

# Etat de connaissances autour de la phénologie pour la filière forêt



Le hêtre du Ventoux

# **One man, 73 years, and 25 species. Evaluating phenological responses using a lifelong study of first flowering dates**

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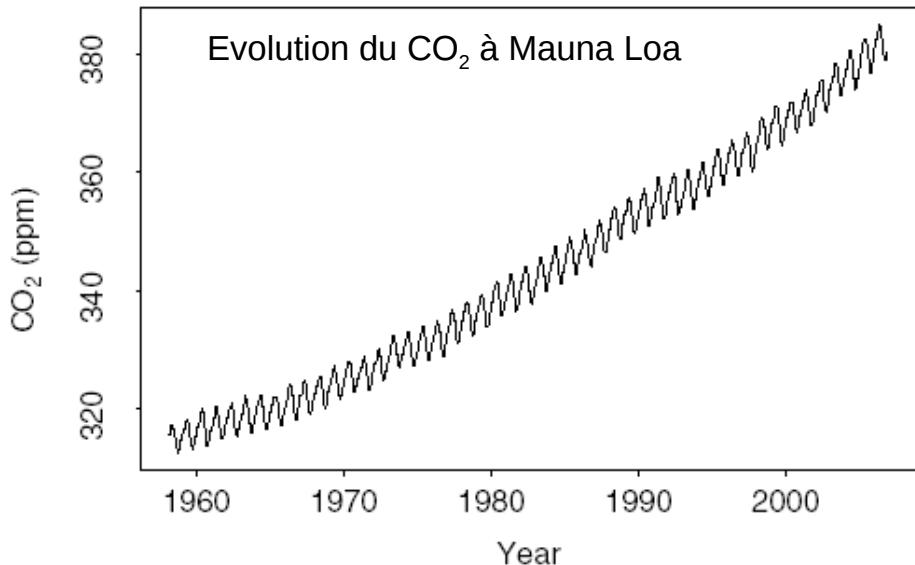
# Importance de la phénologie

Indicateur des changements environnementaux

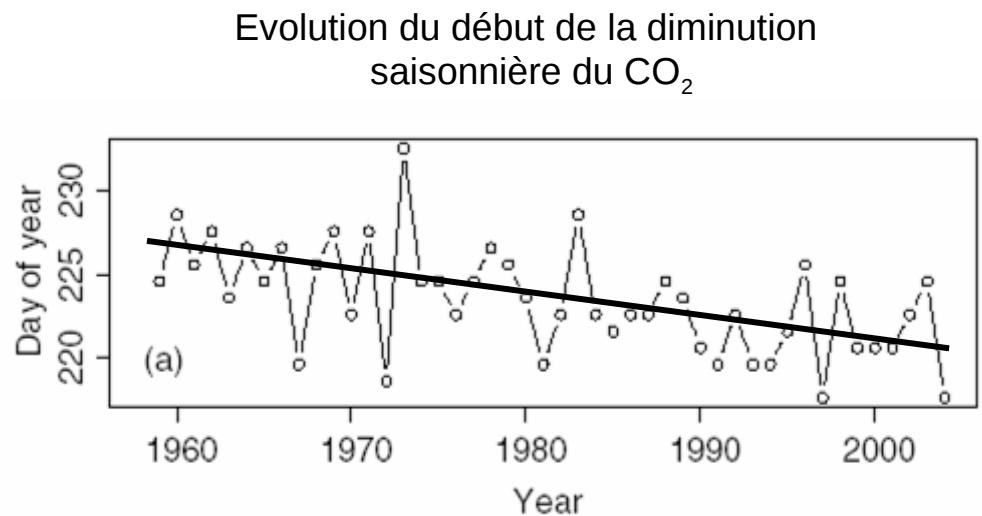
Détermine la saison de croissance et donc la croissance

Elément de la valeur reproductive (fitness)

## Exemple majeur d'indicateur du changement climatique



Keeling et al. 1996

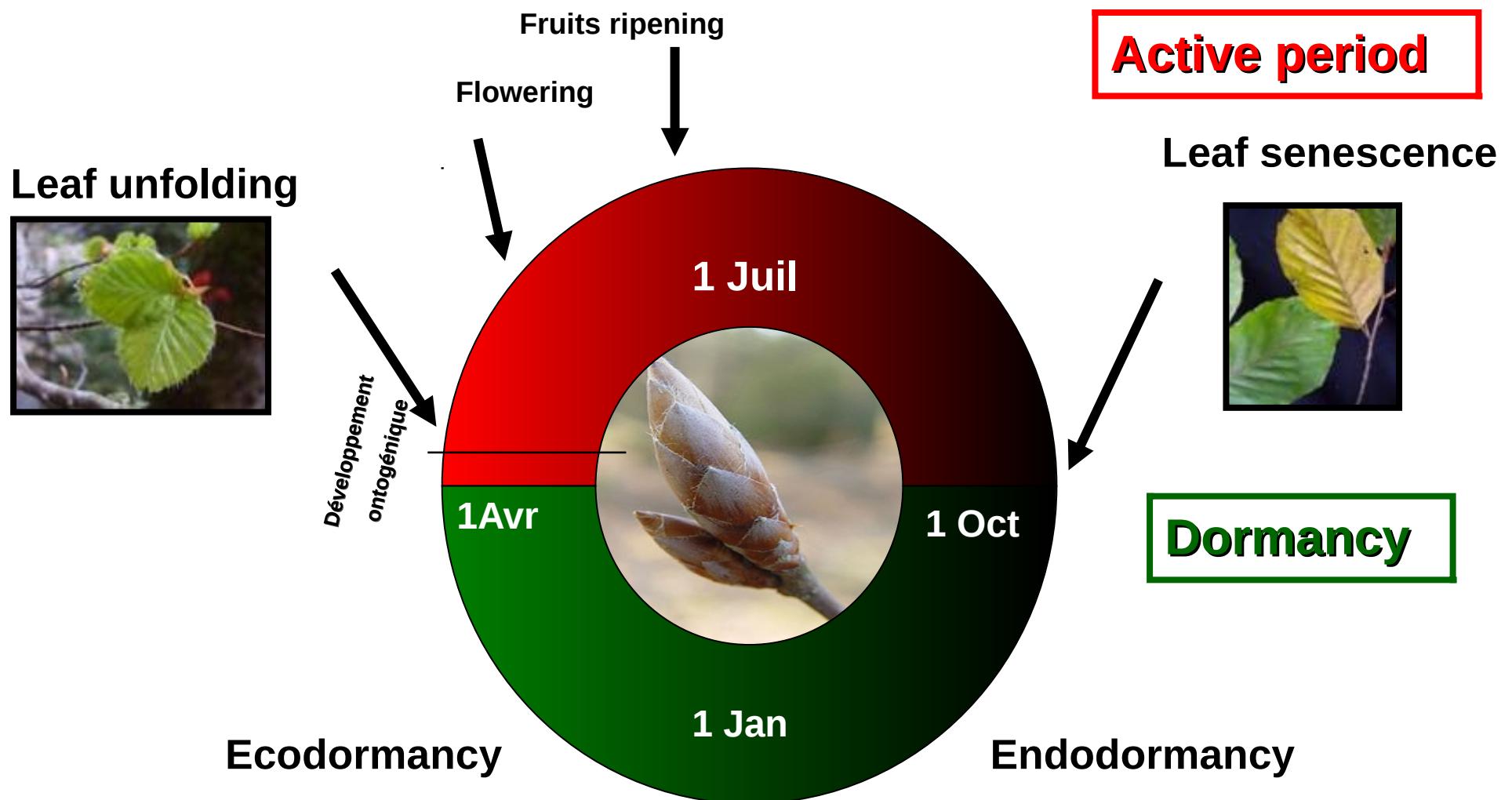


Thompson et al. 2008

# Tree phenology ?

## Annual cycle of trees from temperate climate

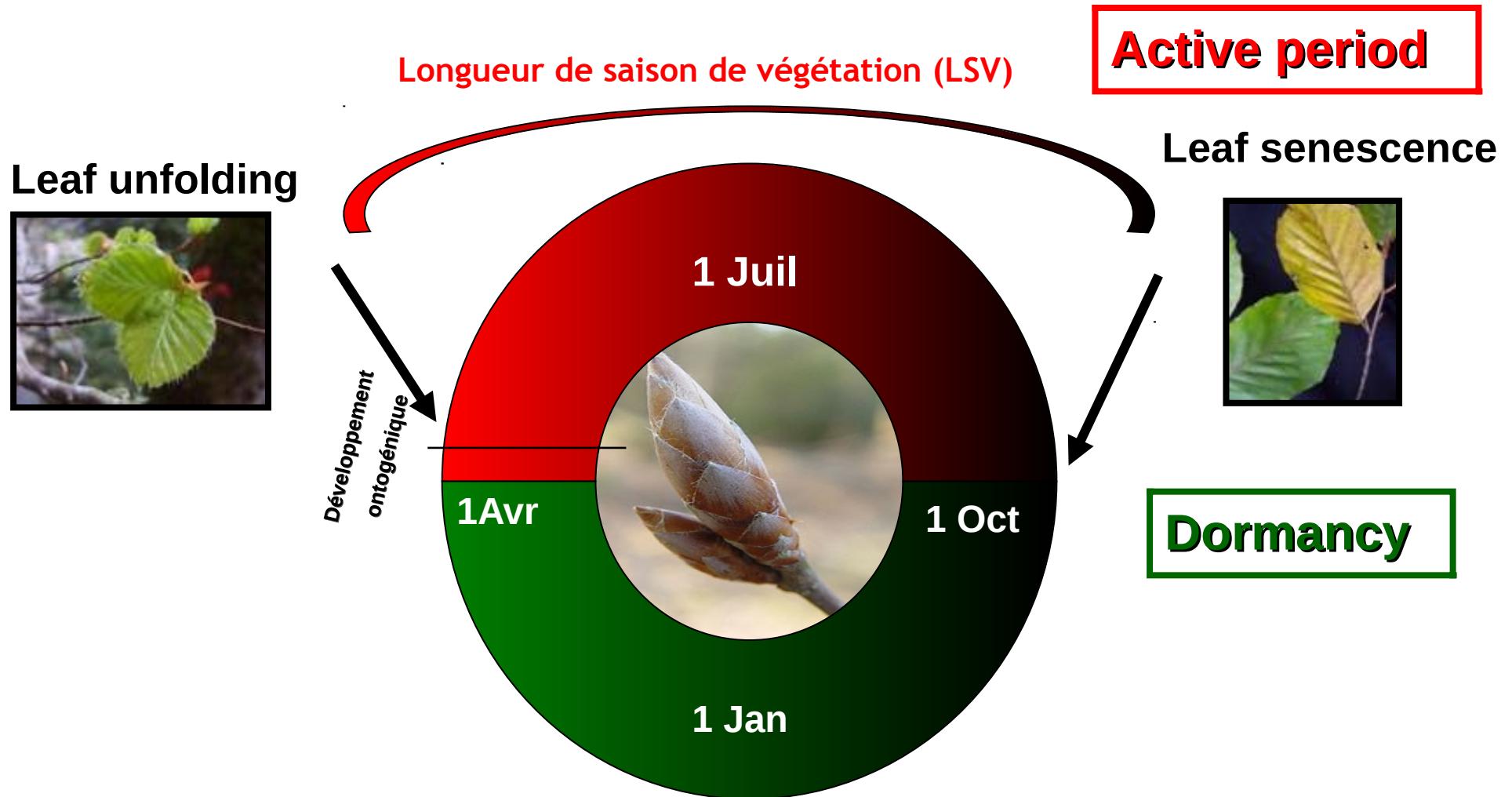
Example of beech



# 1. La phénologie ?

## Annual cycle of trees from temperate climate

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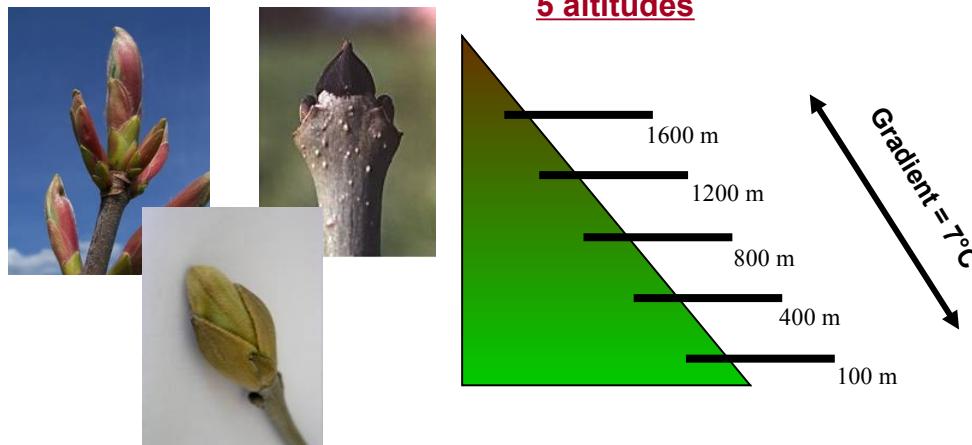
→ Un allongement de la LSV augmente la GPP

# DESIGNS

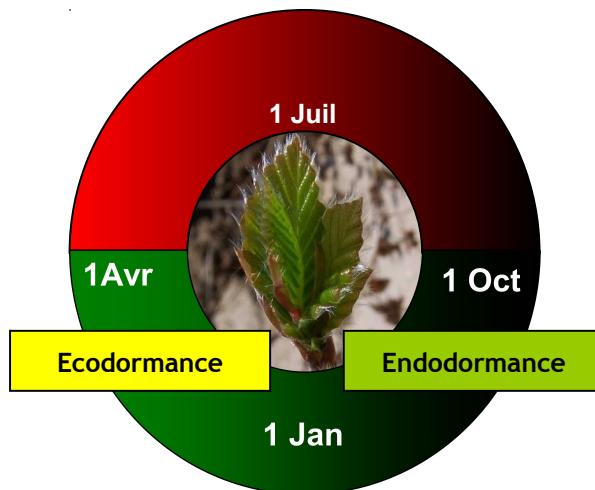
## Phenotypic variability

*Altitudinal gradient*

### 1. Altitudinal and latitudinal gradients



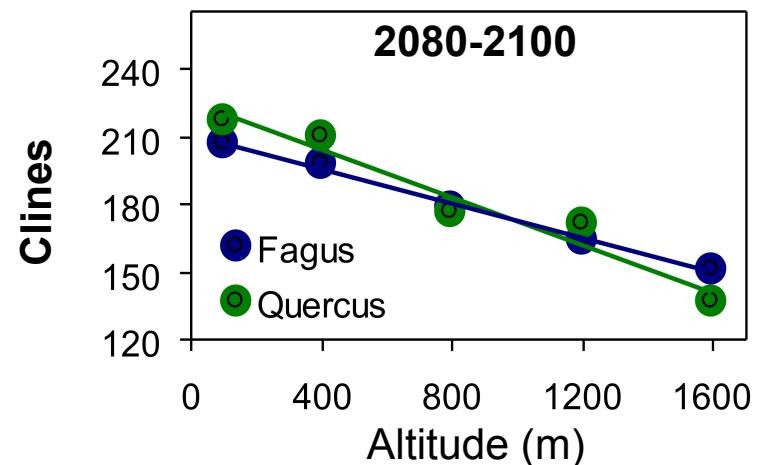
### 2. Dormancy release



## Determinism

*Common gardens*

### 3. Genetic diversity



### 4. Phenotypic plasticity



# DESIGNS

## **Phenotypic variability**

### *Altitudinal gradient*

#### **1. Altitudinal and latitudinal gradients**

Leaf unfolding (or bud burst)

Leaf senescence

Growing season length

Growth

Mildew: Timing of spore release

Reproduction: acorn production

Ventoux – Pyrénées – Alpes

Renecofor – réseau européen

#### **2. Dormancy release**

Chilling requirement

Transfer experiment

Avoidance of late frost

## **Determinism**

### *Common gardens*

#### **3. Genetic diversity**

Leaf unfolding (or bud burst)

Leaf senescence

Growing season length

Growth

Differentiation between pop

Genetic variation within pop

Heritability

#### **4. Phenotypic plasticity**

Leaf unfolding (or bud burst)

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Growing season length

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## **Long-term monitoring**

Fagus, Quercus, Abies, Acer, Fraxinus, Larix, Populus, Cornus, Liriodendron,  
Picea, Pinus

# Altitudinal gradient

2 altitudinal transects (valley)

5 altitudes

6 species

41 populations

Pyrénées

Ventoux

North facing slope

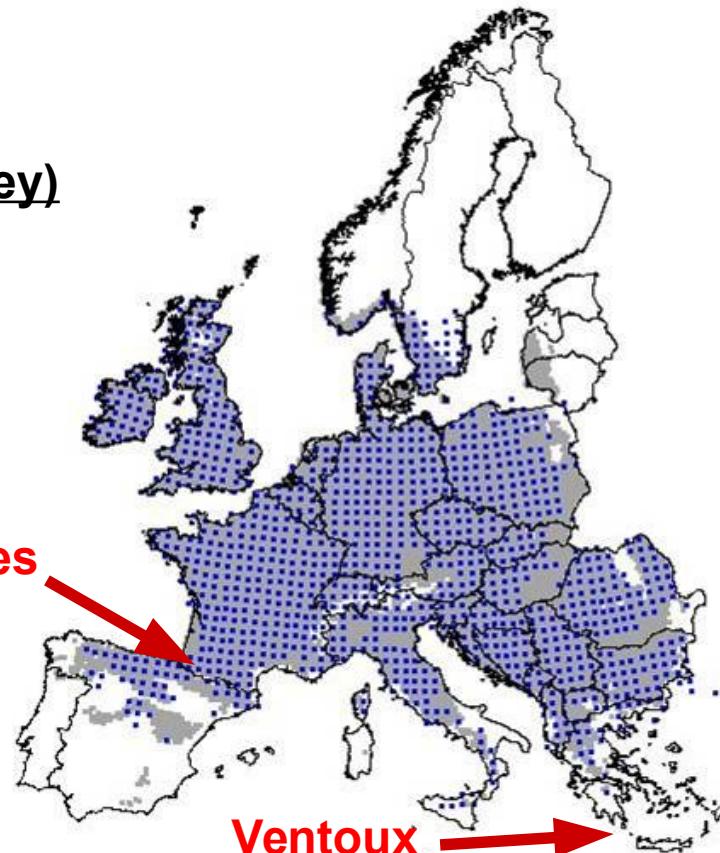
1600 m

1200 m

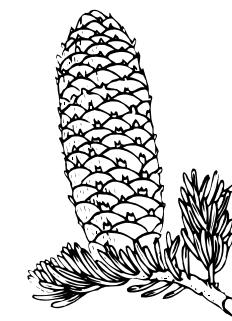
800 m

400 m

100 m



# Tree Species



*Abies alba*



*Acer pseudoplatanus*



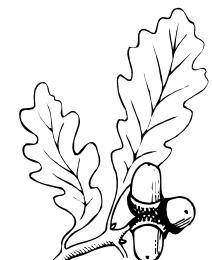
*Ilex aquifolium*



*Fraxinus excelsior*



*Fagus sylvatica*



*Quercus petraea*

# Monitoring of leaf phenology during 7 years in the Pyrénées and Ventoux

## Leaf unfolding

**Stade 0 :**  
Bourgeon fermé.



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FF = fleurs fermées  
FO = Fleurs ouvertes,  
bourgeon fermé.



**Stade 1 :**  
Bourgeons gonflés et  
allongés.



**Stade 2 :**  
Explosion du bourgeon,  
début de l'expansion des  
feuilles



**Stade 3 :**  
Feuilles sorties  
et épanouies,



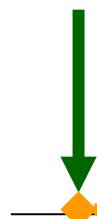
## Leaf senescence



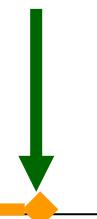
*Leaf colouring*

*Leaf fall*

Leaf unfolding date



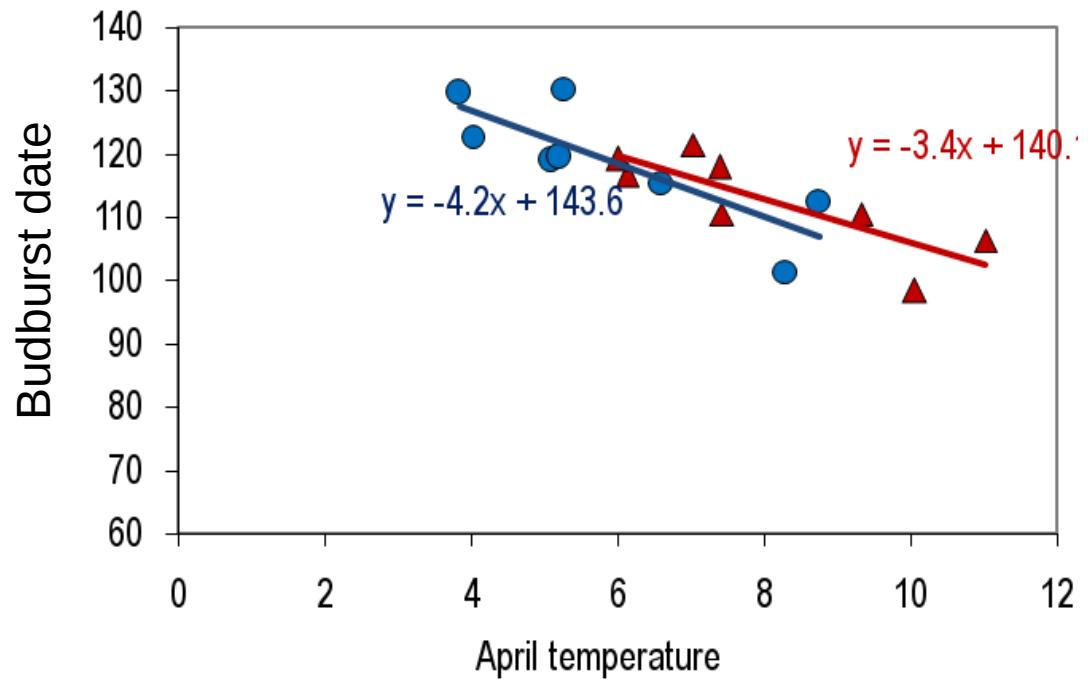
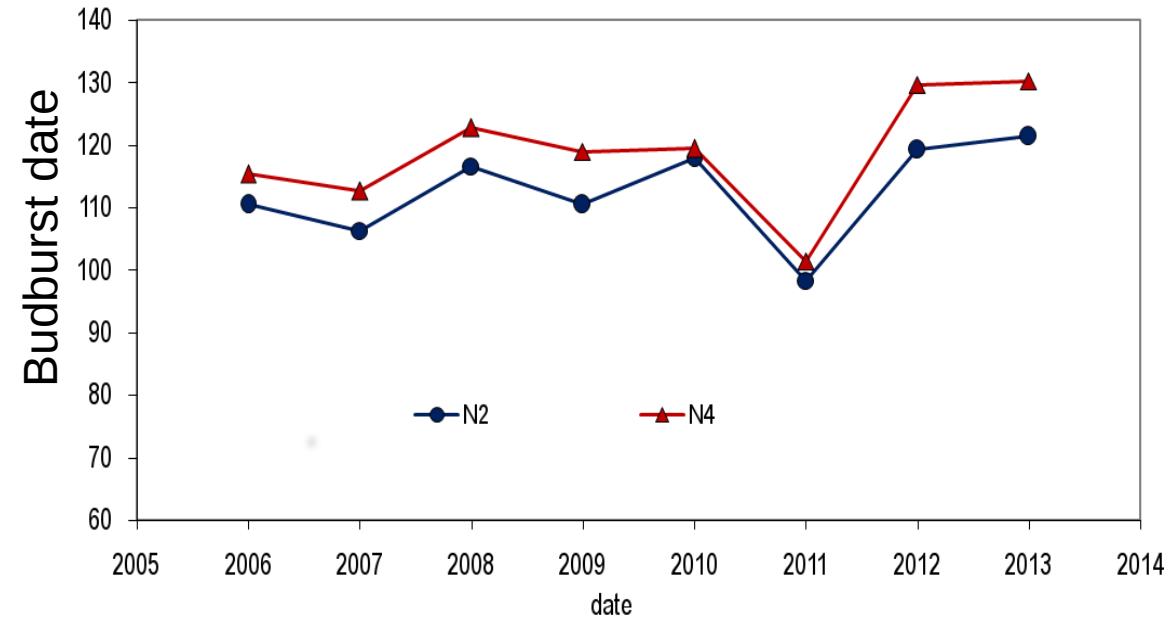
Leaf senescence date



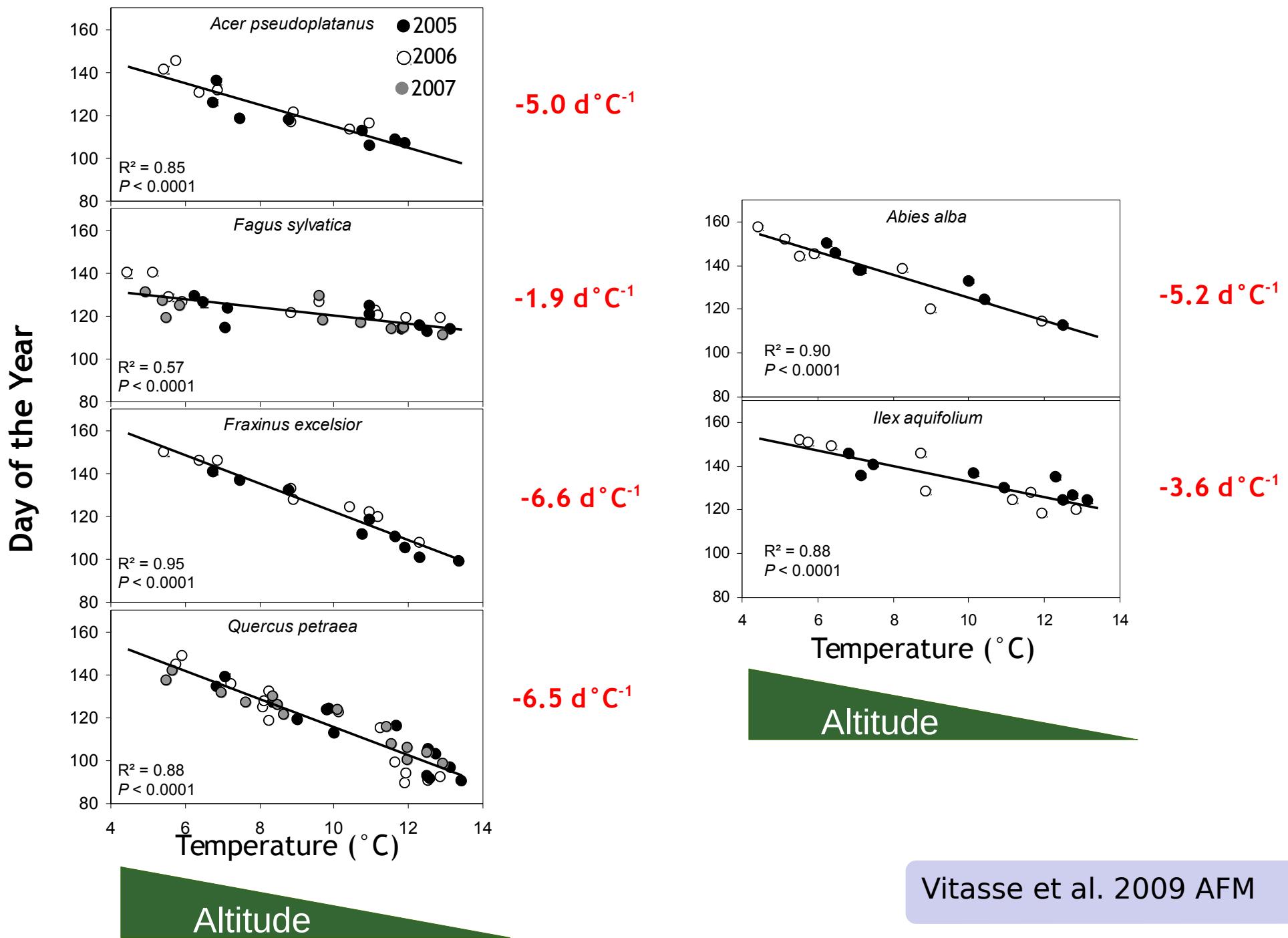
## Growing season length

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# Phenology of beech in the Ventoux

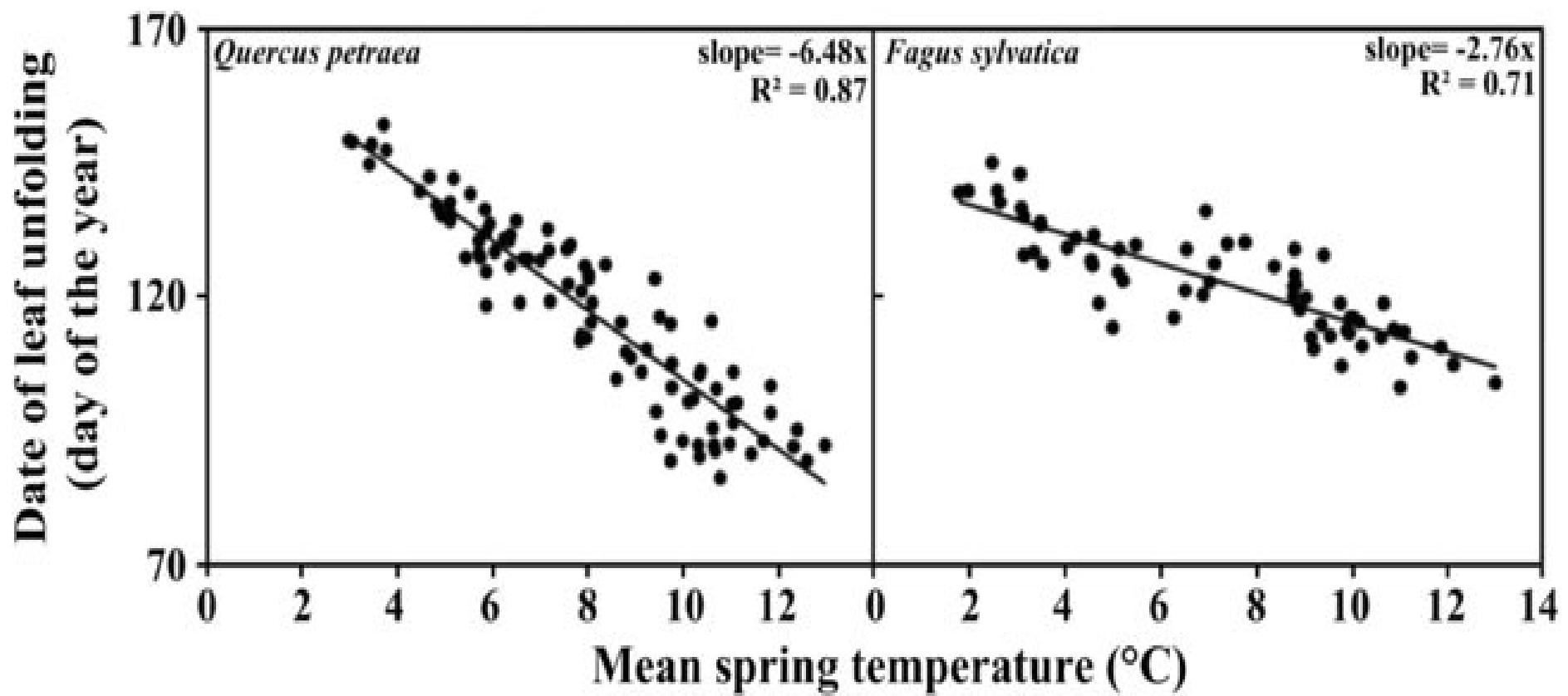


# Phenological sensitivity to temperature

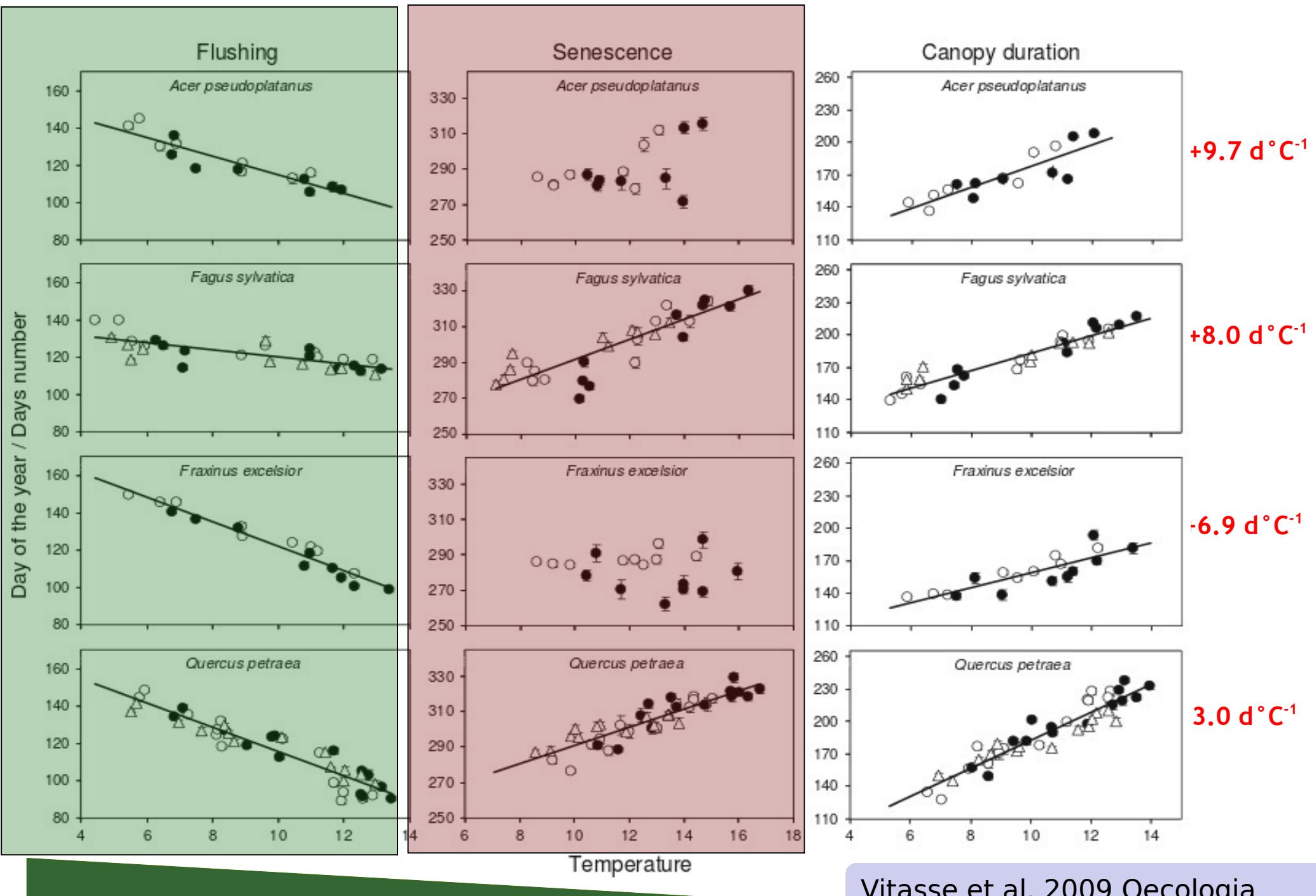


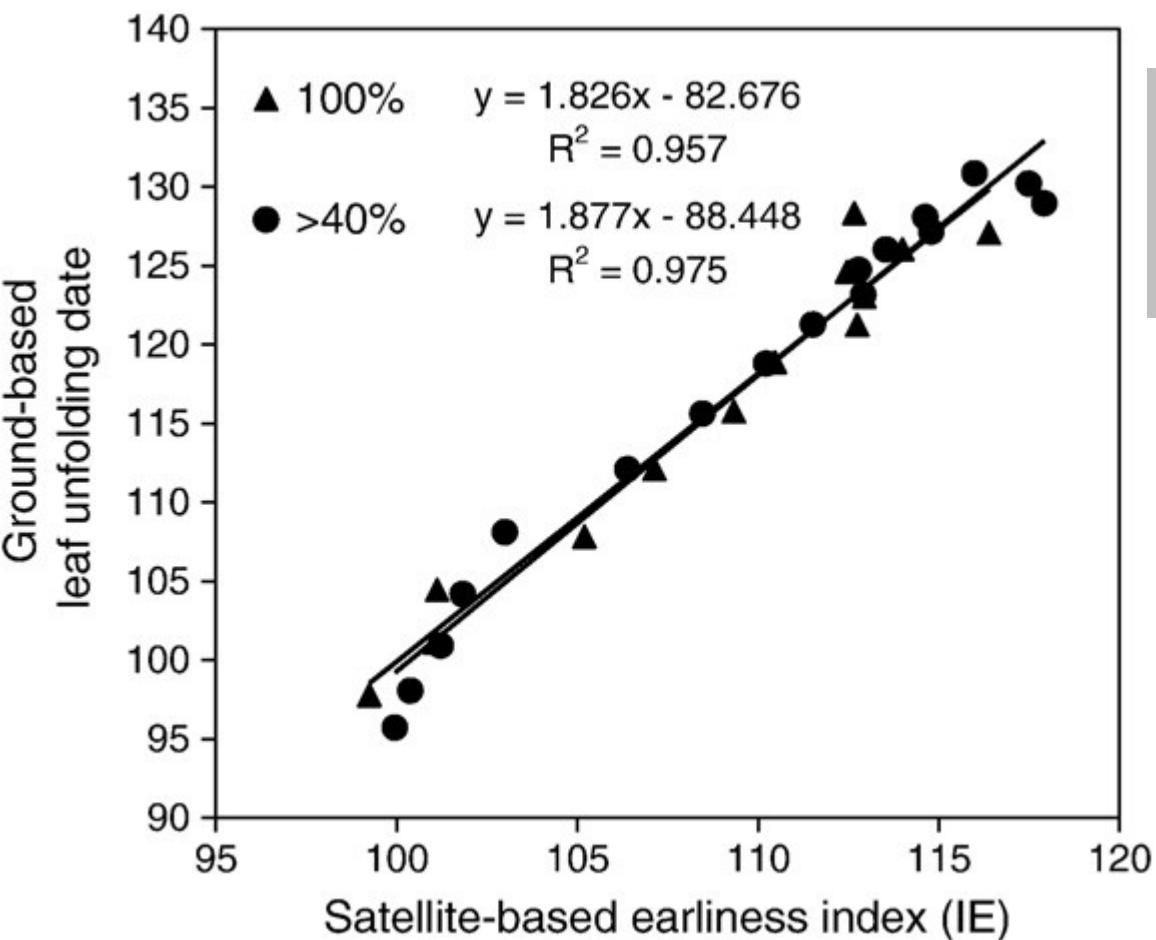
# Phenological sensitivity to temperature

7 years of phenological monitoring in 10 populations per species



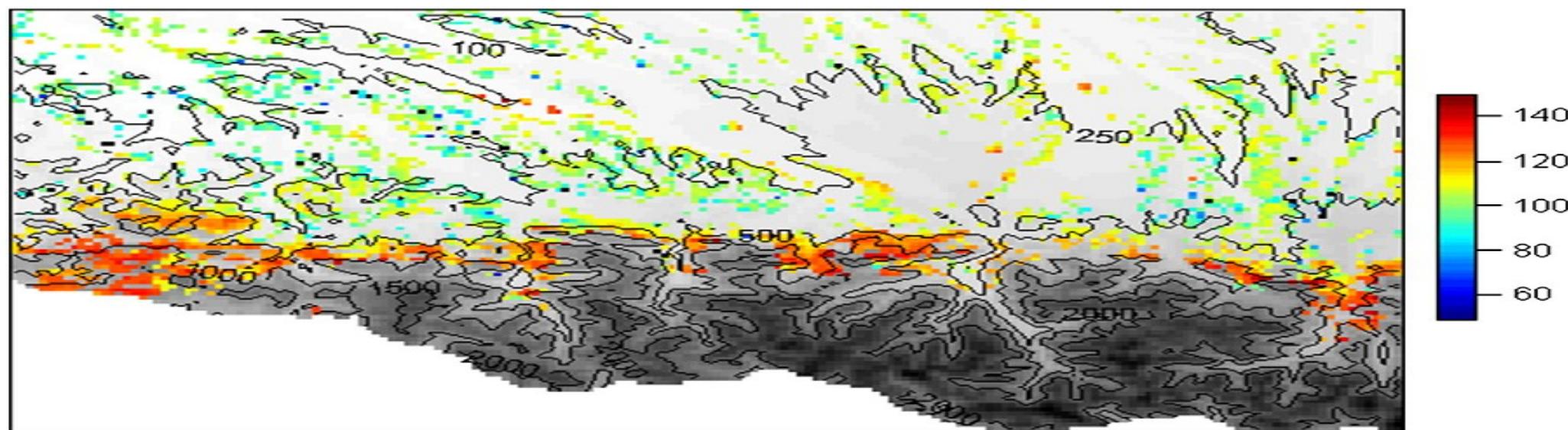
# Phenological sensitivity: Canopy duration





# Satellite-based observations

Guyon et al. 2011 RSE

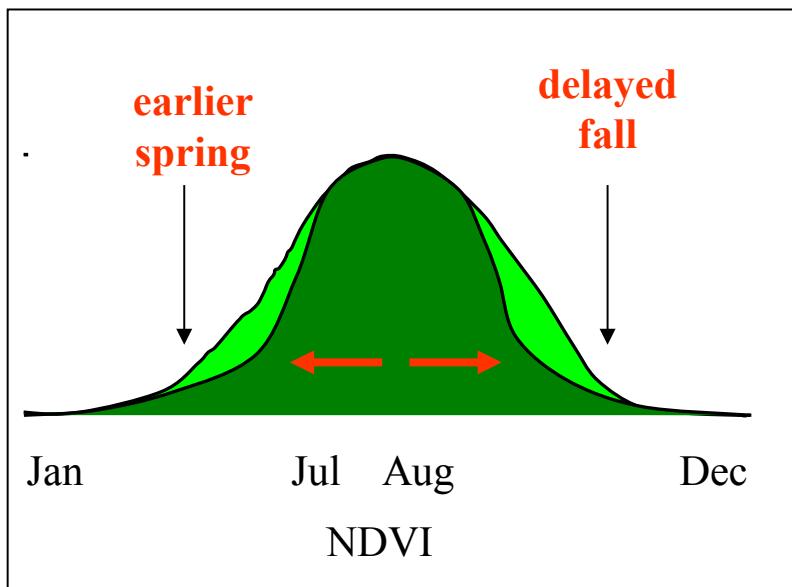


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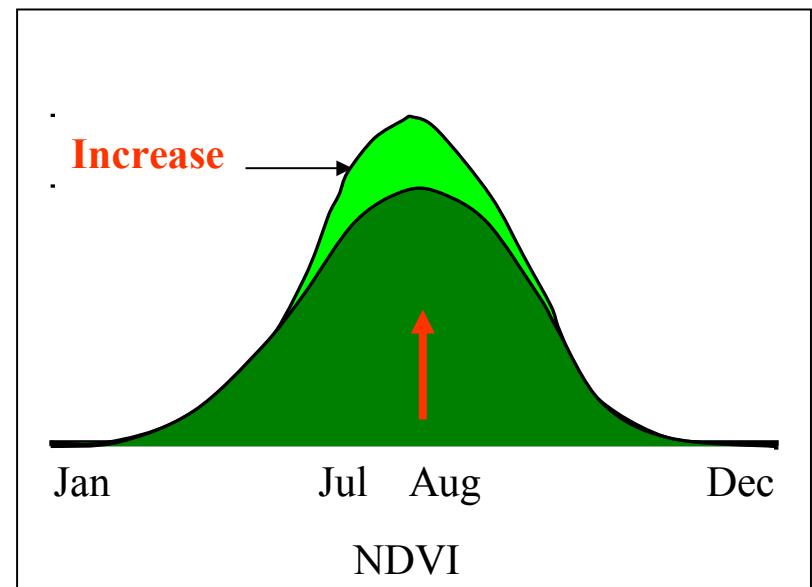
➤ Changes in vegetation activity can be characterized through

1. Changes in growing season
2. Changes in seasonal NDVI or PVI magnitude (Guyon et al 2011)

Increases in growing season



Increases in NDVI magnitude



Zhou et al. 2000

# Genetic variations

$$VP = VG + VE + VGxE$$

## *Low altitude common garden*

Total  $\approx 1500$  plants (1 ha)



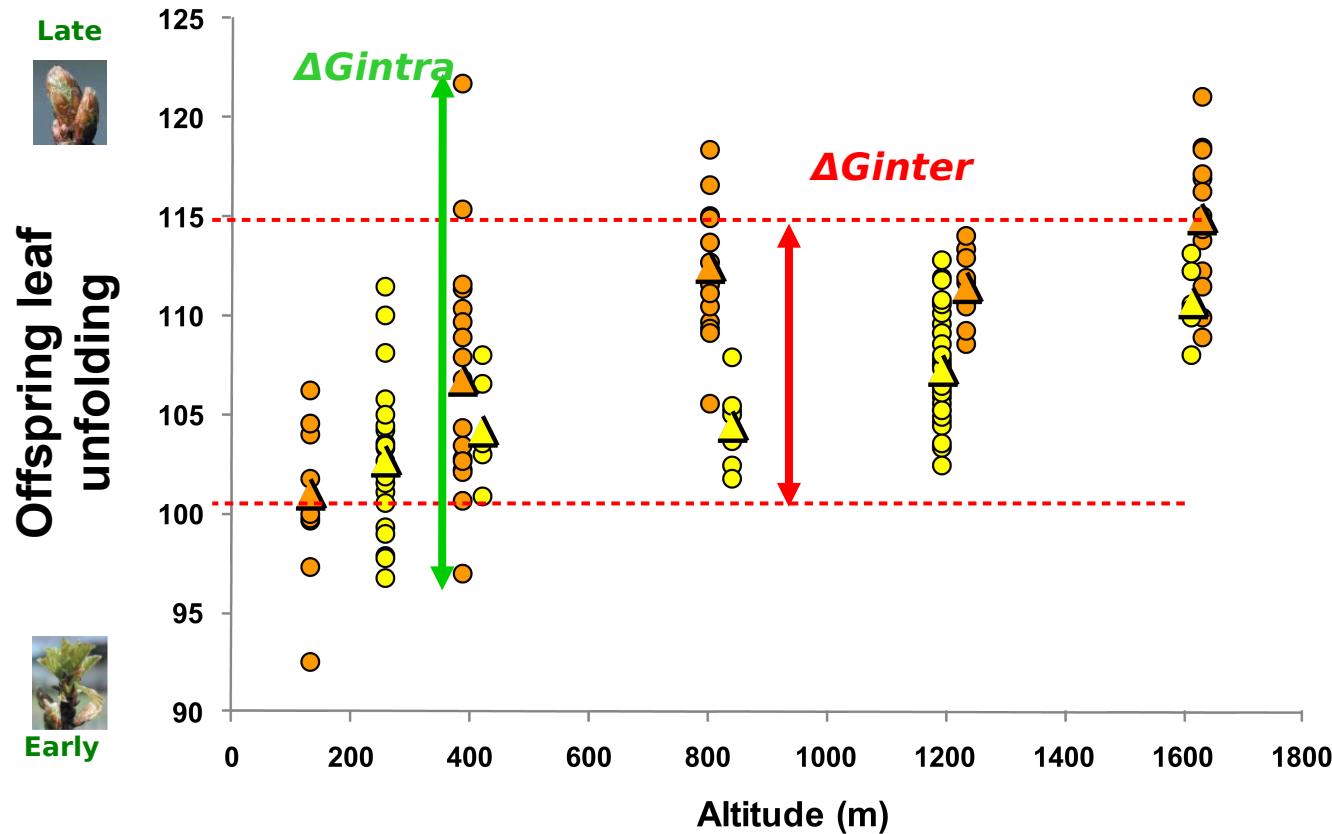
### Measurements

1. Growth
2. Leaf unfolding
3. Senescence



# High within-population genetic differentiation

## Leaf unfolding of sessile oak populations



Vitasse et al. 2009 CJFR

Alberto et al. 2011 JEB

- Within-population variations are as large as the between-population variations, that is be a valuable resource for future adaptation of sessile oak populations

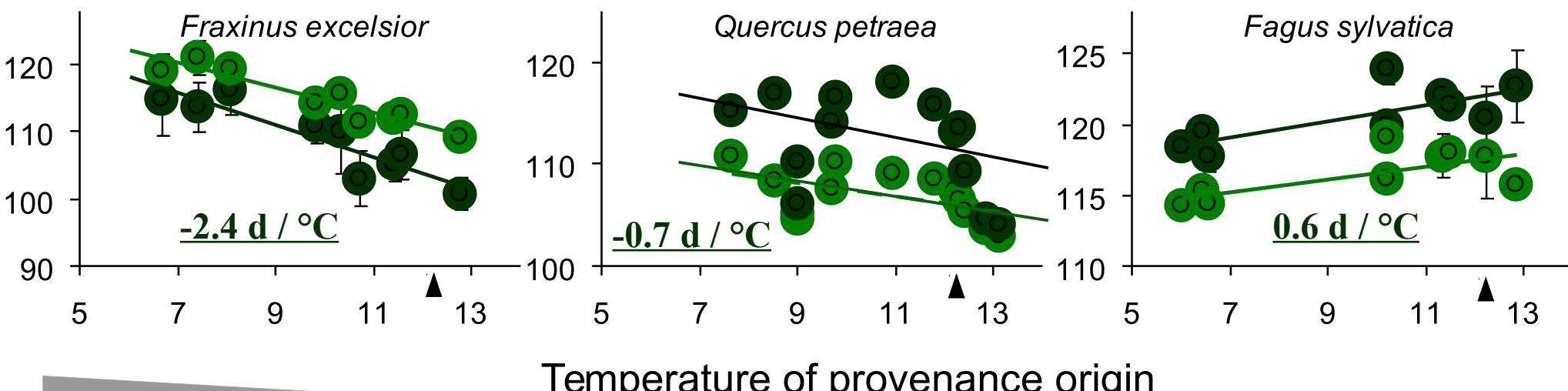
# Genetic variations: clines in common garden

between-population differentiations

$$VP = VG + VE + V(GxE)$$

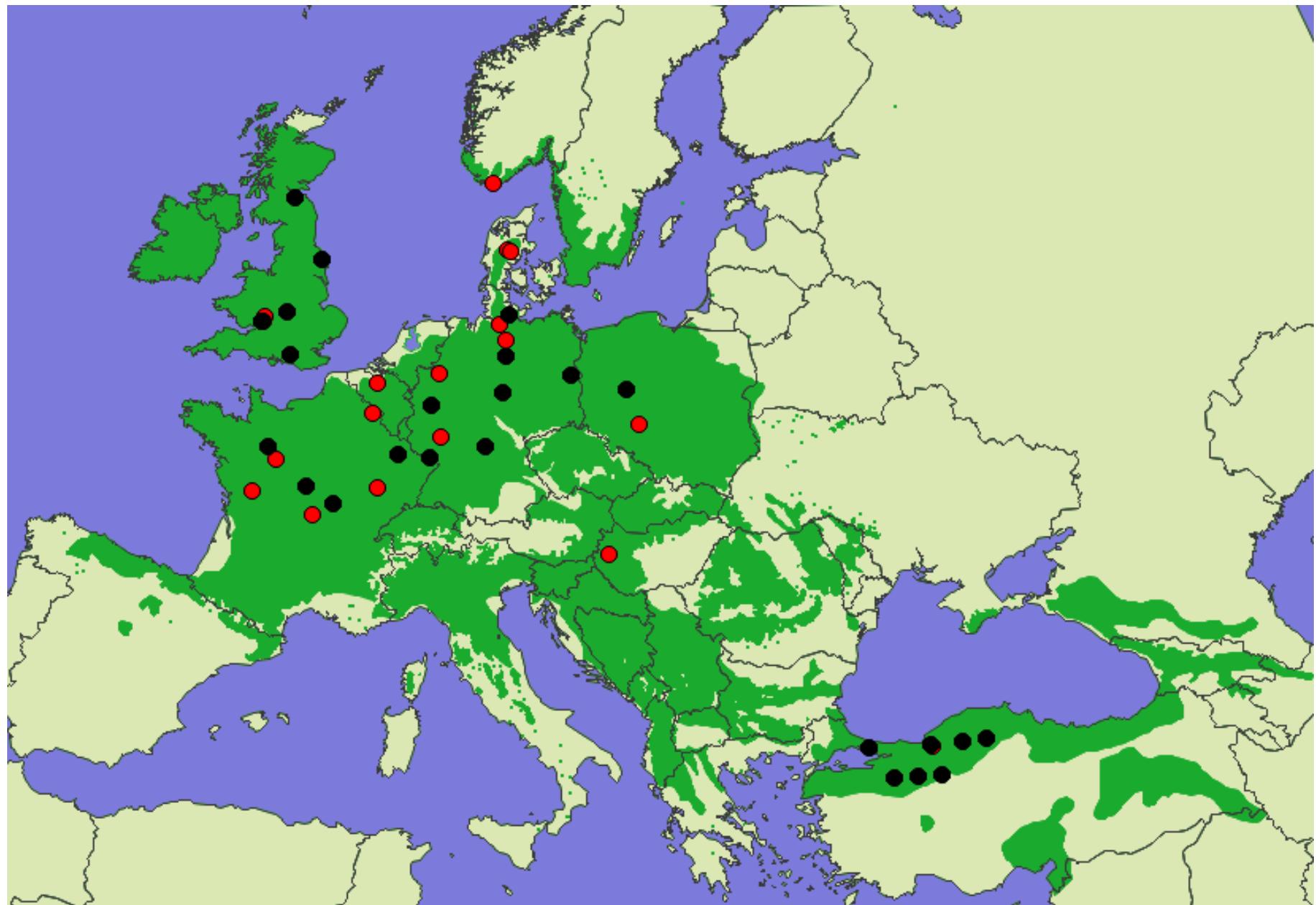
## Leaf unfolding

● 2008  
● 2007



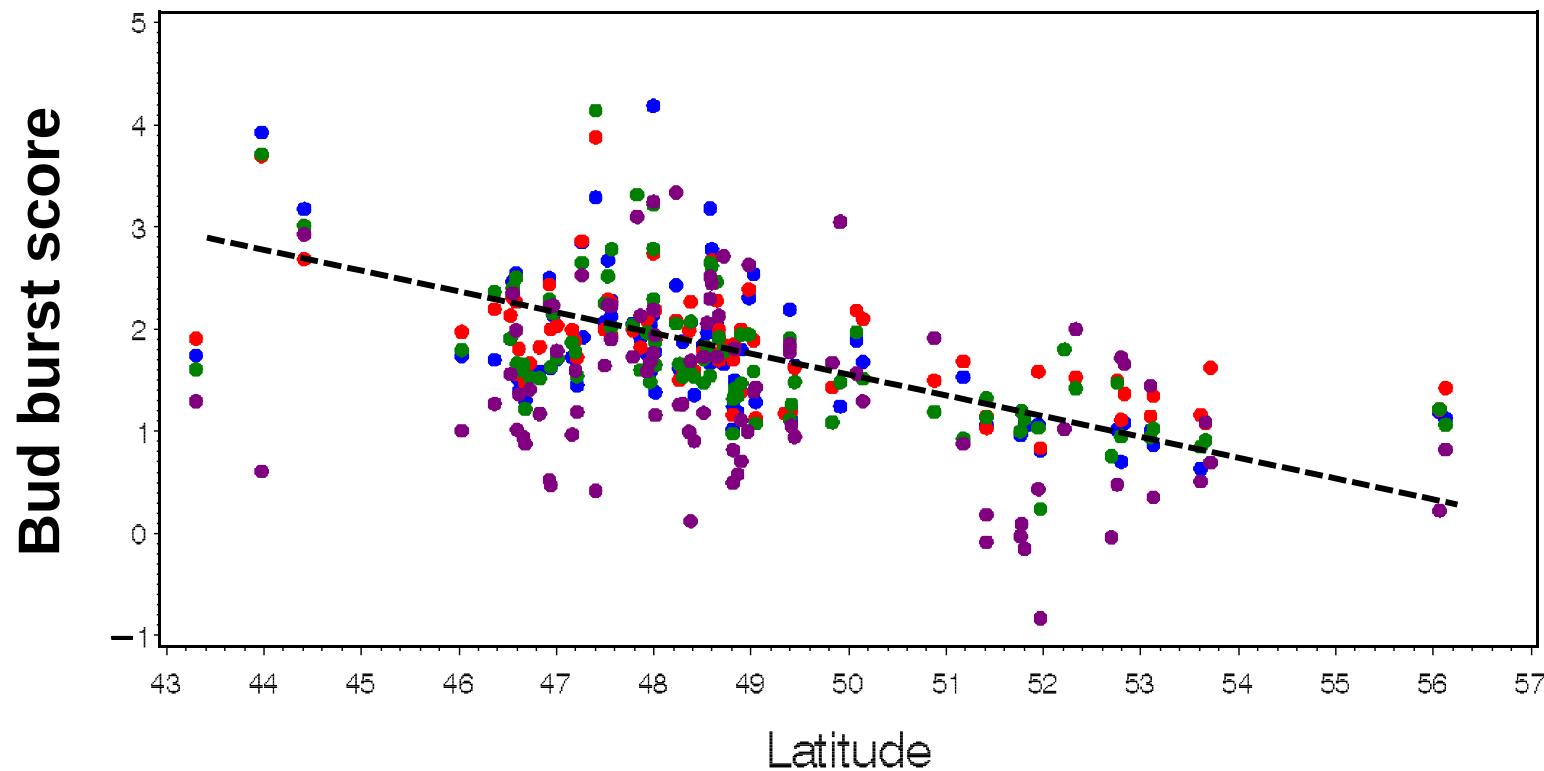
Opposite clines between oak/beech

Co- and counter-gradients



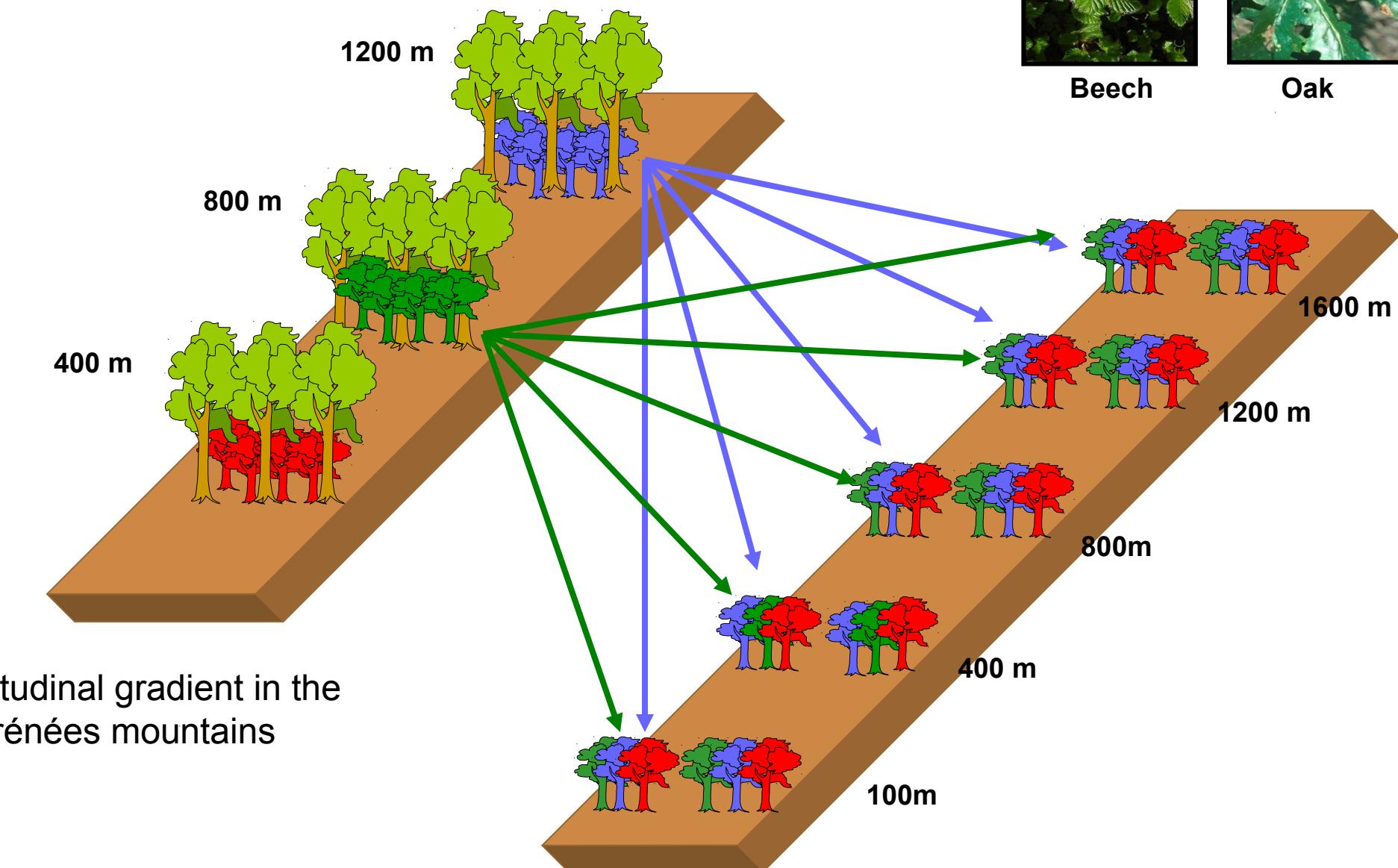
# DIACHRONIC APPROACHES: Clines along latitudinal gradients

**Relationship between bud burst and latitude of oak provenance origin**



# Phenotypic plasticity

## Reciprocal Transplants Experiments (RTE)

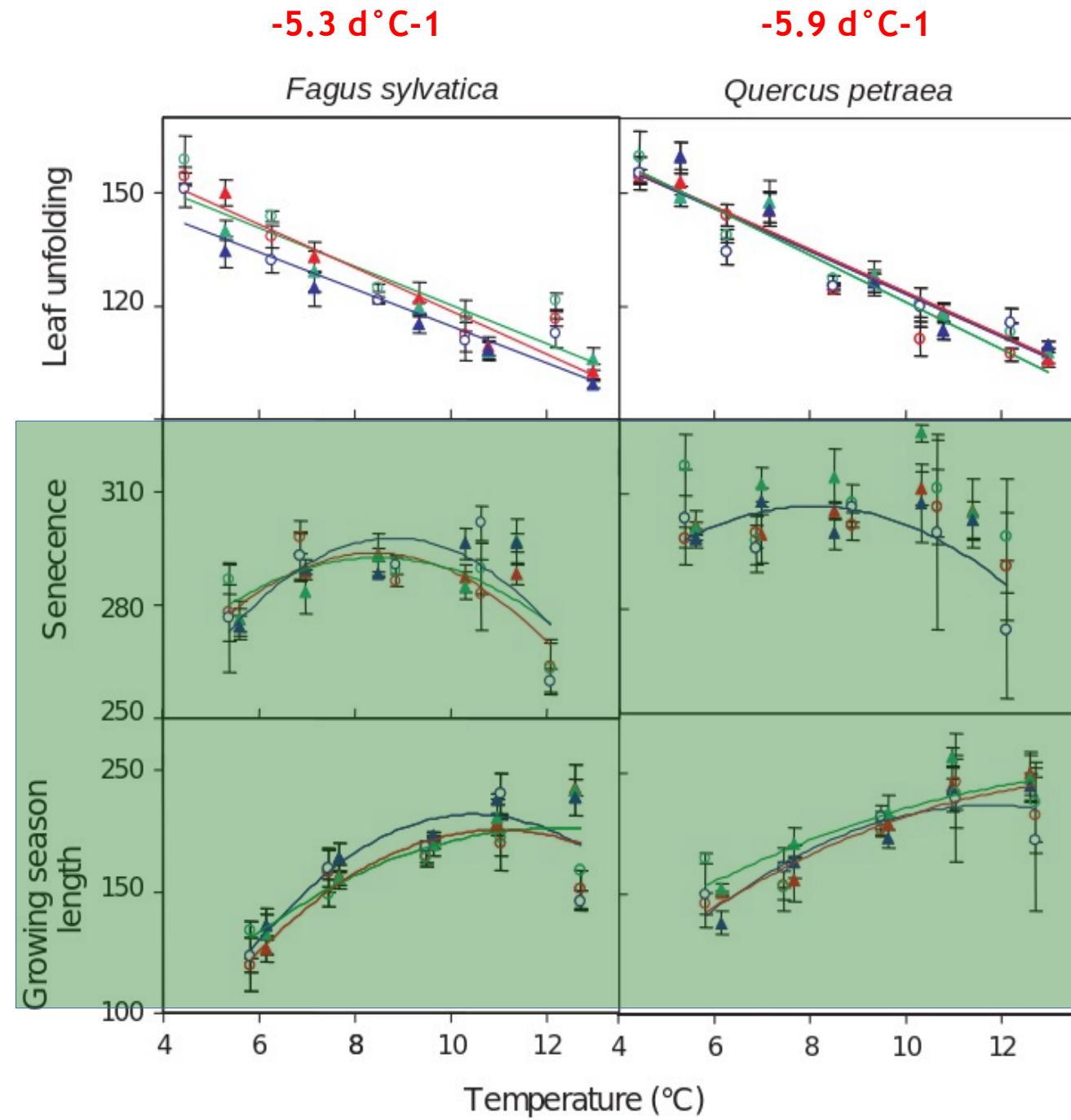


# Phenotypic plasticity

## Reaction norms

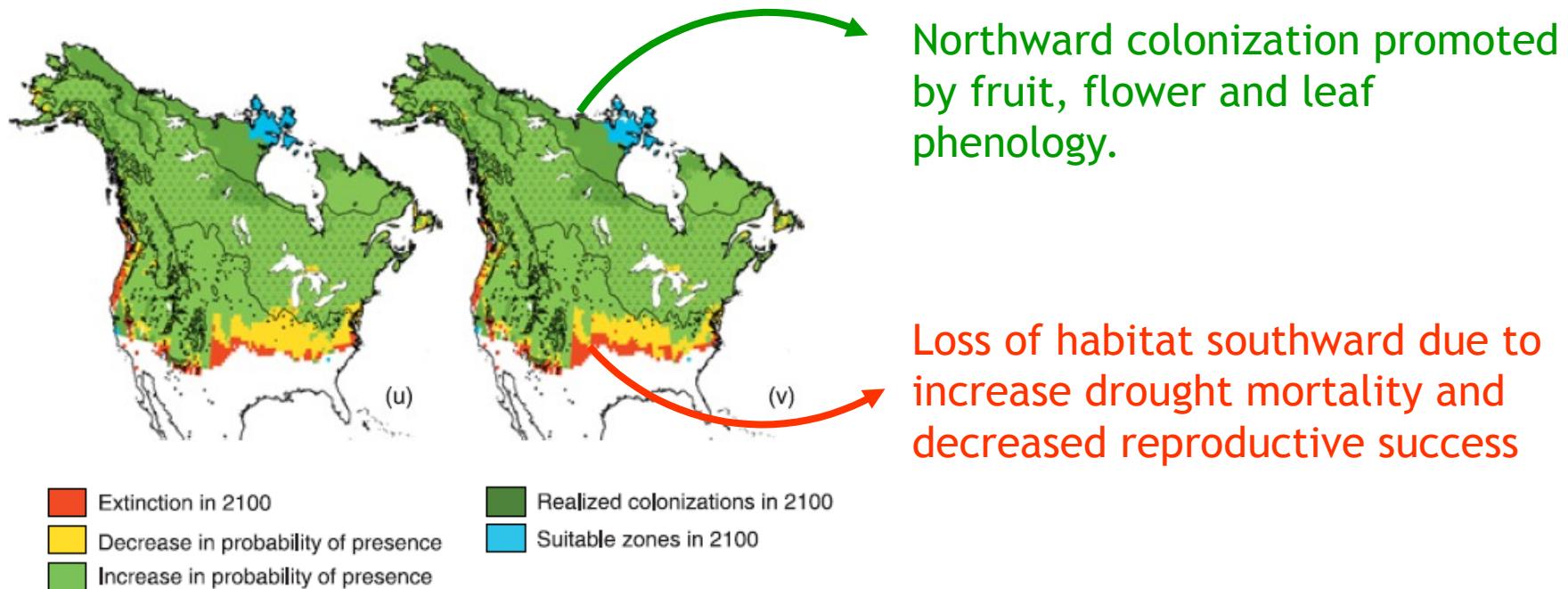
$$VP = VG + VE + V(GxE)$$

Vitasse et al. 2010 Func. Ecol.



# Forecasting phenology and species distribution

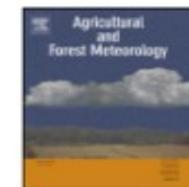
- Insight from fitness-based models (Morin et al. 2008)



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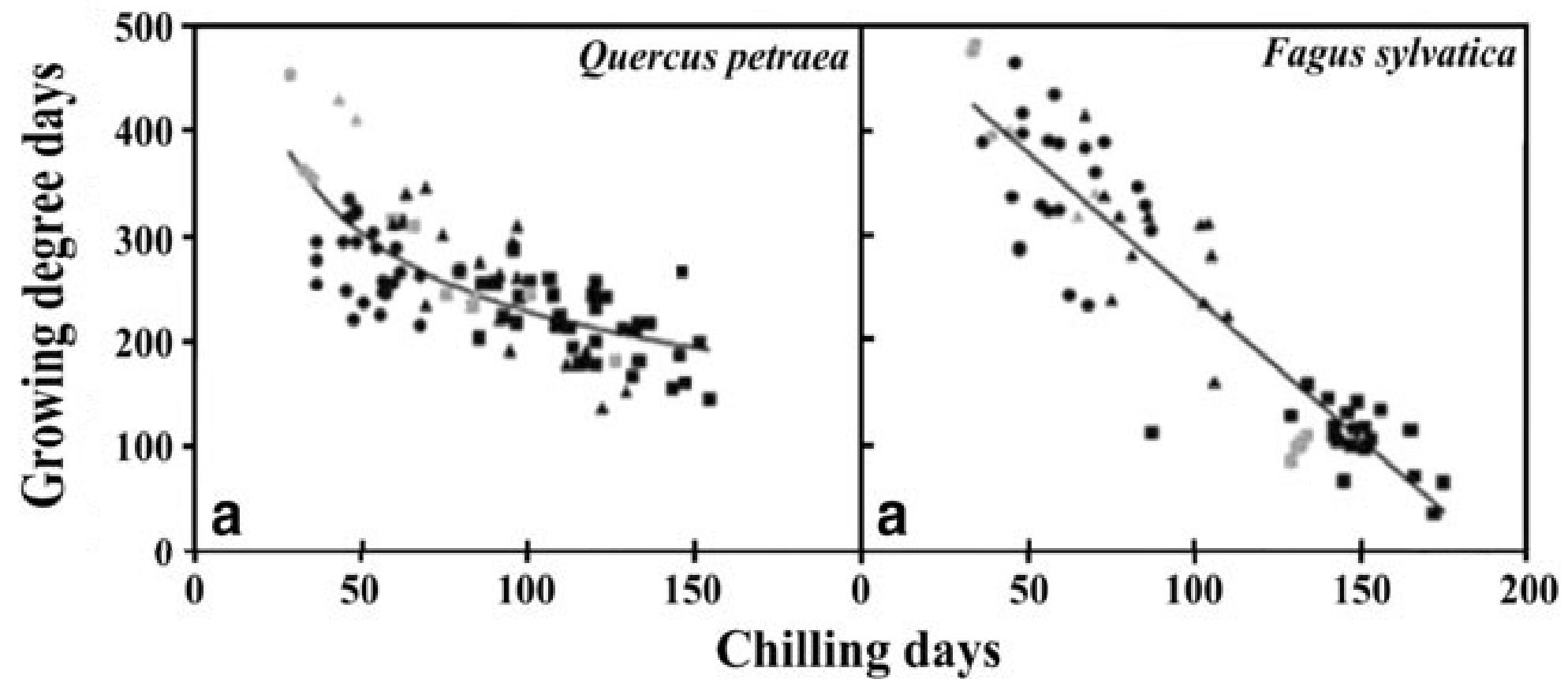
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Assessing the effects of climate change on the phenology of European temperate trees

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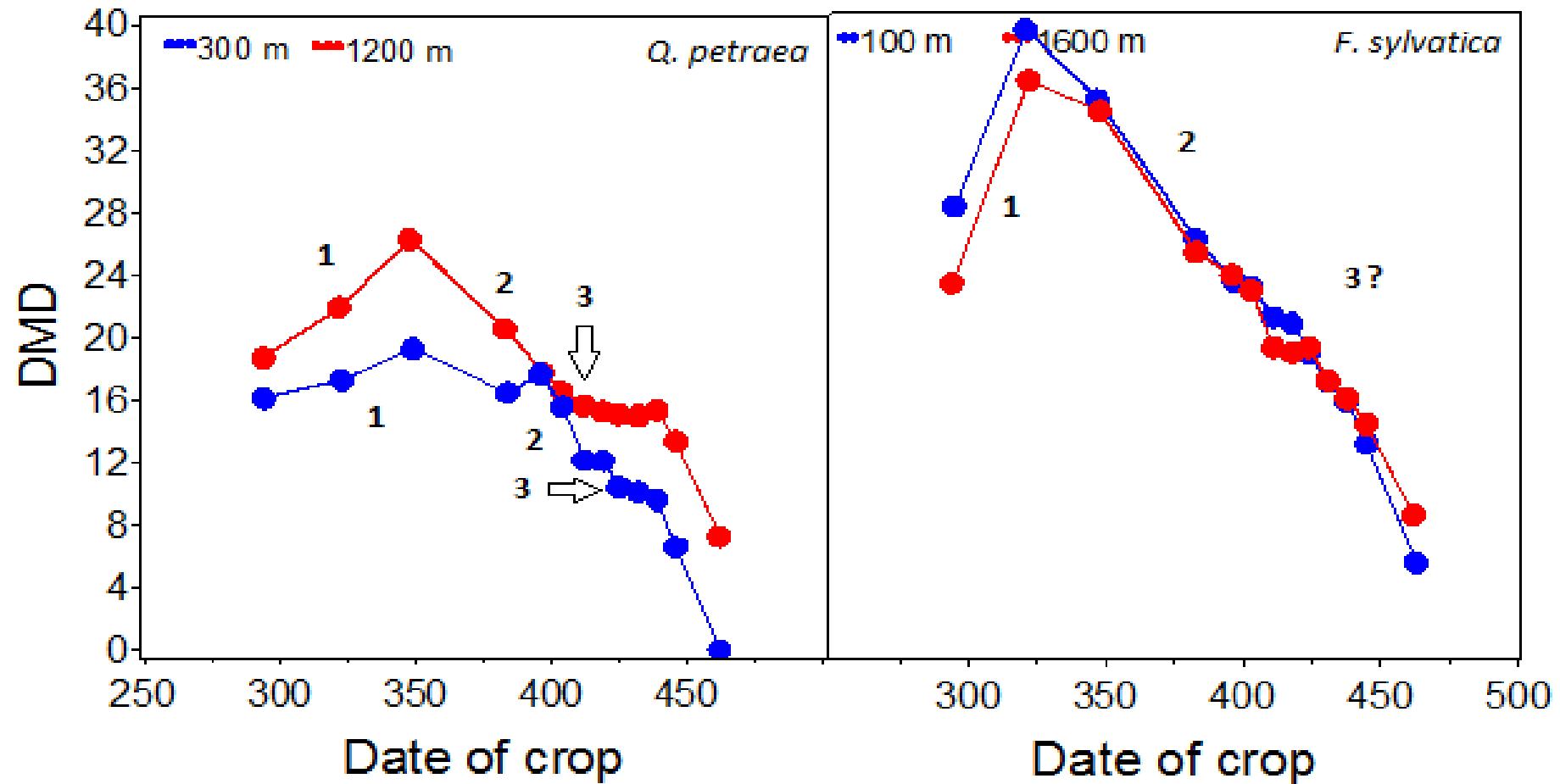
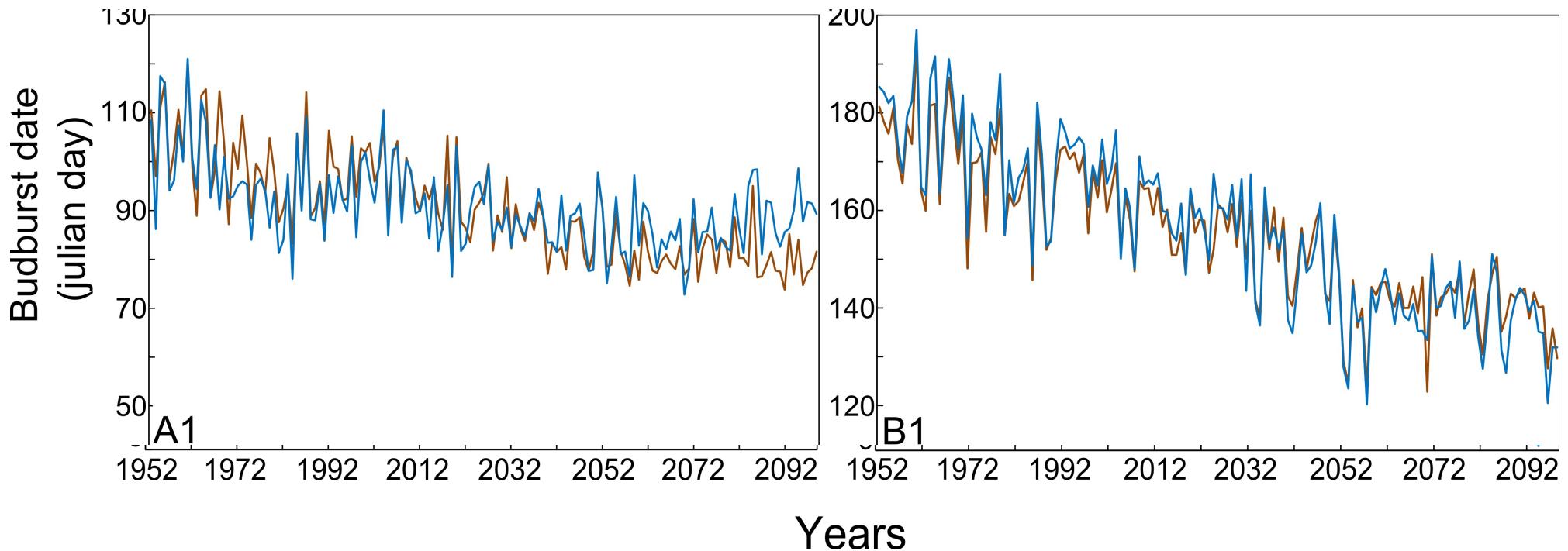
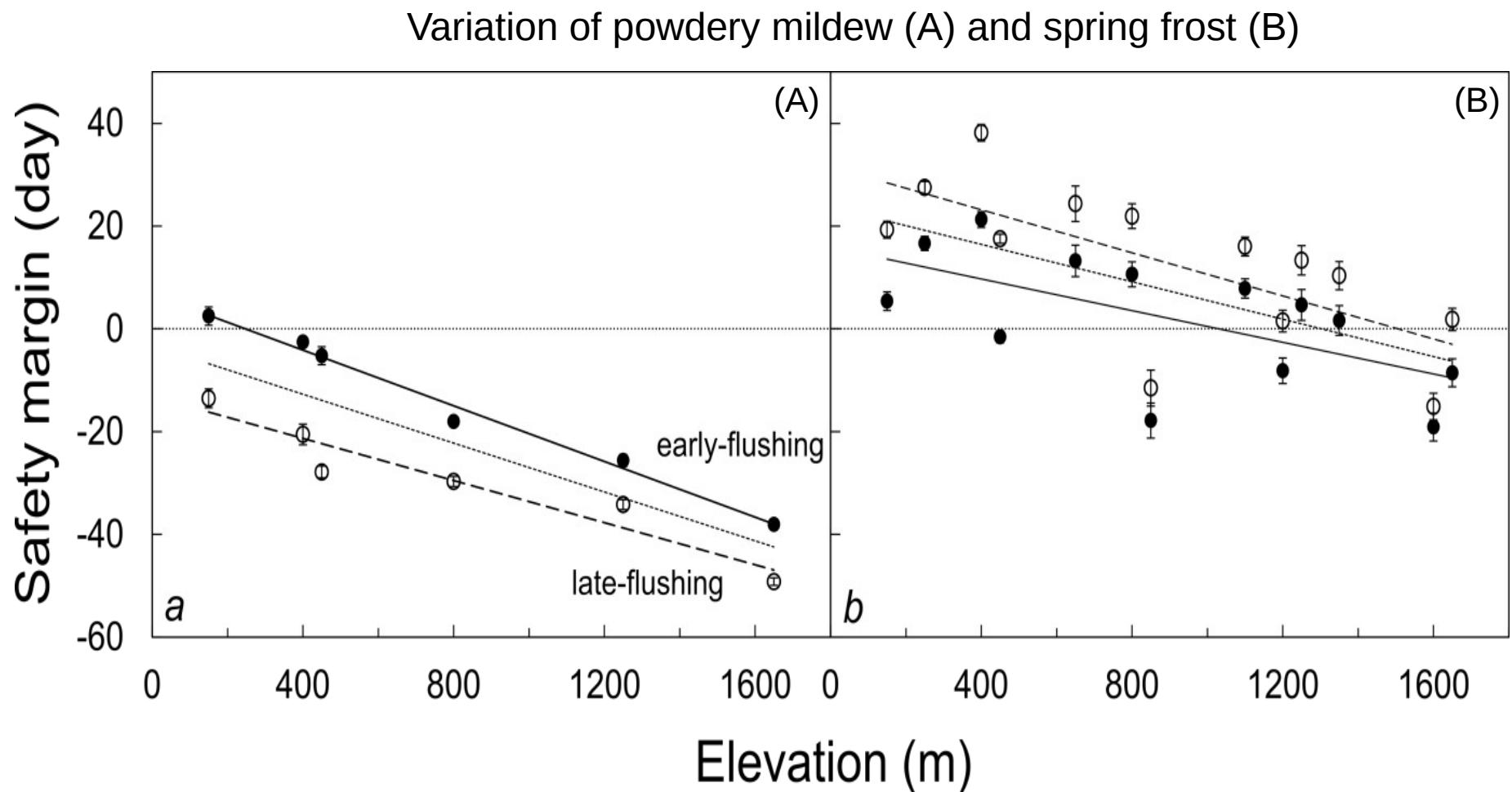


Figure 4 : délai moyen de débourrement (DMD, en nombre de jours) en fonction de la date de récolte des bourgeons, pour *Q.petraea* (300m et 1200m) et *F. sylvatica* (100m et 1600m).

# Forecasting phenology and species distribution



# Selection pressure on leaf phenology



- positive safety margin for late frost

- negative safety margin for mildew

# Reproductive phenology



- One species only: *Quercus petraea*
- Along a latitudinal gradient (RENECOFOR, ONF); 17 populations
- Along altitudinal gradients (Pyrénées); 10 populations