**S5 Table. Aboveground and belowground dry plant biomass (mg) of beech seedlings for the three harvest dates.**

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|  |  | **June** | **August** | **September** |
| **Aboveground** | NW | 2325±134 | 2590±155 | 1919±93 |
|  | SW | 2031±106 | 2065±90 | 1762±98 |
| **Belowground** | NW | 1893±98 | 2421±155 | 2789±126 |
|  | SW | 1546±7 | 1576±60 | 1955±96 |

n=48 (June and August); n=24 (September). Significantly larger biomass at NW compared to SW tested for single harvest dates is indicated by dark blue colour.