

Figure S1. Overview of root tip anatomy of *katanin1* mutants after fixation, clearing and staining with **Lugol solution.** (**A-D**) Structure of root cap and distribution of starch grains in columella cells in Col-0 (**A**), *fra2* mutant (**B**), *lue1* mutant (**C**) and *ktn1-2* mutant (**D**). Bar: (**A-D**) 500 μm.

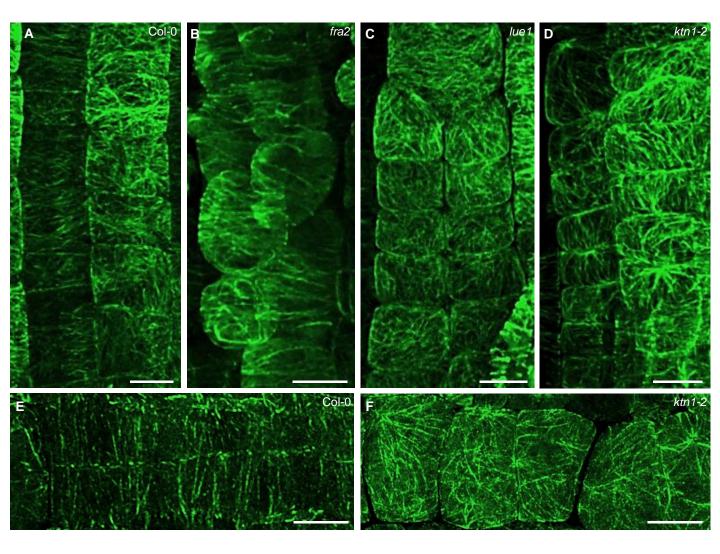


Figure S2. Whole mount immunofluorescence localization of cortical microtubules in root epidermal cells of *Arabidopsis* wild type Col-0 and *katanin1* mutants. (A-D) Group of root epidermal cells showing predominantly transverse and parallel organization of cortical microtubules in wild type Col-0 (A), less ordered transverse pattern of orientation in *fra2* (B) and more random non-regular orientations in *lue1* (C) and *ktn1-2* (D) mutants. (E-F) Cortical microtubules transversely oriented in wild type Col-0 (E) and randomly oriented in *ktn1-2* mutant (F) with respect to the root axis (in left-to-right direction). Microtubules in fixed samples were immunolocalized using anti- α tubulin primary and Alexa Fluor 488-conjugated secondary antibodies. Bar: (A-D) 10 µm; (E-F) 5 µm.

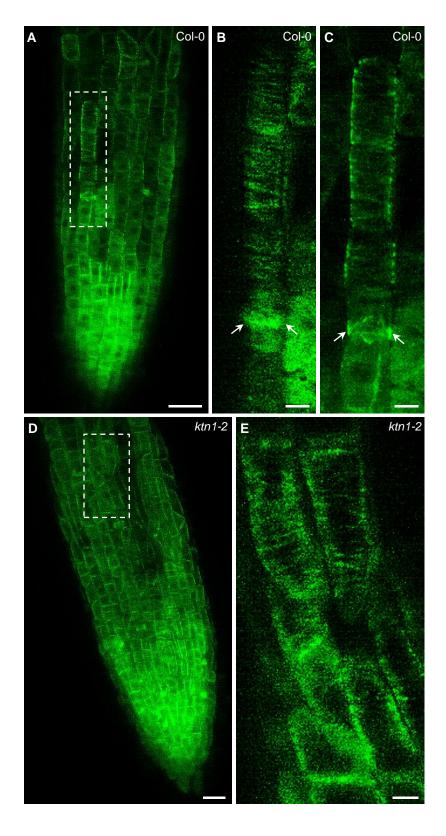


Figure S3. Visualization of epidermis and lateral root cap in primary root of wild type Col-0 and *ktn1-*2 mutant plants stably carrying a GFP-TUA6 microtubule marker using light-sheet microscopy. (A-C) Microtubules in surface root cell layers of Col-0. Boxed area in (A) depicts lateral root cap cells showing cortical microtubules and PPB (arrows) in superficial (B) and median (C) optical sections. (D-E) Microtubules in surface root cell layers of *ktn1-2* mutant. Boxed area in (D) depicts lateral root cap cells showing cortical microtubules from individual optical sections (E). Bar: (A,D) 20 μ m; (B,C,E) 5 μ m.

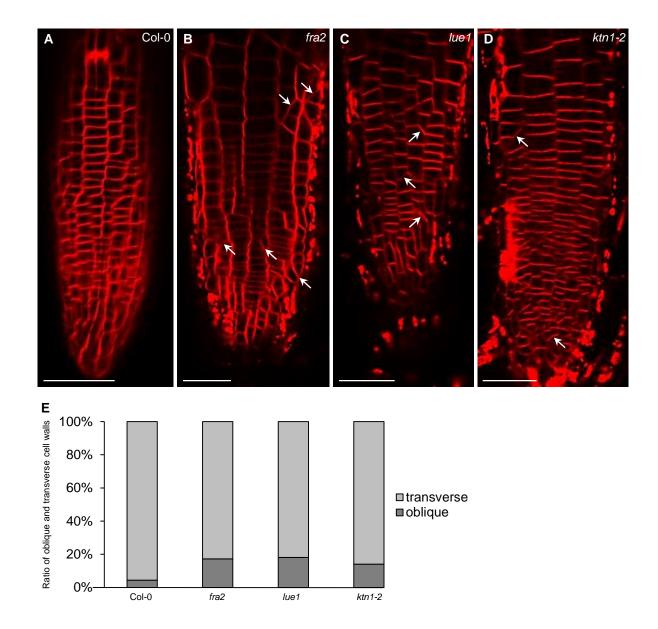


Figure S4. Cell division plane orientation in root epidermis of Col-0 and *katanin1* mutants stained with FM4-64. (A) Root epidermal cells of Col-0 seedlings showing a regular patterning. (B-D) Appearance of oblique cell divisions (arrows) in the root epidermis of *fra2* mutant (B), *lue1* mutant (C) and *ktn1-2* mutant (D) primary root. (E) Quantitative evaluation of oblique cell wall occurrence in epidermal cells of primary roots of Col-0 (n = 1273 cell walls), *fra2* (n = 1330 cell walls), *lue1* (n = 1321 cell walls) and *ktn1-2* (n = 1396 cell walls) mutants. Bars: (A-D) 50 µm.

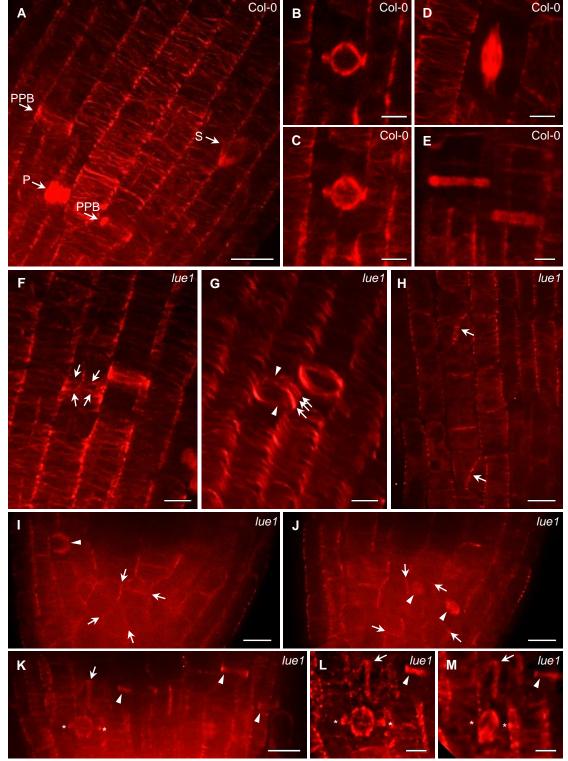


Figure S5. Structural organization of microtubules in cells of the root apex in *lue1* **mutants stably expressing a cauliflower mosaic virus 35S promoter–driven mCherry fusion of the TUA5 (***35S::mCherry:TUA5***).** (**A-E**) Expression of mCherry labelled TUA5 in transgenic Col-0 plants showing control root phenotype. Overview of microtubules in dividing and non-dividing root meristematic cells. Highlighted are microtubules of PPB (**A-C**), mitotic spindle (**S; A,D**) and phragmoplast (**P; A,E**) in dividing cells. Note the perpendicular orientation of PPB and phragmoplasts, and parallel orientation of mitotic spindles to the longitudinal root axis. (**F-M**) Expression of mCherry labelled TUA5 in transgenic *lue1* plants with short root phenotype. (**F,G**) Disorganized arrangement and orientation of microtubules in PPB in transgenic *lue1* plants. Microtubules had loosened organization and non-parallel mirotubules were present (arrows; **F**). The structure of PPB was not complete (arrowheads; **G**) and it contained several individual rings (arrows; **G**). (**H**) Presence of oblique and shifted cross cell walls. (**I,J**) Microtubules in central columella cells of the root cap in transgenic *lue1* plants. Positions of abnormally shifted cell division planes are indicated by arrows (**I,J**). Arrowheads indicate phragmoplast in anticlinal cell division (**I**) and shifted mitotic spindles (**J**). (**K-M**) Presence of tilted and abnormally positioned PPB in meristematic cell (arrow) in transgenic *lue1* plants. Arrowheads indicate normally oriented PPBs (**K-M**). Asterisks indicate progression of the cell division from early prophase (**K,L**) to metaphase (**M**). Bars: (**B-E,L,M**) 5 μm; (**A,F-K**) 10 μm.

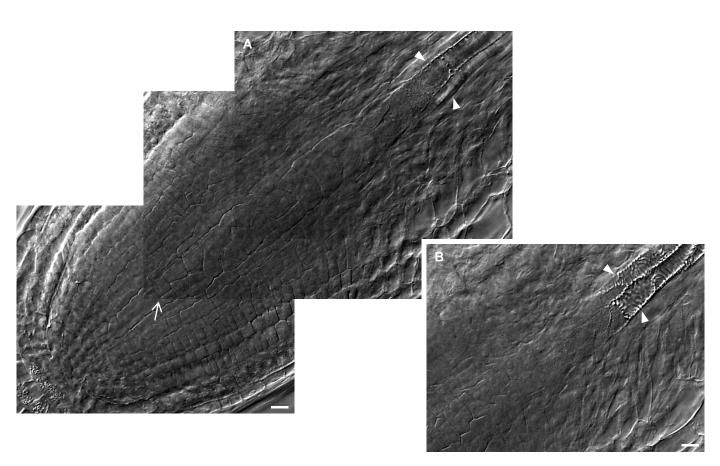


Figure S6. Cell lineage of procambium cell file and differentiation of protoxylem files in the apex of primary root of *ktn1-2* mutant. Sample from the clearing preparation showing duplication of protoxylem files (A,B, arrowheads). Cell file in the procambium contains cells with abnormal size, shape and position. Abnormal ectopic T-shaped longitudinal cell division is indicated by arrow (A). Bars: 10 µm.

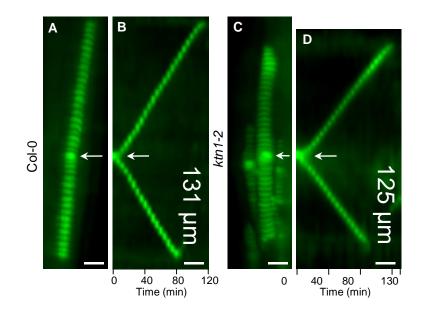


Figure S7. Progression of one representative longitudinal cell division in the central cylinder at the region of first lateral root primordium formation in Col-0 and *ktn1-2* mutant plants stably expressing a GFP-TUA6 microtubule marker. Speed of the cell divisions in Col-0 (A) and *ktn1-2* mutant (C) is visualized as time lapse maximum intensity projections (A,C) and depicted from kymographs (B,D). Arrows point to the place of early phragmoplast initiation (A-D). Distances of the margins of late phragmoplasts are indicated in pictures in μ m (B,D). Bars: (A-D) 10 μ m.