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Genetic perspectives of wood formation explained by a weed

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Is Arabidopsis the better tree?

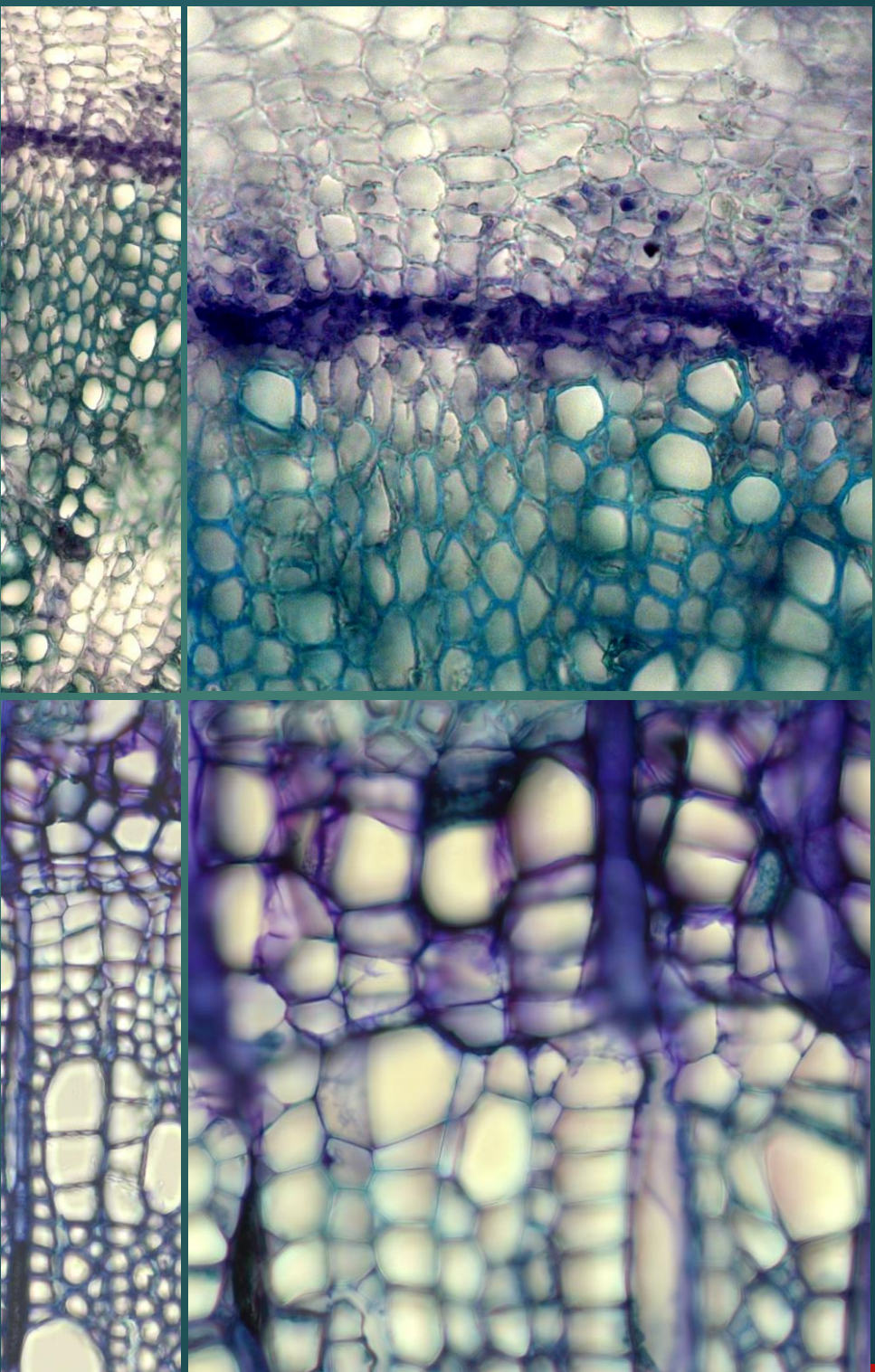


Angiosperm tree



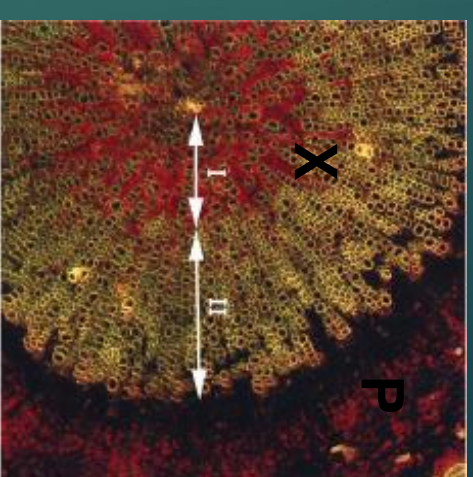
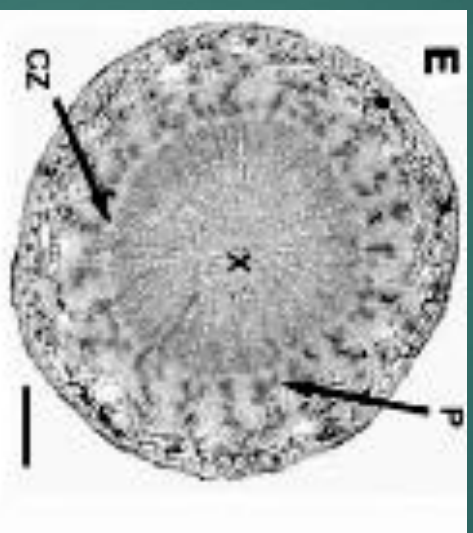
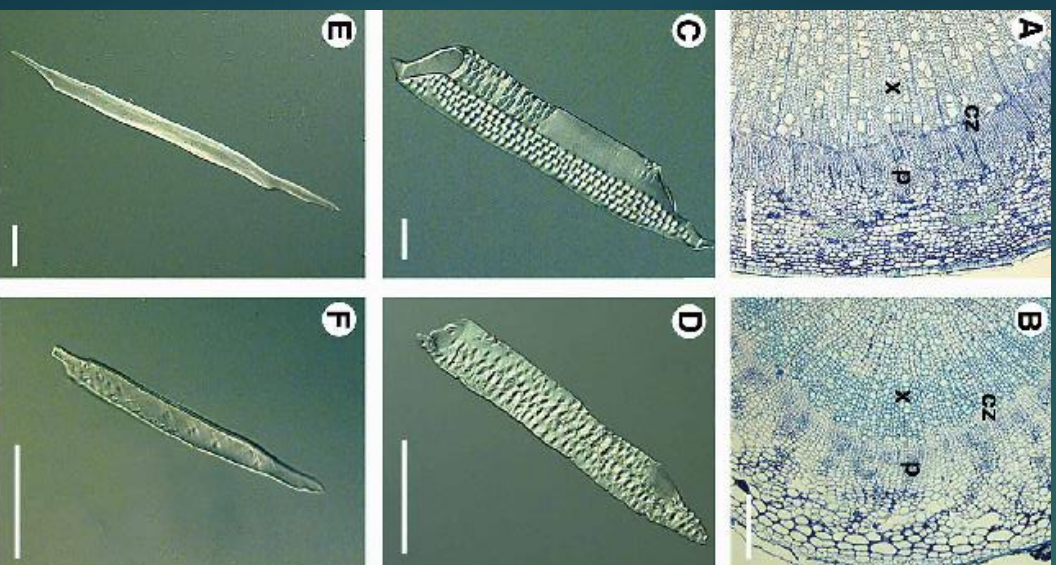
A weed: *Arabidopsis thaliana*

Arabidopsis hypocotyl vs poplar stem



(Sunaryo, 2010)

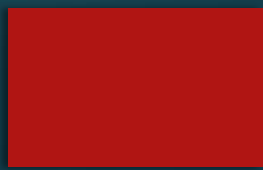
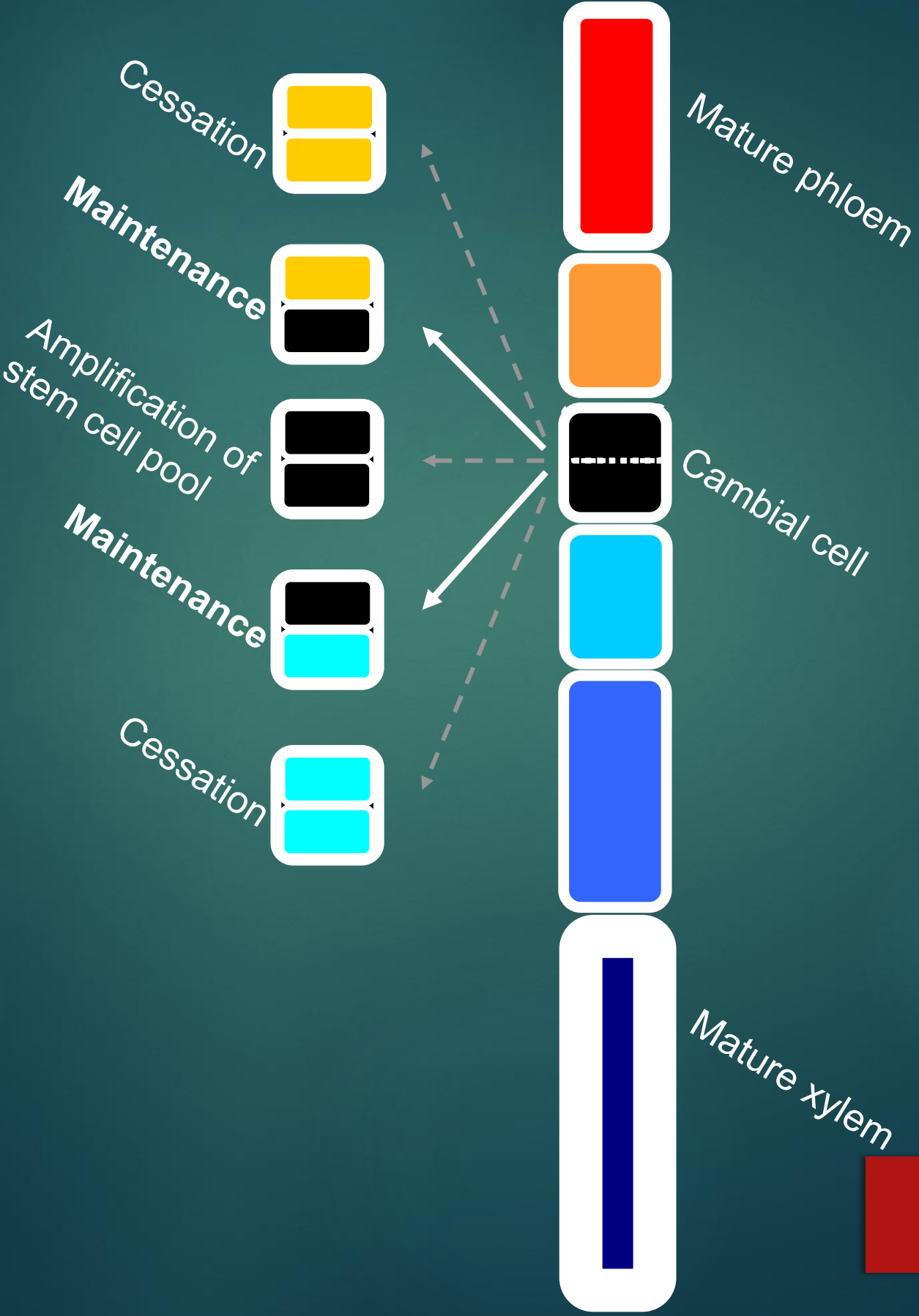
Vascular cambium and secondary growth in *Arabidopsis* hypocotyls are a model for wood formation (Chaffey et al. 2002)



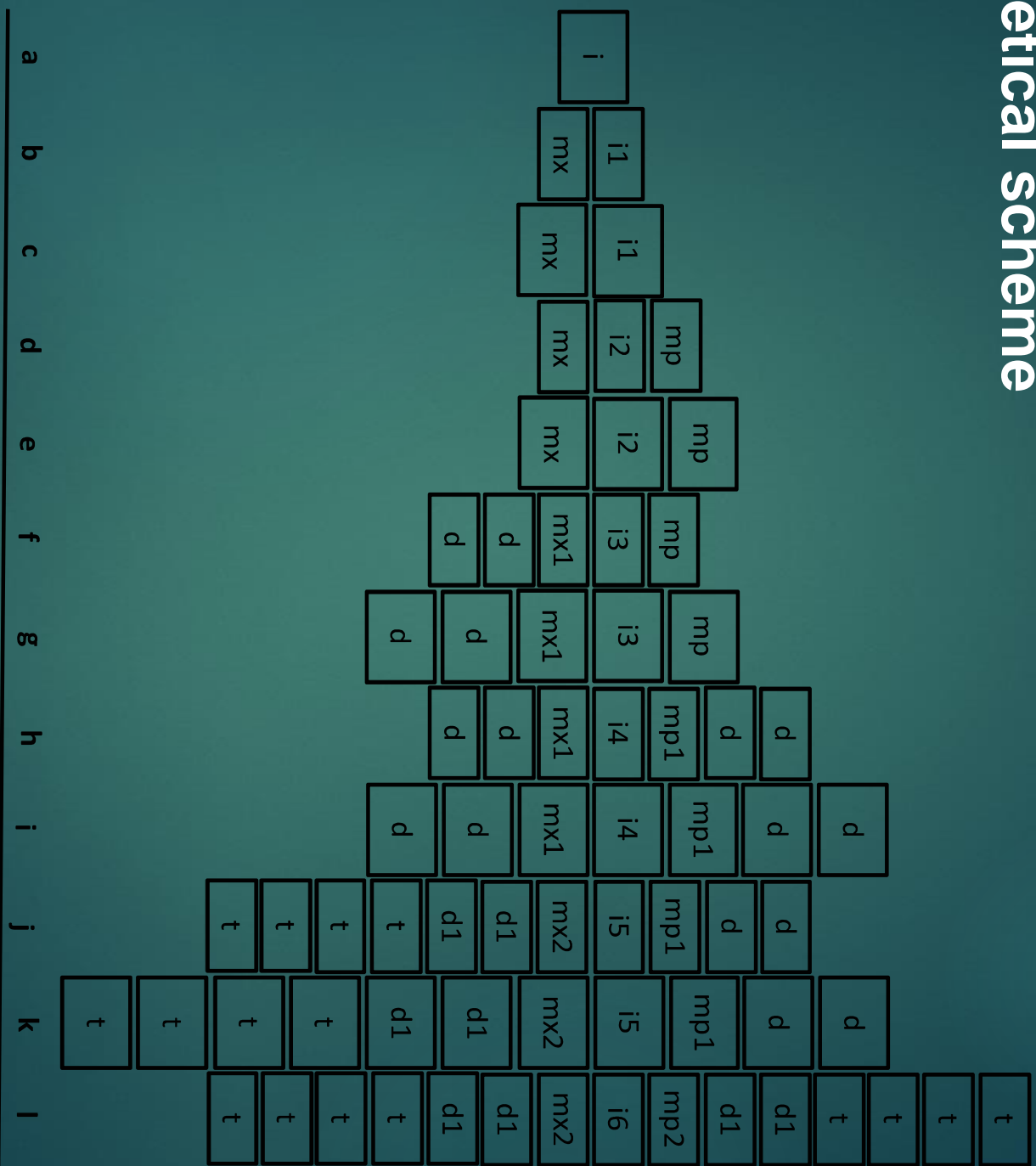
CZ: Cambial Zone, X: Xylem, P: Phloem

	Secondary Growth	<i>Arabidopsis</i>	<i>Poplar</i>
Anatomical Characteristics			
Xylem:			
1. Vessel elements	Yes	Yes	Yes
2. Fibre cells	Yes	Yes	Yes
2. Parenchyma cells	Yes	Yes	Yes
2. Rays	No	No	Yes
Phloem:			
1. Sieve tube elements	Yes	Yes	Yes
2. Companion Cells	Yes	Yes	Yes
3. Parenchyma cells	Yes	Yes	Yes

Fate determination



Formation of secondary xylem and phloem in a theoretical scheme



The cambial cell and its derivatives. Redrawn and modified Sunaryo (2010) from Evert (2006). (i) Initials, (mx) mother cells of xylem, (mp) mother cells of phloem, (d) daughter cells, (t) tissue cells derived from daughter cells. (a-l) time events.

Functional genomic study in tree



Major obstacles:

- Slow growth
- Long generation times



Production of mutants is laborious, inefficient, and unspecific.



Profound understanding of molecular and genetic control regulating secondary xylem development is still lacking

Functional genomic study

Basic strategy:

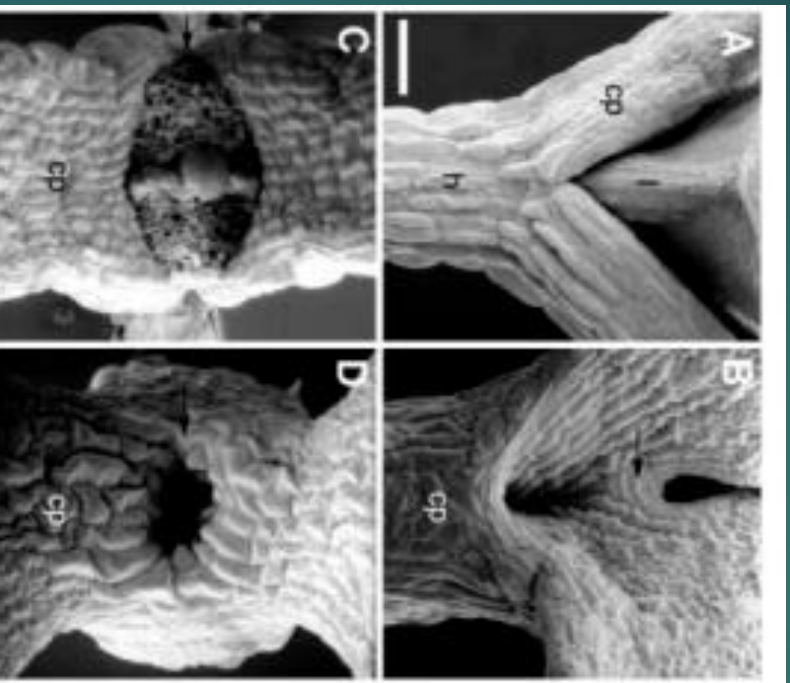
Down regulation/mutation

Upregulation/ Overexpression

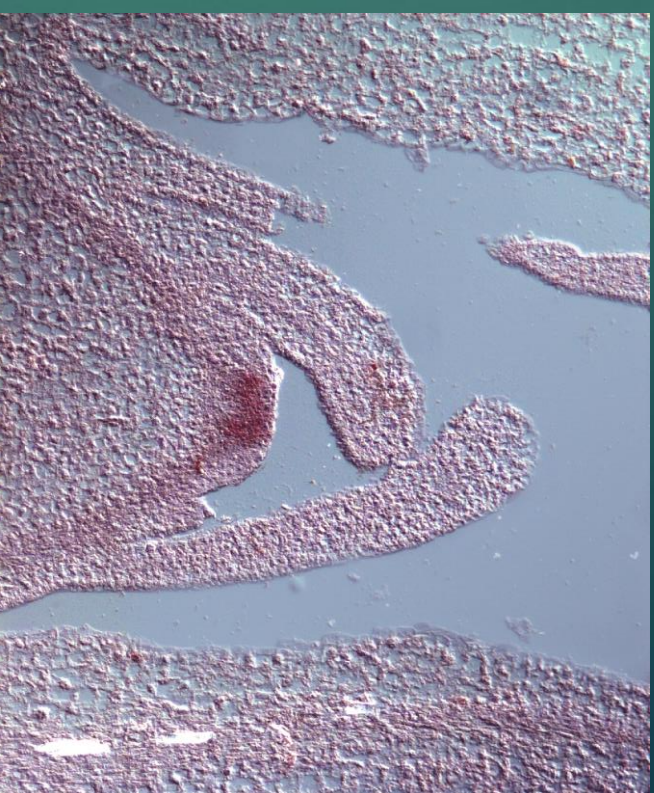
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Shoot Meristemless, STM, keeps cells undifferentiated

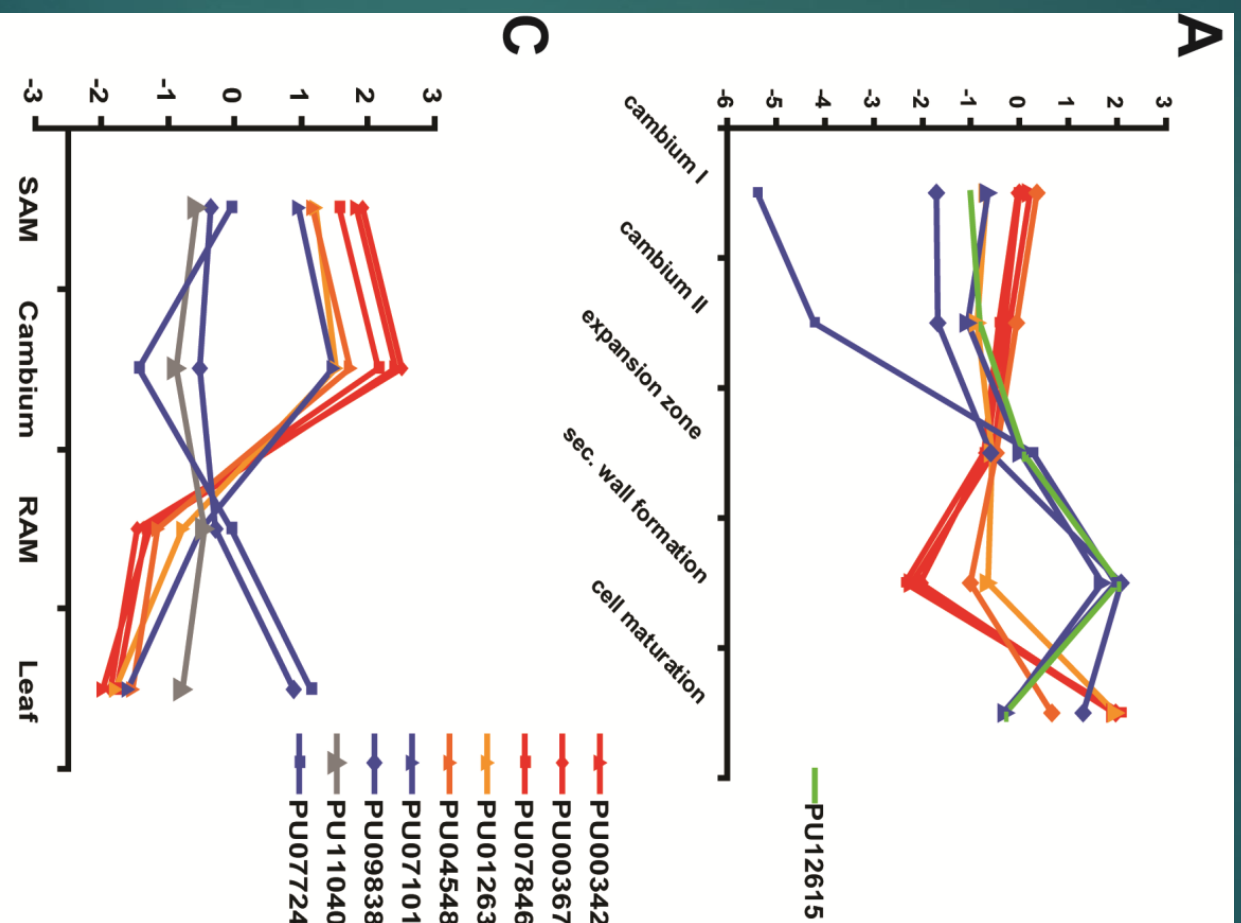


Long and Barton, 1996

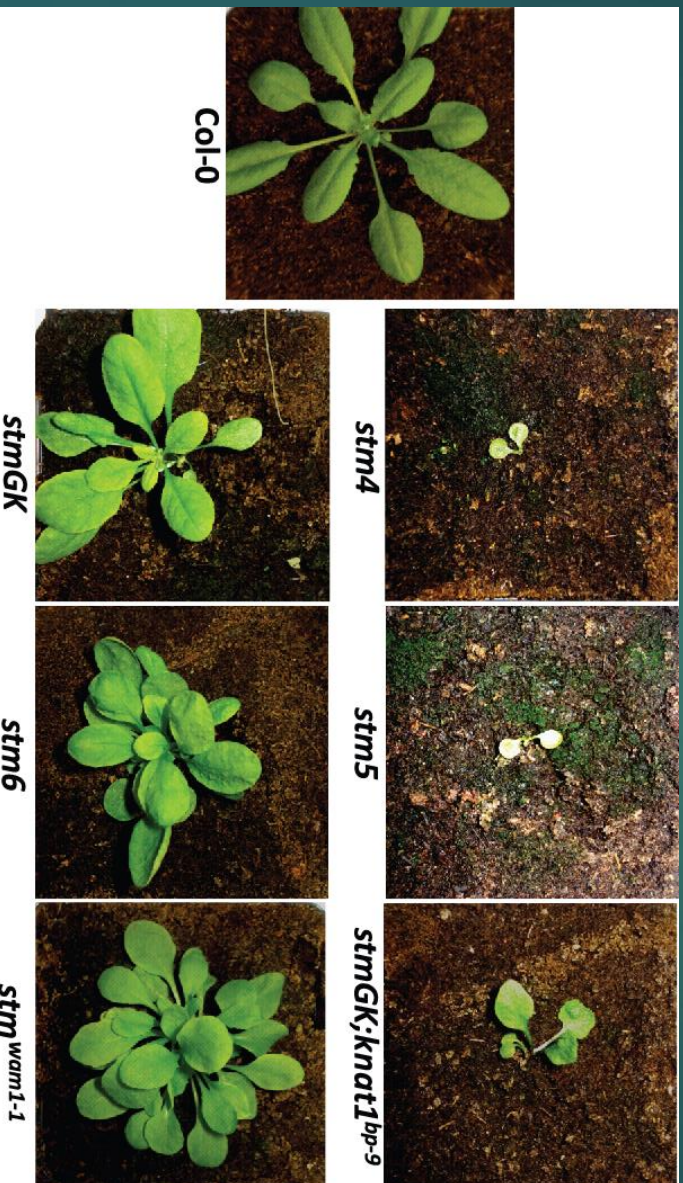


Homeodomain transcription factor

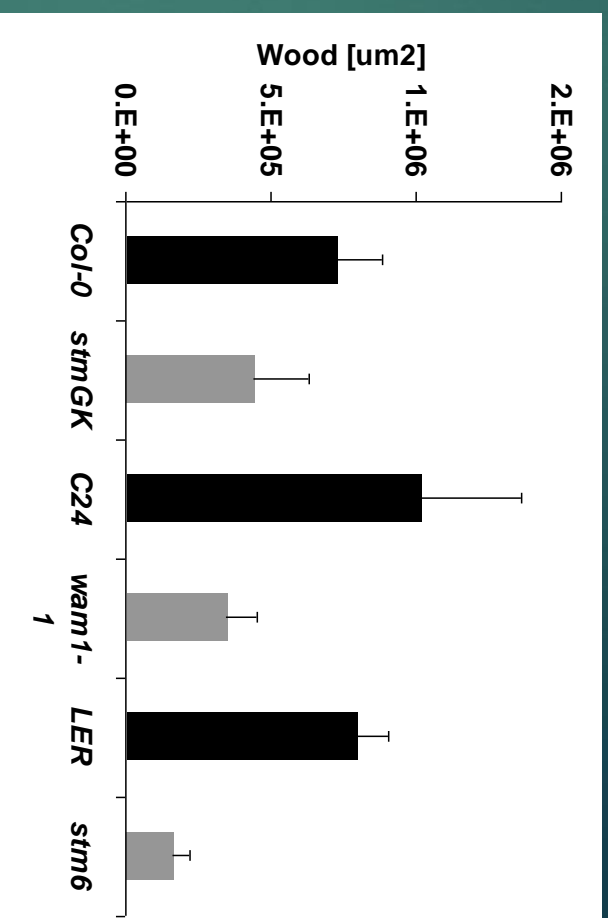
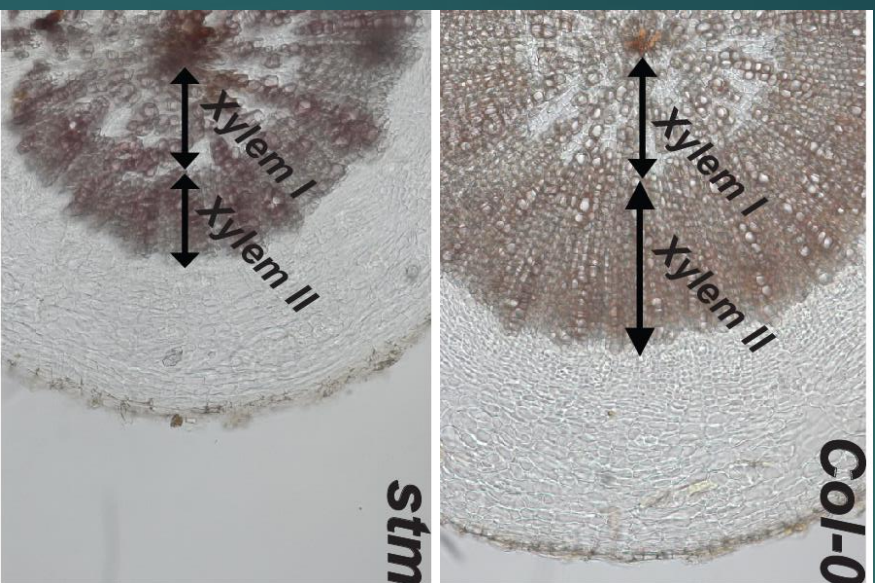
STM homologs expressed in poplar cambium



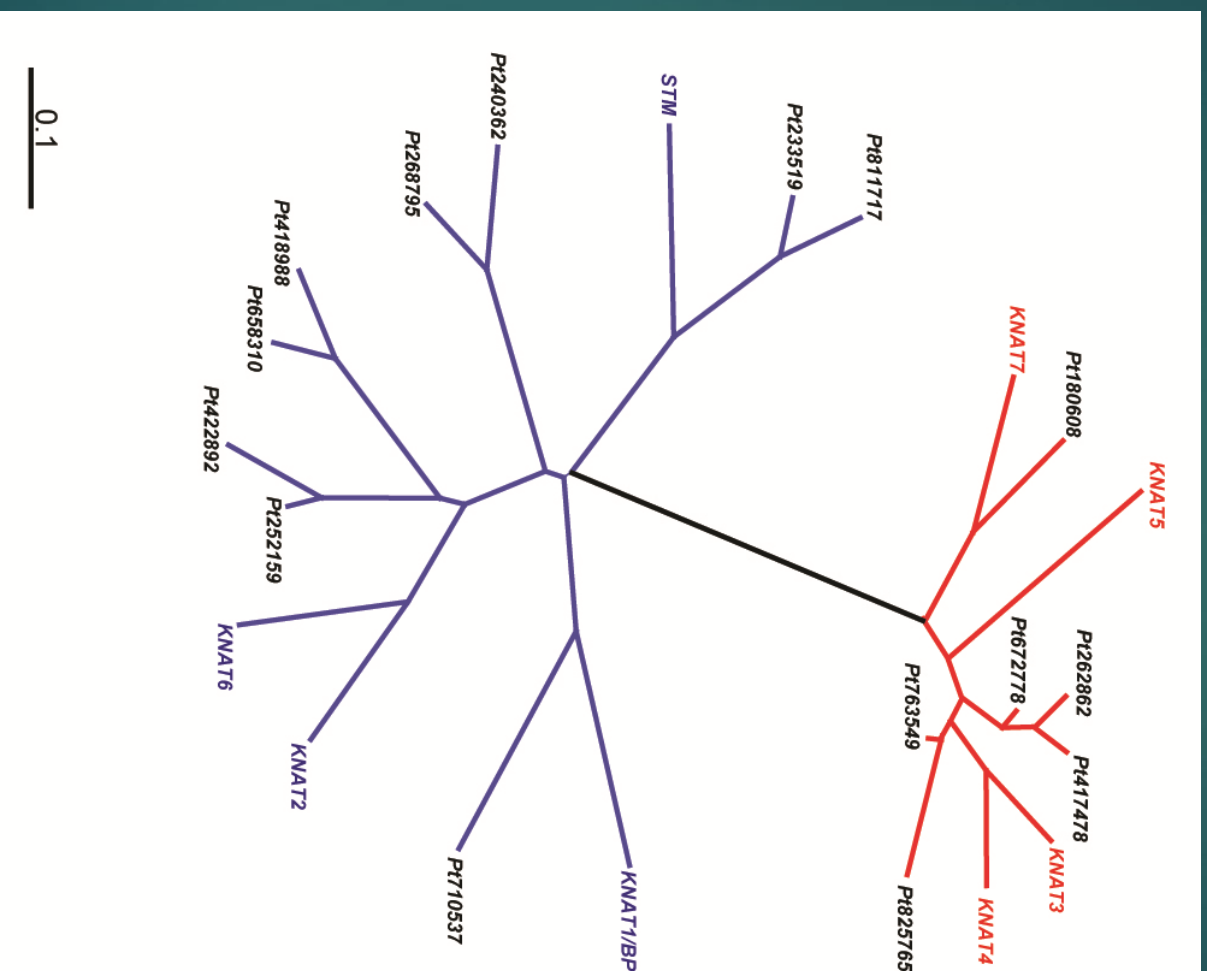
Weak *stm* mutants with similar total biomass than WT



Less wood in weak *stm* mutants



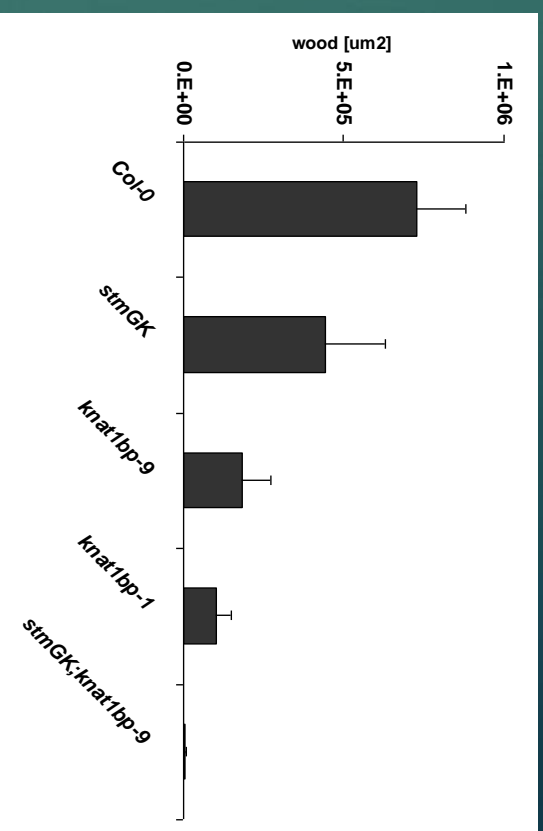
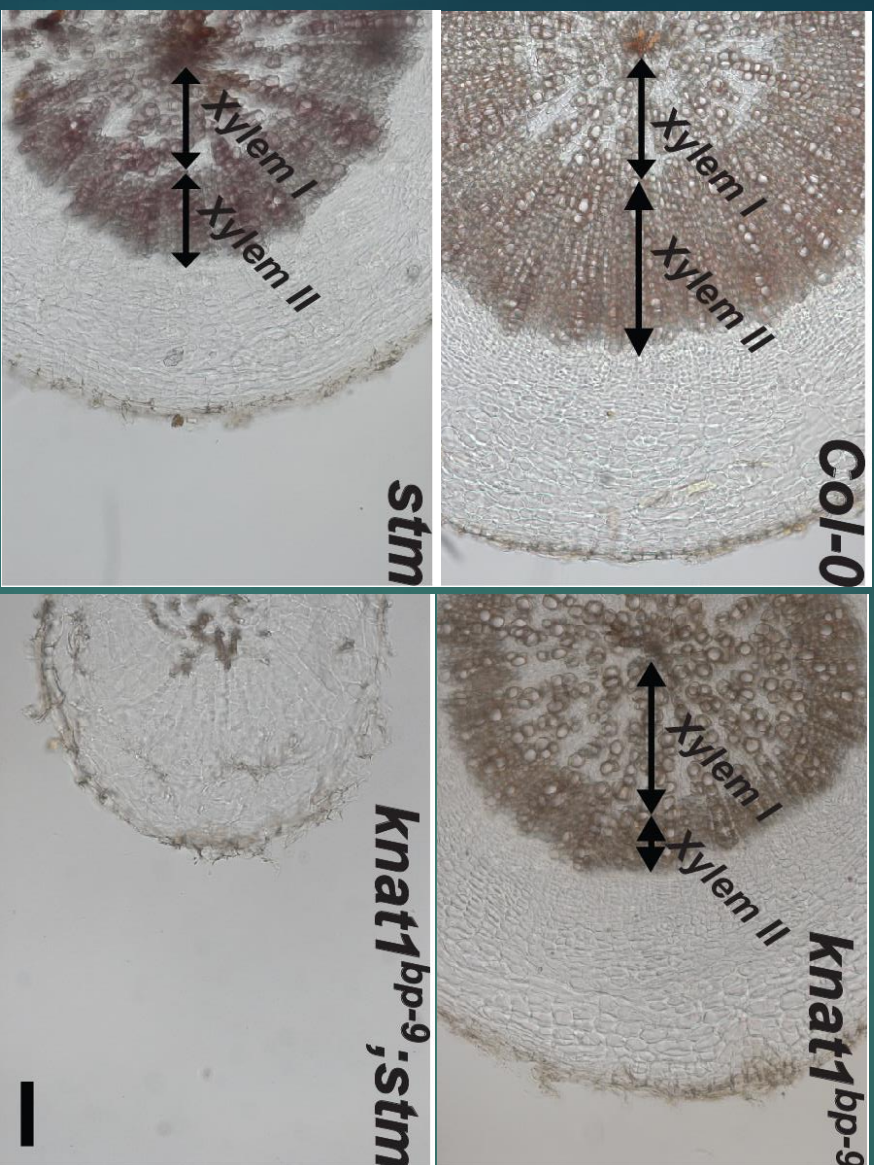
Redundancy?



knot1 mutants with phenotype similar to *stm*

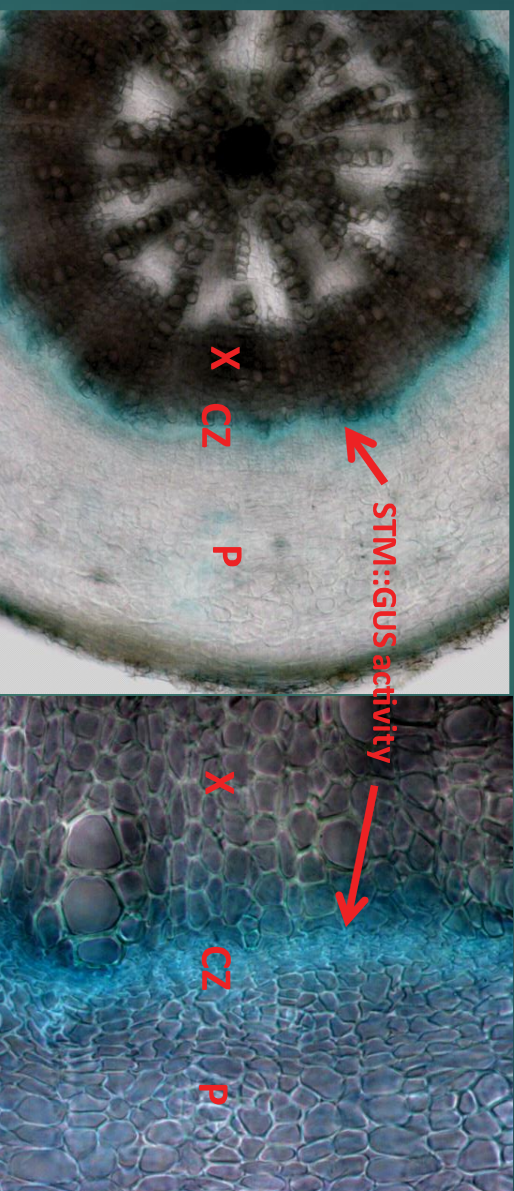


Overlapping functions for *KNAT1* and *STM*

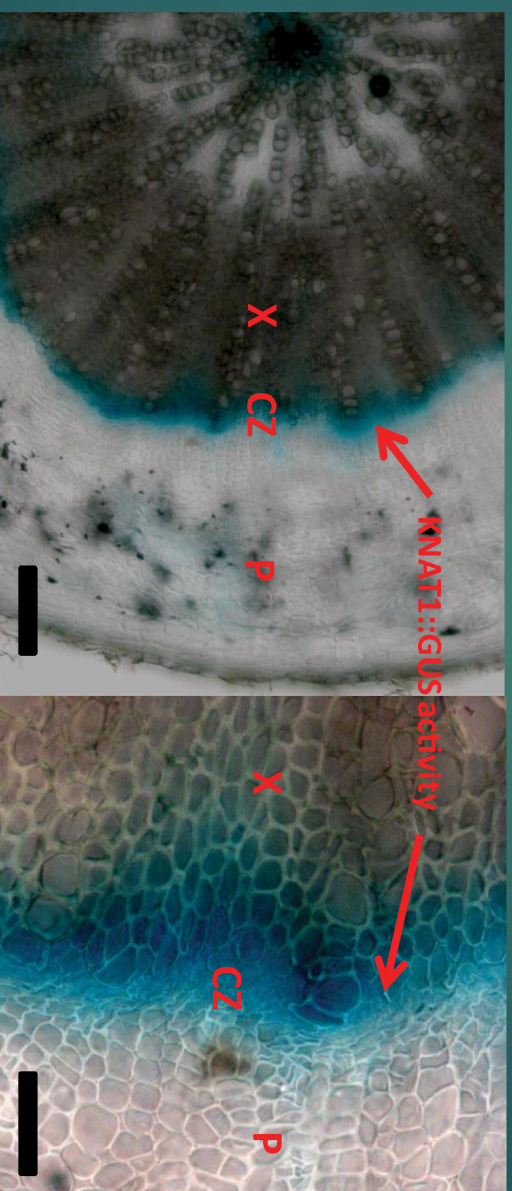


KNAT1 and *STM* expression in cambium and developing xylem

STM::GUS

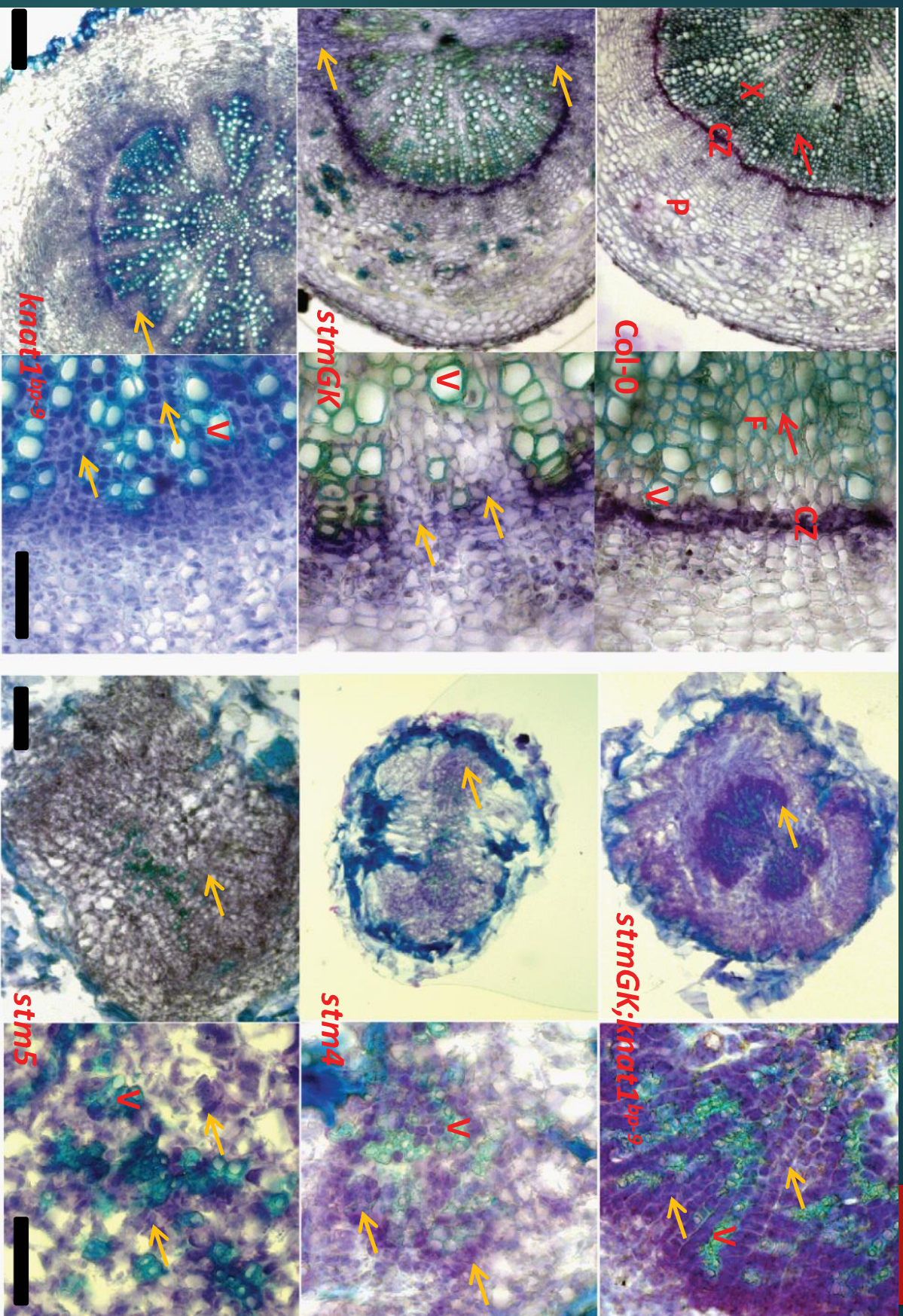


KNAT1::GUS

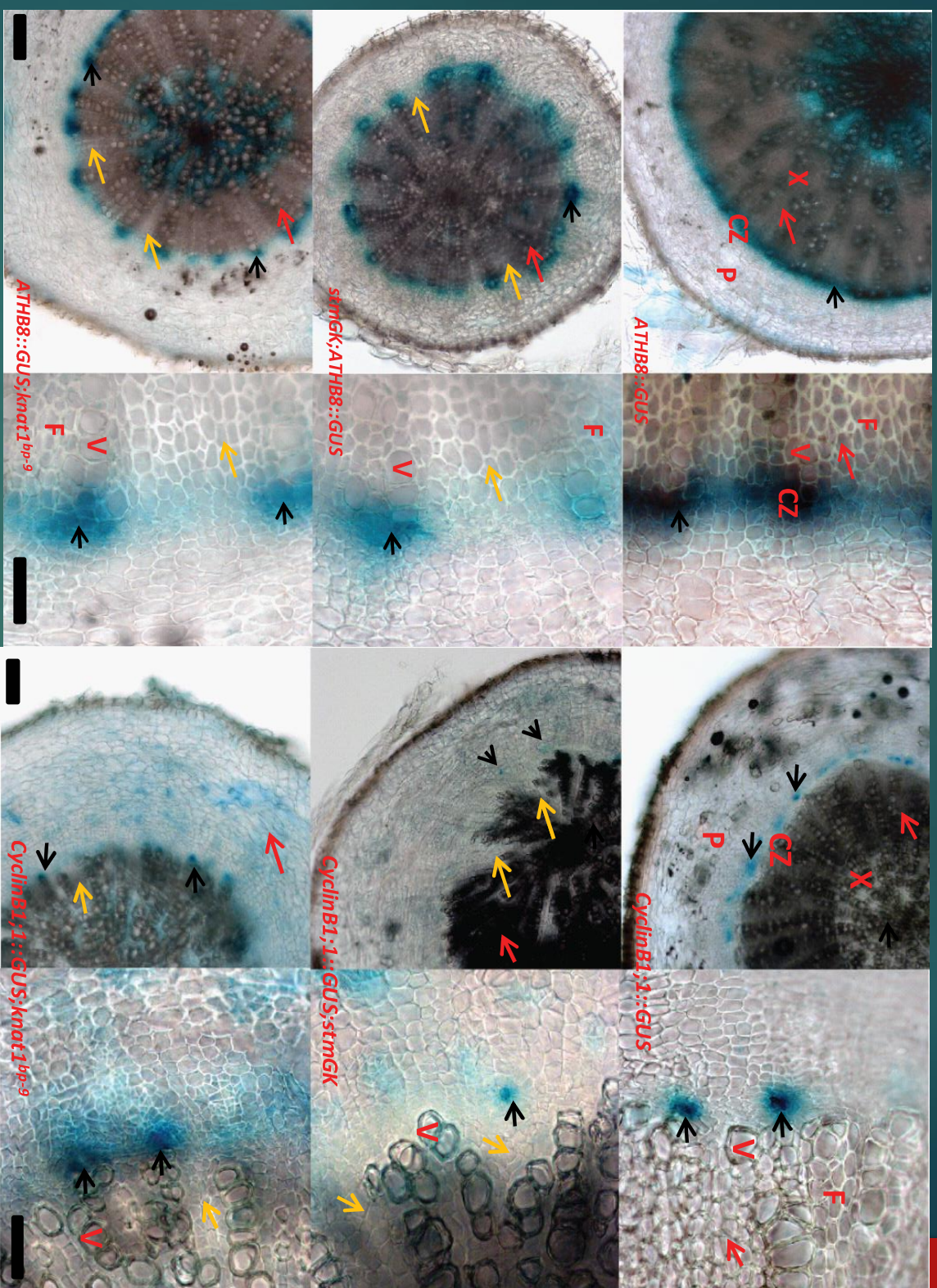


Bar: 100 μ m

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KNAT1 and *STM* are required xylem fiber cell formation and maintenance of cambial cells



KNAT1 and STM are required for early differentiation in xylem fiber cell files

STM – KNAT1

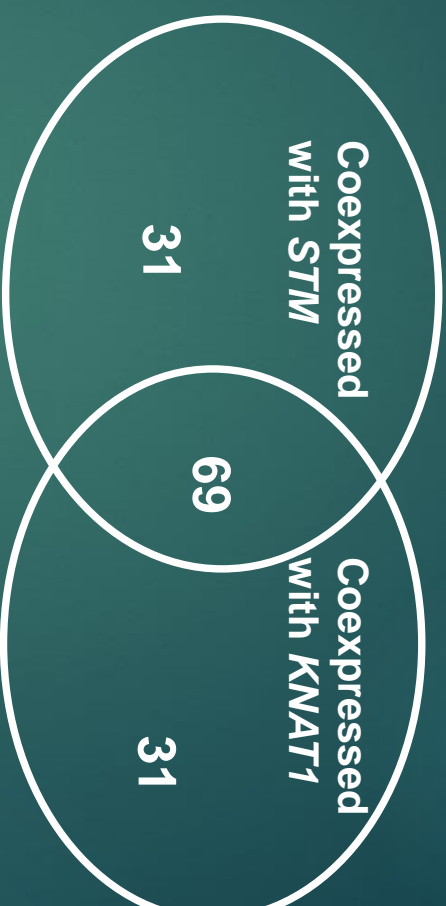


Maintenance of cambial cells

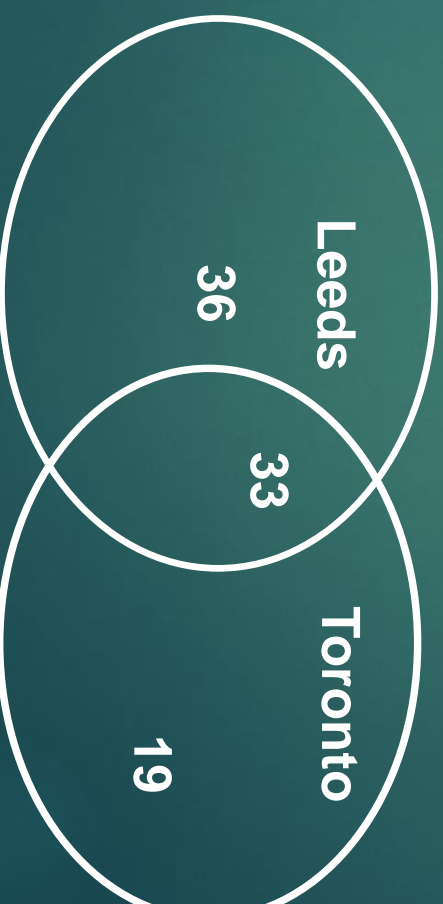
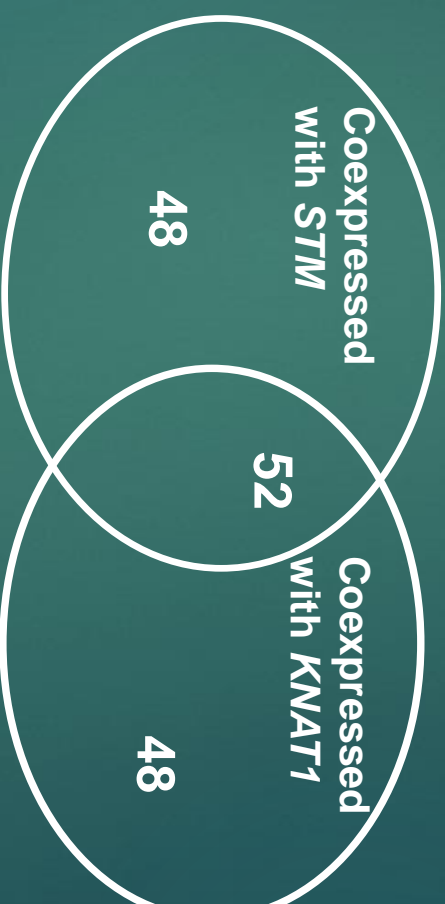
Xylem fiber cell differentiation

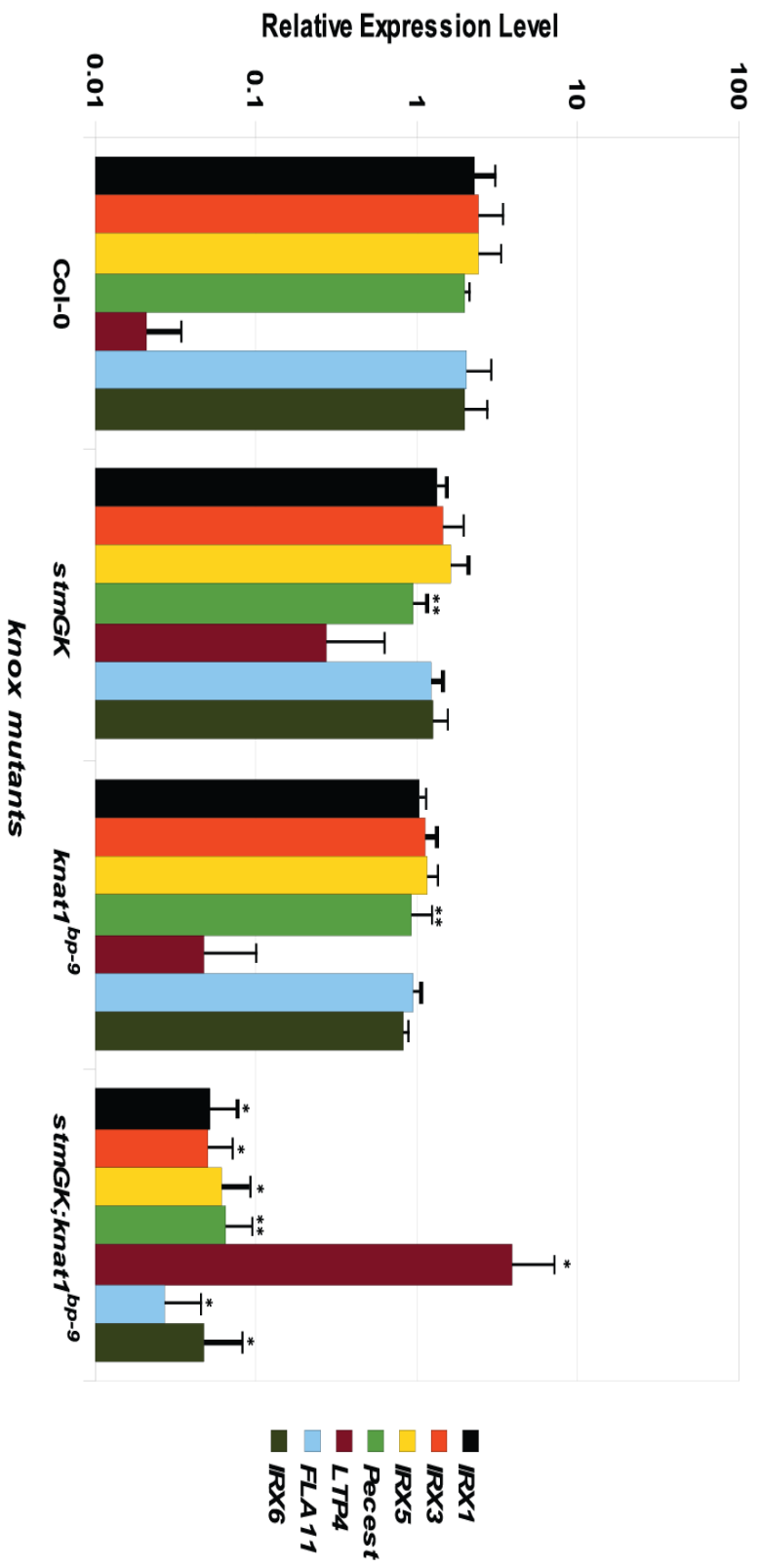
Downstream targets?

„Leeds“ database
+300 datasets
+21 000 genes
+Top 100



„Toronto“ database
+392 datasets
+21 000 genes
+Top 100

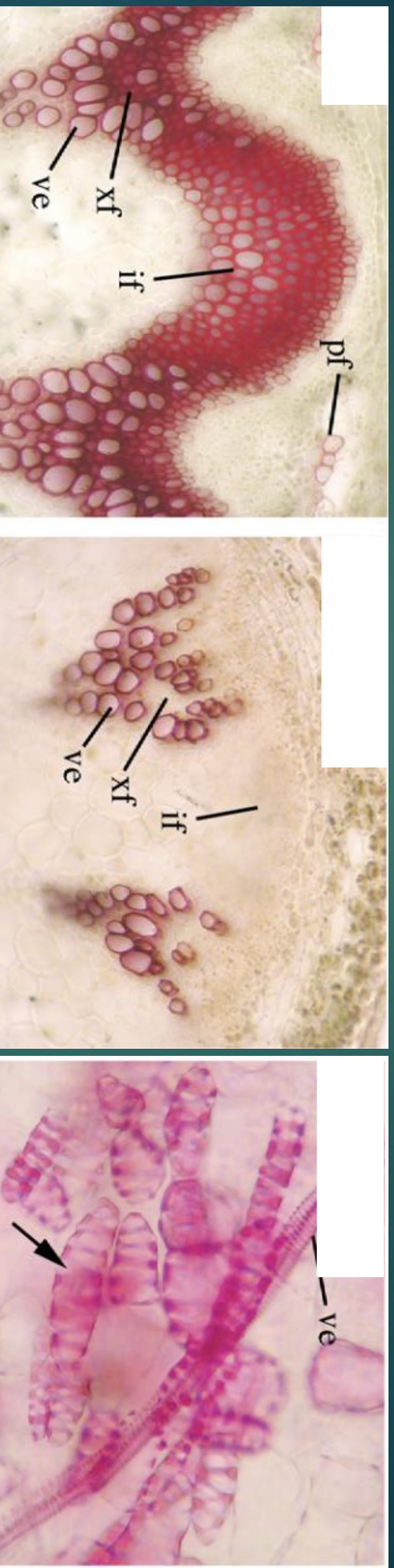




STM/KNAT1 are required for the expression of...

<i>NST1</i>	<i>nst1</i>	Transcription factor
<i>SND1</i>	<i>snd1</i>	Transcription factor
<i>SND2</i>	<i>snd2</i>	Transcription factor
<i>ATHB8</i>	<i>ATHB8-ox</i>	Transcription factor
<i>IAA27</i>	<i>iaa27</i>	Transcription factor
<i>CESAS8</i>	<i>irx1</i>	Cellulose synthase
<i>CESAS7</i>	<i>irx3</i>	Cellulose synthase
<i>CESAS4</i>	<i>irx5</i>	Cellulose synthase
<i>COBRA-LIKE4</i>	<i>irx6</i>	Fibril organization
<i>PME61</i>		Pectin methylesterase
<i>GAUT12</i>	<i>irx8</i>	Galacturonosyltransferase
<i>LAC4</i>	<i>irx12</i>	Laccase
<i>CTL2</i>		Chitinase-like
<i>PAL4</i>	<i>pal4</i>	Phenylalanine ammonia-lyase
<i>FLA11</i>		GPI anchor

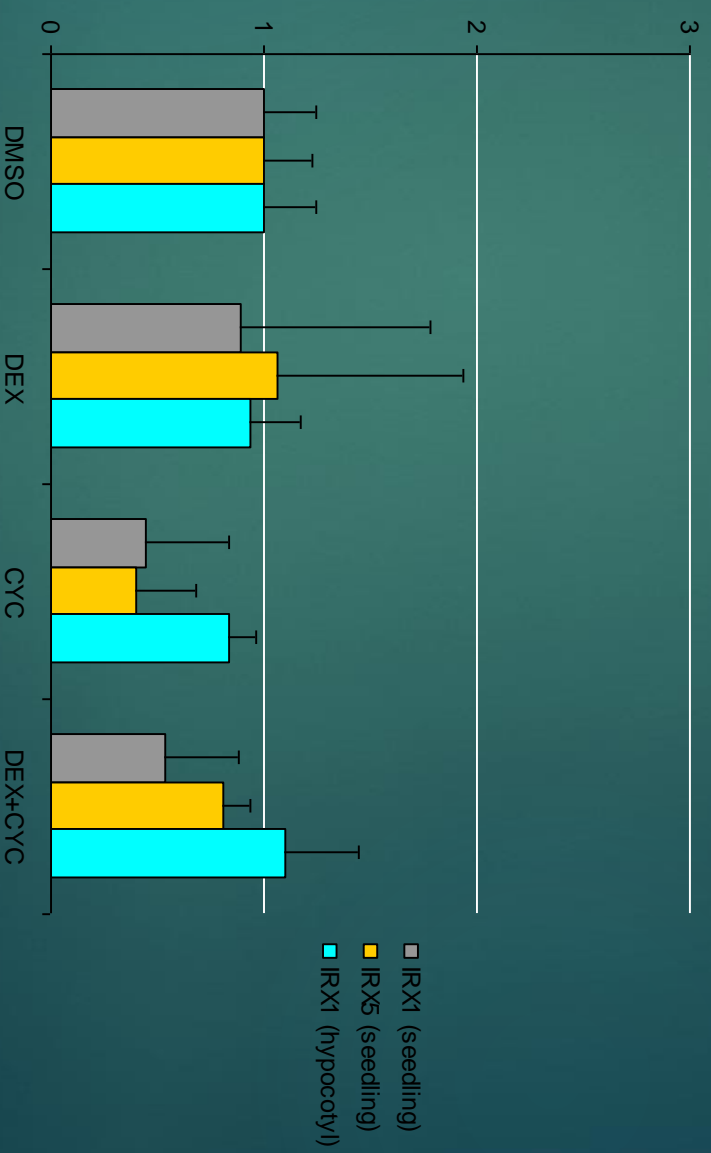
NST1 and SND1 are switches for xylem fiber cell identity



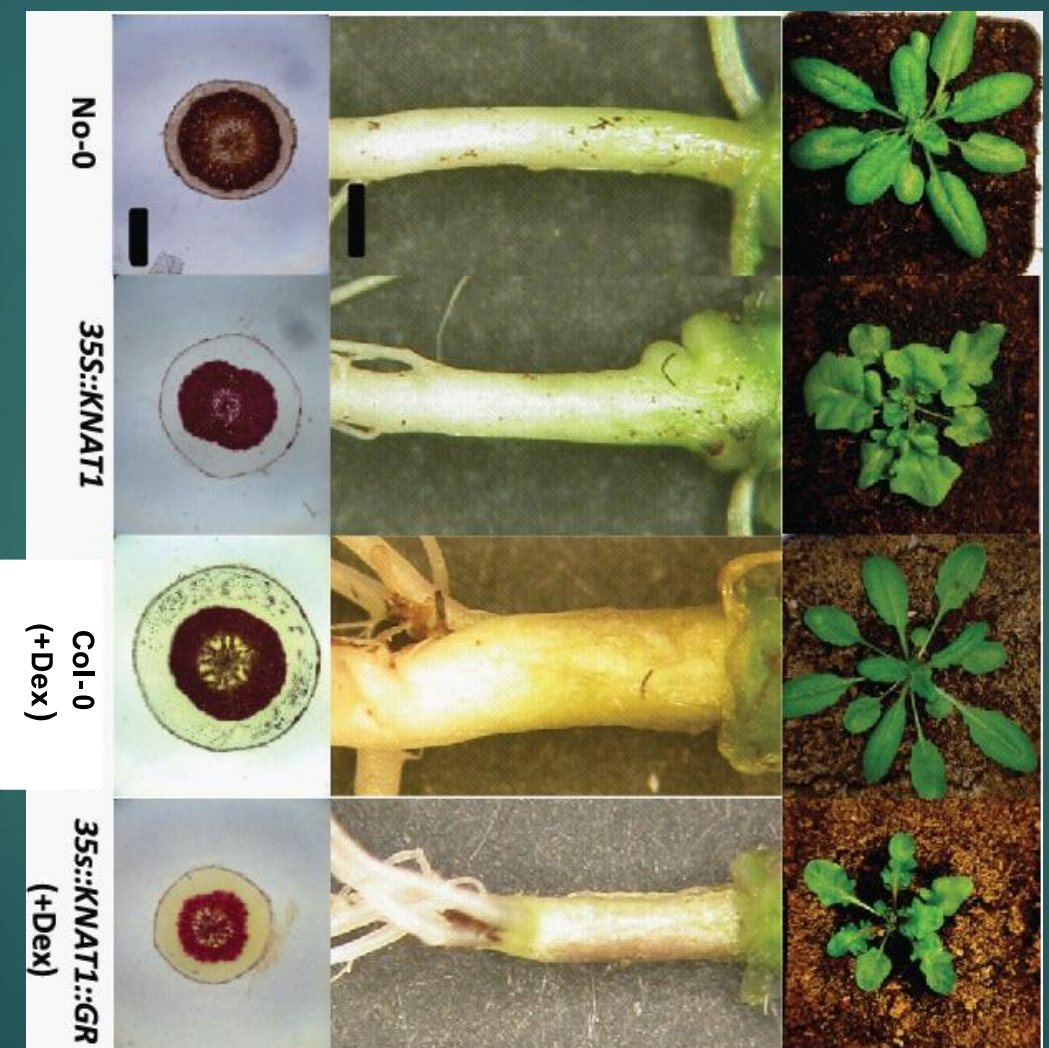
Zhong and Ye, 2007

Direct targets of STM/KNAT1 action?

35S::KNAT1-GR



35S::KNAT1-GR is functional



STM – KNAT1



Vascular identity

ATHB8

NST1, SND1

Xylem fiber identity

Auxin signalling

IAA27

SND2

Xylem vessel identity



Cellulose biosynthesis

**CESA8^{1/RX1}, CESA7^{1/RX3}, CESA4^{1/RX5}
COBRA-LIKE4^{1/RX6}**

Pectin

PME61

Hemicellulose biosynthesis

GAUT12^{1/RX8}

Lignin

PAL4, LAC4^{1/RX12}, CTL2



STM - KNAT1

Auxin signalling

IAA27

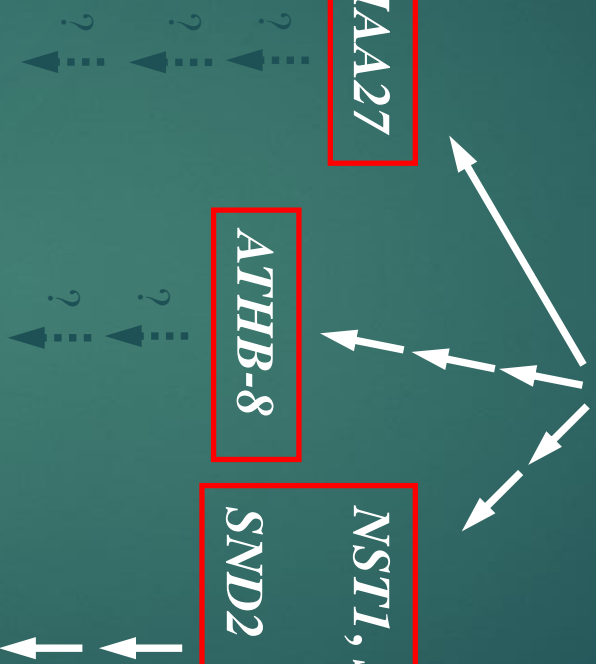
Vascular identity

ATHB-8

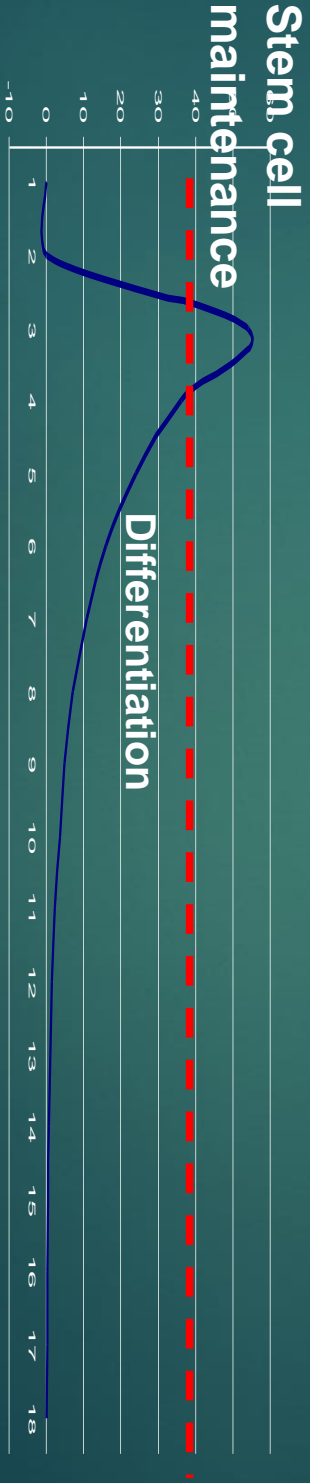
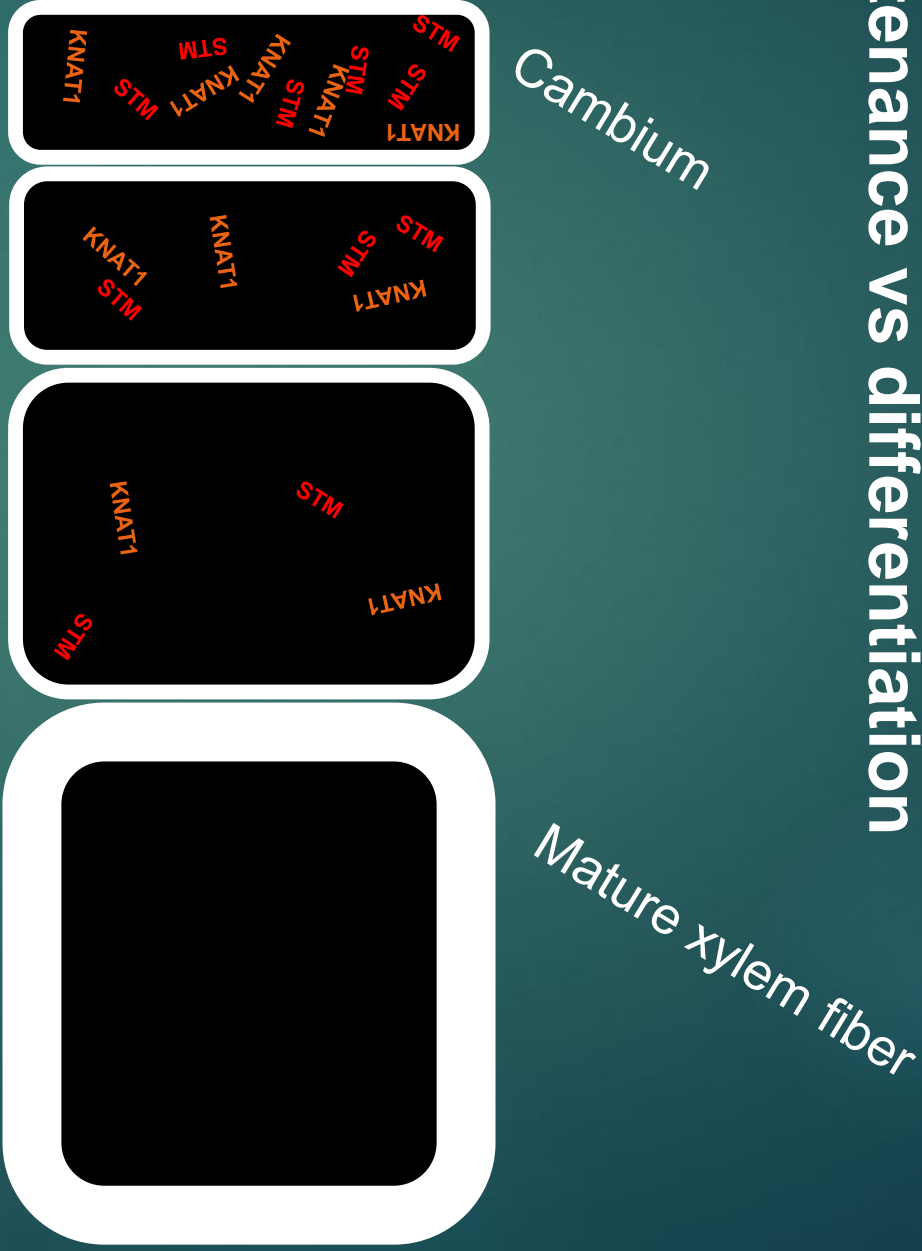
NST1, SND1
SND2

Xylem fiber identity

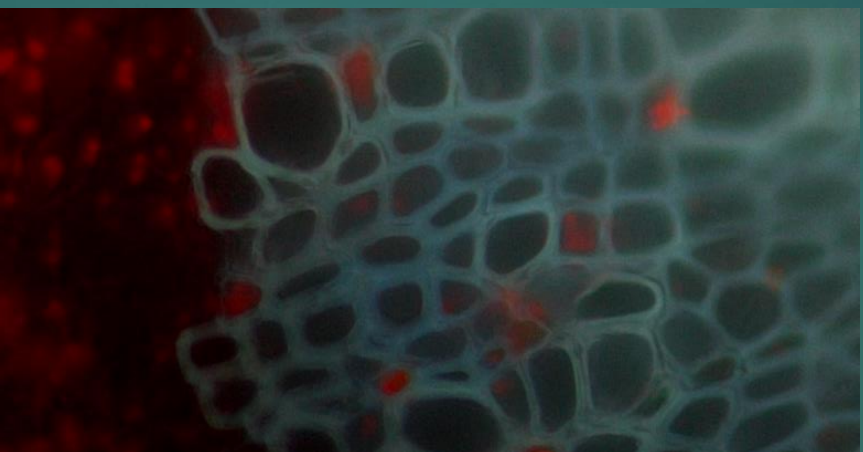
Xylem vessel identity



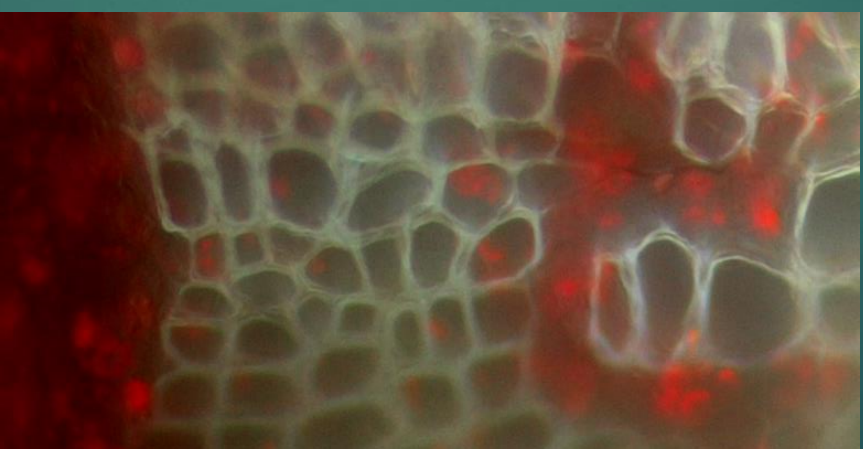
Stem cell maintenance vs differentiation



More reverse genetics...

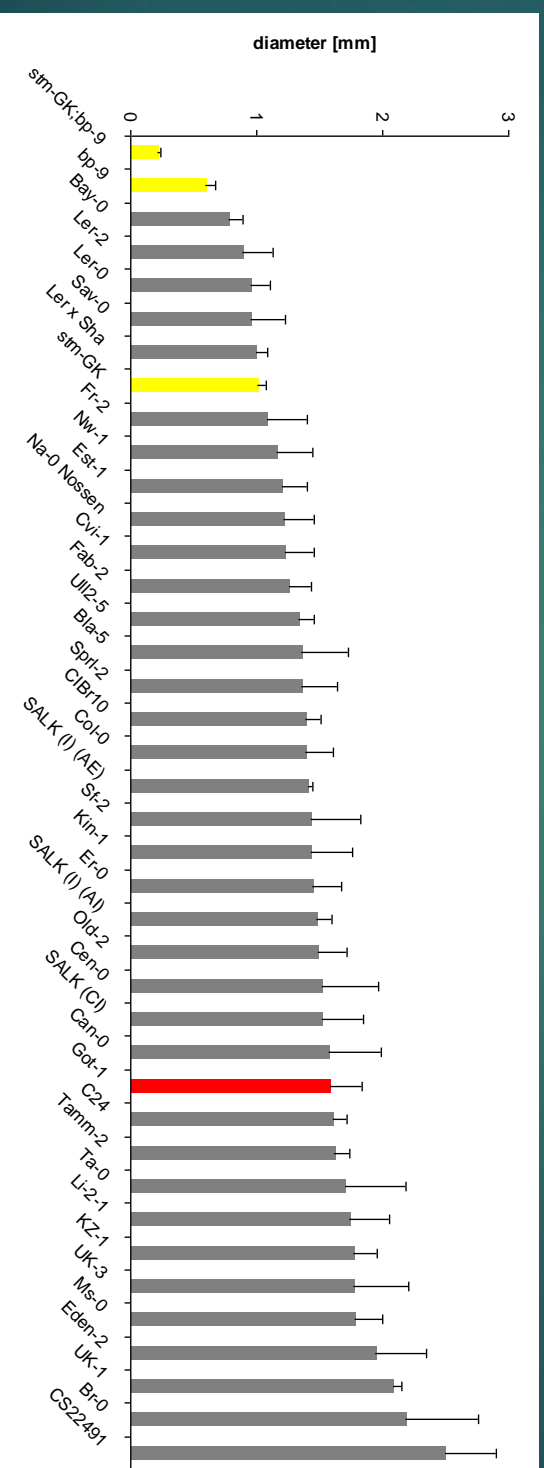
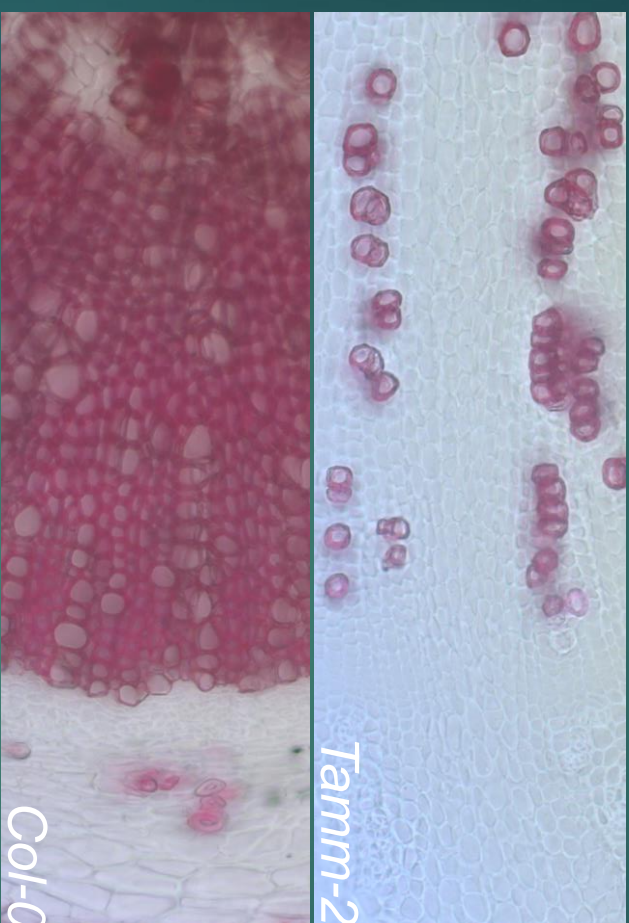


WT



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Natural variation



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- CLAVATA3**
stem cells
- WUSCHEL**
stem cell niche
- SHOOT MERISTEMLESS**
prevents differentiation

