

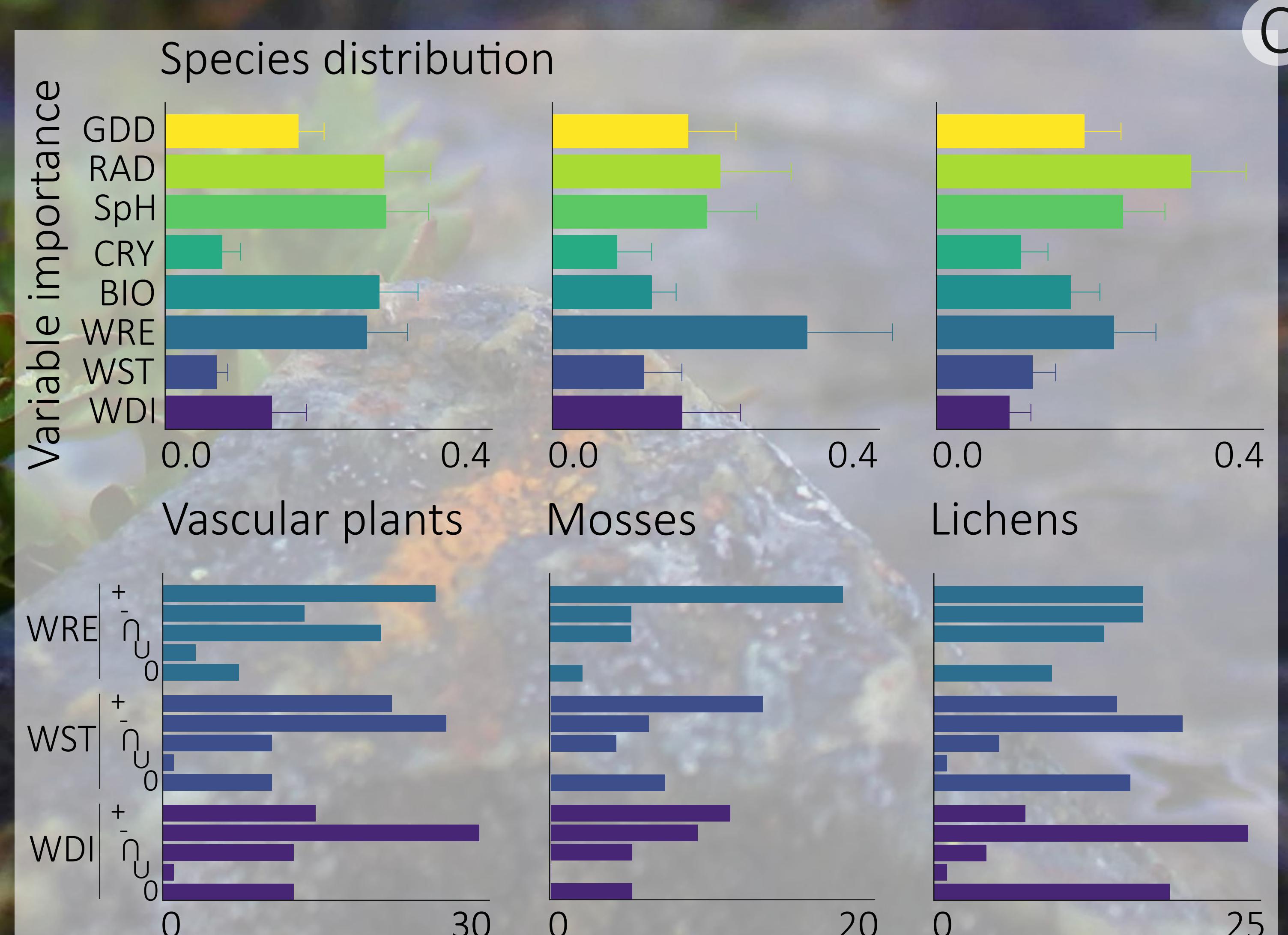
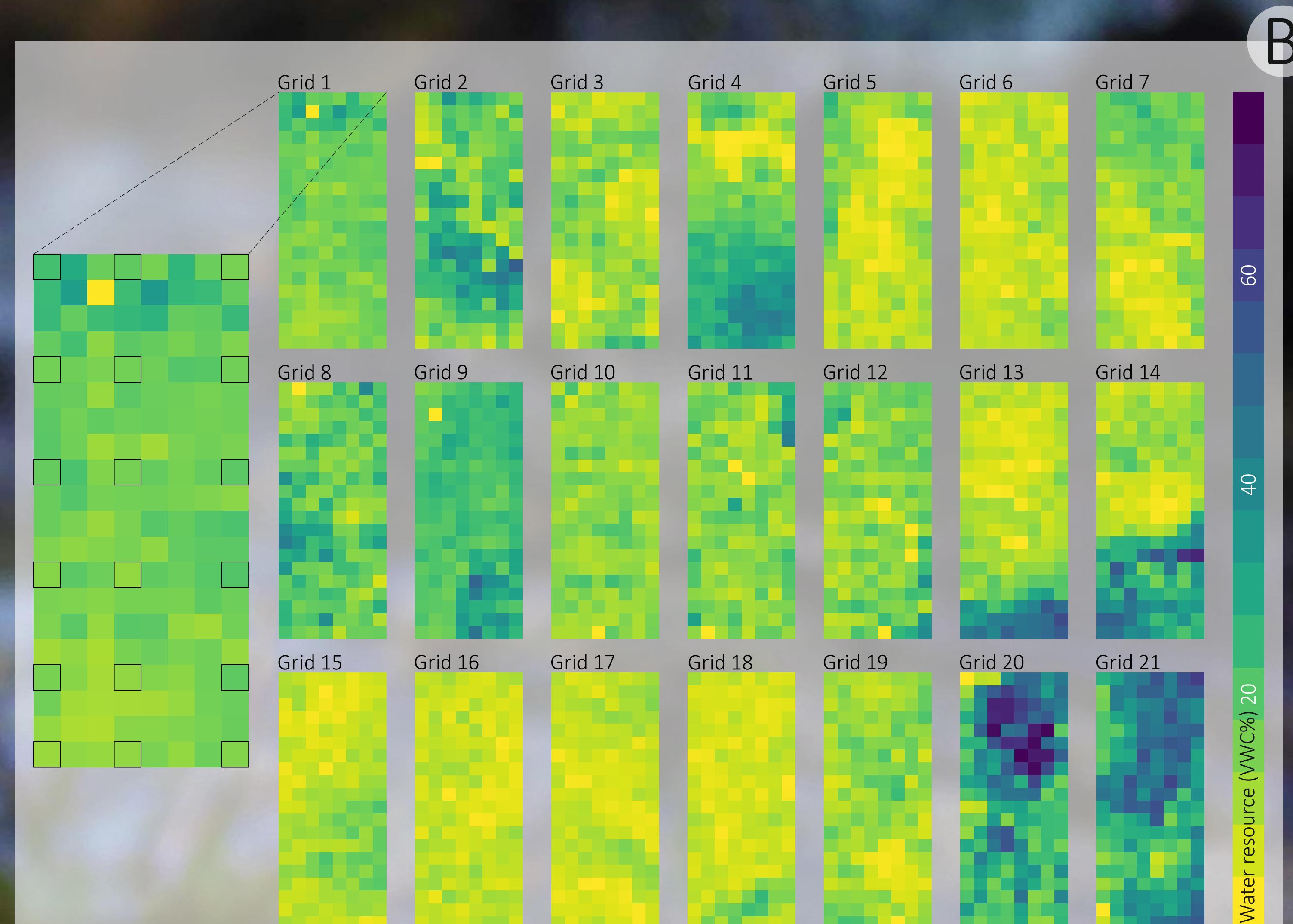
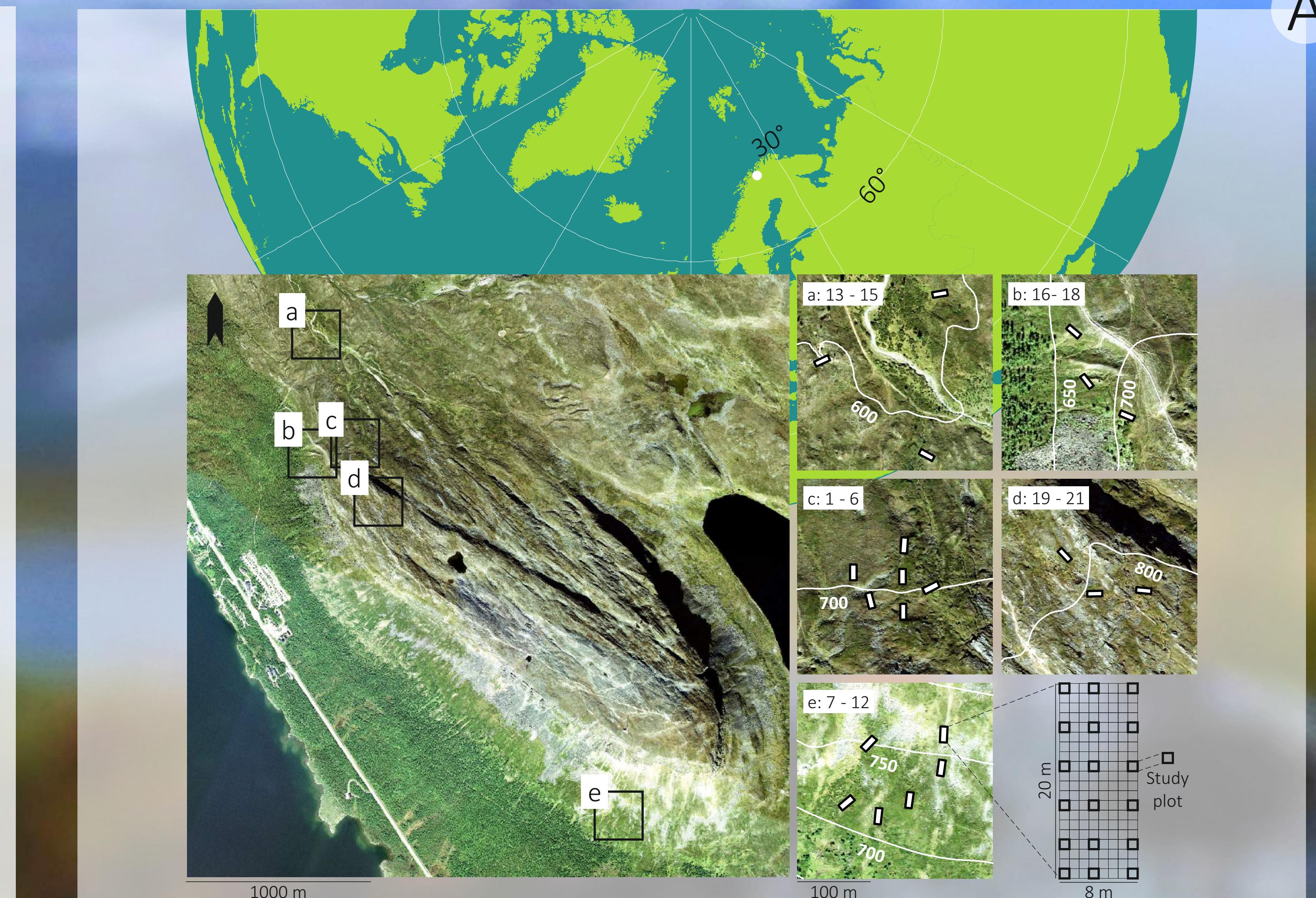
# Water as a resource, stress and disturbance shaping tundra vegetation

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We investigated the significance of different water aspects for Fennoscandian tundra vegetation patterns<sub>A</sub> using solely in situ measurements<sub>B</sub>.

Water as a resource exceeded the importance of temperature for fine-scale species distribution of three taxonomical groups<sub>C</sub>. We found different responses between and also within the groups.

While controlling all other important environmental variables<sub>D</sub>, we demonstrated that water is a significant multifaceted driver of tundra vegetation patterns.



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