



Supplement of

Connecting competitor, stress-tolerator and ruderal (CSR) theory and Lund Potsdam Jena managed Land 5 (LPJmL 5) to assess the role of environmental conditions, management and functional diversity for grassland ecosystem functions

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S1 Additional figures

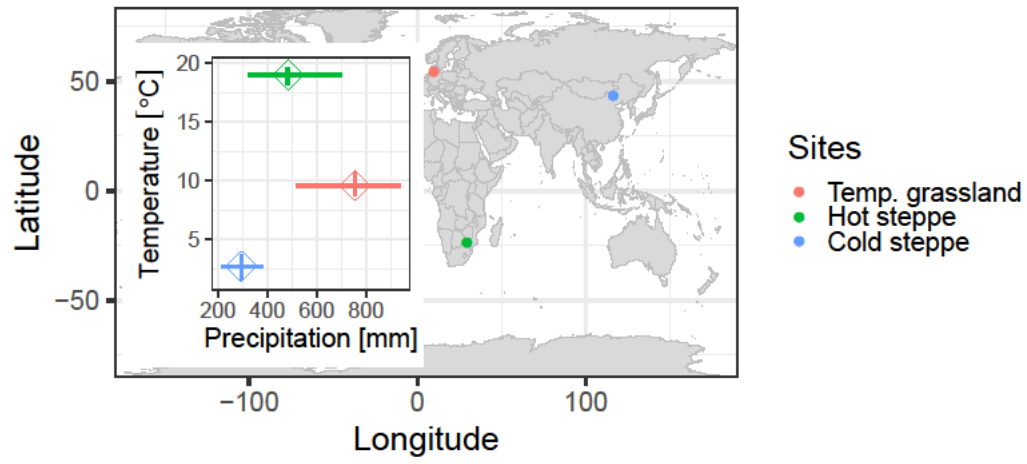


Fig. S1 Location (points) of the three grassland sites and their mean annual temperature and precipitation (squares). Lines show one standard deviation.

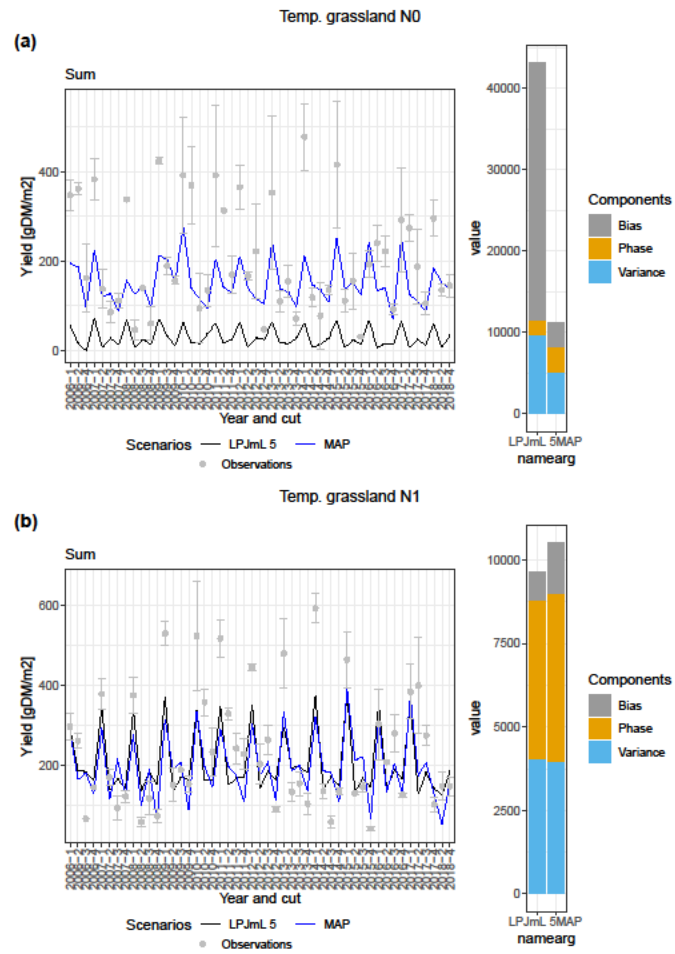


Fig. S2 Dry matter yields in gDMm^{-2} for the unfertilized (a) and fertilised (b) scenario for LPJmL 5.3 (black), the maximum a posteriori (MAP blue) and observations (grey) at the temperate grassland (left). Error bars are one standard deviation. MSE and its components bias (grey), phase (yellow) and variance (blue) for LPJmL 5.3 and the MAP

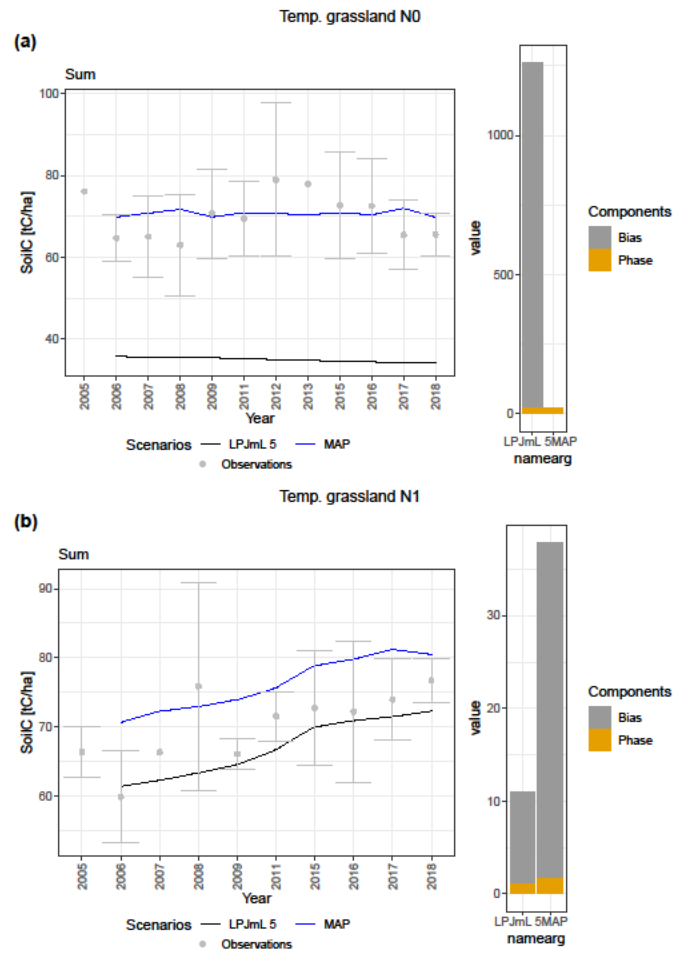


Fig. S3 Soil organic carbon in tC ha^{-1} for the unfertilized (a) and fertilised (b) scenario for LPJmL 5.3 (black), the maximum a posteriori (MAP blue) and observations (grey) at the temperate grassland (left). Error bars are one standard deviation. MSE and its components bias (grey), phase (yellow) and variance (blue) for LPJmL 5.3 and the MAP

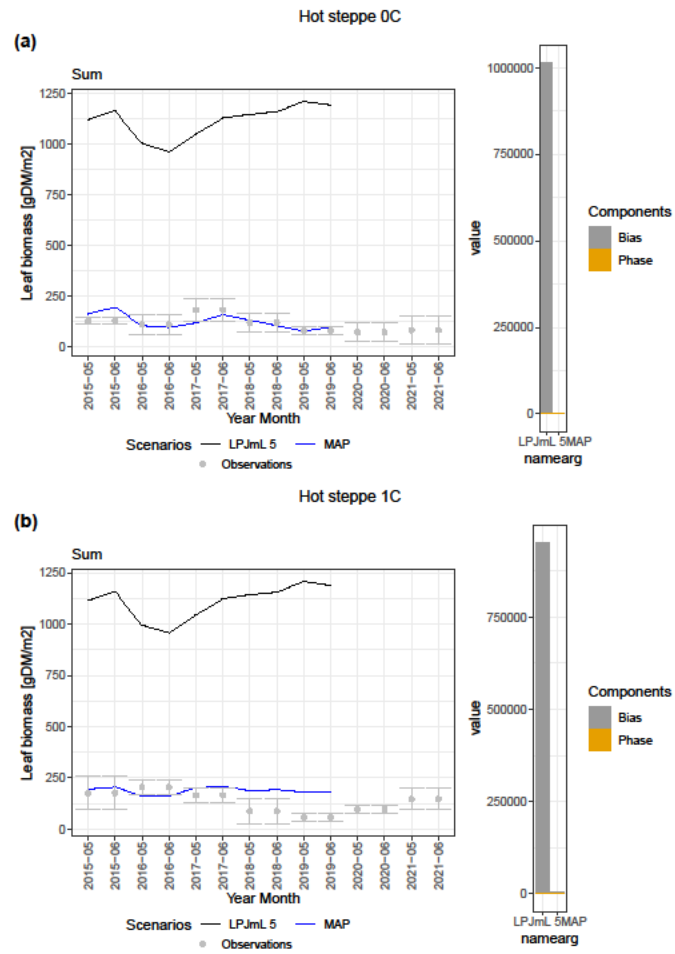


Fig. S4 Leaf biomass in gDMm^{-2} for the ungrazed (a) and grazed (b) scenario for LPJmL 5.3 (black), the maximum a posteriori (MAP blue) and observations (grey) at the hot steppe (left). Error bars are one standard deviation. MSE and its components bias (grey), phase (yellow) and variance (blue) for LPJmL 5.3 and the MAP

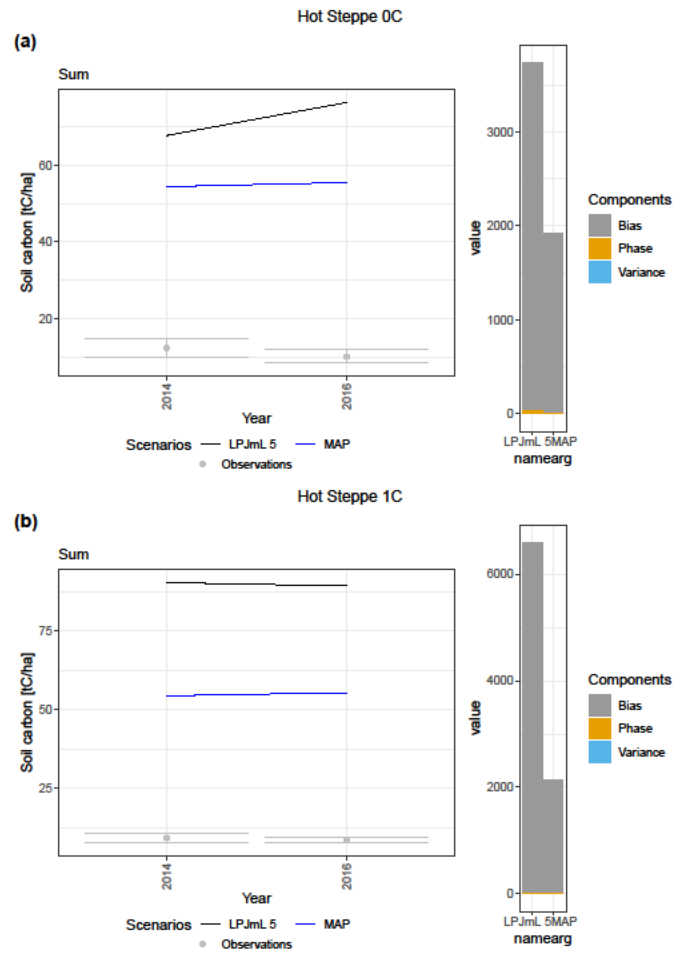


Fig. S5 Soil organic carbon in tCha^{-1} for the ungrazed (a) and grazed (b) scenario for LPJmL 5.3 (black), the maximum a posteriori (MAP blue) and observations (grey) at the hot steppe (left). Error bars are one standard deviation. MSE and its components bias (grey), phase (yellow) and variance (blue) for LPJmL 5.3 and the MAP

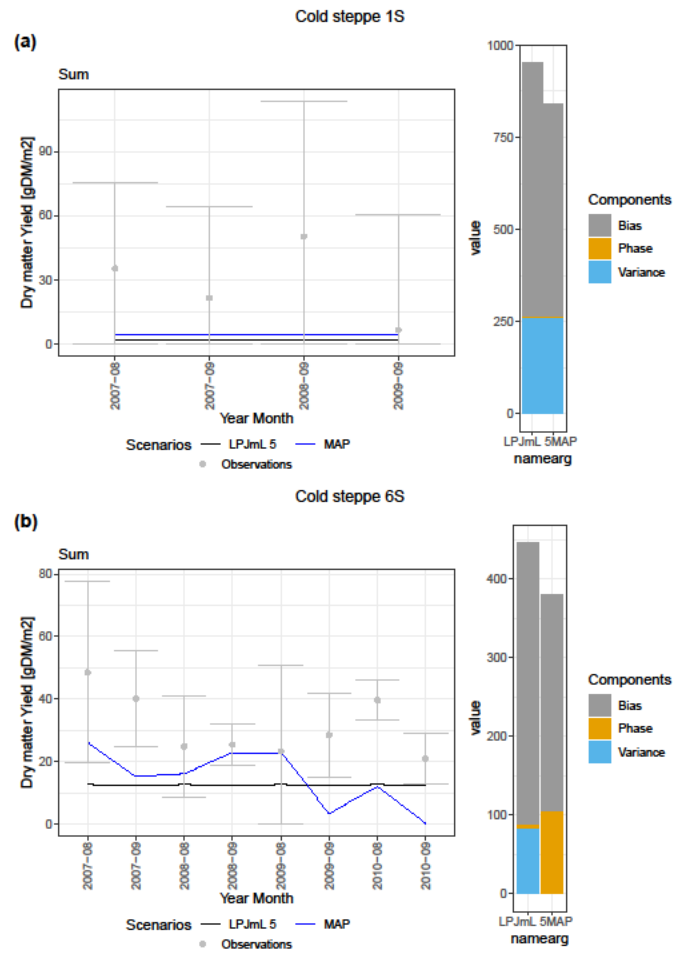


Fig. S6 Grazing offtake in gDMm^{-2} for the extensively (a) and intensively (b) grazed scenario for LPJmL 5.3 (black), the maximum a posteriori (MAP blue) and observations (grey) at the cold steppe (left). Error bars are one standard deviation. MSE and its components bias (grey), phase (yellow) and variance (blue) for LPJmL 5.3 and the MAP

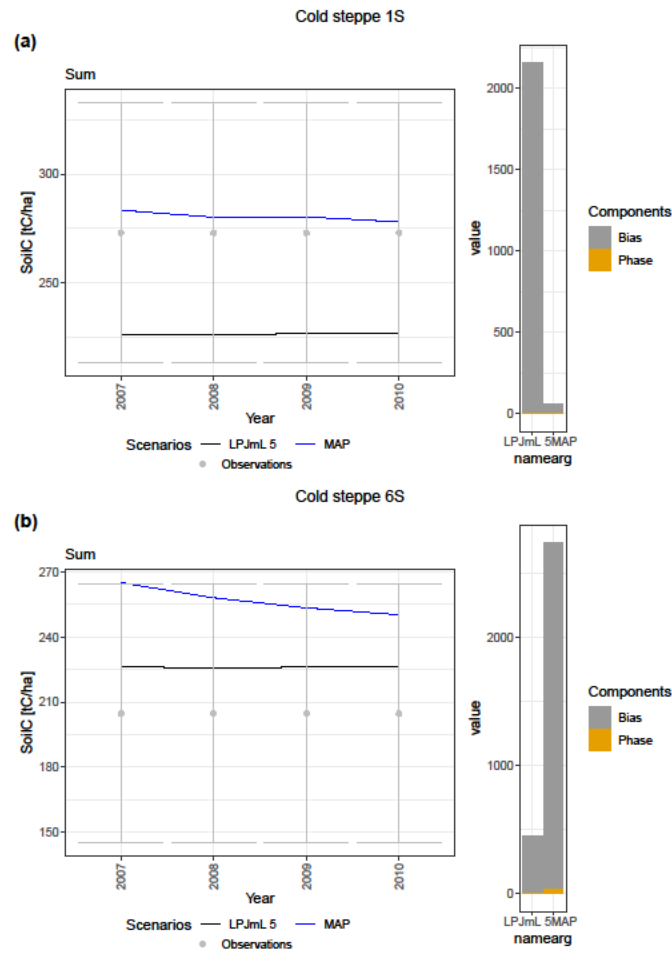


Fig. S7 Soil organic carbon in tC ha^{-1} for the extensively (a) and intensively (b) grazed scenario for LPJmL 5.3 (black), the maximum a posteriori (MAP blue) and observations (grey) at the cold steppe (left). Error bars are one standard deviation. MSE and its components bias (grey), phase (yellow) and variance (blue) for LPJmL 5.3 and the MAP

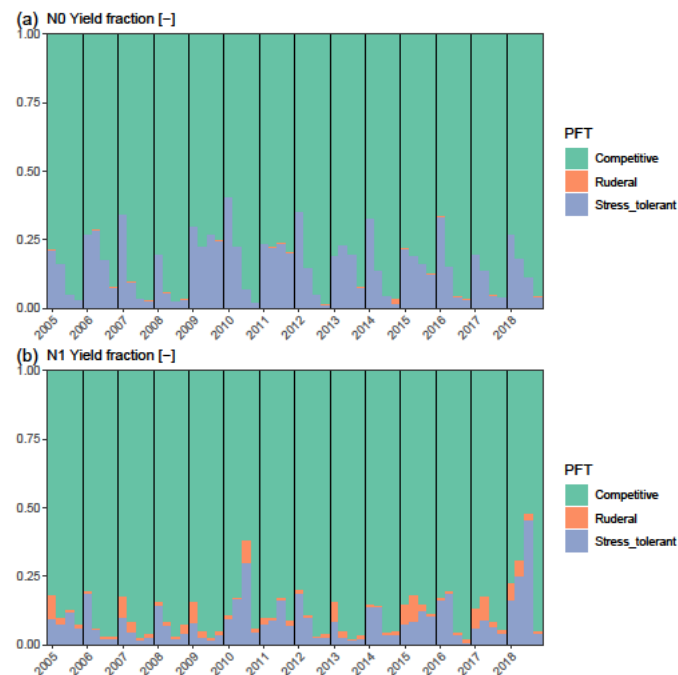


Fig. S8 PFT fractions (colours) of dry matter yield for each cut for the unfertilised (a) and fertilized (b) experiment at the temperate grassland.

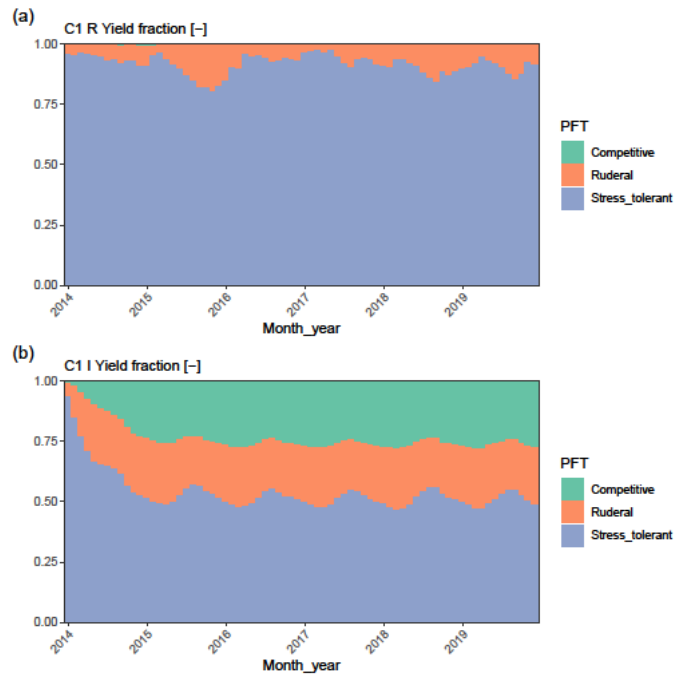


Fig. S9 PFT fractions (colours) of monthly grazing offtake for the rainfed (a) and irrigated (b) experiment at the hot steppe.

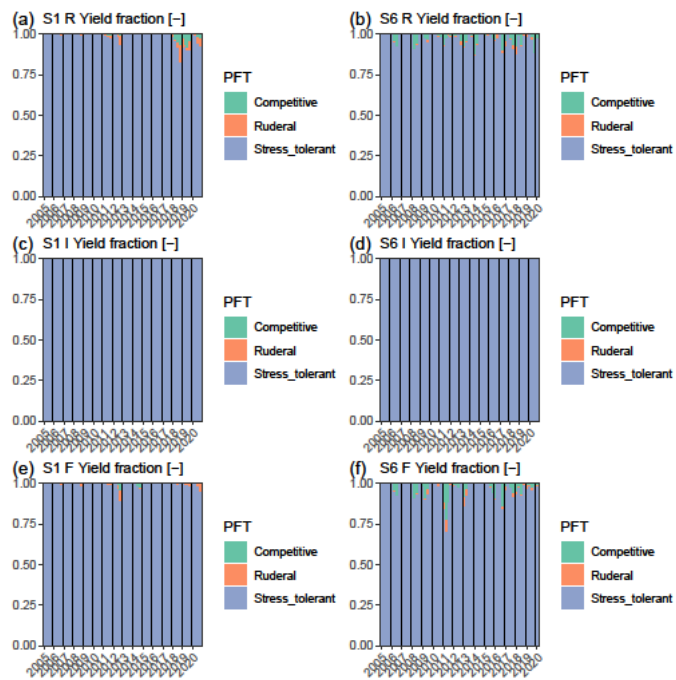


Fig. S10 PFT fractions (colours) of monthly grazing offtake for the extensively (a,c,e) and intensively (b,d,f) grazed experiment for the rainfed (a,b), fertilized (c,d) and irrigated (e,f) scenarios at the cold steppe.

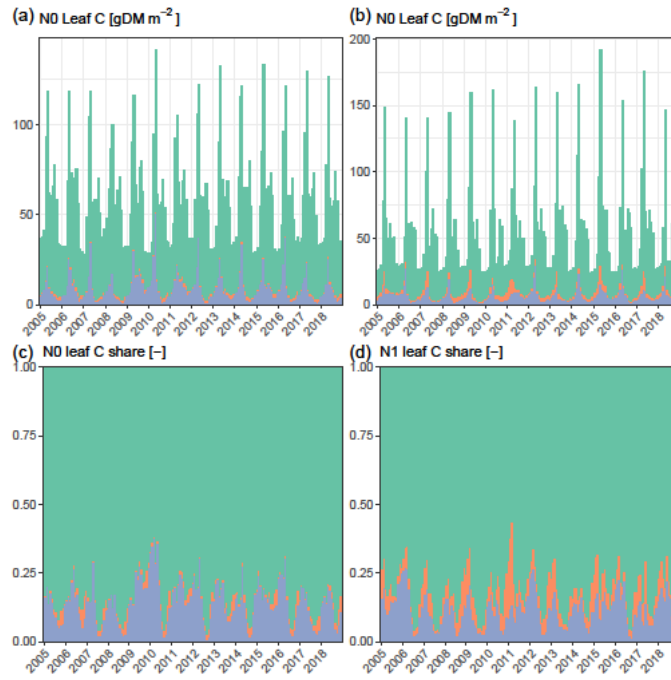


Fig. S11 Total (a,b) and fractional (c,d) monthly leaf carbon for the unfertilized (a,c) and fertilized (b,d) experiment for each PFT (colours).

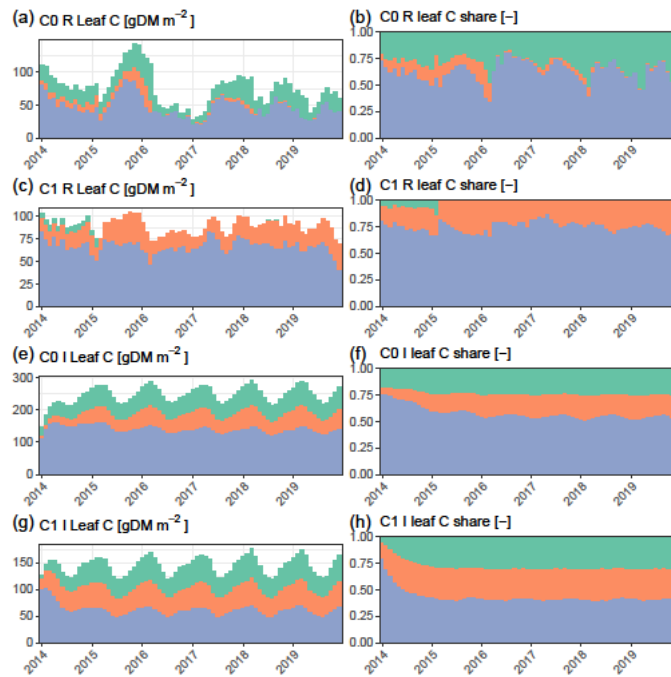


Fig. S12 Total (a,c,e,g) and fractional (b,d,f,h) monthly leaf carbon for the ungrazed (a,b,e,f) and grazed (c,d,g,h) experiment for the rainfed (a-d) and irrigated (e-h) scenarios for each PFT (colours).

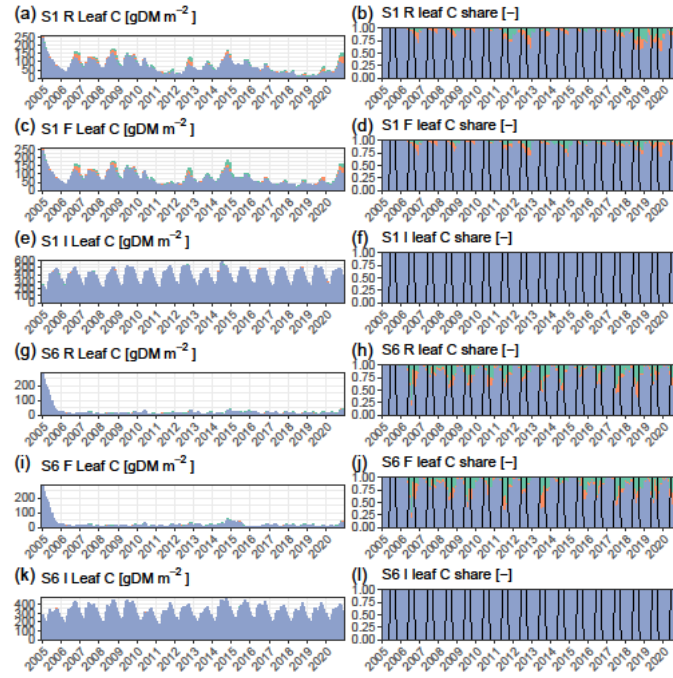


Fig. S13 Total (a,c,e,g,i,k) and fractional (b,d,f,h,j,l) monthly leaf carbon for the extensively (a-f) and intensively (g-l) grazed experiment for the rainfed (a,b,g,h), fertilized (c,d,i,j) and irrigated (e,f,k,l) scenarios for each PFT (colours).

S2 Additional tables

Table S1 Overview of the SLA and leaf longevity data obtained from the TRY database

| Name | TRY dataset ID | References |
|---|----------------|--|
| Abisko and Sheffield Database | 1 | (Cornelissen et al., 2004; Quested et al., 2003) |
| GLOPNET—Global Plant Trait Network Database | 20 | (Wright et al., 2004) |
| Sheffield Database | 37 | (Cornelissen, 1996; Cornelissen et al., 2004; Diaz et al., 2004) |
| Leaf Physiology Database | 67 | (Kattge et al., 2009) |
| Global A, N, P, SLA Database | 94 | (Reich et al., 2009) |
| Tropical Traits from West Java Database | 99 | (Shiodera et al., 2008) |
| Functional traits explaining variation in plant life history strategies | 285 | (Adler et al., 2014) |
| Plant traits of Arabidopsis thaliana | 359 | (Blonder et al., 2015) |

S3 Model development

S3.1 Phenology dependent allocation

Based on the GSI phenology (Forkel et al., 2014) we calculate the allocation of net primary productivity to leaves and roots (LR) dependent on changes in the temperature and light functions of the phenology (f) as follows:

$$LR = LR_{base} \cdot S_{light} \cdot S_{cold} \quad (S1)$$

With

$$s_i = \begin{cases} 1 + f_i & \text{if } \Delta f_i > \epsilon_i \\ 1 & \text{if } -\epsilon_i \leq \Delta f_i \leq \epsilon_i \\ 1 - f_i & \text{if } \Delta f_i < -\epsilon_i \end{cases} \quad (S2)$$

where $i \in (\text{light}, \text{cold})$, $\Delta f_i = f_{i,t} - f_{i,t-1}$, $\epsilon_{\text{light}} = 0.01$ and $\epsilon_{\text{cold}} = 0.001$.

$LR_{\text{base}} = LR_{\text{PFT}} \cdot 0.5 + (0.5) \cdot \min(w_{\text{scal}}, v_{\text{scal}})$ where w_{scal} and v_{scal} are the water and nitrogen limitation factors from the photosynthesis (Schaphoff et al., 2018; von Bloh et al., 2018).

S3.2 Manure application

Manure application was implemented as for the annual crops in LPJmL (Herzfeld et al., 2021).

Manure is applied with a C:N ratio of 10 and a NH₄ fraction of 2/3. Manure is only applied if the mowing management option is used and 24 g/m² is split across 4 applications of 8, 6, 6 and 4 g/m² on April 1st, May 31st, July 1st and August 15th. NH₄, C and N from manure are added to the first soil layer following S3-S5.

$$\Delta NH_4 = \text{manure} \cdot \text{fraction}_{NH_4} \quad (S3)$$

$$\Delta C_{\text{soil}} = \text{manure} \cdot CN_{\text{manure}} \quad (S4)$$

$$\Delta N_{\text{soil}} = \text{manure} \cdot (1 - \text{fraction}_{NH_4}) \quad (S5)$$

S4 Input data and parameters

S4.1 Climate data and preparation

Data on temperature, precipitation and for the cold steppe also shortwave radiation were available for different time periods (Table S1). For the cold steppe, data did not contain any gaps and we only had to identify and prune leap years. This is required to obtain 365 days per year time-series which are needed to run LPJmL. For pruning we dropped December 31st.

For the temperate grassland and the hot steppe, the data contained gaps that needed to be filled. Additionally, they did not contain a full calendar year at the end and/or the beginning of the time-series for which we had to extrapolate the data. We used two different procedures for the gap filling: A spline fitting (temperature) and a sampler (precipitation).

With the spline fitting we aimed to capture the seasonality trends of the observed temperature (Fig. S14 and S15) but also account for day to day variation. First, we fitted a spline to the temperature data using the smooth.spline function from the stats-package (R Core Team, 2019). Second, to account for day to day variability we scattered the data by a random value we drew from a uniform distribution in the interval x_{min} to x_{max} . For the different sites, we used different percentiles of the difference between the fitted spline and the observed data for the values for x_{min} and x_{max} (Table S1).

For the extrapolation we calculated the average for each day of the year over the time-series for the fitted spline. The values of the respective day of the year were then used for the extrapolation. This data were also scattered with the same approach as for the gap filling.

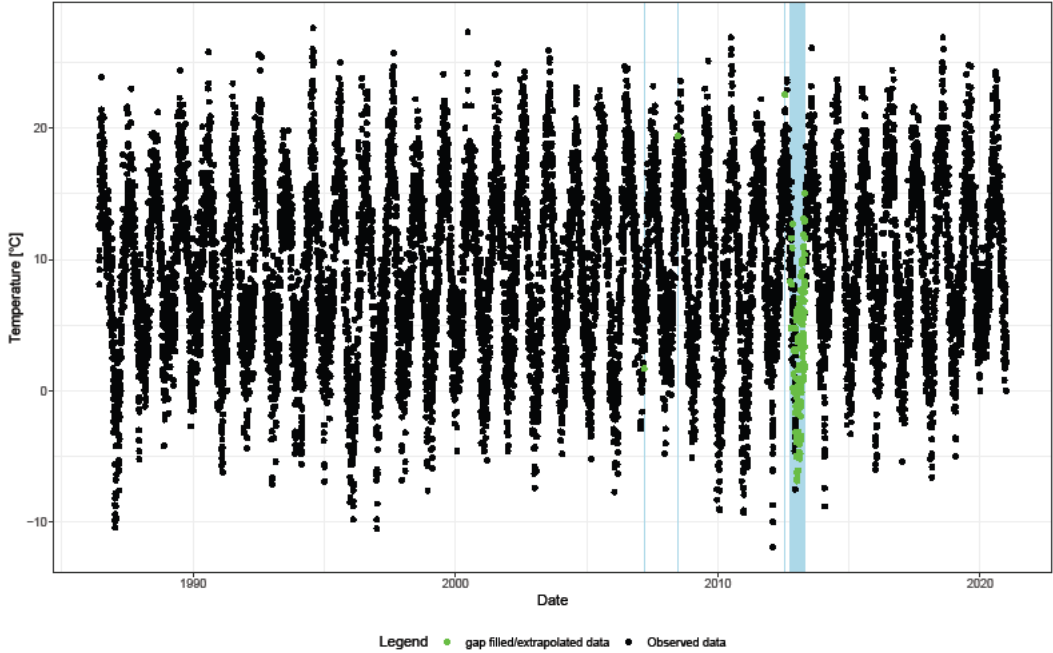


Fig. S14 Daily temperature at the temperate grassland. Colors show observed (black) and gap filled or extrapolated (green) data.

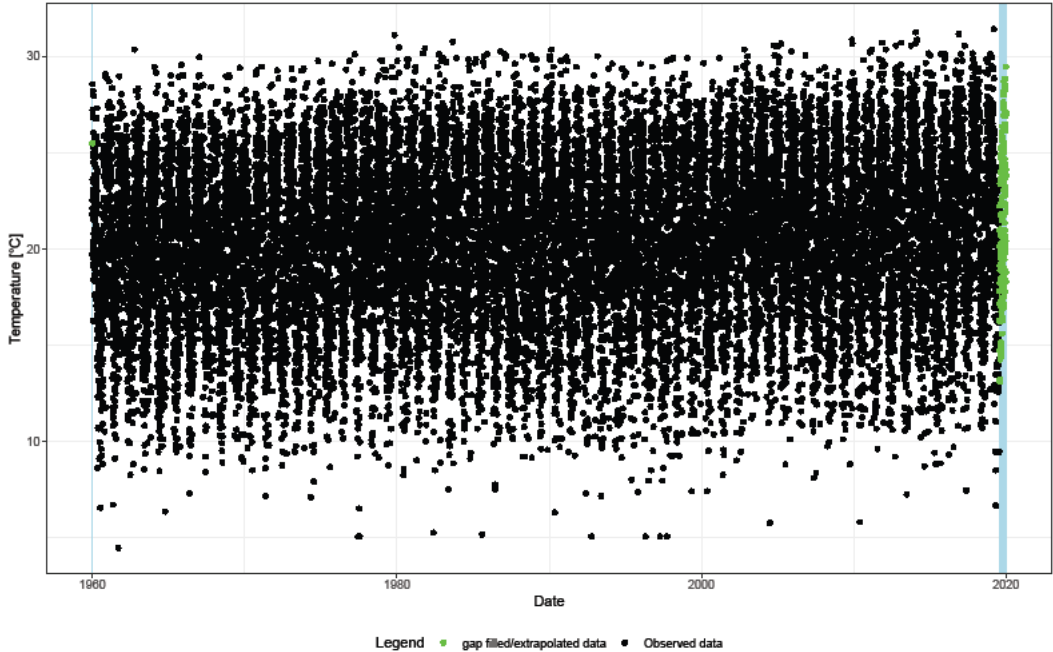


Fig. S15 Daily temperature at the hot steppe. Colors show observed (black) and gap filled or extrapolated (green) data.

For the precipitation (Fig. S16 and S17) we used a sampler for gap filling and extrapolation because the spline fitting did overestimate the number of days with precipitation. We sampled the missing values directly from the observed data at randomly drawn percentiles. This ensures, that the gap-filled data have a similar distribution compared to the original data.

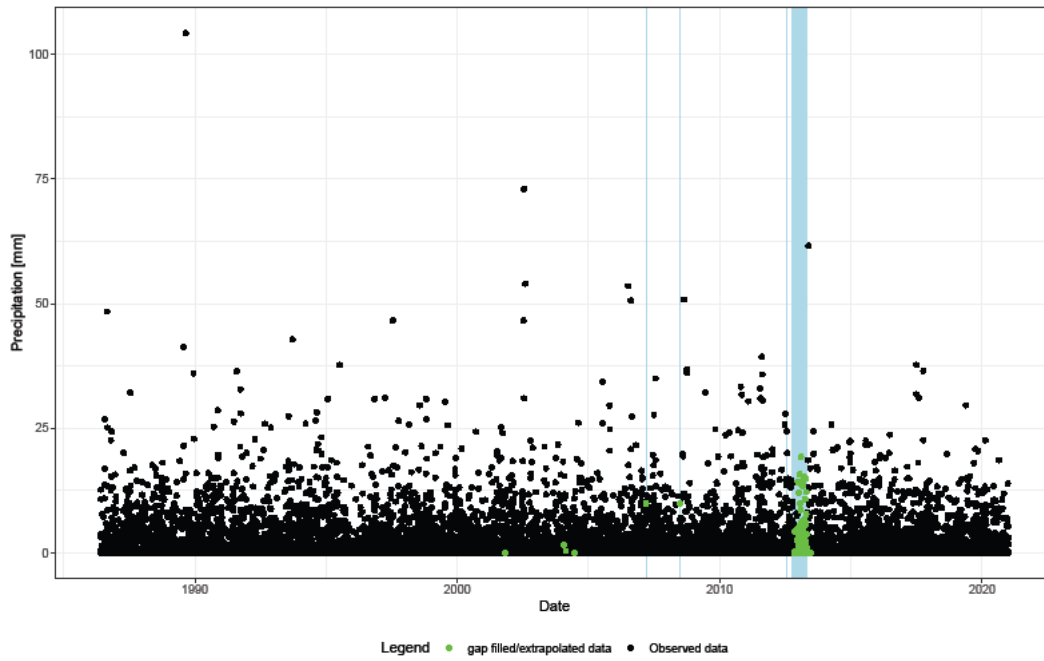


Fig. S16 Daily precipitation at the temperate grassland. Colors show observed (black) and gap filled or extrapolated (green) data.

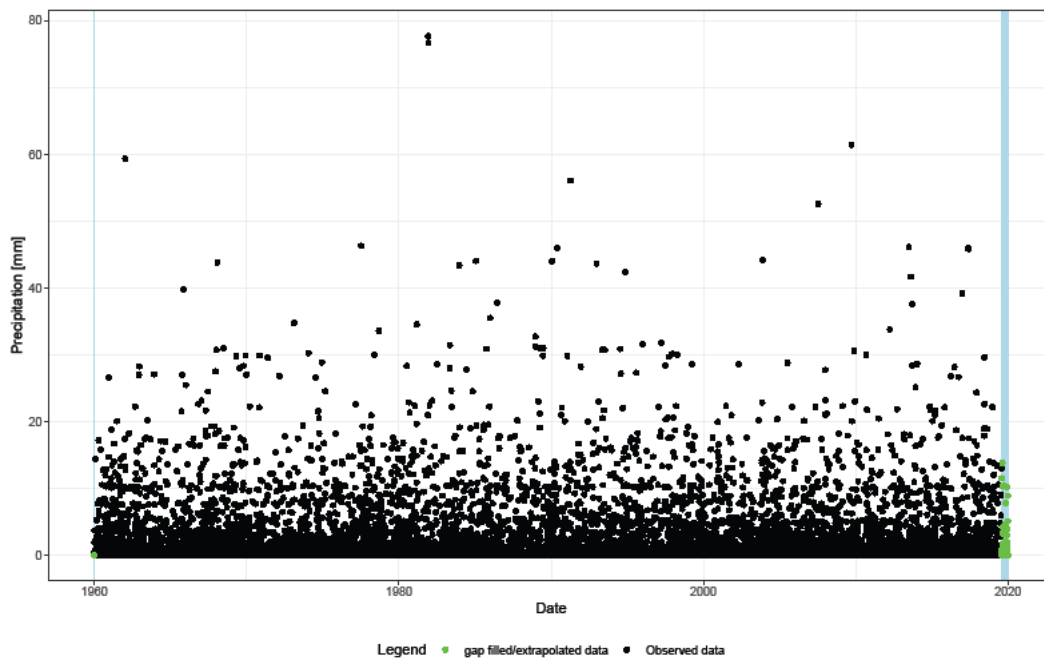


Fig. S17 Daily precipitation at the hot steppe. Colors show observed (black) and gap filled or extrapolated (green) data.

Table S2 Overview of climate products used for the simulations

| Site | Variable | Gap-filling | x_{min} to x_{max} | Extrapolation | x_{min} to x_{max} | Source |
|---------------------|---------------|-------------|--|---------------|--|---|
| Temperate grassland | Temperature | Yes | 1 st -99 th percentile | Yes | 1 st -99 th percentile | (DWD, 2021) |
| Temperate grassland | Precipitation | Yes | - | Yes | - | (DWD, 2021) |
| Temperate grassland | Radiation | No | - | No | - | - |
| Temperate grassland | Wind | No | - | No | - | - |
| Hot steppe | Temperature | No | 1 st -99 th percentile | Yes | 5 th -95 th percentile | (Munjonji et al., 2020) |
| Hot steppe | Precipitation | No | - | Yes | - | (Munjonji et al., 2020) |
| Hot steppe | Radiation | No | - | No | - | (Lange and Büchner, 2022) |
| Hot steppe | Wind | No | - | No | - | (Lange and Büchner, 2022) |
| Cold steppe | Temperature | No | - | No | - | (Hoffmann et al., 2016; Schönbach et al., 2012) |
| Cold steppe | Precipitation | No | - | No | - | (Hoffmann et al., 2016; Schönbach et al., 2012) |
| Cold steppe | Radiation | No | - | No | - | - |
| Cold steppe | Wind | No | - | No | - | (Lange and Büchner, 2022) |

S4.2 Soil texture

Data on sand, silt and clay content of the soils were used to determine the texture class and hydraulic parameters. Data for each site were available and are listed in Table S3.

Table S3 Sand, silt and clay content of the soils at each site.

| Site | Sand [%] | Silt [%] | Clay [%] | Source |
|---------------------|----------|----------|----------|--------------------------------|
| Temperate grassland | 61 | 24.2 | 14.8 | (Reinsch et al., 2018a, 2018b) |
| Hot steppe | 80 | 12 | 8 | (Munjonji et al., 2020) |
| Cold steppe | 62.7 | 16.8 | 20.5 | (Wiesmeier et al., 2011) |

S4.3 Fixed parameters

In addition to the PFT specific parameters we calibrated, we changed several parameters to capture sites specific management and history (Table S4).

Table S4 Adjusted global parameter values

| Parameter | Temperate grassland | Hot steppe | Cold steppe |
|------------------------|---------------------|------------|-------------|
| $lsuha_{spinup}$ | 1.0 | 0.1 | 1.0 |
| $animal_{bw}$ | 650 | 450 | 35 |
| $grazing_{stubble}$ | 5 | 5 | 2 |
| $nfrac_{grassharvest}$ | 1.0 | - | - |
| $first_{irrig_year}$ | - | 2014 | 2005 |

S5 R packages

We used several R packages for data handling and plotting (Table S5). The ggradar package was not loaded but the ggradar function was adapted to create ggradar_expression.

Table S5 R-packages used for pre/postprocessing and data visualisation

| Package (version) | Source |
|--|--|
| ggplot2(3.3.6), tidyr(1.1.4), dplyr(1.0.7), purr(0.3.4), readr(2.0.2), stringr(1.4.0), tibble(3.1.8) | (Wickham et al., 2019) |
| rlang(1.0.4) | (Henry et al., 2022) |
| ggtern(3.3.5) | (Hamilton and Ferry, 2018) |
| magrittr(2.0.3) | (Bache and Wickham, 2022) |
| reshape2(1.4.4) | (Wickham, 2007) |
| plyr(1.8.6) | (Wickham, 2011) |
| doParallel(1.0.16) | (Microsoft Corporation and Weston, 2020) |
| foreach(1.5.1) | (Microsoft and Weston, 2020) |
| lubridate(1.7.10) | (Grolemund and Wickham, 2011) |
| tidyselect(1.1.1) | (Henry and Wickham, 2021) |
| gridExtra(2.3) | (Auguie, 2017) |
| MASS(7.3-53.1) | (Venables and Ripley, 2002) |
| Kendall(2.2.1) | (McLeod, 2022) |
| cowplot(1.1.1) | (Wilke, 2020) |
| ggradar(0.2) | (Bion, 2022) |
| LandMark (1.2.0) | (Kowalewski et al., 2018) |
| PIKTools (1.6) | (Kowalewski and Breier, 2021) |

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