Mycorrhizae, invasions, and the dynamics of mutualism disruptions

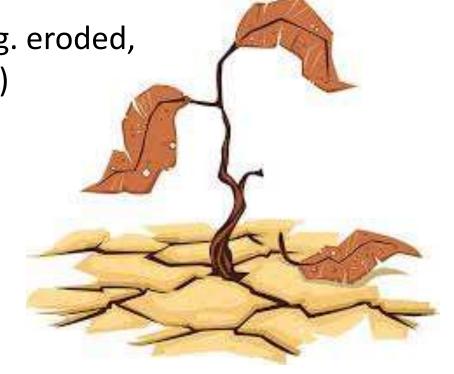
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Ecosystems frequently fail to recover following invasive species removal

Propagule limitation of natives

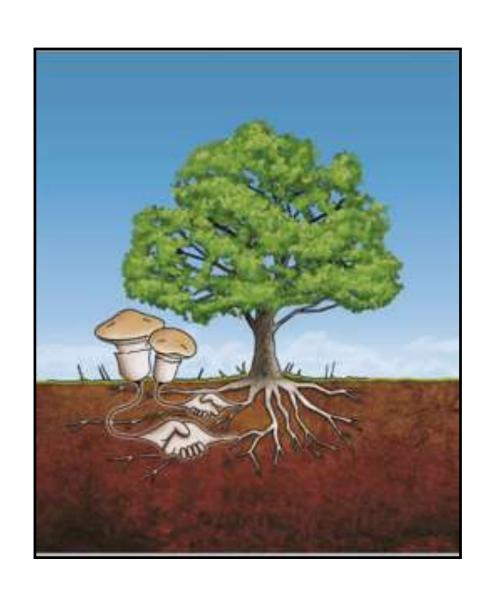
 Persistence of disturbance (e.g. eroded, compacted, open canopy, etc.)

- Legacy effects of invaders
 - Species loss
 - Nutrient availability
 - Microbial communities

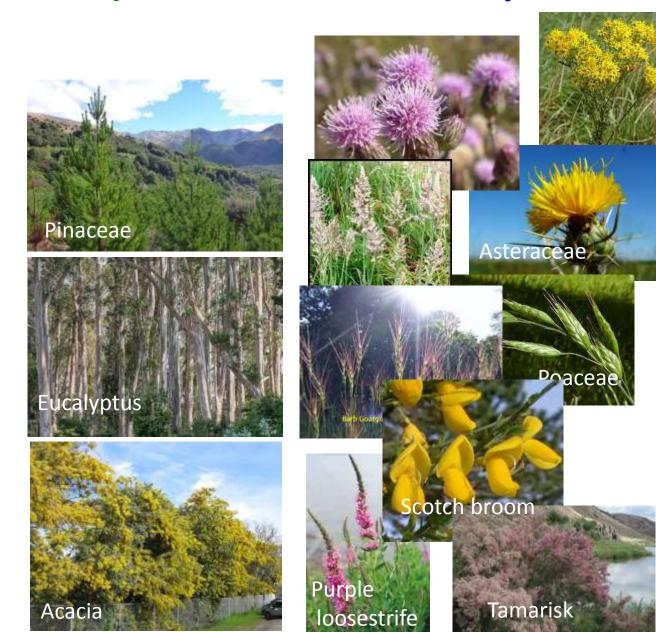


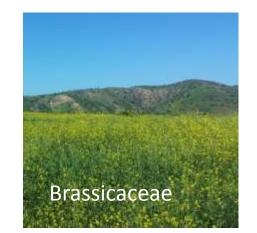
Mycorrhizal mutualism

- Increase soil surface area contact
- Increase access to nutrients and water
- Pathogen protection
- Increase drought tolerance
- Plants provide C (sugar/food) to fungi



Ectomycorrhizal Arbuscular Mycorrhizal Non-Mycorrhizal

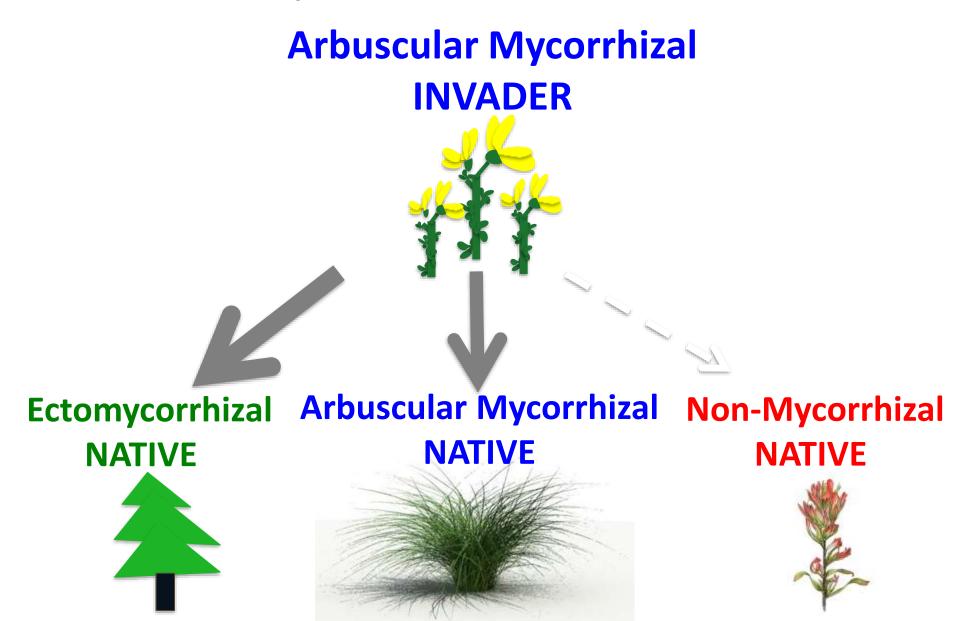




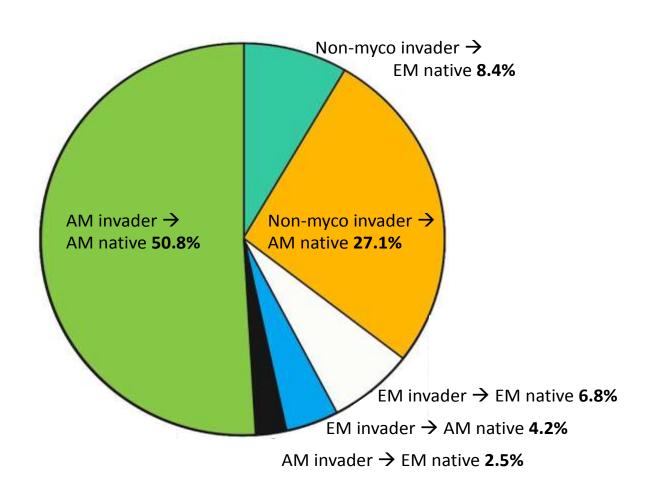




Does mycorrhizal status matter?



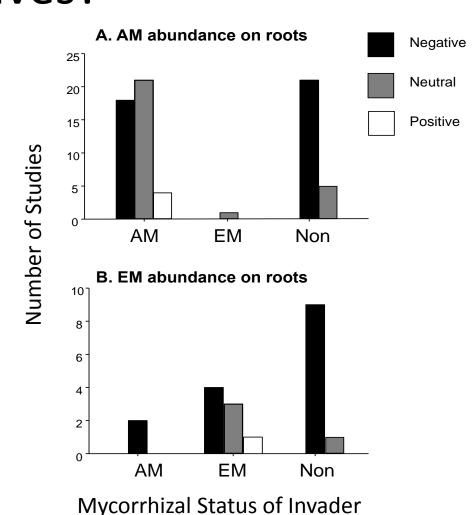
A systematic review of invader impacts on mycorrhizal mutualisms



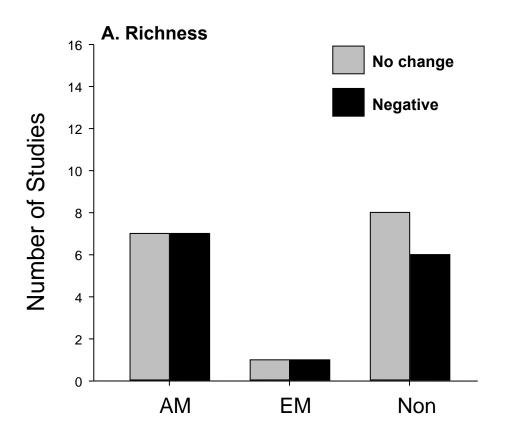
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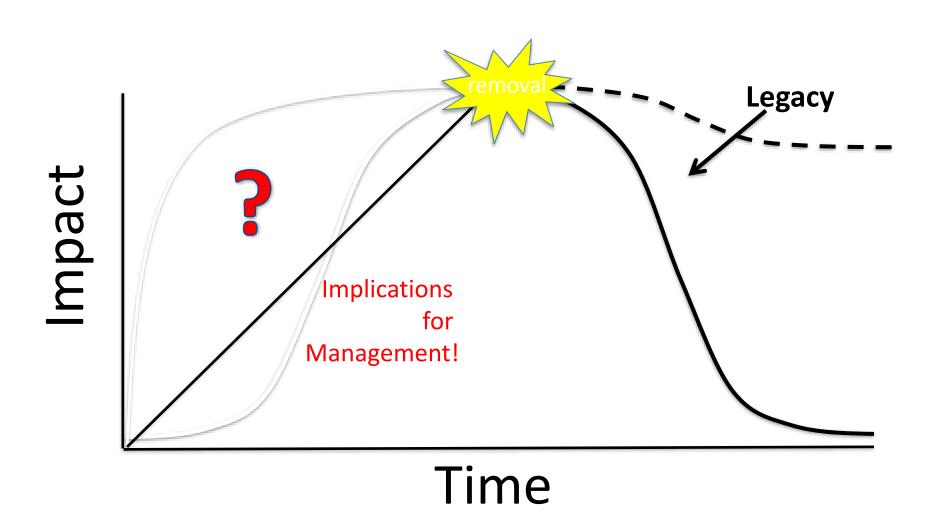


Can impacts on native mycorrhizal communities be predicted by the mycorrhizal status of invaders?

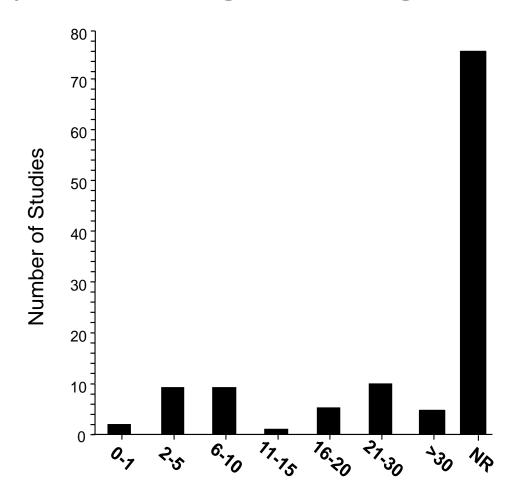


Mycorrhizal Status of Invader

What are the temporal dynamics of invader impacts mycorrhizal mutualism disruption?

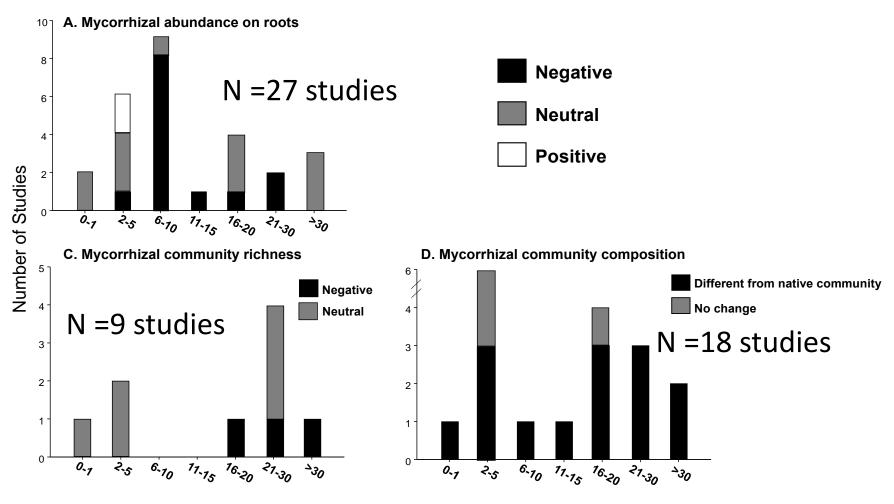


How does mycorrhizal mutualism disruption change with age of invasion?



Age of Invasion (Years)

Can we identify any temporal patterns? with the small subset of studies that included the age of invasion



Age of Invasion (Years)

What did we accomplish with this review?

Does mycorrhizal status of invader influence impact? Yes. Sometimes.

- Non-mycorrhizal invaders have negative effects on native mycorrhizas
- > AM invaders only have negative impacts on AM natives half of the time
 - Degree of dependence on mycorrhizal fungi by invaders and natives?
- Community composition of the fungi is almost always changed by invasions

How do invasion impacts change over time? Data are too limited.

Gaps:

- How do changes in fungal community composition affect plant performance?
- How does age of invasion influence the impacts?
- What factors influence the persistence of these impacts?
 - Propagule (spore) longevity & dispersal limitation

Acknowledgements







Legacy effects following invasive species removal

Legacy Effects:

- Positive feedbacks that reinforce invasion
- Useful for prioritizing management
- Do not have a sense of how common they are
- Or how long they last following invader removal

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