

Supplementary Material

Reliability of ion accumulation and growth components for selecting salt tolerant lines in large populations of rice

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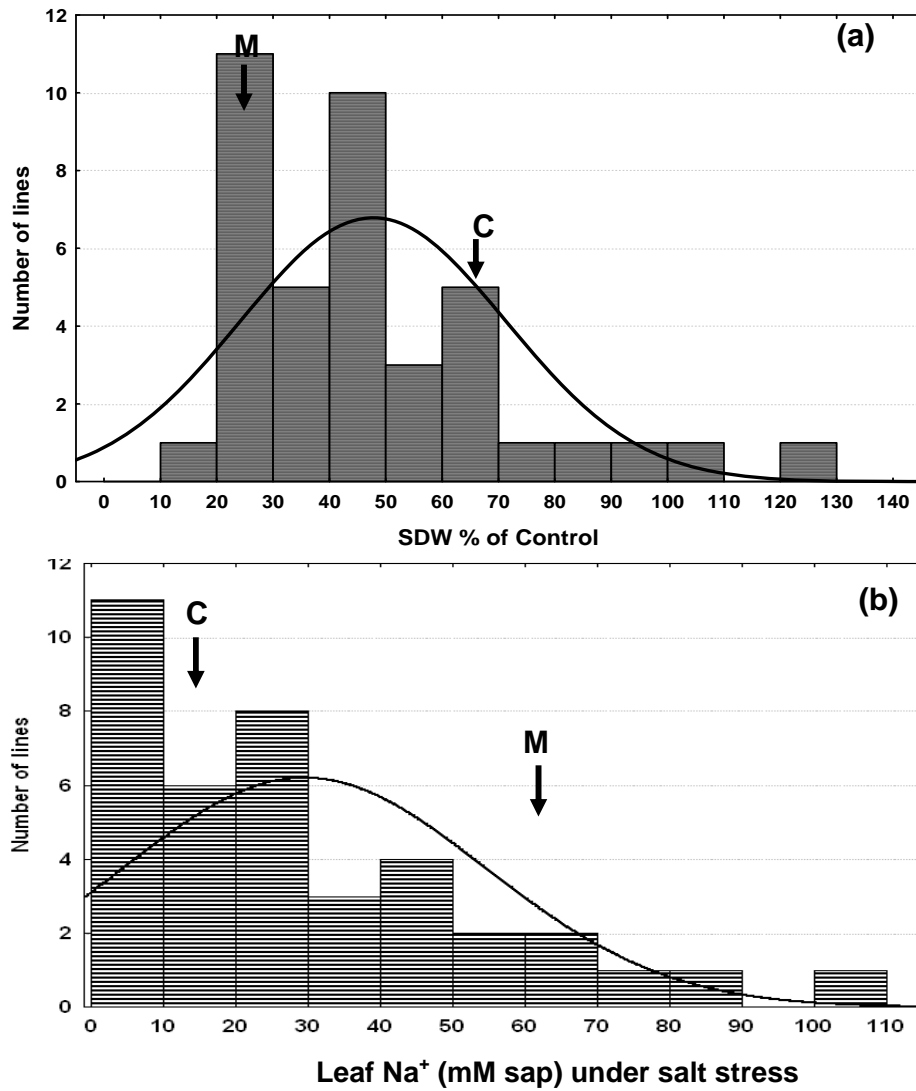


Fig. 1. (a) Frequency distribution for shoot dry weight and (b) leaf blade sap Na⁺ under salt stress (100 mM NaCl) in RILs population ($n = 32$) in Study-1. The arrows indicate mean values for CO39 and Moroberekan.

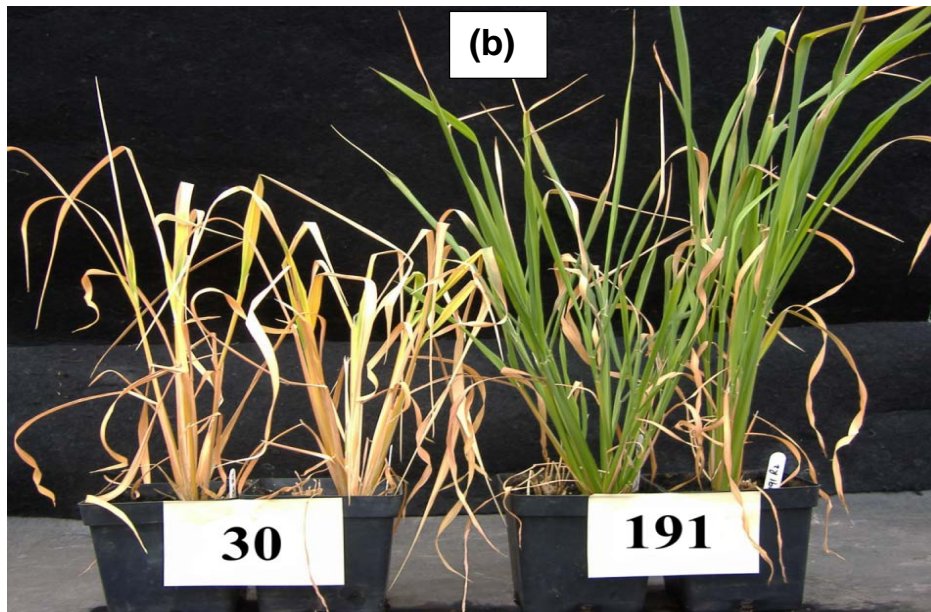
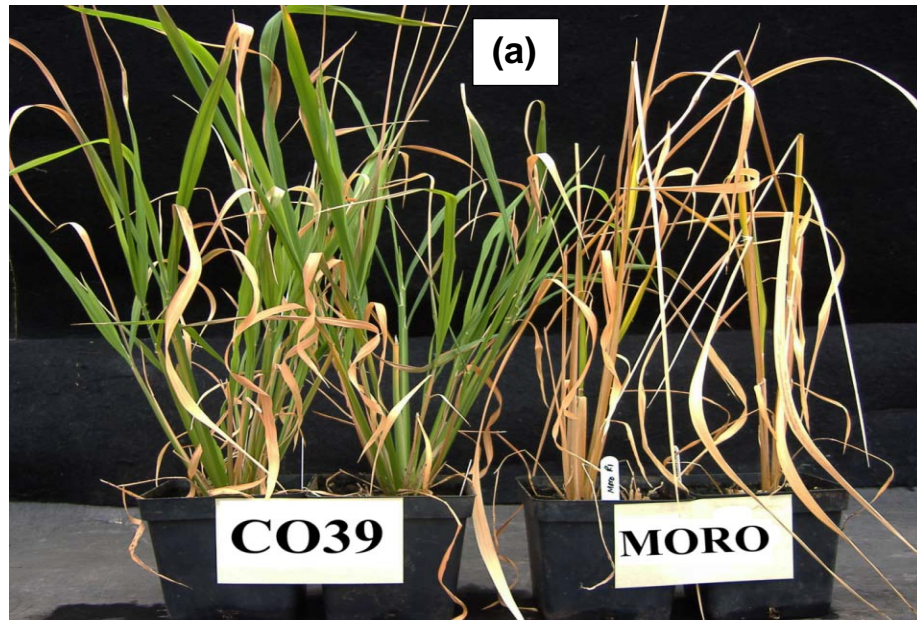


Fig. 2. Differential salinity leaf injury in (a) parent varieties (CO39 & Moroberekan) and (b) randomly selected two RILs after 42 days growth under salt stress from Study-2.

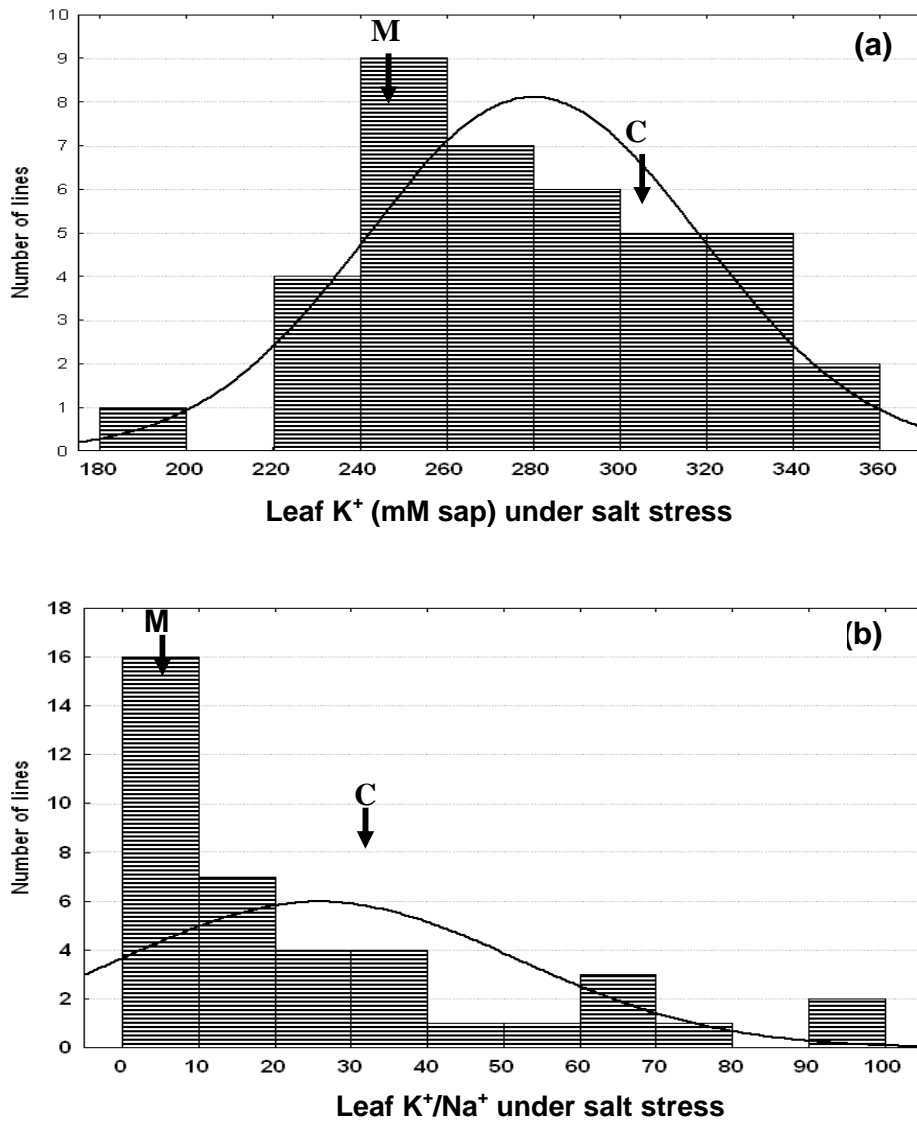


Fig. 3. (a) Frequency distribution for leaf blade sap K⁺ and (b) leaf blade sap K⁺/Na⁺ in RILs population (*n* = 32) under salt stress (100 mM NaCl) in Study-1. The arrows indicate mean values for CO39 and Moroberekan.

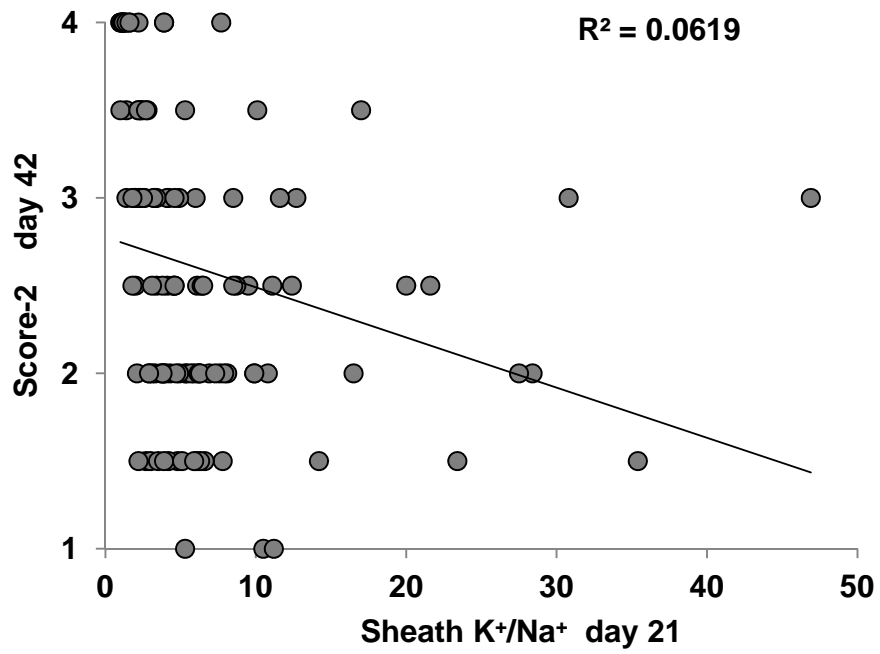


Fig. 4. Relationship of leaf injury Score-2 with K⁺/Na⁺ in sheath sap on day 21/42 of salt stress in Study-2.

Table S1. Mean squares of different traits studied in CO39×Moroborekan RILs ($n = 32$) on day 21 (ion) or day 42 (growth) in saline and non-saline conditions (Study-1)

*, **, means were significant at ≤ 0.05 and 0.01 levels, respectively; NS, means difference was non-significant

| SOV | D.F | Leaf Na⁺ | Leaf K⁺ | K⁺/Na⁺ | SFW | SDW | Tillers Plant⁻¹ | SW g g⁻¹dw. |
|---------------|------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Salinity | 1 | 43610** | 2994** | 2118399** | 124715** | 2835** | 242** | 128.8** |
| RILs | 33 | 1089** | 6307** | 5293** | 1409** | 62** | 72** | 0.9** |
| Salinity×RILs | 67 | 1080** | 1655** | 1523** | 1204** | 44** | 22** | 0.2NS |

Table S2. (a) Correlation matrix for ion accumulation in the leaf sheath sap on day 7/21, growth traits on day 42 and injury scores on day 21 (Score-1) or day 42 (Score-2) under salt stress (100 mM NaCl) (Study-2)

*, **, means were significant at ≤ 0.05 and 0.01 levels, respectively; NS, means difference was non-significant; SNa7, Sheath Na⁺ concentration on day 7; SK7, Sheath K⁺ concentration on day 7; SK/Na7, Sheath K⁺/Na⁺ ratio on day 7; SNa21, Sheath Na⁺ concentration on day 21; SK21, Sheath K⁺ concentration on day 21; SK/Na21, Sheath K⁺/Na⁺ ratio on day 21

| | SNa7 | SK7 | SK/Na7 | SNa21 | SK21 | SK/Na21 |
|----------------------------|-------------|------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|
| SNa7 | 1.0 | | | | | |
| SK7 | -0.31** | 1.0 | | | | |
| SK/Na7 | -0.71** | 0.38** | 1.0 | | | |
| SNa21 | 0.64** | -0.28** | -0.55** | 1.0 | | |
| SK21 | -0.50** | 0.34** | 0.36** | -0.75** | 1.0 | |
| SK/Na21 | -0.53** | 0.30** | 0.77** | -0.68** | 0.52** | 1.0 |
| Tillers | -0.29** | 0.28** | 0.28** | -0.56** | 0.64** | 0.35** |
| SPAD | -0.31** | 0.07 NS | 0.29** | -0.65** | 0.49** | 0.32** |
| SFW | -0.33** | 0.19 NS | 0.17 NS | -0.59** | 0.60** | 0.38** |
| SDW | -0.32** | 0.25* | 0.27** | -0.53** | 0.54** | 0.47** |
| SW g g⁻¹ | -0.19 NS | -0.02 NS | -0.08 NS | -0.39** | 0.37** | 0.01 NS |
| Score-1 | 0.14 NS | 0.20* | -0.04 NS | 0.26** | -0.27** | 0.01 NS |
| Score-2 | 0.31** | -0.13 NS | -0.25** | 0.66** | -0.51** | -0.28** |

Table S2. (b) Correlation matrix for ion accumulation in the leaf blade sap versus the leaf sheath sap on day 7/21, under salt stress (100 mM NaCl) (Study-2)

*, **, means were significant at ≤ 0.05 and 0.01 levels, respectively; NS, means difference was non-significant; LK7, Leaf K⁺ concentration on day 7; LK/Na7, Leaf K⁺/Na⁺ ratio on day 7; L Na21, Leaf Na⁺ concentration on day 21; LK21, Leaf K⁺ concentration on day 21; LK/Na21, Leaf K⁺/Na⁺ ratio on day 21

| | LNa7 | LK7 | LK/Na7 | LNa21 | LK21 | LK/Na21 | SNa7 | SK7 | SK/Na7 | SNa21 | SK21 |
|----------------|----------|----------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| LK 7 | -0.25** | 1.0 | | | | | | | | | |
| LK/Na7 | -0.67** | 0.40** | 1.0 | | | | | | | | |
| LNa21 | 0.47** | -0.30** | -0.43** | 1.0 | | | | | | | |
| LK21 | -0.01 NS | 0.50** | 0.06 NS | 0.19* | 1.0 | | | | | | |
| LK/Na21 | -0.47** | 0.27** | 0.73** | -0.57** | -0.09 NS | 1.0 | | | | | |
| SNa7 | 0.80** | -0.19** | -0.76** | 0.43** | 0.09 NS | -0.57** | 1.0 | | | | |
| SK7 | -0.36** | 0.65** | 0.55** | -0.30** | 0.29** | 0.40** | -0.31** | 1.0 | | | |
| SK/Na7 | -0.46** | 0.24* | 0.75** | -0.34** | -0.10 NS | 0.67** | -0.71** | 0.38** | 1.0 | | |
| SNa21 | 0.57** | -0.18 NS | -0.59** | 0.79** | 0.24** | -0.77** | 0.64** | -0.28** | -0.55** | 1.0 | |
| SK21 | -0.47** | 0.31** | 0.47** | -0.71** | 0.02 NS | 0.58** | -0.50** | 0.34** | 0.36** | -0.75** | 1.0 |
| SK/Na21 | -0.38** | 0.15 NS | 0.60** | -0.40** | -0.16 NS | 0.78** | -0.53** | 0.30** | 0.77** | -0.68** | 0.52** |