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1 **Abstract:**

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3 Plant respiration constitutes a massive carbon flux to the atmosphere, and a major control on the
4 evolution of the global carbon cycle. It therefore has the potential to modulate levels of climate
5 change due to the human burning of fossil fuels. Neither current physiological, nor terrestrial
6 biosphere models adequately describe its short-term temperature response, and even minor
7 differences in the shape of the response curve can significantly impact estimates of ecosystem
8 carbon release and/or storage. Given this, it is critical to establish whether there are predictable
9 patterns in the shape of the respiration-temperature response curve, and thus in the intrinsic
10 temperature sensitivity of respiration across the globe. Analyzing measurements in a
11 comprehensive database for 231 species spanning seven biomes, we demonstrate that
12 temperature-dependent increases in leaf respiration do not follow a commonly used exponential
13 function. Instead, we find a decelerating function as leaves warm, reflecting a declining
14 sensitivity to higher temperatures that is remarkably uniform across all biomes and plant
15 functional types. Such convergence in the temperature sensitivity of leaf respiration suggests that
16 there are universally applicable controls on the temperature response of plant energy metabolism,
17 such that a single new function can predict the temperature dependence of leaf respiration for
18 global vegetation. This simple function enables straightforward description of plant respiration in
19 the land surface components of coupled Earth System Models. Our cross-biome analyses shows
20 significant implications for such fluxes in cold climates, generally projecting lower values
21 compared to previous estimates.

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23 **Significance:**

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25 A major concern for terrestrial-biosphere-models is accounting for the temperature response of
26 leaf respiration at regional/global scales. Most widely adopted models incorrectly assume that
27 respiration increases exponentially with rising temperature, with profound effects for predicted
28 ecosystem carbon-exchange. Based on a large study of 231 species in seven biomes, we instead
29 find that the rise in respiration with temperature can be generalized across biomes and plant
30 types, with temperature-sensitivity declining as leaves warm. This finding points to universally-
31 conserved controls on the temperature-sensitivity of leaf energy metabolism. Accounting for the
32 temperature function markedly lowers simulated respiration rates in cold biomes; this finding has
33 important consequences for estimates of carbon storage in vegetation, predicted concentrations
34 of atmospheric carbon dioxide, and future surface temperatures.

35 Main text:

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37 Plant respiration provides continuous metabolic support for growth and maintenance of all
38 tissues and contributes $\sim 60 \text{ Pg C yr}^{-1}$ to the atmosphere (1, 2), with $\sim 50\%$ of the carbon (C)
39 released by whole-plant respiration from leaves (3). As rates of leaf respiration (R) vary
40 substantially with changes in temperature (T) (4, 5), even slight increases in ambient T can lead
41 to increases in the flux of carbon dioxide (CO_2) from leaves to the atmosphere. This has the
42 potential to create concomitant decreases in net primary productivity, and affect the implications
43 of fossil fuel burning by contributing additionally to atmospheric CO_2 levels due to any imposed
44 surface level global warming. Hence, quantification of the T response of leaf R , and how this
45 response may vary across diverse ecosystems and plant species, is critical to current estimations
46 and future projections of the global carbon cycle (6-8). Evaluating how leaf R relates to T in
47 terrestrial plants will clarify fundamental controls on energy metabolism and enable more
48 accurate parameterization, as leaf R , in addition to photosynthesis (9, 10), has been identified as
49 a major source of uncertainty in models of the global carbon cycle (8, 11). The response of leaf R
50 to T differs in both magnitude and mechanism with time scale (5); herein, we address how the
51 fundamental short-term response (minutes to hours) varies among plant species and biomes
52 globally.

53 The short-term T -response of leaf R is strongly regulated by the T -dependence of the
54 reaction rates of enzymes involved in a variety of respiratory pathways in the cytosol and
55 mitochondria within plant cells (5, 12). Given that these many processes influence the realized
56 rates of leaf R across broad ranges in T , the T -dependence of R might be expected to vary widely
57 among contrasting thermal regimes and environments, or among species that differ in metabolic
58 capacity or life span. For example, R - T relations could vary predictably, according to Plant
59 Functional Types (PFTs, groupings of plant species by life history attributes, growth strategies
60 and/or geographic location), or with variation corresponding with types that differ in rates of net
61 photosynthetic CO_2 uptake and potential growth rates (e.g. fast-growing herbs versus slower-
62 growing trees). A key issue, therefore, is whether the T -dependence of leaf R has spatially
63 invariant features across the Earth's surface, or instead varies as a consequence of genotypic and

64 multiple environmental factors. This is critically important, as the global estimation of leaf R is a
65 significant uncertainty in Terrestrial Biosphere Models (TBMs) and associated land surface
66 components of Earth System Models (ESMs). The latter quantify the global carbon cycle now
67 and project it into the future (8, 11), including feedbacks as a consequence of anthropogenic
68 emissions of CO₂ on climate.

69 Although it has been known for over a century that the near-instantaneous increase in
70 plant R with rising T is non-linear (13, 14), there has been uncertainty whether a single general
71 form for the leaf R - T relationship applies both phylogenetically and biogeographically (15-17). A
72 widely adopted physiological model framework (18, 19) assumes that R exhibits an exponential
73 response to T , with R roughly doubling with every 10°C rise in T (corresponding to a fixed “ Q_{10} -
74 type” formulation, with $Q_{10} \approx 2.0$). Yet, it has long been recognized that the Q_{10} is often not
75 constant nor close to 2.0 except over a limited T range (14, 20), and this pattern is consistent
76 when also considering ecosystem respiration (21). For this reason, alternative models have been
77 developed, including modified Arrhenius formulations, Universal Temperature Dependence
78 (UTD), and T -dependent Q_{10} functions (15-17, 22). All of these models attempt to address the
79 shortcomings of an exponential model that provides a fixed T -sensitivity term across a wide
80 range of temperatures. Here, we evaluate a comprehensive set of empirical, thermally high-
81 resolution T response curves for multiple taxa and environments. Doing so enables a full
82 assessment of the suitability of these quantitative physiological models in accurately representing
83 the variation in the observed short-term R - T relationship, and implications of the short-term
84 response in different seasons. We aim to significantly improve how the short-term R - T response
85 is represented, and recognize this is one element of a complex and dynamic process. As leaf R is
86 also impacted by acclimation to sustained changes in growth T , future modeling work will
87 determine the effect of a more accurate short-term T response applied in concert with recent
88 advances in modeling basal rates of leaf R (23) and longer-term (weeks to months) acclimation
89 of R to changing growth T s (24, 25).

90 Physiological model representations of leaf respiratory T responses vary in complexity
91 and in their ability to account for observed biological patterns, such as decreases in the T
92 sensitivity of R over increasing T s (5, 17) (see Supporting Information for model descriptions

93 and Figs S1-2). Modification of the T -sensitivity of leaf R (based on (16)) in TBMs and the
94 associated land surface component of ESMs results in significant alterations to modeled carbon
95 fluxes (8, 26), demonstrating the high sensitivity of the carbon cycle simulations to the R - T
96 function, and thus the need to improve our understanding and quantification of this relationship.
97 The evidence for apparent complexity in the leaf R - T response (16, 27) and consequences for
98 carbon cycling indicates both the need for, and, opportunity to improve quantification of the leaf
99 R - T relationship in globally widespread, but thermally contrasting, biomes. Here, we report on
100 filling that critical knowledge gap.

101 The goals of our study are three-fold: (1) to quantify the T -response of leaf R through use
102 of a new and comprehensive set of thermally high-resolution field measurements of leaf R across
103 large T ranges for each leaf; (2) to assess the shape of T -response curves in leaves of species
104 representing diverse environments and PFTs; and, (3) to assess the implications of altered T -
105 sensitivity of R for simulated carbon fluxes using the land surface component of a leading ESM
106 (28). Using new methods (27) that enabled high-resolution measurement of the T -dependence of
107 leaf R in leaves, we present results from 673 short-term T response curves of 231 species
108 collected *in situ* across 18 sites representing contrasting biomes, geographical locations and PFTs
109 (Table S1). Based on this unprecedented dataset of standardized physiological measurements, we
110 provide new evidence of a global, fundamental T response of leaf R in terrestrial plants and thus
111 a mathematical model that outperforms alternative representations of how leaf R responds to T .
112 We also show that in cross-biome analyses, application of this mathematical model significantly
113 alters simulated carbon fluxes, particularly in cold climate ecosystems.

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115 **Results**

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117 **Evaluating Temperature Response Models.** Our data of high-resolution measurement of the T
118 response of leaf R enabled a comparison of commonly applied quantitative physiological models
119 to determine which offered the best fit for replicate response curves across the entire 10-45°C
120 range. A comparison of residuals from model estimates for all individual leaf response curves for
121 five models (exponential fixed- Q_{10} , Arrhenius, ‘Lloyd & Taylor’, variable- Q_{10} , and second-order

122 log-polynomial function – see Supporting Information) demonstrates that a second-order log-
 123 polynomial model best characterized the T response of R (Fig. S2a). This selection is made on
 124 the basis that the polynomial model had the best projections of leaf- R against data from over the
 125 entire T range, has a straightforward application, and is independent from biological assumptions
 126 about activation energies; we applied this approach to all measured response curves that
 127 collectively comprise the total mean response (Fig. S2b). Accordingly, to best represent our
 128 high-resolution leaf R measurements quantitatively, all individual leaf T response curve data
 129 were natural-log-transformed (\ln) and to those values, a second-order polynomial model was
 130 fitted as:

$$131 \quad \ln R = a + bT + cT^2 \quad (\text{Eq. 1})$$

132 where R is the rate at a given leaf T , and a , b , and c are coefficients that provided the fit that
 133 minimized residuals.

134 The application of a polynomial model fit to high-resolution $\ln R$ - T response curves
 135 provides a three-parameter description of leaf R across the T range. The a parameter, which
 136 indicates $\ln R$ at 0°C , determines a reference value offset of the response curve. The b parameter -
 137 the slope of $\ln R$ vs. T plot at 0°C – and the c parameter, which represents any quadratic
 138 nonlinearity in $\ln R$ vs. T slope with increasing measuring T , are both key to describing the
 139 fundamental shape of the short-term T response of leaf R . To assess the influence of site
 140 environment and plant form, we analyzed the variation in values of each model parameter, a , b ,
 141 and c for diverse biomes and PFTs based on individual leaf sample curves. We calculated this
 142 variation for both the entire measured T range (10 - 45°C), as well as for shorter, discrete segments
 143 (*i.e.* 15 - 25°C) of the entire measured T range, in order to evaluate potential influence of
 144 measurement T range on these parameters. No difference was found between the parameters
 145 calculated from shorter, discrete T -ranges and the entire measurement T -range, (Tables S2-3, Fig.
 146 S3), further justifying the applicability of the polynomial function for this response. Together,
 147 mean values of a , b , and c parameters create data-derived equations for leaf R that clearly mirror
 148 observed mean respiratory responses aggregated for discrete levels of the two corresponding
 149 factors (*i.e.* biome or PFT, Fig. 1). This approach can also fully capture the deceleration of rates

150 of R observed as T s increase (Figs. 1, S1), clearly demonstrating the utility of the polynomial
 151 formulation for creating realistic models of leaf R .

152

153 **Comparison Among Biomes and Plant Functional Types.** Mean species values for the
 154 polynomial model parameters (a , b , and c) at each site were statistically compared by biome and
 155 PFTs using a nested mixed-model approach (Table 1). The curves presented in Figure 1 show
 156 that rates of leaf R at a common T were highest in the coldest biomes (i.e. higher a values for
 157 tundra and high altitude tropical rainforests). By contrast, low altitude tropical forests, the
 158 warmest biome included in this study (Table S1), exhibited the lowest value of parameter a and
 159 the lowest values of leaf R over the measurement ranges of T (Fig. 1a,b). Similarly, variation in
 160 leaf R at a common T was found among PFTs (Fig. 1c,d).

161 In strong contrast to large differences across biomes and PFTs in leaf R at a common
 162 measurement T , we found that the rise in R with T as leaves warm follows a remarkably
 163 consistent function, suggesting more universal values of parameters b and c . Figure 1 illustrates
 164 the common shape of the response curve to leaf T that is almost invariant across plants, despite
 165 representing highly diverse growth environments and functional groups. This low variation
 166 across species' means of both b and c parameters is present when grouped by either biome or
 167 PFT (Table 1).

168 Based on our observation of a near-universal shared response shape of leaf R to T , we
 169 determined the parameters for our global polynomial R - T model (GPM) of Eqn (1). The mean
 170 polynomial model parameter values for all species included in our study were: $b = 0.1012$ and c
 171 $= -0.0005$, which generate the GPM:

$$172 \quad \ln R = a + 0.1012T - 0.0005T^2 \quad (\text{Eq. 2})$$

173 where $\ln R$ and a are as defined for Eq. 1. This equation is an empirically based mathematical
 174 model of the instantaneous T response of leaf R (Fig. 2a). Average leaf R for all study species
 175 across the 10-45° T range (within 1°C temperature bins; untransformed global mean response in
 176 Fig. S2b) – the ‘global mean data’ – can be effectively summarized by the GPM (Fig. 2a).

177 Values of a do, though, vary significantly across PFTs and biomes, shifting the curve of Eqn (2);

178 thus, the a parameter value should be appropriately assigned in the GPM to fit the model's
 179 application, using a rate measured at a known T or values from our global survey (Table S4).

180 The input of a known value of leaf R ($R_{T_{ref}}$ in the below equation), measured at a T (T_{ref} in
 181 the below equation) with the universal b and c response curve parameters can be applied to a
 182 derivation of our GPM to predict values of leaf R (R_T) at a desired T , according to:

$$183 \quad R_T = R_{T_{ref}} \times e^{[0.1012 \cdot (T - T_{ref}) - 0.0005 \cdot (T^2 - T_{ref}^2)]} \quad (\text{Eq. 3})$$

184 (where $R_{T_{ref}} = \exp(a + 0.1012T_{ref} - 0.0005T_{ref}^2)$). This equation incorporates the common intrinsic
 185 T -sensitivity of respiration (i.e. response curve shape) observed from our field measurements,
 186 and when combined with measured or assumed rates of R at T_{ref} , enables prediction of R at
 187 various T s.

188 The T -sensitivity of the GPM (Fig. 2b), here calculated for illustrative purposes using Q_{10}
 189 values, shows decreasing sensitivity of leaf R with increases in T . Up to 35°C, the decline has
 190 similarities to (and a steeper slope than) that reported from more limited data by Tjoelker *et*
 191 *al.* (16). Moreover, our new GPM demonstrates that leaf R remains more T -sensitive at higher
 192 leaf T s (e.g. near 45°C) than assessed by Tjoelker *et al.* (16).

193

194 **Impacts on Simulated Annual Respiration.** The consequence of using our GPM in existing
 195 global models that exclude acclimation responses to sustained changes in growth T is illustrated
 196 in Figure 3 which shows annually averaged rates of leaf R for our 18 field sites, comparing
 197 JULES estimates modeled with a $Q_{10} = 2$ with those from our GPM derivation (Eq. 3).

198 As a sensitivity study, we replaced the derivation of the GPM (Eq. 3) with the commonly
 199 applied fixed Q_{10} formulation, setting $Q_{10}=2$, and compared the two. The difference between
 200 annual rates of leaf R calculated using either the derived GPM (Eq. 3) or a fixed Q_{10} equation
 201 where $Q_{10}=2$ had almost no impact on at the warm tropical sites (Fig. 3a,b); similarly, there was
 202 no effect of the GPM on seasonal variations in leaf R at the tropical sites (Fig. 3c). By contrast, at
 203 colder sites, estimates of annual leaf R were markedly lower when calculated using the GPM
 204 derivation (e.g. 28% lower in Toolik Lake, Alaska and 10 to 20% lower in the temperate sites)
 205 compared to the fixed Q_{10} function (Fig. 3b), although recognizing these changes are for
 206 generally lower R values. At temperate woodland sites with evergreen, long-lived foliage,

207 replacement of a fixed Q_{10} of 2.0 model with the GPM had its greatest absolute and proportional
208 effect during the cold months of winter, but negligible effect during summer months when leaf T
209 values were near 25°C. For sites where winters are characterized by winter freezing (and thus
210 where metabolic activity is minimal), use of the GPM reduced estimates of leaf R across the
211 entire growing season (Fig. 3c).

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213 **Discussion:**

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215 **Universality of Temperature Response.** Despite the huge diversity in plant growth form and
216 local environment represented in our comprehensive dataset, additionally spanning climatic
217 extremes and plant growth rates, we find remarkable convergence in the functional form of the
218 response of leaf R to T . Basal rates of R vary widely amongst biomes and PFTs (Fig. 1), and are
219 known to be related to differences in growth T , site aridity and leaf functional traits (23, 34, 35).
220 That R at a given T is highest in leaves of arctic tundra plants and lowest in leaves of plants from
221 low elevation tropical forests (Fig. 1a) agrees with the concept that leaf R (when measured at a
222 common T) is higher in plants grown in colder environments (12), and this pattern can be
223 consistently modeled based on known growth T s (23). There is significant variation in the curve
224 offset between PFTs; C₃ herbs exhibit the highest rates of leaf R across the 10-45°C range (Fig.
225 1c), which is also associated with high rates of leaf R at a common leaf nitrogen compared to
226 other PFT groups (23, 34). However, here we show the overall shape of the response curve, and
227 thus intrinsic T sensitivity of R , does not significantly vary; the only variation is an overall offset
228 of the curve. The consistency in the response of leaf R to T strongly suggests its universality
229 among C₃ plants and that the T -dependencies of underlying enzymatic controls of multiple
230 metabolic pathways are widely conserved, even among the most thermally contrasting biomes on
231 Earth. Further, a global, fundamental T response can be described in a simple, empirically driven
232 log-polynomial equation, available for incorporating into the land surface component of ESMs
233 and ready to replace current imperfect representations of the short-term T response of leaf R .
234 Notably, when implemented in a leading Terrestrial Biosphere Model (28) for different
235 geographical regions, this equation significantly reduces annual rates of leaf-level respiration in

236 cold-climates. We believe this global short-term leaf R - T response, when applied in conjunction
237 with data-based models of basal leaf R (23) and the acclimation response to longer-term growth
238 T s (24), will have important consequences for predicted rates of ecosystem and global carbon
239 exchange, estimates of future carbon storage in vegetation, predicted concentrations of
240 atmospheric CO_2 , and impacts of future surface temperatures.

241
242 **Utility for Predictive Simulation Models.** Our finding of a universal T -response provides an
243 opportunity for leaf R to be better represented in ecosystem models, TBMs and associated land-
244 surface components of ESMs. It is well-known that the use of a fixed- Q_{10} or Arrhenius activation
245 energy leads to inaccuracies in estimations of respiratory efflux, especially at relatively high and
246 low T s (5). In particular, Arrhenius-derived functions may overestimate rates at low T s and
247 underestimate the decline in T -sensitivity of R (22) (Fig. S1a). To date, there has been no
248 consensus or consistent assessment based on comprehensive datasets on how to represent the T
249 response of R in simulation models (36). Our GPM (Eq. 1) and its parameterization (Eqs. 2, 3)
250 against a massive dataset for R , is comprised of only three and two coefficients respectively, and
251 offers a simple, yet robust, approach to calculating the T response of R in leaves. Importantly,
252 our new GPM demonstrates that leaf R remains T -sensitive at high leaf T s (e.g. near 45°C ; seen
253 in our Fig. S1a compared to variable Q_{10} model (12), which will have important consequences
254 for predicted rates of respiratory CO_2 efflux at high T s, particularly as extreme heat-wave events
255 are predicted to increase in frequency and duration (2).

256 Application of the GPM requires knowledge of basal rates of leaf R , designated by the a
257 parameter (Eq. 2) or measured/assumed rates of R at a standard measurement $T=T_{\text{Ref}}$ (Eq. 3). In
258 cases where the basal rate of R is unknown, we suggest application of specific a parameter
259 values representing appropriate PFTs and/or biomes (Table 1) or species (Table S4).
260 Alternatively, rates of leaf R at common T_{Ref} (25°C) reported in a recent global compilation (23)
261 can be used. We believe future integration of the recent global leaf R dataset (23) with the short-
262 term R - T response model defined by our GPM and climatically variable estimates of longer-term
263 T response of R through acclimation will result in a vastly improved representation of leaf R
264 across scales.

265
266 **Consequences for Terrestrial C Exchange.** Our sensitivity study (Fig. 3) showed that while
267 replacing a fixed Q_{10} of two with the GPM will have little impact on calculated rates of leaf R in
268 lowland tropical forests, impacts are significant for temperate, boreal and arctic/alpine
269 ecosystems. In such ecosystems, reliance on a fixed Q_{10} greatly overestimates annual leaf R ,
270 which in turn will result in underestimates of net primary productivity (NPP), as generally TBMs
271 estimate NPP by subtraction of total canopy leaf R from modeled estimates of gross primary
272 productivity (GPP). Though future model implementations that consider the extent to which leaf
273 R acclimates to long-term changes in air T across the globe ([24](#), [25](#)) will likely further improve
274 how leaf R is represented in TBMs, our findings point to lower rates of modeled respiratory CO_2
275 release - and thus possible higher rates of simulated NPP - at sites further away from the
276 equator, compared to current model scenarios. As replacement of a fixed Q_{10} formulation with
277 our GPM is likely to have profound effects on estimates of global plant R and calculations of
278 NPP, its adoption in ESMs will adjust projections of both contemporary and future carbon
279 storage in vegetation. This includes estimates of PFT composition in TBMs that also calculate
280 biome extent through NPP-dependent competition rules. Furthermore, via influence on
281 atmospheric CO_2 levels, the GPM will affect estimates of what constitutes ‘permissible’ fossil
282 fuel emissions needed to stay below any warming thresholds that society determines as unsafe to
283 cross. This might include the presently much-debated limit of two-degree warming since the pre-
284 industrial era ([37](#), [38](#)).

285 Finally, a priority for environmental science remains the building and operating of ESMs
286 with robust parameterizations, allowing trustworthy forward projections of carbon cycle
287 evolution and assessment of the influence of fossil fuel burning on that cycle and associated
288 implications for future climate change. Plant respiration, and any adjustment to that in response
289 to global warming, places a strong control on Earth’s carbon cycle and may modulate human
290 influence on future atmospheric CO_2 concentrations. The urgency to estimate climate change
291 implies ESMs must be operated routinely, both now and in the future. Computational constraints,
292 combined with limited available data, force a compromise in ESMs where numerical code
293 “lumps” features of terrestrial ecosystems into low numbers of PFTs and relatively general

294 parameterizations. Our study across a massive dataset of leaf R measurements, and subsequent
295 testing and fitting to a model of T response, shows a remarkable level of invariance between
296 geographical sites and biomes. This provides great encouragement that, for leaf R at least, the
297 generality of ESMs can be viewed as a neutral, or perhaps, positive feature.
298

299 **Methods**

300

301 **Field Sites and Species**

302 Our 18 field sites (see Table S1) cover extensive variation in climate and species diversity across
303 four continents. The seven biomes represented across these sites are: arctic tundra (Tu), boreal
304 forest (BF), temperate deciduous forest (TeDF), temperate woodland (TeW), temperate
305 rainforest (TeRF), high altitude tropical rainforest (TrRF_hi), and high altitude tropical rainforest
306 (TrRF_lw). At each site, a survey of representative woody tree and shrub (and in the Arctic
307 tundra, herbaceous forb) species were selected for measurement. For comparison, these species
308 were classified into the following broad plant functional groups that represent current
309 classification groups in JULES: broadleaved deciduous temperate (BIDcTmp), broadleaved
310 deciduous tropical (BIDcTrp), broadleaved evergreen temperate (BIEvTmp), broadleaved
311 evergreen tropical (BIEvTrp) C₃ herbaceous (C3H), needle-leaved evergreen (NIEv), and
312 broadleaved evergreen shrubs (SEv). A full list of all 231 species included in this study can be
313 found, grouped by site and biome, in Table S4.

314

315 **High-Resolution Measurements of the Temperature Response of Leaf Respiration**

316 At each field site, replicate branches of sun-lit leaves were cut from plant species and either re-
317 cut under water or placed in plastic bags containing moistened paper towels to minimize
318 desiccation. Post-sampling, all branches were re-cut again and kept in a water-filled bucket; all
319 measurements occurred on the same day as branch sampling. For individual measurements,
320 whole replicate leaves from these branches, or ~10cm shoot segments for conifers and small-
321 leaved species, were placed in a *T*-controlled, well-mixed cuvette, and allowed to adapt to
322 darkness for 30 minutes. Leaf cuvettes were *T*-controlled via a thermostatically-controlled
323 circulating waterbath (model F32-HL, JULABO Labortechnik GmbH, Seelbach, Germany) as in
324 O'Sullivan *et al.* ([27](#)) and Heskell *et al.* ([39](#)), or via a Peltier system (3010-GWK1 Gas-Exchange
325 Chamber, Walz, Heinz Walz GmbH, Effeltrich, Germany). O'Sullivan *et al.* ([27](#)), used the same
326 approach to measurement of *R-T* curves, found no differences between attached and detached

327 leaves, and to allow for higher replication and species sampling, detached leaves were used for
328 this study.

329 The exiting air-stream from the cuvette was fed to the ‘sample’ gas line and infrared gas
330 analyzer of a portable gas exchange system (LI-6400xt, Li-Cor Inc., Lincoln, NE, USA),
331 allowing for instantaneous, continuous rates of CO₂ efflux from the darkened leaves across the
332 measurement T range. Rates of net exchange were calculated by comparing the ‘sample’,
333 cuvette-based rates to those of the ‘reference’ gas line. [CO₂] (set to the prevailing ambient
334 concentration) and flow rate (700 $\mu\text{mol s}^{-1}$) of the air entering the cuvette chamber were
335 controlled by the LI-6400XT console flow meter and 6400-01 CO₂ mixer. Prior to entering the
336 cuvette chamber, air was routed through the LI-6400XT desiccant column to control relative
337 humidity inside the chamber.

338 After the 30-minute dark adaption period, the cuvette chamber was cooled to 10°C.
339 Thereafter, the cuvette chamber was heated continuously at a rate of 1°C min⁻¹ until a maximum
340 rate of respiration was reached (generally leaf T between 55-70°C), although only data up to T =
341 45°C was used in our model. Throughout the warming period, leaf T was continuously measured
342 with a small-gauge wire chromel-constantan thermocouple pressed to the lower leaf surface in
343 the cuvette chamber and attached to a LI-6400 external thermocouple adaptor (LI6400-13, Li-
344 Cor Inc., Lincoln, NE, USA), allowing for leaf T to be recorded by the LI-6400XT portable gas
345 exchange system. Over the 10-45°C range, leaves typically heated at a rate of 1°C min⁻¹ (i.e.
346 matching the rate at which air T increased); however, at higher leaf T , the rate at which leaf T
347 increased often slowed, reflecting an increase in evaporative loss of water from leaf surfaces.
348 The net release of CO₂ from leaves, as determined from the instantaneous difference between
349 ‘sample’ and ‘reference’ lines, was recorded at 30s intervals, allowing for ~ two measurements
350 of R per 1°C increase in T , resulting in a continuous, high-resolution T response of R .

351 Post-measurement, each replicate leaf was removed from the cuvette, placed in a drying
352 oven at ~60°C for a minimum of two days, and weighed afterward, so that rates could be
353 expressed on a dry-mass basis (nmol CO₂ g⁻¹ s⁻¹). Because the measured replicate leaf often
354 became highly desiccated to accurately measure leaf area, to determine area-based fluxes (μmol
355 CO₂ m⁻² s⁻¹), a leaf of similar size and shape and adjacent to the measured leaf was digitally

356 scanned (or determined with a leaf area meter, LI-3100 LiCor Inc., Lincoln, NE, USA), dried,
357 and weighed. The resulting leaf mass per unit area (LMA) of this adjacent leaf could then be
358 used to calculate the area of the measured leaf (assuming a similar LMA) and the area-based R
359 fluxes.

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361 **Quantification of R - T curves and Model Comparison.** The 673 R - T curves collected by the
362 methods described above required thorough quantification for comparison across replicates,
363 species, sites, biomes, and plant functional types. For each replicate R - T response curves, we
364 assessed the fits commonly applied R - T models, including: (a) an exponential model with a
365 fixed- Q_{10} across the entire T range (though not specifically a fixed Q_{10} of 2, as is applied in some
366 biosphere models of R); (b) an Arrhenius model; (c) a model of R responding to the UTD as
367 defined by Gillooly *et al.* (15), which contains an activation energy parameter and utilizes
368 Boltzmann's constant; (d) a model presented by Lloyd & Taylor (17) to describe the response of
369 soil R to T that includes a temperature-sensitive activation energy; (e) a model that incorporates a
370 variable- Q_{10} response across the T range as described by two parameters; and (f) a simple second
371 order polynomial model. Equations for these models are shown in Supporting Information. To
372 compare how these models fit to data, we fitted each of the aforementioned models to all
373 replicate R - T response curves in JMP (Version 11, SAS Institute, Cary, NC USA), with
374 parameters calculation controlled by the minimal residuals produced from each individual fit for
375 each model. In cases where model convergence was not possible via the curve-fitting software,
376 those replicate curves were not included to calculate mean residuals for the model fit over all
377 replicates. Further, to evaluate the impact of different measurement temperature span (i.e. 10-
378 45°C vs. 20-45°C) on model fits, we compared fit coefficients across all replicate curves at
379 different 'segmented intervals' of the response curve (see Table S2, Fig. S3, and Supporting
380 Information text). Using these data, we also compared model fit coefficients from the
381 approximate 20°C T -range that best represents the climate of that species (the "ecologically
382 relevant" T -range, see Table S3 and Supporting Information text) to the fit coefficients calculated
383 from all available data from the entire measurement T -range.

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385 **Global polynomial model (GPM) calculation.** After polynomial curve fit analysis, each
386 replicate curve could be defined by specific a , b , and c parameters. The mean value of replicates

387 for individual species at given sites were calculated for a , b , and c , resulting in a total of 231
 388 species-site means of these parameters used for our study. To create a ‘global model’ of the T
 389 response of R , we calculated the mean of all 231 species-site mean values of the a , b , and c
 390 parameters.

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392 **Modeling site-based leaf R with JULES.** For our 18 field sites, we incorporated our derived
 393 global T -response (Eq. 3), with local values of $R_{T_{\text{ref}}}$, into an offline version of JULES (Joint UK
 394 Land Environmental Simulator) to investigate the potential impacts of altered T -sensitivity of R .
 395 JULES is the land surface model of the UK Hadley Centre HadGEM family of Global
 396 Circulation Models (28, 40). In its current form, JULES assumes that leaf R doubles for every
 397 10°C rise in T (i.e. $Q_{10} = 2$); other TBM frameworks have also assumed fixed Q_{10} [e.g. BIOME-
 398 BGC (29), PnET-CN (30) CLM4 (31), TEM (32)], or modified Q_{10} [e.g. BETHY (33)]
 399 functions. This is done using both the fixed Q_{10} and GPM formulations, and with JULES
 400 adopting the site-mean values leaf R at $R_{T_{\text{ref}}=25^{\circ}\text{C}}$ derived from our short-term T -response
 401 curves. The Q_{10} value is set as 2.0 for all 18 sites, and similarly for the GPM model, the b and c
 402 parameters are invariant, taking their cross-site means (Table 1 and Eq. 3).

403 Here we use a version of JULES driven with the WATCH Forcing Data ERA-interim
 404 (WFDEI) surface climatology (41) for each of the 18 sites and for the period 2010-2014
 405 inclusive. Each site uses the WFDEI gridded data values from its 0.5° x 0.5° grid resolution
 406 nearest to site location; and in time is therefore a subset of the WFDEI data, presently covering
 407 1979-2014. The DGVM component of JULES is kept switched off, and therefore known local
 408 values of LAI are prescribed. Four JULES Plant Functional Types (PFTs) were adopted
 409 (Broadleaf Trees, Needleleaf Trees, Shrubs and C₃ grasses/herbs). With the DGVM off, then the
 410 main difference between these PFTs is the inclusion of deciduous phenology (where observed,
 411 affecting the prescribed LAI), and slightly different response curves for stomatal opening.

412 Our runs are made for each site, weighed by known fractional covers of the four PFTs
 413 above (predominantly broadleaf trees). The actual JULES model diagnostic presented (Fig. 3) is
 414 the canopy-top level R value ($\mu\text{mol CO}_2 [\text{m}^{-2} \text{ of leaf cover}]^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$), representing those fluxes that
 415 might be observed in fully sun-exposed leaves at the canopy crown, if fluxes from lower leaves
 416 were ignored.

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564 **Figure Legends**

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566 **Figure 1.** Mean measured leaf respiration (natural log transformed; \pm SE) of biome (a) and plant
 567 functional types (PFTs) (c) calculated for each $^{\circ}\text{C}$ from measured species respiration response
 568 curves of those categories, for the available temperature ranges. Polynomial models based on
 569 species' mean values of a , b , and c (see Table 1) of those biomes (b) and PFTs (d) are shown
 570 across the same T range.

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 572 **Figure 2.** Global mean data reflected by modeled R - T and corresponding declining Q_{10}
 573 responses. The mean T response of (a) natural log transformed rates of leaf respiration ($\ln R$ +/-
 574 SE, "Global Mean Data", shown with blue symbols with error bars) for all measured species ($n =$
 575 231) across all biomes and PFTs, overlaid on the Global Polynomial Model (GPM) of $\ln R$ (solid
 576 black line, bracketed by dashed lines representing 95% confidence intervals), calculated from the
 577 species values of a , b , and c parameters of the polynomial model. The GPM is defined as $\ln R = -$
 578 $2.2276 + 0.1012 * T - 0.0005 * T^2$. The T -response of Q_{10} values (b) based on GPM b and c
 579 coefficients as calculated by $Q_{10} = e^{10 * (0.1012 + (2 * 0.0005 * T))}$, shown with 95% confidence intervals
 580 (dashed lines).

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 582 **Figure 3.** Impact of two T -functions on annual average of modeled instantaneous leaf respiration
 583 rates (R) using the JULES coupled climate-carbon model to extrapolate respiration
 584 measurements (42, 43). Panel (a) shows annual average of leaf R (averaged over the five years of
 585 2010-2014 inclusive) at 18 globally-distributed field sites (Table S1), with annual rates of R
 586 calculated assuming a fixed Q_{10} of 2.0 (43) or our Global Polynomial Model (GPM; Eq. 3).
 587 Annual averages of leaf T (same period) in the upper canopy is shown as green dots. Sites are
 588 ordered by temperature, with site codes as shown in Table S1; (b) shows percentage changes in
 589 annual averages of rates of leaf R that result from switching from a fixed Q_{10} to our GPM,
 590 plotted against annual averages of leaf T – the dashed line shows a parabolic curve fit i.e. with
 591 three degrees of freedom; (c) shows seasonal variation in rates leaf R (expressed on a leaf area
 592 index (LAI) basis) for three thermally contrasting sites (Toolik Lake (tundra), Alaska; Great
 593 Western Woodlands (temperate woodland), Western Australia; and, Paracou (tropical rainforest),
 594 French Guiana). Site-averaged leaf R values at 25°C , measured in the field, were used for the
 595 calculations.

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603 **Table 1. Biome and plant functional type (PFT) mean values (with 95% confidence**
 604 **intervals) of *a*, *b* and *c* coefficients aggregated across all species (*n* = 231).**
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<i>Biome</i>	<i>a</i>		<i>b</i>		<i>c</i>	
Tu	-1.6043 ^a	[-1.8372, -1.3713]	0.1277 ^a	[0.1190, 0.1364]	-0.00107 ^a	[-0.0012, -0.0009]
BF	-2.0043 ^a	[-2.2781, -1.7305]	0.0894 ^a	[0.0665, 0.1122]	-0.00037 ^a	[-0.0008, 0.00003]
TeDF	-2.4286 ^a	[-2.7959, -2.0612]	0.0923 ^a	[0.0757, 0.1089]	-0.00026 ^a	[-0.0006, 0.00004]
TeW	-1.8958 ^a	[-2.3435, -1.4481]	0.0974 ^a	[0.0716, 0.1232]	-0.00040 ^a	[-0.0008, -0.00002]
TeRF	-2.1544 ^a	[-2.4057, -1.9032]	0.1014 ^a	[0.0773, 0.1255]	-0.00046 ^a	[-0.0008, -0.0001]
TrRF_hi	-2.0173 ^a	[-2.5325, -1.5021]	0.1154 ^a	[0.0956, 0.1352]	-0.00071 ^a	[-0.0010, -0.0004]
TrRF_lw	-2.7493 ^a	[-2.9831, -2.5155]	0.0998 ^a	[0.0879, 0.1117]	-0.00047 ^a	[-0.0007, -0.0003]
PFT						
BIDcTmp	-2.2264 ^{ab}	[-2.4829, -1.9699]	0.0993 ^a	[0.0829, 0.1158]	-0.00050 ^a	[-0.0008, -0.0002]
BIDcTrp	-2.7270 ^{ab}	[-3.6757, -1.7782]	0.1125 ^a	[0.0961, 0.1288]	-0.00058 ^a	[-0.0008, -0.0003]
BIEvTmp	-1.8106 ^a	[-2.3349, -1.2864]	0.0896 ^a	[0.0577, 0.1215]	-0.00021 ^a	[-0.0007, 0.0003]
BIEvTrp	-2.6105 ^b	[-2.8366, -2.3844]	0.1022 ^a	[0.0912, 0.1132]	-0.00052 ^a	[-0.0007, -0.0003]
C ₃ H	-1.7507 ^{ab}	[-2.0680, -1.4334]	0.1271 ^a	[0.1169, 0.1374]	-0.00110 ^a	[-0.0013, -0.0009]
NIEv	-2.0464 ^{ab}	[-2.5569, -1.5358]	0.1125 ^a	[0.0934, 0.1316]	-0.00063 ^a	[-0.0009, -0.0004]
SEv	-1.8150 ^a	[-2.4609, -1.1691]	0.0971 ^a	[0.0593, 0.1349]	-0.00047 ^a	[-0.0006, -0.0004]
Global Mean	-2.2276	[-2.3966, -2.0586]	0.1012	[0.0921, 0.1104]	-0.00050	[-0.0006, -0.0004]

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 607 Biomes and numbers of species (*n*) include tundra (Tu, *n* = 20), boreal forest (BF, *n* = 25),
 608 temperate deciduous forest (TeDF, *n* = 10), temperate woodland (TeW, *n* = 67), temperate
 609 rainforest (TeRF, *n* = 12), high elevation tropical rainforest (TrRF_hi, *n* = 16), and low elevation
 610 tropical rainforest (TrRF_lw, *n* = 81); PFTs include broadleaf deciduous temperate (BIDcTmp, *n*
 611 = 40), broadleaf deciduous tropical (BIDcTrp, *n* = 4), broadleaf evergreen temperate (BIEvTmp,
 612 *n* = 38), broadleaf evergreen tropical (BIEvTrp, *n* = 88), C₃ herbaceous (C₃H, *n* = 13), needle-leaf
 613 evergreen (NIEv, *n* = 13), and evergreen shrubs (SEv, *n* = 35). Values were calculated using
 614 natural-log-transformed rates of leaf respiration *R-T* curve data available from the ~10-45°C
 615 curve range. The global mean value was calculated aggregating all individual species parameter
 616 values. To determine the effect Biome and PFT groups, we used a mixed-model that nested
 617 random effects terms, with Species nested in Site when evaluating Biome, and Species as a
 618 single random effect to evaluate the fixed effect of PFT. Post-hoc comparisons based on least-
 619 square means determine differences between Biome and PFT groups; differences are noted by
 620 unshared letters. Confidence intervals were calculated from individual species' curves.

Figure 1

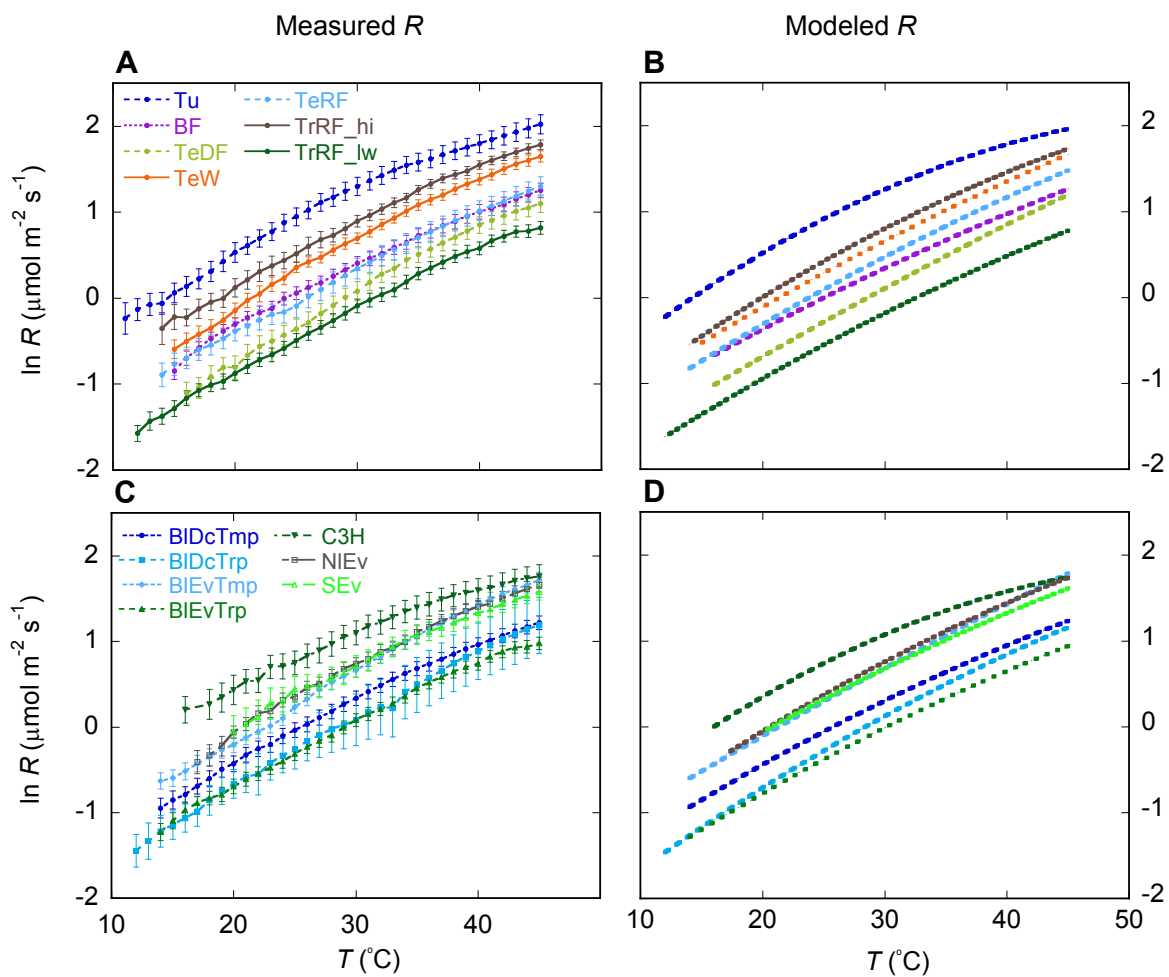


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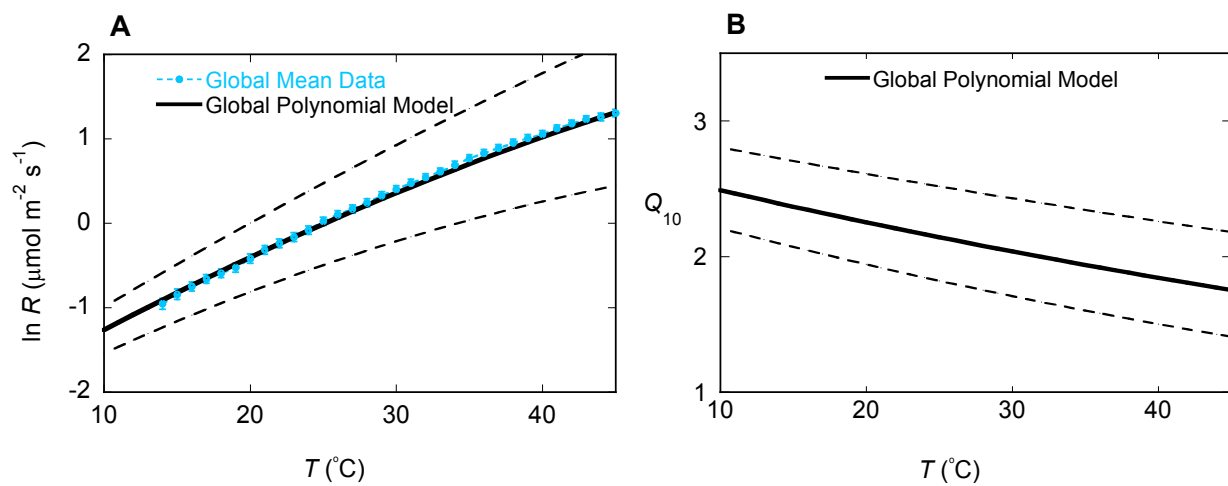
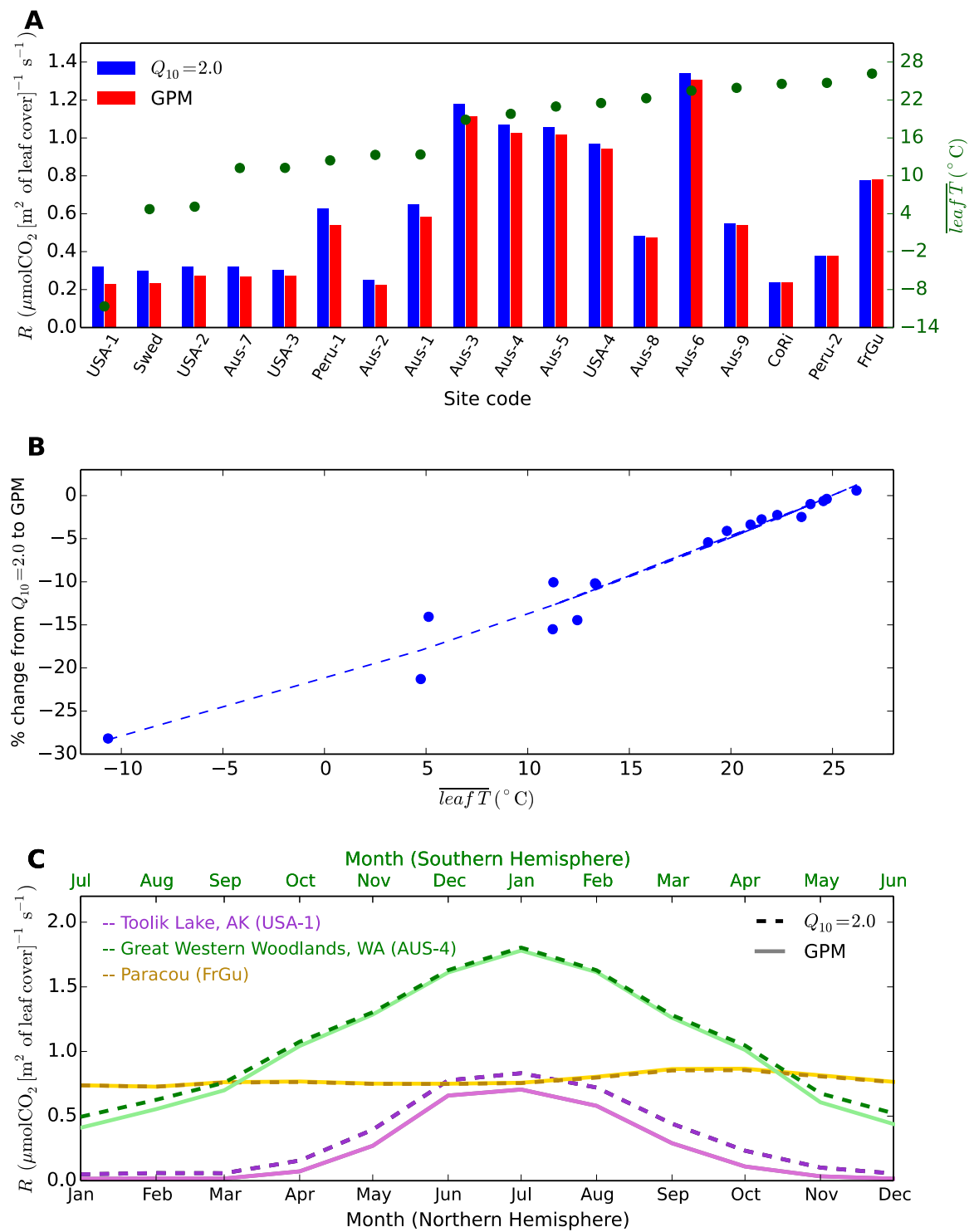


Figure 3



1 **Supporting Information**

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4 **Materials and Methods**

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6 *Quantification of R-T curves and model comparison*

7 The main objective of this study was to assess how leaf R responds to T experienced across their
8 current environmental range within the growing season. For this reason, we limited the T range
9 of replicate curves evaluated in this study to 10-45°C. Though it is possible that T experienced by
10 leaves may exceed this range, especially in arctic tundra and hot, arid woodland ecosystems, 10-
11 45°C approximately spans the mean T of the warmest quarter (i.e. warmest 3-month period) for
12 all sites presented in this study (Table S1).

13 Before analyzing T responses of R across biomes and plant functional types, we needed to
14 determine which model would best describe the nuances of this response. Physiological model
15 representations of plant respiratory T response can vary in their complexity and ability to account
16 for observed biological patterns, such as decreases in the T sensitivity of R over increasing T s.
17 For example, Arrhenius and fixed- Q_{10} exponential equations, which are widely utilized in many
18 TBMs (6, 7) and feature little or no T -sensitivity of the R - T response across biologically relevant
19 T ranges. Thus, these models, and the Universal Temperature Dependence (UTD) model (15)
20 (which provides a nearly identical response as the Arrhenius) tend to over-predict R rates at low
21 and high T s when compared to observed R data (Extended Data Fig. 1). The Lloyd & Taylor (17)
22 model contains a modified activation energy parameter to improve the representation of R in
23 Arrhenius-based physiological models by allowing for a T -variable response. An R - T model
24 presented by Tjoelker *et al.* integrates the T -dependence of R more explicitly, which accounts for
25 a predictable T -variable Q_{10} shared among species representing several diverse environments
26 (16). To date, data available to rigorously test alternative empirical model fits were typically
27 constrained by low resolution and a narrow range of measurement T s, and were further limited
28 by species sample sizes when testing for biomes and PFTs differences. Generally, the inclusion
29 of a T -variable Q_{10} to model the T -response of R substantially improves predicted estimates of R
30 (Fig. S1) compared to models that do not include this parameter (i.e. Arrhenius, UTD,
31 exponential fixed- Q_{10}) and to models whose T -variable parameter effect is less pronounced (i.e.

32 Lloyd & Taylor). Recent high-resolution T -response curves for a single species (27) were
 33 consistent with the general shape of the T -variable Q_{10} (5).

34

35 Exponential fixed- Q_{10} :

$$36 \quad R = R_{T_{ref}} * Q_{10}^{\frac{T-T_{ref}}{10}}$$

37

38 where $R_{T_{ref}}$ is the rate of R at chosen reference T (T_{ref} , in °C) and Q_{10} is a fixed value.

39

40 Arrhenius

$$41 \quad R = R_{T_{ref}} * e^{\left[\frac{Ea}{(r*T_{ref})} * \left(1 - \frac{T_{ref}}{T}\right)\right]}$$

42

43 where $R_{T_{ref}}$ is the rate of R at chosen reference T (T_{ref} , in K), Ea is an activation energy and r
 44 is the gas law constant, $8.314 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$.

45

46 UTD

$$47 \quad R = R_0 * e^{\left[\frac{Ei*T}{kT_0^2 * \left(1 + \frac{T}{T_0}\right)}\right]}$$

48 where R_0 is the rate of R at 273K (T_0), Ei is an activation energy and k is Boltzmann's
 49 constant, $8.61733 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV K}^{-1}$.

50

51 Lloyd & Taylor

$$52 \quad R = R_{T_{ref}} * e^{Eo \left[\frac{1}{(T_{ref}-T_0)} - \frac{1}{T-T_0} \right]}$$

53

54 where $R_{T_{ref}}$ is the rate of R at chosen reference T (T_{ref}), Eo is an activation energy, and T_0 ,
 55 which is a temperature between T and 0K.

56

57 Variable- Q_{10}

$$58 \quad R = R_{T_{ref}}(x - y) * \left(\frac{T + T_{ref}}{2}\right)^{\frac{T-T_{ref}}{10}}$$

59 where $R_{T_{\text{ref}}}$ is the rate of R at chosen reference T (T_{ref}), and x and y are constants that describe the
60 temperature dependence of Q_{10} .

61

62 Finally, the Polynomial Model (Eq. 1), where a , b , and c are fit coefficients from the second
63 order polynomial applied to \ln -transformed R .

64

65 Over all the replicates available, we assessed the mean residuals produced from each model
66 at each T , from 10-45°C (Fig. S2a). The Arrhenius model and UTD models produced identical
67 fits, due to their similar structure and use of a single activation energy value; for this reason, we
68 treat their response as identical for comparisons (Fig. S2a). We found a pronounced difference
69 between models that included a T -dependent parameter or allowed for T -sensitivity of the T -
70 response (variable- Q_{10} , polynomial, and to a lesser degree Lloyd & Taylor), and models that did
71 not (exponential fixed- Q_{10} , Arrhenius/UTD), mainly in their ability to fit R at low T s. Overall,
72 the models that allowed for the most T -sensitivity – the variable- Q_{10} and the polynomial –
73 provided the lowest mean residuals considering all T s. These results were also seen when fitting
74 all models to the mean R response of individual biomes and plant functional type groups, as well
75 as with the mean R response of all species. Between the variable- Q_{10} and polynomial models, the
76 polynomial model is further removed from the dependence on the concept of Q_{10} formulation,
77 which can be problematic in applying in larger biosphere models, and further, it does not rely on
78 biologically-based assumptions of activation energies. For these reasons we selected to use the
79 polynomial model when comparing the global database of R - T response curves. It should be
80 noted that the main conclusion of this study – the global convergence in T response of leaf R –
81 would still be supported if we chose other models that allow for T -dependent changes in the R - T
82 response (i.e. variable- Q_{10} or Lloyd & Taylor, data not shown); however, the polynomial fit
83 provides the least error across the T range.

84 Thus, based on the results of model comparison between the commonly applied R - T model
85 functions on all replicates, we confirmed results found in O'Sullivan et al. (27) that a 2nd order
86 polynomial can best represent how R (here, log transformed) responds to T between 10-45°C.
87 The polynomial fit of the replicate T response curves (Eq. 1) provides three coefficients: a , the y -

88 axis intercept; b , the value of the slope when $T = 0^\circ\text{C}$; and c , which determines the decline in the
89 slope (i.e. curvature) with increasing measuring T . Thus, each replicate fitted T response curve
90 provides a specific a , b , and c value.

91

92 *Tests for normality and outlier removal*

93 The total number of T response curves of R originally collected across all field campaigns was
94 787, though ~40 measured replicate curves were not included in initial analysis due to
95 measurement error caused by instability of the measurement equipment under hot conditions.
96 Replicate measurements were removed from the remaining dataset prior to analysis when values
97 of R at 25°C (area- and mass-based), and values of Q_{10} at 25°C and 10°C were found to be
98 greater or less than two times the interquartile range of all values (values were log-transformed
99 for normality when necessary). Following that filter for outliers, replicates where values of b and
100 c exceeded more than two times the interquartile range of all remaining values were removed.
101 The final dataset consisted of 673 replicate measured R temperature-response curves resulting in
102 a total of 231 individual species-site means, which were used for data analysis.

103

104 *Segmented interval analysis*

105 Our study aimed to compare the T response of R , measured at high-resolution between 10 and
106 45°C across species representing diverse ecosystems and plant forms and functional types.
107 Collecting these response curves under field conditions can sometimes restrict the minimum T
108 reached prior to curve measurement initiation due to limitations in the ability of the peltier
109 cooling system of the leaf cuvette to reach 10°C , especially in hot climates. While the rate of
110 warming and reaching of high temperatures were not restricted by the field site environmental
111 conditions, the starting T was often $\sim 5^\circ\text{C}$ above 10°C for measurements made at the hotter sites.
112 For this reason, there is some variability in the low, starting T of replicate curves.

113 The variation in starting T values between curves posed a potential issue when comparing
114 curves of different ranges (i.e. $10\text{-}45^\circ\text{C}$, $17\text{-}45^\circ\text{C}$, $24\text{-}45^\circ\text{C}$, etc), and their resulting a , b , and c
115 parameters. To address this issue, we performed a ‘segmented interval analysis’, wherein each
116 replicate curve was divided into 20°C length segments ($10\text{-}30^\circ\text{C}$, $15\text{-}35^\circ\text{C}$, $20\text{-}40^\circ\text{C}$, and 25-

117 45°C) and a polynomial fit was applied to each segment (Fig. S3). The values of a , b , and c
118 derived from each segmented interval were then compared to each other and the a , b , and c
119 values derived from the original, full-length, non-segmented curve that included the maximum
120 amount of data (Table S2). A mixed-model analysis, which accounted for the unbalanced dataset
121 and potential random effects of Biome and PFT, indicated that none of the parameter values
122 derived from the distinct, 20°C segments differed significantly from the parameter values from
123 response curves that contained all data available (Table S2). While there was some variation
124 between distinct segmented intervals, the lack of significance between any segment and the full
125 length curve supported our use of the full curves, as they provided the most information for a
126 given replicate without compromising comparisons between curves of different lengths.

127

128 *Ecologically relevant parameters*

129 In addition to the full measured T range (10-45°C), we also calculated polynomial parameters a ,
130 b , and c , for an ‘ecologically relevant’ T range - a 20°C span centered around the mean T value of
131 the warmest quarter at the sampling site, which represents an approximation of growing season T
132 range. The parameters for the ‘ecologically relevant’ T range (Table S3) follow similar patterns
133 in variation amongst intercept values (a) as those calculated using the ‘Full T range’, and
134 maintain no difference in b and c between biome or PFT groups, suggesting the fundamental
135 response curve shape is unaffected by measurement T range. Thus, despite differences among
136 biomes and PFTs in the offset, the shared shape and curvature of the response of R to T , as
137 defined by the b and c model parameters, did not differ significantly, whether over the full T
138 range or the ‘ecologically relevant’ T range (Table 1 and S3).

139

140 *Parameterizing JULES for modeling leaf-R*

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142 The JULES model is the land surface description for the current UK Hadley Centre HadGEM
143 family of Global Circulation Models (28). Two key requirements placed on the model are to
144 determine the split of surface available energy into sensible and latent heat fluxes, and to
145 calculate terrestrial carbon cycling and thus the role of ecosystems in the changing global carbon
146 cycle. The two calculations are coupled, as in one configuration JULES can operate with a

147 Dynamic Global Vegetation Model (DGVM) component; TRIFFID (28, 53). Climatically
 148 induced changes to leaf components such as stomatal opening can alter net primary productivity,
 149 which in turn can feedback on energy partitioning via DGVM projections of altered Leaf Area
 150 Index (LAI).

151 The JULES model is also available independent of a GCM, and as a fully offline
 152 description of terrestrial response. Our descriptions of leaf R could be modeled completely
 153 independent of any land surface model, if leaf-level temperature is known throughout our years
 154 of interest. In general this quantity is unavailable, and so the main purpose of our JULES
 155 simulations is to generate leaf T values resulting from the WFDEI-based estimated mean screen-
 156 level meteorological conditions (41). Leaf level T is a diagnostic from the JULES solution to the
 157 surface energy balance, a consequence of solution to a form of the Penman-Monteith equation
 158 (54). This value will depend on parameters set, including LAI (28). In our configuration, as LAI
 159 is known at each site, this value is prescribed although it is allowed to change as the model is
 160 extrapolated to other seasons to capture phenology on leaf cover – hence the “dynamic”
 161 component of TRIFFID is overridden.

162 Further, in other applications of JULES, leaf R varies through the canopy, and then the
 163 energy balance will create different leaf T values through the canopy due to changing light
 164 levels. As we are interested in leaf-level response of fully sun exposed leaves, for this run we
 165 ignore intra-canopy variability in the resulting R values. That is, a “tree” of LAI of unity, and
 166 with no self-shading. The exception to this is inclusion of phenology, where we normalized leaf
 167 R by $LAI(t)/LAI_M$, where t is time, $LAI(t)$ is modeled LAI based only on phenological changes,
 168 and LAI_M is maximum, prescribed LAI.

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Table S1. Geographic, climatic, and sampling information of field sites from which leaves were sampled for measurement.

Biome	Dates of measurement	Lat. (°N)	Long. (°E)	Elevation (m.a.s.l.)	MAT (°C)	TWQ (°C)	Annual precip. (mm)	Aridity index	PFTs represented	No. Species	No. total reps	Fig. 3A site code
Tundra												
Toolik Lake, AK, USA	June 2010	68.63	-149.6	720	-11.3	8.2	225	0.61	C3H, BIDcTmp, SEv, NIEv	20	79	USA-1
Boreal Forest												
Umea, Sweden	Aug. 2013	63.821	20.311	29	2.5	14.3	579	1.13	BIDcTmp, NIEv	10	37	Swed
Ely, MN, USA	July 2013	47.956	-91.75	420	3.2	17.6	703	0.9	BIDcTmp, NIEv	15	59	USA-2
Temperate Deciduous Forest												
Black Rk Forest, NY, USA	June 2013	41.408	-74.012	335	7.43	19.52	1103	1.17	BIDcTmp	10	38	USA-3
Temperate Woodland												
Aranda, ACT, AUS	Sept. 2011	-35.275	149.079	580	12.7	19.5	682	0.55	BIEvTmp	10	33	AUS-1
ANU campus, ACT, AUS	March 2012	-35.279	149.108	571	13.1	19.8	637	0.51	BIDcTmp	4	15	AUS-2
Calperum, SA, AUS	March 2013	-34.037	140.674	35	17.25	23.6	255	0.17	SEv, BIEvTmp, NIEv	16	34	AUS-3
College Station, TX, USA	Oct. 2010	30.6	-96.400	103	20	28.5	995	0.68	BIDcTmp, NIEv	2	8	USA-4
Great Western Woodlands, WA, AUS	April 2013	-30.264	120.692	459	18.5	25.6	273	0.18	SEv, BIEvTmp, NIEv, C3H	16	41	AUS-4
Jurien Bay, WA, AUS	Nov. 2011	-30.241	115.071	23	18.87	23.83	558	0.39	BIDcTmp, SEv, C3H, BIEvTmp	15	56	AUS-5
Alice Mulga, NT, AUS	Feb. 2012	-22.283	133.249	607	22.4	28.9	321	0.17	BIEvTmp, SEv	4	6	AUS-6
Temperate Rain Forest												
Warra, TAS, AUS	March 2012	-43.095	146.724	86	10.78	14.43	1380	1.69	BIEvTmp, SEv	12	45	AUS-7
Tropical Rainforest (high altitude)												
Wayquecha, Peru	Sept. 2011	-13.19	-71.587	3000	13.4	14.5	335	0.23	BIEvTrp	16	17	PERU-1
Tropical Rainforest (low altitude)												
San Isidro Costa Rica	July 2011	10.38	-84.620	479	24	25	4045	2.61	BIEvTrp, SEv	5	16	CoRi
Atherton, QLD, AUS	Aug. 2012	-17.12	145.632	728	21	23.8	2140	1.47	BIEvTrp	16	58	AUS-8
Cape Tribulation, FNQ, AUS	Sept. 2010	-16.28	145.480	90	25.2	27.5	2087	1.39	BIEvTrp	12	35	AUS-9
Paracou, French Guiana	Oct. 2010	5.27	-52.920	21	25.8	26.2	2824	1.88	BIEvTrp, BIDcTrp	32	76	FrGu
Iquitos, Peru	Sept. 2011	-3.949	-73.434	114	25.3	26.8	2769	1.64	BIEvTrp	16	16	PERU-2

The aridity index is the quotient of mean annual precipitation divided by mean annual evapotranspiration ([55](#)).

Table S2. Mean values (+/- S.D.) of coefficients (*a*, *b*, and *c*) of polynomial models of the ln *R-T* response, calculated for four 20°C segmented intervals across the full-measurement range of the response for all replicate curves (*n*=673).

Segmented Interval Range	<i>n</i>	<i>a</i>	S.D.		<i>b</i>	S.D.		<i>c</i>	S.D.	
10-30 °C	346	-2.1001	1.2962	a	0.0969	0.0944	a	-0.00044	0.00210	a
15-35 °C	523	-2.1539	1.3440	ab	0.0979	0.0896	a	-0.00045	0.00169	a
20-40 °C	623	-2.1203	1.8446	a	0.0964	0.1168	a	-0.00042	0.00189	a
25-45 °C	599	-2.3610	1.4938	b	0.1163	0.0764	b	-0.00076	0.00108	b
Complete available <i>T</i> range	673	-2.2003	1.3559	ab	0.1034	0.0715	ab	-0.00055	0.00110	ab

Values of *a*, *b*, and *c* parameters were statistically compared individually using a mixed-model with the segmented interval range as a fixed-effect, and nests the random effects of Biome and PFT for each replicate. This approach accommodates the unbalanced dataset across the interval ranges. Significant variation between parameters by segment range is marked with unshared letters. Parameter values calculated from ln *R-T* curves that include all available data are not significantly different than any parameter values calculated from individual 20°C segmented intervals, justifying our use of all available data for the calculation of coefficient values.

Table S3. ‘Ecologically relevant’ mean *a*, *b* and *c* parameter values and 95% confidence intervals (in brackets) of biomes and plant functional types (PFTs) across all species.

Biome	<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>n</i>			
Tu	-1.6297 ^{ab}	[-2.1322, -1.1272]	0.1257 ^a	[0.0869, 0.1645]	-0.00095 ^a	[-0.0018, -0.0001]	20
BF	-1.9455 ^{ab}	[-2.3502, -1.5409]	0.0836 ^a	[0.0488, 0.1184]	-0.00025 ^a	[-0.0010, 0.0004]	25
TeDF	-1.8827 ^{ab}	[-2.2722, -1.4931]	0.0423 ^a	[0.0162, 0.0683]	0.00080 ^a	[0.0002, 0.0014]	10
TeW	-1.5478 ^a	[-2.1334, -0.9622]	0.0743 ^a	[0.0357, 0.1130]	0.000002 ^a	[-0.0006, 0.0006]	66
TeRF	-2.0273 ^{ab}	[-2.4007, -1.6540]	0.0986 ^a	[0.0625, 0.1347]	-0.00051 ^a	[-0.0014, 0.0003]	13
TrRF_hi	-1.9061 ^{ab}	[-2.4132, -1.3990]	0.0961 ^a	[0.0704, 0.1218]	-0.00056 ^a	[-0.0011, -0.00003]	16
TrRF_lw	-2.7370 ^b	[-3.1060, -2.3679]	0.1070 ^a	[0.0837, 0.1302]	-0.00038 ^a	[-0.0008, 0.00004]	81
PFT							
BIDcTmp	-1.9553 ^{ab}	[-2.2335, -1.6770]	0.0800 ^a	[0.0578, 0.1022]	-0.00013 ^a	[-0.0006, 0.0003]	40
BIDcTrp	-3.1352 ^{ab}	[-4.3860, -1.8843]	0.1526 ^a	[0.0821, 0.2230]	-0.00165 ^a	[-0.0038, 0.0005]	4
BIEvTmp	-1.2877 ^a	[-1.9003, -0.6751]	0.0518 ^a	[0.0127, 0.0909]	0.00047 ^a	[-0.0002, 0.0011]	34
BIEvTrp	-2.5695 ^b	[-2.9071, -2.2318]	0.0962 ^a	[0.0756, 0.1168]	-0.00037 ^a	[-0.0007, -0.000001]	92
C ₃ H	-1.6821 ^{ab}	[-2.1694, -1.1948]	0.1272 ^a	[0.0928, 0.1615]	-0.00103 ^a	[-0.0017, -0.0004]	13
NIEv	-1.7876 ^{ab}	[-2.6843, -0.8909]	0.0864 ^a	[0.0148, 0.1579]	-0.00013 ^a	[-0.0015, 0.0005]	13
SEv	-1.8495 ^{ab}	[-2.7611, -0.9379]	0.1003 ^a	[0.0390, 0.1616]	-0.00054 ^a	[-0.0015, 0.0005]	35
Global Mean	-2.0812	[-2.3137, -1.8487]	0.0897	[0.0747, 0.1046]	-0.00027	[-0.0005, -0.00001]	231

Biomes and PFTs are listed in the text of Table 1. The parameters were calculated from a 20°C interval of the *R-T* response curve that best represents *T*s experienced by an individual species at the site from which it was sampled, based on the mean *T* of the warmest quarter (55) therefore referred to as the ‘Ecologically relevant *T* range’. The global mean value was calculated considering all species parameter values equally. To determine the influence of Biome and PFT on the parameter values, we used a mixed-model that nested random effect terms, with Species nested in Site when evaluating Biome, and with nested Species as a random effect when evaluating PFT. Significant differences across biomes and PFT groups were evaluated by a post-hoc comparison of least-square means, and are indicated by unshared letters. ‘Ecologically relevant’ values of these parameters are not statistically significantly different from the ‘Full *T* range’ parameter values (Table 1), as determined by a separate mixed-model analysis, with Site nested in Biome, and Species nested in PFT.

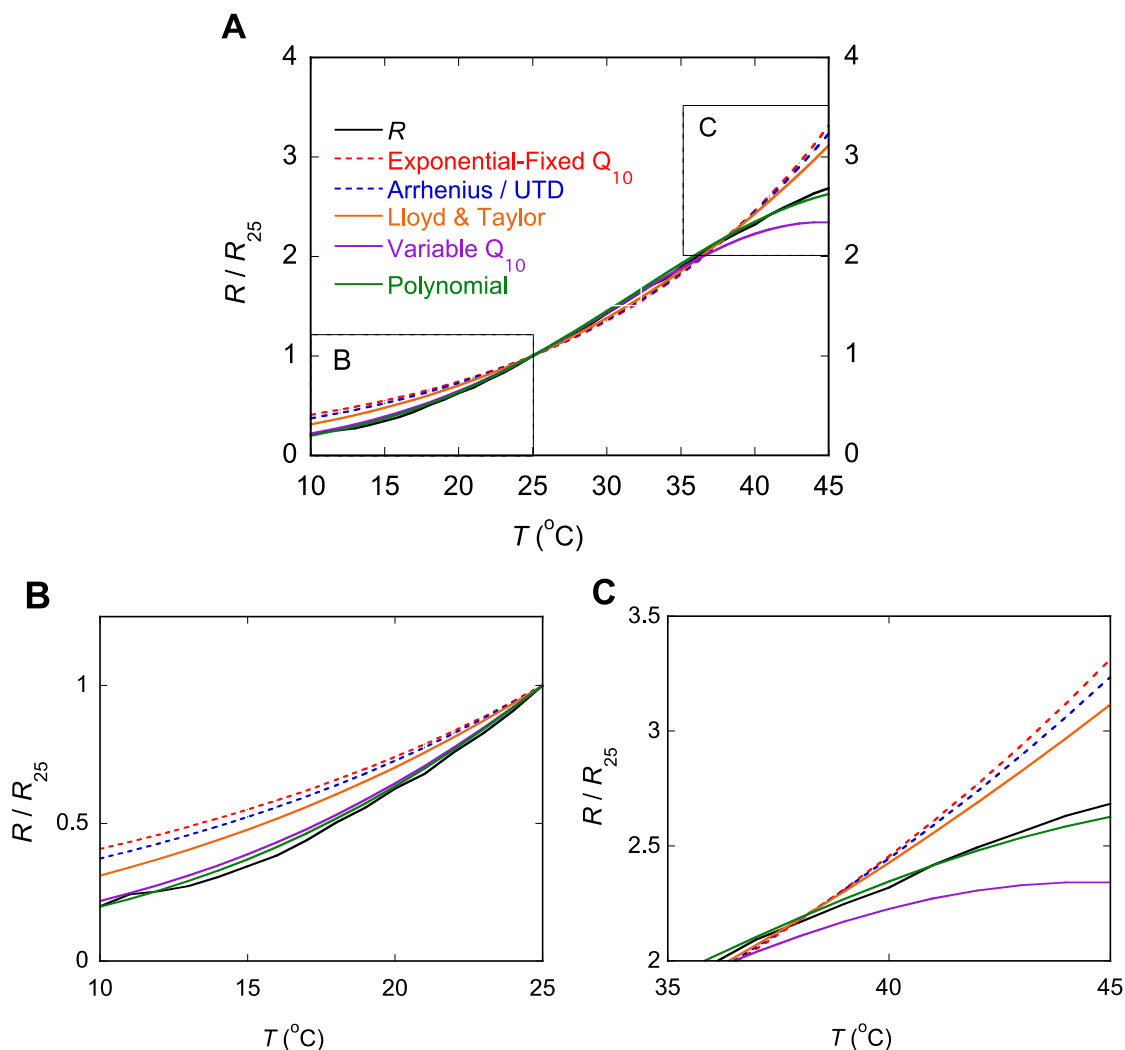


Figure S1. An example temperature (T) response curve of respiration (R) from 10-45°C, normalized to the rate of R at 25°C (solid black line), displayed with commonly applied functional models of the T -response (also normalized to 25°C) that vary in their characterization of R (A) Functional models that do not account for the temperature-dependent T -sensitivity of the R - T response (Exponential-Fixed Q_{10} , Arrhenius / UTD(15)) are represented with dashed lines, and models that do account for this sensitivity (Lloyd & Taylor(17), Variable Q_{10} (12, 16), and Polynomial(27)) are shown with solid lines. Differences between the functional models are more pronounced at T s below 20°C (B) and above 40°C (C).

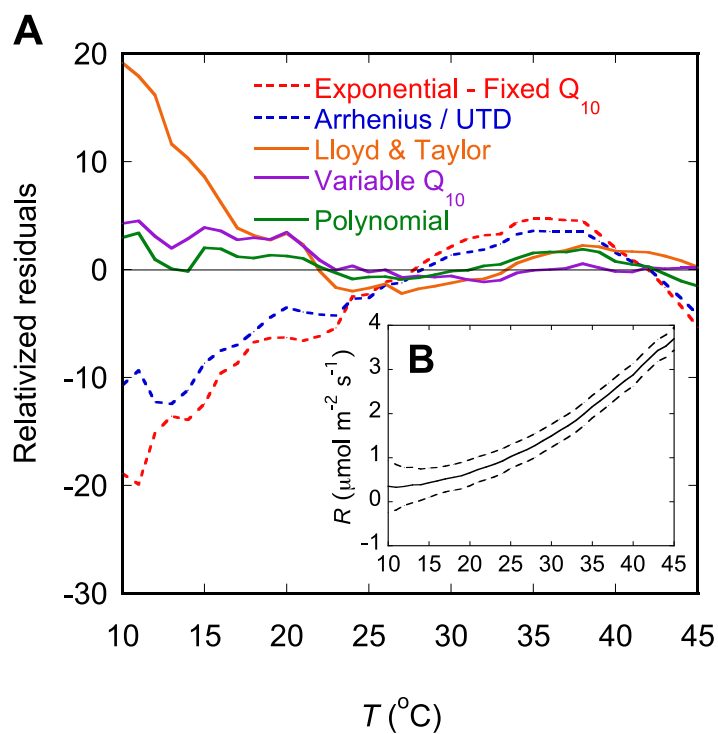


Figure S2. Mean relativized residuals (percent error in prediction) of estimates of commonly applied models based on all replicate R - T response curves. All replicates ($n = 673$ leaves) across 10-45°C (**a**) highlight the significance of T -dependent parameter inclusion, as seen in the variable- Q_{10} and polynomial fits (solid lines) in contrast to the fixed- T sensitivity models (broken lines). The global mean response of R to T across all species measured in this study (**b**, inset, $n = 231$) are bracketed by 95% CI (dashed lines).

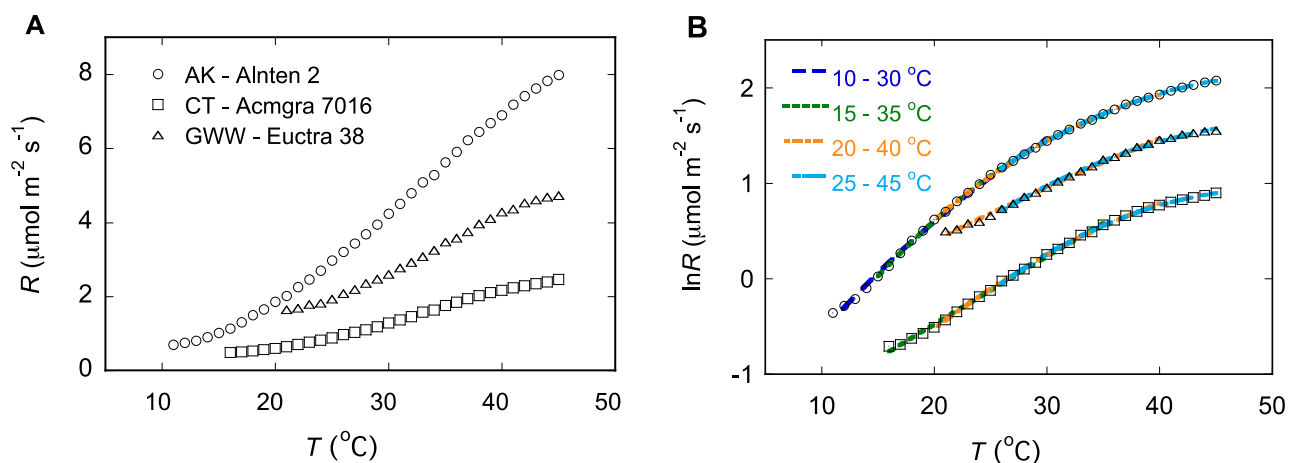


Figure S3. Segmented interval approach to polynomial model analysis. Three representative leaf respiration (R)- temperature response curves (A) of replicate leaves of sampled species from Toolik Lake, Alaska, USA (AK; *Alnus tenuifolia*), Cape Tribulation, Far North Queensland, AUS (CT; *Acmena graveolens*), and Great Western Woodlands, Western Australia sites (GWW; *Eucalyptus transcontinentalis*). To assess the effect of measurement T range variation in a , b , and c parameters calculated from the log-polynomial fit, we used a “segmented interval” approach (B). The segmented interval approach fit polynomial curves across 20 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ range intervals of replicate $\ln R$ data, specifically 10-30 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (blue), 15-35 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (green), 20-40 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (orange), and 25-45 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (light blue) as shown in panel (B). The resulting a , b , and c parameters calculated from these segmented intervals were then statistically compared to each other, and to the a , b , and c values resulting from a polynomial fit that included the entire range of data available from the original measured R - T replica

Table S4. Polynomial parameter values of all species included in analysis, grouped by biome and site. Plant functional type (PFT) is identified for each species. The polynomial curve fit parameters for each species at each site is presented, for both the full fit using all available data from the *R-T* response curve measurement, and for a 20°C segment of the *R-T* response curve representing an ecologically meaningful *T* range. An asterisk (*) denotes the use of the next closest 20°C segment for the ecologically relevant *T* range when the most appropriate segment was unavailable given the data from the original curve. The number of replicate measurements made for each species (*n*) is shown in the far right column.

Biome/Site	Species	PFT	All data available <i>T</i> range			Ecologically meaningful <i>T</i> range			<i>n</i>
<i>Tundra</i>			<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>	<i>c</i>	
Toolik Lake, AK, USA			10-30 °C						
	<i>Arnica alpina</i>	C3H	-1.9003	0.1219	-0.00119	-1.7136	0.0980	-0.00050	4
	<i>Alnus tenuifolia</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.1640	0.1657	-0.00163	-2.5618	0.1997	-0.00231	4
	<i>Anemone narcissiflora</i>	C3H	-1.9126	0.1541	-0.00166	-1.0177	0.1284	-0.00148	* 5
	<i>Arctostaphylos alpina</i>	BIDcTmp	-1.4768	0.1115	-0.00086	-1.2844	0.0938	-0.00041	3
	<i>Astragalus umbellatus</i>	C3H	-1.4413	0.1365	-0.00123	-1.0394	0.0920	-0.00019	4
	<i>Cassiope tetragona</i>	SEv	-1.9700	0.1106	-0.00085	-2.1632	0.1232	-0.00104	5
	<i>Dryas octopetala</i>	SEv	-1.7594	0.1735	-0.00179	-4.4573	0.3383	-0.00472	4
	<i>Empetrum nigrum</i>	SEv	-2.6064	0.1349	-0.00105	-0.4779	-0.0475	0.00307	4
	<i>Epilobium latifolium</i>	C3H	-1.2596	0.1265	-0.00111	-1.1172	0.1132	-0.00075	4
	<i>Eriophorum angustifolium</i>	C3H	-1.9139	0.1164	-0.00078	-1.8115	0.1054	-0.00051	4
	<i>Ledum palustre</i>	SEv	-0.8136	0.1127	-0.00068	-0.7913	0.1100	-0.00062	3
	<i>Pedicularis capitata</i>	C3H	-1.0286	0.1208	-0.00113	-0.9162	0.1094	-0.00087	4
	<i>Picea glauca</i>	NIEv	-0.7909	0.1110	-0.00062	0.0453	0.0039	0.00204	4
	<i>Polygonum bistorta</i>	C3H	-0.7664	0.1154	-0.00099	-0.6725	0.1045	-0.00071	4
	<i>Populus balsamifera</i>	BIDcTmp	-1.5489	0.1265	-0.00110	-1.4311	0.1126	-0.00072	4
	<i>Potentilla nivea</i>	C3H	-1.9075	0.1302	-0.00118	-4.1282	0.3230	-0.00472	3
	<i>Rhododendron lapponicum</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.3657	0.1367	-0.00101	-2.0358	0.0955	-0.00008	4
	<i>Rubus chamaemorus</i>	C3H	-1.6090	0.1436	-0.00143	-1.3039	0.1118	-0.00068	4
	<i>Salix reticulata</i>	BIDcTmp	-0.9819	0.0975	-0.00051	-0.9173	0.0880	-0.00023	4
	<i>Vaccinium vitis-ideae</i>	BIDcTmp	-1.8687	0.1074	-0.00067	-2.7988	0.2108	-0.00355	4
Boreal Forest									

Umea, Sweden					10-30 °C			
<i>Vaccinium myrtillus</i>	BIDcTmp	-0.2512	-0.1411	0.00373	-0.0849	-0.1552	0.00398	2
<i>Betula nana</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.0304	0.1032	-0.00081	-2.0857	0.1007	-0.00080	4
<i>Salix caprea</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.5727	0.1404	-0.00115	-2.1867	0.1283	-0.00107	4
<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	NIEv	-1.0969	0.0701	-0.00001	-0.7587	0.0308	0.00100	4
<i>Alnus icana</i>	BIDcTmp	-1.2662	0.0407	0.00039	-0.7611	-0.0162	0.00181	4
<i>Betula pendula</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.4912	0.0929	-0.00025	-2.8395	0.1317	-0.00125	3
<i>Picea abies</i>	NIEv	-2.0531	0.1133	-0.00065	-2.3557	0.1428	-0.00138	4
<i>Vaccinium vitis</i>	BIDcTmp	-1.0555	0.0199	0.00059	-1.2049	0.0312	0.00044	4
<i>Populus tremula</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.9989	0.1393	-0.00110	-3.0275	0.1587	-0.00160	4
<i>Calluna vulgaris</i>	BIDcTmp	-1.2378	0.0868	-0.00036	-0.8020	0.0469	0.00068	4
Ely, MN, USA					10-30 °C			
<i>Fraxinus nigra</i>	BIDcTmp	-1.4356	0.0567	0.00013	-0.5135	-0.0203	0.00165	* 3
<i>Betula papyrifera</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.4348	0.1155	-0.00092	-2.7470	0.1499	-0.00174	* 4
<i>Populus tremuloides</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.3407	0.0985	-0.00050	-1.4438	0.0189	0.00130	4
<i>Acer rubrum</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.3407	0.0985	-0.00050	-1.4438	0.0189	0.00130	4
<i>Populus balsam</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.5001	0.1367	-0.00142	-2.1929	0.1119	-0.00093	4
<i>Abies balsam</i>	NIEv	-3.1896	0.1691	-0.00168	-3.9463	0.2350	-0.00303	* 4
<i>Thuja occidentalis</i>	NIEv	-1.9832	0.1271	-0.00107	-1.5735	0.0927	-0.00034	4
<i>Pinus strobus</i>	NIEv	-2.2607	0.1123	-0.00072	-3.0102	0.1854	-0.00264	4
<i>Pinus banksiana</i>	NIEv	-1.3082	0.0585	0.00026	-0.9010	0.0202	0.00108	4
<i>Alnus rugosa</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.4043	0.0854	-0.00030	-2.2306	0.1041	-0.00096	4
<i>Corylus cornuta</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.4394	0.1015	-0.00071	-2.2531	0.1078	-0.00113	4
<i>Diervilla lonicera</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.9152	0.1137	-0.00080	-2.9369	0.1230	-0.00106	* 4
<i>Larix laricina</i>	NIEv	-1.9624	0.0793	-0.00015	-2.7836	0.1395	-0.00146	* 5
<i>Picea mariana</i>	NIEv	-1.7913	0.1199	-0.00090	-3.6048	0.2310	-0.00299	4
<i>Picea glauca</i>	NIEv	-1.7470	0.0956	-0.00038	-0.9507	-0.0271	0.00283	3
Temperate Deciduous Forest								
Black Rock Forest, NY, USA					10-30 °C			
<i>Populus tremuloides</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.7105	0.0663	0.00061	-2.2238	0.0250	0.00141	4
<i>Carya glabra</i>	BIDcTmp	-3.2114	0.1398	-0.00089	-2.3682	0.0839	0.00001	5

<i>Liliodendron tulipifera</i>	BIDcTmp	-3.0140	0.1274	-0.00095	-2.0939	0.0617	0.00034	5
<i>Quercus rubra</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.1856	0.0770	0.00013	-1.3596	0.0296	0.00075	4
<i>Acer saccharum</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.9497	0.1136	-0.00058	-2.3212	0.0518	0.00083	3
<i>Acer rubrum</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.5504	0.1043	-0.00049	-1.2108	-0.0424	0.00294	4
<i>Quercus prinus</i>	BIDcTmp	-1.9351	0.0751	-0.00011	-1.5395	0.0291	0.00106	4
<i>Betula papyrifera</i>	BIDcTmp	-1.4458	0.0687	-0.00027	-1.5601	0.0674	0.00001	2
<i>Populus grandidentata</i>	BIDcTmp	-1.6903	0.0777	-0.00004	-1.0883	0.0097	0.00149	* 4
<i>Betula lenta</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.5929	0.0731	0.00000	-3.0612	0.1068	-0.00085	3
Temperate Woodland								
Aranda, ACT, AUS					10-30 °C			
<i>Eucalyptus blakelyi</i>	BIEvTmp	-1.5723	0.0930	-0.00032	-1.4216	0.0756	0.00012	3
<i>Eucalyptus bridgesiana</i>	BIEvTmp	-2.0647	0.1138	-0.00074	-1.9101	0.0950	-0.00027	3
<i>Eucalyptus dives</i>	BIEvTmp	-1.3507	0.0633	0.00006	-1.4187	0.0608	0.00029	3
<i>Eucalyptus macrorhyncha</i>	BIEvTmp	-1.3916	0.0774	0.00000	-1.3884	0.0780	-0.00004	4
<i>Eucalyptus mannifera</i>	BIEvTmp	-0.8306	0.0461	0.00035	-0.6669	0.0265	0.00084	3
<i>Eucalyptus melliodora</i>	BIEvTmp	-1.5343	0.0771	-0.00003	-1.7622	0.0935	-0.00030	3
<i>Eucalyptus pauciflora</i>	BIEvTmp	-1.7555	0.1119	-0.00080	-1.6504	0.1016	-0.00060	3
<i>Eucalyptus polyanthemos</i>	BIEvTmp	-1.5995	0.0786	-0.00005	-1.3688	0.0537	0.00054	4
<i>Eucalyptus rossii</i>	BIEvTmp	-1.4454	0.0674	-0.00004	-1.5388	0.0768	-0.00024	3
<i>Eucalyptus rubida</i>	BIEvTmp	-1.7403	0.0970	-0.00040	-1.7759	0.0988	-0.00041	4
ANU campus, ACT, AUS					10-30 °C			
<i>Populus nigra 'Italica'</i>	BIDcTmp	-3.7575	0.1681	-0.00144	-4.0238	0.1881	-0.00179	* 4
<i>Populus deltoides</i>	BIDcTmp	-3.8372	0.1725	-0.00150	-3.3009	0.1428	-0.00089	3
<i>Salix sepulcralis 'Chrysocoma'</i>	BIDcTmp	-3.2111	0.1569	-0.00164	-3.4437	0.1778	-0.00207	* 4
<i>Ginkgo biloba</i>	BIDcTmp	-3.7472	0.1415	-0.00128	-2.3382	0.0547	0.00008	5
Calperum, SA, AUS					15-35 °C			
<i>Acacia stenophylla</i>	BIEvTmp	-1.5959	0.0657	0.00013	-0.3923	-0.0057	0.00134	* 3
<i>Alectryon oleifolius</i>	SEv	-1.3331	0.0346	0.00092	0.0955	-0.0618	0.00252	* 1
<i>Beyeria opaca</i>	SEv	-3.8414	0.1885	-0.00157	-5.7543	0.2951	-0.00302	* 1
<i>Callitris gracilis</i>	NIEv	-4.5012	0.1851	-0.00111	1.9808	-0.2471	0.00593	* 2
<i>Dansea brevifolia</i>	SEv	2.0405	-0.0886	0.00207	-3.1869	0.2721	-0.00399	2

<i>Dodonaea bursariifolia</i>	SEv	-1.4323	0.0861	-0.00052	-1.4469	0.0780	-0.00033	*	2
<i>Eremophila glabra</i>	SEv	-3.8281	0.2193	-0.00229	-4.1886	0.2446	-0.00272	*	2
<i>Eucalyptus dumosa</i>	SEv	-0.0393	0.0053	0.00113	0.6025	-0.0407	0.00183	*	3
<i>Eucalyptus largiflorens</i>	BIEvTmp	-1.5431	0.0784	0.00015	-0.7785	0.0240	0.00109	*	2
<i>Eucalyptus socialis</i>	BIEvTmp	-0.6571	0.0352	0.00067	0.4020	-0.0419	0.00201	*	2
<i>Grevillea huegelii</i>	SEv	4.0336	-0.2819	0.00537	8.0851	-0.5664	0.01019	*	1
<i>Myoporum platycarpum</i>	BIEvTmp	-0.9328	0.0454	0.00037	0.1810	-0.0352	0.00177	*	2
<i>Senna artemisioides ssp. coriacea</i>	SEv	-0.8773	0.0699	-0.00027	-1.5828	0.1102	-0.00083	*	2
<i>Senna artemisioides ssp. filifolia</i>	SEv	-2.4214	0.1386	-0.00108	-2.5438	0.1479	-0.00125	*	3
<i>Templetonia egena</i>	SEv	-0.9752	0.0752	-0.00015	0.0208	-0.0022	0.00108	*	4
<i>Westringia rigida</i>	SEv	-2.7335	0.1728	-0.00166	-2.6884	0.1698	-0.00161	*	1
College Station, TX, USA					20-40 °C				
<i>Juniperus virginiana</i>	NIEv	-1.9976	0.1079	-0.00056	-2.9153	0.1726	-0.00165		4
<i>Quercus stellata</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.5524	0.1216	-0.00081	-2.6530	0.1313	-0.00097		4
Great Western Woodlands, WA, AUS					15-35 °C				
<i>Acacia aneura</i>	BIEvTmp	-7.8968	0.4074	-0.00452	-5.9628	0.2817	-0.00252	*	1
<i>Acacia burkittii</i>	BIEvTmp	3.2687	-0.2151	0.00417	6.8609	-0.4699	0.00854	*	1
<i>Acacia hemiteles</i>	SEv	-2.4129	0.0889	-0.00014	-5.1902	0.2396	-0.00209	*	3
<i>Atriplex nummularia</i>	SEv	2.6815	-0.2050	0.00378	2.6815	-0.2050	0.00378	*	1
<i>Maierana triptera</i>	SEv	-2.7814	0.1754	-0.00167	-3.8846	0.2428	-0.00274	*	3
<i>Sclerolaena dicantha</i>	SEv	-2.7089	0.1626	-0.00152	-2.3048	0.1409	-0.00118	*	3
<i>Eremophila scoparia</i>	SEv	-3.1067	0.2109	-0.00195	-6.6149	0.4404	-0.00548	*	3
<i>Eucalyptus clenandii</i>	BIEvTmp	-1.3554	0.0776	-0.00003	0.2226	-0.0327	0.00187	*	4
<i>Eucalyptus salmonophloia</i>	BIEvTmp	-2.9011	0.1309	-0.00052	-0.9144	0.0136	0.00132	*	4
<i>Eucalyptus salubris</i>	BIEvTmp	-2.0790	0.1277	-0.00082	-1.0805	0.0628	0.00034	*	3
<i>Eucalyptus transcontinentalis</i>	BIEvTmp	-2.3496	0.1363	-0.00097	-1.5361	0.0942	-0.00042	*	4
<i>Exocarpos cupressiformis</i>	NIEv	-1.9208	0.1132	-0.00062	-2.4648	0.1434	-0.00103	*	2
<i>Maierana sedifolia</i>	SEv	-1.5858	0.0880	-0.00060	3.7553	-0.2852	0.00542	*	1
<i>Olearia muelleri</i>	SEv	-5.3555	0.2967	-0.00321	-5.6231	0.3123	-0.00343	*	2
<i>Ptilotus holosericeus</i>	C3H	-1.4769	0.0806	-0.00037	-1.7953	0.1053	-0.00076	*	4
<i>Ptilotus obovatus</i>	C3H	-2.9326	0.1539	-0.00139	-2.0925	0.0900	-0.00020	*	2

Jurien Bay, WA, AUS					15-35 °C			
<i>Acacia rostellifera</i>	BIDcTmp	-2.0475	0.0952	-0.00045	-2.1130	0.1104	-0.00082	2
<i>Anthocercis littorea</i>	SEv	-1.6183	0.0986	-0.00067	-1.1732	0.0703	-0.00009	4
<i>Dioscorea hastifolia</i>	C3H	-2.4703	0.1248	-0.00102	-2.3928	0.1793	-0.00219	4
<i>Myoporum insulare</i>	BIEvTmp	-3.2569	0.1172	-0.00069	-2.0696	0.0113	0.00156	2
<i>Spyridium globulosum</i>	SEv	-1.7873	0.0900	-0.00035	-1.5239	0.0680	0.00025	4
<i>Acacia rostellifera</i>	BIDcTmp	-0.6050	0.0331	0.00037	-0.4352	0.0396	0.00024	4
<i>Clematis linearifolia</i>	C3H	-2.1399	0.1282	-0.00080	-1.8666	0.0927	0.00013	4
<i>Opercularia spermacoea</i>	SEv	-2.4639	0.1590	-0.00167	-3.4845	0.2636	-0.00415	4
<i>Santalum acuminatum</i>	BIEvTmp	-2.1142	0.1526	-0.00163	-1.8508	0.1254	-0.00091	4
<i>Spyridium globulosum</i>	SEv	-2.1691	0.0887	-0.00032	-2.1653	0.0803	-0.00004	4
<i>Acacia rostellifera</i>	BIDcTmp	-1.8918	0.1281	-0.00083	-1.2930	0.0929	-0.00016	4
<i>Anthocercis littorea</i>	SEv	-1.4190	0.1083	-0.00082	-1.3432	0.1028	-0.00073	4
<i>Banksia prionotes</i>	SEv	-1.7328	0.0882	-0.00031	-1.8970	0.0870	-0.00032	4
<i>Hakea incrassate</i>	SEv	-1.0918	0.0707	-0.00024	-1.2395	0.0826	-0.00047	* 4
<i>Scaevola sp.</i>	SEv	-1.3400	0.1119	-0.00091	-1.7276	0.1432	-0.00150	4
Alice Mulga, NT, AUS					20-40 °C			
<i>Eucalypt sp.</i>	BIEvTmp	0.5506	-0.1524	0.00456	-0.9651	-0.0407	0.00257	1
<i>Eucalyptus camaldulensis</i>	BIEvTmp	-1.1776	0.1110	-0.00049	-1.1776	0.1110	-0.00049	* 3
<i>Hakea leucoptera</i>	SEv	-6.4097	0.3207	-0.00297	-2.7197	0.1441	-0.00080	* 2
<i>Psyrax latifolia</i>	BIEvTmp	-2.9595	0.2178	-0.00183	-1.7974	0.1599	-0.00117	* 2
Temperate Rainforest								
Warra, TAS, AUS					10-30 °C			
<i>Eucalyptus obliqua</i>	BIEvTmp	-1.8544	0.1109	-0.00057	-1.2336	0.0688	0.00038	4
<i>Acacia melanoxylon</i>	BIEvTmp	-1.9413	0.0399	0.00098	-0.8100	-0.0652	0.00320	3
<i>Nothofagus cunninghamii</i>	BIEvTmp	-2.2781	0.0937	-0.00035	-1.3911	0.0329	0.00084	4
<i>Atherosperma moschatum</i>	BIEvTmp	-2.4191	0.0877	-0.00036	-3.4980	0.1891	-0.00265	4
<i>Pomaderris apetala</i>	SEv	-2.4299	0.0801	-0.00009	-2.3017	0.1671	-0.00284	4
<i>Acacia dealbata</i>	BIEvTmp	-1.7258	0.1048	-0.00057	-2.2557	0.1283	-0.00114	3
<i>Leptospermum lanigerum</i>	BIEvTmp	-2.3674	0.1264	-0.00100	-2.4011	0.1250	-0.00094	4
<i>Notelaea ligustrina</i>	BIEvTmp	-2.0825	0.1415	-0.00125	-2.1592	0.1080	-0.00037	4

<i>Tasmannia lanceolata</i>	SEv	-1.9115	0.0820	-0.00021	-1.8607	0.0779	-0.00014	4
<i>Melaleuca squarrosa</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.6897	0.0762	-0.00025	-1.6509	0.0726	-0.00018	4
<i>Eucryphia lucida</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.9189	0.1033	-0.00042	-2.6216	0.0844	-0.00006	4
<i>Phyllocladus aspleniifolius</i>	SEv	-1.4296	0.0542	-0.00004	-2.3743	0.1331	-0.00158	3
Tropical Rainforest (high altitude)								
Wayquecha, Peru					10-30 °C			
<i>Bejaria aestuans</i>	BIEvTrp	0.5570	0.0543	-0.00070	-0.1414	0.1210	-0.00205	1
<i>Weinmannia crassifolia</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.1059	0.0991	-0.00040	-1.0773	0.0131	0.00130	* 1
<i>Escallonia paniculata</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.8666	0.1292	-0.00123	-2.0641	0.1431	-0.00148	* 1
<i>Myrsine coriacea</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.0376	0.1250	-0.00090	-1.8753	0.1106	-0.00060	* 1
<i>Clethra cuneata</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.6686	0.1269	-0.00067	-2.4671	0.1099	-0.00034	* 2
<i>Miconia aristata</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.2892	0.1433	-0.00115	-1.9709	0.1230	-0.00084	* 1
<i>Cinchona macrocalyx</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.3650	0.1252	-0.00078	-2.3347	0.1225	-0.00073	1
<i>Styrax camporum</i>	BIEvTrp	-4.4804	0.1631	-0.00131	-4.5086	0.1658	-0.00137	* 1
<i>Cinnamomum floccosum</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.1917	0.1531	-0.00124	-1.5127	0.0892	0.00014	* 1
<i>Axinaea sp</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.2143	0.1362	-0.00102	-2.8795	0.2082	-0.00280	1
<i>Clusia flaviflora</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.8115	0.0953	-0.00011	-2.0457	0.1151	-0.00050	* 1
<i>Clusia alata</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.3958	0.0329	0.00102	-1.3958	0.0329	0.00102	* 1
<i>Persea buchtienii</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.2601	0.1430	-0.00105	-2.0153	0.1206	-0.00058	* 1
<i>Ocotea spp.</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.6109	0.1536	-0.00122	-2.2858	0.1256	-0.00067	* 1
<i>Podocarpus oleifolius</i>	BIEvTrp	-0.4915	0.0412	0.00028	-0.0561	0.0054	0.00096	* 1
<i>Hedyosmum maximum</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.0450	0.1248	-0.00090	-1.8668	0.1059	-0.00043	1
Tropical Rainforest (low altitude)								
San Isidro, Costa Rica					15-35 °C			
<i>Koanophyllon hylonomum</i>	BIEvTrp	-4.4967	0.2029	-0.00231	-5.1167	0.2507	-0.00318	3
<i>Pousandra trianae</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.9626	0.1184	-0.00064	-2.5770	0.0130	0.00128	3
<i>Rinorea hummelii</i>	SEv	-3.8955	0.0779	0.00005	-3.2626	0.0344	0.00074	5
<i>Carapa guianensis</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.7577	0.1149	-0.00084	-2.5982	0.1056	-0.00073	2
<i>Anaxagorea crasipetala</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.9297	0.1134	-0.00044	-4.0310	0.1166	-0.00042	3
Atherton, QLD, AUS					15-35 °C			
<i>Cardwellia sublimis</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.7427	0.1021	-0.00030	-2.4395	0.0735	0.00032	3

<i>Cryptocarya mackinnoniana</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.3421	0.0119	0.00105	-0.9970	-0.0129	0.00165	4
<i>Ficus leptoclada</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.2058	0.1237	-0.00091	-2.1171	0.1130	-0.00065	3
<i>Litsea leefeana</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.1555	0.0678	0.00008	-2.0273	0.0523	0.00046	4
<i>Myristica globosa</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.2019	0.0611	0.00028	-2.1753	0.0614	0.00024	3
<i>Polyscia elegans</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.8780	0.1276	-0.00087	-2.8556	0.1217	-0.00069	4
<i>Alphitonia whitei</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.2374	0.0791	-0.00004	-1.7981	0.0415	0.00072	4
<i>Prunus Turneriana</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.9065	0.0945	-0.00035	-2.6470	0.0672	0.00027	4
<i>Daphnandra repandula</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.7954	0.1047	-0.00061	-2.8072	0.1045	-0.00058	5
<i>Syzygium johnsonii</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.4436	0.0639	0.00006	-2.5360	0.0737	-0.00017	4
<i>Alstonia muelleriana</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.5932	0.0722	0.00006	-1.8779	0.0920	-0.00027	4
<i>Argyrodendron trifoliolatum</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.0064	0.0624	0.00055	-2.9480	0.0670	0.00062	3
<i>Ceratopetalum succirubrum</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.0005	0.0783	0.00008	-3.1542	0.0885	-0.00008	4
<i>Doryphora aromatica</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.4071	0.0621	0.00011	-2.4481	0.0694	-0.00010	3
<i>Flindersia sp.</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.5958	0.1269	-0.00089	-2.6457	0.1280	-0.00086	4
<i>Gillbeea adenopetala</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.5083	0.1101	-0.00065	-2.2505	0.0985	-0.00059	2
Cape Tribulation, FNQ, AUS					20-40 °C			
<i>Acmena graveolens</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.4074	0.1020	-0.00063	-2.4042	0.0953	-0.00042	2
<i>Argyrodendron peralatum</i>	BIEvTrp	-0.8910	-0.0050	0.00088	-1.1259	0.0079	0.00072	3
<i>Cardwellia sublimis</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.7838	0.0581	-0.00005	-0.7921	-0.0084	0.00102	3
<i>Castanospermum australe</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.1452	-0.0103	0.00117	-1.0438	-0.0034	0.00117	4
<i>Cryptocarya mackinnoniana</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.8409	0.0345	0.00036	-10.8186	0.4955	-0.00551	2
<i>Dysoxylum papuanum</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.7655	0.1335	-0.00106	-4.2070	0.2255	-0.00249	4
<i>Elaeocarpus grandis</i>	BIEvTrp	-0.7934	-0.0105	0.00101	-1.0415	0.0001	0.00093	4
<i>Endiandra leptodendron</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.6457	0.0397	0.00028	-1.4596	0.0245	0.00057	2
<i>Gillbeea whypallana</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.4369	0.0332	0.00035	-1.7981	0.0565	0.00000	4
<i>Myristica globosa ssp. Muelleri</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.5947	0.0275	0.00050	-1.6623	0.0267	0.00059	2
<i>Rockinghamia angustifolia</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.8098	0.0395	0.00018	-2.5668	0.0898	-0.00063	4
<i>Syzygium sayeri</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.1741	0.0178	0.00060	-0.7592	-0.0135	0.00116	3
Paracou, French Guiana					15-35 °C			
<i>Carapa procera</i>	BIDcTrp	-2.2663	0.1044	-0.00028	-2.5263	0.1200	-0.00049	4
<i>Eperua falcata</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.2418	0.0919	-0.00056	-2.8552	0.1483	-0.00175	4

<i>Eschweilera coriacea</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.1514	0.1587	-0.00124	-3.0363	0.1514	-0.00113	4
<i>Eschweilera parviflora</i>	BIEvTrp	-0.5766	0.0807	-0.00057	1.9239	-0.1705	0.00378	3
<i>Iryanthera hostmannii</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.1419	0.0891	-0.00042	-0.8226	0.0643	0.00003	1
<i>Lecythis persistens</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.2777	0.1455	-0.00123	-2.8076	0.1030	-0.00034	3
<i>Licania alba</i>	BIEvTrp	-0.9058	0.0153	0.00056	-0.5316	-0.0091	0.00094	2
<i>Oxandra asbeckii</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.7297	-0.0122	0.00141	-1.9276	-0.0522	0.00261	2
<i>Protium opacum</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.2236	0.1447	-0.00134	-3.5757	0.1776	-0.00205	2
<i>Recordoxylon speciosum</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.9505	0.1592	-0.00142	-3.9133	0.1517	-0.00120	3
<i>Sterculia pruriens</i>	BIDcTrp	-3.9517	0.1310	-0.00092	-4.8895	0.2560	-0.00486	2
<i>Symphonia globulifera</i>	BIEvTrp	-4.2184	0.1706	-0.00136	-2.0512	0.0559	0.00034	2
<i>Tabebuia insignis</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.8068	0.1479	-0.00130	-3.3238	0.1856	-0.00195	2
<i>Theobroma subincanum</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.1584	0.1239	-0.00084	-2.7808	0.0896	-0.00013	3
<i>Vismia sessilifolia</i>	BIEvTrp	-4.0248	0.1664	-0.00132	-3.3804	0.1656	-0.00159	4
<i>Bocoa prouacensis</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.9077	0.1868	-0.00164	-2.8754	0.1430	-0.00101	4
<i>Carapa procera</i>	BIDcTrp	-2.9805	0.1209	-0.00063	-3.1880	0.1420	-0.00112	3
<i>Eperua falcata</i>	BIDcTrp	-1.7093	0.0936	-0.00049	-1.9368	0.0922	-0.00011	3
<i>Eschweilera coriacea</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.5358	0.0980	-0.00054	-2.9738	0.1400	-0.00147	3
<i>Eschweilera sagotiana</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.6420	0.0894	-0.00053	-4.6014	0.2645	-0.00419	2
<i>Gustavia hexapetala</i>	BIEvTrp	-4.5294	0.2193	-0.00255	-5.4723	0.3086	-0.00449	1
<i>Iryanthera hostmannii</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.8678	0.0895	-0.00028	-2.6035	0.0630	0.00031	1
<i>Iryanthera sagotiana</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.8810	0.1499	-0.00116	-4.0750	0.1718	-0.00169	2
<i>Lecythis persistens</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.2498	0.1223	-0.00074	-3.6328	0.1461	-0.00110	4
<i>Licania alba</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.8305	0.1124	-0.00070	-3.0112	0.1108	-0.00046	2
<i>Licania heteromorpha</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.8893	0.1162	-0.00096	-2.9081	0.1064	-0.00084	3
<i>Licania membranacea</i>	BIEvTrp	-4.8136	0.1859	-0.00157	-4.8841	0.1901	-0.00163	1
<i>Ormosia coutinhoi</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.2368	0.1420	-0.00109	-3.3433	0.1750	-0.00160	2
<i>Oxandra asbeckii</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.3506	0.1440	-0.00134	-3.7607	0.1811	-0.00212	1
<i>Protium opacum</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.2236	0.1447	-0.00134	-3.5757	0.1776	-0.00205	2
<i>Theobroma subincacum</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.5852	0.1530	-0.00156	-3.8224	0.1728	-0.00195	3
<i>Vouacapoua americana</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.3438	-0.0705	0.00287	2.3581	-0.3872	0.00921	1

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<i>Pourouma indet</i>	BIEvTrp	-4.2885	0.1036	-0.00054	-3.9050	0.0701	0.00014	1
<i>Luehea indet</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.2342	0.0725	0.00021	-1.4819	0.0066	0.00153	1
<i>Hevea pauciflora</i>	BIEvTrp	-4.1570	0.0984	-0.00037	-2.9795	0.0083	0.00129	1
<i>Swartzia polyphylla</i>	BIEvTrp	-4.4804	0.1631	-0.00131	-4.5086	0.1658	-0.00137	1
<i>Neea divaricata</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.7812	0.0749	-0.00010	-0.7534	-0.0179	0.00184	1
<i>Richeria grandis</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.5559	0.1126	-0.00095	-2.5593	0.1107	-0.00088	1
<i>Hymenaea courbaril</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.1474	0.1082	-0.00033	-2.8511	0.0840	0.00013	1
<i>Dipteryx micrantha</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.4854	0.0666	-0.00014	-1.2551	0.0434	0.00037	1
<i>Pouteria subrotata</i>	BIEvTrp	-4.8248	0.1329	-0.00085	-4.2634	0.0988	-0.00035	* 1
<i>Licania arachnoidea</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.2732	0.1239	-0.00060	-2.4037	0.0519	0.00081	1
<i>Guatteria schomburgkiana</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.2384	0.1840	-0.00183	-3.2228	0.1820	-0.00177	1
<i>Minquartia guianensis</i>	BIEvTrp	-1.4949	0.0511	0.00041	-0.8485	-0.0069	0.00161	1
<i>Licaria canella</i>	BIEvTrp	-2.0179	0.0877	-0.00030	-1.2761	0.0256	0.00093	1
<i>Hevea guianensis</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.2384	0.1840	-0.00183	-3.2228	0.1820	-0.00177	1
<i>Cathedra acuminata</i>	BIEvTrp	-5.5706	0.1268	-0.00097	-7.1624	0.2568	-0.00357	1
<i>Taralea oppositifolia</i>	BIEvTrp	-3.3512	0.1422	-0.00084	-3.2085	0.1317	-0.00067	1