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**Table S1.** Pearson correlation analysis between soil physicochemical variables and AOA or AOB abundance or nitrification activity.

	pH	SOC	DOC	TN	DON	$\text{NH}_4^+$ -N	$\text{NO}_3^-$ -N	AP	AK	$\text{DC}_o$
AOA <i>amoA</i>	<b>-0.565**</b>	-0.228	-0.177	-0.356	0.274	0.208	<b>0.572**</b>	-0.096	<b>-0.575**</b>	0.261
AOB <i>amoA</i>	<b>0.773***</b>	-0.121	-0.124	0.016	<b>-0.469*</b>	0.031	<b>-0.638**</b>	-0.165	<b>0.548*</b>	0.154
Nitrification activity	<b>0.942***</b>	-0.192	-0.088	-0.103	<b>-0.449*</b>	0.093	<b>-0.653**</b>	-0.111	0.313	0.096

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**Table S2.** Pearson correlation analysis between soil physicochemical variables and relative abundance of AOA clades (>0.1%).

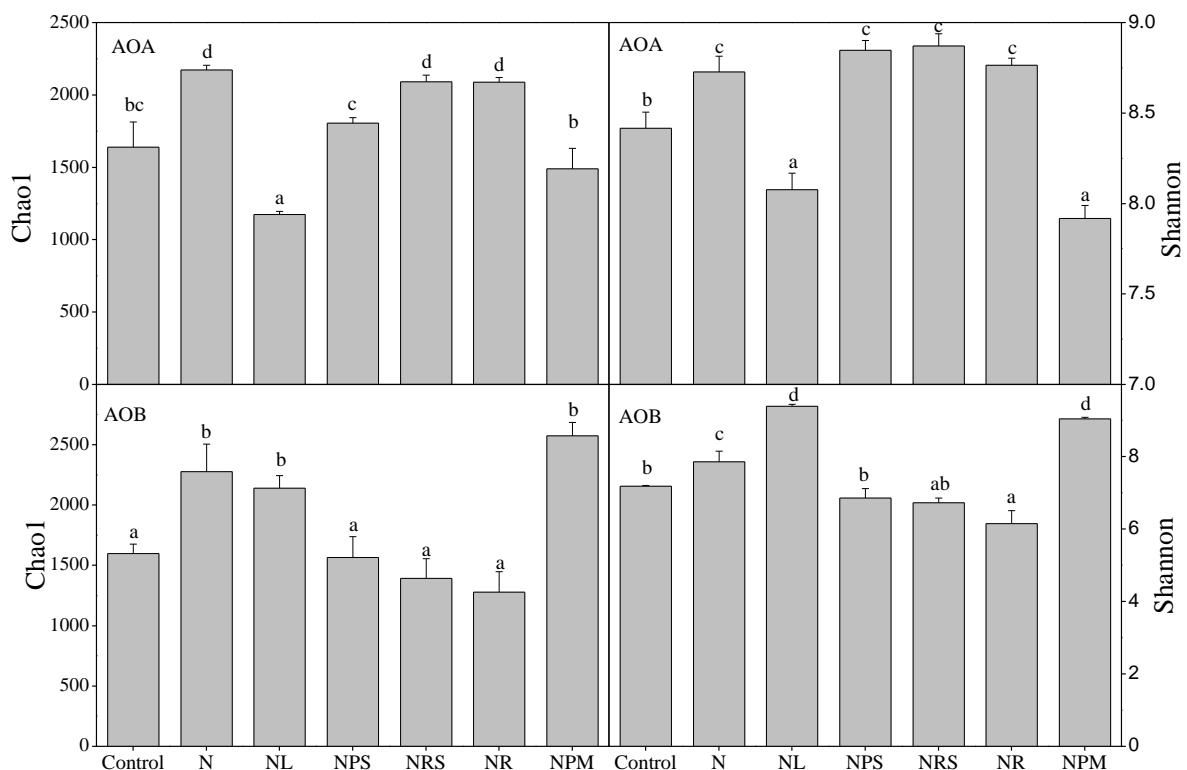
	pH	SOC	DOC	TN	DON	NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> -N	NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> -N	AP	AK	DC <sub>o</sub>
Clade A	<b>0.863***</b>	<b>0.468*</b>	<b>0.533*</b>	0.354	<b>-0.465*</b>	-0.008	<b>-0.500*</b>	<b>0.592**</b>	0.391	<b>-0.575**</b>
Clade B1	<b>-0.790***</b>	<b>-0.473*</b>	<b>-0.458*</b>	<b>-0.454*</b>	<b>0.436*</b>	0.052	<b>0.451*</b>	<b>-0.537*</b>	<b>-0.485*</b>	<b>0.588**</b>
Clade B2	-0.348	0.160	-0.124	0.412	-0.024	-0.022	-0.007	-0.040	0.301	-0.128
Clade B3	<b>-0.511*</b>	<b>0.448*</b>	0.062	<b>0.567**</b>	0.227	-0.298	0.278	0.141	0.229	-0.388
Clade B4	<b>0.942***</b>	-0.170	-0.014	-0.093	-0.391	0.146	<b>-0.613**</b>	-0.035	0.272	0.031
Clade C	0.287	0.092	-0.156	0.237	-0.300	0.149	<b>-0.467*</b>	-0.096	0.412	-0.118
Clade E	-0.188	<b>0.644**</b>	0.357	<b>0.658**</b>	-0.010	<b>-0.482*</b>	0.340	0.273	0.374	<b>-0.482*</b>
Clade F	<b>0.911***</b>	-0.221	-0.093	-0.133	-0.354	0.205	<b>-0.613**</b>	-0.110	0.279	0.096
Clade <i>Nitrososphaera</i>	<b>-0.905***</b>	-0.409	<b>-0.478*</b>	-0.300	<b>0.475*</b>	0.013	<b>0.526*</b>	<b>-0.491*</b>	-0.392	<b>0.489*</b>

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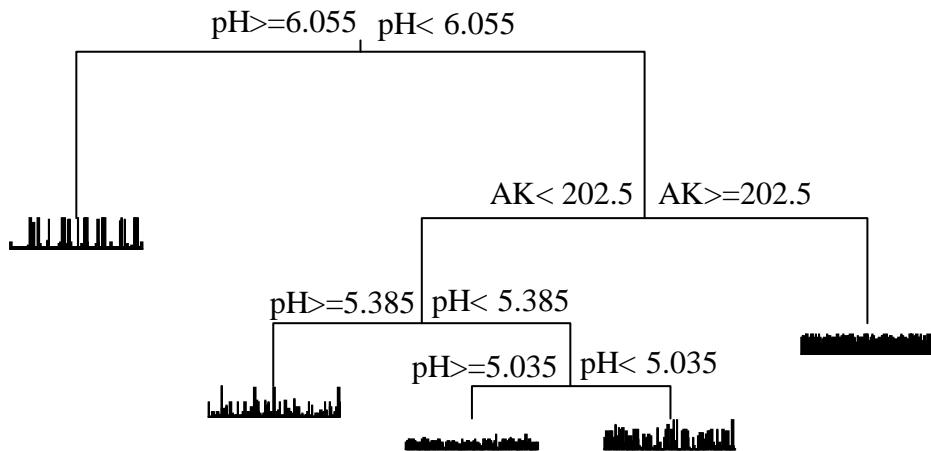
	pH	SOC	DOC	TN	DON	NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> -N	NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> -N	AP	AK	DC <sub>o</sub>
<i>Nitrosospira</i> cluster 3a.1	<b>0.920***</b>	-0.221	-0.098	-0.140	-0.349	0.190	<b>-0.627**</b>	-0.120	0.282	0.103
<i>Nitrosospira</i> cluster 3a.2	-0.022	-0.344	-0.300	-0.336	0.403	-0.099	-0.033	-0.349	-0.270	0.383
<i>Nitrosospira</i> cluster 3c	0.081	<b>0.826***</b>	<b>0.876***</b>	<b>0.577**</b>	-0.125	-0.154	0.067	<b>0.951***</b>	0.064	<b>-0.910***</b>
<i>Nitrosospira</i> cluster 8a	<b>-0.736***</b>	0.138	-0.000	0.142	0.079	-0.037	<b>0.492*</b>	0.030	-0.080	-0.053
<i>Nitrosospira</i> cluster 8b	<b>0.762***</b>	0.032	0.157	0.049	<b>-0.436*</b>	-0.005	<b>-0.461*</b>	0.076	0.256	-0.031

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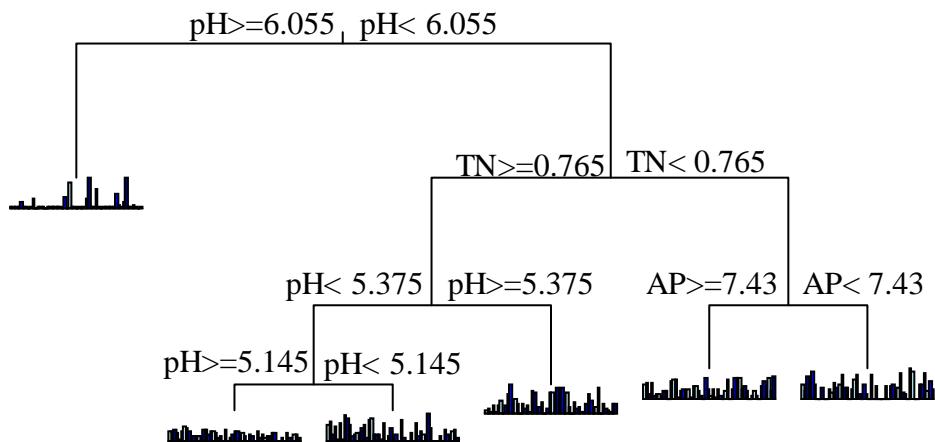


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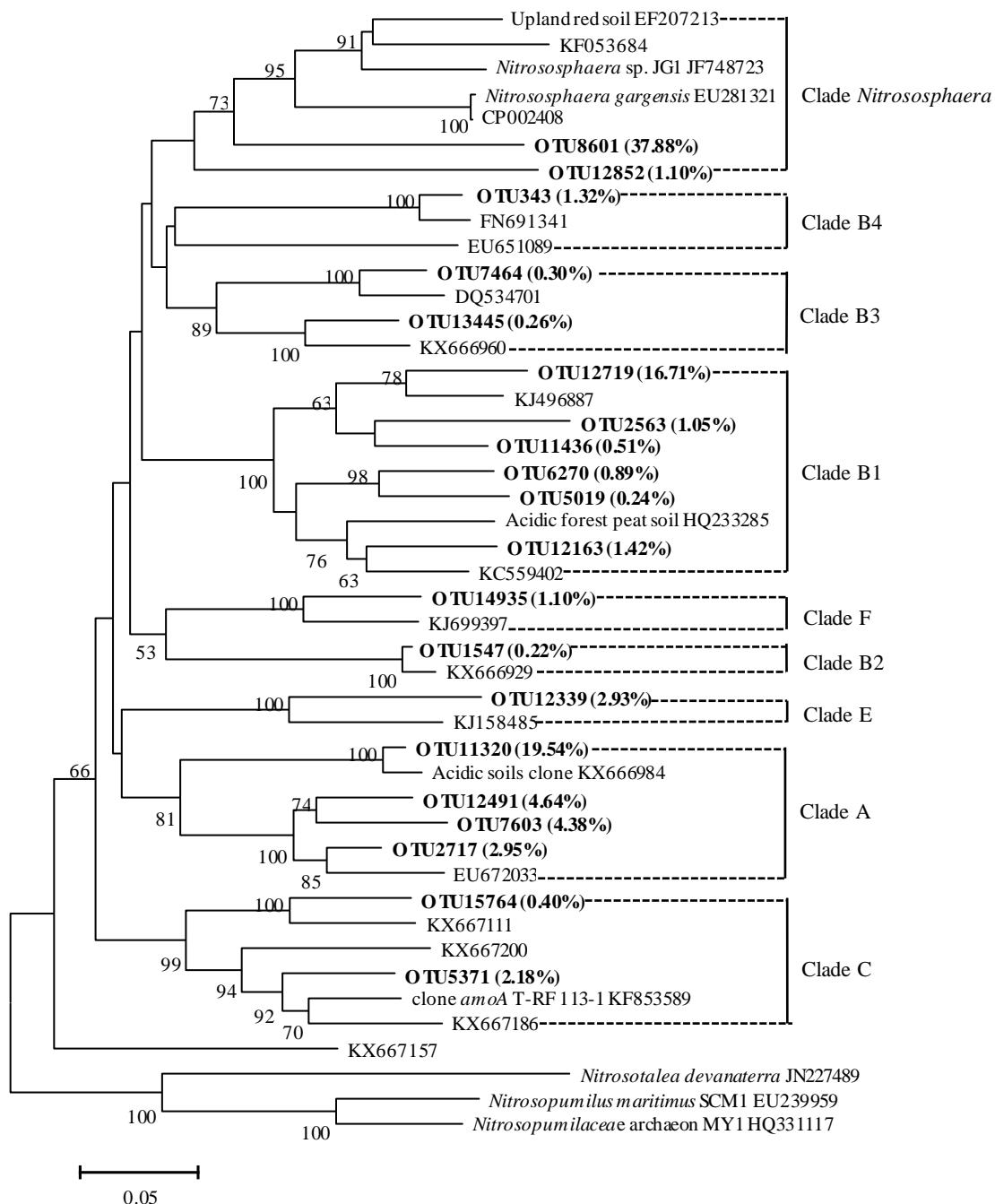
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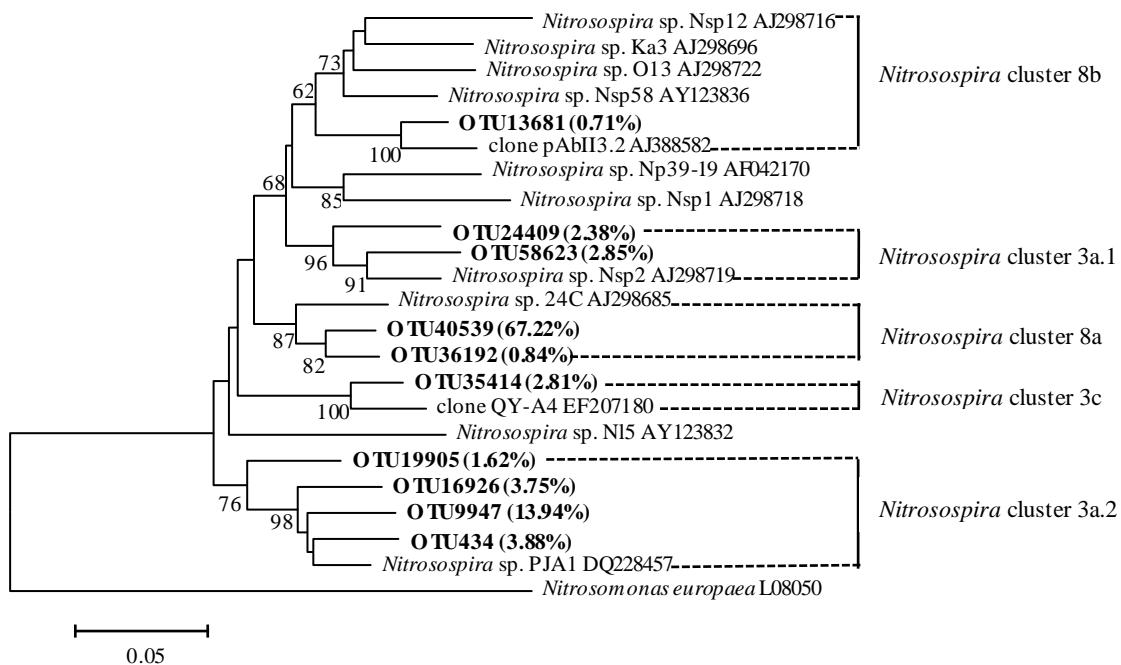
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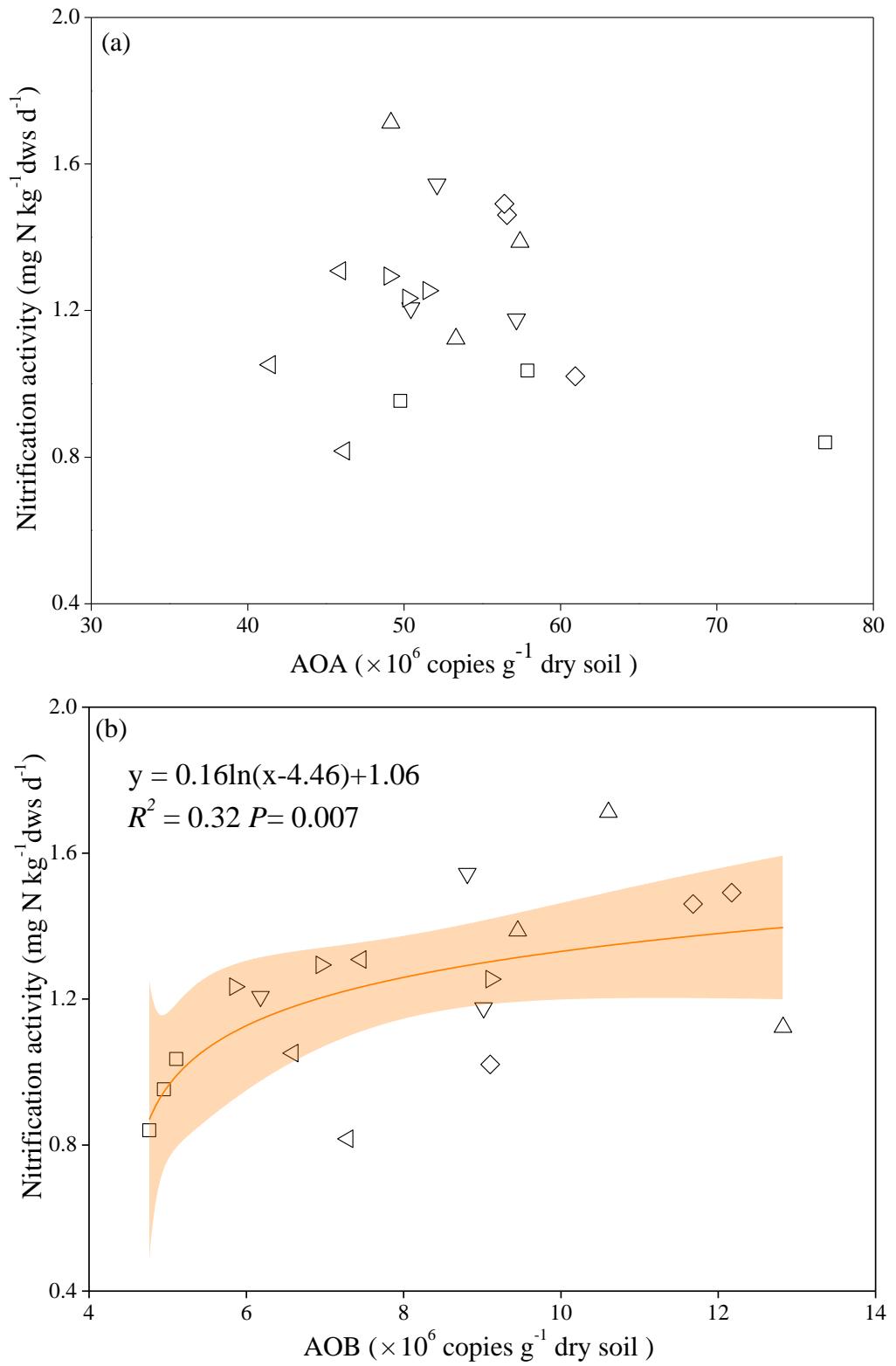
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