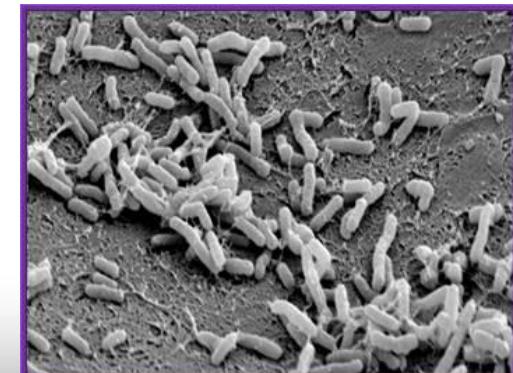


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A revision of *Rhizobium* Frank 1889, with an emended description of the genus, and the inclusion of all species of *Agrobacterium* Conn 1942 and *Allorhizobium undicola* de Lajudie et al. 1998 as new combinations: *Rhizobium radiobacter*, *R. rhizogenes*, *R. rubi*, *R. undicola* and *R. vitis*

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Former name	Current Name	Symptoms
<i>Agrobacterium larrymoorei</i>	<i>Rhizobium larrymoorei</i> (Young et al., 2001)	aerial tumours
<i>Agrobacterium radiobacter</i> = <i>A. tumefaciens</i>	<i>Rhizobium radiobacter</i> (Young et al., 2001)	crown gall
<i>Agrobacterium rhizogenes</i>	<i>Rhizobium rhizogenes</i> (Young et al., 2001)	hairy-root disease
<i>Agrobacterium rubi</i>	<i>Rhizobium rubi</i> (Young et al., 2001)	cane gall
<i>Agrobacterium vitis</i>	<i>Rhizobium vitis</i> (Young et al., 2001)	crown gall

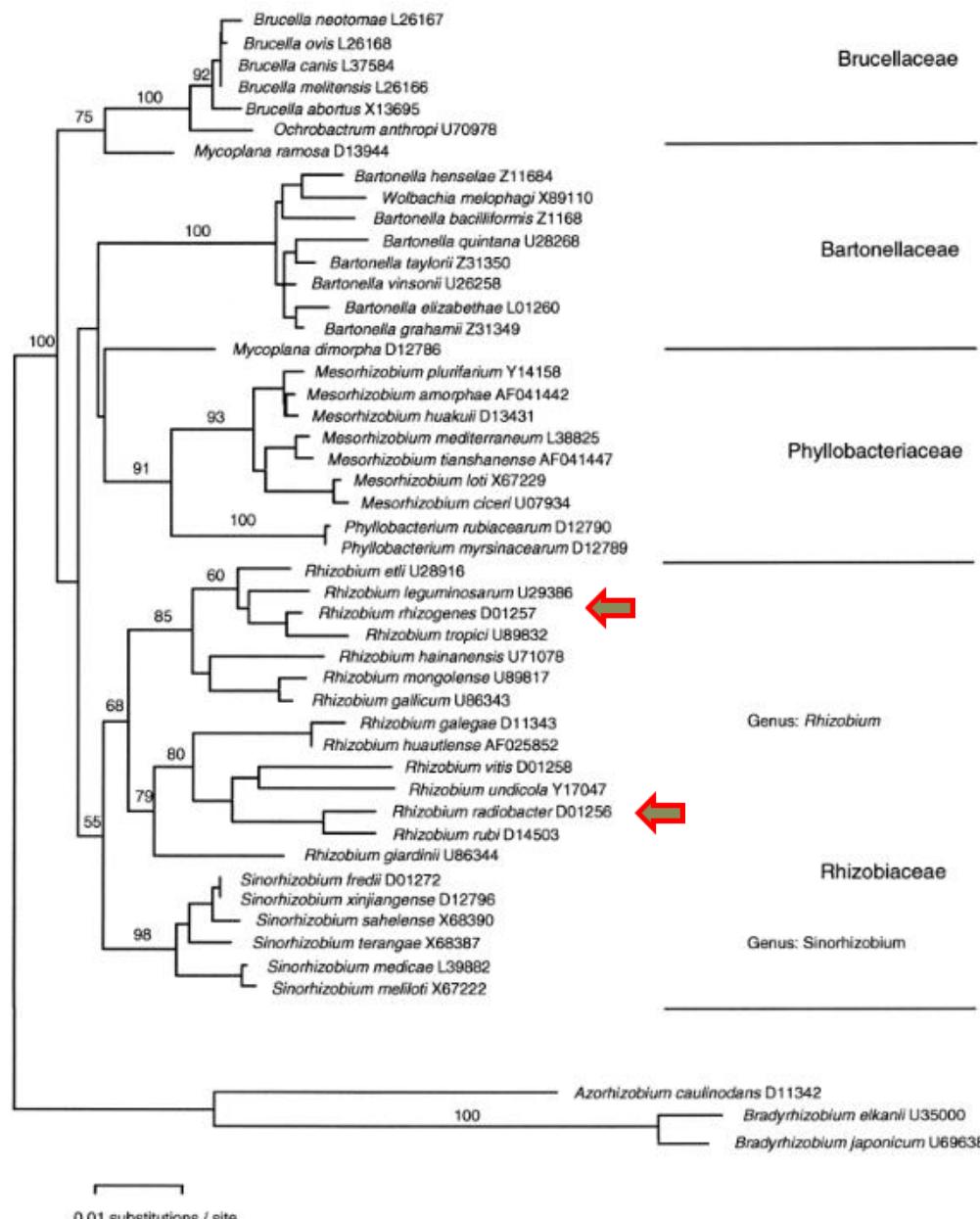


Fig. 2. Neighbour-joining tree expressing the relationships among the *Rhizobiaceae* and their relatives, based on 16S rDNA sequences. Sites that include gaps in more than one sequence were excluded. Horizontal branch lengths are proportional to the estimated number of nucleotide substitutions and bootstrap probabilities (as percentages) are determined from 1000 resamplings.

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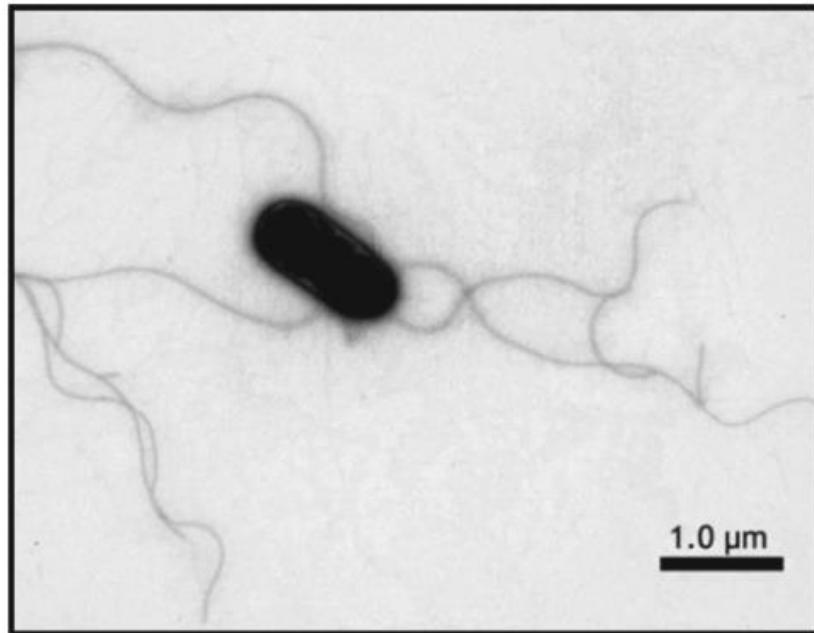
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Table 12.1 Systematics
of *Agrobacterium tumefaciens*
(Bergey's Manual
of Systematic Bacteriology
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Fig. 12.1 Electron microscopic view of *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* with peritrichous flagella
(Modified from Jeon et al. 2008)

Table 12.4 The brief history of plant biotechnology related to *Agrobacterium* sp

- 1853 The first written report of crown gall disease (Fabre and Dunal 1853)
- 1897 *Agrobacterium vitis* identified as causal agent of crown gall in grape (Cavara 1897)
- 1902 First attempt of plant tissue culture (Haberlandt 1902)
- 1907 *A. tumefaciens* identified as causal agent of crown gall in Paris daisy (*Argyranthemum frutescens*) (Smith and Townsend 1907)
- 1941 *In vitro* culture of crown gall tissues (Braun 1941)
- 1947 Sterile plant tumor tissue can proliferate indefinitely on hormone-free medium in culture.
Tumor cells are proposed to be 'transformed' by an *Agrobacterium*-derived tumor-inducing principle (TIP) (Braun 1947)
- 1952 First application of micrografting (Morel and Martin 1952)
- 1954 First plant from single cell (Muir et al. 1954)
- 1956 Unusual low-molecular weight nitrogenous compounds (opines) are identified exclusively in tumor tissue (Lioret 1956)
- 1959 Publication of first handbook on plant tissue culture (Gautheret 1959)
- 1962 Development of Murashige and Skoog nutrient medium (Murashige and Skoog 1962)
- 1970 Discovery of first restriction endonuclease from *Haemophilus influenzae* Rd. It was later purified and named *HindI* (Smith and Wilcox 1970)
- 1971 *A. tumefaciens* loses virulence when grown at 37°C. The TIP can be transferred between virulent and avirulent *A. tumefaciens* strains (Hamilton and Fall 1971; Kerr 1971)
Preparation of first restriction map using *HindI* enzyme to cut circular DNA of SV 40 into 11 specific fragments was prepared (Danna and Nathans 1971)
- 1974 *A. tumefaciens* virulence depends on the presence of a large 'tumor-inducing' (Ti) plasmid. The TIP is probably a component of the Ti plasmid (Zaenen 1974)
Biotransformation in plant tissue cultures (Reinhard 1974)
- 1976 Octopine and nopaline synthesis and breakdown found to be genetically controlled by the Ti plasmid of *A. tumefaciens* (Bomhoff et al. 1976)

- 1977 The T-DNA region of the Ti plasmid is present in the genome of crown gall tumor cells: the T-DNA is the TIP (Chilton et al. 1977)
- 1980 The opine concept: the synthesis of opines by transformed cells creates an ecological niche for the infecting strain of *Agrobacterium* (Guyon et al. 1980)
- 1983 The first plant transformed with a recombinant gene using *A. tumefaciens* as a vector (Zambryski et al. 1983)
- 1984 T-DNA oncogenes are identified that mediate overproduction of auxin and cytokinin (Klee et al. 1984; Lichtenstein et al. 1984)
Development of the genetic fingerprinting technique for identifying individuals by analyzing polymorphism at DNA sequence level (Jeffreys et al. 1984)
- 1985 The *virA/virG* two-component regulatory system is identified as a central component of signal perception and transduction in *Agrobacterium* transformation (Stachel and Zambryski 1986)
- 1987 Isolation of *Bt* gene from bacterium (*Bacillus thuringiensis*) (Barton et al. 1987)
- 1990 Development of the random amplified polymorphic DNA (RAPD) technique (Williams et al. 1990; Welsh and McClelland 1990)
- 2001 Publication of the complete genome sequence of two *A. tumefaciens* strains (Goodner et al. 2001; Wood et al. 2001)
- 2005 220 million acres of biotechnologic crops with herbicide tolerance and/or insect resistance traits were cultivated in 21 countries worldwide (James 2010)
- 2007 The global area of biotech crops reached 114.3 million hectares (282.4 million acres) worldwide (James 2010)
- 2010 The global area of biotech crops continued to soar for the fifteenth consecutive year at a sustained growth rate of 10% or 14 million hectares (35 million acres), reaching 148 million hectares or 365 million acres (James 2010)

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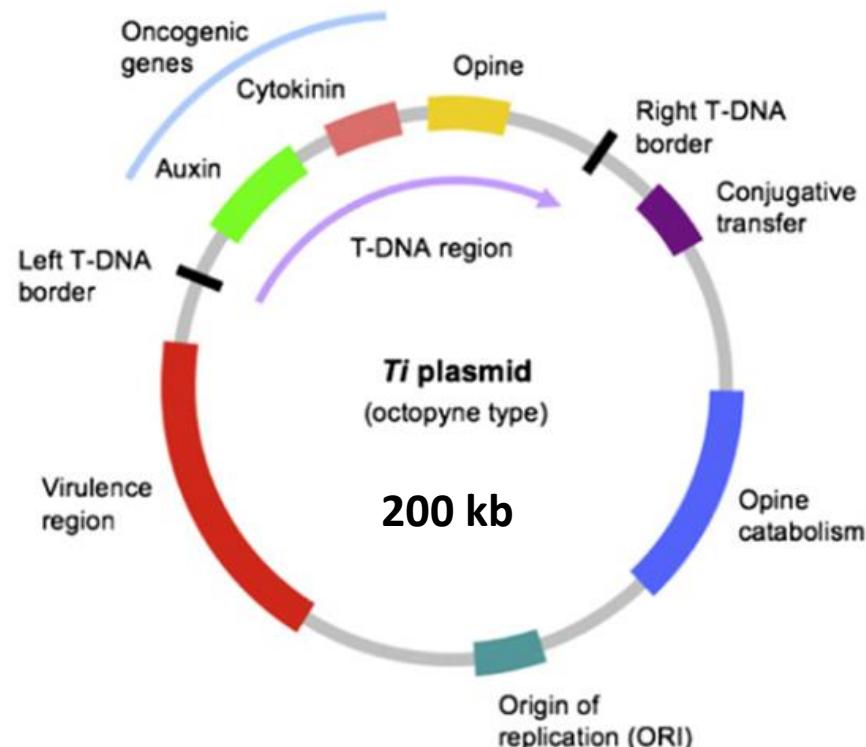
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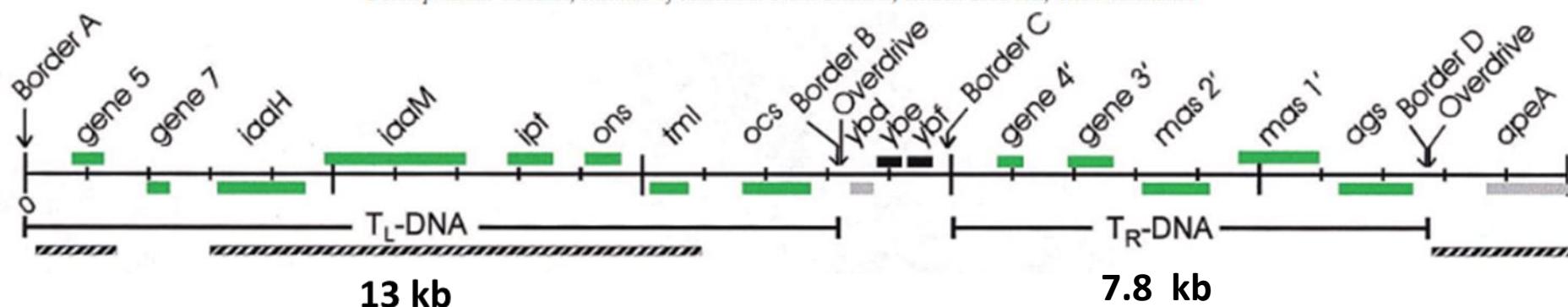
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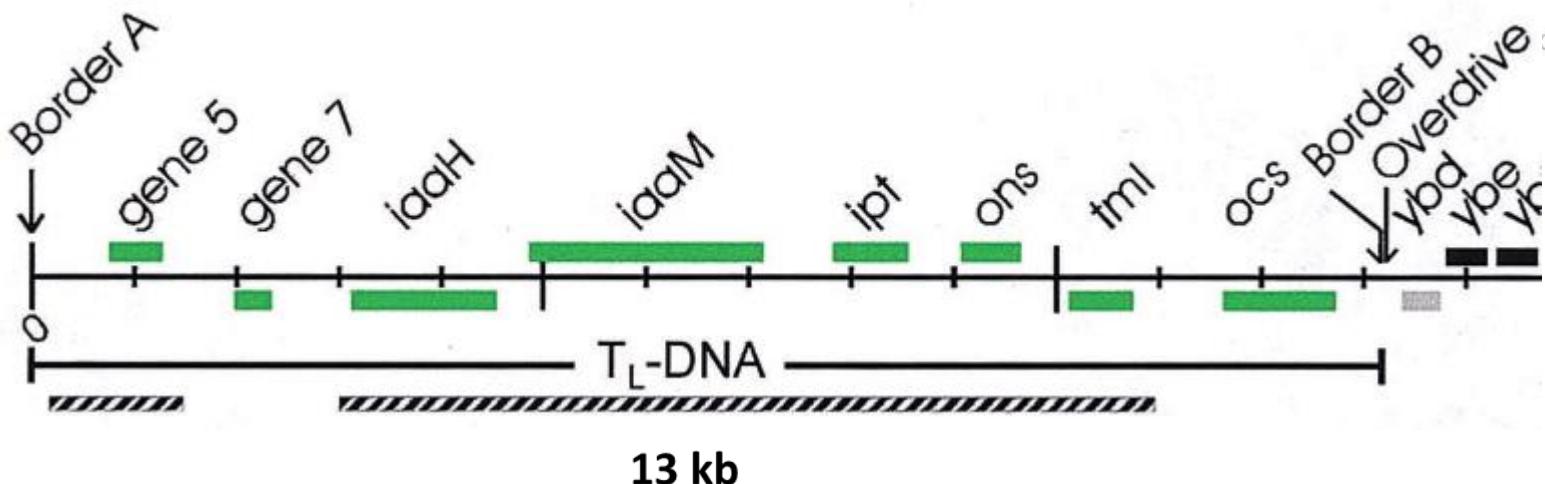


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Genetic locus	Description	Reference(s)
T-DNA genes		
<i>ags</i>	Agropine synthase, lactonization of mannopine	24, 40
Gene 5	Synthesis of indole-3-lactate, an auxin antagonist	57
→ <i>iaaH</i> and <i>iaaM</i>	Conversion of tryptophan to indole acetic acid (auxin)	55
<i>ipt</i>	Condensation of AMP and isopentenylpyrophosphate to form isopentenyl-AMP, a cytokinin	66
<i>mas1'</i> and <i>mas2'</i>	Mannopine synthase; condensation of glucose with glutamine or glutamate followed by reduction	24
<i>ocs</i>	Octopine synthase, reductive condensation of pyruvate with four basic amino acids	21
<i>ons</i>	Opine export from plant cells	75
<i>tml</i> (gene 6b)	Auxin sensitivity	108
Borders A, B, C, D	<i>cis</i> -acting sites required for T-DNA processing, functionally equivalent to conjugal origins of transfer	125
Overdrive	<i>cis</i> -acting site for optimal T-DNA transfer; VirC1 binding site	110, 113



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Nucleotide sequence of the *tms* genes of the pTiA6NC octopine Ti plasmid: Two gene products involved in plant tumorigenesis

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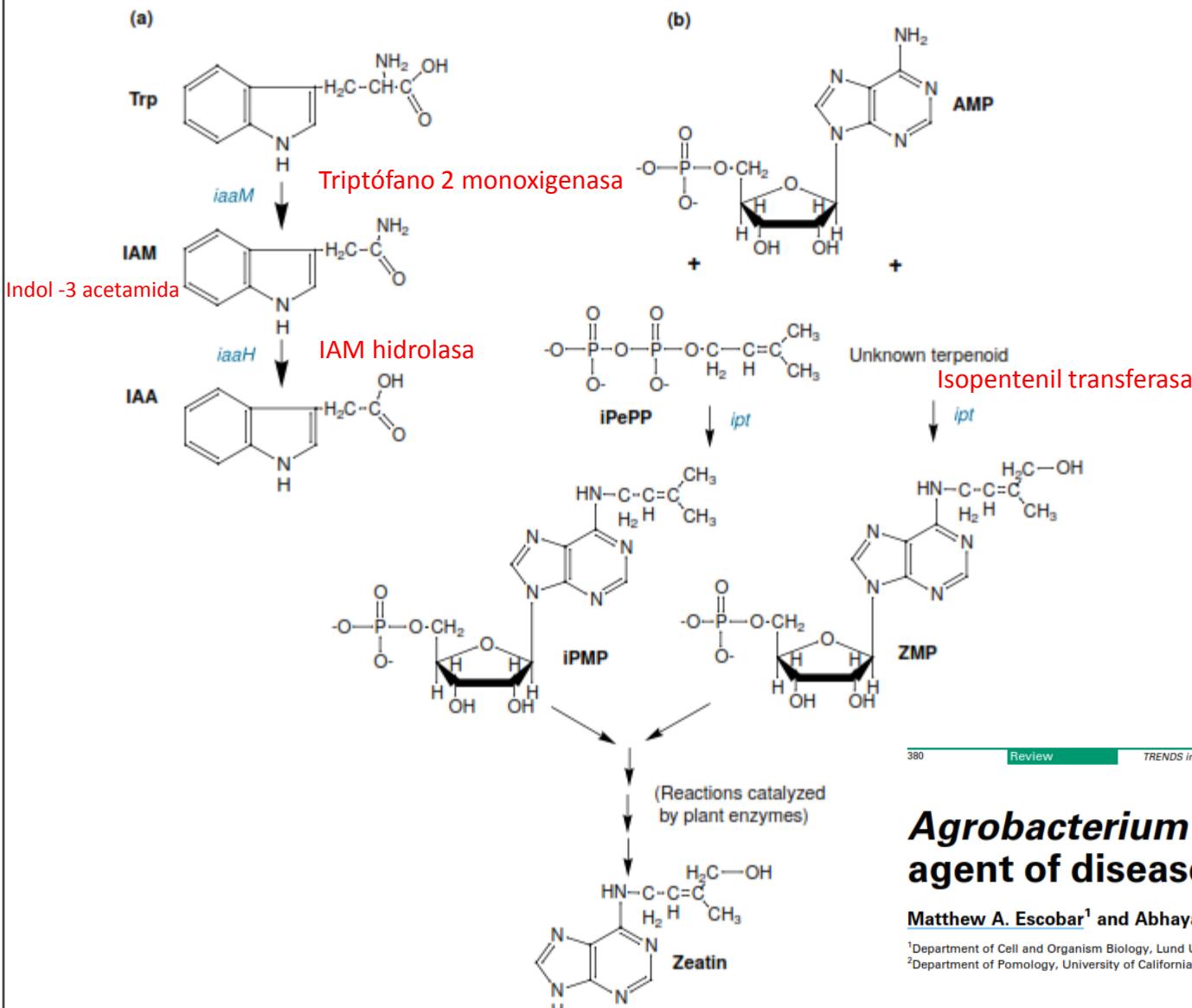
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***tms1* = Transcrito 1 = proteína 83,769 daltons = ?**

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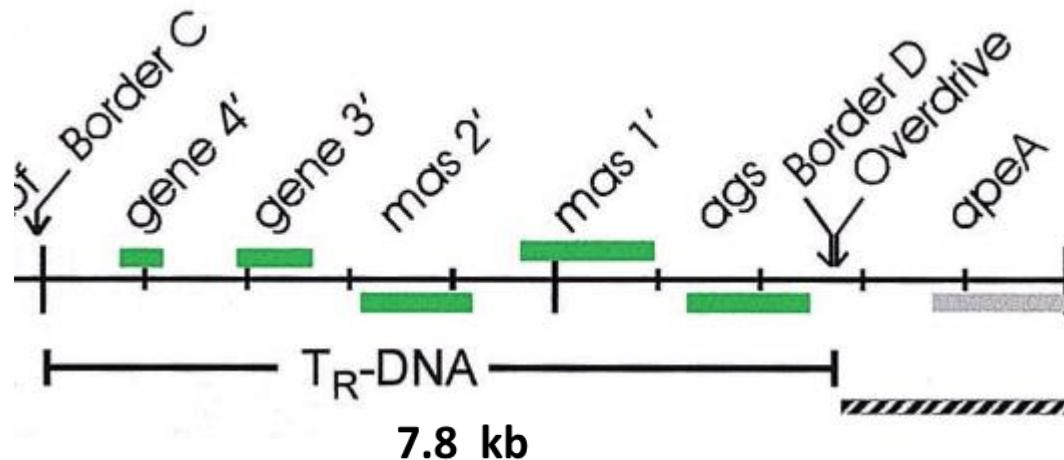
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Fig. 1. *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* derived phytohormone biosynthesis pathways. (a) Auxin biosynthesis catalyzed by the *iaaM* and *iaaH* oncogenes. (b) Cytokinin biosynthesis catalyzed by the *ipt* oncogene. Adapted from [28,80].



mas1' y **mas2'**: Manopina sintasa; condensación de glucosa con glutamine o glutamate seguido de una reducción

Ags: Agropine sintasa, lactonización of manopina

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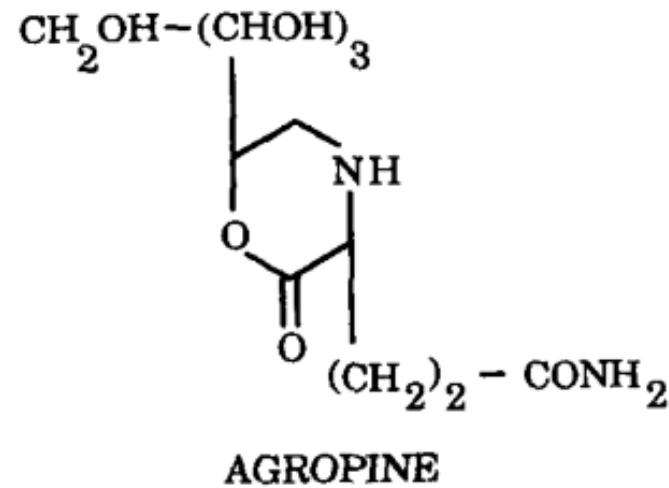
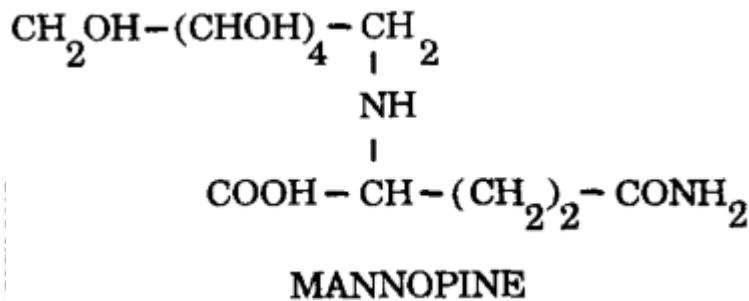
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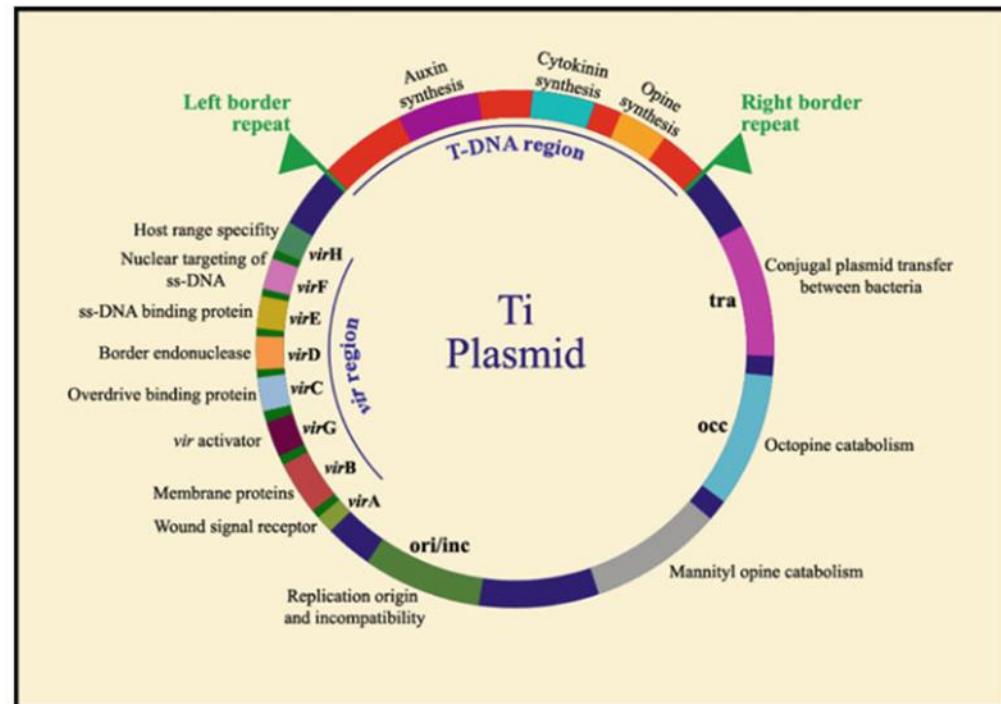
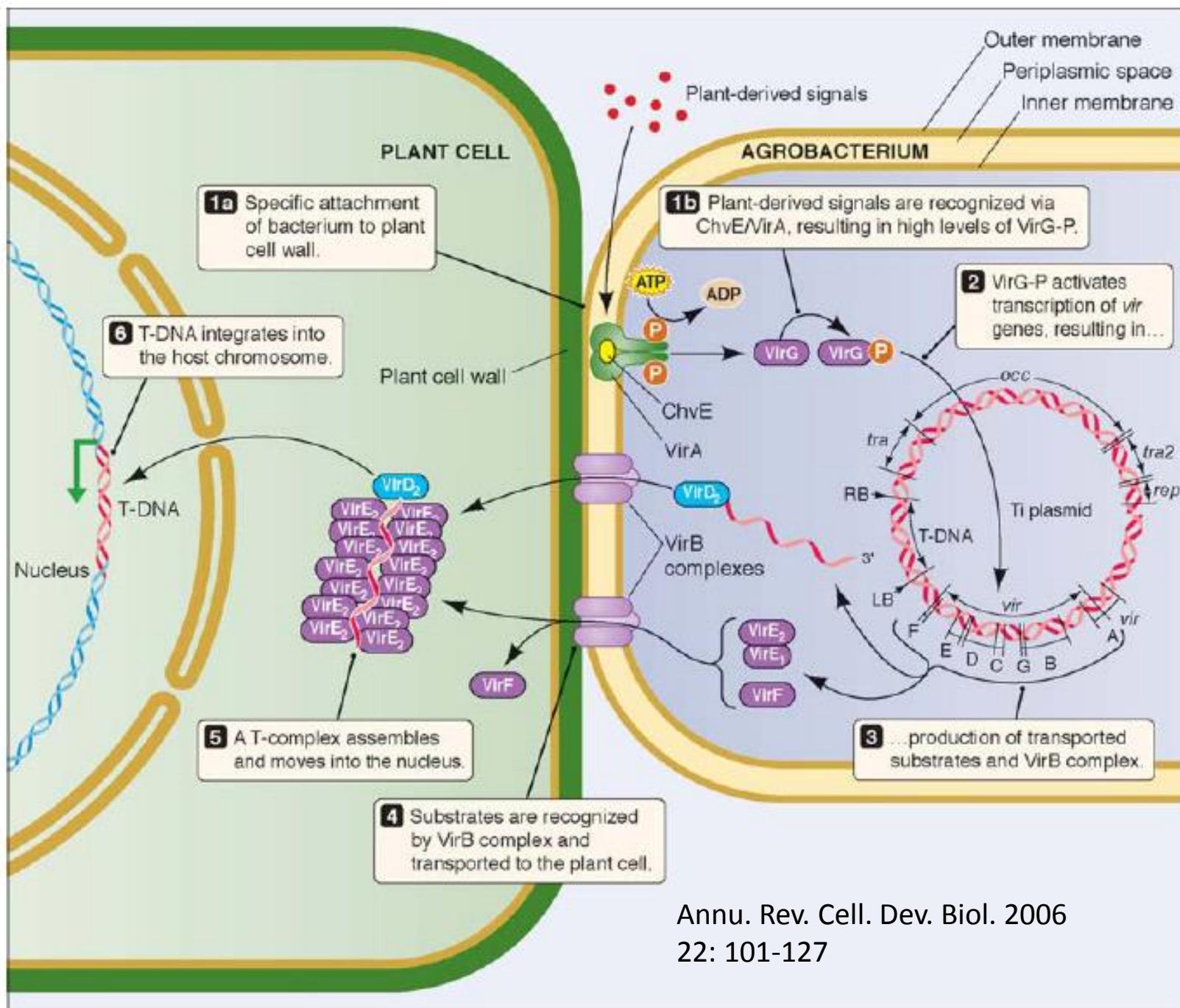


Fig. 12.5 Genetic map of octopine-type Ti plasmid (Modified from Ream 2002 and Özcan et al. 2004)

Table 12.2 The *vir* regions of Ti plasmids and their functions

<i>vir</i> Locus	Function
<i>virH</i>	Encodes VirH1 and VirH2 proteins (they could enhance the transfer efficiency, detoxifying certain plant compounds that can affect bacterial growth)
<i>virF</i>	Encodes 23 kDa protein (functions once the T-DNA complex is inside the plant cells via the conjugal channel or independently, as it was assumed for VirE2 export)
<i>virE</i>	Encodes ss-T-DNA binding protein (stabilizes T-DNA during or after transfer)
<i>virD</i>	Nicks Ti plasmid at T-DNA borders, covalently attaches to T-strand
<i>virC</i>	Binds to the 'overdrive' region to promote high efficiency T-strand synthesis
<i>virG</i>	Regulatory (transcriptional activator of other <i>vir</i> loci)
<i>virB</i>	Transfer apparatus (required for export of the T-complex and VirE2 into the plant cell)
<i>virA</i>	Regulatory (recognizes plant metabolites, activates <i>virG</i>)



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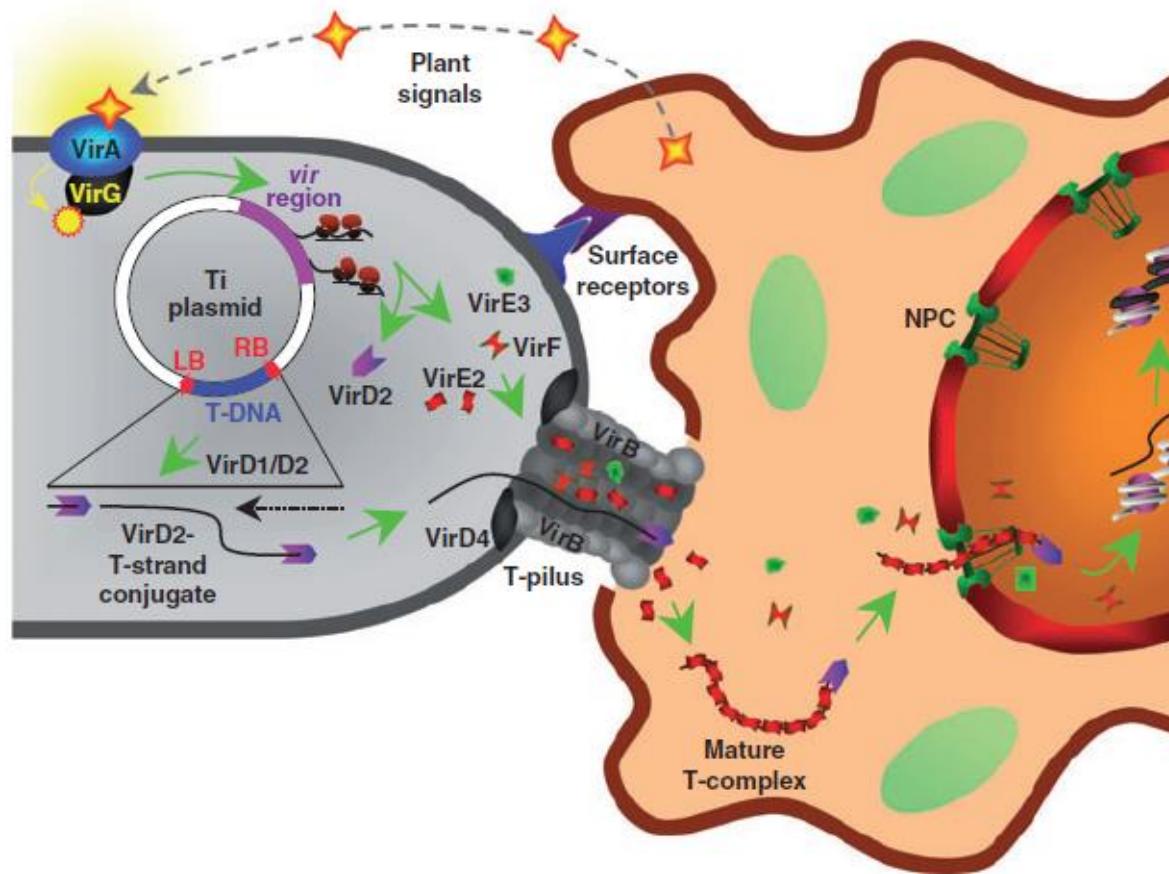


Fig. 1. Summary of major molecular events and structures within the *Agrobacterium* cell that generate the Vir protein machinery and T-strands which then are transported into the plant cell, enter its nucleus and integrate into the genome. The transformation process begins with recognition of plant signals by the bacterial VirA/VirG sensory system, followed by activation of the *vir* loci and attachment of the bacterium to the host cell. The T-strand is excised from the T-DNA region by VirD2/VirD1 and exported, *in cis* with a covalently attached VirD2 molecule and *in trans* with several other Vir proteins, into the plant cell cytoplasm via a VirB/D4 type IV secretion system. Inside the host cell, the VirD2–T-strand conjugate is packaged by numerous molecules of VirE2 to form a mature T-complex. For in-depth discussion on the T-complex transport and nuclear import, and T-DNA integration, see text.

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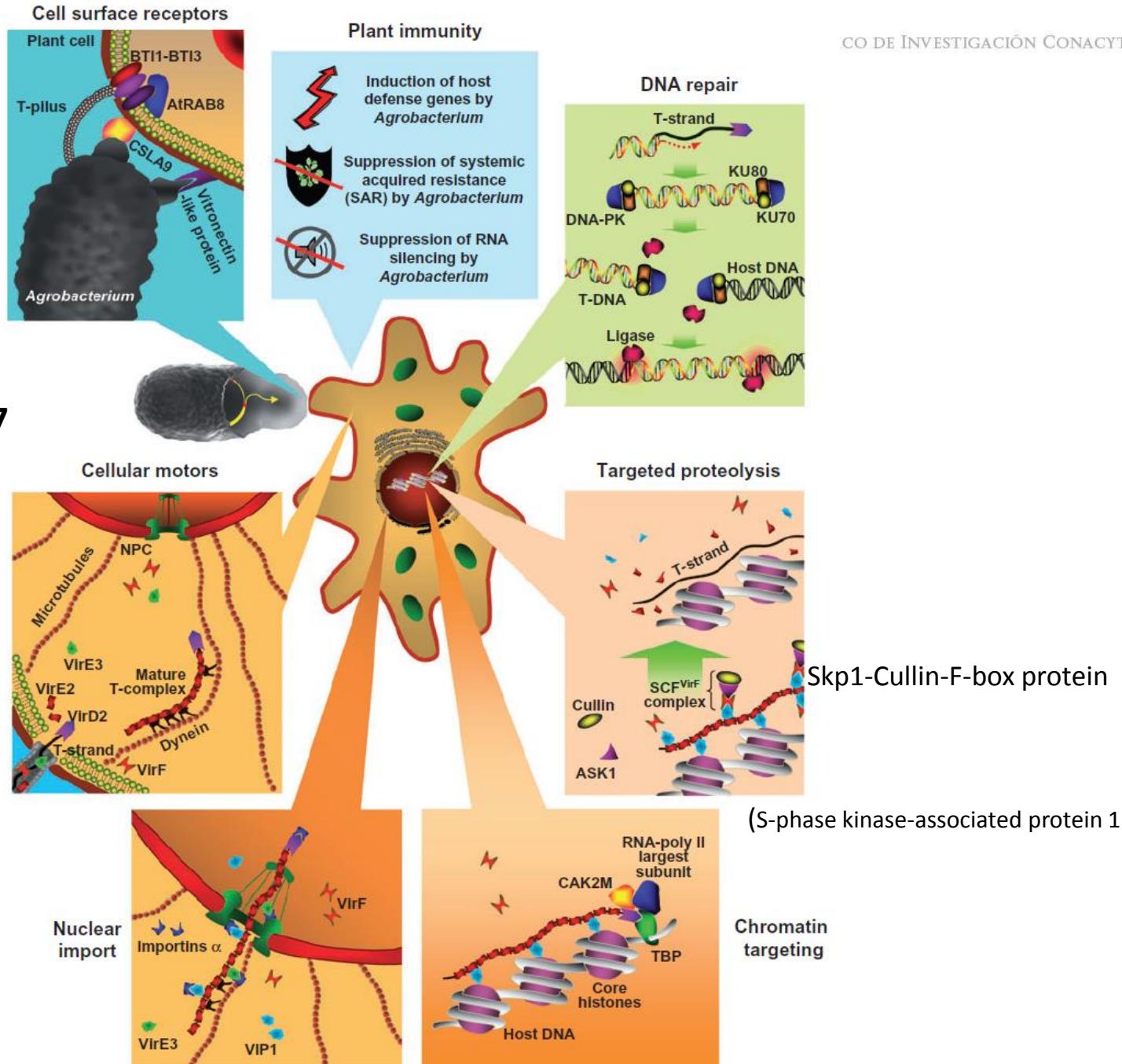


Fig. 2. Summary of major biological systems of the host cell that are involved in the *Agrobacterium*-mediate genetic transformation. Main molecular events associated with each biological system are depicted. For further details, see text.

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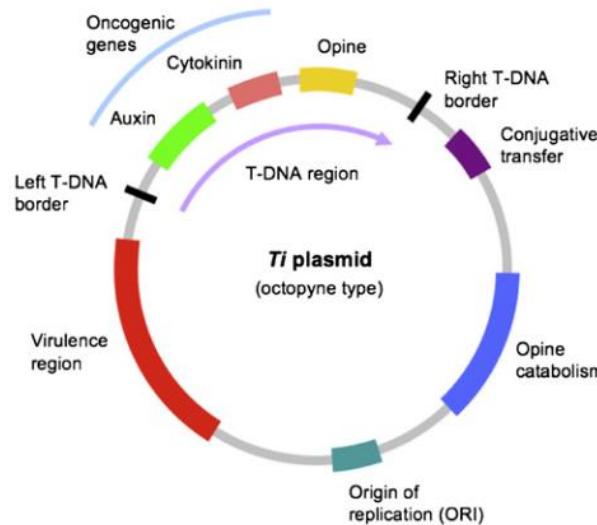
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Fig. 1. Crown gall tumor on an oak tree.

Plásmido Ti desarmado

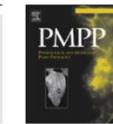
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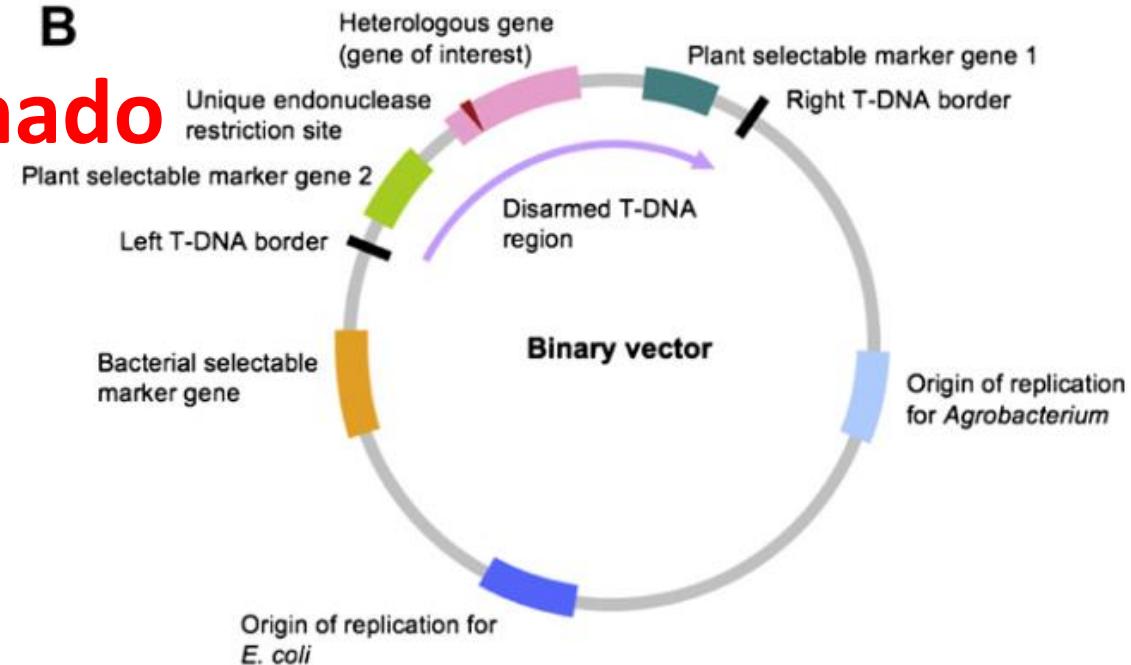
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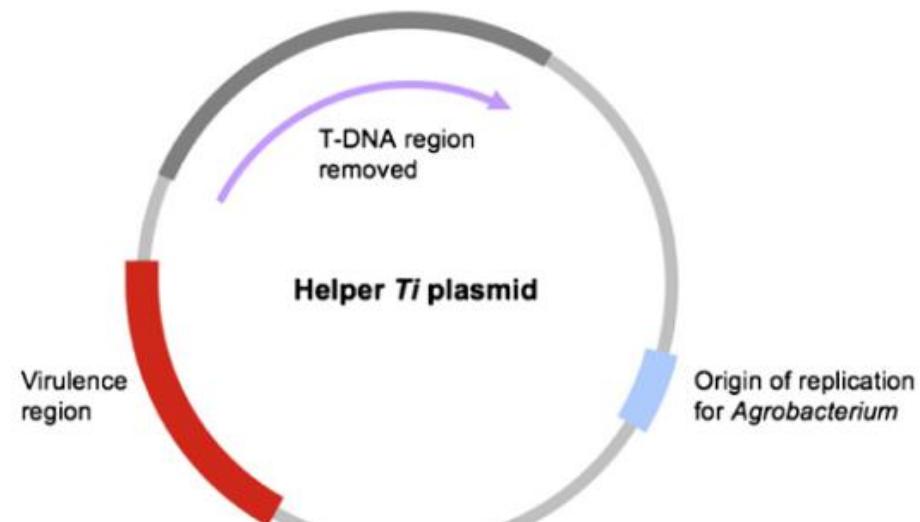
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Chapter 12

Agrobacterium tumefaciens and its Use in Plant Biotechnology

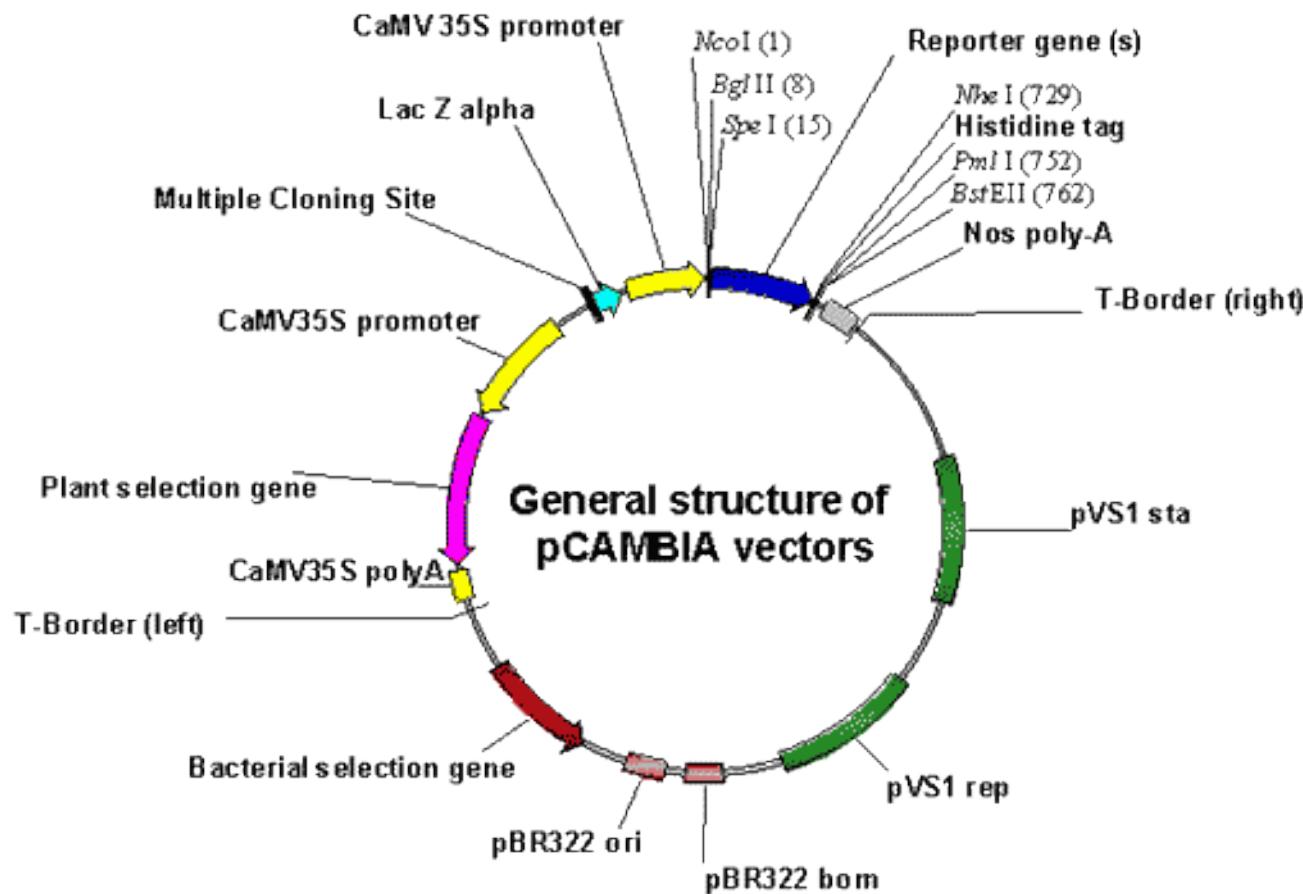
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Table 12.5 The mostly used marker and reporter genes, their encoded enzymes and conferred resistances

Marker Gene	Enzyme Encoded	Resistance Conferred
Antibiotics		
<i>npt</i> II	Neomycin phosphotransferase	Kanamycin, neomycin, G418, paromycin
<i>hpt</i> or <i>aph</i> IV	Hygromycin -phosphotransferase	Hygromycin
<i>dhfr</i> bacterial or mouse	Dihydrofolate reductase	Methotrexate
<i>bla</i>	TEM-1 β-lactamase	Ampicillin
<i>aadA</i>	Association with several transposons (Tn7, Tn21, ...)	Streptomycin and spectinomycin
Herbicides		
<i>bar</i>	Phosphinothricin acetyltransferase	Phosphinothricin
<i>aro A</i>	5-enolpyruvylshikimate-3-phosphate synthase	Glyphosate
Modified <i>als</i> genes	Acetohydroxyacid synthase (or acetolactate synthase)	Chlorsulfuron, imidazolanones
Reporter Genes		
<i>CAT</i>	Chloramphenicol acetyltransferase	
<i>GUS</i>	β-glucuronidase	
<i>npt</i> II	Neomycin phosphotransferase	
<i>Luc</i>	Luciferase	
<i>bar</i>	Phosphinothricin acetyltransferase	
<i>β-gal</i>	β-galactosidase	

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1. En un gran porcentaje una copia del ADN-T se integra al genoma vegetal
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3. Es posible transferir grandes fragmentos de ADN.

Al sistema de transformación vía *Agrobacterium tumefaciens*, se le considera mas precisa, mas controlable y por lo tanto mas “limpia” que el bombardeo de micropartículas.

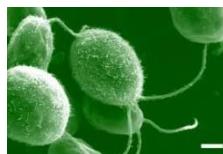
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Daucus carota
Manihot esculenta
Solanum tuberosum
Ipomea batatas

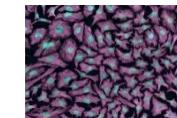
Plantas tropicales

Musa sp
Citrus
Coffea sp
Carica papaya
Ananas comosus
Saccharum spp

Plantas medicinales: *Panax ginseng*, *Cannabis sativa*, *Papaver somniferum*



Algas verdes (*Chlamydomonas reinhardtii*)



Levaduras (*Saccharomyces cerevisiae*)

Actinomicetos (*Streptomyces lividans*)

Hongos filamentosos (*Magnaporthe grisea* y *Fusarium oxysporum*)

Champiñones (*Agaricus bisporus*)

Células de mamíferos (HeLa) Henrietta Lacks

Pastos

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Panicum virgatum
Festuca arundinacea
Lolium perenne

Nueces y frutas

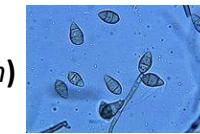
Castanea dentata
Malus x domestica
Vaccinium corymbosum
Vitis vinifera
Fragaria x ananassa
Juglans

Especies leñosas

Ulmus americana
Quercus suber
Eucaliptus
Pinus radiata
Populus spp
Hevea brasiliensis

Plantas Ornamentales

Dianthus caryophylus
Dendranthema x grandiflora
Phaelenopsis, Oncidium, Cymbidium
Petunia hybrida
Rosa hybrida



Chapter 2

New Approaches to *Agrobacterium tumefaciens*-Mediated Gene Transfer to Plants

Mustafa Yildiz, Murat Aycan and Sunjung Park

Additional information is available at the end of the chapter

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Para lograr el éxito de la tabla anterior

Se ha manipulado algunas variables para aumentar la Eficiencia de Transformación:

Densidad bacteriana

pH del medio

Concentración de acetosiringona

Infiltración a vacío

Tiempo de cocultivo

Temperatura de cocultivo

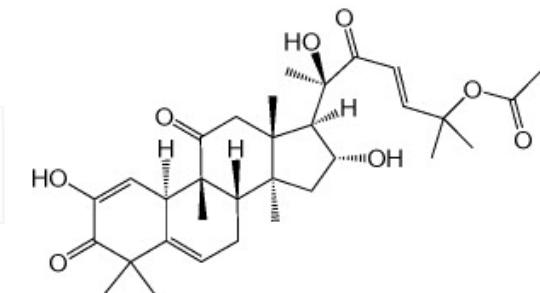
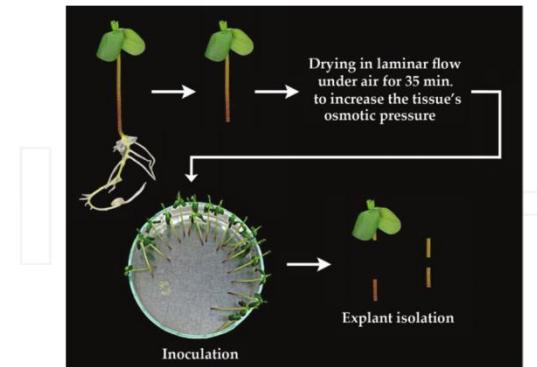


Figure 2. Explant isolation from inoculated 7-old-day flax seedlings having cotyledon leaves without root system.

1. Utilizing explant's negative atmospheric pressure for increased gene transformation

2. The effect of squirting cucumber (*Ecballium elaterium* (L.) A. Rich) fruit juice on *A. tumefaciens*-mediated transformation



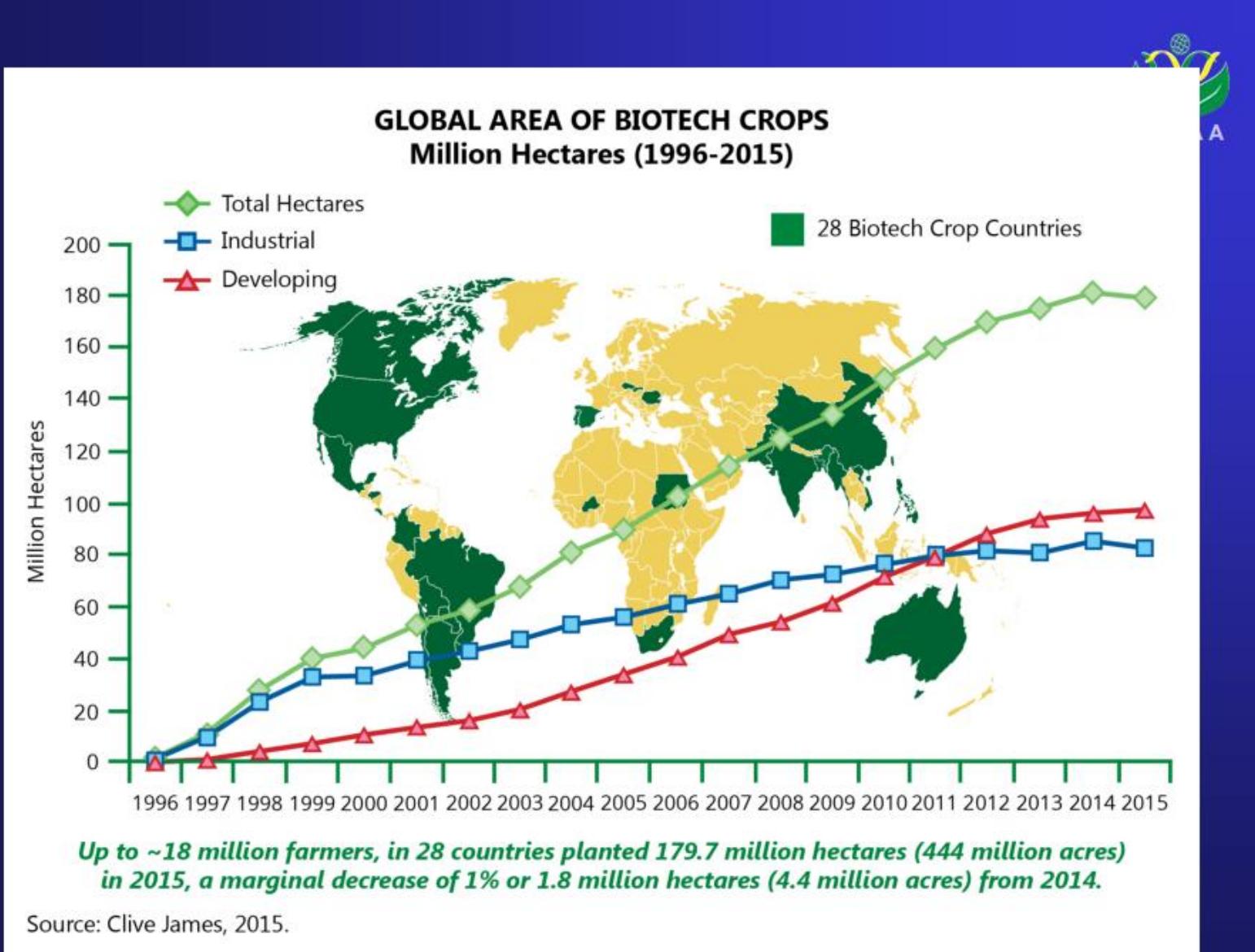
Pepinillo del diablo (purgante)

α -elaterin (cucurbitacin E), β -elaterin (cucurbitacin B), elatericine A (cucurbitacin D), and elatericine B (cucurbitacin I) that are poisonous and showed antibacterial activities

3. Use of magnetic field strength (0-control, 75, 150, and 300 mT) for high-transformation frequency via *A. tumefaciens*

4. The effect of gamma radiation (0-control, 40, 80, and 120 Gy) on *A. tumefaciens*-mediated transformation

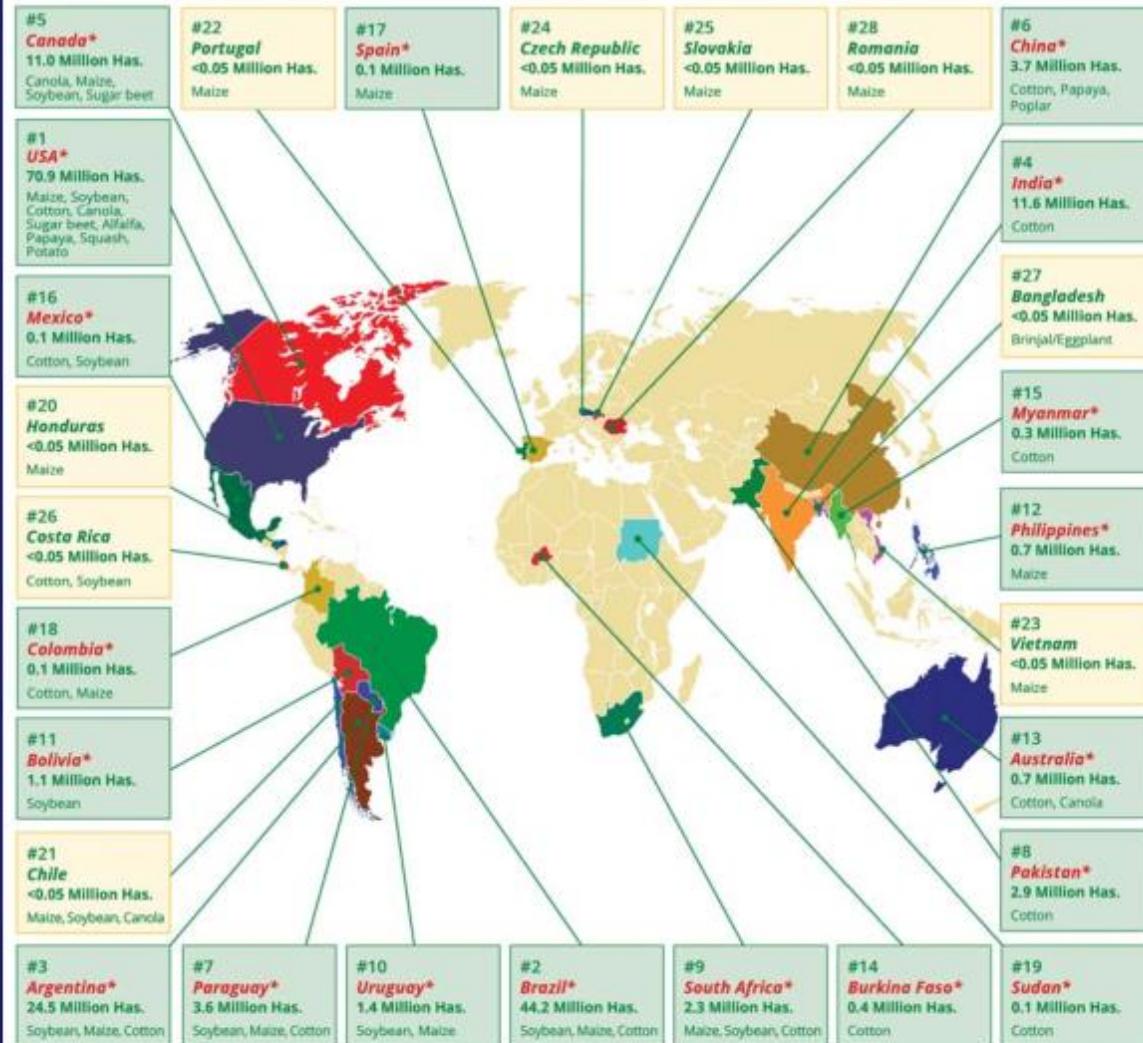
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Biotech Crop Countries and Mega-Countries*, 2015



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*19 biotech mega-countries growing 50,000 hectares, or more, of biotech crops.

Source: Clive James, 2015.



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Global Status of Commercialized Biotech/GM Crops: 2016



Up to ~18 million farmers in 26 countries planted 185.1 million hectares (457.4 million acres) in 2016, an increase of 3% or 5.4 million hectares (13.1 million acres) from 2015.

Table 1. Global Area of Biotech Crops, the First 21 Years, 1996 to 2016

Year	Hectares (million)	Acres (million)
1996	1.7	4.2
1997	11.0	27.2
1998	27.8	68.7
1999	39.9	98.6
2000	44.2	109.2
2001	52.6	130.0
2002	58.7	145.0
2003	67.7	167.3
2004	81.0	200.2
2005	90.0	222.4
2006	102.0	252.0
2007	114.3	282.4
2008	125.0	308.9
2009	134.0	331.1
2010	148.0	365.7
2011	160.0	395.4
2012	170.3	420.8
2013	175.2	432.9
2014	181.5	448.5
2015	179.7	444.0
2016	185.1	457.4
Total	2,149.7	5,312.0

Global hectarage of biotech crops in 2016 increased to 185.1 million hectares compared with 179.7 million hectares in 2015, equivalent to 3% or 5.4 million hectares.

Agrobacterium rhizogenes

Genes presentes en el ADN-T del Plásmido Ri

Genes *rolA*, *rolB*, *rolC* y *rolD*

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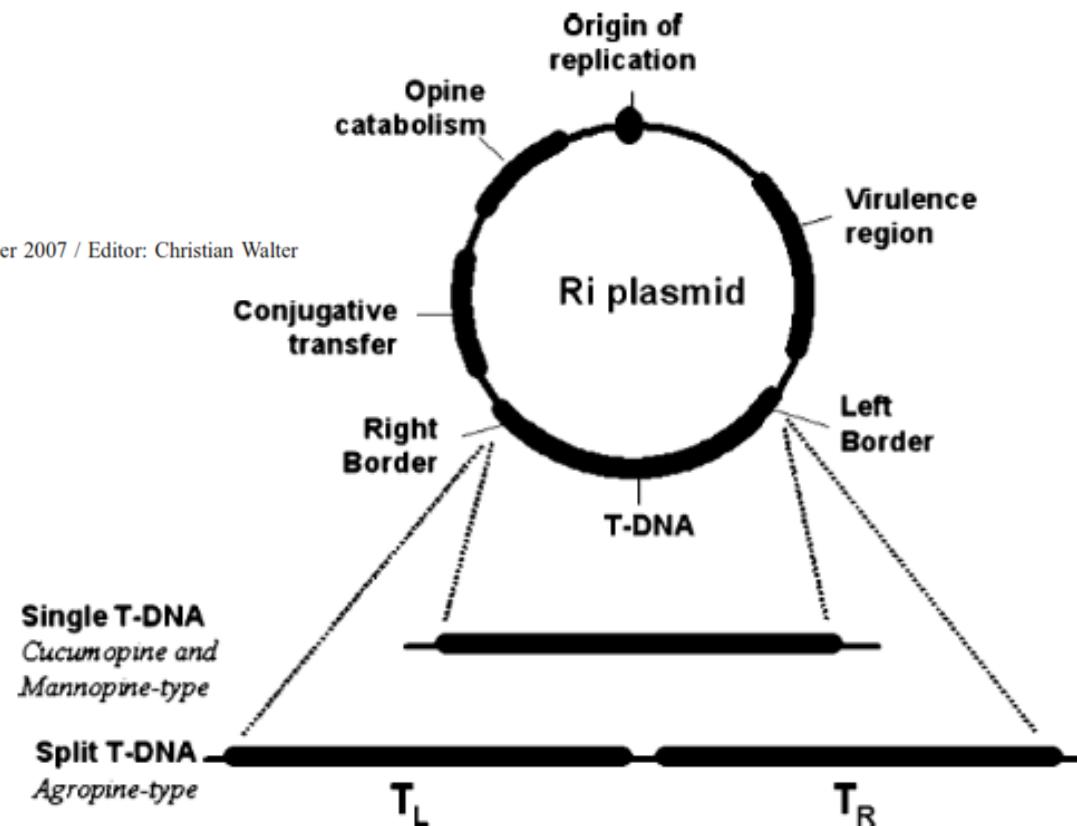
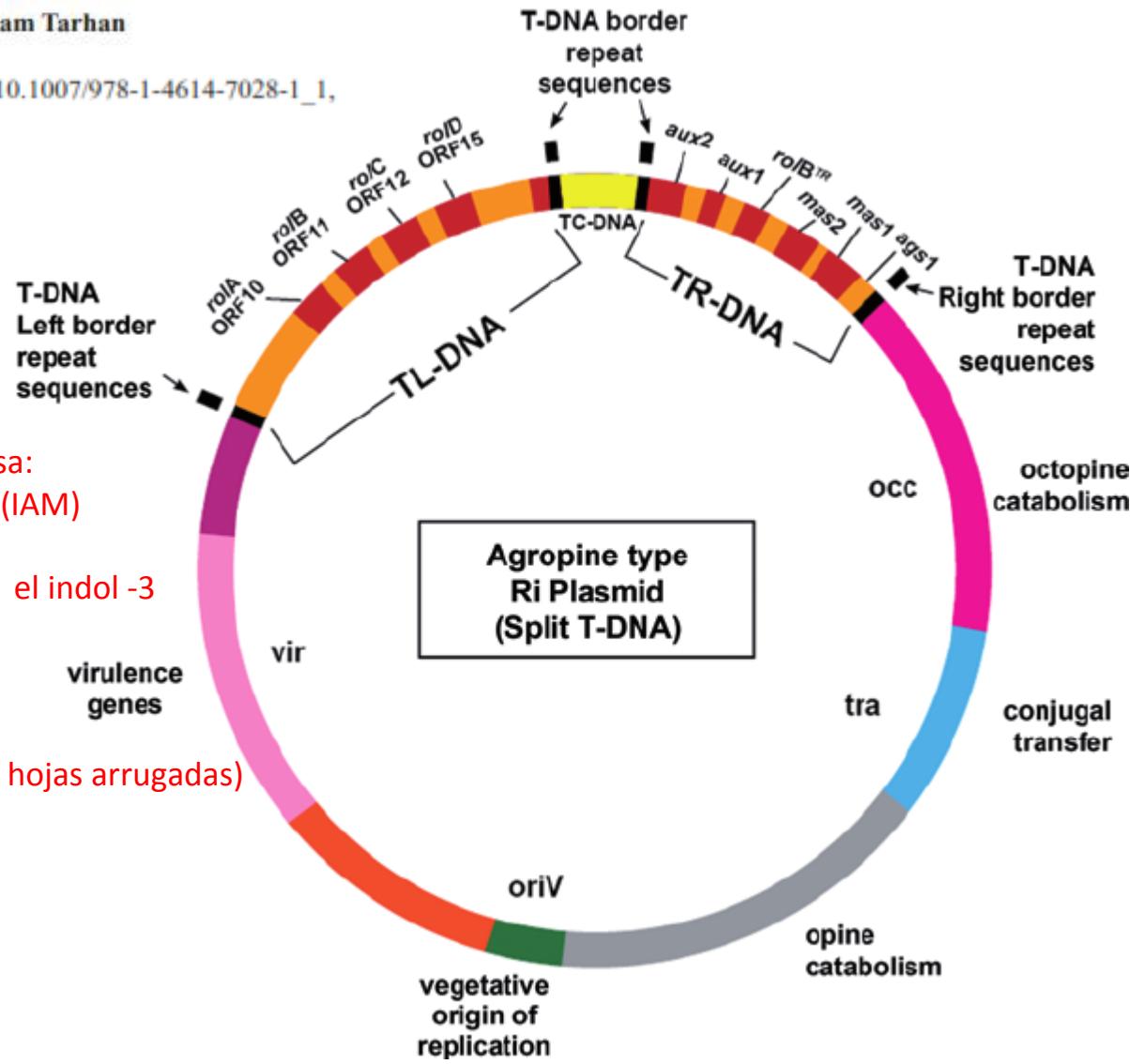


Figure 2. Structure of the Ri-plasmids of *A. rhizogenes*.

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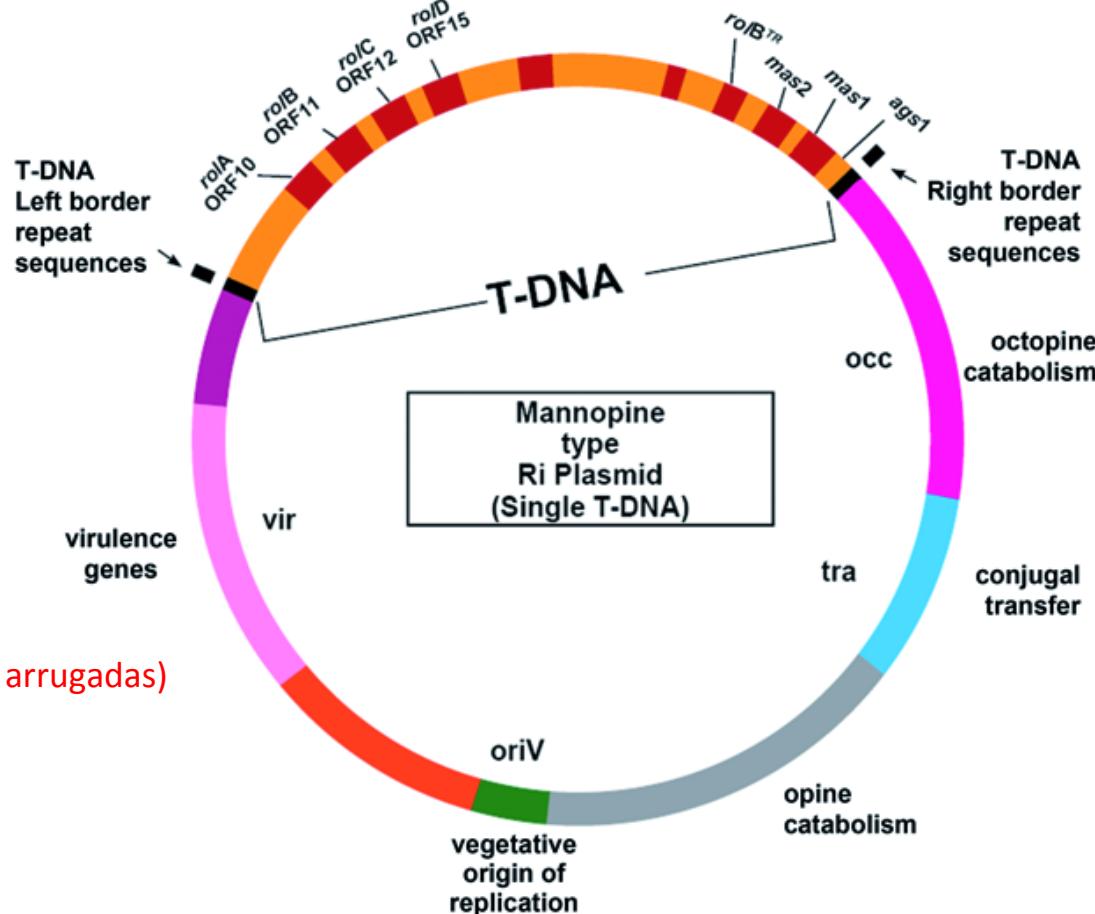
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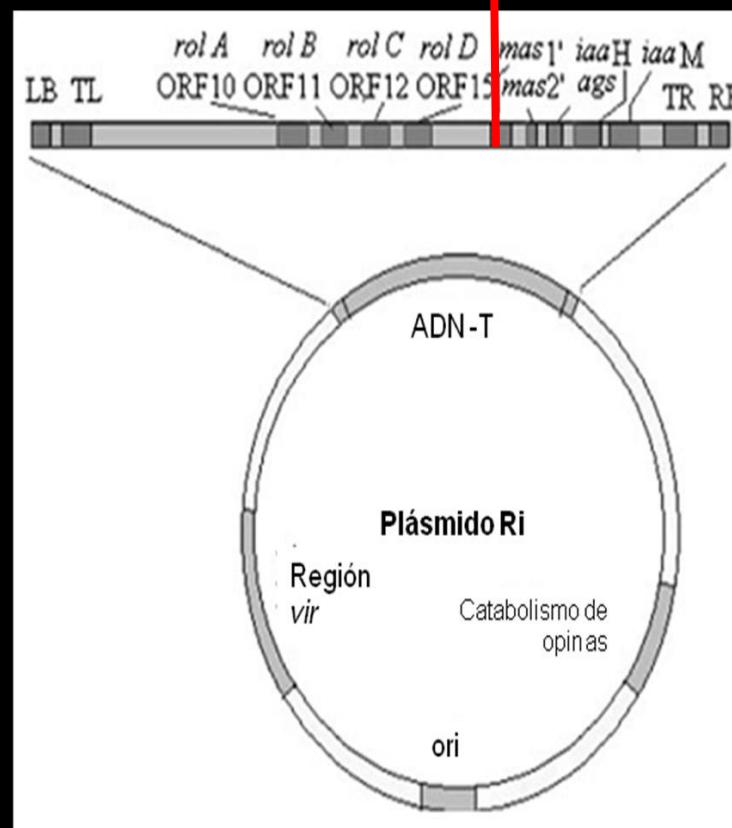
rolBTR = gen homólogo del *rolB* (produce hojas arrugadas)

mas1 y *mas2* = Manopina sintasa

ags1 = Agropina sintasa

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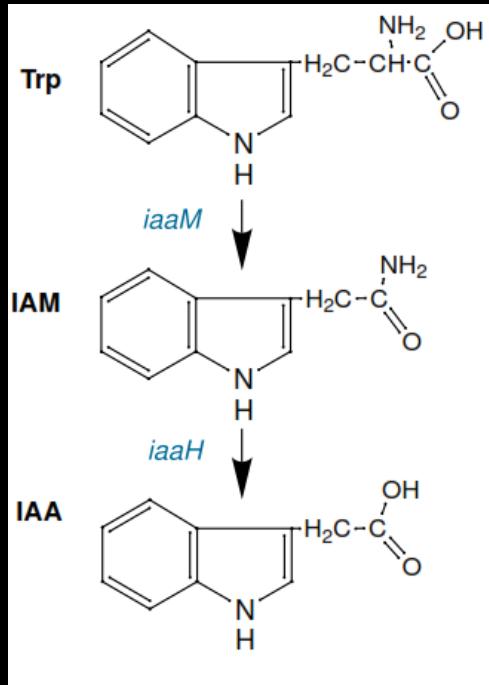
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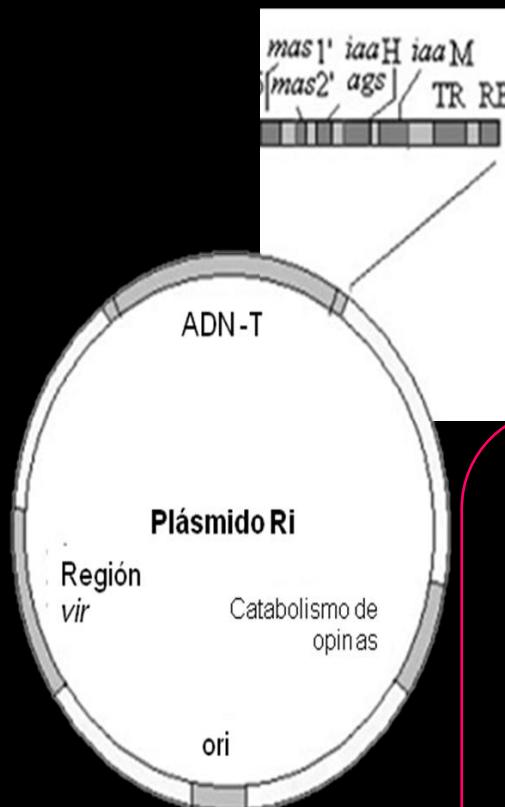
Natural plant genetic engineer *Agrobacterium rhizogenes*: role of T-DNA in plant secondary metabolism

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iaaM = Triptofano monooxigenasa



El ADNT – BORDE DERECHO



iaaH = Indol-3-acetamida-hidrolasa = produce AIA biosíntesis de auxinas.

La síntesis de las opinas, manopina (*mas1* 'y *mas2*') y agropina (*ags*).

Genes *rolA*, *rolB*, *rolC* y *rolD*

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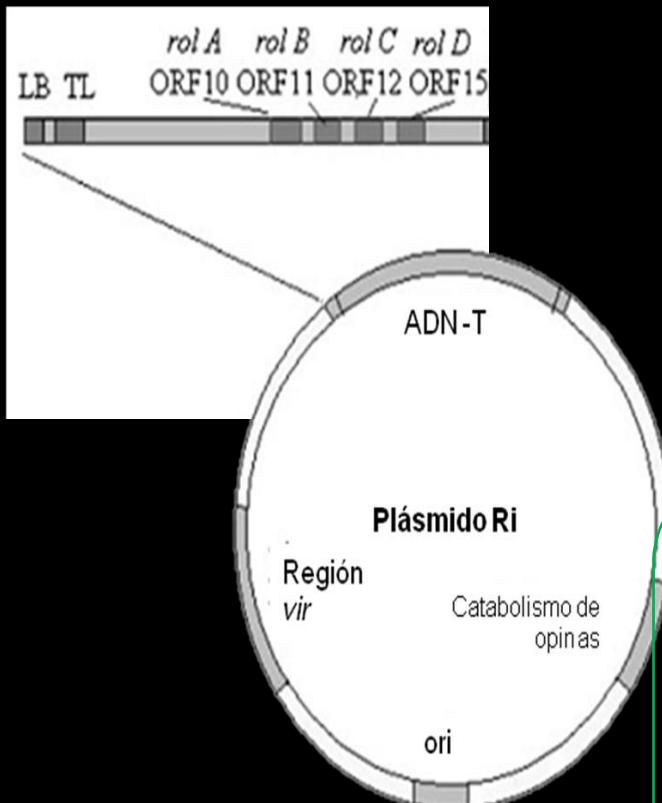
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rol = root locus

rol A (ORF10) -
proteína de unión de
ácidos nucléicos .

Papillomavirus E2 DNA-binding
domain

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rol B (ORF11) -
Fosfatasa de tirosina, que
inhibe el crecimiento del
tejido vegetal y aumenta
la producción de
metabolitos.

Moriuchi et al. (2004) identified the nuclear localization of the RolB protein and, based on this finding and by analogy with the *A. tumefaciens* **6b protein**, hypothesized that RolB might function as a transcriptional coactivator/mediator.

rol C (ORF12) -
activa procesos del
metabolismo
secundario, libera
citocininas y auxinas.

rol D (ORF15) -
ornitina ciclodesaminasa
que convierte la ornitina
en prolina
*(estabilidad en el
crecimiento de las raíces y
abundante floración en las
plantas transformadas).*

Enhanced production of isoflavones by elicitation in hairy root cultures of Soybean

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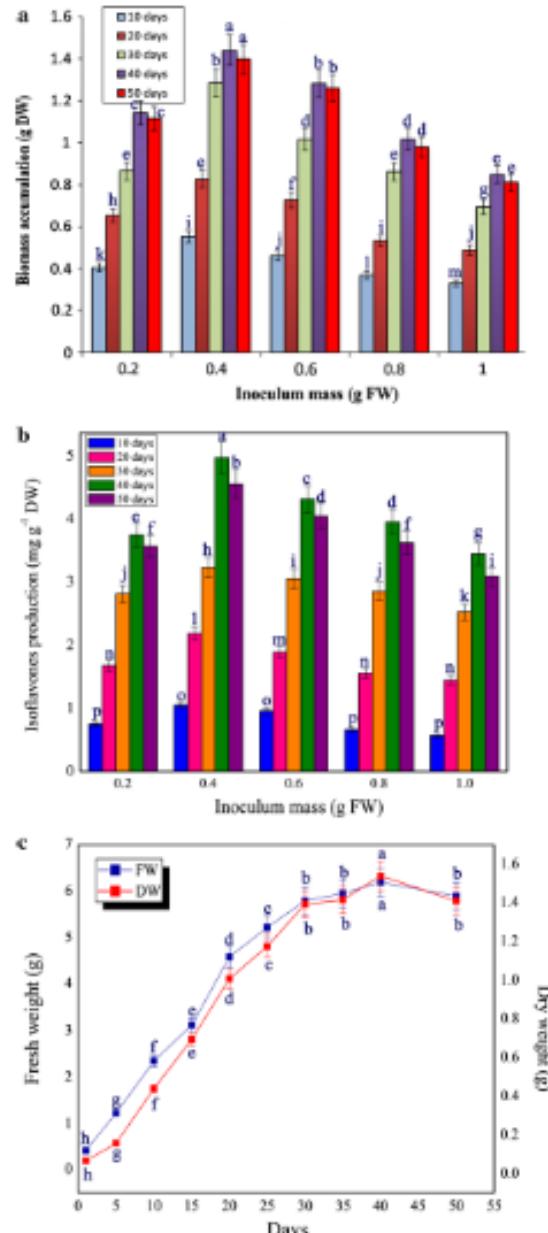


Fig. 1 Effect of inoculum mass on biomass accumulation (a) and isoflavones production (b) in half-strength MS liquid media. Data were recorded for 50 days at every 10 days interval. (c) Time-course study of soybean hairy roots. Fresh and dry weight of the biomass is taken at every 5 days interval. Data are represented as the mean \pm standard error from three replicates

The growth and saponin production of *Platycodon grandiflorum* (Jacq.) A. DC. (Chinese bellflower) hairy roots cultures maintained in shake flasks and mist bioreactor

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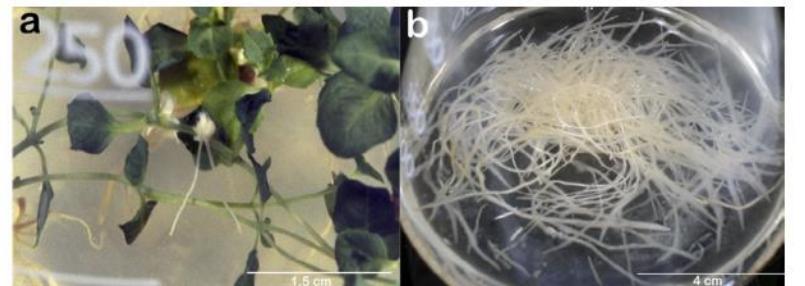


Fig. 1 a *Platycodon grandiflorum* hairy roots growing from inoculated site of plantlet, week 2 after inoculation. b Hairy roots on hormone-free WPM medium with sucrose (40 g/l). Culture week 2.



Fig. 6 *P. grandiflorum* hairy root biomass of transgenic line Pl 17 after the culture period of 12 weeks in 5-l bioreactor with liquid WPM medium supplemented with 40 g/l sucrose.

Genetic transformation studies and scale up of hairy root culture of *Glycyrrhiza glabra* in bioreactor

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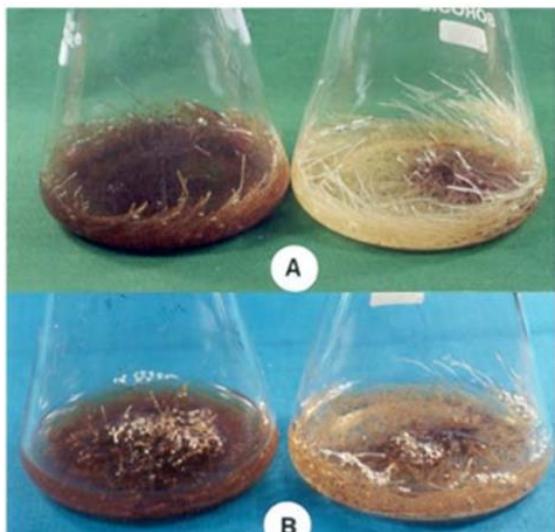


Figure 3. Agrobacterium rhizogenes mediated transformed roots of *Glycyrrhiza glabra* cultured in different basal medium. (From left to right) B5 and NB (A); WP and MS (B).



Figure 4. *G. glabra* hairy roots in bioreactor (a) Biomass harvested after 30 day of inoculation (b and c).



Bubble column with
Hairy roots of *B. vulgaris*



Stirred tank reactor with
suspension culture of
Helianthus annuus

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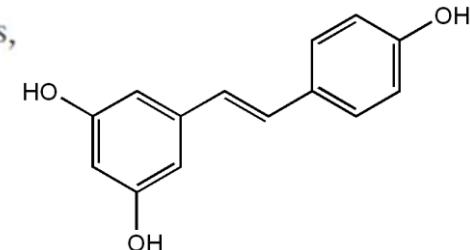
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Callos de *Vitis amurensis* transformados con el gen *rolB*, resultan en un aumento de más de 100 veces en la producción de **resveratrol** (Kiselev et al., 2007). (**3,5,4'-trihidroxiestilbeno**) es un potente antioxidante (**antiedad**).

Nc = Testigo negativo (PCR sin ADN)

Pc = Testigo positivo (pPCV002-*rolABC*)

R = Callos sin transformar (silvestres)

RA = Callos transformados con el gen *rolA*

RABC = Callos transformados con los 3 genes

RA4 = Callos transformados con cepa silvestre de
Agrobacterium rhizogenes

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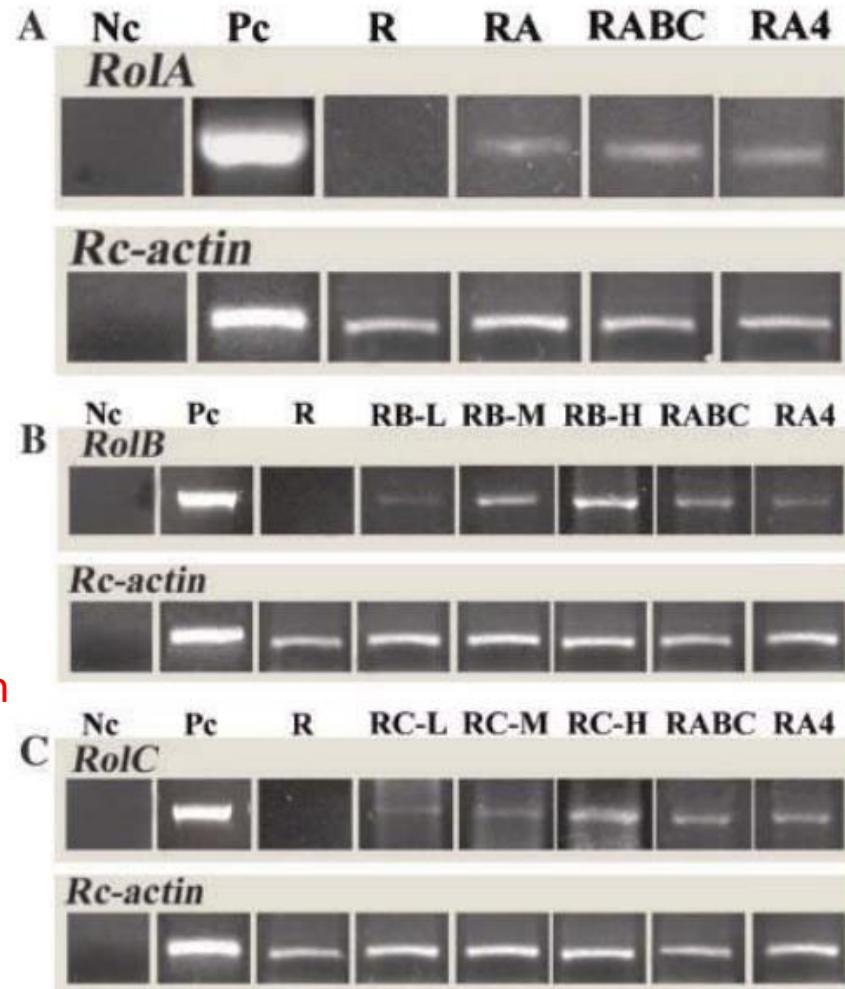


Figure 1. Semiquantitative RT-PCR analysis of *rolA* (**A**), *rolB* (**B**), and *rolC* (**C**) transcripts in comparison with actin gene (*Rc-act*) transcripts. R (untransformed callus line), RA (*rolA*-transformed callus line), RB [*rolB*-transformed calli lines with low (L), medium (M), and high (H) level of *rolB* gene expression], RC [*rolC*-transformed calli lines with low (L), medium (M), and high (H) level of *rolC* gene expression], RABC (callus line transformed with three genes *rolA*, *rolB*, and *rolC*), RA4 (callus line transformed with wild-type strain of *A. rhizogenes* A₄). Total RNA was isolated from the 30-day callus cultures. Nc, negative control (PCR mixture without plant cDNA); Pc, positive control (pPCV002-*rolABC* for the *rol* genes and PCR fragment of the actin cDNA for *Rc-act*).

ICS = Isocorismato sintasa

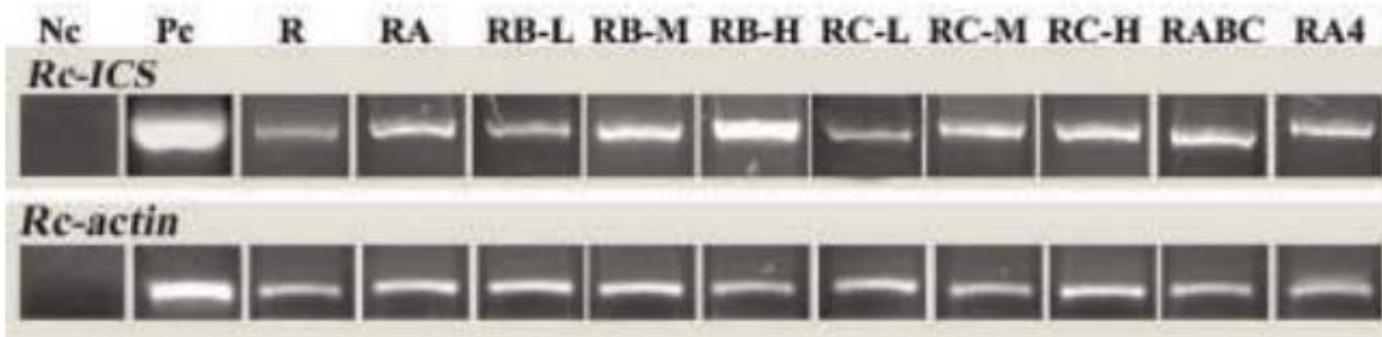


Figure 3. Semiquantitative RT-PCR analysis of *R. cordifolia* isochorismate synthase (*Rc-ICS*) transcripts in comparison with actin (*Rc-act*) transcripts. R (untransformed callus line), RA (*rolA*-transformed callus line), RB [*rolB*-transformed calli lines with low (L), medium (M), and high (H) level of *rolB* gene expression], RC [*rolC*-transformed calli lines with low (L), medium (M), and high (H) level of *rolC* gene expression], RABC (callus line transformed with *rolA*, *rolB*, and *rolC*), RA4 (callus line transformed with wild-type strain of *A. rhizogenes* A₄). Total RNA was isolated from the 30-day callus cultures. Nc, negative control (PCR mixture without plant cDNA); Pc, positive control (PCR fragment of the *ICS* cDNA for *Rc-ICS* and PCR fragment of actin cDNA for *Rc-act*).

Table I. Expression of the *rolA*, *rolB*, *rolC*, *Rc-ICS* genes^a, biomass accumulation^b, and anthraquinone content^c in non-transgenic and different variants of transgenic callus cultures of *R. cordifolia*.

Cell lines	Gene expression, RFU					Fresh biomass (g)	Total AQ content (% dry wt)
	<i>rolA</i>	<i>rolB</i>	<i>rolC</i>	<i>Rc-ICS</i>			
R	—	—	—	0.80 ± 0.12		5.40 ± 0.27	0.41 ± 0.02
RA	1.54 ± 0.11	—	—	4.00 ± 0.30	8.28 ± 0.60		1.10 ± 0.08
RB-L	—	2.10 ± 0.14	—	3.60 ± 0.16		4.53 ± 0.27	1.13 ± 0.01
RB-M	—	8.20 ± 0.30	—	17.00 ± 0.50		3.21 ± 0.21	4.70 ± 0.01
RB-H	—	14.00 ± 0.50	—	26.00 ± 0.90		1.89 ± 0.21	5.85 ± 0.08
RC-L	—	—	1.50 ± 0.10	3.10 ± 0.30		6.21 ± 0.21	0.81 ± 0.02
RC-M	—	—	2.58 ± 0.15	5.00 ± 0.45		4.98 ± 0.39	1.14 ± 0.02
RC-H	—	—	5.60 ± 0.35	9.00 ± 0.60		5.43 ± 0.21	1.78 ± 0.01
RABC	3.15 ± 0.15	7.80 ± 0.40	3.10 ± 0.13	14.00 ± 0.41		3.93 ± 0.24	2.54 ± 0.02
RA4	2.96 ± 0.17	5.10 ± 0.20	2.90 ± 0.16	10.00 ± 0.60		5.61 ± 0.21	1.80 ± 0.02

R (untransformed callus line), RA (*rolA*-transformed callus line), RB [*rolB*-transformed calli lines with low (L), medium (M), and high (H) level of *rolB* gene expression], RC [*rolC*-transformed calli lines with low (L), medium (M), and high (H) level of *rolC* gene expression], RABC (callus line transformed with three genes *rolA*, *rolB*, and *rolC*), RA4 (callus line transformed with wild-type strain of *A. rhizogenes A*₄).

^aSemiquantitative analysis was performed by RT-PCR followed by microchip-based DNA measurement. Data (mean ± SEM) represent measurements of three independent replicates from two different RNA isolations and are presented as relative fluorescent units (RFU) normalized to the expression of the *R. cordifolia* actin gene, as described in the Materials and Methods Section.

^bData are expressed as mean ± SEM from five separate experiments with three replicates each.

^cTotal AQ content representing sum of munjistin and purpurin (% of dry callus weight). Data are expressed as mean ± SEM from five separate experiments with three replicates each.

Las antraquinonas (AQs) poseen actividades antimicrobianas y hepatoprotectoras y son consideradas útiles en la desintegración y eliminación de piedras urinarias (Singh et al., 2004). Ejemplos, mollugina, rubiadina,

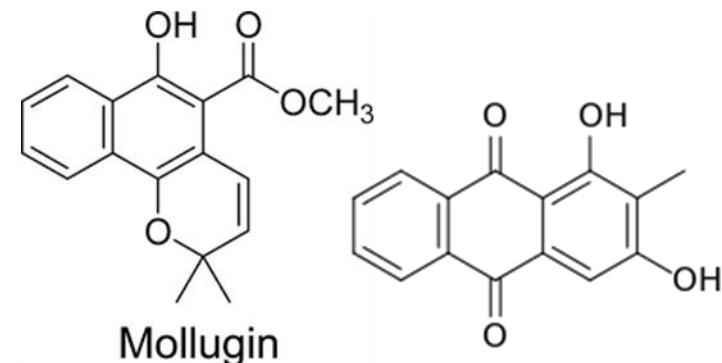


Table 1: Indole alkaloid contents of *C. roseus* transformed root lines at week 6 of culture on B5/2 solid medium. Values are expressed as mg g⁻¹ DW ± SD or % of total alkaloid content. Each value is the average of two replicates during 3 successive subcultures.

Line	Vindoline		Ajmalicine		Catharanthine	
	mg g ⁻¹ DW	% of total	mg g ⁻¹ DW	% of total	mg g ⁻¹ DW	% of total
13*	0.197±0.039	14.8	0.490±0.038	36.8	0.644±0.087	48.2
19*	0.321±0.056	23.3	0.789±0.014	42.0	0.768±0.048	40.9
101*	0.342±0.078	17.0	0.808±0.075	38.9	0.925±0.177	44.6
104	0.426±0.076	9.4	1.495±0.298	32.8	2.630±0.713	57.8
106	0.277±0.033	7.1	1.741±0.337	45.0	1.851±0.258	47.8
107	0.244±0.046	6.9	1.621±0.318	44.9	1.743±0.343	48.3
108*	0.192±0.038	14.4	0.423±0.103	31.7	0.721±0.145	53.9
109	0.339±0.059	9.9	1.840±0.335	54.1	1.221±0.231	35.9
110	0.354±0.069	6.6	2.106±0.385	39.6	2.864±0.558	53.8
114	0.321±0.023	7.3	2.308±0.457	52.8	1.740±0.336	39.8
115	0.533±0.098	14.3	1.243±0.239	33.2	1.940±0.357	52.2
116	0.261±0.052	7.4	1.828±0.359	51.9	1.436±0.139	40.7
117	0.652±0.123	13.7	1.306±0.306	27.4	2.810±0.548	58.9
118	0.609±0.119	14.9	1.337±0.257	32.7	2.142±0.386	52.4
126	0.612±0.099	11.1	1.935±0.375	35.2	2.956±0.572	53.7
127	0.253±0.051	4.7	2.660±0.518	49.1	2.504±0.498	46.2
128	0.399±0.076	10.3	1.430±0.275	37.1	2.028±0.386	52.6
137	0.338±0.025	6.9	1.869±0.359	38.6	2.630±0.585	54.4
140*	0.113±0.022	11.7	0.513±0.106	53.3	0.336±0.015	34.9
141	0.275±0.052	6.3	2.166±0.415	49.4	1.939±0.376	44.3
146	0.275±0.053	10.3	1.032±0.180	38.6	1.370±0.265	51.2
152	0.417±0.079	10.6	1.141±0.218	28.9	2.436±0.493	61.8
154	0.783±0.158	15.2	1.679±0.335	32.5	2.689±0.710	52.3

* Roots with thick morphology.

Relation Between the Amount of *ro/C* Gene Product and Indole Alkaloid Accumulation in *Catharanthus roseus* Transformed Root Cultures

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Morphological and Physiological Changes in Transgenic *Chrysanthemum morifolium* Ramat. ‘Ogura-nishiki’ with *rolC*

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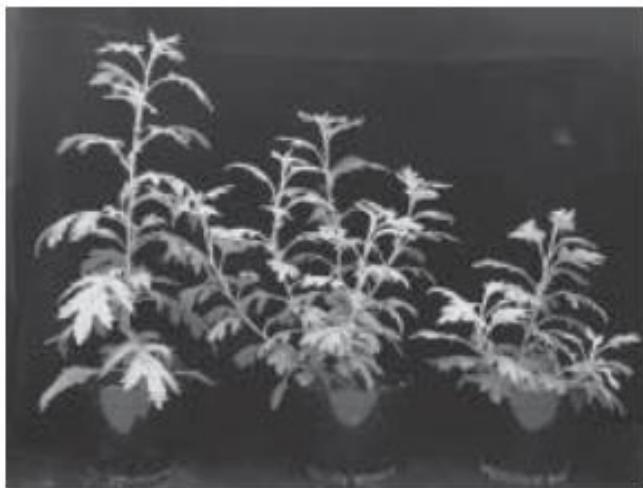


Fig. 3. Morphological differences between a wild-type and *rolC*-transformed plants grown in a greenhouse kept at 25°C for 8 weeks.

Table 1. Number of shoots, and shoot and internode lengths of wild-type and transformants 12 weeks after being transferred to a greenhouse.

	Number of shoots ^x	Shoot length ^y (cm)	Internode length ^y (cm)
Wild-type	1.0 ± 0*	39.9 ± 0.6	2.4 ± 0.1
oprolC-17	4.2 ± 0.2*	25.3 ± 2.1*	1.3 ± 0.1*
oprolC-18	3.8 ± 0.2*	15.9 ± 2.2*	0.8 ± 0.2*

* indicates significant differences between *rolC*-transgenic and wild-type lines according to the *t*-test ($P < 0.05$).

^x Numbers of shoots over 5 cm were counted.

^y Shoot lengths of the longest shoots were measured.

^{*} Average values of the fifth to tenth leaves.

^{*} Means ± SE (n = 5).

Table 2. Florets number and length of wild-type and transformants.

	Floret number per inflorescence ^z		Floret length (cm) ^y	
	Tubular florets	Ray florets	Tubular florets	Ray florets
Wild-type	68.5 ± 6.9 ^x	49.8 ± 6.1	0.73 ± 0.08	3.0 ± 0.2
oprolC-17	75.8 ± 9.6	43.2 ± 8.2	0.71 ± 0.13	2.0 ± 0.3*
oprolC-18	59.0 ± 9.6	43.3 ± 6.6	0.79 ± 0.12	1.7 ± 0.2*

* indicates significant differences between *rolC*-transgenic and wild-type lines according to the *t*-test ($P < 0.05$).

^z The numbers of ray and tubular florets were counted from a random sample of 10 inflorescences.

^y The length of each five of ray and tubular florets per inflorescence were measured.

^x Means ± SE (n = 10).



Fig. 4. Morphological differences between inflorescences of a wild-type and *rolC*-transformant.

The plant oncogene *roID* encodes a functional ornithine cyclodeaminase

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The plant oncogene *roID* stimulates the reproductive phase transition in plants. We define here the function of its gene product. We show that the RoID protein bears sequence homology with ornithine cyclodeaminase, an uncommon enzyme of specialized-niche eubacteria and archaea that catalyzes the unusual NAD-dependent conversion of ornithine to proline. To confirm the prediction of the bioinformatic analysis, the RoID protein was expressed in *Escherichia coli* and purified. An ornithine-dependent NAD Reduction that can be ascribed only to ornithine cyclodeaminase (OCD) activity was detected both in bacterial extracts containing RoID and in assays on the purified RoID protein. Furthermore, OCD activity was observed in soluble extracts from plants overexpressing *roID*. The role of *roID* in plant pathogenesis and its effect on plant reproductive development are discussed in light of the newly demonstrated enzymatic activity of its gene product.

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The Plant Oncogene *roID* Stimulates Flowering in Transgenic Tobacco Plants

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FIG. 1. A vegetative untransformed SR1 plant (left) and a flowering *roID* plant (right) at the stage of 10–11 internodes.

FIG. 3. A flowering untransformed SR1 plant (left) and a flowering *roID* plant after the development of sylleptic axillary inflorescences (right).



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Pleiotropic effect of the insertion of the *Agrobacterium rhizogenes* *rolD* gene in tomato (*Lycopersicon esculentum* Mill.)

Table 1 Student's *t*-test analysis for characters observed in the *rolD*-transgenic plants and the corresponding untransformed regenerated controls

Character	Groups	Mean ± SE	df	<i>t</i>	<i>P</i> -value
No. inflorescences/plant	rolD3	15.1 ± 1.8	21	0.6	n.s.
	Controls	14 ± 1			
	rolD4	17 ± 0.8	20	1.5	n.s.
	Controls	14 ± 1			
	rolD23	22.6 ± 2.5	20	3.7	< 0.01
	controls	14 ± 1			
	rolD3	40.5 ± 1.8	21	4.3	< 0.01
	Controls	23.6 ± 2.2			
	rolD4	37.6 ± 2.2	20	3.3	< 0.01
	Controls	23.6 ± 2.2			
	rolD23	37.6 ± 1.3	20	3.4	< 0.01
	Controls	23.6 ± 2.2			
Mean weight fruits/plant	rolD3	8.3 ± 0.3	21	2	n.s.
	Controls	9.2 ± 0.2			
	rolD4	10 ± 0.35	20	1.8	n.s.
	Controls	9.2 ± 0.2			
	rolD23	9.2 ± 0.7	20	0.012	n.s.
	Controls	9.2 ± 0.2			
Plant height (first inflorescence)	rolD3	16.5 ± 1.4	22	1.067	n.s.
	Controls	18 ± 0.6			
	rolD4	19.6 ± 2	21	0.9	n.s.
	Controls	18 ± 0.6			
	rolD23	21 ± 1.8	21	1.82	n.s.
	Controls	18 ± 0.6			
Plant height (first fruit)	rolD3	68 ± 4.4	21	1.6	n.s.
	Controls	59.5 ± 2.6			
	rolD4	66.2 ± 3.1	20	1.28	n.s.
	Controls	59.5 ± 2.6			
	rolD23	64.2 ± 0.6	20	0.9	n.s.
	Controls	59.5 ± 2.6			
No. days before flowering	rolD3	15.6 ± 0.8	22	3.5	< 0.01
	Controls	18.5 ± 0.4			
	rolD4	15.2 ± 0.9	21	3.8	< 0.01
	Controls	18.5 ± 0.4			
	rolD23	15.8 ± 0.7	21	3.3	< 0.01
	Controls	18.5 ± 0.4			

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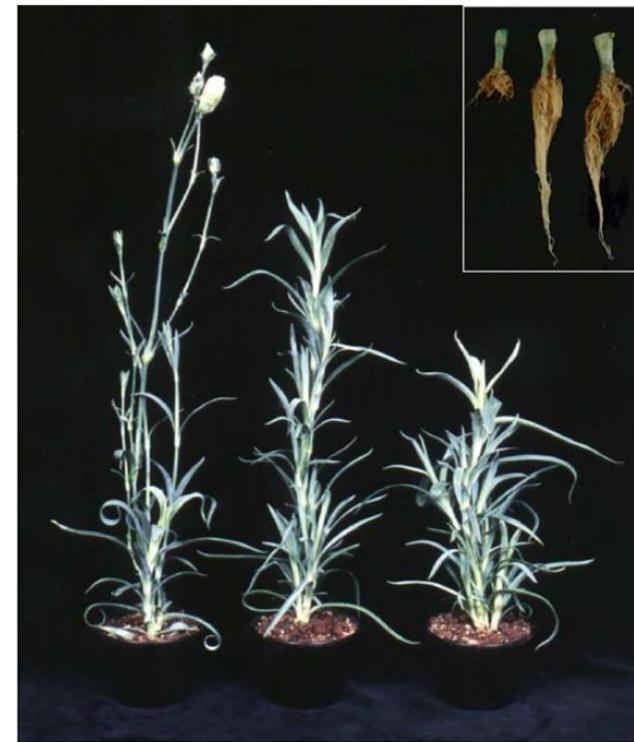


Fig. 2. Morphological alterations and root formation in *roLC*-transgenic carnation plants. Left, control (*uidA*-transgenic) carnations; middle and right, *roLC*-transgenic carnations.

REVIEW

Agrobacterium rhizogenes: recent developments and promising applications

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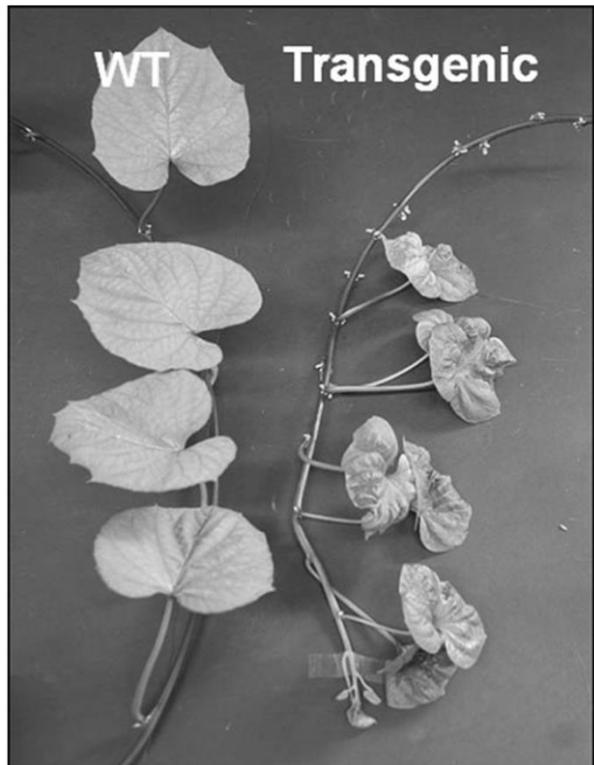
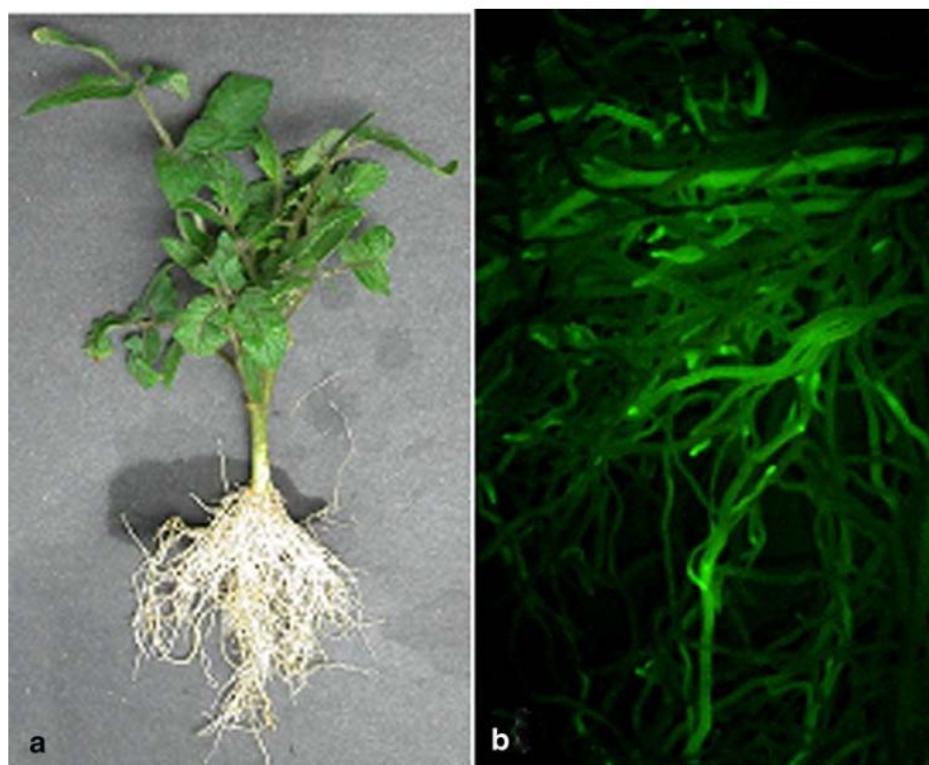


Figure 3. Hairy root phenotype of sweet potato stably transformed by *A. rhizogenes* and regenerated from transgenic roots. Note the short internode distances, curled leaves, and adventitious root buds at the nodes.

Figure 4. Composite tomato plants. (a) Transgenic roots produced on wild-type shoots of tomato after infection with *A. rhizogenes*. (b) Expression of GFP scorable marker in transgenic roots.



The Use of *Agrobacterium rhizogenes* and its *rol*-Genes for Quality Improvement in Ornamentals

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Table 3. Examples of phenotypical changes induced by *rolA*-gene in different plant species.

Plant species	Promoter	Phenotype	Reference
<i>Daucus carota</i> (Carrot)	Native	Increased number of shoots. Some plants converted from biennial to annual flowering	(LIMAMI et al. 1998)
<i>Lycopersicon esculentum</i> (Tomato)	Native	Small, dark-green, strongly wrinkled leaves, high ratio between dry weight and leaf area, long internodes, reduced flower bud length, hyperstrophy, reduced pollen production. Male sterility	(VAN ALTVORST et al. 1992)
<i>Malus x domestica</i> M26 (Apple rootstock)	Native	Reduced stem growth, leaf area and internode length, some transformants showed reduced leaf area, shoot dry weight and plant dry weight	(HOLEFORS et al. 1998)
<i>Nicotiana tabacum</i> (Tobacco)	Native	Wrinkled leaves, condensed flower inflorescence, increased stigma size, larger flowers	(SCHMULLING et al. 1988)
	Native	Severely stunted, extremely reduced internode length, altered leaf morphology, severe leaf wrinkling, low length-to-width ratio	(SINKAR et al. 1988a)
	Native	Wrinkled leaves, reduced internode length, deficient root growth	(CARNEIRO and VILAINE 1993)
	Native	Male sterility, abnormal flower morphology, wrinkled leaves and shortened internodes	(SUN et al. 1991a)
	35S	Wrinkled leaves, reduced leaf size, reduced number of flowers, altered flower morphology, short internodes, inhibited or delayed flowering, compact inflorescence, shorter flowers, female and male sterility	(MARTIN-TANGUY et al. 1993, 1996)
	35S	Stunted growth, dark green, wrinkled leaves, changed leaf length to width ratio, delayed flowering, reduced number of flowers, condenses inflorescence, reduced length of styles	(DEHO et al. 1993)
<i>Oryza sativa</i> (Rice)	35S	Dark, severely, wrinkled leaves, reduced number of branches	(LEE et al. 2001)

Table 4. Examples of phenotypical changes induced by *rolB*-gene in different plant species.

Plant species	Promoter	Phenotype	Reference
<i>Actinidia deliciosa</i> (Kiwi)	Native	Normal phenotype, increased rooting ability	(RUGINI et al. 1997)
<i>Lycopersicon esculentum</i> (Tomato)	Native	Wider and shorter leaves without leaf wrinkling, strong reduction of apical dominance, reduced number of flowers	(VAN ALTVORST et al. 1992)
<i>Malus x domestica</i> 'Florina' (Apple)	Native	Increased rooting ability and root fresh weight. No other change in phenotype	(RADCHUK and KORKHOVY 2005)
<i>Malus x domestica</i> M.9/29 (Apple rootstock)	Native	Increased <i>in vitro</i> rooting, reduced number of nodes, reduced stem length, same relative growth rate, root length and morphology as control plants	(ZHU et al. 2001b)
<i>Medicago sativa</i> (Alfalfa, lucerne)	Native	Delayed flowering, increased stem number, increased root and shoot dry weight	(FRUGIS et al. 1995)
<i>Nicotiana tabacum</i> (Tobacco)	Native	Altered leaf morphology, increased stigma, increased flower size, abnormal flowers, adventitious roots on stems, slightly reduced pollen production	(SCHMULLING et al. 1988)
	Native	Wrinkled, dark-green leaves, excessive, partially non-geotropic roots	(CARDARELLI et al. 1987)
35S		Necrotic leaves, rounded leaf edge, heterostyly	(SCHMULLING et al. 1988)

Table 5. Examples of phenotypical changes induced by *rolC*-gene in different plant species.

Plant species	Promoter	Phenotype	Reference
<i>Atropa belladonna</i> (Deadly nightshade)	35S	Reduced apical dominance, pale and lanceolated leaves, smaller flowers, increased flowering	(KURIOKA et al. 1992)
	Native	Normal phenotype	(KURIOKA et al. 1992)
<i>Cichorium intybus</i> (Belgian Endive)	Native	Conversion from biennial to annual flowering	(KAMADA et al. 1992)
<i>Chrysanthemum morifolium</i> (Chrysanthemum)	Native	Reduced plant height and internode length, increased number of shoots	(KUBO et al. 2006)
<i>Dianthus caryophyllus</i> (Carnation)	35S	Reduced apical dominance, increased number of lateral shoots, flowering and rooting ability	(ZUKER et al. 2001)
<i>Diospyros kaki</i> (Japanese persimmon)	35S	Reduced plant height and internode length and leaf size, increased number of lateral shoots	(KOSHITA et al. 2002)
<i>Nicotiana tabacum</i> (Tobacco)	Native	Altered leaf morphology, increased branching, reduced flower size, pollen production and size of seed capsules	(SCHMULLING et al. 1988)
	Native	Reduced plant height, internode length and leaf size, earlier flowering, reduced flower size, pollen viability, size of seed capsules and number of seeds	(SCORZA et al. 1994)
	Native	Reduced plant height, apical dominance, and flower size	(ONO et al. 1987)
	35S	Dwarf and bushy due to decreased internode length, increased number of shoots and leaves, small lanceolated leaves, reduced female fertility, male sterility	(SCHMULLING et al. 1988)
	35S	Reduced apical dominance and internode length, increased number of nodes, light green, lanceolate leaves, reduced flower size, male sterility	(NILSSON et al. 1993)
	35S	Reduced height and flower size, altered leaf shape, slightly increased petiole length, male sterile	(MARTIN-TANGUY et al. 1993)
	35S	Reduced plant height, lanceolated leaves, earlier flowering, reduced fertility	(FAISS et al. 1996)
<i>Osteospermum ecklonis</i> (African daisy)	35S	Pale green leaves, erect plant habit, earlier flowering, increased number of flowers	(GIOVANNINI et al. 1999)
<i>Pelargonium x domesticum</i> (Regal pelargonium)	35S	Reduced plant height, leaf area and flower diameter, earlier flowering	(BOASE et al. 2004)

Table 6. Examples of phenotypical changes induced by *rolD*-gene in different plant species.

Plant species	Promoter	Phenotype	Reference
<i>Daucus carota</i> (Carrot)	Native	Severely dwarfed, wrinkled leaves, curved petioles	(LIMAMI et al. 1998)
<i>Lycopersicon esculentum</i> (Tomato)	Native	Early flowering, increased number of inflorescences, higher fruit yield, perfect normal fruits and fertile seeds.	(BETTINI et al. 2003)
<i>Nicotiana tabacum</i> (Tobacco)	Native	Early flowering, increased number of inflorescences	(MAURO et al. 1996)
	Native/35S	Normal phenotype	(LEMCKE and SCHMULLING 1998)

Chapter 1

Agrobacterium rhizogenes-Mediated Transformation and Its Biotechnological Applications in Crops

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Table 1.1 Oncogenes of *A. rhizogenes*, their encoded proteins, functions and phenotypic changes in host plants

Gene	Protein	Function	Phenotype
<i>rolA</i>	Sequence motif common in DNA-binding proteins Regulatory transcription factor	Inhibits cell elongation via diffusible factor Decreases hormone concentrations Increase sensitivity to auxin Modulating hormone physiology of GA Interfere polyamine metabolism Correlate with plasma membrane H ⁺ ATPase activity	Stunted growth, dark green wrinkled leaves with an altered length to width ratio, condensed inflorescences, retarded onset of flowering, compact reduced number of flowers
<i>rolB</i>	Localizes to plasma membrane	Alterations in the reception/transduction of the auxin signal Stimulates new meristem formation	Fast growth, root meristem neoformation, high branching and plagiotropism
<i>rolC</i>	Phloem-specific expression in the root, low expression in the leaf, and no expression in the shoot tip	Induce secondary metabolism Reduces cell size Reduces abscisic acid (ABA), polyamine, and ethylene levels Formation of shoot meristems Regulate sugar metabolism and transport Stimulate the production of high levels of secondary metabolites	Increased branching, dwarfed plants with short internodes, reduced epidermal cell size in internodes, lanceolate leaves, early flowering, reduced flower size and reduced pollen production
<i>rolD</i>	Only expresses in Agropine type strains Cytosolic protein Exhibits poor tissue- or organ-specific expression	Incapable of inducing root formation on its own Provide defense response as a result of environmental stress	Increased flowering, reduced rooting, elongating and expanding tissues of each organ but not on apical meristem, callus growth giving rise to initiation of tumor resemble formation

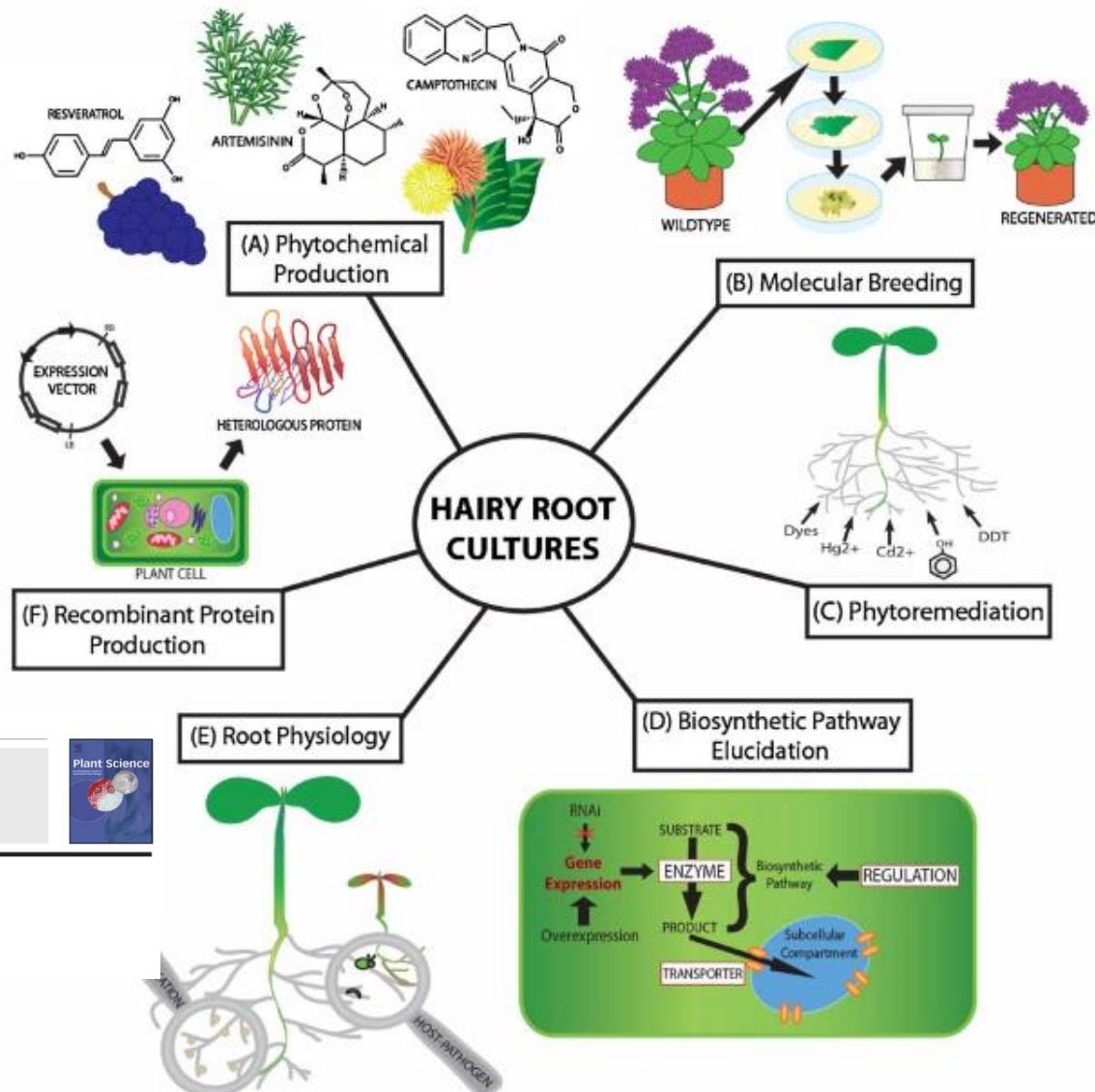
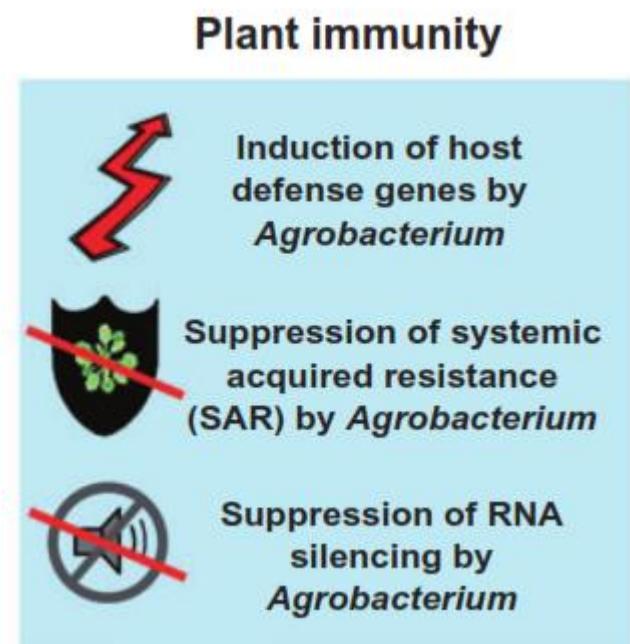


Fig. 1. The diverse and abundant uses of hairy root cultures. (A) Phytochemical production in hairy roots is a major topic of study that spans several classes of phytochemicals, including alkaloids, terpenoids, and phenolics. (B) Molecular breeding by infection of ornamental plants with *Agrobacterium rhizogenes* and regeneration of whole plants from hairy roots yields plants with desirable phenotypes, such as compact size, for horticultural purposes. (C) Hairy root culture has been used as a model system for studying Phytoremediation of toxic substances and reactive dyes. (D) Molecular, biochemical and genetic studies in hairy roots have accelerated Biosynthetic pathway elucidation for phytochemicals, which, in turn, facilitates metabolic engineering in hairy root cultures. (E) Root physiology studies ranging from nitrogen fixation, iron-deficiency, aluminum toxicity, to host-pathogen interactions have been conducted in hairy root cultures. (F) Recombinant protein production in this system has been explored as a rapid, contained, low-cost, genetically stable means of producing human antibodies, cytokines, and other protein therapeutics.

RECALCITRANCIA A LA TRANSFORMACIÓN GENÉTICA VÍA AGROBACTERIUM?

Genotipos y sus metabolitos
AIA
Ácido salicílico
Etileno
Mutantes rats



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PAMPS = Pathogen Associates Molecular Patterns

PTI = PAMP Triggered Immunity

ETS = Effector-Triggered Susceptibility

ETI = Effector-Triggered Immunity)

PRRs = Pattern Recognition Receptors

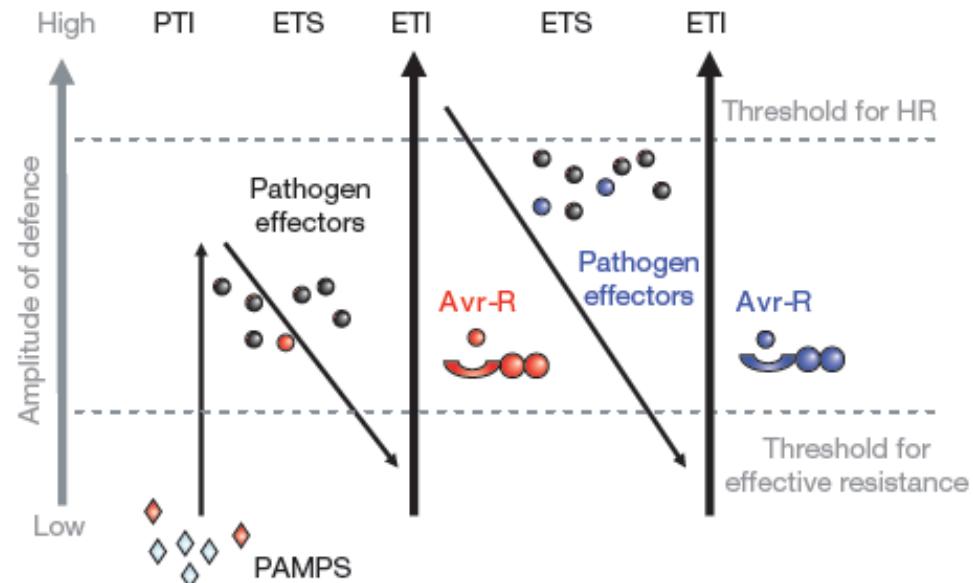


Figure 1 | A zigzag model illustrates the quantitative output of the plant immune system. In this scheme, the ultimate amplitude of disease resistance or susceptibility is proportional to $[PTI - ETS + ETI]$. In phase 1, plants detect microbial/pathogen-associated molecular patterns (MAMPs/PAMPs, red diamonds) via PRRs to trigger PAMP-triggered immunity (PTI). In phase 2, successful pathogens deliver effectors that interfere with PTI, or otherwise enable pathogen nutrition and dispersal, resulting in effector-triggered susceptibility (ETS). In phase 3, one effector (indicated in red) is recognized by an NB-LRR protein, activating effector-triggered immunity (ETI), an amplified version of PTI that often passes a threshold for induction of hypersensitive cell death (HR). In phase 4, pathogen isolates are selected that have lost the red effector, and perhaps gained new effectors through horizontal gene flow (in blue)—these can help pathogens to suppress ETI. Selection favours new plant NB-LRR alleles that can recognize one of the newly acquired effectors, resulting again in ETI.

Arroz	Hiei et al. 1994; 1997 Kant et al. 2007 Toki et al. 1997
Cebada	Tingay et al. 1997 Shrawat et al 2007
Trigo	Cheng et al. 1997
Sorgo	Zhao et al. 2000 Carlos et al. 2004 Carvalho et al. 2004
Maíz	Ishida et al. 1996

DEPENDIENTE DEL GENOTIPO

Arroz (40 genotipos de Japonica, Indica y Javonica)
Cebada (cv . Golden Promise y Ingrid)

Trigo (cv. Bobwhite)

Maíz (cv. A188 o sus híbridos)

Caña de azúcar (cv . Ja 60-5)

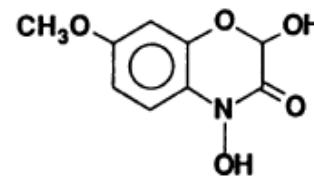
LA DIFERENCIA EN LA SUSCEPTIBILIDAD DE LOS GENOTIPOS A LA TRANSFORMACIÓN

1. Presencia de un sistema de inhibición de la maquinaria de *Agrobacterium*
DIMBOA

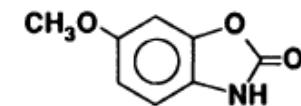
Homogenados de plántulas de maíz.

Inhibían el **crecimiento y virulencia**

Agrobacterium tumefaciens. Y era causado por el 2,4-dihidroxi-7-metoxi-2H-1,4-benzoxazinona



1: DIMBOA



2: MBOA

FIG. 1. Structure of DIMBOA and MBOA.

DIMBOA a 0.5 mM bloquea completamente el crecimiento de *Agrobacterium*. El maíz contienen entre 1-20 mM de DIMBOA, dependiendo de la variedad, localización y estado de desarrollo.

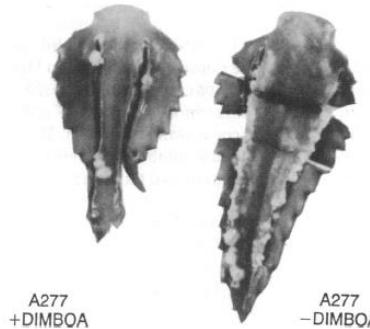


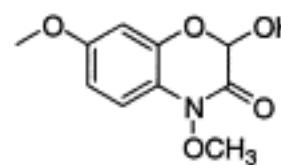
FIG. 7. *Kalanchoe* leaves inoculated with *A. tumefaciens* A277 in the presence of 25 μ l of 0.5 mM DIMBOA.

Sahi S.V., Chilton M.D. and W.S. 1990. Corn metabolites affect growth and virulence of *Agrobacterium tumefaciens*. PNAS. 87: 3879-3883,

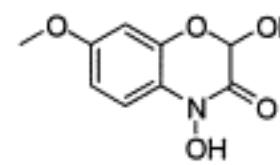
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MDIBOA (2-hidroxi-4,7-dimetoxibenzoxazinona)

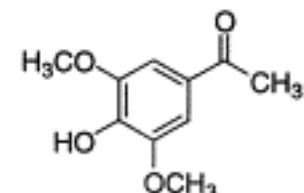
Es una molécula similar a DIMBOA y se encuentra presente a alta concentraciones (98%) en los exudados de plántulas de maíz. Es un inhibidor más potente de la **virulencia** de *Agrobacterium* y **un efecto más limitado en su crecimiento.**



MDIBOA



DIMBOA



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Inhibidor de la cinasa de histidina (histidine kinase)

Zhang et al. 2000. At the maize/*Agrobacterium* interface: natural factors limiting host transformation. Chemistry & Biology. 7: 611-621

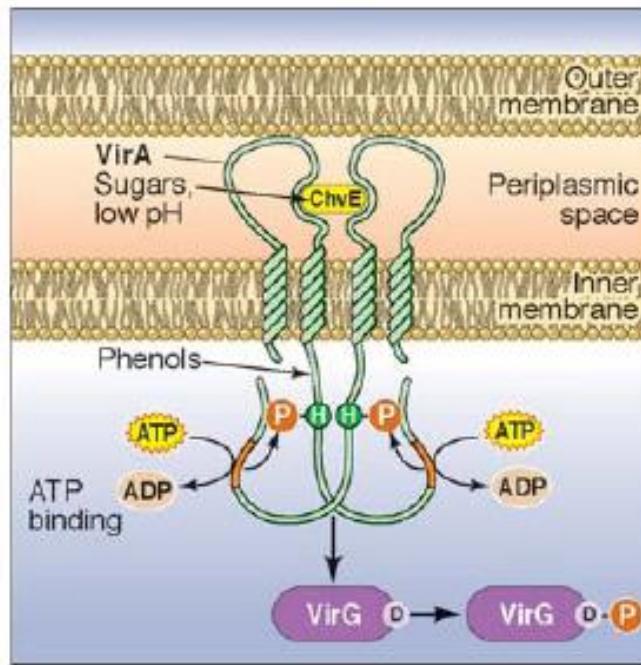
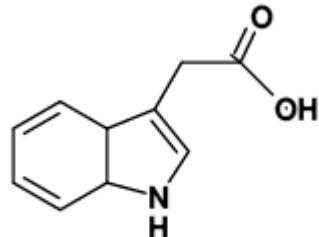


Figure 2

The ChvE/VirA/VirG signal transducing system
(note that stoichiometry of ChvE:VirA is not
known). See text for details.

McCullen C.A. and Binns A.N. 2006. *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* and Plant Cell Interactions and Activities Required for Interkingdom Macromolecular Transfer. *Annu. Rev. Cell. Dev. Biol.* 22: 101-127



Indole-3-Acetic Acid

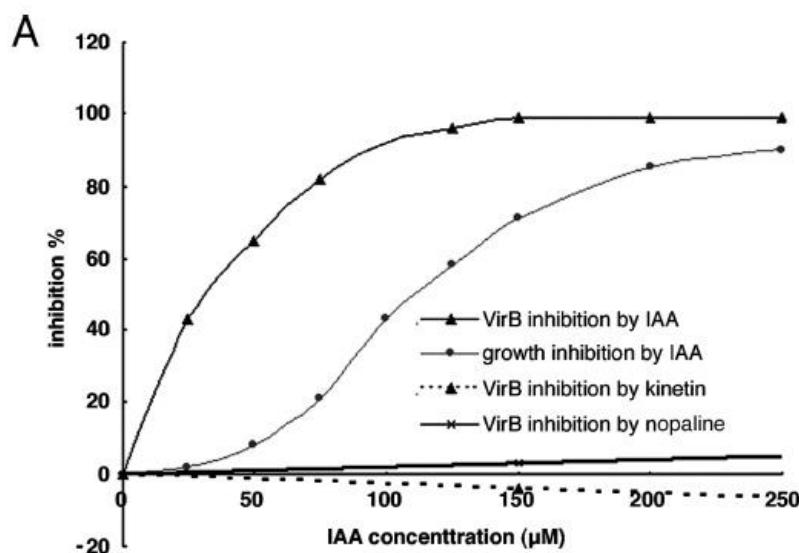


Fig. 1. The effect of IAA on *vir* gene expression and growth of *A. tumefaciens*.

- (A) Effect of IAA, kinetin, and nopaline on *virB* gene expression.
(B) Only one concentration of kinetin and nopaline was used.

AIA reprime la expresión de los genes *vir* por competir con la acetosiringona en su interacción con VirA



Acetosyringone

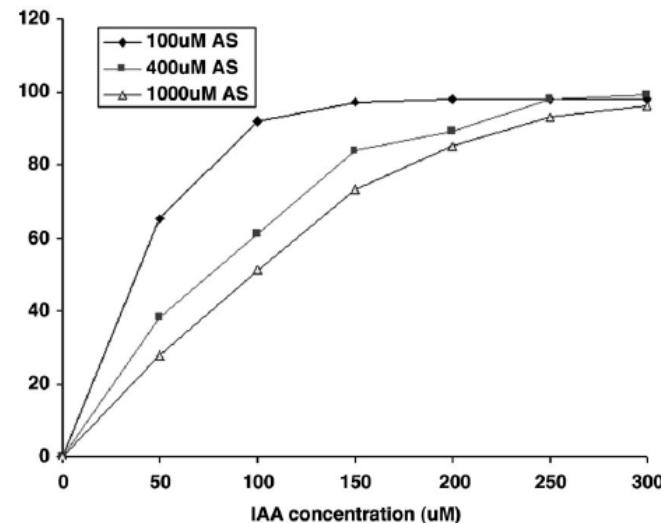
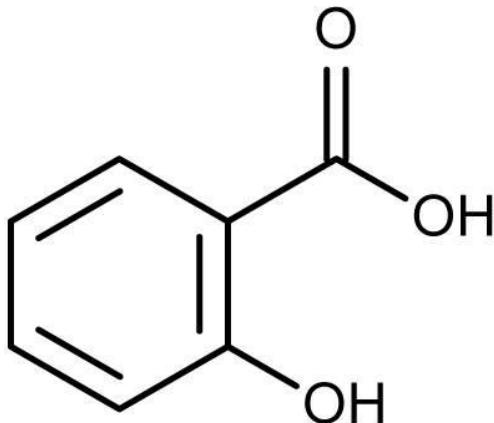


Fig. 3. Competition between IAA and AS.

Liu P. and Nester E.W. 2006. Indoleacetic acid, a product of transferred DNA, inhibits *vir* gene expression and growth of *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* C58. PNAS.103(12): 4658–4662



ACIDO SALICÍLICO (SA)

La evidencia sugiere que SA atenúa la función del dominio cinasa de VirA

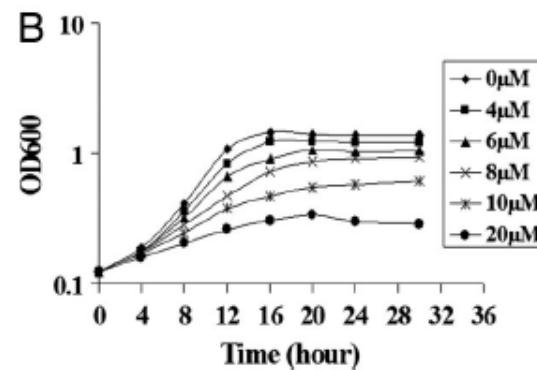
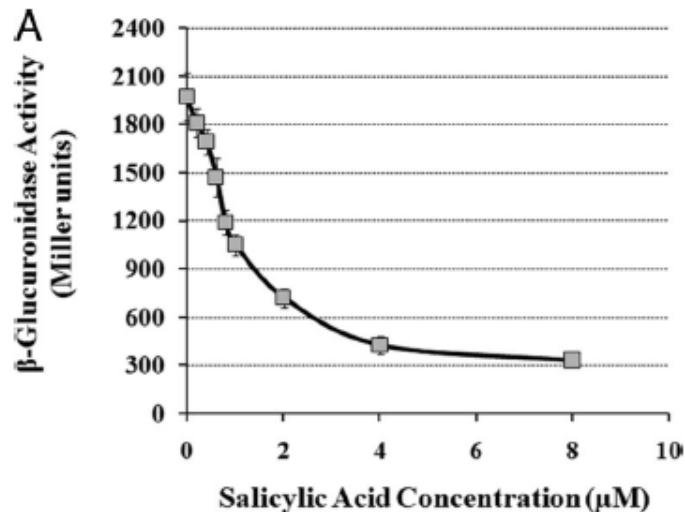


Fig. 1. SA inhibits *vir* gene induction and, at higher concentrations, bacterial growth. (A) Effect of SA on *Agrobacterium* *vir* gene expression. Expression of a plasmid-borne *virB1::gusA* transcriptional gene fusion in *Agrobacterium* C58 grown in induction medium with acetosyringone (100 μM), carbenicillin (100 $\mu\text{g/ml}$), and various concentrations of SA (0–8 μM) is shown. After 16 h, β -glucuronidase activity was measured as described in *Materials and Methods*. (B) Effect of SA on *Agrobacterium* growth. *Agrobacterium* growth under various concentrations of SA (0–20 μM) is shown. Cells were grown in acidified AB minimal medium (pH 5.5) supplied with various concentrations of SA. Readings at A_{600} (OD₆₀₀) are the mean of three independent experiments.

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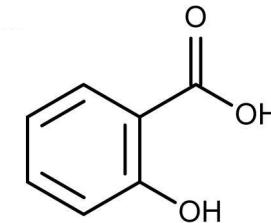
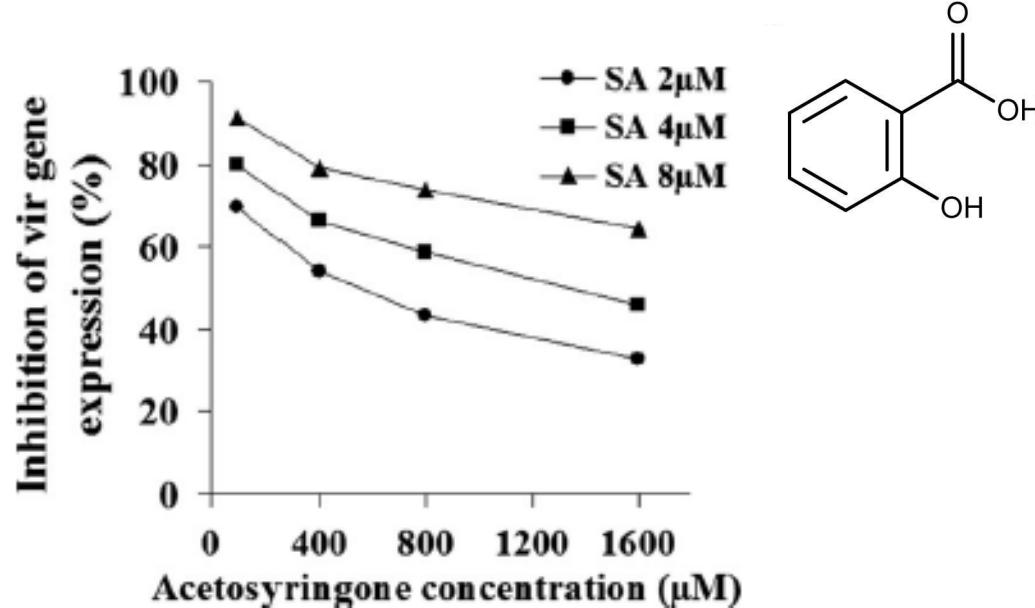
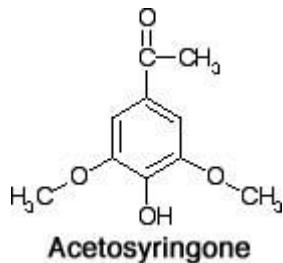


Fig. 4. Increasing acetosyringone attenuates the inhibition of *vir* gene expression by SA. Acetosyringone dose-response curves were obtained for cells grown in the absence or presence of the indicated concentrations of SA for 24 h, and the percentage inhibition in *virB1::gusA* expression was calculated. The data represent the averages of three independent determinations.

Mutantes de *Arabidopsis* defectuosas en la acumulación de SA son más susceptibles a la infección por *Agrobacterium*, mientras que las sobreproductoras de SA son más resistentes

Lo mismo ocurre con mutantes de *Nicotiana benthamiana* (Anand et al. 2008)

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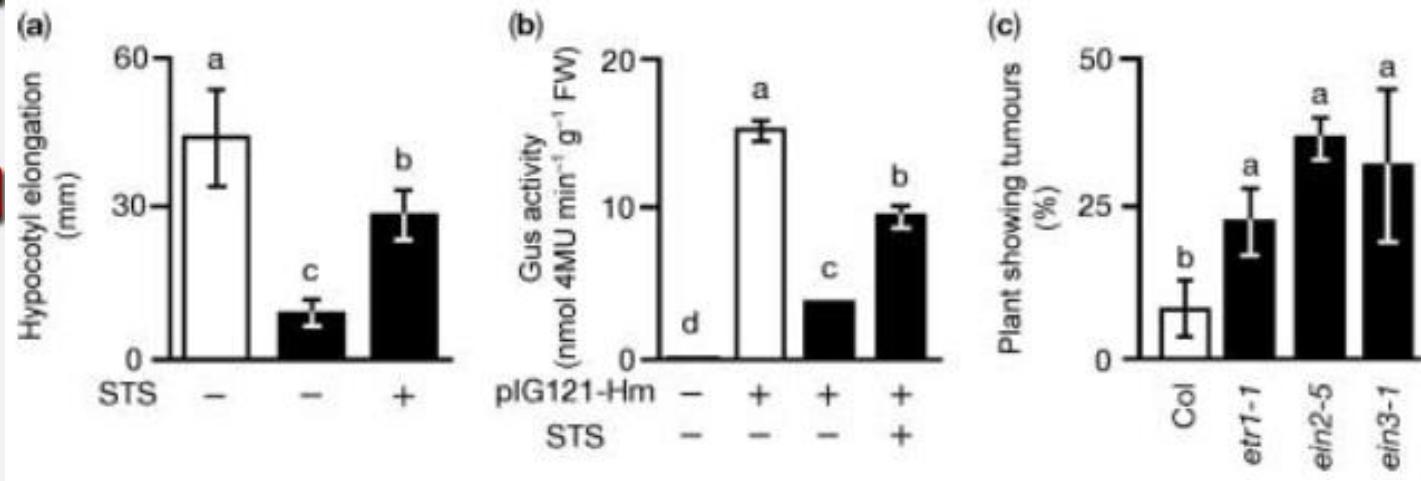
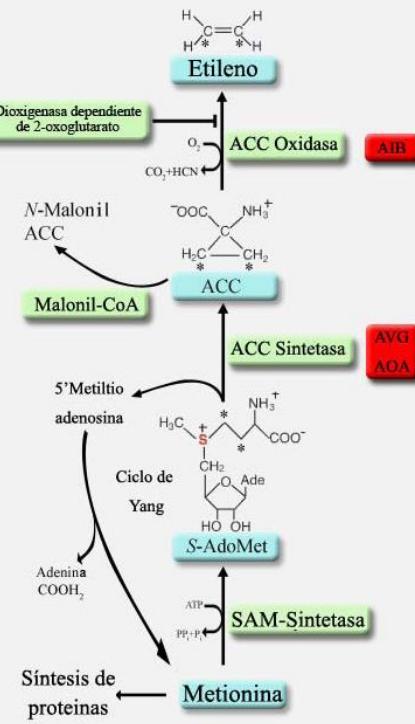


Fig. 1 Effect of the ethylene response on T-DNA transfer in melon (*Cucumis melo*) cotyledon segments and the ethylene response in *Arabidopsis* mutants. (a) Hypocotyl lengths of the melon seedlings. Seedlings grown under light on medium with (+) or without (-) 100 μ M silver thiosulfate (STS) were measured. The open and closed columns represent the absence and presence of 1-aminocyclopropane-1-carboxylic acid (ACC) in the medium, respectively. Bars indicate SD ($n = 30$). **(b)** Occurrence of T-DNA transfer in segments of seedling cotyledons. The occurrence of T-DNA transfer was indicated by β -glucuronidase (GUS) activity in the segments. Bars indicate SD ($n = 3$). The open and closed columns represent the absence and presence of ACC, respectively. ACC was added to the germination and co-cultivation media. STS was applied only to the germination medium. *Agrobacterium* cells without (-) or carrying (+) the plasmid piG121-Hm. Bacterial cell suspensions were prepared at 10^8 cells ml⁻¹ for inoculation. Bars indicate SD ($n = 3$). The letters indicate statistical significance at the 5% confidence level based on Student's t-test. **(c)** Frequency of tumour formation in ethylene-insensitive *Arabidopsis* mutants. Each value is the average of three independent experiments. The letters represent statistically significant differences based on chi-square testing ($P < 0.05$).

Resistant to Agrobacterium Transformation

Identification of *Arabidopsis rat* Mutants

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Table I. *rat* mutants

* Mutant complemented with wild-type gene; **, attempted complementation failed; ***, kanamycin (kan) resistance does not cosegregate with rat phenotype; +, mutant scores less than 25% of wild-type; ++, mutant scores less than 33% of wild-type; +++, mutant scores less than 50% of wild-type; +++, mutant scores more than 50% of wild-type but still a rat mutant; +++, mutant scores at the level of wild-type for transient GUS activity; N/A, not applicable.

Mutant	Identification ^a	Collection	Tumorigenesis	Phosphinothricin (ppt) Resistance	Transient GUS	Zygosity	Resistance Marker	Gene Affected	Insertion Site
<i>rat1*</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+	+	homo	kan	Arabinogalactan protein	5'-Untranslated region (UTR)
<i>rat3*</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+	+++	homo	kan	Likely cell wall protein	Intergenic
<i>rat4*</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+	+	homo	kan	Cellulose synthase-like protein (CslA-09)	3'-UTR
<i>rat5*</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+	++++	homo	kan	Histone H2A-1	3'-UTR
<i>rat6</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+	+		kan		
<i>rat7</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+	+		kan		
<i>rat8</i>	F	Feldmann	+++	+++	++		kan		
<i>rat9</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+	+		kan		
<i>rat10</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+	++		kan		
<i>rat11</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+	++		kan		
<i>rat12</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+	+		kan		
<i>rat13</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+	+		kan		
<i>rat14</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+	++		kan	Unknown protein	3'-UTR
<i>rat15</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+	+		kan		
<i>rat16</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+++	++		kan		
<i>rat17***</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+	++++		kan	Myb transcription factor (<i>cpc</i>)	3'-UTR
<i>rat18</i>	F	Feldmann	+	++	++++		kan		
<i>rat19</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+	+		kan		Intergenic
<i>rat20</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+++	++++		kan		
<i>rat21</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+	+++		kan		
<i>rat22</i>	F	Feldmann	+	++	++++		kan	Unknown protein	Intergenic
<i>rat A1</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+		homo	kan		
<i>rat A2*</i>	F, R	Feldmann	+	+	+	homo	kan	phosphatase 2A (<i>rct1</i>)	Sixth exon
<i>rat A3</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+		homo	kan		
<i>rat A4</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+++		homo	kan	Kinesin protein	First intron
<i>rat A5</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+++		homo	kan	Unknown protein	
<i>rat A6</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+		homo	kan		
<i>rat J1*</i>	F	Feldmann	+	++	+	homo	kan	Importin β -3	18th intron
<i>rat J2</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+			kan	MADS box protein	Fifth intron
<i>rat J3</i>	F	Feldmann	+				kan		
<i>rat J4</i>	F	Feldmann	+	++			kan		
<i>rat J5</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+			kan		
<i>rat J6</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+			kan	3-Isopropylmalate dehydrogenase	Sixth exon
<i>rat J7</i>	F	Feldmann	+	+		homo	kan	DEAD box RNA helicase	Third intron

Table II. Steps of the transformation process putatively disrupted in selected *Arabidopsis rat* mutants

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Mutant	Tumorigenesis	Transient GUS	Gene Affected
Bacterial attachment/T-DNA transfer			
<i>rat1</i> *	+	+	Arabinogalactan protein
<i>rat3</i> *	+	+++	Likely cell wall protein
<i>rat4</i> *	+	+	AtCslA-09
<i>ratT18</i>	+	ND	β -Expansin
Antisense <i>rat4</i>	++	ND	AtCslA-09
Antisense F9	++	+	Unknown protein
Antisense F8	+	+	Unknown protein
Antisense RAB8	+	+++	AtRAB8
RNAi BT11	+	+	Unknown protein
RNAi BT12	+	+	Unknown protein
RNAi BT13	+	+	Unknown protein
RNAi AtRAB8	+	+	AtRAB8
Cytoplasmic trafficking/cytoskeleton			
<i>act2-1</i>	+	++	Actin-2
<i>act7-4</i> *	+	+++	Actin-7
<i>act7-1</i> *	+	+++	Actin-7
<i>rat A4</i>	+	ND	Kinesin protein
Nuclear targeting			
<i>ratJ1</i> *	+	+	Importin β -3
Importin α -7*	+	+++	Importin α -7
Antisense importin α -1	++/+++	++/+++	Importin α -1
T-DNA integration/chromatin structure and remodeling			
<i>rat5</i> *	+	++++	Histone H2A-1
<i>HTA2</i>	++	ND	Histone H2A-2
<i>HTA3</i>	+	ND	Histone H2A-3
<i>HTA10</i>	++++	+++++	Histone H2A-10
<i>HTA11</i>	+	ND	Histone H2A-11
<i>HTA13</i>	++++	+++++	Histone H2A-13
<i>HTB5</i>	++	ND	Histone H2B-5
<i>HTB6</i>	++	+++++	Histone H2B-6
<i>HTR4/5</i>	+++	ND	Histone H3-4/5
<i>HFO3</i>	+	ND	Histone H4-3
<i>HFO4</i>	+	+++++	Histone H4-4
<i>HDA1</i>	+	+++++	Histone deacetylase-1
<i>HDA2</i>	++++	+++++	Histone deacetylase-2
<i>HDA6</i>	+++	ND	Histone deacetylase-6
<i>HDA9</i>	++++	ND	Histone deacetylase-9
<i>HAT6</i>	+	+++	Histone acetyl transferase-6
<i>HAC11</i>	++	+	Histone acetyl transferase-11
<i>HXA1</i>	+++	+	Histone acetylase complex HXA1
<i>HXA2</i>	+	++++	Histone acetylase complex HXA2
RNAi CHA6	++++	ND	Chromatin-remodeling complex subunit 6
RNAi HAC 8-1	+	ND	Histone acetyl transferase-8
RNAi NFA2-1	+++	ND	Nucleosome assembly factor A
RNAi SGA1	+	ND	Chromatin-silencing group 1

Table 1 Plant proteins and subcellular structures important for *Agrobacterium*-mediated transformation

Transformation process	Plant protein/structure involved	Reference
Bacterial attachment/biofilm formation	Arabinogalactan protein AtAGP17	44, 129
	Cellulose synthase-like CslA-09	128, 129
	Cellulose synthase-like CslB-05	N Sardesai & SB Gelvin, unpublished data
	Plant defense reaction proteins	5, 44, Veena & SB Gelvin, unpublished data
T-DNA and virulence protein transfer	Reticulon domain proteins BTI1 (AtRTNLB1), BTI2 (AtRTNLB2), and BTI3 (AtRTNLB4)	54, 129
	Rab8 GTPase	54, 129
Cytoplasmic trafficking	Microtubules ^b /kinesin	91, 129
	Actin and Myosin	129, P Rao, Y Yu, L-Y Lee, SB Gelvin, unpublished data
	Cyclophilin ^a	28
Nuclear targeting	Importin α	10, 11, 12, 65, 129
	Importin β /Transportin	129
	CAK2Ms kinase	10
	Protein phosphatase 2C (PP2C)	101
	VIP1	32, 50, 62, 66, 108
	Caspase ^a	16, 88
	GALLS interacting protein (GIP ^a)	Y Wang, L-Y Lee, L Hodges, W Ream, SB Gelvin, unpublished data
Targeting T-DNA to chromatin	CAK2Ms ^a	10
	VIP1	61, 66, 69
Vir protein removal/T-DNA and protein stability	Ask/Skp proteins	95, 109, 125, 129
	Caspase	16, 88
	Histones	102
	pCsn5-1 ^a	43
T-DNA integration	DNA ligase IV ^a	40, 112, 113, 114, 129, 130
	Ku70, Rad50, Mre11, Xrs2, Sir4 ^b	112
	Ku80 ^a	40, 42, 67
	VIP1	66
	VIP2	4
	Histones	6, 78, 80, 122, 123, 129
	Nucleosome assembly CAF-1	37
	Histone H3 chaperone SGA1	22, 129, G Tenea & SB Gelvin, unpublished data
Transgene expression	Histone deacetylases	22, 129
	Histones H2A, H3-11, and H4	102
Susceptibility to transformation	Myb transcription factor	N Sardesai, H Chen, J Spanzel, B Yadav, SB Gelvin, unpublished data

^aRole in this transformation step is likely but not yet proven, or the literature indicates conflicting results.^bShown in a *Xenopus* in vitro system only.^cImportant for *Agrobacterium*-mediated transformation of yeast, but not yet shown in plants.

Table 2 Plant proteins whose overexpression increases *Agrobacterium*-mediated plant transformation

Protein	Likely role in transformation	Reference
BTI1 (AtRTNLB1)	T-DNA and virulence protein transfer	54
VIP1	Nuclear targeting	32, 109
Ku80	T-DNA integration	67
Histones H2A, H3-11, and H4	T-DNA stability, transgene expression	78, 102, 123, 127
SGA1 (ASF1)	T-DNA integration	G Tenea & SB Gelvin, unpublished data
UDP-glucosyltransferase	Defense response	N Sardesai & SB Gelvin, unpublished data
GALLS interacting protein (GIP)	Nuclear targeting ^a	Y Wang, L-Y Lee, L Hodges, W Ream, SB Gelvin, unpublished data

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Recent Advances in the Understanding of *Agrobacterium rhizogenes*-Derived Genes and Their Effects on Stress Resistance and Plant Metabolism

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1. Funciones nuevas de los genes *rolB* y *rolC* en células vegetales

1.1. Homeostasis de ROS y expresión de genes antioxidantes

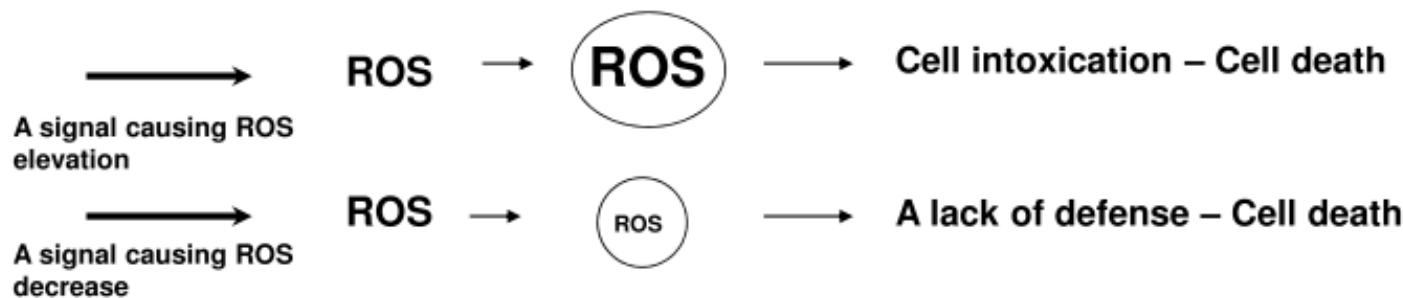
Table 1 Individual and combined expression of the *rol* genes in suspension-cultivated *R. cordifolia* cells decreases ROS levels

Intracellular ROS level	Nontransformed control	<i>rolA</i>	<i>rolB</i>	<i>rolC</i>	<i>rolABC</i>	<i>pRiA4</i>
Steady-state conditions	100 ± 3	93 ± 3 ^a	78 ± 4 [14]	56 ± 6 [11]	90 ± 3 [55]	80 ± 4 [55]
ROS-inducing treatment	160 ± 4 [11, 14]	109 ± 5 ^a	96 ± 5 [14]	74 ± 5 [11]	101 ± 4 ^a	113 ± 4 ^a

The data are presented as percentage concentrations of intracellular ROS. The basic level of ROS in control nonstressed cells has been accepted for 100 %. The 5-day-old cell suspension cultures were loaded with H₂DCF-DA and analyzed by confocal microscopy as described previously [11]. In the ROS-inducing treatment, *R. cordifolia* cells were grown for 4 days in the dark and treated with paraquat (Aldrich, 10 µM, final conc.) for 1 h under continuous light exposure (200 µmol m⁻² s⁻¹ radiation). The data were obtained in three independent experiments and presented as mean ± SE

^a Our unpublished results

Normal cells



Transformed cells

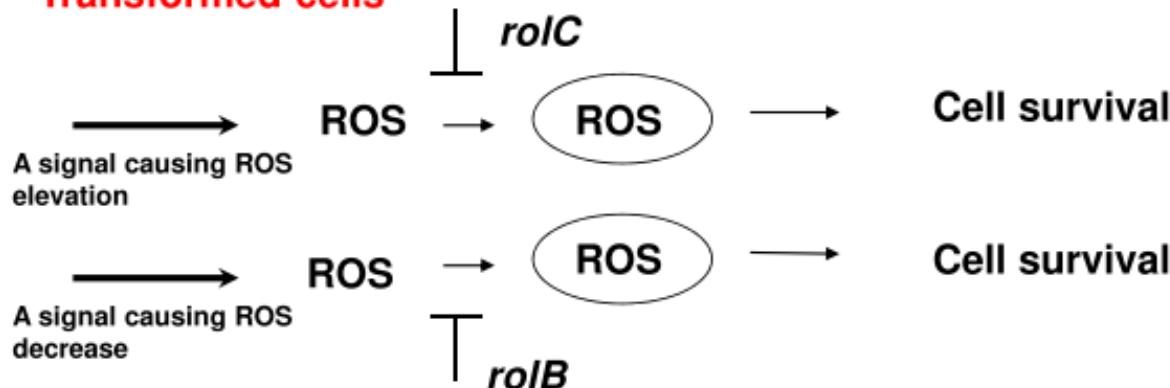
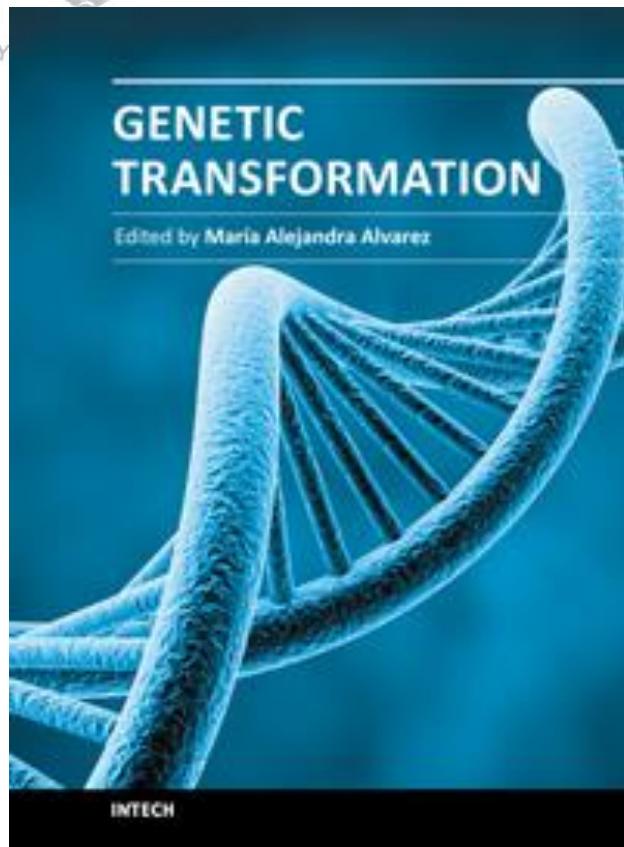


Fig. 2. A scheme illustrating the possible role of *rol* genes in cell survival. The *rolC* and *rolB* genes mitigate ROS changes caused by environmental stimuli. The signals causing acute ROS elevations are high temperature, cold, high salt conditions, excessive light and others. Signals causing decreased intracellular ROS levels are provoked by many pathogens.



Application of Agrobacterium *Rol* Genes in Plant Biotechnology: A Natural Phenomenon of Secondary Metabolism Regulation

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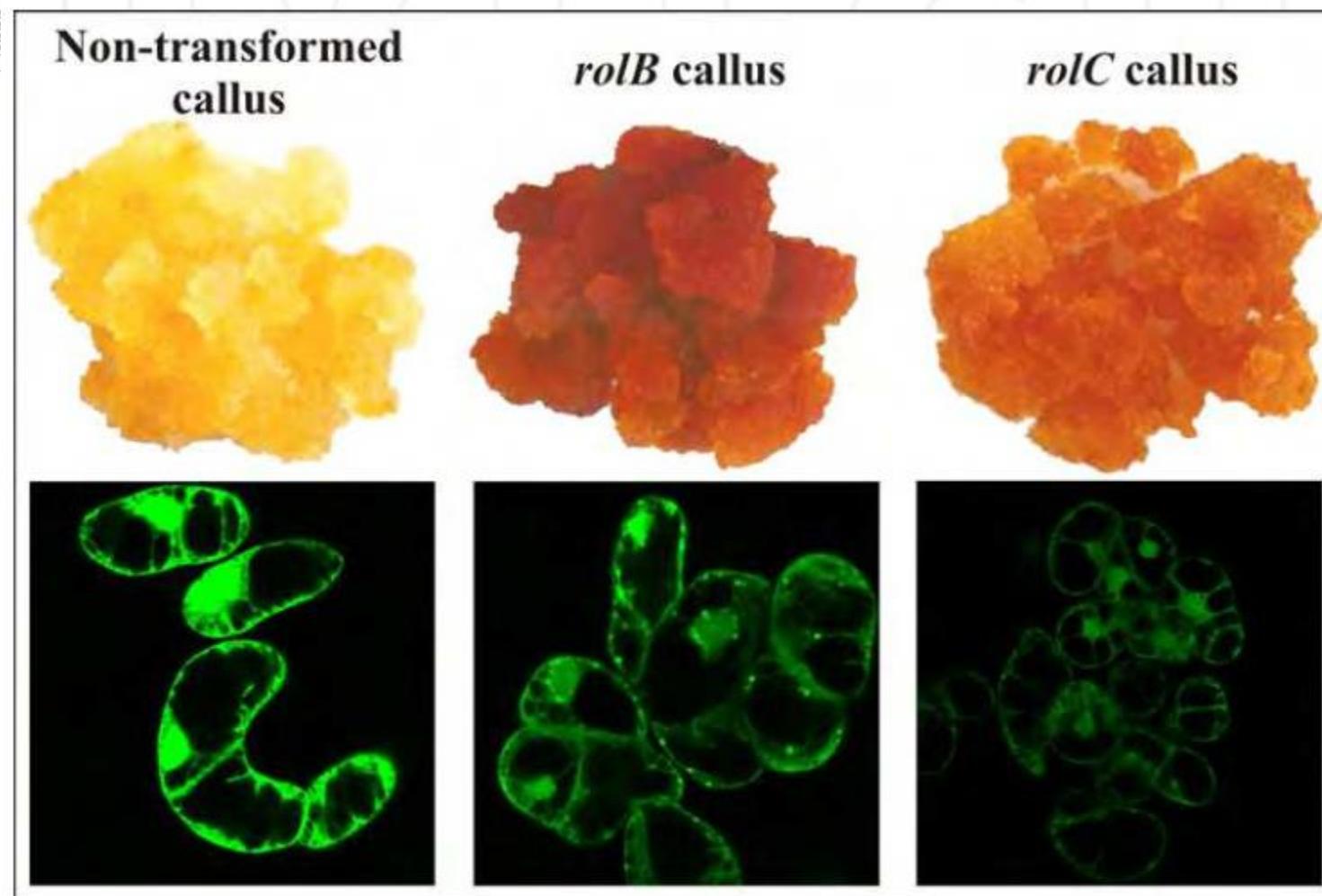


Fig. 1. Relation between secondary metabolism and intracellular ROS level in *R. cordifolia* cells. The upper panel presents phenotypes of *R. cordifolia* calli transformed with the *rol* genes. The *rolB*-calli and *rolC*-calli contained ten times and six times more anthraquinones, respectively, compared to the non-transformed calli. At the same time, ROS levels in cells of these transformed calli were low (see the bottom panel). Green fluorescence inside cells reflects summarized ROS (such as hydrogen peroxide, peroxy radicals and peroxy nitrite) levels measured by laser-scanning confocal microscopy and visualized by dichlorofluorescein diacetate.

1.2. Apoptosis

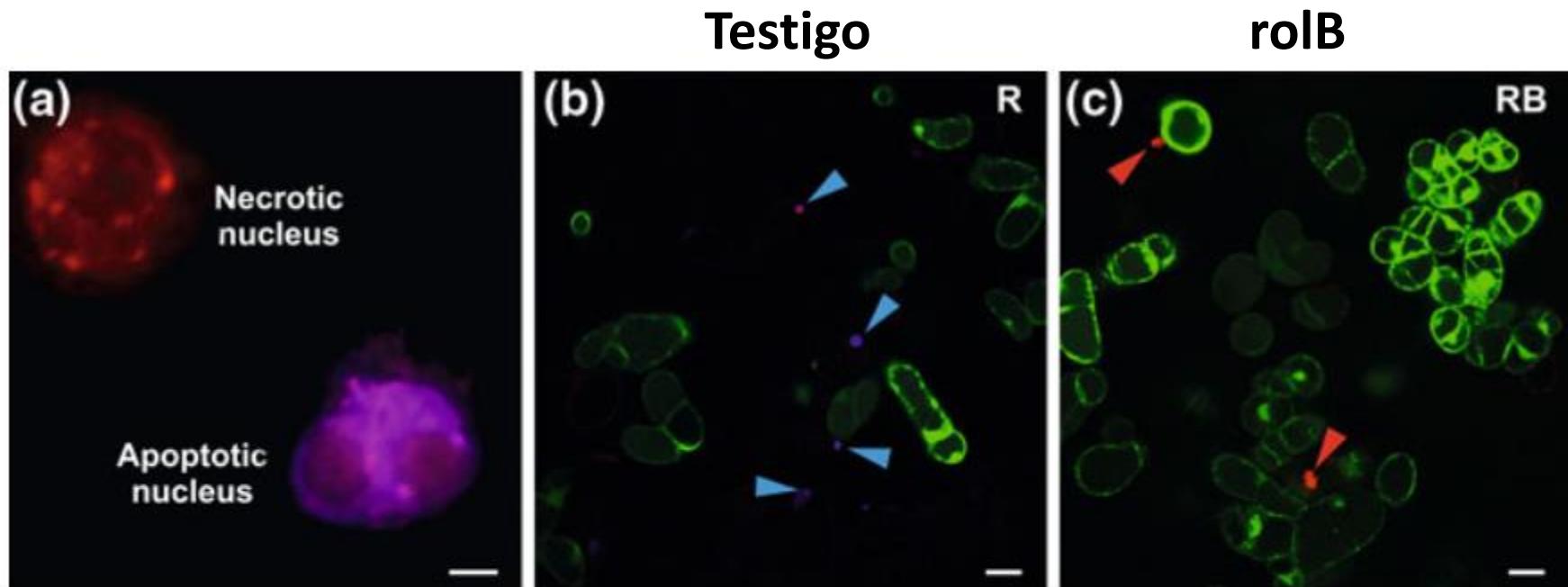


Fig. 2 Expression of *rolB* in *R. cordifolia* cells diminishes apoptosislike symptoms [30]. Cells of the control (R) and *rolB*-transformed (RB) cultures were analyzed by laser confocal microscopy. Propidium iodide and Hoechst 33342 were used to detect collapsed nuclei of necrotic cells and nuclei of apoptotic cells, respectively. **a** A view of nuclei of *R. cordifolia* cells dyed by necrosis (red) and apoptosis (blue + red). In control nontransformed cells (**b**), blue staining of the nuclei (cyan arrows) indicates an early phase of apoptosis and violet staining of the nucleus reflects a later phase of apoptosis. Necrotic cells with red-stained nuclei are indicated by red arrows (**c**). Scale bars, 2 μm (**a**) and 50 μm (**b, c**)

1.3. Respuesta al estrés de la células transformadas

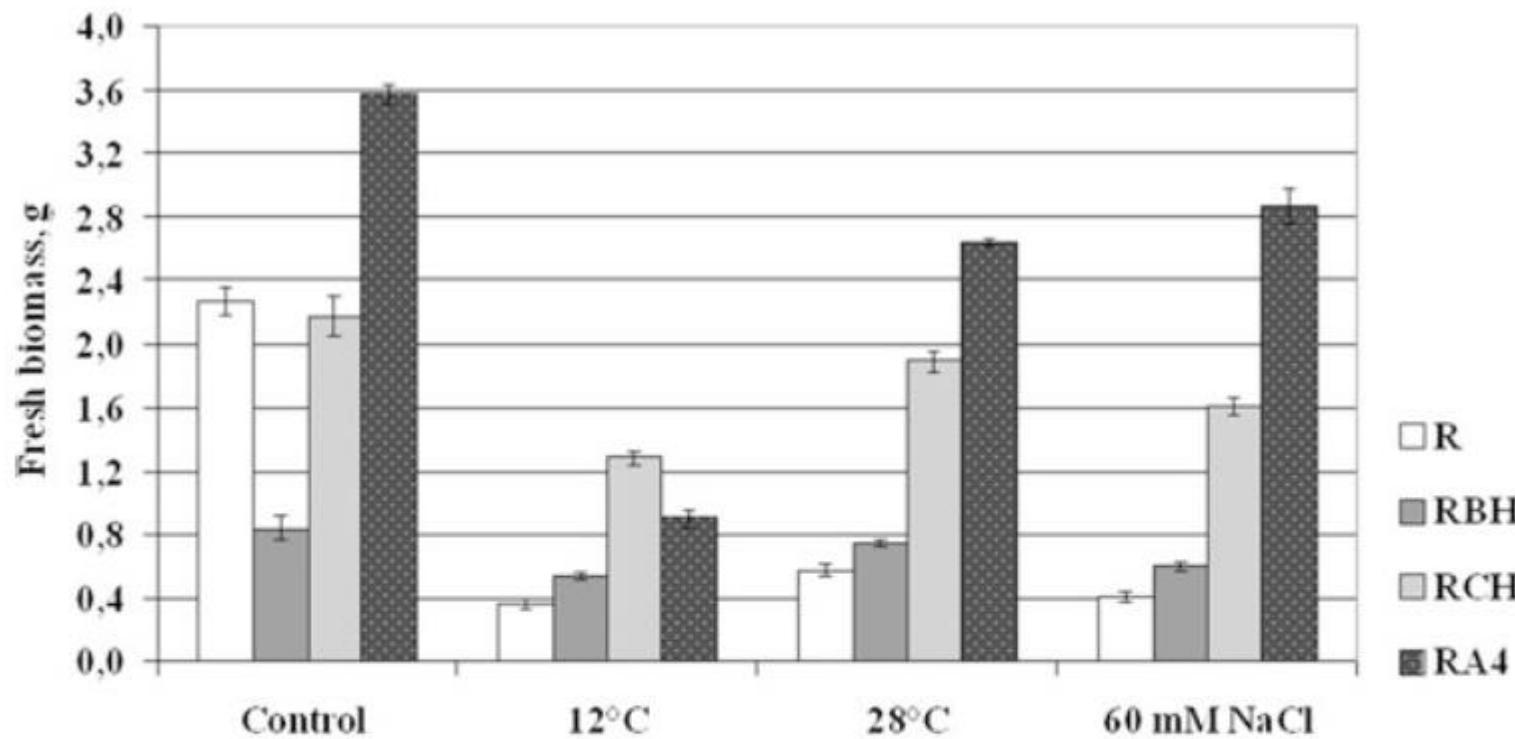


Fig. 3 Resistance of *R. cordifolia* cells to low and high temperatures and salt stress. The data are summarized from earlier publications [11, 14, 55]. Control: normal conditions of cultivation (24 °C). *R* nontransformed control, *RBH* high-*rolB*-expressing cells, *RCH* high-*rolC*-expressing cells, *RA4* *A. rhizogenes* A4 transformed cells. The inoculum biomass was 0.2 g fresh weight. The *R*, *RBH*, and *RCH* cultures were grown in the presence of 6-benzylaminopurine (0.5 mg l⁻¹) and α -naphthaleneacetic acid (2.0 mg l⁻¹). The *A4* cells were grown in hormone-free medium

1.4. Oncogenes del ADN-T y el Metabolismo Secundario

Los genes rolB y rolC, son activadores del metabolismo secundario en las familias:
Solanaceae, Araliaceae, Rubiaceae, Vitaceae, and Rosaceae.

Among the activated metabolites were
Antraquinones (AQs),
Alcaloids (tropano, piridin e indólicos, and indole groups),
Estilbenes (resveratrol),
Isoflavonoides (isoflavones and pterocarpans),
Glucósidos tipo dammarano (ginsenósidos).

Dependiendo del grupo de metabolitos secundarios, estos pueden elevarse de 2-300 veces.

En células transformadas de *R. cordifolia* el efecto estimulador ha sido estable durante un período de cultivo de 12 años.

2. Fosforilación de tirosina y patogénesis microbiana

A plant oncogene as a phosphatase

El gen *RolB* codifica a una proteína con actividad de fosfatasa de tirosina (tyrosine phosphatase = TyP). La cual reprime la inducción de ROS en plantas y la muerte celular programada

En *Arabidopsis* el gen *HopAO1* codifica para una proteína con la misma actividad de TyP y reprime las respuesta de defensa asociadas con la inmunidad innata disparada por los Patrones Moleculares Asociadas a Patógenos = PAMP)

Entre los genes desregulados por *HopAO1*, se encuentran los relacionados por proteínas PR-1, PR-2 y PR-5 y el factor transcripcional MYB122 involucrado en la regulación el metabolismo Secundario y la proteína XET que participa en el endurecimiento de la pared celular.

SIR — The plant oncogene *rolB*, from *Agrobacterium rhizogenes*, induces differentiation and growth of neoplastic roots ('hairy-roots¹') in dicotyledonous plants. *rolB*-transformed plant cells show an increased membrane sensitivity to^{2,3}, and binding capacity of⁴, auxin, the most extensively studied plant hormone. The oncogene *rolB* may thus provide a tool for elucidating the still elusive mechanism of auxin signal perception/transduction and for shedding light on the role of this plant hormone in the control of plant growth and differentiation. So far, all attempts to clarify the biochemical activity and sub-cellular localization of the *rolB* gene product have been inconclusive. Here we show that the *RolB* protein overproduced in *Escherichia coli* has tyrosine phosphatase activity, and that in transformed plant cells it is localized in the plasma membrane.

The full-length *rolB* gene was cloned in vector ptrc97B (provided by E. Amman) and the resulting construct (pMTB4) transferred in *E. coli* W3110^{lac I^cL8}. On induction by isopropyl-β-D-thiogalactoside, the production of the *RolB* protein was confirmed by immunoblotting. The lysates of bacteria producing *RolB* (MTB4) have a fivefold higher phos-



Nuclear localization and interaction of *RolB* with plant 14-3-3 proteins correlates with induction of adventitious roots by the oncogene *rolB*

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The rooting-locus gene B (*rolB*) on the T-DNA of the root-inducing (Ri) plasmid in *Agrobacterium rhizogenes* is responsible for the induction of transformed adventitious roots, although the root induction mechanism is unknown. We report here that the RolB protein of pRi1724 (1724RolB) is associated with *Nicotiana tabacum* 14-3-3-like protein *ωll* (Nt14-3-3 *ωll*) in tobacco bright yellow (BY)-2 cells. Nt14-3-3 *ωll* directly interacts with 1724RolB protein. Green fluorescent protein (GFP)-fused 1724RolB is localized to the nucleus. GFP-fused mutant 1724RolB proteins having a deletion or amino acid substitution are unable to interact with Nt14-3-3 *ωll* and also show impaired nuclear localization. Moreover, these 1724RolB mutants show decreased capacity for adventitious root induction. These results suggest that adventitious root induction by 1724RolB protein correlates with its interaction with Nt14-3-3 *ωll* and the nuclear localization of 1724RolB protein.

La localización nuclear de la proteína *rolB* mediada por proteínas 14-3-3 favorecen la Hipótesis que su blanco primario son las proteínas nucleares y más específicamente la desfosforilación de los residuos de tirosina de las MAP CINASAS

3. Supresores de la inmunidad innata o reguladores de la adaptabilidad celular

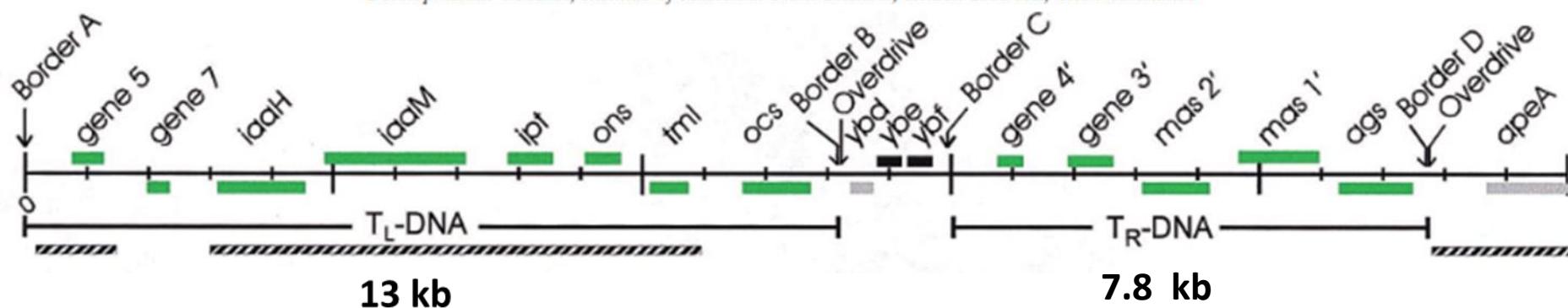
3.1 Mecanismo de acción de 6b

Actividad dual: Activador transcripcional

Modulador y mediador de la maquinaria de Silenciamiento de ARN

MINIREVIEW

The Bases of Crown Gall Tumorigenesis

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Genetic locus	Description	Reference(s)
T-DNA genes		
<i>ags</i>	Agropine synthase, lactonization of mannopine	24, 40
Gene 5	Synthesis of indole-3-lactate, an auxin antagonist	57
<i>iaaH</i> and <i>iaaM</i>	Conversion of tryptophan to indole acetic acid (auxin)	55
<i>ipt</i>	Condensation of AMP and isopentenylpyrophosphate to form isopentenyl-AMP, a cytokinin	66
<i>mas1'</i> and <i>mas2'</i>	Mannopine synthase; condensation of glucose with glutamine or glutamate followed by reduction	24
<i>ocs</i>	Octopine synthase, reductive condensation of pyruvate with four basic amino acids	21
<i>ons</i>	Opine export from plant cells	75
<i>tml</i> (gene 6b)	Auxin sensitivity	108
Borders A, B, C, D	<i>cis</i> -acting sites required for T-DNA processing, functionally equivalent to conjugal origins of transfer	125
Overdrive	<i>cis</i> -acting site for optimal T-DNA transfer; VirC1 binding site	110, 113

Oncogene *6b* from *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* Induces Abaxial Cell Division at Late Stages of Leaf Development and Modifies Vascular Development in Petioles

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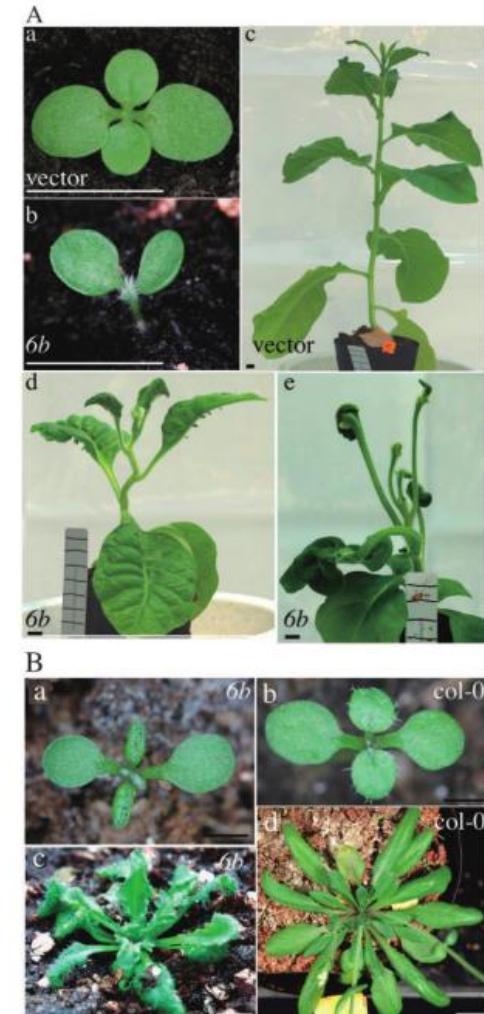
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The *6b* gene in the T-DNA region of the Ti plasmids of *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* and *A. vitis* is able to generate shooty calli in phytohormone-free culture of leaf sections of tobacco transformed with *6b*. In the present study, we report characteristic morphological abnormalities of the leaves of transgenic tobacco and Arabidopsis that express *6b* from pTiAKE10 (AK-*6b*), and altered expression of genes related to cell division and meristem formation in the transgenic plants. Cotyledons and leaves of both transgenic tobacco and Arabidopsis exhibited various abnormalities including upward curling of leaf blades, and transgenic tobacco leaves produced leaf-like outgrowths from the abaxial side. Transcripts of some class 1 *KNOX* homeobox genes, which are thought to be related to meristem functions, and cell cycle regulating genes were ectopically accumulated in mature leaves. M phase-specific genes were also ectopically expressed at the abaxial sides of mature leaves. These results suggest that the AK-*6b* gene stimulates the cellular potential for division and meristematic functions preferentially in the abaxial side of leaves and that the leaf phenotypes generated by AK-*6b* are at least in part due to such biased cell division during polar development of leaves. The results of the present experiments with a fusion gene between the AK-*6b* gene and the glucocorticoid receptor gene showed that nuclear import of the AK-*6b* protein was essential for upward curling of leaves and hormone-free callus formation, suggesting a role for AK-*6b* in nuclear events.

Fig. 1 The typical phenotype of AK-*6b* transgenic tobacco. (A) Gross morphology of aerial parts of tobacco plants. Plants were soil-grown in a greenhouse. (a) A tobacco plant transformed with empty vector pBI121, 14 days old. (b) A transgenic tobacco plant that had been transformed with the P35S-AK-*6b* gene, 14 days old. (c) A tobacco plant transformed with empty vector pBI121, 2 months old. (d) An AK-*6b* transgenic tobacco plant that exhibited a mild phenotype, 2 months old. (e) An AK-*6b* transgenic tobacco plant that exhibited a severe phenotype, 2 months old. Scale bars = 1 cm. (B) Gross morphology of aerial parts of Arabidopsis plants. Plants were soil-grown in a covered container and the cover was removed 3 d after vernalization (DAV). (a) An AK-*6b* transgenic Arabidopsis plant, 10 DAV. (b) A non-transgenic Arabidopsis plant, 10 DAV. (c) An AK-*6b* transgenic Arabidopsis plant, 41 DAV. (d) A non-transgenic Arabidopsis plant, 41 DAV. Scale bars = 1 mm (a, b) and 1 cm (c, d).



An Oncoprotein from the Plant Pathogen *Agrobacterium* Has Histone Chaperone-Like Activity^W

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Protein 6b, encoded by T-DNA from the pathogen *Agrobacterium tumefaciens*, stimulates the plant hormone-independent division of cells in culture *in vitro* and induces aberrant cell growth and the ectopic expression of various genes, including genes related to cell division and meristem-related class 1 KNOX homeobox genes, in 6b-expressing transgenic *Arabidopsis thaliana* and *Nicotiana tabacum* plants. Protein 6b is found in nuclei and binds to several plant nuclear proteins. Here, we report that 6b binds specifically to histone H3 *in vitro* but not to other core histones. Analysis by bimolecular fluorescence complementation revealed an interaction *in vivo* between 6b and histone H3. We recovered 6b from a chromatin fraction from 6b-expressing plant cells. A supercoiling assay and digestion with micrococcal nuclease indicated that 6b acts as a histone chaperone with the ability to mediate formation of nucleosomes *in vitro*. Mutant 6b, lacking the C-terminal region that is required for cell division-stimulating activity and interaction with histone H3, was deficient in histone chaperone activity. Our results suggest a relationship between alterations in nucleosome structure and the expression of growth-regulating genes on the one hand and the induction of aberrant cell proliferation on the other.

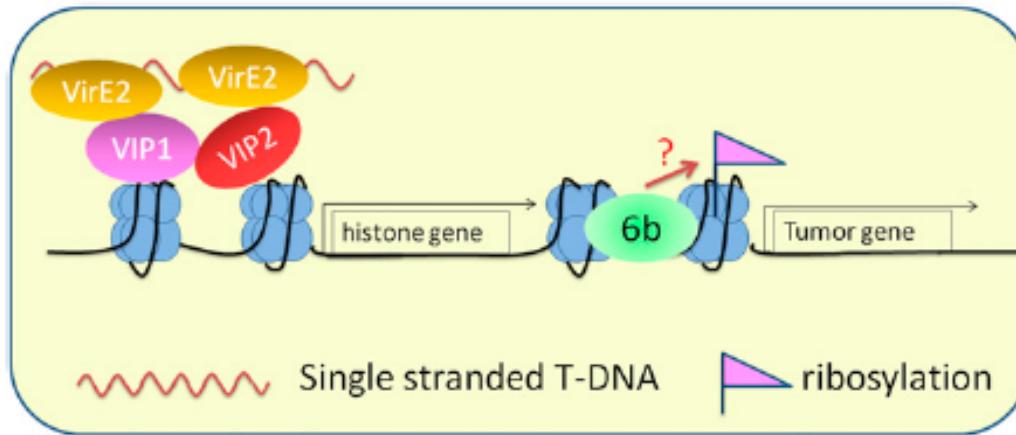


Figure 2. A model for the *Agrobacterium* effectors VirE2 and 6b in modulating chromatin configurations and gene expression in the plant nucleus. VirE2 directly interacts with VIP1 and VIP2, which also interact with each other. VIP1 facilitates the association of T-DNA complexes with histones and thereby promotes T-DNA integration. VIP2 may activate histone gene expression. 6b directly interacts with histone H3 and possesses an ADP-ribosyltransferase activity. 6b could potentially modulate histone modification and induce genes involved in abnormal cell growth.

3.2. T-DNA Versus Virus: Suppression de las defensas del huésped

Molecular insights into plant cell proliferation disturbance by *Agrobacterium* protein 6b

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The *Agrobacterium* Ti plasmid (T-DNA) 6b proteins interact with many different host proteins implicated in plant cell proliferation. Here, we show that *Arabidopsis* plants overexpressing 6b display microRNA (miRNA) deficiency by directly targeting SERRATE and AGO1 via a specific loop fragment (residues 40–55). In addition, we report the crystal structures of *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* AK6b at 2.1 Å°, *Agrobacterium vitis* AB6b at 1.65 Å and *Arabidopsis* ADP ribosylation factor (ARF) at 1.8 Å°. The 6b structure adopts an ADP-ribosylating toxin fold closely related to cholera toxin. In vitro ADP ribosylation analysis demonstrates that 6b represents a new toxin family, with Tyr 66, Thr 93, and Tyr 153 as the ADP ribosylation catalytic residues in the presence of *Arabidopsis* ARF and GTP. Our work provides molecular insights, suggesting that 6b regulates plant cell growth by the disturbance of the miRNA pathway through its ADP ribosylation activity.

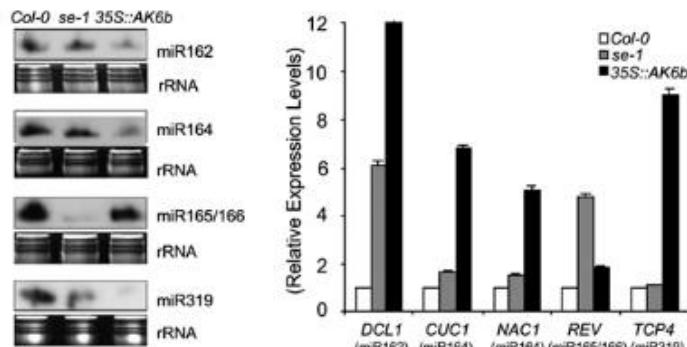
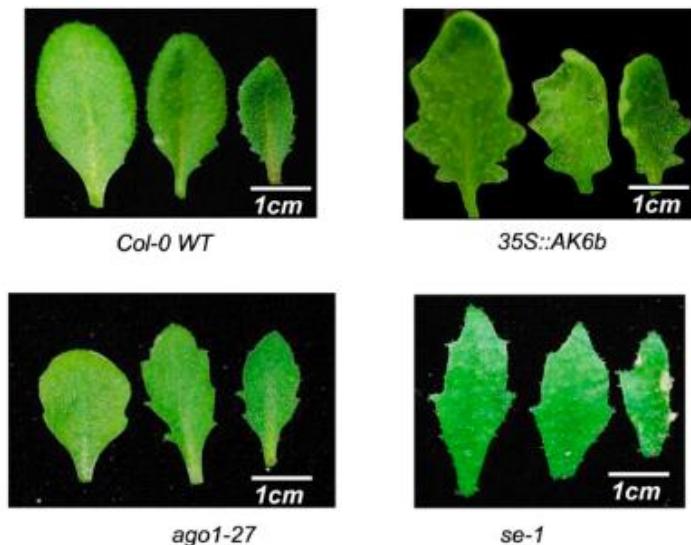


Figure 1. Expression of miRNA in *AK6b* transgenic plants. (A) Comparison of the morphological phenotype between *35S::AK6b*, *ago1-27*, and *se-1* plants. Photographs were taken for the second, third, and fourth true leaves of 4-wk-old seedlings. Bar, 1 cm. (B) Accumulation of small RNAs and target mRNAs in wild-type (*Col-0*), *se-1*, and *35S::AK6b* plants. Each lane contained 12 µg of RNA. rRNAs were used as a loading control. For analysis of target mRNAs, quantifications of each cDNA sample were made in triplicate, and consistent results from at least two independent RNA samples were used.

MicroRNAs (miRNAs): Spm RNAs regulatorios de 21-24 nucleotidos. Funcionan:

- (1) Respuesta al estrés biótico y abiótico
- (2) Metabolismo
- (3) Señalización a reguladores de crecimiento
- (4) Transcription
- (5) Desarrollo
- (6) Regulation de maquinaria de miRNA

DCL1 = RNAse III DICER-LIKE

CUC1 = CUP-SHAPED COTYLEDON1
(meristems)

NAC = (NAM, ATAF1/2 y CUC2). Familia de factores transcripcionales relacionadas con estrés abiótico

REV = REVOLUTA (desarrollo meristemo apical)

TCP4 = Familia de factores transcripcionales (desarrollo floral)

The results show that 6b executes its suppressor function by directly targeting SE and AGO1, two key components of the miRNA machinery in *Arabidopsis*.

AGO1 defines a novel locus of *Arabidopsis* controlling leaf development

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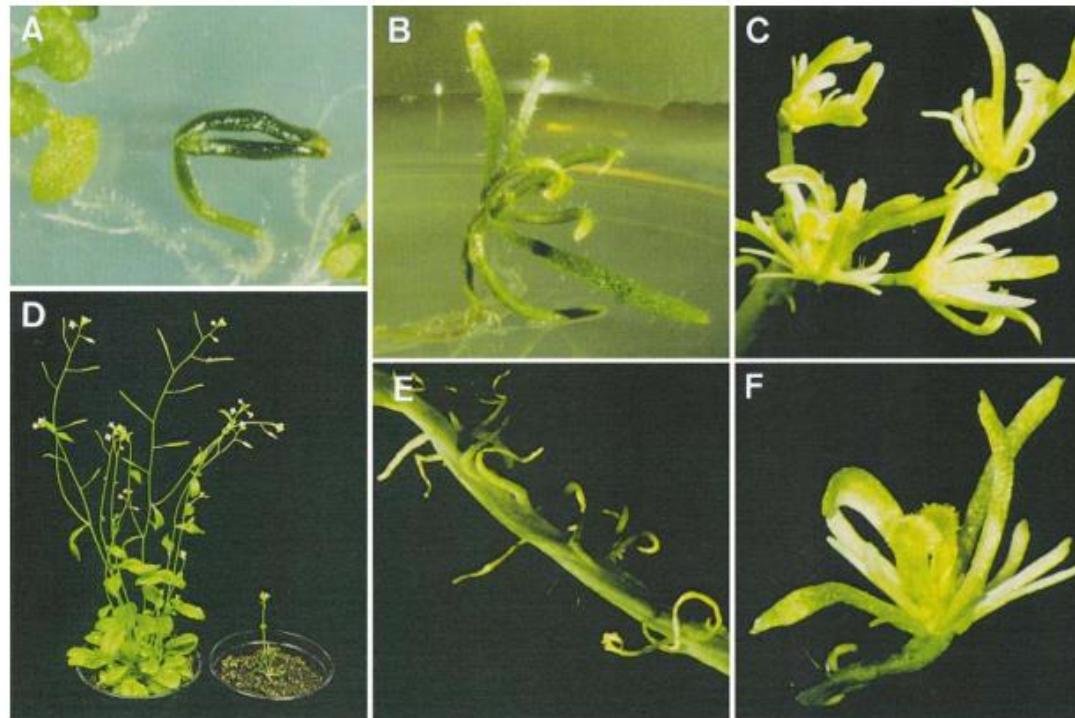


Fig. 1. Phenotype of the *ago1-1* mutant. (A) 11-day-old *ago1-1* seedling (center) and hygromycin B resistant heterozygous plant (upper left corner); (B) 35-day-old *ago1-1* seedling; (C) inflorescence of a 6-week-old *ago1-1* mutant; (D) 6-week-old wild-type (left) and *ago1-1* mutant (right); (E) caulin leaf-like structures on an *ago1-1* inflorescence stem (6-weeks-old); (F) *ago1-1* flower (6-weeks-old).

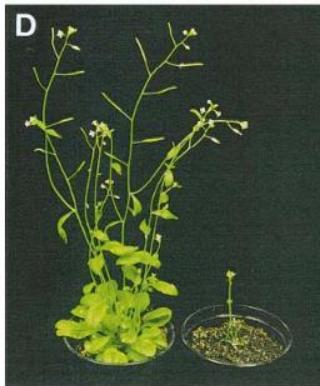


Fig. 8. Phenotype of transgenic wild-type and heterozygous *AGO1-1/ago1-1* lines transformed with sense- or antisense-35S-CMV:AGO1-cDNA constructs. (A) untransformed wild-type (4 weeks old); (B) antisense plant (5 weeks old); (C) sense plant (4 weeks old); (D) and (E) leaves of antisense plants; (F) leaves of a sense plant (4 weeks old); (G) petal of a sense plant.

RNA Silencing in Plants: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow

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ARGONAUTE1 (AGO1): Cataliza el corte del ARNm

RNA-dependent ARN polymerase (RDR)
Methyltransferase HUA ENHANCER1(HEN1)
RNase III DICER-LIKE 1(DCL1)

RISC, RNA-induced silencing complex

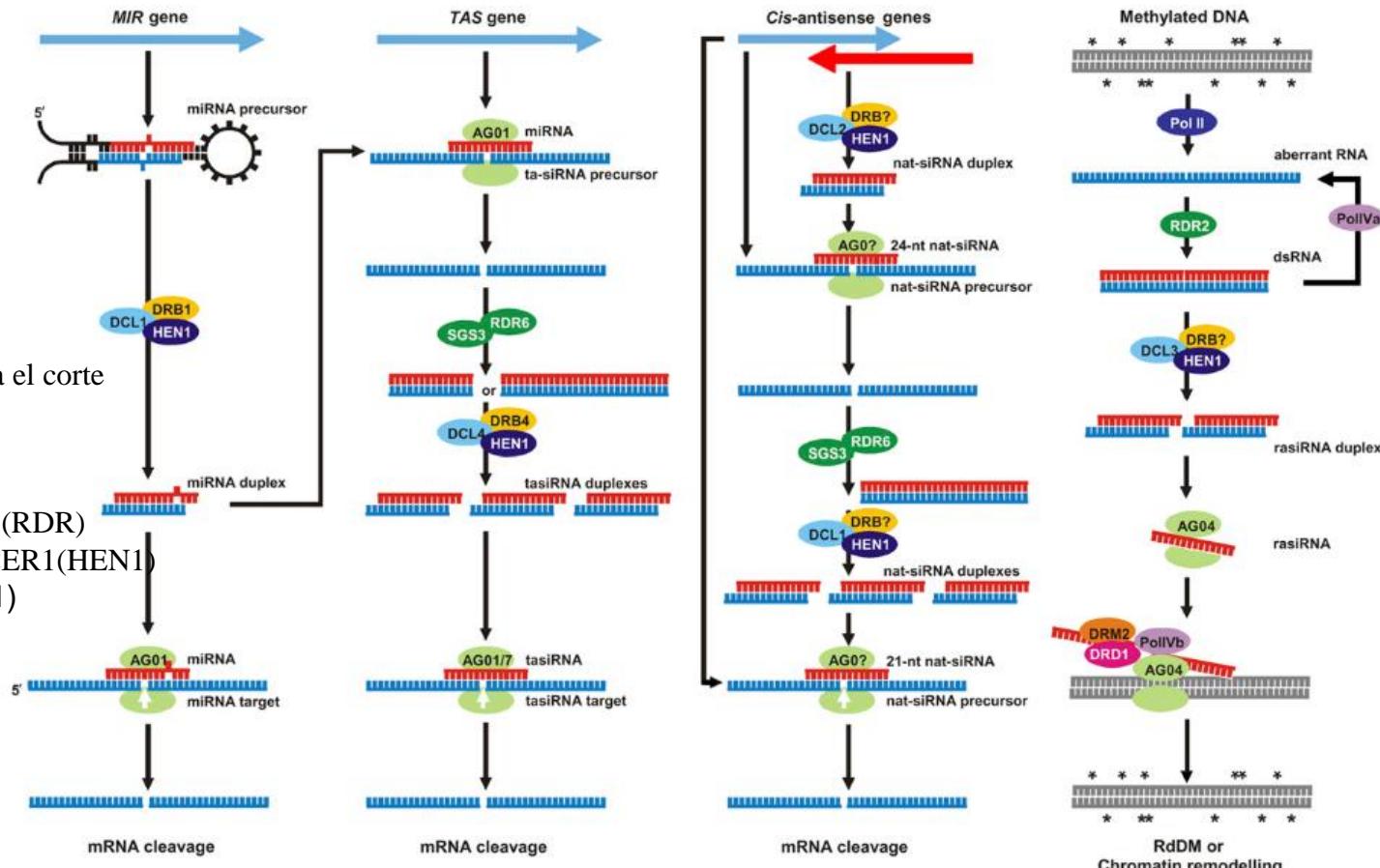


Figure 3. The parallel RNA silencing pathways of *Arabidopsis*. Schematic representation of the parallel DCL/sRNA-directed RNA silencing pathways in the model dicotyledonous species *Arabidopsis*, outlining the specific step or steps in each pathway for the individual RNA silencing-associated proteins mentioned in the text of this review.

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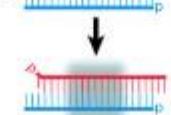
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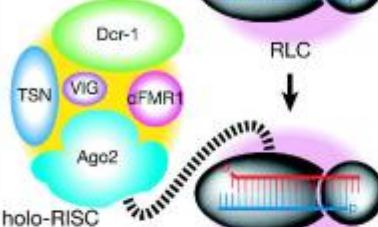
Complex B

less stable end  more stable end



Dcr-2
R2D2

R2D2 binds more stable end,
recruiting Dcr-2 to less stable end
R2D2 senses 5' phosphate
of passenger strand

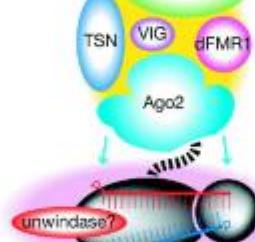


siRNA in RLC recruited to holo-RISC
by Dcr-2–Ago2 interaction

RLC

Unwinding initiates at Dcr-2 end of siRNA.

As unwinding proceeds,
Dcr-2/R2D2 is exchanged for Ago2



Passenger strand is destroyed

RISC

80S holo-RISC
with associated Dcr-2/R2D2

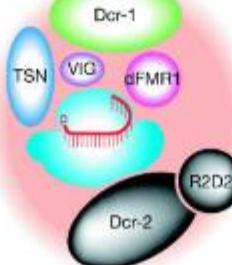


Figure 2. The RISC assembly pathway for siRNA in flies.

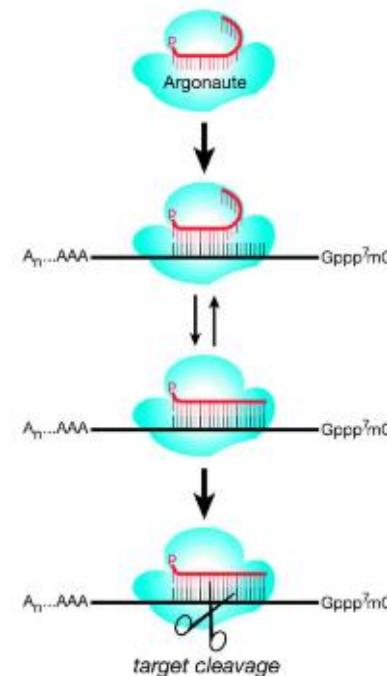


Figure 3. A two-state model for Argonaute function in RISC.

Induction, suppression and requirement of RNA silencing pathways in virulent *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* infections

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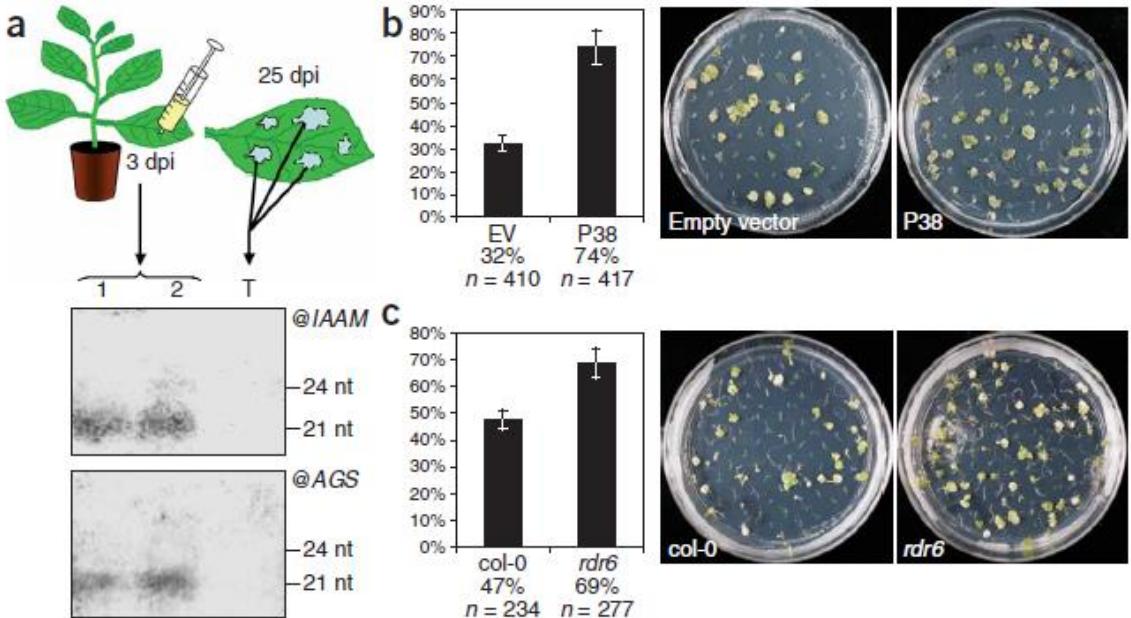


Figure 1 Induction and suppression of RNA silencing in *A. tumefaciens*-infected tissues.
(a) *N. benthamiana* leaves were syringe infiltrated with a low inoculum of *A. tumefaciens*. Whole leaves were collected at 3 dpi or left to allow the development of tumors and individually dissected at 25 dpi. Accumulation of *iaaM* and *ags* siRNA was assessed by RNA blot analysis. The RNAs in tracks 1 and 2 were extracted from separate leaf samples. T, tumor. **(b)** Dissected roots from P38 transgenic *A. thaliana* (right) show enhanced susceptibility to virulent *A. tumefaciens* compared with root segments from empty vector transformants (left). **(c)** Roots of the *rdr6* loss-of-function mutant of *A. thaliana* also show enhanced susceptibility to *A. tumefaciens* compared with roots from wild-type plants. n, total number of individually inoculated root segments in three (P38) or two (*rdr6*) independent experiments involving 130–150 segments each. The total number of tumors eventually developing on the inoculated roots is expressed as a percentage. The P38, empty vector transgenes and *rdr6* mutations are all in the *A. thaliana* ecotype Col-0, used here as a reference.

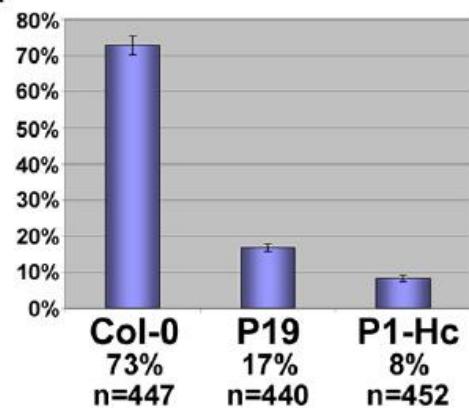
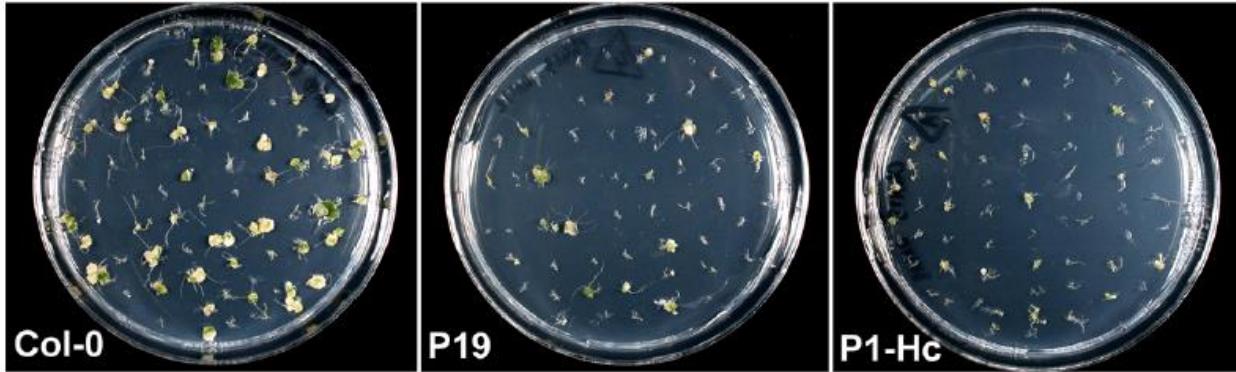
tryptophan 2-monooxygenase (*iaaM*)

agropine synthase (*ags*)

RDR6 is required for sense-transgene silencing

Dicer-like (DCL) enzymes define separate endogenous silencing pathways

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Supplementary Fig. 1. *Arabidopsis* plants expressing the P19 and P1-HcPro viral silencing suppressors show decrease susceptibility to *Agrobacterium*. Transgenic lines expressing the Tomato bushy stunt virus P19 protein and the Turnip mosaic virus P1-HcPro were described previously. Unlike P38, P19 and P1-HcPro were shown to inhibit both RNAi from IR transgene and miRNA-guided function in *Arabidopsis*. The experimental procedure is the same as in Fig.1; the total values are from three independent inoculation experiments involving 140-150 root segments each. The P19 and P1-HcPro transgenes are all in the *Arabidopsis* ecotype Col-0 used here as a reference.

Chapter 1

Agrobacterium rhizogenes-Mediated Transformation and Its Biotechnological Applications in Crops

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Table 1.1 Oncogenes of *A. rhizogenes*, their encoded proteins, functions and phenotypic changes in host plants

Gene	Protein	Function	Phenotype
<i>rolA</i>	Sequence motif common in DNA-binding proteins Regulatory transcription factor	Inhibits cell elongation via diffusible factor Decreases hormone concentrations Increase sensitivity to auxin Modulating hormone physiology of GA Interfere polyamine metabolism Correlate with plasma membrane H ⁺ ATPase activity	Stunted growth, dark green wrinkled leaves with an altered length to width ratio, condensed inflorescences, retarded onset of flowering, compact reduced number of flowers
<i>rolB</i>	Localizes to plasma membrane	Alterations in the reception/transduction of the auxin signal Stimulates new meristem formation	Fast growth, root meristem neoformation, high branching and plagiotropism
<i>rolC</i>	Phloem-specific expression in the root, low expression in the leaf, and no expression in the shoot tip	Induce secondary metabolism Reduces cell size Reduces abscisic acid (ABA), polyamine, and ethylene levels Formation of shoot meristems Regulate sugar metabolism and transport Stimulate the production of high levels of secondary metabolites	Increased branching, dwarfed plants with short internodes, reduced epidermal cell size in internodes, lanceolate leaves, early flowering, reduced flower size and reduced pollen production
<i>rolD</i>	Only expresses in Agropine type strains Cytosolic protein Exhibits poor tissue- or organ-specific expression	Incapable of inducing root formation on its own Provide defense response as a result of environmental stress	Increased flowering, reduced rooting, elongating and expanding tissues of each organ but not on apical meristem, callus growth giving rise to initiation of tumor resemble formation

<i>rolB</i> ^{TR}	CX5R motif is absent N-terminal part contain 14 amino acids	<i>rolB</i> homolog on TR-DNA in the agropine type Ri plasmid	Wrinkled leaves bent strongly downward, formed shoots at the base of the stem and retarded growth
ORF3n	Modification of phenolic enzymes and involve secondary metabolism and/or the transport of hormones	Negative regulator to the dedifferentiation of tissues	Retarded flowering, less dense inflorescences, altered internode elongation and leaf morphology and necrotic tips of upper leaves, sepals and bracts no sign of necrosis on the basal leaves

Table 1.1 (continued)

Gene	Protein	Function	Phenotype
ORF8	Fusion protein consisting of N-terminal domain (NORF8) and C-terminal part (CORF8) Tryptophan monooxygenase activity	Modifies sucrose transport N-terminal domain causes sugar/starch accumulation C-terminal domain reduces sugar/starch accumulation	Growth retardation, chlorotic and necrotic leaves and accumulation of high levels of sugars (glucose, fructose and sucrose) and starch
ORF13	Contains a conservative retinoblastoma (RB)-binding motif LxCxE	Hormone homeostasis and regulation of the cell cycle Increases number of mitoses in shoot apical meristem Induces dedifferentiation (prerequisite to competence) Graft transmissible	Induce cell proliferation such as dense green and rapidly proliferating callus, including irregular formation of leaves, severe leaf nervure, shortened and variable internode length, abnormal and asymmetric flowers, agravitropic root growth and a reduced cell number and cell size in the root
ORF13a	Tissue specific manner in plants, primarily in leaf vascular tissues May interact directly with DNA SPXX repeat motif	Necessary for root induction Regulatory function of itself	Not yield a visible phenotype
ORF14	Auxin like effect	Act together with ORF13 to induce root induction	No morphological change

3.3. Causan los oncogenes efectos adversos a las células vegetales?

Los oncogenes del ADN-Ti o ADN-Ri, alteran los procesos fisiológicos normales y causan daños en el desarrollo de las plantas, lo que representa pérdidas agrícolas.

Sin embargo la transformación con el gen rolC, tiene un efecto positivo en la viabilidad de las células cultivadas por largos períodos.

Raíces de Panax ginseng transformadas con el gen rolC , continuan creciendo a pesar de tener 20 años de cultivo, mientras que el cultivo de raíces normales presentan menos viabilidad.

Cultivos de callos transformados con el gen rolC de *R. cordifolia* han sido estables y con crecimiento vigoroso durante 12 años de cultivo

FIN

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