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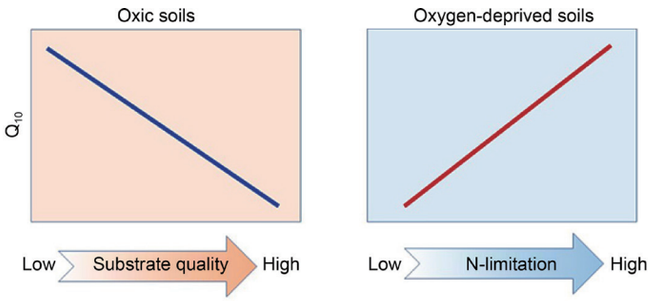

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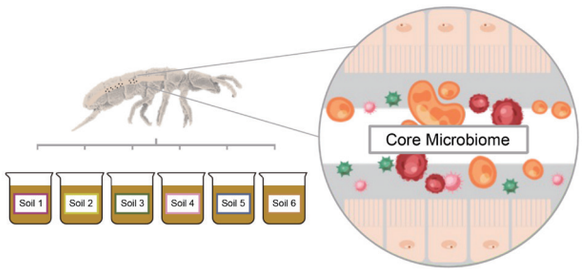

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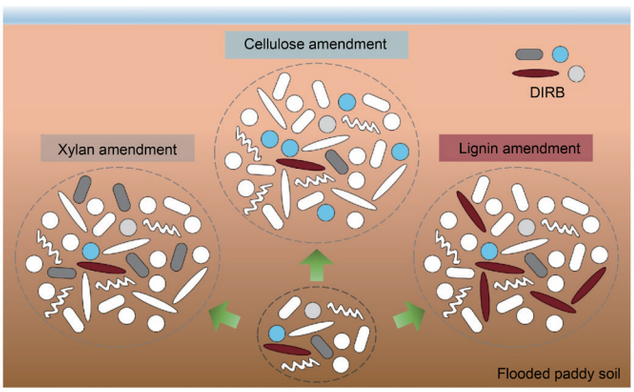

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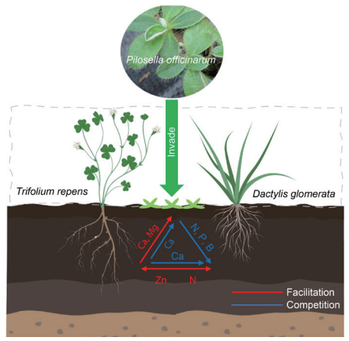

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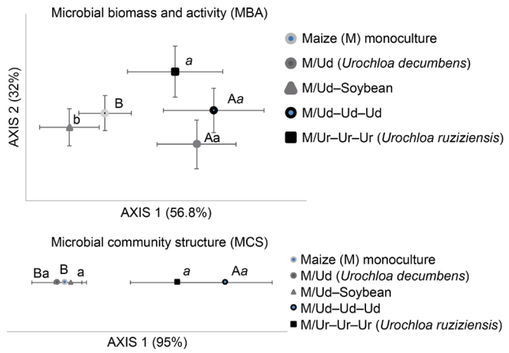

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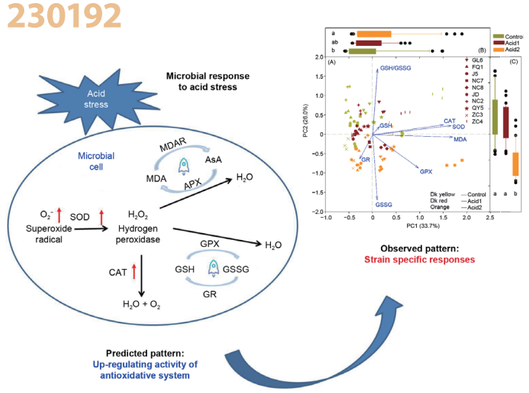

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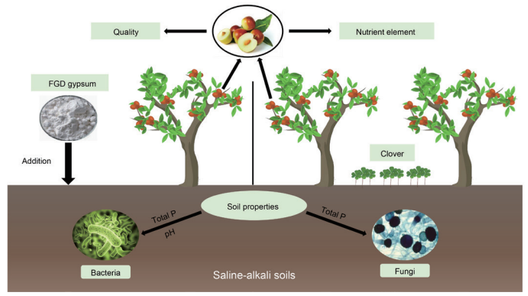

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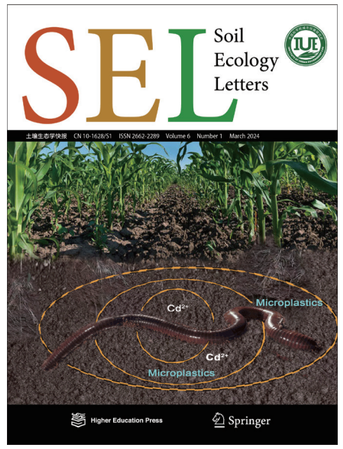

COVER

Microplastic (MP) pollution has become an issue of global concern. Earthworm *Eisenia fetida* is the standard organism used in soil ecotoxicological tests. However, effects of MPs on earthworms remain controversial. In this study, the effects of LDPE MPs and Cd on earthworm were investigated. Zhang et al. (Article number: 230184) shows LDPE had no effect on the mortality, growth, and reproduction of earthworm. Low-density polyethylene microplastics partially alleviate the ecotoxicological effects induced by cadmium exposure on the earthworm. The results of this study are critical to assessing the synergistic impacts of pollution with MPs and heavy metals on soil fauna.

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