

**Supplementary table S1.**

**Supplementary table 1.** Mineralogical composition (XRPD Rietveld-RIR method) of the kaolin and CHA-zeolite supplied by Balco s.p.a and used in the experimentation. Data from the product's technical sheet supplied by the company

Mineralogical composition (%)	Kaolin	CHA-zeolite
Kaolinite	87	0
Quartz	3	0
Muscovite	4	0
Chabazite	0	65
Phillipsite	0	3
K-feldspar	0	5
Biotite	0	2
Pyroxene	0	3
Volcanic glass	0	22
Others	6	0
Total Zeolitic content	0	68

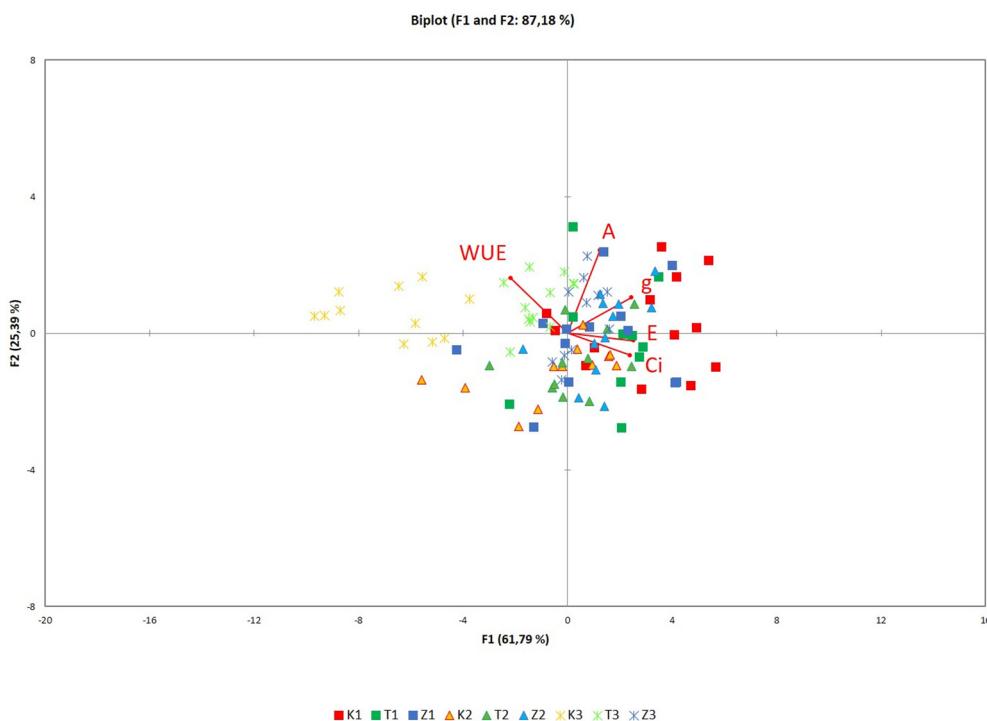
**Supplementary table 2:** Results of soil analysis (oven-combustion, EA-IRMS) from each experimental plant treated with kaolin (K), CHA-zeolite (Z) and the control (T). SOM is the soil organic matter measured by combustion at 550 °C (mean of 2 replicates), TN and TC are the total nitrogen and carbon content measured by EA analysis,  $\delta^{15}\text{N}$  and  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  are the isotopic signature expressed as delta notation by IRMS (values are expressed as mean of 3 replicates). Standard deviation within brackets. Same letters express no significant differences ( $p>0.05$ ) as results of ANOVA and TUKEY (HSD) tests.

	T	K	Z
%			
<b>SOM</b>	7.90	8.45	7.95
<b>TN</b>	0.29 (0.02) <sup>a</sup>	0.31 (0.04) <sup>a</sup>	0.27 (0.05) <sup>a</sup>
<b>TC</b>	5.11 (0.45) <sup>a</sup>	5.06 (0.14) <sup>a</sup>	4.93 (0.18) <sup>a</sup>
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$\delta^{15}\text{N}$	+2.17 (0.77) <sup>a</sup>	+2.79 (0.62) <sup>a</sup>	+1.29 (1.28) <sup>a</sup>
$\delta^{13}\text{C}$	-17.57 (1.08) <sup>a</sup>	-18.12 (0.37) <sup>a</sup>	-17.31 (1.05) <sup>a</sup>

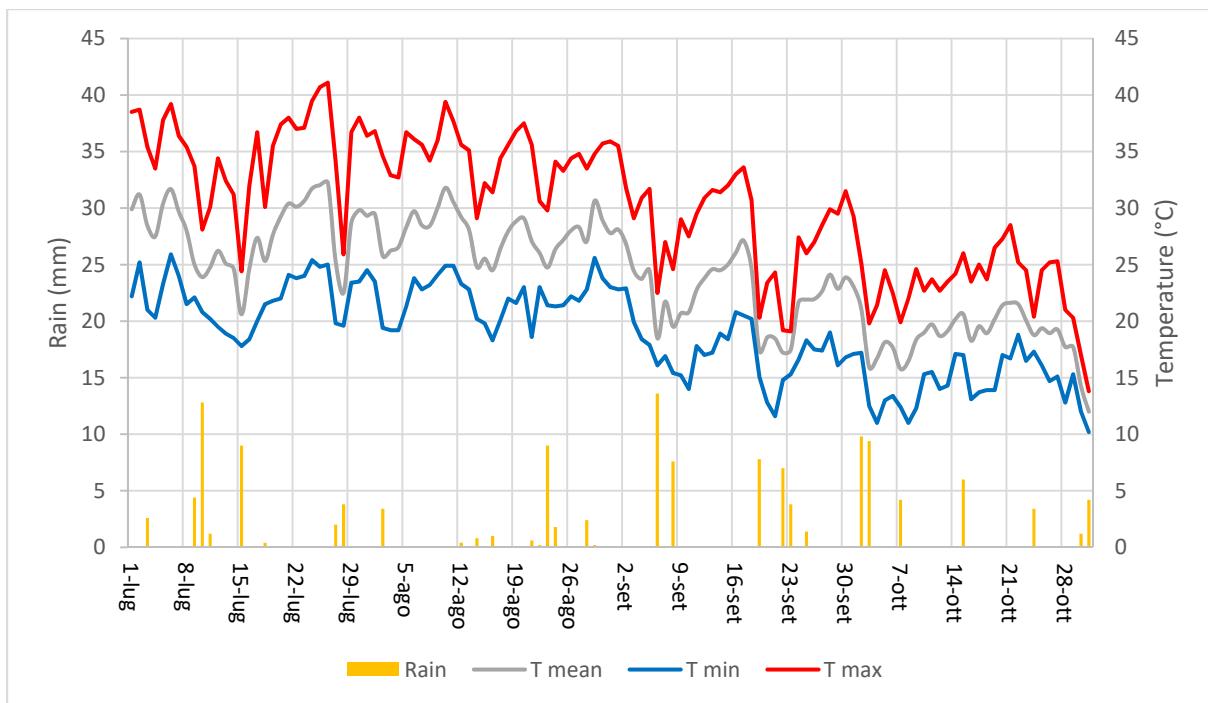
**Supplementary table 3:** Results of soil analysis (2 replicates) by X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF) from each experimental plant treated with kaolin (K 1 and 2), CHA-zeolite (Z 1 and 2) and the control (T 1 and 2). LOI represent the loss on ignition (volatile losses at 1000°C).

	T 1	T 2	K 1	K 2	Z1	Z 2
%						
<b>SiO<sub>2</sub></b>	50.87	53.76	52.62	52.56	50.72	51.10

<b>TiO<sub>2</sub></b>	0.54	0.50	0.58	0.54	0.52	0.55
<b>AL<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub></b>	12.59	12.15	13.29	12.61	12.65	12.64
<b>Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub></b>	4.25	4.00	4.45	4.10	4.20	4.31
<b>MnO</b>	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.12	0.11
<b>MgO</b>	2.51	2.34	2.55	2.48	2.50	2.47
<b>CaO</b>	9.77	9.12	8.38	8.63	9.78	9.32
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>O</b>	0.85	0.94	0.85	0.85	0.87	0.86
<b>K<sub>2</sub>O</b>	2.27	2.33	2.43	2.32	2.28	2.27
<b>P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub></b>	0.18	0.18	0.20	0.21	0.16	0.19
<b>LOI</b>	16.06	14.57	14.53	15.59	16.19	16.19
<b>Total</b>	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<i>ppm</i>						
<b>Ba</b>	393	385	410	402	399	398
<b>Ce</b>	39	36	40	40	40	42
<b>Co</b>	13	13	14	12	12	13
<b>Cr</b>	90	89	97	90	87	90
<b>Cu</b>	73	57	57	73	59	67
<b>Ga</b>	15	14	16	15	15	17
<b>Hf</b>	3	3	3	3	5	4
<b>La</b>	12	9	15	10	13	15
<b>Nb</b>	12	11	12	12	11	12
<b>Nd</b>	26	18	23	23	18	23
<b>Ni</b>	66	61	65	62	61	62
<b>Pb</b>	32	33	34	37	27	32
<b>Rb</b>	95	100	106	100	93	98
<b>Sc</b>	9	8	9	8	10	10
<b>Sr</b>	295	279	273	269	294	289
<b>Th</b>	6	5	6	5	5	6
<b>V</b>	81	72	83	78	78	84
<b>Y</b>	19	19	20	18	19	19
<b>Zn</b>	75	76	86	81	67	74
<b>Zr</b>	185	160	167	156	195	179



**Supplementary figure 1.** PCA of the ecophysiological parameters measured after the foliar applications of K (kaolin), Z (CHA-zeolitite), and T (control).



**Supplementary figure 2.** Minimum, mean and maximum temperature (°C) and rainfall (mm) recorded in the period 1<sup>st</sup> Julay-31<sup>st</sup> October.