

Table S1. Characteristics of the four soils tested in the study. The value in the parenthesis stands for the standard deviation obtained for 3 replicates.

Soil name	Soil texture class ^①	Bulk density (g cm ⁻³) ^②	Water content (w/w) ^③	pH ^④	Initial N-NH ₄ ⁺ ^⑤ (μg N g ⁻¹ soil)	Initial N-NO ₃ ⁻ ^⑥ (μg N g ⁻¹ soil)	Total organic carbon content ^⑦
Solanum	Sandy Loam	1.26	0.23 (0.025)	6.83 (0.02)	0.74 (0.08)	79.46 (0.97)	1.1% (0.08)
Lettuce	Clay	1.38	0.22 (0.013)	5.25 (0.03)	0.94 (0.12)	54.08 (2.89)	1.4% (0.10)
Banana	Sandy Loam	1.29	0.18 (0.020)	6.35 (0.03)	9.68 (0.22)	9.61(1.36)	2.0% (0.07)
Pitaya	Clay	1.30	0.29 (0.005)	5.58(0.01)	12.36 (0.89)	12.05 (2.23)	2.3% (0.14)

① SRUC, Craibstone, Scotland; grid reference NJ872104. ② Reference Kemp et al (*Biol. Fert. Soils* **1992**, *13*(4), 218-224, doi: 10.1007/BF00340579). ③ Oven drying method. ④ Measured in 1:5 soil:1 M KCl extracts. ⑤ Indophenol Blue method, measured in 1:5 soil:2g L⁻¹ CaSO₄ extracts. ⑥ Ion chromatography, measured in 1:5 soil:2g L⁻¹ CaSO₄ extracts. ⑦ Reference standard HJ 501-2009.

Table S2. Soil pH after 0, 12, 24, 36, 48 and 72 hours of first microcosm experiment.

Soil	Applied Fertilizer (μg N g ⁻¹ soil _{dw})	pH					
		0 h	12 h	24 h	36 h	48 h	72 h
Solanum	NH ₄ ⁺ -250	6.70	6.58	6.43	6.30	6.13	5.76
	Urea-250	6.85	7.14	7.22	7.07	6.78	6.15

Measured in 1:5 soil:1 M KCl extracts.

Table S3. Soil pH after 0, 3, 6 and 9 days of second microcosm experiment.

Soil	Applied Fertilizer (μg N g ⁻¹ soil _{dw})	pH			
		0 days	3 days	6 days	9 days
Solanum	NH ₄ ⁺ -100	6.81	5.95	6.03	6.01
	NH ₄ ⁺ -250	6.70	5.76	5.48	5.46
	NH ₄ ⁺ -450	6.64	5.70	5.36	5.23
	Urea-100	6.84	6.15	6.20	6.25
	Urea-250	6.85	6.14	5.92	5.90
	Urea-450	6.84	6.37	5.74	5.54

Measured in 1:5 soil:1 M KCl extracts.

Table S4. Soil pH after 0, 3, 6 and 9 days of third microcosm experiment.

Soil	Applied Fertilizer ($\mu\text{g N g}^{-1} \text{ soil}_{\text{dw}}$)	pH			
		0 days	3 days	6 days	9 days
Solanum	NH_4^+ (CK)	6.70	5.76	5.48	5.46
	NH_4^+ + 10 $\mu\text{g g}^{-1} \text{ soil}_{\text{dw}}$ KClO_3	6.70	6.41	6.10	6.01
	NH_4^+ + 30 $\mu\text{g g}^{-1} \text{ soil}_{\text{dw}}$ KClO_3	6.70	6.45	6.19	6.05
	Urea (CK)	6.85	6.14	5.92	5.90
	Urea + 6.4 $\mu\text{g g}^{-1} \text{ soil}_{\text{dw}}$ NBPT	6.85	6.12	5.93	5.87
	Urea + 12.8 $\mu\text{g g}^{-1} \text{ soil}_{\text{dw}}$ NBPT	6.85	6.21	6.08	5.90

Measured in 1:5 soil:1 M KCl extracts.

Table S5. Nitrite oxidation potential after 3, 12, 24, 48 hours of the incubation of FA.

Soil	Ammonia in head-space (v/v)	Nitrite oxidation potential ($\mu\text{mol g}^{-1} \text{ soil}_{\text{dw}} \text{ h}^{-1}$)			
		3h	12h	24h	48h
Solanum	CK	0.248 ^{aa}	0.253 ^{aa}	0.257 ^{aa}	0.256 ^{aa}
	0.9%	0.238 ^{aa}	0.215 ^{bb}	0.206 ^{cb}	0.192 ^{db}
	2.7%	0.236 ^{aa}	0.209 ^{bb}	0.190 ^{bc}	0.120 ^{cc}
	4.5%	0.224 ^{ab}	0.192 ^{bc}	0.164 ^{cd}	0.105 ^{dc}
Lettuce	CK	0.141 ^{aa}	0.145 ^{aa}	0.140 ^{aa}	0.134 ^{aa}
	0.9%	0.140 ^{aa}	0.129 ^{bb}	0.087 ^{cb}	0.057 ^{cb}
	2.7%	0.137 ^{aa}	0.123 ^{bb}	0.062 ^{cc}	0.025 ^{cc}
	4.5%	0.132 ^{aa}	0.110 ^{bc}	0.043 ^{cc}	0.015 ^{dc}
Banana	CK	0.331 ^{aa}	0.330 ^{aa}	0.334 ^{aa}	0.331 ^{aa}
	0.9%	0.331 ^{aa}	0.316 ^{bb}	0.311 ^{bb}	0.312 ^{bb}
	2.7%	0.328 ^{aa}	0.311 ^{bc}	0.282 ^{cc}	0.268 ^{cc}
	4.5%	0.325 ^{aa}	0.308 ^{bc}	0.271 ^{dc}	0.246 ^{cd}
Pitaya	CK	0.198 ^{aa}	0.192 ^{aa}	0.194 ^{aa}	0.197 ^{aa}
	0.9%	0.194 ^{aa}	0.183 ^{ba}	0.163 ^{cb}	0.153 ^{cb}
	2.7%	0.180 ^{ab}	0.156 ^{bb}	0.124 ^{cc}	0.109 ^{dc}
	4.5%	0.180 ^{ab}	0.148 ^{bb}	0.117 ^{cc}	0.073 ^{dd}

One-way ANVOD was performed using Duncan's method, with different first letters in the same row and different second letters in the same column indicating significant differences ($p < 0.05$).

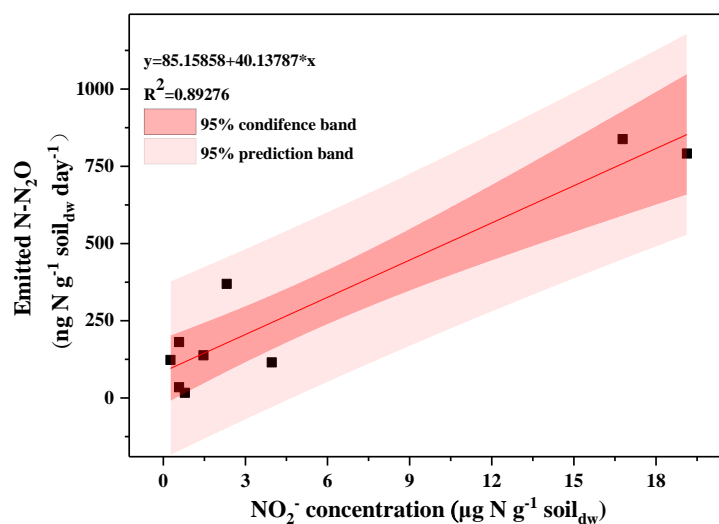


Figure S1. Correlation analysis between N_2O emission rate and NO_2^- concentration in microcosm experiment.

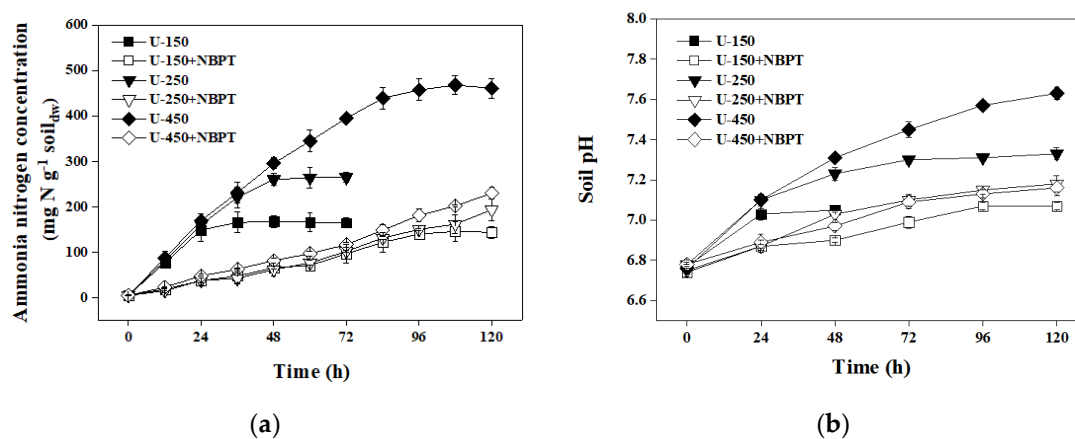


Figure S2. (a) Hydrolysis of urea; (b) changes of soil pH in microcosm. Hydrolysis reactions operated in soil microcosm with acetylene to inhibit AOM. The concentration of NBPT was $6.4 \mu\text{g g}^{-1} \text{ soil}_{\text{dw}}$.

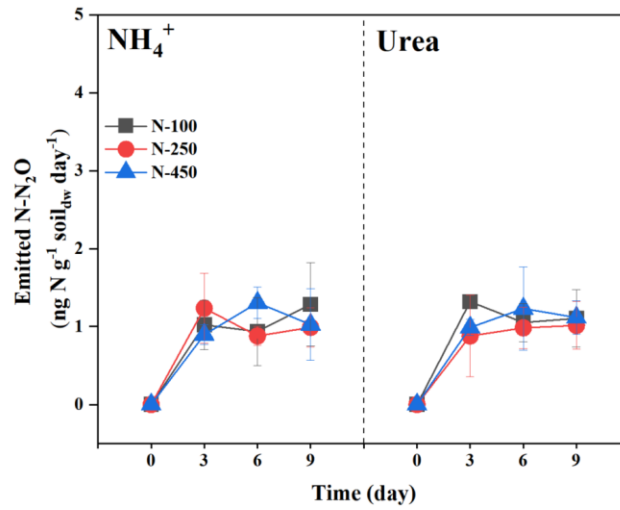


Figure S3. Changes of N_2O emission rate in second microcosm experiment with AOM inhibitor acetylene.

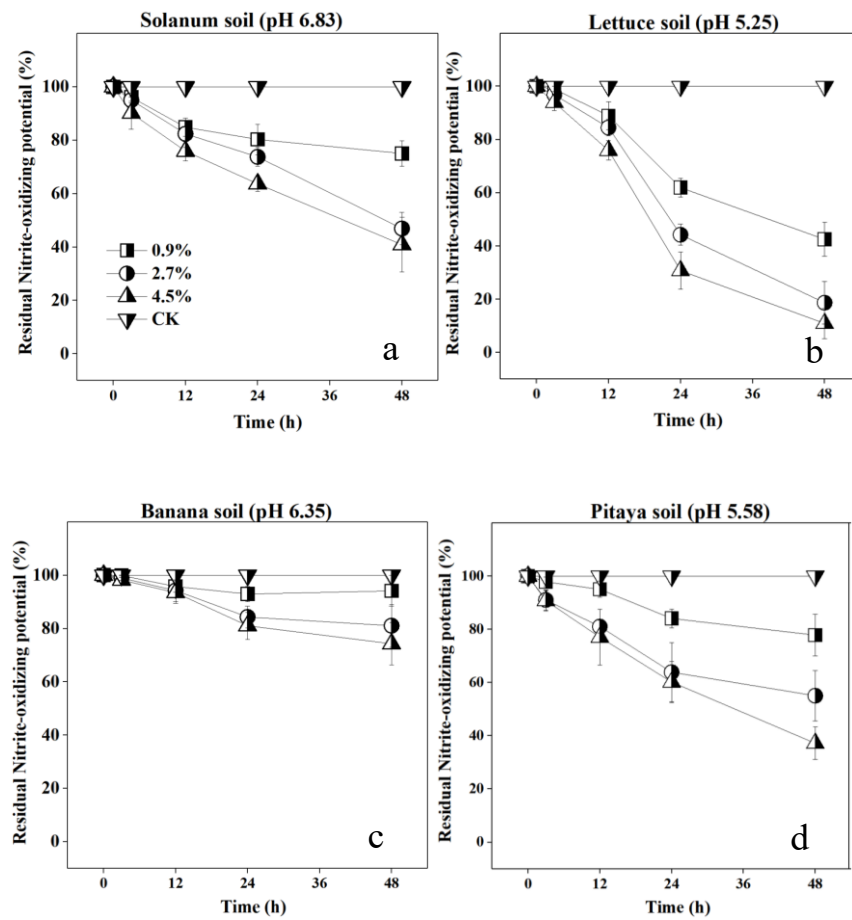


Figure S4. Time-series change of the residual nitrite-oxidizing potential in (a) solanum soil, (b) lettuce soil, (c) banana soils and (d) pitaya soil when responding to different concentration of FA. CK: without addition of FA.