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Dear Professor Ito,

We thank you for handling our manuscript and giving us the opportunity to make a last round of corrections. We greatly appreciate your additional comments on areas the manuscript may be improved. We have reviewed your comments and please see below for our responses.

Discussion

We agree that the discussion remains too long and we have cut it down further by removing and reshaping the following sections.

Lines: 371 - 374, 383 - 385, 390 - 393, 420 - 429, 516 - 527, 561 - 564, 629 - 643, 658 - 663, 709 - 715.

We understand that the two belowground ecology sections may cause confusion. Therefore, we have renamed them to specify the sections they come under. Unfortunately, they cannot be merged as they deal with different aspects of the belowground response to warming or nitrogen addition.

Minor corrections:

1. We have re-written this section to be read as follows,
2. Thank you for this, we have gone through the references, removed random capitalization, standardized the journal names and ensured they are formatted correctly.
3. We have now amended figure 2 to correct for this oversight.



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We hope this addresses any concerns you may have with the current draft of the manuscript.

Sincerely,
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