



Effects of Different Management Practices on Structural Diversity of Pine Forests

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Pinus is one of the most important forest tree genera in the world. It includes more than 100 species found primarily in the temperate and subtropical zone of the northern hemisphere. One of the economically and ecologically important tree species of this genus found in European forests is the Scots pine (*Pinus sylvestris* L.). Scots pine forests are usually managed according to even-aged silviculture, leading to the simplification of forest structure. In view of the changes observed in the environment due to climate change, as well as changes in the public's perception of the forest, it seems necessary to find an alternative way of managing pine stands aimed at greater diversification of the structure and conducive to adaptation of these stands to new environmental conditions in the 21st century. This will require modification of the current methods of regeneration and thinning treatments. This Special Issue of *Forests* aims to provide the latest knowledge on alternative management of pine forests, particularly focusing on regeneration methods, thinning treatments, and nature conservation.





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