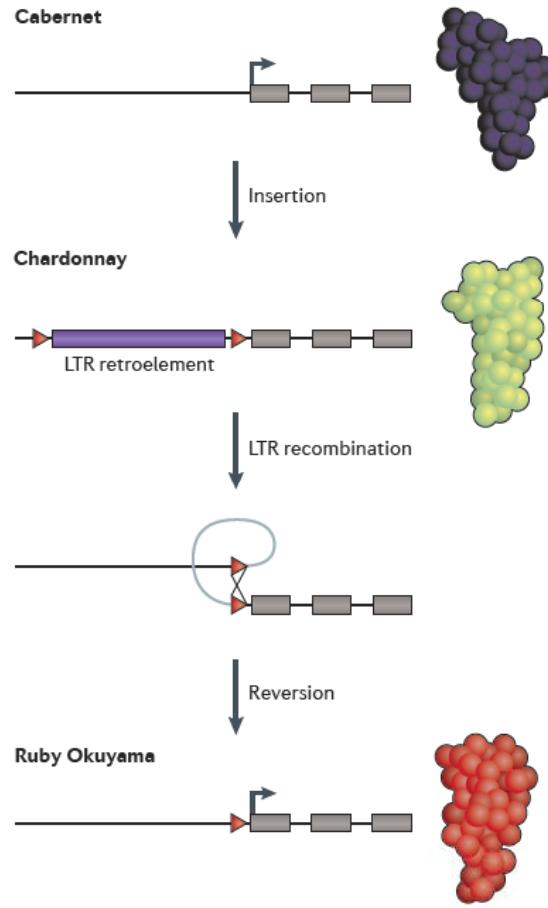


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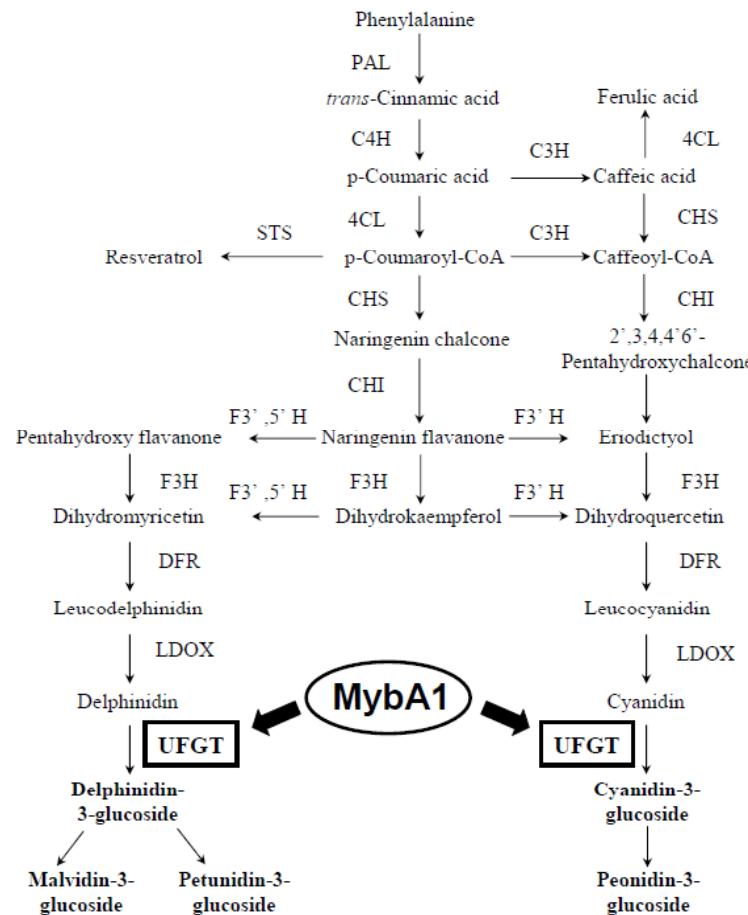


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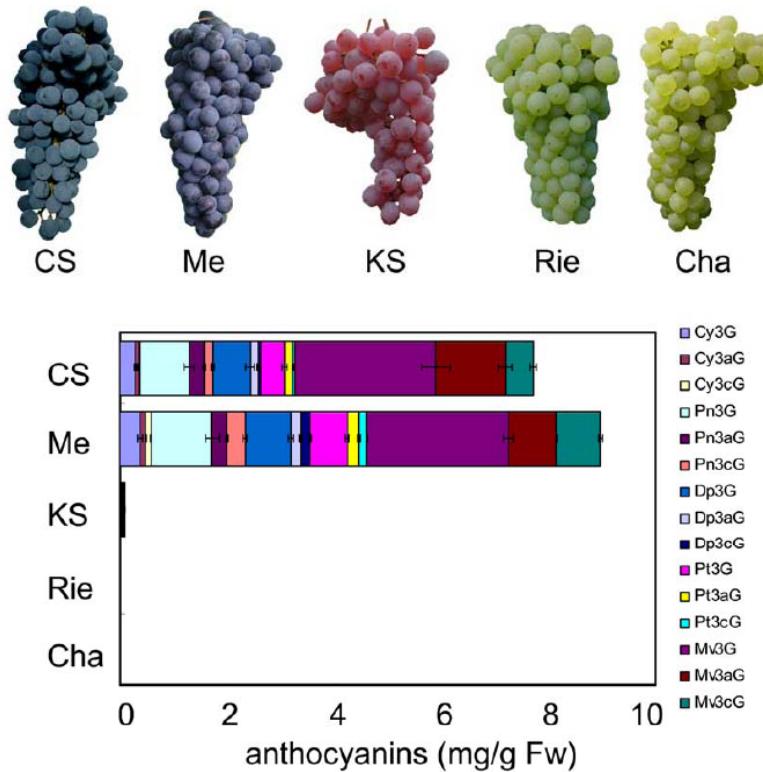
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Pathway leading to the synthesis of anthocyanins



MybA1 is a transcription factor that regulates the transcription of the *UFGT* gene. PAL, phenylalanine ammonia lyase. C4H, cinnamate 4-hydroxylase. 4CL, 4-coumarate ligase. C3H, coumarate-3-hydroxylase. STS, stilbene synthase. CHS, chalcone synthase. CHI, chalcone isomerase. F3'H, flavonoid 3'-hydroxylase. F3',5'H, flavonoid 3',5'-hydroxylase. F3H, flavonone-3-hydroxylase. DFR, dihydroflavonol 4-reductase. LDOX, leucoanthocyanidin dioxygenase. UFGT, UDP-glucose:flavonoid 3-o-glucosyltransferase.

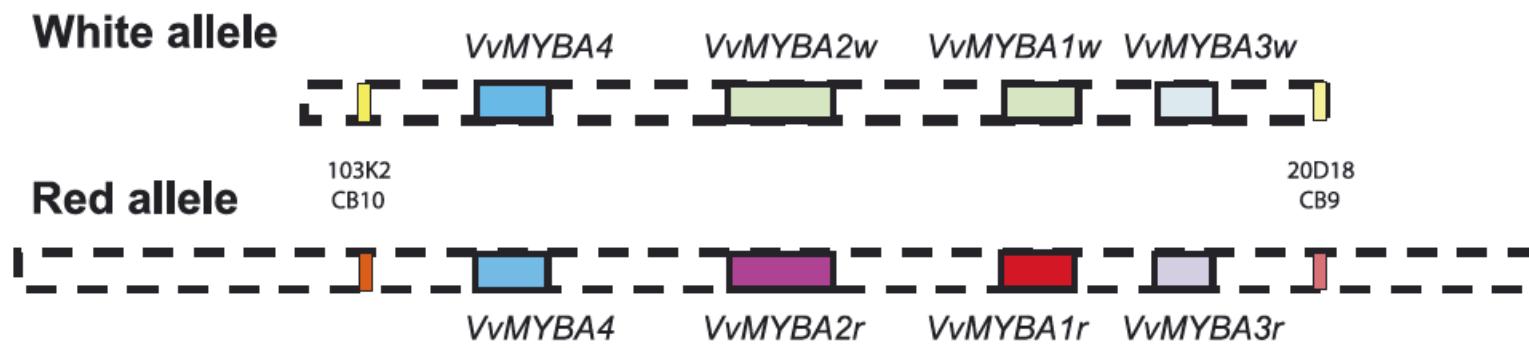
Total amounts of anthocyanins



Anthocyanin (cyanidin, peonidin, delphinidin, petunidin, and malvidin) composition in berry skins was measured using reversedphase high performance liquid chromatography. Berries were collected at 19 weeks post flowering. Bars indicate means 6 standard deviations of duplicate experiments.

CS: Cabernet Sauvignon, Me: Merlot, KS: Koshu, Rie: Riesling, Cha: Chardonnay.

Diagram of the berry colour locus from Cabernet Sauvignon



VvMYBA sequences are indicated by the heavily outlined boxes in order along the chromosome. The smaller coloured boxes indicate the markers 20D18CB9 and 103K2CB10. Green and yellow boxes indicate the white allele version of polymorphic sequences; red and purple boxes indicate the red allele versions; blue boxes indicate sequences that are the same in both alleles. Not to scale.

Berry colour segregates with CAPS marker 20D18CB9



(a) Gel showing that berry colour segregates as predicted with the marker in progeny of a cross between Sunmuscat (white) and Chambourcin (red). (b) Marker differentiates between homozygous red (Malbec and Barbera), heterozygous red (Cabernet Sauvignon and Chambourcin) and white (Riesling and Sunmuscat) cultivars. Red-berried plants named in red, white-berried plants in green. 'r' indicates band present in red allele, 'w' band from the white allele.

Genotype of white grape cultivars assessed by markers and sequence analysis

	Grape cultivar	Group no. ^a	20D18CB9 ^b	103K2CB10 ^b	MYBA2 ^c	CA deletion ^d	Retro mark
1	Aligote	9	W	W		Yes	W
2	Auxerrois		W	W		Yes	W
3	Biancone		W	W		Yes	W
4	Calmeria		W	W		Yes	W
5	Canada Muscat		W	W		Yes	W
6	Canocazo		W	W		Yes	W
7	Chaouch	2	W	W		Yes	W
8	Chardonnay	9	W	W	W	Yes	W
9	Chasselas		W	W		Yes	W
10	Chenin Blanc		W	W		Yes	W
11	Clairette Blanche		W	W		Yes	W
12	Colombard	11	W	W		Yes	W
13	Crouchén		W	W		Yes	W
14	Dawn Seedless		W	W		Yes	W
15	Doradillo	13	W	W	W	Yes	W

Red-berried cultivars scored with two CAPS markers

	Cultivar	Use	20D18CB9 ^a	103K2CB10 ^{a,c}
1	Aleatico	Wine	W	R1 ^d W
2	Alicante	Wine	R	R2 ^e
3	Baco Noir	Wine	RWE ^b	W
4	Barbera	Wine	R	R2R3 ^f
5	Barlinka	Table	R	R2W
6	Bastardo	Wine	RW	R2W
7	Beauty Seedless	Table	RW	R2W
8	Black Frontignac	Table	W	W
9	Blush Seedless	Table	RW	W
10	Bonvedro	Wine	R	R1R2
11	Brown Frontignac	Table	W	W
12	Cabernet Franc	Wine	RW	R1W
13	Cabernet Sauvignon	Wine	RW	R1W
14	Cardinal	Table	RW	W
15	Carignan	Wine	RW	R2W
16	Carina	Table	R	W
17	Carolina Blackrose	Table	RW	R2W
18	Chambourcin	Wine	RW	R2W
19	Christmas Rose	Table	RW	W
20	Cinsaut	Wine	RW	R2W
21	Concord	Table	RWE	R3W
22	Criolla Negra	Wine	RW	W
23	Dolcetto	Wine	RW	R2W
24	Durif	Wine	R	R2W
25	Emperor	Table	RW	W
26	Flame Seedless	Table	RW	W
27	Foch	Wine	RWE	W
28	Gamay	Wine	RW	R2W
29	Grenache	Wine	RW	R2W
30	Kadarka	Wine	RW	R2W

	Cultivar	Use	20D18CB9 ^a	103K2CB10 ^{a,c}
31	Kyoho	Table	RWE	R1W
32	Malbec	Wine	R	R2
33	Marroo Seedless	Table	RW	R2W
34	Mataro	Wine	RW	R2W
35	Merlot	Wine	RW	R1W
36	Mondeuse	Wine	RW	R2W
37	Monukka	Table	R	W
38	Muscat Hamburg	Table	RW	W
39	Nebbiolo	Wine	RW	W
40	Petit Verdot	Wine	RW	R2W
41	Pinot Gris	Wine	RW	R2W
42	Pinot Meunier	Wine	RW	R2W
43	Pinot Noir	Wine	RW	R2W
44	Raboso	Wine	RW	R2W
45	Raboso Piave	Wine	R	R3
46	Red Globe	Table	RW	W
47	Ribier	Table	R	R2W
48	Rubired	Wine	RW	R2W
49	Ruby Cabernet	Wine	R	R1W
50	Ruby Seedless	Table	RW	W
51	Sangiovese	Wine	RW	R3W
52	Shiraz	Wine	RW	W
53	Souzao	Wine	R	R1R2
54	Tarrango	Wine	W	R1W
55	Terret Noir	Wine	RW	R2W
56	Tinta Amarella	Wine	RW	R2W
57	Tinta Cao	Wine	W	R1W
58	Touriga	Wine	W	R1W
59	Valdiguié	Wine	RW	R2W
60	Zinfandel	Wine	RW	R2W

^aPCR results with markers; W indicates white allele; R indicates red allele.

^bE, extra band.

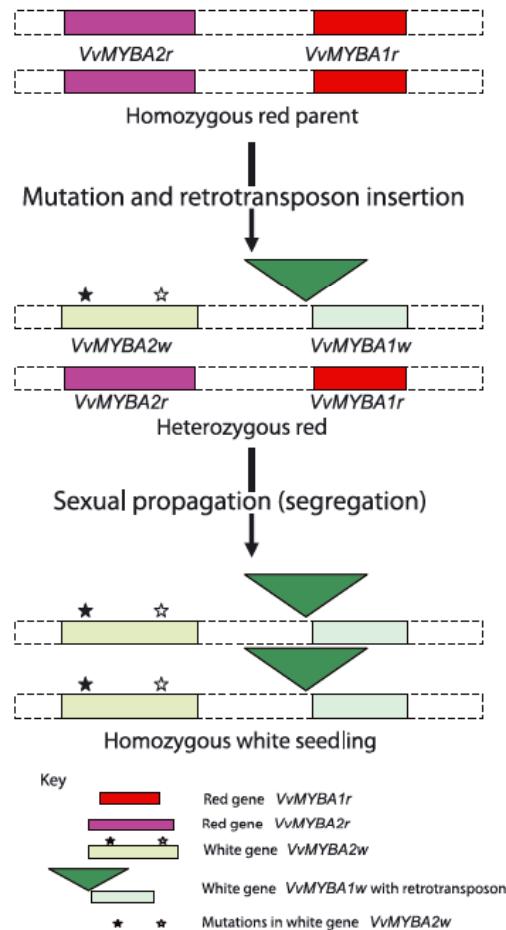
^cThree distinct banding patterns of red alleles:

^dR1, like Cabernet Sauvignon;

^eR2, like Chambourcin;

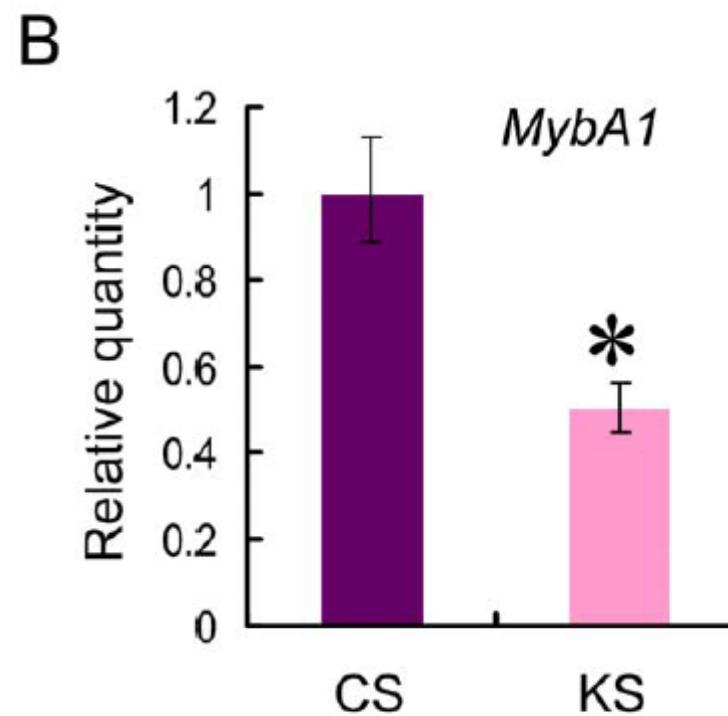
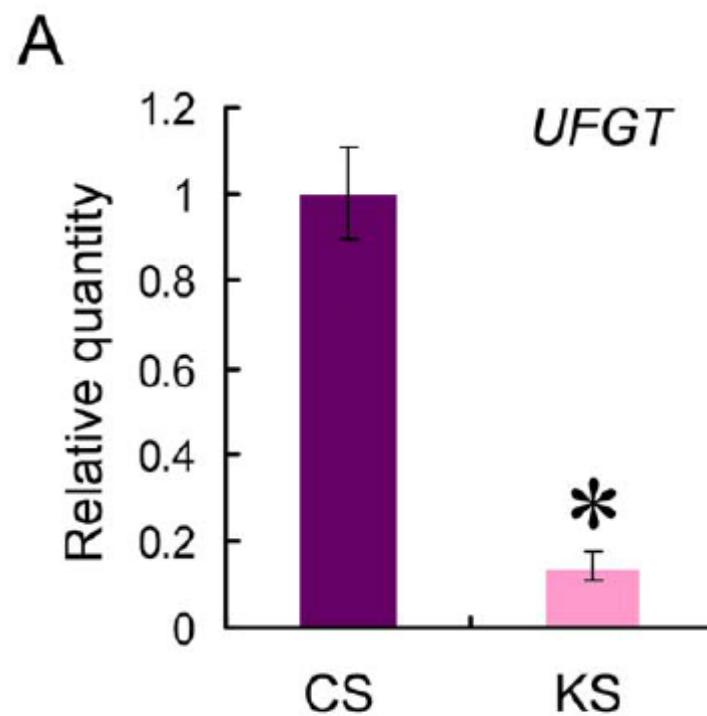
^fR3 , like Concord

Model for the origin of the white grape genes



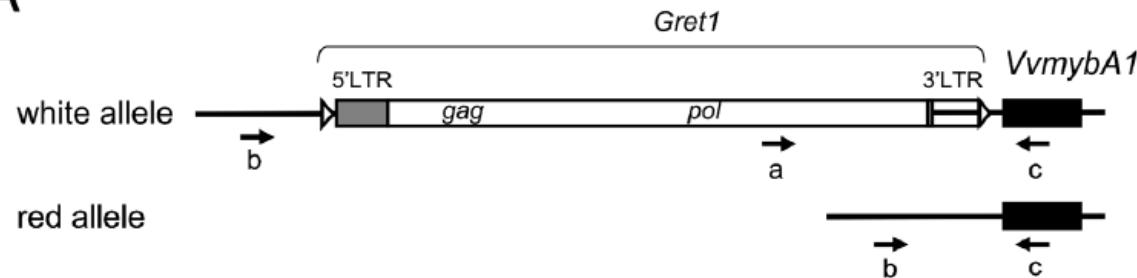
After duplication of the VvMYBA genes, VvMYBA2r and VvMYBA1r were both active resulting in a red grape phenotype. The accumulation of two mutations in VvMYBA2w and the insertion of a retrotransposon in the promoter of VvMYBA1w results in the inactivation of both these genes; however, the phenotype of the berries would still be red until sexual reproduction resulted in a homozygous genotype when white-fruited grapes would finally be observed.

UGT and MybA1 gene expression in Koshu grape berry skin

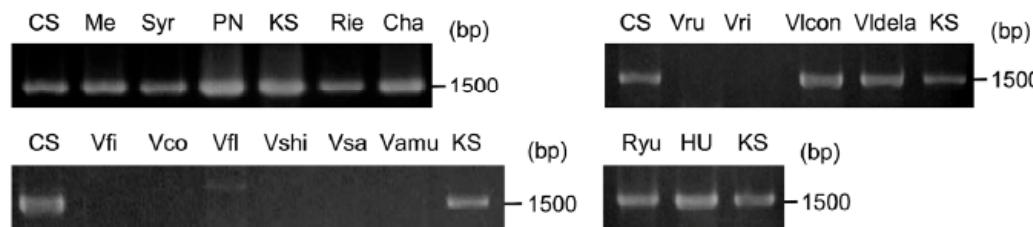


Analysis of MybA1 gene structure in grapes

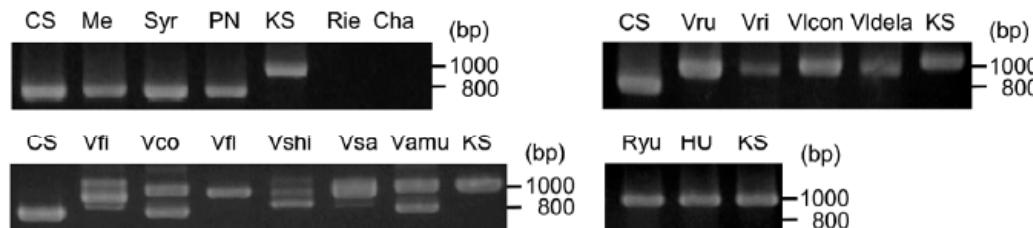
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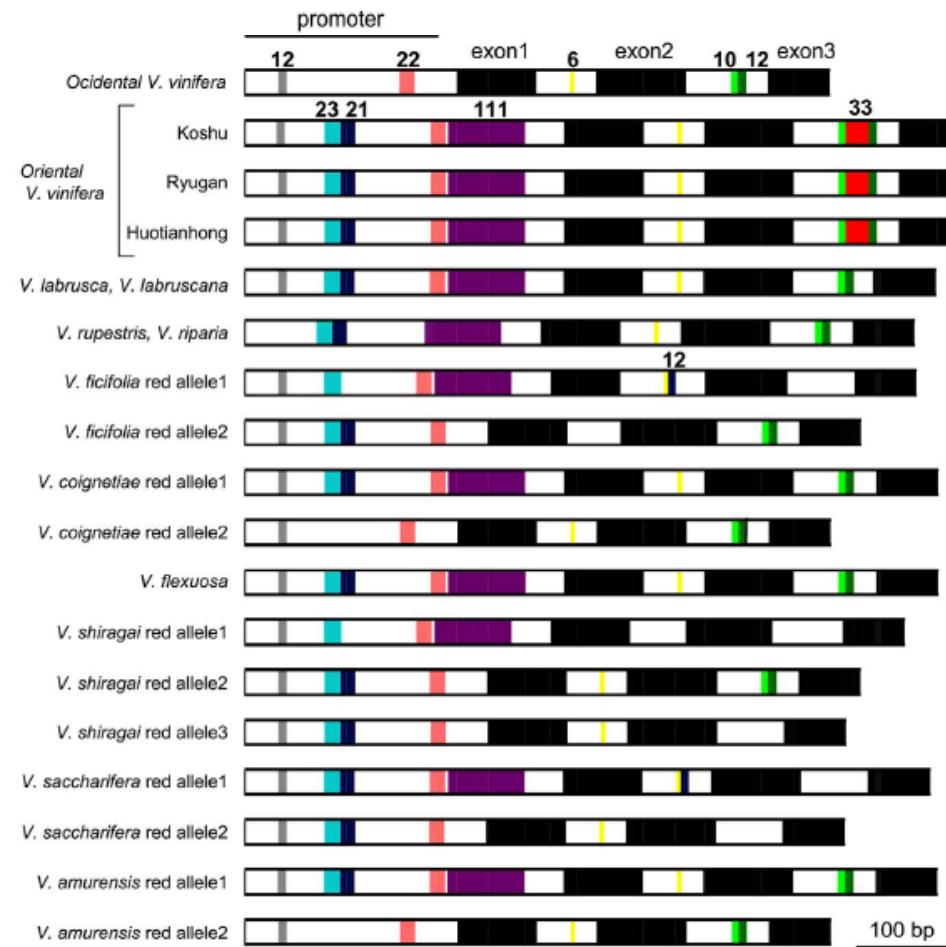


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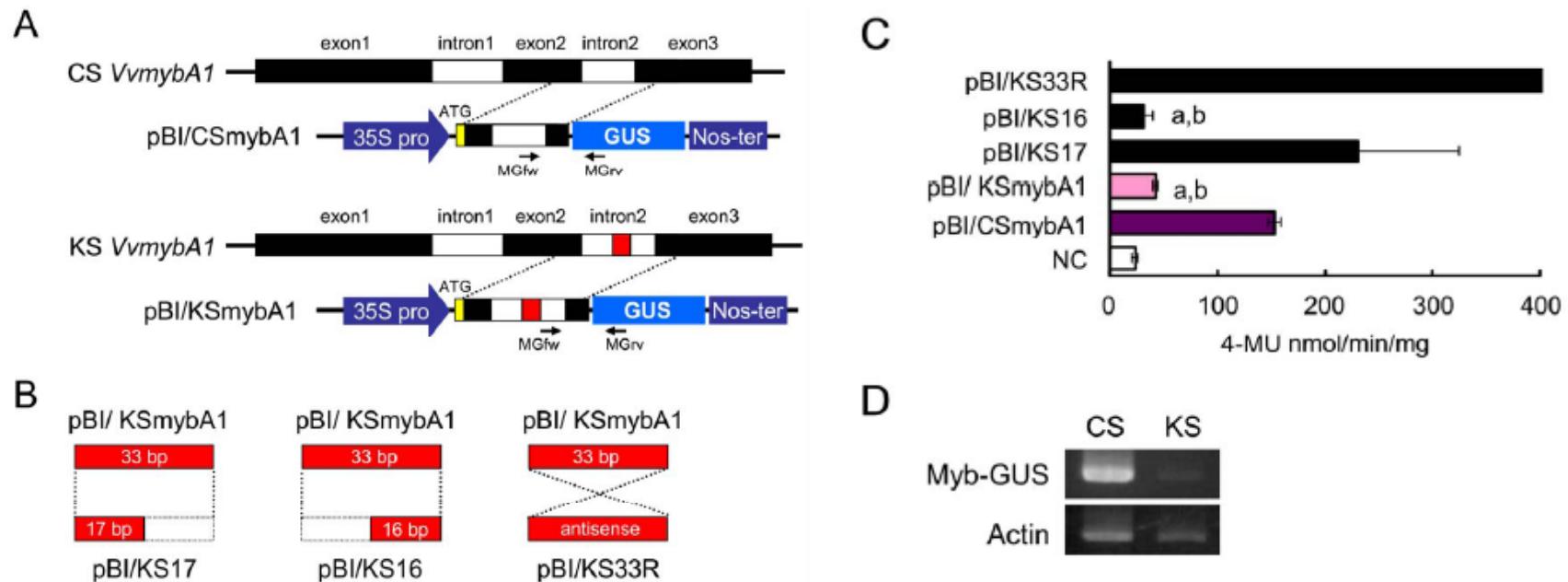


(A) Primer maps used for PCR analysis. (B) PCR analysis of white alleles in *Vitis* species using primer set a and c. (C) PCR analysis of red alleles in *Vitis* species using primer set b and c. Numbers on the right indicate the positions of the molecular size markers. These results represent reproducible data from three independent experiments. CS, Cabernet Sauvignon. Me, Merlot. Syr, Syrah. PN, Pinot Noir. KS, Koshu. Rie, Riesling. Cha, Chardonnay. Ryu, Ryugan. HU, Huotianhong. Vru, *V. rupestris*. Vri, *V. riparia*. Vlcon, *V. labrusca* cv. Concord. Vldela, *V. labruscana* cv. Delaware. Vfi, *V. ficifolia*. Vco, *V. coignetiae*. Vfl, *V. flexuosa*. Vshi, *V. shiragai*. Vsa, *V. saccharifera*. Vamu, *V. amurensis*.

Comparison of MybA1 gene structure in Vitis grapes

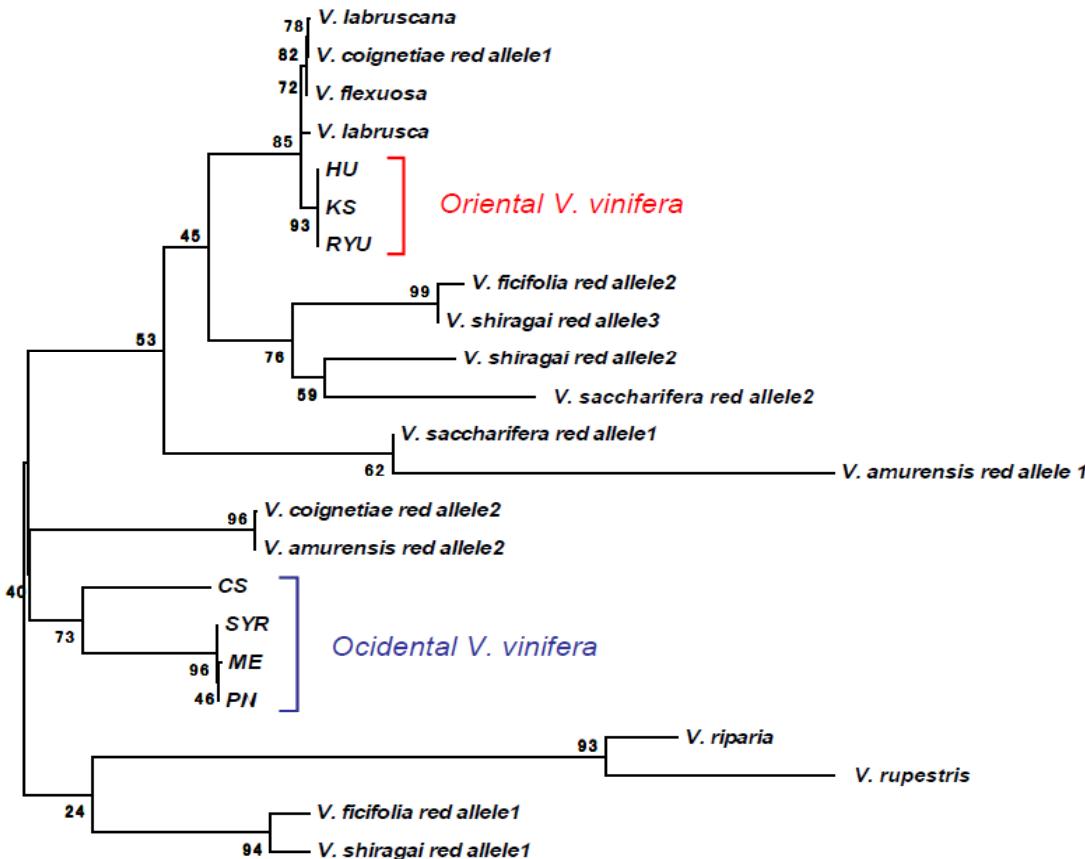


Effect of 33 bp short insertion on the transcription of a reporter gene



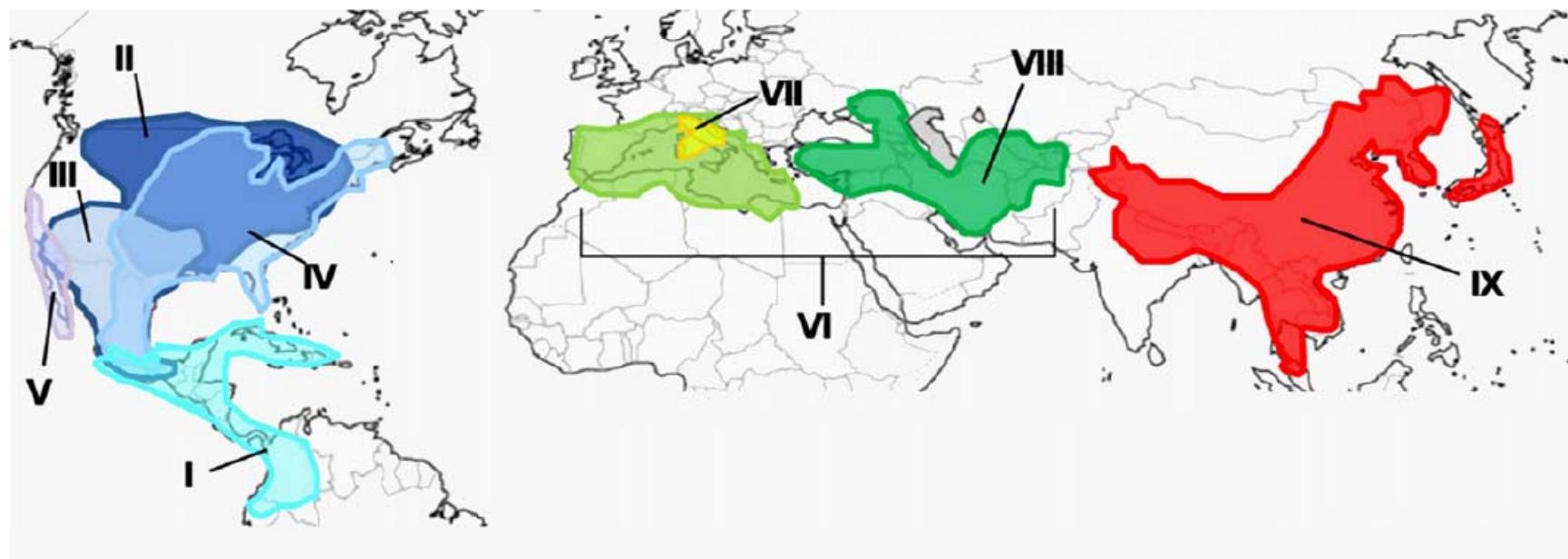
(A) Transformation constructs. Gene fragments from the second exon to the third exon, including the second intron, of Cabernet Sauvignon or Koshu MybA1 gene were inserted in front of the GUS reporter gene, resulting in pBI/CSmybA1 or pBI/KSmybA1 plant expression plasmids, respectively. Red boxes indicate the 33 bp short insertion in the second intron of Koshu MybA1. Yellow boxes indicate the ATG start codon. 35S pro, 35S promoter. Nos-ter, Nos terminator. (B) A schematic representation of the deletion (pBI/KS17 and pBI/KS16) and antisense (pBI/KS33R) mutants for 33 bp short insertion. The plant expression vectors having these mutants were constructed by procedures detailed in Methods. (C) GUS activity. BY-2 cells transformed by the plant expression vectors were used. GUS activity in the graph is expressed as the amount of 4-MU produced in one minute by one mg of protein extracted from the cells. a, p<0.01 as compared with pBI/CSmybA1. b, p<0.05 as compared with non-transformant cells (NC). (D) RT-PCR analysis. MybA1-GUS transcripts were detected by RT-PCR analysis using MGfw and MGrv primers. CS, pBI/CSmybA1. KS, pBI/KSmybA1. Myb-GUS, MybA1-GUS mRNA. Actin, an internal control.

Phylogenetic tree of *MybA1* genes of the red allele among grapes



Bootstrap values are indicated on the branches. CS, Cabernet Sauvignon. ME, Merlot. SYR, Syrah. PN, Pinot Noir. KS, Koshu. RYU, Ryugan. HU, Huotianhong.

Geographic distribution of wild grapes (subg. *Vitis*)



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