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- ☐ ☒ The exact sample size (n) for each experimental group/condition, given as a discrete number and unit of measurement
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- ☐ ☒ A full description of the statistical parameters including central tendency (e.g. means) or other basic estimates (e.g. regression coefficient) AND variation (e.g. standard deviation) or associated estimates of uncertainty (e.g. confidence intervals)
- ☐ ☒ For null hypothesis testing, the test statistic (e.g. F , t , r) with confidence intervals, effect sizes, degrees of freedom and P value noted
Give P values as exact values whenever suitable.
- ☒ ☐ For Bayesian analysis, information on the choice of priors and Markov chain Monte Carlo settings
- ☒ ☐ For hierarchical and complex designs, identification of the appropriate level for tests and full reporting of outcomes
- ☒ ☐ Estimates of effect sizes (e.g. Cohen's d , Pearson's r), indicating how they were calculated

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Software and code

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Data collection	We obtained plant trait data from fieldwork campaigns in 2017 and 2018 in Tenerife. Our collecting permits, no. 33189 and 65306, were issued by Cabildo de Tenerife, the governing body of the island of Tenerife.
Data analysis	We performed all statistical analysis and data visualization using open source R software version 4.1.0. Main R packages used are plotbiomes, V.PhyloMaker, MissForest, phytools, caper, ggplot2, Hypervolume, BAT, Agricolae. We used the software WinFOLIA (Version 2016b Pro, Regent Instruments Canada, 2016) to estimate leaf area. We estimated Leaf Nitrogen content with a C/N elemental analyser (Vario EL III, elemental, Hanau, Germany).

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- A description of any restrictions on data availability
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Plant trait data for Tenerife and floristic information of the species that support the findings of this study are available in Figshare repository: <https://doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.22355065.v1>. We further used TRY database (requested May 2022) <https://www.try-db.org/TryWeb/Home.php>, GIFT database (requested May 2022) <https://gift.uni-goettingen.de/home> and Tenerife interpolated mean values for temperature and precipitation (accessed May 2022) <https://datadryad.org/stash/dataset/doi:10.5061/dryad.qrfj6q5fs>

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Population characteristics

Recruitment

Ethics oversight

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Ecological, evolutionary & environmental sciences study design

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Study description

Research sample

Sampling strategy

Data collection

Timing and spatial scale

Data exclusions

Reproducibility

Randomization

Blinding

Did the study involve field work? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Field work, collection and transport

Field conditions	We collected plant materials following the phonological calendar, in order to obtain plant traits of fully developed individuals
Location	Tenerife, canary Islands, Spain
Access & import/export	We obtained plant trait data from an extensive fieldwork campaigns in 2017 and 2018 in Tenerife. Our collecting permits, no. 33189 and 65306, were issued by Cabildo de Tenerife, the governing body of the island of Tenerife. Plant materials were exported to Germany in the EU framework.
Disturbance	We collected adjacent / non-vital organs of plants to avoid damage

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☐	☐ Palaeontology and archaeology
☐	☐ Animals and other organisms
☐	☐ Clinical data
☐	☐ Dual use research of concern
☐	☐ Plants

Methods

n/a	Involved in the study
☐	☐ ChIP-seq
☐	☐ Flow cytometry
☐	☐ MRI-based neuroimaging

Antibodies

Antibodies used	not applicable
Validation	not applicable

Eukaryotic cell lines

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Cell line source(s)	not applicable
Authentication	not applicable
Mycoplasma contamination	not applicable
Commonly misidentified lines (See ICLAC register)	not applicable

Palaeontology and Archaeology

Specimen provenance	not applicable
Specimen deposition	not applicable
Dating methods	not applicable
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Ethics oversight	not applicable

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Laboratory animals	not applicable
Wild animals	not applicable
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Field-collected samples	not applicable
Ethics oversight	not applicable

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Clinical trial registration	not applicable
Study protocol	not applicable
Data collection	not applicable
Outcomes	not applicable

Dual use research of concern

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☐	☐ Alter the host range of a pathogen
☐	☐ Enable evasion of diagnostic/detection modalities
☐	☐ Enable the weaponization of a biological agent or toxin
☐	☐ Any other potentially harmful combination of experiments and agents

Plants

Seed stocks	Plant specimens were collected on across the entire island of Tenerife following protocols (Pérez-Harguindeguy et al 2016).
Novel plant genotypes	not applicable
Authentication	not applicable

ChIP-seq

Data deposition

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Data access links <i>May remain private before publication.</i>	not applicable
Files in database submission	not applicable
Genome browser session (e.g. UCSC)	not applicable

Methodology

Replicates	not applicable
Sequencing depth	not applicable
Antibodies	not applicable
Peak calling parameters	not applicable
Data quality	not applicable
Software	not applicable

Flow Cytometry

Plots

Confirm that:

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Methodology

Sample preparation	not applicable
Instrument	not applicable
Software	not applicable
Cell population abundance	not applicable
Gating strategy	not applicable

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Magnetic resonance imaging

Experimental design

Design type	not applicable
Design specifications	not applicable
Behavioral performance measures	not applicable

Acquisition

Imaging type(s)	not applicable
Field strength	not applicable
Sequence & imaging parameters	not applicable
Area of acquisition	not applicable
Diffusion MRI	☐ Used ☐ Not used

Preprocessing

Preprocessing software	not applicable
Normalization	not applicable
Normalization template	not applicable
Noise and artifact removal	not applicable
Volume censoring	not applicable

Statistical modeling & inference

Model type and settings	not applicable
Effect(s) tested	not applicable
Specify type of analysis:	☐ Whole brain ☐ ROI-based ☐ Both
Statistic type for inference	not applicable
(See Eklund et al. 2016)	
Correction	not applicable

Models & analysis

n/a	Involved in the study
☐	☐ Functional and/or effective connectivity
☐	☐ Graph analysis
☐	☐ Multivariate modeling or predictive analysis
Functional and/or effective connectivity	not applicable
Graph analysis	not applicable
Multivariate modeling and predictive analysis	not applicable