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Statistics

For all statistical analyses, confirm that the following items are present in the figure legend, table legend, main text, or Methods section.

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- ☐ ☒ The exact sample size (n) for each experimental group/condition, given as a discrete number and unit of measurement
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- ☒ ☐ A description of all covariates tested
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- ☐ ☒ A full description of the statistical parameters including central tendency (e.g. means) or other basic estimates (e.g. regression coefficient) AND variation (e.g. standard deviation) or associated estimates of uncertainty (e.g. confidence intervals)
- ☐ ☒ For null hypothesis testing, the test statistic (e.g. F , t , r) with confidence intervals, effect sizes, degrees of freedom and P value noted
Give P values as exact values whenever suitable.
- ☒ ☐ For Bayesian analysis, information on the choice of priors and Markov chain Monte Carlo settings
- ☒ ☐ For hierarchical and complex designs, identification of the appropriate level for tests and full reporting of outcomes
- ☒ ☐ Estimates of effect sizes (e.g. Cohen's d , Pearson's r), indicating how they were calculated

Our web collection on [statistics for biologists](#) contains articles on many of the points above.

Software and code

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Data collection

We used ImageJ software for the collection of imaging data, comet assay data, and data of root phenotype. NGS datasets were generated on Illumina's sequencers.

Data analysis

We used the Subread package v2.0.0 (<http://subread.sourceforge.net>) and HiCdat (<https://github.com/MWSchmid/HiCdat>) for Hi-C data processing. We used the R software (<https://www.r-project.org>) for the analyses of microarray and Hi-C data. The Bioconductor limma package v2.12.1 (<http://www.bioconductor.org>) and HiCdatR package (<https://github.com/MWSchmid/HiCdat>) in R was used for microarray and Hi-C data analyses, respectively. We used ImageJ software (<http://rsb.info.nih.gov/ij/>) plugins, CometAssay (<https://www.med.unc.edu/microscopy/resources/imagej-plugins-and-macros/comet-assay>) and MtrackJ (<https://imagescience.org/meijering/software/mtrackj/>) for the analyses of comet assay and centromere movement, respectively. We used FastQC v0.11.9 (<https://www.bioinformatics.babraham.ac.uk/projects/fastqc/>), Trimmomatic v0.39 (<http://www.usadellab.org/cms/?page=trimmomatic>), STAR v2.7.10a (<https://github.com/alexdobin/STAR>), featureCounts v2.0.0 (<http://subread.sourceforge.net>), R packages DESeq2 v1.34.0 (<https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/DESeq2.html>) and EnhancedVolcano v1.13.2 (<https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/EnhancedVolcano.html>) for the analysis of RNA-seq data. We used bismark v0.23.0 (<https://www.bioinformatics.babraham.ac.uk/projects/bismark/>), and R packages methylKit v1.22.0 (<https://bioconductor.riken.jp/packages/3.9/bioc/vignettes/methylKit/inst/doc/methylKit.html>) and circlize v0.4.15 (https://jokerbio.github.io/circlize_book/book/). R scripts for Hi-C, BS-seq analysis (<https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.6631550>) and RNA-seq analysis (<https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.6637416>) are available on Zenodo (<https://zenodo.org/record/6631550>).

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Data

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All manuscripts must include a [data availability statement](#). This statement should provide the following information, where applicable:

- Accession codes, unique identifiers, or web links for publicly available datasets
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The data supporting the findings of this study are available within the paper and its supplementary information files. The microarray data (GEO ID: GSE179466) are available on the GEO website (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/>). The Hi-C (DRA013016), RNA-seq (DRA014243), BS-seq (DRA014250) data are available on the DDBJ website (<https://www.ddbj.nig.ac.jp/index-e.html>). We used a modified version of Araport11 downloaded from <https://plants.ensembl.org> for RNA-seq data analysis and a TAIR10 genome downloaded from <https://www.arabidopsis.org/index.jsp> for Hi-C and BS-seq data analysis.

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Life sciences study design

All studies must disclose on these points even when the disclosure is negative.

Sample size	No sample-size calculation was performed. Samples size was chosen according to convention in the field of plant cell biology for all experiments.
Data exclusions	No data were excluded.
Replication	All data shown is based on multiple biologically independent replicates. The number of replicates for each experiment was stated in the Figure or Figure legends and Method section of the manuscript. At least each experiment was independently repeated twice with similar results.
Randomization	Plants were grown on at least three plates placed randomly in the growth chamber to eliminate the influence of position during growth. With the exception of a few experiments, all plants grown were used in the experiments to avoid arbitrary sample selection. In DNA damage related experiments involving transplanting of plants, DNA damage treatments were performed on plants showing similar growth selected from large number of prepared plants to more accurately assess the effects of DNA damage.
Blinding	No blinding was applied. This is because the first author was involved in all experimental design and data collection and in most of the data analysis except for the analysis of NGS data. In addition, regarding NGS data analysis, we applied identical settings to all samples, blinding was not essential.

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Materials & experimental systems

n/a	Involved in the study
☐	☒ Antibodies
☒	☐ Eukaryotic cell lines
☒	☐ Palaeontology and archaeology
☒	☐ Animals and other organisms
☒	☐ Human research participants
☒	☐ Clinical data
☒	☐ Dual use research of concern

Methods

n/a	Involved in the study
☒	☐ ChIP-seq
☒	☐ Flow cytometry
☒	☐ MRI-based neuroimaging

Antibodies

Antibodies used	Rabbit polyclonal anti-GFP antibody (ab290, Abcam) Rabbit polyclonal anti-RFP antibody (R10367, Thermo Fisher Scientific) Goat polyclonal anti-rabbit IgG pAb-HRP (458, MBL)
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Rabbit polyclonal anti- γ H2AX antibody (Hirakawa et al, <https://doi.org/10.1111/tpj.13499>)
Goat polyclonal anti-rabbit IgG Alexa Fluor 488 (A32731, Thermo Fisher Scientific)

Validation

The antibodies used in this study has been validated previously. Information of these antibodies are available on the web sites.
ab290; Abcam (<https://www.abcam.com/gfp-antibody-ab290.html>)
R10367; Thermo Fisher Scientific (<https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/RFP-Antibody-Polyclonal/R10367>)
458; MBL (<https://ruo.mbl.co.jp/bio/e/dtl/A/?pcd=458>)
 γ H2AX; Plant Journal (<https://doi.org/10.1111/tpj.13499>)
A32731; Thermo Fisher Scientific (<https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/Goat-anti-Rabbit-IgG-H-L-Highly-Cross-Adsorbed-Secondary-Antibody-Polyclonal/A32731>)