

Marmont alley



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The research question

- Marmontova aleja is a plane tree alley near the Dubovac primary school
- Planted from 1809. to 1811. (Karlovac - Dubovac, Grobničko Polje i Rijeka) during the construction of the Louisiana Road (Karlovac – Rijeka)
- In Karlovac the road begins with the plane tree line, named in the honour of the Marshal Marmont (1774 - 1852) from the Napoleon Bonapartes age
- The alley is a monument of park architecture from 1968



In June 2019 the construction work had began on the national road D6 which begins with the Marmontova aleja in Karlovac and concerns the community about possible tree damage

Research questions:

What is the biological importance of Marmontova aleja for Dubovac and the City of Karlovac?

How much carbon dioxide is absorbed during the life of trees and what is the amount of carbon stored in trees?

How much oxygen does one plane tree produce in one day?

Why is it important for us to protect this tree line?





Hypotheses

- Marmontova aleja is an important biological factor in the city of Karlovac and city's district Dubovac because the plane trees have absorbed large amounts of carbon during their existence, which is especially important due to the intensive traffic and burning of fossil fuels.
- One plane tree produces significant amounts of oxygen in one day during the growing season
- The vegetation season of plane trees lasts from April to November

Research methods

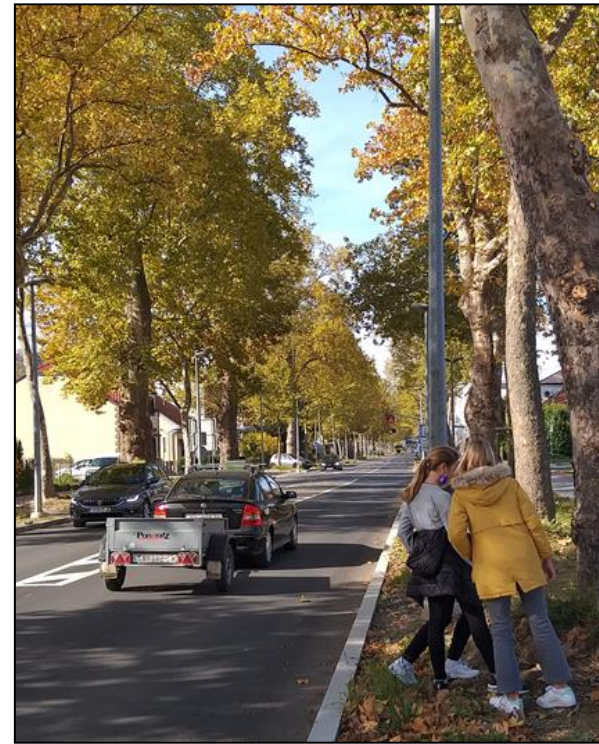
Research period: March - December 2021

The total number of trees in the alley : 102



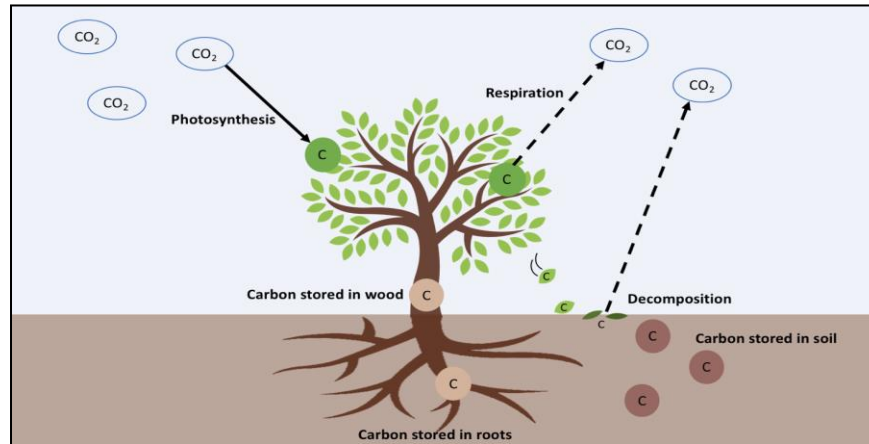
GLOBE protocols:

- biometry (for 102 plane trees)
- location determination - GLOBE observer
- tree height - GLOBE observer application
- plant species identification - the key to species identification
- circumference of wood - measuring tape technology
- observation and recording of budding and greening



Tree age = tree circumference/ 1 year growth

1 year growth of the plane tree: 2,75 cm/year



fresh mass (green weight-GW) in kg

$$GW = 0,0346 \times d^2 \times h \text{ (if the } d > 28 \text{ cm)}$$

$$\text{ili } GW = 0,0577 \times d^2 \times h \text{ (if the } d < 28 \text{ cm)}$$

dry mass (dry weight -DW) = GW/2

amount of absorbed carbon (Carbon storage) = DW/2

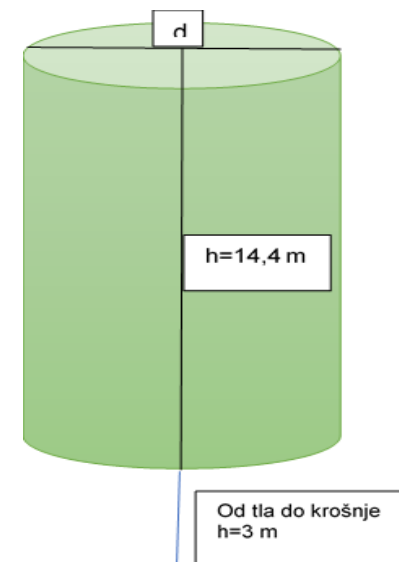
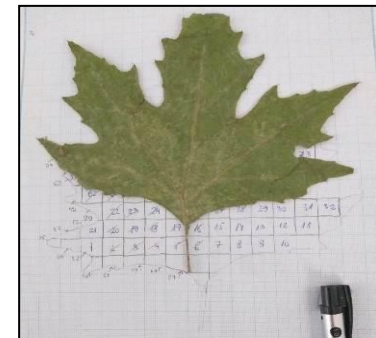
absorbed CO₂ in the lifetime of a tree = Carbon storage * 3,67

because $Mr(\text{CO}_2) / Ar(\text{C}) = 3,67$

chest diameter of a tree in cm = tree circumference / π

The amount of oxygen produced on one plane tree of average size

- determining the number of leaves in 1 dm^3
- determining the leaf area
- 1 cm^2 of tree leaves produces 0.05 ml of oxygen in 1 hour at ideal temperature and pressure with optimal humidity
- Calculation of the volume of oxygen produced in 1 dm^3
- calculating the tree canopy volume of the average plane tree
- calculating the volume of oxygen produced for one tree in one day



RESULTS

Measured for 102 plane trees : tree height and range
Measured for 102 plane tree: age, GW, DW, C, chest diameter, absorbed CO₂

tree/codak	year/m	age/y	height/m	chest/cm	green weight/kg	dry weight/kg	carbon stock/kg	absorbed CO ₂ /kg	range season 1.12.2021	green points/cm
51	25,3	422	157	156,95	82,84	41,42	31	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	137,8094708
52	25,5	365	132	119,183	59,60,81	29,90,46	10,93,27	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	116,1831008
53	17,91	127	46	103,372	50,6,66	2,53,43	890,09	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	40,4333555
54	18,1	105	38	70,0,28	3,90,14	1,75,07	642,51	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	33,42253805
55	20,2	155	56	183,773	90,8,66	4,44,43	16,67,71	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	49,33832306
56	20,2	118	43	98,7,03	49,5,52	2,46,76	905,61	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	37,56066657
57	16,1	101	36,7	57,3,95	2,88,17	1,44,09	528,8	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	32,14929085
58	16,4	91	33	48,3,66	2,41,78	1,20,89	452,67	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	28,96419964
59	24	347	126	10119,39	50,6,7	2,53,4,45	9302,89	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	110,4335305
60	18,8	108	30,8	711,1,97	3,95,39	1,77,29	652,39	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	34,3747771
61	18,67	104	37,8	708,64	3,54,32	1,77,16	650,17	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	33,10422816
62	17,62	355	129	779,3,02	38,94,251	19,41,125	714,9,62	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	113,20000096
63	16	78	28,3	56,8,64	1,42,41	0,72,46	322,46	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	24,821817112
64	30,95	115	43,8	508,185	254,0,93	127,05	466,2,4	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	36,40563691
65	10,44	144	52,3	759,671	79,9,82	1,89,32	697,006	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	45,03862661
66	21,99	54	19,6	770,5,78	38,52,89	19,2,4,45	707,0,5	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	17,18873385
67	22,51	170	63,8	232,1,47	116,1,74	5,80,27	212,7,9	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	54,11260005
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69	17,2	173	62,9	130,6,5	9,02,25	4,51,2,25	16,7,46	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	55,06716031
70	17,94	108	39,2	734,2,22	367,1,61	1,83,36	673,74	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	34,37746771
72	15,34	279	101,5	4190,352	20,9,176	10,47,59	3844,65	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	88,80484825
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148	25,3	314	114	873,9	43,86,45	21,48,32	7884,33	15,022	posjeden - nova mladica	99,34902046
149	17,83	166	60,4	172,4,43	86,2,215	43,1,107	1582,16	15,022</		

Average tree height: 17,48 meters
Average tree age: 67,23 years



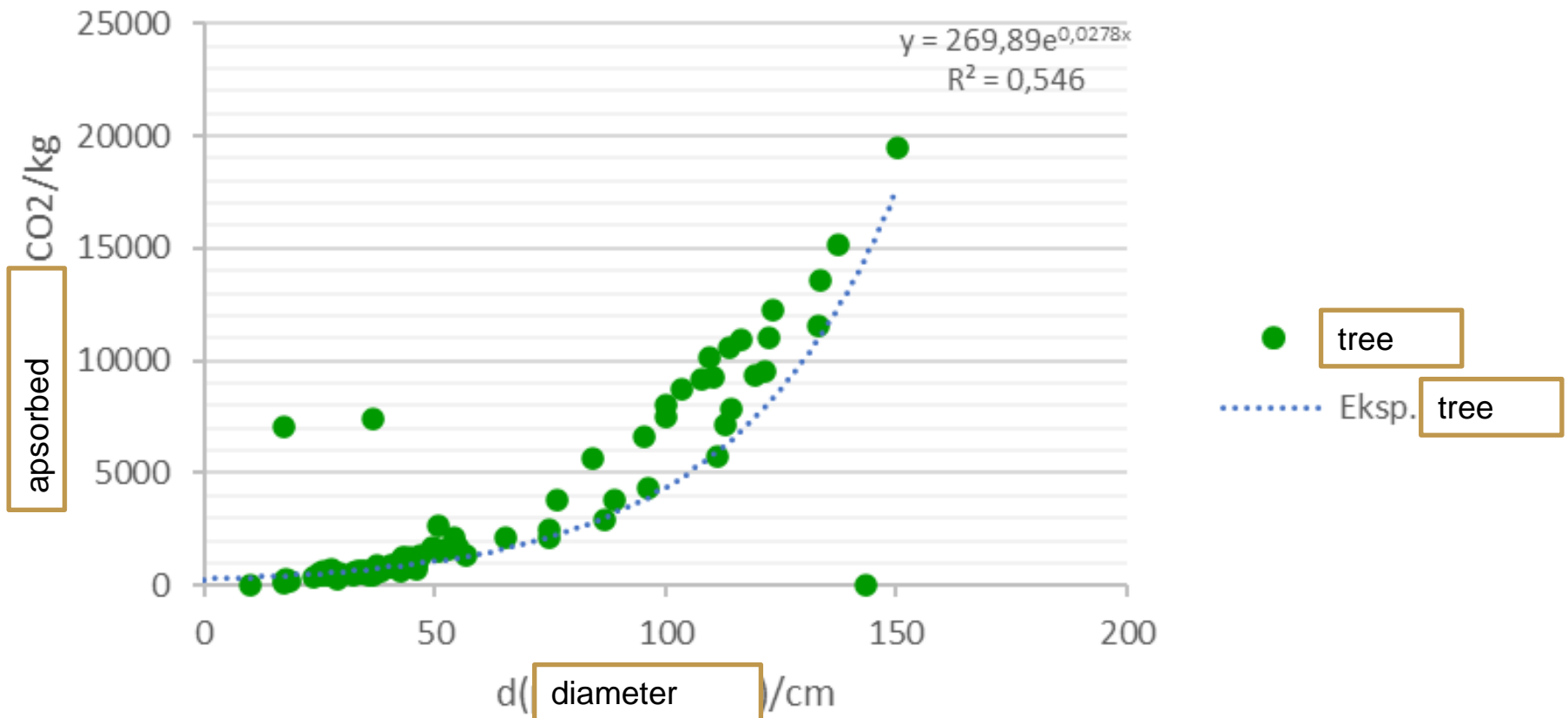
Total mass of a living tree(GW)= 333132 kg
Total dry mass (DW)= 256565 kg
Total mass of stored carbon= 85097 kg
Total mass of stored CO₂= 297589 kg

Comparison of three trees of different ages and sizes with the amount of GW, DW, stored carbon and absorbed CO₂

Mark of tree	Age of tree/Ye ars	circumf erence/ cm	dimet er/ cm	Tree height/ m	GW(green weight)/kg	DW (dry weight) /kg	Carbon storage/ kg	Apsorbed CO ₂ /kg
S11	37,8	104	33,1	18,67	708,64	354,32	177,16	650,18
S17	61,8	170	54,11	22,91	2323,48	1161,74	580,87	2131,8
S57	152,7	420	133,7	23,92	14807,32	7403,66	3701,83	13585

Amount of stored CO₂ for all plane trees in the street (102)

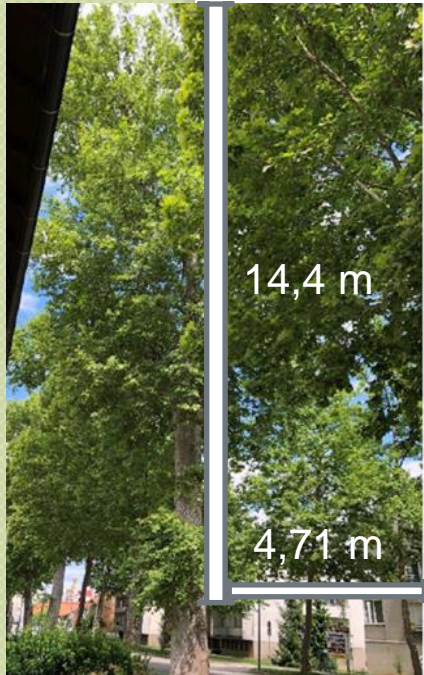
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Amount of produced O₂ for one plane tree of average height



- Number of leaves in 1 dm³ = 2
- Total leaf surface of 2 leaves = 160 cm²
- **Total volume of O₂ in 1 dm³ =**
160 cm² x 0,05 ml/1 h = 8 ml O₂/1 h

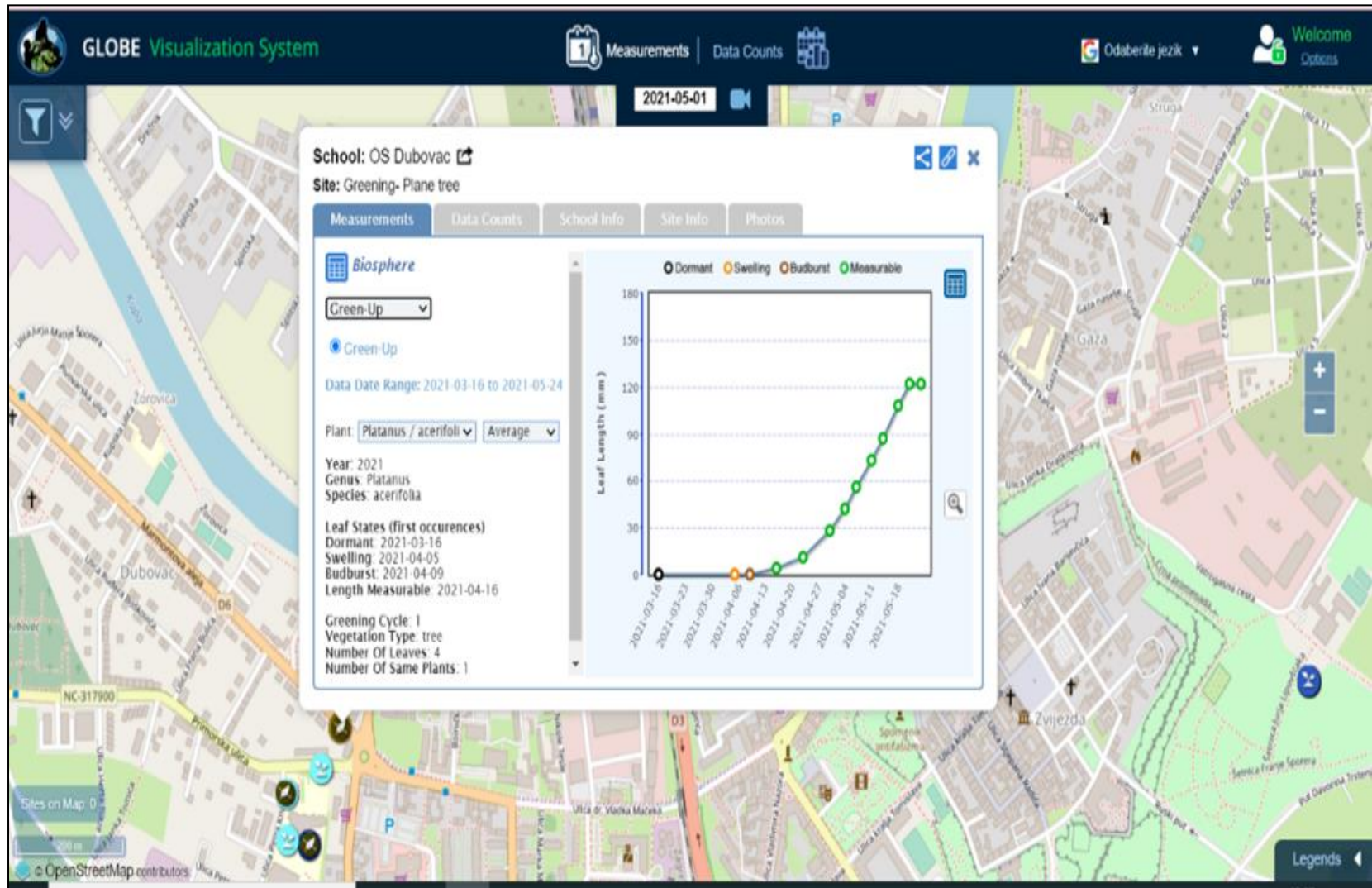


- Volume of the tree canopy: $r^2\pi * h$
(4,71m)² * 3,14 * 14,4 m = 1003,07 m³ = 1003070 dm³
- **Volume of produced O₂ in the tree canopy in 1 hour:**
1003070 dm³ * 8 ml = 8024560 ml u 1 h =
8024,56 L u 1 h

- **Volume of produced O₂ in a tree canopy in 1 day:**
- 8024,56 L * 8 h = 64196,2 L

r (canopy): sources

Vegetation period on the observed plane tree





2021-05-01

School: OS Dubovac

Site: Greening- Plane tree

Measurements

Data Counts

School Info

Site Info

Photos

Biosphere

Green-Down ▾

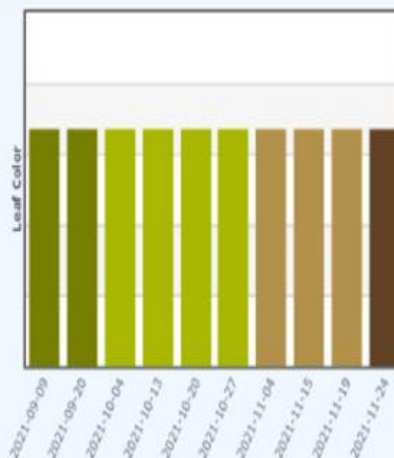
Green Down

Data Date Range: 2021-09-09 to 2021-12-01

Plant: Platanus / acerifoli ▾ Predomina ▾

Measured On: 2021-09-09
Greening Cycle Number: 1
Leaf Color List: 5GY 5/10 5GY 5/10
5GY 5/10 5GY 5/10
Number Of Leaves: 4
Leaf State: color change
Predominate Leaf Color: 5GY 5/10
Number Of Same Plants: 1

Measured On: 2021-09-20
Greening Cycle Number: 1
Leaf Color List: 5GY 5/10 5GY 5/10
5GY 5/10 5GY 5/10
Number Of Leaves: 4



Sites on Map: 0

200 m

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Legends

Conclusions

The hypothesis about the biological importance of the Marmontova aleja of the city Karlovac and the city's district Dubovac was confirmed by the results of the research.

- plane trees have absorbed more than 200 tons of CO₂ during their existence
- they contain more than 80 t of stored carbon thus removing that amount of carbon from the atmosphere.
- the tree-lined avenue contributes to the reduction of the greenhouse effect, especially when CO₂ absorption occurs at the site of its intensive formation
- if ideal conditions lasted 8 hours a day, one tree of average size could produce approximately more than 60,000 L of oxygen
- the vegetation period lasts from April to November

Analysis

It was not possible to use the GLOBE - TREE age calculator to calculate the age of the plane tree because there was no option to calculate the age and amount of carbon stored in the plane trees.

It is not possible to accurately calculate the amount of oxygen produced in one hour or day because photosynthesis depends on many factors, temperature, humidity, and light intensity which can change within one day or hour.

It is not possible to accurately calculate the amount of oxygen produced per cm^2 because the values change between each plane tree.

The following studies should measure atmospheric factors (cloud, temperature, humidity) in order to calculate the approximate amount of oxygen in ideal conditions during the growing season from April to November.

Appreciations

- to the local community, which invited the students to present the project to the residents
- to the public institution Natura Viva from Karlovac for the promotion of the project in the city of Karlovac, Croatia
- to Brian Campbell for the invitation to present the research project at the „Trees around the GLOBE” webinar, on December 8th 2022.



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