

Supplementary Materials

Table 1. [CO₂] and mycorrhizal effects on fungal growth, plant physiology, and plant growth in *T. ceratophorum*.

Trait	Model	CO ₂	CxM	Myc	CxM	CxCxM	ΔAIC _c
Overall growth							
Total biomass (g)	linear	51.07****	-	0.08	0.48	-	10.47
	quadratic	59.24****	4.30*	2.4	0.54	3.81*	0.00
Leaf biomass (g)	linear	43.14****	-	0.00	0.65	-	38.30
	quadratic	46.71****	3.87*	1.63	0.49	3.05 ^a	0.00
Total root biomass (g)	linear	48.05****	-	0.28	0.25	-	37.90
	quadratic	55.11****	3.51 ^a	2.66	0.43	3.56 ^a	0.00
Fine root biomass (g)	linear	35.07****	-	0.02	0.67	-	16.80
	quadratic	35.12****	1.25	1.08	0.98	1.87	0.00
Root growth							
Total root length (m)	linear	36.72****	-	0.42	4.59*	-	0.52
	quadratic	39.62****	5.44*	0.19	2.70 ^a	0.02	0.00
SRL (m g ⁻¹)	linear	29.97****	-	0.73	1.9	-	0.00
	quadratic	48.79****	9.13**	0.02	3.38 ^a	1.39	225.93
Leaf growth							
Total leaf area (cm ²)	linear	20.55****	-	0.19	7.64**	-	0.00
	quadratic	17.67****	1.07	0.86	2.96 ^a	0.41	3.51
SLA (cm ² g ⁻¹)	linear	46.69****	-	3.15 ^a	0.09	-	9.80
	quadratic	59.37****	14.10***	0.05	0.01	0.62	0.00
Leaf production (#)	linear	24.56****	-	0.21	4.72*	-	0.00
	quadratic	20.56****	0.44	0.004	2.48	0.13	4.37
Growth rate (Δleaf #/day)	linear	14.32***	-	0.09	4.45*	-	0.00
	quadratic	16.29****	2.52	0.08	1.98	0.27	2.17
Growth rate (Δleaf length/day)	linear	37.73****	-	0.06	3.91*	-	1.40
	quadratic	41.28****	5.47*	0.50	1.05	1	0.00
Leaf stoichiometry							
Leaf N content (mg cm ⁻²)	linear	3.55 ^a	-	1.73	0.23	-	15.64
	quadratic	11.63***	18.65****	0.24	0.06	2.61	0.00
Leaf P content (mg cm ⁻²)	linear	0.24	-	1.57	0.80	-	0.00
	quadratic	0.38	0.85	0.57	0.87	0.01	4.32
N:P (mg mg ⁻¹)	linear	1.09	-	2.94 ^a	0.05	-	0.00
	quadratic	1.54	2.51	0.6	0.05	0.08	2.60
C:N (mg mg ⁻¹)	linear	19.34****	-	0.48	0.22	-	0.00
	quadratic	4.57*	1.05	1.18	0.15	0.68	4.58
Leaf gas exchange							
Photosynthetic rate (<i>A</i> , μmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹)	linear	23.00****	-	0.02	1.04	-	2.06
	quadratic	24.86****	3.26 ^a	1.99	3.35 ^a	2.77 ^a	0.00
Stomatal conductance (<i>g_s</i> , mmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹)	linear	37.14****	-	0.90	1.60	-	0.00
	quadratic	35.56****	2.76 ^a	0.99	2.40	0.42	2.04
Water-use efficiency (<i>A/E</i>)	linear	45.07****	-	0.05	0.00	-	0.00
	quadratic	24.78****	0.65	0.12	0.1	0.12	4.09
Fungal growth							
Mycorrhizal colonization rate (%)	linear	0.99	-	113.33****	0.61	-	17.45
	quadratic	0.70	0.03	18.70****	0.05	0.29	0.00
Mycorrhizal root length (m)	linear	3.61 ^a	-	101.46****	1.26	-	0.00
	quadratic	3.04 ^a	0.31	18.04****	0.63	0.09	142.34

*Asterisks indicate the level of significance (*P ≥ 0.05, **P ≥ 0.01, ***P ≥ 0.001, ****P ≥ 0.0001)

^aResponse shows a marginal trend (0.1 > P > 0.05)

Table 2. [CO₂] and mycorrhizal effects on fungal growth, plant physiology, and plant growth in *T. officinale*.

Trait	Model	CO ₂	Cx C	Myc	Cx M	Cx Cx M	ΔAIC _c
Plant biomass							
Total biomass (g)	linear	32.74****	-	0.12	2.61	-	4.60
	quadratic	37.80****	5.91*	1.84	1.61	3.42 ^a	0.00
Leaf biomass (g)	linear	29.54****	-	0.00	1.39	-	6.73
	quadratic	36.64****	8.04**	2.46	0.81	3.42 ^a	0.00
Total root biomass (g)	linear	29.64****	-	0.01	3.16 ^a	-	2.97
	quadratic	25.71****	6.64**	0.81	1.50	0.85	0.00
Fine root biomass (g)	linear	51.05****	-	0.06	0.53	-	0.00
	quadratic	55.51****	5.94*	0.10	2.48	0.79	6.38
Root growth							
Total root length (m)	linear	33.39****	-	0.01	1.74	-	8.22
	quadratic	43.53****	11.74***	1.07	1.77	1.22	0.00
SRL (m g ⁻¹)	linear	19.59****	-	0.01	0.55	-	1.10
	quadratic	14.83****	9.19**	0.47	0.41	0.10	0.00
Leaf growth							
Total leaf area (cm ²)	linear	11.83***	-	1.05	0.28	-	1.43
	quadratic	16.58****	6.12*	1.07	0.45	0.22	0.00
SLA (cm ² g ⁻¹)	linear	33.05****	-	0.79	0.10	-	9.23
	quadratic	42.93****	11.02***	0.51	0.29	2.17	0.00
Leaf production (#)	linear	1.15	-	0.91	1.70	-	0.00
	quadratic	0.20	0.98	3.74 ^a	0.26	2.89 ^a	1.50
Growth rate (Δleaf #/day)	linear	2.99 ^a	-	1.16	1.34	-	0.00
	quadratic	1.40	0.48	4.20*	0.14	3.08 ^a	1.72
Growth rate (Δleaf length/day)	linear	31.95****	-	0.06	2.70 ^a	-	1.69
	quadratic	35.37****	4.55*	1.73	1.92	1.89	0.00
Leaf stoichiometry							
Leaf N content (mg cm ⁻²)	linear	0.01	-	3.93*	0.03	-	0.00
	quadratic	0.17	0.23	0.00	0.43	1.76	3.00
Leaf P content (mg cm ⁻²)	linear	0.87	-	0.02	0.24	-	0.00
	quadratic	0.82	0.37	0.57	0.04	1	3.68
N:P (mg mg ⁻¹)	linear	5.47*	-	4.80*	0.97	-	0.00
	quadratic	8.38**	3.32 ^a	0.8	1.65	0.18	1.54
C:N (mg mg ⁻¹)	linear	29.96****	-	0.45	0.35	-	6.79
	quadratic	33.42****	9.36**	0.47	1.20	2.24	0.00
Leaf gas exchange							
Photosynthetic rate (<i>A</i> , μmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹)	linear	40.90****	-	0.23	6.48**	-	1.24
	quadratic	46.91****	6.04*	0.10	3.70 ^a	0.58	0.00
Stomatal conductance (<i>g_s</i> , mmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹)	linear	47.00****	-	0.00	0.26	-	15.39
	quadratic	63.24****	19.77****	0.16	0.00	0.41	0.00
Water-use efficiency (<i>A/E</i>)	linear	54.22****	-	0.08	0.37	-	44.96
	quadratic	102.23****	47.34****	0.67	0.79	0.84	0.00
Fungal growth							
Mycorrhizal colonization rate (%)	linear	0.01	-	75.67****	0.04	-	6.44
	quadratic	0.00	0.08	9.56**	0.01	0.40	0.00
Mycorrhizal root length (m)	linear	0.88	-	62.30****	0.73	-	0.00
	quadratic	0.75	0.00	14.27***	0.30	0.37	42.80

*Asterisks indicate the level of significance (*P ≥ 0.05, **P ≥ 0.01, ***P ≥ 0.001, ****P ≥ 0.0001)

^aResponse shows a marginal trend (0.1 > P > 0.05)

Table 3. Comparison of structural equation models for *T. ceratophorum* and *T. officinale*

Model*	<i>T. ceratophorum</i>			<i>T. officinale</i>		
	Fisher's C	P	ΔAICc	Fisher's C	P	ΔAICc
(1) [CO₂] affected plant traits and R_{Bio} via changes in fungal growth (no direct [CO₂] pathways)						
1.1	160.03	0.003	81.77	165.38	0.001	83.53
1.2	85.64	0.85	22.66	94.34	0.69	16.00
1.3	99.45	0.93	32.76	118.15	0.72	24.07
(2) [CO₂] directly affected plant traits and R_{Bio} (no fungal pathways)						
2.1	172.77	0.001	93.27	182.56	0.00	93.83
2.2	109.37	0.39	41.65	109.4	0.34	25.85
2.3	125.74	0.54	52.85	120.29	0.76	23.48
(3) [CO₂] and fungal growth affected plant traits and R_{Bio}						
3.1	123.77	0.02	50.45	144.5	0.00	68.39
3.2	62.13	0.91	1.44	75.05	0.69	0.73
3.3	77.15	0.99	0.00	87.03	0.97	0.00

*Models 1.3, 2.3, and 3.3 represented the simplest version of each model category that was not missing significant pathways based on Shipley's test of direction separation.

Table 4. Standardized pathway coefficients and submodel R^2 values for the *T. ceratophorum* and *T. officinale* models with the lowest AICc values.

Response ratios	[CO ₂]	Myc. length	SRL	Root length	N:P	C:N	A	<i>g_s</i>	WUE	SLA	GR _#	GR _{length}	Leaf area	R^2
<i>T. ceratophorum</i>														
Mycorrhizal root length	0.43**	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.19
Specific root length (SRL)	0.50**	-0.32 ^a	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.21
Total root length	-0.12	-	-0.81****	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.75
Leaf N:P	-	0.59**	-	0.38 ^a	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.31
Leaf C:N	-0.60 ^a	-	-	-0.47 ^a	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.20
Photosynthetic rate (A)	-0.08	-	-	0.42a	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.18
Transpiration rate (<i>E</i>)	-0.36 ^a	-	-	-0.21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.23
Water-use efficiency (WUE)	0.14	-0.64**	-	-	0.36 ^a	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.29
Specific leaf area (SLA)	-	-	-	0.34*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.11
Growth rate (#/day)	-	-	-	0.59**	-0.41*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.35
Growth rate (length/day)	-	-0.22 ^a	-	0.54***	-	-	-	-	-	0.20	-	-	-	0.45
Total leaf area	-	-0.14 ^a	-	0.21*	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.37***	0.46***	-	0.86
Total biomass (<i>R_{Bio}</i>)	-	-	0.15*	0.50****	-	-	-	-	-	-0.12**	0.09 ^a	-	0.69****	0.97
<i>T. officinale</i>														
Mycorrhizal root length	0.28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.08
Specific root length (SRL)	-0.38*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.15
Total root length	0.20*	-	-0.82****	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.83
Leaf N:P	-	0.42****	-	-0.77****	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.58
Leaf C:N	-0.14	-	-	0.89****	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.64
Photosynthetic rate (A)	-0.17	-	-	-0.66***	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.58
Transpiration rate (<i>E</i>)	0.10	0.44*	-	-0.52*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.31
Water-use efficiency (WUE)	-	-0.36**	-0.51***	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.54
Specific leaf area (SLA)	-	-	-	-	-	-0.61***	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.52
Growth rate (#/day)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.47**	-	-	-	0.22
Growth rate (length/day)	-	-	-	0.89****	-	-0.37*	-0.41***	-	0.20	-	-	-	-	0.84
Total leaf area	-	-	-	0.75****	-	-	-0.38**	-	-	0.72****	0.13	-	-	0.85
Total biomass (<i>R_{Bio}</i>)	-	-	-	0.17	-	0.20*	-	-	-	-0.49****	-	-	0.55****	0.97

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