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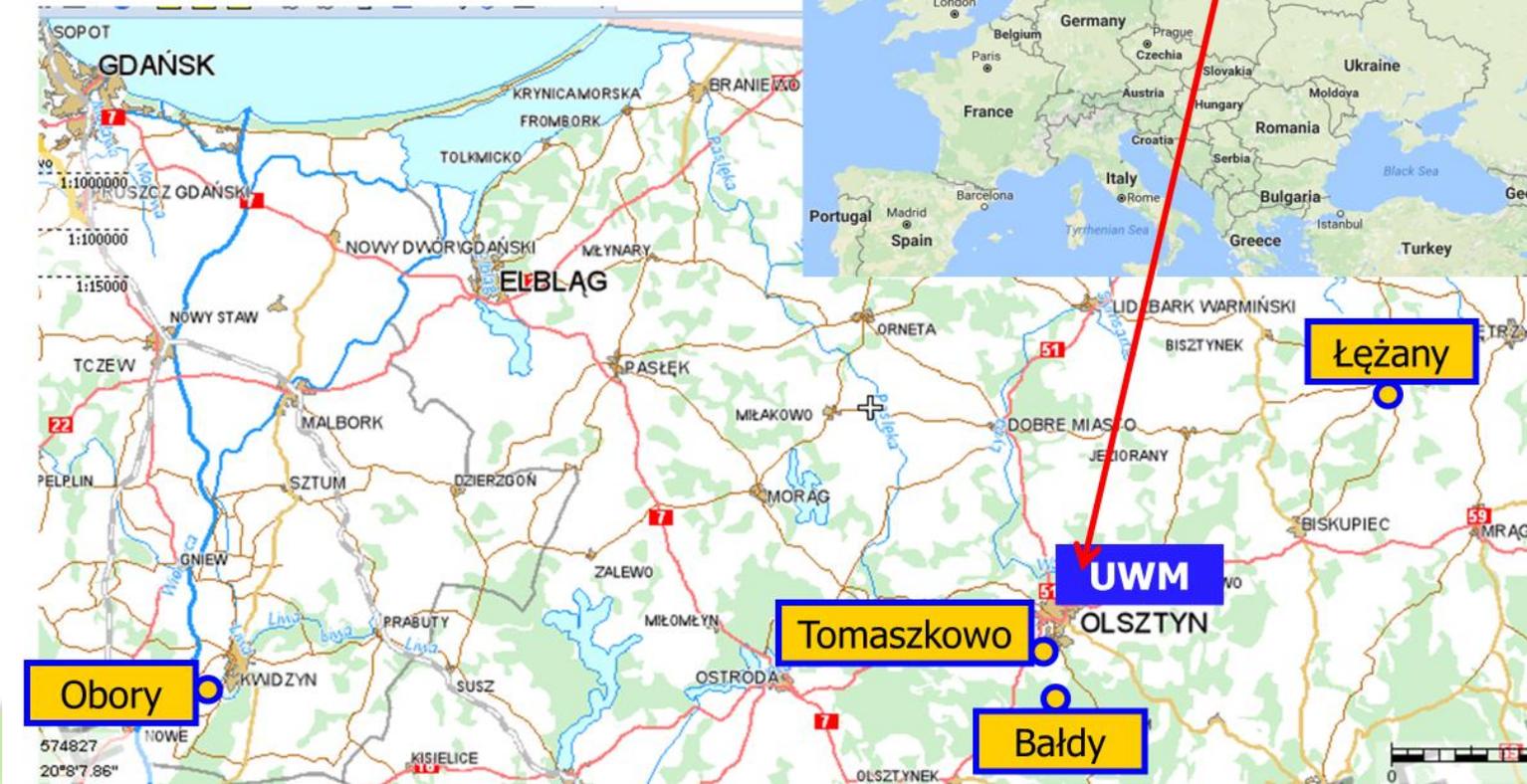
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Field experiments, biomass growing, productivity, quality and the use of perennial and annual alternative crops for energy and industrial purposes

UWM experiments with Perennial Industrial Crops (PIC) since 1992

(Stolarski 2018)



SRC in UWM experiments (woody biomass)

(Stolarski 2018)

- **14 willow cultivars:** *Start*, *Sprint*, *Turbo* (2007); *Bona*, *Kortur*, *Monotur*, *Oltur*, *Tur* (2009); *Ekotur*, *Żubr* (2015); *Aspi*, *Cortexa*, *Delta*, *Viva* (2017) and **around 150 clones** eg.: clone UWM 195C; *S. viminalis* L., clone UWM 263C; *S. viminalis* L., clone UWM 337C; *S. dasyclados* Willd, clone UWM 155; *S. pentandra* L., clone UWM 035; *S. alba* L., clone UWM 095.
- *Poplar* e.g.: *Populus balsamifera* L., clone UWM 2; *P. balsamifera* L., clone UWM 3; *P. nigra* × *P. maximowiczii* Henry cv. Max-5
- *Robinia pseudoacacia* L.



Herbaceous crops in UWM experiments (semi-woody biomass)

(Stolarski 2018)

- *Helianthus salicifolius* A.Dietr
- *Sida hermaphrodita* Rusby L.
- *Silphium perfoliatum* L.
- *Reynoutria sachalinensis* Nakai
- *R. japonica* Houtt.
- *Helianthus tuberosus* L.



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Grasses in UWM experiments (straw)

(Stolarski 2018)

- *Miscanthus* × *giganteus* J.M. Greef & M. Deuter
- *M. sacchariflorus* ((Maxim.) Hack.)
- *M. sinensis* ((Thunb.) Andersson)
- *Spartina pectinata* Bosc ex Link
- *Arundo donax* L.



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The most popular PIC in Poland

(Stolarski 2018)

Short rotation coppices - SRC (Salix and Populus)



Herbaceous crops (Sida)

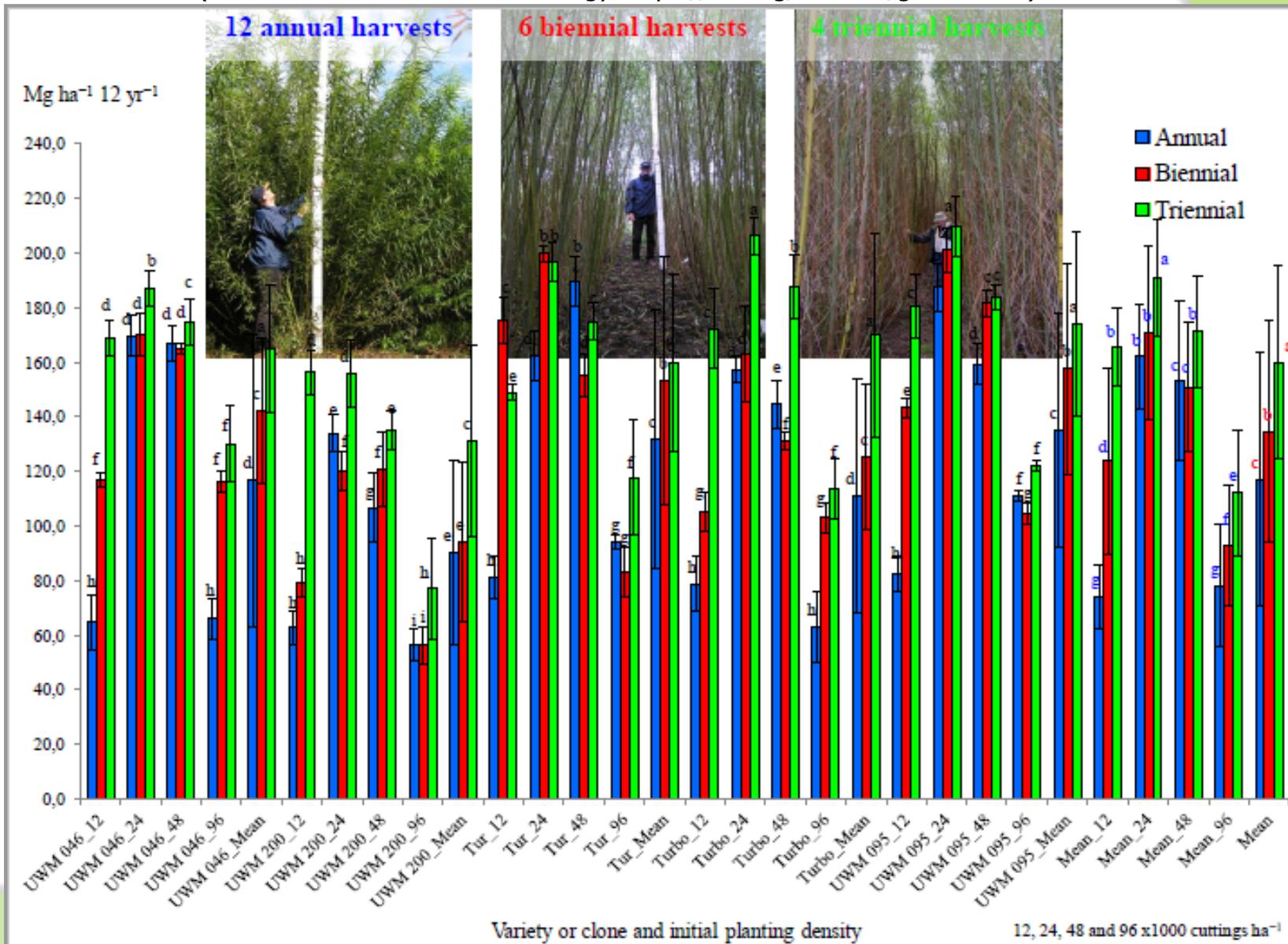


Grasses (Miscanthus)



Willow production during 12 consecutive years —The effects of harvest rotation, planting density and cultivar on dry biomass yield

(Stolarski et al. 2019. GCB Bioenergy. <https://doi.org/10.1111/gcbb.12583>)



Willow productivity from small- and large-scale experimental plantations in Poland from 2000 to 2017

(Stolarski et al. 2019. Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.rser.2018.11.034>)



annual SRC



biennial SRC



triennial SRC



quadrennial SRC



EcoSalix System



Mean yields of willow biomass in Poland
(Mg ha⁻¹ year⁻¹ d.m.)

Small-scale trials
 Large-scale plantations

Production technology and logistics of biofeedstock acquisition and processing to obtain higher added value bioproducts and conversion to solid, liquid and gaseous biofuels

(Stolarski et al. 2021. Energies. <https://doi.org/10.3390/en14216877>)



Wood chips preparation from various types of wood biomass stored at the Quercus site and the logistics transport to the end consumer

SRC – EXAMPLES OF ONE STAGE HARVEST AND BIOMASS LOGISTIC TECHNOLOGIES IN UWM

(Stolarski 2019)



SRC – EXAMPLES OF TWO STAGE HARVEST AND BIOMASS LOGISTIC TECHNOLOGIES IN UWM

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HERBACEOUS CROPS – EXAMPLES OF ONE STAGE HARVEST AND BIOMASS LOGISTIC TECHNOLOGIES IN UWM

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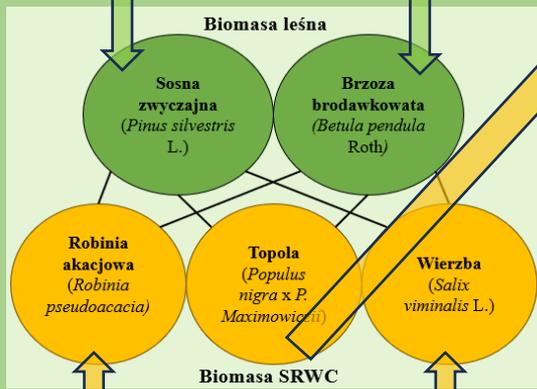


GRASSES – EXAMPLES OF TWO STAGE HARVEST AND BIOMASS LOGISTIC TECHNOLOGIES IN UWM



Short rotation woody crops and forest biomass sawdust mixture pellet production

(Stachowicz and Stolarski 2023. Industrial Crops and Products. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.indcrop.2023.116604>)

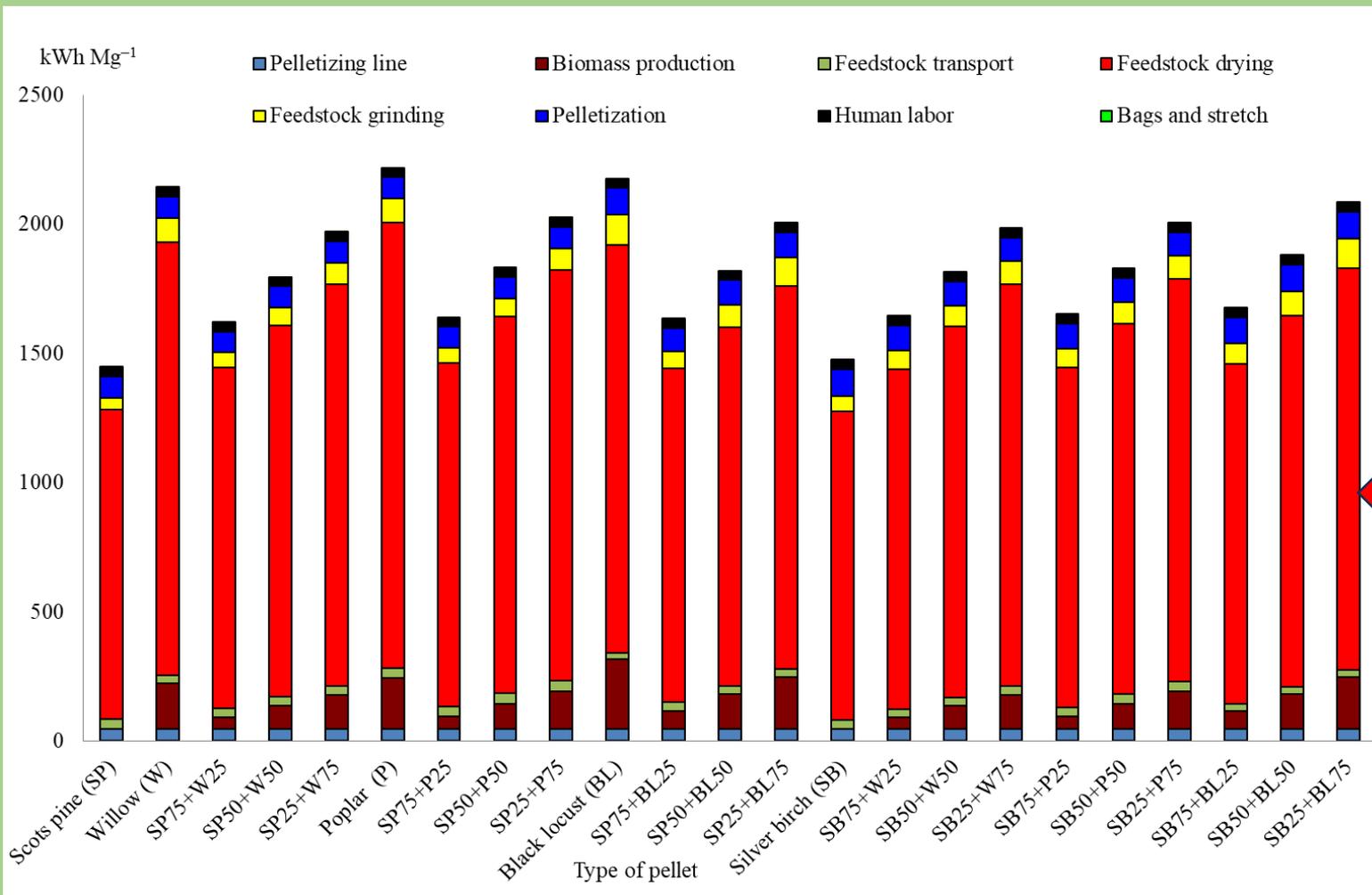


3 types of pellets \geq A1 (ISO) i Grade 1 (KFRI)
23 types of pellets in at least one class
0 out of class pellets

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ISO 17225-2:2021-10			Pellet Fuels Institute (PFI)	Korea Forest Research Institute (KFRI)		
A1	A2	B	Premium	Grade 1		
I1	I2	I3	Standard	Grade 2		
			Utility	Grade 3		
				Grade 4		



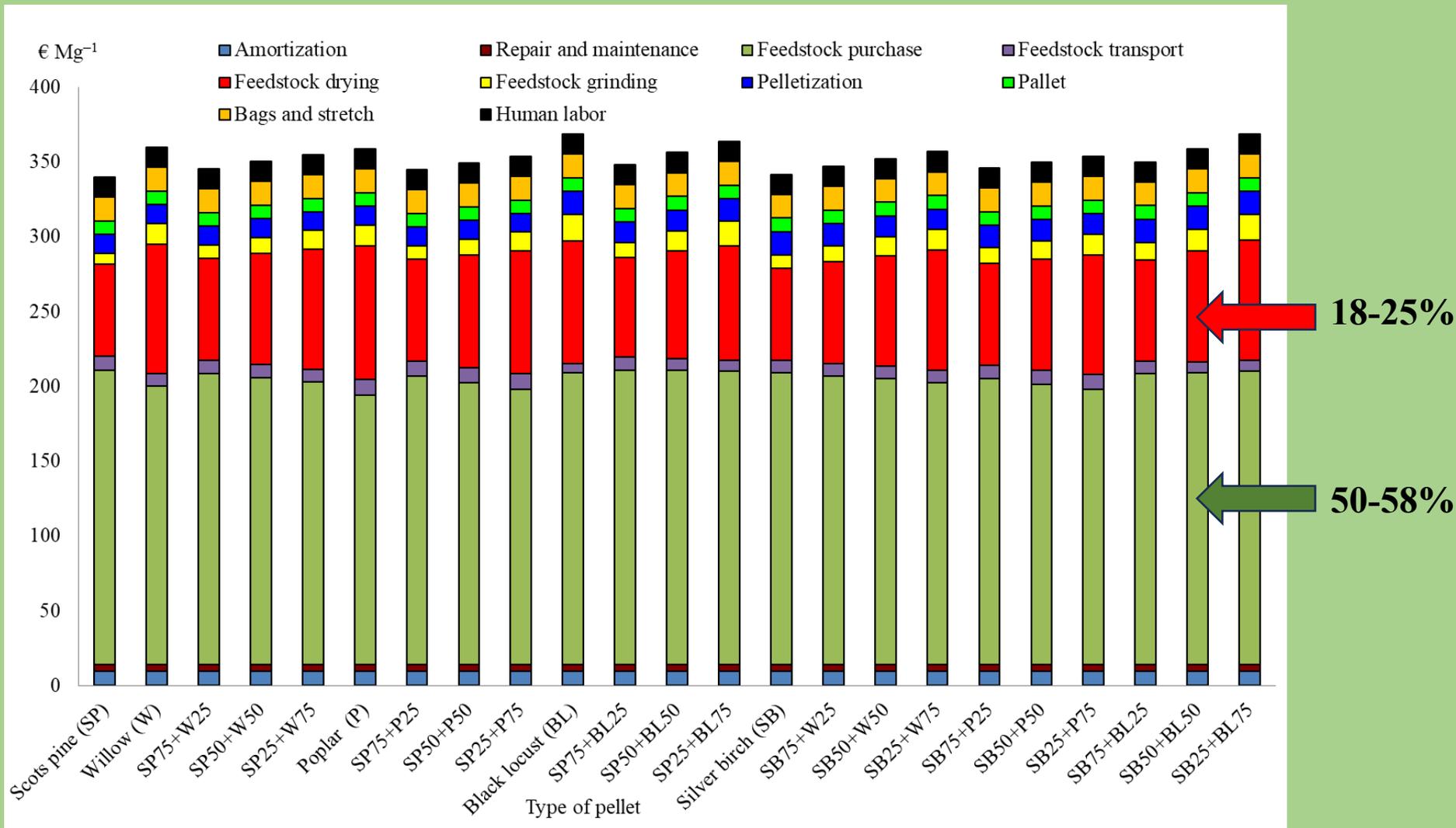
The energy input for pellet production (kWh Mg⁻¹) from selected types of forest and SRC biomass and from their mixtures (Stachowicz and Stolarski 2024. Renewable Energy. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.renene.2024.120250>)



75-83%

The cost of pellet production (€ Mg⁻¹) from selected types of forest and SRC biomass and from their mixtures

(Stachowicz and Stolarski 2024. Renewable Energy. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.renene.2024.120250>)

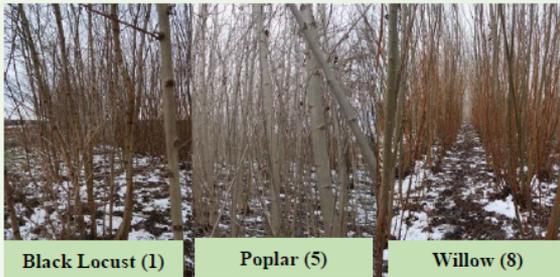


Cascaded use of various agricultural - and forest- origin biofeedstock types

Wood of one-year-old and four-year-old SRWC shoots as a raw material for multi-purpose use (Stolarski et al. 2024. Energies. <https://doi.org/10.3390/en17071535>)

Assumptions of the experiment

14 genotypes of short rotation woody crops (SRWC)



Annual and quadrennial harvest cycle



Scope of analysis

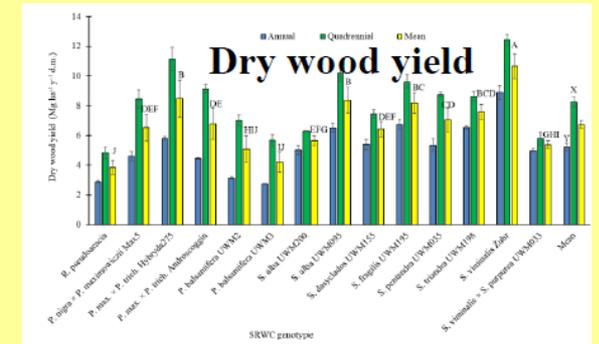
Wood yield
(Mg ha⁻¹ y⁻¹ d.m.)
Wood energy value
(GJ ha⁻¹ y⁻¹)

Thermophysical properties
HHV, moisture, ash, fixed carbon, volatile matter

Elemental composition
carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, sulfur, chlorine

Lignocellulosic composition
soluble substances, hemicellulose, cellulose, lignin

Results

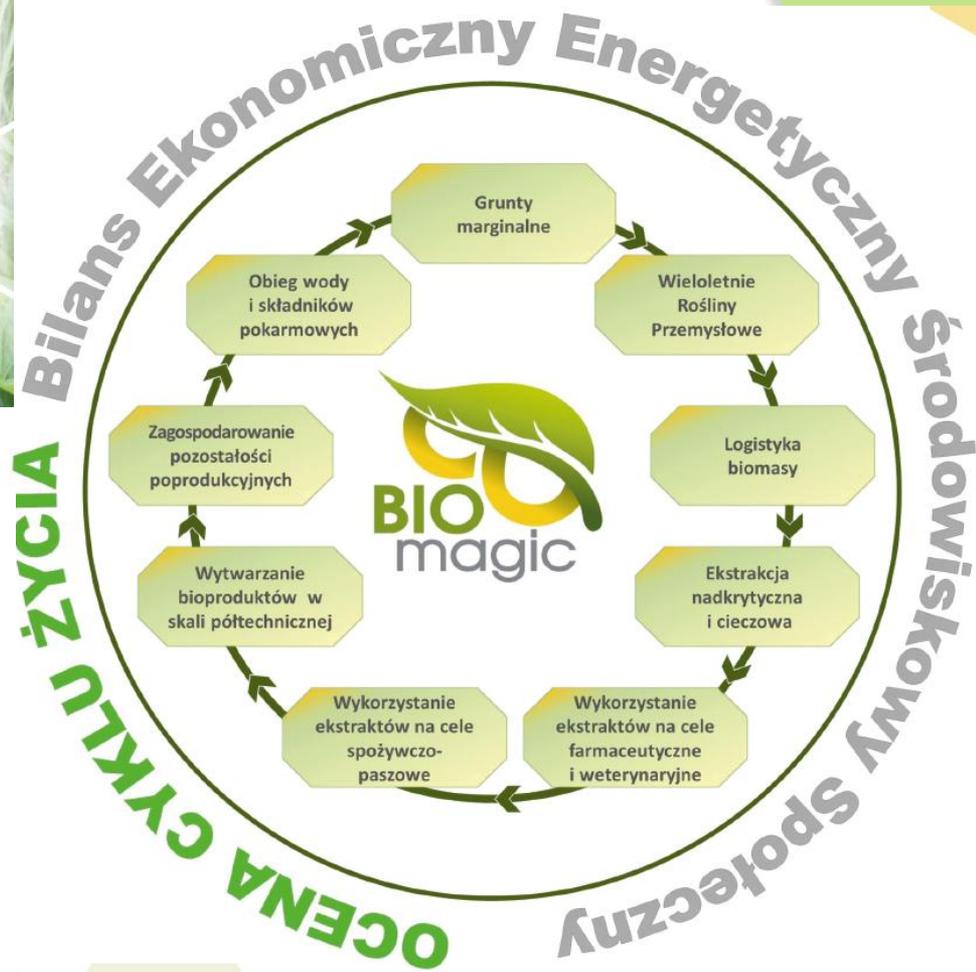


The highest dry wood yield and energy value gave willow (cultivar Żubr) in a quadrennial cycle

Willow and poplar wood contained more cellulose than black locust

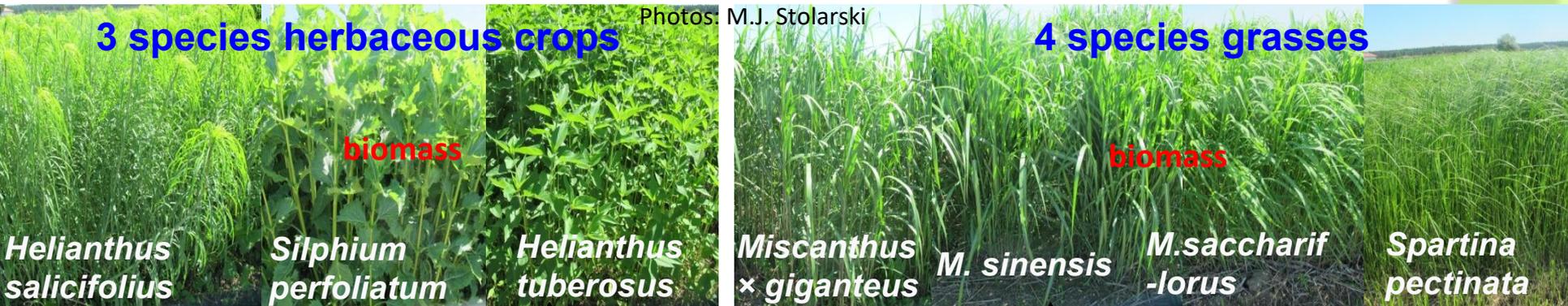
Extending harvest rotation increased the content of cellulose lignin, carbon, HHV and decrease ash moisture and N, S content

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Sustainable technologies for cultivation of Perennial Industrial Crops (Stolarski et al. 2017-2021)

- The objective of this task is to evaluate factors which affect the productivity and thermophysical and chemical properties of biomass of **11 PIC species**, generating biomass in the form of **wood, semiwood and straw**, in the context of sustainable biomass production. Elaboration of **optimal PIC cultivation technologies** on marginal land, and delivery of biomass, satisfying the quality requirements, to the project's partners.



Harvest time: (i) February/March, (ii) June, (iii) October

Plant extracts from supercritical extraction and management of post-extraction biomass

(Stolarski et al. 2017-2021)

PIC lignocellulosic biomass



source: UWM

Supercritical extraction



source: INS

Extracts



source: INS

Post-extraction biomass

in yellow mealworm rearing

for pellet production



Bordiean et al. 2022. *Insects*. <https://doi.org/10.3390/insects13090810>

Stolarski et al. 2022. *Industrial Crops and Products*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.indcrop.2022.115104>



MINT-HERB



Skład: ekstrakt z szalwii, woda, etocas, olejek miętowy, karboksymetyloceluloza, gliceryna, ekstrakt SFE z topoli, paraben

Właściwości: Preparat pielęgnacyjny do wymion zawierający innowacyjny ekstrakt SFE z topoli do pielęgnacji i łagodzenia podrażnień skóry wymienia.

Zastosowanie: Preparat stosować w celu utrzymania fizjologicznych funkcji skóry wymienia.

Uwagi: Tylko do użytku zewnętrznego.

Nie stosować na otwarte rany.

Sposób użycia: Preparat wcierać w skórę wymienia.

Profilaktycznie smarować skórę wymienia raz lub dwa razy w tygodniu.

Producent: ChemProf Doradztwo Chemiczne s.c.

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Zakład produkcyjny: ul. Pasymska 23, 12-120 Dźwierzuty

Numer weterynaryjny: α PL 2817002p

source: CP



Najlepiej wykorzystać przed:

Data produkcji/Numer partii:

Warunki przechowywania:

Przechowywać w temperaturze pokojowej,
w zamkniętym opakowaniu.

Pojemność: 1kg

Assessment of economic, energetic and environmental effectiveness of cultivation, production, logistics and processing of biomaterials

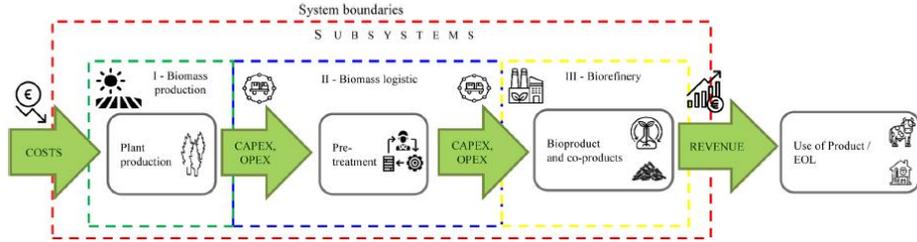
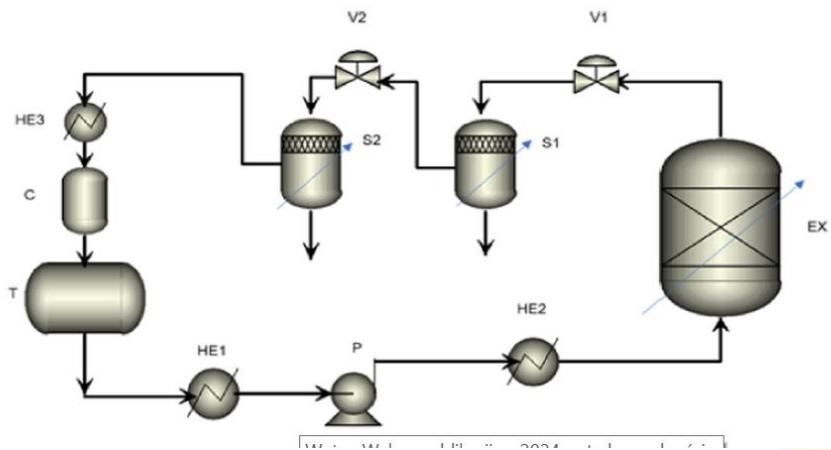
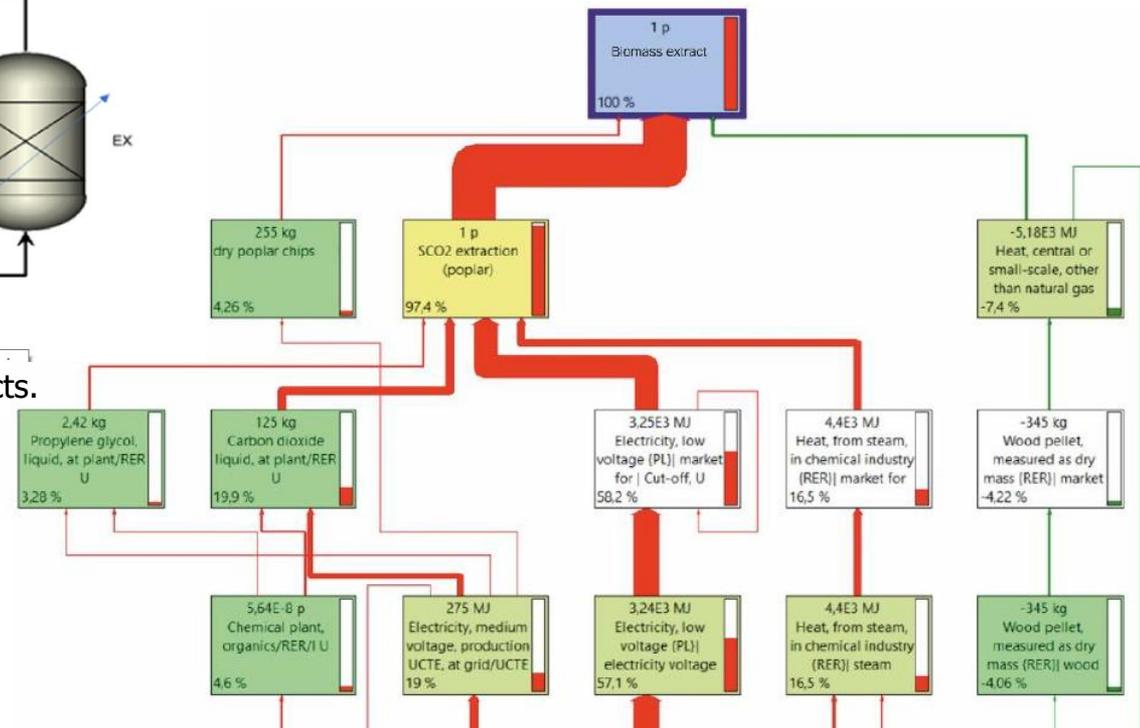


Fig. 1. System boundaries for the economic analysis (CAPEX – capital expenditures, OPEX – operational expenditures).

Economic and environmental analysis of poplar extract production



(Olba-Zięty et al. 2022. Industrial Crops and Products. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.indcrop.2022.115094>)



(Krzyżaniak et al. 2023. Energies. <https://doi.org/10.3390/en16217287>)

Assessment of economic, energetic and environmental effectiveness of cultivation, production, logistics and processing of biomaterials

CRAMBE AND CAMELINA PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY SCHEME AND ENERGY STREAMS



Indices of economic efficiency of camelina and crambe production, average for three years

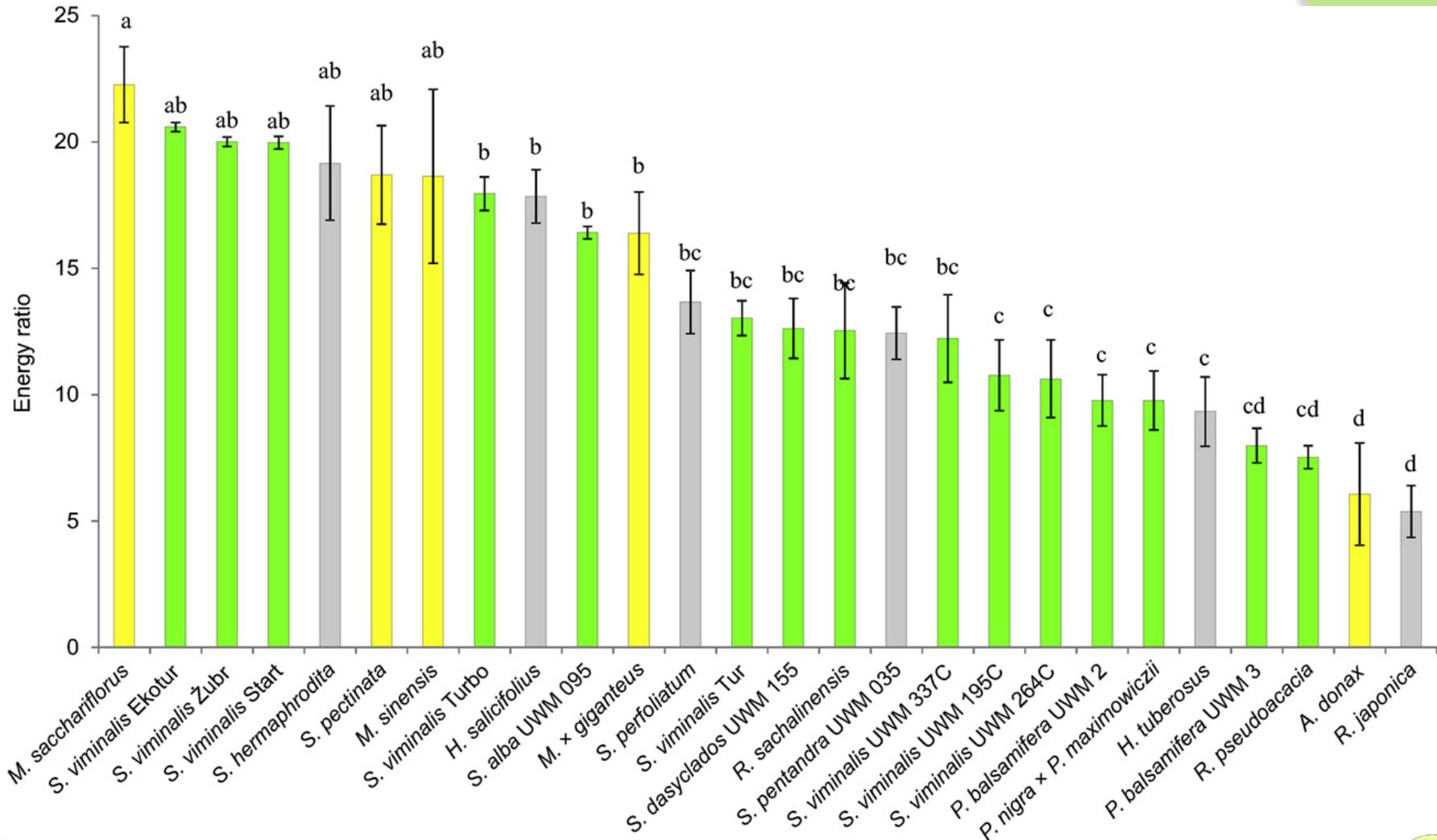
(Stolarski et al. 2018)

Item	Camelina	Crambe
Income from seeds (€ ha ⁻¹)	876.3	773.7
Income from straw (€ ha ⁻¹)	120.6	118.6
Total income (€ ha ⁻¹)	996.9	892.3
Cost of seed production (€ Mg ⁻¹)	455.5	464.9
Cost of straw production (€ Mg ⁻¹)	220.1	230.7
Cost of production regarding to the oil content (€ Mg ⁻¹)	1235.0	1383.5
Revenue from seeds (€ ha⁻¹)	312.0	199.6
Total revenue, from seeds and straw (€ ha⁻¹)	432.6	318.2

(Stolarski et al. 2018. Energy.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.energy.2018.03.021>)

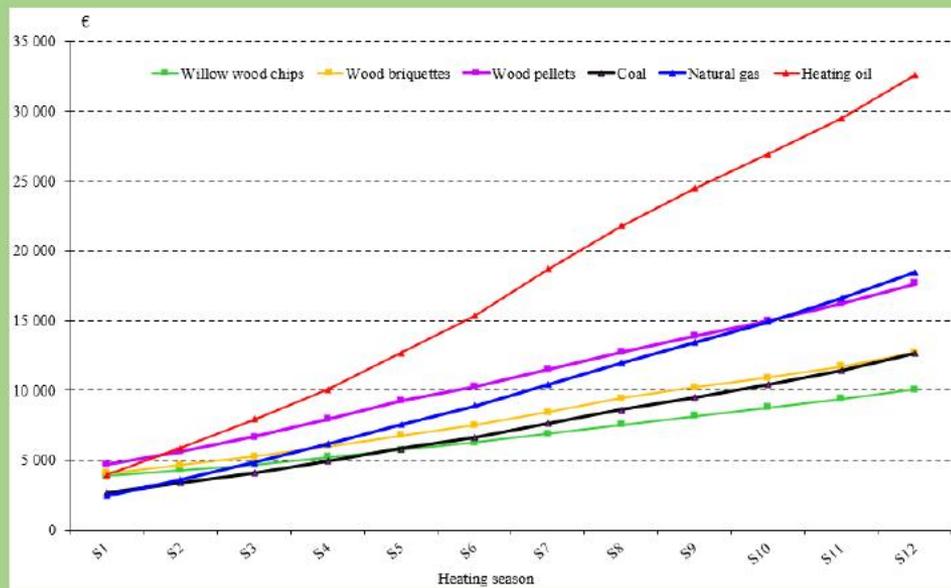
Energy ratio for the production of 26 perennial industrial crops genotypes in six consecutive annual harvest rotations (2012–2017)

(Stolarski et al. 2019; Industrial Crops and Products. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.indcrop.2019.04.022>)



Characterisation and assessment of biomass and other RES usability on an individual, local, regional, national and international level

Is heating a detached house with solid biomass for 12 years cheaper than heating with fossil fuels?



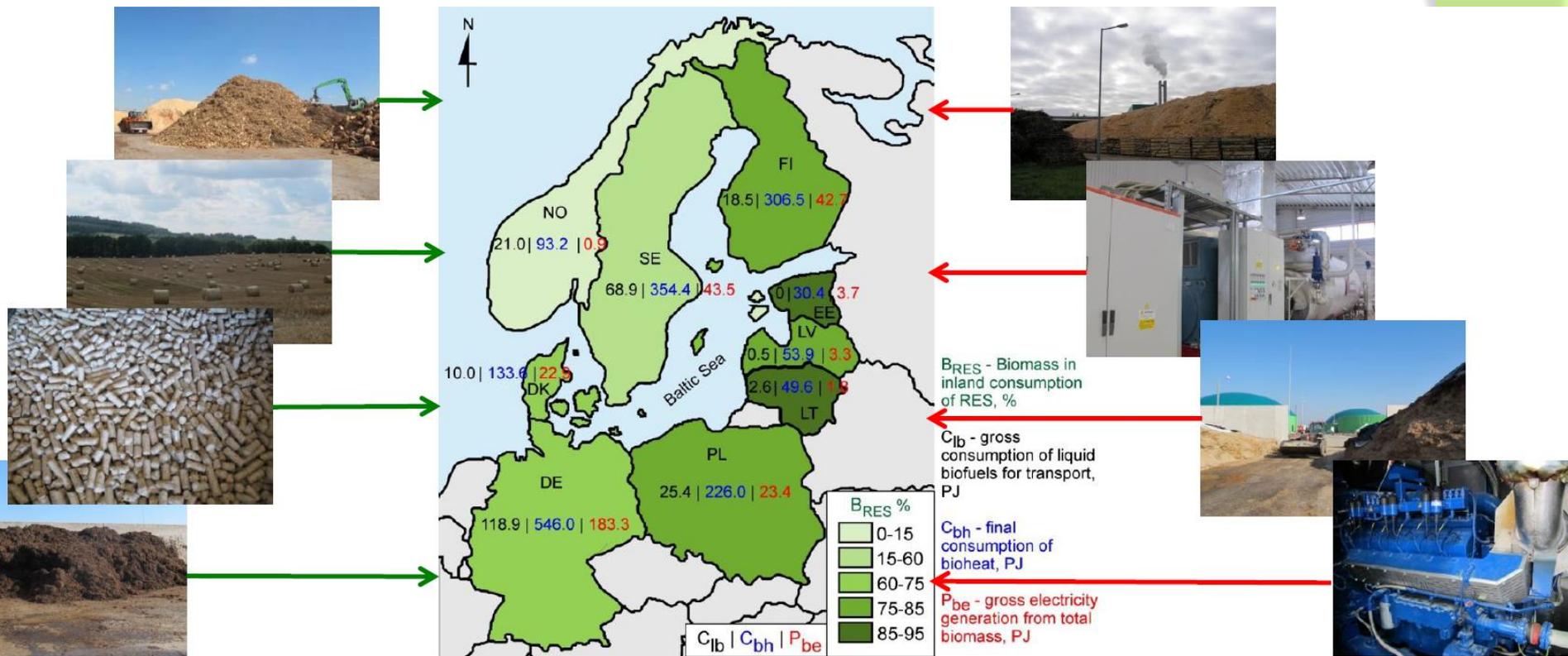
The financial flows related to operation of a briquette-fired boiler compared to the other fuels during the 12 heating seasons

(Stolarski et al. 2020. Energy. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.energy.2020.117952>)



Characterisation and assessment of biomass and other RES usability on an individual, local, regional, national and international level

Bioenergy technologies and biomass potential vary in northern European countries



(Stolarski et al. 2020. Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.rser.2020.110238>)

Bioconversion of various types of biomass residues by insects

UWM - VALUE CHAIN BASED ON INSECT REARING

Substrates for insect rearing based on by-products and residues

Dry residues :

- cereal brans
- cakes and meals from oil extraction
- 2nd grade seeds from seed cleaning

Wet residues :

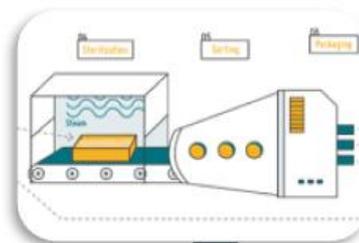
- industrial grade vegetables and fruits
- pomace
- expired food



Insect rearing



Insect processing



Products

Insect meal
Insect oil
Insect protein
Chitosan **Fertiliser**

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