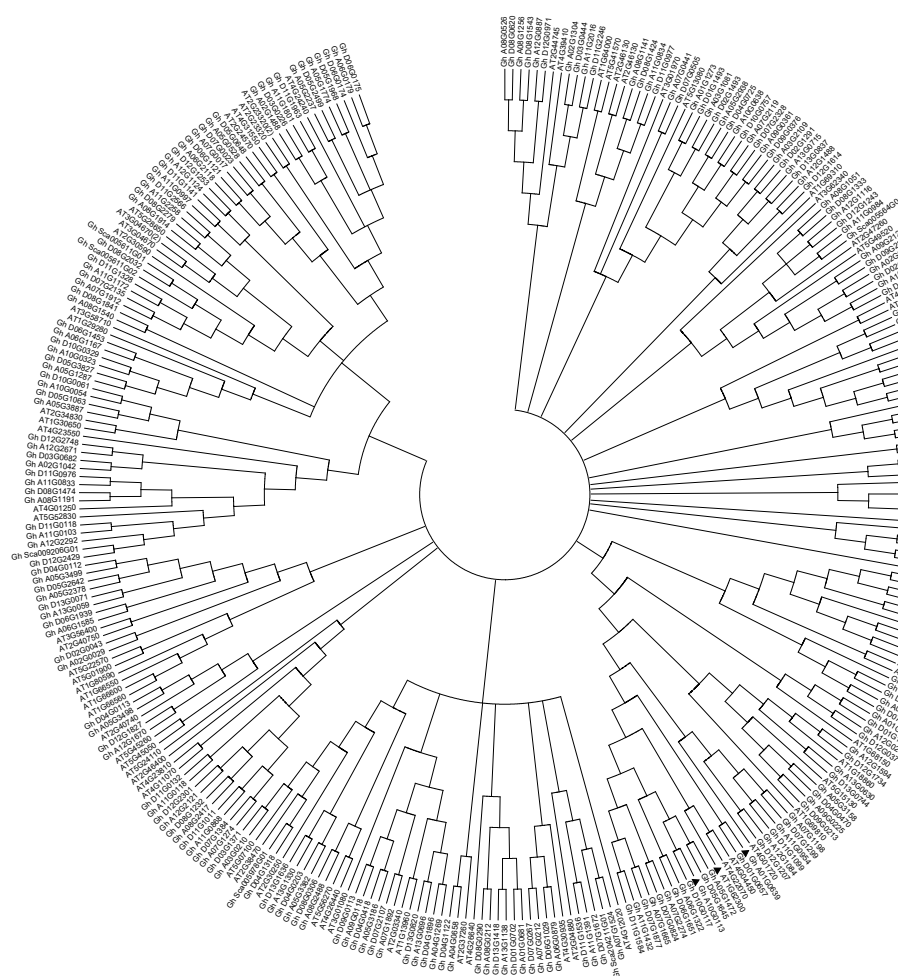
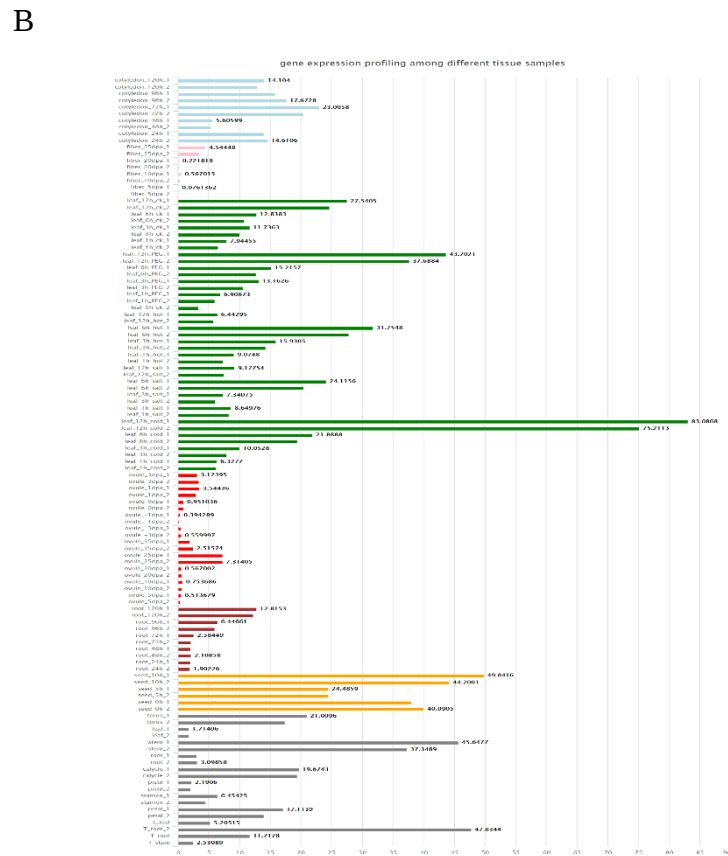
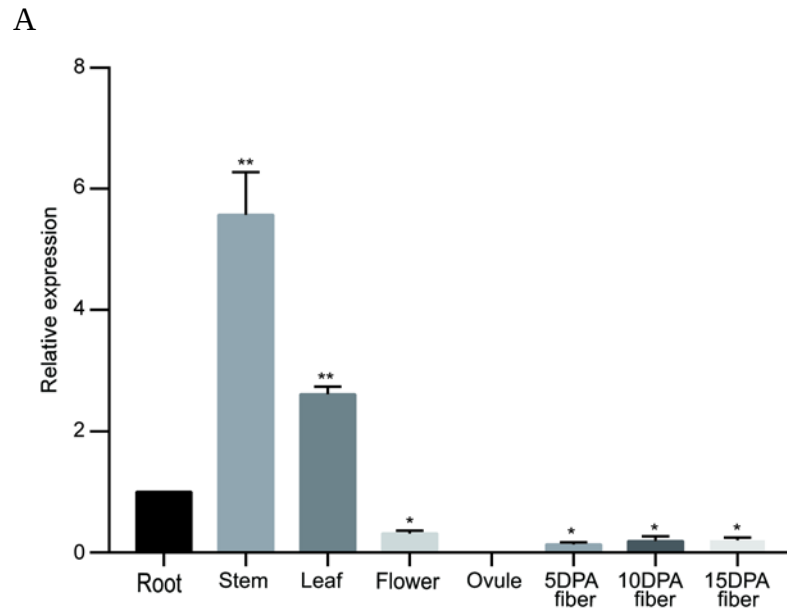


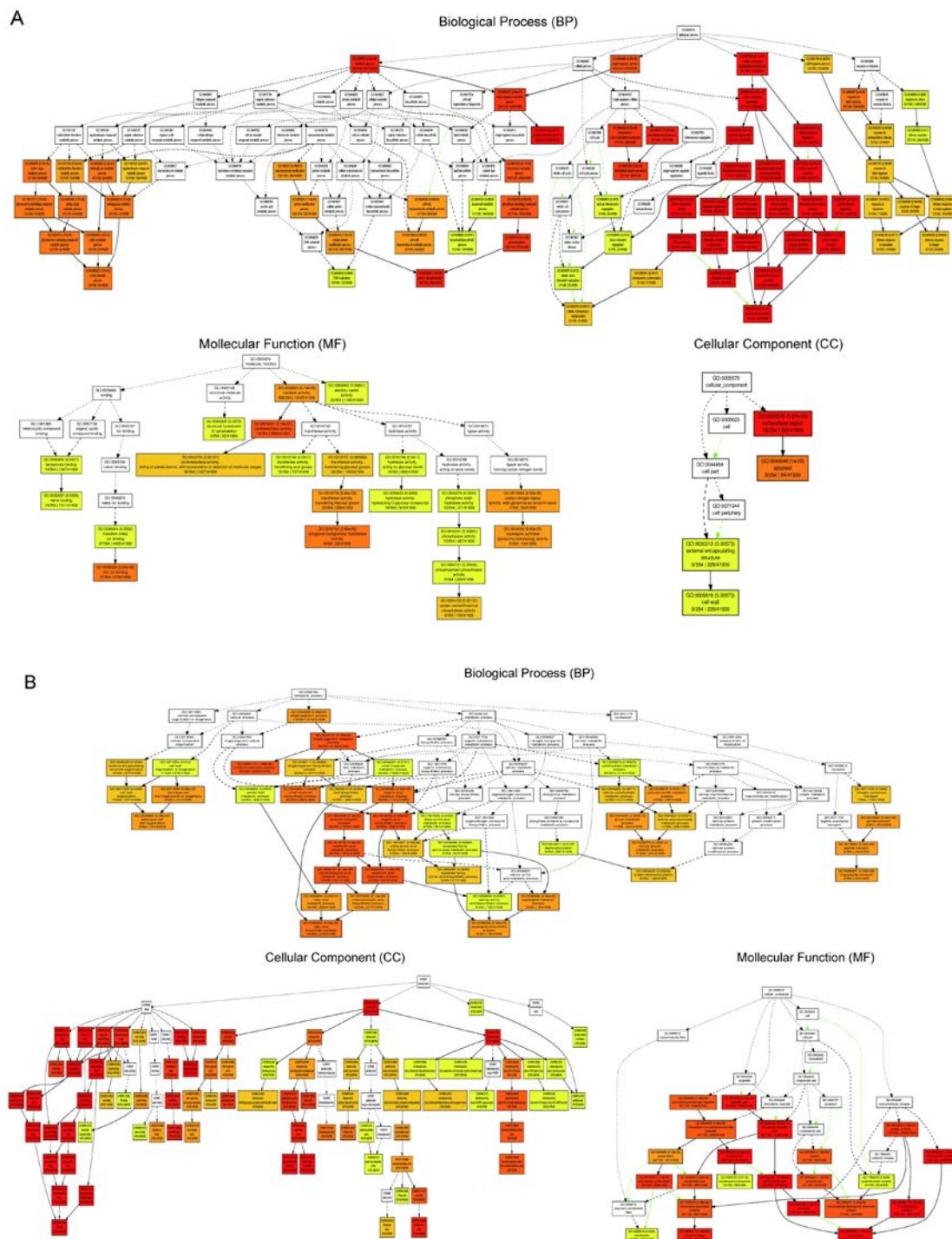
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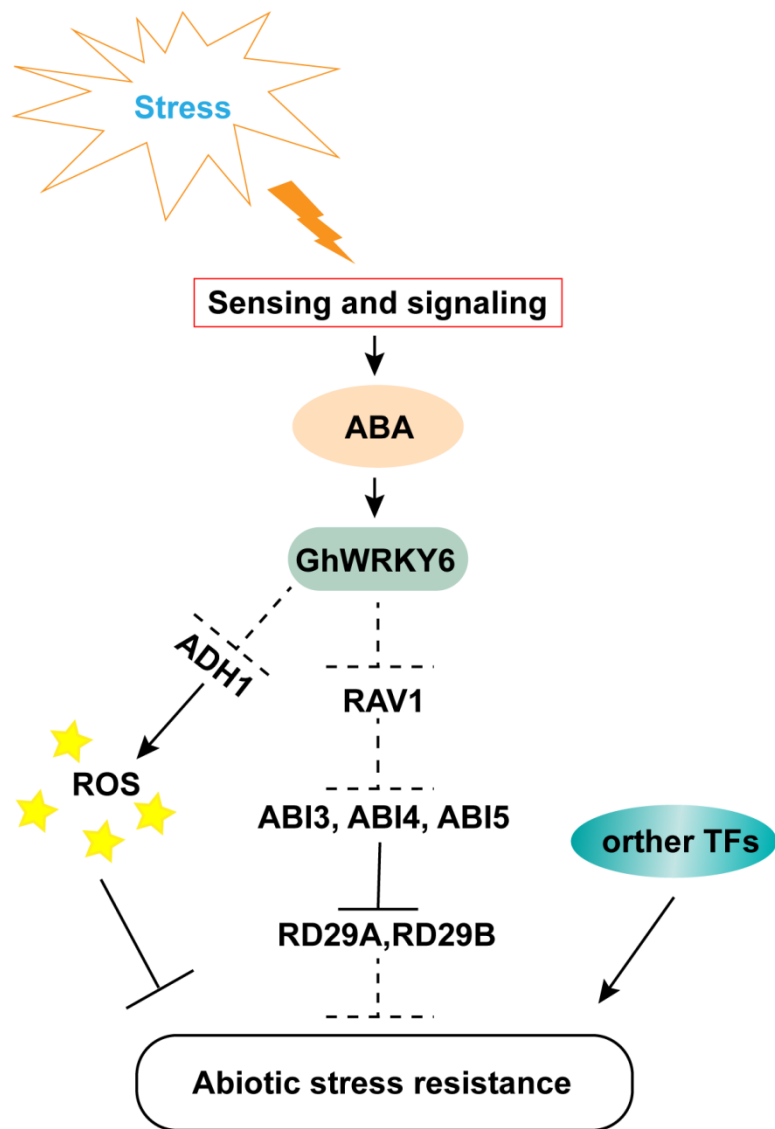
Supplementary Figure 3. Sequence alignment and phylogenetic of Gh\_A01G0639 and Gh\_A01G0639. (A) Phylogenetic analysis of the WRKY proteins from *Arabidopsis thaliana* and *Gossypium hirsutum*. Gh\_A10G0113, Gh\_A01G0639 and AT1G62300 are marked with “▲”. (B) Sequence alignment of the *GhWRKY6* protein with AtWRKY6, *GhWRKY6*-like.



Supplementary Figure 4. (A) Analysis of *GhWRKY6* expression pattern. (B) Analysis of *GhWRKY6*-like expression pattern.



Supplementary Figure 5. The graphical results of GOs. (A) the GOs results of up-regulated DEGs. (B) the GOs results of down-regulated DEGs.



Supplementary Figure 6. Hypothetical model for *GhWRKY6* function.

Supplementary Table 2. *GhWRKY6* align against the Arabidopsis proteins database using BLASTP.

|         | subject id           | Identity (%) | alignment<br>length | E value   | bit score |
|---------|----------------------|--------------|---------------------|-----------|-----------|
| GhWRKY6 | AT1G62300.1(AtWRKY6) | 46.958       | 526                 | 1.19E-116 | 359       |
| GhWRKY6 | AT4G04450.1          | 47.173       | 513                 | 2.14E-115 | 355       |
| GhWRKY6 | AT4G22070.1          | 45.81        | 537                 | 2.06E-95  | 303       |
| GhWRKY6 | AT4G01720.1          | 38.32        | 488                 | 4.57E-59  | 206       |
| GhWRKY6 | AT5G15130.1          | 36.145       | 332                 | 6.82E-47  | 173       |
| GhWRKY6 | AT1G68150.1          | 74.49        | 98                  | 8.59E-46  | 166       |
| GhWRKY6 | AT1G18860.1          | 61.589       | 151                 | 6.11E-42  | 157       |
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| GhWRKY6 | AT2G25000.1          | 51.948       | 77                  | 2.02E-22  | 97.8      |
| GhWRKY6 | AT5G26170.1          | 55.128       | 78                  | 2.41E-22  | 100       |
| GhWRKY6 | AT5G49520.1          | 51.667       | 60                  | 1.62E-12  | 69.7      |
| GhWRKY6 | AT5G07100.1          | 53.247       | 77                  | 2.81E-22  | 97.8      |
| GhWRKY6 | AT5G07100.2          | 55.128       | 78                  | 3.08E-22  | 100       |
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|         |             |        |     |          |      |
|---------|-------------|--------|-----|----------|------|
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| GhWRKY6 | AT1G30650.1 | 47.561 | 82  | 3.75E-20 | 93.2 |
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| GhWRKY6 | AT3G58710.2 | 51.316 | 76  | 4.37E-20 | 87.4 |
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| GhWRKY6 | AT3G04670.1 | 51.429 | 70  | 3.36E-19 | 87.8 |
| GhWRKY6 | AT4G39410.1 | 46.067 | 89  | 4.47E-19 | 87.8 |
| GhWRKY6 | AT2G24570.1 | 48.101 | 79  | 4.89E-19 | 90.1 |
| GhWRKY6 | AT4G23550.1 | 57.627 | 59  | 5.64E-19 | 88.2 |
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| GhWRKY6 | AT5G52830.1 | 52.857 | 70  | 1.62E-18 | 86.3 |
| GhWRKY6 | AT2G37260.2 | 52.857 | 70  | 1.65E-18 | 85.9 |
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| GhWRKY6 | AT5G45050.2 | 45.161 | 93  | 2.92E-18 | 87.4 |
| GhWRKY6 | AT2G21900.1 | 42.045 | 88  | 5.67E-18 | 85.1 |
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| GhWRKY6 | AT5G43290.1 | 48.684 | 76  | 8.48E-18 | 84.3 |
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