

## Appendix 1

Location and climate conditions (National Meteorological Institute of Tunisia) of the eight saline depressions (sebkhas).

Sebkhas name	Coordinates	Spring	Spring	Summer	Summer
	GPS	T (°C)	P (mm)	T (°C)	P (mm)
El Hani	35°41' N 10°56' E	25	114	31.6	36
Ghorra	35°09' N 10°90' E	25	142	32	25
El Djem	35°11' N 10°91' E	26.5	135	32.8	22
Boujmal	35°16' N 10°73' E	26.9	132	33	20
Hchichina	34°42' N 10°26' E	28	110	34.5	15
Noual 1	34°42' N 9°91' E	28.5	102	35	10
Noual 2	34°45' N 9°91' E	28.9	92	35.6	10
El Melah	33°41' N 10°91' E	29	88	36.5	5