

1 **Evolutionary trade-offs at the *Arabidopsis WRR4A* resistance locus**
2 **underpin alternate *Albugo candida* race recognition specificities**

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26 **Running head:**

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38 **Summary:**

39 The oomycete *Albugo candida* causes white rust of Brassicaceae, including vegetable and
40 oilseed crops, and wild relatives such as *Arabidopsis thaliana*. Novel *White Rust Resistance*
41 (*WRR*)-genes from *Arabidopsis* enable new insights into plant/parasite co-evolution. *WRR4A*
42 from *Arabidopsis* accession Col-0 provides resistance to many but not all white rust races,
43 and encodes a nucleotide-binding (NB), leucine-rich repeat (LRR) (NLR) immune receptor.
44 Col-0 *WRR4A* resistance is broken by AcEx1, an isolate of *A. candida*. We identified an allele
45 of *WRR4A* in *Arabidopsis* accession Oy-0 and other accessions that confers full resistance to
46 AcEx1. *WRR4A^{Oy-0}* carries a C-terminal extension required for recognition of AcEx1, but
47 reduces recognition of several effectors recognized by the *WRR4A^{Col-0}* allele. *WRR4A^{Oy-0}*
48 confers full resistance to AcEx1 when expressed in the oilseed crop *Camelina sativa*.

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50 **Introduction:**

51 Plants have evolved powerful defence mechanisms that can arrest attempted colonization by
52 microbial pathogens. Timely defence activation requires perception of pathogen-derived
53 molecules by cell-surface pattern-recognition receptors (PRRs) and intracellular Nucleotide-
54 binding (NB), Leucine-rich repeat (LRR), or NLR, immune receptors (Jones and Dangl, 2006).
55 Extensive NLR genetic diversity within plant populations is associated with robustness of NLR-
56 mediated immunity (Baggs *et al.*, 2017), and plant NLR sequences reveal diversifying
57 selection on NLR genes compared to other genes (Meyers *et al.*, 1998; Kuang *et al.*, 2004;

58 Monteiro and Nishimura, 2018). To investigate NLR diversity, next-generation sequencing
59 technologies were combined with sequence capture to develop *Resistance (R)*-gene
60 enrichment sequencing (RenSeq) (Jupe *et al.*, 2013). This method has shed new light on NLR
61 repertoires in several plant genomes including tomato, potato and wheat (Andolfo *et al.*, 2014;
62 Steuernagel *et al.*, 2016; Witek *et al.*, 2016). A comparison of 64 *Arabidopsis thaliana*
63 (*Arabidopsis*) accessions using RenSeq documented NLR sequence diversity within a single
64 species, revealing the *Arabidopsis* "pan-NLRome" (Van de Weyer *et al.*, 2019). Each
65 *Arabidopsis* accession contains 150-200 NLR-encoding genes. About 60% are found in
66 clusters (within 200 kb from each other) that show copy number variation (Lee and Chae,
67 2020). From all the NLRs of the 64 accessions, 10% are singletons and the rest are distributed
68 between 464 orthogroups. Each accession contains a unique subset comprising, on average,
69 25% of the orthogroups.

70 NLRs vary in their intramolecular architecture. Plant NLR proteins usually display either a "Toll,
71 Interleukin-1, *R*-gene" (TIR), a "Coiled-Coil" (CC) or "Resistance to Powdery mildew 8"
72 (RPW8) N-terminal domain, a central NB domain and a C-terminal LRR domain. Some NLRs
73 also comprise additional C-terminal domains. For example, RRS1 is an *Arabidopsis* TIR-NLR
74 with a WRKY domain required to detect the effectors AvrRps4 (from the bacterium
75 *Pseudomonas syringae*) and PopP2 (from the bacterium *Ralstonia solanacearum*). The
76 integrated WRKY is called a decoy as it mimics the authentic AvrRps4 and PopP2 effector
77 targets (Le Roux *et al.*, 2015; Sarris *et al.*, 2015). Several other integrated decoy domains
78 have been described (Cesari, 2017). Analysis of NLR integrated domains can potentially
79 reveal novel effector targets (Kroj *et al.*, 2016).

80 RPP1 and Roq1, two TIR-NLRs from *Arabidopsis* and *Nicotiana benthamiana* respectively,
81 form tetrameric resistosomes upon activation (Ma *et al.*, 2020; Martin *et al.*, 2020). In this
82 structure, a C-terminal jelly-roll/Ig-like domain (C-JID) physically binds the cognate effector,
83 along with the LRR domain. The C-JID corresponds to previously described motifs found after
84 the LRR of many TIR-NLRs, called post-LRR motifs (Van Ghelder and Esmenjaud, 2016;
85 Saucet *et al.*, 2021). We will refer this domain as C-JID in the rest of the text.

86 *A. candida* causes white blister rust in Brassicaceae and serious annual yield losses in
87 brassica crops such as oilseed mustard (*Brassica juncea*) in India (Gupta *et al.*, 2018). It
88 comprises several host-specific groups, which include race 2 from *B. juncea*, race 7 from *B.*
89 *rapa*, race 9 from *B. oleracea* and race 4 from wild relatives (*e.g.*, *Capsella bursa-pastoris*,
90 *Arabidopsis spp.* and *Camelina sativa*) (**Table S1**) (Jouet *et al.*, 2018; Pound and Williams,
91 1963). They have been proposed to evolve by rare recombination events that occurred
92 between the races, followed by clonal propagation on susceptible hosts (McMullan *et al.*,
93 2015). The *Arabidopsis* Columbia (Col-0) allele of *WRR4A* can confer resistance to isolates

94 of all four races (Borhan *et al.*, 2010; Borhan *et al.*, 2008). The allele encodes a canonical TIR-
95 NLR and belongs to an orthogroup of three genes in Col-0 at the same locus. The accession
96 Ws-2 (susceptible to *A. candida* race 4) lacks *WRR4A* but contains the two other paralogs,
97 illustrating intra-species copy number variation within clusters. Interestingly, one of these
98 paralogs, *WRR4B*, also confers resistance to the Ac2V isolate of race 2 (Cevik *et al.*, 2019).
99 In addition, the CC-NLR-encoding *BjuWRR1*, which confers resistance to several *A. candida*
100 isolates collected on *B. juncea*, was mapped and cloned from the European accession of *B.*
101 *juncea* Donskaja-IV (Arora *et al.*, 2019).

102 Several Col-0-virulent isolates of *A. candida* race 4 have been collected from naturally infected
103 Arabidopsis plants. They were used to identify an alternative source of broad-spectrum white
104 rust resistance. One of these isolates, AcEx1, was used to reveal a source of resistance in
105 Oy-0 that mapped to the *WRR4* locus (Fairhead, 2016; Castel, 2019). We set out to clone the
106 gene conferring AcEx1 resistance in Oy-0, and characterise the corresponding pathogen
107 effector(s).

108 AcEx1 was collected from *Arabidopsis halleri* in Exeter, UK. It is also virulent in *Camelina*
109 *sativa*, an emerging oilseed crop which has been engineered to provide an alternative source
110 of long chain omega-3 polyunsaturated fatty acids (LC-PUFAs) (Ruiz-Lopez *et al.*, 2014; Petrie
111 *et al.*, 2014). Transgenic camelina oil is equivalent to fish oil for salmon feeding and for human
112 health benefits (Betancor *et al.*, 2018; West *et al.*, 2019). Despite challenges to distribute a
113 product derived from a genetically modified crop (Napier *et al.*, 2019), an increase in camelina
114 cultivation can be expected in the near future. Fields of *C. sativa* will inevitably be exposed to
115 *A. candida* and early identification of *R*-genes will enable crop protection. Furthermore, AcEx1
116 can suppress Arabidopsis non-host resistance to the potato late blight pathogen *Phytophthora*
117 *infestans* (Belhaj *et al.*, 2017; Prince *et al.*, 2017), and also to downy mildews (Cooper *et al.*,
118 2008) emphasizing the importance of protecting camelina fields from white rust.

119 In this study we identified two alleles of *WRR4A* conferring full resistance to AcEx1 from
120 Arabidopsis accessions Oy-0 and HR-5. They both encode proteins with a C-terminal
121 extension compared to the Col-0 *WRR4A* allele. This extension enables recognition of at least
122 one effector from AcEx1. We propose that *WRR4A*^{Oy-0} is the ancestral state, and that in the
123 absence of AcEx1 selective pressure, an early stop codon in *WRR4A* generated the Col-0-
124 like allele, enabling more robust recognition of other *A. candida* races while losing recognition
125 of AcEx1. Finally, we successfully transferred *WRR4A*^{Oy-0}-mediated resistance to AcEx1 from
126 Oy-0 into *Camelina sativa*.

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128 **Results:**

129 **Resistance to AcEx1 is explained by WRR4A alleles of HR-5 and Oy-0**

130 AcEx1 growth on Col-0 results in chlorosis that is not seen in the fully susceptible accession
131 Ws-2 (**Figure 1a**). Since *WRR4A* confers resistance to all other *A. candida* races tested and
132 Ws-2 lacks *WRR4A*, we tested if the chlorotic response could be explained by *WRR4A*, by
133 testing a Col-0_*wrr4a-6* mutant, and found that it shows green susceptibility to AcEx1. We
134 also tested Ws-2 transgenic lines carrying *WRR4A* from Col-0 and observed chlorotic
135 susceptibility (**Figure 1b**). Thus, *WRR4A* from Col-0 weakly recognises AcEx1 and provides
136 partial resistance. However, AcEx1 is still able to complete its life cycle on Col-0, which is
137 therefore considered susceptible.

138 In a search for more robust sources of AcEx1 resistance, we tested 283 Arabidopsis
139 accessions (**Table S2**). We identified 57 (20.1%) fully resistant lines, including Oy-0 and HR-
140 5. We phenotyped 278 Recombinant Inbred Lines (RILs) between Oy-0 (resistant) and Col-0
141 (susceptible) and conducted a quantitative trait locus (QTL) analysis that revealed one major
142 QTL on chromosome 1 and two minor QTLs on chromosomes 3 and 5 (**Figure S1a**). All loci
143 contribute to resistance, with a predominant contribution of the QTL on chromosome 1 (see
144 Figure 3.7 of Fairhead, 2016). We did not investigate the minor QTL on chromosome 5. Fine
145 mapping on chromosome 1 and 3 QTLs refined the QTL boundaries (**Figure S2 and S3**, see
146 Experimental Procedures). Based on sequence identity between the QTL in Col-0 and in an
147 Oy-0 RenSeq dataset (Van de Weyer *et al.*, 2019), we identified four NLRs associated with
148 the QTLs in Oy-0: three TIR-NLR paralogs on chromosome 1 (*WRR4A*, *WRR4B* and one
149 absent in Col-0 that we called *WRR4D*) and a CC-NLR absent in Col-0 on chromosome 3 (that
150 we called *Candidate to be WRR11*, *CWR11*) (**Figure S1bc**).

151 We expressed these genes, with their own promoters and terminators, in the fully susceptible
152 accession Ws-2. Only *WRR4A*^{Oy-0} conferred full resistance (**Figure 1b**). *CWR11*, the only NLR
153 from the *WRR11* locus, does not confer AcEx1 resistance. The gene underlying *WRR11* locus
154 resistance remains unknown.

155 We conducted a bulk segregant analysis using an F2 population between HR-5 (resistant) and
156 Ws-2 (susceptible). RenSeq on bulked F2 susceptible segregants revealed a single locus on
157 chromosome 1, that maps to the same position as the chromosome 1 QTL in Oy-0 (**Figure**
158 **S4a**). Since *WRR4A*^{Oy-0} confers resistance to AcEx1, we expressed its HR-5 ortholog, in
159 genomic context, in the fully susceptible accession Ws-2, and found that *WRR4A*^{HR-5} also
160 confers full resistance to AcEx1 (**Figure 1b**).

161 In conclusion, *WRR4A* from Col-0 can weakly recognise AcEx1 but does not provide full
162 resistance. We identified two *WRR4A* alleles, in Oy-0 and HR-5, that confer full AcEx1
163 resistance.

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165 ***WRR4A^{Col-0} carries an early stop codon compared to WRR4A^{Oy-0}***

166 To understand why the Oy-0 and HR-5 alleles of *WRR4A* confer full resistance to AcEx1, while
167 the Col-0 allele does not, we compared the gene and protein sequences (**Figure 2**). First, we
168 defined the cDNA sequence of *WRR4A^{Oy-0}*. The splicing sites are identical between the two
169 alleles. There are 46 polymorphic amino acids between Col-0, HR-5 and Oy-0. Col-0 shares
170 96.03% amino acid sequence identity with Oy-0 and 96.23% with HR-5, while Oy-0 and HR-5
171 share 97.15% amino acid sequence identity. *WRR4A^{Col-0}* carries a 156-nucleotide insertion in
172 the first intron compared to Oy-0 and HR-5. A more striking polymorphism is a TGC->TGA
173 mutation in *WRR4A^{Col-0}*, resulting in an early stop codon compared to *WRR4A^{Oy-0}* and
174 *WRR4A^{HR-5}* (**Figure 2**), located 178 amino acids after the C-JID, resulting in an 89 amino acid
175 extension in *WRR4A^{Oy-0}* and *WRR4A^{HR-5}*. The nucleotide sequence for this extension is almost
176 identical between HR-5, Oy-0 and Col-0 (two polymorphic sites). Thus, by mutating TGA to
177 TGC in Col-0, we could engineer an allele with the extension, that we called *WRR4A^{Col-0_LONG}*
178 (**Figure 3a**). By mutating TGC to TGA in Oy-0, we could engineer an Oy-0 allele without the
179 extension, that we called *WRR4A^{Oy-0_SHORT}*. We expressed these alleles, as well as the WT
180 Col-0 and Oy-0 alleles, with their genomic context, in the AcEx1-compatible accession Ws-2.
181 For unknown reasons, none of the *WRR4A^{Col-0_LONG}* and *WRR4A^{Oy-0_SHORT}* transgenic seeds
182 germinated. We tried to generate Arabidopsis Col-0 lines with *WRR4A^{Col-0_STOP}* using CRISPR
183 adenine base editor (see Experimental Procedures). Out of 24 transformed plants, none
184 displayed editing activity at all. Thus, we did not generate stable *WRR4A* stop codon mutants
185 in Arabidopsis. We therefore cloned these alleles under the control of the 35S promoter and
186 the Ocs terminator for transient overexpression in *N. tabacum* (**Figure 3**).

187 Since many TIR-NLRs carry a C-JID, we conducted a Hidden Markov Model (HMM) search
188 and found one in *WRR4A* (www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/hmmer/search/hmmsearch on *Arabidopsis*
189 *thaliana* using HMM previously reported (Ma *et al.*, 2020), e-value = 5.7e-14). This C-JID is
190 present in Oy-0, HR-5 and Col-0 alleles (**Figure 2b**). The C-terminal extension in *WRR4A^{Oy-0}*
191 relative to *WRR4A^{Col-0}* does not show homology with known protein domains.

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193 ***Extension in WRR4A confers specific recognition of AcEx1 candidate effectors***

194 In order to identify AcEx1 effectors specifically recognised by *WRR4A^{Oy-0}*, we tested for a
195 hypersensitive response (HR), a typical phenotype upon NLR activation, after transient
196 expression of *WRR4A^{Oy-0}* along with AcEx1 candidate effectors in *N. tabacum* leaves.
197 Secreted CxxCxxxxxG (CCG) proteins are expanded in the genomes of *Albugo* species and

198 are effector candidates (Kemen *et al.*, 2011, Furzer *et al.*, 2021). We identified 55 CCGs in
199 the AcEx1 genome (Jouet *et al.*, 2018, Redkar *et al.*, 2021), and PCR-amplified and cloned
200 21 of them, prioritizing those that showed allelic variation with other races. From them, CCG39
201 induces a WRR4A^{Oy-0}-dependent HR (**Figure 3**) and explains AcEx1 resistance in Oy-0.
202 WRR4A^{Col-0_LONG} can also recognise CCG39, but WRR4A^{Oy-0_SHORT} cannot. Hence, the C-
203 terminal extension fully explains the acquisition of recognition of CCG39. In addition,
204 WRR4A^{Col-0_LONG} recognises CCG35 (**Figure 3b**). Recognition of CCG35 is not explained
205 solely by the C-terminal extension (as WRR4A^{Oy-0} does not recognise it) or by the core region
206 of the Col-0 allele (as WRR4A^{Col-0} does not recognise it).

207 WRR4A^{Col-0} can recognise eight CCG effectors from other races of *A. candida* (Redkar *et al.*,
208 2021). We found that WRR4A^{Oy-0} is able to recognise CCG28, CCG40 and CCG104, but not
209 CCG30, CCG33, CCG67, CCG71 and CCG79 (**Figure 3c**). WRR4A^{Col-0_LONG} recognises all
210 the CCGs indistinguishably from WRR4A^{Col-0}, indicating no influence of the C-terminal
211 extension on their recognition.

212 In conclusion, we identified one AcEx1 effector specifically recognised by WRR4A^{Oy-0}. The C-
213 terminal extension is required and sufficient for its recognition. We also found that WRR4A^{Oy-0}
214 does not recognise several of the Col-0-recognised CCG from other races.

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216 **WRR4A alleles carrying a C-terminal extension are associated with AcEx1 resistance**

217 The NLR repertoire of 64 Arabidopsis accessions has been determined using resistance gene
218 enrichment Sequencing (RenSeq) (Van de Weyer *et al.*, 2019). We found 20 susceptible and
219 5 resistant genotypes that belong to the 64 accessions (**Table S2**). We retrieved *WRR4A* from
220 these 25 accessions (<http://ann-nblrrrome.tuebingen.mpg.de/apollo/jbrowse/>). The read
221 coverage was insufficient to resolve *WRR4A* sequence in Bur-0 (susceptible) and Mt-0
222 (resistant). *WRR4A* is absent from the *WRR4* cluster in Ws-2, Edi-0 and No-0. Consistently,
223 these accessions are fully susceptible to AcEx1. From the DNA sequence of the 20 other
224 accessions, we predicted the protein sequence, assuming that the splicing sites correspond
225 to those in Col-0 and Oy-0 (**Figure 4 and Dataset 1**). There are two well-defined groups of
226 *WRR4A* alleles. One includes WRR4A^{Col-0}; the other includes WRR4A^{Oy-0}. The Col-0-like and
227 Oy-0-like groups are also discriminated in a phylogeny constructed based on predicted protein
228 sequences (**Figure S5 and Dataset S2**). All alleles from the Col-0 group carry TGA (apart
229 from ULL2-5, TGC, but *WRR4A* is pseudogenised in this accession), while all alleles from the
230 Oy-0 group carry TGC, at the Col-0 stop codon position. Several alleles from both groups,
231 including Bay-0, ULL2-5, Wil-2, Ler-0, Ws-0 and Yo-0, carry an early stop codon (*i.e.* upstream
232 of the Col-0 stop codon position), so the resulting proteins are likely not functional.

233 Consistently, all the accessions from the Col-0 group and all the accessions carrying an early
234 stop codon are susceptible to AcEx1. The only exception is Kn-0, that carries an Oy-0-like
235 allele of *WRR4A* but is susceptible to AcEx1. Otherwise, the presence of an Oy-0-like C-
236 terminal extension associates with resistance.

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238 ***AcEx1* resistance can be transferred from *Arabidopsis* to *Camelina***

239 AcEx1 can grow on *Camelina sativa* (**Figure 5**), which like *Arabidopsis*, can be transformed
240 using the floral dip method (Liu *et al.*, 2012). We generated a *WRR4A^{Oy-0}*-transgenic camelina
241 line. We obtained four independent transformants, including two with a single-locus T-DNA
242 insertion (**Figure S6**). From these lines we obtained five and four lines showing no symptoms
243 upon AcEx1 inoculation, from which we obtained one bag of homozygous seeds (the others
244 giving either no seeds or segregating seeds). We tested the single homozygous resistant line
245 obtained for stable resistance to AcEx1 (**Figure 5**). Out of twelve individuals, eight showed
246 resistance without symptoms, three showed resistance with a chlorotic response (likely
247 *WRR4A*-mediated HR) and one showed susceptibility (white pustule formation caused by
248 sporulation of *A. candida*). All twelve WT camelina control plants showed mild to severe white
249 rust symptoms. This indicates that *WRR4A^{Oy-0}* can confer resistance to AcEx1 in *C. sativa*.

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251 **Discussion:**

252 **Col-0 and HR-5 *WRR4A* alleles recognise effectors from AcEx1**

253 A screen for novel sources of resistance to AcEx1 identified accessions HR-5 and Oy-0 as
254 worthy of further investigation. Positional cloning from Oy-0 and then allele mining in HR-5
255 showed that this immunity is mediated by alleles of *WRR4A* in HR-5 and Oy-0 with distinct
256 recognition capacities compared to the Col-0 allele. In Oy-0, two additional dominant loci,
257 *WRR11* on chromosome 3 and *WRR15* on chromosome 5 contribute resistance to AcEx1 but
258 the molecular basis of these resistances was not defined. Further investigation on *WRR11*
259 was conducted but did not reveal the causal gene (Castel, 2019, Chapter 3).

260 *WRR4A^{Oy-0}* recognizes at least one AcEx1 effector that is not recognized by *WRR4A^{Col-0}*
261 (**Figure 3**). Conceivably, *WRR4A^{Oy-0}* could be combined with *WRR4A^{Col-0}* and *WRR4B^{Col-0}* to
262 expand the effector recognition spectrum of a stack of *WRR* genes that could be deployed in
263 *B. juncea* or *C. sativa* (Pedersen, 1988).

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265 **WRR4A alleles fall into two groups that can or cannot confer AcEx1 resistance**

266 Analysis of *WRR4A* allele diversity in *Arabidopsis* revealed *WRR4A*^{Oy-0}-like and *WRR4A*^{Col-0}-
267 like alleles. Since *WRR4A*^{Col-0}- like alleles show near-identity to *WRR4A*^{Oy-0}- like alleles in
268 nucleotide sequence after the premature stop codon, the latter are likely to be ancestral, and
269 the *WRR4A*^{Col-0}- like early stop codon occurred once, in the most recent common ancestor of
270 Sf-2 and Col-0. Other early stop codons, resulting in loss-of-function proteins, occurred
271 randomly in both Oy-0- and Col-0-containing groups. About a third of the investigated
272 accessions contain another early stop codon resulting in a likely non-functional allele (**Figure**
273 **4**). The full-length Oy-0-like alleles are associated with resistance to AcEx1, while the Col-0-
274 like alleles are associated with susceptibility (**Figure 4**). The only exception is Kn-0, which
275 displays a full length Oy-0-like allele but is susceptible to AcEx1. Susceptibility in Kn-0 could
276 be explained by SNPs, lack of expression or mis-splicing of *WRR4A*^{Kn-0}.

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278 **The Col-0 allele C-terminal truncation correlates with gain of recognition for some**
279 **CCGs and loss of recognition for others, suggesting an evolutionary trade-off**

280 *A. candida* isolates identical or almost identical to AcEx1 are broadly distributed, at least
281 across Europe (Jouet *et al.*, 2018). Similarly, the *WRR4A*^{Col-0} allele is not associated with a
282 geographic location, indicating that it is maintained by a non-climatic factor (**Figure S7**). We
283 propose that, in the absence of AcEx1 selection pressure, the Col-0-like early stop codon
284 occurred to provide a new function, along with the loss of AcEx1 effector recognition. This new
285 function enables recognition of additional CCGs from other *A. candida* races.

286 By combining the C-terminal extension on *WRR4A*^{Oy-0} with the core region of *WRR4A* in Col-
287 0 (**Figure 3e**), recognition of additional AcEx1 CCGs was enabled. Furthermore, *Arabidopsis*
288 natural accessions carrying the core region of the Col-0-like allele also lack the C-terminal
289 extension (**Figure 4 and S5, Dataset S1 and S2**). This could be an example of intramolecular
290 genetic suppression (Kondrashov *et al.*, 2002; Schülein *et al.*, 2001; Brasseur *et al.*, 2001;
291 Davis *et al.*, 1999). The combination between the core region of the Col-0 allele with the C-
292 terminal extension may form a hyper-active *WRR4A* allele with excessive fitness cost for the
293 plant, which may explain why no transgenic *Arabidopsis* could be recovered that carry
294 *WRR4A*^{Col-0_LONG}. The early stop codon may have occurred in Col-0 to compensate for hyper-
295 activation of an ancestral *WRR4A* allele. Hyper-activation of the immune system is deleterious,
296 as shown for example by hybrid incompatibility caused by immune receptors (Wan *et al.*,
297 2021).

298 Many TIR-NLRs contain conserved post-LRR motifs (Meyers *et al.*, 2002; Van Ghelder and
299 Esmenjaud, 2016), that cover a functional C-JID motif involved in effector binding (Ma *et al.*,
300 2020, Martin *et al.*, 2020). We found that WRR4A also contains this domain. Both WRR4A^{Col-}
301 ⁰⁻ and WRR4A^{Oy-0-} carry the C-JID, so it does not explain the unique CCG recognition of each
302 allele. Instead, the polymorphism that explains AcEx1 recognition is a short sequence,
303 particularly enriched in negatively charged residues (Glu and Asp, **Figure 2**), located after the
304 C-JID. Polymorphism within the C-JID between RPP1 and Roq1 contributes to effector
305 recognition specificity (Ma *et al.*, 2020; Martin *et al.*, 2020). In the case of WRR4A, it seems
306 that polymorphism after the C-JID also contributes to specific effector recognition. Biochemical
307 studies of WRR4A should provide more insights into the mechanism of CCG recognition.

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309 **Arabidopsis WRR4A resistance to AcEx1 can be transferred to the crop camelina**

310 *Camelina sativa* was recently engineered to produce LC-PUFAs, an essential component in
311 the feed used in fish farming (Petrie *et al.*, 2014). Currently, fish farming uses wild fish-derived
312 fish oil. Fish oil-producing camelina offers a solution to reduce the need for wild fish harvesting,
313 potentially reducing pressure on world marine fish stocks (Betancor *et al.*, 2018). There are
314 challenges in delivering products derived from transgenic crops but fish oil-producing crops
315 could reduce the environmental impact of fish farming. White rust causes moderate symptoms
316 on camelina. Moreover, *A. candida* is capable of immunosuppression (Cooper *et al.*, 2008).
317 *A. candida*-infected fields constitute a risk for secondary infection of otherwise incompatible
318 pathogens. To safeguard camelina fields against white rust, both chemical and genetic
319 solutions are possible. Genetic resistance offers the advantage of a lower cost for farmers and
320 reduces the need for fungicide release in the environment. Since the first report of white rust
321 on camelina in France in 1945, no genetic resistance has been characterised. All the strains
322 collected on camelina can grow equally irrespective of camelina cultivar (Séguin-Swartz *et al.*,
323 2009). This absence of phenotypic diversity precludes discovery of resistance loci using
324 classic genetic tools. We found that WRR4A^{Oy-0} confers resistance to AcEx1 in camelina
325 (**Figure 5**). Arabidopsis WRR4A resistance is functional in *B. juncea* and *B. oleracea* (Cevik
326 *et al.*, 2019), suggesting that the mechanism of activation and the downstream signalling of
327 WRR4A is conserved, at least in Brassicaceae.

328 In conclusion, we found a novel example of post-LRR polymorphism within an NLR family,
329 associated with diversified effector recognition spectra. By investigating the diversity of
330 WRR4A, we identified an allele that confers white rust resistance in the camelina crop.

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332 **Experimental procedures:**

333 ***Plant material and growth conditions***

334 *Arabidopsis thaliana* (*Arabidopsis*) accessions used in this study are Øystese-0 (Oy-0, NASC:
335 N1436), HR-5 (NASC: N76514), Wassilewskija-2 (Ws-2, NASC: N1601) and Columbia (Col-
336 0, NASC: N1092). Col-0_ *wrr4a-6* mutant is published (Borhan *et al.*, 2008). Seeds were sown
337 directly on compost and plants were grown at 21°C, with 10 hours of light and 14 hours of
338 dark, 75% humidity. For seed collection, 5-weeks old plants were transferred under long-day
339 condition: 21°C, with 16 hours of light and 8 hours of dark, 75% humidity. For *Nicotiana*
340 *tabacum* (cultivar Petit Gerard) and *Camelina sativa* (cultivar Celine), seeds were sown
341 directly on compost and plants were grown at 21°C, with cycles of 16 hours of light and 8
342 hours of dark, at 55% humidity.

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344 ***Albugo candida* infection assay**

345 For propagation of *Albugo candida*, zoospores from the infected leaf inoculum were
346 suspended in water (~10⁵ spores/ml) and incubated on ice for 30 min. The spore suspension
347 was then sprayed on plants using a Humbrol® spray gun (~700 µl/plant) and plants were
348 incubated at 4°C in the dark overnight to promote spore germination. Infected plants were kept
349 under 10-hour light (20 °C) and 14-hour dark (16°C) cycles. Phenotypes were monitored 14 to
350 21 days after inoculation.

351

352 ***QTL analysis***

353 QTL mapping of the bipartite F8 Oy-0 x Col-0 population (470 Recombinant Inbred Lines,
354 RILs, publiclines.versailles.inra.fr/page/27) (Simon *et al.*, 2008) was performed on a genetic
355 map of 85 markers across the five linkage groups that accompanied the population using
356 RQTL (Broman *et al.*, 2003). Standard interval mapping using a maximum likelihood
357 estimation under a mixture model (Lander and Botstein, 1989) was applied for interval
358 mapping. Analysis revealed two major QTLs: on chromosome 1 and on chromosome 3.

359 Chromosome 1 QTL is located between 20,384 Mb and 22,181 Mb (**Figure S2**). It includes
360 the TIR-NLR cluster *WRR4* and the CC-NLR cluster *RPP7*. Six RILs (three resistant and three
361 susceptible) recombine within the QTL and were used for fine mapping. We designed a Single
362 Nucleotide Polymorphism (SNP, 21,195 Mb, Fw: TCAGATTGTAAGTACTGATCTCGAAGG, Rv:
363 CCATCAAGCACACTGTATTCC, amplicon contains two SNPs, Oy-0: A and G, Col-0: G and
364 C) and an Amplified Fragment Length Polymorphism (AFLP, 21,691 Mb, Fw:

365 AAGGCAATCAGATTAAGCAGAA, Rv: GCGGGTTTCCTCAGTTGAAG, Oy-0: 389 bp, Col-0:
366 399 bp) markers between *WRR4* and *RPP7*. Four lines eliminate *RPP7* from the QTL. The
367 only NLR cluster in chromosome 1 QTL is *WRR4*.

368 Chromosome 3 QTL is located between 17,283 Mb and 19,628 Mb (**Figure S3**). It includes
369 the atypical *resistance*-gene cluster *RPW8*, the CC-NLR *ZAR1* and the paired TIR-NLRs
370 *At3g51560-At3g51570*. Six RILs (three resistant and three susceptible) recombine within the
371 QTL and were used for fine mapping. We designed an AFLP (18,016 Mb, Fw:
372 gctacgccactgcatttagc, Rv: CCAATTCCGCAACAGCTTTA, Oy-0: 950 bp, Col-0: 1677 bp) and
373 a Cleaved Amplified Polymorphic Sequence (CAPS, 18,535 Mb, Fw:
374 TCAAGCCTGTTAAGAAGAAGAAGG, Rv: GCCCTCCACAAAGATTCTGAAGTA, enzyme:
375 DdeI, Oy-0: uncleaved, Col-0: cleaved) markers between the QTL border and *RPW8*. We
376 designed a CAPS marker (18,850 Mb, Fw: TCTCGGGGAAAATATGATTAGA, Rv:
377 GGTTGATTTTTATTGTGGTAGTCGT, enzyme: SmaI, Oy-0: cleaved, Col-0: uncleaved)
378 between *RPW8* and *ZAR1*. We designed a SNP (18,937 Mb, Fw:
379 CCACAAGGTCGGAATCTGTAGC, Rv: TGCACAGAAGTAACCCACCAAC, Oy-0: C, Col-0:
380 T) and a CAPS (19,122 Mb, Fw: ACCACCACCTCGATGCATTTTC, Rv:
381 CCTTCCCTGCGAAAGACTC, enzyme: BsrI, Oy-0: uncleaved, Col-0: cleaved) markers
382 between *ZAR1* and the TIR-NLR pair. Three recombinants eliminate the TIR-NLR pair, two
383 eliminate *ZAR1* and one eliminates *RPW8*. None of the Col-0 NLR clusters orthologs are
384 present in the QTL. The gene underlying chromosome three resistance is located between
385 the border of the QTL and *RPW8*.

386

387 ***Bulk segregant analysis and RenSeq***

388 We generated an F2 population from a cross between HR-5 (resistant) and Ws-2
389 (susceptible). We phenol/chloroform extracted DNA from 200 bulked F2 lines fully susceptible
390 to AcEx1. The bulked DNA sample was prepared as an Illumina library and enriched using the
391 Arabidopsis v1 RenSeq bait library (Arbor Bioscience, MI, USA) (**Table S3**), as described by
392 (Jupe et al., 2013). The sample was sequenced in a pooled MiSeq run (data available on
393 request). Firstly, reads were aligned with BWA mem (Li and Durbin, 2009) to the Col-0
394 reference genome and SNPs called with Samtools (Li et al., 2009). The genome was scanned
395 for regions of high linkage with the next generation mapping tools at
396 <http://bar.utoronto.ca/ngm/> (Austin et al., 2011). Secondly, the reads were mapped using BWA
397 to the RenSeq PacBio assembly generated for HR-5 (Van de Weyer et al., 2019). Highly linked
398 regions were confirmed visually with the integrated genome viewer (Robinson et al., 2017).

399

400 **Gene cloning**

401 Vectors were cloned with the USER method (NEB) following the manufacturer
402 recommendations. For expression of resistance gene candidates in Arabidopsis, genes were
403 cloned with their natural 5' and 3' regulatory sequences into LBJJ233-OD (containing a FAST-
404 Red selectable marker, pre-linearized with PacI and Nt. Bbvcl restriction enzymes). For
405 overexpression in *Nicotiana tabacum*, genes were cloned into LBJJ234-OD (containing a
406 FAST-Red selectable marker and a 35S / Ocs expression cassette, pre-linearized with PacI
407 and Nt. Bbvcl restriction enzymes). Primers, template and vectors are indicated in (**Table S4**).
408 *WRR4A^{Col-0}* is published (Cevik *et al.*, 2019). CCGs recognised by *WRR4A^{Col-0}* are published
409 (Redkar *et al.*, 2021).

410 All the plasmids were prepared using a QIAPREP SPIN MINIPREP KIT on *Escherichia coli*
411 DH10B thermo-competent cells selected with appropriate antibiotics. Positive clones
412 (confirmed by size selection on electrophoresis gel and capillary sequencing) were
413 transformed in *Arabidopsis thaliana* via *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* strain GV3101.
414 Transgenic seeds were selected under fluorescent microscope for expression of the FAST-
415 Red selectable marker (Shimada *et al.*, 2010).

416

417 **CRISPR adenine base editor**

418 An sgRNA targeting *WRR4A* stop codon in Col-0 (TTCTGAGAagcattcgaaag[nGA]) was
419 assembled by PCR to a sgRNA backbone and 67 bp of the *U6-26* terminator. It was then
420 assembled with the *AtU6-26* promoter in the Golden Gate compatible level 1 *pICH47751*. We
421 designed a mutant allele of a plant codon optimized Cas9 with a potato intron (Addgene:
422 117515) with D10A (nickase mutant) and R1335V/L1111R/D1135V/G1218R/
423 E1219F/A1322R/T1337R, to change the PAM recognition from NGG to NG (Nishimasu *et al.*,
424 2018). We assembled this Cas9 (golden gate compatible Bpil: GACA-GCTT) along with a
425 barley codon optimized TadA module (golden gate compatible Bpil: AATG-GCTT) in a level 0
426 vector *pICH41308*. It was then assembled with the YAO promoter (Addgene: 117513) and the
427 E9 terminator (Addgene: 117519) in a level 1 vector *pICH47811* (with expression in reverse
428 orientation compared to the other level 1 modules). It was then assembled with a FAST-Red
429 selectable marker (Addgene: 117499) and the sgRNA level 1 cassette into a level 2 vector
430 *pICSL4723*, using the end-linker *pICH41766*. Level 0 vector was cloned using Bpil enzyme
431 and spectinomycin resistance. Level 1 vectors were cloned using BsaI enzyme and
432 carbenicillin resistance. Level 2 vector was cloned using Bpil enzyme and kanamycin
433 resistance. It was expressed via *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* strain GV3101 in Arabidopsis
434 Oy-0. In the first generation after transformation, we did not detect any mutant from 24

435 independent transformants. It indicates an absence of activity of the construct. It can be
436 explained by the Cas9 mutations that were not tested before on this specific allele nor in
437 combination with TadA.

438

439 ***Transient expression in N. tabacum leaves***

440 *A. tumefaciens* strains were streaked on selective media and incubated at 28 °C for 24 hours.
441 A single colony was transferred to liquid LB medium with appropriate antibiotic and incubated
442 at 28 °C for 24 hours in a shaking incubator (200 rotations per minute). The resulting culture
443 was centrifuged at 3000 rotations per minute for 5 minutes and resuspended in infiltration
444 buffer (10 mM MgCl₂, 10 mM MES, pH 5.6) at OD₆₀₀ = 0.4 (2 x10⁸ cfu/ml). For co-expression,
445 each bacterial suspension was adjusted to OD₆₀₀ = 0.4 for infiltration. The abaxial surface of
446 4-weeks old *N. tabacum* were infiltrated with 1 ml needle-less syringe. Cell death was
447 monitored three days after infiltration.

448

449 ***Resolution of WRR4A^{Oy-0} cDNA sequence***

450 RNA was extracted from Oy-0 using the RNeasy Plant Mini Kit (QIAGEN) and treated with
451 RNase-Free DNase Set (QIAGEN). Reverse transcription was carried out using the
452 SuperScript IV Reverse Transcriptase (ThermoFisher). PCR was conducted using Fw:
453 TCTGATGTCCGCAACCAAAC (in the first exon) and Rv: GTCCTCTTCGGCCATATCTTC (in
454 the last exon) with the Taq Polymerase enzyme (NEB) following the manufacturer protocol.
455 The 2848 nt amplicon sequence, corresponding to the cDNA sequence (*i.e.* with already
456 spliced introns) was resolved by capillary sequencing. It indicates that the splicing sites are
457 identical between *WRR4A^{Oy-0}* and the splicing sites reported in the database TAIR10 for
458 *WRR4A^{Col-0}*.

459

460 ***Gene expression by RT-PCR***

461 RNA was extracted from leaf tissue using the RNeasy Plant Mini Kit (QIAGEN) and treated with
462 RNase-Free DNase Set (QIAGEN). Reverse transcription was carried out using the
463 SuperScript IV Reverse Transcriptase (ThermoFisher). PCR was conducted using primers
464 indicated in **Table S4** with the Taq Polymerase enzyme (NEB) following the manufacturer
465 protocol.

466

467 **Protein extraction and western blot**

468 Proteins were extracted from leaf tissue using TruPAGE LDS Sample Buffer (Sigma-Aldrich)
469 following the manufacturer's recommendations. They were separated by sodium
470 dodecylsulfate-polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis (SDS-PAGE) and analysed by
471 immunoblotting. After electrophoresis, separated proteins were transferred to Immobilon-P
472 PVDF (Merck Millipore) membranes for immunoblotting. Membranes were blocked for 2 h in
473 5% nonfat milk, probed with horseradish peroxidase (HRP)-conjugated antibodies overnight
474 and imaged.

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476 **Generation of *WRR4A^{Oy-0}* transgenic *Camelina sativa* line**

477 We transformed a *WRR4A^{Oy-0}* construct, under native promoter and terminator transcriptional
478 regulation and with a FAST-Red selectable marker (Shimada *et al.*, 2010) (see cf paragraph
479 "Gene cloning") in *Camelina sativa* cv. Celine using the floral dip method (Liu *et al.*, 2012). We
480 obtained four independent T1 lines (**Figure S6**). Transgenic expression was measured in T1
481 plants using RT-qPCR for *WRR4A^{Oy-0}*, with *EF1a* as a housekeeping reference gene. We
482 extracted RNA using the RNeasy Plant Mini Kit (QIAGEN) and treated with RNase-Free DNase
483 Set (QIAGEN). Reverse transcription was carried out using SuperScript IV Reverse
484 Transcriptase (ThermoFisher, Waltham, MA, USA). qPCR was performed using a CFX96
485 Touch Real-Time PCR Detection System. Primers for qPCR analysis of *WRR4A^{Oy-0}* are
486 GCAAGATAGCGAGCTCCAGA and GCAAGAAACATACAAGTCCTCCA. Primers for qPCR
487 analysis of *EF1a* are CAGGCTGATTGTGCTGTTCTTA and
488 GTTGTATCCGACCTTCTTCAGG. Data were analysed using the double delta Ct method
489 (Livak & Schmittgen, 2001). We measured the segregation of FAST-Red in T2 seeds. Two
490 lines are segregating 15:1 indicating a dual loci T-DNA insertion and two are segregating 3:1
491 indicating a single locus insertion. From the two single-locus insertion lines, we obtained five
492 and four AcEx1 resistant lines, without any symptoms of infection. From these nine lines, one
493 produced a bag of homozygous T3 seeds (the others producing no seeds or 3:1 segregating
494 seeds). Twelve plants from this line were tested with AcEx1, 11 showed resistance (eight
495 without symptoms and three with a chlorotic response) and one showed susceptibility (**Figure**
496 **5**).

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498 **Accession numbers:**

499 *Arabidopsis thaliana* (*Arabidopsis*) accessions used in this study are Øystese-0 (Oy-0, NASC:
500 N1436), HR-5 (NASC: N76514), Wassilewskija-2 (Ws-2, NASC: N1601) and Columbia (Col-
501 0, NASC: N1092).

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503 **Data availability statement:**

504 All relevant data can be found within the manuscript and its supporting materials. The
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526 **Supporting materials:**

527 Figure S1: Detailed map of candidate loci in Oy-0

528 Figure S2: Fine mapping of chromosome 1 QTL
529 Figure S3: Fine mapping of chromosome 3 QTL
530 Figure S4: Detailed map of candidate loci in HR-5
531 Figure S5: Phylogeny of WRR4A based on protein sequences
532 Figure S6: Selection of a stable WRR4A^{Oy-0} transgenic *Camelina sativa* line for resistance to
533 AcEX1
534 Figure S7: Map of Arabidopsis accessions used in this study
535 Table S1: Summary of the *A. candida* isolates mentioned in this study
536 Table S2: Phenotype of 283 Arabidopsis accessions in response to AcEx1 infection
537 Table S3: Arabidopsis v1 RenSeq bait library (Arbor Bioscience, MI, USA) as described by
538 (Jupe *et al.*, 2013)
539 Table S4: Primers used in this study
540 Dataset S1: Alignment of *WRR4A* nucleotide sequences used to generate the phylogenetic tree
541 on Figure 4. File is on fasta format and was generated using the software MEGA10, with using
542 the recommended parameters of MUSCLE.
543 Dataset S2: Alignment of *WRR4A* amino acid sequence used to generate the phylogenetic tree
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735 **Figure legends:**

736 Figure 1: Oy-0 and HR-5 alleles of WRR4A confer full resistance to AcEx1

737 5-week old plants were sprayed inoculated with AcEx1. Plants were phenotyped 14 days after
738 inoculation. **a.** AcEx1 response in nature Arabidopsis accessions and mutants. Indicated genotypes
739 always display this phenotype in response to AcEx1. **b.** AcEx1 response in transgenic Ws-2 expressing
740 *WRR4A^{Oy-0}*, *WRR4B^{Oy-0}*, *WRR4D^{Oy-0}*, *WRR4A^{Col-0}* or *CWR11^{Oy-0}*. Numbers indicate the number of
741 independent transgenic lines showing similar phenotype out of the number of independent transgenic
742 lines tested. Red arrows indicate a chlorotic response seen in susceptible lines containing *WRR4A^{Col-0}*
743 (*i.e.* Col-0 WT and Ws-2_ *WRR4A^{Col-0}* transgenic). Adaxial picture of the leaves has been added to
744 illustrate the chlorotic response.

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747 Figure 2: Allelic variation between Col-0, HR-5 and Oy-0 alleles of WRR4A

748 **a.** Nucleotide sequence alignment of *WRR4A* alleles. Plain yellow areas represent exons. Yellow lines
749 represent introns. bp: base pair **b.** Amino acid alignment. a.a: amino acid. The C-terminal extension is
750 framed in yellow for Col-0 to indicate that an early stop codon avoids translation of this sequence. **a.b.**
751 Cartoons made with CLC Workbench Main. Green represents identity. Red represents polymorphism.
752 Figures are on scale.

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754 Figure 3: Recognition of CCG effectors by WT and stop codon mutant alleles of *WRR4A*

755 CCG effector candidates were transiently expressed in 4-week old *N. tabacum* leaves, under the control
756 of the 35S promoter and Ocs terminator, alone or with WT or mutant alleles of *WRR4A*. Leaves were
757 infiltrated with *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* strain GV3101 in infiltration buffer at OD₆₀₀ = 0.4. Pictures
758 were taken at 4 dpi. **a.** cartoon of the *WRR4A* alleles: (a) Col-0 WT, (b) Oy-0 WT, (c) Col-0 with TGA-
759 TGC mutation, causing an Oy-0 like C-terminal extension, (d) Oy-0 with a TGC-TGA mutation causing
760 a truncation of the C-terminal extension. **b.** AcEx1 CCG effector candidates alone (e) or with one of the
761 four *WRR4A* alleles as shown in Fig 3a (a), (b), (c), (d). MLA7 CC domain was used as an HR positive
762 control (f). Numbers indicate the number of positive HR observed out of the number of infiltrations
763 conducted. **c.** Eight CCGs from other races of *Albugo candida* known to be recognized by Col-0 allele
764 of *WRR4A* were tested with the three others *WRR4A* alleles. CCG effector candidates alone (e) or with
765 one of the four *WRR4A* alleles as shown in Fig 3a (a), (b), (c), (d). For CCG28, CCG30, CCG33 and
766 the control leaf, *WRR4A^{Oy-0}* (b) is infiltrated on the top right of the leaf, instead of *WRR4A^{Col-0_LONG}*.
767 Numbers indicate the number of positive HR observed out of the number of infiltrations conducted. **d.**
768 Expression of CCG35 (68 kDa) and CCG39 (72 kDa) showed by western blot with anti-V5 antibody.
769 Expression of *WRR4* alleles (not tagged) by RT-PCR (197 bp), using *NbActin* as a control (143 bp). **e.**

770 Summary of the CCG recognition by WRR4A alleles. Red nails: AcEx1 effectors, black nails: CCGs
771 from other *A. candida* races.

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773 Figure 4: An early stop codon in *WRR4A* is associated with AcEx1 susceptibility

774 *WRR4A* genomic sequence of 20 Arabidopsis accessions were extracted from [http://ann-](http://ann-nblrrrome.tuebingen.mpg.de/apollo/jbrowse/)
775 [nblrrrome.tuebingen.mpg.de/apollo/jbrowse/](http://ann-nblrrrome.tuebingen.mpg.de/apollo/jbrowse/) (Van de Weyer *et al.*, 2019). Nucleotide sequences
776 corresponding from ATG to TAA of the Oy-0 allele (including introns) were aligned using MUSCLE
777 (software: MEGA10, the alignment is available as Dataset S1 on Supporting materials). *WRR4B* from
778 Col-0 was used as outgroup. A phylogenetic tree was generated using the Maximum Likelihood method
779 and a bootstrap (100 replicates) was calculated (software: MEGA10). The tree is drawn to scale (apart
780 the two broken branches, whose length is indicated in parenthesis), with branch lengths measured in
781 the number of substitutions per site. The resistance / susceptibility phenotypes are indicated. Cartoons
782 on the right represent *WRR4A* predicted protein, on scale. TIR, NB-ARC, LRR and C-JID are indicated
783 in the Col-0 allele. Dashed orange line represents the Col-0 stop codon. Dashed blue line represents
784 the Oy-0 stop codon.

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786 Figure 5: *WRR4A* confers resistance to AcEx1 in camelina crop

787 Five-week old camelina (cultivar Celine) plants were sprayed inoculated with AcEx1 race of the white
788 rust oomycete pathogen *A. candida*. Pictures were taken 12 dpi (day post inoculation). **Top row:**
789 Twelve wild-type plants all show mild to severe white rust symptoms. **Bottom row:** twelve lines
790 transformed with *WRR4A^{Oy-0}* were tested. One shows mild white rust symptoms, three show local
791 chlorotic response and eight show complete green resistance. White dash line indicates sporulation;
792 red dash line indicates a chlorotic response with no pustule formation.

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794 Figure S1: Detailed map of candidate loci in Oy-0

795 **a.** Genome scans using the maximum likelihood algorithm (logarithm of odds (LOD) of 2.5 for both
796 isolates at a 5% confidence interval). Numbers on x axis indicate chromosomes. Three QTLs are over
797 the LOD-score threshold: *WRR4*, *WRR11* and *WRR15*. **b.** *WRR4* locus in Col-0 and two RenSeq
798 contigs containing *WRR4* paralogs from Oy-0 (Van de Weyer *et al.*, 2019). **c.** Unique RenSeq contig
799 from Oy-0 sharing identify with the *WRR11* locus. It contains a CC-NLR absent from Col-0. The
800 corresponding locus in Col-0 is displayed on top. Loci are on scale.

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802 Figure S2: Fine mapping of chromosome 1 QTL

803 Six RILs recombines within the Chromosome 1 QTL. Three carry the Oy-0 allele (resistant): 19, 273
804 and 336. Three carry the Col-0 allele (susceptible): 91, 118, 298. Fine mapping was conducted using
805 two markers between *WRR4* and *RPP7* NLR clusters. Dark grey indicates the region containing the
806 gene. Light grey indicates the region excluding the gene. Dash grey indicates the region containing the
807 Oy-0 / Col-0 recombination site. Numbers indicate the position in Mb on Chromosome 1. QTL:
808 Quantitative Trait Locus (indicates the borders of the QTL before refining). SNP: Single Nucleotide
809 Polymorphism. AFLP: Amplified Fragment Length Polymorphism. Chr1/C1: Chromosome 1. Figure is
810 not on scale.

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812 Figure S3: Fine mapping of chromosome 3 QTL

813 Six RILs recombines within the Chromosome 3 QTL. Three carry the Oy-0 allele (resistant): 155, 304,
814 403. Three carry the Col-0 allele (susceptible): 471, 472, 497. Fine mapping was conducted using five
815 markers along the QTL. Dark grey indicates the region containing the gene. Light grey indicates the
816 region excluding the gene. Dash grey indicates the region containing the Oy-0 / Col-0 recombination
817 site. Numbers indicate the position in Mb on Chromosome 3. QTL: Quantitative Trait Locus (indicates
818 the borders of the QTL before refining). SNP: Single Nucleotide Polymorphism. AFLP: Amplified
819 Fragment Length Polymorphism. CAPS: Cleaved Amplified Polymorphic Sequence. Chr3/C3:
820 Chromosome 3. Figure is not on scale.

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822 Figure S4: Detailed map of candidate loci in HR-5

823 **a.** Homozygosity score of ~100 bulked F2 lines susceptible to AcEx1. Bulked lines were sequence upon
824 *R*-gene enrichment (RenSeq). *WRR4* and *RPP7* cluster present a high degree of homozygosity. This
825 panel was produced using the NGM system where the different coloured bands represent the density
826 of SNPs at different allele frequency levels, used to assess the degree of linkage across the genome.
827 **b.** *WRR4* locus in Col-0 and two RenSeq contigs containing *WRR4* paralogs from HR-5 (Van de Weyer
828 *et al.*, 2019).

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830 Figure S5: Phylogeny of *WRR4A* based on protein sequences

831 *WRR4A* proteins sequence of 16 *Arabidopsis* accessions were predicted using Augustus
832 (<http://bioinf.uni-greifswald.de/augustus/>). The C-terminal extension was not used for alignment.
833 Proteins were aligned using MUSCLE (software: MEGA10, Dataset S2). Pseudogenised *WRR4A*
834 alleles (*Ws-0*, *Yo-0*, *Ler-0*, *Wil-2*, *ULL2-5* and *Bay-0*) were not used. *WRR4B* from Col-0 was used as
835 an outgroup. A phylogenetic tree was generated using the Maximum Likelihood method and a bootstrap
836 (100 replicates) was calculated (software: MEGA10). The tree is drawn to scale, with branch lengths
837 measured in the number of substitutions per site.

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839 Figure S6: Selection of a stable *WRR4A*^{Oy-0} transgenic *Camelina sativa* line for resistance to
840 AcEX1

841 *WRR4A*^{Oy-0} was transformed in *Camelina sativa* cultivar Celine using the floral dip method. Four
842 independent transformants were obtained. Transgene expression is indicated in fold difference as
843 compared to EF1a. Transgene segregation was estimated by counting the FAST-Red marker in T2
844 seeds, using the χ^2 method. Phenotyping was conducted 12 days upon inoculation of AcEX1.
845 Representative phenotypes are indicated in the blue frame. We identified one bag of 100% red seeds
846 from 9 resistant plants. This line was kept for further analyses (see figure 5).

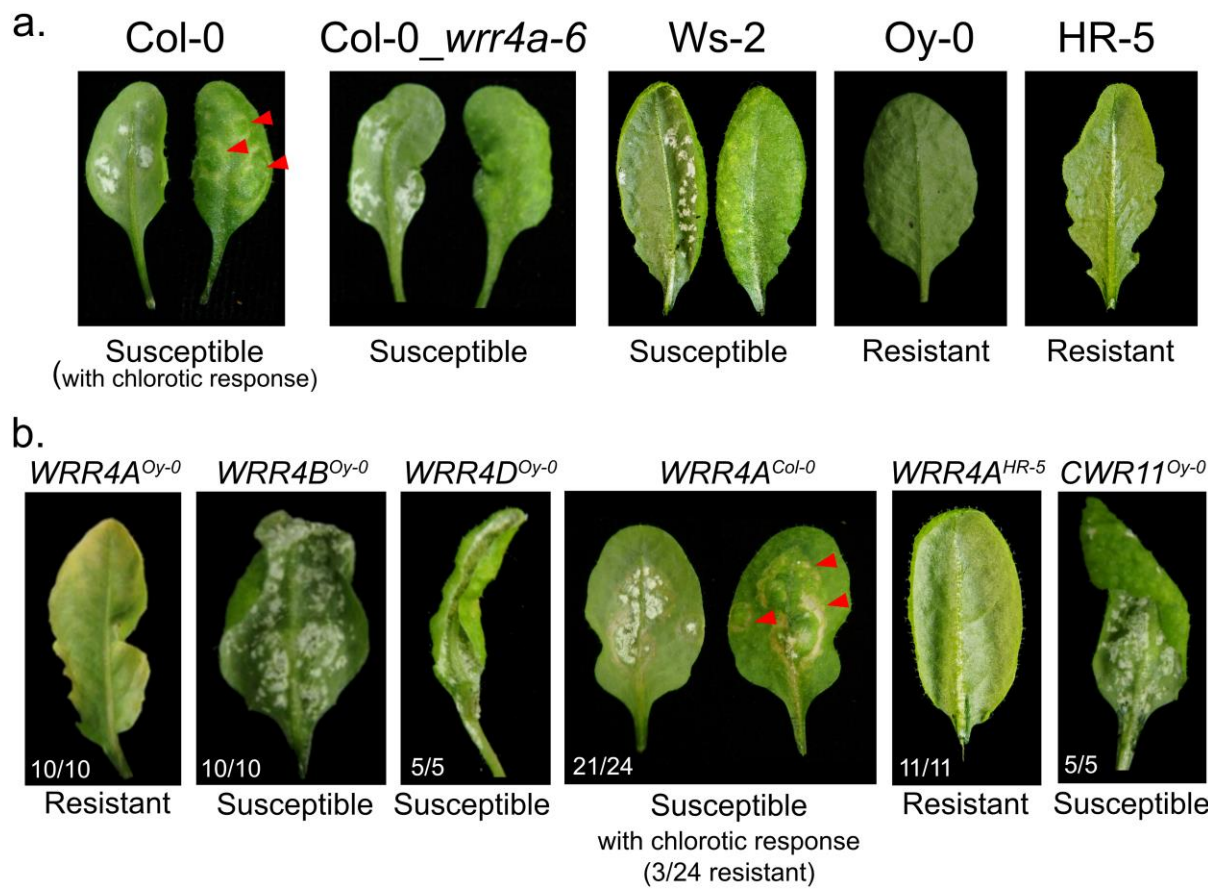
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848 Figure S7: Map of Arabidopsis accessions used in this study

849 Green: *WRR4A* Oy-0 like (with C-terminal extension). Blue: *WRR4A* Col-0-like (without C-terminal
850 extension). Purple: *WRR4A* with earlier stop codon, likely not functional. Black: *WRR4A* missing. From
851 West to East: Yo-0 (USA) Col-0 (USA), Bur-0 (Ireland), C24 (Portugal), Ped-0 (Spain), Edi-0 (Scotland),
852 HR-5 (England), Sf-2 (Spain), Oy-0 (Norway), Hi-0 (Netherlands), Po-0 (Germany), Zu-0 (Switzerland),
853 Wu-0 (Germany), Bay-0 (Germany), No-0 (Germany), ULL2-5 (Sweden), Ler-0 (Poland), Mt-0 (Libya),
854 Kn-0 (Lithuania), Wil-2 (Lithuania), Ws-0 (Ukraine), Ws-2 (Ukraine, in black hidden behind Ws-0 in red),
855 Rsch-4 (Russia), Tsu-0 (Japan). Map created with the online tool "My Maps" (Google). Interactive map
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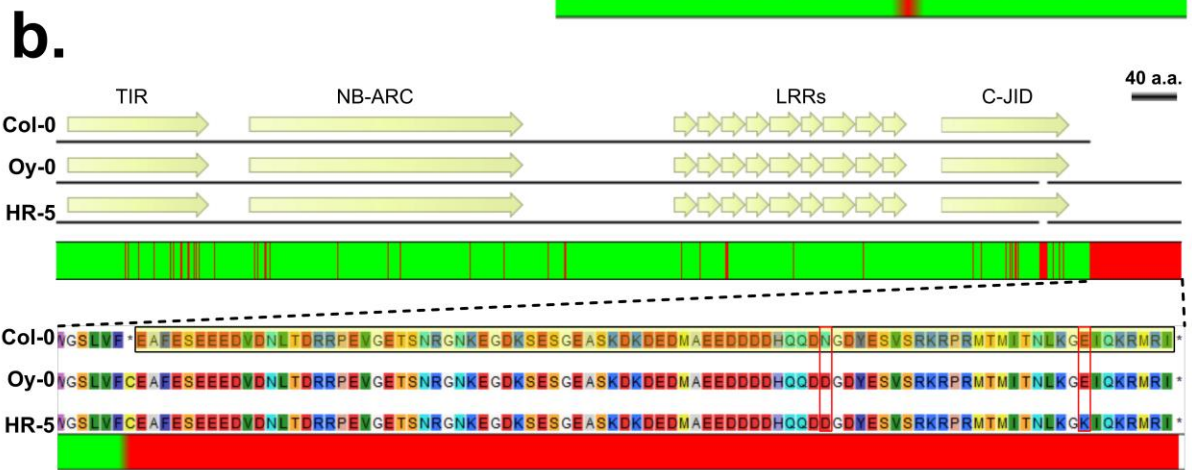
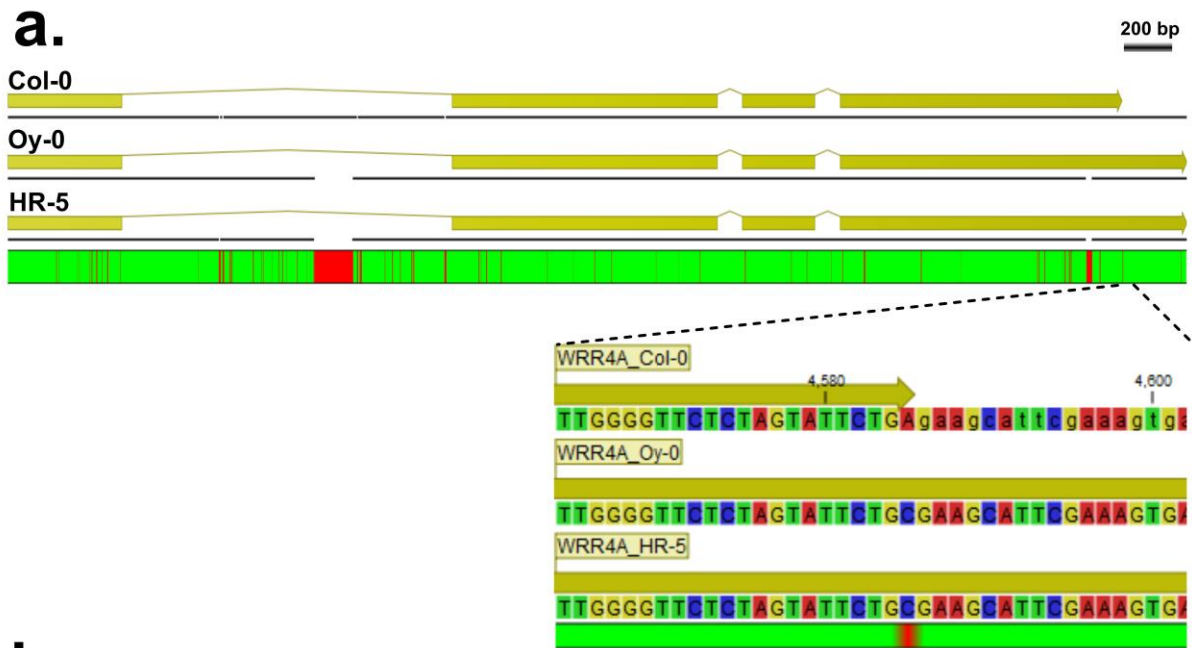
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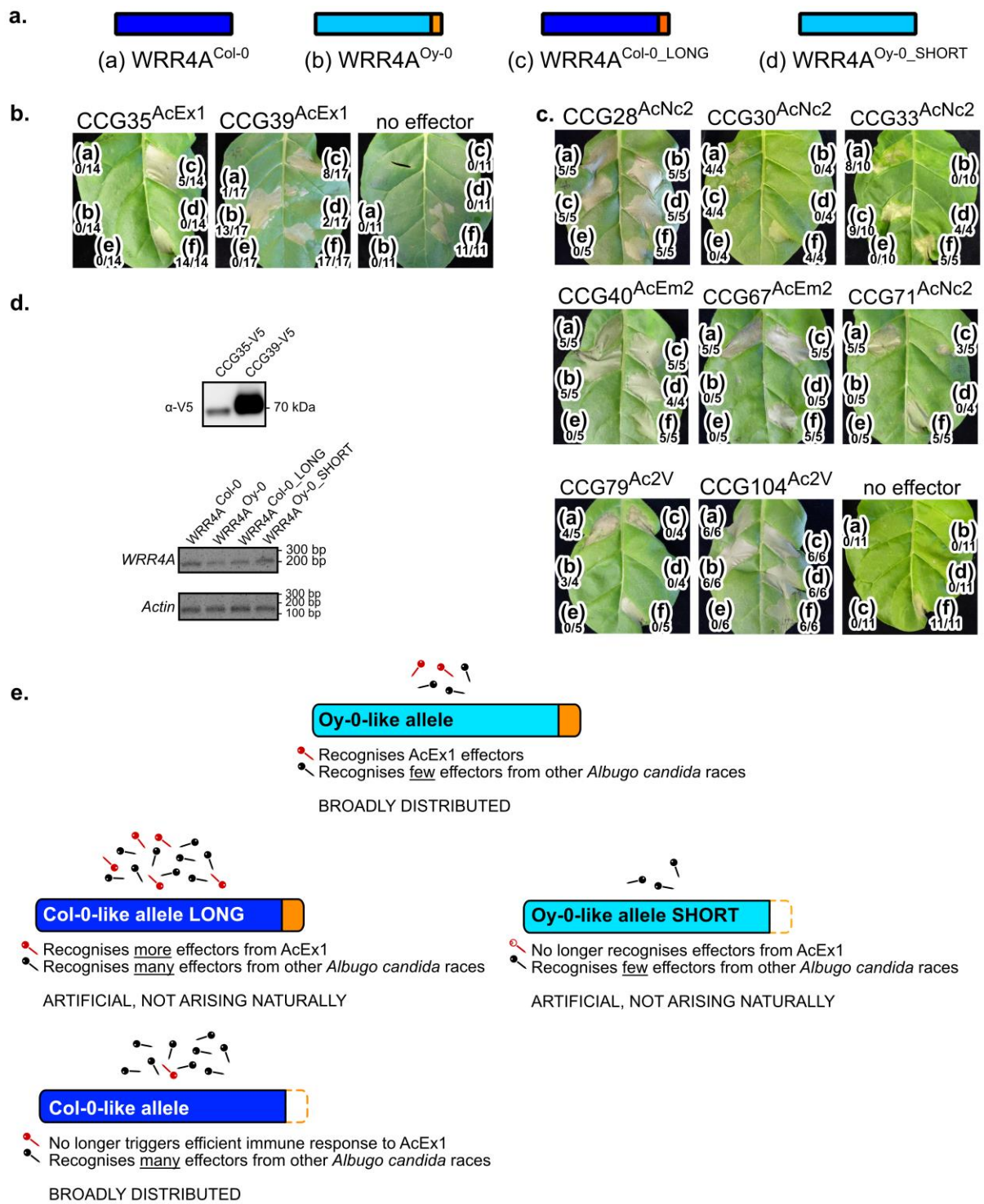
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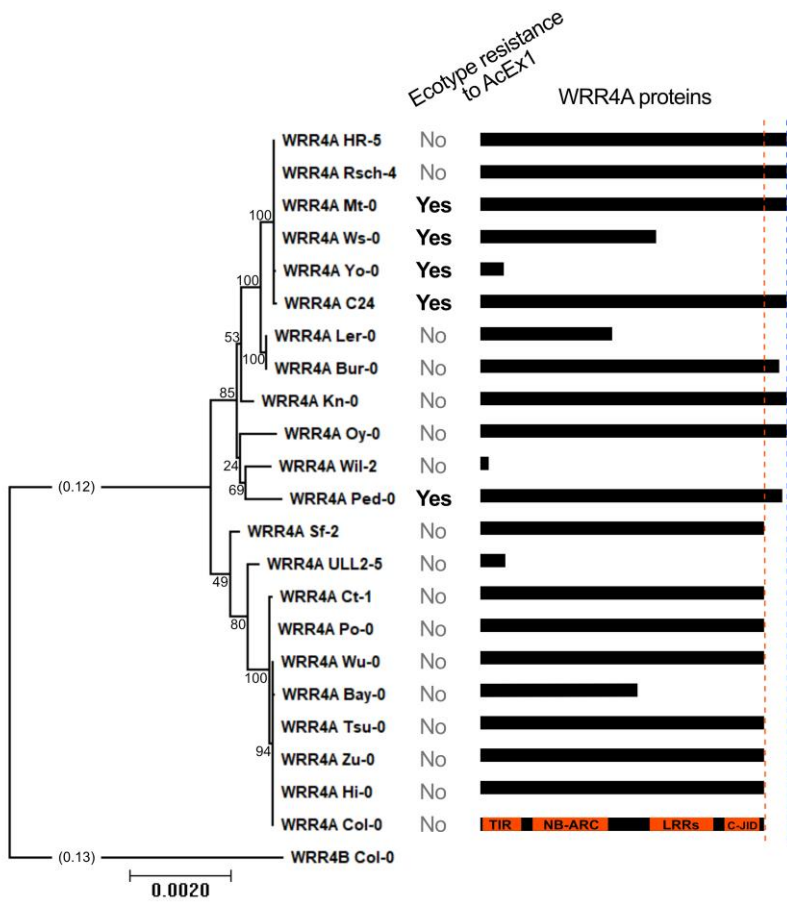
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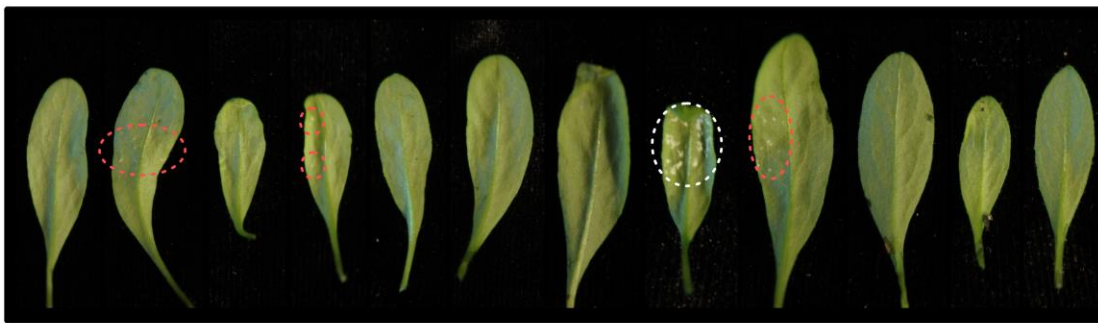
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***Albugo candida* race Ex1**
5-week old plants, 12 dpi



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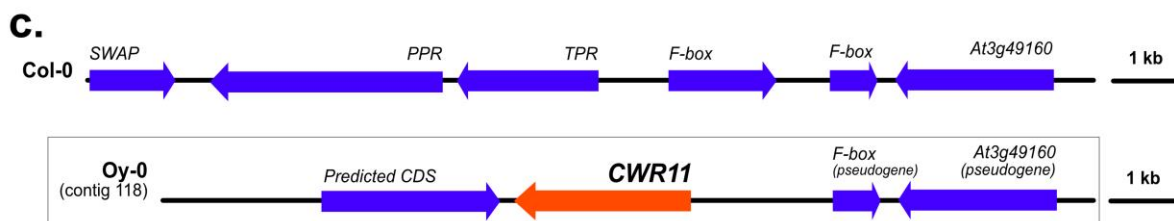
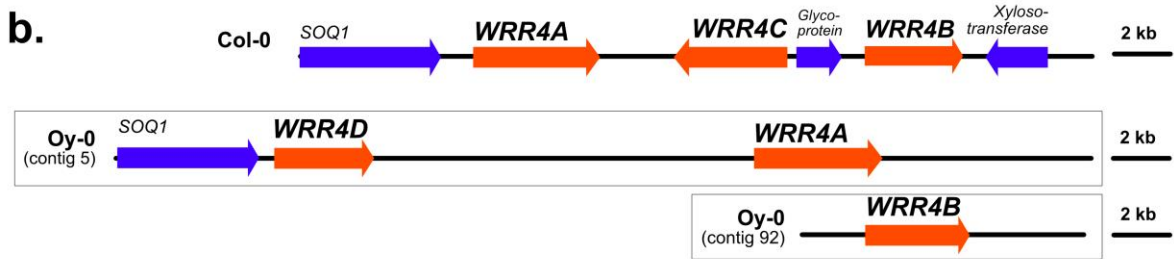
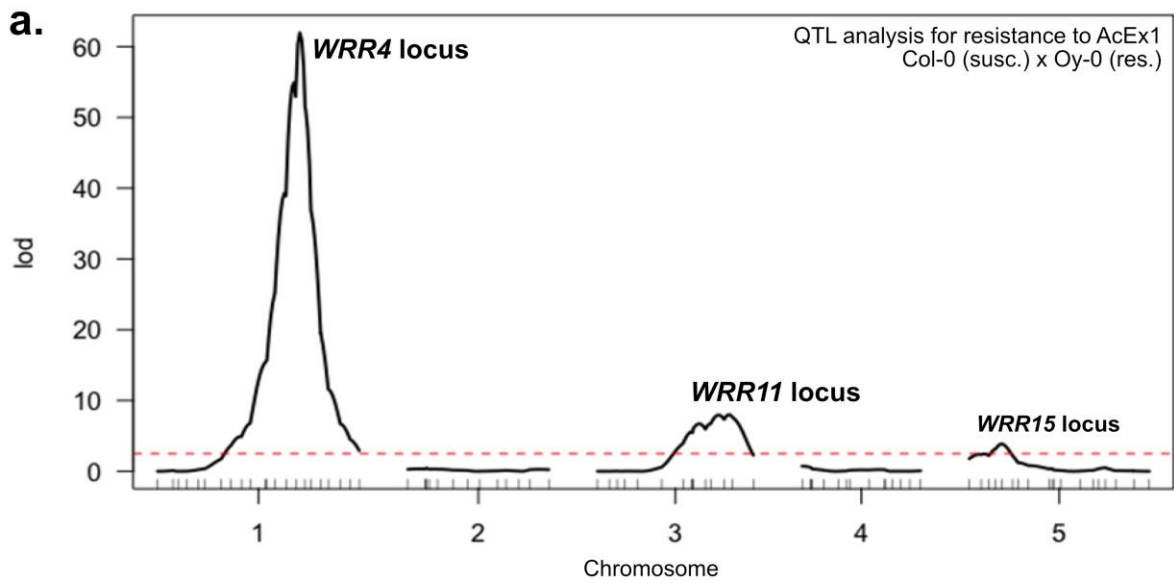


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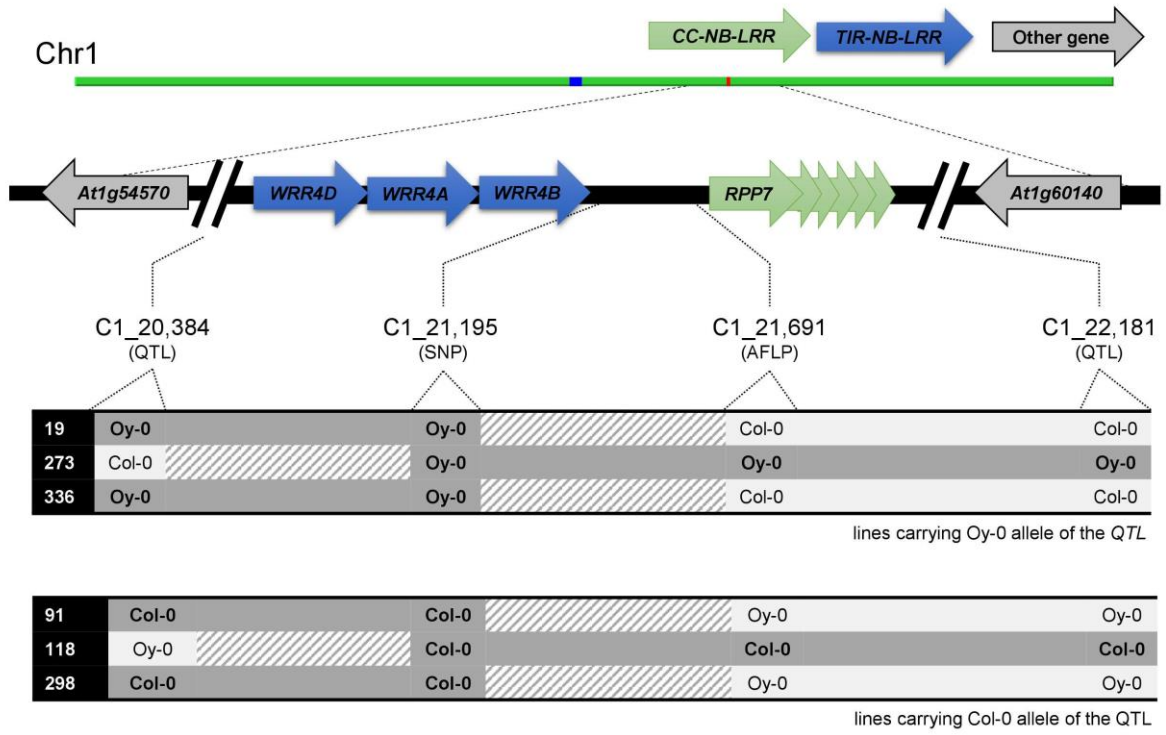
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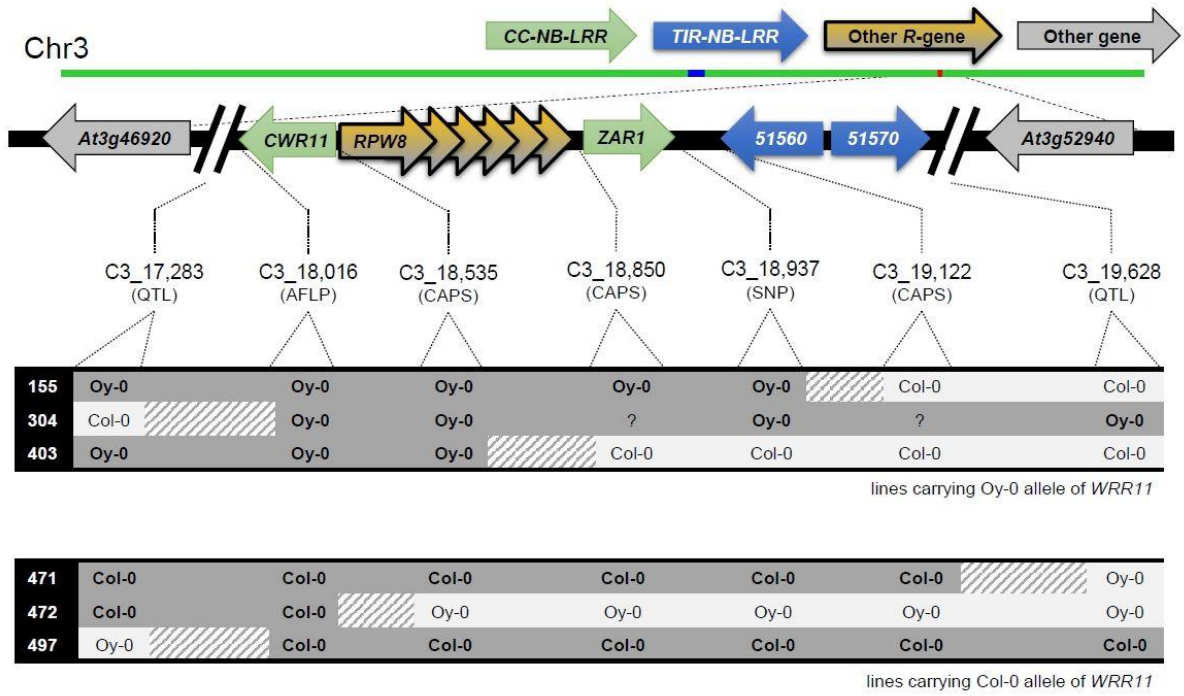
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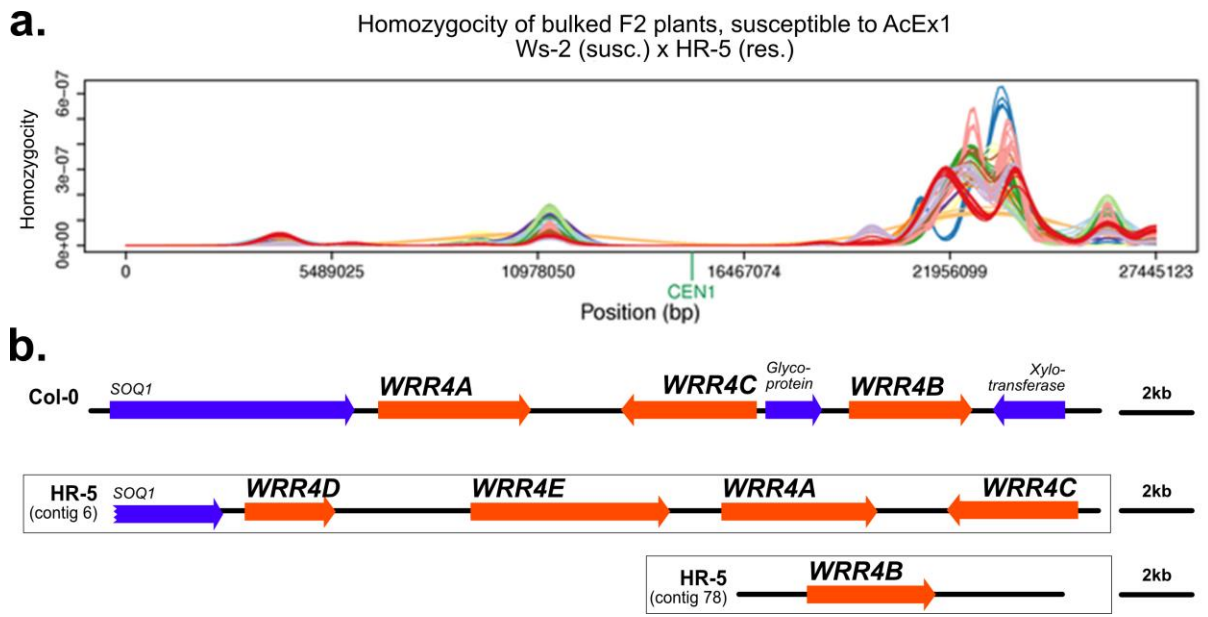


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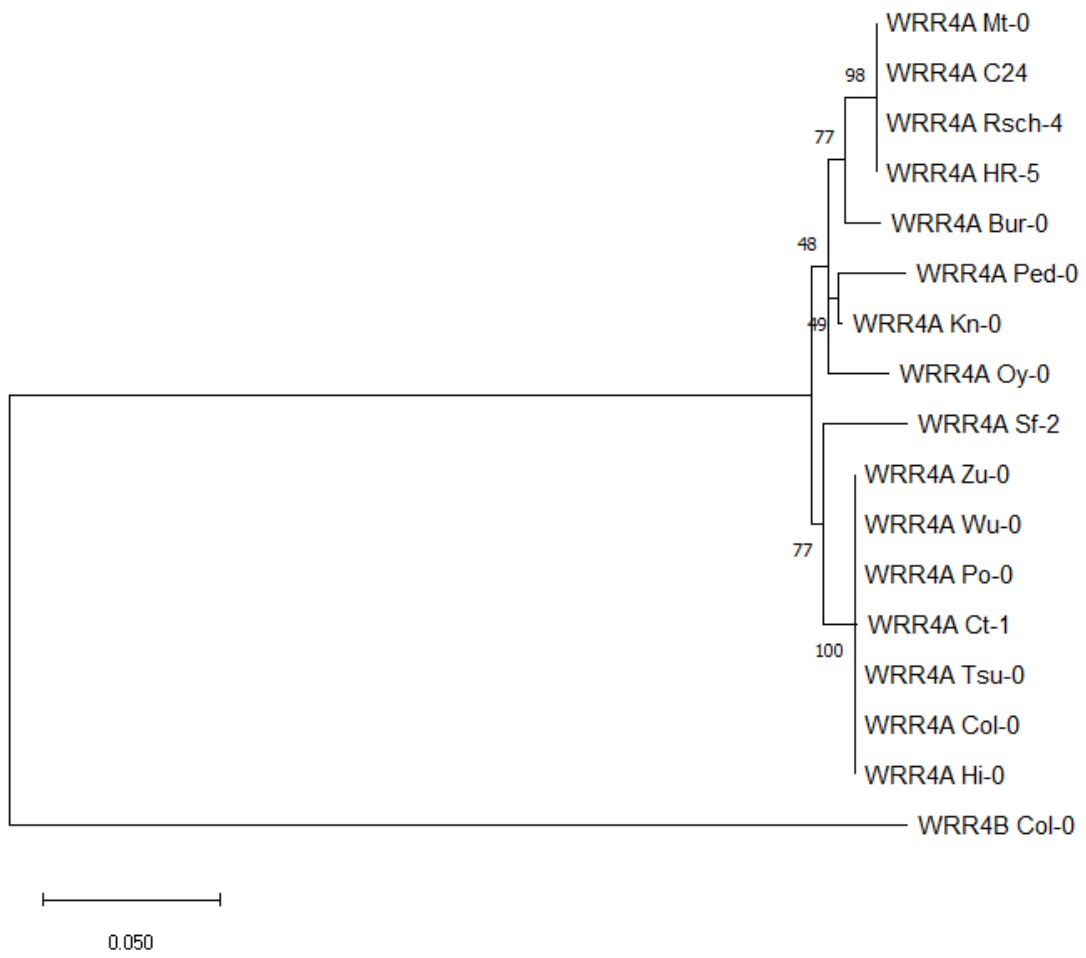
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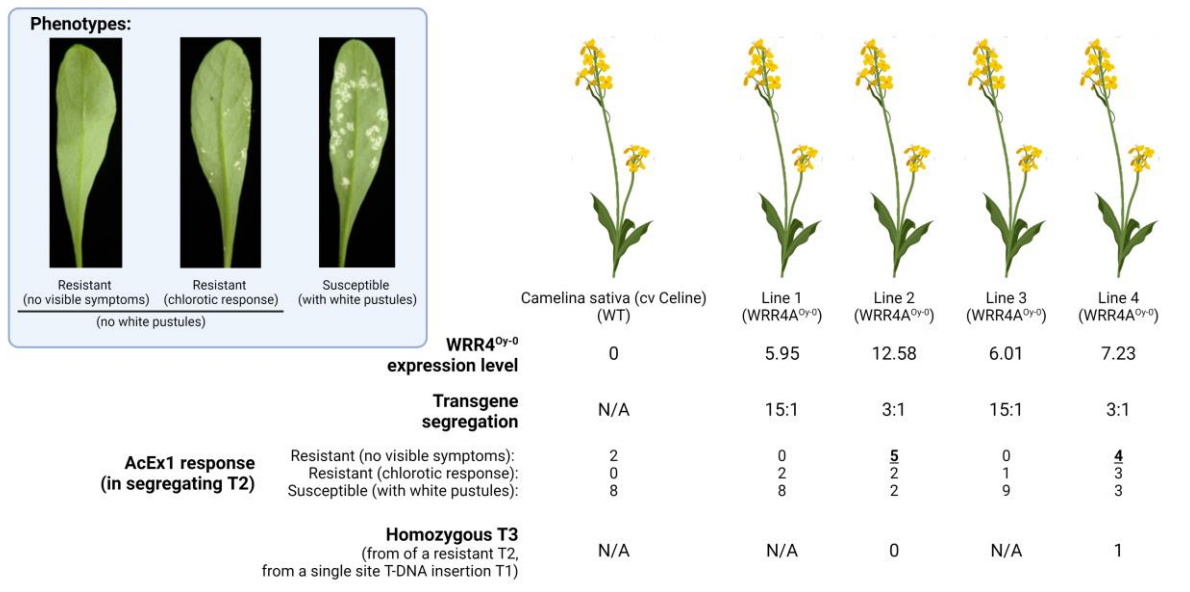
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