

Plant functional trait shifts explain concurrent changes in the structure and function of grassland soil microbial communities

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Abstract

1. Land-use intensification drives important changes to soil function and the microbial communities that regulate these, but the mechanisms underlying these changes are poorly understood as land-use can affect soil communities both directly (e.g. via changes to soil fertility) and indirectly (e.g. via changes to the quantity and quality of plant inputs).
2. Another open question is how rapidly soil microorganisms and the functions they regulate respond to environmental change. For instance, we do not know the relative importance of long-term legacies and short-term changes in land-use intensity in driving changes to microbial communities.
3. To address these topics, we measured a wide range of microbial functions, bacterial and fungal biomass and abiotic soil properties at two time intervals three years apart. This was performed in 150 grassland sites in three German regions, with sites differing greatly in management intensity.
4. Observed changes in microbial soil properties were related to both long-term means and short-term changes in: abiotic soil properties, land-use intensity index (LUI), community abundance weighted means of plant functional traits and plant biomass properties in regression and structural equation models.
5. Plant traits, particularly leaf P, and soil pH were the best predictors of change in soil microbial function as well as fungal and bacterial biomass, while LUI showed weaker impacts.
6. In most cases short-term changes, particularly to plant traits, dominated the change in soil microbial properties. However, indirect legacy effects, in which microbial change was explained by the effects of long-term LUI on plant traits, were also important. This indicates a time lag between plant community and microbial community change. Whenever effects of short-term changes in LUI were present, they acted directly on soil microorganisms.
7. Synthesis: The results suggest that soil communities and their functioning are widely resistant to short-term changes in LUI, but that they respond both rapidly and over longer time scales to changes in plant functional traits. This suggests that restoration efforts which shape and redirecting plant communities may be an effective means of managing soil communities and the functions and services they provide.

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Introduction

Land-use intensity is a major driver of plant and soil microbial communities throughout the world's grasslands (Smith & Rushton 1994; Bossio *et al.* 1998; Keil *et al.* 2011; de Vries *et al.* 2012; Meyer *et al.* 2013). Intensification significantly impacts ecosystem processes, with major implications for the delivery of a wide range of grassland ecosystem services, including fodder production, soil carbon storage and clean water supply (Allan *et al.* 2015; Bach, Klement & Häußermann 2016; Soliveres *et al.* 2016). To date, many of the conclusions about the impacts of land-use intensification have been drawn from comparative observational studies in which the properties of high intensity sites are compared to those undergoing low intensity management (Meyer *et al.* 2013; Allan *et al.* 2015; Manning *et al.* 2015). As a result, little is known regarding the timescale over which these changes occur, the mechanisms through which such changes operate, and the relative sensitivity of different ecosystem properties to short-term changes in land use relative to long-term legacies of past land use. Furthermore, we know little of how rapidly soil microbes, which are key drivers of nutrient cycling and other soil functions, respond to changes in land-use intensity and associated changes in vegetation.

Increases to grassland land-use intensity usually operate via increased livestock densities, increased rates of fertilisation and greater mowing frequency (Blüthgen *et al.* 2012). These actions affect communities of plants and soil microorganisms and the processes they regulate through a wide range of interrelated mechanisms, which we review in brief in the following section. Initially, the physical and chemical soil environment is altered. Soil compaction by livestock and machinery can occur, not only influencing soil moisture and temperature regimes, but also reducing microbial biomass (Boeddinghaus *et al.* 2015). Furthermore, nutrient availability to both microbes and plants is increased by fertilisation, with effects on microbial communities including increases in the abundance of bacteria relative to fungi (de Vries *et al.* 2012), and a shift of microbial life strategies towards copiotrophic microbial taxa (Leff *et al.* 2015). These changes in nutrient status can also cause widespread changes to soil microbial properties and functions, including altered microbial biomass, and soil enzyme activities (Kandeler & Eder 1993; Bardgett & Leemans 1995; Donnison *et al.* 2000). A further side effect of nitrogen fertilisation in the form of reduced nitrogen is that the nitrification can lead to soil acidification (Bardgett *et al.* 1999). In turn, soil pH can affect microbial communities and soil carbon cycling (Fierer & Jackson 2006; Rousk, Brookes & Bååth 2009; Fornara *et al.* 2011). Some combination of these effects is therefore likely to be responsible for observed changes in the microbial community and its functions under grassland management intensification. However, the impact of these direct effects of intensification is accompanied by additional effects that operate via the plant community, which we term here indirect effects. High land-use intensity typically reduces plant species diversity and selects for plants with a 'fast' life history strategy (Pfeilstorf *et al.* 2013) typified by leaves with high nitrogen and phosphorous

content, thin and/or low density, rapid turnover times and low dry matter content, reflecting low concentrations of structural compounds (Reich 2014). These traits can affect soil function by altering the chemistry and quality of litter inputs to the soil (Wardle *et al.* 2004; Orwin *et al.* 2010; Reich 2014). Accordingly, differences in 'fast-slow' traits, have been found to explain variation in soil microbial community composition and carbon storage in several studies (Wardle *et al.* 1998; Garnier *et al.* 2004; de Vries *et al.* 2012; Manning *et al.* 2015). The symbiosis between mycorrhiza and plants is also affected by soil nutrient concentrations (Treseder & Allen 2002) and the intensity of this symbiosis can be utilized as a plant functional trait (Akhmetzhanova *et al.* 2012). These community level trait changes represent an integrative measure of vegetation responses to the long-term environment (Garnier *et al.* 2004). In contrast, aboveground biomass measures reflect more a fluctuating 'snapshot' measure of vegetation response. Production typically increases in response to nitrogen addition, while belowground biomass is largely unaffected (Lee *et al.* 2010). At the same time plant cutting, e.g. through mowing, alters root exudation, which can also affect soil microorganisms (Bardgett, Wardle & Yeates 1998).

Under 'real-world' field conditions, all of the changes described above occur concurrently and are difficult to disentangle experimentally. As a result, the interrelationships between these changes have typically been examined in microcosm experiments focussing on a subset of these changes (Bardgett *et al.* 1999; Manning *et al.* 2006) and field studies are scarce. Therefore, little is known regarding the relative importance of the mechanisms described above in driving changes to soil function in 'real-world' ecosystems. However, identifying the relative roles of the pathways described here is important as it not only provides an insight into the fundamental drivers of soil systems but also allows relevant management practices to be identified (e.g. liming for pH, sowing of plant functional types).

An additional knowledge gap concerns the temporal dynamics of the changes described above. To date, most studies of temporal changes have investigated either single grassland sites over the course of a single year (e.g. Regan *et al.* 2017) , or studied temporal development gradients by sampling different sites in chronosequences (e.g. Kulmatiski and Beard, 2008). Such work provides limited information on the speed and magnitude of responses of communities to land-use change over intermediate (up to 10 years) timescales, especially as time lags in the response of soil microbes to land-use intensification may be common (Foster *et al.* 2003). In the case of grassland soil function for example, plant communities, and their functional properties, may take several years to fully respond to changes in land-use intensity (Poptcheva *et al.* 2009). These changes may, in turn, take time to be manifested in the activities of soil microorganisms that feed upon soil organic matter that is derived from these plants. Furthermore, recent work has argued that land-use legacies are

not just important in determining current ecosystem function, but that they also play an important role in shaping responses of ecosystems to future changes (Perring *et al.* 2016). For example, the nutrient content of a soil reflects past land-use intensity and influences the effect of new nutrient inputs by determining the level of nutrient limitation of soil biota and plants (Richter *et al.* 2000; Perring *et al.* 2016). To address the knowledge gaps described above we investigated whether the functioning and composition of microbial communities rapidly tracks short-term changes (within three years) in land-use intensity or if such changes are driven by the longer-term history of the site (legacy effect). Next, we asked whether changes in soil properties and functions were best explained by direct or indirect effects of land-use intensity changes or by changes in intermediate properties, namely changes to soil pH, plant functional traits, plant diversity and the quantity and nutritional quality of plant biomass. We addressed these questions within the context of the large-scale and long-term Biodiversity Exploratories project (Fischer *et al.* 2010) by utilizing data from 150 grassland sites in three regions of Germany.

Materials and Methods

Study regions

Data were collected from 150 grassland sites spread evenly (50 each) across three regions of Germany within the framework of the Biodiversity Exploratories project (www.biodiversity-exploratories.de): Schwäbische Alb (South-West), Hainich-Dün (Central) and Schorfheide-Chorin (North-East) (see Fig. S1). All three contain protected areas, with sites spanning a full range of grassland management intensity (Fischer *et al.* 2010). The regions differ in their climate and soil types: the South-West region is a biosphere reserve on a calcareous bedrock with karst phenomena. Soils are typically shallow with bedrock typically only 10–15 cm below the soil surface and clay rich soils. The Central region also has a parent material of calcareous bedrock and clayey-loamy soil texture, while the North-East region is a young glacial landscape with predominantly sandy and organic soils. Further details on the regional characteristics are given in Table S1.

Land-use intensity

The land-use intensity, i.e. grazing intensity (number of livestock and grazing days), frequency and timing of mowing and amount and type of N-fertilizer applied, of all 150 investigated sites was assessed annually since 2006 for all 150 sites by questionnaires given to the farmers. This data was used to calculate a land-use intensity index (LUI) in which each of these three components are standardised according their full range within each region and given equal weighting (Blüthgen *et al.* 2012). The resulting LUI is a dimensionless number ranging between 0, representing no land management at all, and 4.41, very intensive land-use. Preliminary

analyses showed that the LUI of the years prior to sampling (2010 and 2013) were more strongly related to soil microbial activity and biomass sampled in 2011 and 2014, respectively, than the LUI of the actual sampling years, most likely because most farming actions happened during or after the soil sampling period in spring. Therefore, the LUIs of 2010 and 2013 were chosen and the changes between these two years calculated and used for analyses.

Soil sampling

Soil samples were collected simultaneously in all three regions within two weeks in May 2011 and May 2014. All 150 grassland plots were sampled along two orthogonal transects of 20 m (Fig. S2). Sampling points were shifted by 50 cm in 2014 compared to 2011 to avoid an overlap of sampling positions. On each plot, 14 samples from 0–10 cm depth were taken using core augers. Samples were mixed, cooled and transported to a field lab, where they were sieved (< 2 mm) and frozen at -20 °C, all within eight hours of sampling.

Soil microbial analyses

Microbial biomass carbon (C_{mic}) and nitrogen (N_{mic}) were measured using the chloroform-fumigation-extraction method (CFE) of Vance et al. (1987) modified according to Keil *et al.* (2011). Microbial phosphorous (P_{mic}) was measured by combining methods by Kouno, Tuchiya and Ando (1995) and McLaughlin, Alston and Martin (1986). Details of all laboratory analyses are described in appendix 1.

Microbial functions were measured as the enzyme activities of beta-glucosidase (EC 3.2.1.21, hereafter glucosidase), beta-xylosidase (EC 3.2.1.37, hereafter xylosidase), N-acetyl-beta-glucosaminidase (EC 3.2.1.52, hereafter chitinase), phosphatase (EC 3.1.3.1) and urease (EC 3.5.1.5) as well as denitrification enzyme activity (DEA). The first four enzymes were determined by fluorescence measures in a buffered solution of pH 6.1 after Marx et al. (2001) as described in Berner et al. (2011). Urease activity was measured photometrically after Kandeler and Gerber (1988). Denitrification enzyme activity was measured according to Smith and Tiedje (1979) and Keil *et al.* (2015) after incubating the samples with substrate solution and inhibiting N_2 production with acetylene addition.

Microbial community composition, in terms of bacterial and fungal biomass, was measured using the phospholipid fatty acid (PLFA) composition of soils. Extraction was conducted following the protocol of Frostegard, Tunlid and Baath (1991) and alkaline methanolysis was performed after Dowling, Widdel and White (1986) to gain fatty acid methyl esters (FAME). According to Ruess and Chamberlain (2010) the PLFA FAMES a15:0, i15:0, i16:0, i17:0, cy17:0, cy19:0 and 16:1 ω 7 represent soil bacteria, while PLFA FAME 18:2 ω 6,9 served as a fungal indicator. PLFA data was used to calculate the fungal to bacteria ratio (F:B). Fungal

biomass was also determined as ergosterol content of bio-membranes according to a modified approach of Djajakirana, Joergensen and Meyer (1996).

Soil abiotic analyses

Soil pH was measured in 0.01 M CaCl₂ (1:2.5 ratio of soil: CaCl₂-solution). Each site was equipped with a weather station monitoring soil temperature and moisture. From this we took the mean of soil temperature from measures taken at 5 and 10 cm depth and volumetric soil moisture in 10 cm depth. Volumetric soil moisture was recalculated as percent of the water holding capacity of each plot and is referred to as soil water content (SWC) hereafter. *A priori* data analyses revealed that microbial variables were best predicted by weather data when it was calculated as arithmetic mean over a period of 30 days prior to the sampling date. These values were therefore used in subsequent analyses.

Plant data

Every year since 2008, from middle of May to middle of June, the percentage cover of all vascular plant species was estimated in a 4 m x 4 m quadrat at all sites. This data was combined with data on plant traits from the TRY database (Kattge *et al.* 2011) (for full reference list of the TRY database data see appendix 1) to calculate community abundance weighted means (CWM) of the following plant traits: specific leaf area (SLA, mm² g⁻¹ DM), leaf phosphorous content (leaf P) and leaf nitrogen content (leaf N) both in mg g⁻¹ DM. In addition, the CWM for mycorrhizal intensity (MycInt, % colonized root length) was calculated from the database of Akhmetzhanova *et al.* (2012).

Plant biomass was sampled in May 2011 and 2014 adjacent to the vegetation record by cutting the aboveground (living) plant biomass (g m⁻²) in five 0.25 m² squares 2–3 cm above ground. The pooled composite sample of each site was dried (48 h at 80 °C), milled and the nutritional quality of plant biomass was measured thereafter: percent neutral detergent fibre (NDF), acid detergent fibre (ADF) and acid detergent lignin (ADL, lignin), as well as percent P and N content of the biomass were analysed using near-infrared spectroscopy (NIRS) as described in Klaus *et al.* (2016) and Kleinebecker, Klaus and Hölzel (2011). From these measures, cellulose (= ADF – ADL) and hemicelluloses (= NDF – ADF) content were calculated according to Kirchgeßner (2014).

Historic and change data

Legacy effects, *sensu* James (2015), are defined as the effects of long-term environmental conditions on the current status of a system and changes in this system in the following years. In our study legacy effects were considered those of the land-use intensity and plant functional traits that occurred up to five years before 2011, thus distinguishing them from current, short-term changes between the two sampling years: 2011 and 2014. To differentiate legacy effects

of land-use intensity and plant functional traits from the effects of short-term changes in these properties, we calculated separate measures for these time periods and termed them ‘historic’ (h) and ‘changes’ (Δ) for the ecosystem variables (see Table S2 for details on the time frames which were used to calculate these categories). The changes for each variable (y) on each site (i) in between the measured years 2011 and 2014 were calculated as

$$y_{i\Delta} = (y_{i2011} - y_{i2014}) \times -1$$

with 2011 serving as base year. Historic values were calculated as the arithmetic mean over several years.

Statistical analyses

All statistical analyses were performed in R versions 3.3.2 and 3.4.2 (R Core Team 2016; R Core Team 2017). Preliminary analyses showed strong differences between the three regions for multiple variables and the confounding of several factors with region (e.g. soil texture, soil type and climate). Therefore, the three regions were analysed separately in subsequent statistical procedures.

Statistical modelling of changes in soil properties

We used a model selection approach to identify the environmental variables (historic and change measures) that best explained changes in microbial soil properties between 2011 and 2014. This was done with forward selection according to a hypothesized ‘hierarchy of controls’ in which ultimate controls of soil properties were added before proximate drivers (Díaz *et al.* 2007). In accordance to prior knowledge presented in the introduction, explanatory variables were grouped and added to the model in the following hierarchal sequence: 1) fundamental abiotic soil properties, 2) land-use intensity variables, 3) Δ pH, as fertilisation can influence the pH level, 4) measures of plant functional composition, and 5) plant biomass properties, as these are partly controlled by the functional traits and respond more rapidly to changes in growing conditions. See Table S3 for details.

Utilizing this approach, we compared a range of linear mixed effect models for every microbial response variable in each region, using the lme function of the nlme package (Pinheiro *et al.* 2017). First, spatial correlation structures were tested for their significance (i.e. exponential, Gaussian, spherical, linear spatial correlation and rational quadratics). Secondly, as it comprises many unmeasured variables, soil type was tested as a random effect. If neither correlation structure nor random factor increased model likelihood, a linear model was fitted (Crawley 2015). This resulted in only linear models in the South-West, while some models in the Central and North-East regions included spatial autocorrelation structures (five times) or soil type (four times). Variable selection was based on Akaike’s information criterion (AIC), and new variables were only retained, if they lowered AIC by >2 and were significant in a likelihood

ratio deletion test ($P < 0.05$). If several variables remained in the model, their first order interaction was tested. The fit of the final model was assessed based on normal distribution and heteroscedacity of model residuals. As the range of most variables was relatively short, only linear terms were fitted. Percent of unique variance explained was calculated as R^2 after Nakagawa and Schielzeth (2013). R^2 values for each level and interaction were derived by subtracting R^2 from the model without the respective level from the R^2 of the full model.

In preliminary analyses we found that measures of plant species richness, functional diversity (Rao's Q index), a composite measure of plant traits representing the fast-slow spectrum based upon the first axis scores of a principal component analysis of CWM SLA, CWM leaf P and CWM leaf N, plant functional group identity (numbers of legumes, grasses and forbs per site) and lignin:N ratio of plant biomass were not significantly related to soil microbial processes. Therefore, these variables were omitted from the final modelling procedure.

Structural equation models

Model selection indicated that land-use intensity was not the most important driver of changes in microbial soil properties (see results). However, it is possible that effects of land-use intensity were present, but not detected, because land-use intensity was correlated with better predictors, e.g. changes to plant properties. This hypothesis was tested by using strictly confirmatory structural equation modelling (SEM) which allows direct and indirect effects to be distinguished. Due to differences between regions separate SEMs were fitted for each region. As the maximum replication was therefore 50 we limited the number of pathways to allow for reliable parameter estimation. Based on the hierarchical regression results the change and legacy effects of pH, CWM MycInt, CWM leaf P, plant biomass and its lignin content were selected as mediator variables as these were significant in model selection and, in case of CWM leaf P and plant biomass, representative of other significant plant variables (see Fig. S3 a-c). See Fig. 1 a) and b) for details of SEMs structure. Separate models were run for each microbial soil property and each of the mediator variables in the software package lavaan (Rosseel 2012). As random effects were only retained in 9 of 42 regression models simple linear regression formula were used in the SEMs. Maximum likelihood estimation was used to fit models. Model selection for the best mediator variable was based on two steps: 1) lowest AIC value, 2) if applicable, chi-square test results (lowest) and associated p -values ($P > 0.05$). Data were scaled between [0;1] to yield similar ranges and to allow comparison of standardized estimates between SEMs (Scherber *et al.* 2010). In the North-East region, no model could be selected because all differed significantly from the observed data co-variance matrices, most likely due to weak associations between variables (see Fig. S3 c).

Results

Changes over time

Changes in soil microbial and environmental properties between 2011 and 2014 varied greatly between sites and regions (Fig. 2a-b). Soil enzyme activities involved in C, N and P cycling, and particularly denitrification enzyme activity, were, generally higher in 2014 in all three regions (Fig. 2a). Fungal biomass increased in all three regions (PLFA means between +11% and +72%), while microbial biomass C and N changed little in the South-West and North-East, and generally declined in the Central region. Plant biomass was much higher in 2014 compared to 2011 in all regions (Fig. 2b), most likely due to the hot and dry spring of 2011, which was reflected by the overall lower soil water content and higher temperature in the 30 day period prior to sampling in the Central and North-East regions. This was accompanied by general increases in the nutritional quality of plant biomass in terms of P, cellulose, hemicellulose and lignin content, while plant biomass N either did not change (North-East) or declined (Central and South-West regions, mean values between -10% and -13%). Compared to plant biomass, the CWM of plant functional traits and LUI showed relatively smaller changes at most sites. pH changed little in the South-West and Central regions (standard deviations $\sim\pm 1.5\%$), but moderately in the North-East (standard deviations $\pm 5.7\%$).

Recent history

The historic means of pH, LUI and plant traits in each region are displayed in Fig. 2c. CWM plant traits of the fast-slow-gradient were 'fastest' in the North-East, while LUI was equally distributed across all three regions. The Central region has on average the highest historic pH values (6.9) although the North-East shows the widest range of pH values.

Drivers of microbial change

In all three regions model selection showed that changes in plant community properties, particularly plant functional traits, were better able to explain changes in microbial soil properties than changes in land-use intensity and environmental drivers, especially in the South-West (Table 1). However, in the Central region LUI effects were also retained in 36% of the models, and in the North-East the influence of changing pH was important (retained in 36% of the models), especially in explaining changes in enzymatic activities and the $\Delta C_{mic}:N_{mic}$ ratio.

Changes in most microbial properties were driven by just one or two explanatory variables (43% and 33% percent of all models, respectively); interactions between variables were much rarer (present in 21% of all models). Furthermore, recent changes were more often linked to the changes in microbial soil properties than legacy effects (retained in 54% and 27% of models, respectively). Of the abiotic environmental properties, it was soil pH which most often explained soil microbial changes (retained in 32% of models). In contrast, temperature had

little influence (retained in 7% of models) and SWC none at all. Changes in pH did not alter soil microbial properties in the South-West and Central regions, but negatively impacted $\Delta C_{mic}:N_{mic}$ -ratio and positively affected several enzyme activities in the North-East, where it also explained, on average, 16% of the unique variance.

Increases in LUI were accompanied by a reduction in fungi, in that short-term changes in LUI were negatively related to Δ ergosterol content in the South-West, and to Δ fungal abundance in the Central region (Table 1). The contrary was found in the North-East. Legacy effects of LUI were rarely related to microbial soil properties in the South-West (only to ΔP_{mic}) and not at all in the North-East, but was retained in 29% of the models in the Central region.

Plant functional traits were the most frequently selected explanatory variables (retained in 55% of all models, and in 71% in the South-West). They also explained most of the unique variance across all hierarchical regression levels, both in the South-West and Central Region (up to 44% and 49%, respectively), thus indicating that they were important drivers of changes to soil properties. Of these, CWM leaf P was the most important functional trait and it was significantly related to soil microbial properties in all three regions. Its change and historic values were both negatively and positively related to microbial variables including: ΔC_{mic} , ΔN_{mic} , ΔP_{mic} , Δ DEA, enzyme activities of Δ urease activity, Δ glucosidase, Δ chitinase and Δ xylosidase, Δ fungi:bacteria-ratio and Δ ergosterol content. The other plant traits had less consistently strong effects and were never important in all three regions.

Overall, plant functional traits were more important and explained more unique variance than plant biomass properties in all three regions. However, where plant biomass or its nutritional properties, i.e. cellulose and lignin content, were retained in models, their increases were consistently related to increases in soil microbial variables.

Direct and indirect land management effects

Structural equation modelling consistently selected CWM leaf P as the most likely mediator variable for every soil microbial property. The selected models showed that indirect legacy effects of historic LUI operated via historic CWM leaf P in the South-West, while in the Central region direct effects of historic LUI prevailed; Indirect effects of Δ LUI were not found at all (Fig. 3, see Tables S5.1-3 for parameter values). In the South-West and Central regions historic LUI strongly positively affected historic CWM leaf P ($r \approx 0.72$ South-West, $r \approx 0.64$ Central), but a significant connection between changes in LUI and vegetation properties was never identified.

Discussion

Our study revealed that changes in plant properties were much stronger drivers of short-term changes in soil microbial properties than either changes in, or the legacy of, land-use intensity. Of the evaluated plant variables, the CWM of plant traits, particularly CWM leaf P, explained more variance in soil microbial properties than plant biomass or its nutritional quality. However, pH change had a strong influence on changes to soil microbes and associated enzyme activities in the sandy and organic material rich soils of the North-East.

The finding that the influence of plant properties on soil microorganisms was stronger and more frequent than that of land-use intensity contrasts with studies that showed strong linkages between bacterial abundance, enzyme activities and fertilisation rates (Bardgett & McAlister 1999; Ritz *et al.* 2004). Surprisingly, as this variable has been found to relate to grassland soil properties in the past (e.g. Manning *et al.* 2015), plant N content, either measured as a functional trait or in biomass, showed only weak, if any, effects on changes in microbial soil properties. Instead, it was the CWM of leaf P, as either its change or as a legacy effect, that showed strong relationships with soil microbes. These relationships were also stronger than those with CWM SLA which has been shown to be strongly related to wide range of ecosystem properties (Garnier *et al.* 2004; de Vries *et al.* 2012; Allan *et al.* 2015; Manning *et al.* 2015). Among the plant traits, leaf P content correlates with SLA and leaf N, which together can characterise the fast-slow spectrum of plant growth behaviour described by Reich (2014) and Díaz *et al.* (2016). Previously, de Vries *et al.* (2012) showed a positive association between bacterial dominance and plant communities possessing 'fast' traits. Our own results confirm and extend this finding by demonstrating that such linkages operate over short time scales, with changes in F:B ratio tracking changes in plant community P content and other related fast-slow traits. In our study, declines in the relative abundance of fungi with increases in fast plant traits were observed repeatedly. P availability is limited under high pH (compare Fig. 2c a)) and the amount of recalcitrant P in the calcareous South-West and Central regions has been shown to be much larger than in the North-East region (Alt *et al.* 2011). This may lead to phosphate limitation in these calcareous regions, thus explaining the strong positive associations between P rich plant material that enters the soil and microbial activity, as the organic P is mineralized by phosphatase enzymes of both microbial and plant origin. Laboratory studies have shown that short term changes in soil microorganisms and soil processes are strongly linked to plant traits (Bardgett *et al.* 1999; Orwin *et al.* 2010). Our field study not only supports these findings, but also shows that the long-term history of plant traits on a site can have stronger influence on soil microorganism than land-use intensity.

We observed a large increase in plant biomass from 2011 to 2014, which was most likely linked to the fact that spring 2011 was relatively dry, resulting in a low biomass production, whereas

2014 was benign. The corresponding differences in weather conditions did not directly affect the soil microorganisms though, as effects of mean soil temperature over 30 days prior to sampling were minimal and soil moisture effects were undetectable. As plant biomass and its nutritional quality in terms of cellulose, hemicellulose or lignin content, were generally positively related to soil microbial properties, we conclude that plant growth positively influences soil microbial biomass and the speed of nutrient cycling. The observed relationship could be driven by inputs of plant material, but also by correlated increases in rhizodeposits (Swinnen, Van Veen & Merckx 1995), which demonstrated a positive association with microbial biomass (Bardgett, Wardle & Yeates 1998; Eisenhauer *et al.* 2017) and enzyme activity (Spohn, Ermak & Kuzyakov 2013). The main source of extracellular enzymes in soils are microorganisms (Das & Varma 2011), although there is a small contribution of roots and soil animals (Acosta-Martínez & Tabatabai 2011; Kandeler *et al.* 2011).

We found pronounced variation in the relative importance of different drivers of changes in microbial soil properties among the three study regions. This regional variation may be due to differences in soil conditions, namely texture, soil type and water regime. For example in the North-East, changes in microbial soil properties were often linked to changes in soil pH. This is unlikely to be a consequence of land management, e.g. liming or ammonium fertilization, as the explained variance would have been attributed to land use. Instead we suggest that the lower buffering capacity of the sandy soils made alteration in the redox-potential caused by shifts in the water regime more likely, compared to the other regions. Enzymatic activities were strongly affected by changing pH levels, which is in accordance with the importance of pH for soil enzyme activities reported by Acosta-Martínez and Tabatabai (2011). While microbial activity was affected by pH, the F:B ratio, i.e. the community composition of soils, did not respond to pH changes, likely because pH varied by a maximum of 1.6 units within a site. This small range probably explains why this finding differs from studies which found strong pH effects on microbial community composition; these reported pH values ranging from 3 to 9 (Fierer & Jackson 2006; Griffiths *et al.* 2011).

Results from all three regions, demonstrated that short-term changes in environmental, land-management and especially plant variables have important and rapid effects on soil microbial properties. Structural equation modelling added further insight to this finding by providing evidence that these changes operate directly, via changes in land management and nutrient inputs. Meanwhile, legacy effects of land-use intensity also acted, but more indirectly via plant functional traits. However short-term trait effects were the most common driver of microbial change in most cases. Our results showed that legacy effects of land-use can be strong drivers of current changes to soil microbes and their activity. However, there was little evidence that land-use legacies affected the impact of current land-use changes (Perring *et al.* 2016), as

significant interactions between land-use change and land-use history were not observed. To our knowledge, we are the first study to demonstrate a legacy effect of land-use intensity on changes to the function and community composition of soil microorganisms. We suggest that plant mediated legacy effects are due to the long-term and cumulative effects of land-use intensity on plant communities which take several years to adjust to management practices. Furthermore, we hypothesise that the importance of these legacy effects in driving soil microbial changes, relative to short-term variation in land management, is due to a time lag between changes in soil microbial communities, which decompose not only fresh but also old organic material. Therefore, part of the microbial community is feeding on 'historic' substrates, i.e. more recalcitrant, older soil organic carbon (Müller *et al.* 2016), and this component 'catches up' with the land-use change and corresponding vegetation change as vegetation inputs related to more recent land-use changes enter these more slowly cycling pools.

Conclusion

By studying the changes in microbial soil properties in successive years on 150 sites in three regions together with environmental, land management and plant properties at the sites, we were able to show that vegetation change was the primary driver of changes in soil microbial communities and activities. However, regions differed in their behaviour, most likely due to variance in key properties such as climate, soil types and hydrological conditions. Wider studies across an even fuller range of conditions are required to gain a mechanistic understanding of these context dependencies. Where changes in soil microbial properties were not explained by vegetation they were driven by changes in pH. Importantly, we were able to show that legacy effects of land-use intensity can be strong and that they are mediated by functional plant traits, in particular leaf P, which was consistently the best predictor, among many, of belowground changes between years. Furthermore, this study emphasizes that while both legacy and short-term changes in the environment can drive microbial abundance, community composition and functional change that short-term changes play the greater role. Our results suggest that restoration efforts which shape and redirect plant communities may be an effective means of managing soil communities and the functions and services they provide, but that such efforts may take a long time to prove their effectiveness.

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Figures

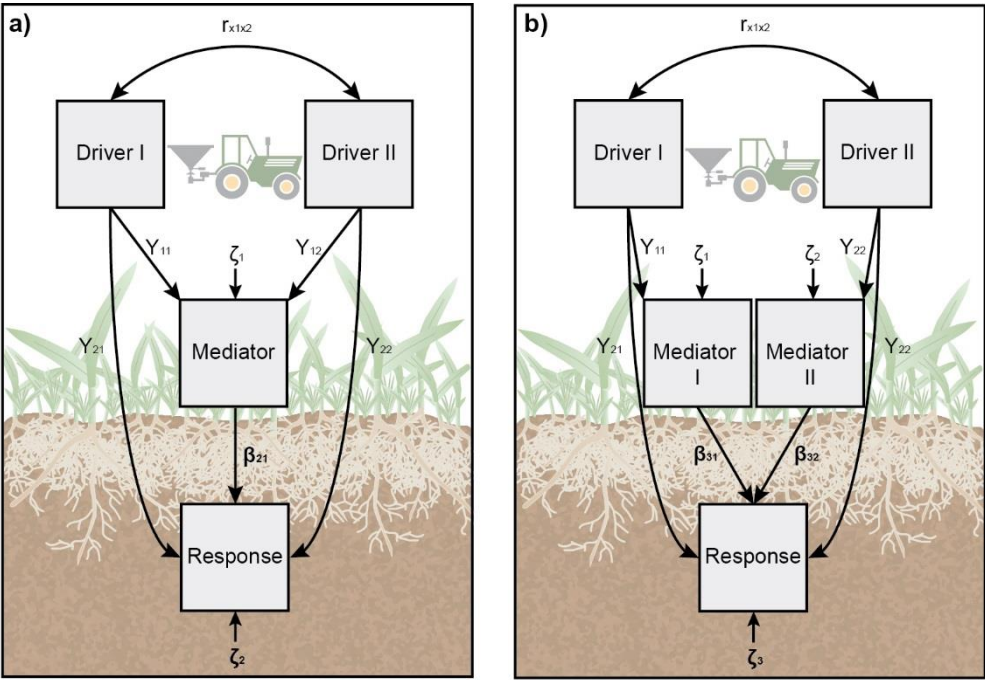
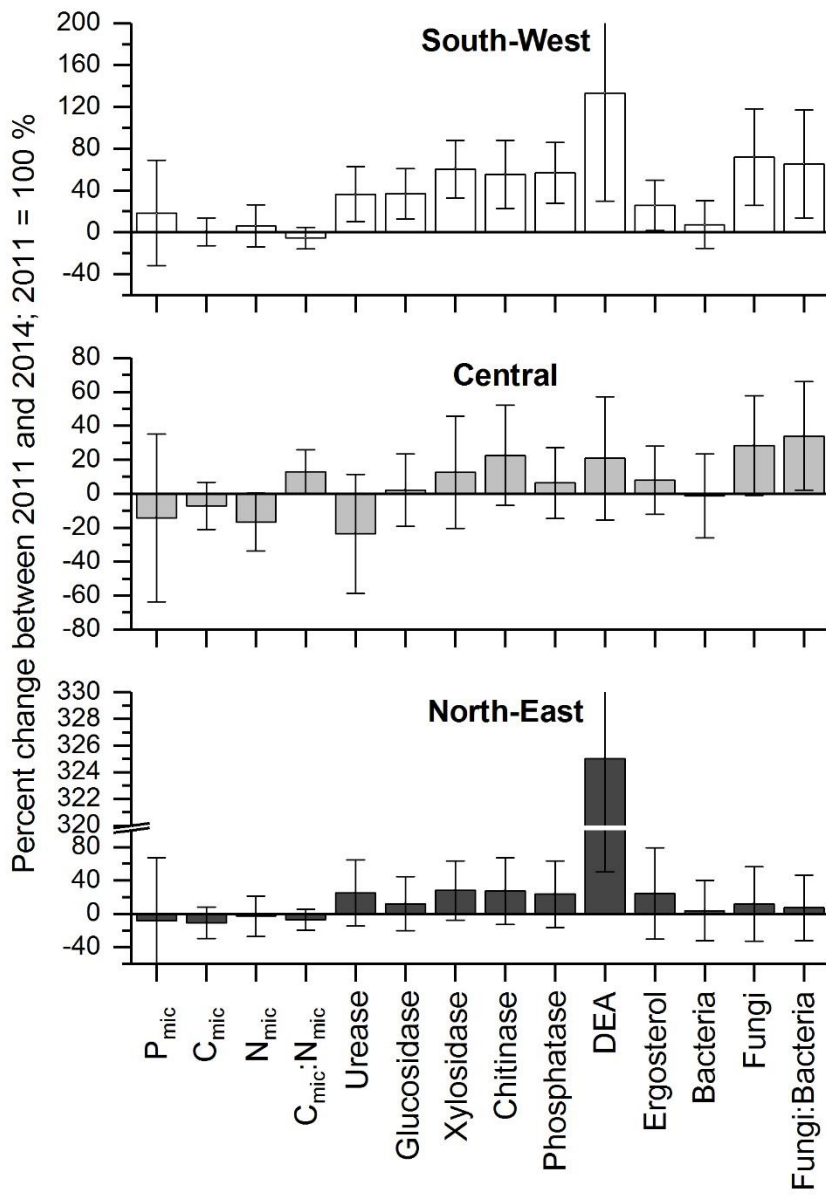
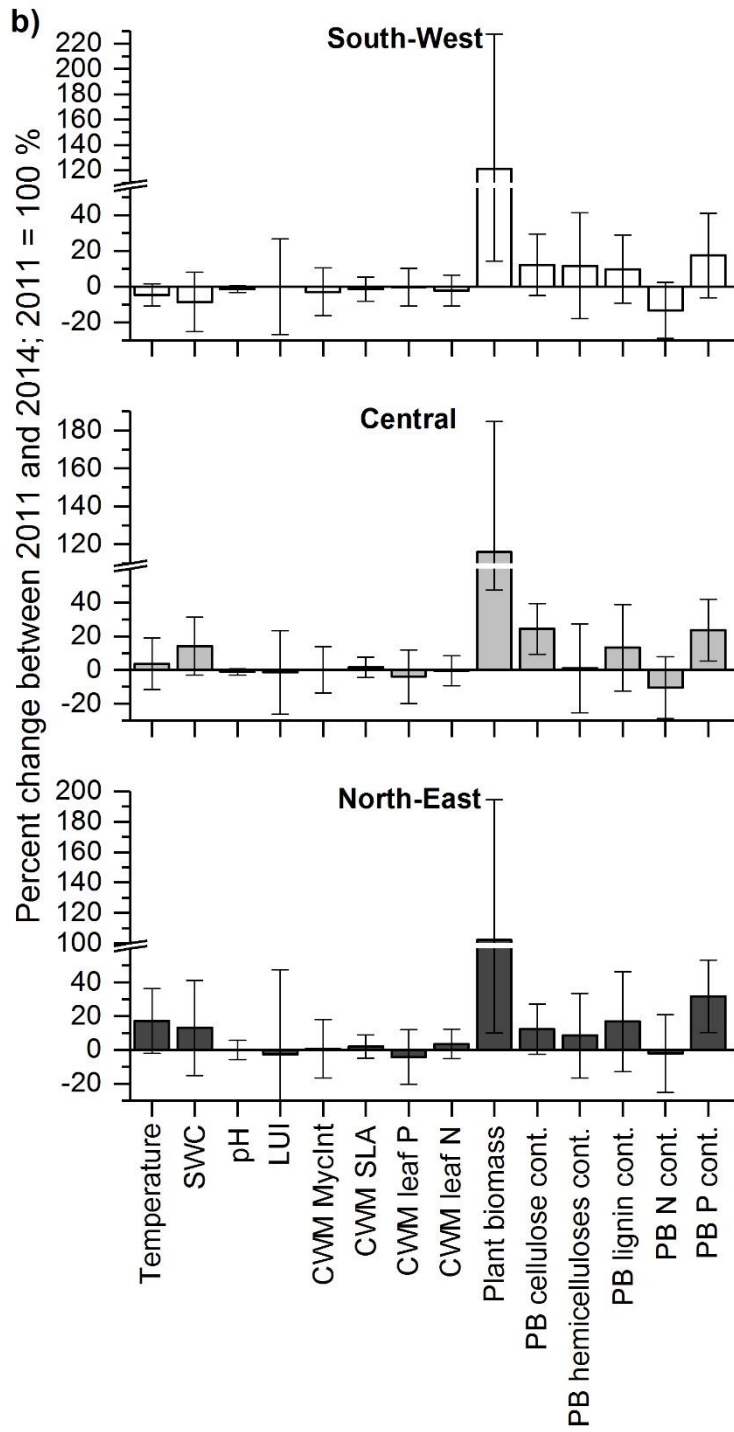


Figure 1: a) causal diagram of SEMs with one mediator variable (changes) for all regions, b) causal diagram of SEMs with both, historic and change values of mediator variable for all regions. LISREL notation is used. Driver I = LUI_h , Driver II = ΔLUI , mediator variables (I and II in order of appearance) are i) CWM leaf P_h and ΔCWM leaf P, ii) CWM $MycInt_h$ and ΔCWM $MycInt$, iii) pH_h and ΔpH , iv) Δ plant biomass and v) Δ lignin, response = endogenous soil microbial variable.

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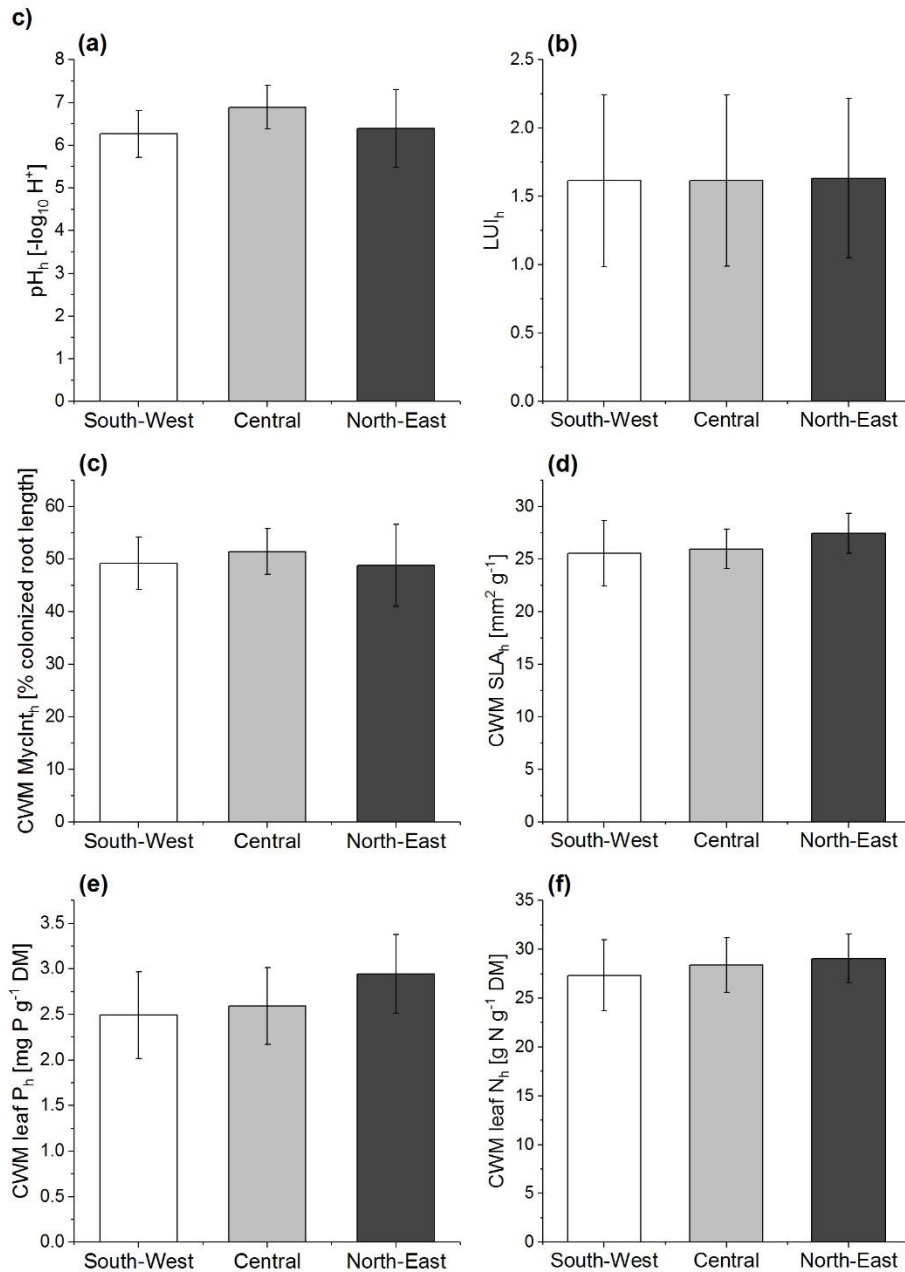
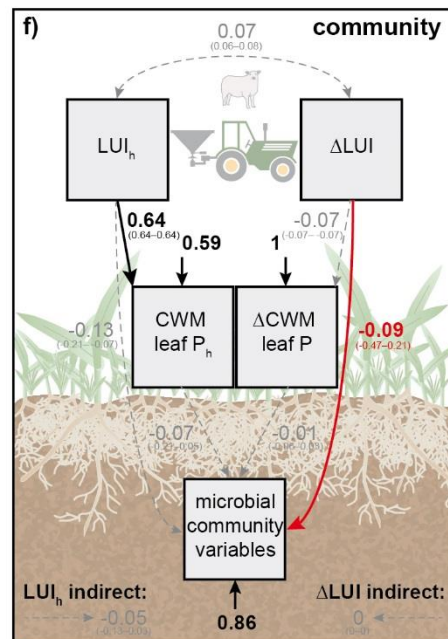
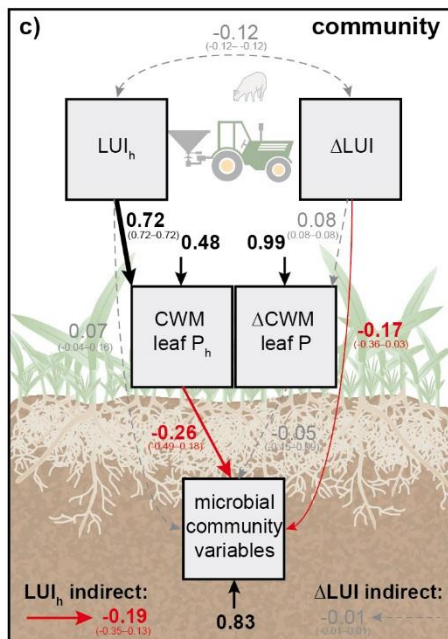
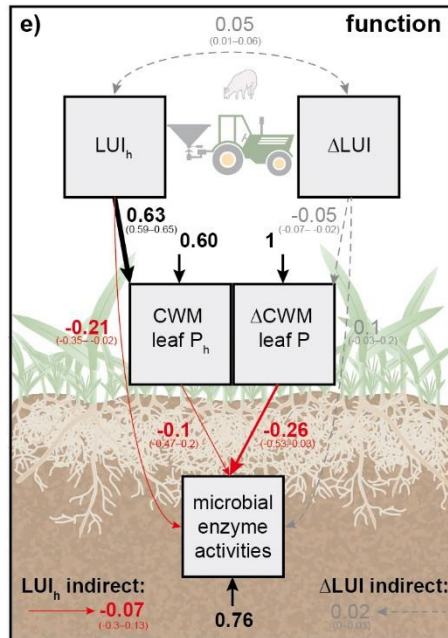
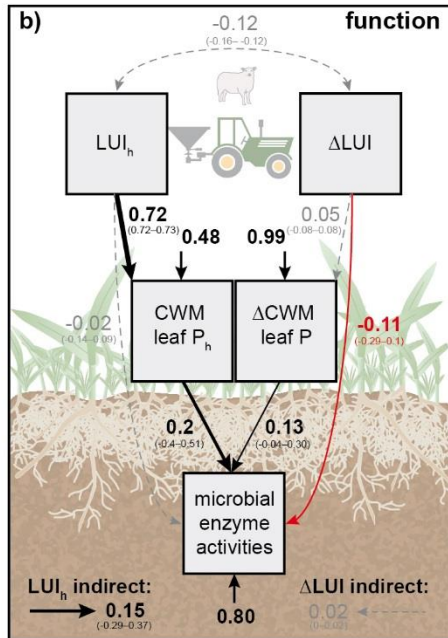
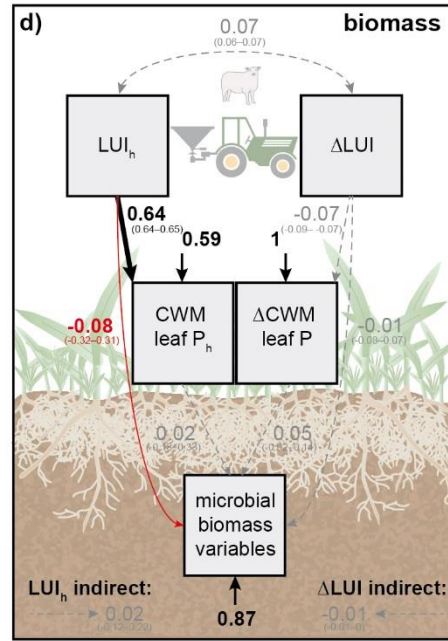
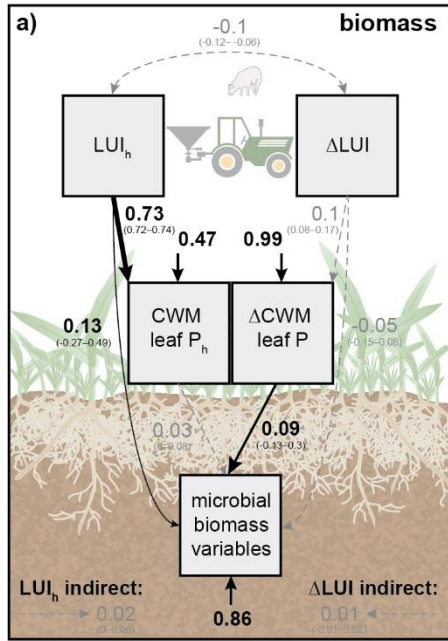


Figure 2: Mean regional changes in variables between 2011 and 2014 displayed as percent change of 2014 based on 2011 a) microbial soil properties, b) environmental, land management and plant variables, and c) historic mean values of explanatory variables for pH, LUI, CWM MycInt, CWM SLA, CWM leaf P and CWM leaf N (mean per region). Whiskers indicate standard deviation.

South-West

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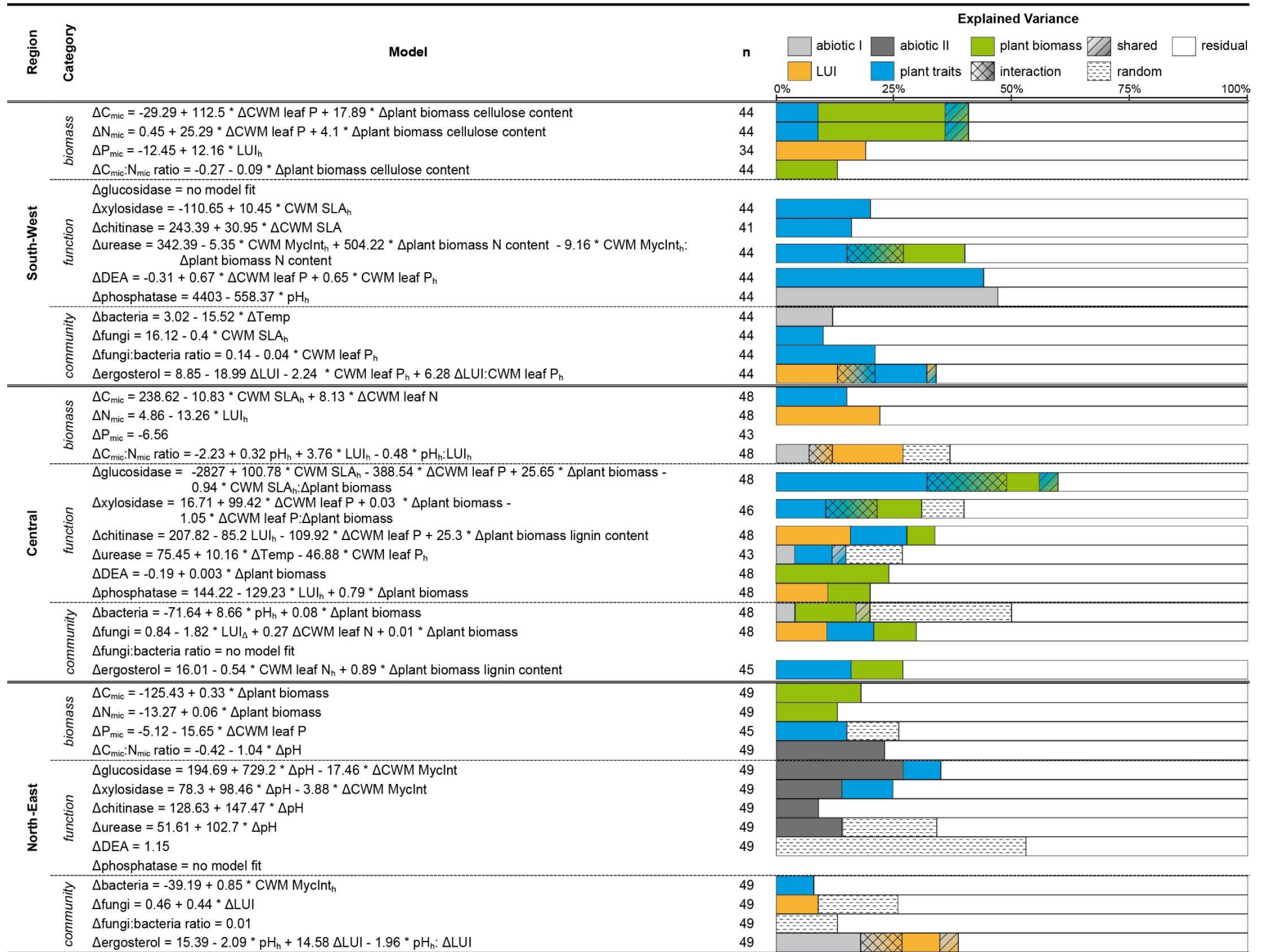
percentage of significant paths across all models

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| → | 67 % | → | 33 % | → | 17 % | → | |

Figure 3: Summarized results of the SEMs of the South-West and Central regions. Figures a-f show the error weighted means of standardized estimates over all paths (with minimum and maximum estimates) for microbial variables: biomass (C_{mic} , N_{mic} , P_{mic} , $C_{mic}:N_{mic}$ ratio), function (enzyme activities of glucosidase, xylosidase, chitinase, urease, DEA, phosphatase) and community composition (bacterial and fungal PLFA, fungi:bacteria ratio, ergosterol content). Path thickness relates to percentage of significant paths within each variable group. Dotted lines indicate paths that were never significant.

Tables

Table 1: Results of hierarchical regressions in South-West, Central and North-East Germany. Models are displayed in form of: $y_i = b_0 + b_1X_{1i} + b_2X_{2i} + \dots + b_kX_{ki} + \varepsilon_i$. Bars indicate the percentage of unique variance explained by each level based on R^2 ; Δ = change, $_h$ = historic, n = number of observations.



Appendix 1: Details on materials and methods

Plant functional trait shifts explain concurrent changes in the structure and function of grassland soil microbial communities

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Land-use intensity

Land-use intensity varied on the sites over the years depending on farm management. The land-use intensity index (LUI) of Blüthgen et al. (2012) was used to assess mowing frequency as well as grazing and N-fertilization intensity standardized per region and is calculated by the formula:

$$LUI_i = \sqrt{\frac{F_i}{F_{mean,R}} + \frac{M_i}{M_{mean,R}} + \frac{G_i}{G_{mean,R}}}$$

Thereby i the site, R is the region, F is fertilization intensity in kg nitrogen ha⁻¹ year⁻¹, M is number of cuts per year, and G is livestock density for grazing in livestock units days of grazing ha⁻¹ a⁻¹, with 1 livestock unit = 500 kg animal life weight. Previous analyses have shown that the metric produces similar results when standardised by the means of all regions as the range of intensities with each is similar (Blüthgen et al., 2012, Allan et al., 2015).

Soil Microbial analyses

Microbial biomass measures

Microbial biomass carbon (C_{mic}) and nitrogen (N_{mic}) were measured using the chloroform-fumigation-extraction method (CFE) according to Vance, Brookes and Jenkinson (1987). Carbon and N were extracted from each, 24 h chloroform fumigated and non-fumigated, replicate (10 g) with 40 mL 0.5 M K₂SO₄ by shaking 30 minutes on a horizontal shaker at 150 rpm and subsequently centrifuging for 30 minutes at 4400 g. The supernatant was filtered, diluted by 1:4 and C and N concentrations in resulting extracts were measured on a TOC/TN analyzer (Multi N/C 2100S, Analytik Jena AG, Jena, Germany).

Microbial phosphorous (P_{mic}) was measured using a combination of methods by Kouno, Tuchiya and Ando (1995) and McLaughlin, Alston and Martin (1986). Conditioning of resin stripes was done using 0.5 M $NaHCO_3$ (pH = 8.5). Three aliquots of moist soil equalling 2 g of dry soil per sample were weighed into 50 mL polyethylene tubes and 30 mL distilled water (H_2O_{dest}) was added to each tube. One tube was non-fumigated (without aliquots (1) H_2O_{dest}), the second one was fumigated with 1 mL hexanol ((2) H_2O_{dest} and liquid hexanol) and at the third one 1 mL of 20 $\mu g P mL^{-1}$ as dissolved KH_2PO_4 was added ((3) H_2O_{dest} and a P spike) to correct for P release during the fumigation. Soil samples were horizontally shaken for 16 hours with $NaHCO_3$ conducted resin membrane stripes. Afterwards, stripes were rinsed with H_2O_{dest} to remove adhering soil and transferred into fresh tubes. Afterwards, 30 mL 0.1 M sodium chloride/hydrochloric acid were added, and the resin stripes shaken for 2 hours to desorb P. To correct for sorption of P released during fumigation in the calculation of hexanol P, we used a sorption curve between non-fumigated and P spiked samples (Bünemann, 2008). We did not use a transformation factor for the calculated P_{hex} concentrations and used P_{mic} synonymously for P_{hex} in accordance with Oberson and Joner (2005) and Bünemann (2008).

Soil enzyme activities

Enzyme activities of beta-glucosidase (EC 3.2.1.21), beta-xylosidase (EC 3.2.1.37), N-acetyl-beta-glucosaminidase (EC 3.2.1.52), phosphatase (EC 3.1.3.1) and urease (EC 3.5.1.5) as well as denitrification enzyme activity (DEA) were measured in this study. The first four enzymes were determined using the method of Marx, Wood and Jarvis (2001) and fluorescent 4-methylumbelliferone substrates (4-MUF; Sigma- Aldrich, St. Louis, USA) together with a buffered solution of pH 6.1, as described in detail by Berner et al. (2011). Urease activity was measured photometrically according to Kandeler and Gerber (1988) as described in Schinner, Öhlinger, Kandeler and Margesin (1996).

Denitrification enzyme activity was measured after Keil et al. (2015) according to a method based on Smith and Tiedje (1979). Shortly, two replicates per soil sample with each 2 g fresh weight were weighed into three 118 mL flasks and 10 mL substrate solution (1.07 mM KNO_3 and 1 mM glucose) added. The bottles were closed air tight and oxygen was removed from the system by repeated evacuating and subsequently filling with N_2 . 10 mL of N_2 were removed from the headspace and refilled with 10 mL of acetone-free acetylene. Bottles were incubated at 25 °C while shaking at 150 rpm and immediately, and after 30, 60 and 120 minutes 1 mL of the flask headspace was withdrawn with a gas-tight syringe and injected in pre-evacuated 5.9 mL exetainers (Labco scientific, UK) and 11 mL N_2 were added. Measurement of N_2O was done on a gas chromatograph (Agilent 7890 gas chromatograph equipped with an ECD detector, Agilent, Santa Clara, CA, USA). Potential N_2O release due to denitrification ($ng N_2O g^{-1} dry soil h^{-1}$) from soil was calculated from the linear regression of N_2O concentration against time.

Microbial community structure

Microbial community composition in terms of bacterial and fungal abundance was analysed using the phospholipid fatty acid composition of soils. Extraction was conducted following the protocol of Frostegard, Tunlid and Baath (1991). 2 g of soil were extracted with 9.2 mL of single-phase mixture (chloroform:methanol:citrate buffer (0.15 M, pH 4.0), 1:2:0.8, v:v:v) for 2 hours on a horizontal shaker (125 rpm) followed by centrifugation (2500 rpm, 10 minutes). The liquid phase was transferred into fresh centrifuge glasses and soil washed with 2.5 mL single-phase mixture, centrifuged (2500 rpm, 10 minutes) and the supernatant transferred as before. The supernatant solution was then mixed with 3.1 mL CHCl_3 and 3.1 mL citrate buffer on a horizontal shaker (275 rpm, 10 minutes) and centrifuged (2500 rpm, 10 minutes). 4 mL of the lower, lipid-containing phase was transferred into fresh test-tubes and the solvents evaporated on a heating plate at 37 °C under constant N_2 flow. The test-tubes with the dried lipid material were stored in a fridge over night at + 4 °C.

For the lipid fractionation, material was solved in 3 x 100 μL CHCl_3 and transferred on silica columns (Bond Elut-SI, 500 mg, 3 mL Agilent Technologies Inc., Santa Clara, USA) in a Baker System. After flushing out the neutral lipids (5 mL CHCl_3) and glycolipids (20 mL acetone) the columns were flushed with 5 mL methanol; this last fraction of polar lipids was collected in centrifuge test-tubes. Under a constant N_2 stream the methanol was evaporated on a heating plate at 40 °C until the samples were dried.

As a third step the alkaline methanolysis was performed after Dowling, Widdel and White (1986) to gain fatty acid methyl esters (FAME). The resulting organic phase, consistent of FAMEs from phospholipids and solvents, was evaporated under a constant N_2 stream at 40 °C. For measurement at the gas chromatograph (AutoSystem XL, PerkinElmer Inc., Massachusetts, USA) samples were solved in 100 μL isooctane and stored in GC vials at 4 °C until measurement. Following Ruess and Chamberlain (2010) the PLFA FAMEs a15:0, i15:0, i16:0, and i17:0 together with cy17:0 and cy19:0 as well as 16:1 ω 7 were used to represent soil bacteria, while PLFA FAME 18:2 ω 6,9 served as a fungal indicator. The fungal to bacteria ratio (F:B) was calculated.

Fungal biomass was also determined as ergosterol content of bio-membranes according to the modified approach of Djajakirana, Joergensen and Meyer (1996). Ergosterol was extracted from 2 g of soil with 25 mL ethanol during 30 minutes shaking on a horizontal shaker at 150 rpm. Solid particles were sedimented by centrifugation for 30 minutes at 4422 \times g. 10 mL of the supernatant were dried at 50 °C in a vacuum rotary evaporator (Martin Christ, RVC 2-25, Osterode am Harz, Germany). Dried extracts were dissolved in 1 mL methanol and samples transferred into 2 mL brown glass HPLC vials via cellulose-acetate filters (0.45 μm ; Sartorius Stedim Biotech GmbH, Gottingen, Germany). Ergosterol in samples was quantified

by HPLC analysis (Beckmann Coulter, System Gold 125, Fullerton, USA) using a 250 mm × 4.6 mm Spherisorb ODS II 5 µm column with a mobile phase of pure methanol, a flow rate of 1 mL minute⁻¹ and a detection wavelength of 282 nm (Beckmann Coulter, System Gold 166 UV-detector, Fullerton, USA). Pure ergosterol (Sigma–Aldrich, St. Louis, USA) for calibration was dissolved in methanol and diluted to give final concentrations of 0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 1.0, 2.0, 5 and 10 µg ergosterol mL⁻¹.

Abiotic soil analyses

Nitrate and ammonium were extracted from 10 g soil with 0.5 M K₂SO₄ solution (1:4, g soil:mL solution) following the isonorm protocol DIN ISO 14256-2 (2006) and measured with an AutoAnalyzer 3 (Bran & Luebbe, Norderstedt, Germany). Nitrate was measured at 550 nm wavelength and ammonium at 660 nm. To determine extractable organic carbon (EOC) and extractable nitrogen (EN) the extracts for analysing mineral nitrogen were diluted 1:4 and measured using a TOC/TN analyser (Multi N/C 2100S, Analytik Jena AG, Jena, Germany). Total C (C_{org}) and total N (N_t) were measured by dry combustion using an elemental analyser (VarioMax, Elementar Analysensysteme GmbH, Hanau, Germany). Inorganic C was determined after removal of organic C at a temperature of 450 °C for 16 h. The difference between total and inorganic C equals the organic C. Bulk density was calculated as g dry soil, excluding stones, per cubic centimetre.

Plant data

Plant traits

Single plant species trait values from the TRY database (Kattge et al., 2011) were obtained by averaging the data by author. This way, disproportionate contributions of one author to a single species was accounted for. Where trait data was not available for single species recorded at the field sites, the CWM was calculated using only known species. This only occurred for very few species which accounted overall for 0.05% of total plot coverage and therefore did not affect the overall results.

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Plant biomass properties

Aboveground community biomass was sampled in May 2011 and 2014 by cutting the vegetation at a height of 2–3 cm in four 0.5 × 0.5 m subplots in close proximity to the vegetation quadrat. In meadows, we sampled plant biomass at the same time as the first hay harvest by the farmer. In pastures and mown pastures, we temporarily fenced our subplots to ensure that the vegetation had not been grazed before plant biomass sampling. The biomass was dried at 80 °C for 48 hr, weighed, and ground to fine powder using cyclone mill (Cyclotec 1093, Foss, Höganäs, Sweden). Samples were analysed for the percent neutral detergent fibre (NDF), acid detergent fibre (ADF) and acid detergent lignin (ADL, lignin), as well as P and N content using near-infrared spectroscopy (NIRS). The concentrations were derived from previously established calibration models by recording a specific reflectance spectrum of each sample from 1250 to 2350 nm at intervals of 1 nm (algorithmically averaged over 24 measurements). For details see Klaus et al. (2016) and Kleinebecker, Klaus and Hölzel (2011). From these measures, cellulose (= ADF – ADL), hemicelluloses (= NDF – ADF) and the lignin to N ratio were calculated according to Kirchgeßner (2014).

Statistical analyses

Statistical modelling of changes in soil properties

In preliminary hierarchical regression model analyses we found that several variables were not significantly related to any soil microbial community and function variables. These were: measures of plant species richness, functional diversity (Rao's Q index), a composite measure of plant traits representing the fast-slow spectrum based upon the first axis scores of a principal component analysis of CWM SLA, CWM leaf P and CWM leaf N, plant functional group identity (abundance of legumes, grasses and forbs) and lignin:N ratio of plant biomass. These variables were omitted from the final modelling procedure to reduce its complexity.

Structural equation models

We tested two estimators, ML (maximum likelihood estimation) and the more robust towards non-normal distribution and heteroscedasticity estimator MLM (maximum likelihood estimation with robust standard errors and a Satorra-Bentler scaled test statistic (Rosseel, 2012)), on a

subset of variables for each region from all three categories – biomass, enzyme activities and community composition (C_{mic} , N_{mic} , $C_{mic}:N_{mic}$, glucosidase, phosphatase, urease, bacterial PLFA and fungal PLFA). The two estimators (ML and MLM) gave the same outcome – CWM leaf P was the best mediator variable in the South-West and Central regions and unfortunately the covariance matrices of SEMs in the North-East regions differed significantly from the data for both estimators.

There were some small differences in the exact values calculated with the two estimators: comparing the results obtained by MLM to those of ML yielded an increase in the number of significant paths by <1% (both for standardized and unstandardized p -values) and, on average, standard errors were 2.5% higher for unstandardized and 2.7% lower for standardized errors, while z -values were higher by 2.5% (unstandardized) and 6.1% (standardized) when using MLM. Unstandardized regression coefficients and standardized correlation coefficients were identical in 100% of cases and R^2 values of the models in 99.7% of cases. As the results did not essentially differ from each other, we chose the default ML estimator for our SEMs.

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Appendix 2

R-Code example for hierarchical regression modelling and structural equation models to the manuscript entitled
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Here, we present the R-code for the data analyses of the manuscript entitled "Plant functional trait shifts explain concurrent changes in the structure and function of grassland soil microbial communities". It contains the data analyses of fungal PLFA by hierarchical regression modelling and structural equation modelling as example for the code used on all other microbial variables encompassed in this manuscript.

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1 Hierarchical regression modelling

The hierarchical set up of the model contains five levels as follows:

`lm(soil property change~environment + landmanagement + plant functional traits + plant biomass properties)`. The level contents are displayed in Table 1 with Δ = change, $_{bv}$ = background value, and $_h$ = historic:

Table 1: Overview on hierarchical levels in the modelling process

| Level | overall description | fixed effects |
|---------|--------------------------|--|
| Level 1 | environmental factors | Δ temperature, Δ soil water content, pH_{bv} |
| Level 2 | land management | Δ LUI, LUI_h |
| Level 3 | pH change | Δ pH |
| Level 4 | plant functional traits | Δ mycorrhizal intensity, mycorrhizal intensity _h , Δ SLA, SLA_h , Δ leaf P, leaf P _h , Δ leaf N, leaf N _h |
| Level 5 | plant biomass properties | Δ plant biomass, Δ plant biomass cellulose content, Δ plant biomass hemi-cellulose content, Δ plant biomass lignin content, Δ plant biomass P content, Δ plant biomass N content |

We start with a null model and add the individual fixed effects of the 1st level, each time testing for AIC. After all fixed effect variables of that level have been tested individually, those which improved AIC by more than 2 were combined in one model and the `step()` function used to chose the best combination of fixed effects based on AIC. Afterwards, each of the fixed effects was tested for significance (p -values <0.05). The significant fixed effects were kept in the model and first order interactions between all fixed effects were tested for significance. All significant fixed effects and interactions after the the first level represented the null model for the next level. This procedure was used throuhgout all levels. It could happen during the process, that variables added later on replaced others which were added before, but became insignificant after addition of a new variable. Only significant variables and interactions were kept in the final model.

As the gradient length (range of values) within one exploratory for the fixed effects is not long, we do not expect a polynomial curve structure and therefore use linear variables without, e.g., quadratic terms.

Analysis procedure:

1. set up basic model and test spatial autocorrelation structures
2. test if correlation structures can be replaced by random effects, i.e. PlotID and soil type
3. test if random structure is needed at all
4. choose null model based on previous tests
5. select fixed effects (see above)
6. set up final full model and display its results

Spatial correlation structure:

All plots have latitude and longitude data, as well as the respective easting and northing assigned. Some of the variance in the data might be explained by the different spatial locations of the various plots. Therefore, we identify the spatial autocorrelation structure for our models. As metric system we use the default **euclidean** distance for the root sum-of-squares of distances.

There are several spatial correlation structures, which are tested for:

- exponential spatial correlation (corExp)
- Gaussian spatial correlation (corGaus)
- spherical spatial correlation (corSpher)
- linear spatial correlation (corLin)
- Rational quadratics spatial correlation (corRatio)

1.1 Hierarchical regressions for fungal PLFA

Load data:

```
regression_data_all <- read.table(file = "regression_data_all_2017-11_R.txt", header = T)

summary(regression_data_all)

##      PlotID Exploratory LUI_change Graz_change Fert_change Mow_change
## AEG01 : 1 ALB:50      Min. : -2.016265 Min. : -3.8989 Min. : -7.959 Min. : -2.2300
## AEG02 : 1 HAI:50      1st Qu.: -0.289367 1st Qu.: -0.2934 1st Qu.: 0.000 1st Qu.: -0.1023
## AEG03 : 1 SCH:50      Median: -0.006556 Median : 0.0000 Median : 0.000 Median : 0.0000
## AEG04 : 1          Mean : -0.021365 Mean : 0.0000 Mean : 0.000 Mean : 0.0000
## AEG05 : 1          3rd Qu.: 0.258984 3rd Qu.: 0.3584 3rd Qu.: 0.000 3rd Qu.: 0.0000
## AEG06 : 1          Max. : 2.721237 Max. : 6.5584 Max. : 13.651 Max. : 2.3810
## (Other):144
##      CN_ratio      pH_change      Pmic      Cmic      Nmic
## Min. : -0.89464 Min. : -1.63500 Min. : -44.053 Min. : -362.66 Min. : -68.296
## 1st Qu.: -0.21299 1st Qu.: -0.15500 1st Qu.: -11.905 1st Qu.: -87.72 1st Qu.: -17.914
## Median: -0.06519 Median: -0.08500 Median: -5.153 Median: -41.55 Median: -5.407
## Mean : -0.09290 Mean : -0.05487 Mean : -0.457 Mean : -35.50 Mean : -4.272
## 3rd Qu.: 0.05864 3rd Qu.: 0.00375 3rd Qu.: 8.523 3rd Qu.: 23.98 3rd Qu.: 8.150
## Max. : 1.54483 Max. : 1.39000 Max. : 66.594 Max. : 224.35 Max. : 62.877
##      NA's : 20
##      RatioCmic_Nmic      Urease      Glucosidase      Xylosidase      Chitinase
## Min. : -2.88932 Min. : -224.06 Min. : -990.61 Min. : -251.36 Min. : -291.36
## 1st Qu.: -0.58188 1st Qu.: -18.34 1st Qu.: -11.31 1st Qu.: 20.18 1st Qu.: 43.04
## Median: -0.09740 Median: 29.16 Median: 195.68 Median: 84.19 Median: 119.93
## Mean : -0.01498 Mean : 30.24 Mean : 241.78 Mean : 88.66 Mean : 151.51
## 3rd Qu.: 0.56108 3rd Qu.: 75.18 3rd Qu.: 508.15 3rd Qu.: 150.85 3rd Qu.: 260.73
## Max. : 2.71386 Max. : 347.94 Max. : 1434.12 Max. : 386.74 Max. : 711.18
##      NA's : 5      NA's : 2      NA's : 3
##      Phosphatase      DEA      Ergosterol      gram_pos      gram_neg
## Min. : -1043.8 Min. : -1.3181 Min. : -7.0878 Min. : -47.8009 Min. : -10.1362
## 1st Qu.: 111.6 1st Qu.: 0.3401 1st Qu.: 0.4036 1st Qu.: -8.6523 1st Qu.: -0.4207
## Median: 353.9 Median: 0.7217 Median: 2.0094 Median: 0.6145 Median: 1.5282
## Mean : 497.5 Mean : 1.2429 Mean : 2.2251 Mean : 0.3761 Mean : 1.9177
## 3rd Qu.: 783.2 3rd Qu.: 1.8726 3rd Qu.: 3.6506 3rd Qu.: 7.2329 3rd Qu.: 4.0992
## Max. : 5400.0 Max. : 7.7424 Max. : 24.6228 Max. : 69.0361 Max. : 20.1580
##      NA's : 3
##      bactotal      fungi      fungi_bac      invertebrates      Summe_mikro
## Min. : -82.709 Min. : -4.4981 Min. : -0.042755 Min. : -0.9979 Min. : -63.58
## 1st Qu.: -10.223 1st Qu.: 0.4738 1st Qu.: 0.002091 1st Qu.: -0.1466 1st Qu.: 33.41
## Median: 3.725 Median: 1.7975 Median: 0.021682 Median: 0.2663 Median: 64.47
## Mean : 3.429 Mean : 2.7771 Mean : 0.028871 Mean : 0.4701 Mean : 73.18
## 3rd Qu.: 14.580 3rd Qu.: 4.8302 3rd Qu.: 0.051347 3rd Qu.: 1.0906 3rd Qu.: 101.92
## Max. : 95.554 Max. : 15.3757 Max. : 0.150446 Max. : 3.0566 Max. : 291.08
##      NA's : 2
##      RatioCmic_Ct      nbbsp_change      RaoQ_change      CWM_Myc_int_change      CWM_SLA_change
## Min. : -4.7284 Min. : -6.000 Min. : -0.0085986 Min. : -29.4599 Min. : -5.0499
## 1st Qu.: -0.9559 1st Qu.: 1.000 1st Qu.: -0.0004898 1st Qu.: -3.4171 1st Qu.: -0.8480
## Median: 0.1799 Median: 3.000 Median: 0.0014843 Median: 0.1407 Median: 0.2078
## Mean : 0.1594 Mean : 3.331 Mean : 0.0018352 Mean : -0.3410 Mean : 0.1964
## 3rd Qu.: 1.3024 3rd Qu.: 6.000 3rd Qu.: 0.0036900 3rd Qu.: 4.4686 3rd Qu.: 1.3105
## Max. : 6.6702 Max. : 21.000 Max. : 0.0138481 Max. : 15.9860 Max. : 5.0329
##      NA's : 1      NA's : 2      NA's : 2      NA's : 2      NA's : 2
##      CWM_leafP_change      CWM_leafN_change      CWM_LDMC_change      no_grasses      no_legumes
## Min. : -1.33210 Min. : -7.7193 Min. : -0.093339 Min. : -6.000 Min. : -3.0000
## 1st Qu.: -0.31316 1st Qu.: -1.3484 1st Qu.: -0.026612 1st Qu.: -1.000 1st Qu.: -1.0000
## Median: -0.04561 Median: 0.2613 Median: -0.010017 Median: 1.000 Median: 0.0000
## Mean : -0.07882 Mean : 0.1075 Mean : -0.008479 Mean : 0.604 Mean : 0.1342
## 3rd Qu.: 0.12778 3rd Qu.: 1.8732 3rd Qu.: 0.014812 3rd Qu.: 2.000 3rd Qu.: 1.0000
## Max. : 1.81179 Max. : 7.9321 Max. : 0.110865 Max. : 8.000 Max. : 4.0000
##      NA's : 2      NA's : 2      NA's : 2      NA's : 1      NA's : 1
##      no_herbs      Plant_Biomass      Cellulose      Hemicellulosen      Lignin
## Min. : -15.000 Min. : -81.55 Min. : -3.5370 Min. : -16.590 Min. : -2.5870
## 1st Qu.: -1.000 1st Qu.: 73.20 1st Qu.: 0.8545 1st Qu.: -2.144 1st Qu.: -0.2475
## Median: 2.000 Median: 154.60 Median: 2.2070 Median: 1.383 Median: 0.6140
## Mean : 1.342 Mean : 167.34 Mean : 2.6439 Mean : 1.575 Mean : 0.6297
## 3rd Qu.: 3.000 3rd Qu.: 238.85 3rd Qu.: 4.5150 3rd Qu.: 5.697 3rd Qu.: 1.4410
## Max. : 10.000 Max. : 611.85 Max. : 10.0720 Max. : 16.381 Max. : 3.9210
##      NA's : 1      NA's : 1      NA's : 3      NA's : 3      NA's : 3
##      Pfl_N      Pfl_P      Lignin_N_ratio      Fast_Slow_Gradient_change      nbbsp_historic
## Min. : -1.260 Min. : -0.07700 Min. : -1.49778 Min. : -3.70365 Min. : 13.00
## 1st Qu.: -0.444 1st Qu.: 0.02300 1st Qu.: 0.08135 1st Qu.: -0.88178 1st Qu.: 19.25
## Median: -0.188 Median: 0.05900 Median: 0.47539 Median: -0.06923 Median: 24.25
## Mean : -0.185 Mean : 0.05397 Mean : 0.55457 Mean : 0.00000 Mean : 26.53
## 3rd Qu.: 0.131 3rd Qu.: 0.08600 3rd Qu.: 0.91583 3rd Qu.: 0.82979 3rd Qu.: 30.25
## Max. : 1.391 Max. : 0.18500 Max. : 2.62676 Max. : 4.35581 Max. : 61.75
##      NA's : 3      NA's : 3      NA's : 3      NA's : 2
```

```
## RaoQ_historic      CWM_Myc_int_historic CWM_SLA_historic CWM_leafP_historic CWM_leafN_historic
## Min.      :0.008352 Min.      :27.45      Min.      :19.91      Min.      :1.548      Min.      :19.03
## 1st Qu.:0.015276  1st Qu.:46.92      1st Qu.:25.36      1st Qu.:2.427      1st Qu.:26.74
## Median :0.016924  Median :50.53      Median :26.67      Median :2.704      Median :28.74
## Mean    :0.017109  Mean    :49.79      Mean    :26.32      Mean    :2.675      Mean    :28.25
## 3rd Qu.:0.018595  3rd Qu.:53.69      3rd Qu.:27.81      3rd Qu.:2.952      3rd Qu.:30.48
## Max.    :0.027817  Max.    :67.58      Max.    :31.11      Max.    :4.196      Max.    :35.15
##
## CWM_LDMC_historic Fast_Slow_Gradient_historic Ts_mean_30d      WHK_mean_30d      LUI_historic
## Min.      :0.2182      Min.      :-3.1286      Min.      :-2.0400      Min.      :-19.890      Min.      :0.5538
## 1st Qu.:0.2727      1st Qu.:-1.1092      1st Qu.: -0.4650      1st Qu.: -1.597      1st Qu.:1.2253
## Median :0.2925      Median :-0.3014      Median : 0.1600      Median : 1.690      Median :1.5870
## Mean    :0.2916      Mean    : 0.0000      Mean    : 0.4952      Mean    : 2.185      Mean    :1.6222
## 3rd Qu.:0.3101      3rd Qu.: 0.9908      3rd Qu.: 0.9650      3rd Qu.: 6.332      3rd Qu.:2.0109
## Max.    :0.3866      Max.    : 4.5679      Max.    : 9.8000      Max.    :47.220      Max.    :3.9580
##
##                      NA's :3      NA's :2
##
##      rw          hw          Bodentyp      pH_historic
## Min. :3515825      Min. :5359200      Cambisol :52      Min. :4.575
## 1st Qu.:3536711      1st Qu.:5367490      Leptosol :33      1st Qu.:5.957
## Median :4389905      Median :5672850      Histosol :19      Median :6.655
## Mean    :4449212      Mean :5639050      Stagnosol:18      Mean :6.512
## 3rd Qu.:5421250      3rd Qu.:5873388      Luvisol  :9      3rd Qu.:7.150
## Max.    :5434900      Max. :5891720      Gleysol  :8      Max. :7.450
##
##                      (Other) :11
```

```
regression_data_all <- regression_data_all[-c(10, 24, 38, 43, 49, 50, 59, 81, 137), ]
# delete rows with missing values in the explanatory variables (10, 24, 59, 81 = missing values in climate
# data; 43, 50 = missing data in plant trait changes; 38, 49, 137 = missing data in plant biomass data) so
# that all models for one response variable are based on the same amount of samples (n)! Very important to
# be able to compare models at all.
ALB_reg <- regression_data_all[regression_data_all$Exploratory == "ALB", ]
```

First, we test the various spatial correlation structures in the basic model:

```
ALB_reg$ID <- 1

model <- lme(fungi ~ 1, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude, random = ~1 | ID, correlation = corExp(form = ~rw +
  hw, metric = "euclidean"), method = "ML")
model2 <- update(model, correlation = corGaus(form = ~rw + hw, metric = "euclidean"))
anova(model, model2) #no improvement in AIC

##      Model df      AIC      BIC    logLik
## model      1  4 254.0798 261.2165 -123.0399
## model2     2  4 254.0798 261.2165 -123.0399

model4 <- update(model, correlation = corSpher(form = ~rw + hw, metric = "euclidean"))
anova(model, model4) #no improvement in AIC

##      Model df      AIC      BIC    logLik
## model      1  4 254.0798 261.2165 -123.0399
## model4     2  4 254.0798 261.2165 -123.0399

model5 <- update(model, correlation = corLin(form = ~rw + hw, metric = "euclidean"))
anova(model, model5) #no improvement in AIC

##      Model df      AIC      BIC    logLik
## model      1  4 254.0798 261.2165 -123.0399
## model5     2  4 254.0798 261.2165 -123.0399

model5 <- update(model, correlation = corRatio(form = ~rw + hw, metric = "euclidean"))
anova(model, model5) #no improvement in AIC

##      Model df      AIC      BIC    logLik
## model      1  4 254.0798 261.2165 -123.0399
## model5     2  4 254.0798 261.2165 -123.0399

model <- lme(fungi ~ 1, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude, random = ~1 | ID, correlation = corExp(form = ~rw +
  hw, metric = "euclidean"), method = "ML")
```

No correlation structure is superior to exponential correlation structure in AIC values. Therefore this correlation structure is used in subsequent modelling.

We additionally test whether the use of a correlation structure is superior over the use of "PlotID" (AEG01, AEG02, etc.) or soil type (Leptosol, Stagnosol, etc.) as random effects and whether a random effect is needed at all.

```

model6 <- lme(fungi ~ 1, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude, random = ~1 | PlotID, method = "ML")
anova(model, model6) #improvement in AIC

##          Model df      AIC      BIC    logLik    Test      L.Ratio p-value
## model        1  4 254.0798 261.2165 -123.0399
## model6       2  3 252.0798 257.4323 -123.0399 1 vs 2 3.611785e-08 0.9998

model7 <- lme(fungi ~ 1, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude, random = ~1 | Bodentyp, method = "ML")
anova(model6, model7) #no improvement in AIC

##          Model df      AIC      BIC    logLik
## model6       1  3 252.0798 257.4323 -123.0399
## model7       2  3 252.0798 257.4323 -123.0399

model8 <- lm(fungi ~ 1, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model6, model8) #improvement in AIC

##          df      AIC
## model6    3 252.0798
## model8    2 250.0798

```

The test shows that the use of a simple linear model without random effect gives the best result, i.e. the lowest AIC value. According to Occam's razor we therefore use the less complex linear model. Therefore the null model does not contain any random effects or correlation structures. The fit of the model residuals is tested with the following code:

```

model <- lm(fungi ~ 1, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)

# plot(model, cex=0.7, cex.lab=0.8, cex.axis=0.7)

# model_residuals <- residuals(model) hist(model_residuals, cex=0.8, cex.lab=0.8, cex.axis=0.8, main='')
# legend('topleft', 'a)', bty='n', cex=1.5)

# qqnorm(model$residuals, cex=0.8, cex.lab=0.8, cex.axis=0.8, main='') legend('topleft', 'b)', bty='n',
# cex=1.5)

```

The model residuals are reasonably normal and homogeniously distributed, i.e. we do not need to transform fungal PLFA.

Summary of the null model:

```

model <- lm(fungi ~ 1, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
summary.lm(model)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = fungi ~ 1, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -9.1361 -2.3913 -0.2587  2.7022  9.3330
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)    6.0427     0.6046   9.994 8.78e-13 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 4.011 on 43 degrees of freedom

summary.aov(model)

##              Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
## Residuals    43  691.6   16.08

```

In the next steps we construct the full model with all significant fixed effects.

1.1.1 Level 1: Environmental factors


```

model0 <- lm(fungi ~ 1, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)

model11_1 <- lm(fungi ~ Ts_mean_30d, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model0, model11_1) #no improvement in AIC

##           df      AIC
## model0    2 250.0798
## model11_1 3 251.3933

model11_2 <- lm(fungi ~ WHK_mean_30d, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model0, model11_2) #no improvement in AIC

##           df      AIC
## model0    2 250.0798
## model11_2 3 252.0166

model11_3 <- lm(fungi ~ pH_historic, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model0, model11_3) #no improvement in AIC

##           df      AIC
## model0    2 250.0798
## model11_3 3 250.1930

```

In case of fungal PLFA, including the environmental parameters into the model does not improve it.

1.1.2 Level 2: Land management

The final model of Level 1 is now extended with the fixed effects of Level 2.

```

model2_0 <- lm(fungi ~ 1, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)

model2_1 <- lm(fungi ~ LUI_historic, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model2_0, model2_1) #no improvement in AIC

##           df      AIC
## model2_0    2 250.0798
## model2_1    3 251.8976

model2_2 <- lm(fungi ~ LUI_change, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model2_0, model2_2) #improvement in AIC, but by less than 2

##           df      AIC
## model2_0    2 250.0798
## model2_2    3 249.5323

```

In case of fungal PLFA, the land management variables are not included into the model.

1.1.3 Level 3: pH-change

The final model of Level 2 is now extended with the fixed effects of Level 3.

```

model3_0 <- lm(fungi ~ 1, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)

model3_1 <- lm(fungi ~ pH_change, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model3_0, model3_1) #no improvement in AIC

##           df      AIC
## model3_0    2 250.0798
## model3_1    3 252.0796

```

Including Δ pH does not improve the model.

1.1.4 Level 4: Plant functional traits

The final model of Level 3 is now extended with the fixed effects of Level 4.

```

model4_0 <- lm(fungi ~ 1, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)

# CWM mycorrhizal intensity
model4_1 <- lm(fungi ~ CWM_Myc_int_change, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model4_0, model4_1) #no improvement in AIC

##           df      AIC
## model4_0  2 250.0798
## model4_1  3 250.8916

model4_2 <- lm(fungi ~ CWM_Myc_int_historic, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model4_0, model4_2) #no improvement in AIC

##           df      AIC
## model4_0  2 250.0798
## model4_2  3 251.7976

# CWM SLA
model4_3 <- lm(fungi ~ CWM_SLA_change, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model4_0, model4_3) #no improvement in AIC

##           df      AIC
## model4_0  2 250.0798
## model4_3  3 250.6761

model4_4 <- lm(fungi ~ CWM_SLA_historic, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model4_0, model4_4) #improvement in AIC

##           df      AIC
## model4_0  2 250.0798
## model4_4  3 247.6170

anova(model4_0, model4_4) # is significant

## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Model 1: fungi ~ 1
## Model 2: fungi ~ CWM_SLA_historic
##   Res.Df    RSS Df Sum of Sq   F Pr(>F)
## 1      43 691.62
## 2      42 624.91  1    66.708 4.4834 0.04019 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

# CWM leaf P:
model4_5 <- lm(fungi ~ CWM_leafP_change, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model4_0, model4_5) #no improvement in AIC

##           df      AIC
## model4_0  2 250.0798
## model4_5  3 251.2146

model4_6 <- lm(fungi ~ CWM_leafP_historic, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model4_0, model4_6) #improvement in AIC, but by less than 2

##           df      AIC
## model4_0  2 250.0798
## model4_6  3 249.8026

# CWM leaf N:
model4_7 <- lm(fungi ~ CWM_leafN_change, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model4_0, model4_7) #improvement in AIC, but by less than 2

##           df      AIC
## model4_0  2 250.0798
## model4_7  3 248.2631

model4_8 <- lm(fungi ~ CWM_leafN_historic, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model4_0, model4_8) #no improvement in AIC

##           df      AIC
## model4_0  2 250.0798
## model4_8  3 251.1075

```

The final model at the end of Level 4 includes CWM_SLA_historic.

1.1.5 Level 5: Plant biomass properties

The final model of Level 4 is now extended with the fixed effects of Level 5.

```
model5_0 <- lm(fungi ~ CWM_SLA_historic, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)

model5_1 <- lm(fungi ~ CWM_SLA_historic + Plant_Biomass, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model5_0, model5_1) # no improvement in AIC

##          df      AIC
## model5_0  3 247.6170
## model5_1  4 249.6154

model5_2 <- lm(fungi ~ CWM_SLA_historic + Cellulose, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model5_0, model5_2) # no improvement in AIC

##          df      AIC
## model5_0  3 247.6170
## model5_2  4 249.0202

model5_3 <- lm(fungi ~ CWM_SLA_historic + Hemicellulosen, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model5_0, model5_3) # no improvement in AIC

##          df      AIC
## model5_0  3 247.617
## model5_3  4 249.615

model5_4 <- lm(fungi ~ CWM_SLA_historic + Lignin, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model5_0, model5_4) #no improvement in AIC

##          df      AIC
## model5_0  3 247.6170
## model5_4  4 249.1356

model5_5 <- lm(fungi ~ CWM_SLA_historic + Pfl_N, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model5_0, model5_5) #no improvement in AIC

##          df      AIC
## model5_0  3 247.617
## model5_5  4 249.357

model5_6 <- lm(fungi ~ CWM_SLA_historic + Pfl_P, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model5_0, model5_6) #no improvement in AIC

##          df      AIC
## model5_0  3 247.6170
## model5_6  4 249.6077

model5_7 <- lm(fungi ~ CWM_SLA_historic + Lignin_N_ratio, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
AIC(model5_0, model5_7) #no improvement in AIC

##          df      AIC
## model5_0  3 247.6170
## model5_7  4 249.1818
```

After Level 5, CWM_SLA_historic remains in the model.

1.1.6 Final model

Fungal PLFA is best described by the linear model:

```
lm(fungi~CWM_SLA_historic, data=ALB_reg, na.action=na.exclude).
```

```
model_final <- lm(fungi ~ CWM_SLA_historic, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)

sum_lm_model_final <- summary.lm(model_final)
sum_lm_model_final

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = fungi ~ CWM_SLA_historic, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
```

```

##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -8.9026 -2.0607 -0.3797  2.3532  9.4044
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)      16.1222      4.7957   3.362  0.00166 **
## CWM_SLA_historic -0.3950      0.1866  -2.117  0.04019 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 3.857 on 42 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.09645, Adjusted R-squared:  0.07494
## F-statistic: 4.483 on 1 and 42 DF,  p-value: 0.04019

fstat <- sum_lm_model_final$fstatistic
pval <- pf(fstat[1], fstat[2], fstat[3], lower.tail = FALSE)

aov_model <- summary.aov(model_final)
aov_model

##              Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
## CWM_SLA_historic  1   66.7    66.71   4.483 0.0402 *
## Residuals        42  624.9    14.88
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

# calculate the percent variance explained by each fixed effect:
SSY <- sum(aov_model[[1]][, 2])
SSY

## [1] 691.6184

SSR_1_percent <- (aov_model[[1]][, 2][1])/SSY * 100
SSR_1_percent

## [1] 9.645201

```

Calculating pseudo- r^2 and delta-AIC for the final model. Explained unique variance of dependent variables by independent variables and random effects is assessed following the approach of Nakagawa and Schielzeth (2013) using the function "sem.model.fits" of the "piecewiseSEM" package (Lefcheck, 2016). Thereby the marginal (independent variables) and conditional (random effects) pseudo- r^2 are calculated for the full final model and models reduced by the variables of significant levels, one for each level. By subtracting the reduced model from the full final model, the marginal r^2 of the respective level is calculated, i.e. the respective variance explained by the level. The same procedure is used to calculate the delta AIC of each level.

```

# create dataframes to store calculated values
pseudo_r_model_ALB <- data.frame(Variable = NA, Class = NA, Family = NA, Link = NA, n = NA, total_AIC = NA,
  total_Marginal = NA, total_Conditional = NA, d_AIC_L_1 = NA, Var_L_1 = NA, d_AIC_L_2 = NA, Var_L_2 = NA,
  d_AIC_L_3 = NA, Var_L_3 = NA, d_AIC_L_4 = NA, Var_L_4 = NA, d_AIC_L_5 = NA, Var_L_5 = NA, d_AIC_Int = NA,
  Var_Int = NA) # _Int = Interaction

models_ALB <- data.frame(Variable = NA, coef_intercept = NA, coef_fixed_1 = NA, coef_fixed_2 = NA, coef_fixed_3 = NA,
  coef_fixed_4 = NA, coef_random = NA)

# calculate full final model
model_final <- lm(fungi ~ CWM_SLA_historic, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)
# calculate model without fixed effects of level 4
model_final_2 <- lm(fungi ~ 1, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)

# extract model coefficients
model_call <- model_final$call
model_call

## lm(formula = fungi ~ CWM_SLA_historic, data = ALB_reg, na.action = na.exclude)

model_coef_intercept <- as.numeric(model_final$coefficients[[1]][1])
model_coef_fix_1 <- as.numeric(model_final$coefficients[[2]][1])
model_coef_fix_2 <- "NA"
model_coef_fix_3 <- "NA"
model_coef_fix_4 <- "NA"
model_coef_ran_1 <- "NA"

# write coefficients into respective data frame
models_ALB[1, c("Variable")] <- "fungi"

```

```

models_ALB[1, c("coef_intercept")] <- model_coef_intercept
models_ALB[1, c("coef_fixed_1")] <- model_coef_fix_1
models_ALB[1, c("coef_fixed_2")] <- model_coef_fix_2
models_ALB[1, c("coef_fixed_3")] <- model_coef_fix_3
models_ALB[1, c("coef_fixed_4")] <- model_coef_fix_4
models_ALB[1, c("coef_random")] <- model_coef_ran_1
# models_ALB

# calculate AIC for each of the models, AIC_0 = full model, AIC_4 = model without 4th level
AIC_0 <- AIC(model_final)
AIC_1 <- "NA"
AIC_2 <- "NA"
AIC_3 <- "NA"
AIC_4 <- AIC(model_final_2)
AIC_5 <- "NA"
AIC_Int <- "NA"

# calculate delta AIC between full model and model with the respective missing level
D_AIC_Level_1 <- "NA"
D_AIC_Level_2 <- "NA"
D_AIC_Level_3 <- "NA"
D_AIC_Level_4 <- AIC_0 - AIC_4
D_AIC_Level_5 <- "NA"
D_AIC_Int <- "NA"

# calculate marginal and conditional r-square for each of the models
fits_0 <- sem.model.fits(model_final)
fits_1 <- "NA"
fits_2 <- "NA"
fits_3 <- "NA"
fits_4 <- sem.model.fits(model_final_2)
fits_5 <- "NA"
fits_Int <- "NA"

# calculate delta r-square for each level, i.e. the r-square that can be attributed to the respective
# level
D_fits_Level_1 <- "NA"
D_fits_Level_2 <- "NA"
D_fits_Level_3 <- "NA"
D_fits_Level_4 <- fits_0[1, 5] - fits_4[1, 5]
D_fits_Level_5 <- "NA"
D_fits_Int <- "NA"

# write data into respective data frame
pseudo_r_model_ALB[1, c("Variable")] <- "fungi"

pseudo_r_model_ALB[1, c("Class", "Family", "Link", "n", "total_Marginal")] <- fits_0[1, c(1:5)]
pseudo_r_model_ALB[1, c("total_Conditional")] <- "NA"
pseudo_r_model_ALB[1, c("total_AIC")] <- AIC_0
pseudo_r_model_ALB[1, c("d_AIC_L_1")] <- D_AIC_Level_1
pseudo_r_model_ALB[1, c("Var_L_1")] <- D_fits_Level_1
pseudo_r_model_ALB[1, c("d_AIC_L_2")] <- D_AIC_Level_2
pseudo_r_model_ALB[1, c("Var_L_2")] <- D_fits_Level_2
pseudo_r_model_ALB[1, c("d_AIC_L_3")] <- D_AIC_Level_3
pseudo_r_model_ALB[1, c("Var_L_3")] <- D_fits_Level_3
pseudo_r_model_ALB[1, c("d_AIC_L_4")] <- D_AIC_Level_4
pseudo_r_model_ALB[1, c("Var_L_4")] <- D_fits_Level_4
pseudo_r_model_ALB[1, c("d_AIC_L_5")] <- D_AIC_Level_5
pseudo_r_model_ALB[1, c("Var_L_5")] <- D_fits_Level_5
pseudo_r_model_ALB[1, c("d_AIC_Int")] <- D_AIC_Int
pseudo_r_model_ALB[1, c("Var_Int")] <- D_fits_Int
# pseudo_r_model_ALB

```

Check for normal distribution and homoscedasticity of variance of model residuals.

```

# plot(model_final, cex=0.7, cex.lab=0.8, cex.axis=0.7)

# model_residuals <- residuals(model_final) #stores residuals hist(model_residuals, cex=0.8, cex.lab=0.8,
# cex.axis=0.8, main='') # plots a histogram legend('topleft', 'a)', bty='n', cex=1.5)

# qqnorm(model_final$residuals, cex=0.8, cex.lab=0.8, cex.axis=0.8, main='') legend('topleft', 'b)',
# bty='n', cex=1.5)

```

The residuals of the full model are reasonably well distributed.

The net change in fungal PLFA is best explained by the linear model `lm(fungi~CWM_SLA_historic, data=ALB_reg, na.action=na.exclude)`.

Model details: residual standard error = 3.857 on 42 degrees of freedom, multiple $r^2 = 0.1$, adjusted $r^2 = 0.07$, F-statistics: 4.48 on 1 and 42, overall model significance: $p = 0.04$; percent explained variation for CWM_SLA_historic: 9.65 %.

Table 2: Parameter estimates of the full model on fungal PLFAs.

| | Estimate | Std. Error | t value | Pr(> t) |
|------------------|----------|------------|---------|----------|
| (Intercept) | 16.1222 | 4.7957 | 3.36 | 0.0017 |
| CWM_SLA_historic | -0.3950 | 0.1866 | -2.12 | 0.0402 |

Table 3: ANOVA table of the full model on fungal PLFAs.

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|------------------|----|--------|---------|---------|--------|
| CWM_SLA_historic | 1 | 66.71 | 66.71 | 4.48 | 0.0402 |
| Residuals | 42 | 624.91 | 14.88 | | |

Table 4: Table of model coefficients.

| Variable | coef_intercept | coef_fixed_1 | coef_fixed_2 | coef_fixed_3 | coef_fixed_4 | coef_random |
|----------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| 1 fungi | 16.12 | -0.40 | NA | NA | NA | NA |

Table 5: Table of pseudo r^2 values. d = delta, AIC = Akaike's information criterion, L = level in hierarchical regression, Var = explained variance, Int = Interaction

| Variable | Class | Family | Link | n | total_AIC | total_Marginal | total_Conditional | d_AIC_L1 | Var_L1 | |
|----------|----------|--------|----------|--------|-------------|----------------|-------------------|----------|-----------|---------|
| fungi | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 247.617013 | 0.09645201 | NA | NA | NA | |
| Variable | d_AIC_L2 | Var_L2 | d_AIC_L3 | Var_L3 | d_AIC_L4 | Var_L4 | d_AIC_L5 | Var_L5 | d_AIC_Int | Var_Int |
| fungi | NA | NA | NA | NA | -2.46274618 | 0.09645201 | NA | NA | NA | NA |

The change in fungal PLFA between 2011 and 2014 depends on the historic CWM SLA.

2 Structural equation modelling

The data evaluation using structural equation models (SEMs) builds upon the results of the regression analyses. Based on the regression results, plant functional traits, plant biomass properties and pH played the major role in influencing soil microbiology. We now test, whether there are indirect effects of land-use intensity on soil microbial properties via other environmental properties. As random effects were kept only in 9 out of 42 microbial variables in total and never in more than half per exploratory, random effects are not included in SEMs. Figure 1 of the manuscript shows the proposed SEMs with respective variables.

```
regression_data_all <- read.table(file = "regression_data_all_2017-11_R.txt", header = T)
ALB_reg <- regression_data_all[regression_data_all$Exploratory == "ALB", ]
```

Scale response/endogenous variables to yield similar data ranges for SEMs between [0;1].

```
ranging=function(x){
  (x-min(x,na.rm=T))/(max(x,na.rm=T)-min(x,na.rm=T))
}
```

```
ALB_reg_scaled <- ALB_reg[, -59] #exclude soil type from data file

x <- 5
for (i in 6:59) {
  ALB_reg_scaled[, x + 1] <- ranging(ALB_reg_scaled[, i])
  x <- x + 1
}
```

2.1 SEM for fungi

First, we check the bivariate correlations of the variables that will be modelled using the function `pairs` and spearman rank correlation coefficients. The first output block shows the correlation coefficients r , the second the respective p -values.

```
##          fungi LUI_change LUI_historic CWM_Myc_int_change CWM_Myc_int_historic
## fungi          1.00      -0.34      -0.18          0.09          -0.06
## LUI_change     -0.34          1.00      -0.13          0.28          0.04
## LUI_historic   -0.18      -0.13          1.00      -0.13          0.32
## CWM_Myc_int_change 0.09          0.28      -0.13          1.00          -0.35
## CWM_Myc_int_historic -0.06          0.04          0.32      -0.35          1.00
## CWM_leafP_historic -0.28          0.11          0.71      -0.12          0.38
## CWM_leafP_change  -0.10      -0.02          0.21      -0.04          0.01
## Plant_Biomass    0.04      -0.10          0.10      -0.02          -0.19
## Cellulose        -0.08      -0.12          0.27          0.01          -0.16
## Lignin           -0.12          0.11          0.07          0.01          -0.01
##
##          CWM_leafP_historic CWM_leafP_change Plant_Biomass Cellulose Lignin
## fungi          -0.28      -0.10          0.04      -0.08      -0.12
## LUI_change      0.11      -0.02          -0.10      -0.12      0.11
## LUI_historic    0.71          0.21          0.10          0.27      0.07
## CWM_Myc_int_change -0.12      -0.04          -0.02          0.01      0.01
## CWM_Myc_int_historic 0.38          0.01          -0.19      -0.16      -0.01
## CWM_leafP_historic 1.00          0.06          0.13          0.21      0.11
## CWM_leafP_change  0.06          1.00          0.07          0.10      0.14
## Plant_Biomass    0.13          0.07          1.00          0.58      -0.23
## Cellulose        0.21          0.10          0.58          1.00      -0.09
## Lignin           0.11          0.14          -0.23      -0.09      1.00
##
## n
##          fungi LUI_change LUI_historic CWM_Myc_int_change CWM_Myc_int_historic
## fungi          50          50          50          48          50
## LUI_change      50          50          50          48          50
## LUI_historic    50          50          50          48          50
## CWM_Myc_int_change 48          48          48          48          48
## CWM_Myc_int_historic 50          50          50          48          50
## CWM_leafP_historic 50          50          50          48          50
## CWM_leafP_change 48          48          48          48          48
## Plant_Biomass    50          50          50          48          50
## Cellulose        48          48          48          46          48
## Lignin           48          48          48          46          48
```



```

##          CWM_leafP_historic CWM_leafP_change Plant_Biomass Cellulose Lignin
## fungi          50          48          50          48          48
## LUI_change     50          48          50          48          48
## LUI_historic   50          48          50          48          48
## CWM_Myc_int_change 48          48          48          46          46
## CWM_Myc_int_historic 50          48          50          48          48
## CWM_leafP_historic 50          48          50          48          48
## CWM_leafP_change 48          48          48          46          46
## Plant_Biomass  50          48          50          48          48
## Cellulose      48          46          48          48          48
## Lignin         48          46          48          48          48
##
## P
##          fungi LUI_change LUI_historic CWM_Myc_int_change CWM_Myc_int_historic
## fungi          0.0145  0.2099  0.5396  0.5396  0.6927
## LUI_change     0.0145  0.3643  0.0557  0.0557  0.7639
## LUI_historic   0.2099  0.3643  0.3829  0.3829  0.0250
## CWM_Myc_int_change 0.5396  0.0557  0.3829  0.3829  0.0146
## CWM_Myc_int_historic 0.6927  0.7639  0.0250  0.0146  0.0146
## CWM_leafP_historic 0.0511  0.4588  0.0000  0.4138  0.0063
## CWM_leafP_change 0.5046  0.8876  0.1535  0.8073  0.9422
## Plant_Biomass  0.7852  0.4764  0.4793  0.8899  0.1822
## Cellulose      0.5687  0.4172  0.0616  0.9329  0.2914
## Lignin         0.4004  0.4722  0.6269  0.9497  0.9451
##          CWM_leafP_historic CWM_leafP_change Plant_Biomass Cellulose Lignin
## fungi          0.0511  0.5046  0.7852  0.5687  0.4004
## LUI_change     0.4588  0.8876  0.4764  0.4172  0.4722
## LUI_historic   0.0000  0.1535  0.4793  0.0616  0.6269
## CWM_Myc_int_change 0.4138  0.8073  0.8899  0.9329  0.9497
## CWM_Myc_int_historic 0.0063  0.9422  0.1822  0.2914  0.9451
## CWM_leafP_historic 0.0511  0.6885  0.3751  0.1474  0.4427
## CWM_leafP_change 0.6885  0.6243  0.6243  0.4919  0.3409
## Plant_Biomass  0.3751  0.6243  0.0000  0.0000  0.1172
## Cellulose      0.1474  0.4919  0.0000  0.0000  0.5401
## Lignin         0.4427  0.3409  0.1172  0.5401  0.5401

```

None of the variables are highly correlated and therefore provide unique pieces of information. Create separate linear models fitted with `lm` contained in one list called "mymodels". So that we can call for all the models in one.

```

fungi_ALB_models=list(
  model1=lm(LUI_change ~ LUI_historic, data=ALB_reg),
  model2=lm(CWM_leafP_historic ~ LUI_historic, data=ALB_reg),
  model3=lm(CWM_leafP_change ~ LUI_change, data=ALB_reg),
  model4=lm(fungi ~ CWM_leafP_historic, data=ALB_reg),
  model5=lm(fungi ~ CWM_leafP_change, data=ALB_reg),
  model6=lm(fungi ~ LUI_historic, data=ALB_reg),
  model7=lm(fungi ~ LUI_change, data=ALB_reg)
)

```

Show the coefficients of all models at ones using `lapply`.

```

lapply(fungi_ALB_models, coef) #extract intercepts and slopes

## $model1
## (Intercept) LUI_historic
## 0.1648718 -0.1027096
##
## $model2
## (Intercept) LUI_historic
## 1.6025010 0.5503945
##
## $model3
## (Intercept) LUI_change
## -0.01117264 0.04941849
##
## $model4
## (Intercept) CWM_leafP_historic
## 10.703350 -1.914697
##
## $model5
## (Intercept) CWM_leafP_change
## 5.902697 -2.293037
##
## $model6
## (Intercept) LUI_historic
## 6.7081902 -0.4804373
##

```

```
## $model7
## (Intercept) LUI_change
## 5.929117 -2.162285
```

2.1.1 First SEM

First SEM:
We only provide the output of the best fitted model here.

SEM with lavaan; first create a text object with the connection:

```
SEM_fungi_ALB <- "
#direct effects
CWM_leafP_historic ~ a*LUI_historic
CWM_leafP_change ~ b*LUI_change
fungi ~ c*CWM_leafP_historic
fungi ~ d*CWM_leafP_change
fungi ~ e*LUI_historic
fungi ~ f*LUI_change

#correlation LUIs
LUI_historic ~~ g*LUI_change

#indirect effects on MO-variable (compound paths)
LUI_hist_in := a * c
LUI_change_in := b * d

#total effects on MO-variable
LUI_hist_te := e + (a*c)
LUI_change_te := f + (b*d)

#total correlations on MO-variable
LUI_hist_tc := e + (a*c) + (g*f) + (g*b*d)
LUI_change_tc := f + (b*d) + (g*e) + (g*a*c)
"

## CWM_leafP_historic ~~ CWM_leafP_change ##taken out, as path is not significant and increases AIC model
## improvement with separated paths via CWM_leafP_historic and CWM_leafP_change -> model fit assessable

# SEM_fungi_ALB output:

# [1] '\n#direct effects\nCWM_leafP_historic ~ a*LUI_historic\nCWM_leafP_change ~ b*LUI_change\nfungi
# ~ c*CWM_leafP_historic\nfungi ~ d*CWM_leafP_change\nfungi ~ e*LUI_historic\nfungi ~
# f*LUI_change\n\n#correlation LUIs\nLUI_historic ~~ g*LUI_change\n\n#indirect effects on MO-variable
# (compound paths)\nLUI_hist_in := a * c\nLUI_change_in := b * d\n\n#total effects on
# MO-variable\nLUI_hist_te := e + (a*c)\nLUI_change_te := f + (b*d)\n\n#total correlations on
# MO-variable\nLUI_hist_tc := e + (a*c) + (g*f) + (g*b*d)\nLUI_change_tc := f + (b*d) + (g*e) +
# (g*a*c)\n'
```

SEM output:

```
sem.model1 <- sem(SEM_fungi_ALB, data = ALB_reg_scaled)
summary(sem.model1, fit.measures = T, rsq = T)

## lavaan 0.6-3 ended normally after 41 iterations
##
## Optimization method NLMINB
## Number of free parameters 12
##
## Used Total
## Number of observations 48 50
##
## Estimator ML
## Model Fit Test Statistic 6.308
## Degrees of freedom 3
## P-value (Chi-square) 0.098
##
## Model test baseline model:
##
## Minimum Function Test Statistic 49.824
## Degrees of freedom 10
## P-value 0.000
##
## User model versus baseline model:
##
## Comparative Fit Index (CFI) 0.917
## Tucker-Lewis Index (TLI) 0.723
```

```

##
## Loglikelihood and Information Criteria:
##
## Loglikelihood user model (H0)                25.776
## Loglikelihood unrestricted model (H1)        28.930
##
## Number of free parameters                    12
## Akaike (AIC)                                -27.552
## Bayesian (BIC)                              -5.098
## Sample-size adjusted Bayesian (BIC)         -42.744
##
## Root Mean Square Error of Approximation:
##
## RMSEA                                        0.152
## 90 Percent Confidence Interval              0.000 0.319
## P-value RMSEA <= 0.05                      0.131
##
## Standardized Root Mean Square Residual:
##
## SRMR                                        0.070
##
## Parameter Estimates:
##
## Information                                Expected
## Information saturated (h1) model           Structured
## Standard Errors                            Standard
##
## Regressions:
##           Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
## CWM_leafP_historic ~
##   LUI_histrc (a)      1.038   0.144   7.225   0.000
## CWM_leafP_change ~
##   LUI_change (b)      0.034   0.060   0.568   0.570
## fungi ~
##   CWM_lfP_hs (c)     -0.261   0.152  -1.716   0.086
##   CWM_lfP_ch (d)     -0.176   0.160  -1.101   0.271
##   LUI_histrc (e)      0.180   0.219   0.822   0.411
##   LUI_change (f)     -0.095   0.067  -1.412   0.158
##
## Covariances:
##           Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
## LUI_historic ~~
##   LUI_change (g)    -0.009   0.011  -0.795   0.426
##
## Variances:
##           Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
## .CWM_lefP_hstrc    0.034   0.007   4.899   0.000
## .CWM_leafP_chng    0.031   0.006   4.899   0.000
## .fungi              0.038   0.008   4.899   0.000
## LUI_historic        0.034   0.007   4.899   0.000
## LUI_change          0.177   0.036   4.899   0.000
##
## R-Square:
##           Estimate
## CWM_lefP_hstrc    0.521
## CWM_leafP_chng    0.007
## fungi             0.121
##
## Defined Parameters:
##           Estimate Std.Err z-value P(>|z|)
## LUI_hist_in      -0.271   0.162  -1.670   0.095
## LUI_change_in    -0.006   0.012  -0.505   0.614
## LUI_hist_te      -0.090   0.157  -0.576   0.564
## LUI_change_te    -0.101   0.068  -1.488   0.137
## LUI_hist_tc      -0.090   0.157  -0.571   0.568
## LUI_change_tc    -0.100   0.068  -1.479   0.139

```

Tables for summarized model results:

```

SEM_estimates_table_fungi <- data.frame(Exploratory = NA, resp_variable = NA, mediator = NA, lhs = NA, op = NA,
  rhs = NA, label = NA, est = NA, se = NA, z = NA, pvalue = NA, est.std = NA, se.std = NA, z.std = NA, pvalue.std = NA)

SEM_estimates_table_fungi[1:18, 1] <- "ALB"
SEM_estimates_table_fungi[1:18, 2] <- "fungi"
SEM_estimates_table_fungi[1:18, 3] <- "CWM_leaf_P"
SEM_estimates_table_fungi[1:18, 4:11] <- parameterEstimates(sem.model1)[, 1:8]
SEM_estimates_table_fungi[1:18, 12:15] <- standardizedSolution(sem.model1)[, 4:7]

SEM_estimates_table_fungi[, 8:15] <- round(SEM_estimates_table_fungi[, 8:15], 3)

```

```
SEM_model_fit_table_fungi <- data.frame(Exploratory = NA, resp_variable = NA, mediator = NA, ntotal = NA,
  npar = NA, chisq = NA, df = NA, pvalue = NA, rmsea = NA, rmsea.pvalue = NA, srmr = NA, baseline.chisq = NA,
  baseline.df = NA, aic = NA, O2E = NA) #O2E = observations/estimated Parameters

SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[1, 1] <- "ALB"
SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[1, 2] <- "fungi"
SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[1, 3] <- "CWM_leaf_P"
SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[1, 4:14] <- fitMeasures(sem.model1, c("ntotal", "npar", "chisq", "df", "pvalue",
  "rmsea", "rmsea.pvalue", "srmr", "baseline.chisq", "baseline.df", "aic"))

SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[1, 15] <- SEM_model_fit_table_fungi$ntotal/SEM_model_fit_table_fungi$npar

SEM_rsquare_table_fungi <- data.frame(Exploratory = NA, resp_variable = NA, mediator = NA, rsq_m_hist = NA,
  rsq_m_chg = NA, rsq_MO = NA) #rsq_m_hist, rsq_m_chg and rsq_MO need to be taken out of model output by hand
SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[1, 1] <- "ALB"
SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[1, 2] <- "fungi"
SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[1, 3] <- "CWM_leaf_P"
SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[1, 4] <- 0.521
SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[1, 5] <- 0.007
SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[1, 6] <- 0.121
```

2.1.2 Second SEM

Second model - the mediator is the plant functional trait variable that had the second strongest influence on the response variable in regression analysis.

```
# SEM_fungi_ALB= #direct effects CWM_Myc_int_historic ~ a*LUI_historic CWM_Myc_int_change ~ b*LUI_change
# fungi ~ c*CWM_Myc_int_historic fungi ~ d*CWM_Myc_int_change fungi ~ e*LUI_historic fungi ~ f*LUI_change
# #correlation LUIs LUI_historic ~ g*LUI_change #indirect effects on MO-variable (compound paths)
# LUI_hist_in := a * c LUI_change_in := b * d #total effects on MO-variable LUI_hist_te := e + (a*c)
# LUI_change_te := f + (b*d) #total correlations on MO-variable LUI_hist_tc := e + (a*c) + (g*f) + (g*b*d)
# LUI_change_tc := f + (b*d) + (g*e) + (g*a*c) ' CWM_Myc_int_historic ~ CWM_Myc_int_change ##taken out,
# as path is not significant and increases AIC model improvement with separated paths via
# CWM_Myc_int_historic and CWM_Myc_int_change -> model fit assessable SEM_fungi_ALB
```

SEM output:

```
# sem.model<-sem(SEM_fungi_ALB, data = ALB_reg_scaled) summary(sem.model, fit.measures=T, rsq=T)
```

Extract values from model and summarize them in tables:

```
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[19:36,1]<-'ALB' SEM_estimates_table_fungi[19:36,2]<-'fungi'
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[19:36,3]<-'CWM_Myc_int'
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[19:36,4:11]<-parameterEstimates(sem.model)[,1:8]
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[19:36,12:15]<-standardizedSolution(sem.model)[,4:7]
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[, 8:15]<-round(SEM_estimates_table_fungi[,8:15],3)
# SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[2,1]<-'ALB' SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[2,2]<-'fungi'
# SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[2,3]<-'CWM_Myc_int' SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[2,4:14 ]<-fitMeasures(sem.model,
# c('ntotal', 'npar', 'chisq', 'df', 'pvalue', 'rmsea', 'rmsea.pvalue', 'srmr', 'baseline.chisq',
# 'baseline.df', 'aic')) SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[2,15 ]<-SEM_model_fit_table_fungi$ntotal[2] /
# SEM_model_fit_table_fungi$npar[2] SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[2,1]<-'ALB'
# SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[2,2]<-'fungi' SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[2,3]<-'CWM_Myc_int'
# SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[2,4]<0.083 SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[2,5]<0.090
# SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[2,6]<0.143
```

2.1.3 Third SEM

Third model - the mediator is the plant biomass variable that had the strongest influence on the response variable in regression analysis. As plant biomass and plant biomass cellulose content are strongly correlated, Plant Biomass was chosen as it is the variable with the stronger input on various microbial variables in hierarchical regression modelling.

```
# SEM_fungi_ALB= #direct effects Plant_Biomass ~ a*LUI_historic Plant_Biomass ~ b*LUI_change fungi ~
# c*Plant_Biomass #fungi ~ d*Plant_Biomass fungi ~ e*LUI_historic fungi ~ f*LUI_change #correlation LUIs
# LUI_historic ~ g*LUI_change #indirect effects on MO-variable (compound paths) LUI_hist_in := a * c
# LUI_change_in := b * c #total effects on MO-variable LUI_hist_te := e + (a*c) LUI_change_te := f + (b*c)
# #total correlations on MO-variable LUI_hist_tc := e + (a*c) + (g*f) + (g*b*c) LUI_change_tc := f + (b*c)
# + (g*e) + (g*a*c) '

# SEM_fungi_ALB
```

SEM output:

```
# sem.model<-sem(SEM_fungi_ALB, data = ALB_reg_scaled) summary(sem.model, fit.measures=T, rsq=T)
```

Extract values from model and summarize them in tables:

```
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[37:52,1]<-'ALB' SEM_estimates_table_fungi[37:52,2]<-'fungi'  
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[37:52,3]<-'Plant_Biomass'  
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[37:52,4:11]<-parameterEstimates(sem.model)[,1:8]  
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[37:52,12:15]<-standardizedSolution(sem.model)[,4:7]  
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[,8:15]<-round(SEM_estimates_table_fungi[,8:15],3)  
# SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[3,1]<-'ALB' SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[3,2]<-'fungi'  
# SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[3,3]<-'Plant_Biomass' SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[3,4:14  
# ]<-fitMeasures(sem.model, c('ntotal', 'npar', 'chisq', 'df', 'pvalue', 'rmsea', 'rmsea.pvalue', 'srmr',  
# 'baseline.chisq', 'baseline.df', 'aic')) SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[3,15  
# ]<-SEM_model_fit_table_fungi$ntotal[3] / SEM_model_fit_table_fungi$npar[3]  
# SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[3,1]<-'ALB' SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[3,2]<-'fungi'  
# SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[3,3]<-'Plant_Biomass' SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[3,4]<-NA  
# SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[3,5]<-0.031 SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[3,6]<-0.077
```

2.1.4 Fourth SEM

Fourth model - the mediator is the plant biomass variable that had the second strongest influence on the response variable in regression analysis after plant biomass and its cellulose content, i.e. plant biomass lignin content.

```
# SEM_fungi_ALB=' #direct effects Lignin ~ a*LUI_historic Lignin ~ b*LUI_change fungi ~ c*Lignin #fungi ~  
# d*Lignin fungi ~ e*LUI_historic fungi ~ f*LUI_change #correlation LUIs LUI_historic ~~ g*LUI_change  
# #indirect effects on MO-variable (compound paths) LUI_hist_in := a * c LUI_change_in := b * c #total  
# effects on MO-variable LUI_hist_tc := e + (a*c) LUI_change_tc := f + (b*c) #total correlations on  
# MO-variable LUI_hist_tc := e + (a*c) + (g*f) + (g*b*c) LUI_change_tc := f + (b*c) + (g*e) + (g*a*c) '  
  
# SEM_fungi_ALB
```

SEM output:

```
# sem.model<-sem(SEM_fungi_ALB, data = ALB_reg_scaled) summary(sem.model, fit.measures=T, rsq=T)
```

Extract values from model and summarize them in tables:

```
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[53:68,1]<-'ALB' SEM_estimates_table_fungi[53:68,2]<-'fungi'  
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[53:68,3]<-'Lignin'  
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[53:68,4:11]<-parameterEstimates(sem.model)[,1:8]  
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[53:68,12:15]<-standardizedSolution(sem.model)[,4:7]  
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[,8:15]<-round(SEM_estimates_table_fungi[,8:15],3)  
# SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[4,1]<-'ALB' SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[4,2]<-'fungi'  
# SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[4,3]<-'Lignin' SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[4,4:14 ]<-fitMeasures(sem.model,  
# c('ntotal', 'npar', 'chisq', 'df', 'pvalue', 'rmsea', 'rmsea.pvalue', 'srmr', 'baseline.chisq',  
# 'baseline.df', 'aic')) SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[4,15 ]<-SEM_model_fit_table_fungi$ntotal[4] /  
# SEM_model_fit_table_fungi$npar[4] SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[4,1]<-'ALB'  
# SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[4,2]<-'fungi' SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[4,3]<-'Lignin'  
# SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[4,4]<-NA SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[4,5]<-0.006 SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[4,6]<-0.086
```

2.1.5 Fifth SEM

Fifth model - the mediator soil pH.

```
# SEM_fungi_ALB=' #direct effects pH_historic ~ a*LUI_historic pH_change ~ b*LUI_change fungi ~  
# c*pH_historic fungi ~ d*pH_change fungi ~ e*LUI_historic fungi ~ f*LUI_change #correlation LUIs  
# LUI_historic ~~ g*LUI_change #indirect effects on MO-variable (compound paths) LUI_hist_in := a * c  
# LUI_change_in := b * d #total effects on MO-variable LUI_hist_tc := e + (a*c) LUI_change_tc := f + (b*d)  
# #total correlations on MO-variable LUI_hist_tc := e + (a*c) + (g*f) + (g*b*d) LUI_change_tc := f + (b*d)  
# + (g*e) + (g*a*c) ' pH_historic ~~ pH_change ##taken out, as path is not significant and increases AIC  
# model improvement with separated paths via pH_historic and pH_change -> model fit assessable  
# SEM_fungi_ALB
```

SEM output:

```
# sem.model<-sem(SEM_fungi_ALB, data = ALB_reg_scaled) summary(sem.model, fit.measures=T, rsq=T)
```

Extract values from model and summarize them in tables:

```
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[69:86,1]<-'ALB' SEM_estimates_table_fungi[69:86,2]<-'fungi'  
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[69:86,3]<-'pH'  
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[69:86,4:11]<-parameterEstimates(sem.model)[,1:8]  
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[69:86,12:15]<-standardizedSolution(sem.model)[,4:7]  
# SEM_estimates_table_fungi[,8:15]<-round(SEM_estimates_table_fungi[,8:15],3)  
# SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[5,1]<-'ALB' SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[5,2]<-'fungi'  
# SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[5,3]<-'pH' SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[5,4:14 ]<-fitMeasures(sem.model,  
# c('ntotal', 'npar', 'chisq', 'df', 'pvalue', 'rmsea', 'rmsea.pvalue', 'srmr', 'baseline.chisq',  
# 'baseline.df', 'aic')) SEM_model_fit_table_fungi[5,15 ]<-SEM_model_fit_table_fungi$ntotal[5] /  
# SEM_model_fit_table_fungi$npar[5] SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[5,1]<-'ALB'  
# SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[5,2]<-'fungi' SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[5,3]<-'pH'  
# SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[5,4]<-0.009 SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[5,5]<-0.000  
# SEM_rsquare_table_fungi[5,6]<-0.070 write.csv(SEM_estimates_table_fungi,  
# 'SEM_estimates_table_fungi_ALB.csv') write.csv(SEM_model_fit_table_fungi,  
# 'SEM_model_fit_table_fungi_ALB.csv') write.csv(SEM_rsquare_table_fungi,  
# 'SEM_rsquare_table_fungi_ALB.csv')
```

2.1.6 SEM results

The following tables summarize the results of the SEM for fungal PLFAs of all five SEMs. According to the best model fit to the data, the model with the CWM of the plant functional trait leaf P was selected as final SEM for fungal PLFA in the Schwäbische Alb.

Table 6: SEM estimates for fungal PLFA of all models. Given are the unstandardized regression coefficients (est) with their standard error (se), z-value (z) and respective p-value (pvalue), as well as the standardized correlation coefficients (est.std) with their standard error (se.std), z-value (z.std) and p-value (pvalue.std) for each microbial variable (MO variable) and the five selected mediator variables. The single model paths are described by lhs = left hand side, op = operator, rhs = right hand side and if applicable the respective label of the path.

| | Exploratory | resp_variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | pvalue | est.std | se.std | z.std | pvalue.std |
|----|-------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|----|-----------------------|--------------|-------|------|-------|--------|---------|--------|-------|------------|
| 1 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leafP | CWM_leafP_historic | - | LULhistoric | a | 1.04 | 0.14 | 7.22 | 0.00 | 0.72 | 0.07 | 10.44 | 0.00 |
| 2 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leafP | CWM_leafP_change | - | LULchange | b | 0.03 | 0.06 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.57 | 0.57 |
| 3 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leafP | fungi | - | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.26 | 0.15 | -1.72 | 0.09 | -0.34 | 0.19 | -1.76 | 0.08 |
| 4 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leafP | fungi | - | CWM_leafP_change | d | -0.18 | 0.16 | -1.10 | 0.27 | -0.15 | 0.13 | -1.11 | 0.27 |
| 5 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leafP | fungi | - | LULhistoric | e | 0.18 | 0.22 | 0.82 | 0.41 | 0.16 | 0.20 | 0.83 | 0.41 |
| 6 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leafP | fungi | - | LULchange | f | -0.10 | 0.07 | -1.41 | 0.16 | -0.19 | 0.13 | -1.44 | 0.15 |
| 7 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leafP | LULhistoric | -- | LULchange | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.43 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.42 |
| 8 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leafP | CWM_leafP_historic | -- | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.00 | 0.48 | 0.10 | 4.80 | 0.00 |
| 9 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leafP | CWM_leafP_change | -- | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.00 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 42.42 | 0.00 |
| 10 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leafP | fungi | -- | fungi | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.00 | 0.88 | 0.09 | 10.11 | 0.00 |
| 11 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leafP | LULhistoric | -- | LULhistoric | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | | |
| 12 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leafP | LULchange | -- | LULchange | | 0.18 | 0.04 | 4.90 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | | |
| 13 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leafP | LULhist.in | := | a*c | LULhist.in | -0.27 | 0.16 | -1.67 | 0.10 | -0.24 | 0.14 | -1.71 | 0.09 |
| 14 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leafP | LULchange.in | := | b*d | LULchange.in | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.50 | 0.61 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.51 | 0.61 |
| 15 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leafP | LULhist.te | := | e+(a*c) | LULhist.te | -0.09 | 0.16 | -0.58 | 0.56 | -0.08 | 0.14 | -0.58 | 0.56 |
| 16 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leafP | LULchange.te | := | f+(b*d) | LULchange.te | -0.10 | 0.07 | -1.49 | 0.14 | -0.20 | 0.14 | -1.52 | 0.13 |
| 17 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leafP | LULhist.tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LULhist.tc | -0.09 | 0.16 | -0.57 | 0.57 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.40 | 0.69 |
| 18 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leafP | LULchange.tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LULchange.tc | -0.10 | 0.07 | -1.48 | 0.14 | -0.20 | 0.14 | -1.45 | 0.15 |
| 19 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc.int | CWM_Myc.int_historic | - | LULhistoric | a | 0.38 | 0.18 | 2.08 | 0.04 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.18 | 0.03 |
| 20 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc.int | CWM_Myc.int_change | - | LULchange | b | 0.13 | 0.06 | 2.18 | 0.03 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.29 | 0.02 |
| 21 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc.int | fungi | - | CWM_Myc.int_historic | c | 0.05 | 0.12 | 0.38 | 0.71 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.38 | 0.71 |
| 22 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc.int | fungi | - | CWM_Myc.int_change | d | 0.31 | 0.17 | 1.88 | 0.06 | 0.26 | 0.14 | 1.93 | 0.05 |
| 23 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc.int | fungi | - | LULhistoric | e | -0.12 | 0.16 | -0.78 | 0.43 | -0.11 | 0.14 | -0.79 | 0.43 |
| 24 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc.int | fungi | - | LULchange | f | -0.18 | 0.07 | -2.50 | 0.01 | -0.35 | 0.13 | -2.63 | 0.01 |
| 25 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc.int | LULhistoric | -- | LULchange | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.43 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.42 |
| 26 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc.int | CWM_Myc.int_historic | -- | CWM_Myc.int_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.00 | 0.92 | 0.08 | 12.02 | 0.00 |
| 27 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc.int | CWM_Myc.int_change | -- | CWM_Myc.int_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.00 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.52 | 0.00 |
| 28 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc.int | fungi | -- | fungi | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.00 | 0.86 | 0.09 | 9.19 | 0.00 |
| 29 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc.int | LULhistoric | -- | LULhistoric | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | | |
| 30 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc.int | LULchange | -- | LULchange | | 0.18 | 0.04 | 4.90 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | | |
| 31 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc.int | LULhist.in | := | a*c | LULhist.in | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.37 | 0.71 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.37 | 0.71 |
| 32 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc.int | LULchange.in | := | b*d | LULchange.in | 0.04 | 0.03 | 1.42 | 0.15 | 0.08 | 0.06 | 1.44 | 0.15 |
| 33 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc.int | LULhist.te | := | e+(a*c) | LULhist.te | -0.11 | 0.15 | -0.70 | 0.48 | -0.10 | 0.13 | -0.71 | 0.48 |
| 34 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc.int | LULchange.te | := | f+(b*d) | LULchange.te | -0.14 | 0.07 | -1.96 | 0.05 | -0.27 | 0.13 | -2.03 | 0.04 |
| 35 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc.int | LULhist.tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LULhist.tc | -0.11 | 0.15 | -0.70 | 0.49 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.46 | 0.65 |
| 36 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc.int | LULchange.tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LULchange.tc | -0.14 | 0.07 | -1.95 | 0.05 | -0.26 | 0.13 | -1.95 | 0.05 |
| 37 | ALB | fungi | Plant_Biomass | Plant_Biomass | - | LULhistoric | a | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.17 | 0.24 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.18 | 0.24 |
| 38 | ALB | fungi | Plant_Biomass | Plant_Biomass | - | LULchange | b | -0.02 | 0.07 | -0.29 | 0.77 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.29 | 0.77 |
| 39 | ALB | fungi | Plant_Biomass | fungi | - | Plant_Biomass | c | -0.04 | 0.13 | -0.31 | 0.76 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.31 | 0.76 |
| 40 | ALB | fungi | Plant_Biomass | fungi | - | LULhistoric | e | -0.12 | 0.16 | -0.80 | 0.42 | -0.11 | 0.14 | -0.80 | 0.42 |
| 41 | ALB | fungi | Plant_Biomass | fungi | - | LULchange | f | -0.13 | 0.06 | -1.94 | 0.05 | -0.27 | 0.13 | -2.01 | 0.04 |
| 42 | ALB | fungi | Plant_Biomass | LULhistoric | -- | LULchange | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.30 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.06 | 0.29 |
| 43 | ALB | fungi | Plant_Biomass | Plant_Biomass | -- | Plant_Biomass | <U+0097> | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.00 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 20.22 | 0.00 |
| 44 | ALB | fungi | Plant_Biomass | fungi | -- | fungi | <U+0097> | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.00 | 0.92 | 0.07 | 12.76 | 0.00 |
| 45 | ALB | fungi | Plant_Biomass | LULhistoric | -- | LULhistoric | <U+0097> | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | | |
| 46 | ALB | fungi | Plant_Biomass | LULchange | -- | LULchange | <U+0097> | 0.19 | 0.04 | 5.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | | |
| 47 | ALB | fungi | Plant_Biomass | LULhist.in | := | a*c | LULhist.in | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.30 | 0.77 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.30 | 0.77 |
| 48 | ALB | fungi | Plant_Biomass | LULchange.in | := | b*c | LULchange.in | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.21 | 0.83 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.21 | 0.83 |
| 49 | ALB | fungi | Plant_Biomass | LULhist.te | := | e+(a*c) | LULhist.te | -0.13 | 0.15 | -0.86 | 0.39 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.86 | 0.39 |
| 50 | ALB | fungi | Plant_Biomass | LULchange.te | := | f+(b*c) | LULchange.te | -0.12 | 0.06 | -1.93 | 0.05 | -0.26 | 0.13 | -2.00 | 0.05 |
| 51 | ALB | fungi | Plant_Biomass | LULhist.tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LULhist.tc | -0.13 | 0.15 | -0.85 | 0.40 | -0.08 | 0.14 | -0.56 | 0.57 |
| 52 | ALB | fungi | Plant_Biomass | LULchange.tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LULchange.tc | -0.12 | 0.06 | -1.91 | 0.06 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.87 | 0.06 |
| 53 | ALB | fungi | Lignin | Lignin | - | LULhistoric | a | 0.02 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 0.90 | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.13 | 0.90 |
| 54 | ALB | fungi | Lignin | Lignin | - | LULchange | b | 0.04 | 0.08 | 0.54 | 0.59 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.54 | 0.59 |
| 55 | ALB | fungi | Lignin | fungi | - | Lignin | c | -0.08 | 0.12 | -0.71 | 0.48 | -0.10 | 0.14 | -0.71 | 0.47 |
| 56 | ALB | fungi | Lignin | fungi | - | LULhistoric | e | -0.14 | 0.16 | -0.87 | 0.39 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.87 | 0.38 |
| 57 | ALB | fungi | Lignin | fungi | - | LULchange | f | -0.12 | 0.07 | -1.84 | 0.07 | -0.26 | 0.14 | -1.90 | 0.06 |
| 58 | ALB | fungi | Lignin | LULhistoric | -- | LULchange | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.95 | 0.34 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.98 | 0.33 |
| 59 | ALB | fungi | Lignin | Lignin | -- | Lignin | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.00 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 44.28 | 0.00 |
| 60 | ALB | fungi | Lignin | fungi | -- | fungi | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.00 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.82 | 0.00 |
| 61 | ALB | fungi | Lignin | LULhistoric | -- | LULhistoric | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | | |
| 62 | ALB | fungi | Lignin | LULchange | -- | LULchange | | 0.20 | 0.04 | 4.90 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | | |
| 63 | ALB | fungi | Lignin | LULhist.in | := | a*c | LULhist.in | -0.00 | 0.02 | -0.13 | 0.90 | -0.00 | 0.01 | -0.13 | 0.90 |
| 64 | ALB | fungi | Lignin | LULchange.in | := | b*c | LULchange.in | -0.00 | 0.01 | -0.43 | 0.67 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.43 | 0.67 |
| 65 | ALB | fungi | Lignin | LULhist.te | := | e+(a*c) | LULhist.te | -0.14 | 0.16 | -0.88 | 0.38 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.88 | 0.38 |
| 66 | ALB | fungi | Lignin | LULchange.te | := | f+(b*c) | LULchange.te | -0.12 | 0.07 | -1.89 | 0.06 | -0.26 | 0.14 | -1.96 | 0.05 |

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Table 6: SEM estimates for fungal PLFA of all models. Given are the unstandardized regression coefficients (est) with their standard error (se), z-value (z) and respective p -value (pvalue), as well as the standardized correlation coefficients (est.std) with their standard error (se.std), z-value (z.std) and p -value (pvalue.std) for each microbial variable (MO variable) and the five selected mediator variables. The single model paths are described by lhs = left hand side, op = operator, rhs = right hand side and if applicable the respective label of the path.

| | Exploratory | resp_variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | pvalue | est.std | se.std | z.std | pvalue.std |
|----|-------------|---------------|----------|--------------|----|-----------------------|--------------|-------|------|-------|--------|---------|--------|--------|------------|
| 67 | ALB | fungi | Lignin | LULhist.tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LULhist.tc | -0.14 | 0.16 | -0.87 | 0.38 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.60 | 0.55 |
| 68 | ALB | fungi | Lignin | LULchange.tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LULchange.tc | -0.12 | 0.07 | -1.87 | 0.06 | -0.25 | 0.14 | -1.83 | 0.07 |
| 69 | ALB | fungi | pH | pH_historic | - | LULhistoric | a | -0.12 | 0.19 | -0.67 | 0.50 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.67 | 0.50 |
| 70 | ALB | fungi | pH | pH_change | - | LULchange | b | -0.00 | 0.06 | -0.08 | 0.93 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.08 | 0.93 |
| 71 | ALB | fungi | pH | fungi | - | pH_historic | c | 0.11 | 0.11 | 0.94 | 0.35 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.95 | 0.34 |
| 72 | ALB | fungi | pH | fungi | - | pH_change | d | 0.00 | 0.14 | 0.01 | 0.99 | 0.00 | 0.14 | 0.01 | 0.99 |
| 73 | ALB | fungi | pH | fungi | - | LULhistoric | e | -0.11 | 0.15 | -0.72 | 0.47 | -0.10 | 0.14 | -0.72 | 0.47 |
| 74 | ALB | fungi | pH | fungi | -- | LULchange | f | -0.10 | 0.06 | -1.59 | 0.11 | -0.22 | 0.14 | -1.63 | 0.10 |
| 75 | ALB | fungi | pH | LULhistoric | -- | LULchange | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.30 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.06 | 0.29 |
| 76 | ALB | fungi | pH | pH_historic | -- | pH_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.00 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 37.71 | 0.00 |
| 77 | ALB | fungi | pH | pH_change | -- | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 298.93 | 0.00 |
| 78 | ALB | fungi | pH | fungi | -- | fungi | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.00 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.43 | 0.00 |
| 79 | ALB | fungi | pH | LULhistoric | -- | LULhistoric | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | | |
| 80 | ALB | fungi | pH | LULchange | -- | LULchange | | 0.19 | 0.04 | 5.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | | |
| 81 | ALB | fungi | pH | LULhist.in | := | a*c | LULhist.in | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.54 | 0.59 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.54 | 0.59 |
| 82 | ALB | fungi | pH | LULchange.in | := | b*d | LULchange.in | 0.00 | 0.00 | -0.01 | 0.99 | 0.00 | 0.00 | -0.01 | 0.99 |
| 83 | ALB | fungi | pH | LULhist.te | := | e+(a*c) | LULhist.te | -0.12 | 0.15 | -0.80 | 0.42 | -0.11 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.42 |
| 84 | ALB | fungi | pH | LULchange.te | := | f+(b*d) | LULchange.te | -0.10 | 0.06 | -1.59 | 0.11 | -0.22 | 0.14 | -1.63 | 0.10 |
| 85 | ALB | fungi | pH | LULhist.tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LULhist.tc | -0.12 | 0.15 | -0.80 | 0.42 | -0.08 | 0.14 | -0.57 | 0.57 |
| 86 | ALB | fungi | pH | LULchange.tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LULchange.tc | -0.10 | 0.06 | -1.58 | 0.12 | -0.20 | 0.13 | -1.51 | 0.13 |

Table 7: SEM model fit for fungal PLFA of all models. Given are the model fit values for the five tested mediator types. If the model with the lowest AIC value had a significant p -value of X^2 , the model with the next lower AIC without a significant p -value of X^2 was chosen (according to the t-rule model fit based on chi-square tests could not be assessed for SEMs with plant biomass and lignin). ntotal = no. of samples, npar = no. of estimated parameters, df = degrees of freedom, p = p -value of X^2 , rmsea = root means square error, rmsea.p = p -value of rmsea, AIC = Akaike's information criterion, O2E = ratio of observed samples:estimated parameters.

| | Exploratory | resp_variable | mediator | ntotal | npar | chisq | df | pvalue | rmsea | rmsea.pvalue | srmr | baseline.chisq | baseline.df | aic | O2E |
|---|-------------|---------------|---------------|--------|------|-------|----|--------|-------|--------------|------|----------------|-------------|--------|------|
| 1 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | 48 | 12 | 6.31 | 3 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 0.07 | 49.82 | 10 | -27.55 | 4.00 |
| 2 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc_int | 48 | 12 | 9.23 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.21 | 0.04 | 0.10 | 25.54 | 10 | -8.92 | 4.00 |
| 3 | ALB | fungi | Plant_Biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | | 0.00 | | 0.00 | 6.64 | 6 | 13.77 | 5.00 |
| 4 | ALB | fungi | Lignin | 48 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | | 0.00 | | 0.00 | 5.53 | 6 | 32.29 | 4.80 |
| 5 | ALB | fungi | pH | 50 | 12 | 8.72 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.05 | 0.10 | 14.92 | 10 | 9.91 | 4.17 |

Table 8: SEM r^2 values for fungal PLFA of all models. resp_variable = response variable, rsq_m_hist = r^2 of historic mediator variable, rsq_m_chg = r^2 of Δ mediator variable, rsq_MO = r^2 of microbial, i.e. response variable.

| | Exploratory | resp_variable | mediator | rsq_m_hist | rsq_m_chg | rsq_MO |
|---|-------------|---------------|---------------|------------|-----------|--------|
| 1 | ALB | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | 0.52 | 0.01 | 0.12 |
| 2 | ALB | fungi | CWM_Myc_int | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.14 |
| 3 | ALB | fungi | Plant_Biomass | | 0.03 | 0.08 |
| 4 | ALB | fungi | Lignin | | 0.01 | 0.09 |
| 5 | ALB | fungi | pH | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.07 |

Supplementary Figures

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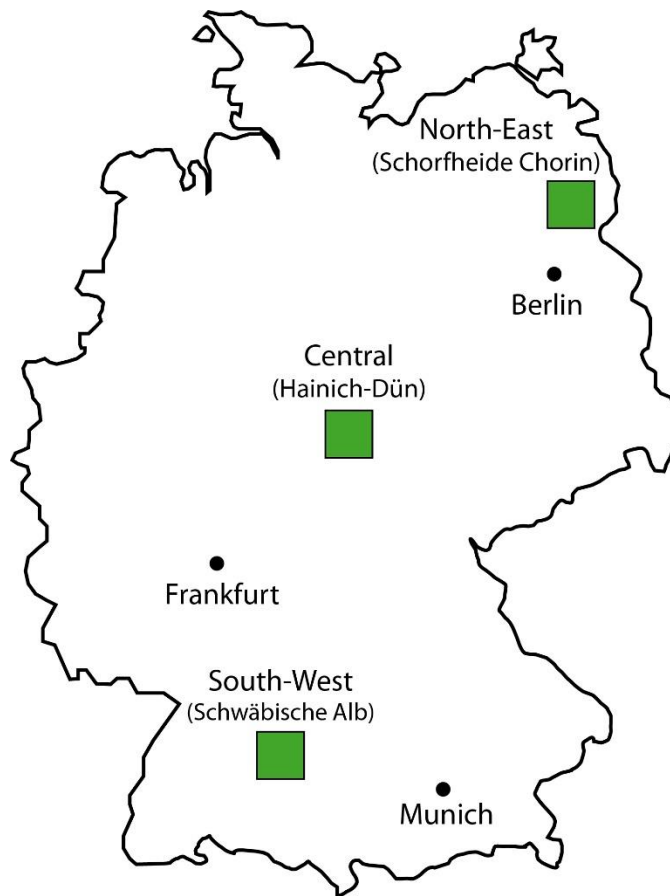


Figure S1: Location of the three investigated regions in Germany.

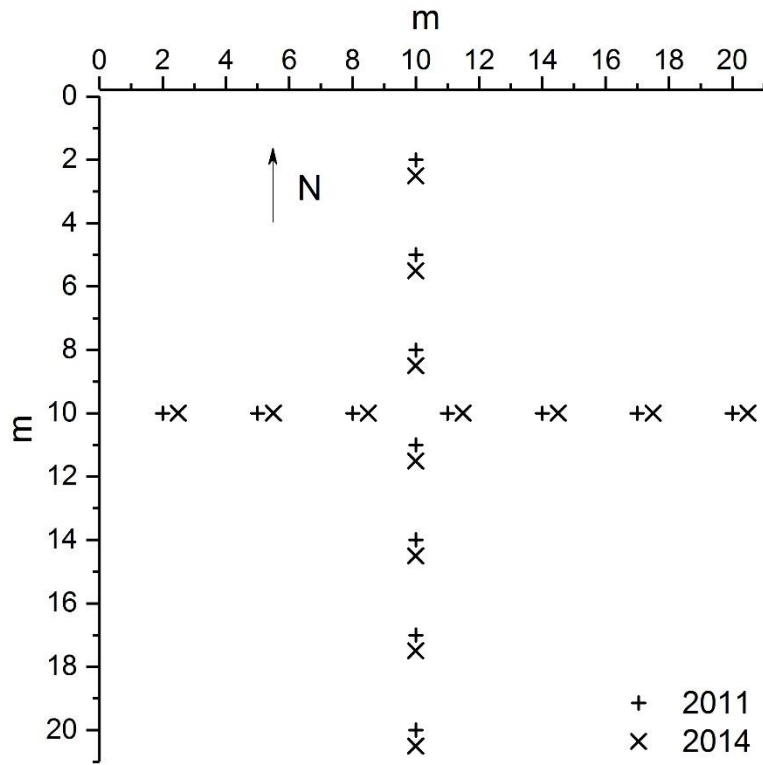
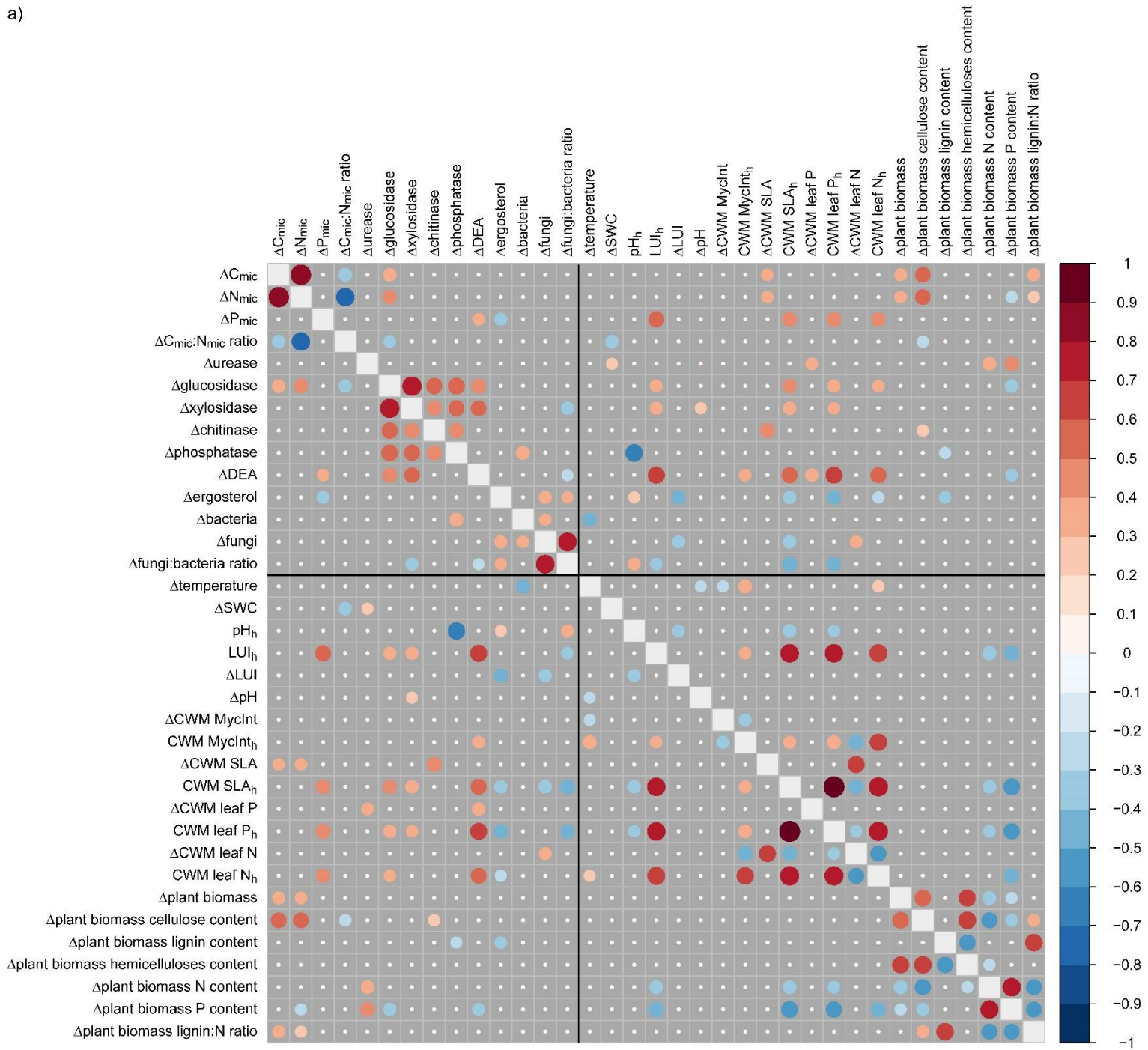
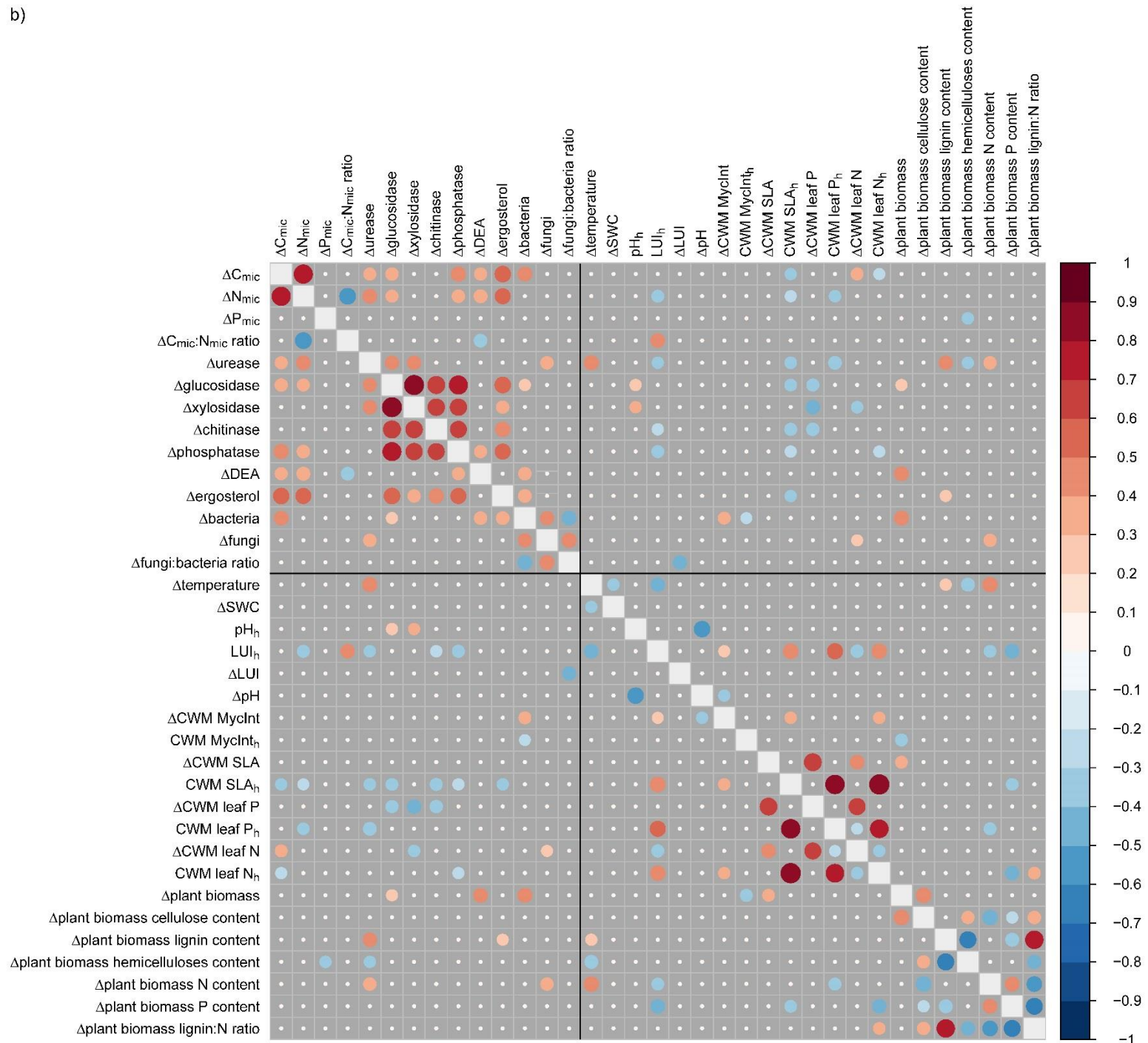


Figure S2: Sampling scheme for all grassland plots with sampling points of 2011 and 2014. In case obstacles such as shrubs or rocks inferred sampling at a selected spot, the sampling point was shifted along the transects by 1 m and the action protocolled.

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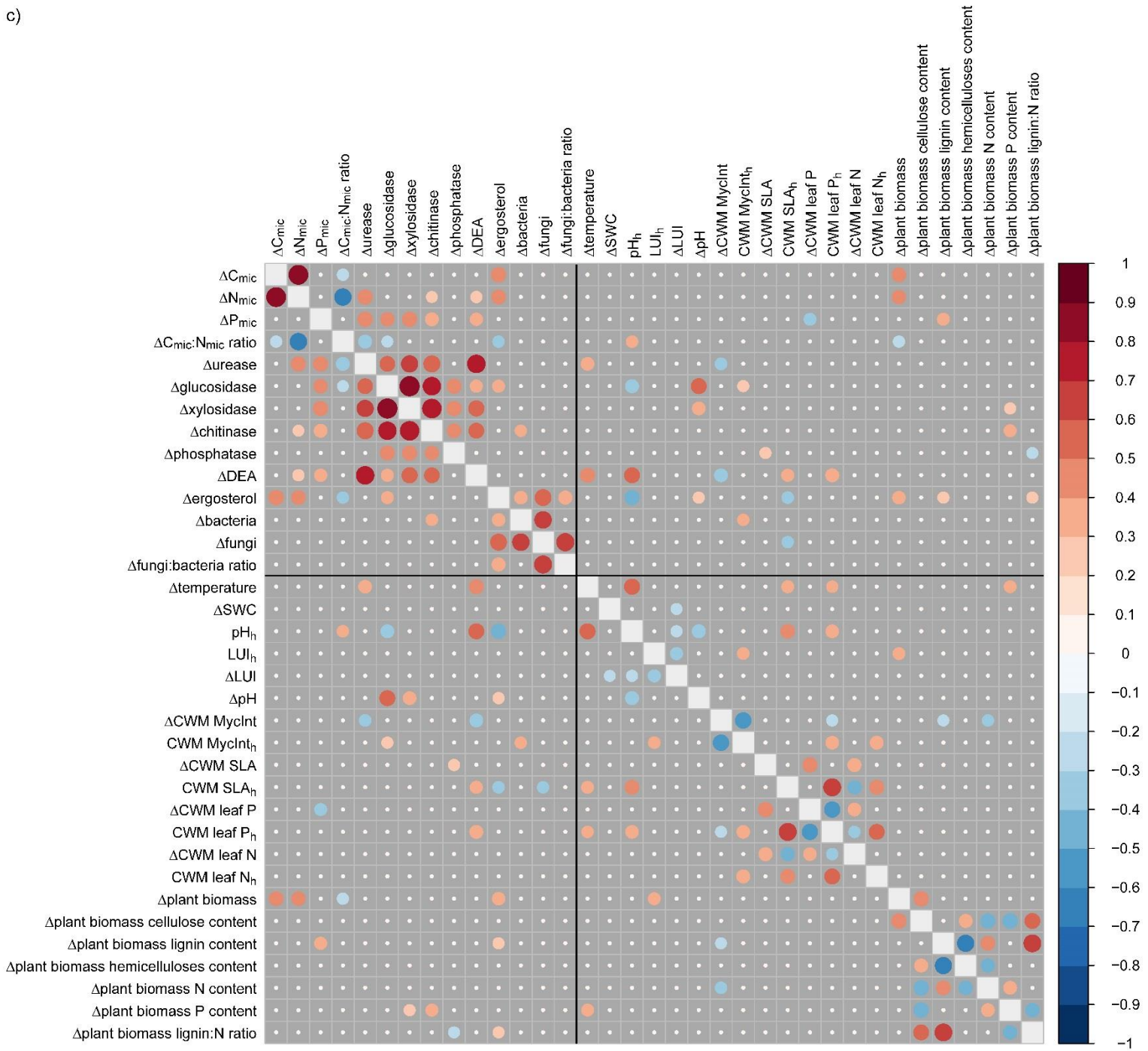


Figure S3: Spearman rank correlation coefficients (r) between fixed effects and response variables of linear models for the a) South-West, b) Central and c) North-East region. Only significant correlations are displayed.

Supplementary Tables

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Table S1: Hypothesized pathways in SEMs shown in Figures 1a and 1b. Land-use intensity influences soil microorganisms directly, but can also act indirectly as it affects properties of the microbial environment. Historic and change mediators were chosen as they were the most significant of the plausible mediator variables in hierarchical regression modelling. Effects can occur due to short term changes in the variables, but also via long-term legacy effects on changes in soil microorganisms (Δ). The nutrient content of a soil, for example, reflects past land-use intensity and influences the effect of new nutrient inputs by determining the level of nutrient limitation of soil biota and plants (Perring et al., 2016; Richter et al., 2000). In the case of grassland soil function for example, plant communities, and their functional properties, may take several years to fully respond to changes in land-use intensity (Poptcheva et al., 2009).

| | Path | Hypotheses | References |
|--|--|---|---|
| LUI _h | ←→ Δ LUI | Historic land-use can influence future change in land use (e.g. highly intensive sites may be more likely to see LUI declines) | Perring et al. (2016) |
| LUI | → Plant biomass | Nutrient availability to plants is increased by fertilisation, leading to higher plant biomass production | Milton (1940); Klaus et al. (2011) |
| LUI | → Plant biomass lignin content | Fertilised and frequently disturbed (via mowing and grazing) environments select for fast growing plants with less structural components incorporating lignin | Reich (2014) |
| LUI | → CWM of plant functional leaf traits (leaf P) | Fertilisation shifts plant communities towards fast growing species with high leaf P content | Pfesterf et al. (2013); Busch et al. (2018) |
| LUI | → CWM MycInt | Fertilisation leads to reduction in root mycorrhization | Gehring and Whitham (1994); Titus and Lepš (2000); Treseder (2004) |
| LUI | → pH | N fertilization leads to acidification of soils | Bardgett and McAlister (1999) |
| LUI | → Δ microbial properties | Nutrient availability to microbes is increased by fertilisation, with effects on microbial communities including increases in the abundance of bacteria relative to fungi. Changes in nutrient status affect microbial physiology and metabolism altering microbial biomass and soil enzyme activities | de Vries et al. (2012) Kandeler and Eder (1993); Bardgett and Leemans (1995); Donnison et al. (2000) |
| Plant biomass | → Δ microbial properties | Increase in plant biomass leads to increase in litter inputs and rhizodeposition, which are important resources for soil microorganisms | Swinnen et al. (1995); Eisenhauer et al. (2017); Bardgett et al. (1998); Spohn et al. (2013) |
| Plant biomass lignin content | → Δ microbial properties | Plant litter with a high lignin input decomposes more slowly. Lignin rich inputs favour fungi over bacteria due to physiological differences. | Potthast et al. (2010); Sagova-Mareckova et al. (2011) |
| CWM of plant functional leaf traits (leaf P) | → Δ microbial properties | High quality litter inputs from plant communities possessing 'fast' traits favor bacteria over fungi | de Vries et al. (2012) |
| CWM MycInt | → Δ microbial properties | lower mycorrhization leads to lower total microbial biomass and less competition for nutrients between bacteria, saprotrophic fungi and mycorrhizal fungi | Tiunov and Scheu (2005) |
| pH | → Δ microbial properties | soil pH affects a wide range of microbial physiological process, including enzyme activities, and performance, affecting microbial community structure. | Fierer and Jackson (2006); Rousk et al. (2009); Fornara et al. (2011); Acosta-Martínez and Tabatabai (2011) |

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Table S2: Characteristics of the three investigated regions with mean annual temperature (MAT), mean annual precipitation (MAP), elevation (m above sea level), areal spread of investigated sites, and soil types (and their number of occurrence) (Fischer et al. 2010), the latter determined after the World Reference Base of Soil Resources (IUSS Working Group WRB 2015), as well as soil texture (Solly et al. 2014).

| region | MAT [°C] | MAP [mm] | elevation [m a.s.l.] | area [km ²] | soil type (occurrence) | soil texture |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| South- West | 6.0–7.0 | 700–1000 | 460–860 | ~422 | Leptosol (33), Cambisol (17) | 54 % clay, 41 % silt, 6 % sand |
| Central | 6.5–8 | 500–800 | 285–550 | ~1300 | Cambisol (28), Stagnosol (18), Vertisol (4) | 42 % clay, 52 % silt, 6 % sand |
| North- East | 8.0–8.5 | 500–600 | 3–140 | ~1300 | Histosol (19), Luvisol (9), Gleysol (8), Albeluvisol (7), Cambisol (7) | 17 % clay, 37 % silt, 45 % sand |

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Table S3: Data used for the categories 'historic' and 'change'. 'Historic' data was calculated as means of several years and includes the background value of pH (only one year of data available), while 'change' describes the net difference between two years.

| Category | Variable | Time frame |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| historic | pH (background value) | 2011 |
| | LUI | 2006 – 2010 |
| | CWM MycInt | 2008 – 2011 |
| | CWM SLA | 2008 – 2011 |
| | CWM leaf P | 2008 – 2011 |
| | CWM leaf N | 2008 – 2011 |
| change | Temperature | 2011, 2014 |
| | Soil water content | 2011, 2014 |
| | pH | 2011, 2014 |
| | LUI | 2010, 2013 |
| | CWM MycInt | 2011, 2014 |
| | CWM SLA | 2011, 2014 |
| | CWM leaf P | 2011, 2014 |
| | CWM leaf N | 2011, 2014 |
| | Plant biomass | 2011, 2014 |
| | Plant biomass cellulose content | 2011, 2014 |
| | Plant biomass hemicelluloses content | 2011, 2014 |
| | Plant biomass lignin content | 2011, 2014 |
| | Plant biomass N content | 2011, 2014 |
| | Plant biomass P content | 2011, 2014 |
| Plant biomass lignin:N ratio | 2011, 2014 | |

Table S4: Overview of data from Schwäbische Alb (South-West), Hainich-Dün (Central) and Schorfheide-Chorin (North-East). Given are minimum (min), maximum (max), median, mean, standard deviation (SD) and number of samples (N).

| | | Variable | Unit | South-West | | | | | |
|---|-----------------------|------------------------|--|--------------------|---------|--------|--------|--------|------|
| | | | | min | max | median | mean | SD | N |
| response variable (change between 2011 and 2014) | microbial biomass | Cmic | $\mu\text{g C g}^{-1}$ soil DM | -266.28 | 211.40 | -0.06 | 3.71 | 99.52 | 50 |
| | | Nmic | $\mu\text{g N g}^{-1}$ soil DM | -64.83 | 51.81 | 7.22 | 6.97 | 22.51 | 50 |
| | | Cmic:Nmic ratio | | -2.09 | 0.85 | -0.32 | -0.38 | 0.69 | 50 |
| | | Pmic | $\mu\text{g P g}^{-1}$ soil DM | -33.33 | 66.59 | 2.89 | 8.25 | 22.71 | 39 |
| | enzyme activity | beta-glucosidase | $\text{nmol MUF g}^{-1} \text{h}^{-1}$ | -224.99 | 1183.15 | 486.15 | 503.17 | 328.26 | 50 |
| | | beta-xylosidase | $\text{nmol MUF g}^{-1} \text{h}^{-1}$ | 1.13 | 332.38 | 146.54 | 154.21 | 70.80 | 50 |
| | | chitinase | $\text{nmol MUF g}^{-1} \text{h}^{-1}$ | -280.31 | 438.38 | 249.72 | 232.42 | 136.60 | 47 |
| | | urease | $\mu\text{g N g}^{-1} \text{DM 2h}^{-1}$ | -21.12 | 208.64 | 59.45 | 62.52 | 45.24 | 50 |
| | | DEA | $\mu\text{g N}_2\text{O-N} + \text{N}_2\text{-N g}^{-1} \text{soil DM h}^{-1}$ | 0.07 | 7.74 | 1.72 | 1.96 | 1.52 | 50 |
| | | phosphatase | $\text{nmol MUF g}^{-1} \text{h}^{-1}$ | -171.94 | 2025.45 | 841.54 | 888.13 | 455.30 | 50 |
| | microbial community | bacteria | nmol FAME g^{-1} soil DM | -39.79 | 95.55 | 10.19 | 8.74 | 27.41 | 50 |
| | | gram negative bacteria | nmol FAME g^{-1} soil DM | -4.54 | 20.16 | 3.82 | 4.09 | 4.21 | 50 |
| | | gram positive bacteria | nmol FAME g^{-1} soil DM | -36.22 | 69.04 | 0.04 | 1.43 | 20.39 | 50 |
| | | fungi | nmol FAME g^{-1} soil DM | -3.09 | 15.38 | 5.78 | 5.93 | 3.82 | 50 |
| | | fungi:bacteria ratio | | -0.02 | 0.15 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 50 |
| | | ergosterol | $\mu\text{g g}^{-1}$ soil DM | -2.45 | 9.93 | 3.17 | 3.22 | 3.00 | 50 |
| | | invertebrates | nmol FAME g^{-1} soil DM | -0.71 | 3.06 | 1.31 | 1.24 | 0.75 | 50 |
| | | sum microbial PLFA | nmol FAME g^{-1} soil DM | 17.66 | 291.08 | 102.01 | 112.54 | 53.65 | 50 |
| | explanatory variables | abiotic factors | temperature change | $^{\circ}\text{C}$ | -2.04 | 1.04 | -0.52 | -0.49 | 0.66 |
| soil water content change | | | % vol. of water holding capacity | -19.89 | 8.46 | -1.48 | -2.99 | 5.82 | 49 |
| pH change | | | in CaCl_2 | -0.35 | 0.24 | -0.08 | -0.09 | 0.11 | 50 |
| pH historic | | | in CaCl_2 | 5.08 | 7.30 | 6.15 | 6.26 | 0.55 | 50 |
| land-use intensity | | LUI change | dimensionless | -1.12 | 0.74 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.44 | 50 |
| | | LUI historic | dimensionless | 0.55 | 3.96 | 1.66 | 1.62 | 0.63 | 50 |
| | | mowing change | no. of cuts per year | -0.89 | 1.61 | -0.03 | 0.00 | 0.44 | 50 |
| | | fertilization change | $\text{kg N ha}^{-1} \text{a}^{-1}$ | -3.33 | 4.04 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.35 | 50 |
| | | grazing change | $\text{livestock units d ha}^{-1} \text{year}^{-1}$ | -3.90 | 1.37 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.01 | 50 |
| plant functional traits | | CWM MycInt change | % colonized root length | -22.92 | 13.95 | -1.36 | -1.46 | 6.61 | 48 |
| | | CWM MycInt historic | % colonized root length | 36.36 | 57.35 | 49.85 | 49.16 | 5.01 | 50 |
| | | CWM SLA change | $\text{mm}^2 \text{g}^{-1} \text{DM}$ | -4.43 | 2.42 | -0.13 | -0.36 | 1.69 | 48 |
| | | CWM SLA historic | $\text{mm}^2 \text{g}^{-1} \text{DM}$ | 19.91 | 30.29 | 26.53 | 25.55 | 3.08 | 50 |
| | | CWM leaf P change | $\text{mg P g}^{-1} \text{DM}$ | -0.97 | 0.48 | 0.02 | -0.01 | 0.26 | 48 |
| | | CWM leaf P historic | $\text{mg P g}^{-1} \text{DM}$ | 1.55 | 3.33 | 2.58 | 2.49 | 0.48 | 50 |
| | | CWM leaf N change | $\text{mg N g}^{-1} \text{DM}$ | -7.03 | 3.70 | -0.60 | -0.60 | 2.32 | 48 |
| | | CWM leaf N historic | $\text{mg N g}^{-1} \text{DM}$ | 19.03 | 32.75 | 28.52 | 27.34 | 3.62 | 50 |

Table S4 continued

| | | Variable | Unit | min | max | South-West | | | N | |
|---|-------------------------------|---|-------------------|----------|---------|------------|---------|--------|------|----|
| | | | | | | median | mean | SD | | |
| explanatory variables | plant biomass properties | plant biomass change | g m ⁻² | -74.45 | 602.95 | 124.23 | 164.37 | 145.01 | 50 | |
| | | plant biomass cellulose content change | % | -2.60 | 8.65 | 1.53 | 2.08 | 2.93 | 48 | |
| | | plant biomass hemicelluloses content change | % | -16.59 | 15.16 | 1.98 | 2.51 | 6.37 | 48 | |
| | | plant biomass lignin content change | % | -1.27 | 2.75 | 0.43 | 0.51 | 0.99 | 48 | |
| | | plant biomass lignin:N ratio change | % | -0.46 | 2.37 | 0.59 | 0.66 | 0.65 | 48 | |
| | | plant biomass N content change | % | -1.06 | 0.31 | -0.27 | -0.29 | 0.34 | 48 | |
| | | plant biomass P content change | % | -0.08 | 0.14 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 48 | |
| | excluded | fast-slow gradient change | site scores PC1 | | -3.38 | 2.37 | -0.17 | -0.19 | 1.10 | 48 |
| | | fast-slow gradient historic | site scores PC1 | | -2.61 | 4.57 | -0.08 | 0.57 | 1.89 | 50 |
| | | Rao's Q change | index | | -0.01 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 48 |
| | | Rao's Q historic | index | | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 50 |
| | | number of species change | count | | -6.00 | 21.00 | 4.00 | 4.42 | 4.43 | 48 |
| | | number of species historic | count | | 15.75 | 52.25 | 27.88 | 30.58 | 8.93 | 50 |
| | | number of grasses change | count | | -6.00 | 8.00 | 0.00 | 0.20 | 2.62 | 49 |
| background variables (change between 2011 and 2014) | number of herbs change | count | | -15.00 | 10.00 | 1.00 | 1.02 | 3.73 | 49 | |
| | number of legumes change | count | | -3.00 | 2.00 | 0.00 | -0.35 | 1.20 | 49 | |
| | bulk density | g cm ⁻³ | | -0.196 | 0.892 | 0.075 | 0.083 | 0.144 | 49 | |
| | soil water content in samples | % g ⁻¹ soil DM | | -27.109 | 33.061 | 15.099 | 14.479 | 10.607 | 50 | |
| | ammonium | µg N g ⁻¹ soil DM | | -35.54 | 18.723 | -5.487 | -6.23 | 10.187 | 50 | |
| | nitrate | µg N g ⁻¹ soil DM | | -38.008 | 14.17 | -7.204 | -8.619 | 10.277 | 50 | |
| | Nmin | µg N g ⁻¹ soil DM | | -39.304 | 14.075 | -16.569 | -14.849 | 12.848 | 50 | |
| | Cmic:Ct ratio | | | -1.898 | 3.613 | 0.239 | 0.164 | 1.277 | 49 | |
| | C:N ratio | | | -0.743 | 0.531 | 0.009 | -0.011 | 0.176 | 50 | |
| | EOC | µg C g ⁻¹ soil DM | | -100.093 | 192.881 | 40.008 | 48.423 | 71.678 | 50 | |
| EN | µg N g ⁻¹ soil DM | | -22.174 | 22.931 | -2.661 | -2.832 | 8.802 | 50 | | |

Table S4 continued

| | | Variable | Unit | min | max | Central median | mean | SD | N |
|---|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---------|---------|-------------------|--------|--------|----|
| response variable (change between 2011 and 2014) | microbial biomass | Cmic | $\mu\text{g C g}^{-1}$ soil DM | -219.45 | 145.68 | -43.10 | -42.74 | 82.19 | 50 |
| | | Nmic | $\mu\text{g N g}^{-1}$ soil DM | -68.30 | 17.58 | -15.90 | -16.91 | 17.32 | 50 |
| | | Cmic:Nmic ratio | | -0.66 | 2.71 | 0.66 | 0.76 | 0.78 | 50 |
| | | Pmic | $\mu\text{g P g}^{-1}$ soil DM | -44.05 | 51.55 | -6.96 | -6.16 | 21.19 | 45 |
| | enzyme activity | beta-glucosidase | $\text{nmol MUF g}^{-1} \text{h}^{-1}$ | -914.27 | 1075.71 | 25.36 | 32.09 | 326.06 | 50 |
| | | beta-xylosidase | $\text{nmol MUF g}^{-1} \text{h}^{-1}$ | -251.36 | 269.24 | 28.56 | 32.37 | 84.58 | 48 |
| | | chitinase | $\text{nmol MUF g}^{-1} \text{h}^{-1}$ | -291.36 | 477.41 | 85.82 | 100.20 | 130.90 | 50 |
| | | urease | $\mu\text{g N g}^{-1} \text{DM } 2\text{h}^{-1}$ | -224.06 | 39.28 | -39.27 | -42.49 | 62.81 | 45 |
| | | DEA | $\mu\text{g N}_2\text{O-N} + \text{N}_2\text{-N g}^{-1} \text{soil DM h}^{-1}$ | -1.32 | 2.47 | 0.34 | 0.34 | 0.60 | 50 |
| | | phosphatase | $\text{nmol MUF g}^{-1} \text{h}^{-1}$ | -579.22 | 874.99 | 101.98 | 73.69 | 244.47 | 50 |
| | microbial community | bacteria | nmol FAME g^{-1} soil DM | -38.91 | 48.68 | -2.35 | -0.92 | 18.55 | 50 |
| | | gram negative bacteria | nmol FAME g^{-1} soil DM | -3.89 | 8.33 | 1.48 | 1.82 | 2.92 | 50 |
| | | gram positive bacteria | nmol FAME g^{-1} soil DM | -28.64 | 30.31 | -1.20 | -1.89 | 11.31 | 50 |
| | | fungi | nmol FAME g^{-1} soil DM | -4.50 | 5.60 | 2.00 | 2.09 | 2.16 | 50 |
| | | fungi:bacteria ratio | | -0.02 | 0.12 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 50 |
| | | ergosterol | $\mu\text{g g}^{-1}$ soil DM | -7.09 | 8.42 | 1.36 | 1.37 | 3.44 | 47 |
| | | invertebrates | nmol FAME g^{-1} soil DM | -0.95 | 1.91 | 0.08 | 0.20 | 0.55 | 50 |
| sum microbial PLFA | | nmol FAME g^{-1} soil DM | -0.53 | 142.63 | 50.11 | 56.28 | 33.37 | 50 | |
| explanatory variables | abiotic factors | temperature change | $^{\circ}\text{C}$ | -1.91 | 9.80 | 0.17 | 0.39 | 1.61 | 48 |
| | | soil water content change | % vol. of water holding capacity | -10.20 | 22.97 | 5.46 | 4.92 | 6.01 | 49 |
| | | pH change | in CaCl_2 | -0.28 | 0.31 | -0.11 | -0.08 | 0.12 | 50 |
| | | pH historic | in CaCl_2 | 5.02 | 7.45 | 7.09 | 6.89 | 0.51 | 50 |
| | land-use intensity | LUI change | dimensionless | -0.77 | 1.21 | -0.06 | -0.02 | 0.40 | 50 |
| | | LUI historic | dimensionless | 0.63 | 3.05 | 1.67 | 1.62 | 0.63 | 50 |
| | | mowing change | no. of cuts per year | -2.23 | 0.96 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.63 | 50 |
| | | fertilization change | $\text{kg N ha}^{-1} \text{a}^{-1}$ | -2.81 | 3.05 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.05 | 50 |
| | | grazing change | $\text{livestock units d ha}^{-1} \text{year}^{-1}$ | -2.81 | 6.56 | -0.11 | 0.00 | 1.28 | 50 |
| | plant functional traits | CWM MycInt change | % colonized root length | -24.73 | 14.05 | 0.79 | 0.10 | 7.11 | 50 |
| | | CWM MycInt historic | % colonized root length | 39.72 | 58.53 | 52.23 | 51.43 | 4.36 | 50 |
| | | CWM SLA change | $\text{mm}^2 \text{g}^{-1} \text{DM}$ | -4.41 | 3.95 | 0.23 | 0.37 | 1.53 | 50 |
| | | CWM SLA historic | $\text{mm}^2 \text{g}^{-1} \text{DM}$ | 21.61 | 29.51 | 26.37 | 25.95 | 1.88 | 50 |
| | | CWM leaf P change | $\text{mg P g}^{-1} \text{DM}$ | -0.90 | 1.81 | -0.12 | -0.10 | 0.41 | 50 |
| | | CWM leaf P historic | $\text{mg P g}^{-1} \text{DM}$ | 1.73 | 3.67 | 2.60 | 2.59 | 0.42 | 50 |
| | | CWM leaf N change | $\text{mg N g}^{-1} \text{DM}$ | -7.72 | 4.20 | -0.12 | -0.11 | 2.49 | 50 |
| | | CWM leaf N historic | $\text{mg N g}^{-1} \text{DM}$ | 21.17 | 31.92 | 28.30 | 28.38 | 2.79 | 50 |

Table S4 continued

| | | Variable | Unit | min | max | Central median | mean | SD | N |
|---|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------|----------|---------|-------------------|---------|--------|----|
| explanatory variables | plant biomass properties | plant biomass change | g m ⁻² | -53.55 | 391.30 | 157.50 | 162.98 | 96.34 | 50 |
| | | plant biomass cellulose content change | % | -0.48 | 9.83 | 3.20 | 3.70 | 2.29 | 50 |
| | | plant biomass hemicelluloses content change | % | -10.53 | 11.58 | -0.03 | 0.19 | 5.72 | 50 |
| | | plant biomass lignin content change | % | -1.82 | 3.92 | 0.63 | 0.67 | 1.30 | 50 |
| | | plant biomass lignin:N ratio change | % | -0.78 | 2.59 | 0.61 | 0.63 | 0.75 | 50 |
| | | plant biomass N content change | % | -1.21 | 0.63 | -0.19 | -0.22 | 0.38 | 50 |
| | | plant biomass P content change | % | -0.06 | 0.15 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 50 |
| | excluded | fast-slow gradient change | site scores PC1 | -3.70 | 3.61 | -0.43 | -0.21 | 1.52 | 50 |
| | | fast-slow gradient historic | site scores PC1 | -2.67 | 3.29 | 0.15 | 0.16 | 1.46 | 50 |
| | | Rao's Q change | index | -0.01 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 50 |
| | | Rao's Q historic | index | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 50 |
| | | number of species change | count | -5.00 | 15.00 | 3.00 | 3.50 | 4.95 | 50 |
| | | number of species historic | count | 13.25 | 61.75 | 27.88 | 29.81 | 10.80 | 50 |
| | | number of grasses change | count | -4.00 | 4.00 | 1.00 | 0.52 | 1.99 | 50 |
| | | number of herbs change | count | -4.00 | 10.00 | 3.00 | 2.84 | 3.44 | 50 |
| | | number of legumes change | count | -3.00 | 3.00 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 1.35 | 50 |
| background variables (change between 2011 and 2014) | | bulk density | g cm ⁻³ | -0.274 | 0.39 | 0.068 | 0.066 | 0.108 | 47 |
| | | soil water content in samples | % g ⁻¹ soil DM | 1.227 | 25.734 | 11.06 | 10.952 | 6.013 | 50 |
| | | ammonium | µg N g ⁻¹ soil DM | -6.891 | 23.306 | 3.589 | 3.906 | 5.931 | 50 |
| | | nitrate | µg N g ⁻¹ soil DM | -23.667 | 33.505 | -2.33 | 0.032 | 12.095 | 50 |
| | | Nmin | µg N g ⁻¹ soil DM | -30.558 | 32.546 | 2.242 | 3.938 | 13.164 | 50 |
| | | Cmic:Ct ratio | | -2.319 | 6.67 | 1.316 | 1.287 | 1.69 | 50 |
| | | C:N ratio | | -0.895 | 0.274 | -0.125 | -0.201 | 0.255 | 50 |
| | | EOC | µg C g ⁻¹ soil DM | -147.669 | 119.939 | -14.975 | -24.206 | 57.62 | 50 |
| | | EN | µg N g ⁻¹ soil DM | -32.6 | 32.653 | 3.578 | 3.519 | 10.755 | 50 |

Table S4 continued

| | | Variable | Unit | min | max | North-East | | SD | N |
|---|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|----------|---------|------------|--------|--------|----|
| | | | | | | median | mean | | |
| response variable (change between 2011 and 2014) | microbial biomass | Cmic | $\mu\text{g C g}^{-1}$ soil DM | -362.66 | 224.35 | -54.55 | -67.48 | 118.44 | 50 |
| | | Nmic | $\mu\text{g N g}^{-1}$ soil DM | -67.22 | 62.88 | -4.73 | -2.87 | 25.63 | 50 |
| | | Cmic:Nmic ratio | | -2.89 | 1.84 | -0.45 | -0.43 | 0.79 | 50 |
| | | Pmic | $\mu\text{g P g}^{-1}$ soil DM | -39.51 | 51.01 | -8.18 | -2.25 | 20.39 | 46 |
| | enzyme activity | beta-glucosidase | $\text{nmol MUF g}^{-1} \text{h}^{-1}$ | -990.61 | 1434.12 | 96.29 | 190.09 | 511.64 | 50 |
| | | beta-xylosidase | $\text{nmol MUF g}^{-1} \text{h}^{-1}$ | -108.24 | 386.74 | 47.73 | 77.15 | 97.49 | 50 |
| | | chitinase | $\text{nmol MUF g}^{-1} \text{h}^{-1}$ | -261.82 | 711.18 | 94.03 | 126.78 | 184.53 | 50 |
| | | urease | $\mu\text{g N g}^{-1} \text{DM 2h}^{-1}$ | -201.71 | 347.94 | 34.72 | 63.41 | 99.62 | 50 |
| | | DEA | $\mu\text{g N}_2\text{O-N} + \text{N}_2\text{-N g}^{-1} \text{soil DM h}^{-1}$ | -0.26 | 4.99 | 1.38 | 1.43 | 1.21 | 50 |
| | | phosphatase | $\text{nmol MUF g}^{-1} \text{h}^{-1}$ | -1043.77 | 5400.01 | 344.25 | 530.56 | 897.41 | 50 |
| | microbial community | bacteria | nmol FAME g^{-1} soil DM | -82.71 | 43.32 | 4.93 | 2.46 | 23.17 | 50 |
| | | gram negative bacteria | nmol FAME g^{-1} soil DM | -10.14 | 7.24 | -0.39 | -0.16 | 2.97 | 50 |
| | | gram positive bacteria | nmol FAME g^{-1} soil DM | -47.80 | 28.71 | 3.84 | 1.59 | 14.19 | 50 |
| | | fungi | nmol FAME g^{-1} soil DM | -2.93 | 4.15 | 0.38 | 0.31 | 1.19 | 50 |
| fungi:bacteria ratio | | | -0.04 | 0.08 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 50 | |
| ergosterol | | $\mu\text{g g}^{-1}$ soil DM | -6.78 | 24.62 | 1.56 | 2.04 | 4.57 | 50 | |
| invertebrates | | nmol FAME g^{-1} soil DM | -1.00 | 1.14 | -0.08 | -0.03 | 0.49 | 50 | |
| sum microbial PLFA | | nmol FAME g^{-1} soil DM | -63.58 | 150.52 | 36.14 | 50.72 | 43.28 | 50 | |
| explanatory variables | abiotic factors | temperature change | $^{\circ}\text{C}$ | -0.33 | 8.90 | 1.16 | 1.57 | 1.75 | 50 |
| | | soil water content change | % vol. of water holding capacity | -18.87 | 47.22 | 3.56 | 4.57 | 9.89 | 50 |
| | | pH change | in CaCl_2 | -1.64 | 1.39 | -0.09 | 0.00 | 0.37 | 50 |
| | | pH historic | in CaCl_2 | 4.58 | 7.43 | 6.43 | 6.39 | 0.91 | 50 |
| | land-use intensity | LUI change | dimensionless | -2.02 | 2.72 | 0.06 | -0.04 | 0.81 | 50 |
| | | LUI historic | dimensionless | 0.92 | 2.93 | 1.40 | 1.63 | 0.58 | 50 |
| | | mowing change | no. of cuts per year | -1.06 | 2.38 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.74 | 50 |
| | | fertilization change | $\text{kg N ha}^{-1} \text{a}^{-1}$ | -7.96 | 13.65 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.82 | 50 |
| | | grazing change | $\text{livestock units d ha}^{-1} \text{year}^{-1}$ | -2.91 | 2.42 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.90 | 50 |
| | plant functional traits | CWM MycInt change | % colonized root length | -29.46 | 15.99 | 2.67 | 0.29 | 8.33 | 50 |
| | | CWM MycInt historic | % colonized root length | 27.45 | 67.58 | 49.48 | 48.80 | 7.79 | 50 |
| | | CWM SLA change | $\text{mm}^2 \text{g}^{-1} \text{DM}$ | -5.05 | 5.03 | 0.41 | 0.56 | 1.84 | 50 |
| | | CWM SLA historic | $\text{mm}^2 \text{g}^{-1} \text{DM}$ | 23.06 | 31.11 | 27.48 | 27.45 | 1.89 | 50 |
| | | CWM leaf P change | $\text{mg P g}^{-1} \text{DM}$ | -1.33 | 0.88 | -0.15 | -0.12 | 0.47 | 50 |
| | | CWM leaf P historic | $\text{mg P g}^{-1} \text{DM}$ | 2.18 | 4.20 | 2.92 | 2.94 | 0.43 | 50 |
| | | CWM leaf N change | $\text{mg N g}^{-1} \text{DM}$ | -6.68 | 7.93 | 1.47 | 1.01 | 2.53 | 50 |
| CWM leaf N historic | | $\text{mg N g}^{-1} \text{DM}$ | 22.32 | 35.15 | 29.31 | 29.04 | 2.51 | 50 | |

Table S4 continued

| | | Variable | Unit | min | max | North-East | | SD | N | |
|---|-------------------------------|---|-------------------|----------|---------|------------|---------|--------|------|----|
| | | | | | | median | mean | | | |
| explanatory variables | plant biomass properties | plant biomass change | g m ⁻² | -81.55 | 611.85 | 173.75 | 174.82 | 157.66 | 49 | |
| | | plant biomass cellulose content change | % | -3.54 | 10.07 | 1.85 | 2.12 | 2.55 | 49 | |
| | | plant biomass hemicelluloses content change | % | -12.38 | 16.38 | 1.88 | 2.08 | 6.14 | 49 | |
| | | plant biomass lignin content change | % | -2.59 | 2.98 | 0.88 | 0.72 | 1.26 | 49 | |
| | | plant biomass lignin:N ratio change | % | -1.50 | 2.63 | 0.35 | 0.38 | 0.64 | 49 | |
| | | plant biomass N content change | % | -1.26 | 1.39 | -0.06 | -0.05 | 0.55 | 49 | |
| | | plant biomass P content change | % | -0.03 | 0.19 | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0.05 | 49 | |
| | excluded | fast-slow gradient change | site scores PC1 | | -2.96 | 4.36 | 0.21 | 0.39 | 1.56 | 50 |
| | | fast-slow gradient historic | site scores PC1 | | -3.13 | 2.86 | -0.93 | -0.74 | 1.38 | 50 |
| | | Rao's Q change | index | | -0.01 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 50 |
| | | Rao's Q historic | index | | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 50 |
| | | number of species change | count | | -6.00 | 10.00 | 3.00 | 2.12 | 3.76 | 50 |
| | | number of species historic | count | | 13.00 | 27.25 | 19.00 | 19.20 | 3.45 | 50 |
| | | number of grasses change | count | | -2.00 | 5.00 | 1.00 | 1.08 | 1.28 | 50 |
| | number of herbs change | count | | -6.00 | 5.00 | 0.00 | 0.16 | 2.74 | 50 | |
| | number of legumes change | count | | -1.00 | 4.00 | 0.00 | 0.72 | 1.23 | 50 | |
| background variables (change between 2011 and 2014) | bulk density | g cm ⁻³ | | -0.166 | 0.33 | 0.069 | 0.073 | 0.098 | 50 | |
| | soil water content in samples | % g ⁻¹ soil DM | | -15.16 | 28.367 | 7.054 | 7.136 | 7.7 | 50 | |
| | ammonium | µg N g ⁻¹ soil DM | | -37.128 | 71.748 | -1.612 | -3.64 | 14.582 | 50 | |
| | nitrate | µg N g ⁻¹ soil DM | | -30.739 | 73.36 | 0.408 | 4.132 | 18.193 | 50 | |
| | Nmin | µg N g ⁻¹ soil DM | | -54.85 | 90.635 | 1.92 | 0.492 | 23.156 | 50 | |
| | Cmic:Ct ratio | | | -4.728 | 1.565 | -0.818 | -0.973 | 1.352 | 50 | |
| | C:N ratio | | | -0.824 | 1.545 | -0.053 | -0.067 | 0.337 | 50 | |
| | EOC | µg C g ⁻¹ soil DM | | -335.436 | 223.978 | -10.903 | -23.174 | 96.42 | 50 | |
| | EN | µg N g ⁻¹ soil DM | | -90.64 | 110.188 | 2.206 | -1.054 | 23.351 | 50 | |

Table S5: Hierarchical levels of multiple regression analyses (Δ = change, h = historic, bv = background value).

| Level | overall description | fixed effects |
|--------------|----------------------------|--|
| Level 1 | abiotic factors I | Δ temperature, Δ soil water content, pH _{bv} |
| Level 2 | land-use intensity | LUI _h , Δ LUI |
| Level 3 | abiotic factors II | Δ pH |
| Level 4 | plant functional traits | Δ CWM MycInt, CWM MycInt _h , Δ CWM SLA, CWM SLA _h , Δ CWM leaf P, CWM leaf P _h , Δ CWM leaf N, CWM leaf N _h |
| Level 5 | plant biomass properties | Δ plant biomass, Δ plant biomass cellulose content, Δ plant biomass hemicelluloses content, Δ plant biomass lignin content, Δ plant biomass P content, Δ plant biomass N content, Δ plant biomass |

Table S6.1: Model fits of SEMs in Schwäbische Alb (South-West), Hainich-Dün (Central) and Schorfheide-Chorin (North-East). Given are the model fit values for the five tested mediator types. Insignificant p -value of X^2 were highlighted in green and the model with the lowest AIC value in red. If the model with the lowest AIC value had a significant p -value of X^2 , the model with the next lower AIC without a significant p -value of X^2 was chosen (according to the t-rule model fit based on chi-square tests could not be assessed for SEMs with plant biomass and lignin). ntotal = no. of samples, npar = no. of estimated parameters, df = degrees of freedom, p = p -value of X^2 , rmsea = root means square error, rmsea.p = p -value of rmsea, AIC = Akaike's information criterion, O2E = ratio of observed samples:estimated parameters.

| Region | MO variable | mediator | ntotal | npar | X^2 | df | p | rmsea | rmsea.p | AIC | O2E |
|------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------|------|-------|----|------|-------|---------|--------|------|
| South-West | Cmic | CWM leaf P | 48 | 12 | 6.31 | 3 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.13 | -87.31 | 4.00 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM MycInt | 48 | 12 | 9.23 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.21 | 0.04 | -69.40 | 4.00 |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -55.85 | 5.00 |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin content | 48 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -26.80 | 4.80 |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | 50 | 12 | 8.72 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.05 | -53.84 | 4.17 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM leaf P | 48 | 12 | 6.31 | 3 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.13 | -95.16 | 4.00 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM MycInt | 48 | 12 | 9.23 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.21 | 0.04 | -77.16 | 4.00 |
| South-West | Nmic | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -63.13 | 5.00 |
| South-West | Nmic | Lignin content | 48 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -35.05 | 4.80 |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | 50 | 12 | 8.72 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.05 | -62.97 | 4.17 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM leaf P | 48 | 12 | 6.31 | 3 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.13 | -73.08 | 4.00 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM MycInt | 48 | 12 | 9.23 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.21 | 0.04 | -55.48 | 4.00 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -36.64 | 5.00 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin content | 48 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -15.55 | 4.80 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | 50 | 12 | 8.72 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.05 | -41.39 | 4.17 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM leaf P | 37 | 12 | 4.66 | 3 | 0.20 | 0.12 | 0.23 | -68.98 | 3.08 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM MycInt | 37 | 12 | 10.53 | 3 | 0.01 | 0.26 | 0.02 | -63.40 | 3.08 |
| South-West | Pmic | Plant biomass | 39 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -28.16 | 3.90 |
| South-West | Pmic | Lignin content | 37 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -11.24 | 3.70 |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | 39 | 12 | 9.99 | 3 | 0.02 | 0.24 | 0.03 | -39.02 | 3.25 |
| South-West | glucosidase | CWM leaf P | 48 | 12 | 6.31 | 3 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.13 | -85.80 | 4.00 |
| South-West | glucosidase | CWM MycInt | 48 | 12 | 9.23 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.21 | 0.04 | -59.94 | 4.00 |
| South-West | glucosidase | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -42.10 | 5.00 |
| South-West | glucosidase | Lignin content | 48 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -20.73 | 4.80 |
| South-West | glucosidase | pH | 50 | 12 | 8.72 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.05 | -48.66 | 4.17 |
| South-West | xylosidase | CWM leaf P | 48 | 12 | 6.31 | 3 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.13 | -90.09 | 4.00 |
| South-West | xylosidase | CWM MycInt | 48 | 12 | 9.23 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.21 | 0.04 | -65.13 | 4.00 |
| South-West | xylosidase | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -47.35 | 5.00 |
| South-West | xylosidase | Lignin content | 48 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -27.28 | 4.80 |
| South-West | xylosidase | pH | 50 | 12 | 8.72 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.05 | -61.12 | 4.17 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM leaf P | 45 | 12 | 4.56 | 3 | 0.21 | 0.11 | 0.25 | -96.19 | 3.75 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM MycInt | 45 | 12 | 9.53 | 3 | 0.02 | 0.22 | 0.04 | -67.27 | 3.75 |
| South-West | chitinase | Plant biomass | 47 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -49.85 | 4.70 |
| South-West | chitinase | Lignin content | 45 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -30.85 | 4.50 |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | 47 | 12 | 7.58 | 3 | 0.06 | 0.18 | 0.08 | -54.12 | 3.92 |

Table S6.1 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | ntotal | npar | X ² | df | p | rmsea | rmsea.p | AIC | O2E |
|------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------|------|----------------|----|------|-------|---------|---------|------|
| South-West | urease | CWM leaf P | 48 | 12 | 6.31 | 3 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.13 | -95.58 | 4.00 |
| South-West | urease | CWM MycInt | 48 | 12 | 9.23 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.21 | 0.04 | -77.49 | 4.00 |
| South-West | urease | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -51.71 | 5.00 |
| South-West | urease | Lignin content | 48 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -31.69 | 4.80 |
| South-West | urease | pH | 50 | 12 | 8.72 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.05 | -54.52 | 4.17 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM leaf P | 48 | 12 | 6.31 | 3 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.13 | -106.19 | 4.00 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM MycInt | 48 | 12 | 9.23 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.21 | 0.04 | -79.51 | 4.00 |
| South-West | DEA | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -61.14 | 5.00 |
| South-West | DEA | Lignin content | 48 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -40.52 | 4.80 |
| South-West | DEA | pH | 50 | 12 | 8.72 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.05 | -66.45 | 4.17 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM leaf P | 48 | 12 | 6.31 | 3 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.13 | -83.60 | 4.00 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM MycInt | 48 | 12 | 9.23 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.21 | 0.04 | -65.88 | 4.00 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -46.12 | 5.00 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Lignin content | 48 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -32.41 | 4.80 |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | 50 | 12 | 8.72 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.05 | -88.18 | 4.17 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM leaf P | 48 | 12 | 6.31 | 3 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.13 | -85.92 | 4.00 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM MycInt | 48 | 12 | 9.23 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.21 | 0.04 | -69.58 | 4.00 |
| South-West | bacteria | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -48.27 | 5.00 |
| South-West | bacteria | Lignin content | 48 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -27.34 | 4.80 |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | 50 | 12 | 8.72 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.05 | -56.77 | 4.17 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM leaf P | 48 | 12 | 6.31 | 3 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.13 | -87.28 | 4.00 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM MycInt | 48 | 12 | 9.23 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.21 | 0.04 | -68.65 | 4.00 |
| South-West | fungi | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -48.45 | 5.00 |
| South-West | fungi | Lignin content | 48 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -27.44 | 4.80 |
| South-West | fungi | pH | 50 | 12 | 8.72 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.05 | -52.31 | 4.17 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM leaf P | 48 | 12 | 6.31 | 3 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.13 | -84.02 | 4.00 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM MycInt | 48 | 12 | 9.23 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.21 | 0.04 | -60.38 | 4.00 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -41.75 | 5.00 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin content | 48 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -22.01 | 4.80 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | 50 | 12 | 8.72 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.05 | -49.09 | 4.17 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM leaf P | 48 | 12 | 6.31 | 3 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.13 | -82.95 | 4.00 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM MycInt | 48 | 12 | 9.23 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.21 | 0.04 | -62.80 | 4.00 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -38.99 | 5.00 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Lignin content | 48 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -19.77 | 4.80 |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | 50 | 12 | 8.72 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.05 | -43.20 | 4.17 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 3.44 | 3 | 0.33 | 0.05 | 0.38 | -89.13 | 4.17 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 9.29 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.04 | -38.43 | 4.17 |
| Central | Cmic | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -19.96 | 5.00 |
| Central | Cmic | Lignin content | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -14.50 | 5.00 |
| Central | Cmic | pH | 50 | 12 | 21.62 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.35 | 0.00 | -34.42 | 4.17 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 3.44 | 3 | 0.33 | 0.05 | 0.38 | -107.87 | 4.17 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 9.29 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.04 | -57.19 | 4.17 |
| Central | Nmic | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -37.91 | 5.00 |
| Central | Nmic | Lignin content | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -33.75 | 5.00 |
| Central | Nmic | pH | 50 | 12 | 21.62 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.35 | 0.00 | -51.88 | 4.17 |

Table S6.1 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | ntotal | npar | X ² | df | p | rmsea | rmsea.p | AIC | O2E |
|---------|-----------------|-------------------|--------|------|----------------|----|------|-------|---------|---------|------|
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 3.44 | 3 | 0.33 | 0.05 | 0.38 | -87.70 | 4.17 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 9.29 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.04 | -37.50 | 4.17 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -19.42 | 5.00 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin content | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -13.81 | 5.00 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | 50 | 12 | 21.62 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.35 | 0.00 | -41.14 | 4.17 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM leaf P | 45 | 12 | 6.36 | 3 | 0.10 | 0.16 | 0.13 | -75.18 | 3.75 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM MycInt | 45 | 12 | 9.61 | 3 | 0.02 | 0.22 | 0.03 | -19.27 | 3.75 |
| Central | Pmic | Plant biomass | 45 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -7.63 | 4.50 |
| Central | Pmic | Lignin content | 45 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -3.07 | 4.50 |
| Central | Pmic | pH | 45 | 12 | 20.04 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.36 | 0.00 | -19.06 | 3.75 |
| Central | glucosidase | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 3.44 | 3 | 0.33 | 0.05 | 0.38 | -138.60 | 4.17 |
| Central | glucosidase | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 9.29 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.04 | -72.80 | 4.17 |
| Central | glucosidase | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -55.60 | 5.00 |
| Central | glucosidase | Lignin content | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -47.83 | 5.00 |
| Central | glucosidase | pH | 50 | 12 | 21.62 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.35 | 0.00 | -66.96 | 4.17 |
| Central | xylosidase | CWM leaf P | 48 | 12 | 3.01 | 3 | 0.39 | 0.01 | 0.44 | -127.99 | 4.00 |
| Central | xylosidase | CWM MycInt | 48 | 12 | 7.66 | 3 | 0.05 | 0.18 | 0.08 | -72.95 | 4.00 |
| Central | xylosidase | Plant biomass | 48 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -57.10 | 4.80 |
| Central | xylosidase | Lignin content | 48 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -51.30 | 4.80 |
| Central | xylosidase | pH | 48 | 12 | 21.35 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.36 | 0.00 | -65.43 | 4.00 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 3.44 | 3 | 0.33 | 0.05 | 0.38 | -126.86 | 4.17 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 9.29 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.04 | -67.61 | 4.17 |
| Central | chitinase | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -51.47 | 5.00 |
| Central | chitinase | Lignin content | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -49.09 | 5.00 |
| Central | chitinase | pH | 50 | 12 | 21.62 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.35 | 0.00 | -64.59 | 4.17 |
| Central | urease | CWM leaf P | 45 | 12 | 3.84 | 3 | 0.28 | 0.08 | 0.33 | -72.35 | 3.75 |
| Central | urease | CWM MycInt | 45 | 12 | 12.33 | 3 | 0.01 | 0.26 | 0.01 | -22.51 | 3.75 |
| Central | urease | Plant biomass | 45 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -10.71 | 4.50 |
| Central | urease | Lignin content | 45 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -12.25 | 4.50 |
| Central | urease | pH | 45 | 12 | 18.53 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.34 | 0.00 | -21.60 | 3.75 |
| Central | DEA | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 3.44 | 3 | 0.33 | 0.05 | 0.38 | -125.66 | 4.17 |
| Central | DEA | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 9.29 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.04 | -73.03 | 4.17 |
| Central | DEA | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -68.20 | 5.00 |
| Central | DEA | Lignin content | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -50.68 | 5.00 |
| Central | DEA | pH | 50 | 12 | 21.62 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.35 | 0.00 | -69.63 | 4.17 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 3.44 | 3 | 0.33 | 0.05 | 0.38 | -121.60 | 4.17 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 9.29 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.04 | -67.66 | 4.17 |
| Central | phosphatase | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -52.26 | 5.00 |
| Central | phosphatase | Lignin content | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -46.22 | 5.00 |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | 50 | 12 | 21.62 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.35 | 0.00 | -67.40 | 4.17 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 3.44 | 3 | 0.33 | 0.05 | 0.38 | -92.75 | 4.17 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 9.29 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.04 | -50.43 | 4.17 |
| Central | bacteria | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -32.84 | 5.00 |
| Central | bacteria | Lignin content | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -19.43 | 5.00 |
| Central | bacteria | pH | 50 | 12 | 21.62 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.35 | 0.00 | -40.09 | 4.17 |

Table S6.1 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | ntotal | npar | X ² | df | p | rmsea | rmsea.p | AIC | O2E |
|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------|------|----------------|----|------|-------|---------|---------|------|
| Central | fungi | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 3.44 | 3 | 0.33 | 0.05 | 0.38 | -97.14 | 4.17 |
| Central | fungi | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 9.29 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.04 | -49.11 | 4.17 |
| Central | fungi | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -30.82 | 5.00 |
| Central | fungi | Lignin content | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -23.52 | 5.00 |
| Central | fungi | pH | 50 | 12 | 21.62 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.35 | 0.00 | -44.62 | 4.17 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 3.44 | 3 | 0.33 | 0.05 | 0.38 | -98.91 | 4.17 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 9.29 | 3 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.04 | -48.74 | 4.17 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant biomass | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -30.68 | 5.00 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin content | 50 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -25.76 | 5.00 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | 50 | 12 | 21.62 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.35 | 0.00 | -43.98 | 4.17 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM leaf P | 47 | 12 | 3.53 | 3 | 0.32 | 0.06 | 0.37 | -76.15 | 3.92 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM MycInt | 47 | 12 | 10.12 | 3 | 0.02 | 0.22 | 0.03 | -31.86 | 3.92 |
| Central | ergosterol | Plant biomass | 47 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -16.24 | 4.70 |
| Central | ergosterol | Lignin content | 47 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -13.43 | 4.70 |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | 47 | 12 | 24.77 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.39 | 0.00 | -31.19 | 3.92 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 27.36 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | -54.46 | 4.17 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 29.64 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.42 | 0.00 | -84.56 | 4.17 |
| North-East | Cmic | Plant biomass | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -44.38 | 4.90 |
| North-East | Cmic | Lignin content | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -35.53 | 4.90 |
| North-East | Cmic | pH | 50 | 12 | 11.30 | 3 | 0.01 | 0.24 | 0.02 | -71.18 | 4.17 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 27.36 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | -56.68 | 4.17 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 29.64 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.42 | 0.00 | -82.74 | 4.17 |
| North-East | Nmic | Plant biomass | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -43.18 | 4.90 |
| North-East | Nmic | Lignin content | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -37.43 | 4.90 |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | 50 | 12 | 11.30 | 3 | 0.01 | 0.24 | 0.02 | -74.08 | 4.17 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 27.36 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | -78.91 | 4.17 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 29.64 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.42 | 0.00 | -103.35 | 4.17 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant biomass | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -60.00 | 4.90 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin content | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -57.93 | 4.90 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | 50 | 12 | 11.30 | 3 | 0.01 | 0.24 | 0.02 | -106.48 | 4.17 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM leaf P | 46 | 12 | 24.31 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.39 | 0.00 | -44.22 | 3.83 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM MycInt | 46 | 12 | 28.49 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.43 | 0.00 | -73.97 | 3.83 |
| North-East | Pmic | Plant biomass | 45 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -24.47 | 4.50 |
| North-East | Pmic | Lignin content | 45 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -25.38 | 4.50 |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | 46 | 12 | 10.01 | 3 | 0.02 | 0.23 | 0.03 | -49.69 | 3.83 |
| North-East | glucosidase | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 27.36 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | -51.42 | 4.17 |
| North-East | glucosidase | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 29.64 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.42 | 0.00 | -81.07 | 4.17 |
| North-East | glucosidase | Plant biomass | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -32.03 | 4.90 |
| North-East | glucosidase | Lignin content | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -32.96 | 4.90 |
| North-East | glucosidase | pH | 50 | 12 | 11.30 | 3 | 0.01 | 0.24 | 0.02 | -82.23 | 4.17 |
| North-East | xylosidase | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 27.36 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | -59.46 | 4.17 |
| North-East | xylosidase | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 29.64 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.42 | 0.00 | -89.46 | 4.17 |
| North-East | xylosidase | Plant biomass | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -39.67 | 4.90 |
| North-East | xylosidase | Lignin content | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -40.48 | 4.90 |
| North-East | xylosidase | pH | 50 | 12 | 11.30 | 3 | 0.01 | 0.24 | 0.02 | -80.28 | 4.17 |

Table S6.1 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | ntotal | npar | X ² | df | p | rmsea | rmsea.p | AIC | O2E |
|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------|------|----------------|----|------|-------|---------|---------|------|
| North-East | chitinase | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 27.36 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | -66.37 | 4.17 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 29.64 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.42 | 0.00 | -91.19 | 4.17 |
| North-East | chitinase | Plant biomass | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -44.14 | 4.90 |
| North-East | chitinase | Lignin content | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -44.90 | 4.90 |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | 50 | 12 | 11.30 | 3 | 0.01 | 0.24 | 0.02 | -82.26 | 4.17 |
| North-East | urease | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 27.36 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | -66.09 | 4.17 |
| North-East | urease | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 29.64 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.42 | 0.00 | -94.64 | 4.17 |
| North-East | urease | Plant biomass | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -45.81 | 4.90 |
| North-East | urease | Lignin content | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -46.62 | 4.90 |
| North-East | urease | pH | 50 | 12 | 11.30 | 3 | 0.01 | 0.24 | 0.02 | -101.17 | 4.17 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 27.36 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | -45.36 | 4.17 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 29.64 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.42 | 0.00 | -75.05 | 4.17 |
| North-East | DEA | Plant biomass | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -22.60 | 4.90 |
| North-East | DEA | Lignin content | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -23.22 | 4.90 |
| North-East | DEA | pH | 50 | 12 | 11.30 | 3 | 0.01 | 0.24 | 0.02 | -79.56 | 4.17 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 27.36 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | -103.75 | 4.17 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 29.64 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.42 | 0.00 | -124.61 | 4.17 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Plant biomass | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -77.17 | 4.90 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Lignin content | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -77.95 | 4.90 |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | 50 | 12 | 11.30 | 3 | 0.01 | 0.24 | 0.02 | -117.55 | 4.17 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 27.36 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | -68.04 | 4.17 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 29.64 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.42 | 0.00 | -99.86 | 4.17 |
| North-East | bacteria | Plant biomass | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -48.55 | 4.90 |
| North-East | bacteria | Lignin content | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -46.73 | 4.90 |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | 50 | 12 | 11.30 | 3 | 0.01 | 0.24 | 0.02 | -79.94 | 4.17 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 27.36 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | -77.01 | 4.17 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 29.64 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.42 | 0.00 | -109.60 | 4.17 |
| North-East | fungi | Plant biomass | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -57.28 | 4.90 |
| North-East | fungi | Lignin content | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -57.83 | 4.90 |
| North-East | fungi | pH | 50 | 12 | 11.30 | 3 | 0.01 | 0.24 | 0.02 | -91.74 | 4.17 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 27.36 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | -76.56 | 4.17 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 29.64 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.42 | 0.00 | -100.54 | 4.17 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant biomass | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -59.57 | 4.90 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin content | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -60.89 | 4.90 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | 50 | 12 | 11.30 | 3 | 0.01 | 0.24 | 0.02 | -89.50 | 4.17 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM leaf P | 50 | 12 | 27.36 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | -95.11 | 4.17 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM MycInt | 50 | 12 | 29.64 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.42 | 0.00 | -119.49 | 4.17 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Plant biomass | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -79.02 | 4.90 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Lignin content | 49 | 10 | 0.00 | 0 | NA | 0.00 | NA | -74.93 | 4.90 |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | 50 | 12 | 11.30 | 3 | 0.01 | 0.24 | 0.02 | -121.36 | 4.17 |

Table S6.2: Estimates of SEMs in Schwäbische Alb (South-West), Hainich-Dün (Central) and Schorfheide-Chorin (North-East). Given are the unstandardized regression coefficients (est) with their standard error (se), z-value (z) and respective p-value (p), as well as the standardized correlation coefficients (est.std) with their standard error (se.std), z-value (z.std) and p-value (p.std) for each microbial variable (MO variable) and the five selected mediator variables (mediator). The single model paths are described by lhs = left hand side, op = operator, rhs = right hand side and if applicable the respective label of the path.

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | p | est.std | se.std | z.std | p.std |
|------------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 1.04 | 0.14 | 7.23 | 0.000 | 0.72 | 0.07 | 10.44 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.57 | 0.570 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.57 | 0.569 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | Cmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.18 | 0.854 | 0.04 | 0.20 | 0.18 | 0.854 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | Cmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.35 | 0.16 | 2.20 | 0.028 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.29 | 0.022 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | Cmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.12 | 0.22 | 0.54 | 0.592 | 0.11 | 0.20 | 0.54 | 0.591 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | Cmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.12 | 0.13 | -0.95 | 0.341 | -0.13 | 0.14 | -0.96 | 0.337 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.48 | 0.10 | 4.80 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 42.42 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | Cmic | ~ | Cmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.88 | 0.09 | 10.04 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.03 | 0.16 | 0.18 | 0.855 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.18 | 0.855 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.55 | 0.583 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.55 | 0.583 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.15 | 0.15 | 0.96 | 0.336 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.97 | 0.333 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.10 | 0.13 | -0.74 | 0.458 | -0.11 | 0.14 | -0.75 | 0.456 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.15 | 0.15 | 0.97 | 0.335 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 1.06 | 0.289 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.10 | 0.13 | -0.75 | 0.455 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.85 | 0.394 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.38 | 0.18 | 2.09 | 0.037 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.18 | 0.029 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.24 | 0.11 | 2.18 | 0.029 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.29 | 0.022 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | Cmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.04 | 0.12 | 0.30 | 0.761 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.30 | 0.761 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | Cmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.39 | 0.17 | 2.37 | 0.018 | 0.33 | 0.13 | 2.49 | 0.013 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | Cmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.21 | 0.16 | 1.34 | 0.180 | 0.19 | 0.14 | 1.36 | 0.174 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | Cmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.18 | 0.13 | -1.37 | 0.170 | -0.19 | 0.14 | -1.39 | 0.164 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.08 | 12.02 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.52 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | Cmic | ~ | Cmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.85 | 0.09 | 8.96 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.30 | 0.764 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.30 | 0.764 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.09 | 0.06 | 1.61 | 0.108 | 0.10 | 0.06 | 1.63 | 0.104 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.23 | 0.15 | 1.49 | 0.137 | 0.20 | 0.13 | 1.52 | 0.130 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.09 | 0.13 | -0.66 | 0.510 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.66 | 0.508 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.23 | 0.15 | 1.49 | 0.136 | 0.21 | 0.13 | 1.60 | 0.109 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.09 | 0.13 | -0.67 | 0.504 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.82 | 0.415 |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.17 | 0.244 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.18 | 0.238 |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.04 | 0.13 | -0.29 | 0.771 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.29 | 0.771 |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Cmic | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.39 | 0.12 | 3.14 | 0.002 | 0.40 | 0.12 | 3.41 | 0.001 |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Cmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.14 | 0.15 | 0.95 | 0.344 | 0.12 | 0.13 | 0.95 | 0.341 |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Cmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.10 | 0.11 | -0.88 | 0.378 | -0.11 | 0.13 | -0.89 | 0.376 |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 20.22 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Cmic | ~ | Cmic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.79 | 0.10 | 7.65 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.07 | 0.07 | 1.09 | 0.274 | 0.07 | 0.06 | 1.11 | 0.266 |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | -0.02 | 0.05 | -0.29 | 0.772 | -0.02 | 0.06 | -0.29 | 0.771 |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.21 | 0.16 | 1.35 | 0.177 | 0.19 | 0.14 | 1.37 | 0.170 |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.11 | 0.12 | -0.92 | 0.355 | -0.13 | 0.14 | -0.93 | 0.352 |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.21 | 0.16 | 1.36 | 0.175 | 0.21 | 0.14 | 1.52 | 0.128 |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.12 | 0.12 | -0.94 | 0.349 | -0.16 | 0.14 | -1.13 | 0.259 |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 0.895 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 0.895 |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.589 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.588 |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin_content | Cmic | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.11 | 0.12 | 0.90 | 0.368 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.91 | 0.364 |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin_content | Cmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.21 | 0.16 | 1.33 | 0.183 | 0.19 | 0.14 | 1.35 | 0.176 |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin_content | Cmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.12 | 0.12 | -0.96 | 0.338 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.97 | 0.334 |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.95 | 0.342 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.98 | 0.329 |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 44.29 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin_content | Cmic | ~ | Cmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 12.77 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.897 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.897 |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.46 | 0.643 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.46 | 0.643 |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.21 | 0.16 | 1.34 | 0.181 | 0.19 | 0.14 | 1.36 | 0.173 |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.11 | 0.13 | -0.88 | 0.377 | -0.13 | 0.14 | -0.89 | 0.373 |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.22 | 0.16 | 1.34 | 0.179 | 0.21 | 0.14 | 1.49 | 0.135 |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change tc | -0.11 | 0.13 | -0.90 | 0.371 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.284 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|---------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| South-West | Cmic | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.13 | 0.19 | -0.67 | 0.505 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.67 | 0.504 |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.08 | 0.933 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.08 | 0.933 |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | Cmic | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.01 | 0.11 | 0.09 | 0.926 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.09 | 0.926 |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | Cmic | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.28 | 0.14 | 2.01 | 0.044 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 2.08 | 0.038 |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | Cmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.66 | 0.097 | 0.22 | 0.13 | 1.70 | 0.090 |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | Cmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.10 | 0.12 | -0.87 | 0.387 | -0.12 | 0.13 | -0.87 | 0.384 |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | pH_historic | ~~ | pH_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 37.71 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | pH_change | ~~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 298.93 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | Cmic | ~~ | Cmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.86 | 0.09 | 9.58 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.09 | 0.927 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.09 | 0.927 |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.03 | -0.08 | 0.933 | 0.00 | 0.04 | -0.08 | 0.933 |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.66 | 0.097 | 0.22 | 0.13 | 1.69 | 0.090 |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.11 | 0.12 | -0.86 | 0.392 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.86 | 0.389 |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.66 | 0.096 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.84 | 0.065 |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.11 | 0.12 | -0.87 | 0.385 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.09 | 0.277 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 1.04 | 0.14 | 7.23 | 0.000 | 0.72 | 0.07 | 10.44 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.57 | 0.570 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.57 | 0.569 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | Nmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.00 | 0.14 | -0.01 | 0.989 | 0.00 | 0.19 | -0.01 | 0.989 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | Nmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.31 | 0.15 | 2.10 | 0.036 | 0.28 | 0.13 | 2.18 | 0.029 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.21 | 0.20 | 1.04 | 0.299 | 0.20 | 0.19 | 1.05 | 0.295 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.13 | 0.12 | -1.10 | 0.270 | -0.15 | 0.13 | -1.11 | 0.265 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.48 | 0.10 | 4.80 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 42.42 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | Nmic | ~~ | Nmic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.86 | 0.09 | 9.35 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.15 | -0.01 | 0.989 | 0.00 | 0.14 | -0.01 | 0.989 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.55 | 0.584 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.55 | 0.584 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.21 | 0.14 | 1.48 | 0.139 | 0.20 | 0.13 | 1.51 | 0.132 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.11 | 0.12 | -0.90 | 0.370 | -0.13 | 0.14 | -0.90 | 0.366 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.21 | 0.14 | 1.49 | 0.137 | 0.21 | 0.13 | 1.62 | 0.105 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.11 | 0.12 | -0.91 | 0.365 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.06 | 0.290 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.38 | 0.18 | 2.09 | 0.037 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.18 | 0.029 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.24 | 0.11 | 2.18 | 0.029 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.29 | 0.022 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | Nmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | -0.02 | 0.11 | -0.19 | 0.853 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.19 | 0.853 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | Nmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.32 | 0.15 | 2.09 | 0.037 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.16 | 0.031 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.28 | 0.15 | 1.95 | 0.052 | 0.27 | 0.13 | 2.01 | 0.045 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.18 | 0.12 | -1.46 | 0.145 | -0.20 | 0.14 | -1.48 | 0.139 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.08 | 12.02 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.52 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | Nmic | ~~ | Nmic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.83 | 0.10 | 8.65 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.18 | 0.854 | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.18 | 0.854 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.08 | 0.05 | 1.51 | 0.131 | 0.09 | 0.06 | 1.53 | 0.127 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.28 | 0.14 | 1.97 | 0.048 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 2.04 | 0.042 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.10 | 0.12 | -0.83 | 0.404 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.84 | 0.401 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.28 | 0.14 | 1.98 | 0.048 | 0.28 | 0.13 | 2.15 | 0.032 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.10 | 0.12 | -0.85 | 0.398 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.03 | 0.302 |
| South-West | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.17 | 0.244 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.18 | 0.238 |
| South-West | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.04 | 0.13 | -0.29 | 0.771 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.29 | 0.771 |
| South-West | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Nmic | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.33 | 0.12 | 2.86 | 0.004 | 0.37 | 0.12 | 3.05 | 0.002 |
| South-West | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.19 | 0.14 | 1.39 | 0.164 | 0.18 | 0.13 | 1.41 | 0.159 |
| South-West | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.08 | 0.11 | -0.78 | 0.439 | -0.10 | 0.13 | -0.78 | 0.437 |
| South-West | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 20.22 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Nmic | ~~ | Nmic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.79 | 0.10 | 7.76 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.06 | 0.06 | 1.08 | 0.280 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 1.10 | 0.271 |
| South-West | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.29 | 0.772 | -0.02 | 0.05 | -0.29 | 0.772 |
| South-West | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.25 | 0.14 | 1.75 | 0.081 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.80 | 0.073 |
| South-West | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.09 | 0.11 | -0.83 | 0.408 | -0.11 | 0.14 | -0.83 | 0.405 |
| South-West | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.25 | 0.14 | 1.75 | 0.080 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 1.94 | 0.052 |
| South-West | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.10 | 0.11 | -0.84 | 0.399 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.08 | 0.281 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| South-West | Nmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 0.895 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 0.895 |
| South-West | Nmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.589 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.588 |
| South-West | Nmic | Lignin_content | Nmic | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.09 | 0.11 | 0.79 | 0.432 | 0.11 | 0.14 | 0.79 | 0.429 |
| South-West | Nmic | Lignin_content | Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.24 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.099 | 0.23 | 0.14 | 1.70 | 0.090 |
| South-West | Nmic | Lignin_content | Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.10 | 0.11 | -0.83 | 0.406 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.84 | 0.403 |
| South-West | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.95 | 0.342 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.98 | 0.329 |
| South-West | Nmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 44.29 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Nmic | Lignin_content | Nmic | ~ | Nmic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.08 | 11.93 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.897 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.897 |
| South-West | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.45 | 0.656 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.45 | 0.656 |
| South-West | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.24 | 0.15 | 1.66 | 0.099 | 0.23 | 0.14 | 1.70 | 0.089 |
| South-West | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.09 | 0.11 | -0.77 | 0.443 | -0.11 | 0.14 | -0.77 | 0.440 |
| South-West | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.24 | 0.15 | 1.66 | 0.097 | 0.25 | 0.14 | 1.83 | 0.068 |
| South-West | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.09 | 0.11 | -0.78 | 0.435 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.99 | 0.323 |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.13 | 0.19 | -0.67 | 0.505 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.67 | 0.504 |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.08 | 0.933 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.08 | 0.933 |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | Nmic | ~ | pH_historic | c | -0.05 | 0.10 | -0.48 | 0.633 | -0.06 | 0.13 | -0.48 | 0.633 |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | Nmic | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.26 | 0.13 | 2.02 | 0.044 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 2.08 | 0.038 |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.28 | 0.14 | 1.99 | 0.046 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 2.05 | 0.040 |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.11 | 0.11 | -0.98 | 0.327 | -0.13 | 0.13 | -0.99 | 0.324 |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 37.71 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 298.94 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | Nmic | ~ | Nmic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.83 | 0.10 | 8.72 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.39 | 0.698 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.39 | 0.698 |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.03 | -0.08 | 0.933 | 0.00 | 0.04 | -0.08 | 0.933 |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.28 | 0.14 | 2.04 | 0.041 | 0.27 | 0.13 | 2.11 | 0.035 |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.11 | 0.11 | -0.97 | 0.334 | -0.13 | 0.13 | -0.97 | 0.330 |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.28 | 0.14 | 2.05 | 0.041 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.28 | 0.023 |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.11 | 0.11 | -0.98 | 0.326 | -0.17 | 0.14 | -1.24 | 0.215 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 1.04 | 0.14 | 7.23 | 0.000 | 0.72 | 0.07 | 10.44 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.57 | 0.570 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.57 | 0.569 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.07 | 0.18 | 0.40 | 0.691 | 0.08 | 0.20 | 0.40 | 0.690 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | -0.17 | 0.19 | -0.93 | 0.353 | -0.13 | 0.14 | -0.94 | 0.349 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.34 | 0.25 | -1.33 | 0.185 | -0.27 | 0.20 | -1.35 | 0.177 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.01 | 0.15 | -0.06 | 0.951 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.06 | 0.951 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.48 | 0.10 | 4.80 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 42.42 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | RatioCmic_Nmic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 13.81 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.07 | 0.18 | 0.40 | 0.691 | 0.06 | 0.15 | 0.40 | 0.691 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.48 | 0.628 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.49 | 0.627 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.26 | 0.18 | -1.50 | 0.135 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.53 | 0.127 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.02 | 0.15 | -0.14 | 0.892 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.14 | 0.892 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.26 | 0.18 | -1.50 | 0.135 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.52 | 0.128 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.02 | 0.15 | -0.13 | 0.899 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.04 | 0.972 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.38 | 0.18 | 2.09 | 0.037 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.18 | 0.029 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.24 | 0.11 | 2.18 | 0.029 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.29 | 0.022 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.10 | 0.14 | 0.74 | 0.460 | 0.11 | 0.14 | 0.74 | 0.458 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.17 | 0.19 | -0.90 | 0.371 | -0.13 | 0.14 | -0.90 | 0.367 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.34 | 0.18 | -1.86 | 0.063 | -0.27 | 0.14 | -1.92 | 0.055 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.16 | 0.875 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.16 | 0.875 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.08 | 12.02 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.52 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | RatioCmic_Nmic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.08 | 12.15 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.04 | 0.06 | 0.70 | 0.486 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.70 | 0.485 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.04 | 0.05 | -0.83 | 0.407 | -0.04 | 0.05 | -0.83 | 0.405 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.30 | 0.18 | -1.71 | 0.088 | -0.24 | 0.14 | -1.76 | 0.079 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.02 | 0.15 | -0.11 | 0.909 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.11 | 0.909 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.30 | 0.18 | -1.71 | 0.088 | -0.24 | 0.14 | -1.76 | 0.079 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.02 | 0.15 | -0.10 | 0.917 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.08 | 0.936 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.17 | 0.244 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.18 | 0.238 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.04 | 0.13 | -0.29 | 0.771 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.29 | 0.771 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | -0.24 | 0.15 | -1.62 | 0.106 | -0.22 | 0.13 | -1.65 | 0.098 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.22 | 0.18 | -1.26 | 0.208 | -0.17 | 0.14 | -1.28 | 0.202 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.50 | 0.621 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.50 | 0.620 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 20.22 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | RatioCmic_Nmic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.70 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.05 | 0.05 | -0.95 | 0.345 | -0.04 | 0.04 | -0.96 | 0.338 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.29 | 0.775 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.29 | 0.775 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.27 | 0.18 | -1.50 | 0.133 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.54 | 0.125 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.42 | 0.676 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.42 | 0.676 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.27 | 0.18 | -1.50 | 0.133 | -0.20 | 0.14 | -1.49 | 0.138 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.41 | 0.685 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.19 | 0.846 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 0.895 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 0.895 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.589 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.588 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | Lignin_content | c | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.08 | 0.935 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.08 | 0.935 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.24 | 0.18 | -1.32 | 0.185 | -0.19 | 0.14 | -1.35 | 0.178 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.51 | 0.609 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.51 | 0.608 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.95 | 0.342 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.98 | 0.329 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 44.29 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | RatioCmic_Nmic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.96 | 0.05 | 17.84 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.00 | -0.07 | 0.945 | 0.00 | 0.00 | -0.07 | 0.945 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.08 | 0.936 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.08 | 0.936 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.24 | 0.18 | -1.33 | 0.185 | -0.19 | 0.14 | -1.35 | 0.177 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.52 | 0.603 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.52 | 0.603 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.24 | 0.18 | -1.32 | 0.185 | -0.18 | 0.14 | -1.28 | 0.199 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.51 | 0.610 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.33 | 0.739 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.13 | 0.19 | -0.67 | 0.505 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.67 | 0.504 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.08 | 0.933 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.08 | 0.933 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.21 | 0.13 | 1.65 | 0.099 | 0.22 | 0.13 | 1.69 | 0.091 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | pH_change | d | -0.20 | 0.16 | -1.24 | 0.216 | -0.16 | 0.13 | -1.25 | 0.211 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.25 | 0.17 | -1.47 | 0.142 | -0.20 | 0.13 | -1.50 | 0.135 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.890 | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.890 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 37.71 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 298.93 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | RatioCmic_Nmic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.88 | 0.09 | 10.15 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.03 | 0.04 | -0.62 | 0.537 | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.62 | 0.534 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.08 | 0.933 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.08 | 0.933 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.28 | 0.18 | -1.59 | 0.112 | -0.22 | 0.13 | -1.63 | 0.104 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.15 | 0.880 | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.15 | 0.880 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.28 | 0.18 | -1.59 | 0.112 | -0.22 | 0.13 | -1.67 | 0.096 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.16 | 0.870 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.38 | 0.702 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 1.01 | 0.15 | 6.72 | 0.000 | 0.74 | 0.07 | 10.00 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.12 | 0.12 | 1.02 | 0.308 | 0.17 | 0.16 | 1.03 | 0.301 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | Pmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.00 | 0.16 | 0.00 | 0.999 | 0.00 | 0.21 | 0.00 | 0.999 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | Pmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | -0.08 | 0.17 | -0.47 | 0.641 | -0.07 | 0.15 | -0.47 | 0.640 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | Pmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.49 | 0.21 | 2.29 | 0.022 | 0.49 | 0.20 | 2.42 | 0.015 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | Pmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.07 | 0.12 | 0.56 | 0.575 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.56 | 0.575 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.38 | 0.701 | -0.06 | 0.16 | -0.39 | 0.699 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.30 | 0.000 | 0.45 | 0.11 | 4.10 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.30 | 0.000 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 18.40 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | Pmic | ~ | Pmic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.30 | 0.000 | 0.76 | 0.12 | 6.18 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.30 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.30 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.16 | 0.00 | 0.999 | 0.00 | 0.16 | 0.00 | 0.999 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.42 | 0.671 | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.43 | 0.671 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.49 | 0.14 | 3.41 | 0.001 | 0.49 | 0.13 | 3.89 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.06 | 0.12 | 0.49 | 0.625 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.49 | 0.625 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.49 | 0.14 | 3.41 | 0.001 | 0.48 | 0.13 | 3.85 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.06 | 0.12 | 0.48 | 0.634 | 0.04 | 0.16 | 0.24 | 0.810 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.28 | 0.19 | 1.50 | 0.134 | 0.24 | 0.16 | 1.55 | 0.122 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.18 | 0.11 | 1.67 | 0.095 | 0.27 | 0.15 | 1.73 | 0.083 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | Pmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.01 | 0.12 | 0.06 | 0.950 | 0.01 | 0.15 | 0.06 | 0.950 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | Pmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.22 | 0.18 | 1.22 | 0.224 | 0.18 | 0.15 | 1.23 | 0.219 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | Pmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.46 | 0.15 | 3.17 | 0.002 | 0.47 | 0.13 | 3.53 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | Pmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.02 | 0.12 | 0.15 | 0.885 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.15 | 0.885 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.38 | 0.701 | -0.06 | 0.16 | -0.39 | 0.699 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.30 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 12.70 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 4.30 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.08 | 11.48 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | Pmic | ~ | Pmic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.30 | 0.000 | 0.75 | 0.12 | 6.17 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.30 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.30 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.04 | 0.06 | 0.950 | 0.00 | 0.04 | 0.06 | 0.950 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.98 | 0.325 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.99 | 0.322 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.46 | 0.14 | 3.28 | 0.001 | 0.47 | 0.13 | 3.69 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.06 | 0.12 | 0.47 | 0.635 | 0.07 | 0.15 | 0.48 | 0.635 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.46 | 0.14 | 3.28 | 0.001 | 0.46 | 0.13 | 3.64 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.06 | 0.12 | 0.46 | 0.643 | 0.04 | 0.16 | 0.24 | 0.810 |
| South-West | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.29 | 0.17 | 1.69 | 0.091 | 0.26 | 0.15 | 1.75 | 0.080 |
| South-West | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.19 | 0.852 | -0.03 | 0.16 | -0.19 | 0.852 |
| South-West | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Pmic | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.21 | 0.15 | 1.44 | 0.151 | 0.21 | 0.14 | 1.46 | 0.145 |
| South-West | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Pmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.47 | 0.17 | 2.85 | 0.004 | 0.41 | 0.13 | 3.08 | 0.002 |
| South-West | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Pmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.06 | 0.13 | -0.46 | 0.645 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.46 | 0.645 |
| South-West | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.68 | 0.499 | -0.11 | 0.16 | -0.69 | 0.492 |
| South-West | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.42 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.08 | 11.70 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Pmic | ~ | Pmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.42 | 0.000 | 0.74 | 0.12 | 6.08 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.42 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.42 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.06 | 0.06 | 1.09 | 0.274 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 1.12 | 0.264 |
| South-West | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.19 | 0.853 | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.19 | 0.853 |
| South-West | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.54 | 0.17 | 3.26 | 0.001 | 0.46 | 0.13 | 3.66 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.06 | 0.13 | -0.49 | 0.623 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.49 | 0.623 |
| South-West | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.54 | 0.17 | 3.26 | 0.001 | 0.47 | 0.13 | 3.76 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.07 | 0.13 | -0.51 | 0.609 | -0.12 | 0.16 | -0.76 | 0.447 |
| South-West | Pmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.08 | 0.20 | -0.38 | 0.701 | -0.06 | 0.16 | -0.39 | 0.700 |
| South-West | Pmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.17 | 0.16 | 1.09 | 0.277 | 0.18 | 0.16 | 1.10 | 0.270 |
| South-West | Pmic | Lignin_content | Pmic | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.31 | 0.757 | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.31 | 0.757 |
| South-West | Pmic | Lignin_content | Pmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.50 | 0.17 | 3.04 | 0.002 | 0.45 | 0.13 | 3.39 | 0.001 |
| South-West | Pmic | Lignin_content | Pmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.06 | 0.13 | -0.45 | 0.653 | -0.07 | 0.15 | -0.45 | 0.653 |
| South-West | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.59 | 0.553 | -0.10 | 0.16 | -0.60 | 0.548 |
| South-West | Pmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.30 | 0.000 | 0.96 | 0.06 | 15.79 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | Lignin_content | Pmic | ~ | Pmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.30 | 0.000 | 0.79 | 0.12 | 6.66 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.30 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.30 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.24 | 0.810 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.24 | 0.810 |
| South-West | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.30 | 0.766 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.30 | 0.766 |
| South-West | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.50 | 0.17 | 3.02 | 0.003 | 0.45 | 0.13 | 3.37 | 0.001 |
| South-West | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.05 | 0.13 | -0.40 | 0.689 | -0.06 | 0.15 | -0.40 | 0.688 |
| South-West | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.50 | 0.17 | 3.02 | 0.003 | 0.45 | 0.13 | 3.44 | 0.001 |
| South-West | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.06 | 0.13 | -0.42 | 0.675 | -0.10 | 0.16 | -0.63 | 0.529 |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.26 | 0.21 | -1.25 | 0.213 | -0.20 | 0.15 | -1.27 | 0.204 |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.08 | 0.11 | 0.70 | 0.484 | 0.11 | 0.16 | 0.70 | 0.481 |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | Pmic | ~ | pH_historic | c | -0.11 | 0.13 | -0.90 | 0.370 | -0.13 | 0.14 | -0.90 | 0.367 |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | Pmic | ~ | pH_change | d | -0.02 | 0.19 | -0.08 | 0.939 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.08 | 0.939 |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | Pmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.50 | 0.17 | 2.99 | 0.003 | 0.43 | 0.13 | 3.28 | 0.001 |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | Pmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.11 | 0.13 | -0.85 | 0.394 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.86 | 0.392 |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.68 | 0.499 | -0.11 | 0.16 | -0.69 | 0.492 |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.42 | 0.000 | 0.96 | 0.06 | 15.97 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.42 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.04 | 28.04 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | Pmic | ~ | Pmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.42 | 0.000 | 0.75 | 0.12 | 6.30 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.42 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.42 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.73 | 0.467 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.74 | 0.463 |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.08 | 0.939 | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.08 | 0.939 |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.53 | 0.17 | 3.19 | 0.001 | 0.45 | 0.13 | 3.57 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.11 | 0.13 | -0.87 | 0.387 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.87 | 0.384 |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.53 | 0.17 | 3.20 | 0.001 | 0.47 | 0.13 | 3.70 | 0.000 |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.12 | 0.13 | -0.89 | 0.375 | -0.17 | 0.15 | -1.10 | 0.270 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|------------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 1.04 | 0.14 | 7.23 | 0.000 | 0.72 | 0.07 | 10.44 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.57 | 0.570 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.57 | 0.569 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Glucosidase | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.42 | 0.15 | 2.71 | 0.007 | 0.48 | 0.17 | 2.84 | 0.005 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Glucosidase | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.33 | 0.16 | 2.04 | 0.042 | 0.25 | 0.12 | 2.08 | 0.038 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.16 | 0.22 | -0.73 | 0.466 | -0.13 | 0.18 | -0.73 | 0.465 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.24 | 0.025 | -0.27 | 0.12 | -2.30 | 0.021 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.48 | 0.10 | 4.80 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 42.42 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Glucosidase | ~~ | Glucosidase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.71 | 0.11 | 6.59 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.43 | 0.17 | 2.54 | 0.011 | 0.34 | 0.13 | 2.65 | 0.008 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.55 | 0.585 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.55 | 0.586 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.27 | 0.17 | 1.64 | 0.102 | 0.22 | 0.13 | 1.67 | 0.095 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.26 | 0.13 | -2.00 | 0.046 | -0.25 | 0.12 | -2.05 | 0.040 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.27 | 0.17 | 1.65 | 0.100 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.86 | 0.063 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.27 | 0.13 | -2.01 | 0.045 | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.22 | 0.026 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.38 | 0.18 | 2.09 | 0.037 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.18 | 0.029 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.24 | 0.11 | 2.18 | 0.029 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.29 | 0.022 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Glucosidase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.11 | 0.13 | 0.79 | 0.427 | 0.11 | 0.14 | 0.80 | 0.425 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Glucosidase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.07 | 0.18 | -0.38 | 0.706 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.38 | 0.706 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.29 | 0.18 | 1.67 | 0.095 | 0.24 | 0.14 | 1.71 | 0.087 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.16 | 0.14 | -1.08 | 0.279 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.09 | 0.274 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.08 | 12.02 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.52 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Glucosidase | ~~ | Glucosidase | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.87 | 0.09 | 9.78 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.74 | 0.458 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.75 | 0.455 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.02 | 0.04 | -0.37 | 0.710 | -0.02 | 0.04 | -0.37 | 0.710 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.33 | 0.17 | 1.97 | 0.049 | 0.27 | 0.13 | 2.04 | 0.041 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.17 | 0.14 | -1.25 | 0.211 | -0.17 | 0.13 | -1.27 | 0.205 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.33 | 0.17 | 1.97 | 0.048 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.19 | 0.029 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.17 | 0.14 | -1.26 | 0.207 | -0.20 | 0.14 | -1.46 | 0.144 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.17 | 0.244 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.18 | 0.238 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.04 | 0.13 | -0.29 | 0.771 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.29 | 0.771 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Glucosidase | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.25 | 0.14 | 1.73 | 0.083 | 0.23 | 0.13 | 1.77 | 0.077 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.30 | 0.17 | 1.83 | 0.068 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.87 | 0.061 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.17 | 0.13 | -1.30 | 0.192 | -0.17 | 0.13 | -1.32 | 0.187 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 20.22 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Glucosidase | ~~ | Glucosidase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.83 | 0.10 | 8.49 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.97 | 0.334 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.98 | 0.327 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.29 | 0.774 | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.29 | 0.774 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.35 | 0.17 | 2.07 | 0.038 | 0.28 | 0.13 | 2.15 | 0.031 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.18 | 0.13 | -1.34 | 0.181 | -0.18 | 0.13 | -1.36 | 0.175 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.35 | 0.17 | 2.08 | 0.037 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.37 | 0.018 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.18 | 0.13 | -1.36 | 0.175 | -0.22 | 0.14 | -1.63 | 0.102 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 0.895 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 0.895 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.589 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.588 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Glucosidase | ~ | Lignin_content | c | -0.04 | 0.13 | -0.34 | 0.734 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.34 | 0.734 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.34 | 0.17 | 2.03 | 0.043 | 0.28 | 0.13 | 2.10 | 0.035 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.16 | 0.13 | -1.24 | 0.216 | -0.17 | 0.14 | -1.25 | 0.210 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.95 | 0.342 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.98 | 0.329 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~~ | Lignin_content | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 44.29 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Glucosidase | ~~ | Glucosidase | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.88 | 0.09 | 9.94 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.12 | 0.902 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.12 | 0.903 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.29 | 0.774 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.29 | 0.774 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.34 | 0.17 | 2.02 | 0.044 | 0.28 | 0.13 | 2.10 | 0.036 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.17 | 0.13 | -1.27 | 0.206 | -0.17 | 0.14 | -1.28 | 0.200 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.34 | 0.17 | 2.03 | 0.043 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.28 | 0.022 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.17 | 0.13 | -1.28 | 0.200 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.53 | 0.126 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|------------------|---------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.13 | 0.19 | -0.67 | 0.505 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.67 | 0.504 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.08 | 0.933 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.08 | 0.933 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | Glucosidase | ~ | pH_historic | c | -0.27 | 0.12 | -2.25 | 0.025 | -0.27 | 0.12 | -2.31 | 0.021 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | Glucosidase | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.20 | 0.15 | 1.33 | 0.183 | 0.16 | 0.12 | 1.34 | 0.179 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.32 | 0.16 | 2.03 | 0.042 | 0.25 | 0.12 | 2.08 | 0.037 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.22 | 0.027 | -0.27 | 0.12 | -2.28 | 0.023 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | pH_historic | ~~ | pH_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 37.71 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | pH_change | ~~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 298.93 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | Glucosidase | ~~ | Glucosidase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.73 | 0.11 | 6.91 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.03 | 0.05 | 0.64 | 0.523 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.65 | 0.519 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.08 | 0.933 | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.08 | 0.933 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.36 | 0.17 | 2.15 | 0.032 | 0.28 | 0.12 | 2.23 | 0.026 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.19 | 0.028 | -0.27 | 0.12 | -2.26 | 0.024 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.36 | 0.17 | 2.16 | 0.031 | 0.32 | 0.13 | 2.51 | 0.012 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.21 | 0.027 | -0.31 | 0.12 | -2.55 | 0.011 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 1.04 | 0.14 | 7.23 | 0.000 | 0.72 | 0.07 | 10.44 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.57 | 0.570 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.57 | 0.569 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Xylosidase | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.42 | 0.15 | 2.87 | 0.004 | 0.51 | 0.17 | 3.04 | 0.002 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Xylosidase | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.13 | 0.16 | 0.85 | 0.398 | 0.10 | 0.12 | 0.85 | 0.396 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.17 | 0.21 | -0.77 | 0.439 | -0.14 | 0.18 | -0.78 | 0.437 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.29 | 0.12 | -2.37 | 0.018 | -0.29 | 0.12 | -2.45 | 0.014 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.48 | 0.10 | 4.80 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 42.42 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Xylosidase | ~~ | Xylosidase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.72 | 0.11 | 6.66 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.44 | 0.17 | 2.67 | 0.008 | 0.37 | 0.13 | 2.82 | 0.005 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.47 | 0.637 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.47 | 0.638 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.28 | 0.16 | 1.72 | 0.086 | 0.23 | 0.13 | 1.76 | 0.078 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.28 | 0.12 | -2.29 | 0.022 | -0.28 | 0.12 | -2.37 | 0.018 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.28 | 0.16 | 1.73 | 0.084 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 1.96 | 0.050 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.28 | 0.12 | -2.31 | 0.021 | -0.31 | 0.12 | -2.55 | 0.011 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.38 | 0.18 | 2.09 | 0.037 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.18 | 0.029 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.24 | 0.11 | 2.18 | 0.029 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.29 | 0.022 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Xylosidase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.05 | 0.13 | 0.42 | 0.672 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.42 | 0.672 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Xylosidase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.07 | 0.17 | -0.41 | 0.683 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.41 | 0.682 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.28 | 0.17 | 1.72 | 0.085 | 0.24 | 0.14 | 1.77 | 0.077 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.17 | 0.14 | -1.24 | 0.216 | -0.18 | 0.14 | -1.25 | 0.210 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.08 | 12.02 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.52 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Xylosidase | ~~ | Xylosidase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.88 | 0.09 | 9.86 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.41 | 0.679 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.42 | 0.678 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.02 | 0.04 | -0.40 | 0.688 | -0.02 | 0.04 | -0.40 | 0.687 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.30 | 0.16 | 1.92 | 0.055 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 1.98 | 0.047 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.19 | 0.13 | -1.42 | 0.155 | -0.19 | 0.13 | -1.45 | 0.148 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.31 | 0.16 | 1.92 | 0.054 | 0.28 | 0.13 | 2.14 | 0.032 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.19 | 0.13 | -1.43 | 0.152 | -0.22 | 0.14 | -1.64 | 0.102 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.17 | 0.244 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.18 | 0.238 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.04 | 0.13 | -0.29 | 0.771 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.29 | 0.771 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Xylosidase | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.23 | 0.818 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.23 | 0.818 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.31 | 0.16 | 1.96 | 0.050 | 0.27 | 0.13 | 2.02 | 0.043 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.16 | 0.12 | -1.33 | 0.183 | -0.18 | 0.13 | -1.35 | 0.176 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 20.22 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Xylosidase | ~~ | Xylosidase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.89 | 0.09 | 10.43 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.23 | 0.821 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.23 | 0.821 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.18 | 0.857 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.18 | 0.857 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.30 | 0.16 | 1.94 | 0.052 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 2.01 | 0.044 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.16 | 0.12 | -1.32 | 0.186 | -0.18 | 0.13 | -1.34 | 0.179 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.30 | 0.16 | 1.95 | 0.051 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.22 | 0.026 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.16 | 0.12 | -1.34 | 0.180 | -0.22 | 0.14 | -1.61 | 0.108 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 0.895 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 0.895 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.589 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.588 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Xylosidase | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.00 | 0.12 | 0.02 | 0.984 | 0.00 | 0.14 | 0.02 | 0.984 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.30 | 0.16 | 1.92 | 0.055 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 1.99 | 0.047 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.16 | 0.12 | -1.27 | 0.205 | -0.18 | 0.14 | -1.29 | 0.199 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.95 | 0.342 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.98 | 0.329 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 44.29 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Xylosidase | ~ | Xylosidase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.89 | 0.09 | 10.31 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.984 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.984 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.984 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.984 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.30 | 0.16 | 1.92 | 0.054 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 1.99 | 0.047 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.16 | 0.12 | -1.27 | 0.204 | -0.17 | 0.14 | -1.29 | 0.198 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.31 | 0.16 | 1.93 | 0.054 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.18 | 0.030 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.16 | 0.12 | -1.29 | 0.198 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.53 | 0.126 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.13 | 0.19 | -0.67 | 0.505 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.67 | 0.504 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.08 | 0.933 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.08 | 0.933 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | Xylosidase | ~ | pH_historic | c | -0.20 | 0.11 | -1.89 | 0.058 | -0.22 | 0.12 | -1.92 | 0.054 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | Xylosidase | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.37 | 0.13 | 2.80 | 0.005 | 0.33 | 0.11 | 2.91 | 0.004 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.31 | 0.14 | 2.22 | 0.026 | 0.26 | 0.12 | 2.28 | 0.023 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.23 | 0.11 | -2.09 | 0.037 | -0.25 | 0.12 | -2.13 | 0.033 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 37.71 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 298.93 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | Xylosidase | ~ | Xylosidase | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.88 | 0.11 | 6.42 | 0.000 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.63 | 0.530 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.63 | 0.527 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.04 | -0.08 | 0.933 | 0.00 | 0.05 | -0.08 | 0.933 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.34 | 0.15 | 2.33 | 0.020 | 0.28 | 0.12 | 2.40 | 0.016 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.23 | 0.12 | -1.98 | 0.048 | -0.25 | 0.12 | -2.03 | 0.042 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.34 | 0.15 | 2.34 | 0.019 | 0.32 | 0.12 | 2.68 | 0.007 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.24 | 0.12 | -2.00 | 0.046 | -0.29 | 0.13 | -2.32 | 0.021 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 1.04 | 0.15 | 7.09 | 0.000 | 0.73 | 0.07 | 10.31 | 0.000 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.05 | 0.10 | -0.51 | 0.607 | -0.08 | 0.15 | -0.52 | 0.606 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | Chitinase | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.27 | 0.789 | 0.06 | 0.21 | 0.27 | 0.789 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | Chitinase | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.01 | 0.19 | 0.06 | 0.952 | 0.01 | 0.15 | 0.06 | 0.952 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.05 | 0.22 | -0.24 | 0.808 | -0.05 | 0.22 | -0.24 | 0.808 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.14 | 0.13 | -1.11 | 0.268 | -0.17 | 0.15 | -1.12 | 0.262 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.07 | 0.285 | -0.16 | 0.15 | -1.11 | 0.267 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.47 | 0.10 | 4.62 | 0.000 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 43.86 | 0.000 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | Chitinase | ~ | Chitinase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 19.80 | 0.000 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.04 | 0.16 | 0.27 | 0.789 | 0.04 | 0.16 | 0.27 | 0.789 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.06 | 0.952 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.06 | 0.952 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.01 | 0.15 | -0.07 | 0.943 | -0.01 | 0.15 | -0.07 | 0.943 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.14 | 0.13 | -1.12 | 0.265 | -0.17 | 0.15 | -1.13 | 0.258 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.01 | 0.15 | -0.07 | 0.948 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.11 | 0.914 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.14 | 0.13 | -1.12 | 0.264 | -0.16 | 0.15 | -1.13 | 0.257 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.40 | 0.19 | 2.14 | 0.032 | 0.30 | 0.14 | 2.25 | 0.025 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.18 | 0.11 | 1.67 | 0.095 | 0.24 | 0.14 | 1.72 | 0.086 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | Chitinase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | -0.10 | 0.12 | -0.84 | 0.403 | -0.13 | 0.15 | -0.84 | 0.400 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | Chitinase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.11 | 0.17 | -0.63 | 0.529 | -0.10 | 0.15 | -0.63 | 0.527 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.02 | 0.16 | 0.13 | 0.897 | 0.02 | 0.16 | 0.13 | 0.897 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.10 | 0.13 | -0.76 | 0.447 | -0.12 | 0.15 | -0.77 | 0.445 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.07 | 0.285 | -0.16 | 0.15 | -1.11 | 0.267 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.04 | 0.000 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 13.90 | 0.000 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | Chitinase | ~ | Chitinase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.96 | 0.06 | 16.44 | 0.000 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.04 | 0.05 | -0.78 | 0.436 | -0.04 | 0.05 | -0.78 | 0.433 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.59 | 0.556 | -0.02 | 0.04 | -0.59 | 0.554 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.02 | 0.15 | -0.13 | 0.899 | -0.02 | 0.15 | -0.13 | 0.899 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.12 | 0.13 | -0.93 | 0.351 | -0.14 | 0.15 | -0.94 | 0.346 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.02 | 0.15 | -0.12 | 0.903 | 0.00 | 0.15 | 0.02 | 0.982 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.12 | 0.13 | -0.93 | 0.351 | -0.14 | 0.15 | -0.93 | 0.351 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|----------------|--------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| South-West | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.18 | 0.17 | 1.08 | 0.279 | 0.16 | 0.15 | 1.10 | 0.273 |
| South-West | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.03 | 0.13 | -0.24 | 0.809 | -0.04 | 0.15 | -0.24 | 0.809 |
| South-West | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Chitinase | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.11 | 0.13 | 0.84 | 0.399 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.85 | 0.396 |
| South-West | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.03 | 0.15 | -0.19 | 0.853 | -0.03 | 0.15 | -0.19 | 0.853 |
| South-West | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.12 | 0.12 | -0.97 | 0.332 | -0.14 | 0.15 | -0.98 | 0.327 |
| South-West | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.29 | 0.198 | -0.19 | 0.14 | -1.36 | 0.174 |
| South-West | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 20.30 | 0.000 |
| South-West | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Chitinase | ~ | Chitinase | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 0.96 | 0.05 | 18.18 | 0.000 |
| South-West | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.67 | 0.506 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.67 | 0.504 |
| South-West | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.23 | 0.816 | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.23 | 0.816 |
| South-West | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.01 | 0.15 | -0.05 | 0.957 | -0.01 | 0.15 | -0.05 | 0.957 |
| South-West | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.12 | 0.12 | -0.99 | 0.321 | -0.15 | 0.15 | -1.00 | 0.316 |
| South-West | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.01 | 0.15 | -0.05 | 0.962 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.14 | 0.891 |
| South-West | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.12 | 0.12 | -1.00 | 0.320 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.01 | 0.312 |
| South-West | chitinase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.03 | 0.20 | -0.16 | 0.876 | -0.02 | 0.15 | -0.16 | 0.876 |
| South-West | chitinase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.03 | 0.16 | 0.19 | 0.854 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.19 | 0.853 |
| South-West | chitinase | Lignin_content | Chitinase | ~ | Lignin_content | c | -0.08 | 0.11 | -0.74 | 0.459 | -0.11 | 0.15 | -0.75 | 0.456 |
| South-West | chitinase | Lignin_content | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.11 | 0.909 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.11 | 0.909 |
| South-West | chitinase | Lignin_content | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.12 | 0.12 | -1.00 | 0.320 | -0.15 | 0.15 | -1.01 | 0.315 |
| South-West | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.21 | 0.228 | -0.18 | 0.14 | -1.27 | 0.205 |
| South-West | chitinase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 84.30 | 0.000 |
| South-West | chitinase | Lignin_content | Chitinase | ~ | Chitinase | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.96 | 0.06 | 17.66 | 0.000 |
| South-West | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.879 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.879 |
| South-West | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.18 | 0.858 | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.18 | 0.858 |
| South-West | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 0.896 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 0.896 |
| South-West | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.12 | 0.12 | -1.01 | 0.313 | -0.15 | 0.15 | -1.02 | 0.307 |
| South-West | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.14 | 0.891 | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.32 | 0.751 |
| South-West | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.12 | 0.12 | -1.01 | 0.311 | -0.16 | 0.15 | -1.06 | 0.288 |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.08 | 0.19 | -0.44 | 0.661 | -0.06 | 0.15 | -0.44 | 0.660 |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.02 | 0.13 | -0.15 | 0.884 | -0.02 | 0.15 | -0.15 | 0.884 |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | Chitinase | ~ | pH_historic | c | -0.26 | 0.10 | -2.46 | 0.014 | -0.33 | 0.13 | -2.58 | 0.010 |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | Chitinase | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.09 | 0.13 | 0.72 | 0.473 | 0.10 | 0.13 | 0.72 | 0.472 |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.29 | 0.775 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.29 | 0.775 |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.21 | 0.11 | -1.89 | 0.059 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.94 | 0.052 |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.29 | 0.198 | -0.19 | 0.14 | -1.36 | 0.174 |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 53.70 | 0.000 |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 160.82 | 0.000 |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | Chitinase | ~ | Chitinase | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 0.82 | 0.10 | 8.29 | 0.000 |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.43 | 0.666 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.43 | 0.665 |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.14 | 0.886 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.14 | 0.886 |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.02 | 0.15 | -0.13 | 0.901 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.901 |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.21 | 0.11 | -1.89 | 0.058 | -0.26 | 0.13 | -1.95 | 0.051 |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.02 | 0.15 | -0.11 | 0.910 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.22 | 0.830 |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.21 | 0.11 | -1.90 | 0.058 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.96 | 0.051 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 1.04 | 0.14 | 7.23 | 0.000 | 0.72 | 0.07 | 10.44 | 0.000 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.57 | 0.570 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.57 | 0.569 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_leaf_P | Urease | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.30 | 0.14 | -2.13 | 0.033 | -0.40 | 0.18 | -2.22 | 0.027 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_leaf_P | Urease | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.26 | 0.15 | 1.79 | 0.074 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.83 | 0.067 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_leaf_P | Urease | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.10 | 0.20 | 0.47 | 0.637 | 0.09 | 0.19 | 0.47 | 0.637 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_leaf_P | Urease | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.02 | 0.12 | 0.15 | 0.880 | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.880 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.48 | 0.10 | 4.80 | 0.000 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 42.42 | 0.000 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_leaf_P | Urease | ~ | Urease | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.82 | 0.10 | 8.40 | 0.000 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.31 | 0.15 | -2.05 | 0.041 | -0.29 | 0.14 | -2.12 | 0.034 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.54 | 0.589 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.54 | 0.587 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.21 | 0.15 | -1.46 | 0.143 | -0.20 | 0.14 | -1.49 | 0.136 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.29 | 0.773 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.29 | 0.773 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.21 | 0.15 | -1.47 | 0.143 | -0.21 | 0.13 | -1.54 | 0.125 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.04 | 0.12 | 0.30 | 0.766 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.651 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| South-West | urease | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.38 | 0.18 | 2.09 | 0.037 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.18 | 0.029 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.24 | 0.11 | 2.18 | 0.029 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.29 | 0.022 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_Myclnt | Urease | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | -0.31 | 0.11 | -2.82 | 0.005 | -0.39 | 0.13 | -3.03 | 0.002 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_Myclnt | Urease | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.30 | 0.765 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.30 | 0.765 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_Myclnt | Urease | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.06 | 0.15 | -0.40 | 0.688 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.40 | 0.688 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_Myclnt | Urease | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.11 | 0.915 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.11 | 0.915 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.08 | 12.02 | 0.000 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.52 | 0.000 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_Myclnt | Urease | ~ | Urease | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.83 | 0.10 | 8.48 | 0.000 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.12 | 0.07 | -1.68 | 0.094 | -0.11 | 0.06 | -1.73 | 0.083 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.30 | 0.767 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.30 | 0.767 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.18 | 0.15 | -1.17 | 0.242 | -0.17 | 0.14 | -1.19 | 0.236 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.00 | 0.11 | -0.02 | 0.985 | 0.00 | 0.13 | -0.02 | 0.985 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.18 | 0.15 | -1.17 | 0.242 | -0.17 | 0.14 | -1.19 | 0.234 |
| South-West | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.00 | 0.11 | -0.01 | 0.991 | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.13 | 0.900 |
| South-West | urease | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.17 | 0.244 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.18 | 0.238 |
| South-West | urease | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.04 | 0.13 | -0.29 | 0.771 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.29 | 0.771 |
| South-West | urease | Plant_biomass | Urease | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | -0.09 | 0.13 | -0.70 | 0.481 | -0.10 | 0.14 | -0.71 | 0.479 |
| South-West | urease | Plant_biomass | Urease | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.18 | 0.15 | -1.18 | 0.238 | -0.17 | 0.14 | -1.20 | 0.232 |
| South-West | urease | Plant_biomass | Urease | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.01 | 0.12 | 0.06 | 0.954 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.06 | 0.954 |
| South-West | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | urease | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 20.22 | 0.000 |
| South-West | urease | Plant_biomass | Urease | ~ | Urease | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.96 | 0.06 | 16.87 | 0.000 |
| South-West | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.60 | 0.547 | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.61 | 0.545 |
| South-West | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.27 | 0.788 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.27 | 0.788 |
| South-West | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.20 | 0.15 | -1.31 | 0.192 | -0.18 | 0.14 | -1.33 | 0.184 |
| South-West | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.01 | 0.12 | 0.09 | 0.931 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.09 | 0.931 |
| South-West | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.20 | 0.15 | -1.31 | 0.191 | -0.19 | 0.14 | -1.36 | 0.175 |
| South-West | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.01 | 0.12 | 0.10 | 0.923 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.28 | 0.782 |
| South-West | urease | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 0.895 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 0.895 |
| South-West | urease | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.589 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.588 |
| South-West | urease | Lignin_content | Urease | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.01 | 0.11 | 0.10 | 0.921 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.10 | 0.921 |
| South-West | urease | Lignin_content | Urease | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.23 | 0.15 | -1.52 | 0.129 | -0.22 | 0.14 | -1.55 | 0.120 |
| South-West | urease | Lignin_content | Urease | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.02 | 0.12 | 0.15 | 0.883 | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.15 | 0.883 |
| South-West | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.95 | 0.342 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.98 | 0.329 |
| South-West | urease | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 44.29 | 0.000 |
| South-West | urease | Lignin_content | Urease | ~ | Urease | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.95 | 0.06 | 15.74 | 0.000 |
| South-West | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.08 | 0.937 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.08 | 0.937 |
| South-West | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.923 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.923 |
| South-West | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.23 | 0.15 | -1.52 | 0.130 | -0.22 | 0.14 | -1.55 | 0.121 |
| South-West | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.02 | 0.12 | 0.16 | 0.877 | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.16 | 0.877 |
| South-West | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.23 | 0.15 | -1.52 | 0.129 | -0.22 | 0.14 | -1.59 | 0.112 |
| South-West | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.02 | 0.12 | 0.17 | 0.867 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.36 | 0.719 |
| South-West | urease | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.13 | 0.19 | -0.67 | 0.505 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.67 | 0.504 |
| South-West | urease | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.08 | 0.933 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.08 | 0.933 |
| South-West | urease | pH | Urease | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.31 | 0.758 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.31 | 0.758 |
| South-West | urease | pH | Urease | ~ | pH_change | d | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.11 | 0.917 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.11 | 0.917 |
| South-West | urease | pH | Urease | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.19 | 0.15 | -1.27 | 0.205 | -0.18 | 0.14 | -1.29 | 0.198 |
| South-West | urease | pH | Urease | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.02 | 0.12 | 0.20 | 0.844 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.20 | 0.844 |
| South-West | urease | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | urease | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 37.71 | 0.000 |
| South-West | urease | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 298.93 | 0.000 |
| South-West | urease | pH | Urease | ~ | Urease | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.96 | 0.05 | 18.21 | 0.000 |
| South-West | urease | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | urease | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | urease | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.28 | 0.780 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.28 | 0.780 |
| South-West | urease | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.07 | 0.948 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.07 | 0.948 |
| South-West | urease | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.20 | 0.15 | -1.30 | 0.193 | -0.18 | 0.14 | -1.32 | 0.186 |
| South-West | urease | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.02 | 0.12 | 0.20 | 0.843 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.20 | 0.843 |
| South-West | urease | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.20 | 0.15 | -1.30 | 0.192 | -0.19 | 0.14 | -1.37 | 0.171 |
| South-West | urease | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.02 | 0.12 | 0.21 | 0.835 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.39 | 0.698 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| South-West | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 1.04 | 0.14 | 7.23 | 0.000 | 0.72 | 0.07 | 10.44 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.57 | 0.570 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.57 | 0.569 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | DEA | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.34 | 0.13 | 2.70 | 0.007 | 0.46 | 0.16 | 2.82 | 0.005 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | DEA | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.34 | 0.13 | 2.56 | 0.010 | 0.30 | 0.11 | 2.64 | 0.008 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | DEA | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.07 | 0.18 | 0.37 | 0.715 | 0.06 | 0.17 | 0.37 | 0.715 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | DEA | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.09 | 0.10 | 0.83 | 0.409 | 0.10 | 0.12 | 0.83 | 0.407 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.48 | 0.10 | 4.80 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 42.42 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | DEA | ~ | DEA | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.66 | 0.11 | 6.11 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.35 | 0.14 | 2.53 | 0.012 | 0.33 | 0.12 | 2.65 | 0.008 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.55 | 0.579 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.56 | 0.578 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.42 | 0.13 | 3.10 | 0.002 | 0.39 | 0.12 | 3.33 | 0.001 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.11 | 0.11 | 0.97 | 0.330 | 0.12 | 0.13 | 0.98 | 0.328 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.42 | 0.13 | 3.09 | 0.002 | 0.38 | 0.12 | 3.18 | 0.001 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.10 | 0.11 | 0.96 | 0.339 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.56 | 0.573 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.38 | 0.18 | 2.09 | 0.037 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.18 | 0.029 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.24 | 0.11 | 2.18 | 0.029 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.29 | 0.022 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | DEA | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.14 | 0.11 | 1.30 | 0.194 | 0.17 | 0.13 | 1.31 | 0.189 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | DEA | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.01 | 0.15 | -0.10 | 0.924 | -0.01 | 0.13 | -0.10 | 0.924 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | DEA | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.42 | 0.14 | 2.97 | 0.003 | 0.39 | 0.12 | 3.18 | 0.001 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | DEA | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.18 | 0.12 | 1.54 | 0.125 | 0.20 | 0.13 | 1.56 | 0.120 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.08 | 12.02 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.52 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | DEA | ~ | DEA | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.76 | 0.11 | 7.07 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.05 | 0.05 | 1.10 | 0.270 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 1.12 | 0.263 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.04 | -0.10 | 0.924 | 0.00 | 0.04 | -0.10 | 0.924 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.48 | 0.14 | 3.43 | 0.001 | 0.44 | 0.12 | 3.79 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.18 | 0.11 | 1.58 | 0.114 | 0.20 | 0.13 | 1.60 | 0.109 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.48 | 0.14 | 3.43 | 0.001 | 0.42 | 0.12 | 3.52 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.17 | 0.11 | 1.56 | 0.119 | 0.15 | 0.14 | 1.07 | 0.286 |
| South-West | DEA | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.17 | 0.244 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.18 | 0.238 |
| South-West | DEA | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.04 | 0.13 | -0.29 | 0.771 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.29 | 0.771 |
| South-West | DEA | Plant_biomass | DEA | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.04 | 0.12 | 0.33 | 0.740 | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.33 | 0.740 |
| South-West | DEA | Plant_biomass | DEA | ~ | LUI_historic | d | 0.48 | 0.14 | 3.46 | 0.001 | 0.44 | 0.12 | 3.81 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | Plant_biomass | DEA | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.18 | 0.11 | 1.67 | 0.095 | 0.21 | 0.12 | 1.70 | 0.089 |
| South-West | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | DEA | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 20.22 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | Plant_biomass | DEA | ~ | DEA | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.78 | 0.10 | 7.54 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.32 | 0.750 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.32 | 0.750 |
| South-West | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.22 | 0.827 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.22 | 0.827 |
| South-West | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.48 | 0.14 | 3.56 | 0.000 | 0.45 | 0.11 | 3.94 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.18 | 0.11 | 1.66 | 0.097 | 0.21 | 0.12 | 1.68 | 0.092 |
| South-West | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.48 | 0.14 | 3.55 | 0.000 | 0.42 | 0.12 | 3.59 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.17 | 0.11 | 1.63 | 0.103 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 1.03 | 0.301 |
| South-West | DEA | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 0.895 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 0.895 |
| South-West | DEA | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.589 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.588 |
| South-West | DEA | Lignin_content | DEA | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.68 | 0.498 | 0.09 | 0.13 | 0.68 | 0.497 |
| South-West | DEA | Lignin_content | DEA | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.46 | 0.14 | 3.33 | 0.001 | 0.43 | 0.12 | 3.65 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | Lignin_content | DEA | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.18 | 0.11 | 1.65 | 0.100 | 0.21 | 0.13 | 1.68 | 0.094 |
| South-West | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.95 | 0.342 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.98 | 0.329 |
| South-West | DEA | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 44.29 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | Lignin_content | DEA | ~ | DEA | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.78 | 0.11 | 7.46 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.897 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.897 |
| South-West | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.42 | 0.673 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.42 | 0.672 |
| South-West | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.46 | 0.14 | 3.33 | 0.001 | 0.43 | 0.12 | 3.66 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.18 | 0.11 | 1.70 | 0.090 | 0.22 | 0.13 | 1.73 | 0.084 |
| South-West | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.46 | 0.14 | 3.32 | 0.001 | 0.40 | 0.12 | 3.31 | 0.001 |
| South-West | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.18 | 0.11 | 1.67 | 0.095 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.14 | 0.255 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|---------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| South-West | DEA | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.13 | 0.19 | -0.67 | 0.505 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.67 | 0.504 |
| South-West | DEA | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.08 | 0.933 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.08 | 0.933 |
| South-West | DEA | pH | DEA | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.15 | 0.10 | 1.50 | 0.135 | 0.18 | 0.12 | 1.51 | 0.131 |
| South-West | DEA | pH | DEA | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.09 | 0.12 | 0.75 | 0.451 | 0.09 | 0.12 | 0.76 | 0.450 |
| South-West | DEA | pH | DEA | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.53 | 0.13 | 3.93 | 0.000 | 0.48 | 0.11 | 4.36 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | pH | DEA | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.24 | 0.10 | 2.27 | 0.023 | 0.27 | 0.12 | 2.33 | 0.020 |
| South-West | DEA | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | DEA | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 37.71 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 298.93 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | pH | DEA | ~ | DEA | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.71 | 0.11 | 6.63 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | DEA | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | DEA | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.61 | 0.543 | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.61 | 0.544 |
| South-West | DEA | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.08 | 0.934 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.08 | 0.934 |
| South-West | DEA | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.51 | 0.14 | 3.73 | 0.000 | 0.46 | 0.11 | 4.13 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.24 | 0.11 | 2.25 | 0.025 | 0.27 | 0.12 | 2.31 | 0.021 |
| South-West | DEA | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.51 | 0.14 | 3.72 | 0.000 | 0.42 | 0.12 | 3.61 | 0.000 |
| South-West | DEA | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.23 | 0.11 | 2.22 | 0.026 | 0.21 | 0.13 | 1.54 | 0.124 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 1.04 | 0.14 | 7.23 | 0.000 | 0.72 | 0.07 | 10.44 | 0.000 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.57 | 0.570 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.57 | 0.569 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | Phosphatase | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.17 | 0.16 | 1.08 | 0.283 | 0.22 | 0.20 | 1.09 | 0.277 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | Phosphatase | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | -0.04 | 0.17 | -0.25 | 0.800 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.25 | 0.800 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.01 | 0.23 | 0.06 | 0.951 | 0.01 | 0.20 | 0.06 | 0.951 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.06 | 0.13 | -0.46 | 0.642 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.47 | 0.642 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.48 | 0.10 | 4.80 | 0.000 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 42.42 | 0.000 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | Phosphatase | ~ | Phosphatase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 14.17 | 0.000 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.18 | 0.17 | 1.06 | 0.288 | 0.16 | 0.15 | 1.08 | 0.282 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.23 | 0.817 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.23 | 0.817 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.19 | 0.235 | 0.17 | 0.14 | 1.21 | 0.228 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.06 | 0.13 | -0.49 | 0.627 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.49 | 0.626 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.19 | 0.234 | 0.18 | 0.14 | 1.27 | 0.204 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.06 | 0.13 | -0.49 | 0.622 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.62 | 0.534 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.38 | 0.18 | 2.09 | 0.037 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.18 | 0.029 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.24 | 0.11 | 2.18 | 0.029 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.29 | 0.022 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | Phosphatase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | -0.19 | 0.13 | -1.49 | 0.137 | -0.22 | 0.14 | -1.52 | 0.129 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | Phosphatase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.08 | 0.17 | -0.46 | 0.644 | -0.07 | 0.15 | -0.46 | 0.643 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.26 | 0.16 | 1.56 | 0.118 | 0.23 | 0.14 | 1.60 | 0.109 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.08 | 0.935 | 0.01 | 0.15 | 0.08 | 0.935 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.08 | 12.02 | 0.000 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.52 | 0.000 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | Phosphatase | ~ | Phosphatase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 12.70 | 0.000 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.07 | 0.06 | -1.21 | 0.226 | -0.06 | 0.05 | -1.22 | 0.221 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.02 | 0.04 | -0.45 | 0.651 | -0.02 | 0.05 | -0.45 | 0.650 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.16 | 0.245 | 0.17 | 0.14 | 1.18 | 0.239 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.01 | 0.13 | -0.06 | 0.953 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.06 | 0.953 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.16 | 0.245 | 0.17 | 0.14 | 1.19 | 0.233 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.01 | 0.13 | -0.07 | 0.948 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.19 | 0.846 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.17 | 0.244 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.18 | 0.238 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.04 | 0.13 | -0.29 | 0.771 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.29 | 0.771 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Phosphatase | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.52 | 0.602 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.52 | 0.601 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.20 | 0.16 | 1.24 | 0.215 | 0.18 | 0.14 | 1.26 | 0.208 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.03 | 0.12 | -0.22 | 0.825 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.22 | 0.825 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 20.22 | 0.000 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Phosphatase | ~ | Phosphatase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 19.05 | 0.000 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.48 | 0.634 | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.48 | 0.633 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.25 | 0.799 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.25 | 0.799 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.18 | 0.16 | 1.17 | 0.243 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.18 | 0.237 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.03 | 0.12 | -0.20 | 0.842 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.20 | 0.842 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.17 | 0.243 | 0.17 | 0.14 | 1.23 | 0.220 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.03 | 0.12 | -0.21 | 0.834 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.37 | 0.710 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| South-West | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 0.895 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 0.895 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.589 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.588 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Phosphatase | ~ | Lignin_content | c | -0.27 | 0.11 | -2.37 | 0.018 | -0.32 | 0.13 | -2.50 | 0.012 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.20 | 0.15 | 1.35 | 0.176 | 0.18 | 0.13 | 1.37 | 0.170 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.00 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.990 | 0.00 | 0.14 | 0.01 | 0.990 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.95 | 0.342 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.98 | 0.329 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 44.29 | 0.000 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Phosphatase | ~ | Phosphatase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.87 | 0.09 | 9.44 | 0.000 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.05 | -0.13 | 0.896 | -0.01 | 0.05 | -0.13 | 0.896 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | -0.02 | 0.04 | -0.53 | 0.598 | -0.03 | 0.05 | -0.53 | 0.597 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.20 | 0.16 | 1.24 | 0.216 | 0.18 | 0.14 | 1.26 | 0.209 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.02 | 0.12 | -0.16 | 0.870 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.16 | 0.870 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.20 | 0.16 | 1.24 | 0.216 | 0.18 | 0.14 | 1.29 | 0.196 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.02 | 0.12 | -0.17 | 0.863 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.33 | 0.739 |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.13 | 0.19 | -0.67 | 0.505 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.67 | 0.504 |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.08 | 0.933 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.08 | 0.933 |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | Phosphatase | ~ | pH_historic | c | -0.66 | 0.08 | -8.31 | 0.000 | -0.72 | 0.06 | -11.21 | 0.000 |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | Phosphatase | ~ | pH_change | d | -0.02 | 0.10 | -0.17 | 0.869 | -0.01 | 0.09 | -0.17 | 0.869 |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.05 | 0.11 | 0.48 | 0.634 | 0.04 | 0.09 | 0.48 | 0.635 |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.28 | 0.08 | -3.38 | 0.001 | -0.30 | 0.09 | -3.34 | 0.001 |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 37.71 | 0.000 |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 298.93 | 0.000 |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | Phosphatase | ~ | Phosphatase | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.37 | 0.08 | 4.64 | 0.000 |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.08 | 0.13 | 0.66 | 0.507 | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.67 | 0.503 |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.08 | 0.941 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.08 | 0.941 |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.13 | 0.16 | 0.82 | 0.414 | 0.11 | 0.13 | 0.82 | 0.410 |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.28 | 0.08 | -3.38 | 0.001 | -0.30 | 0.09 | -3.33 | 0.001 |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.14 | 0.16 | 0.83 | 0.408 | 0.15 | 0.14 | 1.11 | 0.268 |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.28 | 0.08 | -3.39 | 0.001 | -0.31 | 0.09 | -3.49 | 0.000 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 1.04 | 0.14 | 7.23 | 0.000 | 0.72 | 0.07 | 10.44 | 0.000 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.57 | 0.570 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.57 | 0.569 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | bactotal | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.14 | 0.15 | 0.89 | 0.373 | 0.18 | 0.20 | 0.90 | 0.370 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | bactotal | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.11 | 0.16 | 0.65 | 0.517 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.65 | 0.515 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | bactotal | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.05 | 0.22 | -0.22 | 0.828 | -0.04 | 0.20 | -0.22 | 0.828 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | bactotal | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.16 | 0.13 | -1.23 | 0.217 | -0.17 | 0.14 | -1.25 | 0.210 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.48 | 0.10 | 4.80 | 0.000 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 42.42 | 0.000 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | bactotal | ~ | bactotal | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 13.96 | 0.000 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.14 | 0.16 | 0.88 | 0.377 | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.89 | 0.373 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.43 | 0.669 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.43 | 0.669 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.09 | 0.16 | 0.61 | 0.545 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.61 | 0.544 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.15 | 0.13 | -1.18 | 0.238 | -0.17 | 0.14 | -1.20 | 0.231 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.10 | 0.16 | 0.61 | 0.542 | 0.11 | 0.14 | 0.74 | 0.460 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.15 | 0.13 | -1.19 | 0.236 | -0.18 | 0.14 | -1.27 | 0.203 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.38 | 0.18 | 2.09 | 0.037 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.18 | 0.029 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.24 | 0.11 | 2.18 | 0.029 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.29 | 0.022 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | bactotal | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | -0.17 | 0.12 | -1.45 | 0.147 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.48 | 0.140 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | bactotal | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.10 | 0.16 | 0.58 | 0.563 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.58 | 0.562 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | bactotal | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.20 | 0.232 | 0.17 | 0.14 | 1.21 | 0.226 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | bactotal | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.12 | 0.13 | -0.94 | 0.346 | -0.14 | 0.15 | -0.95 | 0.342 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.08 | 12.02 | 0.000 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.52 | 0.000 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | bactotal | ~ | bactotal | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.07 | 12.68 | 0.000 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.07 | 0.06 | -1.19 | 0.234 | -0.06 | 0.05 | -1.20 | 0.229 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.56 | 0.576 | 0.03 | 0.05 | 0.56 | 0.575 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.12 | 0.16 | 0.80 | 0.425 | 0.11 | 0.14 | 0.80 | 0.422 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.10 | 0.12 | -0.80 | 0.421 | -0.11 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.419 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.12 | 0.15 | 0.80 | 0.423 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.90 | 0.370 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.10 | 0.12 | -0.81 | 0.418 | -0.13 | 0.14 | -0.90 | 0.366 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| South-West | bacteria | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.17 | 0.244 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.18 | 0.238 |
| South-West | bacteria | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.04 | 0.13 | -0.29 | 0.771 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.29 | 0.771 |
| South-West | bacteria | Plant_biomass | bactotal | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.62 | 0.537 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.62 | 0.536 |
| South-West | bacteria | Plant_biomass | bactotal | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.12 | 0.16 | 0.76 | 0.449 | 0.11 | 0.14 | 0.76 | 0.447 |
| South-West | bacteria | Plant_biomass | bactotal | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.10 | 0.12 | -0.82 | 0.412 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.83 | 0.409 |
| South-West | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | bacteria | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 20.22 | 0.000 |
| South-West | bacteria | Plant_biomass | bactotal | ~ | bactotal | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 19.84 | 0.000 |
| South-West | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.55 | 0.585 | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.55 | 0.584 |
| South-West | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.26 | 0.792 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.26 | 0.792 |
| South-West | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.10 | 0.16 | 0.66 | 0.508 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.67 | 0.506 |
| South-West | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.10 | 0.12 | -0.79 | 0.428 | -0.11 | 0.14 | -0.80 | 0.425 |
| South-West | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.10 | 0.16 | 0.67 | 0.505 | 0.11 | 0.14 | 0.79 | 0.431 |
| South-West | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.10 | 0.12 | -0.80 | 0.424 | -0.13 | 0.14 | -0.90 | 0.366 |
| South-West | bacteria | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 0.895 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 0.895 |
| South-West | bacteria | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.589 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.588 |
| South-West | bacteria | Lignin_content | bactotal | ~ | Lignin_content | c | -0.12 | 0.12 | -0.98 | 0.326 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.99 | 0.321 |
| South-West | bacteria | Lignin_content | bactotal | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.10 | 0.16 | 0.64 | 0.525 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.64 | 0.524 |
| South-West | bacteria | Lignin_content | bactotal | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.08 | 0.12 | -0.68 | 0.494 | -0.10 | 0.14 | -0.69 | 0.492 |
| South-West | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.95 | 0.342 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.98 | 0.329 |
| South-West | bacteria | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 44.29 | 0.000 |
| South-West | bacteria | Lignin_content | bactotal | ~ | bactotal | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.96 | 0.06 | 17.00 | 0.000 |
| South-West | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.13 | 0.896 | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.13 | 0.896 |
| South-West | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.47 | 0.636 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.48 | 0.635 |
| South-West | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.10 | 0.16 | 0.61 | 0.541 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.61 | 0.540 |
| South-West | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.09 | 0.12 | -0.76 | 0.450 | -0.11 | 0.14 | -0.76 | 0.448 |
| South-West | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.10 | 0.16 | 0.62 | 0.539 | 0.10 | 0.14 | 0.72 | 0.470 |
| South-West | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.09 | 0.12 | -0.76 | 0.447 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.85 | 0.395 |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.13 | 0.19 | -0.67 | 0.505 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.67 | 0.504 |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.08 | 0.933 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.08 | 0.933 |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | bactotal | ~ | pH_historic | c | -0.20 | 0.11 | -1.87 | 0.062 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.92 | 0.055 |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | bactotal | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.21 | 0.14 | 1.57 | 0.116 | 0.20 | 0.13 | 1.60 | 0.109 |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | bactotal | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.09 | 0.15 | 0.62 | 0.536 | 0.08 | 0.13 | 0.62 | 0.535 |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | bactotal | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.17 | 0.12 | -1.48 | 0.138 | -0.20 | 0.13 | -1.51 | 0.132 |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 37.71 | 0.000 |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 298.93 | 0.000 |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | bactotal | ~ | bactotal | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.84 | 0.09 | 9.09 | 0.000 |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.63 | 0.531 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.63 | 0.528 |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.03 | -0.08 | 0.933 | 0.00 | 0.03 | -0.08 | 0.933 |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.12 | 0.15 | 0.77 | 0.442 | 0.10 | 0.14 | 0.77 | 0.439 |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.17 | 0.12 | -1.47 | 0.143 | -0.20 | 0.13 | -1.49 | 0.135 |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.12 | 0.15 | 0.78 | 0.437 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.98 | 0.326 |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.17 | 0.12 | -1.47 | 0.141 | -0.21 | 0.13 | -1.62 | 0.105 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 1.04 | 0.14 | 7.23 | 0.000 | 0.72 | 0.07 | 10.44 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.57 | 0.570 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.57 | 0.569 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | fungi_bac | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.42 | 0.16 | -2.65 | 0.008 | -0.49 | 0.17 | -2.81 | 0.005 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | fungi_bac | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | -0.19 | 0.17 | -1.15 | 0.249 | -0.15 | 0.13 | -1.16 | 0.246 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.06 | 0.23 | 0.27 | 0.784 | 0.05 | 0.18 | 0.28 | 0.784 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.03 | 0.13 | 0.24 | 0.808 | 0.03 | 0.13 | 0.24 | 0.808 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.48 | 0.10 | 4.80 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 42.42 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | fungi_bac | ~ | fungi_bac | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.77 | 0.11 | 7.36 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.43 | 0.17 | -2.49 | 0.013 | -0.35 | 0.13 | -2.63 | 0.009 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.51 | 0.611 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.51 | 0.610 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.37 | 0.17 | -2.19 | 0.028 | -0.30 | 0.13 | -2.30 | 0.022 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.883 | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.883 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.37 | 0.17 | -2.20 | 0.028 | -0.30 | 0.13 | -2.33 | 0.020 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.16 | 0.872 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.40 | 0.692 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|----------------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.38 | 0.18 | 2.09 | 0.037 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.18 | 0.029 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.24 | 0.11 | 2.18 | 0.029 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.29 | 0.022 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | fungi_bac | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.11 | 0.13 | 0.84 | 0.401 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.85 | 0.398 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | fungi_bac | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.20 | 0.18 | 1.12 | 0.263 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.13 | 0.258 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.44 | 0.17 | -2.55 | 0.011 | -0.36 | 0.13 | -2.71 | 0.007 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.96 | 0.337 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.97 | 0.334 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.08 | 12.02 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.52 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | fungi_bac | ~ | fungi_bac | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.86 | 0.09 | 9.29 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.78 | 0.436 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.78 | 0.434 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.05 | 0.05 | 1.00 | 0.319 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 1.00 | 0.315 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.40 | 0.17 | -2.40 | 0.017 | -0.33 | 0.13 | -2.53 | 0.011 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.65 | 0.518 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.65 | 0.517 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.40 | 0.17 | -2.40 | 0.017 | -0.32 | 0.13 | -2.45 | 0.014 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.63 | 0.527 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.35 | 0.724 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.17 | 0.244 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.18 | 0.238 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.04 | 0.13 | -0.29 | 0.771 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.29 | 0.771 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | fungi_bac | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.04 | 0.969 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.04 | 0.969 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.41 | 0.17 | -2.46 | 0.014 | -0.34 | 0.13 | -2.60 | 0.009 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.63 | 0.531 | -0.09 | 0.13 | -0.63 | 0.529 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 20.22 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | fungi_bac | ~ | fungi_bac | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.89 | 0.08 | 10.57 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.03 | -0.04 | 0.969 | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.04 | 0.969 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.969 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.969 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.41 | 0.17 | -2.50 | 0.013 | -0.34 | 0.13 | -2.65 | 0.008 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.63 | 0.531 | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.63 | 0.530 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.41 | 0.17 | -2.50 | 0.013 | -0.32 | 0.13 | -2.56 | 0.010 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.61 | 0.544 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.25 | 0.806 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 0.895 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 0.895 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.589 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.588 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | fungi_bac | ~ | Lignin_content | c | -0.07 | 0.13 | -0.56 | 0.573 | -0.08 | 0.14 | -0.57 | 0.572 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.40 | 0.17 | -2.38 | 0.017 | -0.33 | 0.13 | -2.51 | 0.012 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.64 | 0.521 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.64 | 0.520 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.95 | 0.342 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.98 | 0.329 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 44.29 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | fungi_bac | ~ | fungi_bac | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.89 | 0.09 | 10.27 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.13 | 0.898 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.13 | 0.898 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.39 | 0.696 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.39 | 0.696 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.40 | 0.17 | -2.38 | 0.017 | -0.33 | 0.13 | -2.52 | 0.012 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.09 | 0.13 | -0.69 | 0.493 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.69 | 0.491 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.40 | 0.17 | -2.38 | 0.017 | -0.32 | 0.13 | -2.42 | 0.015 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.09 | 0.13 | -0.67 | 0.504 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.34 | 0.734 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.13 | 0.19 | -0.67 | 0.505 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.67 | 0.504 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.08 | 0.933 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.08 | 0.933 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | fungi_bac | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.21 | 0.12 | 1.80 | 0.073 | 0.23 | 0.13 | 1.84 | 0.066 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | fungi_bac | ~ | pH_change | d | -0.16 | 0.15 | -1.09 | 0.278 | -0.14 | 0.13 | -1.09 | 0.274 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.39 | 0.16 | -2.46 | 0.014 | -0.32 | 0.12 | -2.58 | 0.010 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.00 | 0.12 | -0.02 | 0.984 | 0.00 | 0.13 | -0.02 | 0.984 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 37.71 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 298.93 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | fungi_bac | ~ | fungi_bac | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.81 | 0.10 | 8.24 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.03 | 0.04 | -0.62 | 0.532 | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.63 | 0.529 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.08 | 0.934 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.08 | 0.934 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.42 | 0.16 | -2.56 | 0.010 | -0.34 | 0.13 | -2.72 | 0.007 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.00 | 0.13 | -0.01 | 0.994 | 0.00 | 0.13 | -0.01 | 0.994 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.42 | 0.16 | -2.56 | 0.010 | -0.34 | 0.12 | -2.75 | 0.006 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.00 | 0.13 | 0.01 | 0.990 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.36 | 0.721 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| South-West | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 1.04 | 0.14 | 7.23 | 0.000 | 0.72 | 0.07 | 10.44 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.57 | 0.570 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.57 | 0.569 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | fungi | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.26 | 0.15 | -1.72 | 0.086 | -0.34 | 0.19 | -1.76 | 0.078 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | fungi | ~ | LUI_historic | d | -0.18 | 0.16 | -1.10 | 0.271 | -0.15 | 0.13 | -1.11 | 0.266 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | fungi | ~ | LUI_change | e | 0.18 | 0.22 | 0.82 | 0.411 | 0.16 | 0.20 | 0.83 | 0.408 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | fungi | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.18 | 0.13 | -1.41 | 0.158 | -0.19 | 0.13 | -1.44 | 0.151 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.48 | 0.10 | 4.80 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 42.42 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | fungi | ~ | fungi | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.88 | 0.09 | 10.11 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.27 | 0.16 | -1.67 | 0.095 | -0.24 | 0.14 | -1.71 | 0.087 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.51 | 0.614 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.51 | 0.612 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.09 | 0.16 | -0.58 | 0.564 | -0.08 | 0.14 | -0.58 | 0.563 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.19 | 0.13 | -1.49 | 0.137 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.52 | 0.129 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.09 | 0.16 | -0.57 | 0.568 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.40 | 0.688 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.19 | 0.13 | -1.49 | 0.137 | -0.20 | 0.14 | -1.45 | 0.147 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.38 | 0.18 | 2.09 | 0.037 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.18 | 0.029 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.24 | 0.11 | 2.18 | 0.029 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.29 | 0.022 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | fungi | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.05 | 0.12 | 0.38 | 0.706 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.38 | 0.706 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | fungi | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.31 | 0.17 | 1.88 | 0.060 | 0.26 | 0.14 | 1.93 | 0.053 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | fungi | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.13 | 0.16 | -0.78 | 0.433 | -0.11 | 0.14 | -0.79 | 0.431 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | fungi | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.33 | 0.13 | -2.50 | 0.013 | -0.35 | 0.13 | -2.63 | 0.008 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.08 | 12.02 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.52 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | fungi | ~ | fungi | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.86 | 0.09 | 9.19 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.37 | 0.711 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.37 | 0.711 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.07 | 0.05 | 1.43 | 0.154 | 0.08 | 0.06 | 1.44 | 0.151 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.11 | 0.15 | -0.70 | 0.481 | -0.10 | 0.13 | -0.71 | 0.480 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.96 | 0.050 | -0.27 | 0.13 | -2.03 | 0.042 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.11 | 0.15 | -0.70 | 0.486 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.46 | 0.649 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.95 | 0.051 | -0.26 | 0.13 | -1.95 | 0.051 |
| South-West | fungi | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.17 | 0.244 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.18 | 0.238 |
| South-West | fungi | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.04 | 0.13 | -0.29 | 0.771 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.29 | 0.771 |
| South-West | fungi | Plant_biomass | fungi | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | -0.04 | 0.13 | -0.31 | 0.759 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.31 | 0.759 |
| South-West | fungi | Plant_biomass | fungi | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.13 | 0.16 | -0.80 | 0.425 | -0.11 | 0.14 | -0.80 | 0.422 |
| South-West | fungi | Plant_biomass | fungi | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.24 | 0.12 | -1.94 | 0.052 | -0.27 | 0.13 | -2.01 | 0.044 |
| South-West | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | fungi | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 20.22 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi | Plant_biomass | fungi | ~ | fungi | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.07 | 12.76 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.30 | 0.767 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.30 | 0.767 |
| South-West | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.21 | 0.833 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.21 | 0.833 |
| South-West | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.13 | 0.15 | -0.86 | 0.391 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.86 | 0.388 |
| South-West | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.23 | 0.12 | -1.93 | 0.054 | -0.27 | 0.13 | -2.00 | 0.046 |
| South-West | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.13 | 0.15 | -0.85 | 0.396 | -0.08 | 0.14 | -0.56 | 0.574 |
| South-West | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.23 | 0.12 | -1.92 | 0.054 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.87 | 0.062 |
| South-West | fungi | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 0.895 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 0.895 |
| South-West | fungi | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.589 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.588 |
| South-West | fungi | Lignin_content | fungi | ~ | Lignin_content | c | -0.09 | 0.12 | -0.71 | 0.477 | -0.10 | 0.14 | -0.72 | 0.475 |
| South-West | fungi | Lignin_content | fungi | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.14 | 0.16 | -0.87 | 0.386 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.87 | 0.383 |
| South-West | fungi | Lignin_content | fungi | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.23 | 0.12 | -1.84 | 0.066 | -0.26 | 0.14 | -1.90 | 0.057 |
| South-West | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.95 | 0.342 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.98 | 0.329 |
| South-West | fungi | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 44.29 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi | Lignin_content | fungi | ~ | fungi | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.82 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.13 | 0.897 | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| South-West | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.43 | 0.667 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.43 | 0.666 |
| South-West | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.14 | 0.16 | -0.88 | 0.381 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.88 | 0.378 |
| South-West | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.23 | 0.12 | -1.89 | 0.059 | -0.27 | 0.14 | -1.96 | 0.050 |
| South-West | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.14 | 0.16 | -0.87 | 0.385 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.60 | 0.548 |
| South-West | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.23 | 0.12 | -1.89 | 0.059 | -0.25 | 0.14 | -1.83 | 0.067 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|---------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| South-West | fungi | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.13 | 0.19 | -0.67 | 0.505 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.67 | 0.504 |
| South-West | fungi | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.08 | 0.933 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.08 | 0.933 |
| South-West | fungi | pH | fungi | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.11 | 0.11 | 0.94 | 0.348 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.95 | 0.344 |
| South-West | fungi | pH | fungi | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.00 | 0.14 | 0.01 | 0.991 | 0.00 | 0.14 | 0.01 | 0.991 |
| South-West | fungi | pH | fungi | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.11 | 0.15 | -0.72 | 0.471 | -0.10 | 0.14 | -0.73 | 0.468 |
| South-West | fungi | pH | fungi | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.19 | 0.12 | -1.59 | 0.111 | -0.22 | 0.14 | -1.63 | 0.103 |
| South-West | fungi | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | fungi | pH | pH_historic | ~~ | pH_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 37.71 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi | pH | pH_change | ~~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 298.94 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi | pH | fungi | ~~ | fungi | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.43 | 0.000 |
| South-West | fungi | pH | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi | pH | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | fungi | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.54 | 0.587 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.55 | 0.586 |
| South-West | fungi | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.00 | -0.01 | 0.991 | 0.00 | 0.00 | -0.01 | 0.991 |
| South-West | fungi | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.12 | 0.15 | -0.81 | 0.421 | -0.11 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.418 |
| South-West | fungi | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.19 | 0.12 | -1.60 | 0.111 | -0.22 | 0.14 | -1.63 | 0.103 |
| South-West | fungi | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.12 | 0.15 | -0.80 | 0.425 | -0.08 | 0.14 | -0.57 | 0.571 |
| South-West | fungi | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.19 | 0.12 | -1.59 | 0.112 | -0.20 | 0.13 | -1.51 | 0.131 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 1.04 | 0.14 | 7.23 | 0.000 | 0.72 | 0.07 | 10.44 | 0.000 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.57 | 0.570 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.57 | 0.569 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | Ergosterol | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.41 | 0.16 | -2.59 | 0.010 | -0.47 | 0.17 | -2.71 | 0.007 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | Ergosterol | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.00 | 0.17 | 0.00 | 0.997 | 0.00 | 0.13 | 0.00 | 0.997 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.18 | 0.23 | 0.78 | 0.438 | 0.14 | 0.18 | 0.78 | 0.437 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.37 | 0.13 | -2.86 | 0.004 | -0.36 | 0.12 | -3.02 | 0.003 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.48 | 0.10 | 4.80 | 0.000 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 42.42 | 0.000 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | Ergosterol | ~~ | Ergosterol | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.74 | 0.11 | 7.03 | 0.000 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.43 | 0.18 | -2.44 | 0.015 | -0.34 | 0.13 | -2.54 | 0.011 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.997 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.997 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.25 | 0.17 | -1.47 | 0.141 | -0.20 | 0.13 | -1.49 | 0.135 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.37 | 0.13 | -2.87 | 0.004 | -0.36 | 0.12 | -3.03 | 0.002 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.25 | 0.17 | -1.46 | 0.144 | -0.16 | 0.14 | -1.10 | 0.271 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.37 | 0.13 | -2.86 | 0.004 | -0.34 | 0.12 | -2.78 | 0.005 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.38 | 0.18 | 2.09 | 0.037 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.18 | 0.029 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.24 | 0.11 | 2.18 | 0.029 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.29 | 0.022 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | Ergosterol | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.63 | 0.527 | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.63 | 0.527 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | Ergosterol | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.30 | 0.18 | 1.72 | 0.086 | 0.22 | 0.13 | 1.74 | 0.081 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.21 | 0.17 | -1.26 | 0.209 | -0.16 | 0.13 | -1.27 | 0.205 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.53 | 0.14 | -3.82 | 0.000 | -0.50 | 0.12 | -4.27 | 0.000 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.80 | 0.426 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.81 | 0.417 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.08 | 12.02 | 0.000 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.52 | 0.000 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | Ergosterol | ~~ | Ergosterol | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.74 | 0.11 | 6.88 | 0.000 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.03 | 0.05 | -0.61 | 0.545 | -0.02 | 0.04 | -0.61 | 0.544 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.07 | 0.05 | 1.35 | 0.177 | 0.07 | 0.05 | 1.35 | 0.176 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.24 | 0.16 | -1.49 | 0.135 | -0.19 | 0.12 | -1.51 | 0.130 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.46 | 0.14 | -3.37 | 0.001 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.71 | 0.000 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.24 | 0.16 | -1.48 | 0.139 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -1.00 | 0.320 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.46 | 0.14 | -3.36 | 0.001 | -0.41 | 0.12 | -3.46 | 0.001 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.16 | 1.17 | 0.244 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.18 | 0.238 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.04 | 0.13 | -0.29 | 0.771 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.29 | 0.771 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Ergosterol | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.09 | 0.15 | 0.61 | 0.545 | 0.08 | 0.13 | 0.61 | 0.544 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.30 | 0.17 | -1.75 | 0.080 | -0.23 | 0.13 | -1.79 | 0.074 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.40 | 0.13 | -3.02 | 0.003 | -0.39 | 0.12 | -3.25 | 0.001 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 20.22 | 0.000 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Ergosterol | ~~ | Ergosterol | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.82 | 0.10 | 8.27 | 0.000 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.54 | 0.591 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.54 | 0.591 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.26 | 0.793 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.26 | 0.793 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.28 | 0.17 | -1.67 | 0.095 | -0.22 | 0.13 | -1.70 | 0.089 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.41 | 0.13 | -3.03 | 0.002 | -0.39 | 0.12 | -3.28 | 0.001 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.28 | 0.17 | -1.66 | 0.098 | -0.16 | 0.14 | -1.15 | 0.250 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.40 | 0.13 | -3.02 | 0.003 | -0.36 | 0.12 | -2.94 | 0.003 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| South-West | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 0.895 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 0.895 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.589 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.54 | 0.588 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Ergosterol | ~ | Lignin_content | c | -0.20 | 0.13 | -1.57 | 0.117 | -0.20 | 0.13 | -1.60 | 0.111 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.28 | 0.17 | -1.64 | 0.100 | -0.21 | 0.13 | -1.67 | 0.095 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.39 | 0.13 | -2.91 | 0.004 | -0.38 | 0.12 | -3.11 | 0.002 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.95 | 0.342 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.98 | 0.329 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 44.29 | 0.000 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Ergosterol | ~ | Ergosterol | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.78 | 0.11 | 7.44 | 0.000 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.13 | 0.896 | 0.00 | 0.03 | -0.13 | 0.896 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.51 | 0.609 | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.52 | 0.607 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.29 | 0.18 | -1.63 | 0.103 | -0.22 | 0.13 | -1.66 | 0.096 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.41 | 0.14 | -2.97 | 0.003 | -0.39 | 0.12 | -3.20 | 0.001 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.28 | 0.18 | -1.62 | 0.106 | -0.16 | 0.14 | -1.15 | 0.251 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.40 | 0.14 | -2.96 | 0.003 | -0.36 | 0.13 | -2.89 | 0.004 |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.13 | 0.19 | -0.67 | 0.505 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.67 | 0.504 |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.08 | 0.933 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.08 | 0.933 |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | Ergosterol | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.16 | 0.13 | 1.25 | 0.211 | 0.16 | 0.13 | 1.26 | 0.206 |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | Ergosterol | ~ | pH_change | d | -0.02 | 0.16 | -0.12 | 0.901 | -0.02 | 0.13 | -0.12 | 0.901 |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.26 | 0.17 | -1.52 | 0.129 | -0.20 | 0.13 | -1.54 | 0.123 |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.34 | 0.13 | -2.62 | 0.009 | -0.34 | 0.12 | -2.77 | 0.006 |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.01 | 0.01 | -1.03 | 0.303 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 37.71 | 0.000 |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 298.93 | 0.000 |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | Ergosterol | ~ | Ergosterol | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.83 | 0.10 | 8.73 | 0.000 |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.59 | 0.557 | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.59 | 0.555 |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.07 | 0.945 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.07 | 0.945 |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.28 | 0.17 | -1.62 | 0.106 | -0.21 | 0.13 | -1.65 | 0.099 |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.34 | 0.13 | -2.61 | 0.009 | -0.34 | 0.12 | -2.76 | 0.006 |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.27 | 0.17 | -1.61 | 0.109 | -0.16 | 0.14 | -1.19 | 0.234 |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.34 | 0.13 | -2.60 | 0.009 | -0.31 | 0.13 | -2.45 | 0.014 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.53 | 0.09 | 5.84 | 0.000 | 0.64 | 0.08 | 7.58 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.05 | 0.11 | -0.46 | 0.647 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.46 | 0.646 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | Cmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.13 | 0.18 | -0.72 | 0.472 | -0.13 | 0.17 | -0.72 | 0.470 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | Cmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.06 | 0.20 | 0.27 | 0.785 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.27 | 0.785 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | Cmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.18 | 0.15 | -1.16 | 0.248 | -0.20 | 0.17 | -1.17 | 0.242 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | Cmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.21 | 0.833 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.21 | 0.833 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.59 | 0.11 | 5.55 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 54.73 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | Cmic | ~ | Cmic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.77 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.07 | 0.10 | -0.71 | 0.475 | -0.08 | 0.11 | -0.72 | 0.473 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.23 | 0.815 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.24 | 0.815 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.24 | 0.12 | -2.08 | 0.038 | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.17 | 0.030 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.19 | 0.846 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.19 | 0.846 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.24 | 0.12 | -2.08 | 0.038 | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.16 | 0.031 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.19 | 0.850 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.06 | 0.954 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.11 | 0.13 | -0.88 | 0.380 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.88 | 0.377 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.30 | 0.768 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.30 | 0.768 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | Cmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.15 | 0.13 | 1.16 | 0.247 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 1.17 | 0.242 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | Cmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.10 | 0.16 | 0.58 | 0.562 | 0.08 | 0.13 | 0.58 | 0.561 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | Cmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.26 | 0.12 | -2.18 | 0.029 | -0.29 | 0.13 | -2.27 | 0.023 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | Cmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.01 | 0.15 | 0.07 | 0.947 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.07 | 0.947 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 28.71 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 84.79 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | Cmic | ~ | Cmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.88 | 0.09 | 10.03 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.02 | 0.02 | -0.70 | 0.484 | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.71 | 0.481 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.26 | 0.792 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.26 | 0.792 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.27 | 0.12 | -2.31 | 0.021 | -0.31 | 0.13 | -2.43 | 0.015 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.01 | 0.15 | 0.09 | 0.928 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.09 | 0.928 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.27 | 0.12 | -2.31 | 0.021 | -0.31 | 0.13 | -2.42 | 0.015 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.01 | 0.15 | 0.09 | 0.933 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.06 | 0.956 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|---------|-------------|----------------|--------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| Central | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.23 | 0.821 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.23 | 0.821 |
| Central | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.87 | 0.385 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.88 | 0.382 |
| Central | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Cmic | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.98 | 0.325 | 0.13 | 0.13 | 0.99 | 0.321 |
| Central | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Cmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.25 | 0.12 | -2.13 | 0.033 | -0.29 | 0.13 | -2.22 | 0.026 |
| Central | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Cmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.01 | 0.15 | 0.05 | 0.964 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.05 | 0.964 |
| Central | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 27.60 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Cmic | ~ | Cmic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.90 | 0.08 | 11.35 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.22 | 0.825 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.22 | 0.825 |
| Central | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.65 | 0.515 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.65 | 0.513 |
| Central | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.25 | 0.12 | -2.08 | 0.038 | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.17 | 0.030 |
| Central | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.17 | 0.869 | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.17 | 0.869 |
| Central | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.25 | 0.12 | -2.08 | 0.038 | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.16 | 0.031 |
| Central | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.16 | 0.873 | 0.00 | 0.14 | 0.03 | 0.976 |
| Central | Cmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.07 | 0.12 | 0.60 | 0.548 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.60 | 0.547 |
| Central | Cmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.47 | 0.642 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.47 | 0.641 |
| Central | Cmic | Lignin_content | Cmic | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.38 | 0.702 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.38 | 0.702 |
| Central | Cmic | Lignin_content | Cmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.25 | 0.12 | -2.11 | 0.035 | -0.29 | 0.13 | -2.20 | 0.028 |
| Central | Cmic | Lignin_content | Cmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.14 | 0.889 | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.889 |
| Central | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | Cmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 32.09 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic | Lignin_content | Cmic | ~ | Cmic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.07 | 12.32 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.32 | 0.747 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.32 | 0.747 |
| Central | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.30 | 0.768 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.30 | 0.768 |
| Central | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.25 | 0.12 | -2.08 | 0.038 | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.17 | 0.030 |
| Central | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.17 | 0.869 | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.17 | 0.869 |
| Central | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.25 | 0.12 | -2.08 | 0.038 | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.16 | 0.031 |
| Central | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.16 | 0.873 | 0.00 | 0.14 | 0.03 | 0.976 |
| Central | Cmic | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.04 | 0.11 | -0.32 | 0.747 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.32 | 0.747 |
| Central | Cmic | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.16 | 0.15 | -1.07 | 0.286 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.08 | 0.280 |
| Central | Cmic | pH | Cmic | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.00 | 0.14 | -0.02 | 0.985 | 0.00 | 0.13 | -0.02 | 0.985 |
| Central | Cmic | pH | Cmic | ~ | pH_change | d | -0.15 | 0.15 | -1.05 | 0.296 | -0.14 | 0.13 | -1.06 | 0.291 |
| Central | Cmic | pH | Cmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.26 | 0.12 | -2.23 | 0.026 | -0.30 | 0.13 | -2.33 | 0.020 |
| Central | Cmic | pH | Cmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.00 | 0.15 | 0.02 | 0.983 | 0.00 | 0.14 | 0.02 | 0.983 |
| Central | Cmic | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | Cmic | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.64 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 23.68 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic | pH | Cmic | ~ | Cmic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.89 | 0.08 | 10.85 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.985 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.985 |
| Central | Cmic | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.75 | 0.455 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.75 | 0.453 |
| Central | Cmic | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.26 | 0.12 | -2.23 | 0.026 | -0.30 | 0.13 | -2.33 | 0.020 |
| Central | Cmic | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.18 | 0.860 | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.18 | 0.860 |
| Central | Cmic | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.26 | 0.12 | -2.23 | 0.026 | -0.30 | 0.13 | -2.32 | 0.020 |
| Central | Cmic | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.17 | 0.864 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.03 | 0.972 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.53 | 0.09 | 5.84 | 0.000 | 0.64 | 0.08 | 7.58 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.05 | 0.11 | -0.46 | 0.647 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.46 | 0.646 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | Nmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.17 | 0.15 | -1.12 | 0.264 | -0.18 | 0.16 | -1.13 | 0.259 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | Nmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | -0.03 | 0.17 | -0.17 | 0.862 | -0.02 | 0.13 | -0.17 | 0.862 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.25 | 0.13 | -2.00 | 0.045 | -0.32 | 0.16 | -2.06 | 0.039 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.64 | 0.524 | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.64 | 0.523 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.59 | 0.11 | 5.55 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 54.73 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | Nmic | ~ | Nmic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.78 | 0.10 | 7.49 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.09 | 0.08 | -1.10 | 0.272 | -0.12 | 0.10 | -1.11 | 0.267 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.16 | 0.871 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.16 | 0.871 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.34 | 0.10 | -3.47 | 0.001 | -0.44 | 0.11 | -3.86 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.63 | 0.530 | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.63 | 0.529 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.34 | 0.10 | -3.48 | 0.001 | -0.44 | 0.11 | -3.91 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.64 | 0.524 | -0.11 | 0.14 | -0.77 | 0.442 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|---------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| Central | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.11 | 0.13 | -0.88 | 0.380 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.88 | 0.377 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.30 | 0.768 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.30 | 0.768 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | Nmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.14 | 0.11 | 1.25 | 0.211 | 0.16 | 0.13 | 1.26 | 0.207 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | Nmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.67 | 0.502 | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.67 | 0.501 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.30 | 0.10 | -3.09 | 0.002 | -0.39 | 0.12 | -3.33 | 0.001 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.10 | 0.12 | -0.77 | 0.444 | -0.10 | 0.13 | -0.77 | 0.442 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 28.71 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 84.79 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | Nmic | ~ | Nmic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.79 | 0.10 | 7.66 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.02 | 0.02 | -0.72 | 0.473 | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.73 | 0.468 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.27 | 0.787 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.27 | 0.787 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.31 | 0.10 | -3.21 | 0.001 | -0.41 | 0.12 | -3.52 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.10 | 0.13 | -0.79 | 0.429 | -0.10 | 0.13 | -0.79 | 0.428 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.31 | 0.10 | -3.22 | 0.001 | -0.42 | 0.12 | -3.57 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.10 | 0.13 | -0.80 | 0.425 | -0.13 | 0.14 | -0.92 | 0.360 |
| Central | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.23 | 0.821 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.23 | 0.821 |
| Central | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.87 | 0.385 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.88 | 0.382 |
| Central | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Nmic | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.10 | 0.12 | 0.81 | 0.417 | 0.10 | 0.13 | 0.82 | 0.415 |
| Central | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.34 | 0.10 | -3.52 | 0.000 | -0.44 | 0.11 | -3.91 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.10 | 0.13 | -0.76 | 0.445 | -0.10 | 0.13 | -0.77 | 0.444 |
| Central | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 27.60 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Nmic | ~ | Nmic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.79 | 0.10 | 7.64 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.22 | 0.827 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.22 | 0.827 |
| Central | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.59 | 0.553 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.59 | 0.553 |
| Central | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.34 | 0.10 | -3.47 | 0.001 | -0.44 | 0.11 | -3.85 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.67 | 0.506 | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.67 | 0.505 |
| Central | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.34 | 0.10 | -3.47 | 0.001 | -0.44 | 0.11 | -3.91 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.09 | 0.13 | -0.67 | 0.501 | -0.11 | 0.14 | -0.80 | 0.422 |
| Central | Nmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.07 | 0.12 | 0.60 | 0.548 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.60 | 0.547 |
| Central | Nmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.47 | 0.642 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.47 | 0.641 |
| Central | Nmic | Lignin_content | Nmic | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.12 | 0.11 | 1.07 | 0.283 | 0.14 | 0.13 | 1.08 | 0.280 |
| Central | Nmic | Lignin_content | Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.35 | 0.10 | -3.59 | 0.000 | -0.45 | 0.11 | -3.99 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | Lignin_content | Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.09 | 0.13 | -0.74 | 0.459 | -0.09 | 0.13 | -0.74 | 0.457 |
| Central | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | Nmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 32.09 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | Lignin_content | Nmic | ~ | Nmic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.78 | 0.10 | 7.50 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.52 | 0.600 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.52 | 0.601 |
| Central | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.43 | 0.670 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.43 | 0.670 |
| Central | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.34 | 0.10 | -3.47 | 0.001 | -0.44 | 0.11 | -3.85 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.67 | 0.506 | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.67 | 0.505 |
| Central | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.34 | 0.10 | -3.47 | 0.001 | -0.44 | 0.11 | -3.91 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.09 | 0.13 | -0.67 | 0.501 | -0.11 | 0.14 | -0.80 | 0.422 |
| Central | Nmic | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.04 | 0.11 | -0.32 | 0.747 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.32 | 0.747 |
| Central | Nmic | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.16 | 0.15 | -1.07 | 0.286 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.08 | 0.280 |
| Central | Nmic | pH | Nmic | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.07 | 0.12 | 0.58 | 0.562 | 0.07 | 0.13 | 0.58 | 0.561 |
| Central | Nmic | pH | Nmic | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.06 | 0.12 | 0.48 | 0.633 | 0.06 | 0.13 | 0.48 | 0.633 |
| Central | Nmic | pH | Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.33 | 0.10 | -3.38 | 0.001 | -0.43 | 0.11 | -3.73 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | pH | Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.09 | 0.13 | -0.72 | 0.474 | -0.09 | 0.13 | -0.72 | 0.472 |
| Central | Nmic | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | Nmic | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.64 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 23.68 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | pH | Nmic | ~ | Nmic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.79 | 0.10 | 7.74 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Nmic | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Nmic | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.28 | 0.778 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.28 | 0.778 |
| Central | Nmic | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.44 | 0.663 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.44 | 0.663 |
| Central | Nmic | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.33 | 0.10 | -3.40 | 0.001 | -0.43 | 0.11 | -3.76 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.10 | 0.13 | -0.80 | 0.427 | -0.10 | 0.13 | -0.80 | 0.425 |
| Central | Nmic | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.33 | 0.10 | -3.41 | 0.001 | -0.44 | 0.11 | -3.82 | 0.000 |
| Central | Nmic | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.10 | 0.13 | -0.80 | 0.422 | -0.13 | 0.14 | -0.92 | 0.357 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|---------|-----------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.53 | 0.09 | 5.84 | 0.000 | 0.64 | 0.08 | 7.58 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.05 | 0.11 | -0.46 | 0.647 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.46 | 0.646 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.02 | 0.18 | 0.11 | 0.915 | 0.02 | 0.17 | 0.11 | 0.915 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.07 | 0.21 | 0.36 | 0.722 | 0.05 | 0.13 | 0.36 | 0.721 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.27 | 0.15 | 1.78 | 0.076 | 0.31 | 0.17 | 1.83 | 0.067 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.07 | 0.15 | -0.48 | 0.633 | -0.06 | 0.13 | -0.48 | 0.633 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.59 | 0.11 | 5.55 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 54.73 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~~ | RatioCmic_Nmic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.89 | 0.08 | 10.83 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.11 | 0.915 | 0.01 | 0.11 | 0.11 | 0.915 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.28 | 0.779 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.28 | 0.778 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.28 | 0.12 | 2.39 | 0.017 | 0.32 | 0.13 | 2.52 | 0.012 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.08 | 0.15 | -0.50 | 0.617 | -0.07 | 0.13 | -0.50 | 0.616 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.28 | 0.12 | 2.39 | 0.017 | 0.32 | 0.13 | 2.49 | 0.013 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.08 | 0.15 | -0.49 | 0.621 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.33 | 0.741 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.11 | 0.13 | -0.88 | 0.380 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.88 | 0.377 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.30 | 0.768 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.30 | 0.768 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.10 | 0.921 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.10 | 0.921 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.22 | 0.17 | 1.32 | 0.187 | 0.18 | 0.13 | 1.34 | 0.180 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.89 | 0.059 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 1.95 | 0.052 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.08 | 0.15 | -0.53 | 0.595 | -0.07 | 0.13 | -0.53 | 0.594 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 28.71 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 84.79 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~~ | RatioCmic_Nmic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.90 | 0.08 | 11.40 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.10 | 0.922 | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.10 | 0.922 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.29 | 0.773 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.29 | 0.773 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.89 | 0.059 | 0.25 | 0.13 | 1.95 | 0.051 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.07 | 0.15 | -0.47 | 0.639 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.47 | 0.638 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.89 | 0.059 | 0.25 | 0.13 | 1.92 | 0.056 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.07 | 0.15 | -0.46 | 0.642 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.34 | 0.734 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.23 | 0.821 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.23 | 0.821 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.87 | 0.385 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.88 | 0.382 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | -0.16 | 0.14 | -1.14 | 0.254 | -0.15 | 0.13 | -1.15 | 0.249 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.29 | 0.12 | 2.45 | 0.014 | 0.32 | 0.13 | 2.58 | 0.010 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.06 | 0.15 | -0.36 | 0.719 | -0.05 | 0.13 | -0.36 | 0.719 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 27.60 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~~ | RatioCmic_Nmic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.87 | 0.09 | 9.94 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.22 | 0.824 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.22 | 0.824 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.69 | 0.489 | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.69 | 0.488 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.28 | 0.12 | 2.38 | 0.017 | 0.32 | 0.13 | 2.51 | 0.012 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.08 | 0.15 | -0.50 | 0.620 | -0.07 | 0.13 | -0.50 | 0.619 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.28 | 0.12 | 2.38 | 0.017 | 0.32 | 0.13 | 2.47 | 0.013 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.08 | 0.15 | -0.49 | 0.624 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.33 | 0.744 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.07 | 0.12 | 0.60 | 0.548 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.60 | 0.547 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.47 | 0.642 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.47 | 0.641 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | Lignin_content | c | -0.08 | 0.14 | -0.57 | 0.570 | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.57 | 0.569 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.29 | 0.12 | 2.43 | 0.015 | 0.33 | 0.13 | 2.56 | 0.010 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.07 | 0.15 | -0.46 | 0.646 | -0.06 | 0.13 | -0.46 | 0.646 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 32.09 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~~ | RatioCmic_Nmic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.89 | 0.08 | 10.69 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.41 | 0.680 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.41 | 0.680 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.36 | 0.719 | -0.01 | 0.01 | -0.36 | 0.719 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.28 | 0.12 | 2.38 | 0.017 | 0.32 | 0.13 | 2.51 | 0.012 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.08 | 0.15 | -0.50 | 0.620 | -0.07 | 0.13 | -0.50 | 0.619 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.28 | 0.12 | 2.38 | 0.017 | 0.32 | 0.13 | 2.47 | 0.013 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.08 | 0.15 | -0.49 | 0.624 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.33 | 0.744 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|---------|-----------------|---------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.04 | 0.11 | -0.32 | 0.747 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.32 | 0.747 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.16 | 0.15 | -1.07 | 0.286 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.08 | 0.280 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | pH_historic | c | -0.50 | 0.14 | -3.68 | 0.000 | -0.42 | 0.11 | -3.97 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | pH_change | d | -0.37 | 0.14 | -2.74 | 0.006 | -0.32 | 0.11 | -2.83 | 0.005 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.22 | 0.11 | 2.05 | 0.041 | 0.24 | 0.11 | 2.08 | 0.037 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.897 | -0.02 | 0.12 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | pH_historic | ~~ | pH_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.64 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | pH_change | ~~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 23.68 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~~ | RatioCmic_Nmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.66 | 0.11 | 6.26 | 0.000 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.02 | 0.06 | 0.32 | 0.748 | 0.02 | 0.06 | 0.32 | 0.747 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.06 | 0.06 | 1.00 | 0.320 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 1.00 | 0.317 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.24 | 0.12 | 1.97 | 0.049 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 2.03 | 0.043 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.26 | 0.793 | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.26 | 0.793 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.24 | 0.12 | 1.97 | 0.049 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 2.05 | 0.041 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.27 | 0.789 | 0.05 | 0.13 | 0.38 | 0.704 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.54 | 0.09 | 5.79 | 0.000 | 0.65 | 0.09 | 7.65 | 0.000 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.07 | 0.11 | -0.59 | 0.557 | -0.09 | 0.15 | -0.59 | 0.555 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | Pmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.34 | 0.19 | 1.78 | 0.075 | 0.33 | 0.18 | 1.84 | 0.066 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | Pmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.21 | 0.21 | 0.98 | 0.326 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.99 | 0.322 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | Pmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.10 | 0.16 | -0.62 | 0.536 | -0.12 | 0.19 | -0.62 | 0.534 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | Pmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.08 | 0.16 | 0.52 | 0.605 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.52 | 0.604 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.48 | 0.629 | 0.07 | 0.15 | 0.49 | 0.626 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.57 | 0.11 | 5.13 | 0.000 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 38.44 | 0.000 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | Pmic | ~~ | Pmic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.90 | 0.08 | 10.81 | 0.000 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.02 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.18 | 0.11 | 1.70 | 0.089 | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.75 | 0.080 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.50 | 0.614 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.51 | 0.614 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.09 | 0.12 | 0.69 | 0.489 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.70 | 0.487 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.43 | 0.668 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.43 | 0.668 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.09 | 0.12 | 0.69 | 0.487 | 0.11 | 0.15 | 0.73 | 0.467 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.43 | 0.667 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.48 | 0.632 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.92 | 0.359 | -0.14 | 0.15 | -0.93 | 0.354 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.17 | 0.868 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.17 | 0.868 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | Pmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.05 | 0.957 | 0.01 | 0.15 | 0.05 | 0.957 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | Pmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.10 | 0.17 | 0.58 | 0.564 | 0.09 | 0.15 | 0.58 | 0.563 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | Pmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.05 | 0.12 | 0.44 | 0.661 | 0.07 | 0.15 | 0.44 | 0.660 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | Pmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.06 | 0.16 | 0.37 | 0.711 | 0.06 | 0.15 | 0.37 | 0.711 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.48 | 0.629 | 0.07 | 0.15 | 0.49 | 0.626 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 24.75 | 0.000 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 135.81 | 0.000 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | Pmic | ~~ | Pmic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.04 | 27.13 | 0.000 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.02 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.05 | 0.957 | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.05 | 0.957 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.16 | 0.873 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.16 | 0.873 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.05 | 0.12 | 0.44 | 0.663 | 0.07 | 0.15 | 0.44 | 0.663 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.06 | 0.16 | 0.38 | 0.701 | 0.06 | 0.15 | 0.38 | 0.701 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.05 | 0.12 | 0.44 | 0.662 | 0.07 | 0.15 | 0.47 | 0.642 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.06 | 0.16 | 0.39 | 0.700 | 0.06 | 0.15 | 0.42 | 0.677 |
| Central | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.13 | 0.21 | 0.836 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.21 | 0.836 |
| Central | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.14 | 0.16 | 0.85 | 0.393 | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.86 | 0.390 |
| Central | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Pmic | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | -0.16 | 0.15 | -1.07 | 0.284 | -0.16 | 0.15 | -1.09 | 0.278 |
| Central | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Pmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.09 | 0.12 | 0.72 | 0.472 | 0.11 | 0.15 | 0.72 | 0.469 |
| Central | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Pmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.08 | 0.16 | 0.51 | 0.611 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.51 | 0.611 |
| Central | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.48 | 0.629 | 0.07 | 0.15 | 0.49 | 0.626 |
| Central | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 25.37 | 0.000 |
| Central | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Pmic | ~~ | Pmic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.96 | 0.06 | 17.09 | 0.000 |
| Central | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.02 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.20 | 0.839 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.20 | 0.839 |
| Central | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.67 | 0.504 | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.67 | 0.503 |
| Central | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.08 | 0.12 | 0.68 | 0.497 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.68 | 0.495 |
| Central | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.06 | 0.16 | 0.37 | 0.711 | 0.06 | 0.15 | 0.37 | 0.710 |
| Central | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.08 | 0.12 | 0.68 | 0.496 | 0.11 | 0.15 | 0.71 | 0.478 |
| Central | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.06 | 0.16 | 0.37 | 0.709 | 0.06 | 0.15 | 0.42 | 0.675 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|---------|------------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| Central | Pmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.10 | 0.13 | 0.75 | 0.455 | 0.11 | 0.15 | 0.75 | 0.452 |
| Central | Pmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.07 | 0.17 | 0.38 | 0.703 | 0.06 | 0.15 | 0.38 | 0.703 |
| Central | Pmic | Lignin_content | Pmic | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.00 | 0.14 | 0.02 | 0.984 | 0.00 | 0.15 | 0.02 | 0.984 |
| Central | Pmic | Lignin_content | Pmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.08 | 0.12 | 0.67 | 0.501 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.68 | 0.499 |
| Central | Pmic | Lignin_content | Pmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.06 | 0.16 | 0.37 | 0.712 | 0.06 | 0.15 | 0.37 | 0.711 |
| Central | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.48 | 0.629 | 0.07 | 0.15 | 0.49 | 0.626 |
| Central | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 26.22 | 0.000 |
| Central | Pmic | Lignin_content | Pmic | ~ | Pmic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.04 | 28.36 | 0.000 |
| Central | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.02 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.984 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.984 |
| Central | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.984 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.984 |
| Central | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.08 | 0.12 | 0.68 | 0.497 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.68 | 0.495 |
| Central | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.06 | 0.16 | 0.37 | 0.711 | 0.06 | 0.15 | 0.37 | 0.710 |
| Central | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.08 | 0.12 | 0.68 | 0.496 | 0.11 | 0.15 | 0.71 | 0.478 |
| Central | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.06 | 0.16 | 0.37 | 0.709 | 0.06 | 0.15 | 0.42 | 0.675 |
| Central | Pmic | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.02 | 0.12 | -0.16 | 0.875 | -0.02 | 0.15 | -0.16 | 0.875 |
| Central | Pmic | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.16 | 0.16 | -1.01 | 0.314 | -0.15 | 0.15 | -1.02 | 0.309 |
| Central | Pmic | pH | Pmic | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.22 | 0.15 | 1.46 | 0.143 | 0.21 | 0.14 | 1.50 | 0.135 |
| Central | Pmic | pH | Pmic | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.16 | 0.15 | 1.04 | 0.297 | 0.15 | 0.14 | 1.05 | 0.292 |
| Central | Pmic | pH | Pmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.11 | 0.12 | 0.92 | 0.357 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.93 | 0.353 |
| Central | Pmic | pH | Pmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.04 | 0.16 | 0.23 | 0.820 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.23 | 0.820 |
| Central | Pmic | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.48 | 0.629 | 0.07 | 0.15 | 0.49 | 0.626 |
| Central | Pmic | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 143.35 | 0.000 |
| Central | Pmic | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 22.61 | 0.000 |
| Central | Pmic | pH | Pmic | ~ | Pmic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.08 | 11.79 | 0.000 |
| Central | Pmic | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.02 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Pmic | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | Pmic | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.03 | -0.16 | 0.876 | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.16 | 0.876 |
| Central | Pmic | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.03 | 0.03 | -0.72 | 0.469 | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.73 | 0.467 |
| Central | Pmic | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.11 | 0.12 | 0.87 | 0.386 | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.87 | 0.382 |
| Central | Pmic | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.01 | 0.16 | 0.07 | 0.941 | 0.01 | 0.15 | 0.07 | 0.941 |
| Central | Pmic | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.11 | 0.12 | 0.87 | 0.385 | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.88 | 0.378 |
| Central | Pmic | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.01 | 0.16 | 0.08 | 0.939 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.14 | 0.892 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.53 | 0.09 | 5.84 | 0.000 | 0.64 | 0.08 | 7.58 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.05 | 0.11 | -0.46 | 0.647 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.46 | 0.646 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Glucosidase | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.16 | 0.11 | -1.47 | 0.141 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.48 | 0.139 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Glucosidase | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | -0.59 | 0.12 | -4.76 | 0.000 | -0.53 | 0.10 | -5.45 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.08 | 0.09 | -0.84 | 0.401 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.84 | 0.400 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.13 | 0.09 | 1.43 | 0.153 | 0.16 | 0.11 | 1.44 | 0.151 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.59 | 0.11 | 5.55 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 54.73 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Glucosidase | ~ | Glucosidase | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.61 | 0.10 | 5.82 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.09 | 0.06 | -1.43 | 0.154 | -0.13 | 0.09 | -1.44 | 0.150 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.03 | 0.06 | 0.46 | 0.649 | 0.03 | 0.07 | 0.46 | 0.647 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.16 | 0.07 | -2.25 | 0.024 | -0.25 | 0.11 | -2.29 | 0.022 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.16 | 0.11 | 1.44 | 0.149 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 1.47 | 0.143 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.16 | 0.07 | -2.25 | 0.025 | -0.24 | 0.11 | -2.12 | 0.034 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.16 | 0.11 | 1.44 | 0.150 | 0.18 | 0.14 | 1.30 | 0.195 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.11 | 0.13 | -0.88 | 0.380 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.88 | 0.377 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.30 | 0.768 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.30 | 0.768 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Glucosidase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | -0.17 | 0.09 | -1.84 | 0.065 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.89 | 0.059 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Glucosidase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.08 | 0.12 | -0.67 | 0.503 | -0.09 | 0.13 | -0.67 | 0.502 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.15 | 0.08 | -1.86 | 0.063 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.91 | 0.056 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.17 | 0.11 | 1.61 | 0.108 | 0.21 | 0.13 | 1.64 | 0.102 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 28.71 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 84.79 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Glucosidase | ~ | Glucosidase | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.85 | 0.09 | 9.27 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.79 | 0.428 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.79 | 0.428 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.27 | 0.787 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.27 | 0.787 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.14 | 0.09 | -1.59 | 0.111 | -0.22 | 0.13 | -1.63 | 0.103 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.17 | 0.11 | 1.57 | 0.116 | 0.21 | 0.13 | 1.60 | 0.109 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.14 | 0.09 | -1.59 | 0.113 | -0.20 | 0.14 | -1.50 | 0.135 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.17 | 0.11 | 1.57 | 0.117 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 1.46 | 0.145 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|---------|------------------|----------------|--------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.23 | 0.821 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.23 | 0.821 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.87 | 0.385 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.88 | 0.382 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Glucosidase | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.21 | 0.10 | 2.09 | 0.037 | 0.27 | 0.13 | 2.16 | 0.031 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.16 | 0.08 | -1.98 | 0.047 | -0.26 | 0.13 | -2.04 | 0.041 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.13 | 0.11 | 1.20 | 0.232 | 0.16 | 0.13 | 1.21 | 0.227 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 27.60 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Glucosidase | ~ | Glucosidase | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.84 | 0.10 | 8.72 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.23 | 0.822 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.23 | 0.822 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.80 | 0.423 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.81 | 0.418 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.16 | 0.09 | -1.84 | 0.066 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.90 | 0.058 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.15 | 0.11 | 1.40 | 0.161 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 1.43 | 0.154 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.16 | 0.09 | -1.83 | 0.067 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.77 | 0.077 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.15 | 0.11 | 1.40 | 0.162 | 0.17 | 0.14 | 1.27 | 0.206 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.07 | 0.12 | 0.60 | 0.548 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.60 | 0.547 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.47 | 0.642 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.47 | 0.641 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Glucosidase | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.10 | 0.10 | 1.04 | 0.300 | 0.14 | 0.13 | 1.05 | 0.296 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.16 | 0.09 | -1.94 | 0.052 | -0.26 | 0.13 | -2.00 | 0.045 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.15 | 0.11 | 1.35 | 0.178 | 0.18 | 0.13 | 1.37 | 0.172 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 32.09 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Glucosidase | ~ | Glucosidase | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.89 | 0.08 | 10.63 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.52 | 0.603 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.52 | 0.603 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.42 | 0.672 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.43 | 0.671 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.16 | 0.09 | -1.84 | 0.066 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.90 | 0.058 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.15 | 0.11 | 1.40 | 0.161 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 1.43 | 0.154 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.16 | 0.09 | -1.83 | 0.067 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.77 | 0.077 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.15 | 0.11 | 1.40 | 0.162 | 0.17 | 0.14 | 1.27 | 0.206 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.04 | 0.11 | -0.32 | 0.747 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.32 | 0.747 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.16 | 0.15 | -1.07 | 0.286 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.08 | 0.280 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | Glucosidase | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.09 | 0.10 | 0.83 | 0.409 | 0.11 | 0.13 | 0.83 | 0.406 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | Glucosidase | ~ | pH_change | d | -0.04 | 0.11 | -0.41 | 0.680 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.41 | 0.679 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.16 | 0.08 | -1.86 | 0.063 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.92 | 0.055 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.13 | 0.11 | 1.17 | 0.244 | 0.16 | 0.13 | 1.18 | 0.238 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.64 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 23.68 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | Glucosidase | ~ | Glucosidase | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.90 | 0.08 | 11.07 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.30 | 0.764 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.30 | 0.764 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.39 | 0.700 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.39 | 0.700 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.16 | 0.09 | -1.89 | 0.059 | -0.26 | 0.13 | -1.95 | 0.051 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.14 | 0.11 | 1.24 | 0.215 | 0.17 | 0.13 | 1.26 | 0.209 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.16 | 0.09 | -1.88 | 0.060 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.84 | 0.066 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.14 | 0.11 | 1.24 | 0.217 | 0.15 | 0.14 | 1.10 | 0.274 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.47 | 0.09 | 5.05 | 0.000 | 0.59 | 0.09 | 6.24 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.04 | 0.11 | -0.35 | 0.724 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.35 | 0.724 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Xylosidase | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.29 | 0.773 | 0.05 | 0.16 | 0.29 | 0.773 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Xylosidase | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | -0.41 | 0.13 | -3.08 | 0.002 | -0.39 | 0.12 | -3.31 | 0.001 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.15 | 0.10 | -1.45 | 0.147 | -0.23 | 0.15 | -1.47 | 0.142 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.16 | 0.10 | 1.56 | 0.119 | 0.20 | 0.12 | 1.58 | 0.113 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.06 | 0.949 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.06 | 0.949 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.65 | 0.11 | 5.89 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 68.09 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Xylosidase | ~ | Xylosidase | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.76 | 0.11 | 7.20 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.02 | 0.06 | 0.29 | 0.774 | 0.03 | 0.09 | 0.29 | 0.774 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.35 | 0.726 | 0.02 | 0.06 | 0.35 | 0.725 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.13 | 0.08 | -1.58 | 0.114 | -0.20 | 0.12 | -1.61 | 0.108 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.17 | 0.11 | 1.57 | 0.116 | 0.22 | 0.14 | 1.61 | 0.108 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.13 | 0.08 | -1.58 | 0.114 | -0.20 | 0.13 | -1.55 | 0.122 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.17 | 0.11 | 1.57 | 0.116 | 0.22 | 0.14 | 1.56 | 0.118 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|---------|-----------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.07 | 0.13 | -0.53 | 0.596 | -0.08 | 0.14 | -0.53 | 0.595 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.08 | 0.935 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.08 | 0.935 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Xylosidase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | -0.12 | 0.10 | -1.23 | 0.218 | -0.17 | 0.13 | -1.25 | 0.213 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Xylosidase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.08 | 0.12 | 0.62 | 0.533 | 0.08 | 0.13 | 0.63 | 0.532 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.16 | 0.09 | -1.78 | 0.076 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.82 | 0.068 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.19 | 0.11 | 1.72 | 0.085 | 0.23 | 0.13 | 1.76 | 0.078 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.06 | 0.949 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.06 | 0.949 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 45.45 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 295.85 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Xylosidase | ~ | Xylosidase | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.86 | 0.09 | 9.40 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.49 | 0.627 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.49 | 0.627 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.08 | 0.936 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.08 | 0.936 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.15 | 0.09 | -1.66 | 0.097 | -0.23 | 0.13 | -1.70 | 0.089 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.19 | 0.11 | 1.72 | 0.085 | 0.23 | 0.13 | 1.77 | 0.078 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.15 | 0.09 | -1.66 | 0.097 | -0.22 | 0.14 | -1.64 | 0.101 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.19 | 0.11 | 1.72 | 0.085 | 0.23 | 0.14 | 1.70 | 0.089 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.09 | 0.925 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.09 | 0.925 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.10 | 0.16 | 0.65 | 0.518 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.65 | 0.516 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Xylosidase | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.25 | 0.10 | 2.53 | 0.011 | 0.33 | 0.12 | 2.67 | 0.008 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.13 | 0.08 | -1.49 | 0.137 | -0.19 | 0.13 | -1.51 | 0.131 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.15 | 0.11 | 1.42 | 0.156 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 1.44 | 0.150 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.06 | 0.949 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.06 | 0.949 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 36.93 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Xylosidase | ~ | Xylosidase | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.81 | 0.10 | 7.90 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.03 | -0.09 | 0.925 | 0.00 | 0.05 | -0.09 | 0.925 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.63 | 0.531 | 0.03 | 0.05 | 0.63 | 0.527 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.13 | 0.09 | -1.43 | 0.153 | -0.20 | 0.14 | -1.46 | 0.145 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.17 | 0.11 | 1.56 | 0.119 | 0.22 | 0.14 | 1.60 | 0.110 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.13 | 0.09 | -1.43 | 0.153 | -0.20 | 0.14 | -1.41 | 0.159 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.17 | 0.11 | 1.56 | 0.119 | 0.21 | 0.14 | 1.55 | 0.121 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.07 | 0.13 | 0.53 | 0.595 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.53 | 0.594 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.45 | 0.656 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.655 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Xylosidase | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.23 | 0.09 | 2.55 | 0.011 | 0.33 | 0.12 | 2.68 | 0.007 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.14 | 0.08 | -1.72 | 0.086 | -0.22 | 0.13 | -1.75 | 0.080 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.16 | 0.11 | 1.50 | 0.135 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 1.52 | 0.129 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.06 | 0.949 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.06 | 0.949 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 34.64 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Xylosidase | ~ | Xylosidase | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.81 | 0.10 | 7.87 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.52 | 0.603 | 0.03 | 0.05 | 0.52 | 0.604 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.44 | 0.661 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.44 | 0.659 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.13 | 0.09 | -1.43 | 0.153 | -0.20 | 0.14 | -1.46 | 0.145 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.17 | 0.11 | 1.56 | 0.119 | 0.22 | 0.14 | 1.60 | 0.110 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.13 | 0.09 | -1.43 | 0.153 | -0.20 | 0.14 | -1.41 | 0.159 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.17 | 0.11 | 1.56 | 0.119 | 0.21 | 0.14 | 1.55 | 0.121 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.11 | 0.911 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.11 | 0.911 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.15 | 0.15 | -0.99 | 0.321 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -1.00 | 0.316 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | Xylosidase | ~ | pH_historic | c | -0.03 | 0.10 | -0.33 | 0.742 | -0.04 | 0.13 | -0.33 | 0.742 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | Xylosidase | ~ | pH_change | d | -0.22 | 0.10 | -2.12 | 0.034 | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.20 | 0.028 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.15 | 0.09 | -1.75 | 0.080 | -0.23 | 0.13 | -1.79 | 0.074 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.15 | 0.11 | 1.38 | 0.167 | 0.18 | 0.13 | 1.40 | 0.161 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.06 | 0.949 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.06 | 0.949 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 215.93 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 24.43 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | Xylosidase | ~ | Xylosidase | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 0.82 | 0.10 | 8.28 | 0.000 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.90 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.11 | 0.916 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.11 | 0.916 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.90 | 0.369 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.91 | 0.362 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.15 | 0.09 | -1.74 | 0.082 | -0.23 | 0.13 | -1.78 | 0.075 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.18 | 0.11 | 1.63 | 0.104 | 0.22 | 0.13 | 1.67 | 0.096 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.15 | 0.09 | -1.74 | 0.082 | -0.23 | 0.13 | -1.72 | 0.086 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.18 | 0.11 | 1.63 | 0.104 | 0.22 | 0.14 | 1.61 | 0.108 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|---------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| Central | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.53 | 0.09 | 5.84 | 0.000 | 0.64 | 0.08 | 7.58 | 0.000 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.05 | 0.11 | -0.46 | 0.647 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.46 | 0.646 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | Chitinase | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.09 | 0.12 | -0.76 | 0.449 | -0.12 | 0.16 | -0.76 | 0.447 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | Chitinase | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | -0.42 | 0.14 | -3.00 | 0.003 | -0.36 | 0.11 | -3.18 | 0.001 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.19 | 0.10 | -1.83 | 0.067 | -0.29 | 0.15 | -1.87 | 0.062 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.02 | 0.10 | 0.14 | 0.886 | 0.02 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.886 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.59 | 0.11 | 5.55 | 0.000 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 54.73 | 0.000 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | Chitinase | ~~ | Chitinase | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.73 | 0.10 | 7.04 | 0.000 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.05 | 0.07 | -0.75 | 0.453 | -0.08 | 0.10 | -0.75 | 0.451 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.45 | 0.651 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.24 | 0.08 | -2.98 | 0.003 | -0.36 | 0.12 | -3.16 | 0.002 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.04 | 0.11 | 0.31 | 0.756 | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.31 | 0.756 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.24 | 0.08 | -2.98 | 0.003 | -0.36 | 0.12 | -3.13 | 0.002 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.30 | 0.761 | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.13 | 0.900 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.11 | 0.13 | -0.88 | 0.380 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.88 | 0.377 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.30 | 0.768 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.30 | 0.768 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | Chitinase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | -0.02 | 0.10 | -0.23 | 0.815 | -0.03 | 0.13 | -0.23 | 0.815 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | Chitinase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.06 | 0.953 | -0.01 | 0.13 | -0.06 | 0.953 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.24 | 0.09 | -2.70 | 0.007 | -0.36 | 0.13 | -2.89 | 0.004 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.30 | 0.764 | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.30 | 0.764 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 28.71 | 0.000 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 84.79 | 0.000 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | Chitinase | ~~ | Chitinase | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.87 | 0.09 | 9.90 | 0.000 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.23 | 0.821 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.23 | 0.821 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.06 | 0.954 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.06 | 0.954 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.23 | 0.09 | -2.69 | 0.007 | -0.36 | 0.12 | -2.88 | 0.004 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.30 | 0.766 | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.30 | 0.766 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.23 | 0.09 | -2.69 | 0.007 | -0.35 | 0.12 | -2.86 | 0.004 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.29 | 0.771 | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.12 | 0.906 |
| Central | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.23 | 0.821 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.23 | 0.821 |
| Central | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.87 | 0.385 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.88 | 0.382 |
| Central | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Chitinase | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.14 | 0.10 | 1.37 | 0.171 | 0.18 | 0.13 | 1.39 | 0.166 |
| Central | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.24 | 0.09 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.36 | 0.12 | -3.00 | 0.003 |
| Central | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.01 | 0.11 | 0.12 | 0.907 | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.12 | 0.907 |
| Central | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 27.60 | 0.000 |
| Central | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Chitinase | ~~ | Chitinase | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.84 | 0.10 | 8.85 | 0.000 |
| Central | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.22 | 0.823 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.22 | 0.823 |
| Central | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.73 | 0.463 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.74 | 0.462 |
| Central | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.24 | 0.09 | -2.71 | 0.007 | -0.36 | 0.12 | -2.90 | 0.004 |
| Central | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.28 | 0.779 | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.28 | 0.779 |
| Central | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.24 | 0.09 | -2.71 | 0.007 | -0.36 | 0.12 | -2.88 | 0.004 |
| Central | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.27 | 0.784 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.10 | 0.920 |
| Central | chitinase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.07 | 0.12 | 0.60 | 0.548 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.60 | 0.547 |
| Central | chitinase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.47 | 0.642 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.47 | 0.641 |
| Central | chitinase | Lignin_content | Chitinase | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.20 | 0.10 | 2.07 | 0.039 | 0.26 | 0.12 | 2.13 | 0.033 |
| Central | chitinase | Lignin_content | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.25 | 0.08 | -2.99 | 0.003 | -0.38 | 0.12 | -3.21 | 0.001 |
| Central | chitinase | Lignin_content | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.02 | 0.11 | 0.16 | 0.876 | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.16 | 0.876 |
| Central | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | chitinase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 32.09 | 0.000 |
| Central | chitinase | Lignin_content | Chitinase | ~~ | Chitinase | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.80 | 0.10 | 7.97 | 0.000 |
| Central | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.58 | 0.564 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.57 | 0.566 |
| Central | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.45 | 0.650 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.24 | 0.09 | -2.71 | 0.007 | -0.36 | 0.12 | -2.90 | 0.004 |
| Central | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.28 | 0.779 | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.28 | 0.779 |
| Central | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.24 | 0.09 | -2.71 | 0.007 | -0.36 | 0.12 | -2.88 | 0.004 |
| Central | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.27 | 0.784 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.10 | 0.920 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|---------|-------------|---------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| Central | chitinase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.04 | 0.11 | -0.32 | 0.747 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.32 | 0.747 |
| Central | chitinase | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.16 | 0.15 | -1.07 | 0.286 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.08 | 0.280 |
| Central | chitinase | pH | Chitinase | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.04 | 0.11 | 0.37 | 0.711 | 0.05 | 0.13 | 0.37 | 0.711 |
| Central | chitinase | pH | Chitinase | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.10 | 0.11 | 0.92 | 0.358 | 0.12 | 0.13 | 0.92 | 0.355 |
| Central | chitinase | pH | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.22 | 0.09 | -2.59 | 0.010 | -0.34 | 0.12 | -2.75 | 0.006 |
| Central | chitinase | pH | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.04 | 0.11 | 0.33 | 0.742 | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.33 | 0.742 |
| Central | chitinase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | chitinase | pH | pH_historic | ~~ | pH_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.64 | 0.000 |
| Central | chitinase | pH | pH_change | ~~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 23.68 | 0.000 |
| Central | chitinase | pH | Chitinase | ~~ | Chitinase | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.87 | 0.09 | 9.69 | 0.000 |
| Central | chitinase | pH | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | chitinase | pH | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | chitinase | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.24 | 0.808 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.24 | 0.808 |
| Central | chitinase | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.02 | 0.02 | -0.70 | 0.486 | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.70 | 0.485 |
| Central | chitinase | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.23 | 0.09 | -2.61 | 0.009 | -0.34 | 0.12 | -2.77 | 0.006 |
| Central | chitinase | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.02 | 0.11 | 0.19 | 0.847 | 0.03 | 0.13 | 0.19 | 0.847 |
| Central | chitinase | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.23 | 0.09 | -2.61 | 0.009 | -0.34 | 0.12 | -2.76 | 0.006 |
| Central | chitinase | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.02 | 0.11 | 0.19 | 0.852 | 0.00 | 0.14 | 0.03 | 0.979 |
| Central | urease | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.56 | 0.10 | 5.76 | 0.000 | 0.65 | 0.09 | 7.58 | 0.000 |
| Central | urease | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.02 | 0.11 | -0.14 | 0.888 | -0.02 | 0.15 | -0.14 | 0.888 |
| Central | urease | CWM_leaf_P | Urease | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.50 | 0.18 | -2.76 | 0.006 | -0.47 | 0.16 | -2.95 | 0.003 |
| Central | urease | CWM_leaf_P | Urease | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | -0.29 | 0.20 | -1.43 | 0.153 | -0.18 | 0.13 | -1.45 | 0.148 |
| Central | urease | CWM_leaf_P | Urease | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.01 | 0.15 | -0.09 | 0.929 | -0.02 | 0.17 | -0.09 | 0.929 |
| Central | urease | CWM_leaf_P | Urease | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.04 | 0.15 | -0.25 | 0.802 | -0.03 | 0.13 | -0.25 | 0.802 |
| Central | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.30 | 0.768 | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.30 | 0.767 |
| Central | urease | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.58 | 0.11 | 5.15 | 0.000 |
| Central | urease | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 159.30 | 0.000 |
| Central | urease | CWM_leaf_P | Urease | ~~ | Urease | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.74 | 0.11 | 6.66 | 0.000 |
| Central | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.02 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.28 | 0.11 | -2.49 | 0.013 | -0.30 | 0.12 | -2.65 | 0.008 |
| Central | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.888 | 0.00 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.888 |
| Central | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.29 | 0.13 | -2.30 | 0.022 | -0.32 | 0.13 | -2.42 | 0.016 |
| Central | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.03 | 0.16 | -0.22 | 0.829 | -0.03 | 0.13 | -0.22 | 0.829 |
| Central | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.29 | 0.13 | -2.30 | 0.022 | -0.32 | 0.13 | -2.43 | 0.015 |
| Central | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.04 | 0.16 | -0.22 | 0.825 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.30 | 0.761 |
| Central | urease | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.13 | 0.13 | -0.98 | 0.326 | -0.15 | 0.15 | -0.99 | 0.321 |
| Central | urease | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.64 | 0.525 | 0.09 | 0.15 | 0.64 | 0.524 |
| Central | urease | CWM_Myclnt | Urease | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.03 | 0.974 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.03 | 0.974 |
| Central | urease | CWM_Myclnt | Urease | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.16 | 0.18 | 0.88 | 0.377 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.89 | 0.374 |
| Central | urease | CWM_Myclnt | Urease | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.34 | 0.13 | -2.67 | 0.008 | -0.37 | 0.13 | -2.87 | 0.004 |
| Central | urease | CWM_Myclnt | Urease | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.08 | 0.17 | -0.47 | 0.642 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.47 | 0.642 |
| Central | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.30 | 0.768 | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.30 | 0.767 |
| Central | urease | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 23.15 | 0.000 |
| Central | urease | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 35.60 | 0.000 |
| Central | urease | CWM_Myclnt | Urease | ~~ | Urease | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.84 | 0.10 | 8.55 | 0.000 |
| Central | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.02 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.974 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.974 |
| Central | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.52 | 0.606 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.52 | 0.606 |
| Central | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.34 | 0.13 | -2.70 | 0.007 | -0.37 | 0.13 | -2.90 | 0.004 |
| Central | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.06 | 0.17 | -0.38 | 0.704 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.38 | 0.704 |
| Central | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.34 | 0.13 | -2.70 | 0.007 | -0.37 | 0.13 | -2.92 | 0.004 |
| Central | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.06 | 0.17 | -0.39 | 0.700 | -0.07 | 0.15 | -0.46 | 0.643 |
| Central | urease | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.22 | 0.826 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.22 | 0.826 |
| Central | urease | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.03 | 0.16 | 0.19 | 0.853 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.19 | 0.853 |
| Central | urease | Plant_biomass | Urease | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.03 | 0.16 | 0.18 | 0.860 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.18 | 0.860 |
| Central | urease | Plant_biomass | Urease | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.29 | 0.13 | -2.28 | 0.023 | -0.32 | 0.13 | -2.40 | 0.016 |
| Central | urease | Plant_biomass | Urease | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.07 | 0.17 | -0.41 | 0.684 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.41 | 0.683 |
| Central | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.30 | 0.768 | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.30 | 0.767 |
| Central | urease | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 76.48 | 0.000 |
| Central | urease | Plant_biomass | Urease | ~~ | Urease | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.89 | 0.09 | 10.21 | 0.000 |
| Central | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.02 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.891 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.891 |
| Central | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.898 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.898 |
| Central | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.29 | 0.13 | -2.27 | 0.023 | -0.32 | 0.13 | -2.40 | 0.017 |
| Central | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.07 | 0.17 | -0.40 | 0.687 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.40 | 0.687 |
| Central | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.29 | 0.13 | -2.27 | 0.023 | -0.32 | 0.13 | -2.42 | 0.016 |
| Central | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.07 | 0.17 | -0.41 | 0.684 | -0.07 | 0.15 | -0.48 | 0.633 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|---------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| Central | urease | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.11 | 0.13 | 0.84 | 0.401 | 0.12 | 0.15 | 0.85 | 0.397 |
| Central | urease | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.05 | 0.17 | 0.29 | 0.775 | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.29 | 0.774 |
| Central | urease | Lignin_content | Urease | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.40 | 0.14 | 2.91 | 0.004 | 0.38 | 0.12 | 3.09 | 0.002 |
| Central | urease | Lignin_content | Urease | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.33 | 0.12 | -2.82 | 0.005 | -0.37 | 0.12 | -2.98 | 0.003 |
| Central | urease | Lignin_content | Urease | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.09 | 0.15 | -0.56 | 0.574 | -0.07 | 0.13 | -0.56 | 0.573 |
| Central | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.30 | 0.768 | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.30 | 0.767 |
| Central | urease | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 25.21 | 0.000 |
| Central | urease | Lignin_content | Urease | ~ | Urease | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.75 | 0.11 | 6.73 | 0.000 |
| Central | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.02 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.81 | 0.419 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.80 | 0.424 |
| Central | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.07 | 0.29 | 0.776 | 0.02 | 0.06 | 0.29 | 0.776 |
| Central | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.29 | 0.13 | -2.27 | 0.023 | -0.32 | 0.13 | -2.40 | 0.017 |
| Central | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.07 | 0.17 | -0.40 | 0.687 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.40 | 0.687 |
| Central | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.29 | 0.13 | -2.27 | 0.023 | -0.32 | 0.13 | -2.42 | 0.016 |
| Central | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.07 | 0.17 | -0.41 | 0.684 | -0.07 | 0.15 | -0.48 | 0.633 |
| Central | urease | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.06 | 0.12 | -0.51 | 0.612 | -0.08 | 0.15 | -0.51 | 0.611 |
| Central | urease | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.13 | 0.15 | -0.91 | 0.365 | -0.13 | 0.15 | -0.91 | 0.361 |
| Central | urease | pH | Urease | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.66 | 0.510 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.66 | 0.508 |
| Central | urease | pH | Urease | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.11 | 0.17 | 0.66 | 0.507 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.67 | 0.505 |
| Central | urease | pH | Urease | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.18 | 0.030 | -0.31 | 0.13 | -2.28 | 0.022 |
| Central | urease | pH | Urease | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.07 | 0.17 | -0.45 | 0.657 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.45 | 0.656 |
| Central | urease | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.30 | 0.768 | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.30 | 0.767 |
| Central | urease | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 44.47 | 0.000 |
| Central | urease | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 25.07 | 0.000 |
| Central | urease | pH | Urease | ~ | Urease | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.88 | 0.09 | 9.63 | 0.000 |
| Central | urease | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.02 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | urease | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | urease | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.40 | 0.688 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.40 | 0.687 |
| Central | urease | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.54 | 0.592 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.54 | 0.591 |
| Central | urease | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.22 | 0.026 | -0.31 | 0.13 | -2.34 | 0.019 |
| Central | urease | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.09 | 0.17 | -0.54 | 0.592 | -0.08 | 0.14 | -0.54 | 0.591 |
| Central | urease | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.22 | 0.026 | -0.32 | 0.13 | -2.36 | 0.018 |
| Central | urease | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.09 | 0.17 | -0.54 | 0.589 | -0.09 | 0.15 | -0.60 | 0.546 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.53 | 0.09 | 5.84 | 0.000 | 0.64 | 0.08 | 7.58 | 0.000 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.05 | 0.11 | -0.46 | 0.647 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.46 | 0.646 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | DEA | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.14 | 0.13 | 1.13 | 0.257 | 0.20 | 0.17 | 1.15 | 0.252 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | DEA | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.25 | 0.807 | 0.03 | 0.13 | 0.25 | 0.807 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | DEA | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.21 | 0.11 | -1.98 | 0.047 | -0.35 | 0.17 | -2.05 | 0.040 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | DEA | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.15 | 0.11 | 1.39 | 0.163 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 1.42 | 0.156 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.59 | 0.11 | 5.55 | 0.000 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 54.73 | 0.000 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | DEA | ~ | DEA | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.90 | 0.08 | 11.14 | 0.000 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.08 | 0.07 | 1.11 | 0.266 | 0.13 | 0.11 | 1.12 | 0.262 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.22 | 0.829 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.22 | 0.829 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.13 | 0.08 | -1.61 | 0.106 | -0.22 | 0.13 | -1.65 | 0.098 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.15 | 0.11 | 1.38 | 0.167 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 1.40 | 0.161 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.13 | 0.08 | -1.61 | 0.108 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.54 | 0.125 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.15 | 0.11 | 1.38 | 0.169 | 0.17 | 0.14 | 1.26 | 0.206 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.11 | 0.13 | -0.88 | 0.380 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.88 | 0.377 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.30 | 0.768 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.30 | 0.768 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | DEA | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | -0.02 | 0.09 | -0.26 | 0.798 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.26 | 0.798 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | DEA | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.12 | 0.901 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.12 | 0.901 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | DEA | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.13 | 0.08 | -1.60 | 0.111 | -0.22 | 0.13 | -1.63 | 0.102 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | DEA | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.15 | 0.11 | 1.43 | 0.152 | 0.20 | 0.13 | 1.46 | 0.145 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 28.71 | 0.000 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 84.79 | 0.000 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | DEA | ~ | DEA | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.07 | 12.52 | 0.000 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.25 | 0.806 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.25 | 0.806 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.11 | 0.909 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.11 | 0.909 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.13 | 0.08 | -1.58 | 0.115 | -0.21 | 0.13 | -1.61 | 0.107 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.15 | 0.11 | 1.43 | 0.153 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 1.45 | 0.146 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.13 | 0.08 | -1.57 | 0.116 | -0.20 | 0.14 | -1.49 | 0.137 |
| Central | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.15 | 0.11 | 1.42 | 0.155 | 0.18 | 0.14 | 1.32 | 0.187 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|---------|-------------|----------------|--------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| Central | DEA | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.23 | 0.821 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.23 | 0.821 |
| Central | DEA | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.87 | 0.385 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.88 | 0.382 |
| Central | DEA | Plant_biomass | DEA | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.34 | 0.09 | 3.88 | 0.000 | 0.47 | 0.11 | 4.32 | 0.000 |
| Central | DEA | Plant_biomass | DEA | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.14 | 0.07 | -1.98 | 0.048 | -0.24 | 0.12 | -2.01 | 0.044 |
| Central | DEA | Plant_biomass | DEA | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.11 | 0.09 | 1.12 | 0.262 | 0.14 | 0.12 | 1.13 | 0.259 |
| Central | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | DEA | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 27.60 | 0.000 |
| Central | DEA | Plant_biomass | DEA | ~ | DEA | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.71 | 0.11 | 6.53 | 0.000 |
| Central | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.23 | 0.821 | 0.02 | 0.07 | 0.23 | 0.821 |
| Central | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.85 | 0.397 | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.86 | 0.390 |
| Central | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.13 | 0.08 | -1.62 | 0.104 | -0.22 | 0.13 | -1.66 | 0.096 |
| Central | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.15 | 0.11 | 1.41 | 0.159 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 1.44 | 0.151 |
| Central | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.13 | 0.08 | -1.62 | 0.106 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.54 | 0.123 |
| Central | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.15 | 0.11 | 1.41 | 0.160 | 0.18 | 0.14 | 1.30 | 0.195 |
| Central | DEA | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.07 | 0.12 | 0.60 | 0.548 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.60 | 0.547 |
| Central | DEA | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.47 | 0.642 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.47 | 0.641 |
| Central | DEA | Lignin_content | DEA | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.05 | 0.09 | 0.55 | 0.581 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.55 | 0.580 |
| Central | DEA | Lignin_content | DEA | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.14 | 0.08 | -1.67 | 0.095 | -0.23 | 0.13 | -1.71 | 0.087 |
| Central | DEA | Lignin_content | DEA | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.15 | 0.11 | 1.38 | 0.169 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 1.40 | 0.162 |
| Central | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | DEA | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 32.09 | 0.000 |
| Central | DEA | Lignin_content | DEA | ~ | DEA | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 12.09 | 0.000 |
| Central | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.41 | 0.685 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.41 | 0.684 |
| Central | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.36 | 0.722 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.36 | 0.722 |
| Central | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.13 | 0.08 | -1.62 | 0.104 | -0.22 | 0.13 | -1.66 | 0.096 |
| Central | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.15 | 0.11 | 1.41 | 0.159 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 1.44 | 0.151 |
| Central | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.13 | 0.08 | -1.62 | 0.106 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.54 | 0.123 |
| Central | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.15 | 0.11 | 1.41 | 0.160 | 0.18 | 0.14 | 1.30 | 0.195 |
| Central | DEA | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.04 | 0.11 | -0.32 | 0.747 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.32 | 0.747 |
| Central | DEA | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.16 | 0.15 | -1.07 | 0.286 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.08 | 0.280 |
| Central | DEA | pH | DEA | ~ | pH_historic | c | -0.06 | 0.10 | -0.60 | 0.548 | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.60 | 0.547 |
| Central | DEA | pH | DEA | ~ | pH_change | d | -0.04 | 0.10 | -0.37 | 0.712 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.37 | 0.712 |
| Central | DEA | pH | DEA | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.14 | 0.08 | -1.71 | 0.088 | -0.23 | 0.13 | -1.75 | 0.080 |
| Central | DEA | pH | DEA | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.16 | 0.11 | 1.47 | 0.140 | 0.20 | 0.13 | 1.50 | 0.133 |
| Central | DEA | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | DEA | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.64 | 0.000 |
| Central | DEA | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 23.68 | 0.000 |
| Central | DEA | pH | DEA | ~ | DEA | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.90 | 0.08 | 11.35 | 0.000 |
| Central | DEA | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | DEA | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | DEA | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.28 | 0.776 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.28 | 0.776 |
| Central | DEA | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.35 | 0.727 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.35 | 0.727 |
| Central | DEA | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.14 | 0.08 | -1.67 | 0.094 | -0.23 | 0.13 | -1.72 | 0.086 |
| Central | DEA | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.16 | 0.11 | 1.54 | 0.123 | 0.21 | 0.13 | 1.58 | 0.115 |
| Central | DEA | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.14 | 0.08 | -1.67 | 0.095 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.58 | 0.114 |
| Central | DEA | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.16 | 0.11 | 1.54 | 0.123 | 0.19 | 0.14 | 1.43 | 0.153 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.53 | 0.09 | 5.84 | 0.000 | 0.64 | 0.08 | 7.58 | 0.000 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.05 | 0.11 | -0.46 | 0.647 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.46 | 0.646 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | Phosphatase | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.58 | 0.563 | -0.10 | 0.17 | -0.58 | 0.562 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | Phosphatase | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | -0.25 | 0.15 | -1.73 | 0.084 | -0.23 | 0.13 | -1.77 | 0.077 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.17 | 0.11 | -1.50 | 0.133 | -0.25 | 0.17 | -1.53 | 0.126 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.07 | 0.11 | 0.60 | 0.548 | 0.08 | 0.13 | 0.60 | 0.547 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.59 | 0.11 | 5.55 | 0.000 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 54.73 | 0.000 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | Phosphatase | ~ | Phosphatase | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.84 | 0.09 | 8.99 | 0.000 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.04 | 0.07 | -0.58 | 0.565 | -0.06 | 0.11 | -0.58 | 0.564 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.44 | 0.658 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.44 | 0.657 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.21 | 0.09 | -2.42 | 0.016 | -0.32 | 0.12 | -2.54 | 0.011 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.08 | 0.11 | 0.69 | 0.488 | 0.09 | 0.13 | 0.70 | 0.487 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.21 | 0.09 | -2.41 | 0.016 | -0.31 | 0.13 | -2.48 | 0.013 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.08 | 0.11 | 0.69 | 0.492 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.52 | 0.605 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|---------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.11 | 0.13 | -0.88 | 0.380 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.88 | 0.377 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.30 | 0.768 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.30 | 0.768 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | Phosphatase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | -0.06 | 0.10 | -0.57 | 0.570 | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.57 | 0.569 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | Phosphatase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.07 | 0.945 | -0.01 | 0.13 | -0.07 | 0.945 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.21 | 0.09 | -2.36 | 0.018 | -0.32 | 0.13 | -2.48 | 0.013 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.08 | 0.11 | 0.72 | 0.473 | 0.10 | 0.13 | 0.72 | 0.472 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 28.71 | 0.000 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 84.79 | 0.000 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | Phosphatase | ~ | Phosphatase | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.89 | 0.08 | 10.84 | 0.000 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.48 | 0.633 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.48 | 0.633 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.07 | 0.946 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.07 | 0.946 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.20 | 0.09 | -2.30 | 0.022 | -0.31 | 0.13 | -2.41 | 0.016 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.08 | 0.11 | 0.72 | 0.475 | 0.10 | 0.13 | 0.72 | 0.473 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.20 | 0.09 | -2.29 | 0.022 | -0.30 | 0.13 | -2.36 | 0.019 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.08 | 0.11 | 0.71 | 0.478 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.54 | 0.588 |
| Central | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.23 | 0.821 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.23 | 0.821 |
| Central | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.87 | 0.385 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.88 | 0.382 |
| Central | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Phosphatase | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.18 | 0.10 | 1.71 | 0.087 | 0.23 | 0.13 | 1.75 | 0.080 |
| Central | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.21 | 0.09 | -2.44 | 0.015 | -0.32 | 0.12 | -2.57 | 0.010 |
| Central | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.05 | 0.11 | 0.48 | 0.635 | 0.06 | 0.13 | 0.48 | 0.634 |
| Central | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 27.60 | 0.000 |
| Central | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Phosphatase | ~ | Phosphatase | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.85 | 0.09 | 9.08 | 0.000 |
| Central | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.23 | 0.822 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.22 | 0.822 |
| Central | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.78 | 0.439 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.78 | 0.436 |
| Central | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.20 | 0.09 | -2.32 | 0.020 | -0.31 | 0.13 | -2.44 | 0.015 |
| Central | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.08 | 0.11 | 0.67 | 0.503 | 0.09 | 0.13 | 0.67 | 0.502 |
| Central | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.20 | 0.09 | -2.32 | 0.020 | -0.31 | 0.13 | -2.39 | 0.017 |
| Central | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.08 | 0.11 | 0.66 | 0.507 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.50 | 0.619 |
| Central | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.07 | 0.12 | 0.60 | 0.548 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.60 | 0.547 |
| Central | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.47 | 0.642 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.47 | 0.641 |
| Central | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Phosphatase | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.12 | 0.10 | 1.21 | 0.225 | 0.16 | 0.13 | 1.23 | 0.220 |
| Central | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.21 | 0.09 | -2.45 | 0.014 | -0.33 | 0.13 | -2.58 | 0.010 |
| Central | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.07 | 0.11 | 0.60 | 0.550 | 0.08 | 0.13 | 0.60 | 0.549 |
| Central | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 32.09 | 0.000 |
| Central | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Phosphatase | ~ | Phosphatase | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.87 | 0.09 | 9.91 | 0.000 |
| Central | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.54 | 0.591 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.54 | 0.591 |
| Central | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.43 | 0.664 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.44 | 0.664 |
| Central | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.20 | 0.09 | -2.32 | 0.020 | -0.31 | 0.13 | -2.44 | 0.015 |
| Central | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.08 | 0.11 | 0.67 | 0.503 | 0.09 | 0.13 | 0.67 | 0.502 |
| Central | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.20 | 0.09 | -2.32 | 0.020 | -0.31 | 0.13 | -2.39 | 0.017 |
| Central | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.08 | 0.11 | 0.66 | 0.507 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.50 | 0.619 |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.04 | 0.11 | -0.32 | 0.747 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.32 | 0.747 |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.16 | 0.15 | -1.07 | 0.286 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.08 | 0.280 |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | Phosphatase | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.16 | 0.10 | 1.52 | 0.130 | 0.20 | 0.13 | 1.54 | 0.123 |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | Phosphatase | ~ | pH_change | d | -0.07 | 0.10 | -0.68 | 0.497 | -0.09 | 0.13 | -0.68 | 0.496 |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.20 | 0.08 | -2.40 | 0.017 | -0.31 | 0.13 | -2.51 | 0.012 |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.26 | 0.792 | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.26 | 0.792 |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.64 | 0.000 |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 23.68 | 0.000 |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | Phosphatase | ~ | Phosphatase | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.85 | 0.09 | 9.14 | 0.000 |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.32 | 0.753 | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.32 | 0.752 |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.57 | 0.567 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.57 | 0.566 |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.21 | 0.09 | -2.41 | 0.016 | -0.32 | 0.13 | -2.55 | 0.011 |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.04 | 0.11 | 0.37 | 0.713 | 0.05 | 0.13 | 0.37 | 0.713 |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.21 | 0.09 | -2.41 | 0.016 | -0.32 | 0.13 | -2.52 | 0.012 |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.04 | 0.11 | 0.36 | 0.718 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.20 | 0.842 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|---------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| Central | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.53 | 0.09 | 5.84 | 0.000 | 0.64 | 0.08 | 7.58 | 0.000 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.05 | 0.11 | -0.46 | 0.647 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.46 | 0.646 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | bactotal | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.05 | 0.18 | 0.30 | 0.764 | 0.05 | 0.18 | 0.30 | 0.764 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | bactotal | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.04 | 0.20 | 0.23 | 0.819 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.23 | 0.819 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | bactotal | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.05 | 0.15 | -0.36 | 0.717 | -0.07 | 0.18 | -0.36 | 0.716 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | bactotal | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.22 | 0.15 | 1.51 | 0.131 | 0.21 | 0.14 | 1.54 | 0.123 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.59 | 0.11 | 5.55 | 0.000 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 54.73 | 0.000 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | bactotal | ~~ | bactotal | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.95 | 0.06 | 16.53 | 0.000 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.03 | 0.09 | 0.30 | 0.765 | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.30 | 0.764 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.20 | 0.838 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.20 | 0.838 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.03 | 0.11 | -0.22 | 0.824 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.22 | 0.824 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.22 | 0.15 | 1.50 | 0.135 | 0.21 | 0.14 | 1.53 | 0.126 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.02 | 0.11 | -0.22 | 0.829 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.901 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.22 | 0.15 | 1.50 | 0.135 | 0.21 | 0.14 | 1.52 | 0.129 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.11 | 0.13 | -0.88 | 0.380 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.88 | 0.377 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.30 | 0.768 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.30 | 0.768 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | bactotal | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | -0.26 | 0.12 | -2.20 | 0.028 | -0.27 | 0.12 | -2.26 | 0.024 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | bactotal | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.35 | 0.15 | 2.37 | 0.018 | 0.29 | 0.12 | 2.46 | 0.014 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | bactotal | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.15 | 0.10 | -1.47 | 0.142 | -0.18 | 0.12 | -1.49 | 0.137 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | bactotal | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.79 | 0.074 | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.82 | 0.068 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 28.71 | 0.000 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 84.79 | 0.000 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | bactotal | ~~ | bactotal | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.77 | 0.10 | 7.52 | 0.000 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.82 | 0.415 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.82 | 0.415 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.29 | 0.770 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.29 | 0.769 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.12 | 0.11 | -1.16 | 0.248 | -0.15 | 0.13 | -1.17 | 0.244 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.25 | 0.14 | 1.79 | 0.073 | 0.23 | 0.13 | 1.84 | 0.066 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.12 | 0.11 | -1.15 | 0.251 | -0.14 | 0.13 | -1.02 | 0.309 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.25 | 0.14 | 1.79 | 0.074 | 0.23 | 0.13 | 1.74 | 0.082 |
| Central | bacteria | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.23 | 0.821 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.23 | 0.821 |
| Central | bacteria | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.87 | 0.385 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.88 | 0.382 |
| Central | bacteria | Plant_biomass | bactotal | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.40 | 0.12 | 3.26 | 0.001 | 0.41 | 0.12 | 3.56 | 0.000 |
| Central | bacteria | Plant_biomass | bactotal | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.04 | 0.10 | -0.36 | 0.722 | -0.05 | 0.13 | -0.36 | 0.722 |
| Central | bacteria | Plant_biomass | bactotal | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.17 | 0.13 | 1.25 | 0.211 | 0.16 | 0.13 | 1.26 | 0.207 |
| Central | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | bacteria | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 27.60 | 0.000 |
| Central | bacteria | Plant_biomass | bactotal | ~~ | bactotal | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.79 | 0.10 | 7.69 | 0.000 |
| Central | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.23 | 0.821 | 0.01 | 0.06 | 0.23 | 0.821 |
| Central | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.84 | 0.401 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.85 | 0.395 |
| Central | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.03 | 0.11 | -0.23 | 0.819 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.23 | 0.819 |
| Central | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.22 | 0.15 | 1.51 | 0.132 | 0.21 | 0.14 | 1.54 | 0.123 |
| Central | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.03 | 0.11 | -0.22 | 0.824 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| Central | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.22 | 0.15 | 1.51 | 0.132 | 0.21 | 0.14 | 1.53 | 0.126 |
| Central | bacteria | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.07 | 0.12 | 0.60 | 0.548 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.60 | 0.547 |
| Central | bacteria | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.47 | 0.642 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.47 | 0.641 |
| Central | bacteria | Lignin_content | bactotal | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.12 | 0.13 | 0.94 | 0.349 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.95 | 0.345 |
| Central | bacteria | Lignin_content | bactotal | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.04 | 0.11 | -0.31 | 0.757 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.31 | 0.757 |
| Central | bacteria | Lignin_content | bactotal | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.21 | 0.15 | 1.46 | 0.145 | 0.20 | 0.14 | 1.49 | 0.137 |
| Central | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | bacteria | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 32.09 | 0.000 |
| Central | bacteria | Lignin_content | bactotal | ~~ | bactotal | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 14.40 | 0.000 |
| Central | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.51 | 0.613 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.51 | 0.612 |
| Central | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.42 | 0.677 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.42 | 0.676 |
| Central | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.03 | 0.11 | -0.23 | 0.819 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.23 | 0.819 |
| Central | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.22 | 0.15 | 1.51 | 0.132 | 0.21 | 0.14 | 1.54 | 0.123 |
| Central | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.03 | 0.11 | -0.22 | 0.824 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| Central | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.22 | 0.15 | 1.51 | 0.132 | 0.21 | 0.14 | 1.53 | 0.126 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|---------|----------------------|---------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| Central | bacteria | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.04 | 0.11 | -0.32 | 0.747 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.32 | 0.747 |
| Central | bacteria | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.16 | 0.15 | -1.07 | 0.286 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.08 | 0.280 |
| Central | bacteria | pH | bactotal | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.27 | 0.14 | 1.97 | 0.049 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 2.03 | 0.042 |
| Central | bacteria | pH | bactotal | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.89 | 0.376 | 0.12 | 0.13 | 0.89 | 0.373 |
| Central | bacteria | pH | bactotal | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.00 | 0.11 | -0.01 | 0.991 | 0.00 | 0.13 | -0.01 | 0.991 |
| Central | bacteria | pH | bactotal | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.18 | 0.14 | 1.23 | 0.218 | 0.17 | 0.13 | 1.25 | 0.213 |
| Central | bacteria | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | bacteria | pH | pH_historic | ~~ | pH_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.64 | 0.000 |
| Central | bacteria | pH | pH_change | ~~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 23.68 | 0.000 |
| Central | bacteria | pH | bactotal | ~~ | bactotal | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.90 | 0.08 | 11.03 | 0.000 |
| Central | bacteria | pH | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | bacteria | pH | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | bacteria | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.32 | 0.750 | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.32 | 0.750 |
| Central | bacteria | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.68 | 0.495 | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.68 | 0.494 |
| Central | bacteria | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.01 | 0.11 | -0.10 | 0.922 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.10 | 0.922 |
| Central | bacteria | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.10 | 0.270 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 1.11 | 0.265 |
| Central | bacteria | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.01 | 0.11 | -0.09 | 0.926 | 0.00 | 0.14 | -0.03 | 0.977 |
| Central | bacteria | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.10 | 0.270 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 1.11 | 0.267 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.53 | 0.09 | 5.84 | 0.000 | 0.64 | 0.08 | 7.58 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.05 | 0.11 | -0.46 | 0.647 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.46 | 0.646 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | fungi_bac | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.11 | 0.16 | -0.69 | 0.491 | -0.11 | 0.15 | -0.69 | 0.490 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | fungi_bac | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | -0.09 | 0.18 | -0.50 | 0.616 | -0.06 | 0.12 | -0.50 | 0.615 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.14 | 0.14 | -1.02 | 0.310 | -0.16 | 0.15 | -1.02 | 0.308 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.55 | 0.14 | -3.97 | 0.000 | -0.47 | 0.11 | -4.45 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.59 | 0.11 | 5.55 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 54.73 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | fungi_bac | ~~ | fungi_bac | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.71 | 0.11 | 6.54 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.06 | 0.09 | -0.68 | 0.494 | -0.07 | 0.10 | -0.69 | 0.493 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.34 | 0.735 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.34 | 0.735 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.20 | 0.11 | -1.87 | 0.061 | -0.22 | 0.12 | -1.91 | 0.056 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.54 | 0.14 | -3.93 | 0.000 | -0.47 | 0.11 | -4.40 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.20 | 0.11 | -1.89 | 0.059 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.93 | 0.054 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.54 | 0.14 | -3.94 | 0.000 | -0.48 | 0.11 | -4.48 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.11 | 0.13 | -0.88 | 0.380 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.88 | 0.377 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.30 | 0.768 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.30 | 0.768 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | fungi_bac | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.14 | 0.12 | 1.23 | 0.221 | 0.15 | 0.12 | 1.23 | 0.218 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | fungi_bac | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.09 | 0.15 | -0.63 | 0.529 | -0.07 | 0.12 | -0.63 | 0.528 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.16 | 0.11 | -1.48 | 0.140 | -0.18 | 0.12 | -1.49 | 0.137 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.56 | 0.14 | -4.11 | 0.000 | -0.48 | 0.10 | -4.63 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 28.71 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 84.79 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | fungi_bac | ~~ | fungi_bac | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.69 | 0.11 | 6.39 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.02 | 0.02 | -0.71 | 0.476 | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.72 | 0.473 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.27 | 0.789 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.27 | 0.789 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.17 | 0.11 | -1.61 | 0.107 | -0.19 | 0.12 | -1.63 | 0.102 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.56 | 0.14 | -4.12 | 0.000 | -0.49 | 0.10 | -4.66 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.17 | 0.11 | -1.63 | 0.103 | -0.22 | 0.13 | -1.67 | 0.095 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.56 | 0.14 | -4.13 | 0.000 | -0.50 | 0.11 | -4.74 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.23 | 0.821 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.23 | 0.821 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.87 | 0.385 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.88 | 0.382 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | fungi_bac | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | -0.17 | 0.13 | -1.34 | 0.180 | -0.16 | 0.12 | -1.35 | 0.177 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.19 | 0.11 | -1.85 | 0.064 | -0.22 | 0.12 | -1.88 | 0.060 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.52 | 0.14 | -3.83 | 0.000 | -0.45 | 0.11 | -4.23 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 27.60 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | fungi_bac | ~~ | fungi_bac | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.69 | 0.11 | 6.34 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.22 | 0.823 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.22 | 0.823 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.73 | 0.466 | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.74 | 0.462 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.20 | 0.11 | -1.86 | 0.063 | -0.22 | 0.12 | -1.89 | 0.058 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.55 | 0.14 | -3.95 | 0.000 | -0.47 | 0.11 | -4.44 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.20 | 0.11 | -1.88 | 0.061 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.91 | 0.056 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.55 | 0.14 | -3.95 | 0.000 | -0.49 | 0.11 | -4.51 | 0.000 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|---------|----------------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.07 | 0.12 | 0.60 | 0.548 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.60 | 0.547 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.47 | 0.642 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.47 | 0.641 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | fungi_bac | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.15 | 0.12 | 1.23 | 0.220 | 0.15 | 0.12 | 1.23 | 0.217 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.21 | 0.11 | -1.99 | 0.047 | -0.24 | 0.12 | -2.02 | 0.043 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.56 | 0.14 | -4.08 | 0.000 | -0.48 | 0.11 | -4.58 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 32.09 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | fungi_bac | ~ | fungi_bac | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.69 | 0.11 | 6.38 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.54 | 0.590 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.54 | 0.590 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.44 | 0.664 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.43 | 0.665 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.20 | 0.11 | -1.86 | 0.063 | -0.22 | 0.12 | -1.89 | 0.058 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.55 | 0.14 | -3.95 | 0.000 | -0.47 | 0.11 | -4.44 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.20 | 0.11 | -1.88 | 0.061 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.91 | 0.056 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.55 | 0.14 | -3.95 | 0.000 | -0.49 | 0.11 | -4.51 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.04 | 0.11 | -0.32 | 0.747 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.32 | 0.747 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.16 | 0.15 | -1.07 | 0.286 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.08 | 0.280 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | fungi_bac | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.10 | 0.13 | 0.78 | 0.434 | 0.09 | 0.12 | 0.79 | 0.433 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | fungi_bac | ~ | pH_change | d | -0.02 | 0.13 | -0.12 | 0.908 | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.12 | 0.908 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.20 | 0.11 | -1.84 | 0.066 | -0.22 | 0.12 | -1.87 | 0.062 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.57 | 0.14 | -4.12 | 0.000 | -0.49 | 0.11 | -4.65 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.64 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 23.68 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | fungi_bac | ~ | fungi_bac | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.69 | 0.11 | 6.38 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.30 | 0.766 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.30 | 0.765 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.12 | 0.909 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.12 | 0.909 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.20 | 0.11 | -1.87 | 0.062 | -0.22 | 0.12 | -1.90 | 0.058 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.57 | 0.14 | -4.15 | 0.000 | -0.49 | 0.10 | -4.69 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.20 | 0.11 | -1.88 | 0.060 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.90 | 0.057 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.57 | 0.14 | -4.15 | 0.000 | -0.50 | 0.11 | -4.77 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.53 | 0.09 | 5.84 | 0.000 | 0.64 | 0.08 | 7.58 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.05 | 0.11 | -0.46 | 0.647 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.46 | 0.646 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | fungi | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.03 | 0.17 | -0.16 | 0.876 | -0.03 | 0.17 | -0.16 | 0.876 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | fungi | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.03 | 0.19 | 0.18 | 0.855 | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.18 | 0.855 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | fungi | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.18 | 0.14 | -1.25 | 0.212 | -0.21 | 0.17 | -1.26 | 0.207 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | fungi | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.29 | 0.14 | -2.10 | 0.036 | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.17 | 0.030 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.59 | 0.11 | 5.55 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 54.73 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | fungi | ~ | fungi | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.86 | 0.09 | 9.49 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.09 | -0.16 | 0.876 | -0.02 | 0.11 | -0.16 | 0.876 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.17 | 0.866 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.17 | 0.866 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.19 | 0.11 | -1.75 | 0.081 | -0.23 | 0.13 | -1.79 | 0.074 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.30 | 0.14 | -2.11 | 0.035 | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.19 | 0.028 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.19 | 0.11 | -1.75 | 0.079 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.86 | 0.063 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.30 | 0.14 | -2.12 | 0.034 | -0.29 | 0.13 | -2.26 | 0.024 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.11 | 0.13 | -0.88 | 0.380 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.88 | 0.377 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.30 | 0.768 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.30 | 0.768 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | fungi | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | -0.16 | 0.12 | -1.35 | 0.176 | -0.17 | 0.12 | -1.37 | 0.172 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | fungi | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.21 | 0.15 | 1.39 | 0.165 | 0.17 | 0.12 | 1.41 | 0.160 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | fungi | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.27 | 0.11 | -2.52 | 0.012 | -0.32 | 0.12 | -2.63 | 0.008 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | fungi | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.28 | 0.14 | -2.11 | 0.035 | -0.26 | 0.12 | -2.17 | 0.030 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 28.71 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 84.79 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | fungi | ~ | fungi | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.78 | 0.10 | 7.60 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.74 | 0.462 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.74 | 0.462 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.29 | 0.773 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.29 | 0.773 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.25 | 0.11 | -2.33 | 0.020 | -0.30 | 0.12 | -2.43 | 0.015 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.28 | 0.14 | -2.01 | 0.044 | -0.26 | 0.12 | -2.07 | 0.038 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.25 | 0.11 | -2.34 | 0.019 | -0.31 | 0.13 | -2.49 | 0.013 |
| Central | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.28 | 0.14 | -2.02 | 0.044 | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.14 | 0.033 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|---------|-------------|----------------|--------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| Central | fungi | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.23 | 0.821 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.23 | 0.821 |
| Central | fungi | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.87 | 0.385 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.88 | 0.382 |
| Central | fungi | Plant_biomass | fungi | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.23 | 0.13 | 1.82 | 0.069 | 0.23 | 0.13 | 1.86 | 0.063 |
| Central | fungi | Plant_biomass | fungi | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.20 | 0.11 | -1.86 | 0.063 | -0.24 | 0.12 | -1.91 | 0.057 |
| Central | fungi | Plant_biomass | fungi | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.33 | 0.14 | -2.39 | 0.017 | -0.31 | 0.12 | -2.49 | 0.013 |
| Central | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | fungi | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 27.60 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi | Plant_biomass | fungi | ~ | fungi | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.81 | 0.10 | 8.07 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.23 | 0.822 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.23 | 0.822 |
| Central | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.78 | 0.433 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.78 | 0.434 |
| Central | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.19 | 0.11 | -1.75 | 0.081 | -0.23 | 0.13 | -1.79 | 0.073 |
| Central | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.30 | 0.14 | -2.12 | 0.034 | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.20 | 0.028 |
| Central | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.19 | 0.11 | -1.76 | 0.079 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.87 | 0.062 |
| Central | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.30 | 0.14 | -2.12 | 0.034 | -0.29 | 0.13 | -2.27 | 0.023 |
| Central | fungi | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.07 | 0.12 | 0.60 | 0.548 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.60 | 0.547 |
| Central | fungi | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.47 | 0.642 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.47 | 0.641 |
| Central | fungi | Lignin_content | fungi | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.09 | 0.12 | 0.74 | 0.458 | 0.10 | 0.13 | 0.75 | 0.456 |
| Central | fungi | Lignin_content | fungi | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.20 | 0.11 | -1.81 | 0.070 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.86 | 0.063 |
| Central | fungi | Lignin_content | fungi | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.30 | 0.14 | -2.17 | 0.030 | -0.29 | 0.13 | -2.26 | 0.024 |
| Central | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | fungi | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 32.09 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi | Lignin_content | fungi | ~ | fungi | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.85 | 0.09 | 9.19 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.47 | 0.641 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.47 | 0.640 |
| Central | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.39 | 0.694 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.39 | 0.694 |
| Central | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.19 | 0.11 | -1.75 | 0.081 | -0.23 | 0.13 | -1.79 | 0.073 |
| Central | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.30 | 0.14 | -2.12 | 0.034 | -0.28 | 0.13 | -2.20 | 0.028 |
| Central | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.19 | 0.11 | -1.76 | 0.079 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.87 | 0.062 |
| Central | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.30 | 0.14 | -2.12 | 0.034 | -0.29 | 0.13 | -2.27 | 0.023 |
| Central | fungi | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.04 | 0.11 | -0.32 | 0.747 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.32 | 0.747 |
| Central | fungi | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.16 | 0.15 | -1.07 | 0.286 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.08 | 0.280 |
| Central | fungi | pH | fungi | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.25 | 0.13 | 1.89 | 0.059 | 0.24 | 0.12 | 1.93 | 0.054 |
| Central | fungi | pH | fungi | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.06 | 0.13 | 0.43 | 0.670 | 0.05 | 0.13 | 0.43 | 0.670 |
| Central | fungi | pH | fungi | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.17 | 0.11 | -1.63 | 0.103 | -0.20 | 0.12 | -1.66 | 0.098 |
| Central | fungi | pH | fungi | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.34 | 0.14 | -2.49 | 0.013 | -0.32 | 0.12 | -2.61 | 0.009 |
| Central | fungi | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.650 |
| Central | fungi | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.64 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 23.68 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi | pH | fungi | ~ | fungi | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.78 | 0.10 | 7.67 | 0.000 |
| Central | fungi | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | fungi | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.32 | 0.751 | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.32 | 0.750 |
| Central | fungi | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.40 | 0.692 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.40 | 0.692 |
| Central | fungi | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.18 | 0.11 | -1.66 | 0.097 | -0.22 | 0.13 | -1.69 | 0.090 |
| Central | fungi | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.35 | 0.14 | -2.58 | 0.010 | -0.32 | 0.12 | -2.71 | 0.007 |
| Central | fungi | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.18 | 0.11 | -1.67 | 0.095 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.77 | 0.077 |
| Central | fungi | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.35 | 0.14 | -2.59 | 0.010 | -0.34 | 0.12 | -2.78 | 0.006 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.54 | 0.10 | 5.66 | 0.000 | 0.64 | 0.09 | 7.34 | 0.000 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.05 | 0.11 | -0.48 | 0.633 | -0.07 | 0.15 | -0.48 | 0.632 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | Ergosterol | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.21 | 0.18 | -1.14 | 0.255 | -0.21 | 0.18 | -1.15 | 0.249 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | Ergosterol | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | -0.08 | 0.20 | -0.39 | 0.700 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.39 | 0.700 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.07 | 0.15 | -0.45 | 0.651 | -0.08 | 0.18 | -0.45 | 0.651 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.08 | 0.16 | 0.49 | 0.628 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.49 | 0.627 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.56 | 0.576 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.57 | 0.572 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 0.60 | 0.11 | 5.39 | 0.000 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 49.28 | 0.000 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | Ergosterol | ~ | Ergosterol | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.08 | 12.39 | 0.000 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.11 | 0.10 | -1.12 | 0.264 | -0.13 | 0.12 | -1.13 | 0.258 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.30 | 0.764 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.30 | 0.764 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.18 | 0.12 | -1.50 | 0.133 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.54 | 0.124 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.51 | 0.608 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.51 | 0.608 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.18 | 0.12 | -1.50 | 0.134 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.49 | 0.135 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.51 | 0.612 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.38 | 0.704 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|---------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.13 | 0.13 | -1.01 | 0.311 | -0.15 | 0.14 | -1.02 | 0.306 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.27 | 0.790 | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.27 | 0.790 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | Ergosterol | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.00 | 0.13 | -0.03 | 0.977 | 0.00 | 0.14 | -0.03 | 0.977 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | Ergosterol | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.30 | 0.16 | 1.80 | 0.071 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.85 | 0.064 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.27 | 0.12 | -2.28 | 0.023 | -0.31 | 0.13 | -2.39 | 0.017 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.07 | 0.15 | 0.47 | 0.640 | 0.06 | 0.13 | 0.47 | 0.640 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.56 | 0.576 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.57 | 0.572 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 23.44 | 0.000 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 88.40 | 0.000 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | Ergosterol | ~ | Ergosterol | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 0.84 | 0.10 | 8.84 | 0.000 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.977 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.977 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.26 | 0.792 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.26 | 0.792 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.27 | 0.12 | -2.30 | 0.021 | -0.31 | 0.13 | -2.41 | 0.016 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.08 | 0.16 | 0.52 | 0.603 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.52 | 0.602 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.27 | 0.12 | -2.30 | 0.021 | -0.30 | 0.13 | -2.36 | 0.018 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.08 | 0.16 | 0.51 | 0.608 | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.32 | 0.747 |
| Central | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.01 | 0.12 | -0.07 | 0.944 | -0.01 | 0.15 | -0.07 | 0.944 |
| Central | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.87 | 0.383 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.88 | 0.379 |
| Central | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Ergosterol | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.14 | 0.15 | 0.95 | 0.344 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.96 | 0.340 |
| Central | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.18 | 0.12 | -1.50 | 0.132 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.54 | 0.124 |
| Central | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.05 | 0.16 | 0.34 | 0.734 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.34 | 0.733 |
| Central | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.56 | 0.576 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.57 | 0.572 |
| Central | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 27.15 | 0.000 |
| Central | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Ergosterol | ~ | Ergosterol | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.37 | 0.000 |
| Central | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.07 | 0.944 | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.07 | 0.944 |
| Central | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.64 | 0.521 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.64 | 0.519 |
| Central | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.18 | 0.12 | -1.50 | 0.134 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.54 | 0.125 |
| Central | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.46 | 0.646 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.46 | 0.646 |
| Central | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.18 | 0.12 | -1.50 | 0.134 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.50 | 0.134 |
| Central | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.45 | 0.650 | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.33 | 0.741 |
| Central | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.06 | 0.13 | 0.49 | 0.622 | 0.07 | 0.15 | 0.49 | 0.622 |
| Central | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.11 | 0.17 | 0.65 | 0.515 | 0.09 | 0.15 | 0.65 | 0.514 |
| Central | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Ergosterol | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.27 | 0.023 | 0.31 | 0.13 | 2.37 | 0.018 |
| Central | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.20 | 0.11 | -1.74 | 0.082 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.78 | 0.075 |
| Central | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.27 | 0.789 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.27 | 0.789 |
| Central | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.56 | 0.576 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.57 | 0.572 |
| Central | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.04 | 27.85 | 0.000 |
| Central | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Ergosterol | ~ | Ergosterol | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 0.86 | 0.09 | 9.11 | 0.000 |
| Central | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.48 | 0.630 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.48 | 0.631 |
| Central | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.03 | 0.05 | 0.63 | 0.532 | 0.03 | 0.05 | 0.63 | 0.530 |
| Central | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.18 | 0.12 | -1.50 | 0.134 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.54 | 0.125 |
| Central | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.46 | 0.646 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.46 | 0.646 |
| Central | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.18 | 0.12 | -1.50 | 0.134 | -0.21 | 0.14 | -1.50 | 0.134 |
| Central | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.45 | 0.650 | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.33 | 0.741 |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.02 | 0.12 | -0.15 | 0.883 | -0.02 | 0.15 | -0.15 | 0.883 |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.20 | 0.15 | -1.35 | 0.178 | -0.19 | 0.14 | -1.37 | 0.170 |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | Ergosterol | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.29 | 0.15 | 1.97 | 0.048 | 0.27 | 0.13 | 2.04 | 0.041 |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | Ergosterol | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.15 | 0.15 | 1.02 | 0.307 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 1.03 | 0.303 |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.16 | 0.12 | -1.36 | 0.174 | -0.19 | 0.14 | -1.38 | 0.167 |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.05 | 0.16 | 0.32 | 0.751 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.32 | 0.751 |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.56 | 0.576 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.57 | 0.572 |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 159.91 | 0.000 |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 0.96 | 0.05 | 17.77 | 0.000 |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | Ergosterol | ~ | Ergosterol | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 0.87 | 0.09 | 9.66 | 0.000 |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.07 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.85 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.15 | 0.883 | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.15 | 0.883 |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.03 | 0.04 | -0.81 | 0.416 | -0.03 | 0.03 | -0.82 | 0.413 |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.16 | 0.12 | -1.35 | 0.177 | -0.19 | 0.14 | -1.37 | 0.170 |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.12 | 0.903 | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.12 | 0.903 |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.16 | 0.12 | -1.35 | 0.177 | -0.19 | 0.14 | -1.37 | 0.171 |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.12 | 0.907 | 0.00 | 0.14 | 0.01 | 0.994 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.32 | 0.747 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.32 | 0.747 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.30 | 0.17 | -1.77 | 0.077 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.82 | 0.068 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | Cmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.09 | 0.13 | -0.64 | 0.520 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.65 | 0.518 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | Cmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.35 | 0.726 | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.35 | 0.726 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | Cmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.31 | 0.754 | 0.05 | 0.16 | 0.31 | 0.753 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | Cmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.02 | 0.19 | 0.11 | 0.915 | 0.02 | 0.16 | 0.11 | 0.915 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.51 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 14.57 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | Cmic | ~ | Cmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 31.73 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.29 | 0.773 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.29 | 0.773 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.34 | 0.731 | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.34 | 0.731 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.29 | 0.774 | 0.05 | 0.16 | 0.29 | 0.774 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.01 | 0.18 | 0.03 | 0.976 | 0.01 | 0.16 | 0.03 | 0.976 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.29 | 0.772 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.30 | 0.762 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.01 | 0.18 | 0.03 | 0.978 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.10 | 0.918 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.16 | 0.09 | 1.72 | 0.086 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.77 | 0.077 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.15 | 0.15 | -1.01 | 0.311 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -1.02 | 0.306 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | Cmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.37 | 0.14 | 2.56 | 0.010 | 0.33 | 0.12 | 2.68 | 0.007 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | Cmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.39 | 0.15 | 2.64 | 0.008 | 0.33 | 0.12 | 2.77 | 0.006 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | Cmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.01 | 0.11 | 0.12 | 0.908 | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.12 | 0.908 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | Cmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.03 | 0.18 | -0.19 | 0.852 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.19 | 0.852 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.99 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 24.93 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | Cmic | ~ | Cmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.77 | 0.10 | 7.60 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.06 | 0.04 | 1.43 | 0.154 | 0.08 | 0.05 | 1.45 | 0.146 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.06 | 0.06 | -0.95 | 0.344 | -0.05 | 0.05 | -0.96 | 0.340 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.07 | 0.11 | 0.65 | 0.519 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.65 | 0.517 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.09 | 0.19 | -0.50 | 0.617 | -0.07 | 0.15 | -0.50 | 0.616 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.07 | 0.11 | 0.67 | 0.501 | 0.13 | 0.13 | 0.94 | 0.348 |
| North-East | Cmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.09 | 0.18 | -0.51 | 0.609 | -0.11 | 0.13 | -0.85 | 0.398 |
| North-East | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.12 | 1.61 | 0.109 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.100 |
| North-East | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.20 | 0.19 | 0.850 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.19 | 0.850 |
| North-East | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Cmic | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.40 | 0.12 | 3.37 | 0.001 | 0.45 | 0.12 | 3.73 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Cmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.05 | 0.10 | -0.52 | 0.601 | -0.08 | 0.15 | -0.52 | 0.600 |
| North-East | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Cmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.04 | 0.17 | -0.23 | 0.820 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.23 | 0.820 |
| North-East | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.84 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | Plant_biomass | Cmic | ~ | Cmic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.81 | 0.10 | 8.04 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.08 | 0.05 | 1.45 | 0.147 | 0.11 | 0.08 | 1.47 | 0.141 |
| North-East | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.08 | 0.19 | 0.851 | 0.01 | 0.07 | 0.19 | 0.851 |
| North-East | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.02 | 0.11 | 0.21 | 0.833 | 0.03 | 0.16 | 0.21 | 0.833 |
| North-East | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.02 | 0.19 | -0.12 | 0.902 | -0.02 | 0.16 | -0.12 | 0.902 |
| North-East | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.02 | 0.11 | 0.22 | 0.827 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.29 | 0.769 |
| North-East | Cmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.02 | 0.19 | -0.13 | 0.899 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.24 | 0.812 |
| North-East | Cmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.87 | 0.062 | 0.29 | 0.15 | 1.93 | 0.054 |
| North-East | Cmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.22 | 0.20 | 1.11 | 0.265 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 1.13 | 0.260 |
| North-East | Cmic | Lignin_content | Cmic | ~ | Lignin_content | c | -0.10 | 0.13 | -0.72 | 0.472 | -0.11 | 0.15 | -0.72 | 0.470 |
| North-East | Cmic | Lignin_content | Cmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.04 | 0.11 | 0.39 | 0.696 | 0.06 | 0.16 | 0.39 | 0.696 |
| North-East | Cmic | Lignin_content | Cmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.00 | 0.19 | -0.01 | 0.992 | 0.00 | 0.16 | -0.01 | 0.992 |
| North-East | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.39 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | Lignin_content | Cmic | ~ | Cmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 31.36 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.67 | 0.503 | -0.03 | 0.05 | -0.67 | 0.501 |
| North-East | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | -0.02 | 0.04 | -0.60 | 0.546 | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.61 | 0.544 |
| North-East | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.02 | 0.11 | 0.21 | 0.833 | 0.03 | 0.16 | 0.21 | 0.833 |
| North-East | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.02 | 0.19 | -0.12 | 0.902 | -0.02 | 0.16 | -0.12 | 0.902 |
| North-East | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.02 | 0.11 | 0.22 | 0.827 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.29 | 0.769 |
| North-East | Cmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.02 | 0.19 | -0.13 | 0.899 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.24 | 0.812 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|---------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| North-East | Cmic | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.02 | 0.16 | -0.13 | 0.897 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| North-East | Cmic | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.40 | 0.686 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.40 | 0.686 |
| North-East | Cmic | pH | Cmic | ~ | pH_historic | c | -0.13 | 0.09 | -1.50 | 0.134 | -0.21 | 0.13 | -1.53 | 0.126 |
| North-East | Cmic | pH | Cmic | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.17 | 0.23 | 0.74 | 0.459 | 0.10 | 0.14 | 0.74 | 0.457 |
| North-East | Cmic | pH | Cmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.02 | 0.11 | 0.18 | 0.860 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.18 | 0.860 |
| North-East | Cmic | pH | Cmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.07 | 0.18 | -0.36 | 0.717 | -0.06 | 0.15 | -0.36 | 0.717 |
| North-East | Cmic | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | pH | pH_historic | ~~ | pH_historic | | 0.10 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 193.05 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | pH | pH_change | ~~ | pH_change | | 0.01 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 62.03 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | pH | Cmic | ~~ | Cmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.83 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic | pH | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic | pH | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.897 | 0.00 | 0.03 | 0.13 | 0.897 |
| North-East | Cmic | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.35 | 0.723 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.36 | 0.723 |
| North-East | Cmic | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.02 | 0.11 | 0.20 | 0.844 | 0.03 | 0.16 | 0.20 | 0.844 |
| North-East | Cmic | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.06 | 0.18 | -0.32 | 0.746 | -0.05 | 0.15 | -0.32 | 0.746 |
| North-East | Cmic | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.02 | 0.11 | 0.21 | 0.833 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.37 | 0.712 |
| North-East | Cmic | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.06 | 0.18 | -0.33 | 0.743 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.45 | 0.651 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.32 | 0.747 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.32 | 0.747 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.30 | 0.17 | -1.77 | 0.077 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.82 | 0.068 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | Nmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.03 | 0.13 | 0.24 | 0.807 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.24 | 0.807 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | Nmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.12 | 0.13 | 0.86 | 0.388 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.87 | 0.384 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.04 | 0.11 | 0.36 | 0.718 | 0.06 | 0.16 | 0.36 | 0.718 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.03 | 0.18 | 0.16 | 0.876 | 0.03 | 0.16 | 0.16 | 0.876 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.51 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 14.57 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | Nmic | ~~ | Nmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 25.41 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.20 | 0.846 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.20 | 0.846 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.04 | 0.05 | -0.78 | 0.438 | -0.03 | 0.04 | -0.78 | 0.435 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.04 | 0.11 | 0.37 | 0.711 | 0.06 | 0.16 | 0.37 | 0.710 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.01 | 0.18 | -0.04 | 0.972 | -0.01 | 0.16 | -0.04 | 0.972 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.38 | 0.706 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.43 | 0.669 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.01 | 0.18 | -0.04 | 0.968 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.22 | 0.830 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.16 | 0.09 | 1.72 | 0.086 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.77 | 0.077 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.15 | 0.15 | -1.01 | 0.311 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -1.02 | 0.306 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | Nmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.15 | 0.15 | 1.03 | 0.303 | 0.15 | 0.14 | 1.04 | 0.298 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | Nmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.09 | 0.15 | 0.58 | 0.559 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.59 | 0.558 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.02 | 0.11 | 0.17 | 0.864 | 0.03 | 0.16 | 0.17 | 0.864 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.03 | 0.18 | -0.15 | 0.878 | -0.02 | 0.16 | -0.15 | 0.878 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.99 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 24.93 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | Nmic | ~~ | Nmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.97 | 0.05 | 19.21 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.88 | 0.377 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.89 | 0.373 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.51 | 0.613 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.51 | 0.612 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.04 | 0.11 | 0.40 | 0.691 | 0.06 | 0.16 | 0.40 | 0.690 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.04 | 0.18 | -0.23 | 0.819 | -0.04 | 0.15 | -0.23 | 0.819 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.04 | 0.11 | 0.41 | 0.680 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.55 | 0.583 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.04 | 0.18 | -0.24 | 0.814 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.44 | 0.657 |
| North-East | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.12 | 1.61 | 0.109 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.100 |
| North-East | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.20 | 0.19 | 0.850 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.19 | 0.850 |
| North-East | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Nmic | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.32 | 0.12 | 2.69 | 0.007 | 0.37 | 0.13 | 2.88 | 0.004 |
| North-East | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.02 | 0.10 | -0.23 | 0.817 | -0.04 | 0.15 | -0.23 | 0.817 |
| North-East | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.01 | 0.17 | -0.08 | 0.939 | -0.01 | 0.15 | -0.08 | 0.939 |
| North-East | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.84 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Nmic | Plant_biomass | Nmic | ~~ | Nmic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.87 | 0.09 | 9.66 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.06 | 0.05 | 1.38 | 0.168 | 0.09 | 0.07 | 1.40 | 0.161 |
| North-East | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.07 | 0.19 | 0.851 | 0.01 | 0.06 | 0.19 | 0.851 |
| North-East | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.04 | 0.11 | 0.35 | 0.724 | 0.06 | 0.16 | 0.35 | 0.723 |
| North-East | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.00 | 0.18 | 0.00 | 0.997 | 0.00 | 0.16 | 0.00 | 0.997 |
| North-East | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.04 | 0.11 | 0.36 | 0.719 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.39 | 0.694 |
| North-East | Nmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.00 | 0.18 | -0.01 | 0.994 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.17 | 0.863 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| North-East | Nmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.87 | 0.062 | 0.29 | 0.15 | 1.93 | 0.054 |
| North-East | Nmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.22 | 0.20 | 1.11 | 0.265 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 1.13 | 0.260 |
| North-East | Nmic | Lignin_content | Nmic | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.05 | 0.13 | 0.42 | 0.676 | 0.06 | 0.15 | 0.42 | 0.676 |
| North-East | Nmic | Lignin_content | Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.24 | 0.814 | 0.04 | 0.16 | 0.24 | 0.814 |
| North-East | Nmic | Lignin_content | Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.01 | 0.18 | -0.07 | 0.945 | -0.01 | 0.16 | -0.07 | 0.945 |
| North-East | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Nmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.39 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Nmic | Lignin_content | Nmic | ~ | Nmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 42.81 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.41 | 0.684 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.41 | 0.683 |
| North-East | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.39 | 0.696 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.39 | 0.695 |
| North-East | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.04 | 0.11 | 0.35 | 0.724 | 0.06 | 0.16 | 0.35 | 0.723 |
| North-East | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.00 | 0.18 | 0.00 | 0.997 | 0.00 | 0.16 | 0.00 | 0.997 |
| North-East | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.04 | 0.11 | 0.36 | 0.719 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.39 | 0.694 |
| North-East | Nmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.00 | 0.18 | -0.01 | 0.994 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.17 | 0.863 |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.02 | 0.16 | -0.13 | 0.897 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.40 | 0.686 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.40 | 0.686 |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | Nmic | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.00 | 0.08 | -0.05 | 0.962 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.05 | 0.962 |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | Nmic | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.45 | 0.22 | 2.01 | 0.044 | 0.27 | 0.13 | 2.09 | 0.037 |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.06 | 0.10 | 0.60 | 0.549 | 0.09 | 0.15 | 0.60 | 0.548 |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.00 | 0.17 | -0.01 | 0.990 | 0.00 | 0.15 | -0.01 | 0.990 |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.10 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 193.05 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.01 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 62.03 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | Nmic | ~ | Nmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.07 | 12.41 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.05 | 0.964 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.05 | 0.964 |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.40 | 0.692 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.40 | 0.692 |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.06 | 0.10 | 0.60 | 0.548 | 0.09 | 0.15 | 0.60 | 0.547 |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.02 | 0.18 | 0.09 | 0.930 | 0.01 | 0.16 | 0.09 | 0.930 |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.06 | 0.10 | 0.61 | 0.545 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.62 | 0.536 |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.01 | 0.18 | 0.08 | 0.935 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.18 | 0.859 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.32 | 0.747 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.32 | 0.747 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.30 | 0.17 | -1.77 | 0.077 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.82 | 0.068 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.04 | 0.10 | -0.41 | 0.681 | -0.05 | 0.13 | -0.41 | 0.681 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | -0.16 | 0.11 | -1.53 | 0.126 | -0.21 | 0.13 | -1.56 | 0.119 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.11 | 0.09 | -1.27 | 0.205 | -0.19 | 0.14 | -1.28 | 0.199 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.37 | 0.15 | -2.50 | 0.012 | -0.38 | 0.14 | -2.64 | 0.008 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.51 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 14.57 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | RatioCmic_Nmic | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.87 | 0.09 | 9.80 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.25 | 0.800 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.25 | 0.799 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.05 | 0.04 | 1.16 | 0.247 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 1.16 | 0.244 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.11 | 0.09 | -1.28 | 0.199 | -0.19 | 0.14 | -1.30 | 0.194 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.32 | 0.15 | -2.18 | 0.029 | -0.32 | 0.14 | -2.28 | 0.023 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.10 | 0.08 | -1.22 | 0.221 | -0.05 | 0.14 | -0.35 | 0.729 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.32 | 0.15 | -2.18 | 0.030 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.83 | 0.067 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.16 | 0.09 | 1.72 | 0.086 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.77 | 0.077 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.15 | 0.15 | -1.01 | 0.311 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -1.02 | 0.306 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.06 | 0.12 | 0.50 | 0.617 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.50 | 0.616 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.02 | 0.12 | 0.18 | 0.859 | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.18 | 0.859 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.12 | 0.09 | -1.33 | 0.182 | -0.20 | 0.15 | -1.35 | 0.176 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.34 | 0.15 | -2.33 | 0.020 | -0.35 | 0.14 | -2.44 | 0.015 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.99 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 24.93 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | RatioCmic_Nmic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.89 | 0.08 | 10.86 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.48 | 0.631 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.48 | 0.631 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.18 | 0.861 | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.18 | 0.861 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.11 | 0.09 | -1.25 | 0.210 | -0.19 | 0.15 | -1.27 | 0.204 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.34 | 0.15 | -2.37 | 0.018 | -0.35 | 0.14 | -2.49 | 0.013 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.10 | 0.09 | -1.19 | 0.235 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.25 | 0.805 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.34 | 0.15 | -2.37 | 0.018 | -0.27 | 0.13 | -2.07 | 0.038 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.12 | 1.61 | 0.109 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.100 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.20 | 0.19 | 0.850 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.19 | 0.850 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | -0.18 | 0.10 | -1.73 | 0.083 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.77 | 0.076 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.07 | 0.09 | -0.85 | 0.396 | -0.13 | 0.15 | -0.85 | 0.394 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.32 | 0.14 | -2.24 | 0.025 | -0.33 | 0.14 | -2.33 | 0.020 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.84 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | RatioCmic_Nmic | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.86 | 0.09 | 9.19 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.03 | 0.03 | -1.18 | 0.239 | -0.06 | 0.05 | -1.20 | 0.232 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.19 | 0.851 | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.19 | 0.851 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.11 | 0.09 | -1.23 | 0.219 | -0.19 | 0.15 | -1.25 | 0.213 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.33 | 0.15 | -2.22 | 0.027 | -0.33 | 0.14 | -2.32 | 0.020 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.10 | 0.09 | -1.17 | 0.243 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.29 | 0.770 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.32 | 0.15 | -2.21 | 0.027 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.90 | 0.057 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.87 | 0.062 | 0.29 | 0.15 | 1.93 | 0.054 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.22 | 0.20 | 1.11 | 0.265 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 1.13 | 0.260 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.01 | 0.11 | 0.12 | 0.906 | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.12 | 0.906 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.11 | 0.09 | -1.22 | 0.223 | -0.19 | 0.15 | -1.24 | 0.217 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.33 | 0.15 | -2.21 | 0.027 | -0.34 | 0.15 | -2.31 | 0.021 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.39 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | RatioCmic_Nmic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.48 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.12 | 0.906 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.12 | 0.906 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.12 | 0.906 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.12 | 0.906 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.11 | 0.09 | -1.23 | 0.219 | -0.19 | 0.15 | -1.25 | 0.213 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.33 | 0.15 | -2.22 | 0.027 | -0.33 | 0.14 | -2.32 | 0.020 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.10 | 0.09 | -1.17 | 0.243 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.29 | 0.770 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.32 | 0.15 | -2.21 | 0.027 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.90 | 0.057 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.02 | 0.16 | -0.13 | 0.897 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.40 | 0.686 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.40 | 0.686 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.02 | 0.06 | 0.28 | 0.777 | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.28 | 0.777 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | pH_change | d | -0.66 | 0.16 | -4.13 | 0.000 | -0.48 | 0.10 | -4.60 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.14 | 0.07 | -1.90 | 0.058 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.92 | 0.055 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.32 | 0.13 | -2.55 | 0.011 | -0.33 | 0.12 | -2.62 | 0.009 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.10 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 193.05 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.01 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 62.03 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | RatioCmic_Nmic | ~ | RatioCmic_Nmic | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.86 | 0.11 | 6.20 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.00 | -0.12 | 0.906 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.12 | 0.906 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.03 | 0.07 | -0.40 | 0.688 | -0.03 | 0.07 | -0.41 | 0.686 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.14 | 0.07 | -1.90 | 0.057 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.93 | 0.054 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.35 | 0.14 | -2.45 | 0.014 | -0.35 | 0.14 | -2.56 | 0.010 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.13 | 0.07 | -1.83 | 0.068 | -0.09 | 0.13 | -0.71 | 0.476 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.34 | 0.14 | -2.44 | 0.015 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.87 | 0.061 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.01 | 0.11 | -0.05 | 0.958 | -0.01 | 0.15 | -0.05 | 0.958 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.36 | 0.18 | -2.04 | 0.042 | -0.29 | 0.14 | -2.13 | 0.034 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | Pmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.90 | 0.366 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.91 | 0.363 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | Pmic | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | -0.34 | 0.14 | -2.35 | 0.019 | -0.33 | 0.14 | -2.47 | 0.013 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | Pmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.01 | 0.11 | -0.09 | 0.926 | -0.01 | 0.15 | -0.09 | 0.926 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | Pmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.09 | 0.20 | 0.46 | 0.646 | 0.07 | 0.15 | 0.46 | 0.646 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.55 | 0.011 | -0.41 | 0.12 | -3.30 | 0.001 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.80 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 432.79 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.80 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.08 | 11.80 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | Pmic | ~ | Pmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.80 | 0.000 | 0.85 | 0.10 | 8.90 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.80 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.80 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.05 | 0.958 | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.05 | 0.958 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.12 | 0.08 | 1.54 | 0.124 | 0.10 | 0.06 | 1.58 | 0.113 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.01 | 0.11 | -0.10 | 0.922 | -0.02 | 0.15 | -0.10 | 0.922 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.21 | 0.20 | 1.07 | 0.286 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 1.08 | 0.280 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.02 | 0.11 | -0.14 | 0.891 | -0.08 | 0.14 | -0.59 | 0.556 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.21 | 0.20 | 1.07 | 0.283 | 0.17 | 0.14 | 1.22 | 0.224 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.20 | 0.09 | 2.20 | 0.028 | 0.31 | 0.13 | 2.31 | 0.021 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.12 | 0.15 | -0.80 | 0.421 | -0.12 | 0.15 | -0.81 | 0.418 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | Pmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | -0.19 | 0.16 | -1.16 | 0.247 | -0.15 | 0.13 | -1.17 | 0.244 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | Pmic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.64 | 0.17 | -3.91 | 0.000 | -0.48 | 0.11 | -4.38 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | Pmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.11 | 0.12 | -0.97 | 0.333 | -0.13 | 0.14 | -0.97 | 0.331 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | Pmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.13 | 0.19 | 0.71 | 0.477 | 0.10 | 0.13 | 0.71 | 0.476 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.55 | 0.011 | -0.41 | 0.12 | -3.30 | 0.001 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.80 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.00 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.80 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 28.81 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | Pmic | ~ | Pmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.80 | 0.000 | 0.68 | 0.11 | 6.08 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.80 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.80 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.04 | 0.04 | -1.03 | 0.305 | -0.05 | 0.04 | -1.03 | 0.302 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.08 | 0.10 | 0.79 | 0.431 | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.80 | 0.424 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.15 | 0.11 | -1.34 | 0.181 | -0.18 | 0.13 | -1.35 | 0.177 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.21 | 0.21 | 1.01 | 0.314 | 0.15 | 0.15 | 1.02 | 0.308 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.16 | 0.11 | -1.39 | 0.164 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.93 | 0.053 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.21 | 0.21 | 1.03 | 0.305 | 0.22 | 0.14 | 1.62 | 0.106 |
| North-East | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.17 | 0.12 | 1.40 | 0.161 | 0.22 | 0.16 | 1.43 | 0.152 |
| North-East | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.05 | 0.20 | 0.26 | 0.798 | 0.04 | 0.16 | 0.26 | 0.798 |
| North-East | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Pmic | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | -0.14 | 0.14 | -0.97 | 0.332 | -0.14 | 0.15 | -0.98 | 0.328 |
| North-East | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Pmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.22 | 0.829 | 0.04 | 0.16 | 0.22 | 0.829 |
| North-East | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Pmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.28 | 0.20 | 1.41 | 0.159 | 0.22 | 0.16 | 1.44 | 0.151 |
| North-East | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.52 | 0.012 | -0.41 | 0.13 | -3.26 | 0.001 |
| North-East | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.96 | 0.06 | 15.95 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Pmic | Plant_biomass | Pmic | ~ | Pmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.07 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.80 | 0.425 | -0.03 | 0.04 | -0.80 | 0.422 |
| North-East | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.25 | 0.805 | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.25 | 0.805 |
| North-East | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.00 | 0.12 | 0.02 | 0.986 | 0.00 | 0.16 | 0.02 | 0.986 |
| North-East | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.27 | 0.20 | 1.36 | 0.174 | 0.22 | 0.16 | 1.39 | 0.166 |
| North-East | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.00 | 0.12 | -0.03 | 0.977 | -0.09 | 0.15 | -0.57 | 0.566 |
| North-East | Pmic | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.27 | 0.20 | 1.37 | 0.172 | 0.22 | 0.14 | 1.51 | 0.130 |
| North-East | Pmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.27 | 0.12 | 2.16 | 0.031 | 0.34 | 0.15 | 2.27 | 0.024 |
| North-East | Pmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.20 | 0.21 | 0.99 | 0.322 | 0.15 | 0.15 | 1.00 | 0.318 |
| North-East | Pmic | Lignin_content | Pmic | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.25 | 0.14 | 1.79 | 0.074 | 0.26 | 0.14 | 1.85 | 0.065 |
| North-East | Pmic | Lignin_content | Pmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.06 | 0.12 | -0.53 | 0.596 | -0.09 | 0.16 | -0.53 | 0.595 |
| North-East | Pmic | Lignin_content | Pmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.22 | 0.19 | 1.13 | 0.259 | 0.18 | 0.15 | 1.14 | 0.253 |
| North-East | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.52 | 0.012 | -0.41 | 0.13 | -3.26 | 0.001 |
| North-East | Pmic | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 10.93 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Pmic | Lignin_content | Pmic | ~ | Pmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 0.89 | 0.09 | 10.13 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.74 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.07 | 0.05 | 1.38 | 0.168 | 0.09 | 0.06 | 1.40 | 0.161 |
| North-East | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.87 | 0.386 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.88 | 0.380 |
| North-East | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.00 | 0.12 | 0.02 | 0.986 | 0.00 | 0.16 | 0.02 | 0.986 |
| North-East | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.27 | 0.20 | 1.36 | 0.174 | 0.22 | 0.16 | 1.39 | 0.166 |
| North-East | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.00 | 0.12 | -0.03 | 0.977 | -0.09 | 0.15 | -0.57 | 0.566 |
| North-East | Pmic | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.27 | 0.20 | 1.37 | 0.172 | 0.22 | 0.14 | 1.51 | 0.130 |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.05 | 0.16 | -0.28 | 0.782 | -0.04 | 0.15 | -0.28 | 0.782 |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.02 | 0.11 | 0.22 | 0.825 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.22 | 0.825 |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | Pmic | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.21 | 0.10 | 2.19 | 0.029 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 2.28 | 0.023 |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | Pmic | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.35 | 0.25 | 1.39 | 0.166 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 1.41 | 0.160 |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | Pmic | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.04 | 0.12 | 0.36 | 0.718 | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.36 | 0.717 |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | Pmic | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.32 | 0.20 | 1.61 | 0.108 | 0.24 | 0.14 | 1.64 | 0.101 |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.55 | 0.011 | -0.41 | 0.12 | -3.30 | 0.001 |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.10 | 0.02 | 4.80 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 83.21 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 4.80 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 104.10 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | Pmic | ~ | Pmic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.80 | 0.000 | 0.83 | 0.10 | 8.34 | 0.000 |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.80 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.80 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.27 | 0.784 | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.28 | 0.783 |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.22 | 0.827 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.22 | 0.827 |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.27 | 0.788 | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.27 | 0.788 |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.32 | 0.20 | 1.62 | 0.105 | 0.24 | 0.15 | 1.66 | 0.098 |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.22 | 0.827 | -0.06 | 0.15 | -0.39 | 0.694 |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.32 | 0.20 | 1.62 | 0.105 | 0.23 | 0.14 | 1.67 | 0.095 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|------------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.32 | 0.747 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.32 | 0.747 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.30 | 0.17 | -1.77 | 0.077 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.82 | 0.068 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Glucosidase | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.25 | 0.804 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.25 | 0.804 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Glucosidase | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.37 | 0.708 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.38 | 0.708 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.05 | 0.11 | 0.48 | 0.631 | 0.07 | 0.15 | 0.48 | 0.630 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.29 | 0.19 | 1.51 | 0.132 | 0.24 | 0.15 | 1.54 | 0.123 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.51 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 14.57 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Glucosidase | ~~ | Glucosidase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.96 | 0.06 | 16.66 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.20 | 0.844 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.20 | 0.844 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.02 | 0.04 | -0.37 | 0.714 | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.37 | 0.714 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.49 | 0.623 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.49 | 0.622 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.28 | 0.19 | 1.46 | 0.144 | 0.22 | 0.15 | 1.49 | 0.136 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.05 | 0.11 | 0.45 | 0.656 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.15 | 0.881 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.27 | 0.19 | 1.46 | 0.144 | 0.19 | 0.14 | 1.41 | 0.160 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.16 | 0.09 | 1.72 | 0.086 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.77 | 0.077 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.15 | 0.15 | -1.01 | 0.311 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -1.02 | 0.306 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Glucosidase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.20 | 0.15 | 1.35 | 0.177 | 0.19 | 0.14 | 1.37 | 0.170 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Glucosidase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.15 | 0.16 | -0.97 | 0.332 | -0.13 | 0.14 | -0.98 | 0.328 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.03 | 0.11 | -0.23 | 0.819 | -0.04 | 0.15 | -0.23 | 0.819 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.17 | 0.18 | 0.91 | 0.364 | 0.14 | 0.15 | 0.92 | 0.360 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.99 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 24.93 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Glucosidase | ~~ | Glucosidase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.06 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.03 | 0.03 | 1.06 | 0.289 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 1.07 | 0.285 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.70 | 0.484 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.70 | 0.481 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.01 | 0.11 | 0.06 | 0.952 | 0.01 | 0.15 | 0.06 | 0.952 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.19 | 0.18 | 1.03 | 0.301 | 0.16 | 0.15 | 1.04 | 0.297 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.00 | 0.11 | 0.02 | 0.981 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.42 | 0.676 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.19 | 0.18 | 1.04 | 0.299 | 0.15 | 0.14 | 1.12 | 0.261 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.12 | 1.61 | 0.109 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.100 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.20 | 0.19 | 0.850 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.19 | 0.850 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Glucosidase | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.05 | 0.13 | 0.40 | 0.687 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.40 | 0.687 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Glucosidase | ~ | Plant_biomass | e | 0.05 | 0.12 | 0.40 | 0.692 | 0.06 | 0.16 | 0.40 | 0.692 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.29 | 0.19 | 1.50 | 0.134 | 0.23 | 0.15 | 1.53 | 0.126 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.84 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | Glucosidase | ~~ | Glucosidase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.95 | 0.06 | 15.98 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.39 | 0.696 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.39 | 0.696 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.17 | 0.864 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.17 | 0.864 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.50 | 0.619 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.50 | 0.618 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.29 | 0.19 | 1.51 | 0.132 | 0.23 | 0.15 | 1.54 | 0.123 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.05 | 0.11 | 0.45 | 0.653 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.16 | 0.870 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.29 | 0.19 | 1.51 | 0.131 | 0.20 | 0.14 | 1.46 | 0.145 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.87 | 0.062 | 0.29 | 0.15 | 1.93 | 0.054 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.22 | 0.20 | 1.11 | 0.265 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 1.13 | 0.260 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Glucosidase | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.52 | 0.603 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.52 | 0.602 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.04 | 0.12 | 0.35 | 0.727 | 0.06 | 0.16 | 0.35 | 0.727 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.27 | 0.19 | 1.41 | 0.158 | 0.22 | 0.15 | 1.44 | 0.150 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.39 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | Glucosidase | ~~ | Glucosidase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.95 | 0.06 | 15.64 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.50 | 0.617 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.50 | 0.616 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.47 | 0.638 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.47 | 0.637 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.50 | 0.619 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.50 | 0.618 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.29 | 0.19 | 1.51 | 0.132 | 0.23 | 0.15 | 1.54 | 0.123 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.05 | 0.11 | 0.45 | 0.653 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.16 | 0.870 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.29 | 0.19 | 1.51 | 0.131 | 0.20 | 0.14 | 1.46 | 0.145 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|------------------|---------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.02 | 0.16 | -0.13 | 0.897 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.40 | 0.686 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.40 | 0.686 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | Glucosidase | ~ | pH_historic | c | -0.09 | 0.08 | -1.17 | 0.243 | -0.14 | 0.12 | -1.17 | 0.240 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | Glucosidase | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.80 | 0.20 | 3.91 | 0.000 | 0.47 | 0.11 | 4.38 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.09 | 0.09 | 0.94 | 0.350 | 0.12 | 0.13 | 0.94 | 0.348 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | Glucosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.25 | 0.16 | 1.57 | 0.116 | 0.21 | 0.13 | 1.59 | 0.112 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | pH_historic | ~~ | pH_historic | | 0.10 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 193.05 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | pH_change | ~~ | pH_change | | 0.01 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 62.03 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | Glucosidase | ~~ | Glucosidase | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.72 | 0.11 | 6.73 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.898 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.898 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.03 | 0.08 | 0.40 | 0.688 | 0.03 | 0.07 | 0.40 | 0.686 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.09 | 0.10 | 0.94 | 0.345 | 0.13 | 0.13 | 0.95 | 0.343 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.28 | 0.18 | 1.59 | 0.112 | 0.24 | 0.15 | 1.62 | 0.105 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.89 | 0.371 | 0.03 | 0.13 | 0.20 | 0.845 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.28 | 0.18 | 1.59 | 0.113 | 0.18 | 0.14 | 1.33 | 0.183 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.32 | 0.747 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.32 | 0.747 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.30 | 0.17 | -1.77 | 0.077 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.82 | 0.068 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Xylosidase | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.10 | 0.13 | 0.77 | 0.444 | 0.11 | 0.14 | 0.77 | 0.442 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Xylosidase | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.03 | 0.13 | 0.23 | 0.820 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.23 | 0.820 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.03 | 0.10 | 0.26 | 0.795 | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.26 | 0.795 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.28 | 0.18 | 1.59 | 0.111 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.63 | 0.102 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.51 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 14.57 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | Xylosidase | ~~ | Xylosidase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 14.21 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.30 | 0.766 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.30 | 0.766 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.23 | 0.822 | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.23 | 0.822 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.03 | 0.10 | 0.29 | 0.772 | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.29 | 0.772 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.28 | 0.17 | 1.58 | 0.114 | 0.24 | 0.15 | 1.62 | 0.105 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.02 | 0.10 | 0.24 | 0.812 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.42 | 0.674 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.27 | 0.17 | 1.59 | 0.112 | 0.22 | 0.13 | 1.65 | 0.099 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.16 | 0.09 | 1.72 | 0.086 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.77 | 0.077 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.15 | 0.15 | -1.01 | 0.311 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -1.02 | 0.306 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Xylosidase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.00 | 0.14 | -0.02 | 0.981 | 0.00 | 0.13 | -0.02 | 0.981 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Xylosidase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.32 | 0.14 | -2.27 | 0.023 | -0.30 | 0.13 | -2.37 | 0.018 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.03 | 0.10 | -0.29 | 0.773 | -0.04 | 0.15 | -0.29 | 0.773 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.21 | 0.17 | 1.22 | 0.222 | 0.18 | 0.14 | 1.24 | 0.217 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.99 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 24.94 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | Xylosidase | ~~ | Xylosidase | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.85 | 0.09 | 9.24 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.02 | 0.981 | 0.00 | 0.03 | -0.02 | 0.981 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.93 | 0.355 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.94 | 0.348 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.03 | 0.10 | -0.30 | 0.764 | -0.04 | 0.15 | -0.30 | 0.764 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.25 | 0.17 | 1.46 | 0.143 | 0.22 | 0.15 | 1.49 | 0.135 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.04 | 0.10 | -0.36 | 0.719 | -0.14 | 0.13 | -1.04 | 0.300 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.26 | 0.17 | 1.47 | 0.140 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.80 | 0.073 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.12 | 1.61 | 0.109 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.100 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.20 | 0.19 | 0.850 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.19 | 0.850 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Xylosidase | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | -0.04 | 0.12 | -0.31 | 0.755 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.31 | 0.755 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.04 | 0.11 | 0.41 | 0.681 | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.41 | 0.680 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.31 | 0.18 | 1.75 | 0.081 | 0.27 | 0.15 | 1.80 | 0.072 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.84 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | Xylosidase | ~~ | Xylosidase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 13.91 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.31 | 0.759 | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.31 | 0.759 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.16 | 0.872 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.16 | 0.872 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.35 | 0.726 | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.35 | 0.726 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.31 | 0.18 | 1.74 | 0.082 | 0.27 | 0.15 | 1.79 | 0.074 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.03 | 0.10 | 0.29 | 0.770 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.43 | 0.668 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.31 | 0.18 | 1.74 | 0.082 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.81 | 0.070 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.87 | 0.062 | 0.29 | 0.15 | 1.93 | 0.054 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.22 | 0.20 | 1.11 | 0.265 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 1.13 | 0.260 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Xylosidase | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.29 | 0.771 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.29 | 0.771 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.26 | 0.792 | 0.04 | 0.16 | 0.26 | 0.792 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.30 | 0.18 | 1.67 | 0.095 | 0.26 | 0.15 | 1.72 | 0.086 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.39 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | Xylosidase | ~ | Xylosidase | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 13.93 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.29 | 0.773 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.29 | 0.773 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.28 | 0.778 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.28 | 0.778 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.35 | 0.726 | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.35 | 0.726 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.31 | 0.18 | 1.74 | 0.082 | 0.27 | 0.15 | 1.79 | 0.074 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.03 | 0.10 | 0.29 | 0.770 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.43 | 0.668 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.31 | 0.18 | 1.74 | 0.082 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.81 | 0.070 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.02 | 0.16 | -0.13 | 0.897 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.40 | 0.686 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.40 | 0.686 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | Xylosidase | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.05 | 0.08 | 0.59 | 0.557 | 0.07 | 0.13 | 0.59 | 0.556 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | Xylosidase | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.62 | 0.21 | 2.99 | 0.003 | 0.38 | 0.12 | 3.20 | 0.001 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.77 | 0.441 | 0.11 | 0.14 | 0.77 | 0.440 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | Xylosidase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.32 | 0.16 | 1.95 | 0.052 | 0.27 | 0.14 | 1.99 | 0.046 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.10 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 193.05 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.01 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 62.03 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | Xylosidase | ~ | Xylosidase | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.79 | 0.10 | 7.67 | 0.000 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.13 | 0.899 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.13 | 0.899 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.03 | 0.06 | 0.40 | 0.688 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.40 | 0.687 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.76 | 0.448 | 0.11 | 0.14 | 0.76 | 0.447 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.34 | 0.17 | 1.96 | 0.049 | 0.29 | 0.14 | 2.03 | 0.042 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.69 | 0.488 | -0.02 | 0.13 | -0.15 | 0.879 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.34 | 0.17 | 1.97 | 0.049 | 0.25 | 0.13 | 1.86 | 0.063 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.32 | 0.747 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.32 | 0.747 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.30 | 0.17 | -1.77 | 0.077 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.82 | 0.068 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | Chitinase | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.26 | 0.12 | 2.23 | 0.025 | 0.29 | 0.12 | 2.32 | 0.020 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | Chitinase | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.21 | 0.12 | 1.75 | 0.081 | 0.23 | 0.13 | 1.78 | 0.075 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.39 | 0.699 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.39 | 0.699 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.32 | 0.17 | 1.92 | 0.055 | 0.28 | 0.14 | 1.97 | 0.049 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.51 | 0.000 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 14.57 | 0.000 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | Chitinase | ~ | Chitinase | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.83 | 0.10 | 8.66 | 0.000 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.32 | 0.749 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.32 | 0.749 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.06 | 0.05 | -1.24 | 0.214 | -0.06 | 0.05 | -1.25 | 0.212 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.46 | 0.645 | 0.07 | 0.15 | 0.46 | 0.645 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.26 | 0.17 | 1.53 | 0.125 | 0.22 | 0.14 | 1.56 | 0.118 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.41 | 0.680 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.20 | 0.839 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.25 | 0.17 | 1.54 | 0.125 | 0.19 | 0.13 | 1.48 | 0.139 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.16 | 0.09 | 1.72 | 0.086 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.77 | 0.077 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.15 | 0.15 | -1.01 | 0.311 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -1.02 | 0.306 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | Chitinase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.92 | 0.359 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.92 | 0.356 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | Chitinase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.67 | 0.506 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.67 | 0.504 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.08 | 0.933 | 0.01 | 0.15 | 0.08 | 0.933 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.25 | 0.17 | 1.51 | 0.130 | 0.23 | 0.15 | 1.55 | 0.122 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.99 | 0.000 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 24.94 | 0.000 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | Chitinase | ~ | Chitinase | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.07 | 12.94 | 0.000 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.81 | 0.419 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.81 | 0.416 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.56 | 0.578 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.56 | 0.577 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.03 | 0.10 | 0.29 | 0.775 | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.29 | 0.775 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.27 | 0.17 | 1.61 | 0.108 | 0.24 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.100 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.02 | 0.10 | 0.23 | 0.817 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.44 | 0.662 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.26 | 0.16 | 1.61 | 0.107 | 0.22 | 0.13 | 1.68 | 0.093 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|----------------|--------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| North-East | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.12 | 1.61 | 0.109 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.100 |
| North-East | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.20 | 0.19 | 0.850 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.19 | 0.850 |
| North-East | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Chitinase | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | -0.05 | 0.12 | -0.44 | 0.660 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.44 | 0.660 |
| North-East | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.68 | 0.499 | 0.11 | 0.16 | 0.68 | 0.498 |
| North-East | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.33 | 0.17 | 1.96 | 0.050 | 0.30 | 0.15 | 2.04 | 0.042 |
| North-East | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.84 | 0.000 |
| North-East | chitinase | Plant_biomass | Chitinase | ~ | Chitinase | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.07 | 12.63 | 0.000 |
| North-East | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.42 | 0.672 | -0.02 | 0.04 | -0.42 | 0.671 |
| North-East | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.17 | 0.862 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.17 | 0.862 |
| North-East | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.06 | 0.10 | 0.59 | 0.554 | 0.09 | 0.15 | 0.59 | 0.553 |
| North-East | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.33 | 0.17 | 1.95 | 0.052 | 0.30 | 0.15 | 2.02 | 0.043 |
| North-East | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.53 | 0.597 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.27 | 0.791 |
| North-East | chitinase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.33 | 0.17 | 1.95 | 0.051 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 1.93 | 0.053 |
| North-East | chitinase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.87 | 0.062 | 0.29 | 0.15 | 1.93 | 0.054 |
| North-East | chitinase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.22 | 0.20 | 1.11 | 0.265 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 1.13 | 0.260 |
| North-East | chitinase | Lignin_content | Chitinase | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.04 | 0.12 | 0.36 | 0.718 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.36 | 0.718 |
| North-East | chitinase | Lignin_content | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.48 | 0.632 | 0.08 | 0.16 | 0.48 | 0.631 |
| North-East | chitinase | Lignin_content | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.32 | 0.17 | 1.87 | 0.062 | 0.29 | 0.15 | 1.93 | 0.053 |
| North-East | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | chitinase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.39 | 0.000 |
| North-East | chitinase | Lignin_content | Chitinase | ~ | Chitinase | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.07 | 12.73 | 0.000 |
| North-East | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.36 | 0.723 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.36 | 0.723 |
| North-East | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.34 | 0.731 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.34 | 0.731 |
| North-East | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.06 | 0.10 | 0.59 | 0.554 | 0.09 | 0.15 | 0.59 | 0.553 |
| North-East | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.33 | 0.17 | 1.95 | 0.052 | 0.30 | 0.15 | 2.02 | 0.043 |
| North-East | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.53 | 0.597 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.27 | 0.791 |
| North-East | chitinase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.33 | 0.17 | 1.95 | 0.051 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 1.93 | 0.053 |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.02 | 0.16 | -0.13 | 0.897 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.40 | 0.686 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.40 | 0.686 |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | Chitinase | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.03 | 0.08 | 0.35 | 0.727 | 0.05 | 0.13 | 0.35 | 0.726 |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | Chitinase | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.49 | 0.20 | 2.38 | 0.017 | 0.31 | 0.12 | 2.48 | 0.013 |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.09 | 0.09 | 0.92 | 0.356 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.93 | 0.354 |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | Chitinase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.33 | 0.16 | 2.08 | 0.038 | 0.30 | 0.14 | 2.15 | 0.032 |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.10 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 193.05 | 0.000 |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.01 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 62.03 | 0.000 |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | Chitinase | ~ | Chitinase | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.83 | 0.10 | 8.48 | 0.000 |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.00 | -0.12 | 0.903 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.12 | 0.903 |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.40 | 0.691 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.40 | 0.689 |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.09 | 0.09 | 0.92 | 0.360 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.92 | 0.357 |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.35 | 0.17 | 2.11 | 0.035 | 0.31 | 0.14 | 2.20 | 0.028 |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.85 | 0.395 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.03 | 0.973 |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.35 | 0.17 | 2.11 | 0.035 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 1.95 | 0.051 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.32 | 0.747 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.32 | 0.747 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.30 | 0.17 | -1.77 | 0.077 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.82 | 0.068 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_leaf_P | Urease | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.10 | 0.12 | 0.84 | 0.400 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.85 | 0.397 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_leaf_P | Urease | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.00 | 0.12 | -0.03 | 0.976 | 0.00 | 0.14 | -0.03 | 0.976 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_leaf_P | Urease | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.73 | 0.463 | 0.11 | 0.15 | 0.74 | 0.461 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_leaf_P | Urease | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.06 | 0.17 | -0.37 | 0.711 | -0.06 | 0.16 | -0.37 | 0.711 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.51 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 14.57 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_leaf_P | Urease | ~ | Urease | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.96 | 0.05 | 18.45 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.30 | 0.763 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.30 | 0.763 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.976 | 0.00 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.976 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.77 | 0.444 | 0.12 | 0.15 | 0.77 | 0.442 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.06 | 0.16 | -0.37 | 0.710 | -0.06 | 0.15 | -0.37 | 0.709 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.08 | 0.10 | 0.79 | 0.430 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 1.03 | 0.302 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.06 | 0.16 | -0.38 | 0.701 | -0.11 | 0.14 | -0.78 | 0.436 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| North-East | urease | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.16 | 0.09 | 1.72 | 0.086 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.77 | 0.077 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.15 | 0.15 | -1.01 | 0.311 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -1.02 | 0.306 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_Myclnt | Urease | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.17 | 0.867 | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.17 | 0.867 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_Myclnt | Urease | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.25 | 0.14 | -1.83 | 0.068 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.88 | 0.060 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_Myclnt | Urease | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.03 | 0.10 | 0.26 | 0.792 | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.26 | 0.792 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_Myclnt | Urease | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.12 | 0.16 | -0.72 | 0.472 | -0.11 | 0.15 | -0.72 | 0.470 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.99 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 24.93 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_Myclnt | Urease | ~ | Urease | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.11 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.17 | 0.867 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.17 | 0.867 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.89 | 0.376 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.89 | 0.374 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.03 | 0.09 | 0.31 | 0.760 | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.31 | 0.759 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.08 | 0.16 | -0.48 | 0.633 | -0.07 | 0.16 | -0.48 | 0.633 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.03 | 0.09 | 0.33 | 0.743 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.57 | 0.569 |
| North-East | urease | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.08 | 0.16 | -0.48 | 0.629 | -0.09 | 0.14 | -0.67 | 0.503 |
| North-East | urease | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.12 | 1.61 | 0.109 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.100 |
| North-East | urease | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.20 | 0.19 | 0.850 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.19 | 0.850 |
| North-East | urease | Plant_biomass | Urease | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.04 | 0.12 | 0.32 | 0.748 | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.32 | 0.748 |
| North-East | urease | Plant_biomass | Urease | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.74 | 0.458 | 0.12 | 0.16 | 0.75 | 0.455 |
| North-East | urease | Plant_biomass | Urease | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.03 | 0.17 | -0.19 | 0.852 | -0.03 | 0.16 | -0.19 | 0.852 |
| North-East | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.84 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | Plant_biomass | Urease | ~ | Urease | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 23.05 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.32 | 0.753 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.32 | 0.753 |
| North-East | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.16 | 0.871 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.16 | 0.871 |
| North-East | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.08 | 0.10 | 0.84 | 0.404 | 0.13 | 0.16 | 0.84 | 0.400 |
| North-East | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.03 | 0.17 | -0.18 | 0.859 | -0.03 | 0.16 | -0.18 | 0.859 |
| North-East | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.08 | 0.10 | 0.85 | 0.393 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 1.02 | 0.308 |
| North-East | urease | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.03 | 0.16 | -0.19 | 0.850 | -0.08 | 0.14 | -0.59 | 0.553 |
| North-East | urease | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.87 | 0.062 | 0.29 | 0.15 | 1.93 | 0.054 |
| North-East | urease | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.22 | 0.20 | 1.11 | 0.265 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 1.13 | 0.260 |
| North-East | urease | Lignin_content | Urease | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.04 | 0.12 | 0.31 | 0.757 | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.31 | 0.757 |
| North-East | urease | Lignin_content | Urease | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.73 | 0.467 | 0.12 | 0.16 | 0.73 | 0.464 |
| North-East | urease | Lignin_content | Urease | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.04 | 0.17 | -0.22 | 0.823 | -0.04 | 0.16 | -0.22 | 0.823 |
| North-East | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.39 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | Lignin_content | Urease | ~ | Urease | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 23.12 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.31 | 0.760 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.31 | 0.760 |
| North-East | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.30 | 0.765 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.30 | 0.765 |
| North-East | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.08 | 0.10 | 0.84 | 0.404 | 0.13 | 0.16 | 0.84 | 0.400 |
| North-East | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | -0.03 | 0.17 | -0.18 | 0.859 | -0.03 | 0.16 | -0.18 | 0.859 |
| North-East | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.08 | 0.10 | 0.85 | 0.393 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 1.02 | 0.308 |
| North-East | urease | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.03 | 0.16 | -0.19 | 0.850 | -0.08 | 0.14 | -0.59 | 0.553 |
| North-East | urease | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.02 | 0.16 | -0.13 | 0.897 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| North-East | urease | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.40 | 0.686 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.40 | 0.686 |
| North-East | urease | pH | Urease | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.27 | 0.06 | 4.19 | 0.000 | 0.42 | 0.10 | 4.38 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | pH | Urease | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.90 | 0.17 | 5.34 | 0.000 | 0.54 | 0.09 | 5.96 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | pH | Urease | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.16 | 0.08 | 2.03 | 0.042 | 0.23 | 0.11 | 2.04 | 0.041 |
| North-East | urease | pH | Urease | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.06 | 0.13 | 0.45 | 0.652 | 0.05 | 0.11 | 0.45 | 0.652 |
| North-East | urease | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.10 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 193.05 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.01 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 62.03 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | pH | Urease | ~ | Urease | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.50 | 0.09 | 5.34 | 0.000 |
| North-East | urease | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | urease | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | urease | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.13 | 0.897 | -0.01 | 0.06 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| North-East | urease | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.04 | 0.09 | 0.40 | 0.687 | 0.03 | 0.08 | 0.40 | 0.687 |
| North-East | urease | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.15 | 0.09 | 1.73 | 0.084 | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.75 | 0.080 |
| North-East | urease | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.10 | 0.16 | 0.60 | 0.548 | 0.08 | 0.13 | 0.60 | 0.548 |
| North-East | urease | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.15 | 0.09 | 1.73 | 0.084 | 0.18 | 0.12 | 1.52 | 0.127 |
| North-East | urease | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.09 | 0.16 | 0.58 | 0.560 | -0.01 | 0.13 | -0.10 | 0.920 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| North-East | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.32 | 0.747 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.32 | 0.747 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.30 | 0.17 | -1.77 | 0.077 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.82 | 0.068 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | DEA | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.41 | 0.15 | 2.81 | 0.005 | 0.37 | 0.12 | 3.02 | 0.003 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | DEA | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.88 | 0.379 | 0.12 | 0.13 | 0.88 | 0.377 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | DEA | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.06 | 0.12 | -0.54 | 0.591 | -0.08 | 0.14 | -0.54 | 0.591 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | DEA | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.04 | 0.21 | -0.19 | 0.850 | -0.03 | 0.15 | -0.19 | 0.850 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.51 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 14.57 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | DEA | ~~ | DEA | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.85 | 0.09 | 9.16 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.32 | 0.748 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.32 | 0.748 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.04 | 0.05 | -0.79 | 0.431 | -0.03 | 0.04 | -0.79 | 0.429 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.05 | 0.13 | -0.40 | 0.692 | -0.06 | 0.15 | -0.40 | 0.691 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | -0.08 | 0.20 | -0.39 | 0.697 | -0.06 | 0.15 | -0.39 | 0.696 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.05 | 0.12 | -0.39 | 0.697 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.26 | 0.795 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | -0.08 | 0.20 | -0.39 | 0.699 | -0.03 | 0.13 | -0.23 | 0.820 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.16 | 0.09 | 1.72 | 0.086 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.77 | 0.077 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.15 | 0.15 | -1.01 | 0.311 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -1.02 | 0.306 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | DEA | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | -0.34 | 0.16 | -2.15 | 0.032 | -0.26 | 0.12 | -2.20 | 0.028 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | DEA | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.65 | 0.16 | -3.97 | 0.000 | -0.47 | 0.11 | -4.44 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | DEA | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.07 | 0.12 | -0.63 | 0.528 | -0.08 | 0.13 | -0.63 | 0.527 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | DEA | ~ | LUI_change | f | -0.04 | 0.19 | -0.22 | 0.825 | -0.03 | 0.13 | -0.22 | 0.825 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.99 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 24.93 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | DEA | ~~ | DEA | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.69 | 0.11 | 6.55 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.05 | 0.04 | -1.34 | 0.180 | -0.06 | 0.05 | -1.36 | 0.174 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.98 | 0.326 | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0.99 | 0.321 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.13 | 0.12 | -1.08 | 0.281 | -0.15 | 0.13 | -1.08 | 0.278 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.06 | 0.22 | 0.26 | 0.795 | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.26 | 0.795 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.13 | 0.12 | -1.10 | 0.270 | -0.16 | 0.13 | -1.30 | 0.195 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.06 | 0.22 | 0.27 | 0.785 | 0.10 | 0.14 | 0.74 | 0.461 |
| North-East | DEA | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.12 | 1.61 | 0.109 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.100 |
| North-East | DEA | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.20 | 0.19 | 0.850 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.19 | 0.850 |
| North-East | DEA | Plant_biomass | DEA | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | -0.09 | 0.15 | -0.59 | 0.555 | -0.09 | 0.15 | -0.59 | 0.553 |
| North-East | DEA | Plant_biomass | DEA | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.01 | 0.13 | -0.05 | 0.957 | -0.01 | 0.16 | -0.05 | 0.957 |
| North-East | DEA | Plant_biomass | DEA | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.05 | 0.21 | 0.22 | 0.824 | 0.04 | 0.16 | 0.22 | 0.824 |
| North-East | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.84 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | Plant_biomass | DEA | ~~ | DEA | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.03 | 35.23 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.56 | 0.579 | -0.02 | 0.04 | -0.56 | 0.578 |
| North-East | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.18 | 0.857 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.18 | 0.857 |
| North-East | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.02 | 0.12 | -0.19 | 0.849 | -0.03 | 0.16 | -0.19 | 0.849 |
| North-East | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.04 | 0.21 | 0.21 | 0.837 | 0.03 | 0.16 | 0.21 | 0.836 |
| North-East | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.03 | 0.12 | -0.20 | 0.841 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.31 | 0.757 |
| North-East | DEA | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.04 | 0.21 | 0.21 | 0.834 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.32 | 0.749 |
| North-East | DEA | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.87 | 0.062 | 0.29 | 0.15 | 1.93 | 0.054 |
| North-East | DEA | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.22 | 0.20 | 1.11 | 0.265 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 1.13 | 0.260 |
| North-East | DEA | Lignin_content | DEA | ~ | Lignin_content | c | -0.06 | 0.15 | -0.38 | 0.702 | -0.06 | 0.15 | -0.38 | 0.702 |
| North-East | DEA | Lignin_content | DEA | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.01 | 0.13 | -0.09 | 0.932 | -0.01 | 0.16 | -0.09 | 0.932 |
| North-East | DEA | Lignin_content | DEA | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.06 | 0.21 | 0.26 | 0.792 | 0.04 | 0.16 | 0.26 | 0.792 |
| North-East | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.39 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | Lignin_content | DEA | ~~ | DEA | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.99 | 0.02 | 46.04 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.38 | 0.708 | -0.02 | 0.04 | -0.38 | 0.708 |
| North-East | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.36 | 0.718 | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.36 | 0.717 |
| North-East | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | -0.02 | 0.12 | -0.19 | 0.849 | -0.03 | 0.16 | -0.19 | 0.849 |
| North-East | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.04 | 0.21 | 0.21 | 0.837 | 0.03 | 0.16 | 0.21 | 0.836 |
| North-East | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | -0.03 | 0.12 | -0.20 | 0.841 | -0.04 | 0.14 | -0.31 | 0.757 |
| North-East | DEA | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.04 | 0.21 | 0.21 | 0.834 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.32 | 0.749 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|---------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| North-East | DEA | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.02 | 0.16 | -0.13 | 0.897 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| North-East | DEA | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.40 | 0.686 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.40 | 0.686 |
| North-East | DEA | pH | DEA | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.50 | 0.08 | 6.27 | 0.000 | 0.62 | 0.08 | 7.55 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | pH | DEA | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.75 | 0.21 | 3.55 | 0.000 | 0.35 | 0.10 | 3.62 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | pH | DEA | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.71 | 0.476 | 0.08 | 0.11 | 0.71 | 0.476 |
| North-East | DEA | pH | DEA | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.21 | 0.16 | 1.25 | 0.212 | 0.14 | 0.11 | 1.25 | 0.211 |
| North-East | DEA | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | pH | pH_historic | ~~ | pH_historic | | 0.10 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 193.05 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | pH | pH_change | ~~ | pH_change | | 0.01 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 62.03 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | pH | DEA | ~~ | DEA | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.48 | 0.09 | 5.18 | 0.000 |
| North-East | DEA | pH | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | DEA | pH | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | DEA | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.08 | -0.13 | 0.897 | -0.01 | 0.09 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| North-East | DEA | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.03 | 0.08 | 0.40 | 0.688 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.40 | 0.688 |
| North-East | DEA | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.06 | 0.12 | 0.48 | 0.634 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.48 | 0.634 |
| North-East | DEA | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.24 | 0.18 | 1.31 | 0.192 | 0.16 | 0.12 | 1.31 | 0.190 |
| North-East | DEA | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.05 | 0.12 | 0.44 | 0.660 | 0.00 | 0.13 | -0.01 | 0.994 |
| North-East | DEA | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.23 | 0.18 | 1.31 | 0.192 | 0.13 | 0.12 | 1.10 | 0.272 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.32 | 0.747 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.32 | 0.747 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.30 | 0.17 | -1.77 | 0.077 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.82 | 0.068 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | Phosphatase | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.19 | 0.08 | -2.31 | 0.021 | -0.28 | 0.12 | -2.39 | 0.017 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | Phosphatase | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.04 | 0.08 | 0.47 | 0.640 | 0.06 | 0.13 | 0.47 | 0.640 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.12 | 0.07 | 1.80 | 0.072 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.83 | 0.067 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.38 | 0.11 | 3.36 | 0.001 | 0.47 | 0.13 | 3.63 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.51 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 14.57 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | Phosphatase | ~~ | Phosphatase | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.75 | 0.10 | 7.25 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.02 | -0.32 | 0.749 | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.32 | 0.749 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.45 | 0.651 | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.45 | 0.651 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.11 | 0.07 | 1.64 | 0.102 | 0.23 | 0.14 | 1.66 | 0.097 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.37 | 0.11 | 3.33 | 0.001 | 0.45 | 0.13 | 3.60 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.11 | 0.07 | 1.54 | 0.123 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.26 | 0.796 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.37 | 0.11 | 3.33 | 0.001 | 0.35 | 0.12 | 2.94 | 0.003 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.16 | 0.09 | 1.72 | 0.086 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.77 | 0.077 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.15 | 0.15 | -1.01 | 0.311 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -1.02 | 0.306 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | Phosphatase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | -0.13 | 0.10 | -1.39 | 0.166 | -0.18 | 0.13 | -1.40 | 0.161 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | Phosphatase | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.09 | 0.10 | -0.94 | 0.349 | -0.12 | 0.13 | -0.94 | 0.346 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.11 | 0.07 | 1.58 | 0.114 | 0.23 | 0.14 | 1.61 | 0.108 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.34 | 0.12 | 2.87 | 0.004 | 0.41 | 0.13 | 3.06 | 0.002 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.99 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 24.93 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | Phosphatase | ~~ | Phosphatase | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.81 | 0.10 | 8.19 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.02 | 0.02 | -1.08 | 0.281 | -0.04 | 0.04 | -1.09 | 0.278 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.69 | 0.492 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.69 | 0.489 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.09 | 0.07 | 1.30 | 0.195 | 0.19 | 0.14 | 1.31 | 0.191 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.35 | 0.12 | 2.99 | 0.003 | 0.42 | 0.13 | 3.22 | 0.001 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.08 | 0.07 | 1.21 | 0.228 | 0.00 | 0.14 | 0.02 | 0.986 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.35 | 0.12 | 2.99 | 0.003 | 0.35 | 0.12 | 2.80 | 0.005 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.12 | 1.61 | 0.109 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.100 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.20 | 0.19 | 0.850 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.19 | 0.850 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Phosphatase | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.02 | 0.09 | 0.22 | 0.824 | 0.03 | 0.14 | 0.22 | 0.824 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.09 | 0.07 | 1.30 | 0.194 | 0.20 | 0.15 | 1.32 | 0.188 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.32 | 0.12 | 2.64 | 0.008 | 0.39 | 0.14 | 2.81 | 0.005 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.84 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | Phosphatase | ~~ | Phosphatase | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.87 | 0.09 | 9.82 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.22 | 0.826 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.22 | 0.826 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.886 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.886 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.10 | 0.07 | 1.38 | 0.167 | 0.21 | 0.15 | 1.40 | 0.161 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.32 | 0.12 | 2.65 | 0.008 | 0.39 | 0.14 | 2.82 | 0.005 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.09 | 0.07 | 1.31 | 0.192 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.25 | 0.801 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.32 | 0.12 | 2.64 | 0.008 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.34 | 0.019 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| North-East | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.87 | 0.062 | 0.29 | 0.15 | 1.93 | 0.054 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.22 | 0.20 | 1.11 | 0.265 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 1.13 | 0.260 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Phosphatase | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.01 | 0.09 | 0.09 | 0.926 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.09 | 0.926 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.10 | 0.07 | 1.31 | 0.189 | 0.20 | 0.15 | 1.33 | 0.184 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.32 | 0.12 | 2.60 | 0.009 | 0.39 | 0.14 | 2.76 | 0.006 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.39 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Lignin_content | Phosphatase | ~ | Phosphatase | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.87 | 0.09 | 9.85 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.09 | 0.926 | 0.00 | 0.04 | 0.09 | 0.926 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.09 | 0.927 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.09 | 0.927 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.10 | 0.07 | 1.38 | 0.167 | 0.21 | 0.15 | 1.40 | 0.161 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.32 | 0.12 | 2.65 | 0.008 | 0.39 | 0.14 | 2.82 | 0.005 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.09 | 0.07 | 1.31 | 0.192 | 0.04 | 0.14 | 0.25 | 0.801 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.32 | 0.12 | 2.64 | 0.008 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.34 | 0.019 |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.02 | 0.16 | -0.13 | 0.897 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.40 | 0.686 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.40 | 0.686 |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | Phosphatase | ~ | pH_historic | c | -0.11 | 0.05 | -2.00 | 0.046 | -0.25 | 0.12 | -2.05 | 0.041 |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | Phosphatase | ~ | pH_change | d | -0.38 | 0.14 | -2.61 | 0.009 | -0.32 | 0.12 | -2.73 | 0.006 |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.07 | 0.07 | 1.01 | 0.315 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 1.01 | 0.312 |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | Phosphatase | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.28 | 0.11 | 2.52 | 0.012 | 0.34 | 0.13 | 2.62 | 0.009 |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.10 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 193.05 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.01 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 62.03 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | Phosphatase | ~ | Phosphatase | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.75 | 0.10 | 7.29 | 0.000 |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.897 | 0.00 | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.897 |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.02 | 0.04 | -0.40 | 0.690 | -0.02 | 0.05 | -0.40 | 0.691 |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.07 | 0.07 | 1.01 | 0.314 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 1.01 | 0.312 |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.27 | 0.12 | 2.27 | 0.023 | 0.33 | 0.14 | 2.36 | 0.018 |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.94 | 0.349 | 0.00 | 0.14 | 0.01 | 0.993 |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.27 | 0.12 | 2.27 | 0.023 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 2.06 | 0.040 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.32 | 0.747 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.32 | 0.747 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.30 | 0.17 | -1.77 | 0.077 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.82 | 0.068 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | bactotal | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | 0.23 | 0.12 | 2.01 | 0.045 | 0.26 | 0.13 | 2.07 | 0.038 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | bactotal | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.16 | 0.12 | 1.32 | 0.186 | 0.18 | 0.13 | 1.34 | 0.181 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | bactotal | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.00 | 0.09 | 0.03 | 0.975 | 0.01 | 0.15 | 0.03 | 0.975 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | bactotal | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.25 | 0.16 | 1.56 | 0.120 | 0.23 | 0.15 | 1.58 | 0.113 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.51 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 14.57 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | bactotal | ~ | bactotal | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.87 | 0.09 | 9.84 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.32 | 0.750 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.32 | 0.750 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.05 | 0.05 | -1.06 | 0.290 | -0.04 | 0.04 | -1.07 | 0.287 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.11 | 0.912 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 0.11 | 0.912 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.21 | 0.16 | 1.28 | 0.201 | 0.19 | 0.15 | 1.30 | 0.195 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.07 | 0.947 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.47 | 0.641 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.21 | 0.16 | 1.28 | 0.200 | 0.18 | 0.13 | 1.37 | 0.171 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.16 | 0.09 | 1.72 | 0.086 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.77 | 0.077 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.15 | 0.15 | -1.01 | 0.311 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -1.02 | 0.306 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | bactotal | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.46 | 0.12 | 3.75 | 0.000 | 0.45 | 0.11 | 4.10 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | bactotal | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.36 | 0.13 | 2.79 | 0.005 | 0.33 | 0.11 | 2.90 | 0.004 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | bactotal | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.02 | 0.09 | -0.22 | 0.827 | -0.03 | 0.13 | -0.22 | 0.827 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | bactotal | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.21 | 0.15 | 1.38 | 0.169 | 0.18 | 0.13 | 1.39 | 0.166 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.99 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 24.94 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | bactotal | ~ | bactotal | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.69 | 0.11 | 6.56 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.07 | 0.05 | 1.56 | 0.119 | 0.11 | 0.07 | 1.58 | 0.115 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.05 | 0.06 | -0.95 | 0.341 | -0.05 | 0.05 | -0.95 | 0.341 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.54 | 0.590 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.54 | 0.590 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.15 | 0.16 | 0.97 | 0.333 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.97 | 0.331 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.51 | 0.609 | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.15 | 0.882 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.15 | 0.16 | 0.97 | 0.334 | 0.10 | 0.13 | 0.78 | 0.437 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| North-East | bacteria | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.12 | 1.61 | 0.109 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.100 |
| North-East | bacteria | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.20 | 0.19 | 0.850 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.19 | 0.850 |
| North-East | bacteria | Plant_biomass | bactotal | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.19 | 0.11 | 1.65 | 0.099 | 0.23 | 0.14 | 1.69 | 0.092 |
| North-East | bacteria | Plant_biomass | bactotal | ~ | LUI_historic | e | -0.01 | 0.10 | -0.14 | 0.888 | -0.02 | 0.15 | -0.14 | 0.888 |
| North-East | bacteria | Plant_biomass | bactotal | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.26 | 0.16 | 1.61 | 0.108 | 0.24 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.100 |
| North-East | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.84 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | Plant_biomass | bactotal | ~ | bactotal | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.90 | 0.08 | 10.81 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | : | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.04 | 0.03 | 1.15 | 0.250 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 1.16 | 0.245 |
| North-East | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | : | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.19 | 0.851 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.19 | 0.851 |
| North-East | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | : | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.02 | 0.10 | 0.23 | 0.820 | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.23 | 0.820 |
| North-East | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | : | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.27 | 0.17 | 1.61 | 0.107 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.099 |
| North-East | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | : | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.02 | 0.10 | 0.17 | 0.863 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.50 | 0.614 |
| North-East | bacteria | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | : | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.27 | 0.16 | 1.62 | 0.106 | 0.23 | 0.14 | 1.72 | 0.085 |
| North-East | bacteria | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.87 | 0.062 | 0.29 | 0.15 | 1.93 | 0.054 |
| North-East | bacteria | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.22 | 0.20 | 1.11 | 0.265 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 1.13 | 0.260 |
| North-East | bacteria | Lignin_content | bactotal | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.00 | 0.12 | -0.04 | 0.970 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.04 | 0.970 |
| North-East | bacteria | Lignin_content | bactotal | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.02 | 0.10 | 0.23 | 0.818 | 0.04 | 0.16 | 0.23 | 0.818 |
| North-East | bacteria | Lignin_content | bactotal | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.27 | 0.17 | 1.60 | 0.111 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.64 | 0.102 |
| North-East | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.39 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | Lignin_content | bactotal | ~ | bactotal | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.95 | 0.06 | 14.90 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | : | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.03 | -0.04 | 0.970 | 0.00 | 0.04 | -0.04 | 0.970 |
| North-East | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | : | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.03 | -0.04 | 0.970 | 0.00 | 0.03 | -0.04 | 0.970 |
| North-East | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | : | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.02 | 0.10 | 0.23 | 0.820 | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.23 | 0.820 |
| North-East | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | : | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.27 | 0.17 | 1.61 | 0.107 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.099 |
| North-East | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | : | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.02 | 0.10 | 0.17 | 0.863 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.50 | 0.614 |
| North-East | bacteria | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | : | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.27 | 0.16 | 1.62 | 0.106 | 0.23 | 0.14 | 1.72 | 0.085 |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.02 | 0.16 | -0.13 | 0.897 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.40 | 0.686 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.40 | 0.686 |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | bactotal | ~ | pH_historic | c | 0.01 | 0.08 | 0.08 | 0.938 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.08 | 0.938 |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | bactotal | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.09 | 0.21 | 0.42 | 0.678 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.42 | 0.678 |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | bactotal | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.03 | 0.10 | 0.29 | 0.774 | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.29 | 0.774 |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | bactotal | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.27 | 0.16 | 1.65 | 0.099 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.69 | 0.090 |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.10 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 193.05 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.01 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 62.03 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | bactotal | ~ | bactotal | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 14.39 | 0.000 |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | LUI_hist_in | : | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.00 | -0.07 | 0.947 | 0.00 | 0.00 | -0.07 | 0.947 |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | LUI_change_in | : | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.29 | 0.772 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.29 | 0.772 |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | LUI_hist_te | : | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.03 | 0.10 | 0.29 | 0.775 | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.29 | 0.775 |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | LUI_change_te | : | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.27 | 0.16 | 1.67 | 0.095 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.72 | 0.086 |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | LUI_hist_tc | : | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.02 | 0.10 | 0.23 | 0.818 | -0.07 | 0.14 | -0.47 | 0.638 |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | LUI_change_tc | : | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.27 | 0.16 | 1.68 | 0.094 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.76 | 0.078 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.32 | 0.747 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.32 | 0.747 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.30 | 0.17 | -1.77 | 0.077 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.82 | 0.068 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | fungi_bac | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.24 | 0.11 | -2.31 | 0.021 | -0.29 | 0.12 | -2.40 | 0.016 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | fungi_bac | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | -0.26 | 0.11 | -2.41 | 0.016 | -0.31 | 0.12 | -2.52 | 0.012 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.06 | 0.09 | 0.69 | 0.487 | 0.10 | 0.14 | 0.70 | 0.486 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.86 | 0.390 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.86 | 0.388 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.51 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 14.57 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | fungi_bac | ~ | fungi_bac | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.79 | 0.10 | 7.95 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | : | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.32 | 0.749 | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.32 | 0.749 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | : | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.08 | 0.06 | 1.43 | 0.154 | 0.08 | 0.05 | 1.46 | 0.145 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | : | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.05 | 0.09 | 0.58 | 0.565 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.58 | 0.564 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | : | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.21 | 0.15 | 1.36 | 0.173 | 0.20 | 0.14 | 1.38 | 0.167 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | : | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.05 | 0.09 | 0.53 | 0.593 | 0.00 | 0.14 | -0.01 | 0.989 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | : | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.21 | 0.15 | 1.36 | 0.173 | 0.16 | 0.13 | 1.22 | 0.221 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|----------------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.16 | 0.09 | 1.72 | 0.086 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.77 | 0.077 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.15 | 0.15 | -1.01 | 0.311 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -1.02 | 0.306 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | fungi_bac | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | -0.19 | 0.12 | -1.56 | 0.120 | -0.22 | 0.14 | -1.59 | 0.112 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | fungi_bac | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | -0.02 | 0.13 | -0.17 | 0.869 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.17 | 0.869 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.09 | 0.09 | 0.95 | 0.343 | 0.15 | 0.15 | 0.96 | 0.339 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.21 | 0.15 | 1.39 | 0.166 | 0.21 | 0.15 | 1.41 | 0.159 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.99 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 24.94 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | fungi_bac | ~ | fungi_bac | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.92 | 0.07 | 12.48 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.03 | 0.03 | -1.15 | 0.249 | -0.05 | 0.04 | -1.17 | 0.244 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.16 | 0.871 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.16 | 0.871 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.06 | 0.09 | 0.62 | 0.537 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.62 | 0.535 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.21 | 0.15 | 1.42 | 0.156 | 0.21 | 0.15 | 1.44 | 0.149 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.05 | 0.09 | 0.58 | 0.564 | 0.00 | 0.14 | 0.02 | 0.984 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.21 | 0.15 | 1.42 | 0.156 | 0.17 | 0.14 | 1.28 | 0.201 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.12 | 1.61 | 0.109 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.100 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.20 | 0.19 | 0.850 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.19 | 0.850 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | fungi_bac | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | -0.08 | 0.10 | -0.81 | 0.415 | -0.12 | 0.14 | -0.82 | 0.412 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.06 | 0.09 | 0.70 | 0.486 | 0.11 | 0.16 | 0.70 | 0.484 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.17 | 0.14 | 1.17 | 0.241 | 0.18 | 0.15 | 1.19 | 0.234 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.84 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | fungi_bac | ~ | fungi_bac | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.96 | 0.05 | 17.71 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | -0.02 | 0.02 | -0.73 | 0.468 | -0.03 | 0.04 | -0.73 | 0.466 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.18 | 0.854 | 0.00 | 0.02 | -0.18 | 0.854 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.05 | 0.09 | 0.53 | 0.600 | 0.08 | 0.16 | 0.53 | 0.599 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.17 | 0.14 | 1.14 | 0.252 | 0.18 | 0.15 | 1.16 | 0.246 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.04 | 0.08 | 0.49 | 0.623 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.04 | 0.972 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.14 | 0.253 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 1.03 | 0.305 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.87 | 0.062 | 0.29 | 0.15 | 1.93 | 0.054 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.22 | 0.20 | 1.11 | 0.265 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 1.13 | 0.260 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | fungi_bac | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.11 | 0.10 | 1.08 | 0.279 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.10 | 0.274 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.02 | 0.09 | 0.24 | 0.814 | 0.04 | 0.16 | 0.24 | 0.814 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.14 | 0.15 | 0.97 | 0.330 | 0.15 | 0.16 | 0.98 | 0.326 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.39 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | fungi_bac | ~ | fungi_bac | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.95 | 0.06 | 15.84 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.94 | 0.349 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.95 | 0.345 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.78 | 0.437 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.78 | 0.434 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.05 | 0.09 | 0.53 | 0.600 | 0.08 | 0.16 | 0.53 | 0.599 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.17 | 0.14 | 1.14 | 0.252 | 0.18 | 0.15 | 1.16 | 0.246 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.04 | 0.08 | 0.49 | 0.623 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.04 | 0.972 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.16 | 0.14 | 1.14 | 0.253 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 1.03 | 0.305 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.02 | 0.16 | -0.13 | 0.897 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.40 | 0.686 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.40 | 0.686 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | fungi_bac | ~ | pH_historic | c | -0.08 | 0.07 | -1.05 | 0.295 | -0.14 | 0.13 | -1.06 | 0.291 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | fungi_bac | ~ | pH_change | d | -0.35 | 0.19 | -1.86 | 0.064 | -0.25 | 0.13 | -1.91 | 0.056 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.02 | 0.09 | 0.18 | 0.859 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.18 | 0.859 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | fungi_bac | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.12 | 0.15 | 0.82 | 0.415 | 0.12 | 0.15 | 0.82 | 0.412 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | pH_historic | ~ | pH_historic | | 0.10 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 193.05 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | pH_change | ~ | pH_change | | 0.01 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 62.03 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | fungi_bac | ~ | fungi_bac | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.898 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.898 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.39 | 0.693 | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.39 | 0.693 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.02 | 0.09 | 0.19 | 0.846 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.19 | 0.846 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.11 | 0.15 | 0.70 | 0.483 | 0.11 | 0.15 | 0.71 | 0.481 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.02 | 0.09 | 0.17 | 0.864 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.901 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.11 | 0.15 | 0.70 | 0.482 | 0.10 | 0.14 | 0.68 | 0.494 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| North-East | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.32 | 0.747 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.32 | 0.747 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.30 | 0.17 | -1.77 | 0.077 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.82 | 0.068 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | fungi | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.03 | 0.11 | -0.25 | 0.804 | -0.03 | 0.13 | -0.25 | 0.804 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | fungi | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | -0.08 | 0.11 | -0.72 | 0.471 | -0.10 | 0.14 | -0.72 | 0.469 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | fungi | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.07 | 0.09 | 0.85 | 0.396 | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.85 | 0.393 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | fungi | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.30 | 0.15 | 2.03 | 0.042 | 0.31 | 0.15 | 2.11 | 0.035 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.51 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 14.57 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | fungi | ~ | fungi | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.90 | 0.08 | 11.12 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.00 | -0.20 | 0.844 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.20 | 0.844 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.67 | 0.504 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.67 | 0.502 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.07 | 0.09 | 0.84 | 0.401 | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.84 | 0.398 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.33 | 0.15 | 2.23 | 0.025 | 0.33 | 0.14 | 2.34 | 0.019 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.07 | 0.09 | 0.77 | 0.441 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.894 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.33 | 0.15 | 2.24 | 0.025 | 0.28 | 0.13 | 2.15 | 0.032 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.16 | 0.09 | 1.72 | 0.086 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.77 | 0.077 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.15 | 0.15 | -1.01 | 0.311 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -1.02 | 0.306 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | fungi | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.36 | 0.11 | 3.25 | 0.001 | 0.39 | 0.11 | 3.46 | 0.001 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | fungi | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.35 | 0.12 | 2.98 | 0.003 | 0.35 | 0.11 | 3.12 | 0.002 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | fungi | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.05 | 0.08 | 0.64 | 0.522 | 0.09 | 0.13 | 0.64 | 0.521 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | fungi | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.30 | 0.14 | 2.14 | 0.032 | 0.28 | 0.13 | 2.19 | 0.029 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.99 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 24.94 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | fungi | ~ | fungi | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.68 | 0.10 | 6.58 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.06 | 0.04 | 1.52 | 0.129 | 0.09 | 0.06 | 1.54 | 0.123 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.05 | 0.06 | -0.96 | 0.338 | -0.05 | 0.05 | -0.96 | 0.339 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.11 | 0.09 | 1.26 | 0.207 | 0.18 | 0.14 | 1.27 | 0.203 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.24 | 0.15 | 1.66 | 0.097 | 0.23 | 0.14 | 1.69 | 0.091 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.11 | 0.09 | 1.22 | 0.223 | 0.08 | 0.13 | 0.59 | 0.559 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.24 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.098 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 1.19 | 0.236 |
| North-East | fungi | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.12 | 1.61 | 0.109 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.100 |
| North-East | fungi | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.20 | 0.19 | 0.850 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.19 | 0.850 |
| North-East | fungi | Plant_biomass | fungi | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.08 | 0.10 | 0.74 | 0.460 | 0.10 | 0.14 | 0.74 | 0.458 |
| North-East | fungi | Plant_biomass | fungi | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.06 | 0.09 | 0.66 | 0.510 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.66 | 0.509 |
| North-East | fungi | Plant_biomass | fungi | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.32 | 0.15 | 2.19 | 0.028 | 0.33 | 0.14 | 2.29 | 0.022 |
| North-East | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.84 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi | Plant_biomass | fungi | ~ | fungi | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.90 | 0.08 | 11.06 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.67 | 0.502 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.67 | 0.501 |
| North-East | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.18 | 0.855 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.18 | 0.855 |
| North-East | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.07 | 0.09 | 0.84 | 0.401 | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.85 | 0.398 |
| North-East | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.33 | 0.15 | 2.20 | 0.028 | 0.33 | 0.14 | 2.30 | 0.021 |
| North-East | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.07 | 0.09 | 0.77 | 0.440 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.11 | 0.910 |
| North-East | fungi | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.32 | 0.15 | 2.20 | 0.028 | 0.28 | 0.13 | 2.10 | 0.035 |
| North-East | fungi | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.87 | 0.062 | 0.29 | 0.15 | 1.93 | 0.054 |
| North-East | fungi | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.22 | 0.20 | 1.11 | 0.265 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 1.13 | 0.260 |
| North-East | fungi | Lignin_content | fungi | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.05 | 0.11 | 0.52 | 0.604 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 0.52 | 0.603 |
| North-East | fungi | Lignin_content | fungi | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.06 | 0.09 | 0.68 | 0.496 | 0.11 | 0.16 | 0.68 | 0.494 |
| North-East | fungi | Lignin_content | fungi | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.31 | 0.15 | 2.10 | 0.036 | 0.32 | 0.15 | 2.19 | 0.029 |
| North-East | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.39 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi | Lignin_content | fungi | ~ | fungi | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 11.35 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~ | Lignin_content | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.50 | 0.617 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.50 | 0.617 |
| North-East | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.47 | 0.638 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.47 | 0.637 |
| North-East | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.07 | 0.09 | 0.84 | 0.401 | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.85 | 0.398 |
| North-East | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.33 | 0.15 | 2.20 | 0.028 | 0.33 | 0.14 | 2.30 | 0.021 |
| North-East | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.07 | 0.09 | 0.77 | 0.440 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.11 | 0.910 |
| North-East | fungi | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.32 | 0.15 | 2.20 | 0.028 | 0.28 | 0.13 | 2.10 | 0.035 |

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| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|---------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| North-East | fungi | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.02 | 0.16 | -0.13 | 0.897 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| North-East | fungi | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.40 | 0.686 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.40 | 0.686 |
| North-East | fungi | pH | fungi | ~ | pH_historic | c | -0.08 | 0.07 | -1.07 | 0.287 | -0.14 | 0.13 | -1.08 | 0.282 |
| North-East | fungi | pH | fungi | ~ | pH_change | d | -0.01 | 0.19 | -0.06 | 0.956 | -0.01 | 0.14 | -0.06 | 0.956 |
| North-East | fungi | pH | fungi | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.06 | 0.09 | 0.75 | 0.454 | 0.11 | 0.15 | 0.75 | 0.452 |
| North-East | fungi | pH | fungi | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.30 | 0.15 | 2.04 | 0.042 | 0.30 | 0.14 | 2.12 | 0.034 |
| North-East | fungi | pH | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi | pH | pH_historic | ~~ | pH_historic | | 0.10 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 193.05 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi | pH | pH_change | ~~ | pH_change | | 0.01 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 62.03 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi | pH | fungi | ~~ | fungi | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.90 | 0.08 | 11.51 | 0.000 |
| North-East | fungi | pH | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi | pH | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | fungi | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.898 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.898 |
| North-East | fungi | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.06 | 0.956 | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.06 | 0.956 |
| North-East | fungi | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.07 | 0.09 | 0.76 | 0.447 | 0.11 | 0.15 | 0.76 | 0.445 |
| North-East | fungi | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.30 | 0.15 | 2.04 | 0.042 | 0.30 | 0.14 | 2.12 | 0.034 |
| North-East | fungi | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.06 | 0.09 | 0.70 | 0.485 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.12 | 0.907 |
| North-East | fungi | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.29 | 0.14 | 2.04 | 0.042 | 0.25 | 0.13 | 1.94 | 0.053 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.32 | 0.747 | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.32 | 0.747 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.30 | 0.17 | -1.77 | 0.077 | -0.24 | 0.13 | -1.82 | 0.068 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | Ergosterol | ~ | CWM_leafP_historic | c | -0.12 | 0.09 | -1.33 | 0.183 | -0.17 | 0.13 | -1.35 | 0.178 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | Ergosterol | ~ | CWM_leafP_change | d | 0.04 | 0.09 | 0.43 | 0.664 | 0.06 | 0.13 | 0.44 | 0.664 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.87 | 0.383 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.88 | 0.380 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.36 | 0.13 | 2.91 | 0.004 | 0.43 | 0.14 | 3.13 | 0.002 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_historic | ~~ | CWM_leafP_historic | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 77.51 | 0.000 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | CWM_leafP_change | ~~ | CWM_leafP_change | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.07 | 14.57 | 0.000 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | Ergosterol | ~~ | Ergosterol | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.83 | 0.10 | 8.59 | 0.000 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.01 | -0.31 | 0.754 | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.31 | 0.753 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.42 | 0.673 | -0.01 | 0.03 | -0.42 | 0.673 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.81 | 0.419 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.81 | 0.417 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.35 | 0.12 | 2.88 | 0.004 | 0.41 | 0.13 | 3.09 | 0.002 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.05 | 0.07 | 0.72 | 0.474 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.43 | 0.667 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_leaf_P | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.35 | 0.12 | 2.89 | 0.004 | 0.36 | 0.12 | 2.97 | 0.003 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.16 | 0.09 | 1.72 | 0.086 | 0.24 | 0.13 | 1.77 | 0.077 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | -0.15 | 0.15 | -1.01 | 0.311 | -0.14 | 0.14 | -1.02 | 0.306 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | Ergosterol | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | c | 0.11 | 0.10 | 1.04 | 0.301 | 0.14 | 0.13 | 1.04 | 0.297 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | Ergosterol | ~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | d | 0.13 | 0.11 | 1.19 | 0.236 | 0.16 | 0.13 | 1.20 | 0.231 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.05 | 0.08 | 0.65 | 0.514 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.66 | 0.513 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.32 | 0.13 | 2.55 | 0.011 | 0.37 | 0.14 | 2.70 | 0.007 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_historic | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_historic | | 0.04 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.99 | 0.000 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | CWM_Myclnt_change | ~~ | CWM_Myclnt_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.98 | 0.04 | 24.93 | 0.000 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | Ergosterol | ~~ | Ergosterol | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.86 | 0.09 | 9.43 | 0.000 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.89 | 0.376 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.89 | 0.373 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.77 | 0.441 | -0.02 | 0.03 | -0.77 | 0.441 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0.89 | 0.375 | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.89 | 0.372 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.39 | 0.017 | 0.35 | 0.14 | 2.52 | 0.012 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.81 | 0.416 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.15 | 0.879 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM_Myclnt | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.30 | 0.12 | 2.39 | 0.017 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.30 | 0.021 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.19 | 0.12 | 1.61 | 0.109 | 0.25 | 0.15 | 1.65 | 0.100 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.20 | 0.19 | 0.850 | 0.03 | 0.15 | 0.19 | 0.850 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Ergosterol | ~ | Plant_biomass | c | 0.22 | 0.08 | 2.67 | 0.008 | 0.34 | 0.12 | 2.81 | 0.005 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.01 | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.919 | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.10 | 0.919 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.31 | 0.12 | 2.65 | 0.008 | 0.37 | 0.13 | 2.79 | 0.005 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Plant_biomass | ~~ | Plant_biomass | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.94 | 0.06 | 14.84 | 0.000 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | Ergosterol | ~~ | Ergosterol | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.77 | 0.11 | 7.26 | 0.000 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.04 | 0.03 | 1.38 | 0.169 | 0.09 | 0.06 | 1.40 | 0.162 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.19 | 0.851 | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.19 | 0.850 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.05 | 0.07 | 0.67 | 0.503 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.67 | 0.501 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.32 | 0.13 | 2.55 | 0.011 | 0.38 | 0.14 | 2.71 | 0.007 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.04 | 0.07 | 0.59 | 0.557 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.45 | 0.656 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Plant_biomass | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.32 | 0.13 | 2.55 | 0.011 | 0.34 | 0.13 | 2.65 | 0.008 |

Table S6.2 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | lhs | op | rhs | label | est | se | z | P | est.std | se.std | z.std | P.std |
|------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|----|-----------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| North-East | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_historic | a | 0.22 | 0.12 | 1.87 | 0.062 | 0.29 | 0.15 | 1.93 | 0.054 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.22 | 0.20 | 1.11 | 0.265 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 1.13 | 0.260 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Ergosterol | ~ | Lignin_content | c | 0.12 | 0.09 | 1.34 | 0.181 | 0.18 | 0.13 | 1.36 | 0.175 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.02 | 0.08 | 0.32 | 0.753 | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.32 | 0.752 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.30 | 0.13 | 2.35 | 0.019 | 0.35 | 0.14 | 2.47 | 0.014 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.77 | 0.006 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.70 | 0.000 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Lignin_content | ~~ | Lignin_content | | 0.05 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.93 | 0.07 | 13.39 | 0.000 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Lignin_content | Ergosterol | ~~ | Ergosterol | | 0.02 | 0.00 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 0.85 | 0.09 | 8.99 | 0.000 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 4.95 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.03 | 0.02 | 1.09 | 0.277 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 1.10 | 0.273 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_change_in | := | b*c | LUI_change_in | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.86 | 0.392 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.87 | 0.386 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.05 | 0.07 | 0.67 | 0.503 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.67 | 0.501 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*c) | LUI_change_te | 0.32 | 0.13 | 2.55 | 0.011 | 0.38 | 0.14 | 2.71 | 0.007 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*c) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.04 | 0.07 | 0.59 | 0.557 | -0.06 | 0.14 | -0.45 | 0.656 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Lignin_content | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*c)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.32 | 0.13 | 2.55 | 0.011 | 0.34 | 0.13 | 2.65 | 0.008 |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | pH_historic | ~ | LUI_historic | a | -0.02 | 0.16 | -0.13 | 0.897 | -0.02 | 0.14 | -0.13 | 0.897 |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | pH_change | ~ | LUI_change | b | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.40 | 0.686 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.40 | 0.686 |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | Ergosterol | ~ | pH_historic | c | -0.12 | 0.05 | -2.26 | 0.024 | -0.27 | 0.12 | -2.32 | 0.020 |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | Ergosterol | ~ | pH_change | d | 0.38 | 0.14 | 2.72 | 0.007 | 0.33 | 0.12 | 2.84 | 0.005 |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_historic | e | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.89 | 0.375 | 0.12 | 0.13 | 0.89 | 0.373 |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | Ergosterol | ~ | LUI_change | f | 0.28 | 0.11 | 2.56 | 0.010 | 0.34 | 0.13 | 2.66 | 0.008 |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_change | g | -0.02 | 0.01 | -2.80 | 0.005 | -0.43 | 0.12 | -3.74 | 0.000 |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | pH_historic | ~~ | pH_historic | | 0.10 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.01 | 193.05 | 0.000 |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | pH_change | ~~ | pH_change | | 0.01 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 62.03 | 0.000 |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | Ergosterol | ~~ | Ergosterol | | 0.01 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 0.72 | 0.11 | 6.83 | 0.000 |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | LUI_historic | ~~ | LUI_historic | | 0.08 | 0.02 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | LUI_change | ~~ | LUI_change | | 0.03 | 0.01 | 5.00 | 0.000 | 1.00 | 0.00 | NA | NA |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | LUI_hist_in | := | a*c | LUI_hist_in | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.13 | 0.897 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.897 |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | LUI_change_in | := | b*d | LUI_change_in | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.40 | 0.690 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.40 | 0.688 |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | LUI_hist_te | := | e+(a*c) | LUI_hist_te | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.89 | 0.374 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.89 | 0.373 |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | LUI_change_te | := | f+(b*d) | LUI_change_te | 0.29 | 0.11 | 2.56 | 0.011 | 0.36 | 0.13 | 2.68 | 0.007 |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | LUI_hist_tc | := | e+(a*c)+(g*f)+(g*b*d) | LUI_hist_tc | 0.05 | 0.07 | 0.81 | 0.420 | -0.03 | 0.14 | -0.24 | 0.814 |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | LUI_change_tc | := | f+(b*d)+(g*e)+(g*a*c) | LUI_change_tc | 0.29 | 0.11 | 2.56 | 0.011 | 0.31 | 0.12 | 2.46 | 0.014 |

Table S6.3: R² values of SEMs in Schwäbische Alb (South-West), Hainich-Dün (Central) and Schorfheide-Chorin (North-East). Given are the R² values for endogenous variables, i.e. the historic (mediator_h) and the change (mediator_Δ) of a mediator variable and the soil microbial response variable (MO variable).

| Region | MO variable | mediator | R ² mediator _h | R ² mediator _Δ | R ² MO variable |
|------------|------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| South-West | Cmic | CWM leaf P | 0.52 | 0.01 | 0.12 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM MycInt | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.15 |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant biomass | NA | 0.03 | 0.21 |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.07 |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.14 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM leaf P | 0.52 | 0.01 | 0.12 |
| South-West | Cmic | CWM MycInt | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.15 |
| South-West | Cmic | Plant biomass | NA | 0.03 | 0.21 |
| South-West | Cmic | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.07 |
| South-West | Cmic | pH | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.14 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM leaf P | 0.52 | 0.01 | 0.14 |
| South-West | Nmic | CWM MycInt | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.17 |
| South-West | Nmic | Plant biomass | NA | 0.03 | 0.21 |
| South-West | Nmic | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.08 |
| South-West | Nmic | pH | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.17 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM leaf P | 0.52 | 0.01 | 0.06 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM MycInt | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.08 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant biomass | NA | 0.03 | 0.09 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.04 |
| South-West | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.12 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM leaf P | 0.55 | 0.03 | 0.24 |
| South-West | Pmic | CWM MycInt | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.25 |
| South-West | Pmic | Plant biomass | NA | 0.07 | 0.26 |
| South-West | Pmic | Lignin content | NA | 0.04 | 0.21 |
| South-West | Pmic | pH | 0.04 | 0.01 | 0.25 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM leaf P | 0.52 | 0.01 | 0.12 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | CWM MycInt | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.13 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Plant biomass | NA | 0.03 | 0.17 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.12 |
| South-West | beta-glucosidase | pH | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.27 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM leaf P | 0.52 | 0.01 | 0.28 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | CWM MycInt | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.12 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Plant biomass | NA | 0.03 | 0.12 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.11 |
| South-West | beta-xylosidase | pH | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.32 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM leaf P | 0.52 | 0.01 | 0.28 |
| South-West | chitinase | CWM MycInt | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.12 |
| South-West | chitinase | Plant biomass | NA | 0.03 | 0.12 |
| South-West | chitinase | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.11 |
| South-West | chitinase | pH | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.32 |
| South-West | urease | CWM leaf P | 0.52 | 0.01 | 0.18 |
| South-West | urease | CWM MycInt | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.17 |
| South-West | urease | Plant biomass | NA | 0.03 | 0.04 |
| South-West | urease | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.05 |
| South-West | urease | pH | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.04 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM leaf P | 0.52 | 0.01 | 0.35 |
| South-West | DEA | CWM MycInt | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.24 |
| South-West | DEA | Plant biomass | NA | 0.03 | 0.22 |
| South-West | DEA | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.22 |
| South-West | DEA | pH | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.29 |

Table S6.3 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | R ² mediator _h | R ² mediator _Δ | R ² MO variable |
|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM leaf P | 0.52 | 0.01 | 0.06 |
| South-West | phosphatase | CWM MycInt | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.08 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Plant biomass | NA | 0.03 | 0.03 |
| South-West | phosphatase | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.14 |
| South-West | phosphatase | pH | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.63 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM leaf P | 0.52 | 0.01 | 0.06 |
| South-West | bacteria | CWM MycInt | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.08 |
| South-West | bacteria | Plant biomass | NA | 0.03 | 0.03 |
| South-West | bacteria | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.04 |
| South-West | bacteria | pH | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.16 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM leaf P | 0.52 | 0.01 | 0.23 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM MycInt | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.14 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant biomass | NA | 0.03 | 0.11 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.11 |
| South-West | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.19 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM leaf P | 0.52 | 0.01 | 0.12 |
| South-West | fungi | CWM MycInt | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.14 |
| South-West | fungi | Plant biomass | NA | 0.03 | 0.08 |
| South-West | fungi | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.09 |
| South-West | fungi | pH | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.07 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM leaf P | 0.52 | 0.01 | 0.26 |
| South-West | ergosterol | CWM MycInt | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.26 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Plant biomass | NA | 0.03 | 0.18 |
| South-West | ergosterol | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.22 |
| South-West | ergosterol | pH | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.17 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM leaf P | 0.41 | 0.00 | 0.09 |
| Central | Cmic | CWM MycInt | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.13 |
| Central | Cmic | Plant biomass | NA | 0.02 | 0.10 |
| Central | Cmic | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.08 |
| Central | Cmic | pH | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.11 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM leaf P | 0.41 | 0.00 | 0.22 |
| Central | Nmic | CWM MycInt | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.22 |
| Central | Nmic | Plant biomass | NA | 0.02 | 0.21 |
| Central | Nmic | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.22 |
| Central | Nmic | pH | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.21 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM leaf P | 0.41 | 0.00 | 0.11 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM MycInt | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.10 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant biomass | NA | 0.02 | 0.13 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.11 |
| Central | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.34 |

Table S6.3 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | R ² mediator _h | R ² mediator _Δ | R ² MO variable |
|---------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Central | Pmic | CWM leaf P | 0.43 | 0.01 | 0.10 |
| Central | Pmic | CWM MycInt | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.02 |
| Central | Pmic | Plant biomass | NA | 0.02 | 0.04 |
| Central | Pmic | Lignin content | NA | 0.02 | 0.01 |
| Central | Pmic | pH | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.08 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM leaf P | 0.41 | 0.00 | 0.40 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | CWM MycInt | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.15 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Plant biomass | NA | 0.02 | 0.16 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.11 |
| Central | beta-glucosidase | pH | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.10 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM leaf P | 0.35 | 0.00 | 0.24 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | CWM MycInt | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.14 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Plant biomass | NA | 0.01 | 0.19 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.19 |
| Central | beta-xylosidase | pH | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.18 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM leaf P | 0.41 | 0.00 | 0.27 |
| Central | chitinase | CWM MycInt | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.13 |
| Central | chitinase | Plant biomass | NA | 0.02 | 0.16 |
| Central | chitinase | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.20 |
| Central | chitinase | pH | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.14 |
| Central | urease | CWM leaf P | 0.42 | 0.00 | 0.26 |
| Central | urease | CWM MycInt | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.16 |
| Central | urease | Plant biomass | NA | 0.00 | 0.11 |
| Central | urease | Lignin content | NA | 0.02 | 0.25 |
| Central | urease | pH | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.12 |
| Central | DEA | CWM leaf P | 0.41 | 0.00 | 0.10 |
| Central | DEA | CWM MycInt | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.08 |
| Central | DEA | Plant biomass | NA | 0.02 | 0.29 |
| Central | DEA | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.09 |
| Central | DEA | pH | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.10 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM leaf P | 0.41 | 0.00 | 0.16 |
| Central | phosphatase | CWM MycInt | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.11 |
| Central | phosphatase | Plant biomass | NA | 0.02 | 0.15 |
| Central | phosphatase | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.13 |
| Central | phosphatase | pH | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.15 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM leaf P | 0.41 | 0.00 | 0.05 |
| Central | bacteria | CWM MycInt | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.23 |
| Central | bacteria | Plant biomass | NA | 0.02 | 0.21 |
| Central | bacteria | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.06 |
| Central | bacteria | pH | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.11 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM leaf P | 0.41 | 0.00 | 0.29 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM MycInt | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.31 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant biomass | NA | 0.02 | 0.31 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.31 |
| Central | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.31 |

Table S6.3 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | R ² mediator _h | R ² mediator _Δ | R ² MO variable |
|------------|------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Central | fungi | CWM leaf P | 0.41 | 0.00 | 0.14 |
| Central | fungi | CWM MycInt | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.22 |
| Central | fungi | Plant biomass | NA | 0.02 | 0.19 |
| Central | fungi | Lignin content | NA | 0.01 | 0.15 |
| Central | fungi | pH | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.22 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM leaf P | 0.41 | 0.01 | 0.08 |
| Central | ergosterol | CWM MycInt | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.16 |
| Central | ergosterol | Plant biomass | NA | 0.02 | 0.07 |
| Central | ergosterol | Lignin content | NA | 0.02 | 0.14 |
| Central | ergosterol | pH | 0.00 | 0.04 | 0.13 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM leaf P | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.02 |
| North-East | Nmic | CWM MycInt | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.03 |
| North-East | Nmic | Plant biomass | NA | 0.06 | 0.13 |
| North-East | Nmic | Lignin content | NA | 0.07 | 0.01 |
| North-East | Nmic | pH | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.08 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM leaf P | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.13 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | CWM MycInt | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.11 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Plant biomass | NA | 0.06 | 0.15 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | Lignin content | NA | 0.07 | 0.09 |
| North-East | Cmic:Nmic ratio | pH | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.34 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM leaf P | 0.00 | 0.08 | 0.15 |
| North-East | Pmic | CWM MycInt | 0.10 | 0.01 | 0.32 |
| North-East | Pmic | Plant biomass | NA | 0.04 | 0.07 |
| North-East | Pmic | Lignin content | NA | 0.09 | 0.11 |
| North-East | Pmic | pH | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.17 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM leaf P | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.05 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | CWM MycInt | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.08 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Plant biomass | NA | 0.06 | 0.05 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | Lignin content | NA | 0.07 | 0.05 |
| North-East | beta-glucosidase | pH | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.28 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM leaf P | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.06 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | CWM MycInt | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.15 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Plant biomass | NA | 0.06 | 0.06 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | Lignin content | NA | 0.07 | 0.06 |
| North-East | beta-xylosidase | pH | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.22 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM leaf P | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.17 |
| North-East | chitinase | CWM MycInt | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.08 |
| North-East | chitinase | Plant biomass | NA | 0.06 | 0.08 |
| North-East | chitinase | Lignin content | NA | 0.07 | 0.08 |
| North-East | chitinase | pH | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.18 |
| North-East | urease | CWM leaf P | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.04 |
| North-East | urease | CWM MycInt | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.07 |
| North-East | urease | Plant Biomass | NA | 0.06 | 0.02 |
| North-East | urease | Lignin content | NA | 0.07 | 0.02 |
| North-East | urease | pH | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.50 |

Table S6.3 continued

| Region | MO variable | mediator | R ² mediator _h | R ² mediator _Δ | R ² MO variable |
|------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| North-East | DEA | CWM leaf P | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.15 |
| North-East | DEA | CWM MycInt | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.31 |
| North-East | DEA | Plant biomass | NA | 0.06 | 0.01 |
| North-East | DEA | Lignin content | NA | 0.07 | 0.01 |
| North-East | DEA | pH | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.52 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM leaf P | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.25 |
| North-East | phosphatase | CWM MycInt | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.19 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Plant biomass | NA | 0.06 | 0.13 |
| North-East | phosphatase | Lignin content | NA | 0.07 | 0.13 |
| North-East | phosphatase | pH | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.25 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM leaf P | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.13 |
| North-East | bacteria | CWM MycInt | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.31 |
| North-East | bacteria | Plant biomass | NA | 0.06 | 0.11 |
| North-East | bacteria | Lignin content | NA | 0.07 | 0.06 |
| North-East | bacteria | pH | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.06 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM leaf P | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.21 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | CWM MycInt | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.08 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Plant biomass | NA | 0.06 | 0.04 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | Lignin content | NA | 0.07 | 0.05 |
| North-East | fungi:bacteria ratio | pH | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.09 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM leaf P | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.10 |
| North-East | fungi | CWM MycInt | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.32 |
| North-East | fungi | Plant biomass | NA | 0.06 | 0.10 |
| North-East | fungi | Lignin content | NA | 0.07 | 0.10 |
| North-East | fungi | pH | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.10 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM leaf P | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.17 |
| North-East | ergosterol | CWM MycInt | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.14 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Plant biomass | NA | 0.06 | 0.23 |
| North-East | ergosterol | Lignin content | NA | 0.07 | 0.15 |
| North-East | ergosterol | pH | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.28 |