## Supplementary Material

**Tab. S1 -** Results of the Tukey' test on mean *MOEd* values registered in the different study plots. (*): mean difference is significant with p<0.05. (T): control; (A): light thinning; (B): intermediate thinning; (C): heavy thinning.

| (I) Treatments | (J) Treatments | Mean Difference (I-J) | Std. Error | Prob. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| A | B | 548.77037 | 334.13859 | 0.357 |
|   | C | 2536.90703* | 377.58807 | 0.000 |
|   | T | 918.50315 | 361.59205 | 0.057 |
| B | A | -548.77037 | 334.13859 | 0.357 |
|   | C | 1988.13666* | 397.81769 | 0.000 |
|   | T | 369.73279 | 382.66823 | 0.769 |
| C | A | -2536.90703* | 377.58807 | 0.000 |
|   | B | -1988.13666* | 397.81769 | 0.000 |
|   | T | -1618.40387* | 421.14028 | 0.001 |
| T | A | -918.50315 | 361.59205 | 0.057 |
|   | B | -369.73279 | 382.66823 | 0.769 |
|   | C | 1618.40387* | 421.14028 | 0.001 |