

**Table 1. Effect of salinity on (a) dry weight of root (R), shoot (S); (b) on ion ( $K^+$ ,  $Na^+$ ,  $Ca^{2+}$ ,  $Cl^-$ ) contents in root and (c) shoot of four rice genotypes.  $\pm$  S. E.****a) Dry wt., g/hill of root or shoot**

Name of the genotypes	Control (-NaCl)				Treatment (+ NaCl)				Tolerance index (T1)	
	Root (R)	Shoot (S)	Total (R+S)	R/S	Root (R)	Shoot (S)	Total (R+S)	R/S	Root (R)	Shoot (S)
BR-9	0.46 $\pm$ 0.08	0.99 $\pm$ 0.40	1.46	0.46	0.18 $\pm$ 0.01	0.53 $\pm$ 0.14	0.71	0.34	39.13	53.53
Iratom-24	0.59 $\pm$ 0.10	3.02 $\pm$ 0.54	3.21	0.19	0.17 $\pm$ 0.04	1.15 $\pm$ 0.04	1.32	0.15	28.81	38.08
Nonabokra	0.29 $\pm$ 0.05	1.72 $\pm$ 0.14	2.01	0.17	0.19 $\pm$ 0.06	1.09 $\pm$ 0.13	1.28	0.14	65.52	63.37
Pokkali	1.04 $\pm$ 0.09	3.06 $\pm$ 0.74	4.10	0.34	1.07 $\pm$ 0.08	2.10 $\pm$ 0.25	3.17	0.51	102.88	68.63

**(b) Ion contents in root, mg/g D. wt.**

	Control (-NaCl)				Treatment (+ NaCl)				
	$K^+$	$Na^+$	$Ca^{2+}$	$Cl^-$	$K^+$	$Na^+$	$Ca^{2+}$	$Cl^-$	
BR-9	17.91 $\pm$ 0.21	11.28 $\pm$ 0.11	45.93 $\pm$ 0.41	10.36	11.92 $\pm$ 0.20	17.95 $\pm$ 0.11	39.32 $\pm$ 0.41	16.43	
Iratom-24	38.45 $\pm$ 0.21	9.79 $\pm$ 0.11	37.08 $\pm$ 0.41	12.56	10.45 $\pm$ 0.22	19.28 $\pm$ 0.12	35.19 $\pm$ 0.42	17.15	
Nonabokra	27.54 $\pm$ 0.20	9.85 $\pm$ 0.13	48.16 $\pm$ 0.39	10.23	6.97 $\pm$ 0.19	16.43 $\pm$ 0.13	39.10 $\pm$ 0.40	14.28	
Pokkali	42.18 $\pm$ 0.20	10.12 $\pm$ 0.13	40.81 $\pm$ 0.41	8.27	8.16 $\pm$ 0.21	14.32 $\pm$ 0.12	38.29 $\pm$ 0.40	14.54	

**(c) Ion contents in shoot, mg/g D. wt.**

	Control (-NaCl)				Treatment (+NaCl)				
	$K^+$	$Na^+$	$Ca^{2+}$	$Cl^-$	$K^+$	$Na$	$Ca^{2+}$	$Cl^-$	
BR-9	39.85 $\pm$ 0.21	3.56 $\pm$ 0.42	42.77 $\pm$ 0.42	9.36	27.04 $\pm$ 0.20	25.18 $\pm$ 0.12	40.12 $\pm$ 0.41	22.03	
Iratom-24	40.57 $\pm$ 0.21	3.57 $\pm$ 0.11	47.82 $\pm$ 0.41	12.48	17.18 $\pm$ 0.22	15.25 $\pm$ 0.12	35.19 $\pm$ 0.40	14.28	
Nonabokra	23.75 $\pm$ 0.19	5.12 $\pm$ 0.11	48.47 $\pm$ 0.41	8.96	19.02 $\pm$ 0.21	13.03 $\pm$ 0.13	32.46 $\pm$ 0.41	16.56	
Pokkali	42.32 $\pm$ 0.20	5.12 $\pm$ 0.13	51.57 $\pm$ 0.41	9.46	16.12 $\pm$ 0.20	20.19 $\pm$ 0.11	42.18 $\pm$ 0.41	17.29	

**Table 2. Effect of salinity on (a) proline and (b) protein contents, and (c) ATPase activity of the seedlings of four rice genotypes.  $\pm$  S. E.****a) Proline contents,  $\mu$ g/g D. wt.**

Name of the genotypes	Control (-NaCl)			Treatment (+NaCl)			Control (- NaCl) (C)	Treatment + of control (T)	$\pm$ in % of control	Control (- NaCl) (C)	Treatment (+ NaCl) (T)	$\pm$ in % of control
	Root (R)	Shoot (S)	R/S	Root (R)	Shoot (S)	R/S						
BR-9	517.75 $\pm$ 1.82	760.76 $\pm$ 1.83	0.680	759.16 $\pm$ 1.82	1705.30 $\pm$ 3.61	0.445	142.75 $\pm$ 0.03	134.23 $\pm$ 0.03	-6.34	20.12 $\pm$ 0.02	18.61 $\pm$ 0.03	-8.11
Iratom-24	555.47 $\pm$ 1.83	999.87 $\pm$ 1.83	0.555	577.50 $\pm$ 1.83	2070.38 $\pm$ 3.62	0.278	150.38 $\pm$ 0.04	228.65 $\pm$ 0.01	+34.23	16.51 $\pm$ 0.03	13.29 $\pm$ 0.03	-24.23
Nonabokra	581.79 $\pm$ 1.82	877.23 $\pm$ 1.83	0.663	769.24 $\pm$ 1.81	1867.25 $\pm$ 3.60	0.411	199.56 $\pm$ 0.04	254.00 $\pm$ 0.04	+21.43	25.32 $\pm$ 0.03	14.98 $\pm$ 0.03	-69.02
Pokkali	533.61 $\pm$ 1.81	1124.52 $\pm$ 1.82	0.474	869.94 $\pm$ 1.83	2032.16 $\pm$ 3.60	0.428	165.77 $\pm$ 0.03	188.00 $\pm$ 0.03	+9.41	16.12 $\pm$ 0.03	17.80 $\pm$ 0.03	+9.43

