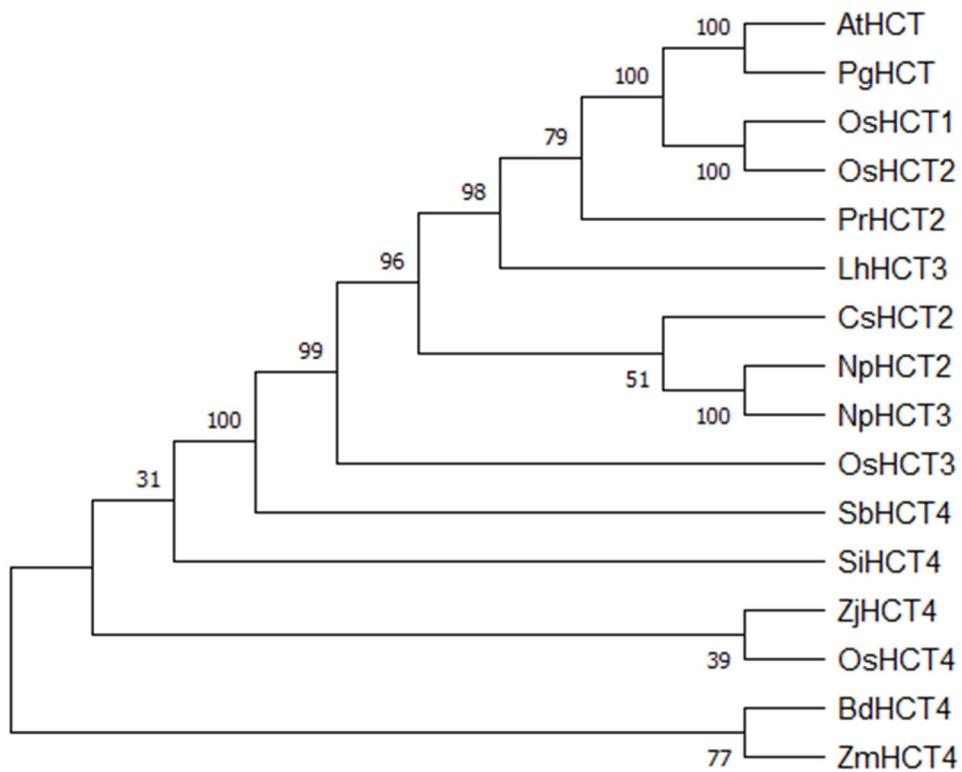
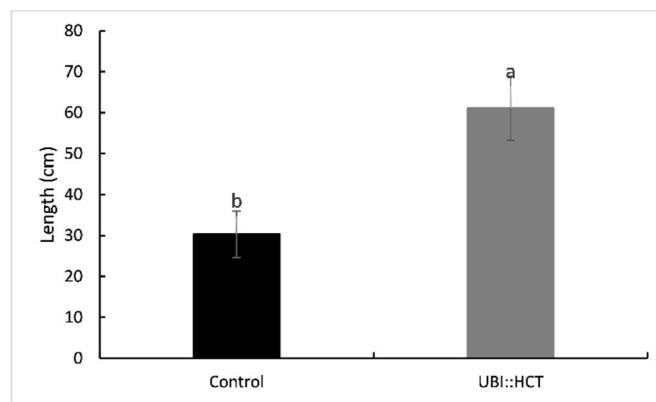


**Expression of a Hydroxycinnamoyl-CoA
Shikimate/Quinate Hydroxycinnamoyl
Transferase 4 Gene from *Zoysia japonica*
(*ZjHCT4*) Causes Excessive Elongation and Lignin
Composition Changes in *Agrostis stolonifera***

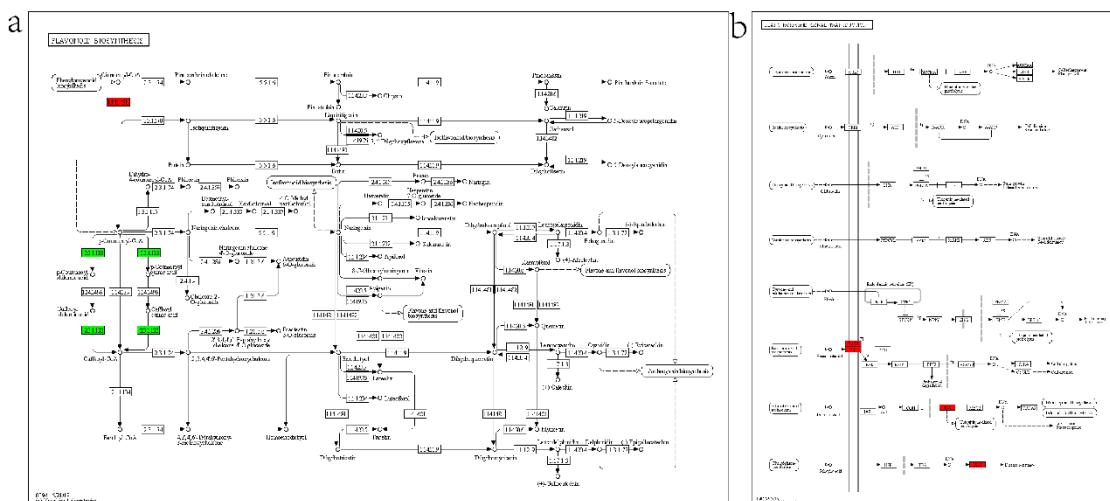
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Supplementary Figure S1. Analysis of HCTs proteins. Protein sequence accession numbers are as follows: AT5G48930.1, AtHCT, *Arabidopsis thaliana*; AZS54120.1, PgHCT, *Punica granatum*; Q0JBZ8.1, OSHCT1, *Oryza sativa*; Q6K638.1, OsHCT2, *Oryza sativa*; ASM47232.1, PrHCT2, *Parasponia rugosa*; AKN80440.1, LhHCT3, *Lonicera hypoglauca*; KAF4871374.1, CsHCT2, *Colletotrichum siamense*; AXU39903.1, NpHCT2, *Narcissus papyraceus*; AXU39904.1, NpHCT3, *Narcissus papyraceus*; Q5SMM8.1, OsHCT3, *Oryza sativa*; XP_002462397.1, SbHCT4, *Sorghum bicolor*; XP_004964652.1, SiHCT4, *Setaria italica*; Q5SMM6.1, OsHCT4, *Oryza sativa*; XP_010229918.1, BdHCT4, *Brachypodium distachyon*; PWZ06330.1 ZmHCT4, *Zea mays*.



Supplementary Figure S2. Length comparison of transgenic plants and control plants after 30 days of growth. Statistical significance of differences was assessed using the Student's t-test. Different letters above the columns indicate significant differences ($p < 0.05$, $n = 10$).



Supplementary Figure S3. KEGG pathways for DEGs in transgenic and control leaves. (a) DEGs mapped to flavonoid biosynthesis. EC:2.3.1.133, HCT; EC:1.14.14.91, trans-cinnamate 4-monoxygenase. (b) DEGs involved in plant hormone signal transduction

Supplementary Table S1. Protein sequence of HCT proteins.

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Supplementary Table S2. Primers used in the study.

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