



**Figure 2: Effect of resource limitation on plant growth and traits.** Comparison of total biomass (a), shoot biomass (b), root biomass (c), number of leaves (d), number of tillers (e), leaf nitrogen concentration (f), root:shoot ratio (g), root length (h), and root area (i) between the R+ (blue) and the R- (red) treatments. Only pure stand data were used, and trait values were summed per Rhizotube® (except for leaf N for which we averaged trait values per Rhizotube®). Points and error bars represent the mean  $\pm$  standard deviation. The number of observations in each treatment is reported below each violin plot. Symbols above the plots represent the significance of the treatment effect (\*:  $p < 0.05$ , \*\*:  $p < 0.01$ , \*\*\*:  $p < 0.001$ , complete analysis of variance is reported in Supplementary Table 4).