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29 **Abstract:**

30 Across plants and animals, host-associated microbial communities play fundamental roles
31 in host nutrition, development, and immunity. The factors that shape host-microbiome
32 interactions are poorly understood, yet essential for understanding the evolution and
33 ecology of these symbioses. Plant roots assemble two distinct microbial compartments
34 from surrounding soil – the rhizosphere (microbes surrounding roots) and the endosphere
35 (microbes within roots). Root-associated microbes were key for the evolution of land
36 plants and underlie fundamental ecosystem processes. However, it is largely unknown
37 how plant evolution has shaped root microbial communities, and in turn, how these
38 microbes affect plant ecology, such as the ability to mitigate biotic and abiotic stressors.
39 Here we show that variation among 30 angiosperm species, which have diverged for up
40 to 140 million years, affects root bacterial diversity and composition. Greater similarity in
41 root microbiomes between hosts leads to negative effects on plant performance through
42 soil feedback, with specific microbial taxa in the endosphere and rhizosphere potentially
43 affecting competitive interactions among plant species. Drought also shifts the
44 composition of root microbiomes, most notably by increasing the relative abundance of
45 the Actinobacteria. However, this drought response varies across host plant species and
46 host-specific changes in the relative abundance of endosphere *Streptomyces* are
47 associated with host drought tolerance. Our results emphasize the causes of variation in
48 root microbiomes and their ecological importance for plant performance in response to
49 biotic and abiotic stressors.

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51 **Significance:**

52 Microbial communities living on and within plants and animals contribute to host
53 function. How host evolution shapes associated microbial communities, and in turn, how
54 these microbes affect the ecology of their hosts is relatively unknown. Here, we
55 demonstrate that evolution occurring across plant species affects root microbial diversity
56 and composition. Greater similarity in root microbiota among host plant species leads to
57 reduced plant performance through negative soil-feedbacks. Additionally, drought shifts
58 the composition of root microbiomes, where changes in the relative abundance of specific
59 bacterial taxa are associated with increased drought tolerance of plants. Our work
60 highlights the potential role of host-associated microbial communities in mediating
61 interactions between hosts and their biotic and abiotic environment.

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64 The discovery that macroscopic organisms host unique assemblages of
65 microorganisms has the potential to transform our understanding of ecology and
66 evolution (1). In plants and animals, associated microbiomes contribute to host nutrition,
67 development, and immunity (2-4), yet how they scale up to influence host ecological
68 function and performance is largely unknown. For example, associated microbiota may
69 alter the interactions between hosts and their environment. Here, we address how host
70 plant evolution over macroevolutionary timescales shapes the assembly of root
71 microbiomes, and in turn, how root microbiota mitigate biotic and abiotic environmental
72 stressors experienced by host plants.

73 Land plants have formed symbioses with microorganisms since their colonization
74 of terrestrial environments (5). Interactions between plants and microbes continue to
75 benefit plants by increasing the acquisition of nutrients, producing growth hormones, and
76 defending against enemies (6). Root microbiota can also reduce plant performance by
77 competing for limited nutrients and attacking plants as pathogens (7). Recent work (8, 9)
78 shows that plant roots assemble two distinct microbial compartments (i.e., microbiomes)
79 from the pool of soil microbial diversity – the rhizosphere (microbes surrounding roots)
80 and the endosphere (microbes within roots). Root microbiome assembly is a multistep
81 process shaped by both soil type and host differences (6, 10). However, our
82 understanding of how variation among host species shapes endosphere and rhizosphere
83 assembly remains limited (6, 11-13), yet is essential for understanding how root
84 microbiota contribute to the ecology and performance of their hosts.

85 Plants must contend with numerous environmental stressors throughout their
86 lifetime. Competition between plants for shared resources is an important biotic stressor

87 shaping both ecological and evolutionary outcomes (14, 15). Soil microbes have long
88 been recognized as key components to plant competition (16, 17). For example, plants
89 can indirectly compete with one another through recruitment of soil microbes (18), where
90 microbial recruitment by one plant can feed back to affect the performance of a second
91 plant. Competitive interactions among plant species mediated by these so-called “plant-
92 soil feedbacks” (PSF) are known to affect fundamental terrestrial ecosystem processes
93 such as community assembly and succession, plant invasions, and primary productivity
94 (19-22). The biotic drivers of PSF are not well understood but likely include the
95 recruitment of assemblages of root microbiota across host plant species.

96 Drought represents one of the most important abiotic stressors that plants face in
97 both natural and managed systems, negatively affecting plant growth and productivity
98 worldwide (23-25). Due to their sessile nature, plants must employ a broad repertoire of
99 phenotypic mechanisms to mitigate drought stress including life-history, morphological,
100 physiological, and molecular changes (26, 27). Emerging evidence suggests that soil
101 microbes may play an important yet poorly understood role in plant drought tolerance.
102 For example, soil microbes can intercept hormones in plants leading to a dampened stress
103 response to drought (28, 29), and drought-induced shifts in soil microbial communities
104 can reduce the negative fitness effects of drought (30). Recent work shows that drought
105 also shifts the composition of root microbial communities in numerous grass species (31,
106 32). However, whether variation in the diversity or composition of host plant root
107 microbiota contributes to plant drought tolerance is unknown.

108 Here, we perform a comparative root microbiome study, characterizing the
109 assembly of the endosphere and rhizosphere compartments of the root microbiome across

110 phylogenetically diverse angiosperm species. We coupled our comparative study with
111 manipulative experiments to understand the ecological function of the root microbiome.
112 Specifically, we investigated how the root microbiome across a diverse set of host plant
113 species mitigates biotic and abiotic stressors (*SI Appendix*, Fig. S1). Our study sought to
114 answer four questions: 1) How do endosphere and rhizosphere microbiomes differ in
115 diversity and composition across 30 phylogenetically diverse host plant species? 2) Does
116 evolutionary divergence among host plant species affect the assembly of the endosphere
117 and rhizosphere microbiome? 3) Does variation in the root microbiome between host
118 plant species affect indirect competitive interactions between plant species via plant-soil
119 feedbacks? 4) Does the root microbiome influence drought tolerance across host plant
120 species? Our results provide some of the first evidence of how evolution over long
121 timescales shapes the root microbiome, and how root microbiota influence plant
122 performance in response to variation in biotic and abiotic components of the
123 environment.

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125 **Results**

126 **Endosphere and rhizosphere microbiomes differ in diversity and composition across**
127 **host plant species.** We grew 30 plant species that have diverged for up to 140 MYR (Fig.
128 1A, *SI Appendix*, Table S1). Plants were grown from surface-sterile seeds in a live soil
129 inoculum collected from a naturalized field site where all species co-occur (Koffler
130 Scientific Reserve, ON, Canada). We measured a suite of morphological, physiological
131 and performance traits from every plant (N = 10/species, *SI Appendix*, Table S2). After
132 16 weeks, we partitioned root samples from each plant into endosphere and rhizosphere

133 compartments (8, 9), extracted total DNA, and characterized the bacterial community by
134 sequencing the V4 region of the 16S rRNA gene using Illumina MiSeq (*SI Appendix*, Fig.
135 S1). We assembled quality-filtered reads into error-corrected amplicon sequence variants
136 (ASVs) using DADA2 v.1.4.0 (33), which represent unique bacterial taxa. We analyzed
137 the effects of host plant species and root compartment on the diversity and composition
138 of bacterial communities, as well as the abundance of individual bacterial taxa.

139 Across plant species, the rhizosphere exhibited higher diversity and greater
140 evenness in abundance than the endosphere (Simpson's D^{-1} mean \pm standard error (SE):
141 rhizosphere, 202 ± 1.8 , endosphere, 38 ± 8.2 , $F_{1,56} = 64.62$, $P < 0.001$; evenness:
142 rhizosphere, 0.32 ± 0.01 , endosphere, 0.13 ± 0.01 , $F_{1,56} = 73.89$, $P < 0.001$; Fig. 1A, *SI*
143 *Appendix*, Fig. S2 and Table S3). We quantified microbiome community composition
144 using weighted UniFrac distances with principal coordinates analysis and found clear
145 differences in the composition of endosphere and rhizosphere compartments (*SI*
146 *Appendix*, Fig. S3 and Table S4). Nearly 90% of bacterial phyla and 55% of bacterial
147 ASVs exhibited significant differential abundance between endosphere and rhizosphere
148 compartments (GLM: $P_{\text{FDR}} < 0.05$ after FDR correction, *SI Appendix*, Fig. S4A). In the
149 endosphere, Actinobacteria and Bacteroidetes exhibited higher relative abundance, while
150 Acidobacteria were significantly reduced (Fig. 1B). Additionally, we found a higher
151 number of ASVs that were unique to the endosphere (65 ASVs), versus those that were
152 only found in the rhizosphere (46 ASVs) or live bulk soil (8 ASVs) (*SI Appendix*, Fig.
153 S5).

154 Our comparative framework uncovered larger effects of host plant species on
155 endosphere than rhizosphere compartments (Fig. 1C, 1D, *SI Appendix*, Fig. S6, S7, and

156 Table S3, S4). Host species varied much more in their endosphere (Simpson's D^{-1} range:
157 6-87; SE: 8.2) than rhizosphere diversity (range: 111-315; SE: 1.8; Levene's test: $F_{1,58} =$
158 18.55, $P < 0.001$; Fig. 1C, *SI Appendix*, Table S3). Similarly, host plant species explained
159 40% of the total variation in endosphere composition (PERMANOVA: pseudo- $F_{1,29} =$
160 7.57, $P < 0.001$), but only 17% in rhizosphere composition (PERMANOVA: pseudo- $F_{1,29}$
161 = 1.90, $P < 0.001$). Consequently, large proportions of bacterial taxa at all taxonomic
162 ranks in the endosphere varied significantly in abundance among host plant species
163 (bacterial phyla: 65%; ASVs: 12%), whereas far fewer taxa in the rhizosphere were
164 affected (bacterial phyla: 19%; ASVs: 1%) (GLM: $P_{\text{FDR}} < 0.05$; Fig. S4D). Additionally,
165 only a fraction of the responsive bacterial taxa in the endosphere were also influenced by
166 host plant species in the rhizosphere (bacterial phyla: 36%; ASVs: 17%). Several phyla in
167 particular were strongly affected by variation among host plant species, including
168 Proteobacteria, Actinobacteria, and Bacteroidetes (GLM: $P_{\text{FDR}} < 0.05$; Fig. 1D). Across
169 host plant species, we found little correlation between endosphere and rhizosphere
170 diversity (Simpson's D^{-1} : $r = 0.06$, $P = 0.09$), despite a significant correlation between
171 endosphere and rhizosphere community composition (weighted UniFrac distances: r_{Mantel}
172 = 0.26, $P = 0.04$). Finally, we identified 133 endosphere and 334 rhizosphere ASVs
173 found in all host plant species (*SI Appendix*, Dataset S1), suggesting the existence of a
174 prevalent core microbial assemblage despite tremendous variability occurring among host
175 plant species. 59% of these ASVs in the endosphere and 40% in the rhizosphere that
176 make up the core microbiome were found at intermediate (2-3 individuals/host species)
177 or high prevalence (5 individuals/host species).

178 **Evolutionary divergence among host plant species affects the assembly of the**
179 **endosphere and rhizosphere microbiome.** To understand how plant evolution has
180 shaped root microbial communities, we tested whether close relatives share similar
181 endosphere and rhizosphere microbiomes. Microbial diversity in the endosphere
182 (Blomberg's $K = 1.08$, $P = 0.001$), but not the rhizosphere (Blomberg's $K = 0.67$, $P =$
183 0.94), exhibited significant phylogenetic signal (Fig. 1C and *SI Appendix*, Table S6). We
184 used Mantel tests of phylogenetic relatedness versus root microbial community similarity
185 among plant species to understand whether plant evolution shapes the community
186 composition of the root microbiome. Again, endosphere similarity ($r_{\text{Mantel}} = 0.15$, $P =$
187 0.004), but not rhizosphere ($r_{\text{Mantel}} = 0.05$, $P = 0.15$), was positively correlated with
188 phylogenetic relatedness between plant species (Fig. 1D and *SI Appendix*, Table S7). We
189 used phylogenetic generalized least-squares regression (PGLS) to investigate the
190 relationship between experimentally measured plant traits and root microbial diversity
191 and composition (*SI Appendix*, Table S8). Root microbial diversity was associated with
192 numerous host plant traits, however the importance of individual traits varied between
193 endosphere and rhizosphere compartments (*SI Appendix*, Table S8). Endosphere diversity
194 was positively associated with increasing root hair density, while rhizosphere diversity
195 was positively associated with host plant productivity and negatively associated with root
196 length (PGLS: $P_{\text{FDR}} < 0.05$). Endosphere and rhizosphere composition were also
197 associated with numerous plant traits including host plant productivity, physiology, and
198 root architectural traits (*SI Appendix*, Table S8; PGLS: $P_{\text{FDR}} < 0.05$).

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200 **Variation in the root microbiome between host plant species affects indirect**
201 **competitive interactions between plant species via plant-soil feedbacks.** Using a
202 multi-generation plant-soil feedback experiment, we investigated how patterns of root
203 microbial recruitment among host plant species can feed back to affect competitive
204 interactions (*SI Appendix*, Fig. S1). In the first generation, we grew each of the 30 plant
205 species in a homogenous soil mixture collected from the same field site as our
206 comparative microbiome study. In the second generation, we grew replicate individuals
207 of 5 focal species, representative of our host plant phylogenetic diversity, in bulk and
208 rhizosphere soil collected and preserved from each of the 30 plant species from the
209 previous generation. The net effect of soil conditioning in the first generation on plant
210 performance in the second generation is the plant-soil feedback (PSF). PSF can be caused
211 by modification to both biotic and abiotic soil properties including the alteration of soil
212 bacterial communities as well as the depletion of soil nutrients. We calculated the PSF as:
213 $\log_e ((\text{focal species biomass in heterospecific soil})/(\text{focal species biomass in conspecific}$
214 $\text{soil}))$; positive values indicate that a focal species performed better in soil conditioned by
215 a different species from the focal plant relative to soil conditioned by the same species as
216 the focal plant, whereas negative values indicate the opposite (34). We observed strong
217 positive and negative soil feedback occurring among pairs of plant species.

218 We sought to understand how root microbiota assembled by different plant
219 species contributes to their experimentally measured PSF (Fig. 2A). We correlated the
220 root microbiome similarity (weighted and unweighted UniFrac distances) between host
221 plant species with their PSF measured in our multi-generation experiment. Remarkably,
222 the effect of inoculation with soil conditioned by heterospecific plants depended on the

223 degree of similarity between the root microbiomes assembled by the focal and soil-
224 conditioning plant species. On average, highly dissimilar microbiomes had more positive
225 effects on focal plant growth than highly similar ones (Fig. 2B, 2C, and *SI Appendix*, Fig.
226 S8). This pattern was consistent for both the endosphere and rhizosphere, though
227 depended on the particular measure of community similarity used.

228 Next, we investigated how specific bacterial taxa contributed to the effect of the
229 root microbiome on PSF. First, we used generalized linear models to calculate the log₂-
230 fold change (i.e. doublings) of each taxon abundance between all pairs of focal and soil-
231 conditioning host plant species (35). We identified bacterial taxa across all taxonomic
232 ranks that exhibited significant differential abundance across host plant species in either
233 the endosphere or rhizosphere (e.g. Fig. 3A, 3B). We correlated the differential
234 abundance between host plant species of each bacterial taxon with the experimentally
235 measured host plant pairs' PSF (*SI Appendix*, Dataset S2).

236 Numerous bacterial taxa were strongly associated with positive and negative PSF
237 occurring between plant species (hereafter, PSF-related taxa), including a number of
238 endosphere and rhizosphere ASVs found across all host species (representative taxa
239 shown in Fig. 3C, 3D; for full list see *SI Appendix*, Dataset S2). Differential abundance of
240 particular ASVs explained up to 15% of the total variation in the measured PSF between
241 host plant species (e.g. Fig. 3C, and *SI Appendix*, Dataset S2). Though bacterial phyla
242 such as Proteobacteria, Bacteroidetes, and Actinobacteria are well represented in the list
243 of PSF-related taxa in both the endosphere and rhizosphere, we found little overlap at
244 lower taxonomic ranks (*SI Appendix*, Dataset S2). In general, when the abundance of a
245 bacterial taxon in the focal host species was less than the soil-conditioner host species,

246 we observed enhanced growth of the focal plant. By contrast, when the abundance of the
247 bacterial taxon was greater in the focal host species than the soil-conditioner plant
248 species, we observed reduced growth of the focal plant (e.g. Fig. 3D and *SI Appendix*,
249 Dataset S2: r values < 0 , unshaded rows). However, we noticed that for some microbial
250 taxa the association was reversed (e.g. Fig. 3C and *SI Appendix*, Dataset S2: r values > 0 ,
251 blue-shaded rows). Furthermore, of the microbial taxa significantly related to PSF, a
252 greater proportion in the endosphere (35% of taxa) versus the rhizosphere (12% of taxa)
253 exhibited this opposite association (Fig. 3E, 3F; Fisher's exact test for the difference in
254 proportion: $P = 0.01$; *SI Appendix*, Dataset S2: r values > 0 , blue-shaded rows).

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256 **The root microbiome is associated with drought tolerance across host plant species.**

257 During our comparative root microbiome study we imposed a chronic drought treatment
258 on replicate individuals from each host plant species, which resulted in a 4-fold
259 difference in soil moisture compared to well-watered control plants. We investigated how
260 this abiotic stressor affects the diversity and composition of the root microbiome across
261 30 host plant species. We also included pots without plants that were filled with the same
262 soil mixture in each watering treatment and identically treated, non-living structures
263 (bamboo toothpicks) that were analogous to plant roots (9). Comparing the bacterial
264 communities in living roots to non-living root analogues allowed us to understand the
265 host-mediated effects of drought on the root microbiome.

266 Drought reduced microbial diversity in the endosphere and rhizosphere by 15%
267 and 27%, respectively ($F_{1,53} = 5.56$, $P_{\text{FDR}} = 0.06$; Fig. 4A). Drought also caused large
268 changes in bacterial community composition (Fig. 4B, 4C, and *SI Appendix*, Table S3).

269 Surprisingly, the effect of drought was stronger on the endosphere than the rhizosphere
270 microbiome, suggesting large indirect effects of drought through changes in host plant
271 physiology or immune status (26, 27, 36). Consistent with this result, drought caused
272 changes in the relative abundance of 65% of bacterial phyla in the endosphere versus
273 only 43% in the rhizosphere (GLM: $P_{\text{FDR}} < 0.05$; *SI Appendix*, Fig. S4C). In particular,
274 the abundance of Actinobacteria in the drought endosphere increased over 2-fold,
275 whereas the abundance of Proteobacteria decreased nearly 2.5-fold (GLM: $P_{\text{FDR}} < 0.05$;
276 Fig. 4B and *SI Appendix*, Fig. S9 and Dataset S3). However, host plants varied in the
277 magnitude of the shift in their endosphere microbiome during drought (drought X host
278 species: $\chi^2 = 7.15$, $P_{\text{FDR}} = 0.03$, *SI Appendix*, Table S4), which included the
279 enrichment/depletion of bacteria found in well-watered plants and the recruitment of new
280 taxa into their roots (*SI Appendix*, Fig. S5, S7). The drought-induced changes in the
281 microbiota of living plant roots were distinct from those occurring in the microbiota of
282 root analogues and soil (*SI Appendix*, Fig. S15, Table S9, Dataset S3).

283 We sought to understand whether drought-induced shifts in the root microbiome
284 were related to drought tolerance across plant species. This question was motivated by
285 the prediction that plastic responses in the root microbiome may maintain host functions
286 and ultimately plant fitness in response to stress (37, 38). We measured drought tolerance
287 as the proportional difference in total biomass between drought and well-watered
288 conditions. On average, plants exhibited a 35% reduction in total biomass in response to
289 drought, however species varied between an 80% reduction to a 127% increase in
290 biomass in response to drought (Fig. 5A and *SI Appendix*, Fig. S10). We found no
291 evidence of phylogenetic signal in drought tolerance across the plant phylogeny. Changes

292 in overall root microbiome composition or diversity under drought were not associated
293 with drought tolerance. However, coarse estimates of overall composition have a poor
294 ability to detect the ecological effects of particular bacterial clades or ASVs.

295 To further examine whether the root microbiome affects drought tolerance, we
296 investigated how individual bacterial taxa were related to drought tolerance across plant
297 species. First, for each host plant species, we used generalized linear models to calculate
298 the log₂-fold change of each drought-responsive taxon between watering treatments (35).
299 We identified bacterial taxa at all taxonomic ranks in the endosphere and rhizosphere that
300 were differentially abundant between well-watered and drought conditions. Next, we
301 correlated patterns of differential abundance for each bacterial taxon with drought
302 tolerance across host plant species. We detected two striking results. First, the
303 Streptomycetaceae (all ASVs combined, three of which were found in the endosphere of
304 every host plant species), exhibited a 3-fold increase abundance within the endosphere,
305 but not rhizosphere, under drought (*SI Appendix*, Fig. S11). However, the magnitude of
306 Streptomycetaceae enrichment varied between 0 to 4-fold across plant species (Fig. 5B
307 and *SI Appendix*, Fig. S13). Second, the relative enrichment of one *Streptomyces* ASV,
308 found in the endosphere of every host plant in the experiment, explained nearly 40% of
309 the variation in drought tolerance among host plant species (Fig. 5C and *SI Appendix*,
310 Dataset S4). A number of other endosphere taxa exhibited strong correlations ($r > 0.4$)
311 with host drought tolerance, including another *Streptomyces* ASV at high host prevalence
312 (*SI Appendix*, Dataset S4). However, with the exception of the *Streptomyces* ASV
313 depicted in Fig. 5C, these correlations were non-significant after multiple test correction
314 (*SI Appendix*, Dataset S4). Importantly, after examination of the non-living wood

315 samples, all of the endosphere ASVs related to drought tolerance in living roots were not
316 enriched in the endosphere of these root analogues under drought (*SI Appendix, Dataset*
317 *S3*).

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319 **Discussion**

320 We demonstrate that plant evolution over long timescales shapes root microbiome
321 assembly, which in turn influences how host plants respond to biotic and abiotic
322 environmental stressors. Our results successfully address our four research questions.
323 First, the diversity and composition of the root microbiome was markedly different
324 between the endosphere and rhizosphere compartments across host species. Second, host
325 plant species explained much of the variation in the diversity and composition of the root
326 microbiome. Variation in the endosphere microbiome exhibited strong correspondence
327 with the underlying host plant phylogeny, though this was not the case for the
328 rhizosphere. Third, patterns of root microbial recruitment among host plants in both the
329 endosphere and rhizosphere influence indirect competitive interactions among plant
330 species through plant-soil feedbacks. Fourth, under drought stress the root endosphere
331 dynamically responds, and these changes correspond to variation in host plant tolerance
332 to drought. Below, we discuss how these results inform our understanding of the factors
333 that shape root microbiomes, and their ecological importance.

334 **Root microbiome assembly across angiosperm species.**

335 Our results provide clear insight into how host plants affect the assembly of root
336 microbiomes. Large differences in endosphere and rhizosphere diversity and composition
337 (Fig. 1*A* and *B*) are likely a conserved feature in plants, reflecting general rules for the

338 assembly of root microbiomes across angiosperm species. For example, we found a
339 significant correlation between endosphere and rhizosphere community composition,
340 indicating that the host-specific factors shaping composition, but not diversity, are at least
341 partly shared between endosphere and rhizosphere compartments. Despite a broad
342 conservation of root microbiome assembly, we also uncovered tremendous variation in
343 microbiome communities occurring across host plant species. Plant species varied much
344 more in their endosphere diversity (Fig. 1C) and composition (Fig. 1D), than the
345 rhizosphere microbiome compartment, which supports the idea of greater host plant
346 importance in the assembly of the endosphere microbiome (6). Several plant lineages
347 exhibited pronounced differences in their endosphere microbiota including the Fabaceae,
348 which have an elevated proportion of Proteobacteria, and the Poaceae, which are enriched
349 in Actinobacteria.

350 We find support for the emerging view that plant evolution influences the root
351 microbiome (12, 31, 39). Pronounced effects of host plant species in the face of
352 recruitment of microbiota from the surrounding environment suggest that plants have
353 evolved traits that govern root microbiome assembly. We found a particularly strong
354 association between host plant evolutionary relatedness and endosphere diversity and
355 composition, which indicates that host traits underlying endosphere assembly covary with
356 phylogenetic relatedness among hosts. By contrast, rhizosphere assembly exhibited no
357 clear relationship with host plant phylogeny (Fig. 1C and D, *SI Appendix*, Table S6, S7),
358 despite host plant species having a strong effect on the rhizosphere microbiome (*SI*
359 *Appendix*, Table S3, S4, S5). This result suggests that the plant traits which shape the
360 rhizosphere compartment are themselves uncorrelated with host plant phylogeny.

361 Our analysis of plant traits revealed that plant productivity and physiology are
362 associated with variation in root microbiome diversity and composition, similar to a
363 recent study of leaf bacterial communities in tropical tree species (40). These
364 physiological traits are often correlated with broad resource acquisition strategies
365 employed across plant species (41), suggesting that plant resource consumption and
366 turnover are correlated with root microbiota. Several host traits were associated with
367 microbial composition in both the endosphere and rhizosphere, however this was not the
368 case for microbial diversity (*SI Appendix*, Table S8). These results support our previous
369 finding that host plant factors associated with root microbial composition, but not
370 diversity, are partially shared between endosphere and rhizosphere compartments. We
371 speculate that finer insight into how host plant variation and evolution affects root
372 microbiome assembly, particularly the endosphere compartment, will require
373 characterization of root metabolites and exudates as well as the microbial-triggered
374 immune responses across plant species (4, 42-44).

375 **The ecological importance of the plant root microbiome.**

376 Plants evolved the ability to colonize land at a time when the terrestrial environment
377 already contained microorganisms. Interactions between plants and soil microbes were
378 key to the colonization and persistence of land plants (5), and they continue to play
379 essential roles in host plant evolution and ecology. How assemblages of root microbiota
380 contribute to the interaction between host plants and their biotic and abiotic environment
381 is poorly understood and was a central focus of our study.

382 ***Root microbiota and plant-soil feedback.*** Biotic interactions via plant-soil
383 feedbacks are a form of plant competition that have far-reaching importance for terrestrial

384 ecosystems (19, 20, 22). Soil microbes are generally recognized as the main factors
385 driving PSF, but beyond this, general theories addressing how microbial taxa contribute
386 to the strength of PSF among plants remain limited (45, 46). Our results lead to several
387 important and novel conclusions. First, the PSF between host plants depends on overall
388 compositional differences of root microbiota (Fig. 2). On average, highly similar root
389 microbiomes lead to negative PSF between host plant species. Increasing root microbial
390 similarity between plant species could directly reduce plant performance due to shared
391 pathogenic bacteria transferred through soil. If host immunity shapes associated-
392 microbiota (4, 42, 43), or if host-microbiota affect immunity (43, 47), then host plants
393 with similar root microbiomes may exhibit increased susceptibility to, and co-infection
394 with, the same pathogens. This hypothesis is indirectly supported by studies reporting
395 higher co-infectivity rates of pathogens between close versus distant plant relatives,
396 presumably driven by variation in pathogen-specific resistance across the plant
397 phylogeny (48). Alternatively, root microbiota may influence plant-plant interactions
398 through soil resource partitioning. In our PSF experiment the major source of mineral
399 nutrients for focal plants was the inoculum from soil conditioned in the previous
400 generation. Differential association with particular soil microorganisms is thought to
401 increase soil resource partitioning between plant species (16). Focal plants with similar
402 root microbiota to soil-conditioning plants may exhibit reduced growth due to a shared
403 microbial mutualist, involved in the acquisition of a limiting soil resource depleted during
404 generation one. Future work is required to understand the relative importance of
405 antagonistic versus beneficial microorganisms in driving the correlation between root
406 microbial similarity and PSF.

407 PSF between host plant species also depended on the differential abundance of
408 particular root bacterial taxa (Fig. 3). This suggests a dynamic interplay between the root
409 microbiota of interacting host plant species. In general, a higher abundance of PSF-
410 related taxa in the rhizosphere of soil-conditioning host plants led to increased focal plant
411 performance (e.g. Fig. 3D, 3F; *SI Appendix*, Dataset S2: unshaded rows). Greater
412 abundance of mutualistic bacterial taxa in the rhizosphere of a host plant could enhance
413 soil quality for future generations of plants by increasing abundance of the bacterial
414 mutualist or through a fertilization effect (46). In the endosphere, we observed a high
415 proportion of bacterial taxa exhibiting the opposite association, whereby increased
416 abundance in the endosphere of the soil-conditioning host plant lead to reduced focal
417 plant performance (e.g. Fig. 3C, 3E; *SI Appendix*, Dataset S2: blue shaded rows). This
418 opposing association suggests that greater abundance of specific bacterial taxa in the
419 endosphere reduces soil quality for the next generation of plants. This pattern is
420 consistent with root bacteria recruited by a tolerant host plant acting as a plant pathogen
421 in subsequent generations, but could also be driven by the depletion of mutualistic
422 bacteria from the soil environment reducing subsequent host plant performance (46, 49).

423 The opposing effects of differential abundance illustrate that microbial members
424 of either the endosphere or rhizosphere may have very different roles in plant competitive
425 interactions mediated through soil-feedback, potentially related to their relative
426 importance as either pathogens or mutualists. Additionally, the effects of root microbiota
427 on PSF include compositional differences of entire root microbial compartments and the
428 unique effects of individual bacterial taxa. Overall, our results raise the possibility that
429 patterns of root microbial recruitment among plant species, through their effects on PSF,

430 may contribute to fundamental terrestrial ecology, such as the mechanisms underlying
431 species coexistence (50) and ecosystem processes (21).

432 ***Drought and the root microbiome.*** In natural and managed ecosystems water
433 availability is a strong determinant of plant performance. We investigated how drought
434 shapes the root microbiome and whether or not drought-induced changes in root
435 microbiota are associated with drought tolerance across host plant species. Drought
436 substantially altered the composition of the root microbiome and marginally reduced
437 microbial diversity, with larger effects on the endosphere than the rhizosphere
438 microbiome (Fig. 4). Our results suggest that the effects of drought on microbiota are
439 indirectly mediated by host plant responses (*SI Appendix*, Fig. S13, Table S9, and Dataset
440 S3). A number of drought-induced plant responses, including physiological and
441 molecular changes, could be responsible for these effects of plants on the endosphere
442 microbiome. Interestingly, one of the chief regulators of drought stress response in plants
443 is the hormone abscisic acid (ABA), which exhibits negative crosstalk with a number of
444 defense hormones (36). A dampening of host plant immunity during drought could
445 facilitate large shifts in endosphere colonization by microorganisms, otherwise restricted
446 by the plant immune system (42). Indeed, a number of bacterial pathogens exploit this
447 crosstalk by producing metabolites that mimic ABA (51). Two recent studies have shown
448 that drought alters the root microbiome of cereal crop species (31, 32). Our findings
449 extend these results to a wider phylogenetic diversity of plant species and demonstrate
450 that large effects of host plants on the root endosphere under drought is a general pattern
451 shared among angiosperms.

452 We found compelling evidence that increases in endosphere Actinobacteria, and
453 especially members of the Streptomyetaceae, are associated with increased drought
454 tolerance (Fig. 5). The Streptomyetaceae exhibit traits of potential benefit to host plants
455 including the production of anti-microbial compounds, thick-walled spores resilient to
456 environmental perturbation and inducible exploratory behavior (52), all of which may
457 increase colonization rates of plant tissue under stressful environments. Another study
458 investigating *Streptomyces* isolated from wheat roots found a potential benefit to host
459 plants under drought stress, possibly through production of plant hormones and
460 biochemical activity that help mitigate water stress (53). Members of the Actinobacteria
461 were also enriched in root analogues (toothpicks) under drought, but these were not the
462 same ASVs associated with drought tolerance in living host plants (*SI Appendix, Dataset*
463 *S3*). Moreover, the ASVs enriched in the endosphere of root analogues under drought
464 represented only 3% of the total ASVs enriched in living plant roots. Surprisingly, we
465 failed to find any rhizosphere taxa that were related to host drought tolerance, despite
466 numerous reports of drought-related rhizobacteria (54). While features of the
467 Actinobacteria make them particularly suited to persist in stressful abiotic conditions like
468 drought, our findings and others' point to the existence of lineages enriched only in roots
469 of living plants under drought (31).

470 Our results present the intriguing hypothesis that changes in the host-microbiome
471 under abiotic stress may be adaptive for the host (37, 38). If true, this would represent a
472 form of adaptive phenotypic plasticity mediated by a plant's extended microbial
473 community. More work is required to unravel the genetic and physiological mechanisms
474 underlying host plant effects on the root microbiome, as well as any fitness benefits of

475 increased Streptomycetaceae abundance under drought. Recent findings may provide
476 some insight into possible mechanisms regulating adaptive host-microbiome interactions.
477 This work suggests that hosts modify their associated microbiota through regulating
478 innate immunity (e.g. 4), or by interfering with quorum sensing in bacteria (55, 56). How
479 animal and plant hosts modify their associated microbiota in response to environmental
480 perturbations, and whether these modifications represent adaptations, are important
481 questions for understanding the ecological and evolutionary importance of host
482 microbiota.

483 The examination of both biotic and abiotic stressors in our study uncovered
484 several important findings. Different compartments of the root microbiome (endosphere
485 and rhizosphere) are uniquely associated with a plant's response to environmental stress.
486 For example, while the endosphere and rhizosphere microbiome were both associated
487 with PSF, different taxa in each compartment were related to the strength of PSF (*SI*
488 *Appendix*, Dataset S2). By contrast, only the endosphere compartment was related to
489 drought tolerance (*SI Appendix*, Dataset S4). We also found three bacterial ASVs in the
490 root endosphere that were strongly associated with plant responses to both biotic and
491 abiotic host plant stress (*SI Appendix*, Dataset S2 and S4: green, orange, and purple
492 shaded ASVs). We speculate that some members of the root microbiome may benefit
493 host plants across a wide range of biotic and abiotic stressors. Finally, many of the PSF-
494 related and drought-related endosphere ASVs were found in all host plant species (*SI*
495 *Appendix*, Dataset S2 and S4), which points to the importance of widespread root
496 bacterial symbionts for plant ecology.

497 **Caveats**

498 Linking ecological functions across host plant species with root microbial diversity and
499 composition derived from deep-amplicon sequencing data has several important
500 limitations. First, though strongly suggestive of an important role for root bacterial
501 communities in mitigating interactions between host plants and their biotic and abiotic
502 environment, our results are correlative. Future research requires controlled experiments
503 using synthetic communities or single inoculations to understand the mechanisms
504 underlying the patterns uncovered here. Second, measures of relative abundance are
505 unable to detect absolute increases in bacterial abundance. Using qPCR, Naylor et al. (31)
506 recently confirmed that relative increases in Actinobacteria abundance in plant roots
507 reflect absolute increases. Thus, the results from our drought study likely reflect absolute
508 changes in the abundance of Streptomycetaceae. Third, characterization based on the 16S
509 rRNA gene yields little functional information about microbial communities. Genomic
510 analyses of root microbiota in addition to ecological assays of individual taxa or synthetic
511 communities will elucidate the functional importance of root microbiota (57-59). Despite
512 these limitations, our results reveal important effects of plant evolution and stress on root
513 microbiota, and how the root microbiome is tightly related to the ecological response of
514 plants to environmental stressors.

515 **Conclusions**

516 Host-associated microbiota are essential for nutrition, development, and immunity across
517 plant and animal hosts (2), yet our understanding of their broader ecological importance
518 remains limited. Our study provides some of the first evidence of the causes of variation
519 in the host microbiome across a wide range of host plant species, as well as the general
520 ecological importance of this variation for biotic and abiotic stressors. This study may

521 also inform future efforts to engineer the root microbiome in diverse agricultural systems
522 to increase plant performance in the face of competition and drought stress (60, 61).

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524 **Materials and Methods**

525 To understand the assembly and ecological function of the angiosperm root bacterial
526 microbiome we combined a comparative study of 30 phylogenetically diverse plant
527 species with manipulative experiments (Fig. 1A, *SI Appendix*, Table S1). First, we
528 characterized the endosphere and rhizosphere microbiome of replicate individuals grown
529 from surface-sterile seeds in a common environment. Seeds were planted in a live soil
530 inoculum collected from a naturalized field site where all species co-occur (Koffler
531 Scientific Reserve, ON, Canada). We measured a suite of morphological, physiological
532 and performance traits from every plant (*SI Appendix*, Table S2). After 16 weeks, we
533 partitioned standard root samples from each plant into endosphere and rhizosphere
534 compartments (8, 9) and extracted total DNA. We characterized the bacterial community
535 by sequencing amplicons of the V4 region of the 16S rRNA gene using Illumina MiSeq
536 (*SI Appendix*, Fig. S1). To reduce host contamination, we used peptide nucleic acids
537 designed to block amplification of host plant plastid and mitochondrial sequences (62).
538 We assembled quality-filtered reads into error-corrected amplicon sequence variants
539 (ASVs) using DADA2 v.1.4.0 (33), which represent unique bacterial taxa. ASVs exhibit
540 fewer false positive taxa and reveal cryptic diversity, otherwise undetected by traditional
541 OTU approaches (33). In total, we profiled 271 endosphere communities, 255
542 rhizosphere communities and 58 soil and control samples (*SI Appendix*, Table S1) and
543 assembled 56,063 ASVs.

544 Assembled ASVs were assigned taxonomy (phylum to genus) using the RDP
545 naïve Bayesian classifier (implemented in DADA2) and the ‘RDP training set 14’ (63).
546 We used PASTA to align ASV sequences and build a maximum likelihood phylogenetic
547 tree (64). Next, using the R package ‘phyloseq’ (65), we removed any ASVs without a
548 bacterial phylum assignment, assigned to Archaea, chloroplast, or mitochondrial origin.
549 To simplify downstream analyses, we applied a prevalence and abundance threshold for
550 bacterial ASVs, where taxa were kept only if they were found in 1% of samples (7
551 samples) and at a frequency of 25 reads per sample. This yielded 2,799 ASVs, which
552 accounted for 94% of the total number of sequences in the dataset (*SI Appendix*, Fig.
553 S14). For downstream composition analyses, we performed proportional abundance
554 normalization (relative abundance) on this common set of ASVs, where the sequencing
555 reads for an ASV in a given sample were divided by the total number of sequencing reads
556 in that sample (66). As an additional set of analyses, we used the traditional approach of
557 rarefaction (to 800 reads) to normalize our full dataset prior to any threshold, which
558 yielded approximately 13,000 ASVs and accounted for less than 2% of the total read
559 count (*SI Appendix*, Fig. S14). Both methods (rarefaction on the full dataset and relative
560 abundance normalization on the simplified dataset) yielded qualitatively identical results,
561 we therefore present the non-rarefied data because it retained a larger portion of our data.

562 We investigated the ecological importance of root microbiota for both biotic and
563 abiotic stressors. As a biotic stressor, we measured how patterns of root microbial
564 recruitment among host plant species can feed back to affect indirect competitive
565 interactions via plant-soil feedbacks (*SI Appendix*, Fig. S1). In the first generation of our
566 plant-soil feedback experiment, we grew each of our 30 plant species in a homogenous

567 soil mixture collected from the same field site as our comparative microbiome study. Pots
568 were filled with 800 mL of sterilized soil (mixture of potting soil and sand [2:3 V/V]) and
569 200 mL of live inoculum collected from KSR. We preserved bulk and rhizosphere soil
570 collected and pooled from 5 individuals from each of the 30 plant species and used it to
571 inoculate replicate individuals of 5 focal species, representative of our host plant
572 phylogenetic diversity. In this second generation, we mixed live soil inoculum preserved
573 from the previous generation with the same sterile soil mix in the same ratio as the first
574 generation. The effect of soil conditioning in the first generation on plant performance in
575 the second generation is the plant-soil feedback (PSF). Operationally, we measured the
576 PSF as: $\log_e ((\text{focal species biomass in heterospecific soil})/(\text{focal species biomass in}$
577 $\text{conspecific soil}))$; positive values indicate that a focal species performed better in soil
578 conditioned by a different species from the focal plant relative to soil conditioned by the
579 same species as the focal plant, whereas negative values indicate the opposite (34).

580 As an abiotic stressor, we manipulated drought and measured how water
581 limitation affected patterns of root microbial recruitment among host plant species and
582 host plant drought tolerance. We used a drip irrigation system to impose a chronic
583 drought stress on replicate individuals from each host plant species during the
584 comparative root microbiome study, as well as an equal number of well-watered control
585 plants. Our manipulation resulted in a 4-fold difference in soil moisture and a mean
586 biomass reduction of 35% across host plant species in the drought treatment compared to
587 the control, though host plant species varied widely in their tolerance to drought.
588 Alongside living plants we also included bare soil pots and pots planted with structurally
589 similar root analogues (toothpicks). Differences in drought responses between living root

590 microbial communities and root analogues or soil indicate the effects of living host plants
591 on microbial dynamics.

592 We analyzed the effects of host plant species, root compartment and watering
593 treatment on the diversity (observed ASV richness, Simpson's D^{-1} , and evenness
594 [Simpson's D^{-1} / observed ASV richness]), and composition (weighted UniFrac
595 dissimilarity (67)) of bacterial communities using linear mixed models (*SI Appendix*,
596 Table S3 and S4). We also analyzed the effects of host plant species, root compartment,
597 and watering treatment on the differential abundance of bacterial taxa using DESeq2
598 (35). DESeq2 uses negative binomial models and ASV read counts to test whether
599 individual bacterial taxa are differentially abundant across experimental factors. To
600 understand how plant evolution has shaped root microbial communities, we calculated
601 phylogenetic signal (Blomberg's K and Pagel's λ) present in diversity estimates and used
602 Mantel tests to determine the correlation between host plant evolutionary relatedness and
603 root microbial compositional similarity (*SI Appendix*, Table S6 and S7). Finally, we used
604 phylogenetic generalized least-squares regression (PGLS) to determine the relationship
605 between plant traits and root microbial diversity and composition (*SI Appendix*, Table
606 S8).

607 We investigated the ecological importance of root microbiota by correlating
608 patterns of root microbial composition and differential abundance among host plant
609 species with experimentally measured PSF and drought tolerance. Correlations between
610 root microbial composition and ecological processes indicate an importance of broad
611 patterns of root microbiome assembly, whereas correlations with individual taxa indicate
612 particular individual bacterial taxa are associated with host plant performance. First, we

613 analyzed how endosphere and rhizosphere compositional differences (weighted and
614 unweighted UniFrac dissimilarity) among pairs of host plant species was correlated with
615 PSF. Next, we identified those bacterial taxa that were differentially abundant among
616 host plant species and correlated their log₂-fold change between focal and soil-
617 conditioning plant species with the experimentally measured PSF (*SI Appendix*, Dataset
618 S2). In the drought experiment, we correlated endosphere and rhizosphere compositional
619 differences (weighted and unweighted UniFrac dissimilarity) between watering
620 treatments within a host plant species with their measured drought tolerance. To
621 understand the potential role of individual taxa, we first identified drought-responsive
622 bacterial taxa and correlated their log₂-fold change between watering treatments within a
623 host plant species with host species' drought tolerance (*SI Appendix*, Dataset S4). All
624 analyses were carried out in R v.3.3.3 (68). For detailed materials and methods see *SI*
625 *Appendix, Materials and Methods*. Sequence files associated with individual samples are
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808 **Figure captions**

809 **Fig. 1**

810 The diversity and composition of endosphere and rhizosphere compartments across plant
811 species. (A) The endosphere exhibited less than one-quarter of the diversity found in the
812 rhizosphere ($F_{1,56} = 64.62$, $P_{\text{FDR}} < 0.001$, P -value adjusted using the false discovery rate).
813 (B) The abundance of bacterial phyla were significantly affected (GLM: $P_{\text{FDR}} < 0.05$) by
814 compartment (black star) and host plant species (green star = endosphere, yellow star =
815 rhizosphere). (C) Endosphere diversity exhibited greater variation across host plants than
816 rhizosphere diversity ($\chi^2 = 17.72$, $P_{\text{FDR}} < 0.001$). Endosphere diversity was also correlated
817 with the underlying plant phylogeny, while rhizosphere diversity was not. (D) Plant
818 species varied more in the composition of their endosphere versus rhizosphere
819 compartments ($\chi^2 = 20.06$, $P_{\text{FDR}} < 0.001$). Mantel tests revealed a significant correlation
820 between endosphere (but not rhizosphere) compositional similarity and phylogenetic
821 relatedness.

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823 **Fig. 2**

824 Root microbial composition is related to plant-soil feedbacks (PSF). (A) PSF occurs when
825 the soil microbes recruited by one plant influence the growth of other plants. Positive
826 values indicate that a focal species performed better in soil conditioned by a
827 heterospecific plant relative to a conspecific plant, whereas negative values indicate the
828 opposite. (B) Plants exhibit enhanced growth when inoculated with soil conditioned by a
829 heterospecific species with dissimilar endosphere (measured as weighted UniFrac
830 distance) and (C) rhizosphere compartments (measured as unweighted UniFrac distance).

831 **Fig. 3**

832 Differential abundance of root bacterial taxa and PSF. Host plant species exhibit
833 differential abundance for numerous root bacterial taxa in either the endosphere or
834 rhizosphere, including (A) an endosphere *Streptomyces* ASV and (B) the genus
835 *Pseudoxanthomonas* found in the rhizosphere (GLM: $P_{\text{FDR}} < 0.05$). We estimated the
836 \log_2 -fold change of differentially abundant root bacterial taxa among all unique pairs of
837 focal and soil-conditioning host plant species and correlated this with their measured
838 PSF. Negative \log_2 -fold changes indicate a higher taxon abundance in soil-conditioning
839 host plant species, while positive values indicate a higher taxon abundance in focal host
840 plant species. (C) The differential abundance of the endosphere *Streptomyces* ASV
841 between focal and soil-conditioning host plant species was positively related to their PSF.
842 (D) However, the differential abundance of rhizosphere *Pseudoxanthomonas* between
843 focal and soil-conditioning host plant species was negatively related to their PSF. (E and
844 F) PSF between host plant species was significantly associated with the differential
845 abundance of 66 endosphere taxa and 33 rhizosphere taxa. (E) In the endosphere, we
846 observed a high proportion (35%) of PSF-related taxa exhibiting the association depicted
847 in panel C (green lines illustrate significant trend lines between differential abundance of
848 endosphere taxa and PSF at $P_{\text{FDR}} < 0.05$). (F) While in the rhizosphere, a greater
849 proportion (88%) of taxa exhibited the association depicted in panel D (yellow lines
850 illustrate significant trend lines between rhizosphere taxa and PSF at $P_{\text{FDR}} < 0.05$). See *SI*
851 *Appendix*, Dataset S2 for a full list of PSF-related taxa.

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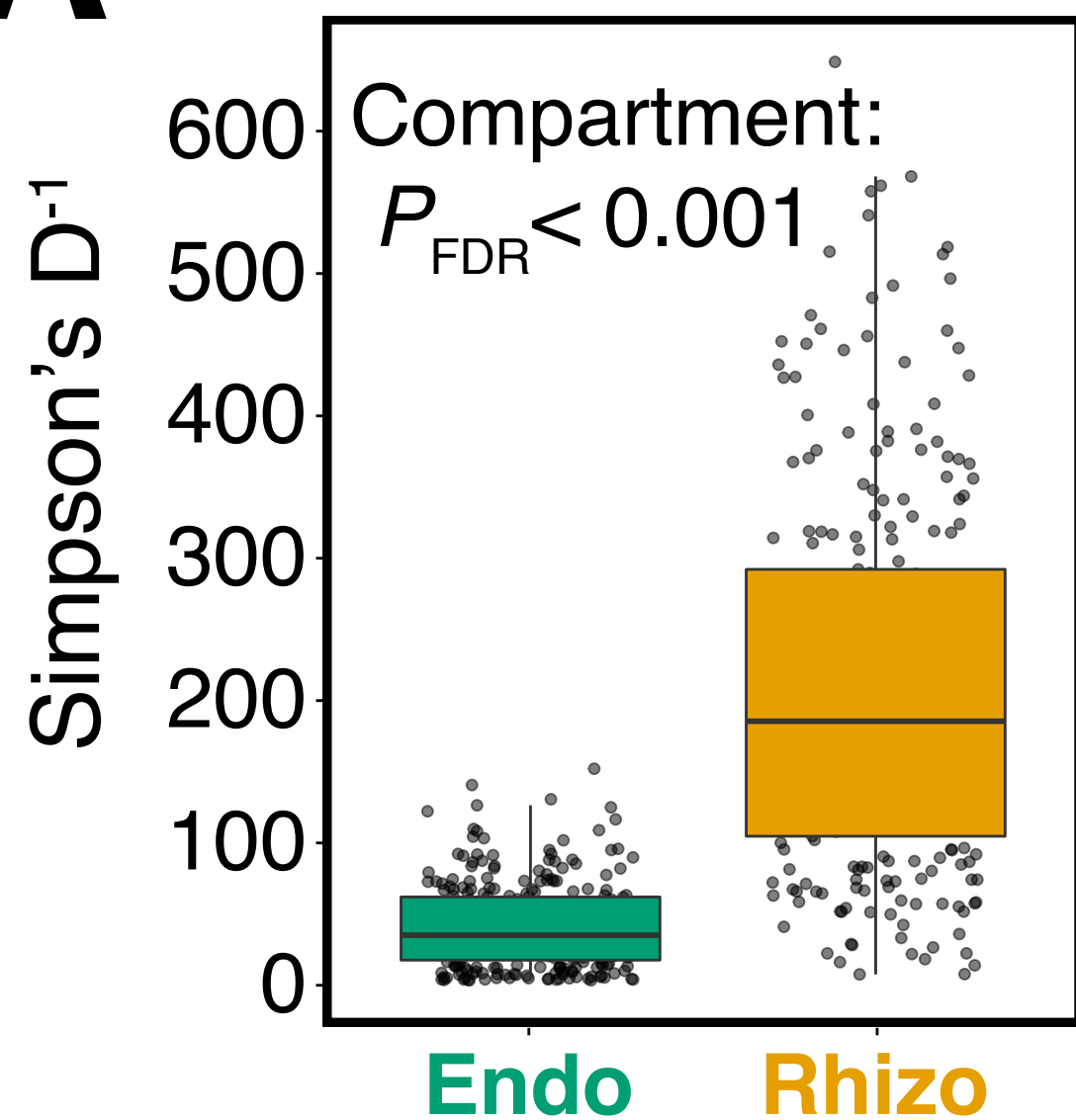
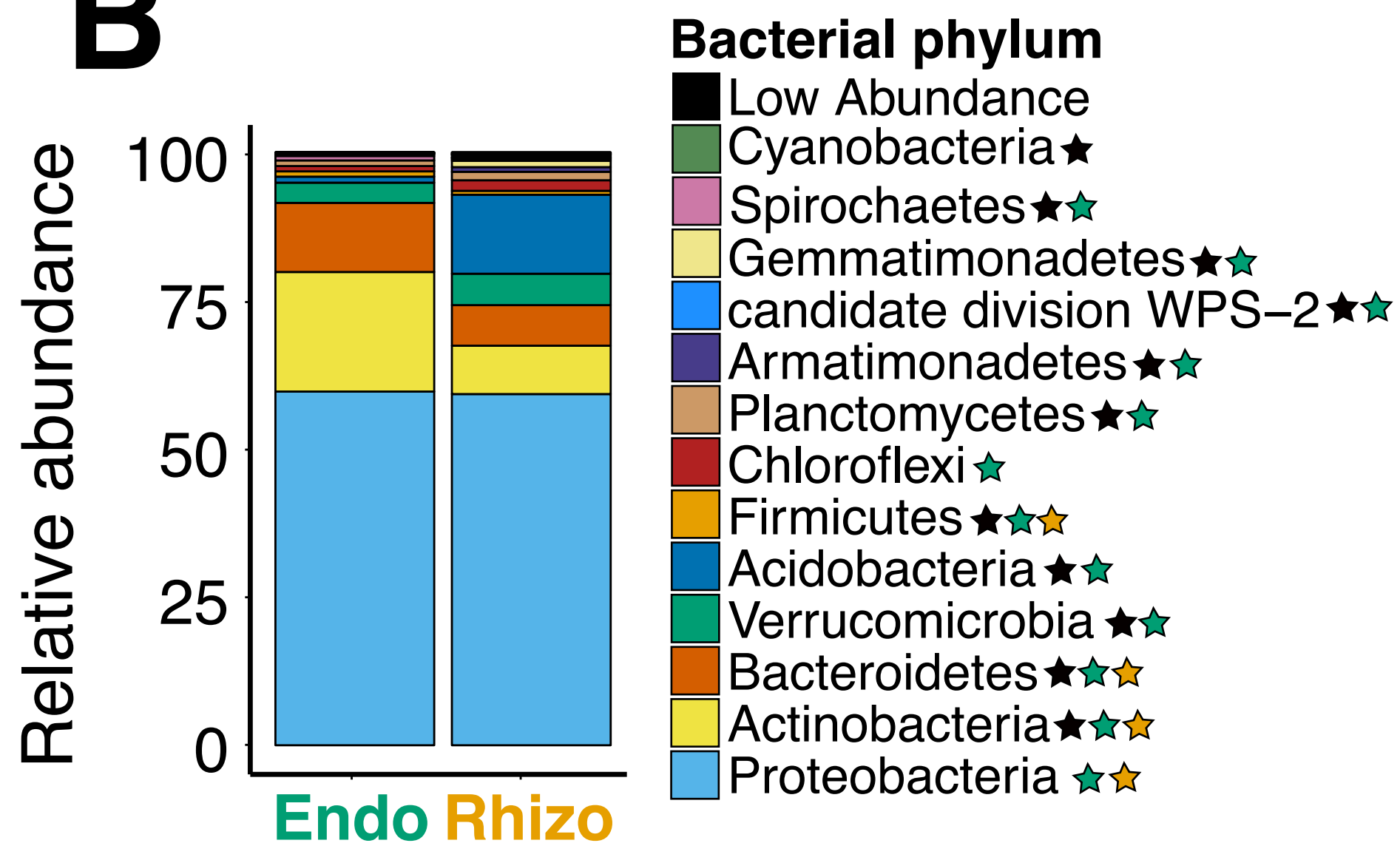
854 **Fig. 4**

855 The effects of drought on root microbial communities. (A) The drought treatment
856 (denoted by T) caused small reductions in the diversity of the endosphere and rhizosphere
857 compartments (denoted by C), and (B) had large effects on the relative abundance of
858 major bacterial phyla; starred phyla were significantly affected (GLM: $P_{\text{FDR}} < 0.05$) by
859 drought (green = endosphere, orange = rhizosphere). (C) Drought also had strong effects
860 on the overall composition of the endosphere and rhizosphere microbiomes, though
861 endosphere compartments exhibited a greater response. Inset: plants under drought
862 experienced four-fold lower soil moisture than well-watered plants.

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864 **Fig. 5**

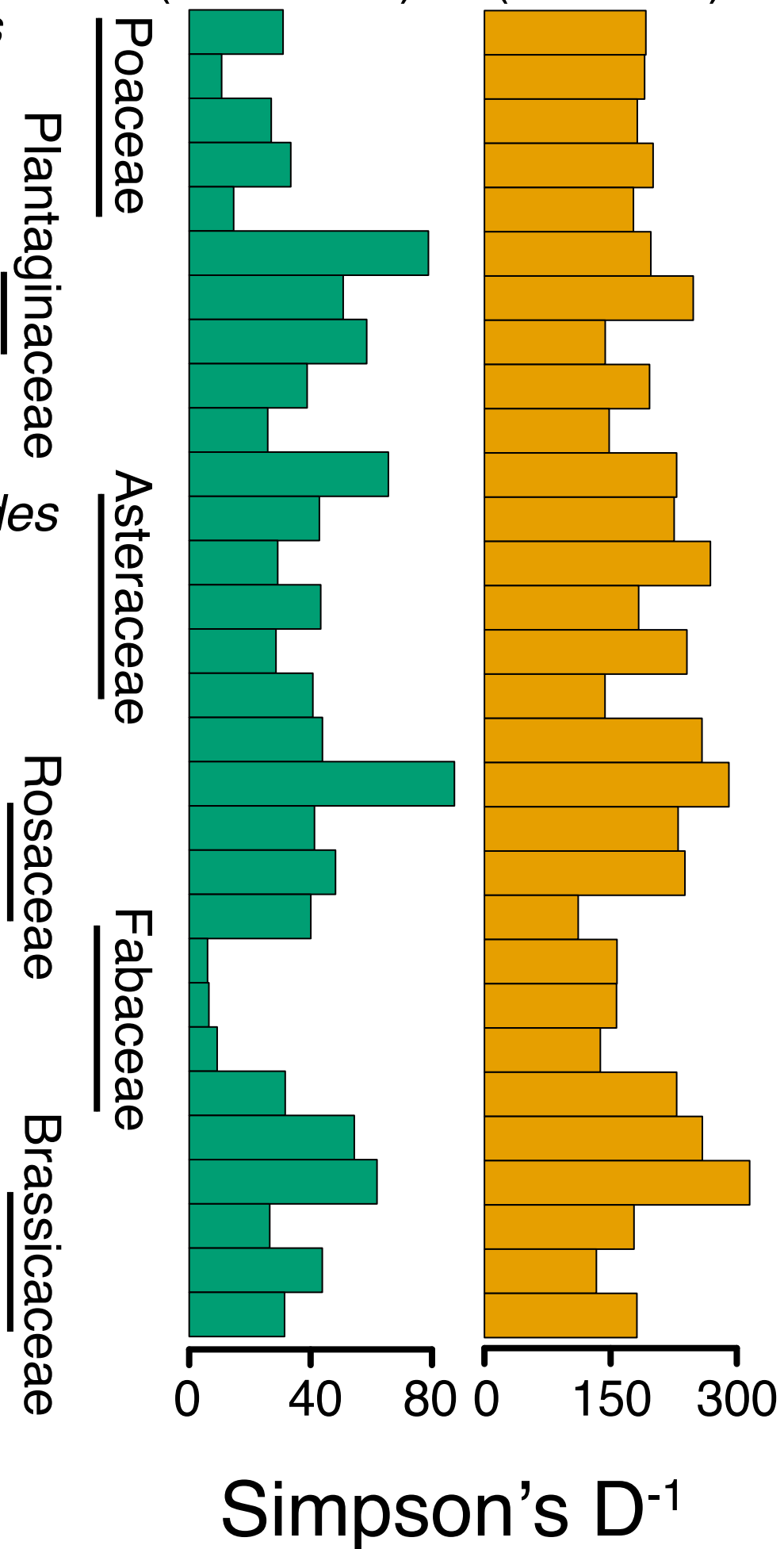
865 The relationship between drought tolerance and Streptomycetaceae. (A) On average the
866 drought treatment (denoted by T) caused a 35% reduction in biomass compared to well-
867 watered conditions ($F_{1,44} = 17.37$, $P < 0.001$), and plant species (denoted by S) varied
868 significantly in their response to drought (represented by dots connected by individual
869 lines). (B) Drought caused a 6-fold increase in the mean relative abundance of
870 endosphere Streptomycetaceae (Actinobacteria), but this effect varied among plant
871 species. (C) Plant species with greater relative increases in an endosphere *Streptomyces*
872 ASV under drought conditions had greater drought tolerance. See *SI Appendix*, Dataset
873 S4 for a full list of drought-related taxa.

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Phylogenetic signal K^*

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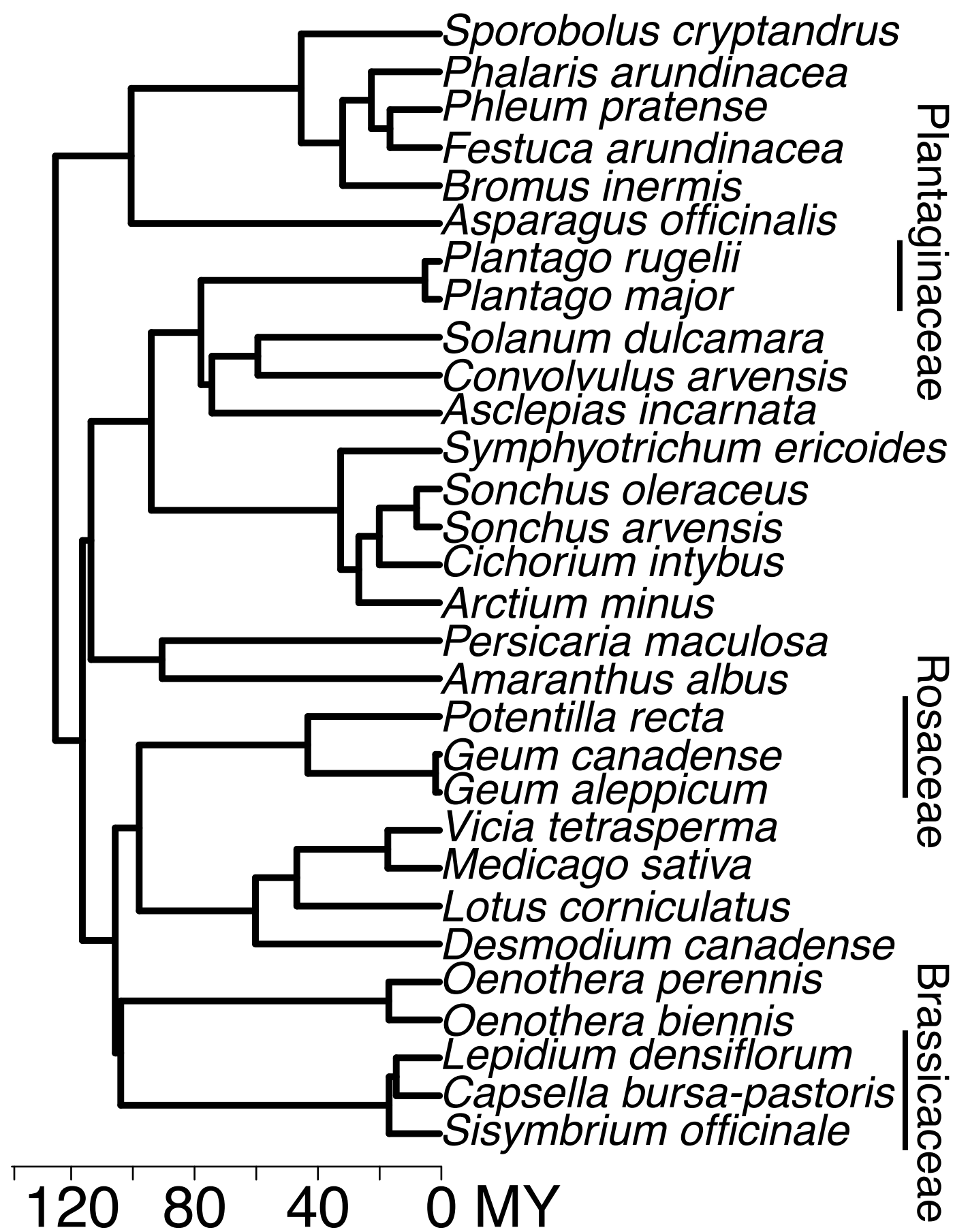
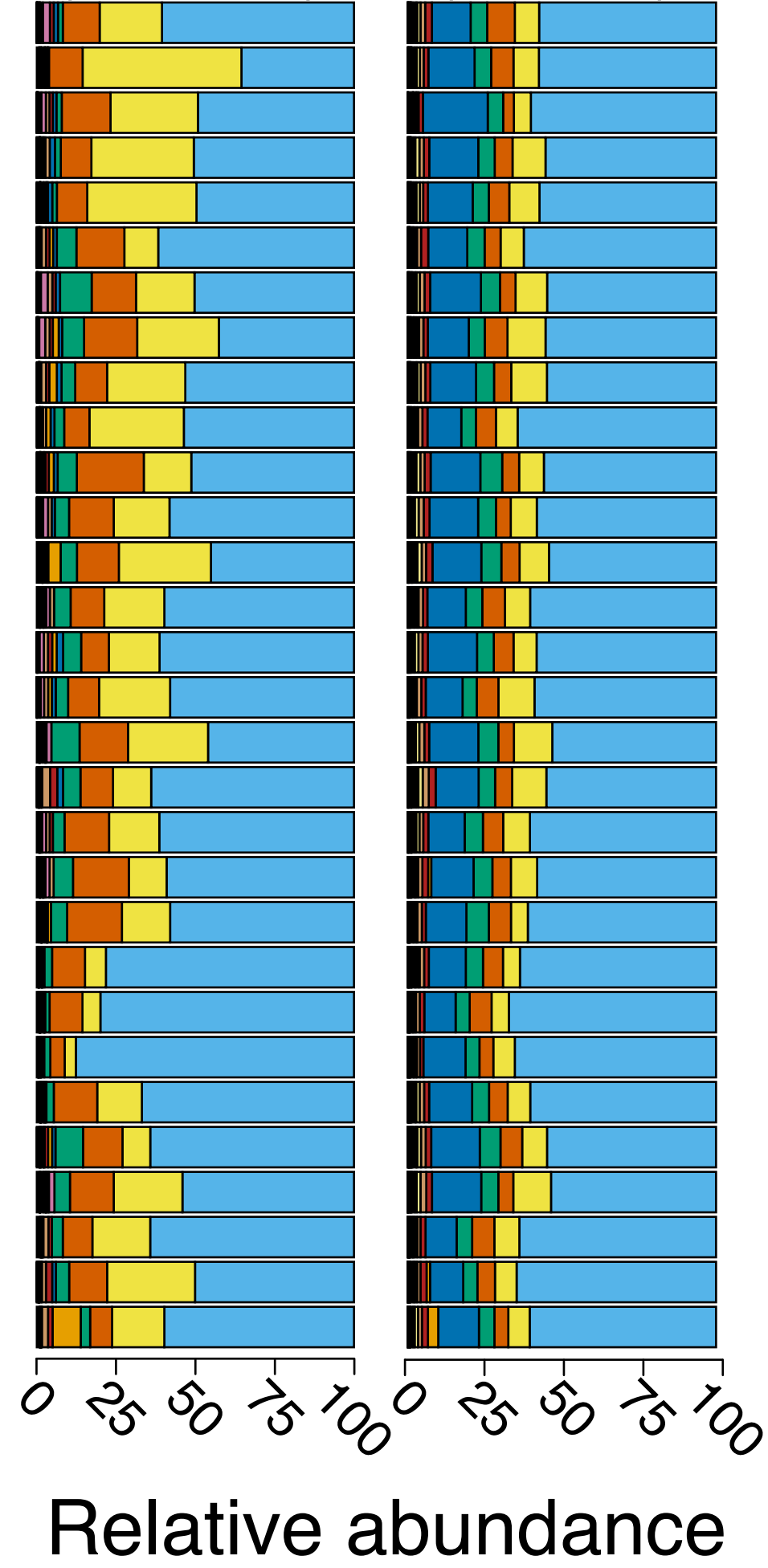
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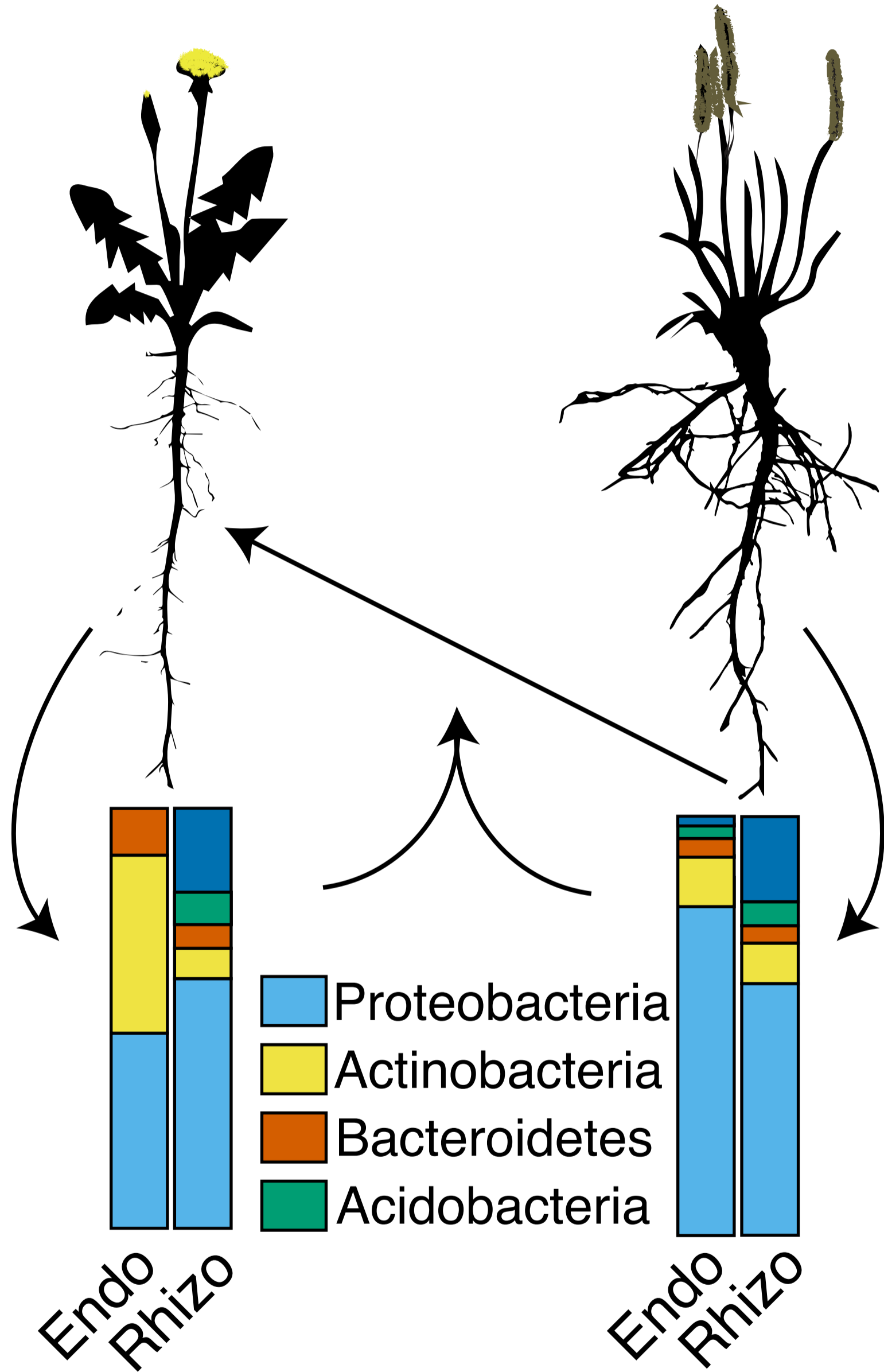
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0.15 (P = 0.004) 0.05 (P = 0.16)



A Focal species Soil conditioning species

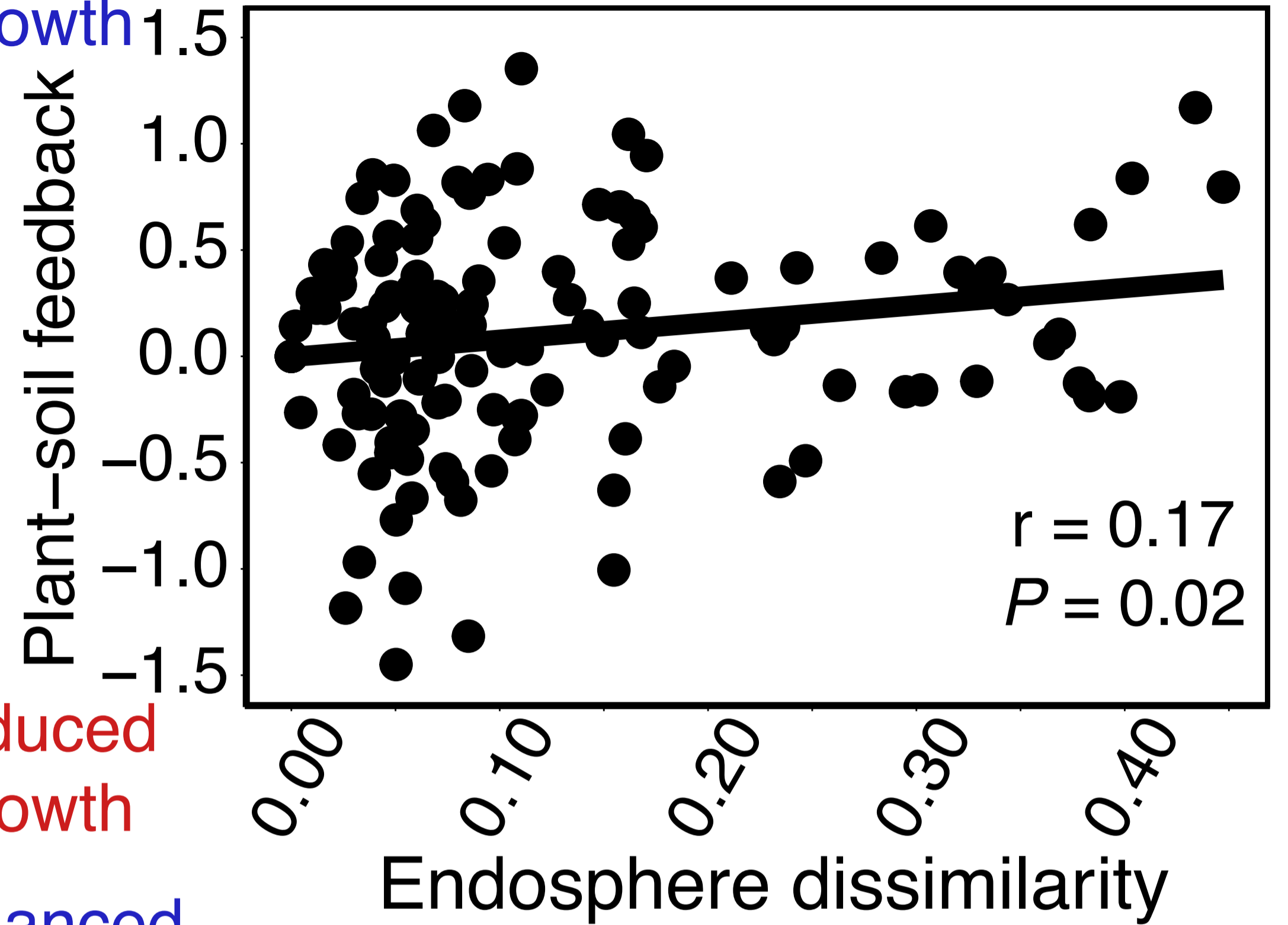


Plant-soil feedback =

$$\ln\left(\frac{\text{mean biomass of focal species in heterospecific soil}}{\text{mean biomass of focal species in conspecific soil}}\right)$$

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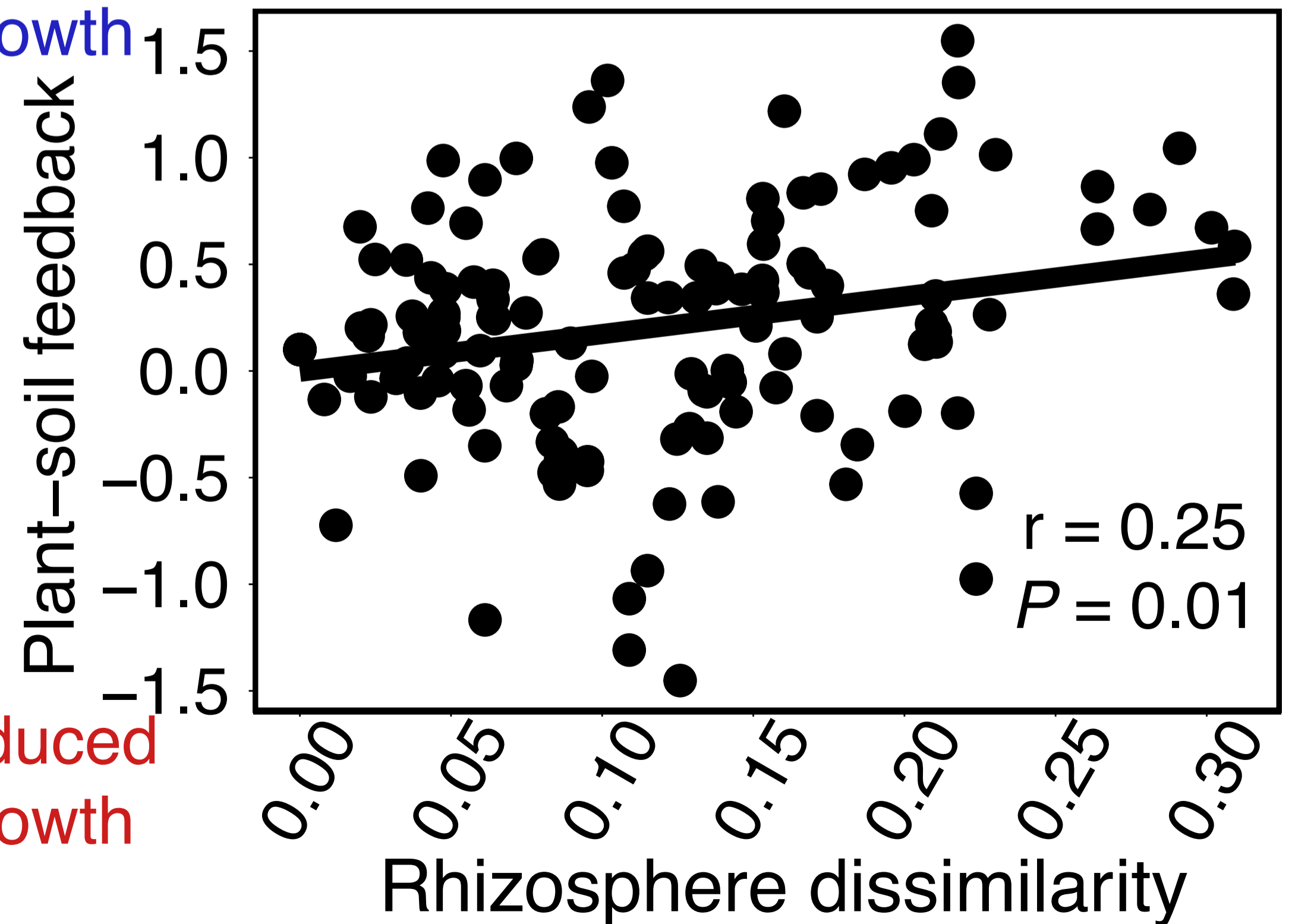
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Reduced growth

Enhanced growth

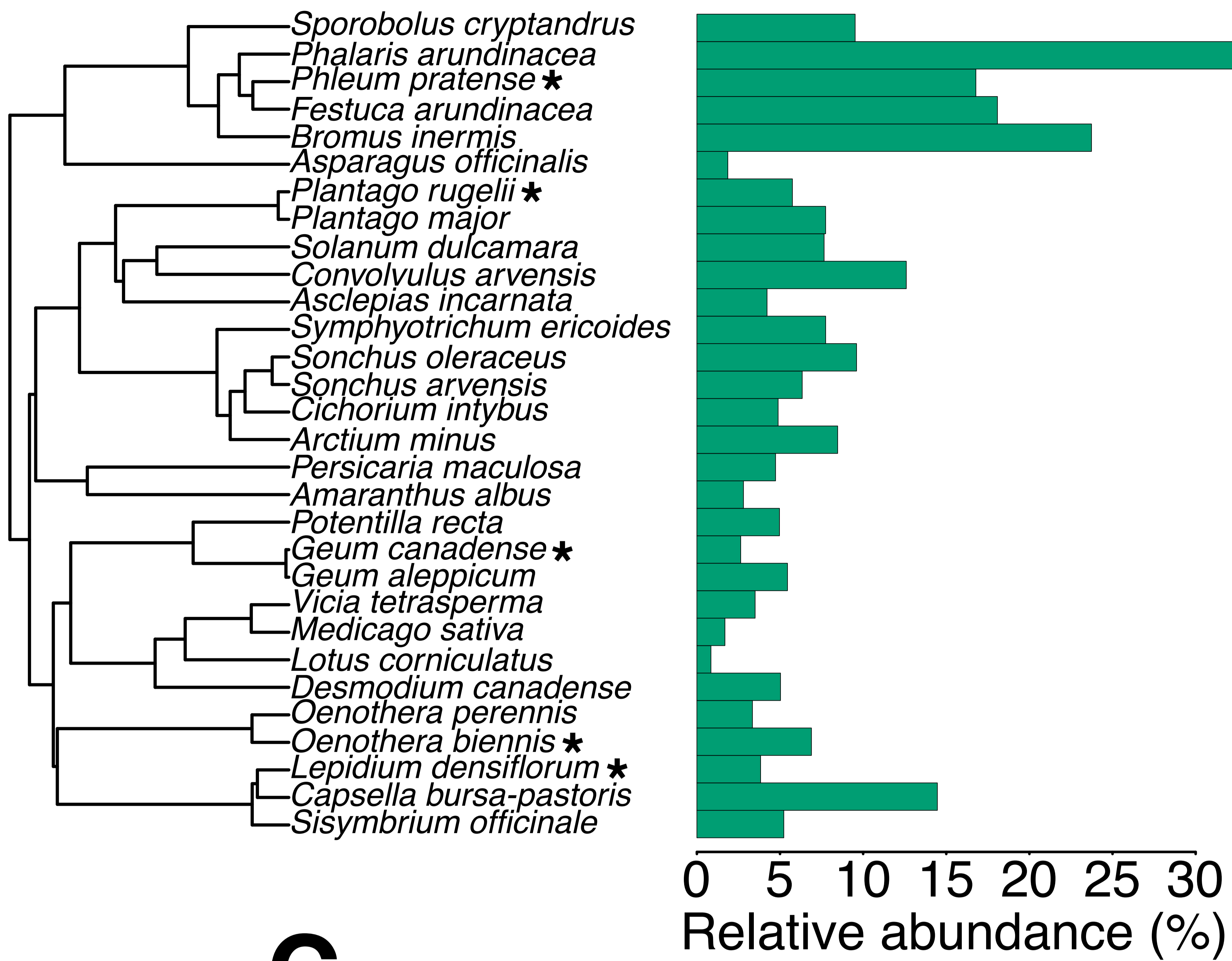
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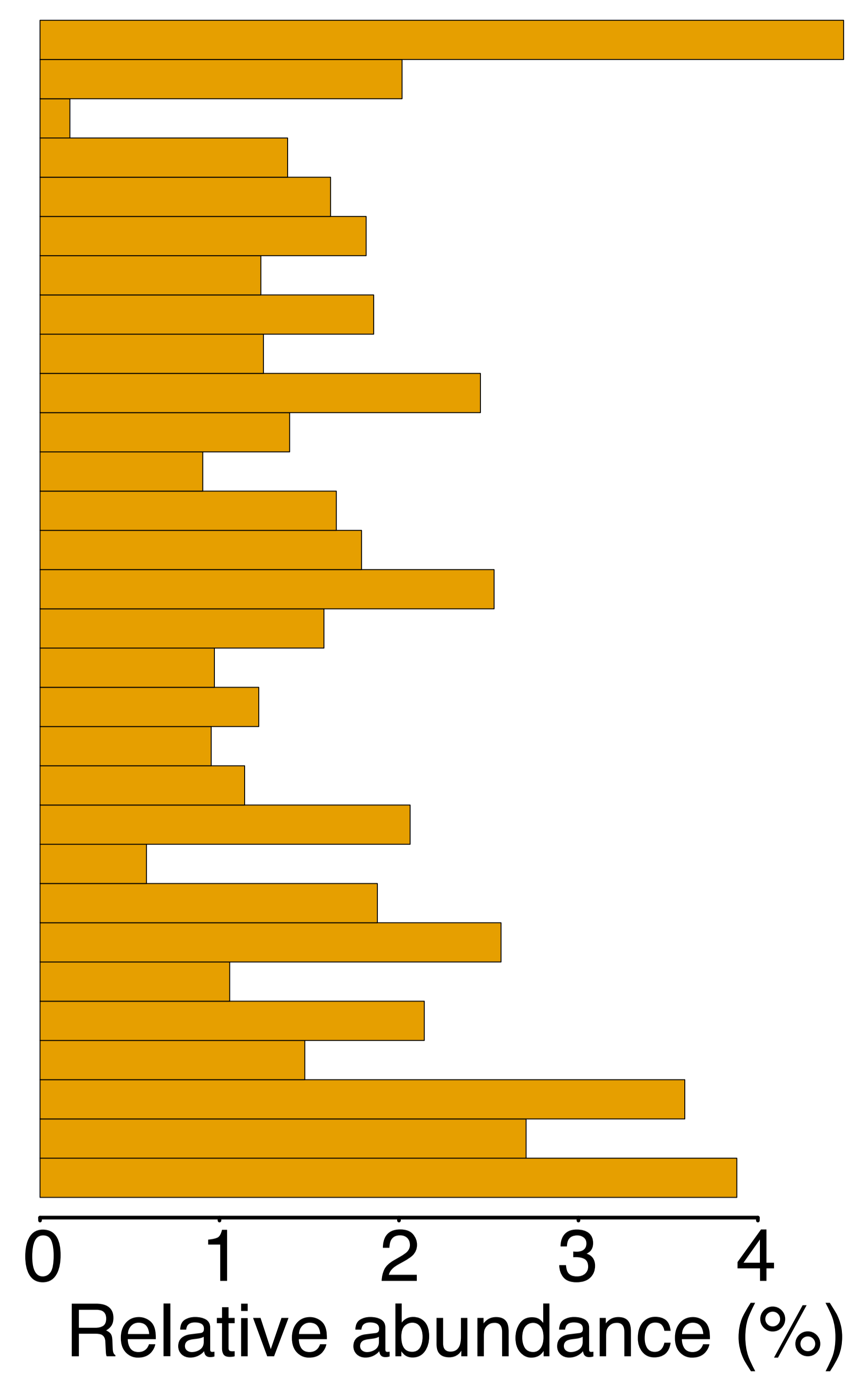
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A *Streptomyces* ASV1

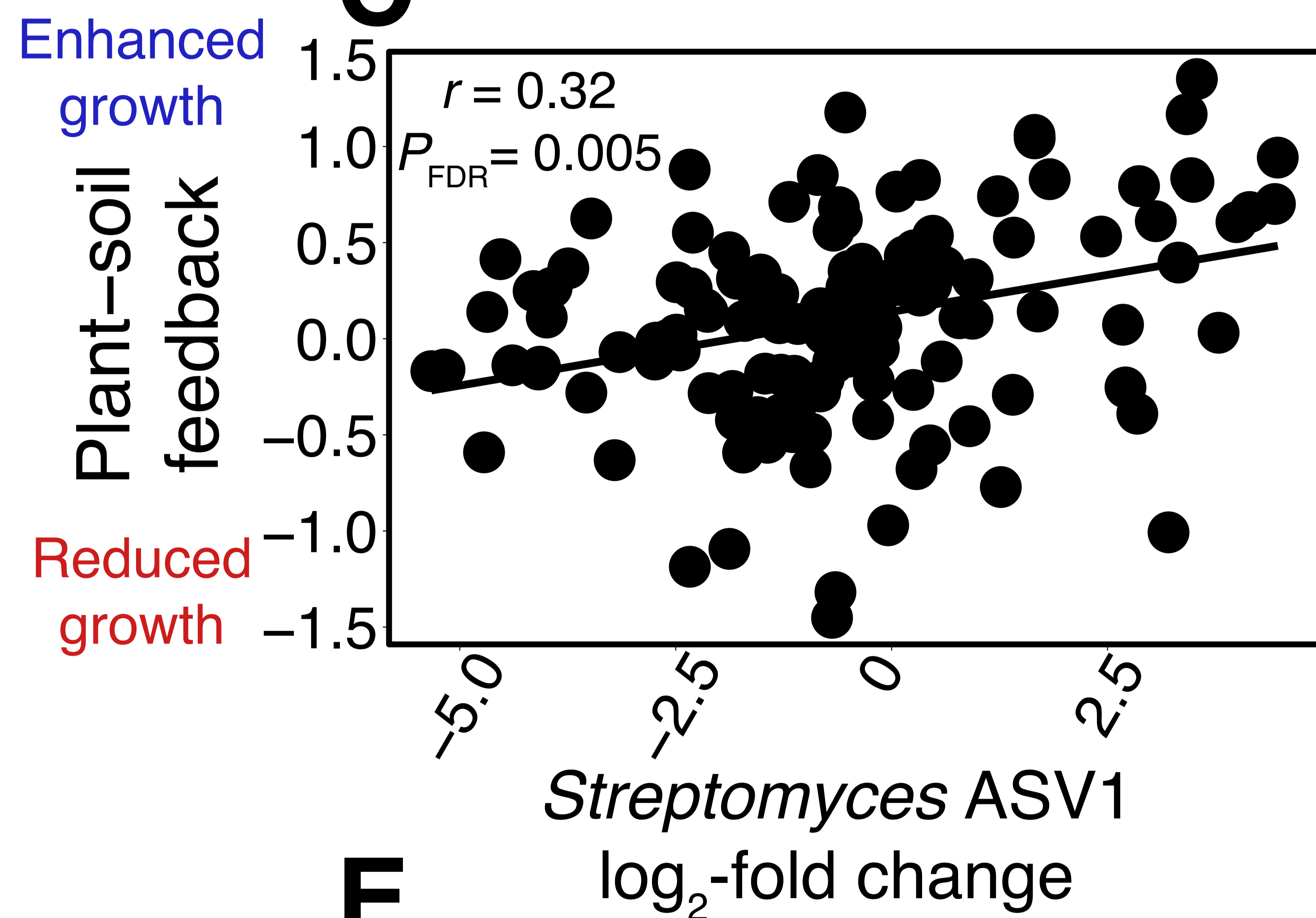


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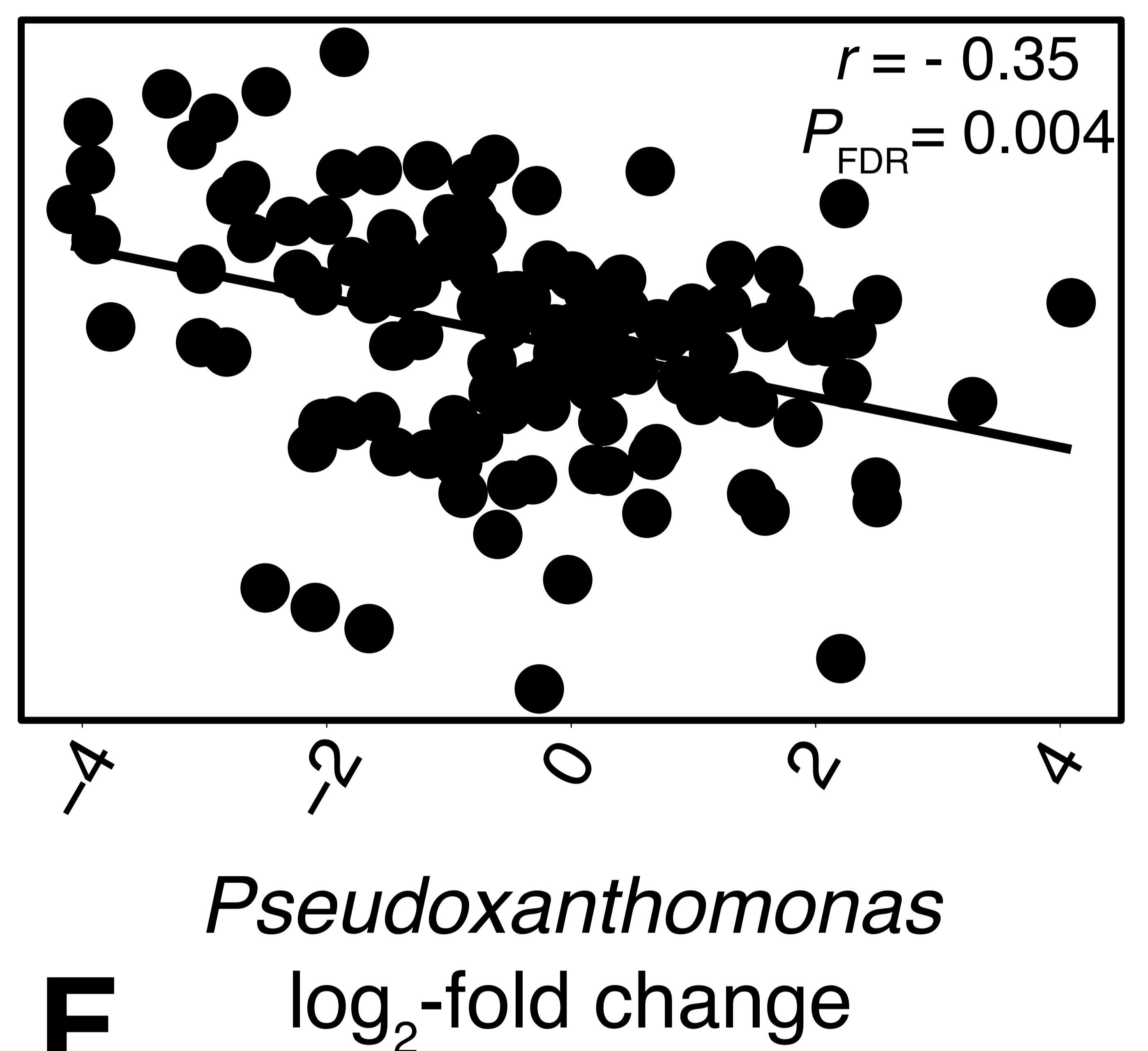
B *Pseudoxanthomonas*



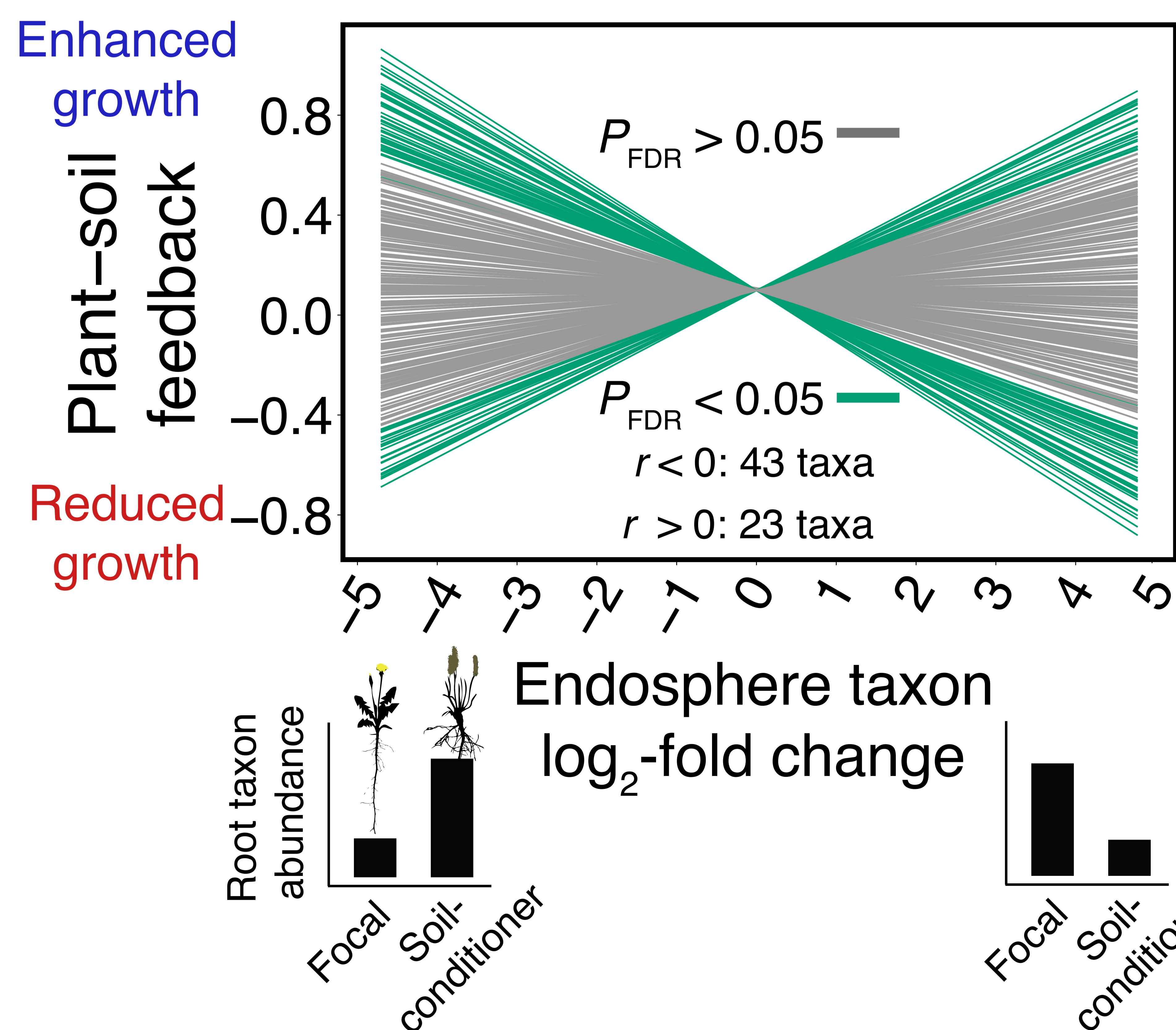
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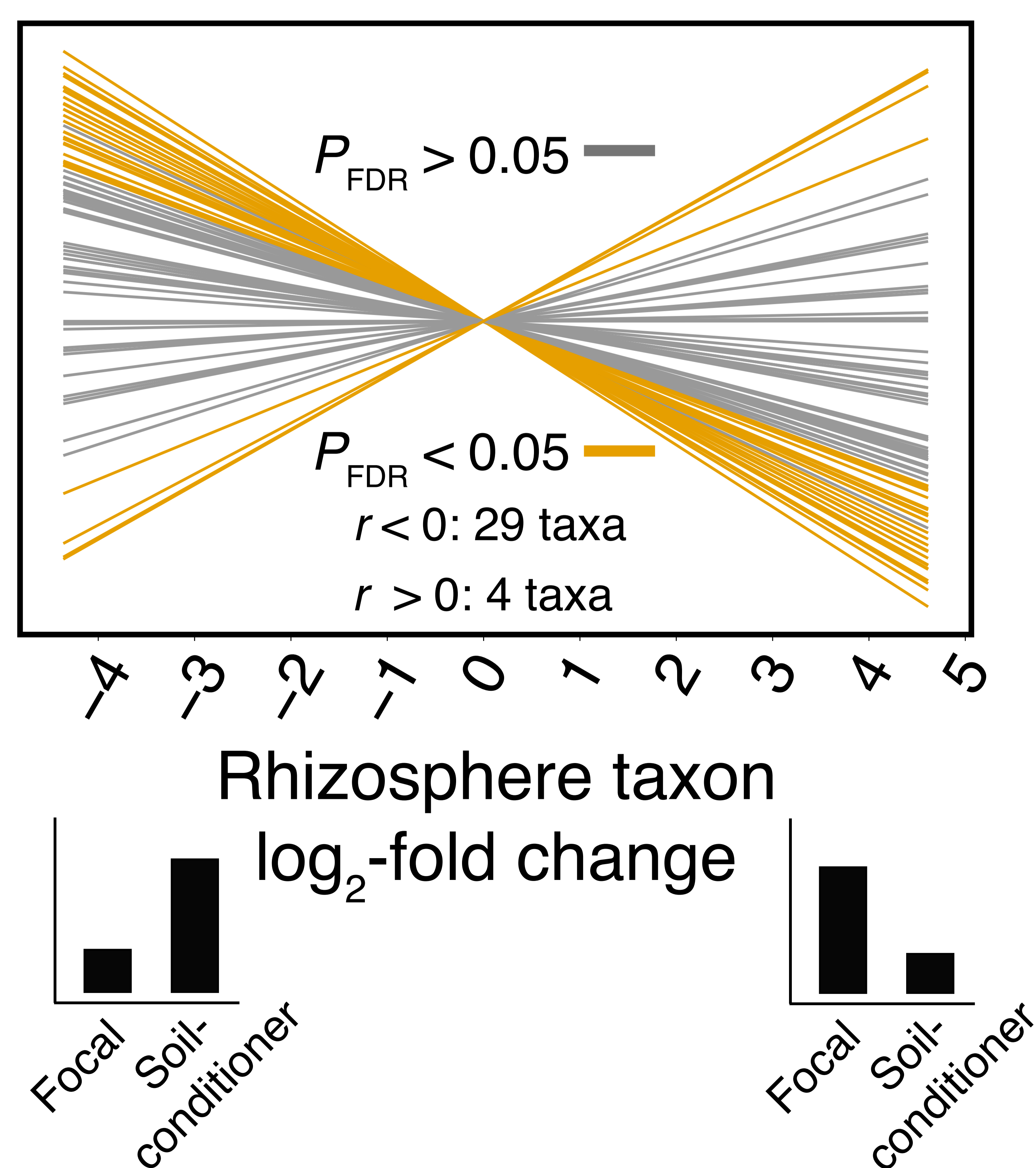
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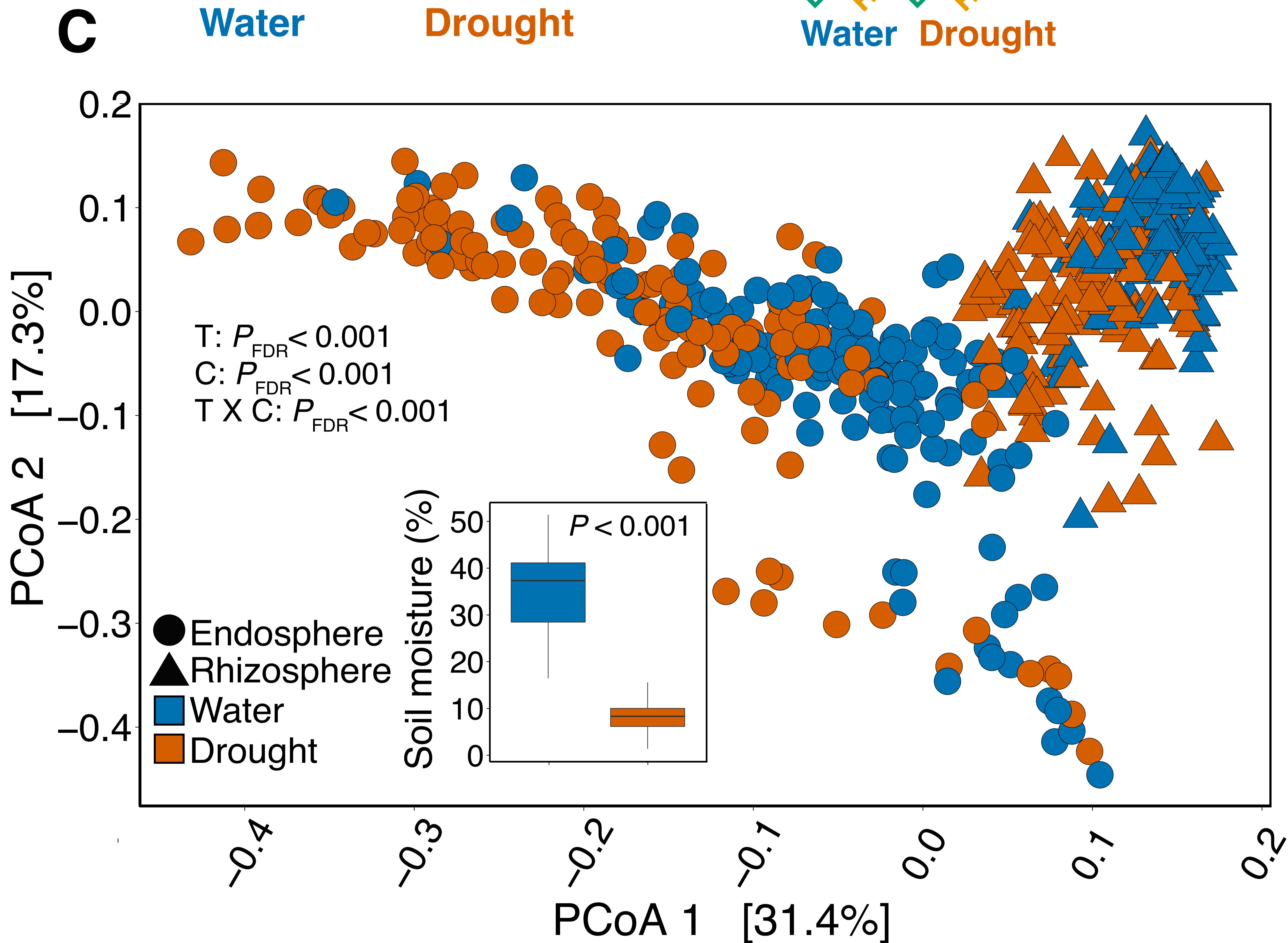
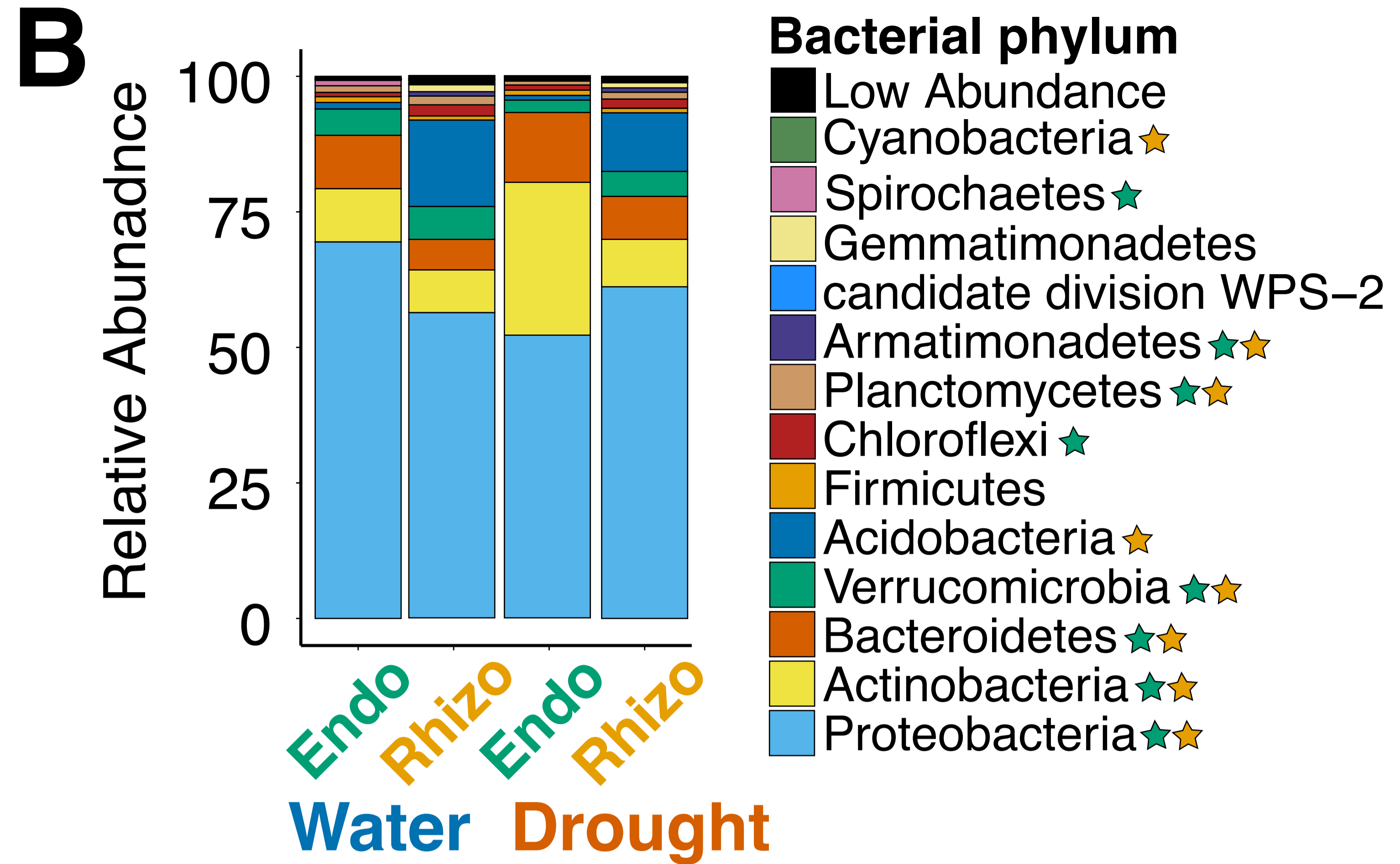
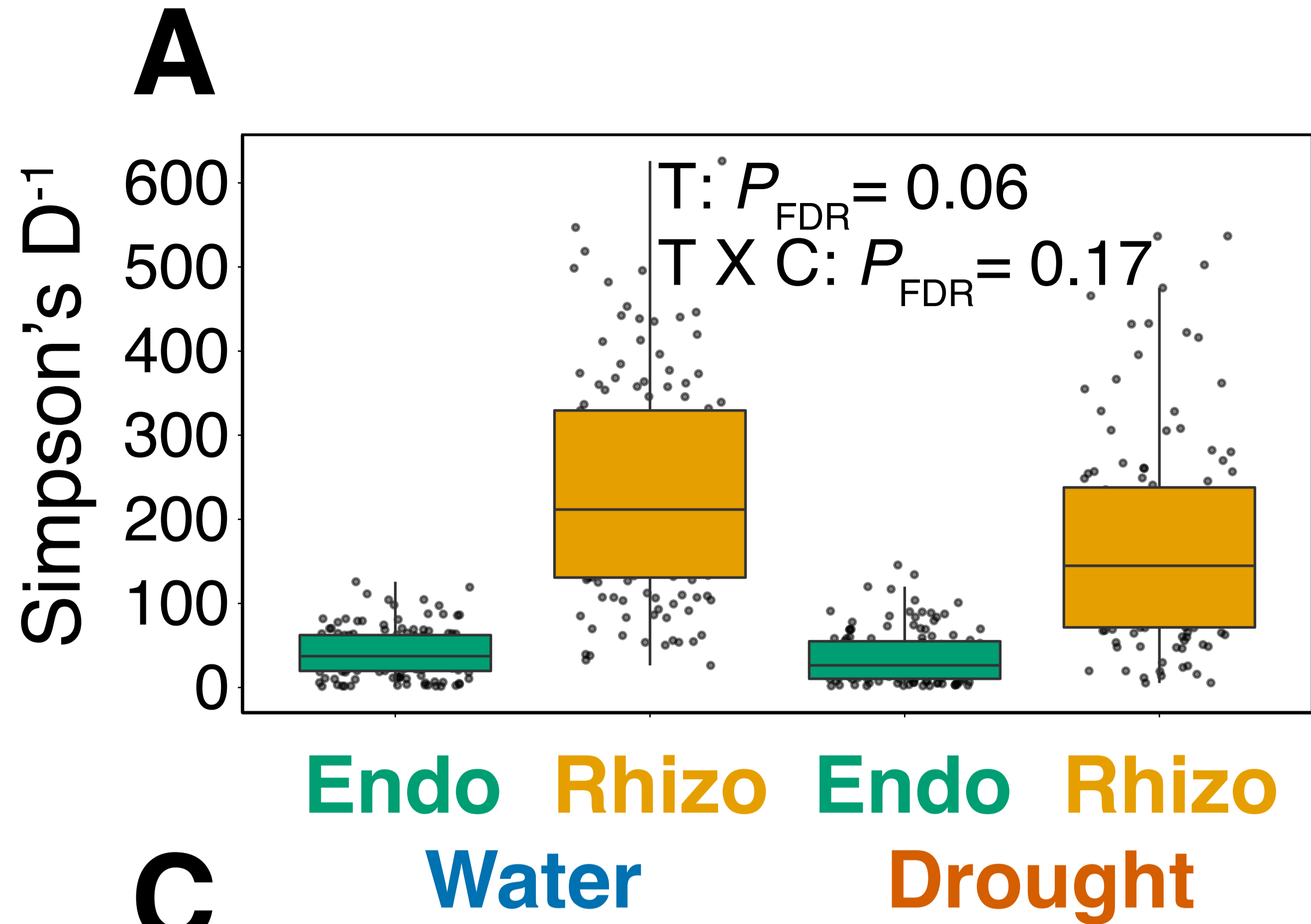


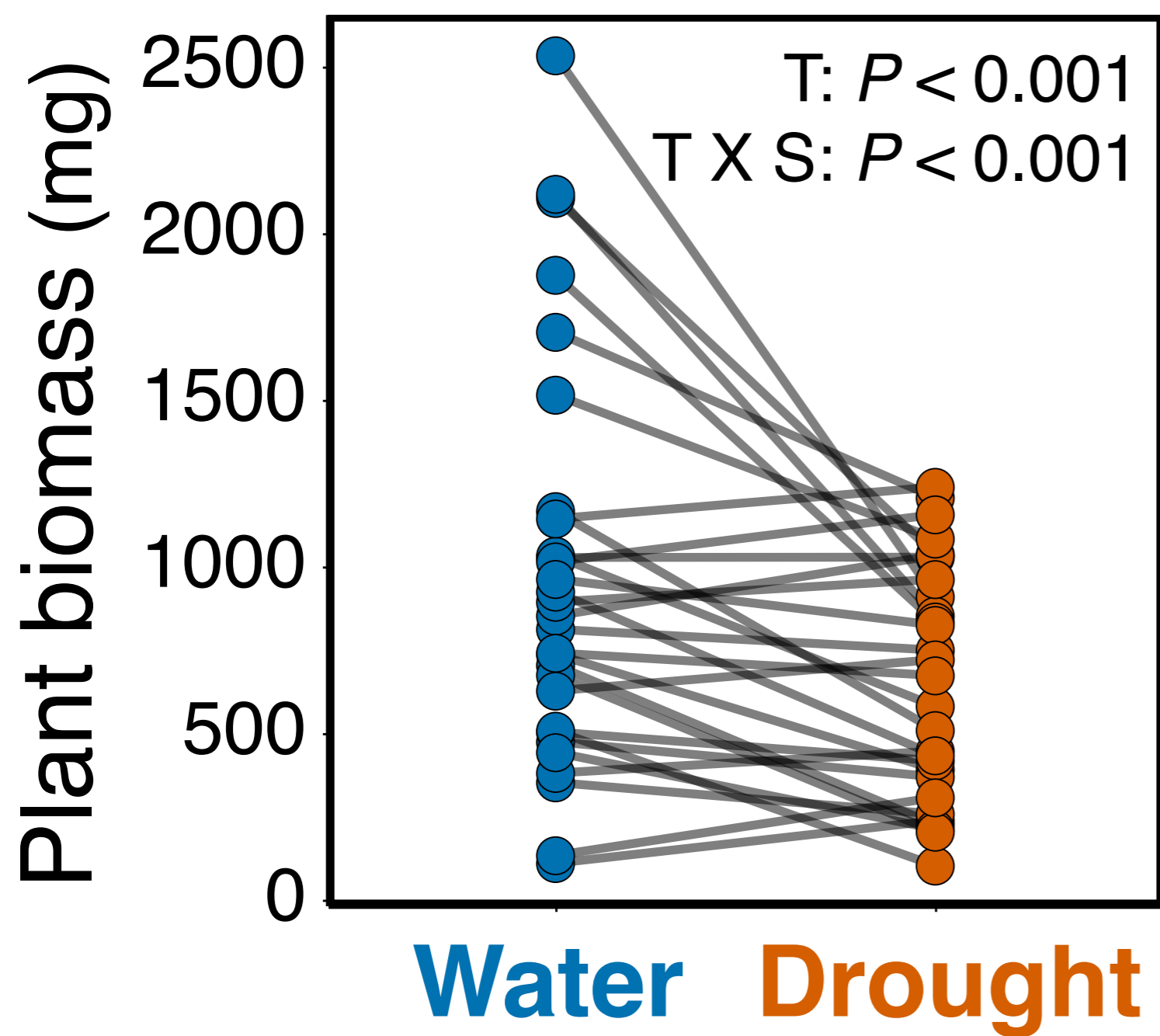
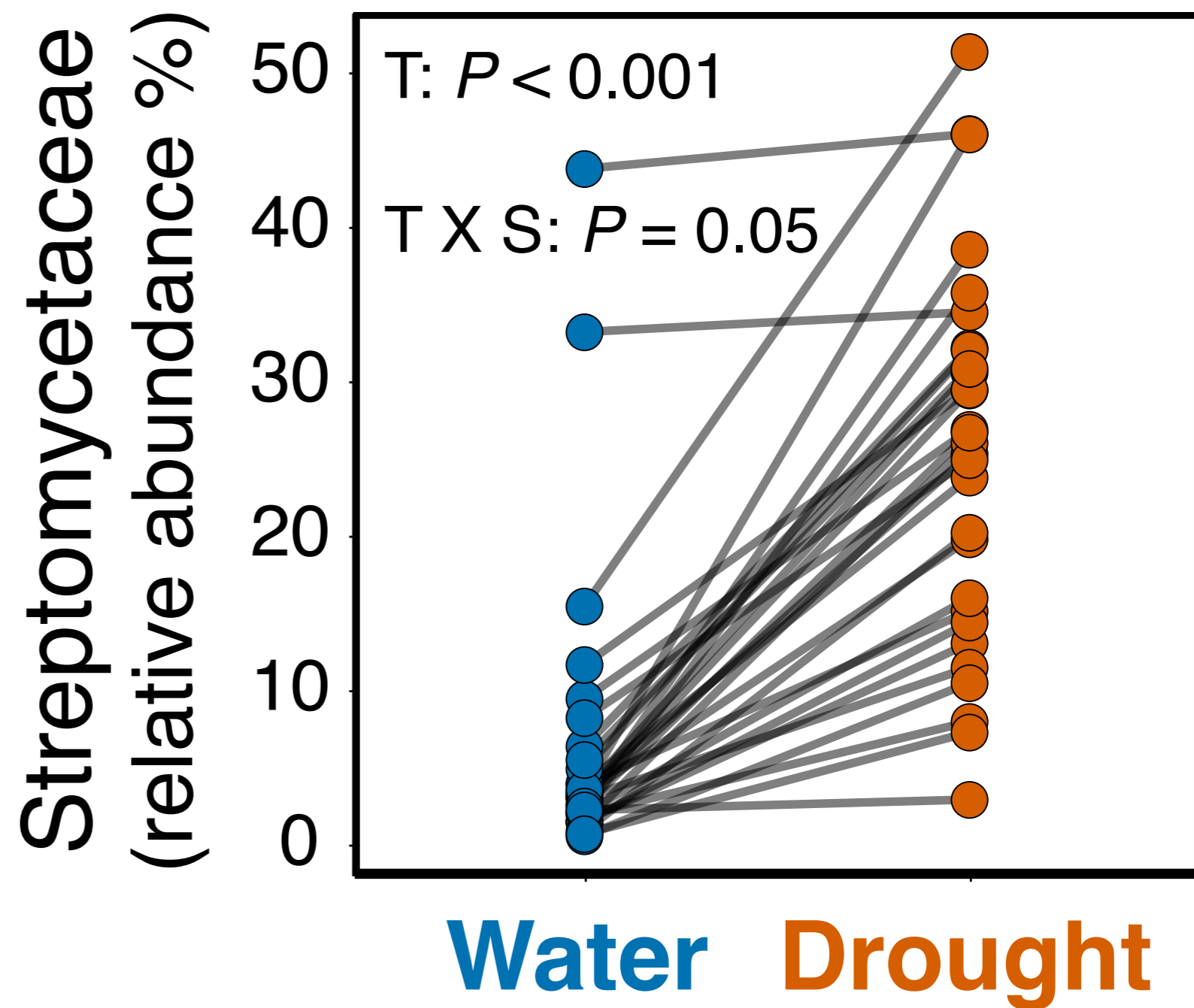
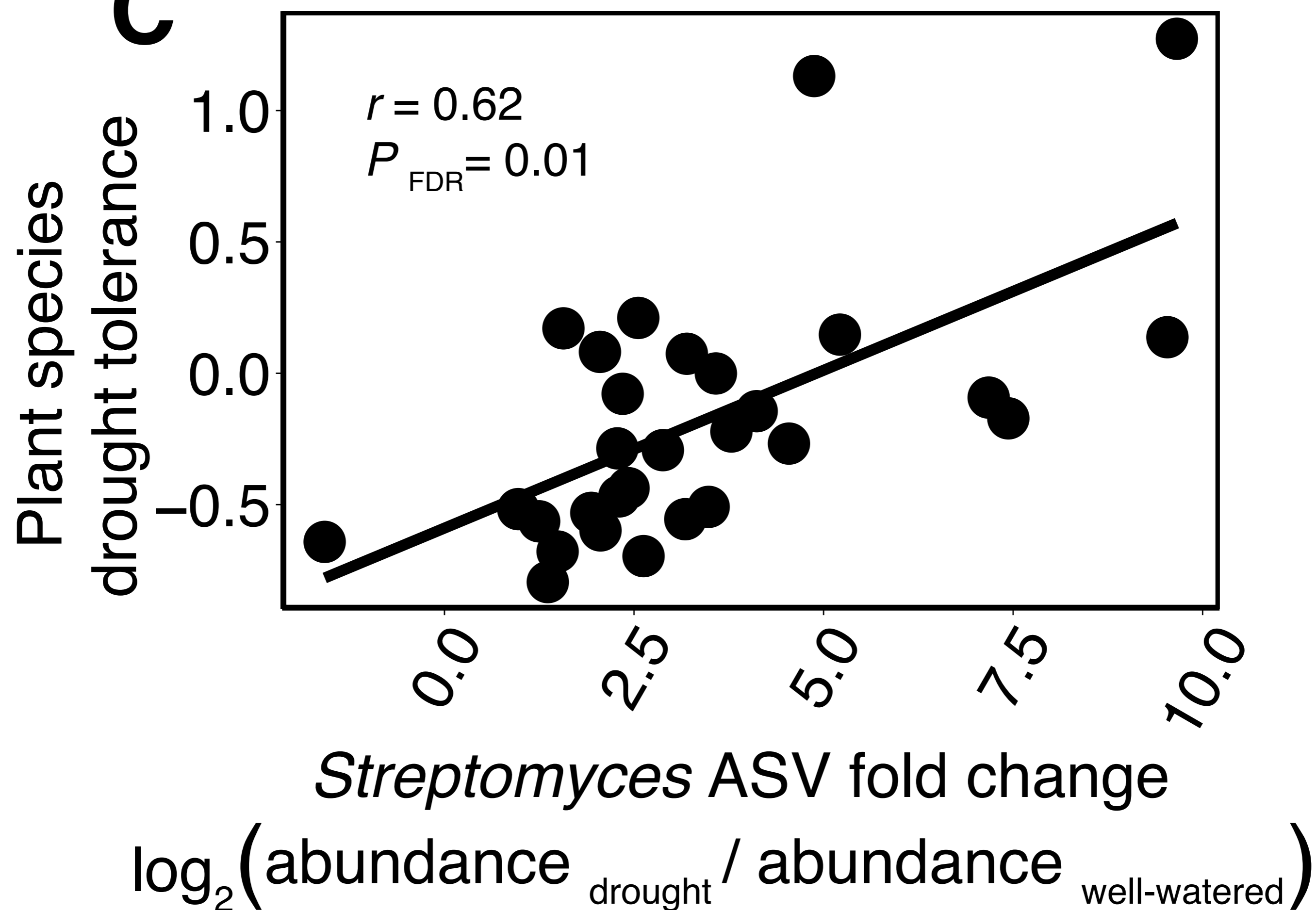
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1 **SI Appendix**

3 **Materials and Methods**

5 **Study system**

6 We selected 30 plant species from 19 plant families (Table S1) that co-occur in old field
7 and wetland habitats across north-eastern North America and span approximately 140
8 million years of angiosperm evolutionary history since their most recent common
9 ancestor. Our selection includes 21 (70%) exotic species and 9 (30%) native species
10 (USDA: <https://www.plants.usda.gov/java/>); the exotic species invaded regionally
11 following European colonization. Seeds used in our experiment were collected in
12 southern Ontario during the last 15 years from multiple plants within single open-
13 pollinated populations. The seeds were stored frozen prior to germination. All plants co-
14 occur at University of Toronto's 348 hectare Koffler Scientific Reserve (KSR), 50 km
15 North of Toronto, where our soil was collected for experiments.

17 **Plant Phylogeny**

18 We downloaded accessions of 3 genes (2 plastid and 1 nuclear) for each of our plant
19 species from GenBank: ribulose-bisphosphate carboxylase (*rbcL*); maturase K (*matK*);
20 and internal transcribed spacer (ITS) adjacent to the 5.8S ribosomal RNA gene (see
21 supplementary material for reference (1). We aligned sequences in MEGA v. 6.0 (2)
22 using MUSCLE (3) with default parameters, followed by manually checking alignments.
23 We used BEAST v. 2.1.3 (4) to build a Bayesian phylogenetic tree. For each locus we
24 implemented a standard general time-reversible model (GTR + I + Γ) and an uncorrelated
25 lognormal clock (UCLN) to determine the rate of nucleotide change. We used BEAUTi
26 (4) to constrain the topology and major clade ages of the tree based on a well-resolved
27 plant phylogeny (5). Our Markov chain Monte Carlo simulation ran for 100 million
28 generations sampled every 10,000 generations, which resulted in 9000 post burn-in trees.
29 We examined stationarity and effective sample sizes of parameter estimates (all ESS >
30 200) using Tracer v1.6 (<http://beast.bio.ed.ac.uk/Tracer>). We constructed a consensus tree
31 with mean node heights from the posterior distribution using Tree Annotator v1.6 (Fig.
32 1). We calculated the phylogenetic relatedness (patristic distance) among all pairs of
33 species and used these measures in our statistical analyses. Phylogenetic relatedness
34 between plants ranged from 0 (conspecifics) to 280 million years.

36 **Comparative root microbiome study**

37 We characterized the root microbiome of 30 plant species in a common rooftop
38 environment in the summer of 2014. We surface sterilized seed using the following
39 protocol: we placed seeds for 1 min in 70% ethanol with 0.1% tween, then 12 min in 10%
40 bleach with 0.1% tween, then we rinsed the seeds 3x with sterile water and plated them
41 on 1% agar media plates (Sigma Aldrich A1296) with half-strength MS nutrients (Sigma
42 Aldrich M5119). We staggered our seed treatment so that all species germinated over a
43 one-week period. We transplanted individual seedlings at the cotyledon stage into 1 L
44 pots filled with a combination of sterilized soil and live inoculum collected from KSR.
45 The sterilized soil was a mixture of potting soil and sand (2:3 V/V) to facilitate root
46 harvesting. After double autoclaving, 250 mL of this sterilized mixture was added to each

47 pot. We then added 750 mL (3/4 pot volume) of homogenized live inoculum to serve as
48 the source of the soil biota. The live soil inoculum was initially collected in equal
49 amounts (80 L/location) from 6 locations across KSR. These locations were
50 representative of the breadth of habitats across the reserve, which includes sand, loam,
51 and clay soil types, low-lying wetland, hardwood forests, meadow, and old-field sites.
52 We sieved the collected soil to 2mm and thoroughly homogenized it to make a single soil
53 inoculum. We kept the plants in a growth chamber for two weeks set to 25°C and 55%
54 humidity, with a 16 h photoperiod (CAN-TROL Environmental Chamber, Markham,
55 Canada) under well-watered conditions to increase seedling survival. After germination,
56 we moved plants to a polyethylene-covered hoop house on a rooftop at the University of
57 Toronto Mississauga.

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59 **Rhizosphere and endosphere sampling**

60 After 16 weeks of growth (May-September 2014) we harvested the experiment. We
61 followed, with slight modification, an established protocol that separates a root sample
62 into rhizosphere and endosphere fractions (6, 7). It was impossible to harvest the entire
63 root system from larger plant species so we standardized by mass (500 mg wet weight),
64 and relative position (we took entire lateral roots starting from the third branch below the
65 root crown). Therefore each standard root sample included tertiary roots, root hairs, and
66 root apical meristems. Additionally, we sonicated root samples for 10 min at 60 Hz
67 (Branson 521). After this, roots were placed in clean microcentrifuge tubes, flash frozen
68 in liquid nitrogen, freeze-dried, and stored at -80° C until DNA extraction.

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70 **DNA extraction**

71 After partitioning root samples into endosphere and rhizosphere fractions we extracted
72 total DNA. We used 96-well plate extraction kits (Power Soil HTP, MoBIO, CA)
73 following the manufacturer's protocol. These kits use both physical and chemical cell
74 lysing to extract DNA. Due to the physical toughness of the endosphere samples we
75 performed a tissue homogenization step prior to DNA extraction. We ground samples at
76 20 Hz for 30 seconds using a liquid nitrogen cooled tissue homogenizer (CryoMill,
77 Retsch, Germany). We included rhizosphere and endosphere samples on each DNA
78 extraction plate.

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80 **PCR amplification**

81 We amplified the V4 region of the 16S rRNA gene, a frequently used locus for
82 prokaryote community characterization by Illumina sequencing. We used a dual-index
83 approach to barcode amplified DNA at the 3' and 5' ends (8). This allowed us to
84 sequence 192 samples simultaneously while identifying the origin of each sequence. To
85 reduce co-amplification of host plant DNA we included peptide nucleic acid (PNA)
86 clamps to each reaction. PNA clamps are sequence specific and block the amplification
87 of unwanted lineages. We included PNA clamps specific to land plant plastids and
88 mitochondria (9). Each PCR included the following reagents and program:

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90 1.5 µL of 10 µM forward indexed primer (515F)

91 1.5 µL of 10 µM reverse indexed primer (808R)

92 1 µL of 25 µM mitochondrial PNA

93 1 μ L of 25 μ M plastid PNA
94 6.5 μ L PCR grade H₂O
95 12.5 μ L Kappa 2 G Mastermix
96 1 μ L gDNA template
97
98 3 min. 95° C
99 cycle start
100 15 sec. 95° C - denaturation
101 15 sec. 78° C - PNA annealing
102 15 sec. 50° C - primer annealing
103 15 sec. 72° C - elongation
104 cycle end
105 5 min. 72° C
106

107 We optimized our PCR cycle number to avoid over-amplification of our template DNA,
108 which can yield chimeric amplicons and PCR artifacts. Based on band intensity on a
109 1.5% agarose gel we determined that endosphere samples are optimally amplified using
110 24 cycles and rhizosphere samples using 20 cycles. We performed all reactions in
111 triplicate using an Eppendorf Mastercycler (Eppendorf, Germany). We ran each
112 individual reaction on a 1.5% agarose gel at 100 V for 25 mins to check the success of
113 each reaction. On each 96 well amplification plate we also included reactions with sterile
114 H₂O sample (negative control), DNA isolated from a pure culture of *Pseudomonas*
115 *aeuruginosa* (positive control), and DNA isolated from a mock community of known
116 bacteria. After pooling triplicate reactions we flourometrically quantified the amplified
117 and pooled product from each individual sample (PicoGreen, Invitrogen). For each
118 sequencing run we then added product from all individual samples to a single tube at
119 equal DNA concentration. Pooled libraries were purified with 0.8X AMPure XP beads
120 (Beckman Coulter Inc.), and quantified using the Qubit HS DNA assay (Thermo Fisher
121 Scientific). Pooled libraries were sequenced on an Illumina MiSeq using 2 X 150 bp
122 paired-end reads.
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124 **Bioinformatic pipeline**

125 After trimming primer and index sequences and demultiplexing, we processed
126 sequencing reads using the R package ‘DADA2’(10). Due to poor *Q*-scores we trimmed
127 5 bp from the start and 10 bp from the end of each paired-end sequence. We removed any
128 sequences with ambiguous nucleotide assignment, with any instance of a *Q*-score less
129 than 2, or with greater than 2 expected errors. Unique sequences were dereplicated prior
130 to inferring bacterial taxa. Unique taxa were inferred by DADA2 as Amplicon Sequence
131 Variants (ASVs) instead of Operational Taxonomic Units (OTUs). OTUs represent
132 collections of unique sequences that share a user-defined sequence similarity.
133 Comparisons across experiments are problematic because OTU identity is dependent on
134 the sequences used to perform OTU clustering. By contrast, ASVs represent exact
135 sequence variants inferred from sequence data that are directly comparable across
136 experiments and samples. Based on sequence data supplied by the user, DADA2
137 generates an error model that evaluates the probability of each unique sequence being a
138 real sequence variant versus a PCR or sequencing artifact. This results in the

139 simultaneous reduction of false positive taxa and increased resolution of sequence
140 variants that otherwise would be assigned to an OTU clustered at 97% sequence identity
141 (10). We used 50 random samples (each with > 75,000 reads) to parameterize an error
142 model for each sequencing run, which accounts for differences in sequencing
143 performance across runs. After identifying ASVs, we merged forward and reverse
144 sequences and removed chimeras, which resulted in 56,063 ASVs.

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146 We assigned taxonomy to individual ASVs using the RDP naïve Bayesian
147 classifier (implemented in DADA2) and the ‘RDP training set 14’ (11). After this we
148 used PASTA to align ASV sequences and build a maximum likelihood phylogenetic tree
149 (12). Next, we used the R package ‘phyloseq’ to further process our samples (13). We
150 removed ASVs that were unassigned to the Bacterial kingdom (1,333 ASVs removed),
151 unassigned to a bacterial phylum or assigned to plastid and mitochondrial lineages
152 (19,129 ASVs removed). This left 24,968,055 sequenced reads distributed across 35,965
153 ASVs (Fig. S14). Finally, after the above filtering, we removed samples that did not have
154 at least 800 individual sequences (6). Our final dataset consisted of 580 unique
155 microbiome samples (Table S1), each with on average 38,720 high quality sequences (\pm
156 1452; SE).

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158 To facilitate the comparison of community composition and differential
159 abundance testing of bacterial taxa we first simplified our dataset to include only the
160 common ASVs. We applied a prevalence and abundance threshold using the full dataset
161 where ASVs had to be found in at least 1% of samples (7 samples) at an abundance of at
162 least 25 sequences per sample (6). Using this prevalence and abundance threshold yielded
163 the expected number of ASVs amongst our control samples. This threshold yielded 2,799
164 ASVs, which accounted for 94% of the total number of sequences in the dataset (Fig.
165 S14). For downstream composition analyses we performed proportional abundance
166 normalization (relative abundance) on this common set of ASVs, where the sequencing
167 reads for an ASV in a given sample were divided by the total number of sequencing reads
168 in that sample (14). As an additional set of analyses, we also used the traditional
169 approach of rarefaction (to 800 reads) to normalize our dataset, which yielded
170 approximately 13,000 ASVs and accounted for less than 2% of the total read count (Fig.
171 S14). Both methods yielded qualitatively identical results; therefore we focus our
172 interpretation on the non-rarefied data because it retained a much larger portion of our
173 available data.

174 175 **Plant-soil feedback experiment**

176 To investigate how variation in the root microbiome across plant species contributes to
177 plant-soil feedback, we performed a two-generation experiment (plant-soil feedback data
178 available in reference (1). In the first generation we used our 30 plant species to condition
179 an initially homogenous field soil collected from the University of Toronto’s Koffler
180 Scientific Reserve. Pots were filled with 800 mL of sterilized soil (mixture of potting soil
181 and sand [2:3 V/V]) and 200 mL of live inoculum collected from KSR. We grew five
182 individuals from each of our 30 species under well-watered conditions following the
183 same protocol as described above for the rooftop experiment. At the end of generation

184 one (12 weeks) we harvested and pooled bulk and rhizosphere soil from five individuals
185 for each of our 30 species. Soil was preserved at -20°C until the second generation.

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187 In the second generation we selected five focal species that span the evolutionary
188 and phenotypic breadth of the 30 species from generation one. We grew *Oenothera*
189 *biennis* (Onagraceae), *Plantago rugelii* (Plantaginaceae), *Phleum pratense* (Poaceae),
190 *Lepidium densiflorum* (Brassicaceae), and *Geum canadense* (Rosaceae), in each of the 30
191 conditioned soil treatments harvested from generation one. We germinated the focal
192 species in the same manner as described previously and planted seedlings singly into 500
193 mL pots. We planted each of our five focal species into soil conditioned by each of the 30
194 species (including soil conditioned by the focal species themselves) from generation one,
195 plus a sterile potting mix treatment, for a total of 155 unique focal plant x soil treatment
196 combinations with 4 replicate pots per combination. Each pot received 400 mL of a
197 sterile potting soil and sand mixture (2:3 V/V) and 100 mL of live soil inoculum,
198 preserved from the first generation. We grew plants in a growth chamber (Convion
199 CMP6050, Winnipeg, Canada) in a randomized block design. We placed plastic portion
200 cups under plant pots to minimize the transfer of water, soil material, and
201 microorganisms between pots. Plants were unfertilized and watered *ad libitum*. We
202 programmed the chambers to simulate the average daily and weekly temperature
203 fluctuations during the months of May-August in Toronto, ON. After 8 weeks we
204 harvested all above and belowground tissue from each pot and oven-dried tissue at 60 °C
205 for 72 hours and weighed it to the nearest 0.1 mg. We used these biomass measurements
206 to calculate our plant-soil feedback metric.

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208 Our plant-soil feedback metric compares focal plant performance in soil
209 conditioned by a conspecific plant versus soil conditioned by a heterospecific plant. First,
210 we normally standardized our raw biomass data (mean = 0, sd = 1), and removed the
211 effect of spatial blocks in generation two by fitting a linear model with only block
212 included as a predictor variable. We used the residuals from this model as our new
213 response variable. For each focal species x soil conditioning combination, we calculated
214 the feedback metric as: $\ln((\text{mean total biomass of focal species}_x \text{ in soil conditioned by}$
215 $\text{species}_y)/(\text{mean total biomass of focal species}_x \text{ in soil conditioned by species}_x))$. Positive
216 values indicate that a focal species performed better in soil conditioned by a
217 heterospecific plant compared to a conspecific plant, whereas negative values indicate the
218 opposite. This feedback metric is symmetrical which means positive and negative values
219 are directly comparable. We chose this particular plant-soil feedback metric because it is
220 best suited for investigating plant-soil feedbacks among multiple plant species (15, 16).
221 We used differences in root microbiome composition and differential abundance of
222 particular bacterial taxa to predict the variation in plant-soil feedback strength and
223 direction across our pairs of interacting plant species.

224

225 **Water manipulation experiment**

226 In our comparative root microbiome study we characterized the root microbiome of 30
227 plant species in well-watered and water-limited conditions. We used a drip irrigation
228 system to precisely control the amount of water delivered to individual pots. In a fully
229 randomized block design we grew 5 individuals from each species in well-watered

230 conditions and 5 individuals in drought conditions. Well-watered pots received
231 approximately 1L of water/day and water-limited pots received approximately 0.25L of
232 water/day. Individual pots were placed in plastic dishes to eliminate the transfer of
233 material between pots. We measured the percent volumetric water content in 40 random
234 pots in each treatment bi-weekly for the course of the experiment (TDR 300, Spectrum
235 Technologies, Aurora, IL, USA). To test whether our treatment significantly altered soil
236 moisture we used a linear mixed model with watering treatment as a fixed effect and time
237 and treatment X time as random effects. We used type III Welch tests and the Kenward-
238 Roger estimator of denominator degrees of freedom from the R package ‘car’ to test the
239 significance of fixed effects. We used likelihood ratio tests comparing full and reduced
240 models to test the significance of random effects. We achieved a four-fold difference in
241 soil moisture between the two treatments throughout the experiment. To determine how
242 soil microbial communities respond to water limitation in the absence of plants we also
243 included 10 unplanted pots filled with the identical soil mixture in each watering
244 treatment. Alongside plants we also included identically treated, non-living structures
245 (bamboo toothpicks) analogous to plant roots in our root microbiome characterization (7).
246 Comparing the bacterial communities in living roots to non-living root analogues reveals
247 the indirect, host-mediated effects of drought. Our root analogues were treated identically
248 to plant roots during harvesting, DNA extraction, and rhizosphere/endosphere
249 partitioning.

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251 **Phenotypic measurements**

252 We measured traits on five well-watered individuals for each of our 30 species during our
253 rooftop water manipulation experiment (Table S2): i) total aboveground biomass, ii) total
254 belowground biomass, iii) length of longest root, iv) rooting angle; v) leaf dry matter
255 content (LDMC); vi) specific leaf area (SLA); vii) root hair density; and viii) specific
256 root length (SRL). We selected these particular traits due to their documented effects on
257 soil ecosystems and their importance in general plant ecology. Biomass traits can have
258 large effects on soil ecosystems and are often correlated with plant fitness. Root
259 morphological traits influence the physical attributes of surrounding soil and can affect
260 the colonization of particular soil microbes (17). Physiological traits of leaves and roots
261 describe soil resource consumption and can influence plant competition (18, 19). In
262 particular, SLA describes the broad resource acquisition strategy of a plant and scales
263 positively with relative growth rate and negatively with interspecific competition (19-21).

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265 We used a standardized protocol to measure phenotypic traits on each individual
266 (22). After 8 weeks we removed a leaf disc of equal area (1.54 cm^2) from each plant and
267 measured wet weight to the nearest $0.1 \mu\text{g}$ on a microbalance (XP2U, Mettler Toledo,
268 Mississauga, Canada). Then, we dried the leaf discs at 72°C for 3 days and weighed them
269 to calculate LDMC as the dry weight divided by the wet weight. Using the same leaf disc
270 we divided the area of the leaf portion by its dry mass to calculate SLA. After 16 weeks
271 of growth we cut each plant at the base of the stem where it met the soil surface and
272 placed all aboveground tissue in a paper bag and dried it for 3 days at 72°C . After
273 harvesting a standard root sample for microbiome profiling we measured root traits. We
274 used a string to trace the length of the longest root from tip to attachment to the main
275 aboveground stem and measured the length of the string. We measured root angle as the

276 average angle of the first three lateral roots below the root crown using a protractor,
277 capturing the degree of lateral versus vertical root growth. To measure SRL we removed
278 the distal 5 cm of the first 3 lateral roots below the root crown and photographed them
279 before drying. We measured the total area of these root portions and divided this by their
280 dry weight (72°C for 3 days) to calculate SRL. We also calculated the average root hair
281 density by counting the number of root hairs occurring across these 3 fragments. We
282 washed remaining belowground tissue using a sieve and water to remove all soil particles
283 and dried it for 3 days at 72° C. We weighed all tissue to the nearest 0.1g to determine
284 aboveground, belowground and total dry biomass. To create a metric of phenotypic
285 similarity we normally standardized species' mean trait values and calculated the multi-
286 trait Euclidean distance between species.

287

288 **Statistical analyses**

289 α -diversity describes the number of taxa within a community, while β -diversity measures
290 compositional differences between communities. For each sample we calculated observed
291 species richness, Shannon's diversity, inverse Simpson's diversity, and evenness
292 (measured as inverse Simpson's diversity/observed richness). We present results using
293 the full dataset but results are qualitatively similar to those obtained when using the
294 simplified or rarefied datasets (Fig. S15). Estimates of alpha diversity using the full
295 dataset are highly correlated with estimates obtained when using the simplified ($R^2 =$
296 0.99 , $P < 0.001$), or rarefied datasets ($R^2 = 0.97$, $P < 0.001$). Using the simplified dataset
297 we performed a Principle Coordinate Analysis (PCoA) using weighted and unweighted
298 UniFrac, and Bray-Curtis dissimilarity matrices. UniFrac distance provides a measure of
299 the unique fraction of phylogenetic diversity (non-shared) between samples. The
300 weighted version of UniFrac takes into account differences in taxon abundance while the
301 unweighted version does not. The Bray-Curtis dissimilarity provides a measure of
302 differences in taxon abundance between communities. Thus, two samples which exhibit
303 high Bray-Curtis dissimilarity yet relative low weighted UniFrac distance will differ in
304 their abundance of particular taxa but those taxa will be closely related to one another.
305 Analysis of these three distance measures yielded qualitatively similar results, thus we
306 focus our attention on the analysis of the weighted UniFrac distance due to its increased
307 ability to separate microbial community composition (23). We generated these
308 dissimilarity matrices from the proportional-abundance normalized (relative abundance)
309 dataset (14). We repeated the above analysis for endosphere and rhizosphere samples
310 separately. We also repeated all the above analyses using our rarefied dataset to verify
311 that our proportional-abundance normalized and rarefied datasets exhibited similar trends
312 (Fig. S4). Mantel tests between weighted UniFrac distance matrices calculated using
313 either proportional-abundance normalized or rarefied datasets yielded very high
314 correlations (endosphere, $r = 0.99$, $P < 0.001$; rhizosphere, $r = 0.98$, $P < 0.001$). We
315 analyzed sample scores along PCoA axes to determine the effect of compartment
316 (endosphere versus rhizosphere), watering treatment, and host plant species on
317 composition (Table S4).

318

319 **The effect of compartment, host plant, and watering treatment on α - and β -diversity**

320 We used linear mixed effects models (24) to analyze the effects of compartment,
321 watering treatment, and host plant species on α -diversity and β -diversity of our plant root

322 microbiomes (Table S3, S4). α -diversity was measured as observed species richness,
323 Shannon's diversity index, inverse Simpson's index, and evenness. We used the natural
324 log of Shannon's diversity and inverse Simpson's index. β -diversity was quantified
325 according to the sample scores along the first three PCoA axes repeated for Bray-Curtis,
326 weighted UniFrac, and unweighted UniFrac PCoA analyses. Initially we fit a model on
327 the full dataset which included:

328
329 response variable = compartment + treatment + compartment x treatment +
330 log(useable sequences) + host species + host species x
331 compartment + host species x treatment + host species x
332 compartment x treatment + MiSeq run + experimental block
333

334 Usable sequences was the total number of Illumina MiSeq sequence reads retained
335 in each sample; MiSeq run was the sequencing run each sample occurred on; and
336 experimental block was the randomized block in the water manipulation experiment that
337 each sample came from. Compartment, treatment and usable sequences were treated as
338 fixed effects and host species (including interactions), MiSeq run and experimental block
339 were treated as random effects. We used type III ANOVA from the R package 'car' to
340 test the significance of fixed effects (25). We performed likelihood ratio tests comparing
341 full and reduced models to test the significance of random effects using the R package
342 'lmerTest' (26). Since we found significant interactions between compartment and other
343 experimental factors we also analyzed the endosphere and rhizosphere datasets separately
344 (Table S3, S4). For these analyses using either the endosphere or rhizosphere samples our
345 model included:

346
347 response variable = treatment + log(useable sequences) + host species + host
348 species x compartment + host species x treatment + host
349 species x compartment x treatment + MiSeq run +
350 experimental block
351

352 We diagnosed the fit of our models by examining the homoscedasticity of residuals
353 versus fitted values, as well as the normality of residuals. We used the false discovery
354 rate to control for multiple hypothesis testing (27). For our analysis of community
355 composition we also performed PERMANOVA using the *adonis* function from the
356 'vegan' package in R (Table S5). PERMANOVA is a non-parametric method of
357 multivariate analysis of variance, which partitions variation in distance matrices between
358 microbial community samples among experimental factors. Findings from our mixed
359 models and PERMANOVA were very similar (Table S4, S5). We performed all the
360 above analyses with our rarefied dataset and obtained qualitatively and quantitatively
361 very similar results (Fig. S3, S4; Table S3, S4, S5).
362

363 **The effect of host phylogenetic relatedness on the root microbiome**

364 To understand how macroevolution across our clade of plant species influences the root
365 microbiome we estimated the phylogenetic signal occurring in measures of diversity. We
366 estimated Blomberg's K which measures the distribution of a trait across a phylogeny
367 and compares it to the distribution under a model of constant Brownian motion evolution

368 across the phylogeny, which is the expectation under genetic drift (28). A K of 1
369 indicates that the trait distribution across a phylogeny corresponds to a Brownian motion
370 model of evolution, whereas an increase or decrease from 1 indicates evolution has
371 caused close relatives to resemble one another more or less, respectively, than expected
372 due to genetic drift. We used the R package ‘phytools’ (29) to calculate K^* (as per 30),
373 which accounts for within-species variation, for each of our measures of community
374 diversity across our host plant species (Table S6). To test the significance of K^* we
375 performed a randomization test whereby tip data are randomized across the phylogeny
376 repeatedly while K is re-calculated each time to give the expected distribution of K if
377 there were no phylogenetic signal. The observed value of K is then compared to this
378 distribution to obtain a P-value. Additionally, we calculated Pagel’s λ and found
379 qualitatively similar patterns of phylogenetic signal.

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381 We used the patristic distance and phenotypic distance between host plant species
382 to test whether phylogenetic relatedness or overall phenotypic similarity predicted root
383 microbiome similarity. To produce a distance matrix for host plant species differences in
384 root microbiome composition, we took the Euclidean distance between host species’
385 centroids calculated from our PCoA axes. We performed Mantel tests (matrix correlation)
386 between the patristic distance or phenotypic distance matrix and the Euclidean distance
387 matrix of host plant species PCoA axis scores. For example, a Mantel test between host
388 plant patristic distance and host plant endosphere PCoA scores would yield a measure of
389 the correlation between host plant phylogenetic relatedness and endosphere
390 compositional similarity. We repeated the analysis for each of our PCoAs (Bray-Curtis,
391 weighted UniFrac, unweighted UniFrac), for endosphere and rhizosphere compartments
392 (Table S7).

393

394 **The effect of plant traits on the root microbiome**

395 We used phylogenetic generalized least squares regression (PGLS) to analyze the effect
396 of individual plant traits on the diversity and composition of the endosphere and
397 rhizosphere microbiome using the R package ‘ape’ (31). PGLS accounts for the
398 evolutionary non-independence among species by modelling residual error according to a
399 phylogenetic tree and a particular model of evolution. For each multiple regression PGLS
400 model, we determined whether the data fit an error structure corresponding to a Brownian
401 motion, adaptive optimum (Ornstein-Uhlenbeck), or a null (i.e. no phylogenetic signal)
402 model of evolution. We then used the dredge function from the R package MuMIn (32),
403 which uses maximum likelihood to evaluate multiple regression models including all
404 possible combinations of predictors. We used Akaike information criterion scores to
405 identify the best fitting models (ΔAIC_2), and report averaged, standardized trait
406 coefficients weighted by each model’s AIC score. We built separate multiple regression
407 models for each of our estimates of diversity and composition. We modelled the effect of
408 individual plant traits on plant species’ means for observed species richness, Shannon’s
409 and inverse Simpson’s diversity, and evenness for endosphere and rhizosphere
410 compartments separately (Table S8). For estimates of community composition, we took
411 the host species’ centroids calculated from our PCoA axes using weighted UniFrac
412 distances and modelled the effect of individual plant traits. We repeated the analysis for

413 endosphere and rhizosphere compartments (Table S8). We used the false discovery rate
414 to correct for multiple hypothesis testing.

415

416 **Differential abundance testing**

417 The common ASV datasets (i.e. dataset filtered using the prevalence and abundance
418 threshold), were used to test how compartment, watering treatment, and host plant
419 species affect the abundance of bacterial phyla, classes, orders, families, genera, and
420 individual ASVs (33). We used phyloseq to agglomerate our ASV count table into higher
421 taxonomic ranks and produce count tables for bacterial genera up to phyla. We used the R
422 package ‘DESeq2’, which was originally designed for RNA-seq data but is an effective
423 method to test for differential abundance in deep-amplicon sequencing studies (34).

424 DESeq2 fits negative binomial generalized linear models to count data (number of reads,
425 ASVs etc.) and estimates their \log_2 -fold change in abundance across one or more
426 interacting experimental factors. Overdispersion (high variance:mean abundance ratio) is
427 modeled by estimating feature-specific dispersion parameters. Recent benchmarking
428 work demonstrated that DESeq2 exhibits high false positive rates and reduced sensitivity
429 when library sizes across factor levels are very uneven (35). Given that our dataset
430 exhibits even library size across each of the levels of our experimental factors, we used
431 DESeq2 to determine which bacterial taxa are influenced, and how strongly, by
432 community fraction, watering treatment, and host plant species.

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434 Initially we fit a model to the full dataset, which included compartment, watering
435 treatment, host species and compartment by host species interaction. We then performed
436 likelihood ratio tests to determine whether the compartment (endosphere versus
437 rhizosphere) and the compartment by host species interaction affected the abundance of
438 individual bacterial taxa. We analyzed the effect of host species and watering treatment
439 on endosphere and rhizosphere compartments separately because our PCoA plots
440 demonstrated that these communities respond very differently to these factors. We fit a
441 model with watering treatment, host species and the watering treatment by host species
442 interaction for endosphere and rhizosphere compartments separately. We then performed
443 a series of likelihood ratio tests on nested models to determine the significance of each
444 factor on the abundance of each individual bacterial taxon. We repeated the above
445 analyses for each bacterial taxonomic level (Fig. S4). Multiple hypothesis testing at each
446 taxonomic level was corrected for by applying the false discovery rate (27).

447

448 To estimate \log_2 fold changes in abundance for a given taxon we used specific
449 contrasts implemented with a Wald test of significance. For the effect of community
450 fraction we used the full dataset to estimate the \log_2 -fold change in abundance for each
451 bacterial taxon between endosphere and rhizosphere compartments. For the effect of
452 watering treatment, separate tests were performed on endosphere and rhizosphere taxa to
453 estimate the \log_2 -fold change in abundance for each bacterial taxon between well-watered
454 and water-limited treatments. For the effect of host plant species, we estimated the \log_2 -
455 fold change in abundance for each bacterial taxon for every pairwise comparison between
456 host species and the grand mean estimated across all host species. For the interaction
457 between host plant species and watering treatment we estimated the \log_2 -fold change in
458 abundance for each bacterial taxon between well-watered and drought communities

459 separately for each host plant species. We repeated all of these analyses at each bacterial
460 taxonomic level (i.e., phylum, class, order, family, genus, ASVs). We used the false
461 discovery rate to isolate only significant estimates of \log_2 -fold change occurring at each
462 taxonomic level and for each taxon within a level. We repeated the above analysis using
463 our root analogue (toothpick) samples to determine what bacterial taxa were enriched in
464 non-living root samples and drought (Dataset S3).

465

466 **Plant-soil feedbacks and the root microbiome**

467 We sought to understand how variation in root microbial communities influenced the soil
468 feedbacks between plant species. This analysis required a measure of root microbial
469 community similarity between species to predict variation in our experimentally
470 measured plant-soil feedback. To produce a distance matrix of host plant species root
471 microbiome composition we took the Euclidean distance between host species' centroids
472 calculated from our PCoA axes (weighted and unweighted UniFrac distances). We used
473 simple linear models using pairwise plant-soil feedback measures between plant species
474 as our response variable and their pairwise root microbial community Euclidean distance
475 as our explanatory variable (Fig. S8). We then performed a permutation test to determine
476 the significance of the observed slope from our linear regression. We compared our
477 observed value to a distribution obtained after randomizing the microbial community
478 composition data and performing the same linear regression 10,000 times (Fig. S8). For
479 each randomization, values of endosphere or rhizosphere dissimilarity were permuted
480 among pairs of plant species while their phylogenetic relatedness was left intact.

481

482 To understand how individual bacterial taxa might be driving plant-soil
483 feedbacks, we performed a more targeted analysis. First, using the differential abundance
484 results, we created a list of all bacterial taxa at each taxonomic rank in the endosphere
485 and rhizosphere that were significantly affected by host plant species (host-responsive).
486 We then calculated \log_2 -fold changes occurring for each of these taxa between each
487 unique focal plant species X soil-conditioning plant species pairs using DESeq2. We used
488 the common endosphere or rhizosphere dataset and fit a model with watering treatment
489 and host plant species. Using specific contrasts implemented with a Wald χ^2 test we
490 obtained \log_2 fold change estimates for each bacterial taxon between focal plant species
491 X soil-conditioning species pairs. We correlated the pairwise plant-soil feedback
492 measures between plant species with their \log_2 fold change estimate for each of our host-
493 responsive bacterial taxa (Dataset S2). We used the false discovery rate to control for
494 multiple hypothesis testing (27). These correlations identify bacterial taxa whose
495 differential abundance between plant host species is significantly related to the strength
496 of plant-soil feedback.

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498 **The effect of root microbiome composition on drought tolerance**

499 The effect of drought on the composition of the root microbiome was not uniform across
500 plant species (Fig. S7, Table S4). We sought to test whether differences in root microbial
501 composition across plant species in response to drought was related to drought tolerance
502 of host plants. Drought tolerance of each species was calculated as the proportional
503 reduction in biomass due to drought:

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$$\text{Drought tolerance} = \frac{\text{Biomass}_{\text{drought}} - \text{Biomass}_{\text{watered}}}{\text{Biomass}_{\text{watered}}}$$

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507 Negative values indicate a loss of biomass in response to drought while positive values
508 indicate a gain in biomass (Fig. S10). Next, average plant species scores along the first
509 two PCoA axes of the weighted UniFrac distance ordination of endosphere and
510 rhizosphere communities in drought conditions were correlated with drought tolerance.
511 This tested whether overall measures of community composition, captured by our
512 ordinations, predicted variation in drought tolerance among plant species. We also tested
513 whether compositional shifts in response to drought, captured by our ordinations,
514 predicted drought tolerance. Our measure of compositional shift was the Euclidean
515 distance between plant species' PCoA (weighted and unweighted UniFrac distance)
516 centroids of endosphere and rhizosphere compartments in drought versus well-watered
517 conditions. Additionally, we tested whether endosphere or rhizosphere diversity under
518 drought conditions was correlated with drought tolerance across host plant species.

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520 Next, we asked how individual bacterial taxa in roots might be related to plant
521 drought tolerance. First, using our differential abundance results, we created a list of all
522 bacterial taxa found in endosphere and rhizosphere compartments at each taxonomic rank
523 that were significantly affected by the drought treatment (e.g. Fig. S9 and S11). We
524 estimated the log₂-fold change in abundance for each bacterial taxon between well-
525 watered and drought conditions separately for each host plant species. We used the
526 common endosphere or rhizosphere dataset and fit a model with watering treatment and
527 host plant species and obtained specific contrasts implemented with a Wald χ^2 test . We
528 correlated the log₂-fold change between watering treatments for each drought-sensitive
529 bacterial taxon with host plant species' drought tolerance (Dataset S4). We used the false
530 discovery rate to control for multiple hypothesis testing. These correlations identify
531 bacterial taxa whose host-specific change in abundance between watering treatments is
532 significantly related to host drought tolerance.

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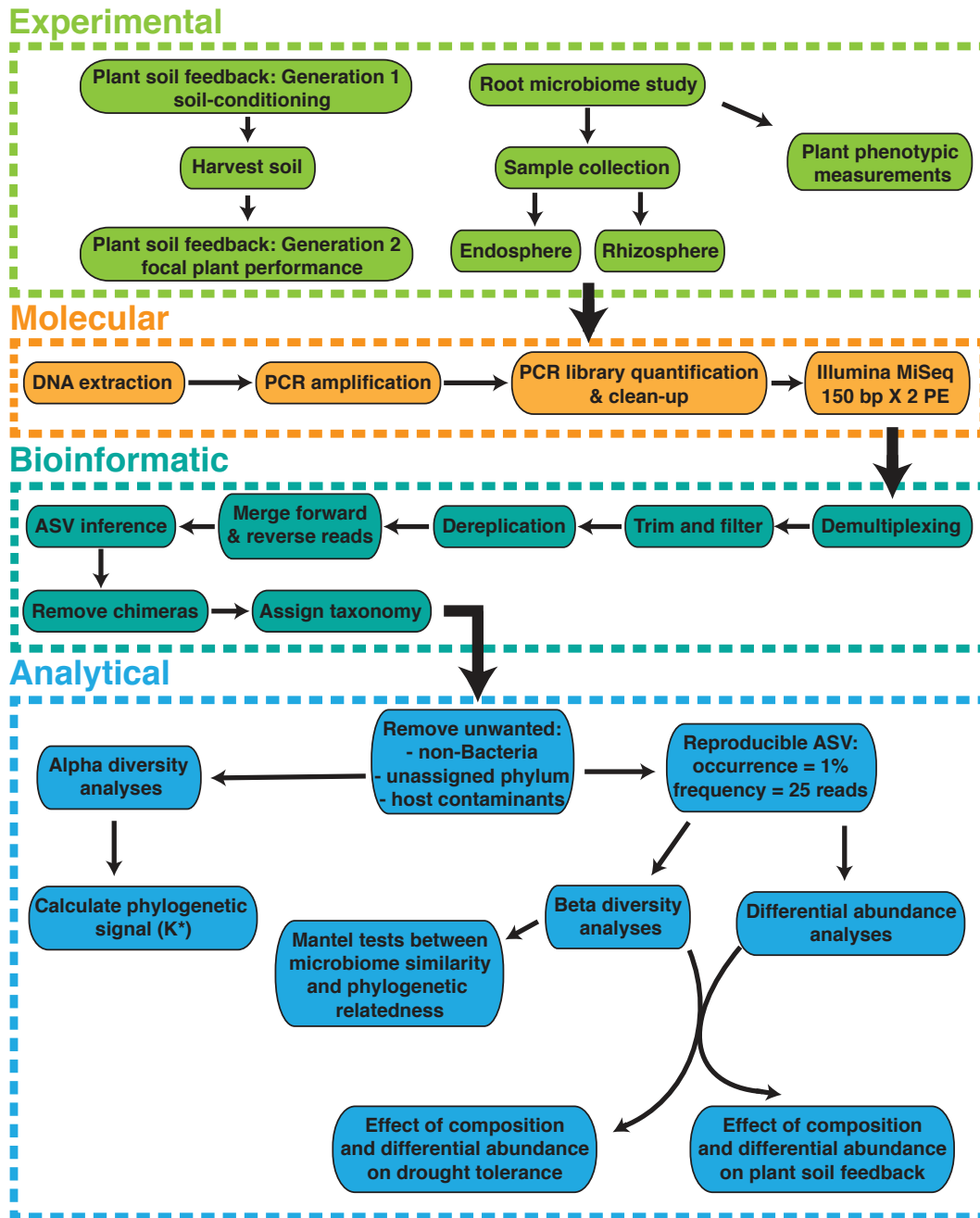


Fig. S1 | Flow chart of the experimental, molecular, bioinformatic and analytical components of the project.

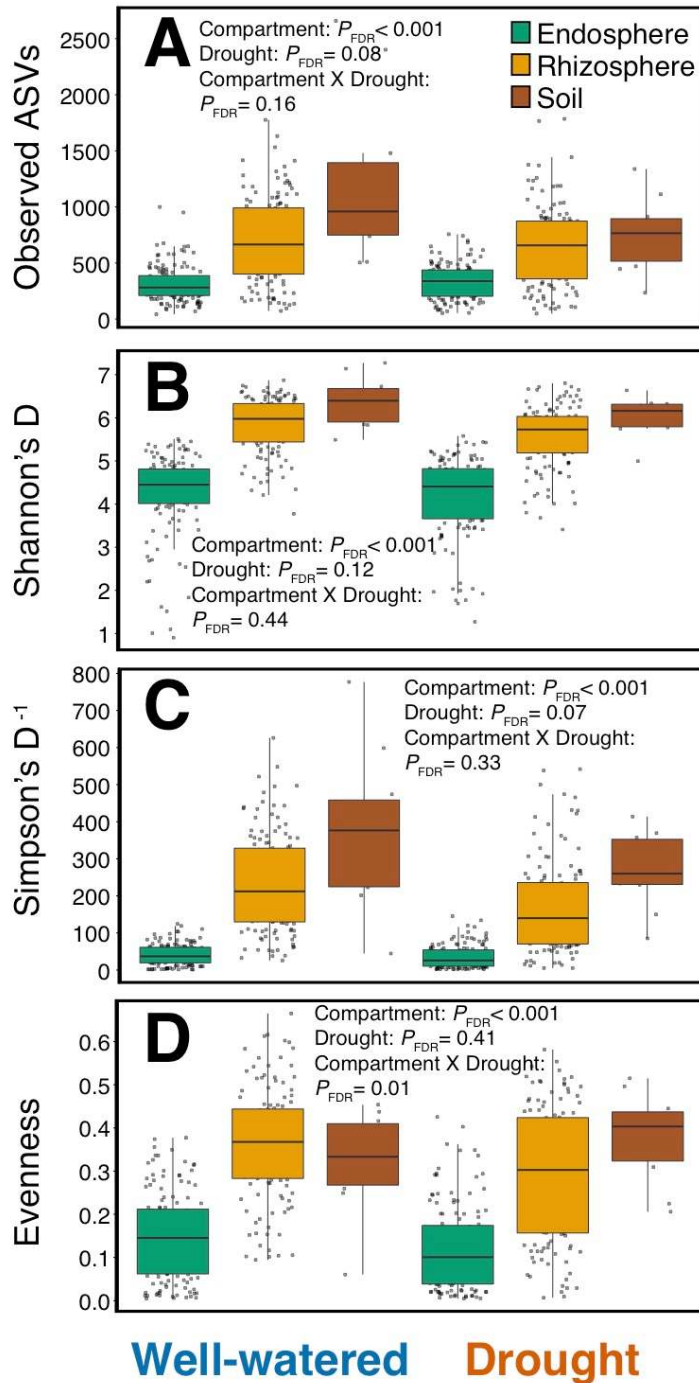


Fig. S2 | Alpha diversity varies across bacterial compartment and watering treatment. (A) Compartment has strong effects on species richness (B), Shannon's diversity (C), Simpson's diversity⁻¹ and (D), evenness. Drought only directly influences Simpson's diversity⁻¹ and interacts with compartment to influence evenness. All *P*-values adjusted using the false discovery rate.

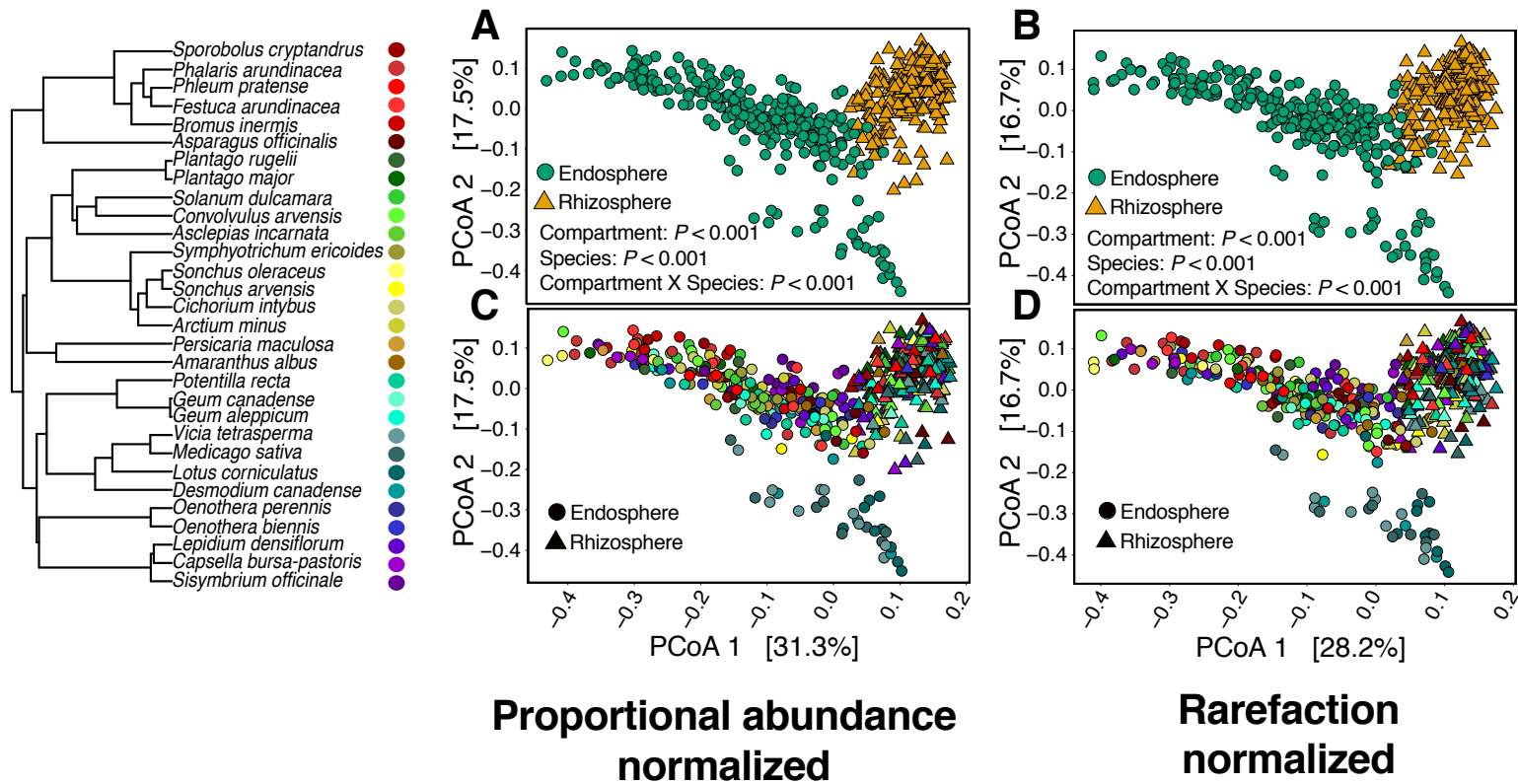


Fig. S3 | Principal coordinate analysis grouped by compartment and host plant species across ASV processing method. (A and C) PCoA using weighted pairwise UniFrac distances and proportional abundance normalized or (B and D), rarefaction normalized datasets. The proportional abundance normalized dataset also includes a 1% sample occurrence X number of read ≥ 25 threshold i.e. an ASV must be found in 7 samples at a frequency of at least 25 reads. (A and B), Using either ASV processing method yields nearly identical patterns of ordination across compartment or (C and D), host plant species. Host plant species are colored to represent evolutionary relationships. We report P values from our PERMANOVA results.

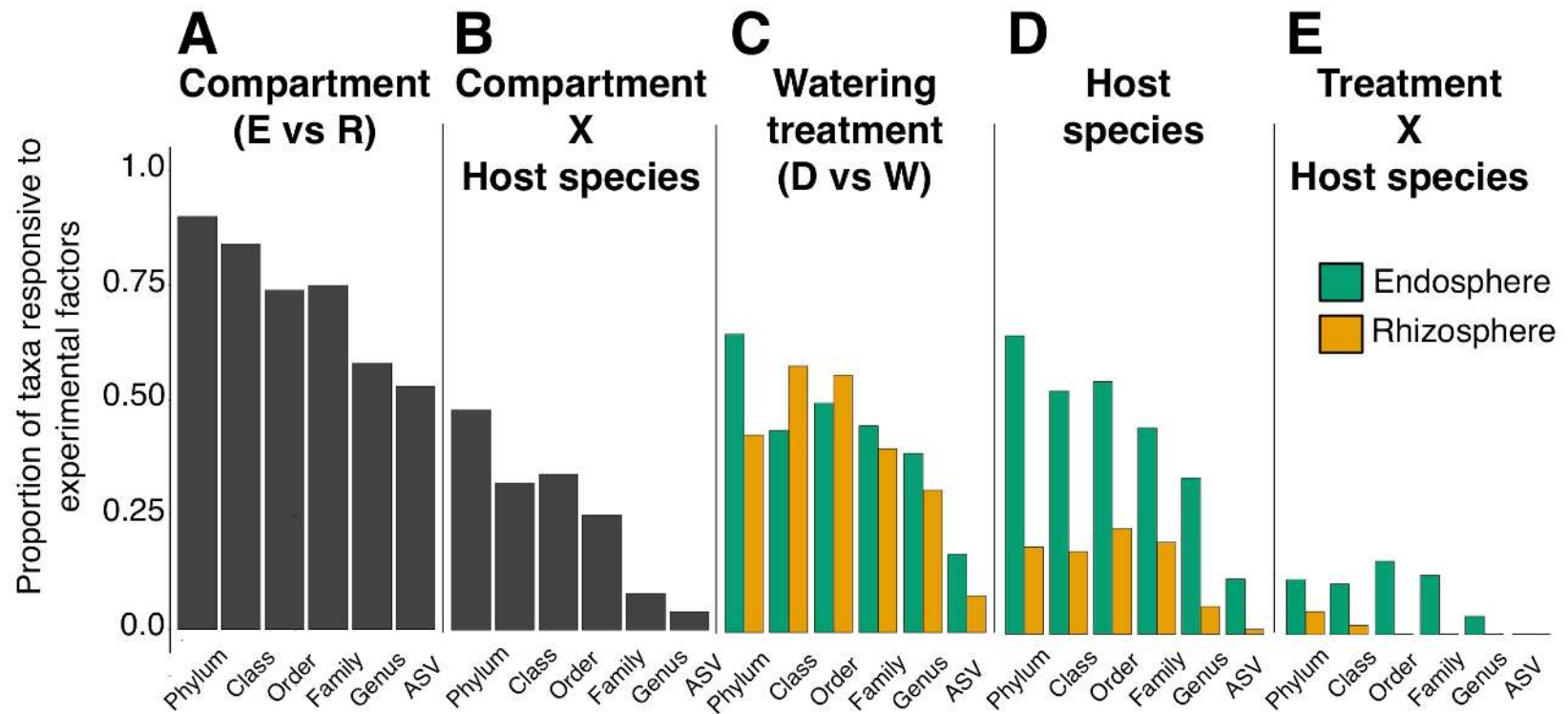


Fig. S4 | The proportion of bacterial taxa exhibiting differential abundance across experimental factors at different taxonomic levels. We grouped individual ASVs according to taxonomic level (phylum, class, order, family, and genus). Then, negative binomial models were implemented in the R package ‘DESeq2’ to test whether individual taxa at each taxonomic level exhibit differential abundance across experimental factors: (A) compartment; (B) compartment X host plant species; (C) watering treatment; (D) host plant species; (E) watering treatment X host plant species. We tested for significance using negative binomial generalized linear models and corrected *P*-values using the false-discovery rate.

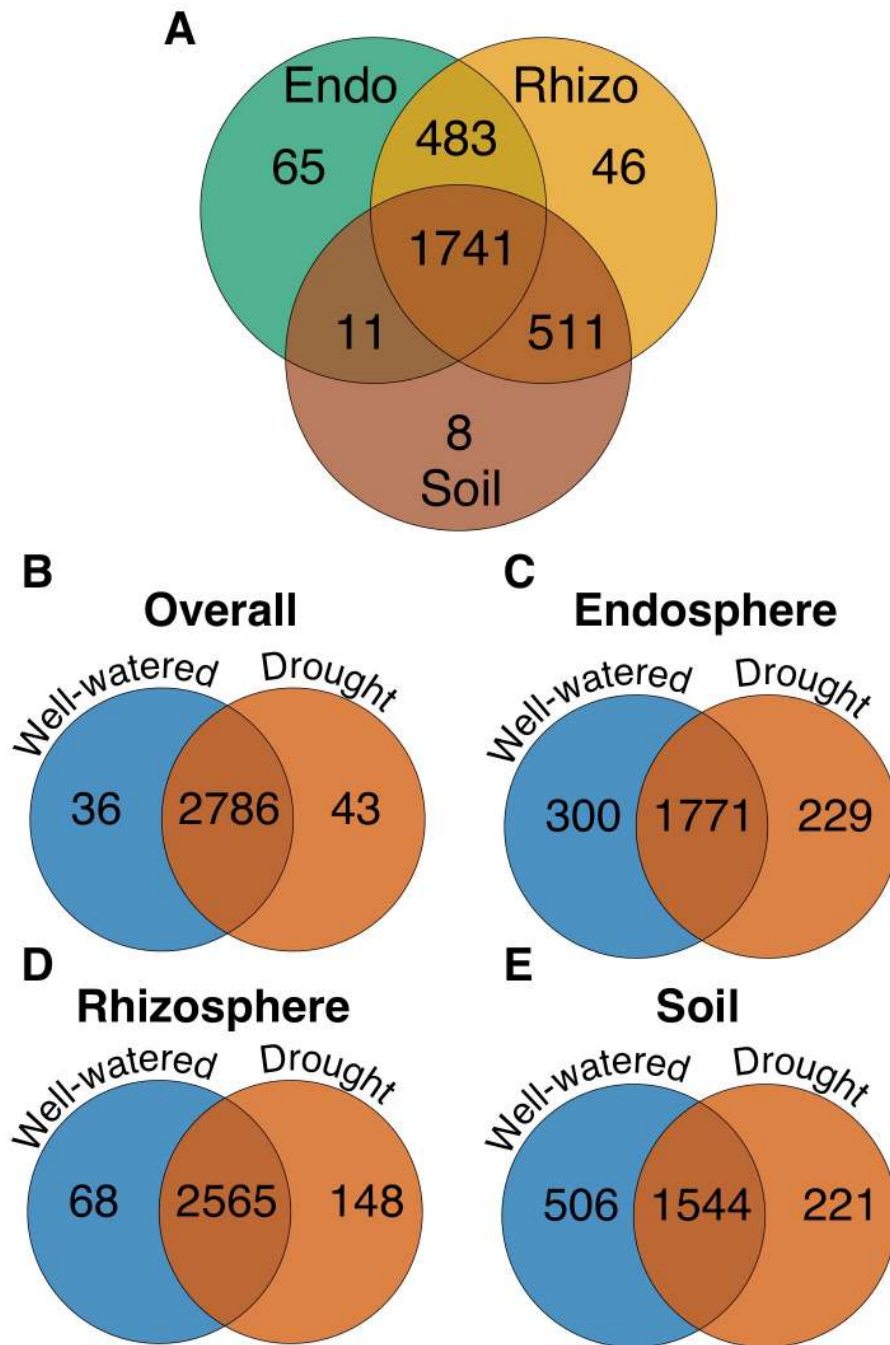


Fig. S5 | The number of bacterial ASVs found exclusively in particular root compartments or watering treatments. Venn diagrams illustrating bacterial ASVs shared among (A) compartments, (B) well-watered and drought compartments, and between watering treatments in each of (C) endosphere, (D) rhizosphere, and (E) soil compartments.

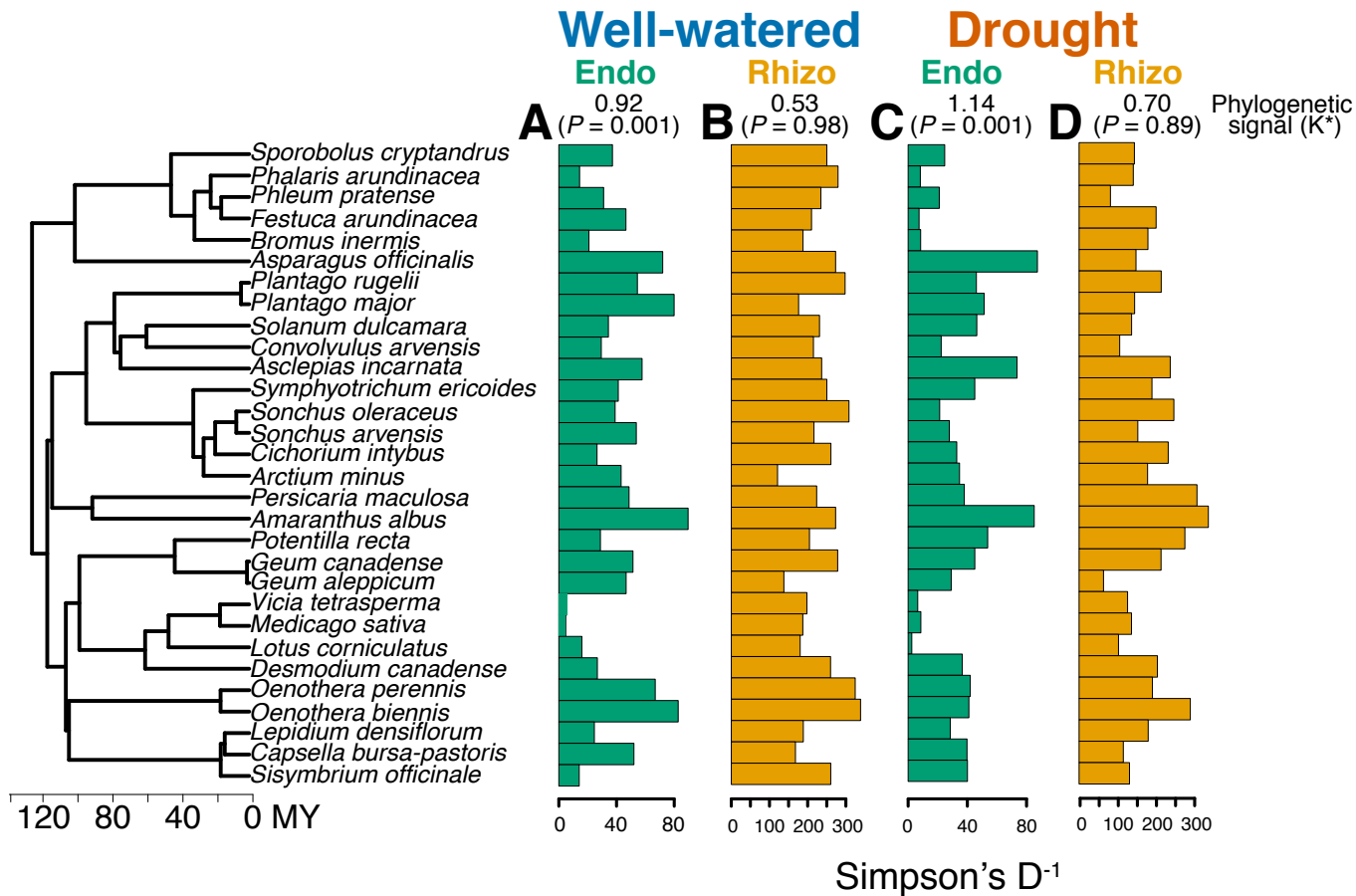


Fig. S6 | The effect of host plant species and watering treatment on endosphere and rhizosphere diversity. Simpson's diversity⁻¹ in (A and C) endosphere and (B and D) rhizosphere compartments across (A and B) well-watered and (C and D) drought treatments. Regardless of watering treatment endosphere diversity exhibited significant phylogenetic signal while rhizosphere diversity did not.

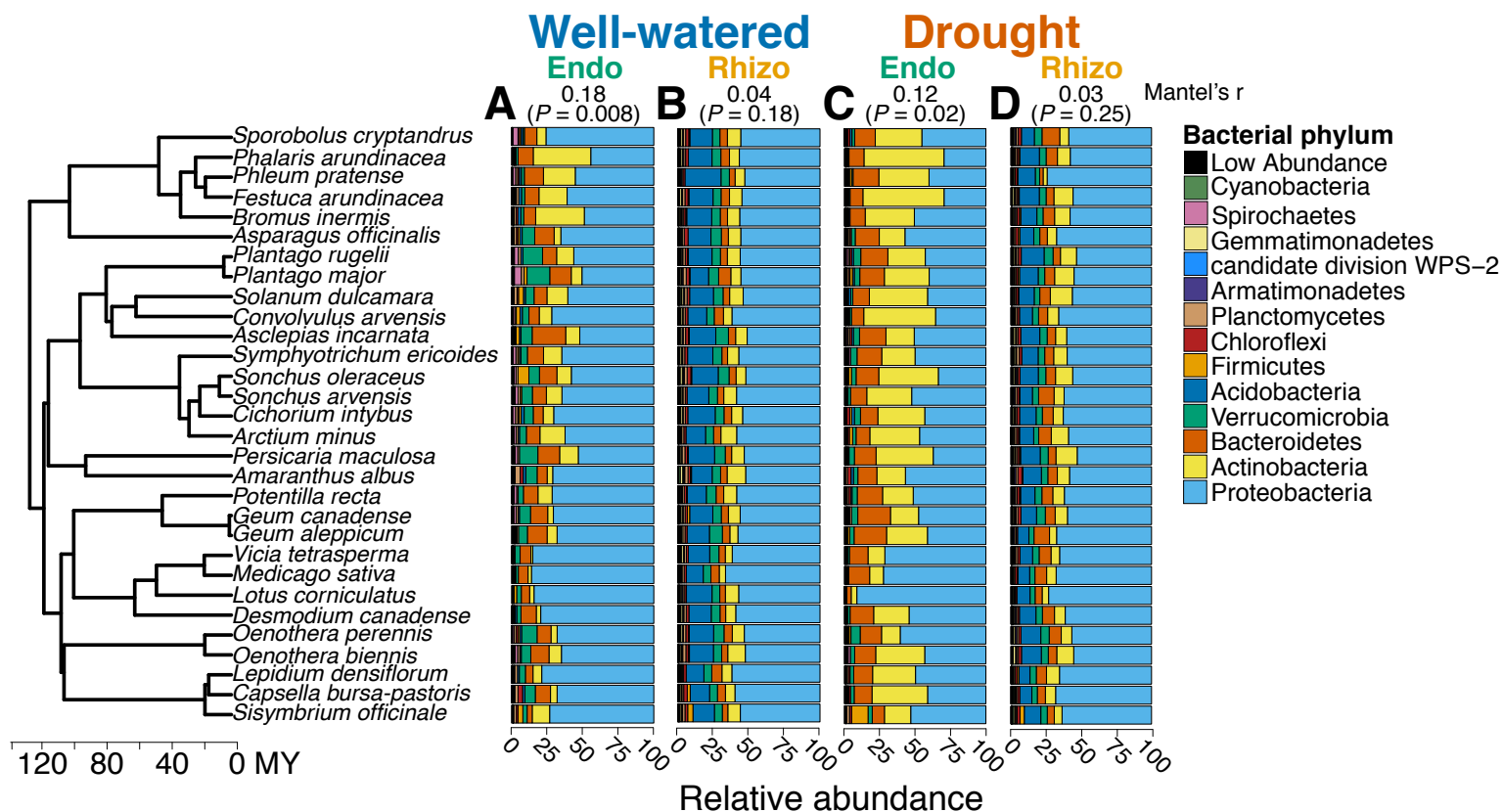


Fig. S7 | The relative abundance of bacterial phyla in the endosphere and rhizosphere of different host plant species under drought and well-watered conditions. We found evidence of a significant interaction between compartment, watering treatment, and host plant species on the composition of root microbial communities (see Table S6). Host plant species differ in the composition of their endosphere under (A) well-watered versus (C) drought, whereas host plant species do not differ in the composition of their rhizosphere under (B) well-watered or (D) drought conditions. Using Mantel tests, we also found a significant correlation between endosphere similarity and phylogenetic relatedness among host plants, whereas rhizosphere similarity was uncorrelated with host plant phylogenetic relatedness.

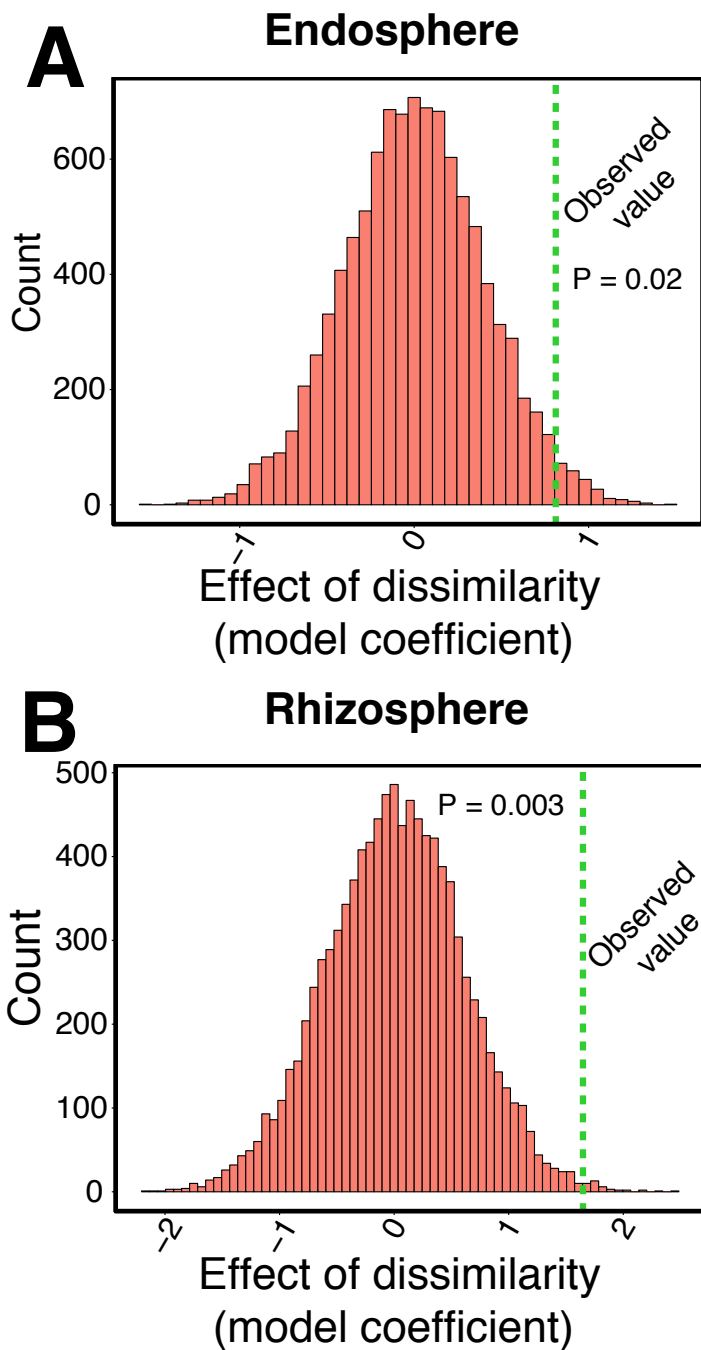


Fig. S8 | The effect of community composition on plant-soil feedback. We tested whether (A) endosphere or (B) rhizosphere similarity between pairs of species is related to their experimentally measured plant-soil feedback. We then performed a permutation test to determine the significance of the observed slope (model coefficient) from our linear regression relative to a null distribution. We compared our observed value to a distribution obtained after randomizing the microbial similarity data and performing the same linear regression 10000 times.

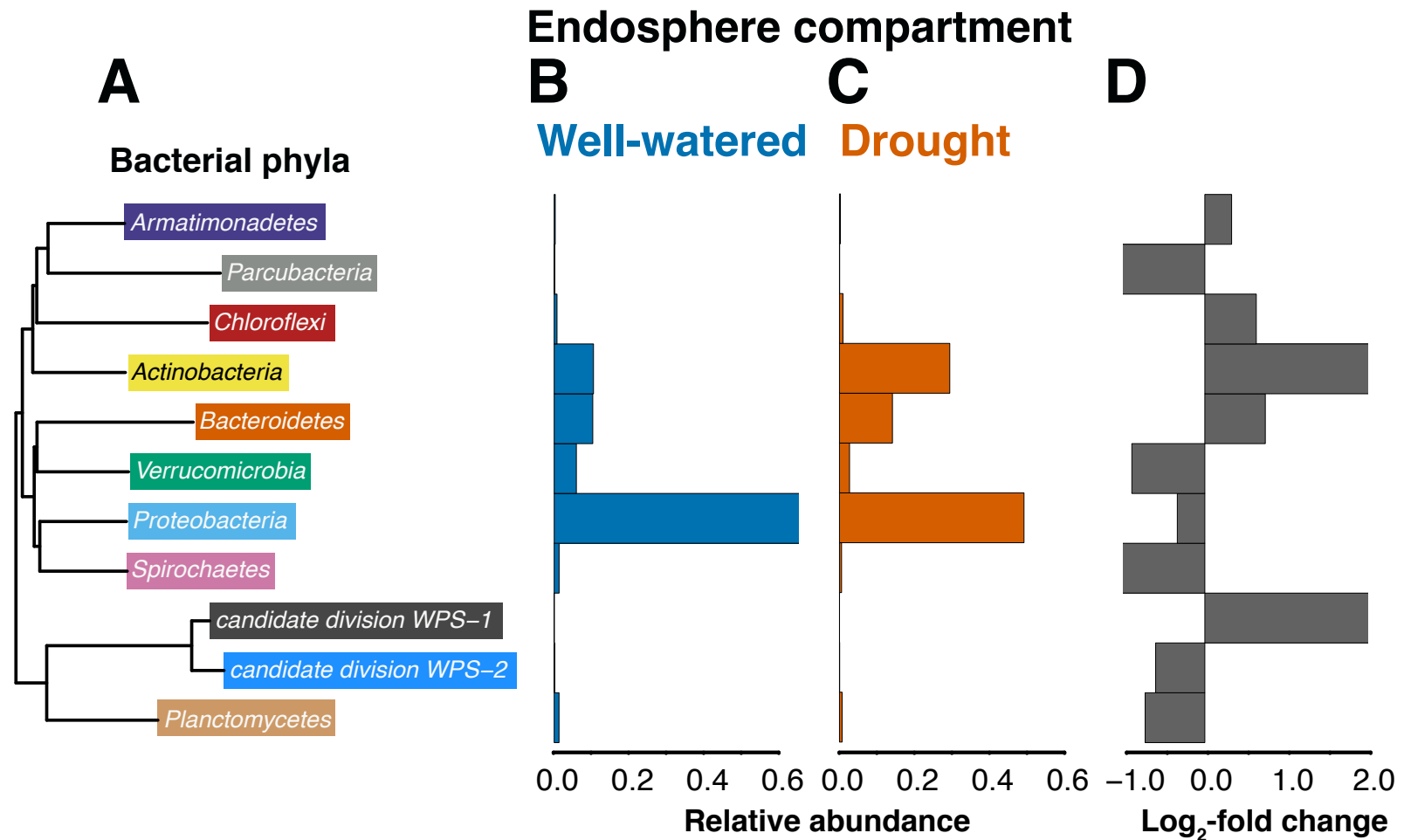


Fig. S9 | Bacterial phyla enriched in the endosphere under drought. (A) Bacterial phyla that exhibit significant differential relative abundance between (B) well-watered and (C) drought conditions. Significance testing and (D) estimates of log-fold changes were obtained from the R package ‘DESeq2’. Bars represent relative abundance of taxa averaged across all host plants in each watering treatment calculated from our 1% sample occurrence X number of read ≥ 25 threshold dataset.

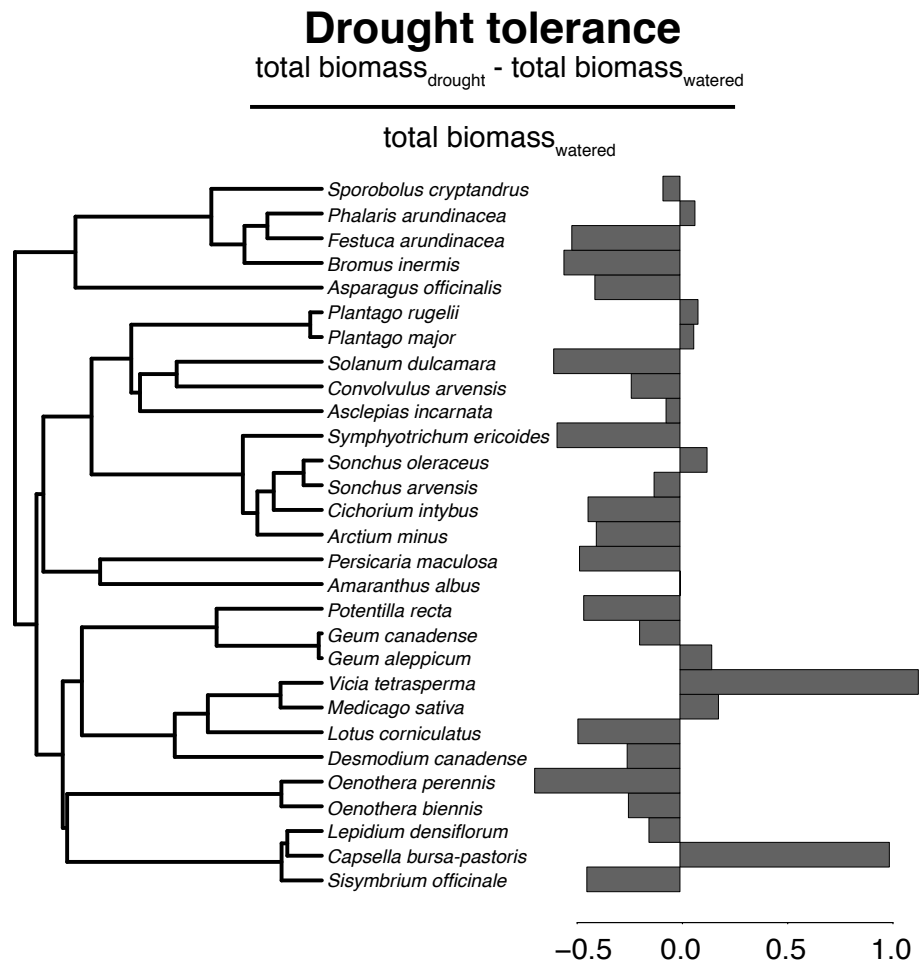


Fig. S10 | Plant species vary in drought tolerance. We measured drought tolerance in each plant species by the proportional mass loss calculated from 5 individuals growing in well-watered and 5 individuals growing in drought conditions. Drought tolerance did not exhibit significant phylogenetic signal across plant species.

Endosphere compartment

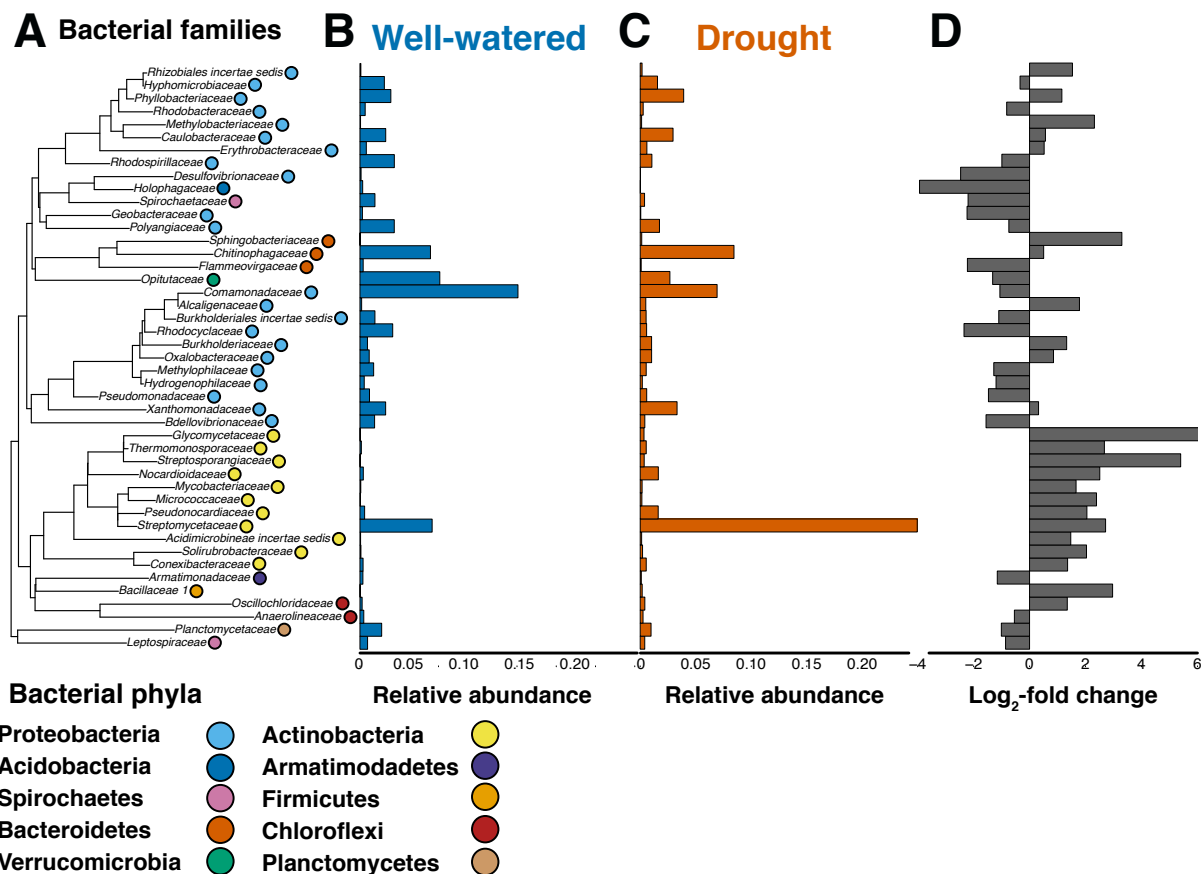


Fig. S11 | Bacterial families enriched in the endosphere under drought. (A) Bacterial families that exhibit significant differential relative abundance between (B) well-watered and (C) drought conditions. Significance testing and (D) estimates of log-fold changes were obtained from the R package ‘DESeq2’. Bars represent relative abundance of taxa averaged across all host plants in each watering treatment calculated from our 1% sample occurrence X number of read ≥ 25 threshold dataset.

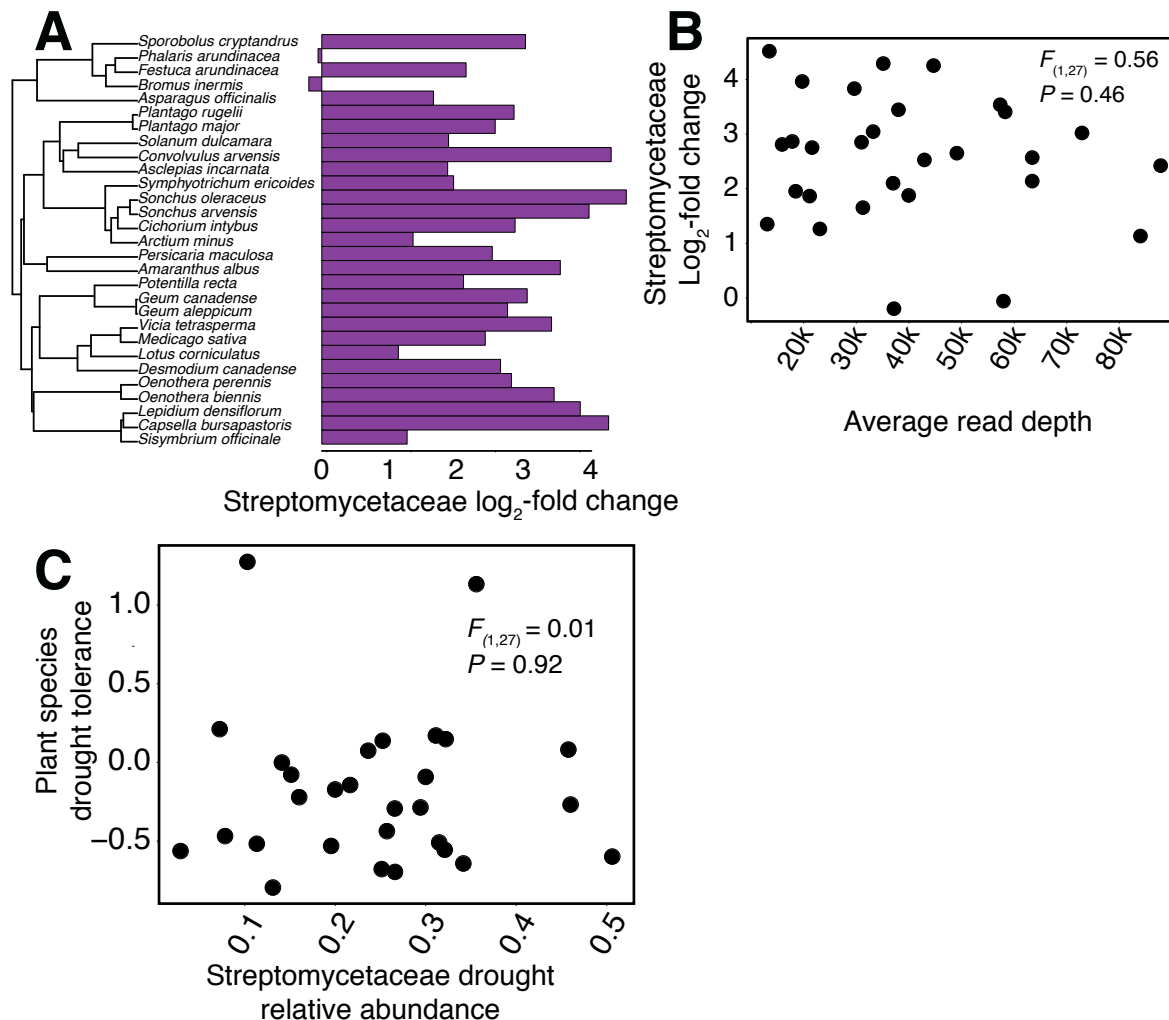


Fig. S12 | Variation in the relative enrichment of endosphere Streptomyces is unrelated to read depth or relative abundance under drought conditions. (A) Host plant species varied in their relative enrichment of Streptomyces under drought. (B) Relative enrichment of Streptomyces is unrelated to read depth across plant species, which demonstrates that variation in Streptomyces enrichment is not simply an artifact of sequencing depth. (C) The relative abundance of Streptomyces under drought conditions is uncorrelated with relative enrichment of Streptomyces. This result indicates that the benefit of endosphere Streptomyces under drought conditions is not reflected in relative abundance but instead relative enrichment (main text Fig. 4C) and that plant species exhibiting high relative enrichment do not necessarily exhibit high relative abundance.

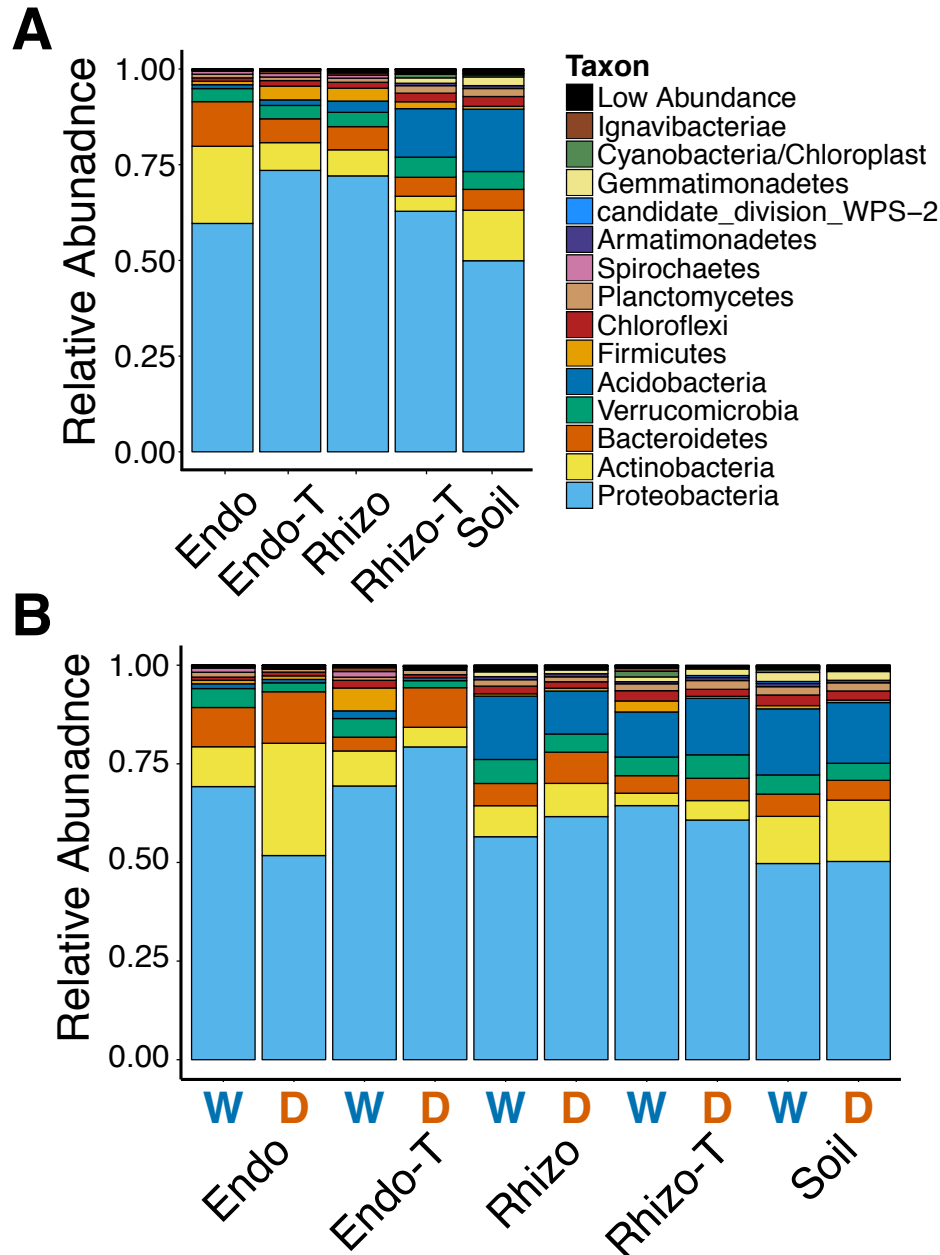


Fig. S13 | Comparing the plant root microbiome to an artificial root analog microbiome. We used autoclaved bamboo toothpicks (T) to serve as structural analogs to living roots (Rhizo-T = root analog rhizosphere; Endo-T = root analog endosphere). (A) Comparing the community composition of living plant roots to root analogs distinguish between bacterial taxa that might be responsive to features of live roots versus taxa inhabiting any structure composed of plant cells. (B) Furthermore, we did not observe congruent compositional shifts between the microbiota of living plant roots and root analogues, which indicates that our observed effects of drought on root microbiota are largely driven by living, host plant responses.

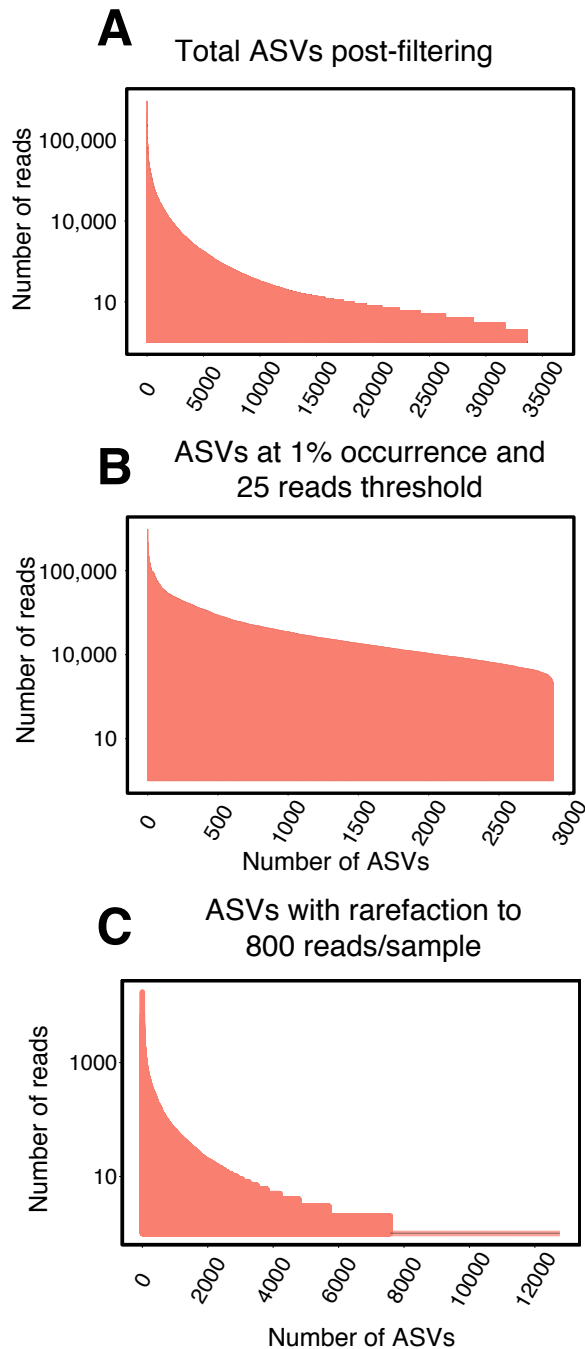


Fig. S14 | The effect of ASV processing method on read distribution across bacterial ASVs. The number of sequencing reads associated with individual bacterial ASVs in the entire dataset when applying: (A) no normalization, (B) a 1% relative abundance sample occurrence and a read depth of ≥ 25 per ASV, or (C) rarefaction to 800 reads per sample. A 1% sample occurrence and ≥ 25 read depth threshold captures 94% of all sequenced reads from (A), whereas rarefaction captures $< 2\%$.

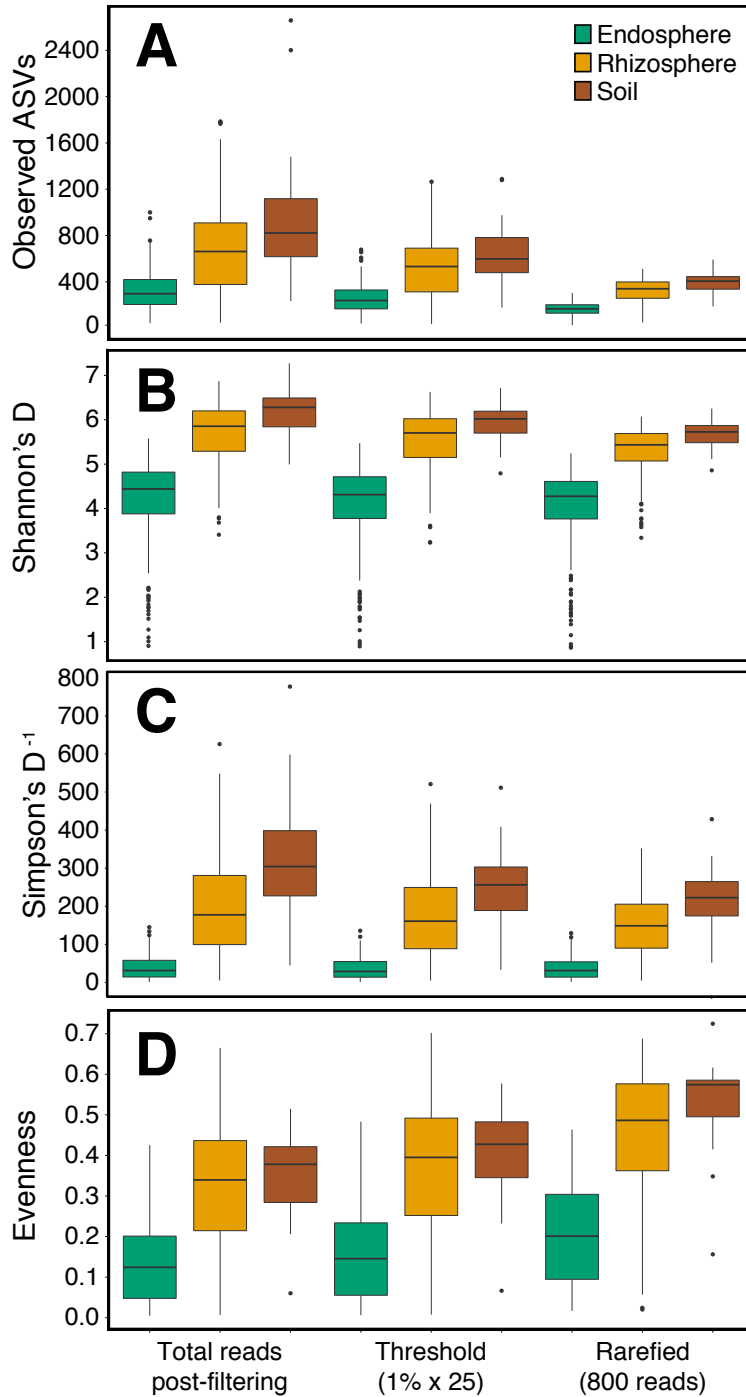


Fig. S15 | The effect of ASV processing method on alpha diversity. Shown is the average microbial diversity per plant according to (A) species richness, (B) Shannon's diversity, (C) Simpson's diversity, or (D) evenness. Using total reads post-filtering, a 1% relative abundance sample occurrence and a read depth of ≥ 25 per ASV or rarefaction to 800 reads per sample changes the estimates of alpha diversity across bacterial compartments. ASV processing method has no effect on the qualitative differences in diversity between endosphere, rhizosphere and soil.

Table S1 | The total number of endosphere and rhizosphere samples for each host plant species in each watering treatment. Additionally, the number of bulk soil and toothpick samples collected from each watering treatment. Note, we collected endosphere and rhizosphere samples for toothpicks as described in the supplemental materials and methods.

Species	Host Plant Species		Endosphere		Rhizosphere	
	Family	Native/Exotic	Well-watered	Drought	Well-watered	Drought
<i>Amaranthus albus</i>	Amaranthaceae	Exotic	5	5	4	5
<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	Apocynaceae	Native	5	5	4	4
<i>Asparagus officinalis</i>	Asparagaceae	Exotic	4	5	5	4
<i>Arctium minus</i>	Asteraceae	Exotic	2	5	4	4
<i>Symphyotrichum ericoides</i>	Asteraceae	Native	4	5	2	4
<i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>	Asteraceae	Exotic	5	4	4	4
<i>Sonchus arvensis</i>	Asteraceae	Exotic	4	6	4	5
<i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i>	Brassicaceae	Exotic	6	3	4	3
<i>Lepidium densiflorum</i>	Brassicaceae	Native	4	4	5	5
<i>Sisymbrium officinale</i>	Brassicaceae	Exotic	6	3	4	3
<i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>	Convolvulaceae	Exotic	5	5	4	3
<i>Desmodium canadense</i>	Fabaceae	Native	5	5	4	5
<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	Fabaceae	Exotic	5	5	5	5
<i>Medicago sativa</i>	Fabaceae	Exotic	4	5	5	5
<i>Vicia tetrasperma</i>	Fabaceae	Exotic	5	5	5	5
<i>Oenothera biennis</i>	Onagraceae	Native	5	5	2	4
<i>Oenothera perennis</i>	Onagraceae	Native	4	4	4	5
<i>Plantago major</i>	Plantaginaceae	Exotic	6	2	7	2
<i>Plantago rugelii</i>	Plantaginaceae	Status disputed	4	5	5	5
<i>Bromus inermis</i>	Poaceae	Exotic	5	5	5	5
<i>Festuca arundinacea</i>	Poaceae	Exotic	3	6	4	6
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	Poaceae	Exotic	6	4	6	4
<i>Phleum pratense</i>	Poaceae	Exotic	3	3	2	3
<i>Sporobolus cryptandrus</i>	Poaceae	Native	4	4	4	4
<i>Persicaria maculosa</i>	Polygonaceae	Exotic	4	5	4	3
<i>Geum aleppicum</i>	Rosaceae	Native	3	5	2	4
<i>Geum canadense</i>	Rosaceae	Native	5	5	5	5
<i>Potentilla recta</i>	Rosaceae	Exotic	5	5	5	5
<i>Solanum dulcamara</i>	Solanaceae	Exotic	3	5	3	6
<i>Cichorium intybus</i>	Asteraceae	Exotic	3	6	4	5
Bulk soil samples			NA	NA	10	10
Toothpick samples			10	10	9	9
		Total	142	149	144	149

Table S2 | Host plant species phenotypic traits. Mean, standard error, and phylogenetic signal for each of the eight phenotypic plant traits measured. These data represent a subset of the trait data from Fitzpatrick et al. (1). We re-calculated phylogenetic signal (Blomberg's K and Pagel's λ) for these traits according to the species used in the current study.

Plant Species	Mean	SE	Mean	SE	Mean	SE	Mean	SE	Mean	SE	Mean	SE	Mean	SE	Mean	SE
	Aboveground biomass (mg)		Belowground biomass (mg)		Root length (cm)		Root angle (°)		Water content (%)		Specific leaf area (cm ² /mg)		Root hair density (#/mm)		Specific root length (cm ² /mg)	
<i>Amaranthus albus</i>	988.66	157.47	37.07	13.75	16.03	1.29	51.67	15.62	75.47	2.20	49.25	3.63	3.15	0.83	0.76	0.23
<i>Arctium minus</i>	389.82	33.07	439.51	75.39	30.11	2.42	62.15	6.76	77.73	2.17	57.54	4.02	1.74	0.29	0.51	0.34
<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	517.33	76.89	261.09	45.83	23.44	2.58	52.56	8.69	75.16	5.09	70.76	7.40	0.90	0.38	0.44	0.09
<i>Asparagus officinalis</i>	238.42	43.60	323.32	76.31	22.20	1.76	56.91	6.43	NA	NA	NA	NA	3.83	1.27	0.45	0.09
<i>Bromus inermis</i>	1276.89	830.57	442.25	60.00	28.50	3.50	53.67	5.72	66.61	4.16	46.08	8.02	2.93	0.92	0.23	0.10
<i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i>	173.98	15.19	21.37	7.07	20.00	6.78	48.89	16.73	83.44	1.74	86.00	14.81	5.12	0.50	0.68	0.32
<i>Cichorium intybus</i>	765.03	288.26	910.16	144.60	44.65	6.11	54.07	10.13	79.56	2.34	71.86	5.62	1.23	0.12	0.34	0.09
<i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>	192.64	41.50	110.37	39.53	32.90	5.93	46.05	12.32	77.75	2.26	47.85	2.49	1.60	0.29	0.27	0.05
<i>Desmodium canadense</i>	995.14	220.72	457.89	158.79	32.10	1.33	44.37	5.66	74.29	1.35	103.84	8.46	2.80	0.65	0.33	0.09
<i>Festuca arundinacea</i>	1062.25	262.77	547.02	66.19	26.10	1.44	57.87	8.82	76.83	1.94	46.79	4.55	3.04	0.98	NA	NA
<i>Geum aleppicum</i>	320.02	49.90	88.17	26.44	26.14	1.86	70.00	5.41	70.08	2.04	47.27	9.53	1.48	0.45	0.52	0.07
<i>Geum canadense</i>	344.24	98.93	75.53	41.66	21.00	2.71	58.29	6.97	64.29	4.47	56.09	4.81	2.26	0.50	0.48	0.09
<i>Lepidium densiflorum</i>	357.01	88.37	100.61	40.79	18.05	3.56	48.97	8.33	74.95	1.14	38.65	3.12	2.63	1.33	0.26	0.10
<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	613.82	142.89	220.99	39.95	33.10	3.90	55.27	6.68	74.93	2.81	51.47	7.63	0.64	0.09	0.31	0.08
<i>Medicago sativa</i>	624.84	360.48	315.95	193.63	29.85	2.43	53.16	8.69	69.95	4.12	49.50	3.94	1.64	0.43	0.31	0.19
<i>Oenothera biennis</i>	1188.35	180.69	108.67	28.81	14.60	2.44	51.80	8.10	70.15	2.52	38.58	2.26	1.51	0.34	0.44	0.15
<i>Persicaria maculosa</i>	1131.62	203.98	278.37	68.48	28.33	3.01	46.04	7.62	75.10	2.77	53.35	1.97	3.72	0.77	0.55	0.11
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	745.08	107.86	452.91	74.11	22.10	3.12	65.00	6.00	72.25	1.36	81.31	18.80	2.84	0.49	2.40	1.78
<i>Phleum pratense</i>	1150.92	337.47	505.04	55.93	25.67	2.52	63.30	7.78	77.46	2.20	79.39	3.97	2.81	0.29	0.46	0.37
<i>Plantago major</i>	633.74	164.70	305.38	75.27	29.80	7.69	68.90	8.83	73.96	5.07	41.47	18.89	1.77	0.10	0.33	0.07
<i>Plantago rugelii</i>	839.95	165.29	261.92	38.34	25.10	2.39	65.40	6.26	83.04	1.69	46.54	2.93	2.04	0.21	0.73	0.30
<i>Potentilla recta</i>	514.15	155.02	162.44	77.86	27.56	2.73	54.93	7.52	69.31	4.97	65.83	12.48	1.69	0.10	0.38	0.19
<i>Sisymbrium officinale</i>	219.38	105.87	63.45	89.86	6.63	2.25	49.58	15.65	76.93	1.81	66.71	0.82	NA	NA	0.15	0.12
<i>Solanum dulcamara</i>	406.59	57.02	124.69	17.68	32.56	2.16	45.26	5.98	75.71	4.18	58.36	8.80	1.15	0.30	0.51	0.23
<i>Sonchus arvensis</i>	415.89	82.82	488.72	152.45	39.78	6.75	48.59	4.47	78.60	2.84	71.56	5.98	2.27	0.65	0.40	0.05
<i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>	544.88	158.25	126.86	61.28	20.33	0.37	53.52	8.68	81.07	3.22	91.85	12.18	1.48	0.92	0.37	0.17
<i>Sporobolus cryptandrus</i>	636.84	220.48	70.89	12.23	25.88	3.25	64.14	7.81	71.30	2.01	45.28	2.39	5.21	1.15	0.31	0.12
<i>Symphotrichum ericoides</i>	331.87	101.22	157.90	86.13	22.79	2.06	54.86	6.64	76.83	3.60	44.65	5.26	1.65	0.26	0.29	0.09
<i>Vicia tetrasperma</i>	164.36	22.37	56.32	8.69	18.48	2.74	52.85	5.61	64.34	6.83	23.56	3.34	0.96	0.09	0.48	0.06
<i>Oenothera perennis</i>	271.56	105.54	30.40	12.05	14.31	1.40	58.67	9.37	82.78	2.51	61.04	16.21	1.10	0.53	0.52	0.08
Blomberg's K* (P value)	0.72 (0.05)		0.83 (0.01)		0.65 (0.05)		0.68 (0.14)		0.74 (0.26)		0.42 (0.39)		1.07 (<0.01)		1.48 (0.13)	
Pagel's λ (P value)	0.65 (0.20)		0.59 (0.03)		0.45 (0.16)		0.87 (0.59)		0.43 (0.17)		0.00 (1.00)		1.00 (<0.01)		0.00 (1.00)	

Table S3 | Linear mixed model results for the analysis of alpha diversity. We estimated alpha diversity for every individual sample with the total number of observed species, Simpson's diversity⁻¹ index, and evenness. We include results for the entire dataset and results for the endosphere and rhizosphere compartments analyzed separately. Compartment, treatment, and useable reads were treated as fixed effects, while species (including interaction terms with species), sequencing run and experimental block were treated as random effects. Significance of fixed effects was determined using type III ANOVA with Kenward-Roger estimates of denominator degrees-of-freedom. We used likelihood ratio tests with full and reduced models to determine the significance of random effects. We include the results using the non-normalized dataset (full dataset), and the results using the rarefied dataset.

Full dataset

	Endosphere and rhizosphere combined					
	log(Observed species richness)		log(Simpson's diversity ⁻¹)		Evenness	
	<i>F/X²</i>	<i>P (FDR)</i>	<i>F/X²</i>	<i>P (FDR)</i>	<i>F/X²</i>	<i>P (FDR)</i>
Compartment (C)	124.79	<0.001	64.62	<0.001	73.89	<0.001
Treatment (T)	3.85	0.08	5.56	0.06	1.58	0.20
T X C	2.60	0.14	1.87	0.17	7.03	0.006
log(usable reads)	3024.78	<0.001	35.82	<0.001	218.28	<0.001
Species (S)	1.14	0.29	3.28	0.09	7.5	0.01
S X C	25.70	<0.001	17.72	<0.001	2.69	0.10
S X T	0.05	1.00	3.60	0.18	0.00	1.00
S X C X T	0.00	1.00	0.15	1.00	0.00	1.00
Sequencing run	0.00	1.00	2.08	0.26	2.19	0.24
Experimental block	0.23	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00

Endosphere only

	Endosphere only					
	log(Observed species richness)		log(Simpson's diversity ⁻¹)		Evenness	
	<i>F/X²</i>	<i>P (FDR)</i>	<i>F/X²</i>	<i>P (FDR)</i>	<i>F/X²</i>	<i>P (FDR)</i>
Treatment (T)	1.14	0.30	3.36	0.12	3.31	0.12
log(usable reads)	703.96	<0.001	0.12	0.73	176.96	<0.001
Species (S)	18.36	<0.001	23.91	<0.001	14.75	<0.001
S X T	0.67	0.41	2.08	0.11	2.97	0.11
Sequencing run	0.04	0.93	0.32	0.85	4.51	0.09
Experimental block	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00

Rhizosphere only

	Rhizosphere only					
	log(Observed species richness)		log(Simpson's diversity ⁻¹)		Evenness	
	<i>F/X²</i>	<i>P (FDR)</i>	<i>F/X²</i>	<i>P (FDR)</i>	<i>F/X²</i>	<i>P (FDR)</i>
Treatment (T)	63.31	<0.001	27.01	<0.001	22.33	<0.001
log(usable reads)	4037.77	<0.001	76.21	<0.001	82.72	<0.001
Species (S)	3.05	0.08	11.94	<0.001	6.44	0.02
S X T	0.00	1.00	1.85	0.51	0.00	1.00
Sequencing run	0.00	1.00	0.06	1.00	0.93	0.99
Experimental block	3.01	0.24	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00

Table S3 Continued

Rarefied dataset (800 reads)

Endosphere and rhizosphere combined						
	log(Observed species richness)		log(Simpson's diversity ⁻¹)		Evenness	
	<i>F/X</i> ²	<i>P</i> (FDR)	<i>F/X</i> ²	<i>P</i> (FDR)	<i>F/X</i> ²	<i>P</i> (FDR)
Compartment (C)	56.82	<0.001	58.19	<0.001	73.93	<0.001
Treatment (T)	0.16	0.69	3.92	0.08	5.44	0.06
T X C	2.36	0.18	1.45	0.26	3.81	0.12
log(usable reads)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Species (S)	0.37	0.56	1.83	0.27	7.94	0.02
S X C	9.05	0.01	20.05	<0.001	6.03	0.04
S X T	0.00	1.00	0.93	0.56	0.15	1.00
S X C X T	0.00	1.00	0.01	1.00	0.00	1.00
Sequencing run	8.96	0.01	5.32	0.05	1.36	0.24
Experimental block	6.52	0.09	0.12	1.00	0.00	1.00

Endosphere						
	log(Observed species richness)		log(Simpson's diversity ⁻¹)		Evenness	
	<i>F/X</i> ²	<i>P</i> (FDR)	<i>F/X</i> ²	<i>P</i> (FDR)	<i>F/X</i> ²	<i>P</i> (FDR)
Treatment (T)	0.14	0.71	3.07	0.14	6.31	0.06
log(usable reads)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Species (S)	11.26	<0.001	24.31	<0.001	20.39	<0.001
S X T	0.12	0.73	2.90	0.14	3.01	0.16
Sequencing run	1.86	0.17	0.38	0.54	0.39	0.53
Experimental block	0.27	0.60	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00

Rhizosphere						
	log(Observed species richness)		log(Simpson's diversity ⁻¹)		Evenness	
	<i>F/X</i> ²	<i>P</i> (FDR)	<i>F/X</i> ²	<i>P</i> (FDR)	<i>F/X</i> ²	<i>P</i> (FDR)
Treatment (T)	3.96	0.09	22.48	<0.001	26.02	<0.001
log(usable reads)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Species (S)	2.71	0.10	7.81	0.02	8.66	<0.001
S X T	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00
Sequencing run	2.15	0.21	4.01	0.15	0.10	0.82
Experimental block	16.29	<0.001	3.09	0.12	0.00	1.00

Table S4 | Linear mixed model results for the analysis of beta diversity. We estimated beta diversity for every individual sample by obtaining the scores along the first three principle coordinate axes, using three distance measures: the weighted UniFrac, unweighted UniFrac, or Bray-Curtis. Results were qualitatively similar for each distance measure therefore we present only the weighted UniFrac results. We include results for the entire dataset and results for the endosphere and rhizosphere compartments analyzed separately. Compartment, treatment, and useable reads were treated as fixed effects, while species (including interaction terms with species), sequencing run and experimental block were treated as random effects. Significance of fixed effects was determined using type III ANOVA with Kenward-Roger estimates of denominator degrees-of-freedom. We used likelihood ratio tests with full and reduced models to determine the significance of random effects. We include the results using the non-normalized dataset (full dataset), and the results using the rarefied dataset. All *P* values adjusted for multiple comparisons using the false discovery rate.

Proportional-abundance normalization						
Endosphere and rhizosphere combined						
	PCoA1		PCoA2		PCoA3	
	<i>F/X</i> ²	<i>P</i> (FDR)	<i>F/X</i> ²	<i>P</i> (FDR)	<i>F/X</i> ²	<i>P</i> (FDR)
Compartment (C)	413.09	<0.001	2.77	0.12	1.37	0.25
Treatment (T)	215.67	<0.001	50.05	<0.001	153.92	<0.001
T X C	53.84	<0.001	98.64	<0.001	71.88	<0.001
log(usable reads)	0.88	0.40	3.09	0.12	0.13	0.89
Species (S)	0.09	0.94	2.53	0.34	0.00	1.00
S X C	20.06	<0.001	44.69	<0.001	21.58	<0.001
S X T	0.00	1.00	1.26	1.00	0.00	1.00
S X C X T	7.42	0.05	0.00	1.00	2.49	0.53
Sequencing run	0.00	1.00	1.57	0.71	0.38	0.96
Experimental block	1.94	0.25	0.00	1.00	5.96	0.03

Endosphere						
	PCoA1		PCoA2		PCoA3	
	<i>F/X</i> ²	<i>P</i> (FDR)	<i>F/X</i> ²	<i>P</i> (FDR)	<i>F/X</i> ²	<i>P</i> (FDR)
Treatment (T)	101.86	<0.001	94.21	<0.001	15.47	<0.001
log(usable reads)	0.84	0.60	3.38	0.30	0.06	0.82
Species (S)	22.89	<0.001	30.98	<0.001	11.40	<0.001
S X T	7.15	0.03	0.00	1.00	1.95	0.48
Sequencing run	0.00	1.00	0.56	1.00	0.01	1.00
Experimental block	0.66	0.62	1.94	0.43	0.00	1.00

Rhizosphere						
	PCoA1		PCoA2		PCoA3	
	<i>F/X</i> ²	<i>P</i> (FDR)	<i>F/X</i> ²	<i>P</i> (FDR)	<i>F/X</i> ²	<i>P</i> (FDR)
Treatment (T)	75.53	<0.001	3.82	0.07	5.42	0.04
log(usable reads)	2.86	0.14	2.47	0.15	121.69	<0.001
Species (S)	6.03	0.05	1.03	0.81	0.00	1.00
S X T	0.00	1.00	8.08	0.04	0.69	1.00
Sequencing run	0.22	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00
Experimental block	0.27	0.75	1.35	0.17	0.33	0.76

Table S4 Continued.

Rarefaction normalized						
Endosphere and rhizosphere combined						
	PCoA1		PCoA2		PCoA3	
	F/X^2	P (FDR)	F/X^2	P (FDR)	F/X^2	P (FDR)
Compartment (C)	220.85	<0.001	3.63	0.09	0.90	0.39
Treatment (T)	373.59	<0.001	42.78	<0.001	144.02	<0.001
T X C	58.75	<0.001	97.07	<0.001	67.62	<0.001
log(usable reads)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Species (S)	0.16	0.88	2.88	0.32	0.00	1.00
S X C	21.60	<0.001	45.7	<0.001	19.28	<0.001
S X T	0.00	1.00	1.99	1.00	0.00	1.00
S X C X T	4.99	0.08	0.00	1.00	3.81	0.21
Sequencing run	0.00	1.00	1.13	1.00	0.40	1.00
Experimental block	1.65	0.31	0.00	1.00	7.53	0.02

Endosphere						
	PCoA1		PCoA2		PCoA3	
	F/X^2	P (FDR)	F/X^2	P (FDR)	F/X^2	P (FDR)
Treatment (T)	97.06	<0.001	89.73	<0.001	18.26	<0.001
log(usable reads)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Species (S)	24.25	<0.001	28.47	<0.001	11.60	<0.001
S X T	6.91	0.05	0.45	0.58	1.42	0.41
Sequencing run	0.00	1.00	0.12	0.94	0.16	0.94
Experimental block	1.11	0.44	1.66	0.44	0.00	1.00

Rhizosphere						
	PCoA1		PCoA2		PCoA3	
	F/X^2	P (FDR)	F/X^2	P (FDR)	F/X^2	P (FDR)
Treatment (T)	76.74	<0.001	2.78	0.11	2.74	0.11
log(usable reads)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Species (S)	5.25	0.05	1.65	1.00	0.00	1.00
S X T	0.00	1.00	5.40	0.12	0.00	1.00
Sequencing run	0.75	0.41	0.00	1.00	0.03	1.00
Experimental block	0.70	0.52	1.46	0.46	3.40	0.08

Table S5 | PERMANOVA results for the analysis of beta diversity using a matrix produced with the weighted UniFrac distance measure. We include results for the entire dataset and results for the endosphere and rhizosphere compartments analyzed separately. Significance was determined using F-tests based on permutations of the distance matrix across experimental factors. We include the results using the non-normalized dataset (full dataset), and the results using the rarefied dataset.

	Full dataset				Rarefied dataset (800 reads)			
	Endosphere and rhizosphere combined				Endosphere and rhizosphere combined			
	<i>df</i>	<i>Pseudo-F</i>	R^2	<i>P</i>	<i>df</i>	<i>Pseudo-F</i>	R^2	<i>P</i>
Compartment (C)	1	279.13	0.23	<0.001	1	222.10	0.21	<0.001
Treatment (T)	1	59.60	0.05	<0.001	1	49.98	0.05	<0.001
Species (S)	29	6.40	0.16	<0.001	29	5.64	0.15	<0.001
log(usable reads)	1	11.42	0.01	<0.001	NA	NA	NA	NA
Sequencing run	1	2.76	0.00	0.02	1	2.37	0.00	0.02
Experimental block	1	3.32	0.00	0.01	1	3.00	0.00	0.01
C X T	1	39.82	0.03	<0.001	1	33.54	0.03	<0.001
C X S	29	4.13	0.10	<0.001	29	3.67	0.10	<0.001
S X T	29	1.42	0.04	<0.001	29	1.46	0.04	<0.001
S X C X T	29	1.03	0.03	0.42	29	1.02	0.03	0.43
Error	400		0.33		400		0.38	
Total	522		1.00		522		1.00	

	Endosphere				Endosphere			
	<i>DF</i>	<i>Pseudo-F</i>	R^2	<i>P</i>	<i>DF</i>	<i>Pseudo-F</i>	R^2	<i>P</i>
Treatment (T)	1	67.10	0.12	<0.001	1	59.54	0.12	<0.001
Species (S)	29	7.57	0.40	<0.001	29	6.97	0.39	<0.001
log(usable reads)	1	3.12	0.01	0.01	NA	NA	NA	NA
Sequencing run	1	1.72	0.00	0.12	1	1.65	0.00	0.13
Experimental block	1	3.24	0.01	0.01	1	2.82	0.01	0.01
T X S	29	1.47	0.08	<0.001	29	1.42	0.08	0.02
Error	207		0.38		207		0.40	
Total	269		1.00		269		1.00	

	Rhizosphere				Rhizosphere			
	<i>DF</i>	<i>Pseudo-F</i>	R^2	<i>P</i>	<i>DF</i>	<i>Pseudo-F</i>	R^2	<i>P</i>
Treatment (T)	1	24.43	0.08	<0.001	1	18.95	0.06	<0.001
Species (S)	29	1.90	0.17	<0.001	29	1.70	0.16	<0.001
log(usable reads)	1	16.84	0.05	<0.001	NA	NA	NA	NA
Sequencing run	1	1.47	0.00	0.12	1	1.78	0.01	0.05
Experimental block	1	2.43	0.01	0.02	1	2.16	0.01	0.02
T X S	29	1.04	0.09	0.34	29	1.00	0.10	0.50
Error	190		0.59		190		0.63	
Total	252		1.00		252		1.00	

Table S6 | Estimates of phylogenetic signal. We estimated phylogenetic signal (Blomberg's K^* and Pagel's λ) for each of our measures of alpha diversity while accounting for variation occurring among individuals within a host plant species (as per 30).

	Proportional abundance normalization		Rarefied	
	K^*	P	K^*	P
	Endosphere			
Observed species richness	1.00	0.01	0.89	0.003
Simpson's diversity ⁻¹	1.09	0.001	1.14	0.001
Evenness	1.28	0.01	1.18	0.001
	Rhizosphere			
	K^*	P	K^*	P
Observed species richness	0.84	0.70	0.76	0.56
Simpson's diversity ⁻¹	0.67	0.94	0.71	0.60
Evenness	0.92	0.01	0.79	0.05

	Proportional abundance normalization		Rarefied	
	λ	P	λ	P
	Endosphere			
Observed species richness	0.80	0.03	0.76	0.04
Simpson's diversity ⁻¹	1.00	0.01	0.98	0.01
Evenness	0.67	0.01	0.95	0.01
	Rhizosphere			
	λ	P	λ	P
Observed species richness	0.00	0.99	0.05	0.96
Simpson's diversity ⁻¹	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00
Evenness	0.25	0.27	0.29	0.82

Table S7 | Mantel test results presenting the relationship between host phylogenetic or phenotypic distance on root microbial community dissimilarity. Overall dissimilarity uses plant species' centroids calculated from both well-watered and dry treatments combined. We also present the correlation between endosphere and rhizosphere compartments and the correlation between distance matrices produced from either the proportional-abundance normalized dataset or the rarefied dataset.

Mantel tests		Proportional abundance normalization		Rarefied	
Matrix 1	Matrix 2	r_{Mantel}	P	r_{Mantel}	P
Patristic distance	Overall endosphere dissimilarity	0.15	0.004	0.14	0.01
Patristic distance	Overall rhizosphere dissimilarity	0.05	0.15	0.05	0.17
Phenotypic distance	Overall endosphere dissimilarity	0.22	0.09	0.22	0.10
Phenotypic distance	Overall rhizosphere dissimilarity	0.00	0.78	0.00	0.83
Patristic distance	Wet endosphere dissimilarity	0.18	0.001	0.18	0.001
Patristic distance	Dry endosphere dissimilarity	0.10	0.02	0.10	0.02
Patristic distance	Wet rhizosphere dissimilarity	0.04	0.20	0.04	0.16
Patristic distance	Dry rhizosphere dissimilarity	0.03	0.27	0.03	0.25
Phenotypic distance	Wet endosphere dissimilarity	0.27	0.04	0.26	0.06
Phenotypic distance	Dry endosphere dissimilarity	0.07	0.22	0.07	0.25
Phenotypic distance	Wet rhizosphere dissimilarity	0.09	0.23	0.00	0.58
Phenotypic distance	Dry rhizosphere dissimilarity	0.00	0.94	0.00	0.74
Endosphere dissimilarity	Rhizosphere dissimilarity	0.26	0.04	0.26	0.04
Endosphere dissimilarity (prop.abund.norm)	Endosphere dissimilarity (rarefied)	0.99	<0.001		
Rhizosphere dissimilarity (prop.abund.norm)	Rhizosphere dissimilarity (rarefied)	0.98	<0.001		

Table S8 | Results from phylogenetic generalized least squares regression to determine the relationship between plant traits and the diversity and composition of root microbial communities. Our measure of composition was the host plant species' centroid of our PCoA using weighted UniFrac distances. First, we determined whether the data fit an error model represented by a Brownian motion, Ornstein-Uhlenbeck, or a non-phylogenetic model of evolution, which assumes a star phylogeny and is equivalent to an ordinary least-squares regression with uncorrelated residuals among species. We present the coefficients associated with each standardized trait and associated *P* values (adjusted for multiple comparisons using the false discovery rate).

Error model	Endosphere				Rhizosphere			
	PCoA 1		PCoA 2		PCoA 1		PCoA 2	
	Brownian motion	Brownian motion	Brownian motion	Brownian motion	Star-phylogeny	Brownian motion	Brownian motion	Brownian motion
	Coefficient	<i>P</i>	Coefficient	<i>P</i>	Coefficient	<i>P</i>	Coefficient	<i>P</i>
Aboveground biomass	-0.0141	0.77	0.0045	0.92	-0.0309	<0.01	-0.0002	1.00
Belowground biomass	0.0175	0.56	-0.0321	0.23	0.0120	0.36	-0.0011	0.98
Root angle	-0.0422	<0.01	0.0017	0.96	-0.0007	0.96	0.0025	0.96
Root hair density	-0.0004	0.98	-0.0269	0.09	0.0052	0.89	0.0017	0.98
Root length	0.0028	0.93	0.0344	0.03	0.0007	0.93	0.0016	0.93
Specific leaf area	-0.0420	0.02	0.0003	0.98	-0.0002	0.98	0.0023	0.98
Specific root length	-0.0016	0.98	0.0273	0.01	-0.0002	0.98	0.0167	0.01
log(usable reads)	0.0042	0.82	0.0491	0.02	0.0193	0.18	-0.0017	0.82
% Water content	0.0341	0.04	0.0000	1.00	-0.0104	0.31	-0.0247	<0.01

Error model	Obs. species richness		Shannon's diversity		Obs. species richness		Shannon's diversity	
	Brownian motion		Brownian motion		Star-phylogeny		Brownian motion	
	Coefficient	<i>P</i>	Coefficient	<i>P</i>	Coefficient	<i>P</i>	Coefficient	<i>P</i>
Aboveground biomass	2.2507	0.94	-0.0136	0.94	32.1234	0.01	0.0247	0.88
Belowground biomass	2.8930	0.98	0.1182	0.69	0.9547	0.98	0.0824	0.42
Root angle	30.1515	<0.01	-0.0056	0.96	1.3691	0.96	-0.0933	0.07
Root hair density	23.8490	0.16	0.2696	0.05	-18.3135	0.21	0.0013	0.98
Root length	-1.4885	0.93	-0.1263	0.68	-24.0445	0.12	-0.1422	0.03
Specific leaf area	5.0408	0.98	0.0082	0.98	32.6105	0.02	-0.0050	0.98
Specific root length	-14.8195	0.13	-0.1167	0.26	-0.3299	0.98	0.0141	0.98
log(usable reads)	122.3806	<0.01	0.0455	0.82	297.9989	<0.01	0.5066	<0.01
% Water content	-21.5013	0.08	-0.0219	0.87	0.0700	1.00	0.0134	0.87

Error model	Simpson's diversity ⁻¹		Evenness		Simpson's diversity ⁻¹		Evenness	
	Brownian motion		Star-phylogeny		Brownian motion		Brownian motion	
	Coefficient	<i>P</i>	Coefficient	<i>P</i>	Coefficient	<i>P</i>	Coefficient	<i>P</i>
Aboveground biomass	0.0003	1.00	0.0129	0.65	25.4363	0.01	0.0410	<0.01
Belowground biomass	0.0101	0.99	-0.0200	0.36	32.1203	0.12	0.0015	0.98
Root angle	-0.0366	0.96	0.0003	0.96	-22.5845	0.06	-0.0209	0.12
Root hair density	7.6386	0.05	0.0003	0.98	-0.1175	0.98	-0.0012	0.98
Root length	0.0061	0.99	-0.0019	0.93	-53.1478	<0.01	-0.0235	0.03
Specific leaf area	0.0165	0.98	0.0003	0.98	-4.1414	0.98	-0.0071	0.98
Specific root length	-0.5562	0.98	0.0001	0.98	0.4056	0.98	0.0171	0.04
log(usable reads)	0.8821	0.82	-0.0995	<0.01	69.2019	<0.01	-0.0540	0.02
% Water content	-1.2284	0.85	0.0009	0.98	18.3917	0.03	0.0051	0.85

Table S9 | Common bacterial families across compartment and treatment

The 30 most common bacterial families in each compartment and treatment combination. Toothpick communities are denoted by T.

Soil (well-watered)		Soil (drought)	
Taxon	Relative abundance	Taxon	Relative abundance
Sphingomonadaceae	0.059	Comamonadaceae	0.078
Gaiellaceae	0.054	Gaiellaceae	0.066
Hyphomicrobiaceae	0.050	Xanthomonadaceae	0.050
Gemmatimonadaceae	0.046	Hyphomicrobiaceae	0.050
Planctomycetaceae	0.041	Sphingomonadaceae	0.042
Chitinophagaceae	0.037	Gemmatimonadaceae	0.042
Comamonadaceae	0.037	Planctomycetaceae	0.038
Polyangiaceae	0.035	Erythrobacteraceae	0.032
Bradyrhizobiaceae	0.034	Rhodospirillaceae	0.031
Xanthomonadaceae	0.032	Chitinophagaceae	0.031
Rhodocyclaceae	0.032	Caulobacteraceae	0.029
Sinobacteraceae	0.031	Bradyrhizobiaceae	0.027
Geobacteraceae	0.030	Solirubrobacteraceae	0.027
Rhodospirillaceae	0.030	Rhodocyclaceae	0.027
Erythrobacteraceae	0.026	Sinobacteraceae	0.024
Anaerolineaceae	0.025	Acidimicrobiaceae	0.024
Caulobacteraceae	0.023	Polyangiaceae	0.023
Rhodobacteraceae	0.022	Micromonosporaceae	0.017
Acidimicrobiaceae	0.017	Rhodobacteraceae	0.017
Conexibacteraceae	0.016	Burkholderiaceae	0.015
Opitutaceae	0.016	Mycobacteriaceae	0.014
Solirubrobacteraceae	0.015	Anaerolineaceae	0.014
Xanthobacteraceae	0.013	Opitutaceae	0.014
Mycobacteriaceae	0.013	Rhizobiaceae	0.013
Micromonosporaceae	0.013	Conexibacteraceae	0.013
Cystobacteraceae	0.012	Xanthobacteraceae	0.012
Thermomonosporaceae	0.010	Geobacteraceae	0.012
Burkholderiaceae	0.009	Oxalobacteraceae	0.011
Pseudomonadaceae	0.009	Cytophagaceae	0.011
Rhizomicrobium	0.009	Geodermatophilaceae	0.010

Table S9 Continued.

Rhizosphere (well-watered)		Rhizosphere (drought)		Rhizosphere T (well-watered)		Rhizosphere T (drought)	
Taxon	Relative abundance	Taxon	Relative abundance	Taxon	Relative abundance	Taxon	Relative abundance
Comamonadaceae	0.095	Xanthomonadaceae	0.089	Sphingomonadaceae	0.082	Sphingomonadaceae	0.099
Sphingomonadaceae	0.058	Comamonadaceae	0.084	Rhodospirillaceae	0.079	Erythrobacteraceae	0.075
Rhodocyclaceae	0.045	Sphingomonadaceae	0.069	Erythrobacteraceae	0.070	Sinobacteraceae	0.061
Xanthomonadaceae	0.042	Chitinophagaceae	0.050	Comamonadaceae	0.060	Comamonadaceae	0.052
Hyphomicrobiaceae	0.041	Caulobacteraceae	0.048	Rhodocyclaceae	0.052	Chitinophagaceae	0.052
Rhodospirillaceae	0.041	Hyphomicrobiaceae	0.033	Sinobacteraceae	0.040	Xanthomonadaceae	0.048
Chitinophagaceae	0.038	Burkholderiaceae	0.032	Desulfobulbaceae	0.036	Rhodospirillaceae	0.047
Polyangiaceae	0.034	Rhodospirillaceae	0.032	Ruminococcaceae	0.028	Polyangiaceae	0.043
Caulobacteraceae	0.033	Polyangiaceae	0.028	Polyangiaceae	0.028	Hyphomicrobiaceae	0.042
Planctomycetaceae	0.030	Rhizobiaceae	0.028	Geobacteraceae	0.028	Planctomycetaceae	0.040
Opitutaceae	0.029	Cytophagaceae	0.027	Hyphomicrobiaceae	0.027	Gemmatimonadaceae	0.031
Gaiellaceae	0.028	Bradyrhizobiaceae	0.022	Planctomycetaceae	0.027	Caulobacteraceae	0.030
Geobacteraceae	0.027	Sinobacteraceae	0.020	Caulobacteraceae	0.026	Rhodocyclaceae	0.029
Sinobacteraceae	0.026	Planctomycetaceae	0.020	Anaerolineaceae	0.025	Bradyrhizobiaceae	0.028
Bradyrhizobiaceae	0.026	Oxalobacteraceae	0.020	Chitinophagaceae	0.023	Pseudomonadaceae	0.020
Gemmatimonadaceae	0.023	Rhodocyclaceae	0.020	Xanthomonadaceae	0.022	Rhizobiales incertae sedis	0.012
Rhizobiaceae	0.018	Opitutaceae	0.019	Bradyrhizobiaceae	0.021	Xanthobacteraceae	0.012
Rhodobacteraceae	0.016	Erythrobacteraceae	0.018	Rhodobacteraceae	0.020	Phyllobacteriaceae	0.012
Burkholderiaceae	0.016	Gaiellaceae	0.017	Gemmatimonadaceae	0.019	Gaiellaceae	0.012
Erythrobacteraceae	0.014	Enterobacteriaceae	0.016	Gpl	0.018	Opitutaceae	0.012
Anaerolineaceae	0.013	Gemmatimonadaceae	0.016	Pseudomonadaceae	0.016	Rhizobiaceae	0.011
Bdellovibrionaceae	0.013	Pseudomonadaceae	0.015	Opitutaceae	0.015	Burkholderiales incertae sedis	0.010
Cytophagaceae	0.012	Streptomycetaceae	0.013	Cystobacteraceae	0.015	Burkholderiaceae	0.010
Solirubrobacteraceae	0.012	Bdellovibrionaceae	0.012	Ignavibacteriaceae	0.012	Haliangiaceae	0.010
Pseudomonadaceae	0.011	Rhodobacteraceae	0.011	Desulfovibrionaceae	0.011	Acetobacteraceae	0.009
Mycobacteriaceae	0.010	Nocardioideaceae	0.011	Neisseriaceae	0.010	Mycobacteriaceae	0.008
Acidimicrobiaceae	0.010	Geobacteraceae	0.011	Rhizobiaceae	0.010	Methylophilaceae	0.007
Conexibacteraceae	0.010	Burkholderiales incertae sedis	0.010	Acetobacteraceae	0.009	Alteromonadaceae	0.007
Xanthobacteraceae	0.009	Phyllobacteriaceae	0.010	Veillonellaceae	0.008	Anaerolineaceae	0.007
Phyllobacteriaceae	0.009	Micromonosporaceae	0.009	Burkholderiales incertae sedis	0.008	Cytophagaceae	0.007

Table S9 Continued.

Endosphere (well-watered)		Endosphere (drought)		Endosphere T (well-watered)		Endosphere T (drought)	
Taxon	Relative abundance	Taxon	Relative abundance	Taxon	Relative abundance	Taxon	Relative abundance
Rhizobiaceae	0.141	Streptomycetaceae	0.244	Cystobacteraceae	0.154	Sinobacteraceae	0.141
Comamonadaceae	0.125	Rhizobiaceae	0.109	Cellulomonadaceae	0.070	Rhizobiaceae	0.103
Streptomycetaceae	0.070	Phyllobacteriaceae	0.101	Rhodocyclaceae	0.067	Hyphomicrobiaceae	0.094
Bradyrhizobiaceae	0.064	Chitinophagaceae	0.079	Comamonadaceae	0.059	Bradyrhizobiaceae	0.094
Phyllobacteriaceae	0.055	Comamonadaceae	0.058	Rhizobiaceae	0.055	Chitinophagaceae	0.088
Chitinophagaceae	0.055	Micromonosporaceae	0.039	Bradyrhizobiaceae	0.048	Comamonadaceae	0.084
Opitutaceae	0.049	Sinobacteraceae	0.036	Rhodospirillaceae	0.047	Caulobacteraceae	0.046
Rhodospirillaceae	0.044	Xanthomonadaceae	0.029	Caulobacteraceae	0.042	Xanthomonadaceae	0.041
Sinobacteraceae	0.040	Caulobacteraceae	0.023	Opitutaceae	0.039	Burkholderiaceae	0.039
Micromonosporaceae	0.035	Bradyrhizobiaceae	0.019	Ruminococcaceae	0.035	Sphingomonadaceae	0.033
Rhodocyclaceae	0.035	Opitutaceae	0.019	Desulfovibrionaceae	0.032	Rhodospirillaceae	0.023
Polyangiaceae	0.021	Sphingomonadaceae	0.017	Hyphomicrobiaceae	0.030	Polyangiaceae	0.020
Xanthomonadaceae	0.021	Pseudonocardiaceae	0.016	Sphingomonadaceae	0.026	Streptomycetaceae	0.018
Caulobacteraceae	0.020	Nocardioidaceae	0.015	Desulfobulbaceae	0.023	Planctomycetaceae	0.013
Sphingomonadaceae	0.019	Polyangiaceae	0.014	Sinobacteraceae	0.021	Erythrobacteraceae	0.013
Hyphomicrobiaceae	0.017	Hyphomicrobiaceae	0.012	Chitinophagaceae	0.020	Pseudomonadaceae	0.012
Planctomycetaceae	0.017	Burkholderiaceae	0.011	Burkholderiaceae	0.018	Micromonosporaceae	0.012
Enterobacteriaceae	0.014	Planctomycetaceae	0.009	Spirochaetaceae	0.017	Rhodocyclaceae	0.012
Burkholderiales incertae sedis	0.011	Cytophagaceae	0.009	Polyangiaceae	0.016	Cellulomonadaceae	0.010
Spirochaetaceae	0.009	Oxalobacteraceae	0.009	Anaerolineaceae	0.015	Oxalobacteraceae	0.010
Haliangiaceae	0.009	Rhodospirillaceae	0.009	Xanthomonadaceae	0.014	Haliangiaceae	0.010
Methylophilaceae	0.008	Burkholderiales incertae sedis	0.007	Oxalobacteraceae	0.014	Streptosporangiaceae	0.009
Pseudomonadaceae	0.008	Haliangiaceae	0.007	Erythrobacteraceae	0.012	Opitutaceae	0.008
Bdellovibrionaceae	0.007	Microbacteriaceae	0.005	Ignavibacteriaceae	0.011	Xanthobacteraceae	0.007
Cytophagaceae	0.007	Clostridiaceae 1	0.005	Veillonellaceae	0.010	Cytophagaceae	0.004
Burkholderiaceae	0.007	Rhodocyclaceae	0.005	Planctomycetaceae	0.009	Anaerolineaceae	0.004
Oxalobacteraceae	0.007	Conexibacteraceae	0.005	Haliangiaceae	0.009	Acetobacteraceae	0.003
Microbacteriaceae	0.005	Pseudomonadaceae	0.005	Pseudomonadaceae	0.009	Rhizobiales incertae sedis	0.003
Leptospiraceae	0.005	Thermomonosporaceae	0.005	Micromonosporaceae	0.006	Microbacteriaceae	0.003
Acidimicrobiaceae	0.005	Kofleriaceae	0.004	Enterobacteriaceae	0.005	Enterobacteriaceae	0.003

Dataset S1 | Bacterial taxa in the endosphere and rhizosphere found in all host plant species. Full-length V4 sequences and taxonomy associated with the ASVs found with all host plant species in the endosphere or rhizosphere. The prevalence column indicates how many individuals within each host plant species a particular bacterial ASV was found. For example “ $N \geq 2$ ind./host sp.” indicates that the given bacterial ASV was found in at least two individuals of every host plant species. Red-shaded ASVs are core taxa found in both the endosphere and rhizosphere.

Dataset S2 | Bacterial taxa significantly associated with plant-soil feedback. Significant correlations between taxon \log_2 fold changes among focal and soil-conditioning host plant species and experimentally measured soil feedback. Positive correlations (blue-shaded rows), indicate that for the given bacterial taxon, focal species exhibit poor performance when abundance is greater in soil-conditioning versus focal plant species but exhibit increased performance when abundance is greater in focal versus soil-conditioning plant species. Negative correlations (unshaded rows) indicate that for the given bacterial taxon, focal species exhibit increased performance when the abundance is greater in soil-conditioning versus focal plant species but exhibit reduced performance when abundance is greater in focal versus soil-conditioning plant species. We used the false discovery rate to correct for multiple hypothesis testing. The prevalence column indicates whether or not a given ASV was found in every host plant species (“NA” indicates that the ASV was not found in all host plants; “ $N \geq 1$ ind./host sp.” indicates that the ASV was found in at least one individual in every host plant). Shaded ASVs (orange, green, and purple) correspond to taxa found to be important in drought tolerance (see Dataset S4).

Dataset S3 | Drought-responsive taxa in the live root endosphere and root analogue endosphere. Endosphere bacterial taxa exhibiting significant \log_2 fold changes between watering treatments in living plant roots and in root analogues.

Dataset S4 | Correlations between bacterial taxon enrichment and drought tolerance. Bacterial taxa whose \log_2 fold changes between watering treatments is significantly related to host plant species drought tolerance. Positive correlations indicate taxa whose enrichment was associated with increasing host plant drought tolerance, while negative estimates indicate taxa whose enrichment was associated with decreasing host plant drought tolerance. We used the false discovery rate to correct for multiple hypothesis testing. The prevalence column indicates whether a given ASV was found in every host plant species. Shaded ASVs (orange, green, and purple) correspond to taxa found to be important in plant-soil feedback (see Dataset S2).