Supporting Information

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- 3 substrates from the COP1 ubiquitin ligase
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- Fig. S1: Conservation of cryptochrome 1-VP motifs in representative angiosperms.
- 33 34 35 36 37 38 Amino acid alignment of the CCT domains. The multiple sequence alignment was performed using Jalview (Mafft Default Settings). The framed amino acids are the core VP motif which includes VP1.
- VP1, VP2 and VP3 are indicated above the amino acid sequence.
- The intensity of blue color represents the percentage identity.

 At, Arabidopsis thaliana; Ah, Amaranthus hypochondriacus; Pt, Populus trichocarpa; Sl, Solanum lycopersicum; Os, Oryza sativa;
- 39 Zm,Zea mays; Sb, Sorghum bicolor; Hv, Hordeum vulgare.

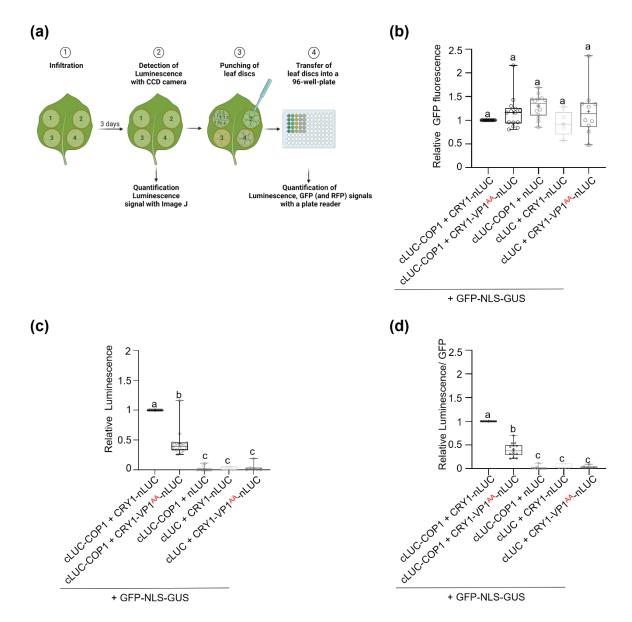


Fig. S2: Quantification of Luciferase complementation imaging (LCI) assay showing the interaction of COP1 and CRY1. (a) Analysis of LCI assay. (1) *N. benthamiana* leaf was infiltrated with *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* cell suspension at four distinct areas (area 1, 2, 3 and 4). (2) Three days after infiltration luminescence was imaged with a CCD-based camera and the signals were quantified by Image J. (3) Then, of the same leaf, for each infiltrated area, approximately 5 leaf discs were punched out. (4) Leaf discs were placed in a 96-well plate and the luminescence signal, the GFP and, if present, RFP emissions were detected by a plate reader. Created in BioRender. Hoecker, U. (2023) BioRender.com/a87k930. (b-d) COP1 was fused to cLUC, and CRY1 or CRY1 with VP1 mutated to Ala residues (CRY1-VP1^{AA}) were fused to nLUC. As expression control, GFP-NLS-GUS plasmid was coexpressed. (b) GFP signals and (c) Luminescence signals of leaves analyzed in Fig. 1C, were detected using an Infinite RM200 plate reader. (d) Luminescence was normalized to the GFP signal. The box plots show the respective signals for n = 14 leaves measured, except for the negative controls cLUC + CRY1-nLUC and cLUC + CRY1-VP1^{AA}-nLUC, which shows the signal of n = 5-10 leaves each; relative to the signal of cLUC-COP1 + CRY1-nLUC. Statistical differences were estimated using one-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's multiple comparison. Different letters indicate statistically significant differences ($p \le 0.05$).

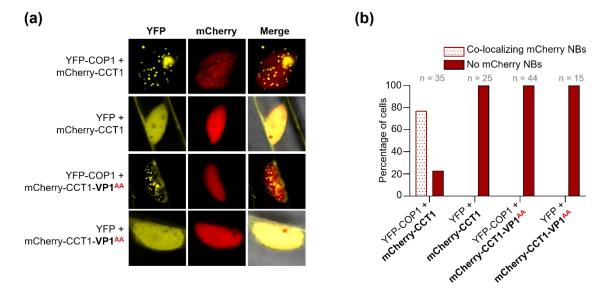


Fig. S3: The VP1 motif is essential for the interaction of CCT1 with COP1. (a) Representative confocal images of leek epidermal cells co-expressing mCherry-CCT1 or mCherry-CCT1-VP1^{AA} and YFP-COP1 or YFP after particle bombardment. (b) Percentage of cells that formed mCherry nuclear bodies (NBs) when indicated fusion proteins were co-expressed in leek epidermal cells. The number of cells analyzed is indicated above the bar.

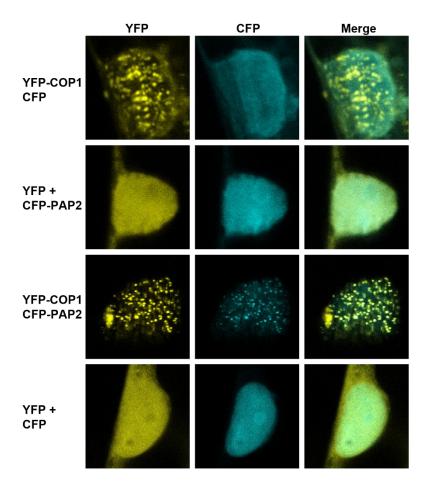


Fig. S4: COP1 recruits PAP2 into co-localizing nuclear bodies. Representative confocal images of leek epidermal cells coexpressing the indicated fusion proteins after particle bombardment. The representative confocal images for each channel were merged to show co-localization. The experiment was repeated twice.

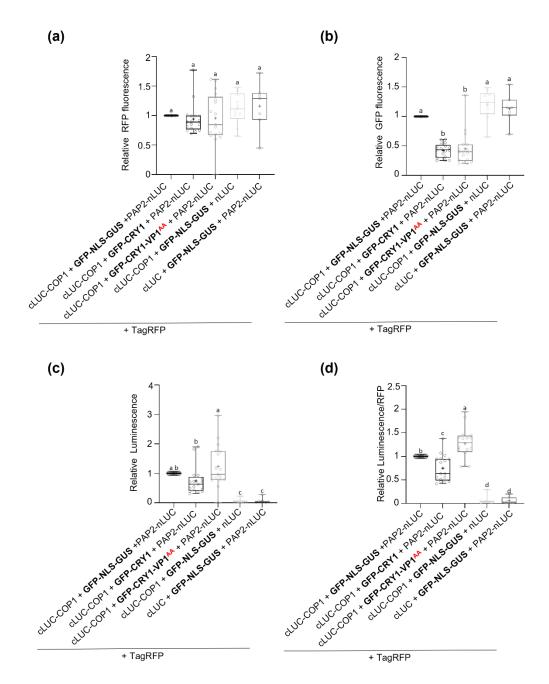


Fig. S5: Quantification of luciferase complementation imaging assay showing the interaction of COP1 and PAP2 in the presence of GFP-NLS-GUS, GFP-CRY1 or GFP-CRY1-VP1^{AA}. COP1 was fused to cLUC and PAP2 was fused to nLUC. As expression control, TagRFP was coexpressed. (a) RFP signals (b) GFP signals and (c) Luminescence signals of leaves analyzed in Figure 3D, were detected using an Infinite RM200 plate reader. (d) Luminescence was normalized to the RFP signal. The box plots show the respective signals for n = 16 leaves measured relative to the signal of cLUC-COP1 + GFP-NLS-GUS + PAP2-nLUC., except for the negative controls, which shows the signal of n = 10 (cLUC-COP1 + GFP-NLS-GUS + nLUC) or 6 (cLUC + GFP-NLS-GUS + PAP2-nLUC) leaves; Hinges, Whiskers, median and mean are represented as explained above. Statistical differences were estimated using one-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's multiple comparison. Different letters indicate statistically significant differences ($p \le 0.05$).

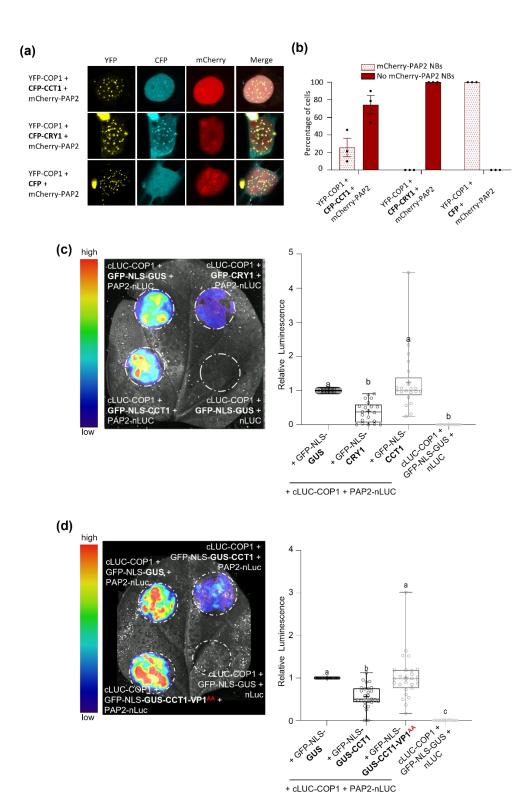


Fig. S6: The effect of CCT1 coexpression on the COP1-PAP2 interaction(a) Representative confocal images of leek epidermal cells co-expressing the indicated fusion proteins after particle bombardment. (b) Percentage of cells that formed mCherry-PAP2 nuclear bodies (NBs) co-localizing with YFP-COP1 when indicated fusion proteins were co-expressed in leek epidermal cells. The experiment was repeated three times, with 25 cells being evaluated for each combination in each experiment. Bars show the mean

 \pm SEM. Dots represent the mean value of the independent experiments. (**c**, **d**) LCI assay showing the interaction of COP1 and PAP2 in presence of (**c**) GFP-NLS-GUS, GFP-CRY1, or GFP-NLS-CCT1 or (**d**) GFP-NLS-GUS, GFP-NLS-GUS-CCT1 or GFP-NLS-GUS-CCT1 or GFP-NLS-GUS-CCT1-VP1^{AA}. COP1 was fused to cLUC and PAP2 to nLUC. (Left) Image of luminescence in a representative transfected *N. benthamiana* leaf. (Right) Relative luminescence signal in transfected leaves as measured using a CCD camera. The box plots show the relative luminescence signal for (c) n = 21 or (d) n = 26 leaves. Hinges, Whiskers, median and mean are represented as explained above. Statistical differences were estimated using one-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's multiple comparison. Different letters indicate statistically significant differences (p \leq 0.05). The experiments were repeated twice with similar results.

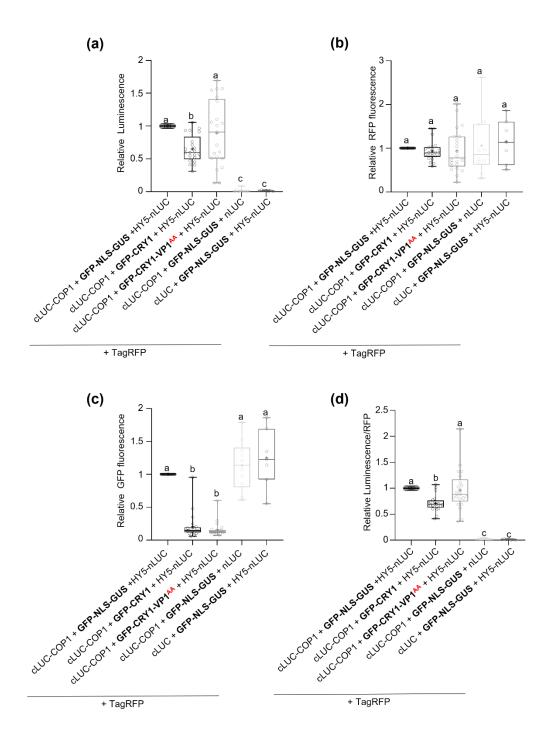


Fig. S7: Quantification of luciferase complementation imaging assay showing the interaction of COP1 and HY5 in the presence of GFP-NLS-GUS, GFP-CRY1 or GFP-CRY1-VP1 AA . COP1 was fused to cLUC and HY5 was fused to nLUC. As expression control, TagRFP was coexpressed. (a) Luminescence signal, (b) RFP signal and (c) GFP signal of leaves analyzed in Figure 4A were detected using an Infinite RM200 plate reader. (d) Tag-RFP-normalized luminescence (luminescence/TagRFP). The box plots show the respective signals for n = 22 leaves measured relative to the signal of cLUC-COP1 + GFP-NLS-GUS + HY5-nLUC. Hinges, Whiskers, median and mean are represented as explained above. Statistical differences were estimated using

- one-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's multiple comparison. Different letters indicate statistically significant differences (p \leq
- 95 0.05).

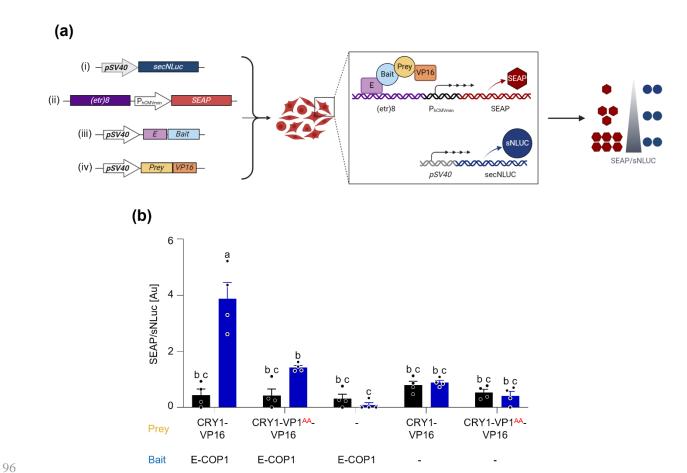


Fig. S8: CRY1 interacts with COP1 via its VP1 motif in the mammalian two-hybrid system. (a) General overview of the mammalian two-hybrid system. CHO-H1 cells were transiently co-transfected with four plasmids: (i) normalisation plasmid: expresses secreted NanoLuciferase (sNLuc) under the control of the constitutively active simian virus 40 promoter (pSV40). (ii) reporter plasmid: expresses the human placental secreted alkaline phosphatase (SEAP) under the control of minimal human cytomegalovirus promoter (PhCMVmin) fused to the octameric E-specific operator site (etr)8. (iii) bait plasmid: constitutively expresses the protein of interest 1 fused to the DNA-binding erythromycin repressor protein (E). (iv) prey plasmid: constitutively expresses the protein of interest 2 fused to the Herpes simplex virus-derived transactivation domain (VP16). Upon interaction between the bait and prey proteins, the transactivation domain VP16 is brought into close proximity of the CMV minimal promoter, recruiting the transcription machinery and activating the expression of the SEAP reporter gene. sNLuc is constitutively coexpressed for normalization. Both SEAP and sNLuc are secreted into the cell culture medium. The levels of SEAP and sNLuc are then measured and quantified as a readout for protein-protein interaction. Created in BioRender. Hoecker, U. (2024) BioRender.com/ x54q349. (b) CHO-K1 cells were transiently co-transfected with the SEAP reporter plasmid, the normalisation plasmid, CRY1 or CRY1-VP1^{AA} fused to VP16 and COP1 fused to E. Cells were kept in the darkness or illuminated with blue light (10 µmol m⁻² s⁻¹) for 24 hours. SEAP and sNLuc values were determined in the cell culture medium. Dots represent the values of biological replicates. Statistical differences were estimated using or two-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's multiple comparison. Different letters indicate statistically significant differences (p \leq 0.05). Error bars indicate SEM. Dots represent the values of biological replicates. The experiment was repeated twice with similar results.

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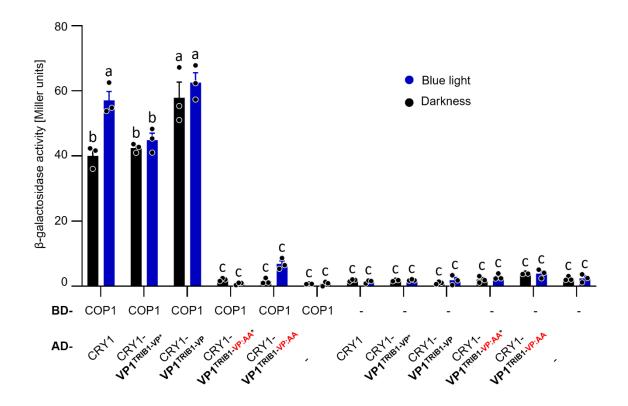


Fig. S9: CRY1-TRIB1 chimeras interact with COP1. Yeast two-hybrid assays with COP1 as bait and CRY1 variants as prey. Co-transformed yeast cells grew in darkness for 2 days (Darkness) or for 1 d in darkness, followed by exposure to 50 μ mol m⁻² s⁻¹ blue light for 1 d (Blue light). Statistical differences were estimated using one-way ANOVA followed by Tukey 's multiple comparison. Different letters indicate statistical differences (p \leq 0.05). Error bars indicate SEM. Dots represent the values of biological replicates. The experiment was repeated once with similar results.

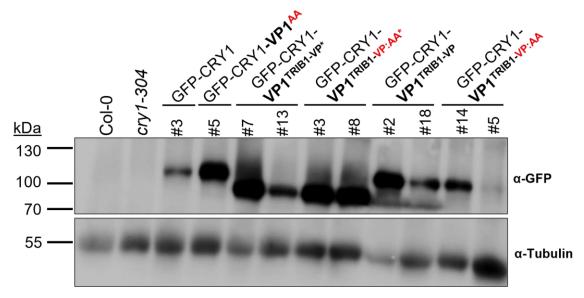


Fig. S10: Immunoblot analysis of transgenic *cry1-304* seedlings expressing GFP-CRY1, GFP-CRY1-VP1^{AA}, GFP-CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP}, GFPCRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP} or GFP-CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP} ander the control of the 35S promoter. Proteins of 7-day-old seedlings grown in 2.5 μ mol m⁻² s⁻¹ continuous blue light were extracted in SDS buffer. Line numbers (#) indicate independent transgenic lines. GFP-tagged proteins were detected by an α -GFP antibody. Tubulin levels detected by α -Tubulin are shown as loading control. The experiment was repeated twice with similar results

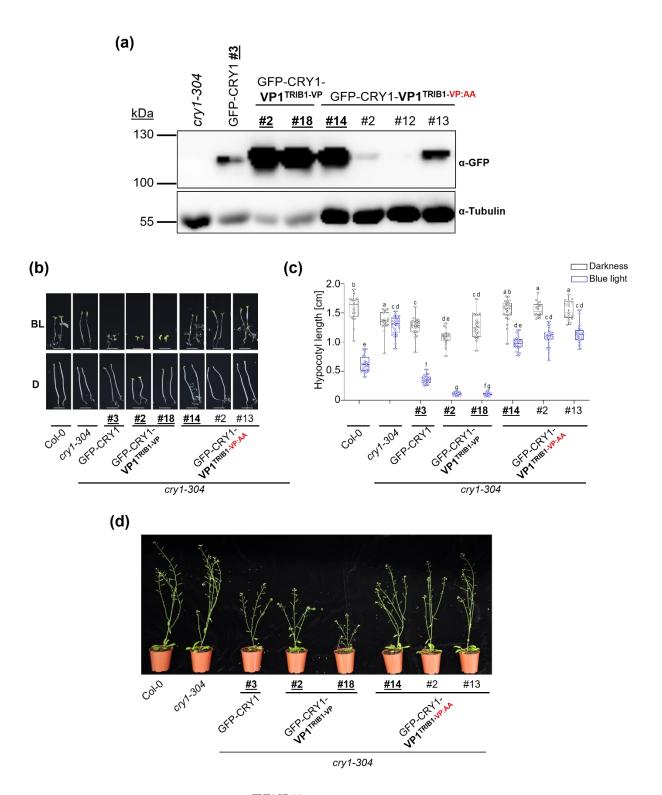


Fig. S11: None of the tested GFP-CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP:AA} *cry1-304* lines complemented the *cry1-304* mutant phenotype. (a) Immunoblot analysis of transgenic *cry1-304* seedlings expressing GFP-CRY1, GFP-CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP} or GFP-CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP} or

131 (b-d) Phenotypic analysis of transgenic cry1-304 mutants expressing the indicated CRY1 mutant variant fused to GFP. (b, c) 132 Hypocotyl length and pictures of representative 7-day-old seedlings grown in darkness (D) or 2.5 µmol m² s⁻¹ blue light (BL) 133 compared with WT (Col-0) and cry1-304. Box plots are shown for n > 20 seedlings. Hinges, Whiskers, median and mean are 134 represented as explained above. Differences between genotypes were estimated using two-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's 135 multiple comparison. Different letters indicate statistically significant differences (p \leq 0.05). (Scale bar = 0.5 cm). Data points 136 outside the whiskers are plotted as rectangles. (d) Phenotype of 5-week-old adult plants grown under long-day conditions. All transgenes were expressed under the control of the 35S promoter. Transgenic lines with bold and underlined line numbers were 137 homozygous for the transgene (T4 generations), lines with non-bold line numbers were segregating for the transgene (T3 138 139 generations).

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Methods S1: Cloning of constructs used in this study

- Primers used for cloning are listed in Table S1. All plasmids used are listed in Table S2.
- The CDS of CRY1 or CCT1 was amplified from pDONR221-CRY1 (Holtkotte et al., 2017). The
- 144 CDS of CRY1-VP1^{AA} or CCT1-VP1^{AA} was amplified from pDONR221-CRY1-VP1^{AA} (Ponnu et
- 145 al., 2019).

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1. Plasmids for plant transformation

- The constructs for plant transformation 35S:GFP-CRY1 and 35S:GFP-CRY1-VP1^{AA} were
- generated via Gateway® LR reaction using the entry clones pDONR221-CRY1 (Holtkotte et al.,
- 2017) and pDONR221-CRY1-VP1^{AA} (Ponnu *et al.*, 2019) respectively and the destination vector
- pFAST-R06 (Shimada et al., 2010).
- DNA fragments of chimeric CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP} constructs were generated by overhang-extension
- PCR. CRY1 (1-1629 bp), with a 3' overhang of the TRIB1 VP motif sequence and a 5' overhang
- for Gibson assembly into pENTR3C, was amplified using oLT029 and oLT032 as primers and
- pB42AD_CYR1 (Ponnu et al., 2019) as template. Next, CRY1 (1660-2046 bp) with a 5' overhang
- of the TRIB1 VP motif sequence and a 3' overhang for Gibson assembly into pENTR3C was
- amplified using oLT031 and oLT030 as primers and pB42AD_CYR1 (Ponnu et al., 2019) as
- template. Both fragments were then fused in an overhang extension PCR by adding both fragments
- in one reaction as templates and using oLT029 and oLT030 as primers. The generated fragment
- was cloned into BamHI and XhoI restriction sites of *pENTR3C* via Gibson assembly. To generate
- the chimeric CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP*} construct, CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1*} was amplified in an overhang PCR
- with pENTR3C-CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1} as template and oLT029 and oLT037 as primers. The generated

- fragment was cloned into XhoI and BamHI digested *pENTR3C* via Gibson assembly. CRY1-VP1-
- TRIB1^{VP:AA*} and CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP:AA} were created by introducing VP to AA mutations in the
- respective entry clones (pENTR3C-CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP} and pENTR3C- CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP*})
- trough site-directed mutagenesis using oLT130 and oLT131 (CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP:AA}) or oLT128
- and oLT129 (CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP:AA*}) as primers. The generated entry clones pENTR3C-CRY1-
- VP1^{TRIB1-VP}, pENTR3C-CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP*}, pENTR3C-CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP:AA}, pENTR3C-
- 169 CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP:AA*} were cloned into pFAST-R06 (Shimada et al., 2010) via Gateway® LR
- reaction.
- 2. <u>Plasmids for co-localization and FRET-FLIM assays</u>
- pAMARENA (Steffens et al., 2014), pENSG-YFP and pENSG-CFP (Laubinger et al., 2006) were
- used for N-terminal tagging with mCherry, YFP and CFP respectively. The plasmids YFP-COP1,
- 174 CFP-PAP2, mCherry-PAP2, mCherry-CRY1 and mCherry-CRY1-VP1^{AA} were described before
- (Maier et al., 2013; Ordoñez-Herrera et al., 2018; Ponnu et al., 2019). CFP-CRY1 and CFP-CRY1-
- VP1^{AA} were cloned via Gateway® LR reaction using the entry clones pDONR221-CRY1 and
- pDONR221-CRY1-VP1^{AA} (Holtkotte et al., 2017; Ponnu et al., 2019) and the destination vector
- pENSG-CFP. mCherry-CCT1 and mCherry-CCT1-VP1^{AA} (Ponnu et al, 2019) were cloned via
- Gateway® LR reaction using the entry clones and the destination vector pAMARENA.
- 3. Plasmids for Luciferase-Complementation assays
- All cLUC and cLUC expression clones were generated by conventional digestion-ligation cloning.
- The CRY1 and CRY1-VP1^{AA} CDS were amplified with the primer combination oLT159 and
- oLT160 and cloned into the pCambia1300-nLUC vector (Chen et al., 2008) using KpnI and SalI
- restriction sites. The PAP2 CDS was amplified with the primer combination oLT139 and oLT140
- and the HY5 CDS was amplified with the with the primer combination oLT165 and oLT164. PAP2
- and HY5 CDS were both cloned into the pCambia1300-nLUC vector (Chen et al., 2008) using
- KpnI and SalI restriction sites. The *COP1* CDS was amplified with primer combination oLT137
- and oLT138 and cloned into the pCambia1300-cLUC vector (Chen et al., 2008) using KpnI and
- 189 SalI restriction sites.
- To generate the GPF-NLS-GUS construct, NLS-GUS was amplified from pJP217_pFAST-R02-
- 191 GUS-GW using oLT146 and oLT147 as primer pair and introduced into pENTR3C
- (Thermofisher) via Gibson assembly (Gibson *et al.*, 2009) using XhoI and BamHI restriction sites.

- Next, the generated entry clone pENTR3C-NLS-GUS was cloned into pFAST-R06 (Shimada et
- 194 al., 2010), via Gateway® LR reaction (Thermofisher) to generate the GFP-NLS-GUS construct.
- The generation of the GFP-CRY1 and GFP-CRY1-VP1^{AA} is described in the plasmids for plant
- transformation section.
- To generate the GFP-NLS-CCT1 construct, pENTR3C-NLS-CCT1 (Ponnu et al., 2019) was
- cloned into into pFAST-R06 (Shimada *et al.*, 2010), via Gateway® LR reaction (Thermofisher).
- To generate the GFP-NLS-GUS-CCT1 and GFP-NLS-GUS-CCT1-VP1^{AA} constructs, NLS-GUS
- was amplified from pJP217_pFAST-R02-GUS-GW using oLT146 and oLT235 and CCT1 or
- 201 CCT1-VP1AA were PCR amplified with oLT236 and oLT030. The amplified NLS-GUS and
- 202 CCT1 or CCT1-VP1AA was cloned into XhoI and BamHI digested pENTR3C using the
- ClonExpress II One Step Cloning Kit (Vazyme). Next, the generated entry clones pENTR3C-NLS-
- GUS-CCT1 and pENTR3C-NLS-GUS-CCT1-VP1^{AA} were cloned into pFAST-R06 (Shimada et
- 205 al., 2010), via Gateway® LR reaction (Thermofisher) to generate the GFP-NLS-GUS-CCT1 and
- 206 GFP-NLS-GUS-CCT1-VP1^{AA} constructs.
- 207 4. <u>Plasmids for yeast three-hybrid assay</u>
- For Y2H studies, LexA based BD- and AD-vectors (pEG202 (pLexA)-GW and pB42ADGW)
- were used (Ponnu et al., 2019). The clones BD-COP1 and AD-CRY1 were already described
- (Holtkotte *et al.*, 2017). To generate the clones AD-CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP}, AD-CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP*},
- AD-CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP:AA} and AD-CRY1-VP1^{TRIB1-VP:AA*}, the respective entry clones generated
- for plant transformation were cloned into pB42ADGW (Ponnu et al., 2019) via Gateway® LR
- 213 reaction.
- 5. Plasmids for yeast three-hybrid assay
- Y3H assays were performed in the Y190 yeast strain (ClontechTM) using pBridge as bait- and
- pACT2-GW (Clontech) or pGADT7 as prey-vectors in GAL4 system. The yeast vector pGADT7-
- 217 COP1 was generated and provided by Lau et al., (2019). To generate pACT2-AD-PAP2, the entry
- clone PAP2-pENTR (Maier et al., 2013) was recombined into the destination vector pACT2-GW
- (Clontech, modified by Uhrig *et al*, (2004) using Gateway® LR reaction.
- The construct pBridge-BD-COP1-E was generated by amplifying COP1 CDS and clone it via
- ClonExpress II One Step Cloning Kit (Vazyme) into pBridge-E-E using EcoRI and BamHI
- restriction sites. To generate pBridge-BD-COP1-CRY1, pBridge-COP1-E was amplified with

- oLT187 and oLT188, and CRY1 CDS was amplified with oLT189 and oLT186. Both amplicons
- were used in a ClonExpress II One Step reaction to generate the final plasmid. Similary, CRY1-
- 225 VP1^{AA} was amplified with oLT189 and oLT186, CCT1 and CCT1-VP1^{AA} with oLT192 and
- oLT186 and cloned into the PCR amplified pBridge-COP1-E using the ClonExpress II One Step
- Cloning Kit (Vazyme). To generate the other CCT1 or CCT1-VP1^{AA} expression clones, *CCT1* or
- 228 CCT1-VP1^{AA} were PCR amplified with oLT170 and oLT154 and ligated into Eco52I and PstI
- digested pBridge-E-E or pBridge-HY5-E (Lau et al., 2019). The final plasmids were pBridge-E-
- 230 CCT1 or pBridge-E-CCT1-VP1^{AA} and pBridge-BD-HY5-CCT1 or pBridge-BD-HY5-CCT1-
- VP1^{AA} respectively.
- 232 6. Plasmids for mammalian two- and three-hybrid assays
- All plasmids for the M2H and M3H system were constructed using AQUA cloning (Beyer et al.,
- 234 2015). For pFK012 the insert COP1 was amplified from the template pDONR221-COP1
- 235 (Holtkotte et al., 2017) using the primers oFK097 and oFK098, creating overhangs according to
- the backbone pJS204. The backbone was amplified using oJS178 and oJS045. Using the AQUA
- cloning the insert with the overhangs was inserted into the backbone.
- To create the plasmid pFK0112 the insert HY5 was amplified from pDONR221_HY5 using the
- primers oFK104 and oFK115 and inserted into the backbone pJS207 which was amplified using
- the primers oJS155 and oJS093.
- To generate pFK0124 first pDONR221-HY5-VP^{AA} was generated. The VP to AA mutation in
- pDONR221-HY5 was generated through site-directed mutagenesis and oLT198 and oLT199 as
- primers. Then HY5-VP^{AA} was amplified from pDONR221-HY5-VP^{AA} and inserted into the PCR
- amplified pJS207 as described above.
- Plasmid pFK0114 was created by amplifying the insert CRY1 from pDONR221-CRY1 (Holtkotte
- 246 et al., 2017) using the primers oFK108 and oFK117. The insert was then inserted into the backbone
- pJS207 as described above. Similarly, the plasmid pFK01292 was created but amplifying the insert
- 248 CRY1-VP:AA from pDONR221-CRY1-VP1^{AA} (Ponnu et al., 2019).
- To create plasmids pFK0129 and pFK01291 the inserts CRY1 and CRY1-VP:AA were amplified
- 250 from the templates pDONR221-CRY1 (Holtkotte et al., 2017) and pDONR221-CRY1-VP1^{AA}
- (Ponnu et al., 2019) using the primers oFK130 and oFK272 and inserted into the backbone
- pFK0122 which was amplified using primers oJS099 and oJS045.

For the normalisation element pFK041 the insert secNLuc was amplified from the template pUU221 using the primers oFK151 and oFK152 and inserted into the backbone pLK090 which was amplified using primers oJS338 and oDD549.

Table S1: List of primers used in this study

Primers to generate plasmids for plant transformation ID name Sequence			
oLT029	CRY1-gib_fwd	ggaaccaattcagtcgactgGCATGTCTGGTTCTGTATCTG	
oLT030	CRY1-gib_rev	gaaagctgggtctagatatcTTACCCGGTTTGTGAAAG	
oLT031	CRY1-TRIB1-	ttgttccagagtaccaggagTCTTTGATCAGACCTGAAGA	
0L1031	ov_fwd CRY1-TRIB1*-	inglice agagiace aggagie i i i o i o i o i o i o i o i o i o i	
oLT037	gib-rev	gaaagctgggtctagatatcctctcactcctggtactctggaacaatct	
oLT128	CRY1-TRIB1- VP_AA*_fwd	agatattcagatcagattGCTGCTgagtaccaggagTGAgag	
oLT129	CRY1-TRIB1- VP_AA*_rev	ctcTCActcctggtactCAGCAGcaatctgatctgaatatct	
oLT130	CRY1-TRIB1- VP_AA_fwd	agatattcagatcagattGCTGCTgagtaccaggagtctttg	
oLT131	CRY1-TRIB1- VP_AA_rev	caaagactcctggtactCAGCAGcaatctgatctgaatatct	
Primers		mids for LCI assays	
ID	name	Sequence	
oLT030	CRY1-gib_rev	gaaagetgggtetagatateTTACCCGGTTTGTGAAAG	
oLT137	KpnI-COP1_fwd	cgcagcgGTACCatggaagagatttcgacggatcc	
oLT138	SalI-Stop- COP1_rev	tgcaggtcgaCctacgcagcgagtaccagaac	
oLT139	KpnI-PAP2_fwd	cgacgcgGTACCatgGAGGGTTCGTCCAAAG	
oLT140	SalI-PAP2_rev	ctgcaggtcgaCATCAAGTTCAACAGTCTCTCC	
oLT146	NLS- GUS_Gib_fwd	ccaattcagtcgactggatccatgcctaagaagaagagaaaggttttacgtcctgtagaa	
oLT147	NLS- GUS_Gib_rev	gctgggtctagatatctcgatgtttgcctccctgctgcgg	
oLT159	KpnI-CRY1_fwd	cgacgcgGTACCATGTCTGGTTCTGTATCTG	
oLT160	SalI-CRY1_rev	ctgcaggtcgaCCCCGGTTTGTGAAAGCCG	
oLT164	SalI-HY5_rev	tcgagcGTCGACAAGGCTTGCATCAGCATTAGAACCA	
oLT165	KpnI-NLS- HY5_fwd	gctcgaGGTACCatgcctaagaagaagaagagttATGCAGGAACAAGCGACTAGC	
oLT235	CCT1_rev	tagttgccacatctgcatttgtttgcctccctgctgc	
oLT236	CCT1-GUS_fwd	cgcagcagggaggcaaacaaatgcagatgtggcaacta	
Primers	to generate plas	mids for Y3H assays	
ID	name	Sequence	
oLT154	PstI-CRY1_rev	tcgagcctgcagTTACCCGGTTTGTGAAAGC	
oLT170	Eco52I- CCT1_fwd	gctcgacggccggtcgaatgcagatgtggcaa	
oLT186	CRY1_CE II_rev	cccgaagatcctacctaggcTTACCCGGTTTGTGAAAGCC	
oLT187	pB-COP1_CE II_fwd	GCCTAGGTAGGATCTTCGGGC	
oLT188	pB-COP1_CE II_rev	tGCAGAGATCTACCGGCCG	
oLT189	CRY1_CE II_fwd	gcggccggtagatctctgcgcATGTCTGGTTCTGTATCTGGTTGTG	

Primers to generate plasmids for M2H assays			
ID	name	Sequence	
oLT198	HY5_VP-AA_fwd	GAGGAGATACGGCGAGCTGCTGAGTTTGGAGGAGAAGC	
oLT199	HY5_VP-AA_rev	GCTTCTCCTCCAAACTCAGCAGCTCGCCGTATCTCCTC	
oFK097	COP1_E_fwd	ctccaggcacatgcgtccgcgtacagccgcATGGAAGAGATTTCGACGGATCCGGTTGTT	
oFK098	COP1_E_rev	aagettgggetgeaggtegactctagaCTATCACGCAGCGAGTACCAGAACTTTGATGGT	
oFK104	HY5_VP16_fwd	aggtcccggatcgaattgcggccgccaccATGCAGGAACAAGCGACTAGCTCTTTAGCT	
oFK108	CRY1_VP16_fwd	aggtcccggatcgaattgcggccgccaccatgtctggttctgtatctggttgtggttct	
oFK115	HY5_VP16_rev	agacccgtaattgtttttcgtacgcgcGCgAAGGCTTGCATCAGCATTAGAACCACCACC	
oFK117	CRY1_VP16_fwd	agacccgtaattgtttttcgtacgcgcGCgcccggtttgtgaaagccttctccagttcag	
oFK130	CRY1_fwd	cgaattgcggccgcaggaggcgccaccatgatgtctggttctgtatctggttgtggttct	
oFK272	CRY1_rev	tcgactctagattacaccttccgctttttcttgggcccggtttgtgaaagccttctccag	
oFK151	sNLUC_fwd	ttttatttcaggtcccggatcggaattgcgatgaactccttctccacaagcgccttcggt	
oFK152	sNLUC_rev	atgtatcttatcatgtctggatcgaagcttttacgccagaatgcgttcgcacagccgcca	
oJS045	BB_pFK0122_rev	TCTAGAGTCGACCTGCAGCC	
oJS093	BB_pJS207_fwd	cgcgcgtacgaaaaac	
oJS099	BB_pFK0122_fwd	GGTGGCGCCTCCTGC	
oJS155	BB_pJS207_rev	gcggccgcaattcgatc	
oJS178	BB_pJS204_fwd	ggctgtacgcggacg	
oJS338	BB_pLK090_fwd	gtcaattccgatccgggacc	
oDD549	BB_pLK090_rev	AAGCTTCGATCCAGACATGATAAGA	

Table S2: List of materials used in this study

Antibodies used in this study			
Antibody	Source	Code	
α-GFP-HRP	Miltenyi Biotec (Bergisch Gladbach, Germany)	Cat: 130-091-833	
α-COP1	(Balcerowicz et al., 2011)	N/A	
α-HSC70	Enzo Life Sciences (Lörrach, Germany)	Cat: SPA-817	
α-Tubulin	Sigma-Aldrich (Munich, Germany)	Cat: T5168	
α-mouse IgG-HRP	Sigma-Aldrich (Munich, Germany)	Cat: 12-349	
α-rabbit IgG-HRP	ThermoFisher Scientific	Cat: 31460	
Organisms/Strains			
Strain	Source	Alias	
Plant: Col-0	Arabidopsis Biological Resource Center (ABRC)	Col-0	
Plant: cry1-304 (Col-0)	(Mockler et al., 1999)	cry1-304	
Plant: cop1-4 (Col-0)	(McNellis et al., 1994)	cop1-4	

Plant: 35S:GFP-CRY1 (cry1-304)	This study	GFP-CRY1
Plant: 35S:GFP-CRY1-VP1 ^{AA} (cry1-304)	This study	GFP-CRY1-VP1 ^{AA}
Plant: 35S:GFP-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1} (cry1-304)	This study	GFP-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1}
Plant: 35S:GFP-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1*} (cry1-304)	This study	GFP-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1*}
Plant: 35S:GFP-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1-VP:AA} (cry1-304)	This study	GFP-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1-VP:AA}
Plant: 35S:GFP-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1} -VP:AA* (cry1-304)	This study	GFP-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1-VP:AA*}
Yeast: Y190	(Harper et al., 1993), Clontech	N/A
Plasmids		
Name	Source	Alias
pDONR221-CRY1	(Holtkotte et al., 2017)	N/A
pDONR221-CRY1-VP1 ^{AA}	(Ponnu et al., 2019)	N/A
pDONR221-COP1	(Holtkotte et al., 2017)	N/A
pB42AD_CYR1	(Ponnu et al., 2019)	N/A
pENTR3C-NLS-CCT1	(Ponnu et al., 2019)	N/A
pENTR3C-NLS-CCT1-VP1 ^{AA}	(Ponnu et al., 2019)	N/A
pENTR3C-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1}	This study	N/A
pENTR3C-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1*}	This study	N/A
pENTR3C-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1-VP:AA}	This study	N/A
pENTR3C-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1-VP:AA*}	This study	N/A
pENTR3C-NLS-GUS-CCT1	This study	N/A
pDONR221-HY5	This study	N/A
pDONR221-HY5-VP ^{AA}	This study	N/A
pFAST-R06	(Shimada <i>et al.</i> , 2010)	N/A
pFAST-R06-CRY1	This study	GFP-CRY1 (LCI and Floral Dipping)
pFAST-R06-CRY1-VP1 ^{AA}	This study	GFP-CRY1-VP1 ^{AA} (LCI and Floral Dipping)
pFAST-R06-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1}	This study	N/A (Floral Dipping)
pFAST-R06-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1*}	This study	N/A (Floral Dipping)
pFAST-R06-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1-VP:AA}	This study	N/A (Floral Dipping)
pFAST-R06-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1-VP:AA*}	This study	N/A (Floral Dipping)
pAMARENA	(Steffens et al., 2014)	mCherry (Particle Bombardment)
pENSG-YFP	(Laubinger et al., 2006)	YFP (Particle Bombardment)
pENSG-CFP	(Laubinger et al., 2006)	CFP (Particle Bombardment)
pENSG-YFP-COP1	(Ordoñez-Herrera et al., 2018)	YFP-COP1 (Particle Bombardment)
pENSG-CFP-PAP2	(Maier et al., 2013)	CFP-PAP2 (Particle Bombardment)
pAMARENA-PAP2	(Ponnu et al., 2019)	mCherry-PAP2 (Particle Bombardment)
pAMARENA-CRY1	(Ponnu et al., 2019)	mCherry-CRY1 (Particle Bombardment)
pAMARENA-CRY1-VP1 ^{AA}	(Ponnu et al., 2019)	mCherry-CRY1-VP1 ^{AA} (Particle Bombardment)
pENSG-CFP-CRY1	This study	CFP-CRY1 (Particle Bombardment)

pENSG-CFP-CRY1-VP1 ^{AA}	This study	CFP-CRY1-VP1 ^{AA} (Particle Bombardment)
pAMARENA-CCT1	This study	mCherry-CCT1 (Particle Bombardment)
pAMARENA-CCT1-VP1 ^{AA}	This study	mCherry-CCT1-VP1 ^{AA} (Particle Bombardment)
pCambia1300-nLUC	(Chen et al., 2008)	nLUC (LCI)
pCambia1300-cLUC	(Chen et al., 2008)	cLUC (LCI)
pCambia1300-nLUC-CRY1	This study	nLUC-CRY1 (LCI)
pCambia1300-nLUC-CRY1-VP1 ^{AA}	This study	nLUC-CRY1-VP1 ^{AA} (LCI)
pCambia1300-nLUC-PAP2	This study	nLUC-PAP2 (LCI)
pCambia1300-nLUC-HY5	This study	nLUC-HY5 (LCI)
pCambia1300-cLUC-COP1	This study	cLUC-COP1 (LCI)
pJP217_pFAST-R02-GUS-GW	This study	N/A (Binary vector with seed RFP marker for overexpressing GUS-fusion proteins)
pENTR3C-NLS-GUS	This study	N/A
pFASTR06-NLS-GUS	This study	GFP-NLS-GUS (LCI)
pFASTR06-NLS-CCT1	This study	GFP-NLS-CCT1 (LCI)
pFASTR06-NLS-GUS-CCT1	This study	GFP-NLS-GUS-CCT1 (LCI)
pFASTR06-NLS-GUS-CCT1-VP1 ^{AA}	This study	GFP-NLS-GUS-CCT1-VP1 ^{AA} (LCI)
pEG202-(pLexA)-GW	(Ponnu et al., 2019)	BD (Y2H)
pB42ADGW	(Ponnu et al., 2019)	AD (Y2H)
pEG202-BD-COP1	(Holtkotte et al., 2017)	BD-COP1 (Y2H)
pB42AD-CRY1	(Holtkotte et al., 2017)	AD-CRY1 (Y2H)
pB42AD-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1-VP}	This study	AD-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1-VP} (Y2H)
pB42AD-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1-VP*}	This study	AD-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1-VP*} (Y2H)
pB42AD-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1-VP:AA}	This study	AD-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1-VP:AA} (Y2H)
pB42AD-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1-VP:AA*}	This study	AD-CRY1-VP1 ^{TRIB1-VP:AA*} (Y2H)
pBridge	Clontech	N/A
pACT2-GW	(Uhrig et al., 2004)	AD (Y3H)
pGADT7-COP1	(Lau et al., 2019)	AD-COP1 (Y3H)
pACT2-AD-PAP2	This study	AD-PAP2 (Y2H)
pBridge-BD-COP1-E	This study	BD-COP1 (Y3H)
pBridge-BD-COP1-CRY1	This study	BD-COP1; Bridge-CRY1 (Y3H)
pBridge-BD-COP1-CRY1-VP1 ^{AA}	This study	BD-COP1; Bridge-CRY1-VP1 ^{AA} (Y3H)
pBridge-BD-E-CCT1	This study	BD-E; Bridge-CCT1 (Y3H)
pBridge-BD-E-CCT1-VP1 ^{AA}	This study	BD-E; Bridge- CCT1-VP1 ^{AA} (Y3H)
pBridge-BD-COP1-CCT1	This study	BD-COP1, Bridge-CCT1 (Y3H)
pBridge-BD-COP1-CCT1-VP1AA	This study	BD-COP1, Bridge- CCT1-VP1 ^{AA} (Y3H)
pBridge-BD-HY5-E	(Lau et al., 2019)	BD-HY5; Bridge- (Y3H)
pBridge-BD-HY5-CCT1	This study	BD-HY5; Bridge-CCT1 (Y3H)
pBridge-BD-HY5-CCT1-VP1 ^{AA}	This study	BD-HY5; Bridge-CCT1-VP1 ^{AA} (Y3H)
pFK012_ <i>P</i> _{sv40} -E-COP1- <i>T</i> _{sv40}	This study	E-COP1 (M2H)

pFK0112_ <i>P</i> _{sv40} -HY5-VP16-NLS- <i>T</i> _{sv40}	This study	HY5-VP16 (M2H)
pFK0114_ <i>P</i> _{sv40} -CRY1-VP16-NLS- <i>T</i> _{sv40}	This study	CRY1-VP16 (M2H)
pFK0124_ <i>P</i> _{sv40} -HY5-VP ^{AA} -VP16-NLS- <i>T</i> _{sv40}	This study	HY5-VP ^{AA} (M2H)
pFK0129_ <i>P_{sv40}</i> -CRY1-NLS-Tsv40	This study	CRY1 (M2H)
pFK01291_ P_{sv40} -CRY1-VP ^{AA} -NLS- T_{sv40}	This study	CRY1-VP ^{AA} (M2H)
pFK01292_ P_{sv40} -CRY1-VP ^{AA} -VP16-NLS- T_{sv40}	This study	CRY1-VP ^{AA} -VP16 (M2H)
pFK041_ $P_{CMV(70)}$ -secNLuc- T_{sv40}	This study	Normalisation element (M2H)
pKM081_etr ₈ -P _{hCMVmin} -SEAP-pA	(Müller et al., 2013)	Reporter (M2H)
pWW035_ <i>P</i> _{sv40} -E-VP16-pA	(Müller et al., 2013)	Positive control (M2H)
pLH002_ <i>P</i> _{sv40} -GFP- <i>T</i> _{sv40}	Lisa Hüsemann	Negative control/Stuffer (M2H)
pJS204_ <i>P</i> _{sv40} -E-GAI- <i>T</i> _{sv40}	Jonas Schön	Backbone
pJS207_ <i>P</i> _{sv40} -GAI-VP16- <i>T</i> _{sv40}	Jonas Schön	Backbone
pFK0122_ <i>P</i> _{sv40} -CRY1- <i>T</i> _{sv40}	This study	Backbone
pUU221_ P _{sv40} -sNLUC-pA	Uriel Urquiza-Garcia	Backbone
pLK090_ $P_{CMV(70)}$ -PhyB-VP16-IRES-E-PIF6- T_{Sv40}	Leonie Koch	Backbone

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