

**Table A.** Coefficients of linear regressions between relative contribution of each plant species to total aboveground dry mass and plant community evenness.

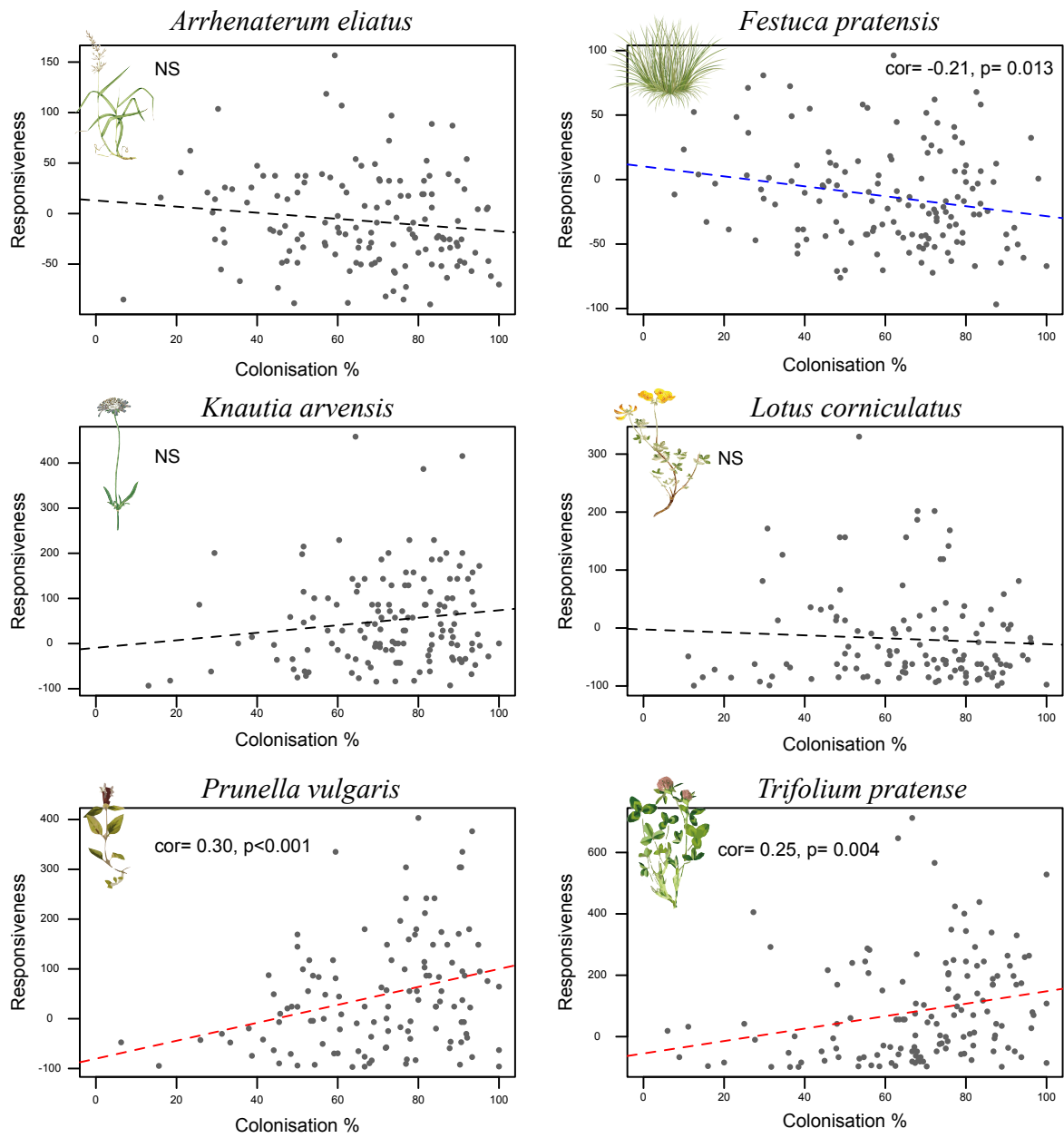
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Plant species	Coefficient	SE	P-value
<i>A.elatius</i>	24.65	6.41	<0.001
<i>F.pratensis</i>	-105.27	-19.77	<0.001
<i>T.pratense</i>	48.94	5.69	<0.001
<i>L.corniculatus</i>	15.19	2.38	<0.001
<i>K.arvensis</i>	11.25	1.49	<0.001
<i>P.vulgaris</i>	5.54	0.8	<0.001

**Note:** Roots straining and colonization measurement protocol

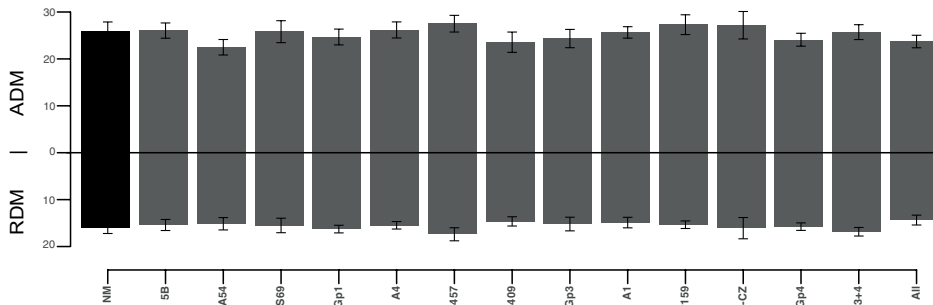
The staining protocol was as follow, the roots of all species were rinsed with clean water and transfer in a 2ml tube that was filled with 10% KOH and heated at 90°C for 1h for the roots of *T. pratense*, *A. elatius*, *F. pratensis* and *P. vulgaris*, 45min for *K. arvensis* and 30 min for *L. corniculatus*. During the heating time the KOH was change at least three times. At the end of the heating time, the KOH was removed and HCL 1% was added for 3 to 5 minutes. Trypan blue solution was then added either for overnight staining or for a 2h staining at 90°C. The trypan blue was then removed and replaced by lactic acid at 80% for permanent conservation. Roots of each of the 900 plants were randomly spread on a petri dish previously marked with 100 cells of 4x4mm arranged in a grid pattern. The presence or absence of fungal structure was recorded on each cell containing a root and sums up to calculate the colonization level (%).

**Fig A.** Relationships between ADM responsiveness and AMF colonization rate for each of the six plant species. See main text for statistics

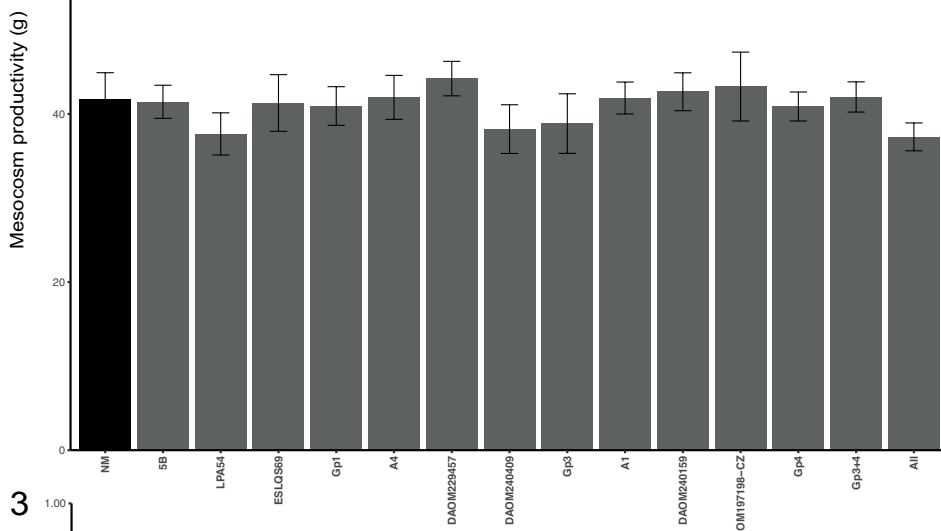


**Fig B.** Plant community metric for all the treatments and NM for **(1)** ADM and RDM, **(2)** mesocosm productivity (TDM) and **(3)** plant community evenness

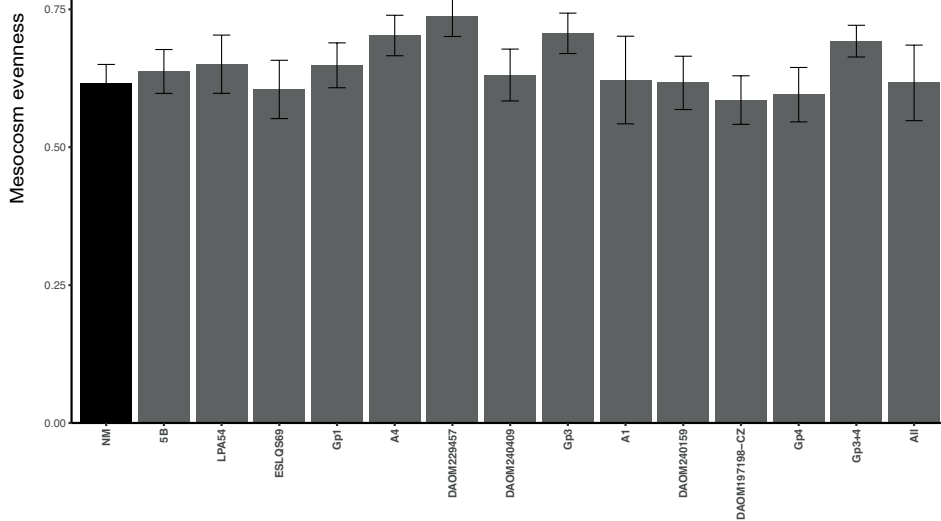
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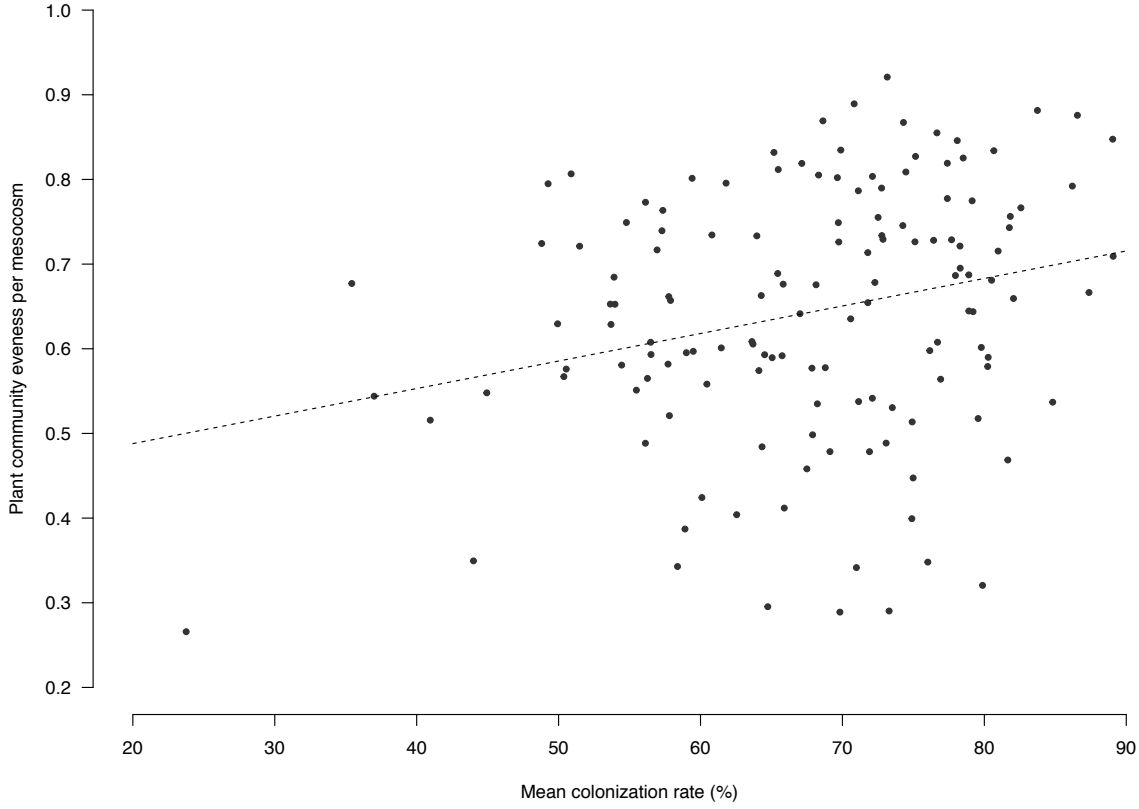
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**Fig C.** Relationship between plant community evenness and mean colonization rate for each mesocosm. See main text for statistics.



**Fig D.** Relationship between colonization evenness and mean colonization rate for each mesocosm.

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