



Adaptations of climate-resilient urban tree species to drought and heat periods

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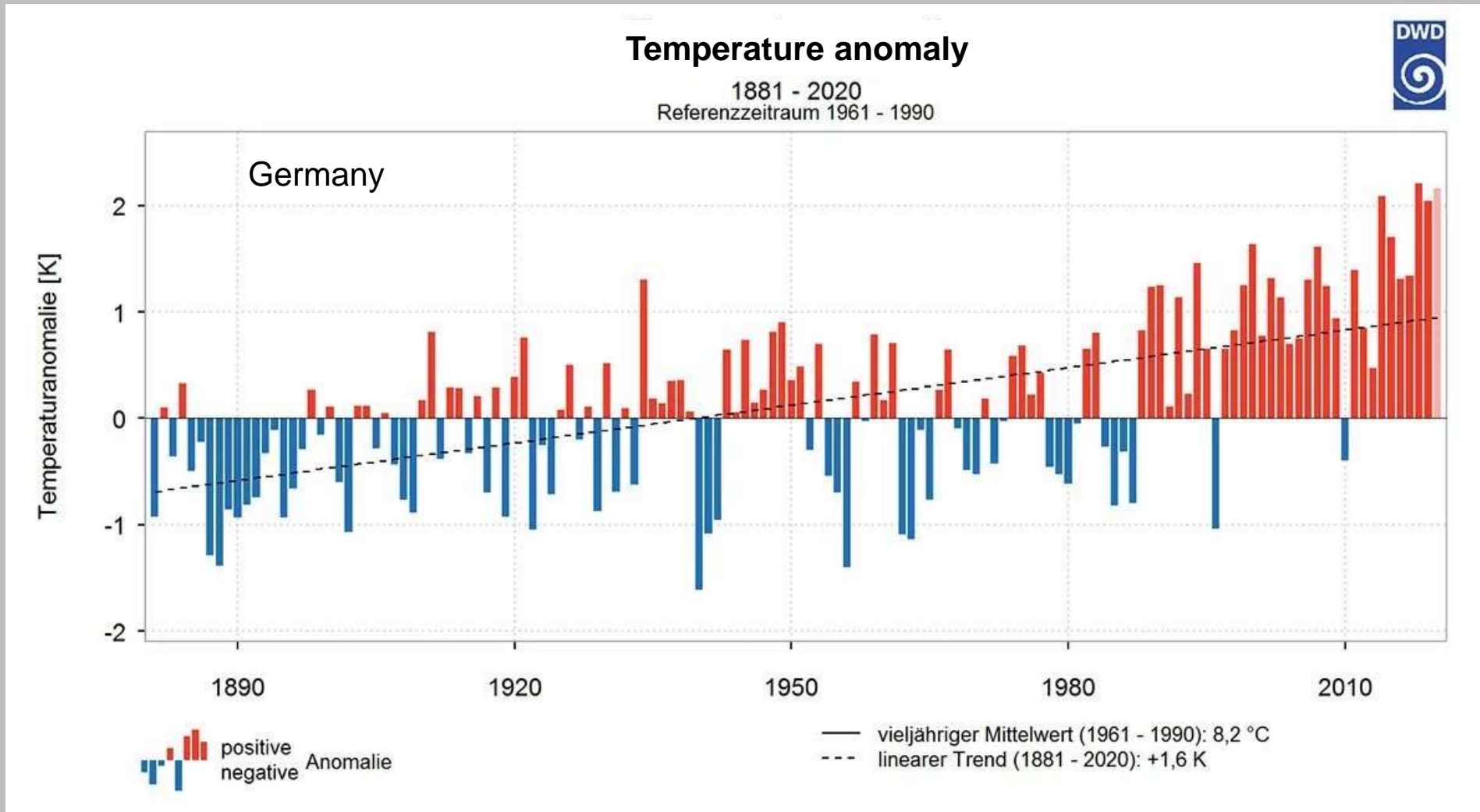
Important ecosystem services of urban trees

1 adult tree has the same cooling capacity
as **10** air conditions

source: University of Wageningen, NL



Stress-tolerant urban trees



progressive urbanisation + climate change

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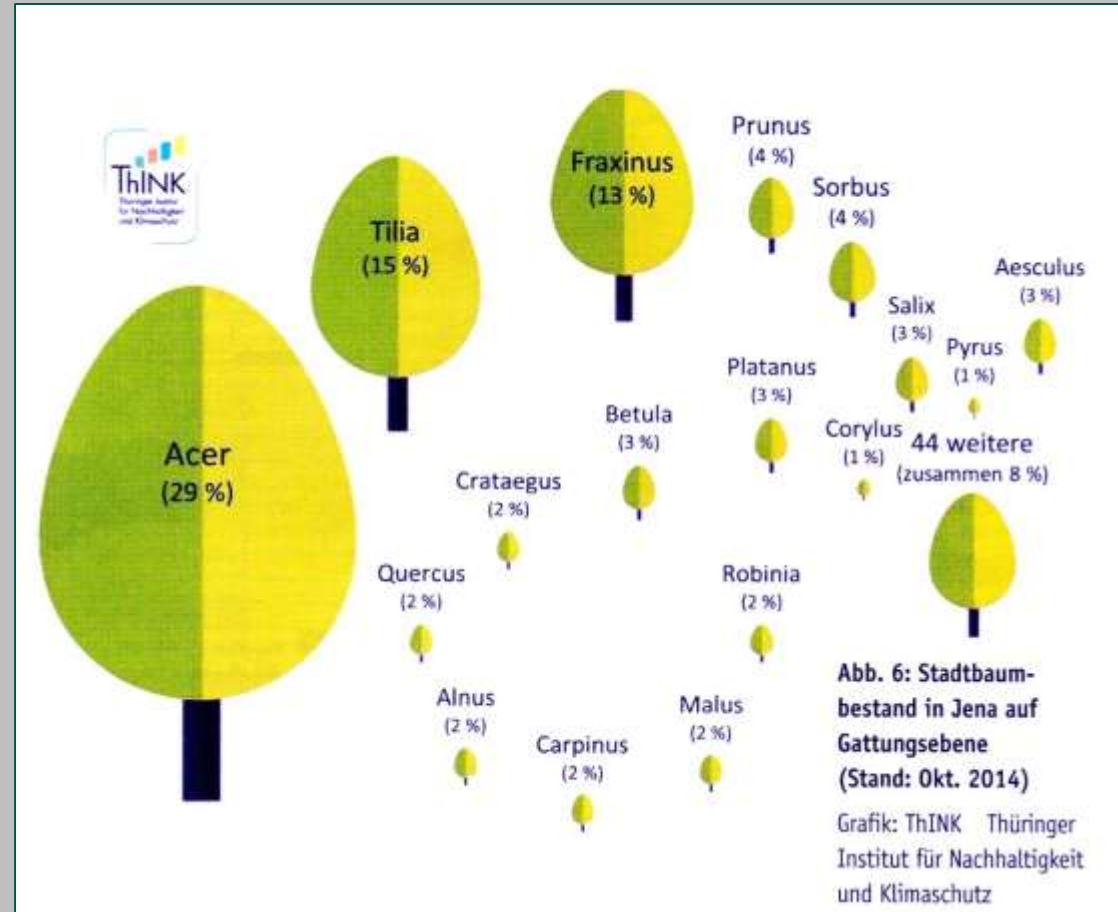
Effects of increasing drought and heat stress



Extreme summer 2003, 2015, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2022 ...

Stress-tolerant urban trees

- summer linden
- winter linden
- mountain maple
- Norway maple
- London plane
- chestnut
- common ash
- (formerly elms)



Bsp. Jena (D. Knopf, ProBaum 2016)

only few major tree species in the cities!

Stress-tolerant urban trees



Need of more urban tree species !



2009: 20 test tree species

Versuchsbaumarten	dt. Name	Herkunft
<i>Acer buergerianum</i>	Dreizahnhorn	Bergwälder Japans
<i>Acer monspessulanum</i>	Frz. Ahorn	Mittel-/Südeuropa
<i>Alnus x spaethii</i>	Purpurerle	Späth, Berlin, 1908
<i>Carpinus betulus</i> Frans Fontaine	Hainbuche	GA Eindhoven, NL 1983
<i>Celtis australis</i>	Zürgelbaum	Südeuropa, N-/W- Afrika
<i>Fraxinus ornus</i>	Blumenesche	Südeuropa, Westasien
<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> Summit	Rotesche	Mitte/ Osten USA, Sorte 1957
<i>Ginkgo biloba</i>	Ginkgo	China
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> Skyline	Gleditsie	Nordamerika, Sorte 1957
<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	Amberbaum	Osten USA
<i>Magnolia kobus</i>	Kobushi-Magnolie	Japan
<i>Ostrya carpinifolia</i>	Hopfenbuche	Südeuropa, Kleinasien
<i>Parrotia persica</i>	Eisenholzbaum	Nordiran, S-Rußland
<i>Quercus cerris</i>	Zerreiche	Mittel-/Südeuropa, Kleinasien
<i>Quercus x hispanica</i> Wageningen	Span. Eiche	NAK Selektion, Ede, NL 1979
<i>Quercus frainetto</i> Trump	Ungarische Eiche	Osteuropa, NL 1979
<i>Sophora japonica</i> Regent	Jap. Schnurbaum	China, Korea, Sorte USA 1964
<i>Tilia tomentosa</i> Brabant	Silberlinde	SO-Europa, Kleinasien, 1930
<i>Ulmus</i> Lobel	Ulme	Wageningen, NL 1973
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<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i>		Sorte 1957
<i>Ginkgo biloba</i>		
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i>	<i>Acer rubrum</i> Somerset	Sorte 1957
<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	<i>Eucommia ulmoides</i>	Guttaperchabaum
<i>Magnolia kobus</i>	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	Schwarznuß
<i>Ostrya carpinifolia</i>	<i>Malus tschonoskii</i>	Wollapfel
<i>Parrotia persica</i>	<i>Platanus orientalis</i>	Morgenländische Platane
<i>Quercus cerris</i>	<i>Sorbus latifolia</i> Henk Vink	Breitblättrige Mehlbeere
<i>Quercus x hispanica</i>	<i>Tilia americana</i> Redmond	Amerikanische Linde
<i>Quercus frainetii</i>	<i>Tilia mongolica</i>	Mongolische Linde
<i>Sophora japonica</i>	<i>Ulmus Rebona</i>	Ulme
<i>Tilia tomentosa</i>		
<i>Ulmus Lobelii</i>	Ulme	Wageningen, NL 1973
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2015: 10 test tree species

Versuchsbaumarten	dt. Name	Herkunft
<i>Acer opalus</i>	Schneeballhorn	
<i>Acer rubrum</i> Somerset	Rotahorn "Somerset"	Sorte 1957
<i>Eucommia ulmoides</i>	Guttaperchabaum	
<i>Juglans nigra</i>	Schwarznuß	
<i>Malus tschonoskii</i>	Wollapfel	Asien
<i>Platanus orientalis</i>	Morgenländische Platane	Indien
<i>Sorbus latifolia</i> Henk Vink	Breitblättrige Mehlbeere	Kleinasien
<i>Tilia americana</i> Redmond	Amerikanische Linde	Eindhoven, NL 1979
<i>Tilia mongolica</i>	Mongolische Linde	Sorte USA 1964
<i>Ulmus Rebona</i>	Ulme	Asien, 1930

Stress-tolerant urban trees

Partner cities:

- Hof/ Münchberg
- Würzburg
- Kempten

• Climate

- continental: prone to frost
- hot + dry
- pre-alpine: high precipitation

Stress-tolerant urban trees

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Biannual survey:

- frost damage
- **symptoms of drought and heat stress**
- pathogens + pests
- phaenology: leaf sprouting, discoloring
- growth rates

Evaluation: survey + growth rates

Stress - tolerant urban trees



„Best-of“ tree lists for climatically different test sites (Bavarian cities)

Hof/ Münchberg	Kempten	Würzburg
<i>Alnus x spaethii</i>	<i>Alnus x spaethii</i>	<i>Acer monspessulanum</i>
<i>Fraxinus ornus</i>	<i>Fraxinus ornus</i>	<i>Alnus x spaethii</i>
<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> Summit	<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> Skyline	<i>Carpinus betulus</i> Frans Fontaine
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> Skyline	<i>Magnolia kobus</i>	<i>Fraxinus ornus</i>
<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	<i>Quercus frainetto</i> Trump	<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> Skyline
<i>Magnolia kobus</i>	<i>Styphnolobium japonicum</i> Regent	<i>Ostrya carpinifolia</i>
<i>Quercus cerris</i>	<i>Ulmus</i> Lobel	<i>Quercus cerris</i>
<i>Styphnolobium japonicum</i> Regent		<i>Quercus frainetto</i> Trump
<i>Ulmus</i> Lobel	<i>Eucommia ulmoides</i>	<i>Styphnolobium japonicum</i> Regent
	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	<i>Tilia tomentosa</i> Brabant
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<i>Juglans nigra</i>		
<i>Malus tschonoskii</i>		<i>Acer opalus</i>
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		<i>Tilia mongolica</i>
		<i>Ulmus</i> Rebona

2010

2015

Jahresmittel (DWD):

T °C: 6,4
mm: 742

6,9
1273

9,1
602



Stress - tolerant urban trees

Reactions to heat and drought stress



silver linden



manna ash



hop hornbeam

But how do they do it ??

August

Würzburg

Stress - tolerant urban trees

Adaptations to heat and drought stress



Adaptations to heat and drought stress

- **Genetically fixed**, origin-related adaptations
 - e.g. leathery or hairy leaves, lowering of the water potential
- **Adaption** – medium-term adaptations
 - e.g. smaller leaves, smaller, but more stomata
- **Acclimation** – short-term adaptations
 - e.g. faster closing of stomata during drought periods

Stress-tolerant urban trees

species of continental origin



Quercus cerris



Tilia tomentosa

Rhodopen - Bulgaria

Genetic adaptations due to geographic origin

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Quercus cerris

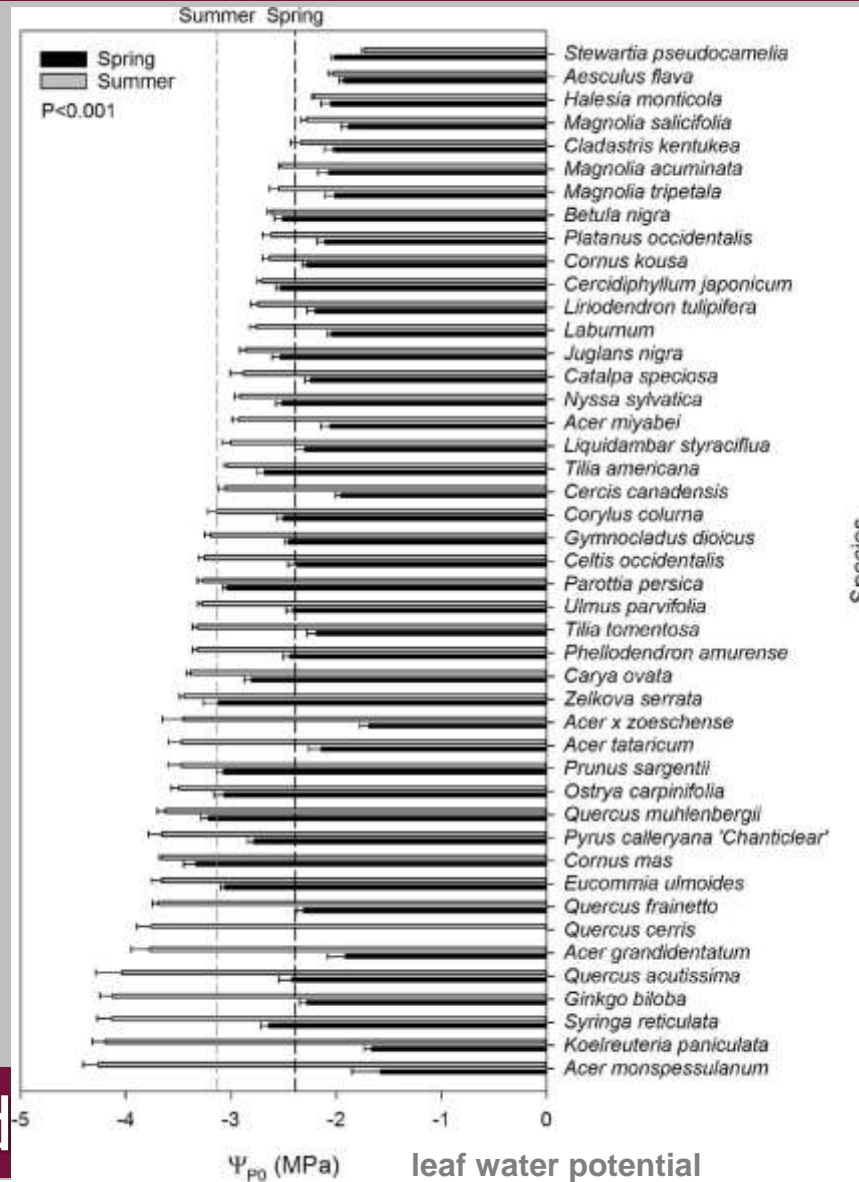
Versuchsbaumarten	Trockenstressanpassungen
<i>Acer buergerianum</i>	%
<i>Acer monspessulanum</i>	kleine, ledrige, glänzende Blätter
<i>Acer opalus</i>	derbe Blätter, helle Unterseite
<i>Acer rubrum</i> 'Somerset'	kleine Blätter (Blattwedeln)
<i>Alnus x spaethii</i>	gefiederte Blätter
<i>Carpinus betulus</i> 'Frans Fontaine'	derbe Blätter, sichtbare Hauptnerven
<i>Celtis australis</i>	derbe Blätter, sichtbare Hauptnerven, Blattrollen ("Schiffchenbildung")
<i>Eucommia ulmoides</i>	glänzende Blätter
<i>Fraxinus ornus</i>	derbe Blätter
<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> 'Summit'	gefiederte Blätter
<i>Ginkgo biloba</i>	derbe Blätter
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> 'Skyline'	gefiederte Blätter, lichte Krone
<i>Juglans nigra</i>	gefiederte Blätter
<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	glänzende Blätter, Korkleisten
<i>Magnolia kobus</i>	%
<i>Malus tschonoskii</i>	silberne Blattunterseite
<i>Ostrya carpinifolia</i>	derbe Blätter, sichtbare Hauptnerven/ verdickte Leitungselemente
<i>Parrotia persica</i>	dunkelrote Blattverfärbung (trotzdem strahlungsempfindlich)
<i>Quercus cerris</i>	ledrige, kleine Blätter
<i>Quercus x hispanica</i> 'Wageningen'	kleine, derbe Blätter, Korkleisten
<i>Quercus frainetto</i> 'Trump'	glänzende, dick-ledrige Blätter
<i>Sorbus latifolia</i> 'Henk Vink'	glänzende Blätter, helle Unterseite, sichtbare Hauptnerven
<i>Styphnolobium japonicum</i> 'Regent'	gefiederte Blätter, grüne Triebe/ PS, lichte Krone
<i>Tilia americana</i> 'Redmond'	%
<i>Tilia mongolica</i>	kleine Blätter
<i>Tilia tomentosa</i> 'Brabant'	silberne Blattunterseite, dichter Haarfilz, eingesenkte Stomata, Blattdrehen + Heliotropismus
<i>Ulmus</i> 'Lobel'	derbe Blätter, sichtbare Hauptnerven
<i>Ulmus</i> 'Rebona'	glänzende, derbe Blätter
<i>Zelkova serrata</i> 'Green Vase'	gefiederte Blätter

Genetic adaptations due to geographic origin

Stress-tolerant urban trees

Physiological adaptations

Leaf water potentials at the wilting point of different tree species



Acclimation:
 Ψ_{p0} summer \ll Ψ_{p0} spring

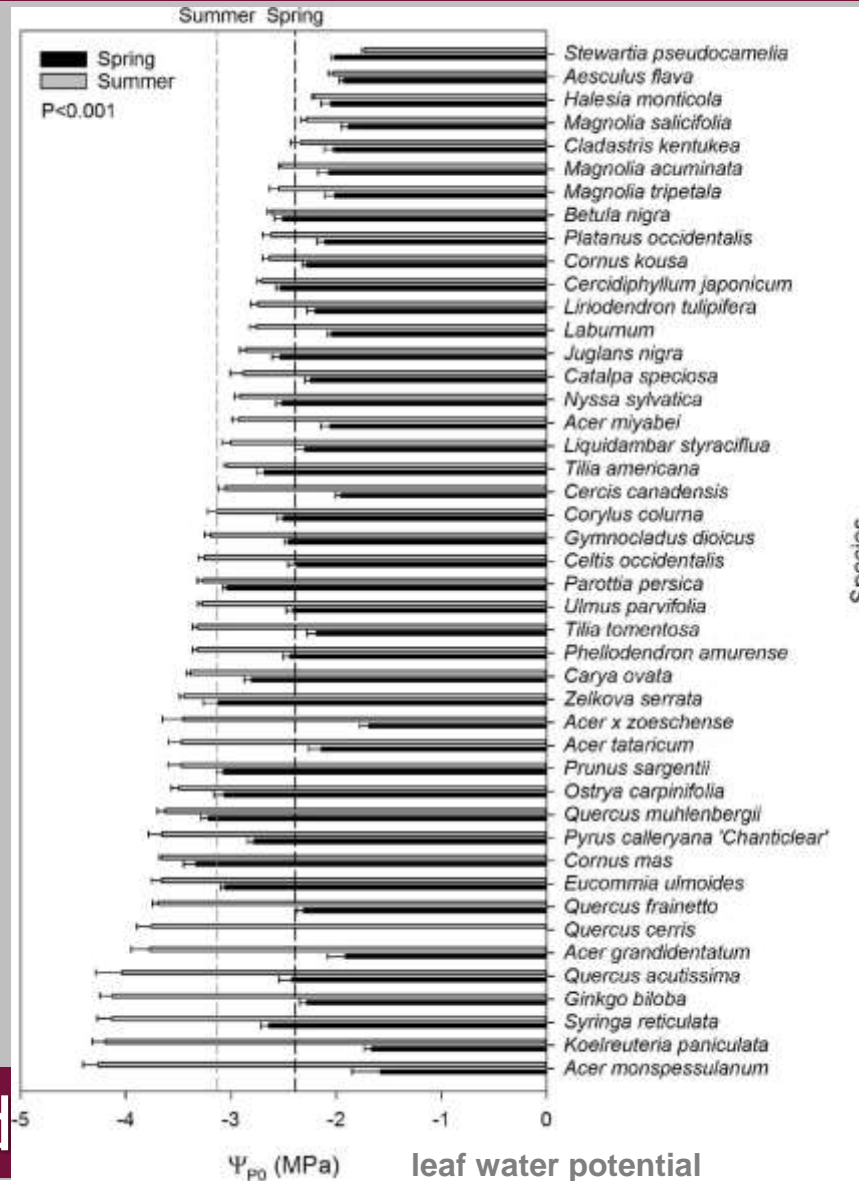
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Acer monspessulanum

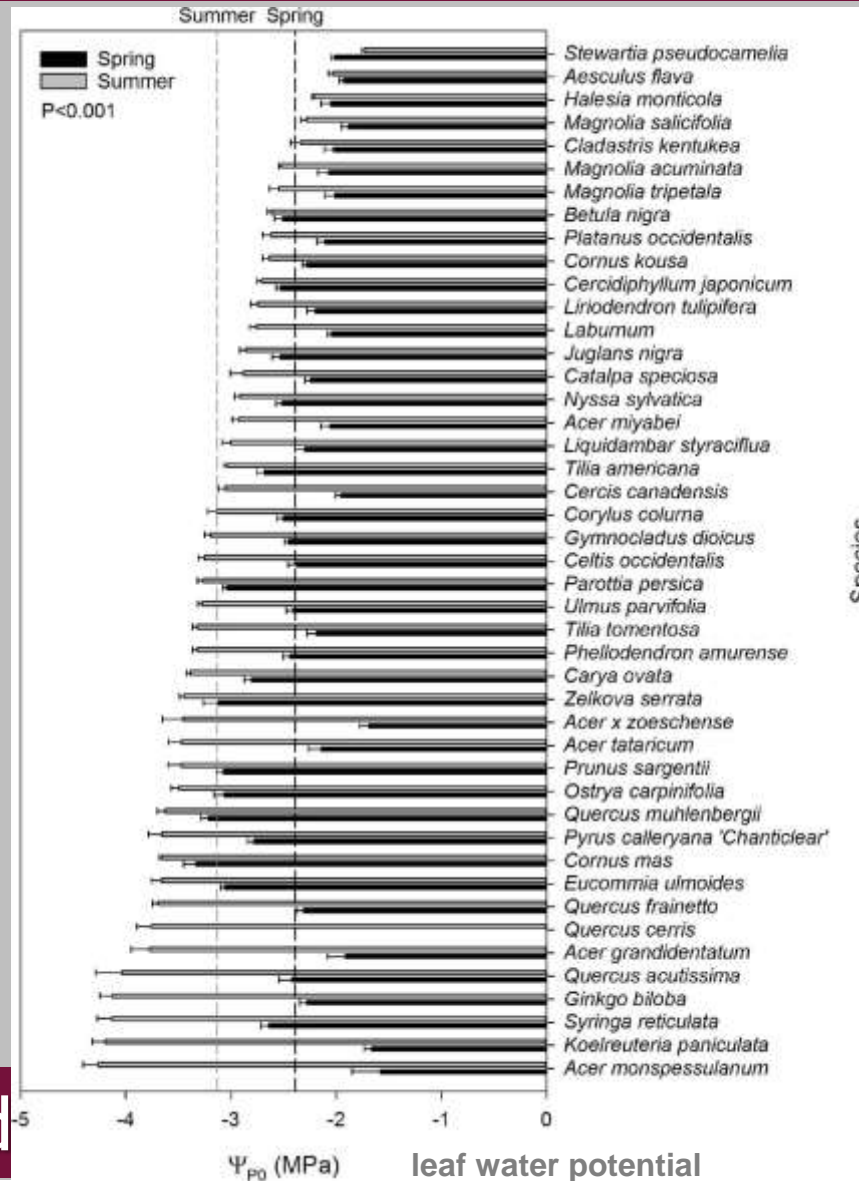
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Adaption: mid-term adaptations

„trade-off“ of investments

Adaptations to heat and drought stress

Stress-tolerant urban trees

Increase in the circumference of the trunk (cm) since planting

2010-2013

Versuchsbaumarten	Hof/ Münchberg	Kempten	Würzburg
<i>A. buergerianum</i>	7,4	3,8	9,1
<i>A. monspessulanum</i>	3,5	5,3	10,1
<i>Alnus x spaethii</i>	12,8	18,8	18,6
<i>C.betulus</i> Frans Fontaine	6,0	3,2	6,5
<i>Celtis australis</i>		4,8	8,1
<i>Fraxinus ornus</i>	7,5	4,8	10,9
<i>F. pennsylvanica</i> Summit	7,3	5,8	5,3
<i>Ginkgo biloba</i>	2,5	4,0	5,8
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> Skyline	5,3	4,5	4,1
<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	7,0	6,0	8,3
<i>Magnolia kobus</i>	6,1	3,3	3,9
<i>Ostrya carpinifolia</i>	8,3	4,3	9,1
<i>Parrotia persica</i>	5,5	5,6	6,8
<i>Quercus cerris</i>	7,9	4,3	7,6
<i>Q. frainetto</i> Trump	4,0	5,1	11,4
<i>Q. hispanica</i> Wageningen	8,8	4,0	6,0
<i>Styphnolobium jap.</i> Regent	9,3	5,8	7,4
<i>Tilia tomentosa</i> Brabant	12,4	4,8	12,0
<i>Ulmus</i> Lobel	10,5	10,0	8,4
<i>Zelkova serrata</i> Green Vase	7,6	10,4	10,0
Mittel	8,0	5,8	8,3

2010-2019

Versuchsbaumarten	Hof/ Münchberg	Kempten	Würzburg
<i>A. buergerianum</i>	18,0	13,4	22,4
<i>A. monspessulanum</i>	16,5	15,8	27,6
<i>Alnus x spaethii</i>	36,5	53,1	43,9
<i>C.betulus</i> Frans Fontaine	14,8	13,5	21,6
<i>Celtis australis</i>	tot	18,4	26,0
<i>Fraxinus ornus</i>	29,8	20,6	34,3
<i>F. pennsylvanica</i> Summit	23,8	22,3	24,7
<i>Ginkgo biloba</i>	.	7,2	23,3
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> Skyline	14,8	14,9	16,3
<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	19,3	18,8	21,3
<i>Magnolia kobus</i>	24,9	18,0	16,5
<i>Ostrya carpinifolia</i>	21,5	16,5	31,8
<i>Parrotia persica</i> Vanessa	15,0	15,5	19,5
<i>Quercus cerris</i>	27,4	14,0	27,1
<i>Q. frainetto</i> Trump	18,1	22,8	39,7
<i>Q. hispanica</i> Wageningen	27,0	18,5	18,3
<i>Styphnolobium jap.</i> Regent	38,9	25,8	25,7
<i>Tilia tomentosa</i> Brabant	40,6	21,5	31,8
<i>Ulmus</i> Lobel	26,2	36,2	27,3
<i>Zelkova serrata</i> Green Vase	23,0	31,0	26,8
Mittel	24,2	20,9	26,3

Adaptations to heat and drought stress

Adaption: mid-term adaptations

increase of sclerophylly
&
decrease of leaf size

Adaptations to heat and drought stress

Increase of sclerophylly 2018/2019

Sclerophyll-Index (leaves: mg dry weight/cm²)

Würzburg	2017	2020
<i>Fraxinus ornus</i>	9,3	9,3
<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> Summit	8,9	10,7
<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i> Westhofs Glorie	8,0	9,8
<i>Tilia cordata</i> Greenspire	8,4	8,7
<i>Tilia mongolica</i>	9,9	11,1
<i>Tilia tomentosa</i> Brabant	8,0	10,1

Adaptations to heat and drought stress

Sclerophylly & leaf area of native vs. Southeast European tree species before and after 2018/2019

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average leaf area (cm²)

Würzburg	2017	2020	% Diff
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<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> Summit	19,6	16,4	-16,5
<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i> Westhofs Glorie	12,0	13,5	12,7
<i>Tilia cordata</i> Greenspire	34,8	19,5	-44,0
<i>Tilia mongolica</i>	22,9	22,8	-0,3
<i>Tilia tomentosa</i> Brabant	61,2	38,5	-37,2

Adaptations to heat and drought stress

Acclimation: short-term adaptations

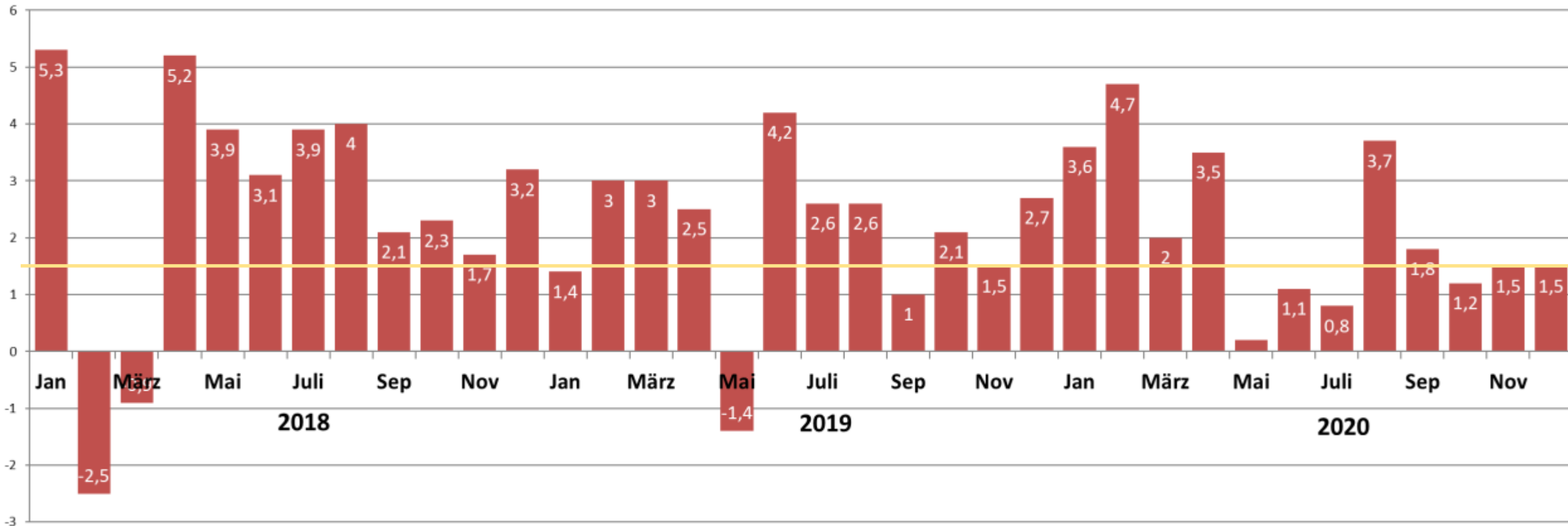
extension of the vegetation period

Adaptations to heat and drought stress

Stress-tolerant urban trees

Steppe summer in Würzburg

Temperature deviations in Würzburg from the long-term average 1961-1990



Stress-tolerant urban trees

Did test tree species also have a shortened vegetation period?

Early August 2015



Würzburg: *T. cordata*

Leaf discoloration (calendar week)

Würzburg	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2011-2014
<i>Acer buergerianum</i>	41	40	42	43	44	42
<i>Acer monspessulanum</i>	42	41	42	43	44	42
<i>Alnus x spaethii</i>	45	43	47	42	46	44
<i>Carpinus betulus</i> Frans Fontaine	39	39	43	44	42	41
<i>Celtis australis</i>	43	42	42	41	42	42
<i>Fraxinus ornus</i>	41	40	42	43	41	42
<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> Summit	35	36	40	38	40	37
<i>Ginkgo biloba</i> (männl. Selektion)	41	41	43	42	44	42
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> Skyline	34	36	39	37	40	37
<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	41	42	43	43	44	42
<i>Magnolia kobus</i>	36	38	42	42	45	40
<i>Ostrya carpinifolia</i>	43	42	43	43	41	43
<i>Parrotia persica</i>	42	43	43	43	44	43
<i>Quercus cerris</i>	41	42	43	44	43	43
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<i>Quercus x hispanica</i> Wageningen						
<i>Sophora japonica</i> Regent	41	41	42	40	43	41
<i>Tilia tomentosa</i> Brabant	42	43	43	44	41	43
<i>Ulmus</i> Lobel		42	44	45	45	44
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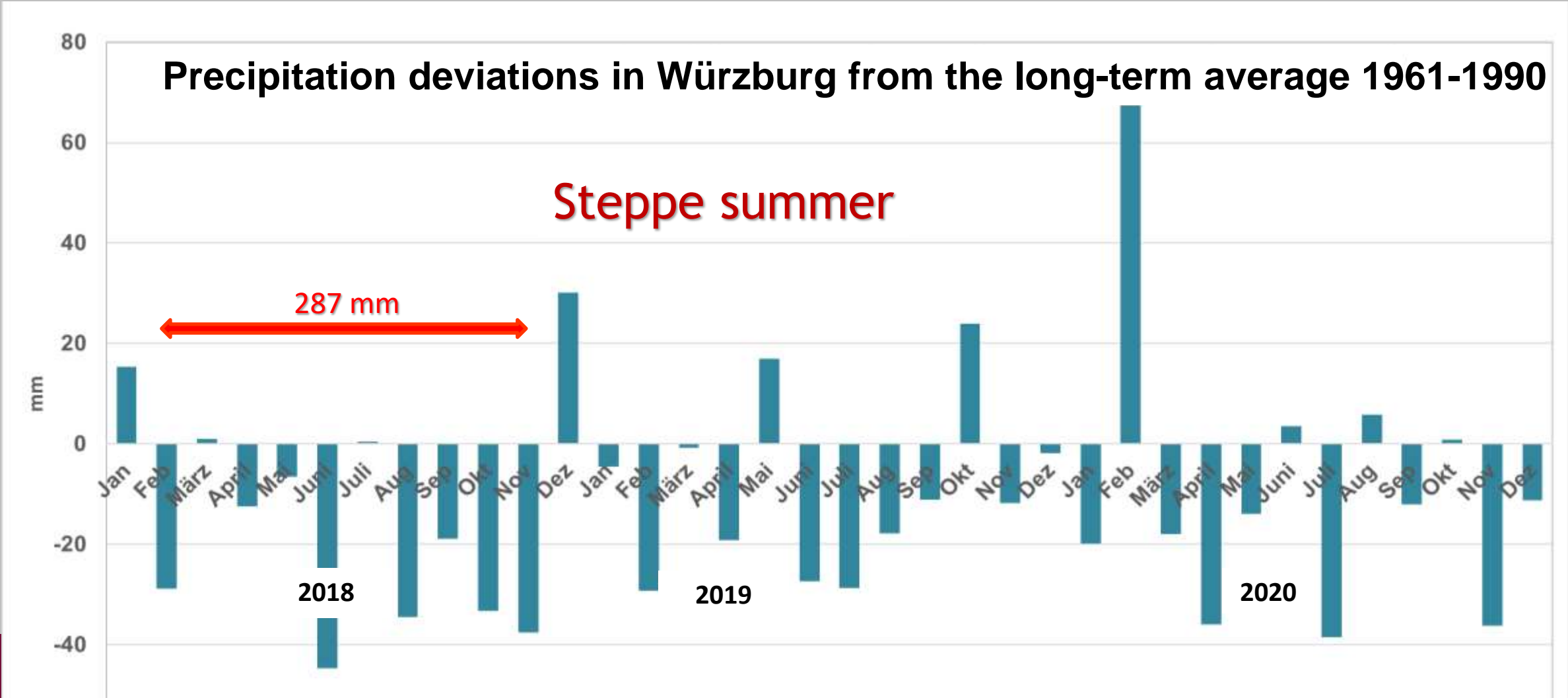
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Adaptations to heat and drought stress

Acclimation: short-term adaptations

control of leaf temperature

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Extreme summer 2018 - 2020

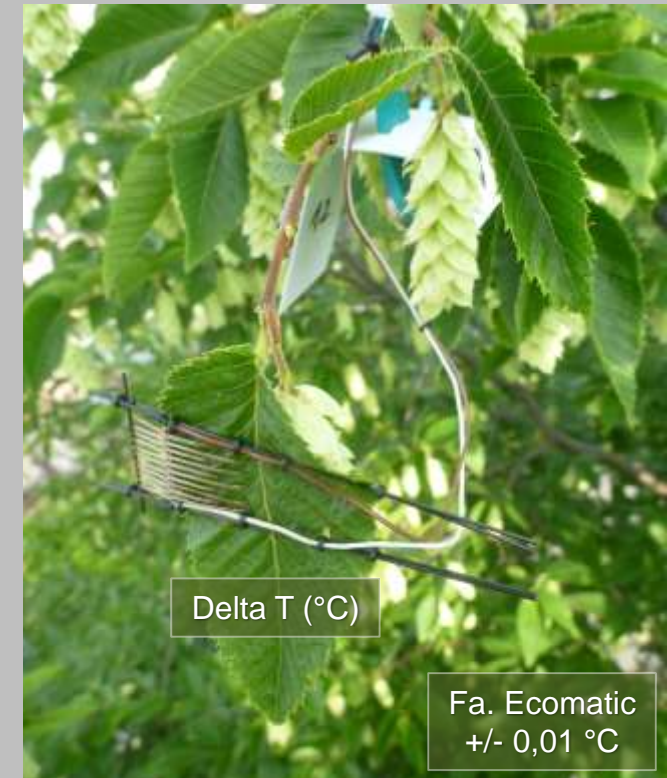
native tree species	SE European tree species
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2019: Prof. Paeth, Bachelorstudent M. Melzer



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horn beam

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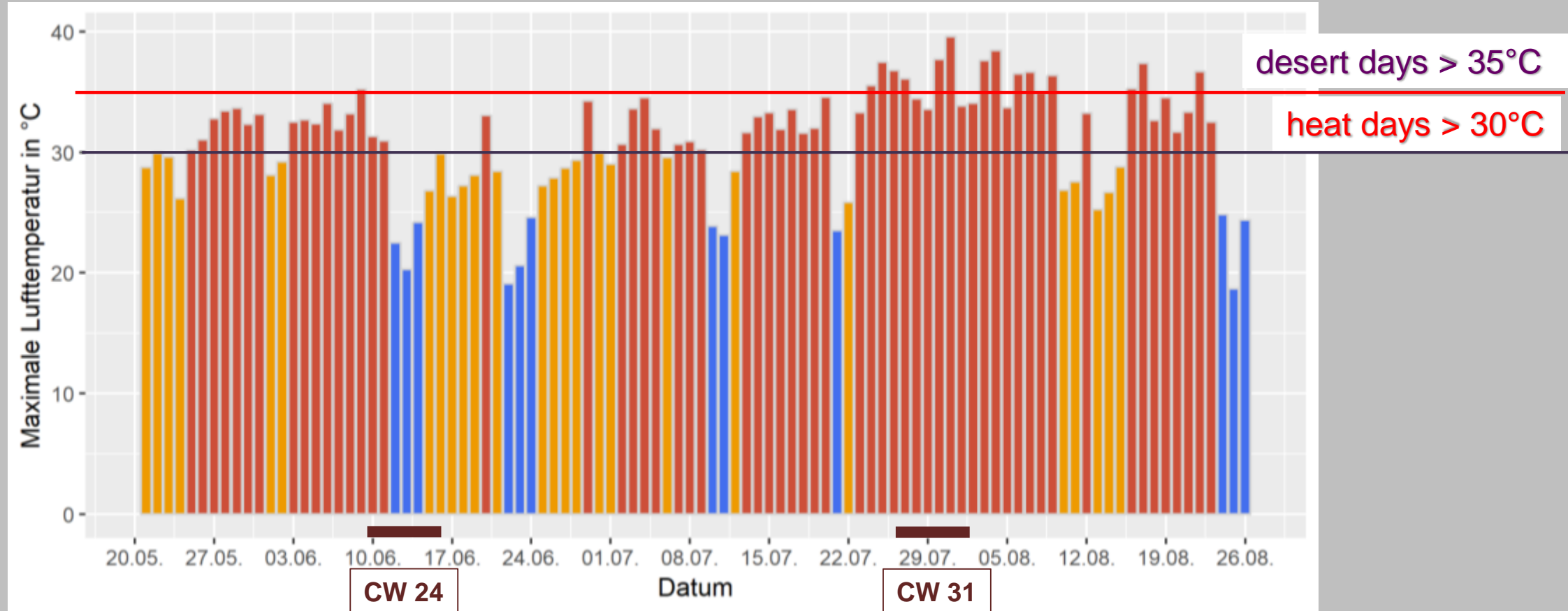
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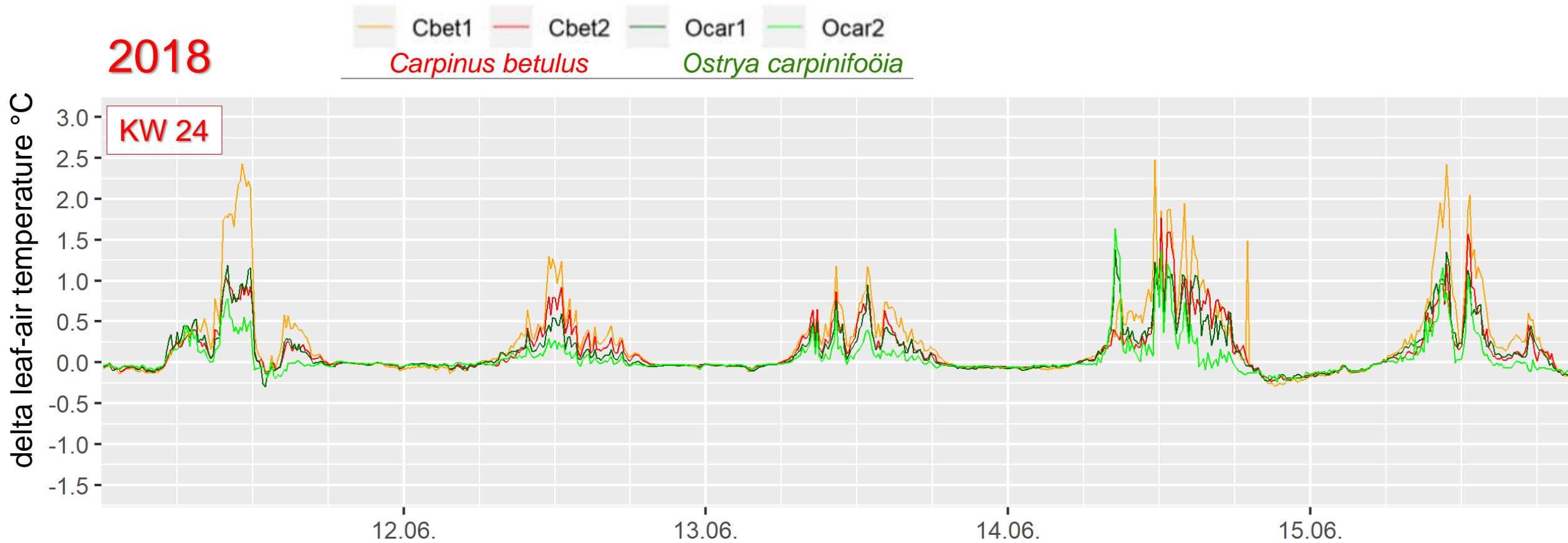
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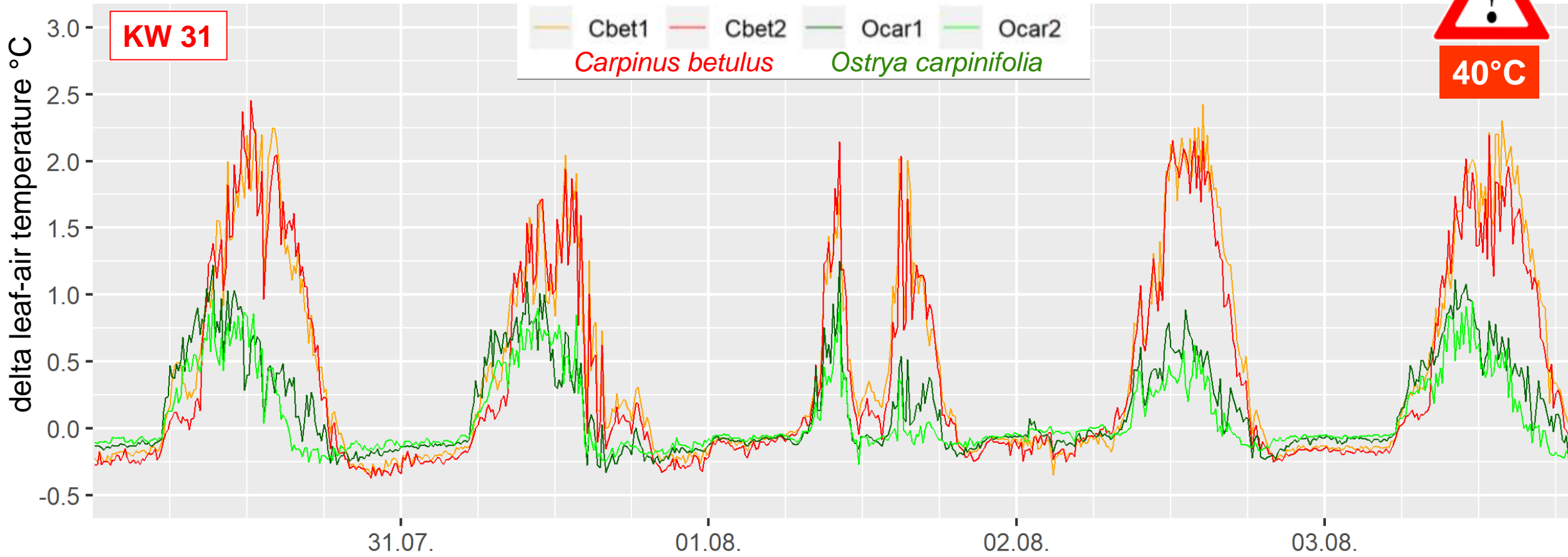


Air - leaf temperature of hornbeam vs. hop hornbeam

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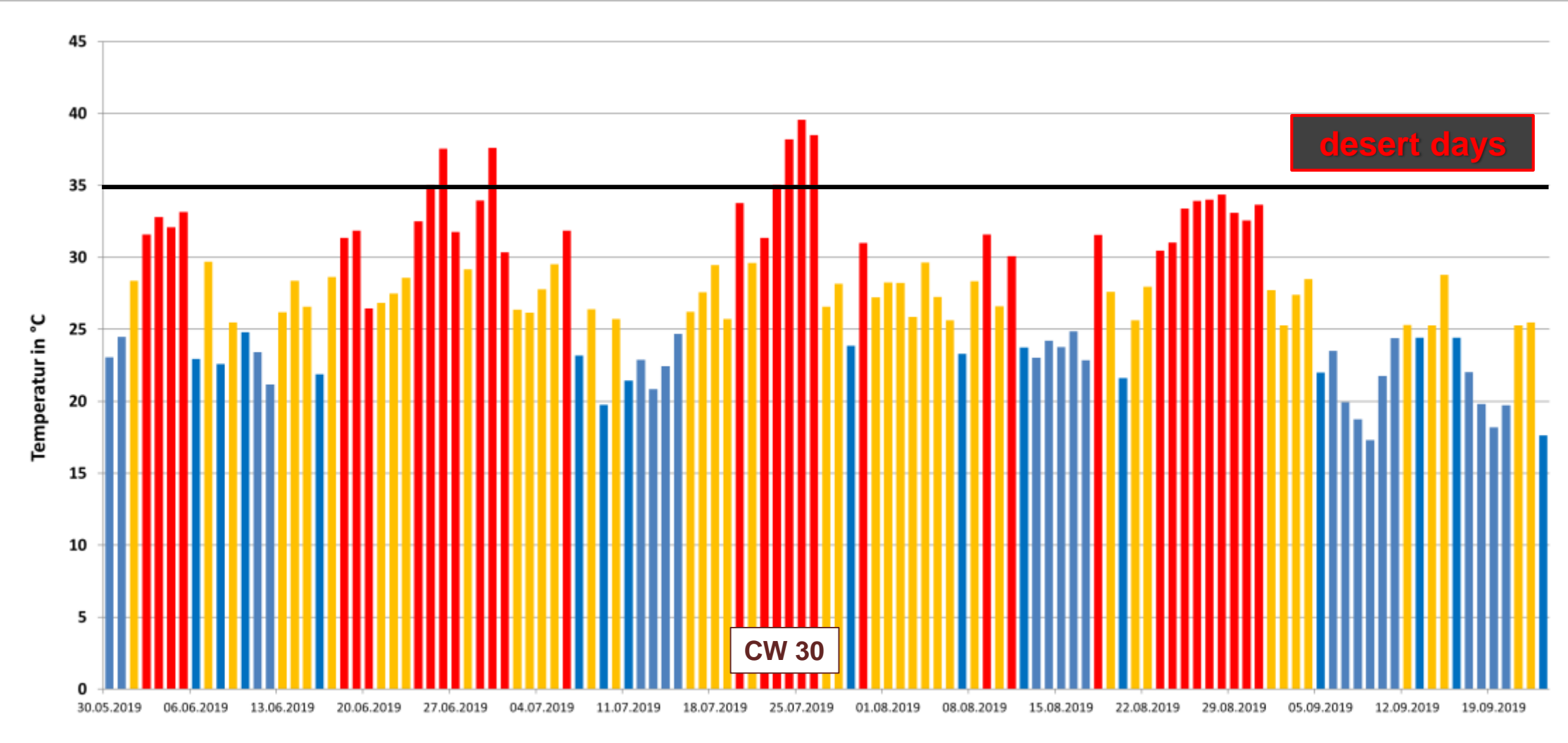
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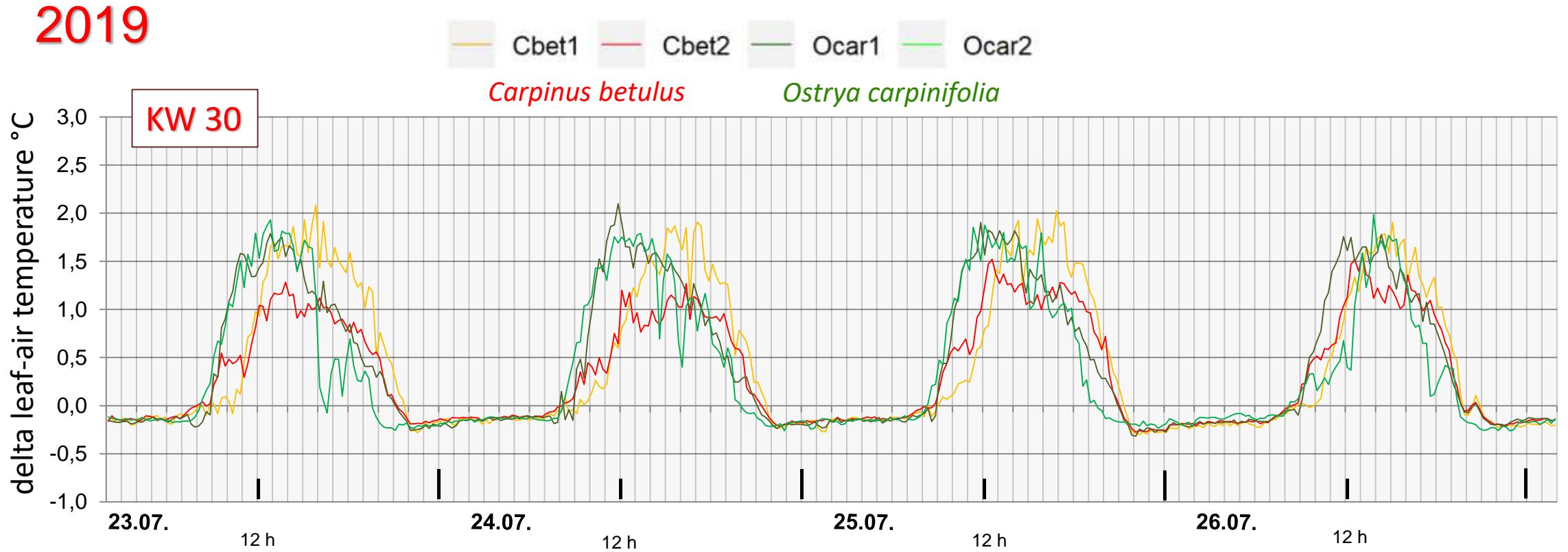
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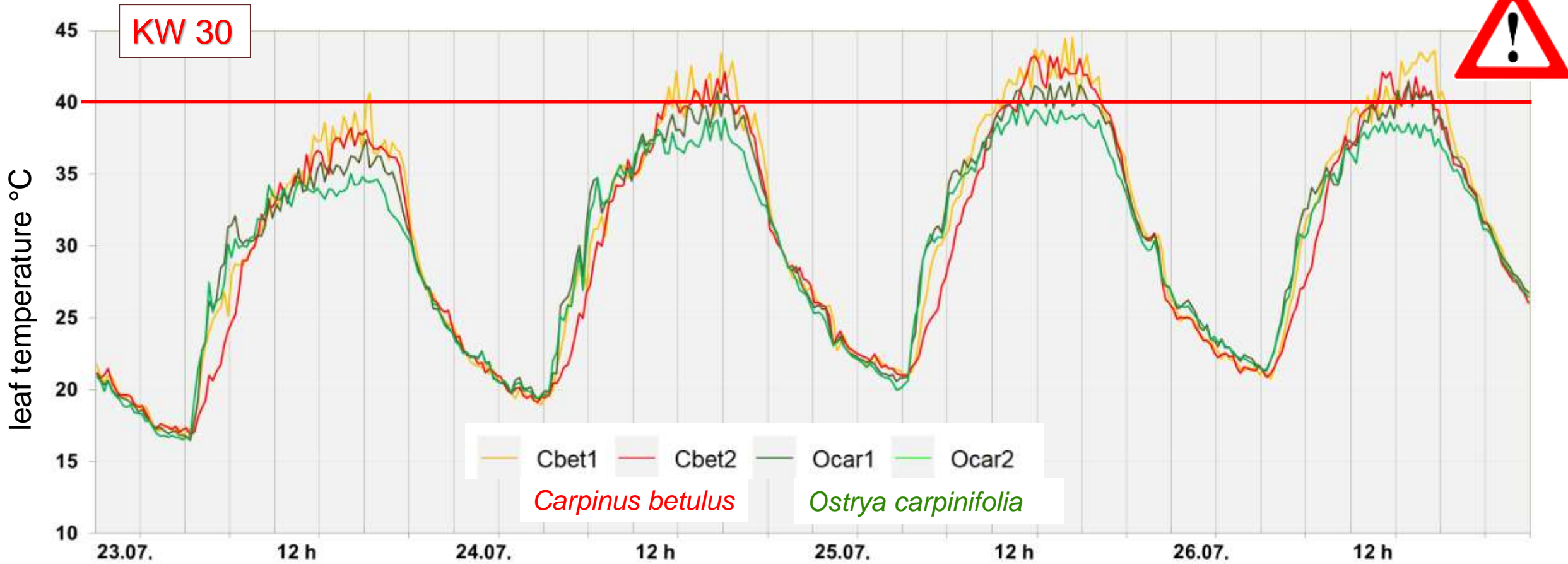
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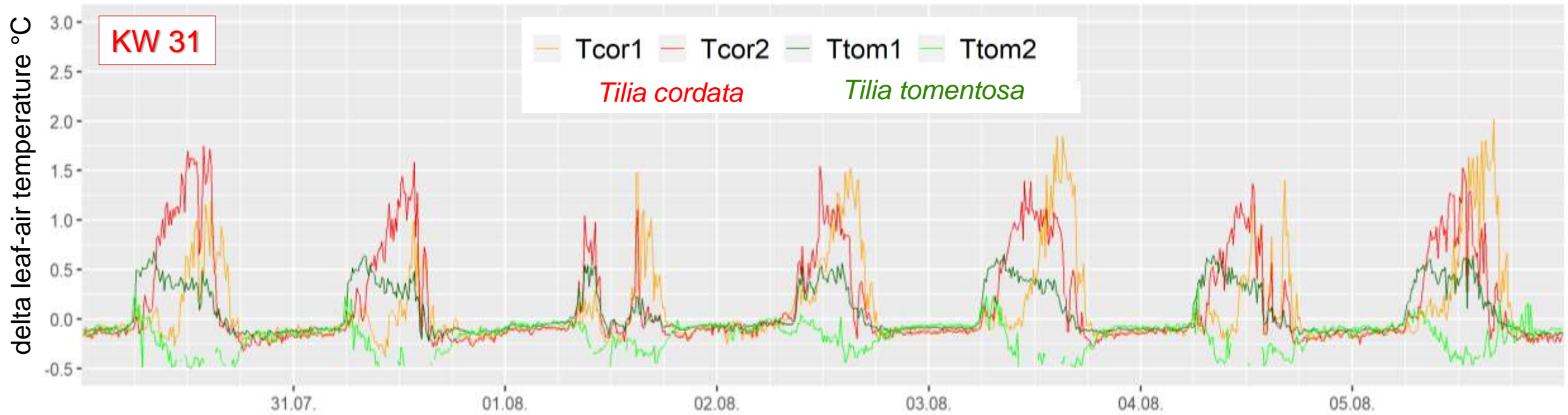
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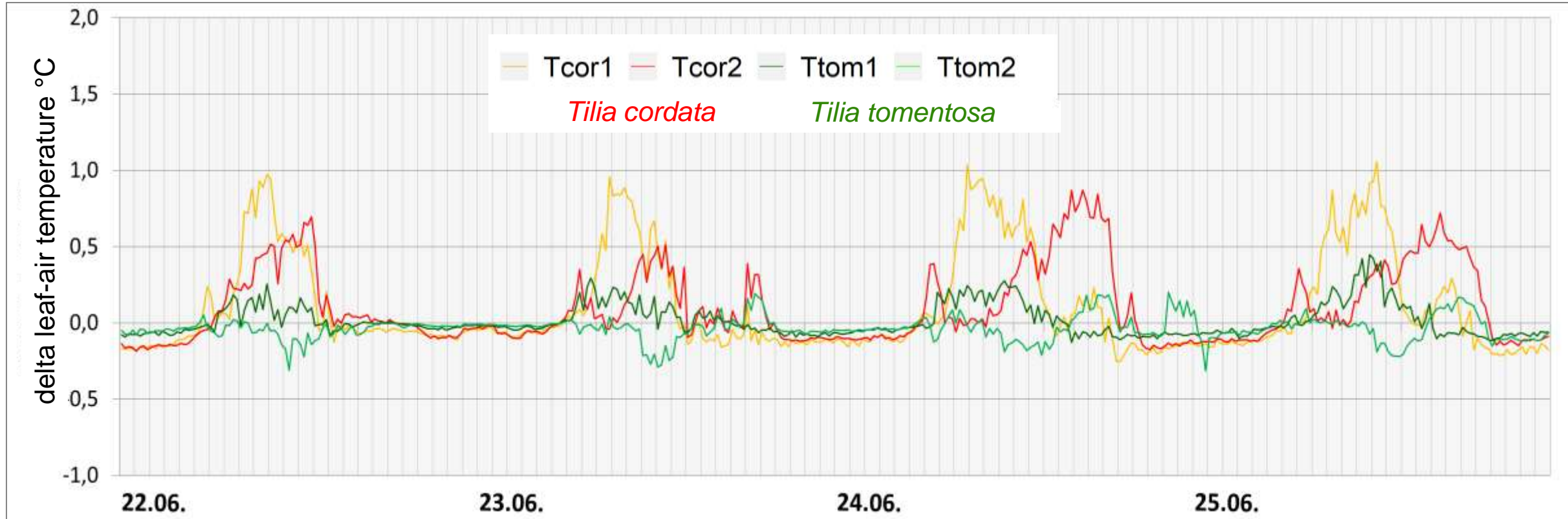


Air - leaf temperature of winter linden vs. silver linden

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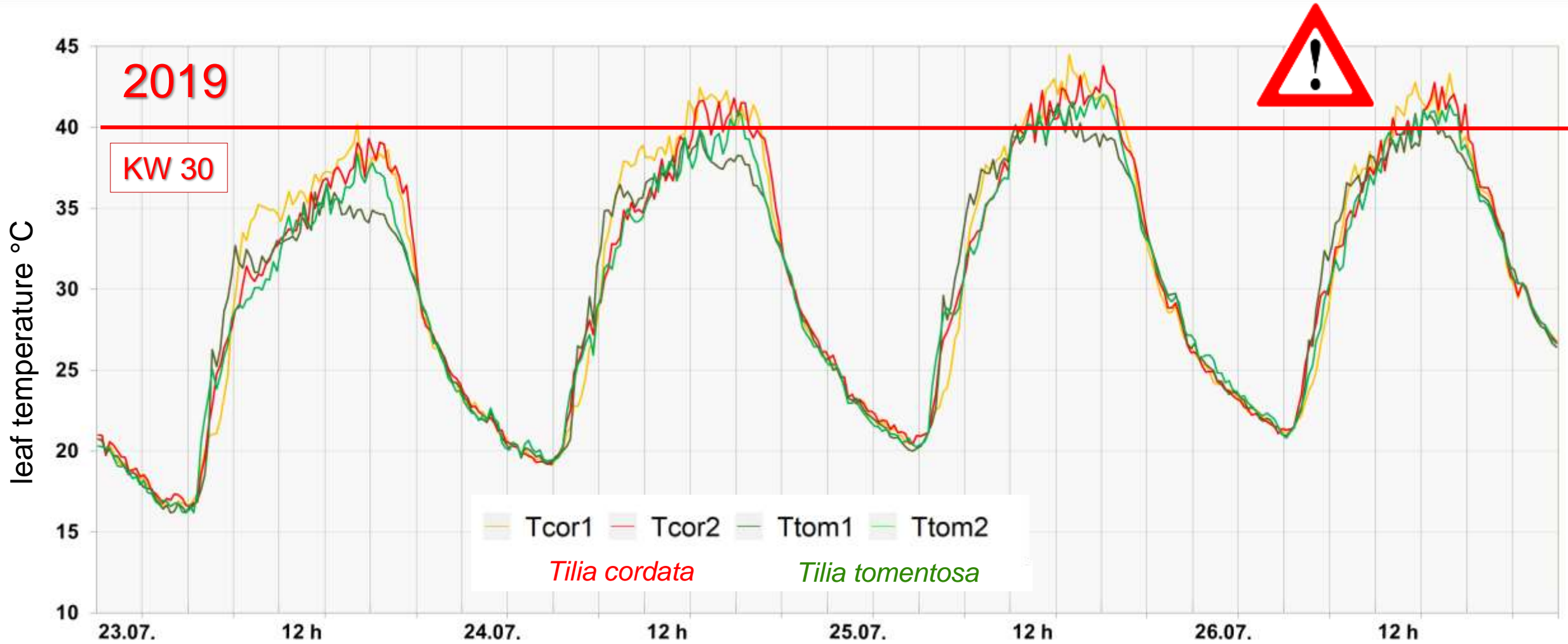
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heat acclimation of silver linden

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Hieracium pilosella



heat acclimation of silver linden

Conclusion

- Due to their origin, Southeastern European tree species are better adapted to heat and drought than native tree species.
- They can control their leaf temperatures during prolonged periods of heat to such an extent that they stay vital.
- After the end of heat waves in extreme summers, they, as well as other continental species, can compensate for assimilation losses by an extended vegetation period and, unlike common urban tree species, start the next growing season with adequate nutrient resources.



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