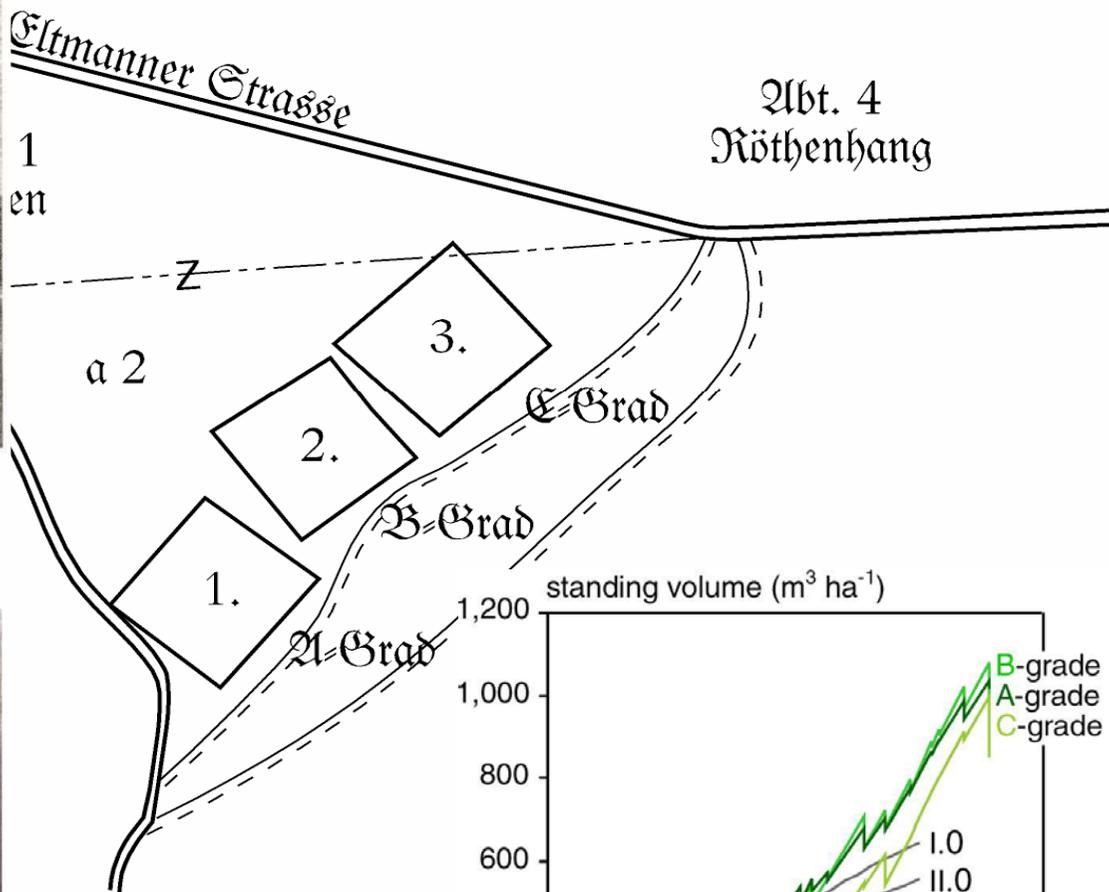


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## Situationsplan 1870



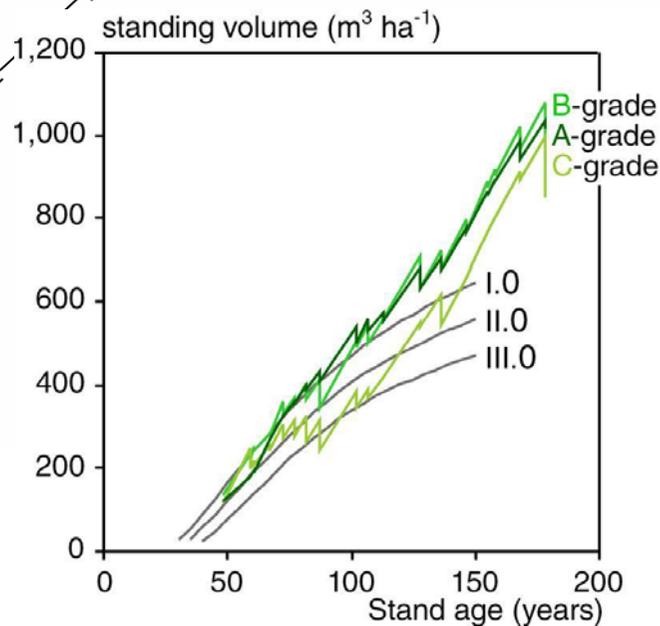
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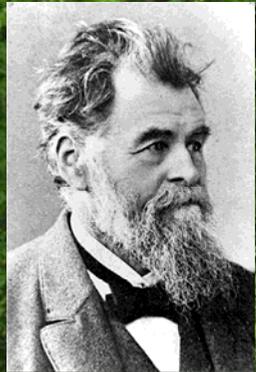
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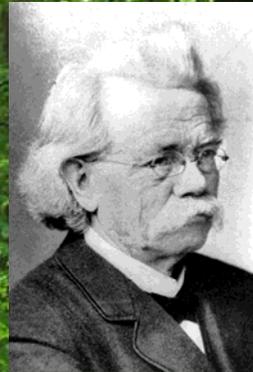
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R. Weber  
1897-1905



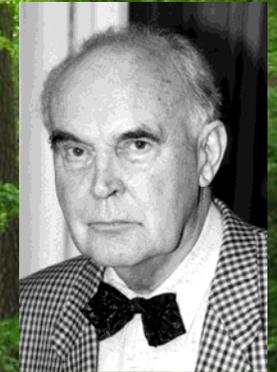
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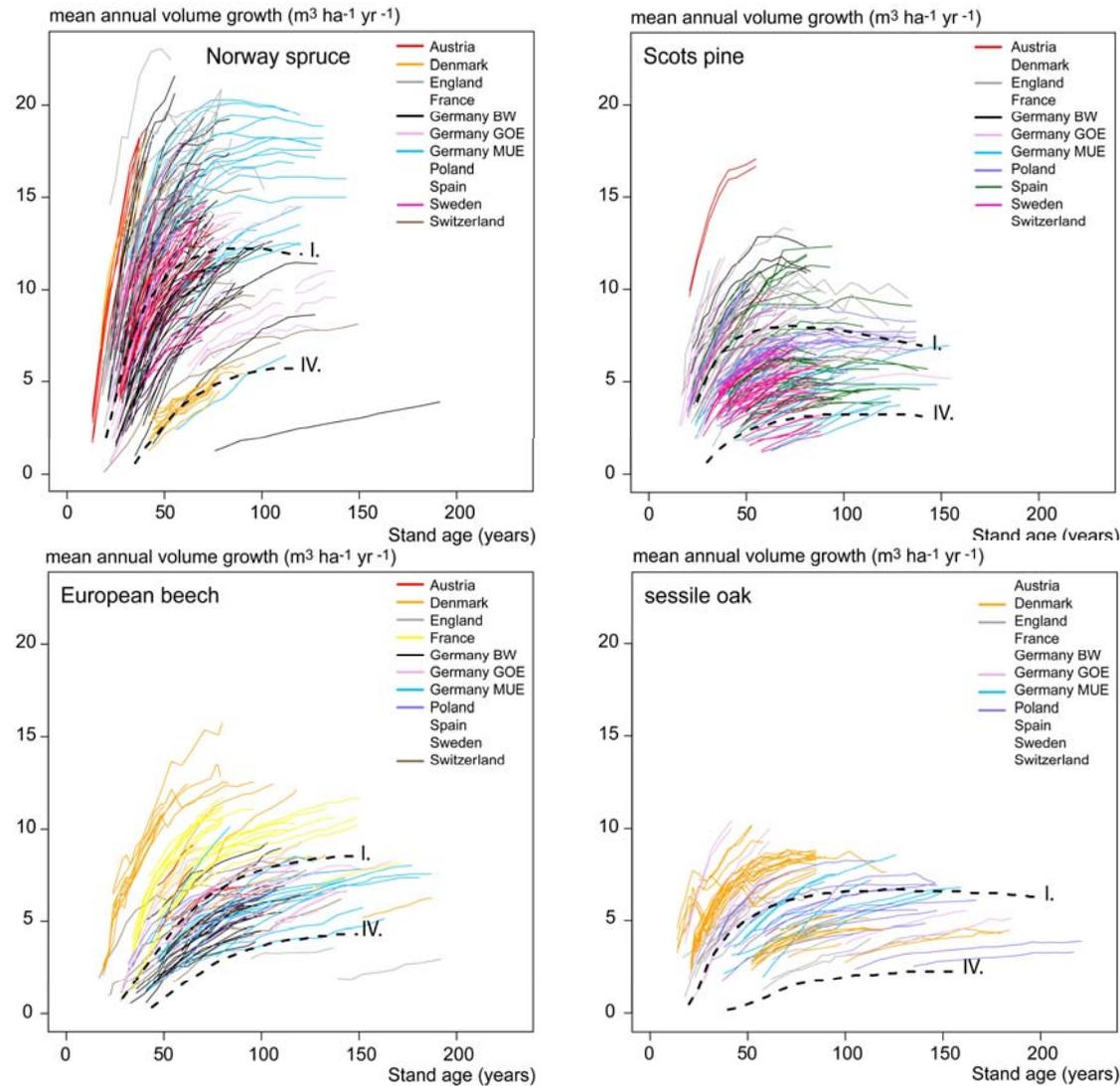


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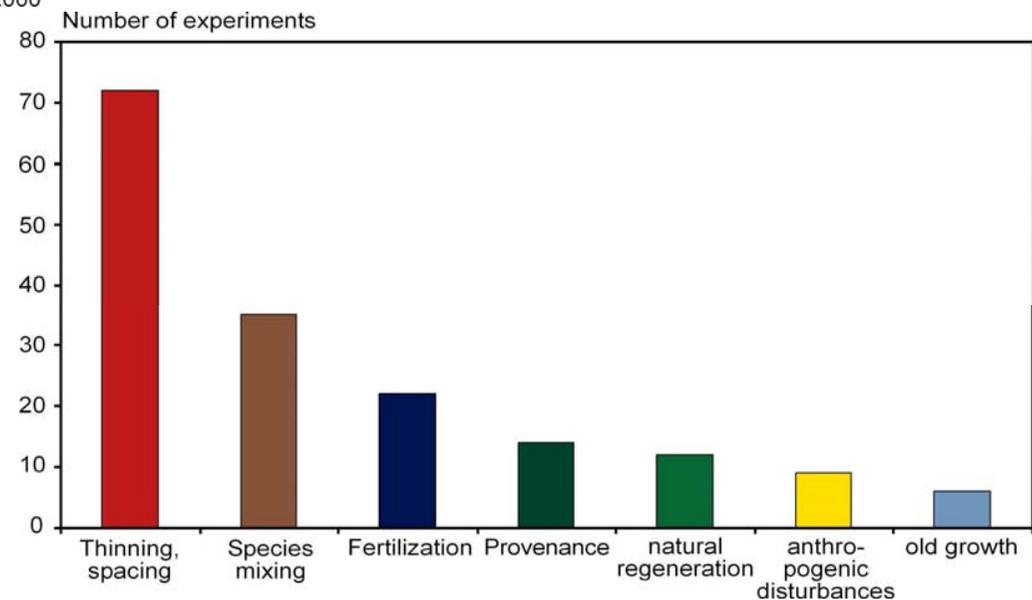
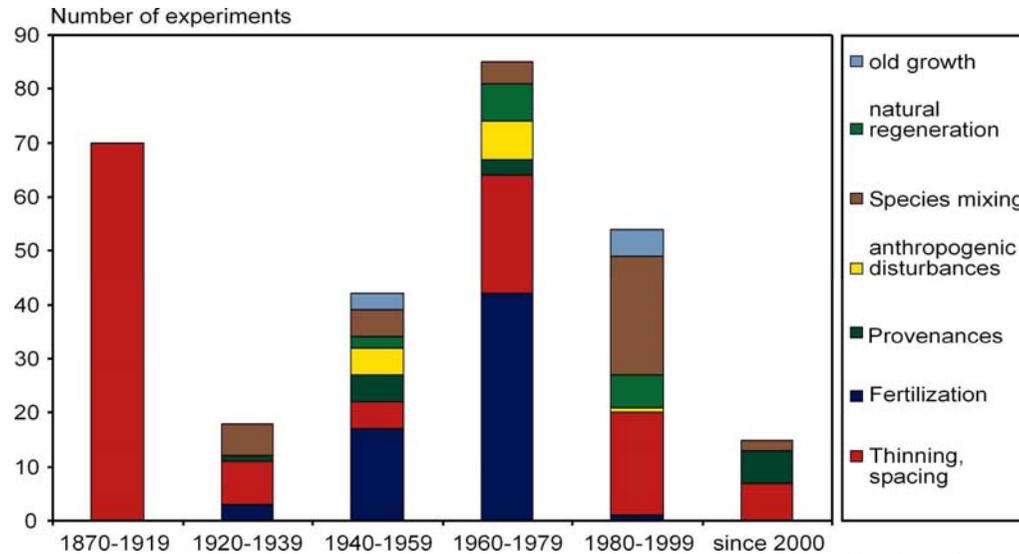


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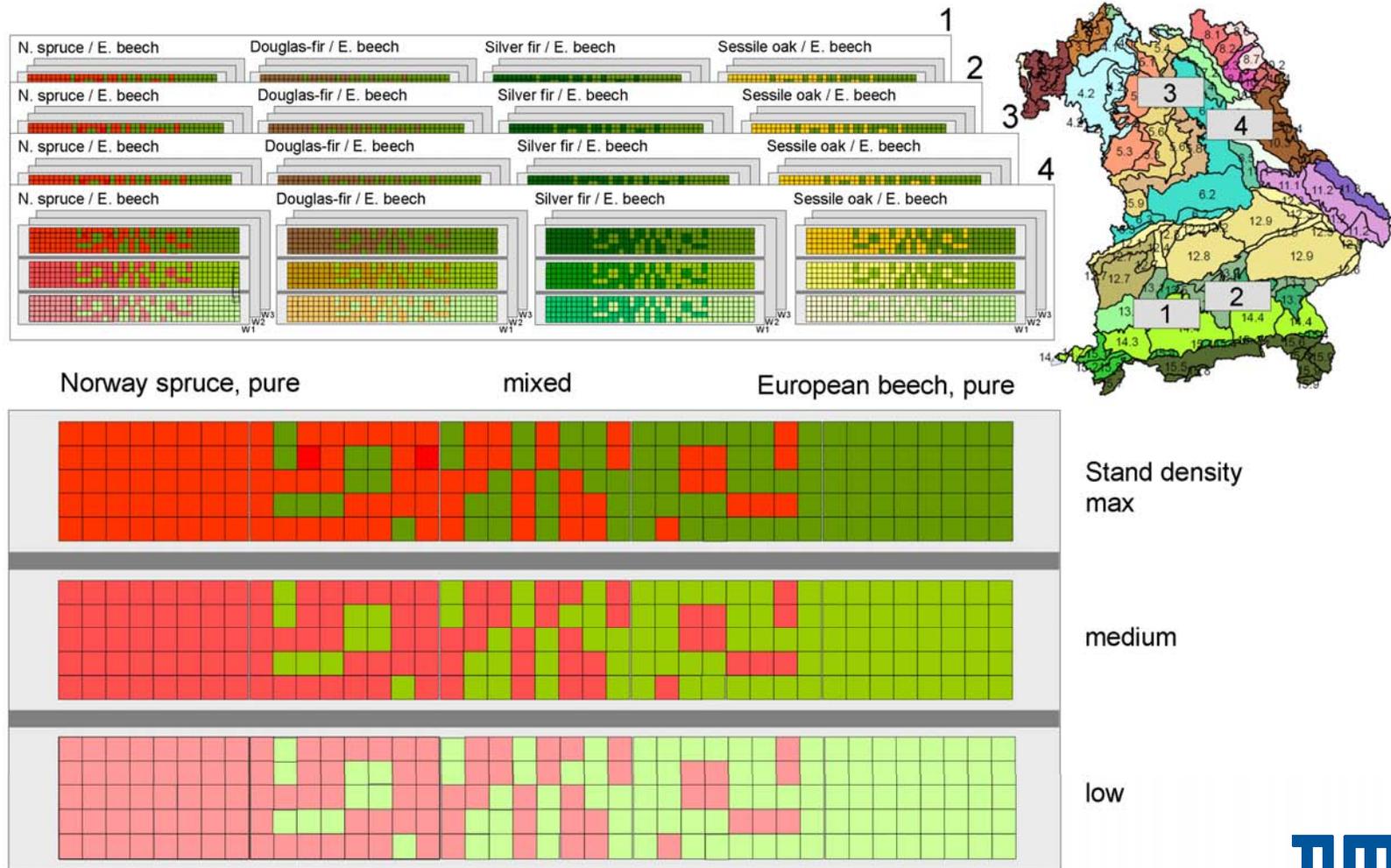
# Mean annual volume growth $\text{m}^3 \text{ha}^{-1} \text{yr}^{-1}$ on long-term experiments across Europe since 1860



## Time of establishment and main questions of long-term experiments in Bavaria



Establishment of a new generation of species mixing experiments from 2017-2023 on about 120 ha with factors: species, site conditions, mixing pattern, stand density



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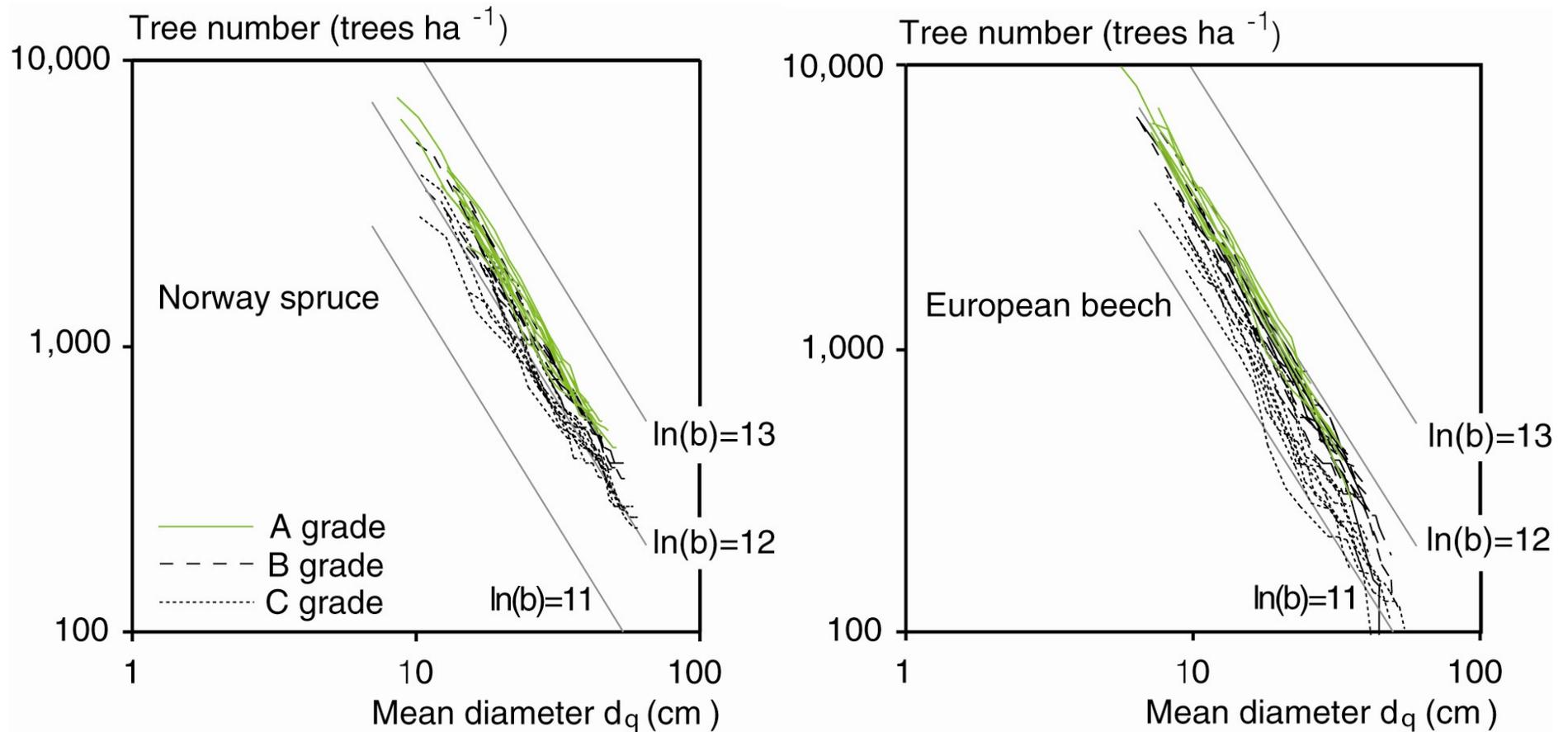
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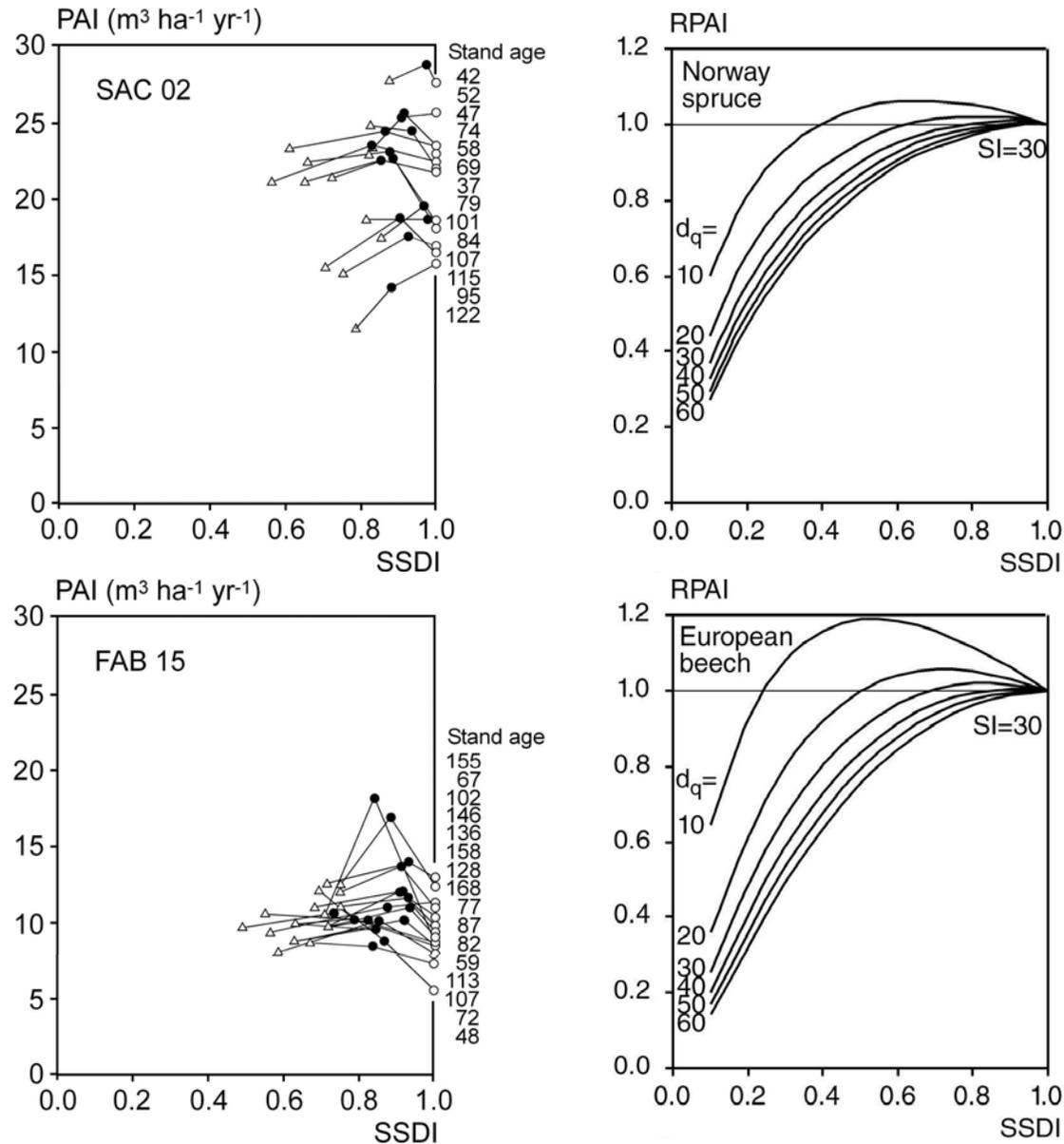


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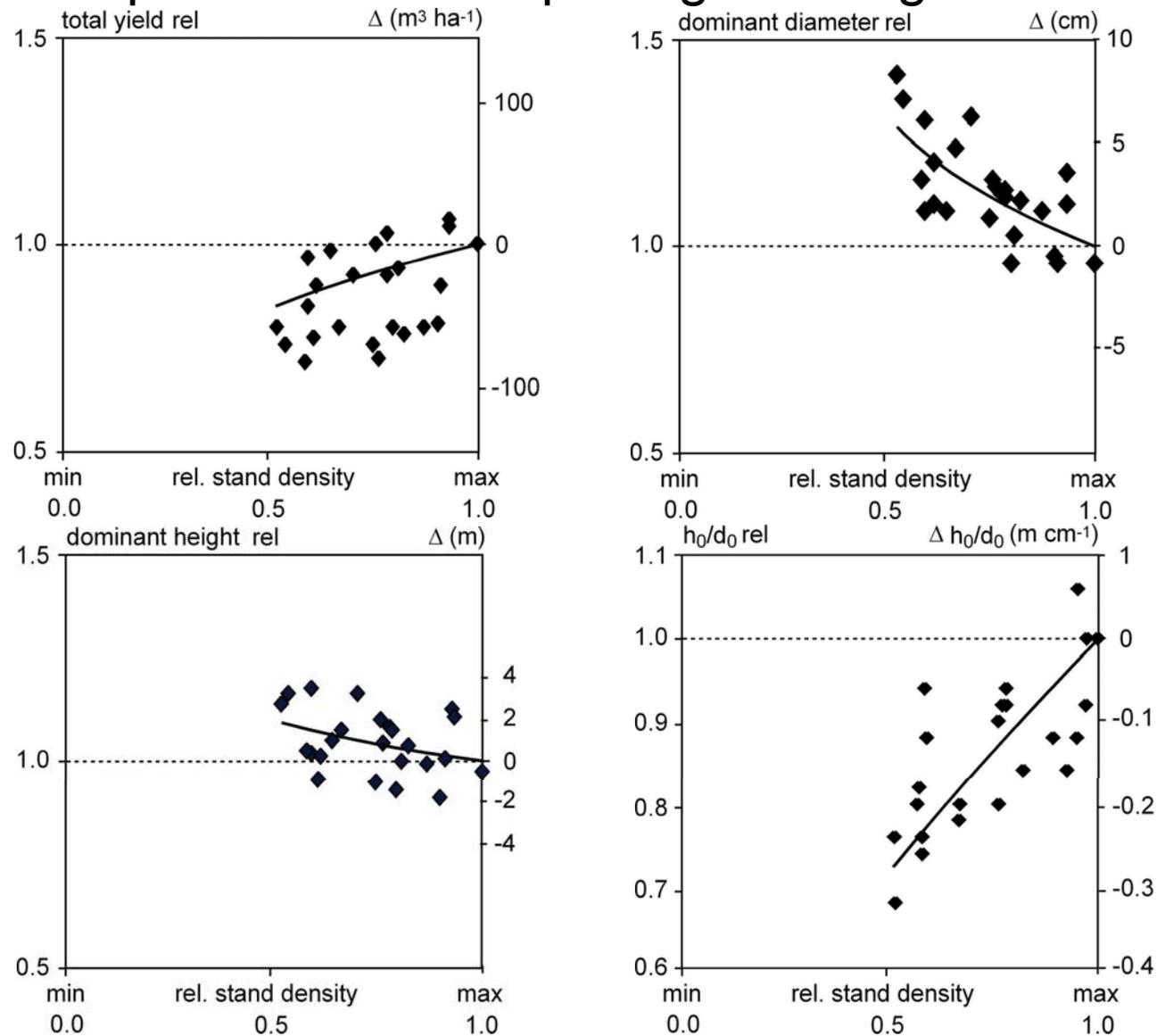
## Revelation of self-thinning lines (green) on long-term thinning experiments with different treatment variants



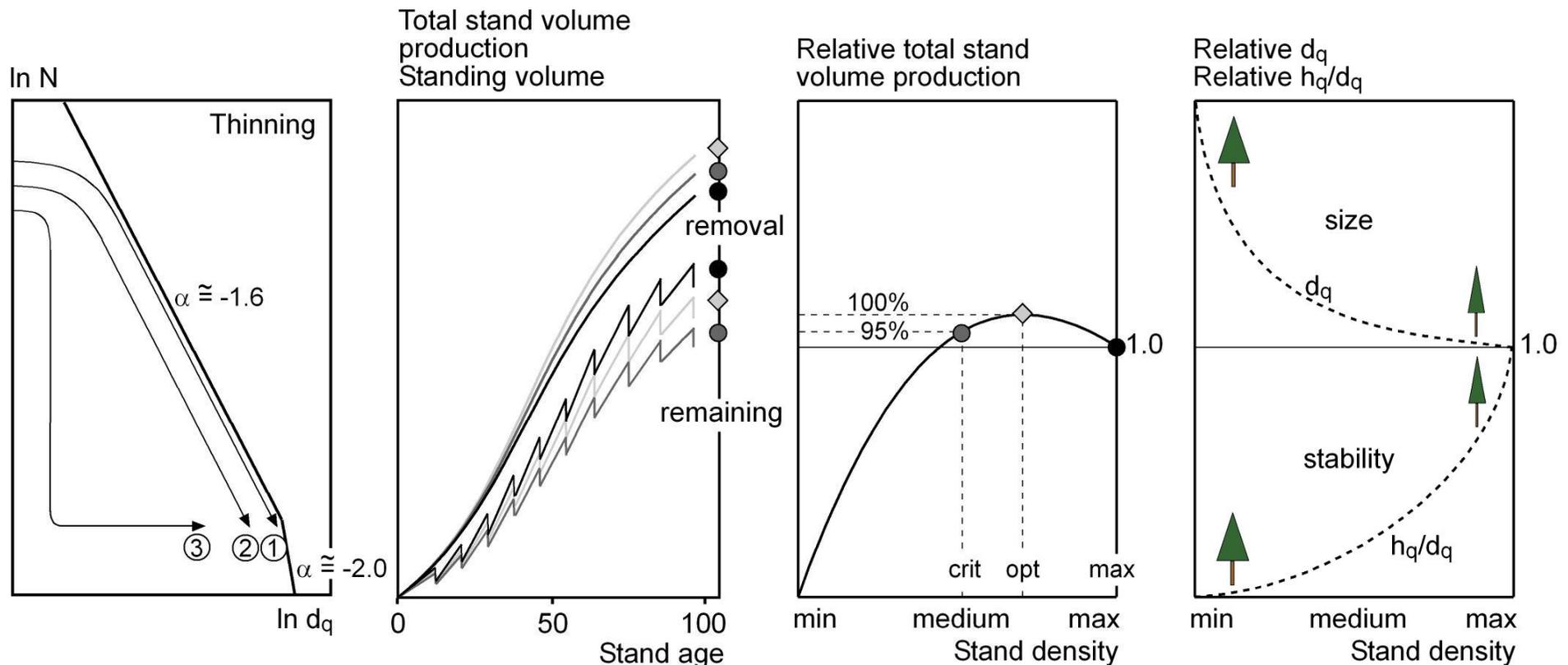
# From thinning trials to density-productivity relationships



## Tradeoff between stand productivity and mean tree growth on Scots pine combined spacing-thinning trial WEI 611

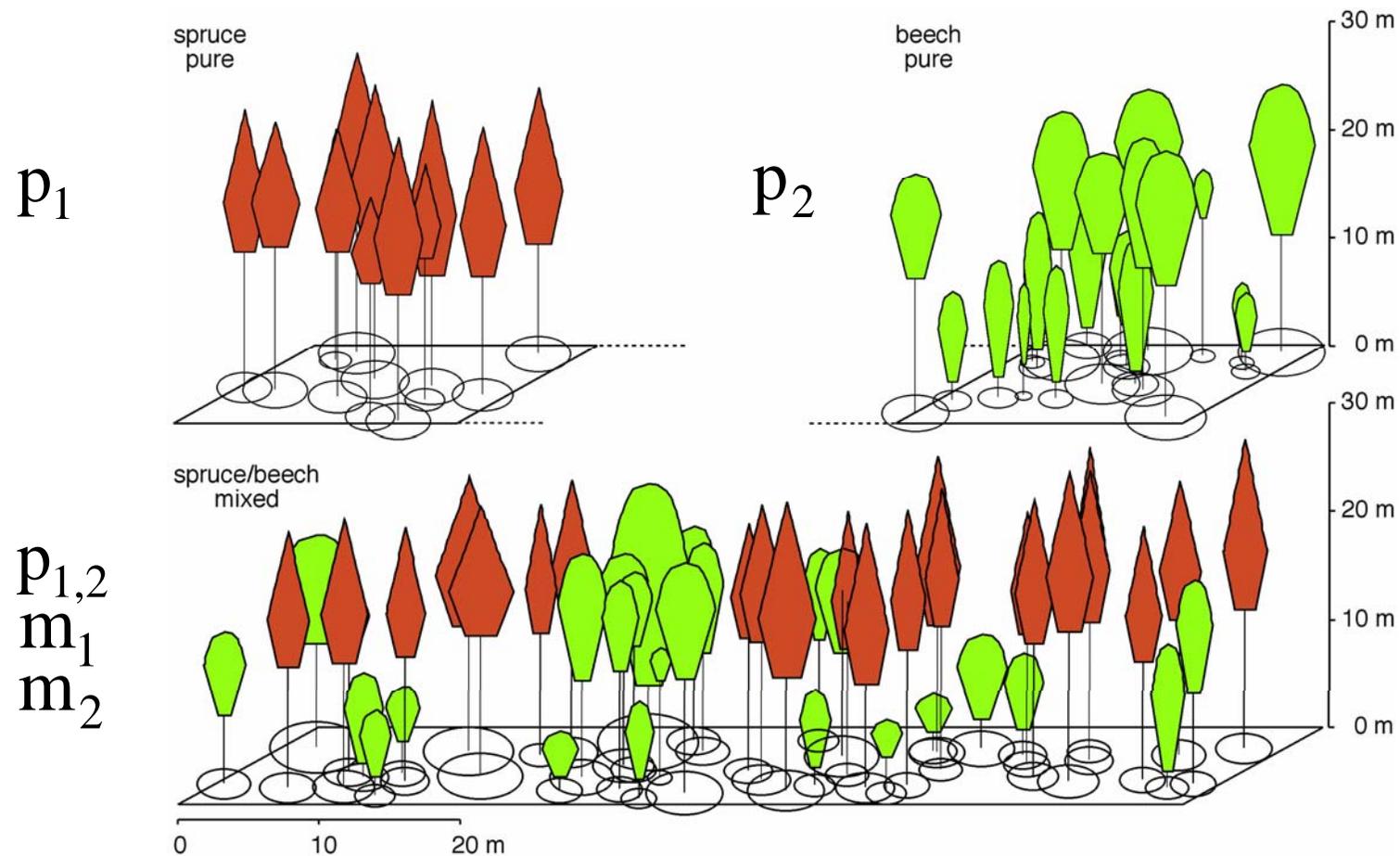


# Long-term experiments record self-thinning, remaining *and* removal stand, total production, density-productivity relationship, and tradeoff between stand and mean tree



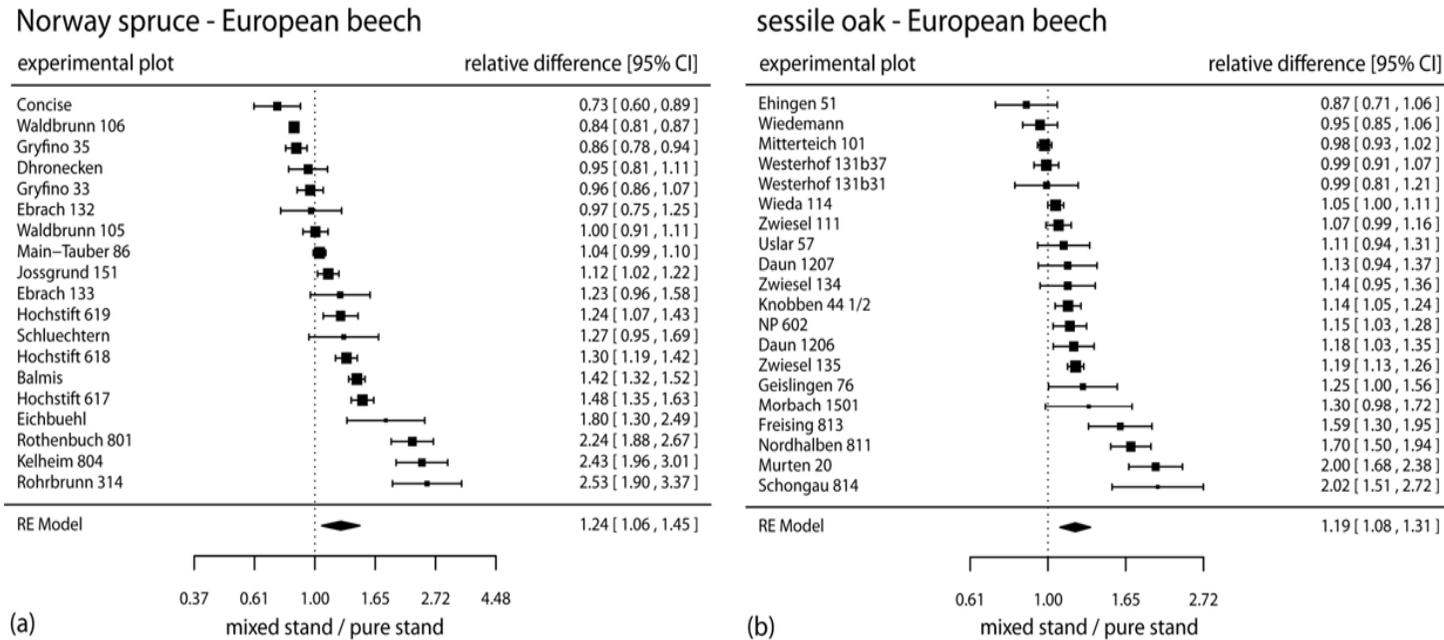


## Experimental setup for scrutiny of mixing effects Zwiesel 111/3,4,5 Bavarian Forest



$p_{1,2}$  compared with  $p_1 \times m_1 + p_2 \times m_2$

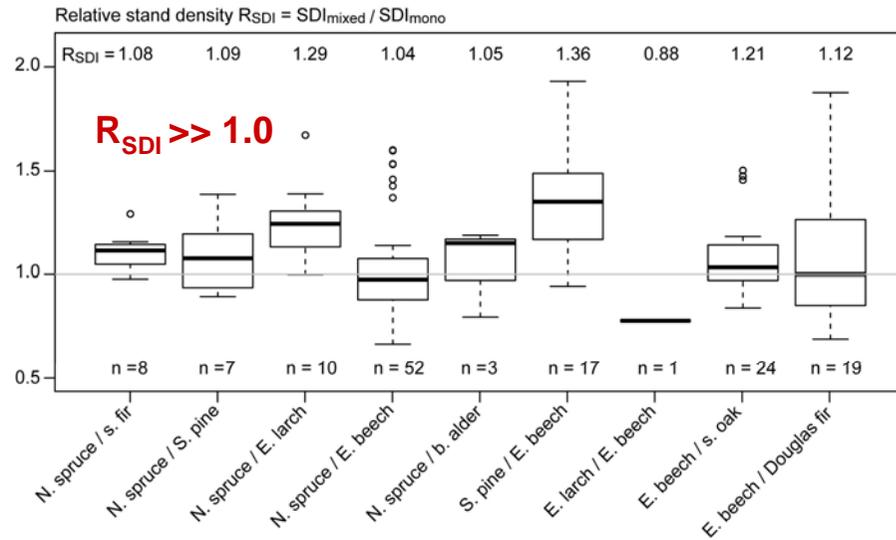
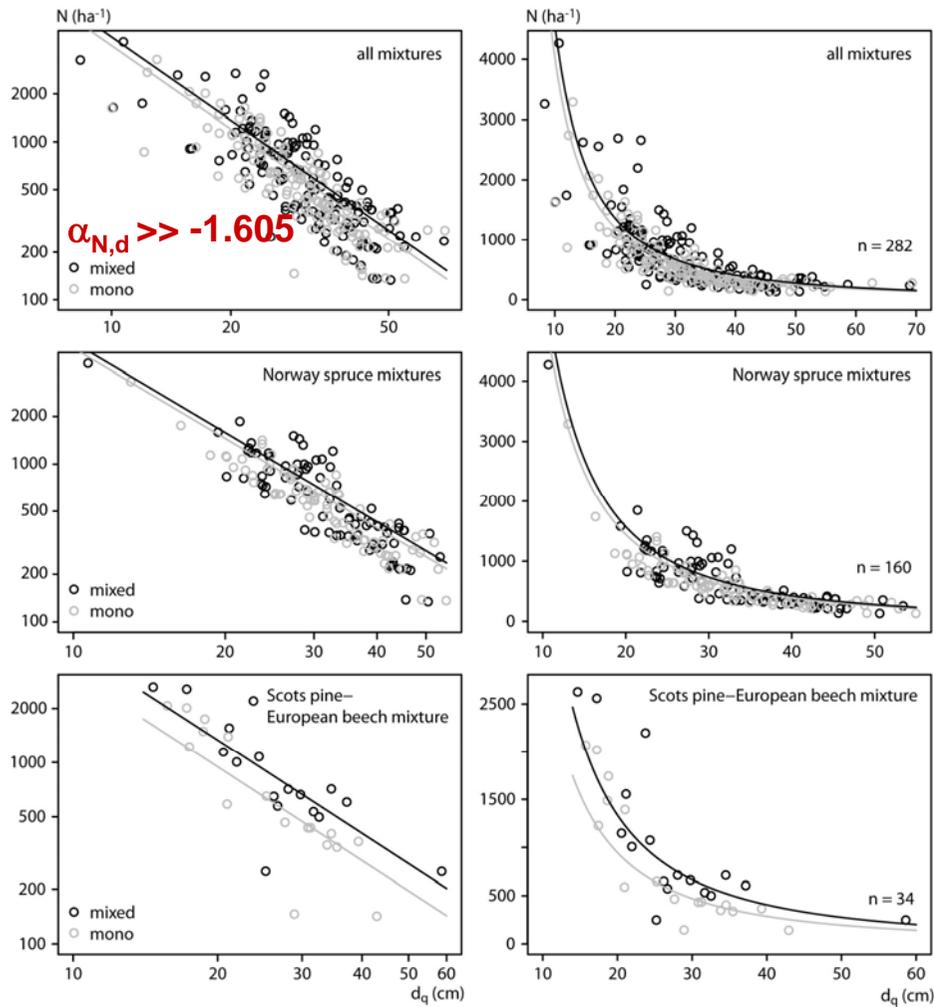
# Meta-analyses of overyielding in mixed vs. pure stands



| Species combination         | N. sp/<br>E. be | S. pi/<br>E. be | s. oak/<br>E. be | E. be/<br>D-fir | S. pi/<br>N. sp | E. la/<br>N. sp | N. sp/<br>s. fir | mean |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|------|
| overyielding<br>(± SE) in % | 21<br>(± 3)     | 30<br>(± 9)     | 20<br>(± 3)      | 11<br>(± 8)     | 21<br>(± 11)    | 25<br>(± 6)     | 13<br>(± 6)      |      |
| corr. factor                | 1.10            | 1.20            | 1.10             | 1.10            | 1.20            | 1.20            | 1.10             | 1.10 |

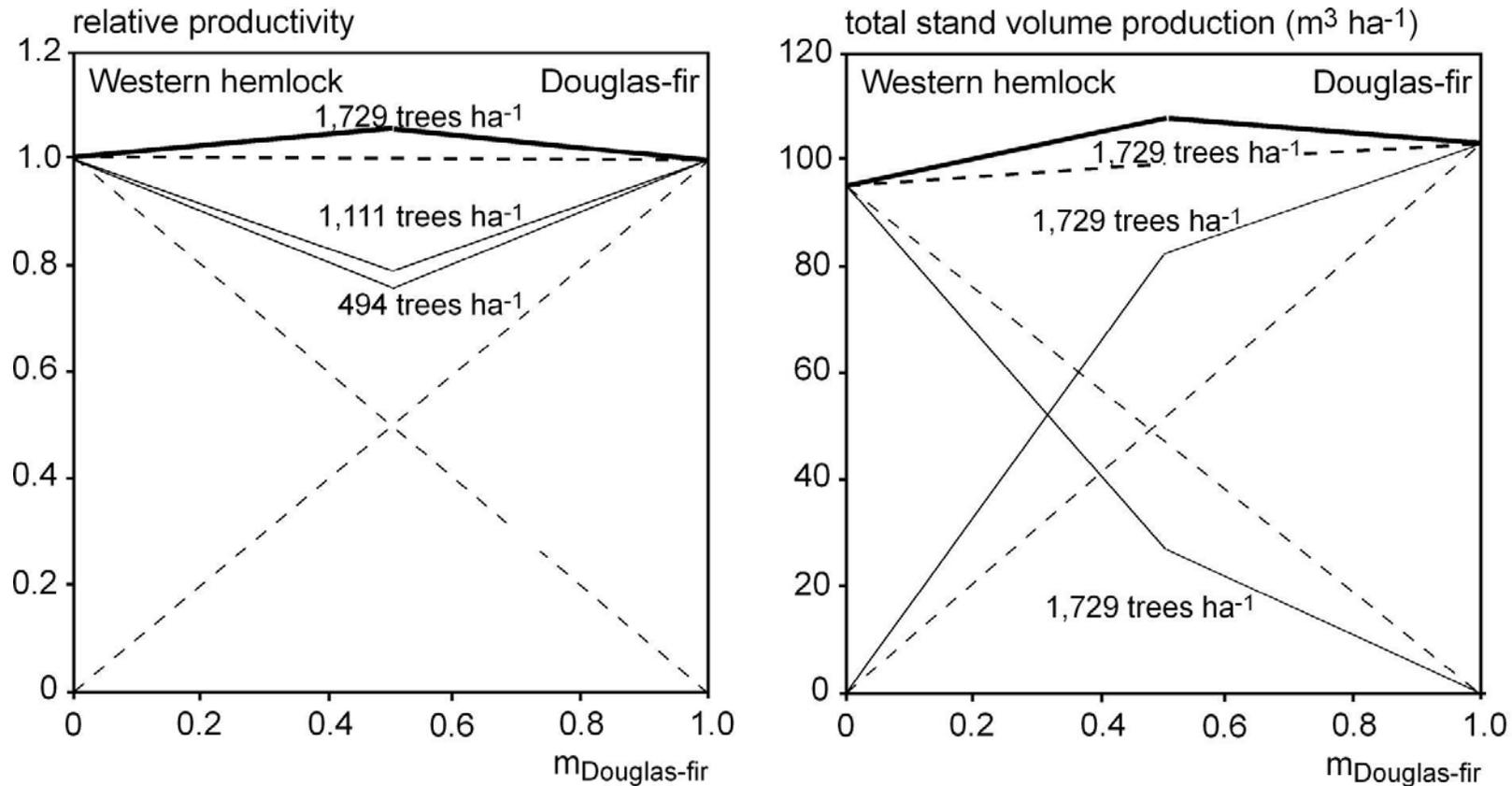
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# Effect of tree species mixing on stand density represented by self-thinning line and SDI



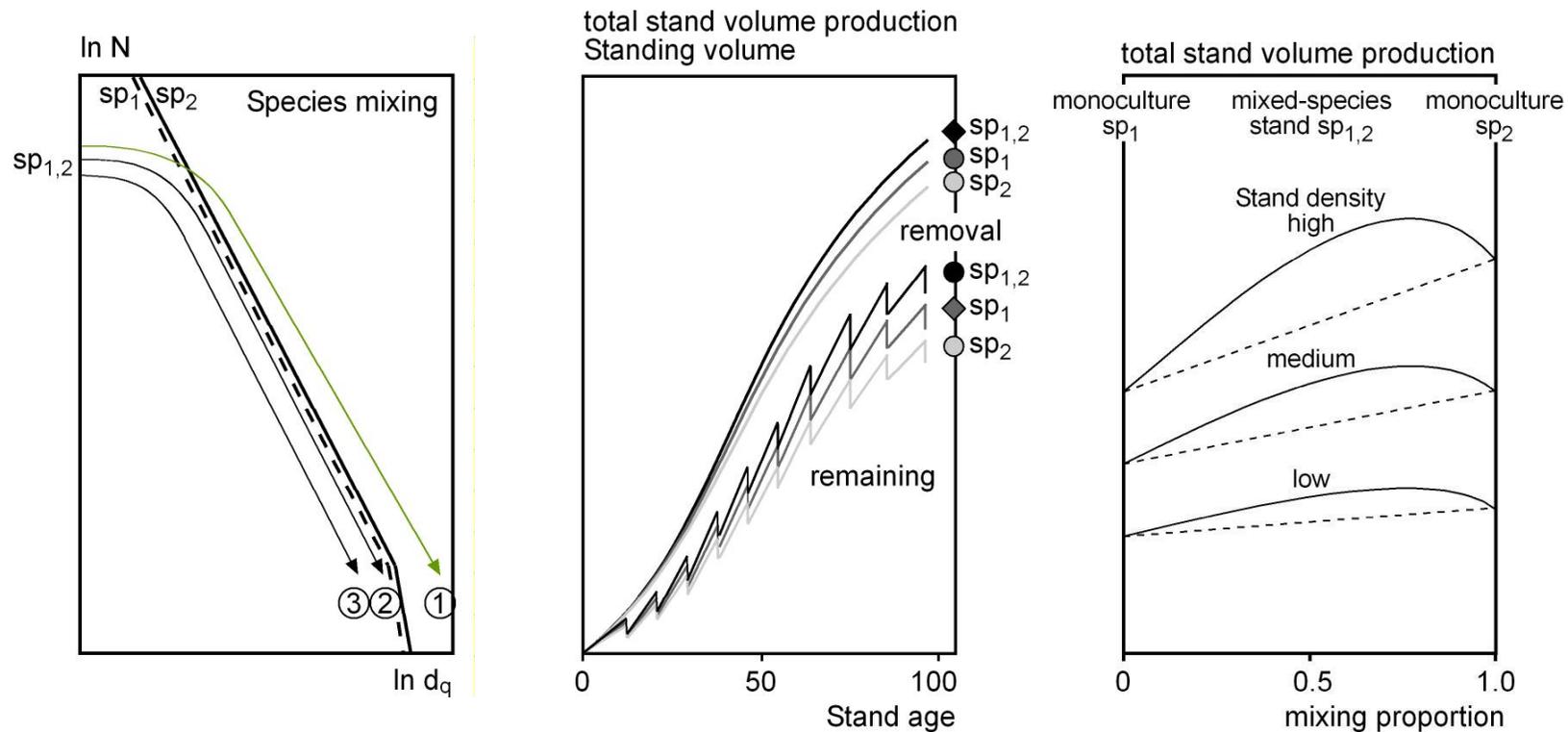
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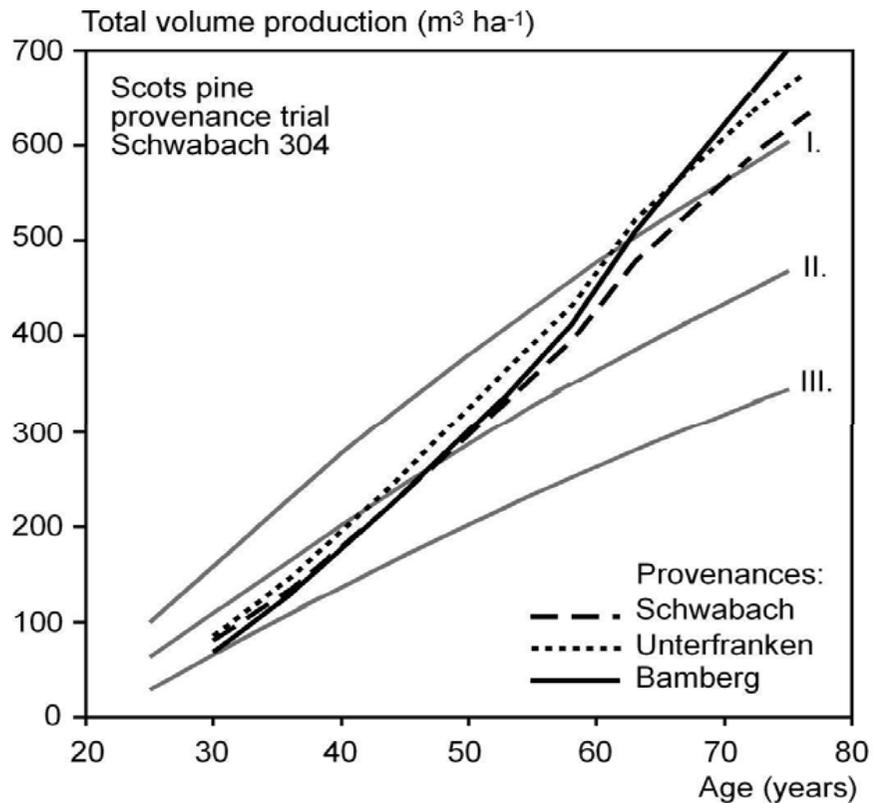
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Long-term mixing experiments can reveal the effect of mixing on stand density, remaining and removal stand, and any overyielding in total production

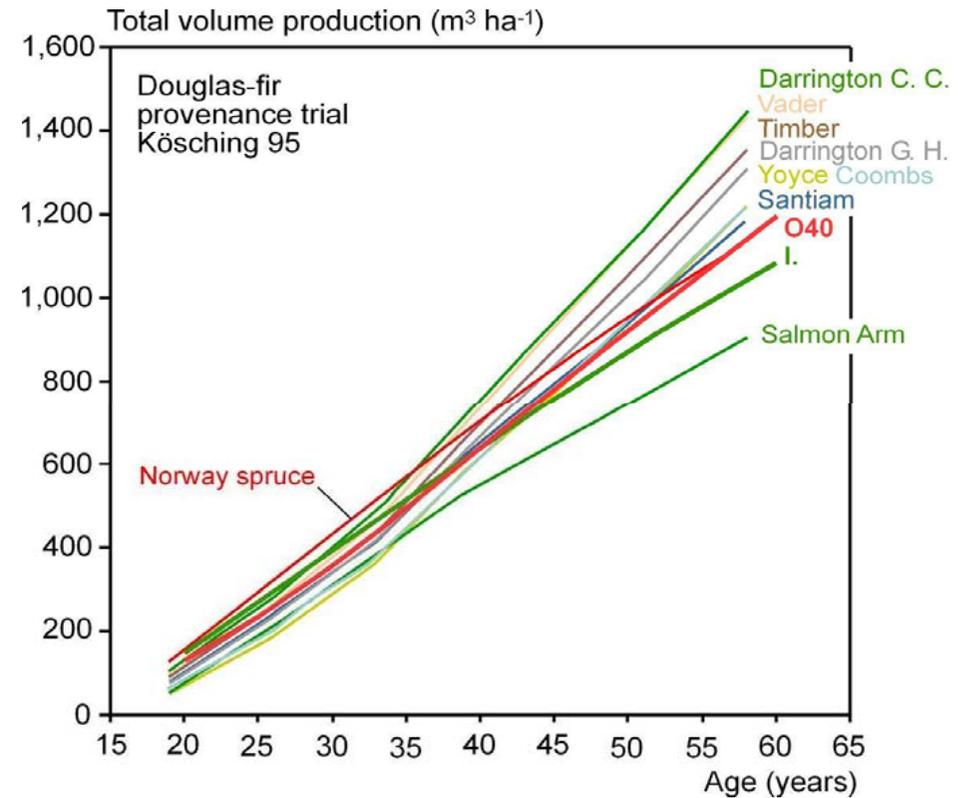




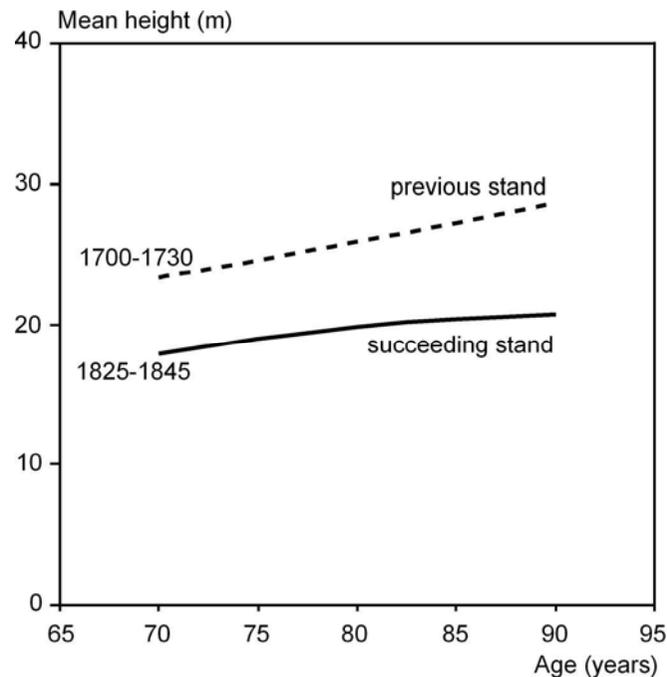
## Changes in the ranking and growth of different Scots pine provenances on long-term trials in Bavaria



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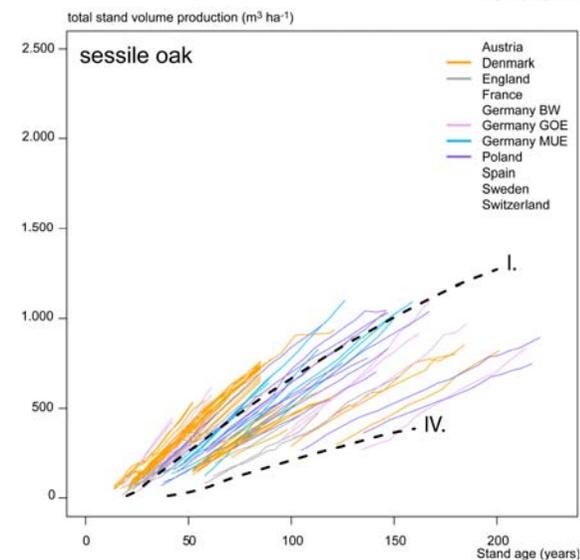
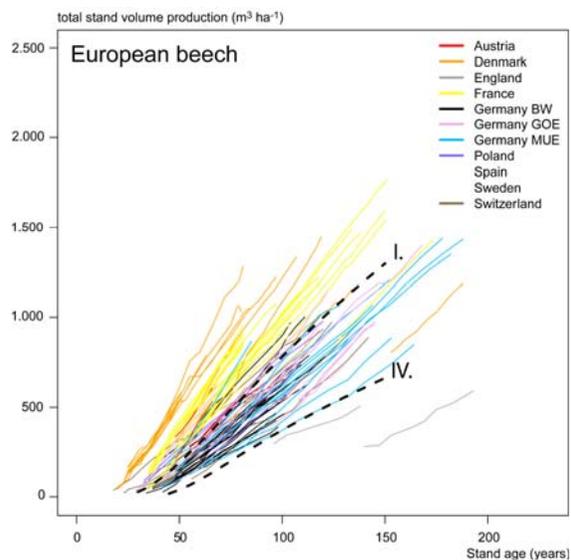
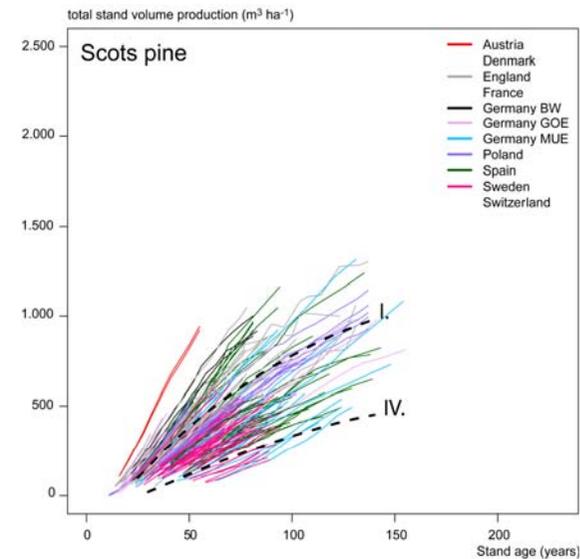
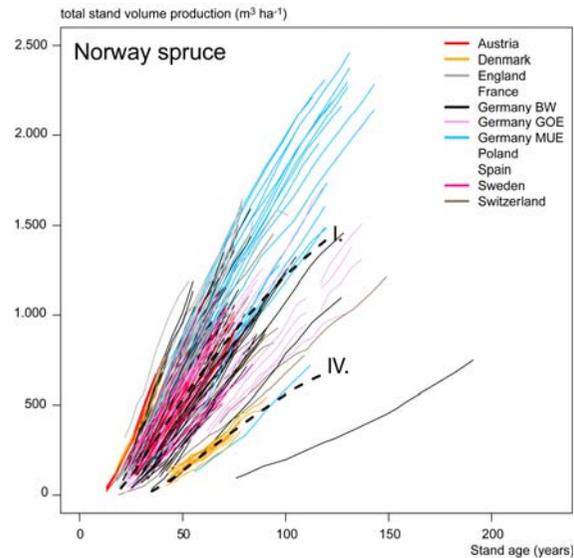


## Degradation in the site fertility by repeated cultivation of Norway spruce in Saxonia revealed by long-term survey

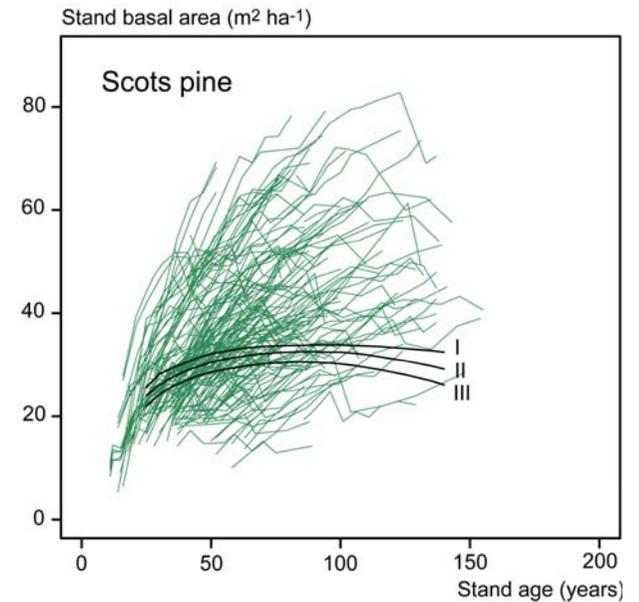
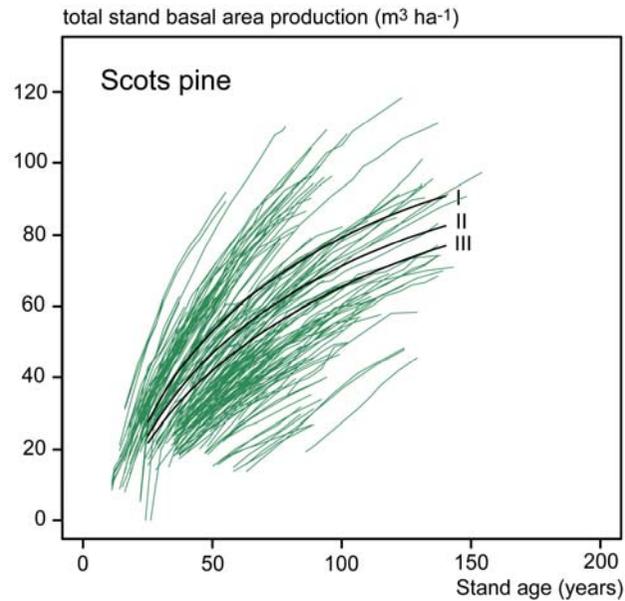
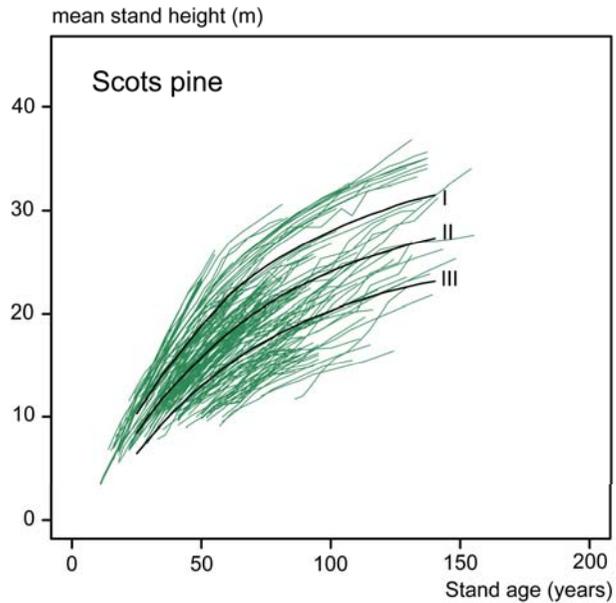


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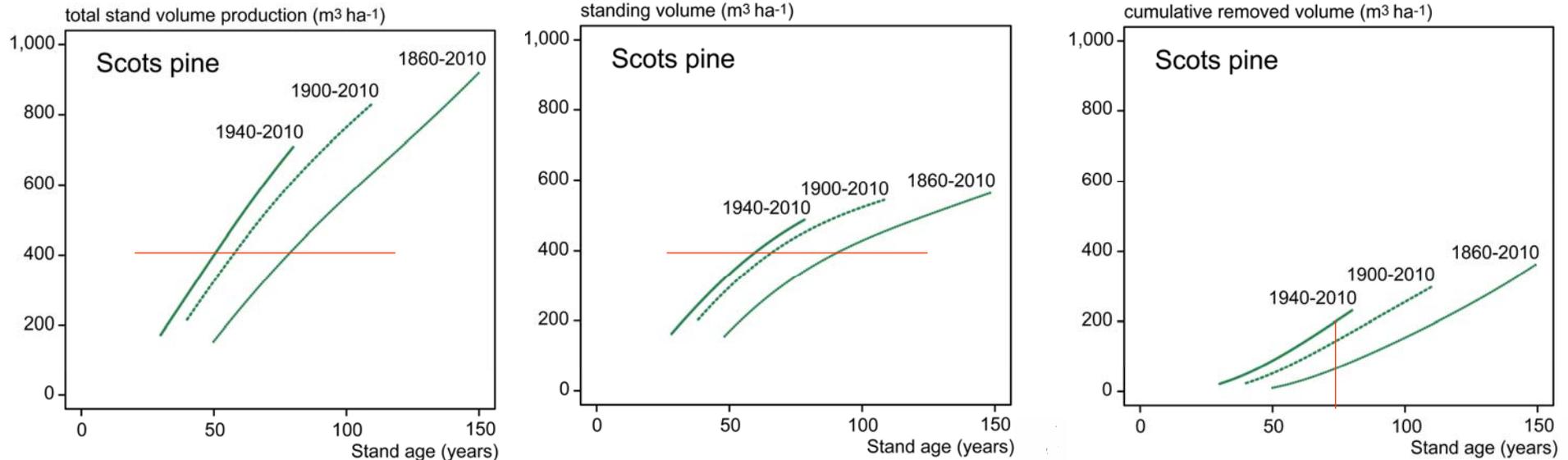
# Changes of the total stand volume production on 577 long term trials in Europe since 1860



# Growth trends of height, basal area production and stand basal area of Scots pine since 1860



# Growth trends of Scots pine in Europe



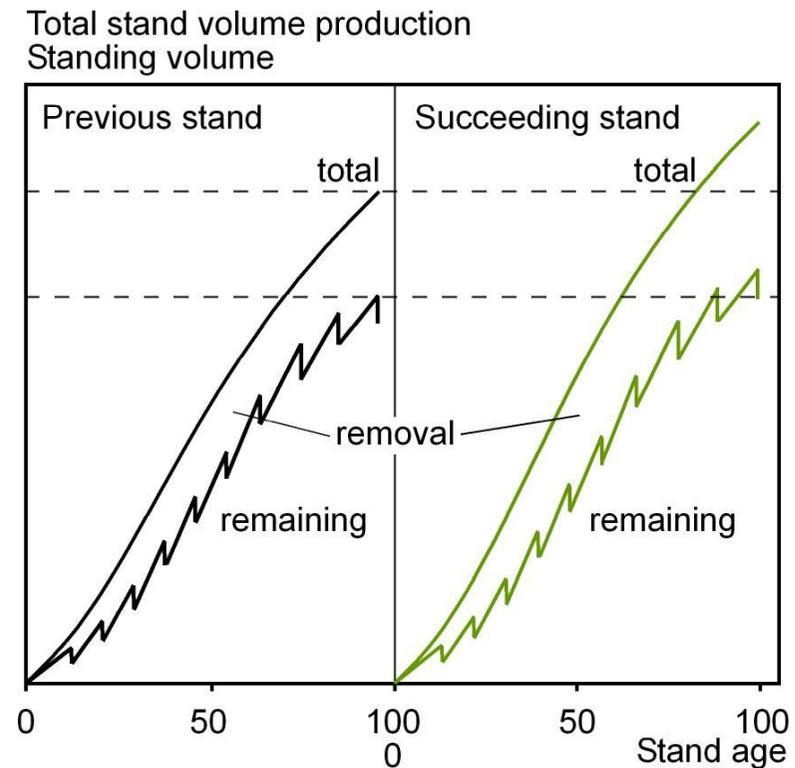
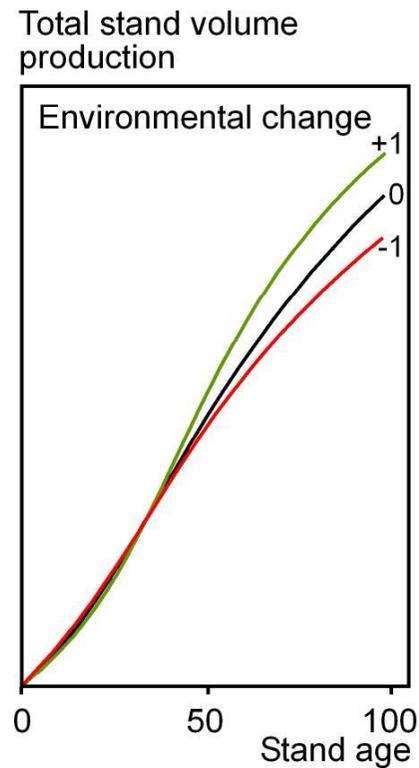
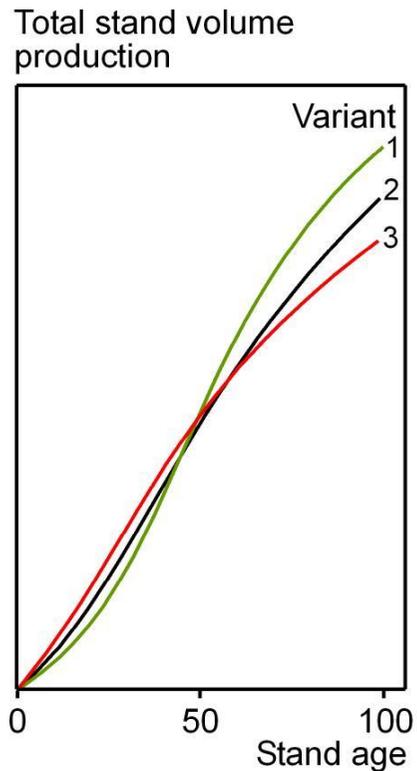
- a given total stand volume production and standing stock is reached 50 years early than 100 years ago
- at the age of 75 intermediate yield is 200 m<sup>3</sup> ha<sup>-1</sup> while it was 75 m<sup>3</sup> ha<sup>-1</sup> 100 years ago,
- this means an increase of intermediate yield by 150 %.

## Scots

### NORMAL YIELD TABLE

| Age | MAIN CROP After Thinning |                 |                |                          |  |          |          | Yield           |               |
|-----|--------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------------------|--|----------|----------|-----------------|---------------|
|     | Number of Trees          | Top Height feet | Mean BHQG ins. | Basal Area sq. ft. q. g. | Volume (h. ft.) to top diameter o. b. of |          |          | Number of Trees | Mean BHQ ins. |
|     |                          |                 |                |                          | 3 inches                                 | 7 inches | 9 inches |                 |               |
| 15  | 1650                     | 27½             | 2¾             | 86                       | 750                                      | —        | —        | —               | —             |
| 20  | 765                      | 36              | 3½             | 65                       | 1020                                     | —        | —        | 885             | 3             |
| 25  | 478                      | 44              | 4¾             | 71                       | 1380                                     | 120      | —        | 287             | 4             |
| 30  | 333                      | 51              | 6              | 80                       | 1830                                     | 610      | 95       | 145             | 5             |
| 35  | 250                      | 57½             | 7¼             | 90                       | 2330                                     | 1500     | 580      | 83              | 6½            |
| 40  | 199                      | 63½             | 8½             | 100                      | 2840                                     | 2350     | 1420     | 51              | 7½            |
| 45  | 166                      | 69              | 9¾             | 110                      | 3350                                     | 3015     | 2270     | 33              | 8¾            |

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