## Appendix A

**Table A1.** The main and combined effects of water supply (control, drought), community (*L perenne* monoculture, *T repens* monoculture, *C intybus* monoculture, *T pratense* monoculture, equi-proportional mixture) and soil depth interval (0-10, 10-20, 20-30, 30-40 cm\*) on the soil moisture content and the  $\delta^{18}$ 0 of soil water in Tänikon 2011 and Reckenholz 2012.

	Tänikon 2011				Reckenholz 2012					
	-	SM(	0	δ <sup>18</sup> 0 s wate F-			SMC F-		δ <sup>18</sup> 0 soil water F-	
Model*	df	value	р	value	р	df	value	р	value	р
Water supply	1	53.3	***	136.1	***	1	627.2	*** 0.06	77.0	***
Community	4	0.6	ns	4.3	*	4	4.2	8	3.2	ns
Depth	3	3.6	*	68.1	***	4	13.8	***	105.1	***
Water supply × Community	4	0.6	ns	0.3	ns	4	2.3	ns	2.3	ns
Water supply × Depth	3	34.2	***	29.7	***	4	39.1	***	7.1	***
Community × Depth Water supply × Community ×	12	8.0	ns	1.5	ns	16	0.5	ns 0.07	2.4	**
Depth	12	0.5	ns	0.5	ns	16	1.8	3	2.0	*

<sup>\*</sup>During 2012, the 0-10 cm soil depth interval was split into 0-5 and 5-10 cm

**Table A2.** The main and combined effects of water supply (control, drought) and community (*L perenne* monoculture, *T repens* monoculture, *C intybus* monoculture, *T pratense* monoculture, equi-proportional mixture) on aboveground dry matter yield in Tänikon 2011 and Reckenholz 2012.

		Tänikon 2	011	Reckenholz 2012		
Model	df	F-value	р	F-value	р	
Water supply	1	7.3	*	41.7	***	
Community	4	28.5	***	47.4	***	
Water supply × Community	4	1.7	ns	2.7	0.08	

**Table A3.** The main and combined effects of water supply (control, drought) and species (*L perenne*, *T repens*, *C intybus*, *T pratense*) on the proportional contribution of each species to the dry matter yield of the equi-proportional mixture in Tänikon 2011 and Reckenholz 2012.

Year	_	Tänikon 2	2011	Reckenholz 2012		
Model	df	F-value	р	F-value	р	
Water supply	1	0.0	ns	0.0	ns	
Species	3	42.3	***	14.0	***	
Water supply × Species	3	3.8	*	0.2	ns	

**Table A4.** The main and combined effects of water supply (control, drought), diversity (monoculture, mixture) and species\* (*L perenne*, *T repens*, *C intybus*, *T pratense*) on the proportional water uptake from the 0-10 cm soil depth interval (PCWU<sub>0-10</sub>) and the inferred depth of water uptake in Tänikon 2011 and Reckenholz 2012.

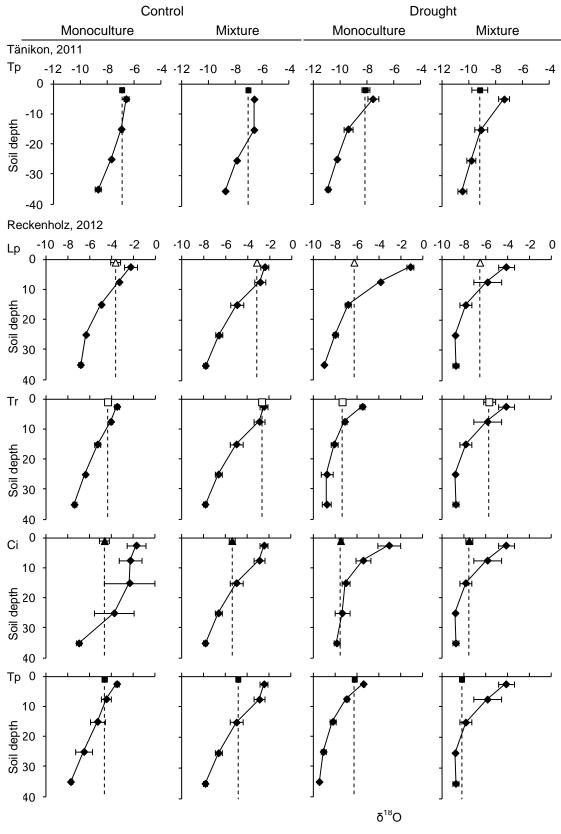
	Model		•	uptake from 0 cm	Inferred depth of water uptake		
Year		df	F-value	р	F-value	р	
2011	Water supply	1	0.0	ns	0.5	ns	
	Diversity	1	92.8	**	6.4	0.06	
	Water supply × Diversity	1	29.4	*	0.4	ns	
2012	Water supply	1	4.5	0.07	0.0	ns	
	Species	3	10.9	**	12.3	**	
	Diversity	1	0.0	ns	0.2	ns	
	Water supply × Species	3	1.3	ns	1.8	ns	
	Water supply × Diversity	1	0.0	ns	0.1	ns	
	Species × Diversity Water supply × Species ×	3	10.0	**	5.7	*	
	Diversity	3	3.7	0.05	1.9	ns	

\*For 2011, only data for one species (T pratense) were available, and the factor species was omitted from the model.

**Table A5.** The main and combined effects of water supply (control, drought), diversity (monoculture, mixture) and species pair (*L perenne–T repens, L perenne–C intybus, L perenne–T pratense; T repens–C intybus, T repens–T pratense* and *C intybus–T pratense*) or rooting-depth pair (shallow, mixed, deep\*) on the proportional similarity of the proportional water uptake from the 0-10 cm and 10-40 cm soil depth intervals in Reckenholz 2012.

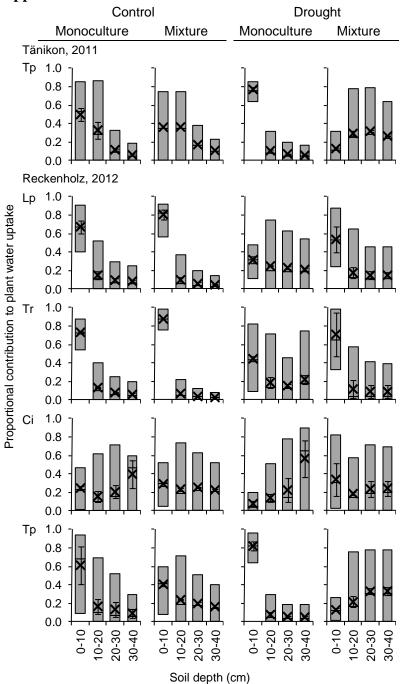
	df	F-value	р		df	F-value	р
Water supply	1	0.8	ns	Water supply	1	0.9	ns
Diversity	1	0.0	ns	Diversity	1	0.0	ns
Species pair	5	2.4	0.05	RD pair Water supply ×	2	5.8	**
Water supply x Diversity	1	3.0	ns	Diversity	1	1.8	ns
Diversity × Species pair	5	7.5	***	Diversity × RD pair Water supply × RD	2	9.1	***
Water supply × Species pair	5	5.3	**	pair	2	2.3	ns

<sup>\*</sup>Rooting-depth pairs: shallow (*L perenne–T repens*), mixed (*L perenne–C intybus*, *L perenne–T pratense*, *T repens–C intybus*, *T repens–T pratense*) and deep (*C intybus–T pratense*).



**Figure B1.** Mean (±SE, n = 2 for all soils and plants, n = 1 for plants in the case of Tänikon-T pratense-Control-Mixture and Reckenholz-T repens-Control-Mixture)  $\delta^{18}$ O values of soil water ( $\_$ , ◆) and plant xylem water for the shallow rooting (Lp = L perenne  $\triangle$  and Tp = T repens □) and deep rooting (Ci = C intybus  $\blacktriangle$  and Tp = T pratense  $\blacksquare$ ) species grown in monoculture or mixture under control or drought conditions in Tänikon, 2011 and Reckenholz, 2012. The point at which the  $\delta^{18}$ O signature of the plant xylem ( $\_$ ) intersects with the soil water  $\delta^{18}$ O line ( $\_$ ) corresponds to the estimated mean depth of water uptake (see Fig. 2a-e).

## Appendix C



**Figure C1.** Box plots of the proportional contribution of each soil layer (0-10, 10-20, 20-30 and 30-40 cm) to plant water uptake of the shallow rooting species (Lp = L perenne and Tr = T repens) and the deep rooting species (Ci = C intybus and Tp = T pratense) grown in monoculture or mixture under control and drought conditions in Tänikon (2011) or Reckenholz (2012). Lower, middle and upper boundaries of the bars represent the 1<sup>st</sup> percentile,  $50^{th}$  percentile and  $99^{th}$  percentile of the proportional contribution, respectively. The mean (×) and SE of the mean proportional contribution (n = 2 in all cases except for Tänikon-T pratense-control-mixture and Reckenholz-T repens-control-mixture, where n = 1) are also included.