

1. General comments

During the last decade, substantial emissions of methane (CH₄) from stem surface of mature trees have been reported in various tree species which are capable of surviving the anoxic soil condition in temperate and tropical wetland forests. Researchers have been trying to clarify the underlying mechanisms and potential rate-controlling factors of tree-mediated CH₄ transport/emission, and to evaluate the relative contribution of stem CH₄ emission in the total CH₄ flux of the ecosystems or global CH₄ budget. It requires intensive gas flux measurements at stem surface of canopy trees, in terms of space and time, to clarify the whole nature of tree-mediated CH₄ emission, because CH₄ emission rates from tree stems have been reported to vary significantly among tree individuals, size and species, and seasonally as well. This technical note deals with the development of a newly-designed semi-rigid gas flux chamber which has various advantages over conventional rigid chambers in the field measurement of gas exchange at tree stem surface. Volume accuracy and permeability of the newly-designed chambers were compared to the conventional rigid chamber in the laboratory, and the examples of CH₄ flux measurements using the semi-rigid chamber in the fields are also shown in this paper. The aims of the paper are quite clear and relevant, and there seems to be no problem in logical composition and data reliability. I would recommend that this technical note could be acceptable after minor revisions commented below.

2. Specific comments

[P.16026, L.8] There is no description on the definition of “Sstem” appearing in the equation 6. Its definition should be added in the text just above the equation.

Authors: We changed the text at L5-L6 to: “...by considering the sector (K) of the **stem** surface (**S_{stem}**) covered by the chamber at the circumference of the stem...”

[P.16026, L.8] In the equation 6, I suppose that a term “ π ” may be not necessary.

Authors: Indeed, we removed it.

[P.16027, L.9] Information on the trees used in the field test of the chambers, i.e., the number of trees for each tree species, and DBH and height of the trees, should be added here.

Authors: At line L7 we inserted: “on twelve tree-stems (diameter at breast height: 25-45 cm)” at the place of “on various” which we deleted.

[P.16030, L.7-13] The authors attribute the variability in observed volume of the sleeve or chamber to the compaction of the Neoprene form. If so, the observed volumes (V'_{tot}) are supposed to be always smaller than the theoretical ones (V_{tot}). However, the observed values are sometimes larger than the theoretical ones for the large sleeve and for the rigid chamber (Supplement S1). There might be some other causes for the variability in actual volume of the sleeves (chambers).

Authors: 1) As we state on page 16030, the “This compaction was less than 3% of V_{tot} , which was a maximum considering the pulling force of 200N applied on the straps (twice 100 N). In reality, it is much less as we used just a fraction of the full strength. A little tension is enough to seal the chamber.

2) The observed values V'_{tot} are used to calibrate the theoretical V_{tot} . The idea of making these comparisons was to provide new chamber users with an idea of the accuracy when volumes are

pragmatically calculated from chamber sizes, and to show that it is alright to do so, although the dilution will calibrate it.

3) We made a small mistake when calculating the theoretical volume V_{tot} of the rigid chamber. The mistake only changes very slightly some values and has absolutely no consequences on the drawn conclusions.

Thereafter:

In Table 1 for the rigid chamber we updated H (30), S_c (1413), V_c (13165), V_{tot} (13581), P (14.62), RSE of P (1.86). At the footnote of Table 1 we changed the volume inaccuracy to 4.1 for the rigid chamber.

In supplement S1 we updated H (30), S_c (1413), V_c (13165), V_{tot} (13581), J ($-7.9 \cdot 10^{-6}$), P ($1.46 \cdot 10^{-6}$) and volume Inaccuracy (4.09)

In supplement S2 for the rigid chamber we changed H (30), V_c (2120), EC (1413), CD (154) and CD/EC (0.109), and for the semi-rigid chamber we changed H (30), V_c (13164), EC (1413), CD (333) and CD/EC (0.236)

We further updated the text with:

P16024 L19: “30” instead of “28”

P16030 L9: “13581” instead of “12702”

P16031 L12: “14.1x” instead of “13.2x”, and “9.7x” instead of “9.0x”

P16031 L28: “2.17x” instead of “2.19x”

4) For the cause for the smaller V_{tot} of large sleeves at P16034 L4 we added: “The average 33 cm³ greater V'_{tot} values as compared to V_{tot} for the large sleeve can be attributed to the volume of the wedges that were also undergoing a compaction when deployed as the interior periphery gets compressed. This tiny volume correction was not inserted in formula 4 for the sake of simplicity and because the difference with the calibration was still below 5%.”

[P.16030, L.21-22] There is no description, in any part of the manuscript including the Table 1, on how “the overall inaccuracy for the permeability” was calculated.

Authors: To make it clearer we replaced the text at P16030 L15-22 with: “By dividing the absolute value of the bias through the predicted value we get an estimate of the inaccuracy of V_{tot} (chamber, tubes and detector’s cell). As all terms of the fraction (Eq. 4) are linearly dependent, the inaccuracy of the permeability (P) is the quadratic mean of all other terms (Table 1, footnote). The gas exchange surface (S_c) could be precisely determined and we assume that there is no error associated to it. The inaccuracies in the concentration measurements are dependent on the uncertainty of the UGGA, which in our case was <1% for the un-calibrated device.”

The error propagation formula is placed in the footnote of Table 1. We updated the inaccuracies for the permeability as those were approximations based on sums, which were always bigger than the propagation calculations. Thereafter, at P16042 Table 1 footnote, we changed “...Summed up overall inaccuracies: ” with “Permeability inaccuracies*: ” and added one line below: “*Calculated from error propagation formula:

$$\frac{dP}{|P|} \leq \sqrt{\left(\frac{dC}{|C|}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dV}{|V|}\right)^2} + \sqrt{dC^2 + dC_{atm}^2} \cong \sqrt{\left(\frac{dV}{|V|}\right)^2} + 2$$

[P.16031, L.1] “The relative standard error (RSE)” should be followed by “of the initial concentration (Co)” for more explicit explanation.

Authors: We changed it exactly the way you suggested it at L1.

[P.16034, L.9-11] The authors should cite some related articles regarding the minimization of potential errors in gas exchange measurement by a chamber.

Authors: Good idea. We inserted these references at the end of the sentence: “(Christiansen et al., 2011; Hutchinson and Livingston, 2001; Juszczak, 2013; Pihlatie et al., 2013)”.

[P.16036, L.2-3] Surface of tree bark is often rough and has many cracks, especially when some wetland tree species, such as *Alnus* or *Fraxinus* spp. are selected for the measurement of stem methane flux. So, the expression of “In very rare case” seems to be not appropriate.

Authors: This is true. What we wrote was more related to our own work and we understand that in the scope of generalisation it is better to change the text into: “In some situations,…”

[Supplement S1] At the end of the table caption, there is the expression of “difference between V_{tot} (predicted) and V_{tot} (observed)”. Is this correct? I suppose that it may be “difference between V_{tot} (predicted) and V_{tot} (observed) divided by V_{tot}”.

Authors: We changed it as reviewer 1 suggested.

[Supplement S4] In this series of tables, two data sets, i.e. Run 4 (#518-#623) and Run 6 (#734-840), are annotated by a word of “Bad” in the column of tree species, which seems to mean those two runs were the flux measurements with gas leakage between inside and outside of a sleeve. In the text (P.16032, L.16-18) and Figure 6, however, the measurements with leakage were the Run 3 and 6. Please recheck the data regarding this discrepancy.

Authors: There is indeed an assignment error in the table S4. The “Bad”, which we have changed to “Leaking” has been assigned to Run 3 instead of Run 4. The examples we chose are indeed on *Betula* (Run 3) and *Pinus* (Run 6).

3. Suggestions for technical corrections

[P.16027, L.6] The “Table 1” is referred at the end of this sentence. As the “Table 1” shows the results of laboratory measurements on volume accuracy and permeability of the three types of chambers, it seems a bit strange that the table is referred in the sentence mentioning the field deployment of the chamber. If the authors intend to show the dimensions of the chamber used in the field test, those information should be described in the text.

Authors: In a technical note, it is good practice to keep the paper short. To meet this requirement, we opted to use a table in the method section if the information is relevant. Adding text would be redundant. We prefer to leave it unchanged.

[P.16027, L.8] There is a typing error; “*Betula Pendula*” should be “*Betula pendula*”.

Authors: We changed the “P” into “p”

Review of Siegenthaler, Welch, Pangala, Peacock, and Gauci 'Technical Note: Semi-rigid chambers for methane gas flux measurements on tree-stems' submitted to Biogeosciences Discussions.

Overview and recommendation.

This paper describes the building and testing of semi-rigid chambers for measuring the flux of gases, in this case methane (CH₄), from tree trunks. The authors provide a good rationale for the study; there is, indeed, a need to understand more about the importance of fluxes of CH₄ from trees to the overall flux of CH₄ from a range of wetland ecosystems. The presentation is mostly clear and easy to follow, and the testing of the new types of chambers appears to have been carried out rigorously. I think the paper will be of interest to a reasonably wide constituency of researchers interested in CH₄ emissions from wetlands and climate-change scientists interested in modelling the source strength of different land cover types. Given the above, the paper would be a useful addition to the literature. However, the paper does contain quite a few errors. Most of these are minor grammatical or typographical errors, but in some places the descriptions and explanations could be clearer. Additionally, there may be one or two errors in the way the work was done. I recommend these minor errors are addressed before the paper is published. My detailed comments are appended below.

Page 16020, line 8. Sentence starting "We compared...". The structure of this sentence is a little awkward. I recommend re-wording.

Authors: We re-worded it: "We compared the CH₄ permeability of the new semi-rigid chambers with that of the more traditional rigid chamber approach,..."

Page 16020, line 19. Add '(CH₄)' after "methane"?

Authors: We inserted "(CH₄)" just after "methane"

Page 16021, line 8. "flux rates". A flux is a rate; the "rate" here is redundant. I recommend correcting this expression wherever it appears in the document.

Authors: We replaced "flux rates" by "fluxes"

Page 16021, line 11. What does "ventilate" here mean? Open the chamber to ambient air or fit it with a fan (or something else)? The explanation here could be a little clearer.

Authors: We made it clearer by adding, "circulate the air in their headspace" just after "making it important to" instead of "ventilate".

Page 16021, line 16. Can something become "progressively obsolete"?

Authors: We deleted "progressively"

Page 16022, line 4. "and therefore voids underestimations due to non-optimal integrations" is quite awkward; I recommend re-wording in simpler language.

Authors: We re-worded it with: "and therefore it also avoids underestimations due to regressions made over longer periods of time"

Page 16022, line 9. "the use of a smaller stem chamber with a larger gas" Page 16022, line 13. Delete the comma after "challenge".

Authors: done.

Page 16023, line 3. "reduced greenhouse gases" is a rather odd expression. Do you simply mean gases produced in anaerobic conditions?

Authors: Yes, we changed it.

Page 16023, line 5. No capital P needed in "polyethylene".

Authors: done.

Page 16023, line 11. Comma needed after "approach".

Authors: done.

Page 16023, line 18. Which STP was used? There are 'competing' STPs. Did you use that of IUPAC?

Authors: We modified the text: "standard ambient temperature and pressure (SATP from UIPAC) at line 18. We also changed "STP" into "SATP" at P16027 line 22 as well as at P16029 line 18.

Page 16023, line 23. "but is hardly compressible" – under what loading?

Authors: We specified this at page 16024 Line 13. To make easier for the reader we add "with 200 N" after " $\leq 3\%$ " at line 23.

Page 16024, line 2 Here and elsewhere in the document I think this should be "Los Gatos Research Inc., Mountain View, CA, USA".

Authors: Done.

Page 16024, line 4. "Polyvinyl Chloride" – capital letters not needed.

Authors: Done.

Page 16024, line 6. Vent tubes were used. How much did these affect leakage/permeability? I'm not sure if there is an assessment of this effect in the paper. How much gas exchange occurred through the vents compared to the seals?

Authors: this subject has been addressed in detail by Hutchinson and Mosier 1981, and further modelled by Hutchinson et al 2001. As we wrote at page 16034 line 9 we referred to the recommendations made in other studies. In our case, we downscaled the vent by a factor 48 in terms of vent volume, which is greater than the factor 10-20 downscaling from Hutchinson et al 2001 14 L chamber to our semi-rigid sleeve. The diffusion path is also 3 cm longer than the one from Hutchinson et al. 2001. These authors showed that the loss of the "gas by diffusion through the leaking seal of a non-vented chamber was greater in all cases than loss by diffusion from a vented chamber with a perfect seal". In their study a perfectly sealed chamber, the gas losses through the sole vent represented 0.038% of a target gas after 30 minutes of deployment. In our case, with a more than proportional downscaled vent tube, the total losses were between 1.4 and 2.9%, which give a reasonable idea of the negligible losses through the vent tubes.

We made a typing mistake at P16024 L6. The vents were 1.2 mm in internal diameter. The 0.6 was for the radius. We changed it. The factor 48 downscaling includes that change.

To make things more informative, at P16024 line 6, we added: "We downscaled the vent described by Hutchinson and Livingston (2001) by a factor 48 in terms of vent volume whereas the sleeves were a factor 10 to 20 less voluminous as compared to the authors' chamber (14 L). Their study showed that in a perfectly sealed chamber, after 30 minutes of deployment the gas mass loss through the sole vent represented 0.038% of the target gas."

And at line P16033 Line 22 we added: "The average CH₄ mass losses (2.2-3.3 %) from the sleeves after 20 minutes of deployment were two orders of magnitude greater as compared to the 0.038% mass loss after 30 minutes of deployment reported by Hutchinson and Livingstone (2001) for a perfectly sealed chamber with a sole vent tube. Thereafter, our downscaled vent tube was proportioned to the CH₄ losses from the sleeves."

Page 16025, line 10. How were the chambers deployed when undertaking the empirical estimates of chamber volume? Where they attached to the inert stainless steel cylinders mentioned later in the paper? Also, it is noted here that the dilution tests took seconds, but later in the paper the dead band time is quoted as 90 s. There seems to be a discrepancy here.

Authors: At P16025 L7 we added: "The two semi-rigid sleeves and a rigid chamber were attached to an inert stainless steel cylinder (see chamber deployment). The dilution was done in 90 seconds..."

Page 16025, line 16. "uncompressible" should be "incompressible".

Authors: Done

Page 16026, line 21. "sporadic concentration drawdowns" Why are these typical of a leaking chamber? I would have thought the most common type of leakage was a steady leakage. Was leakage a two-way (iso- thermal and iso-baric) exchange of gases between the chamber and the air outside, or was it pressure driven, due for example to increases in chamber temperature? More explanation here would help. It is interesting to consider what is shown later in Runs 3 and 6 in Figure 6. The sporadic changes in [CH₄] comprise both sudden decreases and increases, not just drawdowns as suggested by the authors. Why is this? What mechanism in terms of flow of gas across a leaky seal could explain these? In particular, how are the sudden increases explained?

Authors: Yes, these fluctuations are typical and they can be easily proven in practice when the re-sealing of the chamber changes this fluctuation into a steady increase. They are not steady leakages because of the vibrations coming from the pump circulating air. We think that the pump and pressure valves generates small jolts in the flow (small pressure waves) resulting in expulsion of the gas when ΔP are positive. During those events the stems continue to emit in the background. The resulting concentration is a balance of all these processes. Once ejected the gas diffuses in the less concentrated atmosphere, and when the pressure flow is inverted (ΔP negative) the air taken up by the chamber is less concentrated in that gas as it has diffused. These small pressure fluctuations have no consequence on the overall average pressure when the system is not leaking. That type of leakage is primarily pressure driven (Hagen-Poiseuille law) but it is also diffusive (Ficks laws). Since the concentration changes are globally increasing in the examples reviewer 2 mentions, there must logically be more increases than drawdowns (quantity x time). What reviewer 2 defines as "sudden increases" should rather be seen as the

normal gas accumulations, which would appear less impressive if the graphs were rescaled. Anything that restrains that logistical gas build-up can be seen as drawdown.

To make things easier for the reader we change the text at P16026 L21: "A leaking chamber typically displayed fluctuating concentrations with concentration build-up being recurrently drawn down."

Remark: the vent tube reduces the small pressure fluctuations (around the mean pressure) generated by the pump because the expelled air from the headspace during a positive ΔP is captured within the vent tube and then returned to the headspace when the external pressure rises again.

Page 16027, line 9. "Betula Pendula" should be "Betula pendula".

Authors: Done

Page 16027, line 27. "linear regression of declining concentrations" Above it is suggested that leakage occurred sporadically. It's not clear here that the simple dilution tests used by the authors accurately replicated how leaks occur during field deployments. I think a little more explanation would help. It would also be useful to see the dilution datasets.

Authors: Above at P16026 Line 21 we changed the sentence and the term "sporadic" has been replaced by a more explicative sentence.

As it was wrongly placed it within the lab permeability tests paragraph, the sentence at P16026 L18-21 was placed in the field deployment paragraph at P16027 Line 12 just before "Finally,...".

Additionally to make the differentiation between permeability and leakage clear we (1) we changed the text in the brackets within the above displaced text bloc to: "(mainly pressure driven bulk flows following Hagen-Poiseuille's law), and (2) we changed the text in the introduction at P16022 L10 to "... (gas conductance following Fick's first law of diffusion)..."

Remark: The concentration decreases (permeability) after dilution of the target gas was very steady as compared to the fluctuating concentrations changes in the leaking chambers of the field examples. The comparison of a leaking chamber with a normally functioning chamber (including its pre-tested gas permeability) in a situation where the partial target gas pressure (or concentration) is building-up from stem-emissions is made in the complement S4.

Page 16028, line 5. A comma is needed before and after "a posteriori".

Authors: Done

Page 16028, line 12. I don't think the temperature and pressure recorded by the UGGA's flow cell represent those in the chamber. Therefore, it is not appropriate to use T and P from the cell for the flux calculations. This is quite important. In work I have been involved with, we have always measured T and P in the flux chamber separately.

Authors: P and T of the cell are analytically essential to determine the gas concentration at the point of analysis in the analyser. P and T of the chamber are physiologically important to monitor changing conditions that may alter the physiology of the gas exchanges between the stem and the atmosphere.

To give more details about our choices we inserted the following text at P16028 L13 just after "...slope calculations": "The advantage of using the cell temperature is the perfect synchronicity of the airflow with the temperature measurement. In previous tests we showed that the cell temperature was strongly correlated ($R^2 = 0.994$) to the chamber temperature measured with a small data logger (ST-171, Clas Ohlson, Insjön, Sweden). Besides, the analytical laser did not significantly increase the temperature of the closed circuit (cell, connection tubes and chamber), as the temperature drift over 20 minutes of enclosure was only +0.7 % under lab conditions (SATP). The chamber pressure was equilibrated to the outside monitored atmospheric pressure (Gas pressure sensor, Vernier, Beaverton, USA) via the vent tube." What is heating up is the internal ambient temperature of the gas analyser (Amb_T) and not the cell temperature (Gas_T).

To group information we moved the sentence at line 13 starting with "In the manual sampling..." to line 9 just after "420 seconds" and changed the "15 minutes" into "900 seconds" in that sentence.

Remark: In the lab, we tested the chamber permeabilities under SATP conditions (UIPAC); and there was not a significant possibility for the chambers to be heated up by the artificial light in the lab. In the field, we shaded the sleeves with a plasticized aluminium foils and the forest in which we worked had no more than $51 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ of incoming light, which was not enough to change the chamber conditions in such a way that it would affect the gas exchange between the stem and the atmosphere. Additionally, the field measurements were done in the same forest locations (boreal or tropical) within a short period of time where no significant changes in air temperatures took place.

At P16027 L10 we inserted: "We shaded the sleeves with a plasticized aluminium foil to prevent any alteration of the chamber temperature and stem-gas exchange processes as compared to those prevailing without the enclosure. In the lab this measure was unnecessary."

For more precaution with the use of temperature measurements at P16036 L11 we added: "Under changeable conditions such as varying sunlight intensities we recommend to measure the temperature inside and outside of the sleeve, and to shade the sleeve as these variable conditions may alter the gas exchange processes between the stem and the atmosphere as compared to those prevailing without the enclosure."

Page 16028, line 19. Here and elsewhere in the document "Push" should simply be "push" (no cap needed).

Authors: Done

Page 16028, line 20. Here and elsewhere in the document "Off" should be "off". "ICOS" should be given in full – all acronyms should be when first used.

Authors: We replaced it with "Off-Axis Integrated Cavity Output Spectroscopy (OA-ICOS)" and as capitalized it as it is a proper noun (c.f. biogeosciences guidelines)

Page 16029, line 12. "Fick, 1855". Did you consult the original? If not then provide your more recent source.

Authors: Yes we consulted it. It is the original work and should be credited.

Page 16030, line 10. How did bark roughness affect chamber volume? In very rough barks such as on *Pinus sylvestris* and perhaps some tropical tree species I imagine this could lead to quite big differences to volumes estimated using equation (4).

Authors: During the measurements for this paper, the roughest barks we encountered were those of *Pinus sylvestris* and the variability in the thickness was around 3.4% (based on calibrated image analyses of photos taken on the side of sleeves). Note, the flakes of bark on *Pinus sylvestris* can be somewhat compressed against the stems. In terms of volume “roughness” means that you have bumps and hollows and the stem periphery should be set at half distance between bumps and hollows. The Neoprene foam will absorb the bumps and just cover the hollows so that it will sink into the stem on average by half of the height bump-hollow. In other campaigns we increased the thickness of the chambers to reduce that importance. In extreme cases we had to level the bark with mastic or play dough.

To give more detail at P16036 L6 we added: “In some other situations it was enough to increase the thickness of the sleeves to reduce the percentage of uncertainty in the chamber volume (V_c). The impact of both crevices and bumps could be assessed with distance measurements made on photos taken on one side of the deployed sleeves.”

Page 16030, line 15. The sentence starting “By dividing” is difficult to follow. I recommend re-wording it or breaking it into two simpler sentences.

We changed the sentence as follows: “By dividing the absolute value of the bias through the predicted value we get an estimate of the inaccuracy of V_{tot} (chamber, tubes and detector’s cell). As all terms of the fraction (Eq. 4) are linearly dependent, the inaccuracy of the permeability (P) is the quadratic mean of all other terms (Table 1, footnote).”

Page 16031, line 7. “ chamber, and that the”

Authors: Done

Page 16032, line 2. “concentration developments” is an odd phrase. I prefer “concentration changes” or “concentration increases”.

Authors: we changed “concentration development(s)” into “concentration change(s)”.

Page 16032, line 5. The r^2 increase is actually reasonably large. Page 16032, line 9. “an exponential”.

Authors: we changed it to: “...the coefficient of determination increased substantially”

Line 9: Done

Page 16033, line 5. “lightweight, and can be locally sourced” Page 16034, line 8. “ associated to with the gas”

Authors: Done

Page 16035, line 17. “or by installing a complementary fan if the sleeves were to be built much larger” – miniature fans as used in larger laptops could be used.

Authors: Here we leave it open to how big the fan may be (whether 3.5’-drive, laptop or tower computer fans). We leave it unchanged.

Page 16036, line 2. "very rare". How rare is "very rare"? Quite a few wetland tree species can have rough bark such as alder (*Alnus*) and willow (*Salix*). Tropical forest trees also often have rough bark and those that are smooth may have lianas and other climbers growing up them which serve, in effect, to make the bark rough.

Authors: What we wrote was related to our own work and we understand that in the scope of generalisation it is better to change the text into: "In some situations,..."

Page 16036, line 19. Delete comma after "both".

Authors: Done

Page 16037, line 22. " and an optimal"

Authors: Done

Page 16038, line 16. The authors rightly highlight the portability of the flexible chambers but they don't discuss the problem of using on-line gas analysers like the UGGA manufactured by Los Gatos Research. These analysers are very accurate and give good data, but are actually quite heavy – at 15 kg without batteries and 17+ kg with batteries (excluding the re-inforced backpack needed to carry them). So, while the flexible chambers are highly portable, the recommendation that they be used with a heavy on-line analyser almost seems contradictory.

Authors: In terms of weight, to take a syringe with approx. 2x1000 12 mL glass GC vials together with a whole collection of rigid chambers (10x as heavy) and 4 big steal Handy-grips is actually heavier than a 17 Kg UGGA. The portable gas analysers bring in many advantages (closure time reduction, leakage tests, multiple gases, etc...). The problem with the logistics is not so much the weight but more a problem of volume. The gain in volume is considerable when using multiple semi-rigid chambers. Rigid chambers are difficult to transport on a plane and in the field, and need special care for them not to break or crack, plus cost much more to build. They need to be built in advance not knowing what field conditions to expect. A more extreme, although realistic example; it would need approximately 3000 litres chamber in order to enclose trees of 150 cm of diameter. So, based on our field experience, we suggest that carrying a UGGA is a small issue when compared with the logistics of using rigid chambers and vials for GC analysis.

Figure 4. The letters denoting the variables in the figure itself should be italicised.

Authors: Done

Tables S1 and S2. All letters denoting variables in the caption and the table itself should be italicised. S4 "Bad *Pinus sylvestris*" should be "*Bad Pinus sylvestris*". Also, why bad?

Authors: Done. We also changed Table 1 and the figure captions of Fig. 4, 5 and 6.

For the table S4 we cannot see what should be different as what reviewer 2 proposes is strictly the same. We will however change "Bad" into "Leaking".

Technical Note: Semi-rigid chambers for methane gas flux measurements on tree stems

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Abstract

There is increasing interest in the measurement of methane (CH₄) emissions from tree stems in a wide range of ecosystems so as to determine how they contribute to the total ecosystem flux. To date, tree CH₄ fluxes are commonly measured using rigid closed chambers (static or dynamic), which often pose challenges as these are bulky and limit measurement of CH₄ fluxes to only a very narrow range of tree stem sizes and shapes. To overcome these challenges we aimed to design, describe and test new semi-rigid stem-flux chambers (or sleeves). We compared the CH₄ permeability of the new semi-rigid chambers with that of the more traditional rigid chamber approach, in the laboratory and in the field, with continuous flow or syringe injections. We found that the semi-rigid chambers performed well, and had numerous benefits including reduced gas permeability and optimal stem gas exchange surface to total chamber volume ratio (S_c/V_{tot}) allowing better headspace mixing, especially when connected in a dynamic mode to a continuous flow gas analyser. Semi-rigid sleeves can easily be constructed and transported in multiple sizes, are extremely light, cheap to build and fast to

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28 deploy. This makes them ideal for use in remote ecosystems where access logistics are
29 complicated.

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31 1 Introduction

32 Recent research into ecosystem greenhouse gas fluxes has shown that tree stems emit
33 significant amounts of methane (CH_4) (Terazawa et al., 2007; Rusch and Rennenberg, 1998;
34 Gauci et al., 2010; Pangala et al., 2013; Rice et al., 2010; Terazawa et al., 2015) although the
35 transport mechanisms and global importance of tree-mediated emissions remain largely
36 unknown. These past investigations have used a variety of closed chambers adapted to
37 various tree-stem sizes. Presently, the most common chambers used to measure CH_4
38 emissions from tree-stems are closed rigid chambers in the form of either a vertical cylinder, a
39 horizontal cylinder or a cube fitted around tree-stems (e.g. Gauci et al., 2010; Pangala et al.,
40 2013; Terazawa et al., 2007; Hari et al., 1991; Rusch and Rennenberg, 1998). These chambers
41 can be deployed either vertically by enclosing the whole stem or, alternatively when the stems
42 are too large, laterally on the stem, covering only a small fraction of the stem surface (e.g.
43 Levy et al., 1999; Teskey and McGuire, 2005; Ryan, 1990; Hari et al., 1991). These
44 techniques were originally designed to measure CH_4 and carbon dioxide (CO_2) from samples
45 manually taken with syringes and analysed by gas chromatography. The ratio between the gas
46 exchange surface and the chamber volume (S_e/V_{tot}) was transposed from soil chambers and
47 were not necessarily adapted to the lower fluxes found in tree-stems, and are therefore often
48 too high (Hutchinson and Livingston, 2001). In other words, if the chambers are too large for
49 a given exchange surface, mixing problems may occur, making it important to circulate the air
50 in their headspace (Hutchinson and Livingston, 1993; Rusch and Rennenberg, 1998).

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53 With the advent of continuous flow analytical techniques and increasing precision of
54 instruments (e.g. cavity ring-down spectroscopy, infrared and photo-acoustic gas analysers),
55 the need for longer accumulation periods to detect significant concentration changes has
56 become obsolete. The tendency is to reduce the accumulation period as much as possible in
57 order to be able to use more straightforward linear regressions to determine fluxes, closest to
58 the point of chamber closure. Unlike open chamber techniques which allow steady state
59 measurements (e.g. Bortoluzzi et al., 2006; Norman et al., 1997; Subke et al., 2003;
60 Pumpanen et al., 2004), closed chambers are non-steady state systems; the diffusive laws
61 advocate the use of non-linear regressions of gas concentrations as a function of time to
62 determine rates, as these decrease with increasing gas saturation (Hutchinson and Livingston,
63 2001; Pihlatie et al., 2013; Pumpanen et al., 2004; Kutzbach et al., 2007).

64 With continuous flow gas analysers there are three main advantages: 1) they are non-
65 dispersive as no gas needs to be taken out of the measurement system and irreversibly
66 “consumed”, 2) they circulate air between the chamber and the gas detectors, which for small
67 chamber volumes could represent enough mixing to avoid underestimations of fluxes by as
68 much as 36 to 58% in non-mixed soil-atmosphere exchanges (Christiansen et al., 2011), and
69 3) with measurement frequencies of up to 10 Hertz and precisions of ± 2 ppb the closure time
70 needed to get a representative accumulation slope has been dramatically reduced using these
71 devices (excluding the equilibration period) and therefore it also avoids underestimations due
72 to regressions made over longer periods of time (Hutchinson and Livingston, 2001; Pihlatie et
73 al., 2013). In addition, recent work has focused on trace gases (e.g. CH₄ and N₂O) which have
74 lower accumulation rates compared to the more frequently measured CO₂ (IPCC, 2007),
75 moderating the saturation issue inherent to non-steady state setups (Hutchinson and
76 Livingston, 2001). Altogether, these point towards the use of a smaller stem chamber with
77 larger gas exchange surface per chamber volume proportion (Sc-to-Vtot ratio).

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83 A further complicating factor is field access. Stem-methane emissions have recently begun to
84 be investigated in remote areas such as in forested tropical wetlands with often no road access.
85 In those areas it is a logistical challenge to carry large/heavy loads. Moreover, because of the
86 great variety of stem sizes/shapes, a whole collection of rigid chambers is usually needed to
87 cover most of the ecosystem tree species thus creating further logistical and cost issues.

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88 In order to meet the new challenges presented by the growing interest in measuring
89 greenhouse gas fluxes from tree-stems we aimed to design, describe and test/deploy new
90 semi-rigid stem-emission chambers in the laboratory and in the field, and to compare their
91 permeability to CH₄ (gas conductance) with previously described rigid chambers. Thus far,
92 semi-rigid sleeve chambers have been used effectively in several of our measurement
93 campaigns. We therefore consider their detailed reporting to be of interest to a broader
94 constituency of eco-physiologists and biogeochemists. We also examine various
95 methodological benefits and logistical advantages of using this new approach.

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97 2 Materials and methods

98 2.1 Chamber designs: semi-rigid sleeve and rigid chamber

99 Our approach to measure stem CH₄ emissions, which could also include other greenhouse
100 gases produced in anaerobic conditions, such as N₂O, uses a semi-rigid chamber (or sleeve).

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101 The preferred material was a pre-shaped and gas impermeable PET (polyethylene
102 terephthalate) or PC (polycarbonate) plastic sheet with a natural tendency to curve induced by
103 3-4 vertically distributed imprinted rims on the periphery. These rims ensured good stability
104 and helped maintain the desired natural curvature of the sleeve that proved to be very helpful
105 for the deployment of the sleeves on the stems as the sleeve could hold in place without straps.

108 | To investigate permeability changes due to both the size and the approach, we used two semi-
109 rigid sleeves together with a rigid chamber. As this was straightforward, for the smaller semi-
110 rigid sleeve we sourced the pre-shaped material from a cylindrical 3 L soft drink bottle, which
111 already had the desired imprinted rims. The 0.1 mm thick bottle was truncated above and
112 below the cylindrical section, and opened vertically on the side. For the larger sleeve we
113 sourced the material from 0.2 mm thick not pre-shaped semi-rigid PC sheets. Both types of
114 plastic sheets have very low gas permeabilities under experimental standard ambient
115 temperature and pressure (SATP from UIPAC) conditions and short chamber enclosure times
116 (McKeen, 2012).

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117 The edges of the sheets were framed with 1.5 cm thick and 3 cm wide adhesive backed
118 expanded Neoprene strips (Seals+Direct Ltd, Hampshire, UK); closed cell neoprene foam
119 that is gas tight and can be bent, but is hardly compressible ($\leq 3\%$ with 200 N). This
120 Neoprene strip was placed as a frame around the rectangular sheet to provide a seal and to
121 ensure a constant volume between the sheet and the tree stem (Fig. 1). The adhesive was
122 provided on one side of the expanded Neoprene strips. Inside this framed volume we placed
123 two Neoprene vertical wedges (1.5 cm thick and 3 cm wide) to keep the sheet equidistant
124 from the stem all along the radial periphery of the sleeve. The sleeve was also equipped with
125 two snap-on rubber caps with inserted three-way Luer-lock stopcocks (BBraun, Bethlehem,
126 USA) that permitted connection to the Ultraportable Greenhouse Gas Analyser (UGGA, Los
127 Gatos Research Inc., Mountain View, USA) via two 4.6 m long and 5 mm inside diameter
128 PTFE (polytetrafluoroethylene) coated PVC (polyvinyl chloride) parallel tubes (Nalgene,
129 Rochester, USA). As venting was recommended (Hutchinson and Livingston, 2001;
130 Christiansen et al., 2011) both sleeves were equipped with a coiled vent tube (18 cm long, 1.2
131 mm inner diameter). We downscaled the vent described by Hutchinson and Livingston (2001)
132 by a factor 48 in terms of vent volume whereas the sleeves were a factor 10 to 20 less

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138 voluminous as compared to the authors' chamber (14 L). Their study showed that in a
139 perfectly sealed chamber, after 30 minutes of deployment the gas mass loss through the sole
140 vent represented 0.038% of the target gas.

141 We tested all the components of the semi-rigid sleeves independently for unwanted
142 background contaminations that could interfere with CH₄ emissions from the stems by
143 incubating them for two hours in 500 mL borosilicate glass beakers filled with air and
144 connected in continuous flow with the UGGA. The selected raw material was inert and did
145 not interfere with measurements from the environment. We also tested the compressibility of
146 sleeves by pulling the straps with a 200 N force (twice 100N) and measuring the thickness of
147 the Neoprene frame before and after pulling (Fig. 2, see also chamber deployment section).

148 We also compared the CH₄ losses from our new semi-rigid sleeves with a previously used
149 rigid chamber design, similar to the ones constructed and described in other studies (Rusch
150 and Rennenberg, 1998; Gauci et al., 2010; Pangala et al., 2013). The closed rigid chamber
151 was constructed from cylindrical Perspex® (Perspex, Tamworth, UK) of inner diameter of 28
152 cm and had an inner height of 30 cm. The cylinder was cut into two halves, which were held
153 together with a metal hinge. The two half-cylinders were framed within a 5 cm wide and 1 cm
154 thick frame made of flat Perspex® that was fitted with Neoprene strips. The cylindrical
155 chamber had a central opening to enclose the tree stem. Two smaller cylinders (18 cm
156 diameter x 5 cm height) were attached on either side of that opening (Fig. 3). The chamber
157 was equipped with a gas sampling port and a small vent tube (12 cm long; 6 mm diameter).

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159 **2.2 Enclosed chamber volume and gas exchange surface determinations**

160 The volume of the semi-rigid sleeves could be determined precisely in two different ways.
161 Firstly, we extrapolated the empirical total chamber volume (V'_{tot}) from the CH₄

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163 concentration dilution factor after having inserted a known volume (V_{standard}) of a 2000 ppmv
 164 CH_4 standard (Air Liquide, Paris, France) into the sleeve's enclosed volume and measuring
 165 the end concentration (C_0) after dilution, and subtracting the atmospheric CH_4 concentration
 166 (C_{atm}) originally in the chamber. The two semi-rigid sleeves and a rigid chamber were
 167 attached to an inert stainless steel cylinder (see chamber deployment). The dilution was done
 168 in 90 seconds so that the losses through gas permeability of the chambers remained negligible.
 169 This extrapolation was formalised as:

$$170 \quad V'_{\text{tot}} = V_{\text{standard}} * \frac{(C_{\text{standard}})}{(C_0 - C_{\text{atm}})} \quad (1)$$

171 Secondly, we also calculated the theoretical volume of the sleeves (V_c) by subtracting a sector
 172 (K) of both, a smaller cylinder volume (V_{stem}) from a larger cylinder volume (V_{ext}), minus the
 173 volume taken by the vertical wedges (V_{wedges}) (Fig. 4). The sector (K) was determined from a
 174 ratio between the sleeve length (L) and the circumference at the external edge of the sleeve
 175 (πD_{ext}). The sleeve length (L) is the length of the incompressible external edge of the chamber
 176 and represents a fraction of the total circumference given by πD_{ext} . The diameter of the
 177 smaller cylinder (the compressible internal foamy edge) is given by the diameter of the stem
 178 (D_{stem}). The larger cylinder diameter (D_{ext}) is the diameter given by the stem (D_{stem}) plus the
 179 thickness (T) of the sleeve. Both cylinders have the same height (H). Thereafter, we have:

$$180 \quad D_{\text{ext}} = D_{\text{stem}} + 2T \quad (2)$$

$$181 \quad K = \frac{L}{\pi D_{\text{ext}}} = \frac{L}{\pi (D_{\text{stem}} + 2T)} \quad (3)$$

$$182 \quad V_c = K(V_{\text{ext}} - V_{\text{stem}}) - V_{\text{wedges}} = \frac{HL}{(D_{\text{stem}} + 2T)} * \left[\left(\frac{D_{\text{stem}} + 2T}{2} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{D_{\text{stem}}}{2} \right)^2 \right] - V_{\text{wedges}} \quad (4)$$

183 However, the total volume (V_{tot}) is the sum of the chamber volume (V_c) plus the dead volume
 184 enclosed in the gas analyser and the tubes (V_{dead}):

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$$V_{tot} = V_C + V_{dead} \quad (5)$$

Similarly, the gas exchange surface of the sleeves (S_c) was calculated by considering the sector (K) of the stem surface (S_{stem}) covered by the chamber at the circumference of the stem (πD_{stem}) and the height of the sleeve (H), minus the small surface covered by the vertical wedges (S_{wedges}):

$$S_c = K * S_{stem} - S_{wedges} = \frac{HL}{(D_{stem} + 2T)} * D_{stem} - S_{wedges} \quad (6)$$

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2.3 Chamber deployment

The three types of chambers (two semi-rigid sleeves and one rigid chamber) were deployed on a gas-inert stainless steel cylinder of diameter 15 cm. The semi-rigid chambers were flattened around the cylinder and subsequently attached and tightened with two metal cam straps at the top and bottom of the frame (Figure 2). The straps were 1.5 m long and 3 cm wide. An additional strap was necessary at mid-height of the bigger sleeve to ensure a good cohesion of the vertical Neoprene frames and vertical wedges with the stem (steel cylinder in this case).

Before installing the rigid acrylic chamber, closed cell Neoprene foam bands (7 cm wide and 4 cm thick) were attached at the bottom of the inert stainless steel cylinder and also at 35 cm height using double-sided Scotch tape (3M, St-Paul, USA) to append the extremities of the band as well as packing brown tape (5 cm wide) to tighten the band firmly against the metallic cylinder. The two mobile panels of the chamber were opened and the upper and lower half-necks of one panel were lodged around the two foam bands by compressing the foam so as to ensure gas tightness. Finally, all open-end flanges surrounding the cylindrical volume were progressively closed with Handy-grips (Irwin, Vernier, Switzerland).

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221 We used the larger semi-rigid chamber to exemplify the field deployment (Table 1). We
222 deployed it on twelve tree-stems (diameter at breast height: 25-45 cm), located in the northern
223 boreal zone (*Pinus sylvestris* and *Betula ~~p~~endula*, Degerö mire, Sweden) as well as in a
224 tropical lowland forest (*Heisteria concinna*, Barro Colorado Island, Panama). The sleeves
225 were placed at mid-height on the stems at 35 cm of height. We shaded the sleeves with a
226 plasticized aluminium foil to prevent any alteration of the chamber temperature and stem-gas
227 exchange processes as compared to those prevailing without the enclosure. In the lab this
228 measure was unnecessary. We tested the sleeve's CH₄ concentration change on both, very
229 smooth birch stems and very rough pine-tree stems to contrast the concentration readings as
230 much as possible. To ensure optimal gas tightness it was important to distribute the pressure
231 of each strap all around the surface of the sleeve. We visually checked for gaps between the
232 stem and the Neoprene strips. Monitoring the CH₄ concentration change in a continuous flow
233 mode made an optimal gas tightness test. A leaking chamber (mainly pressure-driven bulk
234 flow following Hagen-Poiseuille's law) typically displayed fluctuating concentrations with
235 concentration build-up being recurrently drawn down. Finally, we also used the larger semi-
236 rigid sleeve together with a manual syringe sampling. For that purpose we used a 30 mL
237 plastic syringe fitted with a Luer-lock three-way stopcock (BBraun, Bethlehem, USA) and
238 connected it to one of the two stopcocks on the sleeve. At t=0, t=5, t=10 and t=15 minutes we
239 collected 12 mL of gas sample from the sleeve and transferred it into pre-evacuated glass
240 Exetainers (Labco Ltd, Ceredigion, UK) before analysing CH₄ concentrations on a Fast
241 Methane Analyser (Los Gatos Research Inc., Mountain View, USA) equipped with a
242 sampling loop as described in Baird et al. (2010).

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244 2.4 Gas Analyses

248 For the permeability tests, the CH₄ concentration change was analysed in the laboratory under
249 SATP conditions for three types of chamber (Table 1, Supplement S1); a rigid chamber and
250 two semi-rigid sleeves. We injected 50 mL of a 2000 ppmv methane standard (Air Liquide,
251 Paris) into these chambers after which the CH₄ concentration decline was measured over 20
252 minutes in continuous flow mode. Each chamber type was tested in triplicate. For the blanks,
253 we injected ambient air. The slopes were measured from a linear regression of declining
254 concentrations starting after an equilibration time of 90 seconds (dead band) and running for
255 20 min. This dead band represents a maximum time for the continuous flow circuit to mix the
256 entire headspace (V_{tot}).

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257 In the field, the CH₄ concentration changes of a larger sleeve were monitored when deployed
258 on various tree-stem species (see chamber deployment). In order to have a set of contrasting
259 responses we selected, a posteriori, measurement runs with both high and low rates, and also
260 included runs where leakages of the sleeve were present (Figs. 5 and 6, Supplements S3 and
261 S4). Methane concentration accumulations were measured as in the laboratory although with
262 shorter runs of approximately 420 seconds. In the manual sampling mode with syringe, the
263 accumulation period was 900 seconds. The slopes were measured from linear, quadratic and
264 exponential regressions of increasing concentrations starting after a dead band of 90 seconds.
265 The gas pressure, temperature and humidity inside the stem sleeve were measured from the
266 circulated gas running through the UGGA's flow-cell and we used temperature, pressure and
267 humidity compensated CH₄ concentrations for the slope calculations. The advantage of using
268 the cell temperature is the perfect synchronicity of the airflow with the temperature
269 measurement. In previous tests we showed that the cell temperature was strongly correlated
270 (R² = 0.994) to the chamber temperature measured with a small data logger (ST-171, Clas
271 Ohlson, Insjön, Sweden). Besides, the analytical laser did not significantly increase the
272 temperature of the closed circuit (cell, connection tubes and chamber), as the temperature drift

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278 | over 20 minutes of enclosure was only +0.7 % under lab conditions (SATP). The chamber
279 | pressure was equilibrated to the outside monitored atmospheric pressure (Gas pressure sensor,
280 | Vernier, Beaverton, USA) via the vent tube. ▲

281 | All chambers were connected to an UGGA via two flexible tubes (see chamber designs
282 | section) set in parallel in a continuous flow mode; one tube bringing air from the gas analyser
283 | towards the chambers and the other tube pumping air from the headspaces towards the gas
284 | analyser. The tubes were connected to the gas analyser via two ¼ inch push-connect fittings.
285 | The UGGA's pump ensured a continuous flow of 2-4 L min⁻¹. The UGGA measured CH₄
286 | with the Off-Axis Integrated Cavity Output Spectroscopy (OA-ICOS) at a frequency of 0.33
287 | Hz. The analyser's uncertainty in the range of 0.01 ppmv to 100 ppmv of methane is <1%
288 | without calibration and the precision is ±0.6 ppb over a period of 100 seconds (LGR, 2013).

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290 | **2.5 Methane permeability calculations**

291 | In order to quantify and compare CH₄ losses from the three types of chambers (two semi-rigid
292 | sleeves and one rigid chamber) attached to an inert stainless steel cylinder we corrected the
293 | loss rates by taking into account both the stem exchange surface covered by each sleeve (or
294 | chamber) as well as the concentration gradient between inside and outside of each chamber.
295 | To express this we calculated the permeability as a function of the effluxes (outgoing fluxes)
296 | and the concentration gradient between inside and outside the chambers.

297 | In the first step we multiplied the slope (mg m⁻³ s⁻¹) by the total volume of the chamber (V_{tot})
298 | to get the loss rates (mg s⁻¹). We then divided the loss rates from each sleeve (or chamber) by
299 | the stem exchange surface (S_c) covered by each sleeve (or chamber) to express the methane
300 | flux (J) which can be used for both the permeability experiment on the metallic cylinder and
301 | the methane accumulation runs from tree-stems in the field:

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$$Loss\ rate = slope * V_{tot} = \frac{dC}{dt} * V_{tot} \left[\frac{mg}{s} \right] \quad (7)$$

$$Flux\ (J) = \frac{Loss\ rate}{S_c} = \frac{dC}{dt} * \frac{V_{tot}}{S_c} \left[\frac{mg}{m^2s} \right] \quad (8)$$

In the second step, from Fick's first law (Fick, 1855) we could apply the general equation often used in cell biological or textile fabric applications (Ogulata and Mavruz, 2010) to calculate, for each sleeve (or chamber), the CH₄ permeability (P) through a porous medium by dividing the CH₄ flux (J) by the CH₄ concentration gradient (ΔC) between inside (C_{chamber}) and outside of the sleeve (C_{atm}). We assume that the diffusive CH₄ losses (including dilutions) through the rigid and semi-rigid material are negligible at SATP conditions (McKeen, 2012).

Thereafter the equation was:

$$J = -P * \Delta C \rightarrow Permeability\ (P) = -\frac{J}{(C_{chamber} - C_{atm})} \left[\frac{m^3}{m^2s} \right] \quad (9)$$

2.6 Numerical analyses

We used linear, quadratic and exponential regressions to fit the CH₄ concentrations as a function of the accumulation time in the chambers. The fitting was based on sum of squares' minimisation of the errors. The frequency distribution, homogeneity and homoscedacity of the residuals were previously checked using normal quartile plots, residual versus predicted plots, and box plots. The coefficient of determination (R²) was used to quantify the level of fit. All the data was analysed with the SAS software (SAS Institute Inc., Toronto, Canada).

3 Results

3.1 Calibration of the semi-rigid sleeves

329 The compared predicted (theoretical) and the mean observed empirical V'_{tot} (Eqs. 1 and 4)
330 were respectively: 966 and 933 cm³ for the small sleeve, 1406 and 1439 cm³ for the large
331 sleeve, and 13581 and 13026 cm³ for the rigid chamber (Supplement S1). The observed V'_{tot}
332 values included variability due to the possible but very tiny compaction of the Neoprene foam
333 over the whole frame. This compaction was less than 3% of V_{tot} , which was a maximum
334 considering the pulling force of 200 N applied on the straps (twice 100N).

335 The difference between the mean observed V'_{tot} and the predicted V_{tot} values gave us an
336 estimate of the bias in size. By dividing the absolute value of the bias through the predicted
337 value we get an estimate of the inaccuracy of V_{tot} (chamber, tubes and detector's cell). As all
338 terms of the fraction (Eq. 4) are linearly dependent, the inaccuracy of the permeability (P) is
339 the quadratic mean of all other terms (Table 1, footnote). The gas exchange surface (S_c) could
340 be precisely determined and we assume that there is no error associated to it. The inaccuracies
341 in the concentration measurements are dependent on the uncertainty of the UGGA, which in
342 our case was <1% for the un-calibrated device.

343 The precision of our measurement system, related to repeatability, is the level to which
344 repeated measurements show the same results under the same conditions. For each sleeve or
345 chamber we repeatedly injected 50 mL of a 200 ppmv standard and measured the initial
346 concentration (C_0 , Table 1, Supplement S1) in the enclosed volume. We used the relative
347 standard error (RSE) of the initial concentration (C_0) to express the level of precision between
348 different types of chambers. Thereafter, precision is of $\pm 1.82\%$ for the small sleeve, $\pm 1.59\%$
349 for the large sleeve and $\pm 1.68\%$ for the rigid chamber.

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351 3.2 Chamber permeability comparisons

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369 The comparison of permeability (Table 1, Supplement S1) of the three types of chamber
 370 shows that the semi-rigid sleeves are on average less permeable than the rigid chamber, and
 371 that the smaller semi-rigid sleeve had a higher permeability compared to the larger one. It was
 372 also interesting to note that the CH₄ loss (negative slope) is lower for the rigid chamber
 373 compared to semi-rigid sleeves. The contrasting higher permeability of the rigid chamber was
 374 counterbalanced by the much greater V_{tot} as well as a much lower initial concentration
 375 gradient between inside and outside of the chamber ($dC = C_0 - C_{atm}$). The rigid chamber was
 376 14.1x larger than the small sleeve and 9.7x larger than the large sleeve, and the initial
 377 concentration gradient in the rigid chamber was 14.0x smaller compared to the smaller sleeve
 378 and 9.01x compared to the bigger sleeve. Moreover, the larger sleeve had a larger S_c -to- V_{tot}
 379 ratio (0.42) compared to the smaller sleeve (0.34).

380 In order to understand why the permeability of the semi-rigid sleeves was lower than that of
 381 the rigid chamber we compared and calculated the potential contact distances between air
 382 from inside and outside of the chamber volumes (Fig. 3, Supplement 2). Those contact zones
 383 represented the paths where gas effusion could occur, which were driven by the architecture
 384 of the chamber. For that purpose we distinguished two types of contact lines: 1) mobile lines
 385 that needed to be sealed properly every time the chambers were deployed and from which
 386 most of the losses were likely to occur, and 2) fixed lines that resulted from the manufacture
 387 which could be cracked and leak as a result of twisting forces on the rigid joints. The result
 388 was that for the same theoretical stem gas exchange surface (S_e) between the two chambers
 389 (same length and height), the ratio between the length of the mobile lines and the stem gas
 390 exchange surface (S_e) was 2.17x smaller for the semi-rigid as compared to the rigid approach.

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392 3.3 Stem-methane emissions and field deployments

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396 In the field, the manual sampling by syringe showed steady concentration changes with the
397 sleeve technique (Fig. 5, Supplement S3), and the linear fitting of those concentration changes
398 was always high ($R^2 \geq 0.924$). When applying a quadratic fit the coefficient of determination
399 improved substantially ($R^2 \geq 0.995$). In continuous flow mode the concentration changes were
400 also consistent with the sleeve technique (Fig. 6, Supplement S4), and the linear fitting was
401 very high ($R^2 \geq 0.989$) for all the runs not displaying leakages. Equally to the manual sampling
402 mode, in continuous flow mode, the fitting improved slightly when applying a quadratic
403 function or an exponential function ($R^2 \geq 0.998$).

404 The two modes also distinguish themselves by the fact that with the continuous flow mode the
405 runs are shorter compared to the manual mode. The runs were set to 15 minutes closure for
406 the manual mode and to 7 minutes closure for the continuous flow mode. These times
407 included a maximum of 90 seconds equilibration time just after the sleeve was deployed to
408 allow the headspace to mix properly.

409 Runs 3 and 6 of the continuous flow mode were deliberately presented to display situations
410 where leakages from sleeves were occurring when placed on *Betula pendula* or *Pinus sylvestris*
411 tree-stems (Fig. 6). In those cases, the CH₄ concentrations developed in a disordered way with
412 periods of increases immediately followed by sudden drops. These analytically monitored
413 leakages were confirmed when checking the chamber fitting on the stems.

414 The determination of the coefficient of variation of the root-mean-square error CV(RMSE),
415 often used to measure the relative differences between two populations of values, and which
416 was calculated between the linear fitted slopes and the non-linear fitted slopes, was higher in
417 the case of the manual sampling mode (0.69) as compared to the continuous flow mode (0.45).
418 In other words, the difference between the linear and non-linear fittings was 53% higher in the
419 manual mode as compared to the continuous mode. This went in parallel with the differences

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424 between the average slope in the linear fitting and that from non-linear fitting which was 27%
425 higher with the manual sampling mode as compared to 18% with the continuous mode.

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427 **4 Discussion**

428 **4.1 Semi-rigid sleeve construction**

429 | The semi-rigid sleeves are easy to assemble, lightweight, and can be locally sourced. The
430 sleeves could easily be assembled on-site following transportation. This allows for minimal
431 luggage or shipping space and low costs, a major asset in terms of logistics where remote
432 fieldwork is concerned. The PET or PC sheets were precisely cut in advance whereas the
433 framing with the Neoprene strips was done on-site. We made sure that all components were
434 not emitting CH₄, which might otherwise confound in-situ measurements. Nevertheless, the
435 raw materials are commonly available internationally, could be found on-site and likewise
436 tested. For small sleeves (stem diameters ≤ 15 cm) and middle-sized sleeves (stem diameters
437 ≤ 25 cm) the pre-shaped PET sheet can easily be constructed from soft drink PET bottles or
438 PC water-fountain tanks. Larger sleeves (stem diameters > 25 cm) can be built from flat PC
439 sheets as the curvature and volume stability of the chamber becomes less compromised with
440 larger stem diameters. Most important for the construction of the sleeves are the vertical
441 wedges that keep the sheet equidistant from the stem along the radial periphery of the sleeve.
442 The construction of a sleeve took about one hour and there was no requirement for specific
443 machine tools and no adhesives were needed, as the Neoprene bands used were adhesive
444 backed. For the production of large numbers of sleeve rectangular plastic sheets could be
445 thermoformed using a specially designed mould (Throne, 1996).

446 The average CH₄ mass losses (2.2-3.3 %) from the sleeves after 20 minutes of deployment
447 were two orders of magnitude greater as compared to the 0.038% mass loss after 30 minutes

448 of deployment reported by Hutchinson and Livingstone (2001) for a perfectly sealed chamber
449 with a sole vent tube. Thereafter, our downscaled vent tube was proportioned to the CH₄
450 losses from the sleeves.

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452 **4.2 Calibration of the semi-rigid sleeves**

453 All the chambers were reasonably precise (repeatable) in terms of total volume and the semi-
454 rigid chambers (sleeves) performed equally compared to the rigid chambers. In terms of total
455 volume inaccuracy, all chambers were below the threshold significance level of 5%.
456 Moreover, the semi-rigid sleeves' total volume accuracy increased with increasing S_c/V_{tot} .
457 Nevertheless, getting good accuracy is a matter of calibration as biases can be subtracted from
458 the original readings.

459 The average 33 cm³ greater V'_{tot} values as compared to V_{tot} for the large sleeve (Supplement
460 S1) can be attributed to the volume of the wedges that were also undergoing a compaction
461 when deployed as the interior periphery gets compressed. This tiny volume correction was not
462 inserted in formula 4 for the sake of simplicity and because the difference with the calibration
463 was still below 5%.

464 We added a known amount of CH₄ instantaneously to the chambers and followed its decline
465 and associated chamber permeability. Thereafter, we can be aware of how well the chambers
466 are doing in keeping the considered gas but not how well they do in minimizing the errors
467 associated with the gas exchange processes between stems and the chamber. For those errors
468 we referred to recommendations from other studies, such as: ensuring air-mixing, venting,
469 reducing closure times, reducing chamber volume and considering non-linear fitting
470 (Christiansen et al., 2011; Hutchinson and Livingstone, 2001; Juszczak, 2013; Pihlatie et al.,
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474 4.3 Chamber permeability comparisons

475 A reasonable mechanistic explanation to the fact that both semi-rigid sleeves were on average
476 57% less permeable compared to the rigid chamber (Table 1) could come from the sleeve's
477 smaller proportion of air contact lines between inside and outside the chambers thereby
478 reducing opportunities for gas diffusion to occur. The difference in that proportion is similar
479 in order of magnitude to the difference in permeability (Supplement S2). Moreover, it is
480 possible that with an aging rigid chamber the permeability could increase faster than in the
481 case of an aging semi-rigid sleeve as the proportion of fixed contact lines could be exposed to
482 more cracks and unforeseen reduced air-tightness (Fig. 3, green lines).

483 This is also in line with the fact that for the same semi-rigid chamber design with the
484 increasing S_c -to- V_{tot} ratio, thus by increasing frame size, there is a concurrent decrease in the
485 proportion of contact lines as well as a concurrent decrease in permeability. The rigid
486 chamber had a much lower S_c -to- V_{tot} ratio when compared to the sleeves and showed the
487 greatest permeability. From our observations we can generalise the common trend found for
488 all chamber types by saying that the larger the total volume of a stem chamber is, for a given
489 gas exchange surface, the greater the expected permeability.

490 With the same logic and by considering the strong leverage effect of the concentration
491 gradient (ΔC) between inside and outside the chamber, the advantage of the larger rigid
492 chamber is that it keeps the concentration gradient more constant during the chamber
493 deployment and therefore minimizes the non-steady-state gas saturation effect of the closed
494 chamber system. However, this advantage loses its importance when semi-rigid sleeves are
495 connected to precise gas analysers with analytical frequencies of up to 10 Hertz as the
496 gradient effect can equally be minimized by reducing the closure times to a few minutes.

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498 Additionally, by increasing the S_c -to- V_{tot} ratio by 6 fold compared to rigid chambers and by
499 mixing the enclosed gas through the continuous flow circulation, we also avoided the
500 problems associated with large volume chambers (Hutchinson and Livingston, 2001, 1993).

501 Nevertheless, the only non-compressible time factor is the sleeve's equilibration period; a 90
502 second period for the continuous air circulation to mix the entire headspace. This could be
503 shortened by reducing the tube length, increasing the pump's flow-through or by installing a
504 complementary fan if the sleeves were to be built much larger. In any case, the threshold time
505 by which the sleeve headspace is mixed entirely can be monitored graphically while running
506 every sample. Retrospectively, 90 seconds of equilibration, together with 3-minute closure
507 time, conservatively characterised all replicates made for two different sleeve sizes (n=24).

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509 4.4 Deployment in the field

510 As expected, deployment of the semi-rigid sleeve was very straightforward and could be
511 operated by a single person. The fact that the sleeves had a natural tendency to curve (pre-
512 shaped) allowed them to stay in place when initially placed around the stem. This gave the
513 researcher free hands to attach the straps subsequently. The whole setup takes two minutes to
514 install and swapping the sleeves between different stem heights was also done much more
515 efficiently in comparison to the rigid chamber deployment.

516 In theory all stem sizes could be fitted, the only limitation comes from the stem texture and
517 this is valid for both semi-rigid sleeves as well as rigid chambers. In some situations, the tree
518 bark had large crevices and it was necessary to prepare the stem prior to attachment of the
519 sleeves or rigid chambers. The preparation was made by filling the crevices with mastic or
520 play dough in the shape of a frame before the chamber or sleeve could be sealed to the stem.

521 In some other situations it was enough to increase the thickness of the sleeves to reduce the

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523 percentage of uncertainty in the chamber volume (V_c). The impact of both crevices and
524 bumps could be assessed with distance measurements made on photos taken on one side of
525 the deployed sleeves.

526 Using five sleeve sizes it was possible to cover stem diameters ranging from 5 cm to 127 cm
527 at breast height (DBH). Moreover, in terms of weight the two sleeves we tested were
528 respectively 156 and 297 grams, compared to 3.3 kg for the rigid chamber. As a consequence,
529 the whole collection of sleeves fitted in a single backpack and was light to carry.

530 Under changeable conditions such as varying sunlight intensities we recommend to measure
531 the temperature inside and outside of the sleeve, and to shade the sleeve as these variable
532 conditions may alter the gas exchange processes between the stem and the atmosphere as
533 compared to those prevailing without the enclosure.

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535 **4.5 Sampling modes and regression fits**

536 In both cases, for manual sampling and continuous flow (Figs. 5 and 6), methane
537 accumulation rates were better fitted with non-linear functions (quadratic or exponential).
538 This confirms that the sleeve's closure system was sealing properly against the stems, as the
539 headspace concentration change, of a closed non-steady-state chamber (static chamber) will
540 always remain non-linear and this is driven by the laws of diffusion (Hutchinson and
541 Livingston, 2001). For the semi-rigid sleeve, the difference between both the R^2 and the
542 slopes between the linear fitted and the non-linear fitted concentration changes were roughly
543 twice as small compared to those reported in the literature for soil chambers (Christiansen et
544 al., 2011; Hutchinson and Livingston, 2001; Juszczak, 2013; Pihlatie et al., 2013).

545 Furthermore, the impact of the manual syringe sampling on the pressure fluctuation in the
546 sleeve could be somewhat minimised by the fact that the chamber volume (V_c), where the

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550 actual air mixing occurred, was increased by the additional dead volume added from the
551 analyser and tubing in continuous flow mode. Thus, the total volume ($V_{\text{tot}}=V_c+V_{\text{dead}}$) was
552 increased as much as 76% with the smaller sleeve. With rigid soil chambers this aspect is
553 often not mentioned as in those cases the dead volume is negligible compared to the large
554 chamber volume. In our case, for the manual sampling, over a 15 minutes period, we drew
555 1.8% of the total volume from the larger sleeve (4 steps of 0.44%), which in terms of mass
556 loss remains below the significance level of 5% and could be accounted for if more accuracy
557 is needed. Although the repeated gas sampling minimises somewhat the pressure build up,
558 recent studies have recommended avoiding manual sampling as much as possible because of
559 associated pressure fluctuations (Christiansen et al., 2011; Juszczak, 2013).

560 The coefficient of variation of the root-mean-square error CV (RMSE) gave 53% higher
561 coefficients for the manual sampling mode compared to the continuous flow mode thus
562 indicating that the discrepancy between the linear fitting and the non-linear fitting is higher
563 for the manual sampling mode. Moreover, as reported by some authors, fluxes calculated
564 using linear fitting together with non-steady state chambers could be underestimated by as
565 much as 40% (Christiansen et al., 2011; Pihlatie et al., 2013; Kutzbach et al., 2007). In our
566 case, the underestimation was 27% for manual sampling mode and 18% for the continuous
567 flow mode. As a consequence we would recommend using non-linear fitting (quadratic or
568 exponential) together with manual sampling of the semi-rigid sleeves. In continuous flow
569 mode, it is better to reduce the closure times as much as possible if planning to use linear
570 fitting for greater simplicity. Both measures will contribute to improving line-fitting and
571 estimating CH₄ accumulation rates.

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573 **5 Conclusions**

574 Although all chamber types performed well, the semi-rigid design had numerous benefits
575 including reduced gas permeability and an optimal S_c -to- V_{tot} ratio. Furthermore, they can be
576 easily constructed and transported in multiple sizes, are extremely light, cheap to build and
577 fast to deploy. As an example, in three of our tropical campaigns it was possible to carry a
578 complete collection of semi-rigid sleeves in a single backpack. The collection covered the
579 sampling of all ecosystem stem-sizes. Alternatively, we could also build the chambers on-site
580 after prior testing of the compounds for background emissions. The PET and PC sheets of the
581 sleeves are sturdy and lasted the duration of the campaigns, while the closed-cell Neoprene
582 strips could be used for several weeks in the field before they needed to be replaced.

583 Connecting the sleeves in continuous flow mode to fast and precise laser-spectroscopic gas
584 analysers (CRD or OA-ICOS technologies) enables the combined analysis and air mixing of
585 the sleeve's enclosed volume, as well as reducing the closure periods to no-more than three
586 minutes, making linear fitting from initial rates less problematic. To ensure optimal accuracy
587 of the concentration measurements, it is best to calibrate each individual sleeve's total volume
588 by diluting a standard gas in the entire setup (chamber, connectors, tubes and analyser) prior
589 to starting a measurement programme.

590 Finally, to make good estimates of the global importance of tree-stem CH_4 emissions, it is
591 essential to make measurements that cover all types of trees (species and morphotypes)
592 present within the often remote ecosystems explored. This necessitates great adaptability in
593 the chamber sizing and transport logistics. The semi-rigid sleeves meet these requirements
594 without compromising the quality of the data collected.

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682 **Figure captions**

683 **Figure 1.** Smaller semi-rigid stem sleeve attached to a stem. The plastic PET sheet (a) has
684 three imprinted circular rims (b) that ensured good stability and natural curvature of the sleeve.
685 The circumference of the sheet was framed with a 1.5 cm thick and 3 cm wide expanded
686 Neoprene strip (c) that sealed off the headspace located between the sheet and the stem. Inside
687 this volume there were two vertical wedges (d) that kept the sheet at equidistance from the
688 stem along the radial periphery of the sleeve. In its centre the sleeve was equipped with two

689 Snap-on rubbers with inserted three-way stopcocks (e) that were further connected to PVC
690 tubes that went from the sleeve to the Ultraportable Greenhouse Gas Analyser. A coiled vent
691 was placed in one corner of the sleeve (f) to regulate the pressure. The chamber was tightened
692 to the stem with the help of two straps that perfectly aligned on top of the horizontal strips.

693 **Figure 2.** The three steps of the semi-rigid stem sleeve deployment. To ensure a good contact
694 between the frame strips and the stem it was important to distribute the pressure of each strap
695 all around the frames' periphery when tightening the sleeve. Close to the centre two Snap-on
696 rubbers with inserted three-way stopcocks were pressed into the PET or PC plastic sheet.
697 These stopcocks were connected to the two PVC tubes that circulated air in a continuous flow
698 mode when connected to an Ultraportable Greenhouse Gas Analyser (UGGA).

699 **Figure 3.** Potential air contact path lines (chamber air versus ambient air) where gas diffusion
700 can occur; a comparison between the acrylic rigid cylinder approach and the semi-rigid sleeve
701 approach. The red lines represented the mobile contact lines that needed to be sealed properly
702 every time the chambers were deployed and where most of the losses were likely to occur.
703 The green lines represented the fixed contact lines which could have been leaking as a result
704 of twisting forces on the joints leading to cracks.

705 **Figure 4.** 2-D Layout for the chamber volume (V_c) calculation based on the stem diameter
706 (D_{stem}), the thickness of the chamber (T), the sector covered by the chamber (K) and the
707 volume of the wedges (V_{wedge}). Refer to the text for the volume calculations.

708 **Figure 5.** Contrasting methane concentration changes in the semi-rigid sleeve from enclosed
709 gas samples measured in a manual mode (syringe) from tree-stems. In the first six runs (top
710 quadrants) the concentration changes were regressed with a linear fit, while in the second set
711 of runs they were regressed with a quadratic fit (non-linear). All runs 1-6 were measured on
712 *Heisteria concinna* stems from a tropical lowland forest. The blue line corresponds to 95%

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715 | methane concentration in ppmv.

716 | **Figure 6.** Contrasting methane concentration changes in the semi-rigid sleeve from enclosed
717 | gas samples measured in continuous flow mode (UGGA) from tree-stems. In the first six runs
718 | (top quadrants) the concentration changes were regressed with a linear fit, while in the second
719 | set of runs (bottom quadrants) they were regressed with quadratic fit (non-linear). Runs 1, 2, 3,
720 | and 5 were made on *Betula pendula* stems, runs 4 and 6 were made on *Pinus sylvestris* stems,
721 | runs 3 and 6 show the concentration responses in situations where the sleeves were leaking.

722 | The blue line corresponds to 95% confidence intervals, $RMSE$ = root-mean-square error, R^2 =
723 | coefficient of determination, Y = methane concentration in ppmv.

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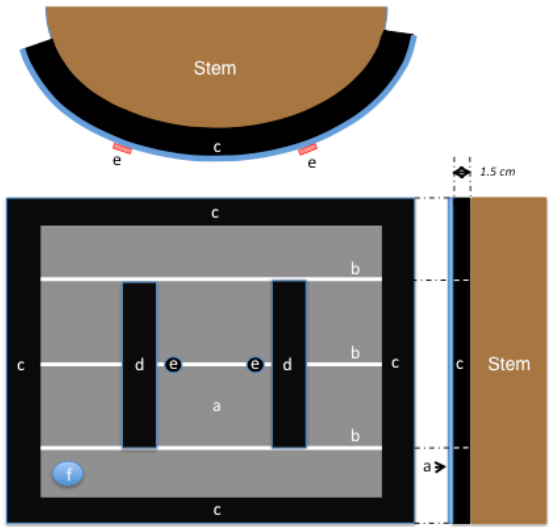
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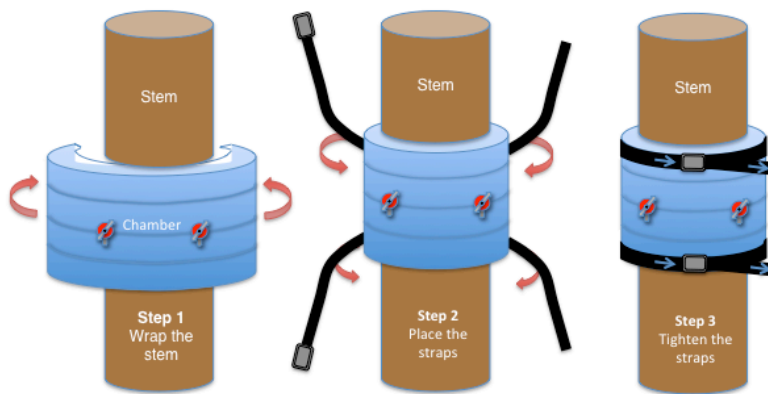


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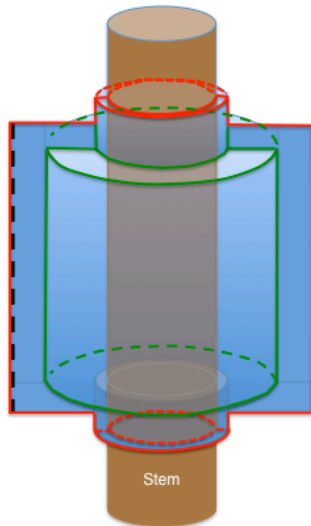
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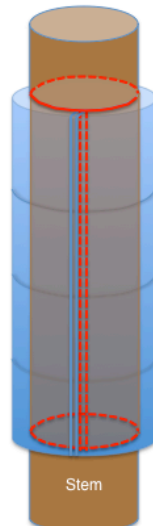
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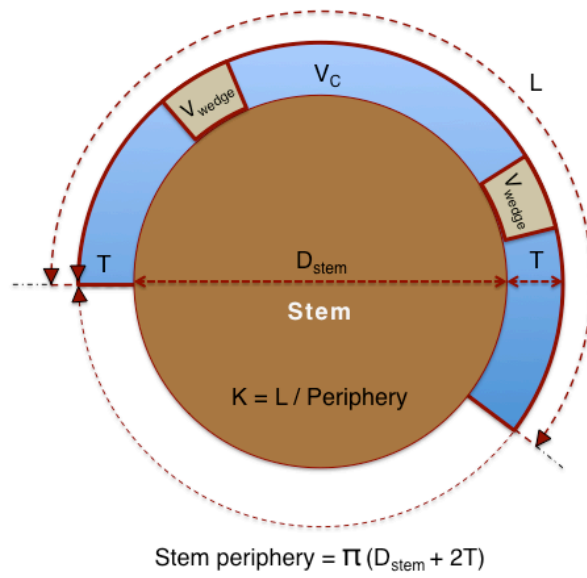
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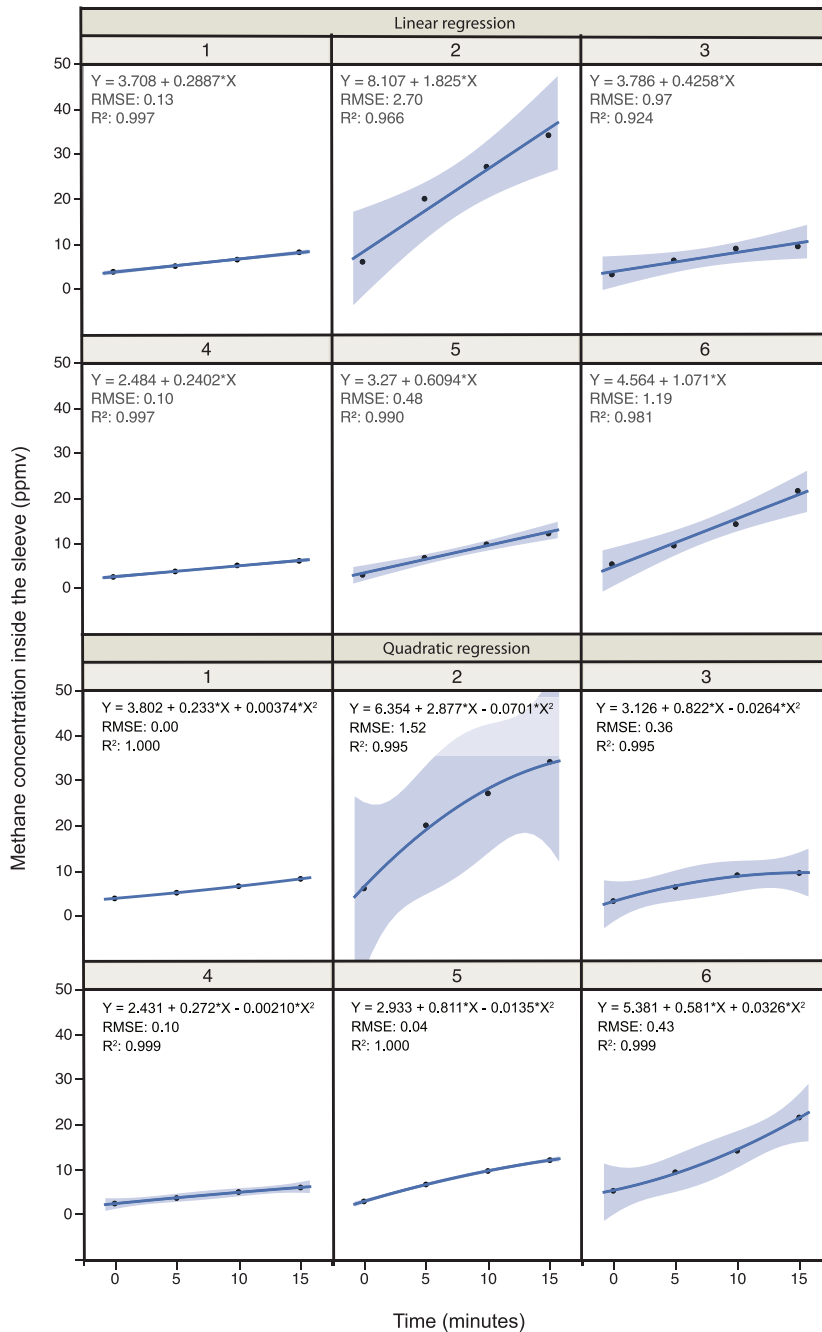
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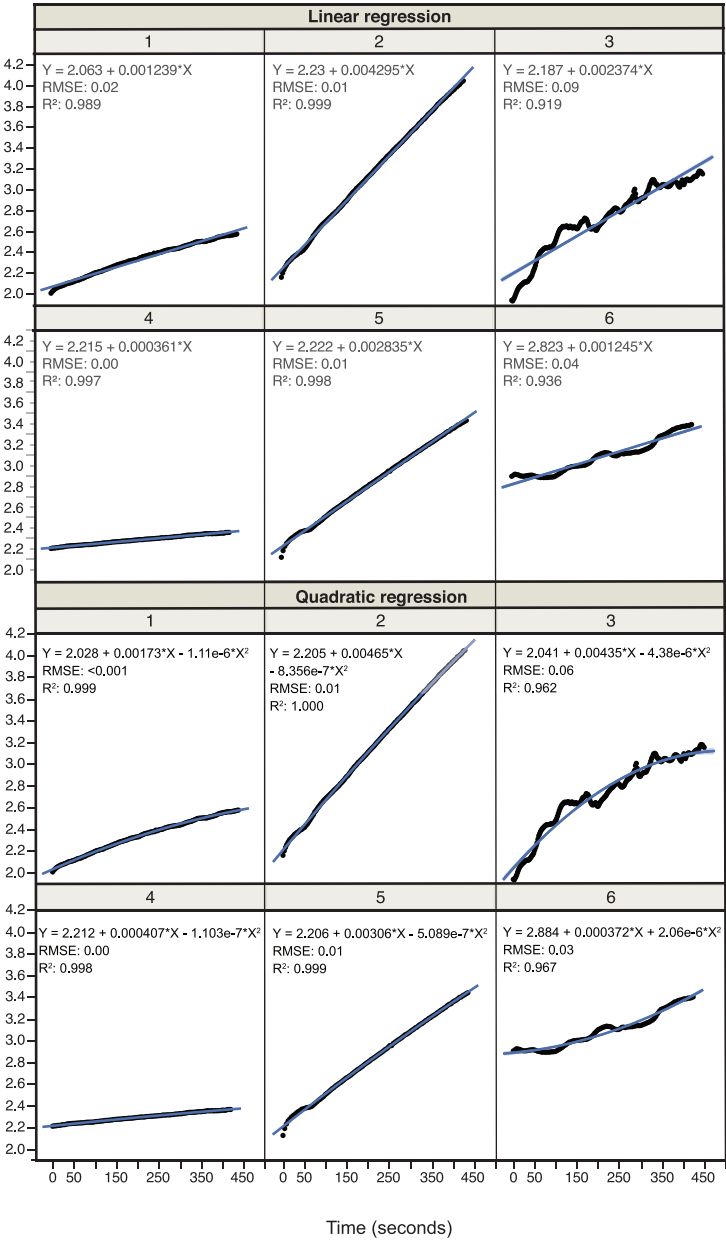
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S1. Chamber dimensions and permeabilities (P) determined for all replicates ($n = 3$), calculated from the methane decline slope ($Slope$), the total chamber volume (V_{tot}), the initial concentration gradient between outside and inside ($C_0 - C_{atm}$) and the gas exchange surface (S_c). D = metallic cylinder diameter, L = length, H = height, T = thickness, C_0 = initial chamber concentration, $C_{atm} = 1.8951$ ppmv, R^2 = coefficient of determination of the decline regression, V_c = volume of the chamber, $V_{tot} = V_c + V_{dead}$, V_{dead} = dead volume to the analyser plus the tubes = 416 cm^3 . The precision was calculated from the relative standard error (RSE) of C_0 . The accuracy was determined from the mean of the absolute value difference between V_{tot} (predicted) and V'_{tot} (observed) divided by V_{tot} .

Enclosure	Type	D (cm)	L (cm)	H (cm)	T (cm)	S_c (cm ²)	V_c (cm ³)	V_{dead} (cm ³)	V_{tot} (cm ³)	t_0 (min)	t_1 (min)	t_2 (min)	C_0 (ppmv)	C_1 (ppmv)	C_2 (ppmv)	$Slope$ (mg m ⁻³ s ⁻¹)	R^2 (n.a.)	J (mg m ⁻² s ⁻¹)	P (m ³ m ⁻² s ⁻¹)	C_{atm} C_{atm}	V'_{tot} (cm ³)
Semi-rigid	1-Small sleeve	15	25	16	1.5	330	550	416	966	0	10	20	109.1	106.4	106.1	-1.73E-03	0.804	-5.06E-05	6.69E-07	1.8951	933
Semi-rigid	1-Small sleeve	15	25	16	1.5	330	550	416	966	0	10	20	105.7	103.4	101.6	-2.40E-03	0.994	-7.03E-05	9.59E-07	1.8951	963
Semi-rigid	1-Small sleeve	15	25	16	1.5	330	550	416	966	0	10	20	112.6	110.3	108.7	-2.30E-03	0.992	-6.73E-05	8.61E-07	1.8951	903
Semi-rigid	2-Large sleeve	15	30	24	1.5	594	990	416	1406	0	10	20	73.5	72.3	72.0	-9.05E-04	0.914	-2.14E-05	4.24E-07	1.8951	1397
Semi-rigid	2-Large sleeve	15	30	24	1.5	594	990	416	1406	0	10	20	71.2	70.0	69.8	-8.36E-04	0.858	-1.98E-05	4.04E-07	1.8951	1442
Semi-rigid	2-Large sleeve	15	30	24	1.5	594	990	416	1406	0	10	20	69.6	68.4	67.5	-1.22E-03	0.993	-2.88E-05	6.04E-07	1.8951	1478
Rigid	3-Acrylic chamber	15	28	30	6.5	1413	13165	416	13581	0	10	20	9.3	9.2	9.1	-8.98E-05	0.950	-8.64E-06	1.66E-06	1.8951	13535
Rigid	3-Acrylic chamber	15	28	30	6.5	1413	13165	416	13581	0	10	20	9.8	9.8	9.7	-6.36E-05	0.880	-6.11E-06	1.09E-06	1.8951	12591
Rigid	3-Acrylic chamber	15	28	30	6.5	1413	13165	416	13581	0	10	20	9.6	9.5	9.5	-9.31E-05	0.963	-8.94E-06	1.64E-06	1.8951	12952

Enclosure type	Precision (%)	Inaccuracy (%)
1-Small sleeve	1.82	3.39
2-Large sleeve	1.59	2.35
3-Acrylic chamber	1.68	4.09

S2. Calculation of the contact distance-to-exchange surface ratio (see text) for the two enclosure types: semi-rigid and rigid; D = stem diameter, L = peripheral length of the chamber or sleeve, H = height of the chamber or sleeve, T = thickness of the chamber or sleeve, $Opening$ = central cylinder diameter, $Frame$ = size of the frame at the edge of the rigid chamber, V_c = chamber volume, ES = gas exchange surface, CD = air contact distance of the mobile lines.

Chamber type	D (cm)	L (cm)	H (cm)	T (cm)	$Opening$ (cm)	$Frame$ (cm)	V_c (cm ³)	ES (cm ²)	CD (cm)	CD/ES (m ⁻¹)
Semi-rigid	15	47	30	1.5	n.a	n.a	2120	1413	154	0.109
Rigid cylinder	15	28	30	6.5	18.0	5.0	13164	1413	333	0.236

S3. Methane concentration [changes](#) (ppmv) from tree-stems measured in the manual mode (syringe) as a function of the closure time and species of tree. Full data for plots collected in tropical lowlands of Gigante, Republic of Panama.

#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (minutes)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
1	1	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	0	3.8005
2	1	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	5	5.0608
3	1	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	10	6.4977
4	1	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	15	8.1324
5	2	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	0	6.0144
6	2	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	5	20.0046
7	2	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	10	27.0951
8	2	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	15	34.0723
9	3	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	0	3.2066
10	3	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	5	6.3326
11	3	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	10	8.9470
12	3	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	15	9.4321
13	4	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	0	2.4527
14	4	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	5	3.6731
15	4	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	10	5.0027
16	4	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	15	6.0129
17	5	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	0	2.9245
18	5	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	5	6.6789
19	5	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	10	9.6737
20	5	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	15	12.0823
21	6	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	0	5.2829
22	6	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	5	9.3913
23	6	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	10	14.1636
24	6	<i>Heisteria concinna</i>	15	21.5350

S4. Methane concentration [changes](#) from tree-stems measured in the continuous mode as a function of the closure time and species of tree. Full data for plots collected from the northern boreal zone in Sweden.

#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
1	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	0	2.0043
2	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	3	2.0206
3	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	6	2.0322
4	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	9	2.0432
5	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	12	2.0519
6	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	15	2.0580
7	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	18	2.0648
8	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	21	2.0694
9	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	24	2.0724
10	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	27	2.0784
11	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	30	2.0814
12	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	33	2.0879
13	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	36	2.0937
14	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	39	2.0985
15	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	42	2.0996
16	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	45	2.1045
17	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	48	2.1063
18	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	51	2.1109
19	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	54	2.1161
20	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	57	2.1219
21	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	60	2.1259
22	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	63	2.1289
23	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	66	2.1317
24	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	69	2.1364
25	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	72	2.1428
26	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	75	2.1467
27	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	78	2.1522
28	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	81	2.1587
29	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	84	2.1639
30	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	87	2.1682
31	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	90	2.1738
32	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	93	2.1791
33	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	96	2.1831
34	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	99	2.1913
35	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	102	2.1962
36	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	105	2.2009
37	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	108	2.2013
38	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	111	2.2071
39	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	114	2.2104
40	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	117	2.2127
41	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	120	2.2157

S4. Methane concentration [changes](#) from tree-stems measured in the continuous mode as a function of the closure time and species of tree. Full data for plots collected from the northern boreal zone in Sweden.

#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
42	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	123	2.2238
43	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	126	2.2279
44	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	129	2.2323
45	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	132	2.2372
46	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	135	2.2408
47	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	138	2.2477
48	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	141	2.2507
49	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	144	2.2554
50	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	147	2.2623
51	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	150	2.2645
52	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	153	2.2706
53	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	156	2.2763
54	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	159	2.2795
55	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	162	2.2836
56	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	165	2.2857
57	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	168	2.2911
58	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	171	2.2937
59	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	174	2.2975
60	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	177	2.3010
61	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	180	2.3067
62	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	183	2.3119
63	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	186	2.3151
64	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	189	2.3163
65	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	192	2.3203
66	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	195	2.3225
67	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	198	2.3252
68	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	201	2.3264
69	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	204	2.3295
70	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	207	2.3364
71	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	210	2.3439
72	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	213	2.3464
73	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	216	2.3545
74	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	219	2.3569
75	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	222	2.3601
76	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	225	2.3630
77	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	228	2.3640
78	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	231	2.3714
79	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	234	2.3716
80	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	237	2.3738
81	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	240	2.3745
82	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	243	2.3883

S4. Methane concentration [changes](#) from tree-stems measured in the continuous mode as a function of the closure time and species of tree. Full data for plots collected from the northern boreal zone in Sweden.

#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
83	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	246	2.3813
84	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	249	2.3872
85	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	252	2.3926
86	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	255	2.3944
87	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	258	2.3957
88	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	261	2.4004
89	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	264	2.4060
90	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	267	2.4100
91	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	270	2.4136
92	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	273	2.4169
93	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	276	2.4197
94	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	279	2.4220
95	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	282	2.4247
96	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	285	2.4252
97	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	288	2.4283
98	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	291	2.4289
99	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	294	2.4308
100	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	297	2.4331
101	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	300	2.4342
102	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	303	2.4386
103	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	306	2.4427
104	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	309	2.4467
105	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	312	2.4527
106	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	315	2.4564
107	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	318	2.4603
108	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	321	2.4641
109	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	324	2.4671
110	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	327	2.4695
111	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	330	2.4746
112	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	333	2.4799
113	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	336	2.4842
114	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	339	2.4906
115	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	342	2.4952
116	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	345	2.4970
117	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	348	2.4980
118	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	351	2.4980
119	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	354	2.5004
120	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	357	2.5015
121	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	360	2.5001
122	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	363	2.5003
123	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	366	2.5030

S4. Methane concentration [changes](#) from tree-stems measured in the continuous mode as a function of the closure time and species of tree. Full data for plots collected from the northern boreal zone in Sweden.

#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
124	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	369	2.5084
125	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	372	2.5102
126	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	375	2.5128
127	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	378	2.5170
128	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	381	2.5201
129	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	384	2.5234
130	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	387	2.5287
131	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	390	2.5354
132	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	393	2.5411
133	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	396	2.5430
134	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	399	2.5454
135	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	402	2.5488
136	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	405	2.5516
137	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	408	2.5521
138	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	411	2.5561
139	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	414	2.5569
140	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	417	2.5577
141	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	420	2.5572
142	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	423	2.5593
143	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	426	2.5622
144	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	429	2.5633
145	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	432	2.5675
146	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	435	2.5706
147	1	<i>Betula pendula</i>	438	2.5720
148	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	0	2.1569
149	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	3	2.1977
150	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	6	2.2295
151	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	9	2.2556
152	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	12	2.2764
153	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	15	2.2971
154	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	18	2.3080
155	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	21	2.3219
156	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	24	2.3326
157	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	27	2.3473
158	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	30	2.3552
159	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	33	2.3667
160	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	36	2.3719
161	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	39	2.3843
162	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	42	2.3926
163	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	45	2.3970
164	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	48	2.4087

S4. Methane concentration [changes](#) from tree-stems measured in the continuous mode as a function of the closure time and species of tree. Full data for plots collected from the northern boreal zone in Sweden.

#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
165	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	51	2.4140
166	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	54	2.4298
167	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	57	2.4422
168	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	60	2.4598
169	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	63	2.4777
170	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	66	2.4961
171	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	69	2.5147
172	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	72	2.5316
173	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	75	2.5546
174	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	78	2.5686
175	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	81	2.5863
176	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	84	2.6013
177	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	87	2.6170
178	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	90	2.6328
179	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	93	2.6459
180	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	96	2.6606
181	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	99	2.6720
182	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	102	2.6835
183	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	105	2.6944
184	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	108	2.7061
185	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	111	2.7180
186	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	114	2.7302
187	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	117	2.7404
188	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	120	2.7541
189	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	123	2.7644
190	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	126	2.7745
191	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	129	2.7871
192	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	132	2.7970
193	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	135	2.8139
194	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	138	2.8236
195	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	141	2.8368
196	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	144	2.8496
197	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	147	2.8660
198	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	150	2.8804
199	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	153	2.8891
200	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	156	2.9056
201	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	159	2.9219
202	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	162	2.9386
203	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	165	2.9532
204	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	168	2.9692
205	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	171	2.9797

S4. Methane concentration [changes](#) from tree-stems measured in the continuous mode as a function of the closure time and species of tree. Full data for plots collected from the northern boreal zone in Sweden.

#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
206	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	174	2.9927
207	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	177	3.0096
208	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	180	3.0177
209	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	183	3.0313
210	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	186	3.0409
211	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	189	3.0541
212	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	192	3.0669
213	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	195	3.0779
214	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	198	3.0916
215	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	201	3.1065
216	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	204	3.1189
217	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	207	3.1305
218	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	210	3.1428
219	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	213	3.1539
220	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	216	3.1673
221	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	219	3.1824
222	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	222	3.1956
223	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	225	3.2076
224	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	228	3.2210
225	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	231	3.2344
226	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	234	3.2492
227	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	237	3.2614
228	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	240	3.2753
229	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	243	3.2858
230	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	246	3.2989
231	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	249	3.3147
232	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	252	3.3251
233	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	255	3.3369
234	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	258	3.3474
235	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	261	3.3620
236	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	264	3.3765
237	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	267	3.3866
238	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	270	3.4017
239	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	273	3.4117
240	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	276	3.4222
241	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	279	3.4349
242	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	282	3.4463
243	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	285	3.4576
244	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	288	3.4724
245	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	291	3.4836
246	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	294	3.4972

S4. Methane concentration [changes](#) from tree-stems measured in the continuous mode as a function of the closure time and species of tree. Full data for plots collected from the northern boreal zone in Sweden.

#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
247	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	297	3.5101
248	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	300	3.5238
249	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	303	3.5377
250	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	306	3.5537
251	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	309	3.5616
252	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	312	3.5738
253	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	315	3.5832
254	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	318	3.5945
255	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	321	3.6097
256	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	324	3.6258
257	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	327	3.6368
258	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	330	3.6480
259	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	333	3.6636
260	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	336	3.6711
261	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	339	3.6840
262	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	342	3.6976
263	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	345	3.7141
264	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	348	3.7245
265	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	351	3.7373
266	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	354	3.7475
267	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	357	3.7595
268	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	360	3.7720
269	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	363	3.7855
270	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	366	3.8018
271	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	369	3.8174
272	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	372	3.8254
273	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	375	3.8391
274	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	378	3.8491
275	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	381	3.8598
276	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	384	3.8719
277	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	387	3.8813
278	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	390	3.8962
279	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	393	3.9078
280	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	396	3.9160
281	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	399	3.9320
282	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	402	3.9395
283	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	405	3.9526
284	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	408	3.9609
285	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	411	3.9792
286	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	414	3.9846
287	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	417	3.9971

S4. Methane concentration [changes](#) from tree-stems measured in the continuous mode as a function of the closure time and species of tree. Full data for plots collected from the northern boreal zone in Sweden.

#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
288	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	420	4.0058
289	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	423	4.0214
290	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	426	4.0353
291	2	<i>Betula pendula</i>	429	4.0410
292	3	Leaking Betula pendula	0	1.9360
293	3	Leaking Betula pendula	2	1.9297
294	3	Leaking Betula pendula	4	1.9453
295	3	Leaking Betula pendula	6	1.9589
296	3	Leaking Betula pendula	8	1.9777
297	3	Leaking Betula pendula	10	2.0008
298	3	Leaking Betula pendula	12	2.0214
299	3	Leaking Betula pendula	14	2.0397
300	3	Leaking Betula pendula	16	2.0540
301	3	Leaking Betula pendula	18	2.0654
302	3	Leaking Betula pendula	20	2.0728
303	3	Leaking Betula pendula	22	2.0818
304	3	Leaking Betula pendula	24	2.0884
305	3	Leaking Betula pendula	26	2.0957
306	3	Leaking Betula pendula	28	2.1042
307	3	Leaking Betula pendula	30	2.1104
308	3	Leaking Betula pendula	32	2.1124
309	3	Leaking Betula pendula	34	2.1111
310	3	Leaking Betula pendula	36	2.1135
311	3	Leaking Betula pendula	38	2.1189
312	3	Leaking Betula pendula	40	2.1302
313	3	Leaking Betula pendula	42	2.1406
314	3	Leaking Betula pendula	44	2.1535
315	3	Leaking Betula pendula	46	2.1621
316	3	Leaking Betula pendula	48	2.1777
317	3	Leaking Betula pendula	50	2.2033
318	3	Leaking Betula pendula	52	2.2255
319	3	Leaking Betula pendula	54	2.2456
320	3	Leaking Betula pendula	56	2.2721
321	3	Leaking Betula pendula	58	2.3044
322	3	Leaking Betula pendula	60	2.3370
323	3	Leaking Betula pendula	62	2.3551
324	3	Leaking Betula pendula	64	2.3740
325	3	Leaking Betula pendula	66	2.3882
326	3	Leaking Betula pendula	68	2.4003
327	3	Leaking Betula pendula	70	2.4081
328	3	Leaking Betula pendula	72	2.4157

S4. Methane concentration [changes](#) from tree-stems measured in the continuous mode as a function of the closure time and species of tree. Full data for plots collected from the northern boreal zone in Sweden.

#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
329	3	Leaking Betula pendula	74	2.4251
330	3	Leaking Betula pendula	76	2.4303
331	3	Leaking Betula pendula	78	2.4370
332	3	Leaking Betula pendula	80	2.4395
333	3	Leaking Betula pendula	82	2.4389
334	3	Leaking Betula pendula	84	2.4395
335	3	Leaking Betula pendula	86	2.4413
336	3	Leaking Betula pendula	88	2.4453
337	3	Leaking Betula pendula	90	2.4473
338	3	Leaking Betula pendula	92	2.4484
339	3	Leaking Betula pendula	94	2.4466
340	3	Leaking Betula pendula	96	2.4520
341	3	Leaking Betula pendula	98	2.4629
342	3	Leaking Betula pendula	100	2.4768
343	3	Leaking Betula pendula	102	2.4939
344	3	Leaking Betula pendula	104	2.5161
345	3	Leaking Betula pendula	106	2.5398
346	3	Leaking Betula pendula	108	2.5633
347	3	Leaking Betula pendula	110	2.5851
348	3	Leaking Betula pendula	112	2.6028
349	3	Leaking Betula pendula	114	2.6178
350	3	Leaking Betula pendula	116	2.6269
351	3	Leaking Betula pendula	118	2.6334
352	3	Leaking Betula pendula	120	2.6435
353	3	Leaking Betula pendula	122	2.6450
354	3	Leaking Betula pendula	124	2.6407
355	3	Leaking Betula pendula	126	2.6429
356	3	Leaking Betula pendula	128	2.6486
357	3	Leaking Betula pendula	130	2.6486
358	3	Leaking Betula pendula	132	2.6420
359	3	Leaking Betula pendula	134	2.6325
360	3	Leaking Betula pendula	136	2.6355
361	3	Leaking Betula pendula	138	2.6475
362	3	Leaking Betula pendula	140	2.6429
363	3	Leaking Betula pendula	142	2.6335
364	3	Leaking Betula pendula	144	2.6295
365	3	Leaking Betula pendula	146	2.6373
366	3	Leaking Betula pendula	148	2.6404
367	3	Leaking Betula pendula	150	2.6348
368	3	Leaking Betula pendula	152	2.6264
369	3	Leaking Betula pendula	154	2.6215

S4. Methane concentration [changes](#) from tree-stems measured in the continuous mode as a function of the closure time and species of tree. Full data for plots collected from the northern boreal zone in Sweden.

#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
370	3	Leaking Betula pendula	156	2.6287
371	3	Leaking Betula pendula	158	2.6456
372	3	Leaking Betula pendula	160	2.6573
373	3	Leaking Betula pendula	162	2.6749
374	3	Leaking Betula pendula	164	2.6879
375	3	Leaking Betula pendula	166	2.6881
376	3	Leaking Betula pendula	168	2.6972
377	3	Leaking Betula pendula	170	2.7054
378	3	Leaking Betula pendula	172	2.7243
379	3	Leaking Betula pendula	174	2.7178
380	3	Leaking Betula pendula	176	2.7146
381	3	Leaking Betula pendula	178	2.6979
382	3	Leaking Betula pendula	180	2.6719
383	3	Leaking Betula pendula	182	2.6480
384	3	Leaking Betula pendula	184	2.6308
385	3	Leaking Betula pendula	186	2.6206
386	3	Leaking Betula pendula	188	2.6214
387	3	Leaking Betula pendula	190	2.6225
388	3	Leaking Betula pendula	192	2.6355
389	3	Leaking Betula pendula	194	2.6411
390	3	Leaking Betula pendula	196	2.6224
391	3	Leaking Betula pendula	198	2.6082
392	3	Leaking Betula pendula	200	2.6075
393	3	Leaking Betula pendula	202	2.6216
394	3	Leaking Betula pendula	204	2.6390
395	3	Leaking Betula pendula	206	2.6500
396	3	Leaking Betula pendula	208	2.6619
397	3	Leaking Betula pendula	210	2.6700
398	3	Leaking Betula pendula	212	2.6773
399	3	Leaking Betula pendula	214	2.6864
400	3	Leaking Betula pendula	216	2.6962
401	3	Leaking Betula pendula	218	2.7031
402	3	Leaking Betula pendula	220	2.7164
403	3	Leaking Betula pendula	222	2.7298
404	3	Leaking Betula pendula	224	2.7411
405	3	Leaking Betula pendula	226	2.7500
406	3	Leaking Betula pendula	228	2.7600
407	3	Leaking Betula pendula	230	2.7703
408	3	Leaking Betula pendula	232	2.7769
409	3	Leaking Betula pendula	234	2.7807
410	3	Leaking Betula pendula	236	2.7906

S4. Methane concentration [changes](#) from tree-stems measured in the continuous mode as a function of the closure time and species of tree. Full data for plots collected from the northern boreal zone in Sweden.

#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
411	3	Leaking Betula pendula	238	2.7997
412	3	Leaking Betula pendula	240	2.8076
413	3	Leaking Betula pendula	242	2.8170
414	3	Leaking Betula pendula	244	2.8210
415	3	Leaking Betula pendula	246	2.8194
416	3	Leaking Betula pendula	248	2.8155
417	3	Leaking Betula pendula	250	2.8085
418	3	Leaking Betula pendula	252	2.7968
419	3	Leaking Betula pendula	254	2.7878
420	3	Leaking Betula pendula	256	2.7832
421	3	Leaking Betula pendula	258	2.7863
422	3	Leaking Betula pendula	260	2.7942
423	3	Leaking Betula pendula	262	2.8025
424	3	Leaking Betula pendula	264	2.8204
425	3	Leaking Betula pendula	266	2.8335
426	3	Leaking Betula pendula	268	2.8475
427	3	Leaking Betula pendula	270	2.8535
428	3	Leaking Betula pendula	272	2.8600
429	3	Leaking Betula pendula	274	2.8646
430	3	Leaking Betula pendula	276	2.8743
431	3	Leaking Betula pendula	278	2.8874
432	3	Leaking Betula pendula	280	2.8954
433	3	Leaking Betula pendula	282	2.9044
434	3	Leaking Betula pendula	284	2.9201
435	3	Leaking Betula pendula	286	2.9372
436	3	Leaking Betula pendula	288	2.9812
437	3	Leaking Betula pendula	290	3.0019
438	3	Leaking Betula pendula	292	2.9564
439	3	Leaking Betula pendula	294	2.9113
440	3	Leaking Betula pendula	296	2.8870
441	3	Leaking Betula pendula	298	2.8817
442	3	Leaking Betula pendula	300	2.8857
443	3	Leaking Betula pendula	302	2.8999
444	3	Leaking Betula pendula	304	2.9083
445	3	Leaking Betula pendula	306	2.9153
446	3	Leaking Betula pendula	308	2.9174
447	3	Leaking Betula pendula	310	2.9194
448	3	Leaking Betula pendula	312	2.9212
449	3	Leaking Betula pendula	314	2.9265
450	3	Leaking Betula pendula	316	2.9451
451	3	Leaking Betula pendula	318	2.9598

S4. Methane concentration [changes](#) from tree-stems measured in the continuous mode as a function of the closure time and species of tree. Full data for plots collected from the northern boreal zone in Sweden.

#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
452	3	Leaking Betula pendula	320	2.9762
453	3	Leaking Betula pendula	322	2.9953
454	3	Leaking Betula pendula	324	3.0225
455	3	Leaking Betula pendula	326	3.0466
456	3	Leaking Betula pendula	328	3.0618
457	3	Leaking Betula pendula	330	3.0830
458	3	Leaking Betula pendula	332	3.0924
459	3	Leaking Betula pendula	334	3.0939
460	3	Leaking Betula pendula	336	3.0845
461	3	Leaking Betula pendula	338	3.0639
462	3	Leaking Betula pendula	340	3.0486
463	3	Leaking Betula pendula	342	3.0491
464	3	Leaking Betula pendula	344	3.0378
465	3	Leaking Betula pendula	346	3.0244
466	3	Leaking Betula pendula	348	3.0170
467	3	Leaking Betula pendula	350	3.0191
468	3	Leaking Betula pendula	352	3.0283
469	3	Leaking Betula pendula	354	3.0416
470	3	Leaking Betula pendula	356	3.0438
471	3	Leaking Betula pendula	358	3.0467
472	3	Leaking Betula pendula	360	3.0439
473	3	Leaking Betula pendula	362	3.0378
474	3	Leaking Betula pendula	364	3.0339
475	3	Leaking Betula pendula	366	3.0295
476	3	Leaking Betula pendula	368	3.0261
477	3	Leaking Betula pendula	370	3.0274
478	3	Leaking Betula pendula	372	3.0304
479	3	Leaking Betula pendula	374	3.0380
480	3	Leaking Betula pendula	376	3.0479
481	3	Leaking Betula pendula	378	3.0635
482	3	Leaking Betula pendula	380	3.0761
483	3	Leaking Betula pendula	382	3.0800
484	3	Leaking Betula pendula	384	3.0791
485	3	Leaking Betula pendula	386	3.0750
486	3	Leaking Betula pendula	388	3.0683
487	3	Leaking Betula pendula	390	3.0594
488	3	Leaking Betula pendula	392	3.0418
489	3	Leaking Betula pendula	394	3.0287
490	3	Leaking Betula pendula	396	3.0212
491	3	Leaking Betula pendula	398	3.0438
492	3	Leaking Betula pendula	400	3.0688

S4. Methane concentration [changes](#) from tree-stems measured in the continuous mode as a function of the closure time and species of tree. Full data for plots collected from the northern boreal zone in Sweden.

#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
493	3	Leaking Betula pendula	402	3.0902
494	3	Leaking Betula pendula	404	3.0489
495	3	Leaking Betula pendula	406	3.0455
496	3	Leaking Betula pendula	408	3.0664
497	3	Leaking Betula pendula	410	3.0882
498	3	Leaking Betula pendula	412	3.0964
499	3	Leaking Betula pendula	414	3.0986
500	3	Leaking Betula pendula	416	3.0939
501	3	Leaking Betula pendula	418	3.0849
502	3	Leaking Betula pendula	420	3.0855
503	3	Leaking Betula pendula	422	3.0903
504	3	Leaking Betula pendula	424	3.0955
505	3	Leaking Betula pendula	426	3.1035
506	3	Leaking Betula pendula	428	3.1134
507	3	Leaking Betula pendula	430	3.1211
508	3	Leaking Betula pendula	432	3.1261
509	3	Leaking Betula pendula	434	3.1231
510	3	Leaking Betula pendula	436	3.1280
511	3	Leaking Betula pendula	438	3.1401
512	3	Leaking Betula pendula	440	3.1601
513	3	Leaking Betula pendula	442	3.1733
514	3	Leaking Betula pendula	444	3.1743
515	3	Leaking Betula pendula	446	3.1700
516	3	Leaking Betula pendula	448	3.1577
517	3	Leaking Betula pendula	450	3.1484
518	4	Pinus sylvestris	0	2.2088
519	4	Pinus sylvestris	4	2.2123
520	4	Pinus sylvestris	8	2.2125
521	4	Pinus sylvestris	12	2.2162
522	4	Pinus sylvestris	16	2.2161
523	4	Pinus sylvestris	20	2.2198
524	4	Pinus sylvestris	24	2.2228
525	4	Pinus sylvestris	28	2.2232
526	4	Pinus sylvestris	32	2.2267
527	4	Pinus sylvestris	36	2.2306
528	4	Pinus sylvestris	40	2.2318
529	4	Pinus sylvestris	44	2.2336
530	4	Pinus sylvestris	48	2.2348
531	4	Pinus sylvestris	52	2.2355
532	4	Pinus sylvestris	56	2.2365
533	4	Pinus sylvestris	60	2.2381

S4. Methane concentration [changes](#) from tree-stems measured in the continuous mode as a function of the closure time and species of tree. Full data for plots collected from the northern boreal zone in Sweden.

#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
534	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	64	2.2387
535	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	68	2.2402
536	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	72	2.2404
537	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	76	2.2429
538	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	80	2.2453
539	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	84	2.2456
540	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	88	2.2458
541	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	92	2.2464
542	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	96	2.2466
543	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	100	2.2506
544	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	104	2.2517
545	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	108	2.2527
546	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	112	2.2557
547	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	116	2.2562
548	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	120	2.2589
549	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	124	2.2615
550	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	128	2.2626
551	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	132	2.2632
552	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	136	2.2656
553	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	140	2.2665
554	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	144	2.2705
555	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	148	2.2713
556	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	152	2.2726
557	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	156	2.2741
558	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	160	2.2744
559	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	164	2.2758
560	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	168	2.2791
561	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	172	2.2791
562	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	176	2.2806
563	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	180	2.2824
564	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	184	2.2822
565	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	188	2.2836
566	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	192	2.2861
567	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	196	2.2878
568	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	200	2.2899
569	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	204	2.2909
570	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	208	2.2933
571	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	212	2.2937
572	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	216	2.2933
573	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	220	2.2967
574	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	224	2.2981

S4. Methane concentration [changes](#) from tree-stems measured in the continuous mode as a function of the closure time and species of tree. Full data for plots collected from the northern boreal zone in Sweden.

#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
575	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	228	2.2992
576	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	232	2.3003
577	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	236	2.3008
578	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	240	2.3028
579	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	244	2.3036
580	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	248	2.3054
581	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	252	2.3064
582	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	256	2.3073
583	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	260	2.3115
584	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	264	2.3112
585	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	268	2.3120
586	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	272	2.3142
587	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	276	2.3129
588	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	280	2.3155
589	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	284	2.3164
590	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	288	2.3194
591	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	292	2.3211
592	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	296	2.3216
593	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	300	2.3244
594	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	304	2.3235
595	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	308	2.3270
596	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	312	2.3293
597	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	316	2.3316
598	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	320	2.3349
599	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	324	2.3366
600	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	328	2.3365
601	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	332	2.3372
602	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	336	2.3376
603	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	340	2.3404
604	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	344	2.3423
605	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	348	2.3425
606	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	352	2.3433
607	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	356	2.3453
608	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	360	2.3469
609	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	364	2.3507
610	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	368	2.3506
611	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	372	2.3502
612	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	376	2.3517
613	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	380	2.3495
614	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	384	2.3519
615	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	388	2.3509

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#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
616	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	392	2.3519
617	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	396	2.3533
618	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	400	2.3564
619	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	404	2.3557
620	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	408	2.3559
621	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	412	2.3619
622	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	416	2.3623
623	4	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	420	2.3627
624	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	0	2.1240
625	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	4	2.1879
626	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	8	2.2293
627	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	12	2.2564
628	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	16	2.2742
629	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	20	2.2926
630	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	24	2.3064
631	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	28	2.3174
632	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	32	2.3312
633	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	36	2.3427
634	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	40	2.3523
635	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	44	2.3644
636	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	48	2.3689
637	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	52	2.3741
638	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	56	2.3794
639	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	60	2.3819
640	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	64	2.3860
641	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	68	2.3918
642	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	72	2.4044
643	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	76	2.4191
644	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	80	2.4329
645	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	84	2.4477
646	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	88	2.4582
647	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	92	2.4714
648	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	96	2.4834
649	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	100	2.5005
650	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	104	2.5130
651	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	108	2.5260
652	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	112	2.5403
653	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	116	2.5540
654	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	120	2.5647
655	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	124	2.5787
656	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	128	2.5892

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#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
657	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	132	2.6012
658	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	136	2.6110
659	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	140	2.6228
660	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	144	2.6363
661	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	148	2.6490
662	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	152	2.6580
663	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	156	2.6681
664	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	160	2.6792
665	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	164	2.6922
666	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	168	2.7051
667	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	172	2.7172
668	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	176	2.7300
669	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	180	2.7385
670	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	184	2.7501
671	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	188	2.7616
672	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	192	2.7748
673	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	196	2.7870
674	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	200	2.7970
675	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	204	2.8076
676	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	208	2.8219
677	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	212	2.8308
678	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	216	2.8423
679	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	220	2.8526
680	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	224	2.8650
681	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	228	2.8757
682	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	232	2.8866
683	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	236	2.8978
684	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	240	2.9111
685	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	244	2.9198
686	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	248	2.9340
687	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	252	2.9504
688	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	256	2.9497
689	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	260	2.9693
690	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	264	2.9803
691	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	268	2.9920
692	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	272	3.0032
693	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	276	3.0125
694	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	280	3.0232
695	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	284	3.0363
696	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	288	3.0491
697	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	292	3.0558

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#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
698	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	296	3.0662
699	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	300	3.0778
700	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	304	3.0902
701	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	308	3.1001
702	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	312	3.1126
703	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	316	3.1207
704	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	320	3.1340
705	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	324	3.1452
706	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	328	3.1531
707	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	332	3.1650
708	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	336	3.1777
709	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	340	3.1870
710	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	344	3.2001
711	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	348	3.2078
712	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	352	3.2200
713	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	356	3.2287
714	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	360	3.2394
715	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	364	3.2509
716	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	368	3.2623
717	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	372	3.2741
718	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	376	3.2824
719	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	380	3.2945
720	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	384	3.3039
721	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	388	3.3188
722	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	392	3.3294
723	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	396	3.3345
724	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	400	3.3495
725	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	404	3.3587
726	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	408	3.3663
727	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	412	3.3786
728	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	416	3.3922
729	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	420	3.3972
730	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	424	3.4089
731	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	428	3.4171
732	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	432	3.4273
733	5	<i>Betula pendula</i>	436	3.4363
734	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	0	2.9010
735	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	5	2.9142
736	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	8	2.9211
737	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	12	2.9175
738	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	16	2.9134

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#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
739	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	20	2.9057
740	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	24	2.9022
741	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	28	2.9015
742	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	32	2.9032
743	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	36	2.9074
744	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	40	2.9092
745	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	44	2.9114
746	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	48	2.9114
747	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	52	2.9063
748	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	56	2.9002
749	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	60	2.8964
750	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	64	2.8928
751	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	68	2.8890
752	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	72	2.8912
753	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	76	2.8884
754	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	80	2.8902
755	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	84	2.8893
756	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	88	2.8919
757	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	92	2.8932
758	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	96	2.8939
759	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	100	2.8972
760	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	104	2.9058
761	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	108	2.9151
762	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	112	2.9251
763	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	116	2.9356
764	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	120	2.9483
765	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	124	2.9578
766	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	128	2.9710
767	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	132	2.9814
768	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	136	2.9848
769	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	140	2.9920
770	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	144	2.9946
771	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	148	2.9965
772	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	152	2.9986
773	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	156	2.9986
774	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	160	3.0025
775	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	164	3.0031
776	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	168	3.0066
777	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	172	3.0066
778	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	176	3.0138
779	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	180	3.0216

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#	Run	Tree species	Closure time (s)	CH ₄ concentration (ppmv)
780	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	184	3.0310
781	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	188	3.0467
782	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	192	3.0657
783	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	196	3.0808
784	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	200	3.0962
785	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	204	3.1032
786	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	208	3.1119
787	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	212	3.1187
788	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	216	3.1237
789	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	220	3.1283
790	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	224	3.1255
791	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	228	3.1241
792	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	232	3.1182
793	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	236	3.1070
794	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	240	3.0997
795	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	244	3.0975
796	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	248	3.0977
797	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	252	3.1054
798	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	256	3.1174
799	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	260	3.1194
800	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	264	3.1153
801	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	268	3.1208
802	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	272	3.1225
803	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	276	3.1234
804	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	280	3.1235
805	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	284	3.1282
806	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	288	3.1304
807	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	292	3.1345
808	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	296	3.1329
809	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	300	3.1345
810	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	304	3.1402
811	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	308	3.1467
812	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	312	3.1527
813	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	316	3.1605
814	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	320	3.1659
815	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	324	3.1755
816	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	328	3.1844
817	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	332	3.1981
818	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	336	3.2175
819	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	340	3.2432
820	6	Leaking Pinus sylvestris	344	3.2651

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821	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	348	3.2816
822	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	352	3.2887
823	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	356	3.2940
824	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	360	3.3014
825	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	364	3.3086
826	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	368	3.3189
827	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	372	3.3282
828	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	376	3.3390
829	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	380	3.3501
830	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	384	3.3536
831	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	388	3.3630
832	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	392	3.3668
833	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	396	3.3703
834	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	400	3.3759
835	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	404	3.3802
836	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	408	3.3799
837	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	412	3.3862
838	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	416	3.3860
839	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	420	3.3907
840	6	<i>Leaking Pinus sylvestris</i>	424	3.3975