

New indicators for the selection of plants adapted to saline environments: combining High-Throughput digital Plant Phenotyping with morpho-physiological and biochemical analyses in sustainable water management

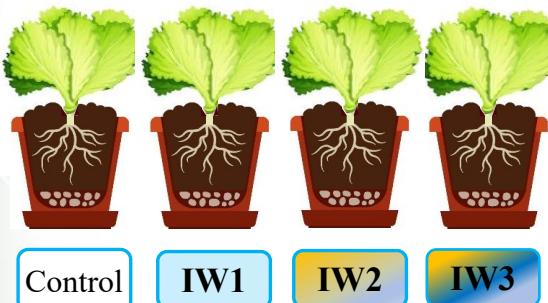
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Experimental set-up

- model plant: *Lactuga sativa* L.
- saline Irrigation Waters (IWs)



	NaCl (g L ⁻¹)	12.0	12.0	12.0
CaCl ₂ (mg L ⁻¹)	39.5	39.5	443.1	443.1
ZnCl ₂ (mg L ⁻¹)	< ql	< ql	20.0	20.0
CuSO ₄ (mg L ⁻¹)	< ql	< ql	< ql	51.6
EC (mS cm ⁻¹)	0.7	17.4	17.5	18.0
pH	8.2	7.9	7.4	7.5

Phenotyping



Morphological parameters:

3D Leaf Area, Digital Biomass, Light Penetration Depth, Plant Height

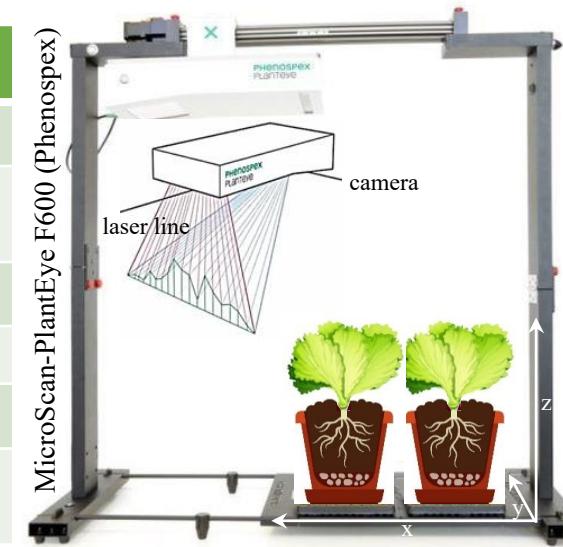
Multispectral parameters:

NDVI, PSRI, NPCI, GLI

Technical parameters:

Hue, convex hull area, voxel volume, lightness

Measurements



Plant trait measurements



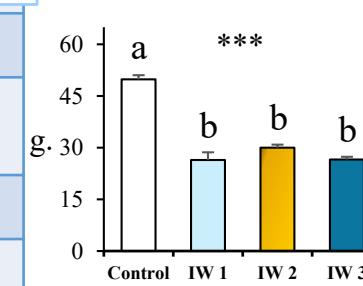
Physiological traits:

Growth analysis,
chlorophyll fluorescence

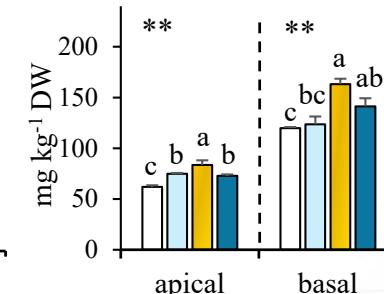
Biochemical:

Pigments, minerals content

shoot FW

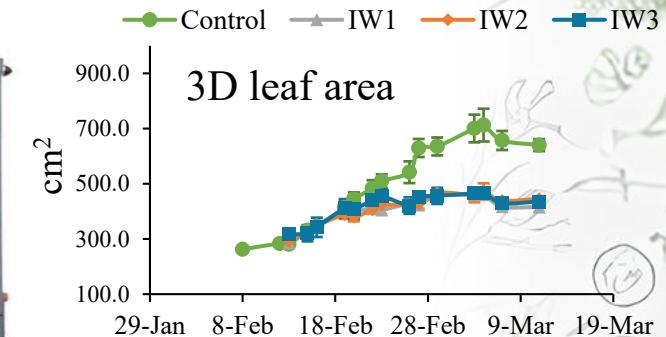


Leaf Zn



Results and Conclusions

Real time monitoring



Validation-prediction

Zn (apical leaves) vrs. NDVI

$R^2 = 0.8613$

Shoot FW vrs.
Digital Biomass

$R^2 = 0.9241$

Specific relationships-
new combined indices

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