

# Supplementary Materials: Diffusive and Metabolic Constraints to Photosynthesis in Quinoa during Drought and Salt Stress

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**Table S1:** Chlorophyll *a* fluorescence parameters and formulas used in the fluorescence transient analysis.

Parameters	Formulas and Definition
$F_o$	Minimal fluorescence from a dark-adapted leaf
$F_m$	Maximal fluorescence from a dark-adapted leaf
$F_v$	Maximal variable fluorescence from a dark-adapted leaf. $F_v = F_m - F_o$
$V_J$	Relative variable fluorescence at 3 ms. $V_J = (F_{2\text{ ms}} - F_o)/(F_m - F_o)$
$V_I$	Relative variable fluorescence at 30 ms. $V_I = (F_{30\text{ ms}} - F_o) / (F_m - F_o)$
$\phi P_o$	$F_v/F_m = [F_m - F_o]/F_m = 1 - F_o/F_m =$ maximum quantum yield of PSII primary photochemistry (at $t = 0$ ), measured in samples in dark-adapted state. $F_o/F_m$ expresses the probability that an absorbed photon will be trapped by the PSII reaction centre.
$\phi E_o$	$(1 - F_o/F_m)(1 - V_J) =$ Quantum yield of electron transport (at $t = 0$ ).
$\phi R_o$	$(1 - F_o/F_m)(1 - V_I) =$ Quantum yield for reduction of end electron acceptors at the PSI acceptor side.
$\phi D_o$	$F_o/F_m =$ Quantum yield (at $t = 0$ ) of energy dissipation
$\Psi E_o$	$1 - V_J = 1 - (F_{2\text{ ms}} - F_o)/(F_m - F_o)$ . $\Psi E_o$ expresses the probability that the energy of a trapped excitation is used for electron transport beyond plastoquinone-A.
$\delta R_o$	$(1 - V_I)/(1 - V_J) =$ Efficiency with which an electron from the intersystem electron carriers moves to reduce end electron acceptors at the PSI acceptor side.
$\Delta V_{I-P}$	$1 - V_I = (F_m - F_{30\text{ ms}}) / (F_m - F_o)$ , I-P phase. This parameter indicates relative contribution of the I-P phase to the fluorescence transient OJIP; it is regarded as a measure of the efficiency of electron flux through PSI to reduce the final acceptors of the electron transport chain, i.e., ferredoxin and NADP.
ABS/RC	$(1 - \text{Chl}_{RC}/\text{Chl}_{tot})/(\text{Chl}_{RC}/\text{Chl}_{tot}) =$ Absorption flux (of antenna chlorophylls) per reaction centre (RC).
$PI_{ABS}$	$(RC/ABS) \times [\phi P_o / (1 - \phi P_o)] \times [\Psi E_o / (1 - \Psi E_o)]$ . Performance index on absorption bases; absorption of antenna Chls of PSII. This measure incorporates photochemical and non-photochemical processes, such as absorption and trapping of excitation energy, electron transport beyond the plastoquinone-A and dissipation of excess excitation energy.
$PI_{TOT}$	Performance Index total ( $PI_{TOT}$ ) is the potential for energy conservation from photons absorbed by PSII to the reduction flux (RE) of PSI end acceptors. The $PI_{tot}$ is a multi-parametric indicator of four measures of photosynthetic electron transport: (1) the concentration of reaction centres; (2) the quantum yield of PSII photochemistry; (3) the capacity for uptake of electrons in the electron chain between PSII and PSI; (4) the efficiency with which an electron can transfer from the reduced intersystem electron acceptors to the PSI end electron [1,2]. $PI_{TOT} = PI_{ABS} [\delta R_o / (1 - \delta R_o)]$ where $\delta R_o = (1 - V_I)/(1 - V_J) = (F_m - F_I) / (F_m - F_J)$ . $\delta R_o$ is the efficiency of an electron can transport from a reduced PQ to PSI end electron acceptor.

<b>TR<sub>o</sub>/RC</b>	$M_o(1/V_j)$ = Trapping flux (leading to plastoquinone-A reduction) per RC.
<b>ET<sub>o</sub>/RC</b>	$M_o(1/V_j)\Psi_o$ = Electron transport flux (further than plastoquinone-A) per RC.
<b>RC/CS<sub>o</sub></b>	$F_o \varphi P_o (V_j/M_o)$ = Density of RCs (plastoquinone-A reducing PSII reaction centers).
<b>DI<sub>o</sub>/RC</b>	$(ABS/RC - TR_o/RC)$ = Dissipated energy flux per RC.
<b>M<sub>o</sub></b>	Slope of the curve at the origin of the fluorescence rise. It is a measure of the rate of the primary photochemistry. $M_o = 4 \times (F_{300 \mu s} - F_o) / (F_m - F_o)$
<b>ChlF steps</b>	The <i>ChlF</i> induction phase has different time steps called as: 20–50 $\mu$ s (O-step), 2 ms (J-step), 30 ms (I-step), around 0.8 s (P-step; peak) and generally denoted F <sub>o</sub> , F <sub>J</sub> and F <sub>I</sub> . The last step (P-step) indicates the highest fluorescence intensity (F <sub>m</sub> ), when saturating light is used.

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