

**Table S1.** Active CK and ABA contents (expressed as pmol g<sup>-1</sup> DW) in leaves of pepper plants (cv. Sweet Italian) cultured under greenhouse conditions with or without drench application of fungal CFs. Values represent the mean  $\pm$  SE from two independent experiments each consisting of two biological replicates corresponding to a pool of leaves from twelve plants. Asterisks indicate statistically significant difference in the CF treatments versus the controls according to a Student's t-test (P<0.05).

		Control	+ <i>A. alternata</i> CF	+ <i>P. aurantiogriseum</i> CF	+ <i>T. harzianum</i> CF
CKs	tZ	2.6 $\pm$ 0.2	2.6 $\pm$ 0.8	2.3 $\pm$ 0.2	3.2 $\pm$ 0.4*
	cZ	1.8 $\pm$ 1.1	2.5 $\pm$ 0.5	3.9 $\pm$ 0.3*	2.7 $\pm$ 0.6
ABA		232 $\pm$ 12	293 $\pm$ 6*	207 $\pm$ 8	222 $\pm$ 11