

1 **SMRT sequencing of the *Oryza rufipogon* genome**
2 **reveals the genomic basis of rice adaptation**

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21 **Abstract**

22 Asian cultivated rice is believed to have been domesticated from an immediate ancestral
23 progenitor, *Oryza rufipogon*, which provides promising sources of novel alleles for world
24 rice improvement. Here we first present a high-quality *de novo* assembly of the typical *O.*
25 *rufipogon* genome through the integration of single-molecule sequencing (SMRT), 10×
26 and Hi-C technologies. This chromosome-based reference genome allows a multi-species
27 comparative analysis of the annual selfing *O. sativa* and its two wild progenitors, the
28 annual selfing *O. nivara* and perennial outcrossing *O. rufipogon*, identifying massive
29 numbers of dispensable genes that are functionally enriched in reproductive process.
30 Comparative genomic analyses identified millions of genomic variants, of which
31 large-effect mutations (e.g., SVs, CNV and PAVs) may affect the variation of
32 agronomically significant traits. We demonstrate how lineage-specific expansion of rice
33 gene families may have contributed to the formation of reproduction isolation (e.g., the
34 recognition of pollen and male sterility), thus brightening the role in driving mating
35 system evolution during the evolutionary process of recent speciation. We document
36 thousands of positively selected genes that are mainly involved in flower development,
37 ripening, pollination, reproduction and response to biotic- and abiotic stresses. We show
38 that selection pressures may serve as crucial forces to govern substantial genomic
39 alterations among the three rice species that form the genetic basis of rapid evolution of
40 mating and reproductive systems under diverse habitats. This first chromosome-based
41 wild rice genome in the genus *Oryza* will become powerful to accelerate the exploration
42 of untapped genomic diversity from wild rice for the enhancement of elite rice cultivars.

43 **Introduction**

44 Asian cultivated rice (*Oryza sativa* L.), which is grown worldwide and is one of the most
45 important cereals for human nutrition, is thought to have been domesticated from an
46 immediate ancestral progenitor, *O. rufipogon*, thousands of years ago¹⁻⁵. During the
47 process of domestication under intensive human cultivation, rice has undergone
48 substantial phenotypic and physiological changes and has experienced an extensive loss
49 of genetic diversity through successive bottlenecks and artificial selection for agronomic
50 traits compared to its wild progenitor^{6,7}. *O. rufipogon* span a broad geographical range of
51 global pantropical regions⁸, and for example, extensively occur in diverse natural habitats
52 in South China^{9,10}. Although Asian cultivated rice is predominantly selfing, estimated
53 outcrossing rates of Asian wild rice, which ranged from ~5 to 60%, showed that mating
54 system is associated with life-history traits and results in the differentiation into two
55 ecotypes: predominantly selfing annual *O. nivara* having high reproductive effort and
56 mixed-mating *O. rufipogon* with low reproductive effort¹¹⁻¹³. They offer promising
57 sources of novel alleles for rice improvement that is of crucial significance in world rice
58 production and food security. Many alien genes involved in rice improvement have
59 successfully been introduced through introgression lines from *O. rufipogon* and have
60 helped expand the rice gene pool important to the generation of environmentally resilient
61 and higher-yielding varieties¹⁴, such as the discovery of the “wild-abortive rice” in *O.*
62 *rufipogon* leading to a great success of hybrid rice¹⁵.

63 Despite this great interest, assembling a typical *O. rufipogon* genome has been
64 extremely challenging due to the nature of outcrossing and self-incompatibility that result
65 in a high rate of genome heterozygosity. This genomic complexity has long faced
66 leading-edge assembly procedures compared to six other AA- genome *Oryza* species¹⁶.
67 To overcome this challenge, we first present a chromosome-based assembly and
68 annotation of the typical *O. rufipogon* genome through the integration of single-molecule
69 sequencing, 10× and Hi-C technologies. We also performed a multi-species comparative
70 analysis of *O. rufipogon*, *O. nivara* and *O. sativa* to offer valuable genomic resources for
71 unlocking the untapped reservoir of this wild rice to enhance rice breeding programs.

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73 **Results**

74 **Genome sequencing, assembly and annotation.** We sequenced the nuclear genome of *O.*
75 *rufipogon* (RUF) from a typical natural population grown in Yuanjiang County, Yunnan
76 Province, China. We performed a whole-genome shotgun sequencing (WGS) analysis
77 with the single-molecule sequencing platform. This generated clean sequence data sets of
78 ~39.47 Gb with average read length of 12.6 kb and yielded approximately 102.253-fold
79 coverage (**Table 1**). The diploid FALCON-Unzip (version 0.3.0)¹⁷ assembler resulted in
80 an primary assembly of ~373.88 Mb with an contig N50 length of ~710.33 Kb
81 (**Supplementary Table 1**). FALCON-Unzip also generated a combined 23.85 Mb of
82 haplotype-resolved sequence, with an N50 of 29.47 Kb and a maximum length of 653.91
83 Kb (**Supplementary Fig. 1; Supplementary Table 2**). Both SMRT and Illumina reads
84 were used for the correction of genome assembly. Only the corrected primary contigs
85 were used for further scaffolding. Aided with ~39.9 Gb (~103× genome coverage) 10 ×
86 data, we further assembled contigs into scaffolds with an N50 length of ~2.21 Mb
87 (**Supplementary Table 1**). About 97.35% of the assembly falls into 290 scaffolds larger
88 than 100 Kb in length (**Supplementary Table 3**). To obtain a chromosome-based
89 reference genome we sequenced ~103.9 Gb (~269× genome coverage) Hi-C data and
90 anchored ~364.46 Mb sequences into 12 pseudo-chromosomes using Lachesis¹⁸ with
91 default parameters based on syntenic relationship with the *O. sativa* ssp. *japonica* cv.
92 *Nipponbare* genome (MSU 7.0), representing ~94.42 % of the estimated genome size of
93 *O. rufipogon* (~386 Mb) (**Supplementary Table 4**). The chromosomes lengths of the
94 RUF genome varied from ~22 Mbp (Chr12) to ~44 Mbp (Chr01) with an average size of
95 ~30 Mbp (**Figure 1; Supplementary Figure 2; Supplementary Table 4**). The
96 assembled genome was referred to as *Oryza_rufipogon_v2.0*, which showed an extensive
97 synteny conservation with the *O. sativa* ssp. *japonica* cv. *Nipponbare* genome (MSU 7.0)
98 (**Supplementary Fig. 2**). To further improve the continuity of the genome assembly,
99 captured gaps were filled using PBJelly2¹⁹. Thus, we obtained an assembly of 380.51 Mb,
100 with a contig N50 length of 1,096 Kb and a scaffold N50 of 30.20 Mb (**Table 1;**
101 **Supplementary Table 1**).

102 By adopting a method from Stefan et al.²⁰, we attempted to detect haplotype
103 variations between primary contigs and haplotigs. The show-snp tool implemented in the

104 MUMER package²¹ was used to identify single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) and
105 indels. After aligning the haplotigs against the genome sequence, we obtained a total of
106 84,227 SNPs and 54,407 indels, respectively. Using Assemblytics²², a web-based tool,
107 large variants (≥ 10 bp) between primary contigs and haplotigs were detected. A total of
108 704 large variants were found, including 429 insertions, 247 deletions, 9 repeat
109 expansions, 1 repeat contractions, 16 tandem expansion, and 2 tandem contraction
110 (**Supplementary Fig. 3; Supplementary Table 5**). This phased genome assembly has
111 largely improved our understanding of haplotype composition and genomic
112 heterozygosity within a diploid genome that will help future rice breeding efforts.

113 To validate the genome assembly quality, we first mapped ~ 33.89 Gb of high-quality
114 reads to the assembled genome sequences, showing a good alignment with an average
115 mapping rate of 93.0% (**Supplementary Table 6**); second, we aligned all available DNA,
116 proteins of RUF from public databases and RNA sequencing (RNA-Seq) data obtained
117 from four libraries representing major tissue types and developmental stages of the
118 sequenced RUF individual, and obtained mapping rates of 86.94%, $\sim 64.43\%$ and
119 $\sim 71.34\%$, respectively (**Supplementary Table 6**); and finally, we checked core gene
120 statistics using BUSCO²³ to further verify the sensitivity of gene prediction and the
121 completeness and appropriate haplotig merging of the genome assembly. Our gene
122 predictions recovered 1,402 of the 1,440 (97.36%) highly conserved core proteins in the
123 Embryophyta lineage (**Supplementary Table 6**).

124 In combination with *ab initio* prediction, protein and expressed sequence tags (ESTs)
125 alignments, EvidenceModeler combing and further filtering, we predicted 34,830
126 protein-coding genes (**Supplementary Table 7**). Of them, 84.2% of the gene models
127 were supported by transcript and/or protein evidences (**Supplementary Table 8**). We also
128 annotated non-coding RNA (ncRNA) genes, including transfer RNA (tRNA) genes,
129 ribosomal RNA (rRNA) genes, small nucleolar RNA (snoRNAs) genes, small nuclear
130 RNA (snRNAs) genes and microRNA (miRNAs) genes (**Supplementary Table 9**). In
131 total, 245 miRNA genes belonging to 77 miRNA families were identified in the RUF
132 genome (**Supplementary Table 9**). The annotation of repeat sequences showed that
133 approximately 44.14% of the RUF genome consists of transposable elements (TEs),
134 larger than the amount (39.40%) annotated in the SAT genome with the same methods

135 **(Supplementary Table 10)**. LTR retrotransposons were the most abundant TE type,
136 occupying roughly 25.87% of the RUF genome. We annotated 218,967 simple sequence
137 repeats (SSRs) that will provide valuable genetic markers to assist rice-breeding
138 programs **(Supplementary Table 11)**.

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140 **Multi-species comparative analysis of and genomic variation in *O. rufipogon*, *O.***
141 ***nivara* and *O. sativa***. We performed a multi-species comparative analysis by comparing
142 SAT with the two wild ancestral genomes, RUF and *O. nivara* (NIV)¹⁶ **(Fig. 1;**
143 **Supplementary Table 12)**, obtaining an overall statistic of 515,500,353 bp and a total set
144 of 51,533 genes **(Fig. 2A; Supplementary Table 13)**. Our results showed the increase of
145 total genes but the reduction of core genes from two pair rice genomes to the three
146 genomes **(Fig. 2A)**. The core-genome size of the three species and average pan-genome
147 size of any two species accounted for ~61.6% (317,729,226 bp) and ~92.1%
148 (474,815,432 bp) of whole pan-genome **(Fig. 2B; Supplementary Table 13)**,
149 respectively, suggesting that any single genome may not sufficiently represent the
150 genomic diversity encompassed within the rice gene pool. Approximately 27.4% (14,135
151 core genes) of the protein-coding genes were conserved across all three genomes, and
152 nearly 44.6% (22,979 genes) were present in more than one but not all three rice genomes,
153 representing the dispensable genome. Gene Ontology (GO) enrichment analysis showed
154 that core genes were enriched in fundamental biological processes, while the functional
155 category of reproductive process was intriguingly enriched in dispensable genes ($P <$
156 0.001; FDR < 0.001) **(Supplementary Table 14)**.

157 The completion of high-quality genome sequences of both cultivated *O. sativa* and
158 the two immediate wild progenitors, *O. rufipogon* and *O. nivara*, enables us to detect
159 genomic variation and characterize sequence variants of functionally important rice genes.
160 We compared these three genomes to unearth genomic variation including
161 single-nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs), insertions or deletions (InDels), structural
162 variants (SVs), copy number variation (CNVs) and presence-absence variation (PAVs)
163 **(Fig. 1; Supplementary Fig. 4)**. SNPs and SVs were cataloged using reads mapping
164 analysis and the assembly-based method, yielding 4,997,466 SNPs and 817,238 InDels in
165 RUF and 3,794,980 SNPs and 779,252 InDels in NIV as compared to Nipponbare,

166 respectively (**Supplementary Table 15**). Notably, both wild rice (RUF and NIV)
167 possessed considerably larger SNPs and InDels than cultivated SAT, and the outcrossing
168 species RUF had larger SNPs and InDels than the predominantly two selfing rice species,
169 NIV and SAT (**Supplementary Table 15**). This result is in a good agreement with rather
170 high heterozygous SNP rates throughout the RUF genome than NIV and SAT (**Fig. 2C**;
171 **Supplementary Fig. 5**). We examined the sequence variants for their potential functional
172 effects on protein-coding genes, and identified a total of 446,309 and 349,519
173 non-synonymous SNPs in RUF and NIV, respectively (**Supplementary Table 16**).
174 Besides, we detected 17,124 and 14,083 SNPs that resulted in stop codon gains and 2,218
175 and 1,730 SNPs that resulted in stop codon losses in RUF and NIV, respectively
176 (**Supplementary Table 16**). Although the size distribution of insertions and deletions
177 within protein-coding sequences indicated peaks at positions that are multiples of three
178 owing to negative selection on frame-shift InDels (**Supplementary Fig. 6**), 25,139 and
179 41,038 genomic SVs with large effect resulted in frameshifts in RUF and NIV,
180 respectively (**Supplementary Table 16**). The identification of SNPs, Indels and/or SVs
181 with large effect among SAT, RUF and NIV will accelerate the discovery of candidate
182 genes related to the improvement of cultivated rice.

183 We integrated methods of reads mapping analysis and synteny comparisons to
184 identify CNVs within hundreds of genes that had either gained or lost copies in RUF and
185 NIV compared to SAT. Of 319 genes affecting both RUF and NIV, 88 had CNV loss, 145
186 had CNV gain and 86 had both CNV loss and gain, while 6,940 and 940 genes occurred
187 CNV gain and loss, respectively, in either RUF or NIV alone (**Supplementary Table 17**).
188 GO enrichment analysis indicated that genes function in flower development
189 (GO:0009908; $P < 0.001$) and abiotic and biotic stresses, such as stress response and
190 resistance (*R*)-genes with nucleotide-binding site (NBS) or NBS-leucine-rich repeat
191 (LRR) domains and transcription factors were significantly enriched in genes affected by
192 CNVs ($P < 0.001$) (**Supplementary Tables 18, 19 and 20**). Further analyses showed that
193 a large number of genes associated with rice flower development (**Supplementary**
194 **Tables 21-25**) and resistance (*R*)-genes with nucleotide-binding site (NBS) or
195 NBS-leucine-rich repeat (LRR) domains are remarkably affected by CNVs (**Fig. 2D**;
196 **Supplementary Tables 26 and 27**). The results suggest that wild rice genes affected by

197 CNVs may be involved in flower development, flowering time, reproduction, and
198 adaptation to changeable climatic environments and/or interaction with pathogens in
199 nature.

200 Altogether, we identified 35,906 RUF-specific and 49,620 NIV-specific PAVs that
201 account for ~26 Mbp of RUF-specific and ~32 Mbp of NIV-specific PAV (defined as >
202 100 bp and <95% identity) (**Supplementary Tables 28 and 29 and Supplementary Fig.**
203 **7**). There were 7,862 and 17,501 genes found to have at least 80% of their coding
204 sequences composed of RUF- and NIV- specific sequences (**Supplementary Table 29**).
205 Notably, functional annotation shows that a large number of genes affected by
206 RUF-specific and NIV-specific PAVs are significantly enriched in functional categories
207 involved in the disease resistance, such as NB-ARC domain (PF00931, $P < 0.001$; FDR <
208 0.001), Leucine rich repeat (PF13855, $P < 0.05$; FDR < 0.05) and Leucine Rich Repeat
209 (PF00560, $P < 0.05$; FDR < 0.05), and response to environmental change, such as
210 oxidoreductase activity (GO: 0016491, $P < 0.05$; FDR < 0.05) (**Fig. 2E; Supplementary**
211 **Tables 30 and 31**). These RUF-specific and/or NIV-specific R-genes with NBS domains,
212 which are usually considered to mediate effector-triggered immunity acting as detectors
213 for pathogen virulence proteins²⁴, represent an important portion of the dispensable rice
214 genome, some of which possibly reflect important gene sources of wild rice for the
215 adaptation to biotic stresses under diverse habitats.

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217 **Accelerated evolution of gene families actively drives rice adaptation.** To examine the
218 evolution of gene families underlying physiological and phenotypic changes and rice
219 species adaptation we compared the predicted proteomes of RUF, NIV and SAT, yielding
220 a total of 29,879 orthologous gene families that comprised 100,238 genes
221 (**Supplementary Table 32**). This revealed a core set of 72,490 genes belonging to 17,454
222 clusters that were shared among all three rice species, representing ancestral gene
223 families in Asian cultivated rice and the two presumed wild progenitors (**Fig. 3A**).
224 Interestingly, 1,007 (2,473 genes), 437 (1,097 genes) and 239 (633 genes) gene clusters
225 were found unique to RUF, NIV and Asian cultivated rice (SAT) (**Fig. 3A**). Functional
226 enrichment analyses of RUF-specific genes by both Gene Ontology (GO) terms and
227 PFAM domains together revealed functional categories related to stress up-regulated Nod

228 19 (PF07712, $P < 0.001$), pathogenesis (GO:0009405, $P < 0.001$), pollen allergen
229 (PF01357, $P < 0.001$), and root cap (PF06830, $P < 0.001$) (**Supplementary Tables 33**
230 **and 34**). Functional enrichment analyses of NIV-specific genes showed functional
231 categories related to petal formation-expressed (PF14476, $P < 0.001$) and photosynthesis
232 processes, such as photosynthesis (GO:0015979, $P < 0.001$), photosystem II
233 (GO:0009523, $P < 0.001$), photosystem II reaction center W protein (PsbW) (PF0712, P
234 < 0.001) (**Supplementary Tables 33 and 34**). Functional enrichment analyses of
235 SAT-specific genes disclosed functional categories related to defense response
236 (GO:0006952, $P < 0.001$), response to oxidative stress (GO:0006979, $P < 0.001$) and
237 photosynthesis, such as photosynthesis (GO:0015979, $P < 0.001$), photosynthesis, light
238 reaction (GO:0019684, $P < 0.001$), photosynthetic electron transport chain (GO:0009767,
239 $P < 0.001$), photosynthetic electron transport in photosystem II (GO:0009772, $P < 0.001$),
240 photosystem (GO:0009521, $P < 0.001$), photosystem I (GO:0009522, $P < 0.001$),
241 photosystem II (GO:0009523, $P < 0.001$), photosystem II reaction center (GO:0009539,
242 $P < 0.001$), photosystem II stabilization (GO:0042549, $P < 0.001$), photosystem II 10
243 kDa phosphoprotein (PF00737, $P < 0.001$), photosystem II 4 kDa reaction center
244 component (PF02533, $P < 0.001$), photosystem II reaction centre X protein (PsbX)
245 (PF06596, $P < 0.001$), photosynthetic reaction center protein (PF00124, $P < 0.001$),
246 photosystem II protein (PF00421, $P < 0.001$) (**Supplementary Tables 33 and 34**). The
247 creation of new gene families in rice and the two wild progenitors may have contributed
248 to the observed flowering-time phenotypic variation, response to biotic and abiotic
249 stresses and formation of reproductive isolation that are crucial for reproductive success
250 and influence the abilities of adaptation in a remarkably diverse range of worldwide
251 habitats.

252 To understand the expansion or contraction of rice gene families causing phenotypic
253 diversification we characterized gene families that undergo detectable changes and
254 divergently evolve along different branches with a particular emphasis on those involved
255 in phenotypic traits and environmental adaptation. Our results showed that, of the 23,755
256 gene families (29,193 genes) inferred to be present in the most recent common ancestor
257 of the four studied rice species, 2,486 (3,567), 790 (2,060) and 526 (3,741) exhibited
258 significant expansions (contractions) ($P < 0.001$; FDR < 0.001) in the RUF, SAT and NIV

259 lineages, respectively (**Fig. 3B**; **Supplementary Fig. 8**; **Supplementary Table 35**).
260 Remarkably, functional annotation demonstrates that a large number of genes enriched in
261 functional categories involved in the recognition of pollen (GO:0048544, $P < 0.001$) were
262 significantly amplified in RUF but contracted in NIV in comparison with SAT
263 (**Supplementary Table 36**). Compared with NIV and SAT, however, genes enriched in
264 functional categories involved in the reproduction, including male sterility proteins
265 (PF03015, PF07993, $P < 0.001$) and petal formation-expressed protein (PF14476, $P <$
266 0.001), were significantly contracted in RUF (**Supplementary Table 37**). Compared with
267 RUF and NIV we surprisingly found that gene families in SAT were significantly
268 enriched in a number of functions related to defense response (GO:0006952, $P < 0.001$),
269 response to oxidative stress (GO:0006979, $P < 0.001$), and photosynthesis in particular,
270 including photosynthesis (GO:0015979, $P < 0.001$), photosynthesis, light reaction
271 (GO:0019684, $P < 0.001$), photosynthetic electron transport in photosystem II
272 (GO:0009772, $P < 0.001$), photosystem I (GO:0009522, $P < 0.001$) and photosynthetic
273 reaction center protein (PF00124, $P < 0.001$) (**Supplementary Table 36**).

274 Among the highly expanded and contracted gene families, we found that
275 disease-resistance genes were significantly contracted in NIV but amplified in RUF and
276 SAT, which are highly enriched in functional categories, including leucine rich repeats
277 (PF12799, PF13855, PF13504; $P < 0.001$), NB-ARC domain (PF00931, $P < 0.001$) and
278 Leucine rich repeat N-terminal domain (PF08263, $P < 0.001$) (**Supplementary Tables**
279 **35-37**). Whole-genome comparative analysis of the nucleotide-binding site with
280 leucine-rich repeat (NBS-LRR) genes further revealed a large expansion of gene families
281 relevant to an enhanced disease resistance in RUF. In total, we identified 576, 631 and
282 489 genes encoding NBS-LRR proteins in RUF, SAT and NIV, respectively
283 (**Supplementary Table 38**). The contraction in NIV *versus* RUF is mainly attributable to
284 a decrease in CC-NBS, CC-NBS-LRR, NBS and NBS-LRR domains. It is noteworthy
285 that, compared to the two wild progenitors, SAT exhibited an expansion of NBS-LRR
286 genes, which mainly come from an increase of CC-NBS-LRR and NBS-LRR domains.
287 We positioned these orthologous *R*-genes (~98%) to specific locations across the SAT
288 chromosomes (**Fig. 3C**), showing an almost unequal distribution of the amplified
289 NBS-encoding genes throughout the entire genome, particularly on Chromosome 11,

290 which offer a large number of disease resistance candidate loci for further functional
291 studies and rice breeding programs.

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293 **Natural selection on rice genes.** The three fairly closely related rice genomes provide a
294 good model to assess the adaptive evolution of rice protein-coding genes under natural
295 selection. We identified 10,206 high-confidence 1:1 orthologous gene families that were
296 used to construct a phylogenetic tree and estimate divergence times among RUF, NIV and
297 SAT using *O. meridionalis* (MER) as outgroup (**Supplementary Fig. 9**). Average
298 synonymous (*dS*) and nonsynonymous (*dN*) gene divergence values varied but are well
299 comparable to the branch lengths that account for lineage divergence (**Supplementary**
300 **Fig. 9; Supplementary Table 39**). Overall, the observed branch-specific ω values
301 (nonsynonymous-synonymous rate ratio, *dN/dS*) were 0.5352, 0.6598 and 0.5382 for SAT,
302 NIV and RUF, respectively (**Fig. 4A; Supplementary Fig. 10; Supplementary Table**
303 **39**), suggesting that these three rice species may have experienced purifying selection. To
304 test the hypothesis that the rapidly evolving genes showing increased *dN/dS* ratios have
305 been under positive selection and are further promoted by speciation²⁵, we looked for
306 such footprints using likelihood ratio tests for the same orthologous gene set from the
307 three AA-genomes. Consistent with previously reported genome-wide positive selection
308 scans in the five rice genomes¹⁶, all tests identified a total of 2,053 non-redundant
309 positively selected genes (PSGs) (false discovery rate, FDR < 0.05) (**Supplementary**
310 **Tables 40-46**). Besides 1,799 PSGs in the site model tests for all branches, we detected
311 that a total of 90, 199 and 476 branch-specific PSGs in SAT, RUF and NIV (**Fig. 4B;**
312 **Supplementary Table 40**). Comparing previous genome-wide scans for positive
313 selection²⁶, we detected strikingly large proportions of PSGs in the overall phylogeny of
314 rice species (~20.1%, 2,053) (**Supplementary Table 40**), which might be associated with
315 the process of recent speciation and subsequently rapid adaptation to particularly varying
316 environments.

317 The inclusion of the three rice genomes for all non-redundant PSGs yields a
318 statistically significant enrichment for GO categories that span a wide range of functional
319 categories, of which 65 genes involved in “flower development” and 51 in “response to
320 biotic stimulus” categories showed evidence for positive selection (**Fig. 4C;**

321 **Supplementary Table 47**). Flower development-related traits, flowering times, the
322 formation of reproduction, and adaptation to specific environments are crucial to and
323 characteristic of the rapid evolution of mating and reproductive systems of these three
324 closely related rice species inhabiting on different natural habitats. Hence, it is interesting
325 that genes involved in flower development, reproduction, and resistance-related processes
326 have been under positive selection in these species. With this in mind, we further
327 examined functional enrichment for branch- or species-specific datasets of PSGs,
328 showing that there is the largest number of PSGs in NIV (**Supplementary Table 47**).
329 Notably, many candidate PSGs were significantly over-represented in categories related
330 to ripening, flower development, pollination, reproduction and response to extracellular
331 stimulus in NIV ($P < 0.001$) (**Supplementary Table 47**). Indeed, we detected that up to
332 71 genes known to play an important role in ripening (e. g., *MATE* efflux family), flower
333 development (e. g., *OsIDS1*, *RFL*, *Hd1*, *Ehd2*, *OsSWN1*, *OsRRMh*) and reproduction (e.g.,
334 *CSA*, *RAD51C*, *OsGAMYB*, *TDR*, *GnT1*, *DPW*, *SDS*, *OsMSH5*, *OsABCG15*, *OsCOM1*,
335 *OsMYB80*) pathways show signs of positive selection (**Fig. 4D; Supplementary Table**
336 **48**).
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338 Discussion

339 The completion of the two subspecies genomes of *O. sativa*²⁷⁻³⁰ has greatly enhanced the
340 identification and characterization of functionally important genes for the rice community.
341 The availability of the first chromosome-based high-quality reference genome of *O.*
342 *rufipogon*, presented here, have contiguity improvements over the published *O. rufipogon*
343 genomes based on NGS technologies^{4,31}. This typical Asian wild rice genome is, to our
344 knowledge, the first long read assembly among numerous wild progenitors of
345 domesticated crops, and now provides powerful genomic resources to investigate the
346 orthologous loci and genomic regions associated with agronomically significant traits of
347 cultivated rice. The past century has witnessed the achievement to breed environmentally
348 resilient and high-yielding rice varieties owing to the introduction of alien genes of *O.*
349 *rufipogon* and other AA- genome relatives to expand the gene pool of Asian cultivated
350 rice³². Thus, the completion of the *O. rufipogon* genome together with the availability of
351 Nipponbare and six other AA-genomes^{16,27,33,34} will become valuable genomic resources
352 to enhance the exploitation of wild rice germplasms for rice genetic improvement.

353 Genomic variation has been extensively investigated through comparisons of
354 genome assemblies of the *Oryza* species^{16,31} and population genomic analysis of *O.*
355 *rufipogon* based only on Illumina reads³⁵. This study drew a map of genomic variation
356 and addressed questions that do not largely overlap former studies^{16,31,35}. We performed a
357 multi-species comparative analysis of ~~reconstructed a pan-genome of~~ the annual selfing *O.*
358 *sativa* and its two wild progenitors, the annual selfing *O. nivara* and perennial
359 outcrossing *O. rufipogon*, using *de novo* assembly and reads mapping-based methods.
360 This study demonstrates the advantage of multi-species comparative analysis that the
361 cultivated rice genome alone may not adequately represent the genomic diversity of
362 whole rice species' gene pool. We show that a great number of dispensable genes were
363 functionally enriched in reproductive process, possibly forming the genetic basis of a
364 rapid evolution of mating and reproductive systems among the three rice species.

365 We catalogued a large data set comprising millions of genomic variants for cultivated and
366 wild rice, of which large-effect genomic variants, including SNPs, InDels or SVs causing
367 stop codon gain or loss and frameshift, CNV and PAVs, may affect a number of
368 functionally important genes. These sequence variants that may associate with agronomic

369 phenotypes or QTLs of agronomic traits will be useful in improving rice cultivars, in
370 which rare alleles may be mined and functionally validated. They will also serve as dense
371 molecular markers to assess new allelic combinations for marker-assisted mapping of
372 agriculturally important traits in rice breeding programs.

373 Genome-wide structural variations are hypothesized to drive important phenotypic
374 variation within a species, and a number of CNVs and PAVs in R-genes across the species
375 have been extensively documented³⁶⁻³⁹. In this study, the multi-species comparative
376 analysis showed that a large number of candidate genes affected by CNVs associate with
377 the adaptation to various abiotic and biotic stresses, flower development, flowering time
378 and reproduction. We also captured lots of RUF-specific and NIV-specific PAVs that
379 represent an important portion of the dispensable genome and affect genes significantly
380 enriched in the disease resistance. Such novel genes and/or alleles possibly reflect
381 important genetic materials from wild rice to adapt to diverse natural habitats, which may
382 be exploited to enhance increased resilience to climate variability in cultivated rice.

383 Our analysis shows an accelerated evolution of rice gene families, a considerable
384 portion of which were *de novo* generated and/or experienced fast lineage-specific
385 expansions and contractions with significantly functional enrichment associated with
386 physiological changes, phenotypic diversification and environmental adaptation from
387 their common ancestor during the past 1.5 Myr. A large number of genes associated with
388 the formation of reproduction isolation, such as the recognition of pollen and male
389 sterility, were differently amplified, suggesting that the accelerated evolution of these
390 gene families may have largely driven the variation and evolution of mating system
391 among Asian cultivated rice and its two immediate wild progenitors. Compared with the
392 perennial wild rice (RUF) the two annual rice species (SAT and NIV) showed a *de novo*
393 generation and/or amplification of gene families significantly enriched in photosynthesis
394 processes, possibly resulting in the observed flowering-time phenotypic variation. Our
395 analysis showed that disease-resistance genes have been significantly contracted in NIV
396 but amplified in SAT and RUF during the past 1.5 Myr. The expansion of this type of
397 genes in RUF suggests that selection pressures in response to pathogenic challenge
398 potentiated adaptations to the diverse habitats in Asia and Australia. They provide a large
399 number of disease resistance candidate loci for further functional genomic studies and

400 rice breeding efforts.

401 We identified thousands of candidate genes that may have been under positive
402 selection in at least one of the three rice species (SAT, RUF and NIV) during the process
403 of speciation. Functional enrichment analysis further suggests that they are mainly
404 involved in flower development and response to biotic- and abiotic stresses that are
405 expected to show signatures of adaptive evolution in changeable environments. We
406 detected the largest number of PSGs occurred in the annual wild rice (NIV) as a result of
407 strong selection pressure, which were significantly over-represented in functional
408 categories related to flower development, ripening, pollination, reproduction and
409 response to extracellular stimulus. Our results indicate that natural selection may serve as
410 crucial forces to drive a rapid evolution of mating and reproductive systems of these three
411 closely related rice species inhabiting on distinctive natural habitats. Further efforts will
412 be required to perform experiments of functional genomics to seek evidence about how
413 these genes genetically control environmental adaptation and/or phenotypic alterations.

414 A large collection of genomic variation and increased knowledge of gene and
415 genome evolution among Asian cultivated rice and its wild progenitors have made a solid
416 foundation for searching novel gene sources from wild rice germplasm. The pan-genome
417 of these three rice species could be better resolved by sequencing extra rice genomes and
418 improving individual genomes through the recent progress in SMRT sequencing
419 technology. These advances would also enable a precise detection of small-scale
420 structural variants as well as large-scale inversion and translocation events. Considering
421 quick extinction and threatened status of the *O. rufipogon* populations in nature due to
422 severe deforestation in tropical and subtropical regions¹⁰, it is also our deep hope that the
423 genome assembly of this wild rice species and a large data set of genomic variation will
424 offer valuable resources to help efficient conservation of this precious wild rice species.

425

426 **Methods**

427 **DNA and RNA extraction, library construction and sequencing.** An individual plant
428 of *Oryza rufipogon* was collected from Yuanjiang County, Yunnan Province, China. Fresh
429 and healthy leaves were harvested and used either directly for the isolation of nuclei or
430 immediately frozen in liquid nitrogen prior to DNA extraction. All collected samples

431 were eventually stored at -80°C in the laboratory after collections. High-quality genomic
432 DNA was extracted from leaves using a modified CTAB method⁴⁰. The quantity and
433 quality of the extracted DNA were examined using a NanoDrop D-1000
434 spectrophotometer (NanoDrop Technologies, Wilmington, DE) and electrophoresis on a
435 0.8% agarose gel, respectively. Single-molecule long reads from the PacBio RS II
436 platform (Pacific Biosciences, USA) were used to assist the subsequent *de novo* genome
437 assembly. In brief, 20 μg of sheared DNA was used to construct three SMRT Bell
438 libraries with an insert size of 20 kb. The libraries were then sequenced in ten
439 single-molecule real time DNA sequencing cells using the P6 polymerase/C4 chemistry
440 combination, and a data collection time of 240 min per cell. A $10\times$ Genomics library
441 was prepared using the GemCode Instrument and sequenced on the Illumina NovaSeq
442 platform. The Hi-C library was constructed according to a published method⁴¹. Nuclear
443 DNA was cross-linked *in situ*, and then cut with restriction enzyme. The sticky ends of
444 these fragments were biotinylated and then ligated to each other. After ligation, the
445 biotinylated fragments were enriched and sheared again for the preparation of sequencing
446 library. Finally, the library was sequenced on Illumina HiSeq X Ten platform. Besides,
447 we constructed the four libraries for 30-d-roots, 30-d-shoots, panicles at booting stage
448 and flag leaves at booting stage, which were sequenced on Illumina platform and *de novo*
449 assembled⁴².

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451 ***De novo* genome assembly and quality assessment.** The assembly of PacBio long reads
452 was performed using FALCON (version 0.3.0)¹⁷ with the following parameters:
453 genome_size = 380000000, seed_coverage = 30, length_cutoff_pr = 5000, and max_diff
454 = 100, max_cov = 100. This consisted of six steps involving (1) raw reads overlapping;
455 (2) pre-assembly and error correction; (3) overlapping detection of the error-corrected
456 reads; (4) overlap filtering; (5) constructing graph; and (6) constructing contig. These
457 processes produced the initial contigs. The assembly was then phased using
458 FALCON-Unzip¹⁷ with default parameters. Two subsets of contigs were generated,
459 including the primary contigs (p-contigs) and the haplotigs, which represent divergent
460 haplotypes in the genome. The assemblies were aligned to the NCBI nonredundant
461 nucleotide (nt) database to remove potential contamination from microorganisms using

462 BLASTN. Contigs with more than 90% length similar to bacterial sequences were
463 removed. Both p-contigs and haplotigs were polished as follows: firstly, quiver in SMRT
464 Analysis (version 2.3.0)⁴³ was used for genome polishing using PacBio data with a
465 minimum subread length = 3000 bp and minimum polymerase read quality = 0.8. Next,
466 the Illumina data from short libraries (≤ 500 bp) were aligned to the polished assembly
467 using BWA (version 0.7.15)⁴⁴ with default parameters, and then, Pilon (version 1.18)⁴⁵
468 was used for sequence assembly refinement based upon these alignments. The parameters
469 for pilon were modified as followed: --flank 7, --K 49, and --mindepth 15. Only the
470 primary contigs were used for further scaffolding. To link these contigs into scaffolds, 10
471 \times Genomics data were first mapped to the assembly using BWA-MEM⁴⁶, the resulting
472 files were sorted and merged into one BAM file using samtools (version 1.9.0)⁴⁷. The
473 barcoding information contained in 10x linked reads was used by fragScaff⁴⁸. The 10X
474 Genomics scaffolds were further scaffolded using Hi-C data. Briefly, Hi-C read pairs
475 were aligned to the scaffolds using BWA MEM algorithm. Then Lachesis¹⁸ was used to
476 assign the orientation and order of each sequence with the cluster number set to 12 and
477 other parameters as default. Manual review and refinement were performed to remove the
478 potential errors. The gaps distributed among the pseudo-chromosome were filled with the
479 PacBio raw reads using PBJelly2¹⁹ with parameter settings “-minMatch 8 -minPctIdentity
480 70 -bestn 1 -nCandidates 20 -maxScore -500 -nproc 10 -noSplitSubreads”. The assembly
481 was subject to two rounds of Pilon (version 1.18)⁴⁵ polishing to remove the sequencing
482 errors.

483 Haplotype variation was detected using MUMER package (version 3.23)²¹. The
484 error-free haplotigs were aligned to the final assembly using nucmer (version 3.23) with
485 the parameter: -maxmatch -l 100 -c 500. The program show-snp in the MUMER package
486 was used to identify the SNPs and indels with the options -Clr -x 1 -T. A homemade
487 script was used to convert the output into vcf format. Variants with a length of ≤ 10 bp
488 were identified as small variants. Variants larger than 10 bp were identified using
489 Assemblytics²².

490 Four approaches were used to evaluate the quality of *O. rufipogon* genome assembly.
491 First, we mapped clean sequencing reads ($\sim 87\times$) from short-insert size libraries back to
492 the assembly using BWA (version 0.7.15)⁴⁴ with default parameters. Second, All genomic

493 and protein sequences publicly available in NCBI database (as of January, 2018) were
494 downloaded and aligned against the genome assembly using GMAP (version
495 2014-10-22)⁴⁹ and genBlastA (version 1.0.1)⁵⁰, respectively. Third, RNA sequencing
496 reads generated in this study were assembled into transcripts using Trinity (version
497 v2.0.6)⁵¹ with the default parameters except that the min_kmer_cov option was 2, which
498 were then aligned back to our genome assembly using GMAP (version 2014-10-22)⁴⁹.
499 Finally, the completeness of the assembly was assessed with benchmarking universal
500 single-copy orthologs (BUSCO)²³ collected from Embryophyta lineage.

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502 **Genome annotation.** Repetitive sequences of *O. rufipogon* genome assembly were
503 masked prior to gene prediction. A combined strategy that integrates *ab initio*, protein and
504 EST evidences were adopted to predict the protein-coding genes of *O. rufipogon*.
505 Augustus (version 3.0.3)⁵², GlimmerHMM (version 3.0.3)⁵³ and GeneMarkHMM
506 (version 3.47)⁵⁴ were used to detect the potential gene coding regions within *O. rufipogon*
507 genome. The protein sequences from *O. sativa* ssp. *japonica* cv. *Nipponbare*, *O. nivara*,
508 *O. glaberrima*, *O. barthii*, *O. glumaepatula*, *O. longistaminata*, *O. meridionalis*, *O.*
509 *brachyantha*, *Zea mays*, *Sorghum bicolor*, and *Brachypodium distachyon* were aligned to
510 *O. rufipogon* genome assembly using GenBlastA (version 1.0.1)⁵⁰ and further refined by
511 GeneWise (version 2.2.0)⁵⁵. RNA-seq reads were first assembled into transcripts using
512 Trinity (version 2.0.6)⁵¹, and then aligned to the genome assembly using PASA (Program
513 to Assemble Spliced Alignments)⁵⁶ to determine the potential gene structures.
514 EVIDENCEModeler (EVM)⁵⁷ was used to combine all the predicted results from *ab initio*,
515 protein and EST evidences into consensus gene predictions. We filtered out gene models
516 with their peptide lengths ≤ 50 aa and/or harboring stop codons to obtain the final gene
517 predictions of the *O. rufipogon* genome. We aligned the protein sequences of *O. sativa*
518 ssp. *japonica* cv. *Nipponbare* and the RNA-seq data of *O. rufipogon* generated in this
519 study to assess the quality of gene prediction. Putative functions of the predicted genes
520 were assigned using InterProScan (version 5.3)⁵⁸. PFAM domains and Gene Ontology
521 IDs for each gene were directly retrieved from the corresponding InterPro entries.

522 Five types of noncoding RNA genes, including miRNA, tRNA, rRNA, snoRNA and
523 snRNA genes, were predicted using *de novo* and/or homology search methods¹⁶.

524 Transposable element (TE) were annotated by integrating RepeatMasker
525 (www.repeatmasker.org), LTR_STRUCTURE⁵⁹, RECON⁶⁰, and LTR_Finder⁶¹. Simple
526 sequence repeat (SSR) within *O. rufipogon* genome was identified using microsatellite
527 identification tool (MISA)⁶². The minimum numbers of SSR motifs were 12, 6, 4, 3, 3
528 and 3 for mono-, di-, tri-, tetra-, penta- and hexa-nucleotides, respectively.

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530 **Gene family clustering and evolutionary analyses.** OrthoMCL pipeline (version
531 2.0.9)⁶³ was used to identify gene families among *O. rufipogon*, *O. sativa*, and *O. nivara*.
532 First, protein sequences of *O. sativa* and *O. nivara* were separately downloaded from
533 MSU Rice Genome Annotation Project Database (<http://rice.plantbiology.msu.edu>) and
534 *Oryza* AA Genomes Database¹⁶. For genes with alternative splicing, only the longest
535 isoforms were used. Second, the filtered protein sequences from these three species were
536 compared using all-vs-all Blastp with an E-value of 1E-5. Finally, the gene families
537 among *O. rufipogon*, *O. sativa* and *O. nivara* were clustered using a Markov cluster
538 algorithm (MCL) with an inflation parameter of 1.5.

539 According to the presence and absence of genes for a given species, the
540 species-specific gene families were retrieved and classified. An update version of CAFE
541 (version 3.1)⁶⁴ implemented with the likelihood model was used to examine the dynamic
542 evolution of gene families (expansions/contractions). Functional enrichment analysis for
543 genes with expansion, contraction or species-specific was performed using Fisher's exact
544 test with false discovery rate (FDR) corrections. PFAM domains or GO terms for each
545 gene used in functional enrichment analyses were directly extracted from the
546 InterproScan entries.

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548 **Phylogenetic analyses.** The orthologous and/or closely paralogous gene families among
549 *O. rufipogon*, *O. sativa*, *O. nivara* and *O. meridionalis* were constructed using
550 OrthoMCL pipeline (version 2.0.9)⁶³. For these gene families, only those with exactly
551 one copy within each species were retrieved and defined as conserved single-copy gene
552 families for subsequent phylogenetic tree construction. RAxML package (version
553 8.1.13)⁶⁵ was used to resolve the phylogenetic relationships among these four rice species.
554 Briefly, the coding sequences from the identified single-copy gene families were multiply

555 aligned using MUSCLE (version 3.8.31)⁶⁶ and concatenated to a super gene sequence for
556 phylogenetic analyses. All alignments were further trimmed using TrimAl (version 1.4)⁶⁷
557 with the ‘-nogaps’ option. The JmodelTest (version 2.1.7)⁶⁸ was used to determine the
558 best substitution models for phylogenetic reconstruction. Phylogenetic tree among *O.*
559 *rufipogon*, *O. sativa*, *O. nivara* and *O. meridionalis* was finally constructed using
560 RAxML package (version 8.1.13)⁶⁵ based on the GTR+GAMMA model using *O.*
561 *meridionalis* as an outgroup. Bootstrap support values were calculated from 1,000
562 iterations. Divergence times among these species were estimated using the “*mcmctree*”
563 program implemented in the PAML package⁶⁹.

564

565 **R-gene identification and classification.** Identification of *R*-genes within *O. rufipogon*
566 genome was performed using a reiterative method¹⁶. Briefly, the protein sequences of *O.*
567 *rufipogon* were first aligned against the raw Hidden Markov Model (HMM) of NB-ARC
568 family (PF00931) using HMMER (version 3.1b1)⁷⁰ with default parameters. High-quality
569 hits with an E-value of $\leq 1E-60$ were retrieved and self-aligned using MUSCLE (version
570 3.8.31)⁶⁶ to construct the *O. rufipogon*-specific NBS HMMs. Based on this *O.*
571 *rufipogon*-specific HMMs, scanning the whole *O. rufipogon* proteome was conducted
572 again and genes with the *O. rufipogon*-specific PF00931 domain were defined as *R*-genes.
573 The identified *R*-genes were further classified by TIR domain (PF01582) and LRR
574 domain (PF00560, PF07725, PF12799, PF13306, PF13516, PF13504 and PF13855).
575 These two types of PFAM domains could be detected using HMMER (version 3.1b1)⁷⁰.
576 CC domains within *R*-genes were identified using ncoils⁷¹ with the default parameters.

577

578 **Multi-species comparative analysis.** We performed a multi-species comparative analysis
579 of the RUF, NIV and SAT genomes using a similar method as described in the building of
580 the soybean pan-genome³⁷. Firstly, we separately aligned the RUF and NIV genomes
581 against the SAT genome using “*Nucmer*” program (version 3.1) implemented in the
582 MUMmer package (version 3.23)²¹ with the parameters of “-maxmatch -c 100 -l 40”. We
583 then mapped the NIV genome onto the RUF genome using MUMmer package with the
584 parameters of “-maxmatch -c 100 -l 40”. Secondly, we processed the above-generated
585 results from whole genome alignments (WGA) among the RUF, NIV and SAT genomes

586 using program of “*dnadiff*” (version 1.3) implemented in the MUMmer package²¹ to
587 obtain more high-quality alignment results. Finally, we performed a tri-genome
588 comparisons among the RUF, NIV and SAT genomes based on their pairwise WGA
589 results using a customized perl script. The core-genome was defined as the most
590 conserved genomic regions shared among the RUF, NIV and SAT genomes.

591

592 **SNP and InDel identification.** Homozygous SNPs and small InDels of the RUF and
593 NIV genomes were directly extracted from the previous one-to-one whole genome
594 alignments (WGA) using the SAT genome as a reference sequence, respectively. We then
595 separately detected SNPs and small InDels of the RUF and NIV genomes using GATK
596 (version 3.5)⁷² based on the short read alignment results against their own genomes. We
597 combined the results from both WGA and GATK methods to obtain the final datasets of
598 genomic variation. We generated the SNPs and small InDels of the SAT genome based on
599 its short reads alignment result. Putative functional effects of SNPs and InDels were
600 annotated using the ANNOVAR package⁷³. SNPs/InDels causing stop codon gain, stop
601 codon loss and frameshift were defined as large-effect mutations.

602

603 **Copy Number Variation (CNV) identification.** We identified the CNVs between RUF
604 and SAT as well as NIV and SAT using CNVnator (version 0.3)⁷⁴ based on the read depth.
605 The parameter used for CNVnator is “-call 100”. The deletions/insertions with minimal
606 length of 500 bp and read depth less than 1.2 or larger than 1.8 of the mean genomic
607 depth are deemed as candidate CNVs. A custom script was used to perform CNV
608 annotation and genes with more than 80% of its exons in CNV region are considered as
609 candidate genes affected by CNVs.

610

611 **Presence and Absence Variation (PAV) identification.** We characterized genomic
612 presence and absence variation (PAV) using the same method as described in the soybean
613 pan-genome analysis³⁷. In this study, we defined and assigned four types of PAV: RS10
614 (presence in RUF but absence in SAT), RS01 (presence in SAT but absence in RUF),
615 NS10 (presence in NIV but absence in SAT) and NS01 (presence in SAT but absence in
616 NIV). To identify PAVs between the SAT and RUF genomes, we first extracted the

617 sequences that could not be aligned to the SAT genome. We then realigned them to the
618 SAT genome and SMRT sequences from the *indica* genome using BLAST⁷⁵, and finally
619 filtered sequence stretches with an identity larger than 95%. RUF-specific sequences
620 were obtained after excluding the potential bacterial contamination based on the BLAST
621 alignment against NT database. Genes with > 50% CDS regions covered by RUF-specific
622 sequences were defined as RUF-specific genes. Based on the short reads alignment
623 results, blocks with no mapped reads by RUF were defined as SAT-specific sequences.
624 Genomic regions with distance less than 500 bp were merged into one block. Genes that
625 overlapped these blocks with 50% length were considered as SAT-specific sequences.
626 The same process was used to identify the PAVs between the SAT and NIV genome.

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628 **Positively Selected Gene (PSG) identification.** We employed the optimized branch-site
629 model implemented in the PAML package (version 4.4)⁶⁹ to estimate the selection
630 pressures on protein-coding genes from 1:1 high-quality orthologous gene families. We
631 identified genes showing the positive selection in RUF, NIV and SAT lineage based on
632 the likelihood ratio test (LTR) *P*-value. Genes with the *P*-value < 0.01 (FDR < 0.05) were
633 retained and regarded as PSGs.

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635 **Data availability**

636 Raw nucleotide sequence data are available in the NCBI sequence read archive database
637 (BioProject PRJNA599011) under the accession number SRPXXXXX. The draft genome
638 has deposited in the NCBI whole-genome shotgun database (BioProject PRJNA599011)
639 under the submission number XXXXXX (released upon article acceptance).

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856 **Tables**

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858 **Table 1. Summary of the genome assembly and annotation of *O. rufipogon*.**

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Assembly	
SMRT Sequencing Depth (×)	102.3
10X Sequencing Depth (×)	103.0
Hi-C Sequencing Depth (×)	269.0
Estimated genome size (Mb)	388.0
Assembled sequence length (Mb)	380.51
Scaffold N50 (Mb)	30.20
Contig N50 (Kb)	1,096.43

Annotation	
Number of predicted protein-coding genes	34,830
Average gene length (bp)	2,921
tRNAs	637
rRNAs	1,085
snoRNAs	442
snRNAs	117
miRNAs	245
Transposable elements (%)	44.14

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863 **Figure legends**

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865 **Figure 1. Genome feature and genomic variation of *O. rufipogon*.** The outer circle
866 represents the 12 chromosomes of *O. sativa*, along with the gene density
867 (non-overlapping, window size = 500 Kb). Moving inward, the four circles with line plot
868 refer to the SNP, InDel, SV, and CNV distribution, respectively (non-overlapping,
869 window size = 500 Kb). *O. rufipogon* is indicated in blue, while *O. nivara* is represented
870 in red. The inner two circles plotted with heat map display the sequence similarities of
871 orthologous gene pairs between *O. sativa* and *O. rufipogon* (blue), and between *O. sativa*
872 and *O. nivara* (red).

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874 **Figure 2. Multi-species comparative analysis and genomic variation among *O.***
875 ***rufipogon*, *O. nivara* and *O. sativa*.** (A) Increase and decrease of gene numbers in pan-
876 and core- genome. (B) Sequence composition of the pan-genome among RUF, NIV and
877 SAT. (C) Exemplar patterns of single nucleotide polymorphisms on rice Chromosome 1
878 (see **Supplementary Figure 9** for the other 11 chromosomes). (D) Number of *R*-genes
879 and MADS-box genes affected by CNVs. (E) Functional enrichment of genes affected by
880 PAVs. The top 10 PFAM functional categories for each PAV type are shown. * indicates
881 the significance of FDR < 0.05, while ** means FDR < 0.01. PAV types are represented
882 in a customized format, of which RS10 indicates that a PAV is present in RUF but absent
883 in SAT, NS10 denotes that a PAV is present in NIV but absent in SAT, RS01 shows that a
884 PAV is absent in RUF but present in SAT, and NS01 signifies that a PAV is absent in RUF
885 but present in SAT.

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887 **Figure 3. Dynamic evolution of gene families.** (A) Venn diagram shows the shared and
888 unique gene families among RUF, NIV and SAT. (B) Expansion and contraction of gene
889 families among RUF, NIV, SAT and MER. Phylogenetic tree was constructed based on
890 10,206 high-quality 1:1 single-copy orthologous genes using MER as outgroup. Bar plot
891 beside or on each branch of the tree represents the number of gene families undergoing
892 gain (green) or loss (red) events. Lineage-specific and -extinct families are colored in
893 orange and light blue, respectively. Number at the tree root (23,755) denotes the total

894 number of gene families predicted in the most recent common ancestor (MRCA). The
895 numerical value below phylogenetic tree shows the estimated divergent time of each node
896 (MYA; million years ago). (C) Comparisons of disease-resistant genes among RUF, NIV
897 and SAT.

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899 **Figure 4. Natural selection on rice genes.** (A) Branch-specific ω values of RUF, SAT
900 and NIV estimated by using PAML. (B) Number of PSGs identified in RUF, SAT and
901 NIV lineage. (C) Functional enrichment of flower development and biotic stimulus
902 response-related PSGs compared with whole gene set. (D) Genome-wide distribution of
903 PSGs. The outer ring represents the 12 rice chromosomes; the four circles from the
904 perimeter to the center separately refer to the dN , dS , PSGs, and dN/dS distribution for the
905 2,053 1:1 orthologous genes. The eighteen genes functionally associated with ripening
906 (green triangles), flower development (red triangles) and reproduction (blue triangles) are
907 marked. Black points in the inner circles show the dN/dS ratios < 0.5 , while green points
908 indicate $0.5 \leq dN/dS < 0.8$, and red points present $dN/dS \geq 0.8$.







