

**Supplementary Figure S1.** sheath and root DW of a defoliated clonal cys-OLE/DGAT ryegrass transformant (HL) and a wild type control (WT) genotype. Plants were established from 3-4 tillers for 23 days at 2mM NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> supply at ambient CO<sub>2</sub>. Bars represent the average for each genotype (n=5) ± S.E. \* = denotes a significant difference at the p<0.05 level in DW, according to student's t test.



**Supplemental Figure S2.** visual comparison of shoot regrowth of cys-OLE/DGAT transformants with a WT and VC genotype. Ramets consisting of 5 tillers were placed in pots and trimmed to an even height every 3 weeks for 3 months.



**Supplementary Figure S3.** relationship between light saturated photosynthetic rate per unit leaf area ( $A_{sat}$ ) and stomatal conductance ( $g_s$ ) of a clonal cys-OLE/DGAT ryegrass transformant (HL) and a wild type control (WT) genotype. Plants were regrown for 28-29 days after defoliation at 7.5 mM N supply at either ambient (400 ppm) and elevated CO<sub>2</sub> (760 ppm). Data points represent the averages of plants grown under NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> or NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> (n=5) ± S.E.

Γ*				F <sub>v</sub> /F <sub>m</sub>			
A)	experiment B		B)	experiment			
Genotype	Г* (ppm)	R <sub>ι</sub> (μmol CO <sub>2</sub> m <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )		F <sub>v</sub> /F <sub>m</sub>	Φ PSII	A <sub>area</sub> (μmol CO <sub>2</sub> m <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	
WT	27.87 ± 1.48	0.71 ± 0.07		0.79 ± 0.003	$0.48 \pm 0.01$	17.83 ± 0.40	
HL	35.50 ± 1.11	$0.41 \pm 0.05$		0.80 ± 0.002	$0.51 \pm 0.01$	20.63 ± 0.89	
p value	**	**		*	**	*	

**Supplementary Table S1.**  $CO_2$  compensation point in the absence of dark respiration in the light ( $\Gamma^*$ ) and  $F_v/F_m$  measured alongside the quantum efficiency of photosystem II ( $\Phi$  PSII) and photosynthesis ( $A_{area}$ ) of a clonal cys-OLE/DGAT ryegrass transformant (HL) and a wild type control (WT) genotype. Measurements were taken in two separate regrowth experiments, approximately 3 weeks after the defoliation of vegetative clones grown in potting mix. Values represent raw averages ± S.E. (n=6 for  $\Gamma^*$  experiment, n=10 for  $F_v/F_m$  experiment). p values are from Welch two sample t-tests or Wilcoxon rank sum test. \* = p<0.05, \*\* = p<0.01.

Genotype	Total leaf FA (%DW)	Leaf TAG (%DW)	Total root FA (%DW)
WT	3.49 ± 0.07 A	0.18 ± 0.03 A	0.66 ± 0.01 A
VC	3.50 ± 0.13 A	0.23 ± 0.02 A	0.73 ± 0.01 B
3501	5.56 ± 0.06 B	2.20 ± 0.06 B	0.99 ± 0.01 C
3807	6.69 ± 0.07 C	2.47 ± 0.06 C	0.97 ± 0.01 C
p value	**	***	***

**Supplementary Table S2.** total leaf fatty acid (FA), leaf triacylglycerol (TAG) and total root FA of a wild type (WT) and vector control (VC) and two independent cys-OLE/DGAT ryegrass transformants, from leaves 3 weeks after cutting and roots 3 months after propagation. Values are expressed on a %DW basis and represent raw averages  $\pm$  S.E. (*n*=4-8). \*\* = p<0.01, \*\*\* = p<0.001 effect significant according to Kruskal-Wallis test. Different letters indicate statistically significant differences in predicted means obtained from Wilcoxon rank sum test, with p values adjusted according to BH method.

CO2	Genotype	V <sub>cmax</sub> (μmol.m <sup>-2</sup> .s <sup>-1</sup> )	J (µmol.m <sup>-2</sup> .s <sup>-1</sup> )	gm (µmol.m <sup>-2</sup> .s <sup>-1</sup> .pa <sup>-1</sup> )	V <sub>cmax</sub> /J	Model fit
Ambient	WT	161.78 ± 9.77 A	178.08 ± 8.92 A	1.39 ± 0.17 A	0.91 ± 0.03 A	$0.41 \pm 0.10$
Amplent	HL	112.86 ± 7.46 BC	171.73 ± 6.07 A	4.29 ± 0.51 B	0.65 ± 0.02 C	$0.51 \pm 0.13$
	WT	122.48 ± 4.74 B	160.76 ± 3.26 A	1.30 ± 0.09 A	0.76 ± 0.02 B	$1.56 \pm 0.24$
Elevated	HL	97.46 ± 5.24 C	165.66 ± 4.71 A	5.17 ± 1.18 B	0.59 ± 0.02 C	$2.39 \pm 0.68$
	G	***	-	***	***	
ANOVA	CO2	**	-	-	**	
	GxCO <sub>2</sub>	-	-	-	-	

**Supplementary Table S3.** maximum velocity of rubisco carboxylation ( $V_{c,max}$ ), rate of electron transport (J), and mesophyll conductance to  $CO_2$  ( $g_m$ ) derived from modelling the response of net photosynthesis per unit leaf area (A) to intracellular  $CO_2$  concentration (Ci) of a clonal cys-OLE/DGAT ryegrass transformant (HL) and a wild type control (WT) genotype. Plants were regrown at 5mM NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> supply under ambient  $CO_2$  (400 ppm) and at 7.5mM NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> supply under elevated  $CO_2$  (760 ppm). Values represent raw averages (n=5) ± S.E. G = genotype effect,  $CO_2 = CO_2$  effect significant in a two-way ANOVA. \* = p<0.05, \*\* = p<0.01, \*\*\* = p<0.001. Different letters indicate statistically significant differences in predicted means obtained from two-way ANOVA, with p values adjusted according to BH method.

CO2	Genotype	SLA (cm².g.DW <sup>-1</sup> )	A <sub>sat</sub> (μmol CO <sub>2</sub> .m <sup>-2</sup> .s <sup>-1</sup> )	Leaf FA (mg/gDW)	Leaf WSC (mg/gDW)
	WT	249 ± 15 BC	19.8 ± 1.5 C	24.8 ± 0.76 C	156.2 ± 18.2 B
Ambient	3501	310 ± 24 AB	26.0 ± 0.6 B	41.1 ± 2.02 AB	ND
	6205 (HL)	369 ± 12 A	27.1 ± 2.3 B	46.2 ± 0.56 A	86.9 ± 13.8 C
	WT	196±9 C	22.3 ± 1.9 BC	22.7 ± 0.07 C	236.1 ± 10.3 A
Elevated	3501	266 ± 22 B	36.4 ± 1.5 A	38.8 ± 2.41 B	ND
	6205 (HL)	300 ± 8 B	37.0 ± 1.6 A	43.6 ± 1.34 AB	97.2 ± 5.6 C
	G	***	***	***	***
ANOVA	VA CO <sub>2</sub>	**	***	-	**
	GxCO <sub>2</sub>	-	*	-	*

**Supplementary Table S4.** specific leaf area (SLA), light saturated photosynthetic rate per unit leaf area (A<sub>sat</sub>), leaf fatty acid (FA) and leaf water soluble carbohydrates (WSC) of two clonal cys-OLE/DGAT ryegrass lines; 3501 and 6205 (HL) and a wild type control (WT) genotype. Plants were regrown for 33-34 days after defoliation at 5 mM NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> supply at either ambient (400 ppm) or elevated CO<sub>2</sub> (760 ppm). Data points represent raw averages (*n*=4-6) ± S.E. G = genotype effect, CO<sub>2</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> effect significant in a two-way ANOVA. \* = p<0.05, \*\* = p<0.01, \*\*\* = p<0.001. Different letters indicate statistically significant differences in predicted means obtained from two-way ANOVA, with p values adjusted according to BH method.