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Supplementary information

Appendix S1

Calculating above ground woody productivity (W_P) from inventory data following Talbot et al. (2014)

Above ground productivity was summed over four components: the growth of surviving trees during the census interval, the biomass of new recruits, the growth of trees that died during the census interval prior to their death, and the growth of unobserved recruits that also subsequently died during the monitoring period. We consider each component in turn.

Growth for each surviving tree with a diameter at breast height (dbh) ≥ 10 cm in both censuses was calculated as the difference in biomass estimates at each census using Equation 1 (Chave et. al., 2005).

The total biomass of new recruits, i.e. trees which surpassed 10 cm dbh during the census interval, was used to estimate their contribution to woody productivity. Assuming that the forest is at equilibrium, this procedure effectively accounts for the growth of stems smaller than 10 cm diameter in the final estimate of stand-level, woody productivity (Talbot et. al. 2014).

For trees that were observed in the first census but died during the monitoring period, it was assumed that they died at the mid-point of the interval and thus grew for half of the interval length. The growth rate assigned to these trees was the median growth rate of the size class (10-19.9 cm; 20-39.9 cm or 40+ cm) of each dead tree.

Some trees are likely to have grown beyond 10 cm diameter during the census interval, and then died before they were recorded (Talbot et al. 2014). The number of such ‘unobserved recruits’ (U) was estimated as:

$$U = N \times M \times R \times t$$

where N equals the number of stems in the plot, M is the mean mortality rate, R is the mean recruitment rate and t is the census interval length. The contribution of U to total woody

productivity was calculated by assigning these stems the median growth rate of trees in the 10-20 cm size class, and assuming that the recruits grow over only one-third of the census interval.

These four components were summed to give plot total productivity. For plots with multiple censuses, productivity was calculated for each census interval and an overall plot-level mean was calculated across all censuses, weighted by census interval length.

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Appendix S2

Description of the four DVGMs

Four dynamic global vegetation models were used in this study: JULES (Best et al. 2011, Clarke et al. 2011), INLAND (Costa et al., in prep), LPJml (Sitch et al. 2003, Gerten et al. 2004, Bondeau et al. 2007) and ORCHIDEE (Krinner et al. 2005). The Joint UK Land Environment Simulator (JULES) is the UK community land surface model (Best et al. 2011, Clark et al. 2011) and the land surface scheme for the Hadley Centre climate model. It is closely based on the MOSES-TRIFFID land surface scheme (Cox 2001), which was used in some of the first studies that predicted 'die-back' of the Amazon region. This study utilized version 2.1 of JULES. The Integrated Model of Land Surface Processes (INLAND) is the land surface module currently under development for the Brazilian Earth System Model, within the Brazilian scientific community. It is originally based on IBIS model (Foley et al., 1996, Kucharik et al., 2000), and further adapted with special focus on the representation of tropical ecosystems of South America. The Lund-Potsdam-Jena Dynamic Global Vegetation Model for managed Land (LPJmL DGVM) is a process-based vegetation and hydrology model that builds upon the original LPJ model by including processes linked to land management. LPJ has been previously used in a number of studies investigating the dynamics of Amazonian rainforests under alternative climate regimes (e.g. Galbraith et al. 2010, Rammig et al. 2010, Poulter et al. 2010). The ORCHIDEE model consists of a DGVM coupled to the SECHIBA land-

surface model (Ducoudré et al., 1993). ORCHIDEE has been previously evaluated against data from flux tower sites (Verbeeck et al. 2011) and forest plot data (Delbart et al. 2010).

For each of the four DGVMs, we present brief descriptions of the key processes that affect biomass dynamics, including photosynthesis, carbon allocation and carbon turnover, as well as the treatment of plant functional types (PFTs). For full descriptions of the models, readers should refer to the original publications.

JULES

JULES simulates five PFTs: broadleaf trees, needleleaf trees, shrubs, C3 grasses and C4 grasses, which compete with each other following Lotka-Volterra dynamics (Cox 2001). Over Amazonia, broadleaf trees are the dominant plant functional type. In our simulations, a four-layer soil model is simulated with a total depth of 10 m, although individual plant functional types differ in their rooting depth. Net leaf photosynthesis is calculated based on Collatz et al. (1991, 1992). Leaf photosynthesis is coupled to stomatal conductance through the leaf internal CO₂ concentration, calculated using the approach of Jacobs et al. (1994). Leaf photosynthesis is scaled to canopy level using a multi-layer approach which adopts the 2-stream approximation of radiation interception from Sellers et al. (1985). JULES simulates 3 vegetation pools (foliage, roots and wood), with maintenance respiration for each pool calculated dependent on tissue temperature and nitrogen content. Carbon fluxes from JULES are accumulated and passed to the TRIFFID vegetation dynamics model every 10 days. NPP is partitioned into a fraction used for growth of existing vegetation and a fraction for ‘spreading’ (Clark et al. 2011), based on the leaf area index. Tree mortality is not explicitly considered in the model. Biomass losses occur via turnover of carbon pools, each with specific turnover times, and prescribed large-scale disturbance rates.

INLAND

INLAND simulates 12 different PFTs competing for available resources within the grid cell and the relative success of each PFT determines its fractional coverage. The model allows trees and herbaceous plants or grasses to experience different light and water availability: while trees in the upper canopy have priority to capture available light (thus shading the shrubs and grasses in the lower part of the canopy), the herbaceous plants are able to capture soil water first when it infiltrates the ground (Foley et al., 1996).

INLAND uses the mechanistic treatment of canopy photosynthesis proposed by Farquhar et al. (1980) and the semi-mechanistic Ball-Berry approach to estimate stomatal conductance (Ball et al. 1987; Collatz et al. 1991, 1992), computing gross photosynthesis, maintenance respiration and growth respiration to yield the annual carbon balance for each PFT. The vegetation dynamics module simulates biomass changes for each PFT on a yearly time step. Net primary productivity (NPP) is allocated to individual biomass pools (leaves, roots, wood) according to fixed allocation coefficients. Mortality is not explicitly modelled. Instead, biomass losses occur via turnover of the existing carbon pool, according to fixed turnover rates as well as via large-scale disturbance caused by fire or land use change.

LPJmL

In LPJmL, most physiological and hydrological processes are simulated at daily time steps, whereas vegetation dynamics and PFT composition are updated annually. Natural vegetation is represented by nine plant functional types (PFTs) which describe the main characteristics of plants within the different biomes across the globe. Over Amazonia, the dominant PFTs are tropical evergreen trees and tropical raingreen trees. Photosynthesis is based on the Farquhar model approach (Farquhar et al., 1980; Farquhar and Von Caemmerer, 1982) with air temperature and radiation controlling photosynthetic activity at the leaf level. Transpiration and photosynthesis are coupled through stomatal conductance of the leaves, where increasing transpirational losses or carbon starvation due to closed stomata can reduce NPP under drought conditions or high temperatures. With continued drought depleting soil water storage, tropical raingreen trees shed their leaves during the dry season to avoid carbon loss and mortality. Tropical evergreen broadleaf trees keep their leaves and are thus usually outcompeted in a seasonal dry tropical climate.

Carbon gained is allocated annually to the living carbon pools where basic allometric relations between crown area, tree height and stem diameter are met (Sitch et al. 2003). The pipe model ensures that each unit of leaf area is supported by a corresponding area of transport tissue, i.e. the sapwood cross-sectional area. Canopy closure is assumed but no crown overlap is permitted. Furthermore, plants can invest more carbon to fine roots under water-limited conditions to reduce drought risks. This term is parameterized for each PFT.

Tree mortality results from heat stress, fire and light competition. The latter can occur due to low growth efficiency or thinning effects. Mortality from heat stress occurs when a PFT-specific

temperature is crossed (Sitch et al. 2003), and individuals lost through fire are quantified by a PFT-specific parameter describing fire intensity and severity (Thonicke et al. 2001).

ORCHIDEE

Photosynthesis in ORCHIDEE is simulated following the formulations of Farquhar et al. (1980) and Collatz et al. (1992), while stomatal conductance is computed via the technique of Ball et al. (1987). Maintenance respiration of plant pools in ORCHIDEE is calculated using PFT-specific functions of (a) temperature and biomass and (b) nitrogen/carbon ratios (see Ruimy et al., 1996). Soil layering characteristics are site dependent, with rooting distributions determined by availability of water, light and nitrogen. By definition, vegetation phenology is prognostic and is based on PFT-specific temperature and moisture constraints (Krinner et al., 2005). With respect to biomass pools, the model consists of four separate carbon pools, plus total soil carbon (Verbeeck et al., 2011). Representation of vegetation dynamics and disturbance follows the approach described in the LPJ model (Sitch et al., 2003). For the simulations in this study an 11 layer soil hydrology scheme was used (Guimberteau et al. 2012).

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Table S1. Aboveground biomass (AGB), woody productivity (W_P) and woody biomass losses (W_L) for 167 forest plots across Amazonia. AGB data is the same as in Mitchard et al. (2014). For the data on forest dynamics, the mean date of the first census is 2000.2 and the mean date of the final census is 2008.5; mean census interval length is 3.70 years and plot mean total monitoring period is 8.3 years. Regions (see also Fig. 1) are Western Amazonia (W), the Brazilian Shield (BrSh), East Central Amazonia (EC) and the Guiana Shield (GuSh).

Plot code	Region	Latitude deg.	Longitude deg.	AGB Mg ha ⁻¹	W_P Mg C ha ⁻¹ a ⁻¹	W_L Mg C ha ⁻¹ a ⁻¹	μ % yr ⁻¹
AGJ-01	W	-11.9	-71.3	136.08	2.06	1.90	2.21
AGP-01	W	-3.7	-70.3	127.04	3.55	2.70	1.28
AGP-02	W	-3.7	-70.3	128.79	4.34	6.16	4.75
ALF-01	BrSh	-9.6	-55.9	97.25	1.79	0.96	1.29
ALM-01	W	-11.8	-71.5	125.60	2.97	2.91	1.82
ALP-10	W	-3.9	-73.4	142.94	3.42	2.95	2.89
ALP-11	W	-3.9	-73.4	130.51	3.42	2.95	2.89
ALP-20	W	-3.9	-73.4	115.66	3.38	3.75	2.20
ALP-21	W	-3.9	-73.4	130.82	3.38	3.75	2.20
ALP-30	W	-3.9	-73.4	111.16	2.52	2.90	1.57
ALP-40	W	-3.9	-73.4	106.32	3.74	1.06	1.47
BAC-01	W	7.5	-71.0	107.45	3.27	1.91	3.24
BAC-02	W	7.5	-71.0	94.96	2.39	0.51	3.92
BAC-03	W	7.5	-71.0	197.31	2.90	0.63	2.49
BAC-04	W	7.5	-71.0	151.18	2.61	0.63	2.29
BAC-05	W	7.5	-71.0	57.09	2.25	1.97	4.26
BAC-06	W	7.5	-71.0	129.16	3.24	3.10	2.58
BAR-01	W	-11.9	-71.4	167.28	4.00	1.80	1.51
BDF-01	EC	-2.3	-60.1	172.58	2.27	1.84	1.09
BDF-03	EC	-2.4	-59.8	160.11	3.00	2.74	1.47
BDF-04	EC	-2.4	-59.8	148.84	2.45	2.45	2.15
BDF-05	EC	-2.4	-59.8	133.94	1.86	1.28	1.40
BDF-06	EC	-2.4	-59.9	141.88	2.97	2.43	1.58
BDF-07	EC	-2.4	-59.9	163.66	2.45	1.71	1.19
BDF-08	EC	-2.4	-59.9	157.74	2.07	2.33	1.53
BDF-09	EC	-2.4	-59.9	179.65	2.53	1.92	1.22
BDF-10	EC	-2.4	-59.9	147.97	2.04	1.68	1.25
BDF-11	EC	-2.4	-59.9	174.16	1.93	1.51	1.11
BDF-12	EC	-2.4	-59.9	202.89	2.24	3.58	1.53
BDF-13	EC	-2.4	-59.9	166.76	2.40	2.13	1.18
BDF-14	EC	-2.4	-60.0	173.06	1.99	1.77	0.74
BEE-01	W	-16.5	-64.6	113.01	3.13	1.33	1.83
BEE-05	W	-16.5	-64.6	102.00	3.33	1.57	1.74

Plot code	Region	Latitude deg.	Longitude deg.	AGB Mg ha ⁻¹	W _p Mg C ha ⁻¹ a ⁻¹	W _i Mg C ha ⁻¹ a ⁻¹	μ % yr ⁻¹
BNT-01	EC	-2.6	-60.2	169.78	2.23	1.74	1.02
BNT-02	EC	-2.6	-60.2	164.64	2.21	1.62	0.78
BNT-04	EC	-2.6	-60.2	146.73	2.40	1.29	1.11
BOG-01	W	-0.7	-76.5	136.12	4.30	3.23	2.30
BOG-02	W	-0.7	-76.5	99.16	3.54	2.97	2.63
CAI-04	W	8.7	-70.1	121.08	4.17	2.20	5.64
CAX-01	EC	-1.7	-51.5	184.55	2.67	1.20	0.79
CAX-02	EC	-1.7	-51.5	181.91	2.56	3.14	1.38
CAX-06	EC	-1.7	-51.5	205.79	2.72	4.43	1.36
CAX-08	EC	-1.8	-51.5	117.01	3.44	1.20	2.05
CHO-01	BrSh	-14.4	-61.2	54.82	1.85	1.81	5.37
CPP-01	BrSh	-1.8	-47.1	161.18	2.50	1.77	1.72
CRP-01	BrSh	-14.5	-61.5	76.00	1.68	1.48	2.65
CRP-02	BrSh	-14.5	-61.5	90.99	2.59	2.15	2.67
CUZ-01	W	-12.5	-69.1	126.43	2.87	4.16	5.33
CUZ-02	W	-12.5	-69.1	116.63	2.85	2.25	2.30
CUZ-03	W	-12.5	-69.1	107.97	3.06	1.94	2.06
CUZ-04	W	-12.5	-69.1	130.38	3.80	3.92	3.13
DOI-01	W	-10.6	-68.3	114.99	2.46	1.67	1.95
DOI-02	W	-10.5	-68.3	73.76	2.51	2.12	5.59
ECE-01	W	10.7	-75.3	62.51	1.77	0.81	0.68
ELD-01	GuSh	6.1	-61.4	216.26	5.25	3.45	1.67
ELD-02	GuSh	6.1	-61.4	258.82	3.46	0.22	0.43
ELD-03	GuSh	6.1	-61.4	136.48	4.30	8.48	2.99
ELD-04	GuSh	6.1	-61.3	145.73	3.79	2.58	1.41
FMH-01	GuSh	5.2	-58.7	373.44	3.91	0.42	0.10
GMT-01	EC	-1.1	-47.8	159.82	3.52	3.10	1.58
IWO-21	GuSh	4.6	-58.7	188.88	2.51	1.20	0.79
IWO-22	GuSh	4.6	-58.7	296.91	2.35	0.77	0.50
JAC-01	EC	-2.6	-60.2	145.09	2.22	2.08	1.20
JAC-02	EC	-2.6	-60.2	142.69	2.19	2.15	1.34
JAS-02	W	-1.1	-77.6	112.42	3.56	5.41	3.56
JAS-03	W	-1.1	-77.6	115.79	3.55	1.57	1.48
JAS-04	W	-1.1	-77.6	140.56	4.51	1.83	1.39
JEN-11	W	-4.9	-73.6	135.42	2.85	3.40	2.40
JEN-12	W	-4.9	-73.6	117.78	2.08	1.17	1.06
LAS-02	W	-12.6	-70.1	122.63	3.09	2.62	2.51
LCA-13	BrSh	-15.7	-62.8	81.28	2.31	1.38	2.55
LCA-16	BrSh	-15.7	-62.8	52.06	2.42	1.53	3.30
LFB-01	BrSh	-14.6	-60.8	113.98	2.72	1.38	3.26
LFB-02	BrSh	-14.6	-60.8	136.27	2.97	2.20	3.06
LOR-01	W	-3.1	-70.0	136.95	4.60	8.22	2.45
LOR-02	W	-3.1	-70.0	143.84	3.57	1.37	2.53
LSL-01	BrSh	-14.4	-61.1	68.22	2.46	1.67	3.55
LSL-02	BrSh	-14.4	-61.1	76.27	3.15	0.96	1.83
MBT-01	W	-10.1	-65.9	102.75	2.13	1.00	1.62

Plot code	Region	Latitude deg.	Longitude deg.	AGB Mg ha ⁻¹	W _p Mg C ha ⁻¹ a ⁻¹	W _i Mg C ha ⁻¹ a ⁻¹	μ % yr ⁻¹
MBT-04	W	-10.3	-65.5	115.98	2.65	1.33	1.18
MBT-05	W	-10.0	-65.6	140.96	3.36	0.68	1.04
MBT-06	W	-10.0	-65.6	115.24	3.04	1.00	1.40
MBT-08	W	-9.9	-65.8	90.75	1.49	1.13	1.76
MIN-01	W	-8.6	-72.9	105.40	2.94	2.23	2.27
MNU-01	W	-11.9	-71.4	148.52	3.38	2.37	2.27
MNU-03	W	-11.9	-71.4	112.07	3.43	3.53	3.28
MNU-04	W	-11.9	-71.4	92.57	1.17	1.05	2.10
MNU-05	W	-11.9	-71.4	172.18	2.90	4.21	2.49
MNU-06	W	-11.9	-71.4	139.33	2.94	3.90	2.19
MNU-09	W	-12.0	-71.2	148.51	3.19	3.02	2.47
MTH-01	W	-8.9	-72.8	78.43	2.62	1.95	3.25
NOU-01	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	215.34	5.30	2.38	1.41
NOU-02	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	220.03	4.35	1.95	1.03
NOU-03	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	295.20	4.78	3.94	1.35
NOU-04	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	196.49	4.84	2.53	1.77
NOU-05	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	158.21	3.70	4.77	1.84
NOU-06	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	151.88	4.13	2.56	2.05
NOU-07	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	141.21	3.47	2.35	1.56
NOU-08	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	165.06	3.85	2.57	1.68
NOU-09	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	132.01	3.79	3.70	1.42
NOU-10	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	145.13	3.39	3.36	1.79
NOU-11	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	252.92	4.17	1.63	1.22
NOU-12	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	205.57	3.60	2.26	1.36
NOU-13	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	217.41	3.18	1.80	1.05
NOU-14	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	208.95	2.79	4.44	1.60
NOU-15	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	200.73	2.57	2.35	1.36
NOU-16	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	152.96	3.04	3.86	1.84
NOU-17	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	231.81	4.06	1.03	0.77
NOU-18	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	220.91	3.29	0.81	0.45
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NOU-22	GuSh	4.1	-52.7	231.78	3.08	3.99	1.43
PAR-20	GuSh	5.3	-52.9	239.93	2.22	16.69	4.94
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PAR-23	GuSh	5.3	-52.9	189.84	3.11	0.99	0.85
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PAR-26	GuSh	5.3	-52.9	192.30	2.48	4.25	2.62
PAR-27	GuSh	5.3	-52.9	181.93	2.29	3.42	1.16
PAR-28	GuSh	5.3	-52.9	228.39	2.50	1.13	0.86
PAR-29	GuSh	5.3	-52.9	257.82	2.95	0.72	0.63
PNY-04	W	-10.3	-75.2	107.40	2.80	4.04	4.66
POR-01	W	-10.8	-68.8	152.27	3.13	2.06	2.31
POR-02	W	-10.8	-68.8	103.36	2.72	2.21	2.72

Plot code	Region	Latitude deg.	Longitude deg.	AGB Mg ha ⁻¹	W _p Mg C ha ⁻¹ a ⁻¹	W _i Mg C ha ⁻¹ a ⁻¹	μ % yr ⁻¹
PTB-01	EC	-1.2	-56.4	213.27	2.16	4.38	1.76
PTB-02	EC	-1.5	-56.4	115.79	3.21	1.70	2.11
RET-05	W	-11.0	-65.7	119.59	2.80	2.20	2.11
RET-06	W	-11.0	-65.7	141.46	2.67	1.92	2.51
RET-08	W	-11.0	-65.7	134.75	2.36	1.27	2.17
RET-09	W	-11.0	-65.7	136.95	2.49	1.20	1.89
RFH-01	W	-9.8	-67.7	137.67	2.43	6.01	2.80
RIO-01	GuSh	8.1	-61.7	222.48	3.92	4.55	1.52
RIO-02	GuSh	8.1	-61.7	222.09	3.99	2.87	1.90
RST-01	W	-9.0	-72.3	108.49	3.19	1.96	1.66
SCR-05	GuSh	1.9	-67.0	191.71	3.16	1.87	0.74
SCT-01	W	-17.1	-64.8	98.55	2.86	2.42	2.75
SCT-06	W	-17.1	-64.8	94.54	3.53	3.28	4.41
SUC-01	W	-3.2	-72.9	133.45	3.45	3.19	1.98
SUC-02	W	-3.2	-72.9	135.35	3.16	3.38	2.22
SUC-03	W	-3.2	-72.9	144.43	2.66	2.12	2.45
SUC-04	W	-3.2	-72.9	141.05	3.19	2.32	1.59
SUC-05	W	-3.3	-72.9	134.98	3.45	1.78	1.73
TAM-01	W	-12.8	-69.3	114.18	2.60	1.48	1.61
TAM-02	W	-12.8	-69.3	123.42	2.61	2.03	1.83
TAM-03	W	-12.8	-69.3	144.54	2.55	0.70	0.86
TAM-04	W	-12.8	-69.3	134.34	3.94	2.48	2.18
TAM-05	W	-12.8	-69.3	118.71	3.36	1.92	2.34
TAM-06	W	-12.8	-69.3	126.47	3.17	1.38	1.46
TAM-07	W	-12.8	-69.3	128.15	3.03	4.23	2.69
TAM-08	W	-12.8	-69.3	108.49	2.96	2.26	2.22
TEC-01	EC	-1.7	-51.5	194.01	2.45	3.58	1.48
TEC-02	EC	-1.7	-51.5	230.64	2.69	1.25	0.45
TEC-03	EC	-1.7	-51.5	250.72	1.83	1.50	0.90
TEC-04	EC	-1.7	-51.5	202.24	2.51	2.85	1.22
TEC-05	EC	-1.8	-51.6	232.97	2.49	0.61	0.78
TEC-06	EC	-1.7	-51.4	165.97	2.21	2.79	1.57
TEM-01	EC	-3.0	-59.9	182.50	2.42	3.11	1.35
TEM-02	EC	-3.0	-59.9	165.75	2.01	0.74	0.50
TEM-03	EC	-2.4	-59.9	136.72	1.79	0.42	0.58
TEM-04	EC	-2.4	-59.8	121.81	2.36	0.82	1.03
TEM-05	EC	-2.6	-60.2	132.14	2.66	3.57	2.07
TEM-06	EC	-2.6	-60.1	125.80	1.88	1.84	1.34
TIP-02	W	-0.6	-76.1	94.25	2.65	1.79	1.70
TIP-03	W	-0.6	-76.1	124.12	3.78	2.02	2.55
YAN-01	W	-3.4	-72.8	132.79	3.68	3.32	2.45
YAN-02	W	-3.4	-72.8	138.46	3.69	1.87	1.30

Figure S1. Cumulative number of plots monitored during 2000-8, and census periods covered by all plots used in this study. Period of model simulations also shown.

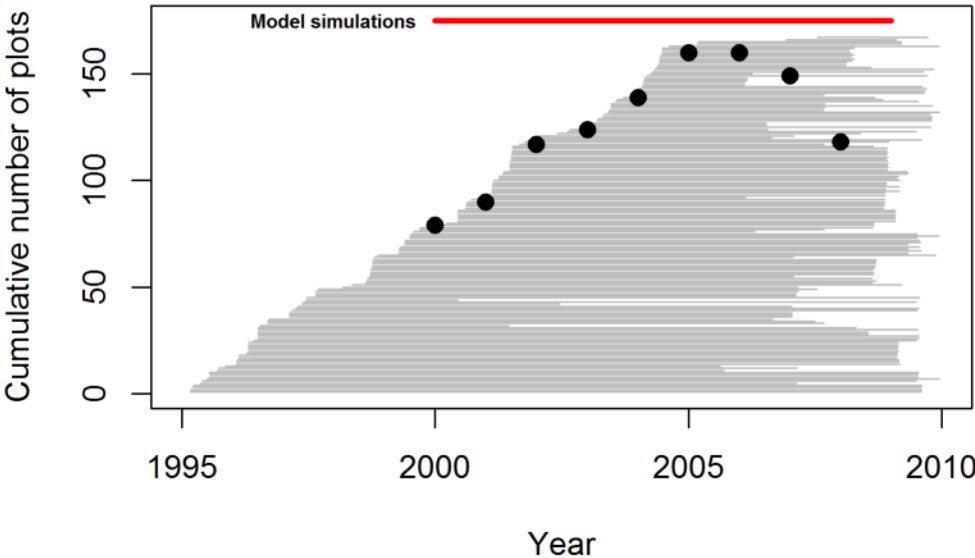


Figure S2. Semivariograms of variability in above ground biomass, above ground woody productivity and stem-based mortality rates with distance (km) based on RAINFOR long-term plot data from across Amazonia.

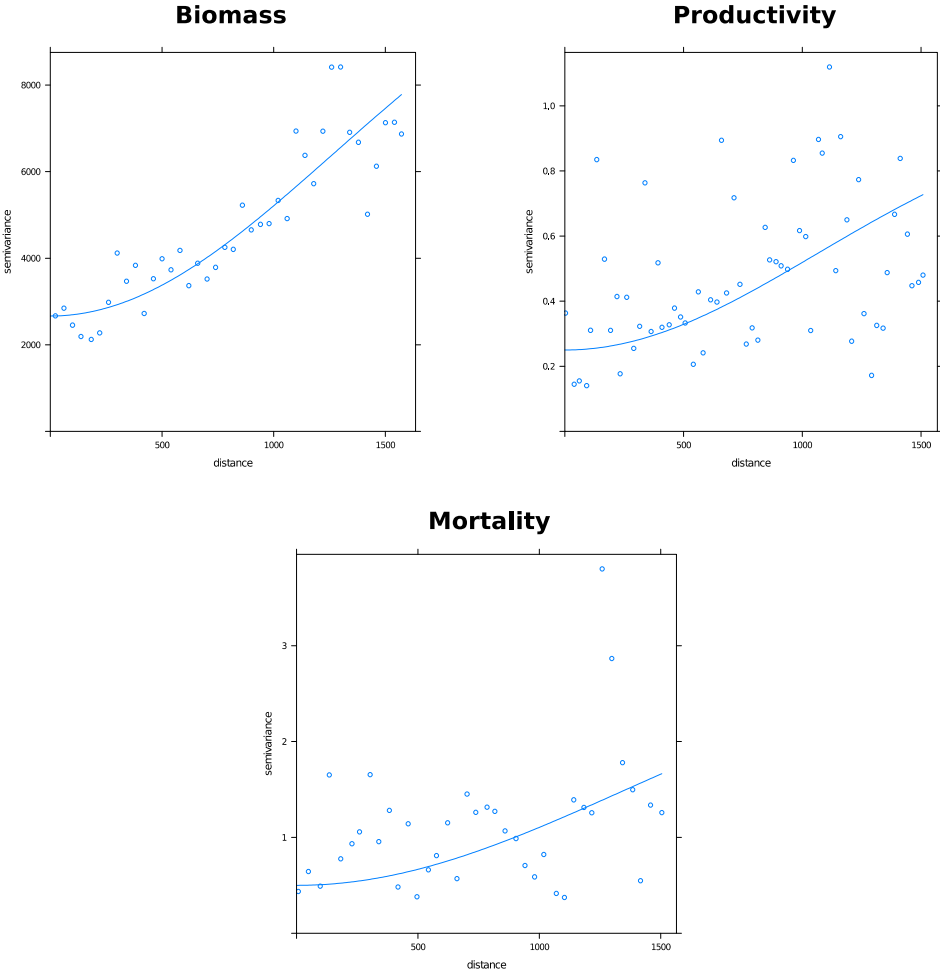


Figure S3. Mean precipitation, maximum cumulative water deficit (MWD), temperature and short wave radiation for 2000-2008 from the Sheffield et al., (2006) meteorological forcings used in all model simulations.

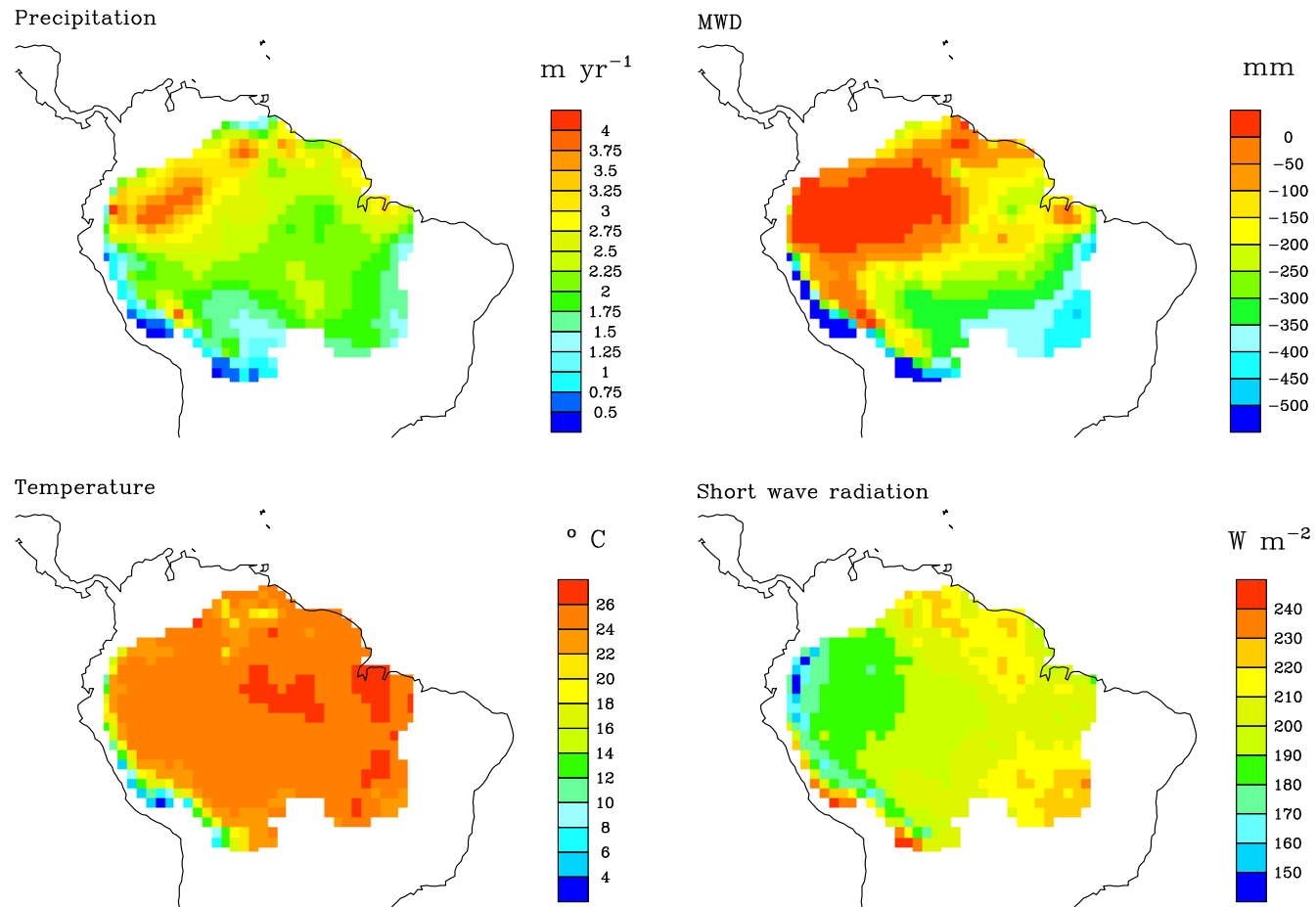


Figure S4. Predicted values of above ground biomass, above ground woody productivity and stem-based mortality rates using a leave one out cross validation kriging method, versus the observed values.

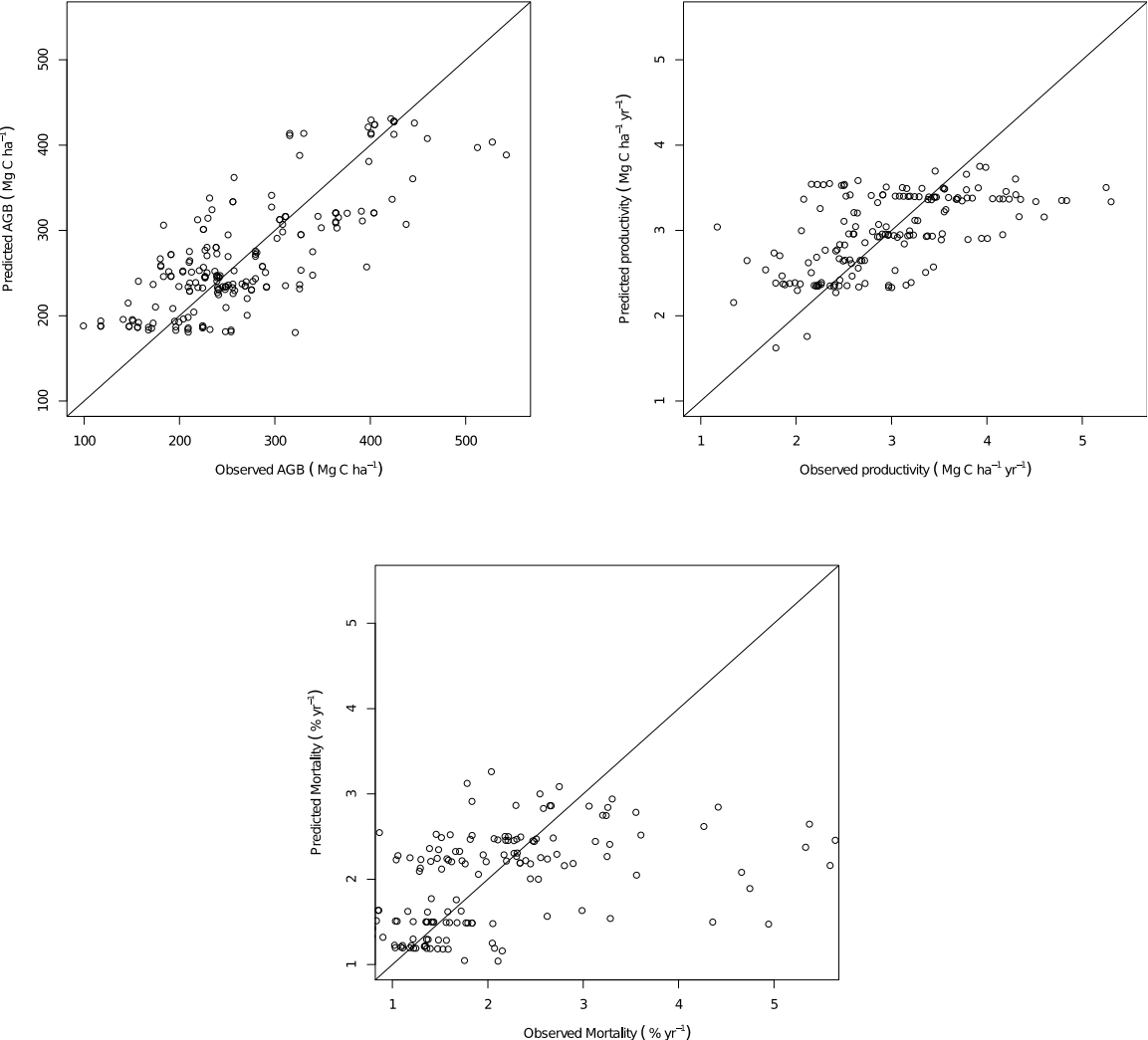


Figure S5. Distribution of leave-one-out cross validation residuals across the RAINFOR plot network

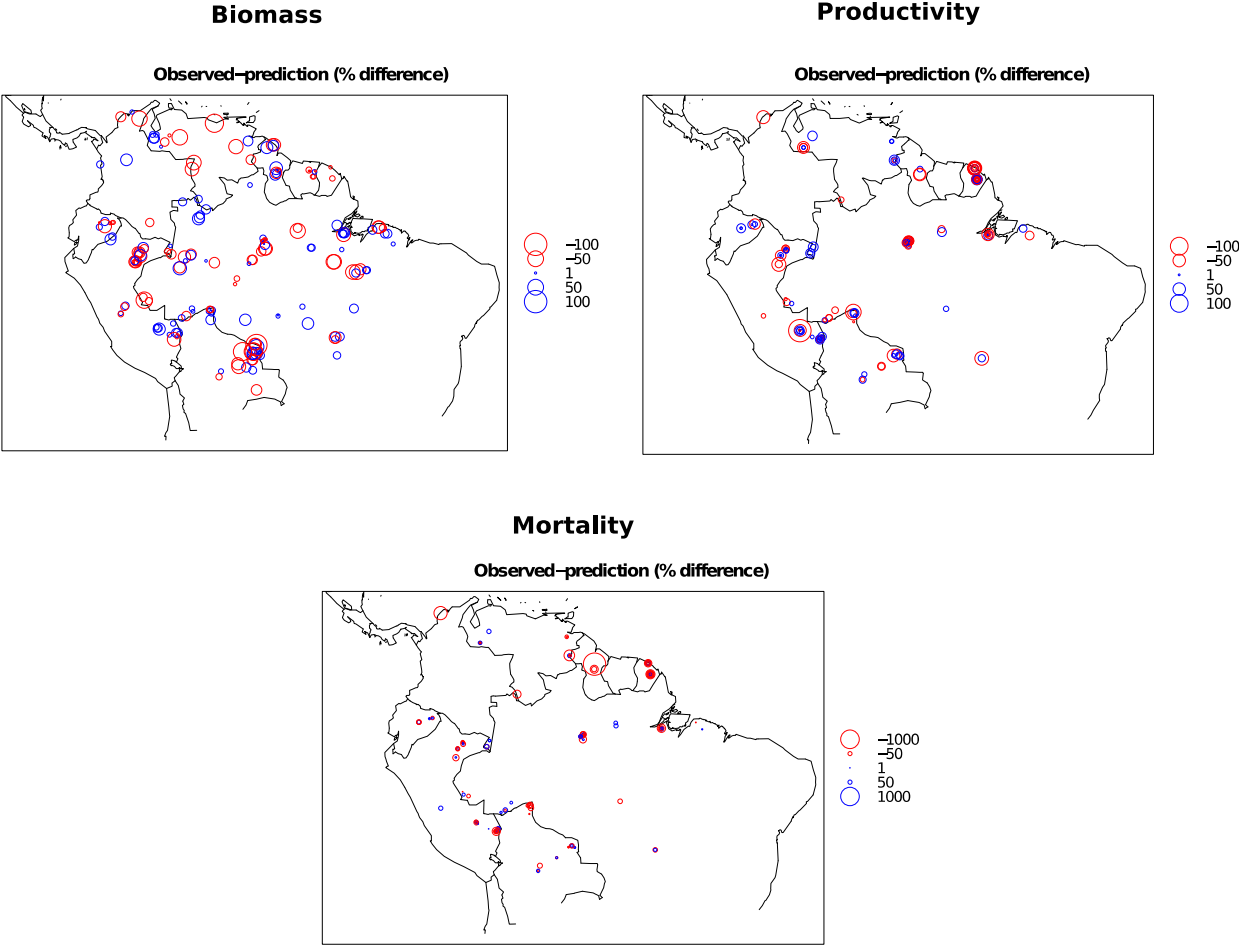


Figure S6. Aboveground woody biomass (Mg C ha^{-1}) as a function of stem number (≥ 10 cm diameter) for 167 forest plots across Amazonia

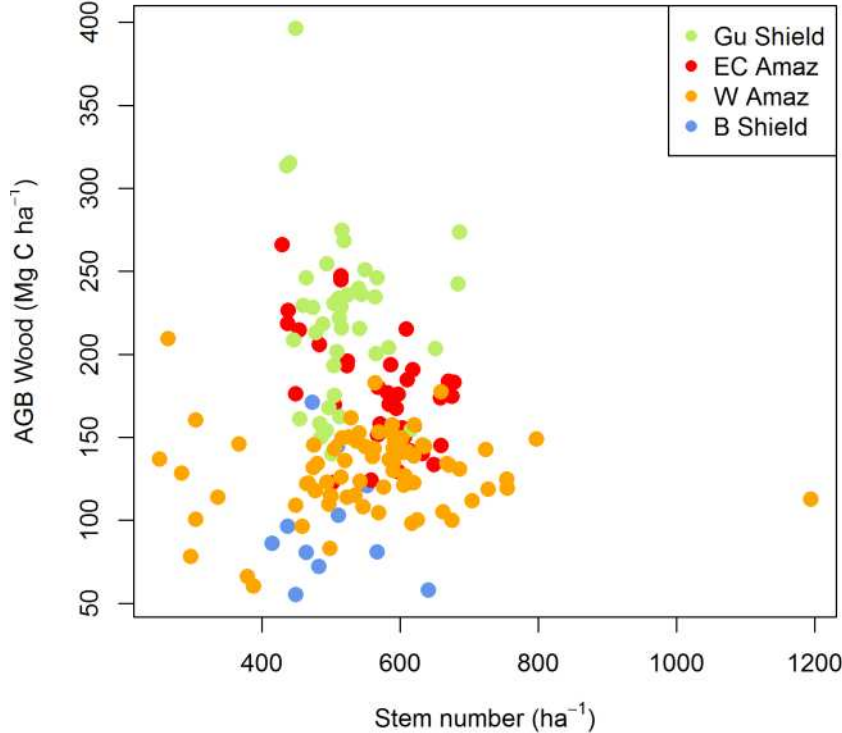


Figure S7. Kriged maps of above ground biomass (Mg ha^{-1}) and woody productivity (Mg ha a^{-1}) derived from 413 and 167 forest plots respectively, across lowland moist forest in South America.

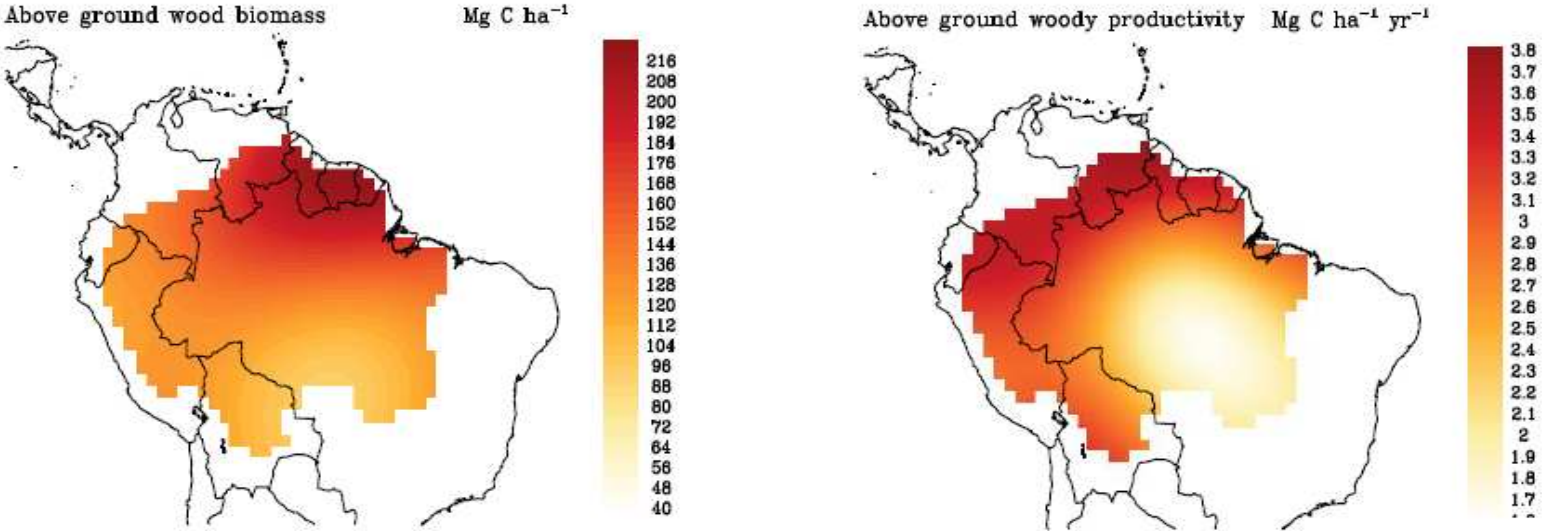


Figure S8. Kriged maps of above ground biomass losses ($\text{Mg C ha}^{-1} \text{ a}^{-1}$) and stem mortality rates derived from 167 forest plots across lowland moist forest in South America.

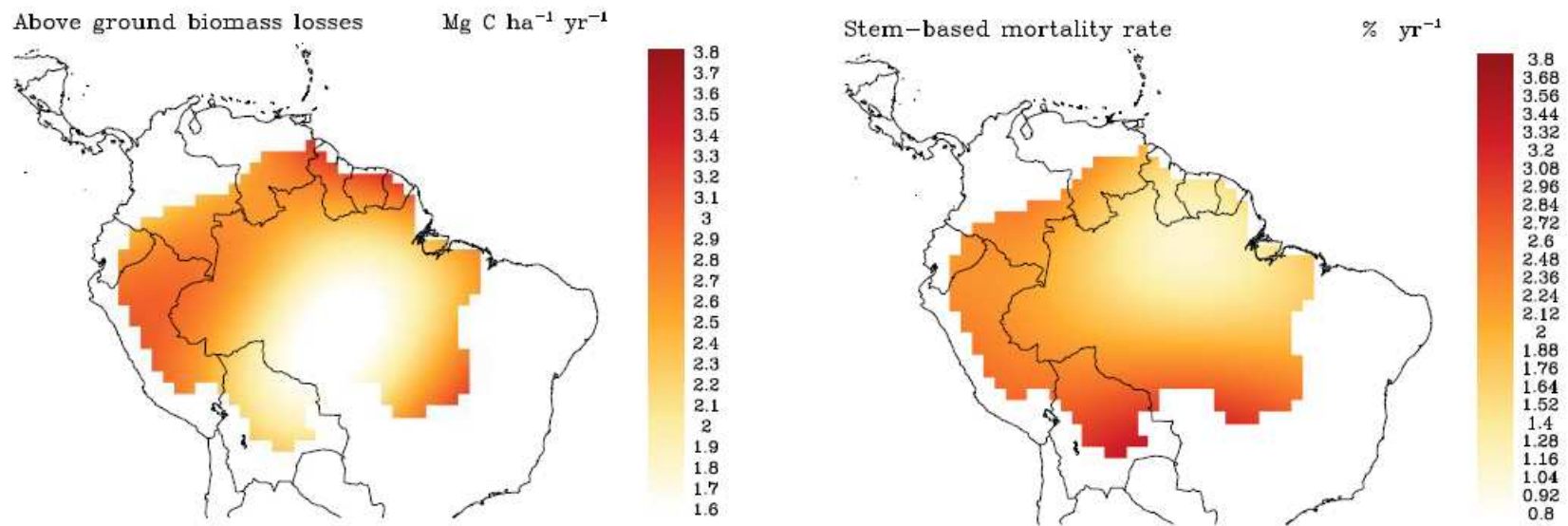


Figure S9. Relationships between simulated mean W_P and AGB from the 4 DGVMs, and precipitation and mean water deficit.

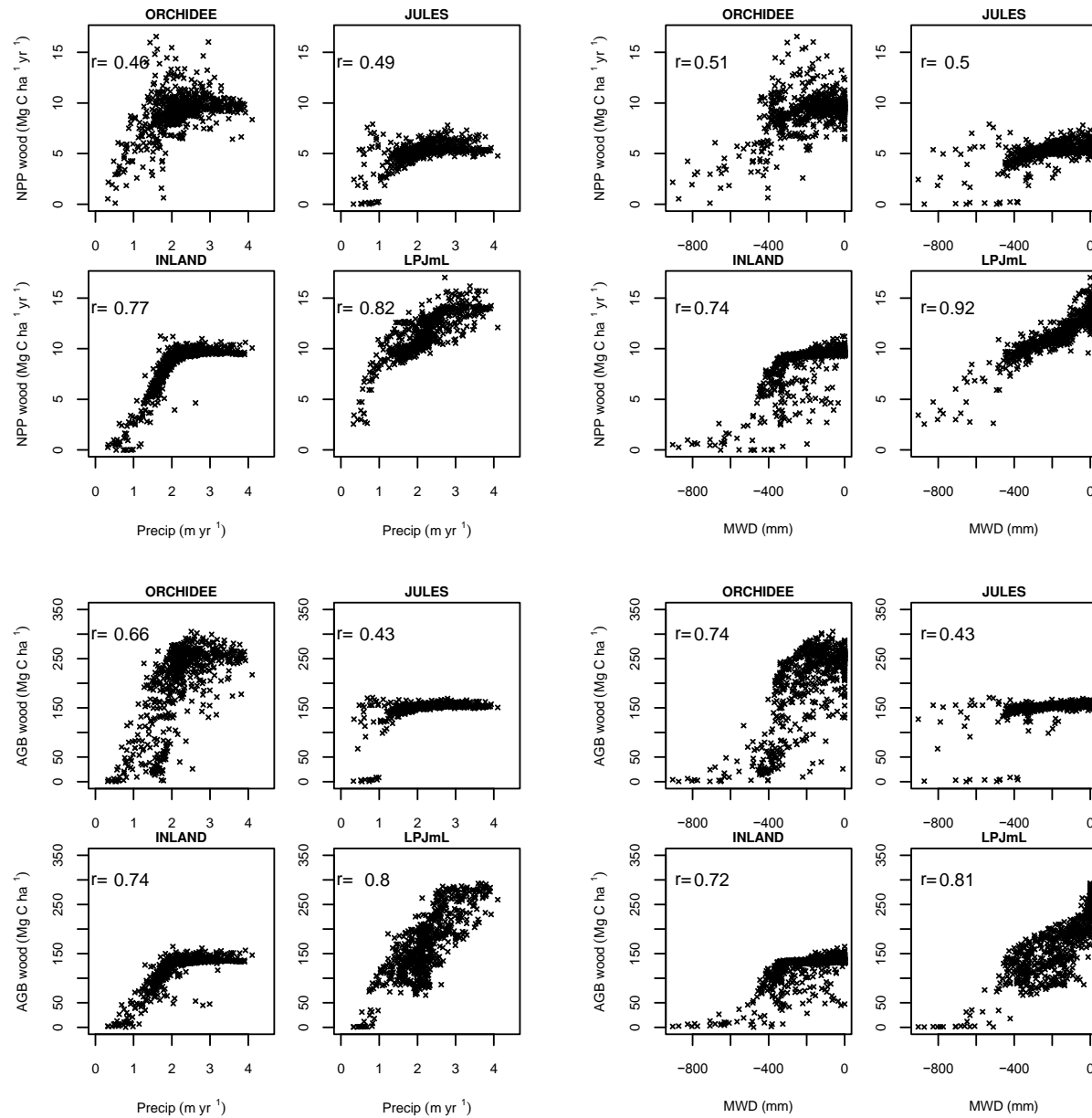


Figure S10. Relationships between simulated mean W_P and AGB from the 4 DGVMs, and short wave radiation and temperature.

