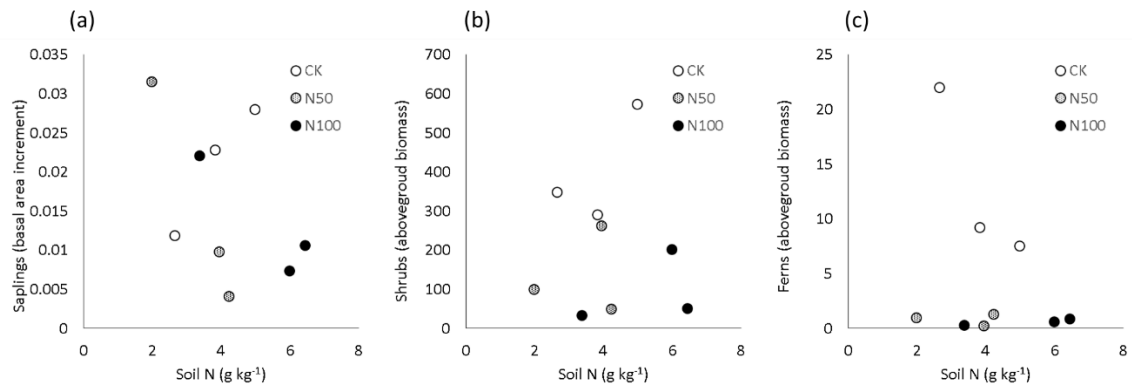


## Supplemental information



**Fig. S1. Relationship between soil N (soil total N) and (a) saplings (basal area increment), (b) shrubs (aboveground biomass), and (c) ferns (aboveground biomass). The figures were drawn using data in Tian et al. (2017)'s Supplement.**