F, *sulki1-8*), within LRR5 (R821H, *sulki1-9*) and LRR8 (G877E, *sulki1-10*) motifs. A
209 small 8-nucleotide deletion was identified in the splice donor site of *sulki1-7*, preceding the
210 LRR exon. In the TIR domain of *RPP1-like Ler R8*, one G202E non-synonymous substitution
211 was detected between TIR3 and TIR4 in *sulki1-1* (**Fig. 1B**). Most suppressive non-synonymous
212 substitutions were found in invariant or highly conserved NLR residues, except for Gly⁵⁰⁹,
213 which appears to be specific to *RPP1-like Ler R8* homologs *At3g44670*^{Col-0} and *DM2h*^{Bla-1}
214 (**Supplemental Fig. 2**).

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216 Altogether, we identified multiple independent mutations within the NB or LRR domains of
217 *RPP1-like Ler R8* and single mutations in the TIR domains of *RPP1-like Ler R8* and *R3* genes
218 suppressing *Ler/Kas-2* NIL immune-related HI. These data strongly reinforce previous studies
219 identifying *RPP1-like Ler R3* and *R8* as genes contributing to *Ler/Kas-2* HI (Alcázar et al.,
220 2014; Stuttmann et al., 2016). We concluded that single point mutations within the *RPP1-like*
221 locus are sufficient for full (*sulki1*, *RPP1-like Ler R8*) or partial (*sulki2*, *RPP1-like Ler R3*)
222 suppression of *Ler/Kas-2* HI.

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224 **Expression of SA-responsive and oxidative stress marker genes in *sulki1* and *sulki2***

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226 *Ler/Kas-2* HI is associated with constitutive activation of TNL receptor-triggered defense
227 programs, including high expression of *PR1*, *EDS1*, *GST1*, and *RPP1-like Ler R3* at 14 - 16°C
228 (Alcázar et al., 2009; Alcázar et al., 2014). We analyzed transcripts of these and other *RPP1-*
229 *like Ler* genes (*R2*, *R4*, and *R8*) to determine the defense status of *sulki1* and *sulki2*. Expression
230 of *PR1*, *EDS1*, and *GST1* was much lower in *sulki1* and *sulki2-1* mutants compared to the
231 *Ler/Kas-2* NIL, but similar or slightly lower than *Ler* or *Kas-2* (**Fig. 3**). These results suggest
232 that constitutive activation of defenses in the *Ler/Kas-2* NIL at 14 - 16°C is suppressed in *sulki1*
233 and *sulki2*. The expression of *RPP1-like Ler R3* and *R8* was also significantly lower in *sulki1*
234 and *sulki2* than in *Ler/Kas-2* NIL (**Fig. 3**). We hypothesized that SA, which accumulates in
235 *Ler/Kas-2* NIL (Alcázar et al. 2009), causes up-regulation of some *RPP1-like* genes. Indeed, we
236 found that *RPP1-like Ler R3* and *R8* but not *R2* or *R4* expression was induced in *Ler* by SA or
237 BTH (benzo (1,2,3) thiadiazole-7-carbothioic acid *S*-methyl ester) application at 8 to 24 h
238 (**Supplemental Fig. 3**). Therefore, we concluded that there is SA positive feedback regulation
239 of *RPP1-like Ler* genes *R3* and *R8* involved in immune-related HI.

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241 **Allelism and complementation tests of *sulki1* and *sulki2* mutants**

242 To confirm that the causal mutations in *sulki1* map to *RPP1-like Ler R8*, we performed allelism
243 tests with *RPP1-like Ler R8* loss-of-function mutants generated by CRISPR/Cas9 in the

244 *Ler/Kas-2* NIL background (referred to as *Cas9-r8*, **Supplemental Fig. 4**). *Cas9-r8* mutants that
245 contained early stop codons in the TIR domain of *RPP1-like Ler R8* suppressed dwarfism and
246 cell death at 14 - 16°C in a dominant manner, consistent with the involvement of *RPP1-like Ler*
247 *R8* in the incompatibility with *Kas-2* (**Fig. 4A, Supplemental Fig. 5, and Supplemental Table**
248 **1**). To confirm that *sulki1* mutations were allelic to *Cas9-r8*, homozygous *sulki1* and *Cas9-r8-1*
249 (after removal of the *Cas9* transgene) were crossed, and F₂ populations were obtained by
250 selfing. The F₂ populations were screened for the occurrence of incompatible phenotypes at 14 -
251 16°C (**Supplemental Table 1**). The absence of segregation for incompatibility confirmed that
252 *sulki1* mutants are allelic to *Cas9-r8*.

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254 To confirm the causality of the *sulki2-1* mutation mapping to *RPP1-like Ler R3*, we transformed
255 *sulki2-1* plants with a genomic construct of *RPP1-like Ler R3* (Alcázar et al., 2014).
256 Complemented lines, which also were non-overexpressors of the *RPP1-like R3 Ler* transgene,
257 reconstituted the incompatible phenotype at 14 - 16°C (**Supplemental Fig. 6**). These results are
258 in agreement with a gene dosage effect underlying the recessive nature of the *RPP1-like Ler*
259 locus. In summary, we confirmed that mutations underlying *sulki1* and *sulki2-1* suppressive
260 phenotypes map to *RPP1-like Ler R8* and *R3* genes, respectively.

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262 **Generation of *RPP1-like Ler* loss-of-function mutants in *Ler/Kas-2* NIL by CRISPR/Cas9**

263 We next analyzed the contribution of other *RPP1-like Ler* genes to *Ler/Kas-2* immune-related
264 HI by isolating CRISPR/Cas9-induced mutations in the *Ler/Kas-2* NIL. Based on mRNA-seq
265 data (see below), *RPP1-like Ler R2, R3, R4, and R8* genes within the *RPP1-like Ler* locus are
266 predicted to encode full-length TNL proteins. *RPP1-like Ler R1, R5, R6 or R7* genes contain
267 stop codons in their TIR or NB domains. Therefore, we focused on *RPP1-like Ler R2, R3, R4,*
268 *and R8* to introduce frameshift mutations by CRISPR/Cas9 in TIR or NB domains. For each
269 TNL-encoding gene, we designed protospacers next to unique NGG motifs (protospacer
270 adjacent motif, PAM) (Fauser et al., 2014) (**Supplemental Fig. 4**). Indel mutations resulting in
271 early stop codons were identified in transgenic lines expressing specific *RPP1-like Ler R2, R3,*
272 *R4, and R8* RNA-guided endonucleases (**Supplemental Fig. 4**). The different mutants were
273 then crossed with *Ler/Kas-2* NIL and *Cas9*-free homozygous mutants isolated from the F₂
274 progeny. To confirm the absence of mutations in other genes within the *RPP1-like* cluster, the
275 eight *RPP1-like Ler* genes were sequenced in the different CRISPR/Cas9 mutants (Alcázar et
276 al., 2014).

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278 Loss-of-function mutations at *RPP1-like Ler R2* (*Cas9-r2-1* and *r2-2*), *R3* (*Cas9-r3-1* and *r3-2*),
279 *and R4* (*Cas9-r4-1* and *r4-2*) in the *Ler/Kas-2* NIL were recessive and resulted in partial
280 suppression of dwarfism and cell death (**Fig. 4A, Supplemental Fig. 5, and Supplemental**

281 **Table 1).** Lower expression of *PRI*, *EDS1*, *GST1*, and *RPP1-like Ler R3* in 5-week-old Cas9
282 lines grown at 14 - 16°C was consistent with suppression of the autoimmune response (**Fig. 4B**).
283 Notably, cell death (**Supplemental Fig. 5C**) and *PRI*, *EDS1*, *GST1*, and *RPP1-like Ler R3*
284 expression (**Supplemental Fig. 7**) increased over time in Cas9-*r2*, -*r3* and -*r4* lines, although to
285 a lower extent than in the *Ler/Kas-2* NIL. Mutations in *RPP1-like Ler R8* alone fully suppress
286 incompatibility, regardless of other incompatible genes contributing to HI being present (*RPP1-*
287 *like Ler R2*, *R3*, and *R4*). Therefore, incompatibility is not simply an additive effect of various
288 *RPP1-like Ler* genes with *R8* having stronger effects than the others. These results indicate that
289 *RPP1-like Ler R2*, *R3*, and *R4* genes contribute additively to *Ler/Kas-2* HI, whereas *RPP1-like*
290 *Ler R8* is epistatic to other *RPP1-like Ler* members. Thus, additive and epistatic interactions
291 underlie the complex nature of *RPP1-like Ler* cluster incompatibility with *Kas-2*. The data are
292 consistent with the involvement of two or more *RPP1-like Ler* genes in HI between *Ler* and
293 *Kas-2* (Alcázar et al., 2014; Stuttmann et al, 2016).

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295 **Bacterial pathogen resistance phenotypes in *sulki1*, *sulki2*, and Cas9 *RPP1-like Ler*** 296 **mutants**

297 We determined the effect of *sulki1*, *sulki2*, Cas9-*r2*, Cas9-*r3*, Cas9-*r4*, and Cas9-*r8* mutations
298 on basal disease resistance by measuring the growth of virulent *Pseudomonas syringae* pv.
299 *tomato* strain DC3000 (*Pst* DC3000) and the Type III secretion-disabled *Pst hrcC* mutant,
300 which fails to deliver virulence factors (effectors) and induces only PAMP-triggered immunity
301 (PTI) (Yuan and He, 1996). At 14 - 16°C and 20 - 22 °C, the *Ler/Kas-2* NIL exhibited higher
302 basal resistance to *Pst* DC3000 than all other tested genotypes (**Fig. 5**). At both temperatures,
303 *sulki1* and Cas9-*r8* mutations suppressed *Ler/Kas-2* basal resistance to similar levels as the
304 parents (*Ler* or *Kas-2*). By contrast, *sulki2-1*, Cas9-*r2*, Cas9-*r3*, and Cas9-*r4* mutations
305 exhibited partial suppression of basal resistance at 14 - 16°C, but full suppression at 20 - 22 °C
306 (similar to *Ler* and *Kas-2*). These results show that *RPP1-like Ler R8* mutations in *sulki1* and
307 Cas9-*r8* suppress *Ler/Kas-2* NIL defenses at both temperatures. A suppressive effect was
308 observed in Cas9-*r2*, Cas9-*r3*, and Cas9-*r4* mutants only at 20 - 22 °C, consistent with their
309 partial suppression of immune-related HI. No differences were detected between lines in
310 response to *Pst hrcC* at either temperature (**Fig. 5**). Notably, mutation in *RPP1-like Ler R8* did
311 not lead to full susceptibility of the *eds1-2* mutant at both temperatures (**Fig. 5**). From these
312 results, we concluded that suppression of *RPP1-like Ler R8* function does not lead to a general
313 dampening of basal defenses against *Pst* bacteria.

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315 **Gene expression analyses**

316 To determine the effect of *sulki1* mutations suppressing immune-related HI on global
317 expression profiles, we performed RNA-seq analyses in *sulki1-8*, the *Ler/Kas-2* NIL, and *Kas-2*

318 plants grown at 14 - 16°C. A total of 9564 genes exhibited significant expression differences
319 (fold-change ≥ 2 ; p -value and FDR ≤ 0.05) in the comparison between Kas-2 and *Ler*/Kas-2
320 NIL (**Fig. 6 and Supplemental Tables 2-1 and 2-2**). Of these, 5882 genes (61.5 %) were
321 common between *sulki1-8* and *Ler*/Kas-2 NIL. Gene ontology analysis of these common genes
322 revealed an enrichment of stress-related terms (**Supplemental Table 2-2**). These genes
323 represent transcriptional responses associated with incompatibility, which are suppressed in
324 *sulki1-8*. However, 3682 other genes were still differentially expressed in the comparison
325 between Kas-2 and *Ler*/Kas-2 NIL. These expression changes might be due to differences in the
326 genetic background between Kas-2 and the *Ler*/Kas-2 NIL not associated with incompatibility
327 (**Supplemental Table 2-1**). Gene ontology analysis in this subset of genes identified an
328 enrichment of nitrogen metabolism-related terms (**Supplemental Table 2-1**). Finally, RNA-seq
329 analysis identified 622 other genes differentially expressed in *sulki1-8* vs *Ler*/Kas-2 NIL that
330 did not show significant expression differences in Kas-2 vs *Ler*/Kas-2 NIL. These *sulki1-8*-
331 specific genes were related to oxidation-reduction based on gene ontology (**Supplemental**
332 **Table 2-3**).

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335 **Global metabolite profiling**

336 We determined the effects of *sulki1* mutations on primary metabolism through global metabolite
337 profiling by GC/MS in *Ler*/Kas-2 NIL, *sulki1* (*sulki1-1*, *sulki1-7*, *sulki1-8*, and *sulki1-9*) and the
338 parents (*Ler* and Kas-2) at 14 - 16°C. The metabolomics analysis identified 57 metabolites in
339 the analyzed samples, 36 of which were consistently detected in all genotypes and used for
340 principal component analysis (PCA) (**Fig. 7A**). The nature of 23 of these 36 metabolites was
341 known and annotated according to the MPIMP-Golm inventory list (Kopka et al., 2005).
342 Among the identified metabolites, we detected amino acids, polyhydroxy acids, sugars, and
343 TCA cycle intermediates (**Supplemental Table 3**). In the PCA analysis, PC1 explained 50.3%
344 of the total variance and differentiated between the incompatible *Ler*/Kas-2 NIL and other
345 genotypes. PC1 indicated that the *sulki1* mutations cause a reversal of a large part of the altered
346 primary metabolome in *Ler*/Kas-2 NIL to *Ler* or Kas-2 parent levels. This metabolic reversal
347 was consistent with suppression of the dwarf phenotype (**Figure 2**), the absence of cell death at
348 low temperature (**Supplemental Figure 1B**), and deactivation of transcriptional defense
349 responses (**Figure 3**) in the *sulki* mutants. Conversely, PC2 (21.9 % of the total variance)
350 revealed that some metabolic differences remained between *sulki1* mutants or *Ler*/Kas-2 NIL
351 and the parents (**Fig. 7A and Supplemental Table 4**).

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353 Hierarchical cluster analysis (HCA) with Pearson's correlation and average linkage of
354 metabolites and genotypes identified metabolic differences between the strongly deviating

355 *Ler/Kas-2* NIL, the parents, and the *sulki1* mutants (**Fig. 7B**). The heat map representation
356 indicated a large cluster of metabolites that differentially accumulated in *Ler/Kas-2* NIL (**Fig.**
357 **7B**). Compared with *Ler* and *Kas-2*, the incompatible *Ler/Kas-2* NIL accumulated amino acids,
358 such as glutamine/pyroglutamate, aspartate, threonine, or alanine, lipid-related phosphate,
359 glycerol, ethanolamine, carbohydrate metabolism related glyceric acid, glucose-6P, and sucrose
360 (**Fig. 7C**). The levels of ascorbate, a substrate of the glutathione-ascorbate cycle for hydrogen
361 peroxide detoxification, were much lower in *Ler/Kas-2* NIL than in the isogenic *Kas-2*,
362 consistent with the occurrence of oxidative stress induced by HI. On the other hand,
363 dehydroascorbate levels were similar in the two genotypes. These metabolic changes appear to
364 be associated with HI, specifically with growth reduction in combination with metabolic
365 recycling caused by the increased frequency of cell death in *Ler/Kas-2* NIL leaf tissue.

366 As expected, most metabolic reprogramming associated with HI was reverted in *sulki1* mutants
367 to *Kas-2* levels, *e.g.*, ascorbate, sucrose, phosphate, glycerol, aspartate,
368 glutamine/pyroglutamate, and threonine (**Fig. 7C**). However, *sulki1* mutants exhibited
369 metabolic changes that differed from *Ler/Kas-2* NIL, *Ler* or *Kas-2* (**Fig. 7C**). These changes in
370 the *sulki1* mutants might be linked to *RPP1-like Ler R8*-independent transcriptional defense
371 activation (**Figure 6**). Levels of glutamate, aspartate, threonine, alanine, and dehydroascorbate
372 were lower than in the parents. In parallel, glucose and fructose levels were consistently higher
373 in *sulki1-1*, *sulki1-7*, *sulki1-8*, and *sulki1-9* compared to the parents *Ler*, *Kas-2*, and the
374 incompatible *Ler/Kas-2* NIL. However, such differences were not observed in the levels of
375 sucrose or glucose-6P (**Fig. 7C**). Quantification of starch at the end of the day (light) and before
376 dawn (dark) in the above genotypes indicated the lower capacity of *Ler/Kas-2* NIL to
377 accumulate starch during the day, although its levels were not depleted at dawn (**Supplemental**
378 **Fig. 8**). Interestingly, the *Ler/Kas-2* NIL also exhibited higher apoplastic invertase activity than
379 *Ler*, *Kas-2* or *sulki1*, whereas vacuolar invertase was barely affected (**Supplemental Fig. 9**).

380 These results can be explained by the suggested role of cell wall invertase in plant defense
381 (Tauzin and Giardina, 2014). The absence of glucose or fructose accumulation in the *Ler/Kas-2*
382 NIL, despite the presence of high apoplastic invertase activity, suggests the use of carbohydrates
383 in the biosynthesis of secondary metabolites involved in defense or cell wall strengthening.
384 These demands might contribute to the metabolic costs of diverting resources away from
385 growth in the *Ler/Kas-2* NIL.

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387 Altogether, global metabolite profiling confirmed a physiological reversal of the *Ler/Kas-2* HI
388 metabolic phenotype in *sulki1*. It also reinforced *RPP1-like Ler R8*-independent responses at a
389 metabolic level that were indicated by transcriptome profiling (**Figure 6**). We concluded that
390 the *Ler/Kas-2* incompatible hybrids are growth inhibited, but that this inhibition is likely not
391 due to limited C-, N-, or P-resources.

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393 **Characterization of a pathogenic *Hpa* isolate in the *Arabidopsis* Gorzów population**

394 Previously, we collected a population of *Ler* relatives (Gw) in Gorzów Wielkopolski (Poland),
395 in which 30% of individuals carried a conserved *RPP1-like Ler* haplotype (Alcázar et al., 2014).
396 In 2014, we revisited the population site and isolated *Hpa* naturally infecting Gw plants, for
397 which a basic population structure was already established (Alcázar et al., 2014). *Hpa* was
398 found sporulating on cauline leaves of the susceptible genotype Gw-16. We refer to this local
399 oomycete as *Hpa* Gw, which was propagated as a mass conidiospore culture from a single plant.
400 The *Hpa ATR1* gene, encoding an effector recognized by certain *RPP1-like* TNL receptors, was
401 used to establish a phylogenetic relationship between *Hpa* Gw and other known *Hpa* isolates.
402 Sequencing of *ATR1* from *Hpa* Gw did not identify segregating polymorphisms within this
403 population, which would be indicative of mixed *Hpa* populations. *Hpa* Gw was found to be
404 more related to *Hpa* isolate Cala2 and Emwal than other *Hpa* isolates (**Supplemental Fig. 10**).

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406 Examination of *Hpa* Gw disease resistance in 40 genetically different *Arabidopsis* Gw lines
407 identified seven genotypes (17.5 %) that were susceptible to *Hpa* Gw (e.g., Gw-16 in
408 **Supplemental Fig. 11; Supplemental Table 5**). The remaining genotypes, as well as *Ler*, Col-
409 0, Kas-2, *Ler/Kas-2* NIL, and cNIL (Alcázar et al., 2010) exhibited a hypersensitive response
410 (HR) indicative of resistance to *Hpa* Gw infection and consistent with host *RPP*-mediated
411 pathogen recognition (**Supplemental Fig. 11**). T-DNA insertion mutants of *RPP1* and *RPP1-*
412 *like* genes in Col-0 *At3g44400* (N632237 and N518157), *At3g44480* (N599581 and N655327),
413 *At3g44630* (N644159 and N658450), and *At3g44670* (N529707 and N477722) did not support
414 the growth of *Hpa* Gw and exhibited HR (**Supplemental Fig. 11**). Susceptible and resistant Gw
415 genotypes were not differentiated from each other in PCA analyses based on 134 genome-wide
416 distributed SNP (Alcázar et al., 2014) (**Supplemental Fig. 12**). Notably, however, all genotypes
417 carrying the conserved *RPP1-like Ler* haplotype were resistant to *Hpa* Gw infection
418 (**Supplemental Fig. 12 and Supplemental Table 5**). Despite this, resistance is not strictly
419 associated with the presence of an *RPP1-like Ler* haplotype because it is expressed in
420 accessions that do not carry the haplotype (e.g., Col-0).

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422 **Effect of suppressive mutations on *Hpa* Gw disease resistance in *Ler/Kas-2* NIL**

423 Next, we studied the effect of the *Ler/Kas-2* HI suppressor (*sulki*) mutations on resistance to the
424 local *Hpa* Gw isolate in the *Ler/Kas-2* NIL. For this, we inoculated Cas9-*r2*, Cas9-*r3*, Cas9-*r4*,
425 Cas9-*r8*, *sulki1* (*sulki1-3*, *sulki1-7*, *sulki1-8*, and *sulki1-9*), *sulki2-1*, and *nde1-3*, which carries a
426 deletion between *RPP1-like R3-R8 Ler* genes (Stuttman et al., 2016). Resistance to *Hpa* Gw
427 was observed in all genotypes tested (**Supplemental Fig. 11**). We concluded that mutations

428 suppressing *Ler/Kas-2* incompatibility do not compromise disease resistance to a local *Hpa*
429 isolate.

430

431 **Analysis of ATR1 Gw recognition by RPP1-like *Ler* proteins in *N. tabacum***

432 RPP1-like TNL receptors directly recognizing ATR1 effector variants from different *Hpa*
433 isolates have been characterized (Rehmany et al., 2005; Sohn et al., 2007; Krasileva et al.,
434 2010). We determined the capacity of TNL RPP1-like *Ler* R2, R3, R4, and R8 proteins to
435 recognize ATR1 cloned from Gw leading to cell death in *Nicotiana tabacum* transient
436 expression assays. For this, C-terminal YFP fusions of *RPP1-like Ler* R2, R3, R4, R8 genomic
437 constructs, and ATR1- δ 51 *Hpa* Gw (lacking the ATR1 secretory signal peptide) (Steinbrenner
438 et al., 2015) were generated for *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* infiltration of tobacco leaves.
439 Accumulation of *RPP1-like Ler* R3 protein over a threshold triggered cell death in *N. tabacum*
440 leaves (**Fig. 8A**), consistent with *Ler/Kas-2* NIL phenotypes induced by *R3* overexpression in
441 *Arabidopsis* (Alcázar et al., 2014), and its involvement in *Ler/Kas-2* immune-related HI (**Fig.**
442 **4**). However, 1:1 co-infiltration of δ 51-ATR1 *Hpa* Gw with *RPP1-like Ler* R2, R3, R4 or R8,
443 which resulted in lower but detectable RPP1 protein expression in *N. tabacum* leaves, did not
444 induce cell death (**Fig. 8B**). These results suggest that ATR1 *Hpa* Gw is not recognized by any
445 of the RPP1-like *Ler* variants tested.

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447 ***Hpa* Gw disease resistance is independent of *EDS1* and *ICSI*-generated SA**

448 We tested whether resistance to *Hpa* Gw was compromised in *eds1-2* (Col-0) (Bartsch et al.,
449 2006), *eds1-2* (*Ler*) (Feys et al., 2005), the SA-deficient *ISOCHORISMATE SYNTHASE 1 sid2-*
450 *1* mutant (Col-0) (Wildermuth et al., 2001), or *Ler-NahG* transgenic plants that metabolize SA
451 into catechol (Bowling et al., 1994). Neither *eds1-2* nor SA depletion affected resistance to *Hpa*
452 Gw (**Supplemental Fig. 11**). Because *TNL* immunity relies on *EDS1* (Aarts et al., 1998; Feys et
453 al., 2001; Feys et al., 2005) and the *RPP1-like Ler* locus only contains *TNL* genes (Alcázar et
454 al., 2009), we reasoned that resistance to *Hpa* Gw is governed by other *RPP* loci in the genome.

455

456 **Mapping of *Hpa* Gw disease resistance**

457 Whereas *Ler* is resistant to *Hpa* Gw, we found that the Shadara (Sha) accession is susceptible,
458 which enabled us to exploit a *Ler*/Sha recombinant inbred line (RIL) population (Clerkx et al.,
459 2004) in QTL mapping of *Hpa* Gw resistance loci (**Supplemental Table 6**). QTL analyses
460 identified one major-effect QTL on chromosome 1 explaining 52% of the phenotypic variation,
461 with *Ler* alleles contributing most resistance to isolate *Hpa* Gw. *Ler*/Sha RILs carrying Sha
462 alleles at this QTL, but *Ler* alleles at the *RPP1-like* locus, were susceptible to *Hpa* Gw infection
463 (**Supplemental Table 6**). Therefore, the *RPP1-like Ler* locus does not confer resistance to *Hpa*
464 Gw. The QTL spanned 2.83 Mb between markers F6D8-94 and GENE. This region contains

465 at least nine *CNL* genes, among them *RPP7* (*At1g58602*, **Supplemental Table 7**), which was
466 reported to confer resistance to *Hpa* isolate Hiks1 in an SA- and *EDS1*- independent manner
467 (McDowell et al., 2000) (**Fig. 9A**). Therefore, we consider *RPP7* as a strong candidate gene in
468 *Ler* resistance to *Hpa* Gw.

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470 In addition to QTL analyses, we performed GWAS mapping using 288 Arabidopsis accessions
471 distributed worldwide. Of the total phenotyped accessions, 78 (27%) were susceptible to *Hpa*
472 Gw infection. Disease resistance phenotypes did not follow obvious geographical or population
473 structure patterns, and segregated between and within populations (**Supplemental Table 8**).
474 GWAS analysis for *Hpa* Gw disease resistance identified a significant association with multiple
475 SNP belonging to gene *At3g24580*, encoding an F-box protein of unknown function (**Fig. 9B**
476 **and Supplemental Table 9**). However, no genetic variation at *At3g24580* was found between
477 *Hpa* Gw resistant (Gw-30, Gw-31, Gw-112, Gw-127 and Gw-144) and susceptible (Gw-16,
478 Gw-50, Gw-107, Gw-148, and Gw-167) genotypes, which all carried *At3g24580* Col-0 alleles
479 (**Supplemental Table 5**). We concluded that *At3g24580* does not condition differences in
480 disease resistance to *Hpa* Gw in the Gorzów population, although its epistatic interaction with
481 other genes cannot be excluded in other genetic backgrounds. Together, the QTL and GWAS
482 mapping identified candidate *RPP* genes outside the *RPP1-like* locus as conferring resistance to
483 *Hpa* Gw.

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486 **DISCUSSION**

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488 Epistasis, defined as the non-additive interaction between mutations, is the basis for many post-
489 zygotic immune-related HI in plants (Bomblies, 2010). The environment can affect the
490 consequences of epistasis on fitness (Flynn et al., 2013). Indeed, growth defects in *Ler/Kas-2*
491 NIL at 14 - 16°C are suppressed at 20 - 22 °C (Alcázar et al., 2009), a temperature at which
492 basal disease resistance to *Pst* DC3000 is retained (**Fig. 5**). HI is not the result of direct action
493 by natural selection but rather a byproduct of divergence through evolutionary processes acting
494 on other traits (Coyne and Orr, 2004). Selective forces acting on *R* genes involve arms races
495 between plants and pathogens, in addition to environmental factors (Dodds and Rathjen, 2010;
496 Ariga et al., 2017). Such divergence might thus be shaped by adaptation to different
497 environments (ecological speciation) or through different pathways within the same
498 environment (Sherlock et al., 2017). Adaptive mutations increasing fitness can be retrieved by
499 experimental evolution, an approach facilitated by the study of microbial populations during
500 multiple generations. In yeast, adaptation to divergent and identical environments has been
501 shown to promote the emergence of reproductive isolation (Dettman et al., 2007; Ono et al.,

502 2017). However, the intrinsic lethal nature of incompatible hybrids hinders the identification of
503 potential mutations suppressing negative epistasis. Here, we circumvented this limitation by
504 inducing random and CRISPR/Cas9-guided mutagenesis in a large population of *Ler/Kas-2* NIL
505 plants. Through this approach, we identified *RPP1* intragenic mutations that suppress *Ler/Kas-2*
506 immune-related HI and observed different degrees of phenotypic adaptation.

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508 The mutagenesis screen identified a large number of intragenic *suppressors of Ler/Kas-2*
509 *incompatibility (sulki)* mapping to *RPP1-like Ler R8 (sulki1-1 to sulki1-10)* and one mutation
510 mapping to *RPP1-like Ler R3 (sulki2-1)* that suppressed HI (**Fig. 2**). Due to the presence of
511 moderate suppressor phenotypes in the EMS population, we reasoned that intragenic mutations
512 leading to intermediate phenotypes might have been overlooked, including mutations in other
513 potential *RPP1-like R3* alleles. Therefore, to provide a comprehensive analysis of the *RPP1-like*
514 *Ler* locus, we mutated each *RPP1-like Ler* TNL encoding gene by CRISPR/Cas9 in the
515 *Ler/Kas-2* NIL background (Cas9-*r2*, Cas9-*r3*, Cas9-*r4*, and Cas9-*r8*) and studied the effects of
516 the mutations on growth, cell death, gene expression, and disease resistance. EMS and
517 CRISPR/Cas9 mutagenesis revealed epistatic interactions between *RPP1-like Ler R8* and other
518 *RPP1-like Ler* members (*R2*, *R3*, and *R4*), with the latter contributing additively to immune-
519 related HI (**Fig. 4**). These results are consistent with the involvement of two or more *RPP1-like*
520 genes in *Ler/Kas-2* incompatibility and suggest co-action between *RPP1-like* members for
521 defense activation in *Arabidopsis* (Alcázar et al., 2014). The dominant nature of *RPP1-like Ler*
522 *R8* loss-of-function mutations suggests that a certain dosage of incompatible RPP1-like protein
523 is required for the autoimmunity phenotype, and loss-of-function alleles in *RPP1-like Ler R8*
524 lower this dosage below a critical level when heterozygous. This might also explain the
525 recessive nature of the *RPP1-like* haplotype in *Ler/Kas-2* immune-related HI (Alcázar et al.,
526 2009; Alcázar et al., 2014).

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528 *Ler/Kas-2* HI suppressor mutations mapped to different domains of *RPP1-like Ler R8* (**Fig. 1**).
529 The different mutations behaved like Cas9-*r8* loss-of-function alleles, indicating that *sulki*
530 mutations disrupt *RPP1-like Ler R8* function in *Ler/Kas-2* HI (**Fig. 4**). RNA-seq analyses in
531 *sulki1-8* show that many transcriptional changes in incompatible *Ler/Kas-2* hybrids are
532 suppressed by *RPP1-like Ler R8* mutation. However, the expression of other genes related with
533 oxidation-reduction was modified in *sulki1-8* mutants compared to its isogenic *Kas-2* genotype
534 (**Fig. 6 and Supplemental Tables 2-1 to 2-3**). The occurrence of these *RPP1-like Ler R8*-
535 independent expression sectors supports a multigenic basis for the *RPP1-like Ler* incompatible
536 haplotype. Importantly, such expression sectors alone are not sufficient to trigger
537 incompatibility, which requires a functional R8 protein.

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539 Most *sulki1* suppressor mutations in *RPP1-like Ler R8* were found in NB or LRR domain
540 conserved motifs and invariable residues. The NB-ARC domain is involved in nucleotide
541 binding and hydrolysis and acts as a molecular switch for NLR activation (van Ooijen et al.,
542 2008; Takken and Goverse, 2012). The NB-ARC is required for RPP1 self-association and cell
543 death activation, probably assisted by TIR-TIR interactions (Schreiber et al., 2016). The LRR
544 domain of TNL proteins is often involved in effector recognition, inducing a conformational
545 change that switches the protein to an active state (van Ooijen et al., 2008; Takken and Goverse,
546 2012; Steinbrenner et al., 2015). Non-synonymous substitutions in the LRR domain of *DM2h*
547 *Bla-1* are responsible for incompatibility with *DMI Hh-0*. Certain ATR1 alleles from *Hpa*
548 isolates are recognized by the LRR domain of *RPP1 Ws-0* and *Nd-1* (Krasileva et al., 2010;
549 Steinbrenner et al., 2015). The identification of *DM2h Bla-1* incompatible-trigger mutations in
550 the *LQQL* motif of LRR4, next to a modeled ATR1 docking site, suggested that incompatible
551 *RPP1* variants originate from an arms race between the immune receptor and pathogen ligands
552 (Chae et al., 2014). Notably, the *sulki1-9* mutation (R821H) in LRR5 of *RPP1-like R8 Ler* is
553 adjacent to this *LQQL* motif (**Fig. 1**). A frameshift mutation in LRR2 of *RPP1-like Ler R8* in
554 the *nde1-1* (*near death experience1-1*) mutant also suppresses incompatibility with *Kas-2*. The
555 *nde1-1* mutant was isolated from a suppressor screen for autoimmune phenotypes associated
556 with EDS1 nuclear enrichment and suggested a role for *RPP1-like Ler R8* in EDS1/PAD4
557 defense amplification (Stuttman et al., 2016). Thus, polymorphism at the LRR domain of
558 *RPP1-like Ler R8* and its homolog in *Bla-1 (DM2h)* seems to be relevant for incompatibility
559 (Chae et al., 2014; Stuttman et al., 2016).

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561 Here, we find that mutations in the TIR domains of *RPP1-like Ler R3* and *R8* also suppress
562 *Ler/Kas-2* immune-related HI (**Fig. 1**). The TIR domain is necessary for receptor signaling, and
563 in some TNLs, including *RPP1*, this domain self-associates and is sufficient for triggering cell
564 death (Swiderski et al., 2009; Bernoux et al., 2011; Williams et al., 2014; Steinbrenner et al.,
565 2015; Schreiber et al., 2016; Zhang et al., 2017). Whether *sulki1-1* and *sulki2-1* mutations
566 disrupt potential self-association of *RPP1-like Ler R3* or *R8* proteins needs to be determined.

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568 We investigated whether the *RPP1 Ler* genes contributing to HI also participate in *Hpa Gw*
569 recognition (Krasileva et al., 2010; Steinbrenner et al., 2015). Our analysis, using a local *Hpa*
570 *Gw* isolate, indicated that the incompatible *RPP1 Ler* haplotype does not contribute to disease
571 resistance to this local pathogen and that the resistance is SA- and *EDS1*-independent
572 (**Supplemental Fig. 11**). Furthermore, we found that co-expression of *RPP1-like Ler R2*, *R3*,
573 *R4* or *R8* proteins with ATR1-851 *Hpa Gw* did not trigger HR in *N. tabacum* transient
574 expression assays (**Fig. 8B**). Moreover, QTL mapping in the *Ler/Sha* RIL population identified
575 a major QTL on chromosome 1 that contained *Ler* alleles contributing to resistance (**Fig. 9A**).

576 The QTL interval spanned several *R* genes including *RPP7*, a known *CNL* gene governing
577 resistance to the *Hpa* Hiks1 isolate in an SA- and *EDS1*-independent manner (McDowell et al.,
578 2000) (**Supplemental Table 7**). From these data, we concluded that the incompatible *RPP1-like*
579 *Ler* haplotype does not contribute to disease resistance to a local *Hpa* isolate. Also, intragenic
580 mutations suppressing *Ler/Kas-2* incompatibility do not incur on a fitness cost in terms of *Hpa*
581 resistance (**Supplemental Fig. 11**). However, such mutations dampen disease resistance to *Pst*
582 DC3000 of the *Ler/Kas-2* NIL at 20–22 °C (**Fig. 5**), which might represent a trade-off between
583 growth and basal defenses against virulent leaf-colonizing *Pseudomonas* bacteria.

584

585 *Hpa* populations might have diverged or even been extinguished since the birth of the *RPP1-*
586 *like Ler* haplotype, which was already present in the Gorzów population in 1939 (Alcázar et al.,
587 2014). Thus, the contemporary *Hpa* Gw isolate might not represent a selective force for the
588 *RPP1-like Ler* incompatible haplotype. However, fine-tuning *RPP1-like Ler R3* expression may
589 benefit disease resistance to other pathogenic strains (Alcázar et al., 2014), thereby favoring
590 selection of the incompatible haplotype. Interestingly, *RPP1-like Ler R3* and *R4* are homologs
591 of *At3g44400* Col-0 (Alcázar et al., 2014) and whole-genome sequencing revealed the absence
592 of *At3g44400* Col-0 gene in *Ler* (**Supplemental Fig. 13**). This suggests that *RPP1-like R3* and
593 *R4* in *Ler* are derived from a gene transposition and duplication event from *At3g44400*, during
594 the formation of the incompatible *RPP1-like* haplotype.

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596 Incompatible *Ler/Kas-2* NIL plants exhibit metabolic hallmarks of HI which can be explained
597 by a combination of growth arrest and metabolic recycling of material from dead or dying leaf
598 cells. Recycling likely also involves proteolysis and triglyceride degradation accompanied by
599 oxidative stress (**Fig. 7C**). We further detected a promotion of sucrose degradation through cell
600 wall invertase, but not vacuolar invertase activities (**Supplemental Fig. 9**). Activation of cell
601 wall invertase is triggered by defense responses to various pathogens, including oomycetes and
602 bacteria (Tauzin and Giardina, 2014). Glucose and fructose can be used as carbon sources for
603 the biosynthesis of defense-related metabolites, potentially leading to a metabolic cost that
604 reduces growth in the dwarf *Ler/Kas-2* NIL (Bolton, 2009). Remarkably, these metabolic costs
605 are fully suppressed in *sulki1* mutants, which also suppress oxidative stress symptoms.
606 Nevertheless, *sulki1* mutants accumulate higher levels of glucose, fructose, and starch than the
607 *Ler/Kas-2* NIL (**Fig. 7C**), possibly due to *RPP1-like Ler R8*-independent transcriptional
608 activation of defense responses.

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610 Our data shed light on the complex genetic nature of the *RPP1-like Ler* locus triggering
611 incompatibility with *Kas-2*. Through random and guided mutagenesis, mutations can be

612 generated that mitigate fitness costs of *Ler/Kas-2* HI, while retaining resistance to a local *Hpa*
613 Gw isolate. However, trade-offs are also inherent to such compensatory mutations.

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616 **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

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618 **Plant material and growth conditions**

619 A complete list of *Arabidopsis thaliana* accessions used in this study is provided in
620 **Supplemental Table 8**. Seeds were obtained from the Nottingham Arabidopsis Stock Center
621 (NASC) or collected by authors (Alcázar et al., 2014). The incompatible *Ler/Kas-2* NIL and
622 cNIL used in this study were described before (Alcázar et al., 2009; Alcázar et al., 2010). Plants
623 were grown on soil at indicated temperatures under 12 h dark /12 h light cycles and 70%
624 relative humidity and 120 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ of light intensity.

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626 **EMS mutagenesis**

627 Seeds of *Ler/Kas-2* NIL were soaked overnight in 1 mg/ml KCl at 4°C. After seed imbibition,
628 the solution was discarded and replaced with 0.2 % EMS (v/v) and incubated for 16 h. Seeds
629 were then washed ten times with 50 ml of water and suspended in 0.1 % agarose for sowing on
630 soil. Approximately 25,000 M_1 plants were allowed to self at 20 – 22°C. M_2 seeds were
631 collected in pools of 100 to 150 M_1 plants. M_2 plants were grown at 14 – 16°C to identify
632 suppressors of *Ler/Kas-2* incompatibility (*sulki*).

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634 **Whole genome sequencing**

635 Genomic DNA from *Arabidopsis thaliana* plants was extracted from leaves of 5-week old
636 plants grown on soil using the CTAB method (Doyle, 1991). DNA quality was checked on 0.8
637 % agarose gel electrophoresis stained with ethidium bromide. DNA concentration was
638 determined by fluorometric quantitation using the dsDNA HS assay kit and the “*Qubit*” device
639 (Thermo Fisher). Whole genome sequencing was performed at the *Centro Nacional de Análisis*
640 *Genómico* (CNAG, Spain). A standard Illumina protocol was followed to create paired-end
641 libraries, which were run on Illumina sequencers HiSeq3000/4000 2x150 according to standard
642 procedures. Sample statistics are shown in **Supplemental Table 10**. Read mapping and variant
643 detection were performed using the *CLC Genomics Workbench 10 version 10.1.1* (Qiagen).

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645 **RT-qPCR expression analyses**

646 Total RNA was extracted using *TRIzol* reagent (Termo Fisher). Reverse transcription and
647 quantitative real-time PCR was performed as described (Alcázar et al., 2014). A complete list of
648 primers used for expression analyses is reported in (Alcázar et al., 2014).

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650 **RNA-seq expression analyses**

651 Total RNA was extracted from fully expanded leaves of 5-week-old *sulki1-8*, Kas-2, and
652 *Ler/Kas-2* NIL plants grown at 14 - 16°C. Three biological replicates, each from pooled leaves
653 of at least three independent plants grown in individual pots were used for the analysis. Total
654 RNA was extracted using *TriZol* (Thermo Fisher) and quantified in a *Nanodrop ND-1000*
655 spectrophotometer, and checked for purity and integrity in a *Bioanalyzer-2100* device (Agilent
656 Technologies). RNA samples were further processed by the *Centro Nacional de Análisis*
657 *Genómico* (CNAG, Spain) for library preparation and RNA sequencing. Libraries were prepared
658 using the Illumina *TruSeq Sample Preparation Kit* according to manufacturer's instructions.
659 Each library was paired-end sequenced (2 x 75 bp) on HiSeq2000 Illumina sequencers. Sample
660 statistics are shown in **Supplemental Table 10**. Read mapping and expression analyses were
661 performed using the *CLC Genomics Workbench 10 version 10.1.1* (Qiagen). Only significant
662 expression differences (fold-change ≥ 2 ; *p*-value and FDR ≤ 0.05) were considered.

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664 **CRISPR/Cas9 mutagenesis**

665 To identify specific PAM motifs in *RPP1-like Ler* genes, their sequences were aligned using
666 Multiple Sequence Comparison by Log-Expectation (MUSCLE,
667 <http://www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/msa/muscle/>) and unique NGG motifs identified in TIR or NB
668 domains of *RPP1-like Ler R2*, *R3*, *R4*, and *R8*. Generation of CRISPR/Cas9 lines was based on
669 the system reported by (Fauser et al., 2014). Spacers were designed next to unique PAM sites,
670 and annealed oligonucleotides containing *BbsI* sites were used for the generation of customized
671 RNA chimeras in the pEn-Chimera vector (**Supplemental Table 11**). The customized RNA
672 chimeras were transferred into pDe-CAS9 by Gateway LR reaction (ThermoFischer). The final
673 clones were sequenced and transformed into *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* GV3101 pMP90.
674 *Ler/Kas-2* NIL plants were transformed by floral dipping and transgenic lines isolated by
675 selection with 20 $\mu\text{g/ml}$ glufosinate-ammonium (Sigma Aldrich). Individual lines were checked
676 for the presence of indel mutations by SANGER sequencing of all *RPP1-like Ler* genes
677 (Alcázar et al., 2014), crossed to *Ler/Kas-2* NIL and Cas9-free homozygous mutants isolated in
678 the F₂ by gene sequencing and Cas9 genotyping (**Supplemental Table 11**).

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680 **Histochemical analyses and determination of leaf area.**

681 Plant cell death and *Hpa* structures were determined by staining leaves with lactophenol trypan
682 blue (Alcázar et al., 2009). Samples were mounted on glycerol 70 % and observed under light
683 microscope (Axioplan, Carl Zeiss) coupled to a Leica DFC490 digital camera. Leaf area was
684 quantified using Image Pro Analyzer (Media Cybernetics, Inc.) as reported in (Alcázar et al.,
685 2009).

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687 **Isolation of *Hyaloperonospora arabidopsidis* Gw and pathogen inoculation assays.**

688 Original spores from *Hyaloperonospora arabidopsidis* Gw were collected from the Gw-16
689 accession naturally growing in the Gorzów population during spring of 2014. Spores were
690 resuspended in 100 µl of water and inoculated on the susceptible Ws *eds1-1* genotype (Falk et
691 al., 1999). Thereafter, the *Hpa* Gw isolate has been maintained by weekly propagation on the
692 susceptible Gw-16 accession. *Hpa* inoculation assays were performed as described in (Alcázar
693 et al., 2009). *Pseudomonas syringae* spray-inoculation and growth quantitation assays were
694 performed as described in (Alcázar et al., 2010).

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696 **Cloning of *ATR1***

697 The genomic DNA from *Hpa* Gw mass conidiospores was extracted using TriZol (Thermo
698 Fisher) and used for PCR amplification of *ATR1* gene using primer combinations listed in
699 **Supplemental Table 11** (Rehmany et al., 2005). The PCR product was treated with ExoSap
700 (Thermo Fisher) and sequenced by SANGER with primers described in **Supplemental Table**
701 **11**.

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703 **Global metabolite profiling**

704 Metabolite profiling was performed from leaf samples (120 mg) using at least 10 biological
705 replicates. Polar primary metabolite extraction and gas chromatography coupled to electron
706 impact ionization-time of flight-mass spectrometry (GC/EI-TOF-MS) analysis was performed
707 as described (Zarza et al., 2017). Only metabolites identified in all genotypes and at least 8 of
708 10 replicates were considered. Normalized values are referred to the internal standard. Principal
709 component analysis was determined using *R* (www.r-project.org). HCA with Pearson
710 correlation was obtained using the MultiExperiment Viewer software (www.tm4.org/mev;
711 version 27 4.8.1).

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713 **Starch quantification**

714 The entire shoot of 5-week-old plants was used for the analyses. Samples were harvested 1 h
715 before the end of the light or dark periods. Starch levels were quantified according to (Smith
716 and Zeeman, 2006) using at least five biological replicates per genotype.

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718 **Invertase activities**

719 Cell-wall-bound and soluble acid invertase activities were performed according to (Appeldoorn
720 et al., 1997) from leaves of 5-week-old *Arabidopsis* plants using at least 5 biological replicates
721 per genotype.

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723 **Transient expression assays**

724 Genomic versions of *RPP1-like Ler R2, R3, R4, and R8* were obtained by PCR amplification
725 from *Ler* gDNA using the primers combinations listed in **Supplemental Table 11**. The PCR
726 products were purified and cloned into the pSPARKII vector (Canvax). The resulting clones
727 were sequenced using primers already described (Alcázar et al., 2014) and subcloned *Sall/NotI*
728 into a modified version of pENTR1A providing gentamycin resistance. The resulting construct
729 was used for LR Gateway (Thermo Fisher) reaction with pEarley101 (Earley et al., 2006) to
730 generate C-terminus YFP-HA fusions of genomic clones under the control of the CaMV 35s
731 promoter. The different constructs were sequenced, transformed into *Agrobacterium*
732 *tumefaciens* GV3101 pMP90, and used for infiltration of *Nicotiana tabacum* (Samsun, SNN)
733 leaves. Transformed agrobacteria were inoculated into 30 ml YEB media and incubated shaking
734 at 250 rpm and 28 °C overnight. Cultures were centrifuged at 4,000 g for 5 min and resuspended
735 on 10 mM MgCl₂ and 10 mM MES pH 5.6 to an OD₆₀₀ = 0.45. For induction of agrobacteria
736 virulence, 150 μM acetosyringone was added to the cells for 3 h. Discs from inoculated leaves
737 were collected at indicated time points using a cork borer (1.2 cm diameter) and frozen
738 immediately in liquid nitrogen. Pictures were taken at indicated time points with a Canon EOS
739 450D digital camera.

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741 **Western blot analysis**

742 Frozen samples were disrupted in 1.5 ml tubes along with 1 mm glass beads in a homogenizer
743 device. Samples were suspended on 200 μl of protein extraction buffer (0.24 M Tris pH 6.8, 6
744 % SDS, 30 % glycerol, 16 % 2-mercaptoethanol, 0.01 % bromophenol blue and 10 M urea),
745 boiled for 5 min and centrifuged for 5 min at 12,000 g. The supernatant was then transferred to
746 a new tube. 15 μl were used for 8 % SDS-PAGE electrophoresis and transferred by blotting to a
747 PVDF membrane. Anti-GFP monoclonal antibody (clones 7.1 and 13.1) (Roche) at 1:1,000
748 dilution and rabbit-anti-mouse HRP (Sigma Aldrich) secondary antibody at 1:10,000 were used
749 for detection of YFP tagged proteins with SuperSignal West Femto Maximum Sensitivity
750 Chemiluminescent Substrate (Thermo Fisher).

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752 **QTL and GWAS mapping**

753 QTL mapping was performed using *R/qtl* with the genetic data of the *Ler/Sha* RIL population
754 from (Clerkx et al., 2004) and phenotype evaluation of *Hpa* Gw disease resistance in
755 **Supplemental Table 6**. For phenotypic evaluation, values from 0 to 2 were assigned to each
756 genotype (0, no sporulation; 1, sporulation only observed on cotyledons; 2, sporulation
757 observed in cotyledons and fully expanded leaves). LOD scores were calculated with a single-
758 QTL model implemented in *R/qtl*. LOD score significance threshold was established using
759 1,000 permutations. GWAS mapping was performed using accessions and phenotypes listed in

760 **Supplemental Table 8.** Manhattan plots were determined using 250k SNP data and the
761 accelerated mixed model (*AMM*) (Kang et al., 2010; Zhang et al., 2010) implemented in
762 GWAPP (Seren et al., 2012). To ensure adequate correction for population stratification we
763 constructed a *quantile-quantile* plot (**Supplemental Fig. 14**). A list of most significant
764 associations is found in **Supplemental Table 9**.

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766 **Accession numbers**

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768 RNA-seq data has been deposited to ArrayExpress (www.ebi.ac.uk/arrayexpress/) under
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Figure 1. *sulki1* mutations mapping to *RPP1-like R8 Ler*. **(A)** Schematic representation of non-synonymous substitutions identified in *sulki1* mutants. Exon/intron organization and Toll-interleukin receptor (TIR), nucleotide binding (NB) and leucine-rich repeat (LRR) domains are shown. **(B)** Detailed representation of *RPP1-like R8 Ler* amino acid sequence, conserved motifs (Meyers et al., 2003) and position of *sulki1* mutations.

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Figure 2. Composite image of *sulki* phenotypes. 5-week-old *sulki1*, *sulki2*, *Ler/Kas-2* NIL grown at 14 - 16°C under 12 h light / 12 h dark cycles and light intensity of 120 $\mu\text{mol/m}^2\text{sec}$.

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Figure 3. Expression of SA and oxidative stress marker genes. Quantitative reverse transcription PCR (RT-qPCR) analyses of *PR1*, *EDS1*, *GST1*, *RPP1-like Ler R2*, *R3*, *R4*, and *R8* genes in *sulki1-1 (s1-1)* to *sulki 1-10 (s1-10)*, *sulki2-1 (s2-1)*, *Ler*, *Kas-2*, *Ler/Kas-2* NIL and NIL complemented with *SRF3 Ler* (cNIL) (Alcázar et al., 2010). Values are relative to *Ler* and are the mean of three biological replicates, each with three technical replicates. Letters indicate values that are significantly different according to Student–Newman–Keuls test at *P* value <0.05. Error bars indicate standard deviation.

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Figure 4. Growth phenotypes and expression analyses of Cas9 *RPP1-like Ler* mutants. **(A)** Composite image of 5-week-old Cas9-*r2-1*, Cas9-*r3-1*, Cas9-*r4-1*, Cas9-*r8-1* mutants in the *Ler/Kas-2* NIL background, *Ler/Kas-2* NIL and parental lines (*Ler* and *Kas-2*) grown at 14 - 16°C. The position of stop codons in TIR (T) or NB (N) domains of *RPP1-like* genes is marked with an asterisk. **(B)** Gene expression analyses of *PR1*, *EDS1*, *GST1*, *RPP1-like Ler R2*, *R3*, *R4* and *R8* in Cas9 *r2-1*, *r2-2*, *r3-1*, *r3-2*, *r4-1*, *r4-2*, *r8-1* and *r8-2* mutant alleles, *Ler*, *Kas-2*, *Ler/Kas-2* NIL and cNIL plants grown at 14 - 16°C during five weeks. Analyses were performed as described in **Fig. 3**.

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Figure 5. Growth of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv tomato (*Pst*) DC3000 and *hrcC* mutant, 3 days after spray inoculation of *sulki1-1 (s1-1)*, *sulki1-7 (s1-7)*, *sulki1-8 (s1-8)*, *sulki1-9 (s1-9)*, *sulki2-1 (s2-1)*, Cas9- *r2-1*, *r3-1*, *r4-1* and *r8-1* mutants in the *Ler/Kas-2* NIL background, *Ler*, *Kas-2*, *Ler/Kas-2* NIL and *eds1-2 Ler* plants grown at 20 - 22 °C **(A)** or 14 - 16°C **(B)**. Different letters indicate significant differences (*P* < 0.01) in a Student-Newman Keuls test. Error bars indicate standard deviation.

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Figure 6. Venn diagram of genes differentially expressed in the comparisons between (*Kas-2* vs *Ler/Kas-2* NIL) and (*sulki1-8* vs *Ler/Kas-2* NIL). Lists of genes and gene ontology analyses are included in **Supplemental Tables 2-1 to 2-3**.

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Figure 7. **(A)** Principal component analysis and **(B)** Hierarchical cluster analysis (*HCA*) with Pearson's correlation and average linkage of samples and metabolites from 5-week-old *sulki1-1 (s1-1)*, *sulki1-7 (s1-7)*, *sulki1-8 (s1-8)*, *sulki1-9 (s1-9)*, *Ler*, *Kas-2*, and *Ler/Kas-2* NIL plants grown at 14 -16°C. **(C)** Log₂-normalized responses for some metabolites determined by GC/MS in the above genotypes, and schematic representation of their metabolic pathways. Different letters indicate significant differences (*P* < 0.01) in a Student-Newman Keuls test. Error bars indicate standard deviation. A complete list of analyzed metabolites is provided in **Supplemental Table 3**.

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Figure 8. Transient expression assays in *Nicotiana tabacum*. **(A)** Transient expression of genomic versions of 35s: *RPP1-like Ler R2*, *R3*, *R4*, *R8*, and ATR1- δ 51 Gw, tagged with C-terminus YFP. **(B)** Co-infiltration of *RPP1-like Ler R2*, *R3*, *R4*, *R8* with ATR1- δ 51 Gw. Pictures in **(A)** and **(B)** were taken 48 h after infiltration. Samples for western blot analyses in **(A)** and **(B)** were collected 24 h after infiltration. No symptoms of cell death were observed at later time points of co-infiltration in **(B)**.

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835 (RIL) population (Clerkx et al., 2004), see **Supplemental Table 6**. The position of *RPP7* on
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947 CRISPR/Cas9 NIL mutants, *eds1-2* (Feys et al. 2005), *nde1-1* (Stuttman et al., 2016), *Ler-*
948 *NahG* (Bowling et al, 1997), *RPP1* and *RPP1-like* mutants in Col-0: *At3g44400* (N632237,
949 N518154); *At3g44480* (N599581, N655327); *At3g44630* (N644159, N658450); *At3g44670*
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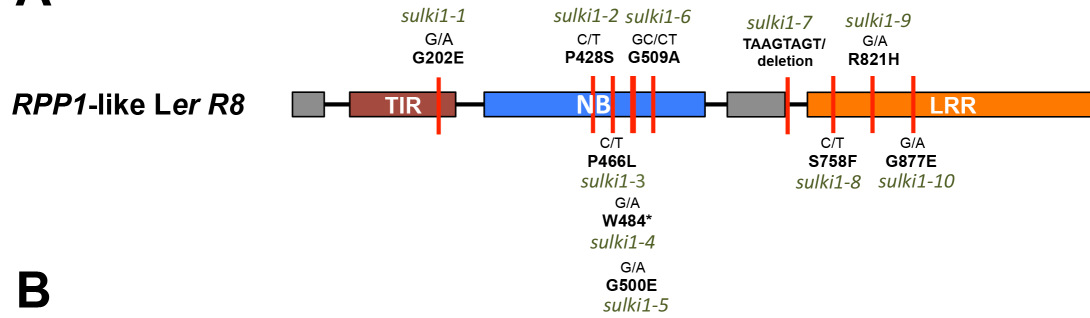
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Figure 1. *sulki1* mutations mapping to *RPP1*-like *R8 Ler*. **(A)** Schematic representation of non-synonymous substitutions identified in *sulki1* mutants. Exon/intron organization and Toll-interleukin receptor (TIR), nucleotide binding (NB) and leucine rich repeat (LRR) domains are shown. **(B)** Detailed representation of *RPP1*-like *R8 Ler* amino acid sequence, conserved motifs (Meyers et al., 2003) and position of *sulki1* mutations.

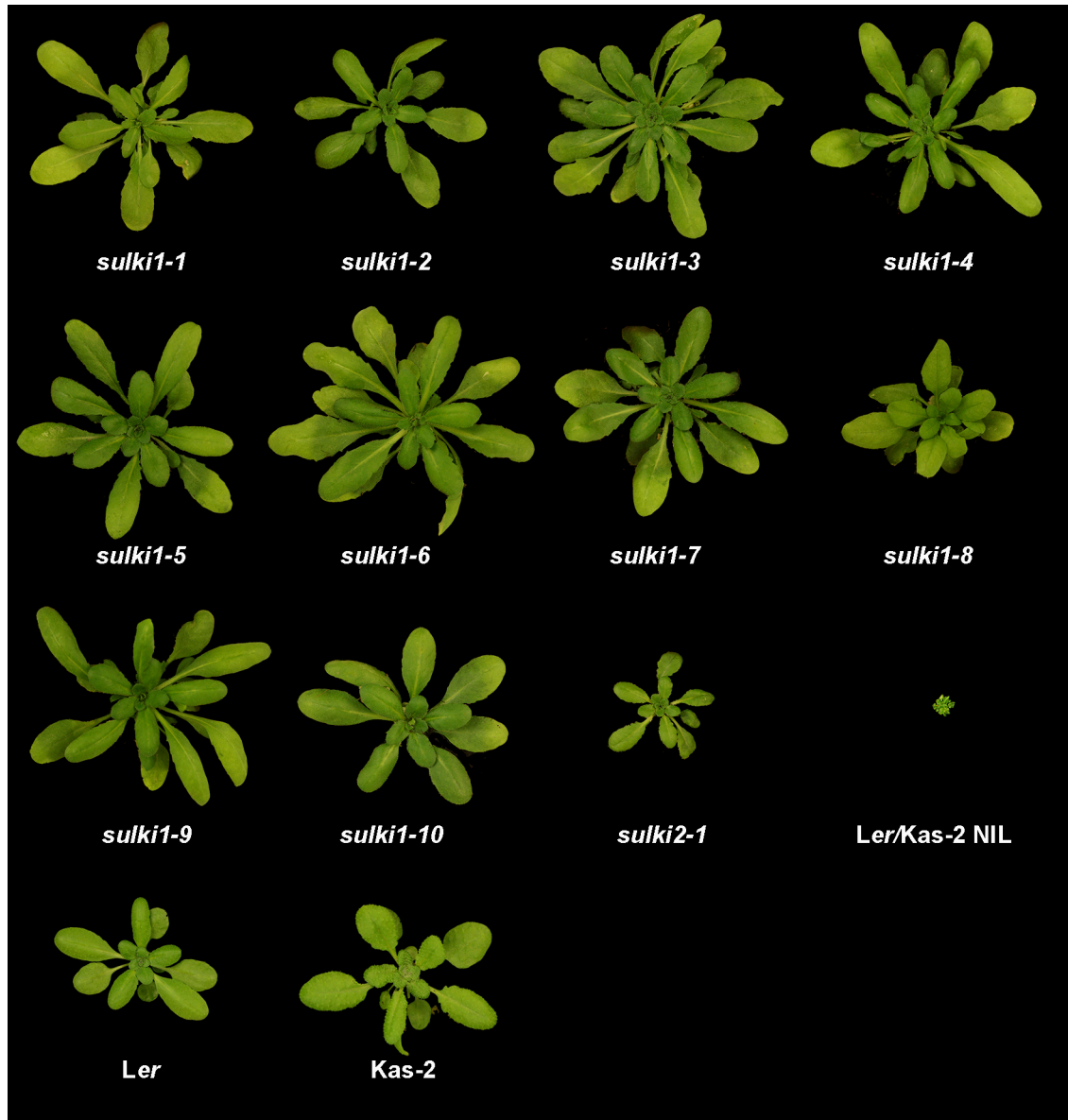


Figure 2. Growth phenotypes of 5-week old *sulki1*, *sulki2*, Ler/Kas-2 NIL grown at 14 - 16 °C under 12 h light / 12 h dark cycles and light intensity of 120 $\mu\text{mol}/\text{m}^2\text{sec}$.

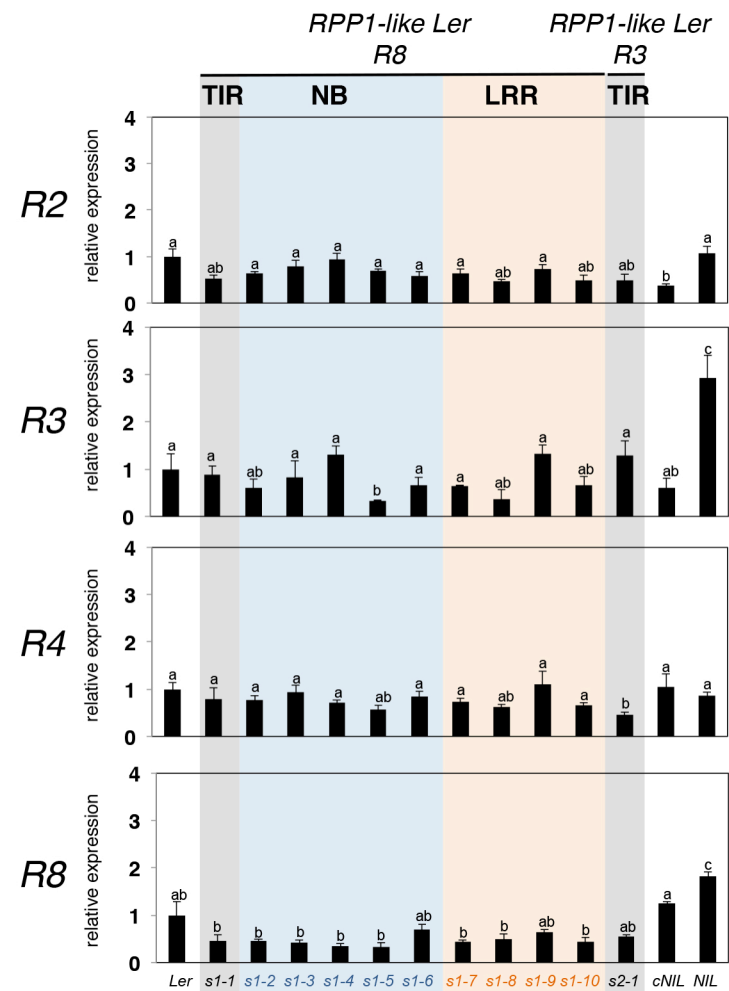
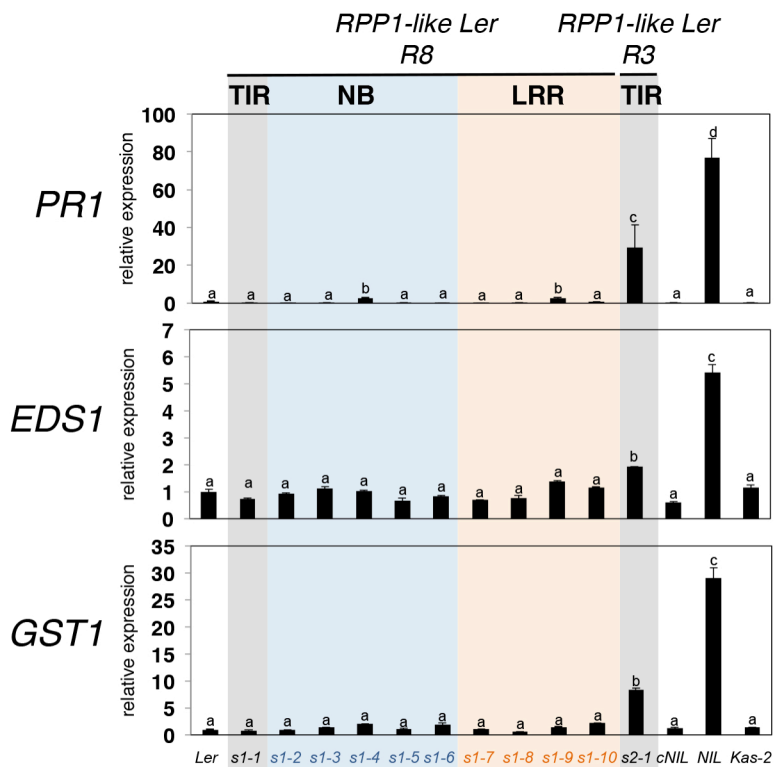


Figure 3. Quantitative reverse transcription PCR (RT-qPCR) analyses of *PR1*, *EDS1*, *GST1*, *RPP1*-like *Ler R2*, *R3*, *R4* and *R8* genes in *sulki1-1* (*s1-1*) to *sulki 1-10* (*s1-10*), *sulki2-1* (*s2-1*), *Ler*, *Kas-2*, *Ler/Kas-2* NIL and NIL complemented with *SRF3 Ler* (*cNIL*) (Alcázar et al., 2010). Values are relative to *Ler* and are the mean \pm SD of three biological replicates, each with three technical replicates. Letters indicate values that are significantly different according to Student–Newman–Keuls test at P value < 0.05.

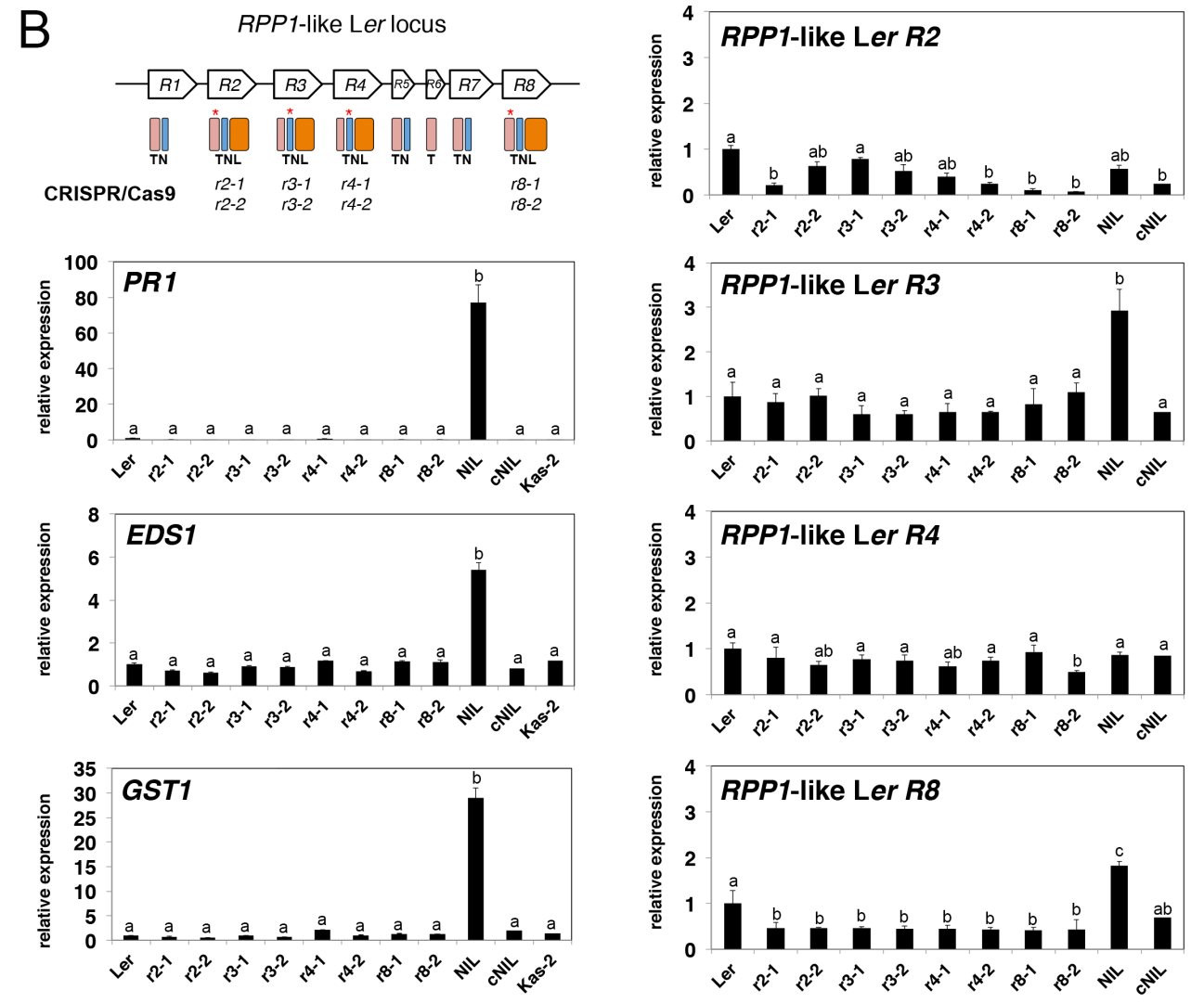
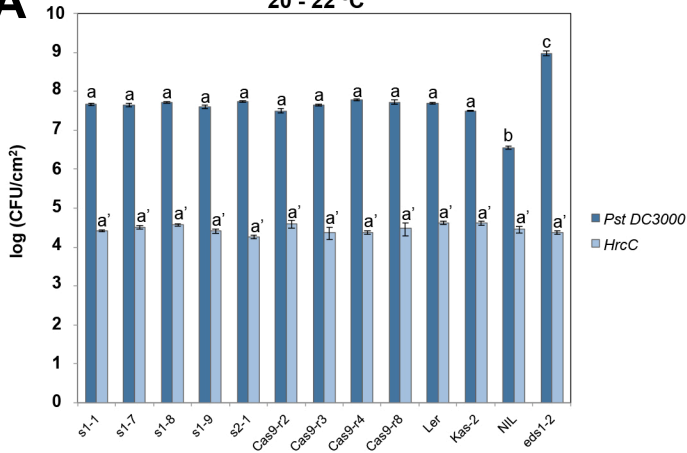
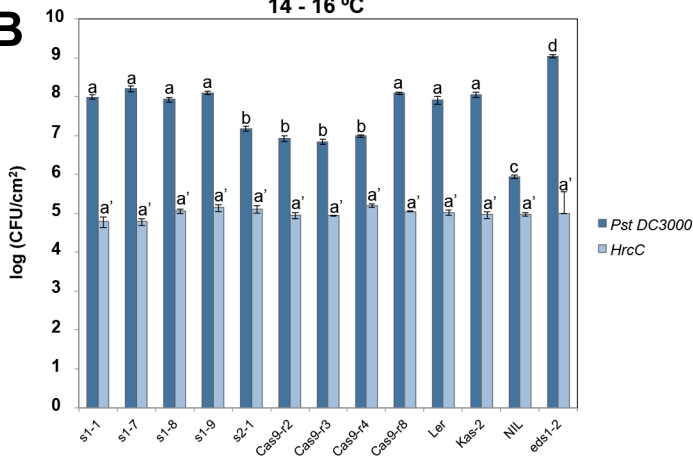
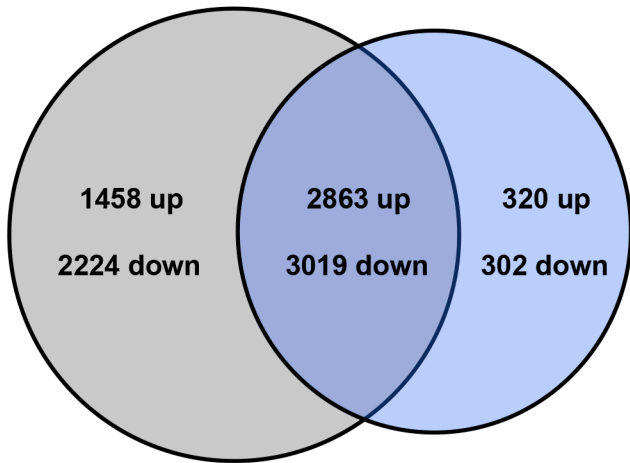


Figure 4. (A) Phenotypes of 5-week old Cas9-*r2-1*, Cas9-*r3-1*, Cas9-*r4-1*, Cas9-*r8-1* mutants in the Ler/Kas-2 NIL background, Ler/Kas-2 NIL and parental lines (Ler and Kas-2) grown at 14 -16 °C. The position of stop codons in TIR (T) or NB (N) domains of *RPP1*-like genes is marked with an asterisk. **(B)** Gene expression analyses of *PR1*, *EDS1*, *GST1*, *RPP1*-like Ler R2, R3, R4 and R8 in Cas9 *r2-1*, *r2-2*, *r3-1*, *r3-2*, *r4-1*, *r4-2*, *r8-1* and *r8-2* mutant alleles, Ler, Kas-2, Ler/Kas-2 NIL and cNIL plants grown at 14 - 16 °C during five weeks. Analyses were performed as described in Fig. 3.

A**20 - 22 °C****B****14 - 16 °C**

**Kas-2 vs
Ler/Kas-2 NIL**



***sulki1-8* vs
Ler/Kas-2 NIL**

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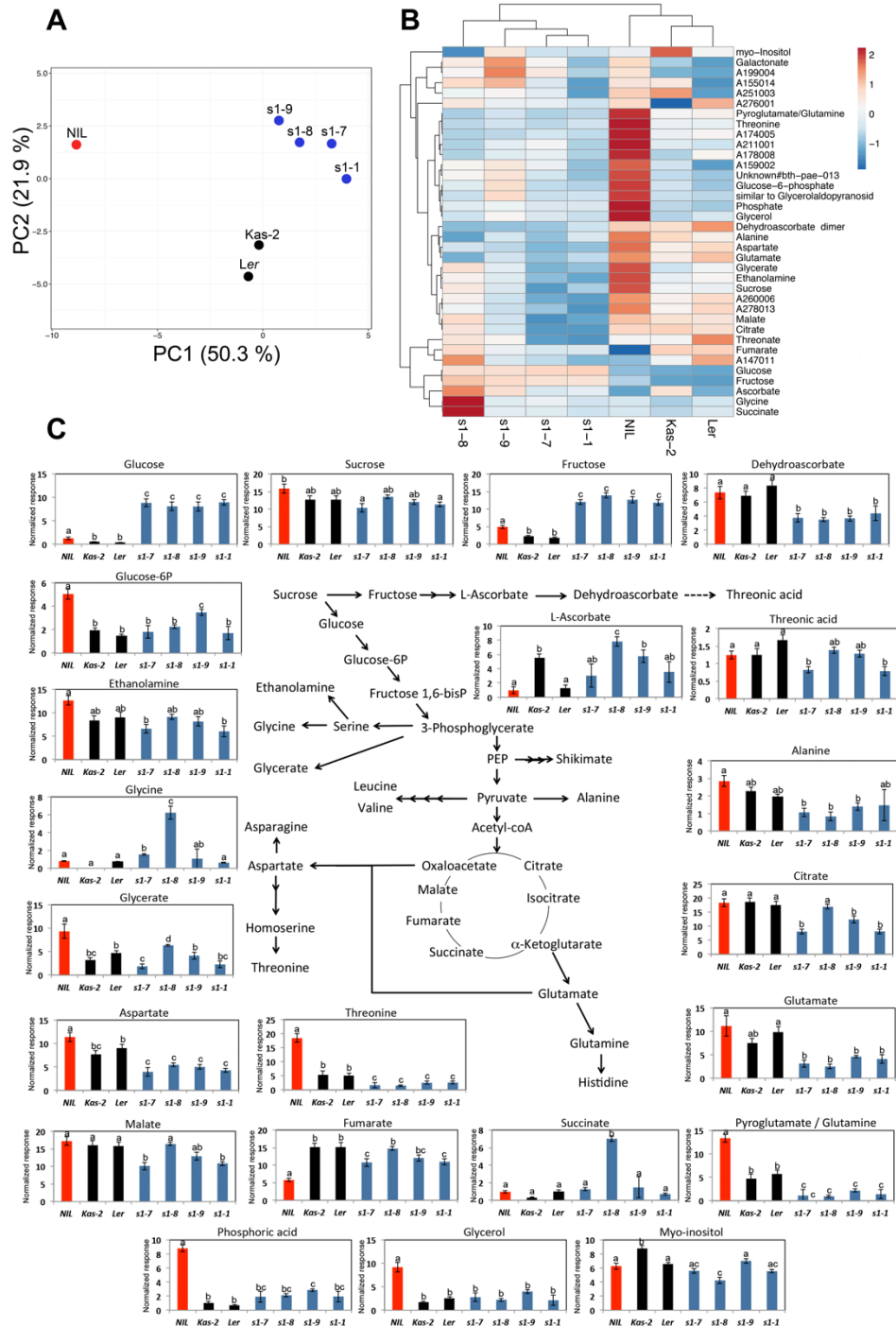


Figure 7. (A) Principal component analysis and **(B)** Hierarchical cluster analysis (*HCA*) with Pearson's correlation and average linkage of samples and metabolites from 5-week old *sulki1-1* (*s1-1*), *sulki1-7* (*s1-7*), *sulki1-8* (*s1-8*), *sulki1-9* (*s1-9*), *Ler*, *Kas-2* and *Ler/Kas-2* NIL plants grown at 14-16 °C. **(C)** Log₂ normalized responses for some metabolites determined by GC/MS in the above genotypes, and schematic representation of their metabolic pathways. Different letters indicate significant differences ($P < 0.01$) in a Student-Newman Keuls test. Error bars, s.d. A complete list of analyzed metabolites is provided in **Supplementary Table S3**.

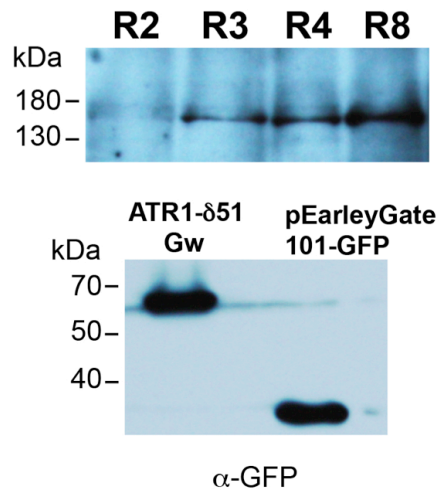
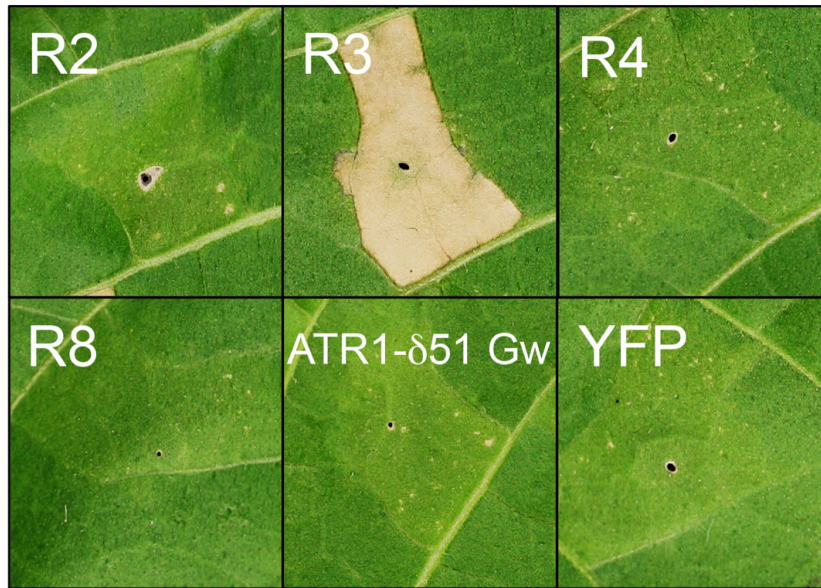
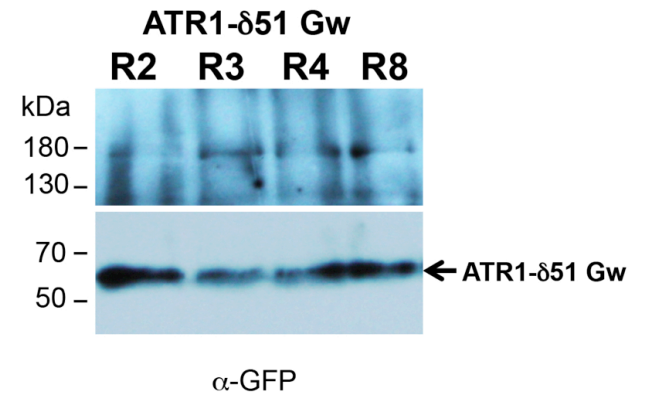
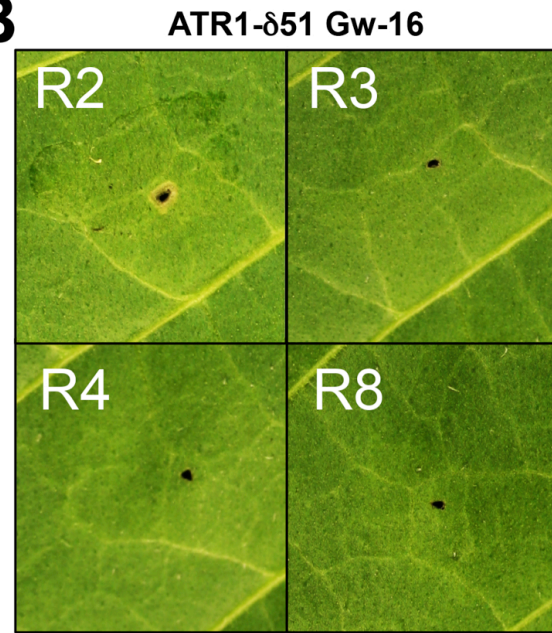
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Figure 8. Transient expression assays in *Nicotiana tabacum*. **(A)** Transient expression of genomic versions of 35s: *RPP1*-like Ler *R2*, *R3*, *R4*, *R8* and ATR1-d51 Gw, tagged with C-terminus YFP. **(B)** Co-infiltration of *RPP1*-like Ler *R2*, *R3*, *R4*, *R8* with ATR1-d51 Gw. Pictures in (A) and (B) were taken 48 h after infiltration. Samples for western blot analyses in (A) and (B) were collected 24 h after infiltration. No symptoms of cell death were observed at later time points of co-infiltration in (B).

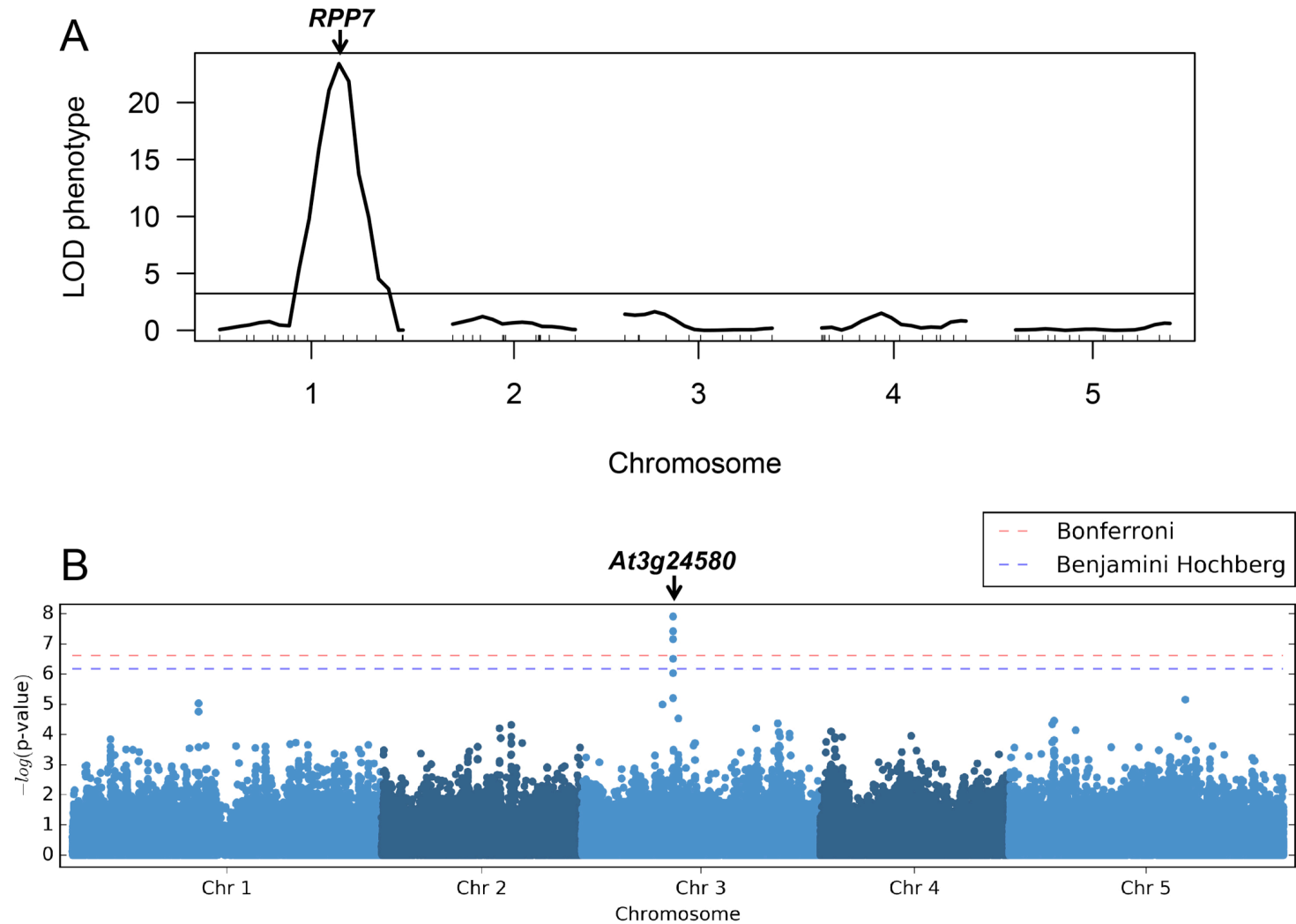


Figure 9. (A) QTL mapping of disease resistance to *Hyaloperonospora arabidopsidis* (*Hpa*) isolate Gw in the Ler/Shu recombinant inbred line (RIL) population (Clerkx et al., 2004), see **Supplementary Table S6**. Position of *RPP7* on chromosome 1 is indicated. **(B)** Manhattan plot of GWAS mapping for disease resistance to *Hpa* Gw in 288 accessions (see **Supplementary Table S8**). List with most significant gene associations is shown in **Supplementary Table S9**.

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