

Supplement

Recently fixed carbon fuels microbial activity several meters below the soil surface

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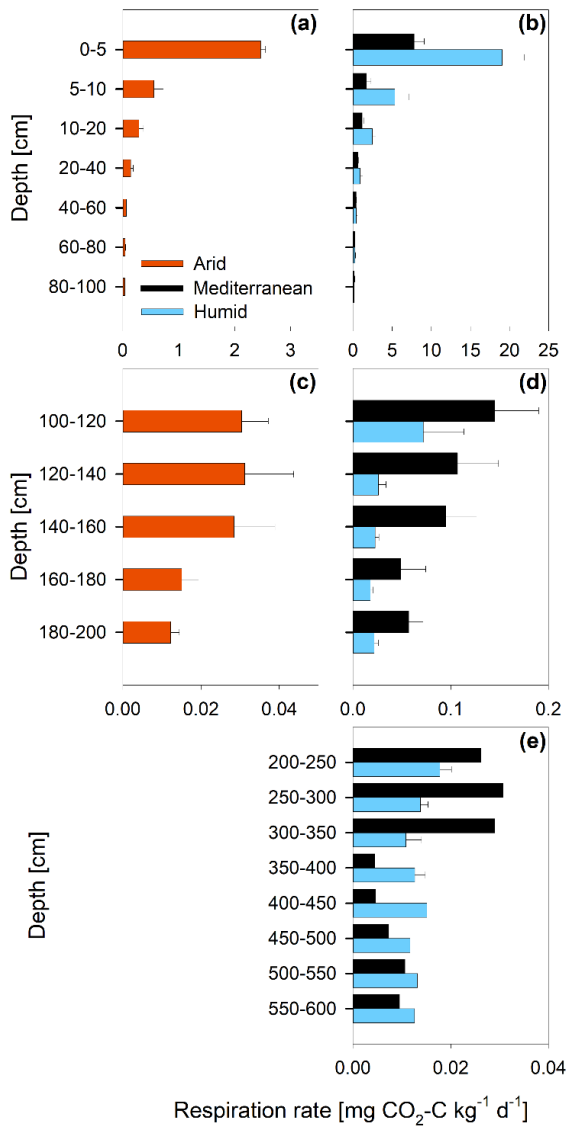


Figure S1: Soil respiration rate (mean \pm standard error) of soil depth increments down to (a, b) 100 cm, (c, d) 200 cm, and (e) 600 cm depth at three sites (arid, mediterranean, humid) located along a precipitation gradient in the Coastal Cordillera of Chile (0-200 cm: n = 3, except for humid site with n = 4; > 200 cm: n = 1, except for humid site 200-400 cm with n = 2).

25 **Table S1:** Percentage (% (w/w)) of soil fine fraction (<2 mm; mean \pm standard error) in soils at three sites (arid, mediterranean, humid) located along a precipitation gradient in the Coastal Cordillera of Chile (0–200 cm: n = 3, except for humid site with n = 4; 200–600 cm: n = 1, except for humid site 200–400 cm with n = 2).

Depth [cm]	Fine fraction (< 2 mm) [%]		
	Arid	Mediterranean	Humid
0 - 5	87.2 \pm 3.0	97.8 \pm 1.5	92.7 \pm 2.2
5 - 10	87.3 \pm 2.0	98.4 \pm 1.1	91.4 \pm 1.9
10 - 20	83.5 \pm 2.0	98.7 \pm 1.1	91.1 \pm 1.6
20 - 40	68.9 \pm 9.5	99.3 \pm 0.4	83.3 \pm 10.0
40 - 60	59.7 \pm 8.2	99.7 \pm 0.03	87.0 \pm 2.8
60 - 80	59.3 \pm 6.7	99.6 \pm 0.1	88.8 \pm 3.9
80 - 100	59.2 \pm 8.1	99.4 \pm 0.1	78.3 \pm 4.2
100 - 120	61.8 \pm 5.8	98.6 \pm 0.4	73.7 \pm 10.8
120 - 140	54.1 \pm 1.9	98.2 \pm 0.7	77.3 \pm 8.2
140 - 160	53.6 \pm 4.8	97.6 \pm 0.7	84.9 \pm 2.7
160 - 180	50.7 \pm 2.9	96.6 \pm 1.2	88.7 \pm 3.2
180 - 200	46.7 \pm 0.8	96.1 \pm 1.4	86.6 \pm 1.9
200 - 250		95.6	86.8 \pm 2.5
250 - 300		94.4	82.3 \pm 0.9
300 - 350		93.0	81.0 \pm 2.6
350 - 400		93.7	80.6 \pm 3.3
400 - 450		95.2	72.3
450 - 500		96.0	77.2
500 - 550		94.5	77.7
550 - 600		96.2	71.9