

***AtBXL1* encodes a bifunctional  $\beta$ -D-xylosidase/ $\alpha$ -L-arabinofuranosidase required for pectic arabinan modification in *Arabidopsis thaliana* mucilage secretory cells**

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**SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL**

**FIGURE LEGENDS**

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**Table S1** Quantification of mucilage release of complemented lines of *bxll-1*, plus *bxll-2* and *bxll-3*.

Seeds were shaken in water for 90 min followed by 60 min shaking in 0.01% ruthenium red. The proportion of an individual seed's circumference surrounded by mucilage was then quantified as 100% (seed completely surrounded by mucilage), 75% (3/4 of seed circumference surrounded), 50%, 25% or no mucilage visible. Results are the percent seeds per sample with a particular mucilage category. Vector-only transformed *bxll-1* seeds (pGR0229) are controls for the PTYg *bxll-1* complementation lines (to compare to wild type WS see Table I). Col-0 is the wild-type background for *bxll-2* and *bxll-3*. Complemented lines were stained in one experiment, while Col-0 wild type and allele samples were stained in separate experiment.

Line	Percent of seed surrounded by mucilage capsule of specified size					Total # seeds
	100%	75%	50%	25%	No mucilage	
PTYg in <i>bxll-1</i> #1	93.0	2.1	2.1	2.8	0	142
PTYg in <i>bxll-1</i> #2	100	0	0	0	0	122
PTYg in <i>bxll-1</i> #3	91.4	6.6	1.3	0.7	0	151
pGR0229 in <i>bxll-1</i> #1	4.4	15.8	36.8	35.1	7.9	114
pGR0229 in <i>bxll-1</i> #2	7.5	12.8	31.6	34.6	13.5	133
Col-0	79.2	3.8	5.7	5.7	5.7	53
<i>bxll-2</i>	9.5	29.7	40.5	14.9	5.4	74
<i>bxll-3</i>	6.5	5.2	33.8	50.6	3.9	77

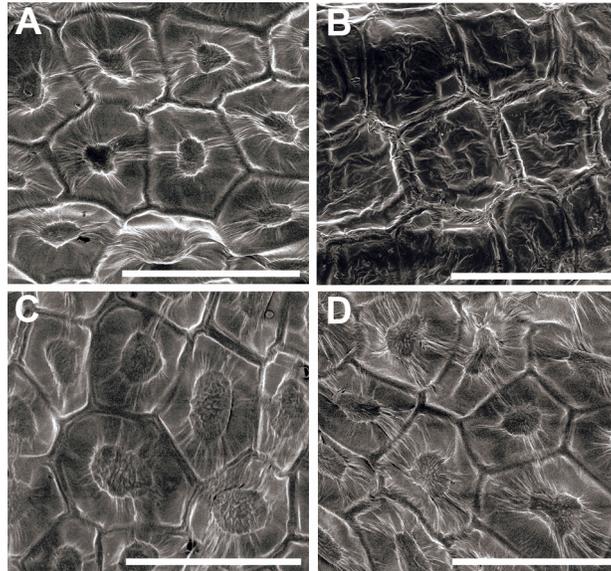
**Table S2** Monosaccharide quantitation of *bx11-1* versus wild type seedlings.

Samples were alcohol insoluble residue prepared from seedlings 12 days after germination that were hydrolyzed with trifluoroacetic acid and derivatized to alditol acetates. Results are average  $\mu\text{g}$  sugar plus standard error per 100 mg fresh tissue calculated from three independent samples

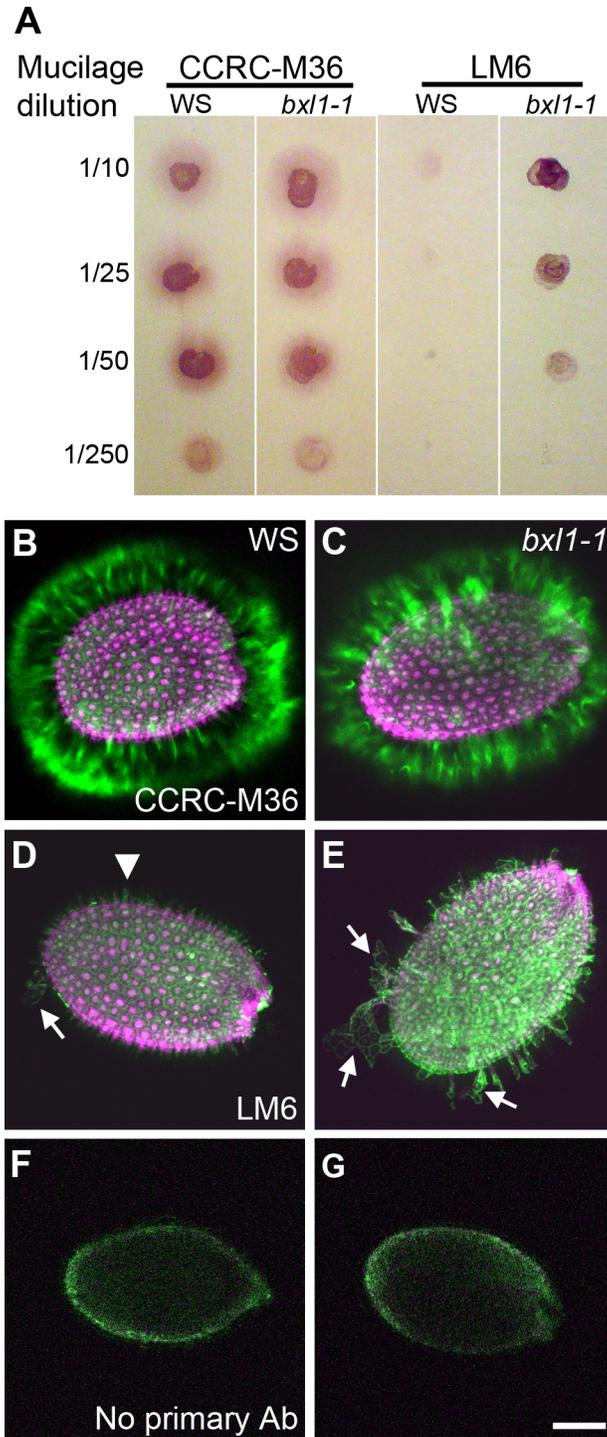
<b>Sugar</b>	<b>WS</b>	<b><i>bx11-1</i></b>
<b>Rha</b>	9.3 $\pm$ 0.4	8.4 $\pm$ 0.8
<b>Fuc</b>	2.6 $\pm$ 0.1	2.3 $\pm$ 0.1
<b>Ara</b>	18.9 $\pm$ 1.1	21.6 $\pm$ 1.6
<b>Xyl</b>	18.0 $\pm$ 0.6	18.4 $\pm$ 1.6
<b>Man</b>	3.3 $\pm$ 0.2	2.7 $\pm$ 0.3
<b>Gal</b>	14.6 $\pm$ 1.1	12.9 $\pm$ 1.1
<b>Glc</b>	5.7 $\pm$ 0.3	4.9 $\pm$ 0.4
<b>Total</b>	72.4 $\pm$ 3.8	71.2 $\pm$ 4.0

**Table S3** Primers used for RT-PCR, real-time PCR and genotyping of double mutants.

<b>Gene</b>	<b>Primer Pair</b>	<b>Sequence</b>
<i>AtBXL1</i>	At5g49360 p3/p4	ACTAGCACTCCGGAAGAAGC CAATCCTTTCTTCACTGCACCT
	At5g49360 p8/p11	ACGCCATTCCATTATCAAG GGTCCAGGCGCTAAGTTCGG
	At5g49360 p15/p16	TGGTGGACCAATCGATGTAA ATTACCGGATGCTCTCATGG
<i>GAPC</i>	GAPC p1/p2	TCAGACTCGAGAAAGCTGCTAC GATCAAGTCGACCACACGG
	RT GAPC p5/p6	GACAGATTTGGAATTGTTGAGG GGCCCATCAACAGTCTTCTG
<i>AtBXL2</i>	BXL2 p1/p2	AGGAAACTCCCGGTGAAGAT ATACGGAACGGTACGTCGAA
<i>MYB61</i>	MYB61 p1/p2	TTTGCAGAGATGTGGGAAGA GCCATTGTCTGAAGAAATTTGA
	DSPM11	GGTGCAGCAAAACCCACACTTTTACTTC
<i>MUM4</i>	At1g53500 p1/p8	TTGCAGATTTCAAGGATGGA CATGGTTTCCTACAGCAGCA



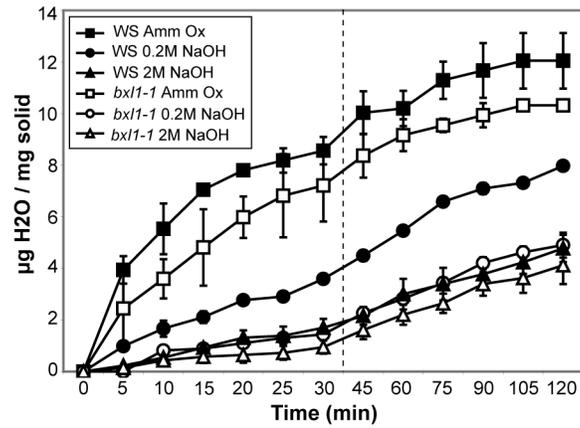
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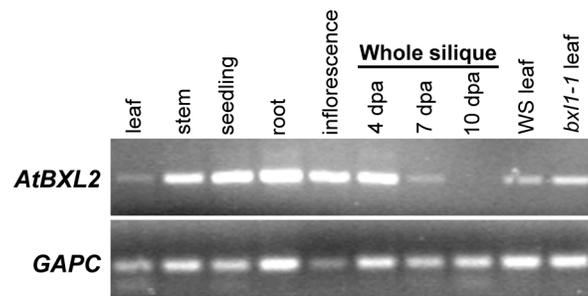
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