Table 1. Background on wild-type (WT) and mutant Arabidopsis thaliana plants

Three ecotypes [Columbia (Col), Landsberg erecta (Ler), and Wassilewskija (Ws)] were used in this study. The information on chloroplast numbers, sizes, and the affected genes was obtained from Aldridge $et\ al.$ (2005), TAIR (www.arabidopsis.org), and the references cited. $nd = not\ determined.$

Plant	Ecotype	Chloroplast number/cell	Chloroplast size (µm²)	Gene locus	Role of gene product	References
WT	Col	100	50			
phot 1	Col	nd	nd	At3g45780	Blue-light receptor that mediates chloroplast movement (accumulation)	Christie, 2007
phot2	Col	nd	nd	At5g58140	Blue-light receptor that mediates chloroplast movement (accumulation and avoidance)	Christie, 2007
phot1/phot2	Col	nd	nd		See information above	Christie, 2007
arc6-4	Col	2	1000	At5g42480	DnaJ-like protein localized to the plastid division site; contributes to assembly, stabilization of the Z-ring	Isolated by authors
WT	Ler	120	50			
arc1-1	Ler	108	25	nd	Accelerates proplastid division; acts independent of arc 3, 5, 6, and 11	Marrison et al., 1999
arc11-1 = MinD	Ler	30	110	At5g24020	Stromal, Ca ²⁺ -dependent ATPase required for correct positioning of chloroplast division apparatus	Fujiwara et al., 2004
arc3-1	Ler	18	200-300	At1g75010	Stromal protein with FtsZ-like part and kinase; involved in division site placement	Maple et al., 2007
arc5-1	Ler	13	300-900	At3g19720	Cytosolic dynamin-related protein; facilitates separation of daughter chloroplasts	Gao et al., 2003
arc5-1/11-1	Ler	12	160		See above	Marrison et al., 1999
arc6-1/1-1	Ler	9	530		See above	Marrison et al., 1999
arc6-1	Ler	2	1000		See above	Vitha et al., 2003
WT	Ws	85	50			
arc7-1	Ws	80	40	nd	Involved in chloroplast development rather than division itself	Rutherford, 1996
arc8-1	Ws	45	110	nd	nd	Rutherford, 1996
arc10-1	Ws	38	170 (mix)	nd	nd	Rutherford, 1996
arc9-1	Ws	34	140	nd	nd	Rutherford, 1996
arc6-1	Ws	2	1000		See above	Vitha et al., 2003