

S1 Table. Stand characteristics (Aboveground carbon (AGC); Leaf area index (LAI)), species diversity and location of the two sites.

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Stand characteristics		
Wood density (g cm ⁻³)	0.63 ± 0.02 (a)	0.64 ± 0.02 (a)
Stem density (ha ⁻¹)	419 ± 89 (a)	469 ± 35 (a)
Basal area (m ² ha ⁻¹)	32 ± 3 (a)	34 ± 3 (a)
AGC (Mg C ha ⁻¹)	163 ± 19 (a)	191 ± 28 (b)
LAI	3.9 ± 0.7 (a)	4.1 ± 0.8 (a)
H-D model ($H = a - b.e^{-cD}$)	a 36.358; b 31.659; c 0.022	a 42.502; b 39.147; c 0.020
Species diversity		
Species richness	76 ± 6 (a)	78 ± 7 (a)
Pielou's evenness	0.83 ± 0.03 (a)	0.85 ± 0.01 (a)
Shannon index	3.6 ± 0.2 (a)	3.7 ± 0.1 (a)
Simpson diversity	0.955 ± 0.007 (a)	0.962 ± 0.003 (b)
Site location		
Latitude (d.dddd)	0.7995	0.2918
Longitude (d.dddd)	24.5077	25.3113
Altitude (m asl)	479 ± 13	471 ± 5
Plot size (ha)	1	0.25 - 1

Regression model: ($H = a - b.e^{-cD}$). a , b and c are the optimized parameters for the individual equations per site, which represent, respectively, the maximum asymptotic height, the difference between minimum and maximum height, and shape of the curve (Banin et al. 2012). For each parameter, significance from t -test is provided between brackets comparing the two sites. Values within a row not sharing a common letter differ significantly ($p > 0.01$).