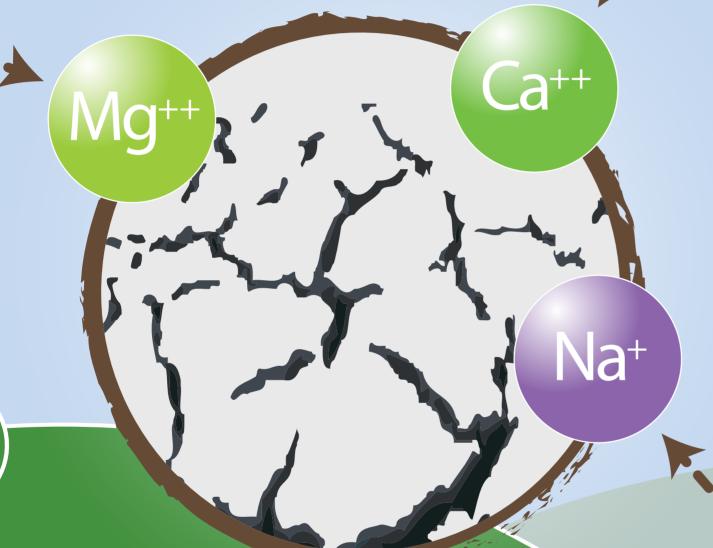


Soil salinization and sodification

Increase in water-soluble salts in soil, including potassium, magnesium, calcium, chlorine, sulphate, carbonate, bicarbonate (salinization) or high sodium content (sodification). It negatively affects plant growth, reduces crop yields and can make soils unproductive.



THE SOIL SALINITY THREAT CAN BE CONTAINED
BY DIRECT LEACHING OF SALTS, PLANTING SALT
TOLERANT VARIETIES, PHYTOREMEDIATION, CHEMICAL
AMELIORATION AND/OR USE OF ORGANIC AMENDMENTS

USD 441/ha is the estimated annual cost of salt-induced land degradation





