## **Supplementary Material**

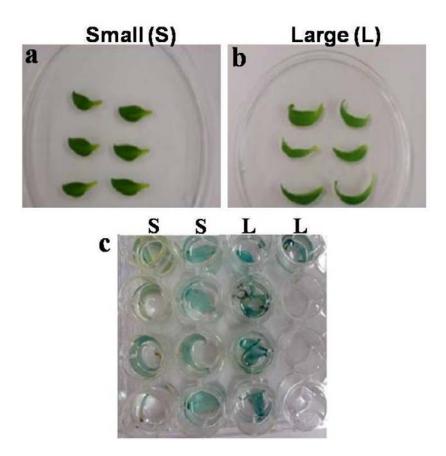
## Differences in *LEA-like 11-24* gene expression in desiccation tolerant and sensitive species of Linderniaceae are due to variations in gene promoter sequences

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**Fig S1.** The leaves of *C. plantagineum* that were used for optimisation of *Agrobacterium*-mediated transient transformation. Different size of leaves were used (a) small leaves (S = 1-2 cm) and (b) large leaves (L = 3 cm). (c) Histochemical GUS staining of *C. plantagineum* leaves of two different sizes (1-2 cm and 3 cm) transiently transformed with a 35S::GUS fusion construct.