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Histo-anatomical leaf variations related to depth in *Posidonia oceanica*

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Table S1. Correlations among histo-anatomical characters correlation. In the bottom-left hemimatrix are correlation values (Pearson, r, but for N° Ribs column and line where values are in Spearman, ρ); in the upper-rigth hemimatrix are significance values (p)

	N° epi cells C.L.	N° meso cells/ u.m. C.L.	N° meso cells from epi u. to epi I. C.L.	Layers of meso cells from epi to central rib C.L.	Layers of meso cells from epi u. to epi I. C.L.	N° epi cells M.L.	N° meso cells/ u.m. M.L.	N° meso cells from epi u. to epi I. M.L.	Layers of meso cells from epi u. to epi I. M.L.	Layers of meso cells from epi to 5 th rib	N° Ribs
N° epi cells C.L.	0	0.194	0.353	0.058	0.487	0.000	0.037	0.051	0.132	0.058	0.047
N° meso cells/ u.m. C.L.	0.166	0	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.084
N° meso cells from epi u. to epi I. C.L.	0.119	0.873	0	0.000	0.000	0.006	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.025
Layers of meso cells from epi to central rib C.L.	0.240	0.467	0.579	0	0.000	0.043	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.062
Layers of meso cells from epi u. to epi I. C.L.	0.089	0.678	0.885	0.621	0	0.023	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.020
N° epi cells M.L.	0.537	0.396	0.342	0.256	0.285	0	0.000	0.000	0.005	0.005	0.002
N° meso cells/ u.m. M.L.	0.264	0.642	0.692	0.583	0.611	0.437	0	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
N° meso cells from epi u. to epi I. M.L.	0.247	0.627	0.682	0.586	0.604	0.428	0.999	0	0.000	0.000	0.000
Layers of meso cells from epi u. to epi I. M.L.	0.192	0.619	0.773	0.637	0.759	0.347	0.765	0.753	0	0.000	0.000
Layers of meso cells from epi to 5thrib	0.240	0.594	0.705	0.665	0.726	0.347	0.538	0.532	0.655	0	0.108
N° Ribs	0.251	0.220	0.283	0.237	0.293	0.388	0.462	0.462	0.474	0.204	0

Table S2. Summary statistics of histo-anatomical characters in *P. oceanica*

Variable	Mean	StdDev	Min	Max	Range	Lower ith %tile	Upper ith %tile	-5 m	-15 m	-25 m
								Mean (StdDev)	Mean (StdDev)	Mean (StdDev)
Nº epi cells C.L.	23.4444	2.71066	17	30	13	20	27	22,048 ($\pm 2,156$)	24,13 ($\pm 3,181$)	24,158 ($\pm 2,089$)
Nº meso cells/ u.m. C.L.	24.5635	5.88909	15	51	36	18	31	21,262 ($\pm 4,742$)	25,783 ($\pm 6,592$)	26,737 ($\pm 4,665$)
Nº meso cells from epi u. to epi I. C.L.	26.0238	8.76597	15	66	51	18	33.6	21,643 ($\pm 5,189$)	27 ($\pm 9,709$)	29,684 ($\pm 9,043$)
Layers of meso cells from epi to central rib C.L.	1.87302	0.683729	1	4	3	1	3	1,524 ($\pm 0,602$)	2,043 ($\pm 0,562$)	2,053 ($\pm 0,78$)
Layers of meso cells from epi u. to epi I. C.L.	4.60317	1.47604	3	11	8	3	6.2	4 ($\pm 1,14$)	4,652 ($\pm 1,229$)	5,211 ($\pm 1,843$)
Nº epi cells M.L	21.9365	2.81054	15	30	15	18	25.2	19,524 ($\pm 2,205$)	23,261 ($\pm 2,261$)	23 ($\pm 2,309$)
Nº meso cells/ u.m. M.L.	23.3413	4.82084	11	38	27	17.8	29.2	19,69 ($\pm 4,214$)	25,391 ($\pm 4,629$)	24,895 ($\pm 3,264$)
Nº meso cells from epi u. to epi I. M.L.	23.373	4.89154	11	38	27	17.8	29.2	19,786 ($\pm 4,54$)	25,391 ($\pm 4,629$)	24,895 ($\pm 3,264$)
Layers of meso cells from epi to 5 th rib	1.85714	0.668584	1	4	3	1	2.2	1,619 ($\pm 0,74$)	2 ($\pm 0,522$)	1,947 ($\pm 0,705$)
Layers of meso cells from epi u. to epi I. M.L.	4.12698	0.851792	3	7	4	3	5	3,524 ($\pm 0,512$)	4,391 ($\pm 0,891$)	4,474 ($\pm 0,772$)
Nº Ribs	64.127	0.496274	6	7	1	6	7	6,095 ($\pm 0,301$)	6,478 ($\pm 0,511$)	6,684 ($\pm 0,478$)