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**Correction:** In Fig. S3 on page 7, the author has removed one “remethylatable sequence,” leaving five (instead of six in the original figure) to match the results indicated in Tables S1 and S2. Also, Figure S9C from the original SOM is now Figure S10B, which is reflected in the main article’s SOM citations.

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### Material and Methods

#### *Plant Material*

Plants were from the *A. thaliana* Col-0 accession. The *ddm1-2*, *met1-1*, *dcl2-1*, *dcl3-1*, *rdr2-1*, *nrdp1a-1*, and *nrdp1b-1* mutants have been previously described (1-5). The *ddm1-2* mutant plants used in this study were derived from a *ddm1/DDM1* plant stock that had been maintained in the heterozygous state by repeated backcrossing to a wild type Columbia line over six generations to remove EMS-induced mutations unlinked to *ddm1* (A kind gift from Eric Richards, Washington University, Saint Louis, MO, USA). Homozygous *ddm1/ddm1* progeny was subsequently selfed for four generations. Plants were grown under long-day conditions, either *in vitro* in liquid for 10-day-old seedlings (6), or in soil otherwise.

#### *Analysis of DNA methylation and transcription*

DNA and RNA were extracted from seedlings, rosette leaves, stems and inflorescences using DNeasy and RNeasy Qiagen kits, respectively.

Digestion with the McrBC enzyme (New England Biolabs), which cuts methylated DNA, was followed by quantitative PCR (McrBC-qPCR) with specific primer pairs. Digestion was carried out using 500 ng of genomic DNA. Quantitative PCR was performed on equal amounts (2.5 ng) of digested and undigested DNA samples, using an ABI 7900 machine and Eurogentec SYBR green I MasterMix Plus. Primers are listed in Table S1. Results were expressed as percentage of molecules lost through McrBC digestion (Table S2). Most *ddm1*-hypomethylated sequences (47 out of 55) were chosen within the ~500 kb, repeat-rich interval that forms the heterochromatic knob on the short arm of chromosome 4, and were thus expected to be inherited as a single block. As controls, sequences

from 14 known genes or single copy unannotated regions that are unmethylated in wt and *ddm1* were included in the analysis, together with five sequences that are equally methylated in the two genetic backgrounds (Table S1).

Sodium bisulfite sequencing was performed as previously described (7). Primer sequences for bisulfite sequencing analysis were designed using Methyl Primer Express® software v1.0 and are listed in Table S3.

Reverse transcription (RT) was performed on 1 µg of total RNA using an oligodT primer and Superscript II (Invitrogen). Quantitative PCR was performed as described above on 1/40 of the RT reaction. Results were expressed as percentage of expression relative to the mean value obtained for three genes (*At2g36060*; *At4g29130*; *At5g13440*) with invariant expression over hundreds of publicly available microarray experiments. All primers used are listed in Tables S1 and S4.

#### *Small RNA Isolation, Cloning, and 454 Sequencing*

Small RNA isolation, gel purification and cloning were performed as previously described (8), using 200 µg RNA from wt and *ddm1* seedlings. Libraries were sequenced using 454 Life Sciences pyrosequencing technology (71 623 reads for wt, and 176 257 reads for *ddm1*). Sequence reads were matched against the Arabidopsis genome using MUMmer v3.0 software (9). Only small RNA sequences with perfect matches over their entire length (15-30 nt) were analyzed further (31 878 reads in wt and 76 753 reads in *ddm1*; GEO accession number: GSE13419). Sequences were characterized using the TAIR7 release of the Arabidopsis genome annotation ([www.arabidopsis.org](http://www.arabidopsis.org)), together with a novel annotation of transposable elements (<http://urgi.versailles.inra.fr/gbrowse/cgi-bin/gbrowse/atha/>). miRNAs were identified using miRBase (April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008 <http://microrna.sanger.ac.uk/>) and the ASRP database (May, 2008; <http://asrp.cgrb.oregonstate.edu/db/download.html>). Sequences obtained from wt were only used for quality control. Publicly available small RNA deep sequencing data obtained from wt seedlings (178 646 reads matching the genome; (10) were used for comparison with *ddm1* (Fig. 3A), to take advantage of their deeper coverage.

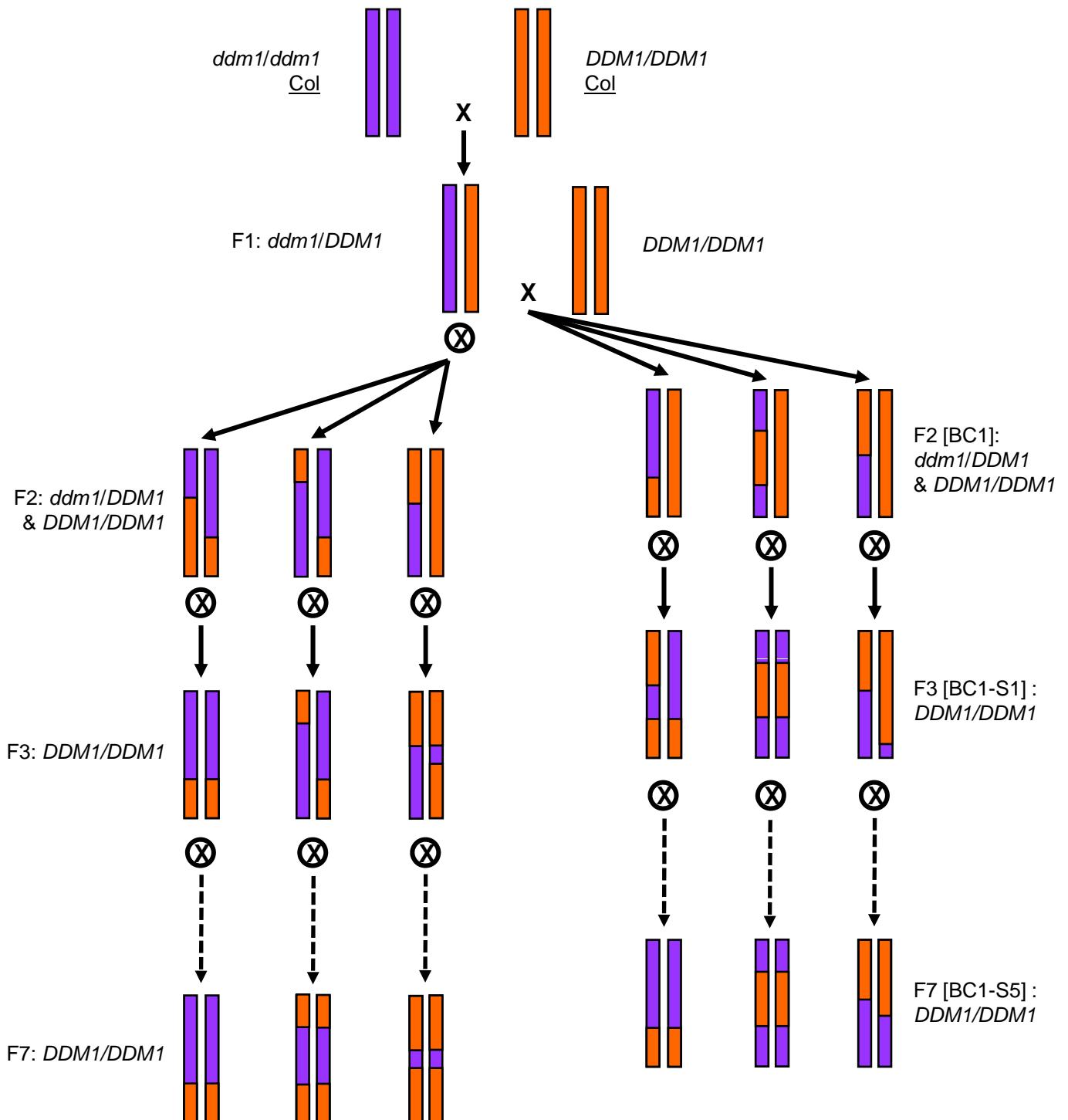
Densities (Fig. 3B, Table S1) were calculated by first considering each sequence probed by McrBC-PCR together with 300 bp on either side. Thus, densities were calculated over a 700-800 bp region in each case, using the following formula:

$$ND = \frac{\sum \left( \frac{NR_i}{NM_i} \right)}{TNR \times \text{Region Length}} \times 10^8$$

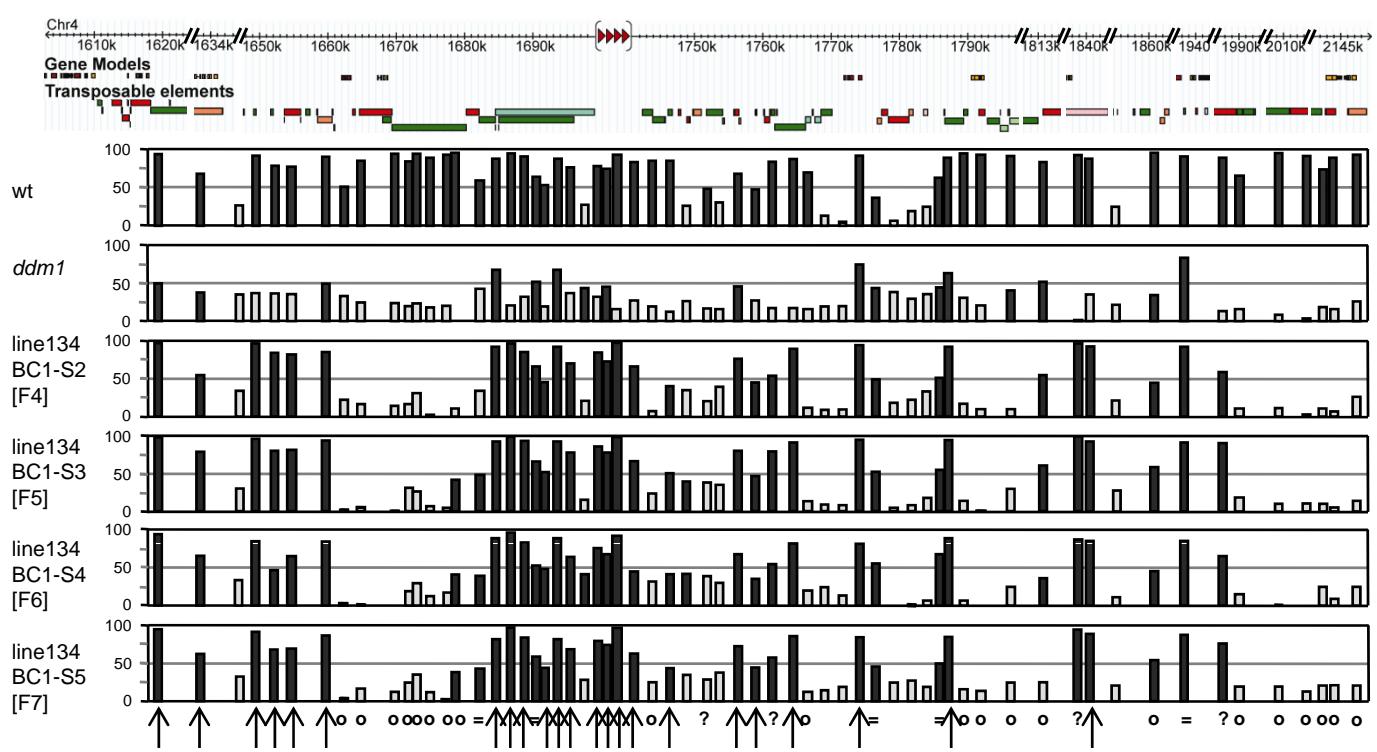
where NR is the number of reads corresponding to match Mi, NMi is the number of total matches for that sequence across the genome, TNR is the total number of matching reads in the library, Region length is in bp. Densities are expressed as the number of reads per unique match per kb per 10<sup>5</sup> reads. This formula thus corrects for the fact that many siRNAs match multiple positions within the genome.

Frequency distribution of siRNA sizes (Fig. 3C) was calculated by first removing reads (approximately 25-28%) corresponding to known miRNA genes and tasiRNAs as well as reads smaller than 16 nt or larger than 28 nt.

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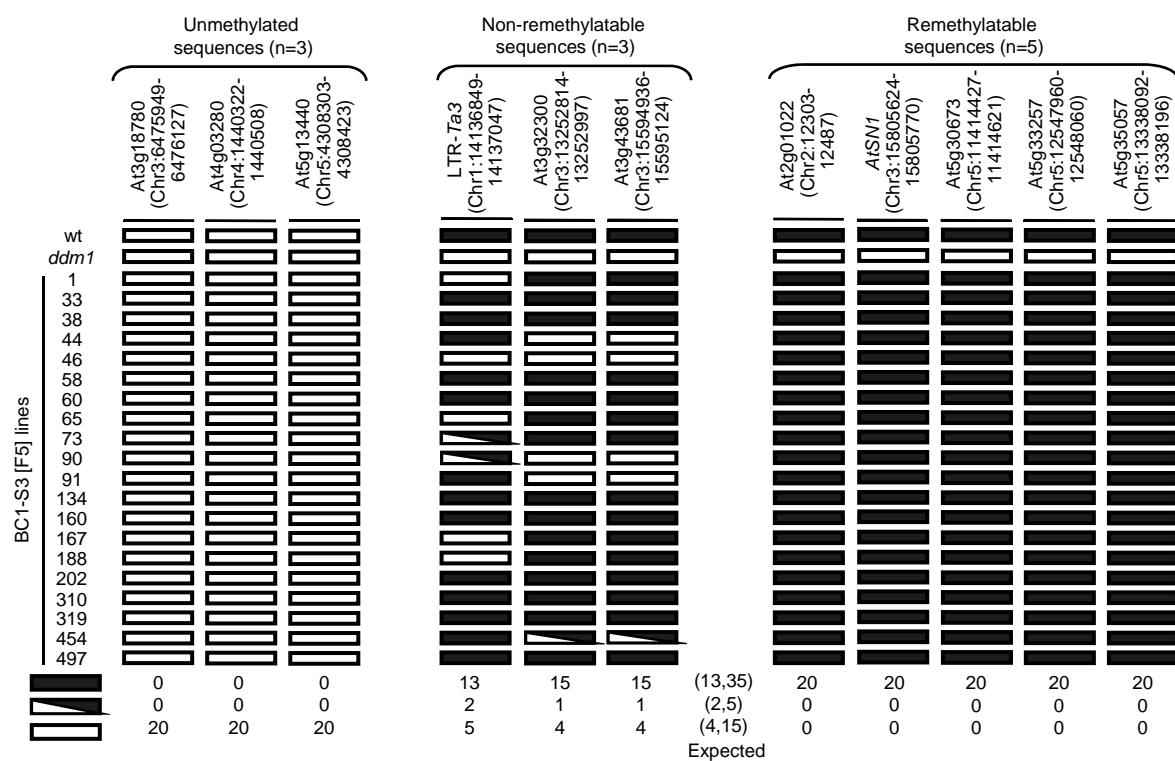


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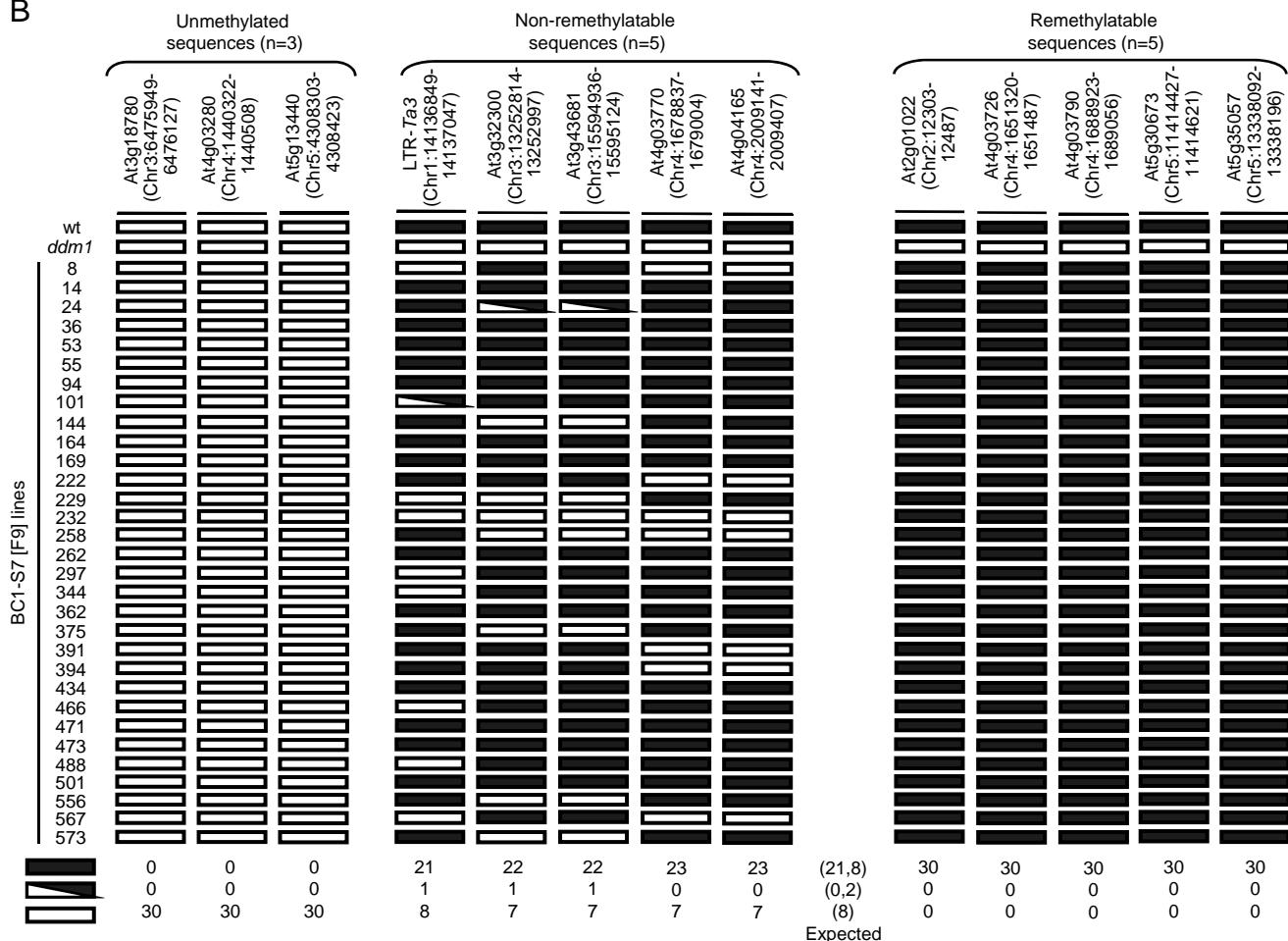


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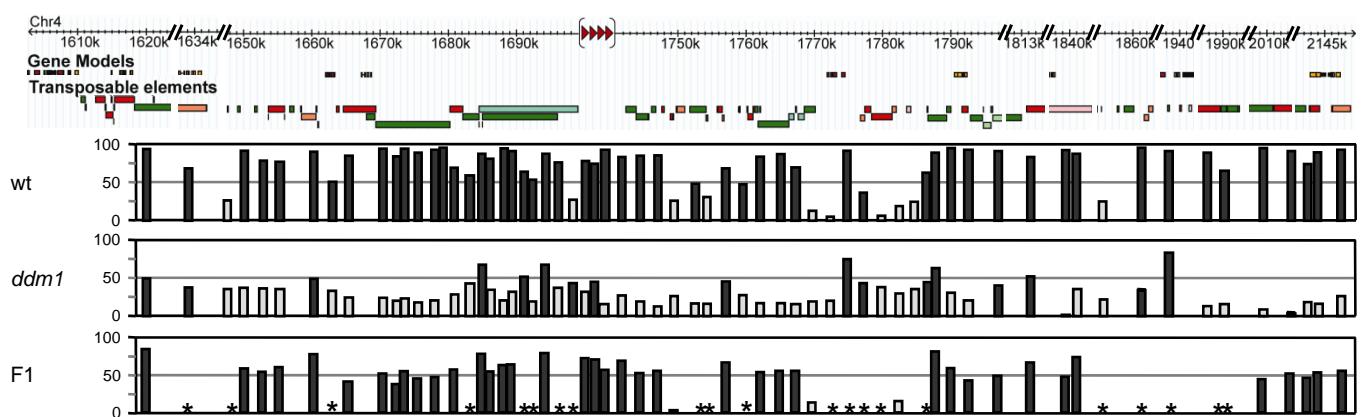


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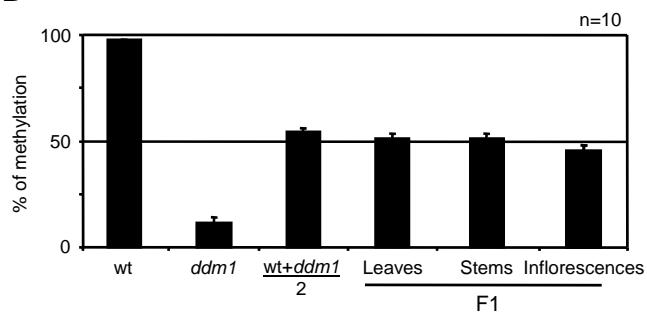


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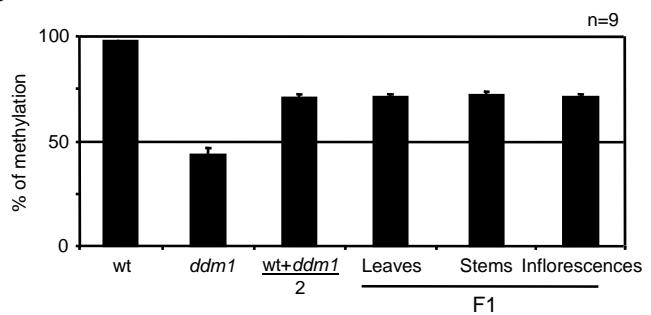
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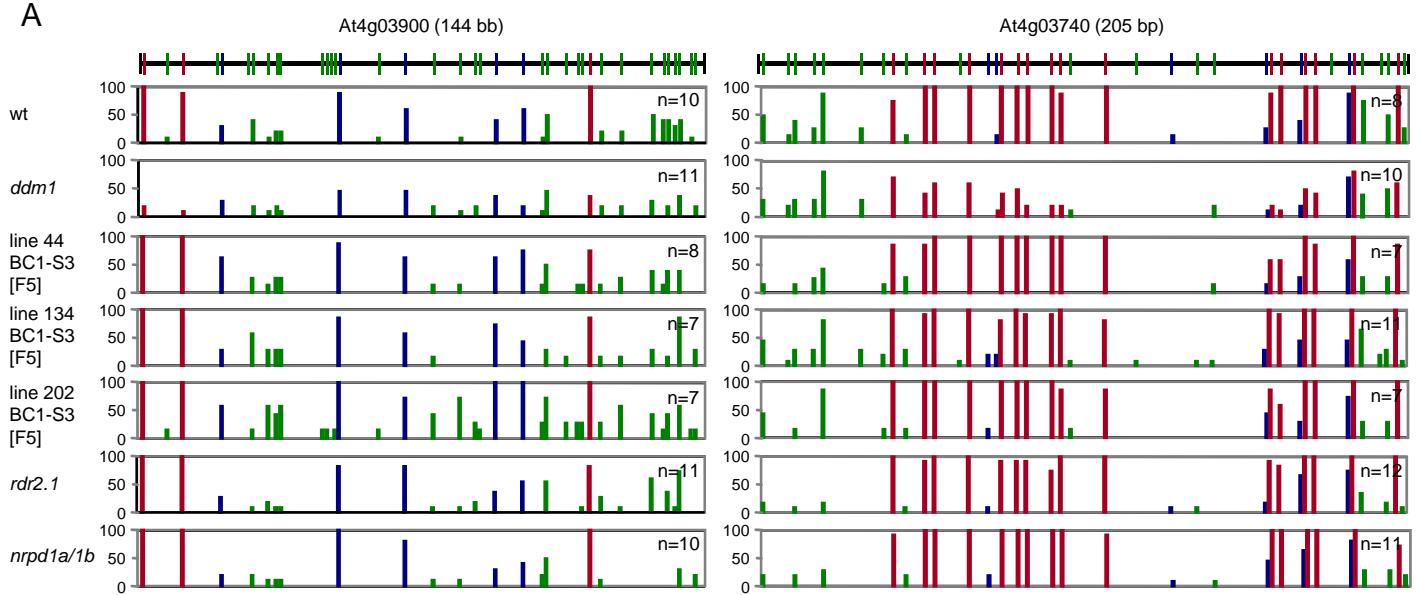


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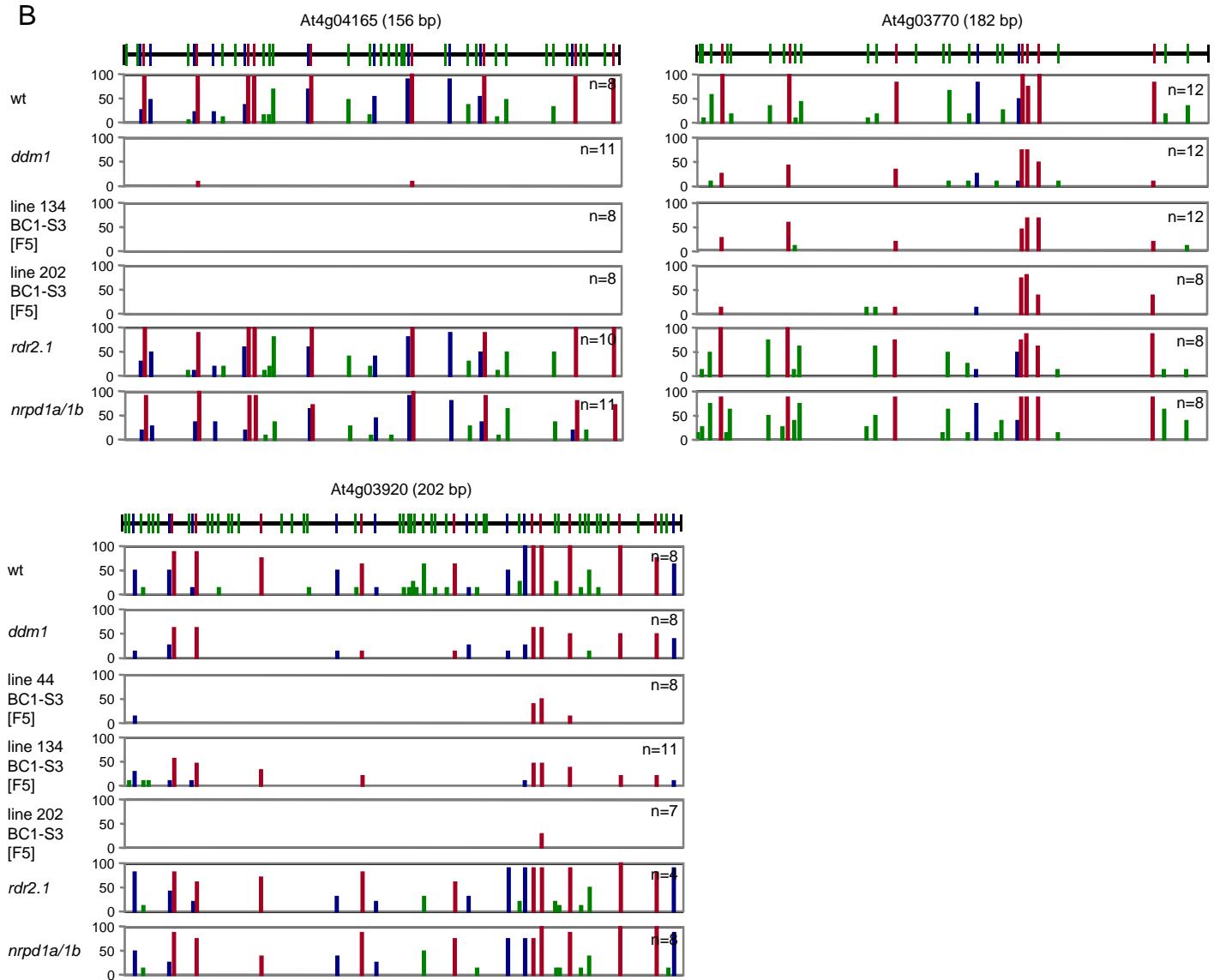


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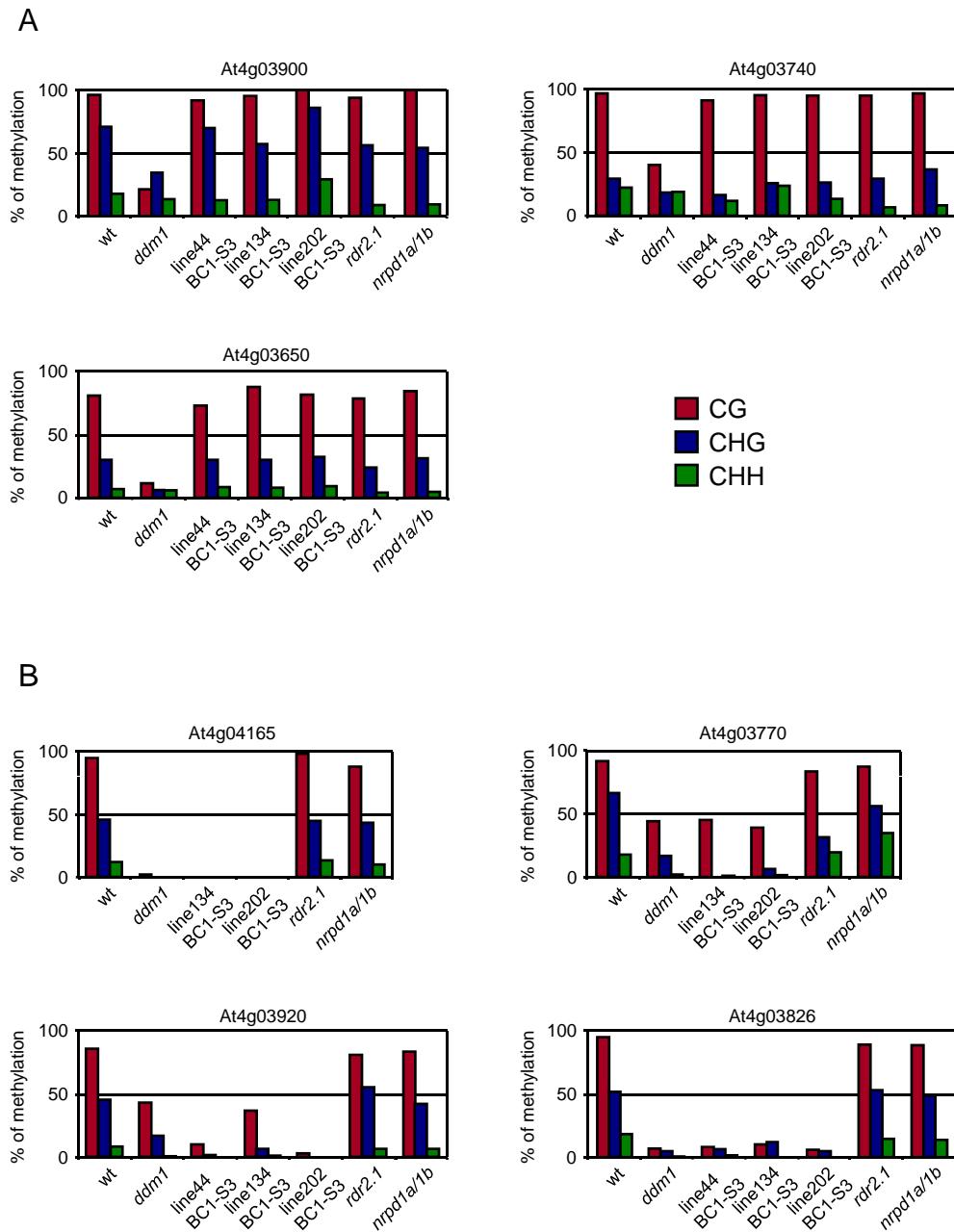
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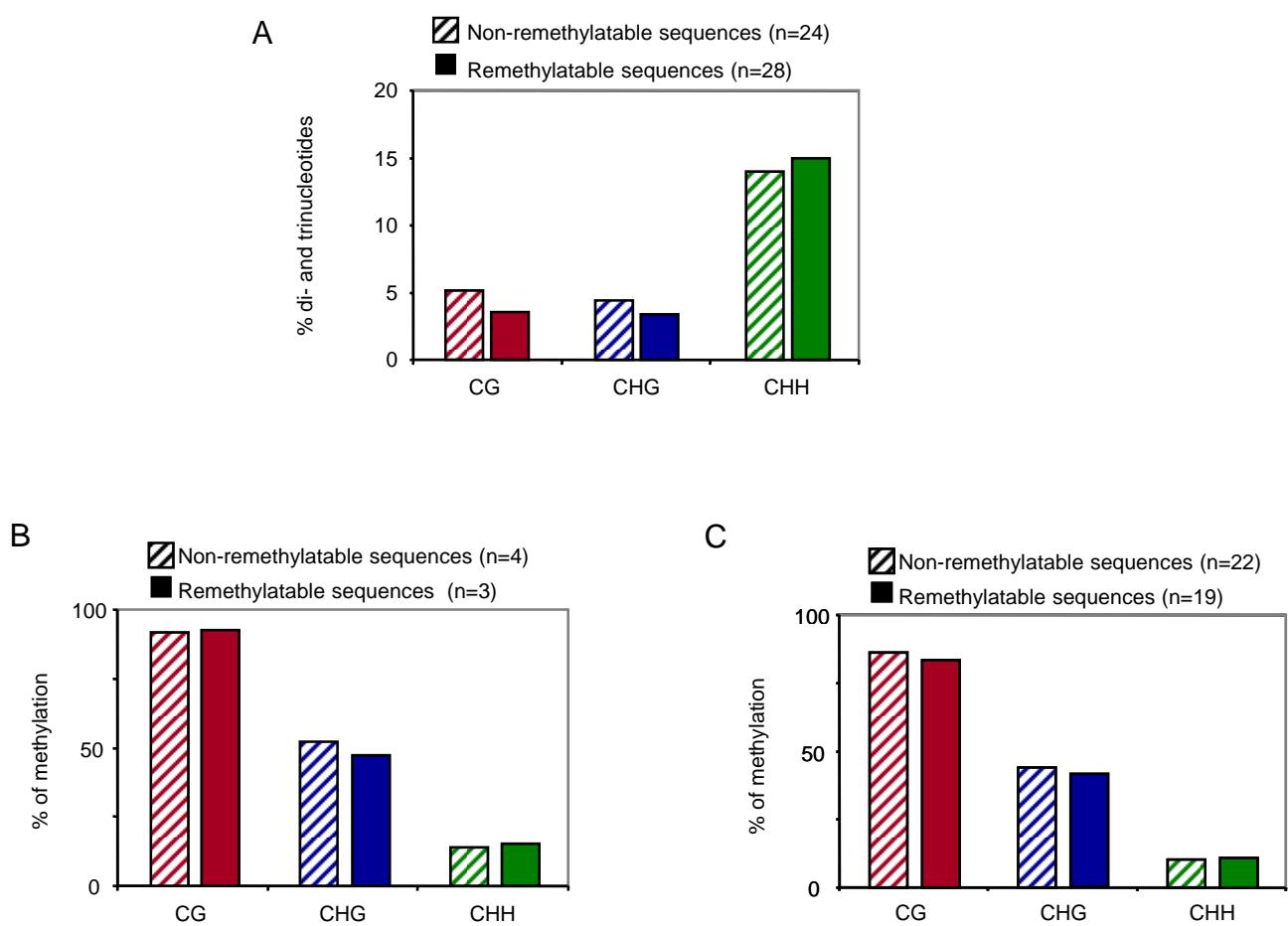
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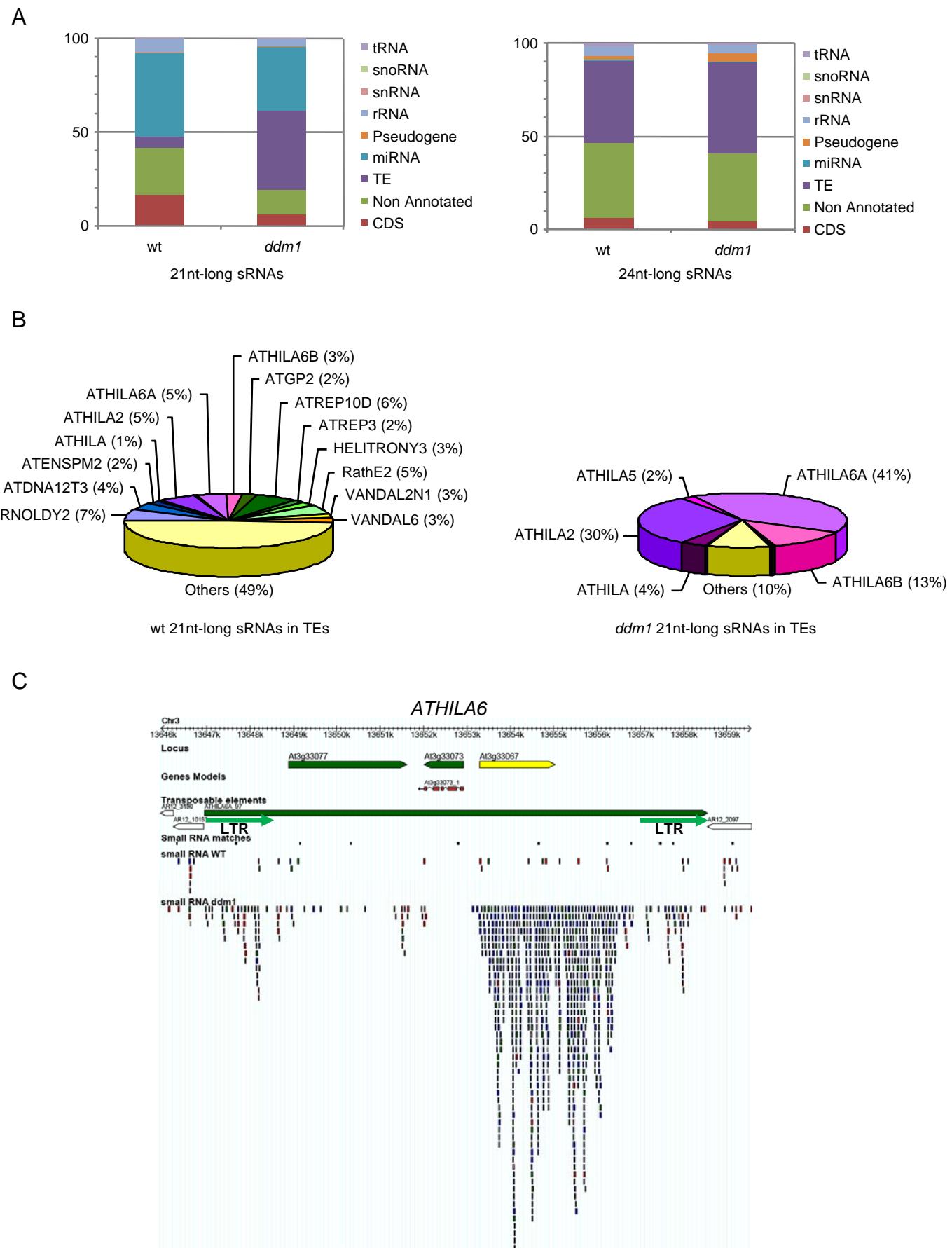
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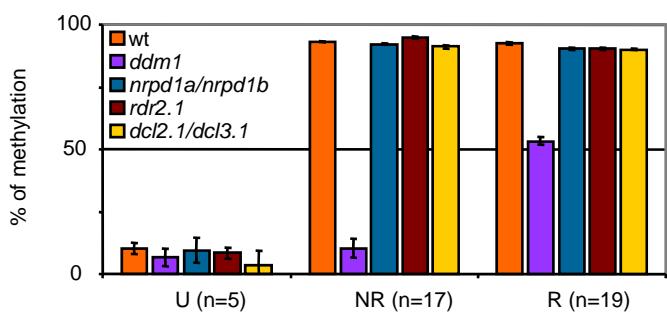
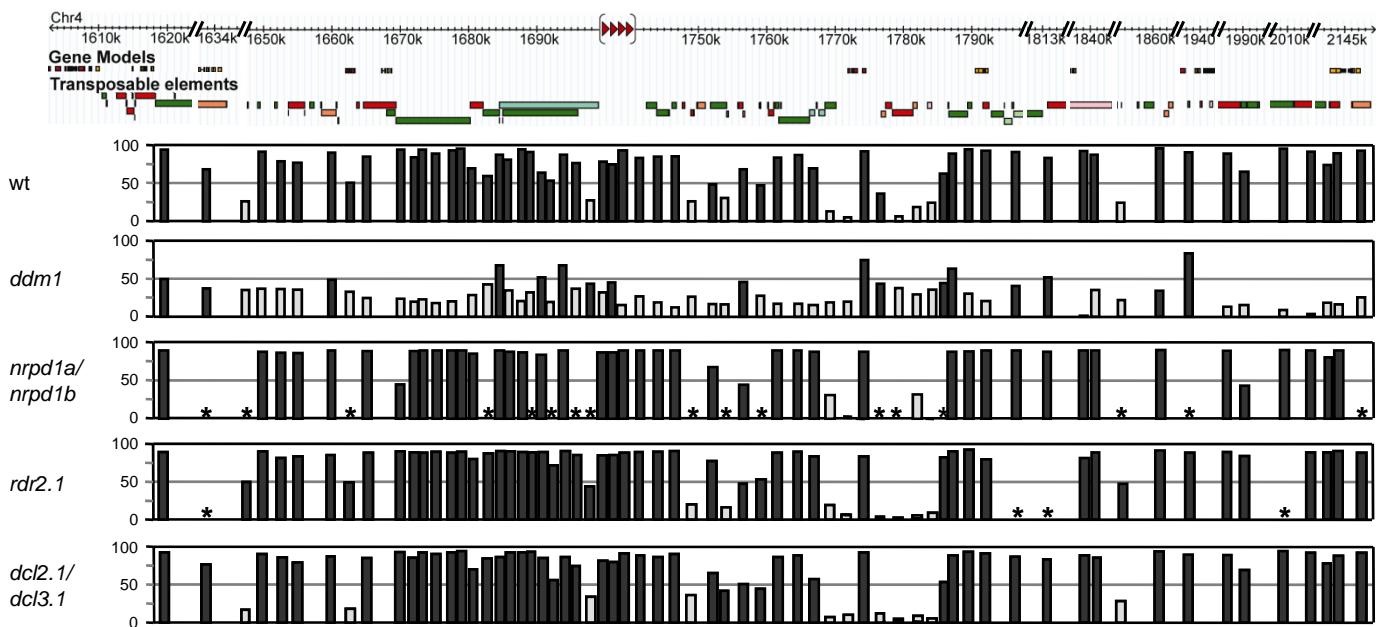
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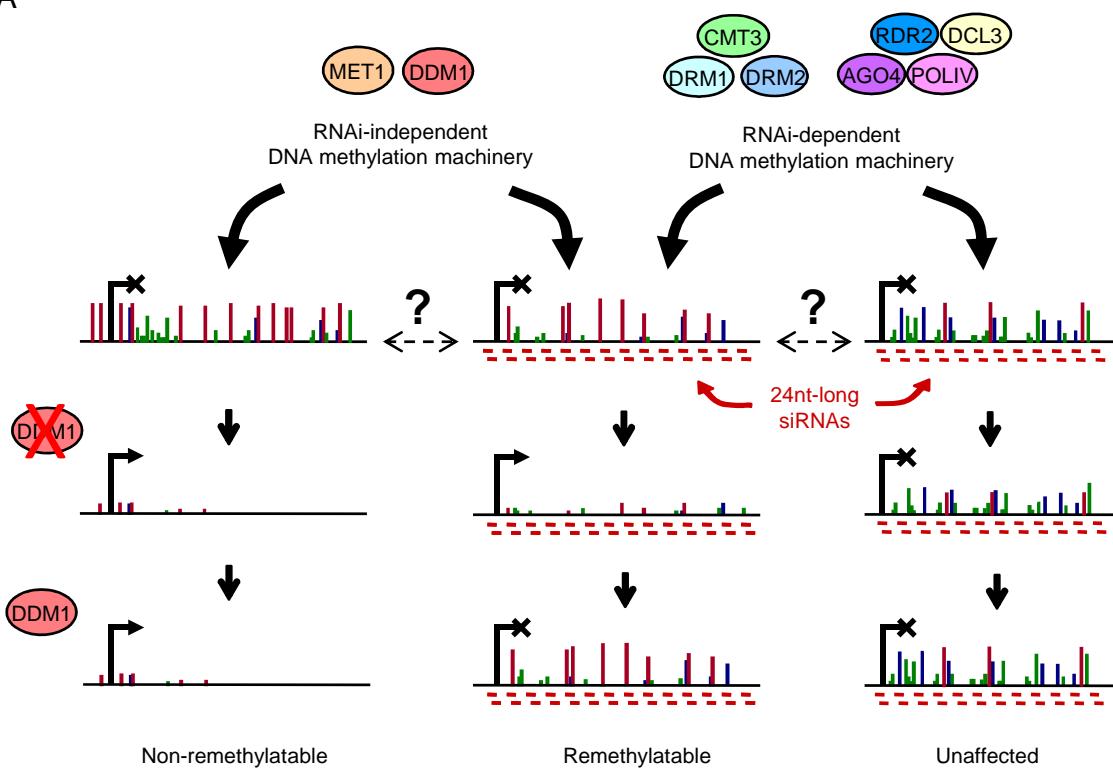


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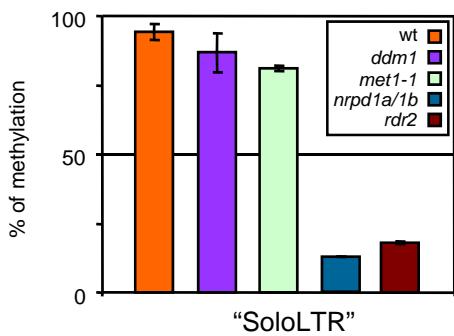


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B



**Fig S1.** Schematic representation of the different genetic crosses performed to investigate remethylation in the progeny of *ddm1* plants with restored DDM1 function. The *ddm1* and wt parents were from the Col accession. Reciprocal crosses were performed between *ddm1* and wt as well as between F1 progeny and wt. F2 plants of *DDM1/DDM1* and *ddm1/DDM1* genotype and obtained through backcrossing (BC1) as well as selfing of F1 parents were selected for DNA methylation analysis. F2 plants of *DDM1/DDM1* genotype were also propagated by selfing for another five generations for DNA methylation analysis. Purple and orange color lines indicate chromosomal segments inherited from *ddm1* and wt, respectively.

**Fig. S2.** McrBC-qPCR analysis of DNA methylation in a single progeny line over successive generations (BC1-S2 [F4] to BC1-S5 [F7]). Representation is as in Fig. 1A of the main text.

**Fig S3.** Segregation analysis of DNA methylation in *DDM1/DDM1* BC1-S3 [F5] and BC1-S7 [F9] lines. **(A)** Results obtained using 20 independent F5 lines and 11 sequences located outside the knob region of chromosome 4. **(B)** Results obtained using an additional 30 independent F9 lines and 13 sequences located within as well as outside the knob. Name and position of probed sequences are indicated at the top. DNA methylation levels were measured by McrBC-qPCR. Black rectangles indicate high, wt methylation, white rectangles indicate either absence of methylation or *ddm1*-induced hypomethylation. Secteded rectangles indicate levels of methylation that are intermediate between that of wt and *ddm1*, suggestive of heterozygosity. Observed values for segregation of methylation states are indicated below each graph, as well as values expected in the case of Mendelian segregation.

**Fig S4.** McrBC-qPCR analysis of DNA methylation in F1 progeny. **(A)** Representation as in Fig. 1A. Stars indicate sequences not analyzed in the F1 progeny. **(B, C)** Average DNA methylation level of 10 non-remethylatable (**B**) and 9 remethylatable (**C**) sequences in wt and *ddm1* seedlings, as well as in leaves, stems and inflorescences of F1 progeny. Averages between wt and *ddm1* are also indicated.

**Fig S5.** Results of bisulfite sequencing for **(A)** two remethylatable (At4g03900 and At4g03740) and **(B)** three non-remethylatable (At4g04165, At4g03770, and At4g03920) sequences located within the heterochromatic knob. Sequence size and position of cytosine sites are indicated at the top of each panel. The percentage of methylation at each cytosine in wt, *ddm1*, three independent *DDM1/DDM1* BC1-S3 [F5] lines, *rdr2.1*, and *nrpd1a/1b* is indicated by vertical bars (red, CG; blue, CHG; green, CHH). The number of clones sequenced is shown in each case.

**Fig S6.** Summary of bisulfite sequencing results obtained for **(A)** 3 remethylatable sequences (At4g03900, At4g03740 and At4g03650) and **(B)** 4 non-remethylatable sequences (At4g04165, At4g03770, At4g03920, and At4g03826). Red, CG; blue, CHG; green, CHH.

**Fig. S7.** Composition and wt DNA methylation of non-remethylatable and remethylatable sequences. **(A)** CG, CHG and CHH composition of 24 non-remethylatable (stippled bars) and 27 remethylatable (solid bars) sequences. **(B)** Percentage of methylation of CG, CHG and CHH sites in wt plants as measured by bisulfite sequencing of 4 non-remethylatable (stippled bars) and 3 remethylatable (solid bars) sequences in wt (for individual results, see fig. S5 and S6). **(C)** Percentage of methylation of CG, CHG and CHH sites in wt plants as measured at 22 non-remethylatable (stippled bars) and 18 remethylatable (solid bars) sequences by mining single-base resolution methylome data (11).

**Fig. S8.** Annotation of small RNA populations and expression analysis of genes involved in RNAi-dependent DNA methylation. **(A)** Annotation of 21-nt and 24-nt RNAs matching the *Arabidopsis* genome in wt and *ddm1*. **(B)** Annotation of 21-nt RNAs matching transposable elements in wt and *ddm1*. **(C)** Genome browser view of a representative ATHILA6 retrotransposon located on chromosome 3 (positions 13646944 to 13658552), with matching small RNAs (blue: 20-21 nt; green: 22-23 nt; red: 24-25 nt). Note that most 21-nt RNAs that accumulate in *ddm1* match the 3' sub-terminal part of the element, which includes the predicted precursor for miR854 (12).

**Fig. S9.** DNA methylation analysis in RNAi mutants. **(A)** McrBC-qPCR analysis. Representation as in Fig. 1A. Stars indicate sequences not analyzed in the different RNAi mutants. **(B)** Summary of McrBC-qPCR data.

**Fig. S10.** **(A)** Model of DNA methylation control over repeat elements in *Arabidopsis*. Percentage of methylation of individual cytosines is indicated by vertical bars of varying height (red: CG; blue: CHG; green: CHH). Sequences are shown as being potentially transcribed upon loss of DNA methylation. For simplicity, progressivity of remethylation over successive generations is not illustrated. This model is an oversimplification, as there is likely a continuum of situations (question marks over double arrows) between the two extremes represented here. **(B)** McrBC-qPCR analysis of “SoloLTR” (13) methylation in wt, *ddm1*, *met1-1*, *nRPD1a/1b*, and *rdr2*.

Name of primer pair	Chr.	Position	Forward Primer	Reverse Primer	Annotation	Sequence type	wt 21nt sRNA* (number of matching reads)	wt 24nt sRNA* (number of matching reads)	dml 21nt sRNA (number of matching reads)	dml 24nt sRNA (number of matching reads)	Density of wt 24-nt sRNA (per kb per 10 <sup>5</sup> 24-nt RNA reads)	Density of dml 24-nt sRNA (per kb per 10 <sup>5</sup> 24-nt RNA reads)
LTRTa3	1	1413649...14137047	TTCGCTCTCAACATTCTAATGAGTT	TAGGGTTCTTAGTGTAGCTGTATGAGTC	(ATCOP1A66)	NR	0	0	0	0	0	0
At2g1022	2	12303...12487	CGAACTGATCCCTTACCCAC	AGCGCATTTGGAGGAGT	AT2G01022 (ATOP1)	R	1	17	21	2,670772447	14,33404346	
Actin2	3	6475949...6476127	GCCATCCAAGCTGTTCTC	CCTCTGATAGTGCACAGT	AT3G18780	U	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUP	3	8242700...8242887	GCGCACATGAATGTCACAG	CTTGTTGAGATGAGAAGGA	AT3G21310	U	0	0	0	0	0	0
At3g32300	3	13252814...13252997	ACGGCTTCAATGTTGTTCTA	TTCTGGAGTCGCGAGGAT	AT3G32300 (ATLANTYS2)	NR	0	0	0	0	0	0
At3g3681	3	15594936...15595124	TCCGAACTTCATGCTCTA	CAACGCCCTCGACATACAA	AT3G3681 (ATLANTYS2)	NR	0	1	0	0	0,474290559	0
At5N1	3	15805624...15805770	AAACGTCATGTCGGCCAGT	CTGAAAGTCAGACCGGAAAG	(Rath3_cons)	R	0	1	0	0	2,504966221	0
At4g32801 (ORF)	4	16214122...1621445	CTGCTTGTGTTGAAAGTTTCTAGT	TGAGCTCTGACATCTTGCTG	AT4G03650 (ATOP1)	R	1	19	21	2,438617826	10,61640969	
At4g35030 (ORF)	4	1648850...1648986	ATTAGAAAGCTGGCCAAACT	AGGAACTCTTCATCCCCAAAGA	AT4G03690 (HELIOTRN2)	R	2	1	0	0	1,259355041	0
LB(65)	4	1633554...1633696	TGFGACTTCTGGCTCTTGT	GCGAACCTCCAAATTCTCAAAG	non-annotated	U	0	0	0	0	0	0
LB(50)	4	1648850...1648985	TGFGACTTCTGGCTCTTGT	GCGAACCTCCAAATTCTCAAAG	non-annotated	U	0	0	0	0	0	0
LB(47,5)	4	1651320...1651487	GGGGTGAACGTTGTCATAAC	GCGCATGTTCTTACGTTGAG	AT4G03726	R	0	8	0	0	13,40009961	0
LB(45)	4	1654018...1654138	TCTCTAGGATTTCTCGCTGCA	GCGCTTGAACCTTGTGAAAGTA	AT4G03730 (ATENSPM2)	R	0	1	6	2,595423334	60,78731733	
LB(42,5)	4	1656372...1665655	AATCAGCGGGCTTCTCGT	TGACATCTATGTTGATCTCGA	non-annotated	R	0	3	0	0	4,713000758	0
LB(37,5)	4	1661412...1661566	TCATGTGCCAACATATTCATG	CGATGTTGCTTCCGACGATT	non-annotated	R	1	5	0	1	12,39194165	9,674374112
LB(35)	4	1663903...1664062	TGACACAAACAGACATACGA	AGTAGGCTCTGGCTGGTGT	(HELIOTRN1C)	NR	0	2	0	0	4,924123322	0
LB(32,5)	4	1666416...1666551	GCGACGACGCTTGTGAAAG	GGGGCTGTGGACCTTGTG	AT4G03745 (ATENSPM2)	NR	0	1	0	0	0,508491102	0
LB(27,5)	4	1673882...1673935	ATTCATGTTGTTCTCTGTCG	CGCTTGTGTTCTCTGTCG	AT4G03760 (ATLANTYS2)	NR	0	0	0	0	0	0
At4g33770 (ORF)	4	1673882...1673971	CGTCGATGCTGAACTGATG	CGCTTGTGTTCTCTGTCG	AT4G03765 (ATLANTYS2)	NR	0	1	0	0	0,15826027	0
LB(25)	4	1673860...1674043	GAGGCCCGAACATCTCTGAT	CGAGAAACGCTTCTGATACG	AT4G03770 (ATLANTYS2)	NR	0	0	0	0	0,174710621	0
LB(22,5)	4	1676428...1676568	GTTGTGTTACACGCGATCTG	TGAGGCTCTGCTCGATGATT	AT4G03770 (ATLANTYS2)	NR	0	6	0	0	4,37124638	0
LB(20)	4	1678837...1679004	GCGGCTTATCTCTGCTCTG	ATTGTTGAACTTCTGAAAC	AT4G03770 (ATLANTYS2)	NR	0	0	0	0	0	0
At4g33770 (PRO)	4	1679370...1679513	GAGAAATCTAACAAAGATCTTC	TGAGATTGCTGTGTTGTTT	(ATLANTYS2)	NR	0	0	0	0	0	0
LB(15)	4	1683804...1683944	GCTCCAGAGGTGTTGTCAGCA	GAAGCTCTAGAGGAGTGTGCT	AT4G03780 (ATHILA3)	M	0	1	0	3	2,525276758	7,275702075
At4g03790 (LIR)	4	1685514...1685755	AACTCTAAGTGGCCACCGGAT	TGGAATTGAGCAGCCAAAGA	(ATHILA2)	R	9	31	8	48	1,618305793	5,527556641
ta2d208	4	1688437...1688644	AACTCTGGAGGGAGGAGGA	CATAGGACGACGCCCTGTG	AT4G03790 (ATHILA2)	R	2	10	315	18	6,668129825	6,4837779019
LB(10)	4	1688923...1689056	TCCCTCGCTGGAGATGATATG	ATGTCGCGCAACTGATGATG	AT4G03790 (ATHILA2)	R	5	12	274	5	4,405156431	2,261713407
LB(7,5)	4	1691711...1691752	CGAGAACTGATGTTGATGCA	ATGTCGCGCAACTGATGATG	AT4G03790 (ATHILA2)	M	0	6	0	3	0,828849512	2,330695692
At4g33790 (ORF)	4	1691926...1692713	ATCGGAAATTGATGACGATG	GGGGCTTATGTTCTGCTGAA	AT4G03790 (ATHILA2)	R	2	2	0	0	0	0
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RB(40)	4	1784473...1784608	TGAGCTCTGGACGATGTC	GGAGTCTCTGGACGATGTC	AT4G03827	U	0	0	0	0	0	0
RB(45)	4	1786490...1786688	CGTCTTGGGGCATATTTGAA	CGTCTTGGGGCATATTTGAA	AT4G03826 (ATHILA2)	M	0	0	0	4	0	1,129292983
At4g03826 (PRO)	4	1787486...1787663	ACAGATTTCTGCTGCTCA	ACCGAACACGAGATCTCTAA	AT4G03826 (ATHILA2)	R	7	11	1	22	1,527170913	2,782534867
RB(47,5)	4	1789783...1789958	CCCCAGCTCTGGAGATGAA	AGAGACACCTGCTGCTTCC	(TAT1_ATH)	NR	1	0	0	0	0	0
RB(50)	4	1792330...1792462	TGCTGAGCTGAGATGCTG	CGAGCGCTAACTTCTGCTG	AT4G03830 (ATCOP1A28)	NR	0	0	0	0	0	0
RB(54)	4	1796611...1796805	TGTTGGGACACAAATGAGAAG	CTCGACGATGCTGCTGCTG	(ATGP2)	NR	3	8	1	3	3,428324846	1,421797635
RB(71)	4	1813024...1813155	AGAGAGGGGGATGATCTAAT	TCACTCGCTGCTGATGCTG	AT4G03870 (ATCOP1A28)	NR	0	3	0	8	0,123724603	0,811834536
At4g03900 (PRO)	4	1838222...1838363	ACGTTGGAGGAAATCGGAGAAA	TGTTGTTGATGATGCTGCTG	(VANDAL2/1, ATENSPM5)	I	0	2	0	0	1,681245885	0
At4g03900 (ORF)	4	1839865...1840024	CGGGCTATGATGATGAGTGT	ACGTCGCGATGATGAGTGT	AT4G03900 (ATENSPM5)	R	0	8	29	7	1,3773161077	6,845676304
At4g03900 (CRD)	4	1840590...1840770	TCAGAGCTGATGATGAGTGT	CGCTGAACTTGGATGATGAGTGT	non-annotated	U	0	0	0	0	0	0
At4g03900 (CRD)	4	1840590...1840698	CTGCGAGCTGATGATGAGTGT	CGAGAGAGCTGATGATGAGTGT	AT4G03900	M	0	4	0	0	8,516161507	0
At4g04040 (PRO)	4	1938485...1938636	CTCTCTTTCCTGCTAATGAA	CGTCTTTCATGCTGCTGCTG	non-annotated	M	0	1	0	3	2,488288683	29,13906024
At4g04140 (CRD)	4	1986726...1986871	TTACATGGAGATGCTGCTG	ATTCACGAACTGCTGCTG	AT4G04140 (VANDAL20)	I	0	0	0	0	0	0
At4g04140 (PRO)	4	1988972...1989241	CGGAGATTTGAGCTGCTG	GAAGACGAACTTCTGCTGCTG	AT4G04140 (VANDAL20)	NR	0	0	0	0	0	0
ta2f10	4	2009141...2009407	CTGAGGCTCATGAGGCTGAT	GGAGACACGATGAGTGTGCTG	AT4G04165 (ATLANTYS2)	NR	0	1	0	0	0,539464434	0
At4g04170 (PRO)	4	2013208...2013379	ACCTCTTCTGCTGCTGCTG	TGAGGACATTAATGCTGCTG	AT4G04170 (ATENSPM2)	NR	0	0	0	0	0	0
At4g04180 (CRD)	4	2141753...2141930	TGGTTTTTGTGCTGCTGCTG	ACGCGCTTGGATGAGTGTGCTG	AT4G04380 (ATHILA2)	NR	0	0	0	0	0	0
At4g04390 (PRO)	4	2142644...2142828	TCCCTTTCTGCTTCTTCTCA	CGCCATCTAACAAACCCAGA	AT4G04390 (VANDAL12)	NR	0	0	0	0	0	0
At4g04390 (ORF)	4	2146697...2146868	CGCTTACCGAACTGCTCAT	CAAGCGACCAAACTGCTCTT	AT4G04390 (VANDAL11)	NR	0	1	0	0	2,423741635	0
At5g13440	5	4308303...4308423	ACAAAGCAATTTGCTGAG	ACAAAGCTGAGTGTGCTG	(ATHILA2)	NR	0	0	0	0	0	0
At5g13440	5	1141427...11414621	CGAGAGGAGGAGGACCGG	CGAGAGGAGGAGGACCGG	(ATHILA2)	R	1	29	5	70	1,176931585	12,44275111
At5g13440	5	12547958...12548058	ACCAAGCGAGTACACCATAT	CATGTTGCTGAGTGTGCTG	AT5G033257 (ATHILA2)	R	11	6	0	2	3,61716014	0,806762553
At5g13440	5	1333809...13338196	TGCTGAGTGTGAGTGTGCTG	CGGAGCTTAGAGGAGCAGAG	AT5G035057 (ATHILA2)	R	11	10	0	273	3,06598741	3,065987409

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Name of primer pair	Sense	Antisense	Product Size (bp)	Sequence type
Bs-ara-At4g03650(ORF)	AGTAAAGATGGTAGAGTTAAAGAAGTAG	ACAACTCATCAATCCTTAACAA	199	R
Bs-ara-At4g03760(ORF)	GGGAGTAAGAGAAAATGTTAAGTTTTT	ACTTTAAAAACAAAACACTTATTTC	237	NR
Bs-ara-LB(47,5)	ATGYTGATTATTATTGAGGTTTG	TCACACTTTCCCAAAAAAAATCT	262	R
Bs-ara-At4g03900(ORF)	TATGATGGAATTATTGAAATTYAGGA	CRACAAACRTTTCTTCTATAATATAA	200	R
Bs-ara-At4g03920(ORF)	GTTGGGGTATGYAGATTGATATAATATG	CCTTACTTCAAATAACATAAAACA	254	NR
Bs-ara-LB(37,5)	GTTTGTGTTGATTATAATTGTTGTA	TTCCAACCAATTATTATCTRAAAA	260	NR
Bs-ara-ta26b10	GATGAAAAATGAAAAAGTTGAATAGGT	AAAAAAAAACAAAAAAACCTC	210	NR

	Chr.	Position and size	Primer sequences
NRPD1a	1	23363737-23363954 218 bp	5' CATTGCCTCCTGACTATTGGA 3' 5' TCCTTCTTGATGAGCCTCTGA 3'
AGO4	2	11547777-11547977 201 bp	5' TTTCTGTGGTGCTTGAGGAA 3'; 5' AGTTTTGGACCGGTTAGGC 3'
At2g36060	2	15149917-15150067 150 bp	5' TGAAGTCGTGAGACAGCGTG 3'; 5' GGGCTTCTCCATTGTTGGTC 3'
NRPD1b	2	16723780-16723989 210 bp	5' TGATGGTTTCAGCACCATGT 3' 5' GCTTCAGCCTTATGCGACTC 3'
DCL2	3	771620-771849 230 bp	5' CTGCAAAATCAAACCTCGGAAG 3'; 5' GTTGGATGCGAGGTCAAATC 3'
DCL3	3	15766880-15767064 185 bp	5' GCAAAACCATCTGTCAGCAG 3' 5' AAGGCACTGCTTTGCTTGT 3'
RDR2	4	6783466-6783656 191 bp	5' GAAGCAGGCCCTCGTCTAATG 3' 5' GCAGTTGAGATCACCCAAG 3'
At4g29130	4	14352280-14352408 128 bp	5' GGCGTTCTGATAGCGAAAA 3'; 5' ATGGATCAGGCATTGGAGCT 3'
At5g13440	5	4308303-4308423 120 bp	5' ACAAGCCAATTTTGCTGAGC 3'; 5' ACAACAGTCCGAGTGTATGGT 3'
SoloLTR	5	9872531-9872826 296 bp	5' TGCTTTCTCTTCTCTCTCTTTTC 3'; 5' AACCGGATAAGTATGGATGTCA 3'

**Table S1.** List of primer pairs used for McrBC-qPCR analysis, sequence annotation and summary of small RNA data. Note that for each of the three primer pairs corresponding to the satellite repeat *ATENSAT1*, (AtenSAT1-3), only one out of 22 matching positions is indicated.

**Table S2.** Raw McrBC-qPCR data. **(A)** Average percentage (a minimum of two measurements) of molecules lost through McrBC digestion. **(B)** Standard deviation.

**Table S3.** List of primer pairs used for sequencing of bisulfite-treated DNA.

**Table S4.** Additional primer pairs used for RT-PCR and McrBC-qPCR analysis.

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