

Supporting Information

Table S1. Primers used in this study

Primer Name	Primer Sequence (5' to 3')
delUra3-39850-hyg-F	TGGTGAAGGATAAGTTTTGACCATCAAAGAAGGTTATAACTTCGTATAGCATACATTATACGAAGTTATCCAGC GACATGGAGGCCC
delUra3-39850-hyg-R	TTTCTTTCCAATTTTTTTTTTTTCGTCATTATAAAATAACTTCGTATAATGTATGCTATAC GAAGTTATCAGTTTTCGACACTGGATGGC
LoxP-Ura-XhoI-F	ATCTCGAGATAACTTCGTATAGCATACATTATACGAAGTTATAATGTGGCTGTGGTTTCA
LoxP-Ura-Sall-R	TATGTCGACATAACTTCGTATAATGTATGCTATACGAAGTTATAATCATTACGACCGAGA
CrtW-Uni-BamHI-F	CTAGATATCGGATCCAAAACAATG
CrtW-Uni-Sall-R	CAGGCCTCTGCAGTCGAC
CrtZ-Uni-SpeI-F	GGATCCGATACTAGTAAAACAATG
CrtZ-Uni-EcoRI-R	ACGACGGCCAGTGAATTC
Crt-Univ-BamHI-F	ACAATAGGATCCAAAACAATG
Crt-Univ-Sall-R	GATCCGATTATGTGCGAC
BradW_LgFs_PaZ_R1	AGAGCCGGGTCCGCCAGAGCCTCCGCCGCCATCTCTTCTTTCCAATGCTCT
BradW_LgFs_PaZ_F2	GGCGGCGGAGGCTCTGGCGGACCCGGCTCTATGTTGTGGATCTGGAACG
BradW_LgFs_PaZ_Sall_R2	ATATGTGCGACTTATTTACCTGATGCTGGTTC
BrevW_LgFs_AaZ_R1	AGAGCCGGGTCCGCCAGAGCCTCCGCCGCCAGAAAACAAAGACCACCATG
BrevW_LgFs_AaZ_F2	GGCGGCGGAGGCTCTGGCGGACCCGGCTCTATGGCAAATTTCTTGATCGTT
BrevW_LgFs_AaZ_Sall_R2	ATATGTGCGACTTATGTTCTTTCTTGTGCTTC
AaZ_LgFs_BrevW_BamH I F1	ATATGGATCCAAAACAATGGCAAATTTCTTG
AaZ_LgFs_BrevW_R1	AGAGCCGGGTCCGCCAGAGCCTCCGCCGCCGCTGTTCTTTCTTGTGCTTCAG
AaZ_LgFs_BrevW_F2	GGCGGCGGAGGCTCTGGCGGACCCGGCTCTATGTCAGCTGTTACTCCAAT
PaZ_LgFs_BradW_BamH I F1	ATATGGATCCAAAACAATGTTGTGGATCTGG
PaZ_LgFs_BradW_R1	AGAGCCGGGTCCGCCAGAGCCTCCGCCGCCCTTTACCTGATGCTGGTTCAT
PaZ_LgFs_BradW_F2	GGCGGCGGAGGCTCTGGCGGACCCGGCTCTATGCATGCAGCTACAGCA
BradW_GS_PaZ_R1	GATCCACAACATagaaccATCTCTTCTTTCCAATGCTCT
BradW_GS_PaZ_F2	GAAAGAAGAGATggttctATGTTGTGGATCTGGAACG

BrevW_GS_AaZ_R1	GAAATTTGCCATagaaccAGAAAACAAAGACCACCATG
BrevW_GS_AaZ_F2	TCTTTGTTTTCTgggttctATGGCAAATTTCTTGATCGTT
AaZ_GS_BrevW_R1	AACAGCTGACATagaaccTGTTCTTTCTTGCTTCAG
AaZ_GS_BrevW_F2	CAAGAAAGAACAggttctATGTCAGCTGTTACTCCAAT
PaZ_GS_BradW_R1	AGCTGCATGCATagaaccTTTACCTGATGCTGGTTCAT
PaZ_GS_BradW_F2	GCATCAGGTAAAggttctATGCATGCAGCTACAGCA
BrevW_LgFs_SpYB_F2	GGCGGCGGAGGCTCTGGCGGACCCGGCTCTatgggtttcgattactggtt
BrevW_LgFs_SpYB_R2	ATATGTCGACTtataaagctctccatgctgt
PaZ-WEHDEL-Sall-R	TATAGTCGACTTATAGTTCATCATGTTCCCATTACCTGATGCTGGTTCATC
AaZ-WEHDEL-Sall-R	TATAGTCGACTTATAGTTCATCATGTTCCCATTGTTCTTTCTTGCTTCAG
BrevW-WEHDEL-Sall-R	TATAGTCGACTCATAGTTCATCATGTTCCCAAGAAAACAAAGACCACCATG
BradW-WEHDEL-Sall-R	TATAGTCGACTCATAGTTCATCATGTTCCCAATCTCTTCTTTCCAATGCTC
PaZ-ZmOle-R	AGAGCCGGGTCCGCCAGAGCCTCCGCCGCCTTTACCTGATGCTGGTTCATC
AaZ-ZmOle-R	AGAGCCGGGTCCGCCAGAGCCTCCGCCGCCTGTTCTTTCTTGCTTCAG
BrevW-ZmOle-R	AGAGCCGGGTCCGCCAGAGCCTCCGCCGCCAGAAAACAAAGACCACCATG
BradW-ZmOle-R	AGAGCCGGGTCCGCCAGAGCCTCCGCCGCCATCTCTTCTTTCCAATGCTC
LF-ZmOle-F	GGCGGCGGAGGCTCTGG
LF-ZmOle-Sall-R	TATAGTCGACTCAGGATGAAGCTCTACCACC
1622_int_F_loxP	AATATTGTAGTGCAGAAGGTAACAGCAAAAACAAATAGTTCACCCCCCCTCGAGATAAC
1622_int_R_loxP	GGAATTAGTTTATTAGAGGAAGTGCCAGGCGACATAAAGTTCCGCTCTAGAACTAGTATC
1622_ups_seq_F	TCCTAATTGTGTTTTATCCG
1622_dwst_seq_R	ATTCCTGCTTCGATTGAG
TEF1-ARE2-F	TAGAAAGAAAGCATAGCAATCTAATCTAAGTTTAAAACAATGGACAAGAAGAAGGATCTA
TEF1-ARE2-R	GCCTGGTAAAGTTGTGTGCTAGTGTCTCCCGTCTTCTGTTTAGAATGTCAAGTACAACGT
TEF1-TDH3-F1	TCGTTCTCCAGTAGATCCTTCTTCTTGCCATTGTTTTAACTTAGATTAGATTGCTATG
TEF1-TDH3-R1	CGTATTCTTTGAAATGGCAGTATTGATAATGATAAACTCATAGCTTCAAAATGTTTCTAC
TEF1-TDH3-F2	GGAAGAGTAAAAAAGGAGTAGAAACATTTTGAAGCTATGAGTTTATCATTATCAATACTG
TEF1-TDH3-R2	AACTCTTCGTCTTGCAACAAATCCTTAGTCTCCGTCATTGTTTTGTTTGTATGTGTGT
TDH3-ARE1-F	AAGAAGTTAGTTTCGAATAAACACACATAAACAAACAAACAAATGACGGAGACTAAGGAT
TDH3-ARE1-R	AAAATTAATAAAAAAAAAAATCTTTGACTATTCAATCATTGCGCTCATAAGGTCAGGTACAA
1622_dwst_seq_R	ATTCCTGCTTCGATTGAG
1622_dwst_R_new	TGTTTATGGGTGTCATCACCC
1414_int_F_loxP	GTAATCTGGCATTTCATACTATCATTGCTCAAATTATCCGCCGCCCCCCCCTCGAGATAAC
1414_int_R_loxP	TCTTTTGTCTTTTTCTTTTTTTGGAGATGCGTCTTAAAAACCGCTCTAGAACTAGTATC
1414_upst_seq_F	TCCAAAAAAGTGTTTCATTTCG
1414_dwst_seq_R	CCTTACTCCCAAGCAATAAACG
511_int_F_loxP	GAGAGAAGACTAAAAATATCTGCTGCAAGAACAAAAATGGGGCGAATTGGGTACCATAAC
511_int_R_loxP	TTTCATAGCATTCAAAAACCGTTGCTGTGTAAAAAAGTCgctcAAATTCATCCTCTATC

511_upst_seq_F	TATCTGAGCATACCCGCC
511_dwst_seq_R	GTGTTGAGCGTGTAGCTG
106_int_F_loxP	AAAAAAAAAATAGCCGCCATGACCTCGGATCGTCGGTTGTGGCGAATTGGGTACCATAAC
106_int_R_loxP	TTTCTTCCTTGTTATTTTCTTAGTTCTGAAGTTTGACCAgctcAAATTCATCCTCTATC
106_ups_seq_F	AGGTGAATTATTTTCCCCC
106_dwst_seq_R	GCGAAAATCTTTCTGCCGG
delGal80_F	AATCTCGATAGTTGGTTTCCCCTTTCCACTCCCGTCATGCATAGGCCACTAGTGGAT
delGal80_R	GTTTCGCTGCACTGGGGGCCAAGCACAGGGCAAGATGCTTTTACAGCTGAAGCTTCGTACG
delGal80_seq_5end	AAGAAAATCACACGAGCG
Ura3_int_R	AATTGGTCTTCTTTTCATCC

Genotypes of strains used in this study

WWY005: CEN.PK2-1C, 416d::*HIS3_T_{HMG1}-tHMGR-P_{GAL1}-P_{GAL10}-ERG12-T_{ERG12}*, 308a::*LEU2_T_{HMG1}-tHMGR-P_{GAL1}-P_{GAL10}-ERG8-T_{ERG8}*, 720a::*TRP1_T_{HMG1}-tHMGR-P_{GAL1}-P_{GAL10}-ERG19-T_{ERG19}*, SAP155c::*loxP_T_{ERG13}-ERG13-P_{GAL1}-P_{GAL10}-IDI1-T_{IDI1}*, YPRCd15c::*loxP_T_{ERG10}-ERG10-P_{GAL1}-P_{GAL10}-ERG20-T_{ERG20}*.

Sp_Bc: WWY005 1021b::*T_{PRM9}-SpCrtE(opt)-P_{GAL1}-P_{GAL10}-SpCrtYB(opt)-T_{GAL10}-P_{GAL7}-SpCrtI(opt)-T_{CPS1}*.

FPPY005: BCC39850, *his3Δ; leu2Δ; ura3Δ*; YPRCΔ15c::*loxP_T_{ERG10}-ERG10-P_{GAL1}-P_{GAL10}-ERG20-T_{ERG20}*; ARS308a::*loxP_T_{HMG1}-tHMGR-P_{GAL1}-P_{GAL10}-ERG8-T_{ERG8}*; ARS1021::*loxP_T_{ERG13}-ERG13-P_{GAL1}-P_{GAL10}-IDI1-T_{IDI1}*; ARS720a::*loxP_T_{HMG1}-tHMGR-P_{GAL1}-P_{GAL10}-ERG19-T_{ERG19}*; ARS1309::*loxP_T_{HMG1}-tHMGR-P_{GAL1}-P_{GAL10}-ERG12-T_{ERG12}*

BeCaYeast: FPPY005 1622::*T_{PRM9}-SpCrtE(opt)-P_{GAL1}-P_{GAL10}-SpCrtYB(opt)-T_{GAL10}-P_{GAL7}-SpCrtI(opt)-T_{CPS1}*.

Plasmid pRSII416-loxp-Ura3-BCC39850-loxp-SpCrtE-SpCrtYB-SpCrtI: The Ura3 selectable marker was amplified from the genomic DNA of TBRC-BCC39850 using primers LoxP-Ura-XhoI-F and LoxP-Ura-SalI-R. Both of these primers contain the LoxP sequence. The purified fragment was ligated to the *XhoI/SalI* sites of pRSII416-*crt* (Watcharawipas *et al.*, 2021) to create pRSII416-loxp-Ura3-BCC39850-loxp-SpCrtE-SpCrtYB-SpCrtI.

Plasmid pRSII426-PaCrtZ-pGAL1/10-BrevCrtW: The β -carotene ketolase gene from *Brevundimonas vesicularis* (*BrevCrtW*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from the pUC57-BrevCrtW using primers CrtW-uni-BamHI-F and CrtW-uni-SalI-R. The purified fragment was ligated to the *BamHI/SalI* site of pRSII426-Gal1/10-PaCrtZ to create pRSII426-PaCrtZ-pGAL1/10-BrevCrtW.

Plasmid pRSII426-PaCrtZ-pGAL1/10-BradCrtW: The β -carotene ketolase gene from *Bradyrhizobium* sp. ORS278 (*BradCrtW*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from the pUC57-BradCrtW using primers CrtW-uni-BamHI-F and CrtW-uni-Sall-R. The purified fragment was ligated to the *BamHI/Sall* site of pRSII426-Gal1/10-PaCrtZ to create pRSII426-PaCrtZ-pGAL1/10-BradCrtW.

Plasmid pRSII426-SpCrtYB-pGAL1/10-BradCrtW: The β -carotene ketolase gene from *Bradyrhizobium* sp. ORS278 (*BradCrtW*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from the pUC57-BradCrtW using primers CrtW-uni-BamHI-F and CrtW-uni-Sall-R. The purified fragment was ligated to the *BamHI/Sall* site of pRSII426-Gal1/10 to create pRSII426-pGAL1/10-BradCrtW. *SpCrtYB* codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from the pUC57-SpCrtYB using primers SpCrtYBCodOp-SpeI-F and SpCrtYBCodOp-EcoRI-R. The purified fragment was ligated to the *EcoRI/SpeI* sites of pRSII426-pGAL1/10-BradCrtW to create pRSII426-SpCrtYB-pGAL1/10-BradCrtW.

Plasmid pRSII426-loxp-Ura3-BCC39850-loxp-SpCrtYB-pGAL1/10-BradCrtW: The Ura3 selectable marker was amplified from the genomic DNA of TBRC-BCC39850 using primers LoxP-Ura-XhoI-F and LoxP-Ura-Sall-R. Both of these primers contain the LoxP sequence. The purified fragment was ligated to the *XhoI/Sall* sites of pRSII426-SpCrtYB-pGAL1/10-BradCrtW to create pRSII426-loxp-Ura3-BCC39850-loxp-SpCrtYB-pGAL1/10-BradCrtW.

Plasmid pRSII426-PaCrtZ-pGAL1/10-HpBkt-Tmut: The β -carotene ketolase gene from *Haematococcus pluvialis* with the triple mutations H165R/V264D/F298Y (*HpBkt*_{H165R/V264D/F298Y}) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from the pUC57-HpBkt-Tmut using primers CrtW-uni-BamHI-F and CrtW-uni-Sall-R. The purified fragment was ligated to the *BamHI/Sall* site of pRSII426-Gal1/10-PaCrtZ to create pRSII426-PaCrtZ-pGAL1/10-HpBkt-Tmut.

Plasmid pRSII426-Gal1/10-BradCrtW-GGGGSGGPGS-PaCrtZ: The β -carotene ketolase gene from *Bradyrhizobium* sp. ORS278 (*BradCrtW*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from pUC57-BradCrtW using primers CrtW-uni-BamHI-F and BradW_LgFs_PaZ_R1. The β -carotene hydroxylase gene from *Pantoea ananatis* (*PaCrtZ*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from pUC57-PaCrtZ using primers BradW_LgFs_PaZ_F2 and BradW_LgFs_PaZ_Sall_R2. These two DNA fragments were assembled together by overlap-extension PCR (OE-PCR). The resulting cassette was ligated to the *BamHI/Sall* sites of pRSII426-Gal1/10 to create pRSII426-Gal1/10-BradCrtW-GGGGSGGPGS-PaCrtZ.

Plasmid pRSII426-Gal1/10-BradCrtW-GS-PaCrtZ: The β -carotene ketolase gene from *Bradyrhizobium* sp. ORS278 (*BradCrtW*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from pUC57-BradCrtW using primers CrtW-uni-BamHI-F

and BradW_GS_PaZ_R1. The β -carotene hydroxylase gene from *Pantoea ananatis* (*PaCrtZ*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from pUC57-*PaCrtZ* using primers BradW_GS_PaZ_F2 and BradW_GS_PaZ_Sall_R2. These two DNA fragments were assembled together by overlap-extension PCR (OE-PCR). The resulting cassette was ligated to the *Bam*HI/*Sall* sites of pRSII426-Gal1/10 to create pRSII426-Gal1/10-BradCrtW-GS-*PaCrtZ*.

Plasmid pRSII426-loxp-Ura3-BCC39850-loxp-Gal1/10-BradCrtW-GS-*PaCrtZ*: The Ura3 selectable marker was amplified from the genomic DNA of TBRC-BCC39850 using primers LoxP-Ura-XhoI-F and LoxP-Ura-Sall-R. Both of these primers contain the LoxP sequence. The purified fragment was ligated to the *Xho*I/*Sall* sites of pRSII426-Gal1/10-BradCrtW-GS-*PaCrtZ* to create pRSII426-loxp-Ura3-BCC39850-loxp-Gal1/10-BradCrtW-GS-*PaCrtZ*.

Plasmid pRSII426-Gal1/10-*PaCrtZ*-GGGGSGGPGS-BradCrtW: The β -carotene hydroxylase gene from *Pantoea ananatis* (*PaCrtZ*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from pUC57-*PaCrtZ* using primers CrtZ-uni-SpeI-F and PaZ_LgFs_BradW_R1. The β -carotene ketolase gene from *Bradyrhizobium* sp. ORS278 (*BradCrtW*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from pUC57-BradCrtW using primers PaZ_LgFs_BradW_F2 and Crt-Univ-Sall-R. These two DNA fragments were assembled together by overlap-extension PCR (OE-PCR). The resulting cassette was ligated to the *Bam*HI/*Sall* sites of pRSII426-Gal1/10 to create pRSII426-Gal1/10-*PaCrtZ*-GGGGSGGPGS-BradCrtW.

Plasmid pRSII426-Gal1/10-*PaCrtZ*-GGGGSGGPGS-ScCrtYB: The β -carotene hydroxylase gene from *Pantoea ananatis* (*PaCrtZ*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from pUC57-*PaCrtZ* using primers CrtZ-uni-SpeI-F and PaZ_LgFs_BradW_R1. *SpCrtYB* codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from the pUC57-*SpCrtYB* using primers BrevW_LgFs_SpYB_F2 and BrevW_LgFs_SpYB_R2. These two DNA fragments were assembled together by overlap-extension PCR (OE-PCR). The resulting cassette was ligated to the *Bam*HI/*Sall* sites of pRSII426-Gal1/10 to create pRSII426-Gal1/10-*PaCrtZ*-GGGGSGGPGS-ScCrtYB.

Plasmid pRSII426-loxp-Ura3-BCC39850-loxp-Gal1/10-*PaCrtZ*-GGGGSGGPGS-ScCrtYB: The Ura3 selectable marker was amplified from the genomic DNA of TBRC-BCC39850 using primers LoxP-Ura-XhoI-F and LoxP-Ura-Sall-R. Both of these primers contain the LoxP sequence. The purified fragment was ligated to the *Xho*I/*Sall* sites of pRSII426-Gal1/10-*PaCrtZ*-GGGGSGGPGS-ScCrtYB to create pRSII426-loxp-Ura3-BCC39850-loxp-Gal1/10-*PaCrtZ*-GGGGSGGPGS-ScCrtYB.

Plasmid pRSII426-Gal1/10-*PaCrtZ*-GS-BradCrtW: The β -carotene hydroxylase gene from *Pantoea ananatis* (*PaCrtZ*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from pUC57-*PaCrtZ* using primers CrtZ-uni-SpeI-F and

PaZ_GS_BradW_R1. The β -carotene ketolase gene from *Bradyrhizobium* sp. ORS278 (*BradCrtW*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from pUC57-BradCrtW using primers PaZ_GS_BradW_F2 and Crt-Univ-Sall-R. These two DNA fragments were assembled together by overlap-extension PCR (OE-PCR). The resulting cassette was ligated to the *Bam*HI/*Sall* sites of pRSII426-Gal1/10 to create pRSII426-Gal1/10-PaCrtZ-GS-BradCrtW.

Plasmid pRSII426-Gal1/10-BrevCrtW-GGGGSGGPGS-AaCrtZ: The β -carotene ketolase gene from *Brevundimonas vesicularis* (*BrevCrtW*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from pUC57-BrevCrtW using primers CrtW-uni-BamHI-F and BrevW_LgFs_PaZ_R1. The β -carotene hydroxylase gene from *Agrobacterium aurantiacum* (*AaCrtZ*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from pUC57-AaCrtZ using primers BrevW_LgFs_AaZ_F2 and BrevW_LgFs_AaZ_Sall_R2. These two DNA fragments were assembled together by overlap-extension PCR (OE-PCR). The resulting cassette was ligated to the *Bam*HI/*Sall* sites of pRSII426-Gal1/10 to create pRSII426-Gal1/10-BrevCrtW-GGGGSGGPGS-AaCrtZ.

Plasmid pRSII426-Gal1/10-BrevCrtW-GS-AaCrtZ: The β -carotene ketolase gene from *Brevundimonas vesicularis* (*BrevCrtW*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from pUC57-BrevCrtW using primers CrtW-uni-BamHI-F and BrevW_GS_PaZ_R1. The β -carotene hydroxylase gene from *Agrobacterium aurantiacum* (*AaCrtZ*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from pUC57-AaCrtZ using primers BrevW_GS_AaZ_F2 and BrevW_GS_AaZ_Sall_R2. These two DNA fragments were assembled together by overlap-extension PCR (OE-PCR). The resulting cassette was ligated to the *Bam*HI/*Sall* sites of pRSII426-Gal1/10 to create pRSII426-Gal1/10-BrevCrtW-GS-AaCrtZ.

Plasmid pRSII426-Gal1/10-AaCrtZ-GGGGSGGPGS-BrevCrtW: The β -carotene hydroxylase gene from *Agrobacterium aurantiacum* (*AaCrtZ*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from pUC57-AaCrtZ using primers CrtZ-uni-SpeI-F and AaZ_LgFs_BrevW_R1. The β -carotene ketolase gene from *Brevundimonas vesicularis* (*BrevCrtW*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from pUC57-BrevCrtW using primers AaZ_LgFs_BrevW_F2 and Crt-Univ-Sall-R. These two DNA fragments were assembled together by overlap-extension PCR (OE-PCR). The resulting cassette was ligated to the *Bam*HI/*Sall* sites of pRSII426-Gal1/10 to create pRSII426-Gal1/10-AaCrtZ-GGGGSGGPGS-BrevCrtW.

Plasmid pRSII426-Gal1/10-AaCrtZ-GS-BrevCrtW: The β -carotene hydroxylase gene from *Agrobacterium aurantiacum* (*AaCrtZ*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from pUC57-AaCrtZ using primers CrtZ-uni-SpeI-F and AaZ_GS_BrevW_R1. The β -carotene ketolase gene from *Brevundimonas vesicularis* (*BrevCrtW*) codon optimized for yeast expression was amplified from pUC57-BrevCrtW using primers AaZ_GS_BrevW_F2 and Crt-Univ-Sall-R. These

two DNA fragments were assembled together by overlap-extension PCR (OE-PCR). The resulting cassette was ligated to the *Bam*HI/*Sall* sites of pRSII426-Gal1/10 to create pRSII426-Gal1/10-AaCrtZ-GS-BrevCrtW.

Plasmid pRSII426-Gal1/10-BradCrtW-GS-PaCrtZ-GGGGSGGPGS-ZmOle: The oleosin gene from *Zea mays* (*ZmOle*) was codon-optimized for *S. cerevisiae* expression. The gene was synthesized by GenScript and was provided on a pUC57 plasmid. The *ZmOle* gene fragment was amplified from the pUC57-ZmOle using primers LF-ZmOle-F and LF-ZmOle-Sall-R. The BradCrtW-GS-PaCrtZ fragment was amplified from pRSII426-Gal1/10-BradCrtW-GS-PaCrtZ using primers CrtW-uni-BamHI-F and PaZ-ZmOle-R. These two DNA fragments were assembled together by overlap-extension PCR (OE-PCR). The resulting cassette was ligated to the *Bam*HI/*Sall* sites of pRSII426-Gal1/10 to create pRSII426-Gal1/10-BradCrtW-GS-PaCrtZ-GGGGSGGPGS-ZmOle.

Plasmid pRSII426-Gal1/10-PaCrtZ-GS-BradCrtW-GGGGSGGPGS-ZmOle: The *ZmOle* gene fragment was amplified from the pUC57-ZmOle using primers LF-ZmOle-F and LF-ZmOle-Sall-R. The PaCrtZ-GS-BradCrtW fragment was amplified from pRSII426-Gal1/10-PaCrtZ-GS-BradCrtW using primers CrtW-uni-BamHI-F and BradW-ZmOle-R. These two DNA fragments were assembled together by overlap-extension PCR (OE-PCR). The resulting cassette was ligated to the *Bam*HI/*Sall* sites of pRSII426-Gal1/10 to create pRSII426-Gal1/10-PaCrtZ-GS-BradCrtW-GGGGSGGPGS-ZmOle.

Plasmid pRSII426-Gal1/10-BrevCrtW-GS-AaCrtZ-GGGGSGGPGS-ZmOle: The *ZmOle* gene fragment was amplified from the pUC57-ZmOle using primers LF-ZmOle-F and LF-ZmOle-Sall-R. The BrevCrtW-GS-AaCrtZ fragment was amplified from pRSII426-Gal1/10-BrevCrtW-GS-AaCrtZ using primers CrtW-uni-BamHI-F and AaZ-ZmOle-R. These two DNA fragments were assembled together by overlap-extension PCR (OE-PCR). The resulting cassette was ligated to the *Bam*HI/*Sall* sites of pRSII426-Gal1/10 to create pRSII426-Gal1/10-BrevCrtW-GS-AaCrtZ-GGGGSGGPGS-ZmOle.

Plasmid pRSII426-Gal1/10-AaCrtZ-GS-BrevCrtW-GGGGSGGPGS-ZmOle: The *ZmOle* gene fragment was amplified from the pUC57-ZmOle using primers LF-ZmOle-F and LF-ZmOle-Sall-R. The AaCrtZ-GS-BrevCrtW fragment was amplified from pRSII426-Gal1/10-AaCrtZ-GS-BrevCrtW using primers CrtW-uni-BamHI-F and BrevW-ZmOle-R. These two DNA fragments were assembled together by overlap-extension PCR (OE-PCR). The resulting cassette was ligated to the *Bam*HI/*Sall* sites of pRSII426-Gal1/10 to create pRSII426-Gal1/10-AaCrtZ-GS-BrevCrtW-GGGGSGGPGS-ZmOle.

Plasmid pRSII416-ScARE2-TEF1/TDH3-ScARE1: The ScARE1, ScARE2, TEF1p and TDH3p fragments were amplified from BCC39850's genomic DNA using primers TDH3-ARE1-F and TDH3-ARE1-R, TEF1-ARE2-F and TEF1-ARE2-R, TEF1-TDH3-F1 and TEF1-TDH3-R1, TEF1-TDH3-F2 and TEF1-TDH3-R2, respectively. The four DNA fragments were

purified and assembled together with HpaI/AgeI digested pRSII416-*crt* (Watcharawipas *et al.*, 2021) via homologous recombination to form pRSII416-ScARE2-TEF1/TDH3-ScARE1.

Codon-optimized coding sequences used in this study

PspCrtW_Smut

ATGTCAGCACATGCTTTACCAAAGCTGATTTGACAGCTACTTCATTGATTGTTTCTGGTGGTATTATTGCTGCATGGT
TAGCTTTGCATGTTTCATGCTTTGTGGTTTTTGGATGCAGCTGCACATCCAATTTTGGCAATTGCTAATTTCTTGGGTTT
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