Table 1Schematic description of the experimental design. Environmental characteristics of each experimental site, treatments (type of amendment, treatment details and code) and number of replicates (n)

Site	Amendment	Treatment	Code	n
Karrantza	No addition	Control	Ctrl	4
	Biochar	9 Mg C-biochar ha ⁻¹ + 0.8% of N	BC-I+N	4
P.radiata D.don (20yr)		9 Mg C-biochar ha ⁻¹	BC-I	4
Clayey loam soil		3 Mg C-biochar ha ⁻¹ + 0.8% of N	BC-L	4
280m MASL	Wood ash	1.2 Mg C in wood ash ha ⁻¹ + 0.8% of N	WA-I+N	4
mean T: 11.7°C		1.2 Mg C in wood ash ha ⁻¹	WA-I	4
annual rainfall: 1204mm		0.4 Mg C in wood ash ha ⁻¹	WA-L	4
Oiz	No addition	Control	Ctrl	4
	Biochar	9 Mg C-biochar ha ⁻¹ + 0.8% of N	BC-I+N	4
Q.pyrenaica Willd. (2yr)		18 Mg C-biochar ha ⁻¹	BC-H	4
Sandy loam soil		9 Mg C-biochar ha ⁻¹	BC-I	4
760m MASL	Wood Ash	1.2 Mg C in wood ash ha ⁻¹ + 0.8% of N	WA-I+N	4
mean T: 9.5°C		2.4 Mg C in wood ash ha ⁻¹	WA-H	4
annual rainfall: 1078.5mm		1.2 Mg C in wood ash ha ⁻¹	WA-I	4