Supporting Information for

BAHD news from *Euphorbia peplus*: identification of acyltransferase enzymes involved in ingenane diterpenoid biosynthesis

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Plants and Plant Growth

Euphorbia peplus plants were germinated from seeds and grown in climate chambers following a 12 h light/12 h dark photoperiod. Plants were kept from 12-19 h at 24 °C (50-55 % relative humidity) and during night at 22 °C (60 % relative humidity). After eight weeks plants were dissected with a scalpel and tissue samples were snap frozen in liquid nitrogen and stored at - 80 °C until further usage. Identical tissue samples were used both for RNA extraction and metabolomics analysis. Tobacco plants (*Nicotiana benthamiana*) were cultivated as recently described (1). For the purpose of leaf infiltration with *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* GV3101 plants were grown for at least three weeks but no longer than four weeks.

Chemicals

Chemicals used in this study were purchased from commercial vendors in molecular biology grade (or higher). Authentic standards of ingenol (5) and ingenol-3-angelate (1a) were purchased from *TCI* and *Sigma Aldrich*. Ingenol-3-angelate-20-acetate (2) was previously isolated from *E. peplus* plants, fully characterized by NMR and reported (2).

Molecular Biology Kits & Oligonucleotide Primers

Molecular biology kits were purchased from standard commercial vendors and used according to the manufacturer's instructions. Total RNA from *E. peplus* was extracted with the RNeasy Mini Kit (*Qiagen*), followed by the removal of unwanted DNA with the TURBO DNA-*free*[™] Kit (*Thermo Fischer*). Note, that optionally the RNeasy Mini Kit (*Qiagen*) was used again as a final step to obtain highest purity RNA. Total RNA obtained in this way was directly transcribed into cDNA using Superscript[™] IV VILO[™] master mix (*Thermo Fischer*). All genes reported in this study were amplified from cDNA with Q5[®] High-Fidelity 2X Master Mix (*New England Biolabs*), purified by agarose gel electrophoresis (1% agarose, 120 V, 40 min) and recovered thereof using the Zymoclean[™] Gel DNA Recovery Kit (*Zymo*). Oligonucleotide Primers (Table S2) were obtained from *Sigma Aldrich*. The In-Fusion kit (*Clontech Takara*) was used for molecular cloning and generated plasmids were isolated from bacterial cultures with the Wizard[®] *Plus* SV Minipreps DNA Purification System kit (*Promega*). DNA sequencing was used to validate all plasmids generated in this study and performed by *Azenta Life Sciences*.

Metabolomics on E. peplus Tissue

Dissected plant tissue (50-100 mg) was transferred to a 2 mL microcentrifuge tube equipped with 2x tungsten carbide beads (3 mm diameter; *Qiagen*) and homogenized in a tissue lyser for 2 min at 21 Hz. Afterwards, 3x volumes (150-300 μ L) of 80% MeOH (supplemented with 0.1% formic acid and 10 μ g/mL olivetolic acid as internal standard) were added and tubes were vortexed vigorously for 2 min. After sonication in a water bath (RT, 15 min) tubes were centrifuged at maximum speed for 20 min. The supernatant was filtered through a syringe-filter (0.2 μ m), diluted 1:5 with 80% MeOH (supplemented with 0.1% formic acid and 10 μ g/mL olivetolic acid as internal standard) and analyzed by HPLC-MS/MS.

RNA Sequencing

Total RNA was prepared as described above and sent to *BGI Genomics* for standard mRNA library preparation and Illumina 2x150 bp sequencing (*ca.* 40 M raw paired-end reads/sample). A *de novo* transcriptome was assembled with Trinity (3) by *BGI Genomics*, using cleaned, trimmed reads as input. Transdecoder (<u>https://github.com/TransDecoder/TransDecoder</u>) was run on the de novo assembled transcriptome to identify all coding regions within the transcripts and functional annotation was performed against several functional databases (NR, NT, GO, KOG, KEGG,

SwissProt, and InterPro). Gene expression was measured in fragments per kilobase of transcript per million mapped reads and calculated with RSEM (4).

Identification of Acyltransferase Gene Candidates

The commercially obtained *de novo* transcriptome assembly was used for coexpression analysis. A single transcript for casbene synthase (*EpCAS*; GeneBank accession number: WCJ37107.1) was identified based on homology to the known sequence of *EpCAS*. Its expression profile was used to calculate pearson correlation coefficients using Microsoft Excel. Genes annotated as acyltransferaes that showed coexpression (Pearson correlation coefficient r \geq : 0.9) were considered as candidates involved in *Euphorbia diterpenoid* biosynthesis and tested *in planta* for acyltransferase activity. See Supplementary Table S1 for genes that were identified using co-expression analysis.

Phylogeny

A BAHD phylogenetic analysis was performed using the 12 identified *E. peplus* acyltransferases identified in this work, as well as 104 non-redundant BAHD sequences from: a) a previous phylogenetic analysis performed by D'Auria *et al.* (5); and b) homologous hits with e-values less than 1×10^{-4} from a pBLAST search against the Swissprot database. For gene tree construction all sequences were aligned using MUSCLE v3.8.425. The tree was then constructed using Bayesian analyses (MrBayes v3.2.7a) and tree visualization was performed using Figtree v2.4.4 software. Posterior probabilities were reported as supporting values for nodes in the trees and scale bar represents substitutions per nucleotide site. Two fungal BAHDs were used to form an outgroup to all plant BAHDs. BAHD clades were determined based on Moghe *et al.* 2023 (6).

Cloning of gene candidates

Molecular cloning was performed as recently reported in (1). Briefly, genes were amplified from cDNA using primers indicated in Supplementary Table S2 For transient expression in *Nicotiana benthamiana* (*vide infra*) genes were cloned into a modified binary 3Ω 1-plasmid (7) by In-fusion cloning (*Clontech Takara*). For recombinant protein production in *Escherichia coli*, full length gene sequences were cloned downstream of a His₆-Tag into pOPINF. pOPINF was a gift from Ray Owens (Addgene plasmid #26042).

Transformation of *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* GV3101 and transient expression of gene candidates in *Nicotiana benthamiana*

Agrobacterium tumefaciens GV3101 was transformed as recently reported (1). Transient gene expression in *N. benthamiana* was performed as described in (8), with minor modifications as reported previously (1). All gene candidates were tested at least 2x times, with biological replicates consisting of at least two leaves from two different tobacco plants.

Analysis of plant samples

Snap-frozen tobacco leaf tissue (100 mg) was homogenized on a TissueLyser II (Qiagen) at 22 Hz for 2 min. Homogenized sample was mixed with MeOH + 0.1% formid acid (350 μ L). After vigorous vortexing (1-2 min) and sonication (RT, 15 min) samples were centrifuged a max. speed (> 13000 x g; 20-30 min). All samples were filtered through 0.22 μ M PTFE syringe filters and analyzed by high-resolution LC-MS. For data analysis the software DataAnalysis Version 5.3 (Bruker) was used.

Recombinant protein production in Escherichia coli

All BAHD-acyltransferase genes were heterologously expressed in chemically competent *E. coli* BL21(DE3). Transformed cells were streaked for single colonies and inoculated into 10 mL of LB

medium supplemented with 100 µg/mL carbenicillin. This seed culture was cultivated for 16-20 h at 37 °C and 200 rpm. An aliquot of the seed culture (1 mL/8 mL) was inoculated into 2XYT Medium (100 mL/1000 mL) supplemented with 100 µg/mL carbenicillin or 50 µg/mL kanamycin. The resulting production culture was incubated at 37 °C and 200 rpm until the optical density (OD₆₀₀) reached 0.4-0.6. Acyltransferase expression was induced by adding isopropyl- β -D-1-thiogalactopyranoside (IPTG) to a final concentration of 200 µM and cells were cultivated at 18 °C and 200 rpm for up to 24 h. Afterwards the culture medium was removed by centrifugation (4000 rpm; 4 °C; 20-30 min) and the cell pellets were snap-frozen in liquid nitrogen.

Purification of recombinant proteins

Cell pellets were thawed on ice and resuspended in 10 mL (small scale purification) or 80-100 mL (large scale purification) of buffer A (50 mM Tris base, 50 mM glycine, 500 mM NaCl, 20 mM imidazole, 5% glycerol (v/v), pH 8.0; a fresh 100 ml aliquot of this was prepared on the day of protein purification and mixed with 10 mg lysozyme and 1x protease inhibitor cocktail tablet [cOmplete, EDTA-free, Roche]). Resuspended cells were lysed using an ultrasonic liquid processor (vibra cell[™], Sonics[®]; 40 % amplitude; 2 s on/3 s off; total `on´-time: 3 min). Cell debris was removed by centrifugation (4 °C, 35 min, 35000 x g). The acyltransferase proteins were then purified using NiNTA beads (Takara Hi60 Superflow Resin) according to manufacturer's instructions for small scale purification or on an AKTA pure FPLC system (GE Healthcare) connected to a HisTrap[™] column (*cytiva*, column volume = 5 mL) for large scale purification. The FPLC system was programed to: [A], equilibrate the column (flow rate = 5 ml/min) with 5x column volumes of buffer A (50 mM Tris base, 50 mM glycine, 500 mM NaCl, 20 mM imidazole, 5% glycerol [v/v], pH 8.0); [B] load the protein sample (flow rate = 2 ml/min); [C] wash the column [flow rate = 5 ml/min] with buffer A until the UV absorption at 280 nm is stable (stability time = 1 min; accepted UV fluctuation = 0.1 mAU; maximum wash volume = 20x column volumes); [D] elute the protein with 5x column volumes of buffer B (50 mM Tris base, 50 mM glycine, 500 mM NaCl, 500 mM imidazole, 5% glycerol (v/v), pH 8.0). Elution of the protein of interest was monitored using UV absorption at 280 nm. Fractions of interest were assessed by SDS gel electrophoresis, pooled and rebuffered to buffer C (20 mM HEPES, 150 mM NaCl, pH 7.5). For small scale purification NiNTA beads were repeatedly washed with buffer A and then eluted with buffer B. Ultimately, buffer B was exchanged for buffer C using Amicon 10 kDa concentrator columns (Merk Millipore).

Enzymatic in vitro assays

Recombinant BAHD acyltransferases *Ep*BAHD-06 and *Ep*BAHD-08 were tested for acylation activity on ingenol (**5**), assessing both angelyl-CoA (**9a**) and tiglyl-CoA (**9b**) as donors. Reaction mixtures (100 µL total volume, 25 mM K₂HPO₄/KH₂PO₄ pH = 7.5) comprised 200 µM CoA donor, 100 µM ingenol (**5**) and 2 µg recombinant protein. Reactions were started by the addition of the CoA donor and then incubated 1 h at 30 °C / 300 rpm, protected from light. Negative controls consisted of proteins purified from cultures expressing the EV. Reactions were quenched by addition of an isovolume of MeOH 100%. Prior to LC-MS analysis the reactions were filtered through a PTFE filter (0.22 µm).

Recombinant BAHD acyltransferases *Ep*BAHD-07 and *Ep*BAHD-11 were tested for acetylation activity on ingenol-3-angelate (**1a**). Reaction mixtures (100 μ L total volume, 25 mM K₂HPO₄/KH₂PO₄ pH = 7.5) comprised 200 μ M acetyl-CoA donor, 100 μ M ingenol-3-angelate (**1a**) and 2 μ g recombinant protein. Reactions were started by the addition of the protein and then incubated 1 h at 30°C / 300 rpm, protected from light. Negative controls consisted of proteins purified from cultures expressing the EV. Reactions were quenched by addition of an isovolume of MeOH 100%. Prior to LC-MS analysis the reactions were filtered through a PTFE filter (0.22 μ m).

LCMS data acquisition

All metabolites reported in this study were analysed using method 1 and 2, except for those metabolite studies conducted during VIGS experiments. For VIGS metabolite analysis a different

methodology was deployed and is outlined vide infra. Instrumentation for method 1 and 2 has been previously reported by us, and only gradient settings were changed (1, 9, 10). In brief, for LCMS data acquisition an impact II UHR-Q-ToF (Ultra-High Resolution Quadrupole-Time-of-Flight) mass spectrometer (Bruker Daltonik; Bremen, Germany) connected to an Ultra-high performance liquid chromatography system Ultimate 3000 RS Thermo Fisher Scientific, Germering, Germany was used. Compound separation was achieved using reverse-phase liquid chromatography on a Phenomenex Kinetex XB-C18 (100 x 2.1 mm, 2.6 µm; 100 Å) column operated at 40 °C. Mobile phases: (A) water with 0.1% formic acid; (B) acetonitrile; flow rate = 0.6 mL/min. 2 µL sample was injected in each run; authentic standards were prepared as methanol solutions in concentration ranges between 20-100 µM. Chromatography conditions method 1: 10% B for 2 min; 10% B to 90% B in 10 min; 90% B to 100% B in 0.2 min for 3.0 min and 10% B for 4.7 min. Chromatography conditions method 2: 10% B for 1 min; 10% B to 90% B in 10 min; 90% B to 100% B in 0.2 min for 3.0 min and 10% B for 2.7 min. Mass spectrometry conditions: mass spectrometry was performed in positive electrospray ionization mode (capillary voltage = 3500 V; end plate offset = 500 V; nebulizer pressure = 2.5 bar; drying gas: nitrogen at 250 °C and 11 L/min). Mass spectrometry data was recorded at 12 Hz ranging from 80 to 1000 m/z using data dependent MS2 and an active exclusion window of 0.2 min. Tandem mass spectrometry settings: fragmentation was triggered on an absolute threshold of 400 and restricted to a total cycle time range of 0.5 s; collision energy was deployed in a stepping option model (20-50 eV) At the beginning of each run, a sodium formateisopropanol solution was injected by a syringe pump at 0.18 mL h⁻¹, and the m/z values were recalibrated using the expected cluster ions. The initial 1 min of the chromatographic gradient was directed towards the waste. Chromatographic method 2 was utilized in Fig. 1C, S9 and S15. All the other figures were generated with method 1.

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9a (R¹ = CH₃, R² = H), 26% **9b** (R¹ = H, R² = CH₃), 66%

To an 8 mL vial was added the appropriate carboxylic acid (3.2 mg, 32 µmol), PyBOP (33.3 mg, 64 µmol), and THF/H₂O (1:1, 2.46 mL). The mixture was treated with K₂CO₃ (17.55 mg, 127 µmol) and stirred at room temperature for 5 min. A solution of CoA trilithium salt in THF/H₂O (1:1, 0.54 mL) was then added to the reaction mass. After stirring at room temperature for a further 2 h (complete consumption of starting material was confirmed by RP-TLC [20% MeOH in H₂O with 0.1% (v/v) HCO₂H]), the resulting mixture was then partially concentrated under reduced pressure and subjected to RP-PTLC (20% MeOH in H₂O with 0.1% [v/v] HCO₂H), to afford the corresponding CoA thioesters **9a** and **9b**, respectively, as colorless solids.

Note: Following isolation, CoA thioesters 9a and 9b were stored as solids at - 80 °C.

Tiglyl-CoA (9b)

Following the General Procedure for the synthesis of CoA thioesters, using tiglic acid, gave tiglyl CoA as a colorless solid (18 mg, 66%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, D₂O) δ 8.53 (s, 1H), 8.23 (s, 1H), 6.83 (qq, *J* = 6.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 6.16 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 4.87–4.82 (m, 3H), 4.60–4.59 (m, 1H), 4.27–4.25 (m, 2H), 4.03 (s, 1H), 3.85 (dd, *J* = 9.7, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (dd, *J* = 9.8, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 3.45 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.33 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.98 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.43 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 1.80–1.77 (m,

6H), 0.91 (s, 3H), 0.77 (s, 3H); HRMS (ESI/Q-TOF) m/z: $[M-H]^-$ Calcd. for C₂₆H₄₁N₇O₁₇P₃S 848.1498; Found 848.1502. Spectral data was consistent with that previously reported.(11)



¹H NMR (D₂O, 400 MHz) Tiglyl-CoA (9b)

^aHCO₂H;^bH₂O;^cMeOH.

Angelyl-CoA (9a)

Following the General Procedure for the synthesis of CoA thioesters, using angelic acid, gave angelyl CoA as a colorless solid (7 mg, 26%):¹H NMR (400 MHz, D₂O) δ 8.54 (s, 1H), 8.25 (s, 1H), 6.87–6.82 (m, 1H), 6.13 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 4.85–4.82 (m, 3H), 4.60 (appbrs, 1H), 4.26 (appbrs, 1H), 4.03 (s, 1H), 3.86 (dd, *J* = 9.8, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (dd, *J* = 9.7, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 3.33 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.99 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.44 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 1.81–1.78 (m, 6H), 0.91 (s, 3H), 0.78 (s, 3H); HRMS (ESI/Q-TOF) m/z: [M–H][–] Calcd. for C₂₆H₄₁N₇O₁₇P₃S 848.1498; Found 848.1499.

¹H NMR (D₂O, 400 MHz) AngelyI-CoA (9a)



^aHCO₂H;^bH₂O;^cMeOH.

Virus-induced gene silencing (VIGS) of: *EpCH42, EpBAHD-06, EpBAHD-07, EpBAHD-08 and EpBAHD-11.*

Experimental design followed previously published (2) VIGS experiments established for Euphorbia peplus using Chlorota 42 marker gene (EpCH42). A 165bp, 173bp, 174bp and 124bp fragments from the non-conserved regions (C-terminus) of the EpBAHD-06, EpBAHD-07, EpBAHD-08 and EpBAHD-11, respectively, were PCR-amplified from E. peplus stem cDNA using Xhol and Smal In-Fusion-tailed PCR primers (Table S2). The amplified fragments were inserted into the pTRV2-EpCH42-Vigs construct (2) digested with Xhol and Smal via In-Fusion cloning tools (TaKaRa bio Inc. Kusatsu, Japan), according to the manufacturer's protocol to form the pTRV2-EpBAHD-06:EpCH42-Vigs, pTRV2-EpBAHD-07:EpCH42-Vigs, pTRV2-EpBAHD-08:EpCH42-Vigs and pTRV2-EpBAHD-07:EpBAHDpTRV2-EpBAHD-11:EpCH42-Vigs constructs. Construct 11:EpCH42-Vigs for simultaneous silencing of EpBAHD-08 and EpBAHD-11 was created by amplifying synthetic fragment containing fusion of 174 and 124bp fragments described above with Xhol and Smal In-Fusion-tailed PCR primers (Table S2) and inserting it into the pTRV2-EpCH42-Vigs construct (2) as described above.

After confirming the presence of the correct inserts by Sanger sequencing, the pTRV2 vectors were transformed into *A. tumefaciens* GV3101 using the freeze-thaw method (21). The *A. tumefaciens* GV3101 strains containing pTRV1, pTRV2-*EpCH42*-Vigs and one of the five target-gene constructs (*EpBAHD-06, EpBAHD-07, EpBAHD-08, EpBAHD-11* and *EpBAHD-11:EpBAHD-07*) were grown separately overnight at 28 °C, 220 rpm, in 10 mL LB medium containing kanamycin and gentamycin (50 mg/L) antibiotics. A 1 ml aliquot of overnight-grown cultures was inoculated in 50 mL of LB medium containing 10 mM MES and 20 µM acetosyringone with kanamycin and gentamycin (50 mg/L) antibiotics and grown overnight at 28 °C, 220 rpm. *A. tumefaciens* cells were harvested and re-suspended in the infiltration buffer (10 mM MgCl₂, 10 mM MES, pH 5.6, 200 µM

acetosyringone) to a final OD₆₀₀ of 2.5 (for both pTRV1 and pTRV2 and its derivatives) and shaken for 2 h at 28 °C, 100 rpm. Equal volumes of the *A. tumefaciens* cultures carrying one of the pTRV2-derived constructs were mixed with pTRV1-carrying cultures. Mixed *A. tumefaciens* cultures were infiltrated into both cotyledons of *E. peplus* seedlings 9-days after sowing, using a 1 mL syringe. Infiltrated plants were grown under 16 h / 8 h light and 25 °C / 22 °C day/night regime. Around 150-160 plants were infiltrated for pTRV2-*EpCH42*-Vigs control group and for each of pTRV2-*EpCH42*-Vigs derived target gene constructs.

Chlorotic parts of leaf and stem samples were collected separately from plants 6 weeks postinfiltration. Fresh plant material was pooled from 6-8 independent plants to form one biological replicate, flash frozen in liquid N₂ and stored in - 80 °C. Five or six biological replicates were used for each of the two groups: pTRV2-*EpCH42*-Vigs controls and one of the three pTRV2-*EpCH42*-Vigs derived target gene constructs. Experiment was done in three batches, first one contained pTRV2-*EpBAHD*-06:*EpCH42*-Vigs, pTRV2-*EpBAHD*-08:*EpCH42*-Vigs and pTRV2-*EpCH42*-Vigs control, second one contained: pTRV2-*EpBAHD*-07:*EpCH42*-Vigs, pTRV2-*EpBAHD*-11:*EpCH42*-Vigs and pTRV2-*EpCH42*-Vigs control and third one contained pTRV2-*EpBAHD*-07:*EpBA*

Metabolite and mRNA transcript analysis of VIGS treated *E. peplus* plants.

Plant material was ground in liquid nitrogen using a mortar and pestle. 300-330 mg of the ground fresh tissue was extracted using ethyl acetate with PMA internal standard and run on LC-MS as described before (Czechowski et al. 2022).

50-100 mg of the same ground fresh tissue was used to extract total RNA from stem tissue using the RNAeasy kit (Qiagen, Hilden, Germany) with "on column" DNAse digestion according to manufacturer's instructions. RNA was precipitated overnight using 0.1 volume of 3 M sodium acetate and 2.5 volumes of 100% ethanol, washed twice the following day with 70% ethanol, air dried and re-suspended in water. Total RNA was extracted from leaf tissue using the CTAB-lithium chloride method (20) RNA samples were DNase treated and further purified using the on-column digestion protocol for the Qiagen RNeasy miniprep kit. cDNA was synthesized from 5 µg of total RNA using random hexamers using Superscript II reverse transcriptase (Life Technologies). gPCR primers (Table S2) were designed using Geneious Prime[®] 2022.2.1 software. Real-time PCR was performed on CFX384 Real-Rime System (Bio-Rad Laboratories) using iTAQ™ SYBR[®] Green Supermix (Bio-Rad Laboratories). Each 10 µL reaction contained 2 µL of a 3-fold dilution of the cDNA synthesis reaction, 5 µL of 2X Supermix, and primers at a final concentration of 250 nM. The cycling conditions included an initial activation step for 5 s at 95 °C followed by 40 cycles of denaturation at 95 °C for 10 s and annealing/extension at 60 °C for 30 s. Fluorescence data were acquired during the annealing/extension phase. A melt curve was obtained at the end of the amplification to allow confirmation of product specificity. CT values were obtained using CFX Manager Software (Bio-Rad laboratories) and amplification efficiencies (E) obtained using LinReg PCR (21), Transcript abundance for the gene of interest (GOI) relative to housekeeping gene (HKG) was determined using the formula: GOI expression level = $2^{\Delta C}$ / $2^{\Delta C}$. Housekeeping genes were selected based on previously used for gene guantification by gRT-PCR in Euphorbia peplus (Czechowski et al. 2022): a homologue of Elongation Factor 1a (EpEF1a; gene_bank accession OL744076) and a homologue of SUMO-conjugating enzyme SCE1 (EpSumo, gene bank accession OL744078).



Fig. S1. Chemical synthesis of ingenol-3-angelate (**1a**) from ingenol (**5**) as reported by Liang *et al.* in 2012 (12). While **5** is more abundantly produced *in planta* than **1a** it has to be extracted from seeds of *Euphorbia lathyris* (250 mg per kg of dried seeds) (13).



Fig. S2. Structures of the major *Euphorbia* diterpene scaffolds jatrophane, lathyrane, tigliane, daphnane and ingenane.



Fig. S3. Biosynthesis of jolkinol C (7) and jolkinol E (S3) in *E. peplus*. Genes first reported by Luo *et al.* 2016 and Czechowski *et al.* 2022 (2, 14).



Jatrophane 1 (11)



Jatrophane 2 (12) R_1 = Ac; R_2 = Ac; R_3 = Ac Jatrophane 3 (13) R_1 = iBu; R_2 = H; R_3 = Nic Jatrophane 4 (14) R_1 = Ac; R_2 = H; R_3 = Nic Jatrophane 5 (15) R_1 = Ac; R_2 = Ac; R_3 = Nic Jatrophane 6 (16) R_1 = Ac; R_2 = H; R_3 = Ac



Jatrophane 7 (17)



Fig. S4. Examples of (multi)acylated diterpenoids from Euphorbia peplus (15-18).



Fig. S5. Observed levels of ingenol-3-angelate (**1a**) in different tissues of *E. peplus*. Methanolic extracts were analyzed using HPLC-MS method 1. Extracted ion chromatograms (EIC; $[M+H]^+ = 431.2$) were compared to an authentic standard of **1a** (bottom trace, red). The identification of **1a** was confirmed through matching retention times and MS/MS data. For flower pods, mature leaves, and young leaves, the extracted ion chromatograms of ingenol-3-angelate (**1a**) were magnified 25x (see box on the right) to enhance visibility.



Fig. S6. Observed levels of ingenol-3-angelate-20-acetate (**2**) in different tissues of *E. peplus*. Methanolic extracts were analyzed using HPLC-MS method 1. Extracted ion chromatograms (EIC; $[M+H]^+ = 473.2$) were compared to an authentic standard of **2** (bottom trace, green). The identification of **2** was confirmed through matching retention times and MS/MS data. For root tissue the extracted ion chromatograms of ingenol-3-angelate-20-acetate (**2**) were magnified 25x (see box on the right) to enhance visibility.



Fig. S7. Fragmentation pattern analysis (MSMS) of ingenol-3-angelate (**1a**; peak b) and unknown product **1b** (peak a) using an authentic standard of **1a** for comparison. MSMS patterns are identical, leading to the tentative identification of **1b** as ingenol-3-tigliate.



Fig. S8. Angelyl-CoA-ligase (*Ep*CCl2) is not required for product formation in *N. benthamiana*. Infiltration of *Ep*BAHD-08 together with *Ep*CCL2 did not lead to significantly improved levels of ingenol-3-angelate (**1a**).



Fig. S9. Angelic acid is required for product formation in *N. benthamiana*. Formation of ingenol-3angelate (**1a**) was only observed when *N.* benthamiana leaves were co-infiltrated with ingenol, angelic acid as well as *EpCCL2* and *EpBAHD-08* (top trace). In the absence of angelic acid (expression of *EpCCL2* and *EpBAHD-08* in the presence of ingenol) no formation of ingenol-3angelate (**1a**) was observed. Infiltration of p19 on its own was used as negative control.



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Fig. S10. Phylogenetic analysis of acyltransferases identified in this study. Sequence alignment was done using Muscle v3.8.425 (19). The displayed gene tree was then constructed with Bayesian analyses using MrBayes v3.2.7a (20). Posterior probabilities were reported as supporting values for nodes in the trees and scale bar represents substitutions per nucleotide site.



Fig. S11. Transcript abundances of selected genes in VIGS experiments. Expression levels of the VIGS-targeted genes and their homologues, relative to two selected housekeeping genes: *EpEF1a* and *EpSUMO* were measured for stem (A, C, E) and leaf (B, D, F) tissues for VIGS marker-only (*EpCH42*, black and dark-green bars) and marker plus BAHD genes (light-grey and light green bars). Error bars – SEM (n = 6 for A,B, E, and F, n = 5 for C and D). Statistically significant (T-test)

changes between relevant control (*EpCH42*) and BAHD silenced genes are indicated by asterisks (**-p-value <0.01, *-p-value <0.05).



Fig. S12. VIGS analysis of *EpBAHD-07* and *EpBAHD-11* in *Euphorbia peplus.* Metabolite levels in VIGS material were measured for stem and leaves in VIGS marker-only (EpCH42_B – black bars and EpCH42_C – dark green bars), marker plus individually silenced BAHD genes: EpCH42 :EpBAHD-07 (dark grey bars), EpCH42:EpBAHD-11 (light grey bars) and marker plus simultaneously silenced BAHD genes EpCH42:EpBAHD-07:EpBAHD-11 (light green bars). Triterpenes represent the sum of four major triterpenes annotated in Datasets S1 and S2. Error bars – SEM (n = 5 for black and grey bars, n = 6 for green bars). Statistically significant (T-test) changes between control (EpCH42_A) and silenced BAHD genes indicated by asterisks separately for each tissue (*- p-value < 0.05; ** - p-value < 0.01).

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EpBAHD-07 EpBAHD-12	ATGAA 130	GAGGAA	AGTAA/ 140	ATGG	AGGTTG AGGTTG 150	AAATTA AAATTA 16		AGGAAG AGGAAC 170	<u>ТСАТСА</u> ТСАТСА	AACCTT AACCTT 180	GTTCAT GTTCAT 19	CAACCO CAACAO 0	CATCC CATCTC 200	CATCTT/ CATCTT/	AAGACC AAGTCC 210	TACGAA TACAAA 2	G T T T C T G C T A C T 120	C 111111 A 111111 230	<u>GATCAA</u> GATCAA	TTTAT T A TTTAT 240	
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EpBAHD-07 EpBAHD-12	GCTTA GCTTA	CTTCAT CTTCAT 640		TTGGT TTGGT			CTTCAT TTTCAT 6	ICTAATG ICTAATG 70	<u>ААААСА</u> АААААСА 680	TTCCAT TTCCAT	C TCCAA A TCCAA 690	ATCTTO ATCTTO 7		GGTCT GGTCT 710		CCATG CCATG 720	TACGAG TATGAA	CACGG CACGG 730	GACTTC GACTTC 740	CCAAAAG	AGGCAGTC AGGCAGTC ⁷⁵⁰
EpBAHD-07 EpBAHD-12	ATCAT ATCGC 760	<u> </u>	ATGGG ATCGGC 770	T <u>CCAT</u> CCCAT	G С СС ППАТСС 780	TAAAAC TGAAAC 75		A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A	TGAACA TAAACA	GGTTGG GGCTGG 810	T G	ATGCA1 ATGCA1 0	CAGCT CAGCT 830	ATTAAA GTTCGT)	AACTT AACTT 840	AAGTCT AAGTCT	AAAGCT AAAGCT	GCATCA GCATCA 860	AGTAG	GGGGTGG GGGGTGG 870	AACACCCT AACACCCT 880
EpBAHD-07 EpBAHD-12	ACGCG ACGCG	GGTTGA GGTTGA 890	<u>GGTTG</u> GGTTG		<u>СААТСА</u> СААТСА 91	TAACTA TAAGTA 0	AAAGTO AAAGTO 920	STTAAGG STCAAGG		C <mark>GAATG</mark> T <mark>GAATG</mark> 940		CCGACA CTGACA 950	VIGS ATIGAC TITAAG	AAACAT AAACGT 960	ATTGCA ATTGCA	ATCTCT ATCTCT 70	CATGGT CAGGT 980	GTTAA1 GTTAA1	ATGAGG ATGAGG 990	CGAAAAG CGAAAAG	CTATGCCA CTATGCCA
EpBAHD-07 EpBAHD-12		TTCAGA TTCAGA		ATTGG ATTGG	GGAACT GGAACT	VIC III S I A I A I A I 1,040	GGCCT GGCCT/	GTCTAG	CCATA CCATA 1.06	ACAC AA ACAC GG	AGGAGG AGGAGG 1.070	AAACCO	AATTC/ AATTC/ 1,080	AGTAGT AGTAGT	TAGTA TAGTC	C AC GG T T AC AAT 1,100	TTAAGG TTAAGG	A A T G C C G A T G C C 1,110	GATTAGG GATTAGG	AAAGTAG AAAGTAG	ACGGTGAG ACAGTGAG 1.130
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Fig. S13. Nucleotide (A) and protein (B) sequence alignment of *EpBAHD-07* and *EpBAHD-12*. Fragment of the *EpBAHD-07* sequence targeted by VIGS is highlighted in green. The 56bp stretch of identical sequence within that VIGS-targeted region is highlighted by the red box (panel A).



Fig. S14. Transient expression of *Ep*BAHD-12 in *N. benthamiana* in the presence of ingenol-3-angelate (**1a**) leads to formation of ingenol-3-angelate-20-acetate (**2**).

Table S1. Co-expression analysis of annotated BAHD-acyltransferases with EpCAS. The Pearsoncorrelation coefficients (r) are displayed.

Transcript ID	Proposed Function	r	
CL2478.Contig1_All	EpBAHD-01	0.91	
CL1599.Contig12_All	EpBAHD-02	0.84	
CL9095.Contig3_All	EpBAHD-03	0.81	
Unigene12606_All	EpBAHD-04	0.79	
CL4712.Contig8_All	EpBAHD-05	0.98	
CL1163.Contig1_All	EpBAHD-06	0.97	
CL3102.Contig3_All	EpBAHD-07	0.97	
CL1163.Contig8_All	EpBAHD-08	0.96	
Unigene4204_All	EpBAHD-09	0.96	
Unigene21553_All	EpBAHD-10	0.96	
CL4712.Contig6_All	EpBAHD-11	0.94	

Target Seg.	GenBank	Primers (5´3´)	Purpose
ID	Accession		
Primers used fo	or cloning of acv	ltransferase gene candidates into 3∆1 for t	ransient expression in N_benthamiana
			Forward primer for cloping into 3 1 vector
EpBAHD-01F	PQ801599	GCCTAAGGTAAATTCCAAAG	
		GACAACCACAACAAGCACCGTTAA	Reverse primer for cloping into 3,1 vector
EpBAHD-01R	PQ801599	ACATAAGTGTCCAAGTC	
		TTTATGAATTTTGCAGCTCGATGGC	Forward primer for cloping into 3 1 vector
EpBAHD-02F	PQ801600	CCCAAAATTTCATCCTG	
		GACAACCACAACAAGCACCGTTAA	Reverse primer for cloning into 3^1 vector
EpBAHD-02R	PQ801600	ACGCAAGTATCCAAG	,
		TTTATGAATTTTGCAGCTCGATGAC	Forward primer for cloning into 3∧1 vector
EpBAHD-03F	PQ801601	CCCAAAAATGCTGCC	
		GACAACCACAACAAGCACCGTTAA	Reverse primer for cloning into 3∧1 vector
EpBAHD-03R	PQ801601	ТСААТСАААСААТСТТСААG	
		TTTATGAATTTTGCAGCTCGATGAA	Forward primer for cloning into 3∧1 vector
EpBAHD-04F	PQ801602	GCCTGAGGTAGTTTCAAG	
	D0004000	GACAACCACAACAAGCACCGTTAA	Reverse primer for cloning into 3∧1 vector
EPBAHD-04R	PQ801602	ATGCTTGGATTGACCG	
		TTTATGAATTTTGCAGCTCGATGAT	Forward primer for cloning into 3∧1 vector
EpBAHD-05F	PQ801603	GGGATCAAATTGGAAAATCAAAAT	
		G	
EnBAHD-05R	PO801603	GACAACCACAACAAGCACCGTTAT	Reverse primer for cloning into 3^1 vector
	1 000 1000	AATGGAGATGGATTAAATGAAG	
EpBAHD-06F	PQ801604	TTTATGAATTTTGCAGCTCGATGCA	Forward primer for cloning into 3∧1 vector
·		GATAAAAGTAGAGTTGATATC	
EpBAHD-06R	PQ801604	GACAACCACAACAAGCACCGTCAT	Reverse primer for cloning into 3∧1 vector
		AAGCGTGAATACAAATTTG	
EpBAHD-07F	PQ801605	TITATGAATTITGCAGCTCGATGGA	Forward primer for cloning into 3∧1 vector
		GGTTGAAATTATTTCCAAGG	
EpBAHD-07R	PQ801605	GACAACCACAACAAGCACCGCTAA	Reverse primer for cloning into 3^1 vector
			Forward anima of the allocide sints 0. A substan
EpBAHD-08F	PQ801606	GATTAAAGTAGAGTCATTC	Forward primer for cloning into 3A1 vector
			Poverso primer for eleging into 2, 1 vector
EpBAHD-08R	PQ801606	AATCGTGAATTCAAGTTG	
		TTTATGAATTTTGCAGCTCGATGAT	Forward primer for cloping into 3 1 vector
EpBAHD-09F	PQ801607	TCAAGAAACAACATTTTCTTGTG	
		GACAACCACAACAAGCACCGTCAA	Reverse primer for cloning into 3^1 vector
EpBAHD-09R	PQ801607	CAAGAACTTAAGGGAG	
		TTTATGAATTTTGCAGCTCGATGGA	Forward primer for cloning into 3∧1 vector
EpBAHD-10F	PQ801608	GATCCCAGTAGAGTTC	,
		GACAACCACAACAAGCACCGTCAA	Reverse primer for cloning into 3∧1 vector
EpBAHD-10R	PQ801608	GTTTGGATTGTATTTGG	
	B0004000	TTTATGAATTTTGCAGCTCGATGGG	Forward primer for cloning into 3∧1 vector
Ервани-11F	PQ801609	ATCAAACAGGAAAATTAAAATGG	
	D0904600	GACAACCACAACAAGCACCGTTAA	Reverse primer for cloning into 3^1 vector
EPBARD-TTR	PQ801609	ATACTTAAAGGAGATGG	
	PO901610	TTTATGAATTTTGCAGCTCGATGGA	Forward primer for cloning into 3∧1 vector
CPDARD-12F	FQ001010	GGTTGAAATTATTTCCAAGG	

Table S2. Oligonucleotide primers used in this study.

EpBAHD-12R	50004040	GACAACCACAACAAGCACCGCTAG	Reverse primer for cloning into 3^1 vector
	PQ801610	GAGATGTTTAAGGGGG	
Primers used for	r cloning of acy	I Itransferase gene candidates into popinF fo	or recombinant protein production
		AAGTTCTGTTTCAGGGCCCGATGC	Forward primer for cloning into pOPINF vector
EpBAHD-06F		AGATAAAAGTAGAGTTGATATCC	
EpBAHD-06R		ATGGTCTAGAAAGCTTTATCATAAG	Reverse primer for cloning into pOPINF vector
		CGTGAATACAAATTTGC	
		AAGTTCTGTTTCAGGGCCCGATGG	Forward primer for cloning into pOPINF vector
EpBAHD-08F		GGATTAAAGTAGAGTTCATTTC	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
		ATGGTCTAGAAAGCTTTATCATAAT	Reverse primer for cloning into pOPINE vector
EpBAHD-08R		CGTGAATTCAAGTTGGG	······································
		AAGTTCTGTTTCAGGGCCCGATGG	Forward primer for cloning into pOPINF vector
EpBAHD-07F		AGGTTGAAATTATTTCCAAGG	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
		ATGGTCTAGAAAGCTTTACTAAGG	Reverse primer for cloning into pOPINE vector
EpBAHD-07R		GATGTTTAAAGGGGATAG	
		AAGTTCTGTTTCAGGGCCCGATGG	Forward primer for cloning into pOPINE vector
EpBAHD-11F		GATCAAACAGGAAAATTAAAATG	
			Reverse primer for cloping into pOPINE vector
EpBAHD-11R			
Primers used for	r cloning and cr	reating VIGS constructs and for aPCR	
	cioning and ci		Econyard primar with Yhal tail for cloping into pTPV/2 voctor
06 Vigs E			
			Deverse primer with Small tail for eleging into pTDV/2 vestor
			Reverse primer with Smar tail for cioning into prikvz vector
			Forward primer with xhol tall for cloning into p I RV2 vector
U7_VIgs_F		ATCATAACTAAAAGTGTTAAGGCT	
EPBAHD-		TTAATGTCTTCGGGACATGCCCG	Reverse primer with Small tail for cloning into p I RV2 vector
U7_Vigs_R			
			Forward primer with Xhol tail for cloning into p I RV2 vector
U8_VIgs_F			
EPBAHD-			Reverse primer with Small tail for cloning into pTRV2 vector
U8_Vigs_R			
EpBAHD-		CGGTACCGAGCTCACGCGTCCTG	Forward primer with Xhol tail for cloning into pTRV2 vector
11_Vigs_F			
EpBAHD-		TTTAATGTCTTCGGGACATGCCCT	Reverse primer with Smal tail for cloning into pTRV2 vector
11_Vigs_R		CIGIGGAGAACGCGIG	
qRT-		AGCTTGACAGAGGACGAC	Primers for qPCR amplification of the genes targeted by
EpBAHD-			VIGS
06_F			
qRT-		TCATAAGCGTGAATACAAATTTGC	
EpBAHD-			
06_R			
qRT-		GACAAGTAGTTCAGAAGAAAAGAT	
EpBAHD-		AC	
U/_F			
qRT-		CAGCAACAATATCTTGAGGAAG	
EpBAHD-			
07_R			
qRT-		GTTAGCTTGACAGAGAAAGAAATG	
EpBAHD-			
08_F			

qRT-		TCGTGAATTCAAGTTGGGATTC	
EpBAHD-			
08_R			
qRT-		GAAGATGGTGAAGAGATGCC	
EpBAHD-			
11_F			
qRT-		CTTAAAGGAGATGGATTAATTGAA	
EpBAHD-		GC	
11_R			
qRT-	OL744076	CTGGCATAATTAAGATGATTCCG	Primers for qPCR amplification of housekeeping genes
EpEF1a_F			
qRT-	OL744076	CTTCTTCTTGGCAGCAGATT	
EpEF1a_R			
qRT-	OL744078	CCAGGACCTGCTCGATC	
EpSUMO_F			
qRT-	OL744078	GATATAATCGTTTTCACATCAGACC	
EpSUMO_R			
qRT-		TGGATAAGTCTATGCATCATGACTT	Primers for qPCR amplification of the genes closely related
EpBAHD-		С	to BAHD's sequences targeted by VIGS.
12_F			
qRT-		GGATATATTAAATGAAGCATATTGA	
EpBAHD-		AGAAG	
12_R			

Table S3. Amino acid sequences of acyltransferase genes used in this study.

Acyltransfera	Amino acid sequence
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EpBAHD-01	MQPKVNSKEFVKPSPSNHPKIHYLSFFDQMVNLNSYICLLFFYTSKNRQTSAHNNTSSVLKTSLSAALSRFYPLAGRLK
	GGLTMDCNDEGALFLESKLECSLSELLNNPDLEMLKPLFPDNLPFNFSSNIPLAVQVTYFQCGGMSIGVCVSHKILDM
	RGMSIFIKEWSSLARHPEKEIHLEFNIGSFYPPLDLPILQEKVEPPSEMEDCVHRRVVFDGSKIAKLKEMVVDQVPNPT
	RVEVVISLLYRSALYANAKATSSCSIVPSFMTHAMSLHTKVSPPLSERSRGNIWGMFIVVPGQDERDIELRYLVKEFRN
	AKTEMSNSCANNNKEDLCQMALKNMKYLSTYANEYQVYTCSSWCRFPFYESDFGWGKPLWVTTTCMKLKNFIFLED
	TREGDGIEALISLEGKAMAIFEKDQELLSFCRFNPSVLDLDTYV
EpBAHD-02	MAPKFHPEIVSTEIVKPSPNNHPSFHTLSLFDQLNHPVYVPFLFFYTSNKNGDEFHKSNVLKTSLSDALLHYYPLAGRIK
	DDVTVDCNDEGTLFLEARIACGLSELLKNHDPDTLKVLLPDGVSGKDSTSKSPVVVQVTYFQCGGMSIGLCLCHKILD
	MASMTYFIYDWASLARKSGDEIRPEFNAGSLYPPLDLPILKQKQAVFEDMKDCVDRRFVFYGPKIDKLKEMVADQVEK
	PTRVEVVASLLYKSAISANAKARKSGSIEPSVLYLPMNLRNKVAQLSERHRGNILGTFKVPVRDEREIELGLLVKQFRK
	VKAEYADLCASKTNSEDLCPFITELLIDGSLENLNVDHDVYSLTSFCRYPFYGADFGWGKPLWVTFPNIKMKNVMFCL
	DTKEGDGIDVCIVLEEKAMSIFENDQELLSFCSINPSVLDTCV
EpBAHD-03	MTPKMLPEIVSREIIKPPSTTQNNHPTTHNLSFFDQTSPCVYVPLILFYSSNNSETNHHKSGVLKASLSATLSEFYPLSG
	RTKDDVTVDCNDEGVVFLEANVGCNLSEMLKCPDDETLKLLLPDGLYYKDFRLSSPVVVQITYFESGGMSIGLCLSHK
	VQDMESICAFLKKWASIARKSDQDIAPEFNIAARYPPLDLPFLKEQQPAQEMKNCASRRVVFRSESIAKLKEIAGDHVQ
	NPTRVEVVASLLYKSATCAVSKTSSSGNTLPRTSMHHVMNLRTKVSPPLSDRKAGNLTGVFPVSAPMGTEFGELVKE
	MRQEKMWFSDSCTKISNKEELYTFVLESMKGLGTYFSDENEEIYFCSSWCRYPFYEIDFGWGKPFWTTTVFWEMKN
	LILMIDDQGGDGIEAFVTLDKKAMDLFETDAEILEFSRINPCVDLEDCLID
EpBAHD-04	MKPEVVSREIVKPSSSIPKNHPKFHNLSFFDQIVPSYYVPLLYFYTCKNEEPDHNLRSRVLKTSLSAALSHYYPLAGRIN
	YDMVSVDCNDEGALFLEATIGCGLSEILISPDDVILKLLFPDGLCYKDSTQTGPVAVQVTYFQCGGMSVGICLCHKMME
	MASMSSFISDWASLARNSDKEIDPEFNIGSLYPPLDLPILKQKQASPPVTKDCVSRRVVFDGLKIAKLKELVAERVPNPT
	RVEVVASLLYKSAICGNAKASSTGSLIPSFINCAMNLRSRVSPPISEREKGNISGIFRVSVRDEREVELGCLVTEFRKAK
	TRLSNSCANITSTEDLSQLILKTMKPLSEYFNAEHEVYGCTSWCRYPFYGTDFGWGKPLWVTTVLYKLKNGMTFIDTK
	DGGGIEAFICLEDKAVTIFENDQDLLLFCSVNPSI
EpBAHD-05	
	PLAGKIKDYLSVDCNDEGAYYIDAKANIPLSEFLTRPDHTALRKEVPDTSPFNANPIGAYVVMFQETTFSCGGLALGIAA
	SHMVI DGISI ASEIKAWASSTSASEKEIPYPNI DSPSVEPHIEDEPGDAI EPAI WIPEVKTGKI AIRRI MEDATSIDKI KA
	KASPSV/NPTRVEV/VSAIITKTIKAAI NAKSIAEVHGVSMRRKATTPEPDCSI GNEIWNVHAYSGENESOISSI AYNI RN
EnBAHD-06	MOKVELISKELIKPSSPTPI HI HKLEESEIDONOVPI SEPEVI EVEKSNIPNOORSNILKKSI SOALTIEVPI AGRINNYS
Ервано-от	
<i>Ер</i> ВАНD-08	
	FMNGWAAIARGD I IDVPSFNAASIFPPKSSSGIDFSQMVFKDNVVTKSFVFEASAISAIRDKYSANGEKLSRAQTLYVFI
	LSRVKAS I SRAKGGNNNRYIVVNSVNVRQMLDLPVSKQSFGNFIWAGVTVIDNMDLIEKENGCHELGKRIKDSIKSVN
	AELLRKLKNGEFSSNIEALVESIEGEIIRFSLTSICNFPVYEVDFGWGKPEWVATSALFFDNFVVLLDTKDGQGIEAWVS
	LTEKEMAMFENDKMLISHTSSTPNRNPNLNSRL

EpBAHD-09	MIQETTFSCGGLALGFSVSHMVLDGTSFASFIKAWASSASGNKIPYPNLDSSSVFPQFEAFPNDAICSSLWTPFARKG
	${\tt KLAVRRLMFDQSSIDRLKVKASTSVKSPTRVEVVTSIITKRVKAALNVKSVAISHSVNIRRKATTPDYSLGNIVLMVHAFF}$
	TDDKESEIRILRNAIRKVDNDFVKIKAIEGGFSELYQEHKEMSSRLSINEMELISFTSWCNFGLYNDSDFGWGKPVWIS
	HNSLFEGEVMPFYNMCILNDTRSGNGVEAWLYSSQDVADFIGKDDELLQYASINPSPLSSC
EpBAHD-10	${\sf MEIPVEFITKELIKPSSPTPPHLRELKFSFIDQNQYPVSIPFVFFYEKSTIPNHERYNLLKQSLSQALTIFYPLAGRINNYD}$
	$\label{eq:condition} YADCNDEGALIVQTKAHCQLSDILENRNQYHYCYKKFIPLQPHKGVHQYGSLFQITYFNCGGLAISFALPHMLGDALSQ$
	${\sf FIFLNGWAAVARGNQVDIPPFVSDSIFPPRNIPGFDLSQWVFKENIVTKSFVFDAFAISALRDKYSTGGETISRVQALCV}$
	${\sf FLFTRIIASLSRQAKDNRFMAIHSVNVRRKLDPPVPDQSFGNLVWAATSVIDNISEEDEIARRIKDSIKGVNAEPLNKLQK}$
	GELSFSKETFMESLKGEIVRYSFSSLSNFPVYDVDFGWGKPEWVTTSGVIIDNLVMCIDTKEGRGIEAWVNLTEEDMA
	KFEKDKVLLSHLSSAPNTIQT
EpBAHD-11	${\tt MGSNRK} ikmeleiiske cikpss stpshlqtyk islld qlml pryysial fypn snndlt ltqr srll khslsk tlsh fypn snndlt regeneration for the standard structure of the standard structure$
	${\sf LAGKIKDYLSIDCNDEGAYYIEAKVNIPLSEFLTRPDHTSLKKFVPESSLFNANPIGAYIVMIQETTFSCGGLALGIVVSHM}$
	$\label{eq:vldafsfasf} VLDAFSFASFVKAWASLASDKQIPYPNLDSPSVFPQLEGFSANTLFPALWGPFAKKGKLAMRRLVFDASGIDKLKAKA$
	${\tt SPSVENPSRVEVVSAIITKTIKAALNTKSIAFTQAVNMRRKAMTPFPDCSLGNFIWSVHAFSTENEDQISSLVHNLRNAV}$
	${\sf RKVDNKFVNNIATEGGISKLYEEMEEIKKRLSSDGMELVNFSSWCNFGVYDNTDFGFGKPLWMIYCIVEDGEEMPFYS}$
	MCNMNDTRSGNGVEAWLYLSQDVAAFVENDVELLQYASINPSPLSI
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	${\tt SIDCNDEGVYYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDLSLLPKLVPDVSFFNQNPIGAPLIFIQETTFSCGGLVIGLSVSHMALDGPSLA}{\tt SIDCNDEGVYYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDLSLLPKLVPDVSFFNQNPIGAPLIFIQETTFSCGGLVIGLSVSHMALDGPSLA}{\tt SIDCNDEGVYYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDLSLLPKLVPDVSFFNQNPIGAPLIFIQETTFSCGGLVIGLSVSHMALDGPSLA}{\tt SIDCNDEGVYYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDLSLLPKLVPDVSFFNQNPIGAPLIFIQETTFSCGGLVIGLSVSHMALDGPSLA}{\tt SIDCNDEGVYYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDLSLLPKLVPDVSFFNQNPIGAPLIFIQETTFSCGGLVIGLSVSHMALDGPSLA}{\tt SIDCNDEGVYYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDLSLLPKLVPDVSFFNQNPIGAPLIFIQETTFSCGGLVIGLSVSHMALDGPSLA}{\tt SIDCNDEGVYYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDLSLLPKLVPDVSFFNQNPIGAPLIFIQETTFSCGGLVIGLSVSHMALDGPSLA}{\tt SIDCNDEGVYYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDLSLLPKLVPDVSFFNQNPIGAPLIFIQETTFSCGGLVIGLSVSHMALDGPSLA}{\tt SIDCNDEGVYYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDSVSHMALDGPSLA}{\tt SIDCNDEGVYYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDSVSHMALDGPSLA}{\tt SIDCNDEGVYYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDSVSHMALDGPSLA}{\tt SIDCNDEGVYYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDSVSHMALDGPSLA}{\tt SIDCNDEGVYYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDSVSHMALDGPSLA}{\tt SIDCNDEGVYYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDSVSHMALDGPSLA}{\tt SIDCNDEGVYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDSVSHMALDGPSLA}{\tt SIDCNDEGVYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDSVSHMALDGPSLA}{\tt SIDCNDEGVYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDSVSHMALDGPSLA}{\tt SIDCNDEGVYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDSVSHMALDGPSLA}{\tt SIDCNDEGVYYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDSVSHMALDGPSLA {\tt SIDCNDEGVYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDSVSHMALDGPSLA {\tt SIDCNDEGVYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLDSVSHMALDGVYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLOSVSHMALDGVYTANISMSEYLIQLOSVSHAKANISMSEYLIQLOSVSHMALANISMSEYLIQLOSVSHMALANISMSEYLIQLOSVSHAKANISMSEYLIQLOSVSHAKANISMSEYLIQLOSVSHAKANISMSEYLIQLOSVSHMALDGVYTNAKANISMSEYLIQLOSVSHMALDGVYTANISMSKANISMSANISMS$
	YFIKSWSSAAVSSNENIPYPNLDSRSLFPMYEHGDFPKEAVIASLSAPFIVKEKFSLNRLVFDASAVRKLKSKAASSSG
	VEHPTRVEVVSAIISKSVKAALNAKSDIKKRIAISQVVNMRRKAMPPFSDSSLGNFIWPTLAINTEEETEFSSLVYNLRDA
	${\sf IRKVDSEFVKNAIEGGSSKFLRDLKETRDSLSVDEMEFMMFTSWCNFGMYNNSNFGFGKPTWISLCIMTSEEIIPCNNI}$
	CMLKDTMNGDGVEAWLFVPQDIVAVLEKDDELLQYASFNISPLNIS

Dataset S1 (separate file). Levels of selected di- and triterpene metabolites in marker-only (EpCH42) and marker plus EpBAHD-06 and EpBAHD-08 silenced (EpCH42:EpBAHD-06 and EpCH42:EpBAHD-08) stems and leaves.

Dataset S2 (separate file). Levels of selected di- and triterpene metabolites in marker-only (*EpCH42*) and marker plus *EpBAHD-07* and *EpBAHD-11* silenced (*EpCH42:EpBAHD-07and EpCH42:EpBAHD-11*) stems and leaves.

Dataset S3 (separate file). Levels of selected di- and triterpene metabolites in marker-only (*EpCH42*) and marker plus *EpBAHD-07* and *EpBAHD-11* silenced (*EpCH42:EpBAHD-07and EpCH42:EpBAHD-11*) stems and leaves.

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