

**Table S1** Specific primer sequences used for full-length ACL gene isolation from *Petunia hybrida* 'Ultra'

Gene	Forward primer (5'→3')	Reverse primer (5'→3')
<i>PaACLA1</i>	ATGCCAGAAAGAAGATCAGAGAG	TTATGCAGCTGCAGTGATGCACTC
<i>PaACLA2</i>	ATGGCAAGGAAGAAGATCAGAGAG	CTATGCTTCAGACATAATGCAATC
<i>PaACLB1</i>	ATGGCTACTGGACAACTTTTCTC	TCACTGGTGTAGAGGACATCTT
<i>PaACLB2</i>	ATGGCTACTGGACAGCTTTTCTC	TCACTGGTGTAGAGAACGTCTTC

**Table S2** Primer sequences used in quantitative real-time PCR

Gene	Forward primer (5'→3')	Reverse primer (5'→3')
<i>PaETR2</i>	GCTTTGTTATCCGTTGCT GA	ATAATTCTCGGGATGTTCCA
<i>PaACO1</i>	TGAATGGTGCTGAAAGA G	CATTACTTCATGTGGGATT
<i>PaACO4</i>	CCCAAAGTACGCGGACT C	AAGCTGGTGCAGGATAAA
<i>PaACS9</i>	CTGGTTTCGTGTATGTTT	TGGCGTACTTTGCTGAT
<i>PaACS11</i>	GAAGCAGAAGCCAACAA C	CAAGAATACCCTCAAGGA
<i>PaWRKY23</i>	TGAATACGCCATCAACAC	CCAGCTACTACTTCTCCCT
<i>PaACLA1</i>	AAACGCCTTGCTGCCATT G	CCACTCTTTCCACGCTTCCC
<i>PaACLA2</i>	TGTTATTTGGGAAGCGTG GA	TCCGCCCATCTCCACCTC
<i>PaACLB1</i>	CTGATTTTACGAGGAGG GACAC	CTTAGTATTTGTTAGTGTGTGTAGTAA TGGAA
<i>PaACLB2</i>	TTCTCCAACAACCACCTA ACTG	TTTGTGTTGCTTTGATGAAATAGAG
<i>CYP</i>	AGGCTCATCATTCCACCG TGT	TCATCTGCGAACTTAGCACCG
<i>Actin</i>	TGCTGATCGAATGAGCA AGGAA	GGAGCAACAACCTTAATCTTC

**Table S3** Specific primer sequences used for VIGS vector construction

Gene	Forward primer (5'→3')	Reverse primer (5'→3')
<i>PaACLA1</i>	ACGCGTGAGCTCGGTACCGG ATCCCTCCGTTGATTGCTACT CTG	TCTGTGAGTAAGGTTACCGAATTC AGAACCTCCTCTTCATTTGG
<i>PaACLA2</i>	ACGCGTGAGCTCGGTACCGG ATCCTCCAATTGAGGTCTAT GGAC	TCTGTGAGTAAGGTTACCGAATTC TGGACTTCATGCAGAAAGTGG
<i>PaACLB1</i>	ACGCGTGAGCTCGGTACCGG ATCCAGCAGCCTTTGTACCGT CACCC	TCTGTGAGTAAGGTTACCGAATTC ATCATAAATGATAGCTGAGAG
<i>PaACLB2</i>	ACGCGTGAGCTCGGTACCGG ATCCATCCAGCATTTTATCCA AGTGT	TCTGTGAGTAAGGTTACCGAATTC AGCTTTAAACCAGGTACAACAA
<i>PaACLA1</i> <i>-A2</i>	ACGCGTGAGCTCGGTACCGG ATCCTCTATGCTGATACAGTA GGTGA AGAATGCACATCACTTGTTGC CACTCTACCAT	GTGGCAACAAGTGATGTGCATTCT AGCTGCTTTT TCTGTGAGTAAGGTTACCGAATTC CTCTGTAGCACTCATAACCCT
<i>PaACLB1</i> <i>-B2</i>	ACGCGTGAGCTCGGTACCGG ATCCCGATTGGTGGTGCTAT TGATG ACGCGTGAGCTCGGTACCGG ATCCTCTATGCTGATACAGTA GGTGA	ATACCACCAGATATTTCTGGCTTGG TGAACATT GTGGCAACAAGTGATGTGCATTCT AGCTGCTTTT

**Table S4** The peptides expressed in *Escherichia coli* of three proteins, PamCS, PaPDC2 and PaGELP

protein	Peptide sequence
PamCS	VPSKEQVDSLSQELQSRATIPDHVYKTIDALPVT AHPMTQFATGVMALQVQS EFQKAEKGIHKS KLWEPTYEDSMSLIAQVPLVGAYVYRRMYKNGQTIPKDD SLDYGANFAMLG YSSPDMHELMRLYVTIHS DHEGGNVA
PaPDC2	NYTGLVD AIHNGEGNCWTTKVRCEEELVEAIETATGAKKDSL CFIEVIVHKD DTSKELLEWGS RVSAANSRPPNPHFWFESHEGSIDTCKPTTNNVATLPTNNT VTISTHTPSTTIIPC NSTTDST
PaGELP	QDSTTLVPAIITFGDS AVDVGNNNDYIHTLFKANYPPYGRDFVSHQPTGRFCN GKLATDITADTLGFTTYPAAYLSPQASGKNLLIGTNFASAAAGYDDKTALN HAIPLSQQMQFYKEYQSKLAKVAGSQKATSILKDALYIISAGSSDFLQNYIIN PYINKIYTPDQYG

**Table S5** Effects of *PaACLB1-B2* silencing on the plants and cell size

	pTRV2	pTRV2-PaB1-B2
height of plant (cm)	18.53 ± 1.01	12.45 ± 1.55*
Diameter of plant (cm)	18.95 ± 0.97	13.71 ± 0.89*
height of Internode (cm)	2.55 ± 0.57	0.51 ± 0.11*
Length of young leaves (cm)	2.13 ± 0.05	1.33 ± 0.05*
Length of young leaves (cm)	2.13 ± 0.05	1.33 ± 0.05*
Length of pedicel (cm)	2.86 ± 0.41	0.76 ± 0.09*
Length of sepal (cm)	2.35 ± 0.17	1.12 ± 0.15*
Diameter of corolla (cm)	7.85 ± 0.54	5.45 ± 0.62*
Length of filaments (cm)	3.86 ± 0.41	3.12 ± 0.15*
Length of styles (cm)	3.85 ± 0.06	3.09 ± 0.19*
Diameter of stigma (mm)	3.13 ± 0.05	1.95 ± 0.06*
Diameter of leaves upper epidermal cells (µm)	41.22 ± 1.83	20.18 ± 1.14*
Diameter of leaves lower epidermal cells (µm)	42.84 ± 1.21	19.66 ± 1.17*
Length of guard cells (µm)	20.51 ± 1.33	16.53 ± 1.61*
Diameter of petals upper epidermal cells (µm)	2.50 ± 0.11	1.58 ± 0.09*
Diameter of petals lower epidermal cells (µm)	2.81 ± 0.12	2.24 ± 0.10 *
Wall thickness of mesophyll cells	0.30 ± 0.03	0.46 ± 0.02*
Wall thickness of floral cells	0.24 ± 0.02	0.59 ± 0.03*
Wall thickness of flower adaxial epidermis cells	1.8 ± 0.02	2.61 ± 0.02*

\* Data are means ± SE from 15 to 20 samples. Statistical analysis was performed using Student t test with 15 to 20 replicates. Asterisk means significant difference at P=0.05 level.