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S5) Plotted species means used for analysis

The mean values plotted by species, month and treatment on the following five pages were calculated from raw data, using R version 3.0.1 (R Core Team, 2013). Mean values based on ≤ 2 replicates were eliminated from the dataset, as were species means that were not paired across treatments in any given month. Error bars, where given, are SEM; where error bars are missing this is because values were calculated from species means, which represent a single value rather than measurements replicated across several plants.

Species codes:

 $Hc = Heteropogon\ contortus\ (C_4,\ Andropogoneae)$

 $Hh = Hyparrhenia\ hirta\ (C_4,\ Andropogoneae)$

 $Tt = Themeda triandra (C_4, Andropogoneae)$

As = Alloteropsis semialata ss. eckloniana (C₃, Paniceae)

 $Pa = Panicum aequinerve (C_3, Paniceae)$

Pe = $Panicum\ ecklonii\ (C_3, Paniceae)$

 $Ac = Aristida \ congesta \ ss. \ barbicollis (C_4, Aristidoideae)$

 $Ad = Aristida diffusa ss. diffusa (C_4, Aristidoideae)$

Ai = Aristida junciformis ss. junciformis (C₄, Aristidoideae)

 $Kc = Karoochloa curva (C_3, Danthonioideae)$

 $Md = Merxmuellera disticha (C_3, Danthonioideae)$

 $Pc = Pentaschistis curvifolia (C_3, Danthonioideae)$

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