

Table S1 Plant genotypes grown in common garden experiment, sample types collected and GenBank accession numbers for chloroplast sequences of species or congeneric representative used to construct plant phylogeny.

| Maize Line | Species | Common Name | Days to flowering | Family | Sub-family | Rhizosphere | | | matK /rbcL GenBank accession: | Germplasm source |
|------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|---------|-------------------------------|-------------------|---|---------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | | | Inorganic Enzymes | N | Bacterial community | | |
| 75-062 | <i>Zea mays</i> ssp. <i>mays</i> | | 72 | Poaceae | Panicoideae/ Andropogoneae | ■ | ■ | ■ | | Courtesy of Margaret Smith |
| B73 | " | | 79 | " | " | ■ | ■ | ■ | X86563.2/ X86563.2 | Courtesy of Ed Buckler |
| B97 | " | | 79 | " | " | ■ | ■ | ■ | | USDA GRIN : PI 564682 |
| H99 | " | | 72 | " | " | ■ | ■ | ■ | | USDA GRIN : PI 587129 |
| Hp301 | " | | 79 | " | " | ■ | ■ | ■ | | USDA GRIN : PI 587131 |
| Il14H | " | | 72 | " | " | ■ | ■ | ■ | | USDA GRIN : Ames 27118 |
| Ki3 | " | | 88 | " | " | ■ | | ■ | | USDA GRIN : Ames 27123 |
| Mo18W | " | | 88 | " | " | ■ | | ■ | | USDA GRIN : PI 550441 |
| Ms71 | " | | 72 | " | " | ■ | ■ | ■ | | USDA GRIN : PI 587137 |
| Oh7B | " | | 79 | " | " | ■ | ■ | ■ | | USDA GRIN : Ames 19323 |
| Tx303 | " | | 88 | " | " | ■ | | ■ | | USDA GRIN : Ames 19327 |

Table S1 cont. Plant genotypes grown in common garden experiment, sample types collected and GenBank accession numbers for chloroplast sequences of species or congeneric representative used to construct plant phylogeny.

| Species Code | Species | Common Name | Days to Flowering | Family | Sub-Family | Enzymes | Inorganic N | Bacterial community | Chloroplast matK /rbcL GenBank accession: | Germplasm source |
|--------------|---|---------------------|-------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|---------|-------------|---------------------|---|---|
| ERATE | <i>Eragrostis tef</i> | Teff (Tiffany) | 72 | Poaceae | Chloridoideae/ Eragrostideae | ■ | ■ | ■ | HE586095.1 / HE577859.1 | Hancock Seed Co. |
| ELCOR | <i>Eleusine coracana</i> | Finger millet | 88 | Poaceae | Chloridoideae/ Cynodontae | ■ | | ■ | HQ180864.1/ HQ182427.1 | USDA Grin: PI 427233 |
| SORBI | <i>Sorghum bicolor</i> ssp <i>bicolor</i> | Grain sorghum | 84 | Poaceae | Panicoideae/ Andropogoneae | ■ | | ■ | EF115542.1/ AM849341.1 | King's Agri-Seed |
| SORSUD | <i>Sorghum x drummondii</i> | Sudangrass | 84 | Poaceae | Panicoideae/ Andropogoneae | ■ | | ■ | | Johnny's Selected Seeds |
| ECHCG | <i>Echinochloa crus-galli</i> | Barnyard Grass | 53 | Poaceae | Panicoideae/ Paniceae/ Boivinellinae | ■ | ■ | ■ | 966202092/ AM887871.1 | Aurora, NY |
| SETFA | <i>Setaria faberii</i> | Giant foxtail | 61 | Poaceae | Panicoideae/ Paniceae/ Cenchrinae | ■ | ■ | ■ | KF163774.1/ KF163540.1 | Aurora, NY |
| ABUTH | <i>Abutilon theophrasti</i> | Velvetleaf | 57 | Malvaceae | Malvoideae | ■ | ■ | ■ | HQ696683.1/ HM849734.1 | Aurora |
| HELAN | <i>Helianthus annuus</i> | Sunflower (Mammoth) | 84 | Asteraceae | Astroideae | ■ | | ■ | AY215805.1/ AF097517.1 | Livingston Seed Co. |
| FAGES | <i>Fagopyrum esculentum</i> | Buckwheat | 36 | Polygonaceae | Polygonoideae | ■ | ■ | ■ | JF829981.1/ D86285.1 | Lakeview Organic Grain variety not stated |
| AMAPO | <i>Amaranthus powellii</i> | Pigweed | 53 | Amaranthaceae | Amaranthoideae | ■ | ■ | ■ | 169146456/ KJ773261.1 | Aurora, NY |
| GLYMA | <i>Glycine max</i> | Soybean cv Sheyenne | 57 | Fabaceae | Faboideae | ■ | ■ | ■ | AF142700.1/ Z95552.1 | Lakeview Organic Grain |

Table S2 Inorganic N concentration in bare soil and rhizosphere samples at harvest.

| Plant | DAP | Inorganic N (mg kg soil^{-1}) [*] | |
|------------------------|-----|---|---------------------------|
| | | 0 kg N ha^{-1} | 95 kg N ha^{-1} |
| Bare soil | 36 | 9.62 (0.91) | 14.48 (1.75) |
| Bare soil | 53 | 9.82 (0.48) | 30.01 (2.37) |
| Bare soil | 57 | 10.92 (0.87) | 27.44 (4.69) |
| Bare soil | 61 | 12.92 (0.67) | 22.29 (1.39) |
| Bare soil | 72 | 11.47 (1.55) | 19.38 (1.29) |
| Bare soil | 79 | 10.79 (0.63) | 19.23 (1.18) |
| Bare soil | 84 | -- | -- |
| Bare soil | 88 | -- | -- |
| <i>F. esculentum</i> | 36 | 11.12 (1.11) | 20.41 (5.36) |
| <i>A. powellii</i> | 53 | 5.43 (0.41) | 12.13 (2.05) |
| <i>E. crus-galli</i> | 53 | 10.4 (4.02) | 12.73 (6.32) ^a |
| <i>A. theophrasti</i> | 57 | 13.55 (3.19) | 26.13 (2.08) |
| <i>G. max</i> | 57 | 11.26 (1.56) | 19.42 (2.16) |
| <i>S. faberi</i> | 61 | 6.24 (0.38) | 6.67 (0.44) |
| 75-062 | 72 | 5.88 (0.91) | 8.1 (1.86) |
| <i>E. tef</i> | 72 | 6.02 (1.05) | 7.36 (2.1) |
| H99 | 72 | -- | -- |
| II14H | 72 | -- | -- |
| MS71 | 72 | 8.99 (2.15) | 15.7 (3.52) |
| B73 | 79 | -- | -- |
| B97 | 79 | 5.55 (0.39) | 6.25 (0.55) |
| Hp301 | 79 | -- | -- |
| Oh7B | 79 | 6.31 (0.61) | 7.48 (0.51) |
| <i>H. annuus</i> | 84 | -- | -- |
| <i>S. bicolor</i> | 84 | -- | -- |
| <i>S. x drummondii</i> | 84 | -- | -- |
| <i>E. coracana</i> | 88 | -- | -- |
| Ki3 | 88 | -- | -- |
| Mo18 | 88 | -- | -- |
| Tx303 | 88 | -- | -- |

* Values are mean (\pm s.e.m.)

-- Indicates inorganic N samples not collected

^a One outlier (55.33 mg kg soil^{-1}) removed in table and all inorganic N analyses

Table S3 Analysis of variance testing main effects of plant genotype, nitrogen (N) treatment (0, 95 kg N ha⁻¹) and interaction on plant growth metrics*

| | Interspecific Comparisons | | | | Intraspecific comparisons | | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------|--------|-------|-----------------|---------------------------|--------|-------|-----------------|
| | SS | DF | F | p | SS | DF | F | p |
| Biomass | | | | | | | | |
| Genotype | 6.56 | 11, 33 | 11.24 | <0.01 | 1.30 | 10, 30 | 3.99 | <0.01 |
| N treatment | 0.55 | 1, 36 | 10.42 | <0.01 | 0.17 | 1, 33 | 5.30 | 0.03 |
| Genotype x Treatment | 0.89 | 11, 36 | 1.52 | 0.17 | 0.27 | 10, 33 | 0.85 | 0.58 |
| N uptake | | | | | | | | |
| Genotype | 4.00 | 11, 33 | 5.29 | <0.01 | 0.88 | 10, 30 | 1.38 | 0.24 |
| N treatment | 2.39 | 1, 36 | 33.99 | <0.01 | 1.54 | 1, 33 | 24.22 | <0.01 |
| Genotype x Treatment | 1.19 | 11, 36 | 1.57 | 0.15 | 0.42 | 10, 33 | 0.65 | 0.76 |
| NUE | | | | | | | | |
| Genotype | 2.63 | 11, 33 | 33 | <0.01 | 1.40 | 10, 30 | 10.67 | <0.01 |
| N treatment | 0.64 | 1, 36 | 36 | <0.01 | 0.66 | 1, 33 | 50.32 | <0.01 |
| Genotype x Treatment | 0.36 | 11, 36 | 36 | 0.03 | 0.24 | 10, 33 | 1.83 | 0.09 |

*Growth metrics of plant biomass, nitrogen uptake and nitrogen use efficiency (NUE: g C g N⁻¹) are corrected for harvest date by using residuals from best fit-model of plant growth by days after planting (see figure S2). P-values < 0.05 are highlighted in bold.

Table S4 Analysis of variance testing main effects of sample type (rhizosphere vs bare soil), nitrogen (N) treatment (0, 95 kg N ha⁻¹) and interactions on potential activity of extracellular beta-xylosidase (BX), cellobiohydrolase (CB), leucine aminopeptidase (LAP) and N-acetyl-glucosaminidase (NAG).

| | SS | DF | F | p |
|-----------------|--------|--------|-------|-----------------|
| BX | | | | |
| Sample type | 224.5 | 1, 49 | 15.06 | <0.01 |
| N treatment | 55.8 | 1, 146 | 3.74 | 0.05 |
| S x N | 96.3 | 1, 146 | 6.46 | 0.01 |
| CB | | | | |
| Sample type | 279.9 | 1, 43 | 20.00 | <0.01 |
| N treatment | 73.7 | 1, 147 | 5.26 | 0.02 |
| S x N | 145.9 | 1, 147 | 10.43 | <0.01 |
| LAP | | | | |
| Sample type | 1958.8 | 1, 47 | 4.65 | 0.04 |
| N treatment | 3248 | 1, 147 | 7.70 | <0.01 |
| S x N | 9.3 | 1, 147 | 0.02 | 0.88 |
| NAG | | | | |
| Sample type | 59.6 | 1, 448 | 9.25 | <0.01 |
| N fertilization | 8.3 | 1, 147 | 1.28 | 0.26 |
| S x N | 41.9 | 1, 147 | 6.50 | 0.01 |

P-values < 0.05 are highlighted in bold.

Table S5 Analysis of covariance testing correlation between inorganic nitrogen (N) concentration in the rhizosphere and potential activity of extracellular beta-xylosidase (BX), cellobiohydrolase (CB), leucine aminopeptidase (LAP) and N-acetyl-glucosaminidase (NAG).

| | | SS | DF | F | p | R ² _m |
|-----|--------------------------|------|-------|-------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| BX | Inorganic N ^a | 211 | 1, 77 | 10.45 | <0.01 | .10 |
| CB | Inorganic N | 225 | 1, 79 | 9.92 | <0.01 | .12 |
| LAP | Inorganic N | 6155 | 1, 69 | 19.70 | <0.01 | .11 |
| NAG | Inorganic N | 81 | 1, 77 | 12.96 | <0.01 | .14 |

* Marginal R² from a model testing inorganic N concentration as a fixed effect and plant genotype, rep and main plot as random effects. P-values < 0.05 are highlighted in bold.

^aonly samples for which inorganic N measured (Table S1) are included in analysis.

Table S6: Analysis of variance testing fixed effects of plant genotype and nitrogen (N) fertilization (0, 95 kg N ha⁻¹) on potential activity of extracellular beta-xylosidase (BX), cellobiohydrolase (CB), leucine aminopeptidase (LAP) and N-acetyl-glucosaminidase (NAG) in rhizosphere samples.

| | SS | DF | F | p |
|--------------------------|-------|--------|-------|-----------------|
| BX | | | | |
| Genotype | 1.00 | 10, 30 | 3.75 | <0.01 |
| N treatment ^a | 0.34 | 1, 32 | 12.68 | <0.01 |
| P x N | 0.33 | 10, 31 | 1.24 | 0.31 |
| CB | | | | |
| Genotype | 824 | 10, 29 | 4.04 | <0.01 |
| N treatment | 288 | 1, 32 | 14.12 | <0.01 |
| P x N | 190 | 10, 32 | 0.93 | 0.52 |
| LAP | | | | |
| Genotype | 20710 | 10, 30 | 6.02 | <0.01 |
| N treatment | 4327 | 1, 32 | 12.58 | <0.01 |
| P x N | 5481 | 10, 31 | 1.59 | 0.15 |
| NAG | | | | |
| Genotype | 0.98 | 10, 30 | 3.81 | <0.01 |
| N treatment | 0.99 | 1, 32 | 38.42 | <0.01 |
| P x N | 0.20 | 10, 32 | 0.78 | 0.64 |

^a Only samples for which inorganic N measured (Table S1) are included in analysis. P-values < 0.05 highlighted in bold.

Table S7: Phylum statistics of rhizosphere bacterial community composition at OTU level and aggregated by phylum.

| Phylum | # OTU responders* | OTU Relative Abundance | | | Phylum Relative Abundance | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|----------|----------|---------------------------|----------|----------|
| | | Min | Median | Max | Min | Median | Max |
| Proteobacteria | 507 | 0 | 7.92E-06 | 1.55E-03 | 1.40E-01 | 2.36E-01 | 4.13E-01 |
| Bacteroidetes | 206 | 0 | 0.00E+00 | 8.05E-04 | 1.62E-02 | 4.07E-02 | 7.40E-02 |
| Actinobacteria | 174 | 0 | 5.53E-05 | 2.95E-03 | 1.00E-01 | 1.60E-01 | 3.19E-01 |
| Chloroflexi | 158 | 0 | 1.83E-05 | 7.83E-04 | 1.75E-02 | 4.47E-02 | 9.11E-02 |
| Planctomycetes | 144 | 0 | 0.00E+00 | 2.92E-04 | 5.08E-03 | 1.17E-02 | 3.62E-02 |
| Verrucomicrobia | 93 | 0 | 8.95E-06 | 9.69E-04 | 1.07E-02 | 3.03E-02 | 4.25E-02 |
| Firmicutes | 58 | 0 | 0.00E+00 | 2.79E-03 | 2.37E-03 | 1.30E-02 | 9.87E-02 |
| Acidobacteria | 56 | 0 | 3.89E-05 | 9.63E-04 | 9.35E-03 | 1.95E-02 | 5.13E-02 |
| Gemmatimonadetes | 38 | 0 | 1.17E-05 | 4.00E-04 | 1.53E-03 | 4.81E-03 | 1.17E-02 |
| Cyanobacteria | 24 | 0 | 0.00E+00 | 6.77E-04 | 7.58E-04 | 2.48E-03 | 1.25E-02 |
| Armatimonadetes | 21 | 0 | 0.00E+00 | 2.72E-04 | 1.27E-03 | 2.10E-03 | 3.68E-03 |
| Fibrobacteres | 8 | 0 | 0.00E+00 | 4.76E-04 | 2.21E-05 | 5.45E-04 | 3.52E-03 |
| Spirochaetes | 5 | 0 | 0.00E+00 | 1.11E-03 | 1.89E-04 | 5.24E-04 | 5.52E-03 |
| Candidate_division_BRC1 | 3 | 0 | 0.00E+00 | 2.98E-04 | 2.32E-05 | 8.57E-05 | 8.63E-04 |
| Elusimicrobia | 3 | 0 | 0.00E+00 | 2.02E-04 | 1.26E-05 | 1.38E-04 | 4.71E-04 |
| Chlorobi | 2 | 0 | 5.79E-06 | 2.23E-04 | 2.53E-05 | 1.04E-04 | 3.17E-04 |
| Nitrospirae | 2 | 0 | 0.00E+00 | 4.63E-04 | 0.00E+00 | 1.27E-04 | 9.27E-04 |
| TM6 | 2 | 0 | 0.00E+00 | 8.77E-05 | 0.00E+00 | 3.17E-05 | 1.73E-04 |
| Candidate_division_OD1 | 1 | 0 | 0.00E+00 | 1.23E-04 | 0.00E+00 | 3.79E-05 | 1.23E-04 |
| Deinococcus-Thermus | 1 | 0 | 0.00E+00 | 3.59E-04 | 0.00E+00 | 4.31E-05 | 3.59E-04 |

* Rhizosphere responders are identified in DESeq2 in comparison of samples from each genotype with bare soil control (\log_2 -fold change > 0.5 , BH adjusted $p < 0.05$). Metrics represent minimum, median and max relative abundance in samples aggregated by genotype.

Table S8: Permutational multiple analysis of variance testing main effects of plant genotype and species identity and nitrogen (N) treatment (0, 95 kg N ha⁻¹) on rhizosphere bacterial community beta-diversity (weighted-UniFrac) on each sampling date.

| Factor | SS | DF | F | R ² | p* | Factor | SS | DF | F | R ² | p* |
|---------------|------|----|------|----------------|-----------------|-----------|------|----|------|----------------|-----------------|
| 53 DAP | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Genotype | 0.05 | 1 | 1.92 | 0.13 | 0.09 | Genotype | 0.11 | 3 | 1.77 | 0.15 | <0.01 |
| Treatment | 0.03 | 1 | 1.06 | 0.08 | 0.36 | Treatment | 0.04 | 1 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.02 |
| Residuals | 0.26 | 13 | | 0.79 | | Residuals | 0.54 | 27 | | 0.78 | |
| 57 DAP | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Genotype | 0.12 | 1 | 3.46 | 0.20 | <0.01 | Genotype | 0.14 | 2 | 4.36 | 0.28 | <0.01 |
| Treatment | 0.03 | 1 | 0.94 | 0.05 | 0.43 | Treatment | 0.03 | 1 | 2.01 | 0.07 | 0.07 |
| Residuals | 0.46 | 13 | | 0.75 | | Residuals | 0.33 | 20 | | 0.65 | |
| 72 DAP | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Genotype | 0.44 | 4 | 6.58 | 0.43 | <0.01 | Genotype | 0.29 | 3 | 6.53 | 0.41 | <0.01 |
| Treatment | 0.02 | 1 | 0.92 | 0.02 | 0.38 | Treatment | 0.02 | 1 | 1.56 | 0.03 | 0.14 |
| Residuals | 0.57 | 34 | | 0.55 | | Residuals | 0.40 | 27 | | 0.56 | |
| 88 DAP | | | | | | | | | | | |

* p-values based on 999 permutations; p-values < 0.05 highlighted in bold. For reference, genotypes harvested on each date include 53: *E. crus-gali* and *A. powelli*; 57: *A. theophrast* and *G. max*; 72: *E. tef*, 75-062, H99, Ms71, and Il14H; 79: B73, B97, Hp301 and Oh7B; 84: *S. bicolor*, *S. x drummondii* and *H. annuus*; 88: Ki3, Mo18W, Tx303. Data from day 36 and 61 not shown as only one genotype was sampled on each date.

Table S9 Permutation tests for marginal effects (Type III) of terms in constrained analysis of principal coordinates relating plant growth characteristics to rhizosphere bacterial community composition.

| Factor | DF | SS | F | p* |
|------------------------|------|------|------|-----------------|
| Days after planting | 1,41 | 0.13 | 4.71 | <0.01 |
| Seed size ^a | 1,41 | 0.07 | 2.52 | 0.02 |
| NUE ^b | 1,41 | 0.11 | 3.73 | <0.01 |
| N uptake ^c | 1,41 | 0.10 | 3.35 | <0.01 |

* P-values based on 999 permutations

^a Log-transformed

^{b,c} Plant nitrogen use efficiency (NUE: g C g N⁻¹) and total nitrogen (N) uptake corrected for days after planting using residuals from fit line in Figure S1.