



Figure S1. Dark net fluxes of O₂ (a, b, c), NH₄⁺ (d, e, f), PO₄³⁻ (g, h, i) at day 10, 17 and 40, respectively. Mean fluxes and standard error (n = 10 at day 10 and day 17 and n=5 at day 40) of each condition are reported. All fluxes are expressed in $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{h}^{-1}$ or mmol $\text{m}^{-2} \text{h}^{-1}$. White bars represent permanently submerged condition, grey bars represent dried conditions and hatched bars represent conditions with macrofauna.

Table S1. Summary of results of two-way ANOVA testing the effects of factors macrofauna and leaf size on benthic respiration (O_2) and nutrient fluxes (NH_4^+ , PO_4^{3-}) measured on day 10. Significant values are printed in bold.

	Df	O_2		NH_4^+		PO_4^{3-}	
		p-value	F value	p-value	F value	p-value	F value
Macrofauna	1	< 0.001	200	< 0.001	19	0.8	0.09
Leaf size	1	< 0.001	31	< 0.001	13.4	0.9	0.03
Macrofauna : leaf size	1	< 0.01	19	0.08	3.1	0.5	0.5
Residuals	36						

Table S2. Summary of results of two-way ANOVA testing the effects of factors macrofauna and leaf size on benthic respiration (O_2) and nutrient fluxes (NH_4^+ , PO_4^{3-}) measured on day 17. Significant values are printed in bold.

	Df	O_2		NH_4^+		PO_4^{3-}	
		p-value	F value	p-value	F value	p-value	F value
Macrofauna	1	< 0.001	87.8	< 0.01	12	0.1	2.2
Leaf size	1	< 0.01	11	< 0.05	5	0.98	0
Macrofauna : leaf size	1	0.3	1.2	0.2	2	0.6	0.2
Residuals	36						

Table S3. Summary of results of three-way ANOVA testing the effects of factors macrofauna, leaf size and drying on benthic respiration (O_2) and nutrient fluxes (NH_4^+ , PO_4^{3-}) measured on day 40. Significant values are printed in bold.

	Df	O_2		NH_4^+		PO_4^{3-}	
		p-value	F value	p-value	F value	p-value	F value
Macrofauna	1	0.8	0.06	0.09	3.1	0.6	0.3
Leaf size	1	<0.001	23.3	0.07	3.7	0.9	0.02
Drying	1	<0.01	10.2	<0.001	32.3	0.08	3.2
Macrofauna : leaf size	1	0.3	1.3	0.97	0.001	0.9	0.02
Macrofauna : drying	1	<0.05	6.6	<0.05	4.8	0.2	1.9
Drying : leaf size	1	0.1	2.6	0.1	3	0.9	0.01
Macrofauna : drying : leaf size	1	<0.05	4.3	0.4	0.7	0.8	0.04
Residuals	32						