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| **Location 3a** | 12.44 | 78.39 | 51.6 | 0.001 |

Note. a. At this location, only 11 samples were collected.

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**Figure 1.** Map of the sampling area. Sampling sites are marked with filled symbols (2009) or empty symbols (2010). Isoclines are every 50 m elevation.

**Figure 2.** Mean value and (confidence interval) of the total inorganic Nitrogen (g kg -1) in the soil according to depth (mm).

**Figure 3.** Non-metric multidimensional scaling (MDS) plot of the different vegetation samples in 2008, 2009 and 2012. Stress index = 0.07.