

**Table S2.** Analysis of variance (ANOVA) for the leaf water potential of tree seedlings as influenced by mean leaf angles and irrigation volumes at the end of the nursery phase

Source	Degrees of freedom	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F Value	p Value
Irrigation volume	3	3.77831	1.25944	27.73	< 0.0001
Error (a)	12	0.54493	0.04541	-	-
Plots	15	4.32324	-	-	-
Mean leaf angle	8	53.83281	6.72910	72.09	< 0.0001
Irrigation volume x Mean leaf angle	24	4.13485	0.17229	1.85	0.0195
Error (b)	96	8.96147	0.09335	-	-
Total	143	71.25238	-	-	-