Supplementary 1. **Calculation of insect nitrogen available to plants through EIPF**

The estimated amount of atmospheric nitrogen that is fixed in an ecosystem varies between 10-160 kg/ha/yr (1). Approximately 31% of this fixed, plant incorporated, nitrogen is then lost to insect herbivores (2). Therefore the amount of plant nitrogen lost through insect herbivory varies between 3.1kg/ha/yr (10kg/ha/yr x 0.31) to 49.6kg/ha/yr (160kg/ha/yr x 0.31). It is estimated that insects are able to incorporate 50% of ingested nitrogen (3), therefore the amount of plant nitrogen incorporated into insect biomass varies between 1.55kg/ha/yr (10kg/ha/yr x 0.31) to 24.8kg/ha/yr (160kg/ha/yr x 0.31).

We then estimated that approximately 30% of soil insects may become infected by EIPF (4) however this number could be as high as 66%. Therefore, the amount of insect derived nitrogen potentially provided to plants by EIPF varies between 0.465kg/ha/yr (1.55kg/ha/yr x 0.30) and 7.44kg/ha/yr (24.8kg/ha/yr x 0.30).

We then calculated that the percentage of the total fixed nitrogen provided to plants through EIPF as 4.65%. That is 0.93kg/ha/yr/insect derived nitrogen provided to plants through EIPF divided by 10kg/ha/yr average atmospheric fixed nitrogen. Similarly, 7.44kg/ha/yr insect derived nitrogen provided to plants through EIPF divided by 160kg/ha/yr average atmospheric fixed nitrogen in an ecosystem is also 4.65%.

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