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<sup>1</sup> Dr. Olga Ukhvatkina could not join this workshop because she was stuck in the field until the first day of this workshop, where the impact of typhoon hindered her from coming back to her institute in Vladivostok. Although she could not present her research during the workshop, we would like to share her research results with other participants through adding her ppt file in this proceeding.



# **I. Introduction**





## 1) Background

Forests in the Northeast Asian region are unique because of their diverse ecosystems and high biodiversity, and those ecosystems have not only stood at its dignity as itself but also provided essential and valuable services to human beings. Those forest ecosystems, however, has been under enormous pressure of deforestation and forest degradation, induced by both natural factors (i.e., climate change, fire, flood and drought) and anthropogenic factors (i.e., illegal logging, construction, land conversion for agriculture and over exploitation). Those deforestation and forest degradation have resulted in both environmental damages of soil erosion, land degradation and biodiversity loss and socioeconomic damages of insecure food, water and health, as well as the loss of cultural identity/dignity to the people. In order to mitigate and combat those emerging challenges, various levels of communities (i.e. community, domestic, regional and international) among various stakeholders (i.e. community leading group, university, research institute, government agency and international organizations) have been proceeded significant efforts for last decades.

In particular, together with international research communities, research group in forest ecology in the Northeast Asian region has contributed through conducting relatively large scale of plot-based integrated research investigating long-term responses of forest ecological dynamics to natural and human disturbances and environmental changes over broad spatial and temporal scales. Those forest dynamic plot research results have been useful in providing important information for forest structure and species composition as well as ethnobotanical data, understanding of species habitat requirements, and providing quantitative data for testing theories and hypothesis in population and community ecology. Moreover, the long-term data obtained by these forest dynamics researches over last 40 years has enabled the researchers to evaluate the nature and pace of ecological change, to interpret its effects, and to forecast the range of future biological responses to the changes through establishing relevant mid- and long-term plans in forest conservation, restoration and management, which had been unable to do only through short-term observations or experiments.

This workshop, co-organized by Northeast Forestry University and the IUFRO Working Party 1.01.13 and sponsored by Asia Pacific Association of Forestry Research Institutions (APAFRI) and National Institute of Forest Science (NIFoS) of the Republic of Korea, aims mainly at sharing knowledge and research experiences on Long-term Ecological Research (LTER) particularly in forest sector in the Northeast Asian region (i.e. China, Japan, Mongolia, Russia and Korea). As one of the series of annual workshop followed by the *2015 International Workshop on Long-term Ecological Research and Sustainable Forest Management in Northeast Asia* last year held in Yanji, China visiting the LTER site in Mt. Changbai and discussing the strategies on sustainable forest management, the 2016 workshop this year aims at discussing some lessons learnt and challenges while conducting the LTER researches as well as occurred in the practical field.

## 2) Objectives

The objectives of this workshop are:

- i. To establish and strengthen the cooperative network in forest LTER research in the regional level among the researchers in the Northeast Asian region;
- ii. To provide the platform through seminar to exchange the research experiences and results between senior and junior researchers on forest LTER research, and particularly strengthen the research capability of junior researchers in the Northeast Asian region;
- iii. To conduct in-depth discussion on the specific forest LTER case in the Northeast region in China through visiting the site; and
- iv. To contribute to the establishment of future strategies in the regional level on promoting forest ecological response and adaptation to the change caused by anthropogenic or natural factors, through assessment of forest ecological change and interpretation its effects.

## 3) Date/Venue

This workshop will be held on 20-24 September 2016, which consists of one-day seminar at the Meeting Room of School of Forestry, Northeast Forestry University in Harbin, Heilongjiang and two-day field trip to Liangshui National Reserve of Mt. Xiaoxing'an in Yichun, Heilongjiang, China.

## 4) Program

The workshop program by date is as follows:

Program	
<b>20 September</b>	
Arrival	
<b>21 September</b>	
<b>Seminar at the Northeast Forestry University</b>	
<b>Moderator: Dr. Ho Sang Kang</b>	
09:00-09:30	Registration
09:30-09:35	Welcome Address (Dr. Hee Moon Yang, NIFoS)
09:35-09:40	Congratulatory Remark (Dr. Heok-Choh Sim, APAFRI)
09:40-09:45	Congratulatory Remark (Prof. Fengri Li, NEFU)
09:45-10:00	Group Photo
10:00-10:30	<b>Presentation 1 (Prof. Zhili Liu, Northeast Forestry University, China)</b> Long-term ecological research progress for typical mixed broadleaved-Korean pine forest

10:30-11:00	<b>Presentation 2 (Mr. Hideki Mori, University of Tsukuba, Japan)</b> Liana distribution and community structure in an old-growth cool temperate forest of Japan - Case study in Ogawa Forest Reserve (OFR)
11:00-11:30	<b>Presentation 3 (Dr. Anna Vozmishcheva, Botanical Garden-Institute / Institute of Biology and Soil Sciences, Far East Branch, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia)</b> Spatial structure and dynamics of northern Korean Pine - broadleaved forests
11:30-13:30	Lunch
<b>Moderator: Dr. Heok-Choh Sim</b>	
13:30-14:00	<b>Presentation 4 (Prof. Byambasuren Oyunsanaa, National University of Mongolia, Mongolia)</b> Climate, wildfire and forest management issues in Mongolia (Need for Forest Long-term Ecological Research)
14:00-14:30	<b>Presentation 5 (Dr. Jung Hwa Chun, National Institute of Forest Science, Republic of Korea)</b> Korean forest long-term ecological research under changing climate
14:30-15:00	Wrap-up
<b>22 September (Field)</b>	
Arrival and visit to the LTER site at Liangshui National Reserve (9ha (300m x 300m) permanent plot in the mixed broadleaved-Korean pine forest established in the year of 2005)	
<b>23 September (Field)</b>	
Visit to the LTER site at Liangshui National Reserve and back to Harbin	
<b>24 September</b>	
Departure	

## 5) List of participants

No.	Country	Name	Gender	Position, Organization
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5		Mr. Yu Zhu	M	Doctoral Candidate, School of Forestry, Northeast Forestry University
6	Japan	Mr. Hideki Mori	M	Doctoral Candidate, Biosphere Resource Science and Technology Program, Graduate School of Life and Environmental Science, University of Tsukuba
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8	Russia	Dr. Anna Vozmishcheva	F	Researcher, Botanical Garden-Institute, Far Eastern Branch, Russia Academy of Sciences
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10		Dr. Jung Hwa Chun	M	Researcher, Forest Ecology Division, Forest Conservation Department, National Institute of Forest Science
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12		Ms. Miin Bang	F	Researcher, Seoul National University





## **II. Presentations**



# **1) Long-term ecological research progress for typical mixed broadleaved- Korean pine forest**

**Dr. Zhili Liu**

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# Long-term ecological research progress for typical mixed broadleaved-Korean pine forest

Northeast Forestry University  
Zhili Liu, Guangze Jin, Feingri Li

## Mixed broadleaved-Korean pine forest



- Zonal forest vegetation in eastern mountainous of northeast China, and a typical representative of temperate needle and broad-leaved mixed
- Rich in species diversity (including 114 National class I and II key protected animals)
- High biomass and productivity, large carbon storage, and plays an important role in maintaining the northeast ecological security

# MBKP was disturbed intensely by human

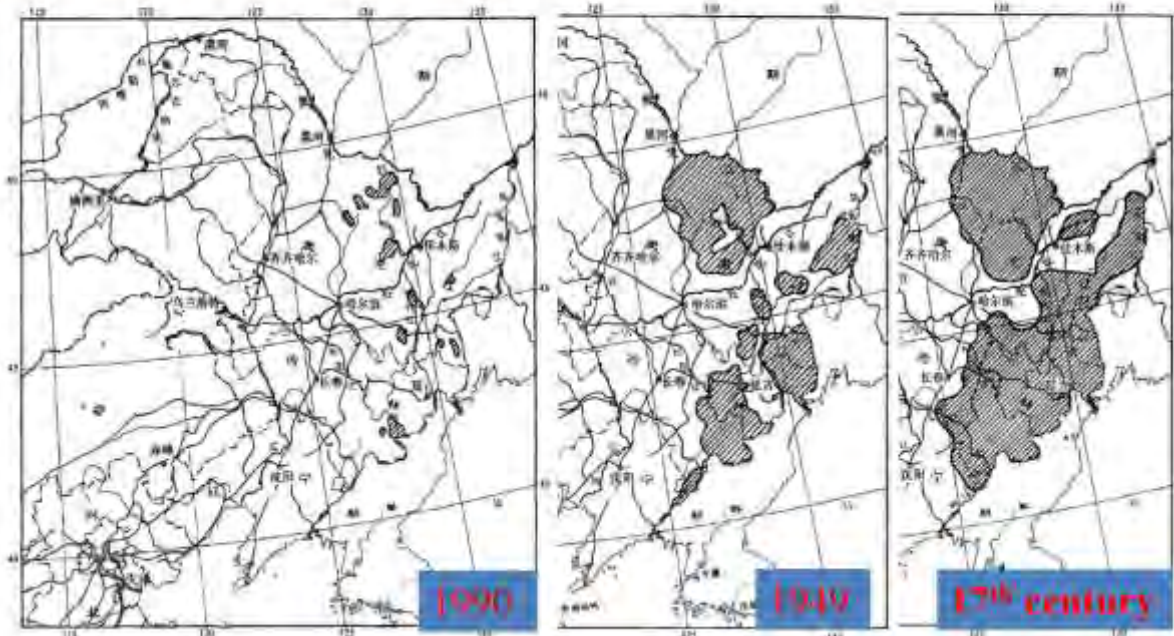
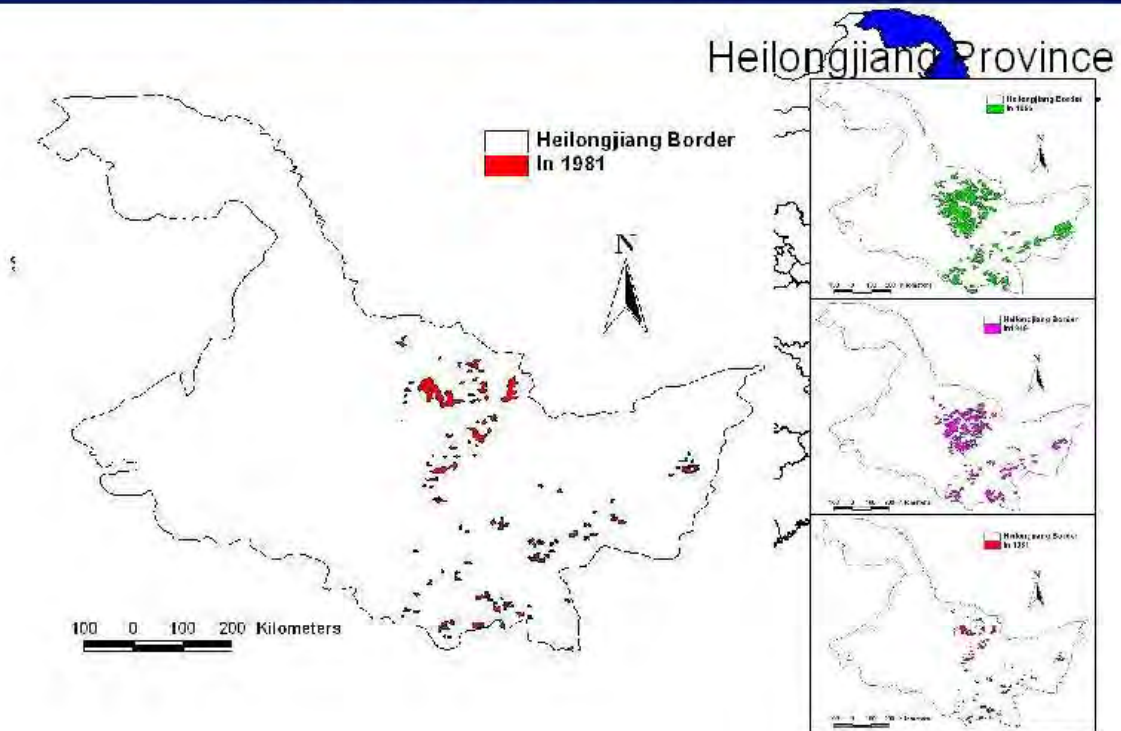


图 6-4 1990 年黑龙江省森林分布示意图 (黑龙省林业厅提供)

图 6-5 1949 年黑龙江省森林分布示意图 (黑龙省林业厅提供)

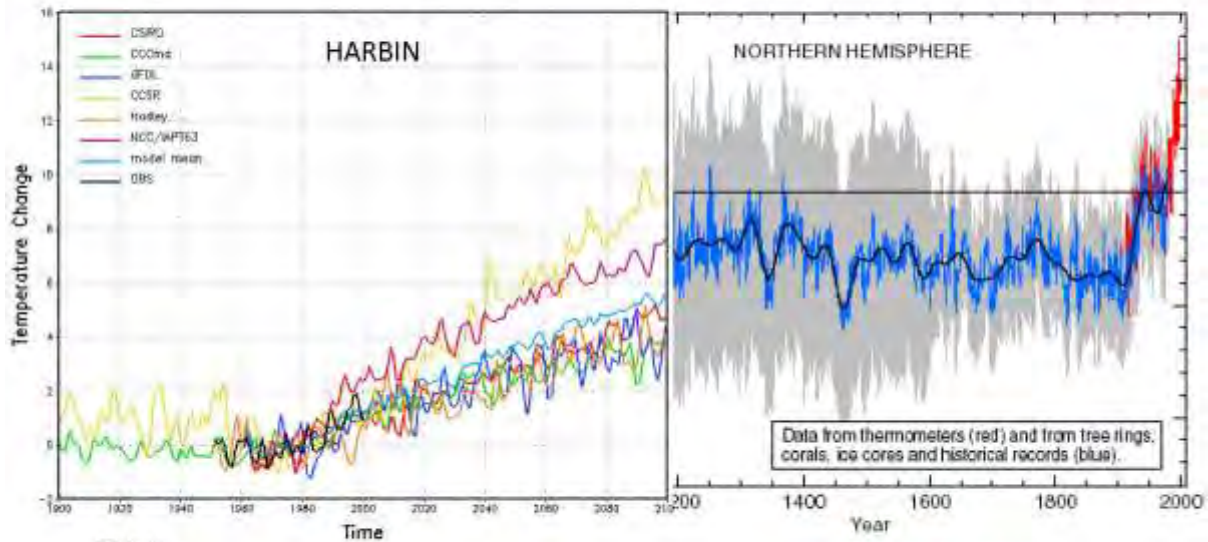
图 6-6 17 世纪黑龙江省森林分布示意图 (黑龙省林业厅提供)

# Human disturbance: forest area declined sharply in Heilongjiang Province





# Climate disturbance: Warming

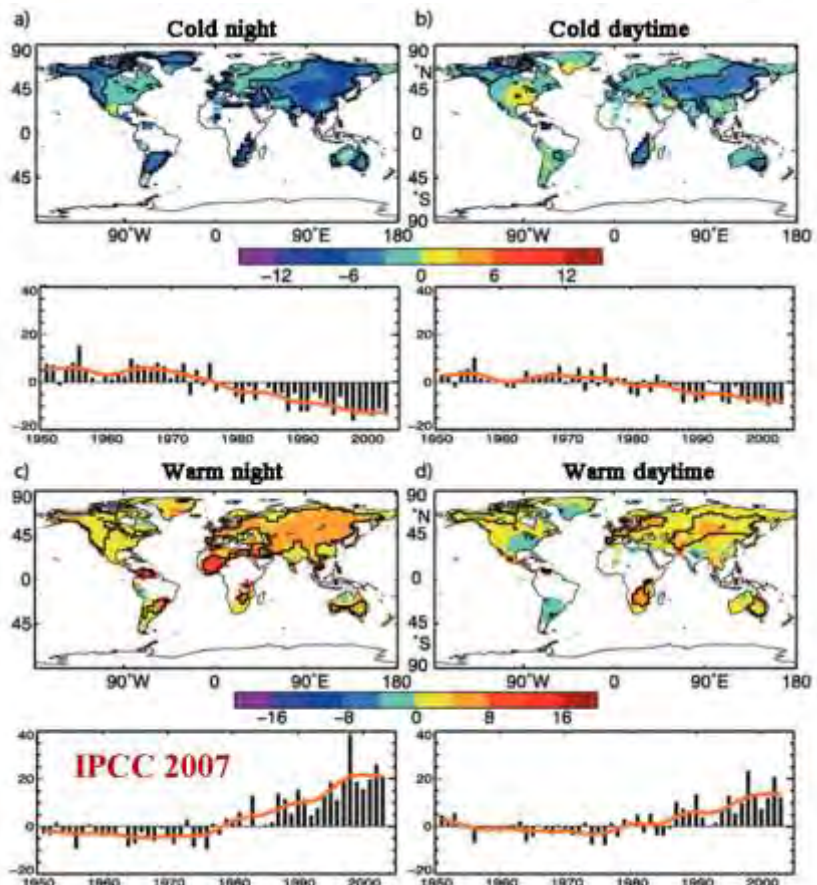


From <http://www.ipcc.cma.gov.cn/cn/Map/Sys/htm/temp160-011.htm>

From IPCC, 2001



**Climate disturbance:  
Heat waves,  
droughts, floods  
and cyclones  
extreme events  
increased**





## Study site: Liangshui National Reserve

### General information

- Area : 12,133ha
- Location : 47°10'N, 128°53'E
- Elevation : 280-707m
- Mean annual temperature : -0.3°C
- Mean annual precipitation : 676mm



### History of Liangshui National Nature Reserve

- ✓ In 1952, the second lumberyard for experiment bureau in Dailing;
- ✓ In 1958, northeast forestry school and developed experimental forest farm in Liangshui;
- ✓ In 1980, provincial natural reserve;
- ✓ In 1996, Chinese People and Biosphere Reserve Network;
- ✓ In 1997, national nature reserve;
- ✓ In 2006, national demonstration reserve.

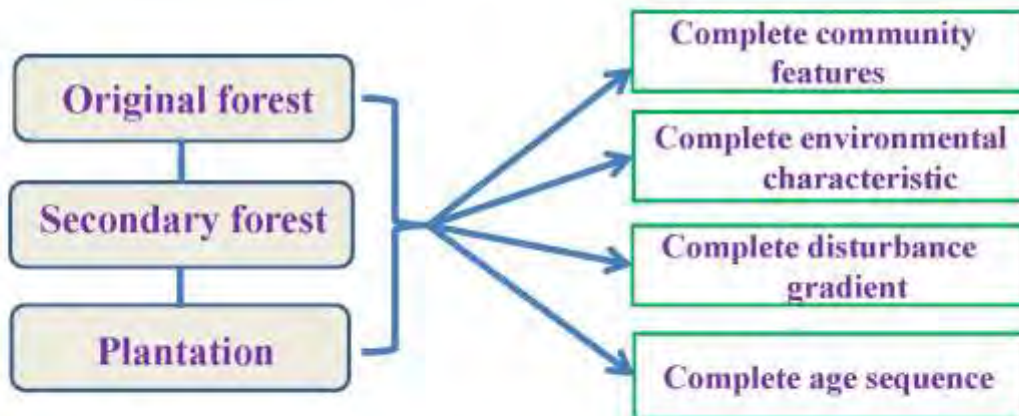




## Character of Liangshui National Nature Reserve

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(1)



It is an ideal site for studying comparative ecology in space-time



## Character of Liangshui National Nature Reserve

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- (2) Including different permanent plots for typical zonal vegetation and non-zonal vegetation, which lays a good foundation for studying ecology process and disturbance process.
- (3) The permafrost distribution and sensitive area of climate change, which making this site is suitable for exploring the impact of climate change on forest ecosystems.



### **Forest biodiversity monitoring plot**

Forest type	Area	Number	Setting time
Typical mixed broadleaved-Korean pine forest	300 m × 300 m	1	2005
Spruce-fir valley forest	380 m × 240 m	1	2006
Secondary birth forest	100 m × 100 m	1	2009
Typical mixed broadleaved-Korean pine forest	500 m × 600 m	1	2009



### **Forest ecological system function monitoring plot**

Forest type	Area	Number	Setting time
Typical mixed broadleaved-Korean pine forest	30 m × 20 m	3	2009
Spruce-fir valley forest	30 m × 20 m	3	2009
Selection forest	30 m × 20 m	3	2009
Secondary birth forest	30 m × 20 m	3	2009
Korean pine plantation	30 m × 20 m	3	2009
Dahurian larch plantation	30 m × 20 m	3	2009





## **Influence of N deposition on forest ecosystem monitoring plot**

<b>Forest type</b>	<b>Area</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Setting time</b>
<b>Typical mixed broadleaved-Korean pine forest</b>	<b>20 m × 20 m</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>Korean pine plantation</b>	<b>5 m × 20 m</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>2014</b>



**Mixed broadleaved-Korean pine forest**



**Spruce-fir valley forest**



**Secondary birch forest**



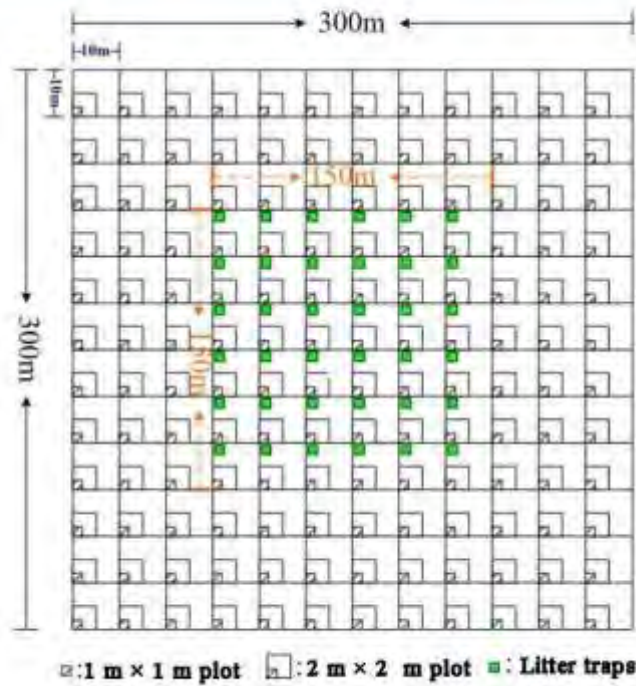
**Korean pine plantation**



**Dahurian larch plantation**



**Sampling design for mixed broadleaved-  
Korean pine forest**





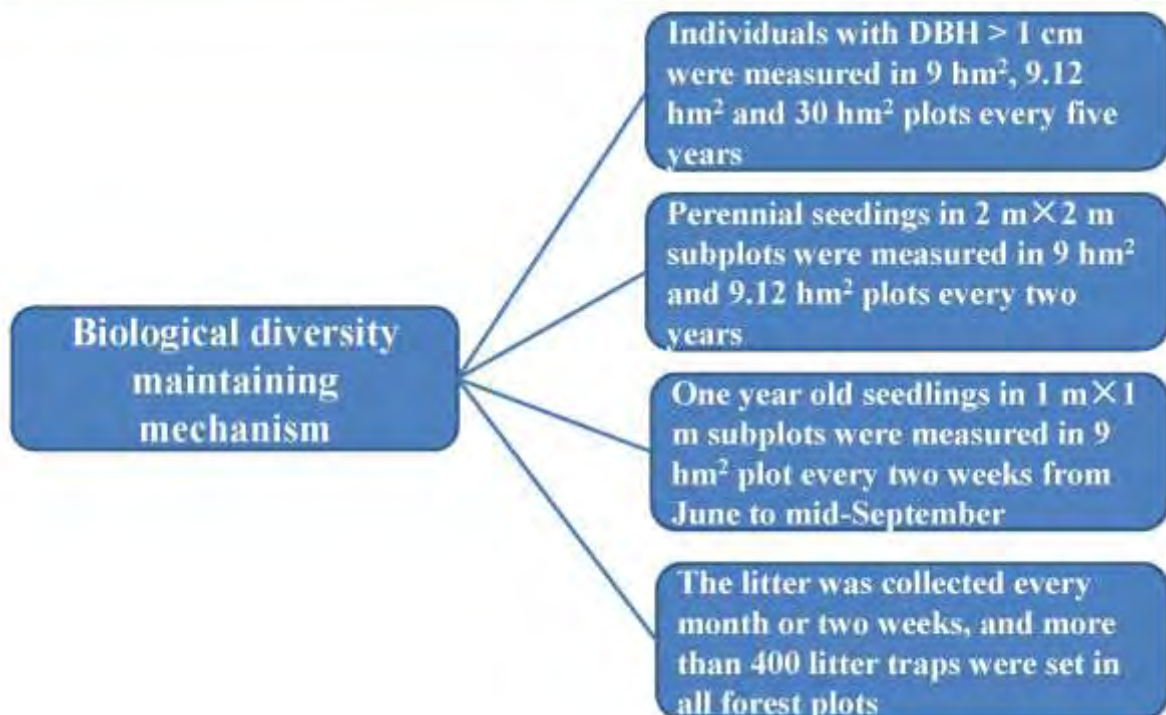


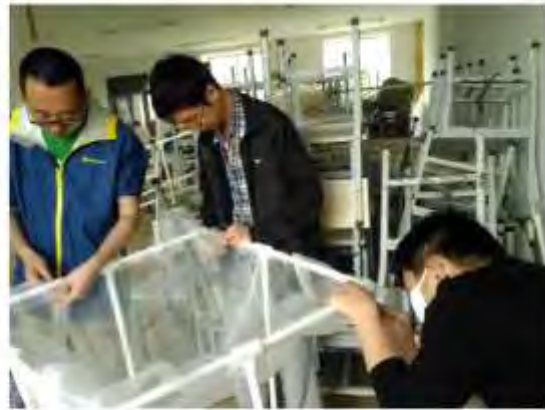
## Research contents

- 1 Biological diversity
- 2 Functional traits
- 3 Leaf area index
- 4 Soil respiration
- 5 Simulated N deposition



## Monitoring contents-I



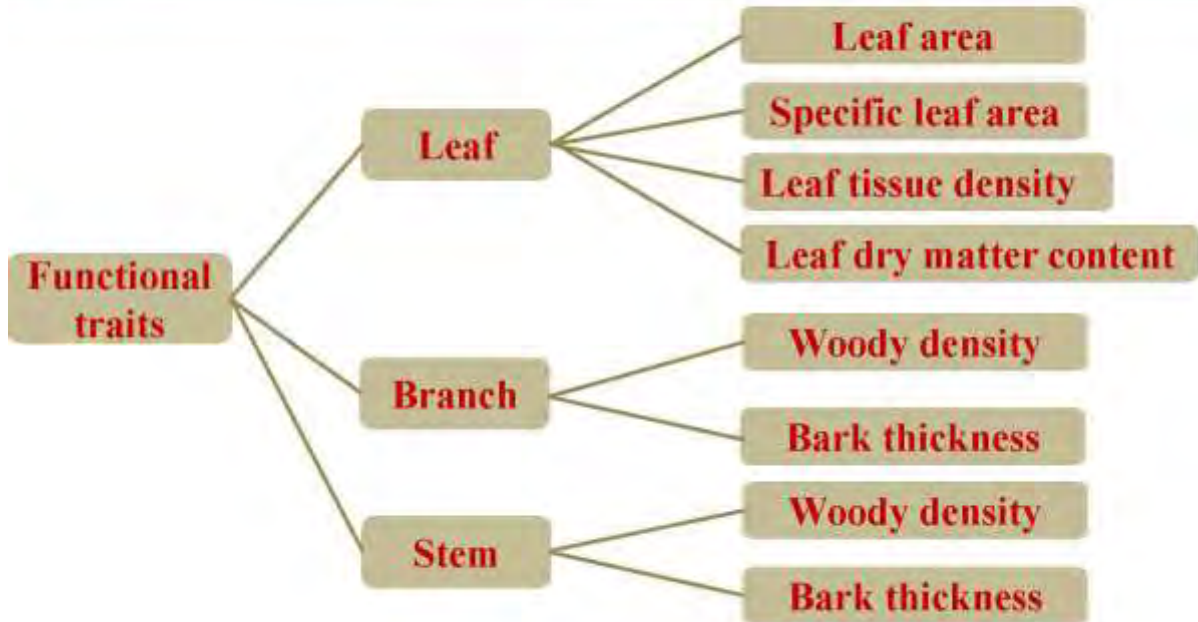








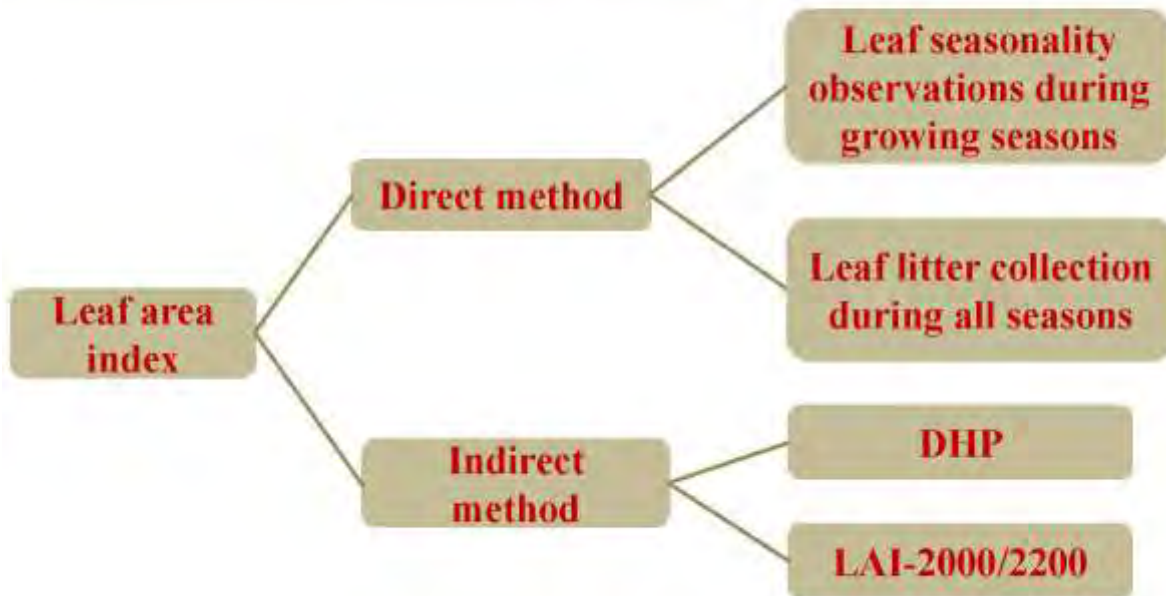
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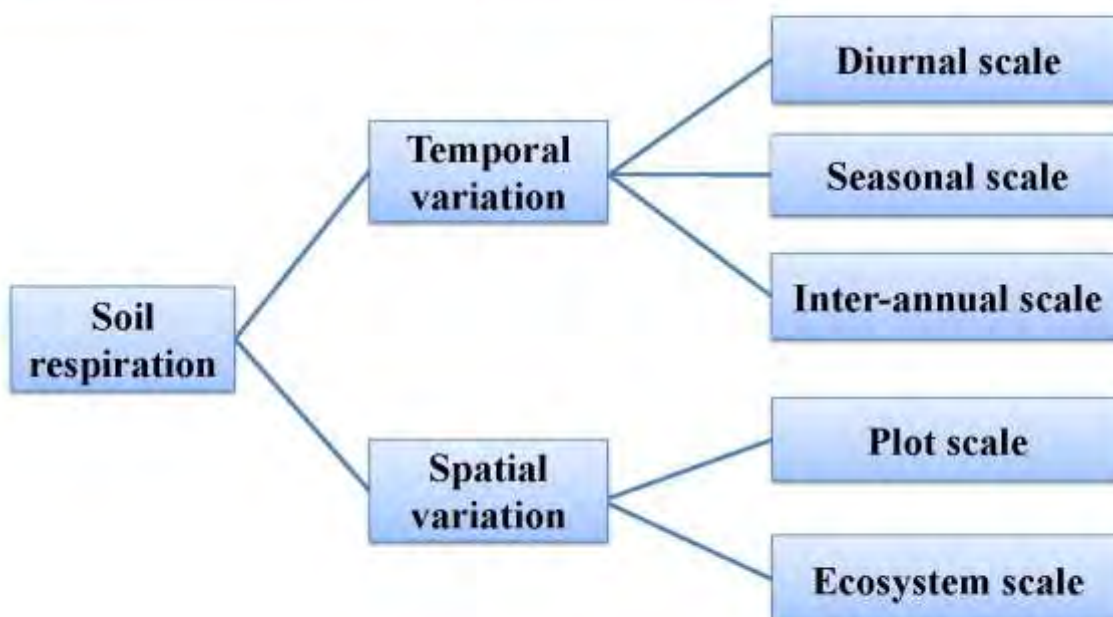


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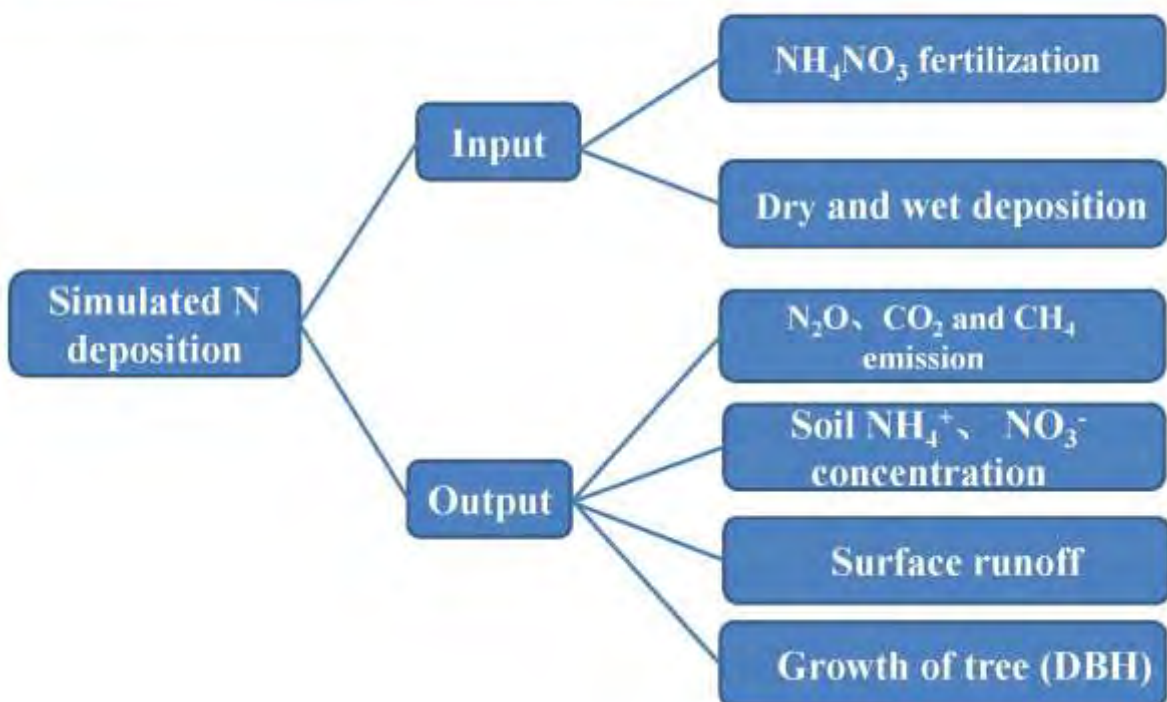


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## Monitoring contents- V





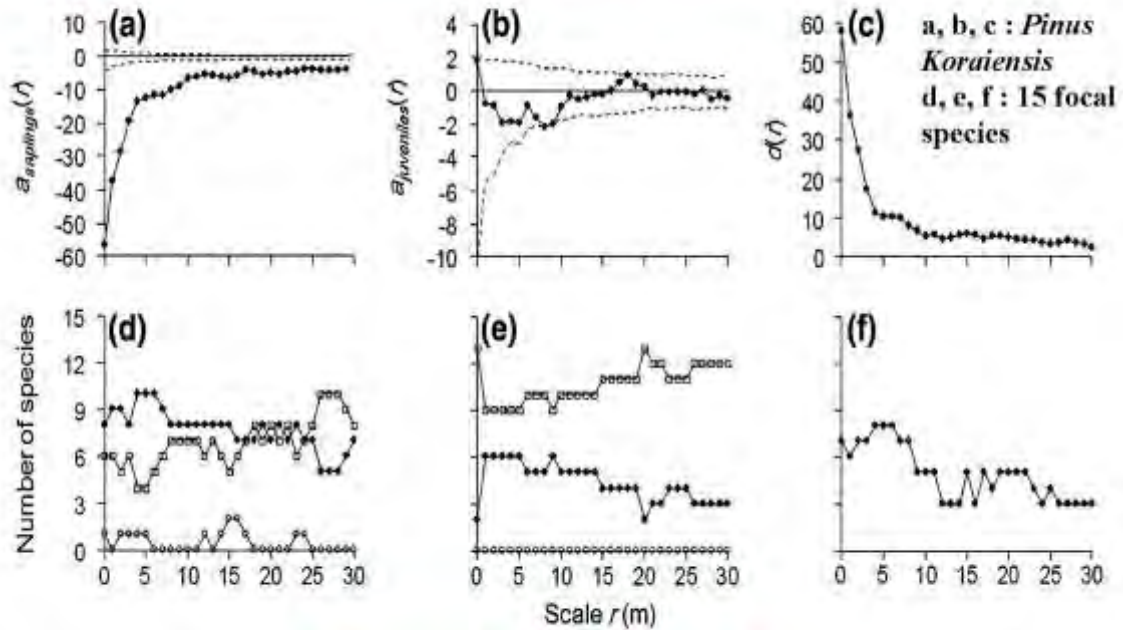




# **Important findings**

## **一、 Biological diversity maintaining mechanism**

## 1) Importance of negative density dependent in regulating multiple life-history stages in mixed broadleaved-Korean pine forest



Piao et al, 2013, *Oecologia*

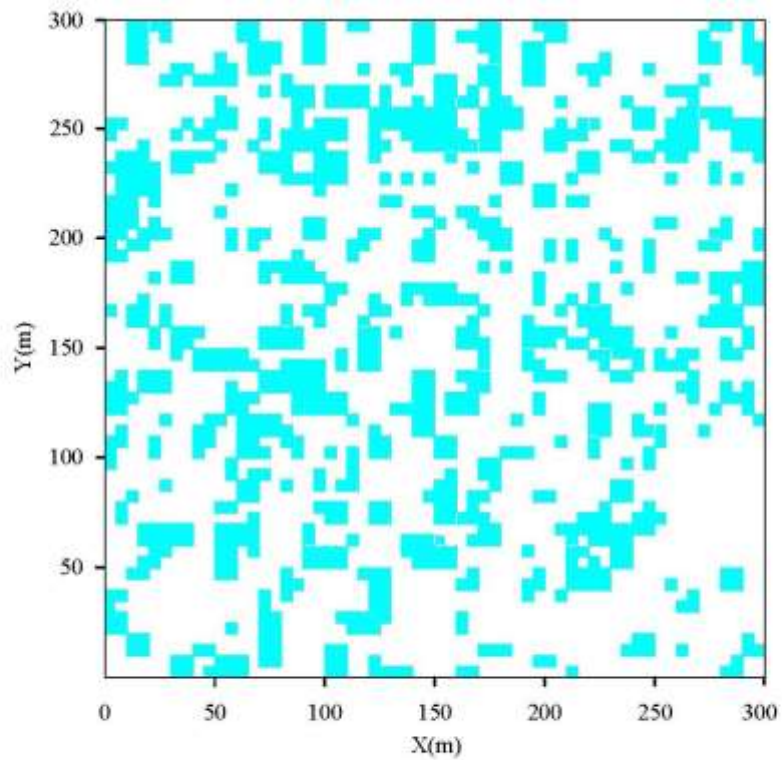


## 2) Effects of gaps on seedlings establishment in mixed broadleaved-Korean pine forest

### Successional cause

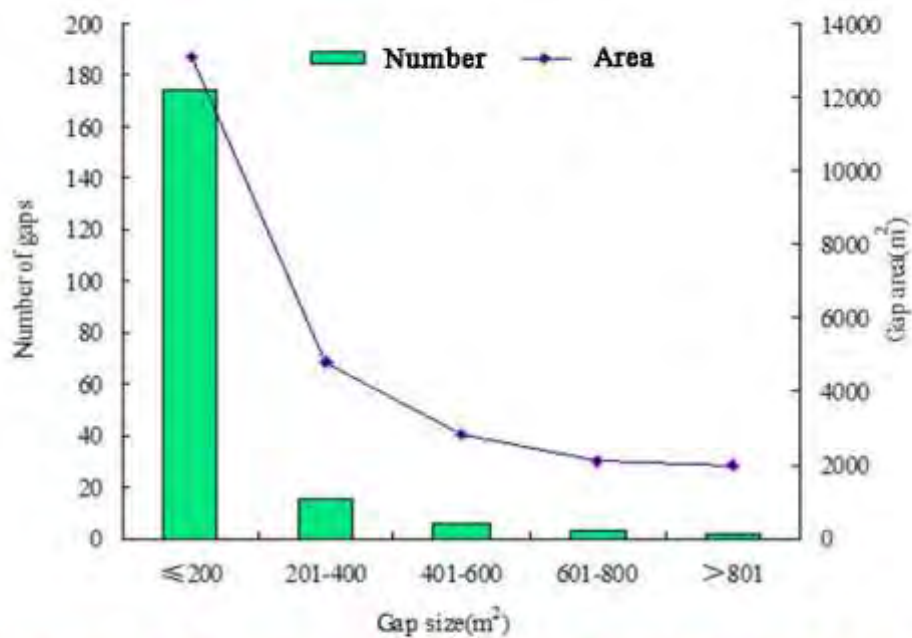
— Tree fall gaps



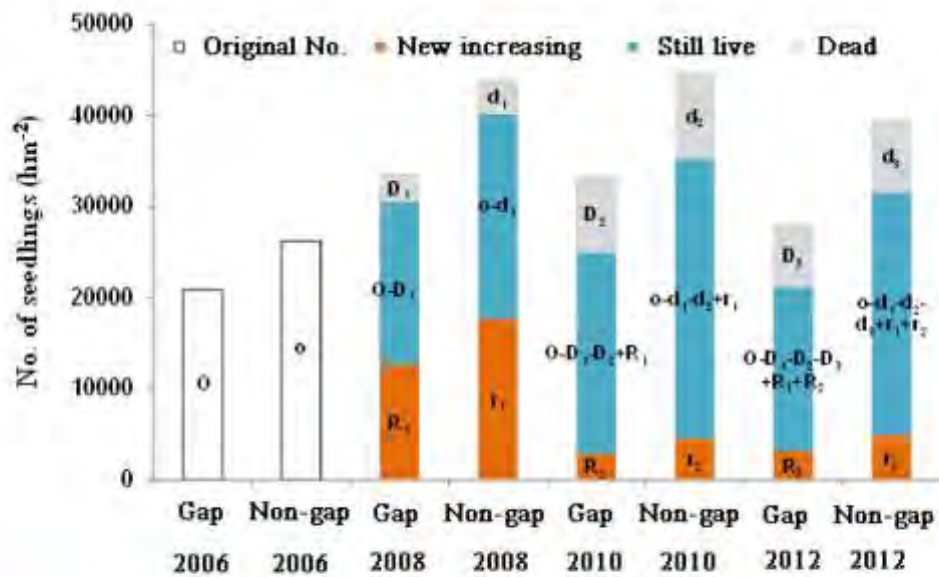


**Map of gaps in mixed broadleaved-Korean pine forest**

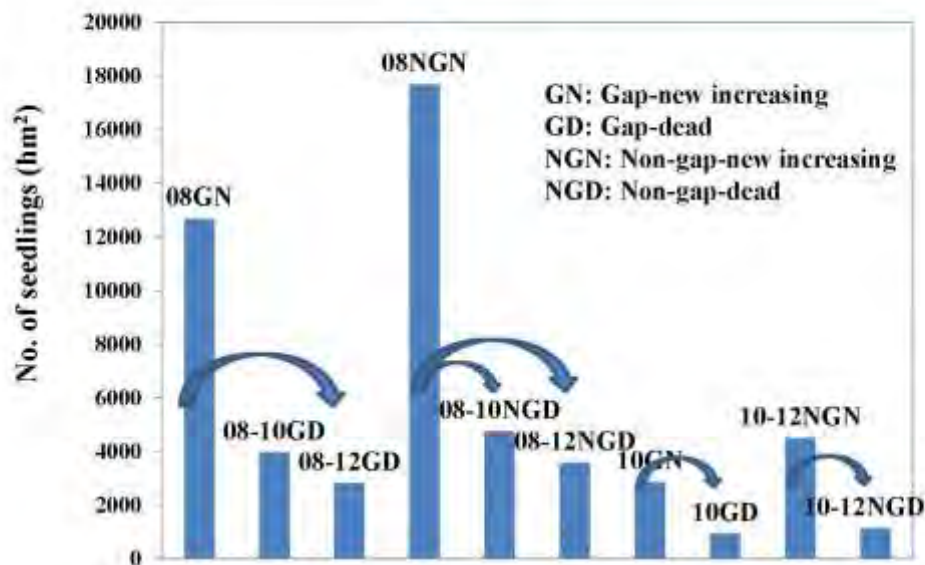
White: closed canopy; blue areas: canopy gaps



**Number and area of gaps in mixed broadleaved-Korean pine forest**



**Emergence and death of seedlings in gap and non-gap situation in 2006, 2008, 2010 and 2012 in mixed broadleaved-Korean pine forest**

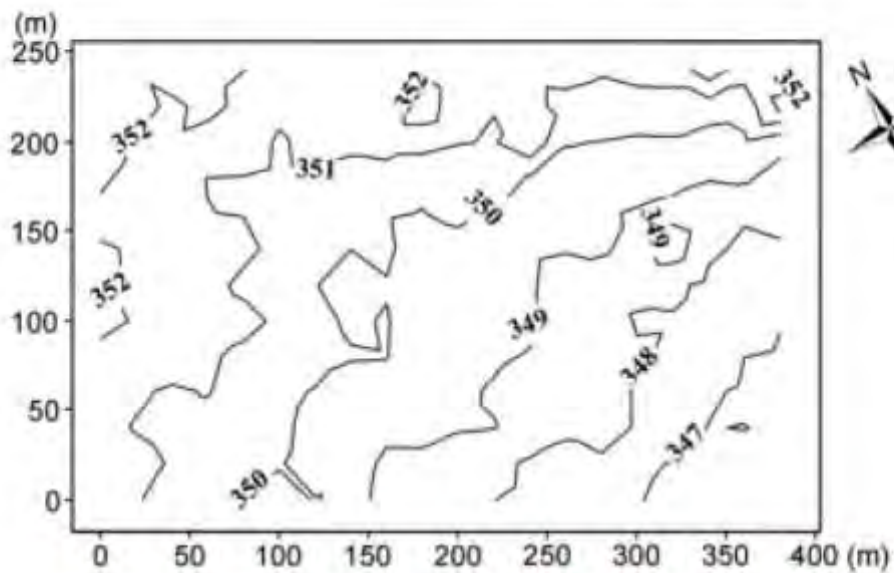


**Dynamics of number of seedlings in different years**

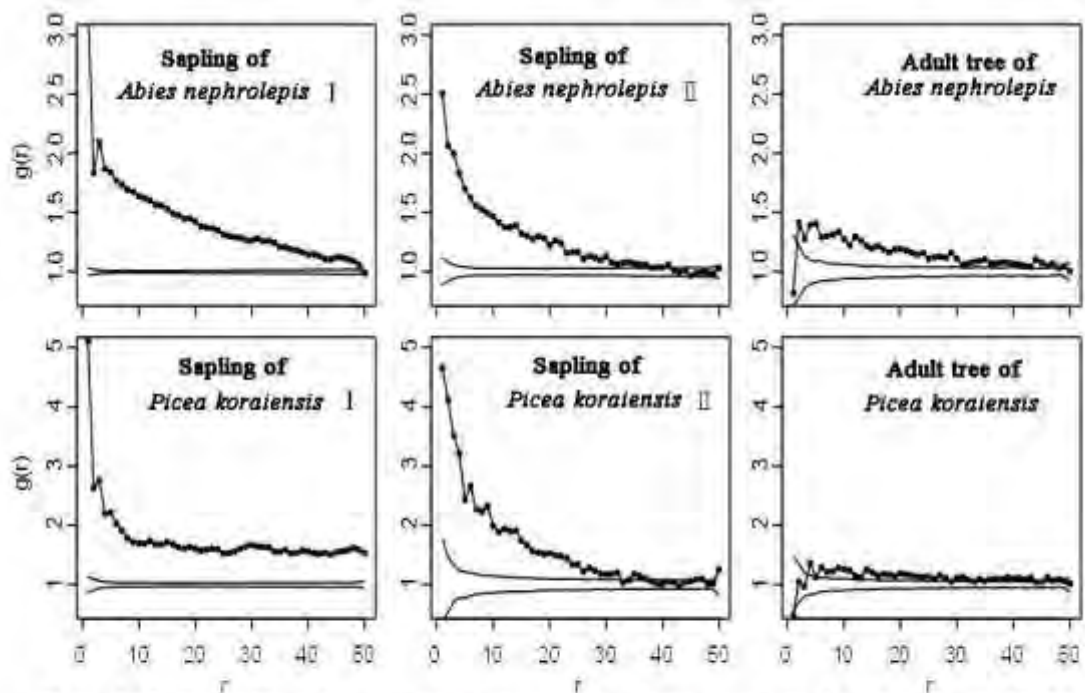
**Liu et al., 2014, *Chinese Science Bulletin***



### 3) Spatial distribution of major species in spruce-fir valley forest



**Topographic map of spruce-fir valley forest in the Xiaoxing'an Mountains, China**

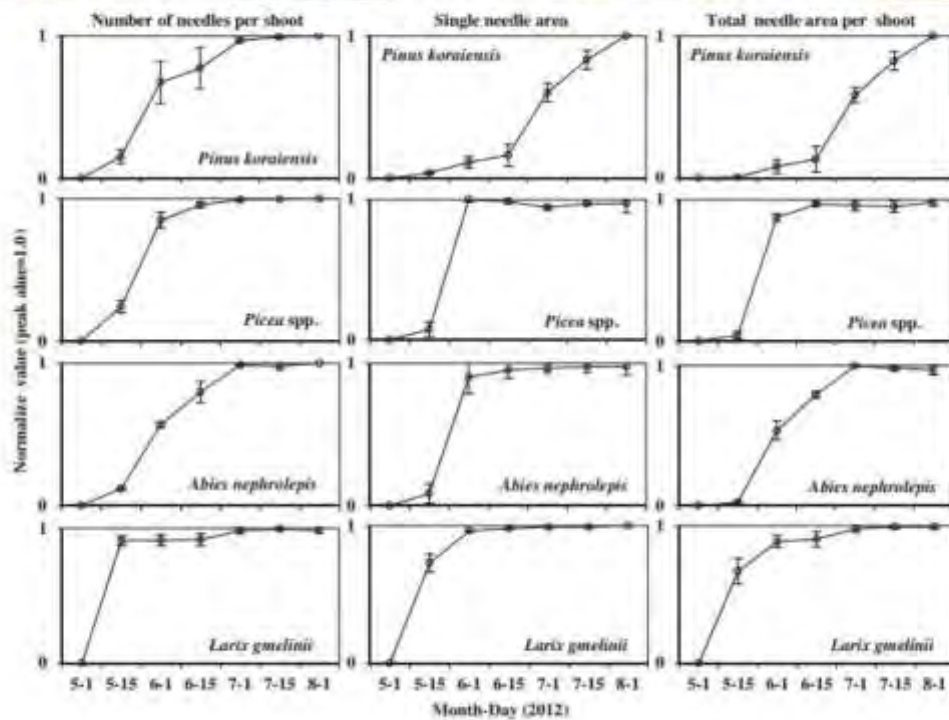
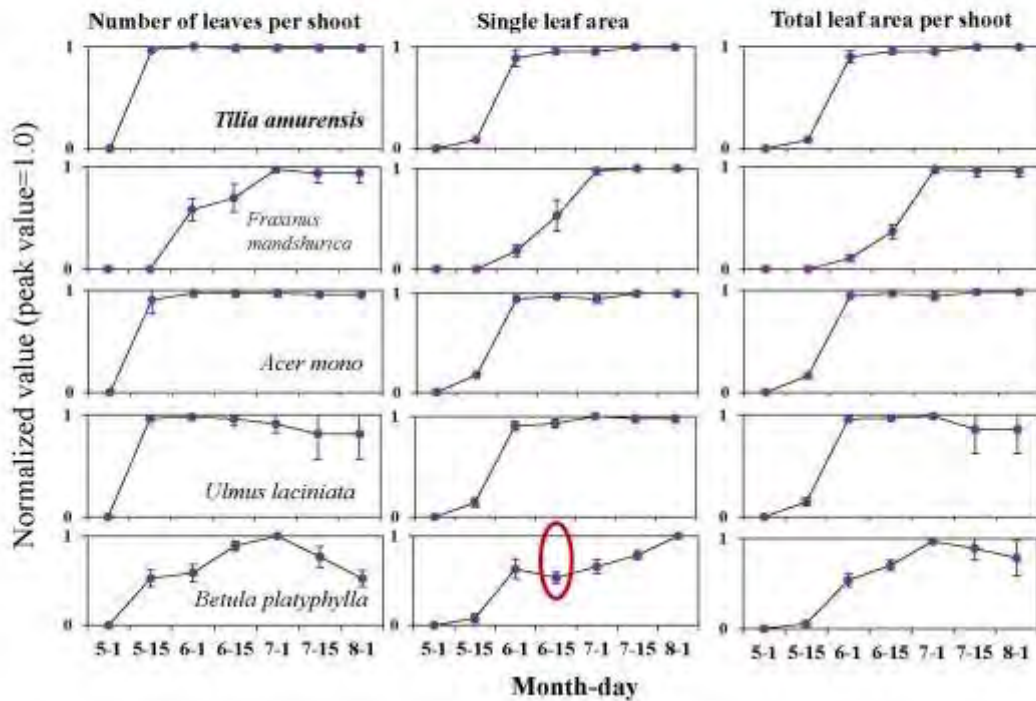


**Spatial distribution pattern of dominant species in three life history stages**

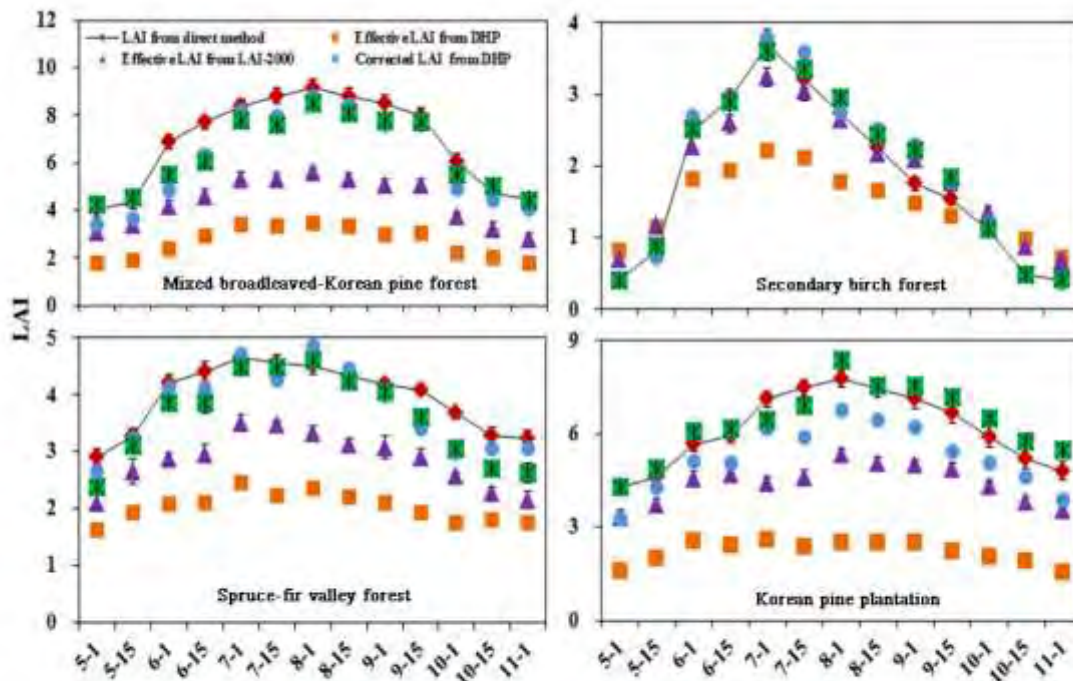
*Zhang et al., 2014, Chinese Science Bulletin*

## 二、 Ecological system function change

**1) Estimating seasonal variations of leaf area index using litterfall collection and optical methods in four mixed evergreen–deciduous forests**

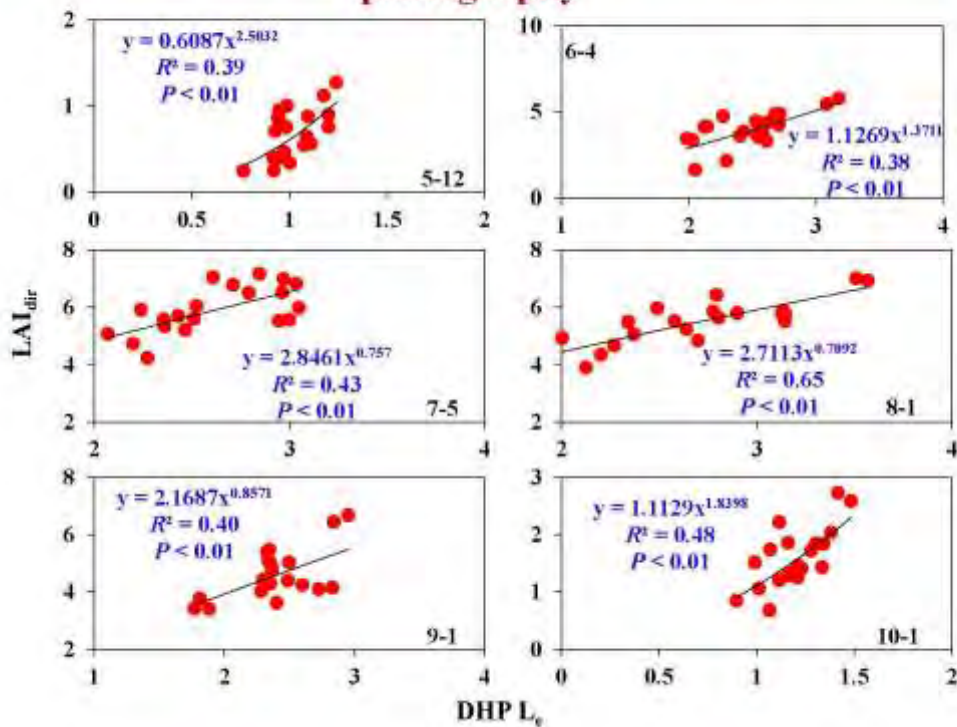




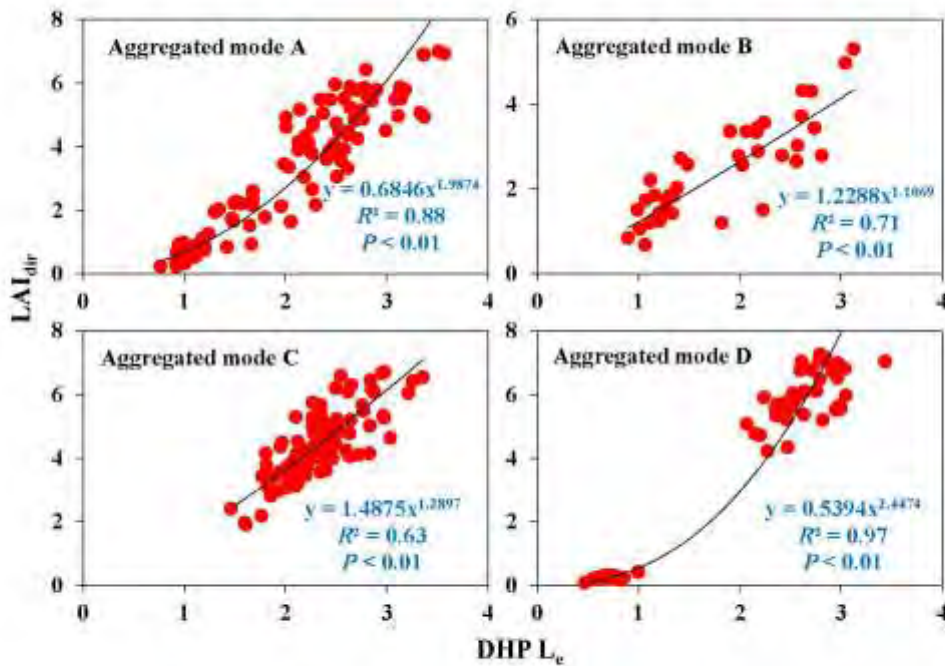


Liu et al, 2015, *Agricultural and Forest Meteorology*

## 2) Empirical models for tracing seasonal changes in leaf area index in deciduous broadleaf forests by digital hemispherical photography



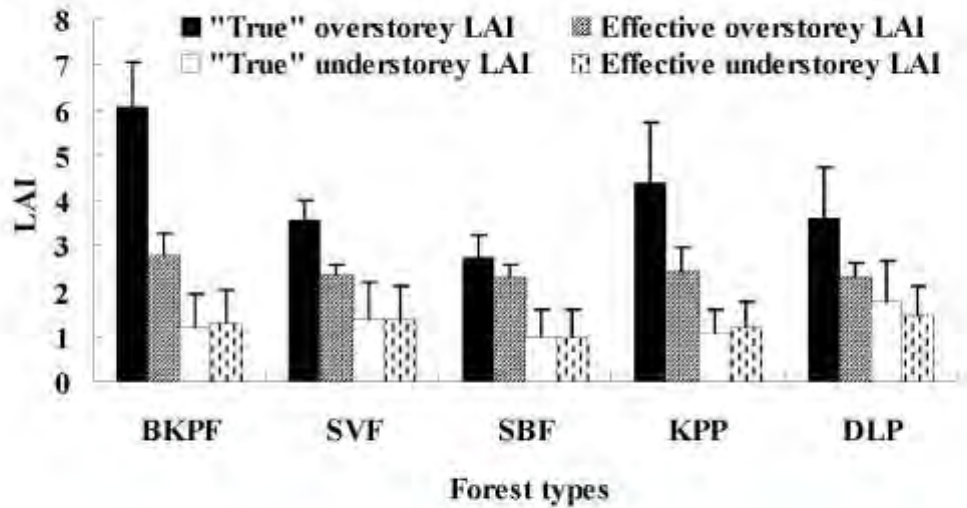




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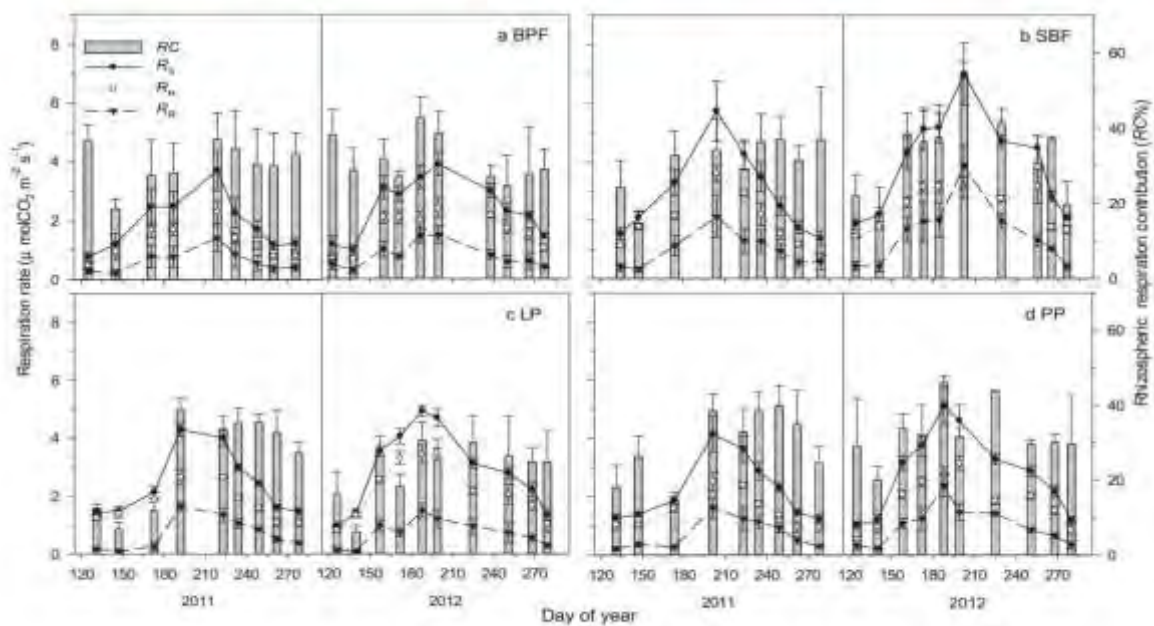
### 3) Impact of understorey on overstorey leaf area index estimation from optical remote sensing in five forest types in northeastern China

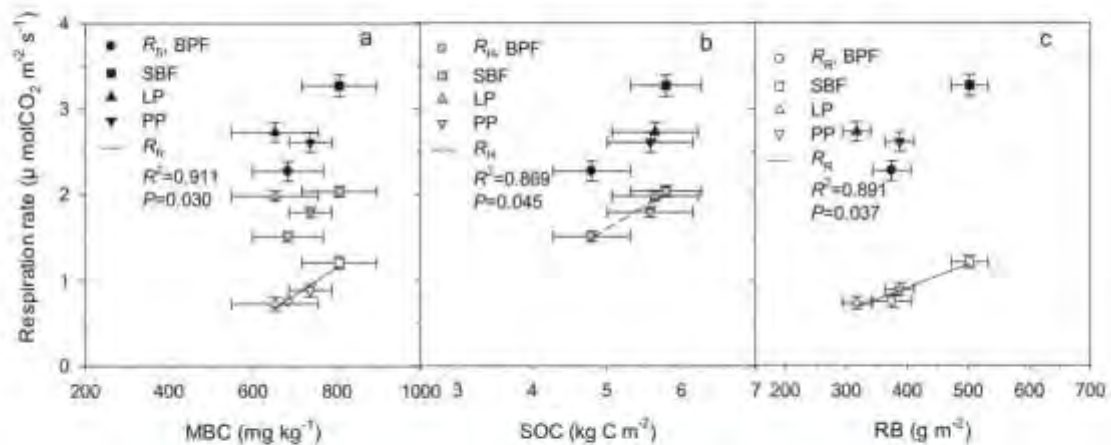




Qi et al, 2014, *Agricultural and Forest Meteorology*

#### 4) Effects on rhizospheric and heterotrophic respiration of conversion from primary forest to secondary forest and plantations in northeast China





Shi et al, 2015, *European Journal of Soil Biology*

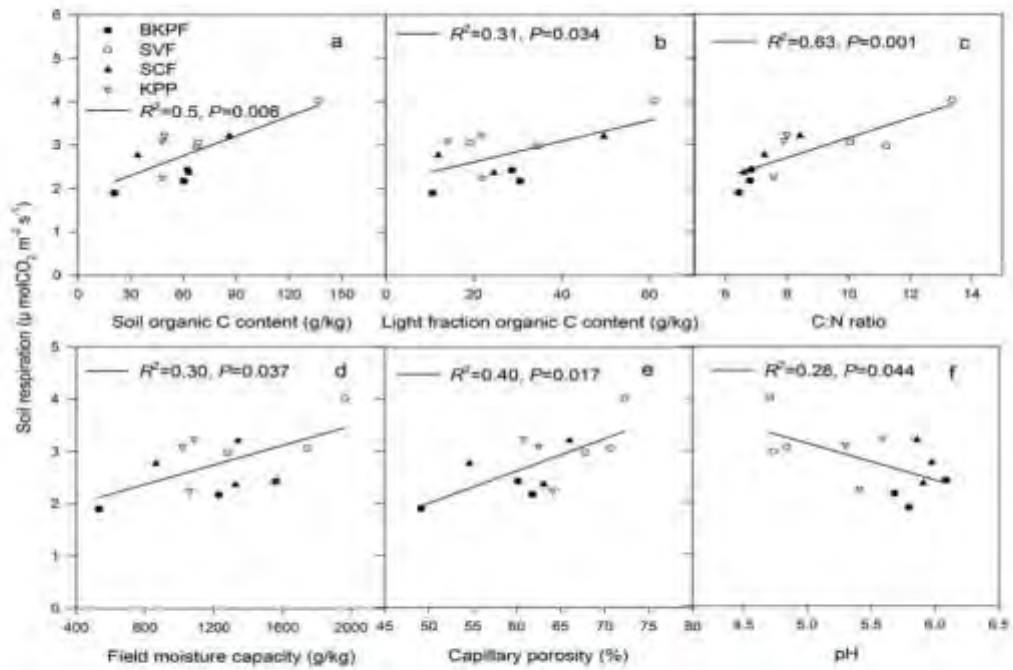
## 5) Variability of soil respiration at different spatial scales in temperate forests

**Table 4** Model coefficients for estimating soil respiration from individual collars using stand structural parameters and soil properties within a specific forest stand

Forest type	Parameters	$\beta$	Beta	$P$ value	Model $R^2$	Model-adjusted $R^2$
Mixed broad-leaved Korean pine forest	Constant	4.457		<0.001	0.72	0.69
	WFPS	-5.676	-0.711	<0.001		
	Mean $DBH_5$	0.177	0.364	0.019		
Spruce-fir valley forest	Constant	3.202		0.001	0.50	0.43
	SOC	0.011	0.507	0.016		
	Mean $DBH_8$	-0.199	-0.402	0.048		
Selective cutting of mixed broad-leaved Korean pine forest	Constant	-0.108		0.895	0.61	0.56
	C:N	0.339	0.525	0.008		
	$BA_4$	0.029	0.422	0.027		
Korean pine plantation	Constant	1.186		0.554	0.51	0.44
	Mean $DBH_5$	-0.129	-0.442	0.037		
	C:N	0.443	0.426	0.043		

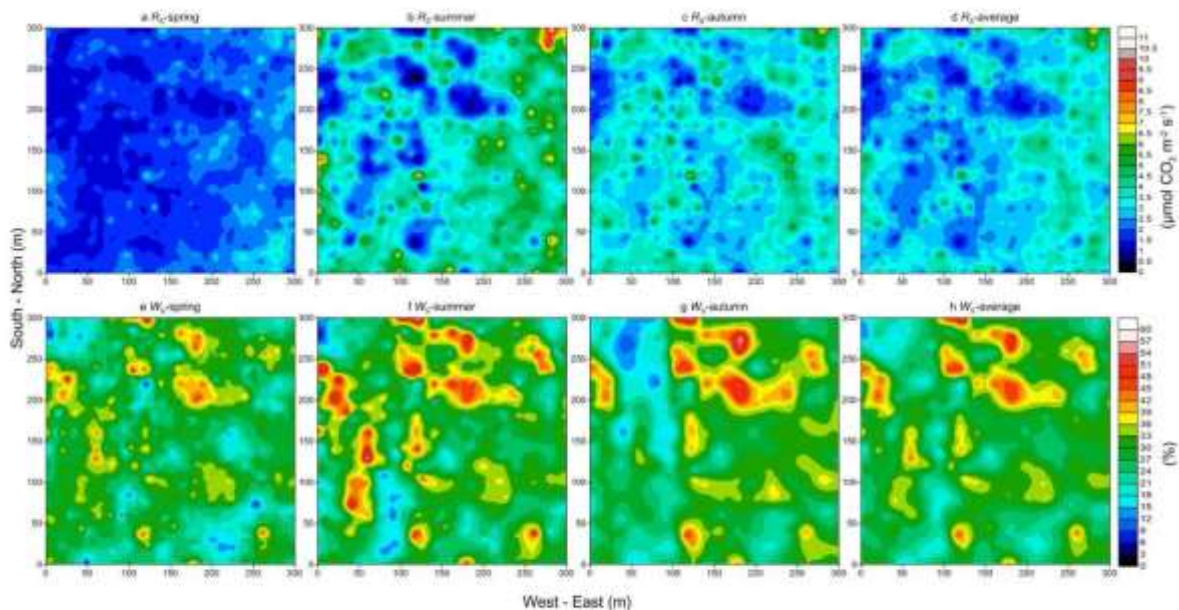
WFPS water-filled pore space, SOC soil organic C content, mean  $DBH_5$  and mean  $DBH_8$  mean DBH for trees within 5 and 8 m (radius) of the measurement collars,  $BA_4$  basal area for trees within 4 m (radius) of the measurement collars

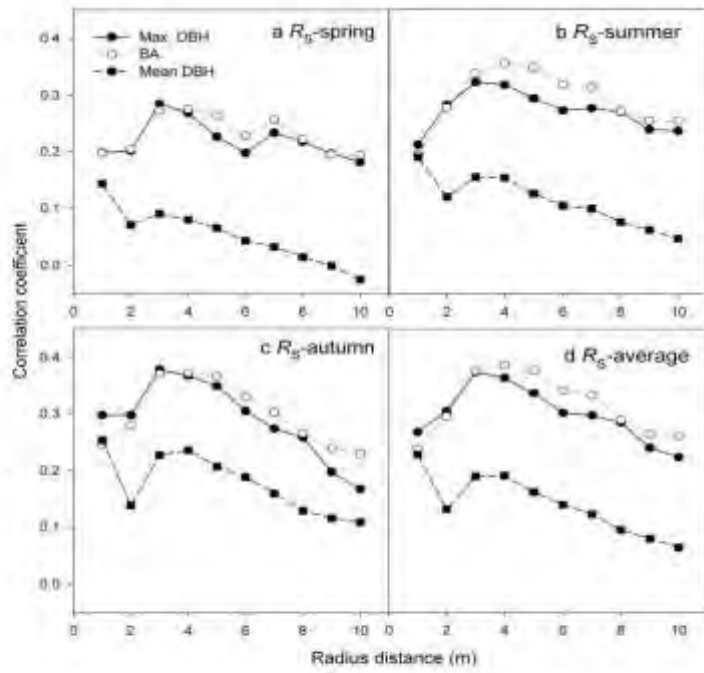




Shi et al, 2016, *Biology and Fertility of Soils*

## 6) Spatial variation of soil respiration is linked to the forest structure and soil parameters in an old-growth mixed broadleaved-Korean pine





Shi et al, 2016, *Plant and Soil*





## **2) Liana distribution and community structure in an old-growth cool temperate forest of Japan - Case study in Ogawa Forest Reserve (OFR)**

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LTER workshop, September 21th 2016,  
Northeast Forestry University, Harbin, China

## Liana distribution and community structure in an old-growth cool temperate forest of Japan —Case study in Ogawa Forest Reserve (OFR)—

Hideki MORI

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Biosphere Environmental Science and Technology

the first year of the doctoral program

### Study site: Ogawa Forest Reserve (OFR)



- LTER core site
- Old growth cool temperate forest (*Fagus crenata*, *Quercus serrata*)
- area: 6ha (300m × 200m)
- Tree inventory since 1987
- > 200 publications

Climate data (Mizugochi et al. 2002)

Annual precipitation	1910mm
Annual temperature	10.7°C
Elevation	610-660m



- Many people gather to conduct a tree inventory



Photo by Takashi Masaki



- Research station near OFR
- More than 190 people in total use this house in one year



## Introduction importance of lianas

### What are Lianas?

- Woody Vines
- Mechanically dependent
  - require “Host trees”
- Attachment to the ground
- “Climbers of the Forest”
- “Climbing plants”



Photo of dominant liana species in OFR (*Wisteria floribunda*)

## Introduction importance of lianas

Substantial contribution to tropical and temperate forest dynamics, diversity, management and forest ecosystem function (Schnitzer et al. 2015)

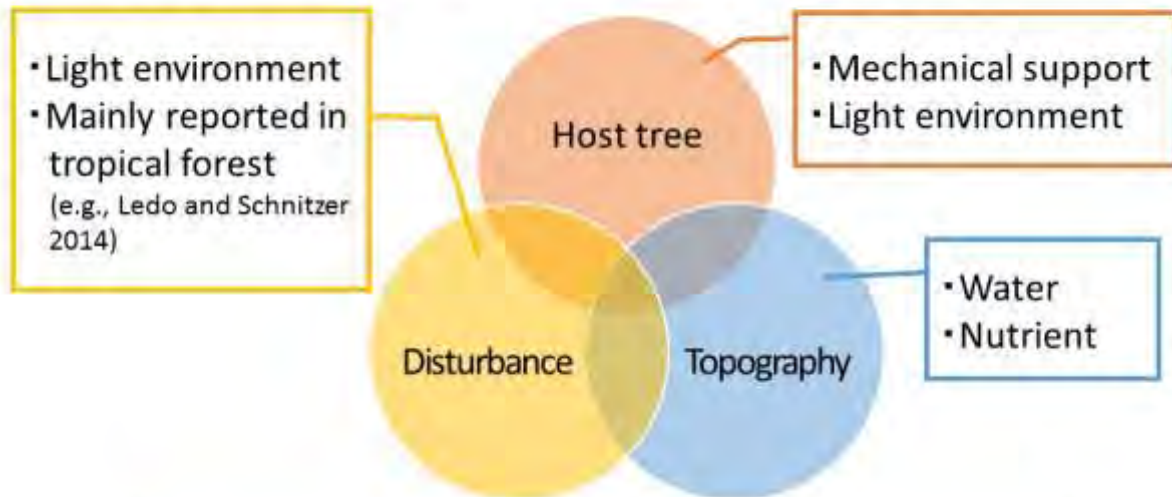


Negative effects on host trees (Schnitzer et al. 2002)

- ▶ suppress tree growth in gap
- ▶ increase of host tree mortality

## Introduction Spatial distribution of lianas

There are mainly three factors which determine liana distribution



It is important to evaluate liana distribution from host trees, disturbances and topography

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**Table 5** Summary of the best models to explain liana distribution

Species	Climbing types	Class	Host tree conditions		Microsite characteristics					SAC <sup>a</sup>		
			Host size	Shade tolerance	Slope	Soil water	Micro-scale habitat					
							Head hollow	Upper slope	Lower slope		Flood terrace	River bed
<i>Wisteria floribunda</i>	ST	Small	---								***	
		Large	+++	--							**	
<i>Euonymus fortunei</i>	RC	Small	+++	--							***	
<i>Schizophragma hydrangeoides</i>	RC	Small	+++	+	--						*	
		Large	+++									
<i>Hydrangea petiolaris</i>	RC	Small	+								*	
<i>Rhus ambigu</i>	RC	Small	++	-								
		Large	++	-								
<i>Vitis coignetiae</i>	TC	Large	+									

The abbreviations for the climbing types are provided in Table 1

<sup>a</sup> SAC, spatial autocorrelation; significance is indicated by asterisks. Plus and minus symbols indicate positive and negative coefficients, respectively, for the corresponding variables

+, -, \*  $p < 0.05$ ; ++, --, \*\*  $p < 0.01$ ; +++, ---, \*\*\*  $p < 0.001$ .

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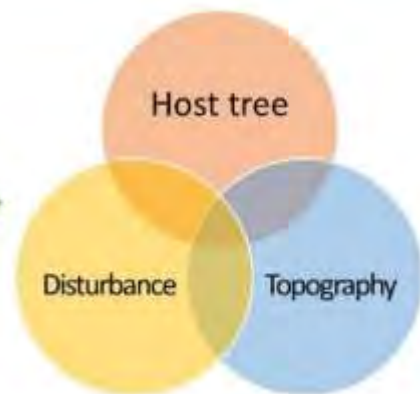
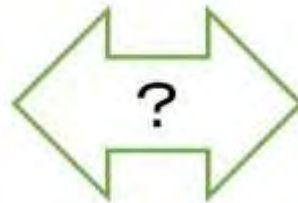
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- **New questions:**
  - a. **Tree architecture?**
  - b. **Small-scale disturbance?**



# Aims

To clarify the factors which determine liana distribution  
in a cool temperate forest

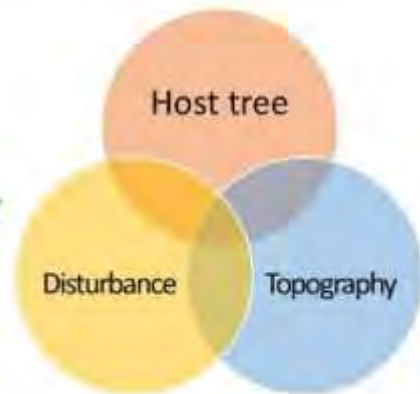
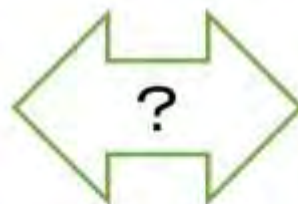
- 1) Clarify liana spatial distribution
- 2) Evaluate the effects of host trees, disturbances and topography on liana distribution



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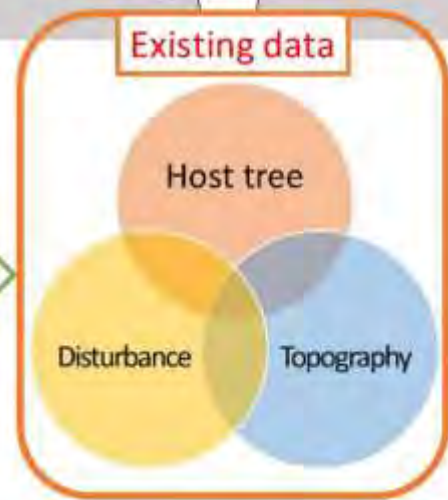
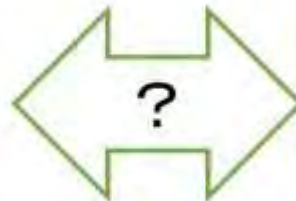




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## Methods Existing data(1): Tree inventory

Tree inventory data in OFR 6-ha plot since 1987

Species name, DBH and location for trees (DBH > 5cm) are surveyed



Additional tree inventory for trees ( $5 > \text{DBH} \geq 1\text{cm}$ ) were conducted in 2014 to 2015

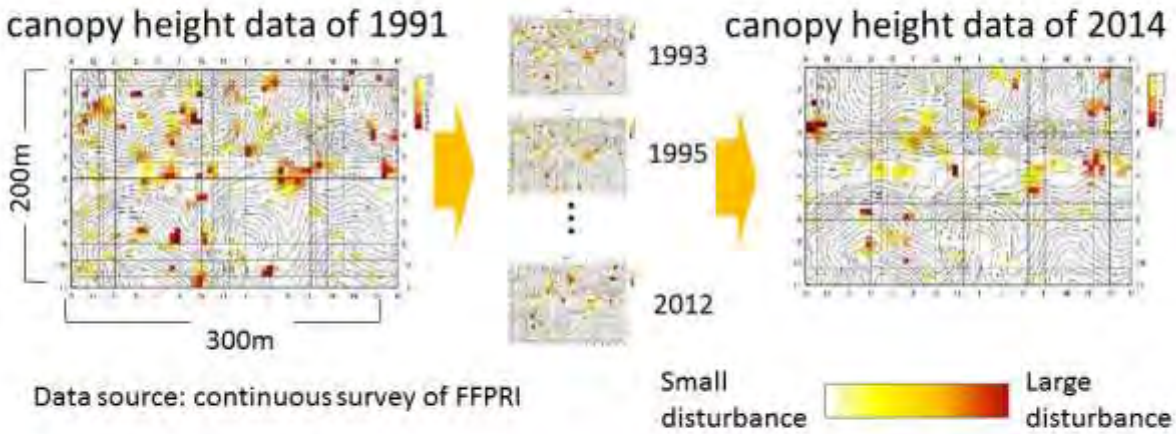


Data for all trees (DBH  $\geq 1\text{cm}$ ) were completed

As for host tree data, tree inventory data (dbh > 1cm) were used

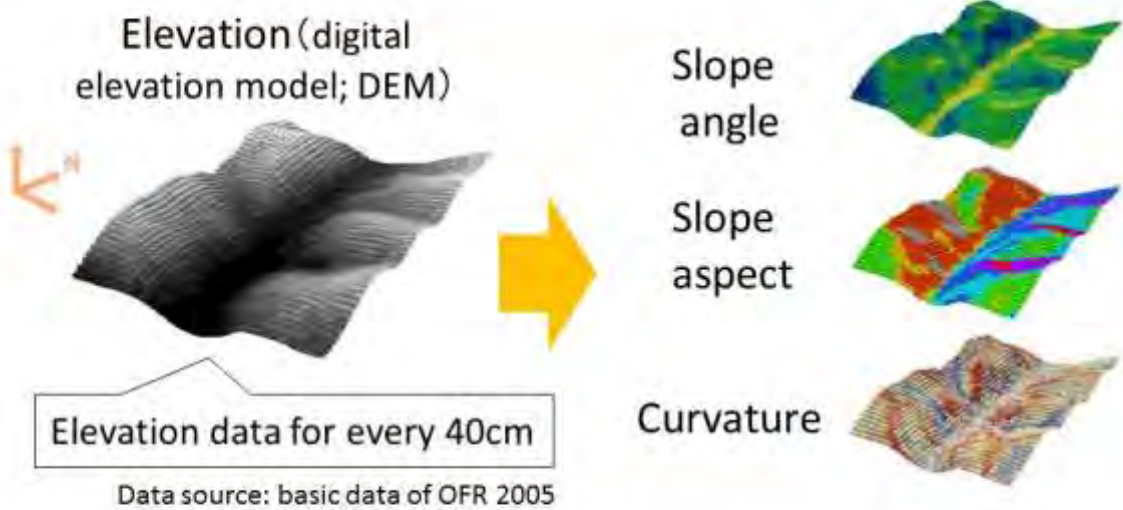
## Methods Existing data(2): canopy gap

Canopy height data for every 5m × 5m grid since 1991



As for disturbance indicator, minimum value of canopy height data was used

## Methods Existing data(3): topography



As for topographical indices, Slope angle, slope aspect and curvature were used



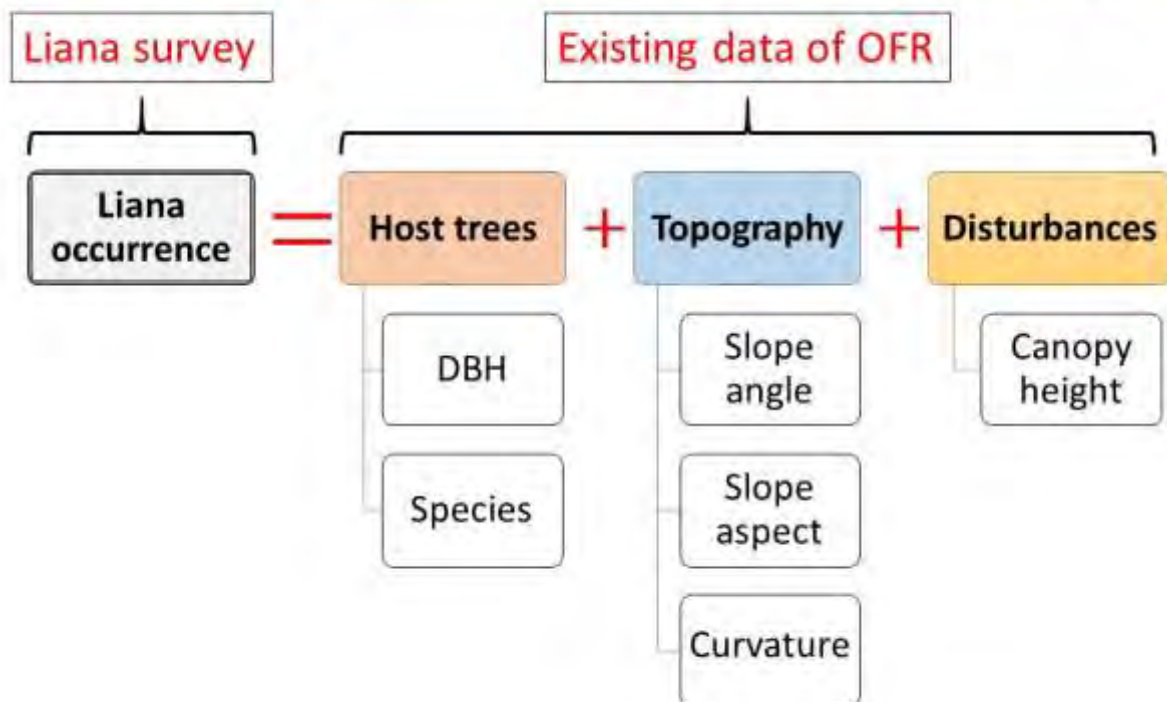
## Methods Liana survey

Because of plentiful existing data, only survey I conducted was liana survey;

For all lianas on trees (dbh  $\geq 1$ cm), species name, DBH and host tree ID were recorded



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Liana dbh

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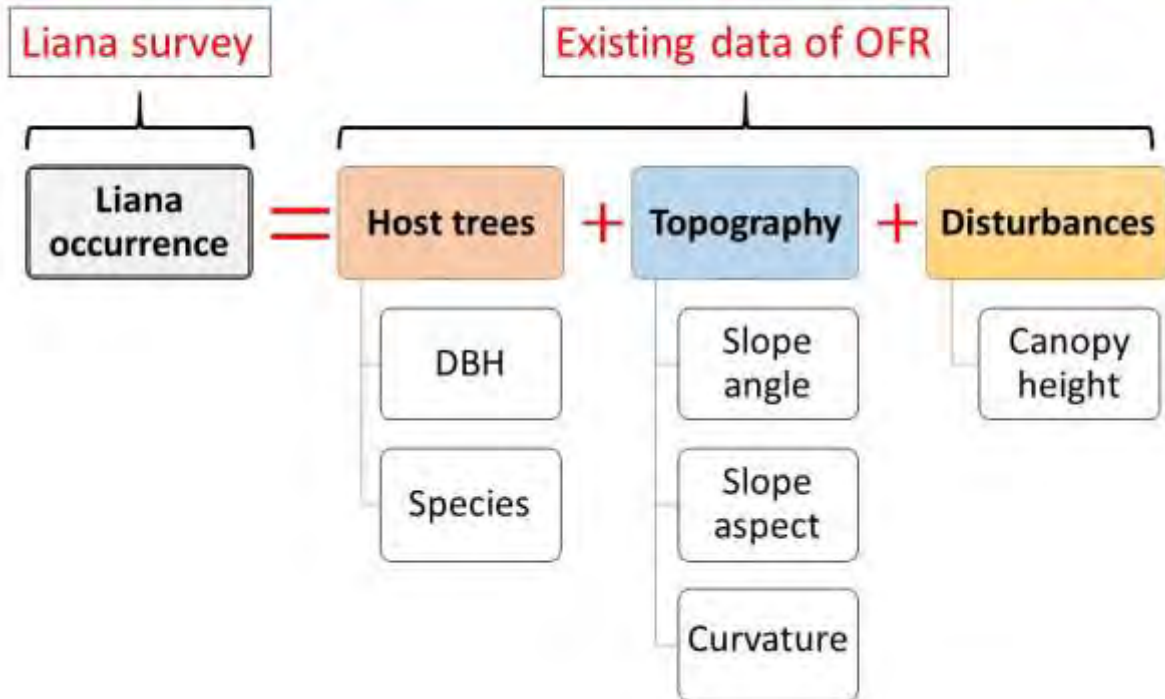
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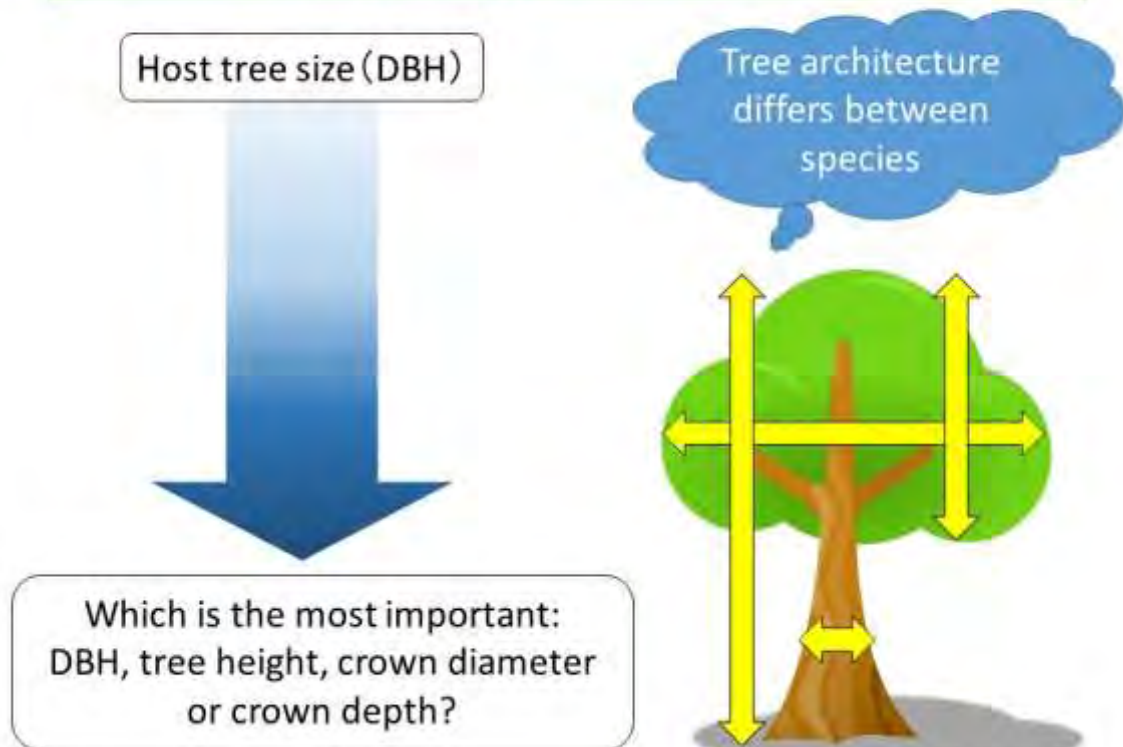
$\beta$  changes with  
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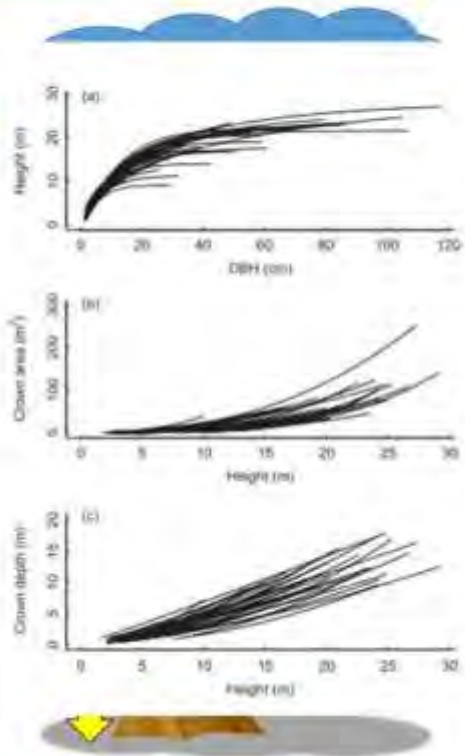
Host tree size (DBH)

Allometric equations for 30 species  
Aiba and Nakashizuka (2009)  
 $y = f(x)$

Tree height, crown diameter and depth

Hierarchical partitioning

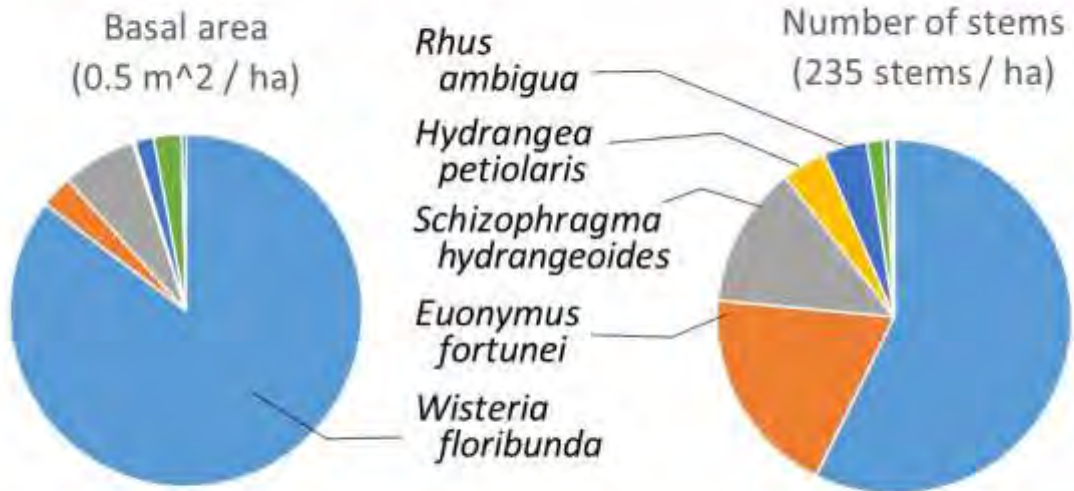
Which is the most important:  
DBH, tree height, crown diameter  
or crown depth?



# Results



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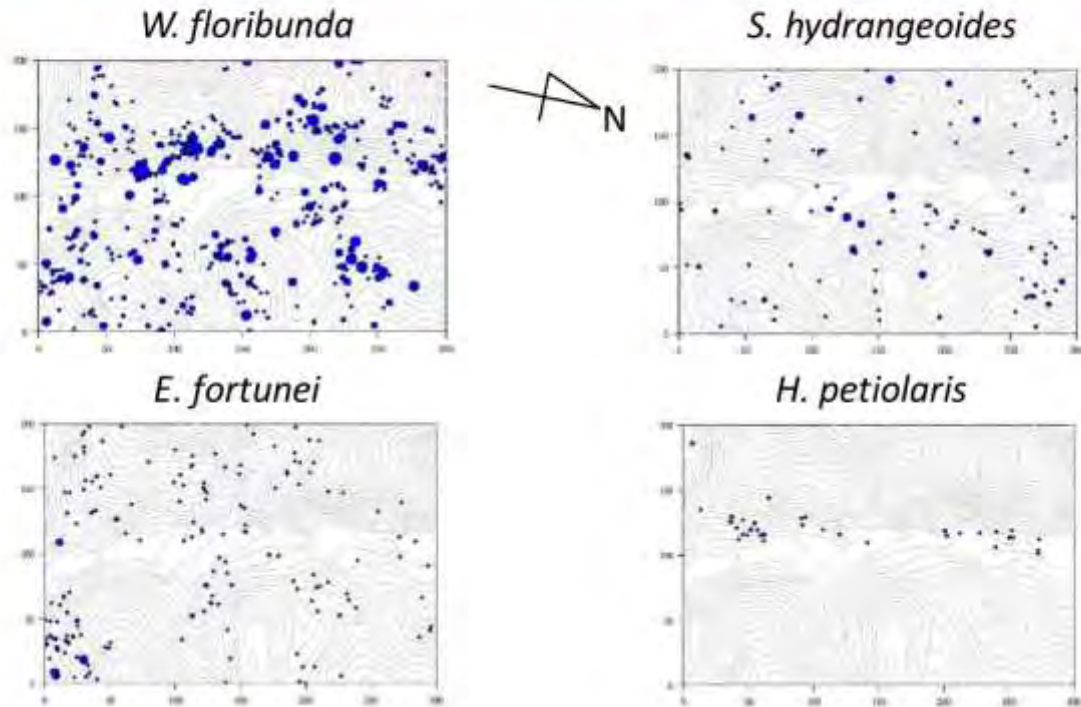


- In a 6-ha plot, 9 species, 1408 stems were recorded
- Abundant five species were analyzed

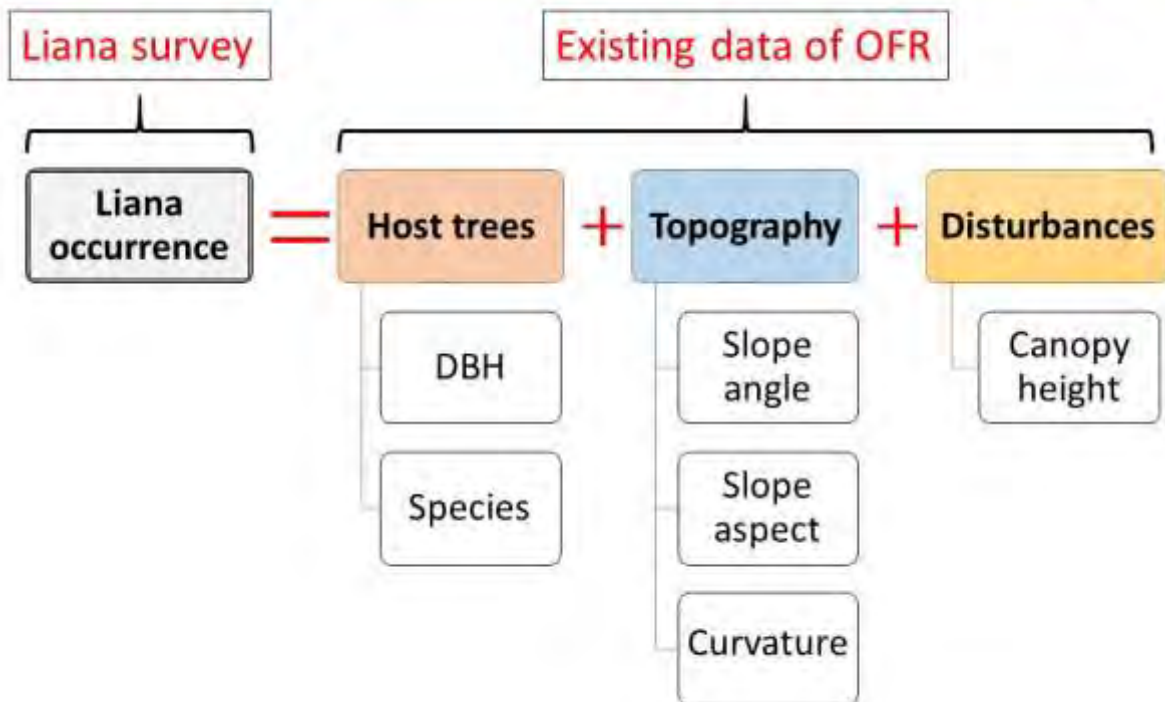
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## Results distribution map of lianas in OFR



## Analysis(1) spatial distribution





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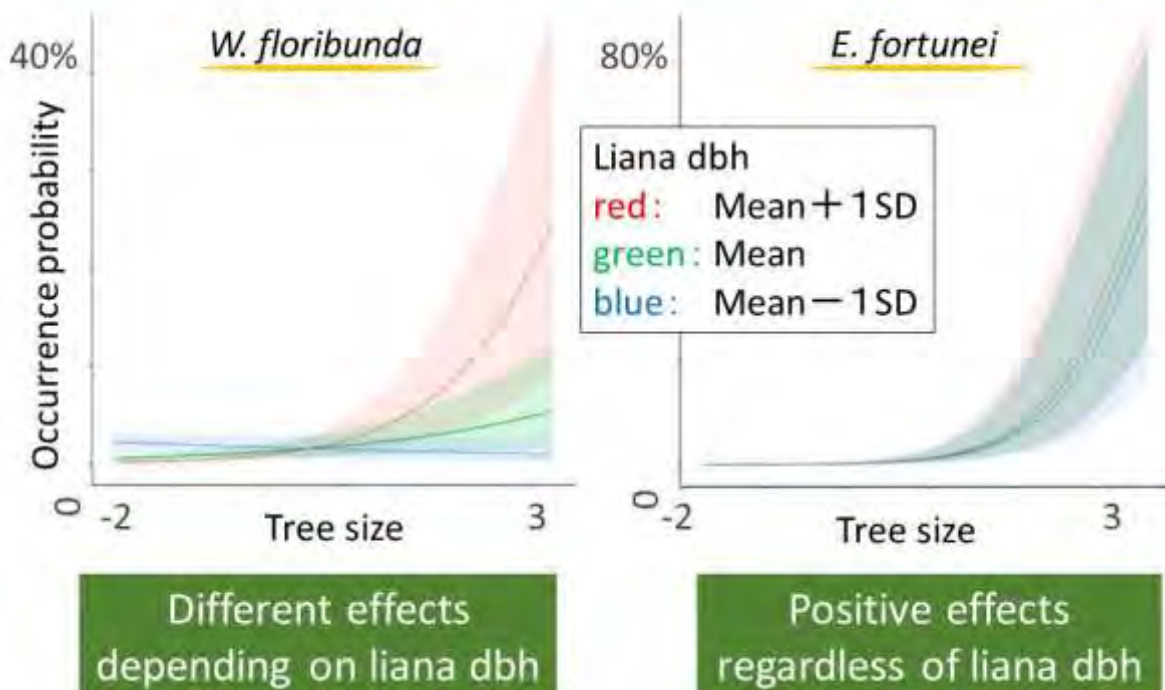


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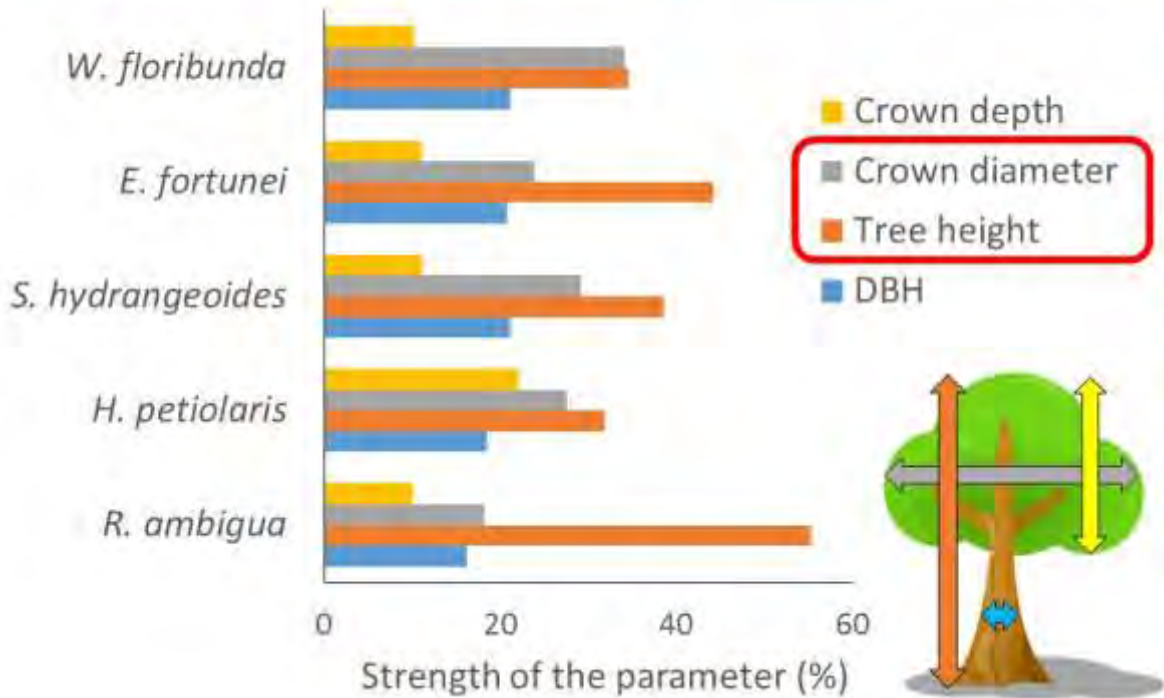
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## Results : Effect of tree size



## Results (2) Effect of tree architecture




# Discussion


## Discussion Host tree size

- Host tree size had positive effect on all species
  - Lianas are likely to occur on larger trees
  
- For *W. floribunda*, the effect of host size changed depending on the size of itself
  - Difference of climbing mechanism?

Stem twiner;  
uses stems to climb trees  
(*W. floribunda*)



Root climber;  
uses adhesive roots to climb trees  
(e.g., *E. floribunda*)



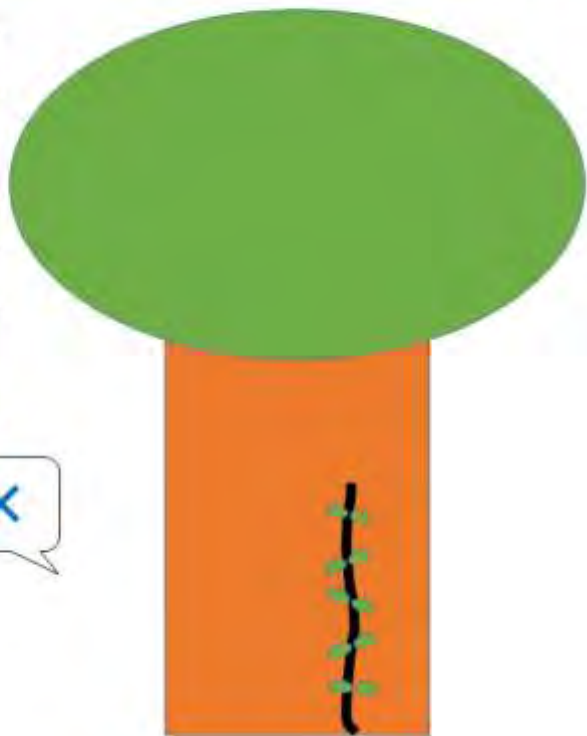
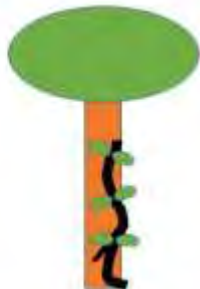
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Small twiner requires small diameter support

**Root climber**

Root climber can climb regardless of tree size



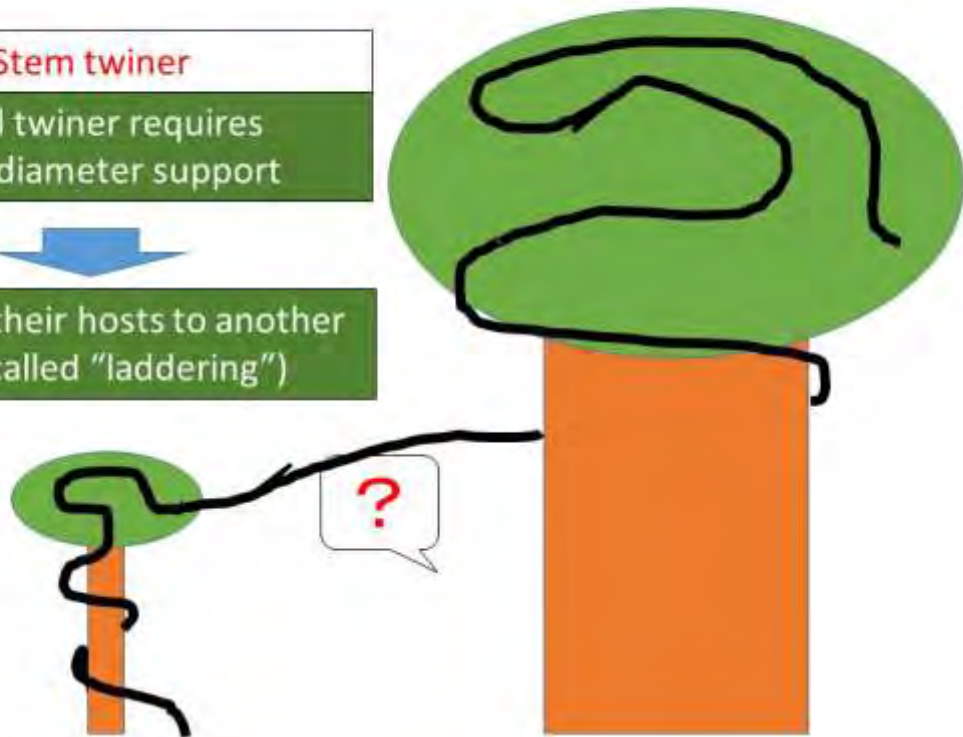


## Discussion Host tree preferences

**Stem twiner**  
Small twiner requires small diameter support



Changes their hosts to another (also called "laddering")



## Discussion Tree architecture preferences

- Importance of tree architecture on liana occurrence:

**Tree height** > crown diameter >> **DBH** > **crown depth**

*W. floribunda* (stem twiner): **Tree height** ≈ crown diameter

others (root climbers): **Tree height** > crown diameter

→ Related to climbing mechanism of lianas?

○ stem twiner like *W. floribunda* changes its host to another

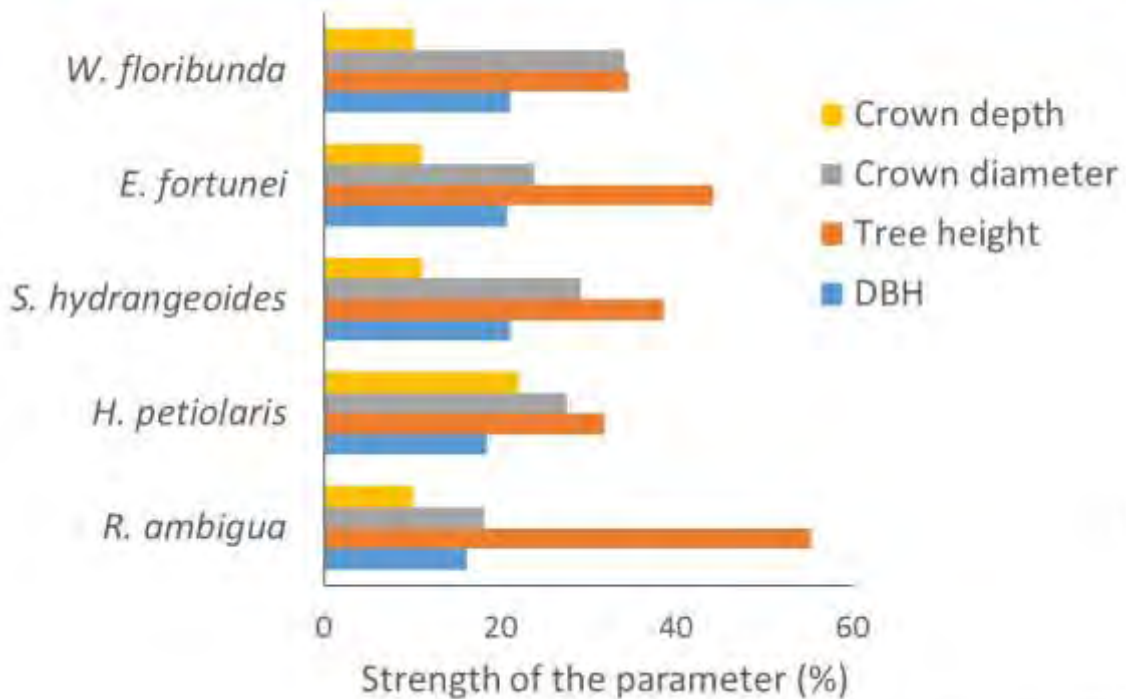
→ Crown diameter is more important?

○ Root climbers cannot change their hosts

→ Tree height is more important?



## Discussion Tree architecture preferences



## Discussion: topography

- Slope angle had significantly negative effect on 4 species  
 → Root climbers are weak to soil surface disturbance?
- Slope aspect and curvature are related to water conditions  
 → Adaptive to different conditions? ••• niche differentiation

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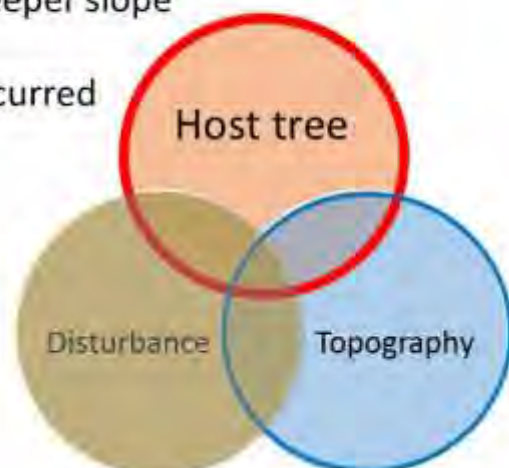
## Discussion: disturbance

- Disturbance had no significant effect on all species
- Disturbance data is based on 25 years continuous survey
  - In 20-30 years scale, it is difficult to explain liana distribution by small scale disturbance

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## Summary

- (1) Host tree preference were highly important to all liana species  
Tree architecture could be related to climbing mechanism
- (2) Topography showed species specific variation  
Root climbers were sensitive to steeper slope
- (3) Effect of small scale disturbance occurred in 25yr were not significant





## Good points of using LTER sites

I want to test many hypothesis, but it is usually difficult. Because I need whole forest level data...

Student

Large scale studies are important, but it is usually difficult to conduct in short period of time...

By using LTER sites, these problems could be overcome!



### **3) Spatial structure and dynamics of northern Korean Pine - broadleaved forests**

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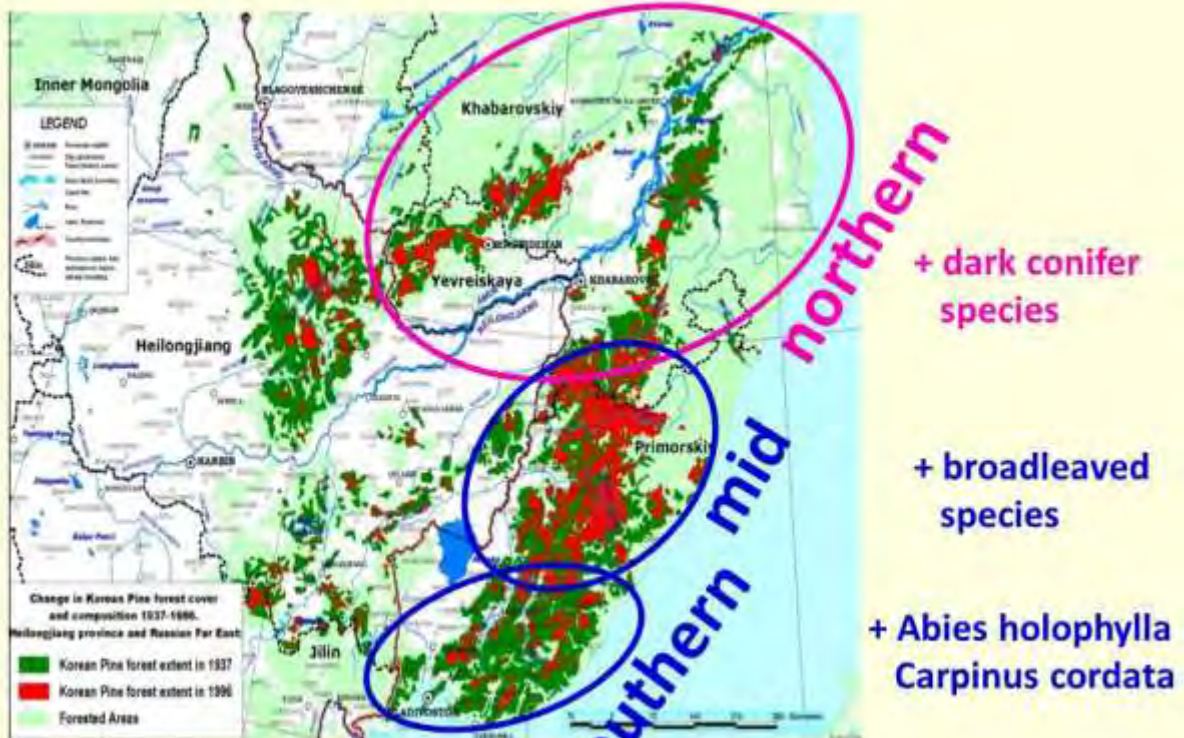
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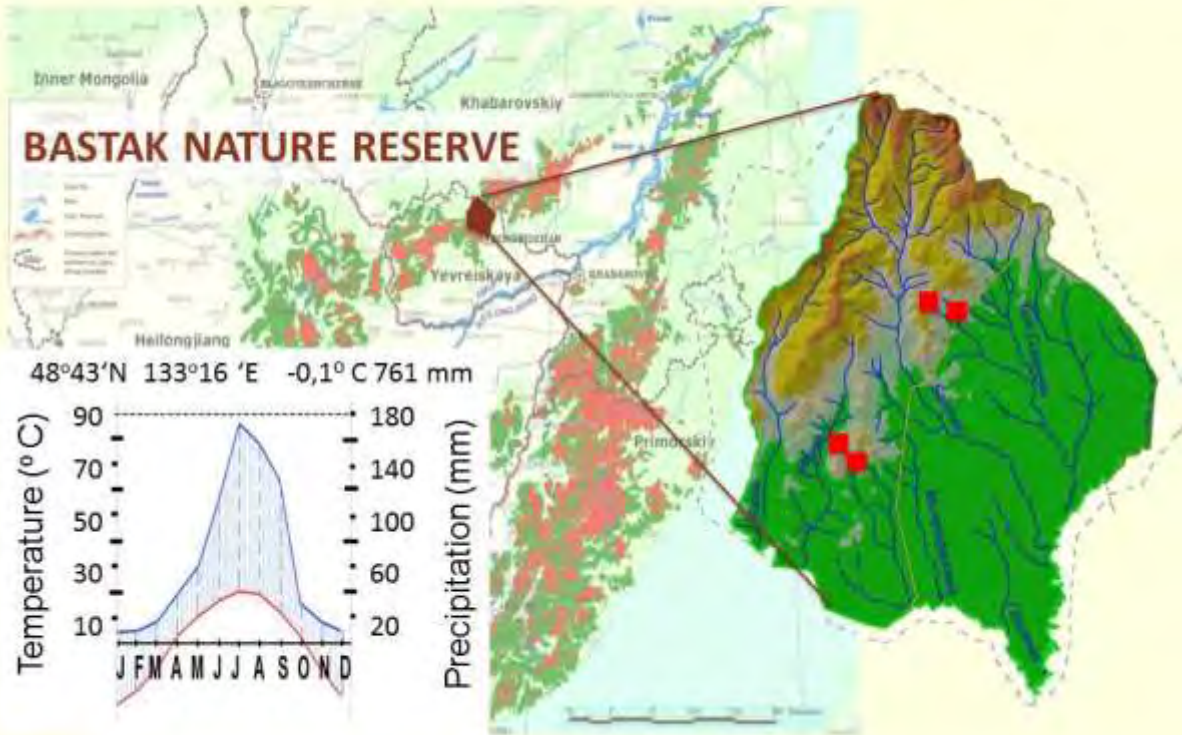
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## KOREAN PINE – BROADLEAVED FOREST RANGE



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## MATERIAL AND METHODS

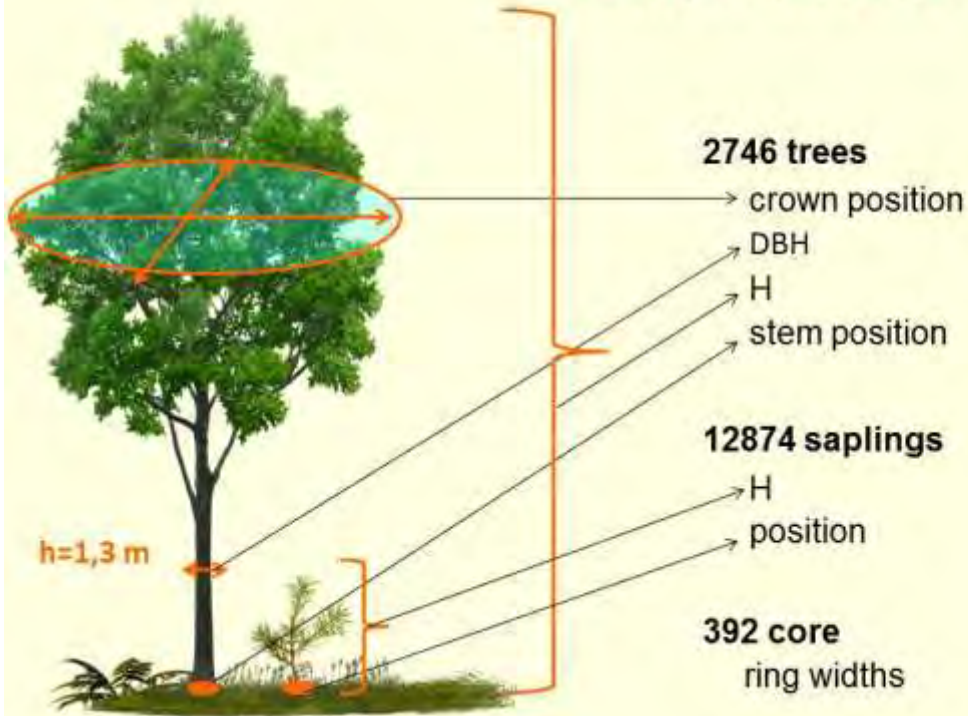




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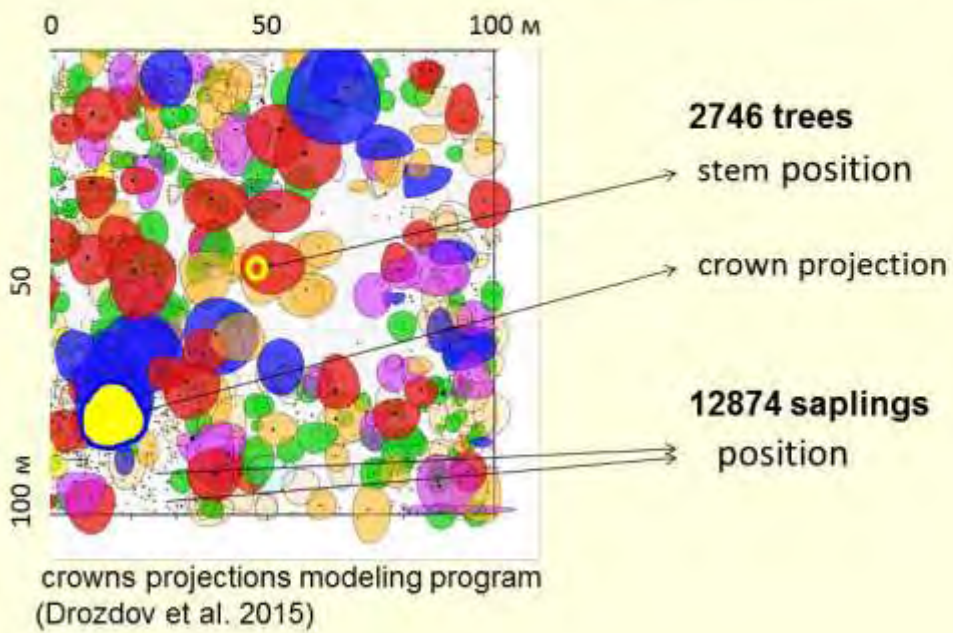
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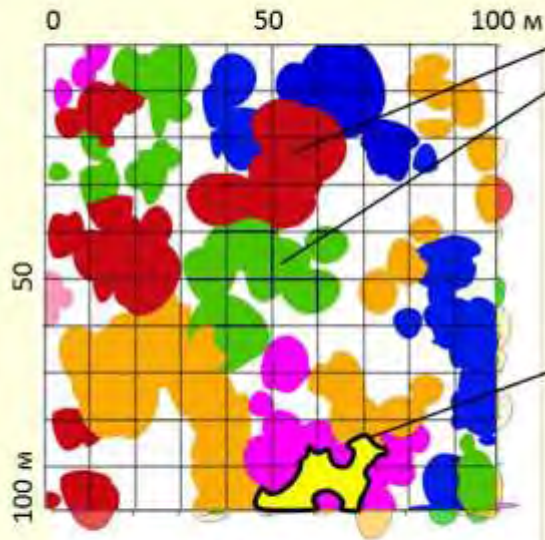
### Mapping sample plots



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Methods:

### Definition of microstands and canopy gaps



crowns projections modeling program (Drozdov et al. 2015)

#### Microstand type

A microstand is a homogenous forest area that is usually smaller than an forest stand (Hyynonen et al. 2005).

#### Canopy gap



- S (area)
- H
- Distance from saplings to canopy border

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Methods:

**Vertical structure:** determination of tree layer boundary with *K*-means (Steinhaus, 1956; Lloyd, 1957), Statistica

#### Saplings layer:

**LOW (0,1 – 0,5 m)**

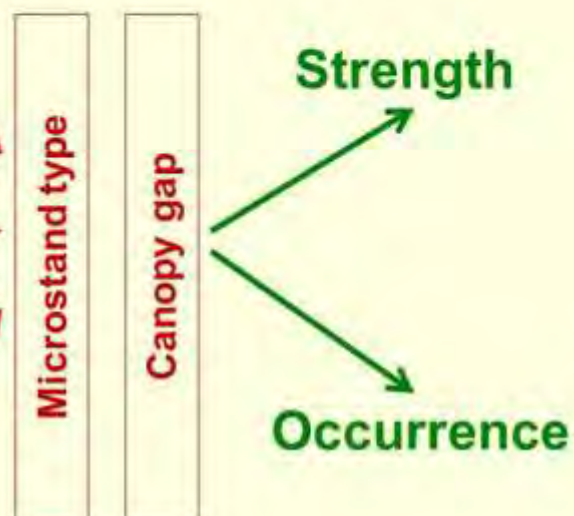
*development within the herb layer*

**MID (0,51 – 1,5 m)**

*development within the shrub layer*

**HIGH (1,51 – 6 m)**

*output from the shrub layer*





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### Methods:

**spatial structure:** pair correlation function  $g(r)$

#### null hypotheses:

- **complete spatial randomness** (univariate interactions)
- **bivariate random labeling** (bivariate interactions within the understory and saplings layers)
- **toroidal shift** (bivariate interactions within the overstory layer)
- **antecedent conditions** (the influence of higher height classes on lower height classes spatial structure)

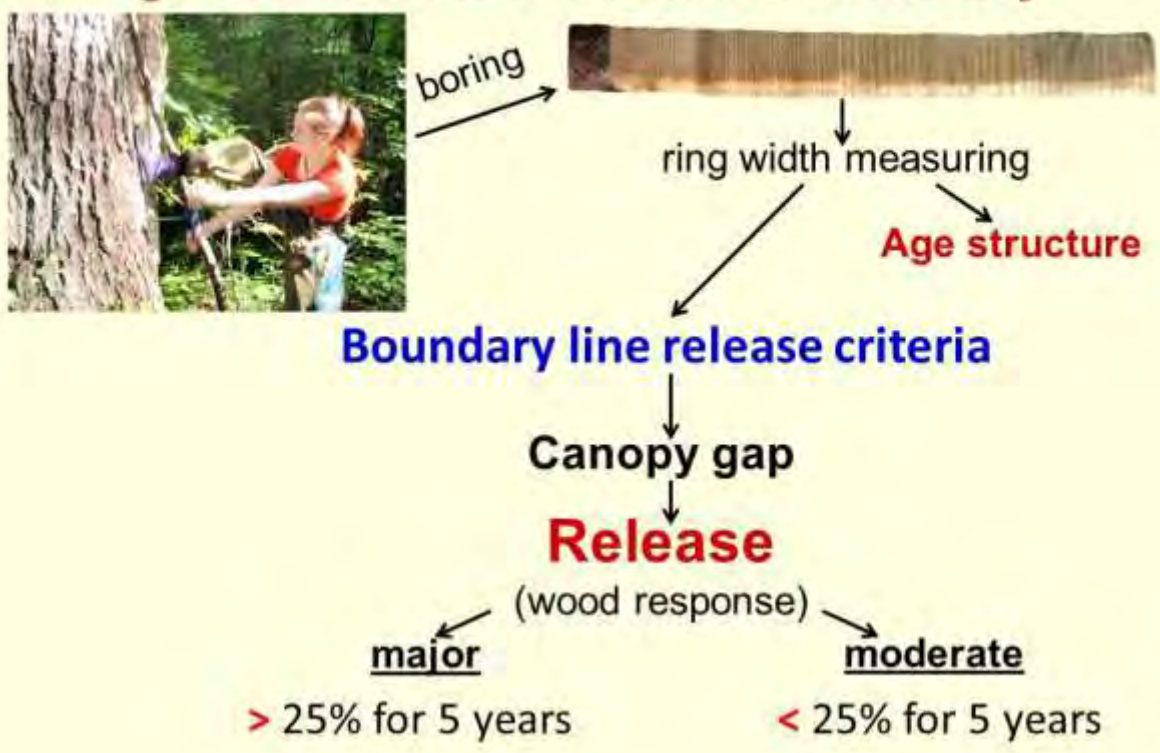
- *Monte-Carlo approach for construction of 95% confidence limits of a given null model*

(Wiegand et al. 2004, 2007; Wiegand, Moloney, 2014), Programita

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### Methods:

#### Age structure and Disturbance history





# RESULTS



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## FOREST ECOSYSTEMS

**Ribesi maximowicziani-  
Pinetum koraiensis**  
(Krestov et al. 2006)



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## Composition (dominant tree species)

	percentage											
	SP №1			SP №2			SP №4			SP №5		
	I	II	sapl	I	II	sapl	I	II	sapl	I	II	sapl
<i>Abies nephrolepis</i>	17,8	49,3	9,1	46,9	26,5	24,6	21	26	49,4	18	43	45,2
<i>Acer mono</i>	11,8	15,5	5,4	4,9	7,3	9,4	-	-	0,6	-	1	2,3
<i>Acer tegmentosum</i>	-	5,5	12,4	-	4,1	12,2	0,3	2,5	10,2	-	0,2	7,4
<i>Acer ukuruense</i>	-	13,4	7,3	-	14,6	3,8	-	3,4	22,5	-	2	19,1
<i>Betula costata</i>	11,8	1,4	2	22,2	14,9	0,1	3,5	0,6	0,4	2,5	0,4	0,4
<i>Fraxinus mandshurica</i>	15,8	5,5	51,9	4,9	7,6	19,2		0,1	0,3	10	1,4	4,8
<i>Picea ajanensis</i>	2	1	0,1	7,4	0,5	1	9,1	19	3,7	13	28	1,8
<i>Pinus koraiensis</i>	25,7	1,4	3,8	2,5	4,3	20,7	20	28	6,2	17	7,4	15,1
<i>Tilia amurensis</i>	13,2	3,1	0,6	7,4	2,4	1,7	5,6	6,5	5,1	15	10	1,7
<i>Ulmus laciniata</i>	1,3	0,7	4,5	-	0,5	4,6	0,1	-	-	-	0,2	-
Height, m	17~ 40	6,1~ 17	0,1~ 6	19,1~ 36	6,1~ 19	0,1~ 6	16,1~ 7	6,1~ 16	0,1~ 6	17~ 40	6,1~ 7	0,1~ 6

Sapl – saplings I – overstory II – understory SP – sample plot

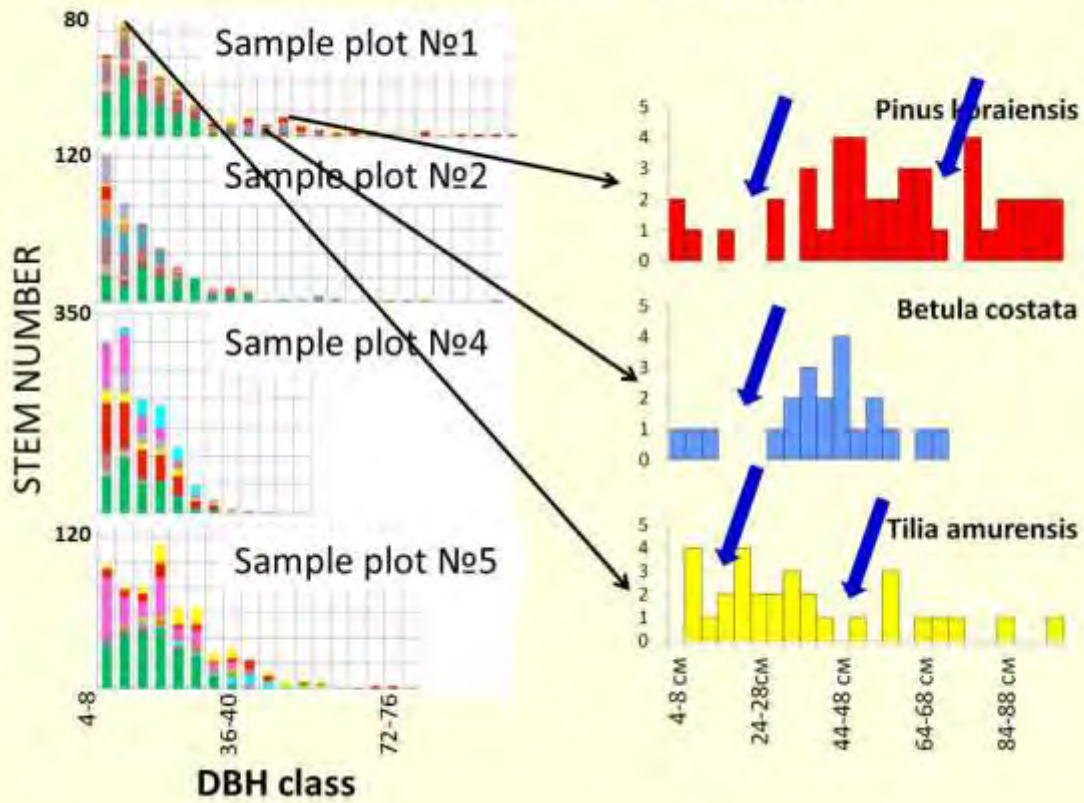
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## Microstand type characteristics

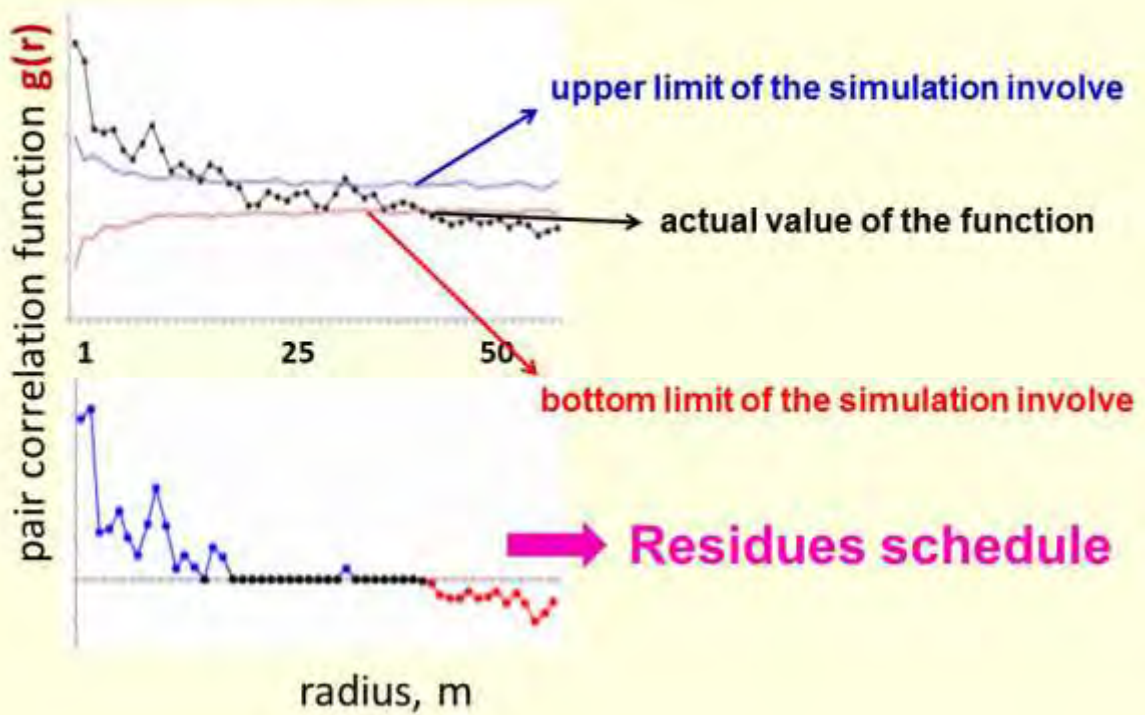
Microstand type	Overstory dominant	Understory dominant	Shrub layer dominant
Dark conifer	<i>Abies nephrolepis</i> , <i>Picea ajanensis</i>	<i>Abies nephrolepis</i> , <i>Picea ajanensis</i>	–
Broadlived-Pine	<i>Betula costata</i> , <i>B. lanata</i> , <i>Tilia amurensis</i> , <i>Pinus koraiensis</i>	<i>Abies nephrolepis</i> , <i>Acer mono</i> , <i>A. tegmentosum</i> , <i>Pinus koraiensis</i> , <i>Tilia amurensis</i>	<i>Actinidia kolomikta</i> , <i>Corylus mandshurica</i> , <i>Eleutherococcus senticosus</i> , <i>Sorbaria sorbifolia</i>
Pine	<i>Pinus koraiensis</i>	<i>Abies nephrolepis</i> , <i>Acer mono</i>	–
Ash-Pine	<i>Fraxinus mandshurica</i> , <i>Pinus koraiensis</i>	<i>Abies nephrolepis</i> , <i>Pinus koraiensis</i>	–
Broadlived-conifer	<i>Abies nephrolepis</i> , <i>Betula costata</i> , <i>Picea ajanensis</i>	<i>Abies nephrolepis</i> , <i>Acer mono</i> , <i>A. tegmentosum</i> , <i>Picea ajanensis</i>	<i>Acer ukuruense</i> , <i>Actinidia kolomikta</i> , <i>Corylus mandshurica</i> , <i>Eleutherococcus senticosus</i> , <i>Euonymus pauciflora</i> , <i>Sorbaria sorbifolia</i>
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### Distribution of trees



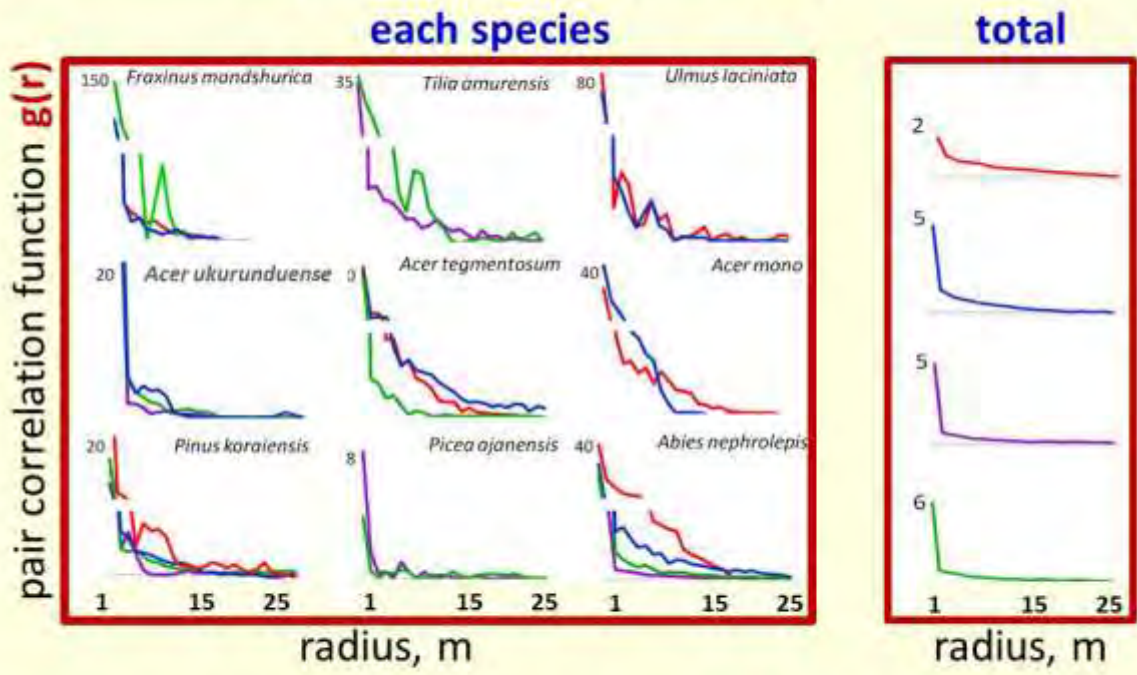
### Spatial structure





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### Spatial structure (saplings)

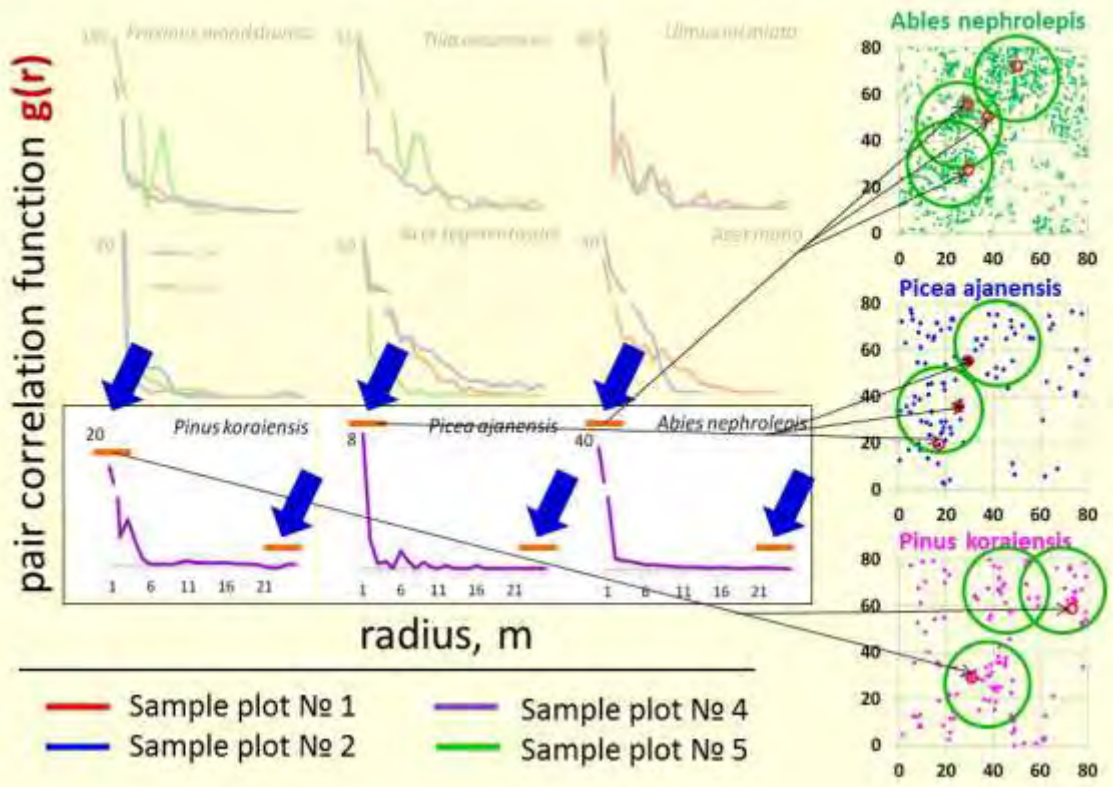


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if  $g(r) > 0$  = aggregation distribution

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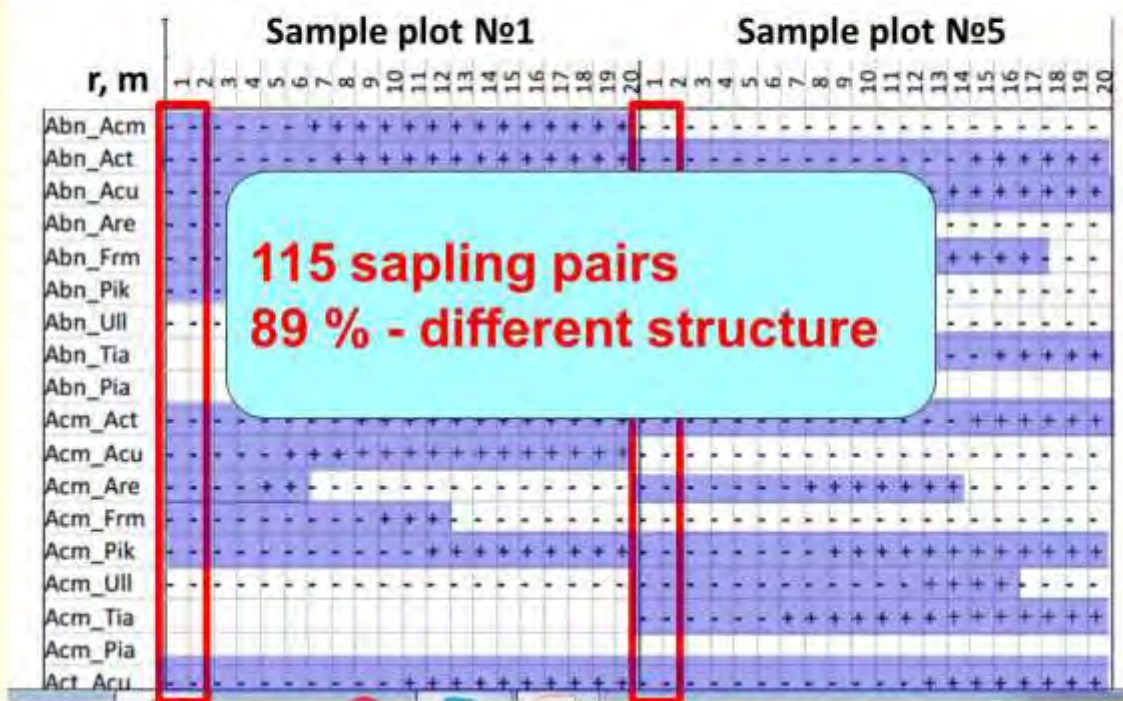
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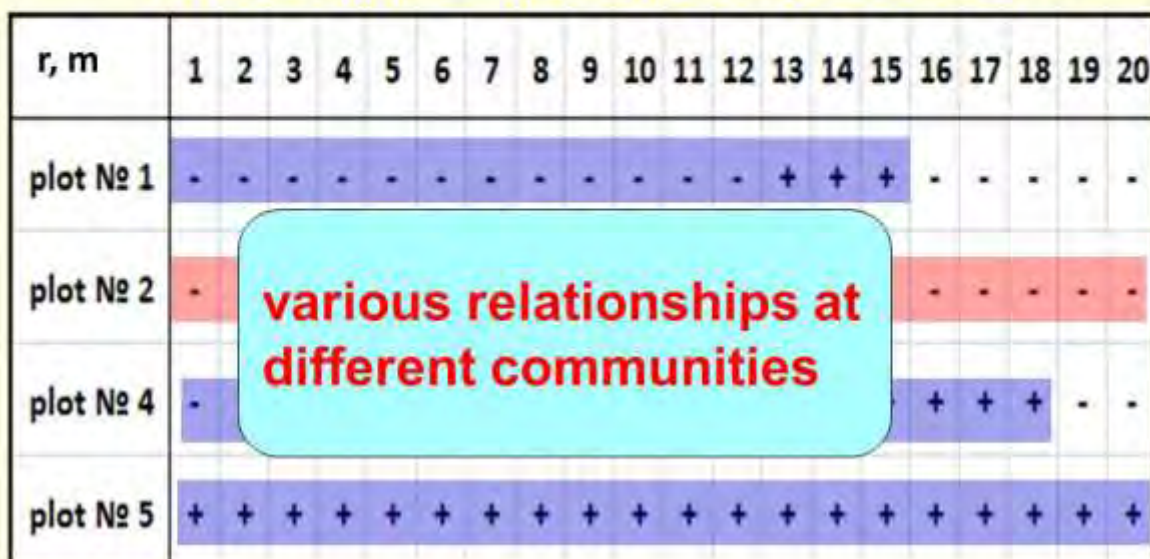
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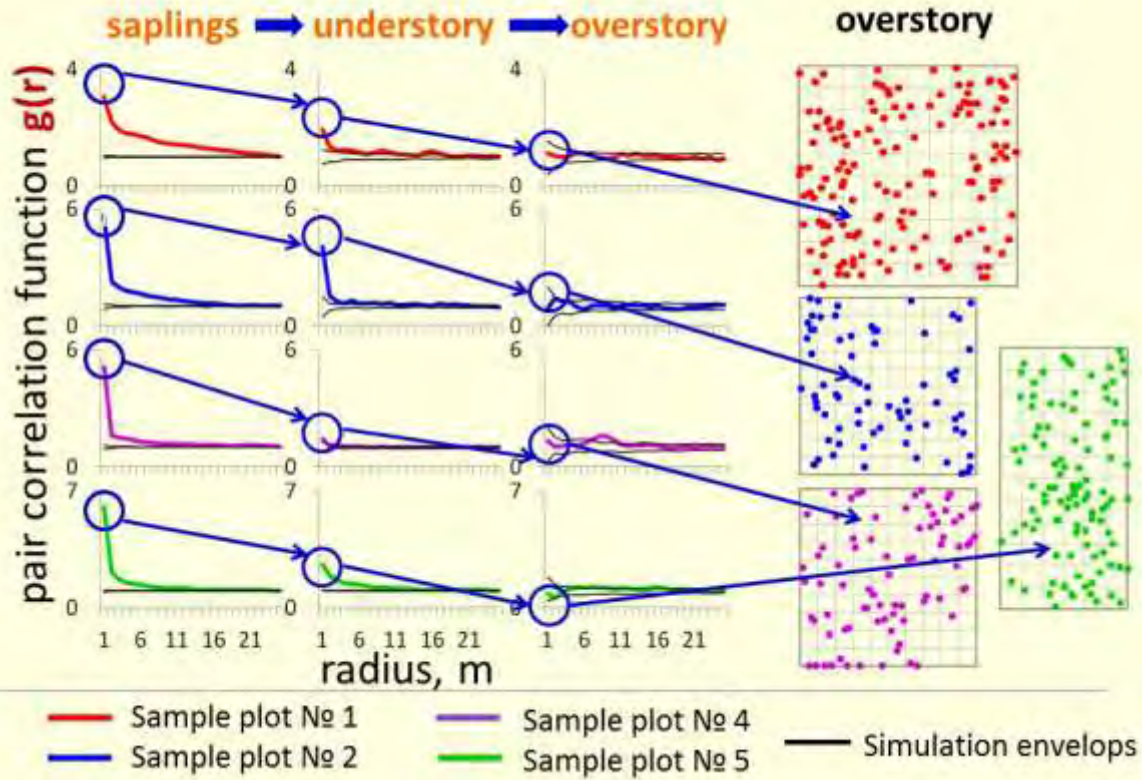
#### Pinus koraiensis – Abies nephrolepis interacciones





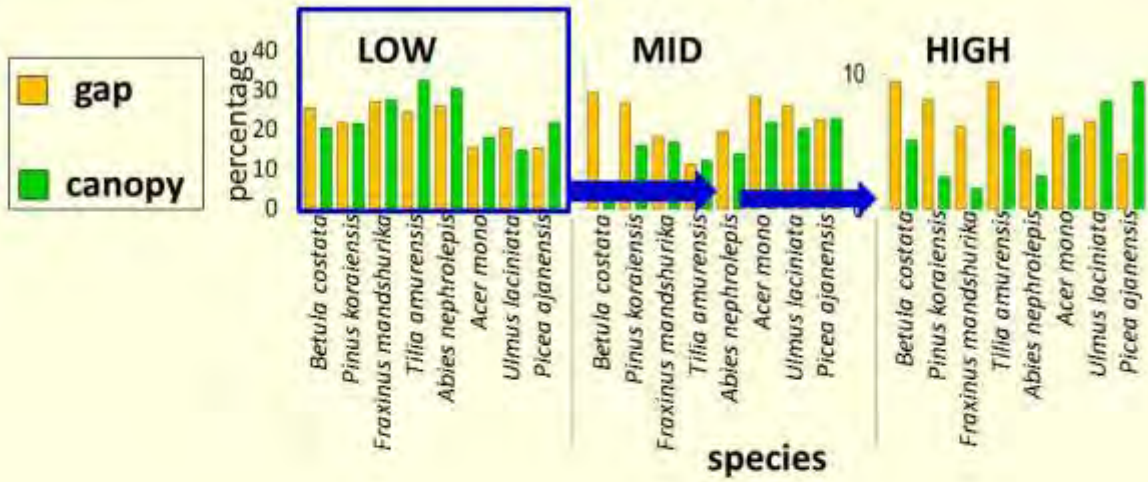
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### Spatial structure



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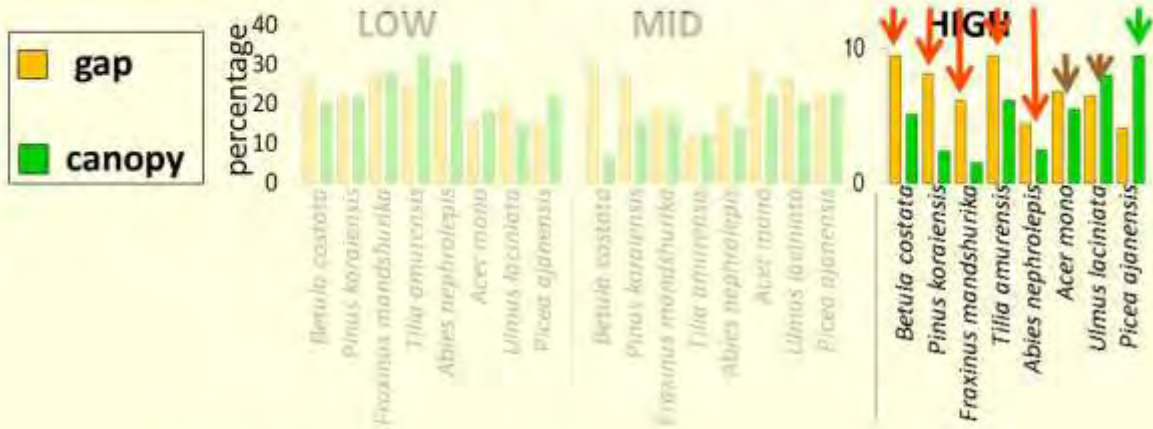
### SAPLING DISTRIBUTION





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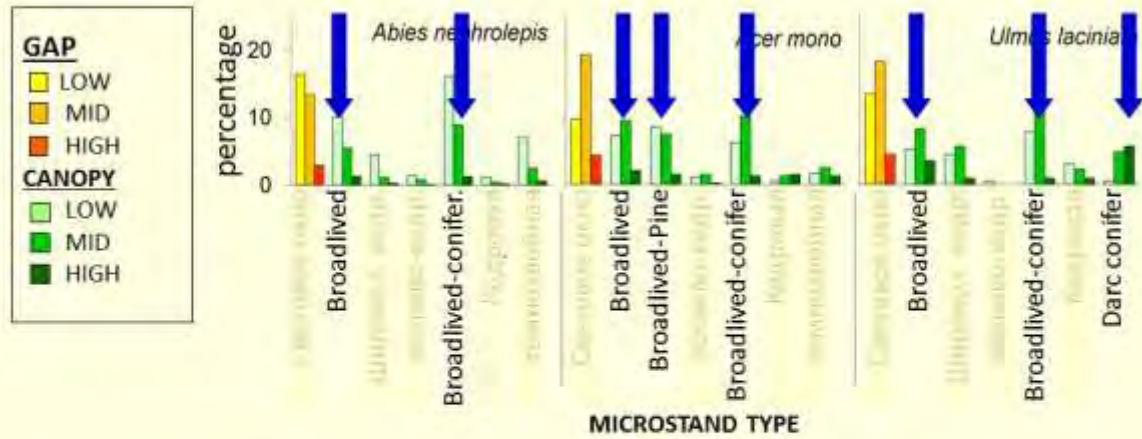
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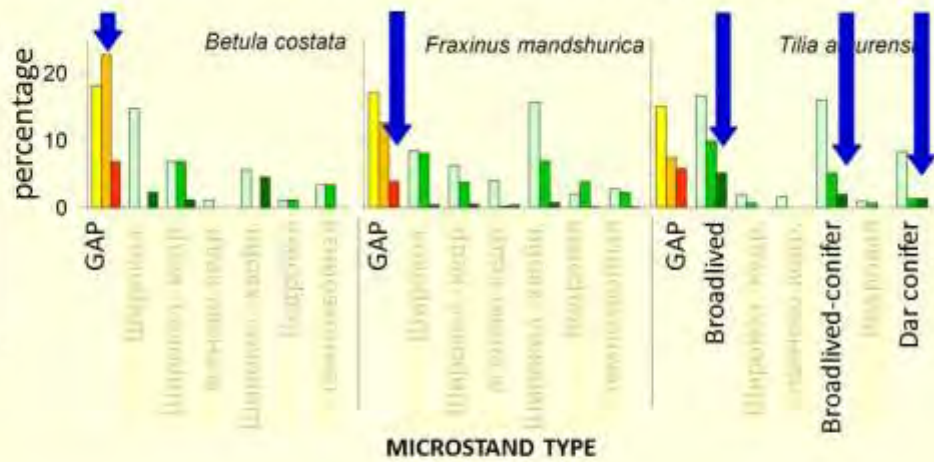
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## SAPLING DISTRIBUTION (with canopy respect)



OVERSTORY

*Betula costata*  
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*Fraxinus mandshurica*  
*Tilia amurens*

*Picea ajanensis*

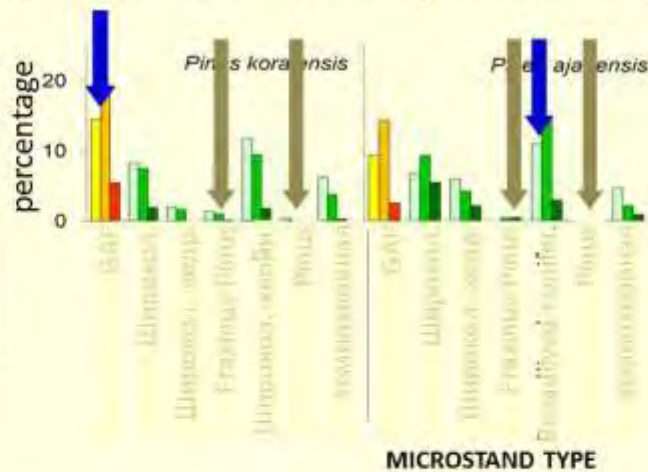
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## SAPLING DISTRIBUTION (with canopy respect)



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*Tilia amurens*

*Picea ajanensis*

UNDERSTORY

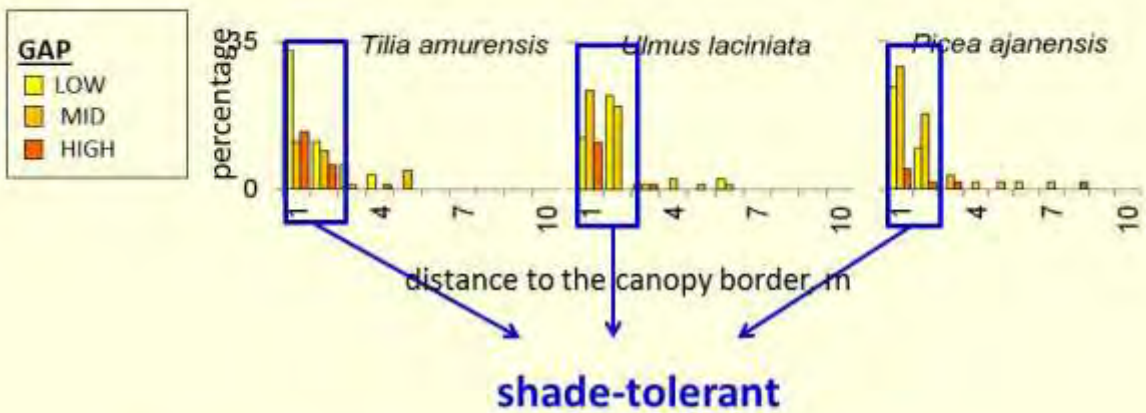
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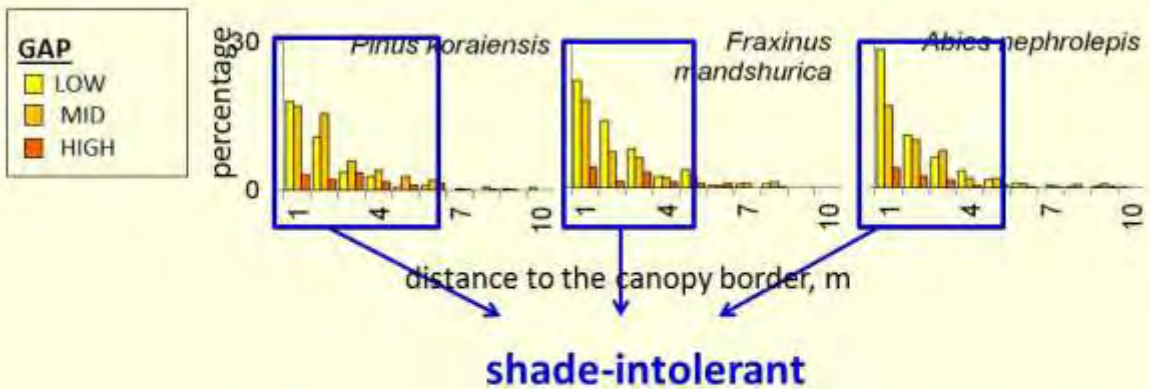
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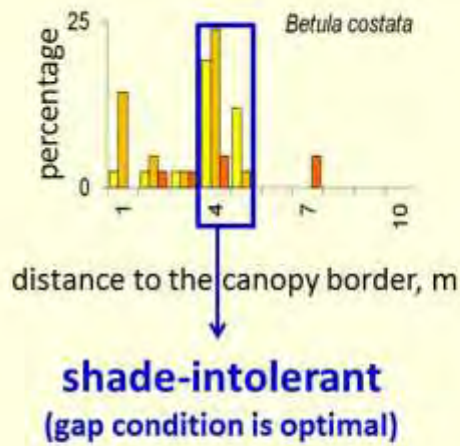


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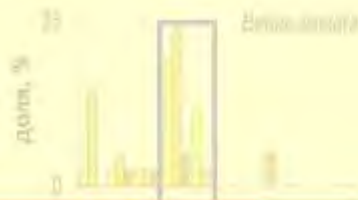
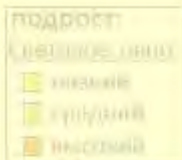
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## Отношение подроста к световым окнам



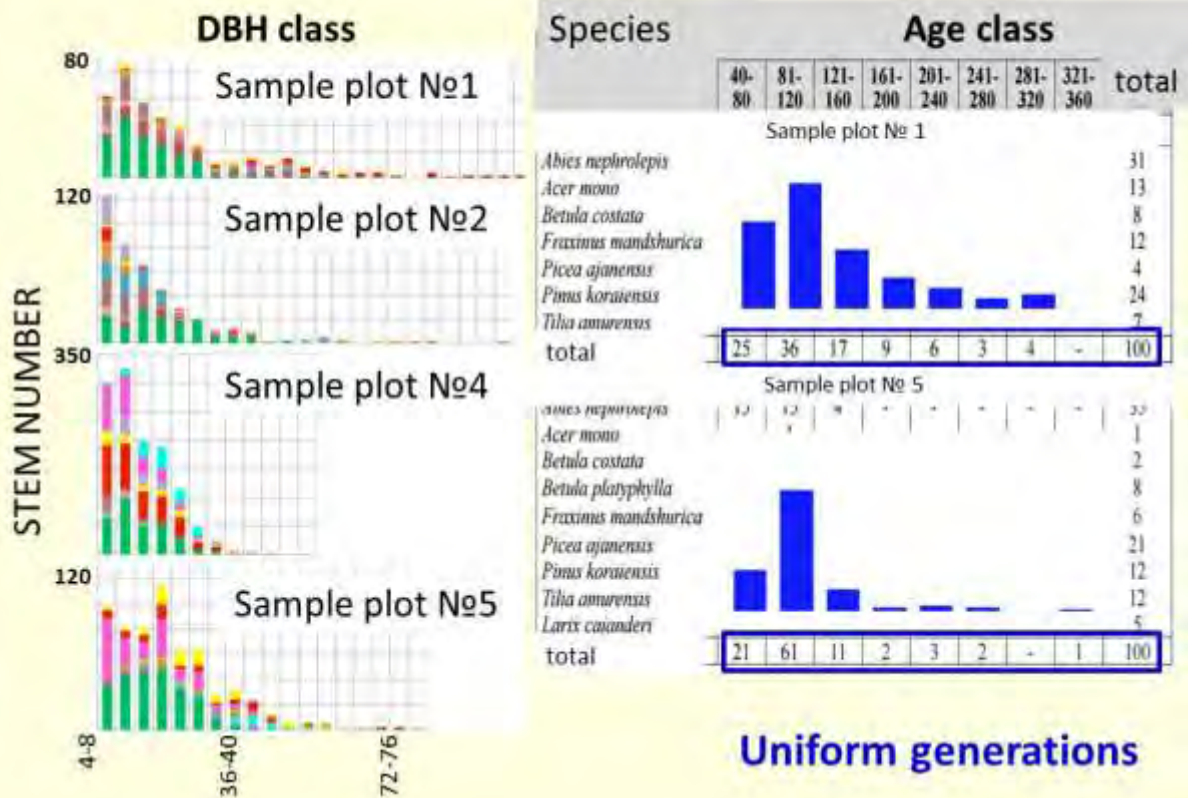
**!!! Potential dominant species occupy different niches at early ontogenetic stages**

Условия в окнах - оптимальны

	световое окно	световое окно полот	полог
<b>Конструкторы</b>	<i>Betula costata</i>		<i>Pinus koraiensis</i>
<b>I ярус</b>			
<b>II ярус</b>			

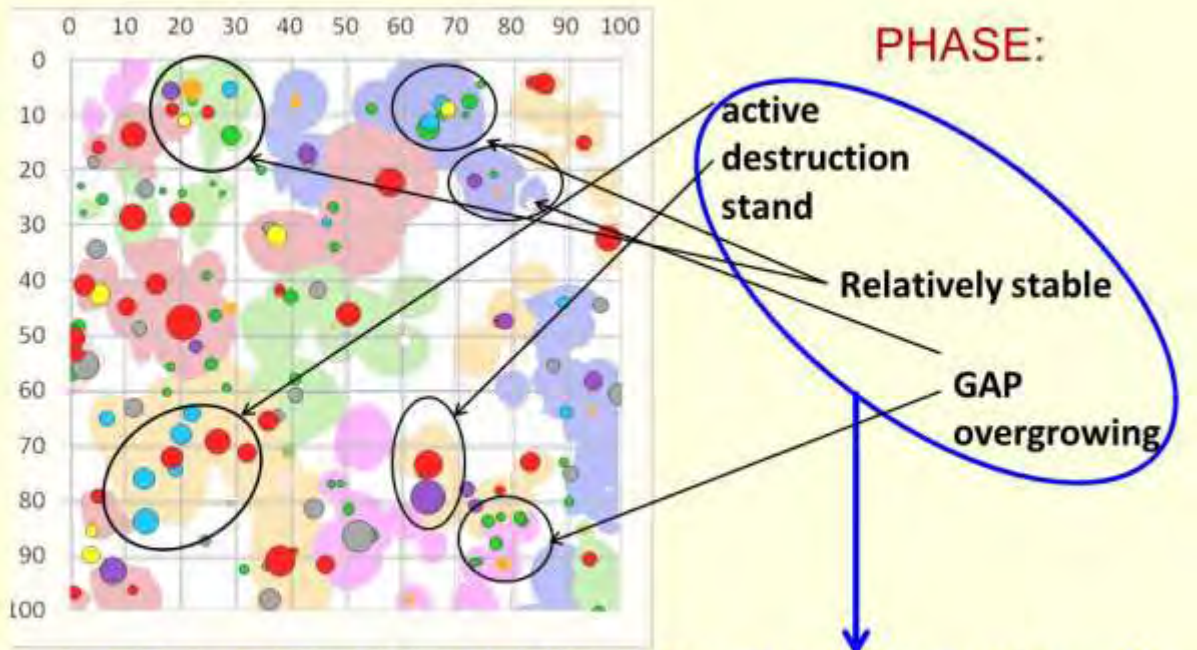
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### AGE STRUCTURE



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### MICROSTAND AGE

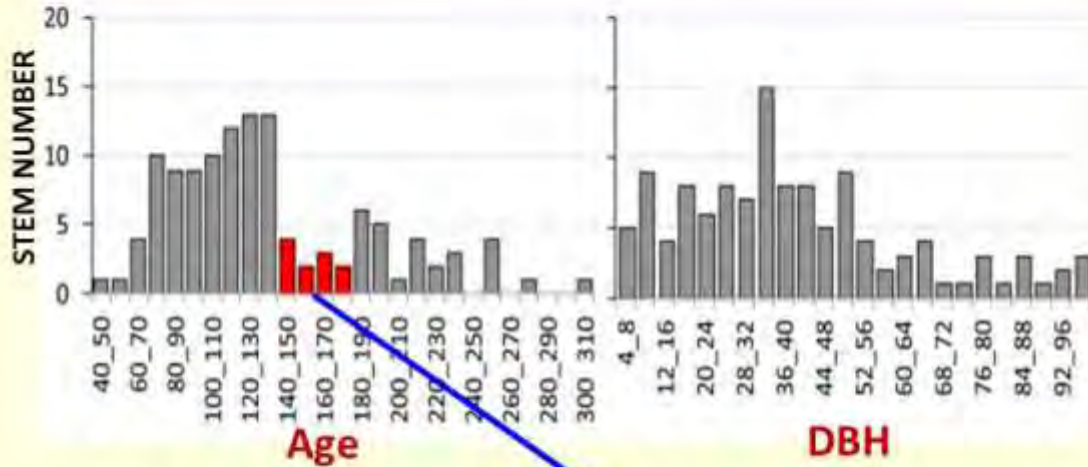


Northern Korean pine-Broadleaved forests is microstands complex with different age structure and dynamic processes trends



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## *Pinus koraiensis* distribution

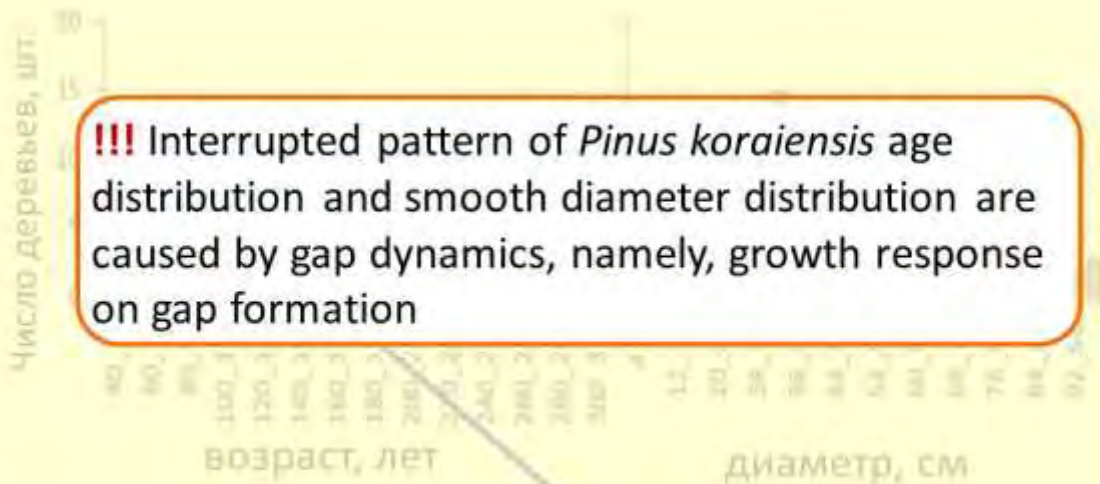


age - diameter  
correlation coefficient  
 $r = 0,83; n = 120; P < 0,001$

decline the number of trees  
growing into the canopy  
within 40 years

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Распределение деревьев *Pinus koraiensis* по диаметру и возрасту



Высокая корреляция  
возраста и диаметра  
 $r = 0,83; n = 120$  деревьев;  $P < 0,001$

Снижение числа деревьев,  
врастающих в полог в  
течении 40-ка лет



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THE MOST TREES GREW UP AFTER GAP FORMATION

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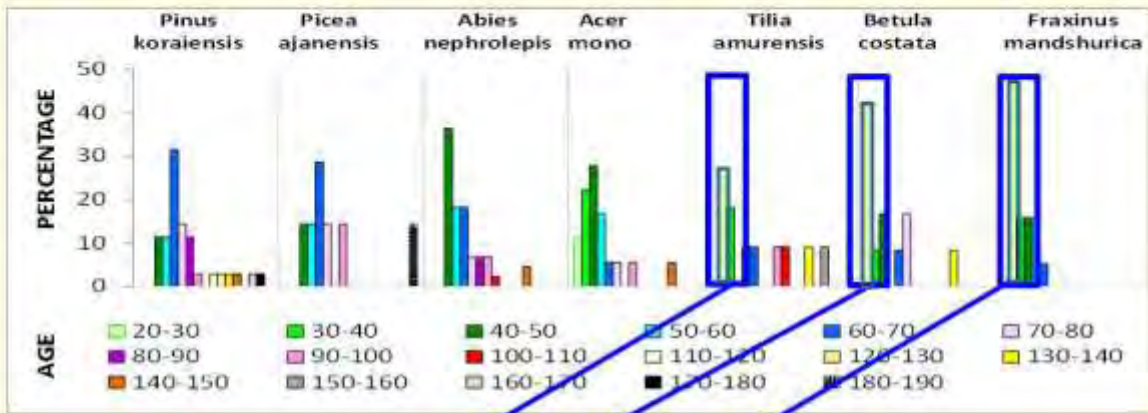
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GROW UP AFTER MULTIPLE GAP FORMATION

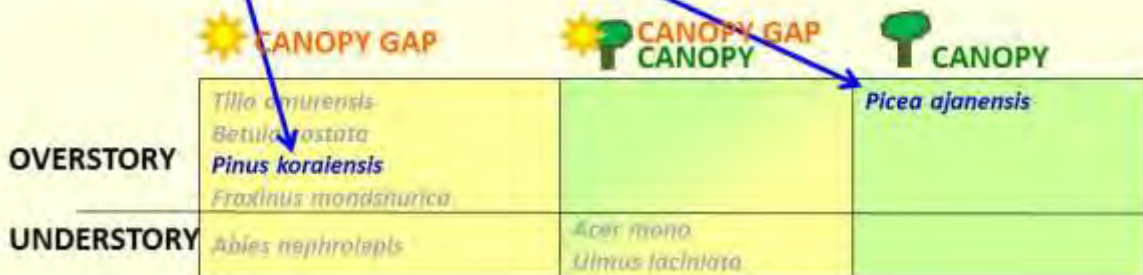
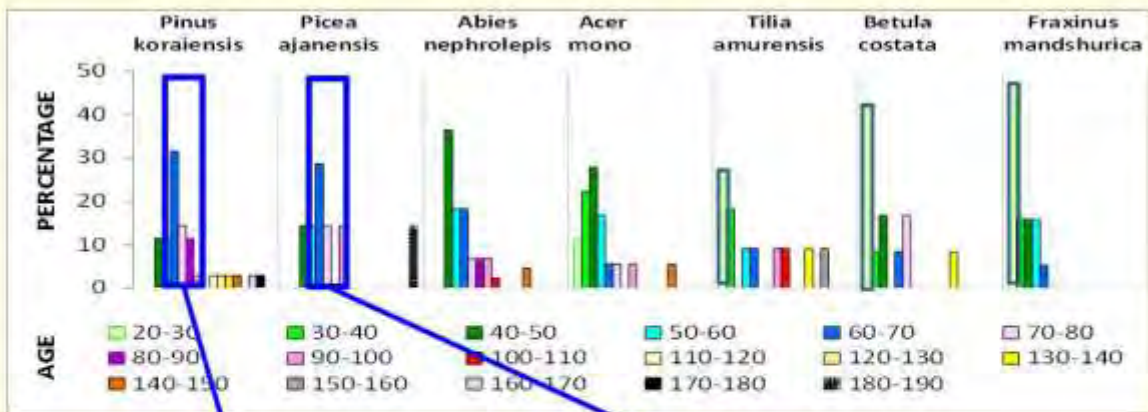
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### FIRST ONTOGENETIC RELEASE



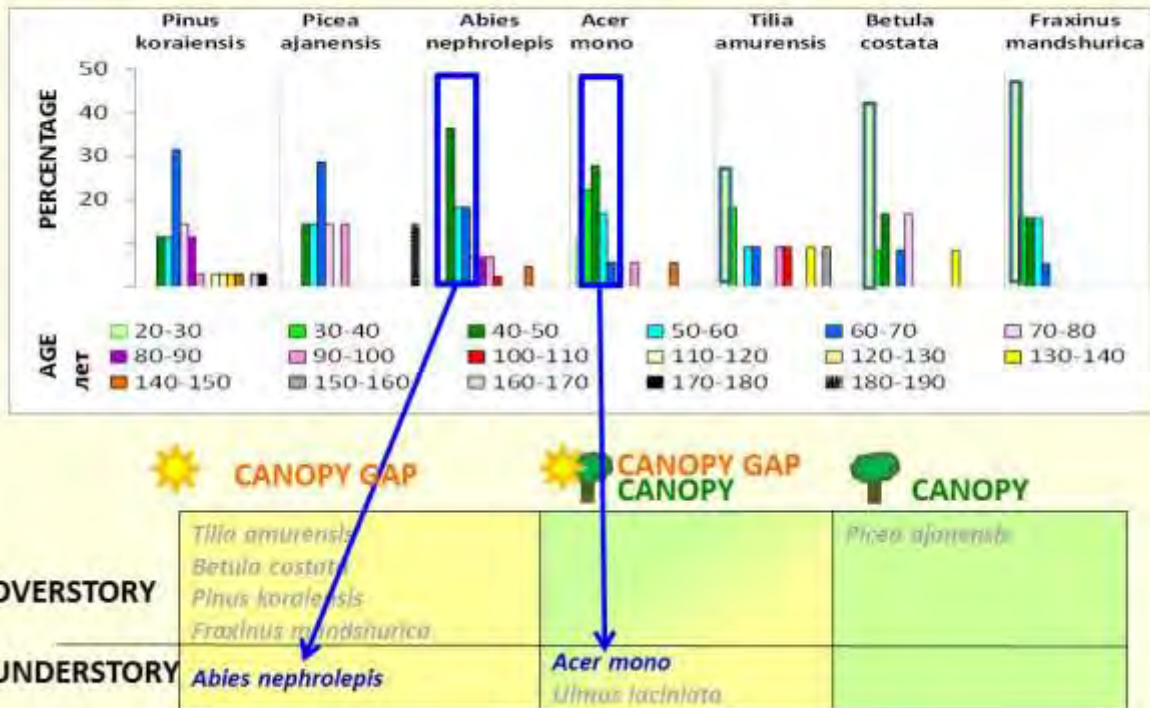
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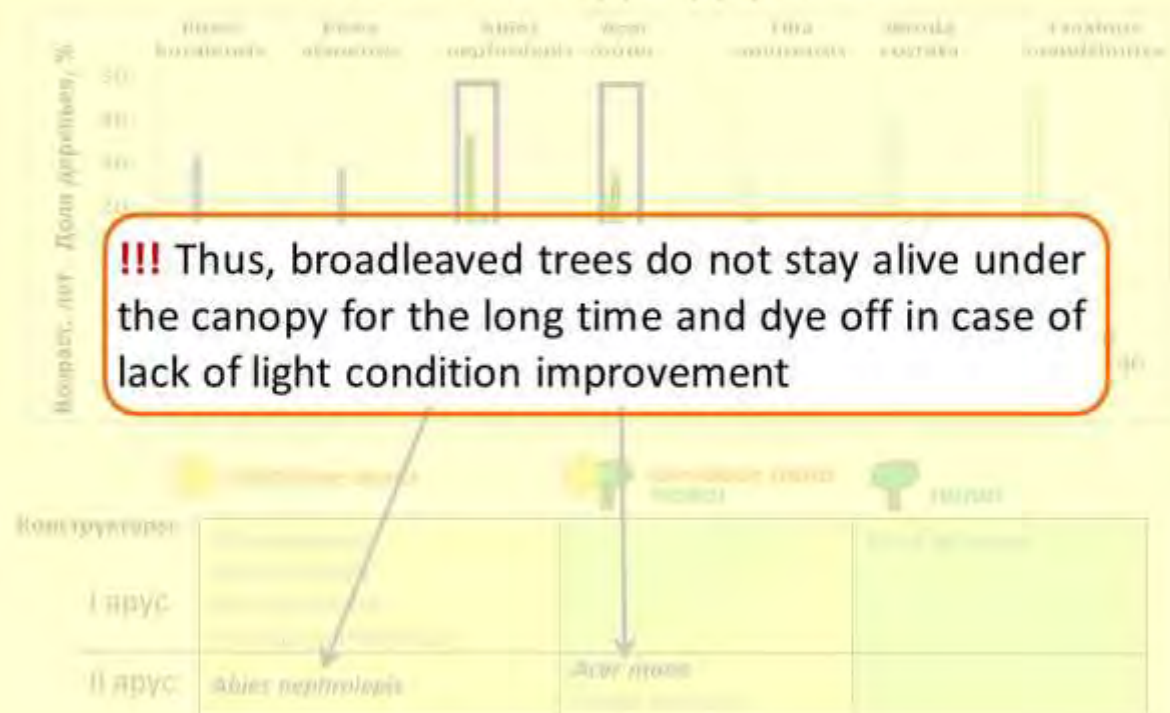




## FIRST ONTOGENETIC RELEASE



## Характеристика ускорений роста ключевых видов деревьев





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MIN GC  
+  
NO NARROW TREE RINGS

Trees went in a more light  
of the canopy before the  
formation of GAP and  
release

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MAX GC

The highest sensitivity on  
GAP formation

## Характеристика ускорений роста ключевых видов деревьев

Вид	Число одичных олец, шт.	Максимальный возраст, лет	Доля деревьев с ускорением роста, %	среднее для деревья количество ускорений роста, шт.	Максимальное значение для годового прироста, %
<i>Abies</i>					
<i>Aspen</i>					
<i>Betula</i>					
<i>Fir</i>					
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!!! *Pinus koraiensis* is able to show the growth release being under the closed canopy until 70 years old

максимальное изменение радиального прироста

+  
ширина самых узких колец – одна из наименьших

произрастание деревьев в наиболее экстремальных условиях (по сравнению с другими видами)

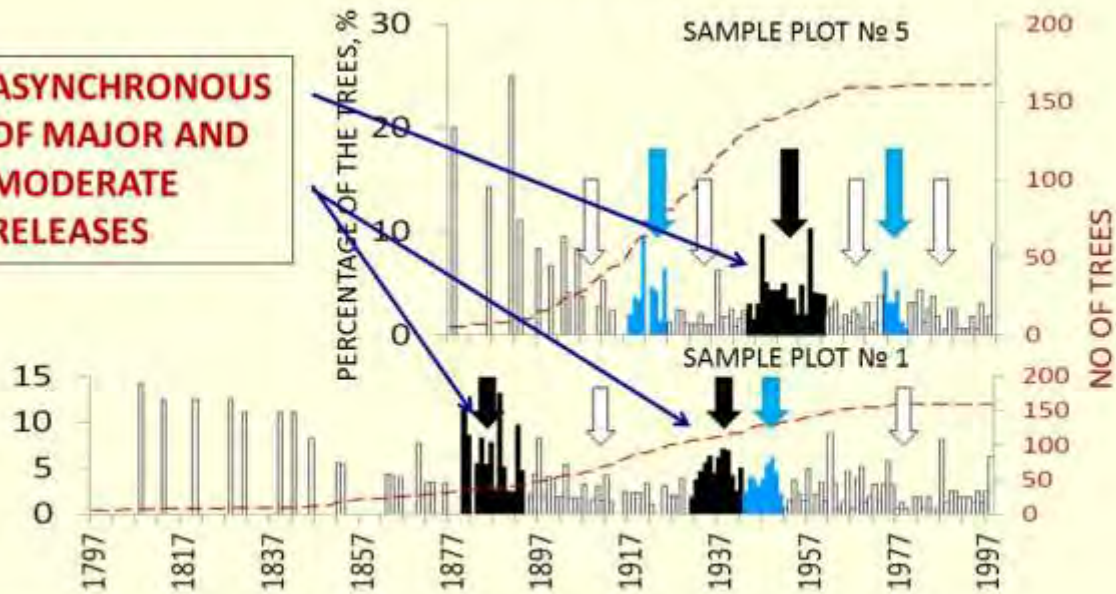
Но!!!!

способен произрастать под пологом до 70 и более лет

произрастает в северных широколиственно-кедровых лесах

## DISTURBANCE HISTORY

ASYNCHRONOUS OF MAJOR AND MODERATE RELEASES



- ➡ > 25% FOR 5 YEARS
- ➡ 20-25% FOR 5 YEARS
- ➡ < 20% FOR 5 YEARS
- MAJOR RELEASES
- MODERATE RELEASES



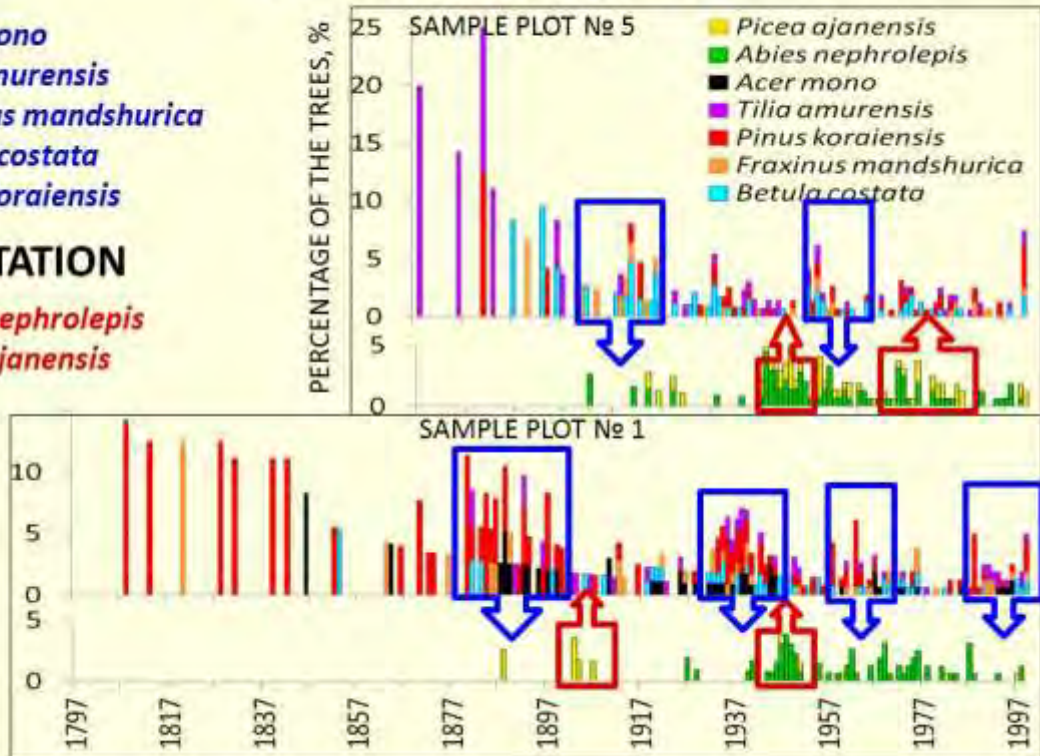
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### DISTURBANCE HISTORY

*Acer mono*  
*Tilia amurensis*  
*Fraxinus mandshurica*  
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*Pinus koraiensis*

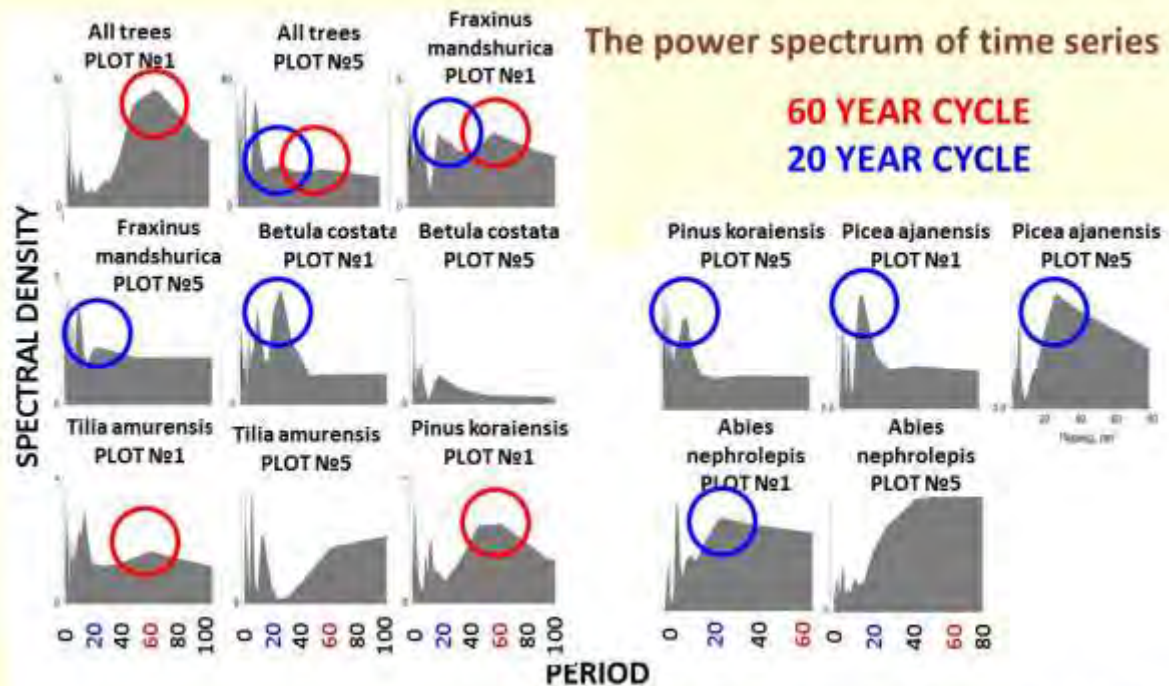
### ROTATION

*Abies nephrolepis*  
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### DOMINANT SPECIES RELEASE CYCLICITY



The power spectrum of time series

**60 YEAR CYCLE**  
**20 YEAR CYCLE**

Fourier Spectral Analysis (Statistica)





## **4) Climate, wildfire and forest management issues in Mongolia**

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Professor, National University of Mongolia





**International Workshop on Lessons Learnt and Challenges from Forest Long-term Ecological Research (LTER) in the Northeast Asian Region**  
Harbin, China, 20-24 September 2016

**Climate, wildfire and forest management issues in Mongolia  
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**Outline**

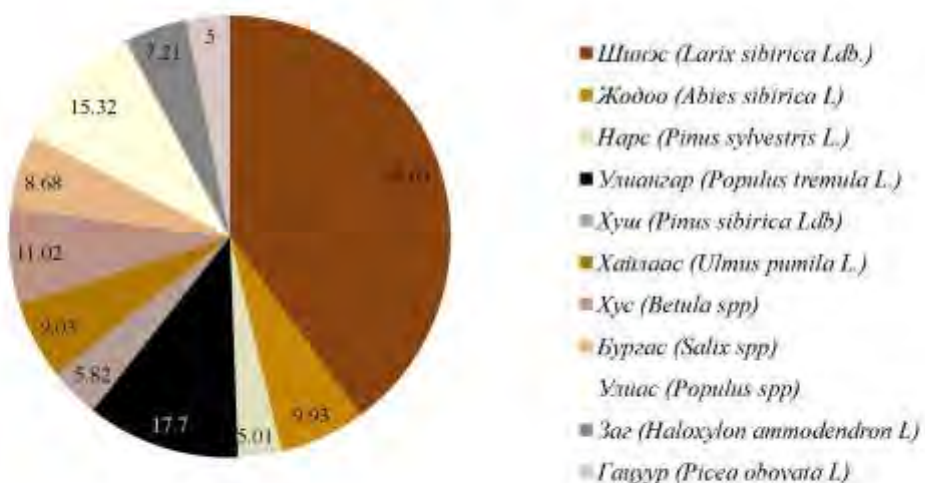
- Information about Mongolian forest ecosystems
- Forest and steppe fire and fire management
- Forestry Programme at the National University of Mongolia
- Forest Research and Training Center (University Forest) and its activities

## Mongolian forest



In 2010, the total forest land area of the country was estimated 12,9 million ha of closed forest which covers 8,3% of total land area of the Mongolia.

## Dominant forest tree species of Mongolia



## Key drivers of deforestation and forest degradation

	Driver	Direct causes	Indirect causes
1	Forest fires	80-95%, caused by humans	Perverse incentives in regulations
2	Illegal logging	Commercialized illegal logging; small-scale logging; fuel wood collection (cooking and heating)	Weak law enforcement; increasing demand for timber; poverty; lack of alternative fuel sources
3	Insect invasion	Moths and beetles	Lack of research
4	Forest disease		Lack of research
5	Grazing forest areas	Livestock damage on forest regeneration/regrowth	Increased number of livestock; lack of regulation
6	Mining industry	Clearing mining sites and chemical contamination	Mining license overlap with forested areas

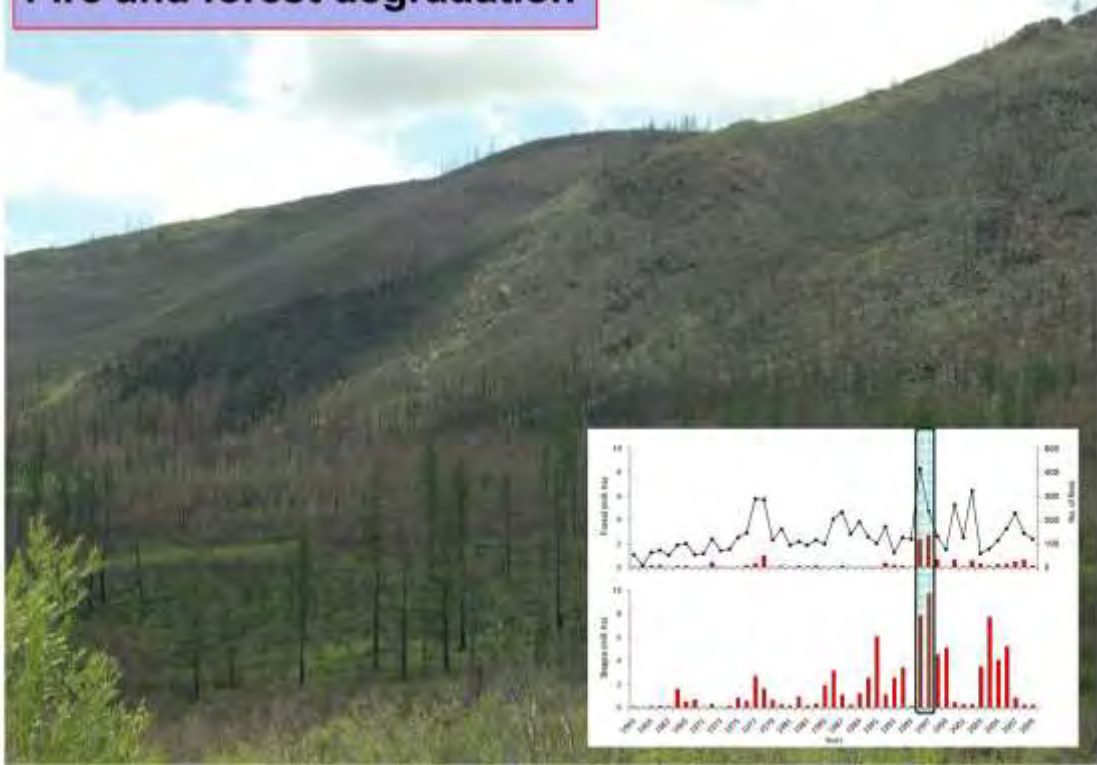
### Fire situations:

- **Socio-economic changes**
- **Environment, human and economic security issues**





## Fire and forest degradation



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**Fire and “steppeization” in Mongolia**



**Fire and “steppeization” in Kazakhstan**



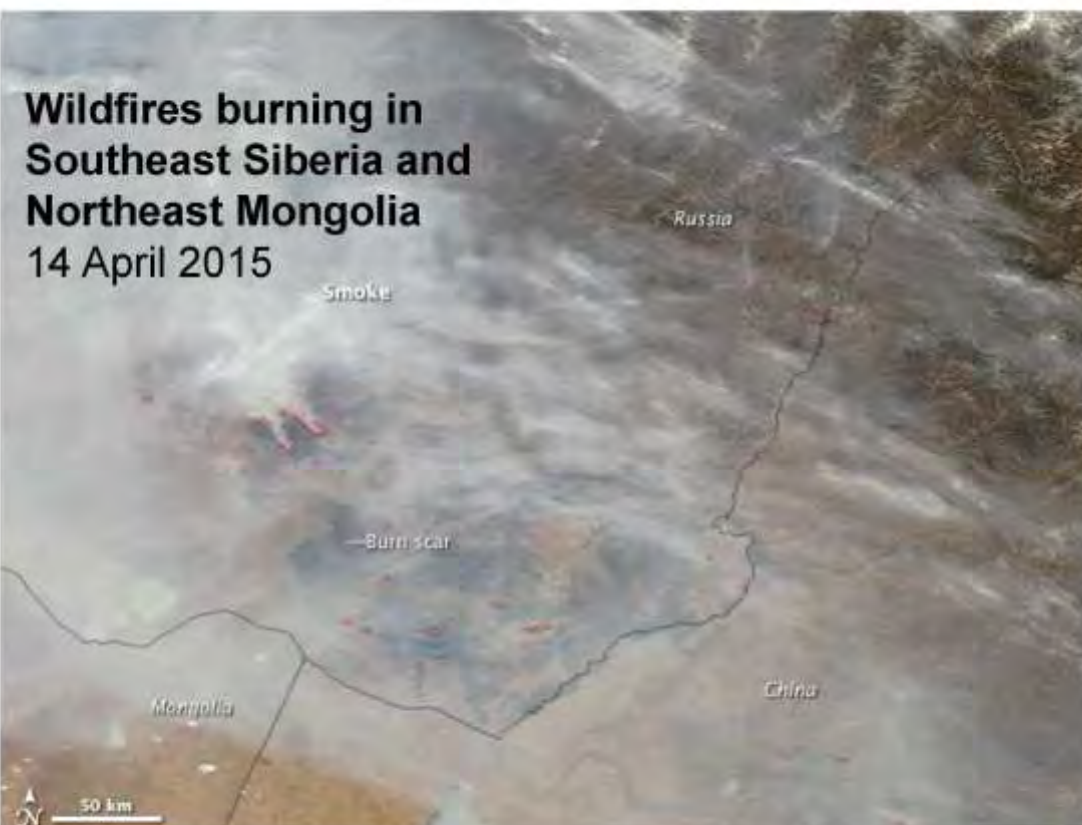




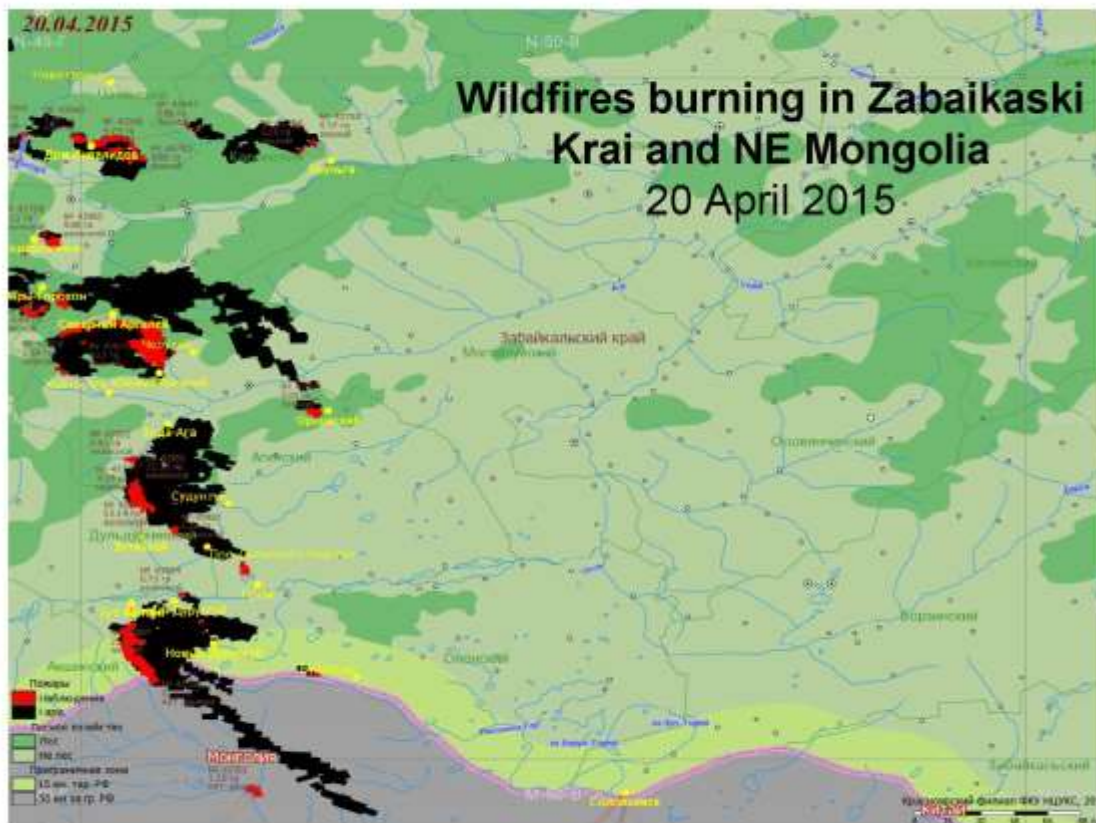
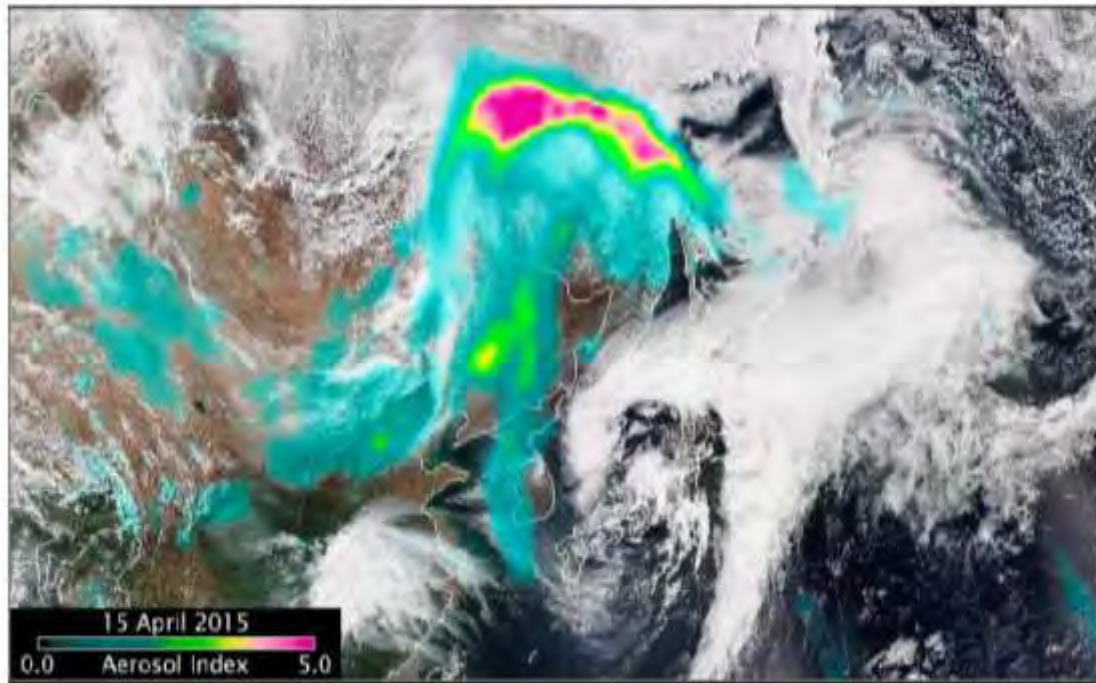


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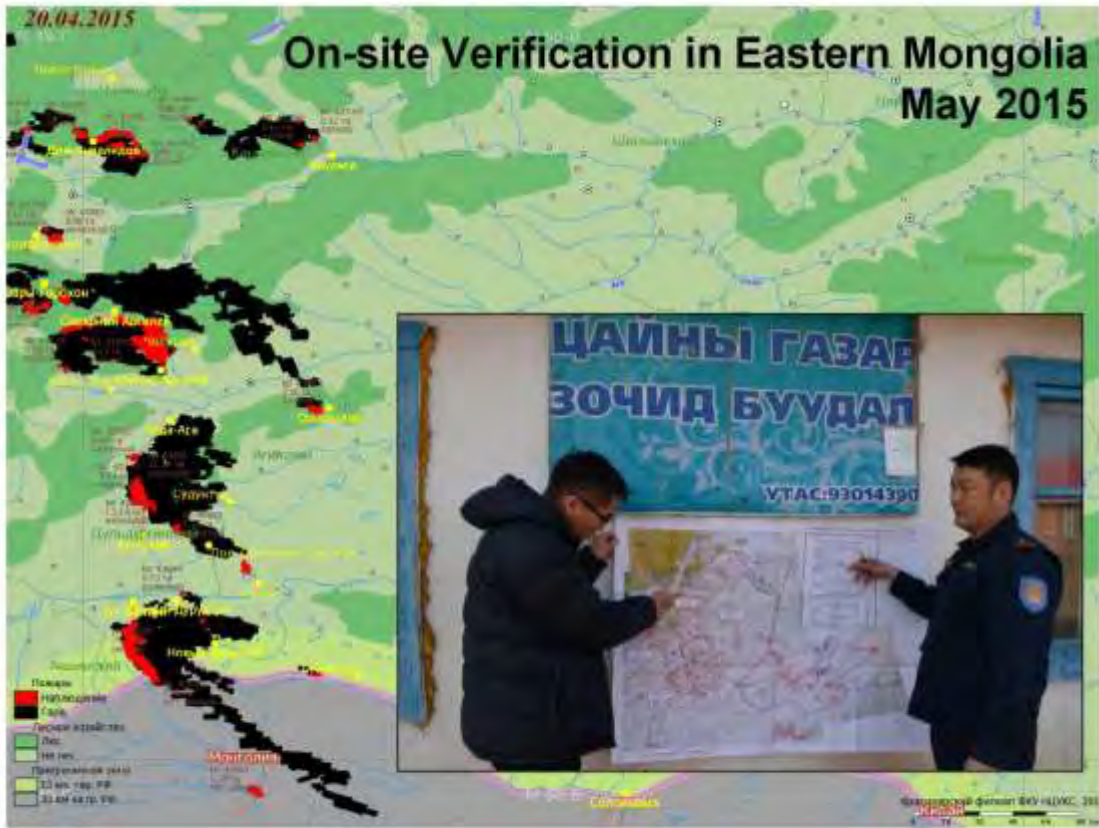
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## Smoke Export to the Pacific and North America April 2015









## National Inter-Agency Round Table May 2015



## Conference and Consultation Facilitated by GIZ and GFMC in 2008



On behalf of  
 Federal Ministry  
for Economic Cooperation  
and Development



## New fire fighting tools











**International Conference on Cross-boundary Fire Management (Irkutsk, Russia, 16-18 June 2010)**



**Emphasis:**

Enhancing efficiency and effectiveness of regional cooperation in fire management



## International Transboundary Cooperation

- Establishment international agreements on cross-boundary cooperation on forest and steppe fires (Russia, Mongolia-Russia agreement: 10-14 June 2014)



## Joint Mongolian-Russian Fire Exercise 2014





## Participation and support of the International Wildfire Preparedness Mechanism (IWPM)

<http://www.fire.uni-freiburg.de/iwpm/index.htm>

**International Wildfire Preparedness Mechanism (IWPM)**

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International Wildfire Preparedness Mechanism

**The IWPM in Brief**

**Background Reading**

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**Welcome to the Portal of the International Wildfire Preparedness Mechanism!**

The IWPM was developed in following up the UNCEPAC Regional Forum on Crossboundary Fire Management (UN Geneva, November 2013). The IWPM, currently hosted by the Global Fire Monitoring Center (GFMC), is a non-financial instrument serving as a broker / facilitator between national and international agencies, programmes and projects to exchange expertise and build capacities in wildfire fire management and particularly in enhancing preparedness to large wildfire emergency situations. The IWPM has been developed in tandem with the International Fire Aviation Guidelines and the International Manual of Common Rules for Fire Aviation.

National agencies responsible for the management of vegetation fires as well as projects seeking or offering expertise are encouraged to use the contact forms (contact details to GFMC are provided in the forms):

- **IWPM Contact Form for requesting assistance in wildfire preparedness (PDF)**
- **IWPM Contact Form for offering assistance in wildfire preparedness (PDF)**

### ➤ OSCE under the Chairmanship of Switzerland (2014):

- Supported the Establishment of the Regional Central Asia Fire Management Resource Center, 2015 (RCAFMRC)
- Partnership of Mongolian authorities, OSCE, Switzerland and GFMC



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**PROGRAMME IN FORESTRY**



## JOINT INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS

YEARS	PROJECT TITLE	RESEARCH FUND	PI'S
2012~	Seabuckthorn ( <i>Hippophae rhamnoides</i> L.), plantation and development of medicinal and cosmetic products	Dongguk University, ROK	Prof. N. Batkhuu
2013-2016	"Strengthening Research Capacity for Sustainable Forest Management in Mongolia-StreFoMon"	Finnish Forest Research Institute (Metla)	Prof. N. Baatarbileg
2011-2014	"CNH: Pluvial, Drought, Energetics and the Mongol Empire"	National Science Foundation, US	Prof. N. Baatarbileg
2014-2015	Multipurpose National Forest Inventory – quality control team	GIZ, Germany	Prof. N. Baatarbileg
2013~	Building Research And Teaching Capacity To Aid Climate Change And Natural Resource Management At The National University Of Mongolia	National Science Foundation, US	Prof. N. Baatarbileg
2013~	Biodiversity Research Program and Establishment of Joint Long Term Ecological Research Station in Mongolia	National Institute of Biological Resources, ROK	Prof. N. Batkhuu
2008-2017	Korea-Mongolia Joint "Green Belt" Plantation project		Prof. N. Batkhuu
2013-2016	"Studies on the collection of Wild plant seeds and Seed Vault in Northeast Asia" and "Establishment of East Asia Biodiversity Conservation Network"	Korea National Arboretum, ROK	Prof. N. Batkhuu
2013-2016	Evaluation of Camelina ( <i>Camelina sativa</i> L.)'s productivity and adaptation test pilot project in Mongolia	Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, ROK	Prof. N. Batkhuu

### Forest Research and Training Center (University Forest) National University of Mongolia







## Vision of the University Forest

- Since 2005, Dept. of Forestry got permission to use 2000 ha of forest area with 60 years of contract.
- It is located 80 km north of Ulaanbaatar
- We are started to establish Long-Term Forest Ecological Research Sites
- Planting different species of tree and woody plants and bushes for the reforestation and restoration of degraded forest land







## Tree Ring Laboratory

Tree ring laboratory at National University of Mongolia was established in 1996 and lead by Prof. Baatarbileg Nachin. Since then this laboratory implemented and completed many research studies in related to dendrochronological science. Following projects have been implemented by this laboratory: This laboratory fully equipped by dendrochronological tools and equipment that required by worldwide standards of dendrochronological lab. Outcomes and results of implemented projects have already published in international science peer reviewed journals

Implemented projects	Duration, by years	Funded by	Funding amount
Mongolian American Tree Ring Project	1996-2006	National Science Foundation of USA	500 000,00USD
Air pollution effect on forest ( by dendrochemical methods)	2004-2005	Asian Research Center, National University of Mongolia	5 000 000,00 MNT
Dendro-dating of temples and monasteries	2005-2006	National Science Foundation, Academy of Sciences Mongolia	15 000 000,00 MNT
Dendrodating of Morin nuur (horse head teddie)		Asian Research Center, National University of Mongolia	5 000 000,00 MNT
Reconstruction of insect outbreak frequency of Bogd Khan Mountain, using dendrochronological method	2007-2008	American Center for Mongolian Studies, Ulaanbaatar	4 000 000,00 MNT
Climate, Fire and Forest History of Mongolia	2009-2013	National Science Foundation of USA	150 000,00 USD
Pluvial, droughts and Mongol Empire	2012-2014	National Science Foundation of USA	200 000,00 USD
Building Research And Teaching Capacity To Aid Climate Change And Natural Resource Management At The National University Of Mongolia	2013-2016	National Science Foundation of USA	165 393,00 USD

## Forest Ecosystem Monitoring Laboratory

This laboratory has officially established in 2014. But related projects are already started even before.

Implemented projects	Duration, by years	Funded by	Funding amount,
Multipurpose National Forest Inventory – quality control team	2014-2015	GIZ and Ministry of Environment and Green Development of Mongolia	250 000,00 EU
Capacity Building of Higher education	2014	Asian Development bank	38 000,00 CAD
Consulting on introducing containerized seedlings in tree nursery	2013-2014	Ministry of Environment and Green Development of Mongolia and Institute of Forest Research And Development	20 000 000,00MNT
Introducing mycorrhizal inoculation in seedling nursery	2014-2015	Ministry of Environment and Green Development of Mongolia and Institute of Forest Research And Development	20 000 000,00MNT
Strengthening research capacity of Sustainable forest management of Mongolia	2011-2013	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Finland and Ministry of Green Development of Mongolia Cooperation with NUM and Natural Resources Institute of Finland (LUKE)	500 000,00



Project title: "Forest carbon monitoring research"

Implementing Organization(s): National University of Mongolia and Hokkaido University, Japan



### LONG-TERM FOREST CARBON MONITORING

Hokkaido University, Japan and National University of Mongolia





## Laboratory of Forest Genetics and Ecophysiology

Officially established January, 2015 with support of:

A. Ministry of Education, Science and Culture: 46,940,000.00 MNT

B. Initiator's collected support: 80,551,967.00 MNT

C. National University of Mongolia: 6,980,000.00 MNT

Total fund for establishment of the Laboratory: 134,471,967.00 MNT



Project title: "Biodiversity Research Program and Establishment of Mongolia-Korea Biodiversity Research Cooperation Center" at the National University of Mongolia, Mongolia  
Implementing Organization(s): National University of Mongolia and National Institute of Biological Resources, ROK



**“Biodiversity Research Program and Establishment of Mongolia-Korea Biodiversity Research Cooperation Center” at the National University of Mongolia”**



**Total budget: 102,694,422.00 MNT**

**Project title: “Establishment of Forest of Compassion-한-몽 자비의 숲 Cooperation project”  
–Чацаргана төсөл  
Implementing Organization(s): National University of Mongolia and Dongguk University,  
ROK**



**Seabuckthorn (*Hippophae rhamnoides* L.), plantation and development of medicinal and cosmetic products**  
**Dongguk University, ROK and National University of Mongolia**



**Total budget: 88,228,349.00 MNT**



## **5) Korean forest long-term ecological research under changing climate**

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# Korean Forest LTER under Changing Climate

2016. 9. 21.

Chun, Junghwa

National Institute of Forest Science



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# I. Background



## Environment of Korea Peninsula

### Geography

- Latitude : 33°06' ~ 43°00', Longitude : 124°11' ~ 131°53'
- Average Elevation : 420 m
- Land area : 221,000 km<sup>2</sup> (South Korea : 99,660 km<sup>2</sup>, 45%)
- Forest area : 70% of total land area (South Korea : 65%)

### Climate

- Annual mean Temperature (four different seasons)  
South : 12-14°C, Central : 10-12°C, North : 5-10°C



# Korea – a Country of Mountains & Forests



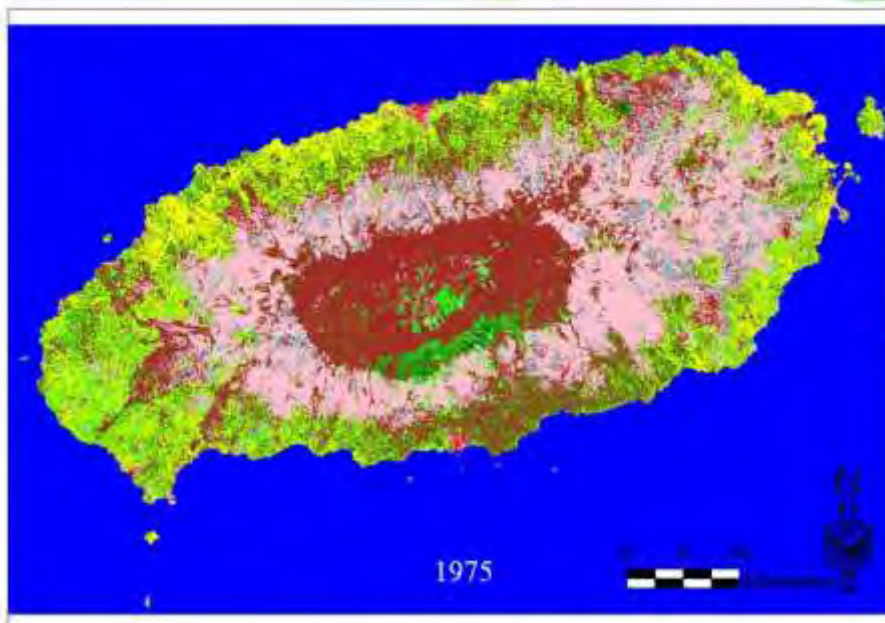
## Greening Korea

- ☞ Korea, a mountainous country with 64% of its land in forests, has a long history of its people living in close relationship with forests.
- ☞ Throughout the long history of Korea, the wise management of forests and water resources has been high on national agenda.
- ☞ During the first half of 20<sup>th</sup> century, severe deforestation had occurred across the Korea, due to widespread illegal cuttings and overcutting practices.
- ☞ Since the early 1970s, rehabilitation activities of forest lands have been strongly propelled in order to green the country again.

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# Fast rate of land cover change



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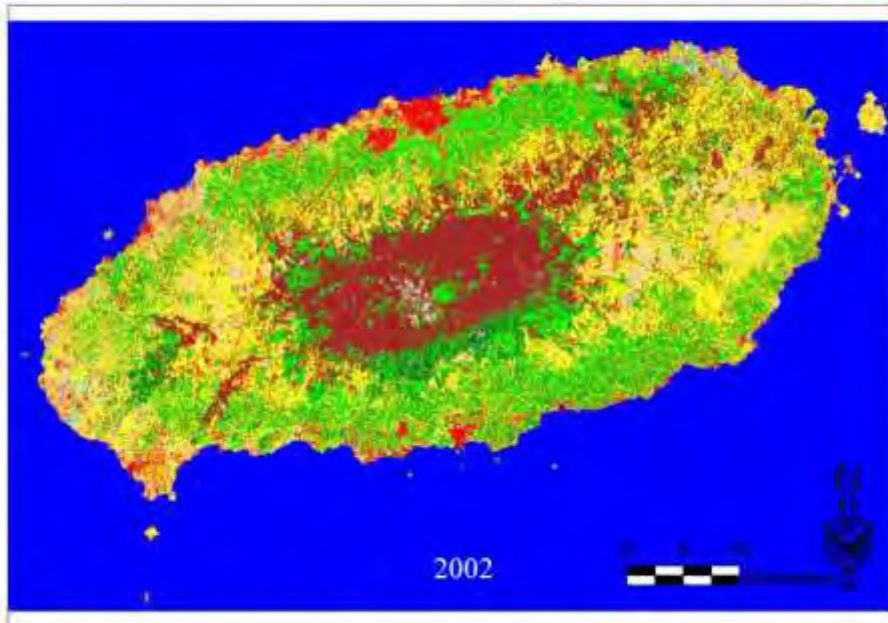
- Water body
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- Evergreen conifer forest
- Evergreen broadleaved forest
- Grassland or sparse forest
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- Urban area

Chun, 2006

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## Increase in CO<sub>2</sub> concentration

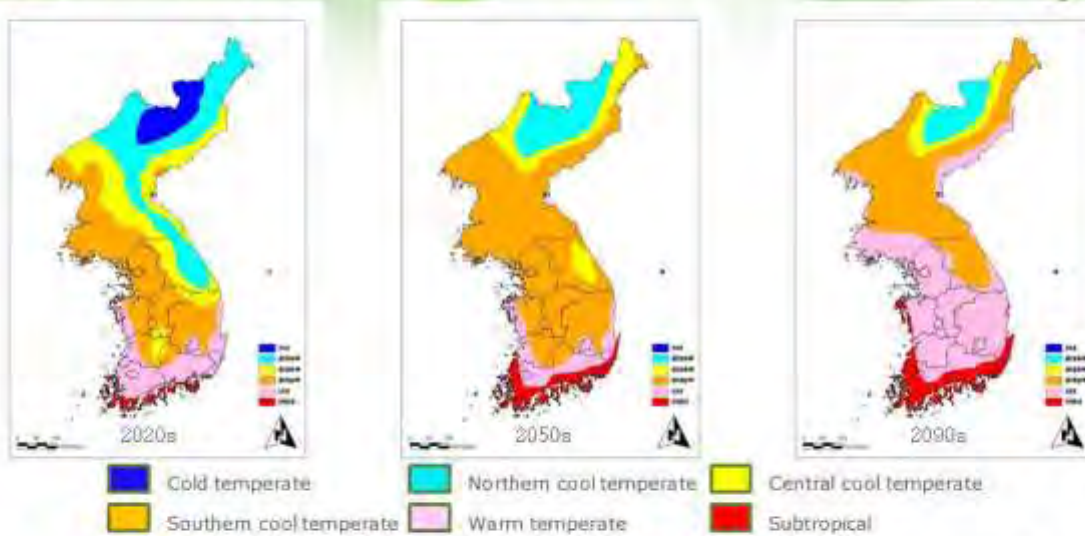


- Daily average concentration of CO<sub>2</sub> in the atmosphere surpassed 400ppm for the first time at the Mauna Loa Observatory in Hawaii.
- 3~6°C increase in mean annual temperature is expected by 2100 according to IPCC RCP 8.5 climate change scenarios.
- Ice core samples collected in Antarctica are not only used to support theories of climate change but also disprove it.

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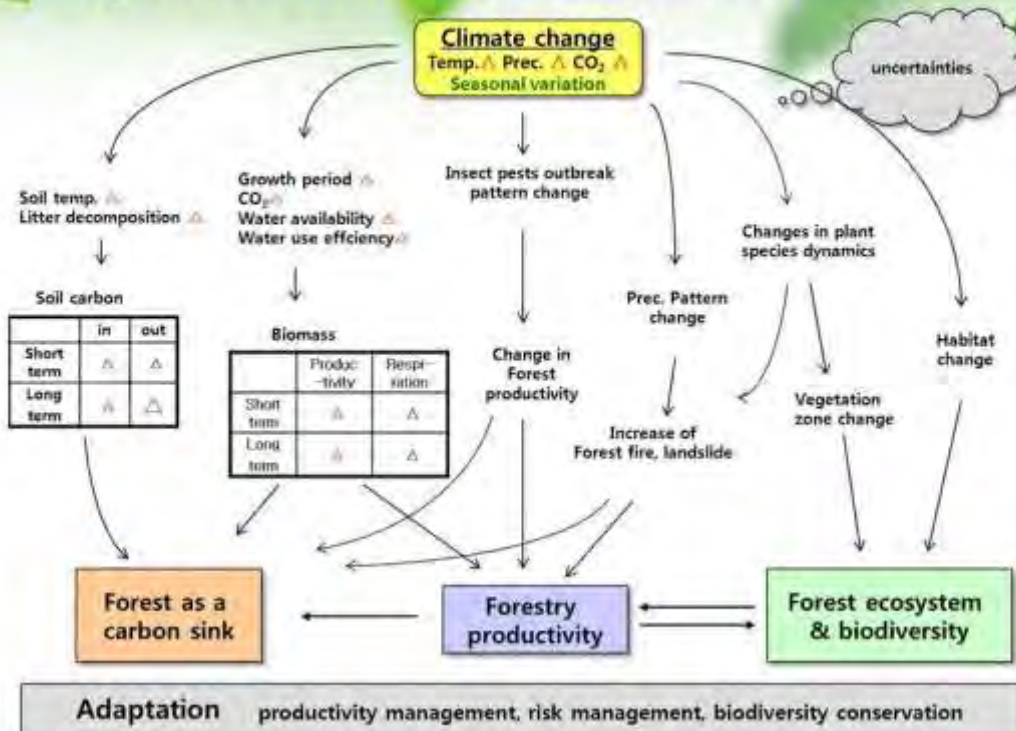
## Shifts of Vegetation Zones



- Korea has experienced 1.5°C increase of mean air temperature during the last 100 years
- 3~6°C increase is expected by IPCC RCP 8.5 climate change scenarios.

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## Expected Effects of Climate Change



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# Public Opinion on Climate Change

: Gallup Poll(2007~8)

Country	Awareness	Caused by human activity	Perceived as threat
Japan	99	91	90
Finland	98	53	39
Australia	97	46	75
United Kingdom	97	48	69
United States	97	49	63
Norway	97	47	43
Germany	96	58	60
Netherlands	96	44	57
Sweden	96	64	66
Luxembourg	95	60	75
Canada	95	61	74
Austria	95	51	44
Iceland	95	38	33
Ireland	94	66	60
South Korea	93	92	80
Hungary	93	66	75
France	93	53	75
Hong Kong	93	78	54
Taiwan	91	70	70
Lithuania	91	50	47
South Korea	93	92	80
Japan	99	91	90
Costa Rica	75	87	72
Greece	87	84	82
Argentina	75	81	71
Ecuador	70	81	69
Tajikistan	43	81	19
Brazil	79	80	76
Portugal	90	79	85
Paraguay	58	79	54
Hong Kong	93	78	54
Chile	73	78	68
Colombia	68	77	65
Jordan and Tobago	72	76	71
Uruguay	73	75	68
El Salvador	55	75	51
Panama	85	73	61
Bolivia	55	73	51
Peru	62	72	58
Guatemala	57	72	51

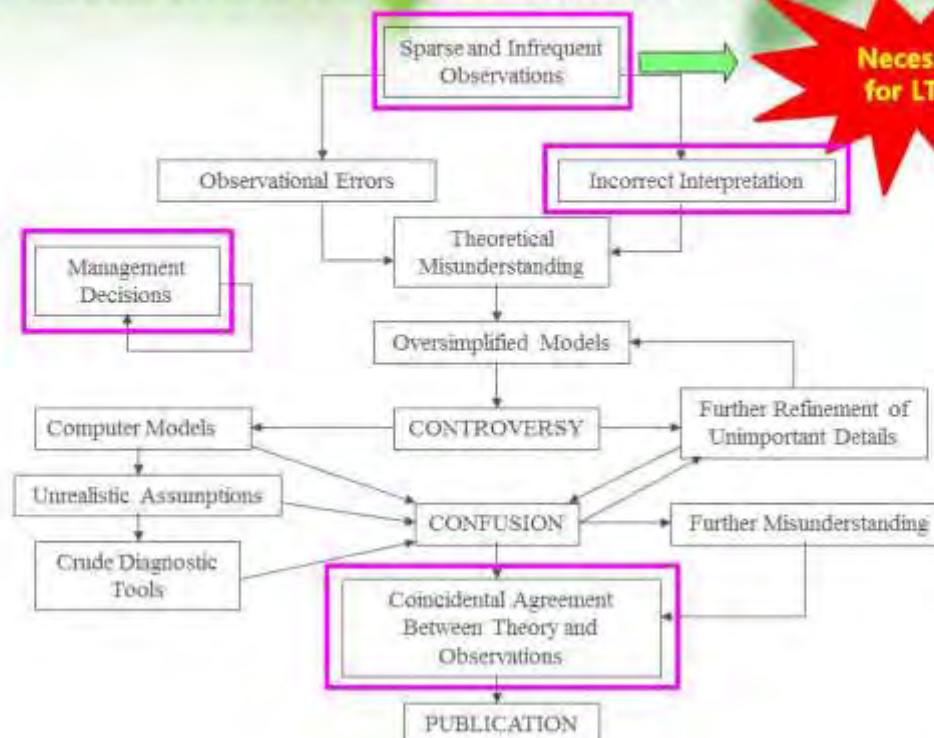
Where is Al Gore on the right table?

Are Japanese and Korean people simple and innocent?

Climate change skeptics believe that science put the blame on humanity without enough scientific proof to back it up.

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## Cynic's View of the Interface Between Ecological Research and Management (Hobbs, 1998)



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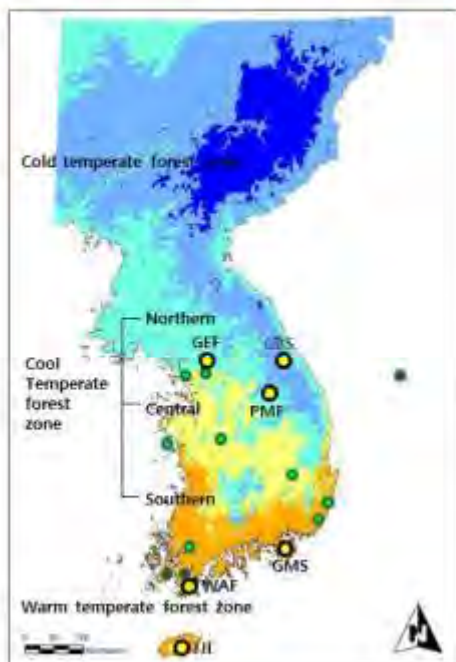


## II. Long-Term Ecosystem Monitoring

### Is Korean Forest Ecosystem Really Being Affected by Climate Change?



### KFRI LTER sites



1. Mt. Gyeongbongsan Forest (GBS) 1995 ~  
- Deciduous broad-leaved and conifer
2. Gwangneung Exp. Forest (GEF) 1996 ~  
- Super site; multidisciplinary researches  
- Deciduous broad-leaved
3. Mt. Geumsan Forest (GMS) 2002 ~  
- Deciduous & evergreen conifer
4. Jeju-do island (JJI) 2004 ~  
- from warm temperate to cold  
- Deciduous & evergreen broad-leaved, conifer
5. Pyongyang Model Forest (PMF) 2014 ~  
- Deciduous broad-leaved and conifer
6. Wando Arboretum Forest (WAF) 2014 ~  
- Deciduous & evergreen broad-leaved

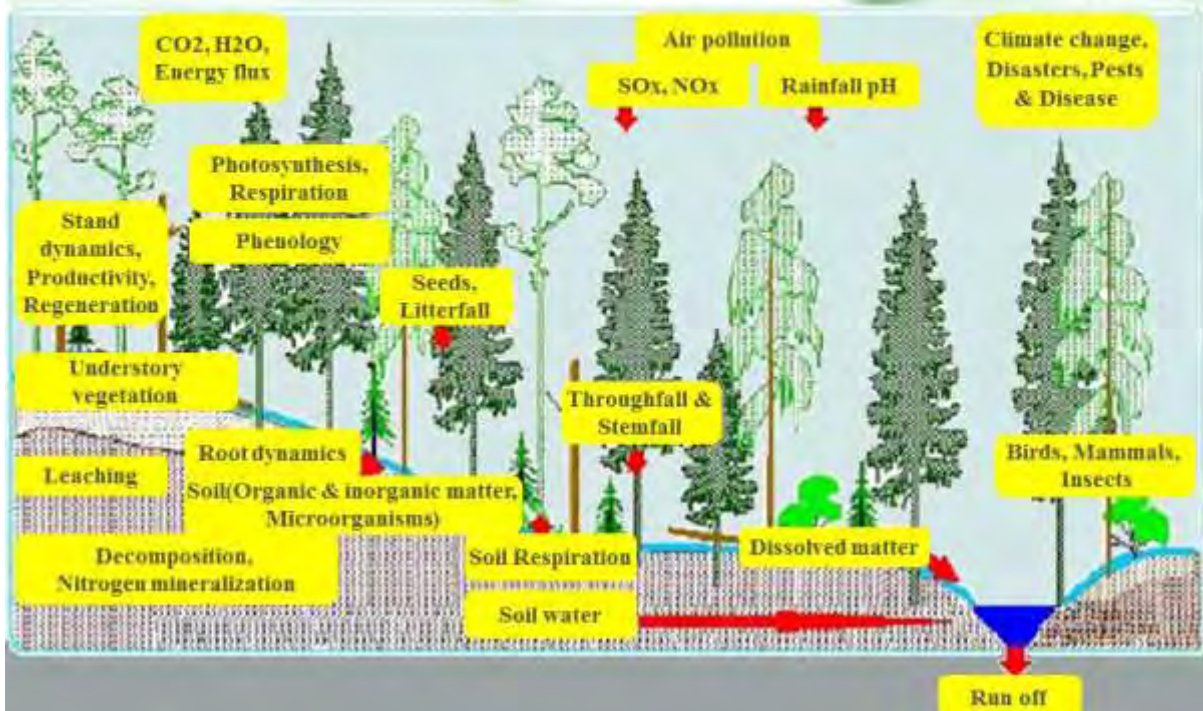
- Forests around major cities
- Islands and warm temperate natural forests



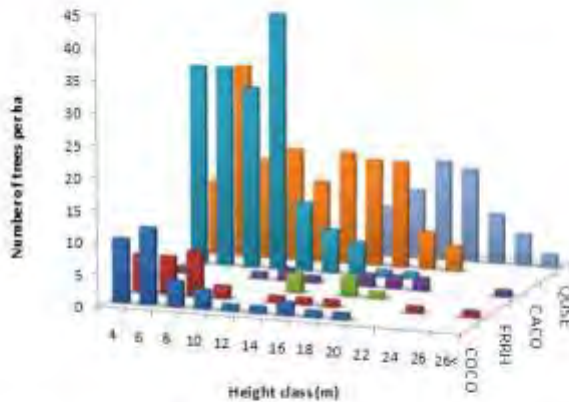
# Major LTER sites



# Complexity of Forest Ecosystem



## Stand Structure (GEF)



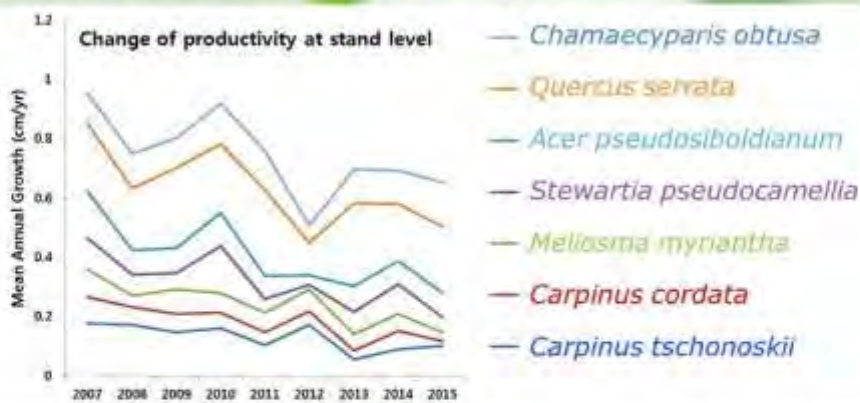
Stemmap and Coarse woody debris map

### Tree Species Composition (GEF)

Dominant species : *Quercus serrata* (51%), *Carpinus laxiflora* (23%)  
 Others: *C. cordata*, *Cornus* spp., *Acer* spp., *Celtis jessoensis*, *Pinus* spp., *Prunus* spp., *Fraxinus rhynchophylla*, *Sorbus alnifolia* etc.

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## Stand Structure (GMS)



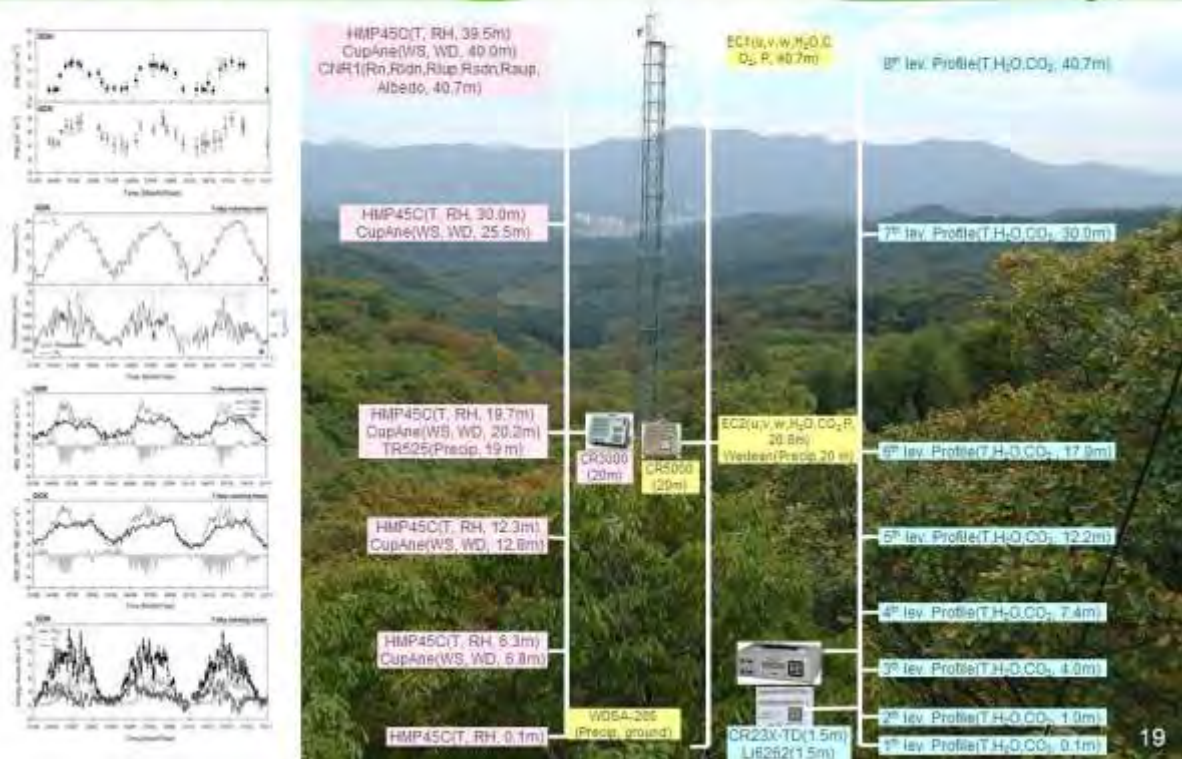
	Annual mean temperature	Annual precipitation	Mean temperature of growing season	Mean temperature of Spring season	GDD	Precipitation of growing season	Precipitation of Spring season
<i>Carpinus tschonoskii</i>	-.047	-.284	-.672	-.381	-.631	-.278	.300
<i>Carpinus cordata</i>	-.144	-.484	-.516	-.701	-.543	-.419	.633
<i>Meliosma myriantha</i>	-.567	-.269	-.568	-.715	-.636	-.153	.887
<i>Stewartia pseudocamellia</i>	.225	-.309	-.020	.172	.053	-.211	.066
<i>Acer pseudosiboldianum</i>	-.172	-.199	-.541	-.325	-.517	.024	.275
<i>Quercus serrata</i>	-.083	-.163	.022	-.159	.021	.072	-.155
<i>Chamaecyparis obtusa</i>	.485	-.007	.262	.370	.364	.102	-.518

Statistical relationships between tree growth and weather conditions.

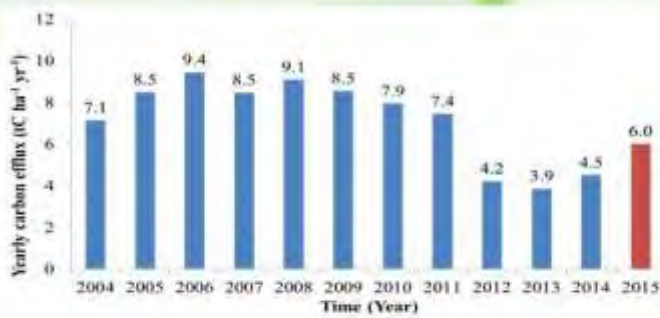
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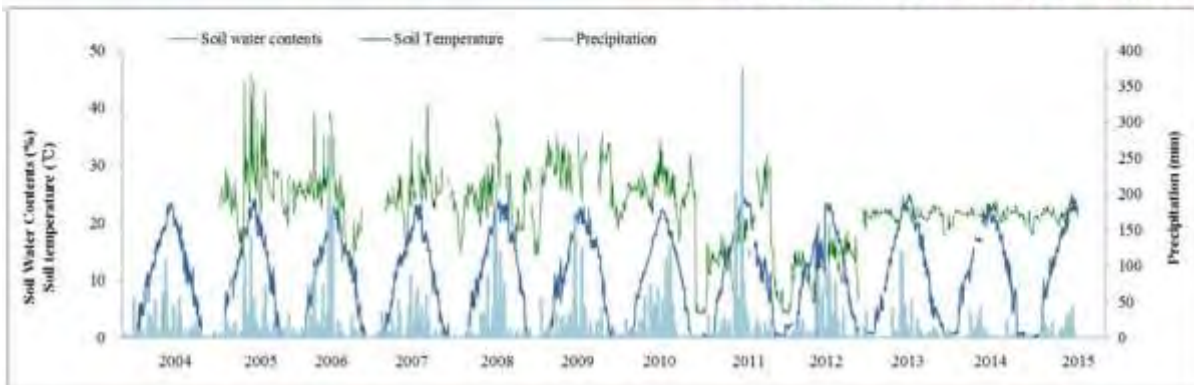
# Eddy Covariance Flux Measurement



# Soil Respiration (GEF)



(AOCC ; Automatic Open/Closing Chamber system)





# Plant Species Diversity (GEF)

	S	E	H'	D'
2003	15.9	0.91	2.48	0.882
2008	12.8	0.91	2.27	0.859
2013	28.6	0.68	2.28	0.847

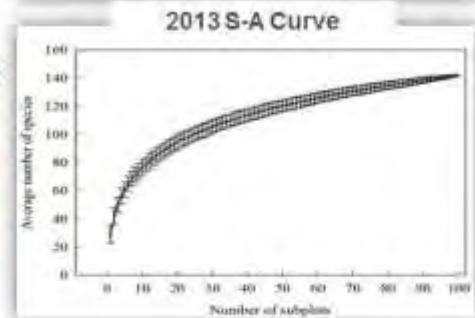
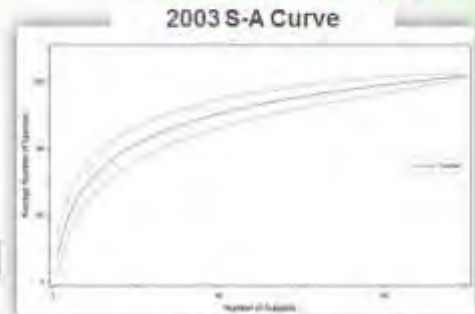
S: Average species richness in the plots  
 E: Average evenness of species values in the plots  
 H: Average Shannon's diversity index  
 D: Average Simpson's diversity index



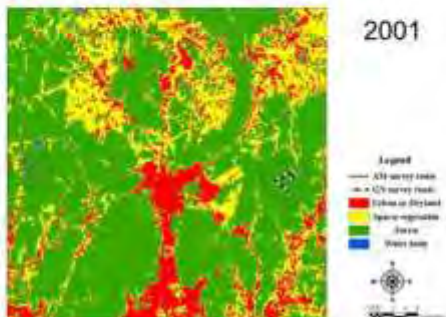
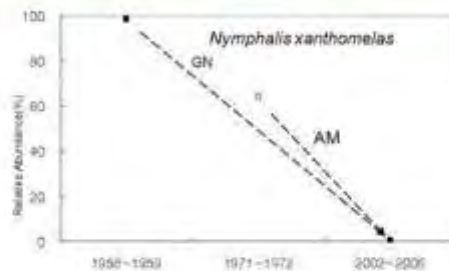
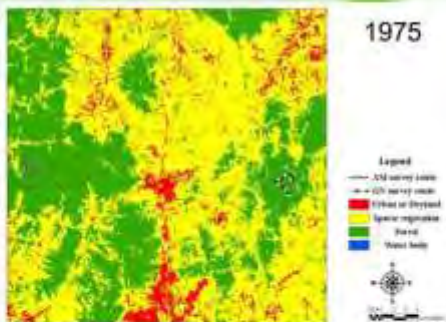
*Iris minutiaurea*



*Epimedium koreanum*

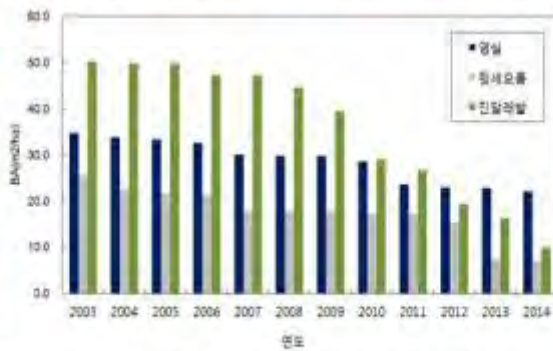


# Wildlife Diversity (GEF)



Butterfly monitoring: northern species decrease while southern species increase

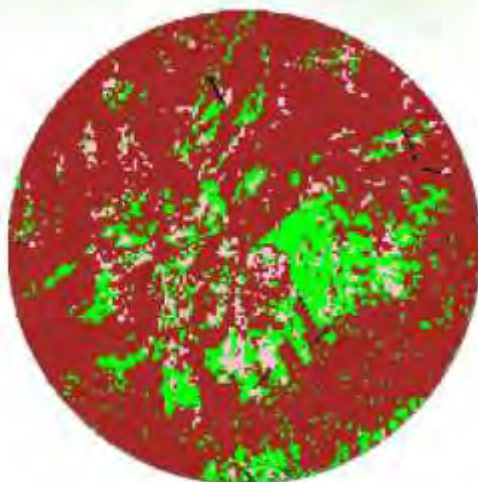
## High Mountain Tree Species



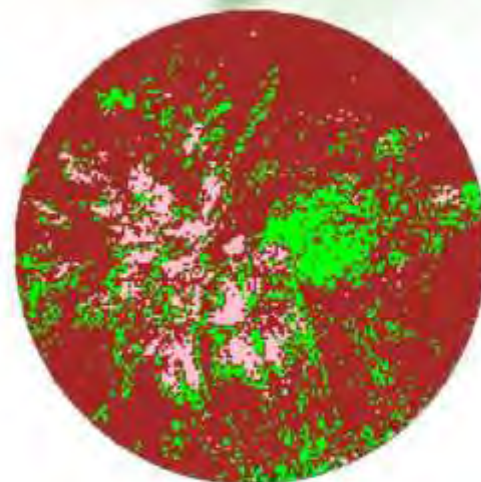
Dieback of Korean fir (*Abies koreana*) on Mt. Hallasan in Jeju island

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## High Mountain Tree Species



1975



2002

Korean fir (green) decline and grassland (pink) increase around the peak of Mt. Hallasan in Jeju island

Chun, 2006

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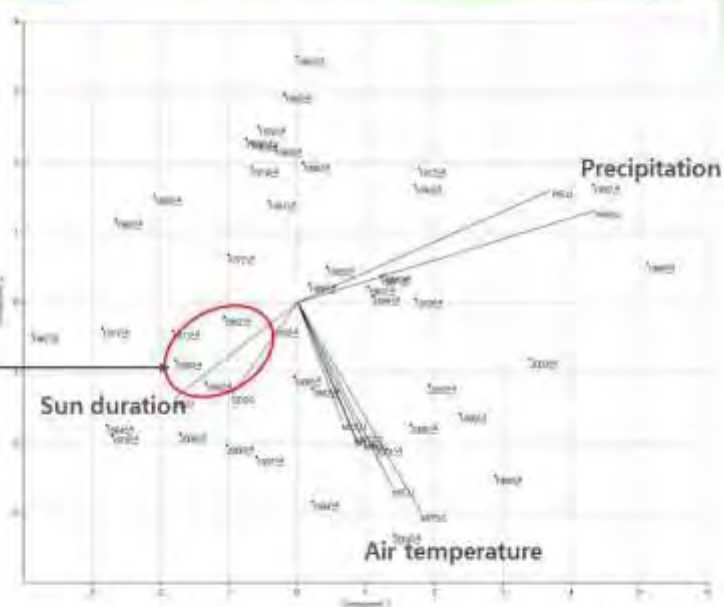
# High Mountain Tree Species

Table 1. Pruner years of *Abies Koreana* in each sampled tree

Tree No.	Pruner year(s) (pruned diameter growth distance)					
HENAK0		82	76	76		84
HENAK0	86	88	82	76	71	
HENAK0	88	82	78			84
HENAK0	86	88	78			84
HENAK0	86	84	82		71	
HENAK0	80	82				
HENAK0		87				
HENAK0	88	87	82	76	87	80
HENAK0		82		80		84
HENAK1	86					
HENAK1	88	82		87	88	
HENAK1						
HENAK1	86	87	82	76	85	
HENAK1	86	90	82	78		
HENAK1	86			77		
HENAK1				74		
HENAK1	88	82				
HENAK1	86	88				
HENAK1	86					
HENAK2	88	82	78			
HENAK2	88	82				

*Koo et al., 2001*

\*The numbers indicate the years in 1980's.



PCA using 10 Climatic variables recorded at the Jeju and Seogwipo Weather Stations in Jeju island.

Deficit in precipitation seems to be one of the causes of decline.

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# Phenology – Leaf Growth

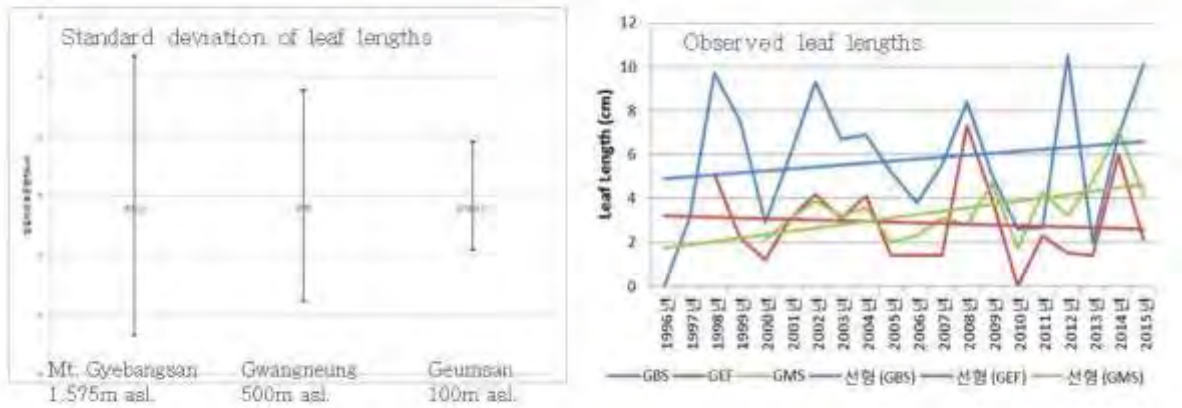


Leaf lengths of *Quercus serrata* at GEF on the same dates

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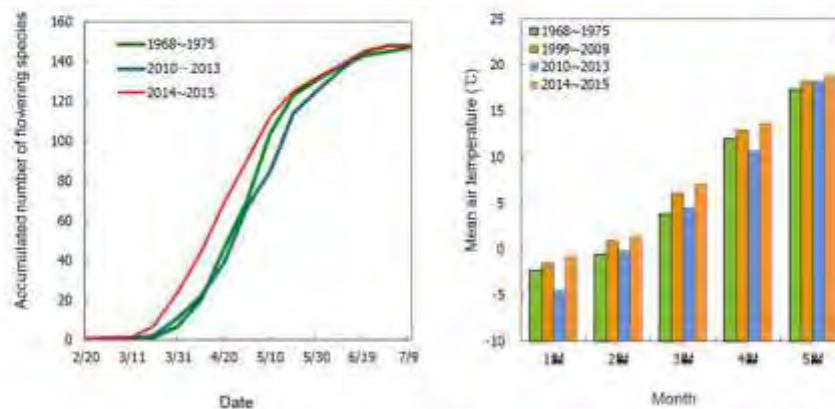
## Phenology – Leaf Growth



- It is quite apparent that tree growth in mountainous area is sensitive to the change of weather conditions.

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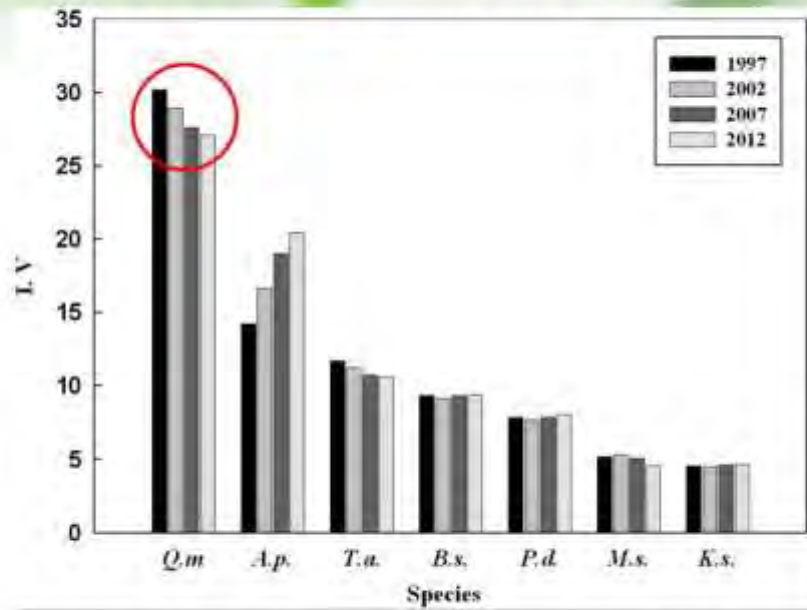
## Phenology – Flowering



- Increased mean temperature in Spring has advanced the time of flowering for some species by about 8 days in Hongneung forest in Seoul. But some others were delayed or remain constant.

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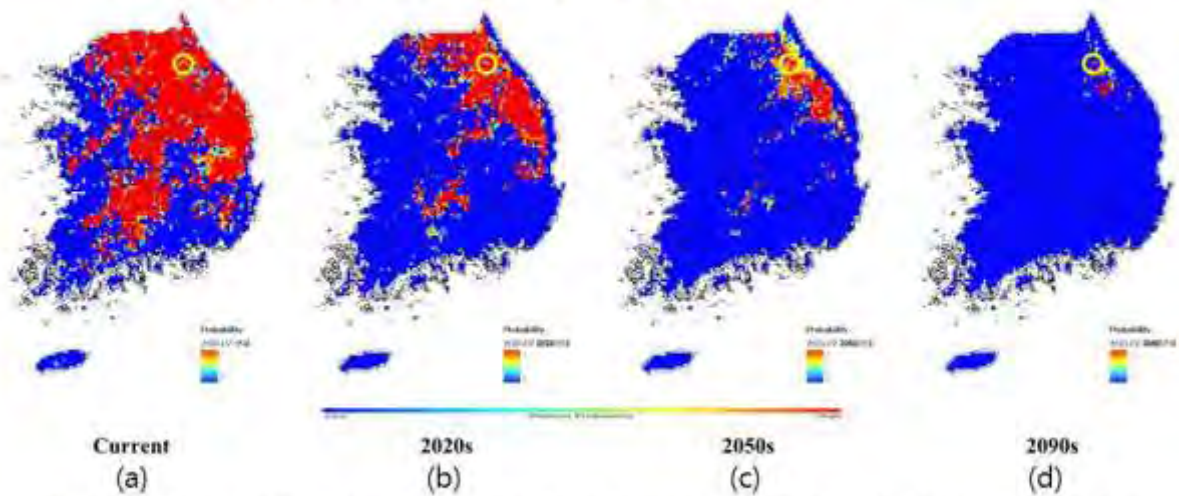
## Change of stand structure (GBS)



*Q.m.*- *Quercus mongolica*, *A. p.*- *Acer pseudosiboldianum*,  
*T.a.*- *Tilia amurensis*, *B.s.*- *Betula Schmidtii*, *P.d.*- *Pinus densiflora*,  
*M.s.*- *Maackia amurensis*, *K.s.*-*Kalopanax septemlobus*

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## Potential Distribution based on Ecological Niche Model(ENM) and RCP 8.5 climate change scenarios



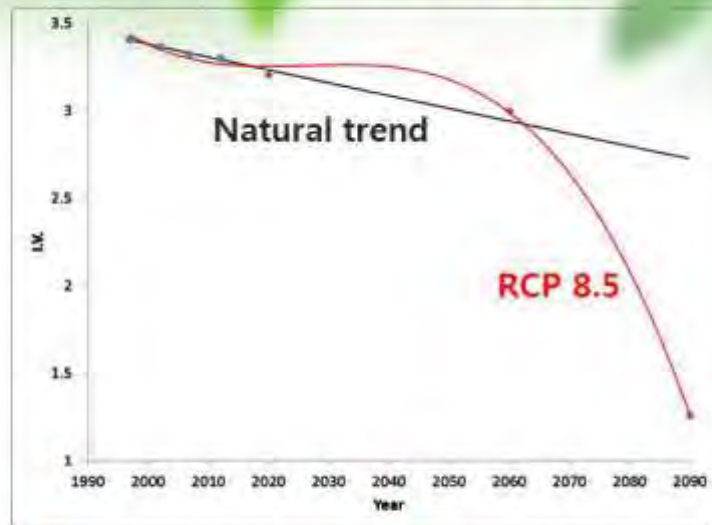
Potential distribution of *Q. mongolica* ((a) Current, (b) 2020s, (c) 2050s, (d) 2090s)

Yellow circles: Location of GBS LTER site

Chun, 2013

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## Verification of modeled results



◆ Observed      ◆ ENM-Simulated

- To see is to believe; Verification feedback based on the field data is needed to correct modeled errors.

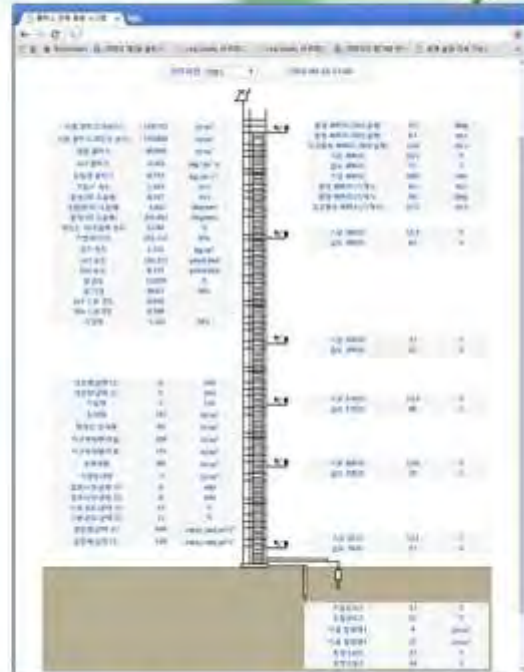
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## III. Recent approaches



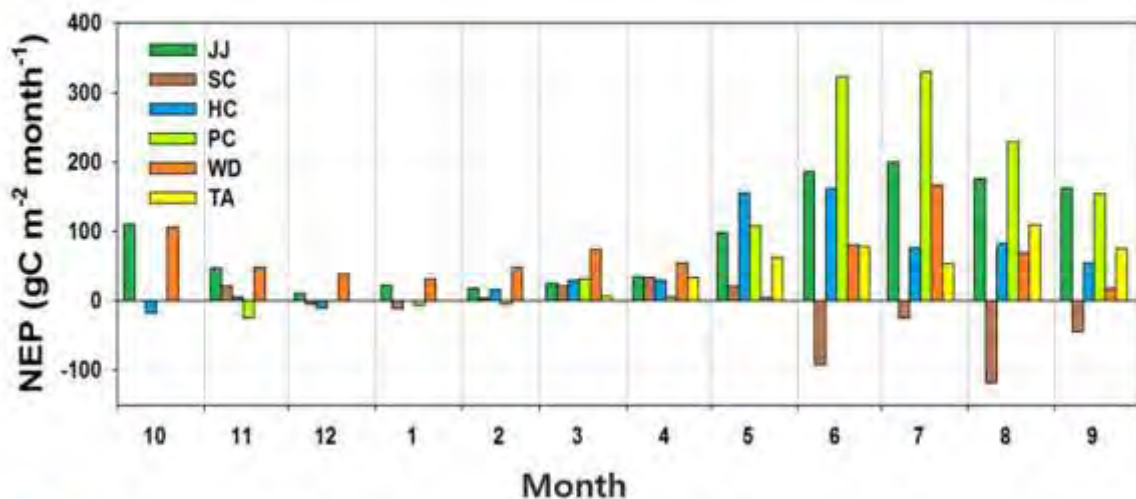


# ICT based observation system



Real time monitoring system for material and energy fluxes and microclimates 33

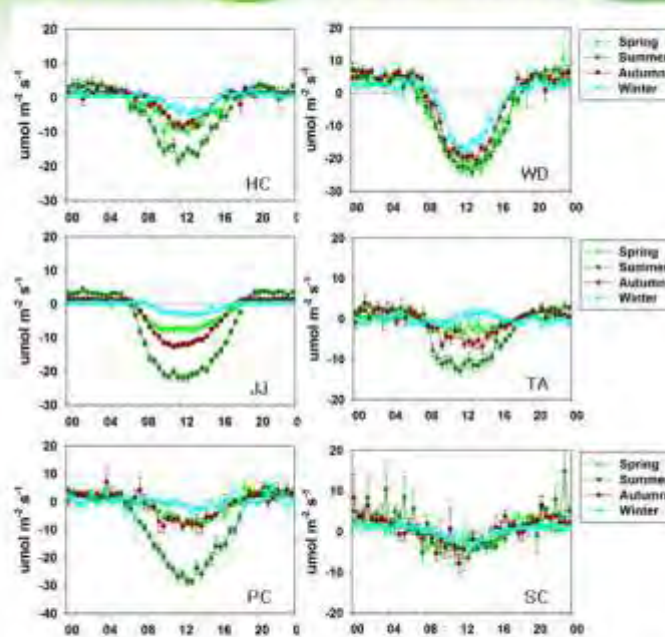
# ICT based observation system



Eddy Covariance Flux Measurement; NEPs of 6 sites(2015)

JJ: Jeju, SC: Samchuck, HC: Hongchun, PC: Pyongchang, WD: Wando, TA: Anmyondo

## Carbon absorption efficiency



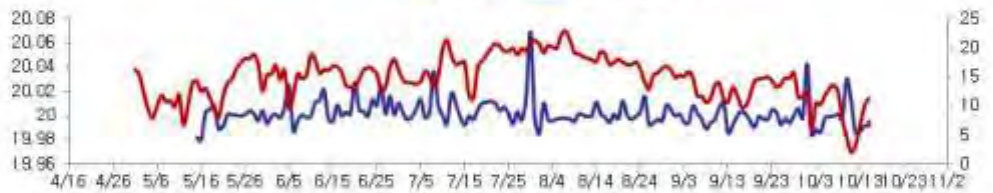
- Eddy Covariance Flux Measurement; NEPs of 6 sites by season(2015)  
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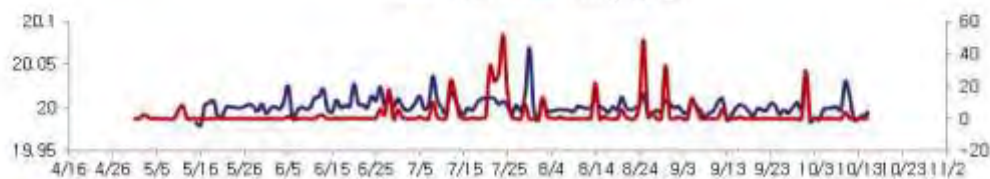
## High density automatic observation



— DBH — Air temperature



— DBH — Precipitation



- 1 hour interval automatic DBH measurement data of dominant trees

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# High density automatic observation

GBS



GBS



Samchuck



Jeju island



1 hour interval phenological monitoring of sites

# Community ecology



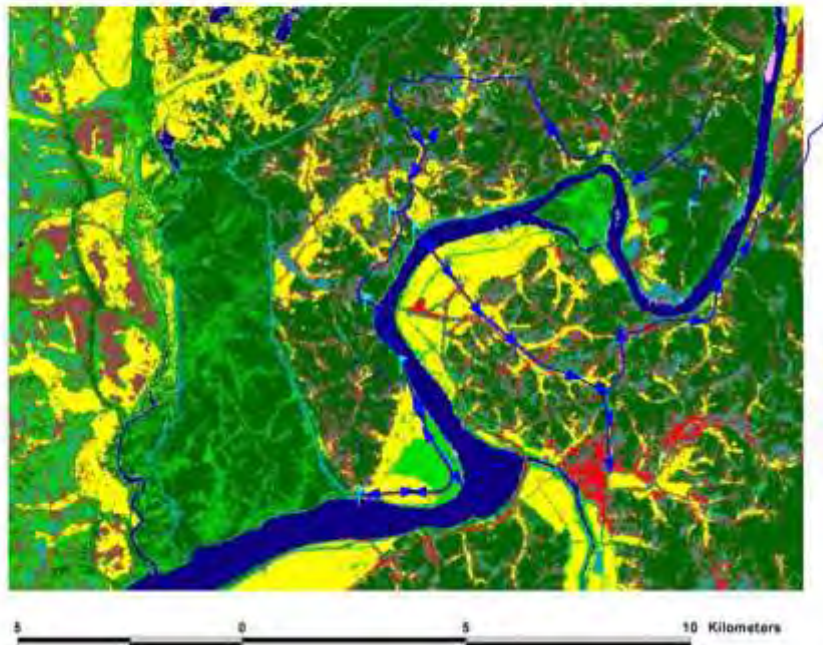
Data + Location + Weather condition based on smartphone app

Leaf length data collected by voluntary citizen scientists(2015)





## Mainstreaming of Biodiversity: Landscape approach



Chun, 2011

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## Conclusion

### Findings

1. Forest will have a very **slow response** to climate change because of long life span of trees but the **speed of climate change seems to be fast**(? according to IPCC) and its effects on forest ecosystem are still **uncertain**.
2. It is clear that LTER programs and ecosystem models are **important tools** for both scientists and decision makers in that they provide **capability to predict and understandings of responses to environmental change**.
3. But, underlying mechanisms how organisms interact with each other and environmental factors and modeling processes still have formidable barriers such as **vague assumptions** and equations to describe the phenomena in complex systems, **insufficient input data** and **scaling algorithms**, and **incapacity** to meaningfully translate modeled results.
4. Impact assessment of environmental change on ecosystem heavily **depends on our understanding** of ecosystem structure, function, and process and is inherently associated with uncertainty, so there is a need to generate and compile representative data for different variables in different ecosystems at multiple locations and different scales.

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## Conclusion

### *Recommendation*

1. In modern society obsessed with speed, LTER programs requiring relatively long time may seem to slow and inefficient. Nevertheless, we need to keep **monitoring, evaluating and verifying** the effects of environmental change on the biodiversity and ecosystem services of forest ecosystem **to maintain and enhance the quality of life.**
2. There is a need to match ecosystem research direction and items to **stakeholder and policy needs** identifying the **gaps between audience expectation and the actual limitations.**
3. **Observation Networks** including LTER programs linking various data producers and research communities including **governmental agencies, research institutes and universities** are critical to assess the response of ecosystems to drivers of change such as climate change, land use change and pollution etc..
4. **Uncertainty**, which is associated with data limitations and environmental stochasticity can be accounted for by using **ICT-based automatic high density observation systems, quality assurance and control, and generation of data from long-term observations.**

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Thank you for your attention!

Mt. Hallasan





# **III. Wrap-up Discussion**



# International Workshop on Lessons Learnt and Challenges form Forest Long-term Ecological Research (LTER) in the Northeast Asian Region

20-24 September 2016 / Northeast Forestry University, Harbin, China

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## *Minutes on the Wrap-up Discussion*

### **1. Specific theme/topic of workshop**

The workshop to be convened in the following years needs to narrow down its covering topic; for example, focusing on specific species, soil or nutrient recycles, etc. This would provide the participants with the opportunity of more in-depth discussion on the specific issue in the forest LTER.

### **2. Institutional set-up of the LTER network in Northeast Asia**

Compared to the relative long history (around 25 years) of the International LTER (ILTER, [www.ilternet.edu](http://www.ilternet.edu)) network, the LTER network in Northeast Asia is currently in the early stage. At this moment, in order to manage and operate the LTER network in Northeast Asia effectively and sustainably, the relevant institutional set-up is necessary.

For example, the Committee Members (institutional level, for example) from each country will be designated, and the annual Steering Committee Meeting (which consists of the representatives of each Committee Member) will be held to decide the annual major activities/theme to focus (one of the activities will be workshop).

This institutional set-up of the network will be beneficial particularly for the joint publication or collaborative research, which requires continuous communication among the members. Just one-time meeting a year in the form of workshop would be difficult for mid- and long-term collaborative activities that are necessary in the LTER.

This institutional set-up of the network is also expected to have more opportunities of fund-raising or budget-sharing.

### **3. Collaborative research potentials**

The collaborative research potentials/topics were suggested as follows:

#### **1) Comparison studies having same protocol**

As one of the potential collaborative activities with this network, the participating



institutions can conduct joint research having specific common objectives and targets with same protocol (size, location, measurement method, result indicator, etc.) for data comparison. After data comparison, the participating researchers will be able to discuss about the causes of any specific problems or issues and share the alternatives or solutions upon them together.

The outcome of this collaborative research will be joint publication of research articles.

As for the budget, considering the network in the early stage, the research will be conducted with small-scale having simple protocol. The scale and scope can be expanded depending on the management and operation of this network.

## **2) Research with Species Distribution Model in response to climate change**

Another collaborative research topic can be examination of the change in plant species distribution in response to climate change using Species Distribution Model developed by NIFoS. One of the meaningful outcome of this research will be identifying vulnerable plant species in response to climate change and establishing the conservation plan and strategies of those species in the regional level in Northeast Asia.

In order to run the Species Distribution Model, the existing data on species distribution each country can be compiled first, and the newly collected data can be added later. The focal person for data sharing each country need to be designated.

In addition, the inclusion of North Korean data is highly required for effective and convincing examination.

## **4. Regular meeting online**

One of the alternatives upon the current only one-time annual meeting can be the regular meeting online every month. During the monthly meeting online, the participants can discuss the research progress as well as share the effective methods based on the experiences of each participant.

The necessity and the details about the concept of this regular meeting online need to be discussed further.

## **5. The 2017 LTER Workshop**

Prof. Oyunsanaa suggested convening the 2017 LTER Workshop in Mongolia in the late August, and he briefly shared the two (2) options for the workshop as follows:

**Option 1** : The Udleg Forestry Research and Training Center, National University of Mongolia (80km north of Ulaanbaatar city)

- Upper Udleg valley, there are natural forests with main species of Siberian pine, Siberian spruce and Siberian larch forest stands.

- In this case, we choose the workshop and field trip at Udleg FRTC (seminar in Ulaanbaatar and then move to the FRTC). Including arrival and departure date, it can be managed within 4-5 days.
- Advantage: close to Ulaanbaatar
- Disadvantage: we will not see the forest stands with all main forest tree species in Mongolia

**Option 2 : Bugant village, Selenge province, Mongolia (400km north of Ulaanbaatar)**

- At the upper Bugant river, there are natural forests that consist of the main forest species of Mongolia, e.g. Siberian pine, Siberian larch, Siberian spruce, Siberian fir, Scots pine, and Poplar forests.
- In case, we choose the workshop and field trip in Bugant Village (seminar in Darkhan city and then move to Bugant). Including arrival and departure date, it can be managed within 5-7 days.
- Advantage: we will see the forest stands with all main forest tree species in Mongolia
- Disadvantage: far from Ulaanbaatar

The workshop contents will be developed further based on the workshop theme/topic to be decided later. Also, the workshop period will be depending on field trip: if we establish a Forest LTER site together, it will take more time; if we just visit and have discussion, the period can be managed in shorter amount of days.

This will be discussed later in detail, and the relevant concept note will be circulated in the early of next year.







## **IV. Photos**



## ***Opening & Presentation Session***

**21 September 2016**



***Opening by Dr. Ho Sang Kang***



***Welcome Address by Dr. Hee Moon Yang, NIFoS***





***Congratulatory Remark by Dr. Heok-Choh Sim, APAFRI***



***Congratulatory Remark by Prof. Fengri Li, NEFU***



*Group Photo*



*Presentation by Prof. Zhili Liu, Northeast Forestry University, China*





**Presentation Dr. Hideki Mori, University of Tsukuba, Japan**



**Presentation by Dr. Anna Vozmishcheva,  
Botanical Garden-Institute / Institute of Biology and Soil Sciences,  
Far East Branch, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia**





***Presentation by Prof. Byambasuren Oyunsanaa,  
National University of Mongolia, Mongolia***



***Presentation by Dr. Jung Hwa Chun,  
National Institute of Forest Science, Republic of Korea***

## *Field Trip: Liangshui National Reserve*

22-23 September 2016





















# Appendix



# **1) Long-term Ecological Research in Undisturbed Forest on the Southern Siknote-Alin Mountain Range**

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# LONG-TERM ECOLOGICAL RESEARCH IN UNDISTURBED FOREST ON THE SOUTHERN SIKNOTE-ALIN MOUNTAIN RANGE

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THE FIRST PERMANENT SAMPLE PLOT IN RUSSIA FOR PATTERN STRUCTURE AND  
POPULATION INVESTIGATIONS OF *PINUS KORAIENSIS* - DOMINATED FORESTS  
SELECTION OF TERRITORY AND PLACE, SIZE AND HISTORY OF SAMPLE PLOT, VEGETATION



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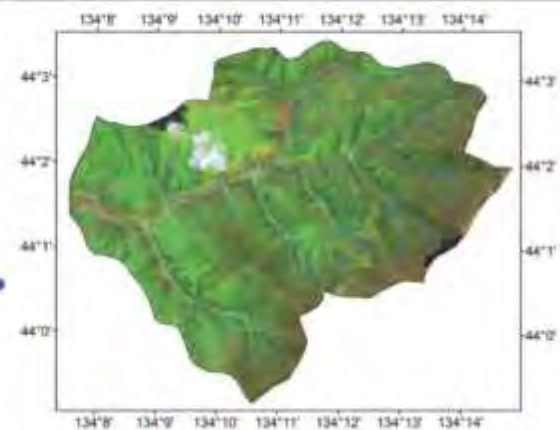
GEOGRAPHY, HISTORY,  
CONTEMPORARY CONDITIONS



## RESEARCH AREA

VERKNEUSSURIISKY RESEARCH STATION (VUS)  
Institute of Biology & Soil Science  
Far East Branch of Russian Academy of Science

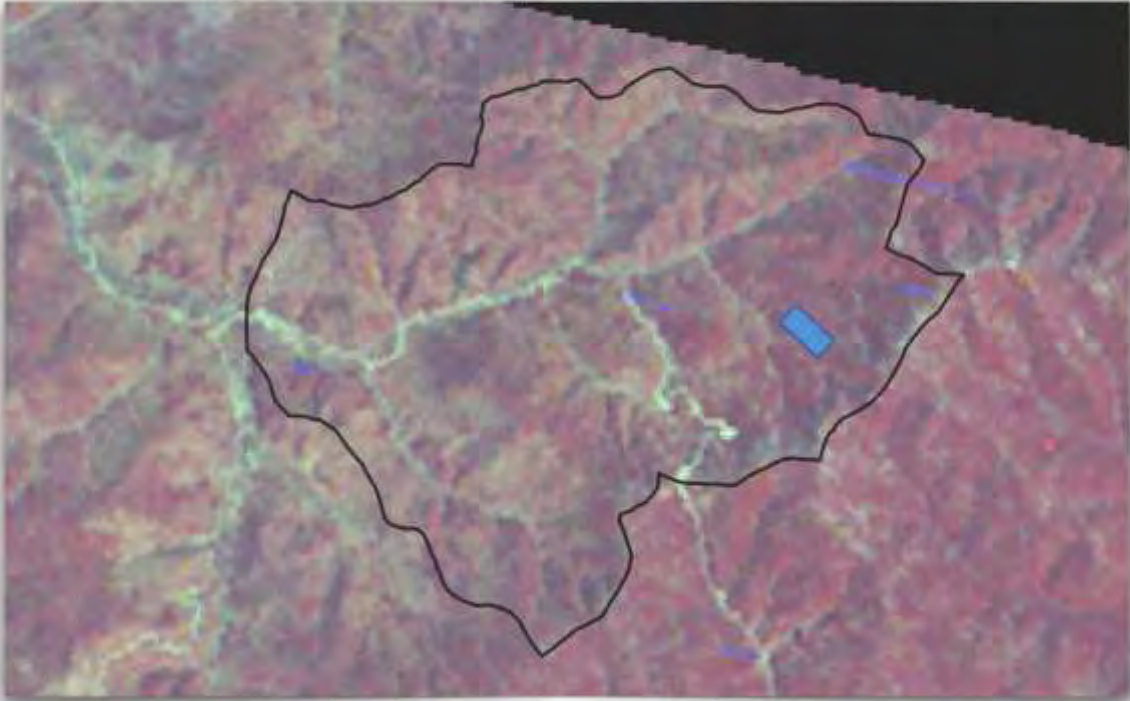
4 470 ha  
500-900 m above sea level  
Average slope 20°





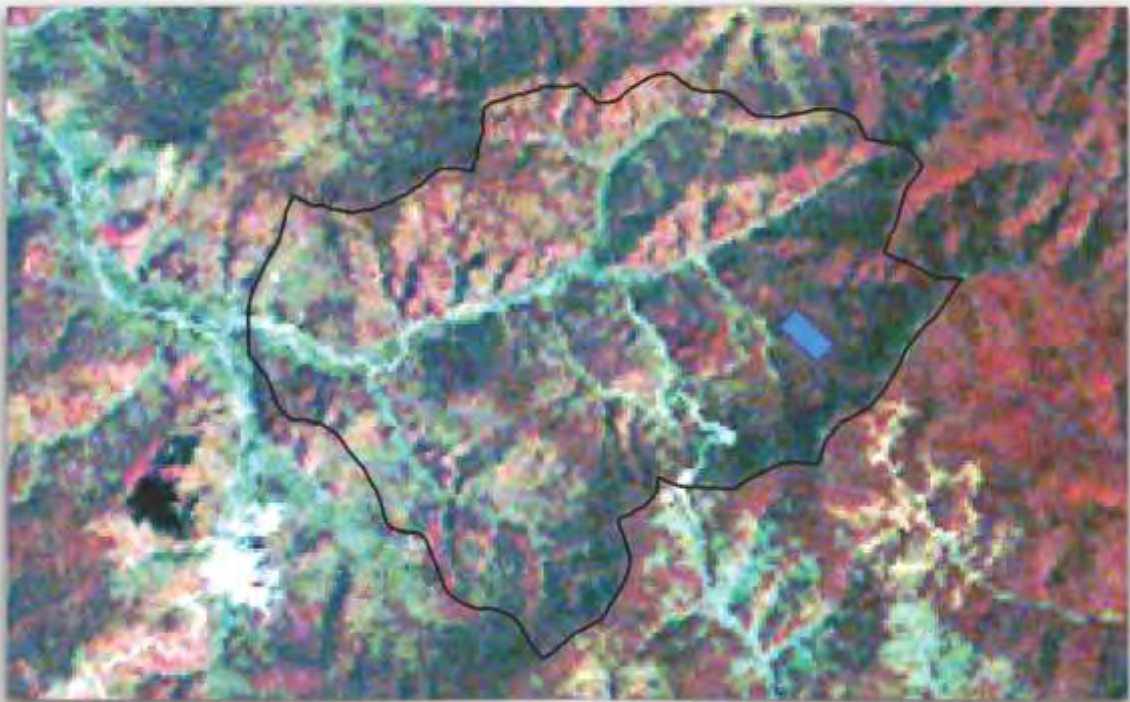
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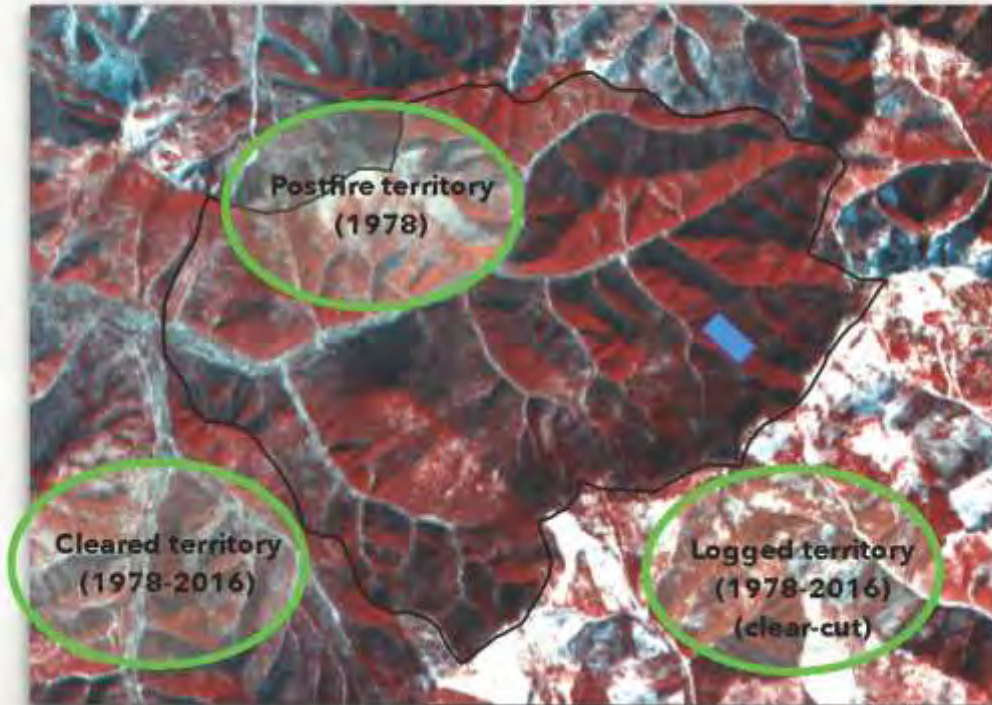
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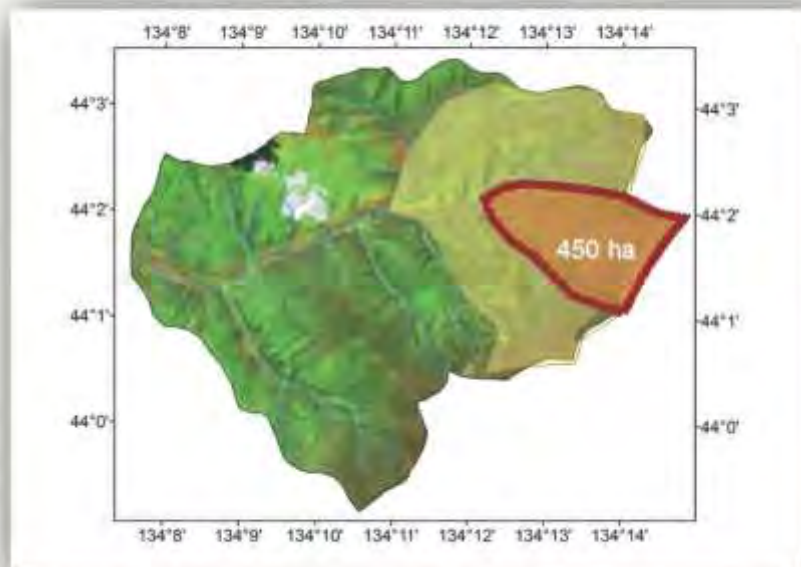




## RESEARCH AREA HISTORY

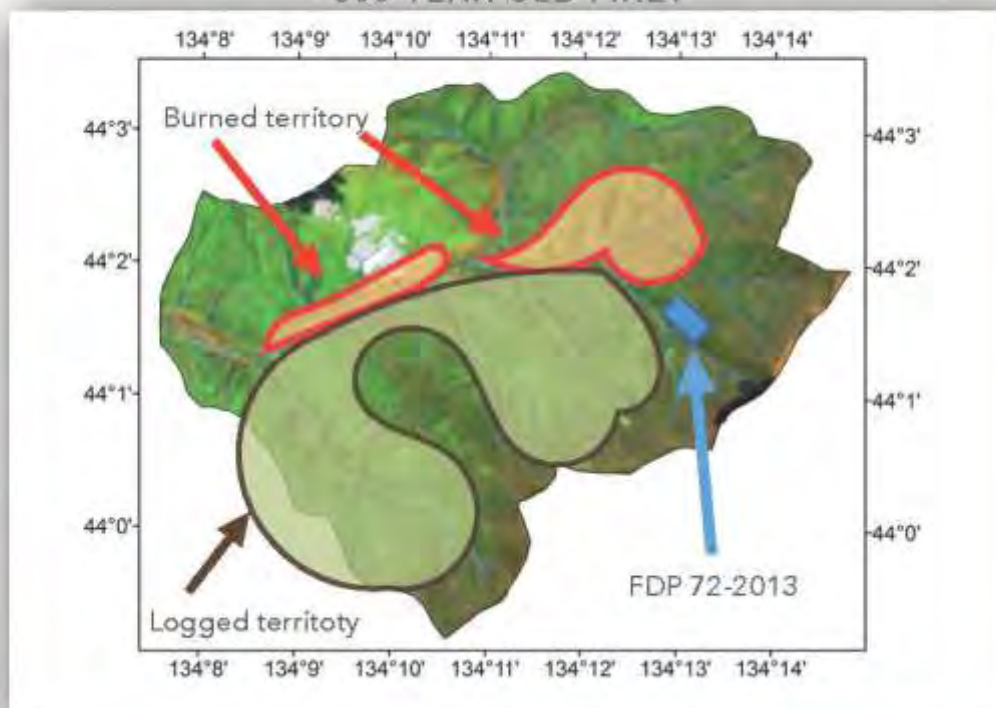
The territory without cutting and fires

Approximately 60% of the Research Station area had been subjected to selective clear-cutting before the Station was established in 1972. The remaining 40% of its area has never been clear-cut and is covered by unique old-growth forest.



## IMPACT OF OLD FIRES

500 YEAR OLD FIRE?



Postfire *Pinus koraiensis* - dominated forest



Coals in postfire forest

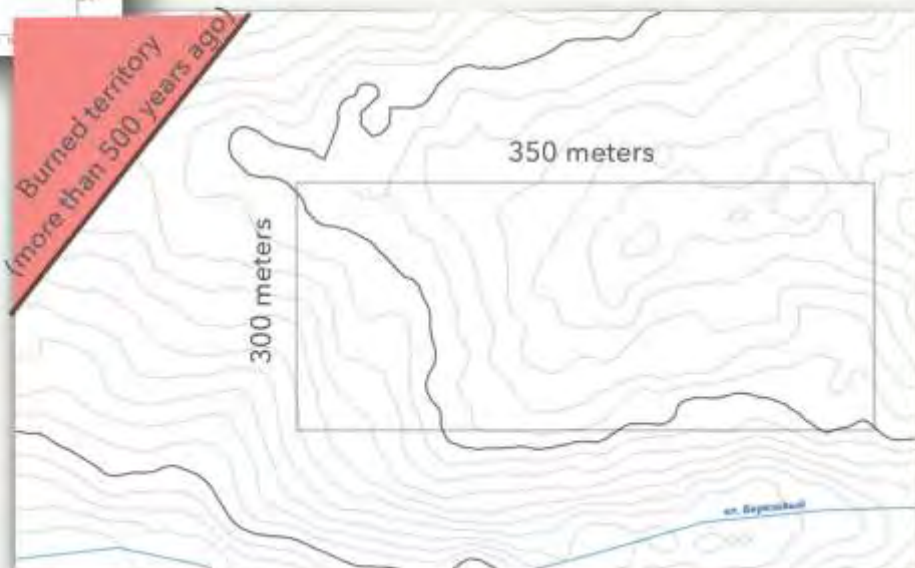


## DISTURBANCE HISTORY OF SAMPLE PLOT

FOREST DEVELOPMENT PLOT 72-2013



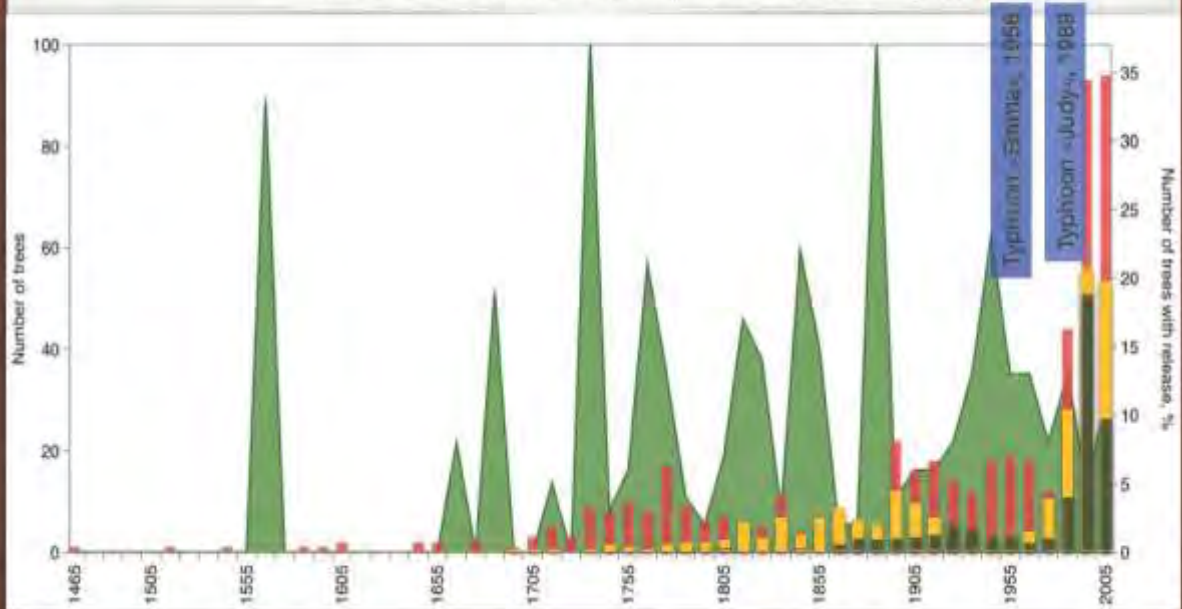
Burned territory  
(more than 500 years ago)





## 600-YEARS STAND DISTURBANCE HISTORY

Based on samples of *Pinus koraiensis* (red), *Picea jezoensis* (yellow),  
*Abies nephrolepis* (dark green) taken from 6.5 ha territory



## IMPACT OF WINDS IN SPRING TIME (EVENT IN 2015)





## STAND CHARACTERISTIC



## BASAL AREA

### BASAL AREA OF COMMON SPECIES

Species	Basal area, m <sup>2</sup> /ha		Basal area, %		Density, stems/ha		Density, %	
	Live	Dead	Live	Dead	Live	Dead	Live	Dead
<i>Tilia amurensis</i>	14.31	0.00	26.5	2.7	95.8	2.0	10.6	1.9
<i>Pinus koraiensis</i>	11.28	0.02	20.8	11.9	49.8	4.5	5.5	4.2
<i>Picea jezoensis</i>	8.65	0.05	16.0	30.5	156.5	35.0	17.3	32.6
<i>Betula costata</i>	7.55	0.00	14.0	1.8	33.8	1.4	3.7	1.3
<i>Abies nephrolepis</i>	7.23	0.08	13.4	51.0	323.4	52.4	35.6	49.0
<i>Acer ukurunduense</i>	1.77	0.00	3.3	1.7	131.5	5.7	14.6	5.3
<i>Ulmus laciniata</i>	1.29	0.00	2.4	0.1	18.8	0.4	1.5	0.4
<i>Acer mono</i>	1.18	0.00	2.2	0.1	37.4	0.9	4.1	0.8
Total	53.26	0.15	98.6	99.8	847.0	102.3	92.9	95.5

## BASAL AREA

### BASAL AREA OF MORE RARE SPECIES

Species	Basal area, m <sup>2</sup> /ha		Basal area, %		Density, stems/ha		Density, %	
	Live	Dead	Live	Dead	Live	Dead	Live	Dead
<i>Acer tegmentosum</i>	0.20	0	0.4	0.1	11.6	1.0	1.3	1.0
<i>Cerasus maximowiczii</i>	0.14	0	0.3	0.1	11.4	2.3	1.3	2.1
<i>Acer barbinerve</i>	0.11	0	0.2	0.0	32.5	1.1	3.6	1.1
<i>Fraxinus manshurica</i>	0.10	0	0.2	0.0	1.8	0.2	0.2	0.2
<i>Taxus cuspidata</i>	0.09	0	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Prunus maximowiczii</i>	0.06	0	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Sorbus amurensis</i>	0.03	0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.1
<i>Syringa amurensis</i>	0.01	0	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	0.2	0.0
<i>Rhamnus davurica</i>	0.01	0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Quercus mongolica</i>	0.00	0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	0.57	0	1.4	0.2	61.2	4.7	7.1	4.5

## CHARACTERISTICS OF SPECIES

SIZE, AGE, DEMOGRAPHIC, PATTERNS



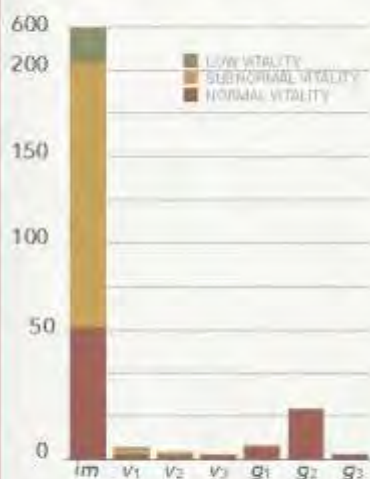
# DOMINATED SPECIES



## CHARACTERISTICS OF SPECIES

### *PINUS KORAIENSIS*

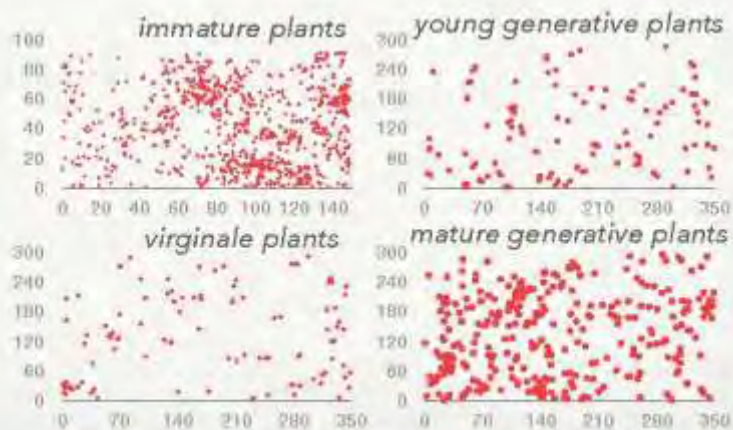
Number of plants on 1 ha



Age max	527 years
H max	38 m
DBH max	150 cm

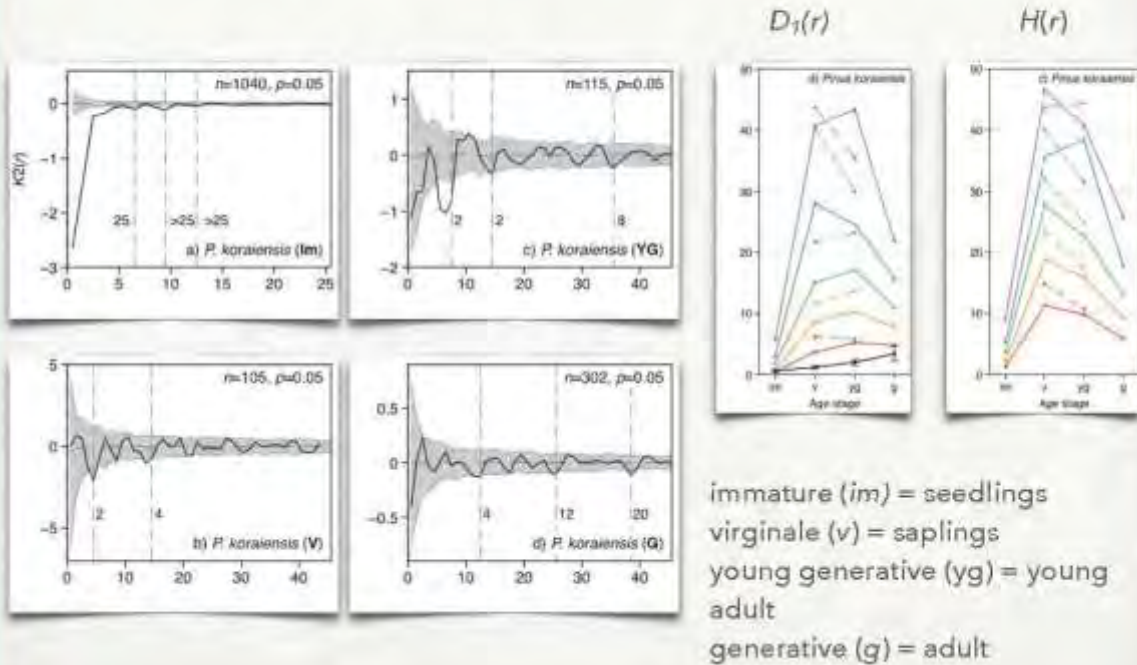


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 generative (*g<sub>1</sub>*, *g<sub>2</sub>*, *g<sub>3</sub>*) = adult





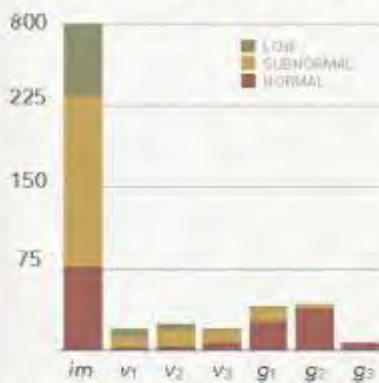
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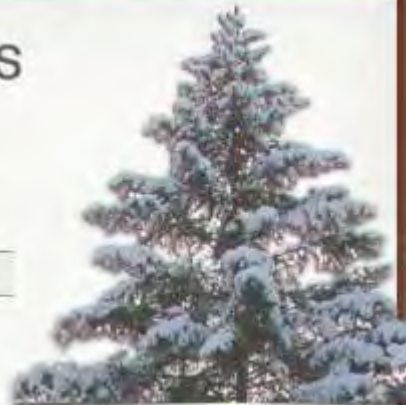
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## *PICEA JEZOENSIS*

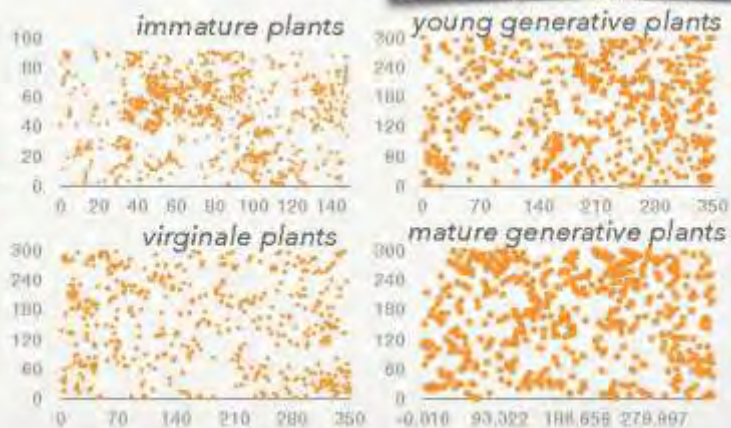
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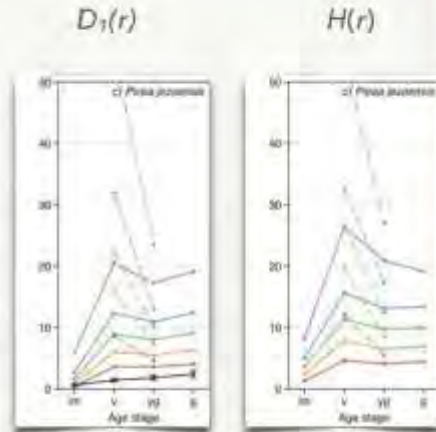
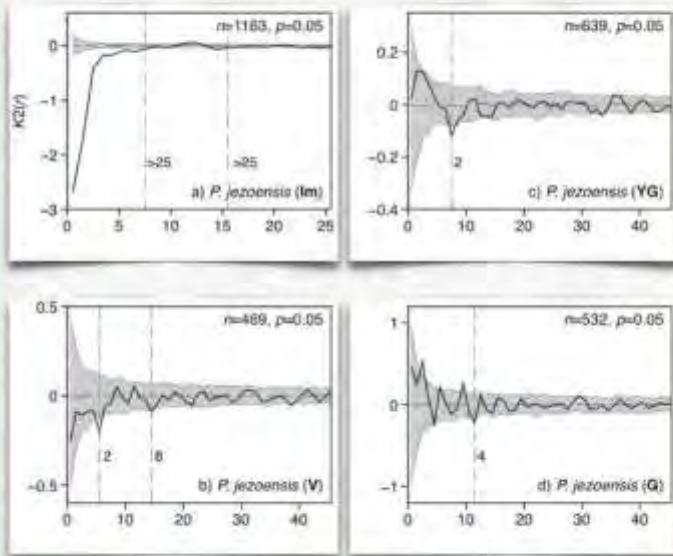
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H max	35 m
DBH max	75 cm



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# PATTERN MOSAIC OF *PICEA JEZOENSIS*

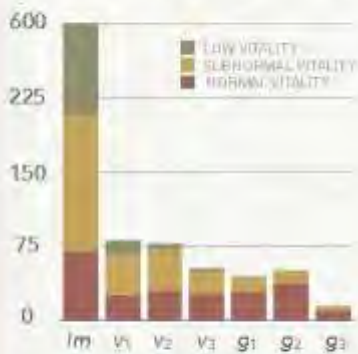


immature (*im*) = seedlings  
 virginale (*v*) = saplings  
 young generative (*yg*) = young adult  
 adult  
 generative (*g*) = adult

# CHARACTERISTICS OF SPECIES

## *ABIES NEPHROLEPIS*

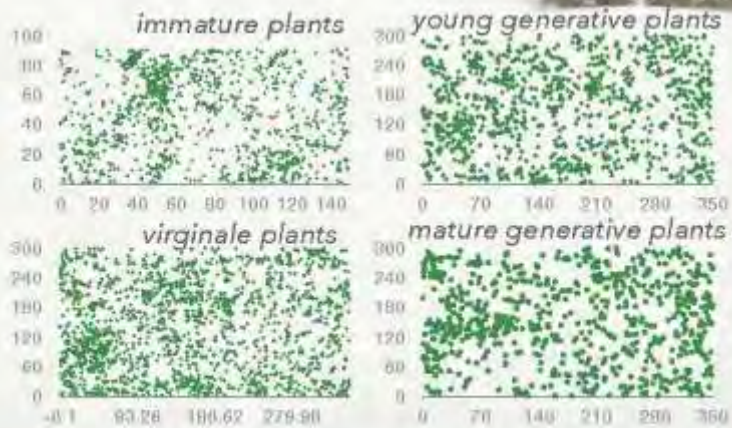
Number of plants on 1 ha



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H max	29 m
DBH max	54 cm

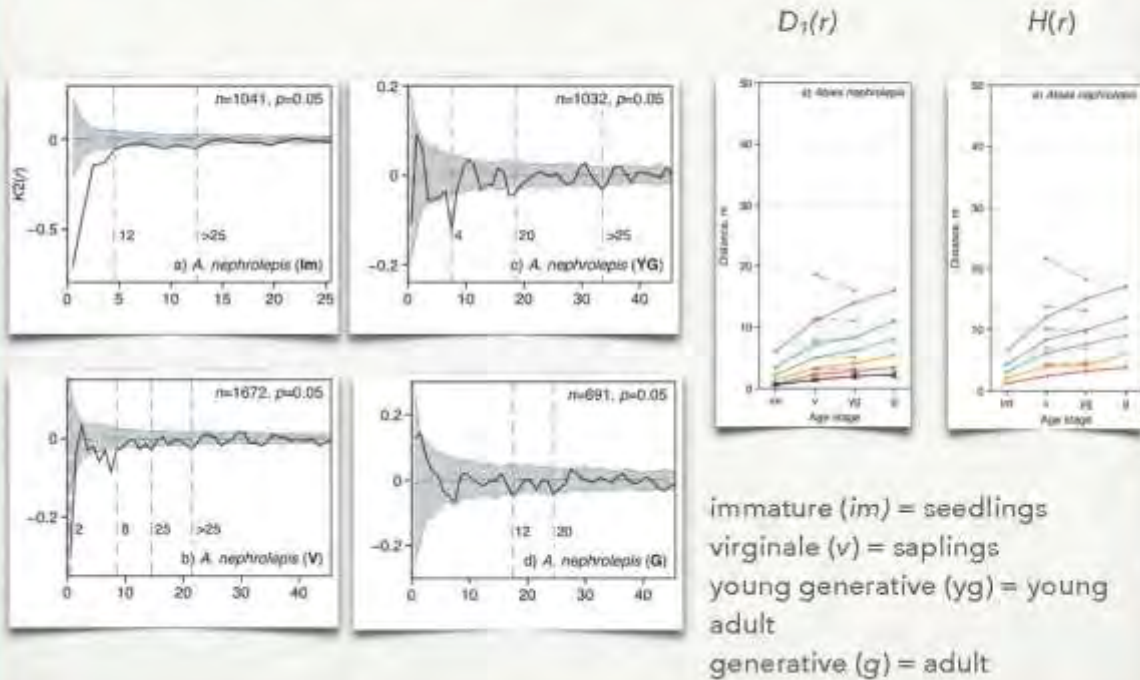


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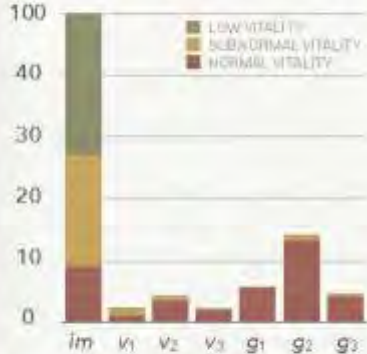
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# CHARACTERISTICS OF SPECIES

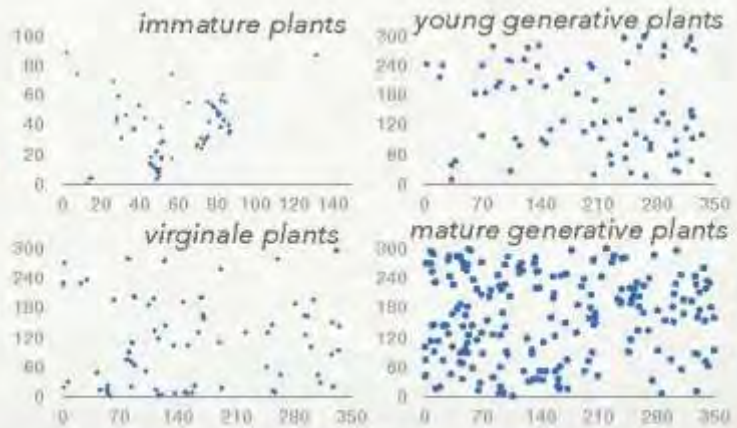
## *BETULA COSTATA*

Number of plants on 1 ha



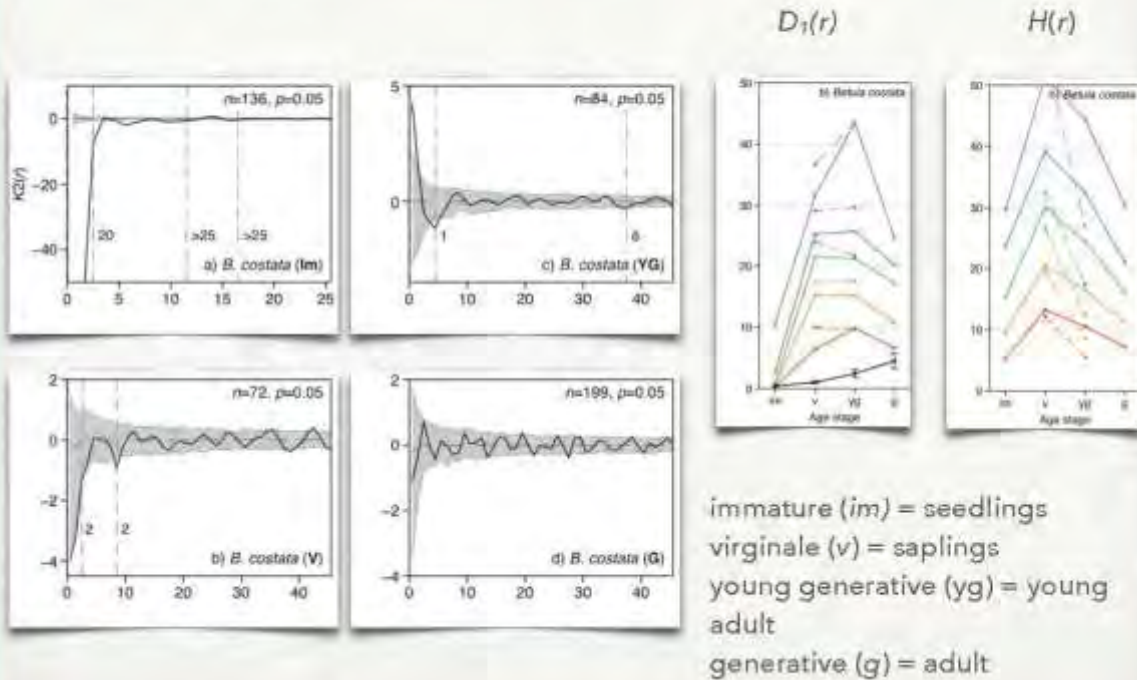
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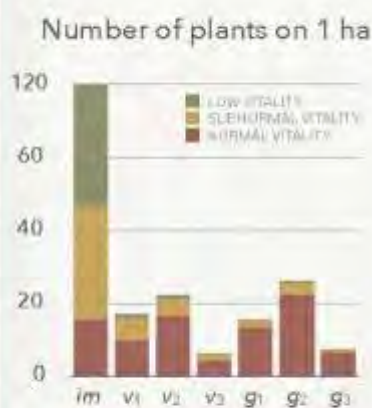


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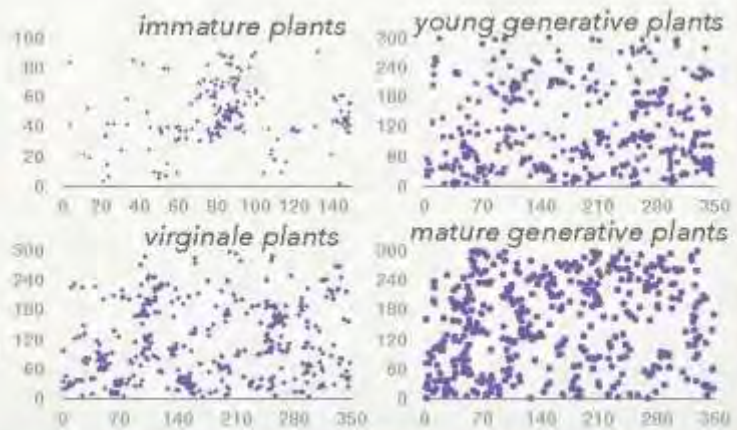
## CHARACTERISTICS OF SPECIES

### *TILIA AMURENSIS*

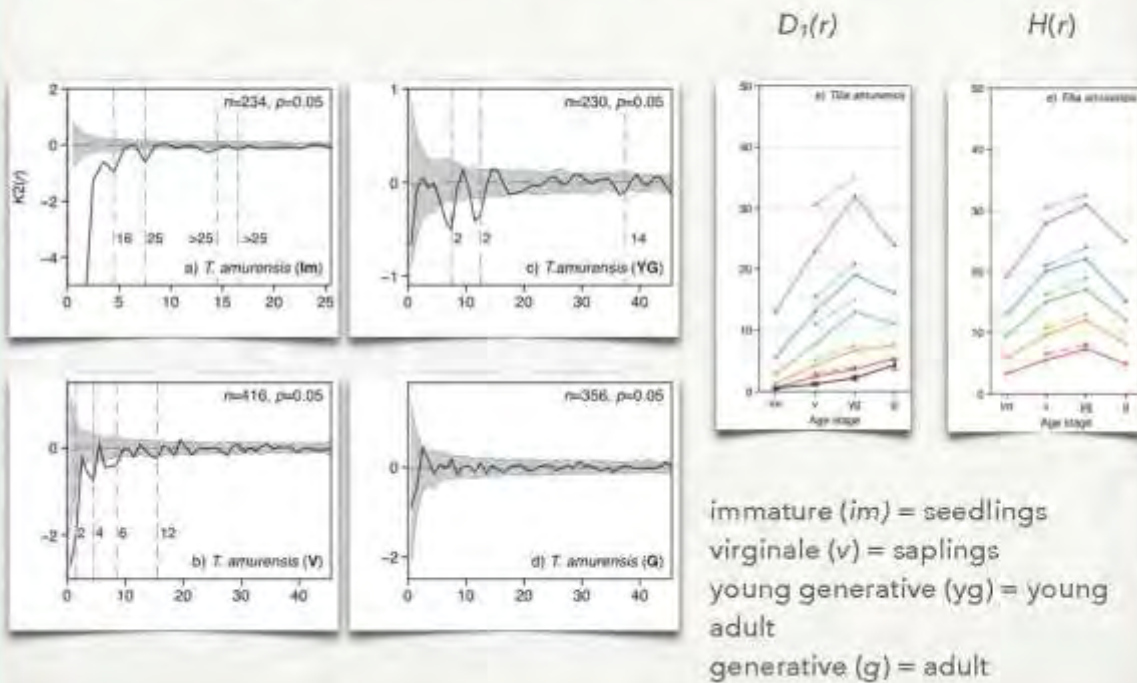


Age max	250 years
H max	28 m
DBH max	84 cm

immature (*im*) = seedlings  
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 generative (*g*<sub>1</sub>, *g*<sub>2</sub>, *g*<sub>3</sub>) = adult



## PATTERN MOSAIC OF *TILIA AMURENSIS*



OTHER  
SPECIES





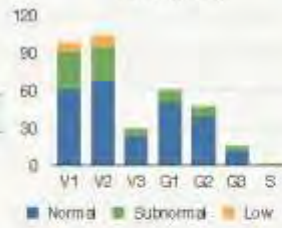
# CHARACTERISTICS OF SPECIES

## ACER SPP.



Age max	50 years
H max	18 m
DBH max	38 cm

*Acer mono*



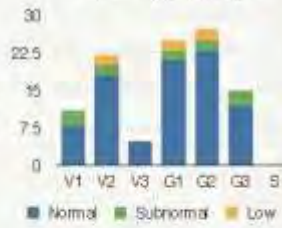
Age max	180 years
H max	22 m
DBH max	42 cm

*Acer barbinerve*



Age max	25 years
H max	15 m
DBH max	19 cm

*Acer tegmentosum*



Age max	50 years
H max	18 m
DBH max	24 cm

*Acer tegmentosum*

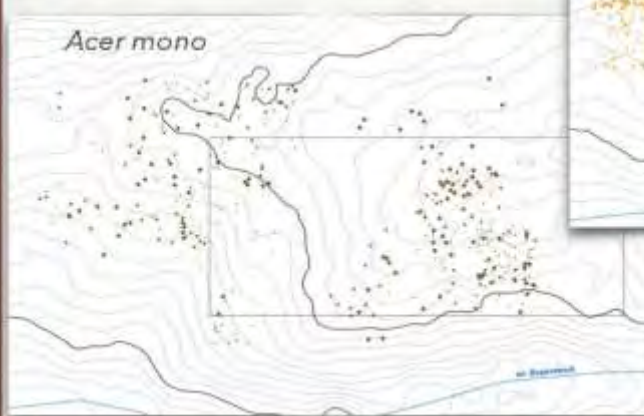


## PATTERN MOSAIC OF ACER SPP.

*Acer ukurunduense*



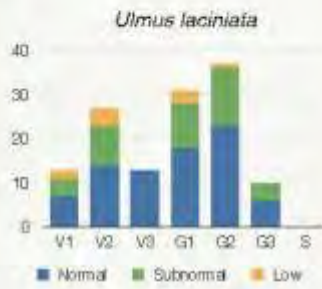
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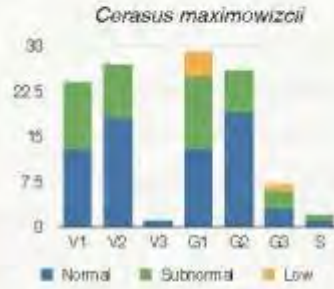


# CHARACTERISTICS OF SPECIES

## COMMON SPECIES



Age max	160 years
H max	25 m
DBH max	48 cm

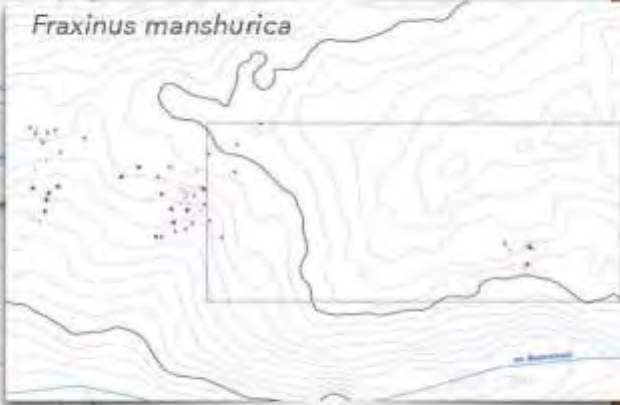


Age max	60 years
H max	20 m
DBH max	36 cm



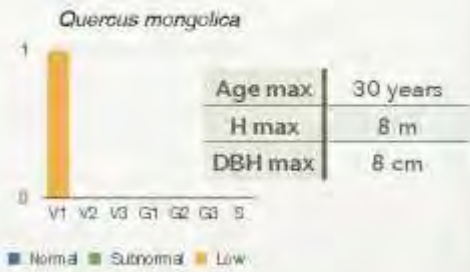
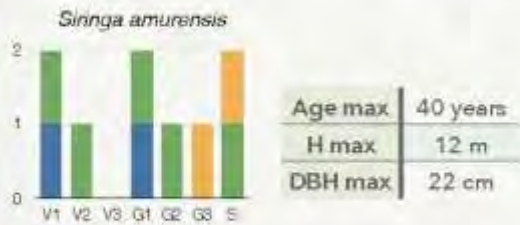
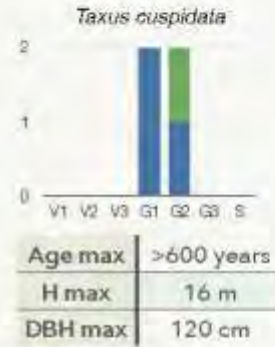
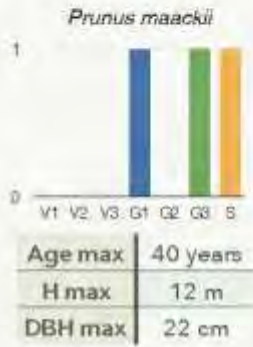
Age max	250 years
H max	28 m
DBH max	38 cm

PATTERN MOSAIC OF *ULMUS LACINIATA*,  
*FRAXINUS MANSHURICA*, *CERASUS*  
*MAXIMOWICZII*

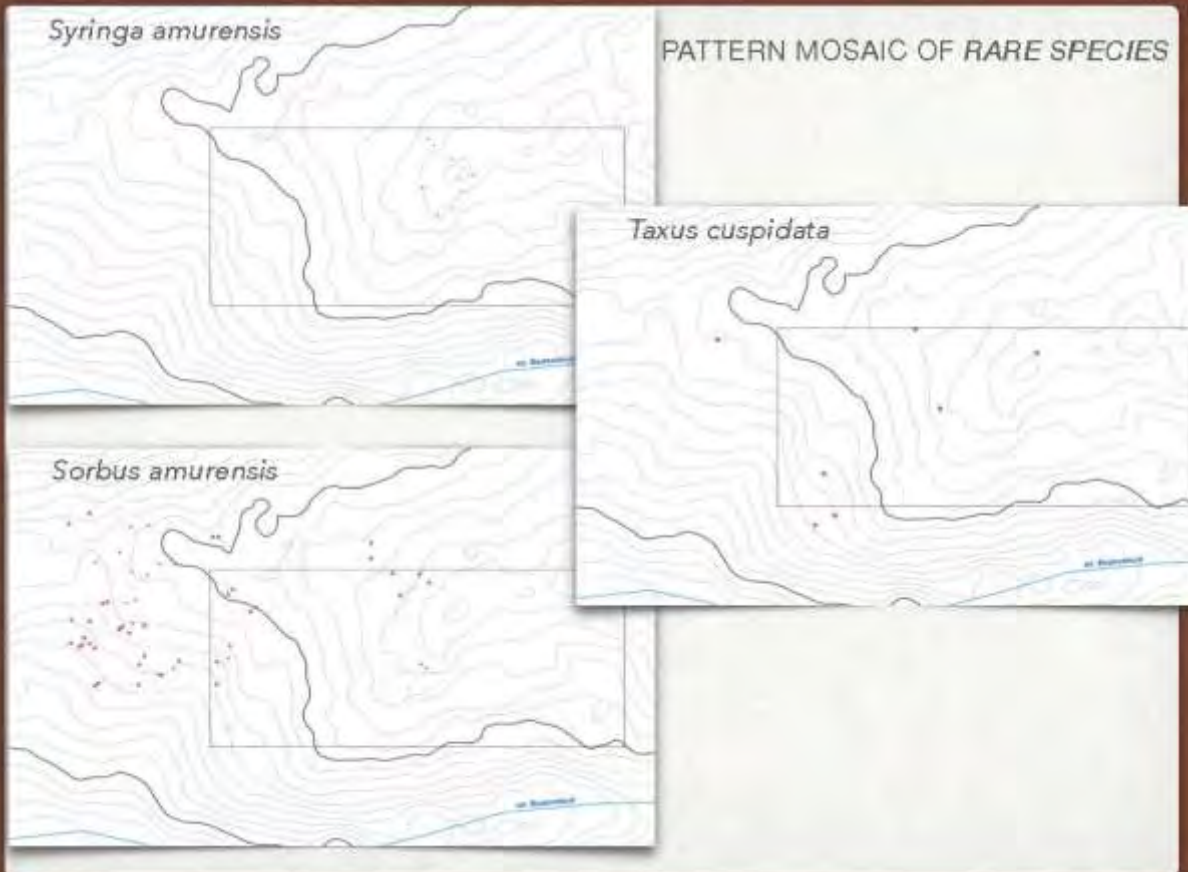


# CHARACTERISTICS OF SPECIES

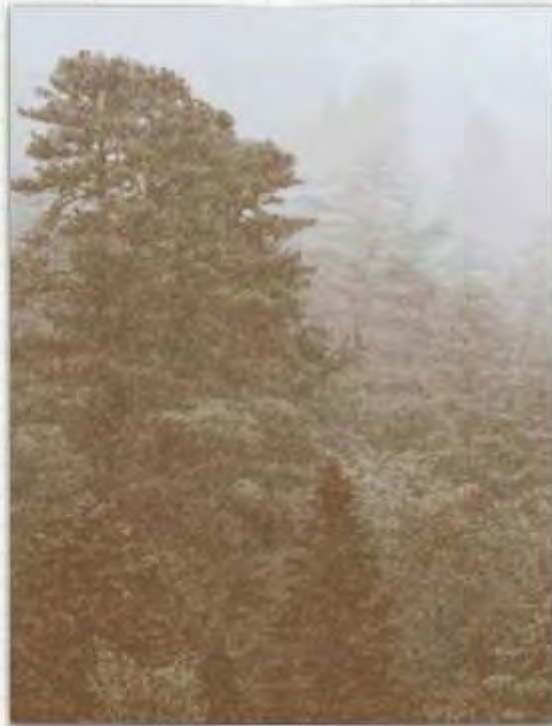
## RARE SPECIES



■ Normal ■ Subnormal ■ Low



## TASKS OF OUR WORK



- Ontogeny of plants
- Stand disturbance history, disturbance regimes in virgin forests
- Natural regeneration of trees and shrubs
- Structure of populations mosaics of different tree species, spatial associations, factors influencing structure of the mosaics
- Stand canopy structure
- Conservation old-growth forests and reconstruction of nature forests in Russian Far East







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