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Fig. S1 Maps of Root Systems of Individual Plants (RSIP) observations by versions. (a) The original, first published, version of the RSIP database included 1305 entries for water-limited systems with ≤1,000 mm mean annual precipitation (Schenk & Jackson, 2002a). (b) Version 2, published in 2005, expanded the RSIP to 2449 observations spanning all climates (Schenk & Jackson, 2005). (c) Our new RSIP with 5,647 total observations, a more than two-fold expansion.



Fig. S2 Comparison of Root Profiles for Global Ecosystems (RPGE) D_{50} and D_{95} estimates (Schenk & Jackson, 2002b;2005) to the plant functional type (PFT) estimates used in the E3SM land model (ELM). Maximum Rooting Depth of PFTs in ELM were taken adapted from the values given in Table 1 from Drewniak *et al.* (2019). The error bars for the RPGE values represent the standard error. There are no error estimates for the ELM PFT max rooting depth values because they are singular values used as inputs for the model.



Fig. S3 Comparing the effect that climate variables had on individual plant rooting depth (RSIP D_R) on the y-axis to Root Profiles for Global Ecosystems (RPGE) D_{50} (gray) and D_{95} (black) on the x-axis. The coefficients were taken from linear mixed effects models with biome as random effects, rooting depth metrics as dependent variables, and climate parameters as fixed effects. Only a subset of the parameters used to measure the linear regressions are shown, with the labels defined in the figure key. The red line is the 1:1 baseline. The steeper black regression represents the relationship between D_R and D_{95} , where D_R is more sensitive to the climate metrics compared to D_{95} (y=2.62x - 0.04, R² = 0.71). The gray line with the lower slope represents the relationship between D_R and D_{50} , where D_{50} is more sensitive towards the climate metrics (y = 0.52x - 0.016, $R^2 = 0.81$). Coefficient values that fall near the 1:1 line indicate that both rooting depth estimates have similar relationships with the parameter. Variables included in the regression that were omitted from the plot were: Precipitation of Wettest Month, Precipitation of Driest Month, Precipitation of Wettest Quarter, Precipitation of Warmest Quarter, Precipitation of Coldest Quarter, Mean Temperature of Warmest Quarter, Mean Temperature of Coldest Quarter, Mean Diurnal Range, Temperature Seasonality, Temperature Annual Range, Mean Temperature of Wettest Quarter, and Mean Temperature of Driest Quarter.



Fig. S4 The relationships between maximum rooting depth (D_R ; y-axes) to aboveground plant size (H_S , W_S , V_S , & *DBH*; x-axes) analyzed using phylogenetically independent contrast regressions for all observations (a, d, & g), woody plants (b, e, h, & J), and herbaceous plants (c, f, & i). Statistically significant relationships (p < 0.05) are fitted with linear regressions using dark red lines.



Fig. S5 The relationships between maximum lateral spread (L_R ; y-axes) to aboveground plant size (H_S , W_S , V_S , & *DBH*; x-axes) analyzed using phylogenetically independent contrast regressions for all observations (a, d, & g), woody plants (b, e, h, & j), and herbaceous plants (c, f, & i). Statistically significant relationships (p < 0.05) are fitted with linear regressions using dark red lines.



Fig. S6 The influence of climate metrics on max rooting depth (D_R ; lower row) and max lateral spread (L_R ; upper row). The climate metrics shown here, from left to right, are mean annual precipitation (*MAP*), mean annual potential evapotranspiration (*MAE*), mean annual precipitation (*MAP*), aridity index (A_i), seasonality index (S_a). Dark gray points are woody plants, and light gray points are herbaceous plants. The dashed lines (woody in dark gray and herbs in light gray) represent a linear regression where p < 0.05 in the form of $y = \beta + \alpha * x$, and the red shaded regions are the 95% confidence interval. The statistics and the parameters for the linear regressions are in Table **S4**. The axes scales are in common log (base 10).



Fig. S7 The relationships between maximum rooting depth (D_R ; y-axes) to the climate metrics (*MAE*, MAP, A_i, & S_a; x-axes) analyzed using phylogenetically independent contrast regressions for all observations (a, d, g, & j), woody plants (b, e, h, & k), and herbaceous plants (c, f, i, & l). Statistically significant relationships (p < 0.05) are fitted with linear regressions using dark red lines.



Fig. S8 The relationships between maximum lateral spread (L_R ; y-axes) to the climate metrics (*MAE*, MAP, A_i, & S_a; x-axes) analyzed using phylogenetically independent contrast regressions for all observations (a, d, g, & j), woody plants (b, e, h, & k), and herbaceous plants (c, f, i, & l). Statistically significant relationships (p < 0.05) are fitted with linear regressions using dark red lines.



Fig. S9 Pearson's rank correlation matrix for the above- and belowground plant size metrics. Darker blue and larger circles represent more positive correlations. Insignificant correlations are crossed out (p > 0.01). Coefficient is written in black text.

Entry identification Used in Rando m Forest Variable name ? Description n ID 5647 Unique identification number for each observation Reference that the entry data originates from, where it was 5647 taken from, and the figure/table/page # Reference Plant description Variable name Description n current taxonomic nomenclature (Genus species). Found using plant databases (NRCS, 2021; Roskov et al., 2017; Species 5639 Smith & Brown, 2018) Current taxonomic family classification found using plant databases (NRCS, 2021; Roskov et al., 2017; Smith & X Family 5634 Brown, 2018) Plant life span found using plant databases (Roskov et al., 2017; NRCS, 2021) or reported in reference literature; (see X Life_span 5641 Table S2) Plant growth form found using plant databases (Roskov et al., 2017; NRCS, 2021) or reported in reference literature X 5640 (see Table **S2**) Growth form X Tissue 5997 Woody or herbaceous (see Table S2) Seed Cat 5630 Monocot, Dicot, or Gymnosperm (see Table S2) Χ Is the leafing strategy evergreen or deciduous (see Table Х 2515 **S2**) Leaf_strategy Is the leafing strategy broad-leaf or needle-leaf (see Table Х Leaf form 2206 **S2**) X PS type 5649 Photosynthesis pathway (see Table S2) Growth measurements Variable name Description n Х 5633 Maximum rooting depth of plant [m] D_R Maximum lateral root spread/one-sided (radius) linear Х L_R 2874 distance from stem reached by roots [m] 1756 Rooting spread, aka maximum root system diameter [m] W_R 1769 Depth of maximum lateral root (L_R) [m] D_L Hs 2373 Height of plant shoot [m] X X Ws 2074 Width of plant shoot [m] Diameter at breast height of trees branching higher than 139 1.5meters; recorded at 1.3-1.5 meters [cm] DBH

Table S1 Description of RSIP Parameters (n is the total number of observations).

Relative measureme	ents		
Variable name	n	Description	
		Estimate of root system volume using a bi-conal shape	
VR	2857	$(V_R[m^3] = \pi x L_R^2 x D_R x 2/3)$	
		Estimate of shoot volume using an ellipsoid shape (V_S	
Vs	2010	$[m^{3}] = \pi x H_{S}[m] x W_{S}[m]^{2}/6)$	
D _{rel}	2010	Relative maximum rooting depth ($D_{rel} = D_R / V_S$)	
L _{rel}	2010	Relative maximum lateral spread ($L_{rel} = L_R / V_S$)	
Dimensional aspect	ratios a	and shoot:root ratios	
Variable name	n	Description	
		Above-ground dimensional aspect ratio indicator (Y:X _{shoot}	
Y:X _{shoot}	2010	$=H_S/W_S)$	
Y:X _{root}	2938	Below-ground dimensional aspect ratio $(Y:X_{root} = D_R/W_R)$	
S:Ry	2368	Vertical coordinative strategy indicator $(S:R_y = H_S/D_R)$	
S:R _x	1974	Horizontal coordinative strategy indicator (S: $R_x = W_S/W_R$)	
Location			
Variable name	n	Description	
		Biome of entry, taken from original literature or based by	
		location. following the WWF major habitat type	Х
Biome	5609	classification (Olson <i>et al.</i> ,2001; see Table S2)	
Eco_Name	5559	Unique eco-regeion name (Olson et al., 2001)	
Realm	5558	Biogeographic Realm (Olson et al., 2001; see Table S2)	Χ
		Unique id for the ecoregion with a realm-biome-ecoregion	x
Eco_ID	5559	code in the form of: RR-BB-EE (Olson <i>et al.</i> , 2001)	
Vegetation	2252	Dominant vegetation of ecosystem or biome (see Table S2)	
		Geographic location (usually in terms of nearest city,	
Location	5622	state/province, region, or country)	
Lat	5591	Latitude (in decimal degrees)	X
Long	5591	Longitude (in decimal degrees)	X
		Error estimate for the latitude and longitude, meant to	
Spatial_buffer	3332	serve as a buffer or radius that the point represents [km]	
Elevation	4327	Elevation [m]	X
Soil			
Variable name	n	Description	
Soil_description	4360	Description of soil	
		Soil texture categories taken from the USDA system (see	x
STUSDA	5191	Table S2)	1
		Soil texture categories taken from the EU system (see	X
ST _{EU}	5189	Table S2)	
Water_Table_Dep	507		
th	507	Water Table Depth from Fan <i>et al.</i> (2017)	
Climate			
Variable name	n	Description	

BIO1	5559	Annual Mean Temperature [K]	X
		Mean Diurnal Range (Mean of monthly (max temp - min	x
BIO2	5559	temp)) [K]	2
BIO3	5559	Isothermality (BIO2/BIO7) (* 100)	X
BIO4	5559	Temperature Seasonality (standard deviation *100)	X
BIO5	5559	Max Temperature of Warmest Month [K]	X
BIO6	5559	Min Temperature of Coldest Month [K]	X
BIO7	5559	Temperature Annual Range (BIO5-BIO6) [K]	Χ
BIO8	5559	Mean Temperature of Wettest Quarter [K]	Χ
BIO9	5559	Mean Temperature of Driest Quarter [K]	Χ
BIO10	5559	Mean Temperature of Warmest Quarter [K]	Χ
BIO11	5559	Mean Temperature of Coldest Quarter [K]	Χ
BIO13	5559	Precipitation of Wettest Month [m]	Χ
BIO14	5559	Precipitation of Driest Month [m]	Χ
BIO15	5559	Precipitation Seasonality (Coefficient of Variation)	Χ
BIO16	5559	Precipitation of Wettest Quarter [m]	Χ
BIO17	5559	Precipitation of Driest Quarter [m]	X
BIO18	5559	Precipitation of Warmest Quarter [m]	X
BIO19	5559	Precipitation of Coldest Quarter [m]	Χ
MAP	5590	Mean annual precipitation. taken from primary literature or WorldClim data (BIO12) [m]	X
MAE	5587	Mean annual potential evapotranspiration. taken from primary literature or calculated using Hargreave's equation (Trabucco & Zomer, 2019)	X
Ai	5587	Aridity index (=MAP/MAE)	X
Sa	5553	Annual water storage index: $S_a = min[P_{sur}, P_{def}]$	X
M _{sur}	5493	Months with a surplus of water (MAP _m - PET _m > 0)	X
M _{def}	5552	Months with a deficit of water ($PET_m - MAP_m > 0$)	X
P _{sur}	5493	Seasonal surplus of water: $P_{sur} = \sum_{m, MAP_m - PET_m > 0} (MAP_m - PET_m)$	X
P _{def}	5552	Seasonal deficit of water: $P_{def} = \sum_{m, PET_m - MAP_m > 0} (PET_m - MAP_m)$	X
R _{class}	5590	Classification of MAP (see Table S2)	X
R _{regime}	5615	Precipitation seasonality regime classified using MAP, latitude, and BIO18-19 (see Table S2)	X
Aclass	5587	Classification of A _i (see Table S2)	X

Table S2 RSIP categorical groups. The number of total observations (n), and unique species, geographic locations, and studies for each class is shown.

Life_span					
Class	n	species	locations	studies	Description
A	557	367	198	82	Annual plants (whole life cycle within 1 year)
Р	5082	2635	1941	611	Perennial plants (includes biennials and all non-annual plants)
Growth_Form					
Class	n	species	locations	studies	Description
Forb	1715	1207	528	116	Forbs, herbaceous plants that are not grasses
Grass	991	467	374	158	Grasses
Semi-shrub	574	318	206	111	Semi-shrub
Shrub	694	367	351	194	Shrub
Succulent	89	67	54	49	Succulent
Tree	1576	613	1010	350	Tree
Tissue					
Class	n	species	locations	studies	Description
Herbaceous	2706	1674	764	211	Herbaceous plants
Woody	2844	1264	1427	530	Woody plants
Seed_Cat					
Class	n	species	locations	studies	Description
Dicot	3947	2255	1514	506	Dicot Plants (Magnoliopsida)
Gymnosperm	523	136	340	118	Gymnosperm Plants
Monocot	1135	577	420	170	Plants with only one cotyledon
Pteridophyte	24	20	19	16	Pteridophyte plants
Leaf_strategy					
Class	n	species	locations	studies	Description
D	1130	467	721	265	Deciduous (including winter-deciduous and drought-deciduous)
Е	1385	602	126	363	Evergreen (including some semi-evergreen)
Leaf_form					
Class	n	species	locations	studies	Description
В	1640	780	967	403	Broad-leaf
Ν	557	163	352	127	Needle-leaf
Р	9	8	9	8	Palm
PS_type					
Class	n	species	locations	studies	Description
C3	4918	2660	1899	583	C3 Photosynthetic Pathway
C3-C4	617	255	261	138	C3/C4 intermediates

C4	10	4	7	6	C4 Photosynthetic Pathway	
					Crassulacean Acid Metabolism	
CAM	103	75	59	52	Photosynthesis	
Biome						
Class	n	species	locations	studies	Description	
1	1240	731	306	191	Deserts & xeric shrublands	
					Tropical & subtropical moist broadleaf	
2	144	106	75	47	forests	
3	247	128	222	22	Tropical & subtropical dry broadleaf forests	
4	3	3	3	2	Tropical & subtropical coniferous forests	
5	649	416	324	103	Temperate broadleaf & mixed forests	
6	1111	706	383	43	Temperate Conifer Forests	
7	187	50	108	26	Boreal forests/Taiga	
					Tropical & Subtropical Grasslands,	
8	301	165	103	63	Savannas & Shrublands	
					Temperate Grasslands, Savannas &	
9	1020	552	350	86	Shrublands	
10	65	59	26	9	Flooded Grasslands & Savannas	
11	222	171	25	15	Montane Grasslands & Shrublands	
12	25	21	6	4	Tundra	
13	379	253	142	73	Mediterranean Forests, Woodlands & Scrub	
Realm						
Class	n	species	locations	studies	Description	
AA	205	137	67	36	Australasia	
AT	512	270	315	85	Afrotropical	
IM	143	97	36	30	Indo-Malayan	
NA	1803	803	733	235	Nearctic	
NT	333	218	105	66	Neotropical	
OC	1	1	1	1	Oceania	
PA	2560	1541	757	154	Palearctic	
Vegetation						
Class	n	species	locations	studies	Description	
G	804	527	120	61	Grasses, Grassland	
S	1024	642	160	120	Shrubs, Shrubland	
Т	423	249	124	91	Trees, Forested	
USDA_soil_texture						
Class	n	species	locations	studies	Description	
Cl	222	177	105	61	Clay	
SiCl	33	27	19	14	Silty clay	

SaCl	201	108	96	37	Sandy clay
ClLo	248	221	107	53	Clay loam
SiClLo	74	51	45	23	Silty clay loam
SaClLo	97	84	64	33	Sandy clay loam
Lo	897	616	248	86	Loam
SiLo	366	251	181	60	Silty loam
SaLo	798	539	302	116	Sandy loam
Si	115	89	75	23	Silt
LoSa	588	401	261	62	Loamy sand
Sa	1205	821	496	225	Sand
Wa	126	104	55	23	Wetland
Ro	212	160	110	44	Rocky
EU_soil_texture					
Class	n	species	locations	studies	Description
F	704	499	316	289	Fine
М	1442	911	522	544	Medium
С	2916	1779	1152	1400	Coarse
Rclass					
Class	n	species	locations	studies	Description
А	281	201	80	56	$MAP \le 0.125$
В	710	434	164	103	$0.125 \le MAP \le 0.25$
С	1154	695	319	142	$0.25 \leq MAP \leq 0.5$
D	3444	1963	1469	364	MAP > 0.5
Rregime					
Class	n	species	locations	studies	Description
P	704	155	207	104	all year; climates where 0.75 <
E	704	433	207	104	BIO18/BIO19 < 1.25
S	3140	1690	1090	235	where BIO18/BIO19 >1.25
					tropical seasonal; seasonally dry climates
TS	711	395	420	142	lacking a cold season
	1050	(00	226	100	winter; temperate and subtropical climates
W	1059	690	336	182	where BIO18/BIO19 ≤0.75
Aclass		•	1		D
Class	n 76	species	locations	studies	
ha	70	520	23	20	hyper-arid; AI ≤ 0.03
ar	002	330	255	142	arid; $0.03 \le A1 \le 0.2$
sa	1346	118	459	104	semi-arid; $0.2 \leq A1 \leq 0.5$
sh	595	406	265	80	sub-humid; $0.5 \le AI < 0.65$
hu	2687	1599	1054	217	humid; AI ≥0.65

Trait	Lambda (λ)	logL
Rooting Depth (D _R)		
All Observations	0.553	-7872
Woody	0.271	-3835
Herbaceous	0.644	-2098
Lateral Spread (L_R)		
All Observations	0.968	-4648
Woody	0.865	-1811
Herbaceous	0.186	-1322
Shoot Height (H _S)		
All Observations	0.985	-3937
Woody	0.934	-1664
Herbaceous	0.558	-269
Shoot Width (W _S)		
All Observations	0.0001	-7784
Woody	0.750	-1010
Herbaceous	0.0001	-5621
Shoot Volume (V _S)		
All Observations	0.0001	-15824
Woody	1.000	-3423
Herbaceous	0.0001	-11252
Stem Diameter (DBH)		
Trees	0.922	-349

Table S3 Pagel's Lambda values for the above- and belowground plant measurements with the calculated log likelihood statistic (logL).

*Lambda is color coded from low to high phylogenetic signal: low lambda (< 0.3) in white, moderate lambda (0.3 to 0.6) in light blue, high lambda (0.6 to 0.9) in medium blue, very high lambda (> 0.9) in darker blue with white text.

Table S4 Linear and phylogenetically independent contrast (PIC) relationships of belowground extents ($D_R \& L_R$) to climate metrics (MAE, MAP, A_i , $\& S_a$) in the form of $y=\beta_0 + \beta_1 x$, where y is D_R or L_R , where β_0 is the intercept (Int.) and β_1 is the slope. PIC regression intercepts set to zero.

	Max. Rooting Depth (D _R)					Max. Lateral Spread (L_R)				
	Linear Regression			PIC		Linear Regression			PIC	
	Int.	Slope (SE)	$R^2 \& p$	Slope (SE)	$R^2 \& p$	Int.	Slope (SE)	$R^2 \& p$	Slope (SE)	$R^2 \& p$
Mean Annual PET (MAE)									
All Observations	-0.4	0.4 (0.016)	0.1***	-0.067 (0.038)	0.001	-0.4	0.16 (0.034)	0.007***	-0.77 (0.063)	0.076***
Woody	-0.2	0.33 (0.021)	0.081***	-0.076 (0.052)	0.001	0.25	-0.042 (0.053)	0.001	-0.023 (0.075)	-0.002
Herbaceous	-0.4	0.25 (0.026)	0.035***	0.31 (0.047)	0.027***	-0.3	-0.21 (0.034)	0.021***	-0.71 (0.058)	0.112***
Mean Annual Preci	pitation	(MAP)								
All Observations	0.07	-0.067 (0.012)	0.006***	0.17 (0.020)	0.023***	-0.3	0.12 (0.024)	0.009***	0.57 (0.020)	0.319***
Woody	0.26	-0.096 (0.015)	0.015***	0.26 (0.049)	0.023***	0.06	0.21 (0.037)	0.029***	-0.45 (0.062)	0.086***
Herbaceous	-0.1	-0.053 (0.018)	0.003*	-0.22 (0.018)	0.082***	-0.6	0.17 (0.021)	0.037***	0.35 (0.017)	0.264***
Aridity Index (Ai)										
All Observations	0.14	-0.15 (0.0089)	0.047***	0.050 (0.014)	0.004**	-0.3	0.063 (0.014)	0.007***	0.31 (0.014)	0.227***
Woody	0.31	-0.17 (0.013)	0.062***	0.066 (0.035)	0.002	0.09	0.15 (0.025)	0.031***	-0.23 (0.029)	0.101***
Herbaceous	-0.1	-0.094 (0.011)	0.026***	-0.16 (0.011)	0.113***	-0.6	0.1 (0.012)	0.043***	0.21 (0.10)	0.255***
Seasonality Index (S	Sa)									
All Observations	0.02	0.068 (0.05)	0	1.54 (0.081)	0.113***	-0.2	-0.63 (0.12)	0.01***	2.0 (0.092)	0.216***
Woody	0.18	-0.018 (0.06)	0	0.45 (0.21)	0.003†	0.28	-1.1 (0.19)	0.031***	0.71 (0.26)	0.011*
Herbaceous	-0.1	-0.078 (0.079)	0	0.50 (0.088)	0.02***	-0.5	0.14 (0.1)	0.001	-0.66 (0.10)	0.032***
*D 1 ·	· ~	1	***	0 0001 **	< 0.001	* .	0.01 1 -0	0.7		

P*-value significance codes: * < 0.0001; ** < 0.001; * < 0.01; † <0.05

	Formula	R^2	Curves Intercept
Woody			
Y:X _{root}	$= 1.5 * exp(-0.5 * (ln(A_i/0.26)/1.2)^2)$	0.88	
Y:X _{shoot}	$= 1.7 * A_i / (0.1 + A_i)$	0.85	x=0.44, y=1.54
$S:R_y$	$= 14 * A_i / (4.4 + A_i)$	0.87	v=0.14 v=0.42
$S:R_x$	$= 0.58 * exp(-0.5 * (ln(A_i/0.43)/1.5)^2)$	0.34	x=0.14, y=0.43
Herbaceou	15		
Y:Xroot	$= 1.7 * x / (-0.005 + A_i)$	0.23	v-0.10 v-1.06
Y:Xshoot	$= 1.3 * x / (-0.04 + A_i)$	0.04	x=0.10, y=1.90
$S:R_y$	$= 1.7 * x / (-0.005 + A_i)$	0.67	x-0.18 x-0.55
$S:R_x$	$= 0.42 * x / (-0.04 + A_i)$	0.85	л-0.10, у-0.55

 Table S5 Nonlinear regression curves for the shape ratios plotted on Fig. 7.

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