

# Joint use of hyperspectral remote sensing and fluxes to understand ecosystems responses to nutrient manipulation

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## ARTICLE

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# Human-induced nitrogen–phosphorus imbalances alter natural and managed ecosystems across the globe

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The availability of carbon from rising atmospheric carbon dioxide levels and of nitrogen from various human-induced inputs to ecosystems is continuously increasing; however, these increases are not paralleled by a similar increase in phosphorus inputs. The inexorable change in the stoichiometry of carbon and nitrogen relative to phosphorus has no equivalent in Earth's history. Here we report the profound and yet uncertain consequences of the human imprint on the phosphorus cycle and nitrogen:phosphorus stoichiometry for the structure, functioning and diversity of terrestrial and aquatic organisms and ecosystems. A mass balance approach is used to show that **limited phosphorus and nitrogen availability are likely to jointly reduce future carbon storage by natural ecosystems during this century**. Further, if phosphorus fertilizers cannot be made increasingly accessible, the crop yields projections of the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment imply an increase of the nutrient deficit in developing regions.

# Motivation

Nutrient availability

Water and Nutrient  
availability

**C and H<sub>2</sub>O Fluxes**

**Water Use  
Efficiency**

Ecosystem  
functional response  
to different N/P  
stoichiometry

Structural and  
physiological  
phenology

Phenology

Above-/Below-  
Ground Biomass

**Ecosystem  
Respiration**  
C-Allocation  
C-Turnover

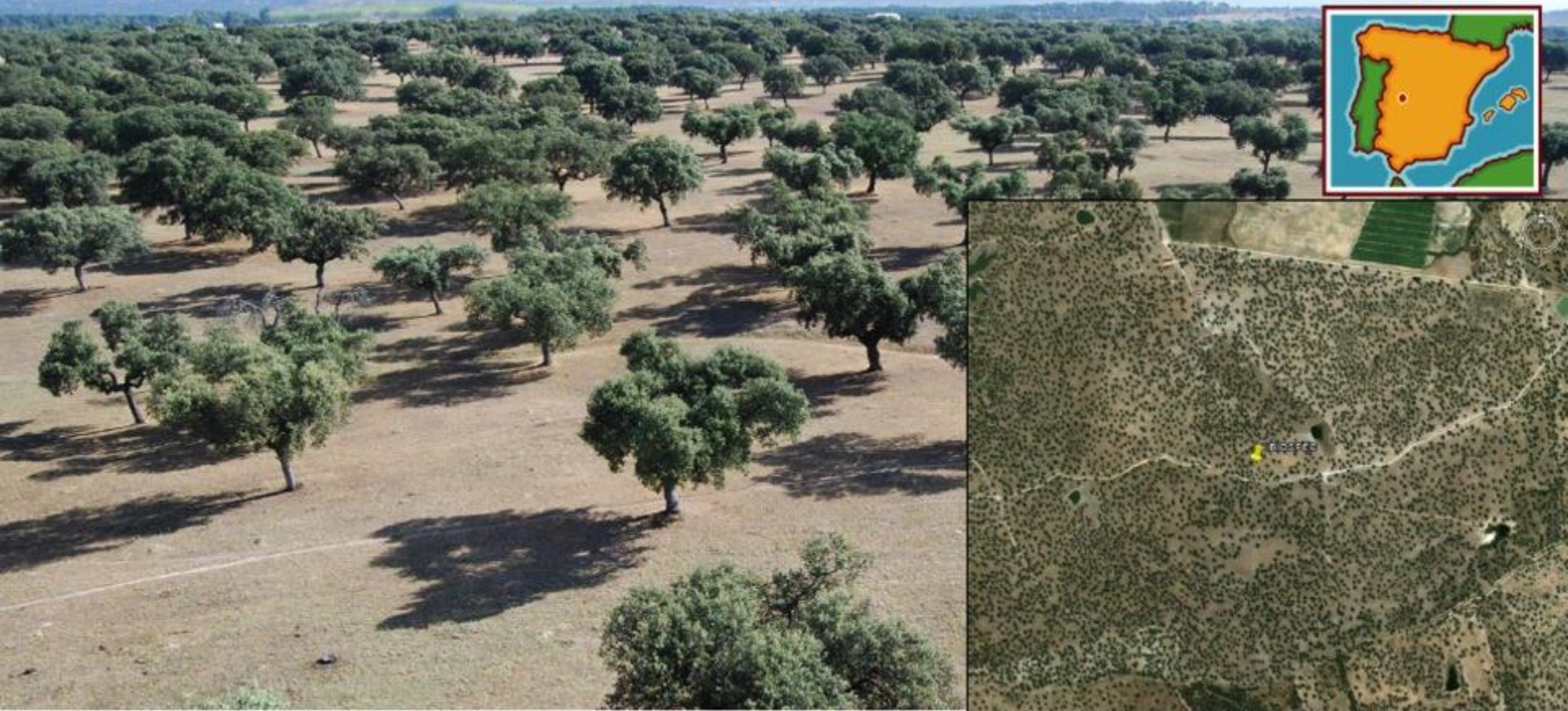
Soil processes and  
properties

SIF to predict GPP

Nutrient availability



# Las Majadas del Tietar (39°56'29" N, 5°46'24" W), Extremadura, Spain



Ecosystem: **dehesa** Mediterranean Holm Oak open woodland (Savanna)

Mediterranean Climate: annual T = 16.7 °C, annual Prec = 550 mm LAI = 0.4 (trees) + 1-1.5 (grass)

Soil: Stagnic Alisols, depth > 2m. Texture: sandy loam. soil C is 8.5 g/kg and soil N is 0.82 g/kg (0-20cm layer).

Tree canopy: 98% *Quercus ilex*; 25 tree/ha; mean DBH = 45cm; canopy height = 7-10 m; canopy fraction = 20%

Management: tree pruning every 25 years to optimize acorn production

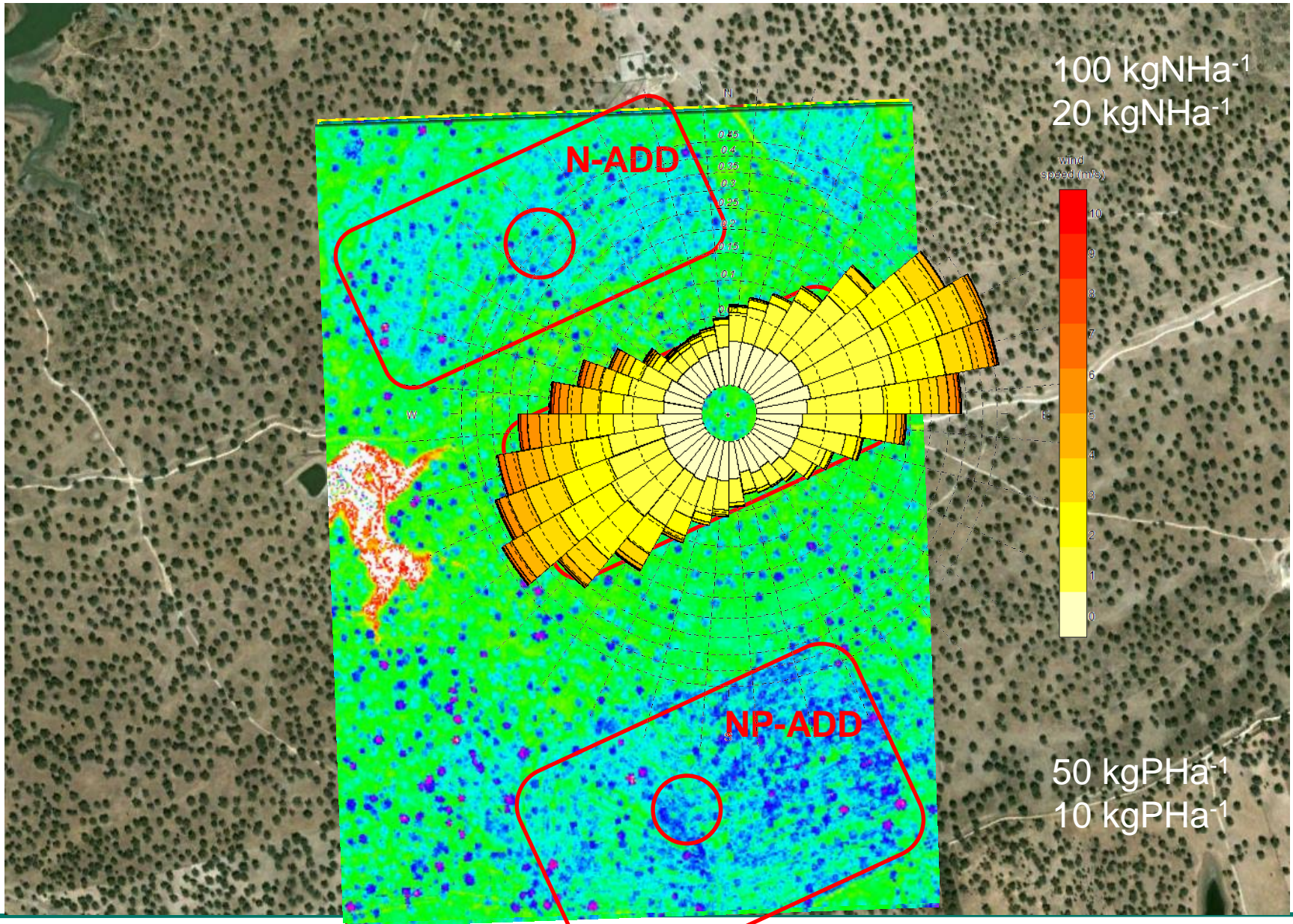
Herbaceous layer: high biodiversity (easy to find > 20 species within 4 m<sup>2</sup>); ≠ composition below tree / open;

Management: continuous grazing (cows)

Courtesy A. Carrara



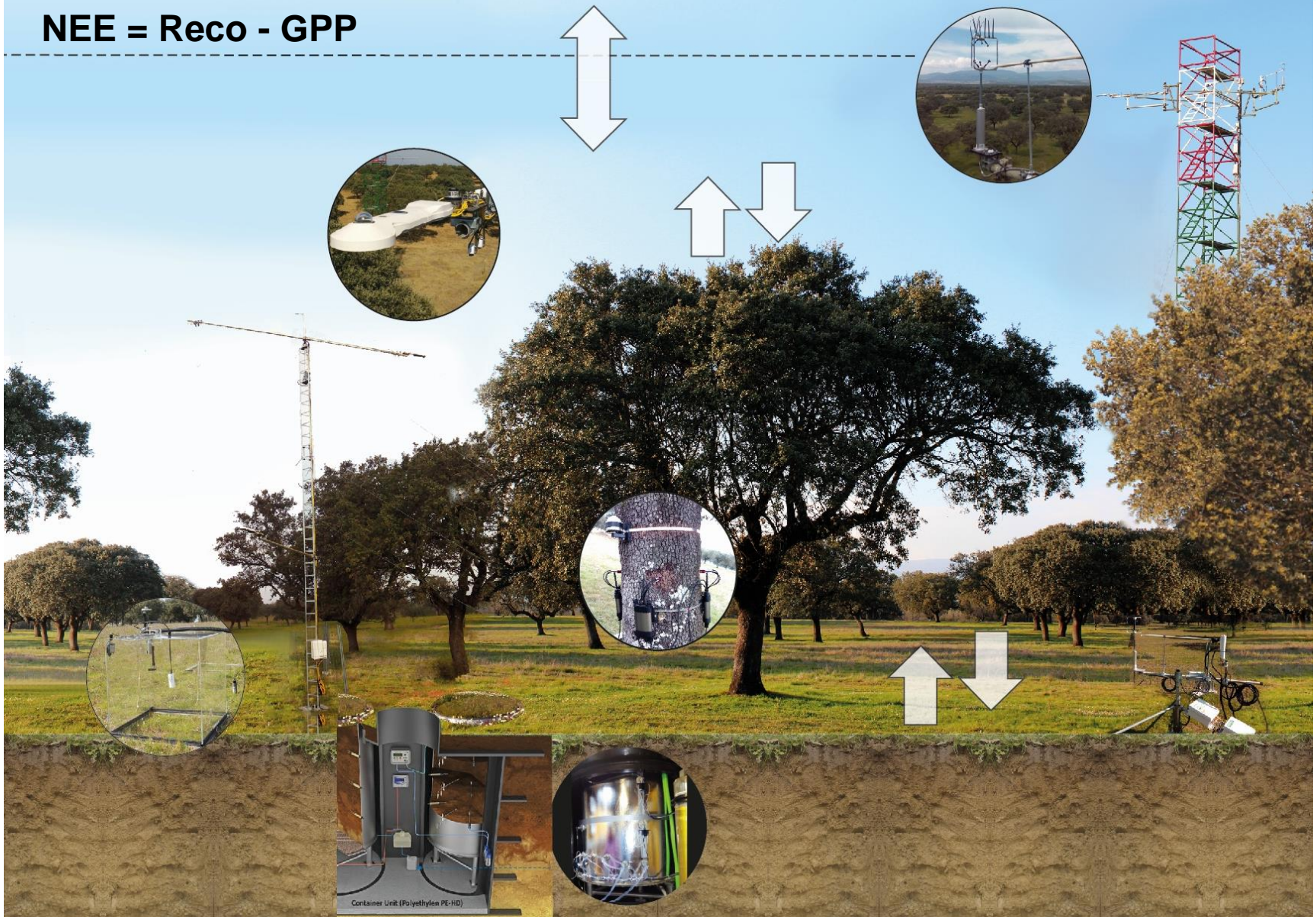
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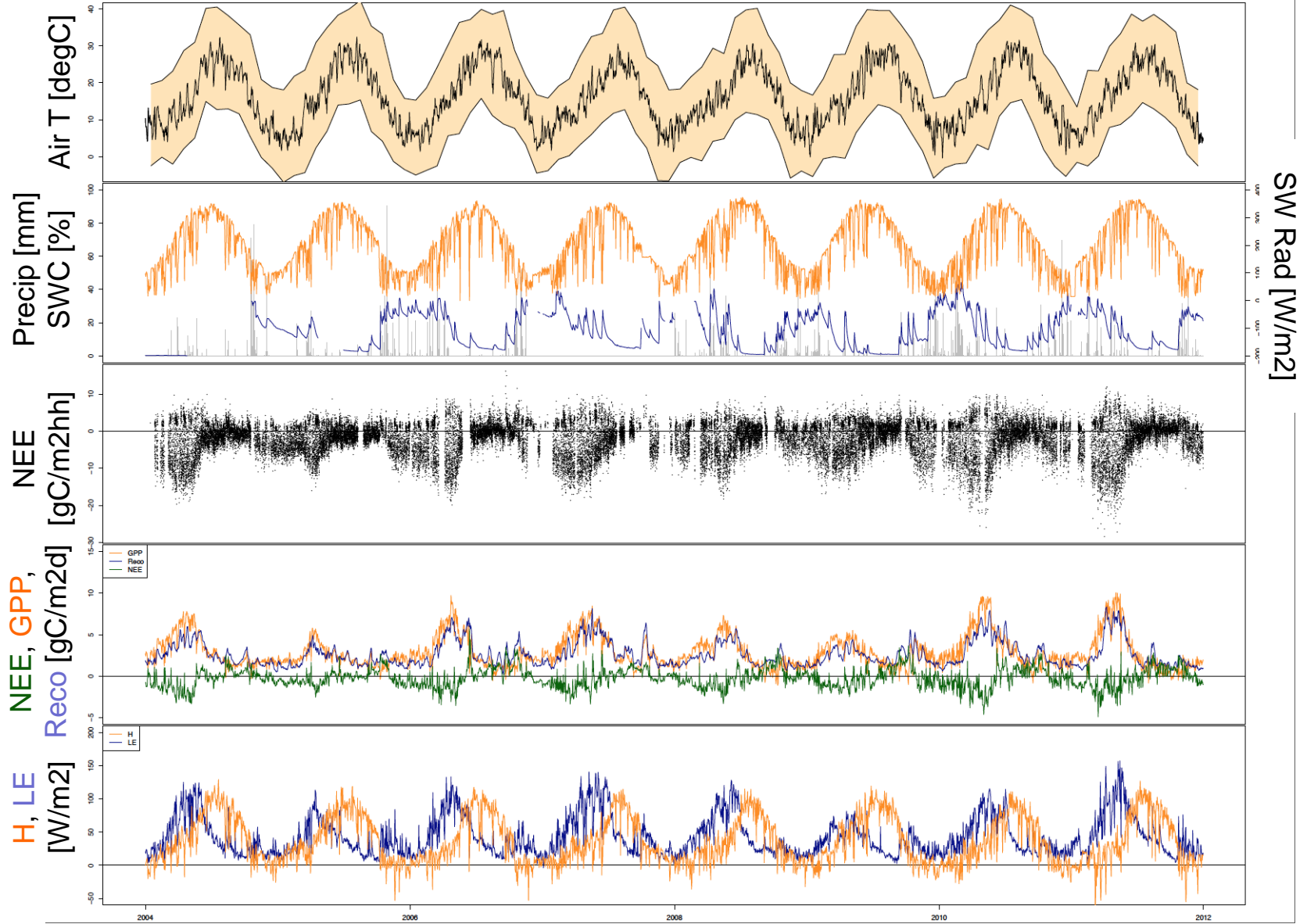


# Experimental Site

$NEE = Reco - GPP$



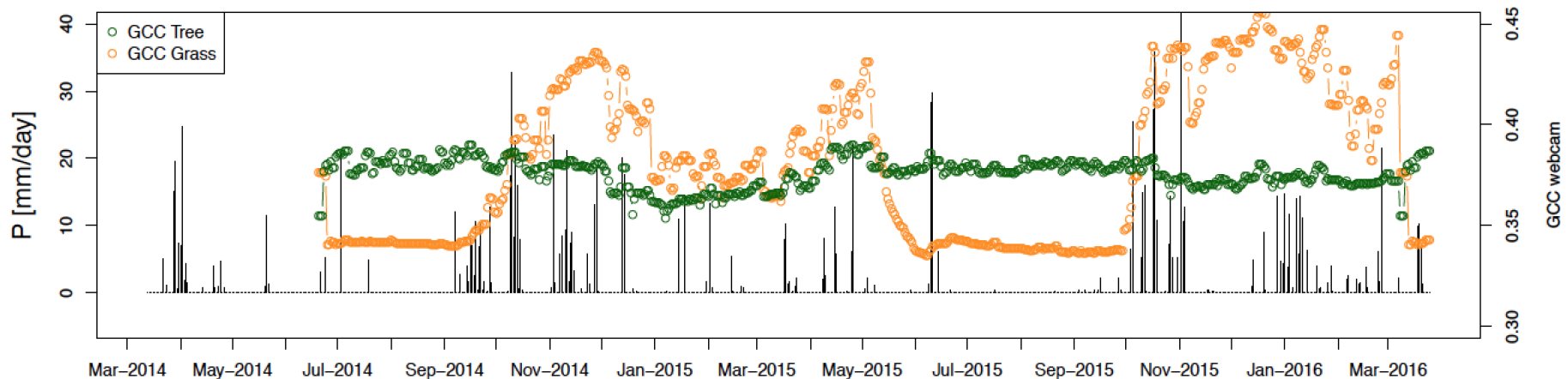
# Experimental Site – Long Term EC station



Data collected by CEAM – Valencia (PI Arnaud Carrara)

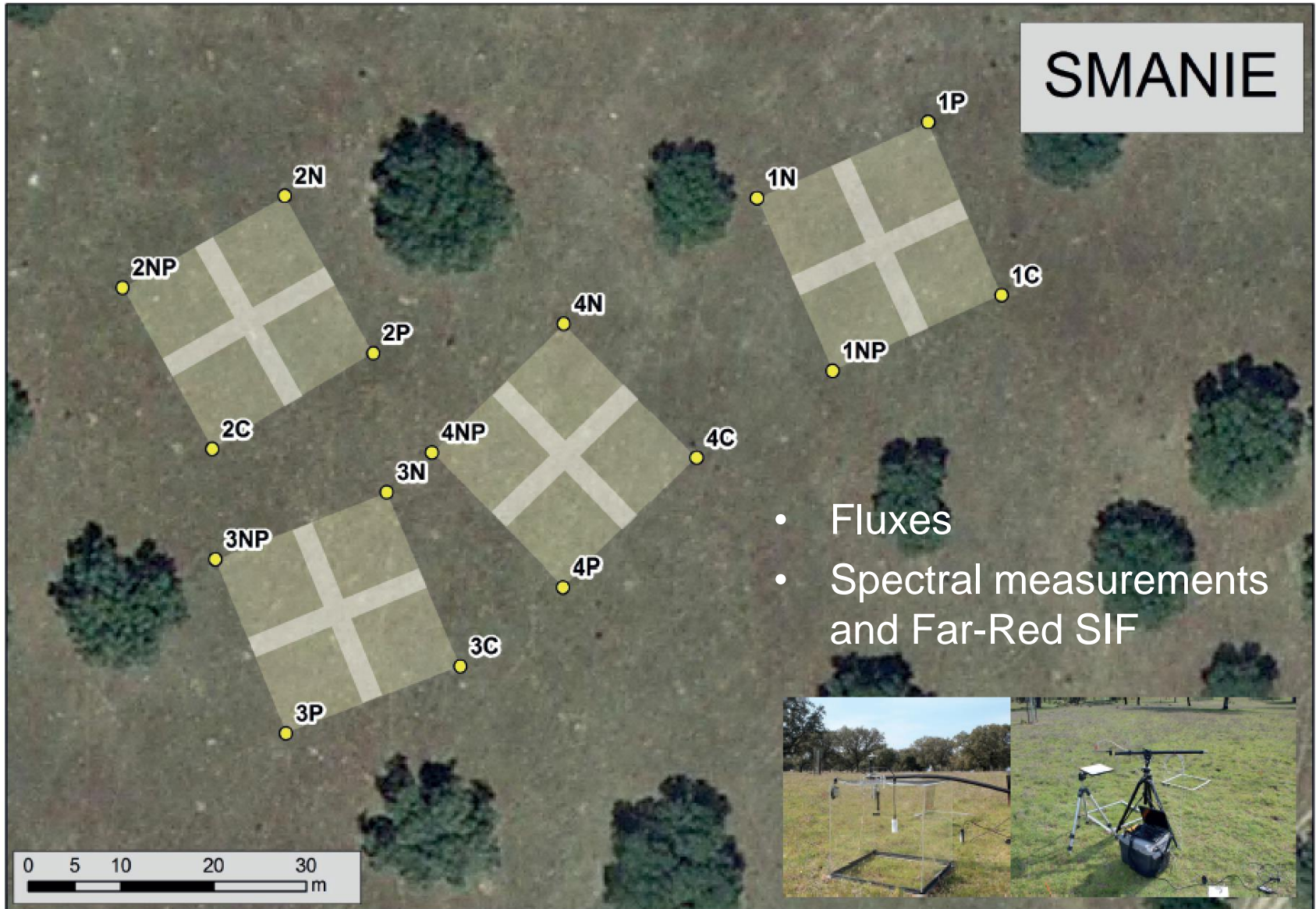


# Experimental Site - Phenology



- **Typical Mediterranean ecosystem with dry summer**
- **Grass layer activity determined by water availability**
- **Evergreen Holm Oak**
- **Definition of phenophase based on greenness (e.g peak of season)**

# Experimental Site – SMANIE

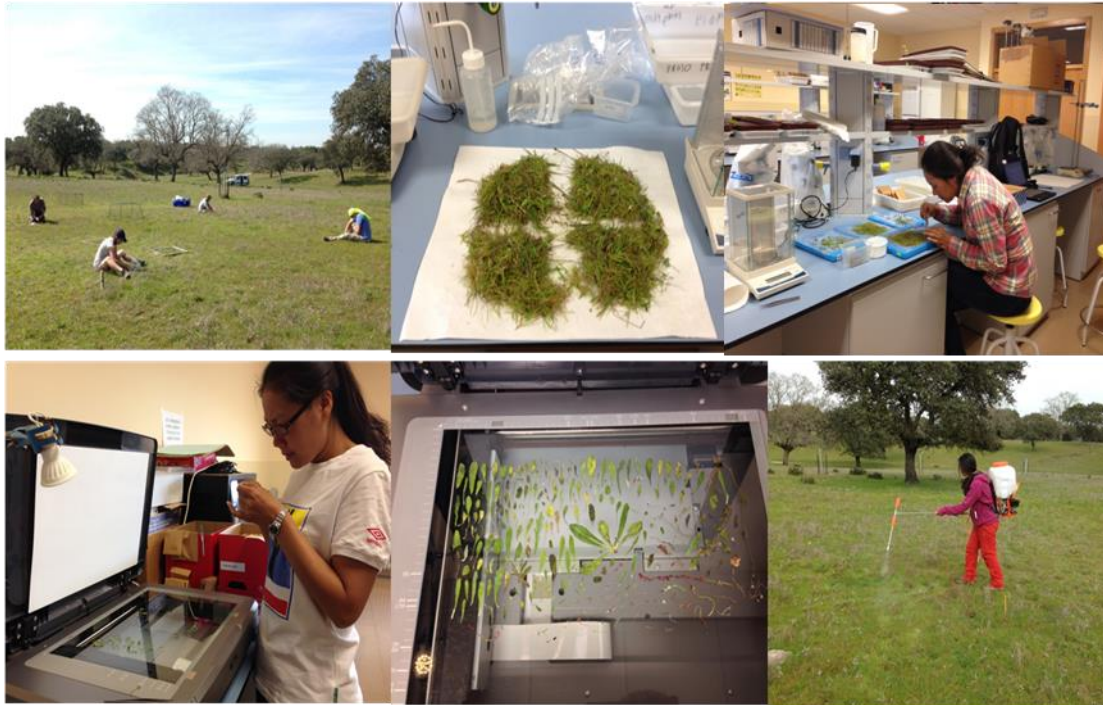




# Experimental Site – SMANIE

PLOT	Fertilizer	N, kg/ha	P, kg/ha	K, kg/ha
N	Potassium Nitrate ( $\text{KNO}_3$ ) Ammonium Nitrate ( $\text{NH}_4\text{NO}_3$ )	44 156		123
P	Monopotassium Phosphate ( $\text{KH}_2\text{PO}_4$ )		100	123
N+P	Ammonium Nitrate ( $\text{NH}_4\text{NO}_3$ ) Monopotassium Phosphate ( $\text{KH}_2\text{PO}_4$ )	200	100	123

Fertilization conducted in March 2014 and 2015



- Green/Dry biomass
- Direct LAI
- Canopy height
- Plant forms abundance
- Nutrient analysis in the main plant forms
- Soil C, N, and P content
- Top of the canopy images



- 1) Effects of N and P availability on fluxes: Photosynthesis (GPP) and Total Ecosystem Respiration (Reco)**
- 2) Effects on efficiencies: Light and Water Use**
- 3) Detection of ecosystem functions with Sun Induced Fluorescence (SIF): Interplay between Photosynthesis, Structural Changes and photosynthetic efficiencies**



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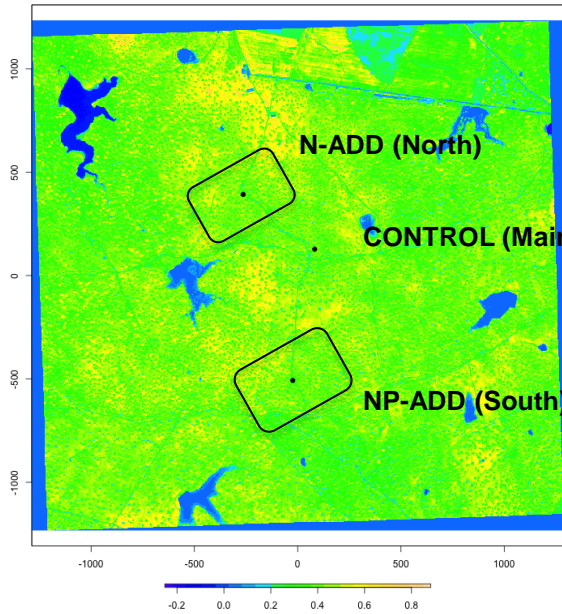


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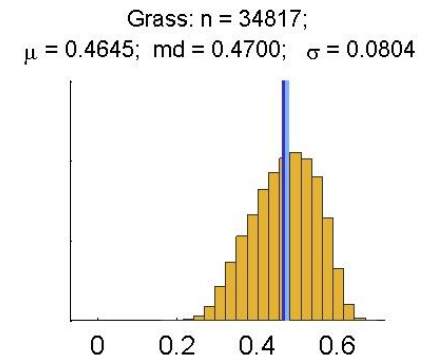
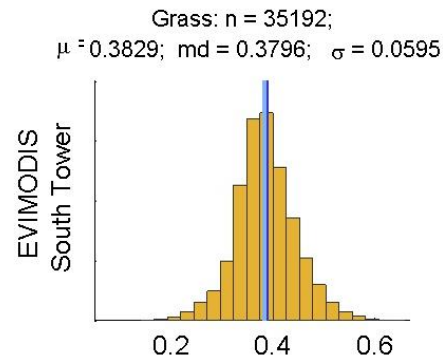
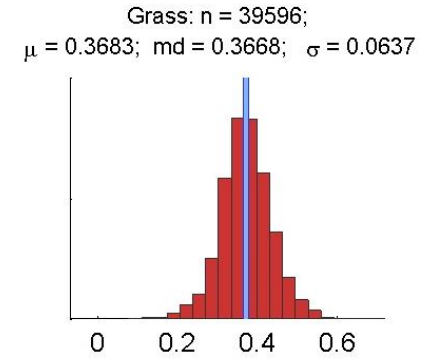
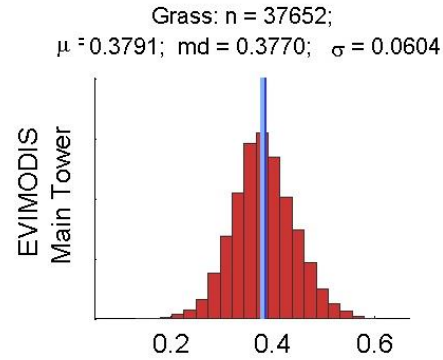
## ...Ecosystem scale responses

# Effects fertilization

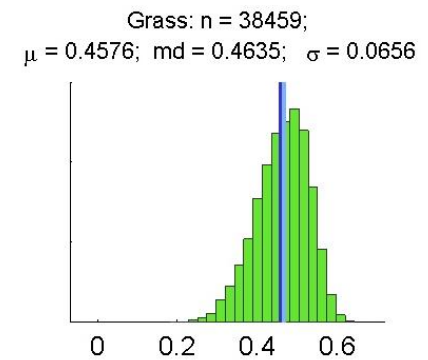
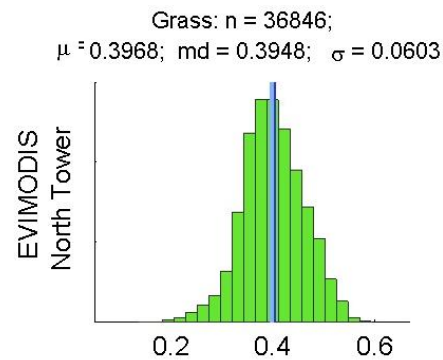
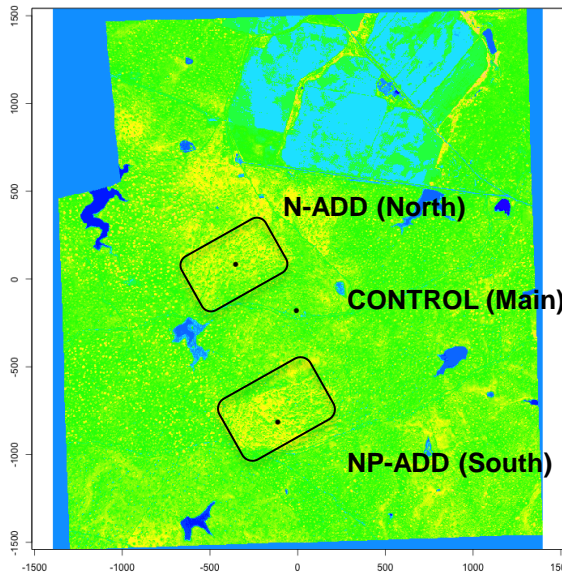
Pre-fertilization



**N-ADD (North)**  
**CONTROL (Main)**  
**NP-ADD (South)**



Post-fertilization



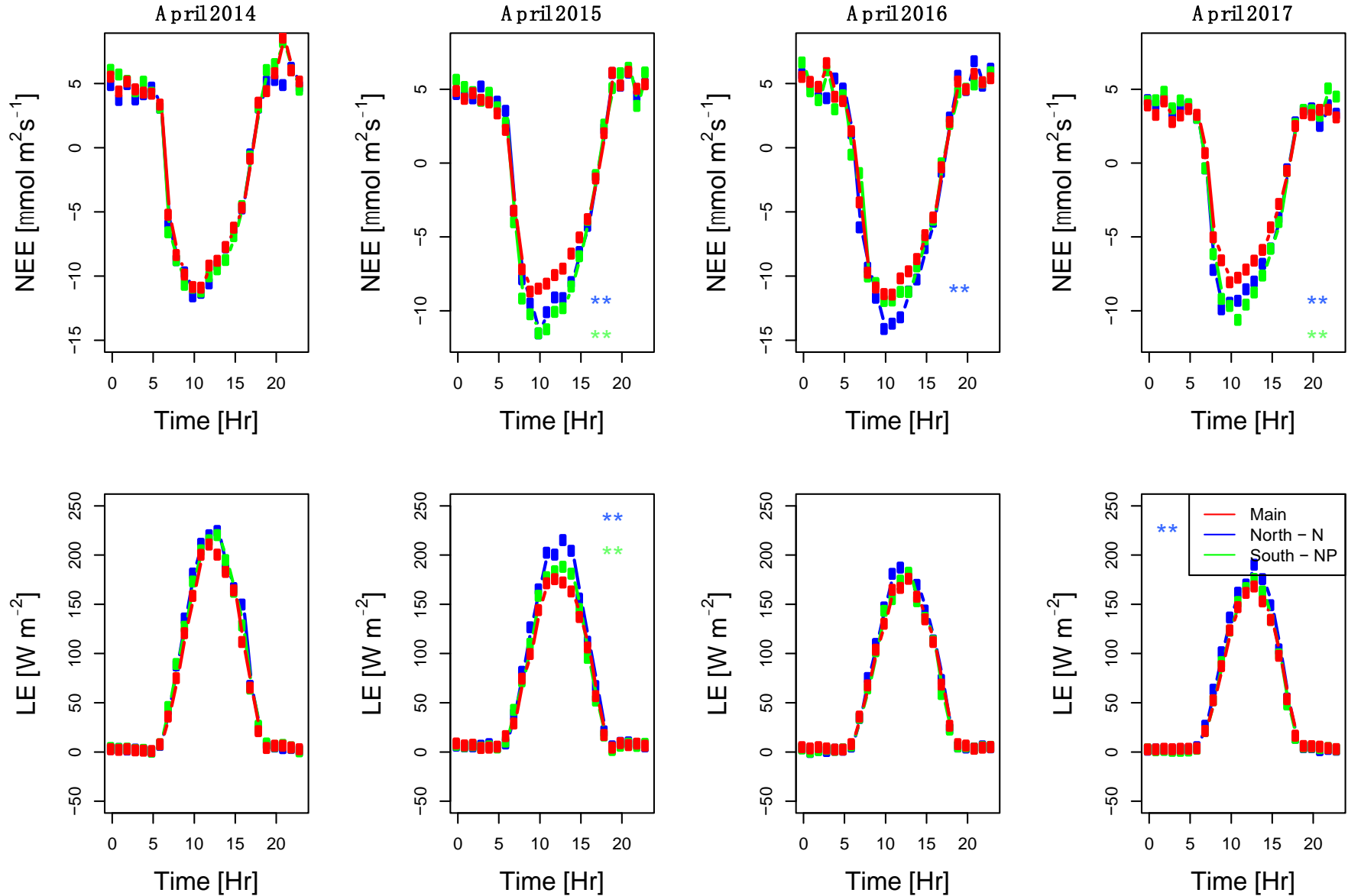


## Faster phosphate turnover in plot fertilized with nitrogen or phosphorus implying co-limitation

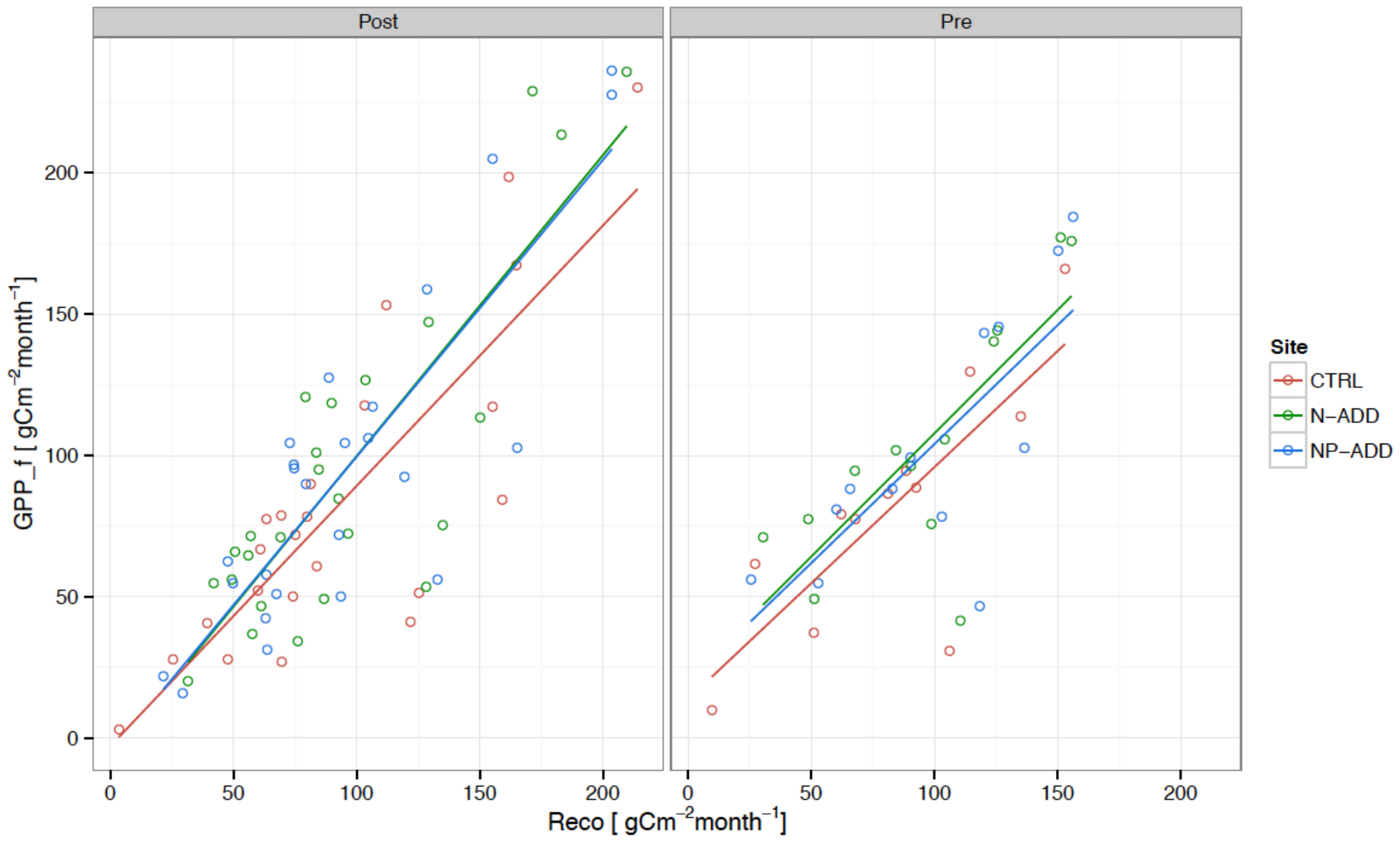
Site	Treatment	$\delta^{18}\text{O}_p$ (‰)	Bioavailable P concentration ( $\mu\text{g/g soil}$ )	Organic P concentration ( $\mu\text{g/g soil}$ )	C concentration (mg/g soil)	N concentration (mg/g soil)
MANIP	Control	$23.8 \pm 0.8$	$4.6 \pm 0.3$	$15.9 \pm 0.5$	$10.1 \pm 1.8$	$0.9 \pm 0.2$
	Control - Tree	$24 \pm 0.8$	$9.4 \pm 0.3$	$19.2 \pm 3.1$	$20.8 \pm 5.6$	$1.8 \pm 0.5$
	N	$23.1 \pm 0.2$	$5.3 \pm 1.1$	$10.7 \pm 1.6$	$11.1 \pm 0.6$	$1.0 \pm 0.1$
	N - Tree	$23.6 \pm 1.1$	$4.4 \pm 2.8$	$19.6 \pm 2.6$	$17.9 \pm 4.3$	$1.7 \pm 0.3$
	P	$25.1 \pm 2.2$	$10.8 \pm 9.9$	$10.0 \pm 1.6$	$8.0 \pm 3.1$	$0.7 \pm 0.3$
	P - Tree	$25.8 \pm 0.7$	$12.7 \pm 2.3$	$20.7 \pm 5.2$	$22.9 \pm 7.6$	$2.0 \pm 0.5$
	NP	$23.6 \pm 0$	$9.1 \pm 0.1$	$16.7 \pm 0.5$	$11.8 \pm 1.7$	$1.1 \pm 0.1$
	NP - Tree	$25.1 \pm 0.1$	$10.6 \pm 1.3$	$22.9 \pm 6.3$	$19.4 \pm 2.0$	$1.8 \pm 0.2$
SMANIE	Control	$23.1 \pm 0.4$	$4.1 \pm 0.4$			
	N	$23.2 \pm 0.8$	$4.9 \pm 0.8$			
	P	$25.2 \pm 0.6$	$21.2 \pm 4$			
	NP	$24.4 \pm 0.4$	$16.2 \pm 1.7$			

Weiner et al., (Submitted)

# Response of fluxes



# Photosynthesis vs Ecosystem Respiration



Statistical significant differences slope post fertilization ANCOVA ( $p < 0.05$ )

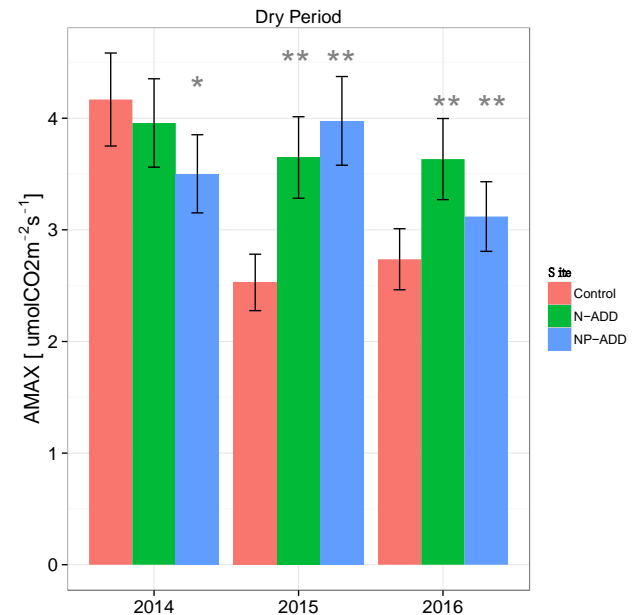
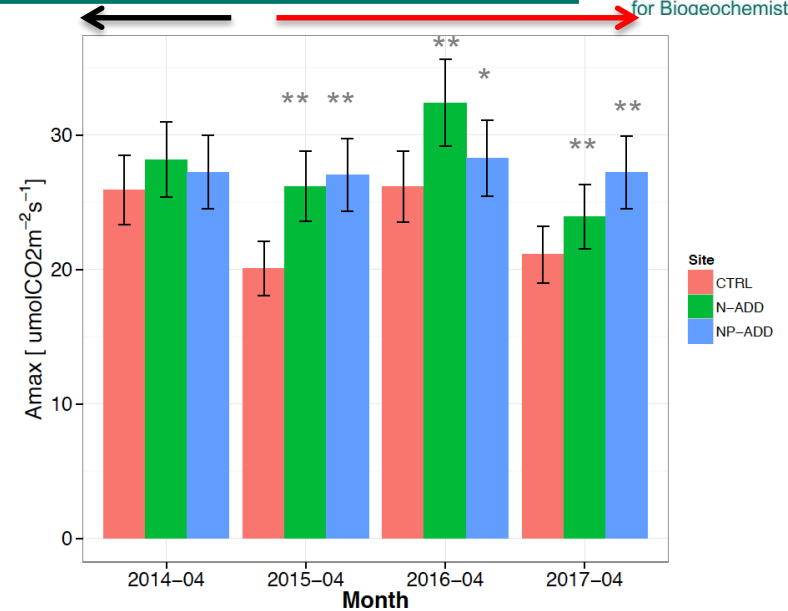
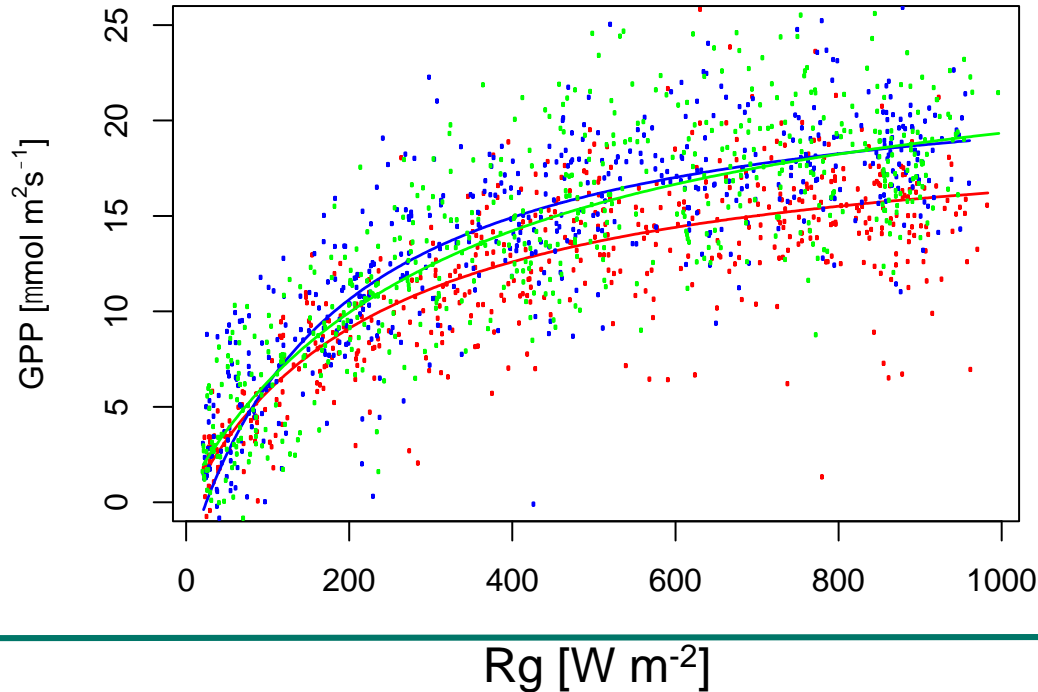
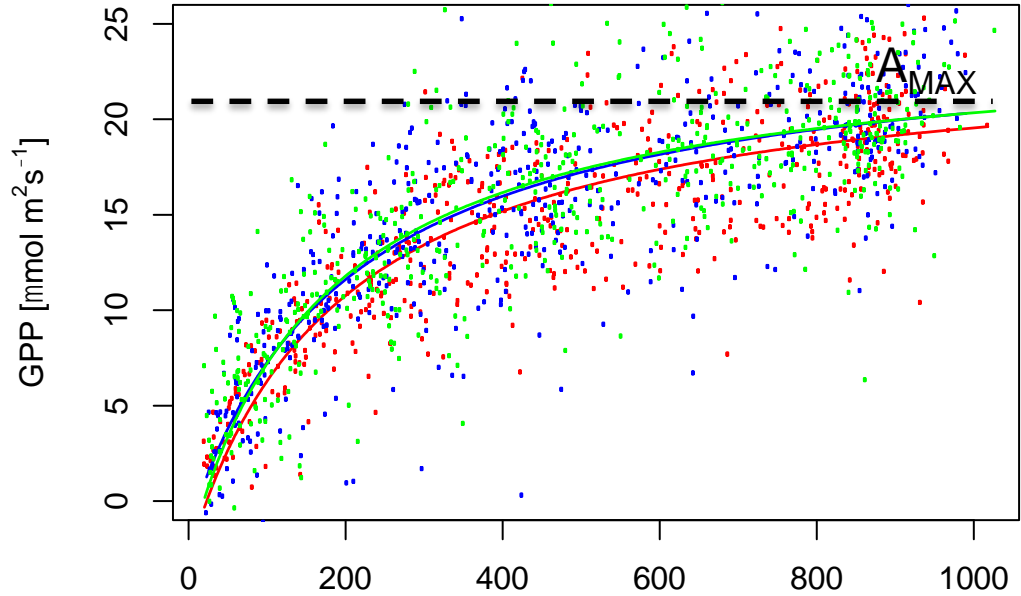
# Response of Photosynthesis



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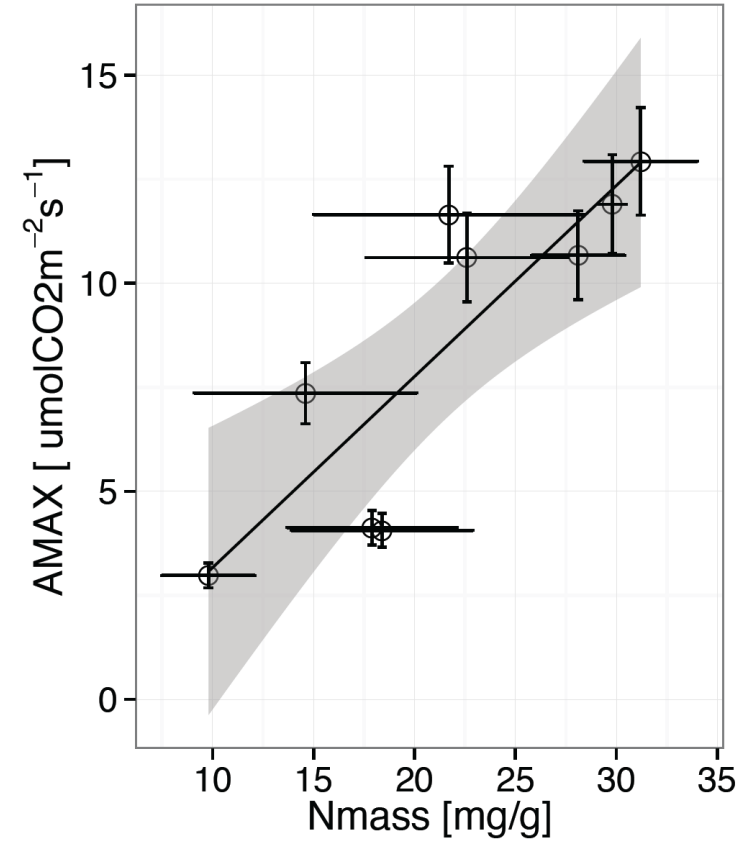
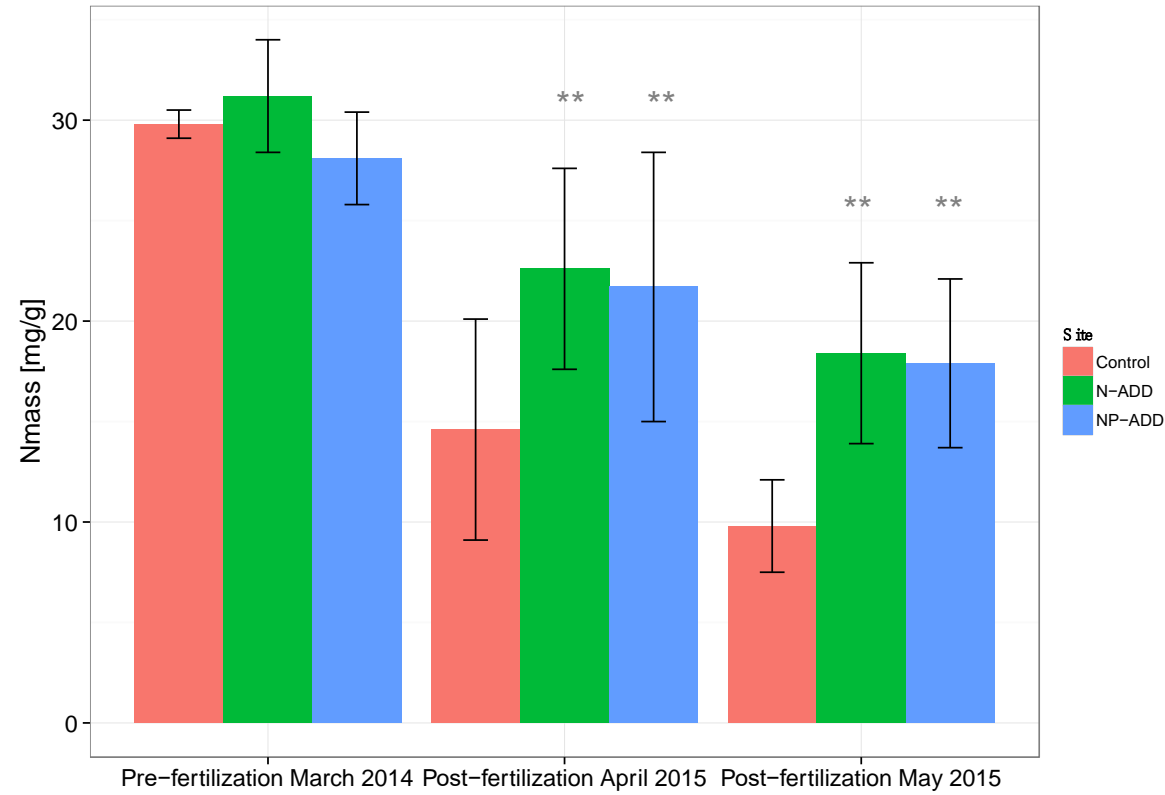


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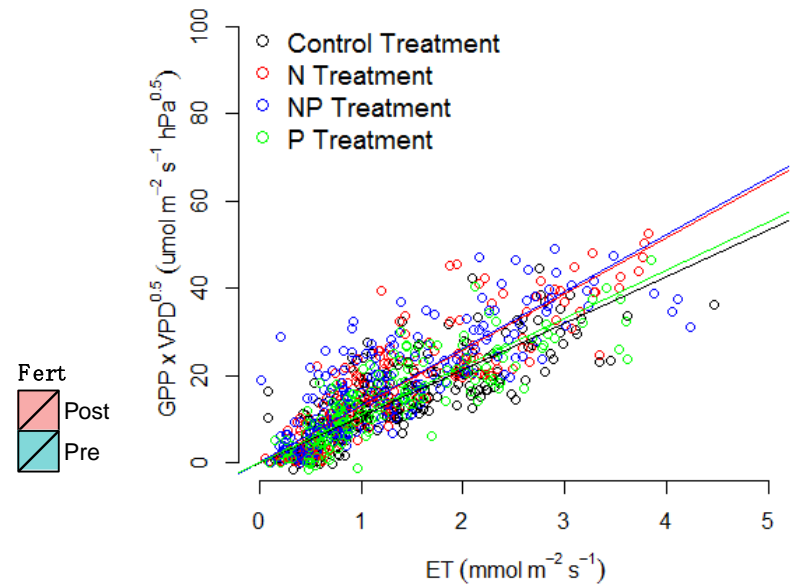
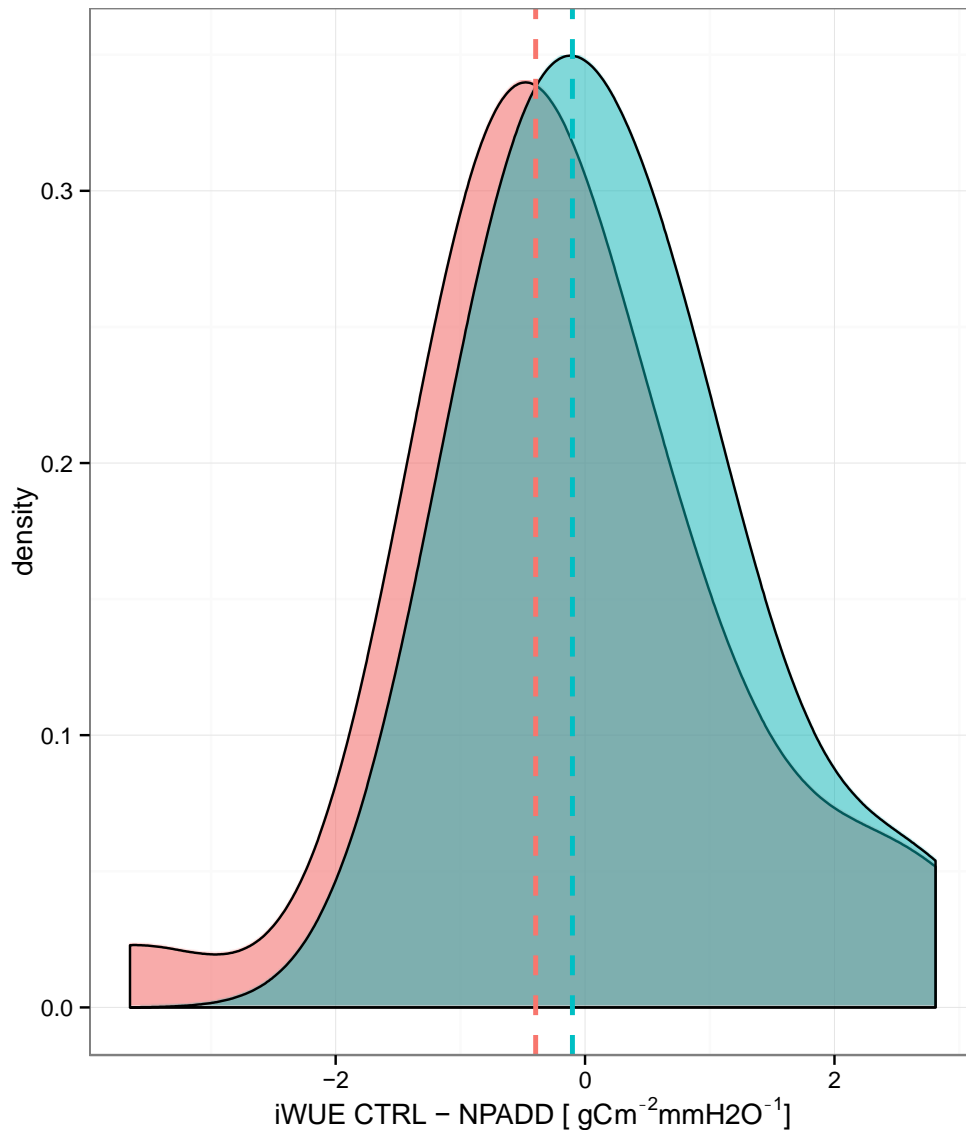




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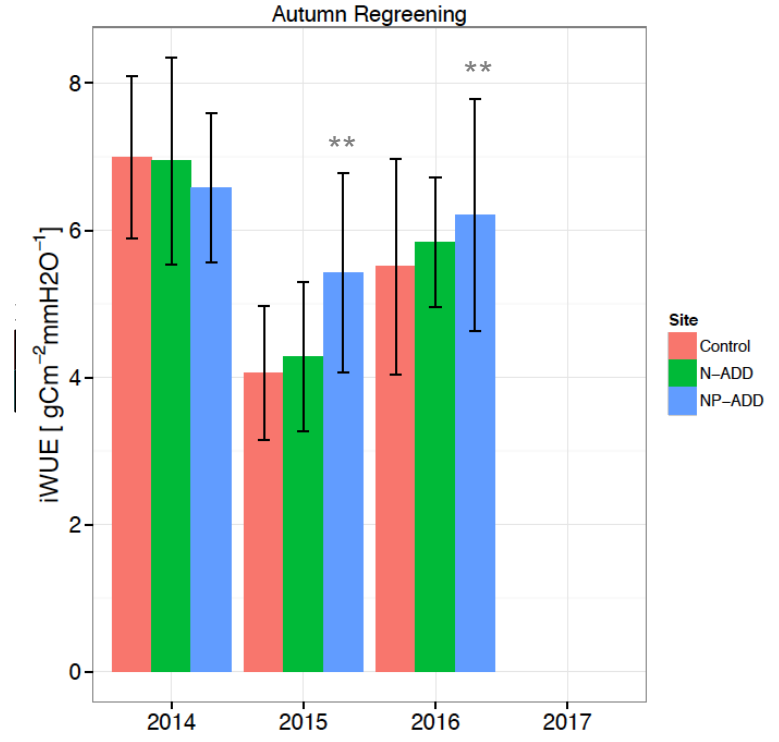
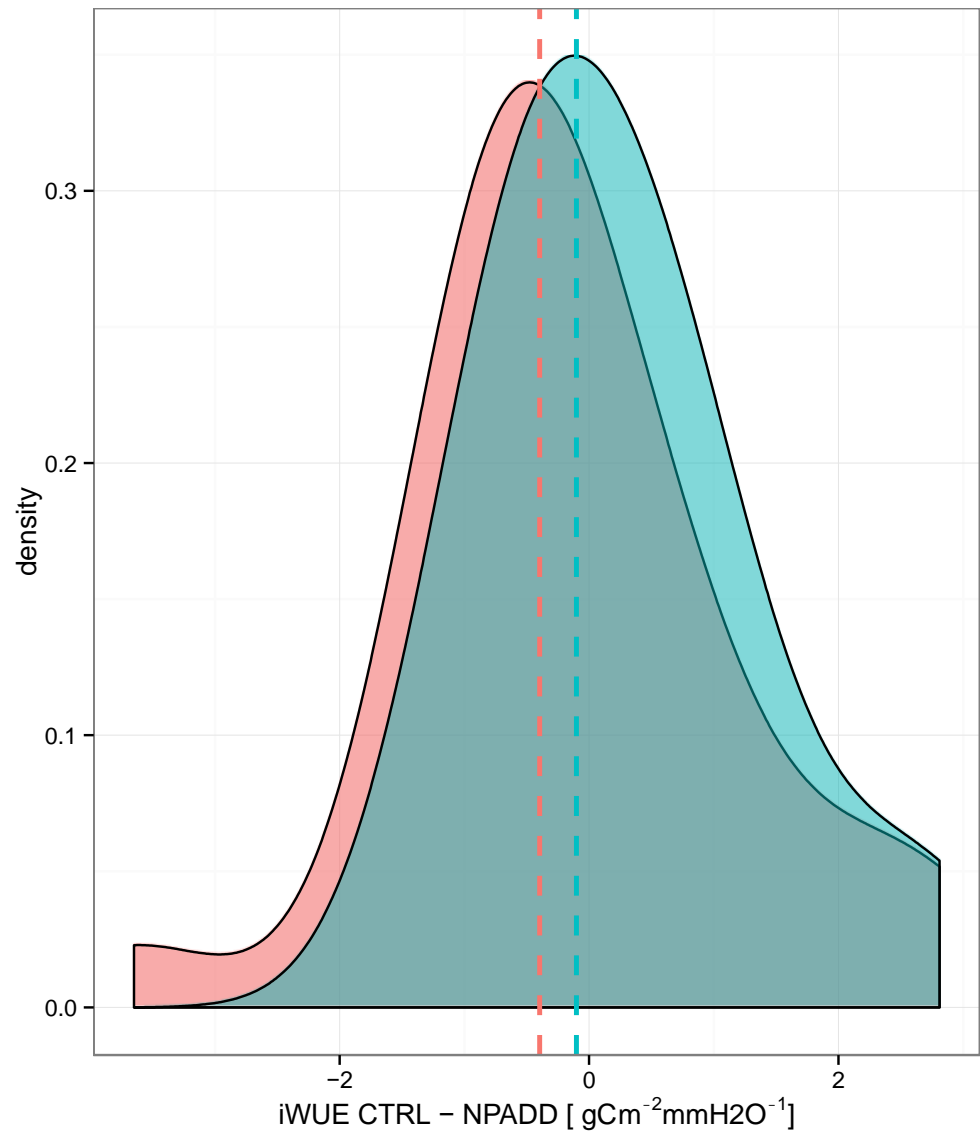


# Response of Water Use Efficiency



$$iWUE = \frac{GPP \sqrt{VPD}}{T}$$

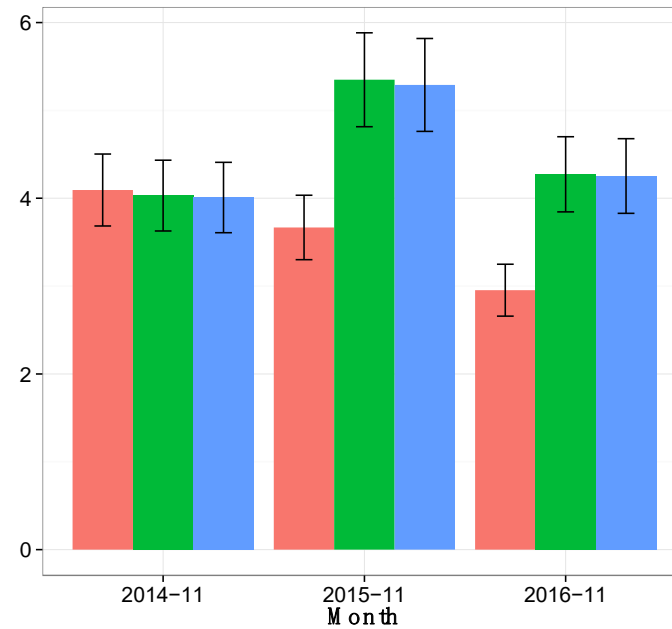
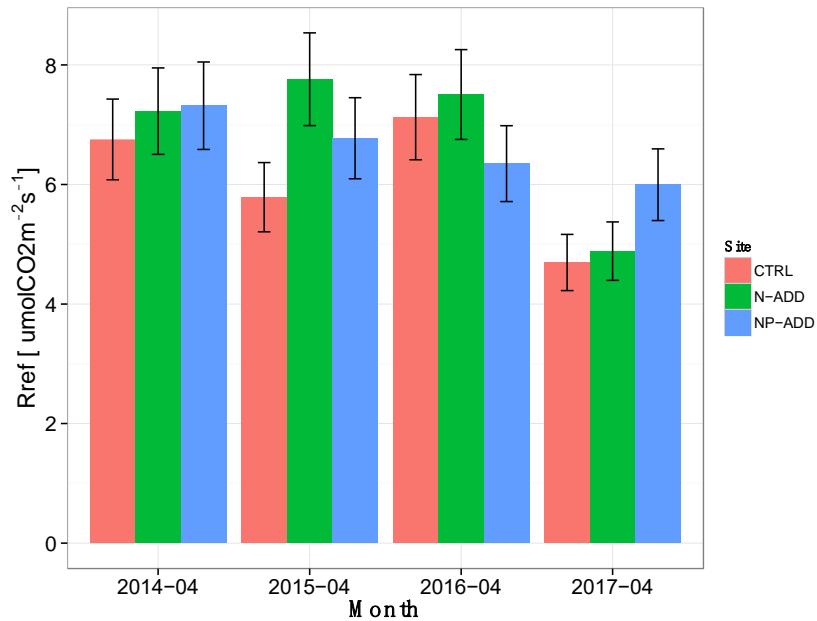
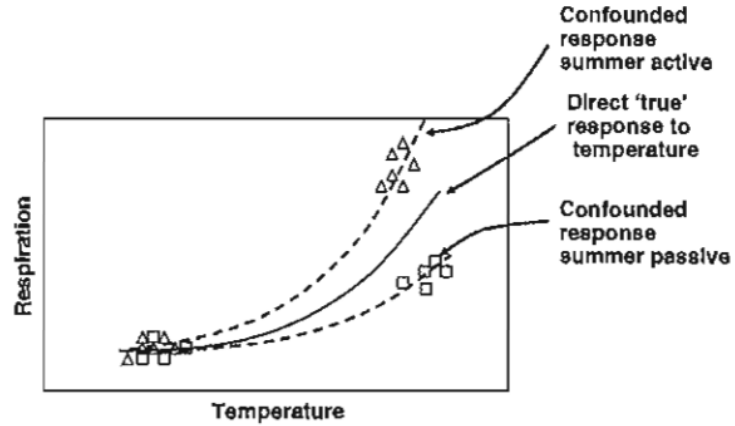
# Response of Water Use Efficiency



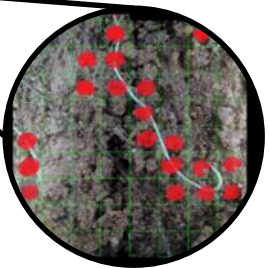
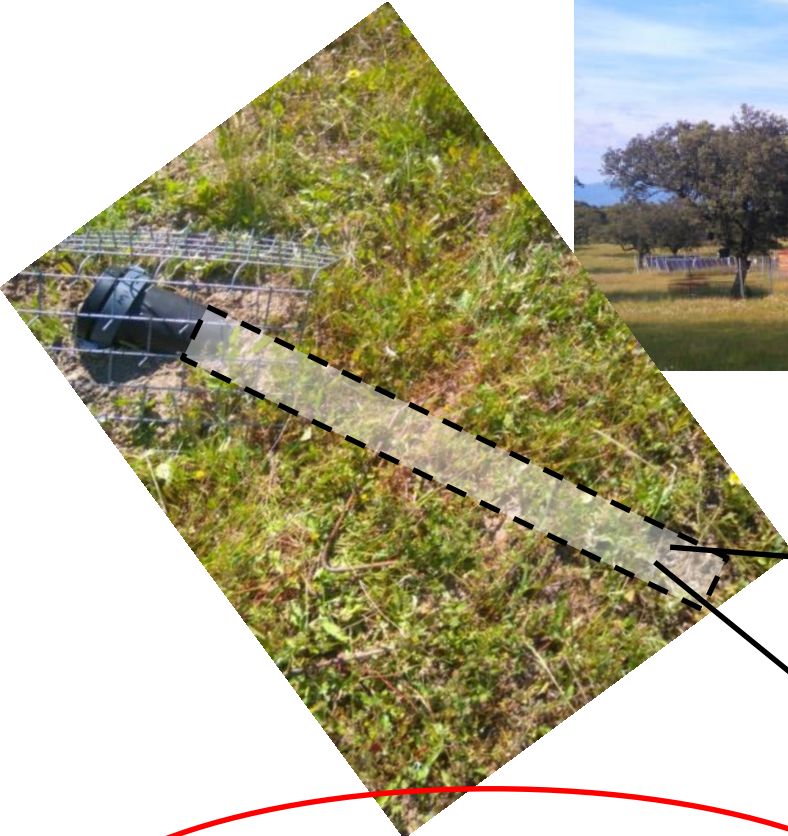


# Response of Ecosystem respiration

$$R_{eco} = R_{ref} e^{E_0(1/(T_{ref}-T_0) - 1/(T-T_0))}$$



# Response of Ecosystem respiration



## MINIRHIZOTRON MEASUREMENTS

*'remote sensed'* Root biomass  
Root dynamics/phenology

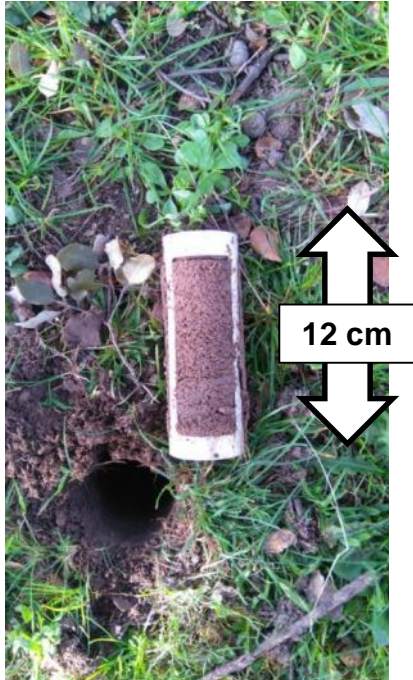
## INGROWTH CORES AND DIRECT SAMPLING

Root Biomass, Root C/N/P  
INGROWTH CORES CONTAINING  $^{15}\text{N}$  -  
LITTER

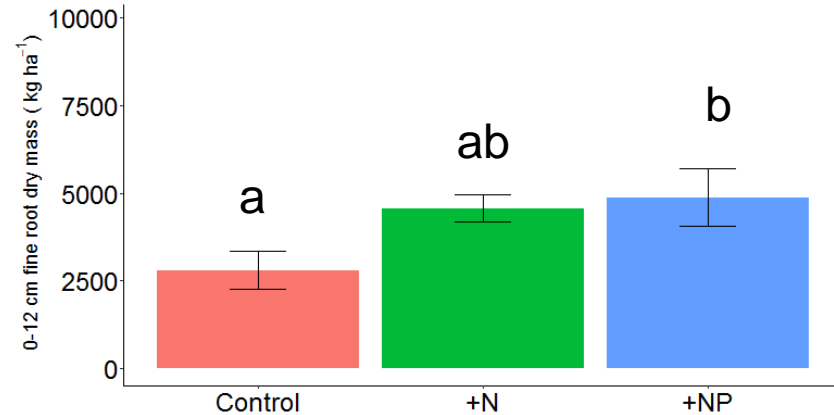
Soil  $^{15}\text{N}$  partitioning / litter decomposition

# Response of Ecosystem respiration

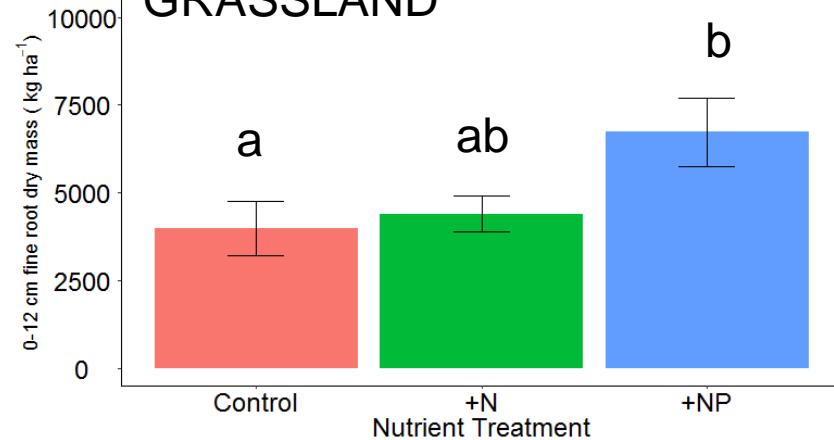
*Fine root = root in ingrowth core*



UNDER CANOPY



GRASSLAND



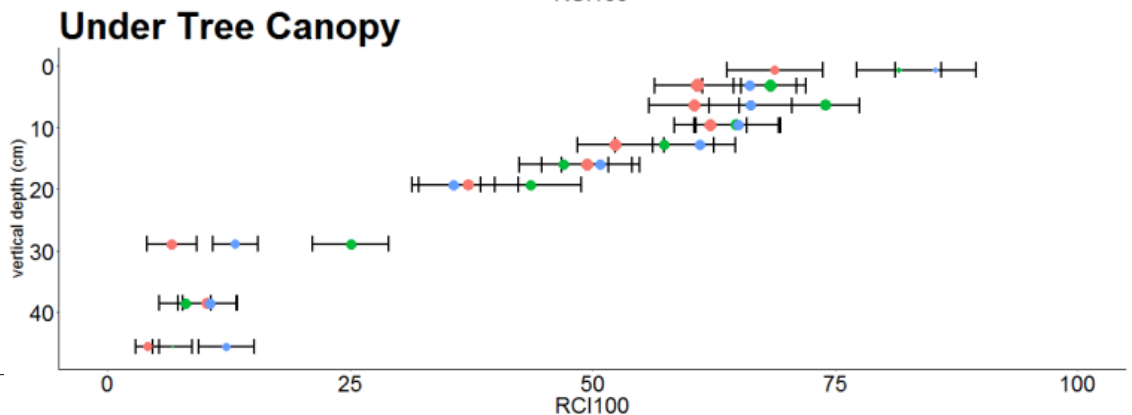
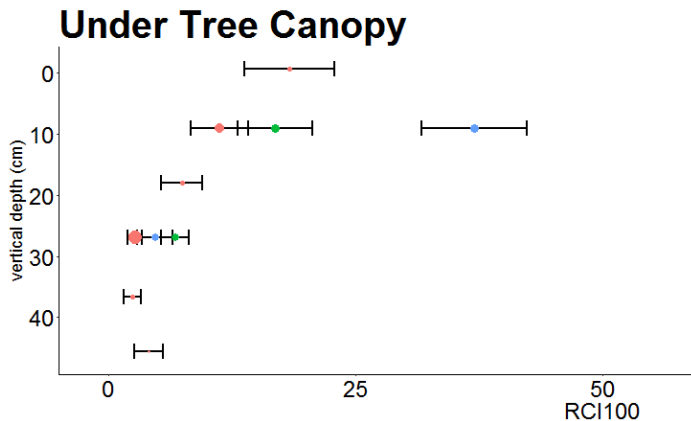
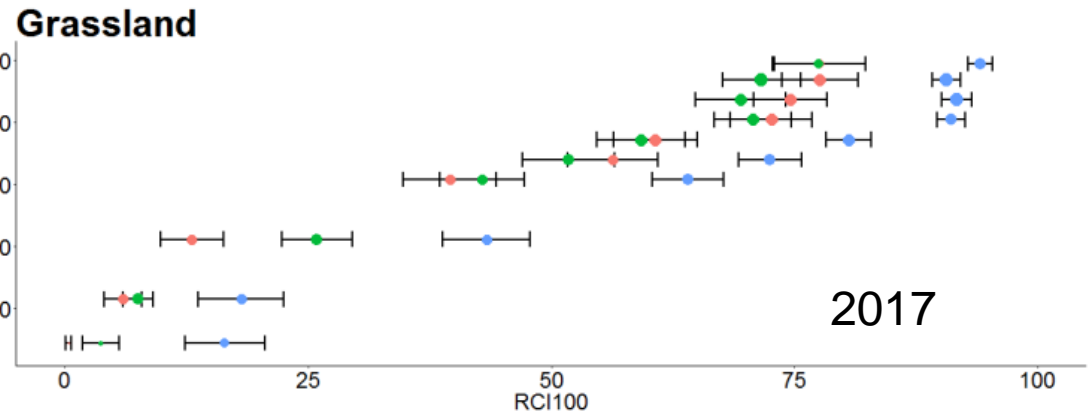
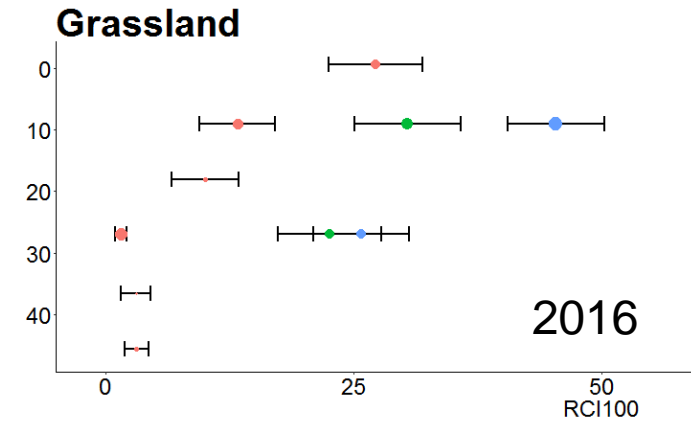
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Nair et al., In Prep



# Response of Ecosystem respiration

## *RCI: Root Cover 'Index'*

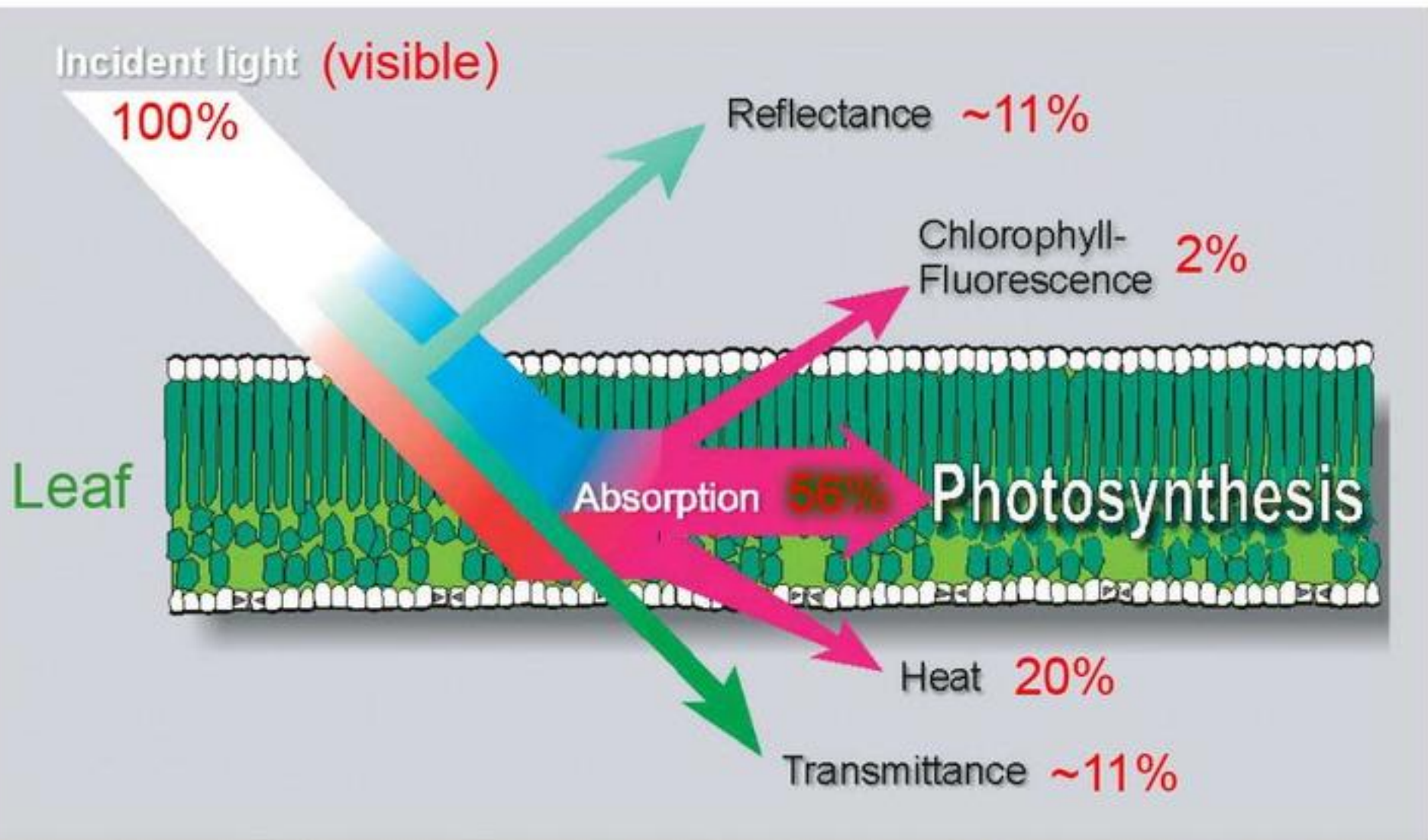


+N + P treatment has more roots IN GRASSLAND

No treatment difference under tree canopy

**...a remote sensing perspective**

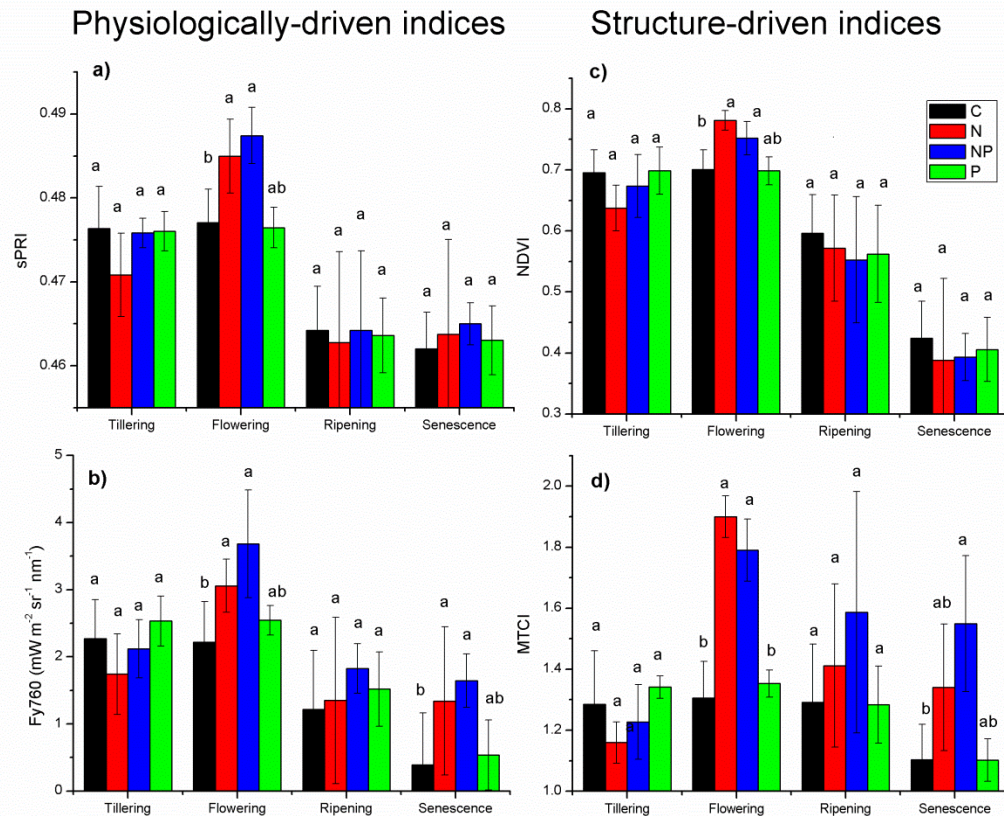
# Response of Photosynthesis



Mapping Photosynthesis from Space - a new vegetation-fluorescence technique  
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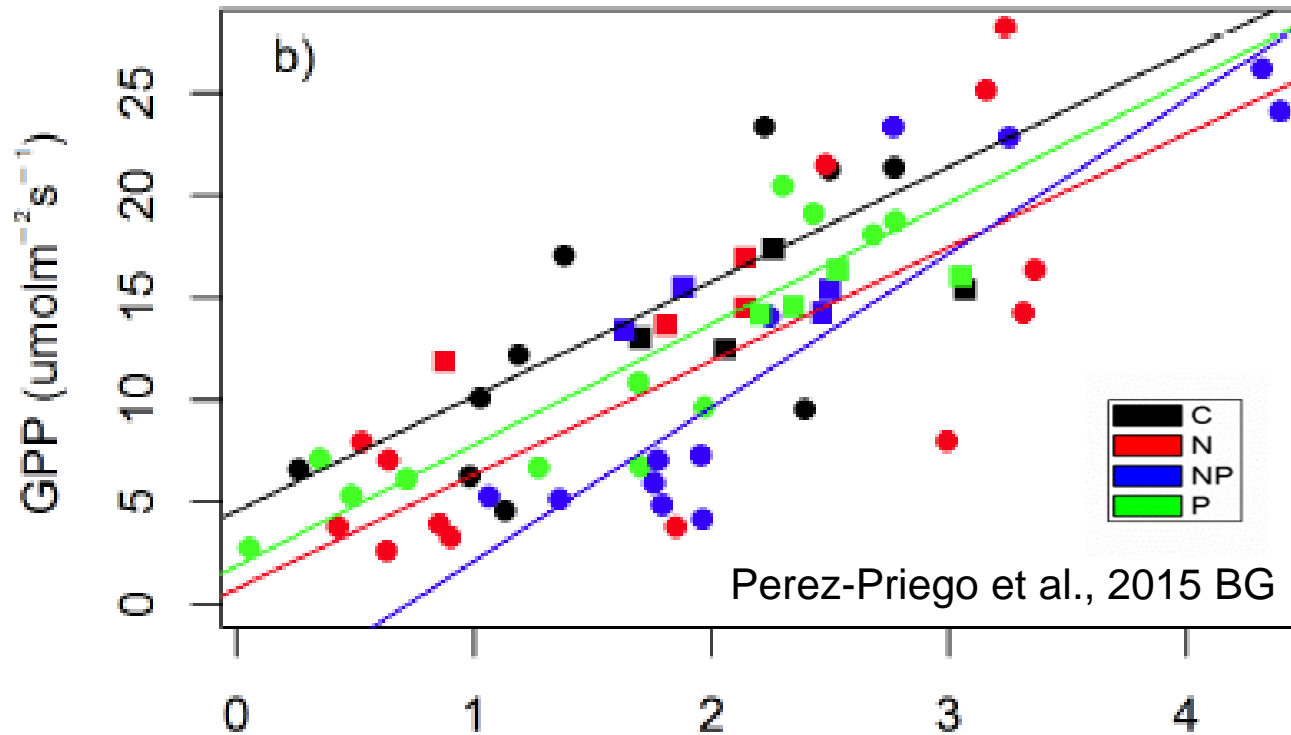
## Structural and physiological indices and SIF@760nm



**Fig 2.** Seasonal time course of mean midday VIs; a) Fy760, b) sPRI, c) NDVI, and d) ND.750.705 among C, N, NP and P treatments in a Mediterranean grassland in Spain. Bars indicate SE, N=4. Different letters denote significant difference (Weilch t test, P0.05).

- **MTCI strongly related with canopy N content ( $r=0.89^{***}$ )**
- **sPRI and SIF@760 nm jointly used to detect LUE across treatments**

# Response of Photosynthesis

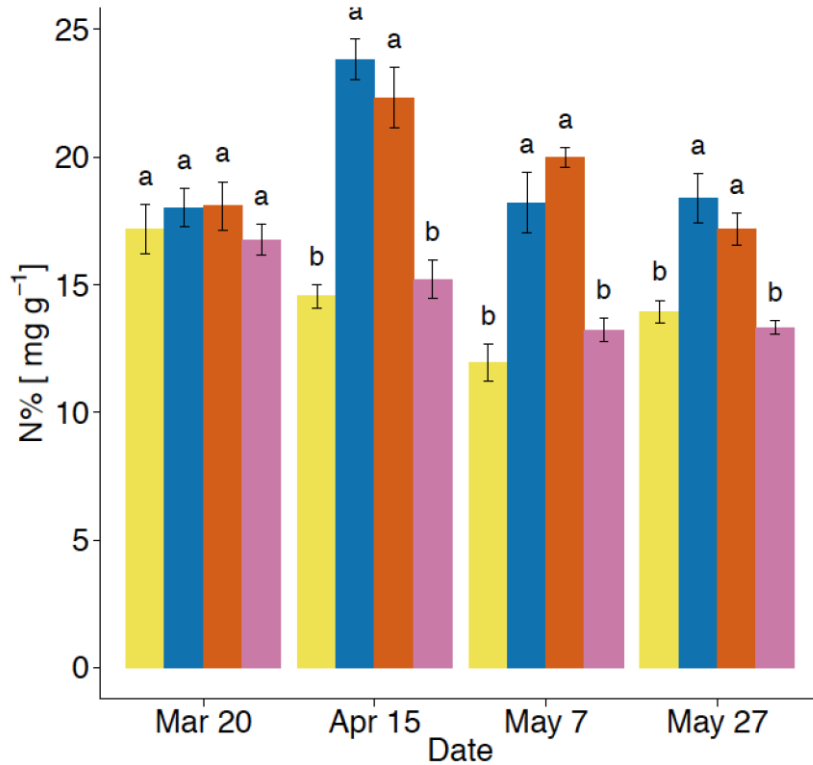


$$GPP \approx F760 \cdot \frac{LUE_p}{f_{esc} \cdot LUE_f}$$

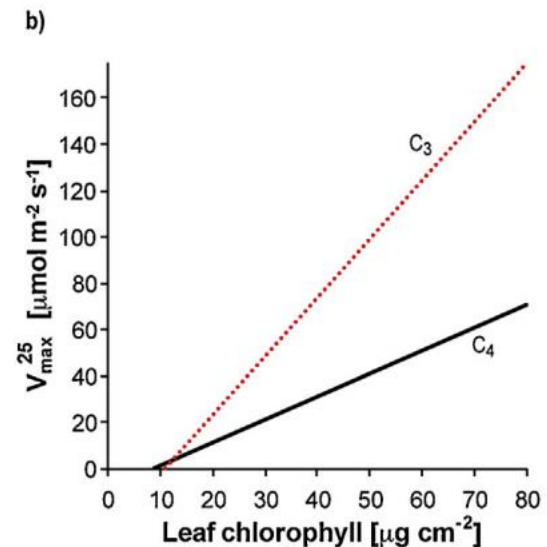
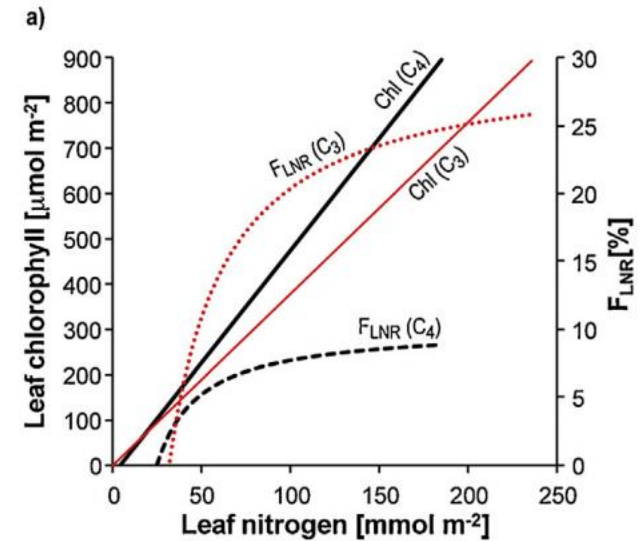
# Response of Photosynthesis - Modeling

## Effects of fertilization on functional traits

- changes in foliar N,P content and LMA  
→ changes in Chl ab and  $V_{\max}$
- Walker et al., 2014; Houborg et al., 2013;  
Feng and Dietze et al., 2013



Modified from Perez-Priego et al 2015 (BG)



Houborg et al 2013 (AFM)



# Response of Photosynthesis - Modeling

## Effects of fertilization on biodiversity and canopy structure

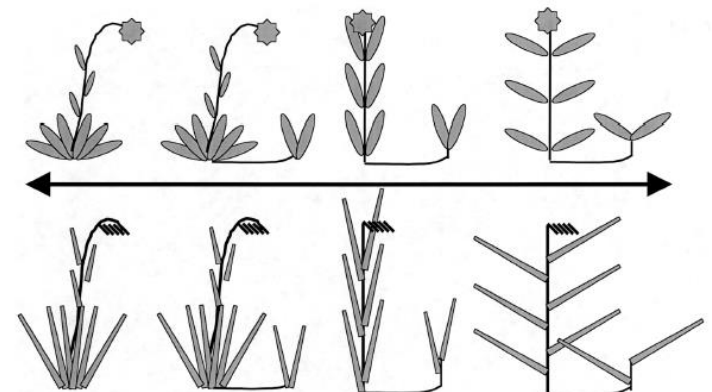
- Changes in the fraction of plant forms (%) lead to changes in leaf angle distribution
- Parameters recomputed accounting for a typical Leaf Angle Distribution the 3 main plant forms

Campaign	Treatment	Total PAI <sub>g</sub> (m <sup>2</sup> m <sup>-2</sup> )	Total PAI <sub>g</sub> (m <sup>2</sup> m <sup>-2</sup> )	Forbs f <sub>PAI</sub>	Grass f <sub>PAI</sub>	Legumes f <sub>PAI</sub>
Date	–	mean	SD	%	%	%
no. 1	C	0.85	0.18	35.5	56.8	7.7
20 March 2014	N	0.76	0.21	39.2	45.1	15.0
Growing period	NP	1.03	0.30	29.1	54.3	12.9
Pretreatment	P	0.95	0.21	26.6	66.6	6.9
no. 2	C	2.02	0.43	14.5	85.2	0.3
15 April 2014	N	2.17	0.91	11.9	87.6	0.4
Growing period	NP	2.46	0.45	4.1	95.6	0.3
Posttreatment	P	1.66	0.58	14.2	85.7	0.1
no. 3	C	1.08	0.27	43.0	55.1	1.9
7 May 2014	N	1.29	0.58	28.3	70.7	1.0
Dry period	NP	0.84	0.21	27.2	71.8	1.0
	P	1.37	0.57	39.5	58.5	2.0
no. 4	C	0.44	0.10	66.7	33.3	0.0
27 May 2014	N	0.48	0.28	36.4	63.6	0.0
Dry period	NP	0.53	0.26	40.6	59.4	0.0
	P	0.71	0.31	56.1	43.9	0.0

Perez-Priego et al 2015 (BG)

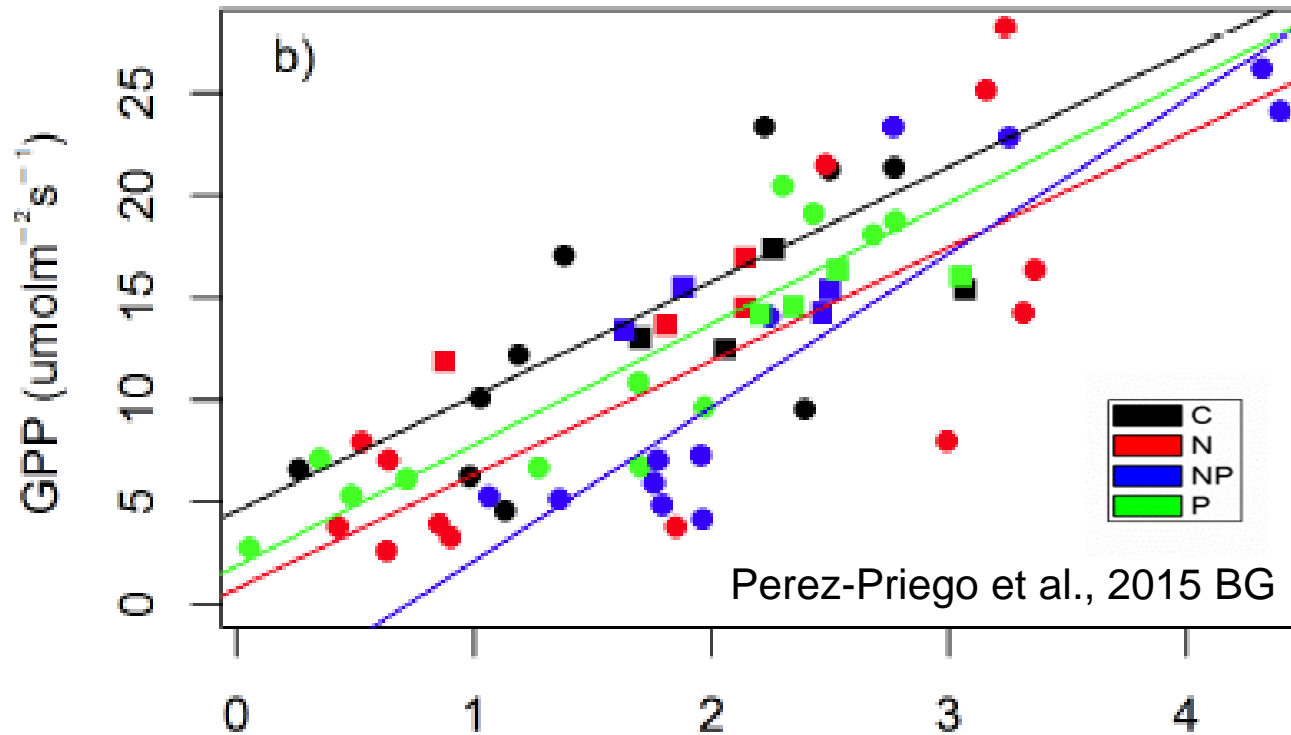
**LIDFa, LIDFb** according to variation of plant forms % (Asner 1998, RSE):

Grass: erectophile  
Legumes: planophile  
Forbs: spherical



Craine et al 2001 (OIKOS)

# Response of Photosynthesis

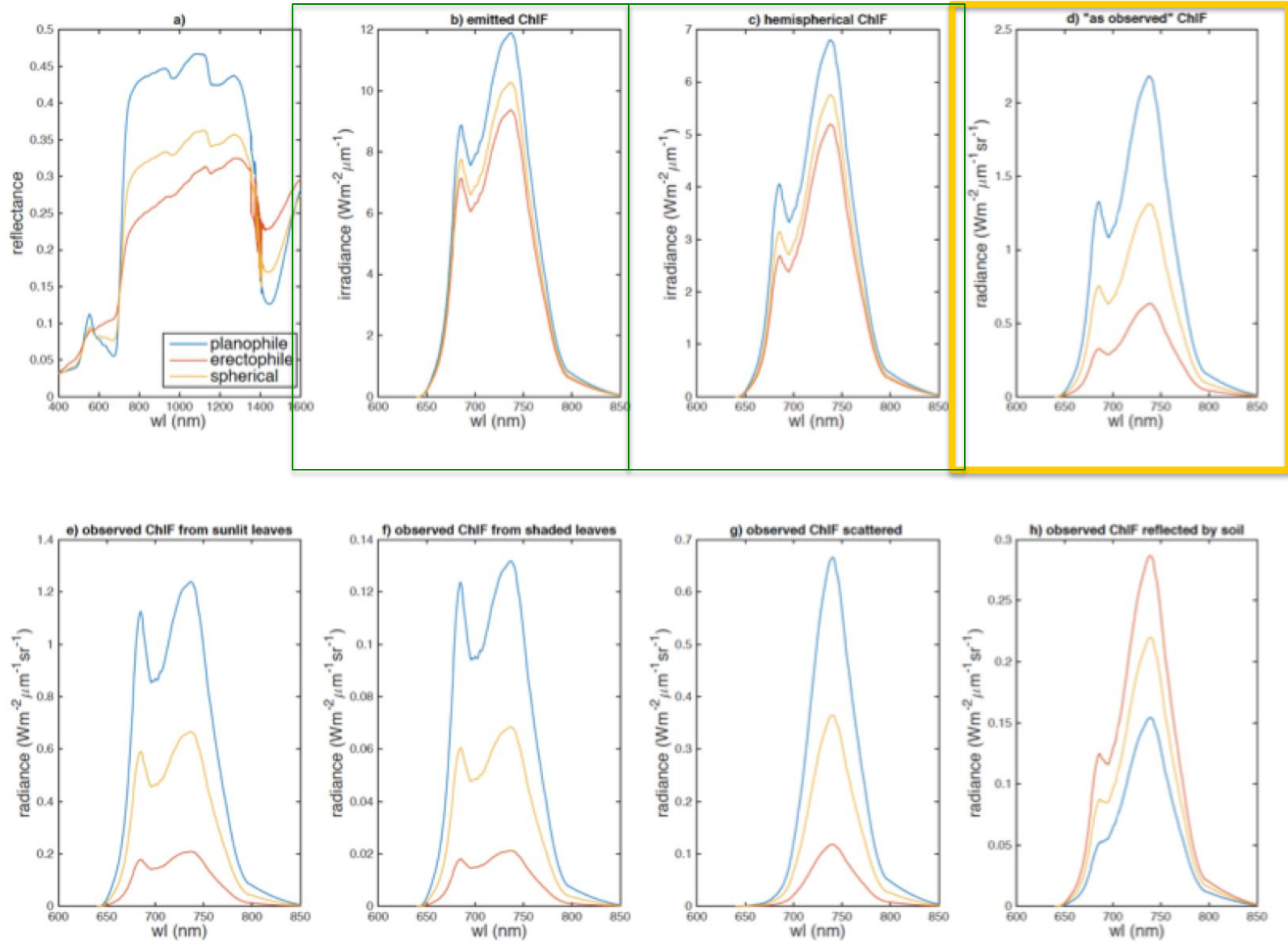


$$GPP \approx F760 \cdot \frac{LUE_p}{f_{esc} \cdot LUE_f}$$

Structure?

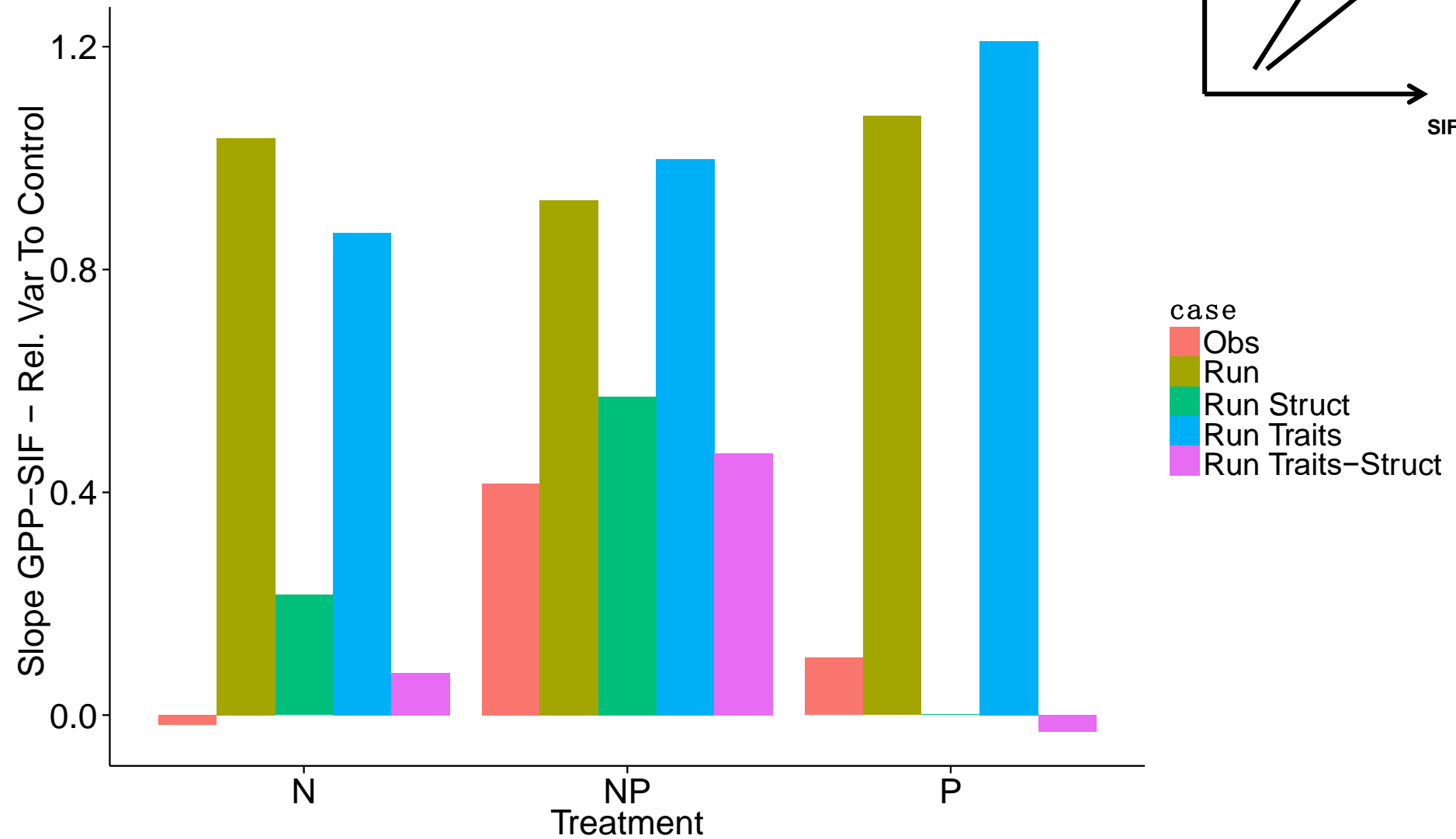
Functional traits?

# Response of Photosynthesis





# Response of Photosynthesis



- We presented 3-years round of EC data from a nutrient manipulation experiment
- Fertilization with N and NP **increased** the net C uptake, **GPP** and **Reco** at annual time scale
  - *Higher relative increase of **photosynthetic CO<sub>2</sub> uptake** compared to **ecosystem respiration***
  - *Ecosystem response dominated by the response in the grass*
- **Barely significant** increase of the **water use efficiency** at annual time scale BUT...
  - *Significant differences between treatments observed in specific periods (e.g. the **dry-down** and the **autumn season**);*
  - *NP treatment higher **iWUE** in autumn*

- Observed variability in  $F_{760}$  explained **primarily by change in canopy structure**
  - changes in biodiversity → plant forms abundance → LIDFa,b after fertilization
  - Secondarily by **functional traits** (N/P/LMA → Chl ab →  $V_{cmax}$ );
- Changes in canopy structure (leaf angle distribution) control the GPP- $F_{760}$  relationship;
- Implication for global/regional scale modelling: **structural variability** (biodiversity) and **functional traits** could be important confounding factors when modeling GPP assuming a linear relationship with Far red SIF at PFT level

# Collaborations and Institutes involved



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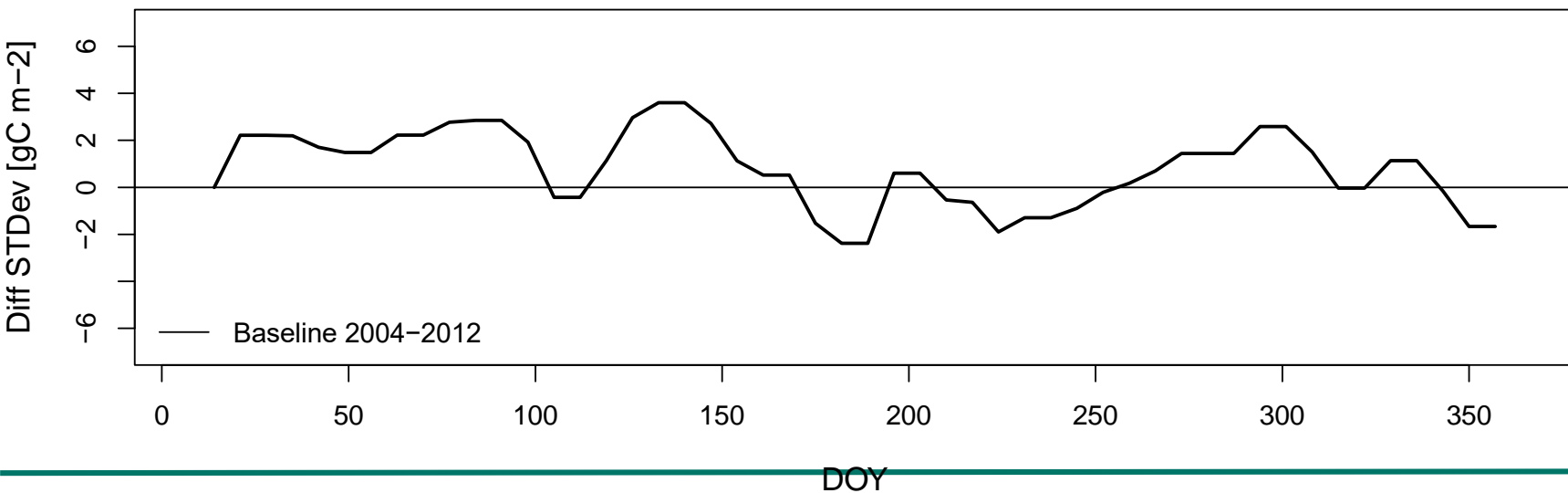
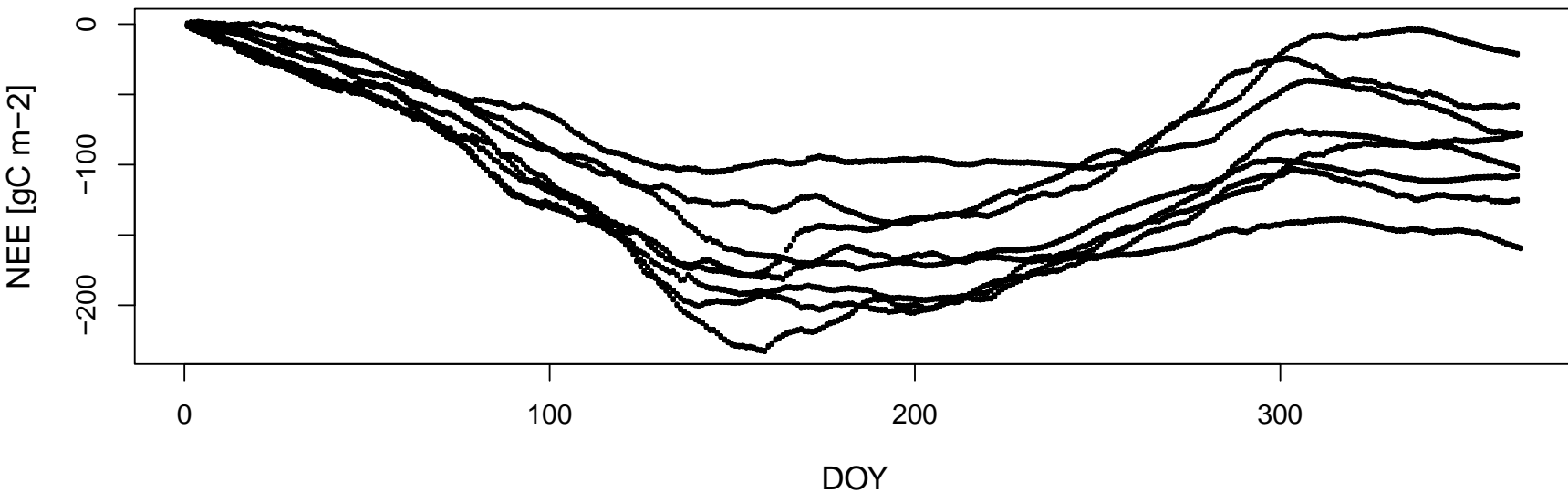


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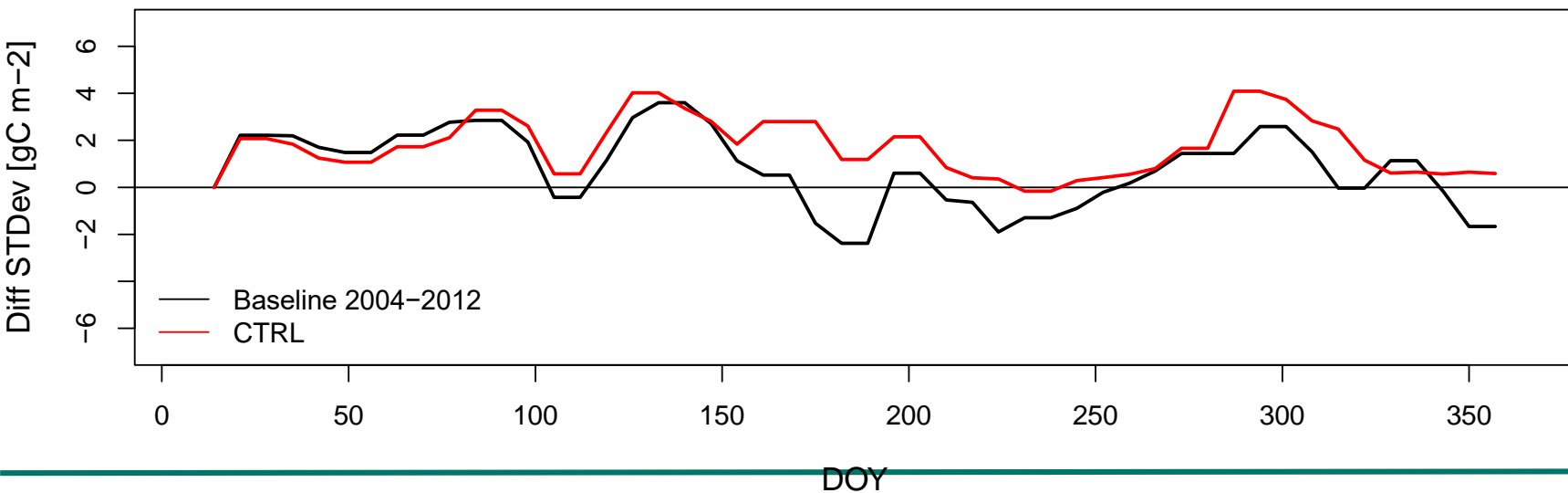
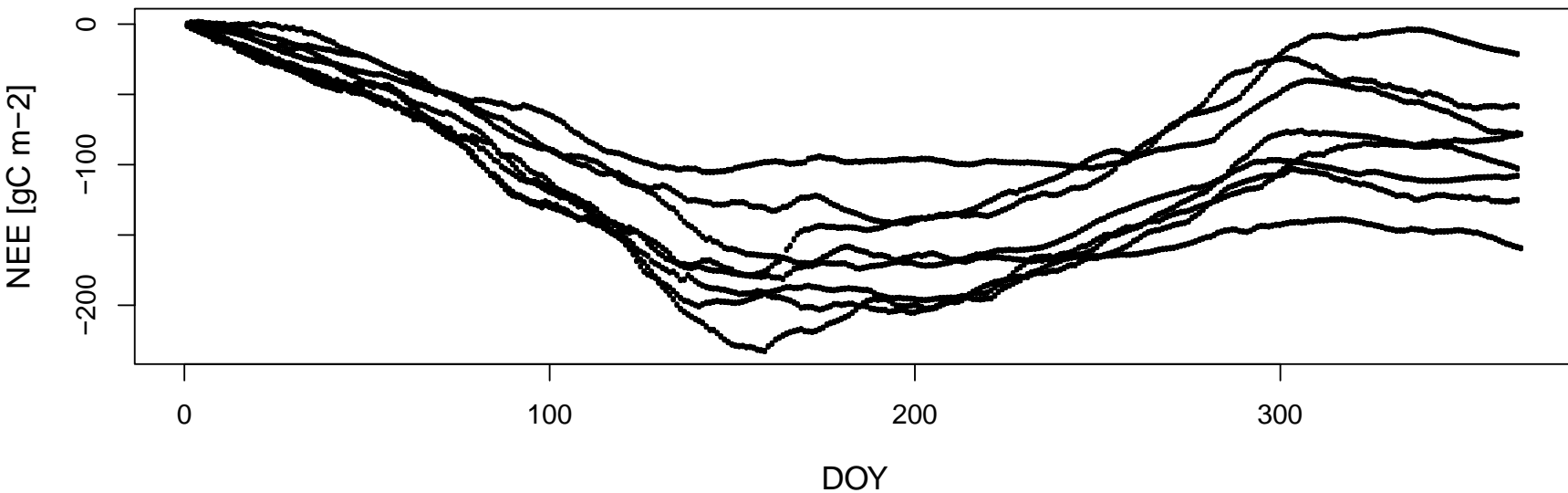




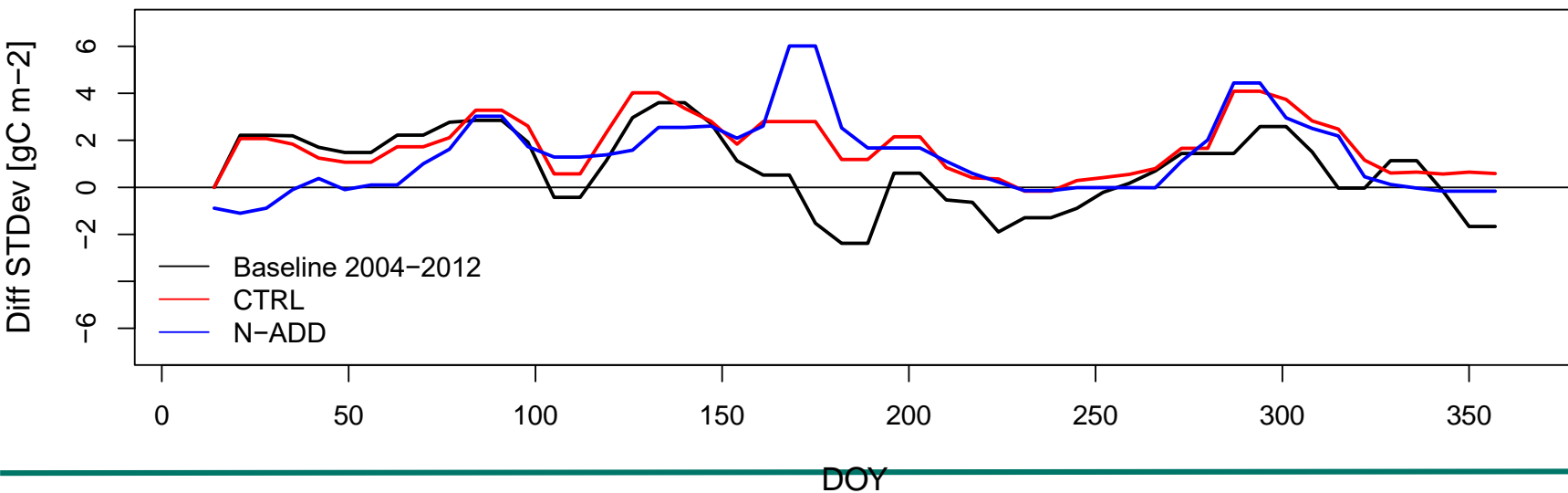
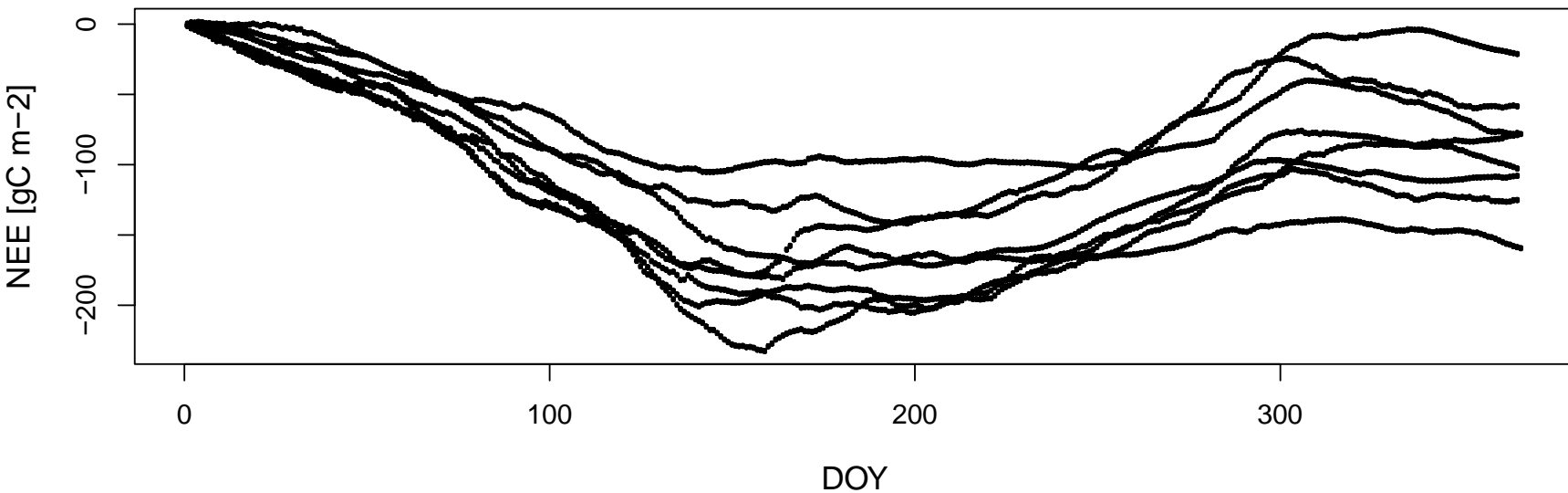
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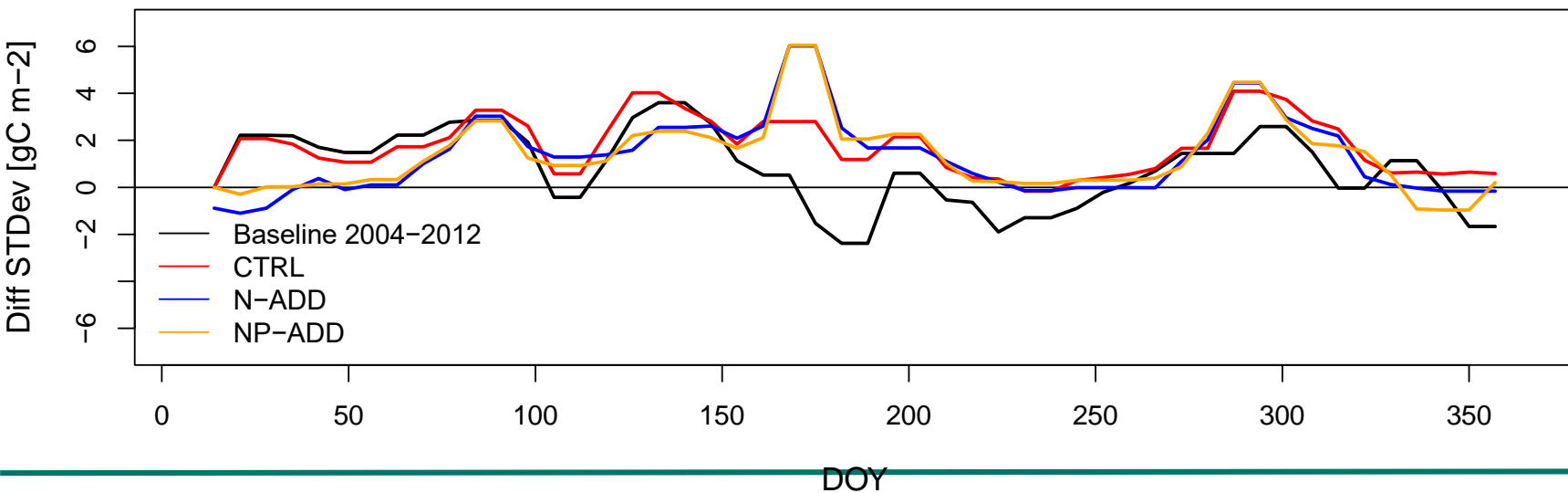
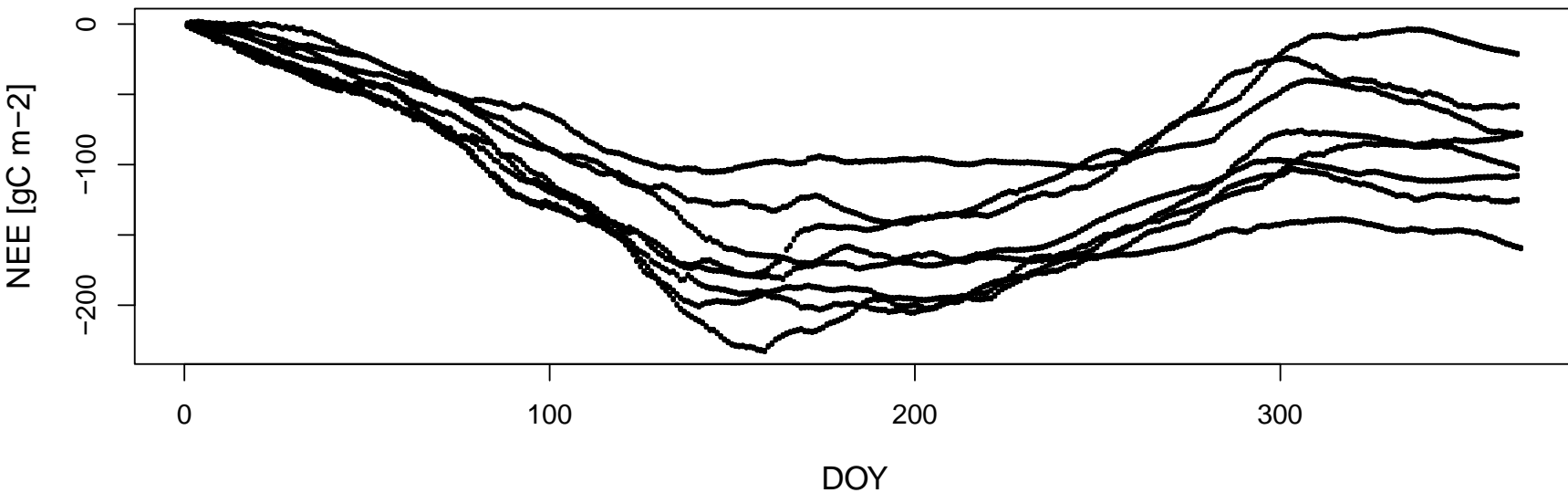
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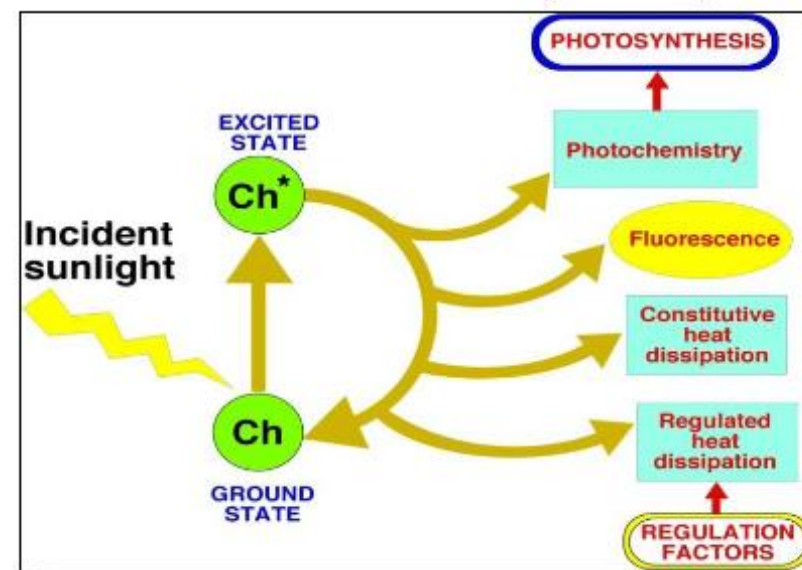
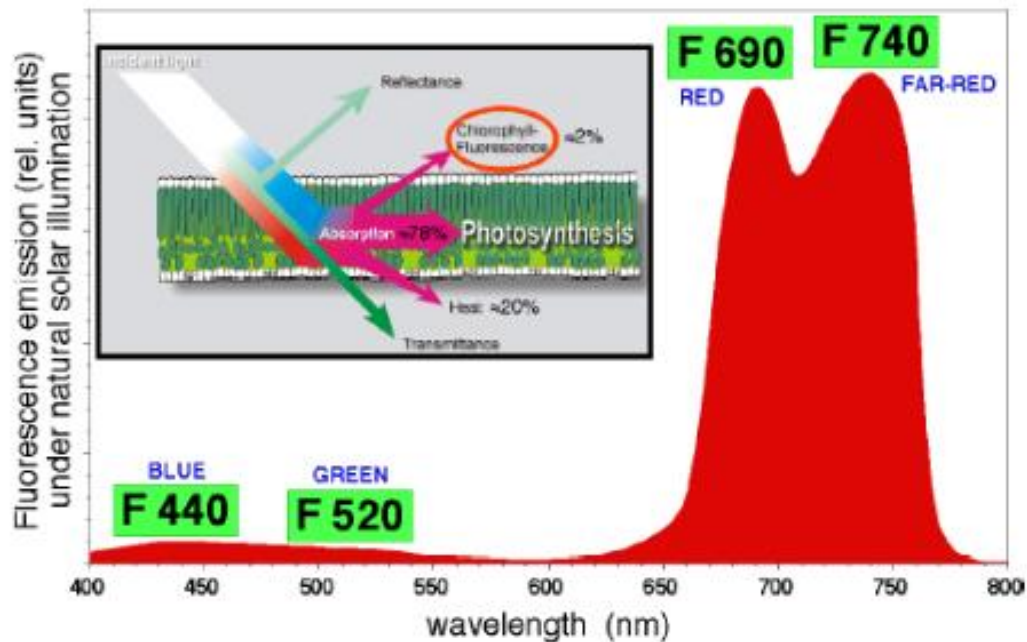




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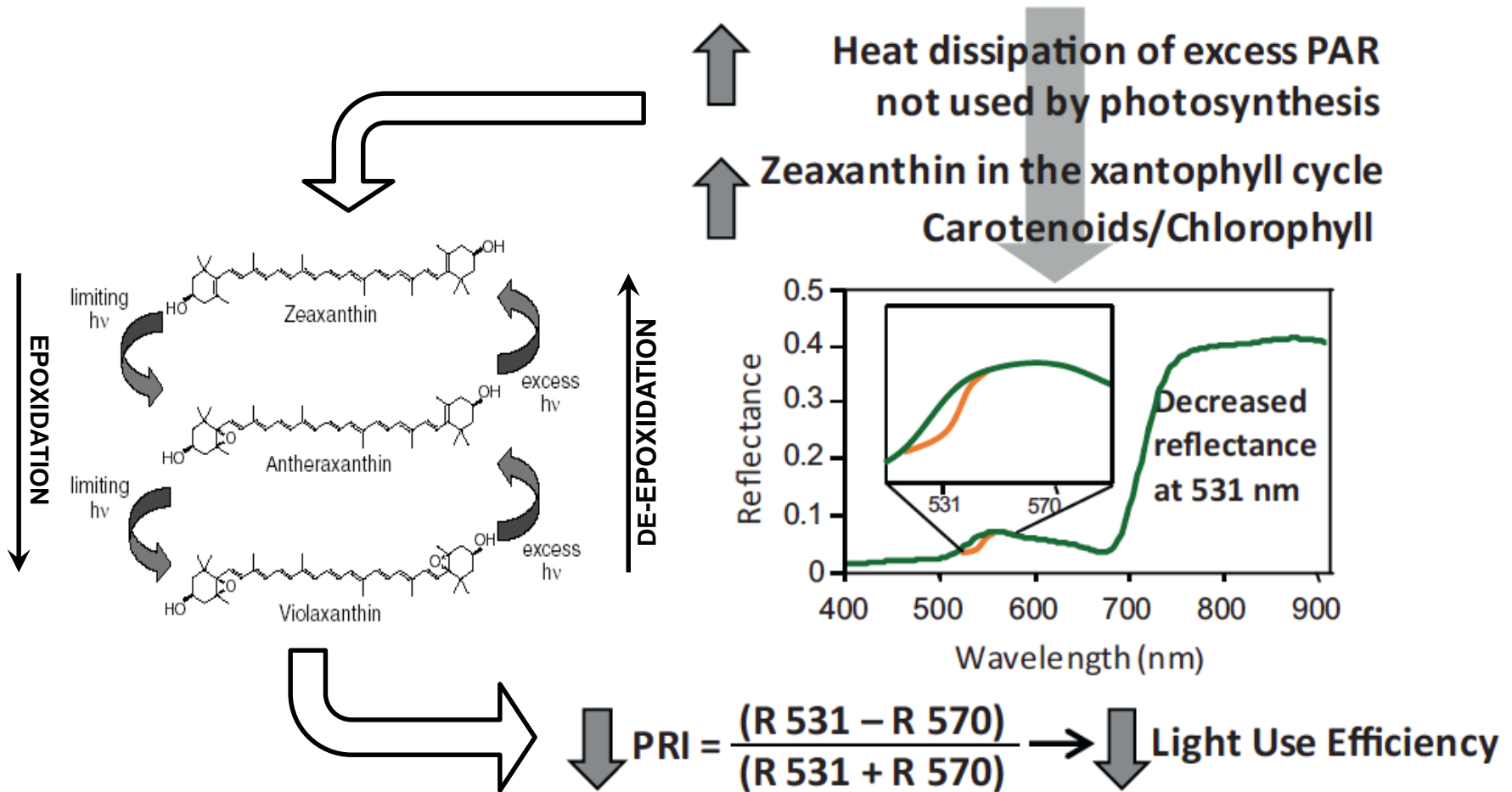
## Pathways of solar energy after absorption by leaf chlorophylls (FLUORESCENCE)

- Under natural solar illumination conditions leaf level **SIF** and photosynthesis are **positively correlated**;
- Fluorescence at 690 and 740 nm are related to activity of PSII and PSI, respectively. Typically we measure fluorescence at 760 nm (Porcar-Castell et al., 2014)

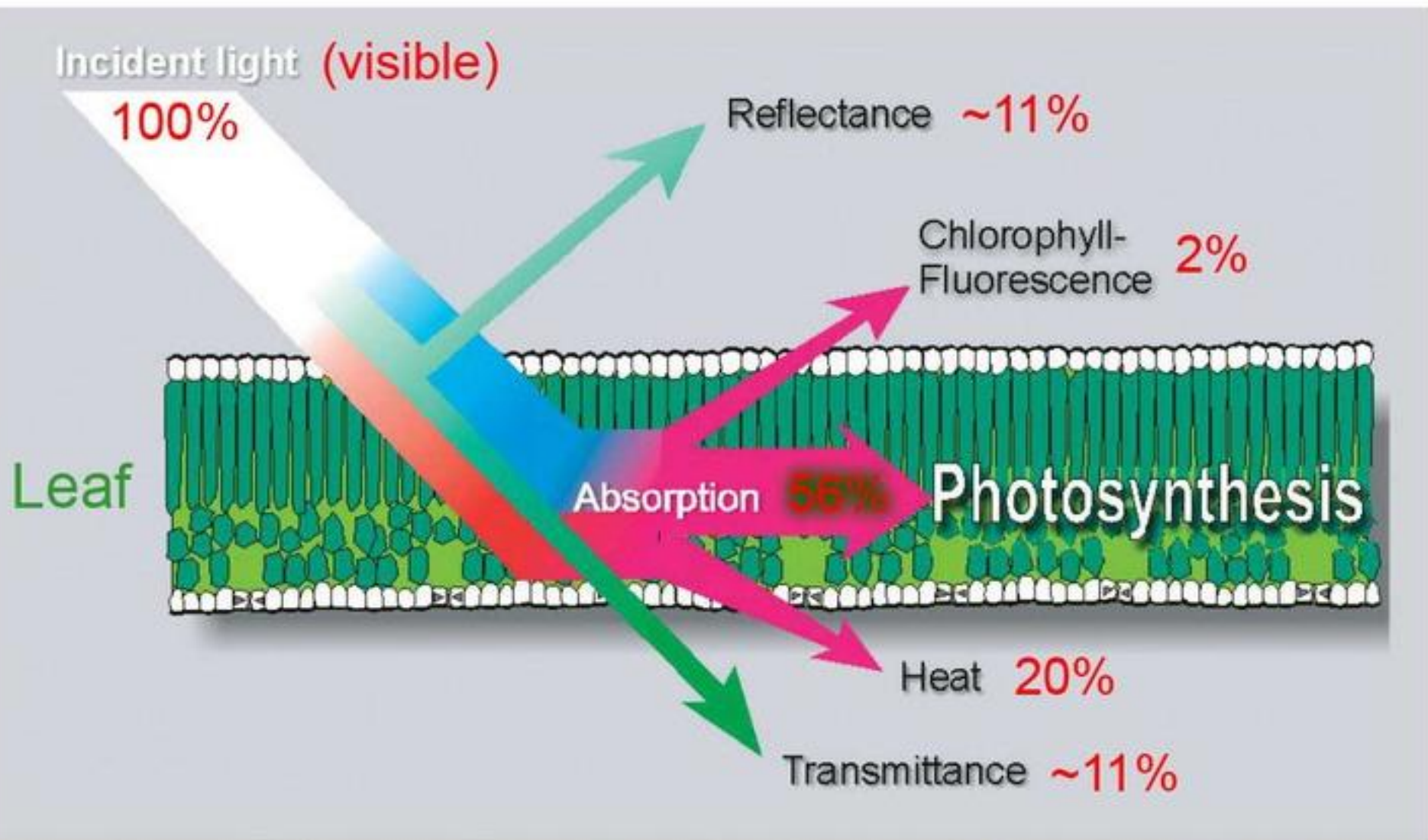


# Response of Photosynthesis

## Pathways of solar energy after absorption by leaf chlorophylls (HEAT DISSIPATION)



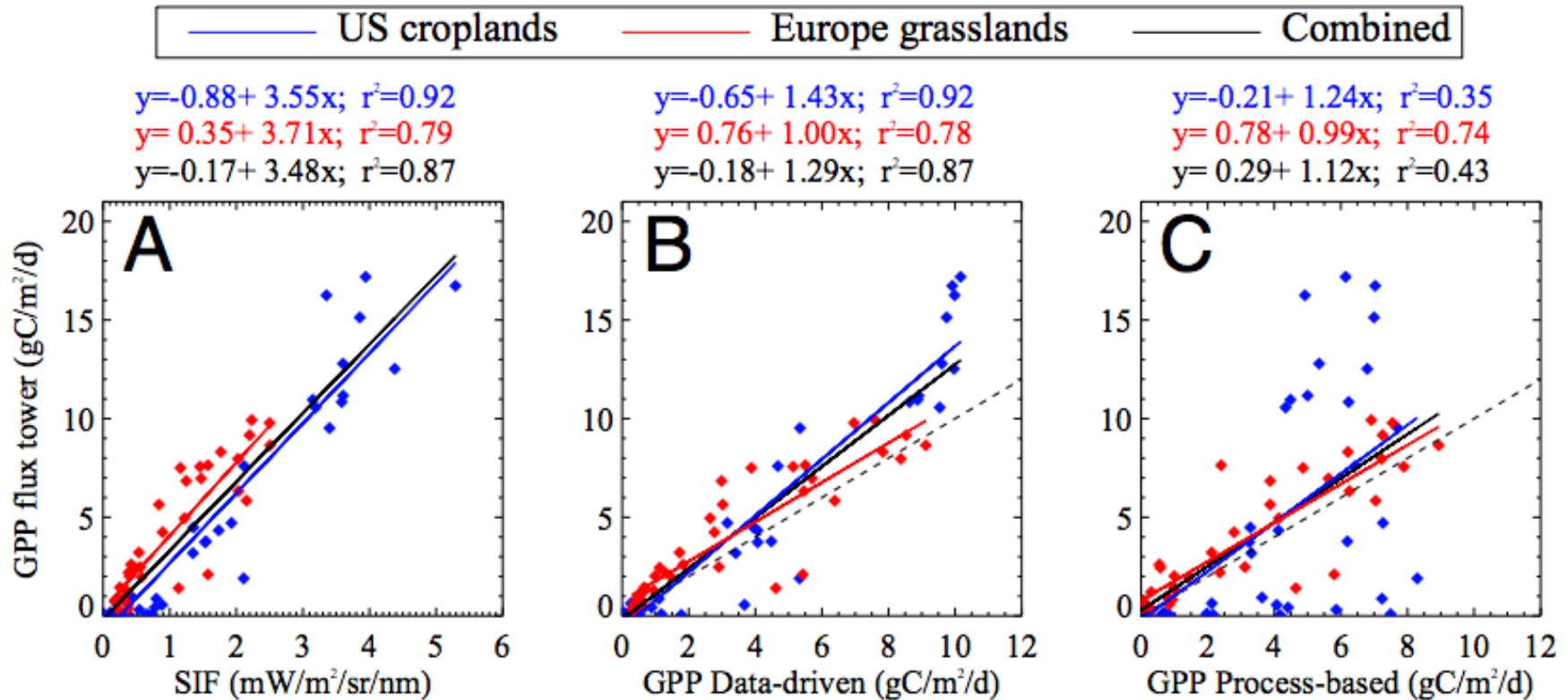
# Motivation



Mapping Photosynthesis from Space - a new vegetation-fluorescence technique  
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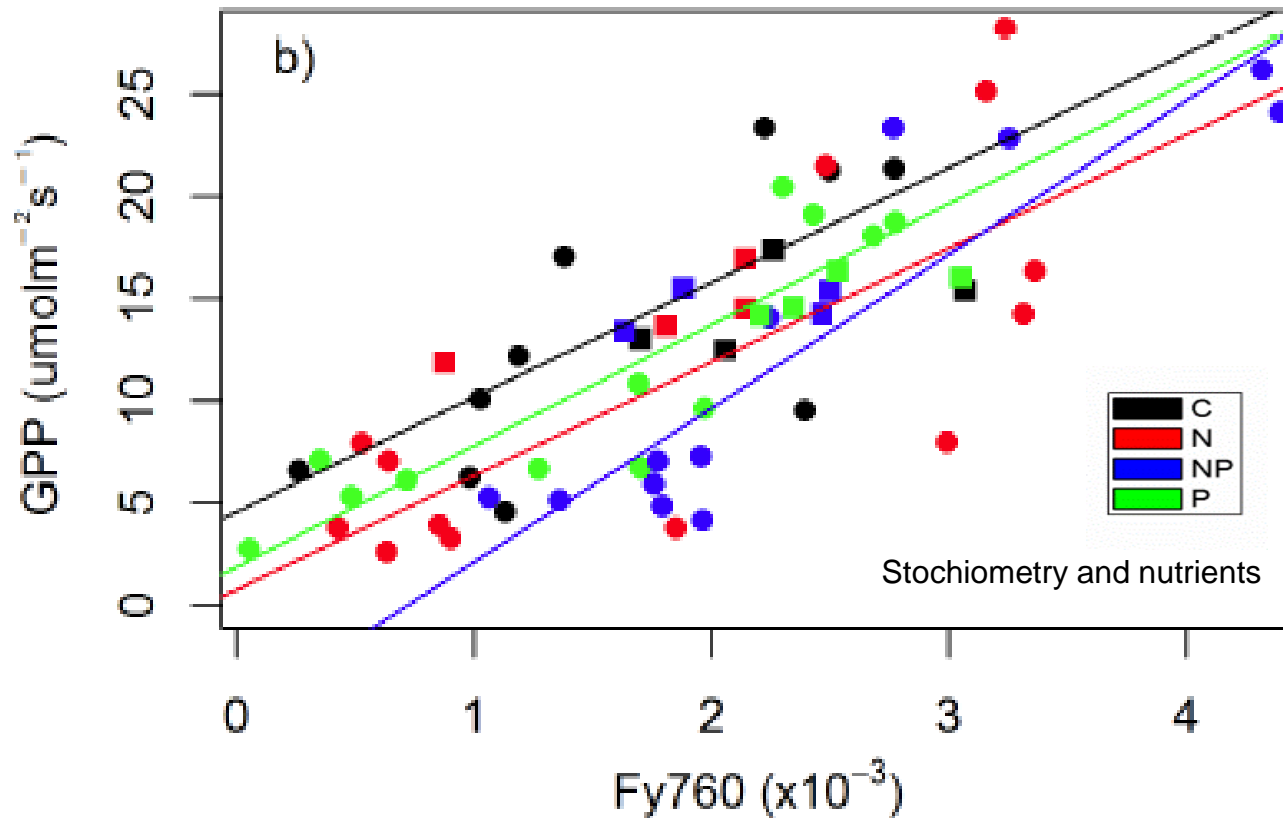


# Motivation



- **SIF** can be used to predict **GPP** (e.g. Guanter et al., 2014; Van der Tol et al., 2014);
- Current challenge is to understand the mechanisms controlling the **relationship** between **photosynthetic CO<sub>2</sub> uptake (e.g. GPP) and SIF** (Guanter et al., 2014; Damn et al., 2015; Porcar-Castell et al., 2014);

# Motivation



Perez-Priego et al., 2015 BG

....but also Damn et al., 2015 RSE; Wieneke et al., 2017 RSE; Liu et al., 2017; Guanter et al., 2014; Van der Tol et al., 2014; Porcar-Castell et al., 2014 and others

## Many confounding factors

- **Competition between the three processes** and modulation of the ratio between NPQ and fluorescence
  - Down-regulation NPQ as consequence of **relieved N** and **water limitation** (*Cendrero-Mateo 2015; Perez-Priego et al., 2015*);
  - Light quality and history (shade/sunlit) that affect the pool of carotenoids (*Niimenets et al., 2003*);
- Multiple scattering and probability of re-absorption of emitted SIF depends on **canopy structure and Leaf Angle Distribution (LIDFa, b)** (e.g. *Van Wittenberghe et al., 2015; Verrelst et al., 2016*);
- Directional, atmospheric or instrumental effects (e.g. *Damm et al., 2015*)

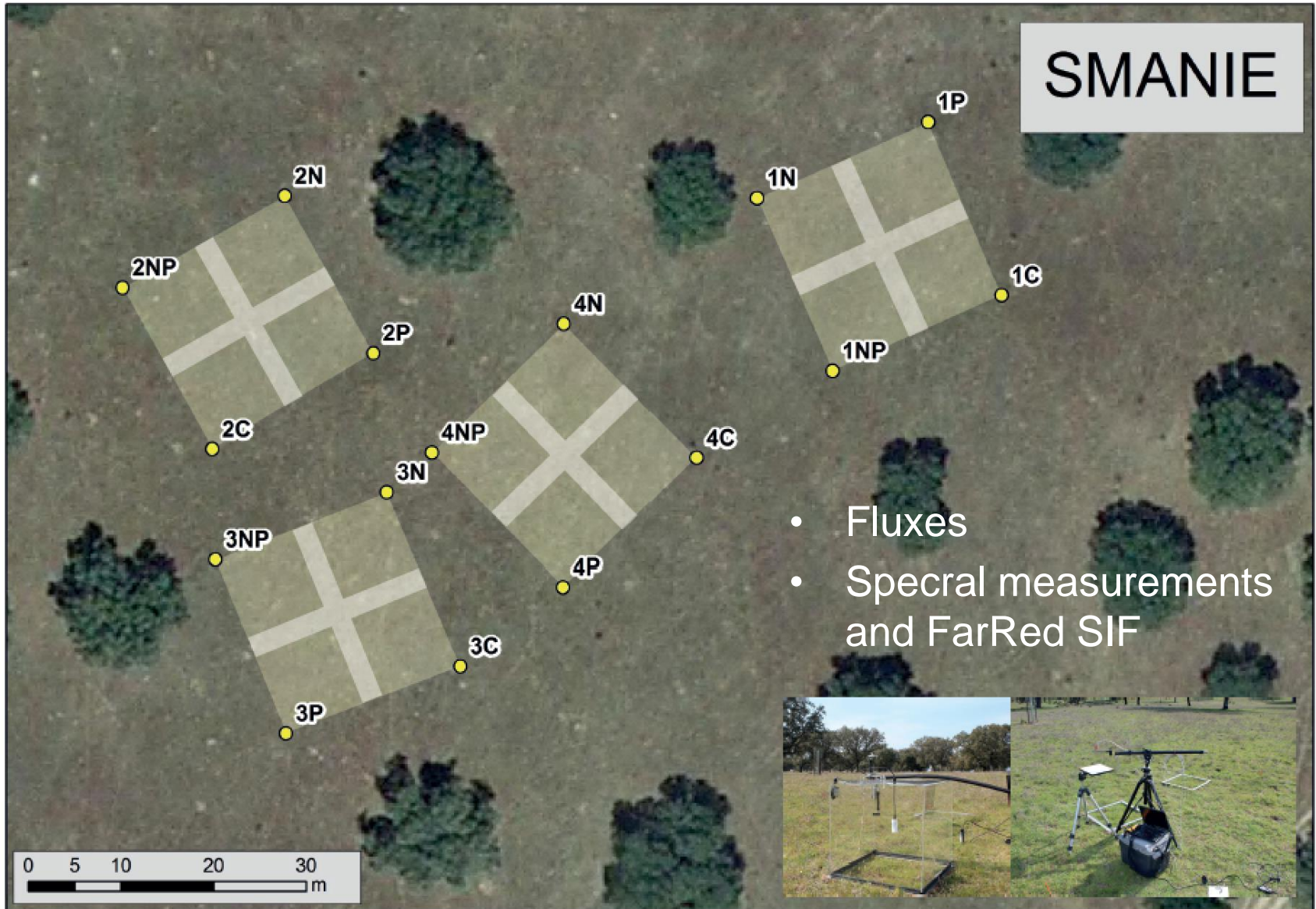
- How do changes in **canopy structure** (i.e. fertilization-induced changes in biodiversity) and **functional traits** affect  $F_{760}$  signal?
- Why does the relationship between **GPP- $F_{760}$**  change across treatments?

## Hypotheses

- **Biochemistry** – Nutrient mediated changes in foliar biochemistry (changes in  $V_{cmax}$ , Chl *ab*)
- **Canopy Structure induced by changes in Biodiversity** – Nutrient mediated changes in canopy structure (Fertilization changes the compositions of the plant forms, leaf angles and canopy height)

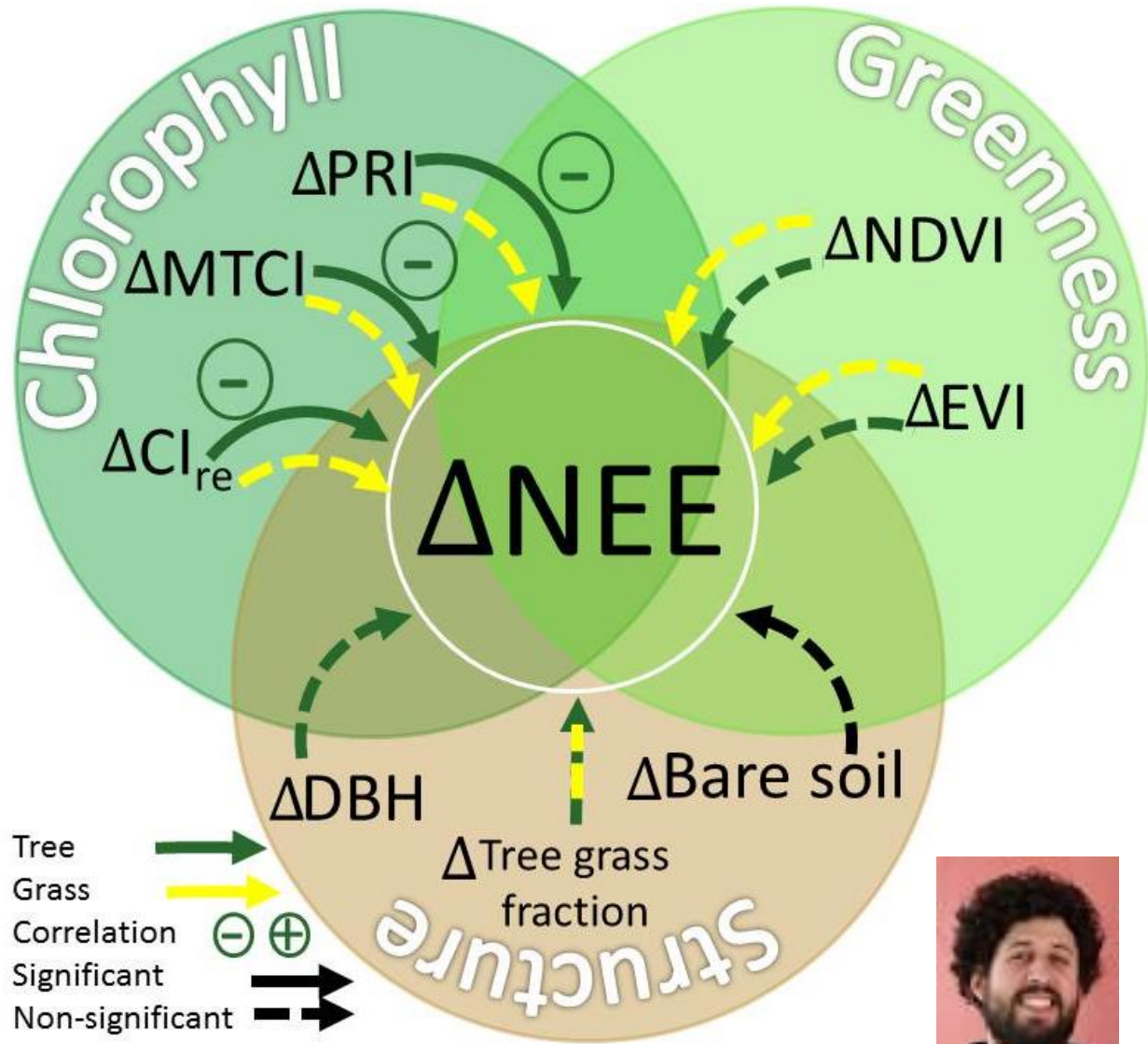
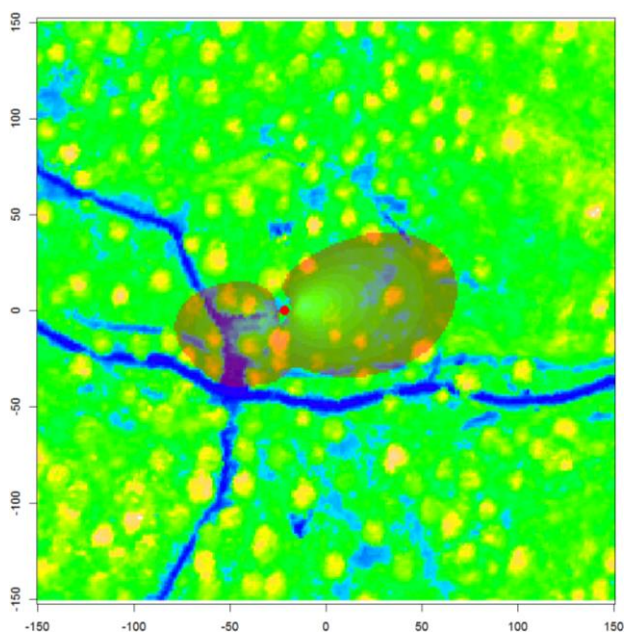


# MANIP – Small Scale Manipulation



# MANIP – Linking RS data and fluxes

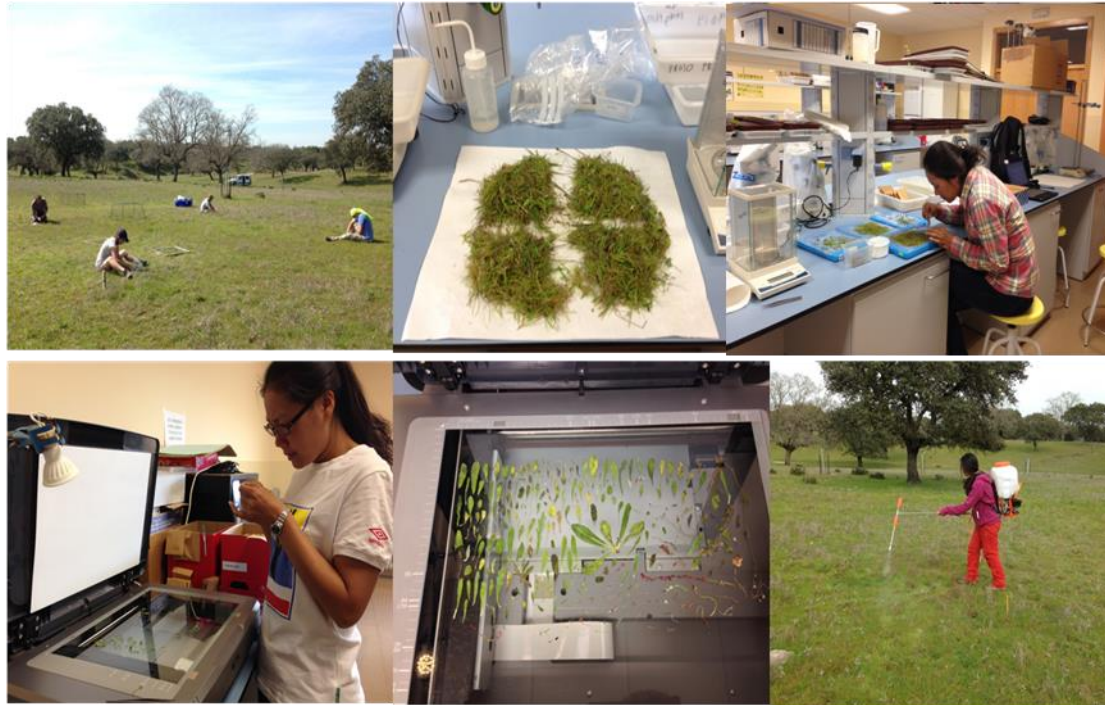
Clre: Red Edge Chlorophyll Index





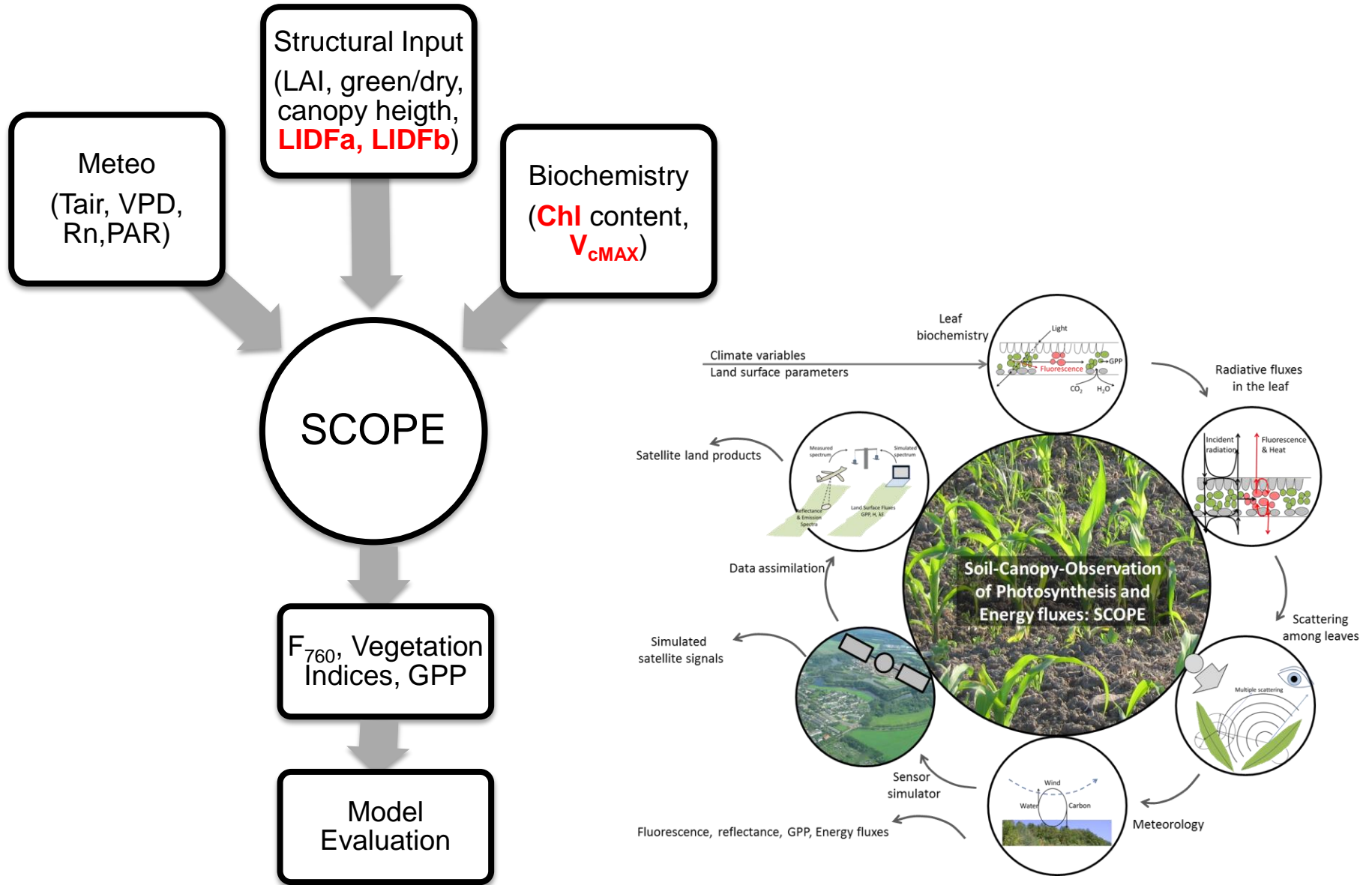
PLOT	Fertilizer	N, kg/ha	P, kg/ha	K, kg/ha
N	Potassium Nitrate ( $\text{KNO}_3$ ) Ammonium Nitrate ( $\text{NH}_4\text{NO}_3$ )	44 156		123
P	Monopotassium Phosphate ( $\text{KH}_2\text{PO}_4$ )		100	123
N+P	Ammonium Nitrate ( $\text{NH}_4\text{NO}_3$ ) Monopotassium Phosphate ( $\text{KH}_2\text{PO}_4$ )	200	100	123

## Fertilization conducted in March 2014 and 2015



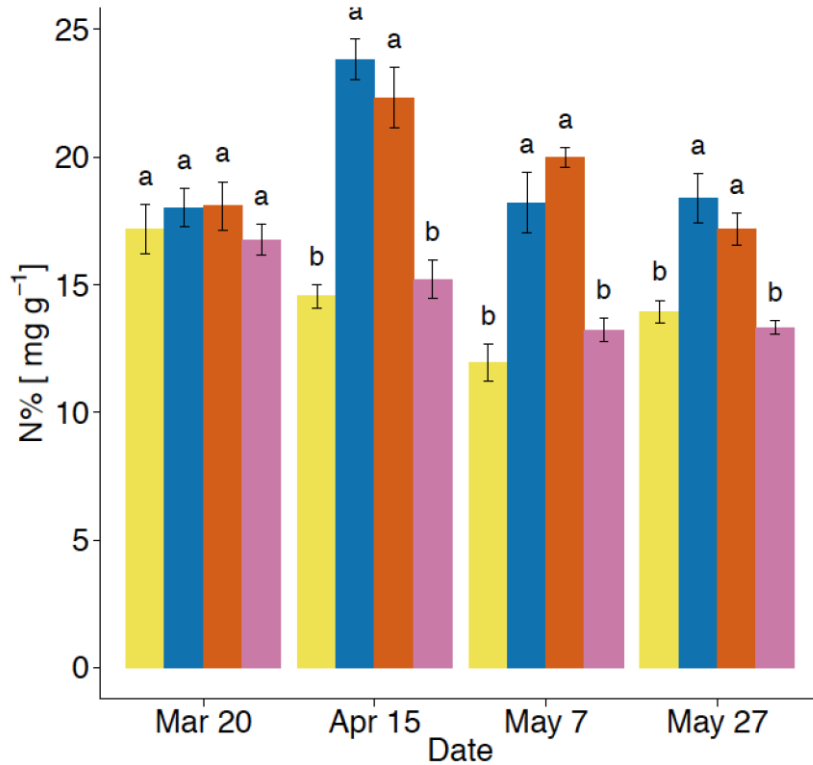
- Green/Dry biomass
- Direct LAI
- Canopy height
- Plant forms abundance
- Nutrient analysis in the main plant forms
- Soil C, N, and P content
- Top of the canopy images

# Modeling – Factorial runs with SCOPE

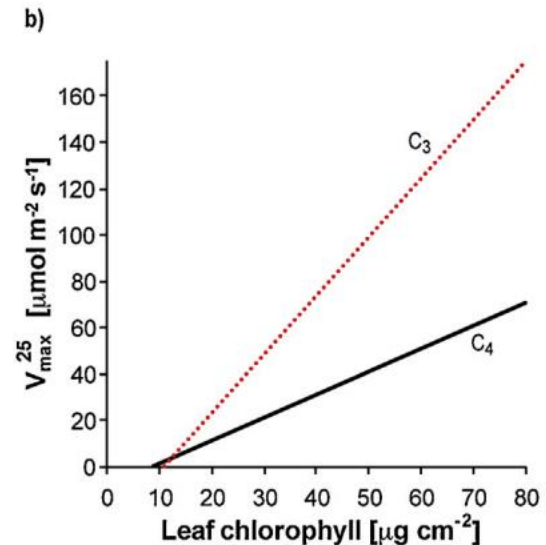
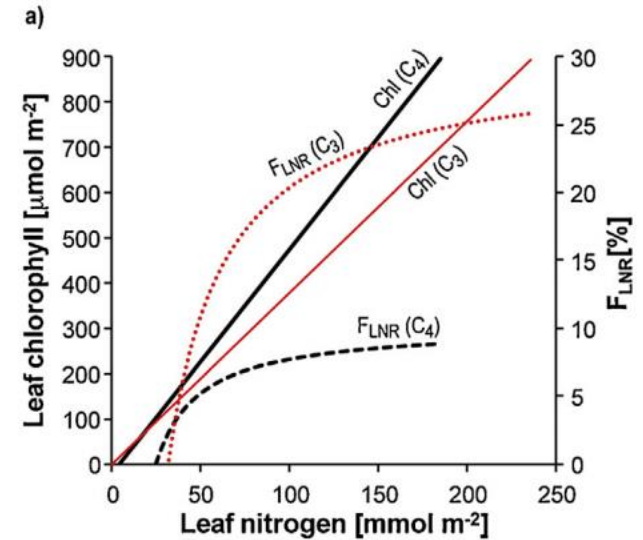


## Effects of fertilization on functional traits

- changes in foliar N,P content and LMA  
→ changes in Chl ab and Vcmax
- Walker et al., 2014; Houbourg et al., 2013;  
Feng and Dietze et al., 2013



Modified from Perez-Priego et al 2015 (BG)



Houbourg et al 2013 (AFM)



## Effects of fertilization on biodiversity and canopy structure

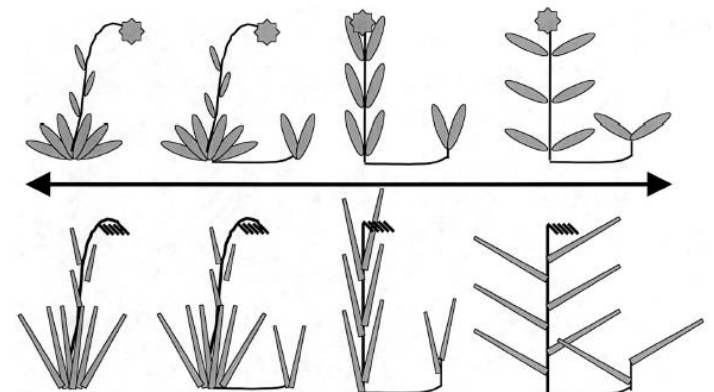
- Changes in the fraction of plant forms (%) lead to changes in leaf angle distribution
- Parameters recomputed accounting for a typical Leaf Angle Distribution the 3 main plant forms

Campaign	Treatment	Total PAI <sub>g</sub> (m <sup>2</sup> m <sup>-2</sup> )	Total PAI <sub>g</sub> (m <sup>2</sup> m <sup>-2</sup> )	Forbs f <sub>PAI</sub>	Grass f <sub>PAI</sub>	Legumes f <sub>PAI</sub>
Date	–	mean	SD	%	%	%
no. 1	C	0.85	0.18	35.5	56.8	7.7
20 March 2014	N	0.76	0.21	39.2	45.1	15.0
Growing period	NP	1.03	0.30	29.1	54.3	12.9
Pretreatment	P	0.95	0.21	26.6	66.6	6.9
no. 2	C	2.02	0.43	14.5	85.2	0.3
15 April 2014	N	2.17	0.91	11.9	87.6	0.4
Growing period	NP	2.46	0.45	4.1	95.6	0.3
Posttreatment	P	1.66	0.58	14.2	85.7	0.1
no. 3	C	1.08	0.27	43.0	55.1	1.9
7 May 2014	N	1.29	0.58	28.3	70.7	1.0
Dry period	NP	0.84	0.21	27.2	71.8	1.0
	P	1.37	0.57	39.5	58.5	2.0
no. 4	C	0.44	0.10	66.7	33.3	0.0
27 May 2014	N	0.48	0.28	36.4	63.6	0.0
Dry period	NP	0.53	0.26	40.6	59.4	0.0
	P	0.71	0.31	56.1	43.9	0.0

Perez-Priego et al 2015 (BG)

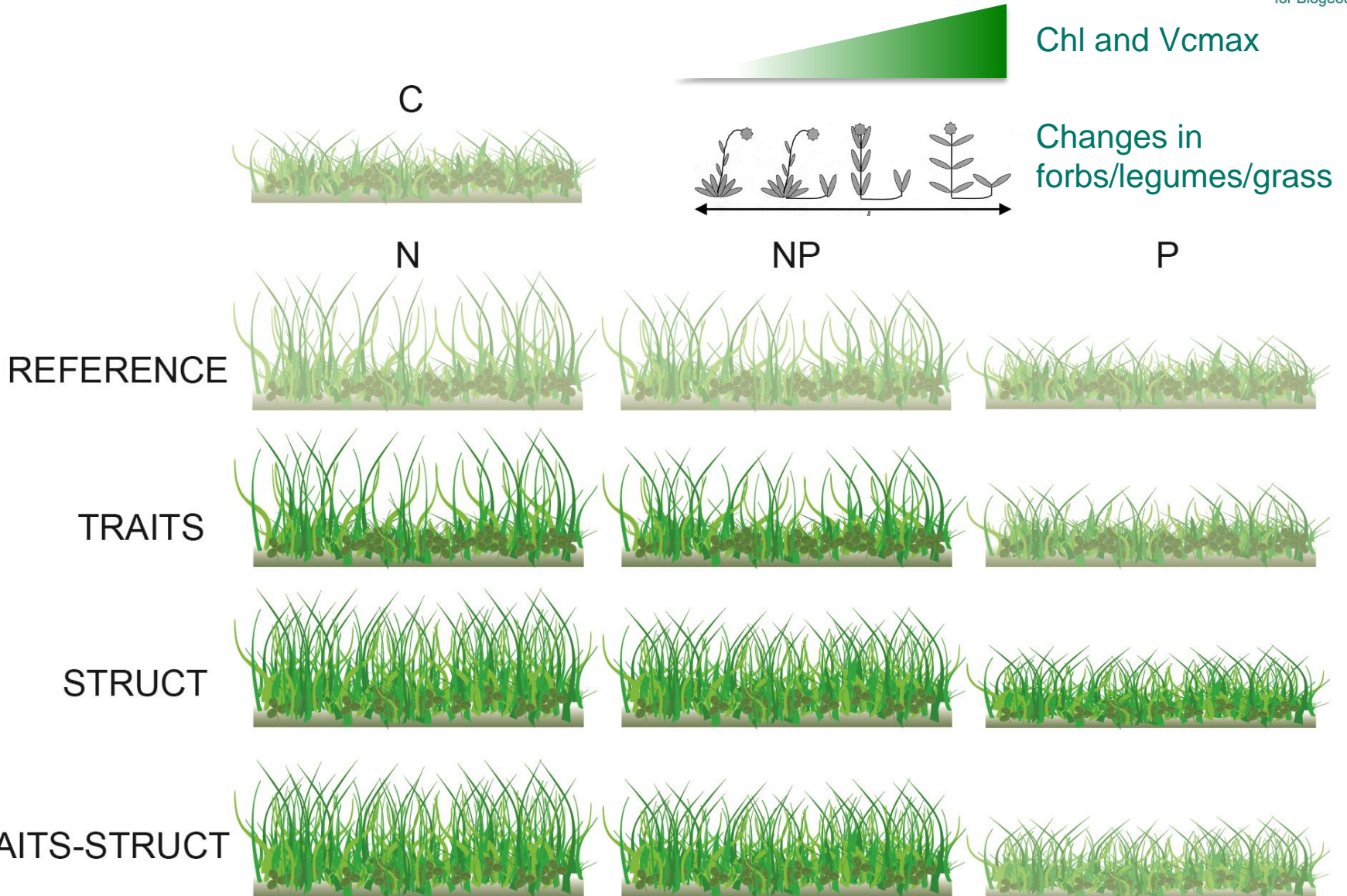
**LIDFa, LIDFb** according to variation of plant forms % (Asner 1998, RSE):

Grass: erectophile  
Legumes: planophile  
Forbs: spherical

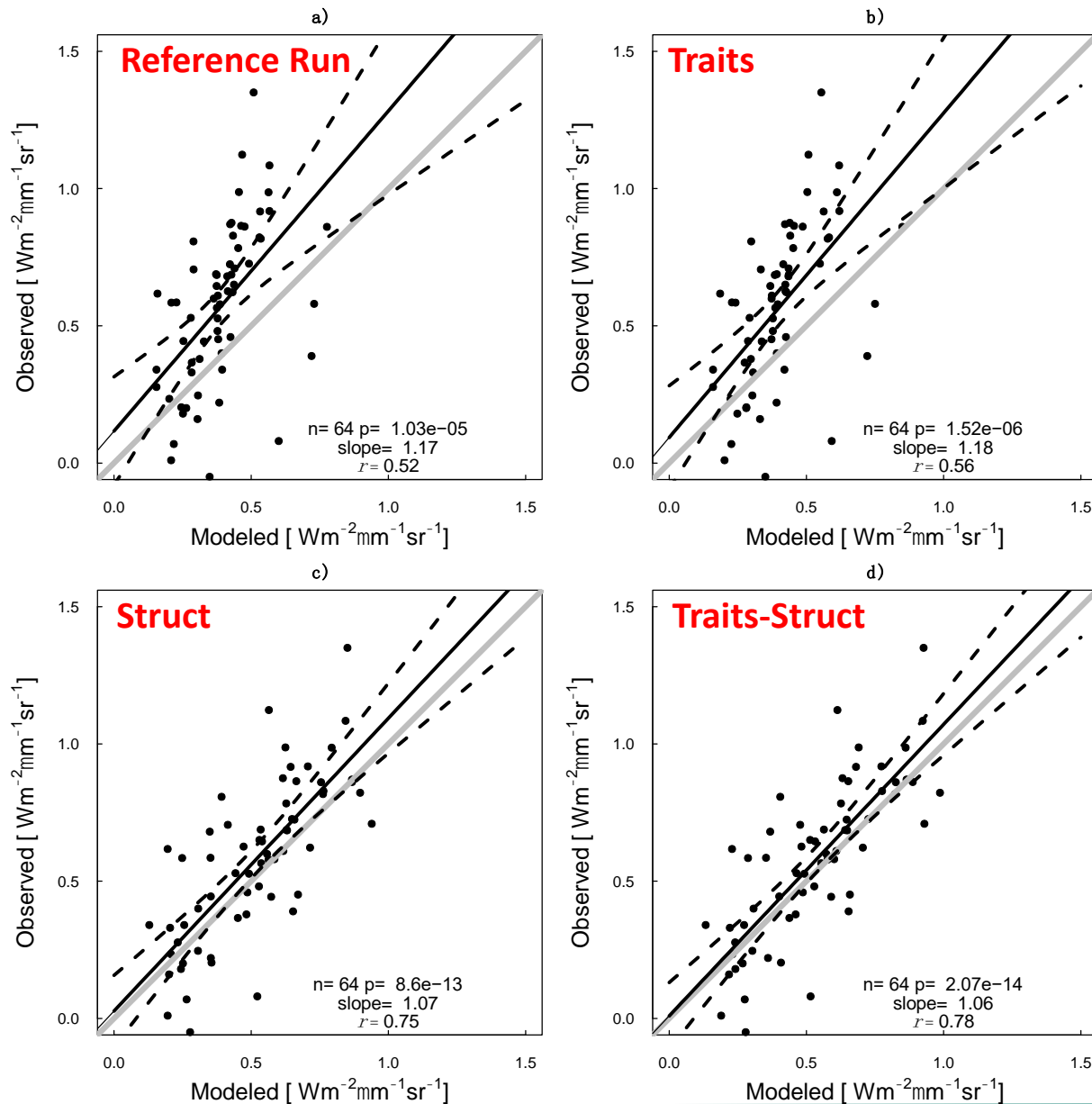


Craine et al 2001 (OIKOS)

# Modeling – Factorial runs

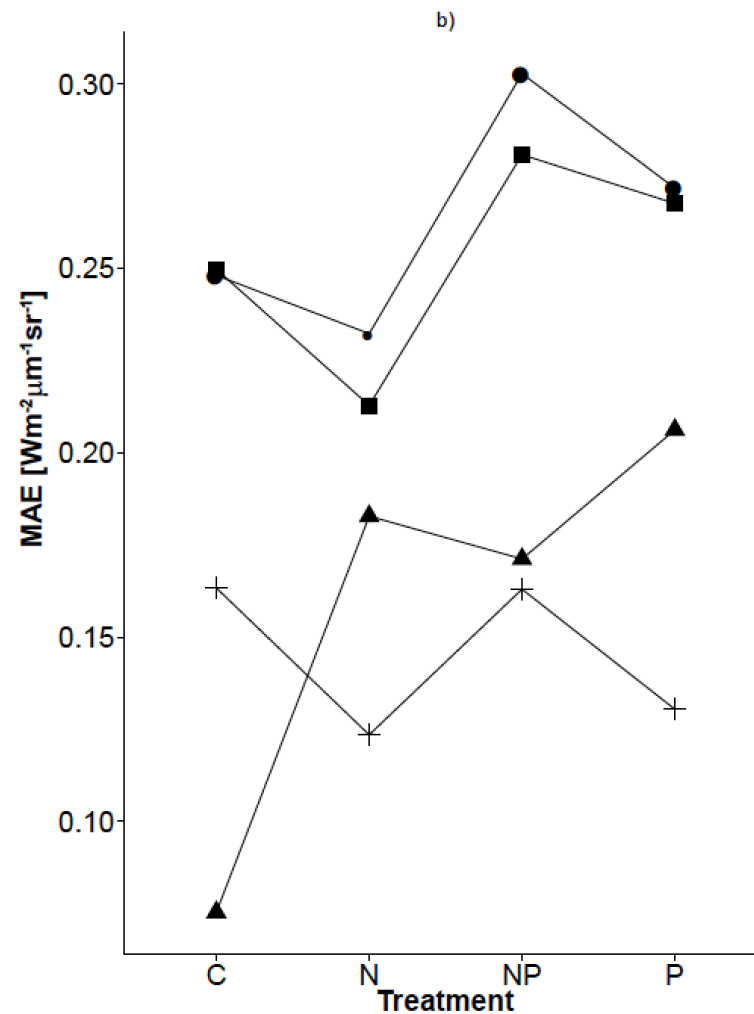
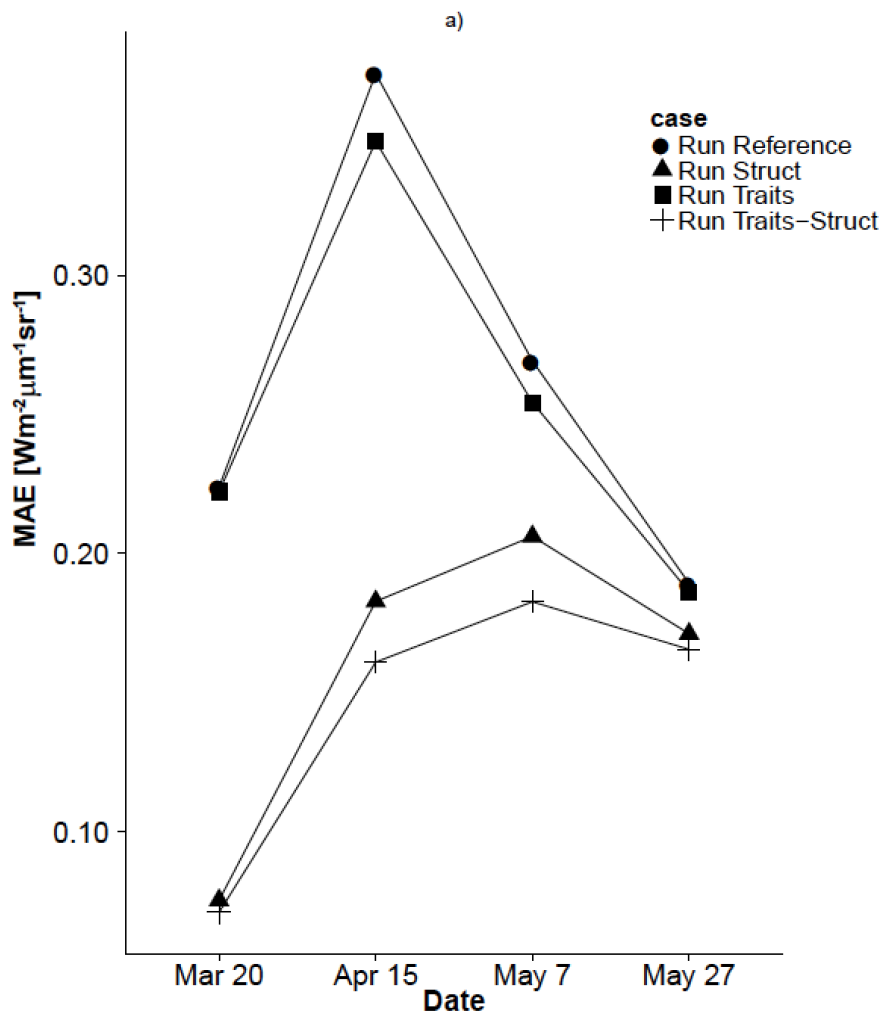


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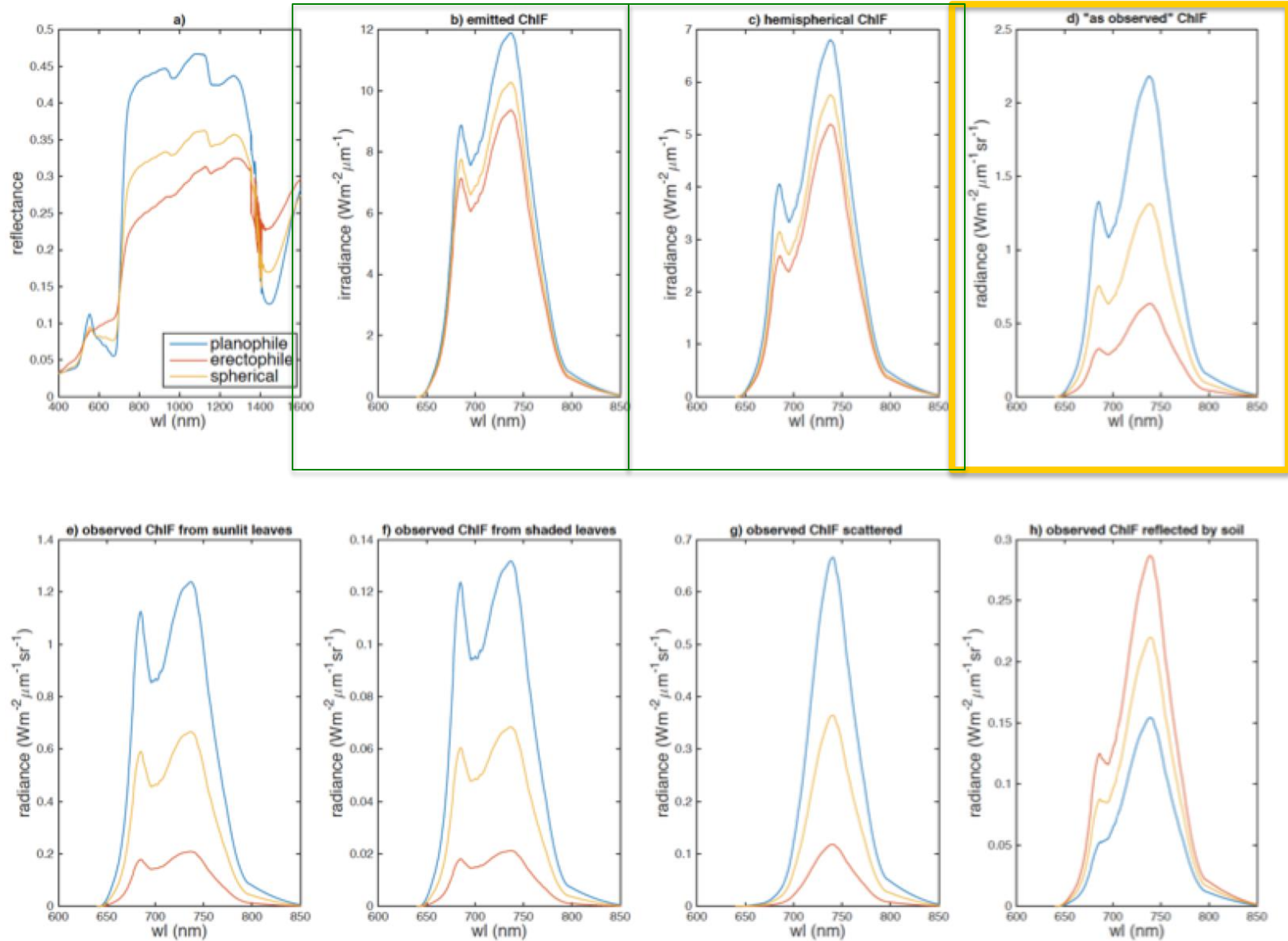


# Results – Model evaluation

## Model Evaluation for each field campaign and treatment

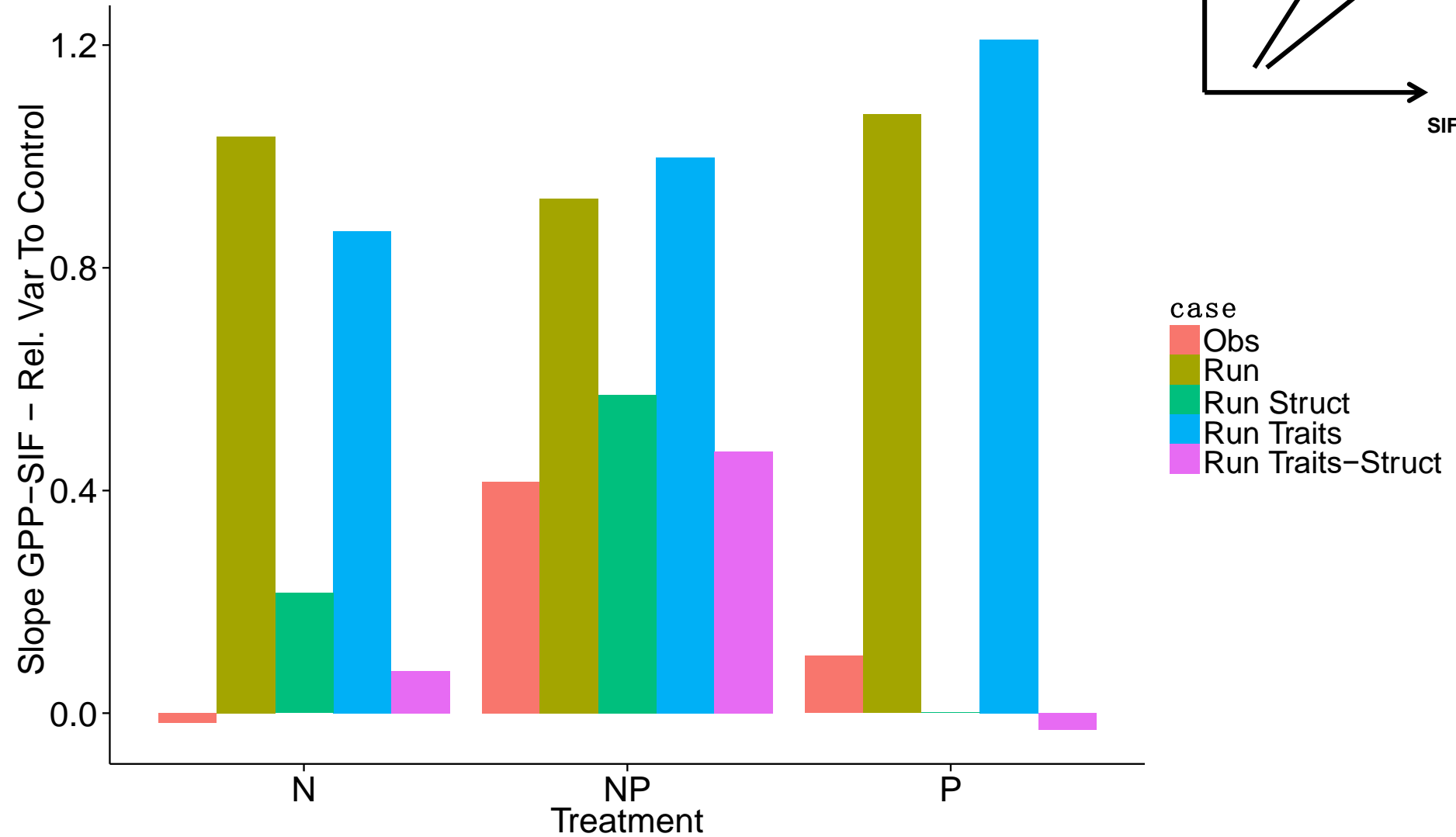


# Results – $F_{760}$ and canopy structure





# Results – $F_{760}$ and GPP



- Observed variability in  $F_{760}$  explained **primarily by change in canopy structure**
  - changes in biodiversity  $\rightarrow$  plant forms abundance  $\rightarrow$  LIDFa,b after fertilization
  - Secondarily by **functional traits** (N/P/LMA  $\rightarrow$  Chl ab  $\rightarrow$  Vcmax);
- Changes in canopy structure (leaf angle distribution) control the GPP- $F_{760}$  relationship;
- Implication for global/regional scale modelling: **structural variability** (biodiversity) and **functional traits** could be important confounding factors when modeling GPP assuming a linear relationship with Far red SIF at PFT level



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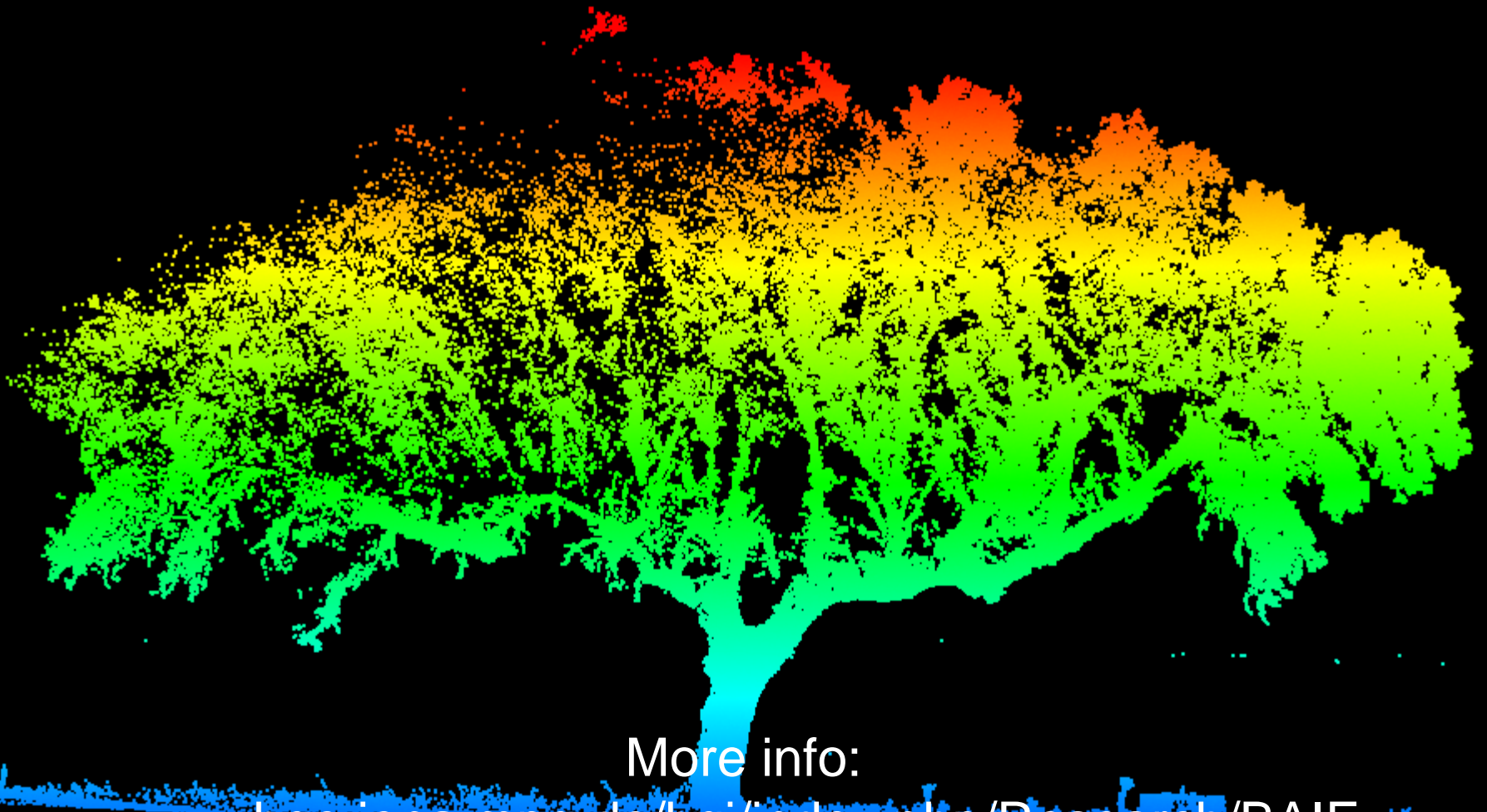


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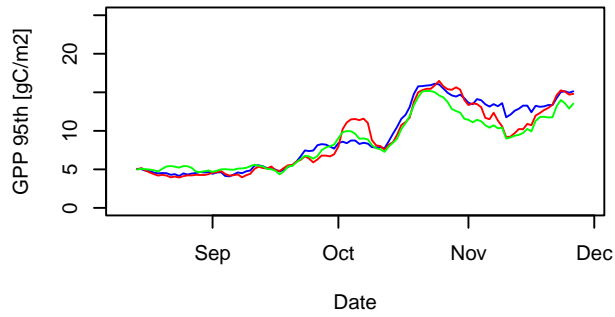
## Replicates?

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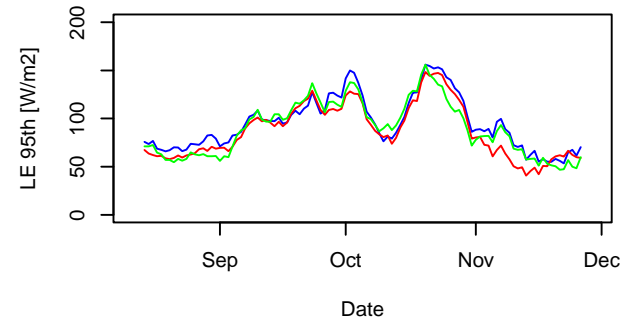
**-Footprint analysis as surrogate**

# Results – Impact on Autumn phenology

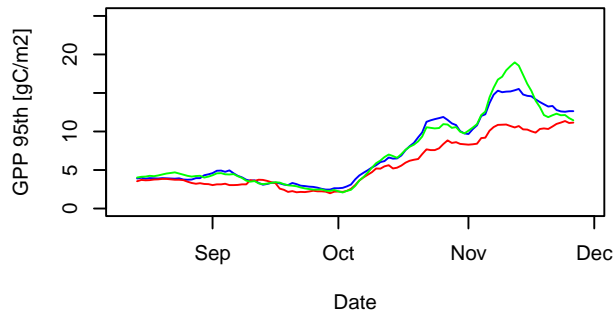
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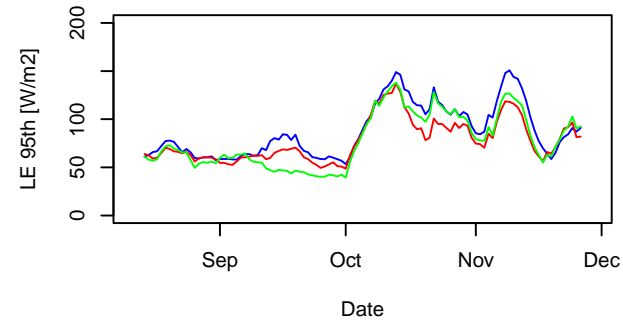
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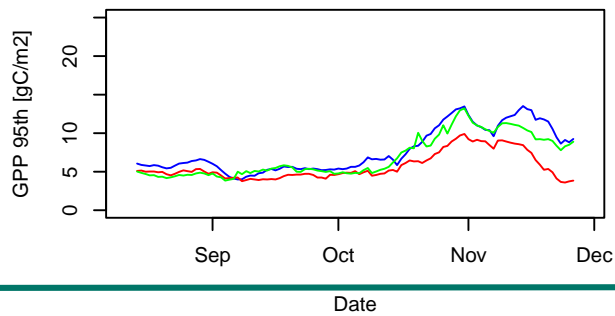
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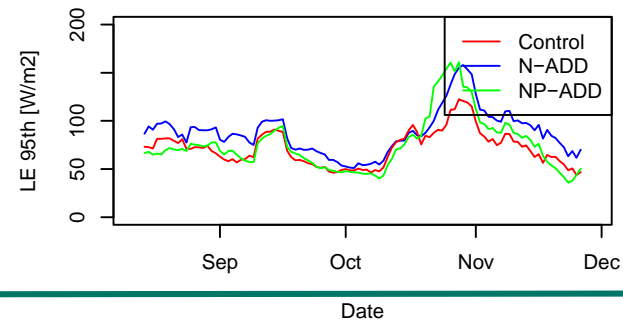
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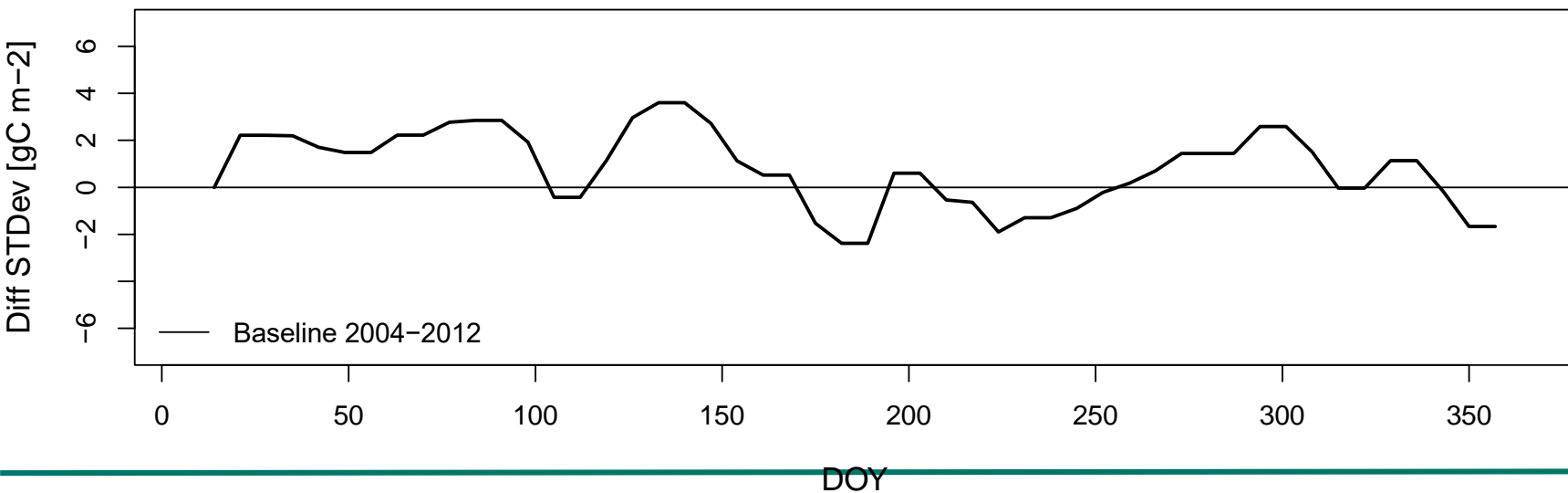
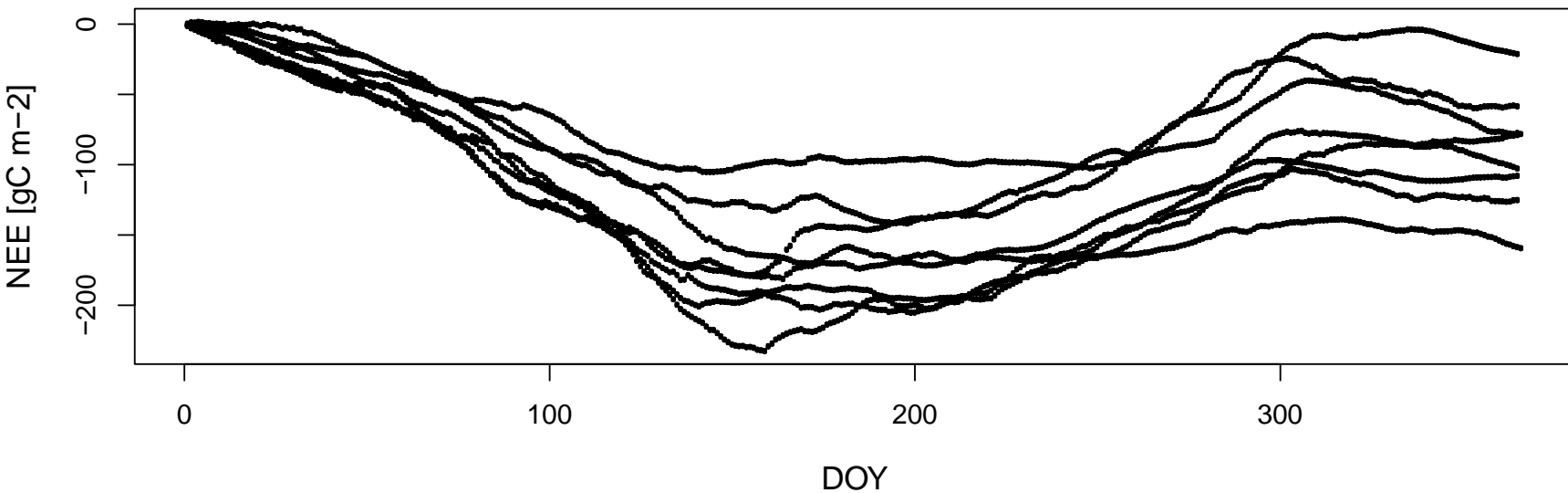
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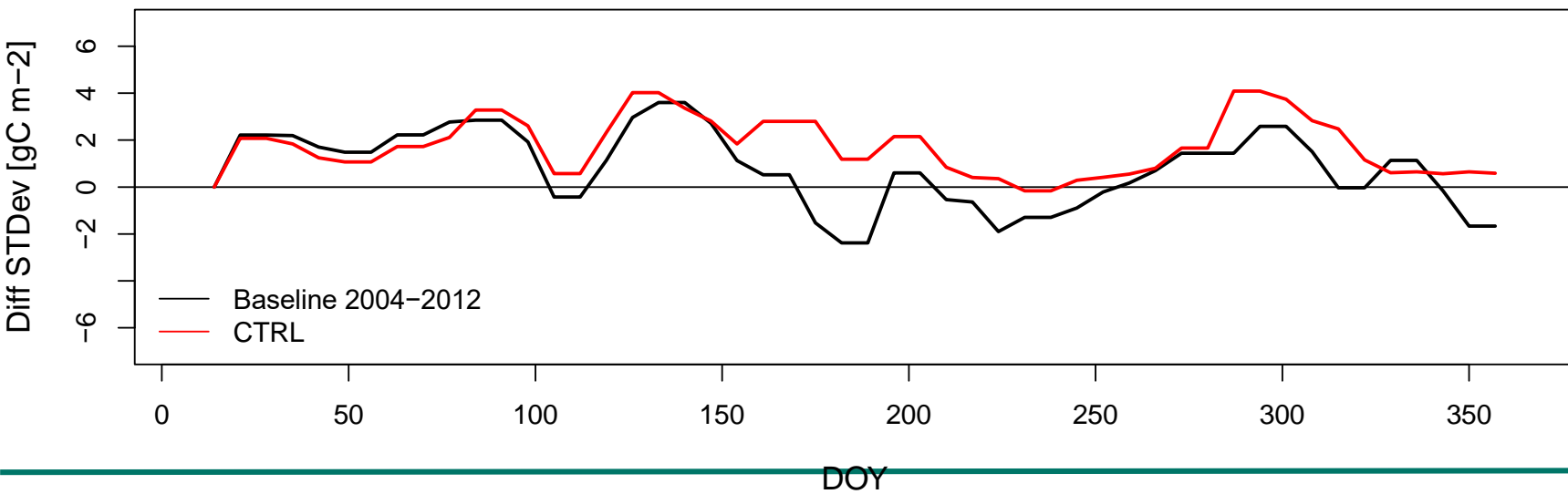
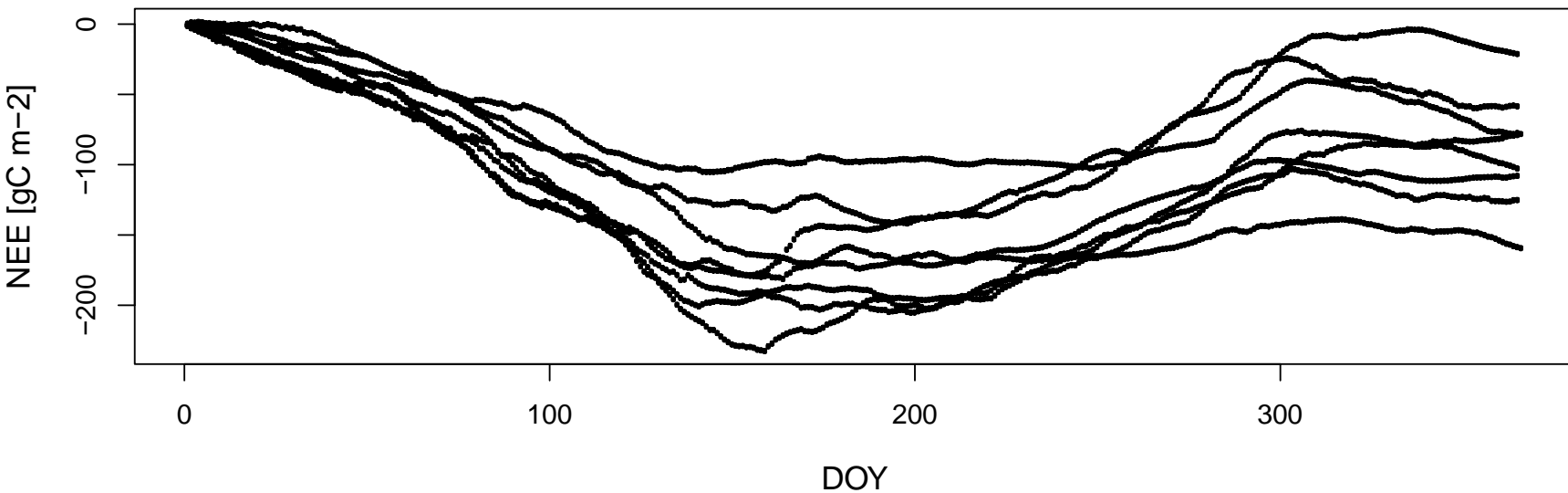
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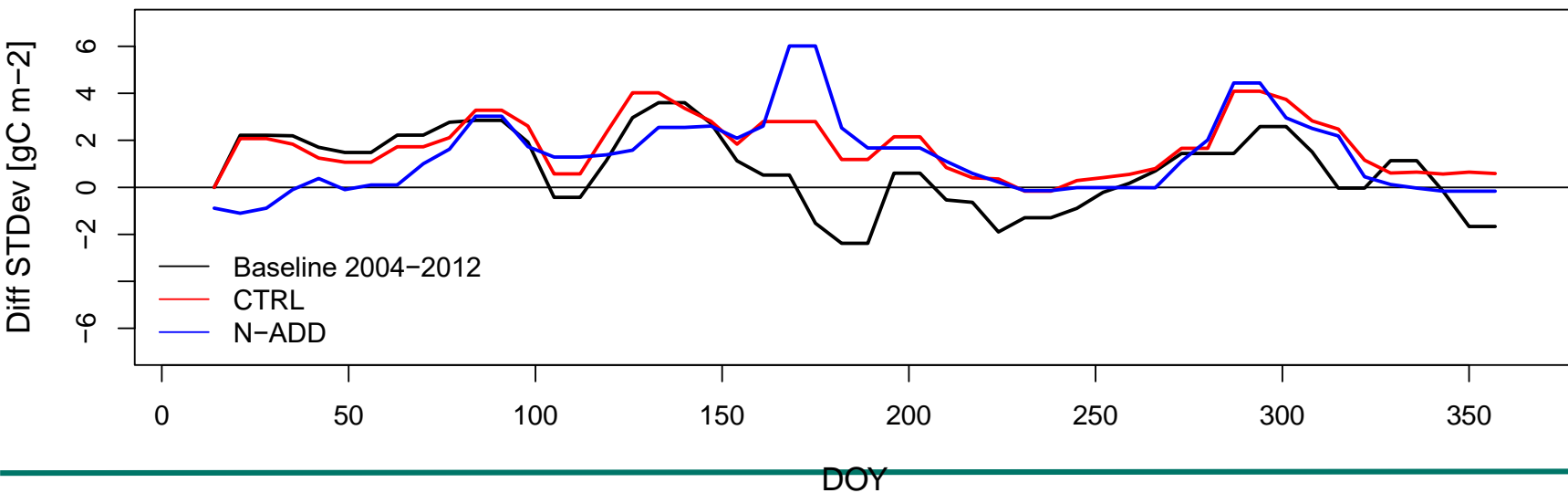
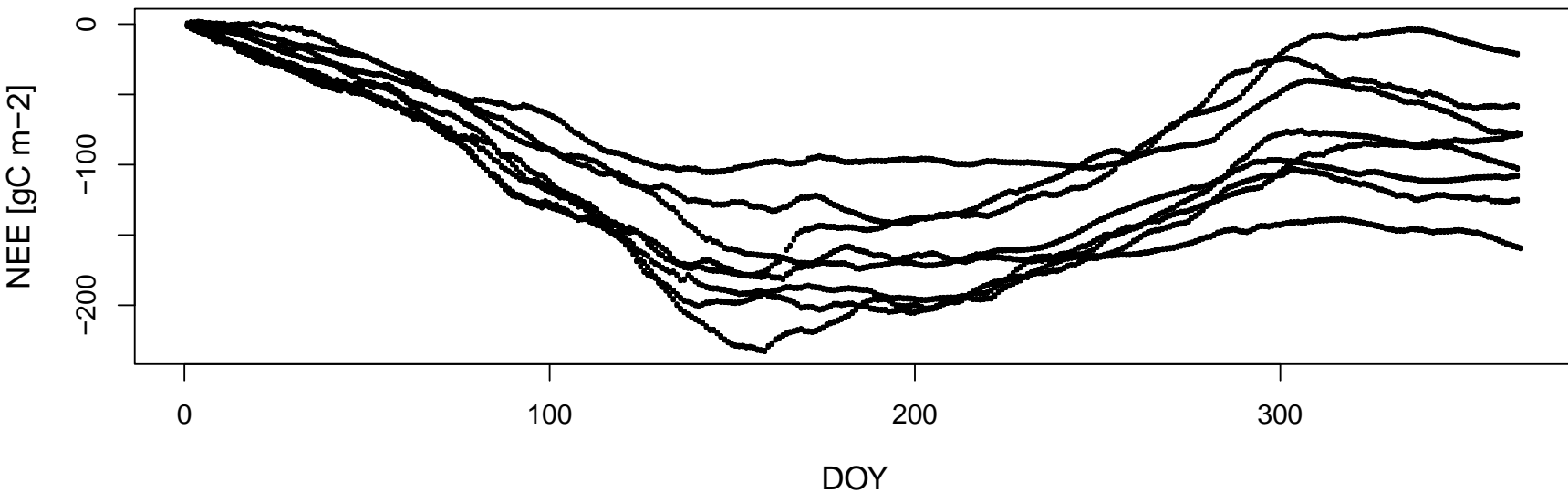


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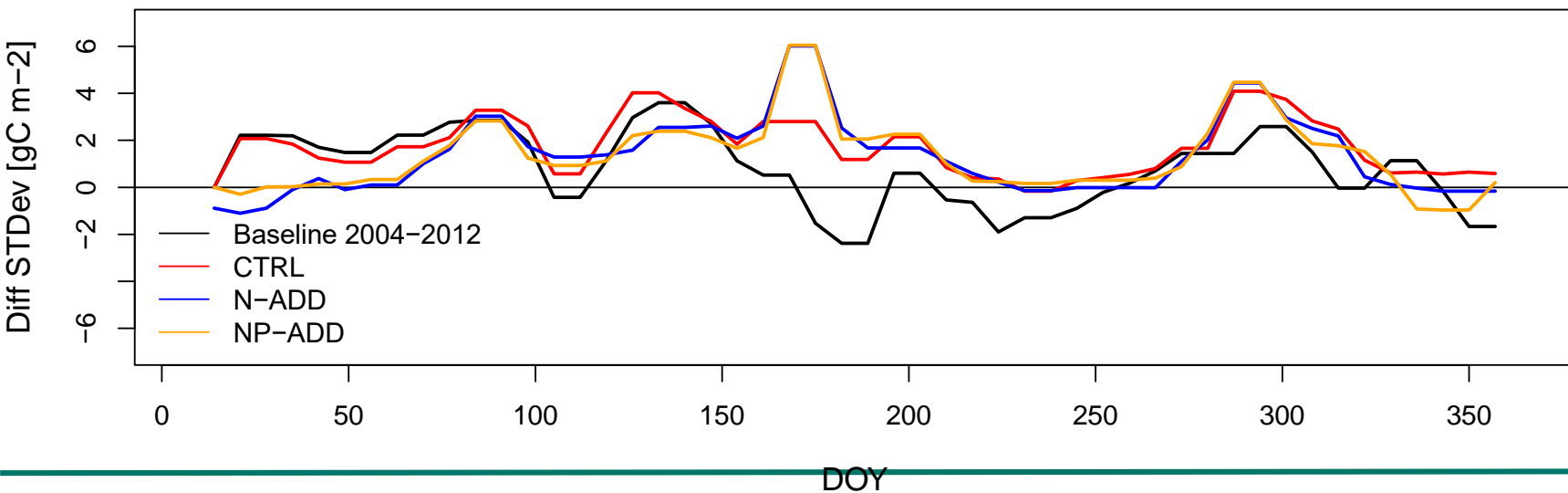
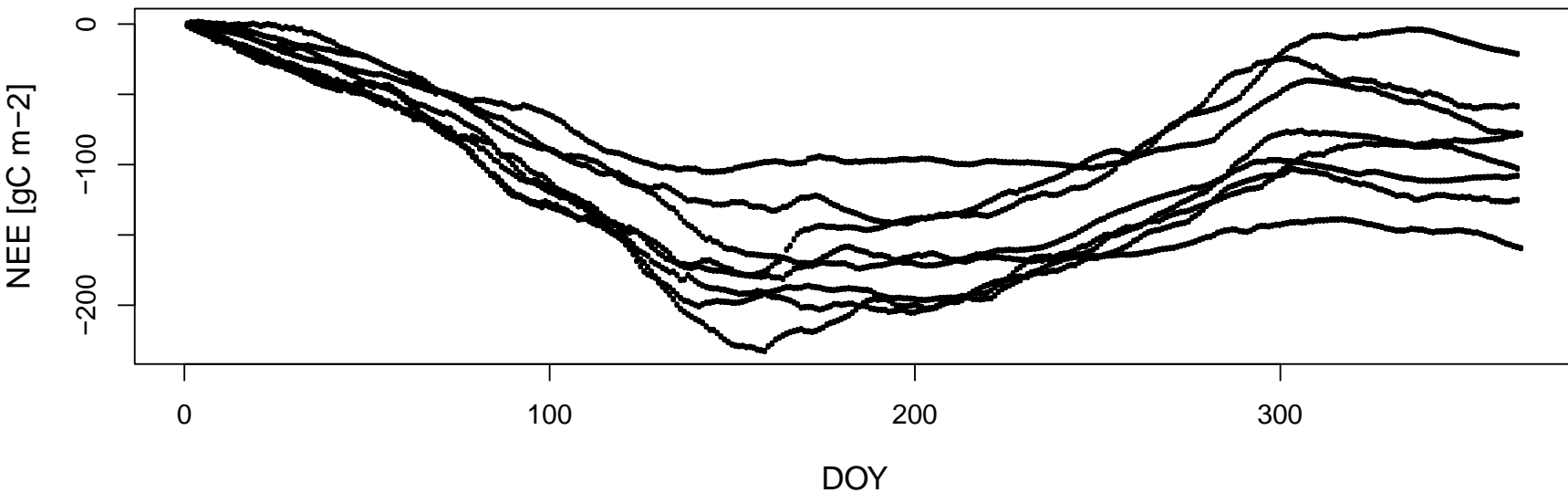




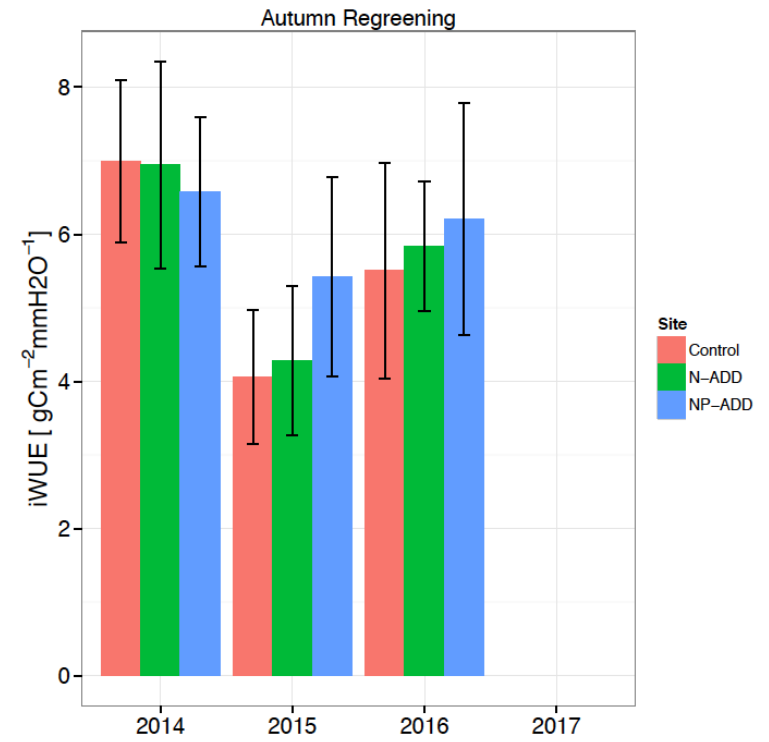
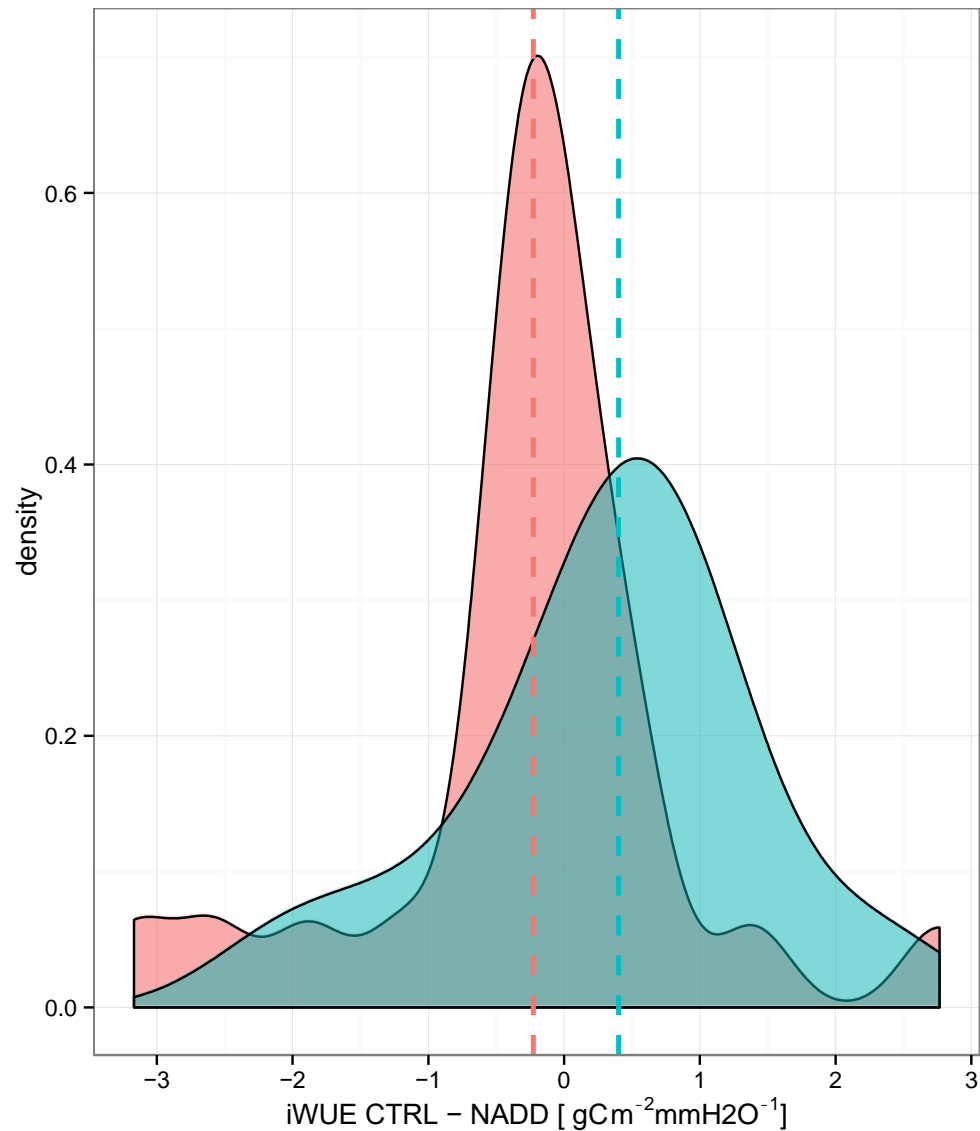
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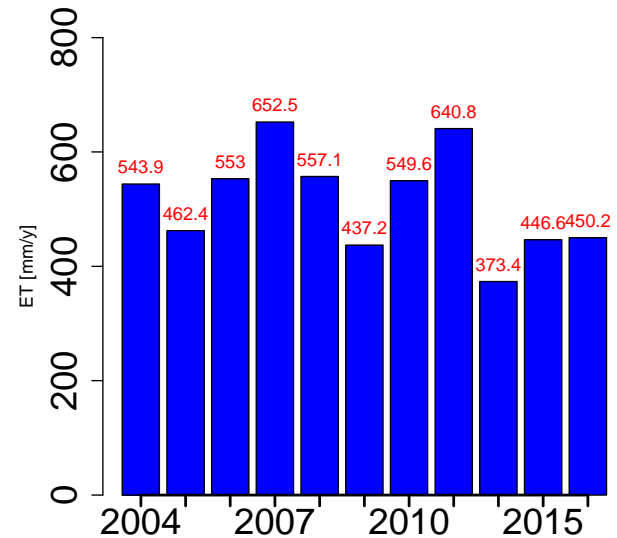
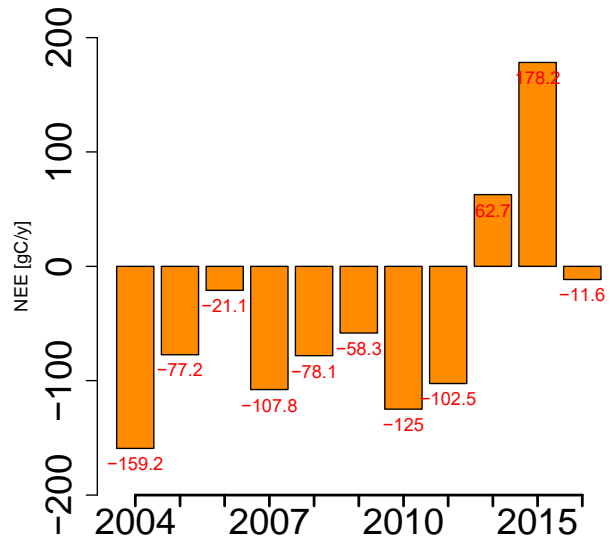
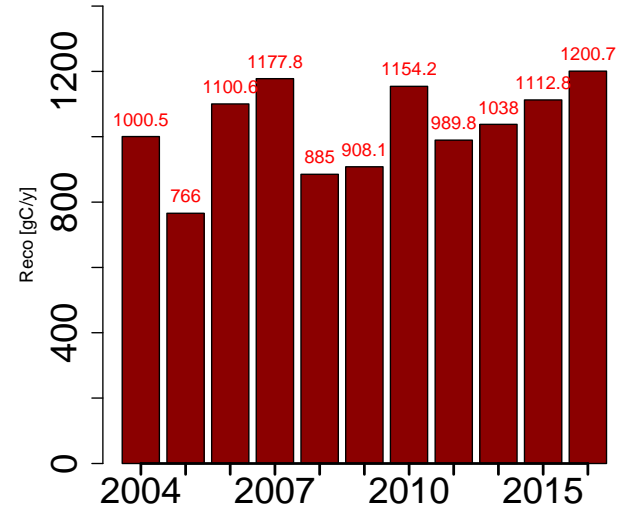
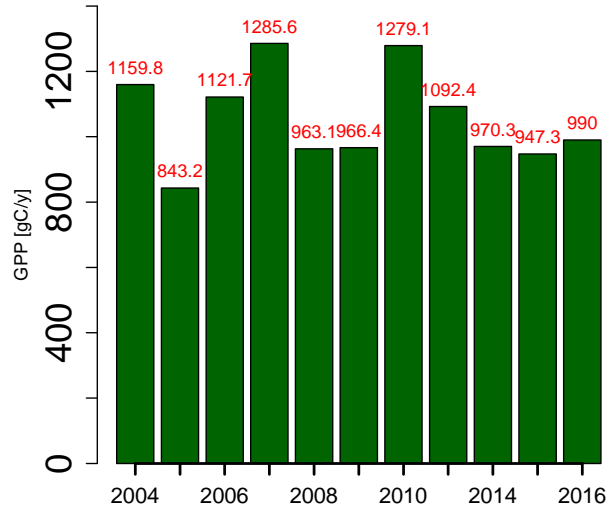
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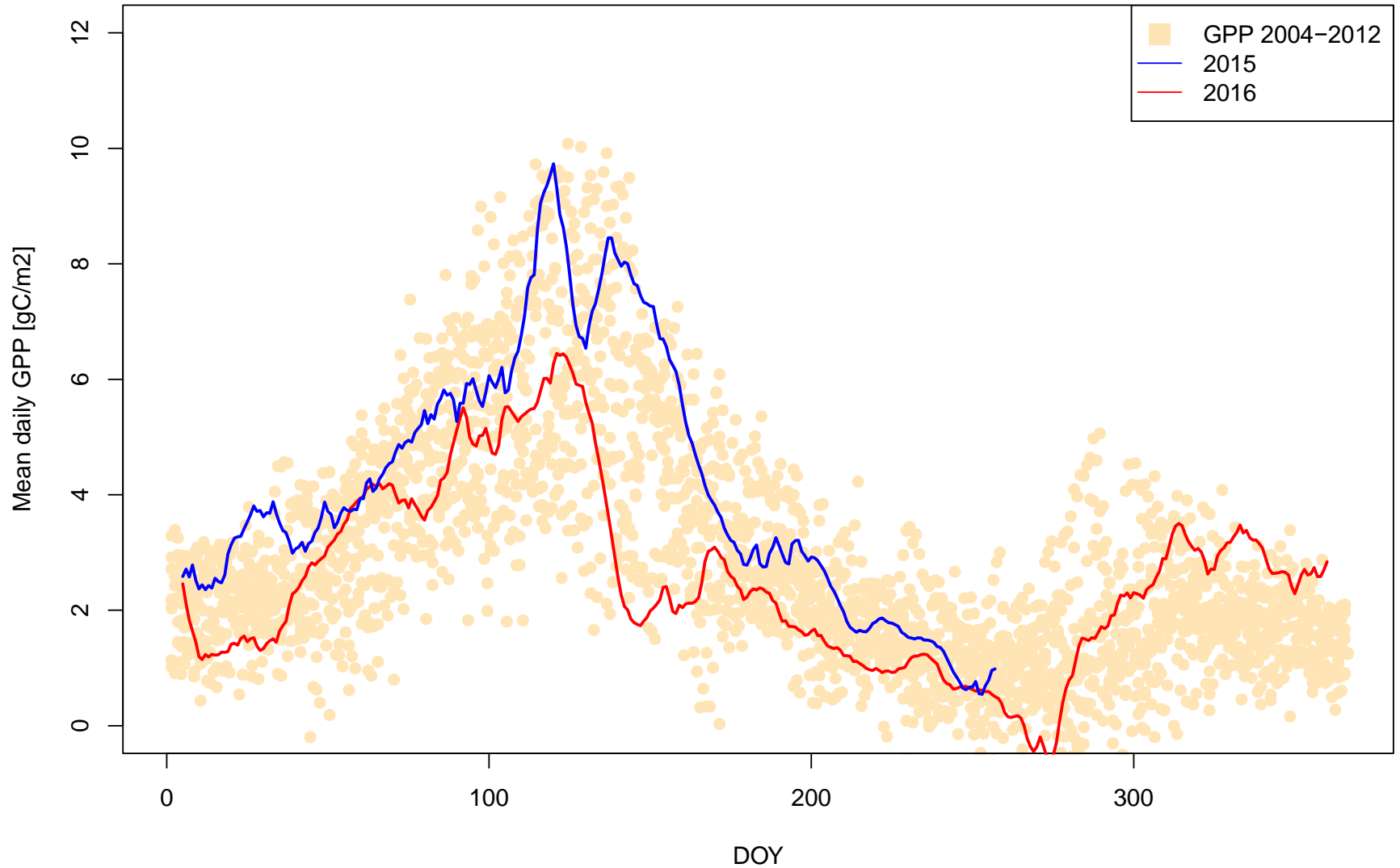
# Results – Water Use Efficiency



# Results – year to year variability of fluxes

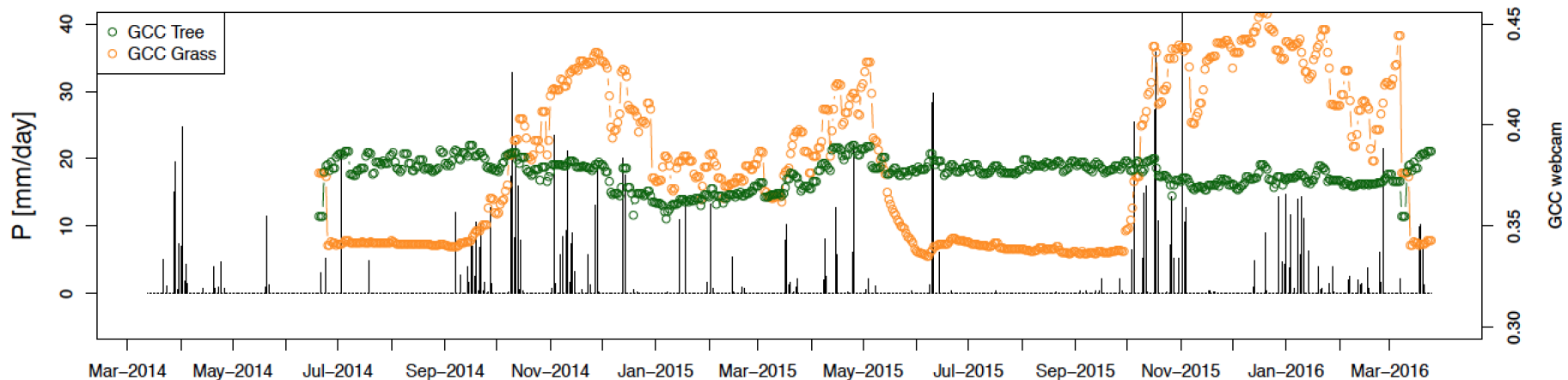


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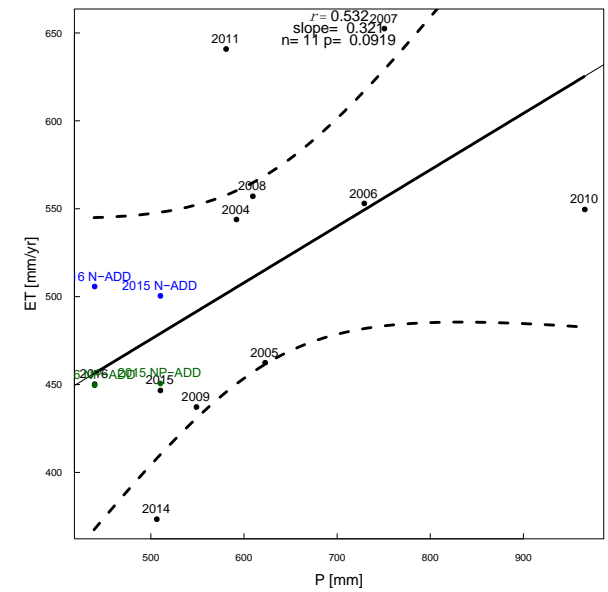
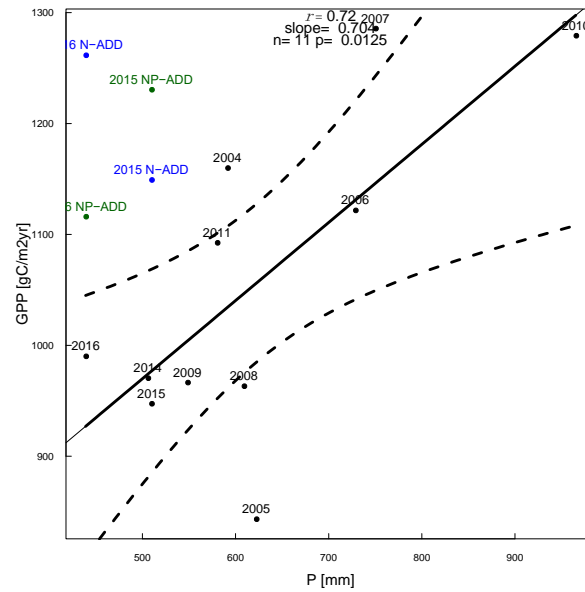
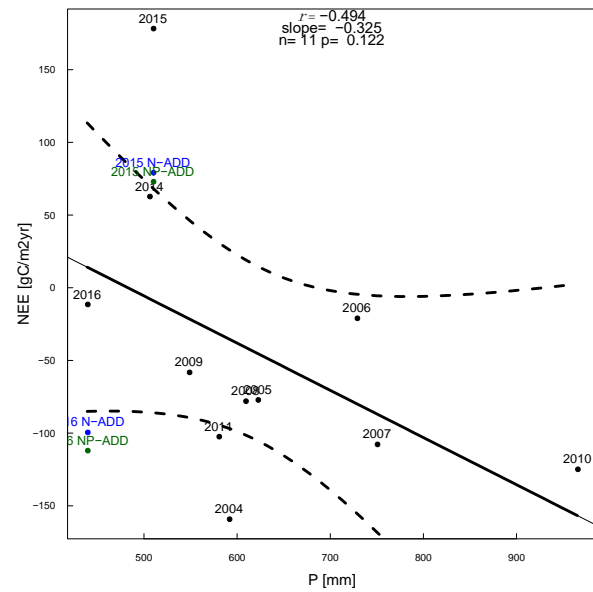


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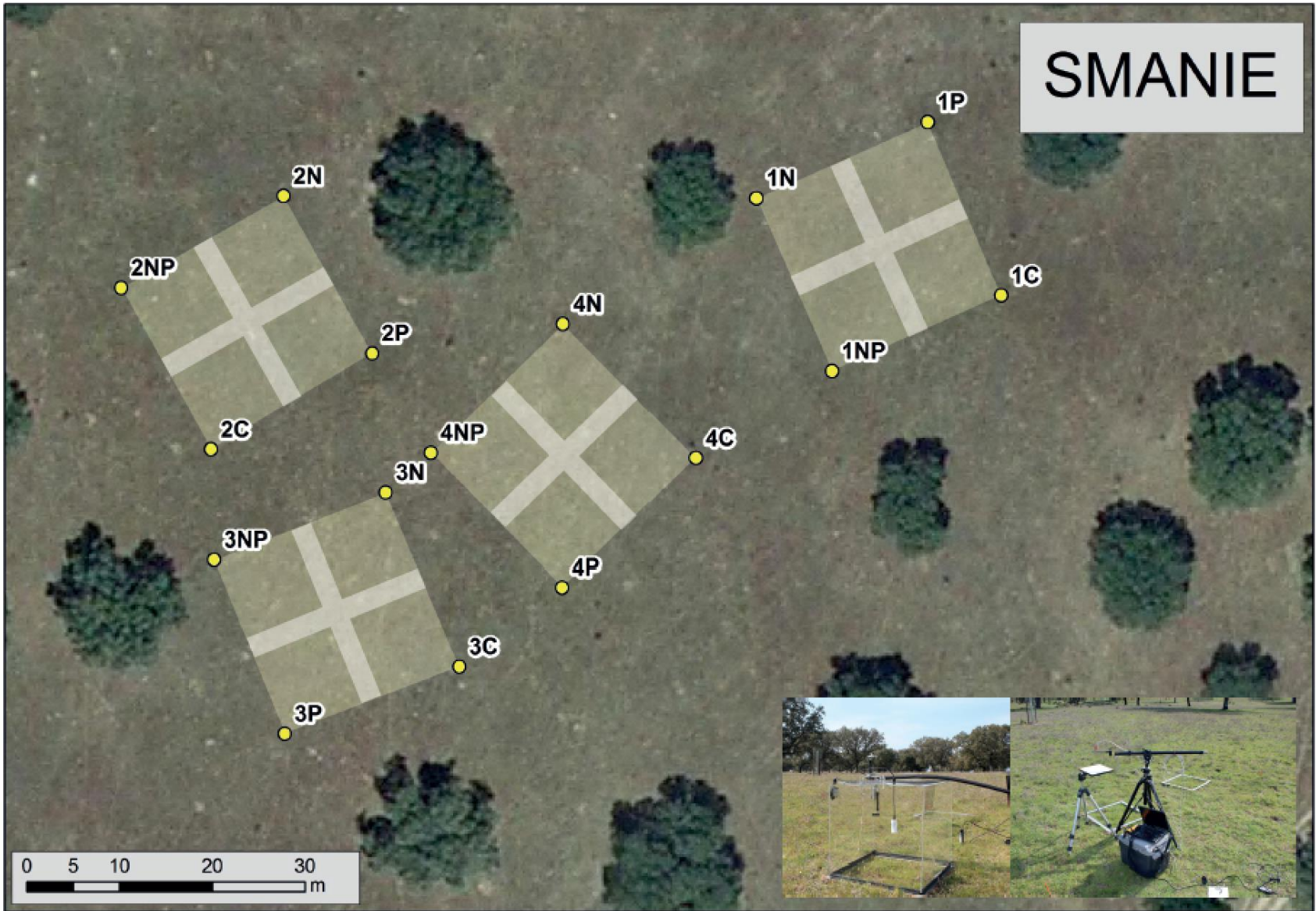


- **Typical Mediterranean ecosystem with dry summer**
- **Grass layer activity determined by water availability**
- **Evergreen Holm Oak**
- **Definition of phenophase based on greenness (e.g peak of season)**

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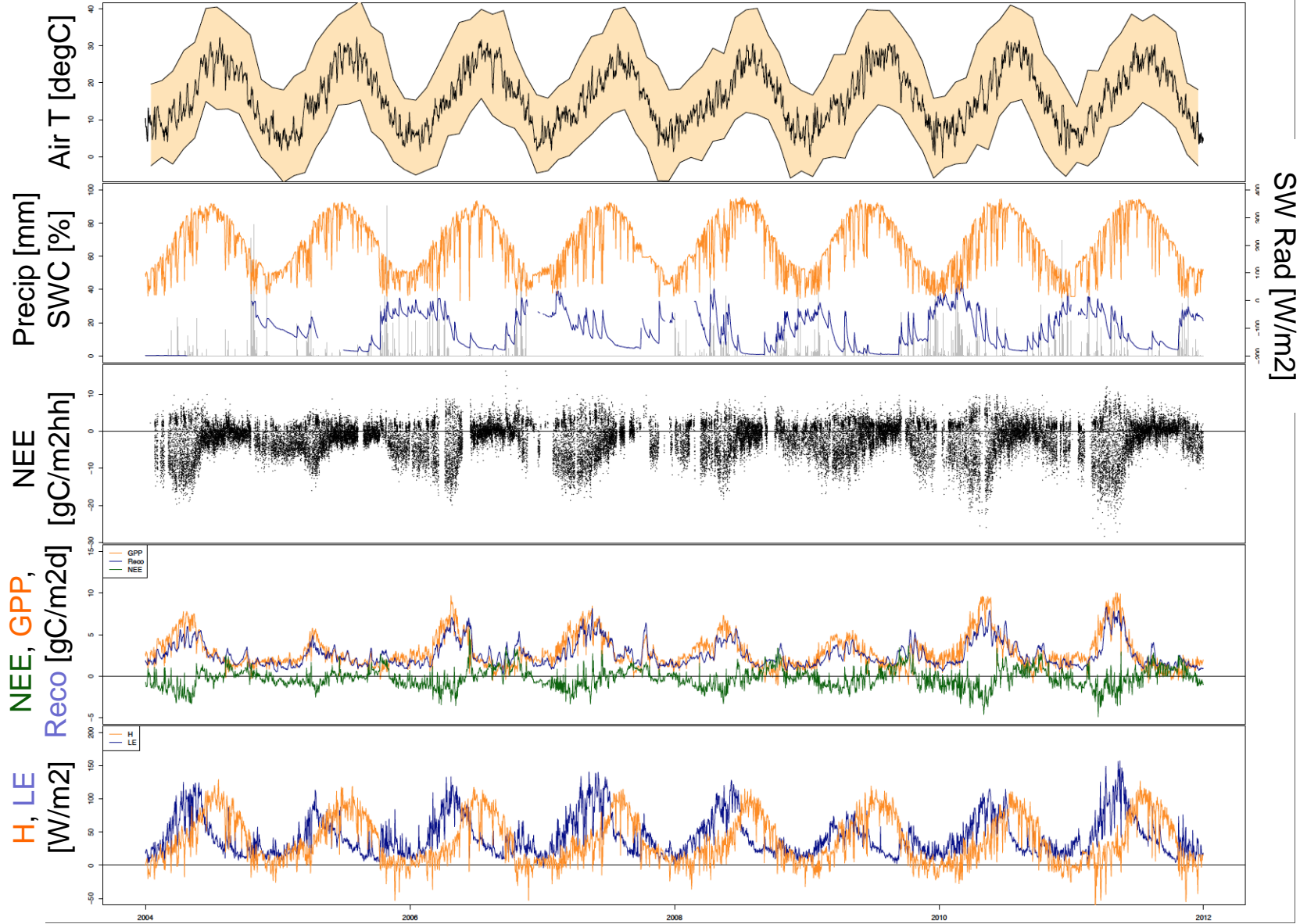


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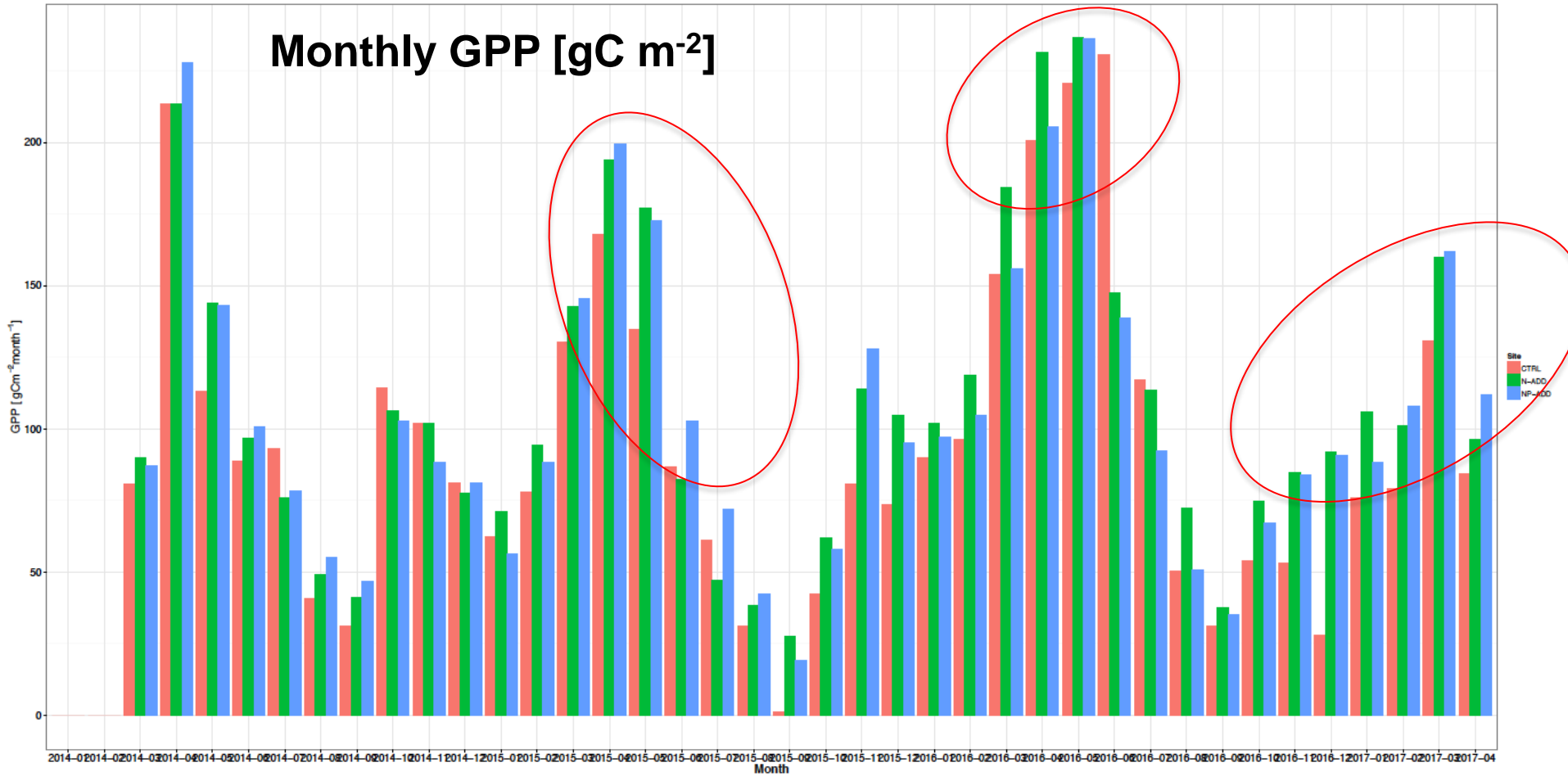


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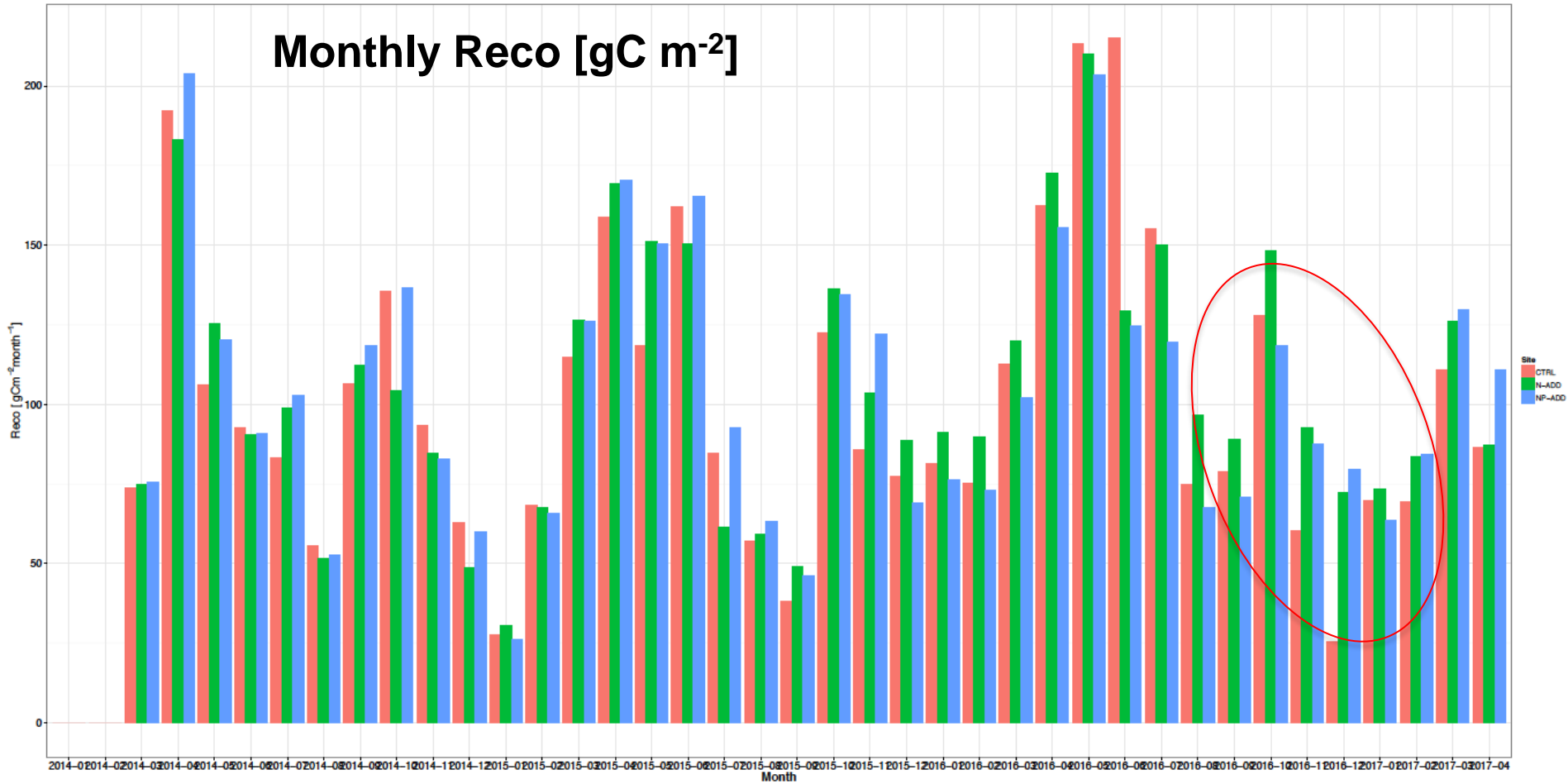
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# Results – Impact on C, H<sub>2</sub>O fluxes



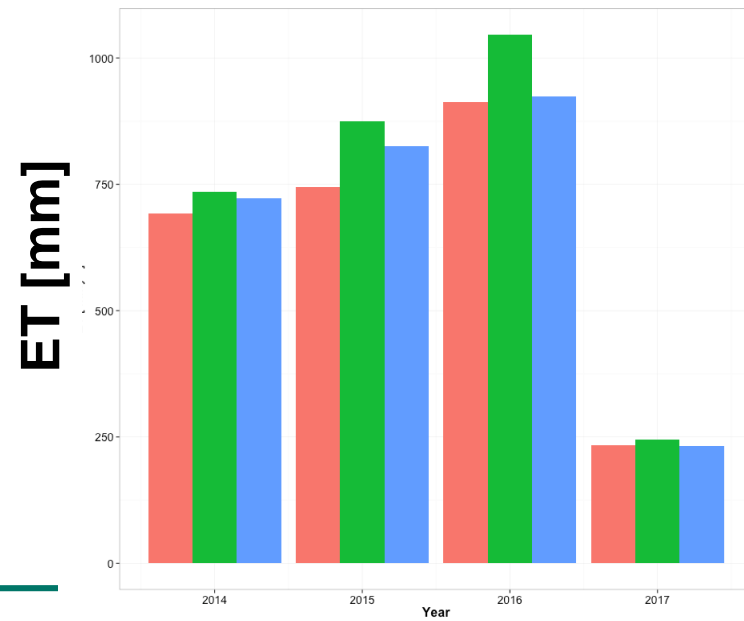
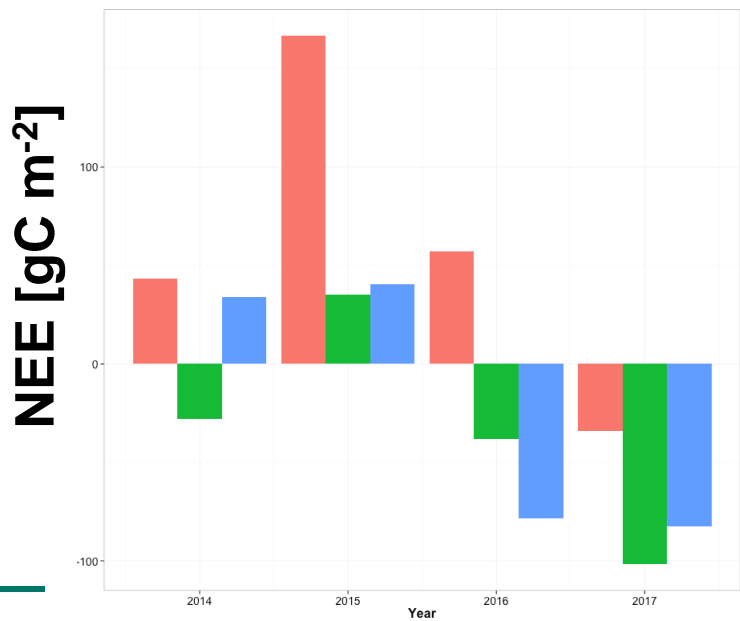
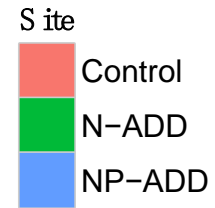
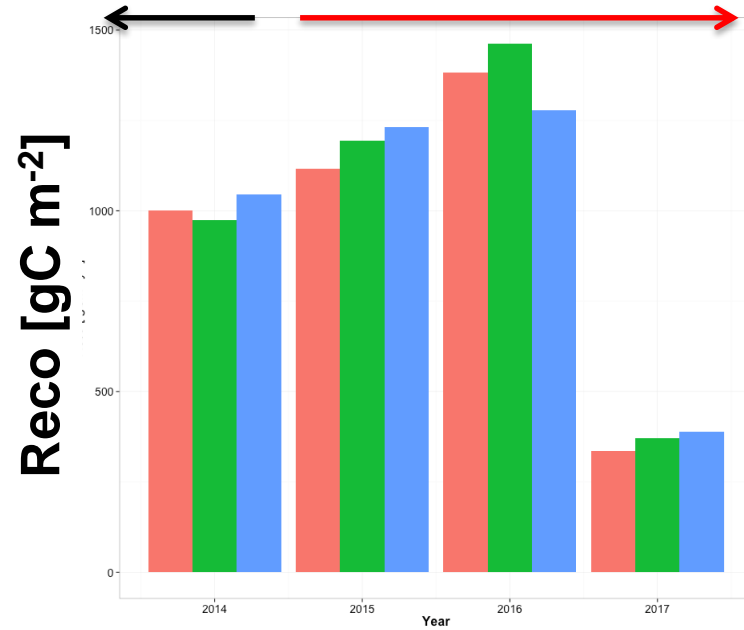
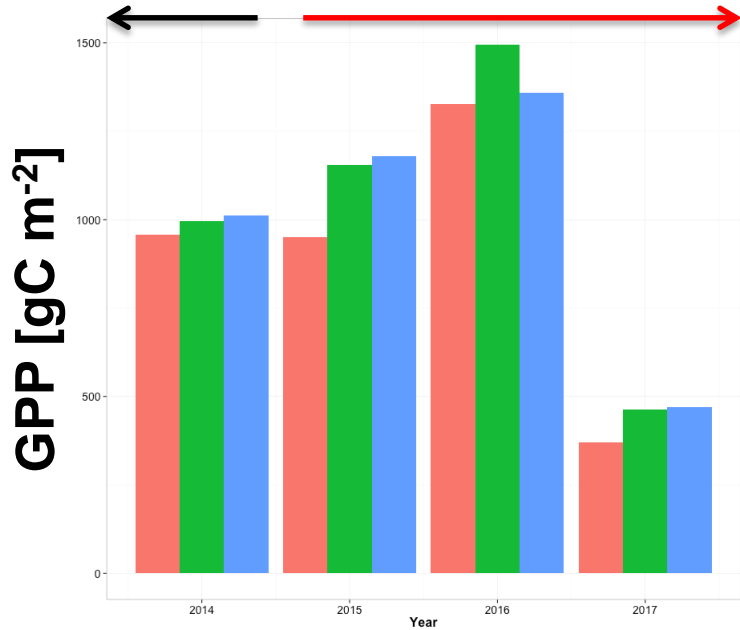


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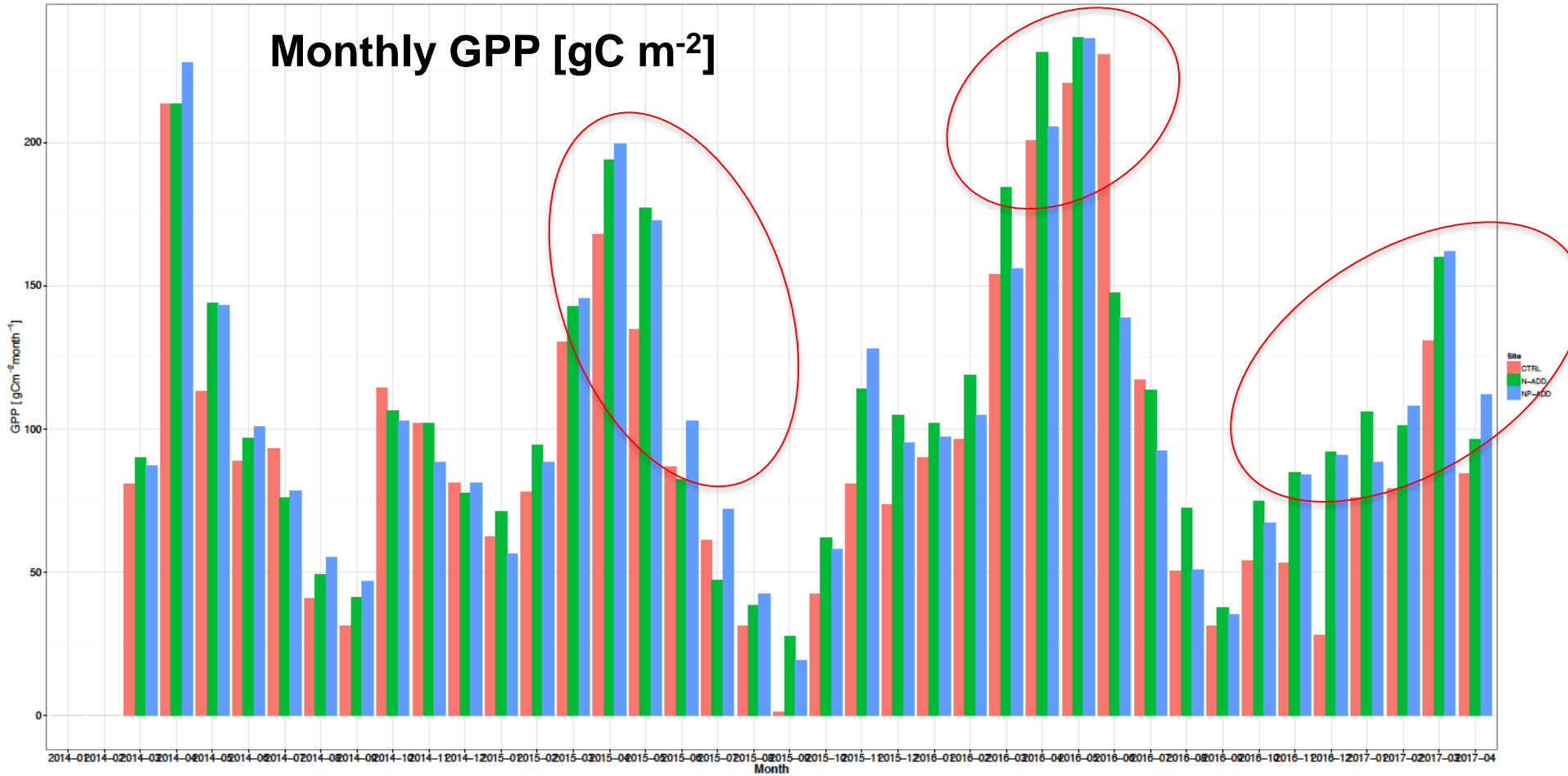


- **Barely significant** increase of the **water use efficiency** at annual time scale BUT...
    - Significant differences between treatments observed in specific periods (e.g. the **dry-down** and the **autumn season**);
    - NP treatment higher iWUE in autumn
  - The NP-ADD treatment is more dynamic in particular in Autumn after the first rainfall.
  - After fertilization the different treatments show changes in sensitivities of processes to climate drivers and efficiencies in specific moment of the year:
    - N and NP → higher light use efficiency in spring
    - NP more responsive and more respiration in particular in fall
    - NP with WUE
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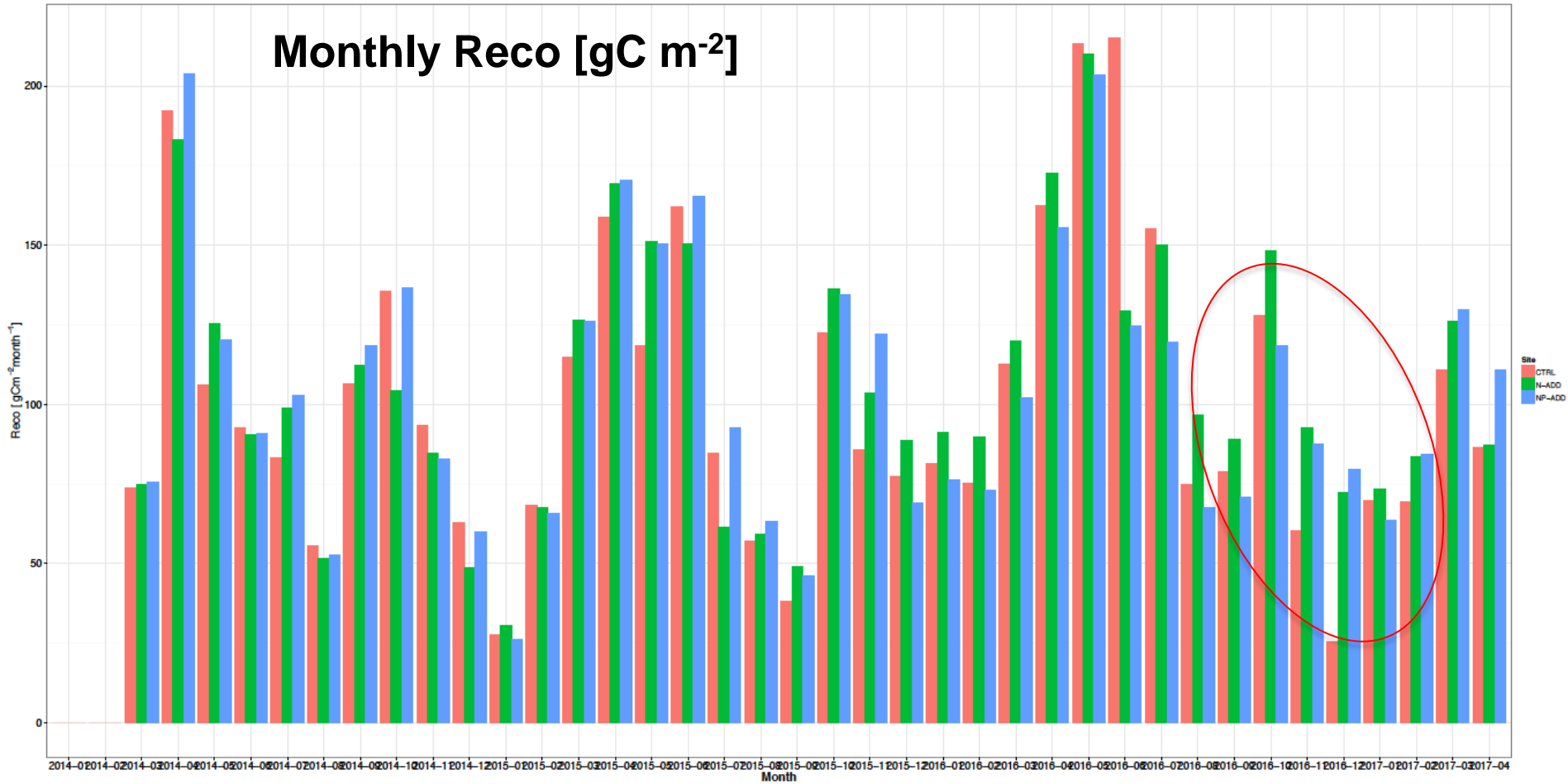
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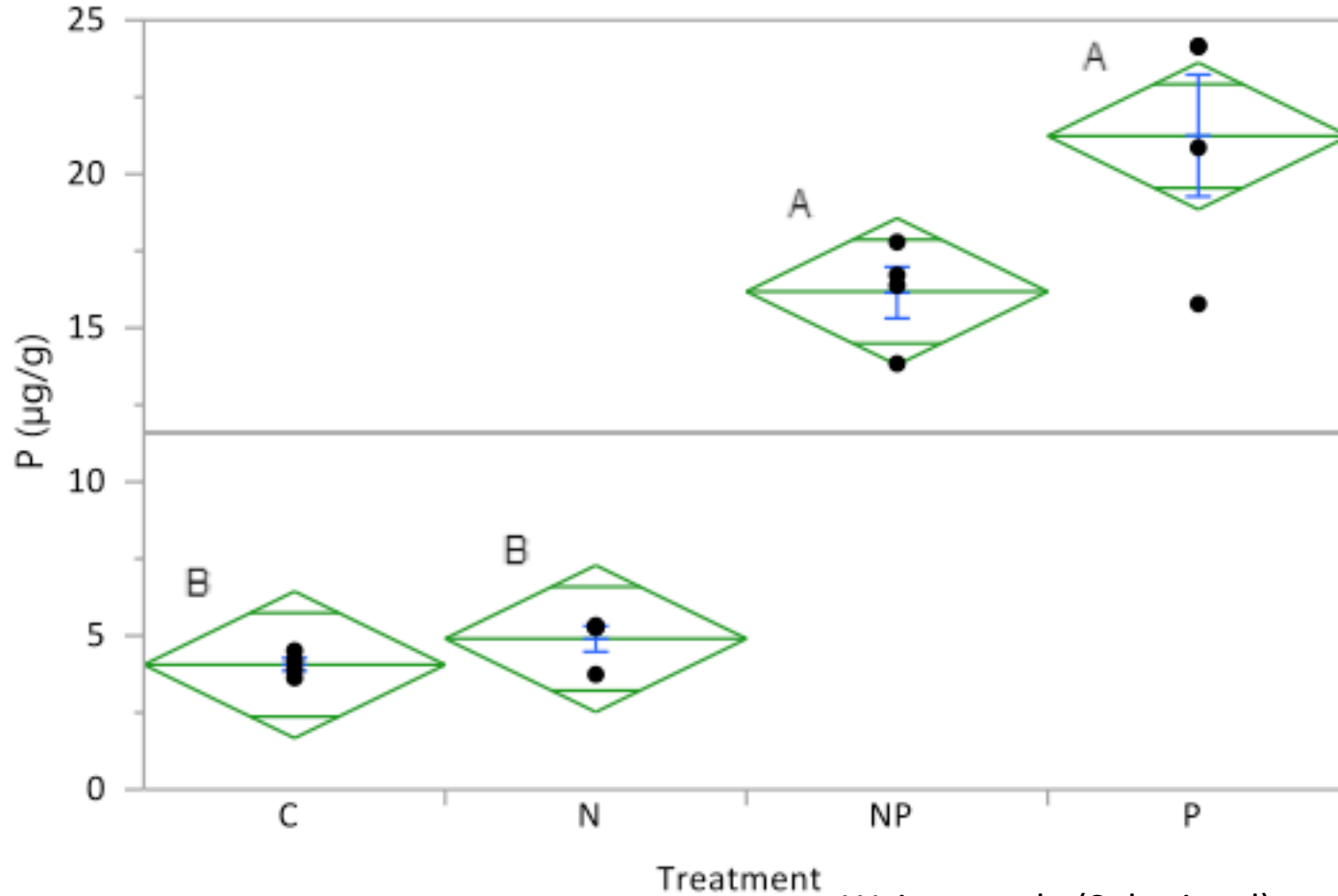
## Faster phosphate turnover in plot fertilized with nitrogen or phosphorus implying co-limitation

Site	Treatment	$\delta^{18}\text{O}_p$ (‰)	Bioavailable P concentration ( $\mu\text{g/g soil}$ )	Organic P concentration ( $\mu\text{g/g soil}$ )	C concentration (mg/g soil)	N concentration (mg/g soil)
MANIP	Control	$23.8 \pm 0.8$	$4.6 \pm 0.3$	$15.9 \pm 0.5$	$10.1 \pm 1.8$	$0.9 \pm 0.2$
	Control - Tree	$24 \pm 0.8$	$9.4 \pm 0.3$	$19.2 \pm 3.1$	$20.8 \pm 5.6$	$1.8 \pm 0.5$
	N	$23.1 \pm 0.2$	$5.3 \pm 1.1$	$10.7 \pm 1.6$	$11.1 \pm 0.6$	$1.0 \pm 0.1$
	N - Tree	$23.6 \pm 1.1$	$4.4 \pm 2.8$	$19.6 \pm 2.6$	$17.9 \pm 4.3$	$1.7 \pm 0.3$
	P	$25.1 \pm 2.2$	$10.8 \pm 9.9$	$10.0 \pm 1.6$	$8.0 \pm 3.1$	$0.7 \pm 0.3$
	P - Tree	$25.8 \pm 0.7$	$12.7 \pm 2.3$	$20.7 \pm 5.2$	$22.9 \pm 7.6$	$2.0 \pm 0.5$
	NP	$23.6 \pm 0$	$9.1 \pm 0.1$	$16.7 \pm 0.5$	$11.8 \pm 1.7$	$1.1 \pm 0.1$
	NP - Tree	$25.1 \pm 0.1$	$10.6 \pm 1.3$	$22.9 \pm 6.3$	$19.4 \pm 2.0$	$1.8 \pm 0.2$
SMANIE	Control	$23.1 \pm 0.4$	$4.1 \pm 0.4$			
	N	$23.2 \pm 0.8$	$4.9 \pm 0.8$			
	P	$25.2 \pm 0.6$	$21.2 \pm 4$			
	NP	$24.4 \pm 0.4$	$16.2 \pm 1.7$			

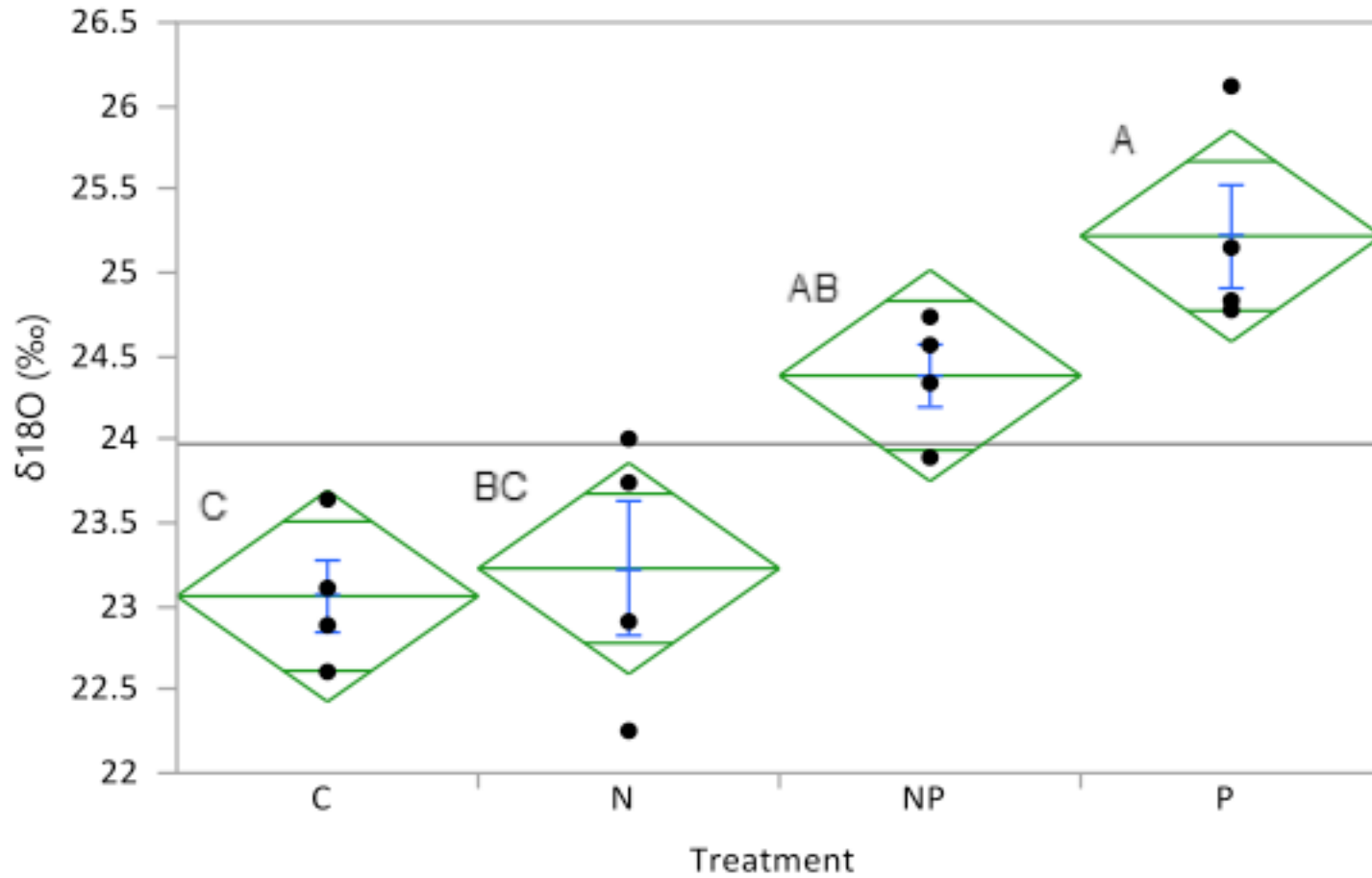
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# Response of Soil processes

## Grassland layer



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