Supplementary Information

Table S1. Soil properties (bulk density, water content, Fe concentrations and total C and N) measured for soils from valley and slope position in wet tropical forest in Puerto Rico. An asterisk (*) designates statistically significant differences between soils (p<0.01).

Soil	Bulk Density (g cm ⁻³)	Water content (%)		Fe (II) (µg Fe²+g soil⁻¹)	Fe (III) + Fe (II) (µg Feg soil-1)	Total C (%)	Total N (%)
Slope	0.54 ±0.1	30.1±4.2	5.2±0.15	53.3±9	1100±90	3.81±0.2	0.3±0.0
Valley	0.63 ±0.1	*55.2±8.3	5.0±0.11	*340±10	*5700±270	4.17±0.2	0.4±0.1

Figure S1. Soil Fe (II) concentrations (μ g Fe g soil⁻¹) measured after to oxic and anoxic preincubations for soils from valley (up) and slope (bottom) positions in wet tropical forest in Puerto Rico. An asterisk (*) designates statistically significant differences between treatments (p<0.01).

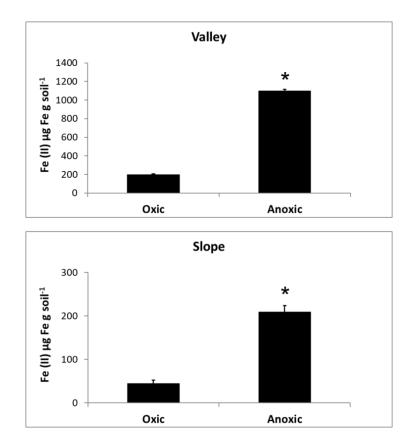


Table S2. P concentrations in different soil P fractions (μ g P g soil⁻¹) and soil CO₂ production (μ g C g soil⁻¹ day⁻¹) measured for soil from valley and slope positions in wet tropical forest in Puerto Rico, pre-incubated under oxic (O+) or anoxic (O-) headspace and amended with P and C or DI water (control). * designates statistically significant differences between samples (p<0.01).

Soil	Treatment	Resin P	Microbial P	Inorganic P	Organic P	Respired CO ₂
Valley	P+C, O+	1.8±1.8	26.6±0.1	49±12.3	173.2±25.0	8.1±2.0
Valley	P+C, O-	4.7±0.5	25.2±0.5	38.0±4.3	197.1±20.7	*5.0±1.1
Valley	DI only, O+	0.1±0.0	15.8±1.0	25.2±6.0	179.9±12.2	1.8±0.4
Valley	DI only, O-	0.3±0.1	12.9±0.8	17.9±3.4	169.6±36.3	1.1±0.3
Slope	P+C, O+	37.1±16.0	133.4±10.0	148.4±20.2	59.1±11.2	122.5±16.2
Slope	P+C, O-	37.4±10.0	*102.0±7.0	*73.9±30.5	*188.3±24.7	*80.1±9.7
Slope	DI Only, O+	0.1±0.0	82.1±4.0*	52.2±9.6*	44.6±7.2	32.6±3.7
Slope	DI Only, O-	0.1±0.0	*49.2±7.0*	*31±2.2	*119.8±37.1	24.7±1.5

Fe (II)		CO2	
Factor	Р	Factor	P
Soil type	<0.001	Soil type	< 0.001
Headspace	<0.001	Headspace	< 0.238
Substrate	NA	Substrate	< 0.001
Soil type/Headspace	<0.321	Soil type/Headspace	< 0.001
Soil type/Substrate	NA	Soil type/Substrate	< 0.001
Headspace/Substrate	NA	Headspace/Substrate	<0.214
Soil type/Headspace/Subsrate	NA	Soil type/Headspace/Subsrate	< 0.135

Pmic		NaOH Pi		NaOH Po	
Factor	Р	Factor	Р	Factor	Р
Soil type	<0.001	Soil type	<0.125	Soil type	< 0.001
Headspace	<0.169	Headspace	<0.001	Headspace	<0.001
Substrate	< 0.001	Substrate	<0.001	Substrate	<0.242
Soil type/Headspace	<0.001	Soil type/Headspace	<0.001	Soil type/Headspace	<0.001
Soil type/Substrate	< 0.001	Soil type/Substrate	<0.118	Soil type/Substrate	<0.187
Headspace/Substrate	<0.197	Headspace/Substrate	<0.434	Headspace/Substrate	<0.115
Soil type/Headspace/Subsrate	<0.187	Soil type/Headspace/Subsrate	< 0.356	Soil type/Headspace/Subsrate	<0.254

Table S3. Three-way ANOVA test was preformed, in which soil type, headspace treatment and substrate addition were included as independent variables and Fe (II) concentrations, soil CO_2 production, microbial P, NaOH Pi and NaOH Po were included as dependent variables. Substrate addition was not included as an independent variable for Fe (II) variable.