

## Supplementary materials for

# Combined effects of water deficit, exogenous ethylene application and root symbioses on trigonelline and ABA accumulation in fenugreek

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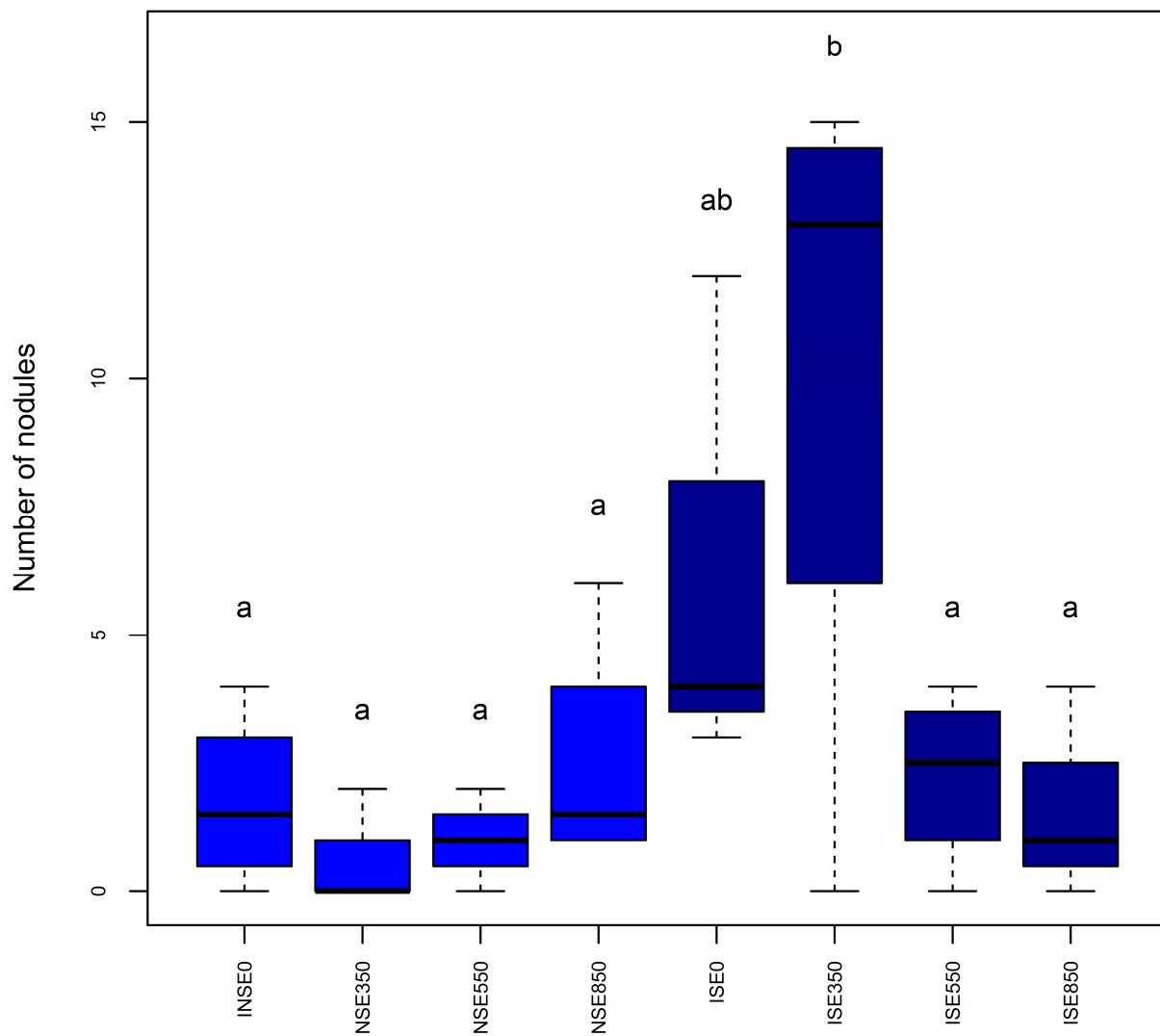
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**Table S1.** Quantification analysis of trigonelline and ABA. Average and Standard deviation ( $\pm$ ) values are reported. Results of three-way ANOVA for the three considered effects are included (Stress, Inoculation and Ethephon application). NS, no stress; S, water stress; NI, no inoculation; I, inoculation; E0, E350, E550, E850, ethephon treatments. Codes for  $p$ -value: \*\*\*  $0 \leq 0.001$ , \*\*  $0.001 \leq 0.01$ , \*  $0.01 \leq 0.05$ , ns not significant. Tukey's test outcomes are reported in Figure 1 and 2.

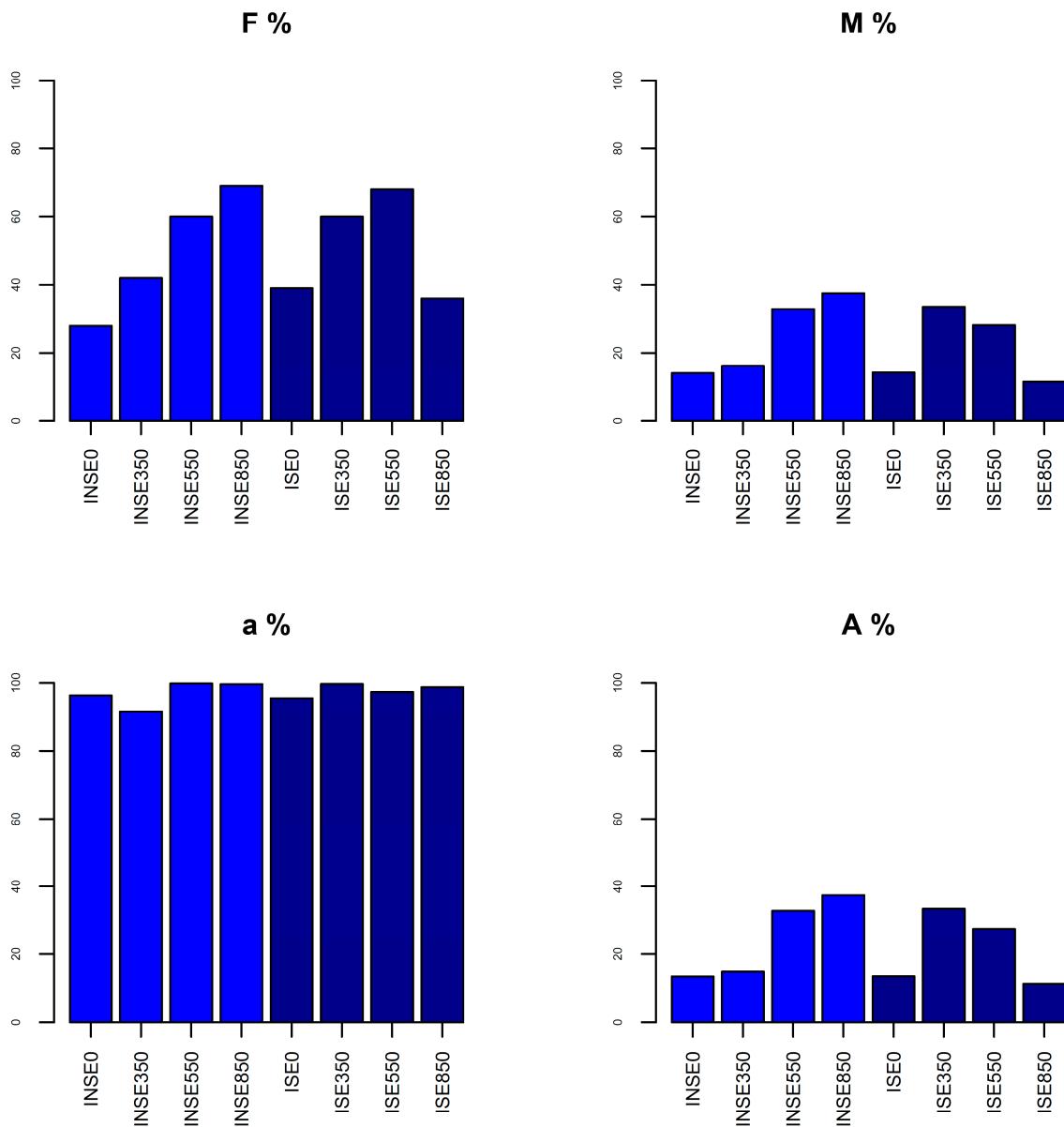
Source of Variance	Trigonelline ( $\mu\text{g g}^{-1}$ )	ABA ( $\mu\text{g g}^{-1}$ )
Stress	ns	ns
Inoculation	***	***
Ethephon	*	ns
Stress*Inoculation	ns	ns
Stress* Ethephon	ns	**
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Stress		
NS	6766.30 $\pm$ 1684.05	11.37 $\pm$ 4.35
S	7972.02 $\pm$ 2209.04	9.34 $\pm$ 4.47
Inoculation		
NI	5565.05 $\pm$ 1792.5	5.56 $\pm$ 3.05
I	9173.27 $\pm$ 2163.43	15.15 $\pm$ 5.77
Ethephon		
E0	6926.34 $\pm$ 1700.6	8.22 $\pm$ 3.69
E350	6069.26 $\pm$ 2244.02	8.81 $\pm$ 4.72
E550	8210.34 $\pm$ 2220.14	13.98 $\pm$ 5.10
E850	8270.71 $\pm$ 1621.42	10.42 $\pm$ 4.12
Stress*Inoculation		

<b>NINS</b>	4774.60±1070.15	5.04±2.21
<b>NIS</b>	6355.50±2389.17	6.09±3.88
<b>INS</b>	8758.00±2297.94	17.70±6.48
<b>IS</b>	9588.54±2028.92	12.6±5.06
<b>Stress*Ethepron</b>		
<b>NSE0</b>	6504.80±1252.82	3.30±0.87
<b>NSE350</b>	5425.72±1671.11	7.51±4.46
<b>NSE550</b>	6690.84±1641.42	19.91±5.84
<b>NSE850</b>	8443.84±2170.84	14.76±6.22
<b>SE0</b>	7347.88±2148.38	13.14±6.52
<b>SE350</b>	6712.79±2816.94	10.11±4.98
<b>SE550</b>	9729.84±2798.86	8.06±4.36
<b>SE850</b>	8097.58±1072.00	6.07±2.03
<b>Inoculation*Ethepron</b>		
<b>NIE0</b>	6025.97±2634.38	5.3±3.03
<b>NIE350</b>	4849.97±1319.98	6.62±4.84
<b>NIE550</b>	6937.17±2003.65	5.98±2.49
<b>NIE850</b>	4447.09±960.65	4.36±1.84
<b>IE0</b>	7826.71±766.82	11.14±4.35
<b>IE350</b>	7288.54±3168.07	11.00±4.6
<b>IE550</b>	9483.51±2436.64	21.99±7.72
<b>IE850</b>	12094.33±2282.18	16.48±6.40
<b>Stress*Inoculation*Ethepron</b>		
<b>NINSE0</b>	5466.74±1749.00	4.39±0.82
<b>NINSE350</b>	4874.65±765.44	8.61±6.58
<b>NINSE550</b>	4264.78±1134.69	3.91±0.75
<b>NINSE850</b>	4492.21±631.48	3.24±0.70
<b>NISE0</b>	6585.2±3519.75	6.20±5.24
<b>NISE350</b>	4825.29±1874.51	4.62±3.09
<b>NISE550</b>	9609.56±2872.6	8.05±4.22
<b>NISE850</b>	4401.96±1289.82	5.47±2.98
<b>INSE0</b>	7542.85±756.63	2.20±0.91
<b>INSE350</b>	5976.79±2576.78	6.40±2.34
<b>INSE550</b>	9116.89±2148.15	35.91±10.93
<b>INSE850</b>	12395.46±3710.19	26.28±11.73
<b>ISE0</b>	8110.56±777.01	20.08±7.79
<b>ISE350</b>	8600.29±3759.36	15.60±6.86

ISE550	$9850.12 \pm 2725.12$	$8.06 \pm 4.50$
ISE850	$11793.20 \pm 854.17$	$6.67 \pm 1.07$



**Figure S1.** Boxplot show the number of nodules (alone or as aggregate) in I plants ( $n= 4$ ). Blue and dark-blue boxes represent non-stressed and water stressed plants, respectively. Letters are plotted according to outcomes of Tukey's test.



**Figure S2.** Colonization rate in fenugreek roots after inoculation with an AM fungal inoculum. F%. frequency of mycorrhiza in the root system, M% intensity of the mycorrhizal colonization in the root system, a% arbuscule abundance in mycorrhizal parts of root fragments, A% arbuscule abundance in the root system.