

Table S1. Results of two-way ANOVA for the effects of Species (*Q. robur* and *Q. cerris*), Treatment (control, soil water withholding, and high air temperatures), and their interaction (Species*Treatment) on the listed parameters measured at leaf level. Significance values are indicated as: ns, non-significant $P>0.05$; *, $P\leq 0.05$; **, $P\leq 0.01$; ***, $P\leq 0.001$.

Parameters	Species				Treatment				Species*Treatment	
		<i>F</i>		Sum of square	<i>F</i>		Sum of square	<i>F</i>		Sum of square
Osmolytes	Proline (PRO)	12.71	**	211.13	22.32	***	741.62	0,92	ns	30.45
	Glycine betaine (GB)	4773.88	***	6548.80	1534.48	***	4210	818.61	***	2245.9
	Dimethylsulphoniopropionate (DMSP)	3018140	***	1.77	1990396	***	2.33	1229464	***	1.44
Antioxidant Defense Systems	Lipid peroxidation (MDA)	35.38	***	104.4	249.20	***	1467.05	3.63	ns	21.37
	Total non-protein thiols (GSH)	2.04	ns	0.24	69.29	***	16.50	15.03	***	3.58
	ABTS	40.47	***	56.53	29.62	***	82.75	7.72	**	21.57
	DPPH	63.91	***	2.58	65.70	***	5.30	62.67	***	5.05
	FRAP	0.01	ns	0.01	13.12	***	36.53	21.34	***	59.42
	Total phenolic content (TPC)	12.20	**	0.14	39.92	***	0.93	51.39	***	1.19
	Total flavonoid content (TFC)	29.36	***	7.04	6.59	*	3.16	0.18	ns	0.08
Hormones	Condensed tannins (CT)	417.06	***	12.94	276.68	***	17.16	96.09	***	5.96
	Indol-3-acetic acid (IAA)	10.32	**	1206.9	31.90	***	7458.2	11.00	**	2572.7
	Absciscic acid (ABA)	16.12	**	18099	69.53	***	156167	66.68	***	149780
Mineral elements	Nitrogen (N)	5607.1	***	0.32	1260.7	***	0.14	2756.0	***	0.31
	Sulphur (S)	2.03	ns	0.00	9.97	**	0.00	9.52	**	0.00

Table S2. Leaf total Nitrogen (N) and Sulphur (S) content in leaves (% dry weight; mean±standard deviation) of *Q. robur* and *Q. cerris* seedlings. See the legend of Figure 1 for abbreviations of the treatments. Different small letters indicate significant differences across the different treatments for each species. Asterisks indicate significant differences between the two oak species within each treatment, Tukey's honestly significant difference (HSD) post hoc test ($P \leq 0.05$).

Species	Treatment	Nitrogen (N) concentration (%)	Sulphur (S) Concentration (%)
<i>Q. robur</i>	C	2.56±0.01a*	0.25±0.01a*
	D	2.42±0.01b*	0.22±0.01b
	HS	2.04±0.01d*	0.19±0.01c
<i>Q. cerris</i>	C	2.01±0.01d	0.22±0.01a
	D	2.09±0.01c	0.23±0.01a
	HS	2.13±0.01b	0.21±0.02a

Table S3. Results of the two-way ANOVA (F and P values) for the first and second principal components (PC1 and PC2, respectively) were extracted. The main effect of Species, Treatment, and the first-order interaction (*Species* × *Treatment*) are shown. The factor effect was considered significant at $P < 0.05$.

Response variable	Factors	Degree of freedom	F-value	P-value
PC1	<i>Species</i>	1	107.27	2.45E-07
	<i>Treatment</i>	2	60.66	5.32E-07
	<i>Species</i> × <i>Treatment</i>	2	33.24	1.28E-05
PC2	<i>Species</i>	1	7.34	0.019
	<i>Treatment</i>	2	328.91	3.31E-11
	<i>Species</i> × <i>Treatment</i>	2	72.25	2.03E-07