

Supporting Information

Table S1 Ranking of 10 candidate reference genes by geNorm (G), NormFinder (N) and Bestkeeper (B) methods. Total: all rhizome and leaf samples of cultivated and wild plants; SR: rhizomes at seeding stage; SL: leaves at seeding stage; FR: rhizomes at flowering stage; FL: leaves at flowering stage; WR: rhizomes at withering stage.

Sample	Software	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Total	G	PUBQ	ETIF1a	EF1A	hh2a	α -tubulin	ubiquitin	PKII	GAPDH	β -tubulin	28SrRNA
	N	PUBQ	hh2a	ETIF1a	EF1A	ubiquitin	PKII	α -tubulin	β -tubulin	GAPDH	28SrRNA
	B	PUBQ	ETIF1a	β -tubulin	hh2a	EF1A	ubiquitin	GAPDH	PKII	28SrRNA	α -tubulin
SR	G	PUBQ	ETIF1a	EF1A	α -tubulin	ubiquitin	hh2a	28SrRNA	PKII	GAPDH	β -tubulin
	N	EF1A	PUBQ	ETIF1a	hh2a	α -tubulin	ubiquitin	PKII	28SrRNA	β -tubulin	GAPDH
	B	PUBQ	EF1A	ETIF1a	β -tubulin	tubulin	ubiquitin	hh2a	GAPDH	28srRNA	PKII
SL	G	α -tubulin	ETIF1a	EF1A	PUBQ	hh2a	ubiquitin	PKII	GAPDH	β -tubulin	28SrRNA
	N	PUBQ	ETIF1a	α -tubulin	hh2a	EF1A	ubiquitin	GAPDH	PKII	β -tubulin	28SrRNA
	B	PUBQ	hh2a	ETIF1a	β -tubulin	28SrRNA	EF1A	α -tubulin	PKII	GAPDH	ubiquitin
FR	G	EF1A	ETIF1a	PUBQ	α -tubulin	hh2a	ubiquitin	28SrRNA	PKII	β -tubulin	GAPDH
	N	PUBQ	ETIF1a	α -tubulin	EF1A	ubiquitin	hh2a	PKII	β -tubulin	GAPDH	28SrRNA
	B	ETIF1a	PUBQ	EF1A	ubiquitin	28SrRNA	β -tubulin	hh2a	GAPDH	PKII	α -tubulin
FL	G	α -tubulin	ETIF1a	EF1A	PUBQ	hh2a	GAPDH	β -tubulin	ubiquitin	28SrRNA	PKII
	N	PUBQ	ETIF1a	EF1A	hh2a	ubiquitin	PKII	28SrRNA	α -tubulin	β -tubulin	GAPDH
	B	ETIF1a	PUBQ	β -tubulin	EF1A	PKII	ubiquitin	28SrRNA	α -tubulin	hh2a	GAPDH
WR	G	EF1A	ETIF1a	PUBQ	hh2a	α -tubulin	ubiquitin	28SrRNA	PKII	GAPDH	β -tubulin
	N	PUBQ	EF1A	ETIF1a	hh2a	α -tubulin	GAPDH	PKII	ubiquitin	28SrRNA	β -tubulin
	B	ETIF1a	PUBQ	EF1A	α -tubulin	β -tubulin	GAPDH	ubiquitin	hh2a	28SrRNA	PKII

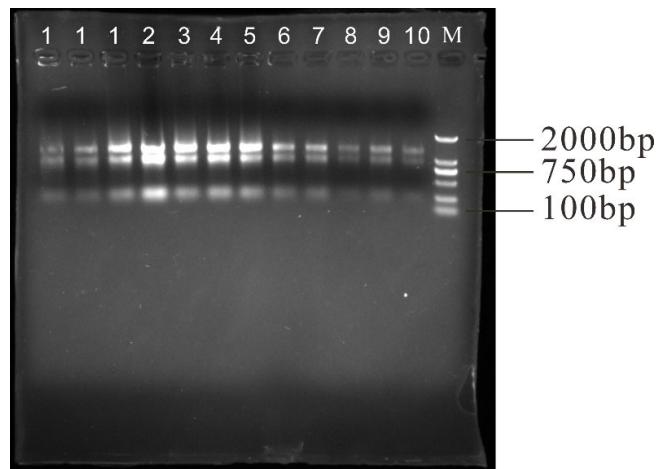


Fig. S1 Agarose gel electrophoresis of RNA in different samples

1: cultivated rhizomes at seeding stage (CSR); 2: wild rhizomes at seeding stage (WSR); 3: cultivated leaves at seeding stage (CSL); 4: wild leaves at seeding stage (WSL); 5: cultivated rhizomes at flowering stage (CFR); 6: wild rhizomes at flowering stage (WFR); 7: cultivated leaves at flowering stage (CFL); 8: wild leaves at flowering stage (WFL); 9: cultivated rhizome at withering stage (CWR); 10: wild rhizomes at withering stage (WWR); M: Marker DL2000.

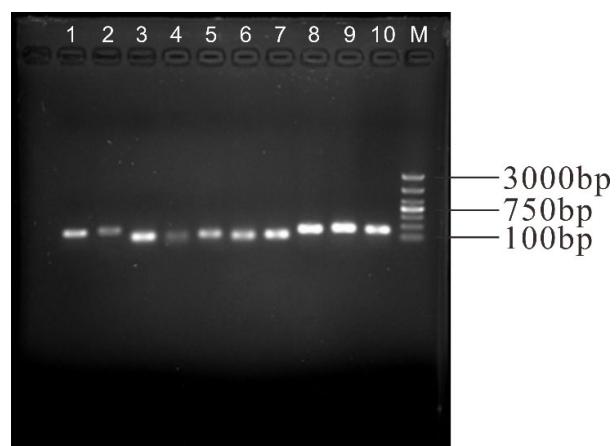


Fig. S2 qPCR amplification specificity of 10 candidate reference genes. Amplification fragments were separated by 2% agarose gel electrophoresis.

1: *GAPDH*; 2: β -*tubulin*; 3: *EF1A*; 4: *28SrRNA*; 5: *ETIF1a*; 6: *hh2a*; 7: *Ubiquitin*; 8: *PKII*; 9: α -*tubulin*; 10: *PUBQ*; M: DNA marker.

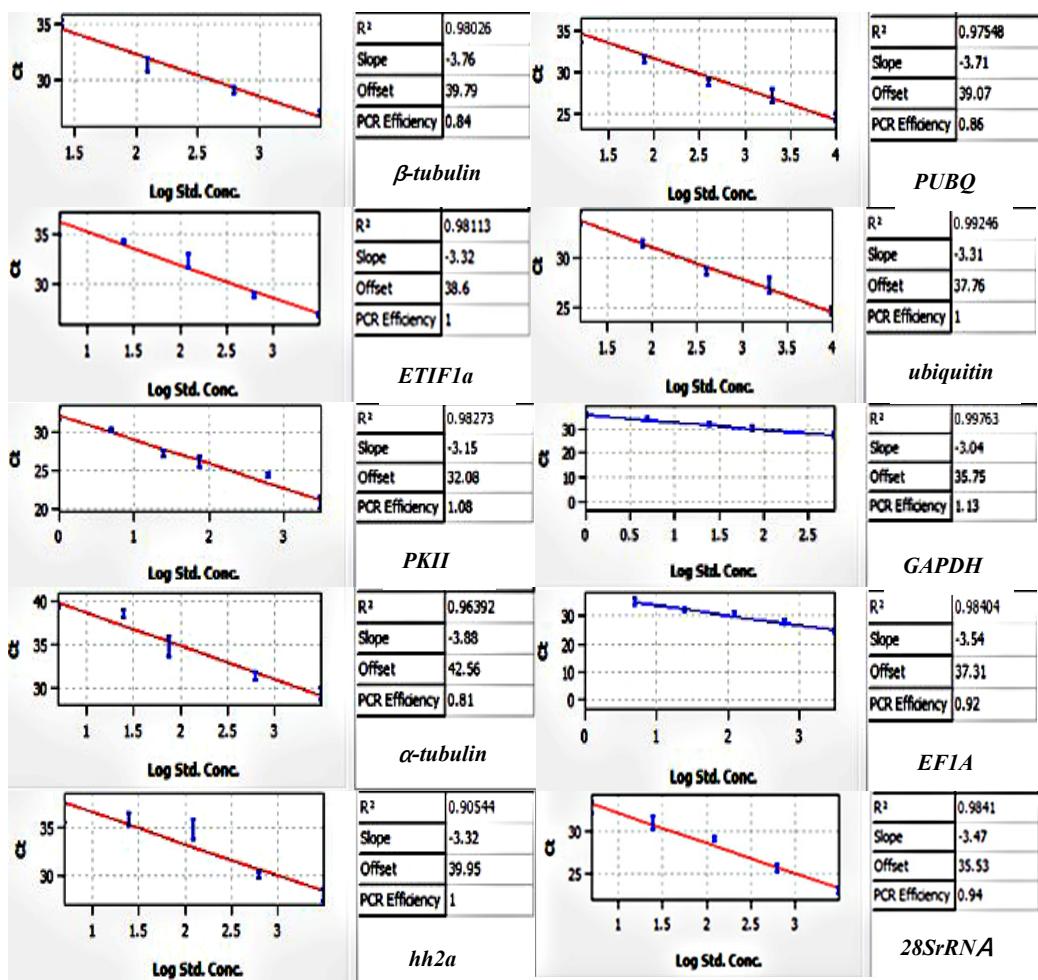


Fig. S3 Amplification efficiencies of 10 candidate reference genes