



Figure 3. Mean soil cover for the four treatments. Cover categories included: added slash, litter (mainly leaves and small roots), mosses and two stone categories: lapilli (small spherical stones < 5 mm diameter) and stones (>5 mm). Vegetation was trimmed from the plots before measurements occurred. Downward error bars (one standard deviation) were removed for clarity. Abbreviations are: u, uncompacted; c, compacted; bare, bare soil; and slash, 60% slash cover added.