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# Úspěšnost experimentálních výsevů sekvojovce obrovského

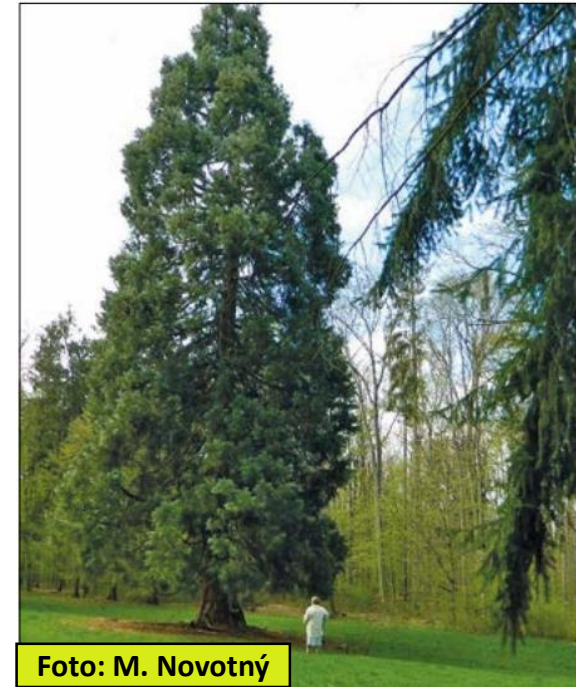
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## Školkařský experiment – vzcházení, přežívání

### Sekvojovec obrovský

- **malý areál** (Sierra Nevada, CA)
- **světломilný**
- **lehké, hluboké, vlhké půdy**
- Inhibiční **červený pigment** (longevita semen)
- **šišky dozrávají 2. rok** (na stromě **více let**,  $\frac{2}{3}$  zelené serotinní i 20–30 let)
- strom **ročně** uvolní 300–400 tis. semen
- **osivo z ČR** klíčivost **do 30 %** (PILÁT 1964)
- šišky z Ratměřic **1,8 %** (PRKNOVÁ 2018)



## Contribution to seed ecology of *Sequoiadendron giganteum* (Lindl.) Buchholz growing in the Central European conditions

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### Abstract

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The properties of Giant Sequoia (*Sequoiadendron giganteum* (Lindley) B.S.P.) cultivated in the second gene strain in the Czech Republic were examined. The germination level was set at 1.8%. This type is a pyrophyte, but nonetheless the seeds are still lethal. The seeds were planted with the same method as in a natural fire. The seeds were planted with the same method as in a natural fire. The seeds were planted with the same method as in a natural fire.

**Keywords:** giant sequoia; germination; stratification; germination level; seed ecology

The Giant Sequoia (*Sequoiadendron giganteum* (Lindley) Buchholz) is cultivated in the Czech Republic only for decorative purposes. Due to its protected status, it is not used in commercial forestry even in the United States, but due to its large dimensions and quality of wood which is resistant to rotting, it has a huge potential for use.

The history of introduction of the Giant Sequoia into the Czech lands dates back to the end of the 19th century. In the Ratměřice municipality in Central Bohemia there are individual fertile trees which are more than 160 years old (NĚMEC, KYZLÍK 2003). However, the geographic latitude and climate of our territory differ greatly from the species natural range in California (THOMAS et al. 2016). The individual tree cultivated already for 64 years in Kostelec nad Černými lesy, at the arboretum of the Faculty of Forestry and Wood Sciences, Prague – Trávníček, is a valuable specimen.

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## The effect of the *Sequoiadendron giganteum* (Lindl.) Buchholz cone crystals on germination

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**Abstract:** The cones of the giant sequoia contain red, water-soluble crystalline substances known as cone crystals. The inhibitory effect of this extracted material on Norway spruce, Scots pine and European larch germination was newly examined. Sown seed representative samples without and with added cone crystals were compared after their incubation in the same appropriate conditions. All these cases have brought compelling evidence that cone crystals totally inhibit germination. However, the chemically inhibited seeds being rinsed afterwards germinated very well. This switch effect caused by the cone crystals of the three above-mentioned conifers proved to be a nonspecific tool. Seeds of the giant sequoia, naturally affected by the cone crystals, were sown as rinsed and non-rinsed samples. Both the samples, grown on a wet peat substrate in appropriate conditions for 16 weeks, exhibited an equal, yet very low viability of 1.3% at the same time. This low number, fixed in seeds of the tree being far from the ecological optimum, does not allow any dispute with other authors.

**Keywords:** cone pigment; giant sequoia; inhibitory effect; tannin

The giant sequoia [*Sequoiadendron giganteum* (Lindl.) Buchholz] grows naturally in the Sierra Nevada Mountains of California. It was discovered in 1841 and introduced into Europe in 1853 (PILÁT 1964). The two oldest trees of this species in the Czech Republic occur in the castle park in Ratměřice, they were planted around the year 1879 (POSPÍŠIL 2017). The giant sequoia is cultivated only for decorative purposes in the Czech Republic. However, due to its large dimensions and high-quality wood, it has a great potential for commercial use. This article is aimed at enhancing the knowledge of the life strategy and ecology of this species.

The giant sequoia's cones are ovoid in shape and the average length is 5.08–8.89 cm while the average diameter is 3.81–5.72 cm. One cone produces about 200 seeds (HARTESVELDT et al. 1975). The cone size and the number of seeds in one cone are highly variable (BEIDLEMAN 1950). The cones are

not shed when the seeds are ripe. They may remain attached to the tree for many years, to be shed gradually at some later time, many of them through an external action such as wind, snow, the intervention of squirrels or beetles etc. All such cones remain green, and the tissues in the cone scales remain alive. Throughout this period, the seeds may be retained; in several cones that were more than twenty years old, a good quantity of seeds was still obtainable. As soon as the cones become detached, they dry out, and the seeds are freed within a few days (BUCHHOLZ 1938). The age of sequoia cones can be determined in a similar way like the age of a tree's trunk, i.e. by counting the annual growth rings in the cone peduncle or the stem (BUCHHOLZ 1938; HARTESVELDT et al. 1975).

During the process of the seed extraction, a red, water-soluble crystalline substance falls out of the cones. BEIDLEMAN (1950) reported that the seeds

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## KATALOG TAXONŮ INTRODUKOVANÝCH DŘEVIN S POTENCIÁLEM LESNICKÉHO VYUŽITÍ NA STANOVIŠTÍCH S NIŽŠÍ DOSTUPNOSTÍ VLÁHY

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Foto 12a–f: Sekvojovec obrovský – Arboretum FLD Kostelec nad Černými lesy. (a) habitus, (b) detail větvě s mladými šiškami a samčím šištice (H. Prknová, 8. 9. 2017 a 21. 5. 2016); Šlechtitelská stanice Tráuba, (c) semenáčky, (d) sazenice (H. Prknová, 11. 7. 2016 a 18. 10. 2020); Praha, Kunratický les, (e) báze kmene, (f) habitus (M. Novotný, 27. 4. 2022)

## ČR – Arboretum FLD Kostelec nad Černými lesy (28. březen)

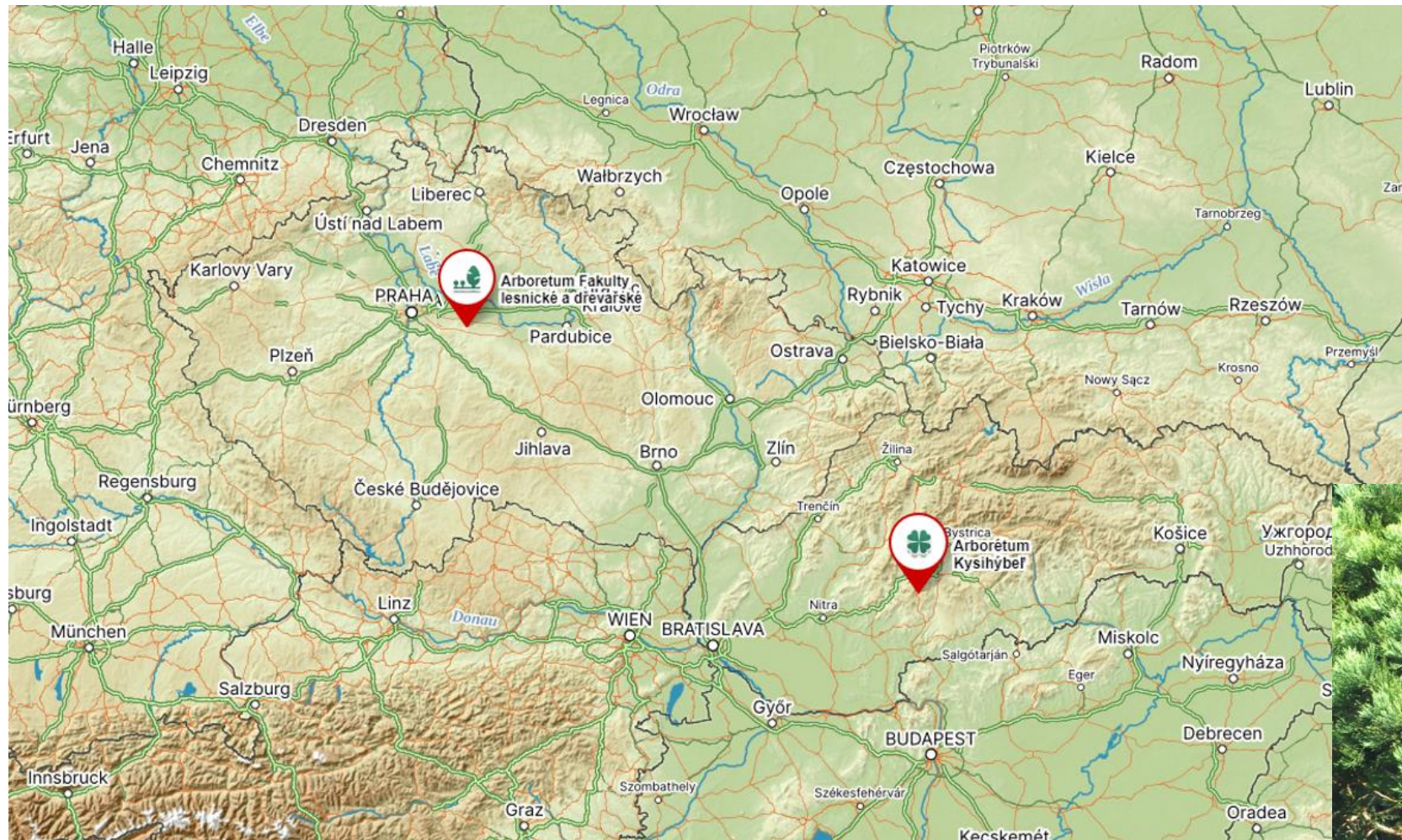


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Slovensko – Arborétum Kysihýbeľ (1. duben)

## Typy šišek:

1. „**mladé**“ (špičky větví, nejnovější 2leté)
2. „**staré**“ (uvnitř koruny, starší část větví)

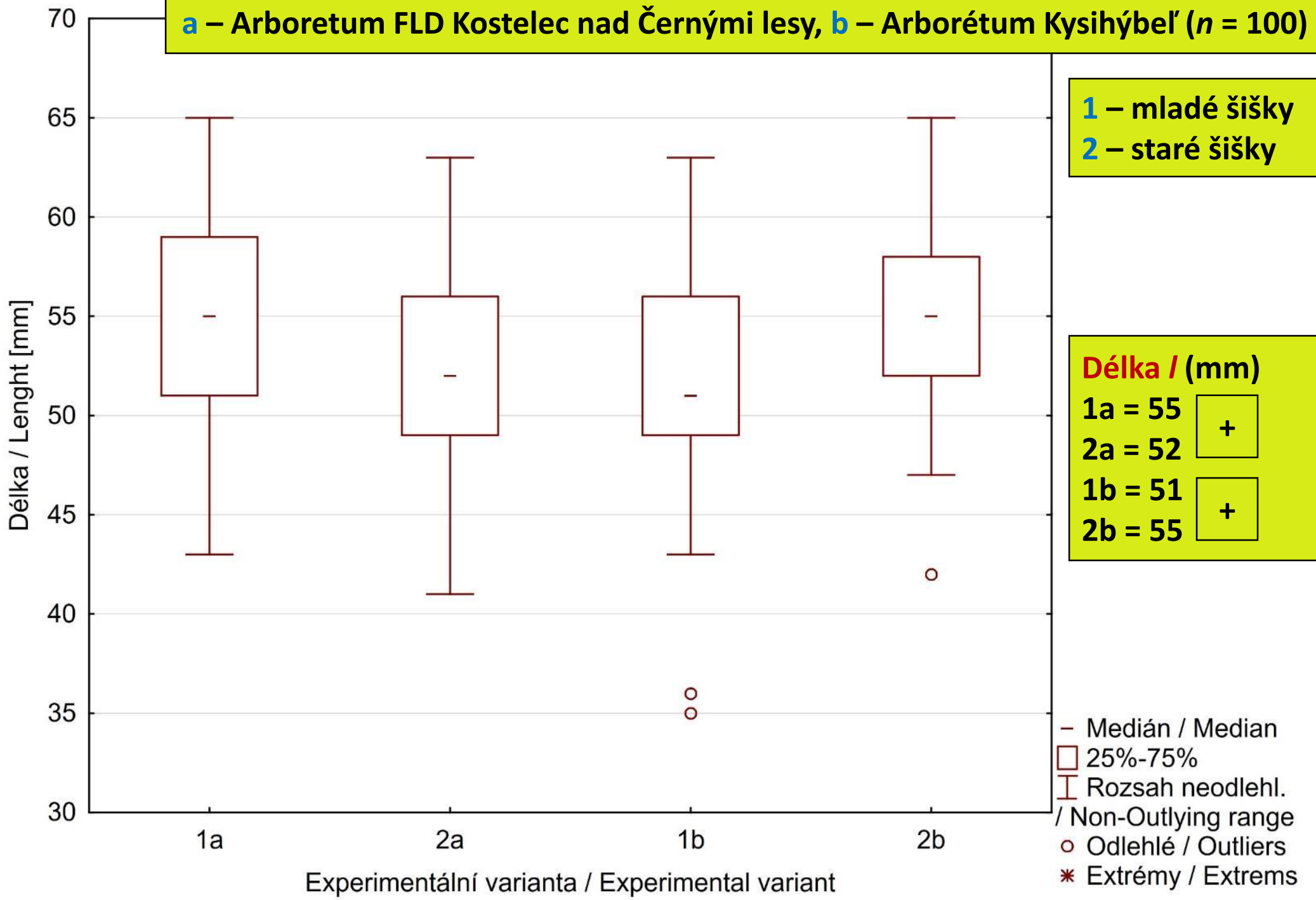


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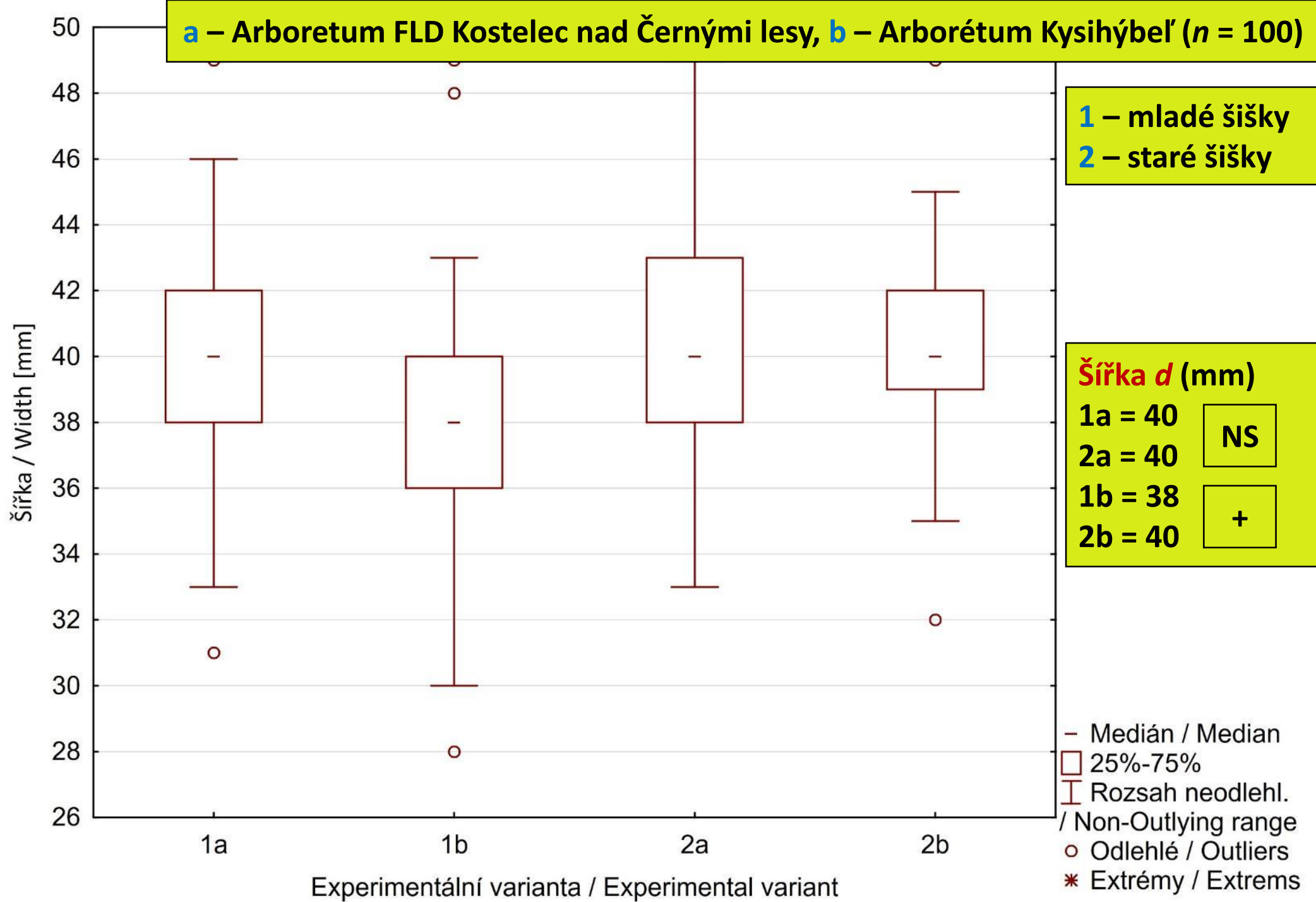


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**a** – Arboretum FLD Kostelec nad Černými lesy, **b** – Arboretum Kysihýbeľ (n = 100)



**a – Arboretum FLD Kostelec nad Černými lesy, b – Arboretum Kysihýbeľ (n = 100)**



## Zjištěná hmotnost semen

Zdroj (arboretum)/ Source (arboretum)	Šišky/Cones	Hmotnost 1000 semen/ Weight of 1,000 seeds (g)	Hmotnost 13 000 semen/ Weight of 13,000 seeds (g)
Kostelec nad Černými lesy (CZ)	mladé/young	3,8	49,4
	staré/old	3,3	43,1
	mix	3,3	42,6
<u>Kysihýbeľ</u> (SK)	mladé/young	2,8	35,9
	staré/old	3,1	40,8
	mix	3,2	41,2



**Varianty s odděleným osivem z mladých a starých šišek:**

**1a, 1b – osivo z mladých šišek/ seed from young cones**

- ošetření fungicidy (Previcur, Topsin)

**2a, 2b – osivo ze starších šišek/ seed from older cones**

- ošetření fungicidy (Previcur, Topsin)

**Varianty s mixem semen z mladých i starých šišek:**

**3a, 3b – kontrola/ control**

- semena důkladně promyta a zbavena červeného barviva

- ošetření fungicidy (Previcur, Topsin)

**4a, 4b – obohaceno mykorhizními houbami/ enriched with mycorrhizal fungi**

**5a, 5b – obohaceno o bakterie/ enriched with bacteria**

**6a, 6b – přelito vodou 80 °C (vyšší teplota)**

- ošetření fungicidy (Previcur, Topsin)

**7a, 7b – obohaceno o červené barvivo ze šišek/ enriched with red dye from cones**

**8a, 8b – obohaceno o popel/ enriched with ash**



Standardní základ **všech variant** = 3 kontrola (rašelina + křemičitý písek 3 : 1)



Připravené výsevové **varianty**

Varianta 8 – příměs popelu



Přísada pro variantu 7 –  
příměs čerevného barviva  
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**Překrytí všech variant  
výsevů 5 mm křemičitého  
písku**

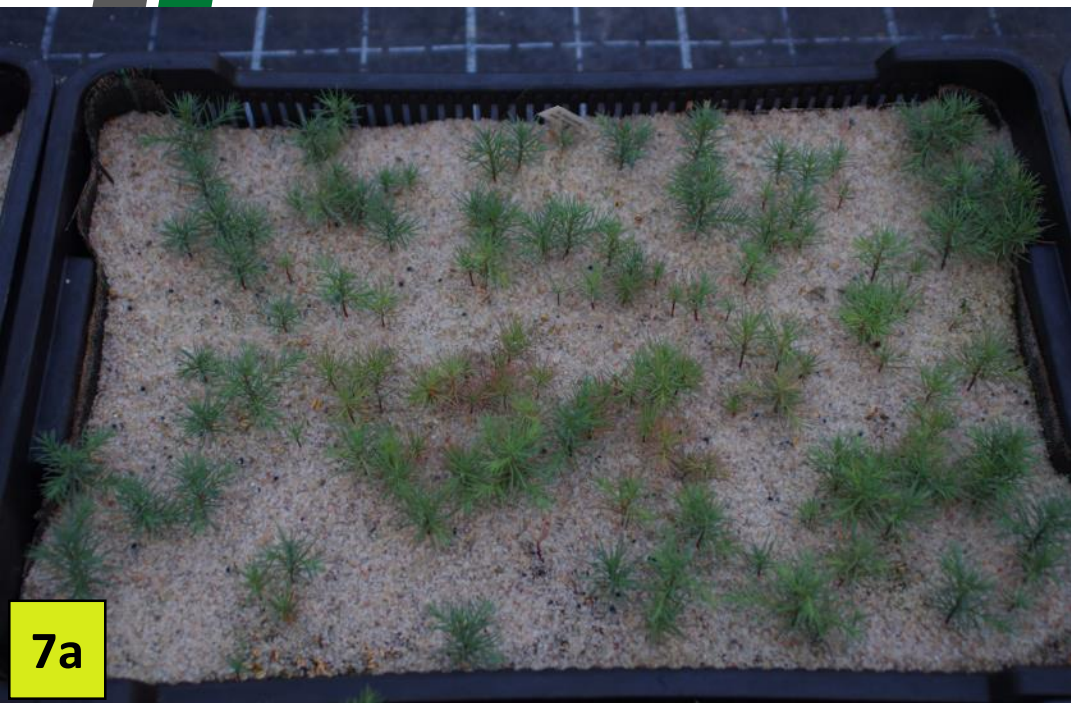




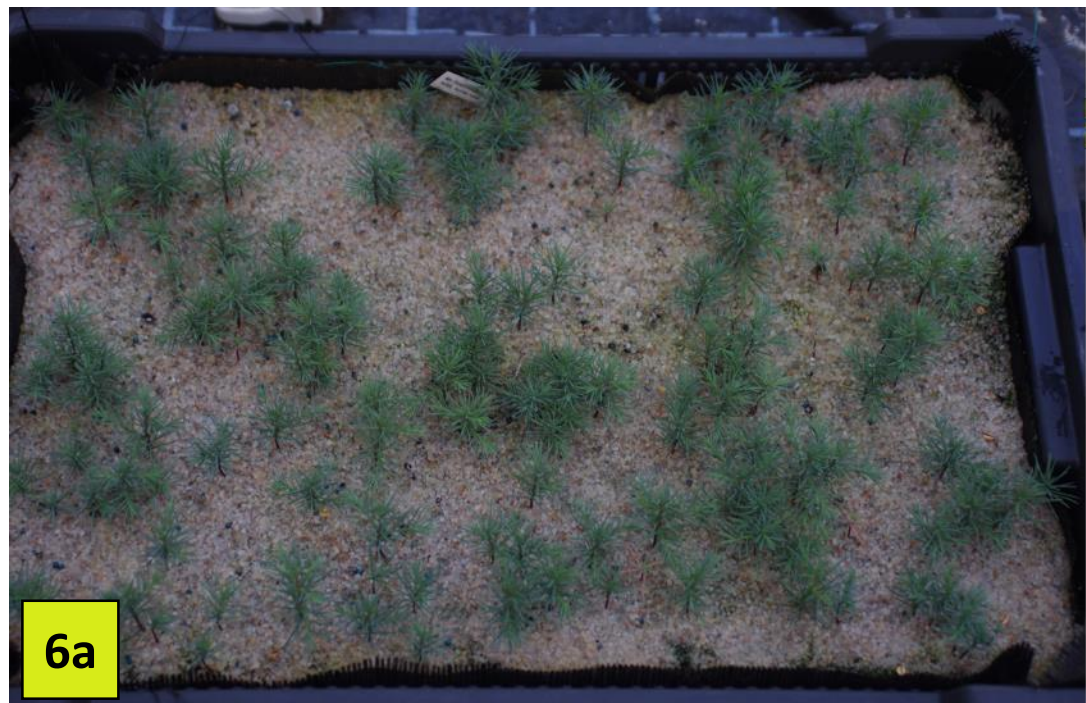
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5a

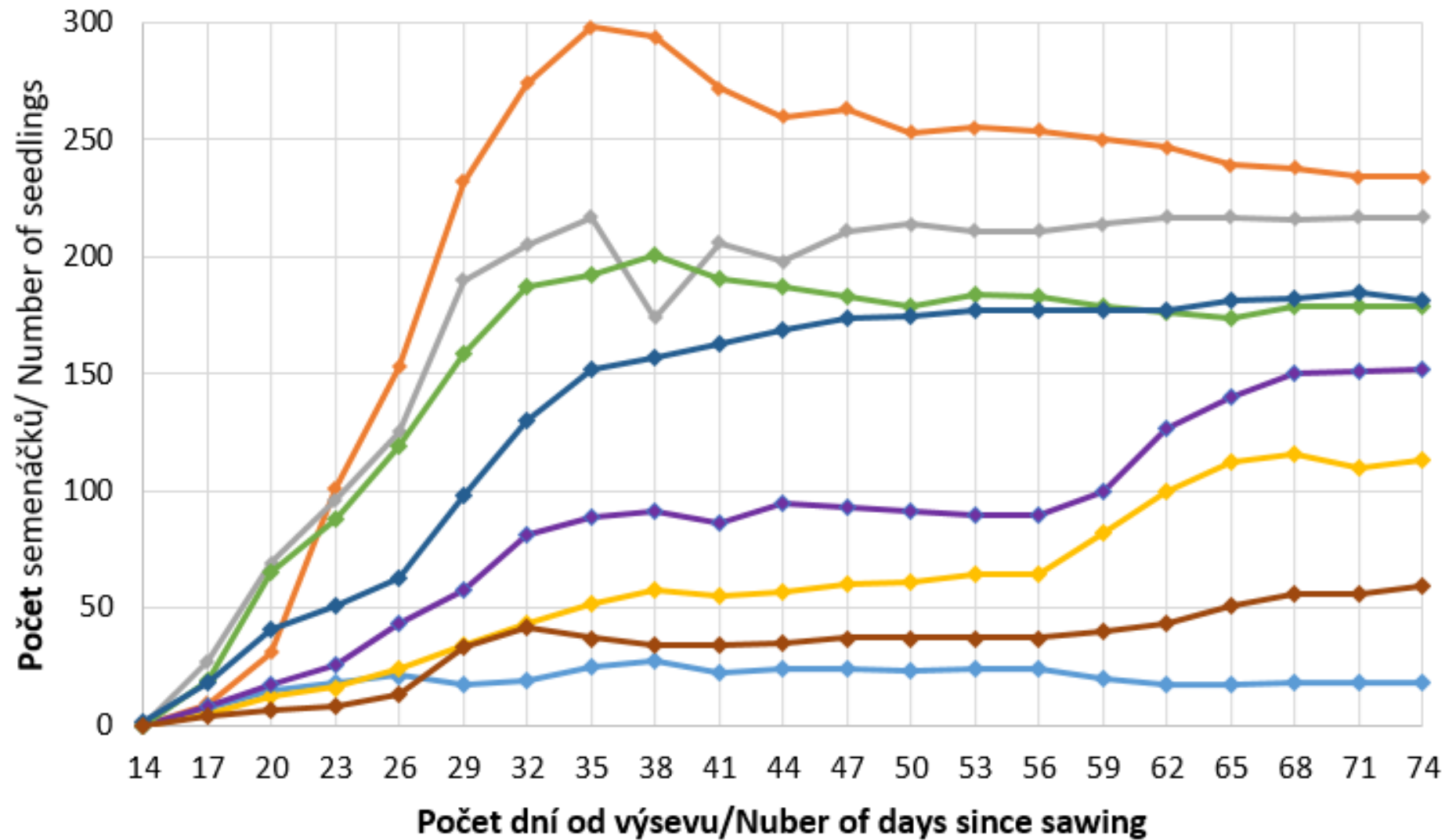


7a

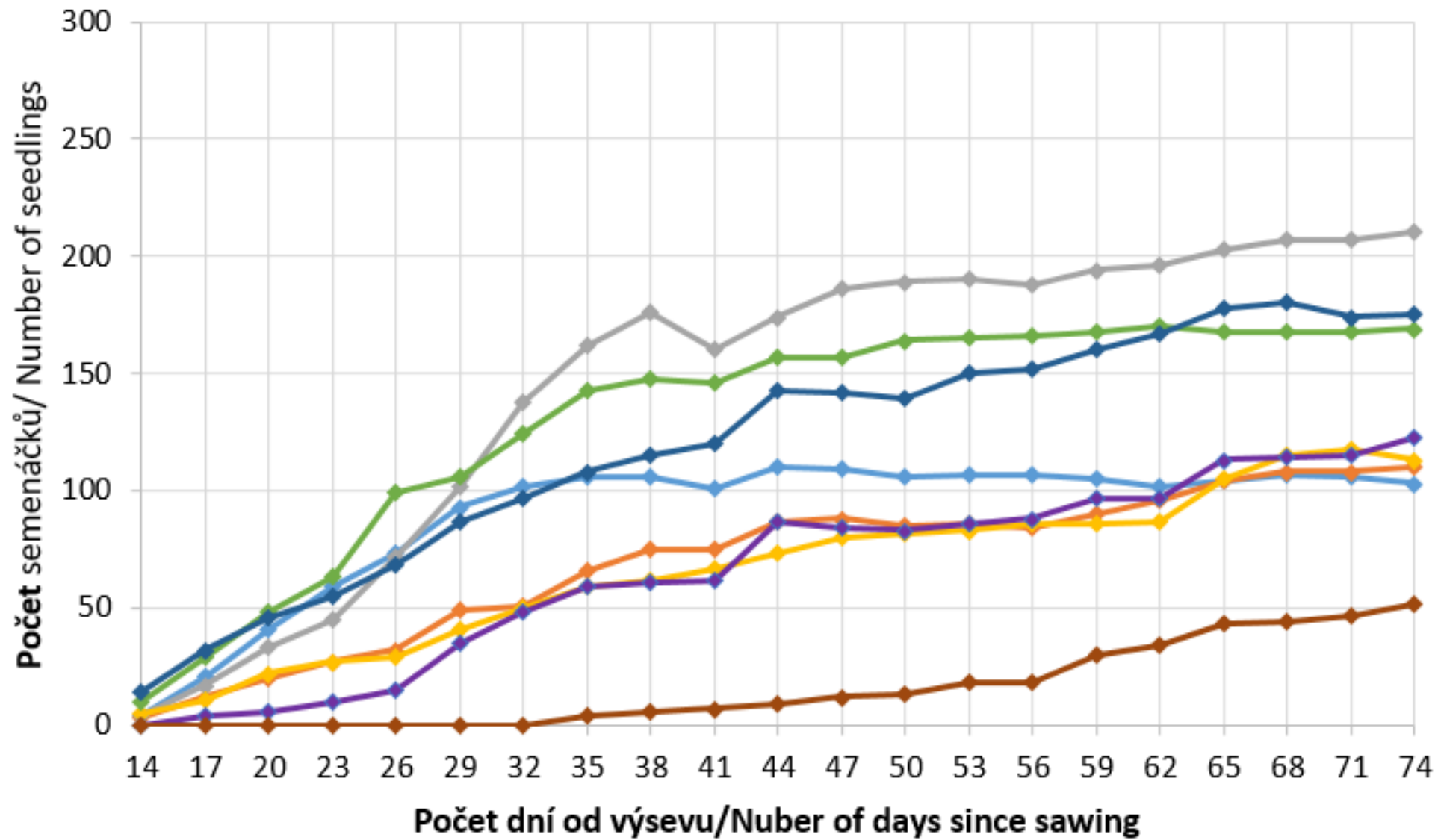


6a

Ukázky  
vzcházení  
variant (5a  
pomůcka  
pro sčítání)

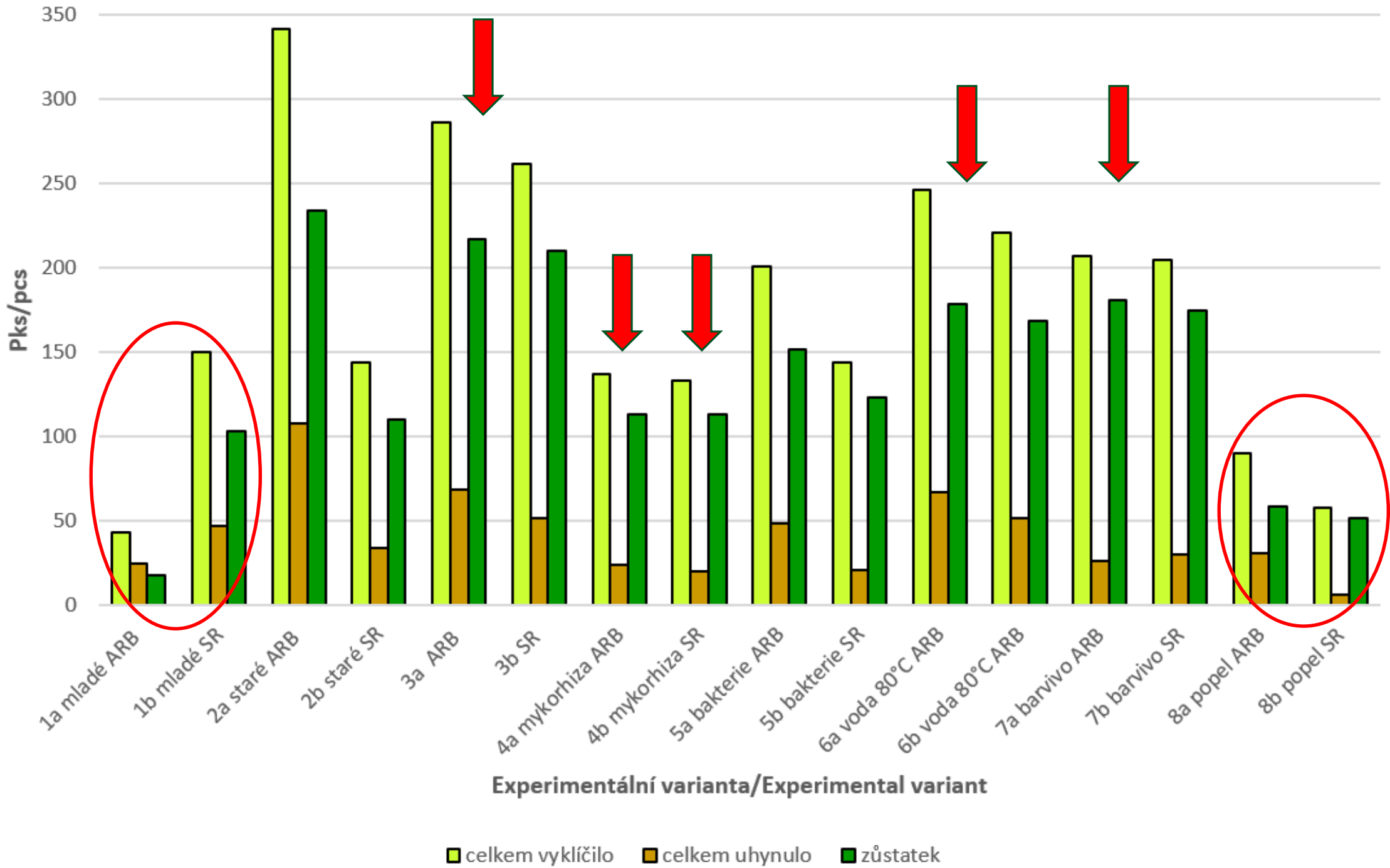


1a 2a 3a 4a 5a 6a 7a 8a



1b 2b 3b 4b 5b 6b 7b 8b





## Závěry:

- **Rozměry šišek** statisticky významně **odlišné** (vyžaduje větší soubory)
- **Hmotnost semen nižší** v porovnání s **literaturou**
- **Výrazný rozdíl ve vzcházivosti** osiva z **mladých šišek** (1a vs. 2a)
- **Nejlepší** vzcházivost a přežívání **kontrolní** varianta (3a, 3b)
- Dobré výsledky rovněž varianty 6a, 6b (horká voda) a 7a, 7b (barvivo)
- Méně uspokojivé výsledky u variant 4a, 4b (mykorhiza) a 5a, 5b (bakterie)
- **Minimální vzcházivost** u variant 8a, 8b (**příměs popelu**)

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