

Identification of novel genes involved in anthocyanin and proanthocyanidin pigments accumulation in rice tissues using genome-wide association study (GWAS)

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Abstract

As natural mutants, some rice varieties have brown pericarp and/or purple stems and leaves. The brown and purple colors are caused by the accumulation of proanthocyanidin and anthocyanin pigments, respectively, belong to flavonoids. The anthocyanin and proanthocyanidin pigments are biosynthesized by the phenylpropanoid pathway and are modulated by several structural and regulatory gene families. In this study chromosome loci involved in the accumulation of anthocyanidin pigments in purple stems and leaves and the accumulation of proanthocyanidin pigments in brown pericarp were identified using 44K SNP array in 282 rice varieties based on association mapping method. Based on genes annotation database of rice and significant single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) signals obtained from association mapping analysis, 30 chromosome positions including Chalcone isomerase, Chalcone synthase, Leucoanthocyanidin reductase, bHLH, MYB, WDR, and B-box coding genes were identified as candidate influencer genes in proanthocyanidin pigmentation in the rice grains pericarp. According to the mentioned method, 39 genes were introduced as likely involved genes in purple stem appearance including, bHLH, MYB, WDR, B-box, F3H, ChI, Glucosyltransferase and also 23 genes were detected for leaf pigmentation, including bHLH, Myb, WD40, B-box and Glucosyltransferase coding genes. Considering this fact that progenitors and domesticating processes for all the rice cultivars are not the same, and many structural and regulatory genes are introduced for controlling anthocyanin pigment accumulation, it seems that in different cultivars, one or some of these introduced genes can be the influencer gene for the accumulation of these pigment.

Key words: Anthocyanin, Association mapping, Proanthocyanidin, Rice, SNP

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Introduction

Rice as one of the most important crop plants has a critical role in human feeding in the world. Green aerial parts and white grains are common in cultivated varieties, but many wild rice ecotypes and some cultivated varieties have a purple stem (PS) and purple leaves (PL) and/or brown grain pericarp (3, 14). The purple and brown colors in rice plant organs are caused by the accumulation of anthocyanin and proanthocyanidin pigments, respectively (3,

14). Intensity and extension of the purple and brown pigments have a different pattern in various varieties and landraces, indicating genomic control of this trait is quantitative. In some varieties, purple pigments accumulate in the bottom part of the stem, but in some of them, they are spread over the leaf blade (fig.1-a). The intensity of brown color in grain pericarp of different cultivars is different, from light brown to heavy brown (fig.1-b).



Figure 1- a: Rice plants with purple and green stems b: Rice grains with white to brown pericarp

Accumulation of anthocyanin pigments in plants has several advantage for plant and its consumers, for example, they are involved in plant development, plant responses to biotic and abiotic stresses, and attraction of pollinator insects. Also, they play important role in antioxidant activity, anticancer, hypoglycemic, and anti-inflammatory effects for their consumers (2, 4, 5, 6). Anthocyanin and proanthocyanidin pigments belong to flavonoids, a major class of secondary metabolites that are synthesized from phenylalanine by phenylpropanoid pathway. In this pathway, several functional and regulatory genes are involved.

Different variants of anthocyanins are composed of an anthocyanidin backbone combined with sugar and acyl groups. Anthocyanidins are composed of two aromatic benzene rings conjunct by an oxygenated heterocycle (fig.2). Six variants of anthocyanidin, pelargonidin, cyanidin, delphinidin, Peonidin, petunidin and malvidin, are prevalent in plants. In addition to different anthocyanidin backbone, the difference in the structure, quantity and position of sugar and acyl conjugates led to diversity in anthocyanins. Biosynthesis of anthocyanins branched

from general flavonoid pathway by the activity of Chalcone Synthase (CHS), converts 4-Coumaroyl-CoA and Malonyl-CoA to Nargenine Chalcone. Then Chalcone isomerase (CHI) converts Nargenine Chalcon to Nargenine. In the next step, three variants of dihydroflavonol can be synthesized by hydroxylase enzymes (flavanone 3-hydroxylase (F3H), flavonoid 3'-hydroxylase (F3'H), flavonoid 3',5'-hydroxylase(F3'5'H)). Next, dihydroflavonol 4-reductase (DFR) converts dihydroflavonol to a Leucoanthocyanidin variant, based on dihydroflavonol variant. Then, Anthocyanidin Synthase (ANS) synthesize different variants of a colored anthocyanidin from Leucoanthocyanidins. Finally, attachment of Glucose (sugar) by glucosyltransferase enzymes such as flavonoid 3-O-glucosyltransferase (UFGT) and then Acyl group by acyltransferase led to anthocyanin synthesis (2, 4, 5, 6) (fig.3).

Proanthocyanidin can be produced from Leucoanthocyanidins and Leucoanthocyanidins derivatives by a reductase enzyme (Anthocyanidin reductase (ANR), Leucoanthocyanidin reductase (LAR)) (2, 5, 6) (fig.3).

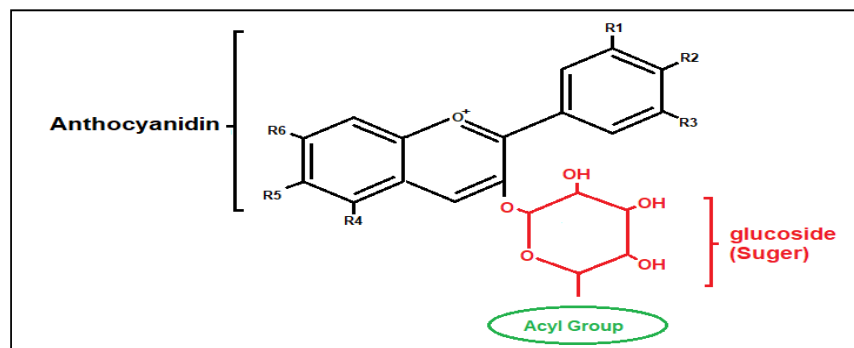


Figure 2- The general structure of an anthocyanin

Biosynthesis of CHS, CHI and F3H are common for most of the flavonoid compounds. In the biosynthesis of colored derivatives of flavonoids including anthocyanin and proanthocyanidin, regulatory genes modulate the expression of downstream structural genes consisting F3[□]H, F3[□]5[□]H, DFR, ANS, and UFGT, cause tissue-specific pattern and different intensity of the pigmentation (2,6). In previous studies, bHLH domain-containing proteins and Myb DNA binding domains containing proteins were introduced as transcription factors involved in the biosynthesis of anthocyanin and proanthocyanidin in rice (14, 15, 18). Recently, a regulatory complex called MBW including proteins containing Myb DNA binding domains, basic Helix-Loop-Helix (bHLH) domain-containing protein and a WD repeat, was introduced for the regulation of structural genes for the accumulation of anthocyanin pigments in rice and some other plants (20). The WD repeats regulate the specific activity and quantity of the complex (20). Also, a C-S-A system has been proposed by Sun et al, (2018) (17) for pigmentation of rice hull, while C is an MYB transcription factor, S is a bHLH domain-containing protein and A gene which encode a structural protein in anthocyanin biosynthesis pathway. So that, S interact with C for activating A gene.

Furukawa et al (2007) (5) introduced the RC gene, encoding a bHLH protein and a positive regulator for proanthocyanidin biosynthesis in brown pericarp and seed coat of rice. The RC gene activates CHS, DFR, LAR genes in brown grains. In white rice, 14 nucleotides have been deleted from the RC gene promoter. Recently, a B-box domain-containing protein was identified by Kim et al (2018) (8) as an inducer of anthocyanin biosynthesis in rice. This protein is the coactivator of HY5 protein in photomorphogenesis signaling. HY5 directly activate MYB transcription factors in the anthocyanin biosynthesis pathway (8). Xia et al (2016) isolated an artificial mutant line for brown hull and molecular analysis showed that a mutation occurred in a single recessive gene, OsFBX310^{bh6}. This gene mapped on the long arm of chromosome 9, coding an F-box domain-containing protein (19).

Assessment of the expression of transcripts in both black and white rice cultivars using the 135K *Oryza sativa* microarray identified 57 candidate genes involved in anthocyanin pigmentation in black rice. The genes are structural genes and transcription factors that distributed in 11 chromosomes (11).

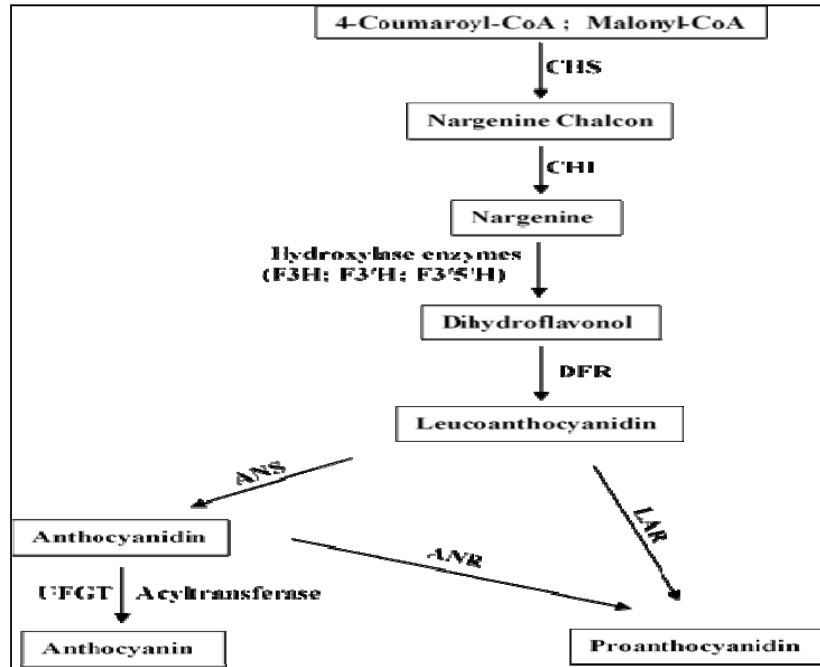


Figure 3- The Anthocyanin and Proanthocyanidin biosynthesis pathway, Chalcone Synthase (CHS), Chalcone isomerase (CHI), flavanone 3-hydroxylase (F3H), flavonoid 3'-hydroxylase (F3'H), flavonoid 3',5'-hydroxylase (F3'5'H), dihydroflavonol 4-reductase (DFR), Anthocyanidin Synthase (ANS), flavonoid 3-O-glucosyltransferase (UFGT), anthocyanidin reductase (ANR), leucoanthocyanidin reductase (LAR).

Park et al, (2016) analyzed cDNA colons of two F3'H genes variants from white, red and black Korean rice varieties and revealed one or two amino acid substitution in the allelic variant of each gene (12). Heterologous expression of colons in yeast indicated different catalytic efficiency of an allelic variant of white, red and black varieties. Also expression level of F3'H genes was dominantly higher in black than red and white grains (12).

Linkage mapping and linkage disequilibrium mapping (association mapping) are two applied methods to find genomic regions involved in the control of quantitative traits. In linkage mapping strategy, recombination events between molecular markers and the genomic regions are measured in a sister-brotherhood population derived from a crossing between two or more parents, for example, F₂, backcross, doubled haploid and recombinant inbred lines populations (21).

In this method, because of the low crossing-over rate, the resolution of the map is low and also the breeding of an appropriate population is very time-consuming and costly (7). In contrast, association mapping counts the correlation between marker alleles and the given trait in a natural prevalent population. In this method, a large and diverse collection of cultivars and lines is randomly collected and the relevant QTLs are mapped based on linkage disequilibrium (10). In comparison to the linkage mapping, association mapping is very fast, inexpensive and accurate. The natural population experienced a high rate of meiotic events and recombinations through the evolution, led to the high resolution of genetic maps and increases the accuracy of QTL mapping (10, 22). The aim of association mapping is the identification of a single polymorphism within a DNA locus linked to the given phenotype in a quantitative trait (7). One of

the most appropriate genetic markers for association analysis is SNP. SNP genotyping has the advantage of presenting whole-genome data without prohibitive cost, providing high-resolution mapping with a large number of SNPs entire the genomes (9). The population structure and genetic relationship between different varieties of the population can create false marker-trait associations. With the inclusion of population structure effect (Q coefficients) and kinship effects (K coefficients) to statistic model, the effect of population structure and kinship on the marker-trait association can be eliminated (13). Accordingly, association mapping with a large number of varieties and complete genome coverage with 40 K SNP array can identify all probable genes involved in the accumulation of anthocyanin pigments in rice. The objective of this research was to identify genomic regions involved in anthocyanin accumulation in rice and identification of candidate genes using association mapping with 40 K SNP array.

Material and Methods

The grains of a population including 282 rice varieties was kindly given by International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) and cultured at the normal condition in research farm of Shahid Beheshti University, Iran. The 44 K SNP array data for all the 282 varieties downloaded from GRAMINE website (www.gramene.org). For measurement of intensity and saturation of pericarp color, the hull of grains was removed and only the pericarp part of seeds coat remained. Then, the de-hulled grains of all the 282 varieties were scanned using a Samsung scanner and brown color intensity was recorded (between 8-58) using RGB color option in Photoshop CS5 software. Phenotypic data for stem and leaf color was recorded in field-grown plants for all 282 varieties in well grown plants before

flowering stage and converted to 0 and 1 data for purple and green tissues, respectively. The 282 rice varieties were clustered using STRUCTURE software Version 2.3 based on SNP data for extracting Q values to be utilized in a mixed linear model (MLM) as covariates (13). Then association analysis between SNPs and phenotypic data was done using TASSEL 3.0 software (1). The MLM model is as follows:

$$P = \mu + M + Q + K + E$$

Where P is the phenotype, M and Q are the genotypic fixed effects and population structure, respectively. To split the effect of the genetic relationship between varieties, K matrix is added to the model as the kinship coefficient of the varieties, and E is the residual effects. After association analysis, the results were presented as Manhattan plots based on the negative \log_{10} transformed observed p-values for each SNP-trait association. We used a threshold of $1e-04$ to declare a significant association. The chromosome loci with high $-\log(p\text{-value})$ were selected as genomic regions carrying a candidate gene. Based on gene annotation database of rice (<https://rapdb.dna.affrc.go.jp>) and probable function of known genes in $\pm 200\text{kb}$ closed to (16) selected SNPs, candidate genes for the purple stem and leaf and also brown pericarp were identified.

Results

Result of association analysis nominated different genomic regions as influencer loci in the accumulation of proanthocyanidin and anthocyanin pigments in rice organs, even identified loci for the accumulation of anthocyanin in stem and leaf were different. Based on Manhattan plots, the minimum considerable $-\log(p\text{-value})$ of SNP signals was determined about 4 for stem and pericarp color and 10 for leaf color.

Proanthocyanidin pigmentation

Most of the appointed SNPs with remarkable p-values for proanthocyanidin accumulation in brown pericarp located on chromosomes 1, 7, and 10. Other chromosomes had few considerable signals (fig. 4). Concerning previous studies in rice and other plant species, 11 structural genes and transcription factor families including bHLH, MYB, WDR, B-box, DFR, F3H, PAL, CHS, CHI, ANR, LAR were determined as probably responsible genes for the accumulation of proanthocyanidin pigments in rice plants. Based on the position of SNPs with significant signals for pericarp pigmentation and the gene annotation database of rice, 30 chromosome positions including 1 Chalcone isomerase, 1 Chalcone synthase, 3 Leucoanthocyanidin reductase, 12 bHLH, 4 MYB, 8 WDR, and 1 B-box coding genes were identified as candidate influencer genes in proanthocyanidin pigmentation in the rice grains pericarp (Table 1). As expected, most of these identified loci are the regulatory genes, 25 regulatory genes in contrast to 5 structural genes. The SNP with the highest $-\log(p\text{-value})$ was positioned in around a bHLH transcription factor in the short arm of chromosome 7. This transcription factor was introduced by Furukawa et al (2007) (5) as a responsible gene for pigmentation of the brown pericarp of rice.

Anthocyanin pigmentation

Major striking SNP for anthocyanin accumulation in purple tissues was located on chromosomes 2, 4, and 6 for purple stem (fig. 5) and chromosomes 4, 6, 7 and 11 for purple leaves (fig. 6). Based on numerous studies, bHLH, MYB, WDR, B-box were considered as probably regulatory genes, similar to proanthocyanidin pigmentation. In addition to DFR, PAL, CHS, CHI, three other genes including ANS, UDP, and GST

were also selected as likely structural genes involved in the accumulation of anthocyanins in stem and leaves. Four structural gene families including Chalcone isomerase, flavanone 3-hydroxylase, and UDP-glucosyl transferase and all the intended regulatory gene families including bHLH, MYB, WDR and B-box coding genes were detected close to significant SNP signals for anthocyanin accumulation both in stem and leaf (Tables 2 and 3). 39 genes were identified as likely involved genes in purple stem appearance including, 15 bHLH, 13 MYB, 5 WDR, 1 B-box, 2 F3H, 2 ChI, 1 Glucosyltransferase (Table 2). For stem pigmentation, four SNPs with a strong signal were detected in a restricted region of the short arm of chromosome 6. In this chromosomal region four annotated genes, including bHLH, MYB, ChI, and Glucosyltransferase, were identified.

$-\log_{10}(p\text{-value})$ of SNP signals for leaf pigmentation was remarkably higher than stem and pericarp, especially on chromosome 6 with $-\log_{10}(p\text{-value})$ about 22. Close to the significant SNP signals for leaf pigmentation, 5 bHLH, 3 Myb, 6 WD40, 1 B-box and 8 Glucosyltransferase coding genes were detected. Glucosyltransferase was the only structural genes identified as probably influencer gene in leaf pigmentation. 45 SNPs with significantly high $-\log_{10}(p\text{-value})$ were detected in a small region of the short arm of chromosome 6 (close to the mentioned striking region for stem color) and interestingly all the intended regulatory genes were found in that area.

Discussion and Conclusion

The result of this study implies that genomic controlling of anthocyanin pigmentation is very complex and several structural and regulatory genes are involved in the control of this trait. In spite of almost the same biosynthesis pathway, there were

not any commonly identified chromosome regions responsible for the accumulation of anthocyanin and proanthocyanidin pigments and also, co-segregation of purple tissues and the brown pericarp is not occurring forever. Considering the fact that all the rice plants with purple leaves have purple stems and no common involved chromosomal region was identified for stem and leaf pigmentation, the involved genes in leaf pigmentation are likely regulatory genes for the tissue specific accumulation of the metabolite or are involved in the transportation of the metabolites from stem to leaves.

In previous studies two systems have been proposed, MBW regulatory complex (20) and C-S-A system (17), as genomic control of anthocyanin accumulation in rice. MBW regulatory complex has been introduced by Xu et al (2015) (20), wherein M is an MYB domain-containing protein, B is a bHLH and W is a WD repeat-containing protein. All these regulatory genes were identified in all three analyses for pericarp, stem, and leaf pigmentation. In C-S-A system proposed by Sun et al (2018) (17), C and S are MYB and bHLH domain-containing proteins, respectively, and interact together for activating A gene which encodes a structural gene in anthocyanin biosynthesis pathway.

Recently Kim et al (2018) (8) introduced a B-box protein as the final tuner of anthocyanin biosynthesis. In our study, we found B-box coding genes in all three analyses, on the long arm of chromosome 6, long arm of chromosome 2, and the short arm of chromosome 6 for pericarp, stem, and leaf, respectively. The number of identified B-box genes (one gene per trait) was much lower than other candidate regulatory genes.

Xia et al (2016) (19) have introduced an F-box domain-containing protein as responsible for rice brown hull pigmentation and the coding gene mapped

on the long arm of chromosome 9. Our association analysis did not find any significant SNP signal on chromosome 9 for pigmentation of brown pericarp and purple stem and purple leaf. So it seems that the identified F-box protein just contributes to hull pigmentation.

According to C-S-A system and also result of Oh et al (2015) (11) and Park et al (2016) (12), in addition to regulatory genes, the mutation in structural genes in some varieties led to change in anthocyanin pigments accumulation in various rice organs. Also in this study, some structural genes (tables 1, 2, and 3) were identified for both proanthocyanidin and anthocyanin pigmentation. Based on this result and considering this fact that anthocyanin pigmentation is more common in wild progenitors of rice than cultivated varieties and most of common varieties and cultivars with green aerial parts and white grains domesticated from wild progenitors with purple aerial parts and black or brown grains, mutation in different structural and regulatory genes in the pathway could have occurred for each variety during domestication process. So in various varieties, mutation in different genes can be responsible for the change in organs color. Therefore, we cannot introduce universal gene(s) as responsible genes for anthocyanin pigmentation in all the varieties. In this study, an association mapping analysis by using a wide range of varieties (282 varieties) carrying various genome structure together with well genome coverage with 40 K SNP array and accurate phenotyping data have been performed. Result of this study has presented a reliable and comprehensive list of likely involved genes in accumulation of anthocyanin and proanthocyanidin pigments in stem-leaf and pericarp of the rice plant, respectively. One or more of these genes can be the responsible for pigmentation in a special variety. The candidate genes identified in our research

need to be confirmed by molecular approaches such as qRT-PCR etc. The results of this research add new information

on the complexity of genetic control of anthocyanin accumulation in rice.

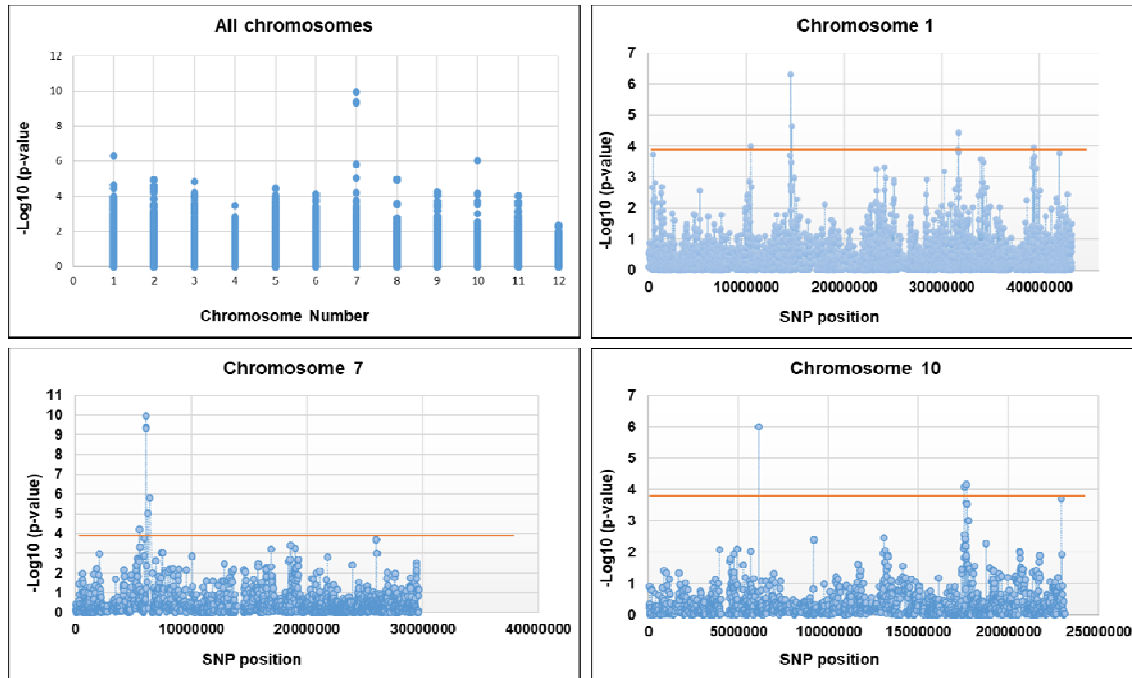


Figure 4- Association analysis result for genes involved in accumulation of proanthocyanidin pigments in brown pericarps of rice grains. Chromosomes with higher association signals are shown.

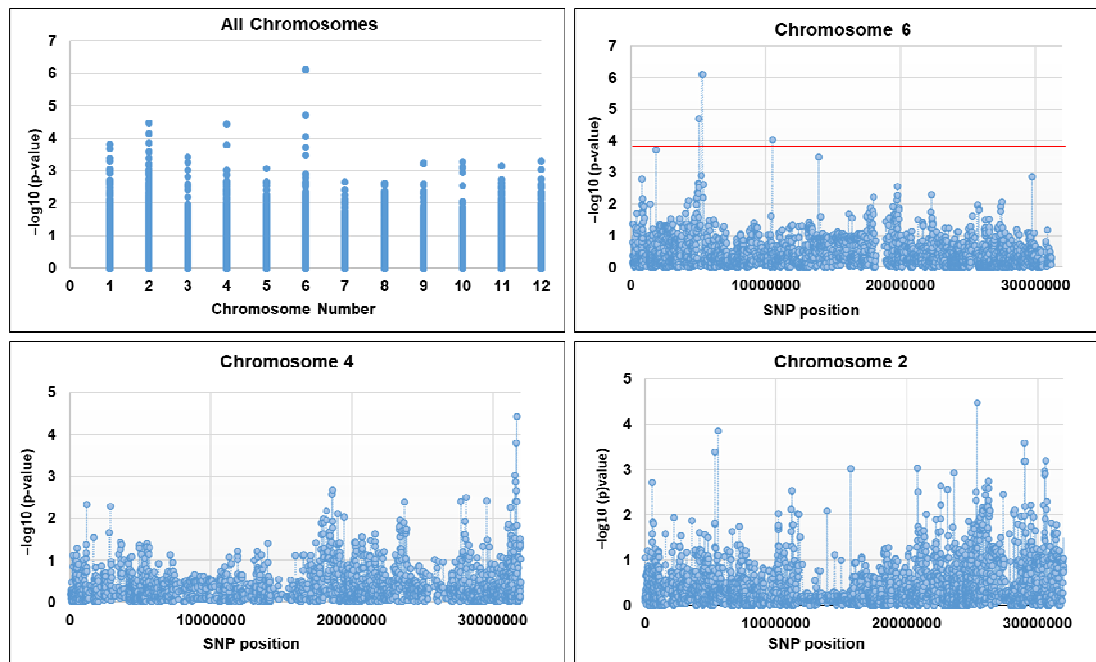


Figure 5-Association analysis results for genes involved in the accumulation of anthocyanin pigments in purple stems of rice plants. Chromosomes with higher association signals were shown.

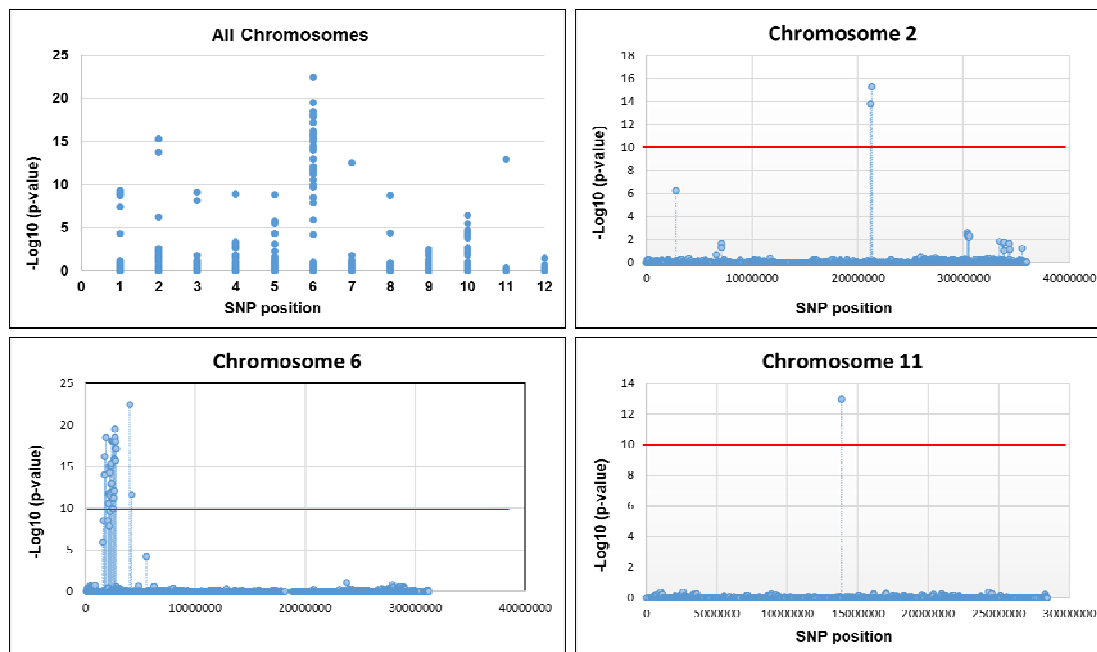


Figure 6: Association analysis result for genes involved in the accumulation of anthocyanin pigments in purple leaves of rice plants. Chromosomes with higher association signals were shown.

Table 1. Identified candidate genes for proanthocyanidin pigmentation in pericarps of brown rice.

| Brown Pericarp | | | | | |
|----------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Chromosome No. | Chromosome region | SNP position | -log10 (p) of SNP | Candidate Genes | Candidate Gene Position |
| Chr.1 | 1-1 | 10493521 | 4 | Myb transcription factor | 10217782-10219691 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 10271157-10274304 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 10664792-10666903 |
| | | | | MYB transcription factor | 10934895-10935992 |
| | 1-2 | 39370281 | 4 | bHLH transcription factor | 39211307-39216467 |
| | | | | WD40 repeat domain-containing protein | 40463040-40467753 |
| Chr.2 | 2-1 | 6685191 | 4.41 | bHLH transcription factor | 6744958-6749884 |
| | | | | WD40 repeat domain-containing protein | 5924727-5930096 |
| | 2-2 | 20350830 | 4.94 | WD40 repeat domain-containing protein | 20026633-20030067 |
| | | | | WD40 repeat domain-containing protein | 20182213-20186136 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 20562601-20565664 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 21436299-21440664 |
| 3-1 | 34469629 | 4.21 | MYB transcription factor | 34350604-34352915 | |
| | | | Chalcone isomerase | 34394508-34395638 | |
| Chr.5 | 5-1 | 22517298 | 4.02 | bHLH transcription factor | 22371227-22373519 |

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|--------|------|----------|------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Chr.6 | 6-1 | 4048543 | 4.12 | WD40 repeat domain containing protein | 3632670-3639453 |
| | | | | leucoanthocyanidin dioxygenase | 3889190-3890392 |
| | | | | leucoanthocyanidin dioxygenase | 3892063-3892359 |
| | | | | leucoanthocyanidin dioxygenase | 3898331-3898775 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 4192207-4194418 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 4709744-4715552 |
| | 6-2 | 26717868 | 4.01 | WD40 repeat domain-containing protein | 26529305-26538020 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 26756214-26757596 |
| | | | | WD40 repeat domain-containing protein | 26779067-26781799 |
| | | | | B-box-containing protein | 26843118-26843680 |
| Chr.7 | 7-1 | 5524672 | 4.20 | bHLH transcription factor | 5081853-5084921 |
| | | 6068267 | 9.31 | bHLH transcription factor | 6062889-6069304 |
| | | 6090274 | 9.95 | | |
| | | 6256569 | 5.02 | Chalcone synthase | 6294479-6296305 |
| | | 6416076 | 5.80 | WD40 repeat domain-containing protein | 6949934-6951925 |
| Chr.10 | 10-1 | 6118562 | 6 | MYB transcription factor | 6024884-6028718 |

Table 2. Identified candidate genes for anthocyanin pigmentation in rice purple stems

| Purple Stem | | | | | |
|----------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Chromosome No. | Chromosome region | SNP position | -log ₁₀ (p) of SNP | Candidate Genes | Candidate Gene Position |
| Chr.1 | 1-1 | 18260021 | 3.8 | MYB transcription factor | 18755303-18756817 |
| | | | | WD40 repeat domain-containing protein | 20717034-20722254 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 21687437-21687759 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 21687799-21689199 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 22138044-22142395 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 22236858-22238067 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 22325472-22325974 |
| Chr.2 | 2-1 | 5590334 | 3.84 | MYB transcription factor | 4058194-4060315 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 4350872-4351973 |
| | | | | MYB transcription factor | 4867738-4868831 |
| | | | | WD40 repeat domain-containing protein | 4913036-4913371 |
| | | | | MYB transcription factor | 4966920-4967015 |
| | | | | WD40 repeat domain-containing protein | 5924727-5930096 |
| | 2-2 | 25401253 | 4.47 | bHLH transcription factor | 23643455-23651476 |
| | | | | MYB transcription factor | 24580457-24582527 |
| | | | | MYB transcription factor | 24878777-24879932 |
| | | | | MYB transcription factor | 25759841-25762800 |
| | | | | MYB transcription factor | 25778113-25780795 |
| | | | | B-box-containing protein | 26027785-26029488 |

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|---------------------------|-------------------|----------|------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| | 2-3 | 33022850 | 4.14 | flavanone 3-hydroxylase | 32310799-32312184 |
| | | | | WD40 repeat domain-containing protein | 32469587-32472658 |
| | | | | Chalcone isomerase | 32957456-32961345 |
| | | | | WD40 repeat domain-containing protein | 33629573-33633614 |
| | | | | MYB transcription factor | 34829856-34831322 |
| Chr.4 | 4-1 | 31715352 | 4.43 | bHLH transcription factor | 28369370-28371848 |
| | | | | flavanone 3-hydroxylase | 29331563-29338260 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 29880299-29881660 |
| | | | | MYB transcription factor | 29995755-29997261 |
| | | | | MYB transcription factor | 30028840-30030685 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 30235422-30238854 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 31416378-31420095 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 32166724-32169575 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 32657307-32658183 |
| bHLH transcription factor | 33676818-33683540 | | | | |
| Chr.6 | 6-1 | 5058807 | 4.70 | bHLH transcription factor | 4709744-4715552 |
| | | 5295675 | 6.10 | Chalcone isomerase | 5227416-5231610 |
| | | 5295818 | 6.10 | MYB transcription factor | 5315163-5316640 |
| | | 5351422 | 6.10 | UDP-glucosyl transferase | 5908095-5909128 |
| | | | | MYB transcription factor | 6239975-6241172 |

Table 3. Identified candidate genes for anthocyanin pigmentation in rice purple leaves

| Purple Leaf | | | | | |
|----------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|---|-------------------------|
| Chromosome No. | Chromosome region | SNP position | $-\log_{10}(p)$ of SNP | Candidate Genes | Candidate Gene Position |
| Chr.2 | 2-1 | 21218858 | 13.79 | bHLH transcription factor 5 | 20562601-20565664 |
| | | | | WD40 repeat domain-containing protein 6 | 20182213-20186136 |
| | | 21309432 | 15.27 | bHLH transcription factor | 21436299-21440664 |
| Chr.6 | 6-1 | 45 SNPs between: 1763642-4229437 | 10.0 to 22.46 | WD40 repeat domain-containing protein | 1504211-1509611 |
| | | | | WD40 repeat domain-containing protein | 1648595-1654151 |
| | | | | UDP-glucosyl transferase8 | 2018053-2021997 |
| | | | | MYB transcription factor3 | 2187658-2187867 |
| | | | | WD40 repeat domain-containing protein | 2320837-2329651 |
| | | | | B-box-containing protein | 2695460-2699468 |
| | | | | UDP-glucosyl transferase | 2902268-2907302 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 3273390-3276888 |
| | | | | WD40 repeat domain-containing protein | 3632670-3639453 |
| | | | | UDP-glucosyl transferase | 3840732-3844710 |
| | | | | UDP-glucosyl transferase | 3878788-3882766 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 4192207-4194418 |
| | | | | UDP-glucosyl transferase | 4648131-4649391 |

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|--------|------|----------|-------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| | | | | UDP-glucosyl transferase | 4653460-4655652 |
| Chr.7 | 7-1 | 26602971 | 12.53 | MYB transcription factor | 26075493-26077145 |
| | | | | MYB transcription factor | 27043501-27046097 |
| | | | | WD40 repeat domain-containing protein | 27656036-27665871 |
| Chr.11 | 11-1 | 13841323 | 12.97 | UDP-glucosyl transferase | 14509845-14516320 |
| | | | | bHLH transcription factor | 14569673-14571090 |
| | | | | UDP-glucosyl transferase | 14672877-14675385 |

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شناسایی ژن‌های دخیل در تجمع رنگی‌های آنتوسیانین و پروآنتوسیانیدین در بافت‌های مختلف ۲۸۲ رقم برنج با استفاده از نقشه‌یابی ارتباطی در مقیاس ژنوم

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چکیده

بعنوان یک موتانت طبیعی، برخی از ارقام برنج دارای رنگ دانه قهوه‌ای و/یا رنگ ساقه و برگ بنفش می‌باشند. رنگ قهوه‌ای برونبر به دلیل تجمع رنگی‌های پروآنتوسیانیدین و رنگ بنفش ساقه و برگ بواسطه‌ی تجمع آنتوسیانین ایجاد می‌شود. این رنگی‌ها که متعلق به دسته فلاونوئیدها بوده از طریق مسیر فنیل پروپانویید ساخته می‌شوند و ژن‌های ساختاری و تنظیمی زیادی در بیوستز آنها نقش دارند. در این پژوهش، جایگاه‌های کروموزومی دخیل در ایجاد رنگ قهوه‌ای پریکارپ دانه و رنگ بنفش ساقه و برگ گیاه برنج با روش نقشه‌یابی ارتباطی با استفاده از ۴۴۰۰۰ نشانگر SNP در ۲۸۲ رقم شناسایی شد. براساس اطلاعات پایگاه داده ژن‌های آنوتیت شده برنج و همچنین نتایج نقشه‌یابی ارتباطی، ۳۰ جایگاه کروموزومی شامل ژن‌های کدکننده‌ی آنزیم‌های چالکون سنتتاز، چالکون ایزومراز، لوکوآنتوسیانیدین ردوکتاز، bHLH، MYB، WDR، و B-box بعنوان ژن‌های احتمالی دخیل در ایجاد رنگ قهوه‌ای برونبر دانه برنج شناسایی شدند. با استفاده از همین روش، ۳۹ جایگاه کروموزومی شامل: ژن‌های کدکننده‌ی آنزیم‌های bHLH، MYB، WDR، B-box، F3H، چالکون ایزومراز و گلیکوزیل ترانسفراز برای تجمع رنگی‌های ارغوانی در ساقه و ۲۳ جایگاه کروموزومی شامل: ژن‌های کدکننده‌ی آنزیم‌های bHLH، Myb، WD40، B-box و گلیکوزیل ترانسفراز برای تجمع رنگی‌های ارغوانی در برگ‌های برنج معرفی شدند. با توجه به این واقعیت که اجداد وحشی و فرآیند اهلی سازی برای همه ارقام امروزی برنج مشابه نبوده است و همچنین با توجه به اینکه ژن‌های ساختاری و تنظیمی بسیاری در مسیر بیوستز این رنگی‌ها نقش دارند، به نظر می‌رسد که در هر کدام از ارقام موجود یک یا تعدادی از این ژن‌های معرفی شده می‌توانند ژن کلیدی در تجمع این رنگی‌ها در آن رقم باشند.

واژه‌های کلیدی: آنتوسیانین، پروآنتوسیانیدین، نقشه‌یابی ارتباطی، برنج، SNP

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