

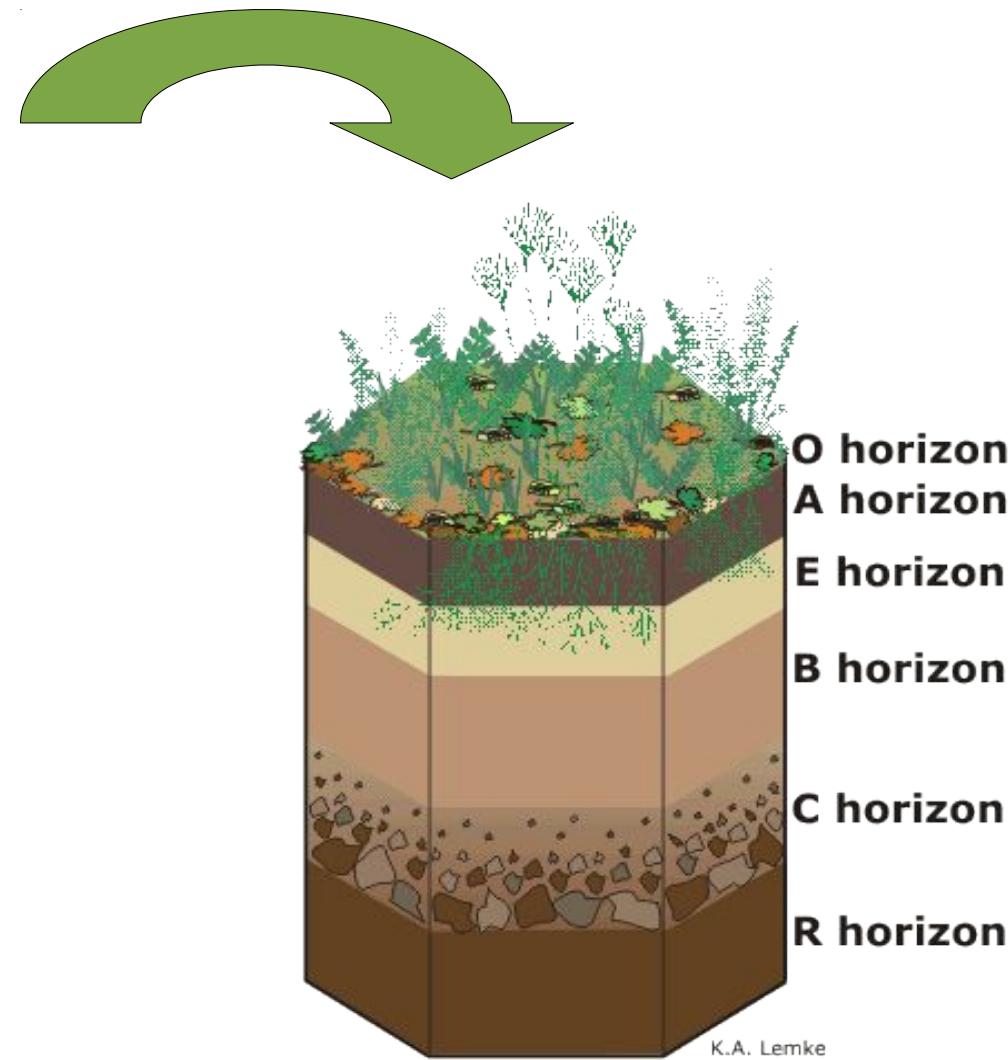
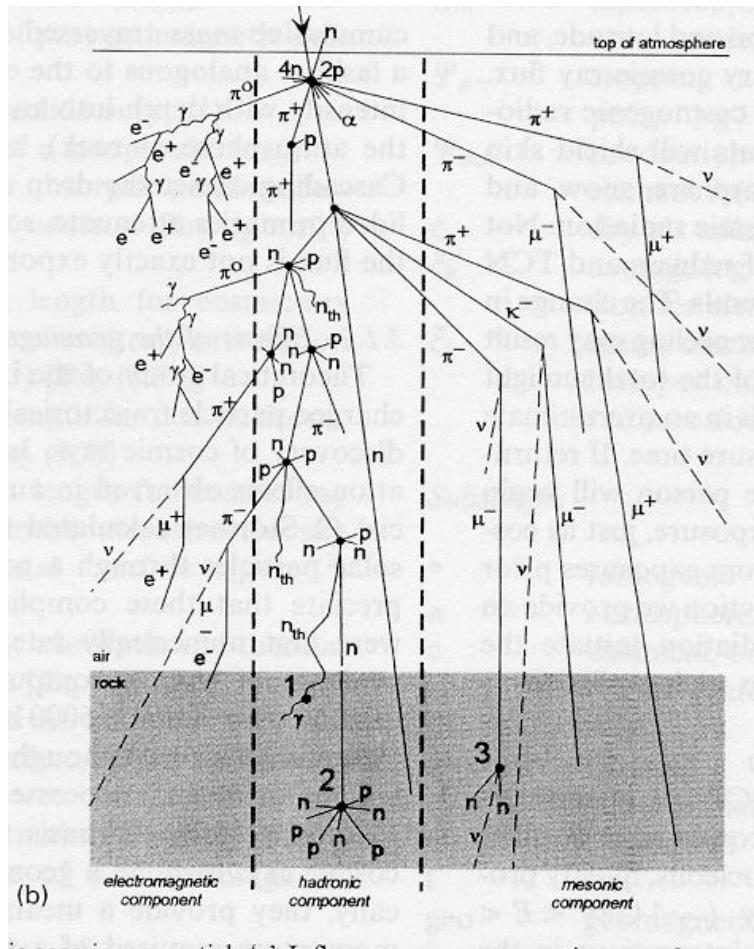
Do Fungi Transport ^{10}Be During Wood Degradation?

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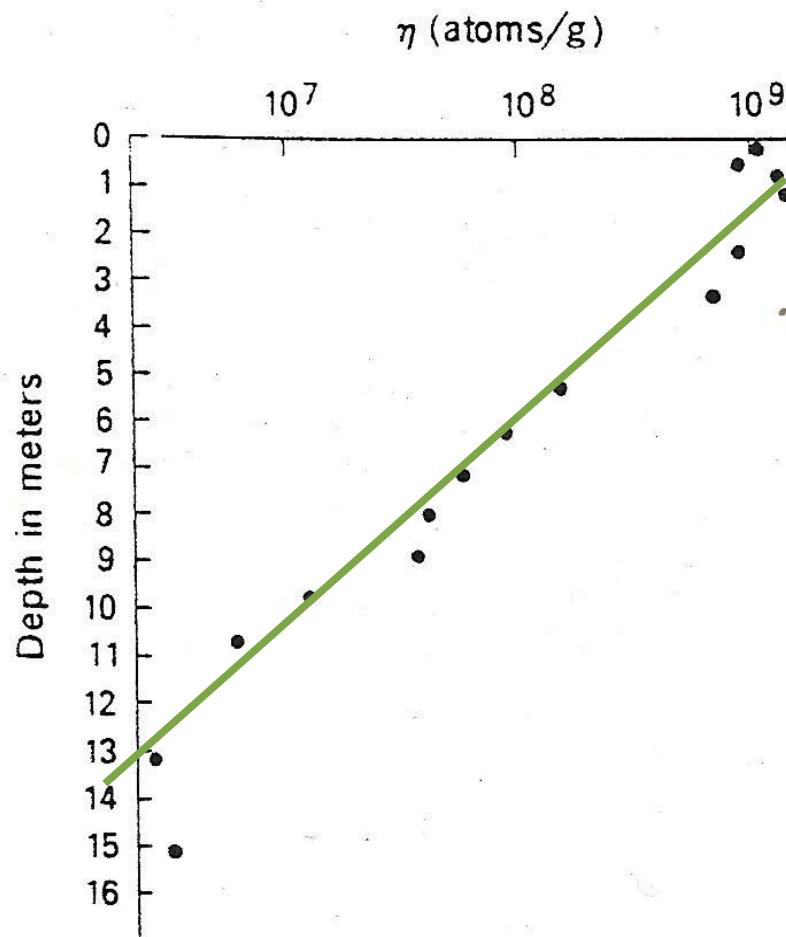
Forecast

- (1) The role of meteoric ^{10}Be in soil erosion
- (2) [^{10}Be] in decayed organic materials & the questions it raises.

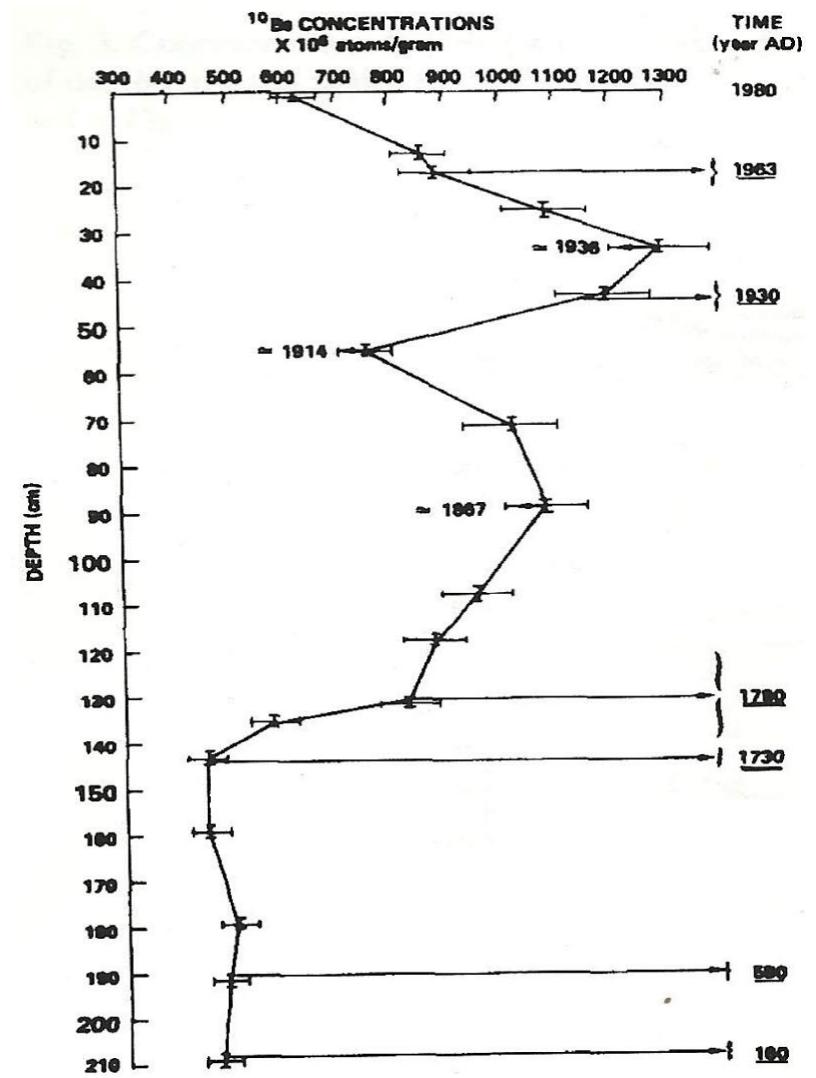
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From Pavich, 1985



From Valette-Silver (1986)

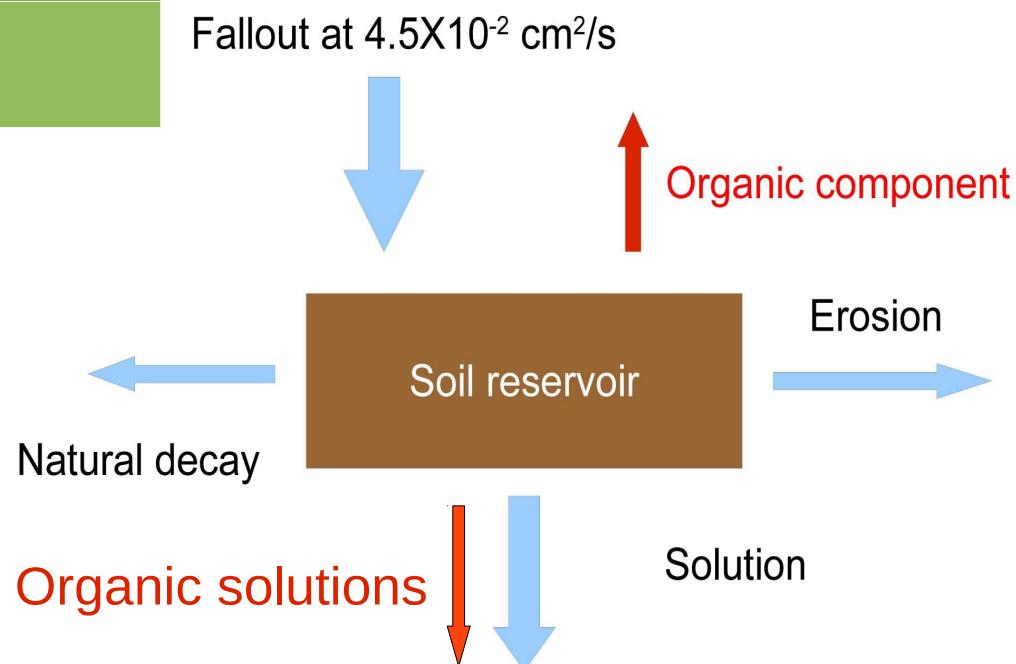
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Substance

^{10}Be

Rain	2×10^4
Soils	$2 \times 10^7 - 2 \times 10^9$
Hardwood	5×10^6
Organics in sediment	2×10^{10}

Reproduced from Brown 1984



Samples & Methods



G. tsugae on hemlock

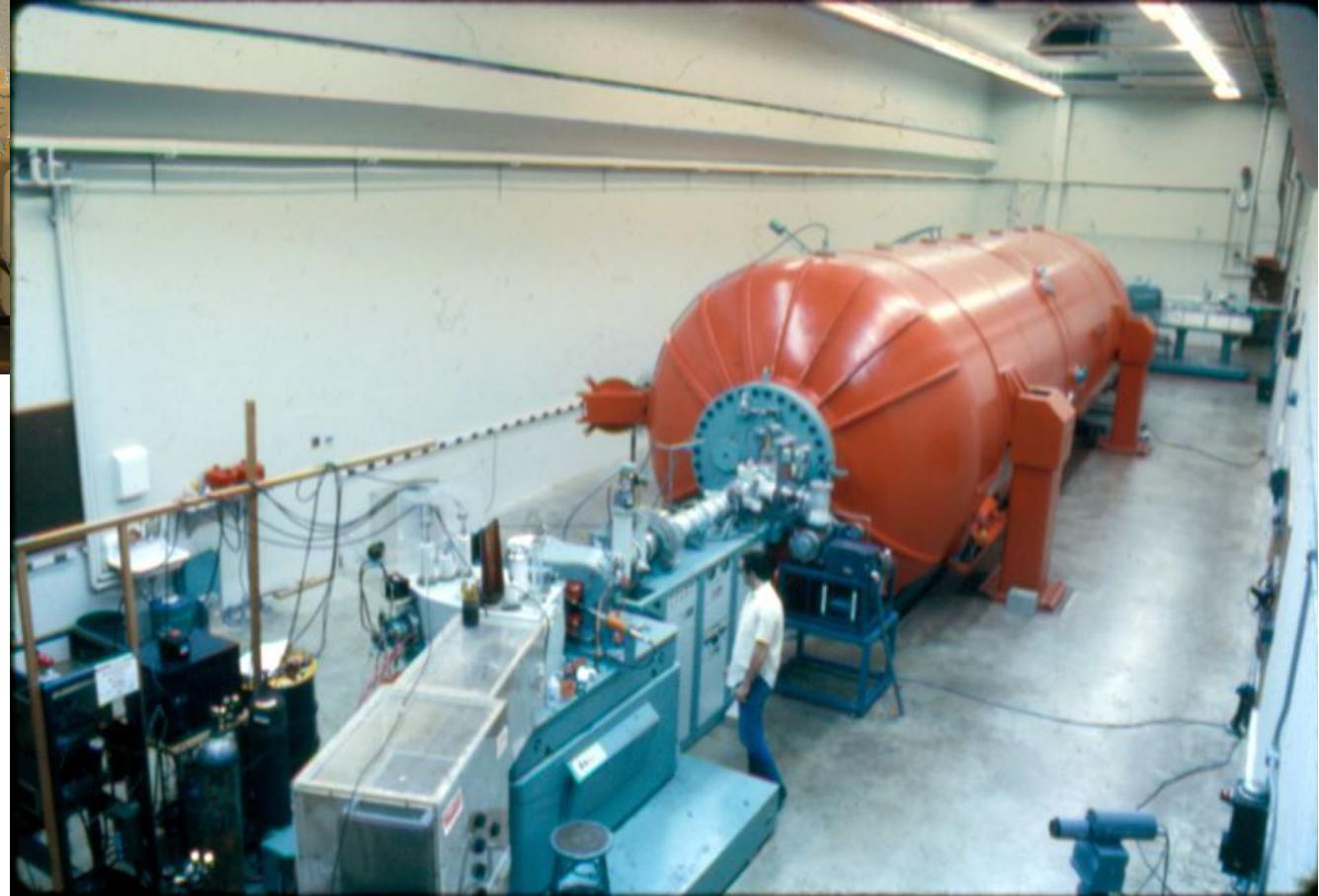


Acorn

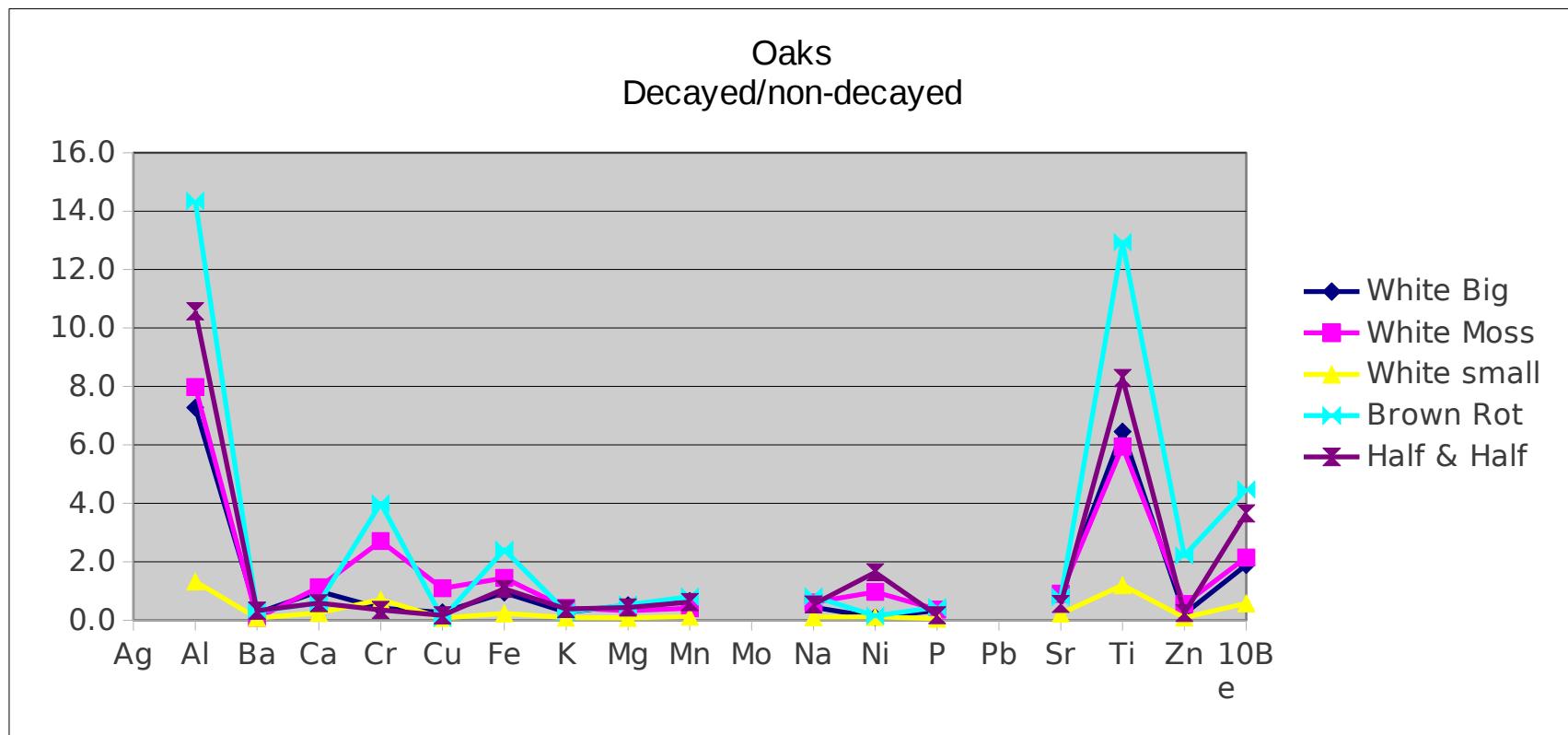


Hickory nuts

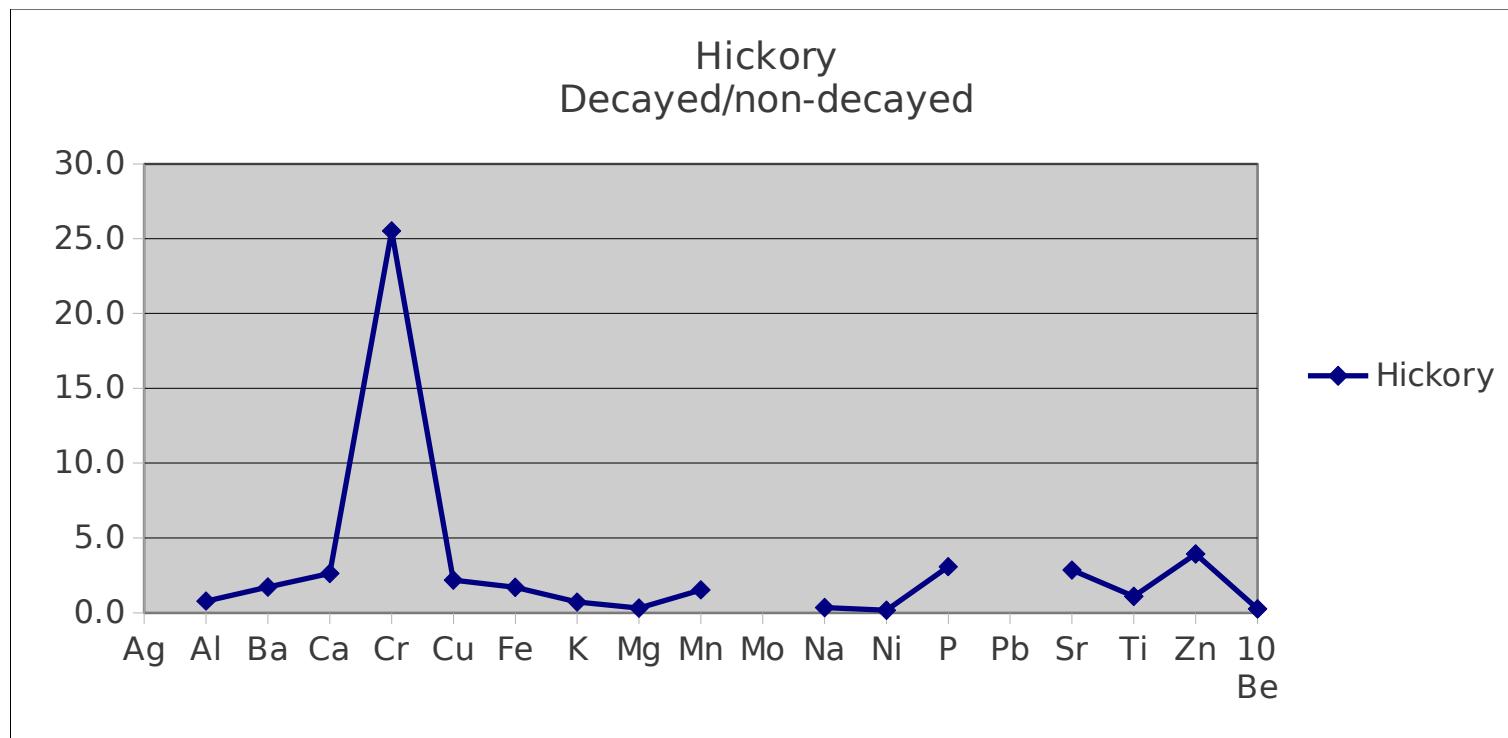
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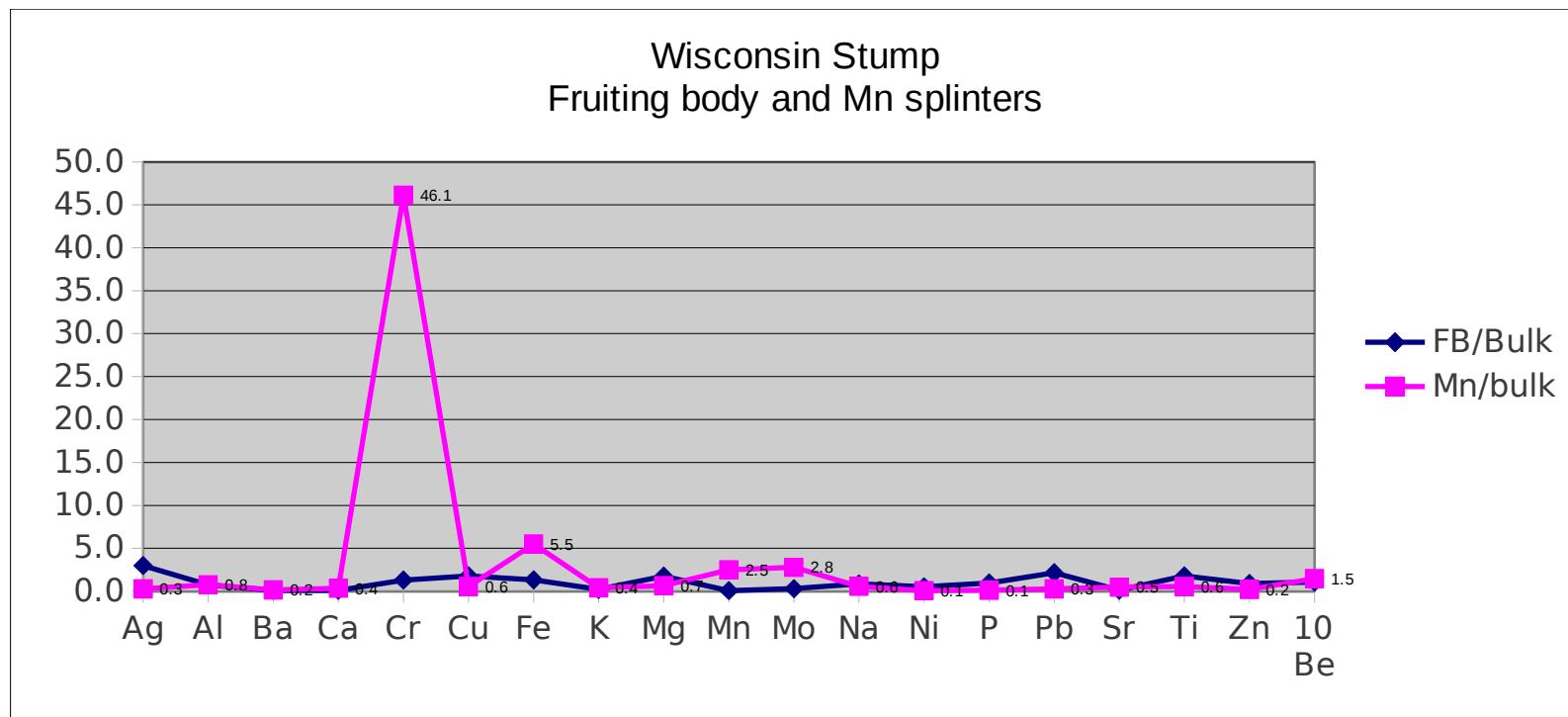
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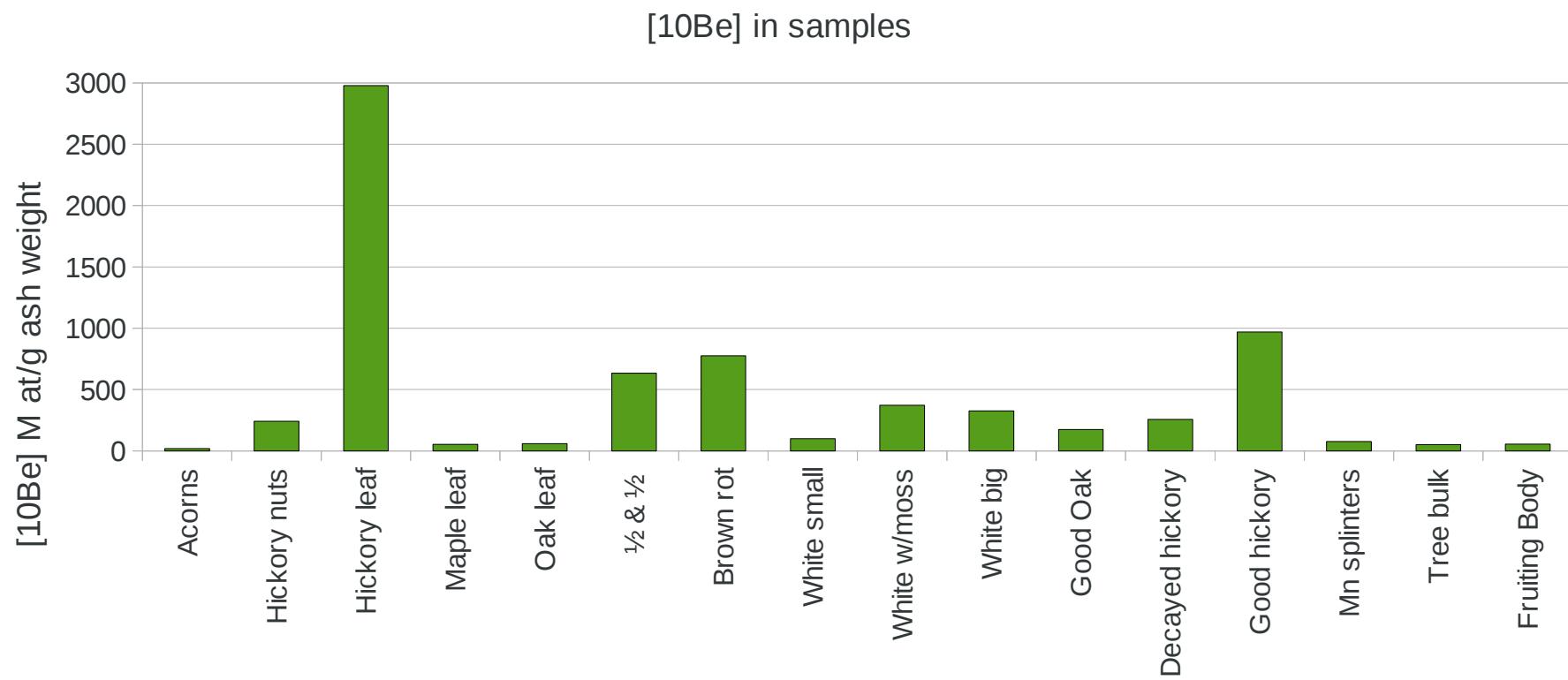
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Summary

There is probably something going on with the fungus, but there is not enough change to say that fungus is a major transporter.

There is something going on with hickory, but we aren't sure what makes this tree different from the others.

Future Work

