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Crop yield components – photoassimilate supply- or utilisation limited-organ development?

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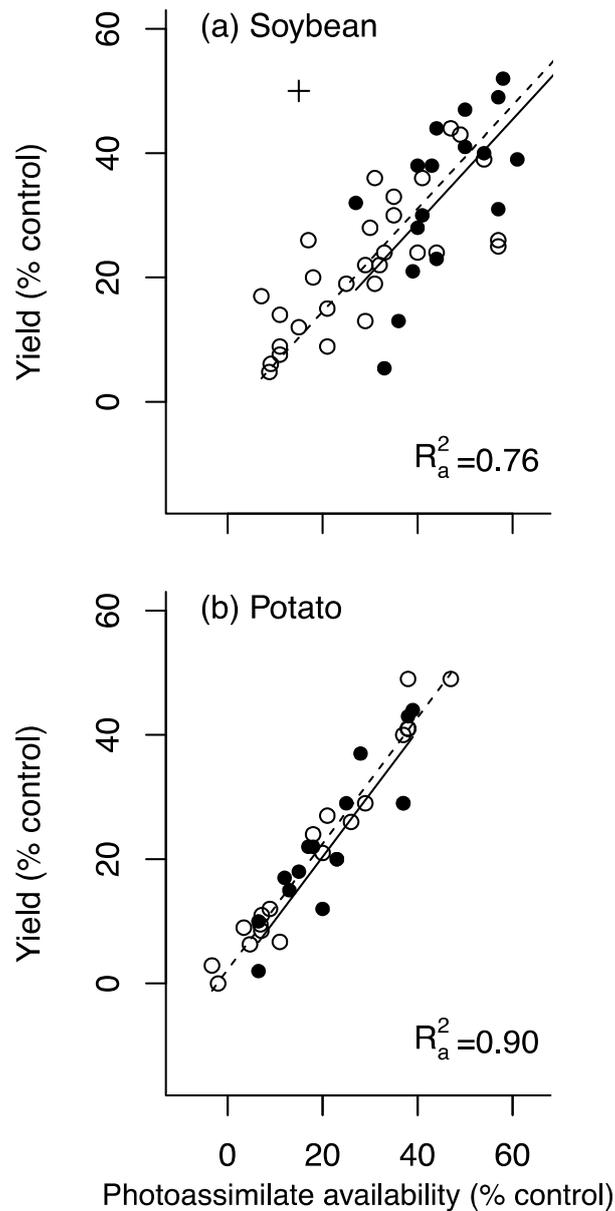


Fig. S1

Fig. S1. Comparison of yield responses of (a) soybean and (b) potato to eCO₂ between singly potted and spaced plants (solid circles; solid line) with those arranged in mini-crop configurations or raised under field conditions (open circles; dashed line). The fitted relationships were obtained by generalized additive mixed modelling. After adjusting for the effect of photoassimilate availability, there was no significant difference between the mean yields for these two arrangements for plant growth ($P = 0.67$ and $P = 0.32$ for soybean and potato, respectively).

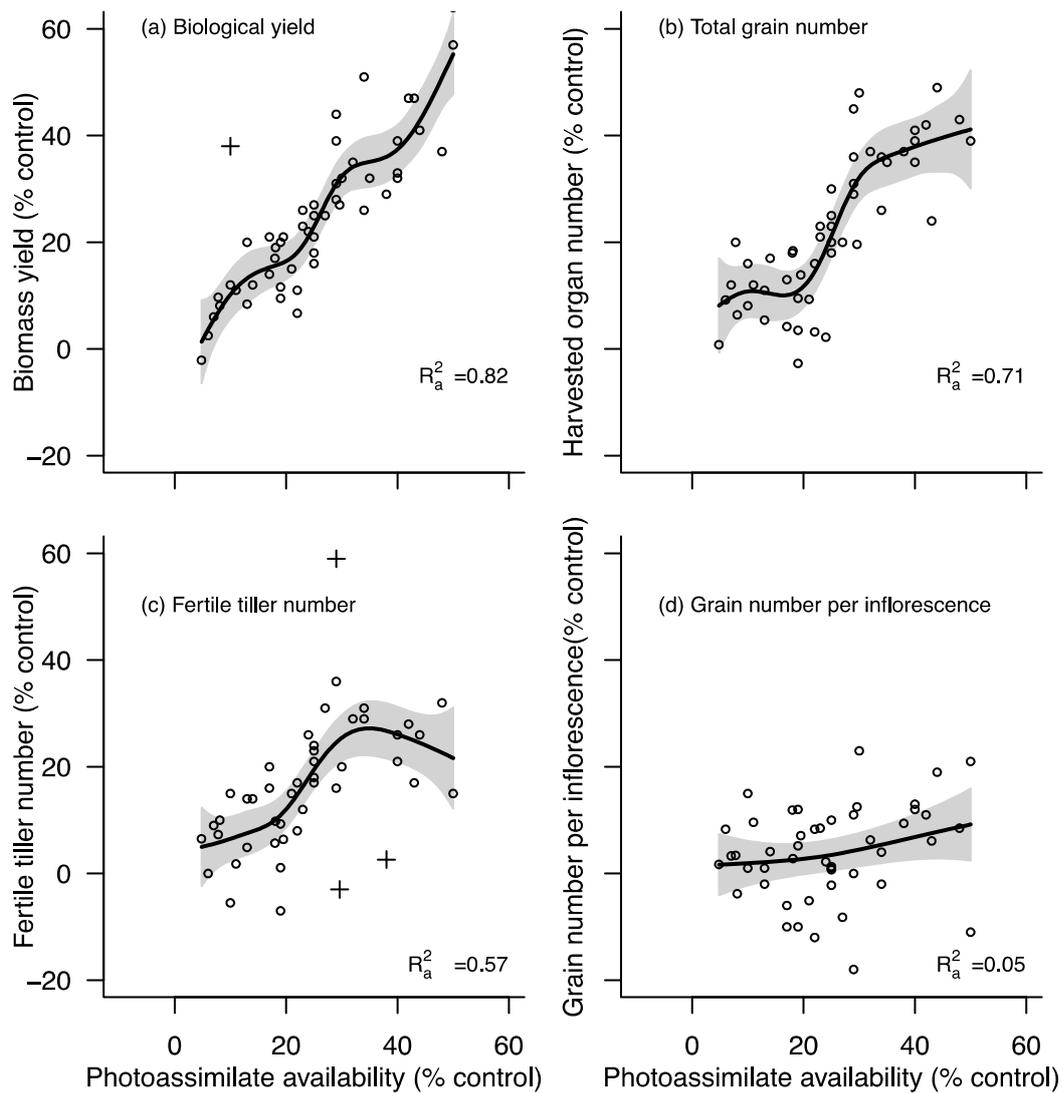


Fig. S2

Fig. S2. Responses of yield components of wheat to eCO₂-driven increases photoassimilate availability fitted using generalized additive modelling. Relationship between percent increase in whole plant or shoot biomass of plants and the corresponding percent increase in (a) yield, (b) total grain number, (c) fertile tiller number and (d) grain number per inflorescence. All yield components had a significant association with photo-assimilate availability ($P < 0.0001$) except grain number per inflorescence ($P = 0.13$). A grey-shaded area delimits the 95% confidence limit around each fitted relationship. Outliers excluded from analysis were more than 3.7 residual standard deviations from the fitted line and are identified as crosses.

Table S1. Summary of data sets selected from the literature on impacts of elevated carbon dioxide on key components of wheat yield that are accompanied by records of whole plant or shoot biomass changes

Reference	eCO ₂ delivery system	Cultivar(s) and plant growth conditions	Data selected	Data excluded	Reasons for data exclusion
Gifford (1977)	Growth cabinets in temperature-controlled glasshouses ACO ₂ : 280 -300 ppm eCO ₂ : 480 – 500 ppm	Norin (spring wheat) Potted plants at mini-crop spacing Temperature: 21/16°C Solar radiation: Summer: 12–20 MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹ Winter: 4–8 MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹	High-light growth conditions yield data	Low-light growth conditions	Low-light conditions – several yield components not recorded.
Havelka <i>et al.</i> (1984)	Open-top chambers ACO ₂ : 340 ppm eCO ₂ : 1200 ppm	Arthur (winter wheat) Field sown, Delaware USA	1979 and 1980 growth seasons eCO ₂ yield data	N/A	
Mitchell <i>et al.</i> (1993)	Growth chambers in a glasshouse ACO ₂ : 361 ppm eCO ₂ : 692 ppm	Mercia (winter wheat) Potted plants at mini-crop spacing. Temperature: ambient or Ambient + 4°C. Low N: 5 mM nitrate High N: 48 mM nitrate)	eCO ₂ yield responses at: Low N: Ambient + 4°C High N: Ambient; Ambient + 4°C	Low N: ambient	Yield reduced under eCO ₂ .
Weigel <i>et al.</i> (1994)	Open-top chambers in a glasshouse ACO ₂ : 384 ppm eCO ₂ : 471, 551, 624, 718 ppm	Star and Turbo (spring wheat) Potted plants at mini-crop spacing. Temperature: 18°C PAR: 23.1 mol m ⁻² day ⁻¹	Yield data sets at all eCO ₂ levels	N/A	
Rawson (1995)	Temperature gradient tunnels ACO ₂ : 350 ppm eCO ₂ : 700 ppm	Hartog and Late Hartog Field conditions at two sites: Black Mountain and Ginnindera Exp Station ACT Australia Temperature: summer (35/16°C); winter (23/8°C). Solar radiation: 10–20 MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹	All yield data sets	N/A	

Fangmeier <i>et al.</i> (1996)	Open-top chambers ACO ₂ : 360 ppm eCO ₂ : 520, 680 ppm	Minaret (spring wheat) Potted plants at mini-crop spacing Temperature: 15–30°C Low N: 150 kg ha ⁻¹ High N: 270 kg ha ⁻¹	Yield responses at: low and high N Two eCO ₂ levels	Ozone treatments	Phytotoxicity
Manderscheid and Weigel (1997)	Open-top chamber ACO ₂ : 379 ppm eCO ₂ : 689 ppm	German cultivars: Heines Kolben (1890); Janetzki's Früher (1914); Rimpaus Langensteiner (1943); Adler (1965); Turbo (1979); Nandu (1988) Potted plants at mini-crop spacing Temperature: 19°C PAR: 25.2 mol m ⁻² day ⁻¹	All yield data sets		
McKee <i>et al.</i> (1997)	Growth chambers ACO ₂ : 350 ppm eCO ₂ : 700 ppm	Wembley (spring wheat) Potted plants Temperature: 24/18°C PAR: 645 μmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹	Yield data for eCO ₂ treatments alone	Ozone treatments	Phytotoxicity
Mulholland <i>et al.</i> (1997)	Open top chambers ACO ₂ : 379 ppm eCO ₂ : 550, 683 ppm	Minaret (spring wheat) Field grown, Nottingham, UK Temperature: 14–21°C Solar radiation: 14 MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹	Yield data for CO ₂ treatments alone	Ozone treatments	Phytotoxicity
Sharma-Natu <i>et al.</i> (1997)	Open-top chambers ACO ₂ : 379 ppm eCO ₂ : 650 ppm	Kalyansona and Kundara Field grown	All yield data sets		
Hakala (1998)	Open-top chambers in a temperature-controlled greenhouse. ACO ₂ : 379 ppm eCO ₂ : 700 ppm	Polkka (spring wheat) Field grown; southern Finland Temperature: ambient (min 7°C; max 24°C) and ambient + 3°C. Solar radiation: 6–7 MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹ .	All yield data sets		

Van Oijen <i>et al.</i> (1999)	Open-top chambers ACO ₂ : 373 ppm eCO ₂ : 718 (1995), 753 (1996) ppm	Minaret Field grown, Wageningen, Netherlands Temperature: 15°C Solar radiation: 16–19 MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹	All yield data sets		
Li <i>et al.</i> (2007)	FACE ACO ₂ : 360 ppm eCO ₂ : 410 ppm	Dingxi 24 (spring wheat) Field grown, Dingxi, China NH ₄ NO ₃ : 0, 250, 500 kg m ⁻²	Data not used		CO ₂ differential too small.
Ziska (2008)	Open-top chambers ACO ₂ : 395 ppm eCO ₂ : 665 ppm	Marquis and Oxen (spring wheat) Field grown, Beltsville, USA Two plant densities	Yield responses at eCO ₂ for: Marquis: and Oxen at low planting densities in 2005, 2006. 2007 seasons	Marquis: 2005; 2007 seasons	Marquis 2005: yield response statistical outlier. Marquis 2007: tiller and seed number responses statistical outliers.
Tausz-Posch <i>et al.</i> (2012)	FACE ACO ₂ : 395 ppm eCO ₂ : 550 ppm	Drysdale and Hartog Field grown, Horsham, Victoria, Australia Temperature: 11–14°C	All yield data sets		
Bourgault <i>et al.</i> (2013)	Growth chambers and glasshouses ACO ₂ : 420 ppm eCO ₂ : 700 ppm	20 cultivars Potted plants at mini-crop spacing PAR: 600 μmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹	Cultivars combined yield data set		
De Oliveira <i>et al.</i> (2013)	Tunnel houses ACO ₂ : 385 ppm eCO ₂ : 700 ppm	Line 38–19 and Janz Field grown Temperature: 10–15°C rising to 20–25°C Ambient, ambient + 2°C, ambient + 4°C, ambient + 6°C PAR (max): 948 μmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹	Yield responses to eCO ₂ at: ACO ₂ + ambient °C eCO ₂ and ambient + 2°C,	eCO ₂ and ambient + 4 and 6°C	Treatments depressed yield below the ACO ₂ control

Table S2. Summary of data sets selected from the literature on impacts of elevated carbon dioxide on key components of rice yield that are accompanied by records of whole plant or shoot biomass changes

Reference	eCO ₂ delivery system	Cultivar and plant growth conditions	Data selected	Data excluded	Reasons for data exclusion
Khan and Madsen (1986)	Growth cabinets ACO ₂ : 330 ppm eCO ₂ : 600, 900 ppm	IR-20 Spaced potted plants Temperature: 22/18 to 35/28°C PAR: 133 μmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹	All yield data sets		
Baker <i>et al.</i> (1990)	Sun-lit growth chambers ACO ₂ : 330 ppm eCO ₂ : 500, 660, 900 ppm	IR-30 Paddy culture	All eCO ₂ yield data sets		
Baker <i>et al.</i> (1992a)	Outdoor, sun-lit growth chambers. ACO ₂ : 330 ppm eCO ₂ : 660 ppm	IR-30 Paddy culture Temperature: 25/18; 28/21; 31/24; 34/27°C	eCO ₂ yield responses at 25/18, 28/21°C 14/10 h photoperiod	eCO ₂ responses at 31/24, 34/27°C	Yield less than ACO ₂ controls
Baker <i>et al.</i> (1992b)	Sun-lit growth chambers ACO ₂ : 330 ppm eCO ₂ : 660 ppm	IR-30 Paddy culture Temperature: 28/21, 34/27, 40/33°C	eCO ₂ yield responses to eCO ₂ at 28/21, 34/27°C	eCO ₂ responses at 40/33°C	Plant failure under these conditions.
Bugbee <i>et al.</i> (1994)	Growth chambers ACO ₂ : 340 ppm eCO ₂ : 680 ppm	29-Lu-1 and Ai-Nan-Tsao Spaced potted plants Temperature: 29/22 or 35/28°C PAR: 600 or 1200 μmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹	eCO ₂ yield responses at two PARs and a temperature of 29/22°C	eCO ₂ responses at 35/28°C	Pollination compromised at higher temperature.
Seneweera <i>et al.</i> (1994)	Growth chamber ACO ₂ : 350 ppm eCO ₂ : 700 ppm	Jarrah Spaced potted plants CaHPO ₄ : 0, 30, 60, 120, 240, 480 mg kg ⁻¹ Temperature: 28/21°C PAR: 1200 μmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹	eCO ₂ yield responses at 120, 240, 480 mg kg ⁻¹ P	eCO ₂ responses at 0, 30, 60 mg kg ⁻¹ P	Plants P deficient

de Costa <i>et al.</i> (2003)	Open-top chambers ACO ₂ : 370 ppm eCO ₂ : 570 ppm	BG-300 Field grown, January-March (rainy season) or May – August in sub-humid zone of Sri Lanka Temperature: 28–32°C Solar radiation: 480–650 MJ m ⁻²	All yield data sets		
Kim <i>et al.</i> (2003)	FACE ACO ₂ : 367 ppm eCO ₂ : 643, 586 ppm	Akitakomachi (japonica) Field grown, Shizukuishi, Japan Three seasons (1998, 1999, 2000) (NH ₄) ₂ SO ₄ : 4g (LN), 8g (MN), 12g (HN) m ⁻² Temperature: 20–21°C Solar radiation: 1636 MJ m ⁻²	Responses to eCO ₂ for the 1999 and 2000 seasons	1998 season data	Data not available to estimate eCO ₂ responses of shoot biomass.
Baker (2004)	Sun-lit growth chambers ACO ₂ : 350 ppm eCO ₂ : 700 ppm	Cocodrie, Cypress, Jefferson, Lamont Potted plants at mini-crop spacing Temperature: 24, 28, 32, 36, 40°C	eCO ₂ yield responses for Cocodrie, Cypress and Jefferson at constant 28°C	24, 32, 36, 40°C Lamont data set	No data available for ACO ₂ No biomass gain with exposure to eCO ₂
De Costa <i>et al.</i> (2006)	Sun-lit open top chambers ACO ₂ : 370 ppm eCO ₂ : 570 ppm	BG300 Field grown, Field grown, January-March (rainy season) or May – August in sub-humid zone of Sri Lanka Temperature: 36/22°C	All yield data sets		
De Costa <i>et al.</i> (2007)	Sun-lit open-top chambers ACO ₂ : 370 ppm eCO ₂ : 570 ppm	16x genotypes Field grown, sub-humid zone of Sri Lanka Two growth seasons Temperature: 28–32°C Solar radiation: 2067 MJ m ⁻²	Subset of 8 genotypes with reported yield components for November to March season except BG276-5	Excluded all May to August season crop data and BG276-5 from November to March season	eCO ₂ elicited negative responses for shoot biomass.

Shimino <i>et al.</i> (2008)	FACE ACO ₂ : 366 ppm eCO ₂ : 570 (2003), 548 (2004) ppm	Akitakomachi (japonica) Field grown, Shizukuishi, Japan Two seasons (2003, 2004) Nitrogen: Controlled release urea or (NH ₄) ₂ SO ₄ Temperature: 15 to 25°C Solar radiation: 8–26 mol m ⁻² day ⁻¹	All yield data sets		
Cheng <i>et al.</i> (2009)	Growth chambers Reproductive stage only ACO ₂ : 380 ppm eCO ₂ : 680 ppm	IR72 (indica) Potted plants at mini-crop spacing Temperature: 32/32°C, 32/22°C	All yield data sets		
Shimino <i>et al.</i> (2009)	FACE ACO ₂ : 384 ppm eCO ₂ : 570 (2003), 548 (2004)	Kirara, Kakehashi, Akitakomachi, Hitomebore Field grown, Shizukuishi, Japan Two seasons (2003; 2004). Temperature 15–25°C Solar radiation: 2.6 MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹	All yield data sets		
Yang <i>et al.</i> (2009)	FACE ACO ₂ : 376 ppm eCO ₂ : 565 ppm	Liangyoupeijiu (hybrid) Field grown. Yangzhou, China Temperature: 15°C Nitrogen; 12.5 g m ⁻² (Low N), 25 g m ⁻² (High N)	All yield data sets		
Hasegawa <i>et al.</i> (2013)	FACE ACO ₂ : 386 ppm eCO ₂ : 584 ppm	8 cultivars Field grown at two sites - Shizukuishi and Tsukuba, Japan Three seasons (2007, 2008, 2010) Temperature: 27°C Solar radiation: 10–19 MJ m ⁻²	Yield responses to eCO ₂ at Tsukuba in 2010 season	Shizukuishi (2007, 2008, 2010), Tsukuba (2007, 2008)	Record of whole plant or shoot biomass not reported

Zhang <i>et al.</i> (2013)	FACE ACO ₂ : 386 ppm eCO ₂ : 584 (2010), 560 (2011) ppm	Koshihikari Filed grown, Tsukuba, Japan Two seasons (2010, 2011) Temperature: 25°C	All yield data sets		
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Table S3. Summary of data sets selected from the literature on impacts of elevated carbon dioxide on key components of soybean yield that are accompanied by records of whole plant or shoot biomass changes

Reference	eCO ₂ delivery system	Cultivar and plant growth conditions	Data selected	Data excluded	Reasons for data exclusion
Ackerson <i>et al.</i> (1984)	Open-top chambers ACO ₂ : 336 ppm eCO ₂ : 1200 ppm	Wye (determinant) Field grown, Delaware, USA eCO ₂ from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • emergence to anthesis or maturity. • anthesis to early pod fill • early pod fill to maturity. 	Yield data following exposure to eCO ₂ from seedling emergence to maturity	Remaining eCO ₂ exposure periods	Consistency to eCO ₂ developmental states across data sets.
Sionit <i>et al.</i> (1987)	Growth chambers ACO ₂ : 350 ppm eCO ₂ : 675, 1000 ppm	Ransom (determinate) Spaced potted plants Temperature: 18/12, 22/16, 26/20°C PAR: 550 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$	Yield response at eCO ₂ of 675 ppm and 26/20°C	18/12, 22/16°C 1000 ppm at 26/20°C	18/12°C: no seed set 22/16°C: no effect of eCO ₂ on seed yield 26/20°C: no effect of 1000 ppm on whole plant biomass
Cure <i>et al.</i> (1988)	Growth chambers ACO ₂ : 350 ppm eCO ₂ : 700 ppm	Lee (non-nodulating soybean) Spaced potted plants KNO ₃ : 0.05, 1.0, 2.5, 5.0, 10.0 mM Temperature: 28/22°C PAR: 1000 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$	eCO ₂ yield responses at 1.0, 2.5, 5.0 and 10 mM KNO ₃	0.05 mM KNO ₃ treatment	Severe N deficiency.
Allan <i>et al.</i> (1991)	Outdoor, sun-lit controlled-environment chambers ACO ₂ : 330 ppm eCO ₂ : 660, 990 ppm	Bragg (indeterminate) Potted plants at mini-crop spacing Temperature: 31/23°C	eCO ₂ yield responses at 660 ppm	eCO ₂ yield responses at 990 ppm	Insect attack
Mulchi <i>et al.</i> (1992)	Open-top chambers ACO ₂ : 350 ppm eCO ₂ : 400, 500 ppm	Clark Field grown, Beltsville, USA	Yield responses to 400 and 500 ppm CO ₂ .	Ozone treatments	Ozone phytotoxicity

Miglietta <i>et al.</i> (1993)	Solfatara, Italy, spring emitting CO ₂ ACO ₂ : 350 ppm eCO ₂ : 652, 2370 ppm	Cresir (determinate) Space potted plants	eCO ₂ yield responses at 652 ppm	eCO ₂ yield responses at 2370 ppm	Data not available.
Heagle <i>et al.</i> (1998)	Open-top chambers ACO ₂ : 350 ppm eCO ₂ : 482, 599, 713 ppm Ozone: 20, 50, 79 ppb	Essex, Holladay, Northrup King Field experiment North Carolina, USA Potted plants	Yield responses to eCO ₂ at 20 ppb ozone concentration for 1993 and 1994 seasons	Treatments containing ozone at 50 and 79 ppb.	Ozone phytotoxicity
Ziska <i>et al.</i> (1998)	Glasshouse ACO ₂ : 390 ppm eCO ₂ : 700 ppm	Clark (indeterminate), D-70 (determinate), Fiskeby (indeterminate), I-62-1579 (indeterminate), Spencer (indeterminate) Spaced potted plants Temperature: Min 17°C; Max 31°C PAR: 18.6 mol m ⁻²	All yield data sets		
Heagle <i>et al.</i> (1999)	Open-top chambers ACO ₂ : 350 ppm eCO ₂ : 700 ppm	Essex Field experiment North Carolina Potted plants Temperature: 25°C Pots ± insulation (1994) Soil sown plants (1995)	All yield data sets		
Ferris <i>et al.</i> (1999)	Glasshouse ACO ₂ : 362 ppm eCO ₂ : 685 ppm	Fiskeby V Spaced potted plants Temperature: 25/15°C High temperature and water stress treatments t	Yield responses to eCO ₂ of well watered plants at ambient temperature	High temperature and water stress	Stress responses confounding eCO ₂ effects on photoassimilate availability.
Ziska and Bunce (2000)	Open-top chambers ACO ₂ : 370 ppm eCO ₂ : 680 ppm	Ripley (semi dwarf determinate), Spencer (indeterminate) Two seasons (1998, 1999) Field grown, Beltsville, USA	All yield data sets		

Ziska <i>et al</i> (2001)	Glasshouse ACO ₂ : 370 ppm eCO ₂ : 680 ppm	Nine cultivars (determinate, indeterminate) Spaced potted plants Temperature: 22°C Solar radiation: 13–21 mol m ⁻² day ⁻¹	All yield data sets		
Nakamoto <i>et al.</i> (2004)	Sun-lit growth chambers ACO ₂ : 350 ppm eCO ₂ : 700 ppm	Fukuyutaka Spaced potted plants Temperature: 28/22°C eCO ₂ delivered for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • whole growth period • vegetative growth alone • reproductive growth alone 	eCO ₂ responses for exposure for the entire growth period	eCO _r for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • vegetative growth • alone • reproductive growth alone 	Consistency for evaluation
Booker <i>et al.</i> (2005)	Open-top chambers ACO ₂ : 371 ppm eCO ₂ : 708 ppm	Essex Plants potted or soil grown. Potted plants at min-crop spacing Two seasons (1999, 2000)	All yield data sets		

Table S4. Summary of data sets selected from the literature on impacts of elevated carbon dioxide on key components of potato yield that are accompanied by records of whole plant or shoot biomass changes.

Reference	eCO ₂ delivery system	Cultivar(s) and plant growth conditions	Data selected	Data excluded	Reasons for data exclusion
Wheeler <i>et al.</i> (1991)	Controlled-environment rooms ACO ₂ : 350 ppm eCO ₂ : 1000 ppm	Norland, Russett Burbank, Denali Spaced potted plants Temperature: 16°C PAR: 400 μmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹ Photoperiod: 12/12, 24 continuous light	All yield data sets		
Miglietta <i>et al.</i> (1998)	FACE ACO ₂ : 335, 380 ppm eCO ₂ : 716 (1995), 733 (1996) ppm	Primura Field grown, Tuscany, Italy Temperature: 12–25°C PAR: 20–40 MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹	All yield data sets		
Schapendonk <i>et al.</i> (2000)	Open-top chambers ACO ₂ : 370 ppm eCO ₂ : 540, 715 ppm	Gloria, Elles Field grown, Wangingen, Netherlands Temperature; 16°C Solar radiation: 18 MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹	All yield data sets		
Donnelly <i>et al.</i> (2001)	Open-top chambers ACO ₂ : 370 ppm eCO ₂ : 550, 680 ppm Ozone: 65 ppb	Bintje Field grown, Nottingham, UK Temperature; 16°C Solar radiation: 12 MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹	Response of yield parameters to eCO ₂ alone	Ozone treatments	Ozone phytotoxicity
Lawson <i>et al.</i> (2001)	Open-top chambers ACO ₂ : 370 ppm eCO ₂ : 550, 680 ppm Ozone: 60 ppb	Bintje Field grown, Nottingham, UK Temperature 15°C Solar radiation: 12.1 MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹	Response of yield parameters to eCO ₂ alone	Ozone treatments	Ozone phytotoxicity

Craigon <i>et al.</i> (2002)	Open-top chambers ACO ₂ : 370 ppm eCO ₂ : 680 ppm Ozone: 60 ppb FACE ACO ₂ : 370 ppm eCO ₂ : 550 ppm	Binjje Field grown in open-top chambers at six sites: Tervuren (Belgium), Jokioinen (Finland), Giessen (Germany) Carlow (Ireland) Gottenburg (Sweden), Sutton Bonnington (UK) Field grown in FACE, Italy, Germany Two seasons (1998, 1999)	Response of yield parameters to eCO ₂ in open-top chambers alone	FACE and ozone data sets	FACE data sets do not report yield components Ozone phytotoxicity
Finnan <i>et al.</i> (2002)	Open-top chambers ACO ₂ : 370 ppm eCO ₂ : 680 ppm Ozone: 50, 70 ppb	Binjje Field grown, Carlow, Ireland. Two seasons (1998, 1999) Temperature: 12.4, 13.4°C	Response of yield parameters to eCO ₂ alone	Ozone treatments	Ozone phytotoxicity
Heagle <i>et al.</i> (2003)	Open-top field chambers ACO ₂ : 370 ppm eCO ₂ : 540, 715 ppm Ozone: 15, 45, 80 ppb	Dark Rd Norland, Superior Spaced potted plants	Response of yield parameters to eCO ₂ at 15 ppb ozone	Treatments containing 40 and 80 ppb ozone	Ozone phytotoxicity
Persson <i>et al.</i> (2003)	Open-top field chambers ACO ₂ : 370 ppm eCO ₂ : 650 ppm Ozone: 20 ppb	Binjje Field grown, Gottenberg, Sweden	No data used. Response of yield parameters to eCO ₂ alone in OTCs	Ozone treatment Negative whole plant biomass response to eCO ₂	Ozone phytotoxicity
Högy and Fangmeier (2009)	Open-top field chambers ACO ₂ : 380 ppm eCO ₂ : 550, 680 ppm	Binjje Field grown, Giessen, Germany Two seasons (1998, 1999) Temperature: 20°C Solar radiation: 10 MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹	All yield data sets		

Table S5. Summary of data sets selected from the literature on impacts of elevated carbon dioxide on key components of sugarbeet yield that are accompanied by records of whole plant or shoot biomass changes.

Reference	eCO ₂ delivery system	Cultivar and plant growth conditions	Data selected	Data excluded	Reasons for data exclusion
Wyse (1980)	Open-top chamber ACO ₂ : 330 ppm eCO ₂ : 600–800 ppm	AH-10 Field grown, Logan Utah, USA	All yield data sets		
Ziska <i>et al.</i> (1995)	Controlled environmental chambers – indoors, outside ACO ₂ : 366, 332 ppm eCO ₂ : 700, 725 ppm	Spaced potted plants Outside: two growth periods – Sept/Oct (19°C) and July/Aug (31°C) PAR: 690 and 894 μmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹	All yield data sets		
Demmers-Derks <i>et al.</i> (1998)	Sun-lit growth chambers ACO ₂ : 360 ppm eCO ₂ : 600, 700 ppm	Celt Potted plants outdoors at mini-crop spacing, Rothamstead, UK Three growth seasons (1993, 1994, 1995). Nitrate: 1 and 10 mM Temperature: ambient (15°C; 5 to 30°C), ambient + 3°C PAR: 3692–3892 mol m ⁻²	All yield data sets		
Wolf (1998)	Glasshouse ACO ₂ : 3i5 ppm eCO ₂ : 695 ppm	Spaced potted plants NPK concentrations 10 and 30% of optimal supply. Temperature: 20/15°C Solar radiation: 3.1 MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹	Yield data responses of full nutrient plants to eCO ₂	Data obtained from plants grown under nutrient deficiency	Nutrient deficiencies attenuated sink strength.

Manderscheid <i>et al.</i> (2010)	FACE ACO ₂ : 375 ppm eCO ₂ : 550 ppm	Impuls Field grown, Braunschweig, Germany Nitrogen. Normal agronomic rates and 50% of normal rates Temperature: 10–18°C Solar radiation: 10–20 MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹	All yield data sets		
Weigel and Manderscheid (2012)	FACE ACO ₂ : 375 ppm eCO ₂ : 550 ppm	Wiebke, Impuls Field grown, Braunschweig, Germany Temperature: 14°C Nitrogen. Normal agronomic rates and 50% of normal rates	All yield data sets		

Table S6. Numbers of observations used in the eCO₂ response analyses of crop yield components obtained from plants raised singly in spaced pots versus those from potted plants arranged in mini-crop configurations or raised under field conditions

Crop species	Numbers of observations obtained from:	
	Singly potted/spaced plants	Potted mini-crop/field raised plants
Wheat	0	52
Rice	4	54
Soybean	20	35
Potato	16	23
Sugar beet	4	15

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