



Figure S3. Amplification specificity of the candidate reference genes. Melting curve analysis of the candidate reference genes Actin 7 (*StACT7*) (a), alpha-tubulin (*StTUA*) (b), elongation factor 1-alpha (*StEF1a*) (c), COP1-interactive protein 1 (*StCIP1*) (d), plasma membrane ATPase 4 (*StPMA4*) (e), BEL1-like homeodomain protein 1 (*StBLHI*) (f), polyubiquitin 3 (*StUBQ3*) (g), and plastidic ATP/ADP-transporter (*StTLC1*) (h). Transcript quantification and melting curve were recorded in a QIAquant 96 5 plex (QIAGEN) following the manufacturer's protocol.