**Supplementary table 1- Oligonucleotide sequences used in the present study.**

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| Genes | Forward sequences | Reverse sequence | | |
| *dcr 1* | GGAGATTGAAGCTACTGAGAC | | TCTGGCAGACACTATTTACAAC |
| *dcr 2* | GAGGGAGGCAACCAACTATC | | TTAGAAACCACCTCGTCCTTG |
| *ago-1* | CCATGGCTGCAGTGTCAGTA | | AAACACCATCGCGGAAGTAGT |
| *ago-2* | CGACTATTTCAGACGCACATAT | | GGGTTAAGCTTAGCATTTGCC |
| *Act* | CGTCCTCGCCATCATGGTAT | | TCTCCATATCATCCCAGTTCG |
| *Endochitinase 42 kDA* | CATCGTTGAGTCTAGGCTATG | | GAGACATCCGTAAGTACCATC |
| *Cell wall glucanase (Scw4)* | CCATTCAGTACCCAAACCATAA | | CATCTTTCACATCAGCAGCAG |
| *Chitinase 3* | GCGACAGAGACGATAGATGC | | TGATGACTTGAGTGCCGGAG |
| *Hydrophobin 1* | AGTCTGCTCTGCTACTCTCC | | TGTGAAGAAGTAATCGATATCGT |