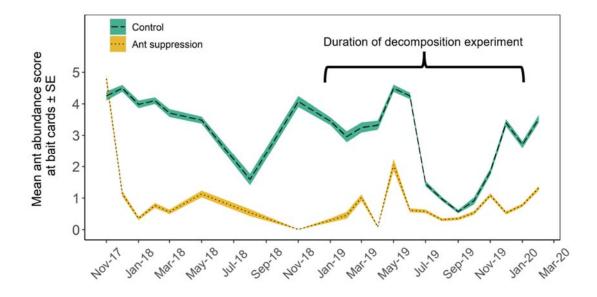
## Appendix S9

## Indirect control of decomposition by an invertebrate predator

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**Figure S9.** Mean ant abundance score on suppression and control plots between November 2017 and March 2020. Ant abundance was scored using a scoring system: 0 = no ants, 1 = 1 ants, 2 = 2-5 ants, 3 = 6-10 ants, 4 = 11-20 ants, 5 = 21-50 ants, 6 = >50 ants. Ant suppression treatment began in November 2017. The decomposition experiment took place from December 2018 to December 2019.