Supplementary Materials: Effects of reforestation and site preparation methods on early growth and survival of Scots pine (*Pinus sylvestris* L.) in south-eastern Poland

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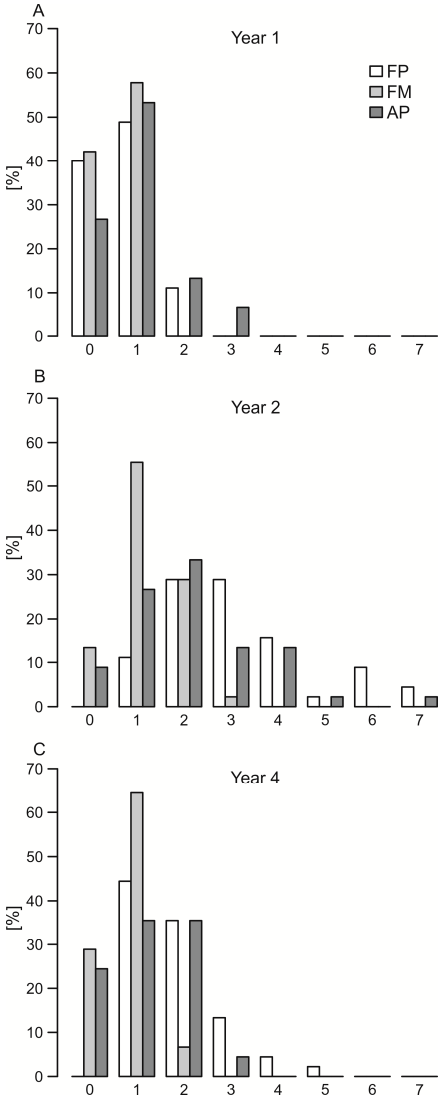

Figure S1. Evenness of seedling density (%) for Scots pine after natural regeneration in relation to mechanical site preparation methods (forest plough [FP]; forest mill [FM]; active plough [AP]) after the first year (A), the second year (B) and the fourth year (C). Seedling density classes: 0 = 'zero plots' (no seedlings); 1 = 1–4 seedlings; 2 = 5–8 seedlings; … 7 = >25 seedlings.

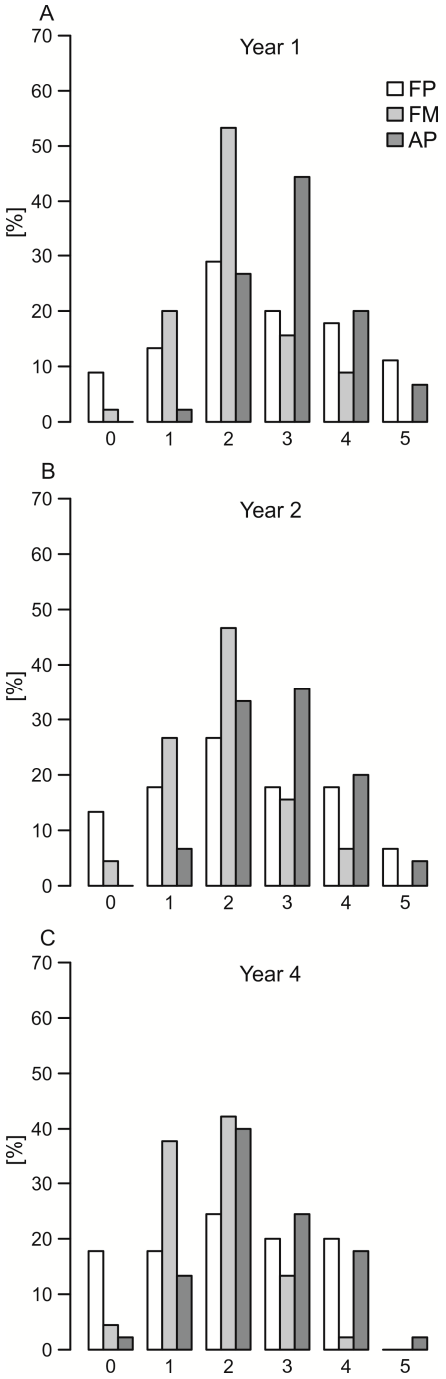

Figure S2. Evenness of seedling density (%) for Scots pine after direct seeding in relation to mechanical site preparation methods (forest plough [FP]; forest mill [FM]; active plough [AP]) after the first year (A), the second year (B) and the fourth year (C). Seedling density classes: 0 = 'zero plots' (no seedlings); 1 = 1–4 seedlings; 2 = 5–8 seedlings; … 5 = 17–20 seedlings.

Table S1. Results of 2-way ANOVAs describing the statistical significance of the effect of reforestation and of mechanical site preparation (MSP) methods on height, root collar diameter and density (natural regeneration, excluding self-sown seedlings that germinated in the second year) of Scots pine seedlings after four growing seasons. Bold values indicate significant differences at the level $p \leq 0.05$

Variable	Source of variation		First season		Second season		Third season		Fourth season	
		df	*F*	*p*	*F*	*p*	*F*	*p*	*F*	*p*
Seedling height	Block	8	1.23	0.2976	0.62	0.7586	1.30	0.2594	1.36	0.2330
	Reforestation method (R)	2	588.17	**<0.0001**	285.65	**<0.0001**	115.90	**<0.0001**	97.15	**<0.0001**
	MSP method (M)	2	3.27	**0.0446**	8.07	**0.0008**	5.54	**0.0061**	1.29	0.2818
	R × M	4	2.50	0.0511	2.02	0.1034	1.39	0.2479	1.25	0.2979
Root collar	Block	8	1.97	0.0643	1.71	0.1131	1.24	0.2917	1.60	0.1436
diameter	Reforestation method (R)	2	311.91	**<0.0001**	20.47	**<0.0001**	42.69	**<0.0001**	52.85	**<0.0001**
	MSP method (M)	2	8.34	**0.0006**	4.18	**0.0198**	2.63	0.0804	0.63	0.5356
	R × M	4	0.90	0.4700	1.02	0.4013	0.64	0.6370	0.41	0.8008
Seedling density	Block	8	2.35	0.0280	2.52	0.0190	2.69	0.0130	2.73	0.0118
	Reforestation method (R)	2	131.03	**<0.0001**	109.08	**<0.0001**	103.17	**<0.0001**	88.68	**<0.0001**
	MSP method (M)	2	6.35	**0.0031**	5.49	**0.0063**	5.15	**0.0084**	4.53	**0.0144**
	R × M	4	2.09	0.0920	1.88	0.1245	1.91	0.1201	1.75	0.1507

Table S2. Regression equations describing the relationships between height increments and height and between root collar diameter increments and root collar diameter of Scots pine seedlings

Year	Function	r	R^2	p
2008–2009	CAI_{rcd} = 2.366+ 0.413*rcd	0.210	0.044	<0.001
2008–2009	CAI_h = 5.289 + 0.737*h	0.455	0.207	<0.001
2009–2010	CAI_{rcd} = 1.657+ 1.104* rcd	0.517	0.267	<0.001
2009–2010	CAI_h = 13.174 + 0.705*h	0.462	0.213	<0.001
2010–2011	CAI_{rcd} = –0.845+ 0.439*rcd	0.516	0.266	<0.001
2010–2011	CAI_h = –1.129+ 0.516*h	0.538	0.289	<0.001

CAI_{rcd} = current annual increment of root collar diameter; CAI_h = current annual increment of tree height; r = coefficient of correlation; R^2 = coefficient of determination; p = probability.