

**Table S1** Primer sequences used for q-PCR in this study.

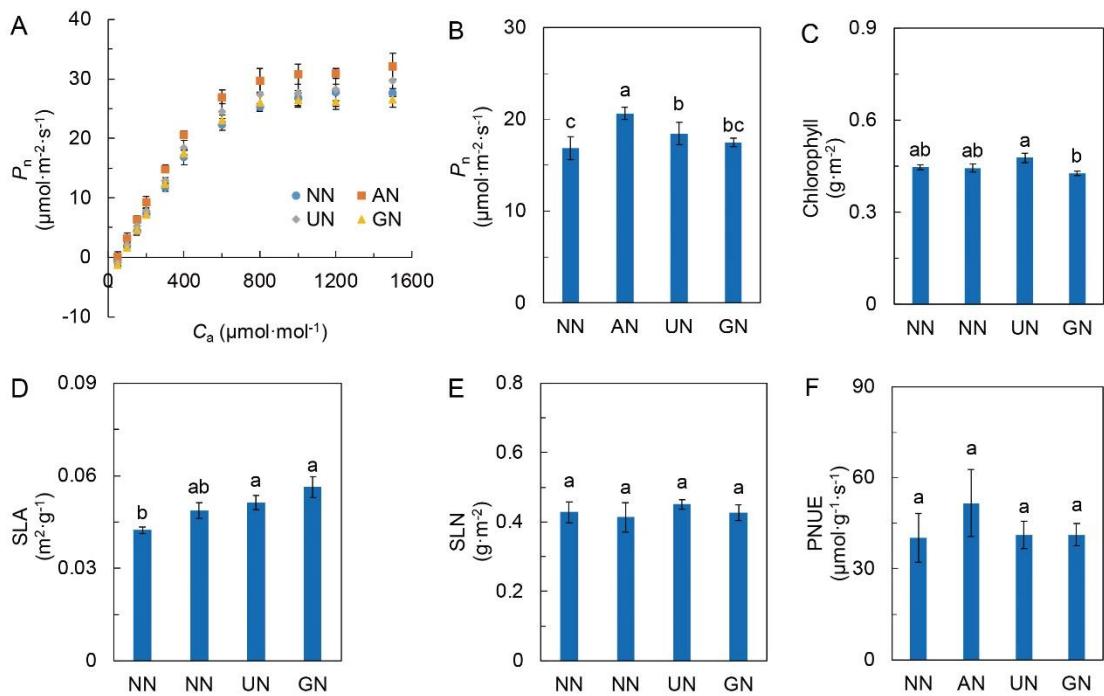
Genes	Forward (5'→3')	Reverse (5'→3')
<i>Actin</i>	TAGAGAGTCCCCGTATGCT	CACAAGAACCGACACGCAT
<i>AACT</i>	GATGTTGTTGTGGCAGGTGG	TCAGCACAAATTCCCCATGCT
<i>HMGS</i>	GATCTTGAGAAGGCGAGCCA	CCGGCCAGAGAGCTACTTT
<i>HMGRI</i>	GGAAAATCTCTGCCGGACT	GAAGGAGTGGCCCTGCTATG
<i>MK</i>	ATGTTGTGGGAGCAGAGAGTG	AAGCATCATGGCCACCAACT
<i>PMK</i>	TCTGCTCCTGGGAAGGTTTG	GGGTCCTCGAGTCACTTCC
<i>MDD2</i>	GCCTGGTCTTCTCATTGGCT	CCCACTTGACGAATCCACCA
<i>DXS</i>	CAGGAAAACAGGCAAAGAGTA	TGGAGGAACGACGAGTAGAT
<i>DXR</i>	CGCCCAAAAAGGGGTTGTT	TCTCTGCCCGCACTGTATC
<i>MCT</i>	AAGACCTCTCGTGTGGCTG	GCGAGTAGTAAGTCGTGGG
<i>CMK</i>	ACTCCGGCTTTGACGTTCT	AACTGAGGTGGATCGGGAGA
<i>MDS</i>	GGGCTTCCAGACATTGGTCA	CCCGAGCAACAGGCATAGAT
<i>HDS</i>	CCAAGGCTGCAGAACATGAGGA	GAAACTCCGGGCAAGTGAGA
<i>HDR</i>	GCTTGTGGTAGGTGGTTCA	TGCACCTGAAGTTATGCCGA
<i>GGPS</i>	AGGTGGTGGACGACATCCTA	CTCCCTCTTCAGCTGCTCTG
<i>CPS</i>	CCATGGCGACGGAGAAATA	ACGCAGCTACGCATCCTAAT
<i>UGT73AUI</i>	GGGGGAGGTGAATTGGATG	ACTCTTCCACCACGAGGGTA
<i>NIA2</i>	TTACCGGATCGGAGAGCTGA	CATCGTGTGAGAGCGAGGTT
<i>GSI</i>	AGTTCAAGTCGGCCCTAGC	TTTGTGGCGAAGCGATAGGT
<i>GS2</i>	TCCACTCTCCACTCCTCACC	AGCCTCCGACCCAGATGTAT
<i>NDAH-GOGAT</i>	AGGAAGTCGAAGGTTCTGCG	AATCCCAGTTCTCCGCCAG
<i>Fd-GOGAT</i>	CCCGCGATCTCGTCAATT	CCAAGGTCATGTGCTGAGT
<i>GDH</i>	TGCTGATTAAATGGCGCGG	TCCGGGTCACTAGGATGGTT
<i>GAD</i>	TCGTGTCCAAGGATAACGGC	GTGTATGCGGGACAATCCA
<i>GABA-TP3</i>	GGCGAGATTAGGGAACAGG	ACTCGCACCAACATCCCATT
<i>NAGK</i>	GGACAAGGACAGGGCGATAA	CCGCGCCTCATAAACCAATC
<i>ADC</i>	GCCTCTCCCTACGCTTCTC	AGTGAAGTAAGAACGCCCC

<i>glnD</i>	GCCGACGTAATGCGAACAAAT	CCGATGGAACGACTGGAGTT
<i>ACO</i>	GCTGTCCAGTCGGAGATCAG	GTTGGAGACGGGGAGATGAC
<i>EIN3</i>	AGGGTCTTCAATCAGTGGCG	GCCCTTCTGGCTCACATTCT
<i>AOAT</i>	GACCGAGATGAACGGGCAAT	AGCGAAGTGTGAGCGAGAA
<i>AODA</i>	CCTGGAGGTGGCATCAATCA	CTGGCGTTCTCCTCTGGAAG
<i>OAT</i>	ACTGCACTTACAGGCAACAC	AAAGTGGACTGGACGTTCTG
<i>AGDI</i>	ACCGGAACCCCGATTTAACCC	ACAACGCTCGTATTGTGGGT
<i>CuAO</i>	GTGGAGATGGTGTGCCGTA	AGAAAGCACGATCGAGGCAA

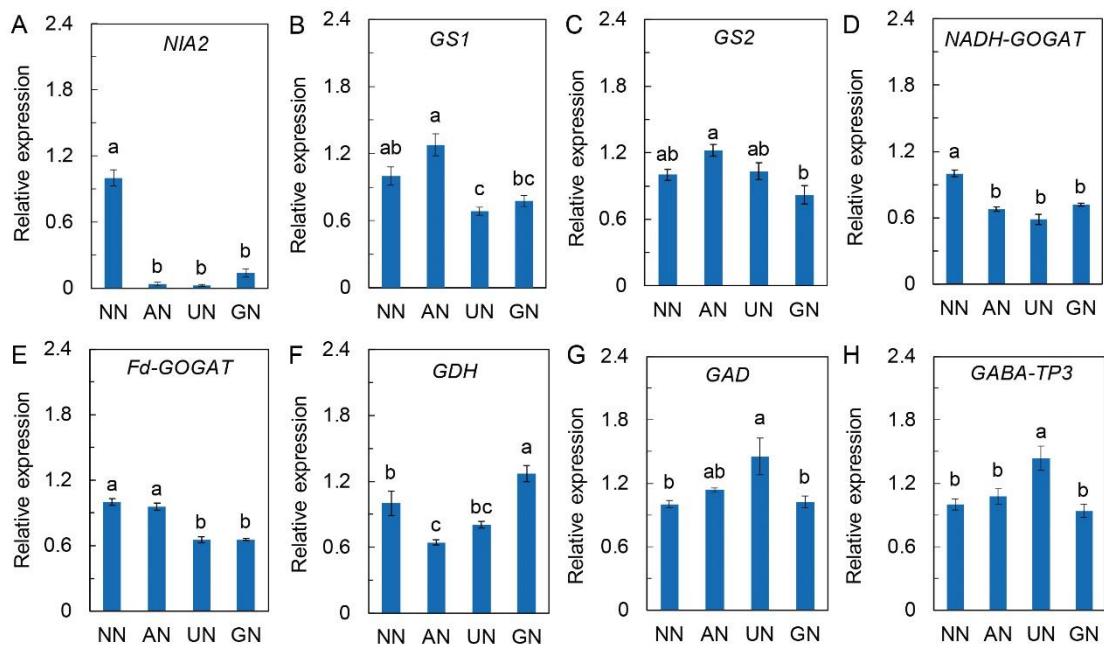
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**Table S2** Parameters of *A-Ci* curve.  $V_{\text{cmax}}$ ,  $J_{\text{max}}$  and  $TPU$  were calculated by the FvCB model [74]. Data were represented by means $\pm$ SD ( $n=4$ ). Different letters in the same column indicates significant difference at  $P < 0.05$  level according to one-way ANOVA combined with Duncan's multiple range method. NN, nitrate nitrogen; AN, ammonium nitrogen; UN, urea nitrogen; GN, glycine nitrogen.

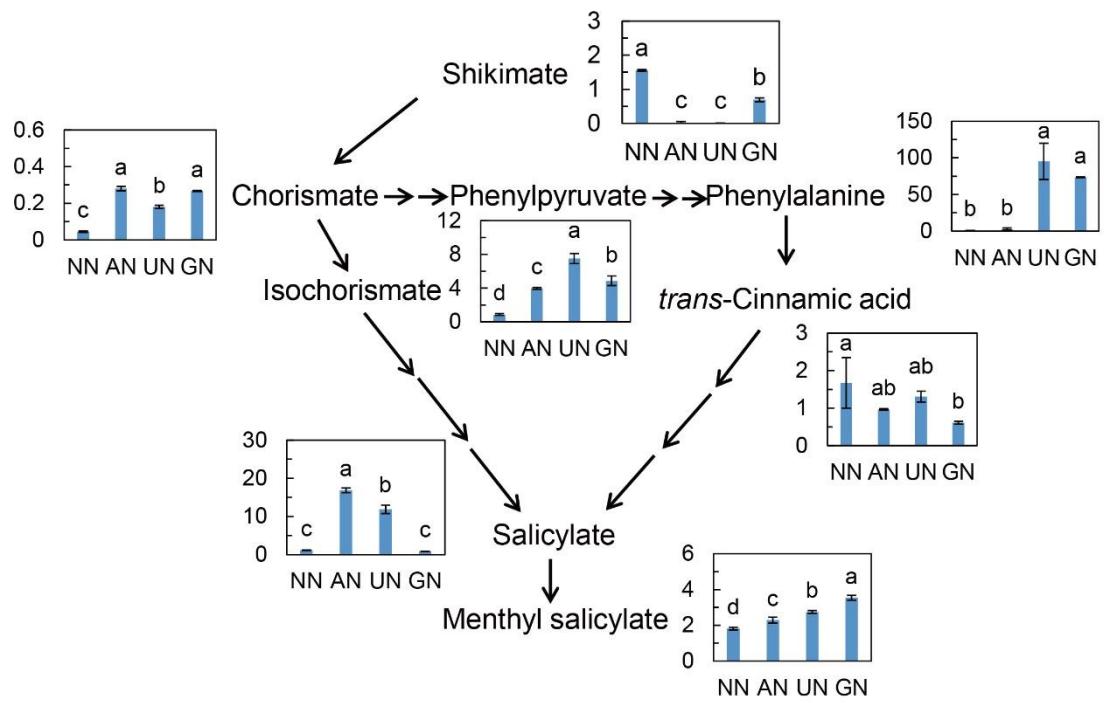
Treatment	$V_{\text{cmax}}$	$J_{\text{max}}$	$TPU$
	$\mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$	$\mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$	$\mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$
NN	47.82 $\pm$ 0.35 ab	45.85 $\pm$ 1.08 a	9.00 $\pm$ 0.07 ab
AN	52.66 $\pm$ 1.61 a	51.00 $\pm$ 2.37 a	9.78 $\pm$ 0.41 a
UN	50.09 $\pm$ 2.04 ab	49.00 $\pm$ 2.00 a	9.29 $\pm$ 0.35 ab
GN	46.66 $\pm$ 0.94 b	43.76 $\pm$ 1.14 a	8.53 $\pm$ 0.14 b



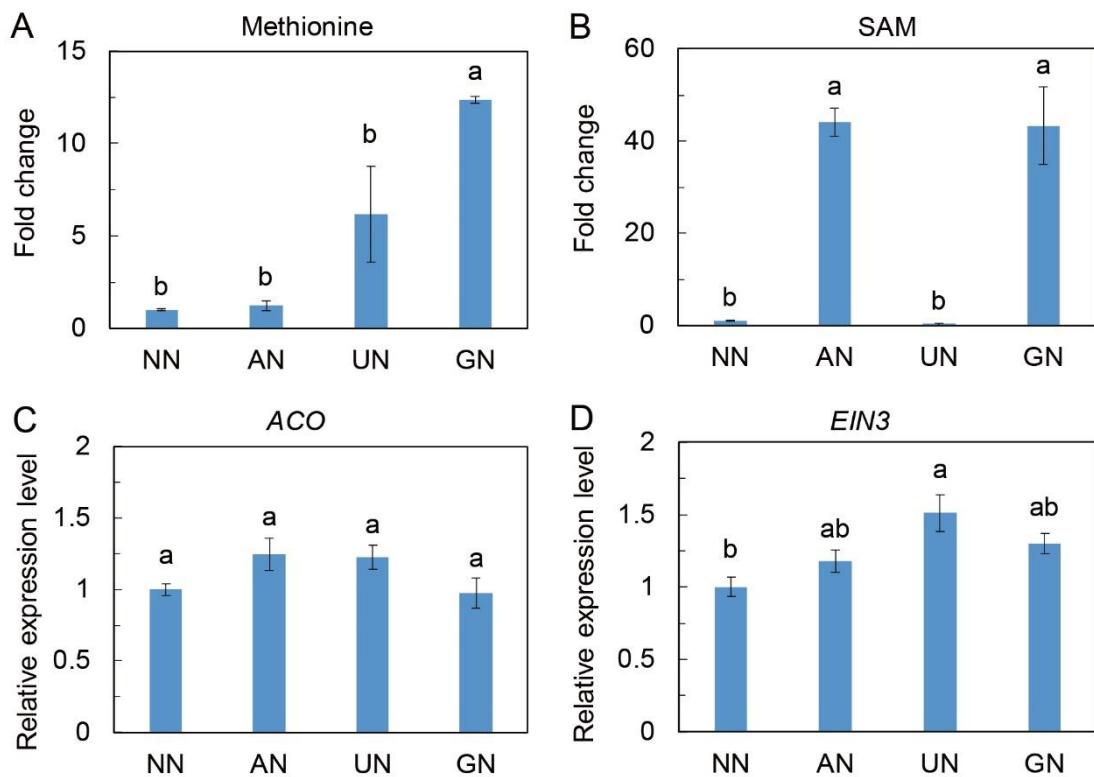
**Fig.S1** Photosynthetic  $\text{CO}_2$  response curve, chlorophyll, SLA and SLN in response to N forms in *A. paniculata*. **(A)** Photosynthetic  $A\text{-}Ca$  curve; **(B)** Photosynthetic rate at  $400 \mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1} Ca$  (ambient  $\text{CO}_2$  concentration); **(C)** Chlorophyll content based on leaf area; **(D)** Specific leaf area; **(E)** Specific leaf N content; **(F)** Photosynthetic N use efficiency. Data were represented by means $\pm$ SD ( $n=4$ ). Different letters in the same column indicates significant difference at  $P < 0.05$  level according to one-way ANOVA combined with Duncan's multiple range method. NN, nitrate nitrogen; AN, ammonium nitrogen; UN, urea nitrogen; GN, glycine nitrogen.



**Fig.S2** Expression of N metabolic genes in response to N forms. Data were represented by means $\pm$ SD ( $n=4$ ). Different letters in the same column indicates significant difference at  $P < 0.05$  level according to one-way ANOVA combined with Duncan's multiple range method. NN, nitrate nitrogen; AN, ammonium nitrogen; UN, urea nitrogen; GN, glycine nitrogen.



**Fig.S3** Salicylic acid synthetic pathway in response to N forms. Data were represented by means $\pm$ SD ( $n=4$ ). Different letters in the same column indicates significant difference at  $P < 0.05$  level according to one-way ANOVA combined with Duncan's multiple range method. NN, nitrate nitrogen; AN, ammonium nitrogen; UN, urea nitrogen; GN, glycine nitrogen.



**Fig.S4** Methionine and S- S-adenosylmethionine (SAM) levels and expression of *ACO* and *EIN3* in response to N forms. Data were represented by means $\pm$ SE ( $n=4$ ). Different letters in the same column indicates significant difference at  $P < 0.05$  level according to one-way ANOVA combined with Duncan's new complex range method. NN, nitrate nitrogen; AN, ammonium nitrogen; UN, urea nitrogen; GN, glycine nitrogen.