

Table 2. The free AA accumulation of tender leaves at different stages under treatments in August.

	1d (µg/g FW)			7d (µg/g FW)			14d (µg/g FW)		
	Control	M S	H S	Control	M S	H S	Control	M S	H S
P-Ser	67.82a ± 3.93	66.92a ± 5.71	56.71a ± 5.49	57.95ab ± 4.28	60.47a ± 1.33	48.08b ± 0.17	73.62a ± 7.54	52.72b ± 2.11	55.00ab ± 6.80
PEA	25.84a ± 2.21	27.89a ± 2.62	23.13a ± 1.68	27.04b ± 1.13	33.34b ± 0.63	48.46a ± 3.83	21.89c ± 0.41	27.95b ± 1.59	36.52a ± 2.25
Asp	351.99b ± 5.58	376.38ab ± 14.13	413.65a ± 2.11	277.75b ± 6.83	281.70ab ± 9.77	313.77a ± 6.54	212.35a ± 8.70	198.41a ± 5.28	200.66 a± 11.87
Thr	60.24a ± 2.91	42.71b ± 2.06	38.37b ± 0.49	45.39a ± 1.13	32.76b ± 0.35	32.04b ± 0.76	39.01a ± 1.99	28.45b ± 0.57	24.71b ± 1.49
Ser	147.73a ± 2.81	94.17b ± 2.21	61.20c ± 0.47	97.79a ± 3.53	64.21b ± 2.99	54.84b ± 7.21	69.90b ± 4.31	63.14b ± 4.13	83.76a ± 2.18
Pro	62.46a ± 1.22	41.52b ± 1.97	30.55c ± 1.61	25.94a ± 1.05	18.46b ± 0.44	19.14b ± 2.37	14.93a ± 0.39	12.80a ± 0.92	17.34a ± 2.82
Glu	973.47a ± 35.82	1028.58a ± 28.84	960.64a ± 15.02	640.91a ± 7.27	595.25b± 19.63	594.55b ± 8.82	519.63a ± 26.86	494.80ab ± 6.12	446.73b ± 9.92
Gln	1608.08a ± 103.81	1373.94ab ± 160.97	1038.67b ± 33.01	603.30a ± 48.09	439.52b±29.12	334.60b ±19.75	285.09a ± 5.45	182.78b ± 0.62	133.92c ± 17.81
Theanine	1806.63a ± 79.28	1644.16ab ± 92.64	1398.79b ± 116.34	1213.52a±82.15	1159.57a±34.75	1072.30a ±28.12	1141.50a ± 53.84	869.16 b± 15.50	593.67c ± 114.54
α-AAA	56.64a ± 56.64	59.19a ± 1.00	53.39a ± 3.96	48.00a ± 2.56	29.79b ± 0.53	30.04b ± 2.13	42.95a ± 0.66	24.87b ± 0.47	23.01b ± 1.58
Gly	17.59a ± 0.93	14.86ab ± 0.70	12.86b ± 0.15	15.10a ± 0.32	12.11b ± 0.41	10.42b ± 0.91	15.57a ± 0.36	14.29b ± 0.15	13.94b ± 0.49
Ala	94.05a ± 3.22	90.91ab ± 2.50	82.96b ± 1.63	79.68a ± 0.60	59.18b ± 2.98	51.71c ± 1.93	55.00a ± 1.40	43.59c ± 1.62	50.11b ± 0.78
Cit	32.17b ± 0.27	35.27a ± 1.13	32.88b ± 0.26	30.30a ± 0.34	26.65ab ± 1.12	26.01b ± 1.63	28.86a ± 0.81	24.27b ± 0.43	25.00b ± 1.60
α-ABA	9.63a ± 0.28	9.56a ± 0.45	8.07b ± 0.09	6.75a ± 0.29	5.82b ± 0.17	5.24b ± 0.24	6.08a ± 0.17	4.18c ± 0.13	5.15b ± 0.32
Val	25.92a ± 1.18	18.04b ± 0.33	16.47b ± 0.24	14.46a ± 0.77	13.05a ± 0.66	13.92a ± 1.56	13.48 a± 0.28	12.81a ± 0.98	17.07a ± 2.52
Cys	22.13a ± 0.30	15.82b ± 1.24	15.92b ± 0.09	16.00a ± 1.52	11.65ab ± 1.49	9.44b ± 1.20	13.17a ± 1.95	9.42a ± 0.62	12.33a ± 0.68
Ile	13.45a ± 1.10	4.96b ± 0.35	4.64b ± 0.89	3.07a ± 0.15	3.69a ± 1.43	5.86a ± 1.31	2.96c ± 0.20	5.84b ± 0.74	14.87a ± 2.61
Leu	10.17a ± 0.52	5.83b ± 0.30	5.46b ± 0.74	4.33a ± 0.23	4.90a ± 1.27	6.80a ± 1.10	4.51b ± 0.18	6.33ab ± 1.01	12.18a ± 3.09
Tyr	12.52a ± 0.87	9.64b ± 0.28	8.50b ± 0.19	8.60a ± 0.19	7.47a ± 0.66	9.97a ± 1.22	7.25a ± 0.19	6.67a ± 0.56	7.16a ± 0.63
Phe	7.24a ± 0.62	7.13a ± 0.47	5.43a ± 0.19	4.34a ± 0.10	4.35a ± 0.45	5.59a ± 0.91	3.50a ± 0.26	4.40a ± 0.16	5.31a ± 1.48
β-Ala	1.70a ± 0.01	1.68a ± 0.23	1.36a ± 0.06	1.68a ± 0.03	1.11b ± 0.01	1.06b ± 0.04	1.96a ± 0.06	1.81a ± 0.07	2.38a ± 0.27

β-AiBA	5.71a ± 0.04	5.64a ± 0.02	5.07b ± 0.14	5.53a ± 0.08	4.92b ± 0.11	4.43c ± 0.19	4.61a ± 0.08	4.35a ± 0.09	4.28a ± 0.21
γ-ABA	48.48 ± 6.98	48.45 ± 2.21	53.76 ± 7.42	26.54 ± 0.53	19.36 ± 2.44	20.16 ± 2.73	22.88 ± 4.65	17.85 ± 3.51	21.35 ± 1.93
Trp	151.12 ± 58.44	116.59 ± 4.16	99.26 ± 26.68	41.44 ± 5.62	46.74 ± 6.47	92.83 ± 31.32	81.03 ± 23.79	141.10 ± 40.52	90.21 ± 11.55
Orn	25.89a ± 2.71	20.95ab ± 0.48	15.36b ± 0.65	23.17a ± 1.50	16.63b ± 1.05	12.37c ± 1.01	23.37a ± 0.59	20.29a ± 1.10	7.82b ± 3.03
His	23.70 ± 0.70	21.34 ± 2.13	18.34 ± 0.73	12.75 ± 0.15	12.64 ± 1.89	14.64 ± 2.08	10.31 ± 0.28	7.34 ± 0.31	16.31 ± 5.66
Arg	521.81 ± 37.21	665.00 ± 109.81	559.97 ± 82.86	293.26b ± 13.45	541.74a ± 25.96	565.00a ± 42.59	133.37ab ± 12.48	71.36b ± 12.83	221.62a ± 51.13
Total	6253.03a ± 138.55	5921.12ab ± 377.90	5053.19b ± 279.84	3617.55 ± 139.77	3514.08 ± 80.66	3458.89 ± 130.12	2847.09a ± 73.24	2363.99b ± 77.96	2134.65b ± 130.88

Letters (a, b, c) show significant differences and grouping information comparing different treatments according to one-way ANOVA and Fisher's LSD test at the 5% level. P-Ser, o-Phosphoserine; PEA, o-Phosphoethanolamine; Asp, Aspartate; Thr, Threonine; Pro, Proline; Glu, Glutamic acid; Gln, Glutamine; α-AAA, α-amino adipic acid; Gly, Glycine; Ala, Alanine; Cit, Citrulline; α-ABA, α-Aminobutyric acid; Val, Valine; Cys, cysteine; Ile, Isoleucine; Leu, Leucine; Tyr, Tyrosine; Phe, Phenylalanine; β-Ala, β-Alanine; β-AiBA, β-Aminoisobutyric acid; γ-ABA, γ-Aminobutyric acid; Trp, Tryptophan; Orn, Ornithine; His, Histidine; Arg, Arginine.