

## Supplementary Material

### Assessing The Anticipated Growth Response Of Northern Conifer Populations To A Warming Climate

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**Table S1.** Summary of quadratic regression results for various climate variables in explaining height growth of black spruce and jack pine seed sources.

Climate Variable <sup>a</sup>	Black Spruce		Jack Pine	
	Number of Populations <sup>b</sup> (% in brackets)	Average Coefficient of Determination (R <sup>2</sup> )	Number of Populations <sup>b</sup> (% in brackets)	Average Coefficient of Determination (R <sup>2</sup> )
MAT	39 (87)	0.48	55 (96)	0.50
MAXTHM	36 (80)	0.35	51 (88)	0.37
MINTCM	1 (2)	0.40	0 (0)	-
XMINT	0 (0)	-	0 (0)	-
PREC	27 (60)	0.09	19 (33)	0.31
PRECCQ	34 (76)	0.07	3 (5)	0.31
PRECHQ	12 (27)	0.11	10 (17)	0.38
CMI	16 (36)	0.07	1 (2)	0.35

<sup>a</sup> MAT = mean annual temperature; MAXTHM = average daily maximum temperature of the hottest month; MINTCM = average daily minimum temperature of the coldest month; XMINT = annual extreme minimum temperature; PREC = annual precipitation; PRECCQ = precipitation of the three coldest months; PRECHQ = precipitation of the three hottest months; and CMI = climate-moisture index.

<sup>b</sup> Number of populations showing a bell-shaped response curve when planted at 10 or more test sites that spanned a gradient of MAT (>6°C) and PREC (>500 mm) conditions.

**Table S2.** White Pine height values (at age 16) for a range of mean annual temperatures (°C) at seed source origin (MAT<sub>ss</sub>) and planting site (MAT<sub>ps</sub>), calculated from a published universal response function (Table 1, Yang et al. 2015):  $Ht_{16} = -4.468 + 1.942 \cdot MAT_{ps} + 0.270 \cdot MAT_{ss} - 0.093 \cdot MAT_{ps}^2 - 0.022 \cdot MAT_{ss}^2 + 0.001 \cdot MAT_{ps} \cdot MAT_{ss}^2$ .

MAT <sub>ps</sub> \ MAT <sub>ss</sub>	2	4	6	8	10	12	14
4	2.3	2.6	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.5	2.1
6	4.3	4.7	4.9	5.0	4.9	4.8	4.5
8	5.6	6.0	6.2	6.4	6.4	6.3	6.2
10	6.1	6.5	6.8	7.0	7.2	7.2	7.1
12	5.9	6.4	6.7	7.0	7.1	7.2	7.3
14	5.0	5.4	5.8	6.1	6.4	6.6	6.7

**Table S3.** Lodgepole Pine height values (at age 20) for a range of mean annual temperatures (°C) at seed source origin ( $MAT_{ss}$ ) and planting site ( $MAT_{ps}$ ), calculated from a published universal response function (Table 2, Wang et al. 2010):

$$Ht_{20} = -20.07 + 2.006 \cdot MAT_{ps} + 0.223 \cdot MAT_{ss} - 0.294 \cdot MAT_{ps}^2 - 0.039 \cdot MAT_{ss}^2 - 0.077 \cdot MAT_{ps} \cdot MAT_{ss} + 0.031 \cdot MAT_{ps}^2 \cdot MAT_{ss} - 0.00093 \cdot MAT_{ps}^2 \cdot MAT_{ss}^2 + 15.792 \cdot LAHM_{ps} - 2.995 \cdot LAHM_{ps}^2 + 2.061 \cdot LAHM_{ss} - 0.294 \cdot LAHM_{ss}^2 + 0.021 \cdot SWLNG_{ss} - 0.000058 \cdot SWLNG_{ss}^2$$

where LAHM<sub>ps</sub> is a log transformed heat-moisture index at the planting site (set at 2.59 for the current work), LAHM<sub>ss</sub> is a log transformed heat-moisture index at the seed source origin (set at 2.71 for the current work), and SWLNG<sub>ss</sub> is a transformation of seed source latitude and longitude (set at 285.5 for the current work). See Wang et al. (2010) for further details.

$MAT_{ps}$ ↓ \ $MAT_{ss}$ →	-2	0	2	4	6	8
-2	-0.9	0.2	1.1	1.6	1.7	1.5
0	4.8	5.4	5.7	5.7	5.4	4.7
2	7.7	8.3	8.5	8.4	7.9	7.1
4	7.7	8.8	9.4	9.5	9.3	8.6
6	4.8	6.9	8.3	9.2	9.5	9.3
8	-0.9	2.7	5.5	7.5	8.7	9.1

**Figure S1.** Response functions for 39 black spruce populations that exhibited a bell-shaped growth response across a mean annual temperature (MAT) gradient. The dashed vertical line indicates MAT at population origin.

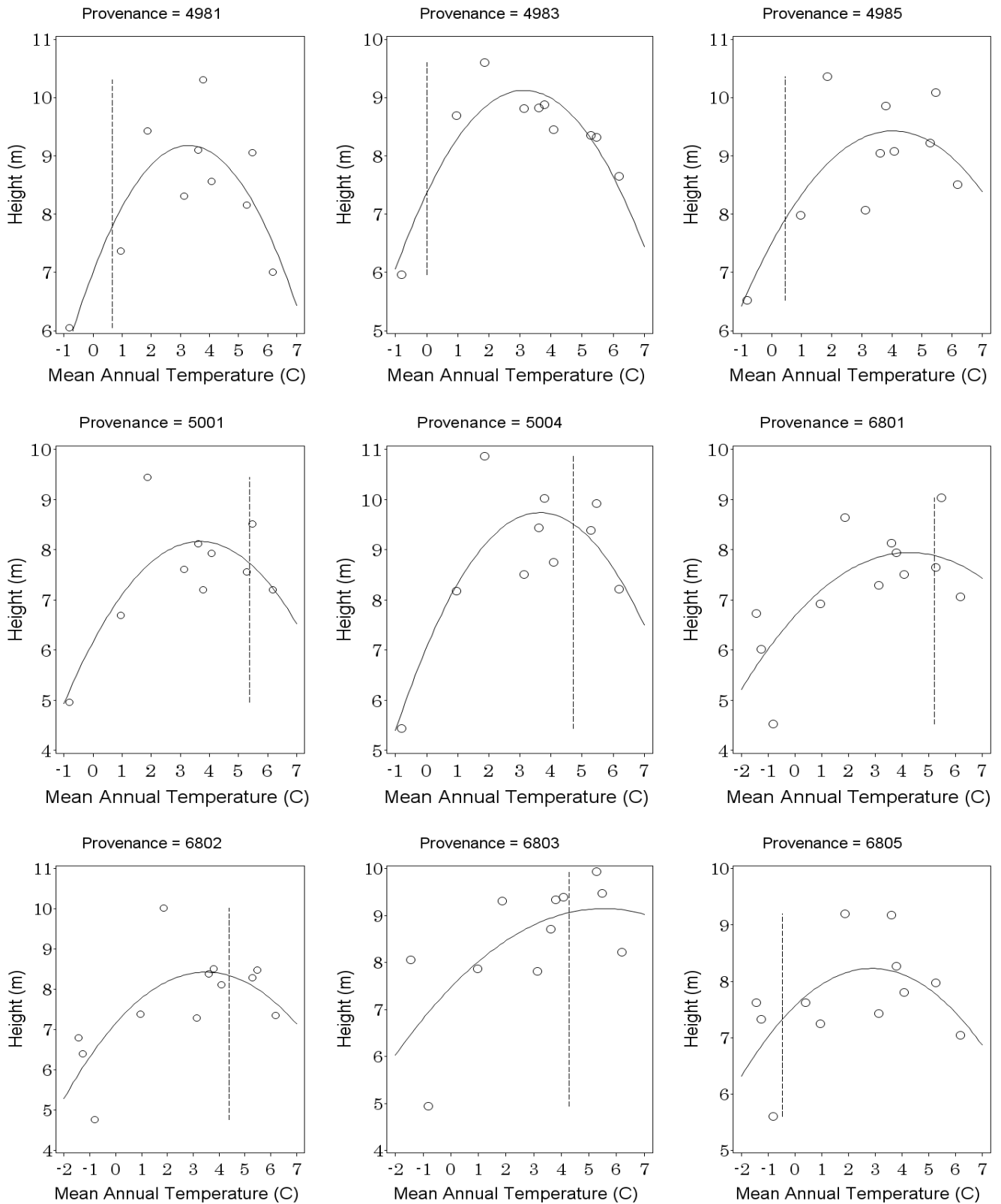


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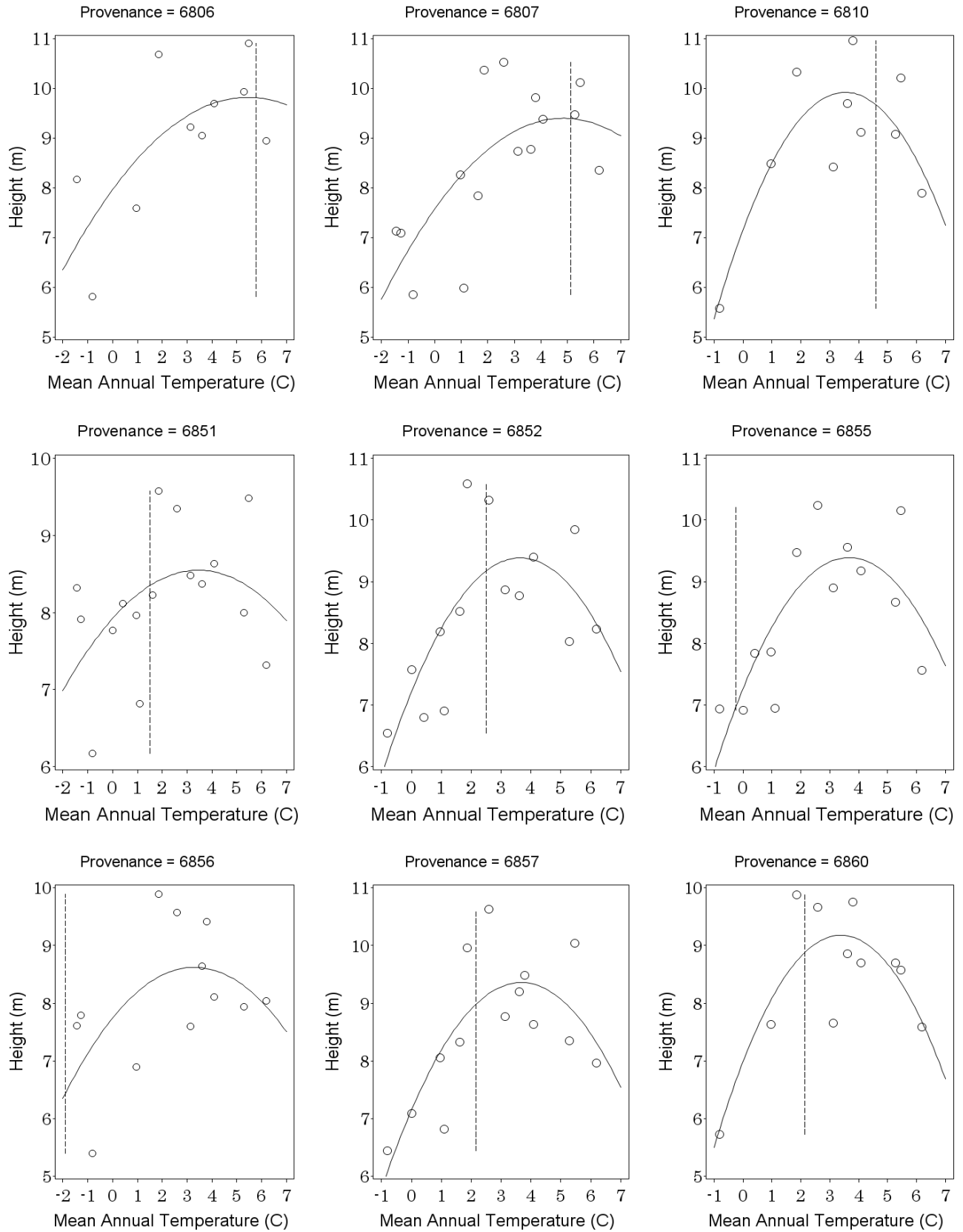


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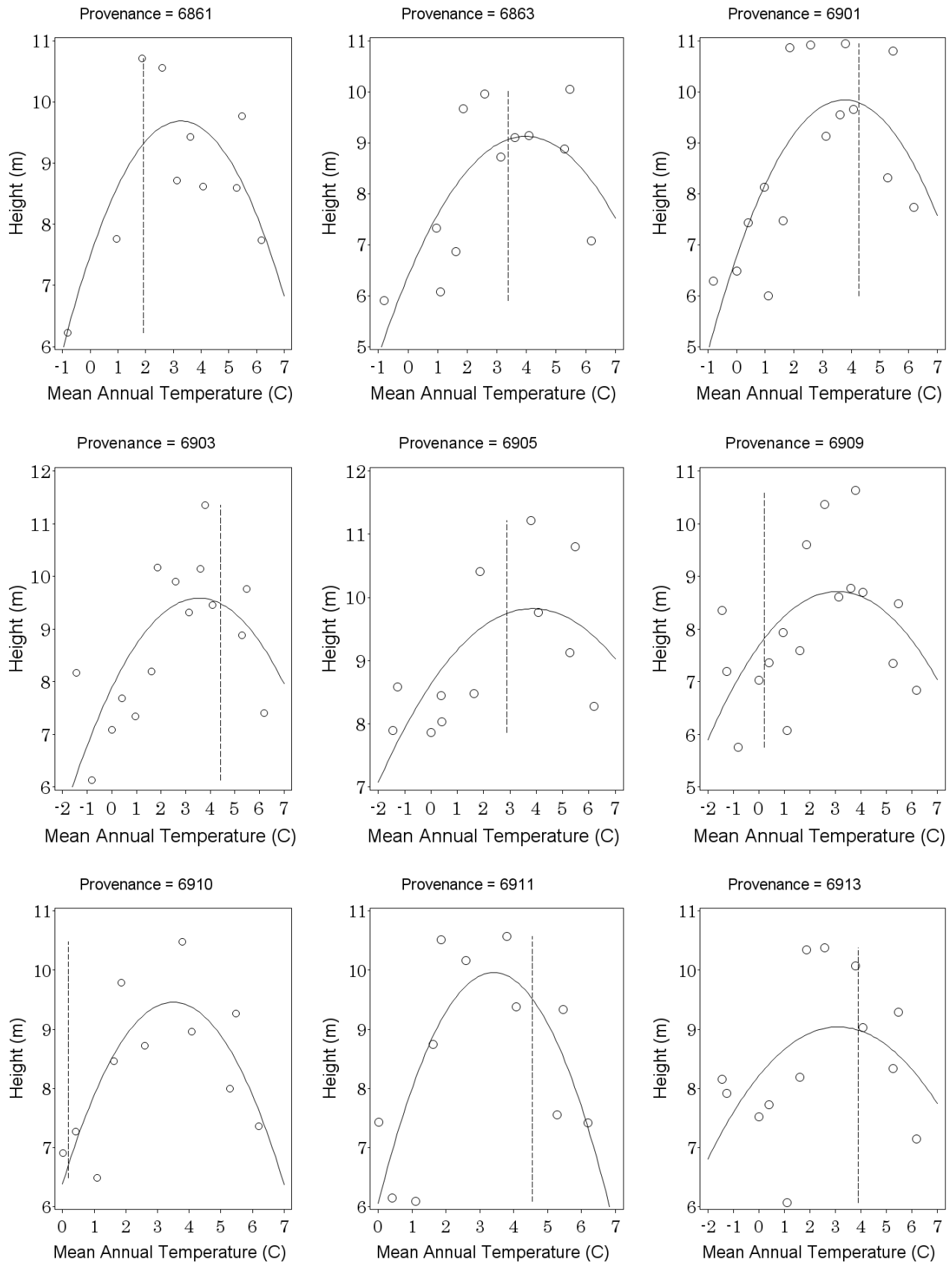


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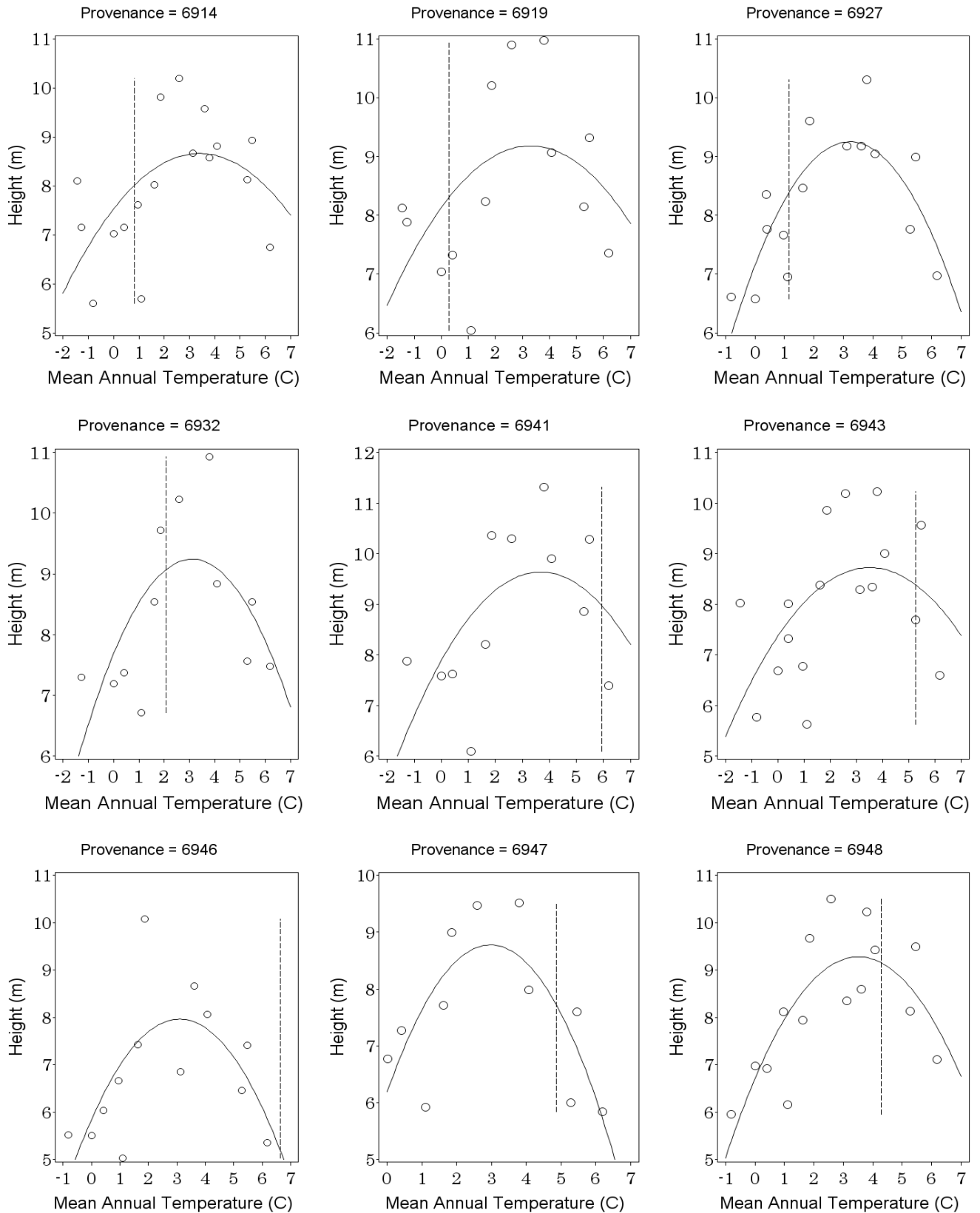
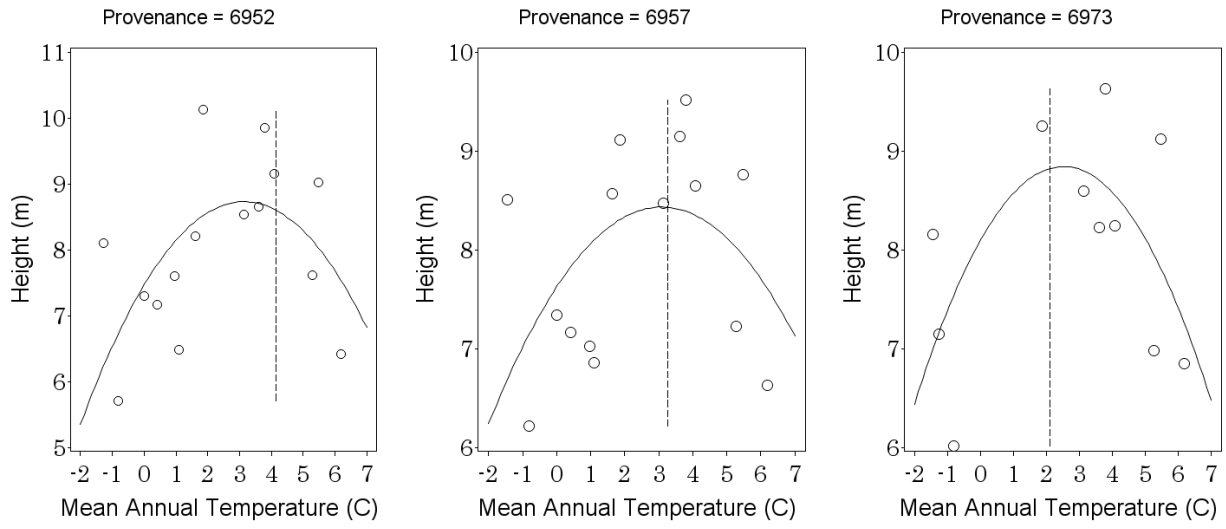


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**Figure S2.** Response functions for 55 jack pine populations that exhibited a bell-shaped growth response across a mean annual temperature (MAT) gradient. The dashed vertical line indicates MAT at population origin.

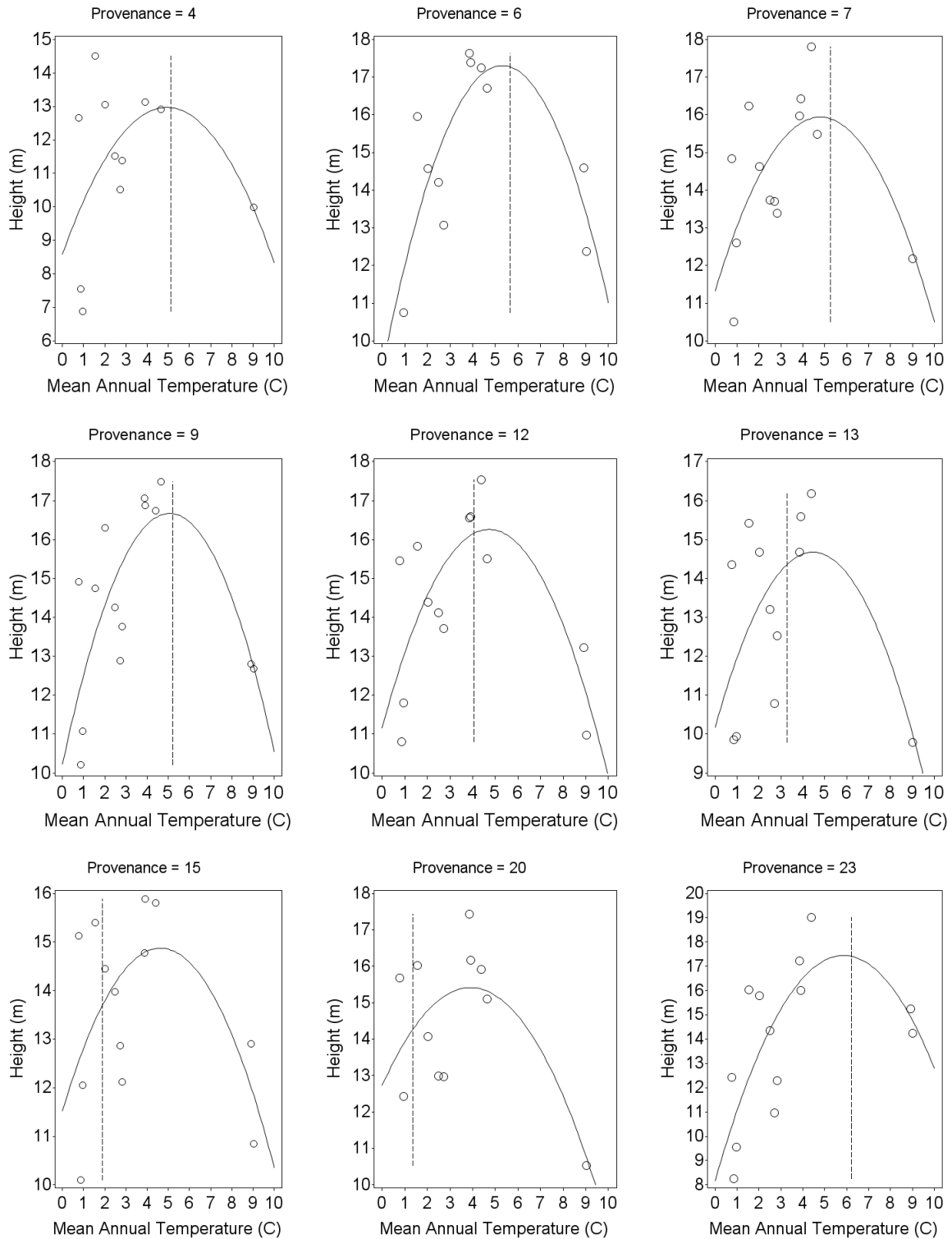




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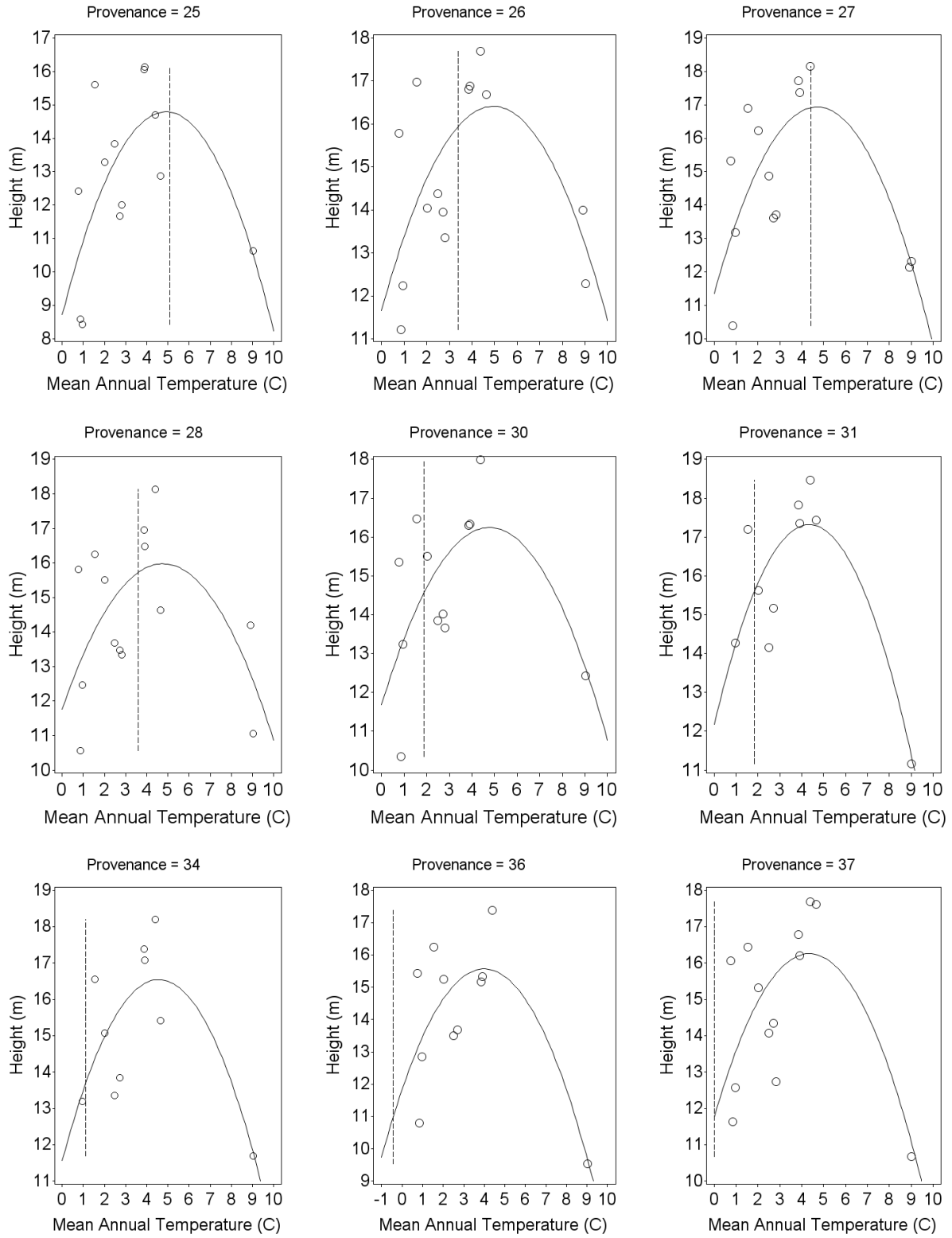


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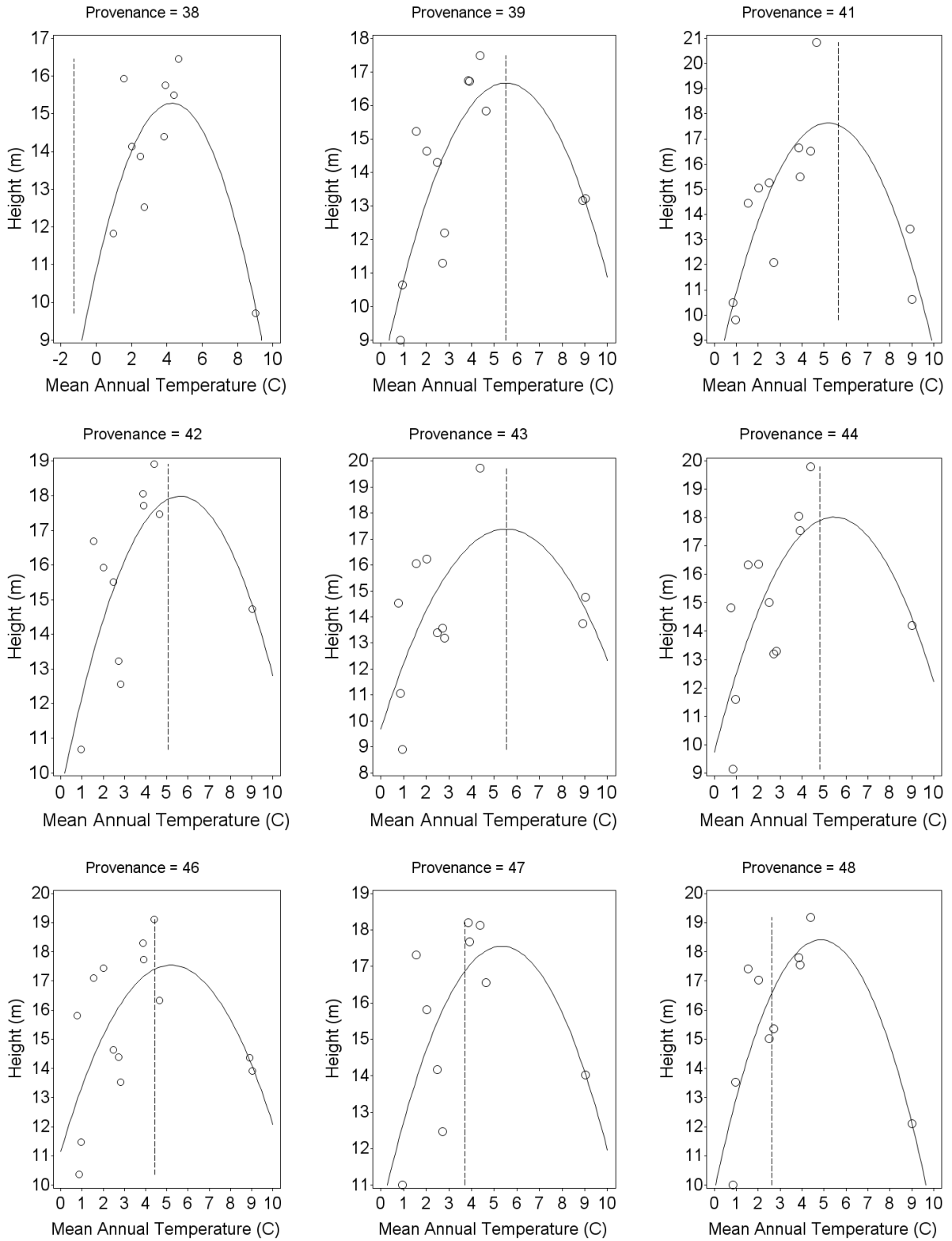


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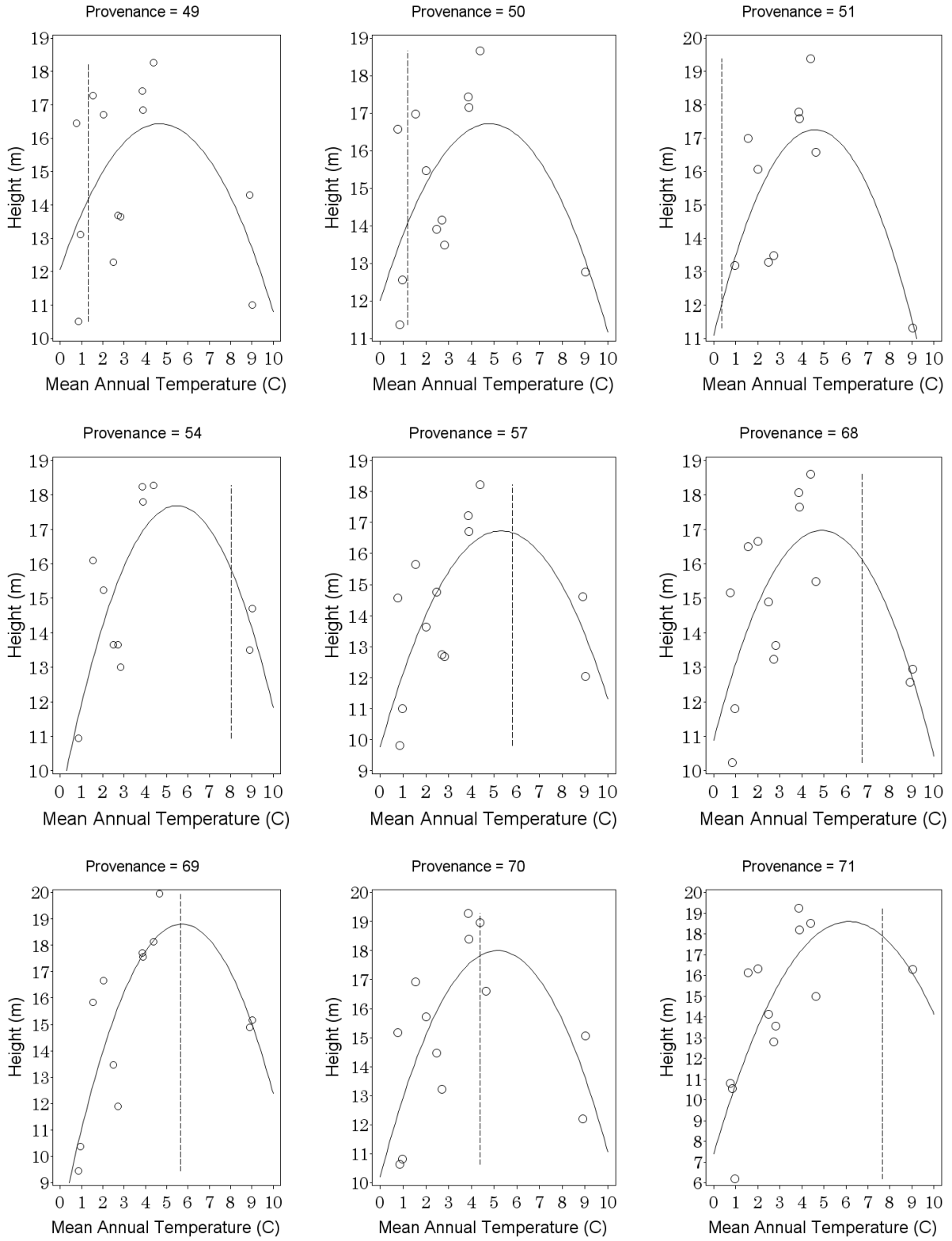


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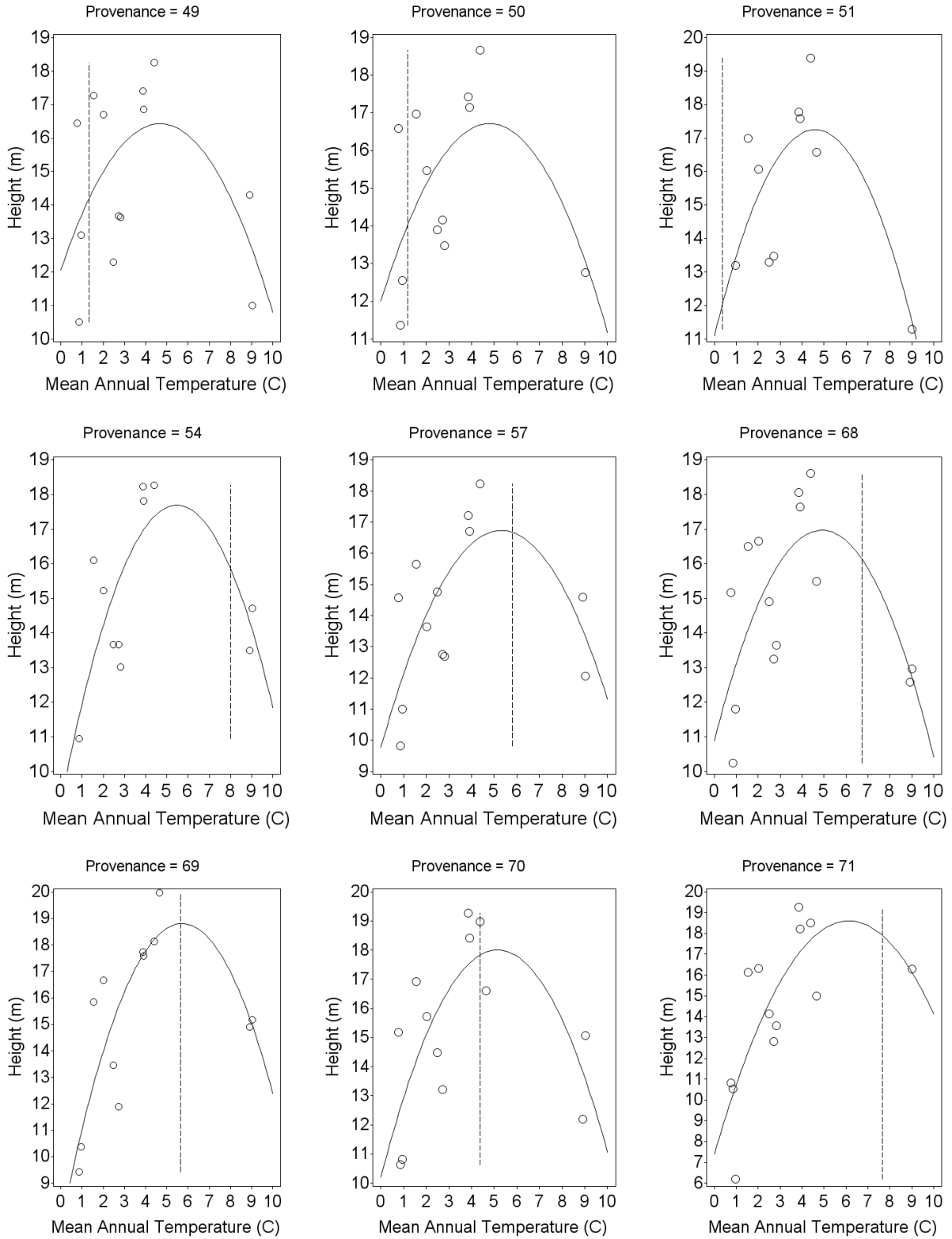


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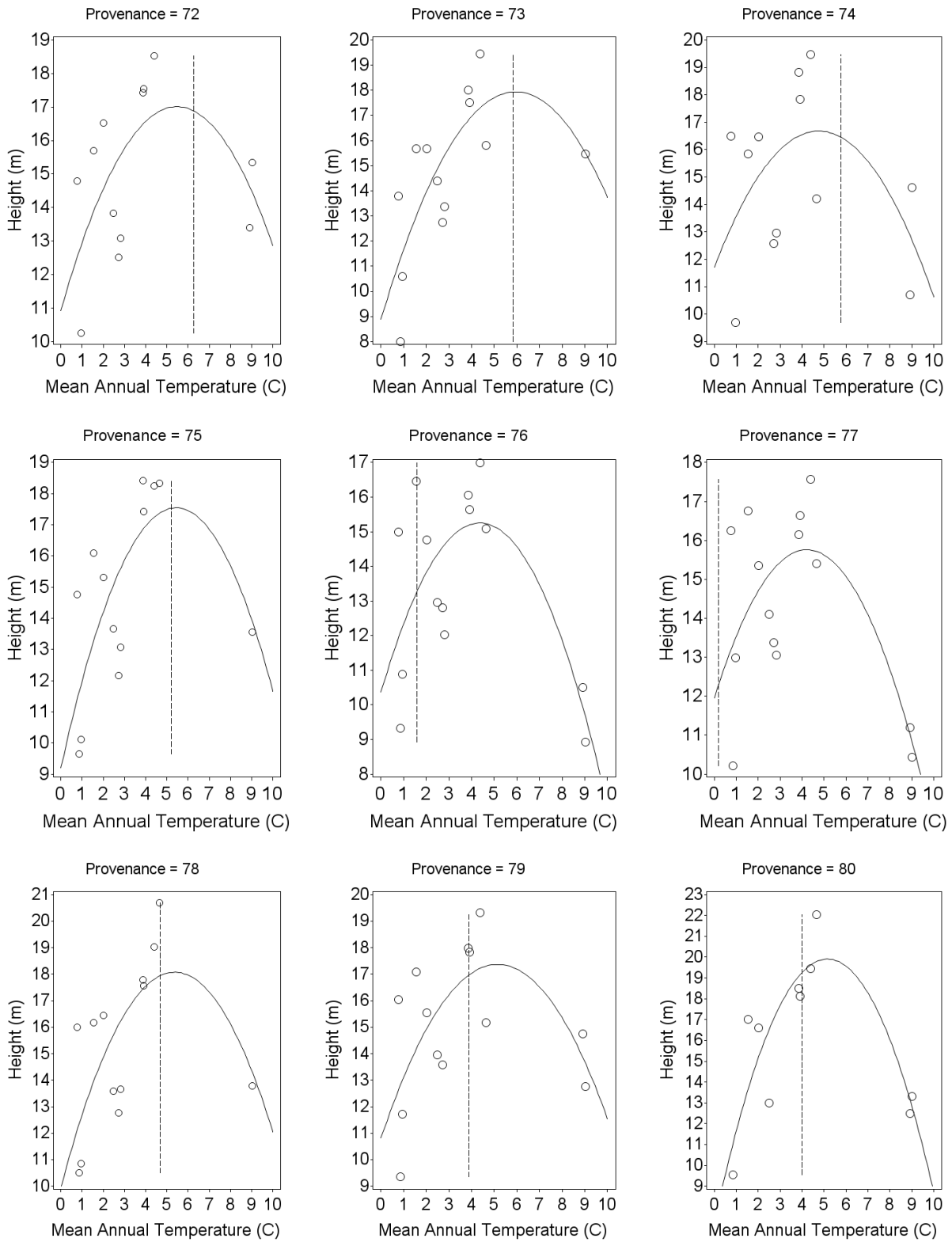


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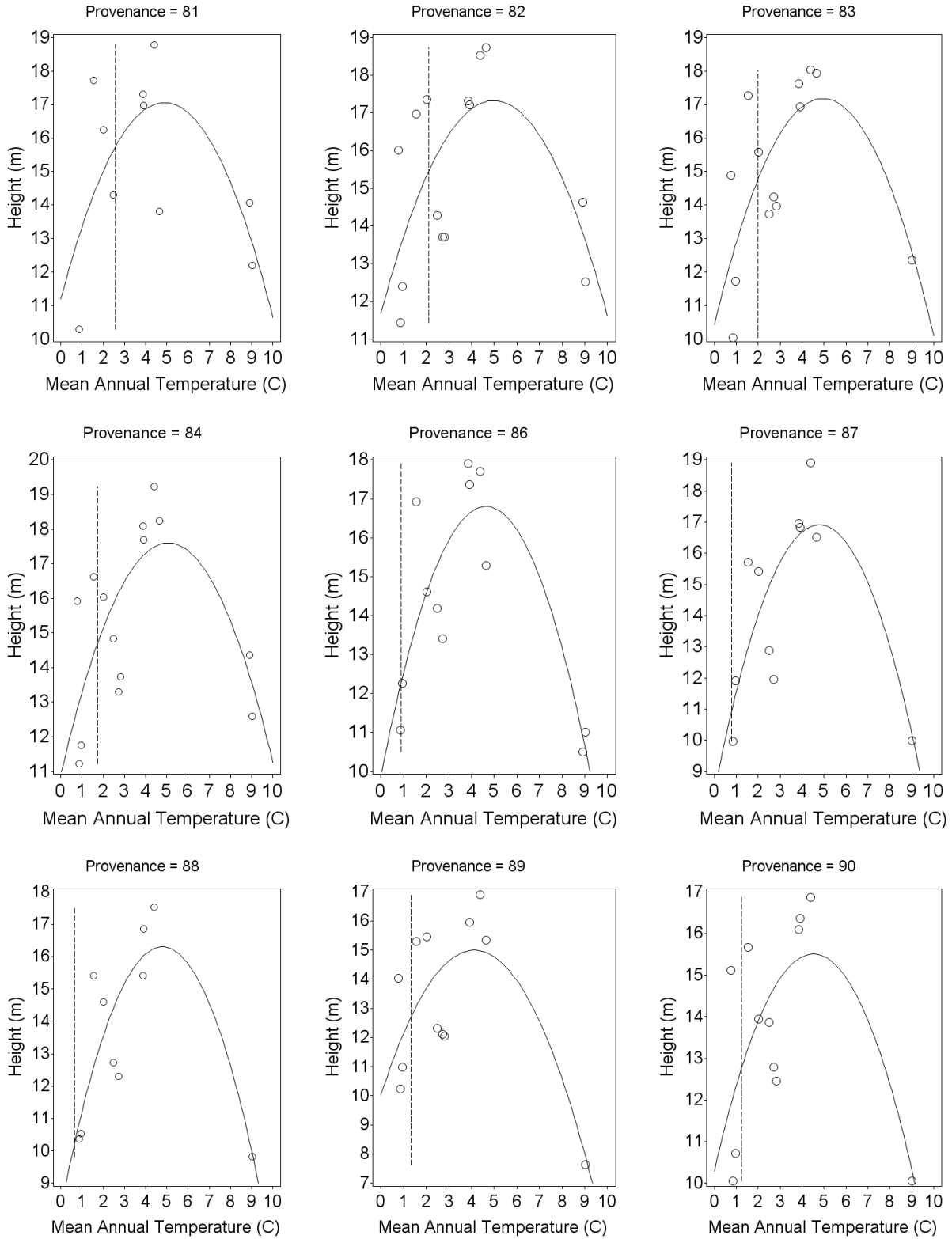


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