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 - ☒ ☐ Estimates of effect sizes (e.g. Cohen's d, Pearson's r), indicating how they were calculated

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Software and code

Policy information about availability of computer code

Data collection	Data were compiled from open-access databases including Index Fungorum (http://www.indexfungorum.org), MycoBank (http://www.mycobank.org), the Global Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF; https://www.gbif.org), and the Mycological Specimen Portal (MyCoPortal; https://www.mycportal.org), as well as from taxonomic literature and specimen records.
Data analysis	All data preprocessing, statistical analyses, and visualizations were conducted in the R programming environment (version 4.5.2). The specific R packages used are listed as follows: Data imputation and multivariate analyses: The missMDA package was used for PCA-based missing value imputation, and the FactoMineR package was used for principal component analysis (PCA). Mixed-effects models: The lme4 package (version 1.1-35.1) was used for fitting linear mixed-effects models, with marginal and conditional R ² calculated using the MuMIn package (version 1.47.5). Categorical trait modeling: The base glm function was used for binomial logistic regression, with Firth's penalized likelihood correction applied via the logistf package (version 1.26.0). Model evaluation: The pROC package (version 1.18.5) was used to calculate the Area Under the Curve (AUC). Multiple testing correction: The base p.adjust function was used for Benjamini-Hochberg False Discovery Rate (FDR) correction. Data visualization: The ggplot2 package (version 3.4.4) was used for graphical visualizations. Other analyses, including Generalized Additive Models (GAMs), ensemble species distribution modeling (combining random forests, GAMs, and maximum entropy models), spatial autocorrelation analyses, and raster-based spatial extraction for environmental variables, were performed using standard R functions and custom scripts as detailed in the Methods section.

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N/A

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N/A

Population characteristics

N/A

Recruitment

N/A

Ethics oversight

N/A

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Ecological, evolutionary & environmental sciences study design

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Study description

We conducted a global macroecological study by synthesizing 26 functional traits (12 continuous and 14 categorical) across 7,454 wood-inhabiting fungal species. We integrated this trait database with approximately 4.58 million georeferenced occurrence records to investigate multidimensional trait trade-offs (the fungal economics spectrum) and environmental driving mechanisms. We further employed ensemble species distribution models to project future shifts in fungal functional traits under two climate scenarios (SSP1-2.6 and SSP5-8.5).

Research sample

The research sample comprises 7,454 valid wood-inhabiting macrofungi species within the class Agaricomycetes, representing 22 orders, 121 families, and 759 genera globally. The species checklist was constructed based on authoritative taxonomic systems (Index Fungorum and MycoBank). Occurrence records were sourced from global databases (GBIF, MyCoPortal) and extensive field surveys/specimen collections accumulated over the past three decades. The sample aims to represent the global functional diversity of wood-inhabiting fungi.

Sampling strategy

No statistical method was used to predetermine the sample size. Our sampling strategy aimed for comprehensive global coverage rather than a specific statistical power calculation. The sample size (7,454 species) was chosen because it represents a near-complete representative sampling at the order and family levels of known wood-inhabiting fungi, particularly including all major lineages involved in lignocellulose degradation. For geographic data, a sample-based rarefaction analysis was conducted across three latitudinal zones to ensure sample sizes met the robustness prerequisites for subsequent statistical analyses.

Data collection

Data were collected by the authors and team members. Trait data were extracted from taxonomic literature, mycological monographs, and scientific expedition reports. Distribution data were retrieved from GBIF and MyCoPortal using species scientific names and synonyms as keywords, alongside physical specimen records verified by morphological and molecular data. Environmental variables were derived from ERA5-Land climate reanalysis products and global DEM datasets.

Timing and spatial scale

Spatial scale: Global (covering latitudinal zones from 0° to 80°, with a particular focus on China for field surveys). Temporal scale: The compiled data and literature were published before June 2025. For future projections, baseline climate conditions were defined as 1970–2000, and future conditions as 2071–2100.

Data exclusions	For geographic occurrence records, exact duplicates were removed using gbifID. Records were filtered based on spatial extent, temporal validity, and coordinate completeness. Observations lacking precise coordinates were assigned the geometric centroid of their respective administrative or biogeographical unit. In trait analyses, trait matrices were filtered to remove variables with excessive missingness or near-zero variance prior to PCA imputation.
Reproducibility	To ensure reproducibility, all data sources (literature references, database IDs) are documented in the Appendix and Supplementary Tables. The R codes needed to reproduce the statistical results and figures are publicly available. The taxonomic statuses were cross-validated and dynamically updated using Index Fungorum and MycoBank.
Randomization	N/A
Blinding	N/A
Did the study involve field work?	☒ Yes ☐ No

Field work, collection and transport

Field conditions	Field surveys and specimen collections were conducted globally over the past three decades (with a particular focus on China) across diverse forest ecosystems. Because the records span a 30-year period and broad geographic gradients, specific micro-environmental parameters (e.g., exact temperature and rainfall at the time of each collection) were not uniformly recorded for all historical specimens. However, the spatial distribution records were subsequently linked to macro- and micro-environmental variables (e.g., annual precipitation, mean temperature, elevation, and LAI) derived from ERA5-Land climate reanalysis products and global DEM datasets for statistical analyses.
Location	The field surveys and specimen collections were conducted globally, with a primary focus on China. The distribution records span latitudinal zones from 0° to 80° (tropical-subtropical to boreal-polar). Detailed geographic coordinates (latitude and longitude) and elevation information for each verified specimen record are provided in the compiled occurrence dataset, which forms the basis of this study.
Access & import/export	Field surveys and specimen collections were conducted in accordance with local, national, and international regulations. Because this study is a macroecological synthesis, the vast majority of distribution records were compiled from public databases (e.g., GBIF, MyCoPortal) and published literature, rather than requiring physical transport of specimens to the analysis site. All specimens are deposited in the Fungal Herbarium of the Institute of Microbiology, Beijing Forestry University (BJFC, Beijing, China).
Disturbance	The field work involved non-destructive sampling (collecting fruiting bodies) of macrofungi. No significant disturbance to the habitats, forest ecosystems, or protected species occurred. Sampling was restricted to a minimal number of individuals required for taxonomic identification (morphological observation and molecular analysis), thereby minimizing any ecological impact on the local fungal populations and the surrounding environment.

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Materials & experimental systems

n/a	Involved in the study
☒	☐ Antibodies
☒	☐ Eukaryotic cell lines
☒	☐ Palaeontology and archaeology
☐	☒ Animals and other organisms
☐	☐ Clinical data
☒	☐ Dual use research of concern
☒	☐ Plants

Methods

n/a	Involved in the study
☒	☐ ChIP-seq
☒	☐ Flow cytometry
☒	☐ MRI-based neuroimaging

Animals and other research organisms

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Laboratory animals	N/A
Wild animals	N/A

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Field-collected samples	Field-collected samples consisted of fungal fruiting bodies (specimens). Specimens were collected using non-destructive methods and deposited in recognized fungaria/herbaria for morphological and molecular identification. No live animals were involved, and thus no housing, maintenance, or end-of-experiment protocols for animals were required.
Ethics oversight	N/A

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Clinical trial registration	N/A
Study protocol	N/A
Data collection	N/A
Outcomes	N/A

Plants

Seed stocks	N/A
Novel plant genotypes	N/A
Authentication	N/A