

Table S6: Final content of sapling leaf nutrients & Table S7: Final concentration of sapling leaf nutrients**Table S6. Content (mass in mg) of sapling leaf nutrients at the end of the experiment.**

| Leaf nutrient | Treatment | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|-----------------------------|----------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| | control | conifer biochar granules | sugar maple biochar | IY | conifer biochar granules + IY | sugar maple biochar + IY | IY + Bv | conifer biochar granules + IY + Bv | sugar maple biochar + IY + Bv |
| N | 87.83 (6.85) | 98.12 (4.66) | 112.06 (6.15) | 170.53(12.21) | 173.99(10.40) | 178.53(15.01) | 141.85 (8.79) | 174.50(11.61) | 176.48 (8.00) |
| P | 8.76 (0.65) | 9.38 (0.56) | 13.41 (0.66) | 13.67 (0.97) | 14.78 (0.86) | 16.75 (1.42) | 11.66 (0.64) | 14.73 (0.94) | 16.22 (0.76) |
| K | 59.29 (4.89) | 67.00 (3.26) | 80.31 (3.96) | 93.84 (9.12) | 109.65 (6.45) | 119.94(10.92) | 79.46 (5.37) | 110.59 (7.99) | 111.93 (5.22) |
| Mg | 14.62 (1.16) | 16.32 (0.78) | 20.43 (1.26) | 24.34 (1.74) | 25.18 (1.57) | 31.08 (2.62) | 21.80 (1.40) | 24.57 (1.41) | 29.31 (1.24) |
| Ca | 63.59 (5.00) | 62.78 (3.41) | 74.97 (4.90) | 113.45 (8.43) | 108.69 (6.82) | 120.78(11.23) | 100.07 (7.76) | 99.33 (5.54) | 122.35 (8.12) |
| Cu | 0.085 (0.012) | 0.092 (0.005) | 0.044 (0.002) | 0.055 (0.003) | 0.100 (0.006) | 0.080 (0.008) | 0.049 (0.003) | 0.067 (0.003) | 0.066 (0.005) |
| Al | 0.361 (0.030) | 0.453 (0.023) | 0.391 (0.021) | 0.586 (0.038) | 0.434 (0.024) | 0.689 (0.057) | 0.438 (0.024) | 0.484 (0.029) | 0.629 (0.030) |
| B | 0.243 (0.020) | 0.312 (0.016) | 0.337 (0.026) | 0.395 (0.027) | 0.389 (0.021) | 0.482 (0.042) | 0.304 (0.031) | 0.380 (0.023) | 0.475 (0.025) |
| Fe | 0.559 (0.044) | 0.689 (0.033) | 0.747 (0.050) | 0.958 (0.059) | 0.795 (0.044) | 1.064 (0.106) | 0.745 (0.040) | 0.870 (0.045) | 1.073 (0.048) |
| Mn | 0.254 (0.018) | 0.305 (0.023) | 0.318 (0.040) | 0.339 (0.033) | 0.357 (0.029) | 0.404 (0.050) | 0.213 (0.012) | 0.305 (0.037) | 0.285 (0.015) |
| Mo | 0.004(<0.001) | 0.004(<0.001) | 0.006(<0.001) | 0.006(<0.001) | 0.006(<0.001) | 0.006(<0.001) | 0.005(<0.001) | 0.006(<0.001) | 0.007(<0.001) |
| Na | 0.427 (0.029) | 0.469 (0.026) | 0.415 (0.023) | 0.651 (0.063) | 0.491 (0.039) | 0.793 (0.089) | 0.594 (0.038) | 0.651 (0.038) | 0.675 (0.026) |
| S | 7.774 (0.608) | 8.904 (0.438) | 11.144(0.594) | 13.228(0.951) | 13.278(0.786) | 15.092(1.244) | 10.422(0.600) | 13.508(0.921) | 14.100(0.885) |
| Zn | 0.298 (0.020) | 0.334 (0.016) | 0.331 (0.018) | 0.414 (0.025) | 0.424 (0.023) | 0.637 (0.063) | 0.351 (0.023) | 0.476 (0.042) | 0.503 (0.021) |

Leaf nutrients were calculated using mean leaf nutrient concentration values multiplied by total dry leaf mass for each replicate (n = 12 for all treatments). Results of Dunnett's test for statistical significance compared to control are indicated in bold where p < 0.05. IY = inactivated yeast, Bv = *Bacillus velezensis*.

Table S7. Concentration of maple sapling leaf nutrients at the end of the experiment.

| Leaf nutrient | Treatment | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|--|-----------------------------|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| | control | conifer biochar granules | sugar maple biochar | IY | conifer biochar granules + IY | sugar maple biochar + IY | IY + Bv | conifer biochar granules + IY + Bv | sugar maple biochar + IY + Bv |
| N % | 1.613 (0.026) | 1.540 (0.078) | 1.477 (0.070) | 1.977 (0.111) | 1.963 (0.041) | 1.653 (0.067) | 1.767 (0.058) | 1.767 (0.020) | 1.590 (0.061) |
| P % | 0.162 (0.008) | 0.148 (0.019) | 0.178 (0.014) | 0.159 (0.010) | 0.167 (0.005) | 0.156 (0.013) | 0.146 (0.003) | 0.149 (0.002) | 0.146 (0.006) |
| K % | 1.087 (0.007) | 1.051 (0.060) | 1.060 (0.040) | 1.052 (0.058) | 1.237 (0.024) | 1.103 (0.050) | 0.987 (0.049) | 1.117 (0.035) | 1.008 (0.034) |
| Mg % | 0.270 (0.025) | 0.256 (0.016) | 0.268 (0.011) | 0.282 (0.015) | 0.284 (0.003) | 0.288 (0.017) | 0.272 (0.016) | 0.250 (0.013) | 0.264 (0.009) |
| Ca % | 1.182 (0.146) | 0.985 (0.080) | 0.981 (0.049) | 1.330 (0.154) | 1.230 (0.095) | 1.112 (0.068) | 1.243 (0.129) | 1.012 (0.033) | 1.101 (0.128) |
| Cu ppm | 16.33 (5.84) | 14.33 (0.33) | 5.77 (0.47) | 6.57 (0.78) | 11.47 (1.35) | 7.50 (1.10) | 6.20 (0.64) | 6.83 (0.55) | 5.93 (0.68) |
| Al ppm | 66.67 (7.26) | 71.33 (6.33) | 51.67 (4.10) | 68.67 (6.17) | 49.00 1.15 | 67.00 (13.80) | 54.67 (0.88) | 49.33 (3.33) | 56.67 (2.33) |
| B ppm | 44.67 (3.76) | 48.67 (0.67) | 44.00 (4.36) | 46.00 (3.21) | 44.33 (4.06) | 44.67 (2.96) | 37.33 (6.33) | 38.67 (1.67) | 42.67 (2.33) |
| Fe ppm | 103.33 (8.82) | 108.33 (7.26) | 99.67 (15.94) | 113.33 (13.33) | 90.00 (3.51) | 100.33 (17.03) | 93.33 (3.76) | 89.00 (5.20) | 96.67 (2.40) |
| Mn ppm | 47.67 (6.69) | 48.00 (7.57) | 41.00 (9.54) | 38.00 (2.00) | 40.00 (3.21) | 36.33 (4.33) | 26.67 (0.88) | 30.33 (5.70) | 25.67 (1.76) |
| Mo ppm | 0.77 (0.09) | 0.67 (0.02) | 0.79 (0.01) | 0.65 (0.06) | 0.67 (0.11) | 0.56 (0.10) | 0.58 (0.07) | 0.56 (0.02) | 0.60 (0.04) |
| Na ppm | 79.33 (6.74) | 73.67 (6.96) | 54.67 (1.45) | 73.33 (4.84) | 55.33 (5.70) | 71.67 (6.06) | 74.33 (6.12) | 67.33 (9.77) | 61.00 (2.00) |
| S ppm | 1433 (88) | 1400 (100) | 1467 (33) | 1533 (88) | 1500 (58) | 1400 (58) | 1300 (0) | 1367 (33) | 1267 (120) |
| Zn ppm | 55.33 (4.631) | 52.33 (2.186) | 43.67 (2.848) | 49.33 (6.984) | 48.33 (5.044) | 63.33 (18.91) | 44.33 (5.783) | 47.67 (3.480) | 45.33 (0.882) |

Leaf nutrients were analyzed using the following methods: C: combustion elemental analysis (CN628 LECO, LECO Instruments Ltd., Mississauga, ON, Canada); N: combustion and thermal conductivity detection (Elementar Vario Macro Cube, at AFL, Guelph, ON, Canada); Al, B, Ca, Cu, Fe, Mg, Mn, Mo, P, K, Na, Zn: microwave acid digestion with ICP-OES (Agilent 5110, at AFL, Guelph, ON, Canada). Values are means (\pm SE) of triplicate measurements of samples that were evenly-pooled from dried, ground leaf tissue. Results of Dunnett's test for statistical significance compared to control are indicated in bold where $p < 0.05$. IY = inactivated yeast, Bv = *Bacillus velezensis*.

NOTE: See Supplemental Tables S1-S6 & Tables S1-S5 in separate PDF document due to landscape orientation named “Sifton et al. 2023 Biochar biofert. urb. forest. Supp. File1”.