



Corrigendum: Enhancement of RNA-directed DNA methylation of a transgene by simultaneously downregulating a *ROS1* ortholog using a virus vector in *Nicotiana benthamiana*

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We have become aware that an incorrect image was mistakenly used for **Figure 2C** in the original publication. The correct version of **Figure 2** is shown here. We should also note that the primers used for quantitative RT-PCR of the *NbROS1* gene listed in Table A1 turned out to have a sequence mismatch with the target. The mismatched nucleotides in these primers are underlined: 5'-CCAAGAAGCTGGTAGGTTAT-3' (NbROS1 real 3' F); 5'-GCAAACACCTCGTTTAACTT-3' (NbROS1 real 3' R). We found that a set of primers without sequence mismatch (5'-CCAAGAAGCTGGTAGGCTAT-3'; 5'-GCAAACACCTCGTTAACTT-3') yielded amplification products at a higher level, although both primer sets amplified a single DNA fragment and were valid for quantification, i.e., comparison of the relative level of *NbROS1* mRNA between samples.

The correct **Figure 2** with its legend appears below. The authors apologize for any inconvenience caused.

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FIGURE 2 | Gene silencing using the CMV-A1 vector. (A) Schematic representation of the vector constructs targeting the CaMV 35S promoter or the *NbROS1* coding sequence. (B) Changes in mRNA level of *NbROS1* as a consequence of infection with virus that contains the *NbROS1* insert (A1:NbROS1). The *NbROS1* mRNA level was assessed relative to the *actin* mRNA level in leaf tissues at 18 days post-inoculation (DPI). Data are the means and standard errors obtained from three replicates. Both the control and A1:NbROS1-infected plants were infected with A1:35Spro to eliminate nonspecific effects of viral infection on the mRNA level of *NbROS1*. (C) Northern blot analysis of low-molecular weight RNAs isolated from leaf tissues of plants infected with A1:NbROS1 and the control virus that lacked an insert at 14 DPI, probed for the *NbROS1* gene. Ethicium-bromide-stained 5S rRNA and tRNAs bands are shown below the panel to show that an equal amount of the small RNA fraction was loaded.