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Strikingly High Amount of Tricin-lignin Observed from Vanilla (*Vanilla planifolia*) Aerial Roots

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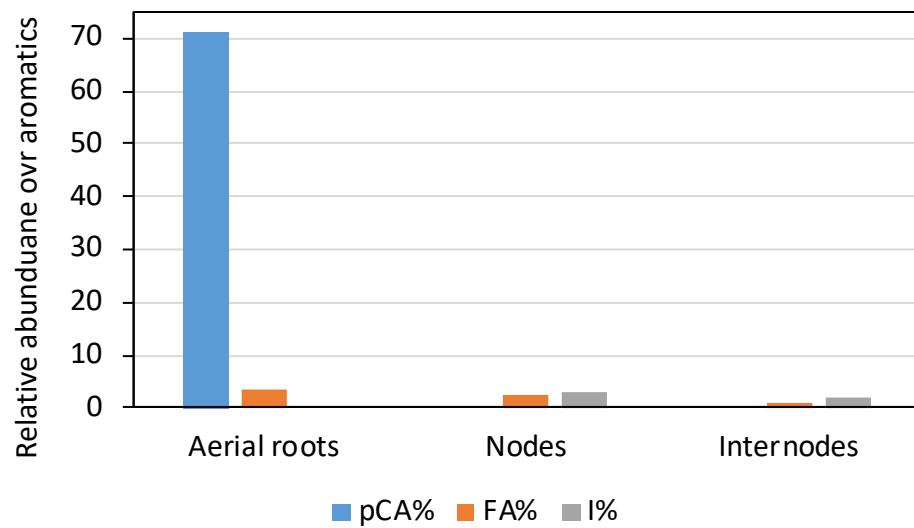


Fig. S1. ^{13}C - ^1H HSQC contour relative abundance of pCA (*p*-coumarate), FA (ferulate), and I (cinnamyl alcohol) over the total aromatics (S+G+H) of lignins isolated from aerial roots, nodes, and internodes of vanilla.

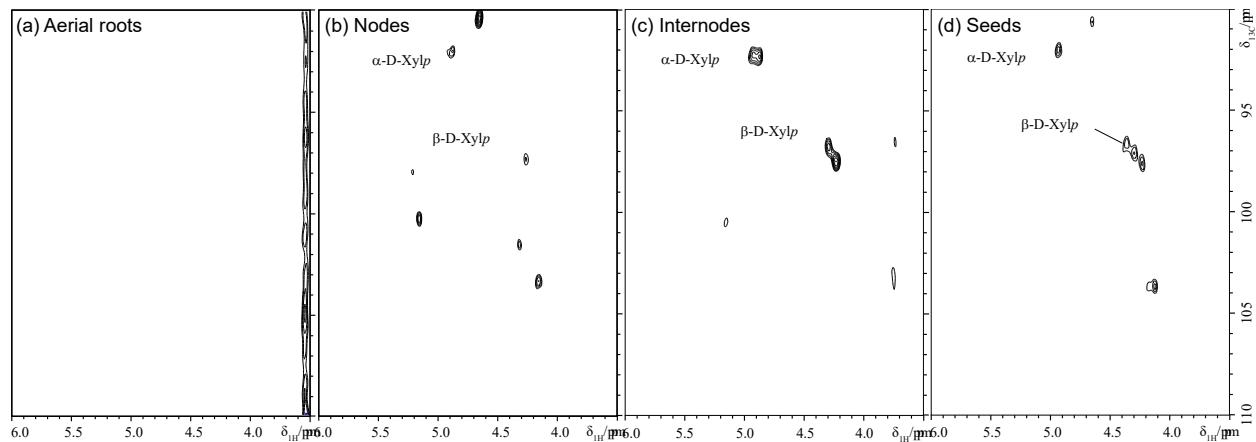


Fig. S2. ^{13}C - ^1H HSQC 2D NMR spectra revealing polysaccharide anomericities of acetylated CEL isolated from aerial roots, nodes, internodes, and seeds of vanilla. Unlabeled contours remain uncertain or unidentified.

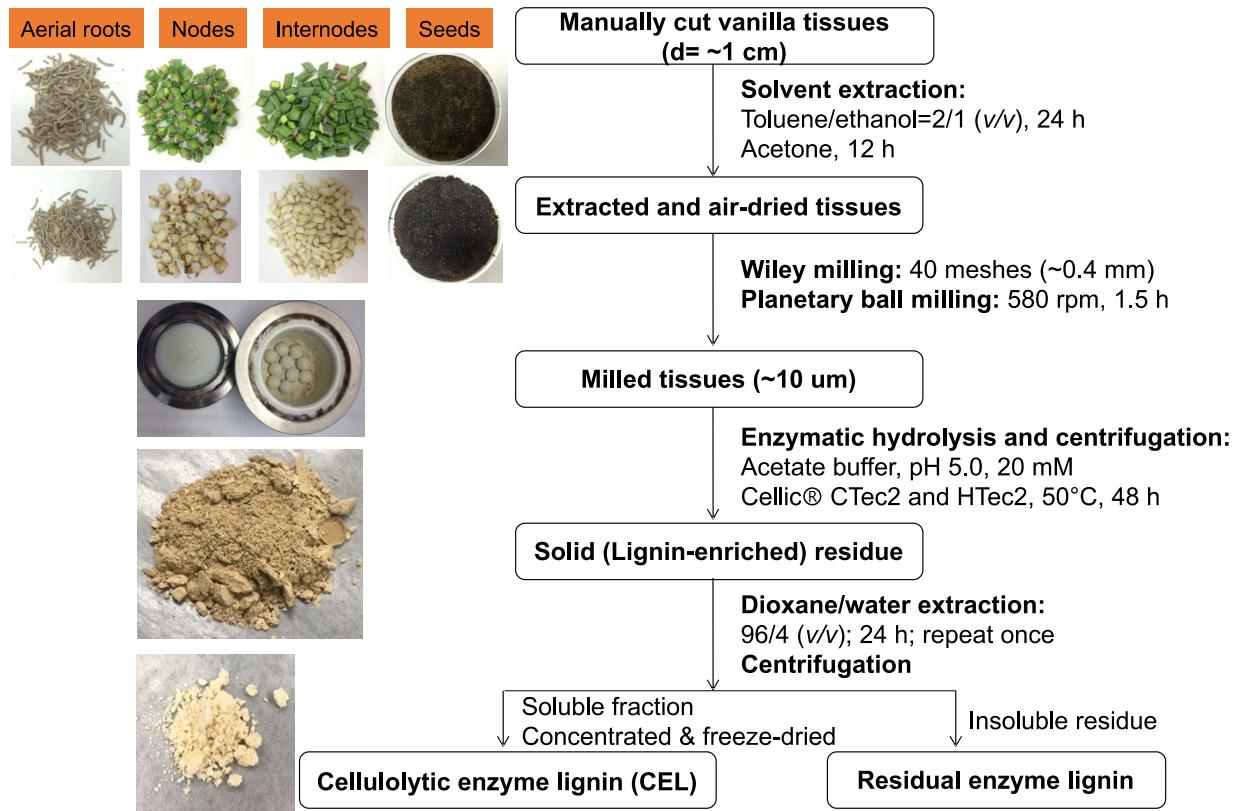


Fig. S3. Cellulolytic enzyme lignins (CEL) isolation from vanilla tissues. Inset pictures: vanilla tissues before (first row) and after (second row) solvent extraction.

Table S1 Assignments of the ^{13}C - ^1H correlation signals in the HSQC spectra of the lignins.

Labels	$\delta_{\text{C}}/\delta_{\text{H}}$ (ppm)	Assignment
B_β	53.2/3.47	C _β /H _β in β -5' phenylcoumaran substructures (B)
C_β	53.6/3.06	C _β /H _β in β - β' resinol substructures (C)
OMe	55.5/3.71	C/H in methoxyls
A_γ	59.8/3.36 & 3.58	C _γ /H _γ in normal (γ -hydroxylated) β -O-4' substructures (A)
F_β	59.5/2.78	C _β /H _β in spirodienone substructures (F)
I_γ	61.5/4.10	C _γ /H _γ in cinnamyl alcohol end-groups (I)
B_γ	62.5/3.75	C _γ /H _γ in β -5' phenylcoumaran substructures (B)
A'_γ	62.8/3.70	C _γ /H _γ in γ -acylated β -O-4' substructures (A')
C_γ	71.0/3.80 & 4.17	C _γ /H _γ in β - β' resinol substructures (C)
A_α/A'_α	71.5/4.75 & 71.9/4.89	C _α /H _α in β -O-4' substructures (A, A') -G&-S, respectively
K_α	75.1/5.22	C _α /H _α in benzodioxane (K)
K_β	75.3/4.93	C _β /H _β in benzodioxane (K)
F'_β	77.0/4.39	C _β /H _β in spirodienone substructures (F)
E_α	78.1/4.12	C _α /H _α in α , β -diaryl ether substructures (E)
F_α	81.3/5.07	C _α /H _α in spirodienone substructures (F)
A'_{β(S)}	83.6/4.33	C _β /H _β in γ -acylated β -O-4' substructures linked to an S unit (A')
D_α	83.1/4.79	C _α /H _α in 5-5' dibenzodioxocin substructures (D)
A_{β(G)}	83.6/4.31	C _β /H _β in β -O-4' substructures linked to a G unit (A)
C_α	84.9/4.66	C _α /H _α in β - β' resinol substructures (C)
A_{β(S)}	86.1/4.13	C _β /H _β in β -O-4' substructures linked to an S unit (A)
B_α	86.9/5.46	C _α /H _α in β -5' phenylcoumaran substructures (B)
T₈	94.1/6.54	C ₈ /H ₈ in tricin units (T)
T₆	98.8/6.21	C ₆ /H ₆ in tricin units (T)
S_{2/6}	103.9/6.72	C ₂ /H ₂ and C ₆ /H ₆ in etherified syringyl units (S)
T_{2'/6'}	104.1/7.30	C ₂ /H ₂ ' and C ₆ /H ₆ ' in tricin units (T)
T₃	104.8/7.04	C ₃ /H ₃ in tricin units (T)
J_{2/6(S)}	106.5/7.05	C ₂ /H ₂ and C ₆ /H ₆ in cinnamaldehyde end-groups in S units (J)
G₂	110.9/6.99	C ₂ /H ₂ in guaiacyl units (G)
FA₂	111.2/7.31	C ₂ /H ₂ in ferulic acid units (FA)
pCA_β+FA_β	113.5/6.27	C _β /H _β in p-coumarate (pCA) and ferulate (FA)
G₅	115.1/6.71 & 6.97	C ₅ /H ₅ in guaiacyl units (G)
G₆	118.9/6.78	C ₆ /H ₆ in guaiacyl units (G)
FA₆	122.5/7.09	C ₆ /H ₆ in ferulic acid units (FA)
J_β	126.2/6.77	C _β /H _β in cinnamaldehyde end-groups (J)
I_β	128.2/6.24	C _β /H _β in cinnamyl alcohol end-groups (I)
I_α	128.4/6.44	C _β /H _β in cinnamyl alcohol end-groups (I)
J_α	153.1/7.59	C _α /H _α in cinnamaldehyde end-groups (J)