

1 A genotype independent *DMP*-HI system in dicot crops

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24 **ABSTRACT**

25 Doubled haploid (DH) technology is used to obtain homozygous lines in a single
26 generation, which significantly accelerates the crop breeding trajectory. Traditionally,
27 *in vitro* culture is used to generate DHs, but is limited by species and genotype
28 recalcitrance. *In vivo* haploid induction (HI) through seed is been widely and efficiently
29 used in maize and was recently extended to several monocot crops. However, a similar
30 generic and efficient HI system is still lacking in dicot crops. Here we show that
31 genotype-independent *in vivo* HI can be triggered by mutation of *DMP* genes in tomato,
32 rapeseed and tobacco with HI rates of ~1.9%, 2.4% and 1.2%, respectively. The *DMP*-
33 HI system offers a robust DH technology to facilitate variety improvement in these
34 crops. The success of this approach and the conservation of *DMP* genes paves the way
35 for a generic and efficient genotype-independent HI system in other dicot crops.

36 **Key words:** doubled haploid technology, maternal haploid induction, genotype
37 independent, dicot crops.

38 INTRODUCTION

39 The rapid development of high yield and quality crop varieties is essential to ensure
40 world-wide food and commodity security. One of the most important aspects of crop
41 breeding is the development of homozygous lines. Homozygous lines can be developed
42 by repeated rounds of selfing or backcrossing, usually four to six generations depending
43 on the desired level of homozygosity, which is a costly and time-consuming process
44 (Heusden and Lindhout, 2018). Alternatively, homozygous lines can also be obtained
45 in a single generation by using DH technology (Jacquier et al., 2020). Haploid embryos
46 can be induced *in vitro* from cells of the male or female gametophyte or *in vivo* in seeds
47 by interspecific crosses or by intraspecific crosses with haploid inducer lines
48 (Kalinowska et al., 2019; Lv et al., 2020; Wang et al., 2021). Of these methods, *in vivo*
49 HI triggered by inducer lines is the most efficient approach, but it is currently limited
50 to few monocot crops. Although HI systems have been reported for some dicot crops,
51 unlike monocot crops, these systems are either inefficient or have not been extended to
52 other dicot crops (Hougas and Peloquin, 1957; Hougas et al., 1958; Fu et al., 2018;
53 Jacquier et al., 2020; Hooghvorst and Nogués, 2020a). Dicots account for the majority
54 of the angiosperm species, including many economically important vegetable, fruit,
55 seed and industrial crops like tomato (*Solanum lycopersicum*), chili pepper (*Capsicum*
56 *annuum*), cucumber (*Cucumis sativus*), rapeseed (*Brassica napus*), soybean (*Glycine*
57 *max*), cotton (*Gossypium hirsutum*) and tobacco (*Nicotiana tabacum*). However, many
58 important dicot crops are completely recalcitrant for haploid induction, e.g., tomato and
59 cotton, while almost all crops have recalcitrant genotypes (Jacquier et al., 2020;
60 Hooghvorst and Nogués, 2020a; Hooghvorst and Nogués, 2020b). The lack of suitable
61 HI systems for many dicot crops means that the slower and more costly classical
62 breeding approach is still required in the development of homozygous lines.

63 Significant breakthroughs in DH production have been made in the last few years
64 through the identification of genes that induce maternal haploid embryos *in vivo* in
65 maize. Maternal HI systems rely on pollination by specific male inducer lines that
66 stimulate the haploid egg cell to develop into an embryo that lacks the parental
67 chromosome component (Hougas and Peloquin, 1957; Hougas et al., 1958; Hussain
68 and Franks, 2019; Jacquier et al., 2020). Naturally occurring HI lines have been used
69 extensively in maize breeding programs since the 1950s (Coe, 1959), and this trait was
70 rapidly engineered in a number of monocot crops after identification of the
71 *ZmPHOSPHOLIPASE-A1/MATRILINEAL/NOT LIKE DAD* (*ZmPLA1/MTL/NLD*) HI
72 gene (Kelliher et al., 2017; Liu et al., 2017; Gilles et al., 2017; Yao et al., 2018; Zhong
73 et al., 2019; Liu et al., 2019; Liu et al., 2020).

74 *ZmPLA1/MTL/NLD* genes have only been identified in monocots (Kelliher et al., 2017;
75 Yao et al., 2018; Liu et al., 2019), while genes related to a second maize HI gene, *Zea*
76 *may DOMAIN OF UNKNOWN FUNCTION 679 membrane protein (ZmDMP)*, have
77 been identified in both monocots and dicots (Zhong et al., 2020). The utility of *dmp*
78 mutants for HI in dicots was recently demonstrated in the model plant *Arabidopsis*
79 (*Arabidopsis thaliana*) (Zhong et al., 2020), but it is not known whether this approach
80 can be translated to dicot crops. Here, we developed a method to identify candidate
81 *DMP* genes for HI in crops and demonstrate *DMP*-mediated maternal HI in three major
82 dicot crops with different ploidy levels and from two different plant families, tomato,
83 rapeseed and tobacco. This breakthrough, together with genotype independent HI in
84 tomato, provides proof-of-concept for the development of a universal *DMP*-HI system
85 in dicot crops.

86 **RESULTS**

87 ***DMP* genes in dicot crops**

88 Our previous results identified *ZmDMP* orthologues in multiple species, but with an
89 average amino acid sequence identity of 66%. Moreover 42% of dicots contain multiple
90 *DMP* gene copies as a result of genome duplication and/or interspecific hybridization
91 (Zhong et al., 2020). The relatively low sequence identity and the presence of multiple
92 gene copies makes it difficult to accurately identify *ZmDMP* orthologues for the
93 development of a *DMP*-HI system in dicot crops. To this end, *DMP* proteins from seven
94 dicot crops with the highest amino acid sequence identity with *ZmDMP* were each used
95 as a query to search the corresponding genome database of each crop. *DMP* genes
96 with >50% amino acid identity were selected for expression analysis using public
97 transcriptome databases. We identified: up to four *DMP* genes in rapeseed (*B. napus*)
98 (*BnDMP1A/BnaA03g55920D*; *BnDMP1C/BnaC03g03890D*;
99 *BnDMP2A/BnaA04g09480D*; *BnDMP2C/BnaC04g31700D*) that are all highly
100 expressed in anthers and flower buds; a single *DMP* gene in tomato (*Solanum*
101 *lycopersicon*) (*SlDMP/Solyc05g007920*) that is highly expressed in pollen and flower
102 buds (Zhong et al., 2020); a single *DMP* gene in chili pepper (*Capsicum annuum*)
103 (*CaDMP/Capana04g002148*) that is highly expressed in closed flower bud and open
104 flower; two cotton (*Gossypium hirsutum*) *DMP* genes (*GhDMP1/LOC107911807*;
105 *GhDMP2/LOC107924398*) that are expressed in the stamen; two soybean (*Glycine max*)
106 *DMP* genes (*GmDMP1/GLYMA_18G097400*; *GmDMP2/GLYMA_18G098300*)
107 expressed in flower bud; and a single cucumber (*Cucumis sativus*) *DMP* gene
108 (*CsDMP/Csa_1G267250*) that is expressed in male flower bud (Supplemental Table 1).
109 Expression data was not available for tobacco (*Nicotiana tabacum*), which contained
110 three *DMP* genes (*NtDMP1/LOC107762412*; *NtDMP2/LOC107783066*;

111 *NtDMP3/LOC107807404*). Like DMP proteins in maize and arabidopsis (Takahashi et
112 al., 2018; Cyprys et al., 2019; Zhong et al., 2019; Zhong et al., 2020), all of the above
113 DMP proteins have a DUF679 domain and multiple transmembrane (TM) helices
114 (Supplemental Table 1). Alignment of these DMP proteins showed that the entire
115 DUF679 domain (>56% identity) and especially the first predicted transmembrane
116 helices (>80% identity) are conserved among these species (Supplemental Figure 1 and
117 Supplemental Table 2).

118 Next, a complementation strategy was used to determine whether these candidate *DMP*
119 genes have potential HI functions, as measured by their ability to rescue the reduced
120 seed set phenotype of the arabidopsis *dmp8dmp9* HI mutant. To this end, eight of the
121 above *DMP* genes were expressed with the *AtDMP9* promoter in the *dmp8dmp9*
122 background, and seed setting evaluated in T₁ plants. All of the eight genes significantly
123 increased the seed set of the arabidopsis *dmp8dmp9* mutant (Figure 1), indicating that
124 these *DMP* genes can complement *AtDMP8* and *AtDMP9* functions during double
125 fertilization (Takahashi et al., 2018; Cyprys et al., 2019; Zhong et al., 2020), and could
126 be used to develop a HI system in these dicots. Tomato, rapeseed and tobacco have
127 well-established genetic transformation systems and are relatively easy to hybridize,
128 which led us to explore the possibility of developing *DMP*-HI systems in these three
129 crops.

130 **Haploid seed induction, identification, and DH production in tomato**

131 A CRISPR-Cas9 mutagenesis construct was designed to generate *dmp* loss-of-function
132 mutants in the three tomato cultivars (Figure 2A). The construct also includes the
133 FAST-Red marker for haploid identification (Zhong et al., 2020). Mutants with
134 insertions and/or deletions that resulted in translational frame shifts and premature stop
135 codons were found in the T₀ generation of the Ailsa Craig, Micro-Tom and Moneyberg
136 genotypes (Supplemental Table 3). Homozygous or biallelic *sldmp* mutants were
137 chosen for subsequent experiments (Figure 2B). Pleiotropic seed phenotypes were
138 observed in self-pollinated fruits from these *sldmp* mutants (Figure 2C-2E and
139 Supplemental Figure 2 and Supplemental Figure 3A-3C and Supplemental Figure 4A-
140 4C). Compared to wild type plants, the number of filled seeds was significantly reduced
141 (Figure 2D and Supplemental Figure 3B and Supplemental Figure 4B). and the
142 percentage of both aborted seeds and undeveloped ovules significantly increased
143 (Figure 2E and Supplemental Figure 3C and Supplemental Figure 4C) in *sldmp* mutants.
144 Reciprocal crosses between wild type and the Ailsa Craig *dmp* mutant and analysis of
145 pollen germination showed that the abnormal seed phenotypes are due to a paternal
146 (pollen) fertilization defect (Supplemental Figure 5), as previously shown for
147 arabidopsis (Takahashi et al., 2018; Cyprys et al., 2019).

148 To determine whether *sldmp* mutants can induce haploids upon selfing, we sowed
149 selfed seeds from T₁ progenies of *sldmp* mutants in the Ailsa Craig background. In the
150 absence of segregating molecular markers, we first identified putative haploid plants
151 based on their phenotype, i.e. smaller organs and sterility (Ravi and Chan, 2010; Zhong
152 et al., 2019; Zhong et al., 2020). Among 55 T₁ plants, one plant (1.8%), which was
153 relatively shorter and bushier than the wild-type control (Figure 2F), showed the typical
154 haploid phenotype (Figure 2G-2J). This plant was subsequently confirmed by ploidy
155 analysis to be a true haploid (Figure 2K). Given the low frequency of spontaneous
156 haploid seedling production in tomato (from 9×10^{-5} to 4×10^{-4}) (Cook, 1936;
157 Koornneef et al., 1989; Hamza et al., 1993), our data suggests that mutation of the
158 tomato pollen-expressed *DMP* gene facilitates *in vivo* haploid embryo development.

159 Next, we crossed a range of wild-type female plants (Supplemental Table 4) from
160 different genetic backgrounds with *sldmp* mutants in the Ailsa Craig, Micro-Tom and
161 Moneyberg backgrounds to determine whether *sldmp* pollen can also induce maternal
162 haploids upon outcrossing. All crosses showed the reduced seed set and abnormal
163 ovule/seed phenotypes observed in the wild-type \times *sldmp* crosses (Figure 3A-3C and
164 Supplemental Figure 2 and Supplemental Figure 3D-3F and Supplemental Figure 4D-
165 4F). Nineteen haploids derived from eight different backgrounds were first screened by
166 molecular markers and then confirmed by flow cytometry and plant phenotype
167 (Supplemental Figure 3G-3I and Supplemental Figure 4G-4I and Supplemental Table
168 5). To further confirm the maternal origin of these haploids, three of these haploid
169 seedlings were used for whole-genome resequencing. Chromosome dosage and single
170 nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) analysis showed that none of the seedlings was
171 aneuploid or carried paternally-derived SNPs, suggesting that *sldmp* induces ‘clean’
172 maternal haploids i.e. haploids lacking any paternal genome fragments (Supplemental
173 Figure 6 and Supplemental Table 6). These results confirmed that *sldmp* mutants in one
174 genotype can be used for clean maternal haploid induction in the same or a different
175 genotype.

176 The arabidopsis Fast-Red marker has been used as a simple and efficient method to
177 facilitate high throughput identification of haploids from *dmp* crosses (Zhong et al.,
178 2020). To this end, Fast-Red marker expression was evaluated in wild-type seeds and
179 seeds from two selfed *sldmp* mutant lines carrying the homozygous Fast-Red marker.
180 Red/RFP-positive seeds were observed among the imbibed *sldmp* seeds under white
181 light/fluorescent light, but only white/RFP-negative seeds were observed among the
182 imbibed wild-type seeds (Supplemental Figure 7A). Next we separated the *sldmp* and
183 wild-type seeds into the embryo, endosperm and seed coat components. *sldmp* embryos
184 and endosperm were red/RFP-positive under white/fluorescent light, with the

185 endosperm showing a weaker red color/RFP expression than the embryo, while none
186 of the wild-type seed components were red/showed RFP expression (Supplemental
187 Figure 7B). In line with our observations in imbibed seeds, red color/RFP were also
188 observed under white light/fluorescent light in root tips of *sldmp* embryos during
189 germination, but not in the root tips of the germinating wild-type embryos
190 (Supplemental Figure 7C). These data show that the FAST-Red reporter is reliably
191 expressed in the embryo and endosperm of tomato seeds.

192 To determine whether the Fast-Red marker can be used to identify tomato haploids in
193 *dmp* crosses, we analyzed Fast-Red expression in seeds from a cross between a female
194 wild-type DF199 line and a male *dmp* Ailsa Craig line. Imbibed seeds were first
195 classified into red and white seed groups based on their color under white light (Figure
196 3, D and E). Under fluorescent light, the red seeds showed weak RFP expression in the
197 endosperm and strong RFP expression in the embryo, while the majority of the white
198 seeds also showed weak RFP expression in the endosperm but lacked RFP expression
199 in the embryo (Figure 3D and 3E and Supplemental Figure 8). Some of the seeds that
200 were initially scored as white under white light showed RFP expression in the embryo
201 and endosperm under florescent light and were recategorized as red/RFP-expressing
202 seeds. These two groups were further confirmed by checking root tip RFP expression
203 during germination (Figure 3D and 3F). The red seeds with RFP expression in the
204 embryo and endosperm were considered to carry diploid embryos, while the white seeds
205 with weak RFP in the endosperm and no RFP expression in the embryo were considered
206 to have maternal haploid embryos that developed spontaneously in the absence of
207 fertilization or without the paternal chromosome component. To test this hypothesis,
208 we sowed 218 putative haploid seeds that only showed weak RFP expression in the
209 endosperm and 2303 putative diploid seeds that showed strong RFP expression in both
210 the embryo and endosperm and confirmed their ploidy by molecular marker and ploidy
211 analysis at the seedling stage (Figure 3G and 3H). We showed that all of the putative
212 haploids were true haploids, and that all of the putative diploids were true diploids i.e.,
213 that there were no false positives or false negatives in the two seed groups
214 (Supplemental Table 7). The FAST-Red selection procedure outlined above can
215 therefore be used with 100% accuracy for identification of maternal haploids in tomato.

216 Next, we used the Fast-Red marker for haploid seed selection in crosses between
217 diverse female tomato genotypes (Supplemental Table 4) and male *sldmp* FAST-Red
218 lines. FAST-Red expression was stable among multiple female backgrounds after
219 outcrossing with *sldmp* FAST-Red lines in the Ailsa Craig background (Supplemental
220 Figure 9). The haploid induction rate (HIR) after crossing 36 different female genotypes
221 with the *sldmp* inducer lines ranged from 0.5% to 3.7%, with an average HIR of 1.9%

222 (Table 1). These data together with haploid induction in an additional six crosses
223 (Supplemental Table 5) indicate that *sldmp* mutants in a given genotype can be used for
224 efficient maternal haploid induction in the same or different genotype.

225 Haploid plants are sterile and must undergo chromosome doubling to develop into
226 fertile plants. Chromosome doubling is usually induced chemically, but spontaneous
227 doubling of haploid embryos *in vitro* is also commonly observed (Seguí-
228 Simarro and Nuez, 2008). Surprisingly, spontaneous diploidization was also observed
229 *in vivo* in *dmp*-induced tomato haploid plants, as evidenced by the production of viable
230 pollen and seed-bearing fruits (Supplemental Figure 10). All nine haploid plants
231 produced viable pollen, of which seven (78%) produced fruits and three (33%)
232 eventually produced viable seeds (Supplemental Table 8). Tomato haploid plants can
233 be easily propagated using cuttings from the parent plant (Supplemental Figure 11) and
234 might be used to generate a higher proportion of spontaneous DH plants. After treating
235 cuttings with the chemical doubling agent colchicine, three out of seven haploid plants
236 successfully converted into DH plants with diploid cells and a high percentage (62%)
237 of viable pollen (Supplemental Figure 12). Overall, we established a tomato DH
238 breeding method including *DMP*-HI, FAST-Red based haploid identification and
239 chromosome doubling.

240 ***DMP*-HI systems for dicot polyploid crops**

241 To determine whether the *DMP*-HI system could be used in polyploid dicots crops, we
242 evaluated the system in rapeseed (cv. Westar) and tobacco (cv. K326), both of which
243 are amphidiploids. We found that one of the possible four *BnDMP* genes, *BnDMP1C*,
244 was lost from the Westar genome, which was confirmed by a BLAST search (Song et
245 al., 2020). Knock-out mutants of the three *DMP* genes in rapeseed (Figure 4A and 4B
246 and Supplemental Table 3) and tobacco were obtained using CRISPR-Cas9 mediated
247 mutagenesis (Figure 5A and 5B and Supplemental Table 3). We first determined the
248 seed setting rate in *B. napus* selfing and crossing progenies. Compared with wild type,
249 the number of filled seeds and the percentage seed set was significantly reduced in
250 *bndmp* triple mutants (Figure 4C and 4D). Seed setting rate was not evaluated in
251 tobacco.

252 Next, we further verified the HI ability of the *bndmp* and *ntdmp* mutants. First, selfed
253 progenies of *bndmp* and *ntdmp* mutants were screened for putative haploids based on
254 their phenotypes. One of 97 T₁ *bndmp* triple mutant plants (1.0%) and nine plants of
255 1,111 T₁ *ntdmp* triple mutant plants (0.8%) showed the typical haploid phenotype
256 (Table 2 and Table 3 and Supplemental Figure 13 and Supplemental Figure 14). These
257 putative haploid plants were subsequently confirmed to be true haploids by ploidy

258 analysis, suggesting that *bndmp* and *ntdmp* loss-of-function mutant can induce
259 haploids in selfed progenies.

260 Then, crosses between the cytoplasmic male sterile lines Hau-A and *pol* CMS with
261 *bndmp* mutants and between cultivars K326 and Yan97 with *ntdmp* mutants were made
262 to determine whether *dmp* mutations can induce maternal haploids when used as the
263 male parent. Unlike tomato, both rapeseed and tobacco only showed weak FAST-Red
264 expression in imbibed seeds (Figure 4E), which made it difficult to identify haploid
265 embryos at this stage. Therefore, all crossed progenies were germinated in water and
266 the embryos assayed for RFP expression. The FAST-Red marker was not expressed in
267 germinating embryos from the *ntdmp* mutant crosses (data not shown), but was
268 expressed in cotyledons of germinated embryos from the *bndmp* mutant crosses (Figure
269 4F). Therefore, rapeseed putative haploids were first screened with Fast-Red marker
270 and then further evaluated by molecular marker analysis (Figure 4G), while tobacco
271 putative haploids were screened with molecular markers (Figure 5C). Putative haploid
272 plants were subsequently confirmed by ploidy analysis and plant phenotype (Figure 4,
273 H and I and Figure 5D-5F and Supplemental Figure 13 and Supplemental Figure 14).
274 Overall, we found that crossing with *dmp* mutants induces a HIR of 1.1% to 3.9% in *B.*
275 *napus* (Table 2) and a HIR of 0.8% to 1.6% in tobacco (Table 3).

276 **DISCUSSION**

277 Our study demonstrates for the first time that *dmp* mutants induce *in vivo* maternal
278 haploids in multiple dicot crops. More importantly, we also show that *dmp* mutation
279 can be used for haploid induction in a wide range of genotypes: *dmp* mutations in three
280 tomato genotypes were used to obtain haploids in 39 different female genotypes that
281 differ in their genetic backgrounds, including both determinate and indeterminate
282 growth types, as well as fruit types that differ in color, shape and size (Supplemental
283 Table 4). Our data therefore suggest that a single *dmp* mutant line can be used to
284 develop a genotype-independent DH technology in dicot crops.

285 Identification of the correct *ZmDMP* (co)ortholog for HI can be challenging due to low
286 sequence identity and/or the presence of multigene families. In this study, we show that
287 candidate *DMP* genes can be initially selected based on their sequence identity and by
288 their pollen/flower expression pattern, and then verified in a complementation strategy
289 in arabidopsis. Although we did not assess *DMP*-HI in chili pepper, cotton, soybean
290 and cucumber, our success in developing a *DMP*-HI system in tomato, rapeseed and
291 tobacco suggests that this bioinformatics approach can be used to identify candidate
292 *DMP* genes for the development of HI systems in other dicots.

293 Given the presence of conserved *DMP* genes in dicot species (Zhong et al., 2020), and
294 our success in inducing haploids in tomato, rapeseed and tobacco, it is likely that *DMP*
295 mutation can be applied easily to generate *in vivo* haploid inducers in other dicot crops.
296 Most commercial varieties of self-compatible vegetable crops are F₁ hybrids. For many
297 crops, up to 100% of a professional company's seed portfolio can comprise F₁ hybrids.
298 F₁ hybrid production requires the development of near homozygous parent lines, which can be greatly accelerated
299 using DH technology, but often no widely-applicable *in vitro* or *in vivo* DH protocols are
300 available, as is the case for tomato (Jacquier et al., 2020; Hooghorst and Nogués,
301 2020a). In addition to self-compatible crops, the *DMP*-HI system might useful to induce
302 maternal haploids via outcrossing for self-incompatible species like tetraploid potato
303 (Ye et al., 2018), for which it is difficult to produce inbred lines for breeding. Moreover,
304 *DMP* genes can also be found in fruit and forest trees species, like apple (*Malus*
305 *domestica*), sweet cherry (*Prunus avium*) and rubber tree (*Hevea brasiliensis*), which
306 take many years to reach the reproductive stage and for which homozygous line
307 production is a lengthy process. *DMP*-HI systems can also be developed in non-
308 transformable crops by using chemical/radiation mutagenesis to generate *dmp* mutants.
309 Development of a genotype-independent *DMP*-HI system to other dicot crops would
310 therefore represent a major advance over *in vitro* haploid production, where individual
311 protocols must be developed for every species and genotype. This is especially true for
312 members of the Solanaceae, Fabaceae, and Cucurbitaceae where recalcitrance for DH
313 production is a major bottleneck for efficient breeding (Hooghorst and Nogués, 2020a).

314 The FAST-Red marker facilitated efficient identification of maternal haploids in tomato.
315 However, other than in arabidopsis (Zhong et al., 2020) and tomato, FAST-Red was
316 not observed in rapeseed seeds, which might be due to the thick and darker seed coat
317 of rapeseed, but could be observed in germinating embryos. Given that the same marker
318 was only weakly expressed in tobacco seeds, either a more highly expressed late seed
319 promoter or other visible markers, e.g., RUBY system (He et al., 2020), could be
320 evaluated in future study to set robust haploid identification system. Alternatively,
321 haploids can be selected based on the absence of paternal morphological or molecular
322 markers.

323 We observed that the HIR in tomato is influenced by the female genotype (Table 1), as
324 reported previously in maize (Prigge et al., 2011; Wu et al., 2014). This implies that
325 beside novel paternal enhancers, novel maternal enhancers can also be identified and
326 used in combination with *DMP* mutation to develop even more robust *in vivo* HI
327 protocols. Given the universality of the *DMP*-HI system, enhancer screens for improved
328 HIR could be carried out in any one crop, and newly identified enhancer genes
329 implemented in other crops.

330 **METHODS**

331 **Identify *DMP* genes in dicot crops**

332 The full-length amino acid sequence of ZmDMP was first used for a BLASTP search
333 (<https://blast.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Blast.cgi>) to identify the *DMP* gene with the highest
334 identity for each crop. Then, these *DMP* genes were used as query to search the
335 corresponding genome database of each crop and the *DMP* genes with >50% amino
336 acid identity were selected for further analysis. Domain and transmembrane helices
337 prediction was performed using the Pfam database (<http://pfam.xfam.org>) and
338 TMHMM - 2.0 (<https://services.healthtech.dtu.dk/service.php?TMHMM-2.0>),
339 respectively. Expression patterns of *DMP* genes were obtained from published data
340 (Qin et al., 2014; Zhong et al., 2020) and public databases
341 (<https://biodb.swu.edu.cn/brassica/home> and <http://cucurbitgenomics.org/>). The full-
342 length amino acid sequences of *DMP* genes were aligned with MUSCLE embedded in
343 SnapGene software (from Insightful Science; available at snapgene.com). Detailed
344 information on the *DMP* genes is provided in Supplemental Table 1.

345 **Vector construction**

346 Primers used to amplify and sequence the *DMP* alleles were designed based on the
347 *DMP* gene sequences downloaded from Gramene or NCBI. For rapeseed and tomato,
348 all gRNAs were driven by the *U6-26* promoter. *NPTII* driven by the *nopaline synthase*
349 (*Nos*) promoter from *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* and *35S:GFP* were used for transgene
350 selection during transformation, and, FAST-Red was used for identification of haploid
351 seeds. These cassettes, together with human codon-optimized Cas9 driven by *35S*
352 promoter, were introduced simultaneously in one step into pISCL4723 through the
353 Golden Gate cloning method (Wang et al., 2019). To generate the CRISPR/Cas9
354 mutagenesis construct for tobacco *DMP* genes, the FAST-Red cassette was first
355 amplified with FAST-Red-F/R primers and ligated into KpnI-linearized
356 pDIRECT_22C to yield pDIRECT_22C_FastR using the Seamless Assembly Cloning
357 Kit (C5891–25, Clone Smarter). Four gRNAs separated by 20-bp Csy4-binding sites
358 were introduced simultaneously in one step into pDIRECT_22C_FastR with a
359 previously reported protocol (Čermák et al., 2017). For *DMP* gene complementation
360 constructs, CDS sequences of each *DMP* gene from different crops were cloned and
361 driven by the *AtDMP9* promoter (1836 bp upstream of the ATG start codon). FAST-
362 Red and *35S:RUBY* (He et al., 2020) were used for transgenic seed selection. These
363 cassettes were introduced simultaneously in one step into pISCL4723 through the
364 Golden Gate cloning. The primers used for vector construction are listed in
365 Supplemental Table 9.

366 **Plant materials**

367 The spring-type rapeseed cultivar Westar, a tobacco cultivar K326 and three tomato
368 cultivars (Ailsa Craig, Micro-Tom and Moneyberg) were used as receptor lines to
369 knock out *DMP* genes. Two male sterile lines of rapeseed (Hau-A and *pol* CMS), two
370 cultivars of tobacco (K326 and Yan97) and dozens of tomato varieties (described in
371 Supplemental Table 4) were used as the female parents to evaluate the outcrossing HIR
372 of *dmp* mutants. Rapeseed, tobacco and tomato transgenic plants were obtained by
373 *Agrobacterium*-mediated transformation as previously described (Horsch et al., 1985;
374 van Roekel et al., 1993; Dai et al., 2020). All plants were grown in the greenhouse under
375 natural light. The arabidopsis *dmp8dmp9* mutant (Zhong et al., 2020) was used to
376 generated different complementation lines by *Agrobacterium tumefaciens*-mediated
377 floral dip transformation (Clough and Bent, 1998).

378 **Screening for *dmp* mutants**

379 Sanger sequencing was performed to identify *dmp* mutants in T₀ transgenic lines. All
380 sequences were aligned to the *DMP* wild-type allele with SnapGene software. PCR
381 products containing multiple amplification products from the same locus were further
382 amplified with KOD FX (Toyobo) and cloned into the *pEASY* vector (pEASY-Blunt
383 Zero Cloning Kit, TransGen Biotech). At least six independent colonies were selected
384 and sequenced by the Tsingke Biological Technology Co., Ltd. The primers used for
385 *dmp* mutants genotyping are list in Supplemental Table 9.

386 **Pollen viability evaluation**

387 Mature tomato flowers were used for the pollen analyses. A needle was used to slice
388 open the anther lengthwise and then dragged upwards through the locule of the anther
389 to collect pollen on the tip of the needle. For the pollen germination experiment, pollen
390 grains were incubated in liquid medium (10% sucrose, 0.01% boric acid, 0.1% yeast
391 extract, 5 mM CaCl₂, 50 μM KH₂PO₄ and 15% PEG 4000) in the dark at 30 °C for 1
392 hour. Images were captured using a light microscope (CX41, Olympus, Japan) fitted
393 with a Nikon DS-Ri1 camera. Viability was scored using the pollen germination rate.
394 A pollen grain was scored as germinated when it formed a pollen tube. For the pollen
395 staining experiment, pollen grains were stained on a microscope slide using
396 Alexander's stain solution (Solarbio) and photographed using a light microscope (Axio
397 Imager Z2, Zeiss, Germany) fitted with a Canon EOS 6D camera. Red-stained pollen
398 was scored as viable.

399 **Analysis of seed phenotypes**

400 Tomato and rapeseed seeds were harvested from ripe fruits and used to score
401 phenotypes. Seeds were divided into three categories (normal seeds, aborted seeds and

402 undeveloped ovules) based on their size and color. For tomato seed dissection, a razor
403 blade was used to cut the imbibed seeds lengthwise into two uneven pieces (1/4 and
404 3/4). The larger piece containing the embryo was used to separate the embryo and testa
405 from the endosperm with fine forceps under a stereo microscope (S6D, Leica,
406 Germany). Samples were observed and photographed using a stereo fluorescence
407 microscope (SEX16, Olympus, Japan) fitted with Olympus DP72 camera. For
408 arabidopsis, siliques were cleared with a previously described method (Zhong et al.,
409 2020) and photographed using a Leica S6D stereo microscope.

410 **Haploid identification**

411 Haploids from selfed *dmp* mutant lines were first identified based on their phenotype
412 and then confirmed by flow cytometry.

413 In the T₁ generation, *sldmp* mutant lines with or without the segregating Fast-Red
414 marker were used as pollen donors in a cross with wild-type female parents. All the
415 seeds derived from these crosses were sown in soil and grown to the seedling stage.
416 One molecular marker with a polymorphism between the *sldmp* mutant lines and testers
417 was used to screen for putative haploid seedlings. Then, the ploidy of these putative
418 haploid seedlings was then confirmed by flow cytometry.

419 In the T₂ generation, *sldmp* mutants with a homozygous Fast Red marker were used in
420 crosses. Seeds derived from these crosses were first treated with 2% sodium
421 hypochlorite for 15 minutes (to improve Fast-Red detection) and then divided into two
422 groups (red seeds and white seeds) based on their color under white light. The red seeds
423 with RFP expression in the embryo and endosperm were considered to carry diploid
424 embryos. All the white seeds were treated a second time with 2% sodium hypochlorite
425 for 15 minutes and sown on half-strength Murashige and Skoog medium. White seeds
426 were further divided into two classes (strong RFP seeds and weak RFP seeds) under
427 fluorescent light (excitation wavelength 540 nm, emission wavelength 600) using a
428 hand-held lamp (LUYOR-3415RG). During germination, both seed classes were also
429 checked for the absence/presence of RFP in the root tip. Seeds with weak RFP
430 expression that did not show RFP signal in embryo root tip were scored as putative
431 haploids. These putative haploids were further confirmed at the seedling stage by
432 molecular markers and ploidy analysis.

433 In the wild-type \times *bndmp* progeny, haploids were first screened with the Fast-Red
434 marker in the cotyledon of germinated seeds under fluorescent light (excitation
435 wavelength 540 nm, emission wavelength 600) using a hand-held lamp (LUYOR-
436 3415RG) and molecular markers (A07-1), and then confirmed by flow cytometry.

437 In the wild-type \times *ntdmp* progeny, both imbibed seeds and root tips of germinated seeds
438 showed weak RFP expression, which made it difficult to identify haploids via Fast-Red

439 marker. Therefore, all tobacco haploids were first screened by a molecular marker
440 (*NtDMP2*) and then confirmed by flow cytometry. The primers used for identification
441 of haploids are shown in Supplemental Table 9.

442 **Flow cytometry**

443 Fresh leaves (0.5 g) from each sample were chopped with a razor blade in 2 mL lysis
444 buffer as previously described (Zhong et al., 2020), and filtered through an 80 μ m nylon
445 filter. Nuclei were collected by centrifugation at 1000 r.p.m. for 5 minutes at 4 $^{\circ}$ C and
446 stained with propidium iodide in the dark for 20 min. The ploidy level of each sample
447 was analyzed with a BD FACSCalibur Flow Cytometer and BD CellQuest Pro software.
448 Wild-type plants were used as a control and the position of its first signal peak was set
449 at \sim 100 (FL2-A value). The samples with the first signal peak at \sim 50 (FL2-A value)
450 were deemed to be haploids.

451 **Whole-genome resequencing and genotype calling of tomato haploids**

452 Genomic DNA libraries of each sample were constructed and sequenced at an average
453 depth of approximately 20-fold coverage using the Illumina high-throughput
454 sequencing platform (Annoroad Gene Technology Co., Ltd, Beijing, China). Reads
455 containing adapter sequence, reads with a high ratio of N (N bases accounting for more
456 than 5% of the total reads) and reads with low quality (bases with a mass value less
457 than 19 accounting for more than 50% of the total reads) were filtered from the raw
458 data using fastp software (Chen et al., 2018). Clean reads of each sample were aligned
459 to the tomato reference genome (SL4.0) using Bowtie2 software (Langmead and
460 Salzberg, 2012). Uniquely mapped reads were used for SNP calling. Joint-genotype
461 calling was carried out on the whole genome using HaplotypeCaller, CombineGVCFs
462 and GenotypeGVCFs tools from GATK4 (ref.(Poplin et al., 2017)) (version 4.1.2.0).
463 The SNPs with bi-alleles were selected and filtered with following parameters: QUAL
464 $<$ 1000.0, QD $<$ 2.0, MQ $<$ 40.0, FS $>$ 60.0, SOR $>$ 3.0, MQRankSum $<$ -12.5,
465 ReadPosRankSum $<$ -8.0. These high quality SNPs were used for recombination map
466 construction via a sliding window approach. The window size was set to 30 SNPs and
467 the step size was set to 1 SNP.

468 **Chromosome dosage analysis of tomato haploids**

469 The chromosome dosage analysis was performed as previously described (Tan et al.,
470 2015). BAM files generated by Bowtie2 software were used to calculate the coverage
471 of each bin from each sample with bamCoverage (parameters: --normalizeUsing CPM
472 --binSize 100000) in deepTools (Ramírez et al., 2016) software. Relative coverage was
473 calculated by dividing the coverage of each bin by the mean percentage of
474 corresponding female parents.

475 **Propagation of tomato haploid plants from cuttings**

476 Strong side shoots from haploid plants were cut from the parent plant with sharp
477 scissors and placed in water containing 0.2% (w/v) rooting hormone powder (Shandong
478 Huanuo Federal Agrochemical Co.,Ltd) for about two weeks under LED light (150
479 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$) on a 16 h light/8 h dark photoperiod. Cuttings with well-developed roots
480 were transplanted into 6 L pots with soil and grown in the greenhouse under the natural
481 light.

482 **Colchicine treatment of tomato haploids**

483 For colchicine treatment, a solution was used that contained 0.06% colchicine
484 (Cat#C3915, Sigma) dissolved in dimethyl sulfoxide, 2% DMSO, 5% glycerol and 1%
485 Tween. For the control treatment, the same solution without colchicine was used.
486 Haploid cuttings were planted and grown in the greenhouse under natural light for one
487 month. The primary shoot apical meristem (SAM) was dipped in the colchicine solution
488 for 1.5 min. The internode that was closest to the SAM was then marked as the starting
489 point. After three to four new internodes developed from the treated meristem,
490 expanded leaf samples were taken from the top internode for ploidy analysis.

491 **Data availability**

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626 **FIGURES LEGENDS**

627 **Figure 1. *DMP* genes from multiple dicot crops complement *dmp8dmp9***
628 **phenotypes in arabidopsis.** (A) Representative images of siliques from the *dmp8dmp9*
629 mutant and different complementation lines in the *dmp8dmp9* background. Scale bar, 2
630 mm. (B) Quantification of seed number per silique in the *dmp8dmp9* mutant and the
631 corresponding complementation lines. The bars with different colors indicate different
632 plant families. Data represent the mean \pm s.d.; *** $p < 0.001$ (two-tailed Student's *t*-
633 test); *n*, number of siliques. The detailed information of each gene are described in
634 Supplemental Table 1.

635 **Figure 2. Mutation of tomato *SIDMP* induces haploids.** (A) The CRISPR/Cas9
636 mutagenesis vector comprising two sgRNAs (*gRNA1-2*) targeting *SIDMP*, and the
637 *pNos:NPTII* and *p35S:GFP* and FAST-Red selection cassettes. (B) Schematic
638 representation of the wild-type (WT) *SIDMP* gene. Filled blocks, clear blocks and the
639 gray line indicate the coding region, the untranslated regions, and the intron,
640 respectively. Green blocks correspond to the four predicted transmembrane domains
641 (TM). Pink lines indicate the two regions (T1, T2) targeted by the sgRNAs. The
642 sequences from wild type (WT) and mutant alleles from three backgrounds (AC, Ailsa
643 Craig; MT, Micro-Tom; MB, Moneyberg) are shown below the overview. The sgRNA
644 target sequences are underlined, and the protospacer-adjacent motif (PAM) is shown in
645 red. Nucleotide insertions are shown in blue and deletions by red dashes. (C)
646 Representative images of ripe fruit from selfed WT and CRISPR-Cas9 *sldmp* mutants
647 in the Ailsa Craig background. White, black, and blue arrowheads indicate normal seeds,
648 aborted seeds and undeveloped ovules, respectively. (D and E) Quantification of seed
649 number (D) and seed phenotypes (E) in fruits shown in (C). Data represent the mean \pm
650 s.d.; *** $p < 0.001$ (two-tailed Student's *t*-test); *n*, number of fruits. (F to J) Phenotypes
651 of plants (F), leaves (G), inflorescences (H), flower buds (I) and dissected flower parts
652 (J) of haploid (H) and diploid (D) plants. (K) Flow cytometry verification of the ploidy
653 of a putative haploid and a diploid control. The *x* axis represents the signal peak for the
654 nucleus and the *y* axis represents the number of nuclei. Scale bars: 1 cm (C, H, I and J),
655 10cm (F) and 5 cm (G). In (C) and (K), experiments were repeated at least three times
656 and similar results were obtained.

657 **Figure 3. Haploid production through *sldmp* outcrossing and FAST-Red-based**
658 **haploid seed identification.** (A) Representative images of DF199 ripened fruit
659 pollinated by wild type and an *sldmp* mutant in the Ailsa Craig background. White,
660 black, and blue arrowhead indicate normal seeds, aborted seeds, and undeveloped
661 ovules, respectively. (B and C) Quantification of seed number (B) and seed phenotypes
662 (C) in fruits derived after DF199 pollination by wild type and *sldmp* mutant pollen.
663 Data represent the mean \pm s.d.; *** $p < 0.001$ (two-tailed Student's *t*-test); *n*, number of
664 fruits. WT, wild type. (D) Schematic overview of haploid identification using the
665 FAST-Red marker in the *sldmp* inducer line. After NaOCl treatment, white and red
666 seeds can be easily distinguished under white light. Under fluorescent light, a few white

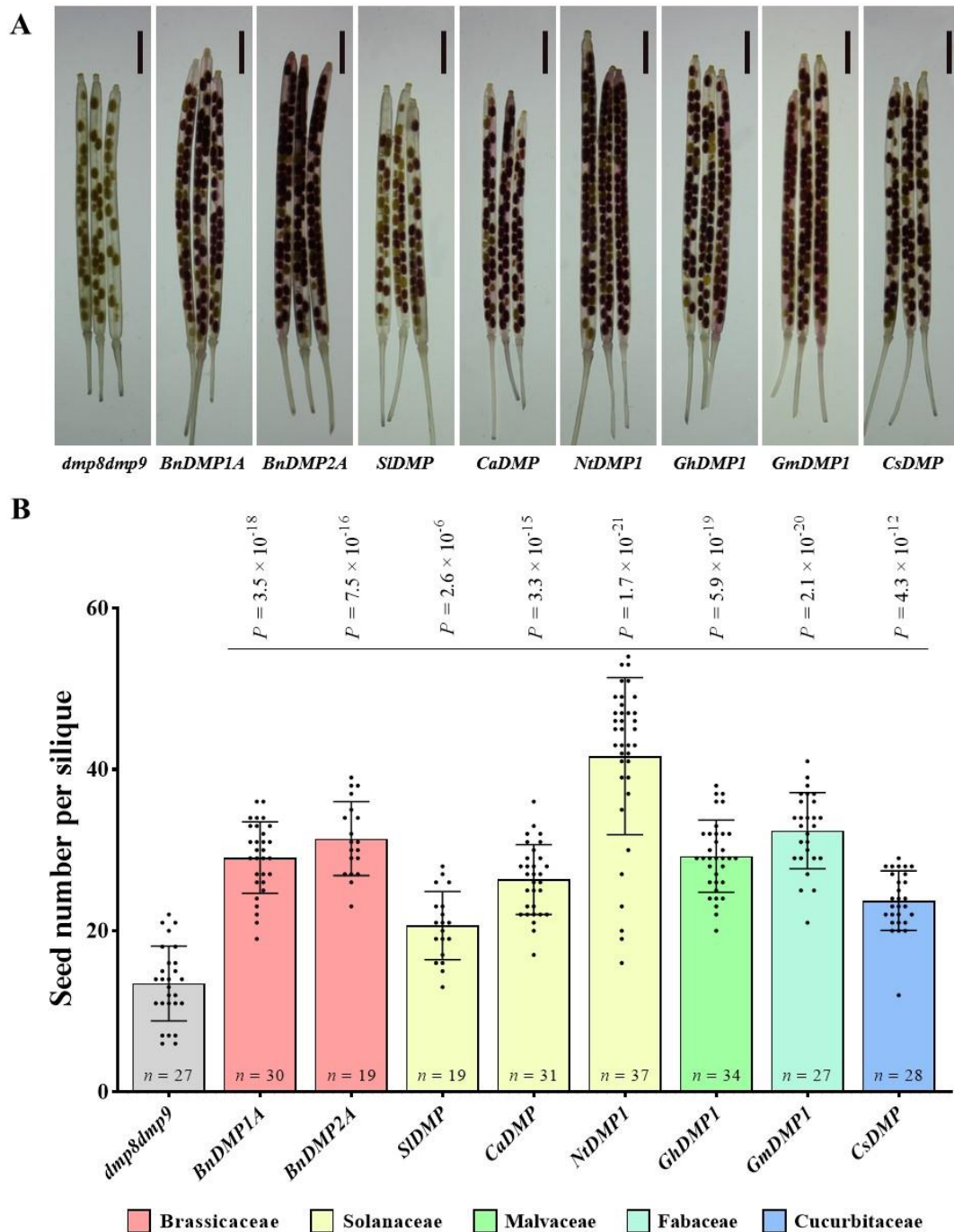
667 seeds with strong RFP expression were regrouped. During germination, both groups
668 were further checked for the absence/presence of RFP in the root tip. Seeds with weak
669 RFP expression do not show RFP signal in embryo root tip and are putative haploids.
670 These putative haploids can be further confirmed by molecular markers and ploidy
671 analysis. (E and F) FAST-Red-based haploid seed identification. White light (left
672 panel), fluorescent light (middle panel) and merged (right panel) micrographs of control,
673 haploid and diploid seeds in the imbibed (E) and germinated (F) state. Control seeds
674 were derived from a DF199 × Ailsa Craig cross. Haploid and diploid seeds were derived
675 from DF199 × *sldmp* (Ailsa Craig) cross. (G) Representative images of tomato haploid
676 and diploid seedlings. (H) Seedlings from putative haploids were genotyped with
677 polymorphic markers between the inducer line and testers. The left lane shows the DNA
678 size marker, and the Roman numbers I to VII represent the PCR products in DF199 (I),
679 AF01 (II), *sldmp* mutant in Ailsa Craig background (III), haploid from DF199 × *sldmp*
680 (IV), haploid from AF01 × *sldmp* (V), diploid from DF199 × *sldmp* (VI) and diploid
681 from AF01 × *sldmp* (VII). Scale bars: 1 cm (A), 2 mm (E and F) and 5 cm (G). In A, E,
682 F, G and H, experiments were repeated at least three times and similar results were
683 obtained.

684 **Figure 4. Mutation of BnDMP genes induces haploid seed formation.** (A) The
685 CRISPR/Cas9 mutagenesis vector comprising four sgRNAs (*gRNA1-4*) targeting three
686 *BnDMP* genes, and the *pNos:NPTII* and the *p35S:GFP* and FAST-Red
687 (*pOLEO1:OLEO1-RFP*) selection cassettes. (B) Schematic representation of the wild-
688 type *BnDMP* genes. Filled blocks, clear blocks and the gray line indicate the coding
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712 coding region, the untranslated regions, and the intron, respectively. Green blocks
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714 regions (T1, T2, T3 and T4) targeted by the sgRNAs. The sequences from WT and
715 mutant alleles from the three tobacco *DMP* genes are shown below the overview. The
716 sgRNA target sequences are underlined, and the protospacer-adjacent motif (PAM) is
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719 inducer line and testers to identify putative haploids. The left lane shows the DNA size
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721 inducer (II), haploid (III) and amphidiploid (IV) lines. (D) Flow cytometry verification
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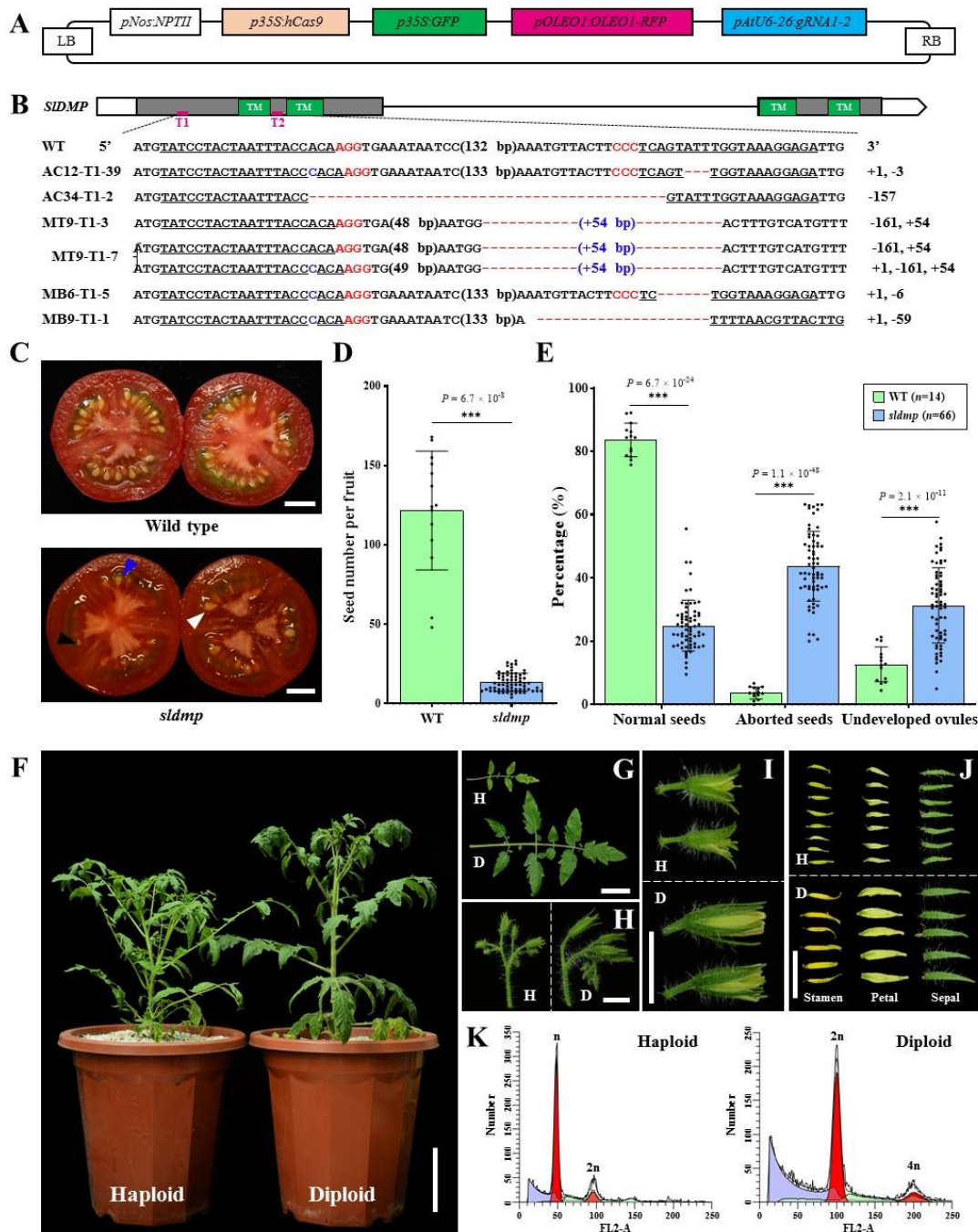
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728 **FIGURES**



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730 **Figure 1. *DMP* genes from multiple dicot crops complement *dmp8dmp9***
731 **phenotypes in arabidopsis.** (A) Representative images of siliques from the *dmp8dmp9*
732 mutant and different complementation lines in the *dmp8dmp9* background. Scale bar, 2
733 mm. (B) Quantification of seed number per silique in the *dmp8dmp9* mutant and the
734 corresponding complementation lines. The bars with different colors indicate different
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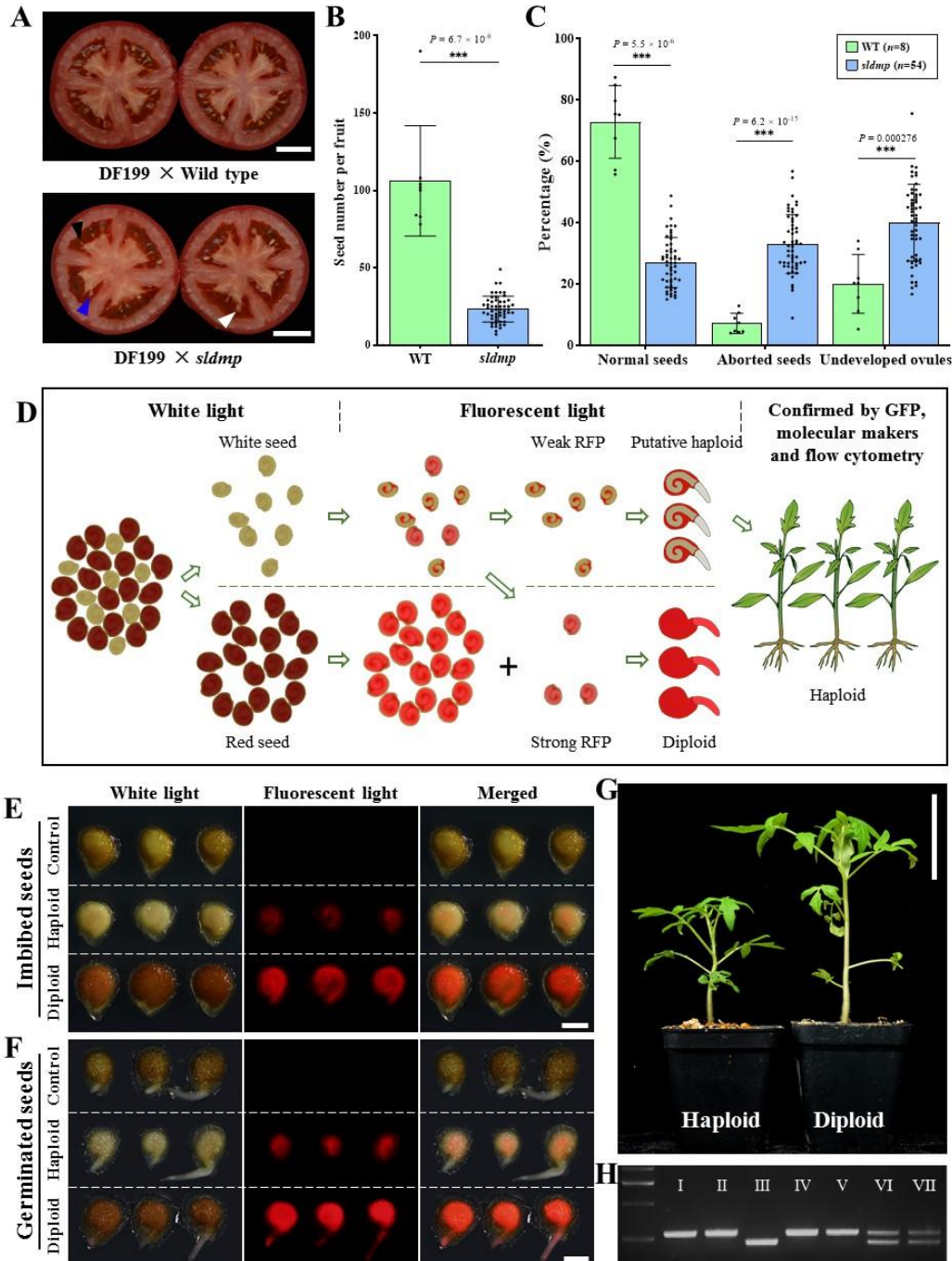
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Figure 2. Mutation of tomato *SIDMP* induces haploids. (A) The CRISPR/Cas9 mutagenesis vector comprising two sgRNAs (*gRNA1-2*) targeting *SIDMP*, and the *pNos:NPTII* and *p35S:GFP* and FAST-Red selection cassettes. (B) Schematic representation of the wild-type (WT) *SIDMP* gene. Filled blocks, clear blocks and the gray line indicate the coding region, the untranslated regions, and the intron, respectively. Green blocks correspond to the four predicted transmembrane domains (TM). Pink lines indicate the two regions (T1, T2) targeted by the sgRNAs. The sequences from wild type (WT) and mutant alleles from three backgrounds (AC, Ailsa Craig; MT, Micro-Tom; MB, Moneyberg) are shown below the overview. The sgRNA target sequences are underlined, and the protospacer-adjacent motif (PAM) is shown in red. Nucleotide insertions are shown in blue and deletions by red dashes. (C)

750 Representative images of ripe fruit from selfed WT and CRISPR-Cas9 *sldmp* mutants
751 in the Ailsa Craig background. White, black, and blue arrowheads indicate normal seeds,
752 aborted seeds and undeveloped ovules, respectively. **(D and E)** Quantification of seed
753 number (D) and seed phenotypes (E) in fruits shown in (C). Data represent the mean \pm
754 s.d.; *** $p < 0.001$ (two-tailed Student's *t*-test); *n*, number of fruits. **(F to J)** Phenotypes
755 of plants (F), leaves (G), inflorescences (H), flower buds (I) and dissected flower parts
756 (J) of haploid (H) and diploid (D) plants. **(K)** Flow cytometry verification of the ploidy
757 of a putative haploid and a diploid control. The *x* axis represents the signal peak for the
758 nucleus and the *y* axis represents the number of nuclei. Scale bars: 1 cm (C, H, I and J),
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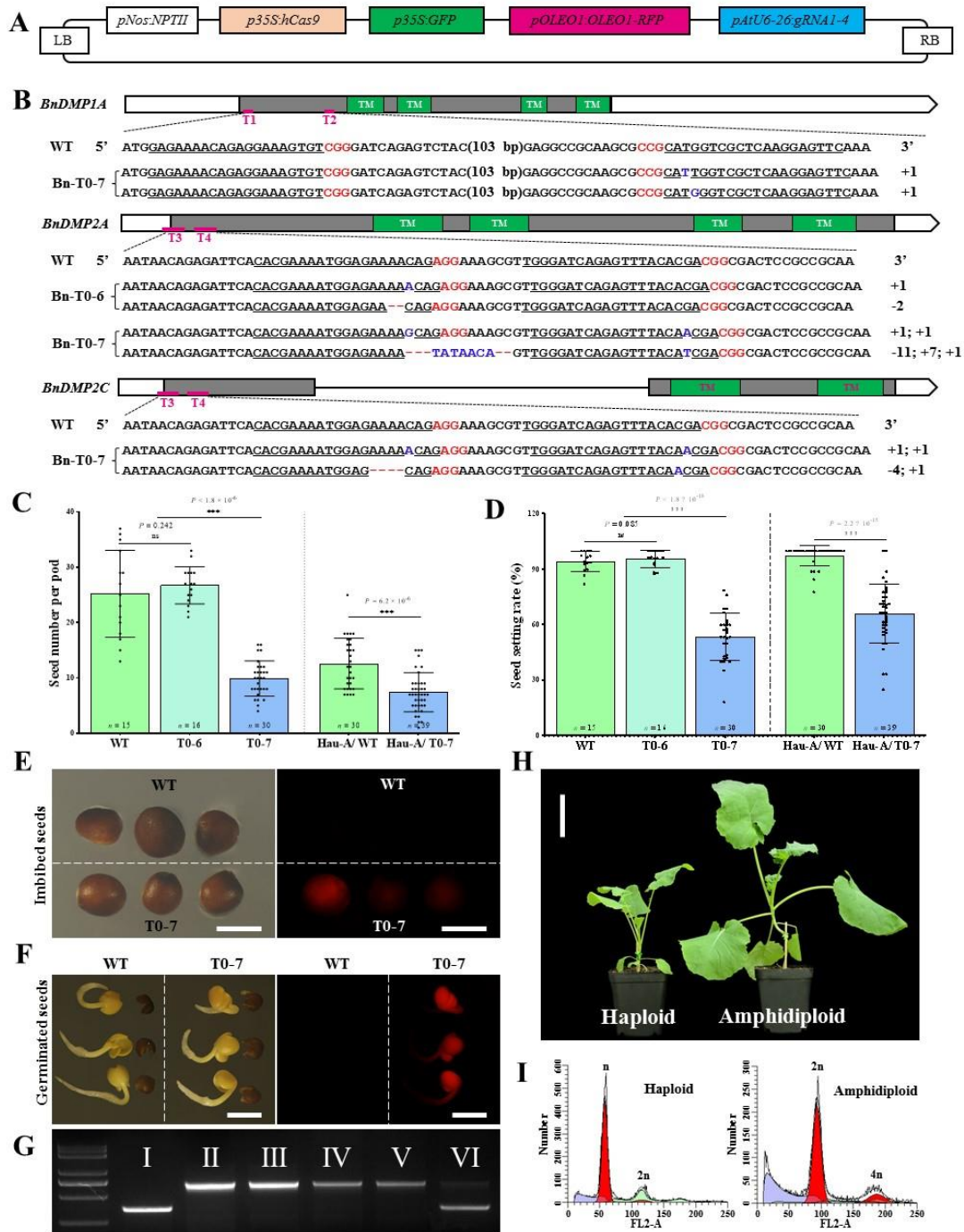
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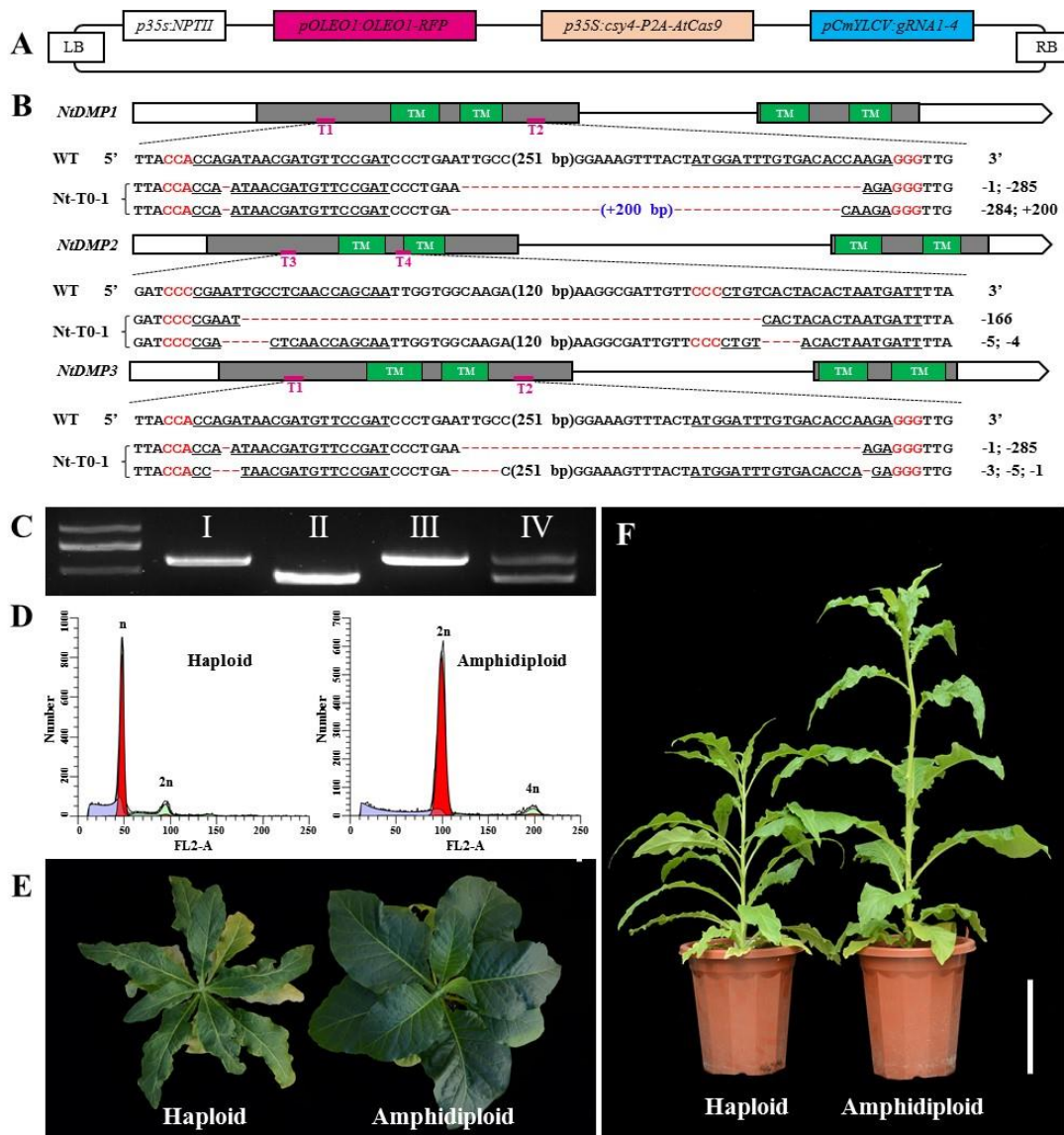
Figure 3. Haploid production through *sldmp* outcrossing and FAST-Red-based haploid seed identification. (A) Representative images of DF199 ripened fruit pollinated by wild type and an *sldmp* mutant in the Ailsa Craig background. White, black, and blue arrowhead indicate normal seeds, aborted seeds, and undeveloped ovules, respectively. (B and C) Quantification of seed number (B) and seed phenotypes (C) in fruits derived after DF199 pollination by wild type and *sldmp* mutant pollen. Data represent the mean \pm s.d.; *** $p < 0.001$ (two-tailed Student's *t*-test); *n*, number of fruits. WT, wild type. (D) Schematic overview of haploid identification using the FAST-Red marker in the *sldmp* inducer line. After NaOCl treatment, white and red seeds can be easily distinguished under white light. Under fluorescent light, a few white seeds with strong RFP expression were regrouped. During germination, both groups

773 were further checked for the absence/presence of RFP in the root tip. Seeds with weak
774 RFP expression do not show RFP signal in embryo root tip and are putative haploids.
775 These putative haploids can be further confirmed by molecular markers and ploidy
776 analysis. **(E and F)** FAST-Red-based haploid seed identification. White light (left
777 panel), fluorescent light (middle panel) and merged (right panel) micrographs of control,
778 haploid and diploid seeds in the imbibed (E) and germinated (F) state. Control seeds
779 were derived from a DF199 × Ailsa Craig cross. Haploid and diploid seeds were derived
780 from DF199 × *sldmp* (Ailsa Craig) cross. **(G)** Representative images of tomato haploid
781 and diploid seedlings. **(H)** Seedlings from putative haploids were genotyped with
782 polymorphic markers between the inducer line and testers. The left lane shows the DNA
783 size marker, and the Roman numbers I to VII represent the PCR products in DF199 (I),
784 AF01 (II), *sldmp* mutant in Ailsa Craig background (III), haploid from DF199 × *sldmp*
785 (IV), haploid from AF01 × *sldmp* (V), diploid from DF199 × *sldmp* (VI) and diploid
786 from AF01 × *sldmp* (VII). Scale bars: 1 cm (A), 2 mm (E and F) and 5 cm (G). In A, E,
787 F, G and H, experiments were repeated at least three times and similar results were
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791 **Figure 4. Mutation of *BnDMP* genes induces haploid seed formation.** (A) The
792 CRISPR/Cas9 mutagenesis vector comprising four sgRNAs (*gRNA1-4*) targeting three
793 *BnDMP* genes, and the *pNos:NPTII* and the *p35S:GFP* and FAST-Red
794 (*pOLEO1:OLEO1-RFP*) selection cassettes. (B) Schematic representation of the wild-
795 type *BnDMP* genes. Filled blocks, clear blocks and the gray line indicate the coding
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819 *NiDMP* CRISPR/Cas9 mutagenesis vector. (B) Schematic representation of the wild-

820 type (WT) *NiDMP* genes. Filled blocks, clear blocks and the gray line indicate the

821 coding region, the untranslated regions, and the intron, respectively. Green blocks

822 correspond to the four predicted transmembrane domains (TM). Pink lines indicate the

823 regions (T1, T2, T3 and T4) targeted by the sgRNAs. The sequences from WT and

824 mutant alleles from the three tobacco *DMP* genes are shown below the overview. The

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831 of the ploidy of a putative haploid and an amphidiploid control. The *x* axis represents

832 the signal peak for the nucleus and the *y* axis represents the number of nuclei. (E and

833 F) Representative images of tobacco haploid and tetraploid seedling (E) and plants (F).

834 Scale bars: 10 cm (E) and 20 cm (F). In E to F, experiments were repeated at least three
835 times and similar results were obtained.
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837 **Table 1. Haploid induction rate in *slomp* mutant crosses.**

Female parent	Male parent	Seed setting rate (%)	Total seeds	Haploids	HIR (%)
DF199	AC34-T2-2	26.08	1,536	19	1.24
	AC34-T2-4	24.62	927	14	1.51
	AC34-T2-15	26.31	751	14	1.86
	AC34-T2-16	26.12	1,084	13	1.20
MT.AC	AC34-T2-4	15.56	1,688	24	1.42
	AC34-T2-9	24.69	1,483	21	1.42
	AC34-T2-10	21.81	677	9	1.33
	AC34-T2-15	19.33	2,430	39	1.60
	AC34-T2-16	16.53	1,880	32	1.70
DF1.MT	AC34-T2-4	18.73	1,358	34	2.50
	AC34-T2-13	18.65	1,982	38	1.92
	AC34-T2-15	22.44	749	24	3.20
JZ801	AC34-T2-13	15.67	967	19	1.96
	AC34-T2-41	15.22	379	5	1.32
1004	AC34-T2-2	21.27	148	4	2.70
	AC34-T2-15	28.51	246	4	1.63
1006	AC34-T2-15	26.00	335	9	2.69
	AC34-T2-16	23.13	344	8	2.33
4013	AC34-T2-Mix	28.74	693	6	0.87
4014	AC34-T2-Mix	12.57	357	2	0.56
4015	AC34-T2-Mix	9.97	809	4	0.49
4024	AC34-T2-Mix	24.50	191	2	1.05
4025	AC34-T2-Mix	34.12	962	5	0.52
4029	AC34-T2-Mix	22.12	252	2	0.79
4034	AC34-T2-Mix	18.48	437	7	1.60
4035	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	307	8	2.61
4036	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	226	7	3.10
4037	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	148	2	1.35
4038	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	137	4	2.92
4039	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	151	4	2.65
4040	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	190	7	3.68
4041	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	201	3	1.49
4042	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	332	8	2.41
4043	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	485	9	1.86
4044	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	360	9	2.50
4048	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	75	1	1.33
4049	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	440	7	1.59
4050	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	331	5	1.51
4053	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	454	7	1.54
4055	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	182	5	2.75
4056	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	268	7	2.61
4057	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	369	9	2.44
4059	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	238	7	2.94
4060	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	233	6	2.58
4063	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	522	14	2.68
4064	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	576	11	1.91
4066	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	354	9	2.54
4068	AC34-T2-Mix	ND	153	2	1.31
Total	AC34-T2	24.70	29,397	509	1.94 ± 0.74

838 Information on the genotype of the female parents is provided in Supplemental Table
839 4. The genotype of each male parent is listed in Supplemental Table 3. Haploids were
840 first screened for a lack of embryo RFP expression and then further verified by
841 molecular marker and ploidy analysis. The haploid induction rate (HIR) was calculated
842 with the formula: $\text{HIR (\%)} = (\text{number of haploids}) / (\text{total seed number}) \times 100\%$. AC34-
843 T2-Mix, pollen was a mix of different AC34-T2 lines. ND, not determined.

844 **Table 2. Haploid induction rate in *bndmp* mutant progeny.**

Female parent	Male parent	Genotype (1A, 2A, 2C)	Seed setting rate (%)	Total plants	Haploids	HIR (%)
Bn-T0-7	Bn-T0-7	-/-, -/-, -/Δ	53.52	97	1	1.03
	Westar	WT	97.45	557	0	0
Hau-A	Bn-T0-7	-/-, -/-, -/Δ	65.98	570	22	3.86
	Bn-T0-18	+/+, -/-, -/-	98.48	91	1	1.10
	Bn-T1-3	-/-, -/-, -/Δ	67.34	447	7	1.57
<i>pol</i> CMS	Bn-T0-18	+/+, -/-, -/-	87.41	194	0	0
	Bn-T1-1	-/-, -/-, -/-	42.57	83	2	2.41
	Bn-T1-2	-/-, -/-, -/-	48.41	182	3	1.65

845 “1A”, “2A” and “2C” represent the *BnDMP1A*, *BnDMP2A* and *BnDMP2C* genes,
 846 respectively. “+”, wild-type allele. “-”, frame shift with gain of stop codon allele. “Δ”,
 847 in-frame deletion allele. The sequence of the mutant alleles for each male parent is listed
 848 in Supplemental Table 3. Haploids were first screened for a lack of RFP expression in
 849 germinated embryos and then further verified by molecular markers and ploidy analysis.
 850 The haploid induction rate (HIR) was calculated with the formula: HIR (%) = (number
 851 of haploids) / (total plants) × 100%.

852 **Table 3. Haploid induction rate in *ntdmp* mutant progeny.**

Pollinations	Genotype (1, 2, 3)	Total plants	Haploids	HIR (%)
K326⊗	Wild type	171	0	0
Nt-T0-1⊗	-/-, -/-, -/-	1,111	9	0.81
Nt-T0-4⊗	+/-, -/-, -/Δ	322	0	0
Nt-T0-9⊗	+/-, -/-, -/-	192	0	0
K326 × Nt-T1-1	-/-, -/-, -/-	356	3	0.84
K326 × Nt-T1-2	-/-, -/-, -/-	675	11	1.63
Yan97 × Nt-T1-1	-/-, -/-, -/-	551	5	0.91
Yan97 × Nt-T1-2	-/-, -/-, -/-	851	10	1.18

853 “1”, “2” and “3” in the “Genotype (1, 2, 3)” represent the *NtDMP1*, *NtDMP2* and
 854 *NtDMP3* genes, respectively. “+”, wild-type allele. “-”, frame shift with gain of stop
 855 codon allele. “Δ”, in-frame deletion allele. The sequence of the mutant alleles for each
 856 male parent is listed in Supplemental Table 3. Haploids were first screened by
 857 molecular markers and then verified by ploidy analysis. The haploid induction rate
 858 (HIR) was calculated with the formula: HIR (%) = (number of haploids) / (total plants)
 859 × 100%.