

**Table S1.** *P*-values of the two-way analysis of the measured parameters in wheat (*Triticum aestivum* L. cv. Sids 14) plants as affected by foliar' treatments under different salinity levels. *P*-values in bold are considered significant ( $<0.05$ ,  $n = 4$ ). 'S': effect of salinity levels; 'T': effect of foliar treatments; S x T: effect of the variables' interaction.

		Main-factor effects		Significant interaction
		S	T	S x T
Total leaf area plant <sup>-1</sup>		<0.0001	<0.0001	-
Shoot dry weight plant <sup>-1</sup>		<0.0001	<0.0001	0.2488
Root dry weight plant <sup>-1</sup>		<0.0001	<0.0001	-
Grains number plant <sup>-1</sup>		<0.0001	<0.0001	0.3903
Grain yield plant <sup>-1</sup>		<0.0001	<0.0001	-
N concentration	shoots	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.3886
	grains	<0.0001	<0.0001	-
P concentration	shoots	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.0076
	grains	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.3777
K <sup>+</sup> concentration	shoots	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.0042
	grains	<0.0001	<0.0001	-
Na <sup>+</sup> concentration	shoots	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001
	grains	0.0001	0.0001	0.1417
Ca <sup>2+</sup> concentration	shoots	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.0815
	grains	<0.0001	0.0004	-
Mg <sup>2+</sup> concentration	shoots	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.0574
	grains	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.0351
Fe concentration	shoots	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.0627
	grains	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.0133
Zn concentration	shoots	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.1949
	grains	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.1228
Cu concentration	shoots	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.1268
	grains	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.0010
K <sup>+</sup> /Na <sup>+</sup> ratio	shoots	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.0001
	grains	<0.0001	<0.0001	-
Ca <sup>2+</sup> /Na <sup>+</sup> ratio	shoots	0.0003	<0.0001	<0.0001
	grains	0.0447	<0.0001	0.1209
Mg <sup>2+</sup> /Na <sup>+</sup> ratio	shoots	0.3091	<0.0001	<0.0001
	grains	0.3277	<0.0001	0.0188
ATP content		<0.0001	<0.0001	0.0076
PM H <sup>+</sup> -ATPase activity		<0.0001	<0.0001	0.0377
VM H <sup>+</sup> -ATPase activity		<0.0001	<0.0001	0.0098
VM H <sup>+</sup> -PPase activity		<0.0001	<0.0001	0.0081
Relative water content %		<0.0001	<0.0001	0.0009
Free amino acids concentration		<0.0001	0.0001	0.0340
Superoxide content		<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001
Electrolyte leakage %		<0.0001	<0.0001	0.0005
Membrane stability index %		<0.0001	<0.0001	0.0009
Lipxygenase activity		<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001
Superoxide dismutase activity		<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001
Catalase activity		<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001
Peroxidase activity		<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001
Polyphenol oxidase activity		<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001

**Table S2.** Chemical properties of the soil under different salinity levels.

Salinity levels EC (dS m <sup>-1</sup> )	pH	HCO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> + CO <sub>3</sub> <sup>2-</sup> (mg kg <sup>-1</sup> )	Cl <sup>-</sup> (mg kg <sup>-1</sup> )	SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> (mg kg <sup>-1</sup> )	Ca <sup>2+</sup> (mg kg <sup>-1</sup> )	Mg <sup>2+</sup> (mg kg <sup>-1</sup> )	Na <sup>+</sup> (mg kg <sup>-1</sup> )	K <sup>+</sup> (mg kg <sup>-1</sup> )
0.1	7.2	213.5	324.0	430.7	92.2	41.4	3.7	31.4
6.0	7.5	263.6	1173.4	996.9	398.5	173.9	306.7	39.7
12.0	7.8	275.4	1987.8	1686.1	886.5	314.5	808.6	52.6