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## 1. Introduction

The BRAIN-be/RespirIT research project (contract number: BR/154/A1/RespirIT) aims at exploring and understanding the spatial and temporal effects of plant diversity on respiratory health. By linking the information on the whereabouts and medical condition of individuals to spatially explicit information of plant diversity, air quality and pollen concentrations, it has the ambition to quantitatively, dynamically, and spatially study plant diversity effects on allergic symptom severity. Yet, spatially explicit information on plant diversity is not readily available for Belgium and ready-made methods to link existing land cover maps to proxies of plant diversity are not available. Consequently, the work package 3 of the RespirIT research project seeks to provide spatially explicit proxies for plant diversity by (i) mapping the location of targeted allergenic tree species (task 3.1.1) and (ii) deriving spatially explicit proxies of plant diversity (task 3.1.2).

Within this research note, we report on the investigations accomplished to characterise our study area in terms of plant diversity. First, we provide an overview of the dataset inventory undertaken for mapping allergenic tree species in Belgium. We review the different types of datasets currently available and expose their thematic and spatial resolutions for characterising land use and plant diversity in Belgium. Second, we detail a method for mapping allergenic tree species at the national scale using datasets available within both the Flemish and the Walloon regions. Third, we expose and discuss our main results, including the presence or absence of allergenic trees across Belgium, the spatial distribution of three selected allergenic trees (*Alnus*, *Betula*, and *Corylus*), as well as their relative share in terms of basal area. Finally, we expose the key learnings honed through the mapping of allergenic tree species in Belgium and provide several research outlooks for future research.

## 2. Dataset inventory

Investigations started with a review of current database available in Belgium allowing for characterizing land use and vegetation cover. We identified three relevant types of georeferenced datasets for studying the spatial effects of plant diversity on respiratory health.

Firstly, several land use maps are available in both Flanders and Wallonia for describing land uses at a high spatial resolution. However, the Flemish and Walloon maps contain different categories of land use. This creates multiple matching issues when considering merging both datasets. Yet, the *IGN Topo Map* provides a comparative advantage as it covers the whole country. The vector map's thematic resolution differentiates coniferous tree species from deciduous tree species.

Secondly, no national-scale biodiversity map exists at this time of writing. While Flanders has completed a “biological valuation map”, Brussels and Wallonia are currently in the process of elaborating such a map. Detailed biodiversity inventories exist but need to be georeferenced and mapped. Nonetheless, a useful indicator covering the entire country is available from the LIFEWATCH project. A greenness indicator is available at a 1x1 km raster resolution to characterise plant phenology at high temporal resolution (i.e. across the weekly, monthly, yearly periods).

Thirdly, the most detailed and up-to-date information about tree diversity is contained within forest inventories. Both Flanders and Wallonia have undertaken a region-wide survey characterizing the type of tree species observed within forested areas. These datasets have a thematic resolution differentiating the tree selected allergenic tree species investigated within this research project: namely *Alnus*, *Betula*, and *Corylus*. These are available upon request by the « Agentschap voor Natuur en Bos » and the « Faculté universitaire des Sciences agronomiques de Gembloux » (Unité de Gestion des Ressources forestières et des Milieux naturels), respectively.

*Table 1. Dataset inventory summary*

	Accuracy	Coverage	Thematic resolution
<b>Land Use</b>			
IGN Topo Map	1/10.000	Belgium	Coniferous/Discidious
ECOPLAN Land Cover	5x5m	Flanders	Tree species ( <i>Betula</i> )
COSW	1/25.000	Wallonia	Coniferous/Discidious
CORINE Land Cover	1/100.000 (250x250m)	Belgium	Coniferous/Discidious
<b>Biodiversity map</b>			
Biological Valuation Map Flanders	1/10.000	Flanders	Habitat types
LIFEWATCH Greenness indicator	1km x 1km	Belgium	Plant phenology / Greenness
<b>Vegetation survey</b>			
Inventaire forestier wallon	Points (1km x 0,5km)	Wallonia	<i>Alnus/Betula/Corylus</i>
Regionale bosinventarisatie	Points (1km x 0,5km)	Flanders	<i>Alnus/Betula/Corylus</i>

### 3. Allergenic tree species distributions

#### 3.1. Forest inventory data

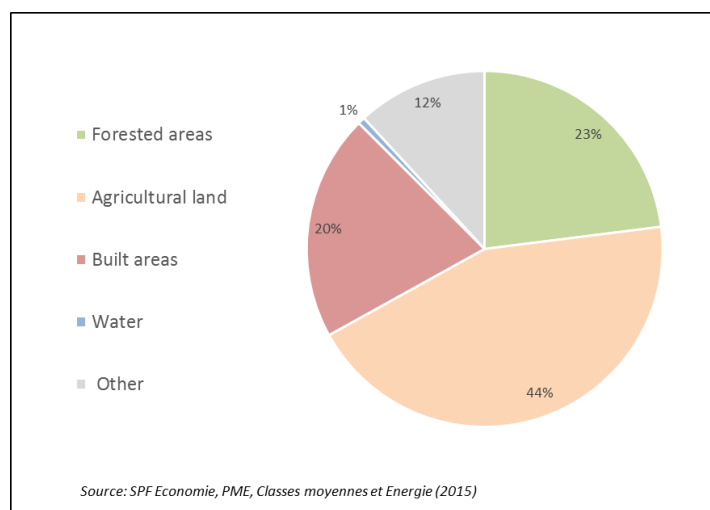
The most detailed and up-to-date information about tree abundance currently available in Belgium is contained within forest inventories. As shown in **Error! Reference source not found.**, these dataset allow covering forested areas which represent 23% of the total land area in Belgium. Both Flanders (see Afdeling Bos & Groen ( 2001)): and Wallonia (see Rondeux and Lecomte, 2010, Alderweireld et al., 2015) have undertaken a region-wide survey characterizing the type of tree species observed within forested areas. These dataset have a thematic resolution that differentiates the selected

allergenic tree species investigated within this study, namely *Alnus*, *Betula*, and *Corylus*. We processed each forest inventory separately and then merged both dataset after having checked data consistency.

The main purpose of our analysis was to extract information from the Flemish and Walloon forest inventories about allergenic trees and provide an indicator of their relative abundance within a given tree stand. This was measured by calculating an overall percentage of basal area (i.e. the area of a given section of land that is occupied by the cross-section of tree trunks and stems at the base) for the selected allergenic trees (*Alnus*, *Betula*, and *Corylus*) per sampling plot. In practical terms, we first calculate a specific basal area (in m<sup>2</sup>/ha) of each allergenic trees species studied. Then, we compute the basal area of all trees observed within the plot. Finally, we calculate a final indicator, which is an overall relative percentage of basal area.

*Table 2 Metadata of both forest inventories*

	Inventaire forestier wallon	Regionale bosinventarisatie
Number of sampling plots	13.228	2.147
Reference year	1994-2004; 2008-2017	2009-2017
Spatial reference system	Belgian Lambert 72	Belgian Lambert 72
Spatial reference scale	Points (1km x 0,5km)	Points (1km x 0,5km)
Author	Walloon region	INBO



*Figure 1. Relative share of land use types in Belgium*

### 3.1.1. Processing the Walloon forest inventory dataset

#### **3.1.1.1. Dataset's content**

The Walloon forest inventory is based on 11.080 sampling plots in which trees are surveyed on a regular basis (see Rondeux and Lecomte, 2010, Alderweireld et al., 2015). Since 1994, two survey

cycles were undertaken. The first one took 14 years long. The second one started in 2008 and is still ongoing (to date, 50% is complete). The dataset contains two main tables.

The first table provided within the dataset (sheet “Placettes”) details the general characteristics of each plot, including:

- Plot’s geographic coordinates
- Date surveyed (ranging from May 2008 to March 2015)
- Overall type of tree stand (e.g. oak grove, pine forest, etc.)
- Structure (coppice, tree stand forest, etc.)
- The *Waleunis* code classification

A second table (sheet “Essence”) provides information about the allergenic tree species surveyed within the plot, namely *alnus*, *betula* and *corylus* (respectively alder, birch, and hazel in English). For a given plot, a new line is added each time a different type of tree is observed. Trees are differentiated on the basis of their structure which is either under the form of a coppice (*taillis*) or a stand forest (*futaie*). Stand forests are then sub-divided in two categories of level 1 and 2 (*étage forestier*).

Within the sample table below for instance, the third line corresponds to a *corylus* observed under the form of a coppice. On the same plot (line four), *betula* is also observed under the form of a tree stand of level 2 (high trees).

Table 3. Dataset extract describing the type of trees observed

ign	npl	cy	source	etg_f	ess	essence	pcgha	nha	gha	vha
2856	258	2	tai		20	Noisetier	1			
3178	219	2	fut	1	22	Bouleau	0.073	20.546	2.681	26.207
4956	237	2	tai		20	Noisetier	1	160.132	2.247	15.787
4956	237	2	fut	2	22	Bouleau	0.622	321.403	5.667	44.365

### 3.1.1.2. Variables available

The dataset “essence” contains different measures describing the presence of allergenic trees. Two of these are of particular interest for the purpose of this study: the type of tree observed (variable “ess” or “essence”) and the share of tree species within the tree stand (variable “pcgha”).

The variable “ess” allows identifying the type of allergenic tree observed within a plot. It has, however, some limitations as the count only includes trees with a circumference greater than 20 cm.

Besides, a threshold of minimum 20 trees has been set by surveyors for sampling *corylus* (see first line in table 1 above). From this limitation, the variables “nha”, “gha”, and “vha” are not calculated.

The variable “pcgha” on the opposite is better suited for evaluating the relative presence of allergenic trees. When a tree with a circumference under 20 cm is observed within a plot, the species’ relative share within the tree stand is still provided based on an estimation from the surveyor.

Table 4. Variables description

Variables available	Dataset’s original definition	English translation
ign, np	<i>Identification des placettes</i>	Plot’s identification number
cy	<i>Cycle</i>	Survey cycle
source	<i>Type de structure</i>	Structure type (coppice vs stand forest)
etg_f	<i>Etage forestier</i>	Stand forest’s level (1 or 2)
ess	<i>Code de l’ essence</i>	Tree species ID
essence	<i>Nom de l’ essence</i>	Tree species name
pcgha	<i>Proportion de l’essence considérée pour un étage et une structure dans le peuplement (% de la surface terrière)</i>	Share of the tree species considered within the tree stand (% of the basal area)
nha	<i>Nombre de tiges de l’essence à l’hectare” (n/ha)</i>	Number of tree species per hectare (n/ha)
gha	<i>Surface terrière de l’essence à l’hectare (m<sup>2</sup>/ha)</i>	Basal area of the tree species per hectare (m <sup>2</sup> /ha)
vha	<i>Volume bois fort tige de l’essence à l’hectare (m<sup>3</sup>/ha)</i>	Volume of wood per hectare (m <sup>3</sup> /ha)

Note that the first dataset (sheet “Placettes”) contains two entries with geographic coordinates defining the plot location: one is derived from the IGN cartographic grid (which serves as the reference for the sampling), while the other one contains the GPS coordinates from the field. We choose to use the GPS coordinates from the field in prior. When the latter was not available, we used the one from the sampling grid to locate the plot.

### 3.1.1.3. Aggregation procedures

- *Alnus incana* vs *Alnus glutinosa*

The datasets’ level of detail requires two types of aggregation for the purpose of this study:

- Aggregating observations over the type of *Alnus*
- Aggregation observations over the type of tree structure.



The dataset differentiates the *Alnus incana* and the *Alnus glutinosa*. When those two types of tree are observed within the same plot, we aggregated these under the general tree category “*Alnus*” in order to simplify the analysis. In total, *Alnus* is observed within 169 plots. Among these plots, 139 plots contain *alnus incana* or *alnus glutinosa* only, but 30 plots contain a combination of both species. For these cases, all variables were summed up.

- *Coppice vs tree stand*

Likewise, when the same type of allergenic tree was observed under two different forms (e.g. under the form of coppice and high stand forest of level 1), we also summed the two observations into one observation only.

Consequently, these two aggregations simplify the dataset for 285 plots (19.6%) where details about the type of *Alnus* observed and/or the tree species’ structure (coppice, tree stand of level 1 or 2) are not available anymore.

#### **3.1.1.4. Determination of predicted values for non-measured trees**

The WFI contains an important number of non-measured trees whose circumference is lower than 20cm. As a result, the basal area in m<sup>2</sup>/ha is not provided for these observations (see first row in Table 1 for instance). In total, non-measured trees represent 36,7% of the dataset (690 observations). Yet, surveyors provided an estimated overall basal area in percent (variable “pcgha”) per tree species and tree structure. Drawing upon this information, we computed an estimated basal area in m<sup>2</sup>/ha using values from measured trees.

The approach undertaken was two-fold as we considered pure tree stands (pcgha =100%) separately from those containing another tree species (pcgha < 100%). Indeed, a coppice of corylus under a tree stand with of basal area of 50% has not the same meaning than a pure coppice of corylus with a basal area of 100%. The latter’s basal area (variable “gha” in m<sup>2</sup>/ha) may be higher than the former.

Therefore, for trees with a pcgha of 100%, we calculated an average gha per tree specie (*Alnus*, *Betula*, and *Corylus*) and structure (coppice vs tree stand). No values were calculated for corylus under the form of a tree stand as this type of tree structure does not exist. The following mean values ( $\bar{x}$ ) were assigned:

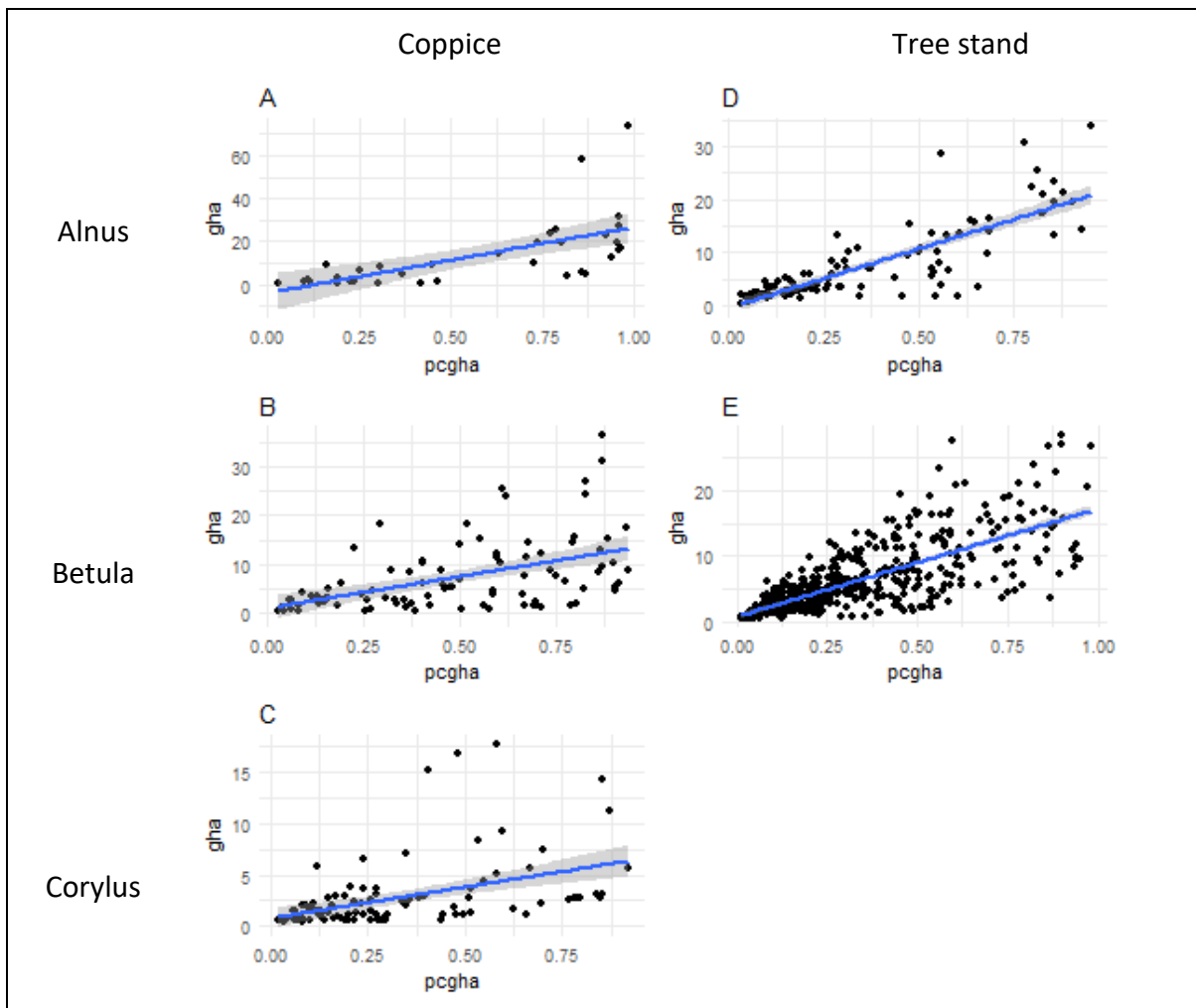
	Coppice		Tree stand	
	<i>N</i>	$\bar{x}$	<i>N</i>	$\bar{x}$
Alnus	18	12.2	11	14.3
Betula	66	6.4	57	12.4
Corylus	13	2.6	NA	NA

Then, for tree species with a pcgha lower than 100%, we built five linear regression models. By establishing a statistical relationship between measured gha and pcgha, we were able to predict and assign a gha value for non-measured observations. As the figure below shows, the correlation between these two variables vary depending on the observations available per tree species (k) and structure (l). The weakest relationship was found for coppices of corylus (plot C;  $R^2 = 0,513$ ), while the strongest relationship was observed for Alnus under the form of a tree stand (plot D;  $R^2 = 0,842$ ).

Predicted values were determined as follow:

$$gha_{jk} = pcgha_{jk} * E_{jkl}$$

- With:
- $gha_{jk}$  = predicted basal area of tree specie k for plot j (m<sup>2</sup>/ha)
  - $pcgha_{jk}$  = field-estimated basal area of non-measured tree species k (%)
  - $E_{jkl}$  = linear regression model estimate for tree specie k and strucure l (m<sup>2</sup>/ha)



In total, 1.880 observations from the initial dataset were trimmed down to 1.722 observations after aggregation (8,4% decrease). These 1.722 observations of allergenic trees are found within a total number of 832 sampling plots. When joined to the entire database from the Walloon forest inventory, plots containing at least one allergenic tree represent 7,5% of the dataset.

### 3.1.2. *Processing the Flemish forest inventory dataset*

#### 3.1.2.1. Dataset input tables

The Flemish Forest Inventory (FFI) database was provided under the form of an access database. It contains more than 83 tables with information about tree structure, plot types, surveyors, etc. (see Wouters et al., 2008). One table named "Trees\_2eBosinv" was selected and exported for processing in R. Table 4 shows an extract of this table, including 9 selected variables used for the purpose of this study. Within the sample table below for instance, the two first lines correspond to two *Alnus* trees

(Species “10”). On the same plot (line 3 and 4), two Betula are also observed (Species “12”). All trees are alive (status tree = 1).

*Table 5. Dataset extract with selected variables*

IDPlots	X_m	Y_m	ID	Species	Perimeter_cm	Status_tree	DummyID_A3	DummyID_A3
157138	-4.936	-4.936	8	10	58	1	7	0
157138	0.257	0.257	1	10	30	1	1	0
157138	1.573	1.573	7	12	70	1	6	0
157138	2.887	2.887	6	12	30	1	5	0

Table 5 provides a definition of the key variables used for evaluating trees’ basal area and mapping species’ spatial distribution.

*Table 6. Variables description*

Variable	Description
IDPlots	Plot’s identification number
X_m	X geographic coordinate
Y_m	Y geographic coordinate
ID	Tree’s ID
Specie	Tree specie’s ID. Number referring to species’ name
Perimeter_cm	Tree perimeter at breast height
Status_tree	Tree status (dead or alive)
CodeCoppice_Individual	Coppice type

### 3.1.2.2. Data management and selection

A comparison between the first and second forest inventories was made in order to identify the most relevant dataset to use. In this regard, the table "Trees" (considered as the 1st inventory) and the table "Trees\_2eBosinv" (the 2nd forest inventory) were analysed comparatively. The table "Trees\_2eBosinv" is definitively the most comprehensive dataset. It contains 2.156 plots in total, while the table "Trees" contains 1.721 plots only. Besides, all plots (despite 24 exceptions) from the first inventory are found within the second one (see *Figure 2* below). The survey grid (red tiles in *Figure 2* or ‘rooster’ shapefile) allowed identifying areas where data are not up to date yet. These are plots where field surveys are planned for the year 2018 and 2017.

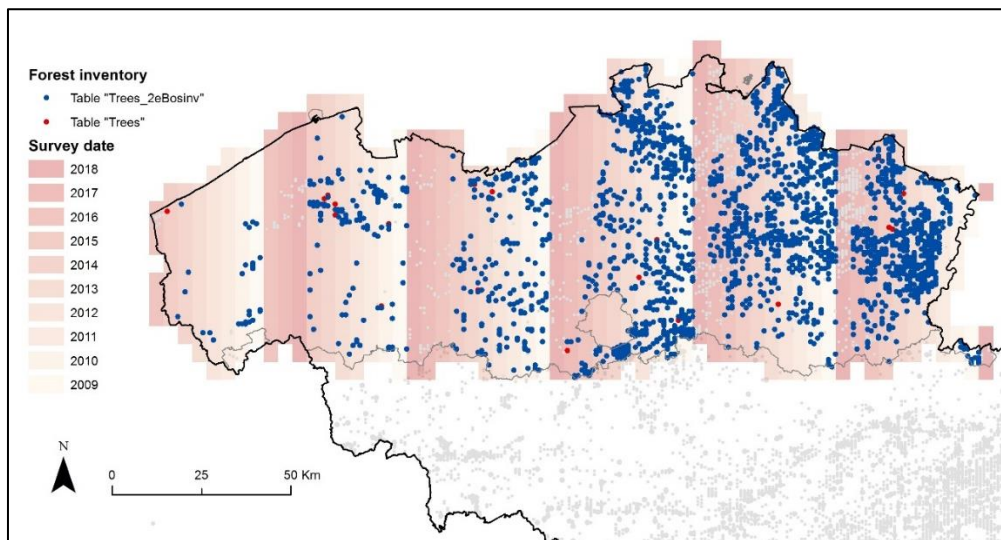


Figure 2. Sampling coverage of the first and second forest inventories

Such data spatial coverage gaps has to crarfully taken into account for the next modellng steps. In **Error! Reference source not found.**Figure 3 below, we illustrate these gaps by showing (i) the plots contained in the FFI database where, according to our calculations, there is either no allergenic tree (red points) or between 0% and 100% of the total basal area (green points). (ii) In yellow, the plots we expect to fall within a forested area (attribbte 'bos'=1 within the original 'invb2' shapefile that contains all the sampling plots). Their absence within the IFF dataset can be explained by the fact that either the plot does not exist anymore in the surey or has not been (re)surveyed yet, which explains why it is absent from the FFI database. (iii) The red rectangles consist of tiles from the 'rooster' shapefile (see Figure 3 above) that match with the plots extracted from the FFI database analysis. Finally, (iv) the grey rectangles are the tiles from the 'rooster' shapefile that do not match with the plots extracted from the FFI database analysis. Fortunately, since we received an updated version of the the Flemish forst inventory database in 2019, the yellow points and missing areas in grey are now included in the database and can be considered for predicting the distribution of allergenic tree species (see updated maps in the result sections).

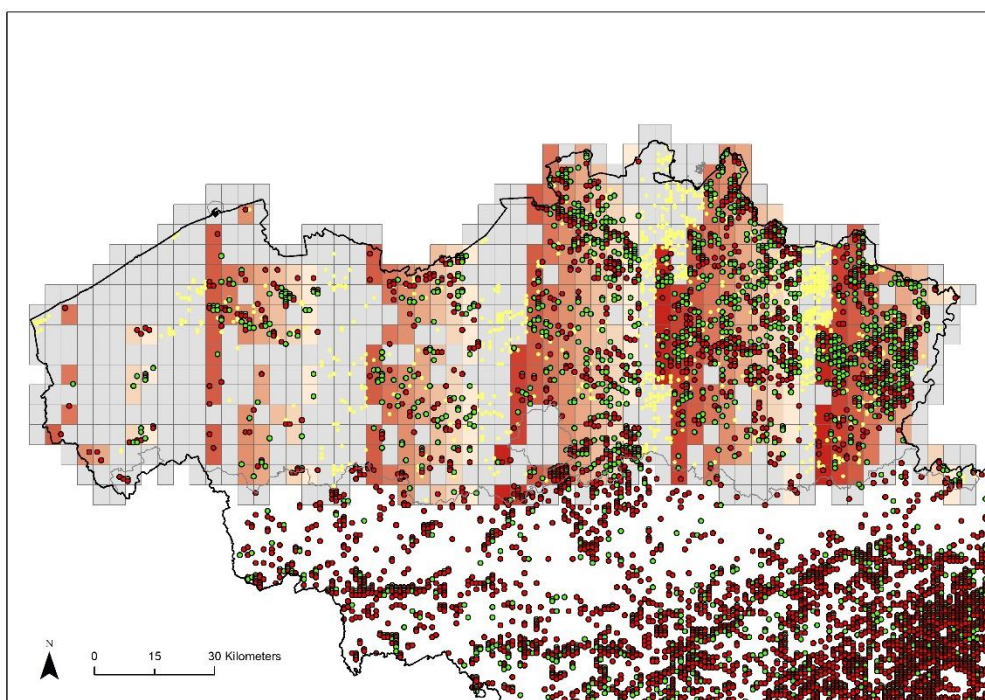


Figure 3. Illustration of data spatial coverage gaps within the Flemish forest inventory.

The dataset selected contains 43.582 observations in total. The first step needed for processing this dataset is to remove all dead trees (2.611 observations) and keep living trees using the variable “Status\_tree”. Then, a selection is operated to extract 3 allergenic tree species. This selection is based on the variable “species” (see table 6 below).

Table 7. List of allergenic tree species

Species	Dataset’s original name	Scientific name
10	Zwarte els	<i>Alnus glutinosa</i> (L.) Gaertn.
11	Zwarte els	<i>Alnus incana</i> (L.) Moench
1470*	Hartbladige els*	<i>Alnus cordata</i> (Loisel.) Duby*
12	Berk	<i>Betula tremula/alba</i>
146*	Zachte berk*	<i>Betula alba</i> L.*
128*	Ruwe berk*	<i>Betula pendula</i> Roth*
14	Hazelaar	<i>Corylus avellana</i> L.

\*Not considered for analysis

The FFI contains three additional types of *Betula* compared to the WFF (species “1470”, “146”, and “128”). So far, these were not considered for the analysis in order to facilitate the comparison between datasets. Not considering these tree species means deleting 7 observations in total. This low number of *Betula alba* L. and *Betula pendula* Roth is due to the lack of specification of tree species by fieldworks who do not specify the type of species when surveying the plots.

	<i>Number of observations</i>
	N
Alnus incana	217
Alnus glutinosa	2251
Betula	4938
Corylus	419

### 3.1.2.3. Calculation of tree species' basal area

Unlike the WFI, the FFI does not contain a variable describing trees' basal area. Drawing upon Afdeling Bos & Groen (2001, p.29-30), we thus calculated a basal area according to the following third-step procedure.

First, a basal area for each individual tree within a plot is calculated following this equation:

$$g_{ij} = \frac{c_{ij}^2}{4 \cdot \pi \cdot 10000}$$

With:  $g_{ij}$  = basal area of tree i within the sampling plot j (m<sup>2</sup>)  
 $c_{ij}$  = perimeter of tree i within the sampling plot j (cm), i.e. variable "Tree\_perimeter".

Second, a total basal area per hectare is calculated depending on the type of sampling plot (A2, A3 or A4).

$$G_{jk} = \left( \sum_{n2jk} g_{ijk} \times F_2 \right) + \left( \sum_{n3jk} g_{ijk} \times F_3 \right) + \left( \sum_{n4jk} g_{ijk} \times F_4 \right)$$

With:  $G_{jk}$  = total basal area of allergenic trees k within the sampling plot j (m<sup>2</sup>/ha)  
 $g_{ijk}$  = basal area of tree i within the sampling plot j (m<sup>2</sup>)  
 $n_{2jk}, n_{3jk}, n_{4jk}$  = number of trees k from plot type A2, A3, and A4 within plot j  
 $F_2, F_3, F_4$  = extension factor for plot type A2, A3, and A4

The extension factor used were:

- plot type A1: R1 = 2,25 m → F1 = 628,76
- plot type A2: R2 = 4,5 m → F2 = 157,19

- plot type A3: R3 = 9 m → F3 = 39,30
- plot type A4: R4 = 18 m → F4 = 9,82

Four plot types were identified using variables “perimeter” and “Height” based on the following conditions determined by Afdeling Bos & Groen ( 2001, p.29-30):

- plot type A1: “zaailingen” with a total height < 2m
- plot type A2: Coppice; trees with perimeter < 22cm and a total height >= 2m
- plot type A3: Trees with perimeter between 22cm and 122cm
- plot type A4: Tree with perimeter > 122cm

Third, after having calculated this basal area for allergenic tree species ( $G_{jk}$ ), a second basal area ( $G_{jf}$ ) is calculated for all tree species observed within the sampling plot.

Drawing upon these two values, a relative global basal area in percent is finally measured as follow:

$$G_j = \frac{G_{jk}}{G_{jf}} * 100$$

With:  $G_j$  = relative basal area of allergenic trees k for plot j (%)

$G_{jk}$  = basal area of allergenic tree species (m<sup>2</sup>/ha)

$G_{jf}$  = basal area of all tree species (m<sup>2</sup>/ha)



### 3.1.3. Creating a Belgian forest inventory dataset

At the outset, we created a Belgian dataset where both Flemish and Walloon dataset were merged. A shapefile named ‘data\_sp\_BEL\_pcGHA\_FULL’ was built, which contains absolute and relative basal areas values (see table 7 below for variable details). The step-by-step computation method from R scripts can also be found in Appendix under the section named “ Belgian Forest Inventory (RespirIT\_IF\_BEL.R)”.

Table 8. Details on output variables

Acronym	Denomination	Description	Unit	Values
ID_BEL	Plot’s identification number	In Wallonia a unique ID was built by merging the field ‘ign’ (ngi-based sampling grid number) and ‘npl’ ( <i>numéro de placette</i> ) contained in the forest inventory database. In Flanders, the unique ID provided in the database (field ‘IDPlots’) was kept.	NA	NA
X	Plot’s X coordinate	X geographic coordinate in Belge Lambert 1972 extracted from the forest inventories database	m	Continuous
Y	Plot’s Y coordinate	Y geographic coordinate in Belge Lambert 1972 extracted from the forest inventories database	m	Continuous
X_UTM	Plot’s Y coordinate in WGS84	Own conversion in WGS 1984 (Web Mercator Auxiliary Sphere) using rgdal’s CRS function in R. See <a href="https://epsg.io/31370">https://epsg.io/31370</a> for transformation details (PROJ.4)	Decimal degrees (°)	Continuous
Y_UTM	Plot’s X coordinate	Own conversion in WGS 1984 (Web Mercator Auxiliary Sphere) using rgdal’s CRS function in R. See <a href="https://epsg.io/31370">https://epsg.io/31370</a> for transformation details (PROJ.4)	Decimal degrees (°)	Continuous
Region	Region name	Plot’s region. This dataset does not include the Brussels region.	NA	Categorical (Wallonia/ Flanders)
gha_ALL	Total basal area of <i>all</i> tree species	Total basal area of <i>all</i> tree species measured within the sampling plot	m <sup>2</sup> /ha	Continuous
gha_A	Basal area of <i>alnus</i>	Basal area of <i>alnus</i> tree species measured within the sampling plot	m <sup>2</sup> /ha	Continuous
pGHA_A	Relative basal area of <i>alnus</i>	<i>Alnus</i> ’ percentage of total basal area	%	Continuous (0-100)
gha_B	Basal area of <i>betula</i>	Basal area of <i>betula</i> tree species measured within the sampling plot	m <sup>2</sup> /ha	Continuous
pGHA_B	Relative basal area of <i>betula</i>	<i>Betula</i> ’s percentage of total basal area	%	Continuous (0-100)
gha_C	Basal area of <i>corylus</i>	Basal area of <i>corylus</i> tree species measured within the sampling plot	m <sup>2</sup> /ha	Continuous
pGHA_C	Relative basal area of <i>corylus</i>	<i>Corylus</i> ’ percentage of total basal area	%	Continuous (0-100)
gha_3	Total basal area of 3 <i>selected</i> tree species	Total basal area of 3 selected tree species ( <i>Alnus</i> , <i>Betula</i> , <i>Corylus</i> ) measured within the sampling plot	m <sup>2</sup> /ha	Continuous
pGHA_3	Relative basal area of the 3 <i>selected</i> tree species	3 selected tree species’ percentage of total basal area	%	Continuous (0-100)

Nb: For basal area calculation details in Wallonia and Flanders see p.6 and p.10 respectively. For a discussion on data spatial coverage gaps in Flanders see p.11.

### 3.1.4. *Results*

#### 3.1.4.1. **Tree structure and tree mix**

From the Walloon forest inventory dataset, details about the structure of trees can be provided. The table below shows that *Alnus* are mainly observed in the first level (highest level) of any stand structure (even-aged stand with one layer, even-aged stand with two layers or uneven-aged stand). *Betula* is also mainly observed in the first level (highest level) of any stand structure. Yet, an important number of trees are also observed under the form of coppice. *Corylus* on the opposite is only observed in stand structures with coppice (i.e. coppice stand, coppice with high stand or high stand with coppice).

*Table 9. Number of observations based on the type of tree structure*

	Coppice	High stand forest	
		Level 1	Level 2
<i>Alnus incana</i>	13	21	1
<i>Alnus glutinosa</i>	55	109	4
<i>Betula</i>	370	617	46
<i>Corylus</i>	644	0	0

Tree species combine in various ways within each plot. Within the Walloon forest inventory dataset, we identified seven possibilities depending on how allergenic tree combine. In most cases (82%), plots contain one type of tree only. Almost one fifth (17%) of the plots contain a combination of two species. One percent only contains the three species studied.

*Table 10. Combination of allergenic tree species in sampling plots*

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<i>Alnus</i>	X			X	X		X
<i>Betula</i>		X		X		X	X
<i>Corylus</i>			X		X	X	X
<i>TOTAL</i>	83	682	433	44	28	169	14
<i>%</i>		82%			17%		1%

#### 3.1.4.2. **Presence-absence of allergenic trees**

In Wallonia, most forest areas containing the three allergenic tree species studied (*alnus*, *betula*, *corylus*) are located in the southern part of the region. In particular, 90,9% of the sampling plots containing at least one allergenic tree species are located south of the “sillon Sambre et Meuse” (i.e. the former industrial axis running from the city of Mons to Liège through Charleroi and Namur). The highest densities of allergenic tree species can be observed on the northern border of the Ardenne region along both sides of the Meuse river around the French city of Givet. One of the reason explaining such a concentration is the presence of small parcels containing a mix of tree species.

While the “plateau ardennais central” and the “plateau ardennais du nord-est” concentrate large forest areas, these areas are characterized by a low density of allergenic tree species. This may be related to the following factors: (i) soil types are not the best suited for the development of either *Alnus*, *Betula* or *Corylus*, and (ii) an important number of parcels only contain coniferous trees (e.g. “Haut plateau des Fagnes”, the German border area) where tree mix is less important. Meanwhile, areas containing the lowest density of allergenic trees in Wallonia are the “plateaux limoneux brabançons et hesbignons” where large parcels of agricultural land are dominant, leaving less space for forested areas.

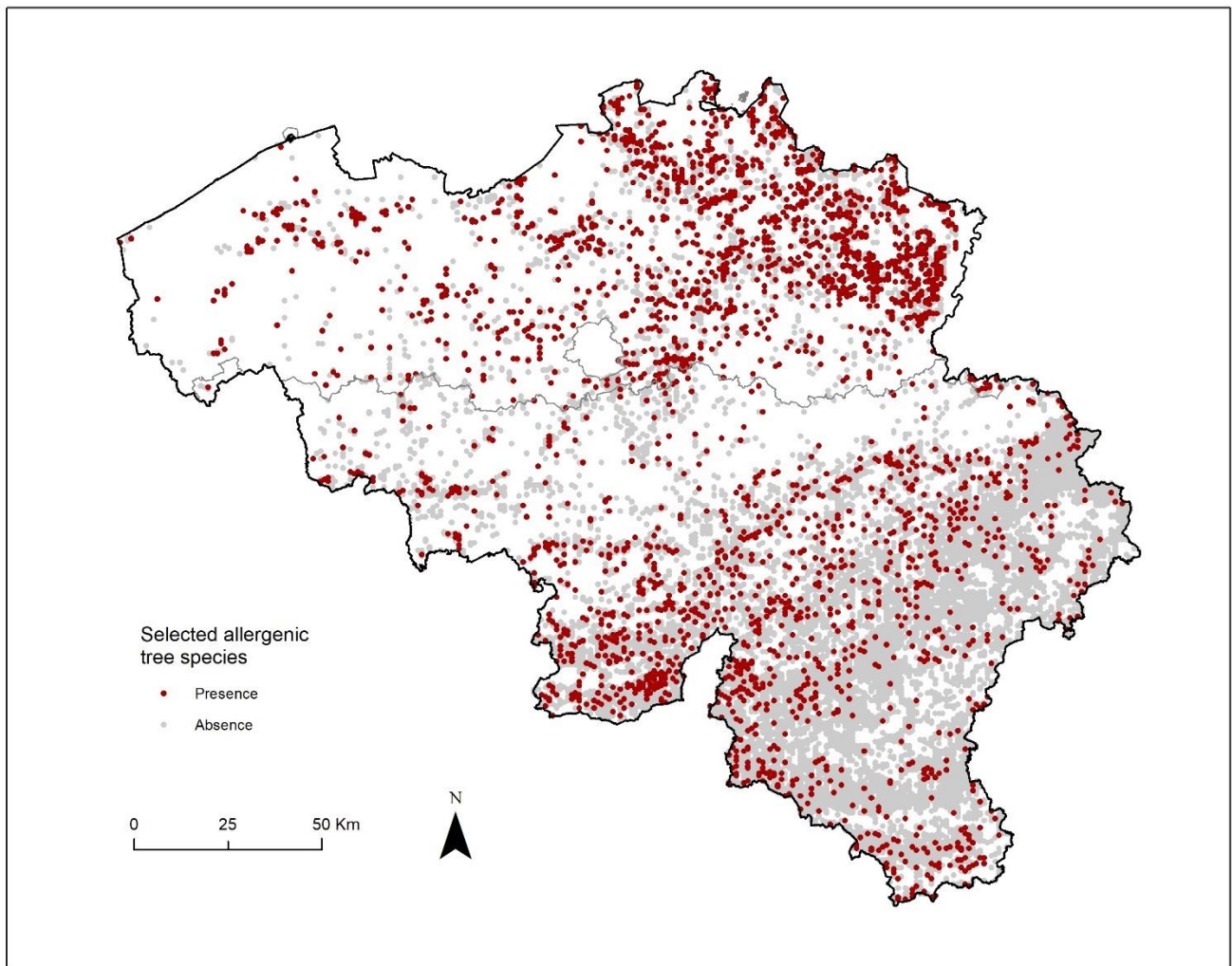


Figure 4. Combined sampling plots from the Walloon and Flemish forest inventories with presence-absence of 3 selected allergenic trees (*alnus*, *betula*, *corylus*)

### 3.1.4.3. Relative share of allergenic trees

The relative share of allergenic trees was calculated as an important indicator for describing the importance and spatial distribution of allergenic trees throughout Belgium. This variable (named “pcgha”) represents the share of allergenic trees within the plot sampled calculated as percentage of the basal area. This percentage was first computed for each tree species individually. Then, all 3 values were summed up to provide an overall percentage.

As the violin plot below shows, *alnus* and *betula* present median values around 20% (red dots). The presence of *corylus* is even lower with median values lower than 5%. Histograms' distributions (grey areas) show that a high proportion of plots contain very low shares of allergenic trees. When considering all tree species together, the average share rises to 15%. Such patterns suggest that allergenic trees species are most often combined with other (non-allergenic) trees species, which may offer a positive effect by capturing the pollens emitted by the neighbour species.

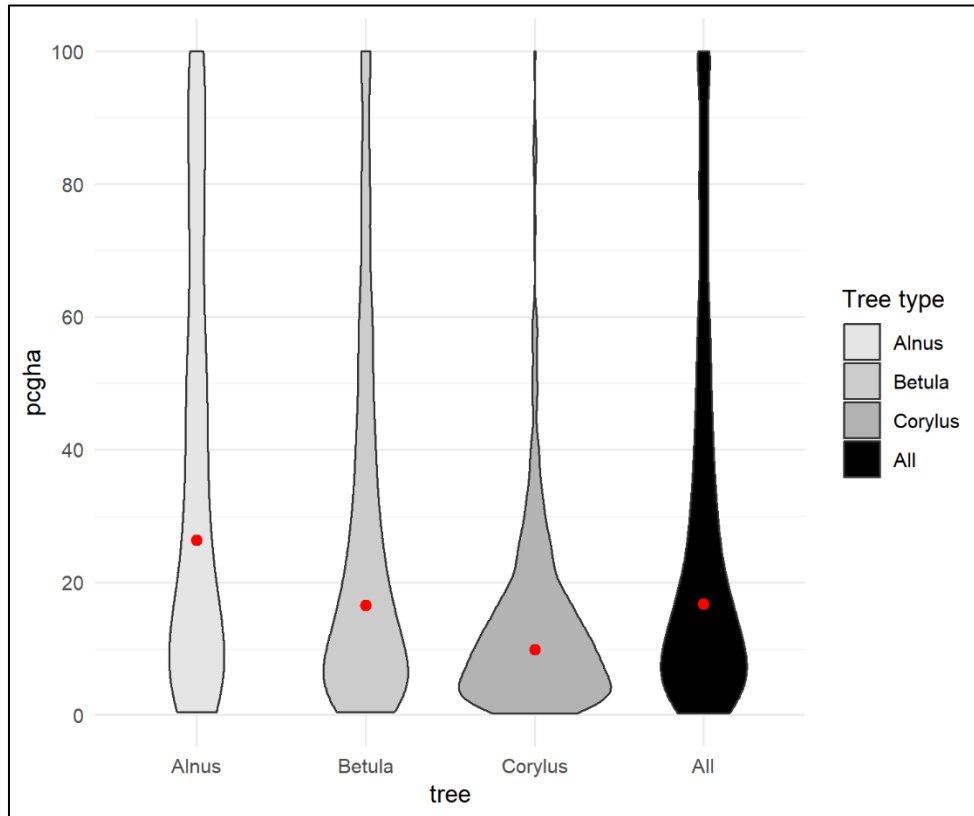


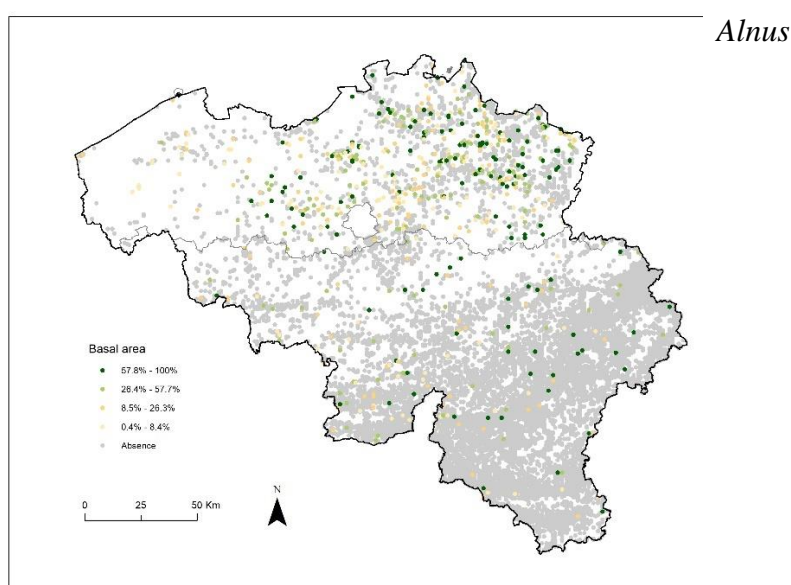
Table 11 below summarises that allergenic trees are present within Belgian forest area in fairly low percentages with average basal areas ranging from 8,7% (*Corylus*) to 35,7% (*Alnus*). In total, 1.934 plots out of the 13.228 plots surveyed in the Flemish and the Walloon forest inventories contain at least one allergenic tree.

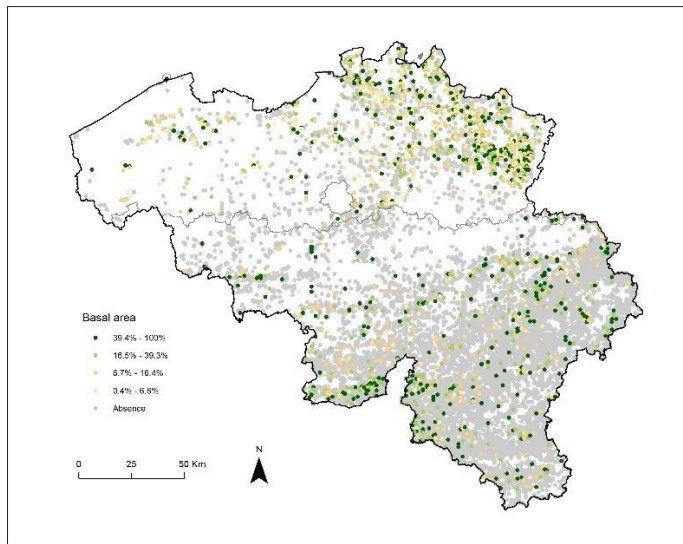
Table 11. Summary statistics

	Sampling plots with/without allergenic trees	Average basal area (%)			
		Alnus	Betula	Corylus	3 selected allergenic trees
Flanders	1.102 / 2.147	33,4	23,1	3,7	27,5
Wallonia	832 / 11.081	41,3	32,3	11,8	29,9
Total	1.934 / 13.228	35,7	27,0	8,7	28,5

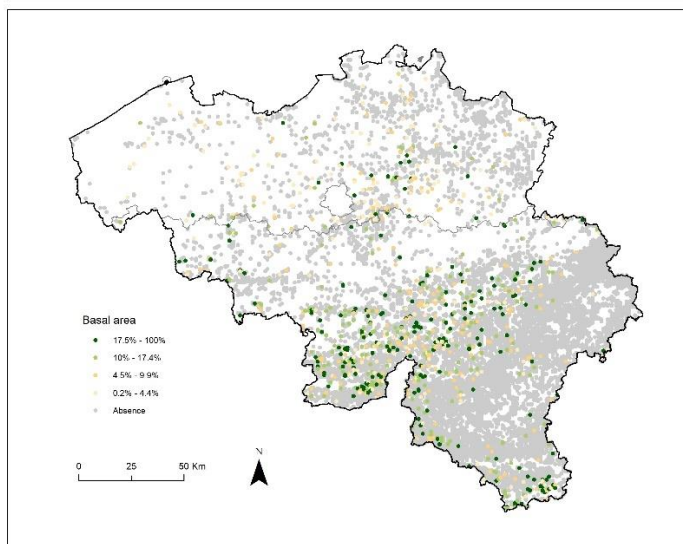
### 3.1.5. Spatial distribution of alnus, betula and corylus

The following maps show the presence and absence of each tree species individually. A four-class categorisation using the quantile method was used to represent differences in the relative presence of the 3 selected allergenic trees. Note that a comparison of categories between species should be avoided as thresholds vary from one specie to another (see values' distribution patterns within the violin plot above). Alnus is the less represented specie throughout the study area. Its spatial distribution presents a scattered pattern with no specific concentration at the regional level. No important densities are found in any of the sub-regions. Betula is more common throughout the country and presents higher densities. At the sub-regional level, it is well represented in the South of the “sillon Sambre et Meuse” and the northeast area of Flanders. The presence of Betula is often associated with major forested areas. The density of corylus is lower than Betula, but higher than Alnus. It is concentrated outside the major forested area. In Wallonia for instance, Betula is located outside the major productive forest areas from the “plateaux ardennais”.





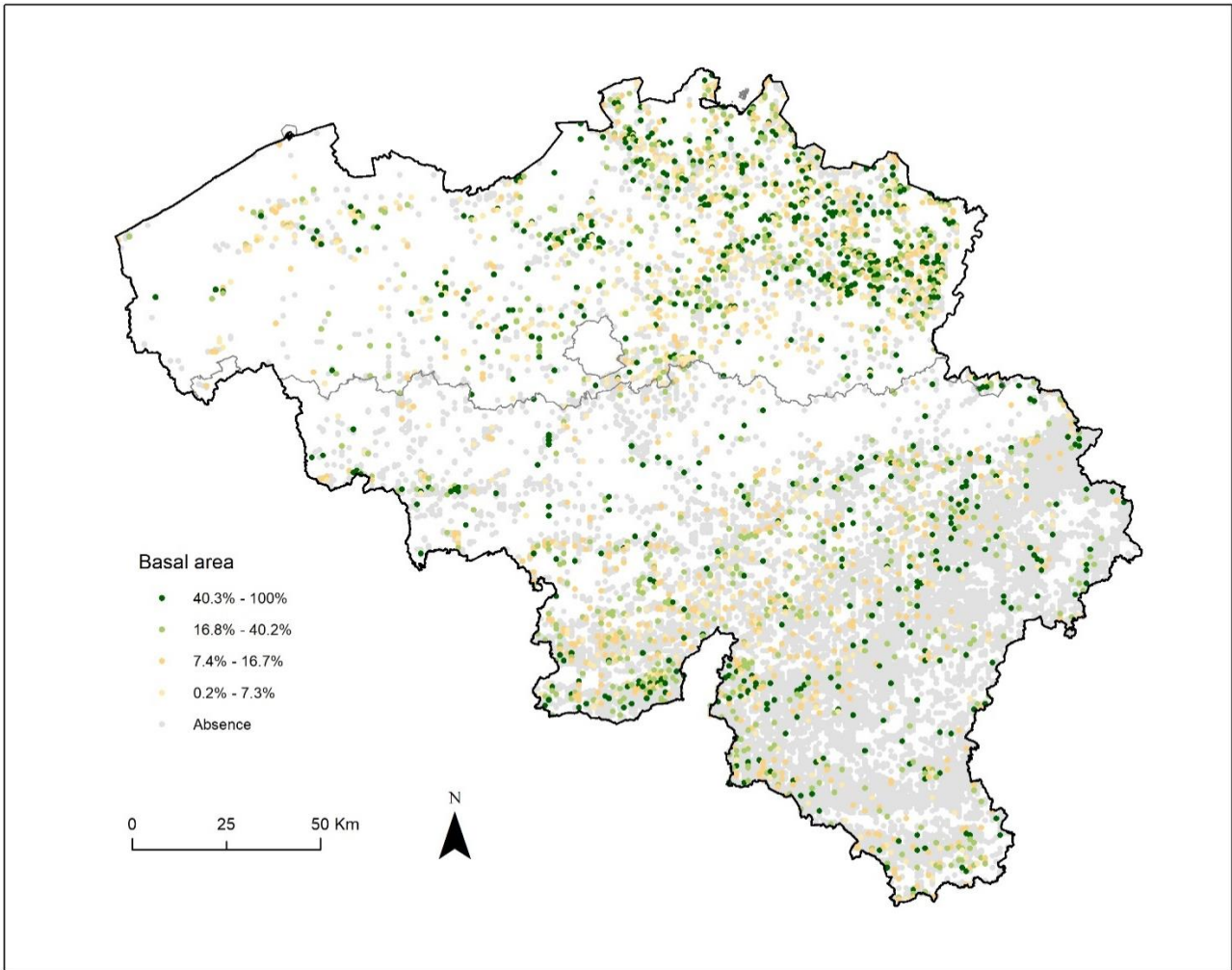
*Betula*



*Corylus*

### 3.1.6. The spatial distribution of 3 selected allergenic tree species in Belgium

The following map pictures the spatial distribution of the percentage of all allergenic trees (variable “pcgha”). No clear pattern emerges as to describe where the highest and lowest percentages are located. The percentage of allergenic trees per plot is heterogeneous throughout the region. This suggests that the relative importance of allergenic trees relies more upon local factors such as soil types for instance.



### 3.2. Non-forest inventory data

Several options were explored for gathering data outside forested areas in this research.

- For the Brussels region, a well detailed vegetation inventory made by Bruxelles Environnement – IBGE exist. A detailed inventory of presence-only tree species within the public domain is freely available upon request by the organisation but could not be processed in the framework of this project.
- Some project-specific initiatives also exist such as those undertaken during the RespiIT project. For instance, the KULeuven team undertook fieldwork using Durham samplers. Around each sampler, they searched for allergenic tree species in a 2 km radius (12,6km<sup>2</sup>). They surveyed 15 points during a search effort of 10 minutes with two people (= 0,33 person-hours). The total basal area and birch basal area were measured.
- The Flemish flora database provides a presence-only dataset available for Flanders at a 4km square resolution. The KUL team implemented a Specie Distribution Model (SMD) using Maxent with this data. The low resolution of this dataset did not allow for considering this source as a possible option for our mapping of allergenic tree species.
- Data recrods from Observations.be / Waarnemingen.be is a crowdousourcing platform where volunteers, researchers, and scientists share their plant and animal sightings.

The latter data source was considered as the best candidate for characterizing the presence-absence of allergenic tree species outside forested areas.

#### 3.2.1. Observations.be / Waarnemingen.be

The non-profit organisation “Observation International” provides a website named Observation.org or with many regional aliases, including observations.be/.waarnemingen.be that can be accesed with client applications such as ObsMapp (Android), iObs (iOS) and WinObs (Windows). Building upon these platforms, volunteers, researchers and scientists can make field observations and report them at any time. The inclusion of such type of data into a global digital system creates a powerful tool for multiple applications, including conservation, research, policy, experience and education. The main objective of International Observation is “the optimum facilitation of observers in order to make their nature experience even more valuable”. Yet, records from such a type of initiatives are opportunistic, less structured and mostly incidental observations. They are often suspected to be information-poor compared to information-rich database from forest inventories (Isaac & Pocock, 2015). However, open citizen data also contain greater number of records gathered (see table 12).



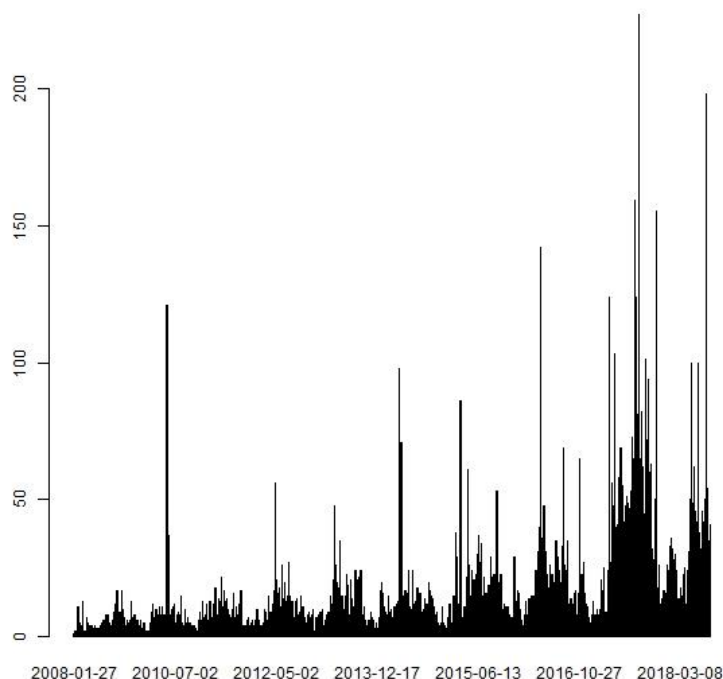
### 3.2.2. *Number of records and frequency*

As shown in table 12 and figure 5 below, an important diversity of tree specie records could be accessed freely for this research via the observations.org platform. A specific selection of the three targeted allergenic tree species for the 2008-2018 period could be implemented by selecting the most relevant species of *Alnus*, *Betula*, and *Corylus*.

*Table 12. List of allergenic tree species*

	Species name (latin)	Count
2	<i>Alnus glutinosa</i>	8.200
3	<i>Alnus incana</i>	1.014
1	<i>Alnus cordata</i> *	187
5	<i>Alnus x pubescens</i> ( <i>A. glutinosa x incana</i> )	7
6	<i>Alnus x spaethii</i> ( <i>A. japonica x subcordata</i> )*	4
4	<i>Alnus spec.</i>	235
8	<i>Betula pendula</i>	7.231
10	<i>Betula pubescens</i>	2.106
7	<i>Betula papyrifera</i> *	2
9	<i>Betula pendula + Betula pubescens</i>	481
12	<i>Betula x aurata</i> ( <i>B. pendula x pubescens</i> )	7
11	<i>Betula spec.</i>	1.838
13	<i>Corylus avellana</i>	9.416
14	<i>Corylus colurna</i> *	31
15	<i>Corylus maxima</i> *	16
16	<i>Corylus spec.</i>	4
	TOTAL	30.820

\* Not considered for analysis



*Figure 5. Frequency of opportunistic observations from the observations.org database for the 2008-2018 period.*

### 3.2.3. *Spatial footprint*

The spatial footprint of opportunistic observations covers the entire country (see Figure 6 below). The location of records extends way beyond forest areas. Many cities and densely populated areas contain an important number of observations from volunteers (see figure 7). Observations in city parks, suburban areas, and large infrastructures were also reported by participants. A small regional effect can be observed around the ‘Pays des collines’ – ‘Vlaamse Ardennen’ border, which may be explained by differences of behaviour between volunteers (differences of interest and/or levels of awareness about the *observations.be* initiative), but this effect disappears in the southern periphery of Brussels where observations are continuous from the center to the periphery of the city. Higher point density areas also include recreational areas (e.g. forested areas around major cities, touristic valleys) and spaces located along transport infrastructures such as walkways and roads.

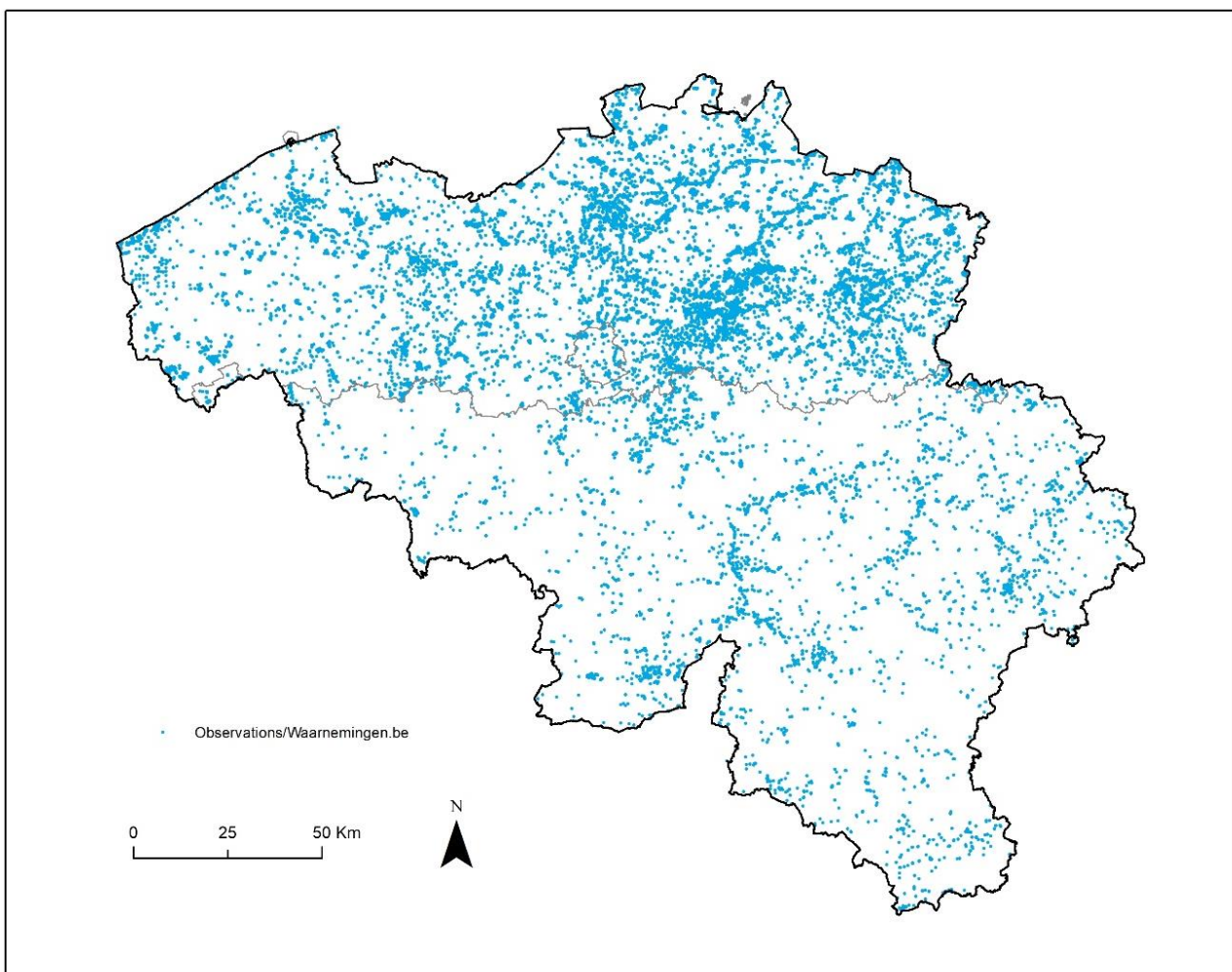


Figure 6. Spatial distribution of presence-only records from the *observations.org* database for the 3 selected allergenic tree species (*Alnus*, *Betula*, *Corylus*)

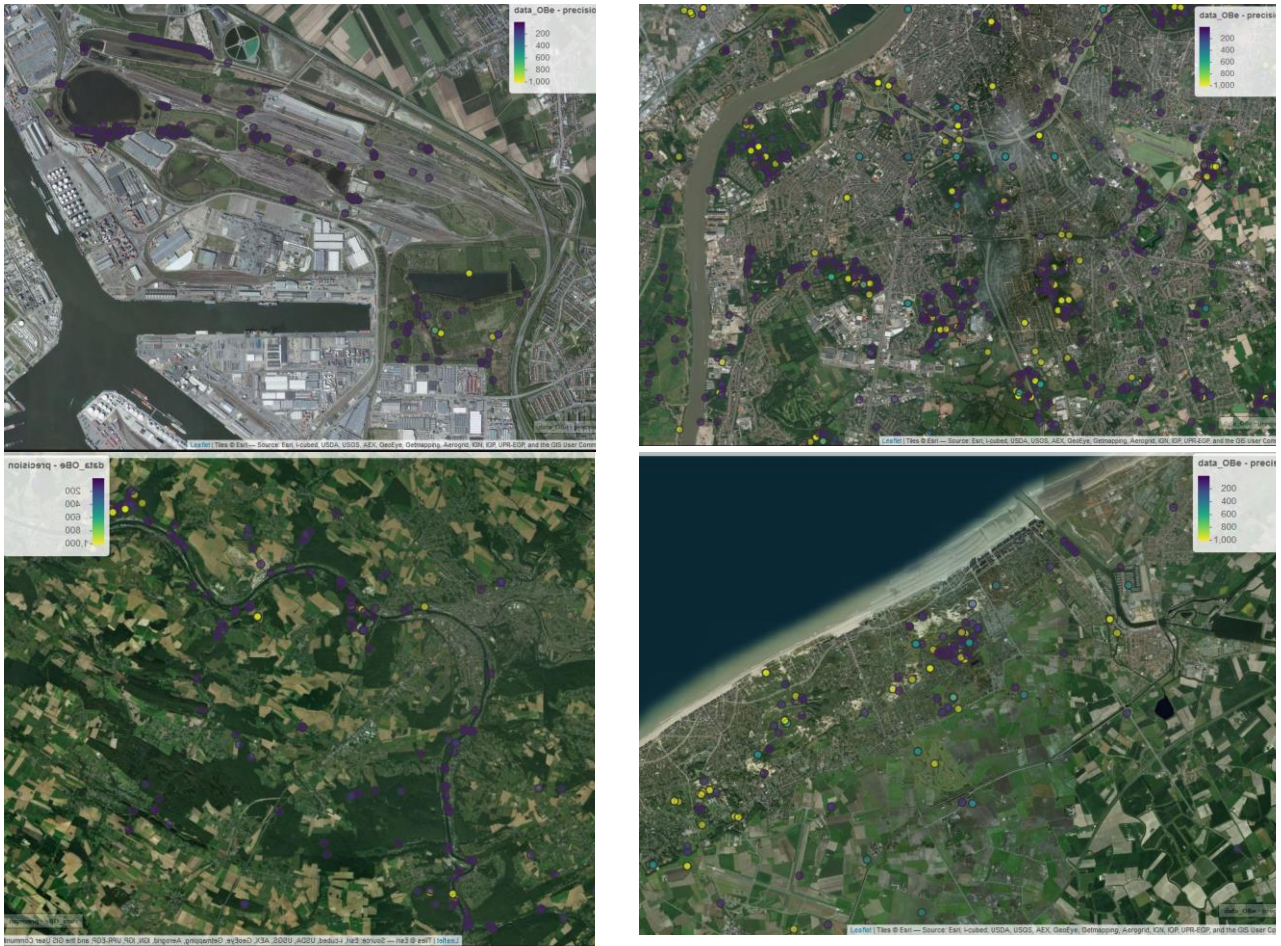


Figure 7. Detailed location of opportunistic observations from the observations.org database in the harbour of Antwerp (upper left), the city outskirts of Antwerp (upper right), the area of Namur city (lower left) and the coastal city of Newport (lower right). Colours show the level of point accuracy (0-1000m).

3.2.4. Complementarity with forest inventories

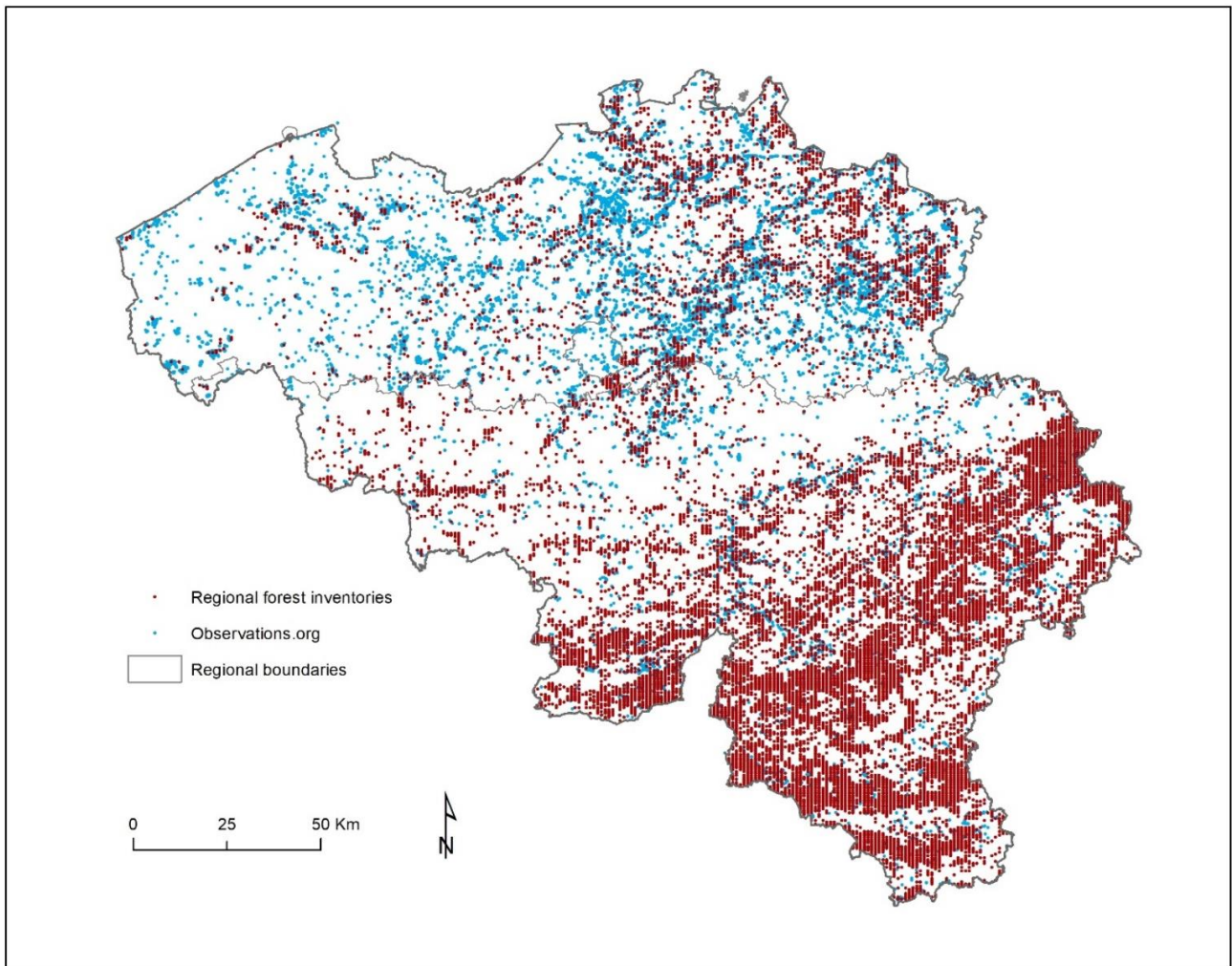


Figure 8. Combined presence-only records from regional forest inventory dataset and observations.org database for the 3 selected allergenic tree species (*alnus*, *betula*, *corylus*)

## 4. Conclusions

Forest inventories provide a detailed account of tree species observed within forest areas. The plots sampled offer a high-resolution, up-to-date description of the selected allergenic tree species (*Alnus*, *Betula*, and *Corylus*) at the scale of a land parcel. This has great potential for ecological modelling because the share of tree species within a tree stand (in percent of the basal area or percent cover) is a key variable for measuring densities of allergenic trees and characterize its relative abundance of within a forested land parcel. Our results showed that allergenic trees are present within forest areas in relatively low percentages: three-fourth of the sampling plots contain less than 45% of allergenic tree species. Most allergenic trees are observed in the north-eastern part of Flanders and the south of the “sillon Sambre and Meuse”. The country’s major productive forests do not concentrate the most important share of allergenic trees. The observation records from open citizen science initiatives such as the *observations.org* platform are opportunistic, less structured and mostly incidental observations. While they are often suspected to be information-poor compared to information-rich database from forest inventories, we showed here that they contain a greater number of records gathered at higher time frequency. The spatial footprint of allergenic tree records is much larger than forest inventories and covers many areas outside forested areas. This complementarily should be considered as an opportunity for building comprehensive database of presence-absence database that can better serve the elaboration of Species Distribution Models (SDMs).

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# 1. Appendix: R scripts

## 1.1. Walloon Forest Inventory (RespirIT\_IFW\_5.R)

```
##### SUMMARY #####
```

```
# PACKAGES
# OVERALL APPROACH
# DATA IMPORT
# DATA PROCESSING
# PLOTTING
# FINAL TABLE
# MAPPING
```

```
##### PACKAGES #####
```

```
library("rJava", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
#library("xlsx", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3") #! If activated > conflict with
XLConnect
library("XLConnect", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("reshape", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("reshape2", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("stringi", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("stringr", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("shapefiles", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("plyr", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("rgdal", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("vioplot", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("ggplot2", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
#install.packages('ggplot2', repos='http://cran.rstudio.com', type='source')
library("shapefiles", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("rgdal", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
```

```
##.rs.restartR()
```

```
## FUNCTIONS ##
```

```
# Multiple plot function
```

```
multiplot <- function(..., plotlist=NULL, file, cols=1, layout=NULL) {
  library(grid)
```

```
  # Make a list from the ... arguments and plotlist
  plots <- c(list(...), plotlist)
```

```
  numPlots = length(plots)
```

```
  # If layout is NULL, then use 'cols' to determine layout
```

```
  if (is.null(layout)) {
```

```
    # Make the panel
```

```
    # ncol: Number of columns of plots
```

```
    # nrow: Number of rows needed, calculated from # of cols
```

```
    layout <- matrix(seq(1, cols * ceiling(numPlots/cols)),
                      ncol = cols, nrow = ceiling(numPlots/cols))
  }
```

```
  if (numPlots==1) {
    print(plots[[1]])
```

```
  } else {
```

```
    # Set up the page
```

```
    grid.newpage()
```

```
    pushViewport(viewport(layout = grid.layout(nrow(layout), ncol(layout))))
```

```
    # Make each plot, in the correct location
```

```
    for (i in 1:numPlots) {
```

```
      # Get the i,j matrix positions of the regions that contain this subplot
      matchidx <- as.data.frame(which(layout == i, arr.ind = TRUE))
```

```
      print(plots[[i]], vp = viewport(layout.pos.row = matchidx$row,
                                       layout.pos.col = matchidx$col))
    }
```

```
##### OVERALL APPROACH #####
```

```
# Work on plots ("placettes" in french).
```

```
# Work on species ("essences" in french).
```

```
# Variables creation (1 by 1)
```

```
# Operations (splitting, merging, aggregating, etc.)
```

```
# Recompile for export into shapefiles
```

```
# Data IMPORT (data_sp, data_pl)
```

```
# DATA PROCESSING:
```

```
# Plots containing measured trees (A)
```

```
# Plots containing 1 non-measured tree or more (B)
```

```
# (a) Approach per class
```

```
# (b) Approach by linear regression model
```

```
# Merging both datasets (A & B)
```

```
# Plots containing only 1 tree (C1)
```

```
# Plots containing more than one tree (C2)
```

```
# C1_a Plots with only one "Aulne" (or none)
```

```
# C1_b Plots with more than one "Aulne"
```

```
# Re-building "data_spW_C2" (C2_a & C2_b)
```

```
# Aggregation over fut & tai for measured trees with more than 1 tree per plot (C2)
```

```
# Re-building "data_spW_C2"
```

```
# Re-building "data_spW_C1"
```

```
# Re-building "data_spW_C"
```

```
# Calculating overall GHA values
```

```
# a) Alnus, Betula, Corylus
```

```
# b) All 3
```

```
# PLOTTING
```

```
# MAPPING
```

```
##### DATA IMPORT #####

setwd("C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401 RespirIT")

# Sheet "Placettes"
# Describes the characteristics of each plot
# Tells us about where plots are located and what kind of general species are
found (structure, peuplement).

temp<-loadWorkbook("C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/2_DATA/Inventaire forestier Wallon/20160902
IFW/Req_dujardin_010916_VF.xlsx")
data_plW<-readWorksheet(temp, sheet = "Placettes", startRow = 16)

# 1) ID_Pl
# Creation of a unique identifier for each plot

data_plW$ID_pl <- paste(data_plW[, "ign"], data_plW[, "npl"], sep="")

data_plW$ID <- 1:nrow(data_plW) # Unique ID

#colnames(data_plW)

#data <- c(ID_plW)
#data <- data.frame(c(1:nrow(data_plW)))
#colnames(data) <- c("ID_pl")

data_plW$ID_X <- 0
data_plW$ID_Y <- 0

# 2) XY coordinates
# To identify the location of each plot,
# if there are GPS coordinates (x_gps/y_gps variable), then keep the GPS
coordinates.
# If it is not available (NA), then use the "IGN grid coordinates" (x/y ]]
variable).

#ID_X
for(i in 1:nrow(data_plW)) {
  if( !is.na(data_plW[i, "x_gps"])) {
    data_plW[i, "ID_X"] <- data_plW[i, "x_gps"]
  }
  else {data_plW[i, "ID_X"] <- data_plW[i, "x"]
}
}
data_plW$ID_X

# ID Y
#data$ID_Y <- 0
for(i in 1:nrow(data_plW)) {
  if( !is.na(data_plW[i, "y_gps"])) {
    data_plW[i, "ID_Y"] <- data_plW[i, "y_gps"]
  }
  else {data plW[i, "ID Y"] <- data plW[i, "y"]
}
}
}

data plW<- data plW[, c(
  "ID",
  "ID_pl", # Reorganizes "ID_pl" as first column
  "ign",
  "npl",
  "cy",
  "tranche",
  "dg_datem",
  "ID_X", # move here
  "ID_Y", # move here
  "x",
  "y",
  "x_gps",
  "y_gps",
  "dg_prov",
  "province",
  "dg_rfor_2",
  "region",
  "dg_n2000",
  "stru_pl",
  "structure",
  "peup_pl",
  "peuplement",
  "NHaf",
  "GHaf",
  "VHaf",
  "NHAt",
  "GHAt",
  "VHAt",
  "LIS",
  "lisiere",
  "PHY_OBS1",
  "PHY_OBS2"

### Sheet "Essences" (tree species)
# Details de different types of tree species found wihtin each plot
# Aulne = Alnus
# Bouleau = Betula
# Noisetier = Corylus

temp<-loadWorkbook("C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/2_DATA/Inventaire forestier Wallon/20160902
IFW/Req_dujardin_010916_VF.xlsx")
data_spW <-readWorksheet(temp, sheet = "Essences", startRow = 9)

data_spW$ID_pl <- paste(data_spW[, "ign"], data_spW[, "npl"], sep="")
data_spW$count <- 1 # For SUMs when using the melt/cast function
data_spW$ID <- 1:nrow(data_spW) # Unique ID

#test <- data_spW[(is.na(data_spW$pcgha)),] # One entry has no gha and no pcgha
> useless > to be removed:
data_spW <- data_spW[(!is.na(data_spW$pcgha)),]
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## Reorganise

data_spW <- data_spW[, c(
  "ID",
  "ID_pl", # move here
  "ign",
  "npl",
  "cy",
  "source",
  "etg_f",
  "ess",
  "essence",
  "pcgha",
  "nha",
  "gha",
  "vha",
  "count"
  # "ess_mix",
  # "alnus_aggr"
) ]

var_data_spW <- c(
  "ID",
  "ID_pl", # move here
  "ign",
  "npl",
  "cy",
  "source",
  "etg_f",
  "ess",
  "essence",
  "pcgha",
  "nha",
  "gha",
  "vha",
  "count"
  # "ess_mix",
  # "alnus_aggr"
)

##### DATA PROCESSING #####

## Tree structure (Table)
temp_melt <- melt(data_spW, id = c("ID_pl", "ign", "npl", "cy", "source",
"etg_f", "essence"))
table_spW_tree_str <- cast(temp_melt, essence ~ source + etg_f,
subset=variable=="count", sum)
table_spW_tree_str
table_spW_tree_str[,c("essence","tai_NA","fut_1","fut_2")]
table_spW_tree_str

#Control check:

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temp <- data_spW[data_spW$essence== "Aulne blanc" & data_spW$source== "fut",
]
temp <- data_spW[data_spW$essence== "Bouleau" & data_spW$source== "tai", ]

## Tree count
# How many different type of allergenic tree specie are recorded per plot?
# > Count the number of duplicate "ID_pl" in "data_spW"
temp <- cast(temp_melt, ID_pl ~ variable, sum) # Aggregation per plot >
Identification of duplicates
table(temp$count)
316+48+5 # Total number of plot with more than one type of allergenic tree
369/1453*100 # relative share (one fourth)
# Adding this variable the the dataset "data_spW"
data_spW$dupl <- 0
data_spW$dupl <- temp$count[match(data_spW$ID_pl, temp$ID_pl)]
# When only one tree type > no aggregation needed. Measures can be taken as it
is
# When more than one > Need for aggregating measures depending on:
# Alnus vs Betula vs Corylus
# tai vs fut 1 vs fut 2

## Assign a number from 1 to 11 identifying the pcgha class
# NB: This variable is not necessary when using a "regression model approach"
# See work on dataframe "data_spW" below

temp <- data_spW
temp$pcgha_class <- 999
for(i in 1:nrow(temp)) {
  if (temp[i,"pcgha"] > 0.99999) {
    temp[i,"pcgha_class"] <- 11 # when pcgha = 1 (the specie is dominant)
  }
  else if (temp[i,"pcgha"] <= 0.9999999 & temp[i,"pcgha"] >= 0.9000000) {
    temp[i,"pcgha_class"] <- 10
  }
  else if (temp[i,"pcgha"] <= 0.8999999 & temp[i,"pcgha"] >= 0.8000000) {
    temp[i,"pcgha_class"] <- 9
  }
  else if (temp[i,"pcgha"] <= 0.7999999 & temp[i,"pcgha"] >= 0.7000000) {
    temp[i,"pcgha_class"] <- 8
  }
  else if (temp[i,"pcgha"] <= 0.6999999 & temp[i,"pcgha"] >= 0.6000000) {
    temp[i,"pcgha_class"] <- 7
  }
  else if (temp[i,"pcgha"] <= 0.5999999 & temp[i,"pcgha"] >= 0.5000000) {
    temp[i,"pcgha_class"] <- 6
  }
  else if (temp[i,"pcgha"] <= 0.4999999 & temp[i,"pcgha"] >= 0.4000000) {
    temp[i,"pcgha_class"] <- 5
  }
  else if (temp[i,"pcgha"] <= 0.3999999 & temp[i,"pcgha"] >= 0.3000000) {
    temp[i,"pcgha_class"] <- 4
  }
  else if (temp[i,"pcgha"] <= 0.2999999 & temp[i,"pcgha"] >= 0.2000000) {
    temp[i,"pcgha_class"] <- 3
  }
}

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else if (temp[i,"pcgha"] <= 0.19999999 & temp[i,"pcgha"] >= 0.10000000 ){
  temp[i,"pcgha_class"] <- 2
}
else if (temp[i,"pcgha"] <= 0.99999999 & temp[i,"pcgha"] >= 0.00000001 ){
  temp[i,"pcgha_class"] <- 1
}
else {
}
}
#table(temp$pcgha_class)
data_spW <- temp

## Identifying whether plots contain measured trees or not

# Loop over groups
temp <- data_spW
for(grp in unique(temp$ID_pl)) { # Group by 'ID_pl'
  if(any(is.na(temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'gha']))) { # If a plot contains a 'gha'
with no value (NA)
    temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'measured'] <- 0 # Then assign 0
  }
  else {temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'measured'] <- 1 # Otherwise assign 1
  }
}
data_spW <- temp

## Plots containing measured trees (A)

data_spW_A <- data_spW[data_spW$measured==1,]
nrow(data_spW_A)
#any(is.na(data_spW_A$gha)) # Control to see if no NA values remains
#table(is.na(data_spW_A$pcgha))

## Plots containing 1 non-measured tree or more (B)

data_spW_B <- data_spW[data_spW$measured==0,]
nrow(data_spW_B)
#count(is.na(data_spW_B$gha)) # 690/820 trees not measured
690/1879*100
## Processing plots containing 1 non-measured trees or more (B)

# Idea of assigning an average 'gha' for non-measured trees
# Search for all measured trees within the dataset and determine what is the
average 'gha' value
# !Make a difference between 'tai" and 'fut" 1 et 2
# !Make a difference between tree species (Alnus,Betula,Corylus)
# !Make a difference between pcgha categories (0.1, 0.2, etc.)
# (!Process observations with pcgha = 1 separately)

# (a) Approach per class
# Computing mean values per structure (tai/fut), species (Alnus, Betula,
Corylus), and pcgha class (1-10)

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temp <- data_spW[!is.na(data_spW$gha) & !is.na(data_spW$pcgha) ,] # Select
observations where gha (& pcgha) is known
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temp$count <- 1
temp[, "essence"] <- gsub("Aulne glutineux", "Aulne", temp[, "essence"])
temp[, "essence"] <- gsub("Aulne blanc", "Aulne", temp[, "essence"])

temp_melt <- melt(temp, id = c("ID_pl", "ign", "npl", "cy", "source", "etg_f",
"essence", "pcgha_class"))

#Tai

#a. Count
temp_aggr <- cast(temp_melt, essence+pcgha_class ~ variable, sum, subset =
source=="tai")
count_alnus <- temp_aggr[temp_aggr$essence=="Aulne",9] # Count
count_alnus <- append(count_alnus, mean(count_alnus),5) # ! Alnus, cat. 6 = NA
> Assign an average value
count_betula <- temp_aggr[temp_aggr$essence=="Bouleau",9]
count_corylus <- temp_aggr[temp_aggr$essence=="Noisetier",9]
means_count <- data.frame(count_alnus,count_betula, count_corylus)
#b. Mean
temp_aggr <- cast(temp_melt, essence+pcgha_class ~ variable, mean, subset =
source=="tai")
mean_alnus <- temp_aggr[temp_aggr$essence=="Aulne",7] # Mean gha
mean_alnus <- append(mean_alnus, mean(mean_alnus),5) # ! Alnus, cat. 6 = NA >
Assign an average value value
mean_betula <- temp_aggr[temp_aggr$essence=="Bouleau",7]
mean_corylus <- temp_aggr[temp_aggr$essence=="Noisetier",7]
means_tai <- data.frame(mean_alnus,mean_betula, mean_corylus)

plot(means_tai$mean_alnus)
plot(means_tai$mean_betula)
plot(means_tai$mean_corylus)
# No obvious/strong linear correlation
# some means are based upon a single observation...
# ! One pcgha category contains no observation (Alnus/6)

#c. Min
#temp_aggr <- cast(temp_melt, essence+pcgha_class ~ variable, c(sum, mean, min,
max), subset = source=="tai")

#Fut

#a. Count
temp_aggr <- cast(temp_melt, essence+pcgha_class ~ variable, sum, subset =
source=="fut")
count_alnus <- temp_aggr[temp_aggr$essence=="Aulne",9] # Count
count_betula <- temp_aggr[temp_aggr$essence=="Bouleau",9]
#temp_corylus <- temp_aggr[temp_aggr$essence=="Noisetier",9] # Not applicable
(corylus does not observed under the form of a tree stand)
means_count <- data.frame(count_alnus,count_betula)
#b. Mean
temp_aggr <- cast(temp_melt, essence+pcgha_class ~ variable, mean, subset =
source=="fut")

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mean_alnus <- temp_aggr[temp_aggr$essence=="Aulne",7] # Mean gha
mean_betula <- temp_aggr[temp_aggr$essence=="Bouleau",7]
#temp_corylus <- temp_aggr[temp_aggr$essence=="Noisetier",7] # Not applicable
(corylus does was not observed under the form of a tree stand)
means_fut <- data.frame(mean_alnus,mean_betula)

plot(means_fut$mean_alnus)
plot(means_fut$mean_betula)
#plot(means_fut$mean_corylus)

#c. Min
#temp_aggr <- cast(temp_melt, essence+pcgcha_class ~ variable, c(sum, mean, min,
max), subset = source=="tai")

## Assigning 'means' to missing values

temp <- data_spW__B
table(temp$pcgcha_class)

#Tai
j <- 1
while(j <= nrow(means_tai)){
  for(i in 1:nrow(temp)) {
    if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"] == rownames(means_tai[j,]) &
        is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) & temp[i,"source"]=="tai" &
        temp[i,"essence"]=="Aulne blanc"){
      temp[i,"gha"] <- means_tai[j,"mean_alnus"]
    }
    else if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"] == rownames(means_tai[j,]) &
             is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) & temp[i,"source"]=="tai" &
             temp[i,"essence"]=="Aulne glutineux"){
      temp[i,"gha"] <- means_tai[j,"mean_alnus"]
    }
    else if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"] == rownames(means_tai[j,]) &
             is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) & temp[i,"source"]=="tai"
             & temp[i,"essence"]=="Bouleau"){
      temp[i,"gha"] <- means_tai[j,"mean_betula"]
    }
    else if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"] == rownames(means_tai[j,]) &
             is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) & temp[i,"source"]=="tai"
             & temp[i,"essence"]=="Noisetier"){
      temp[i,"gha"] <- means_tai[j,"mean_corylus"]
    }
    else {
    }
  }
  j <- j+1
}

#Fut
j <- 1
while(j <= nrow(means_fut)){
  for(i in 1:nrow(temp)) {
    if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"] == rownames(means_fut[j,]) &
        is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) & temp[i,"source"]=="fut" &
        temp[i,"essence"]=="Aulne blanc" ){
      temp[i,"gha"] <- means_fut[j,"mean_alnus"]
    }
    else if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"] == rownames(means_fut[j,]) &
             is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) & temp[i,"source"]=="fut" &
             temp[i,"essence"]=="Bouleau" ){
      temp[i,"gha"] <- means_fut[j,"mean_betula"]
    }
    else {
    }
  }
  j <- j+1
}

data_spW__B <- temp

# (b) Approach by linear regression model
# Idea of establishing a statistical relationship between pcgcha and gha values
based on measured observations
# Building a linear regression model per structure (tai/fut) and species (Alnus,
Betula, Corylus) allows predicting gha for non measured observations
# !Need to distinguish observations with pcgcha = 1 (the specie is dominant) and
where pcgcha < 1

# b1 (pcgcha < 1): Predicted value provided by the linear regression model
# b2 (pcgcha < 1): Average value

temp <- data_spW[!is.na(data_spW$gha) & !is.na(data_spW$pcgcha) ,] # Select
observations where gha (& pcgcha) is known
temp[,"essence"] <- gsub("Aulne glutineux", "Aulne", temp[,"essence"]) # All
types of alnus are considered the same
temp[,"essence"] <- gsub("Aulne blanc", "Aulne", temp[,"essence"]) # All types
of alnus are considered the same
temp <- temp[temp$pcgcha_class!=1,] # selecting where pcgcha < 1
#temp2 <- temp[temp$pcgcha_class==1,] # selecting where pcgcha = 1

#Tai

tai_alnus <- temp[temp$source=="tai"& temp$essence=="Aulne", ]
pcgcha <- tai_alnus$pcgcha
gha <- tai_alnus$gha
plot(pcgcha, gha, main="Scatterplot",
      xlab="pcgcha ", ylab="gha ", pch=19)
cor(gha,pcgcha)
#cov(gha,pcgcha)
model_tai_alnus <- lm(gha~0+pcgcha) # Regression through the origin (i.e.
intercept=0)
model_tai_alnus
summary(model_tai_alnus) # R² = 0,632
abline(model_tai_alnus)
# >The regression equation is gha = 25,48 * pcgcha
# Plotting

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df <- data.frame(pcgha,gha)
plot tai alnus <- ggplot(df, aes(x=pcgha, y=gha)) +
  geom_point(shape=19) + # Use plain circles
  geom_smooth(method=lm) +
  ggtitle("A") +
  theme_minimal()
plot_tai_alnus

tai_betula <- temp[temp$source=="tai"& temp$essence=="Bouleau", ]
pcgha <- tai_betula$pcgha
gha <- tai_betula$gha
plot(pcgha, gha, main="Scatterplot",
     xlab="pcgha ", ylab="gha ", pch=19)
cor(gha,pcgha)
#cov(gha,pcgha)
model_tai_betula <- lm(gha~0+pcgha)
model_tai_betula
summary(model_tai_betula) # R2 = 0,622
abline(model_tai_betula)
# Plotting
df <- data.frame(pcgha,gha)
plot_tai_betula <- ggplot(df, aes(x=pcgha, y=gha)) +
  geom_point(shape=19) + # Use plain circles
  geom_smooth(method=lm) +
  ggtitle("B") +
  theme_minimal()
plot_tai_betula

tai_corylus <- temp[temp$source=="tai"& temp$essence=="Noisetier", ]
pcgha <- tai_corylus$pcgha
gha <- tai_corylus$gha
plot(pcgha, gha, main="Scatterplot",
     xlab="pcgha ", ylab="gha ", pch=19)
cor(gha,pcgha)
#cov(gha,pcgha)
model_tai_corylus <- lm(gha~0+pcgha)
model_tai_corylus
summary(model_tai_corylus) # R2 = 0,513
abline(model_tai_corylus)
# Plotting
df <- data.frame(pcgha,gha)
plot_tai_corylus <- ggplot(df, aes(x=pcgha, y=gha)) +
  geom_point(shape=19) + # Use plain circles
  geom_smooth(method=lm) +
  ggtitle("C") +
  theme_minimal()
plot_tai_corylus

#Fut

fut_alnus <- temp[temp$source=="fut"& temp$essence=="Aulne", ]
pcgha <- fut_alnus$pcgha
gha <- fut_alnus$gha
plot(pcgha, gha, main="Scatterplot",
     xlab="pcgha ", ylab="gha ", pch=19)
cor(gha,pcgha)

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#cov(gha,pcgha)
model fut alnus <- lm(gha~0+pcgha)
model_fut_alnus
summary(model_fut_alnus) # R2 = 0,842
abline(model_fut_alnus)
# Plotting
df <- data.frame(pcgha,gha)
plot fut alnus <- ggplot(df, aes(x=pcgha, y=gha)) +
  geom_point(shape=19) + # Use plain circles
  geom_smooth(method=lm) +
  ggtitle("D") +
  theme_minimal()
plot_fut_alnus

fut_betula <- temp[temp$source=="fut"& temp$essence=="Bouleau", ]
pcgha <- fut_betula$pcgha
gha <- fut_betula$gha
plot_fut_betula <- plot(pcgha, gha, main="Scatterplot",
                       xlab="pcgha ", ylab="gha ", pch=19)
cor(gha,pcgha)
#cov(gha,pcgha)
model_fut_betula <- lm(gha~0+pcgha)
model_fut_betula
summary(model_fut_betula) # R2 = 0,811
abline(model_fut_betula)
# Plotting
df <- data.frame(pcgha,gha)
plot_fut_betula <- ggplot(df, aes(x=pcgha, y=gha)) +
  geom_point(shape=19) + # Use plain circles
  geom_smooth(method=lm) +
  ggtitle("E") +
  #theme(panel.background = element_blank())
  #theme(plot.title = element_text(lineheight=.4, face="bold")) +
  theme_minimal()
plot_fut_betula

#predict(model, newdata=data.frame(pcgha=0.5))
#new <- data.frame(pcgha = c(0.1,0.5,0.9))
#predict(model, newdata=new)

# Plotting
mygraph <- multiplot(plot_tai_alnus,
                    plot_tai_betula,
                    plot_tai_corylus,
                    plot_fut_alnus,
                    plot_fut_betula, cols=2)

#print(mygraph)
tiff(filename = "C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestierWallon/IFW_R_Outputs/multip
lot_tai-fut_Alnus-Betula-Corylus.tiff", width = 500, height = 500, units = "px",
pointsize = 12, bg = "white", res = NA, restoreConsole = TRUE)
multiplot(plot_tai_alnus,
          plot_tai_betula,
          plot_tai_corylus,
          plot_fut_alnus,
          plot_fut_betula, cols=2)

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dev.off()

## Assigning 'means' to missing values in "data_spW__B"
temp <- data_spW__B

# b1 (pcgcha < 1): Predicted value provided by the linear regression model
#Tai
for(i in 1:nrow(temp)) {
  if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"]!=11 &
      is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) &
      temp[i,"source"]=="tai" &
      temp[i,"essence"]=="Aulne blanc"){
    temp[i,"gha"] <- predict(model_tai_alnus,
newdata=data.frame(pcgcha=temp[i,"pcgcha"]))
  }
  else if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"]!=11 &
           is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) &
           temp[i,"source"]=="tai" &
           temp[i,"essence"]=="Aulne glutineux"){
    temp[i,"gha"] <- predict(model_tai_alnus,
newdata=data.frame(pcgcha=temp[i,"pcgcha"]))
  }
  else if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"]!=11 &
           is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) &
           temp[i,"source"]=="tai" &
           temp[i,"essence"]=="Bouleau"){
    temp[i,"gha"] <- predict(model_tai_betula,
newdata=data.frame(pcgcha=temp[i,"pcgcha"]))
  }
  else if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"]!=11 &
           is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) &
           temp[i,"source"]=="tai" &
           temp[i,"essence"]=="Noisetier"){
    temp[i,"gha"] <- predict(model_tai_corylus,
newdata=data.frame(pcgcha=temp[i,"pcgcha"]))
  }
  else {
  }
}

#Fut
for(i in 1:nrow(temp)) {
  if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"]!=11 &
      is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) &
      temp[i,"source"]=="fut" &
      temp[i,"essence"]=="Aulne blanc" ){
    temp[i,"gha"] <- predict(model_fut_alnus,
newdata=data.frame(pcgcha=temp[i,"pcgcha"]))
  }
  else if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"]!=11 &
           is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) &
           temp[i,"source"]=="fut" &
           temp[i,"essence"]=="Bouleau" ){
    temp[i,"gha"] <- predict(model_fut_betula,
newdata=data.frame(pcgcha=temp[i,"pcgcha"]))
  }
  else {
  }
}

# b2 (pcgcha = 1): Average value
#Tai
for(i in 1:nrow(temp)) {
  if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"]==11 &
      is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) &
      temp[i,"source"]=="tai" &
      temp[i,"essence"]=="Aulne blanc"){
    temp[i,"gha"] <- means_tai[11,"mean_alnus"]
  }
  else if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"]==11 &
           is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) &
           temp[i,"source"]=="tai" &
           temp[i,"essence"]=="Aulne glutineux"){
    temp[i,"gha"] <- means_tai[11,"mean_alnus"]
  }
  else if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"]==11 &
           is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) &
           temp[i,"source"]=="tai" &
           temp[i,"essence"]=="Bouleau"){
    temp[i,"gha"] <- means_tai[11,"mean_betula"]
  }
  else if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"]==11 &
           is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) &
           temp[i,"source"]=="tai" &
           temp[i,"essence"]=="Noisetier"){
    temp[i,"gha"] <- means_tai[11,"mean_corylus"]
  }
  else {
  }
}

#Fut
for(i in 1:nrow(temp)) {
  if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"]==11 &
      is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) &
      temp[i,"source"]=="fut" &
      temp[i,"essence"]=="Aulne glutineux"){
    temp[i,"gha"] <- means_fut[11,"mean_alnus"]
  }
  else if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"]==11 &
           is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) &
           temp[i,"source"]=="fut" &
           temp[i,"essence"]=="Bouleau"){
    temp[i,"gha"] <- means_fut[11,"mean_betula"]
  }
  else if (temp[i,"pcgcha_class"]==11 &
           is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) &
           temp[i,"source"]=="fut" &
           temp[i,"essence"]=="Noisetier"){
    temp[i,"gha"] <- means_fut[11,"mean_corylus"]
  }
  else {
  }
}

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temp[i,"source"]=="fut" &
temp[i,"essence"]=="Aulne blanc" ){
temp[i,"gha"] <- means_fut[11,"mean_alnus"]
}
else if (temp[i,"pcgha_class"]==11 &
is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) &
temp[i,"source"]=="fut" &
temp[i,"essence"]=="Aulne glutineux"){
temp[i,"gha"] <- means_fut[11,"mean_alnus"]
}
else if (temp[i,"pcgha_class"]==11 &
is.na(temp[i,"gha"]) &
temp[i,"source"]=="fut" &
temp[i,"essence"]=="Bouleau" ){
temp[i,"gha"] <- means_fut[11,"mean_betula"]
}
else {
}
}

data_spW__B <- temp
plot(data_spW__B$pcgha, data_spW__B$gha, main="Scatterplot",
xlab="pcgha ", ylab="gha ", pch=19)
abline(lm(data_spW__B$gha~data_spW__B$pcgha), col="red") # regression line
(y~x)

# NB: The same should be done for 'nha' and 'vha' values...

# Once missing values are assigned, the aggregation procedure can be implemented
over A & B

## Merging both datasets (A & B)

data_spW__C <- rbind(data_spW__A, data_spW__B)

## Processing plots containing only 1 tree (C1)

data_spW__C1 <- data_spW__A[data_spW__A$dupl==1,]

# Replacement of "Aulne blanc" & "Aulne glutineux" by "Aulne"
data_spW__C1[,"essence"] <- gsub("Aulne glutineux", "Aulne", data_spW__C1[,"essence"])
data_spW__C1[,"essence"] <- gsub("Aulne blanc", "Aulne", data_spW__C1[,"essence"])
# tag here when chnage was made under the name of aulne_dupl?

# No aggregation needed over tai
# No aggregation needed over fut

## Processing plots containing more than one tree (C2)

data_spW__C2 <- data_spW__A[data_spW__A$dupl>1,]

# Aggregation needed over:
# a) essence: "Aulne blanc"/"Aulne glutineux"

# b) tai
# c) fut 1/2

# Identify where two types of alnus are observed within the same plot
temp <- data_spW__C2
for(grp in unique(temp$ID_pl)) { # Group by 'ID_pl'
if(any(temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'essence'] == "Aulne blanc") &
any(temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'essence'] == "Aulne glutineux")) { # If a plot
contains both "Aulne blanc" AND "Aulne glutineux"
temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'dupl_aulne'] <- 1 # Then assign 1
}
else {temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'dupl_aulne'] <- 0 # Otherwise assign 0
}
}
table(temp$dupl_aulne) # 5 plots where both "Aulne glutineux" and "Aulne blanc"
are found together
data_spW__C2 <- temp

# Replacement of "Aulne blanc" & "Aulne glutineux" by "Aulne"
data_spW__C2[,"essence"] <- gsub("Aulne glutineux", "Aulne",
data_spW__C2[,"essence"])
data_spW__C2[,"essence"] <- gsub("Aulne blanc", "Aulne",
data_spW__C2[,"essence"])

# C1 a) Where only one "Aulne" (or none) is found within the plot
data_spW__C2_a <- data_spW__C2[data_spW__C2$dupl_aulne ==0,]

# C1 b) Where more than one "Aulne" is found within the plot
data_spW__C2_b <- data_spW__C2[data_spW__C2$dupl_aulne ==1,]

# Identify where more than one "taillis" is found within the same plot
temp <- data_spW__C2_b
for(grp in unique(temp$ID_pl)) { # Group by 'ID_pl'
if(sum(str_count(temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'source'],'tai')) > 1) { # If more
than one "tai" is found in "source"
temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'dupl_tai'] <- sum(str_count(temp[temp$ID_pl ==
grp, 'source'],'tai')) # Then count
}
else {temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'dupl_tai'] <- 0 # Otherwise assign 0
}
}
data_spW__C2_b <- temp

# Identify where more than one "futaie" is found within the same plot
temp <- data_spW__C2_b
for(grp in unique(temp$ID_pl)) { # Group by 'ID_pl'
if(sum(str_count(temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'source'],'fut')) > 1) { # If more
than one "tai" is found in "source"
temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'dupl_fut'] <- sum(str_count(temp[temp$ID_pl ==
grp, 'source'],'fut')) # Then assign the count
}
else {temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'dupl_fut'] <- 0 # Otherwise assign 0
}
}
data_spW__C2_b <- temp

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# Aggregation over "fut"
# temp <- data_spW_C2_b[data_spW_C2_b$source == "fut",] # use your condition!
> dupl_fut > 0
# temp_melt <- melt(temp, id = c("ID_pl", "ign", "npl", "cy", "source", "etg_f",
"essence"))
# temp_aggr_fut <- cast(temp_melt, ID_pl+source+essence ~ variable, sum) #
Aggregation per plot > Identification of duplicates
# ! cast function loses the important attributes of "source" and "essence".
# temp_aggr_fut$dupl_aulne
data_spW_C2_b$dupl_aulne[match(temp_aggr_fut$ID_pl, data_spW_C2_b$ID_pl)]
# temp_aggr_fut$dupl_fut <- data_spW_C2_b$dupl_fut[match(temp_aggr_fut$ID_pl,
data_spW_C2_b$ID_pl)]

# Aggregation over "tai"
# temp <- data_spW_C2_b[data_spW_C2_b$source == "tai",]
# temp_melt <- melt(temp, id = c("ID_pl", "ign", "npl", "cy", "source", "etg_f",
"essence"))
# temp_aggr_tai <- cast(temp_melt, ID_pl+source+essence ~ variable, sum) #
# ! cast function loses the important attributes of "source" and "essence".
# temp_aggr_tai$dupl_aulne
data_spW_C2_b$dupl_aulne[match(temp_aggr_tai$ID_pl, data_spW_C2_b$ID_pl)]
# temp_aggr_fut$dupl_tai <- data_spW_C2_b$dupl_tai[match(temp_aggr_tai$ID_pl,
data_spW_C2_b$ID_pl)]
# temp_aggr <- rbind(temp_aggr_tai,temp_aggr_fut)

# Aggregation
temp <- data_spW_C2_b
temp_melt <- melt(temp, id = c("ID_pl", "ign", "npl", "cy", "source", "etg_f",
"essence"))
temp_aggr <- cast(temp_melt, ID_pl+source+essence ~ variable, sum)

# Re-building "data_spW_C2_b"
# temp_aggr <- rbind(temp_aggr_tai,temp_aggr_fut)
data_spW_C2_b <- temp_aggr
data_spW_C2_b$ign <- 0
data_spW_C2_b$npl <- 0
data_spW_C2_b$cy <- 0
data_spW_C2_b$etg_f <- 0

var_data_spW <- c(
  "ID",
  "ID_pl",
  "ign",
  "npl",
  "cy",
  "source",
  "etg_f",
  "ess",
  "essence",
  "pcgha",
  "nha",
  "gha",
  "vha",
  "count",
  "dupl",
  "pcgha_class",
  "measured",
  "dupl_aulne",
  "dupl_tai",
  "dupl_fut"
)
data_spW_C2_b <- data_spW_C2_b[, var_data_spW] # Re-ordering columns

# Re-building "data_spW_C2"
#colnames(data_spW_C2_a)
#colnames(data_spW_C2_b)
data_spW_C2_a$dupl_tai <- 0
data_spW_C2_a$dupl_fut <- 0
data_spW_C2 <- rbind(data_spW_C2_a, data_spW_C2_b)

## Aggregation over fut & tai for measured trees with more than 1 tree per plot
(C2)

# Identify where more than one "taillis" is found within the same plot
temp <- data_spW_C2
for(grp in unique(temp$ID_pl)) { # Group by 'ID_pl'
  if(sum(str_count(temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'source'],'tai')) > 1) { # If more
than one "tai" is found in "source"
    temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'dupl_tai'] <- sum(str_count(temp[temp$ID_pl ==
grp, 'source'],'tai')) # Then the count
  }
  else {temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'dupl_tai'] <- 0 # Otherwise assign 0
}
}
data_spW_C2 <- temp

# Identify where more than one "futaie" is found within the same plot
temp <- data_spW_C2
for(grp in unique(temp$ID_pl)) { # Group by 'ID_pl'
  if(sum(str_count(temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'source'],'fut')) > 1) { # If more
than one "tai" is found in "source"
    temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'dupl_fut'] <- sum(str_count(temp[temp$ID_pl ==
grp, 'source'],'fut')) # Then assign the count
  }
  else {temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'dupl_fut'] <- 0 # Otherwise assign 0
}
}
data_spW_C2 <- temp

# Identify where more than one "Alnus" is found within the same plot
temp <- data_spW_C2
for(grp in unique(temp$ID_pl)) { # Group by 'ID_pl'
  if(sum(str_count(temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'essence'],'Aulne')) > 1) { # If more
than one "tai" is found in "source"
    temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'dupl_Alnus'] <- sum(str_count(temp[temp$ID_pl ==
grp, 'essence'],'Aulne')) # Then the count
  }
  else {temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'dupl_Alnus'] <- 0 # Otherwise assign 0
}
}

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data_spW_C2 <- temp
# Identify where more than one "Betula" is found within the same plot
temp <- data_spW_C2
for(grp in unique(temp$ID_pl)) { # Group by 'ID_pl'
  if(sum(str_count(temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'essence'], 'Bouleau')) > 1) { # If
more than one "tai" is found in "source"
    temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'dupl_Betula'] <- sum(str_count(temp[temp$ID_pl ==
grp, 'essence'], 'Bouleau')) # Then the count
  }
  else {temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'dupl_Betula'] <- 0 # Otherwise assign 0
}
}
data_spW_C2 <- temp
# Identify where more than one "Corylus" is found within the same plot
temp <- data_spW_C2
for(grp in unique(temp$ID_pl)) { # Group by 'ID_pl'
  if(sum(str_count(temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'essence'], 'Noisetier')) > 1) { # If
more than one "tai" is found in "source"
    temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'dupl_Corylus'] <- sum(str_count(temp[temp$ID_pl ==
grp, 'essence'], 'Noisetier')) # Then the count
  }
  else {temp[temp$ID_pl == grp, 'dupl_Corylus'] <- 0 # Otherwise assign 0
}
}
data_spW_C2 <- temp

# Aggregation
temp <- data_spW_C2
temp_melt <- melt(temp, id = c("ID_pl", "ign", "npl", "cy", "source", "etg_f",
"essence"))
#temp_aggr <- cast(temp_melt, ID_pl+source+essence ~ variable, sum) #
Aggregation per plot > Identification of duplicates
temp_aggr <- cast(temp_melt, ID_pl+essence ~ variable, sum) # Aggregation per
plot > Identification of duplicates
# ! cast function loses and aggregates important attributes of "source" and
"essence".
temp_aggr$count <- data_spW_C2$count[match(temp_aggr$ID_pl,
data_spW_C2$ID_pl)]
temp_aggr$dupl <- data_spW_C2$dupl[match(temp_aggr$ID_pl,
data_spW_C2$ID_pl)]
temp_aggr$measured <- data_spW_C2$measured[match(temp_aggr$ID_pl,
data_spW_C2$ID_pl)]
temp_aggr$dupl_aulne <- data_spW_C2$dupl_aulne[match(temp_aggr$ID_pl,
data_spW_C2$ID_pl)]
temp_aggr$dupl_tai <- data_spW_C2$dupl_tai[match(temp_aggr$ID_pl,
data_spW_C2$ID_pl)]
temp_aggr$dupl_fut <- data_spW_C2$dupl_fut[match(temp_aggr$ID_pl,
data_spW_C2$ID_pl)]
temp_aggr$dupl_Alnus <- data_spW_C2$dupl_Alnus[match(temp_aggr$ID_pl,
data_spW_C2$ID_pl)]
temp_aggr$dupl_Betula <- data_spW_C2$dupl_Betula[match(temp_aggr$ID_pl,
data_spW_C2$ID_pl)]
temp_aggr$dupl_Corylus <- data_spW_C2$dupl_Corylus[match(temp_aggr$ID_pl,
data_spW_C2$ID_pl)]

# Re-building "data_spW_C"
# Re-building "data_spW_C2"
temp_aggr <- rbind(temp_aggr_tai, temp_aggr_fut)
data_spW_C2 <- temp_aggr
data_spW_C2$sign <- 0
data_spW_C2$npl <- 0
data_spW_C2$cy <- 0
data_spW_C2$source <- 0
data_spW_C2$etg_f <- 0

var_data_spW <- c(
  "ID",
  "ID pl",
  "ign",
  "npl",
  "cy",
  "source",
  "etg_f",
  "ess",
  "essence",
  "pcgha",
  "nha",
  "gha",
  "vha",
  "count",
  "dupl",
  "pcgha_class",
  "measured",
  "dupl_aulne",
  "dupl_tai",
  "dupl_fut",
  "dupl_Alnus",
  "dupl_Betula",
  "dupl_Corylus"
)
data_spW_C2 <- data_spW_C2[, var_data_spW] # Re-ordering columns

# Re-building C1
data_spW_C1$dupl_aulne <- 0
data_spW_C1$dupl_tai <- 0
data_spW_C1$dupl_fut <- 0
data_spW_C1$dupl_Alnus <- 0
data_spW_C1$dupl_Betula <- 0
data_spW_C1$dupl_Corylus <- 0

data_spW_C2 <- data_spW_C2[, var_data_spW] # Re-ordering columns (cf. C2)

# Re-building C
data_spW_C <- rbind(data_spW_C1, data_spW_C2)

## COMPUTING OVERALL GHA VALUES ###

## Creating D

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data_spW_D <- data_spW_C[, 1:13] # Only keeping the essential variables

# Assigning plots' overall GAH values from "data_plW"
# Two overall values (fut/tai) exist
# Total nha, gha and vha

#data_spW_D$NHaf <- 0
data_spW_D$GHaf <- 0
#data_spW_D$VHaf <- 0
#data_spW_D$NHat <- 0
data_spW_D$GHat <- 0
#data_spW_D$VHat <- 0

for(i in 1:nrow(data_spW_D)) {
  if (data_spW_D[i,"source"]=="fut") {
    data_spW_D$GHaf <- data_plW$GHaf[match(data_spW_D$ID_pl,
data_plW$ID_pl)]
  }
  else if (data_spW_D[i,"source"]=="tai") {
    data_spW_D$GHat <- data_plW$GHat[match(data_spW_D$ID_pl,
data_plW$ID_pl)]
  }
  else {
  }
}

data_spW_D$GHaf[is.na(data_spW_D$GHaf)] <- 0 # Assigning 0 for NAs
data_spW_D$GHat[is.na(data_spW_D$GHat)] <- 0 # Assigning 0 for NAs
data_spW_D$GHA_TOT <- data_spW_D$GHaf + data_spW_D$GHat

data_spW_ALL <- data_spW_D

## a) Alnus, Betula, and Corylus
#

data_spW_Alnus <- data_spW_D[data_spW_D$essence == "Aulne",]
data_spW_Betula <- data_spW_D[data_spW_D$essence == "Bouleau",]
data_spW_Corylus <- data_spW_D[data_spW_D$essence == "Noisetier",]

# Computing pcGHA (basal area in %)
data_spW_Alnus$pcGHA_Alnus <- data_spW_Alnus$gha/data_spW_Alnus$GHA_TOT*100
data_spW_Betula$pcGHA_Betula <- data_spW_Betula$gha/data_spW_Betula$GHA_TOT*100
data_spW_Corylus$pcGHA_Corylus <- data_spW_Corylus$gha/data_spW_Corylus$GHA_TOT*100

# Descriptive statistics
summary(data_spW_Alnus)

# Plot
hist(data_spW_Alnus$pcGHA_Alnus, nclass = 100)
hist(data_spW_Betula$pcGHA_Betula, nclass = 100)
hist(data_spW_Corylus$pcGHA_Corylus, nclass = 100)

## b) All 3 species
# Requires aggregation over "ID pl", but "essence" is dropped this time

temp <- data_spW_D
temp_melt <- melt(temp, id = c("ID_pl", "ign", "npl", "cy", "source", "etg_f",
"essence"))
#temp_aggr <- cast(temp_melt, ID_pl+source+essence ~ variable, sum) #
Aggregation per plot > Identification of duplicates
temp_aggr <- cast(temp_melt, ID_pl ~ variable, sum)
data_spW_ALL3 <- temp_aggr

nrow(table(data_spW_ALL3$ID_pl))

# Computing pcGHA
data_spW_ALL3$pcGHA_ALL3 <- data_spW_ALL3$gha/data_spW_ALL3$GHA_TOT*100

# Plot
hist(data_spW_ALL3$pcGHA_ALL3, nclass = 100)

##### PLOTTING
#####

## Violin plot
# With Alnus, Betula, Corylus, and ALL3

temp1 <- data.frame(data_spW_Alnus$pcGHA_Alnus)
temp1$tree <- c("Alnus")
colnames(temp1)[colnames(temp1) == "data_spW_Alnus.pcGHA_Alnus"] <- "pcgha"
temp2 <- data.frame(data_spW_Betula$pcGHA_Betula)
temp2$tree <- "Betula"
colnames(temp2)[colnames(temp2) == "data_spW_Betula.pcGHA_Betula"] <- "pcgha"
temp3 <- data.frame(data_spW_Corylus$pcGHA_Corylus)
temp3$tree <- "Corylus"
colnames(temp3)[colnames(temp3) == "data_spW_Corylus.pcGHA_Corylus"] <- "pcgha"
temp4 <- data.frame(data_spW_ALL3$pcGHA_ALL)
temp4$tree <- "All"
colnames(temp4)[colnames(temp4) == "data_spW_ALL3.pcGHA_ALL"] <- "pcgha"

mean(temp1$pcgha)
mean(temp2$pcgha)
mean(temp3$pcgha)
<- mean(temp4$pcgha)

<- temp_plot <- rbind(temp4, temp1, temp2, temp3)

temp_plot$tree <- factor(temp_plot$tree, levels=c("Alnus", "Betula", "Corylus",
"All"))

colour_type <- c(Alnus = "grey",
Betula = "grey",
Corylus = "grey",
All = "black")

mygraph <- ggplot(temp_plot, aes(x=tree, y=pcgha)) +
  geom_violin(aes(fill = factor(tree)), scale = "area") +

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stat_summary(fun.y=median, geom="point", size=2, color="red") +
# geom boxplot(width=0.05) +
scale_fill_manual(values= colour_type, name="Tree type") +
scale_y_continuous(breaks=seq(0, 100, 20)) +
guides(fill=guide_legend(reverse=FALSE)) +
theme_minimal()
print(mygraph)
ggsave(mygraph, file="data spW Violing-Plot.tiff",
path="C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestierWallon/IFW_R_Outputs/",
width=6, height=5, dpi=250)

##### FINAL TABLE #####
# Merging "ALL3 - Alnus - Betula - Corylus" with all records from
"Pts_forestiers" (all sampling plots from the WFI)

shp <- readOGR(dsn="C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/2_DATA/Inventaire forestier Wallon/20160606 IFW/Pts_for_CY1",
layer="Pts_forestiers_CY1", stringsAsFactors=FALSE, use_iconv = TRUE,
encoding="UTF-8")
data_spW_FULLL <- data.frame(shp@data)
data_spW_FULLL$ID_pl <- paste(data_spW_FULLL$IGN, data_spW_FULLL$NPL, sep="")
data_spW_FULLL <- data_spW_FULLL[,c("ID_pl", "X", "Y")]
data_spW_FULLL <- merge(data_spW_FULLL,
data_spW_Alnus[,c("ID_pl", "gha", "pcGHA_Alnus")], by="ID_pl", all=TRUE)
colnames(data_spW_FULLL)[colnames(data_spW_FULLL) == "gha"] <- "gha_alnus"
data_spW_FULLL <- merge(data_spW_FULLL,
data_spW_Betula[,c("ID_pl", "gha", "pcGHA_Betula")], by="ID_pl", all=TRUE)
colnames(data_spW_FULLL)[colnames(data_spW_FULLL) == "gha"] <- "gha_betula"
data_spW_FULLL <- merge(data_spW_FULLL,
data_spW_Corylus[,c("ID_pl", "gha", "pcGHA_Corylus")], by="ID_pl", all=TRUE)
colnames(data_spW_FULLL)[colnames(data_spW_FULLL) == "gha"] <- "gha_corylus"
data_spW_FULLL <- merge(data_spW_FULLL,
data_spW_ALL3[,c("ID_pl", "gha", "pcGHA_ALL3", "GHA_TOT")], by="ID_pl",
all=TRUE)
colnames(data_spW_FULLL)[colnames(data_spW_FULLL) == "gha"] <- "gha_all3"
data_spW_FULLL[is.na(data_spW_FULLL )] <- 0 # replace NA values
#colnames(data_spW_FULLL)
data_spW_FULLL <- data_spW_FULLL[,c("ID_pl",
"x",
"y",
"GHA_TOT",
"gha_alnus",
"pcGHA_Alnus",
"gha_betula",
"pcGHA_Betula",
"gha_corylus",
"pcGHA_Corylus",
"gha_all3",
"pcGHA_ALL3")] # Reorder by column name

write.xlsx(data_spW_FULLL, "C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestierWallon/IFW R_Outputs/data s
pW_FULLL.xlsx")

# FULL = all plots sampled (even those without allergenic trees)
# ALL = all with trees sampled separately
# ALL3 = All3 species together (same column)
# Alnus = Alnus only
# Betula = //
# Corylus = //

##### MAPPING #####

### Building the output shapefile

# shp info
ogrInfo("C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestierWallon",
"Pts_forestiers_CY1_ID_pl")

# import shp
shp <- readOGR(dsn="C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestierWallon",
layer="Pts_forestiers_CY1_ID_pl", stringsAsFactors=FALSE, encoding="UTF-8")

# Draw points shp
#points(shp, axes=TRUE, border="gray")

# projection info
#print(proj4string(shp))

# Joint attributes
# 0) ALL
# a) ALL3
shp_data_spW_ALL3 <- shp
#shp_data_spW_ALL3$ID_pl <- paste(shp_data_spW_ALL3$IGN,
shp_data_spW_ALL3$NPL, sep="") # creating the same "ID_pl" for joining the
shapefile
shp_data_spW_ALL3@data <- join(shp_data_spW_ALL3@data, data_spW_ALL3, by =
"ID_pl", type = "left")
#shp_data_spW_ALL3@data <- join(shp_data_spW_ALL3@data, data_spW_ALL3, by =
"ID_pl", type = "full")

# Check for the join whether both "ID_P1" match
temp1 <- data.frame(shp_data_spW_ALL3@data)
temp2 <- data_spW_ALL3
temp1$check <- 0
j <- 1
while(j <= nrow(temp1)){
if ( any( temp2$ID_pl == temp1[j,"ID_pl"] )) {
temp1[j,"check"] <- 1
}
j <- j+1
}

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table(temp1$check)
nrow(temp2)
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# ! 11 plots from the dataset have not match with the shapefile

writeOGR(shp_data_spW_ALL3, "C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestierWallon/IFW_R_Outputs",
"data_spW_ALL3", driver="ESRI Shapefile", layer_options= c(encoding= "UTF-8"),
overwrite_layer=T)

#b) Alnus
shp_data_spW_Alnus <- shp
shp_data_spW_Alnus$ID_pl <- paste(shp_data_spW_Alnus$IGN,
shp_data_spW_Alnus$NPL, sep="") # creating the same "ID_pl" for joining the
shapefile
shp_data_spW_Alnus@data <- join(shp_data_spW_Alnus@data, data_spW_Alnus, by =
"ID_pl", type = "left")

writeOGR(shp_data_spW_Alnus, "C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestierWallon/IFW_R_Outputs",
"data_spW_Alnus", driver="ESRI Shapefile", layer_options= c(encoding= "UTF-8"),
overwrite_layer=T)

#c) Betula
shp_data_spW_Betula <- shp
shp_data_spW_Betula$ID_pl <- paste(shp_data_spW_Betula$IGN,
shp_data_spW_Betula$NPL, sep="") # creating the same "ID_pl" for joining the
shapefile
shp_data_spW_Betula@data <- join(shp_data_spW_Betula@data, data_spW_Betula, by
= "ID_pl", type = "left")

writeOGR(shp_data_spW_Betula, "C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestierWallon/IFW_R_Outputs",
"data_spW_Betula", driver="ESRI Shapefile", layer_options= c(encoding= "UTF-
8"), overwrite_layer=T)

#d) Corylus
shp_data_spW_Corylus <- shp
shp_data_spW_Corylus$ID_pl <- paste(shp_data_spW_Corylus$IGN,
shp_data_spW_Corylus$NPL, sep="") # creating the same "ID_pl" for joining the
shapefile
shp_data_spW_Corylus@data <- join(shp_data_spW_Corylus@data, data_spW_Corylus,
by = "ID_pl", type = "left")

writeOGR(shp_data_spW_Corylus, "C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestierWallon/IFW_R_Outputs",
"data_spW_Corylus", driver="ESRI Shapefile", layer_options= c(encoding= "UTF-
8"), overwrite_layer=T)

##### SUMMARY #####
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#rs.restartR()
options(java.parameters = "- Xmx1024m") # to overcome the "OutOfMemoryError
(Java)" occurring when loading xlsx files with too icj column entries (GC overhead
limit exceeded)
library("rJava", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("xlsx", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3") #! Conflicting with XLConnect
when loaded
library("XLConnect", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("reshape", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("reshape2", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("stringi", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("stringr", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("shapefiles", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("plyr", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("rgdal", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("vioplot", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("ggplot2", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("shapefiles", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("rgdal", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library(xlsx)

##### OVERALL APPROACH #####
# Importing datasets: "Plots" and "Trees_2eBosinv"
# Selecting and sorting observations
# Computing a basal area (gha) for the 3 selected allergenic trees
# Computing a global basal area (GHA) for all trees
# Comparing these two by computing an overall relative basal area (pcGHA)

# Main tables generated
#data_spF_ALL # All tree species within the dataset
#data_spF_ALL3 # All 3 allergenic tree species
#data_spF_Alnus # Alnus
#data_spF_Betula # Betula
#data_spF_Corylus # Corylus

##### DATA IMPORT #####
setwd("C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401 RespirIT")

## Importing sheet "Trees_2eBosinv"

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## 1.2. Flemish Forest Inventory (RespirIT\_IFF\_4.R)

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data_import_sp<-loadWorkbook("C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401 nrow(data_spF[is.na(data_spF$ID),] )
RespirIT/3 ANALYSIS/Traitements InventaireForestierFlamand/IFF DatabaseExtract #data_spF <- data_spF[!is.na(data_spF$ID),] # Cleaning up rows with NAs
s/Trees_2eBosinv_EmptyFieldsRemoved.xlsx")
data_import_sp <-readWorksheet(data_import_sp, sheet = "Trees_2eBosinv", # Nbr of dead trees =
startRow = 1) nrow(data_spF[data_spF$Status_tree == 2,])
# Percentage =
nrow(data_spF[data_spF$Status_tree == 2,])/nrow(data_spF)*100

#colnames(data_import_sp)

data_spF <- data_import_sp

data_spF <- data_spF[,c(
  "IDPlots", # Plot's ID
  "X_m",
  "Y_m",
  "ID", # Specie's ID
  "Species",
  #"Species_Scientific", #empty
  "DBH_mm", # Diameter at Breast Height
  "Height_m",
  "Perimeter_cm", # Tree perimeter
  "Status_tree", # Dead (2) or alive (1)
  "CodeCoppice_Individual" # 'Individuele boom' (10) or 'Hakhoutstoof' (20)
  #"DummyID_A3",
  #"DummyID_A4"
)] # Variables selected so far...

## Importing sheet "Plots"

data_import_pl<-loadWorkbook("C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3 ANALYSIS/Traitements InventaireForestierFlamand/IFF DatabaseExtract
s/Plots.xlsx")
data_import_pl <- readWorksheet(data_import_pl, sheet = "Plots", startRow = 1)

#colnames(data_plF)

data_plF <- data import pl
data_plF <- data_plF[,c(
  "ID",
  "PlotSize",
  "PlotShape",
  "Area_m2",
  "Plot_type"
)] # Variables selected so far...

table(data_plF$PlotSize)
# = Total number of plots within the 2nd inventory

##### DATA PROCESSING #####

# TOTAL Nbr of observations =
nrow(data_spF)

# Check Rows with NAs

nrow(data_spF[is.na(data_spF$ID),] )
#data_spF <- data_spF[!is.na(data_spF$ID),] # Cleaning up rows with NAs
# Nbr of dead trees =
nrow(data_spF[data_spF$Status_tree == 2,])
# Percentage =
nrow(data_spF[data_spF$Status_tree == 2,])/nrow(data_spF)*100

data_spF <- data_spF[!data_spF$Status_tree == 2,] # Removing dead trees

# "data_spF" = dataset with all tree species

# Creating a dataset with 3 selected tree species (Alnus, Betula & Corylus)

data_spF_D <- data_spF
data_spF_D <- data_spF_D[data_spF_D$Species == 10 | # Alnus glutinosa (L.)
Gaertn.
  data_spF_D$Species == 11 | # Alnus incana (L.) Moench
#data_spF_D$Species == 1470 | # Alnus cordata (Loisel.) Duby
  data_spF_D$Species == 12 | # Betula tremula/alba
#data_spF_D$Species == 146 | # Betula alba L.
#data_spF_D$Species == 128 | # Betula pendula Roth
  data_spF_D$Species == 14 , ] # Corylus avellana L.

#< Replacing figures by names
data_spF_D[, "Species"] <- gsub(10, "Aulne", data_spF_D[, "Species"]) #another
option
data_spF_D[, "Species"] <- gsub(11, "Aulne", data_spF_D[, "Species"]) #another
option
data_spF_D[, "Species"] <- gsub(12, "Bouleau", data_spF_D[, "Species"])
#another option
data_spF_D[, "Species"] <- gsub(14, "Noisetier", data_spF_D[, "Species"])
#another option

nrow(data_spF_D)

# -> 7.855 observations if keeping all types of Alnus/Betula/Corylus
# -> 7.848 observations if keeping only Alnus glutinosa, Alnus incana, Betula
tremula/alba, and Corylus avellana
# 7 observations are omitted > Let's not bother with them

## Tree Structure ##

data_spF_melt <- melt(data_spF_D, id = c("IDPlots", "X_m", "Y_m", "ID",
"Species", "Status_tree", "CodeCoppice_Individual"))
temp_aggr <- cast(data_spF_melt, Species ~ variable)
# "Aggregation requires fun.aggregate: length used as default" > usual if "sum"
not defined (calculates freq. by default)
#table_spF_tree_str <- temp_aggr[,c("essence","tai_NA","fut_1","fut_2")]
temp_aggr <- temp_aggr[,1:2 ]
colnames(temp_aggr) <- c("species","Count")
table_spF_tree_str <- temp_aggr
table_spF_tree_str
# ! No information about trees' structure (coppice vs tree stand)

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## Allergenic tree species' basal area ##

## Based on Afdeling Bos & Groen (2001), p29-30,
# Calculating species' basal area (gha) in m2/ha requires:

# Tree perimeter (cm)
# Plots' type (only A3 & A4 ?)
# Extension factor(*):
# For A3 plots, R3=9m, F3=39.30
# For A4 plots, R4=18m, F4=9.82

# * Allows extrapolating the basal area to the hectare
# ! Walloon Forest Inventory: F4=9,80 for trees greater than 120cm
circumference...

# Testing variable consistency for "DummyID_A3" and "DummyID_A4"
#summary(data_spF__D) # variables summary
#table(data_spF__D$DummyID_A3) # values summary (0 to 71 ?)
#table(data_spF__D$DummyID_A4) # values summary (0 to 16 ?)
#table(is.na(data_spF__D$DummyID_A3)) # Nbr of NAs
#table(is.na(data_spF__D$DummyID_A4)) # Nbr of NAs
#nrow(data_spF__D[is.na(data_spF__D$DummyID_A3)&is.na(data_spF__D$DummyID_A4),
]) # When both A3 & A4 contain NAs
#1039/7855*100
# For 13,2% of the sample, we have no information about the plot type (A3 or
A4)
# These entries must be removed for calculating species' basal area

# Keeping entries where Perimeter is available
# i.e. Removing 1 entry...
nrow(data_spF__D[is.na(data_spF__D$Perimeter_cm),])
data_spF__D <-data_spF__D[!is.na(data_spF__D$Perimeter_cm),]
#nrow(data_spF__D[is.na(data_spF__D$Height_m),])
#View(data_spF__D[is.na(data_spF__D$Height_m),])

# Assigning the nbr 3 for A3 plots
# Assigning the nbr 4 for A4 plots
# Assigning the nbr 0 for lines with both A3 & A4 == 0

data_spF__D$Plot_type <- 99
for(i in 1:nrow(data_spF__D)) {
  if(#data_spF__D[i,"Height_m"]>= 2 &
    data_spF__D[i,"Perimeter_cm"]< 22) {
    data_spF__D[i,"Plot_type"] <- 2
  }
  else if (#data_spF__D[i,"Height_m"]>= 2 &
    data_spF__D[i,"Perimeter_cm"]>= 22 &
    data_spF__D[i,"Perimeter_cm"]< 122) {
    data_spF__D[i,"Plot_type"] <- 3
  }
  else if (#data_spF__D[i,"Height_m"]>= 2 &
    data_spF__D[i,"Perimeter_cm"]>= 122) {
    data_spF__D[i,"Plot_type"] <- 4
  }
}

}
else {
}
}

table(data_spF__D$Plot_type)

#temp <- data_spF__D[data_spF__D$Plot_type==0,]
#1774/7855*100
#temp <- data_spF__D[data_spF__D$Plot_type==0 &
data_spF__D$Species=="Noisetier",]
#337/1774*100
# For 22.6% of the sample, no plot type assigned (!)
# Many (19%) are corylus
# Total uncomplete entries for working with the "DummyID_A3" and "DummyID_A4"
variables
#1774+1039
#(2813)/7855*100
# > losing 35,8% > Too much > To be addressed later on (!)

#data_spF__D <- data_spF__D[!data_spF__D$Plot_type==0,] # Carrying on with the
5.035 entries remaining...

## Computing the the basal area ('gha')
data_spF__D$gha <- (data_spF__D$Perimeter_cm^2)/(4*pi*10000)

#Assigning the extension factor
for(i in 1:nrow(data_spF__D)) {
  if(data_spF__D[i,"Plot_type"]== 4 ) {
    data_spF__D[i,"gha"] <- data_spF__D[i,"gha"] * 9.82
  }
  else if (data_spF__D[i,"Plot_type"]== 3 ) {
    data_spF__D[i,"gha"] <- data_spF__D[i,"gha"] * 39.30
  }
  else if (data_spF__D[i,"Plot_type"]== 2 ) {
    data_spF__D[i,"gha"] <- data_spF__D[i,"gha"] * 157.19
  }
  else if (data_spF__D[i,"Plot_type"]== 1 ) {
    data_spF__D[i,"gha"] <- data_spF__D[i,"gha"] * 628.76
  }
  else { data_spF__D[i,"gha"] <- NA
}
}

#summary(data_spF__D)

# Aggregating 'gha' per plot
data_spF_melt <- melt(data_spF__D, id = c("IDPlots", "X_m", "Y_m", "ID",
"Species", "Status tree", "CodeCoppice Individual"))

# ALL3
data_spF_ALL3 <- cast(data_spF_melt, IDPlots ~ variable, sum) # Summing each
tree's 'gha' per plot

# Alnus, Betula & Corylus
data_spF_Alnus <- cast(data_spF_melt, IDPlots ~ variable, sum, subset =
Species=="Aulne ")

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data_spF_Betula <- cast(data_spF_melt, IDPlots ~ variable, sum, subset =
Species=="Bouleau")
data_spF_Corylus <- cast(data_spF_melt, IDPlots ~ variable, sum, subset =
Species=="Noisetier")

## All tree species' basal area ##

# Testing variable consistency for "DummyID_A3" and "DummyID_A4"
# summary(data_spF) # variables summary
# table(data_spF$DummyID_A3) # values summary (0 to 71 ?)
# table(data_spF$DummyID_A4) # values summary (0 to 16 ?)
# table(is.na(data_spF$DummyID_A3)) # Nbr of NAs
# table(is.na(data_spF$DummyID_A4)) # Nbr of NAs
# nrow(data_spF[is.na(data_spF$DummyID_A3)&is.na(data_spF$DummyID_A4),]) #
When both A3 & A4 contain NAs

# Keeping entries where Perimeter is available
# i.e. Removing 2 entries...
nrow(data_spF[is.na(data_spF$Perimeter_cm),])
data_spF <-data_spF[!is.na(data_spF$Perimeter_cm),]
#nrow(data_spF__D[is.na(data_spF__D$Height_m),])
#View(data_spF__D[is.na(data_spF__D$Height_m),])

# Removing lines When both A3 & A4 contain NAs
# data_spF <-data_spF[!is.na(data_spF$DummyID_A3)
!is.na(data_spF$DummyID_A4),]

# Assigning the nbr 3 for A3 plots
# Assigning the nbr 4 for A4 plots
# Assigning the nbr 0 for lines with both A3 & A4 == 0

data_spF$Plot_type <- 99
for(i in 1:nrow(data_spF)) {
  if(#data_spF__D[i,"Height_m"]>= 2 &
  data_spF[i,"Perimeter_cm"]< 22) {
    data_spF[i,"Plot_type"] <- 2
  }
  else if (#data_spF__D[i,"Height_m"]>= 2 &
  data_spF[i,"Perimeter_cm"]>= 22 &
  data_spF[i,"Perimeter_cm"]< 122) {
    data_spF[i,"Plot_type"] <- 3
  }
  else if (#data_spF__D[i,"Height_m"]>= 2 &
  data_spF[i,"Perimeter_cm"]>= 122) {
    data_spF[i,"Plot_type"] <- 4
  }
  else {
  }
}
table(data_spF$Plot_type)
#temp <- data_spF[data_spF$Plot_type==0,]

data_spF <- data_spF[!data_spF$Plot_type==0,] # Carrying on without the entrie
where plot_type = 0

## Computing the basal area ('gha')
data_spF$gha_all <- (data_spF$Perimeter_cm^2)/(4*pi*10000)

#Assigning the extension factor
for(i in 1:nrow(data_spF)) {
  if(data_spF[i,"Plot_type"]== 4 ) {
    data_spF[i,"gha_all"] <- data_spF[i,"gha_all"] * 9.82
  }
  else if (data_spF[i,"Plot_type"]== 3 ) {
    data_spF[i,"gha_all"] <- data_spF[i,"gha_all"] * 39.30
  }
  else if (data_spF[i,"Plot_type"]== 2 ) {
    data_spF[i,"gha_all"] <- data_spF[i,"gha_all"] * 157.19
  }
  else if (data_spF[i,"Plot_type"]== 1 ) {
    data_spF[i,"gha_all"] <- data_spF[i,"gha_all"] * 628.76
  }
  else { data_spF[i,"gha_all"] <- NA
  }
}
#table(is.na(data_spF$gha_all))

# Aggregating
data_spF_melt <- melt(data_spF, id = c("IDPlots", "X m", "Y m", "ID", "Species",
"Status_tree", "CodeCoppice_Individual"))
data_spF_ALL <- cast(data_spF_melt, IDPlots ~ variable, sum) # Aggregating 'gha'
per plot

#Cleaning
#data_spF_ALL$DBH mm <- NULL
#data_spF_ALL$Height_m <- NULL
#data_spF_ALL$Perimeter_cm <- NULL
#data_spF_ALL$Plot_type <- NULL

#Adding XY coordinates
#data_spF_ALL$X
#data_spF_ALL$Y

## Calculating the relative basal area in % ##

# ALL
data_spF_ALL3$gha_TOT <- 0
data_spF_ALL3$gha_TOT <- data_spF_ALL$gha_all[match(data_spF_ALL3$IDPlots,
data_spF_ALL$IDPlots)]
data_spF_ALL3$pcGHA_ALL3 <- data_spF_ALL3$gha/data_spF_ALL3$gha_TOT*100
hist(data_spF_ALL3$pcGHA_ALL3)

# Alnus
data_spF_Alnus$gha_TOT <- 0
data_spF_Alnus$gha_TOT<- data_spF_ALL$gha_all[match(data_spF_Alnus$IDPlots,
data_spF_ALL$IDPlots)]
data_spF_Alnus$pcGHA_Alnus <- data_spF_Alnus$gha/data_spF_Alnus$gha_TOT*100
hist(data_spF_Alnus$pcGHA_Alnus)

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# Betula
data_spF_Betula$gha_TOT <- 0
data_spF_Betula$gha_TOT<- data_spF_ALL$gha_all[match(data_spF_Betula$IDPlots,
data_spF_ALL$IDPlots)]
data_spF_Betula$pcGHA_Betula
data_spF_Betula$gha/data_spF_Betula$gha_TOT*100
hist(data_spF_Betula$pcGHA_Betula)

# Corylus

data_spF_Corylus$gha_TOT <- 0
data_spF_Corylus$gha_TOT<-
data_spF_ALL$gha_all[match(data_spF_Corylus$IDPlots, data_spF_ALL$IDPlots)]
data_spF_Corylus$pcGHA_Corylus
data_spF_Corylus$gha/data_spF_Corylus$gha_TOT*100
hist(data_spF_Corylus$pcGHA_Corylus)

##### PLOTTING #####

## Violin plot
# With Alnus, Betula, Corylus, and ALL3

temp1 <-data.frame(data_spF_Alnus$pcGHA_Alnus)
temp1$tree <- c("Alnus")
colnames(temp1)[colnames(temp1) == "data_spF_Alnus.pcGHA_Alnus"] <- "pcgha"
temp2 <- data.frame(data_spF_Betula$pcGHA_Betula)
temp2$tree <- "Betula"
colnames(temp2)[colnames(temp2) == "data_spF_Betula.pcGHA_Betula"] <- "pcgha"
temp3 <- data.frame(data_spF_Corylus$pcGHA_Corylus)
temp3$tree <- "Corylus"
colnames(temp3)[colnames(temp3) == "data_spF_Corylus.pcGHA_Corylus"] <- "pcgha"
temp4 <- data.frame(data_spF_ALL3$pcGHA_ALL)
temp4$tree <- "All"
colnames(temp4)[colnames(temp4) == "data_spF_ALL3.pcGHA_ALL"] <- "pcgha"

mean(temp1$pcgha)
mean(temp2$pcgha)
mean(temp3$pcgha)
mean(temp4$pcgha)

temp_plot <- rbind(temp4, temp1, temp2, temp3)

temp_plot$tree <- factor(temp_plot$tree, levels=c("Alnus", "Betula", "Corylus",
"All"))

colour_type <- c(Alnus = "grey",
Betula = "grey",
Corylus = "grey",
All = "black")

mygraph <- ggplot(temp_plot, aes(x=tree, y=pcgha)) +
geom_violin(aes(fill = factor(tree)), scale = "area") +
stat_summary(fun.y=median, geom="point", size=2, color="red") +

# geom_boxplot(width=0.05) +
scale_fill_manual(values= colour_type, name="Tree type") +
scale_y_continuous(breaks=seq(0, 100, 20)) +
guides(fill=guide_legend(reverse=FALSE)) +
theme_minimal()
print(mygraph)
<- ggsave(mygraph, file="data_spF_Violing-Plot.tiff",
path="C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestierFlamand/IFF_R_Outputs/",
width=6, height=5, dpi=250)

##### FINAL TABLE #####

<- data_spF_FULL <- merge(data_spF_ALL,
data_spF_Alnus[,c("IDPlots", "gha", "pcGHA_Alnus")], by="IDPlots", all=TRUE) #
merge by row names (by=0 or by="row.names")
colnames(data_spF_FULL)[colnames(data_spF_FULL) == "gha"] <- "gha_alnus"
data_spF_FULL <- merge(data_spF_FULL,
data_spF_Betula[,c("IDPlots", "gha", "pcGHA_Betula")], by="IDPlots", all=TRUE) #
merge by row names (by=0 or by="row.names")
colnames(data_spF_FULL)[colnames(data_spF_FULL) == "gha"] <- "gha_betula"
data_spF_FULL <- merge(data_spF_FULL,
data_spF_Corylus[,c("IDPlots", "gha", "pcGHA_Corylus")], by="IDPlots", all=TRUE)
# merge by row names (by=0 or by="row.names")
colnames(data_spF_FULL)[colnames(data_spF_FULL) == "gha"] <- "gha_corylus"
data_spF_FULL <- merge(data_spF_FULL,
data_spF_ALL3[,c("IDPlots", "gha", "pcGHA_ALL3")], by="IDPlots", all=TRUE) #
merge by row names (by=0 or by="row.names")
colnames(data_spF_FULL)[colnames(data_spF_FULL) == "gha"] <- "gha_all3"
data_spF_FULL[is.na(data_spF_FULL )] <- 0 # replace NA values

write.xlsx(data_spF_FULL, "C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestierFlamand/IFF_R_Outputs/data_
spF_FULL.xlsx")

##### MAPPING #####

### Building the output shapefile

# shp info
ogrInfo("C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestierFlamand", "invb2")
#ogrInfo("C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/2_DATA/Inventaire forestier Flamand/From L. Goveare - LNE Vlanderen
20161121/invb2", "invb2")

# import shp
shp <- readOGR(dsn="C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestierFlamand", layer="invb2",
stringsAsFactors=FALSE, encoding="UTF-8")
#shp <- readOGR(dsn="C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/2_DATA/Inventaire forestier Flamand/From L. Goveare - LNE Vlanderen
20161121/invb2", layer="invb2", stringsAsFactors=FALSE, encoding="UTF-8")

```

```

#shp <- readOGR(dsn="C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401 j <- j+1
RespirIT/2_DATA/Inventaire forestier Wallon/20160606 IFW/Pts_for_CY1", }
layer="Pts_forestiers_CY1", stringsAsFactors=FALSE, use_iconv = TRUE, table(temp1$check)
encoding="UTF-8") nrow(temp1)
#test <- data.frame(shp@data) nrow(temp2)
# Clear: all IDs from the table match with shapfile's IDs

# Draw points shp
#points(shp, axes=TRUE, border="gray")

# projection info
#print(proj4string(shp))

# Join attributes

# 0) FULL
shp_data_spF_FULL <- shp
#shp_data_spF_ALL3$PLOTNR <- paste(shp_data_spF_ALL3$IGN,
shp_data_spF_ALL3$NPL,sep="") # creating the same "PLOTNR" for joining the
shapfile
colnames(data_spF_FULL)[colnames(data_spF_FULL) == "IDPlots"] <- "PLOTNR" #
Renaming the variable describing plots' IDs to match with the shapfile
shp_data_spF_FULL@data <- join(shp_data_spF_FULL@data, data_spF_FULL, by =
"PLOTNR", type = "left")

writeOGR(shp_data_spF_FULL, "C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestierFlamand/IFF_R_Outputs",
"data_spF_FULL", driver="ESRI Shapefile", layer_options= c(encoding= "UTF-8"),
overwrite_layer=T)

# a) ALL
shp_data_spF_ALL3 <- shp
#shp_data_spF_ALL3$PLOTNR <- paste(shp_data_spF_ALL3$IGN,
shp_data_spF_ALL3$NPL,sep="") # creating the same "PLOTNR" for joining the
shapfile
colnames(data_spF_ALL3)[colnames(data_spF_ALL3) == "IDPlots"] <- "PLOTNR" #
Renaming the variable describing plots' IDs to match with the shapfile
#class(data_spF_ALL3$PLOTNR) <- "integer" # changes the class of a selected
column of a df

shp_data_spF_ALL3@data <- join(shp_data_spF_ALL3@data, data_spF_ALL3, by =
"PLOTNR", type = "left")

writeOGR(shp_data_spF_ALL3, "C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestierFlamand/IFF_R_Outputs",
"data_spF_ALL3", driver="ESRI Shapefile", layer_options= c(encoding= "UTF-8"),
overwrite_layer=T)

# Check for the join whether both "ID_P1" match
temp1 <- data.frame(shp_data_spF_ALL3@data)
temp2 <- data_spF_ALL3
temp1$check <- 0
j <- 1
while(j <= nrow(temp1)){
  if ( any( temp2$PLOTNR == temp1[j,"PLOTNR"] ) ) {
    temp1[j,"check"] <- 1
  }
}

#b) Alnus
shp_data_spF_Alnus <- shp
#shp_data_spF_Alnus$PLOTNR <- paste(shp_data_spF_Alnus$IGN,
shp_data_spF_Alnus$NPL,sep="") # creating the same "PLOTNR" for joining the
shapfile
colnames(data_spF_Alnus)[colnames(data_spF_Alnus) == "IDPlots"] <- "PLOTNR" #
Renaming the variable describing plots' IDs to match with the shapfile
shp_data_spF_Alnus@data <- join(shp_data_spF_Alnus@data, data_spF_Alnus, by =
"PLOTNR", type = "left")

writeOGR(shp_data_spF_Alnus, "C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestierFlamand/IFF_R_Outputs",
"data_spF_Alnus", driver="ESRI Shapefile", layer_options= c(encoding= "UTF-8"),
overwrite_layer=T)

#c) Betula
shp_data_spF_Betula <- shp
#shp_data_spF_Betula$PLOTNR <- paste(shp_data_spF_Betula$IGN,
shp_data_spF_Betula$NPL,sep="") # creating the same "PLOTNR" for joining the
shapfile
colnames(data_spF_Betula)[colnames(data_spF_Betula) == "IDPlots"] <- "PLOTNR" #
Renaming the variable describing plots' IDs to match with the shapfile
shp_data_spF_Betula@data <- join(shp_data_spF_Betula@data, data_spF_Betula, by =
"PLOTNR", type = "left")

writeOGR(shp_data_spF_Betula, "C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestierFlamand/IFF_R_Outputs",
"data_spF_Betula", driver="ESRI Shapefile", layer_options= c(encoding= "UTF-
8"), overwrite_layer=T)

#d) Corylus
shp_data_spF_Corylus <- shp
#shp_data_spF_Corylus$PLOTNR <- paste(shp_data_spF_Corylus$IGN,
shp_data_spF_Corylus$NPL,sep="") # creating the same "PLOTNR" for joining the
shapfile
colnames(data_spF_Corylus)[colnames(data_spF_Corylus) == "IDPlots"] <- "PLOTNR" #
Renaming the variable describing plots' IDs to match with the shapfile
shp_data_spF_Corylus@data <- join(shp_data_spF_Corylus@data, data_spF_Corylus,
by = "PLOTNR", type = "left")

writeOGR(shp_data_spF_Corylus, "C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestierFlamand/IFF_R_Outputs",
"data_spF_Corylus", driver="ESRI Shapefile", layer_options= c(encoding= "UTF-
8"), overwrite_layer=T)

```



### 1.3. Belgian Forest Inventory (RespirIT\_IF\_BEL.R)

```
##### SUMMARY #####
```

```
# PACKAGES
# OVERALL APPROACH
# DATA IMPORT
# DATA PROCESSING
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# FINAL TABLE
# MAPPING
```

```
##### PACKAGES #####
```

```
library("rJava", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("xlsx", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3") #! If activated > conflict with
XLConnect
library("XLConnect", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("reshape", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("reshape2", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("stringi", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("stringr", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("shapefiles", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("plyr", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("rgdal", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("vioplot", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("ggplot2", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
#install.packages('ggplot2', repos='http://cran.rstudio.com', type='source')
library("shapefiles", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
library("rgdal", lib.loc=~R/win-library/3.3")
```

```
#.rs.restartR()
```

```
## FUNCTIONS ##
```

```
# Multiple plot function
```

```
multiplot <- function(..., plotlist=NULL, file, cols=1, layout=NULL) {
  library(grid)
```

```
  # Make a list from the ... arguments and plotlist
  plots <- c(list(...), plotlist)
```

```
  numPlots = length(plots)
```

```
  # If layout is NULL, then use 'cols' to determine layout
```

```
  if (is.null(layout)) {
    # Make the panel
    # ncol: Number of columns of plots
    # nrow: Number of rows needed, calculated from # of cols
    layout <- matrix(seq(1, cols * ceiling(numPlots/cols)),
                     ncol = cols, nrow = ceiling(numPlots/cols))
  }
```

```
  if (numPlots==1) {
```

```
    print(plots[[1]])
```

```
  } else {
```

```
    # Set up the page
    grid.newpage()
    pushViewport(viewport(layout = grid.layout(nrow(layout), ncol(layout))))
```

```
    # Make each plot, in the correct location
```

```
    for (i in 1:numPlots) {
```

```
      # Get the i,j matrix positions of the regions that contain this subplot
      matchidx <- as.data.frame(which(layout == i, arr.ind = TRUE))
```

```
      print(plots[[i]], vp = viewport(layout.pos.row = matchidx$row,
                                       layout.pos.col = matchidx$col))
    }
```

```
##### FINAL TABLE #####
```

```
## FULL
```

```
temp1 <- data_spW_FULL
temp1$Region <- c("Wallonia")
colnames(temp1)[colnames(temp1) == "ID_p1"] <- "ID_BEL"
temp1$X <- NULL
temp1$Y <- NULL
colnames(temp1)[colnames(temp1) == "GHA_TOT"] <- "gha_ALL"
```

```
temp2 <- data_spF_FULL
temp2$Region <- c("Flanders")
colnames(temp2)[colnames(temp2) == "PLOTNR"] <- "ID_BEL"
temp2$DBH_mm <- NULL
temp2$Height_m <- NULL
temp2$Perimeter_cm <- NULL
temp2$Plot type <- NULL
colnames(temp2)[colnames(temp2) == "gha_all"] <- "gha_ALL"
```

```
data_sp_BEL_FULL <- rbind(temp1, temp2)
data_sp_BEL_FULL <- data_sp_BEL_FULL[,c(
  "ID_BEL",
  "Region",
  "gha_ALL",
  "gha_alnus",
  "pcGHA_Alnus",
  "gha_betula",
  "pcGHA_Betula",
  "gha_corylus",
  "pcGHA_Corylus",
  "gha_all3",
  "pcGHA_ALL3")]
```

```
write.xlsx(data_sp_BEL_FULL, "C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestier/IF_R_Outputs/data_sp_BEL_F
ULL.xlsx")
```

```

## All 3

# Select
#temp1 <- data_spW_ALL3[,c("ID_pl", "pcGHA_ALL3")]
#temp2 <- data_spF_ALL3[,c("PLOTNR", "pcGHA_ALL3")]
temp1 <- data_spW_FULLL[,c("ID_pl", "pcGHA_ALL3")]
temp2 <- data_spF_FULLL[,c("PLOTNR", "pcGHA_ALL3")]
# Rename
colnames(temp1) <- c("ID_BEL", "pcGHA_ALL3")
colnames(temp2) <- c("ID_BEL", "pcGHA_ALL3")
# Merge
data_sp_BEL_ALL3 <- rbind(temp1, temp2)

#write.xlsx(data_sp_BEL_ALL3, "C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestier/IF_R_Outputs/data_sp_BEL_A
LL3.xlsx")

## Alnyus
temp1 <- data_spW_FULLL[,c("ID_pl", "pcGHA_Alnus")]
temp2 <- data_spF_FULLL[,c("PLOTNR", "pcGHA_Alnus")]
colnames(temp1) <- c("ID_BEL", "pcGHA_Alnus")
colnames(temp2) <- c("ID_BEL", "pcGHA_Alnus")
data_sp_BEL_Alnus <- rbind(temp1, temp2)

## Betula
temp1 <- data_spW_FULLL[,c("ID_pl", "pcGHA_Betula")]
temp2 <- data_spF_FULLL[,c("PLOTNR", "pcGHA_Betula")]
colnames(temp1) <- c("ID_BEL", "pcGHA_Betula")
colnames(temp2) <- c("ID_BEL", "pcGHA_Betula")
data_sp_BEL_Betula <- rbind(temp1, temp2)

## Corylus
temp1 <- data_spW_FULLL[,c("ID_pl", "pcGHA_Corylus")]
temp2 <- data_spF_FULLL[,c("PLOTNR", "pcGHA_Corylus")]
colnames(temp1) <- c("ID_BEL", "pcGHA_Corylus")
colnames(temp2) <- c("ID_BEL", "pcGHA_Corylus")
data_sp_BEL_Corylus <- rbind(temp1, temp2)

## SUMMARY TABLE ##

summary(data_sp_BEL_FULLL)
table(data_sp_BEL_FULLL$Region)

temp <- data_sp_BEL_FULLL[!data_sp_BEL_FULLL$pcGHA_ALL3==0,]
summary(temp)

mean(temp$pcGHA_ALL3)
mean(temp$pcGHA_ALL3)
mean(temp$pcGHA_ALL3)
mean(temp$pcGHA_ALL3)

temp_melt <- melt(temp, id = c("ID_BEL", "Region"))
table_sp_BEL_FULLL <- cast(temp_melt, Region ~ variable, mean)
table_sp_BEL_FULLL

table_sp_BEL_FULLL <- cast(temp_melt, ~ variable, mean)

##### PLOTTING #####

## Violin plot
# With Alnus, Betula, Corylus, and ALL3

temp1 <- data.frame(data_sp_BEL_Alnus$pcGHA_Alnus)
temp1$tree <- c("Alnus")
colnames(temp1)[colnames(temp1) == "data_sp_BEL_Alnus.pcGHA_Alnus"] <- "pcgcha"
temp1 <- temp1[!(temp1$pcgcha==0), ]

temp2 <- data.frame(data_sp_BEL_Betula$pcGHA_Betula)
temp2$tree <- "Betula"
colnames(temp2)[colnames(temp2) == "data_sp_BEL_Betula.pcGHA_Betula"] <-
"pcgcha"
temp2 <- temp2[!(temp2$pcgcha==0), ]

temp3 <- data.frame(data_sp_BEL_Corylus$pcGHA_Corylus)
temp3$tree <- "Corylus"
colnames(temp3)[colnames(temp3) == "data_sp_BEL_Corylus.pcGHA_Corylus"] <-
"pcgcha"
temp3 <- temp3[!(temp3$pcgcha==0), ]

temp4 <- data.frame(data_sp_BEL_ALL3$pcGHA_ALL3)
temp4$tree <- "All"
colnames(temp4)[colnames(temp4) == "data_sp_BEL_ALL3.pcGHA_ALL3"] <- "pcgcha"
temp4 <- temp4[!(temp4$pcgcha==0), ]

mean(temp1$pcgcha)
mean(temp2$pcgcha)
mean(temp3$pcgcha)
mean(temp4$pcgcha)

temp_plot <- rbind(temp4, temp1, temp2, temp3)

temp_plot$tree <- factor(temp_plot$tree, levels=c("Alnus", "Betula", "Corylus",
"All"))

colour_type <- c(Alnus = "grey90",
Betula = "grey80",
Corylus = "grey70",
All = "black")

mygraph <- ggplot(temp_plot, aes(x=tree, y=pcgcha)) +
  geom_violin(aes(fill = factor(tree)), scale = "area") +
  stat_summary(fun.y=median, geom="point", size=2, color="red") +
  # geom_boxplot(width=0.05) +
  scale_fill_manual(values= colour_type, name="Tree type") +
  scale_y_continuous(breaks=seq(0, 100, 20)) +
  guides(fill=guide_legend(reverse=FALSE)) +
  theme_minimal()

print(mygraph)
ggsave(mygraph, file="data_sp_BEL_Violing-Plot.tiff",
path="C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401

```

```

RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestier/IF_R_Outputs/", width=6,
height=5, dpi=250)

##### MAPPING #####

# import shp
shp <- readOGR(dsn="C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestier", layer="IF_BEL_Plots_ID",
stringsAsFactors=FALSE, encoding="UTF-8")

# a) ALL
shp_data_sp_BEL_ALL3 <- shp
#colnames(data_sp_BEL_ALL3)[colnames(data_sp_BEL_ALL3) == "IDPlots"] <-
"ID_BEL" # Renaming the variable describing plots' IDs to match with the
shapefile
shp_data_sp_BEL_ALL3@data <- join(shp_data_sp_BEL_ALL3@data, data_sp_BEL_ALL3,
by = "ID_BEL", type = "left")

writeOGR(shp_data_sp_BEL_ALL3, "C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestier/IF_R_Outputs",
"data_sp_BEL_pcGHA_ALL3", driver="ESRI Shapefile", layer_options= c(encoding=
"UTF-8"), overwrite_layer=T)

# b) Alnus
shp_data_sp_BEL_Alnus <- shp
shp_data_sp_BEL_Alnus@data <- join(shp_data_sp_BEL_Alnus@data,
data_sp_BEL_Alnus, by = "ID_BEL", type = "left")

writeOGR(shp_data_sp_BEL_Alnus, "C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestier/IF_R_Outputs",
"data_sp_BEL_pcGHA_Alnus", driver="ESRI Shapefile", layer_options= c(encoding=
"UTF-8"), overwrite_layer=T)

# c) Betula
shp_data_sp_BEL_Betula <- shp
shp_data_sp_BEL_Betula@data <- join(shp_data_sp_BEL_Betula@data,
data_sp_BEL_Betula, by = "ID_BEL", type = "left")

writeOGR(shp_data_sp_BEL_Betula, "C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestier/IF_R_Outputs",
"data_sp_BEL_pcGHA_Betula", driver="ESRI Shapefile", layer_options= c(encoding=
"UTF-8"), overwrite_layer=T)

# d) Corylus
shp_data_sp_BEL_Corylus <- shp
shp_data_sp_BEL_Corylus@data <- join(shp_data_sp_BEL_Corylus@data,
data_sp_BEL_Corylus, by = "ID_BEL", type = "left")

writeOGR(shp_data_sp_BEL_Corylus, "C:/Users/dujardis/Documents UNamur/20160401
RespirIT/3_ANALYSIS/Traitements_InventaireForestier/IF_R_Outputs",
"data_sp_BEL_pcGHA_Corylus", driver="ESRI Shapefile", layer_options=
c(encoding= "UTF-8"), overwrite_layer=T)

```