# **Supporting Information**

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#### **SI Materials and Methods**

Maize Germplasm, Microbiome Sample Collection, and Soil Sample Analysis. Twenty-seven diverse maize inbreds, all founder genotypes of the Nested Association Mapping panel, were selected to maximize genetic dissimilarity using previously established genotypic data (1). Seeds for each of the inbreds were obtained from a uniform stand grown at Muskgrave Research Station in Aurora, NY in 2009. In 2010, these lines were hand planted in a randomized complete block design in five field environments located in three states [University of Illinois, Crop Sciences Research and Education Center near Champaign-Urbana, IL (Well-Drained Drummer silty-clay loam soil); University of Missouri, South Farm near Columbia, MO (Well-Drained Mexico silt loam soil); Cornell University, Muskgrave Research Station near Aurora, NY (Well-Drained Honeoye silt loam soil); Cornell University, Ketola Organic Research Farm near Ithaca, NY (Well-Drained Erie Channery silt loam soil); and Willet Dairy near Lansing, NY (Well-Drained Lyons silt loam soil)]. Conventional culture practices were used, including ammonium nitrate-based fertilization, weed, and pest control in all locations except Ketola Research Farm, where an organic management regime was implemented, including manure-based fertilization and no pesticide or chemical weed control. The rhizosphere microbiota of all maize inbred plots, as well as bulk soil samples, were collected at their mean pollen shed, approximately 12 wk after planting. The last significant precipitation event occurring in all field environments was at least 3 d before the date of sample collection.

Within each field environment, plants were carefully removed from the soil using a drain spade. Roots of three random plants were sampled from the middle of each plot composed of between 12 and 25 plants (varying by environment) to avoid border effects potentially attributable to increased nutrient availability in the end plant of a plot. For each plant, a root segment of  $\sim 5$  cm in length and 0.5-3 mm in diameter was collected near the base of the plant, along with any adherent soil particles. All sample collection was performed in well-drained soils. However, no efforts were taken to collect or model data detailing covariation in soil moisture content within each of the microbiome samples. Variation in moisture content was assumed independent of the randomized and replicated plot design for genotypes within an environment. However, differences in soil moisture content, and thus adhesion, were likely a contributing factor to the variation in microbial diversity observed between environments. All rootadherent soil particles were less than 0.01 mm in diameter; most of these particles were also less than 0.002 mm. Bulk soil samples across each of the fields were also taken midrange between maize plots using a soil core sampler of 4-cm diameter and 20-cm depth. All samples were chilled on ice immediately following collection and stored at -80 °C before DNA extraction.

Soil analyses (Table S3) were performed by the Cornell University Nutrient Analysis Laboratory using standard operational procedures for measures of moisture content, extractable phosphorus and nitrate (using the Morgan test method), as well as potassium, calcium, magnesium, iron, manganese, zinc, and aluminum by an inductively coupled plasma atomic emission spectrometer. Buffer pH was measured using the Modified Mehlich buffer test and organic matter was discerned by loss on ignition.

**DNA Extraction and Amplicon Generation.** Total genomic DNA was isolated from the maize root tip and its associated soil ( $\sim$ 0.25 g) using the PowerSoil High-Throughput DNA Isolation Kit (Mo Bio Laboratories). The root and its loosely associated soil were

placed into a 2-mL well of a 96-well plate for bead beating. Samples were homogenized using a bead beater (BioSpec; 2 min on high; note that this procedure gently scoured the root but did not pulverize it). It is noted that this protocol allows for the introduction of a small fraction of endophytic microbial communities scoured from the root epidermis; however, this fraction is reduced compared with the entire rhizosphere microbiome sample. Fifteen samples from Columbia, MO were used for the preliminary primer testing experiments. 16S rRNA genes were amplified using four different primer sets (27F-338R: AGAGTTTGATCCTGGC-TCAG-TGCTGCCTCCCGTAGGAGT; 515F-806R: GTGC-CAGCMGCCGCGGTAA-GGACTACHVGGGTWTCTAAT; 804F-1392R: AGATTAGATACCCDRGTAGTC-ACGGGCG-GTGTGTRC; and 926F-1392R: AAACTYAAAKGAATTGAC-GG-ACGGGCGGTGTGTRC) (2), including barcodes and titanium adapters. For the full study, we used the 515F-806R primer pair. The PCR primers were constructed as follow: forward primer = 454 Titanium Lib-l Primer A/5-base barcode/ forward 16S primer and reverse primer = 454 Titanium Lib-l Primer B/reverse 16S primer. All PCR reactions were carried out in triplicate 50- $\mu$ L reactions with 1× of Easy-A buffer, 1.25 U Easy-A Taq, 0.2 µM of forward and reverse primers, 3.5 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 0.2 mM of dNTPs, and about 50 ng template DNA. Thermal cycling consisted of initial denaturation at 95 °C for 2 min, followed by 30 cycles of denaturation at 95 °C for 30 s, annealing at 53 °C for 20 s, and elongation at 72 °C for 60 s. Negative control samples were treated similarly with the exclusion of template DNA; these negative controls failed to produce visible PCR products. Following PCR, DNA amplicons were purified with Ampure magnetic purification beads (Agencourt) and quantified using the Quant-iT PicoGreen dsDNA Assay Kit (Invitrogen). Amplicons were then combined in equimolar ratios into a single tube with a final concentration of 12.5 ng/ $\mu$ L. Pyrosequencing was performed using Roche Titanium chemistry at the Department of Energy Joint Genome Institute.

Analysis of 16S rRNA Gene Sequence. Sequences were analyzed using the QIIME software package (Quantitative Insights into Microbial Ecology) using default parameters for each step (3). Sequences were removed if their lengths were shorter than 200 nt, their average quality score was <25, and they contained ambiguous bases, primer mismatches, homopolymer runs in excess of six bases or error in barcodes. Filtering of noisy sequences, chimera checking and operational taxonomic unit (OTU) picking was performed using the usearch series of scripts. De novo and reference-based chimera checking was performed and sequences that were characterized as chimeric by both methods were removed. More than 3.8-million quality-filtered reads were obtained for the samples, an average of 8,315 reads per sample (min = 2,225, max = 22,346). Sequences were chimera-checked and clustered into OTUs using Otupipe (4) and a minimum pair-wise identity of 97%. Each cluster was represented by its most abundant sequence. Representative OTUs sequences were then aligned to the Greengenes database (5) using the PyNAST algorithm (minimum percent identity was set at 80%) (6). A phylogenetic tree was built using FastTree (7). Taxonomy was subsequently assigned to each representative OTUs using the Greengenes database classifier with a minimum support threshold of 80% (5, 8).

**Statistical Analyses.** We used custom R scripts executed using R v2.13.2 (9) to calculate the percentage of classifiable reads. The

median proportion of Greengenes classifiable reads obtained from each primer set in the pilot experiment (Table S1) was calculated from 100 bootstrap samples of the surveyed microbiome extractions stratified by maize inbreds and bulk soil to maintain balance among these factors. Bootstrap sampling of microbiome extractions with replacement ensured equal representation of each inbred and bulk soil, and also provided a 95%confidence interval estimating the precision of estimates derived from the data. Given the lack of normality noted in the distributions of many populations tested, we used the function "aovp" from the R package ImPerm v1.1.2 (10) to discern variation in the proportion of classifiable reads between each primer set by permutation testing. Reported variances explained by each factor reflect the proportion of variance explained by that factor after accounting for the remaining factors and are calculated from the marginal sums of squares. The 95% confidence interval for variance explained was derived from the resulting distribution of variance estimates after fitting multiple regression models to each of the 100 bootstrap samplings of the data. A minimum of 5,000 permutations of the data were used to construct null distributions for each of the bootstrap samplings of the raw data in inferring significance. The reported significance values reflect the most conservative estimate obtained from the 100 bootstrap samplings. Significances for all pair-wise comparisons among the primer sets, soil, and maize inbreds in the pilot experiment were adjusted for multiple comparisons by Bonferroni correction.

Rarefaction was performed using QIIME to discern levels of OTU richness, Chao-1 diversity, and whole-tree phylogenetic diversity with respect to sequence depth (3). Following rarefaction, median abundances for each microbiome extraction were calculated at a level of 2,080 pyrosequence reads. Given an inability to accurately extrapolate OTU abundances beyond a microbiome extraction's maximum read depth, 2,080 reads was selected as a balance between removing microbiome extractions that did not possess this minimum and seeking to attain as many reads, and thus sensitivity, as possible in the included microbiome extractions. To address the unbalanced design resulting from removing extractions not possessing this minimum read depth, the microbiome extractions were bootstrapped for 100 samplings stratified by field environment, soil, and maize inbred. Permutation-based multiple regression analyses were performed

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in a manner similar to that implemented in discerning variation in the proportion of classifiable reads for partitioning variation in  $\alpha$ -diversity, as measured by species richness among extractions. Reported variances in  $\alpha$ -diversity explained by each biological factor, such as field environment, genotype, and genotypewithin-field environment, reflect the proportion of variance explained after accounting for technical factors of amplification batch and pyrosequencing run and rarefying to the common depth of 2,080 reads. The reported 95% bootstrap confidence intervals were derived by reporting the distribution of variance explained upon sampling from the extractions.

To calculate β-diversity, unweighted and weighted UniFrac distance metrics were calculated and used to construct distance matrices using QIIME (3). Subsequently, the entries composing these matrices were bootstrapped for 100 samplings stratified by field environment, bulk soil, and maize inbred. The function "capscale" of the R package vegan v2.0.2 (11) was used in calculation of partial constrained principal coordinate analyses. The proportion of the total variance explained by each factor was calculated after conditioning on amplification batch, pyrosequencing run, and the remaining factors, and constraining variation to the factor of interest. The 95% confidence intervals for this variation explained were derived from the bootstrap samplings. Significances of factors within the model were calculated using vegan's permutation testing function "permutest" for constrained analysis of principal coordinates with 5,000 permutations (11). Comparisons of levels of within factor multivariate dispersion were performed using vegan's implementation of PERMDISP (12).

All comparisons of relative abundance of individual OTU as well as comparisons among soil characteristics were performed by permutation testing using the ImPerm package (10). Reported significance values are adjusted by Bonferroni correction. Normalization of the soil characteristics data and construction of the correlation matrix was performed using routines in the R base package (9). Estimations of the relatedness matrix among maize lines were performed using percent identity by state (12) as well as genotype data from the first-generation maize hapmap (13). Soil characteristic and maize kinship matrices were bootstrapped for 100 samplings stratified by field environment and maize inbred and performed using vegan's implementation of the Mantel test (11, 14).

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Fig. S1. Primer pair effects on proportion of classifiable sequence reads. The boxplots show the proportion of total sequence reads that matched the Greengenes database (*SI Materials and Methods*) and were obtained using the different primer sets (data are for samples shown in Fig. 1).







Fig. S2. Rarefaction curves for the full study. OTU counts as a function of sequence depth shown for (A) field environment, (B) sample type (bulk soil vs. the maize rhizosphere), (C) maize inbreds, and (D) maize inbreds by each soil.

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**Fig. S3.** Factors influencing rhizosphere and soil microbiome  $\beta$ -diversity. Variation in weighted UniFrac dispersion by (*A*) field environment (*P* < 5.00E-03); (*B*) sample type (*P* < 5.00E-03); (*C*) sample type within all field environments (*P* < 5.00E-02); (*D*) maize inbreds (*P* < 5.00E-02). Note that the percent variation explained by the principal coordinates (PCs) from this canonical analysis of principal coordinates (CAP) analysis is indicated on the axes and refers to the fraction of the total variance (indicated in the main text) explained by field (*A*), sample type (*B*), sample type by field (*C*), and maize inbred (*D*).



Fig. S4. Factors influencing rhizosphere and soil microbiome  $\beta$ -diversity. (A–C) Unconstrained principal coordinate analysis of weighted UniFrac distances. The percent variation explained by the PCs is indicated on the axes.



Fig. S5. Factors influencing rhizosphere and soil microbiome  $\beta$ -diversity. (A–C) Unconstrained principal coordinate analysis of unweighted UniFrac distances. The percent variation explained by the PCs is indicated on the axes.



Fig. S6. Soil physiochemical properties. Scatterplots detailing relationships of physiochemical soil characteristics and field environment samples.

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Fig. S7. Constrained principal coordinate analysis of unweighted UniFrac by field environment. Differences among maize inbreds within the different fields: (A) Urbana, IL; (B) Columbia, MO; (C) Aurora, NY; (D) Ithaca, NY; (E) Lansing, NY.



Fig. S8. Constrained principal coordinate analysis of weighted UniFrac by field environment. Differences among maize inbreds within the different fields: (A) Urbana, IL; (B) Columbia, MO; (C) Aurora, NY; (D) Ithaca, NY; (E) Lansing, NY.

# Table S1. Summary of the 16S rRNA gene sequences obtained from the primer test experiment

| Primer             | Maize inbred | Sample type                | Total pyrosequence<br>reads | Pyrosequence reads<br>(without singletons) | Greengenes classifiable<br>reads |  |  |
|--------------------|--------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|----------------------------------|--|--|
| 27F-338R (V1-V2)   | B73          | Rhizosphere                | 12,311                      | 10,324                                     | 9,108                            |  |  |
|                    | B73          | Rhizosphere                | 8,923                       | 7,453                                      | 6,665                            |  |  |
|                    | B73          | Rhizosphere                | 10.582                      | 9.123                                      | 8.074                            |  |  |
|                    | B73          | Rhizosphere                | 9.606                       | 7.672                                      | 6.850                            |  |  |
|                    | Bulk soil    | Bulk soil                  | 13 859                      | 9 804                                      | 8 183                            |  |  |
|                    | Bulk soil    | Bulk soil                  | 5 748                       | 4 034                                      | 3 349                            |  |  |
|                    | Bulk soil    | Bulk soil                  | 12 957                      | 10 1/3                                     | 9,039                            |  |  |
|                    | Bulk soil    | Bulk soil                  | 12,557                      | 9 2/8                                      | 7,676                            |  |  |
|                    |              | Phizocoboro                | 12,247                      | 9,240                                      | 9 522                            |  |  |
|                    | 1111411      | Rhizosphere<br>Dhizosphere | 10,501                      | 9,035                                      | 8,332                            |  |  |
|                    | 111140       | Rhizosphere                | 10,068                      | 9,040                                      | 8,727                            |  |  |
|                    | 11114n       | Rhizosphere                | 12,845                      | 10,401                                     | 9,608                            |  |  |
|                    | Mo17         | Rhizosphere                | 10,411                      | 8,154                                      | 7,077                            |  |  |
|                    | Mo17         | Rhizosphere                | 11,704                      | 8,819                                      | 7,549                            |  |  |
|                    | Mo17         | Rhizosphere                | 17,217                      | 13,941                                     | 12,419                           |  |  |
|                    | Mo17         | Rhizosphere                | 9,436                       | 7,340                                      | 6,380                            |  |  |
| 515F-806R (V3-V4)  | B73          | Rhizosphere                | 17,113                      | 15,227                                     | 12,586                           |  |  |
|                    | B73          | Rhizosphere                | 37,551                      | 34,684                                     | 29,009                           |  |  |
|                    | B73          | Rhizosphere                | 31,550                      | 29,991                                     | 25,256                           |  |  |
|                    | B73          | Rhizosphere                | 29,148                      | 24,828                                     | 21,489                           |  |  |
|                    | Bulk soil    | Bulk soil                  | 44,370                      | 34,949                                     | 28,481                           |  |  |
|                    | Bulk soil    | Bulk soil                  | 13,809                      | 10.880                                     | 8,693                            |  |  |
|                    | Bulk soil    | Bulk soil                  | 17,589                      | 14,636                                     | 12,555                           |  |  |
|                    | Bulk soil    | Bulk soil                  | 16,239                      | 13,637                                     | 10,774                           |  |  |
|                    | lll14h       | Rhizosphere                | 18,655                      | 16.987                                     | 15,769                           |  |  |
|                    | III14h       | Rhizosphere                | 13 499                      | 12 648                                     | 12 012                           |  |  |
|                    | III14h       | Rhizosphere                | 20 298                      | 17 686                                     | 15 90/                           |  |  |
|                    | Mo17         | Rhizosphere                | 12 134                      | 10 792                                     | 8 674                            |  |  |
|                    | No17         | Rhizosphere                | 72,134                      | 10,732                                     | 17 072                           |  |  |
|                    | Mo17         | Rhizosphere                | 20,037                      | 22,771                                     | 0.109                            |  |  |
|                    | IVIO I 7     | Rhizosphere                | 12,311                      | 10,324                                     | 9,108                            |  |  |
|                    | IVIO I /     | Rhizosphere                | 8,923                       | 7,453                                      | 6,665                            |  |  |
| 926F-1392K (V5-V8) | B/3          | Rhizosphere                | 4,791                       | 3,640                                      | 2,034                            |  |  |
|                    | B/3          | Rhizosphere                | 5,220                       | 4,148                                      | 1,944                            |  |  |
|                    | B73          | Rhizosphere                | 4,552                       | 3,856                                      | 1,451                            |  |  |
|                    | B73          | Rhizosphere                | 5,693                       | 4,471                                      | 3,085                            |  |  |
|                    | Bulk soil    | Bulk soil                  | 4,394                       | 2,629                                      | 1,764                            |  |  |
|                    | Bulk soil    | Bulk soil                  | 4,492                       | 3,081                                      | 2,092                            |  |  |
|                    | Bulk soil    | Bulk soil                  | 4,657                       | 2,780                                      | 1,895                            |  |  |
|                    | Bulk soil    | Bulk soil                  | 4,493                       | 2,956                                      | 2,124                            |  |  |
|                    | Ill14h       | Rhizosphere                | 3,741                       | 3,202                                      | 2,814                            |  |  |
|                    | lll14h       | Rhizosphere                | 4,489                       | 4,121                                      | 3,900                            |  |  |
|                    | Mo17         | Rhizosphere                | 5,386                       | 3,883                                      | 2,520                            |  |  |
|                    | Mo17         | Rhizosphere                | 4,780                       | 3,337                                      | 1,952                            |  |  |
|                    | Mo17         | Rhizosphere                | 6.732                       | 5,403                                      | 2.861                            |  |  |
| 804F-1392R (V6-V8) | B73          | Rhizosphere                | 1.463                       | 1.144                                      | 984                              |  |  |
|                    | B73          | Rhizosphere                | 481                         | 384  | 336                              |  |  |
|                    | B73          | Rhizosphere                | 458                         | 370  | 329                              |  |  |
|                    | B73          | Rhizosphere                | 513                         | 423  | 390                              |  |  |
|                    | Bulk soil    | Rulk coil                  | 625                         | 425  | 305                              |  |  |
|                    | Duik soli    | Duik soli                  | 023                         | 429  | 200                              |  |  |
|                    | BUIK SOII    | Bulk soll                  | 000                         | 395  | 299                              |  |  |
|                    | BUIK SOIL    | BUIK SOIL                  | 1,3/8                       | 1,031                                      | 8/9                              |  |  |
|                    | Bulk soil    | Bulk soil                  | 1,815                       | 1,239                                      | 937                              |  |  |
|                    | III14h       | Rhizosphere                | 664                         | 583  | 556                              |  |  |
|                    | Ill14h       | Rhizosphere                | 509                         | 481  | 469                              |  |  |
|                    | lll14h       | Rhizosphere                | 405                         | 342  | 320                              |  |  |
|                    | Mo17         | Rhizosphere                | 426                         | 324  | 277                              |  |  |
|                    | Mo17         | Rhizosphere                | 572                         | 428  | 358                              |  |  |
|                    | Mo17         | Rhizosphere                | 558                         | 440  | 380                              |  |  |
|                    | Mo17         | Rhizosphere                | 455                         | 339  | 290                              |  |  |

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### Table S2. Summary of three measures of $\alpha$ -diversity

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| Factor       | Level       | Chao-1<br>(10 reads) | PD (10<br>reads) | Species<br>richness<br>(10 reads) | Chao-1<br>(838<br>reads) | PD<br>(838<br>reads) | Species<br>richness<br>(838<br>reads) | Chao-1<br>(1,459<br>reads) | PD<br>(1,459<br>reads) | Species<br>richness<br>(1,459<br>reads) | Chao-1<br>(2,080<br>reads) | PD<br>(2080<br>reads) | Species<br>richness<br>(2,080<br>reads) |
|--------------|-------------|----------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|---|----------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Туре         | Bulk Soil   | 48                   | 3                | 9                                 | 1,310                    | 47                   | 483                                   | 1,687                      | 62                     | 726                                     | 1,973                      | 73                    | 929                                     |
|              | Rhizosphere | 33                   | 2                | 8                                 | 810                      | 28                   | 299                                   | 1,032                      | 36                     | 425                                     | 1,209                      | 42                    | 532                                     |
| Field        | Aurora      | 33                   | 2                | 8                                 | 846                      | 30                   | 304                                   | 1,088                      | 38                     | 439                                     | 1,271                      | 45                    | 555                                     |
| environment  | Columbia    | 39                   | 2                | 9                                 | 1,090                    | 39                   | 387                                   | 1,405                      | 50                     | 565                                     | 1,646                      | 59                    | 716                                     |
|              | Ithaca      | 33                   | 2                | 8                                 | 716                      | 28                   | 294                                   | 920                        | 35                     | 416                                     | 1,075                      | 41                    | 517                                     |
|              | Lansing     | 35                   | 2                | 8                                 | 887                      | 29                   | 318                                   | 1,110                      | 37                     | 451                                     | 1,297                      | 44                    | 567                                     |
|              | Urbana      | 32                   | 2                | 8                                 | 757                      | 25                   | 285                                   | 958                        | 32                     | 402                                     | 1,134                      | 38                    | 502                                     |
| Maize Inbred | B73         | 39                   | 2                | 9                                 | 857                      | 32                   | 343                                   | 1,121                      | 40                     | 485                                     | 1,289                      | 46                    | 593                                     |
|              | B97         | 35                   | 2                | 8                                 | 943                      | 33                   | 342                                   | 1,221                      | 43                     | 498                                     | 1,445                      | 51                    | 634                                     |
|              | CML103      | 25                   | 2                | 8                                 | 643                      | 22                   | 232                                   | 850                        | 29                     | 336                                     | 937                        | 32                    | 399                                     |
|              | CML228      | 34                   | 2                | 8                                 | 832                      | 29                   | 295                                   | 1,052                      | 37                     | 424                                     | 1,260                      | 44                    | 533                                     |
|              | CML247      | 27                   | 2                | 8                                 | 633                      | 22                   | 238                                   | 816                        | 29                     | 343                                     | 917                        | 33                    | 409                                     |
|              | CML277      | 31                   | 2                | 8                                 | 845                      | 28                   | 298                                   | 1,038                      | 36                     | 416                                     | 1,242                      | 43                    | 537                                     |
|              | CML322      | 30                   | 2                | 8                                 | 781                      | 27                   | 274                                   | 998                        | 35                     | 398                                     | 1,179                      | 41                    | 498                                     |
|              | CML333      | 33                   | 2                | 8                                 | 903                      | 31                   | 327                                   | 1,120                      | 39                     | 458                                     | 1,277                      | 45                    | 564                                     |
|              | CML52       | 36                   | 2                | 9                                 | 848                      | 30                   | 320                                   | 1,062                      | 38                     | 460                                     | 1,317                      | 47                    | 605                                     |
|              | CML69       | 35                   | 2                | 8                                 | 871                      | 30                   | 320                                   | 1,136                      | 40                     | 467                                     | 1,333                      | 47                    | 591                                     |
|              | Hp301       | 32                   | 2                | 8                                 | 792                      | 28                   | 289                                   | 1,039                      | 37                     | 420                                     | 1,233                      | 44                    | 535                                     |
|              | II14H       | 36                   | 2                | 9                                 | 950                      | 33                   | 356                                   | 1,268                      | 45                     | 532                                     | 1,527                      | 54                    | 685                                     |
|              | Ki11        | 30                   | 2                | 8                                 | 856                      | 28                   | 284                                   | 1,077                      | 37                     | 418                                     | 1,296                      | 43                    | 527                                     |
|              | Ki3         | 32                   | 2                | 8                                 | 732                      | 25                   | 279                                   | 969                        | 33                     | 403                                     | 1,116                      | 39                    | 504                                     |
|              | Ky21        | 34                   | 2                | 8                                 | 886                      | 30                   | 320                                   | 1,131                      | 38                     | 451                                     | 1,367                      | 46                    | 577                                     |
|              | M162W       | 32                   | 2                | 8                                 | 669                      | 25                   | 268                                   | 771                        | 29                     | 341                                     | 922                        | 34                    | 423                                     |
|              | M37W        | 35                   | 2                | 8                                 | 876                      | 30                   | 324                                   | 1,067                      | 36                     | 438                                     | 1,266                      | 43                    | 548                                     |
|              | Mo17        | 39                   | 2                | 9                                 | 987                      | 34                   | 364                                   | 1,233                      | 43                     | 515                                     | 1,446                      | 51                    | 661                                     |
|              | Mo18W       | 32                   | 2                | 8                                 | 618                      | 22                   | 238                                   | 812                        | 29                     | 344                                     | 955                        | 34                    | 426                                     |
|              | MS71        | 29                   | 2                | 8                                 | 686                      | 24                   | 256                                   | 878                        | 31                     | 363                                     | 932                        | 32                    | 396                                     |
|              | NC350       | 34                   | 2                | 8                                 | 747                      | 26                   | 275                                   | 966                        | 34                     | 396                                     | 1,104                      | 38                    | 470                                     |
|              | NC358       | 36                   | 2                | 8                                 | 886                      | 32                   | 332                                   | 1,059                      | 39                     | 449                                     | 1,176                      | 44                    | 546                                     |
|              | Oh43        | 34                   | 2                | 9                                 | 885                      | 30                   | 320                                   | 1,131                      | 39                     | 458                                     | 1,328                      | 46                    | 581                                     |
|              | Oh7B        | 37                   | 2                | 8                                 | 908                      | 32                   | 348                                   | 1,178                      | 43                     | 509                                     | 1,392                      | 50                    | 642                                     |
|              | P39         | 27                   | 2                | 8                                 | 682                      | 24                   | 245                                   | 897                        | 32                     | 357                                     | 1,023                      | 36                    | 437                                     |
|              | Tx303       | 31                   | 2                | 8                                 | 798                      | 29                   | 297                                   | 1,045                      | 37                     | 427                                     | 1,274                      | 46                    | 560                                     |
|              | Tzi8        | 31                   | 2                | 8                                 | 743                      | 26                   | 282                                   | 1,005                      | 36                     | 423                                     | 1,183                      | 42                    | 526                                     |

Chao-1 is an estimator of total species richness. It infers the abundance of unsampled diversity present within the community as a function of the abundance of singleton and doubleton species. This estimate is then added to the observed species richness. PD or phylogenetic diversity is a measure of biodiversity that incorporates phylogenetic differences between species. In this approach related individuals increase estimates of biodiversity less than unrelated individuals. Species richness is a measure of the observed number of unique OTU characterized at a given rarefaction level of reads.

# Table S3. Physiochemical properties of the soils from the five field environments

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| Location    | Sample<br>no. | Moisture<br>(%) | P<br>(mg/kg) | K<br>(mg/kg) | Mg<br>(mg/kg) | Ca<br>(mg/kg)  | Fe<br>(mg/kg)  | Al<br>(mg/kg) | Mn<br>(mg/kg) | Zn<br>(mg/kg) | pH<br>(mg/kg) | LOI<br>(%) | OM<br>(%)  | NO₃<br>(mg/kg) |
|-------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------|------------|----------------|
| Aurora, NY  | 1             | 2.21            | 18           | 95           | 715           | 5,230          | 2  | 12            | 18            | 0.3           | 7.8           | 4.0        | 2.6        | 56             |
|             | 2             | 2.23            | 14           | 145          | 690           | 4,030          | <det< td=""><td>5</td><td>11</td><td>0.3</td><td>7.4</td><td>4.2</td><td>2.7</td><td>126</td></det<>       | 5             | 11            | 0.3           | 7.4           | 4.2        | 2.7        | 126            |
|             | 3             | 2.15            | 17           | 210          | 585           | 4,720          | 1  | 7             | 12            | 0.2           | 7.6           | 4.1        | 2.7        | 53             |
|             | 4             | 2.12            | 18           | 235          | 650           | 3,670          | <det< td=""><td>4</td><td>14</td><td>0.5</td><td>7.3</td><td>4.1</td><td>2.6</td><td>99</td></det<>        | 4             | 14            | 0.5           | 7.3           | 4.1        | 2.6        | 99             |
|             | 5             | 2.17            | 17           | 80           | 730           | 5,940<br>7 770 | <det<br>1</det<br>   | 10            | 30            | 0.6           | 7.6<br>8.0    | 4.2<br>3.6 | 2.7        | 80<br>40       |
|             | 7             | 2.05            | 13           | 120          | 585           | 3,990          | <det< td=""><td>7</td><td>16</td><td>0.6</td><td>7.4</td><td>4.2</td><td>2.7</td><td>96</td></det<>        | 7             | 16            | 0.6           | 7.4           | 4.2        | 2.7        | 96             |
|             | 8             | 1.92            | 39           | 145          | 695           | 5,100          | <det< td=""><td>9</td><td>15</td><td>0.6</td><td>8.0</td><td>4.7</td><td>3.0</td><td>31</td></det<>        | 9             | 15            | 0.6           | 8.0           | 4.7        | 3.0        | 31             |
|             | 9             | 2.39            | 14           | 125          | 665           | 4,120          | <det< td=""><td>6</td><td>14</td><td>0.3</td><td>7.4</td><td>4.1</td><td>2.6</td><td>68</td></det<>        | 6             | 14            | 0.3           | 7.4           | 4.1        | 2.6        | 68             |
|             | 10            | 1.89            | 12           | 65           | 675           | 3,990          | <det< td=""><td>5</td><td>16</td><td>0.5</td><td>7.5</td><td>3.9</td><td>2.5</td><td>66</td></det<>        | 5             | 16            | 0.5           | 7.5           | 3.9        | 2.5        | 66             |
|             | 11            | 2.04            | 6            | 45           | 555           | 3,990          | 1  | 12            | 7             | 0.6           | 7.7           | 3.6        | 2.3        | 27             |
|             | 12            | 2.14            | 12           | 95           | 675           | 6,230          | 1  | 9             | 14            | 0.3           | 7.8           | 3.8        | 2.4        | 65             |
|             | 13            | 2.01            | 20           | 130          | /25           | 8,230          | <det< td=""><td>9</td><td>23</td><td>0.5</td><td>7.9</td><td>3.0<br/>20</td><td>2.3</td><td>48</td></det<> | 9             | 23            | 0.5           | 7.9           | 3.0<br>20  | 2.3        | 48             |
| Lansing NY  | 14            | 7.00            | 36           | 00<br>295    | 390           | 4,000<br>3 410 | <det<br>1</det<br>   | 9<br>19       | 20<br>13      | 0.5<br>3.9    | 7.4<br>6.6    | 5.9<br>49  | 2.5        | 154<br>47      |
| Lansing, NT | 2             | 2.28            | 48           | 330          | 405           | 3,280          | 1  | 15            | 12            | 4.1           | 6.4           | 5.0        | 3.2        | 86             |
|             | 3             | 2.02            | 41           | 430          | 395           | 2,930          | 3  | 20            | 16            | 3.7           | 6.4           | 4.7        | 3.1        | 115            |
|             | 4             | 1.99            | 33           | 270          | 345           | 3,430          | 2  | 17            | 18            | 2.7           | 6.7           | 4.2        | 2.7        | 99             |
|             | 5             | 2.26            | 54           | 410          | 430           | 4,560          | 2  | 17            | 24            | 4.2           | 6.7           | 5.5        | 3.6        | 75             |
|             | 6             | 2.19            | 80           | 520          | 475           | 8,040          | 3  | 18            | 33            | 5.8           | 6.7           | 5.2        | 3.4        | 135            |
|             | 7             | 2.19            | 48           | 305          | 390           | 3,590          | <det< td=""><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>3.9</td><td>6.6</td><td>5.3</td><td>3.5</td><td>44</td></det<>       | 12            | 13            | 3.9           | 6.6           | 5.3        | 3.5        | 44             |
|             | 8             | 2.31            | 54           | 450          | 440           | 4,980          | 1  | 15            | 25            | 4./           | 6.6           | 5.3        | 3.5        | 138            |
|             | 9<br>10       | 7.94            | 42<br>57     | 305<br>//20  | 390<br>//15   | 4,040          | 1<br>2   | 14            | 12            | 3./<br>3.9    | 6.6           | 4.8        | 3.1<br>3.7 | 95<br>61       |
|             | 10            | 2.30            | 54<br>67     | 420          | 415           | 4,140          | 2  | 17            | 12            | 2.9<br>4.4    | 6.7           | 5.0        | 3.7        | 70             |
|             | 12            | 2.24            | 63           | 900          | 425           | 3,600          | <det< td=""><td>12</td><td>17</td><td>4.3</td><td>6.6</td><td>6.0</td><td>4.0</td><td>95</td></det<>       | 12            | 17            | 4.3           | 6.6           | 6.0        | 4.0        | 95             |
|             | 13            | 2.12            | 57           | 660          | 450           | 5,870          | 3  | 22            | 76            | 5.0           | 6.9           | 5.1        | 3.3        | 59             |
|             | 14            | 1.76            | 44           | 375          | 390           | 3,180          | 1  | 13            | 17            | 3.8           | 6.6           | 4.6        | 3.0        | 85             |
|             | 15            | 2.04            | 61           | 385          | 395           | 4,340          | 1  | 15            | 14            | 4.9           | 6.7           | 5.0        | 3.3        | 65             |
| lthaca, NY  | 1             | 1.70            | 19           | 270          | 215           | 2,840          | 5  | 33            | 18            | 0.3           | 6.6           | 5.5        | 3.6        | 44             |
|             | 2             | 1.75            | 15           | 270          | 195           | 2,460          | 5  | 45            | 16            | 0.5           | 6.4           | 5.3        | 3.5        | 51             |
|             | 3             | 1.71            | 20           | 405          | 215           | 2,620          | 4  | 4Z<br>20      | 15            | 0.4           | 6.3           | 5.7        | 3.8<br>1.2 | 52<br>//2      |
|             | 5             | 1.65            | 19           | 405          | 240           | 2,000          | 6  | 48            | 22            | 0.5           | 6.5           | 5.6        | 3.7        | 45             |
|             | 6             | 1.68            | 17           | 230          | 200           | 2,680          | 6  | 45            | 19            | 0.4           | 6.1           | 5.5        | 3.6        | 52             |
|             | 7             | 2.17            | 23           | 215          | 290           | 3,720          | 3  | 24            | 12            | 0.6           | 6.2           | 6.6        | 4.4        | 26             |
|             | 8             | 1.84            | 21           | 295          | 245           | 3,000          | 4  | 31            | 15            | 0.3           | 6.1           | 5.7        | 3.8        | 36             |
|             | 9             | 1.79            | 13           | 165          | 230           | 2,870          | 6  | 32            | 15            | 0.5           | 6.3           | 5.2        | 3.4        | 30             |
|             | 10            | 1.76            | 16           | 265          | 245           | 3,080          | 5  | 26            | 24            | 0.4           | 5.7           | 5.5        | 3.6        | 41             |
|             | 11            | 2.33            | 26           | 235          | 325           | 4,120          | 3  | 18            | 19<br>17      | 0.5           | 5.9           | 6.4        | 4.3        | 3/             |
|             | 12            | 2.24            | 41<br>10     | 255          | 310           | 3,270          | 5<br>/   | 24<br>18      | 17            | 0.7           | 5.9           | 0.4<br>5.8 | 4.5<br>3.8 | 50             |
|             | 14            | 2.01            | 19           | 170          | 290           | 3,460          | 4  | 10            | 15            | 0.4           | 5.8           | 5.6        | 3.7        | 28             |
|             | 15            | 2.48            | 29           | 200          | 340           | 4,360          | 2  | 15            | 22            | 0.3           | 6.0           | 6.9        | 4.6        | 34             |
| Columbia,   | 1             | 1.75            | 7            | 104          | 203           | 2,187          | 2  | 6             | 36            | 0.5           | 6.8           | 4.1        | 2.6        | 5              |
| MO          | 2             | 1.73            | 9            | 108          | 217           | 2,322          | 2  | 5             | 38            | 0.6           | 6.5           | 4.4        | 2.9        | 37             |
|             | 3             | 2.1             | 7            | 116          | 266           | 2,484          | 1  | 6             | 35            | 0.5           | 6.5           | 4.7        | 3.0        | 23             |
|             | 4             | 1.96            | 9            | 104          | 233           | 2,490          | 1  | 5             | 27            | 0.5           | 6.9           | 4.5        | 2.9        | 10             |
|             | 5             | 1.66            | 11           | 123          | 155           | 2,089          | 2  | 12            | 21            | 0.4           | 6.2           | 6.3        | 4.2        | 10             |
|             | 0<br>7        | 2.21            | 1/           | 122          | 2/0           | 2,402          | 1  | 0<br>10       | 41            | 0.5           | 6.4<br>6.1    | 4.5        | 2.9        | 39<br>12       |
|             | 8             | 2.07            | 14           | 131          | 256           | 2.482          | 4  | 5             | 32            | 0.5           | 6.5           | 4.5        | 2.9        | 85             |
|             | 9             | 2.14            | 10           | 127          | 258           | 2,514          | 1  | 5             | 34            | 0.6           | 6.5           | 4.5        | 2.9        | 89             |
|             | 10            | 2.03            | 8            | 131          | 247           | 2,482          | 1  | 6             | 38            | 0.5           | 6.6           | 4.6        | 3.0        | 53             |
|             | 11            | 2.02            | 8            | 130          | 245           | 2,518          | 1  | 6             | 35            | 0.5           | 6.7           | 4.5        | 2.9        | 30             |
|             | 12            | 2.13            | 7            | 115          | 267           | 2,407          | 1  | 6             | 35            | 0.4           | 6.6           | 4.5        | 2.9        | 52             |
|             | 13            | 1.95            | 8            | 133          | 244           | 2,471          | 2  | 6             | 34            | 0.5           | 6.7           | 4.4        | 2.9        | 37             |
|             | 14            | 2.07            | 9            | 154          | 254           | 2,468          | 1  | 6             | 36            | 0.5           | 6.7           | 4.3        | 2.8        | 49             |
|             | 15            | 1.32            | 21           | 164          | 180           | 1,523          | 2  | 12            | 33            | 2.5           | 6.2           | 5.4        | 3.5        | 19             |

### Table S3. Cont.

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| Location   | Sample<br>no. | Moisture<br>(%) | P<br>(mg/kg) | K<br>(mg/kg) | Mg<br>(mg/kg) | Ca<br>(mg/kg) | Fe<br>(mg/kg) | Al<br>(mg/kg) | Mn<br>(mg/kg) | Zn<br>(mg/kg) | pH<br>(mg/kg) | LOI<br>(%) | OM<br>(%) | NO₃<br>(mg/kg) |
|------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------|-----------|----------------|
| Urbana, IL | 1             | 2.19            | 1            | 103          | 416           | 1,924         | 4             | 31            | 41            | 0.6           | 5.2           | 5.5        | 0.6       | 21             |
|            | 2             | 2.17            | 1            | 115          | 414           | 1,892         | 4             | 33            | 48            | 0.6           | 4.9           | 5.5        | 0.6       | 55             |
|            | 3             | 2.22            | 1            | 78           | 413           | 1,929         | 5             | 36            | 44            | 0.6           | 5.1           | 5.6        | 0.6       | 22             |
|            | 4             | 2.39            | 1            | 167          | 455           | 2,247         | 4             | 29            | 30            | 0.7           | 5.2           | 6.3        | 0.7       | 27             |
|            | 5             | 2.42            | 2            | 195          | 469           | 2,275         | 3             | 27            | 37            | 0.7           | 5.3           | 6.3        | 0.7       | 41             |
|            | 6             | 2.44            | 1            | 195          | 500           | 2,332         | 3             | 27            | 36            | 0.7           | 5.2           | 6.2        | 0.7       | 54             |
|            | 7             | 2.39            | 1            | 169          | 452           | 2,211         | 3             | 26            | 29            | 0.5           | 5.5           | 6.0        | 0.5       | 3              |
|            | 8             | 2.3             | 2            | 170          | 449           | 2,176         | 4             | 29            | 39            | 0.7           | 5.2           | 6.0        | 0.7       | 39             |
|            | 9             | 2.25            | 2            | 193          | 458           | 2,166         | 3             | 25            | 37            | 0.6           | 5.2           | 6.1        | 0.6       | 56             |
|            | 10            | 2.37            | 2            | 188          | 439           | 2,117         | 3             | 28            | 34            | 1.3           | 5.4           | 6.1        | 1.3       | 13             |
|            | 11            | 2.41            | 1            | 148          | 478           | 2,333         | 3             | 31            | 29            | 0.5           | 5.3           | 6.3        | 0.5       | 20             |
|            | 12            | 2.37            | 1            | 119          | 466           | 2,146         | 4             | 33            | 41            | 0.6           | 5.3           | 5.9        | 0.6       | 9              |
|            | 13            | 2.16            | 1            | 127          | 411           | 1,960         | 4             | 32            | 38            | 0.6           | 5.3           | 5.7        | 0.6       | 5              |
|            | 14            | 1.35            | 27           | 155          | 196           | 2,092         | 1             | 7             | 31            | 1.8           | 6.7           | 5.4        | 1.8       | 21             |
|            | 15            | 1.05            | 26           | 145          | 178           | 2,279         | 1             | 7             | 36            | 2.0           | 6.9           | 5.3        | 2.0       | 13             |

Al, aluminum measured in milligrams per kilogram; Ca, calcium measured in milligrams per kilogram; Fe, iron measured in milligrams per kilogram; K, potassium measured in milligrams per kilogram; LOI, percentage of mass lost on ignition; Mg, magnesium measured in milligrams per kilogram; Mn, manganese measured in milligrams per kilogram; Moisture, percentage of moisture present within sample; NO<sub>3</sub>, nitrate measured in milligrams per kilogram; OM, percentage of organic matter; P, phosphorus measured in milligrams per kilogram; pH, acidity hydrogen ion concentration; Zn, zinc measured in milligrams per kilogram; <det, indicates quantity below detectable limit of instruments used.