

1 **Comparative analysis of RNA-Binding Proteomes under *Arabidopsis***  
2 ***thaliana*-Pst DC3000-PAMP interaction by Orthogonal Organic**  
3 **Phase Separation**

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19 **Abstract**

20 RNA-binding proteins (RBPs) are pivotal participants in post-transcriptional gene  
21 regulation. They interact with RNA directly to perform several post-transcriptional  
22 RNA regulatory functions or direct metabolic processes. Despite the essential  
23 importance, the understanding of plant RBPs is elementary, which derives mainly from  
24 other kingdoms via bioinformatic extrapolation or mRNA-binding proteins captured  
25 through UV crosslinked method. Recently, orthogonal organic phase separation (OOPS)  
26 method for RBP identification has been used in mammals and *Escherichia coli*. And  
27 plentiful RBPs were enriched without molecular tagging or capture of polyadenylated  
28 RNA in an unbiased way. In our study, OOPS was conducted on *Arabidopsis* and 468  
29 RBPs were discovered including 244 putative RBPs. There were 17 peroxidases in 232  
30 RBPs with enzymatic activities. In addition, *Arabidopsis thaliana*-*Pst* DC3000-  
31 chitinpentase interaction system was chosen to explore whether OOPS can be used to  
32 dig specific RBPs under special physiological conditions. Eighty-four differential RBPs  
33 in this system were found and some of them involved in reactive oxygen species (ROS)  
34 metabolic pathway. These results showed OOPS can be applied to plants successfully  
35 and would be a useful method to identify RBPomes and specific RBPs.

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38 **Key words** RNA-binding proteins; Orthogonal organic phase separation; *Arabidopsis*  
39 *thaliana*;

## 40 **1. Introduction**

41 RNA-binding proteins (RBPs) are the most important regulators of mRNA  
42 stability and translation in eukaryotic cells [1,2]. The study of RBPs helps us further  
43 understand the physiological activities of organisms. In mammals, several important  
44 RBPs were identified. For example, extracellular cold-inducible RNA binding protein  
45 (CIRP), as a novel proinflammatory molecule, induces inflammatory responses leading  
46 tissue injury [3,4]. The mammal RBPs have been identified to regulate maturation of  
47 mRNA and various small non-coding RNAs (ncRNAs) like miRNAs [5,6]. In addition,  
48 a large number of studies on RBPs in mammalian and bacterial systems [5,7,8] have  
49 been published. Even though more and more RBPs have been discovered and studied,  
50 it is far from enough. Therefore, the study of RNA-binding proteome (RBPome) has  
51 received unprecedented attention. It is particularly important to dig up the RBPomes  
52 from different species, which can make us understand the growth and development of  
53 organisms more comprehensively.

54 RBPs are very important to plants as it is to mammal with roles in pathogen  
55 defense [9,10] and abiotic stress responses [11-15]. Some RBP mutants suffer from  
56 severe phenotypes or lethality [16]. Until then, knowledge of RBPs in plants came  
57 mainly from targeted studies on individual proteins or from bioinformatic predictions  
58 based on sequence homology with canonical RNA binding domains (RBDs) identified  
59 in other kingdoms [17]. Recent studies have emphasized that development and  
60 improvement of high-throughput approaches to mapping and quantifying protein-RNA  
61 interactions promoted the decipherment of large-scale transcriptome and translational

62 group data in plants [17-20].

63 Several approaches are available to characterize RNA-RBP interactions to help us  
64 enrich RBPomes. Protein-bound RNAs (PBRs) can be purified by immunoprecipitating  
65 a specific protein and sequencing its RNA cargo [21]. And individual-nucleotide  
66 resolution UV crosslinking and immunoprecipitation (iCLIP) identifies protein–RNA  
67 crosslink sites on a genome-wide scale [22]. In addition, the cellular repertoire of  
68 polyadenylated RNA-binding proteins can be recovered by UV cross-linking RNA-  
69 RBP complexes, capturing RNA with oligo(dT) and subsequently identifying bound  
70 proteins [14,23-28]. Although mRNA capture technology has been proved to be  
71 successful in providing large repertoires of RBPs, drawbacks including the need for  
72 sizable amounts of material and complex workflows are apparent.

73 To identify RBPs comprehensively, methods based on protease digestion [29,30],  
74 modified nucleotides [31-33] and organic phase separation of protein-crosslinked  
75 RNAs [34] have been developed and applied to mammalian and human cells in recent  
76 years, of which organic phase separation was used to define the first bacterial protein-  
77 RNA interactome [35].

78 The development of many other methods [36,37] increased the number of RBPs  
79 in mammalian. However, the detection of RBPome in plants is rarely promoted and  
80 only a UV cross-linking RNA-RBP complexes method has been used to recover the  
81 polyadenylated RBPs in *Arabidopsis thaliana* [14,26-28]. The previous mRNA  
82 interactome method represent the first profound system-wide analysis of mRNA  
83 interacting proteins and these studies pave the way for the overall analysis of RBP

84 [14,26-29,38]. But the requirement for poly(A) tails makes it difficult to apply  
85 oligo(dT)-based methods to bacterial systems or eukaryotic non-polyadenylated RNAs.  
86 The comprehensive and specific identification of RBPs as well as the discovery of  
87 RNA-associated protein functions remain major challenges in plant RNA biology.

88       Orthogonal organic phase separation (OOPS) is a new method based on acidic  
89 guanidiniumthiocyanate-phenol-chloroform (AGPC) phase partition. OOPS collects  
90 RBPs through the physical properties of RBPs, which remains at the interface between  
91 the water phase and the organic phase and does not require molecular tagging or capture  
92 of polyadenylated RNA. Through quantitative and sequencing analysis of the enriched  
93 RNA, it is proved that all cross-linked RNA were recovered without any systematic  
94 bias [34]. The results show that OOPS can overcome the drawbacks of mRNA  
95 extraction technology, which could not enrich RBPs that interacting with non-polyA  
96 RNAs and recover all cross-linked protein-RNA and free protein, or protein-bound  
97 RNA and free RNA in an unbiased way [34,39,40]. In addition, it is simpler to operate  
98 and it succeed in mammal cells and *Escherichia coli*. Therefore, OOPS may be an  
99 effective method to extend the RBPome in plants.

100       In this study, we tried to apply OOPS in plants and further emphasized its  
101 importance in plant physiology research. Plant-pathogen interaction and a typical  
102 PAMP were adopted to formulate the biological functions of RBPs. *Arabidopsis*  
103 *thaliana*-*Pst* DC3000, a typical plant-disease research model, was employed. The  
104 potent PAMP chitinpentaose was utilized as a conventional elicitor in our study.

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## 106 **2. Materials and methods**

### 107 **2.1. Plant Materials and Growth Conditions.**

108 Arabidopsis was grown in an environmentally controlled chamber under a 12-h-  
109 day/12-h-night cycle. Four-week-old plants were applied to carry out experiment.  
110 chitinpentase and water were uniformly sprayed on the surface of plant leaves three  
111 days before injecting *Pst* DC3000 (OD= 0.002) and 10 mM MgSO<sub>4</sub> was injected as  
112 control. After three days, four group samples, H<sub>2</sub>O+MgSO<sub>4</sub> (HM), H<sub>2</sub>O+*Pst* (HP),  
113 chitinpentase+MgSO<sub>4</sub> (CM), chitinpentase+*Pst* (CP) were collected. The disease  
114 index and colony count were counted as described previously [41]. The bacterial dose  
115 infiltrated into the leaves was  $1 \times 10^5$  CFU per square centimeter of leaf area (equivalent  
116 to an optical density at 600 nm = 0.002). According to the proportion (S) of necrotic  
117 lesion area on leaves, the symptoms of infected leaves were divided into four levels: 1  
118 ( $0 < S < 0.25$ ), 2 ( $0.25 < S < 0.5$ ), 3 ( $0.5 < S < 0.75$ ) and 4 ( $0.75 < S < 1$ ). The symptom  
119 data were obtained using the following formula: Disease index (%) =  $(+(\text{level} \times \text{leaves}$   
120  $\text{in the level}) \div \text{total leaves} \div \text{the highest level}) \times 100$ . We collected the whole plants as  
121 the next sample.

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### 123 **2.2. OOPS in *Arabidopsis thaliana*.**

124 The whole plant was placed on ice and UV cross-linking was performed by UV  
125 irradiation at 254 nm for 60 seconds (CL-1000 Ultraviolet Crosslinker; UVP). After  
126 grinding Arabidopsis into powder in liquid nitrogen, it was immediately added to acidic  
127 guanidinium-thiocyanate-phenol (Trizol) for lysed cells and incubated at room

128 temperature (RT) for 5 min to dissociate unstable RNA-protein interactions. For  
129 biphasic extraction, chloroform (Trizol: chloroform= 5:1(v/v)) were added and phases  
130 were vortexed. The sample was centrifuged for 15 min at 11000 rpm at 4°C. Interface  
131 (containing the protein-RNA adducts) was subjected to extra 2 times AGPC phase  
132 separation cycles, cryogenic overnight precipitated with 9 volumes of methanol at - 20°C  
133 and pelleted by centrifugation at 12000 rpm, 4°C for 15 min.

134 For RNA-binding protein analyses, the precipitated interface was resuspended in  
135 2 mL of 100 mM triethylammonium bicarbonate (TEAB), 1 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 1% SDS,  
136 incubated at 95°C for 20 min, cooled and digested with 20 µL RNase A, T1 mix (2  
137 mg/mL of RNase A and 5,000 U/mL of RNase T1, Thermo Fisher Scientific) for 2–3 h  
138 at 37°C. Another 20 µL of RNase mix was added and incubated overnight at 37°C, after  
139 which a final cycle of AGPC phase partitioning was performed and released proteins  
140 recovered from the organic phase by methanol precipitation.

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### 142 **2.3. Proteomic sample preparation.**

143 Protein sediment was dissolved in 100 mM Tris-HCl supplemented with 6 M  
144 guanidine hydrochloride (pH 8.0). Protein reduced by adding Dithiothreitol (DTT) to a  
145 final concentration of 20 mM and incubating for 2 h at 37°C to break the disulfide bond.  
146 Iodoacetamide, as an alkylating agent, was then added to a final concentration of 40  
147 mM to protect the sulfhydryl group from disulfide bond formation. The mixture was  
148 incubated for 60 min in dark. The proteins were then diluted 8-folds using 100 mM  
149 Tris-HCl (pH 8.0) and digested with trypsin (20:1) for 20 h at 37°C. Peptides were

150 acidified with 10% trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) (adjust pH to 2-3) and desalted on an  
151 HLB SPE cartridge (Waters, 60 mg). The desalted peptides were collected and dried by  
152 using Speed Vacuum dryer (Thermo Fisher).

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#### 154 **2.4. MS spectra processing and peptide and protein identification.**

155 Liquid chromatography (LC)-Mass spectrum/Mass spectrum (MS/MS) was  
156 performed on an LTQ Orbitrap Elite mass spectrometer equipped with an UltiMate  
157 3000 RSLC nano system (Thermo Fisher Scientific, USA). The peptides were loaded  
158 into the trap column (200  $\mu\text{m}$  i.d., 4 cm long, C18 AQ beads (5  $\mu\text{m}$ , 120  $\text{\AA}$ )) at the flow  
159 rate of 3.0  $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$  using 0.1% formic acid (Buffer A) in water for 10 min, and then  
160 separated at a 15-cm capillary analytical column (150  $\mu\text{m}$  i.d., C18 AQ beads (1.9  $\mu\text{m}$ ,  
161 120  $\text{\AA}$ )). The nano-LC gradient was set as followed at the flow rate of 300 nL/min: 2%  
162 Buffer B (80% Acetonitrile /0.1% formic acid) from 0 to 8 min, 10% solvent B at 10  
163 min, 45% solvent B at 100 min, 100% solvent B from 110 to 120 min and 2% solvent  
164 B from 125 to 130 min. The normalized collision energy was set as 35 for the peptide's  
165 analysis (Collision-Induced Dissociation (CID) mode). The resolution of full mass was  
166 set to 60,000 and the resolution of MS/MS was set to 15,000. Survey full scan MS was  
167 acquired from m/z 350 to 1800 and 20 most intense ions (charge 2-7) with the intensity  
168 threshold of  $5 \times 10^3$  were selected for MS/MS detection.

169 The raw data was analyzed using MaxQuant (version 1.5.8.3). Default parameters:  
170 an initial mass tolerance of  $\pm 20$  ppm and a final mass tolerance of 6 ppm for precursor  
171 ions, a mass tolerance of 0.5 Da for CID ion trap fragment ions, a minimum peptide

172 length of seven amino acids, enzyme specificity set as trypsin with two missed  
173 cleavages allowed. The false discovery rate for peptides, proteins was set as 1%.

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## 175 **2.5. Proteomics bioinformatics and data analysis.**

176 Among the three replicates at different processing samples, only proteins present  
177 in at least two replicates were retained. For quantitative experiments, peptide-level  
178 quantification was obtained by summing the quantification values for all peptides with  
179 the same sequence but different modifications. Gene Ontology (GO) terms, Interpro  
180 protein domains and Kyoto Encyclopedia of Genes and Genomes (KEGG) pathway  
181 annotations were obtained using Uniprot (<https://www.uniprot.org/>) and Interpro  
182 (<http://www.ebi.ac.uk/interpro/>).

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## 184 **3. Results and Discussion**

### 185 **3.1. 468 RBPs were identified by OOPS in Arabidopsis**

186 Four hundred and sixty-eight RBPs were identified by OOPS in *Arabidopsis* (Fig.  
187 1A) including 64 proteins that have been annotated as RBPs in GO database and 160  
188 proteins overlap with previously published RBPome dataset (Fig. 1B) [14,26-28].  
189 Many classical RBDs have been identified in our RBPome, such as RNA recognition  
190 motif domains, K homology domains, Like-Sm domains (Fig. 1C) [17]. Heat shock-  
191 related protein domains have been also identified in the proteome, which are  
192 noncanonical but reported as RNA-binding domains [27,28]. Alongside heat shock  
193 domain, we identified multiple nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide (NAD)-binding

194 domains, some of which have not been reported previously to interact with RNA. They  
195 included two sites within the NAD-binding pocket of glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate  
196 dehydrogenase (GAPDH) [42], which confirmed previous RNA-binding site  
197 predictions based on *in vitro* experiments [43]. The existence of GAPDH has been  
198 confirmed in the previous work of RBPome, both in plants[14] and mammals[34]. Not  
199 surprisingly, four peroxiredoxin proteins (three published RBPs and one candidate  
200 RBPs) were enriched and the post-transcriptional regulation of snoRNA expression by  
201 peroxiredoxin 1 has been reported recently [44]. All the above evidences showed the  
202 reliability of the method.

203 On this basis, more than 48% of the proteomes obtained via OOPS have been  
204 identified as RBPs, which greatly improves the reliability of applications of this method  
205 in plants. However, a large number of proteins (52%) were newly candidate RBPs in  
206 our results. Apart from experimental evidence, most RBPs were predicted and the most  
207 important prediction method was to capture mRNA by UV cross-linking. The further  
208 expansion of RBPs predicted by OOPS showed that the new method had the potential  
209 to break through the limitations of UV crosslinking. It will supplement and improve the  
210 existing results. Therefore, a considerable number of other RBPs, including long  
211 noncoding RNA, pre-mRNAs and so on, could be effectively and indiscriminately  
212 enriched by OOPS. Many factors, such as the growth period of plant materials, the time  
213 of ultraviolet irradiation and the selection of separation times, determined the amount  
214 of RBP enriched [28,34].

215 In *Arabidopsis* RBPome extracted by OOPS, subcellular localization covers all

216 organelles (Fig.1D). Chloroplast is a unique and important organelle in plants, which  
217 contains many special RBPs. The research on RBPs in chloroplast is a very important  
218 part of plant RBPs. The RBP proteome enriched by OOPS contained 8 ribosomal  
219 proteins that only existed in chloroplasts (30S/50S) (Table S1). Polyadenylation plays  
220 important roles in regulating the function and metabolism of RNAs [45] and it is also  
221 an important label of RBP enrichment method. However, polyadenylation in  
222 chloroplasts generally leads to RNA degradation, consistent with the bacterial origin of  
223 this organelle [46,47]. The previous methods should be improved in RBPs unique to  
224 chloroplasts. Therefore, the methods used previously in plants cannot enrich proteins  
225 without a poly(A) tail. Ribosomes from prokaryotes, eukaryotes, mitochondria and  
226 chloroplasts had characteristically distinct ribosomal proteins [48,49], which were  
227 mainly responsible for intracellular translation processes and were very important RBPs.  
228 The results showed that the method we adopted could extract ribosomal proteins from  
229 mitochondria and chloroplasts effectively, which did not harbor a poly(A) tail [45].  
230 Obviously, OOPS can enrich the rare RBPs from chloroplast, which provides an  
231 effective enrichment method and more possibilities for future research of RBPs in  
232 plants.

233 We successfully applied the OOPS to the detection of RBPome in *Arabidopsis*,  
234 and expanded the existing database, which provides technology and data support for  
235 more extensive research of RBPs in plants.

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237 **3.2. RBPs have multitudinous function**

238 In the early stage, the relationship between metabolism and RNA-based regulation  
239 of gene expression was formally proposed through the RNA, enzyme, and metabolism  
240 (REM) hypothesis [50]. Catalogues of mRNA interactors now suggest a more global  
241 functional relevance of enzymes moonlighting as RBPs[2]. In addition to enzymes  
242 controlling the fate of bound mRNA, the RNAs could in turn serve as regulators of  
243 enzymatic activity, for example through competition or allosteric activation/repression,  
244 or by acting as scaffold for the assembly of enzyme complexes [51]. Elucidating such  
245 phenomenon may lead to the discovery of novel RNA-based regulatory mechanisms  
246 [23,24,27,52,53]. There were also relevant research results in plants. ETHYLENE  
247 INSENSITIVE 2 (EIN2) previously used as a candidate RBP [27] had shown to act as  
248 a transcription factor in response to ethylene [54]. Furthermore, EIN2 has recently  
249 shown to regulate the translation of ethylene-responsive mRNAs through binding to  
250 their 3'-untranslated regions [2,55,56].

251 Among the accumulated proteomes, two hundred and thirty-two proteins had  
252 activities. They covered not only the catalytic reactions of various enzymes, including  
253 oxidoreductase, transferase, hydrolase, lyase, isomerase and ligase, but also a variety  
254 of functional proteins that were not enzymes, such as activator, inhibitor, transporter,  
255 and protein homologation, etc. And some of proteins even were bifunctional or  
256 trifunctional. It demonstrated that RBP was involved in a range of responses and the  
257 functional cognition has been greatly expanded and further illustrates the importance  
258 of RBP for plants (Fig. 2A, Table S2). Recent mRNA interactome data in eukaryotes  
259 revealed the conspicuous aspect that many enzymes had RNA binding functions.

260 It was worth mentioning that 17 peroxidases were enriched, including thioredoxin  
261 peroxidase, glutathione peroxidase and L-ascorbate peroxidase. Ascorbate peroxidase  
262 is a hydrogen peroxide-scavenging enzyme that is specific to plants and algae. It is  
263 indispensable to protect chloroplasts and other cell constituents from damage by  
264 hydrogen peroxide and hydroxyl radicals produced from it [57,58]. In previous studies,  
265 although it has been reported in the RBPs of human [25] and *Arabidopsis* [27], only  
266 a few peroxidases have been found to bind RNA, such as PkTPx-1, which was cloned  
267 and characterized thioredoxin peroxidase 1 from *P. knowlesi* and was able to bind to  
268 double-strand DNA and RNA and it had RNA chaperone activity in a nucleic acid  
269 melting assay [59]. The enrichment results and the RNA binding activity of the above  
270 non-plant-derived peroxidases undoubtedly suggested that peroxidase was a kind of  
271 probable RBPs. The 17 peroxidases identified by OOPS in *Arabidopsis* laid a  
272 substantial foundation for further study on the relationship between peroxidases and  
273 RNA.

274 The functions of RBPs stemmed from their ability to bind specific collections of  
275 RNA molecules. Once bound to their target RNAs, RBPs can perform or direct several  
276 post-transcriptional RNA regulatory or metabolic processes such as splicing, RNA  
277 chemical modification, decay, transport and RNA editing [60-62]. The fact that so many  
278 RBPs had activity suggested that a large number of significant RNAs had not yet been  
279 discovered. How the interaction between RNA and RBPs affects activities of RBPs may  
280 be the focus of future research. And the richness of RBP function will further emphasize  
281 its important role in plant research.

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### 283 **3.3. Identification of differential abundant RBPs under plant-pathogen interaction**

284 *Arabidopsis thaliana* - *Pst* DC3000 - chitinpentase was selected as a PAMP-  
285 induced plant-pathogens interaction system to explore whether OOPS can be used for  
286 the detection of differential RBPs under physiological conditions. The resistance  
287 induced by chitinpentase to *Pst* DC3000 was evaluated. The degree of leaf wilting and  
288 yellowing area were significantly reduced after chitinpentase treatment (Fig. 2B). The  
289 disease index in chitinpentase group was 37.71%, which was much lower than water  
290 treatment 73.15% (Fig. 2C). In order to further confirm the chitinpentase - induced  
291 resistance, the number of bacterial colonies was analyzed. It reached up to 410  
292  $\text{cfu} \times 10^5 / \text{cm}^2$  in water treatment group and in chitinpentase treatment it was 217  
293  $\text{cfu} \times 10^5 / \text{cm}^2$  (Fig. 2D).

294 In order to analyze differential abundant RBPs after chitinpentase and *Pst*  
295 DC3000 treatment, we compared RBPs in the two treatments and divided them into  
296  $\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{MgSO}_4$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{Pst DC3000}$  (HM-HP), chitinpentase +  $\text{MgSO}_4$  and  
297 chitinpentase + *Pst* DC3000 (CM-CP),  $\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{MgSO}_4$  and chitinpentase +  $\text{MgSO}_4$   
298 (HM-CM), as well as  $\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{Pst DC3000}$  and chitinpentase + *Pst* DC3000 (HP-CP).  
299 The differential abundant RBPs can be divided into two categories, namely the  
300 difference in quality and quantity. For qualitative analysis, we drew the Venn plot (Fig.  
301 S1). As to quantitative analysis, based on threshold screening ( $P < 0.05$ ), different  
302 abundant RBPs in 4 groups (HM-HP, CM-CP, HM-CM and HP-CP) were identified  
303 (Table S3). In HM-CM group, twenty-six differential abundant RBPs were identified

304 after chitinpentase treatment, sixteen of which were up-accumulated and ten were  
305 down-accumulated. What's more, forty-five differentially abundant RBPs were  
306 identified and quantified in HM-HP, almost two times than HM-CM. The results  
307 showed *Pst* DC3000 caused more RBPs compared chitinpentase and it as a pathogen  
308 with destructive virulence may trigger stronger and more complex responses. In CM-  
309 CP, fifty-one RBPs were only accumulated in CM, forty RBPs were accumulated in CP  
310 and 314 proteins were in common. Among these 314 proteins, thirty-six RBPs were  
311 differentially accumulated among which 13 were up-accumulated and 23 were down-  
312 accumulated (Table S3). There were 94 were not detected and 18 appeared after *Pst*  
313 DC3000 treatment in HP-CP (Fig. S1). The following analysis of individual treatments  
314 was carried out through analysis of HM-HP and CM-CP for *Pst* DC3000, HM-CM and  
315 HP-CP for chitinpentase, respectively.

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### 317 **3.4. Differential abundant RBPs influenced by *Pst* DC3000**

318 Differential abundant RBPs including those that appeared after treatment  
319 (according to Fig. S1) and had significant changes in quantity were analyzed under  
320 chitinpentase and *Pst* DC3000 treatment. Gene ontology (GO) analysis ( $P < 0.05$ ) was  
321 carried out to show biological process differential abundant RBPs participated in *Pst*  
322 DC3000 treatment (Table S4). Compared to HM, the differential RBPs mainly involved  
323 in response process, such as stimulus, metal ion, stress and hormone in HP group. *Pst*  
324 DC3000, as a biotic stimulus, triggers immune response in plant [63] (Fig. 3B).

325 To further identify the significant difference of the pathway between HM – HP and

326 CM-CP, we next drew Volcano map to clear accumulated RBPs with significant  
327 differences (more than twice fold changes and P value < 0.05) (Fig. 4) After *Pst* DC3000  
328 treatment, several RBPs such as lactate/malate dehydrogenase family protein involving  
329 in atabolism of carbohydrate were up-regulated in HM-HP group. In CM-CP group, key  
330 RBPs involved in primary cell wall synthesis (AT3G53430) [64] and Antioxidant  
331 Protein1 (AT1G66240) related to heavy metal stress were up-regulated [65].

332 KEGG pathway analysis was performed to understand specific biological function  
333 (Fig. 3). Interestingly, we found “Peroxisome” pathway was enriched in HM-HP group  
334 (Fig. 3C). Non-enzymatic cell redox buffer systems can occur in chloroplasts,  
335 cytoplasm and mitochondria and recent studies have shown that they can also occur in  
336 peroxisomes [66]. The accumulation of reactive oxygen species was increased after *Pst*  
337 DC3000 injection and there are high expression of peroxisome-associated genes  
338 regulating changes in reactive oxygen species [67]. Peroxisomes regulate cellular  
339 responses under stress conditions [68].

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### 341 **3.5. Differential abundant RBPs influenced by chitinpentase**

342 GO analysis was also applied to the chitinpentase treatment (Table S5). In HM-  
343 CM group, the chitinpentase activated the enrichment of RBPs with response activity,  
344 such as to stress, abiotic stimulus and inorganic substance (Table. S5).The  
345 chitinpentase as the main component of the fungal cell wall, is received by the plant  
346 signaling system to induce plants to develop disease resistance [69]. Plants apply  
347 induced defense mechanisms to combat the invasion of pathogens. After signal

348 recognition, multiple defense responses were detected in plants, including reactive  
349 oxygen species burst, increased transmembrane ion flux and response to other  
350 component [70-72].

351 Volcano map was drawn to understand the significant differential RBPs in HM-  
352 CM and HP-CP group. PDIL1-1 involved in drought stress [73] and AIG2-like  
353 (avirulence induced gene) family protein participating in early elicitor signaling [74]  
354 were induced by chitinpentase in HM-CM group.

355 KEGG pathway analysis was performed to understand specific biological function  
356 involved in chitinpentase-induced process. In HM-CM group, the metabolism  
357 pathways, such as fatty acid, pyrimidine and pyruvate metabolism, were up-regulated  
358 (Fig 3A). The “Photosynthesis” was exactly augmented in HP - CP group. Pathogen  
359 infection of plant results in modification of photosynthesis and defense mechanisms  
360 (Fig 3B)[75]. “Peroxisome” pathway was also up-regulated in HM-HP group, down-  
361 regulated in CM-CP group and no significance in HP-CP group. The results showed  
362 that both chitinpentase and *Pst* DC3000 could activate “Peroxisome” pathway. The  
363 pathway was induced strongly by chitinpentase before *Pst* injection (CM-CP) and  
364 returned to normal levels to HP after *Pst* injection (HP-CP). The chitinpentase may  
365 induce “Peroxisome” pathway to prevent *Arabidopsis thaliana* from diseases.

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#### 367 **4. Conclusions**

368 In summary, we have successfully extracted a large number of RBPs from  
369 *Arabidopsis thaliana* using OOPS and many of them have not been noticed before. The

370 results show that the OOPS method can complement the previous UV crosslinking  
371 method further expanding the number of RBP groups in Arabidopsis and it provides a  
372 broader platform for future research. Moreover, due to the difference of mass  
373 spectrometry detection methods and parameter settings, more enrichment methods have  
374 a great contribution to standardize the detection of RBP and improve the accuracy of  
375 the results. Based on the quantitative analysis of these proteins, we found enriched  
376 different RBPs involving in chitinpentase - *Arabidopsis* - *Pst* DC3000 interaction  
377 system tend to associate with stress response and immune process. These results further  
378 revealed the indispensable role of RBPs in the immune defense system and it provides  
379 a possible target for the study of plant immune defense mechanism. All of these  
380 possibilities emphasize that OOPS also has a very wide application value in plants.

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572 **Figure Legends**

573 **Fig 1 OOPS in *Arabidopsis thaliana*.** A), Schematic representation of the OOPS  
574 method to extract PBR. Cells are cross-linked to induce RNA–protein adducts, which  
575 are drawn simultaneously to the organic and aqueous phases in AGPC and thus remain  
576 at the interface. RNase digestion and a further AGPC separation yields protein in the  
577 organic phase. B), Classification and proportion of proteome based on identification.  
578 ribosomal protein, annotated as ribosomal protein in Uniprot and Interpro; Go: RBPs,  
579 annotated as RBPs in the GO database and except for those labeled as ribosomal  
580 proteins; mRNA-captured, reported by previous RNA-binding proteomic literature in  
581 *Arabidopsis thaliana*[14,26-28]. C), Specific domain of each protein in the RBPome.  
582 D), Subcellular localization in the RBPome. OOPS, Orthogonal Organic Phase  
583 Separation; AGPC, acidic guanidiniumthiocyanate-phenol-chloroform.

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585 **Fig. 2. The effect of COS in induced resistance.** A) Classification of protein functions  
586 of *Arabidopsis* RBPome. B) Phenotypic symptoms of *Arabidopsis* leaves. C) The  
587 disease index which evaluated the disease symptoms on *Pst* DC3000 infected eaves. D)  
588 Bacterial growth assay of *Pst* DC3000 in per cm<sup>2</sup> of leaf tissues. HM, H<sub>2</sub>O+MgSO<sub>4</sub>;  
589 HP, H<sub>2</sub>O+*Pst*; CM, chitinpentase+MgSO<sub>4</sub>; CP, chitinpentase+*Pst*. Values are as the  
590 means ± SD in three independent measurements. Asterisks indicate significant  
591 differences (\*\*P < 0.01; \*\*\*P < 0.001).

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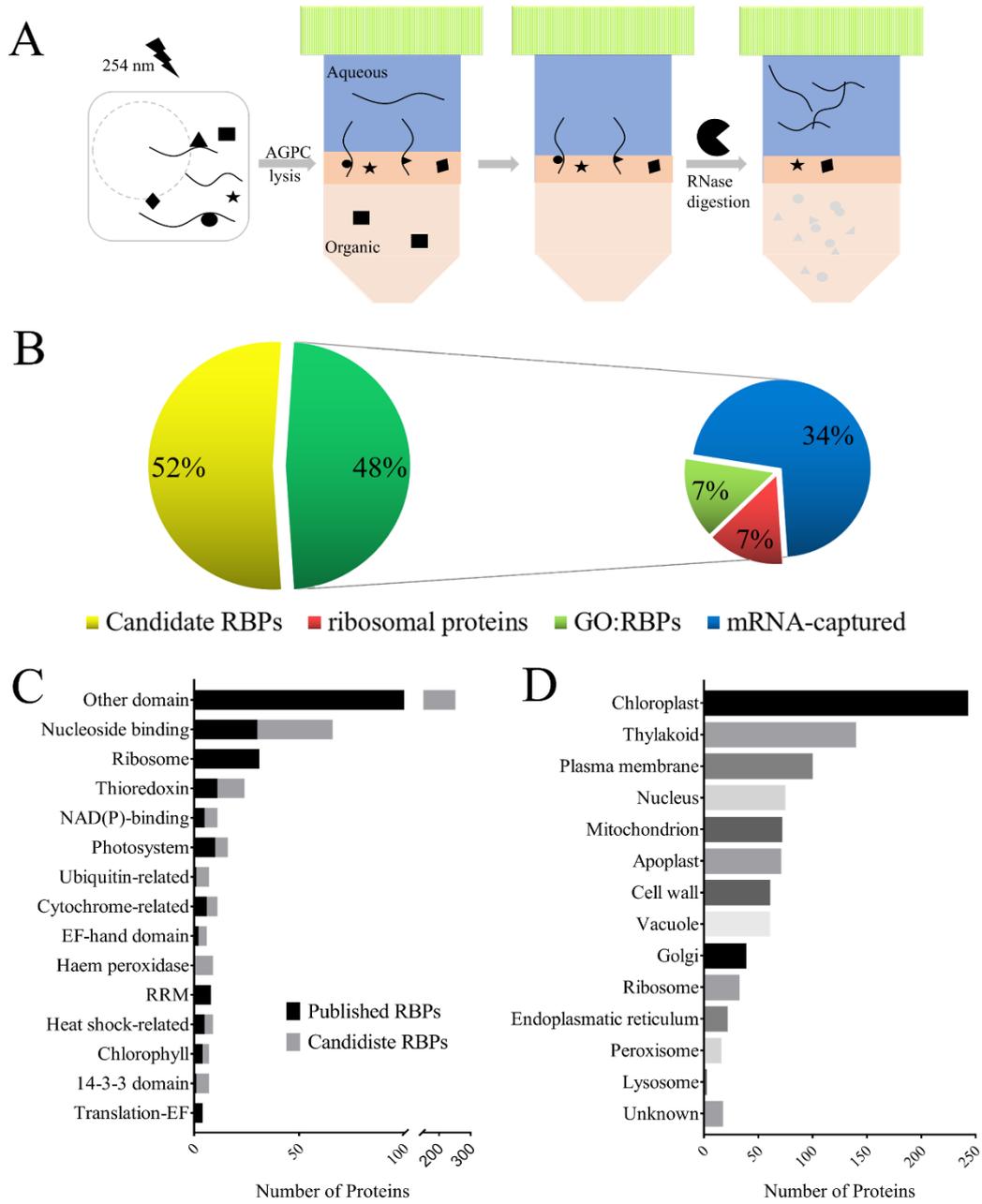
593 **Fig. 3. KEGG pathway analysis for the differential abundant RBPs.** A) Up-

594 regulated RBPs in HM-CM group. B) Up-regulated RBPs in HP-CP group. C) Up-  
595 regulated RBPs in HM-HP group. D) Up-regulated RBPs in CM-CP group.

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597 **Fig. 4. Volcano map of four groups.** A), significant differential abundant RBPs in HM-  
598 HP. B), significant differential abundant RBPs in CM-CP. C), significant differential  
599 abundant RBPs in CM-HM. D), significant differential abundant RBPs in HP-CP. FC  
600 means “fold changes after treatment”; The red dot and green dot mean up- regulated  
601 and down-regulated protein.

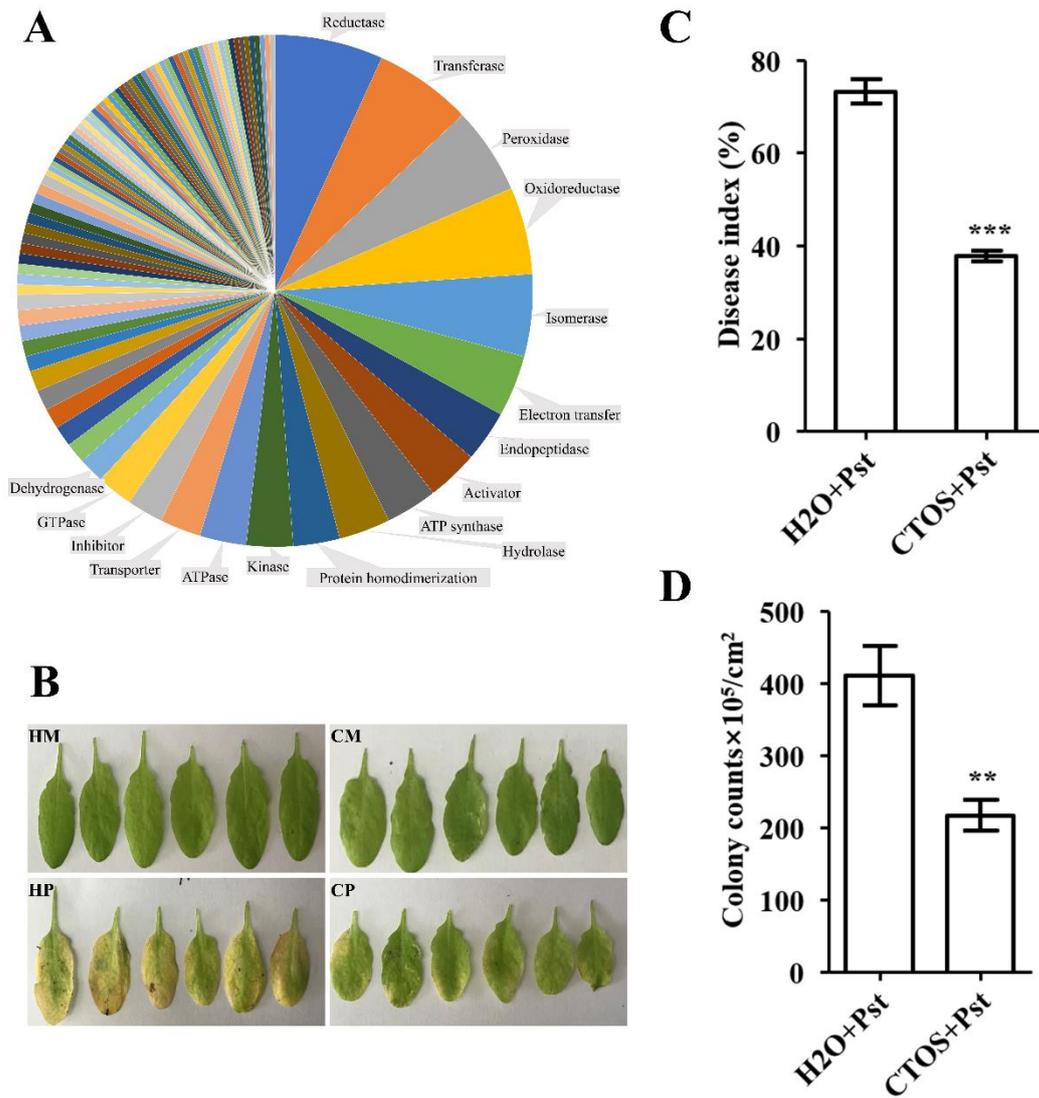
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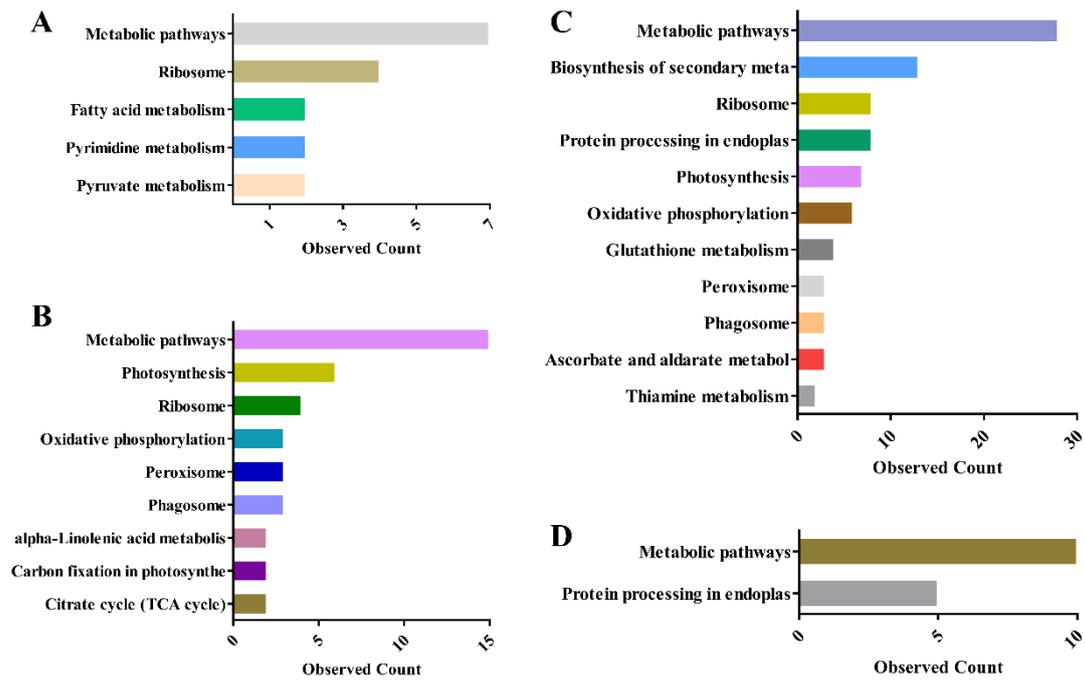
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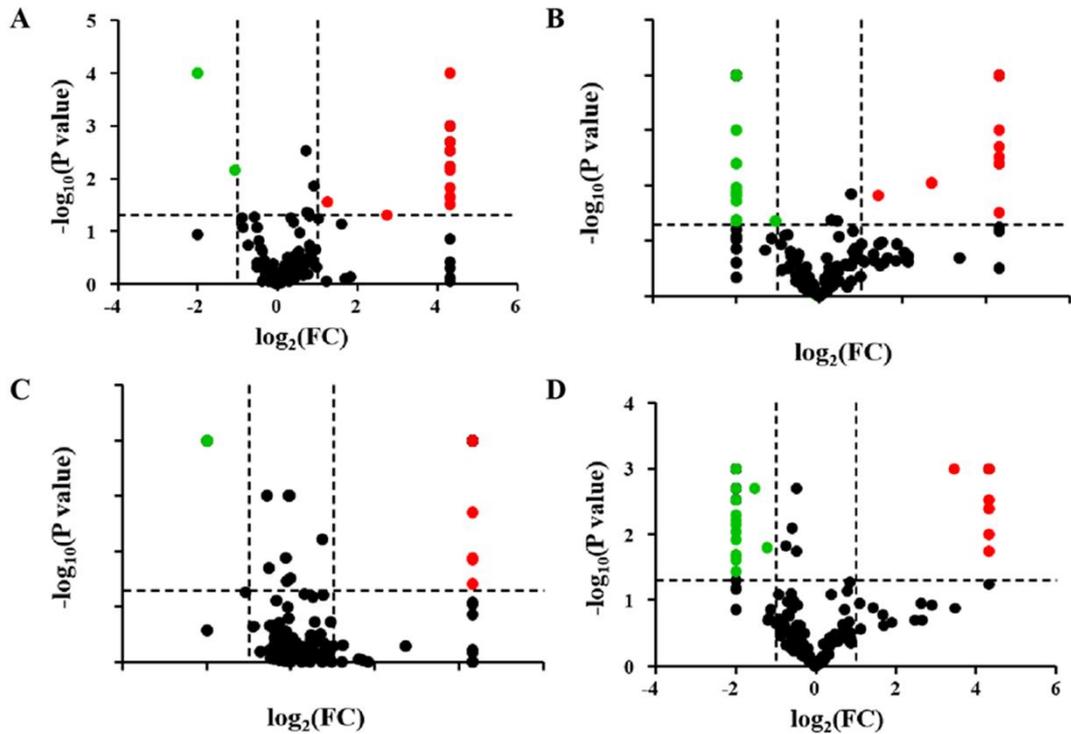
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611 **Supplementary material**

612 **Supplemental Table 1.** Ribosomal proteins localized only in chloroplasts.

613 **Supplemental Table 2.** Statistics and analysis of RBPs activity in *Arabidopsis*.

614 **Supplemental Table 3.** Differentially RBPs in CM-CP, HM-HP, HM-CM and HP-CP.

615 **Supplemental Table 4.** GO analysis of up-regulated RBPs after *Pst* DC3000 treatment

616 **Supplemental Table 5.** GO analysis of up-regulated RBPs after chitinpentase

617 treatment

618 **Supplemental Figure 1.** Venn plot of RBPs in different treatment group.

619 **Supplemental Excel 1.** RBPome Data.

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621 **Table S1** Ribosomal proteins localized only in chloroplasts.

Locus	Entry name	Protein name
AT4G34620	RS16A_ARATH	30S ribosomal protein S16-1
AT1G79850	RR17_ARATH	30S ribosomal protein S17
AT3G52150	PSRP2_ARATH	30S ribosomal protein 2
AT5G24490	Q94K97_ARATH	30S ribosomal protein
AT3G63490	RK1_ARATH	50S ribosomal protein L1
AT3G27850	RK123_ARATH	50S ribosomal protein L12-3
AT1G75350	RK31_ARATH	50S ribosomal protein L31
AT1G35680	RK21_ARATH	50S ribosomal protein L21

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**Table S2** Statistics and analysis of RBPs activity in *Arabidopsis*.

Activity	Number	Protein
<b>Reductase</b>	21	AT4G27440; AT4G03520; AT3G15360; AT5G42980; AT5G40370; AT1G76160; AT4G03280; AT1G23740; AT1G06820; AT2G19940; AT1G03680; AT1G45145; AT3G02730; AT5G16400; AT1G50320; AT5G20500; AT3G54900; AT2G20270; AT5G23395; AT4G37925; AT1G51980
<b>Transferase</b>	21	AT4G02520; AT2G30860; AT1G16880; AT1G62780; AT5G17920; AT5G54770; AT1G19570; AT5G16710; AT1G78870; AT2G33150; AT3G28930; AT3G28940; AT1G10095; AT4G34050; AT1G23320; AT1G27450; AT1G42480; AT4G34180; AT4G39640; AT3G53900; AT2G32520
<b>Peroxidase</b>	17	AT3G26060; AT3G06050; AT4G02520; AT2G30860; AT3G11630; AT1G35720; AT1G07890; AT2G37130; AT2G38380; AT3G28200; AT3G49110; AT3G49120; AT3G32980; AT5G05340; AT5G64120; AT5G20500; AT2G25080
<b>Oxidoreductase</b>	17	AT4G03520; AT3G15360; AT5G42980; AT5G40370; AT1G76160; AT1G06820; AT1G03680; AT1G45145; AT3G02730; AT5G16400; AT1G50320; AT5G20500; AT3G54900; AT2G20270; AT5G23395; AT4G37925; AT1G51980
<b>Isomerase</b>	16	AT1G75690; AT1G21750; AT3G55440; AT2G16600; AT4G34870; AT3G04790; AT1G06820; AT2G47470; AT4G38740; AT3G56070; AT3G01480; AT2G43560; AT3G25220; AT4G39710; AT5G16440; AT3G02780
<b>Electron transfer</b>	12	AT5G40370; ATCG01060; ATCG00340; ATCG00580; ATCG00540; AT5G20500; AT3G54900; AT2G20270; AT1G76100; AT4G27520; AT4G14890; AT2G27510
<b>Endopeptidase</b>	10	AT2G30950; AT1G47128; AT3G14290; AT1G12410; AT4G21650; AT1G11910; AT1G09750; AT1G79330; AT3G27925; AT1G51980
<b>Activator</b>	10	AT4G00810; AT5G47700; AT1G01100; AT4G03520; AT3G15360; AT2G39730; AT1G03680; AT3G02730; AT5G16400; AT1G50320
<b>ATP synthase</b>	10	AT5G08690; AT3G01390; ATCG00130; AT4G04640; AT5G47030; AT4G09650; AT5G13450; ATCG00470; ATCG00480; ATCG00120

<b>Protein homodimerization</b>	10	AT1G26110; AT4G38710; AT3G26650; AT1G35720; AT1G32060; AT4G25530; AT5G54770; AT5G17710; AT4G26780; AT1G03475
<b>Hydrolase</b>	10	AT4G32260; AT3G52300; AT1G29660; AT1G29670; AT3G14210; AT5G16440; AT3G02780; AT4G39640; AT2G32520; AT2G21620
<b>Kinase</b>	10	AT5G21222; AT3G12780; AT1G79550; AT1G32060; AT5G63400; AT5G50370; AT5G26667; AT4G09320; AT4G36080; AT2G17530
<b>ATPase</b>	9	AT1G12840; AT4G23710; AT5G42020; AT3G09440; AT4G24190; AT3G01390; AT4G11150; AT3G47520; AT1G09170
<b>Transporter</b>	8	AT4G32260; AT3G52300; AT5G43970; AT5G62810; AT5G28750; AT5G58070; AT1G57943; AT4G15545
<b>Inhibitor</b>	8	AT3G15360; AT1G03680; AT3G02730; AT5G12140; AT3G14310; AT1G44980; AT5G56260; AT1G71950
<b>GTPase</b>	7	AT5G60390; AT4G20360; AT4G20890; AT1G20010; AT4G14960; AT4G33650; AT4G02510
<b>Dehydrogenase</b>	5	AT2G20360; AT3G15020; AT1G04410; AT3G47520; AT1G16700
<b>Nucleotide exchange factor</b>	5	AT1G30230; AT5G19510; AT5G17710; AT4G26780; AT1G51160
<b>Superoxide dismutase</b>	4	AT2G28190; AT1G08830; AT3G10920; AT5G51100
<b>Translation elongation factor</b>	4	AT5G60390; AT5G19510; AT1G30230; AT4G20360
<b>Ubiquitin conjugating enzyme</b>	4	AT1G78870; AT1G16890; AT3G52560; AT2G36060
<b>Nutrient reservoir</b>	4	AT5G24780; AT1G72610; AT5G20630; AT5G58070
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<b>ATP-dependent peptidase</b>	3	AT2G30950; AT5G50920; AT1G12410
<b>DNA binding transcription factor</b>	3	AT4G19520; AT2G33880; AT4G25530
<b>Lyase</b>	3	AT1G08110; AT1G23320; AT5G57040
<b>Protein dimerization</b>	3	AT3G28857; AT2G19940; AT4G22670
<b>Protein heterodimerization</b>	3	AT5G54640; AT5G02570; AT5G59970
<b>Photosynthesis</b>	3	ATCG00280; AT4G21280; AT4G05180
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<b>Monooxygenase</b>	2	AT5G38410; ATCG00490
<b>Oxygen evolving</b>	2	AT5G66570; AT3G50820

<b>Glutathione dehydrogenase (ascorbate)</b>	2	AT1G19570; AT5G16710
<b>Pectinesterase</b>	2	AT3G14310; AT1G44980
<b>Catalase</b>	2	AT1G20620; AT4G39730
<b>Ribulose-bisphosphate carboxylase</b>	2	AT5G38410; ATCG00490
<b>Enzyme regulator</b>	2	AT4G04640; AT2G39730
<b>Acid phosphatase</b>	2	AT5G24780; AT1G54780
<b>Carbonate dehydratase</b>	2	AT3G01500; AT5G14740
<b>Aspartyl esterase</b>	2	AT3G14310; AT1G44980
<b>Cytochrome c oxidase</b>	2	AT3G15640; AT1G80230
<b>Structural molecule</b>	1	AT2G40060
<b>Oxygen carrier</b>	1	AT3G10520
<b>2-alkenal reductase (NADP+)</b>	1	AT1G23740
<b>4-hydroxy-4-methyl-2-oxoglutarate aldolase</b>	1	AT5G56260
<b>DNA polymerase processivity factor</b>	1	AT2G29570
<b>DNA primer / DNA polymerase</b>	1	AT5G67100
<b>G protein-coupled receptor</b>	1	AT4G02510
<b>NAD(P)+ transhydrogenase</b>	1	AT3G47520
<b>NAD(P)H dehydrogenase (quinone)</b>	1	AT5G54500
<b>SNAP receptor</b>	1	AT3G11820
<b>UDP-glucose 4-epimerase</b>	1	AT1G09340
<b>Alpha-L-arabinofuranosidase</b>	1	AT5G49360
<b>Cysteine-type peptidase</b>	1	AT1G47128
<b>Pyruvate dehydrogenase (acetyl-transferring)</b>	1	AT5G50850
<b>Primary amine oxidase</b>	1	AT4G12290
<b>Methionine synthase</b>	1	AT5G17920
<b>Protein tyrosine phosphatase</b>	1	AT3G44620
<b>Porin/voltage-gated anion channel</b>	1	AT5G67500
<b>Toxin</b>	1	AT1G66100
<b>Translation release factor</b>	1	AT5G47880

<b>Antiporter</b>	1	AT3G54900
<b>Ubiquitin protein ligase</b>	1	AT5G42940
<b>Arylformamidase</b>	1	AT4G34180
<b>Coproporphyrinogen oxidase</b>	1	AT1G03475
<b>Glycerophosphodiester phosphodiesterase</b>	1	AT1G66970
<b>Sedoheptulose-bisphosphatase</b>	1	AT3G55800
<b>Glutamate-ammonia ligase</b>	1	AT5G35630
<b>Glutaminyl-tRNA synthase (glutamine-hydrolyzing)</b>	1	AT4G32915
<b>Pectin acetylesterase</b>	1	AT4G19410
<b>Fructose-bisphosphate aldolase</b>	1	AT2G21330
<b>Fructose 1,6-bisphosphate 1-phosphatase</b>	1	AT3G55800
<b>Ribonuclease</b>	1	AT3G14290
<b>Ribulose-1,5-bisphosphate carboxylase/oxygenase activator</b>	1	AT2G39730
<b>Metallopeptidase</b>	1	AT2G30950
<b>Arginase</b>	1	AT4G08870
<b>Methyl indole-3-acetate esterase</b>	1	AT2G23570
<b>Xylan 1,4-beta-xylosidase</b>	1	AT5G49360
<b>Ferroxidase</b>	1	AT5G01600
<b>Deaminase</b>	1	AT3G20390
<b>Abscisic acid glucose ester beta-glucosidase</b>	1	AT1G52400
<b>Microtubule motor</b>	1	AT1G09170
<b>Inorganic diphosphatase</b>	1	AT5G09650
<b>Cellulase</b>	1	AT3G57260
<b>Acyl carrier</b>	1	AT1G65290
<b>Adenosylhomocysteinase</b>	1	AT4G13940
<b>Nitrite reductase [NAD(P)H]</b>	1	AT1G71500
<b>Linoleate 13S-lipoxygenase</b>	1	AT3G45140
<b>Acetyl-CoA carboxylase</b>	1	AT5G16390
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<b>Lipoate synthase</b>	1	AT5G23440
<b>Transcription corepressor</b>	1	AT4G15802
<b>Transketolase</b>	1	AT3G60750

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626 **Table S3.** Differentially expressed RBPs in CM-CP, HM-HP, HM-CM and HP-CP.

Group	Number	ID	Fold	Group	Number	ID	Fold		
CM-CP	Down-regulated proteins	24	AT1G21750	-	HM-CM	Down-regulated proteins	10	AT4G15545	-
		AT3G52150	-	AT5G03850			-		
		AT4G24770	-	AT5G28750			-		
		AT5G47030	-	AT3G53430			-		
		AT2G25970	-	AT4G11150			-		
		AT1G03680	-	AT4G32915			-		
		AT4G02520	-	AT5G59970			1.39		
		AT3G54900	-	AT3G01500			1.46		
		ATCG01060	-	AT3G05900			-		
		AT5G59970	-	AT1G55490			-		
		AT3G50360	-	AT3G54900	0				
		AT1G20440	-	AT4G24770	0				
		ATCG00540	-	AT4G34120	0				
		AT3G55800	-	AT3G47070	0				
		AT2G24020	-	AT5G15970	0				
		AT2G35370	-	AT1G72610	0				
		AT5G35630	-	AT3G28940	0				
		AT4G23890	-	AT4G04020	0				
		AT4G02530	-	AT5G35630	0				
		AT5G15970	-	AT4G23890	0				
		AT2G43560	-	AT2G24020	0				
		AT4G13340	-	AT1G04410	0				
		AT4G34120	-	AT1G21750	0				
		AT2G39730	2.07	AT5G39570	0				
CM-CP	Up-regulated proteins	12	AT4G21650	0	HM-CM	Up-regulated proteins	16	AT3G50360	0
		AT4G38740	0	AT4G02520			0		
		AT2G44920	0	AT3G01390			2.32		
		AT5G22580	0	AT3G52150			-		
		AT1G73230	0	AT3G23400			-		
		AT4G04020	0.81	AT4G14890			-		
		AT3G47070	0.74	AT5G59310			-		
		AT3G16140	0	AT4G15545			-		
		AT1G66240	0	AT4G34120			-		
		AT1G42970	0.37	AT4G13340			-		
		AT2G37270	0	AT4G04020	1.41				
		AT3G53430	0	AT2G01520	-				
HM-HP	Down-regulated proteins	3	AT5G13450	-	HP-CP	Down-regulated proteins	50	AT2G43560	-
		AT4G11150	-	AT4G02530			-		
		AT1G29660	2.12	AT1G55490			-		
HM-HP		42	AT3G54900	0			AT1G24020	2.87	
		AT5G03850	0.6	AT5G62810			-		



**Table S4.** GO analysis of up-regulated RBPs after *Pst* DC3000 treatment.

GO ID	Description	observed count	P-value
GO:0010038	response to metal ion	21	2.41E-12
GO:0042221	response to chemical	46	2.95E-12
GO:0050896	response to stimulus	64	2.95E-12
GO:0010035	response to inorganic substance	26	4.88E-12
GO:0046686	response to cadmium ion	17	2.30E-11
GO:0006950	response to stress	46	3.57E-11
GO:0009725	response to hormone	31	9.34E-10
GO:0098869	cellular oxidant detoxification	13	1.19E-09
GO:0055114	oxidation-reduction process	29	1.23E-09
GO:0009735	response to cytokinin	13	5.37E-09
GO:0009628	response to abiotic stimulus	29	1.69E-07
GO:0009651	response to salt stress	16	1.88E-07
GO:0033554	cellular response to stress	19	7.64E-07
GO:0009409	response to cold	13	1.02E-06
GO:0009266	response to temperature stimulus	15	1.47E-06
GO:0010043	response to zinc ion	6	4.66E-06
GO:0051716	cellular response to stimulus	32	6.25E-06
GO:0009987	cellular process	81	6.43E-06
GO:0006979	response to oxidative stress	12	2.12E-05
GO:0070887	cellular response to chemical stimulus	21	2.51E-05
GO:0006457	protein folding	7	0.00013
GO:0072593	reactive oxygen species metabolic process	7	0.00013
GO:0006518	peptide metabolic process	12	0.00028
GO:0034599	cellular response to oxidative stress	6	0.00028
GO:1901566	organonitrogen compound biosynthetic process	19	0.00028
GO:0043603	cellular amide metabolic process	13	0.00037
GO:0051186	cofactor metabolic process	12	0.00037
GO:0008152	metabolic process	71	0.0004
GO:0045454	cell redox homeostasis	6	0.001
GO:1901700	response to oxygen-containing compound	19	0.0013
GO:0006301	postreplication repair	3	0.0014
GO:0006091	generation of precursor metabolites and energy	9	0.0019
GO:0042744	hydrogen peroxide catabolic process	5	0.0021
GO:0051704	multi-organism process	19	0.0023
GO:0000302	response to reactive oxygen species	6	0.0024
GO:1901564	organonitrogen compound metabolic process	37	0.0024
GO:0042743	hydrogen peroxide metabolic process	5	0.0026
GO:0065003	protein-containing complex assembly	9	0.0027
GO:0044237	cellular metabolic process	61	0.0036
GO:0043604	amide biosynthetic process	10	0.0037
GO:0016999	antibiotic metabolic process	6	0.0041

GO:0034976	response to endoplasmic reticulum stress	4	0.0041
GO:0034622	cellular protein-containing complex assembly	8	0.0046
GO:0051707	response to other organism	15	0.0047
GO:0006412	Translation	9	0.0051
GO:0022618	ribonucleoprotein complex assembly	5	0.006
GO:0006952	defense response	16	0.0077
GO:0009605	response to external stimulus	17	0.0091
GO:0010188	response to microbial phytotoxin	2	0.0092
GO:0010731	protein glutathionylation	2	0.0092
GO:0009617	response to bacterium	8	0.0093
GO:0070925	organelle assembly	5	0.0095
GO:0042255	ribosome assembly	4	0.0097
GO:0065008	regulation of biological quality	14	0.0114
GO:0000028	ribosomal small subunit assembly	3	0.0117
GO:0044248	cellular catabolic process	16	0.0117
GO:0044281	small molecule metabolic process	17	0.0136
GO:0022900	electron transport chain	5	0.0157
GO:0070534	protein K63-linked ubiquitination	2	0.0157
GO:0009631	cold acclimation	3	0.0175
GO:0009793	embryo development ending in seed dormancy	7	0.0175
GO:0006996	organelle organization	15	0.0183
GO:0034614	cellular response to reactive oxygen species	3	0.0183
GO:0009056	catabolic process	17	0.0219
GO:0001101	response to acid chemical	13	0.0228
GO:0019430	removal of superoxide radicals	2	0.0228
GO:0006974	cellular response to DNA damage stimulus	6	0.0291
GO:0048316	seed development	8	0.0291
GO:0098542	defense response to other organism	11	0.0307
GO:0016043	cellular component organization	21	0.0326
GO:0022613	ribonucleoprotein complex biogenesis	6	0.0329
GO:0046940	nucleoside monophosphate phosphorylation	2	0.033
GO:0009737	response to abscisic acid	8	0.0366
GO:0017144	drug metabolic process	9	0.0366
GO:0042592	homeostatic process	8	0.0366
GO:0071840	cellular component organization or biogenesis	22	0.0367
GO:0006749	glutathione metabolic process	3	0.039
GO:0015979	Photosynthesis	5	0.039
GO:0006525	arginine metabolic process	2	0.0401

**Table S5.** GO analysis of up-regulated RBPs after chitinpentase treatment.

GO ID	Description	observed count	P-value
GO:0006950	response to stress	27	3.51E-07
GO:0009628	response to abiotic stimulus	21	3.51E-07
GO:0050896	response to stimulus	34	8.34E-07
GO:0055114	oxidation-reduction process	18	8.34E-07
GO:0010035	response to inorganic substance	14	1.27E-06
GO:0042221	response to chemical	24	1.27E-06
GO:0009409	response to cold	10	1.76E-06
GO:0006091	generation of precursor metabolites and energy	10	2.03E-06
GO:0009987	cellular process	49	2.03E-06
GO:0009266	response to temperature stimulus	11	3.67E-06
GO:0010043	response to zinc ion	5	7.03E-06
GO:0006970	response to osmotic stress	11	9.09E-06
GO:0009651	response to salt stress	10	2.09E-05
GO:0098869	cellular oxidant detoxification	7	2.09E-05
GO:0009735	response to cytokinin	7	4.79E-05
GO:0015979	Photosynthesis	7	4.95E-05
GO:0009617	response to bacterium	8	0.00019
GO:0010033	response to organic substance	16	0.00019
GO:0019684	photosynthesis, light reaction	5	0.00019
GO:0010038	response to metal ion	8	0.00028
GO:0006996	organelle organization	13	0.00043
GO:0042742	defense response to bacterium	7	0.00043
GO:0009607	response to biotic stimulus	12	0.00045
GO:0009725	response to hormone	14	0.00045
GO:0045454	cell redox homeostasis	5	0.00045
GO:0009642	response to light intensity	5	0.00072
GO:0009644	response to high light intensity	4	0.001
GO:0006979	response to oxidative stress	7	0.0012
GO:0022900	electron transport chain	5	0.0012
GO:0007031	peroxisome organization	3	0.0018
GO:0034599	cellular response to oxidative stress	4	0.0021
GO:0043603	cellular amide metabolic process	8	0.003
GO:1901700	response to oxygen-containing compound	12	0.003
GO:0043604	amide biosynthetic process	7	0.0044
GO:0098542	defense response to other organism	9	0.0044
GO:0006518	peptide metabolic process	7	0.005
GO:0006952	defense response	11	0.005
GO:0044281	small molecule metabolic process	12	0.005
GO:0051707	response to other organism	10	0.0051
GO:0065008	regulation of biological quality	10	0.0051
GO:0016043	cellular component organization	15	0.0057

GO:0008152	metabolic process	38	0.006
GO:0006605	protein targeting	4	0.0067
GO:0055086	nucleobase-containing small molecule metabolic process	6	0.0083
GO:0065002	intracellular protein transmembrane transport	3	0.0091
GO:0010205	Photoinhibition	2	0.0093
GO:0044237	cellular metabolic process	34	0.0093
GO:0006412	Translation	6	0.0095
GO:0010206	photosystem II repair	2	0.0098
GO:0009414	response to water deprivation	5	0.01
GO:0009161	ribonucleoside monophosphate metabolic process	4	0.0102
GO:0009695	jasmonic acid biosynthetic process	2	0.0103
GO:0017144	drug metabolic process	7	0.0103
GO:1901566	organonitrogen compound biosynthetic process	10	0.0103
GO:0072594	establishment of protein localization to organelle	4	0.0112
GO:0001101	response to acid chemical	9	0.0121
GO:0006886	intracellular protein transport	5	0.0128
GO:0009117	nucleotide metabolic process	5	0.0128
GO:0006754	ATP biosynthetic process	3	0.0144
GO:0009793	embryo development ending in seed dormancy	5	0.0144
GO:0009694	jasmonic acid metabolic process	2	0.0155
GO:0031408	oxylipin biosynthetic process	2	0.0155
GO:0042592	homeostatic process	6	0.0155
GO:0031407	oxylipin metabolic process	2	0.0159
GO:0009657	plastid organization	4	0.0163
GO:0051186	cofactor metabolic process	6	0.0169
GO:0009165	nucleotide biosynthetic process	4	0.0183
GO:0019637	organophosphate metabolic process	6	0.0183
GO:0006662	glycerol ether metabolic process	2	0.0193
GO:0017038	protein import	3	0.0194
GO:0007005	mitochondrion organization	3	0.0195
GO:0009168	purine ribonucleoside monophosphate biosynthetic process	3	0.0195
GO:0072521	purine-containing compound metabolic process	4	0.0195
GO:0015986	ATP synthesis coupled proton transport	2	0.0203
GO:0051187	cofactor catabolic process	3	0.0206
GO:0009416	response to light stimulus	6	0.0218
GO:0046034	ATP metabolic process	3	0.0244
GO:0006457	protein folding	3	0.0248
GO:0072593	reactive oxygen species metabolic process	3	0.0248
GO:0071826	ribonucleoprotein complex subunit organization	3	0.0255
GO:0006626	protein targeting to mitochondrion	2	0.0272
GO:0009767	photosynthetic electron transport chain	2	0.0273

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GO:0044743	protein transmembrane import into intracellular organelle	2	0.029
GO:0009631	cold acclimation	2	0.0298
GO:0046686	response to cadmium ion	4	0.0304
GO:0034440	lipid oxidation	2	0.0312
GO:0000302	response to reactive oxygen species	3	0.0326
GO:0009167	purine ribonucleoside monophosphate metabolic process	3	0.0326
GO:0055085	transmembrane transport	8	0.0363
GO:0009737	response to abscisic acid	5	0.0436
GO:0016999	antibiotic metabolic process	3	0.0443
GO:1901564	organonitrogen compound metabolic process	18	0.0477

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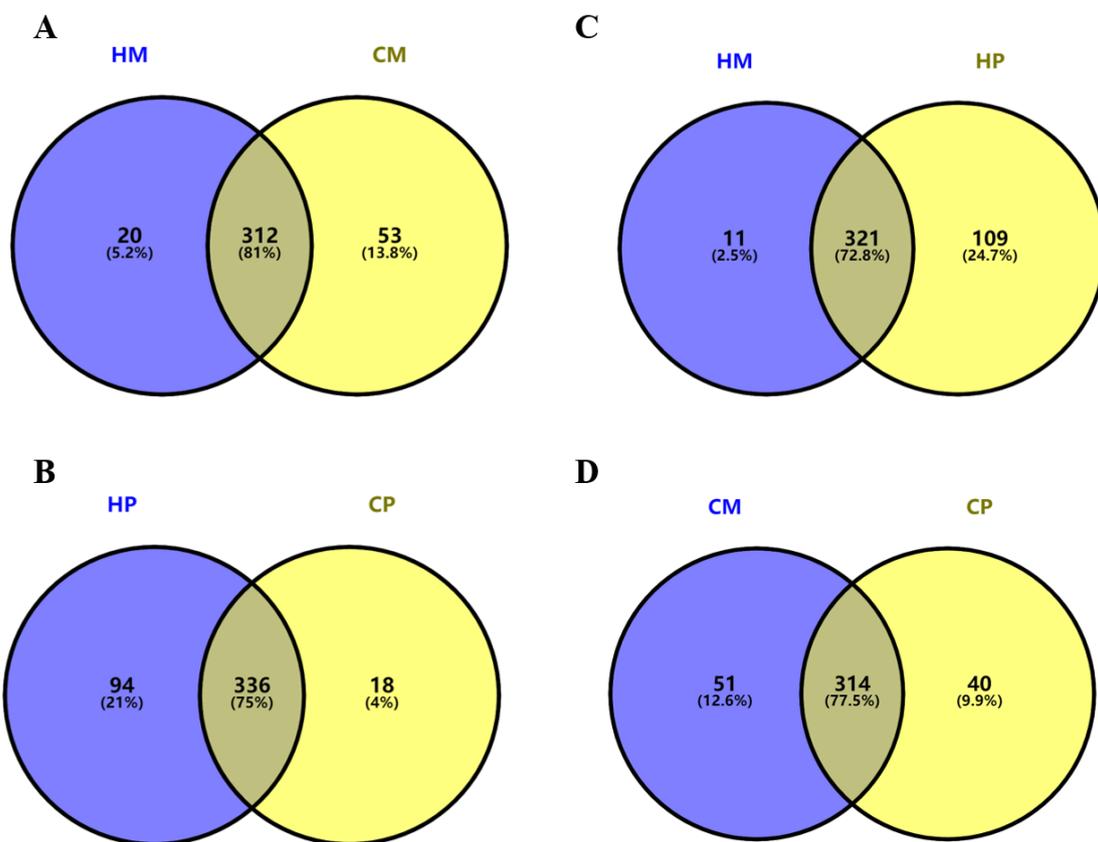


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