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2 **Short title:** SA and JA modulate the ROS wave

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5 **Jasmonic acid and salicylic acid modulate systemic**  
6 **reactive oxygen species signaling during stress**  
7 **responses**

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24 responses to light stress or wounding.

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26 **ABSTRACT**

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28 Plants can send long-distance cell-to-cell signals from a single tissue subjected to stress to the  
29 entire plant. This ability is termed ‘systemic signaling’ and is essential for plant acclimation to  
30 stress and/or defense against pathogens. Several signaling mechanisms are associated with  
31 systemic signaling, including the reactive oxygen species (ROS) wave, calcium wave, hydraulic  
32 wave, and electric signals. The ROS wave coordinates multiple physiological, molecular, and  
33 metabolic responses among different parts of the plant and is essential for systemic acquired  
34 acclimation (SAA) to stress. In addition, it is linked with several plant hormones, including  
35 jasmonic acid (JA), salicylic acid (SA), and abscisic acid (ABA). However, how these plant  
36 hormones modulate the ROS wave and whether they are required for SAA is not clear. Here we  
37 report that SA and JA play antagonistic roles in modulating the ROS wave in *Arabidopsis*  
38 (*Arabidopsis thaliana*). While SA augments the ROS wave, JA suppresses it during responses to  
39 local wounding or high light (HL) stress treatments. We further show that ethylene and ABA are  
40 essential for regulation of the ROS wave during systemic responses to local wounding treatment.  
41 Interestingly, we found that the redox-response protein NONEXPRESSOR OF  
42 PATHOGENESIS RELATED PROTEIN 1 (NPR1) is required for systemic ROS accumulation  
43 in response to wounding or HL stress, as well as for SAA to HL stress. Taken together, our  
44 findings suggest that interplay between JA and SA might regulate systemic signaling and SAA  
45 during responses of plants to abiotic stress or wounding.

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## 48 INTRODUCTION

49 Plants grow, develop, and reproduce in a dynamic environment that subjects them to rapid  
50 changes in conditions such as light intensity, humidity, temperature, and/or the presence of  
51 pathogens or pests (Kollist et al., 2019). To successfully thrive in their environment, plants need  
52 to rapidly respond and acclimate to these changes (Zandalinas et al., 2019; Zandalinas et al.,  
53 2020a). Although occasionally the entire plant is simultaneously exposed to the changing  
54 environmental conditions, in many instances only a single tissue of the plant (termed ‘local’  
55 tissue) will sense the different stress conditions before the rest of the plant will. In such  
56 instances, the local tissue that first senses the change in environmental conditions will send a  
57 rapid systemic signal that spreads to the entire plant within minutes and activates defense and  
58 acclimation mechanisms in all other parts of the plant (termed ‘systemic tissue’), often before the  
59 change in environmental conditions will reach them (Kollist et al., 2019; Zandalinas et al.,  
60 2020b). This process is known as ‘rapid systemic signaling’ and is essential for the systemic  
61 acclimation (termed ‘systemic acquired acclimation’; SAA) of plants to different abiotic stresses  
62 such as excess light or heat stress (Suzuki et al., 2013; Zandalinas et al., 2019; Zandalinas et al.,  
63 2020a). In addition, it is essential for the systemic wound response (SWR) to mechanical  
64 wounding, that is in many instances associated with insect attack and herbivory (Toyota et al.,  
65 2018; Farmer et al., 2020). The rapid activation, or priming, of the entire plant, that occurs within  
66 minutes of the sensing of stress by a single tissue (driven by rapid systemic signaling), serves an  
67 important role in plant acclimation, triggering many of the slower acclimation responses that  
68 include the activation of multiple gene networks and adjustments of metabolism, that may take  
69 tens of minutes to hours (Kollist et al., 2019; Mittler et al., 2022).

70 Over the years, several different rapid systemic signals were identified in plants (Miller et al.,  
71 2009; Christmann et al., 2013; Toyota et al., 2018; Farmer et al., 2020; Fichman and Mittler,  
72 2021a; Fichman and Mittler, 2021b). These include the reactive oxygen species (ROS) wave, the  
73 calcium wave, electric signals, the redox wave, and hydraulic waves. While electric, calcium,  
74 and hydraulic signals were found to be dependent on the function of the glutamate receptor-like  
75 (GLR) 3.3 and 3.6 channels (Toyota et al., 2018; Farmer et al., 2020; Fichman and Mittler,  
76 2021a), the ROS wave was found to be dependent on the function of the respiratory burst  
77 oxidase homolog (RBOH) proteins (RBOHD and RBOHF), and the ROS sensor H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>-induced

78  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  increases 1 (HPCA1), in *Arabidopsis* (*Arabidopsis thaliana*) (Miller et al., 2009; Zandalinas  
79 et al., 2020b; Fichman et al., 2022). In addition, many of the different rapid systemic signals  
80 were found to be mediated through the plant vascular system and to be dependent on each other  
81 (Farmer et al., 2020; Zandalinas et al., 2020b; Zandalinas and Mittler, 2021). However,  
82 differences between rapid systemic signaling in response to excess light stress (high light; HL)  
83 and mechanical injury were recently reported (Fichman and Mittler, 2021a), demonstrating that  
84 different local stimuli may trigger different combinations of these waves that are regulated by  
85 different sets of proteins.

86 In addition to coordinating systemic transcriptomic and metabolic responses of plants to stress,  
87 the ROS wave was recently found to coordinate the systemic stomatal responses of different  
88 leaves to a local exposure of HL, heat stress (HS), or injury (Devireddy et al., 2018; Devireddy et  
89 al., 2020a; Devireddy et al., 2020b; Zandalinas et al., 2020a). The closure of stomata on treated  
90 leaves in response to HL or wounding, or stomatal opening of the local leaf in response to a  
91 localized HS, were therefore propagated to the rest of the plant within minutes, in a process that  
92 required the function of the ROS wave (Devireddy et al., 2018; Devireddy et al., 2020a;  
93 Zandalinas et al., 2020a). These findings prompted studies of the role of different plant hormones  
94 in rapid systemic responses to abiotic stress.

95 The plant hormones abscisic acid (ABA), salicylic acid (SA), and jasmonic acid (JA) were found  
96 to accumulate in local and systemic leaves of plants in response to a local HL or heat stress  
97 treatments (Suzuki et al., 2013; Devireddy et al., 2018; Zandalinas et al., 2020a). ABA  
98 accumulation was further found to be required for local and systemic SA and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$   
99 accumulation, as well as for systemic stomatal aperture changes, in response to a local HL stress  
100 (Devireddy et al., 2018; Devireddy et al., 2020a). JA was found to be required for local and  
101 systemic stomatal aperture changes in response to a local HL stress, and SA was found to be  
102 required for systemic, but not local stomatal aperture changes, in response to a local HL stress  
103 (Devireddy et al., 2020a; Zandalinas et al., 2020a). Although the studies described above  
104 revealed a role for ABA, JA, and SA in rapid systemic signaling, many questions regarding their  
105 function remained unanswered. For example, it is unknown what is the role of ABA, JA, and SA  
106 in mediating SAA to HL stress. In addition, the role of ABA, JA and SA in systemic wound  
107 responses is unclear. Furthermore, the role of several other stress-related hormones, such as

108 ethylene (ET) and strigolactones (SLs) in rapid systemic responses is unknown. To address these  
109 questions, we studied the local and systemic accumulation of ROS in different mutants deficient  
110 in ABA, JA, SA, ET, and SL biosynthesis or signaling to HL stress or wounding, as well as the  
111 SAA response of these mutants to HL stress.

112 Here we report that JA and SA play antagonistic roles in regulating the ROS wave. While JA  
113 suppresses the ROS wave during responses to HL stress, or wounding, SA augments the intensity  
114 of the ROS waves in response to these treatments. We further show that ET plays a role in the  
115 regulation of the ROS wave in response to wounding (but not HL stress), and that SLs do not  
116 play a role in responses to these two stresses. Interestingly, we found that the redox-response  
117 protein NONEXPRESSOR OF PATHOGENESIS RELATED PROTEIN 1 (NPR1) is required  
118 for systemic (but not local) ROS accumulation in response to HL stress or wounding, as well as  
119 for local and systemic acclimation to HL stress. This finding suggests that redox changes  
120 mediated by the ROS wave (Fichman and Mittler, 2021b) could regulate transcript expression in  
121 systemic tissues through SA- or ROS-mediated redox regulation, and that JA antagonizes these  
122 responses. Taken together, our findings suggest that SA and JA play antagonistic roles in  
123 regulating the ROS wave and that this regulation may be partially mediated by NPR1 in systemic  
124 tissues.

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## 126 **RESULTS**

### 127 **ABA biosynthesis is required for systemic ROS responses to wounding and SAA to HL** 128 **stress**

129 We previously reported that ABA levels transiently accumulate in local and systemic leaves of  
130 plants subjected to a local treatment of HL or HS (Suzuki et al., 2013; Devireddy et al., 2018;  
131 Zandalinas et al., 2020a). We further revealed that ABA biosynthetic mutants are unable to  
132 trigger H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> accumulation and stomatal closure in local and systemic leaves in response to a  
133 local HL stress treatment (Devireddy et al., 2018; Devireddy et al., 2020a). However, whether  
134 ABA is required for systemic plant acclimation to HL is unknown. In addition, the measurements  
135 of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> in local and systemic tissues in response to HL stress were not performed with our  
136 highly sensitive whole-plant live ROS imaging method (Fichman et al., 2019; Zandalinas and

137 Mittler, 2021; Fichman et al., 2022), and the role of ABA in local and systemic ROS responses  
138 to wounding is unknown. To address these questions, we subjected two different alleles of the  
139 ABA biosynthesis mutant *aba2* (*aba2-11* and *aba2-4*; mutations in AT1G52340 encoding  
140 XANTHOXIN DEHYDROGENASE) to a local treatment of HL stress or wounding and imaged  
141 ROS accumulation in live plants grown in soil. *aba2* mutants were previously reported to retain  
142 10-20% of wild type ABA levels (González-Guzmán et al., 2002). As shown in Figures 1A and  
143 1B, ABA biosynthesis was essential for systemic ROS accumulation of plants in response to a  
144 local treatment of HL stress. ABA biosynthesis was also essential for local and systemic ROS  
145 accumulation in response to a local wounding treatment. The finding that the *aba2-11* mutant  
146 accumulated low levels of ROS in local leaves in response to HL stress (Figure 1A) could  
147 suggest that residual ABA levels found in some of the *aba2* mutants (González-Guzmán et al.,  
148 2002) could be sufficient to drive the HL-mediated ABA-dependent ROS accumulation response  
149 in local leaves, but that this response is not sufficient to trigger systemic ROS accumulation. As  
150 shown in Figure 1C, D, the two *aba2* mutants were unable to acclimate their local and systemic  
151 leaves to HL stress, suggesting that ABA is required for plant acclimation to HL stress even if  
152 ROS levels are enhanced. The results presented in Figure 1 suggest that ABA plays a key role in  
153 local and systemic ROS responses to wounding, in systemic ROS accumulation in response to a  
154 local HL stress, and in local and systemic acclimation of plants to HL stress.

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#### 156 **JA is involved in local and systemic ROS responses to HL stress and wounding, as well as** 157 **in SAA to HL stress**

158 We previously reported that JA accumulates in local and systemic leaves of plants subjected to a  
159 local treatment of HL stress, and that JA signaling is required for local and systemic stomatal  
160 responses of plants to wounding, HL, and HS (Devireddy et al., 2018; Devireddy et al., 2020a;  
161 Zandalinas et al., 2020a). However, the role of JA in plant acclimation to HL stress or systemic  
162 ROS responses to HL or wounding is unknown. To study the role of JA in rapid systemic  
163 signaling to HL stress and wounding we used two different mutants: The JA signaling mutant  
164 *coil* that is deficient in JA perception (mutation in AT2G39940 encoding a protein containing  
165 Leu-rich repeats and a degenerate F-box motif), and the JA biosynthesis mutant *aos1* required  
166 for JA biosynthesis (mutation in AT5G42650 encoding ALLENE OXIDE SYNTHASE). *coil*

167 was previously reported to contain high basal levels of JA (Stotz et al., 2011), and *aos1* was  
168 reported to contain almost no detectable levels of JA (Park et al., 2002). As shown in Figure 2A,  
169 the *coil* mutant was deficient in local and systemic ROS accumulation in response to a local  
170 treatment of HL stress or wounding. In contrast, the *aos1* mutant was not (Figure 2B). As shown  
171 in Figure 2C, the *coil* mutant was also deficient in local and systemic acclimation to HL stress.  
172 In contrast, the *aos1* mutant was not (Figure 2D). The results presented in Figure 2 suggest that  
173 JA sensing by COI1 could play a key role in local and systemic ROS responses to wounding and  
174 HL stress, as well as in SAA to HL stress. Alternatively, the high basal levels of JA in the *coil*  
175 mutant may suppress the ROS wave and SAA via a COI1-independent mechanism (*e.g.*, by  
176 antagonizing SA). In contrast to our results obtained with *coil*, suppressing JA levels in the *aos1*  
177 mutant appeared to only decrease ROS signal accumulation in response to HL stress and  
178 wounding, but had no effect on SAA to HL.

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### 180 **SA and NPR1 are required for local and systemic acclimation to HL stress, and NPR1 is** 181 **required for systemic ROS accumulation in response to HL stress or wounding**

182 We previously reported that SA accumulates in local and systemic leaves of plants subjected to a  
183 local treatment of HL stress, that SA is required for SAA to HS, and that SA is required for  
184 systemic stomatal responses to a local treatment of HL stress (Suzuki et al., 2013; Devireddy et  
185 al., 2018; Devireddy et al., 2020a; Zandalinas et al., 2020a). However, the role of SA in plant  
186 acclimation to HL stress or systemic ROS responses to HL or wounding is unknown. To study  
187 the role of SA in rapid systemic signaling to HL and wounding, we used the *sid2* mutant  
188 (mutation in AT1G74710 encoding ISOCHORISMATE SYNTHASE 1) that is deficient in SA  
189 accumulation (retains 5-10% of wild type SA levels; Nawrath and Métraux, 1999), and the *npr1*  
190 mutant that is deficient in SA sensing (Spoel et al., 2003; Tada et al., 2008; Zhou et al., 2015;  
191 Caarls et al., 2015; Withers and Dong, 2016; Chen et al., 2021). As shown in Figure 3A, local  
192 and systemic ROS accumulation were suppressed in the *sid2* mutant in response to HL stress. In  
193 contrast, only systemic ROS accumulation was suppressed in the *sid2* mutant in response to  
194 wounding (Figure 3A). As shown in Figure 3B, while local accumulation of ROS was not  
195 suppressed in the *npr1* mutant in response to a local HL stress or wounding, systemic ROS  
196 accumulation was suppressed in the *npr1* mutant in response to both treatments. As shown in

197 Figure 3C and 3D, local and systemic acclimation to HL stress were abolished in both the *sid2*  
198 and *npr1* mutants. The findings that NPR1 is required for systemic (but not local) ROS  
199 accumulation in response a local wounding or HL stress treatments (Figure 3B), as well as for  
200 local and systemic acclimation to HL stress (Figure 3D), suggest that the ROS wave is triggered  
201 in local tissues of the *npr1* mutant in response to local wounding or HL stress, but that it does not  
202 spread to systemic leaves and does not induce SAA to HL stress in local or systemic tissues. To  
203 test whether PATHOGENESIS RELATED 1 (PR1) expression is corresponding with this  
204 phenotype of the *npr1* mutant, we tested the expression of PR-1 in local and systemic leaves of  
205 WT and *npr1* plants subjected to a local HL stress or wounding treatment. As shown in Figure  
206 3E, the expression of PR-1, that is associated with responses to pathogens, HL stress and  
207 ROS/redox (Spoel et al., 2003; Tada et al., 2008; Zhou et al., 2015), was suppressed in local and  
208 systemic leaves of the *npr1* mutant in response to a local treatment of HL stress or wounding.  
209 This finding demonstrates that NPR1 is required for systemic expression of PR-1 in response to  
210 wounding or HL stress. Taken together, the findings presented in Figure 3 suggest that SA is  
211 essential for local and systemic acclimation to HL stress, and that NPR1 could play a key role in  
212 ROS accumulation and signaling in systemic tissues of plants subjected to HL stress or  
213 wounding.

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### 215 **JA suppresses the ROS wave, while SA augments it in response to a local treatment of HL** 216 **stress or wounding**

217 JA and SA were previously found to play antagonistic roles in mediating the response of plants  
218 to pathogens and other stresses, and this role was partially linked to the activation and nuclear  
219 localization of NPR1 (*e.g.*, Spoel et al., 2003; Tada et al., 2008; Zhou et al., 2015; Caarls et al.,  
220 2015; Withers and Dong, 2016; Chen et al., 2021). Because our findings suggest that JA and SA  
221 could play antagonistic roles in mediating the ROS wave during responses to HL stress and  
222 wounding (Figures 2 and 3), we tested whether application of JA or SA would affect the ROS  
223 wave triggered by these stresses. For this purpose, we applied 20  $\mu$ M JA or 1 mM SA to wild  
224 type plants via fumigation prior to local stress application and measured local and systemic ROS  
225 accumulation in the presence or absence of JA or SA. As shown in Figure 4A, application of JA  
226 prior to the local HL stress or wounding treatments suppressed the ROS wave response of plants



227 to these treatments. In contrast, as shown in Figure 4B, application of SA prior to the local HL  
228 stress or wounding treatments augmented the systemic ROS wave response of plants to these  
229 treatments. The findings presented in Figure 4 support our findings presented in Figures 2 and 3  
230 and suggest that JA and SA play antagonistic roles in regulating the ROS wave response of  
231 plants; JA suppresses it, while SA promotes it.

232 Because the basal levels of JA and SA could play a key role in triggering the ROS wave,  
233 we measured the levels of JA, SA and ABA in the local and systemic leaves of untreated wild  
234 type and the *coi1*, *aos1-1*, *sid2* and *npr1-1* mutants. As shown in Supplementary Figure 1A, and  
235 in agreement with Stotz et al., (2011), the levels of JA were higher in untreated *coi1* plants,  
236 compared to untreated wild type plants. In contrast, the levels of JA were lower than that of  
237 control in local leaves of untreated *aos1-1* and *npr1-1* plants. As shown in Supplementary Figure  
238 1B, the levels of SA were suppressed in the local or systemic leaves of the *coi1* and *sid2* mutants,  
239 further supporting the finding that *coi1* has higher levels of JA. Interestingly, as shown in  
240 Supplementary Figure 1C, the levels of ABA were higher than control in the local leaves of all  
241 untreated mutants.

242 Because JA was able to suppress the ROS wave in wild type plants subjected to a local  
243 treatment of HL stress or wounding (Figure 4A), and the ROS wave was not suppressed in the  
244 *aos1-1* mutant (Figure 2B), that has suppressed levels of JA (Supplementary Figure 1A), we  
245 tested whether application of JA to the *aos1-1* mutant will suppress the ROS wave in this mutant  
246 in response to a local treatment of HL or wounding. As shown in Figure 4C and 4D, prior  
247 treatment of the *aos1-1* mutant with JA suppressed the ROS wave triggered in this mutant in  
248 response to HL stress or wounding. This finding supported the role of JA in suppressing the ROS  
249 wave during responses to HL stress or wounding.

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251 **ET is essential for systemic ROS accumulation in response to local wounding, while SLs**  
252 **appear to not play a role in systemic responses to HL or wounding stresses**

253 ET is involved in many stress responses of plants, as well as in different developmental  
254 processes (Gamble et al., 1998; Alonso et al., 1999). However, little is known about the role of  
255 ET in systemic ROS responses of plants to stress. To study the potential roles of ET in local and

256 systemic responses to HL stress and wounding we subjected two ET sensing mutants, *ein2*  
257 (mutation in AT5G03280) and *etr1* (mutation in AT1G66340), both transmembrane proteins  
258 required for triggering ET responses in Arabidopsis (Gamble et al., 1998; Alonso et al., 1999), to  
259 a local treatment of HL stress or wounding and measured local and systemic ROS accumulation.  
260 As shown in Figure 5A and 5B, ET sensing by EIN2 and ETR1 was not required for local or  
261 systemic ROS accumulation in response to HL stress. In contrast, ET sensing by these two  
262 proteins was required for systemic, but not local, ROS accumulation in response to wounding  
263 (Figure 5A, 5B). As shown in Figure 5C and 5D, both *etr1* and *ein2* could acclimate to HL  
264 stress. The findings presented in Figure 5A-D reveal that ET could be playing a role in systemic  
265 ROS accumulation in response to wounding.

266 Strigolactones play important roles in plant-pathogen interactions and developmental  
267 responses to abiotic stress (Saeed et al., 2017). To test whether SLs play an important role in  
268 local and systemic responses to HL stress and wounding, we used the SL mutants *max2* involved  
269 in SL sensing (mutation in AT2G42620 encoding an F-box leucine-rich repeat protein), and  
270 *max3* involved in SL biosynthesis (mutation in AT2G44990 encoding CAROTENOID  
271 CLEAVAGE DIOXYGENASE 7). As shown in Supplementary Figure 2, *max2* and *max3* were  
272 not deficient in their local or systemic ROS accumulation in response to wounding or HL stress,  
273 or in SAA to HL. These results suggest that SLs might not be involved in rapid responses to  
274 wounding or HL stress.

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## 276 **DISCUSSION**

277 We previously reported that ABA, JA, and SA play important roles in regulating local and  
278 systemic stomatal responses to a local application of HL stress (Devireddy et al., 2018;  
279 Devireddy et al., 2020a; Zandalinas et al., 2020a). ABA, SA, and JA rapidly accumulate in local  
280 and systemic leaves of plants in response to a local HL or heat stress treatments (Suzuki et al.,  
281 2013; Devireddy et al., 2018; Zandalinas et al., 2020a), while JA rapidly accumulates in local  
282 and systemic leaves in response to wounding (Glauser et al., 2009). ABA is required for local  
283 and systemic SA and H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> accumulation, as well as for systemic stomatal aperture changes, in  
284 response to a local HL stress (Devireddy et al., 2018; Devireddy et al., 2020a), while JA is  
285 required for local and systemic stomatal aperture changes in response to a local HL stress, and

286 SA is required for systemic, but not local stomatal aperture changes, in response to a local HL  
287 stress (Devireddy et al., 2020a; Zandalinas et al., 2020a). The rapid accumulation of these  
288 hormones in local and systemic tissues in response to stress is thought to result from rapid  
289 synthesis (JA; Glauser et al., 2009), or release from conjugated/stored forms (SA/ABA; Suzuki  
290 et al., 2013; Kollist et al., 2019). Nevertheless, the role some of these hormones (*e.g.*, ABA) play  
291 in SAA to HL stress, or SWR is not clear. Our current study reveals an important function for  
292 ABA and SA in plant acclimation to HL stress, as well as in regulating the ROS wave in  
293 response to HL stress and wounding (Figures 1 and 3). In addition, we reveal a role for ABA and  
294 ET in systemic ROS responses to wounding (Figures 1 and 5). Interestingly, while ABA was  
295 required for local and systemic ROS responses to HL and wounding (that may involve ET  
296 responses; Cheng et al., 2009; please see below), ET signaling was only required for systemic  
297 ROS responses to wounding (Figures 1 and 5). This finding is in agreement with our previous  
298 findings that the systemic ROS response of plants to wounding is different than that to HL stress  
299 (*i.e.*, depended on different regulators and could occur through different plants tissues; *e.g.*,  
300 systemic ROS responses to HL are mediated through the vascular system and may not require  
301 glutamate-like receptors 3.3 and 3.6, while systemic ROS responses to wounding are mediated  
302 through the vascular system or mesophyll cells and are dependent on glutamate-like receptors 3.3  
303 and 3.6; Zandalinas et al., 2020b; Fichman and Mittler, 2021a; Zandalinas and Mittler, 2021). It  
304 is also possible that HL stress or wounding trigger different sources of ROS production (Fichman  
305 et al., 2021; Xiong et al., 2021), and that although both require ABA, local ROS responses to  
306 wounding do not require ET. Previous studies have shown that ABA and ET have antagonistic  
307 interactions and that in the *aba2* mutant some ET responses are suppressed (Cheng et al., 2009).  
308 This finding could explain why in the *aba2* mutant systemic ROS wave responses to wounding,  
309 that require ET signaling (Figure 5), are suppressed (Figure 1). Further studies are required to  
310 address the sources of local ROS produced during HL stress or wounding and their interactions  
311 with different plant hormones and other regulators (*e.g.*, phytochrome B; Fichman et al., 2021;  
312 Xiong et al., 2021). In addition, the role of the chloroplast, which is the initial site of ABA, SA,  
313 and other plant hormone biosynthesis during these responses, as well as the different plant  
314 tissues involved, need to be defined in future studies in different local and systemic tissues  
315 during responses to different stresses.

316 In contrast to SA and ABA, the involvement of JA in regulating the rapid systemic response of  
317 plants to HL stress or wounding appears to be more complicated (Figures 2 and 4). JA was  
318 initially shown to be required for local and systemic stomatal responses to HL stress (Devireddy  
319 et al., 2018; Devireddy et al., 2020a), and as shown in Figure 2, JA sensing by COI1 is also  
320 required for local and systemic ROS production and plant acclimation to a local treatment of HL  
321 stress. However, because the *aos1* mutant that does not accumulate JA (Park et al., 2002;  
322 Supplemental Figure 2) can still accumulate local and systemic ROS and acclimate to a local HL  
323 stress treatment (Figure 2), it is possible that the role of COI1 in these responses is independent  
324 of JA signaling. In this respect it should be noted that COI1 was found to have JA-independent  
325 functions (e.g., Stotz et al., 2011). An alternative possibility, that appears more plausible, is that  
326 in the *coi1* mutant the basal levels of JA are high (due to a positive feedback loop on JA  
327 synthesis; similar to what happens in the *abil* mutant with ABA; Devireddy et al., 2018), and  
328 that these high levels of JA antagonize SA function and cause the *coi1* mutant to not acclimate or  
329 accumulate ROS. In this respect it should be noted that the *coi1* mutant was found to have high  
330 basal levels of JA, supporting this possibility (Stotz et al., 2011; Supplementary Figure 2).  
331 Moreover, treatment of the *aos1-1* mutant with JA, suppressed the ROS wave in this mutant in  
332 response to HL or wounding (Figures 4C and 4D), further suggesting that JA plays a suppressing  
333 role in ROS wave propagation.

334 Antagonistic interactions between SA and JA were previously reported in many studies (e.g.,  
335 Spoel et al., 2003; Tada et al., 2008; Zhou et al., 2015; Caarls et al., 2015; Withers and Dong,  
336 2016; Chen et al., 2021). We previously observed that when a combination of HS and HL was  
337 applied to the same local Arabidopsis leaf, the ROS wave response originating from this leaf was  
338 suppressed (Zandalinas et al., 2020a). Both HS and HL treatments resulted in the accumulation  
339 of SA and JA in the local leaf, suggesting that this suppression could result from antagonistic  
340 interactions between JA and SA (Zandalinas et al., 2020a). Indeed, we found that in the *aos1*  
341 mutant the suppression of the ROS wave at the local leaf during the stress combination was  
342 removed, supporting the hypothesis that SA and JA antagonize the function of each other, and  
343 that JA might suppress the initiation of the ROS wave (Zandalinas et al., 2020a). In the current  
344 work we clearly show that application of JA suppresses, and application of SA promotes, the  
345 ROS wave in response to HL stress or wounding (Figure 4). Taken together, our results suggest  
346 that in the *coi1* mutant the high basal levels of JA (Stotz et al., 2011; Supplementary Figure 2)

347 antagonize the function of SA, and that SA and JA have antagonistic functions in regulating the  
348 ROS wave (Figure 4, 5E). Of course, JA sensing could still play an important role in plant  
349 acclimation to HL stress and further studies are needed to address this question.

350 One protein, previously proposed to be at the core of SA-JA antagonistic interactions, is NPR1  
351 (*e.g.*, Spoel et al., 2003; Tada et al., 2008; Zhou et al., 2015; Caarls et al., 2015; Withers and  
352 Dong, 2016; Chen et al., 2021). SA was shown to promote the monomerization of NPR1 via  
353 TRX-h3/5 that results in its nuclear localization and activation of transcriptional responses, while  
354 JA was shown to promote S-nitrosylation of NPR1 by S-nitrosoglutathione (GSNO) that keeps it  
355 as a multimer in the cytosol and prevents the activation of transcript expression (Caarls et al.,  
356 2015; Withers and Dong, 2016; Chen et al., 2021). NPR1 was further shown to be post-  
357 translationally regulated by ubiquitinylation, SUMOylation and other post-translational  
358 modifications (Chen et al., 2021). Activation of transcriptional responses by SA was further  
359 shown to antagonize JA function and reverse its S-nitrosylation via GSNO Reductase (Caarls et  
360 al., 2015; Withers and Dong, 2016; Chen et al., 2021). Interestingly, in our hands, NPR1 was  
361 required for the systemic accumulation of ROS in response to a local treatment of HL stress or  
362 wounding, and for local and systemic acclimation to a local treatment of HL stress (Figure 3).  
363 We further show that in the absence of NPR1 (*npr1*) the expression of PR-1 is suppressed in  
364 local and systemic tissues of plants subjected to a local treatment of HL stress or wounding  
365 (Figure 3). Taken together, these findings suggest that NPR1 is required for SA to promote the  
366 ROS wave and trigger some of the transcripts required for plant acclimation to HL stress (Figure  
367 5E). In this respect it should be noted that NPR1 was reported to play a key role as a master  
368 regulator of redox driven responses in the nuclei and to connect environmental cues with the  
369 circadian clock of plants (Zhou et al., 2015). Because the ROS wave is accompanied by a redox  
370 wave (Fichman and Mittler, 2021b), it could trigger different transcriptomic responses through  
371 NPR1 (and other transcriptional regulators such as MYB30; Fichman et al., 2020), that are  
372 modulated by an interplay between JA and SA (Figure 5E). ROS and redox signaling could  
373 therefore intersect with SA and JA signaling through NPR1 and control systemic accumulation  
374 of ROS and systemic plant acclimation to abiotic stresses or wounding (Figure 5E).

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## 377 MATERIALS AND METHODS

### 378 Plant material, growth conditions, and stress treatments

379 Wild-type *Arabidopsis* (*Arabidopsis thaliana*; Col-0) and homozygous knockout mutants (Col-0  
380 background) of *coi1* (SALK\_095916C), *aos1-1* (SALK\_017756C), *sid2* (SALK\_093400C), *npr1*  
381 (SALK\_204100C), *ein2* (CS3071), *etr1* (CS237), *aba2* (CS3835 and *aba2-11*), *max2*  
382 (SALK\_028336C), and *max3* (SALK\_023975C) were grown on peat pellets (Jiffy 7; Jiffy  
383 International, Kristiansand, Norway) for 4 weeks under controlled short-day light conditions of  
384 10-h-light/14-h-dark, 50  $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ , and 21 °C room temperature. Homozygosity of each SALK  
385 line was determined via PCR (primers used are described in Supplemental Table S1). High light  
386 stress was applied using a ColdVision fiber optic LED light source (Schott, Southbridge, MA,  
387 USA) as previously described (Fichman et al., 2019; Fichman et al., 2022). Wounding stress  
388 was applied by puncturing a single leaf with 18 dressmaker pins simultaneously as described in  
389 Fichman et al., (2019).

### 390 Imaging of the ROS wave and hormone fumigation

391 ROS accumulation after administration of stress treatments was imaged and analyzed as  
392 previously described (Fichman et al., 2019). Plants were fumigated for 30 minutes in a glass  
393 aquarium using a nebulizer (Punasi Direct, Hong Kong, China) with solution containing 50  $\mu\text{M}$   
394  $\text{H}_2\text{DCFDA}$  (Sigma-Aldrich, St. Louis, MO, USA) in 0.05M phosphate buffer, pH 7.4, and 0.01%  
395 (v/v) Silwet L-77 (LEHLE seeds, Round Rock, TX, USA). A single local leaf of the fumigated  
396 plant was treated with either high light or wounding stress as described above, and images of  
397 ROS accumulation were captured over the following 30 minutes using the IVIS Lumina S5  
398 system (PerkinElmer, Waltham, MA, USA). Time course images of ROS accumulation were  
399 analyzed using the Living Image 4.7.2 software (PerkinElmer, Waltham, MA, USA).  
400 Measurement of total radiant efficiency in regions of interest (the local and systemic leaves)  
401 were used for data analysis as described in Fichman et al., (2019). Dye penetration controls were  
402 performed by fumigation and imaging with 0.3% (v/v)  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  for 10 minutes following 50  $\mu\text{M}$   
403  $\text{H}_2\text{DCFDA}$  fumigation for 30 minutes (Fichman et al., 2019; Supplementary Figure 3). The  
404 whole-plant live ROS imaging method used in this study was validated in previous studies by  
405 measuring  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  in local and systemic tissues using the Amplex<sup>®</sup>-Red method as described  
406 below (Fichman et al., 2021, 2022; Also shown in Supplemental Figure 4). Hydrogen peroxide in

407 local and systemic leaves was quantified with Amplex<sup>®</sup>-Red (10-Acetyl-3,7-  
408 dihydroxyphenoxazine; ADHP; Thermo Fisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, USA). Leaves were  
409 flash frozen in liquid nitrogen, ground to powder, and resuspended in 50 µl 0.1M trichloroacetic  
410 acid (TCA; Thermo Fisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, USA). Following centrifugation for 15 min  
411 at 12,000 g, 4°C, the supernatant was buffered with 1 M phosphate buffer pH 7.4, and the pellet  
412 dried and used for dry weight calculation. H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> quantification at the supernatant was performed  
413 according to the MyQubit-Amplex<sup>®</sup>-Red Peroxide Assay manual (Thermo Fisher Scientific,  
414 Waltham, MA, USA), using an H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> calibration curve (Thermo Fisher Scientific, Waltham, MA,  
415 USA). Concentration values were normalized to dry weight of each sample (Fichman et al.,  
416 2022). Imaging of the ROS wave following administration of individual hormones was  
417 performed as described above with the addition of 20 µM jasmonic acid (Sigma-Aldrich, St.  
418 Louis, MO, USA) or 1 mM salicylic acid (Sigma-Aldrich, St. Louis, MO, USA) to the  
419 fumigation solution prior to stress treatment and imaging.

#### 420 **Systemic acquired acclimation following HL stress**

421 Damage caused by HL stress was measured as previously described (Zandalinas et al., 2019;  
422 Fichman et al., 2020). High light stress (2000 µmol photons m<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>) was applied to either a local  
423 or a systemic leaf of a plant for 45 minutes to serve as the HL damage control. Following HL  
424 treatment, the exposed leaf was immediately sampled and placed in a tube containing 10 mL of  
425 ddH<sub>2</sub>O and moved to a gentle shaker for one hour. After one hour, the electrolytic leakage was  
426 measured for each sample (treated, untreated, local, or systemic) using a conductivity meter  
427 Oakton CON 700 (Thermo Fisher Scientific, Vernon Hills, IL, USA). The samples were then  
428 boiled for 20 minutes. The boiled samples were moved to a shaker for one hour and the  
429 electrolytic leakage was measured for a second time. This process was also performed for plants  
430 receiving no HL treatment (untreated controls) and for plants that received 10 minutes of HL  
431 stress followed by a 50-minute incubation period under controlled conditions prior to the 45  
432 minutes of HL that allows for acclimation to occur. The percentage of electrolytic leakage in  
433 each sample was determined by dividing the pre-boiling measurement of electrolytic leakage by  
434 the post-boiling electrolytic leakage in each sample.

#### 435 **Transcript expression analysis**

436 The transcriptional responses to each stress (HL or wounding) were analyzed in local and  
437 systemic leaves at 0-, 10-, and 20-minute timepoints after application of the stress treatment as  
438 described in Fichman et al., (2020). Local and systemic leaves, located at 137.5° angle from the  
439 locally treated leaf in the plant rosette, were sampled for analysis. Following stress application,  
440 plants were sampled at the different time points and RNA was isolated. RNA extraction and  
441 purification were performed using RNeasy kit (Qiagen, Hilden, Germany) as described by the  
442 manufacturer's instructions and complementary DNA was synthesized for reverse-transcription  
443 quantitative PCR (RT-qPCR; Primescript RT Reagent Kit, Takara Bio, Kusatsu, Japan). RT-  
444 qPCR analysis was performed for the gene *PRI* (AT2G14610) with iQ SYBR Green supermix  
445 (Bio-Rad Laboratories, Hercules, CA, USA) and the CFX Connect Real-Time PCR Detection  
446 System (Bio-Rad Laboratories, Hercules, CA, USA) as described in Fichman et al., (2020). The  
447 forward and reverse primer sequences used for the analysis of the *PRI* transcriptional response  
448 were CGAACACGTGCAATGGAGTT and CACTTTGGCACATCCGAGTCT, respectively.  
449 Relative gene expression ( $2^{-\Delta\Delta CT}$ ) was quantified using *ELONGATION FACTOR 1A* as the  
450 internal control (GAGCCCAAGTTTTTGAAGA and TAAACTGTTCTTCCAAGCTCCA). The  
451 relative increase in gene expression following stress treatment in each sample is shown as the  
452 increase compared to the untreated local sample that was collected alongside the treated samples.

### 453 **Hormone measurements**

454 Hormone extraction and quantification were performed as previously described (Balfagón et al.,  
455 2019; Sinha et al., 2022). Chromatographic separation was conducted on a reverse-phase C18  
456 column (Gravity, 50 × 2.1 mm, 1.8 μm particle size; Macherey-Nagel GmbH, Dueren, Germany)  
457 using a MeOH : H<sub>2</sub>O (both supplemented with 0.1% (v/v) acetic acid) gradient at a flow rate of  
458 300 μl min<sup>-1</sup>. Hormones were quantified with a TQS triple quadrupole mass spectrometer  
459 (Micromass, Manchester, UK). All data were acquired and processed using Mass Lynx v.4.1  
460 software.

### 461 **Statistical analysis**

462 Two-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) followed by a Tukey post hoc test was conducted for  
463 statistical analysis. Letters represent a statistically significant difference of at least p<0.05.  
464 Results for each experiment are displayed as box-and-whisker plots, with the borders  
465 corresponding to the 25<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentiles of the data. Each data value is included as a point



466 within each box plot, with the horizontal line representing the median and ‘X’ corresponding to  
467 the mean. Data points for ROS imaging are depicted as the determined total radiant efficiency  
468 ( $[p/s] / [\mu W/cm^2]$ ) calculated within a chosen region of interest (ROI). Data for systemic  
469 acquired acclimation experiments is displayed as the relative amount of electrolytic leakage  
470 (shown as percent of control, with untreated local or systemic tissue acting as the control).

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472 Sequence data from this article can be found in the GenBank/EMBL data libraries under  
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474 - NM\_120406.5; *ETR1* - NM\_105305.4; *GLR 3.3* - NM\_103438.3; *GLR 3.6* - NM\_115007.4;  
475 *HPCA1* - NM\_124354.3; *RBOHD* - NM\_124165.3; *RBOHF* - NM\_105079.3; *MAX2* -  
476 NM\_129823.3; *MAX3* - NM\_001337112.1; *NPR1* - NM\_105102.3; *PRI* - NM\_127025.3; *SID2*  
477 - NM\_127025.3.

#### 478 **Supplemental data**

479 **Supplemental Figure S1.** Basal levels of JA, SA, and ABA in wild type and the *coil*, *aos1-1*,  
480 *sid2*, and *npr1-1* mutants.

481 **Supplemental Figure S2.** Strigolactones are not required for the triggering of the ROS wave in  
482 local and systemic tissues, or for plant acclimation to HL stress.

483 **Supplemental Figure S3.** Mutants deficient in hormone production or signaling responses show  
484 no deficiency in absorption of fluorescent dye via fumigation.

485 **Supplemental Figure S4.** H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> quantification in local and systemic leaves of wild type (Col-0),  
486 *npr1-1*, *coil*, *aba2-4*, and *aos1-1*, untreated or subjected to a local treatment of HL stress or  
487 wounding.

488 **Supplemental Table S1.** Primers for genotyping via PCR.

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498 **FIGURE LEGENDS**

499 **Figure 1.** Abscisic acid is required for acclimation to high light stress and the initiation of the  
500 ROS wave following wounding. **(A)** *Arabidopsis* plants were subjected to a high light (HL)  
501 stress or wounding treatment applied to a single leaf (L, Local), and ROS accumulation was  
502 imaged, using H<sub>2</sub>DCFDA, in whole plants. Representative time-lapse images of whole plant  
503 ROS accumulation in wild type and *aba2-11* plants are shown alongside box plots of combined  
504 data from all plants used for the analysis at the 0- and 30-min time points (L and systemic [S]  
505 leaves). **(B)** Similar to A, except for the *aba2-4* mutant. **(C)** Ion leakage measurements of L and  
506 S leaves in Col-0 and *aba2-11* plants following HL stress. Local and systemic leaves that were  
507 exposed to an extended period of HL stress with no pretreatment (highlight), pretreated with HL  
508 for a short period of time and allowed to incubate prior to extended light exposure (local  
509 acclimated, La; and systemic acclimated, Sa), and control plants receiving no pretreatment, were  
510 measured. **(D)** Similar to C, except for the *aba2-4* mutant. All experiments were repeated at least  
511 three times with three plants per repeat. Two-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) followed by  
512 the Tukey post hoc test was conducted for statistical analysis. Letters represent a statistically  
513 significant difference of at least  $p < 0.05$ . Results for each experiment are displayed as box-and-  
514 whisker plots, with the borders corresponding to the 25<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentiles of the data. Each  
515 data value is included as a point within each box plot, with the horizontal line representing the  
516 median and 'X' corresponding to the mean. Whiskers represent 1.5 times the minimum and  
517 maximum of the mean (1.5 times of the interquartile range).

518 **Figure 2.** Jasmonic acid insensitive mutants fail to acclimate to high light stress or induce a ROS  
519 wave response following a local treatment of high light or wounding. **(A)** *Arabidopsis* plants  
520 were subjected to a high light (HL) stress or wounding treatment applied to a single leaf (L,  
521 Local), and ROS accumulation was imaged, using H<sub>2</sub>DCFDA, in whole plants. Representative  
522 time-lapse images of whole plant ROS accumulation in wild type and *coi1* plants are shown  
523 alongside box plots of combined data from all plants used for the analysis at the 0- and 30-min

524 time points (L and systemic [S] leaves). **(B)** Similar to A, except for the *aos1-1* mutant. **(C)** Ion  
525 leakage measurements of L and S leaves in Col-0 and *coil* plants following HL stress. Local and  
526 systemic leaves that were exposed to an extended period of HL stress with no pretreatment  
527 (highlight), pretreated with HL for a short period of time and allowed to incubate prior to  
528 extended light exposure (local acclimated, La; and systemic acclimated, Sa), and control plants  
529 receiving no pretreatment, were measured. **(D)** Similar to C, except for the *aos1-1* mutant. All  
530 experiments were repeated at least three times with three plants per repeat. Two-way analysis of  
531 variance (ANOVA) followed by the Tukey post hoc test was conducted for statistical analysis.  
532 Letters represent a statistically significant difference of at least  $p < 0.05$ . Results for each  
533 experiment are displayed as box-and-whisker plots, with the borders corresponding to the 25<sup>th</sup>  
534 and 75<sup>th</sup> percentiles of the data. Each data value is included as a point within each box plot, with  
535 the horizontal line representing the median and 'X' corresponding to the mean.  
536 Whiskers represent 1.5 times the minimum and maximum of the mean (1.5 times of the  
537 interquartile range).

538 **Figure 3.** Salicylic acid mutants are deficient in acclimation to high light stress and the ROS  
539 wave is unable to propagate to the systemic tissues in the *npr1-1* mutant. **(A)** *Arabidopsis* plants  
540 were subjected to a high light (HL) stress or wounding treatment applied to a single leaf (L,  
541 Local), and ROS accumulation was imaged, using H<sub>2</sub>DCFDA, in whole plants. Representative  
542 time-lapse images of whole plant ROS accumulation in wild type and *sid2* plants are shown  
543 alongside box plots of combined data from all plants used for the analysis at the 0- and 30-min  
544 time points (L and systemic [S] leaves). **(B)** Similar to A, except for the *npr1-1* mutant. **(C)** Ion  
545 leakage measurements of L and S leaves in Col-0 and *sid2* plants following HL stress. Local and  
546 systemic leaves that were exposed to an extended period of HL stress with no pretreatment  
547 (highlight), pretreated with HL for a short period of time and allowed to incubate prior to  
548 extended light exposure (local acclimated, La; and systemic acclimated, Sa), and control plants  
549 receiving no pretreatment, were measured. **(D)** Similar to C, except for the *npr1-1* mutant. **(E)**  
550 Reverse transcription quantitative polymerase chain reaction (RT-qPCR) analysis for *PR-1*  
551 steady-state transcript levels in local and systemic leaves of wild type (Col-0) and *npr1-1* plants  
552 following highlight or wounding of a single leaf. Transcript expression is represented as the  
553 relative quantity ( $2^{-\Delta\Delta CT}$ ) compared to an internal control (elongation factor 1 $\alpha$ ) in unwounded  
554 local tissue of wild-type (time 0). All experiments were repeated at least three times with three

555 plants per repeat. Two-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) followed by the Tukey post hoc test  
556 was conducted for statistical analysis. Letters represent a statistically significant difference of at  
557 least  $p < 0.05$ . Results for each experiment are displayed as box-and-whisker plots, with the  
558 borders corresponding to the 25<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentiles of the data. Each data value is included as a  
559 point within each box plot, with the horizontal line representing the median and 'X'  
560 corresponding to the mean. Whiskers represent 1.5 times the minimum and maximum of the  
561 mean (1.5 times of the interquartile range).

562 **Figure 4.** JA suppresses the ROS wave while SA augments it in response to either high light or  
563 wounding of a local tissue. **(A)** *Arabidopsis* plants were untreated or pretreated with jasmonic  
564 acid, subjected to wounding (Top) or a high light (HL) stress (Bottom) applied to a single leaf (L,  
565 Local), and ROS accumulation was imaged, using H<sub>2</sub>DCFDA, in whole plants. Representative  
566 time-lapse images of whole plant ROS accumulation in treated and untreated wild type plants are  
567 shown alongside box plots of combined data from all plants used for the analysis at the 0- and  
568 30-min time points (L and systemic [S] leaves). **(B)** Similar to A, except that plants were  
569 untreated or pretreated with salicylic acid before wounding treatments or HL stress were applied.  
570 **(C)** Similar to A (Top), except for the *aos1-1* mutant. **(D)** Similar to A (Bottom), except for the  
571 *aos1-1* mutant. All experiments were repeated at least three times with three plants per repeat.  
572 Two-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) followed by the Tukey post hoc test was conducted for  
573 statistical analysis. Letters represent a statistically significant difference of at least  $p < 0.05$ .  
574 Results for each experiment are displayed as box-and-whisker plots, with the borders  
575 corresponding to the 25<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentiles of the data. Each data value is included as a point  
576 within each box plot, with the horizontal line representing the median and 'X' corresponding to  
577 the mean. Whiskers represent 1.5 times the minimum and maximum of the mean (1.5 times of  
578 the interquartile range).

579 **Figure 5.** Ethylene insensitive mutants are unable to mount a systemic ROS wave response  
580 following a local wounding treatment, and a model. **(A)** *Arabidopsis* plants were subjected to a  
581 high light (HL) stress or wounding treatments applied to a single leaf (L, Local), and ROS  
582 accumulation was imaged, using H<sub>2</sub>DCFDA, in whole plants. Representative time-lapse images  
583 of whole plant ROS accumulation in wild type and *ein2* plants are shown alongside box plots of  
584 combined data from all plants used for the analysis at the 0- and 30-min time points (L and

585 systemic [S] leaves). **(B)** Similar to A, except for the *etr1-1* mutant. **(C)** Ion leakage  
586 measurements of L and S leaves in Col-0 and *ein2* plants following HL stress. Local and  
587 systemic leaves that were exposed to an extended period of HL stress with no pretreatment  
588 (highlight), pretreated with HL for a short period of time and allowed to incubate prior to  
589 extended light exposure (local acclimated, La; and systemic acclimated, Sa), and control plants  
590 receiving no pretreatment, were measured. **(D)** Similar to C, except for the *etr1-1* mutant. **(E)** A  
591 model depicting the interactions between different plant hormones, the ROS wave and plant  
592 acclimation. All experiments were repeated at least three times with three plants per repeat. Two-  
593 way analysis of variance (ANOVA) followed by the Tukey post hoc test was conducted for the  
594 statistical analysis. Letters represent a statistically significant difference of at least  $p < 0.05$ .  
595 Results for each experiment are displayed as box-and-whisker plots, with the borders  
596 corresponding to the 25<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentiles of the data. Each data value is included as a point  
597 within each box plot, with the horizontal line representing the median and ‘X’ corresponding to  
598 the mean. Whiskers represent 1.5 times the minimum and maximum of the mean (1.5 times of  
599 the interquartile range). Abbreviations: ABA, abscisic acid; ET, ethylene; JA, jasmonic acid;  
600 NPR1, NONEXPRESSOR OF PR GENES 1; ROS, reactive oxygen species; SA, salicylic acid.

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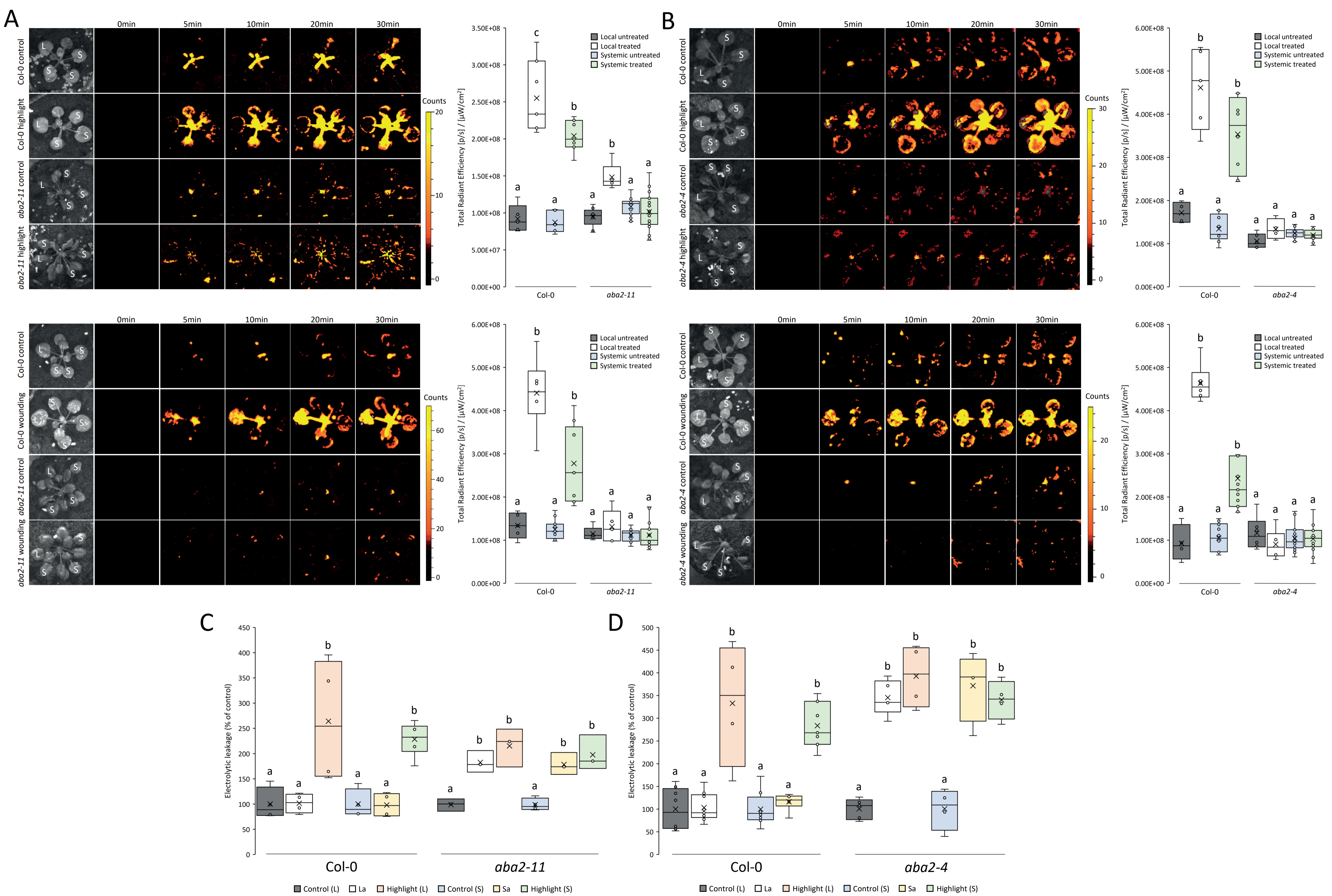
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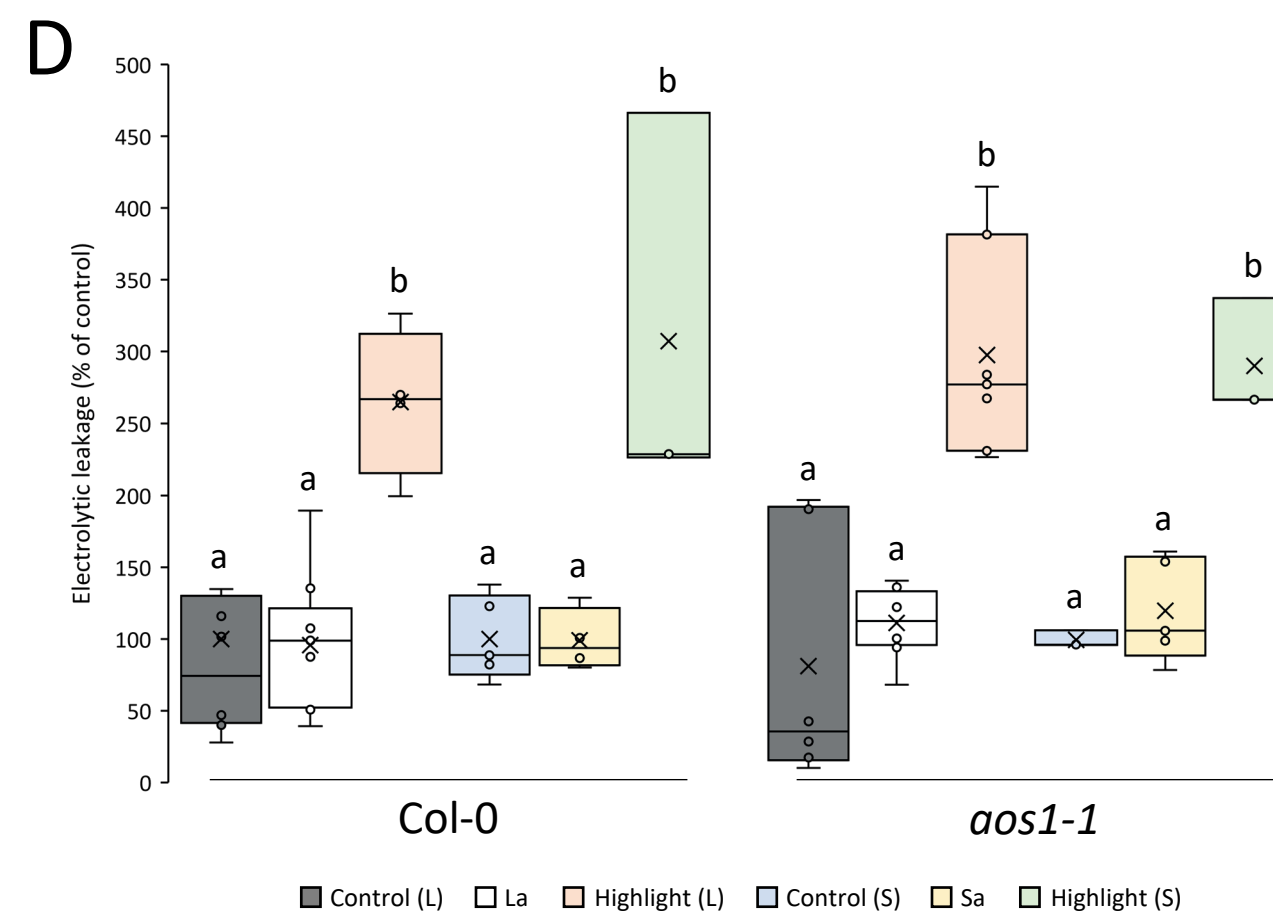
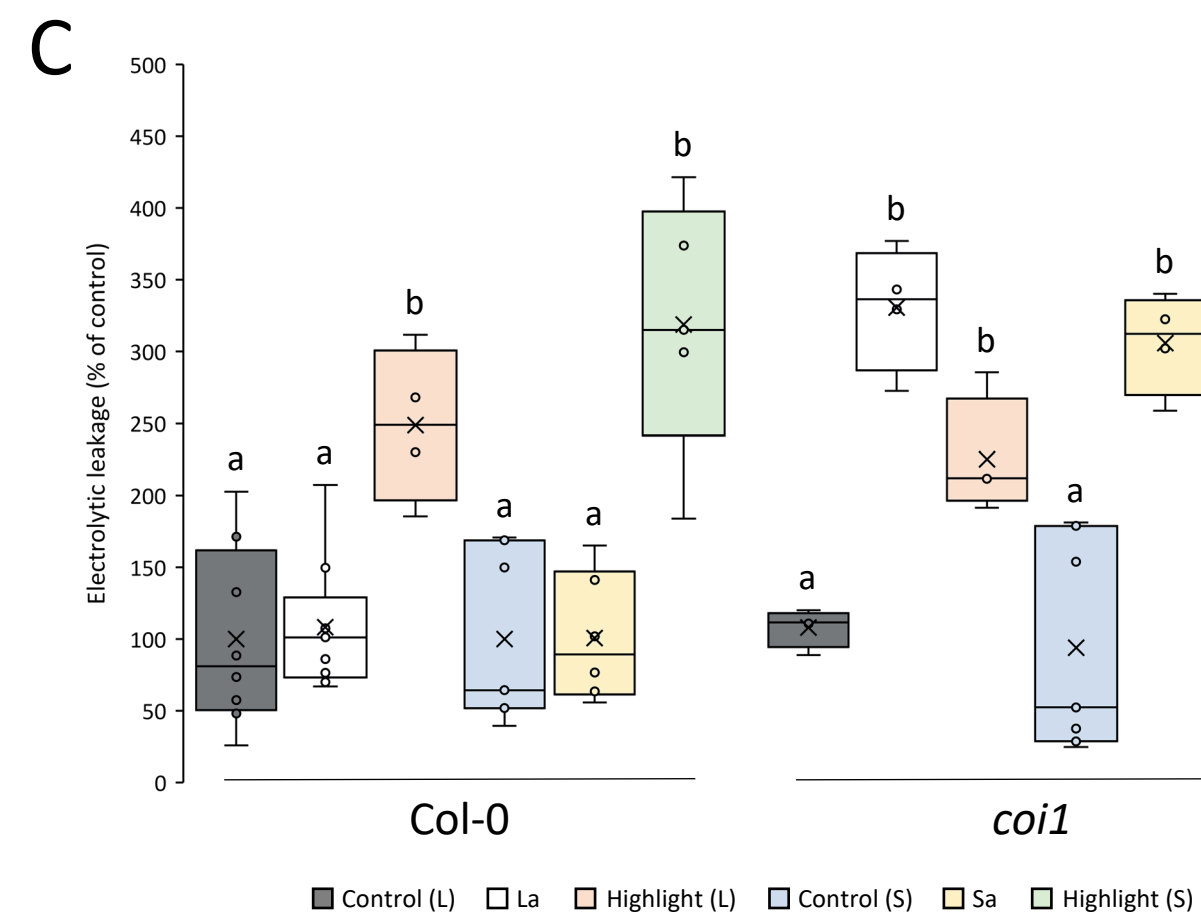
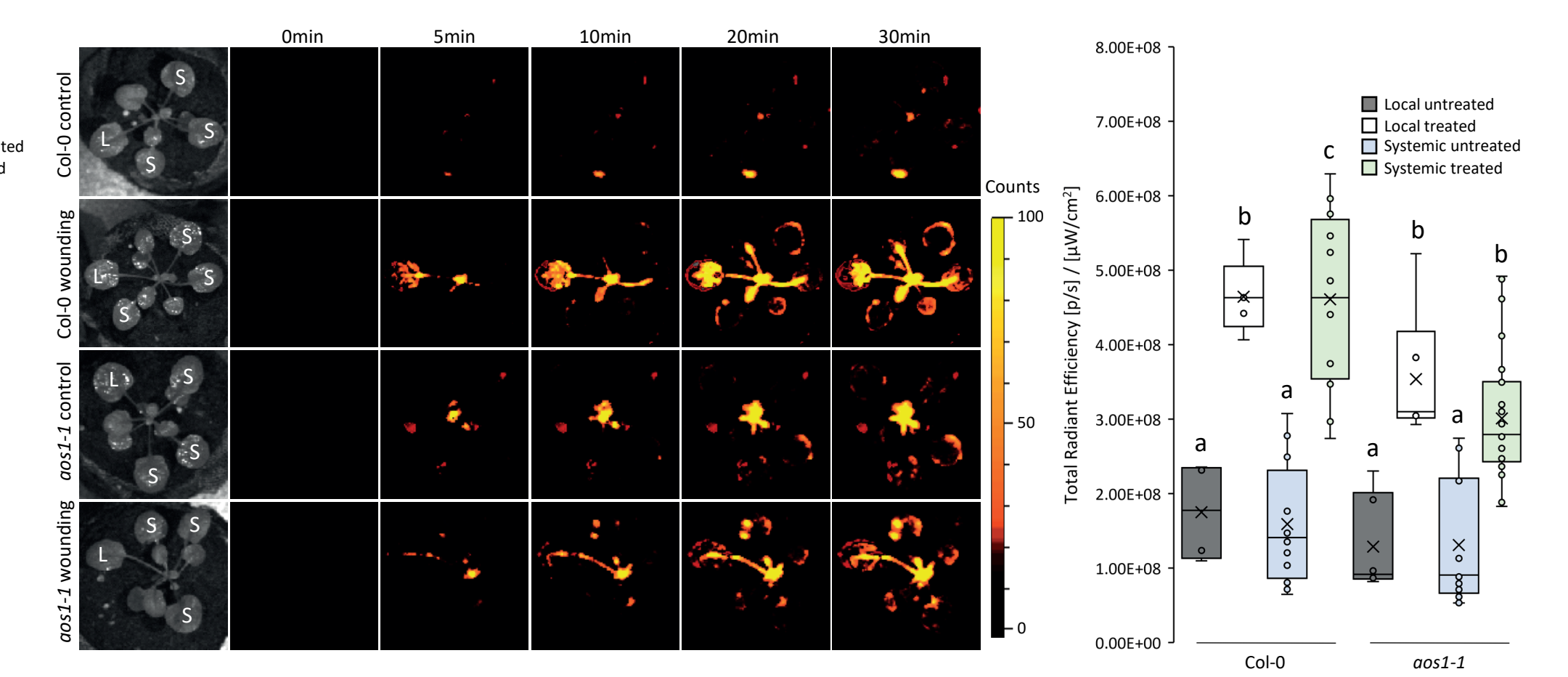
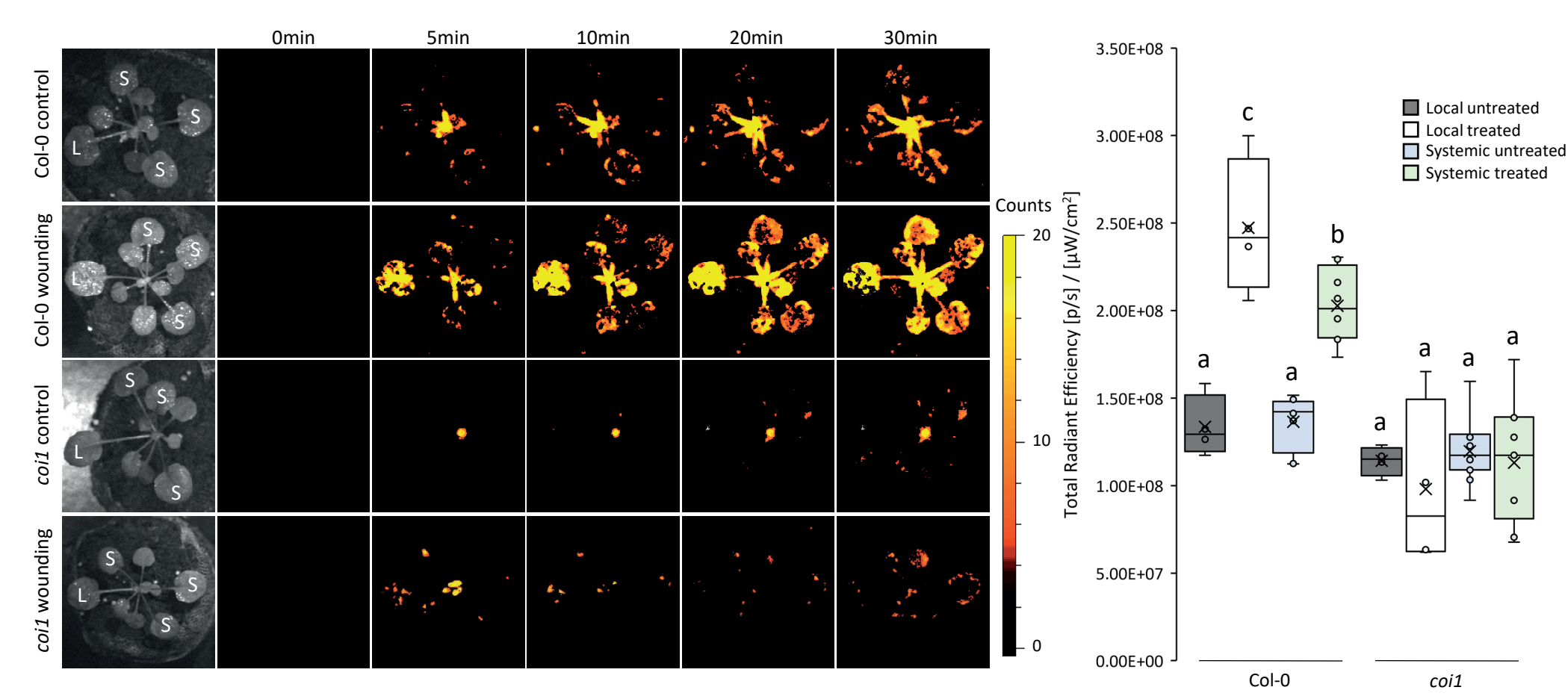
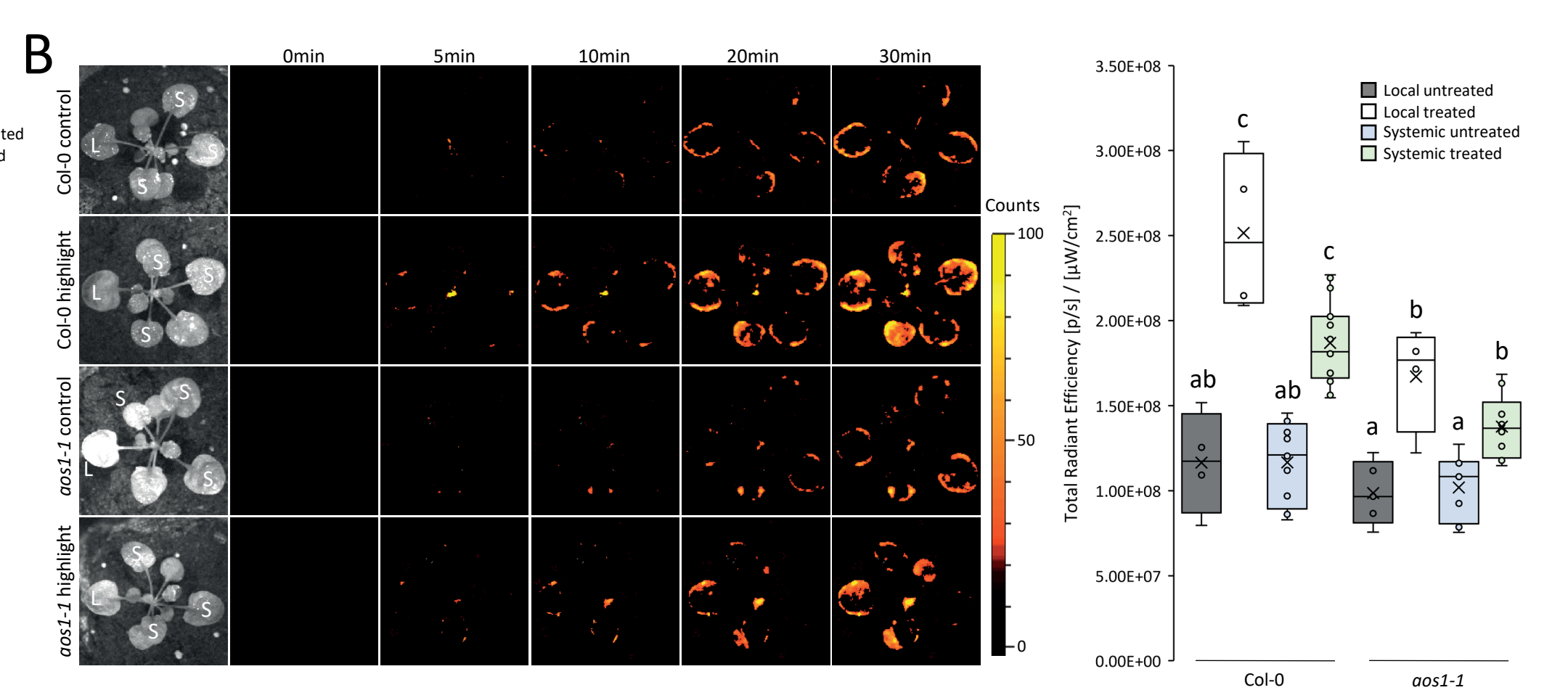
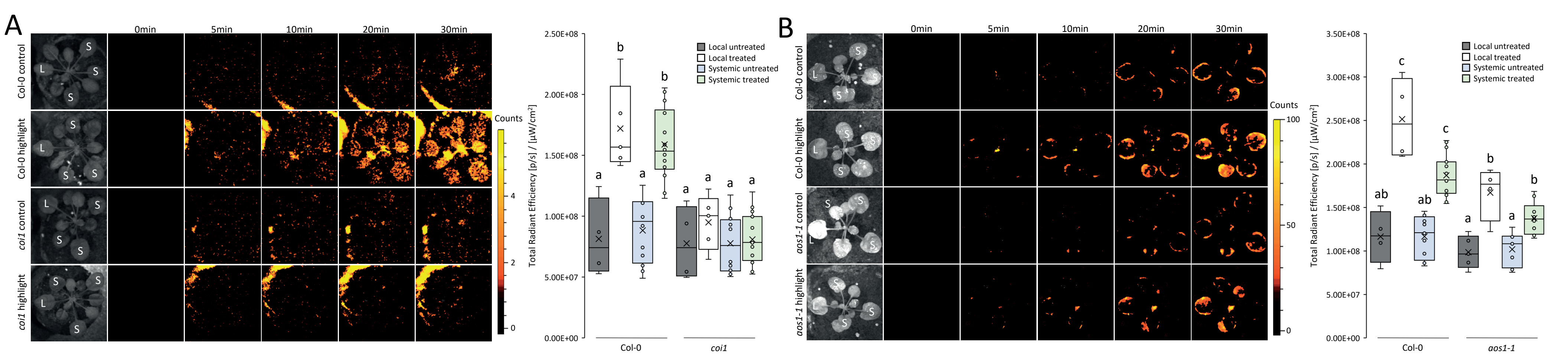
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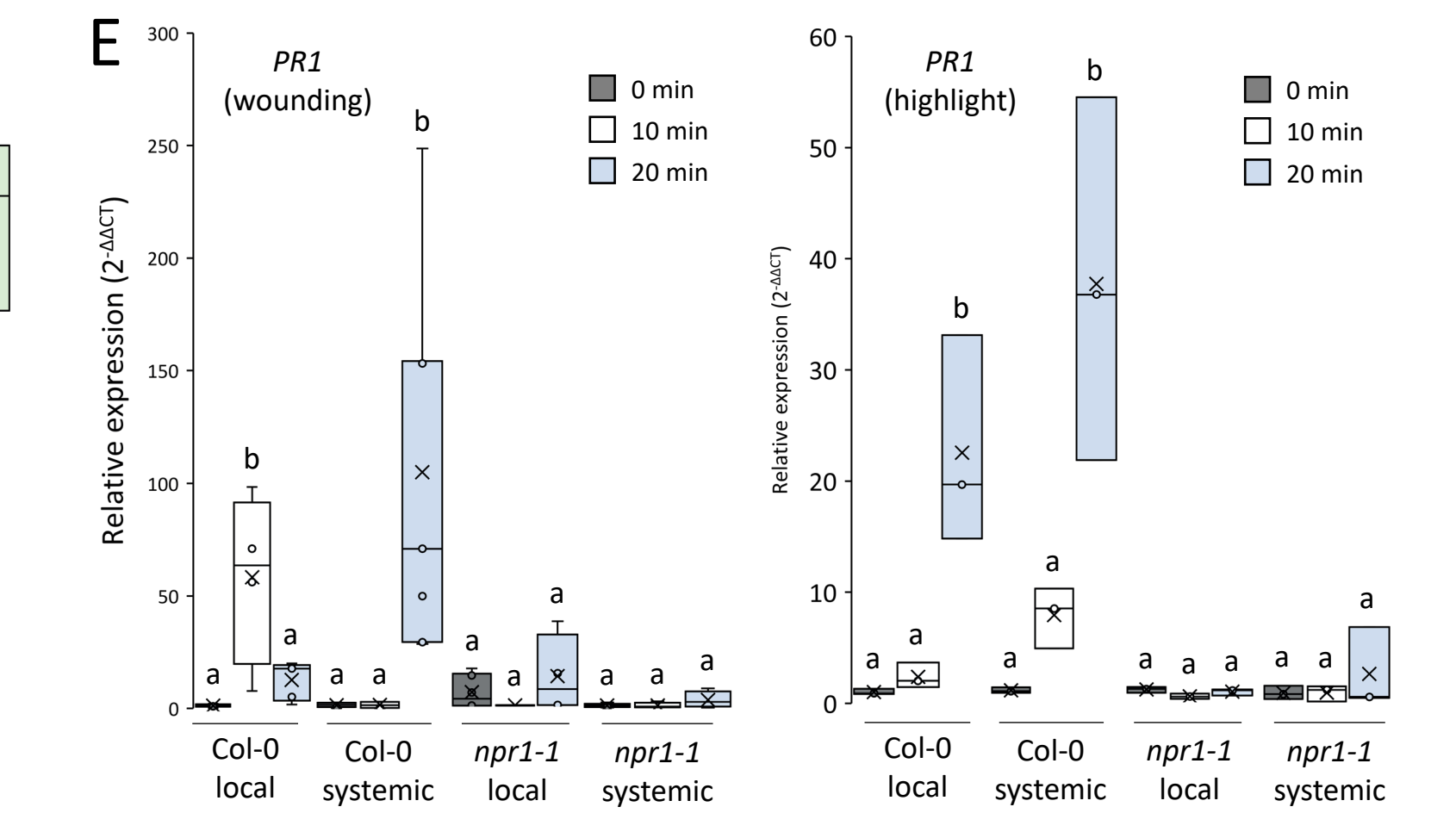
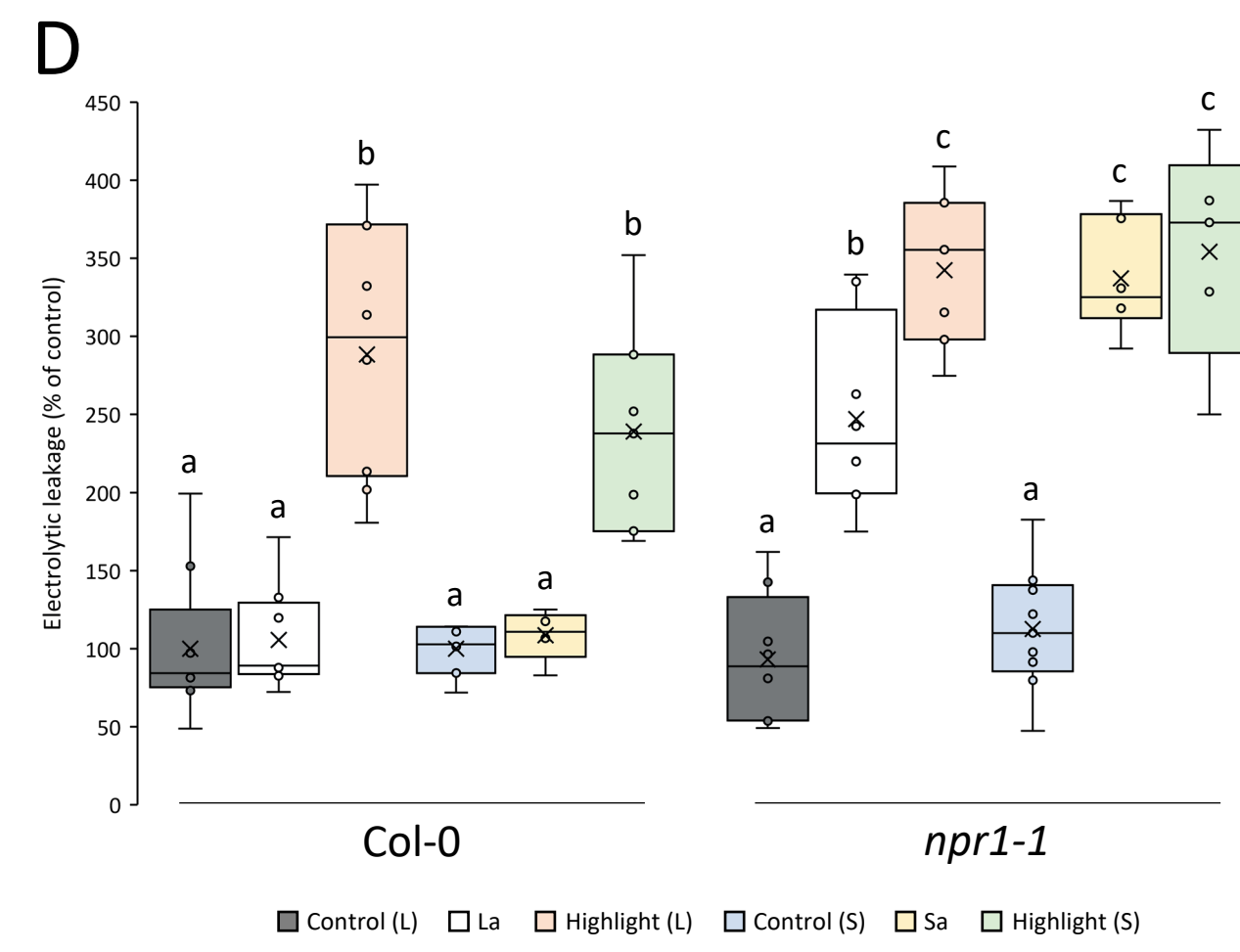
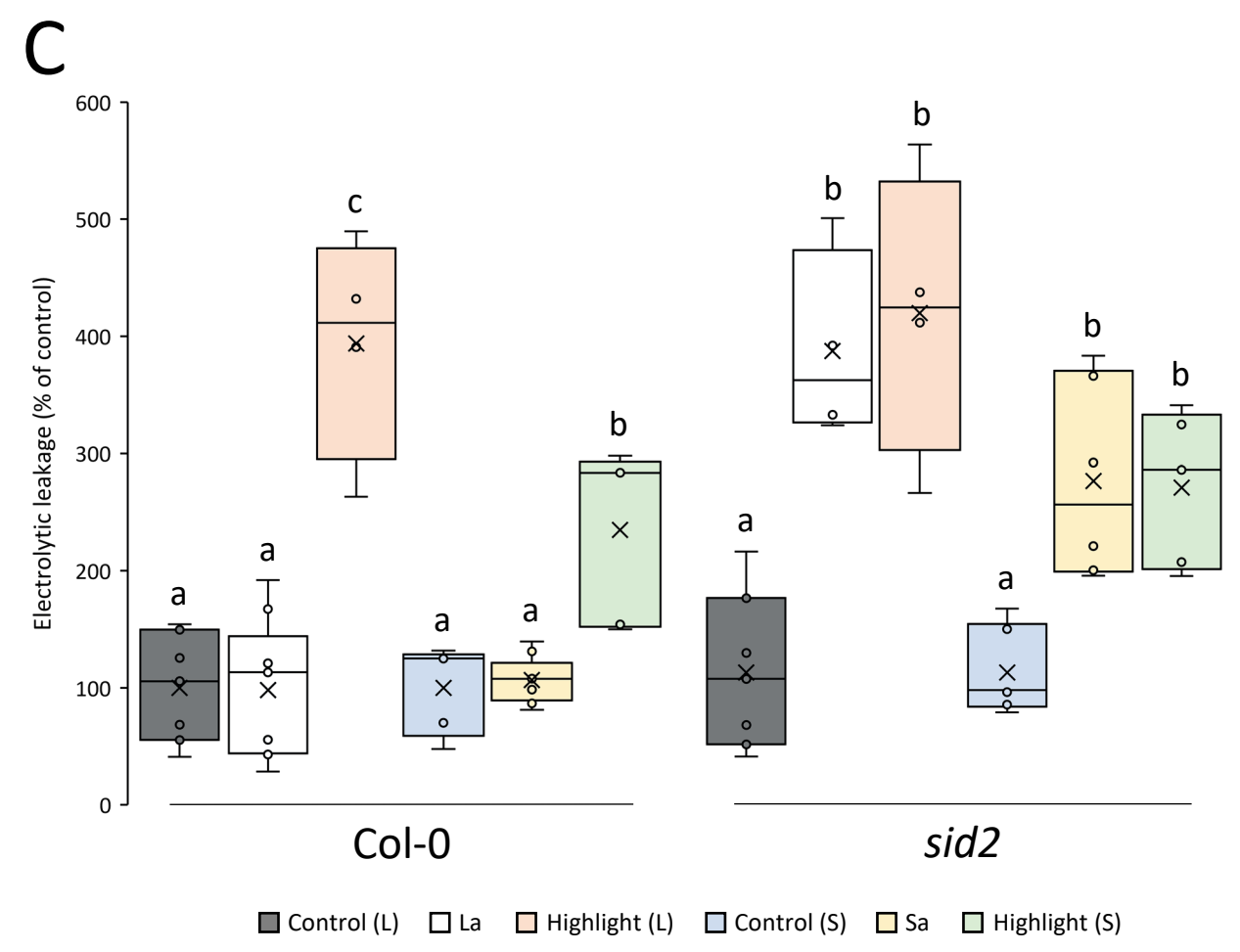
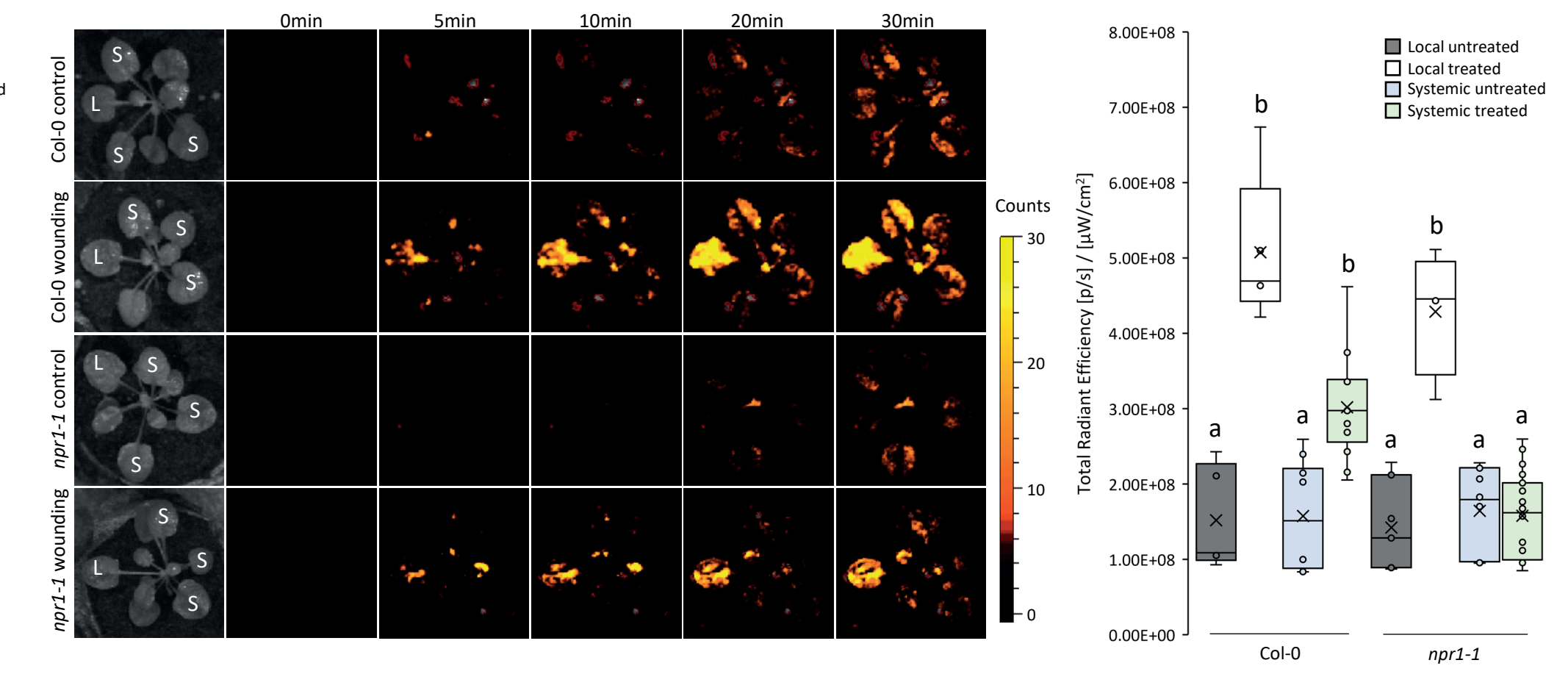
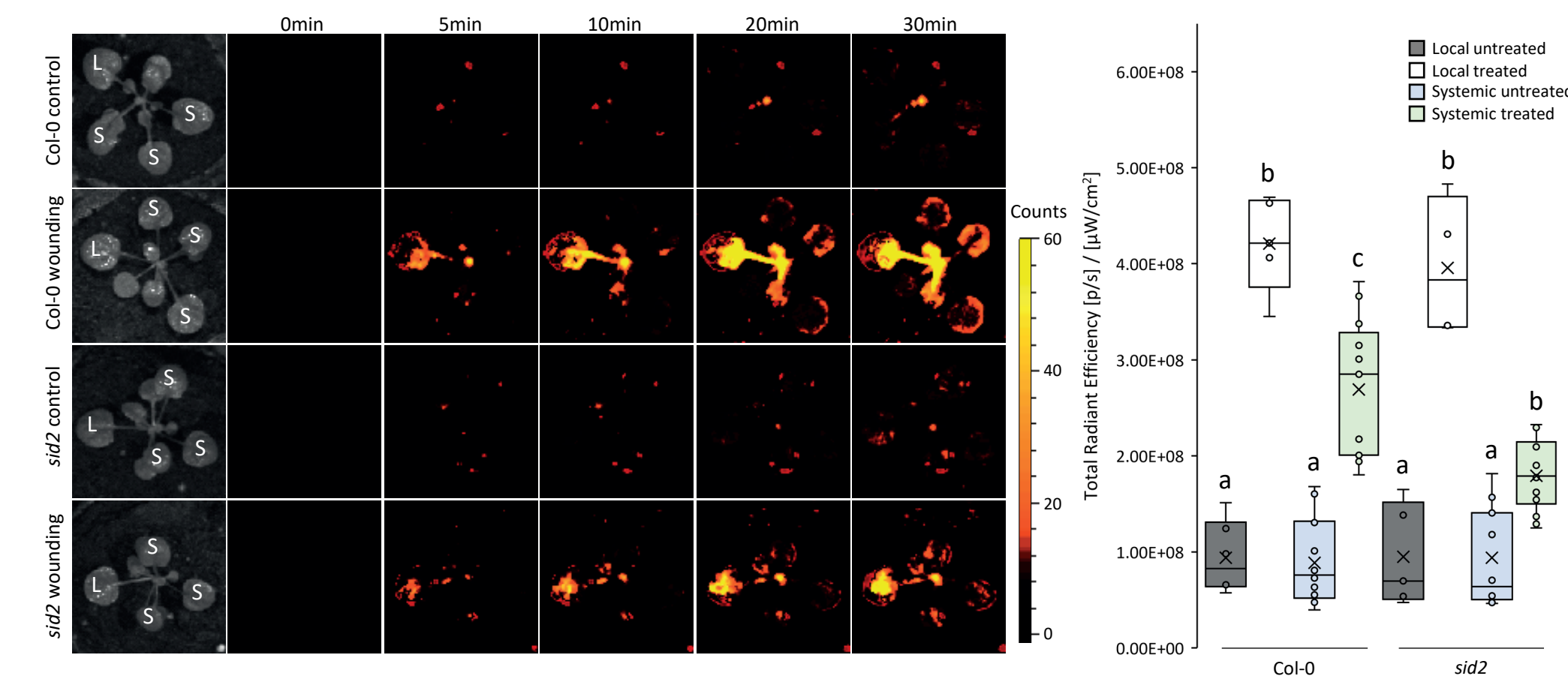
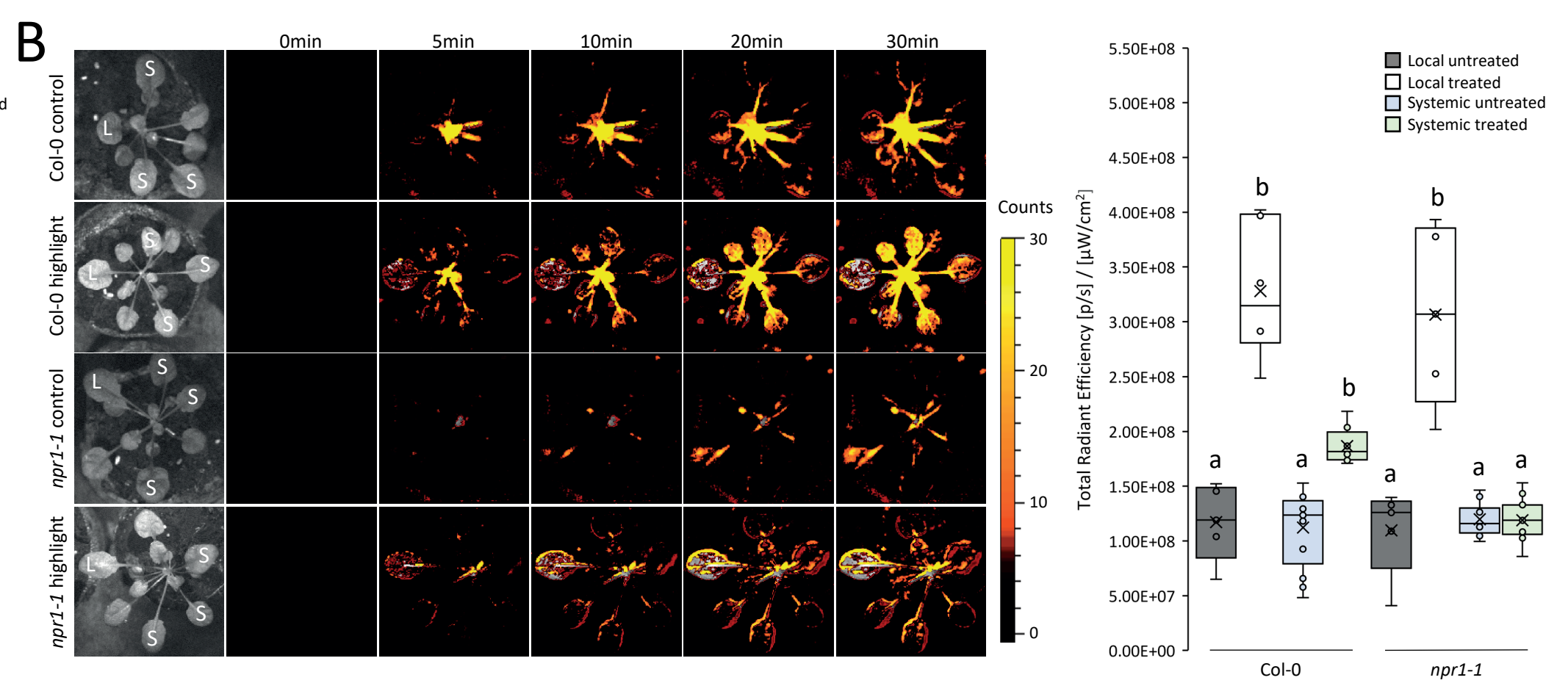
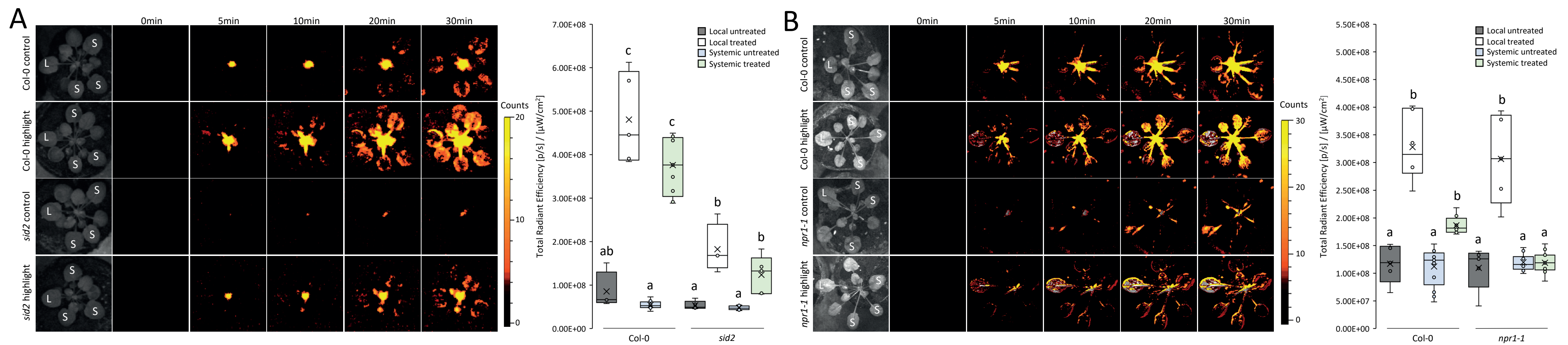
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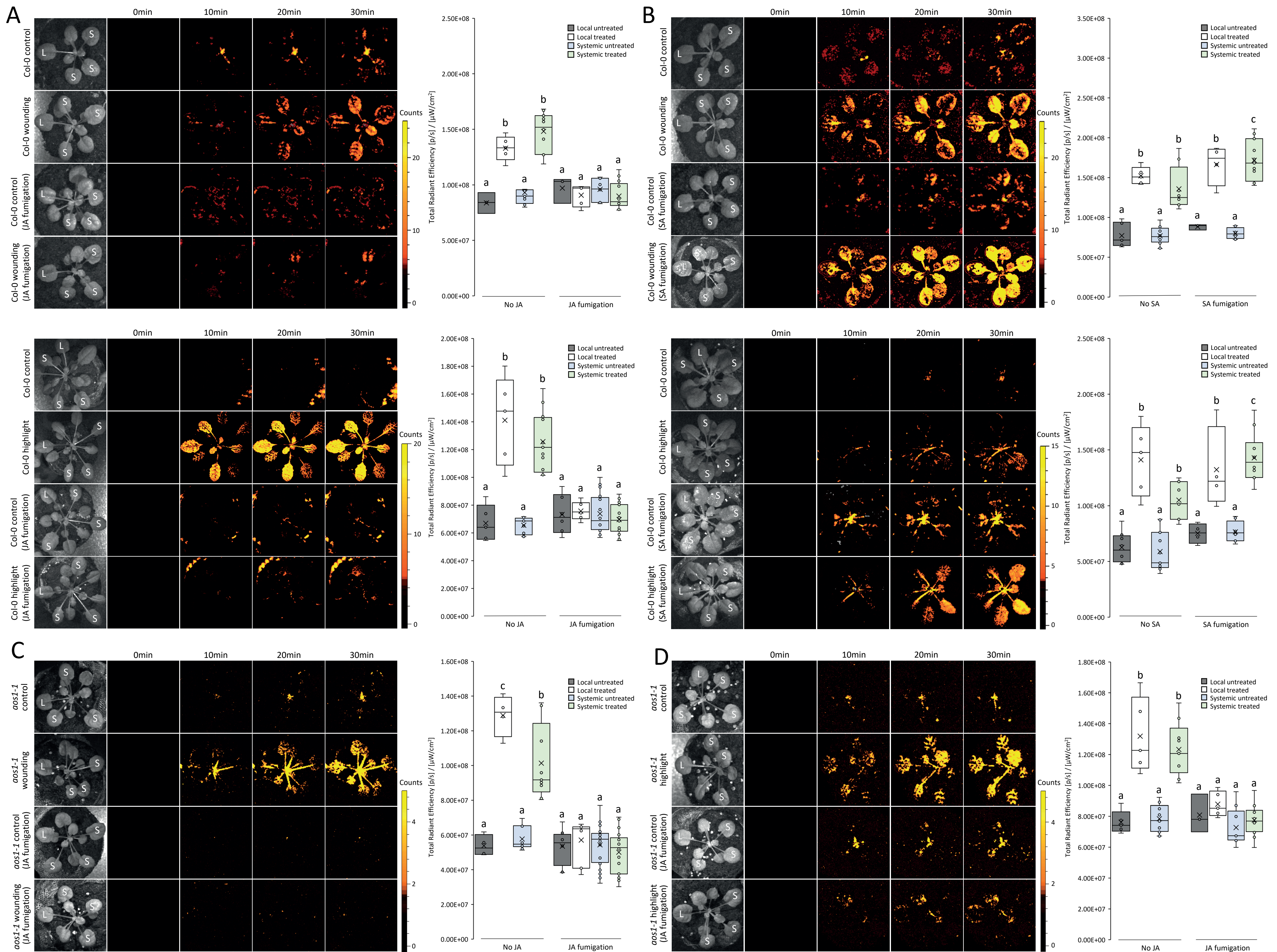
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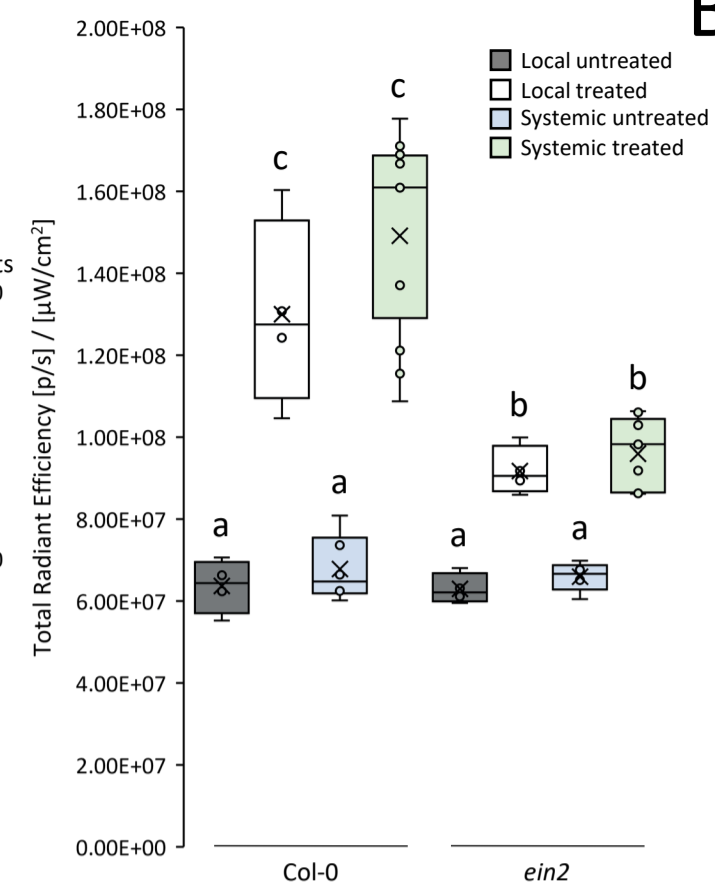
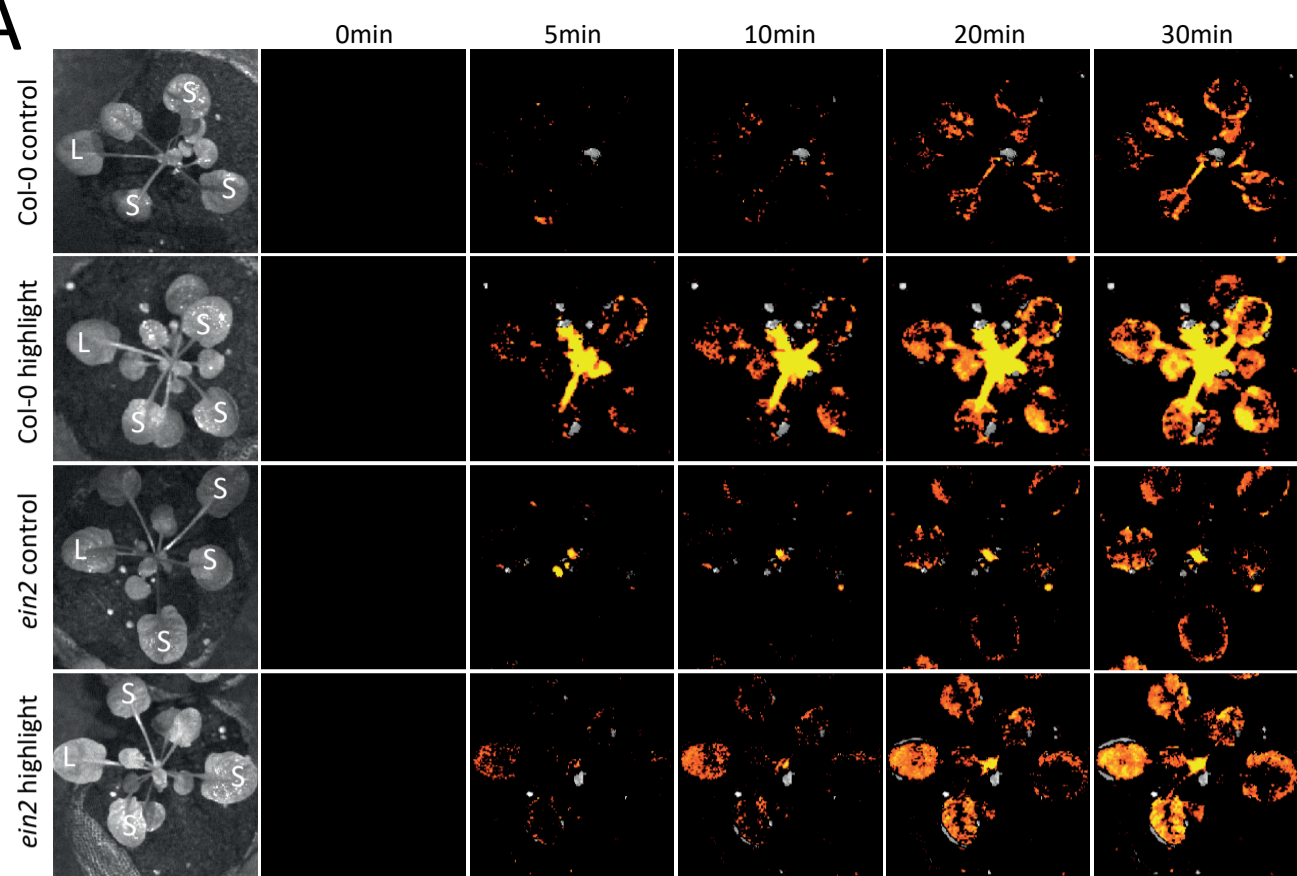
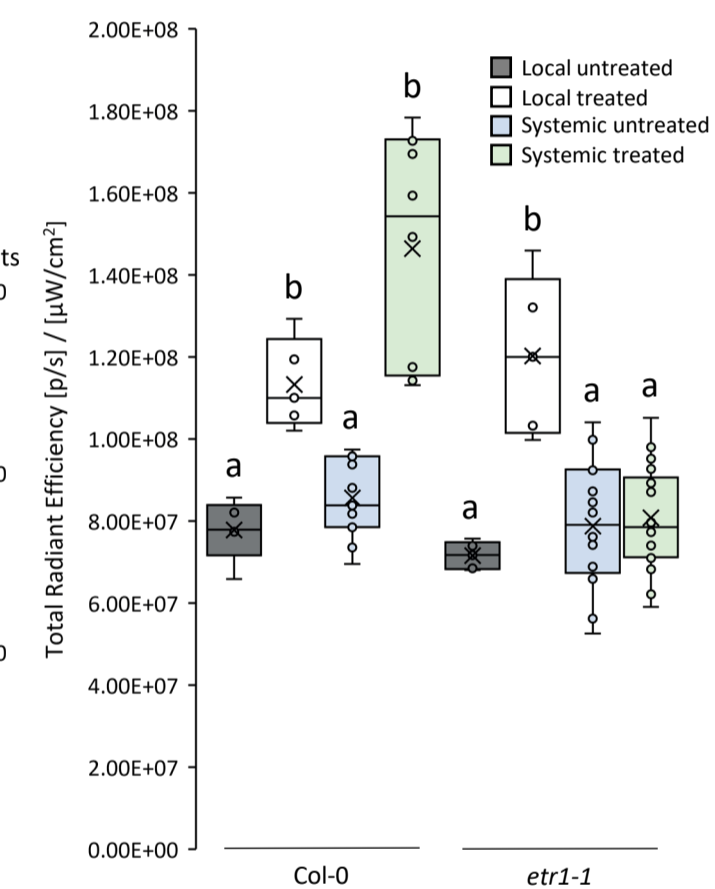
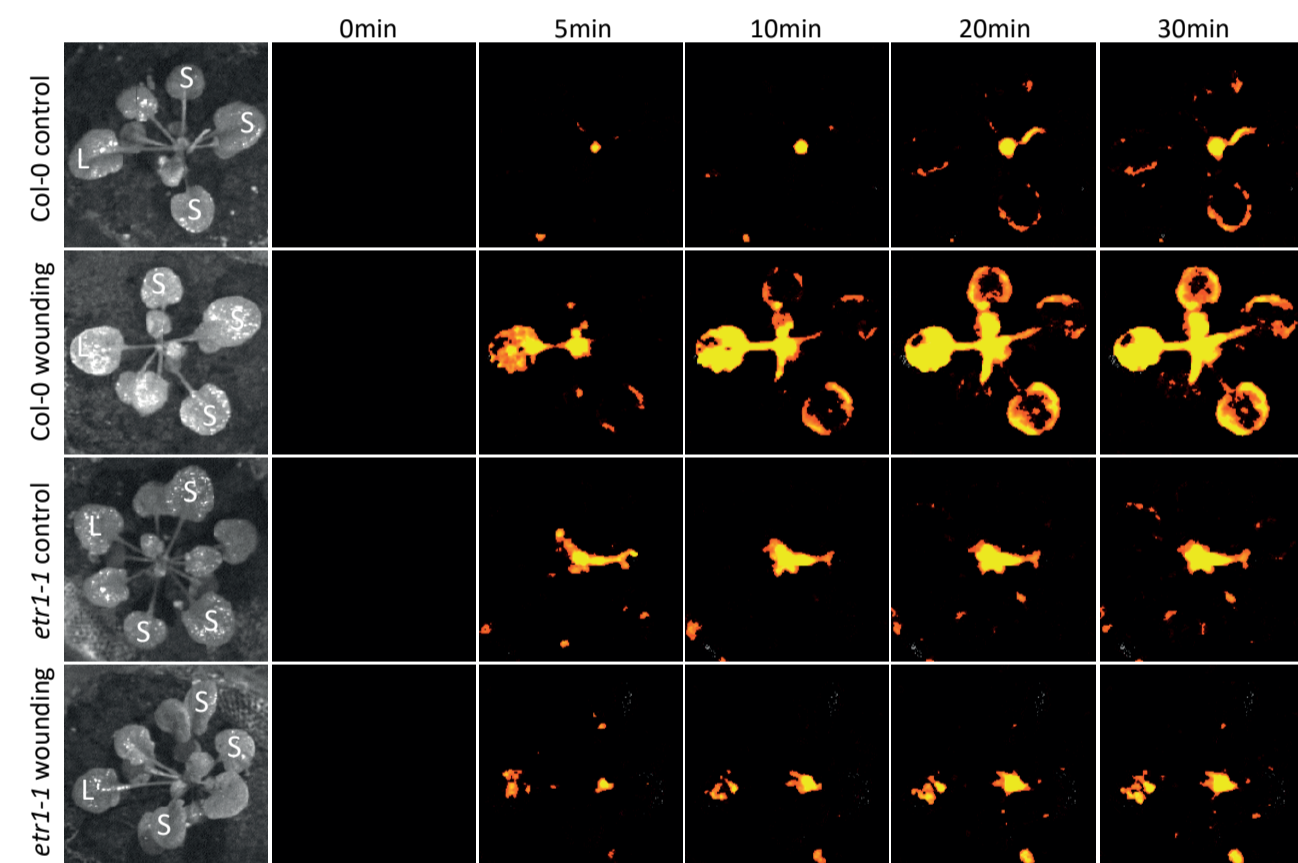
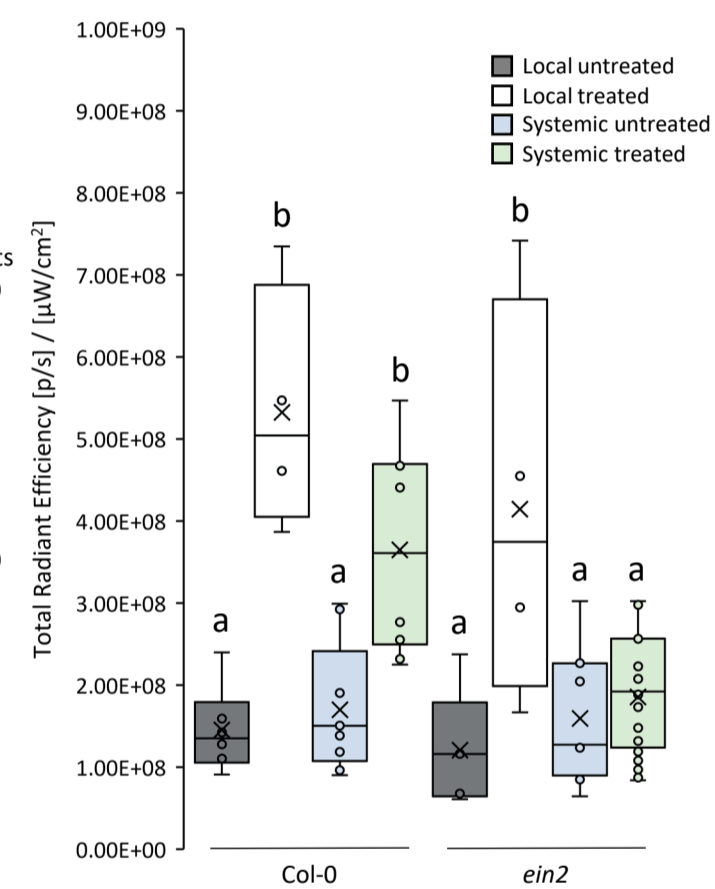
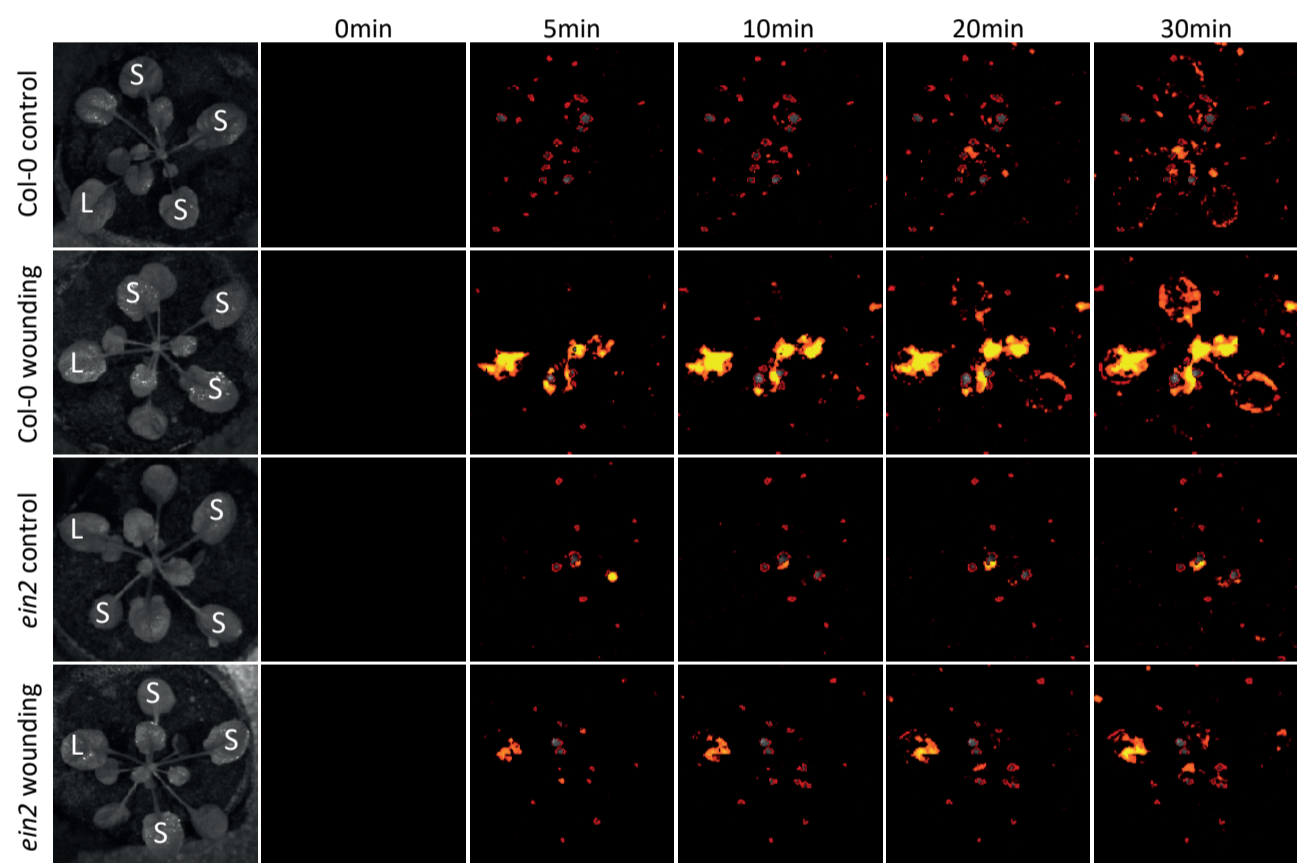
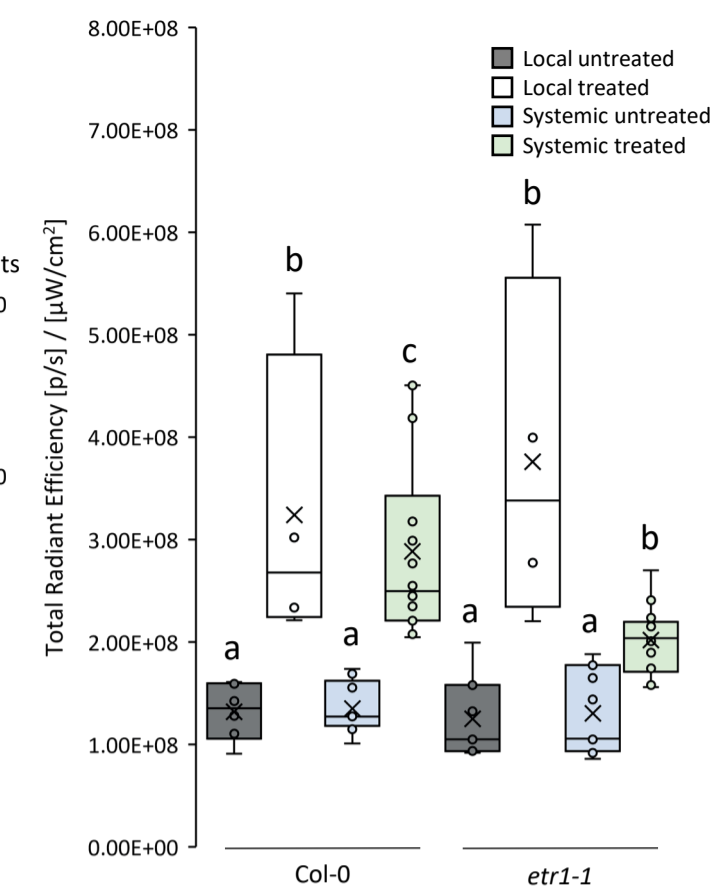
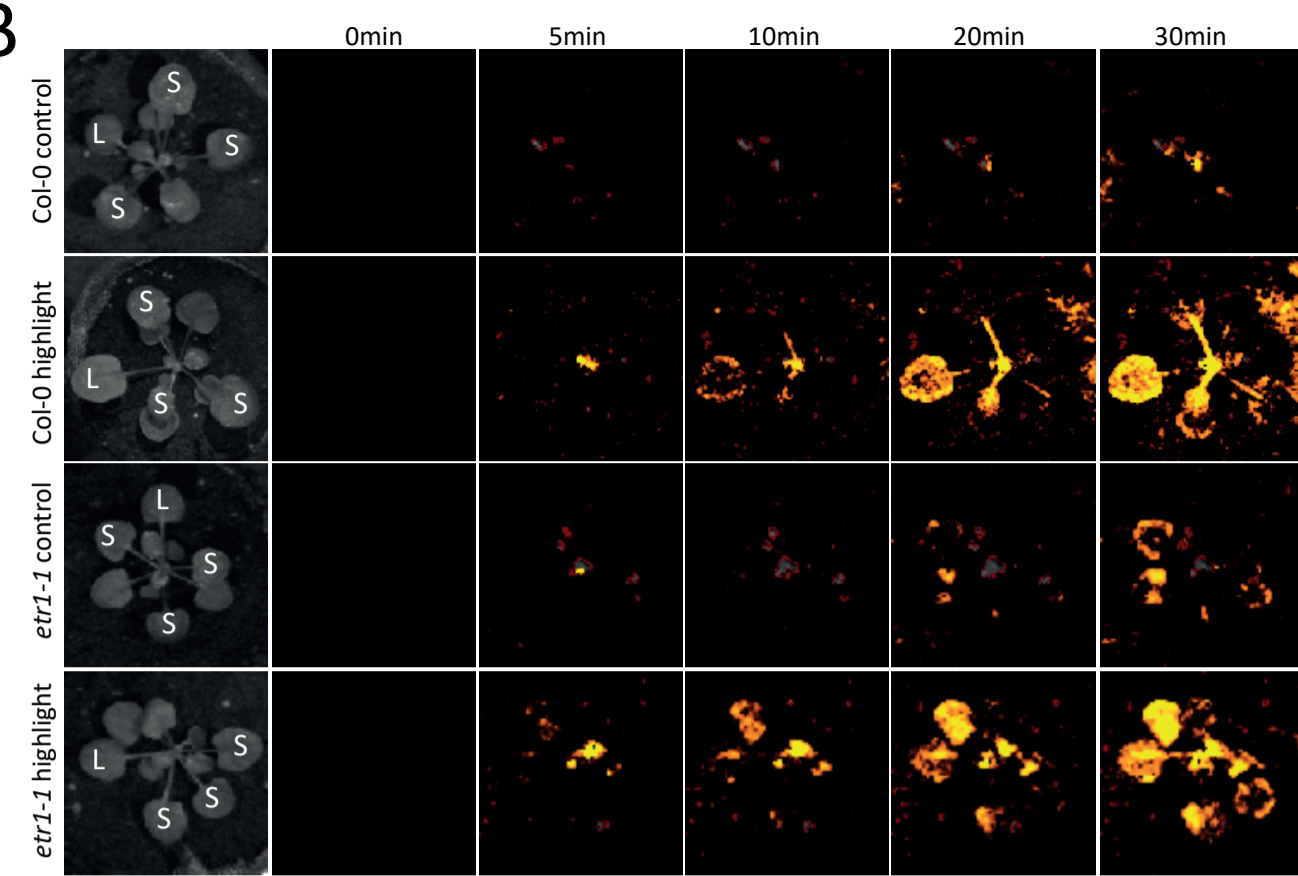
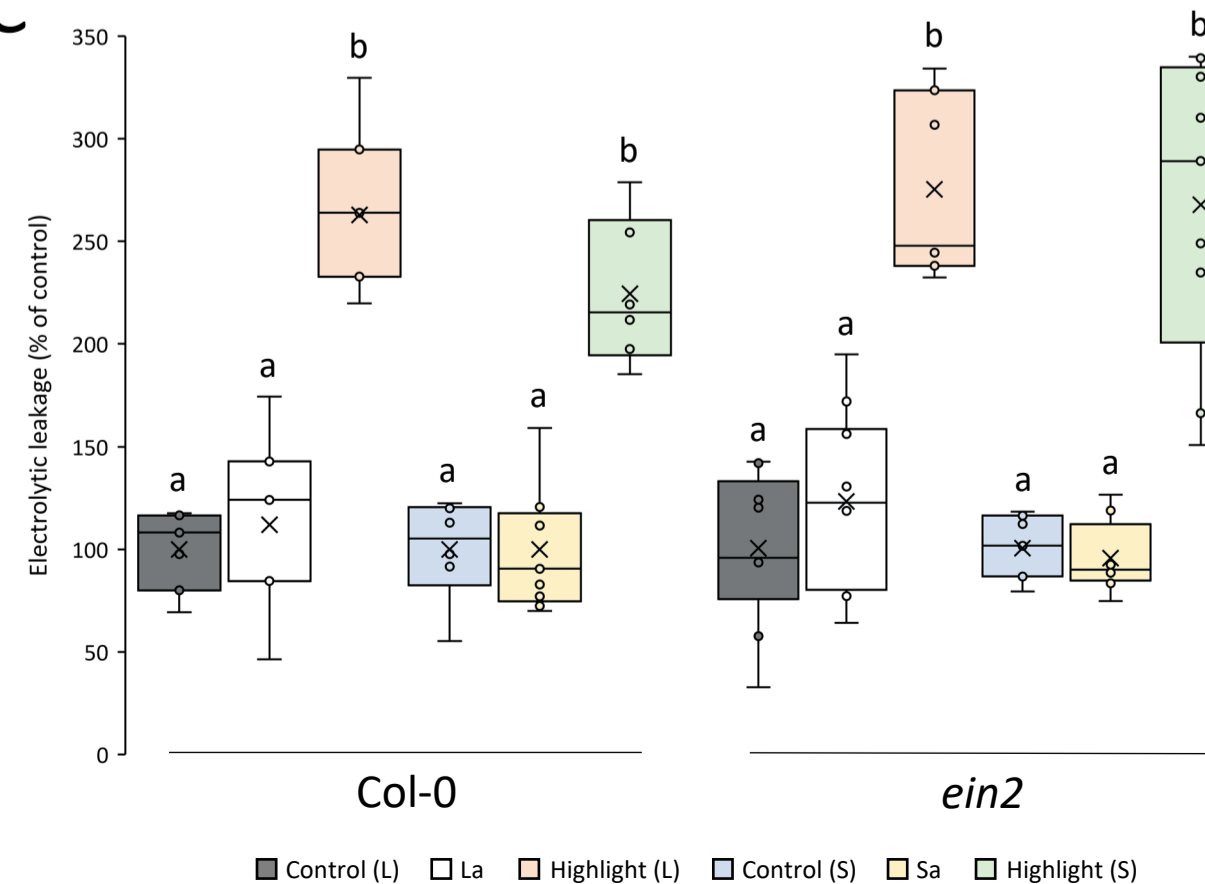
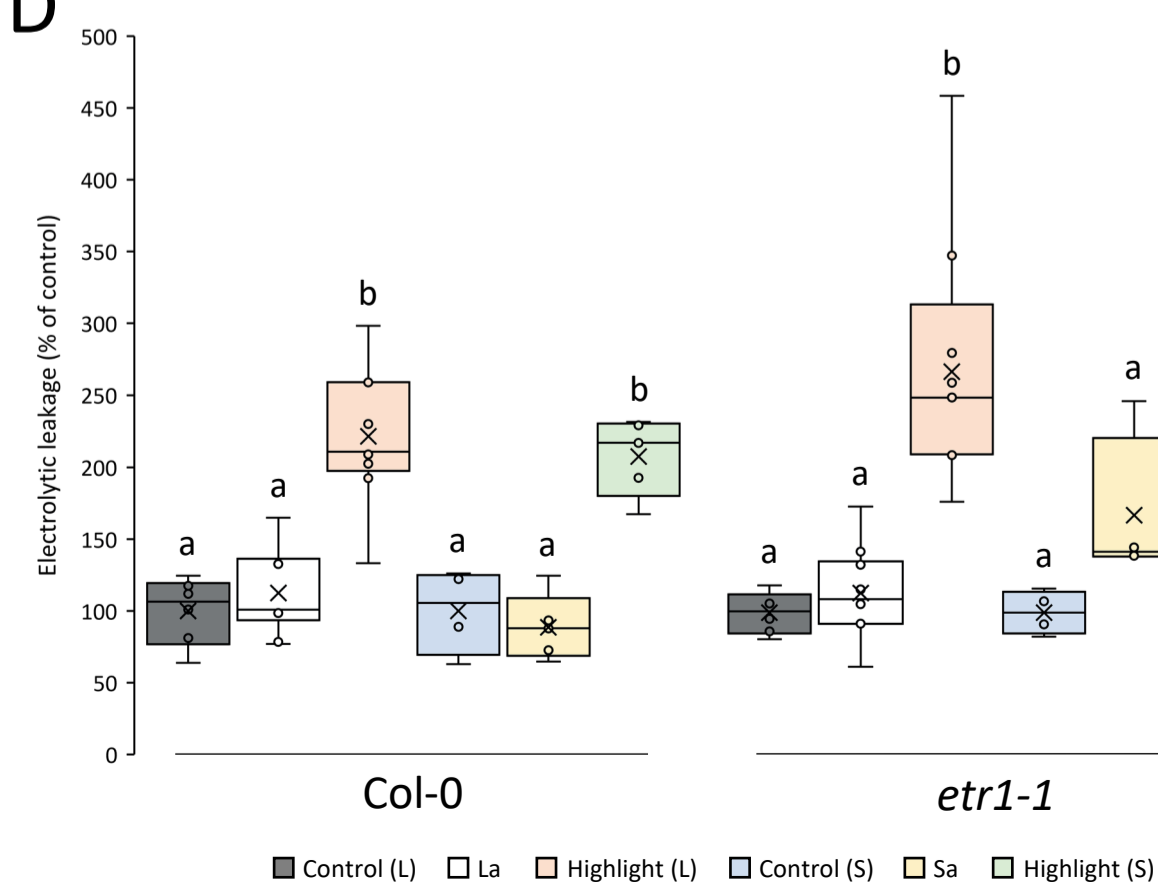
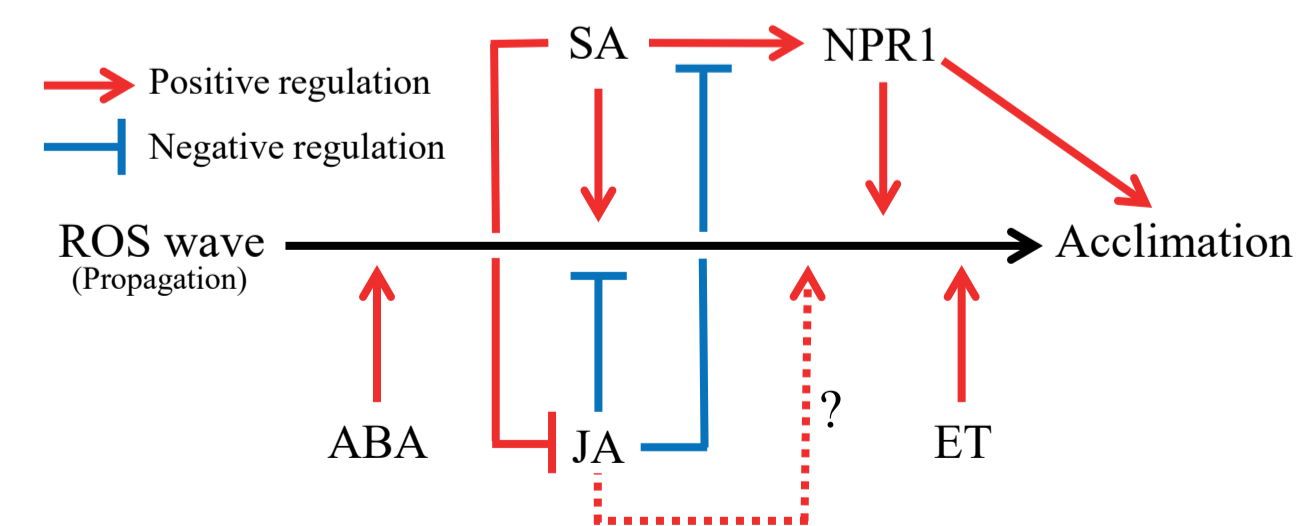
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