



# Scots Pine regeneration in Southern Sweden



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# Scots Pine

### Economy

 28, 8 % of the total standing volume in Götaland ;

(SLU, Skogsdata 2017)

### **Biodiversity and recreation**

• Harbour 10% of threatened forest species in Sweden.

(Berg et al., 2000)



Map of Sweden, main regions. (Wikimedia)

# Background

#### "Sprucification";



(Frank)





(Wikimedia)

- Loss of Scots pine dependent ecosystems;
- Financial risk (Shortage
  - of pine timber supply).

## Scots Pine regeneration in Götaland

Project "Mera Tall"



Scots pine, share of sold seedlings. Södra Skogsplantor. (Södra Skog, 2017) 🛞

## Recruitment of future crop-trees after the PCT



Results from the elk-browsing inventory (ÄBIN). Share of undamaged crop trees after PCT. (Adapted from Nilsson U, unpubl.)

## Study I. Effects of shelterwood density and scarification on establishment and mortality of naturally regenerated Scots pine seedlings

**Aim:** Evaluate how recruitment patterns are altered by different management activities in naturally regenerated Scots pine stands.

Study II. Survival and development of naturally regenerated, direct seeded and planted Scots pine

Aim: Evaluate the competitiveness of silvicultural options for regeneration in Scots pine stands.

#### Study III. Browsing by roe-deer and moose reduce growth of planted Scots pine seedlings

- Aim: To investigate which are the contributing factors on a landscape level that effects browsing in Scots pine stands;
- Heureka simulations; 
  heureka!



Simulations of browsing damage effect on Scots Pine growth, on two different soil-fertility classes (T24, T28).



Simulations of browsing damage effect on economy in Scots Pine stands, on two different soil-fertility classes (T24, T28).



# Study IV. Modeling early growth of naturally regenerated, direct seeded and planted Scots pine seedlings

- Aim: To compare productivity and profitability of different Scots pine regeneration methods;
- Heureka Simulations. A heureka!



🛞 Planted 🛞 Improved 🛞 Naturally regenerated

Basal area and volume in 2015, 24 vegetation periods after establishment of the experiment.

(Ekö et al., unpubl.)

# A closer look at study I: A short-term project within a long running experiment in Tagel



Trial location. (www.silvaboreal.com)



Experiment design. (Nilsson U, unpubl.)

1:3 000 (Urban Nilsson)









#### Direct seeding (DS) + Natural regeneration(NR)

- White: DS + Scarification
- Red: DS improved planting material + scarification
- Yellow: NR + scarification
- O Blue: NR without scarification







# Thank you for your attention!

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