

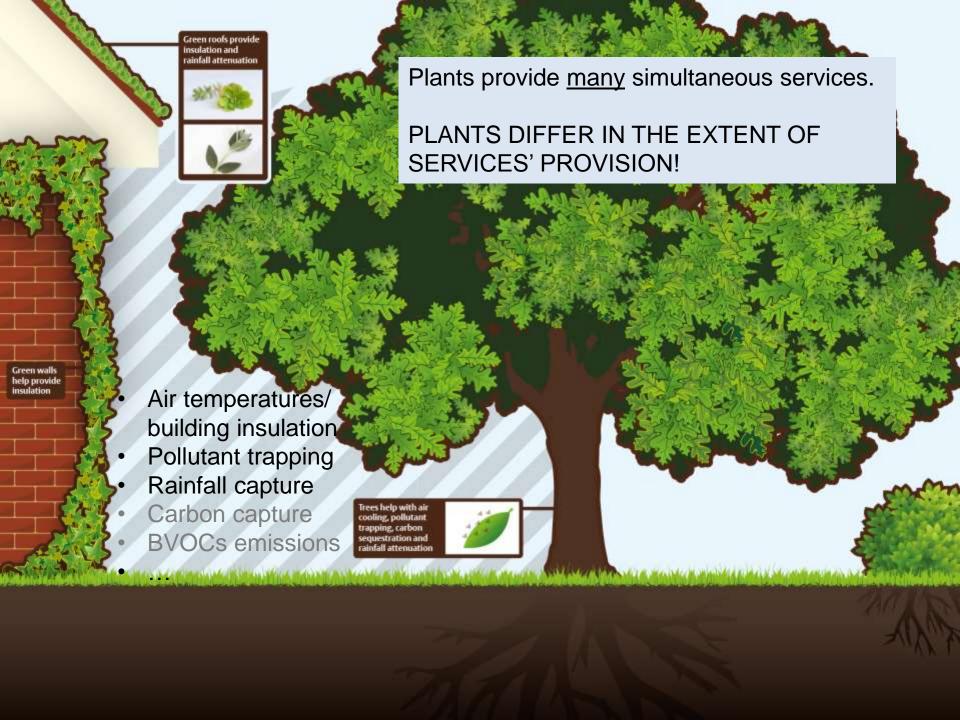






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## **Rainfall Experiments**

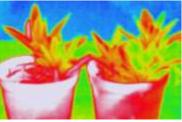


- Rainfall capture and retention
- Restoration of substrate water-holding capacity
- Canopy structure, root size, ETp rate

## **Greywater Experiments**



- Runoff water quality improvement
- Plant tolerance to greywater
- Leaf stomatal conductance, element uptake, runoff composition







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## **Species ranking**

Stormwater management
 Salvia, Stachys, Sedum/Heuchera

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Greater LAI and root system, greater volume of canopy, higher ETp rates correlate with better provision

- Greywater
  - No adverse affect on any species
  - Limited evidence of runoff water quality improvement with any species