

## **Supplementary Information**

### **Tree species, tree genotypes and tree genotypic diversity levels affect microbe-mediated soil ecosystem functions in a subtropical forest**

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**Table S1. Experimental design.**

Tree Species (4)	Tree genotype (Seed family) (4)	Genetic diversity level (2)	Replicates (4)
<i>Alniphyllum fortunei</i>	DS2, DS101, DS104, DS108,	Monogenotypic (1 genotype) plot vs. multigenotypic (4 genotypes) plot	4
<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	D1, D2, D3, D6	Monogenotypic (1 genotype) plot vs. multigenotypic (4 genotypes) plot	4
<i>Daphniphyllum oldhamii</i>	DS5, DS18, DS19, DS21	Monogenotypic (1 genotype) plot vs. multigenotypic (4 genotypes) plot	4
<i>Idesia polycarpa</i>	D3, D5, D10, D12	Monogenotypic (1 genotype) plot vs. multigenotypic (4 genotypes) plot	4

**Table S2. Characteristics of selected trees and soil physicochemical and substrate quality.**

Tree species	Seed family	Genetic Diversity level	Mean tree height (cm)	pH	Total N (%)	Total C (%)	C:N
<i>Alniphyllum fortunei</i>	DS101	1	135	3.77	0.18	2.16	12.18
<i>Alniphyllum fortunei</i>	DS101	4	153	3.76	0.18	2.55	14.38
<i>Alniphyllum fortunei</i>	DS104	1	105.5	3.67	0.21	2.86	13.69
<i>Alniphyllum fortunei</i>	DS104	4	135.5	3.78	0.17	2.65	15.30
<i>Alniphyllum fortunei</i>	DS108	1	121.25	3.91	0.20	2.84	14.35
<i>Alniphyllum fortunei</i>	DS108	4	187.5	3.69	0.19	3.18	16.45
<i>Alniphyllum fortunei</i>	DS2	1	120.75	3.71	0.15	1.70	11.31
<i>Alniphyllum fortunei</i>	DS2	4	129.75	3.71	0.18	2.97	16.56
<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	D1	1	73	3.98	0.18	2.36	13.32
<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	D1	4	59	3.86	0.18	2.71	14.78
<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	D2	1	79.5	3.91	0.18	2.36	13.47
<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	D2	4	62	3.9	0.17	2.44	14.76
<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	D3	1	79	3.86	0.18	2.70	15.07
<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	D3	4	63.25	3.78	0.20	3.21	15.98
<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	D6	1	72.5	3.78	0.16	2.33	15.06
<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	D6	4	67.5	3.8	0.22	3.26	14.88
<i>Daphniphyllum oldhamii</i>	DS18	1	115.25	3.98	0.27	3.87	14.28
<i>Daphniphyllum oldhamii</i>	DS18	4	107	3.95	0.16	2.38	14.50
<i>Daphniphyllum oldhamii</i>	DS19	1	111.75	3.94	0.15	2.20	14.99
<i>Daphniphyllum oldhamii</i>	DS19	4	134.75	3.96	0.12	1.54	12.55
<i>Daphniphyllum oldhamii</i>	DS21	1	112.25	3.86	0.18	2.36	13.49
<i>Daphniphyllum oldhamii</i>	DS21	4	116.75	3.95	0.14	1.87	13.64
<i>Daphniphyllum oldhamii</i>	DS5	1	84	4	0.28	3.64	13.16
<i>Daphniphyllum oldhamii</i>	DS5	4	121.25	3.98	0.17	2.55	14.75
<i>Idesia polycarpa</i>	D10	1	81.25	3.87	0.19	2.11	11.35
<i>Idesia polycarpa</i>	D10	4	130.5	3.84	0.16	2.25	13.78
<i>Idesia polycarpa</i>	D12	1	169	3.85	0.15	1.70	11.58
<i>Idesia polycarpa</i>	D12	4	74	3.94	0.18	2.56	13.90
<i>Idesia polycarpa</i>	D3	1	124.25	3.83	0.21	3.01	14.28
<i>Idesia polycarpa</i>	D3	4	77.75	3.95	0.21	2.91	14.19
<i>Idesia polycarpa</i>	D5	1	93.5	3.69	0.19	2.60	13.47
<i>Idesia polycarpa</i>	D5	4	62.25	3.86	0.14	2.04	14.14

**Table S3. Leaf toughness, total phenolics concentration and tannin concentration of tree species used in this experiment.**

Species	Leaf toughness Mean (range)	Total phenolics concentration Mean (range)	Tannin concentration Mean (range)	References
<i>Alniphyllum fortunei</i>	0.20 (0.16 – 0.27)	163.90 (139.57 – 194.50)	117.07 (107.21 – 132.84)	Eichenberg et al., 2015
<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	0.60 (0.46 – 0.74)	25.63 (13.43 - 43.98)	20.84 (13.76 – 28.29)	Eichenberg et al., 2015
<i>Daphniphyllum oldhamii</i>	0.54 (0.39 – 0.70)	19.86 (11.12 – 25.86)	9.70 (6.07 – 13.16)	Eichenberg et al., 2015
<i>Idesia polycarpa</i>	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	

## **Reference**

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