

Supplement for: Carbon cycling in mature and regrowth forests globally: a macroecological synthesis based on the global Forest Carbon (ForC) database

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Appendix S1. Duplicates and Conflicting Records within ForC

Status of duplicates and conflicting records within ForC

Generating ForC_simplified

Replicate measurements (*i.e.*, replicates from within a single study) were averaged. Records that subsumed others—*i.e.*, the time period included that of ≥ 2 other records or dates were unknown and therefore conflicted with ≥ 2 other records—were removed. For each group of duplicate records—*i.e.*, measurements of the same variable in the same plot at the same time—one record was assigned precedence (recorded in D.precedence field). When measurement periods overlapped or were not specified, precedence was given first to records representing longer measurement periods (*i.e.*, end.date - start.date) and then to more recently published values. We manually reviewed duplicates that differed only in methodology, assigning precedence to the record employing a more comprehensive approach (*e.g.*, inclusion of understory, lianas, or bamboo as opposed to just trees) or using a favored methodology.

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48 **Figure S1. Age trends and biome differences for *NEP***

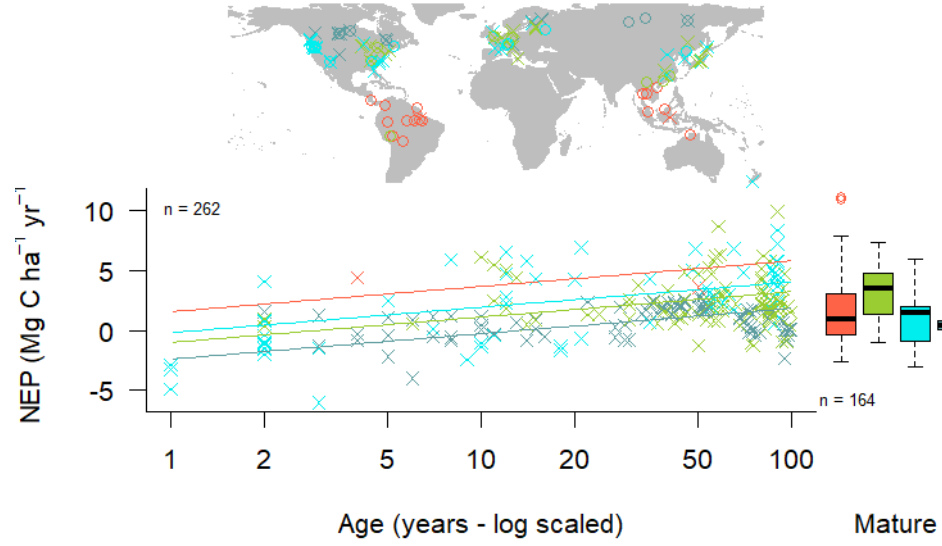


Figure S1 | Age trends and biome differences for *NEP*. Map shows data sources (x and o indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

49 **Figure S2. Age trends and biome differences for *GPP***

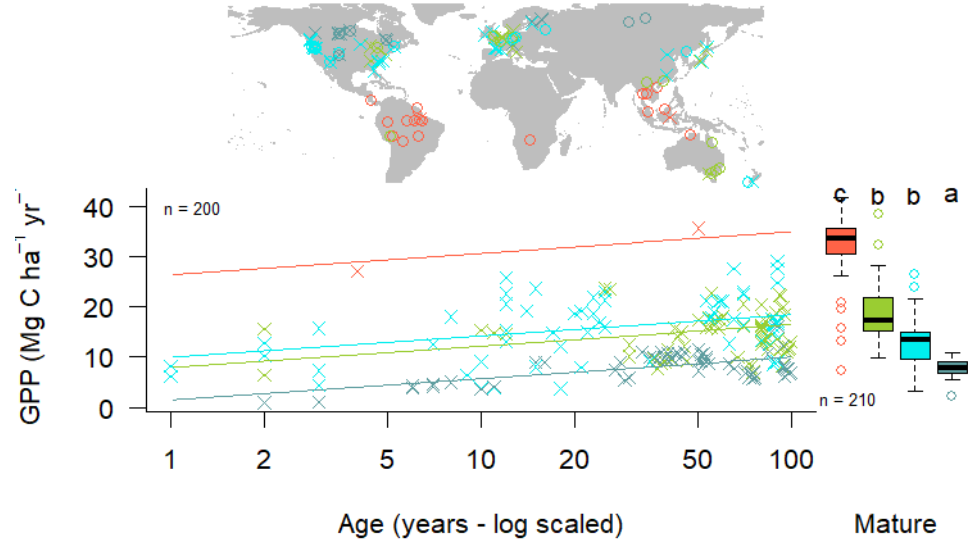


Figure S2 | Age trends and biome differences for *GPP*. Map shows data sources (*x* and *o* indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

50 **Figure S3. Age trends and biome differences for *NPP***

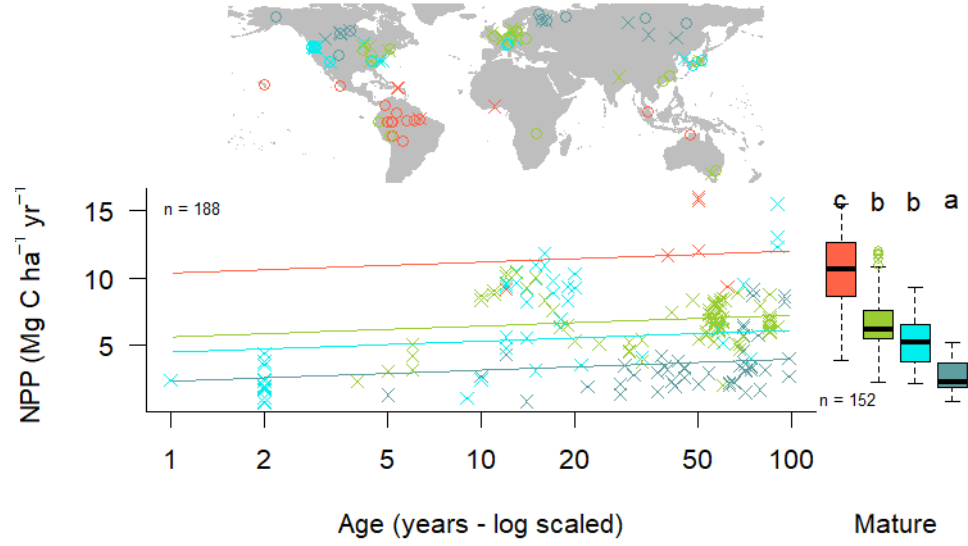


Figure S3 | Age trends and biome differences for *NPP*. Map shows data sources (x and o indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

51 **Figure S4. Age trends and biome differences for *ANPP***

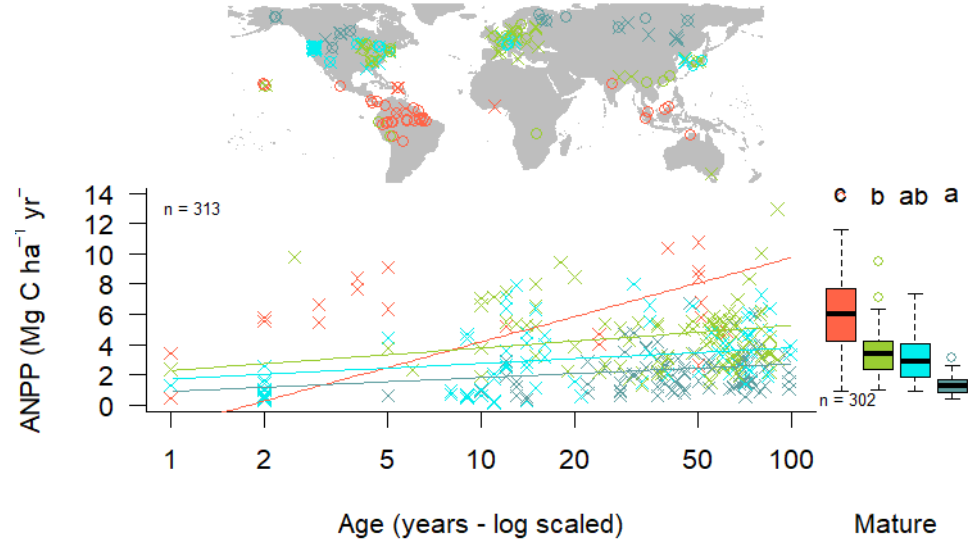


Figure S4 | Age trends and biome differences for *ANPP*. Map shows data sources (*x* and *o* indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

52 **Figure S5. Age trends and biome differences for $ANPP_{woody}$**

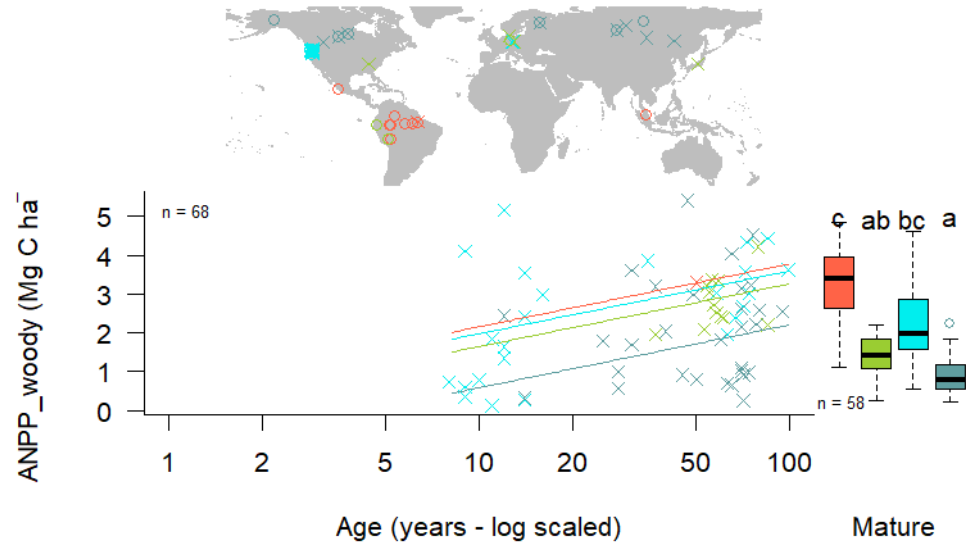


Figure S5 | Age trends and biome differences for $ANPP_{woody}$. Map shows data sources (x and o indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

53 **Figure S6.** Age trends and biome differences for $ANPP_{stem}$

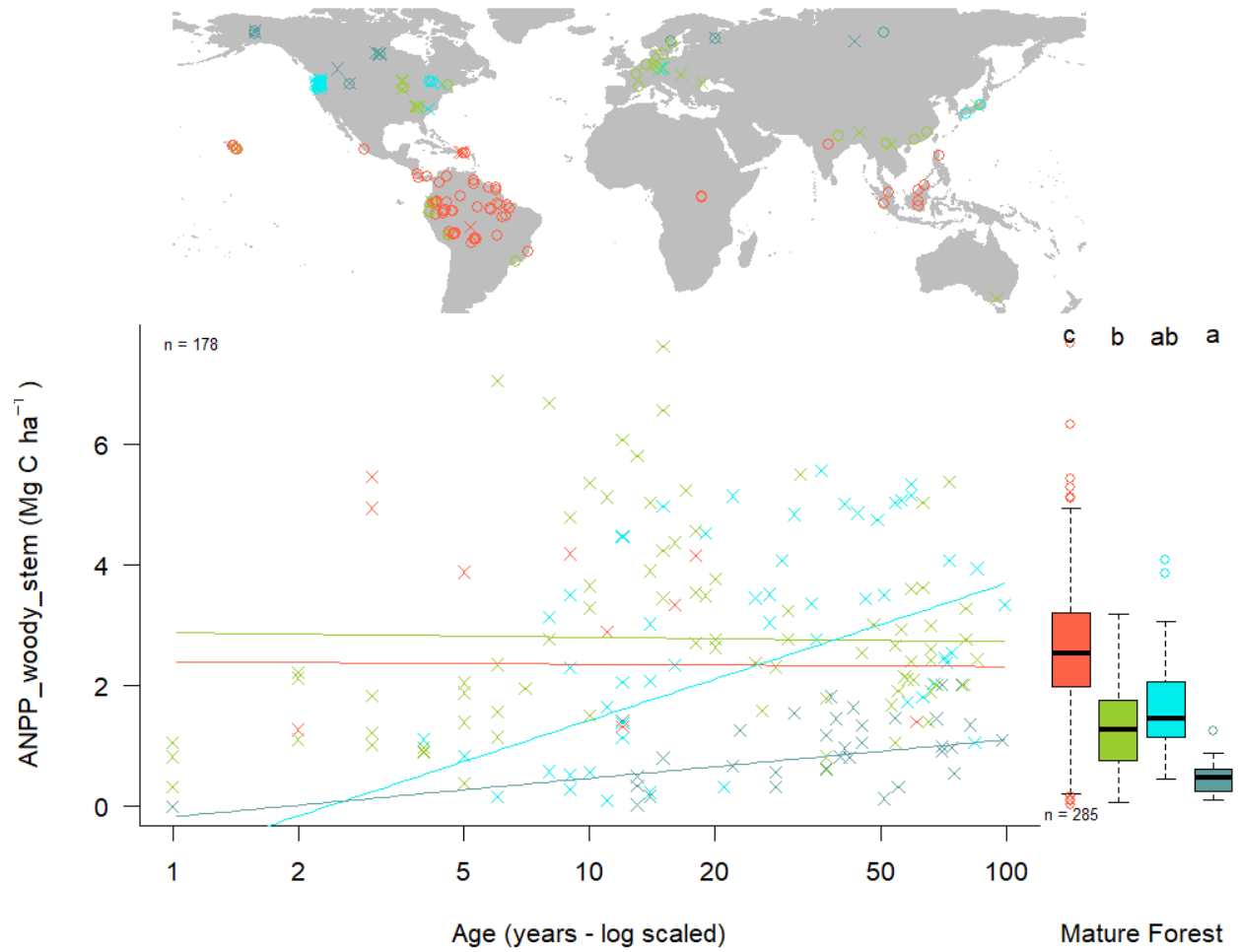


Figure S6 | Age trends and biome differences for $ANPP_{stem}$. Map shows data sources (x and o indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

54 **Figure S7.** Age trends and biome differences for $ANPP_{foliage}$

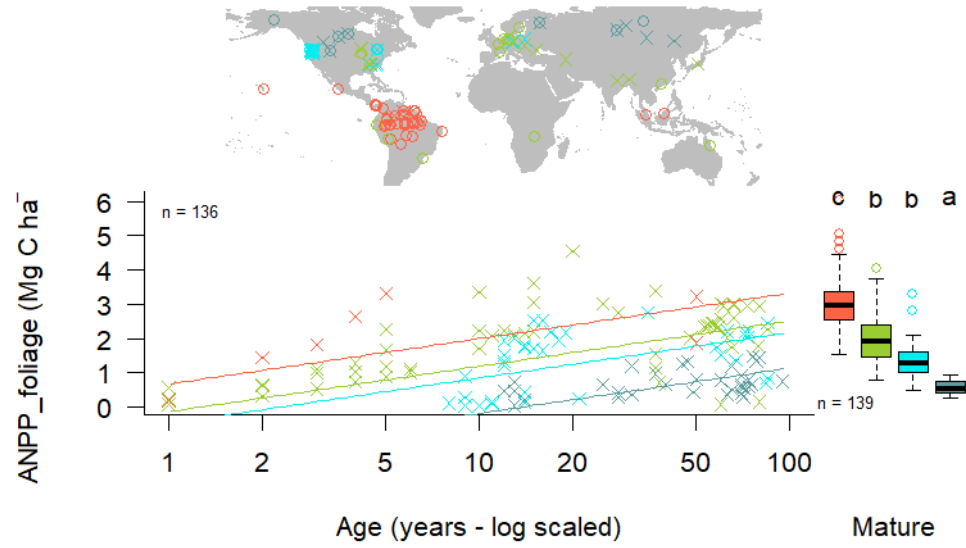


Figure S7 | Age trends and biome differences for $ANPP_{foliage}$. Map shows data sources (x and o indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

55 **Figure S8. Age trends and biome differences for $ANPP_{litterfall}$**

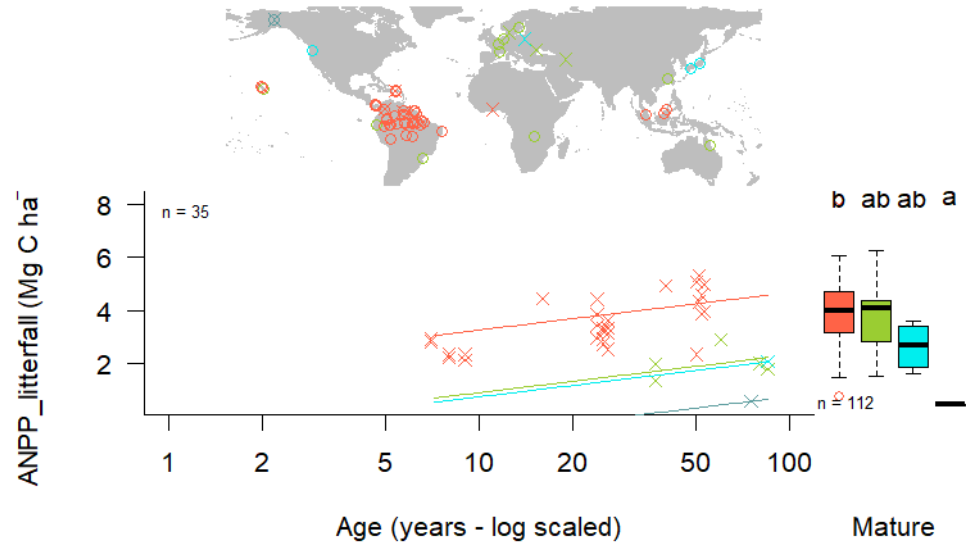


Figure S8 | Age trends and biome differences for $ANPP_{litterfall}$. Map shows data sources (x and o indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

56 **Figure S9. Age trends and biome differences for *BNPP***

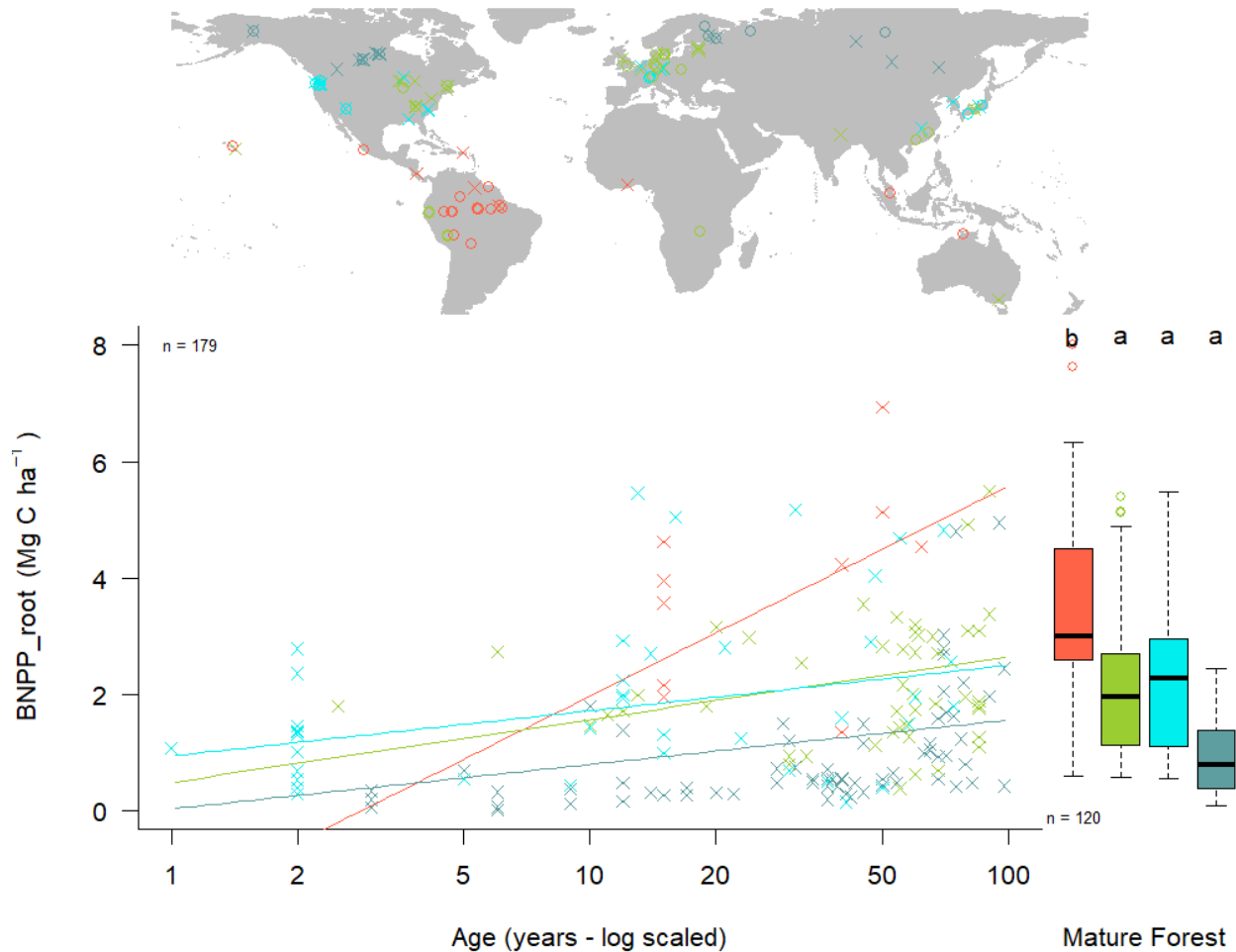


Figure S9 | Age trends and biome differences for *BNPP*. Map shows data sources (*x* and *o* indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

57 **Figure S10.** Age trends and biome differences for $BNPP_{coarse}$

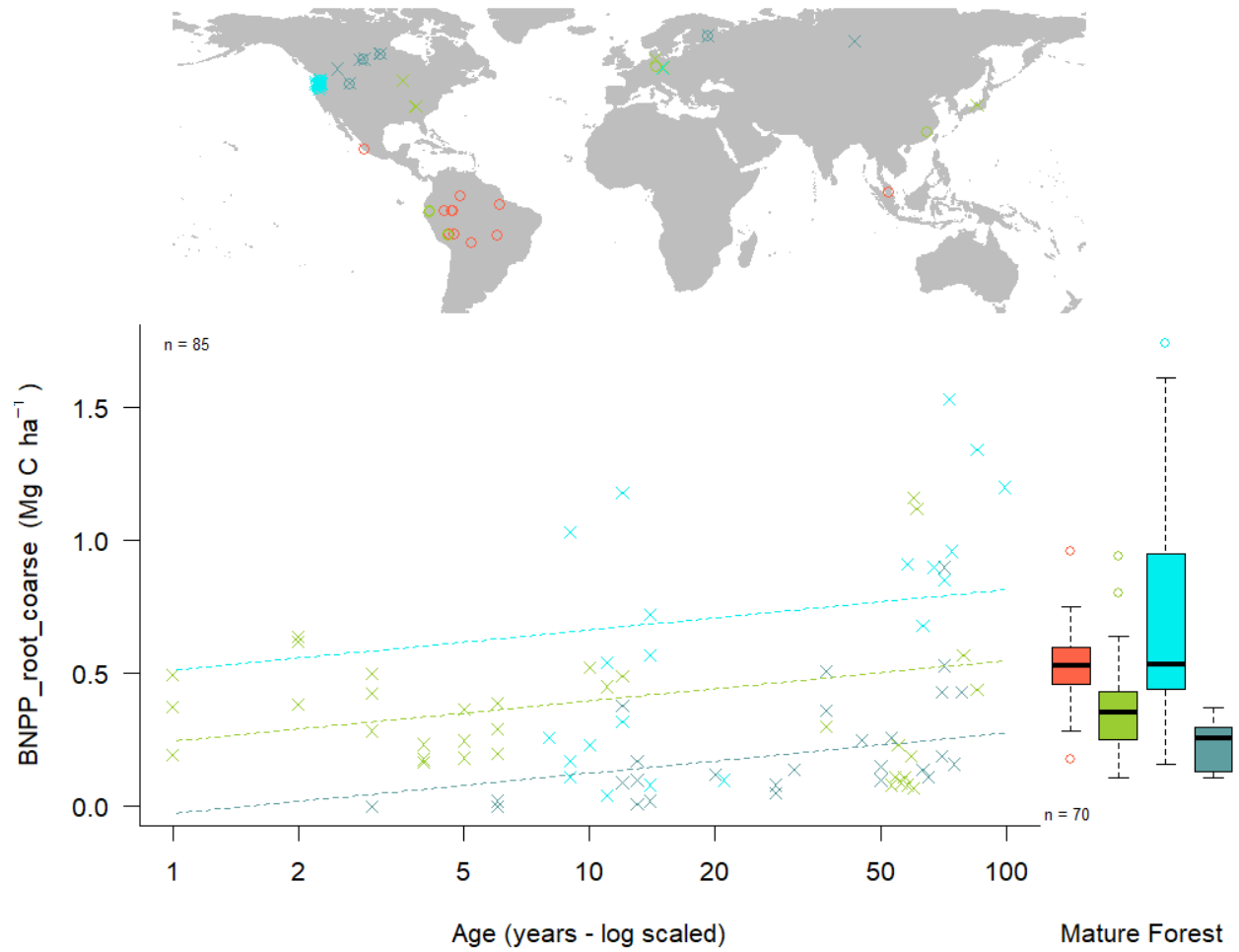


Figure S10 | Age trends and biome differences for $BNPP_{coarse}$. Map shows data sources (x and o indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

58 **Figure S11. Age trends and biome differences for $BNPP_{fine}$**

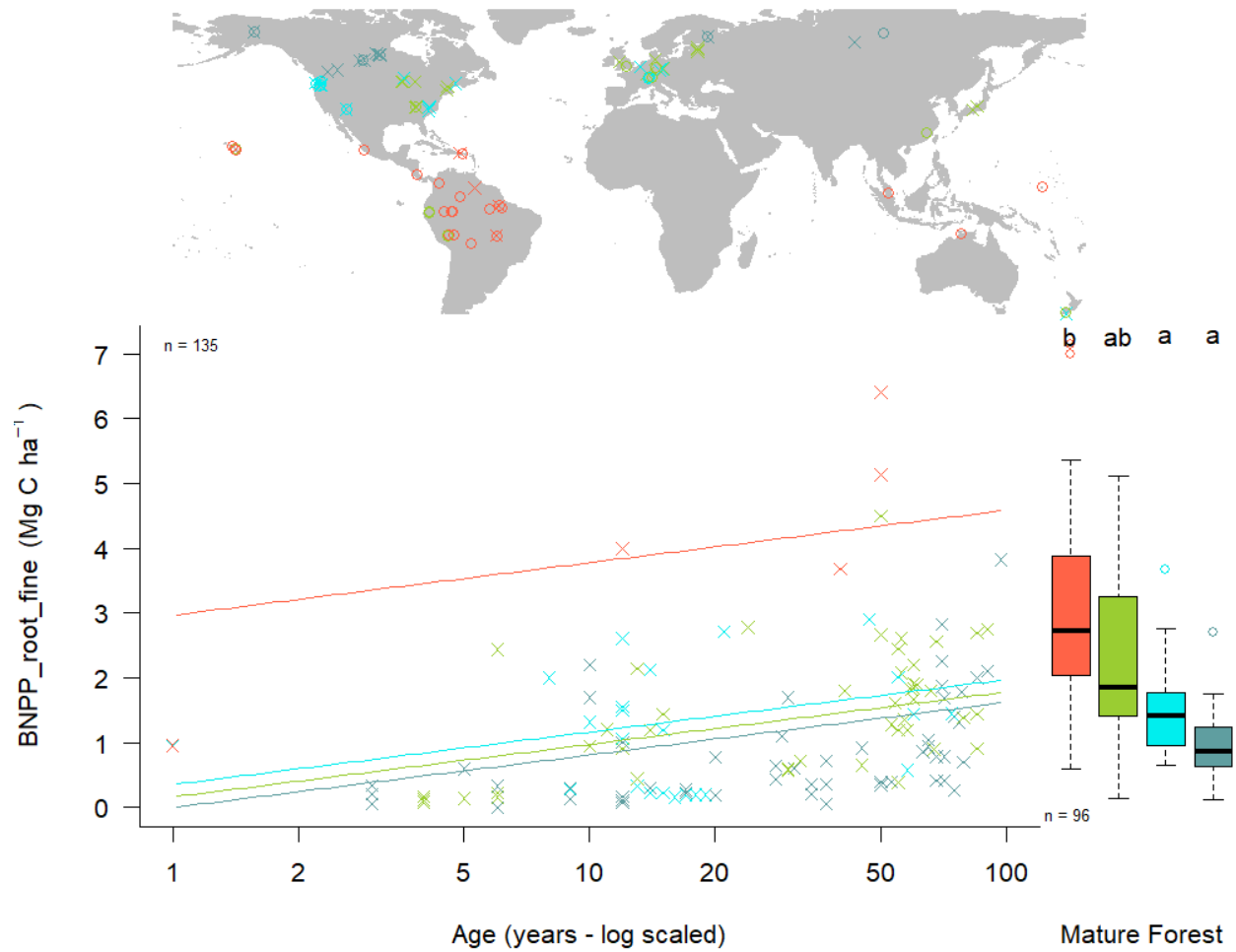


Figure S11 | Age trends and biome differences for $BNPP_{fine}$. Map shows data sources (x and o indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

59 **Figure S12. Age trends and biome differences for R_{eco}**

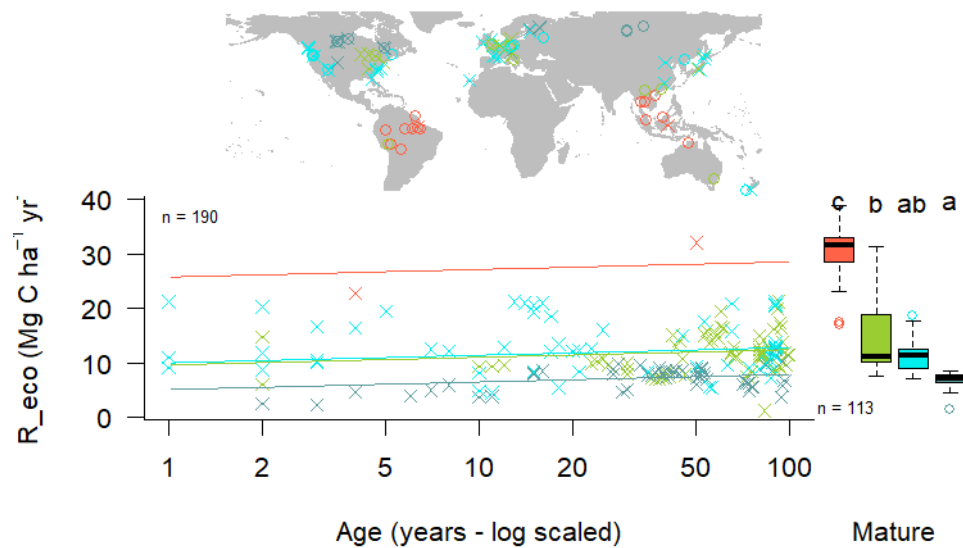


Figure S12 | Age trends and biome differences for R_{eco} . Map shows data sources (x and o indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

60 **Figure S13. Age trends and biome differences for R_{root}**

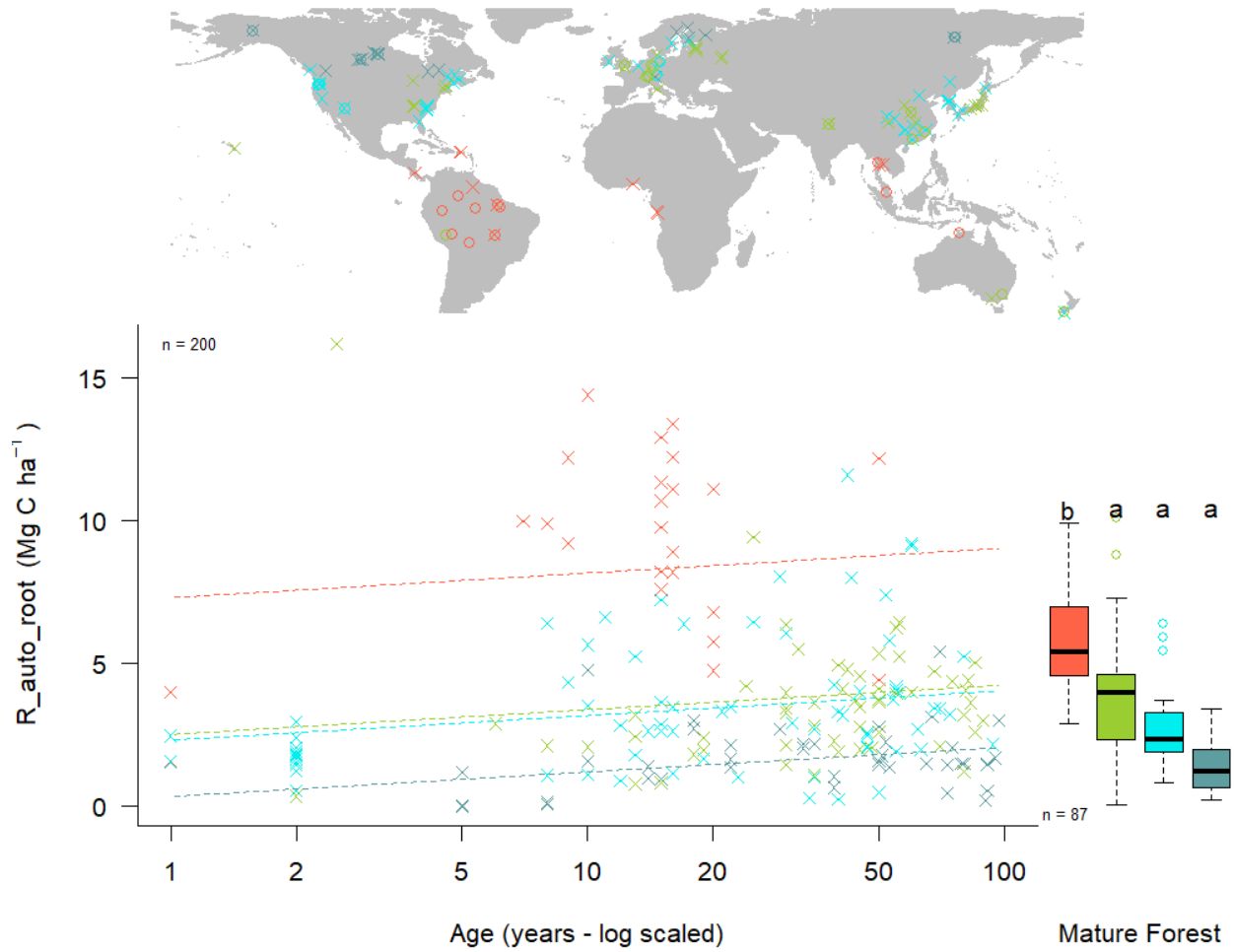


Figure S13 | Age trends and biome differences for R_{root} . Map shows data sources (x and o indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

61 **Figure S14. Age trends and biome differences for R_{soil}**

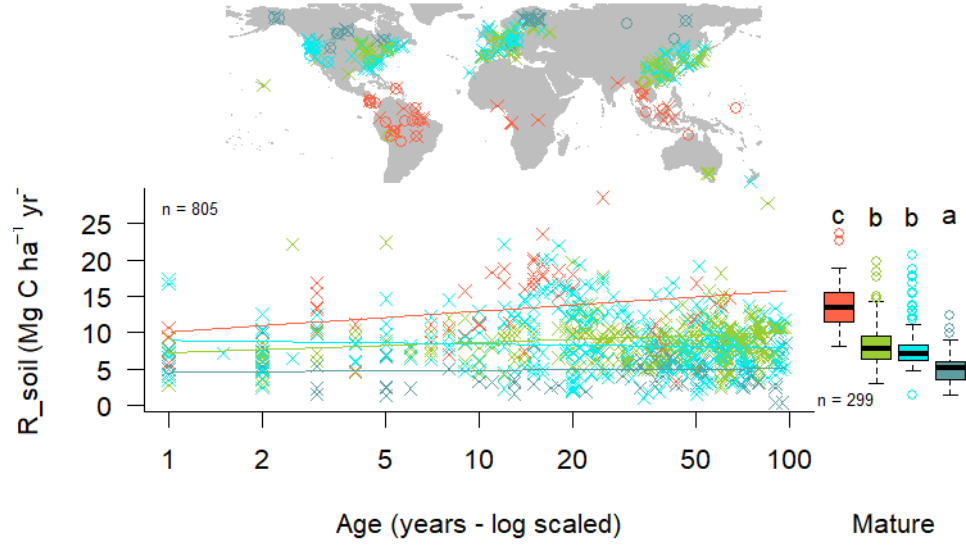


Figure S14 | Age trends and biome differences for R_{soil} . Map shows data sources (x and o indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

62 **Figure S15. Age trends and biome differences for $R_{het-soil}$**

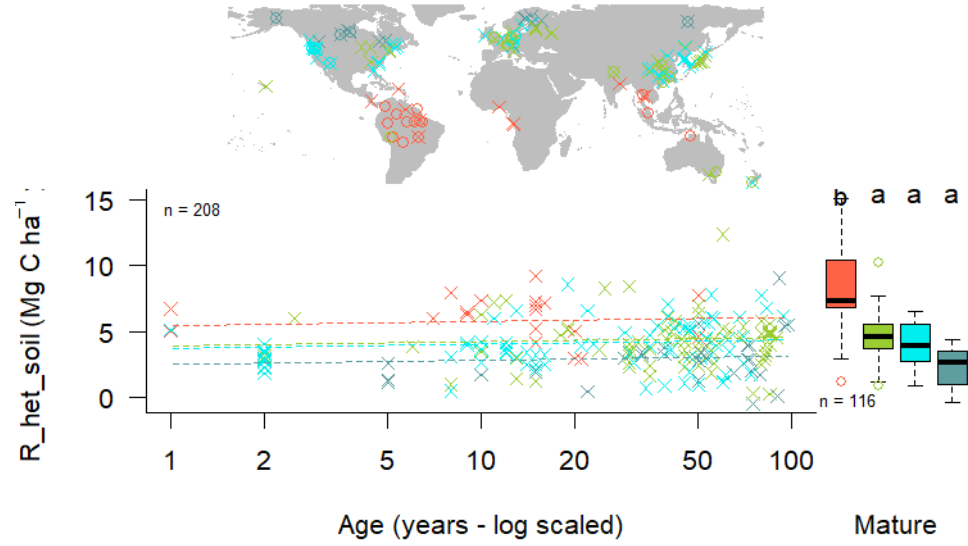


Figure S15 | Age trends and biome differences for $R_{het-soil}$. Map shows data sources (x and o indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

63 **Figure S16. Age trends and biome differences for B_{tot}**

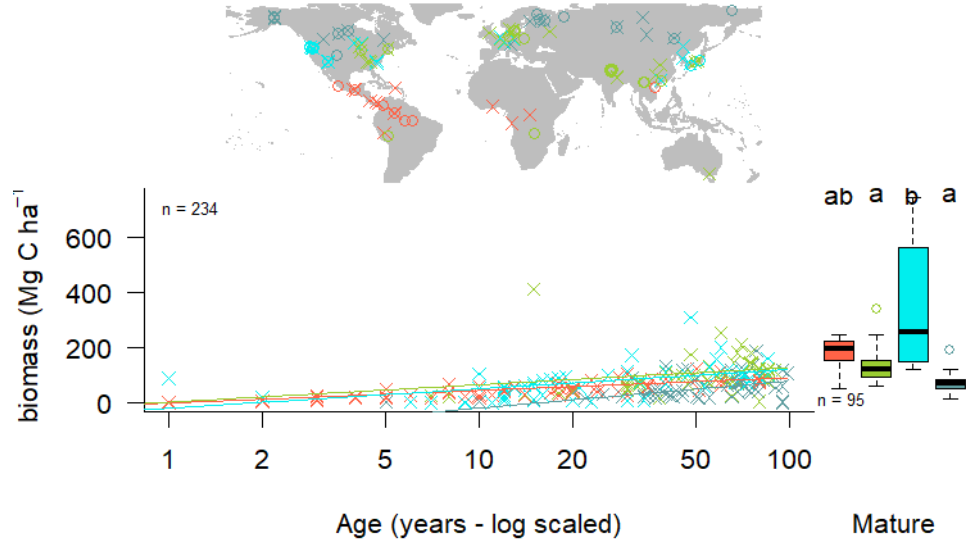


Figure S16 | Age trends and biome differences for B_{tot} . Map shows data sources (x and o indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

64 **Figure S17. Age trends and biome differences for B_{ag}**

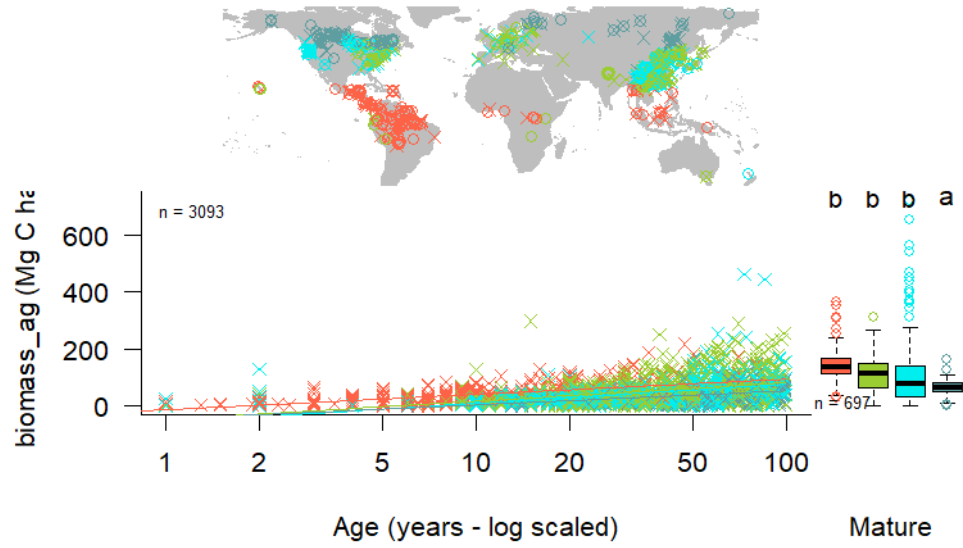


Figure S17 | Age trends and biome differences for B_{ag} . Map shows data sources (x and o indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

65 **Figure S18. Age trends and biome differences for $B_{ag-wood}$**

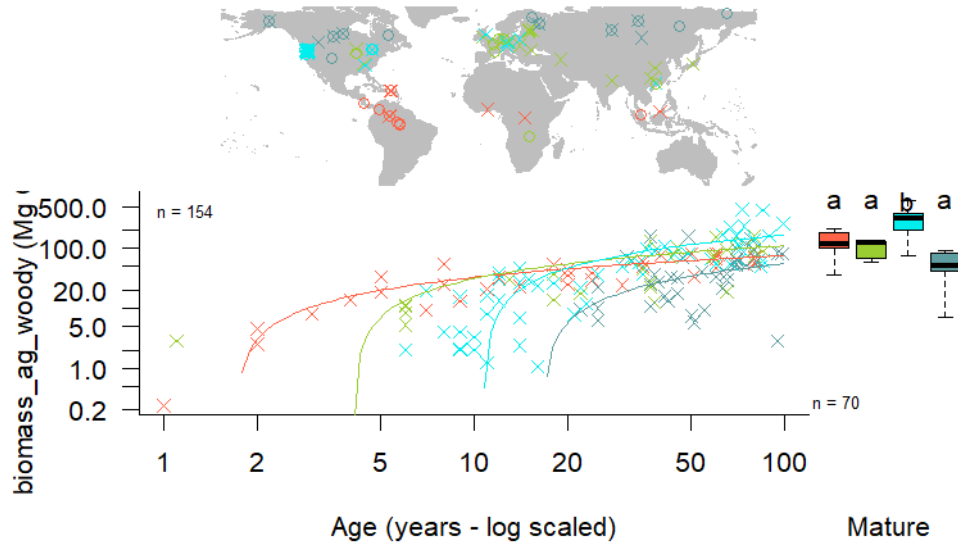


Figure S18 | Age trends and biome differences for $B_{ag-wood}$. Map shows data sources (x and o indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

66 **Figure S19. Age trends and biome differences for $B_{foliage}$**

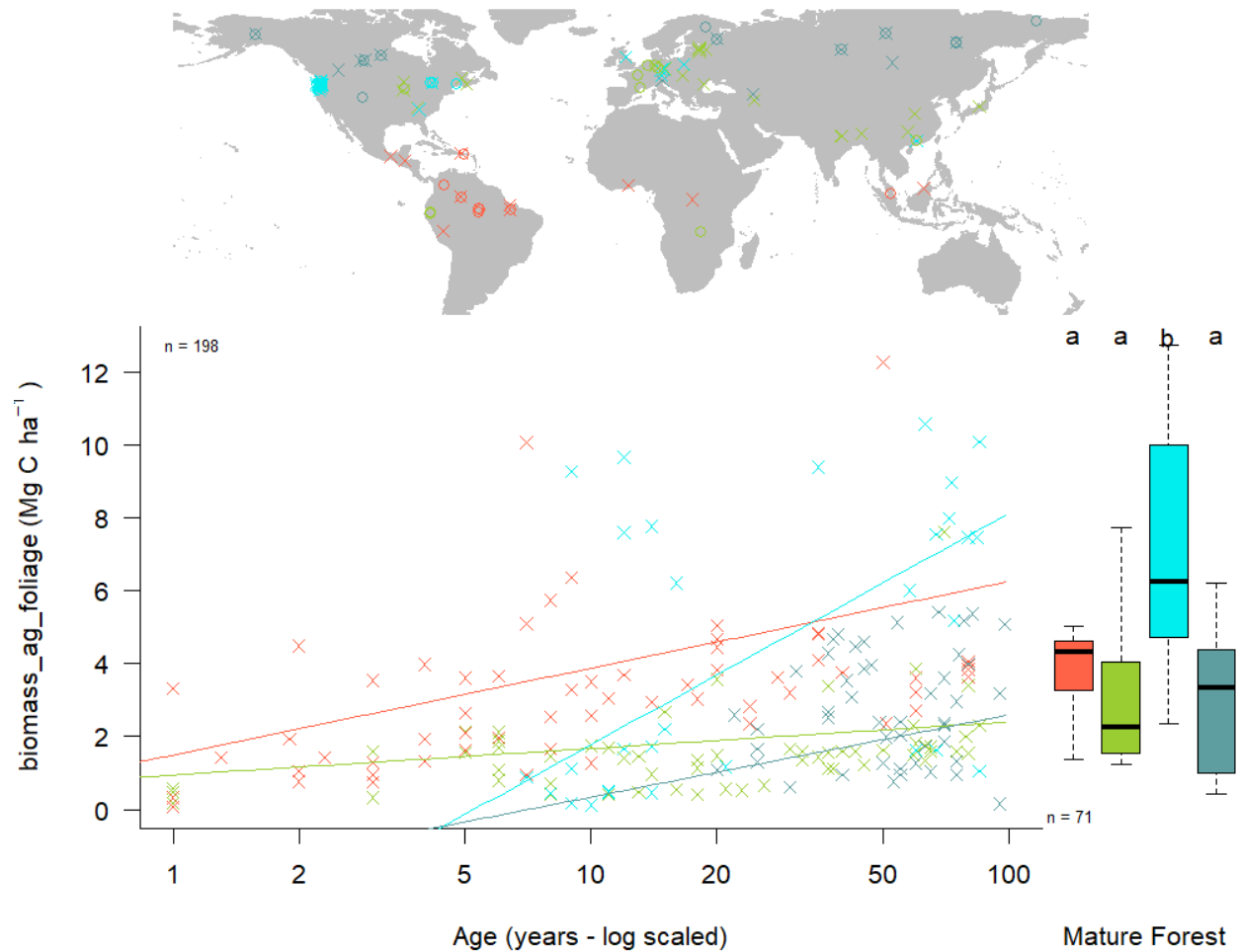


Figure S19 | Age trends and biome differences for $B_{foliage}$. Map shows data sources (x and o indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

67 **Figure S20. Age trends and biome differences for B_{root}**

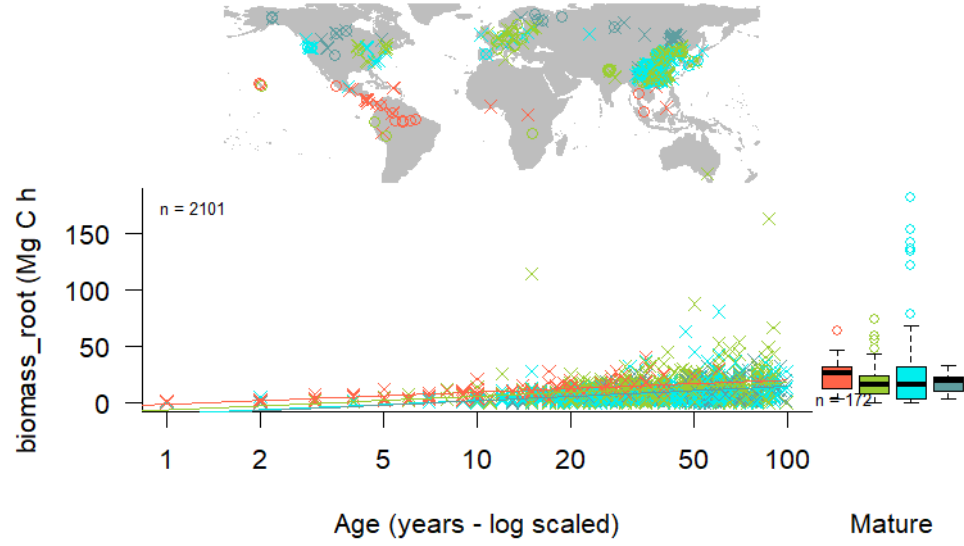


Figure S20 | Age trends and biome differences for B_{root} . Map shows data sources (x and o indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.

68 **Figure S21.** Age trends and biome differences for $B_{root-coarse}$

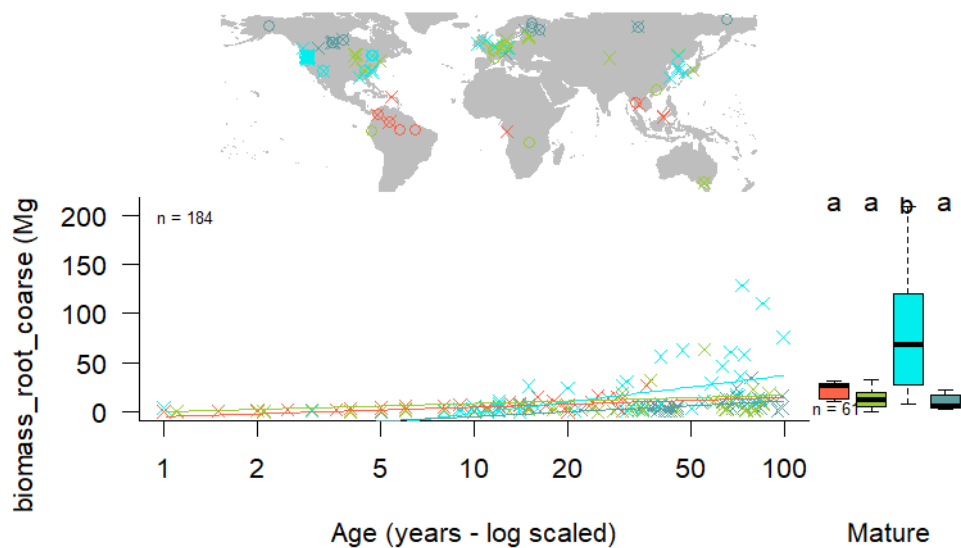


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69 **Figure S22. Age trends and biome differences for $B_{root-fine}$**

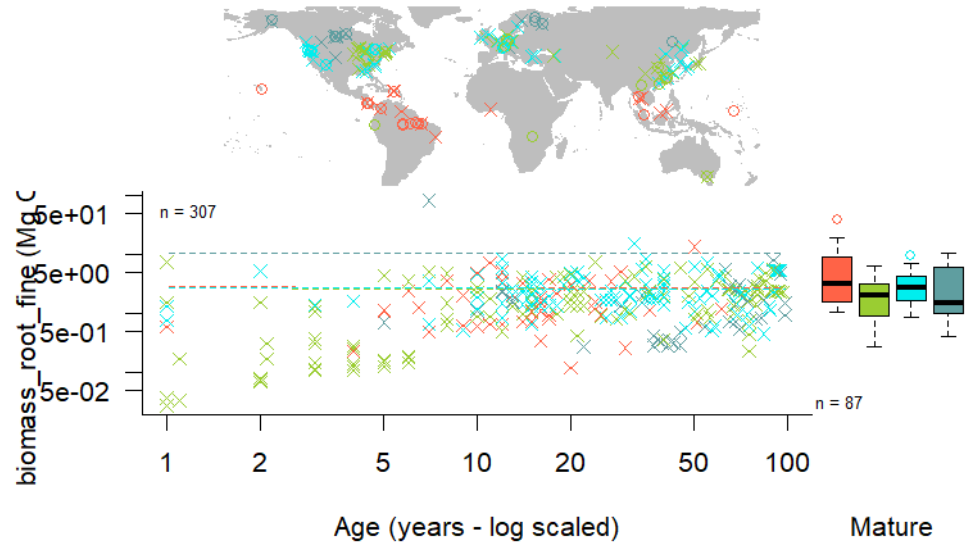


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70 **Figure S23. Age trends and biome differences for DW_{tot}**

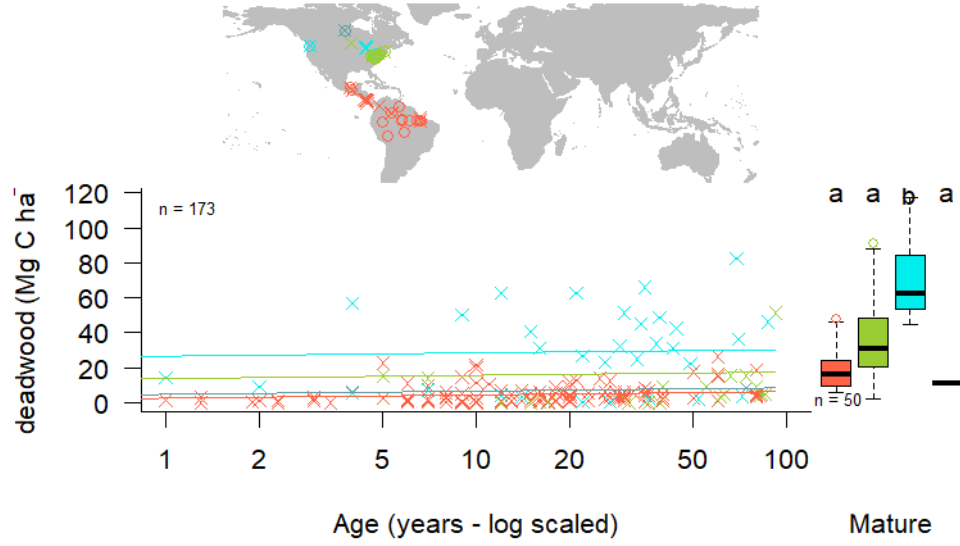


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71 **Figure S24.** Age trends and biome differences for $DW_{standing}$

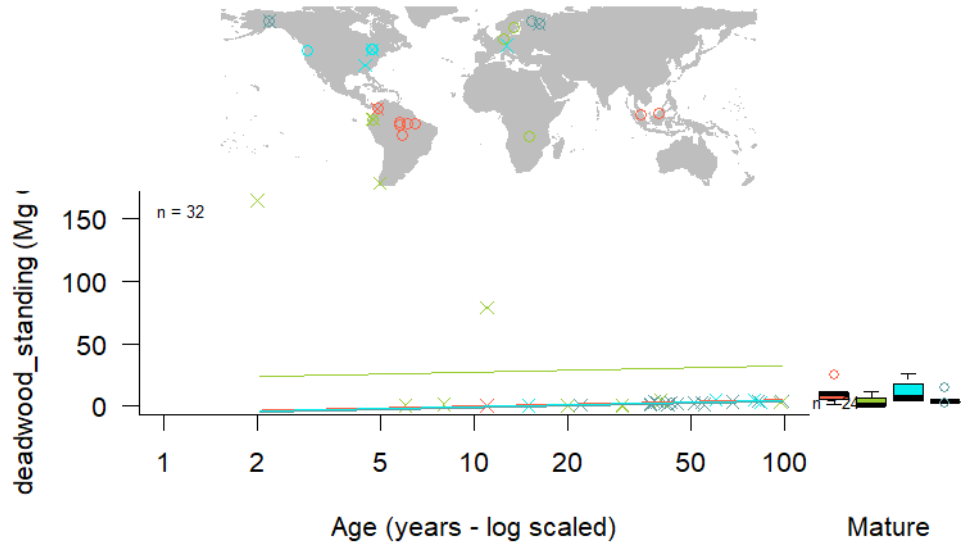


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72 **Figure S25. Age trends and biome differences for DW_{down}**

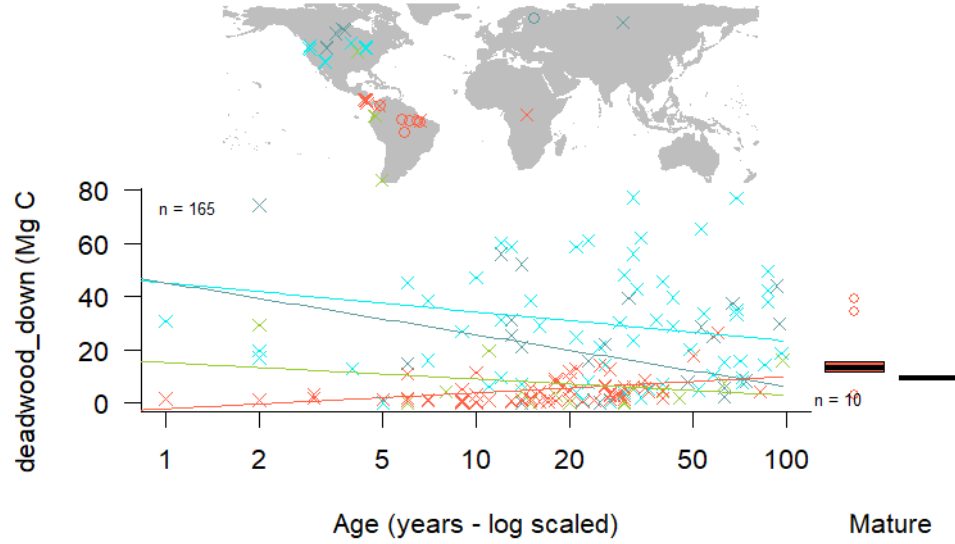


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73 **Figure S26. Age trends and biome differences for *OL***

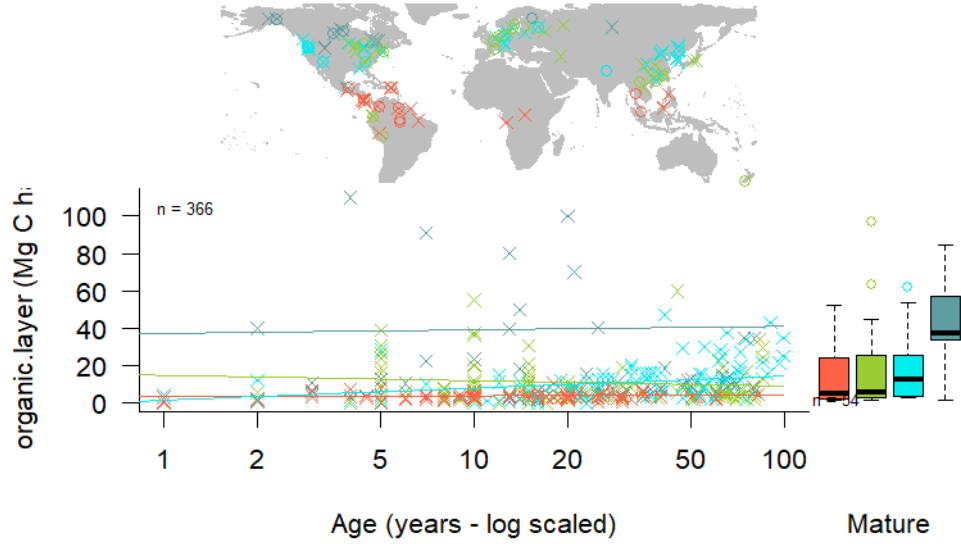


Figure S26 | Age trends and biome differences for *OL*. Map shows data sources (x and o indicate young and mature stands, respectively). Left plot shows age trends in forests up to 100 years old, as characterized by a linear mixed effects model with fixed effects of age and biome. Solid lines indicate significant effect of age, non-parallel lines indicate a significant age x biome interaction. Boxplot illustrates distribution across mature forests, with different letters indicating significant differences between biomes.