Pra-GE-ATLAS: empowering *Pinus radiata* stress and breeding research through a comprehensive multi-omics database

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8 Summary

9 In recent decades, research on model organisms have significantly increased our 10 understanding of core biological processes in plant science. However, this focus has 11 created a substantial knowledge bottleneck due to the limited phylogenetic and 12 ecological spectrum covered. Gymnosperms, especially conifers, represent a molecular 13 and ecological diversity hotspot among seed plants. Despite their importance, research 14 on these species is notably underrepresented, primarily due to a slower pace of 15 investigation resulting from a lack of community-based resources and databases. To fill 16 this gap, we developed P(inus)ra(diata)-G(ene)E(xpression)-ATLAS, which consists of 17 several tools and two main modules: transcriptomics and proteomics, presented in this 18 work for the forestry commercial and stress-sensitive species Pinus radiata. We 19 summarised and centralised all the available information to provide a comprehensive 20 view of the gene expression landscape. To illustrate how applications of the database 21 lead to new biological insights, we integrated multiple regulatory layers across tissues 22 and stressors. While stress favors the retention of small introns, harmonised alternative 23 splicing analyses reveal that genes with conifers' iconic large introns tend to be under 24 constitutive regulation. Furthermore, the degree of convergence between stressors 25 differed between regulatory layers, with proteomic responses remaining highly distinctive 26 even through intergenerational memory tolerance. Overall, Pra-GE-ATLAS aims to 27 narrow the distance between angiosperms and gymnosperms resources, deepening our 28 understanding of how characteristic pine features have evolved. Pra-GE-ATLAS is available at https://rocesv.github.io/Pra-GE-ATLAS. 29

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32 Introduction

33 Model organisms have played a crucial role in deepening our understanding of core 34 biological processes, shaping research topics in plant sciences. However, there is a 35 strong bias in the taxa studied, with angiosperms, particularly Magnoliopsida, 36 representing 93 % of the records (Shiu and Lehti-Shiu, 2023). This creates a huge 37 knowledge bottleneck, mainly due to the narrow phylogenetic and ecological spectrum 38 covered. Gymnosperms and angiosperms are the two major groups of extant seed 39 plants, exhibiting extreme differences in life spans, species diversity and reproductive 40 biology. Moreover, gymnosperms are an ancient clade that represents four of the five 41 main lineages of seed plants and dominate boreal and temperate forests. Despite this, 42 gymnosperms remain largely underrepresented in plant research, specially in molecular 43 biology (Leebens-Mack et al., 2019; Niu et al., 2022). Therefore, the establishment of 44 model organisms in gymnosperms becomes crucial, as minimal efforts could be 45 translated into maximal plant community benefits, leveraging the evolutionary and 46 ecological properties of this clade.

47 Among gymnosperms, conifers represent the most diverse group, comprising 48 approximately 615 species that contribute to 39 % of the world's forests. *Pinus*, with 113 49 species, is the largest clade and one of the most important genus of trees (Jin et al., 50 2021), serving as a relevant model for exploring molecular divergence in seed plants. 51 However, pines molecular evolutionary features pose a double-edge sword. While they 52 provide valuable ecophysiological insights, their slow growth, long-lived nature, giant 53 genomes and high repetitive elements content are far from those attributes proper of 54 model species (De La Torre et al., 2020). Although recent incredible genomics efforts 55 (Niu et al., 2022), the current post-genomic era has laid the groundwork for the 56 emergence of other "-omics" and has challenged traditional views on how genes encode 57 phenotypes, moving beyond a genic-centered perspective. Taking advantage of this data 58 explosion, systems biology has gained relevance for its holistic approach to modeling 59 complex biological processes (Argelaguet et al., 2020). Multi-omics profiling is becoming 60 quite common, promising insights into the characterisation of unexplored species lacking 61 reference genomes. In addition, recent RNA sequencing (RNA-seq) studies indicate that 62 transcriptomes are often underestimated, even in model organisms (S. Zhang et al., 63 2020). Large-scale functional genomics data, such as transcriptomics and proteomics, 64 can provide direct evidence for a high-resolution gene expression landscape. 65 Nonetheless, the generation of curated databases and resources derived from 66 cumulative research outputs becomes crucial to address the focus gap in this genus and 67 facilitate future investigations.

68 To tackle these challenges, we constructed P(inus)ra(diata)-G(ene)E(xpression)-69 ATLAS, the most extensive pine multi-omics database to date, designating the forestry 70 commercial and stress-sensitive species Pinus radiata as reference. We generated new 71 datasets and centralised all the available transcriptomics and proteomics information in 72 a single hub, encompassing various dimensions. To showcase how the results derived 73 from the generated resources could be used to gain biological insights, we conducted in-74 depth characterisation and integrated multiple regulatory layers across tissues and 75 stressors. Constitutive regulation of long introns was observed, while stress favoured the 76 retention of smaller introns. Additionally, the agreement between stress responses 77 varied between regulatory layers, with proteomics revealing highly unique responses 78 maintained through intergenerational effects, potentially mediated by the translation of 79 specialised members of gene families. We believe that Pra-GE-ATLAS will be a valuable 80 database, not only supporting conifers research but also contributing to the assessment 81 of the conservation of molecular plant discoveries across a broad range of dissimilar 82 taxa.

83 Results

84 Construction and overview of Pra-GE-ATLAS

To gain a comprehensive understanding of *P. radiata* expression landscape, we obtained, uniformly processed and integrated multi-omics data, encompassing transcriptomics and proteomics, sourced from research articles and public repositories (**fig. 1, supplementary fig. S1**). The consolidated datasets, totaling 990 Gb and 1.89 billion high-quality reads from 141 RNA-seq transcriptomic samples, and 160 Gb and 202 RAW files from 155 MS-based proteomics samples, were analysed and summarised in the P(inus)ra(diata)-G(ene)E(xpression)-ATLAS database.

92 We generated a high guality reference transcriptome for *P. radiata*. The Benchmarking 93 Universal Single Copy Ortholog (BUSCO) detected high completeness (>96 %) when 94 compared against Embryophyta (supplementary table S1). This quality metric, 95 comparable to other de novo high quality gymnosperms transcriptomes (Visser et al., 2023), alongside an average of 80 % reads mapping back, indicate a high-quality 96 97 reference appropriate for downstream analyses. The final assembly served as database 98 for the identification and quantification of proteins. A total of 7697 proteins met all the 99 criteria for further characterisation (see Methods), significantly suparssing the number 100 reported by previous proteomics studies in this organism (Pascual et al., 2016; Pascual 101 et al., 2017; Escandón et al., 2017; Lamelas et al., 2020; Amaral et al., 2021; GarcíaCampa et al., 2022; Lamelas et al., 2022), and reinforcing the need for high-quality
species-specific databases in proteomic approaches (Romero-Rodríguez et al., 2014).

104 In summary, Pra-GE-ATLAS database was constructed based on two modules, 105 transcriptomics and proteomics, containing the largest amount of *P. radiata* – related 106 data up to date. It provides access to various common online tools, enabling the 107 extrapolation of findings from other species to our reference and establishing a 108 foundation for in-depth research on this pine species.

109 Transcriptomics module: Core genes transcriptionally regulated and110 associated regulatory features

We characterised transcriptional module grouping changes in alternative splicing (AS)
and gene expression (GE) into three core sets (see **Methods**): constitutively-alternative
spliced/expressed (Pan), stress-specific (Stress), and tissue-specific (Tissue)
events/genes.

115 Global differences between GE and AS regulation were observed based on the number 116 of shared genes/events between core sets (fig. 2A). PanGE, TissueGE, and their 117 overlap constituted the biggest intersections, while most stress genes were shared with 118 other sets. Conversely, each AS set specific events formed the largest intersections and 119 the most substantial overlap occurred between StressAS and TissueAS. These findings 120 suggested that GE could be the primary transcriptional mechanism, while AS seem to be more finely tuned in its regulatory role. Further inspection of AS sets trends was 121 122 performed, checking the proportions between different AS types (fig. 2B). Consistent 123 with previous studies (Martín et al., 2021), IR and AltAD were the most prevalent type of 124 genome-wide AS. Nevertheless, the only prevalent type particularly enriched compared 125 to Genome background was AltAD in AS-NR and PanAS. Thus, emphasising potential 126 differences in functional impact and/or regulatory features associated with AS sets and 127 types. Examining gene-level intersections (fig. 2C), the only set demonstrating a greater 128 number of genes regulated by AS than GE, and with a lower overlap with the latter, was 129 Stress.

To assess the functional relevance of AS, we researched their predicted impact on the canonical ORF (**fig. 2D**). Notably, for IR and AltAD events, we observed a significant enrichment in cases predicted to disrupt ORF for PanAS. Additionally, StressAS and TissueAS sets were predicted to significantly alter not-CDS regions, such as untranslated regions. Altogether, AS regulation appeared to be more linked to expression regulation and protein remodelling rather than functional variation in protein sequence.

136 To investigate genomic features related to AS regulation and type, exon and intron 137 features were computed for each AS set (see Methods, fig. 2E). Genomic features 138 showed a low degree of convergence across sets, with the unique exception of AltAD 139 events significantly preferring smaller transcripts. IR PanAS events were enriched in 140 transcripts with more and longer introns, higher upstream splice site GC content, and 141 smaller flanking exons. Conversely, IR StressAS and TissueAS were preferentially 142 presented in transcripts with less and smaller introns, and lower upstream GC content. 143 In the case of ES, PanAS depicted the main hallmarks of exon definition, such as smaller 144 target exons with longer upstream introns. Additionally, ES PanAS and TissueAS events 145 presented lower transcript lengths, and lower and higher GC content in the target and 146 downstream exon, respectively. Curiously, ES and AltAD exons across stresses and 147 tissues were mainly located in the first exons. Overall, the different patterns emerged 148 suggest that genomic features could be crucial for explaining specific regulation in 149 splicing patterns in Pinus.

150 To provide a biological interpretation, functional enrichment analyses were conducted 151 (fig. 2F). The functional terms covered by AS core sets exhibited a limited spectrum of 152 pathways. PanAS and StressAS were the sets that shared most of the functional terms, 153 emphasising RNA processing as an autoregulatory process. Remarkably, TissueAS 154 showed enrichment only in redox homeostasis, representing the most divergent 155 functional profile among sets. In contrast, GE sets included a broad range of functions, 156 including terms essential for all types of regulation, such as phytohormones action. 157 Briefly, the terms validated expected biological insights, such as photosynthesis enriched 158 in PanGE and TissueGE, and secondary metabolism and redox homeostasis enriched 159 in TissueGE and StressGE. In this case, PanGE stood out as the set with the most 160 divergent profile.

161 Given the potential primary role of GE, we conducted a WGCNA (fig. 2F). In total, 20 co-162 expressed modules were identified and correlated with design factors. The largest 163 modules tended to be related to tissues. This was illustrated by M03, which showed a 164 positive correlation with bud and vascular tissues, and M04/M06 highlighting needle 165 identity with some signals related to P. pluvialis/F. circinatum, respectively. However, 166 stress-specific modules were also elucidated. Examples include M07, M09 and M10 167 representing F. circinatum stress. Using the previously introduced modules, both bud-168 vascular M03 and F. circinatum M10 revealed functional terms inherent to those design 169 factors that were not represented in TissueGE and StressGE, such as DNA damage 170 response, chromatin organisation and cell division.

171 Proteomics module: The landscape of protein information

172 The proteomic data generated in this study enabled us to inspect tissue signatures (fig. 173 **3A-C**). Enrichments of differential proteins revealed pathways involved in the functioning 174 of each tissue, such as photosynthesis in needles, and RNA processing in buds (fig. 175 **3A**). Furthermore, attending to the size of the intersection between differential proteins, 176 a decreasing trend was detected following the order needle>bud>root. These 177 discoveries suggested that these tissues had different degrees of identity. Tissue 178 hallmarks were complemented by volcano analyses (fig. 3B). The most relevant proteins 179 remained consistent across comparisons and expanded previous mentioned pathways 180 for roots and buds. Root tissue was mainly linked to energy metabolism (e.g ATP 181 SYNTHASE SUBUNIT B). While functions in buds highlighted their role as a 182 differentiating tissue with regulatory capabilities, the strongest markers were related to 183 defense responses (e.g TERPENE SYNTHASE). Lastly, an evolutionary evaluation of 184 protein abundance constraints was performed using Proteome Age Index (PAI) (fig. 3C). 185 Although no differences were exhibited in root and bud, needles presented smaller PAI 186 values, indicating a greater abundance of proteins with older evolutionary origins.

187 The stress diversity compiled in the proteomics module (fig. 3D,E) allowed the 188 identification of shared functions across environmental clues, underscoring protein 189 homeostasis and biosynthesis (fig. 3D). The largest intersections, which consisted of 190 stress-stress rather than stress-control comparisons, revealed a low degree of 191 convergence across stress proteins. Despite some common pathways being regulated 192 for most stresses, the primary protein effectors appeared to diverge across conditions. 193 Most relevant proteins in volcano analyses (fig. 3E) pointed to potential master features 194 that were not significantly/consistently enriched at the pathway level, such as chromatin 195 organisation (e.g HISTONE H2A) and RNA processing (e.g SM-LIKE PROTEIN LSM).

196 A total of 12 modules were detected by WGCNA, clustering proteins abundance across 197 all conditions (fig. 3F). The largest module, M01, was related to tissues. M01 unveiled 198 previously exposed functions and new ones such as vesicle trafficking and multiprocess/external-stimuli response (fig. 3G). The high resolution of protein modules 199 200 revealed unknown stress dynamics. Heat stress presented modules related to each 201 subcellular location and M09 correlating responses across nucleus and chloroplast. 202 Nevertheless, UV stress was more specific, differing between chloroplast response and 203 chloroplast response negatively correlated with nucleus, illustrated by M03 and M05. 204 Despite both modules represented UV chloroplast response, their different relationship 205 with the nucleus was also supported by the implication of distinct pathways such as 206 protein translocation.

207 Application 1: Exploring unique and shared sources of transcriptional 208 variation across multiple tissues and stressors

209 To exemplify applications of the generated resources, we investigated into the 210 coordination of GE and AS in defining tissues using multi-omics factor analysis (MOFA) 211 (fig. 4). Overall, MOFA inferred eight latent factors (LFs), with GE contributing to the 212 majority of the total variance (fig. 4A). We examined the variance explained by the LFs 213 and identified LF1 and LF3 as the most biologically relevant to discriminate between 214 tissues (fig. 4B). Briefly, LF1 variance, mainly constituted by GE but also including 215 remarkable AS variation, differed between needles and the rest of the tissues, while the 216 GE-dominant LF3 variance mostly described the differences between buds/needles and 217 vascular-related tissues.

218 These interpretations were supported by the top absolute loadings in each factor (fig. 219 4C). LF1 needle identity was reflected by photosynthetic required genes such as 220 RIBULOSE-PHOSPHATE 3-EPIMERASE (RPE). LF3 bud/needle identity was illustrated 221 by cuticle related genes such as CUTIN SYNTHASE2 (CUS2). Interestingly, LF1 specific 222 enriched functions differed between regulatory layers and included cellular respiration 223 and external stimuli response at the GE level, and redox homeostasis and secondary 224 metabolism within AS layer (fig. 4D). LF3 specific enriched terms pointed to key 225 divergent functions between xylem/phloem and needle/bud such as lipid metabolism and 226 plant reproduction. From an evolutionary perspective, it seems that tissue identities 227 described in LF1 had older origins than the distinctions covered by LF3 (fig. 4D). This 228 was illustrated by enrichments in genes with younger origins (Phylostratum (PS), lower 229 and higher PS denote older and younger origins) at the GE level in LF3 and very young 230 gene family founder events (Phylostratum Family (PSF)) at the AS level. Additionally, 231 these findings were further confirmed by Transcriptome Age Index (TAI) profiles which 232 detected increasing TAI values across tissues, from older to younger origins, following 233 the order needle>bud>xylem>phloem (supplementary fig. S2A).

234 Finally, to demonstrate that applications derived from Pra-GE-ATLAS could be translated 235 into new biological insights, we evaluated splicing of potential isoform markers across 236 tested tissues with different ages in an exploratory fashion (fig. 4E). Three genes were 237 chosen based on differential contributions: SIGNAL RECOGNITION PARTICLE 43 KDA, 238 CHLOROPLASTIC (CAO), SUGAR TRANSPORTER ERD6 (ERD6), and COMPONENT 239 OF CIRCADIAN EVENING COMPLEX CLOCK ELF4 (ELF4-like). All genes 240 preferentially expressed the smallest isoforms in adult needles. While the largest CAO 241 and medium-sized ERD6 isoforms were common for buds and juvenile needles, most of 242 the medium-sized CAO isoforms were juvenile-specific and large ERD6 isoform was juvenile needle-specific. Lastly, while the *ELF4-like* bud isoform diversity did not reflect
a clear pattern, large *ELF4-like* isoforms appeared to be juvenile-specific.

245 Next, we employed MOFA multigrouped framework to evaluate the degree of 246 convergence in *P. radiata* transcriptional responses to multiple stressors (fig. 4F-H). Due 247 to a stress-related higher prevalence of particular types, such as IR (Laloum et al., 2018), 248 we decided to split AS by type. A total of eight LFs were detected, with most of them 249 being uniquely related to GE, the layer contributing to the majority of variance (fig. 4F). 250 We identified the top three LFs as biologically relevant (fig. 4G). LF1 exhibited significant 251 GE activity across all biotic stimuli, primarily associated with high stress damage. This 252 was illustrated by high positive scores in most susceptible genotypes and stress samples 253 under severe D. septosporum/F. circinatum and P. pluvialis, respectively. LF2 showed 254 remarkable GE activity across D. septosporum, F. circinatum and heat, linked to control-255 stress differences. LF3 captured F. circinatum-specific susceptible-resistant genotype 256 and stress-control variation for samples without genotype information. Furthermore, LF3 257 detected changes across all molecular layers, with higher variance explained by AS than 258 GE.

259 The provided definitions were affirmed by the top loadings and functions for each LF (fig. 260 4H,I). For enrichment analyses, IR was selected as the AS representative (fig. 4I). LF1 261 shared biotic stress damage, represented by fungal-specific factors such as 262 ENDOCHITINASE 2 (CHTB2) (fig. 4H), and specifically enriched in redox homeostasis 263 at both transcriptional levels (fig. 4I). Due to the control samples tissue composition, 264 some of the genes illustrated by LF2 were shared with tissue LF3 bud/needle (fig. 4C). 265 However, new genes exclusively linked to LF2 cross-stress control-associated variation 266 were also suggested, such as TRANSCRIPTION FACOR BHLH62 (BHLH62). LF3 267 stress/susceptible-genotype vs control-damaged/resistant-genotype pointed to different 268 members of CYSTEINE-RICH RECEPTOR-LIKE PROTEIN KINASE (CRK) stress-269 responsive family (Y. Zhang et al., 2023). Evolutionary-related analyses revealed that 270 LF2 was significantly enriched in younger phylostrata than LF1 at the GE level (fig. 4). 271 This notion was further inspected by TAI profiles (supplementary fig. S2B), which 272 detected significantly younger transcriptomes in earlier stress phases for heat and D. 273 septosporum.

Given that GE dominant role in transcriptional variation could mask AS differential contributions between tissues and stressors, we compared the relative PSI variation of stress versus tissues in our reference, *P. radiata*, and in *A. thaliana*, *D. melanogaster* and *H. sapiens* data produced by Martín et al. (2021) (see **Methods**, **supplementary** fig. S2C). Strikingly, we observed a contribution skewed towards stress and tissues inplant and metazoan species, respectively.

280 Application 2: Uncovering proteomic cross-talk among stresses, 281 subcellular locations, and intergenerational memory

Using MOFA, we identified shared and unique sources of proteomic variation across
stressors (fig. 5A-D), subcellular locations (fig. 5E-H), and intergenerational memory
(fig. 5I-L).

285 In the cross-stress total proteomes framework, four LFs were identified, all considered 286 biologically meaningful (fig. 5A). These LFs disentangled stress-specific variance, with 287 heat-specific LF1 discriminating between the earliest stress timepoint, and heat-specific 288 LF2, F. circinatum-specific LF3, and UV-specific LF4 showing control/recovery-stress 289 differences (fig. 5B). These results were supported by top absolute loadings (fig. 5C). Examples include several proteome remodelling features for LF1 and LF4, 290 291 photosynthetic proteins and chaperones reflecting high temperatures main targets for 292 LF2, and defense mechanisms illustrated by OXALATE OXIDASE 1 (OXO1) for LF3. 293 The model captured common functions such as protein biosynthesis-homeostasis, 294 chromatin organisation and photosynthesis (fig. 5D). Despite non meaningful 295 constrained abundance patterns detected by PAI profiles (supplementary fig. S2D), 296 enrichments revealed shared evolutionary origin signatures among abiotic stressors, 297 with LF4 UV-related features being relatively younger at the gene level (fig. 5D).

298 Next, we integrated abiotic stressors total, nucleus and chloroplast proteomes and 11 299 LFs were identified. We selected LF2, LF6, LF7 and LF9 for further biological description 300 (fig. 5E). LF2 explained the most variance and was associated with stress-independent 301 subcellular location, highlighting functions such as protein modification and chloroplast-302 RHO-N DOMAIN-CONTAINING PROTEIN localised features through 1, 303 CHLOROPLASTIC (RHON1) (fig. 5F-H). UV-specific LF6 characterised chloroplast 304 response, while heat-specific LF7 and LF9 involved nucleus- and chloroplast-specific 305 stressess, respectively. Stress- and localisation-specific LFs expanded previous 306 pathways considering subcellular information. UV-specific LF6 unveiled chloroplast 307 protein synthesis through ATP-DEPENDENT CLP PROTEASE ADAPTER PROTEIN 308 CLPS1, CHLOROPLASTIC (CLPS1). Heat-specific LF7 and LF9 reflected nucleus 309 coordination and chloroplast response with HEAT SHOCK FACTOR-DNA BINDING 310 (HSF-DNA BIND) domains, and a wide set of small heat shock proteins, respectively. 311 Stress-specific LFs responses still shared above mentioned terms and new ones, for 312 instance RNA processing. PAI profiles did not detect constrained abundance patterns,

but trends were appreciated when considering PAI profiles and enrichments together (fig. 5H, supplementary fig. S2E). The biggest differences between PAI values were observed between subcellular locations instead of stress timepoints. Additionally, the subcellular location with the younger profile also diverged between stressors, being the nucleus for heat and the chloroplast for UV. The latter was further emphasized with younger gene origins and family founder events enriched in UV-specific LF6 compared to heat-specific LF9.

320 Lastly, we interrogated whether shared cross-stress intergenerational memory variation 321 could be detected at the protein level. To answer this, we integrated abiotic stressors 322 chloroplast-enriched proteomes from two populations with similar genetic-backgrounds 323 but different local-environment histories (supplementary fig. S2F) (García-Campa et al., 2022; Lamelas et al., 2022). Among six LFs, LF2, LF3, LF5 and LF6 were retained 324 325 for subsequent analyses (fig. 5I). LF2 explained shared variance across populations but 326 was only associated with UV (fig. 5I,J). Furthermore, LF2 displayed population-specific 327 differences, as population E (PopE) could discriminate between all intensities, while 328 samples under more severe conditions were merged for population T (PopT). While heat-329 specific LF3 also explained shared variance for both populations, LF3 did not detect 330 population differential contributions because both populations mainly discriminated between control and severe heat intensities. Following the same pattern, LF5 and LF6 331 332 were UV- and heat-specific, respectively, discriminating the earlier timepoints in both 333 cases. However, UV-specific LF5 reflected population differences mainly linked to earlier 334 stress samples in PopE. Top absolute loadings (fig. 5K) and functional enrichments (fig. 335 5L) validated the results, illustrating protein homeostasis term shared among all LFs, 336 and LF3 features being equivalent to previous abiotic stressors LF9 (fig. 5G). Since 337 differential contributions to populations could reveal clues into intergenerational memory, 338 we further inspected UV-specific LFs loadings. Interestingly, loadings highlighted a 339 protein that could interact with RNA POLYMERASE SIGMA FACTOR (SIGA), essential 340 for photosystem stoichiometry, and lignin biosynthesis reflected by CYNNAMYL 341 ALCOHOL DEHYDROGENASE 3 (CAD3) (Bateman et al., 2021). Meaningful 342 constrained patterns were not detected by PAI profiles (supplementary fig. S2G); 343 however, UV-specific LFs enrichments uncovered slightly younger originated gene 344 families in LF2 compared to LF5.

345 Discussion

In this study, we constructed Pra-GE-ATLAS, the most extensive pine multi-omics database to date (**fig. 1**). Despite pine species constituting a clear hotspot of plant molecular diversity, their research remains largely underrepresented (De La Torre et al.,
2020; Shiu and Lehti-Shiu, 2023). To fill this gap, Pra-GE-ATLAS offers data resources
and tools aimed not only to assist *P. radiata* research but also to determine the extent of
plant biology discoveries considering more dissimilar taxa.

352 Our research presents the most exhaustive AS analysis conducted in a pine species so 353 far. Despite the divergent genomic architecture of conifers, characterised by long introns 354 (Niu et al., 2022), IR is the most prevalent AS type, consistent with prior studies (Laloum 355 et al., 2018) (fig. 2B). Notably, non-IR events, such as AltAD, underrated in plant 356 science, are identified as widespread and overrepresented in more sets than IR, 357 indicating potentially greater functional relevance (fig 2B, D). Overall, AS sequence variation appears to play a more significant role in regulating gene expression and 358 359 protein abundance than introducing functional sequence changes. In line with earlier 360 research indicating that pine genes with longer introns are constitutively expressed (Niu 361 et al., 2022), the specific genic structure of conifers seems related to their AS regulation. 362 Long introns surrounded by small exons and small exons surrounded by long introns are 363 preferentially retained and skipped, respectively, in constitutively alternatively spliced 364 transcripts (fig. 2E). Conversely, stress-induced IR appears to affect small introns at the 365 beginning of the transcript. These observations highlight the innovative molecular 366 strategies adopted by conifers to keep transcription efficacy. Finally, leveraging the 367 phylogenetic position of pines, we extend the previously reported favoured regulation of 368 AS under stress in A. thaliana (Martín et al., 2021) as a potential general feature in seed 369 plants, contrasting with animal AS controlled in a tissue-specific manner 370 (supplementary fig. S2C).

371 To illustrate applications of the generated resources, we integrated multiple regulatory 372 layers across tissues and stressors. Tissue emerged as the primary driver of variation in 373 the data. Our analyses revealed distinctive patterns according to tissues' evolutionary 374 origin, following the order from more to less conserved: needle>bud/root>xylem/phloem 375 (fig. 3C and fig. 4D; supplementary fig. S2A). This trend aligns with the notion of 376 needle identity being more constrained, supporting expected tissue-function acquisition 377 during plant evolution (first photosynthesis), land colonisation (roots, tissue-transitions), 378 and radiation of vascular plants (xylem/phloem) (Clark et al., 2023). Next, we examined 379 tissue AS patterns, given the limited exploration of this aspect in plants. While GE 380 predominantly dictated tissue variation and could differentiate between heterogeneous 381 tissues on its own, splicing is required to distinguish between more dynamic definitions 382 (fig. 4A, B). Additionally, we evaluated the splicing patterns of selected potential isoform 383 markers across tissues with different ages. Interestingly, our observations extended

beyond tissue-specific patterns to include age-specific trends, such as adult tissues preferentially expressing fewer and lower isoforms (**fig. 4E**). This highlights differences in the regulation of tissue-related functions, such as photosynthesis, *CAO*, solute transport, *ERD6*, and environmental perception, *ELF4-like*, through AS. Our findings underscore how the resources provided by Pra-GE-ATLAS can be utilised to generate novel biological insights.

390 Stress biology is a crucial aspect of plant science; however, the convergence among 391 stress mechanisms remains poorly characterised. The transcriptional integration 392 revealed shared variation across stressors (fig. 4F,G), while the proteomic integration 393 depicted highly unique responses (fig. 5). A thorough examination of total proteomes 394 revealed evolutionary signatures shared among abiotic stressors, including similar gene 395 family founder events. The only shared proteomic variation across abiotic stressors 396 described stress-independent subcellular locations, with stress-linked variation 397 remaining highly distinctive. Despite the absence of recent whole-genome duplications 398 in pines, large-scale dispersed duplications are prevalent, and expanded gene families 399 are associated with stress responses (Niu et al., 2022). Considering the distinct stress 400 compositions between both modules, our discoveries suggest that the higher 401 transcriptional convergence may be explained because transcription, as one of the 402 closest regulatory levels to the genome, lacks direct functional effects, and its variation 403 is associated with response, duplication-derived redundancy and stochastic stress 404 reprogramming. In contrast, proteins, being functional components, are modulated only 405 in specialised members of gene families due to the expensive energy investment in 406 translation. Shared variance across stressors was exclusively linked to GE, as AS only 407 explained variance associated with resistant/susceptible genotypes under F. circinatum 408 (fig. 4F-H). This underscores the relevance of AS in detecting stress-related changes at 409 smaller scales, such as genotypes, suggesting the CRK family, known for anti-fungal 410 activity, as novel targets for F. circinatum tolerance (Amaral et al., 2022; Y. Zhang et al., 411 2023). Considering a broader evolutionary context, our data supported the hypothesis 412 that earlier/mild timepoints/intensities could be related with the regulation of younger 413 genes (fig. 4F and fig. 5J; supplementary fig. S2B). However, these effects are 414 partially masked by stronger constraints detected in tissues and subcellular locations.

P. radiata, due to its long-lived nature, provides an ideal example to explore
intergenerational memory. To disentangle memory, we integrated two independently
published matched assays describing chloroplast-enriched proteomes under heat and
UV in two populations with similar genetic-backgrounds but different local-environmental
histories (García-Campa et al., 2022; Lamelas et al., 2022) (fig. 5I-L). Thus, variation

420 with differential contribution among populations could be defined as intergenerational 421 memory consequences. We found memory evidence only under UV, associated with a 422 higher sensitivity of PopE. Two potential non exclusive hypothesis could be highlighted. 423 On one hand, chloroplasts could be more responsive to UV than heat stress, illustrated 424 by younger PAI profiles and a greater variation explained by LF6 than LF9 (fig. 5E-F; 425 supplementary fig. S2E, G). Therefore, depending on the organelle, certain stress 426 modifications may be more proned to be remembered. On the other hand, given the 427 specificity of proteomic responses, it is probable that UV range across locations was 428 more divergent and/or plants were more sensitive to those changes (supplementary 429 fig. S2F). The elevation range, which is related with UV exposure, have been described 430 as a selective pressure on pine evolution, shifting their distribution and species diversity 431 (Jin et al., 2021). Hence, our results suggest that the intergenerational features detected 432 among populations may be originated from a greater susceptibility to elevation range rather than a cross-stress memory. 433

434 While we expect Pra-GE-ATLAS to be useful, we acknowledge certain limitations. As 435 pines are considered non-model species, datasets covered a wide temporal range. 436 Therefore, newly reported datasets, taking advantage of recent technological 437 improvements, increased analytical resolution of MS and enhanced performance of 438 sequencers, will significantly improve the resources presented, owing to higher 439 throughputs. The results promoted the potential application of Pra-GE-ATLAS to test 440 new hypothesis in both intra-species, breeding targets, and inter-species, evolutionary 441 stress studies, contexts. Here, we focused on transcriptomics and proteomics, which are 442 closely linked to gene expression. Given the increasing availability of -omics data, the 443 utility of Pra-GE-ATLAS will continue to grow, providing long-term support with annual 444 updates. Our next steps involve the establishment of variation and metabolomic 445 modules, and, once the genome of *P. radiata* is released, compute high-quality gene 446 models. In summary, Pra-GE-ATLAS aims to narrow the distance between angiosperms 447 and gymnosperms resources and designates the commercial and stress-sensitive 448 species *P. radiata* as a reference for understanding the intriguing evolutionary features 449 of pines.

450 Experimental procedures

451 An overview of the bioinformatic workflow used in this study is shown in **supplementary**

452 fig. S1.

453 Plant materials

To generate the tissues proteomic dataset, we sampled seedlings (one year-old) and adult trees which are maintained under routine management at Plant Physiology Laboratory of the University of Oviedo. Roots (growing tips), young (growth period one cm length) and adult (> 12 cm, mature) needles, and stem (less lignified and mature), apical floral buds were collected. Three biological replicates for each tissue were constituted pooling two different plants.

460 Protein extraction, digestion, fractionation and MS acquisition

461 Protein extraction was performed following phenol-sodium dodecyl sulfate (SDS) 462 protocol according to Valledor et al. (2014). Initial amount varied from 75 to 250 mg of 463 fresh weight depending on the processed tissue. As protein samples were dissolved with 464 the detergent SDS, sixty µg of proteins were in gel fractionated and digested as 465 described by Valledor and Weckwerth (2014). Peptides were cleaned, extracted and 466 desalted as previously described (Valledor and Weckwerth, 2014). Peptides were 467 analysed in a HPLC-MS/MS Orbitrap Fusion spectrometer (ThermoFisher Scientific), 468 employing a 60-min gradient starting with 0.1 % formic acid and with 80 % acetonitrile 469 as the mobile phase.

470 RT-PCR analysis

Total RNA was extracted following Valledor et al. (2014). RNA concentration was determined by a Navi UV/Vis Nano Spectrophotometer and its integrity was checked by agarose gel electrophoresis. Next, cDNA was obtained by RevertAid kit (ThermoFisher Scientific) using random hexamers as primers following manufacturer's instructions. RT-PCR was performed with BesTaq polymerase (**supplementary table S2**). Primers for each AS event were designed to amplify multiple splice variants in a single reaction.

477 Data collection

We collected all transcriptomic data from *P. radiata* (term: "Pinus radiata") available from
the NCBI Short Read Archive with associated published reference to ensure high quality
data (supplementary table S1, last: February 2022). The transcriptomic data collection
covered five tissues (bud, xylem, phloem, needle and megagametophyte), one abiotic
stress (heat), and three biotic stresses (*Fusarium circinatum, Dothistroma septosporum*and *Phytophthora pluvialis*).

We collected all proteomic data from *P. radiata* (term: "Pinus radiata") available based
on PRIDE and PubMed search. Publication was required to ensure high quality data
(supplementary table S3, last: October 2023). The proteomic data collection covered

three tissues generated in this study (root, needle and bud), one biotic stress (*F. circinatum*), and two abiotic stresses (heat and ultraviolet (UV)) over three different
subcellular locations (total proteins, nucleus and chloroplast).

490 Transcriptomics data processing

491 Trimmomatic v0.39 (Bolger et al., 2014), SortMeRNA (Kopylova et al., 2012) and 492 Rcorrector (Song and Florea, 2015) were applied to remove adapters and low-quality 493 reads, filter rRNA and correct sequencing errors, respectively. Fusarium circinatum 494 reads were discarded mapping to FSP34 genome using bowtie2 (Langmead and 495 Salzberg, 2012). Each condition was assembled independently and reads were 496 normalised for those conditions exceeding 200 million reads using Trinity v2.15.1 497 (Grabherr et al., 2011). Cleaned reads were assembled using Trinity v2.15.1 and 498 rnaSPADES v3.14 (Bushmanova et al., 2019). Lastly, assemblies were concatenated 499 through EvidentialGene tr2aacds v2017.12.21 pipeline to reduce redundancy and select 500 for the optimal assembled transcripts. The consensus assembly, based on 501 EvidentialGene primary transcripts, was evaluated using BUSCO v5.2.2 (Simão et al., 502 2015), Trinity v2.15.1 Ex90N50, and backmapping (supplementary table S1).

503 For subsequent procedures, a final assembly was created concatenating EvidentialGene 504 primary transcripts with alternate transcripts. This was achieved after applying cd-hit -c 505 0.905 (Fu et al., 2012) within the alternate set. The final assembly was functionally 506 annotated by EggNOG-mapper v2 (Cantalapiedra et al., 2021), Mercator4 v6 (Schwacke 507 et al., 2019), Interproscan v5.44.79 (Jones et al., 2014) and dammit v1.

508 Salmon v1.5.2 (Patro et al., 2017) was employed to quantify expression levels against 509 Pinus taeda v2.0.1 (the closest species with an available genome), obtained from 510 TreeGenes (Falk et al., 2018; Jin et al., 2021). De novo splicing events were identified, 511 classified, and quantified using KisSplice v2.6.2 (-k 51 -C 0.05) (Sacomoto et al., 2012), 512 Kiss2refgenome v2.0.8, and kissDE v1.4.0, respectively. sva v3.48.0 (Leek et al., 2012) 513 was employed to remove raw counts unwanted variation derived from study/sequencing-514 type. GenEra v1.4 (Barrera-Redondo et al., 2023) was then applied to identify gene 515 families, their founder events, and determine the ages of P. taeda genes. NR database 516 was completed adding gymnosperms data (Abies alba, Ginkgo biloba, Gnetum 517 montanum, Picea abies. Pinus lambertiana. Pseudotsuga menziesii and 518 Sequoiadendron giganteum; TreeGenes).

519 Definitions of core AS and GE sets

520 Gene expression (GE) and alternative splicing (AS) trends were grouped into three core 521 sets. To define the three core sets, we followed a similar approach as described by 522 Martín et al., (2021):

Pan core set referred to genes/events that are expressed/alternatively spliced across most sample types. For PanAS set, we required sufficient read coverage in at least 20 % of the total samples. AS read coverage was defined based on kissDE default. We then defined the PanAS events as those with a Percent-Splice-In (PSI) between 0.1 and 0.9 (alternatively spliced) in > 70 % of samples with sufficient read coverage. For PanGE set only genes with an expression level of at least 20 normalised counts in at least 70 % of samples were considered.

530 Tissue core set referred to genes/events that are up/down regulated across tissues. 531 Megagametophyte was excluded and phloem-xylem samples were grouped as vascular 532 tissue due to the low number of samples. TissueAS required events with sufficient read 533 coverage in at least two replicates for all tissue types, and the absolute difference in PSI 534 between the target tissue and the average of the other tissues must be of at least 0.25. 535 Then, genes with a median expression level of at least 5 normalised counts in at least 536 one tissue type and a fold change of at least 3 in the same direction with related to all 537 other tissues types were kept as TissueGE. DESeq2 v1.40.1 (Love et al., 2014) was 538 applied to compute fold change.

539 To identify stress-regulated AS and GE, each stress experiment was compared against 540 its respective matched control. Since the majority of the stress transcriptomic and 541 proteomic experiments involved sampling similar phases, we uniformly renamed the 542 different time points based on stress duration/intensity. AS events needed to have 543 sufficient read coverage in at least two stress and control replicates for each of the five 544 stress experiments studied. Then, only events with an absolute PSI difference of at least 545 0.15 in the same direction between stress and control conditions for at least two out of 546 five stress experiments were retained as StressAS. Regarding StressGE, the same 547 criteria was required considering at least 5 normalised counts and a fold-change of at 548 least 2 as coverage and magnitude thresholds, respectively. Thus, ensuring that features 549 are expressed/spliced and avoiding ambiguous regulation across stresses in opposite 550 directions.

551 We established control groups for set comparison: background (Genome) and non-552 regulated (NR). Genome comprised events and genes that met the same coverage 553 criteria and filters as those used to define each core set, but without any PSI-/fold 554 change-related requirements. AS-NR group was determined on basis of each AS core 555 set. For TissueAS, AS-NR events were those alternatively spliced and with an absolute 556 PSI difference <0.05 for each tissue versus the rest. For StressAS, AS-NR events were 557 those alternatively spliced in at least one sample and with an absolute PSI difference 558 <0.05 in at least one stress experiment. Finally, to obtain a common AS-NR, we retained 559 events that were part of both AS-NR sets. The intersections between genes and events 560 were assessed using nVennR v0.2.3 (Pérez-Silva et al., 2018).

561 Predicted protein impact and genomic regulatory feature analysis

562 Splicing variation effect were determined using custom scripts employing the following 563 approach: (i) Kiss2refgenome v2.0.8 coordinates and GTF annotations were used to 564 determine if the variation occurred inside/outside of coding-sequence (CDS), (ii) CDS-565 affecting isoforms were examined to detect if variation led to the introduction of 566 premature termination codons (PTCs), (iii) CDS-affecting isoforms without PTCs 567 underwent further evaluation to check if the variation disrupted the open reading frame 568 (ORF) frameshift.

- 569 To compare exon and intron features associated with different AS core sets, Matt v1.3.1 570 (Gohr and Irimia, 2019) was employed. Briefly, Matt *cmpr_introns*, for intron retention 571 (IR) events, and *cmpr_exons*, for exon skipping (ES) and alternative acceptor/donor site 572 (altAD, both 5' and 3'), commands were employed to extract and compare multiple intron 573 and exon genomic features associated with AS regulation. Statistical significance was 574 addressed by comparing each set to Genome.
- 575 Proteomics data processing

576 Proteome Discoverer 2.2 (Thermo Fisher Scientific, USA) along with the Sequest-HT 577 and MS-Amanda algorithms, were employed for peptide processing, and protein 578 identification-quantification, establishing at least one high-confidence unique peptide 579 umbral for protein identification and one peptide (unique/razor) per protein for label-free 580 quantification. The final assembly underwent six-frame translation, and peptides 581 exceeding 50 amino acids were retained and used as database.

582 Each proteome underwent preprocesing using pRocessomics v.0.1.13 583 (github.com/Valledor/pRocessomics). In summary, missing values and additional 584 replicates for the Fusarium circinatum, heat stress total, and UV nucleus proteomes, 585 were imputed using random forest method, with a threshold of 34 %. Variables present 586 in less than 50 % of samples were dropped out. Abundance values were normalised by 587 sample-centric approach and multiplied by the average intensity of all samples. Protein 588 abundances were transformed with a log10(+1.1) for subsequent analyses. sva v3.48.0

was employed to remove abundance unwanted variation. GenEra v1.4 was employed,
as mentioned above, using *P. radiata* proteins as query.

591 Proteins differential analyses

592 Statistical analyses of protein-level differential abundance were carried out using the sva 593 v3.48.0 coupled to limma v3.56.2 (Ritchie et al., 2015) employing FDR < 0.05 as 594 threshold. For volcano, proteins were required to exhibit a log2(fold change)>1.5 to be 595 considered biologically relevant. The intersections between differential proteins were 596 assessed using UpSetR v1.4.0 (Conway et al., 2017).

597 Co-expression network analyses

598 Weighted Gene Co-expression Analysis (WGCNA) was conducted using WGCNA v1.72-599 1 (Langfelder and Horvath, 2008) to identify highly co-expressed genes (DESeg2 VST) 600 and proteins (log10(+1.1)). A signed-hybrid type of adjacency matrix was constructed, 601 with β = 7/9 for proteins/genes, using biweight midcorrelation. Hierarchical clustering was 602 performed, and co-expression modules were identified using dynamic tree cut height of 603 0.3 and a minimum module size of 30. Modules were named based on their size. Module 604 eigengenes were employed to compute correlations between modules and design 605 factors (traits). Only correlations with an adjusted-P<0.05 were considered. Module 606 membership was computed based on the correlation between genes and module 607 eigengenes for each module.

608 Enrichment analyses

Enrichment analyses using Mercator4 terms were conducted using fgsea v1.26.0. Briefly, for the transcriptomics module, we applied an overrepresentation analysis (adjusted-P < 0.1). Meanwhile, for the proteins, gene set enrichment analyses (adjusted-P < 0.1) were performed using limma-derived statistics and modules membership.

613 Evolutionary transcriptomics and proteomics

To investigate the potential existence of evolutionary constraints, we employed myTAI v0.9.3 (Drost et al., 2018). For evolutionary transcriptomics analyses, *P. taeda* gene ages and VST expression data were employed. For evolutionary proteomics analyses, *P. radiata* protein ages and log10(+1.1) abundance data were used. In both cases, the Transcriptome/Proteome Age Index (TAI/PAI) approach was followed for gene/protein age evaluation. The significance of evolutionary constraint was assessed using the FlatLineTest. 621 Relative contribution of tissues and stress conditions to global PSI variation 622 For the comparisons of the relative contribution to the total PSI variation of tissue versus 623 stress, we adopted a similar approach as described by Martín et al. (2021). We 624 incorporated data from Martín et al. (2021) for Arabidopsis thaliana, Drosophila 625 melanogaster and Homo sapiens. Due to the limited number of abiotic stress 626 transcriptomic experiments in *P. radiata* and to find general stress trends, we chose to 627 merge abiotic and biotic experiments. We required that AS events must have read 628 coverage in all tissue types and three stress experiments, with a global PSI variation 629 exceeding 10.

630 Inference of hidden factors from multiple stresses and tissues sources

631 The Inference of sources of variation was carried out using MOFA2 (docker latest image: 632 2e858d684c5f) (Argelaguet et al., 2020). To characterise transcriptional variation in 633 tissues, an ungrouped framework was executed, considering expression (VST) and 634 splicing (PSI) as two distinct regulatory layers. Only the top 10,000 features with the 635 highest variance (HVF) were considered. For the assessment of transcriptional variation 636 between stresses, a grouped framework was employed, splitting AS by type and 637 considering the top 10,000 and 5,000 HVFs for expression and splicing-related layers, 638 respectively. To evaluate proteomic (log10(+1.1)) variation between stresses, three 639 different grouped frameworks were computed, removing low variance features in each 640 model. In all cases, model training was performed with maxiter = 100,000 and 641 convergence mode = "slow". Each biologically relevant latent factor underwent 642 enrichment analysis (adjusted-P < 0.1).

643 Database resource

We developed P(inus)ra(diata)-G(ene)E(xpression)-ATLAS database, a comprehensive
multi-omics hub aimed to provide public access to the information generated in this work.
Pra-GE-ATLAS features three main tools: 1) Search section with interactive tables and
heatmaps for quick retrieval of protein-, transcript-, splicing event-information. 2)
Diamond BLASTP sequence alignment (Buchfink et al., 2021). 3) Shiny-application to
compute *P. radiata* orthologs based on our consensus assembly using orthologr (Drost
et al., 2015). Pra-GE-ATLAS is available at https://rocesv.github.io/Pra-GE-ATLAS.

651 Accesion numbers

All the data generated in this study are available at Pra-GE-ATLAS database
<u>https://rocesv.github.io/Pra-GE-ATLAS</u> and <u>https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.10494507</u>.
The code used in this work is available at <u>https://github.com/RocesV/Pra-GE-</u>

ATLAS manuscript. The mass spectrometry data have been deposited to the
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663 Short legends for Supporting Information

664 Figure S1. Overview of the methods workflow.

665 Figure S2. Evolutionary transcriptomics and proteomics patterns, tissues vs 666 stress contribution to global PSI variation in different species and populations 667 experimental design. A) Transcriptomic Age Index (TAI) of tissues corresponding high 668 values to younger genes. Flat line test p-value < 0.05 highlights a significant evolutionary 669 pattern. B) Transcriptomic Age Index (TAI) corresponding high values to younger genes. 670 HS = heat; DO = Dothistroma; PH = Phytophthora; FU = Fusarium. Individual stress 671 experiments with significant evolutionary patterns are highlighted with "*". C) Comparison 672 of the relative contribution to the total PSI variation of the tissue samples vs stress 673 experiments in each species. The total PSI variation for each AS event is calculated as 674 the sum of two relative contributions: (i) the PSI range across tissues, (ii) the maximum 675 difference between PSI among stress experiments (see Methods). Colours represent 676 the number of AS events found on each intersection between the relative contributions 677 (in percentage) for each set of samples. D) Proteomic age index (PAI) of all stresses 678 total proteomes corresponding high values to younger protein genes. E) Proteomic age 679 index (PAI) of abiotic stresses all proteomes corresponding high values to younger 680 protein genes. F) Intergenerational stress populations experimental design. The 681 divergent local-environment conditions involved, setting Population T as reference, +50 682 meters elevation, +44 mm mean rainfall, and +1.72 mean °C. Nevertheless, PopE plants 683 were fertirrigated during the dry months. G) Proteomic age index (PAI) of abiotic stresses 684 chloroplast proteomes corresponding high values to younger protein genes.

685 **Table S1. Transcriptomic data collection and consensus assembly evaluation.**

Table S2. Primers used for the validation of tissues/age-induced alternativesplicing.

688 Table S3. Proteomic data collection.

689 Conflict of interest

690 The authors declare there is no conflict of interest.

691 Author contributions

692 VR and LV conceived the study. VR and JLM designed the research. LV and performed 693 proteomic experiments. VR and LV collected the data. VR performed computational 694 analyses, built the database and figures, analysed-interpreted the data and wrote the 695 manuscript draft under supervision of LV, JLM and MJC. All authors revised, read, and 696 approved the final manuscript.

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851 Figure legends

Figure 1. Overview of Pra-GE-ATLAS. Pra-GE-ATLAS is a refined multi-omics platform
compiling the largest transcriptomics and proteomics collections to date for *P. radiata*.
Pra-GE-ATLAS provides user-friendly search functionalities and tools to explore and
analyse processed tissue- and stress-related changes, as well as to extrapolate data
from other species to this reference. Pra-GE-ATLAS DB is available at:
<u>https://rocesv.github.io/Pra-GE-ATLAS/</u>.

858 Figure 2. Transcriptional module global description. A) Venn diagrams showing all 859 intersections between gene expression (GE, upper) and alternative splicing (AS, lower) 860 core sets (see Methods). Pan = genes/events that are expressed/alternatively spliced 861 in the vast majority of samples; Stress = genes/events that are up/down regulated in 862 stress experiments; Tissue = genes/events that are up/down regulated across tissues. 863 B) Proportion of each type of AS event in each AS core set (see Methods). NR = non-864 regulated; Genome = background set constituted by events that passed the same 865 coverage criteria and filters; IR = intron retention; ES = exon skipping; AltAD = alternative 866 splice acceptor/donor sites; AS-Unknown = events that passed coverage criteria and 867 filters without classification. Significant enrichment compared to genome background are 868 marked with "*". C) Venn diagrams showing intersections between gene expression (GE, 869 left) and alternative splicing (AS, right) genes for each core set. D) Percentage of intron 870 retention (first), exon skipping (second) and alternative splice donor and acceptor sites 871 (Alternative A/D, third) events belonging to the different AS core sets located out/in CDS 872 regions. Among the latter category (in CDS regions), the percentage of events with 873 potential effects in protein levels are indicated. Gen. = genome background; Not-CDS = 874 outside CDS regions; PTC = sequence variation inside CDS regions introduce premature 875 termination codons; Disrupt = sequence variation inside CDS regions force out of frame 876 reading; Change = sequence variation inside CDS change CDS region sequence. 877 Significant enrichment compared to genome background are marked with "*". E) 878 Schematic representation of genomic regulatory features associated with each AS core 879 sets for introns (first) and exons (second and third). Only features with statistical 880 significant differences for each AS core set were represented. Arrows summarise which 881 features show significant differences respect to Genome background and the direction 882 of these differences (higher-red or lower-blue). "X" indicates no statistically significant 883 difference. Intron features (first) include (from top to bottom and left to right): length of 884 the upstream (UP) exon, target intron, polypyrimidine tract (PT) and downstream (DO) 885 exon; GC content of the upstream 5' splice region; number of introns; distance between 886 branch point (BP) and 3' splice site (ss); score of the polypyrimidine tract; rank and/or 887 position of the target intron. Exon features for exon skipping (second) include (from top 888 to bottom and left to right): length of the upstream exon, upstream intron, upstream 889 polypyrimidine tract, target exon, downstream intron, downstream exon and transcript; 890 GC content of the target exon, 5' splice region and downstream exon; score of the 891 upstream branch point, polypyrimidine tract, 5' splice region and downstream branch 892 point; rank and/or position of the target exon. Exon features for alternative acceptor 893 donor site (third) include (from top to bottom and left to right): length of the downstream 894 exon and transcript; GC content of the upstream 5' splice region, target exon and 895 downstream exon; score of the upstream and downstream branch points; rank and/or 896 position of the target exon. F) Heatmaps depicting significant overrepresented Mercator 897 functional categories (p-value adjusted < 0.1; -log10(p-adjusted)) and network modules-898 trait correlations (p-value adjusted < 0.05; pearson). Biosynthe = biosynthesis; hom = 899 homeostasis; CHO = carbohydrate; met = metabolism; reg = regulation; org = 900 organisation: PS = photosynthesis; resp = response; cellular resp = cellular respiration; 901 transloc = translocation; mod = modification; dmg = damage.

902 Figure 3. Protein module global description. A) From left to right: heatmaps showing 903 Mercator functional categories normalised enrichment scores (NES, first), significance 904 (p-value adjusted < 0.1, second) and matrix layout (third) for all intersections of 905 differential proteins between tissues. Letters in significance heatmap highlight for which 906 tissue the functional term is significantly enriched. B = Bud; N = Needle. B) Summary of 907 volcano analyses (see Methods) indicating top marker proteins for each differential 908 contrast between tissues. C) Proteomic Age Index (PAI) corresponding high values to 909 younger protein genes. Flat line test p-value < 0.05 highlight a significant evolutionary 910 pattern. D) From left to right: heatmaps showing Mercator functional categories 911 normalised enrichment scores (NES, first), significance (p-value adjusted < 0.1, second) 912 and matrix layout (third) for all intersections of differential proteins between stress 913 experiments. Letters in significance heatmap highlight for which condition the functional term is significantly enriched. H = Heat; U = UV; C = Control; R = Recovery. E) Summary 914 915 of volcano analyses (see **Methods**) indicating top marker proteins for each differential 916 contrast between stress conditions. F) Heatmap depicting significant network modules-917 trait correlations (p-value adjusted < 0.05; Pearson). T1-T4 correspond to low-very high 918 stress intensities. FU = Fusarium. G) From left to right: heatmaps showing Mercator

919 functional categories normalised enrichment scores (NES, first) and significance (p-920 value adjusted < 0.1, second) for all network modules. "*" in significance heatmap 921 highlights for which particular module the functional term is significant. Met = metabolism; 922 hom = homeostasis; resp = response; cellular resp = cellular respiration; mod = 923 modification; reg = regulation; org = organisation; PS = photosynthesis; act = action; dmg 924 = damage.

925 Figure 4. Identification of the main transcriptional sources of variation in tissues 926 and stresses. A) Percentage of explained variance (%) by each latent factor (LF) and 927 regulatory layer (gene expression, GE; alternative splicing, AS) for ungrouped tissues 928 framework. B) Scatter plot of latent factor 1 (x-axis) and latent factor 3 (y-axis) illustrating 929 the variation described. Samples are coloured according to tissues. C) Table showing 930 top absolute loading genes for latent factors 1 and 3. D) Heatmaps depicting significant 931 (FDR < 0.1, -log10(FDR)) enriched Mercator functional terms (green), genes ages 932 (purple) and family founder events ages (blue) for each regulatory layer. PS/F = 933 gene/family-founder phylostratum. Lower phylostratum values correspond to genes with 934 older origins. E) Experimental validation of tissues/age-induced AS events by RT-PCR. 935 The primers used allow the amplification of multiple splice variants (see Methods). F) 936 Percentage of explained variance (%) by each latent factor (LF) and regulatory layer 937 (gene expression, GE; intron retention, IR; exon skipping, ES; alternative acceptor donor 938 site, Alt; alternative splicing without classification, AS) for grouped stress framework. G) 939 Scatter plots of latent factors 1, 2 and 3 illustrating the variation described. Colours 940 denote stress treatments. Different figures denote genotypes. DO = Dothistroma; FU = 941 *Fusarium*; HS = heat; PH = *Phytophthora*; dmg = damage. T1-T4 correspond to low-very 942 high stress intensities. H) Table showing top absolute loading genes for latent factors 1, 943 2 and 3. I) Heatmaps depicting significant (FDR < 0.1, -log10(FDR)) enriched Mercator 944 functional terms (green), genes ages (purple) and family founder events ages (blue) for 945 gene expression and intron retention regulatory layers. PS1 = cellular organisms; PS2 = 946 Eukaryota; PS3 = Viridiplantae; PS4 = Streptophyta; PS5 = Streptophytina; PS6 = 947 Embryophyta; PS7 = Tracheophyta; PS8 = Euphyllophyta; PS9 = Spermatophyta; PS10 948 = Acrogymnospermae; PS11 = Pinidae; PS12 = Pinaceae; met = metabolism; CHO = 949 carbohydrate; org = organisation; resp = response; reg = regulation; hom = homeostasis; 950 mod = modification; transloc = translocation; PS = photosynthesis; biosynthe = 951 biosynthesis.

Figure 5. Characterisation of shared and unique sources of stress variation at
protein level. Due to the high complexity of proteomics data four LFs were selected to
perform in-depth characterisation. A) Percentage of explained variance (%) by each

955 latent factor (LF) for grouped all stresses total proteomes framework. FU = Fusarium; 956 HS = heat. B) Scatter plots of latent factors 1, 2, 3 and 4 illustrating the variation 957 described. Colours denote stress treatments. R = Recovery. T1-T4 correspond to low-958 very high stress intensities. C) Table showing top absolute loading proteins for latent 959 factors 1, 2, 3 and 4. D) Heatmaps depicting significant (FDR < 0.1, -log10(FDR)) 960 enriched Mercator functional terms (green), genes ages (purple) and family founder 961 events ages (blue). PS/F = gene/family-founder phylostratum. Lower phylostratum 962 values correspond to genes with older origins. E) Percentage of explained variance (%) 963 by each latent factor (LF) for grouped abiotic stresses all proteomes framework. F) 964 Scatter plots of latent factors 2, 6, 7 and 9 illustrating the variation described. Colours 965 denote stress intensity. Figures denote subcellular location. Chloro = chloroplast. G) 966 Table showing top absolute loading proteins for latent factors 2, 6, 7 and 9. H) Heatmaps 967 depicting significant (FDR < 0.1, -log10(FDR)) enriched Mercator functional terms 968 (green), genes ages (purple) and family founder events ages (blue). I) Percentage of 969 explained variance (%) by each latent factor (LF) for grouped abiotic stresses chloroplast 970 proteomes framework. LF1 was excluded because it only represented study batch effect. 971 PopE = population E (non-stressed); PopT = population T (stressed) (see972 supplementary fig. S2F). J) Scatter plots of latent factors 2, 3, 5 and 6 illustrating the 973 variation described. Colours denote stress intensity. Figures denote stress type. E = 974 population E; T = population T. K) Table showing top absolute loading proteins for latent 975 factors 2, 3, 5 and 6. L) Heatmaps depicting significant (FDR < 0.1, -log10(FDR)) 976 enriched Mercator functional terms (green), genes ages (purple) and family founder 977 events ages (blue). PS1 = cellular organisms; PS2 = Eukaryota; PS3 = Viridiplantae; 978 PS4 = Streptophyta; PS5 = Streptophytina; PS6 = Embryophyta; PS7 = Tracheophyta; 979 PS8 = Euphyllophyta; PS9 = Spermatophyta; PS10 = Acrogymnospermae; PS11 = 980 Pinidae; PS12 = Pinaceae; met = metabolism; CHO = carbohydrate; org = organisation; 981 resp = response; reg = regulation; hom = homeostasis; mod = modification; transloc = 982 translocation; PS = photosynthesis; biosynthe = biosynthesis.



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