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## Appendix S1

### *Methods for Soil Analyses*

A subsample (~80-100g) from each plot was homogenized by grinding the soil with two steel beads (Daisy Premium 3/8" steel slingshot ammo) with 90 minutes of vigorous shaking using a paint shaker. Approximately 20 (18-25) mg of ground, homogenized soils were then packed into 5 x 9 mm tin capsules for carbon and nitrogen analysis using dry combustion gas chromatography on an Elemental Analyzer (Costech ECS 4010 CHNSO Analyzer, Valencia, California, USA) calibrated with the analytical standard, atropine (C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>). 20g of the ground, homogenized soils were sent to Waypoint Analytical (Memphis, TN, USA) to measure major nutrients, micronutrients, soil pH, organic matter, cation exchange capacity, and texture of the soil (percent sand, silt and clay; only measured in the Control Plots). Phosphorus, potassium, calcium, magnesium, sulfur, boron, copper, iron, manganese, zinc, and sodium (in parts per million) were measured using the Mehlich-3 method. Soil pH was measured with a water pH meter on a 1:1 soil:water suspension. Cation exchange capacity (CEC), reported here as meq/100 g (milliequivalents of charge per 100 g of dry soil), is a measure of the capacity of soil surfaces to retain cations and is used as an indicator of quality and productivity of the soil. CEC was calculated using the ppm of Ca, Mg, and K reported from the Mehlich-3 method using the following relationship:  $CEC = (\text{ppm Ca} / 200) + (\text{ppm Mg} / 120) + (\text{ppm K} / 390)$ . Soil percent organic matter was measured using the Loss on Ignition (LOI) method (combustion for two hours at 400 °C). Values of organic matter reported here were not treated with acid prior to combustion. Texture was measured using the hydrometer method. In brief, the soil sample was shaken with Sodium Hexametaphosphate (HMP) solution, and then transferred to a settling cylinder and mixed. The percent sand, silt, and clay particles were calculated from hydrometer density readings taken at 40 seconds and two hours.

**Table S1.** Change in the effect of nutrient enrichment on live biomass, dead biomass, and plant diversity over time at 47 globally distributed grassland sites. Year is a random effect in these models, but treatment effects are not allowed to vary among sites. Parameter codes as specified in model formula are shown in parentheses.

**Effects of Factorial Nutrient Addition on Live Biomass**

Formula: `live.lg ~ n * p * k * yr.lg + (yr.lg | site)`

Source	Estimate	Std. Error	DF	t	p
Intercept	2.364	0.063	54	37.547	<0.001
N (n)	0.055	0.027	9883	2.020	0.043
P (p)	0.005	0.027	9883	0.189	0.850
K (k)	-0.028	0.027	9883	-1.041	0.298
Duration (yr.lg)	-0.045	0.060	71	-0.757	0.451
N*P	0.016	0.039	9882	0.409	0.682
N*K	0.030	0.039	9882	0.776	0.438
P*K	0.057	0.039	9882	1.454	0.146
N*Duration	0.037	0.040	9884	0.925	0.355
P*Duration	0.048	0.040	9884	1.195	0.232
K*Duration	0.040	0.040	9884	0.986	0.324
N*P*K	-0.045	0.055	9881	-0.811	0.417
N*P*Duration	0.054	0.057	9882	0.945	0.345
N*K*Duration	-0.013	0.057	9882	-0.228	0.820
P*K*Duration	-0.050	0.057	9882	-0.866	0.386
N*P*K*Duration	0.005	0.081	9881	0.062	0.951

**Effects of Factorial Nutrient Addition on Dead Biomass**

Formula: `dead.lg ~ n * p * k * yr.lg + (yr.lg | site)`

Source	Estimate	Std. Error	DF	t	p
Intercept	1.916	0.099	48	19.271	<0.001
N (n)	-0.054	0.045	7952	-1.202	0.230
P (p)	-0.006	0.045	7953	-0.136	0.892
K (k)	0.037	0.045	7953	0.819	0.413
Duration (yr.lg)	-0.050	0.098	57	-0.507	0.614
N*P	0.060	0.065	7951	0.926	0.355
N*K	0.031	0.064	7951	0.488	0.626
P*K	-0.037	0.064	7951	-0.571	0.568
N*Duration	0.114	0.066	7953	1.728	0.084
P*Duration	0.076	0.066	7953	1.142	0.253
K*Duration	-0.024	0.066	7953	-0.356	0.722
N*P*K	-0.021	0.091	7950	-0.233	0.815
N*P*Duration	-0.092	0.095	7951	-0.967	0.333
N*K*Duration	0.026	0.095	7951	0.275	0.783
P*K*Duration	0.016	0.095	7952	0.167	0.868
N*P*K*Duration	-0.011	0.134	7950	-0.080	0.936

**Effects of Factorial Nutrient Addition on Plant Diversity**Formula:  $\text{div.lg} - n * p * k * \text{yr.lg} + (\text{yr.lg} \mid \text{site})$ 

Source	Estimate	Std. Error	DF	t	p
Intercept	0.526	0.029	58	18.435	<0.001
N (n)	-0.007	0.015	9883	-0.443	0.657
P (p)	-0.014	0.015	9883	-0.958	0.338
K (k)	-0.020	0.015	9883	-1.322	0.186
Duration (yr.lg)	0.003	0.030	75	0.088	0.930
N*P	0.015	0.021	9881	0.692	0.489
N*K	0.032	0.021	9881	1.502	0.133
P*K	0.029	0.021	9881	1.343	0.179
N*Duration	-0.062	0.022	9884	-2.794	0.005
P*Duration	-0.008	0.022	9884	-0.378	0.706
K*Duration	-0.001	0.022	9884	-0.029	0.977
N*P*K	-0.028	0.030	9880	-0.928	0.354
N*P*Duration	-0.035	0.031	9882	-1.108	0.268
N*K*Duration	-0.020	0.031	9882	-0.631	0.528
P*K*Duration	-0.022	0.031	9882	-0.686	0.492
N*P*K*Duration	-0.003	0.045	9880	-0.063	0.949

**Effects of Factorial Nutrient Addition on Plant Richness**Formula:  $\text{rich.lg} - n * p * k * \text{yr.lg} + (\text{yr.lg} \mid \text{site})$ 

Source	Estimate	Std. Error	DF	t	p
Intercept	0.987	0.032	54	30.914	<0.001
N (n)	-0.012	0.014	9883	-0.822	0.411
P (p)	0.002	0.014	9883	0.140	0.888
K (k)	-0.019	0.014	9883	-1.365	0.172
Duration (yr.lg)	-0.028	0.034	65	-0.825	0.412
N*P	0.004	0.020	9881	0.200	0.841
N*K	0.021	0.020	9881	1.056	0.291
P*K	0.002	0.020	9881	0.116	0.907
N*Duration	-0.077	0.021	9884	-3.728	0.000
P*Duration	-0.022	0.021	9884	-1.049	0.294
K*Duration	0.008	0.021	9884	0.398	0.691
N*P*K	-0.014	0.028	9880	-0.505	0.614
N*P*Duration	-0.035	0.030	9882	-1.169	0.242
N*K*Duration	-0.024	0.030	9882	-0.798	0.425
P*K*Duration	-0.024	0.030	9882	-0.817	0.414
N*P*K*Duration	0.017	0.042	9880	0.411	0.681

### Effects of Factorial Nutrient Addition on Plant Evenness

Formula:  $evs.lg - n * p * k * yr.lg + (yr.lg | site)$

Source	Estimate	Std. Error	DF	t	p
Intercept	-0.461	0.020	70	-23.203	<0.001
N (n)	0.005	0.013	9885	0.364	0.716
P (p)	-0.016	0.013	9884	-1.222	0.222
K (k)	-0.001	0.013	9885	-0.048	0.961
Duration (yr.lg)	0.030	0.022	101	1.372	0.173
N*P	0.011	0.019	9881	0.565	0.572
N*K	0.011	0.019	9881	0.575	0.565
P*K	0.026	0.019	9881	1.384	0.166
N*Duration	0.016	0.020	9886	0.791	0.429
P*Duration	0.013	0.020	9886	0.680	0.497
K*Duration	-0.009	0.020	9886	-0.448	0.654
N*P*K	-0.014	0.027	9879	-0.515	0.607
N*P*Duration	0.000	0.028	9882	-0.012	0.991
N*K*Duration	0.004	0.028	9882	0.129	0.897
P*K*Duration	0.002	0.028	9882	0.087	0.930
N*P*K*Duration	-0.020	0.040	9879	-0.494	0.621

**Table S2.** Change in the effect of nutrient enrichment on live biomass, dead biomass, and plant diversity over time at 44 globally distributed grassland sites. In these models, nutrient effect and experimental duration vary among sites. Parameter codes as specified in model formula are shown in parentheses. Note that dead biomass p values are based on simplified random effects specification.

**Effects of Nutrient Addition on Live Biomass**

Formula:  $\text{live.lg} - \text{trt} * \text{yr.lg} + (\text{trt} + \text{yr.lg} \mid \text{site})$

Source	Estimate	Std. Error	DF	t	p
Intercept	2.358	0.062	49	38.043	< 0.001
NPK (trt)	0.090	0.028	360	3.202	0.001
Duration (yr.lg)	-0.019	0.059	58	-0.331	0.742
NPK*Duration	0.107	0.039	2322	2.745	0.006

**Effects of Nutrient Addition on Dead Biomass**

Formula:  $\text{dead.lg} - \text{trt} + \text{yr.lg} + (\text{trt} + \text{yr.lg} \mid \text{site})$

Source	Estimate	Std. Error	DF	t	p
Intercept	1.901	0.097	40	19.699	< 0.001
NPK (trt)	0.065	0.028	37	2.316	0.026
Duration (yr.lg)	-0.022	0.096	33	-0.229	0.821

**Effects of Nutrient Addition on Diversity**

Formula:  $\text{div.lg} - \text{trt} * \text{yr.lg} + (\text{trt} + \text{yr.lg} \mid \text{site})$

Source	Estimate	Std. Error	DF	t	p
Intercept	0.524	0.030	50	17.477	< 0.001
NPK (trt)	0.011	0.019	161	0.589	0.556
Duration (yr.lg)	0.010	0.030	56	0.325	0.746
NPK*Duration	-0.158	0.022	2503	-7.169	0.000

**Effects of Nutrient Addition on Plant Richness**

Formula:  $\text{rich.lg} - \text{trt} * \text{yr.lg} + (\text{yr.lg} \mid \text{site})$

Source	Estimate	Std. Error	DF	t	p
Intercept	0.990	0.031	51	32.440	< 0.001
NPK (trt)	-0.015	0.014	2546	-1.073	0.283
Duration (yr.lg)	-0.033	0.034	54	-0.946	0.348
NPK*Duration	-0.156	0.021	2547	-7.593	0.000

### Effects of Nutrient Addition on Plant Evenness

Formula:  $\text{evs.lg} \sim \text{trt} * \text{yr.lg} + (\text{trt} + \text{yr.lg} | \text{site})$

Source	Estimate	Std. Error	DF	t	p
Intercept	-0.462	0.021	52	-21.720	< 0.001
NPK (trt)	0.022	0.015	248	1.502	0.134
Duration (yr.lg)	0.039	0.024	58	1.648	0.105
NPK*Duration	-0.002	0.019	2431	-0.082	0.935

**Table S3.** Correlation between the change in nutrient enrichment effects over time on live biomass (`year.slope.live`), dead biomass (`year.slope.dead`), and plant diversity (`year.slope.div`). Note: These are the slopes from Figs. 1 and 2 as plotted in Fig. 3.

**Correlation between Live Biomass and Diversity Effect Slopes**

Formula: `sma(formula = year.slope.live - year.slope.div, data = slopes.df)`  
R-squared : 0.030  
P-value : 0.241

**Correlation between Live Biomass and Dead Biomass Effect Slopes**

Formula: `sma(formula = year.slope.live - year.slope.dead, data = slopes.df)`  
R-squared : 0.288  
P-value : < 0.001

**Correlation between Dead Biomass and Diversity Effect Slopes**

Formula: `sma(formula = year.slope.div - year.slope.dead, data = slopes.df)`  
R-squared : 0.055  
P-value : 0.136

**Table S4.** Models of site level variables determining the change in nutrient effects on biomass, dead biomass, and plant diversity over time at 38 globally distributed grassland sites. Note: The responses are the slopes from Fig. 1 as plotted in Fig. 3. Variables in full model include Aridity Index (`ai.lg`), pre-treatment soil, pre-treatment soil base cations, pre-treatment soil N, pre-treatment soil C:N, and experimental duration (`max.trt.yr`). Models also include pre-treatment values of the response variable, e.g., live biomass (`live.lg.0`), dead biomass (`dead.lg.0`), and diversity (`div.lg.0`), and they include the change in nutrient enrichment effects over time on live biomass (`year.slope.live`), dead biomass (`year.slope.dead`), and plant diversity (`year.slope.div`). Models are combined using model averaging (`dredge` and `model.avg` in the MuMIn library in R). Here we only show the results of models without soil chemistry included, as not all sites had data available or pre-treatment soil chemistry and soil chemistry was not included in any of the final models. Full averages show effects across all models within 4 AICc units of the best (i.e., lowest AICc) model, and the conditional averages are effects averaged only across models in which the variable is included.

### Drivers of Live Biomass Slopes

Formula: `year.slope.live ~ ai.lg + max.trt.yr + live.lg.0 + year.slope.div + year.slope.dead`

#### Full Averages

Source	Estimate	Std. Error	z	p	Importance	Number of Models
(Intercept)	0.111	0.006	16.772	< 0.001		
<code>year.slope.dead</code>	-0.039	0.014	2.721	0.007	1.00	10
<code>live.lg.0</code>	0.021	0.017	1.204	0.229	0.74	6
<code>max.trt.yr</code>	-0.010	0.014	0.723	0.470	0.49	5
<code>ai.lg</code>	0.004	0.010	0.413	0.679	0.29	4
<code>year.slope.div</code>	0.000	0.005	0.072	0.942	0.12	2

#### Conditional Averages

Source	Estimate	Std. Error	z	p	Importance	Number of Models
(Intercept)	0.111	0.006	16.772	< 0.001		
<code>year.slope.dead</code>	-0.039	0.014	2.721	0.007	1.00	10
<code>live.lg.0</code>	0.028	0.013	1.989	0.047	0.74	6
<code>max.trt.yr</code>	-0.020	0.013	1.509	0.131	0.49	5
<code>ai.lg</code>	0.014	0.014	1.021	0.307	0.29	4
<code>year.slope.div</code>	0.003	0.014	0.216	0.829	0.12	2



### Drivers of Dead Biomass Slopes

Formula: year.slope.dead-ai.lg+max.trt.yr+dead.lg.0+year.slope.div+year.slope.live

#### Full Averages

Source	Estimate	Std.Error	Z	p	Importance	Number of Models
(Intercept)	0.112	0.016	6.562	< 0.001		
year.slope.live	-0.099	0.036	2.632	0.008	1.000	10
dead.lg.0	-0.045	0.043	1.044	0.297	0.670	6
year.slope.div	-0.012	0.026	0.447	0.655	0.310	4
max.trt.yr	-0.006	0.020	0.298	0.766	0.210	3
ai.lg	0.001	0.014	0.048	0.962	0.150	3

#### Conditional Averages

Source	Estimate	Std.Error	Z	p	Importance	Number of Models
(Intercept)	0.112	0.016	6.562	< 0.001		
year.slope.live	-0.099	0.036	2.632	0.008	1.000	10
dead.lg.0	-0.067	0.035	1.844	0.065	0.670	6
year.slope.div	-0.038	0.034	1.082	0.279	0.310	4
max.trt.yr	-0.029	0.035	0.786	0.432	0.210	3
ai.lg	0.005	0.036	0.124	0.901	0.150	3

### Drivers of Diversity Slopes

Formula: year.slope.div~ai.lg+max.trt.yr+live.lg.0+year.slope.dead+year.slope.live

#### Full Averages

Source	Estimate	Std.Error	Z	p	Importance	Number of Models
(Intercept)	-0.177	0.017	9.927	<2e-16		
div.lg.0	-0.078	0.041	1.880	0.060	0.930	13
max.trt.yr	0.023	0.035	0.651	0.515	0.440	7
year.slope.live	0.018	0.032	0.544	0.586	0.370	6
year.slope.dead	-0.012	0.028	0.412	0.680	0.310	7
ai.lg	-0.002	0.016	0.110	0.913	0.180	5

#### Conditional Averages

Source	Estimate	Std.Error	Z	p	Importance	Number of Models
(Intercept)	-0.177	0.017	9.927	<2e-16		
div.lg.0	-0.084	0.035	2.309	0.021	0.930	13
max.trt.yr	0.051	0.035	1.421	0.155	0.440	7
year.slope.live	0.048	0.037	1.260	0.208	0.370	6
year.slope.dead	-0.039	0.040	0.951	0.342	0.310	7
ai.lg	-0.010	0.036	0.269	0.788	0.180	5

**Table S5.** Models of site level variables determining the change in nutrient effects on biomass, dead biomass, and plant diversity over time at 38 globally distributed grassland sites. Note: The responses are the slopes from Fig. 1 as plotted in Fig. 3. Variables in full model include water availability index (`ai.lg`), mean annual precipitation (`map`), mean annual temperature (`mat`), mean diurnal temperature range (`mat_range`), mean annual temperature range (`ann_temp_range`), temperature in the wettest quarter (`temp_wet_q`), pre-treatment soil pH (`ph`), pre-treatment soil base cations (`base.cations`), pre-treatment soil N (`pct_n.lg`), pre-treatment soil C:N (`c2n.lg`), and experimental duration (`max.trt.yr`). Models also include pre-treatment values of the response variable, e.g., live biomass (`live.lg.0`), dead biomass (`dead.lg.0`), and diversity (`div.lg.0`), and they include the change in nutrient enrichment effects over time on live biomass (`year.slope.live`), dead biomass (`year.slope.dead`), and plant diversity (`year.slope.div`). Models are combined using model averaging (`dredge` and `model.avg` in the MuMIn library in R). Full averages show effects across all models within 4 AICc units of the best (i.e., lowest AICc) model, and the conditional averages are effects averaged only across models in which the variable is included.

### Drivers of Live Biomass Slopes

Formula: year.slope.live~ ai.lg + map + mat + mat\_range + ann\_temp\_range + temp\_wet\_q + max.trt.yr + ph + base.cations.lg + pct\_n.lg + c2n.lg + live.lg.0 + year.slope.div + year.slope.dead

#### Full Averages

Source	Estimate	Std.Error	Z	p	Importance	Number of Models
(Intercept)	0.113	0.008	13.64	<0.001		
z.year.slope.dead	-0.034	0.021	1.54	0.124	0.86	58
z.live.lg.0	0.010	0.018	0.56	0.576	0.34	26
z.ann_temp_range	-0.010	0.017	0.56	0.572	0.34	21
z.pct_n.lg	0.006	0.015	0.40	0.690	0.23	14
z.mat_range	-0.004	0.012	0.33	0.741	0.17	14
z.base.cations.lg	-0.001	0.006	0.11	0.915	0.08	8
z.max.trt.yr	-0.001	0.006	0.17	0.866	0.08	7
z.mat	0.000	0.006	0.06	0.950	0.07	7
z.temp_wet_q	0.001	0.006	0.10	0.923	0.07	6
z.map	0.001	0.005	0.12	0.903	0.07	6
z.ai.lg	0.000	0.005	0.07	0.942	0.06	5
z.c2n.lg	0.000	0.004	0.02	0.985	0.05	5
z.ph	0.000	0.004	0.01	0.989	0.05	5
z.year.slope.div	0.000	0.004	0.00	0.998	0.05	5

#### Conditional Averages

Source	Estimate	Std.Error	Z	p	Importance	Number of Models
(Intercept)	0.113	0.008	13.64	<0.001		
z.year.slope.dead	-0.039	0.018	2.15	0.032	0.86	58
z.live.lg.0	0.031	0.019	1.53	0.125	0.34	26
z.ann_temp_range	-0.029	0.018	1.55	0.121	0.34	21
z.pct_n.lg	0.027	0.021	1.24	0.214	0.23	14
z.mat_range	-0.024	0.019	1.16	0.245	0.17	14
z.base.cations.lg	-0.008	0.018	0.40	0.689	0.08	8
z.max.trt.yr	-0.012	0.016	0.70	0.484	0.08	7
z.mat	0.005	0.020	0.24	0.810	0.07	7
z.temp_wet_q	0.009	0.022	0.38	0.701	0.07	6
z.map	0.010	0.018	0.52	0.602	0.07	6
z.ai.lg	0.007	0.021	0.31	0.758	0.06	5
z.c2n.lg	-0.002	0.017	0.09	0.932	0.05	5
z.ph	0.001	0.019	0.06	0.953	0.05	5
z.year.slope.div	0.000	0.017	0.01	0.991	0.05	5

### Drivers of Dead Biomass Slopes

Formula: year.slope.dead~ai.lg + map + mat + mat\_range + ann\_temp\_range + temp\_wet\_q + max.trt.yr + ph + base.cations.lg + pct\_n.lg + c2n.lg + dead.lg.0 + year.slope.live + year.slope.div

#### Full Averages

Source	Estimate	Std.Error	Z	p	Importance	Number of Models
(Intercept)	0.112	0.010	10.70	<0.001		
z.dead.lg.0	-0.102	0.032	3.15	0.002	1	54
z.max.trt.yr	-0.038	0.030	1.22	0.223	0.75	39
z.map	0.039	0.040	0.95	0.341	0.61	31
z.mat	-0.019	0.031	0.62	0.532	0.39	21
z.ann_temp_range	0.019	0.030	0.63	0.530	0.36	19
z.mat_range	0.023	0.036	0.63	0.528	0.37	18
z.year.slope.live	-0.010	0.021	0.49	0.625	0.27	16
z.ai.lg	0.008	0.044	0.18	0.861	0.22	12
z.ph	0.005	0.016	0.31	0.757	0.14	8
z.year.slope.div	-0.004	0.014	0.29	0.776	0.12	7
z.pct_n.lg	0.001	0.008	0.13	0.893	0.03	2
z.temp_wet_q	0.000	0.006	0.03	0.974	0.03	2
z.base.cations.lg	0.000	0.003	0.05	0.959	0.01	1
z.c2n.lg	0.000	0.002	0.00	0.999	0.01	1

#### Conditional Averages

Source	Estimate	Std.Error	Z	p	Importance	Number of Models
(Intercept)	0.112	0.010	10.70	<0.001		
z.dead.lg.0	-0.102	0.032	3.15	0.002	1	54
z.max.trt.yr	-0.050	0.024	1.99	0.047	0.75	39
z.map	0.064	0.033	1.89	0.059	0.61	31
z.mat	-0.050	0.030	1.60	0.109	0.39	21
z.ann_temp_range	0.052	0.026	1.89	0.059	0.36	19
z.mat_range	0.062	0.032	1.86	0.064	0.37	18
z.year.slope.live	-0.038	0.024	1.55	0.121	0.27	16
z.ai.lg	0.035	0.088	0.39	0.693	0.22	12
z.ph	0.037	0.026	1.33	0.183	0.14	8
z.year.slope.div	-0.034	0.025	1.32	0.187	0.12	7
z.pct_n.lg	0.035	0.030	1.12	0.264	0.03	2
z.temp_wet_q	0.006	0.033	0.18	0.856	0.03	2
z.base.cations.lg	0.012	0.023	0.48	0.629	0.01	1
z.c2n.lg	0.000	0.022	0.02	0.988	0.01	1

## Drivers of Diversity Slopes

Formula: year.slope.div~ai.lg + map + mat + mat\_range + ann\_temp\_range + temp\_wet\_q + max.trt.yr + ph + base.cations.lg + pct\_n.lg + c2n.lg + div.lg.0 + year.slope.live + year.slope.dead

### Full Averages

Source	Estimate	Std.Error	Z	p	Importance	Number of Models
(Intercept)	-0.178	0.020	8.60	<0.001		
z.div.lg.0	-0.133	0.042	3.05	0.002	1	65
z.max.trt.yr	0.044	0.048	0.90	0.367	0.6	37
z.ai.lg	-0.053	0.089	0.59	0.556	0.36	26
z.base.cations.lg	-0.032	0.058	0.54	0.592	0.32	21
z.pct_n.lg	0.039	0.076	0.51	0.611	0.28	18
z.ph	-0.008	0.028	0.29	0.768	0.15	13
z.map	0.015	0.049	0.31	0.759	0.15	13
z.year.slope.live	0.008	0.024	0.32	0.751	0.17	12
z.temp_wet_q	-0.003	0.018	0.19	0.848	0.09	8
z.ann_temp_range	-0.002	0.017	0.14	0.890	0.08	6
z.mat	-0.003	0.023	0.14	0.893	0.06	6
z.c2n.lg	0.004	0.017	0.21	0.838	0.08	5
z.mat_range	0.001	0.012	0.06	0.953	0.05	5
z.year.slope.dead	-0.001	0.010	0.10	0.923	0.04	3

### Conditional Averages

Source	Estimate	Std.Error	Z	p	Importance	Number of Models
(Intercept)	-0.178	0.020	8.60	<0.001		
z.div.lg.0	-0.133	0.042	3.05	0.002	1	65
z.max.trt.yr	0.073	0.040	1.73	0.084	0.6	37
z.ai.lg	-0.149	0.090	1.61	0.108	0.36	26
z.base.cations.lg	-0.100	0.062	1.56	0.120	0.32	21
z.pct_n.lg	0.141	0.081	1.69	0.090	0.28	18
z.ph	-0.055	0.050	1.05	0.292	0.15	13
z.map	0.101	0.085	1.16	0.246	0.15	13
z.year.slope.live	0.047	0.041	1.11	0.266	0.17	12
z.temp_wet_q	-0.037	0.046	0.79	0.433	0.09	8
z.ann_temp_range	-0.032	0.054	0.56	0.574	0.08	6
z.mat	-0.051	0.079	0.63	0.530	0.06	6
z.c2n.lg	0.044	0.042	0.98	0.326	0.08	5
z.mat_range	0.015	0.051	0.28	0.783	0.05	5
z.year.slope.dead	-0.025	0.045	0.54	0.593	0.04	3

**Table S6.** Effects of nutrient addition in soil fertility.**Soil N (log10 %)**

<b>Source</b>	<b>Estimate</b>	<b>Std.Error</b>	<b>DF</b>	<b>t</b>	<b>p</b>
Intercept	-0.654	0.064	33	-10.288	0.000
N	0.055	0.014	862	3.990	0.000
P	0.001	0.014	861	0.059	0.953
K	0.019	0.014	861	1.366	0.172
N*P	-0.041	0.020	861	-2.067	0.039
N*K	-0.013	0.020	861	-0.637	0.524
P*K	0.011	0.020	861	0.543	0.587
N*P*K	0.039	0.028	862	1.391	0.165

**Soil P (log10 ppm)**

<b>Source</b>	<b>Estimate</b>	<b>Std.Error</b>	<b>DF</b>	<b>t</b>	<b>p</b>
Intercept	1.471	0.070	31	20.928	<0.001
N	0.008	0.026	1009	0.292	0.771
P	0.603	0.026	1009	23.200	<0.001
K	-0.008	0.026	1009	-0.297	0.767
N*P	-0.038	0.037	1010	-1.033	0.302
N*K	-0.016	0.037	1009	-0.438	0.661
P*K	-0.001	0.037	1009	-0.020	0.984
N*P*K	0.047	0.053	1009	0.887	0.376

**Soil K (log10 ppm)**

<b>Source</b>	<b>Estimate</b>	<b>Std.Error</b>	<b>DF</b>	<b>t</b>	<b>p</b>
Intercept	2.264	0.050	40	44.951	<0.001
N	-0.007	0.016	1010	-0.459	0.646
P	-0.017	0.016	1011	-1.069	0.285
K	0.192	0.016	1010	12.036	<0.001
N*P	-0.015	0.023	1011	-0.637	0.525
N*K	-0.001	0.023	1010	-0.023	0.982
P*K	0.013	0.023	1010	0.577	0.564
N*P*K	-0.003	0.032	1010	-0.088	0.930

**Soil C (log10 %)**

Source	Estimate	Std.Error	DF	t	p
Intercept	0.475	0.063	35	7.562	<0.001
N	0.044	0.014	867	3.075	0.002
P	0.007	0.014	867	0.499	0.618
K	0.029	0.014	867	2.052	0.041
N*P	-0.045	0.020	867	-2.214	0.027
N*K	-0.024	0.020	867	-1.179	0.239
P*K	-0.005	0.020	867	-0.234	0.815
N*P*K	0.062	0.029	867	2.128	0.034

**Soil C:N (log10)**

Source	Estimate	Std.Error	DF	t	p
Intercept	1.126	0.021	19	53.945	<0.001
N	-0.011	0.006	866	-1.882	0.060
P	0.006	0.006	866	1.034	0.301
K	0.010	0.006	866	1.710	0.088
N*P	-0.004	0.009	866	-0.482	0.630
N*K	-0.011	0.009	866	-1.315	0.189
P*K	-0.016	0.009	866	-1.783	0.075
N*P*K	0.023	0.012	866	1.817	0.070

**Soil Organic Matter (log10 %)**

Source	Estimate	Std.Error	DF	t	p
Intercept	0.763	0.064	37	11.885	<0.001
N	0.059	0.014	1010	4.309	<0.001
P	0.017	0.014	1010	1.238	0.216
K	0.027	0.014	1010	1.976	0.048
N*P	-0.048	0.020	1010	-2.469	0.014
N*K	-0.024	0.019	1010	-1.243	0.214
P*K	-0.009	0.019	1010	-0.450	0.653
N*P*K	0.030	0.028	1010	1.073	0.283



**Soil pH**

<b>Source</b>	<b>Estimate</b>	<b>Std.Error</b>	<b>DF</b>	<b>t</b>	<b>p</b>
Intercept	6.146	0.154	38	40.024	<0.001
N	-0.180	0.038	1011	-4.729	<0.001
P	-0.033	0.038	1011	-0.855	0.393
K	-0.053	0.038	1011	-1.405	0.160
N*P	0.045	0.054	1011	0.818	0.413
N*K	0.008	0.054	1011	0.141	0.888
P*K	0.041	0.054	1011	0.761	0.447
N*P*K	-0.053	0.077	1011	-0.692	0.489

**Soil Base Cations (log10 ppm)**

<b>Source</b>	<b>Estimate</b>	<b>Std.Error</b>	<b>DF</b>	<b>t</b>	<b>p</b>
Intercept	3.221	0.055	38	58.893	<0.001
N	-0.012	0.012	1010	-0.984	0.325
P	0.043	0.012	1011	3.469	0.001
K	0.013	0.012	1010	1.087	0.277
N*P	-0.016	0.018	1011	-0.930	0.352
N*K	0.001	0.018	1010	0.085	0.933
P*K	0.001	0.018	1010	0.051	0.960
N*P*K	0.008	0.025	1010	0.311	0.756

**Cation Exchange Capacity (log10 meq 100 g<sup>-1</sup> soil)**

<b>Source</b>	<b>Estimate</b>	<b>Std.Error</b>	<b>DF</b>	<b>t</b>	<b>p</b>
Intercept	0.992	0.050	38	19.913	<0.001
N	0.006	0.011	1010	0.542	0.588
P	0.040	0.011	1010	3.504	<0.001
K	0.007	0.011	1010	0.589	0.556
N*P	-0.013	0.016	1010	-0.790	0.430
N*K	-0.001	0.016	1010	-0.089	0.929
P*K	0.002	0.016	1010	0.118	0.906
N*P*K	0.010	0.023	1010	0.438	0.661

**Table S7.** Sites used in analyses.

Continent	Country	Site Name	Site Pis	Experiment Duration	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation (m)	Mean Annual Precipitation (mm)	Live Biomass (g/m <sup>2</sup> )	Dead Biomass (g/m <sup>2</sup> )	Diversity (ENSPIE)	Richness (sp m <sup>-2</sup> )	Domestic Grazing
Africa	ZA	Ukulunga	Michelle Tedder; Kevin Kirkman	9	-29.67	30.40	842.50	832	508	358	5.4	16.7	FALSE
Asia	IN	Kibber (Spiti) Bogong	Mahesh Sankaran	6	32.32	78.01	4241.00	400	41	9	2.9	5.5	TRUE
Australia	AU	Burrawan	Joslin Moore; John Morgan	10	-36.87	147.25	1760.00	1678	553	109	3.2	19.3	FALSE
Australia	AU	Kinypanial	Jennifer Firn	11	-27.73	151.14	425.00	643	195	36	2.5	8.6	TRUE
Australia	AU	Mt. Caroline	John Morgan	11	-36.20	143.75	90.00	408	312	468	2.3	8.2	FALSE
Australia	AU	Pingelly Paddock	Suzanne Prober	10	-31.78	117.61	285.00	324	199	28	4.3	14.0	TRUE
Australia	AU	Pinjarra Hills	Jodi Price; Rachel Standish	5	-32.50	116.97	338.00	456	240	40	3.2	7.7	FALSE
Australia	AU	Yarramundi	John Dwyer	5	-27.53	152.92	38.00	1085	777	698	2.1	3.8	TRUE
Europe	CH	Fruebuel	Raul Ochoa Hueso; Sally Power	5	-33.61	150.73	19.00	844	199	138	2.4	5.6	FALSE
Europe	CH	Val Mustair	Sabine Güsewell; Yann Hautier; Andy Hector	7	47.11	8.54	995.00	1546	853	NA	6.6	13.9	FALSE
Europe	CH	Val Mustair	Martin Schuetz; Anita Risch	10	46.63	10.37	2320.00	681	231	32	8.7	29.4	FALSE
Europe	DE	Papenburg	Helmut Hillebrand	6	53.09	7.47	0.50	788	930	318	2.0	4.5	FALSE
Europe	FI	Kilpisjärvi	Anu Eskelinen;	5	69.06	20.87	700.00	569	207	38	8.0	26.6	FALSE
Europe	FR	CEREEP - Ecotron IDF	Risto Virtanen	6	48.28	2.66	83.00	632	506	NA	4.1	13.4	FALSE
Europe	PT	Companhia das Lezírias	Beatriz Decenciêere; Amandine Hansart	7	38.83	-8.79	200.00	564	272	21	6.7	19.9	FALSE
Europe	UK	Heronsbrook (Silwood Park)	Miguel Bugalho; Maria Caldeira Mick Crawley	5	51.41	-0.64	60.00	668	509	155	4.3	15.5	FALSE

Continent	Country	Site Name	Site Pis	Experiment Duration	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation (m)	Mean Annual Precipitation (mm)	Live Biomass (g/m <sup>2</sup> )	Dead Biomass (g/m <sup>2</sup> )	Diversity (ENSPIE)	Richness (sp m <sup>-2</sup> )	Domestic Grazing
Europe	UK	Lancaster	Carly Stevens	9	53.99	-2.63	180.00	1522	105	5	3.2	10.6	TRUE
Europe	UK	Rookery (Silwood Park)	Mick Crawley	5	51.41	-0.64	60.00	685	180	29	3.8	10.5	FALSE
North America	CA	Cowichan	Andrew MacDougall	11	48.81	-123.63	50.00	762	516	428	1.5	4.3	FALSE
North America	CA	Koffler Scientific Reserve at Joker's Hill	Marc Cadotte; Arthur Weiss	8	44.02	-79.54	301.00	853	544	200	3.8	10.0	FALSE
North America	US	Boulder South Campus	Brett Melbourne; Kendi Davies	8	39.97	-105.23	1633.00	487	91	103	3.0	8.3	FALSE
North America	US	Bunchgrass (Andrews LTER)	Elizabeth Borer; Eric Seabloom	11	44.28	-121.97	1318.08	1618	248	92	4.2	8.6	FALSE
North America	US	Cedar Creek LTER	Johannes Knops	11	45.43	-93.21	270.00	740	175	211	3.9	9.5	FALSE
North America	US	Cedar Point Biological Station	Kirsten Hofmockel; Lori Biederman; W. Harpole; Lauren Sullivan	11	41.20	-101.63	965.00	456	163	89	4.4	11.5	FALSE
North America	US	Chichaqua Bottoms	Elizabeth Borer; Adam Kay; W. Harpole; Eric Seabloom	9	41.79	-93.39	275.00	871	449	513	3.1	9.1	FALSE
North America	US	Doane College Spring Creek	Ramesh Laungani	5	40.70	-96.85	418.19	739	363	383	2.6	4.9	FALSE
North America	US	Prairie Elliott	Elsa Cleland	11	32.88	-117.05	200.00	344	302	147	3.3	8.6	FALSE
North America	US	Chaparral Hall's Prairie	Jim Nelson; Rebecca McCulley	7	36.87	-86.70	193.60	1289	528	279	2.6	5.2	FALSE
North America	US	Hart Mountain	Nicole DeCrappeo; David Pyke	5	42.72	-119.50	1508.00	259	74	13	4.4	9.7	FALSE

Continent	Country	Site Name	Site Pis	Experiment Duration	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation (m)	Mean Annual Precipitation (mm)	Live Biomass (g/m <sup>2</sup> )	Dead Biomass (g/m <sup>2</sup> )	Diversity (ENSPIE)	Richness (sp m <sup>-2</sup> )	Domestic Grazing
North America	US	Hopland REC	W. Harpole; Eric Seabloom; Elizabeth Borer	11	39.01	-123.06	598.30	1065	227	156	6.5	17.6	FALSE
North America	US	Konza LTER	Kimberly La Pierre; Melinda Smith	11	39.07	-96.58	440.00	889	469	223	4.3	14.8	FALSE
North America	US	Lookout (Andrews LTER)	Eric Seabloom; Elizabeth Borer	11	44.21	-122.13	1500.49	1877	242	97	3.6	6.8	FALSE
North America	US	McLaughlin UCNRS	W. Harpole; Eric Seabloom; Elizabeth Borer	11	38.86	-122.41	641.80	936	272	227	3.3	7.6	FALSE
North America	US	Sagehen Creek UCNRS	Daniel Gruner; Louie Yang	6	39.43	-120.24	1920.00	831	127	59	5.3	12.9	FALSE
North America	US	Saline Experimental Range	Kimberly La Pierre; Melinda Smith	8	39.05	-99.10	440.00	608	244	358	4.0	10.8	FALSE
North America	US	Savannah River	Lars Brudvig; Ellen Damschen; John Orrock	5	33.34	-81.65	71.00	1184	92	274	4.0	9.4	FALSE
North America	US	Sedgwick Reserve UCNRS	Eric Seabloom; W. Harpole; Elizabeth Borer; Carla D'Antonio	10	34.70	-120.02	550.00	478	356	414	1.9	5.7	FALSE
North America	US	Sevilleta LTER	Scott Collins; Laura Ladwig	7	34.36	-106.69	1600.00	252	59	NA	3.2	7.7	FALSE
North America	US	Sheep Experimental Station	Dana Blumenthal; Julia Klein; Cynthia Brown; Alan Knapp	9	44.24	-112.20	910.00	246	154	NA	4.9	16.5	TRUE
North America	US	Shortgrass Steppe LTER	Peter Adler	11	40.82	-104.77	1650.00	369	150	30	2.9	8.1	FALSE

Continent	Country	Site Name	Site Pis	Experiment Duration	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation (m)	Mean Annual Precipitation (mm)	Live Biomass (g/m <sup>2</sup> )	Dead Biomass (g/m <sup>2</sup> )	Diversity (ENSPIE)	Richness (sp m <sup>-2</sup> )	Domestic Grazing
North America	US	Sierra Foothills REC	W. Harpole; Eric Seabloom; Elizabeth Borer	11	39.24	-121.28	197.20	936	308	177	3.3	7.9	FALSE
North America	US	Smith Prairie	Janneke Hille Ris Lambers; Jonathan Bakker	8	48.21	-122.62	62.00	605	378	137	5.8	20.7	FALSE
North America	US	Spindletop	Jim Nelson; Rebecca McCulley	11	38.14	-84.50	271.30	1152	402	21	4.1	10.1	FALSE
North America	US	Temple	Philip Fay	9	31.04	-97.35	184.00	877	509	NA	6.1	12.3	FALSE
North America	US	Trelease	Andrew Leakey; Xiaohui Feng	9	40.08	-88.83	200.00	992	1003	387	2.9	4.6	FALSE
South America	AR	Las Chilcas	Enrique Chaneton; Laura Yahdjian	6	-36.28	-58.27	15.00	955	720	412	2.9	8.4	FALSE
South America	AR	Mar Chiquita	Juan Alberti; Pedro Daleo	7	-37.72	-57.42	6.00	907	686	582	2.7	10.9	FALSE

**Table S8.** Author Contributions  
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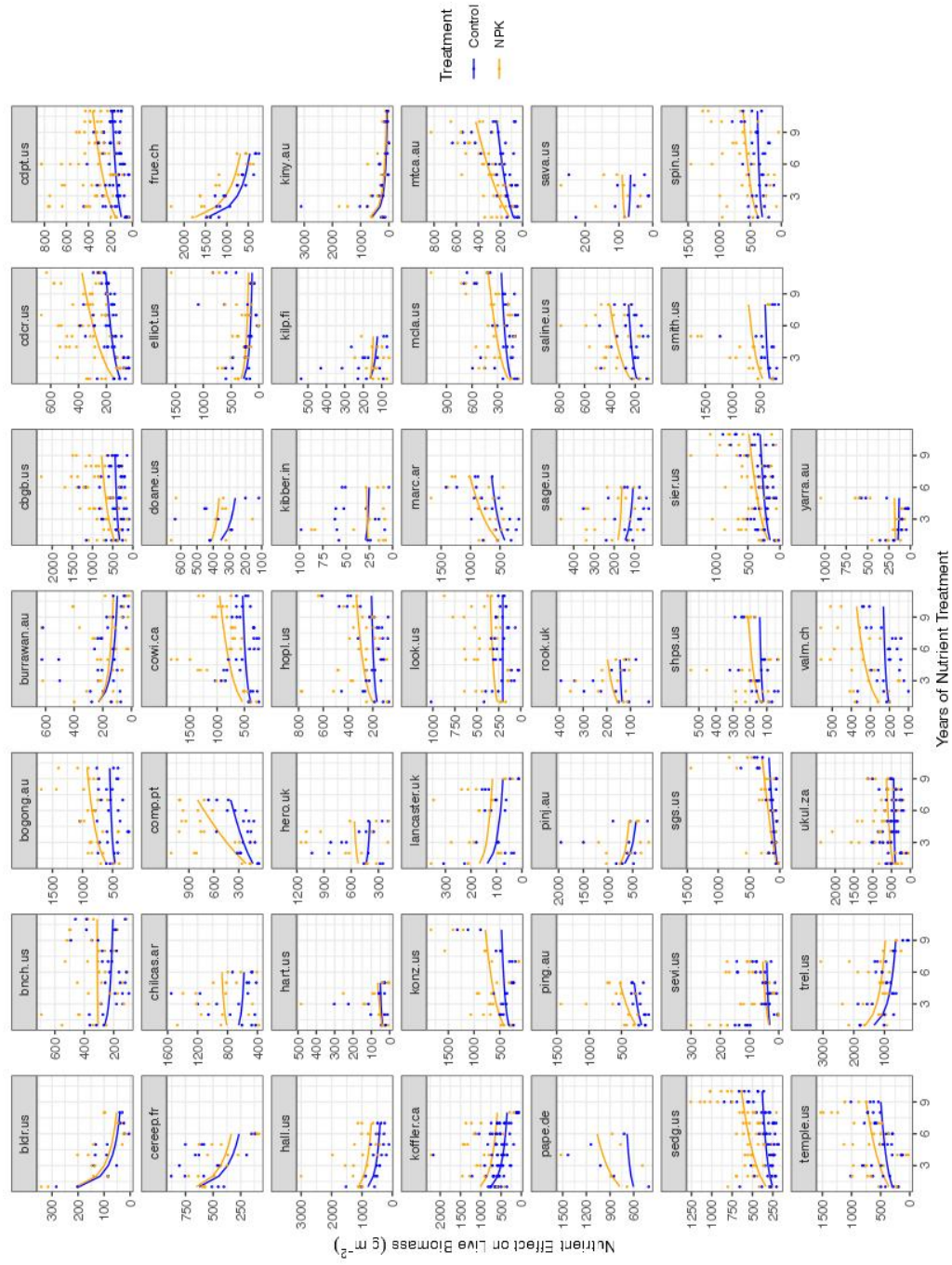
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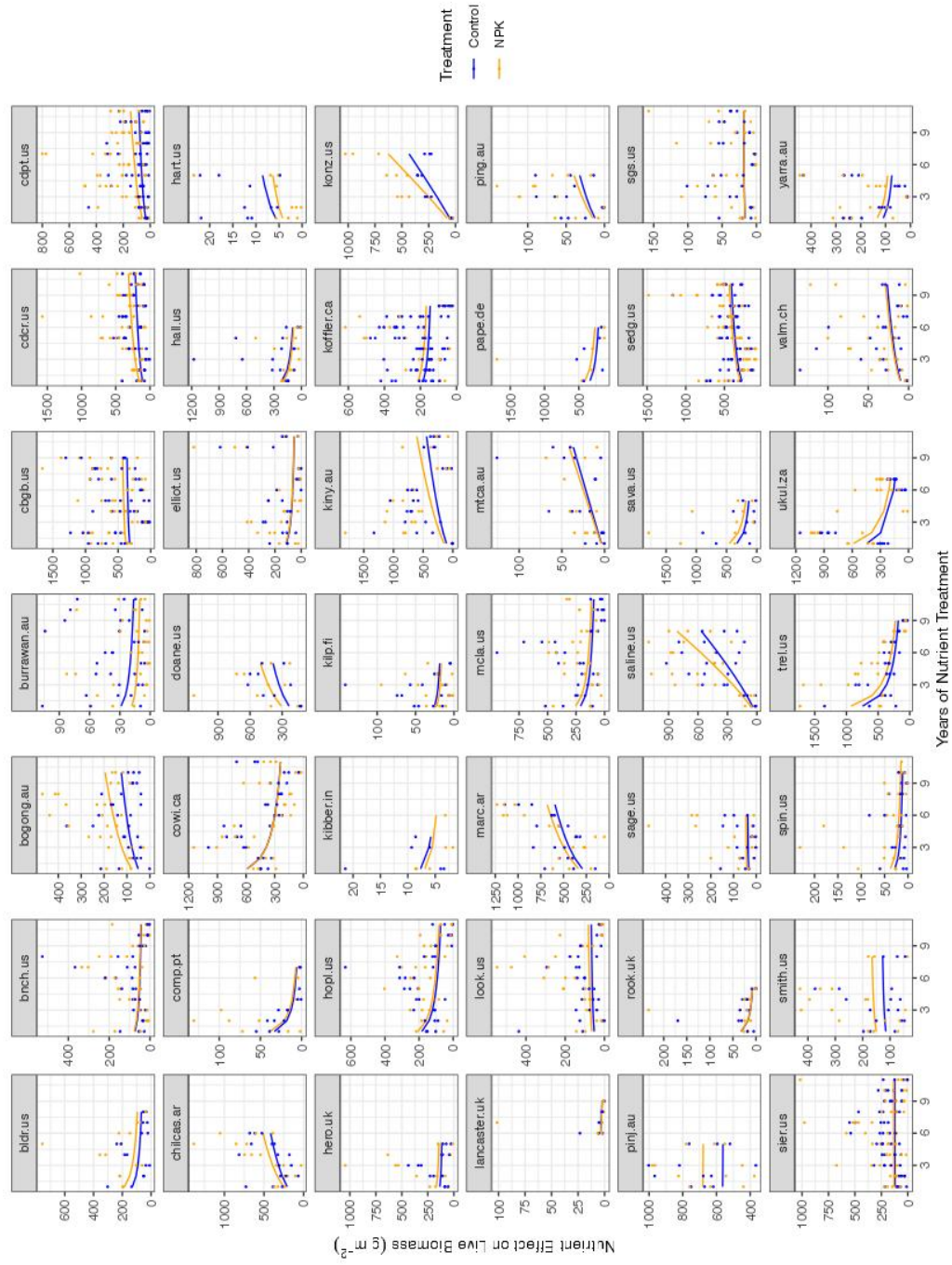
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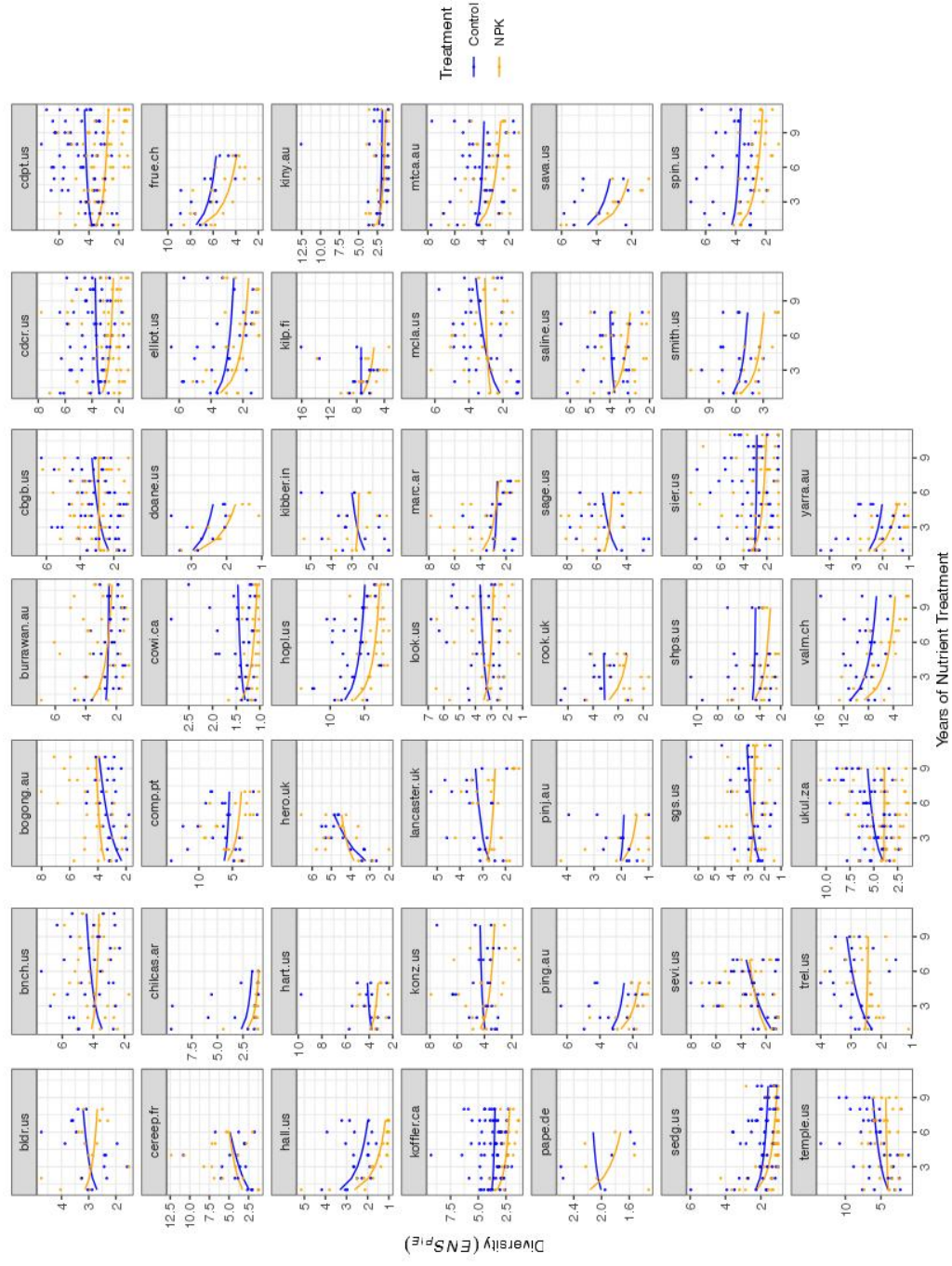
**Figure S1.** Effect of nutrient enrichment on live aboveground plant biomass in grassland ecosystems. Models were fit using  $\log_{10}$  (Treatment/Control) versus  $\log_{10}$ (Number of Years of Treatment), and back-transformed for plotting as the difference between Treatment and Control plots. Site descriptions are available in Table S7.



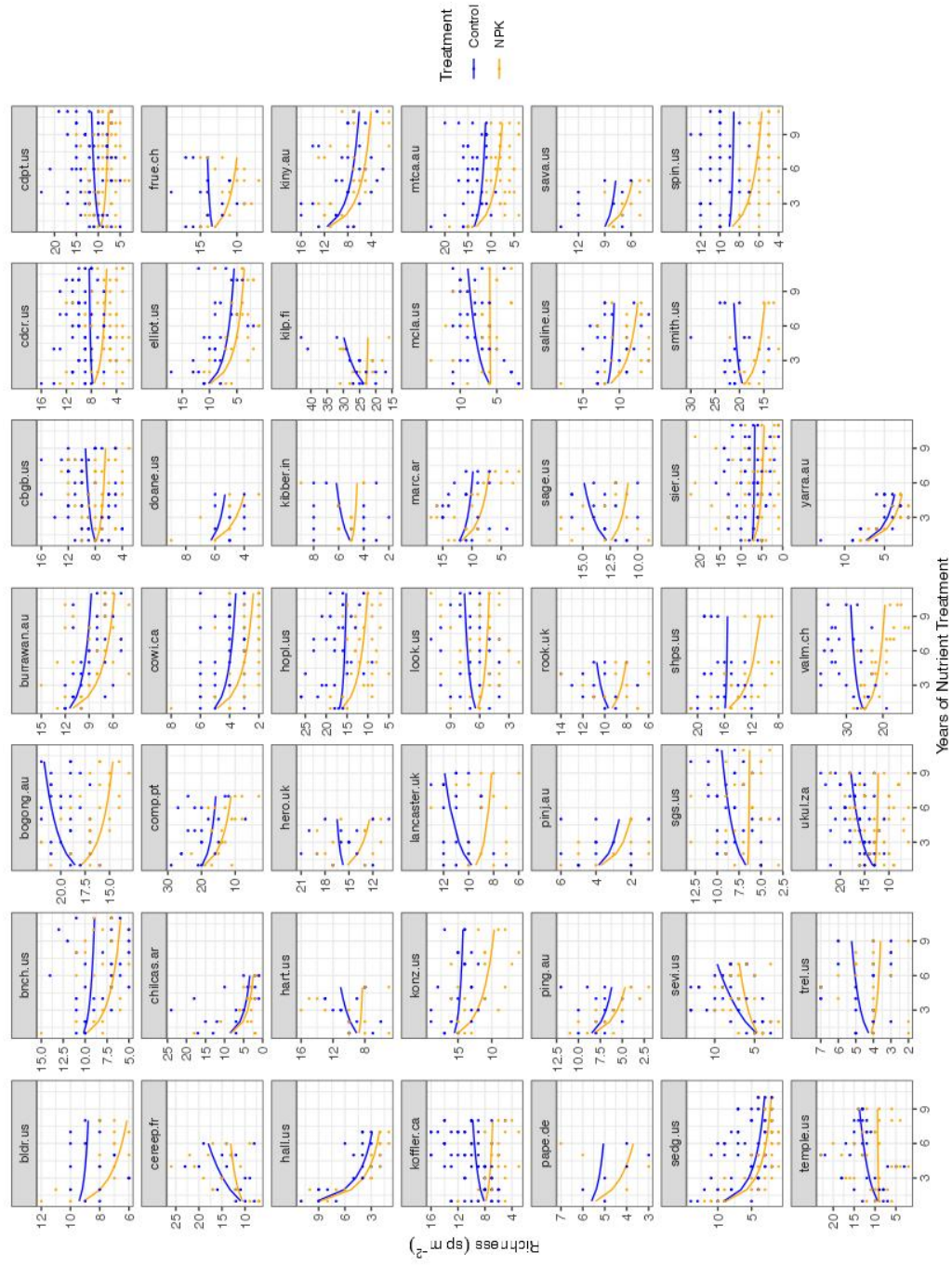
**Figure S2.** Effect of nutrient enrichment on dead aboveground plant biomass in grassland ecosystems. Models were fit using  $\log_{10}$  (Treatment/Control) versus  $\log_{10}$  (Number of Years of Treatment), and back-transformed for plotting as the difference between Treatment and Control plots. Site descriptions are available in Table S7.



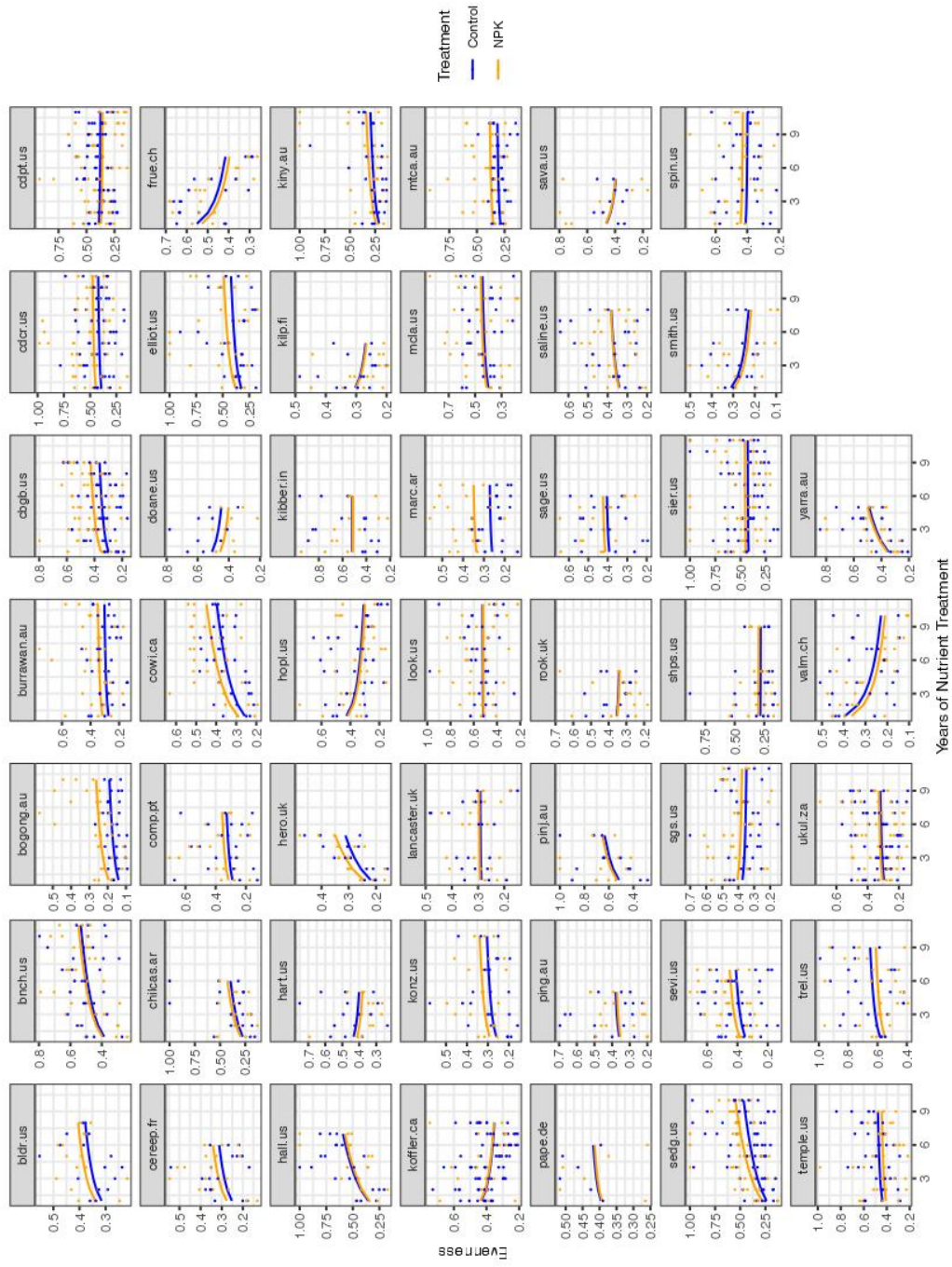
**Figure S3.** Effects of nutrient enrichment on diversity ( $ENS_{PIE}$ ) in grassland ecosystems. Models were fit using  $\log_{10}(\text{Treatment/Control})$  versus  $\log_{10}(\text{Number of Years of Treatment})$ , and back-transformed for plotting as the difference between Treatment and Control plots. Site descriptions are available in Table S7.



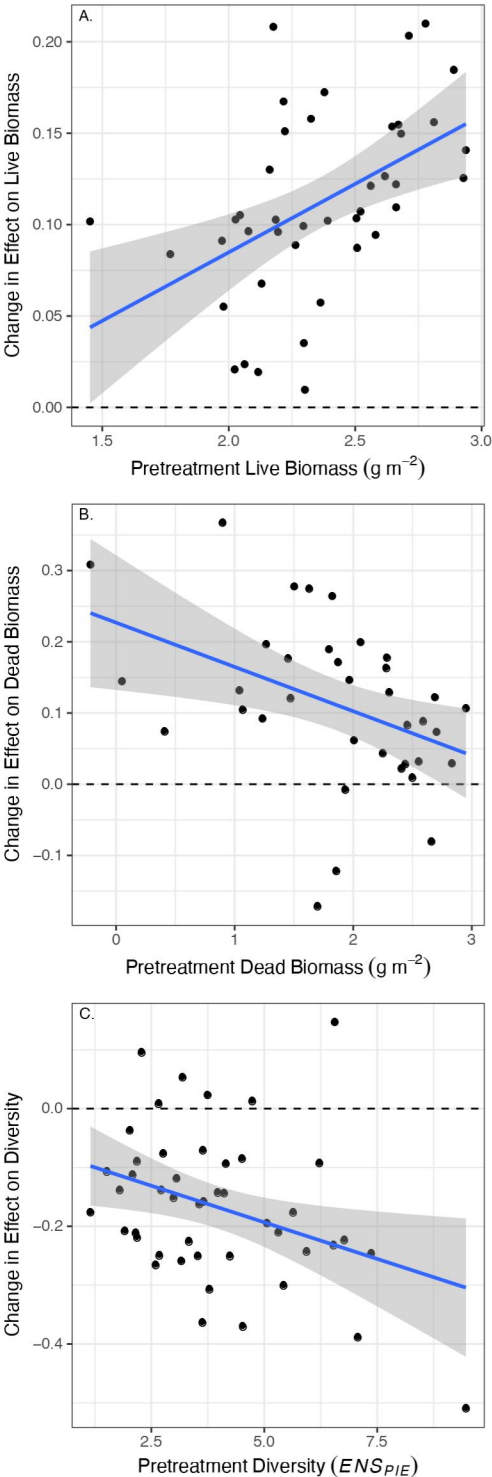
**Figure S4.** Effects of nutrient enrichment on richness ( $S$ , species  $m^{-2}$ ) in grassland ecosystems. Models were fit using  $\log_{10}(\text{Treatment}/\text{Control})$  versus  $\log_{10}(\text{Number of Years of Treatment})$ , and back-transformed for plotting as the difference between Treatment and Control plots. Site descriptions are available in Table S7.



**Figure S5.** Effects of nutrient enrichment on evenness ( $ENS_{PIE} S^{-1}$ ) in grassland ecosystems. Models were fit using  $\log_{10}(\text{Treatment}/\text{Control})$  versus  $\log_{10}(\text{Number of Years of Treatment})$ , and back-transformed for plotting as the difference between Treatment and Control plots. Site descriptions are available in Table S7.



**Figure S6.** Effects of pre-treatment conditions on the slope of the nutrient effect on live biomass, dead biomass, and plant diversity.



**Figure S7.** Effects of nutrient addition treatments on soil chemistry. Error bars indicate 1 standard error (SE) among site means for each treatment. Parameter estimates and standard errors for all treatment effects are shown in Table S6.

