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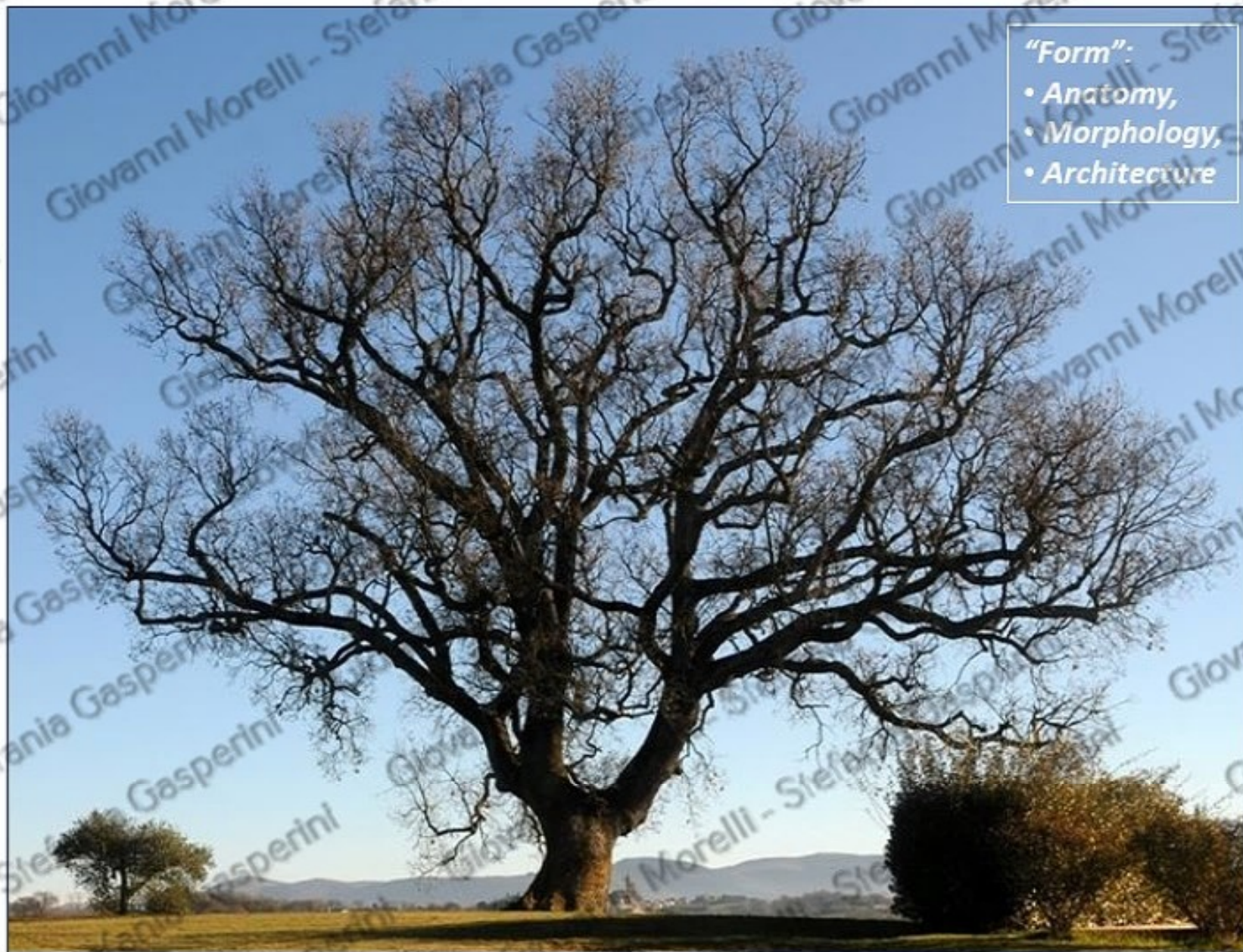
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***Tree Morphology :
time, space and complexity***

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The tree form



The tree form is the plastic, dynamic and transient expression of the relationship between the individual and the context. The study of the form allows to outline the past of a tree, to describe its present and to foresee the future, by placing in morphological and functional relation its different anatomical regions in a logical and consequential way.

The tree form is a language or, rather, the expressive form of its identity: the tree is its form.

The Evolution of the form



Oak (Photo J. Green)



"Form":

- Anatomy,
- Morphology,
- Architecture

Quercus pubescens (Photo V. Capodarco)

Describing the evolution: time, growth and development

Space
(growth)

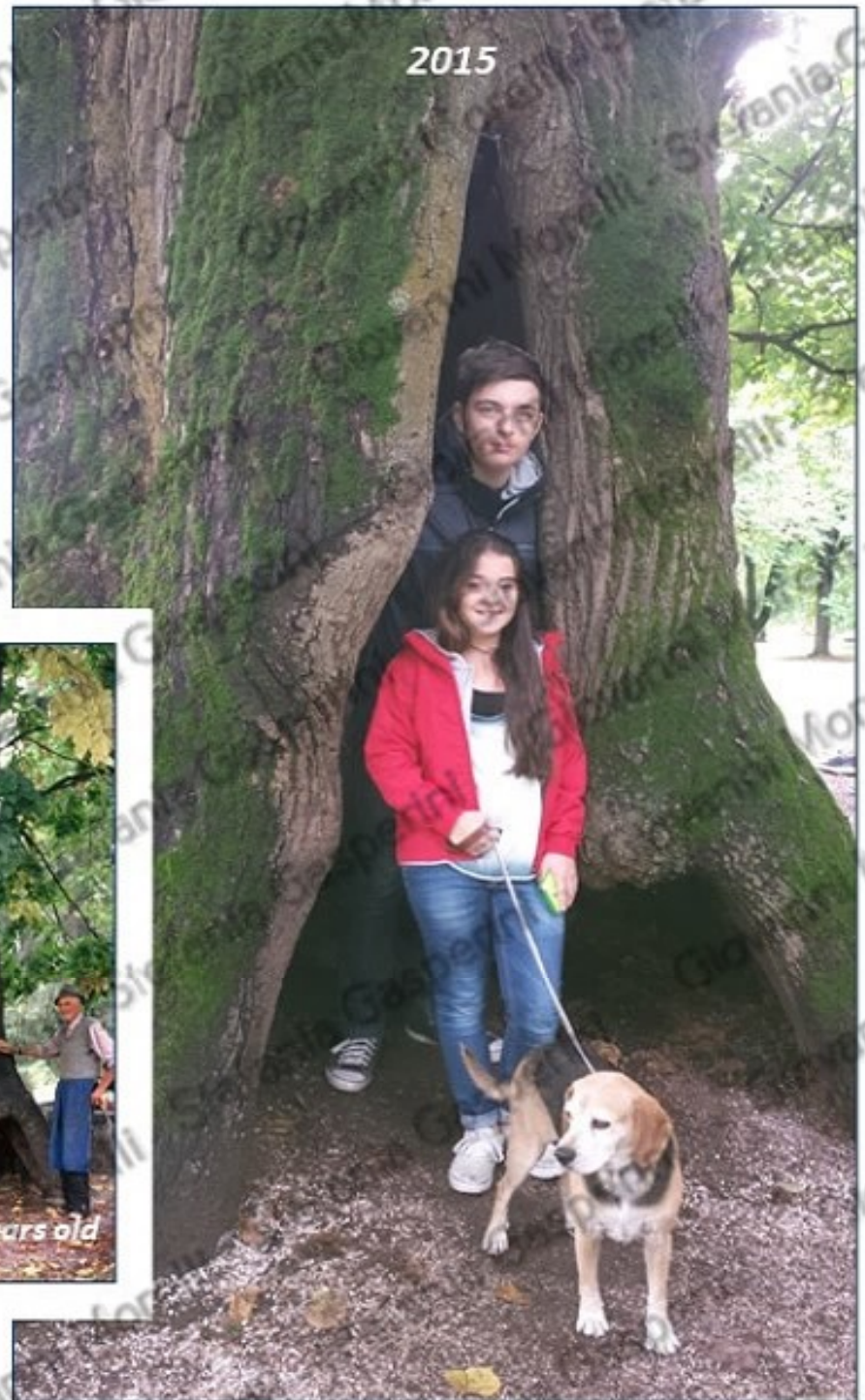


Time

Organisation
(development)

Quercus pubescens Photo V. Capodarca]

Conceptual issues: time

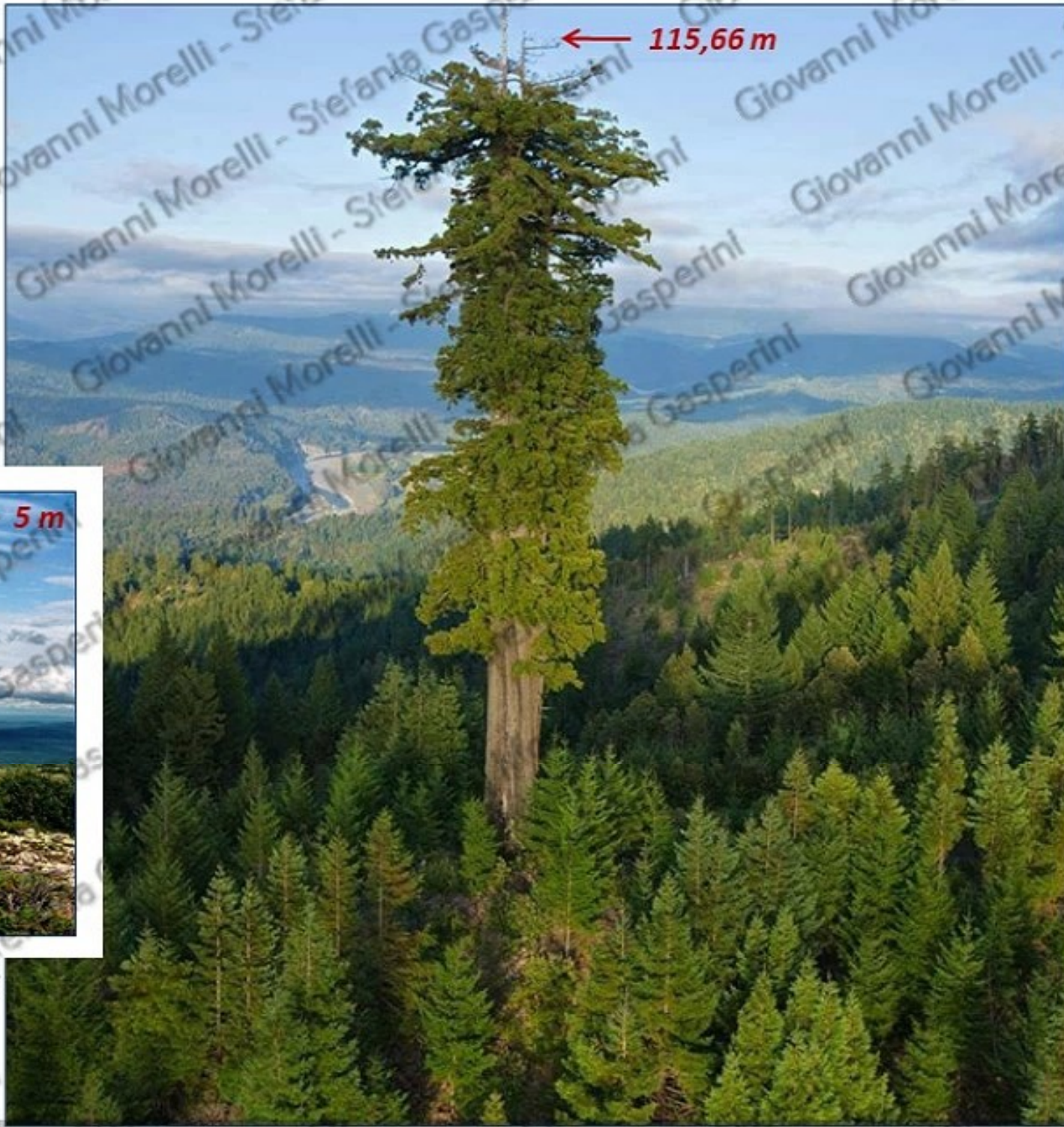


Linden tree, Ludovico, Margherita e Max, Cavalese (TN)

Conceptual issues: space and organisation



Conceptual issues: space and organisation



Picea abies (Old Tjikko);
height 5 m,
estimated age 9560
years

Photo: Google

*Sequoia
sempervirens*
(Hyperion); height
115,66 m, estimated
age 2.500 years.
Photo: J. Janover

Dynamics and impermanence of the form: growth, development and modularity

**Space:
growth**

Modularity:
Self-similarity,
Redundancy,
Substitutability,
Subtraction,
Resilience.

Time

**Organisation:
development**



Quercus pubescens. Photo V. Capodarca

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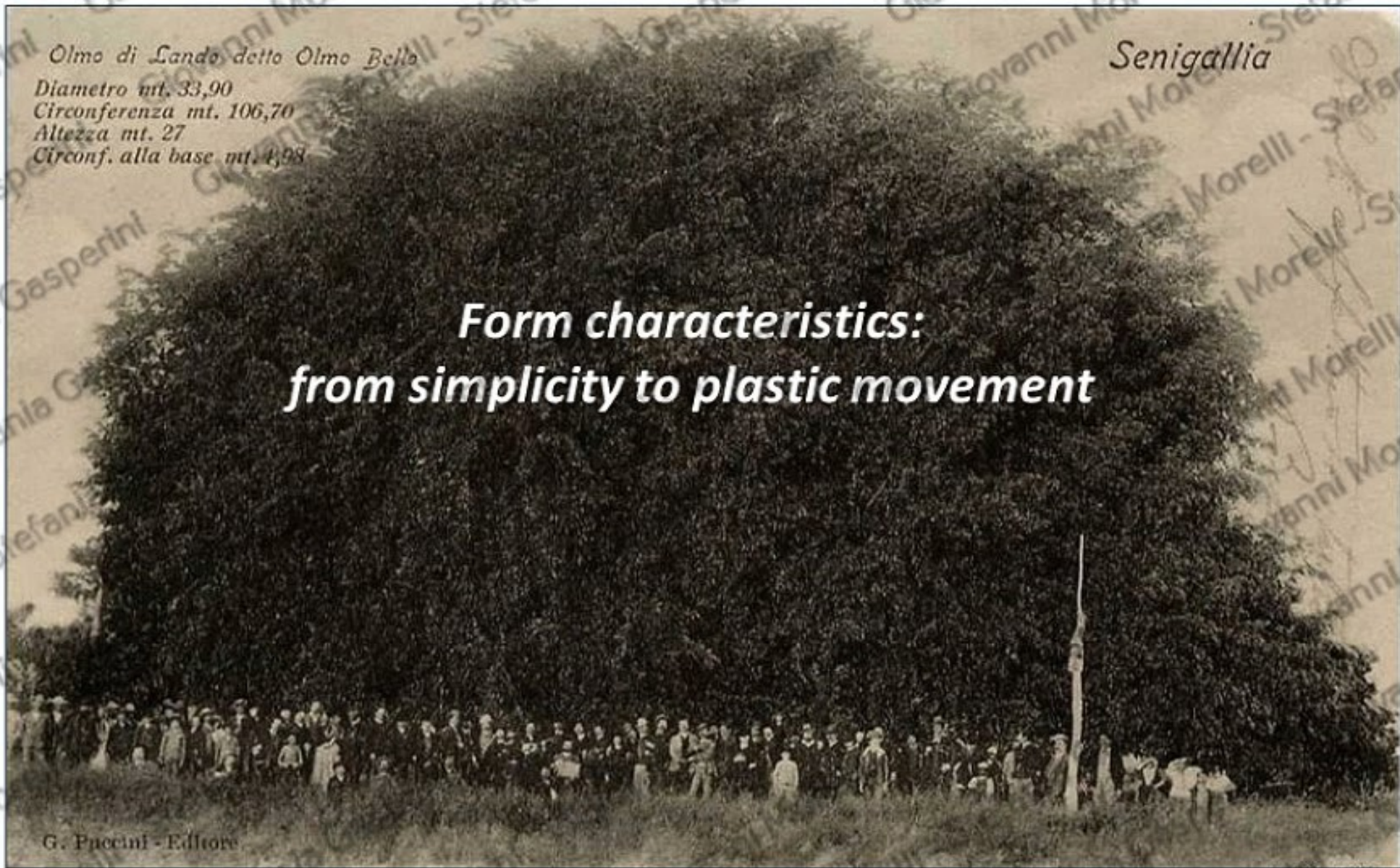
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***Form characteristics:
from simplicity to plastic movement***

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Characteristics of tree form: simplicity, hierarchy, complexity, directionality



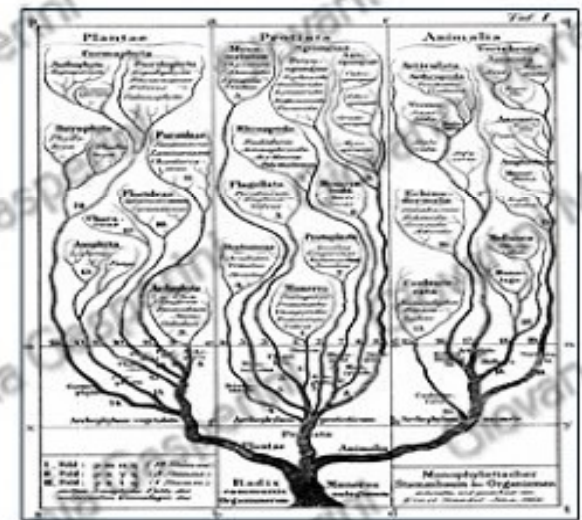
Margherita Morelli:
"Tree"; 2011



Pacino di Buonaguida:
"Tree of life"; 1305-1310 ca.



F. Ughelli: "Albero et historia
of Counts of Marsciano"; 1667



E. Haeckel:
"Monophyletischer stammbaum";
Berlin 1866

Plastic movement



The evolution of the form as a behaviour



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Self-similarity,
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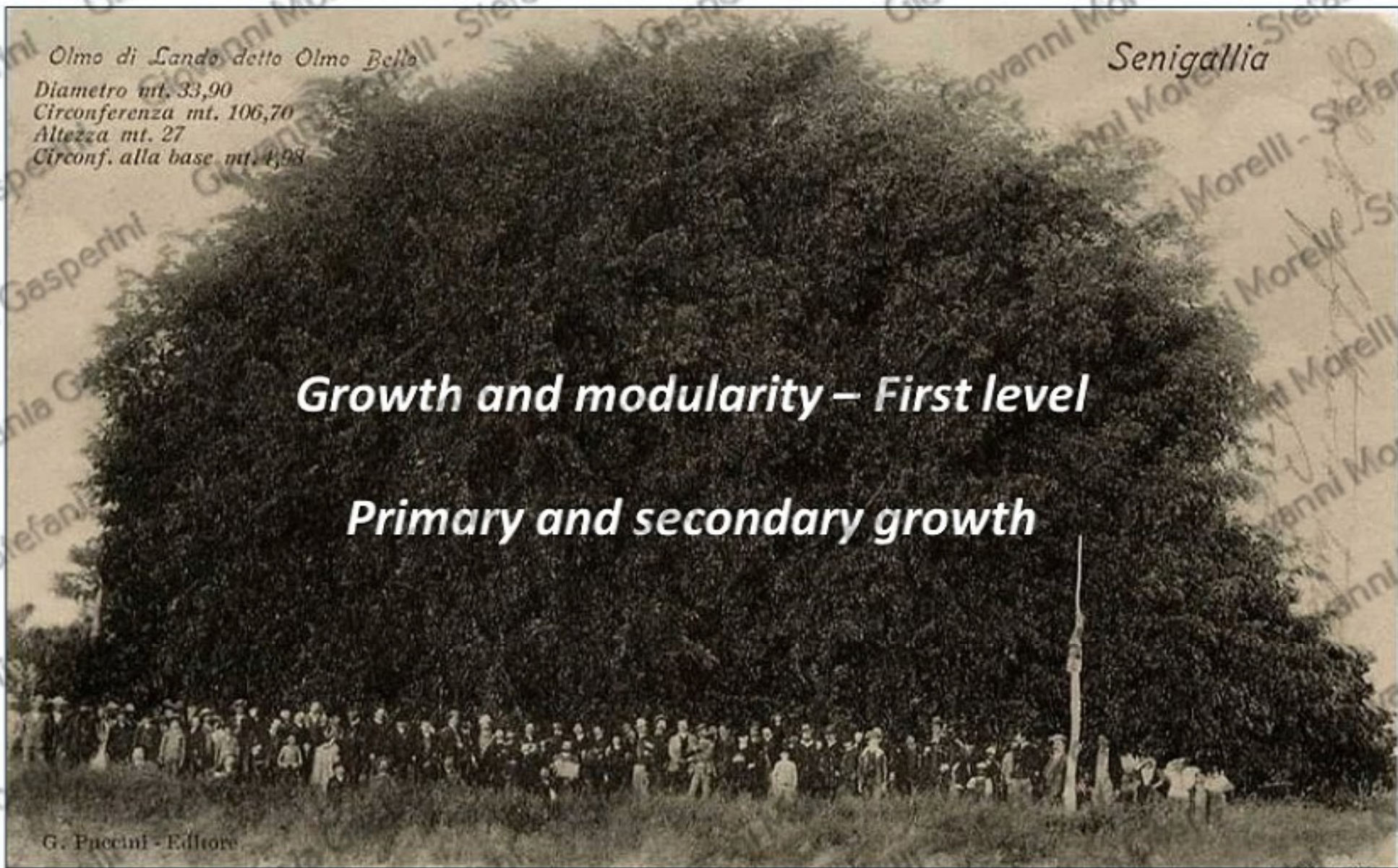
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Growth and modularity – First level

Primary and secondary growth

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First level of modularity: Primary and secondary growth

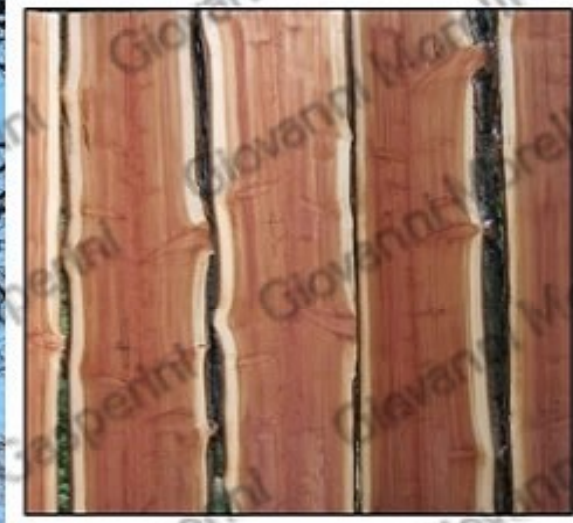


Q. Pubescens (Photo G. Morelli)

Aesculus hippocastanum (Photo G. Morelli)

Acer saccharinum (Photo G. Morelli)

**First level of modularity:
Secondary growth**



200 cones

First level of modularity: Secondary growth

Source Google



G. Penone: "Young tree carved inside old tree"



Q. pubescens (Photo G. Morelli)

- 1 ring
- 10 rings
- 30 rings
- 60 rings
- 100 rings
- 140 rings
- 180 rings
- 200 rings



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Branching

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Branching



Branching as an expression of hormonal balance

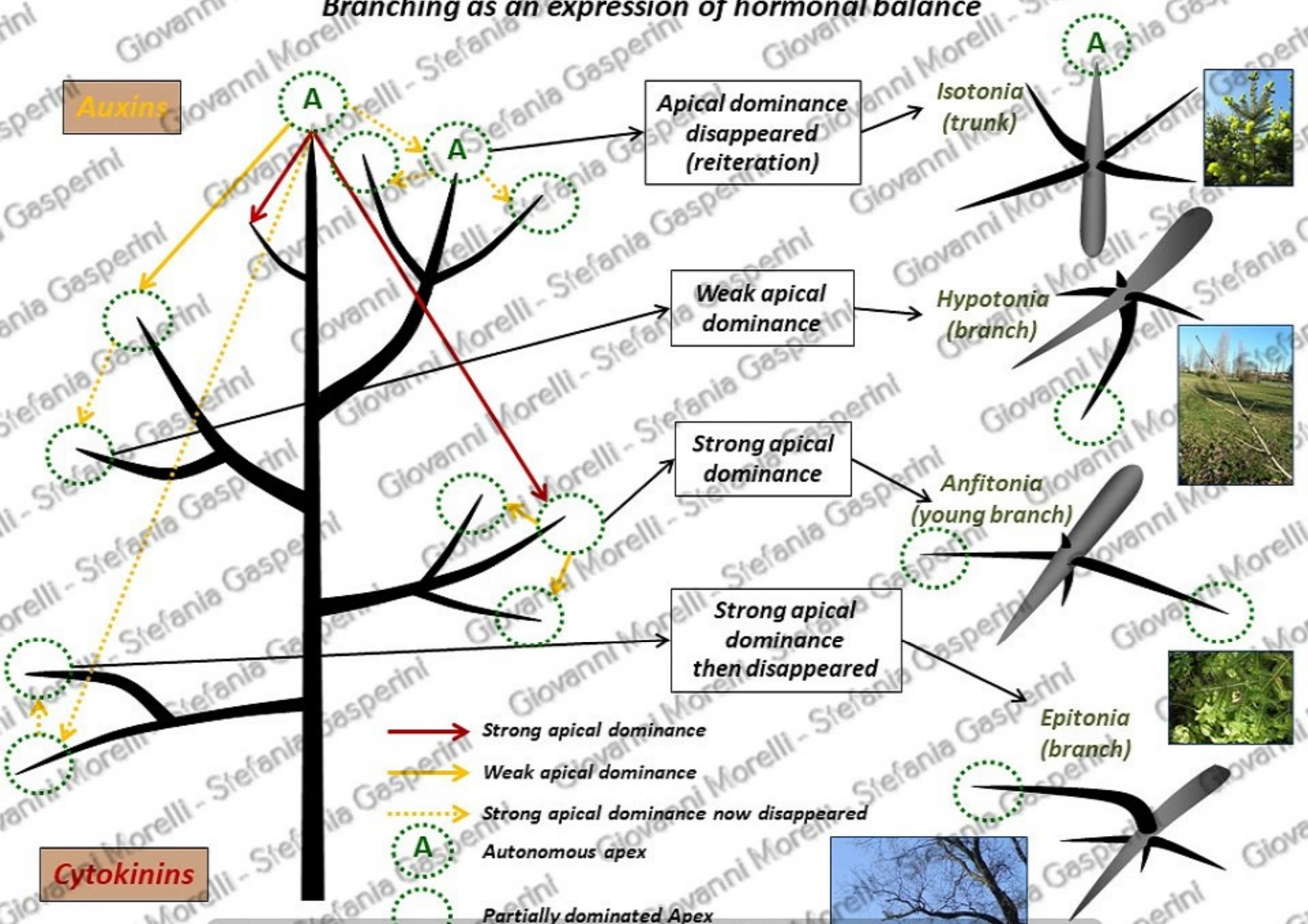


Picea abies (Photo G. Morelli)

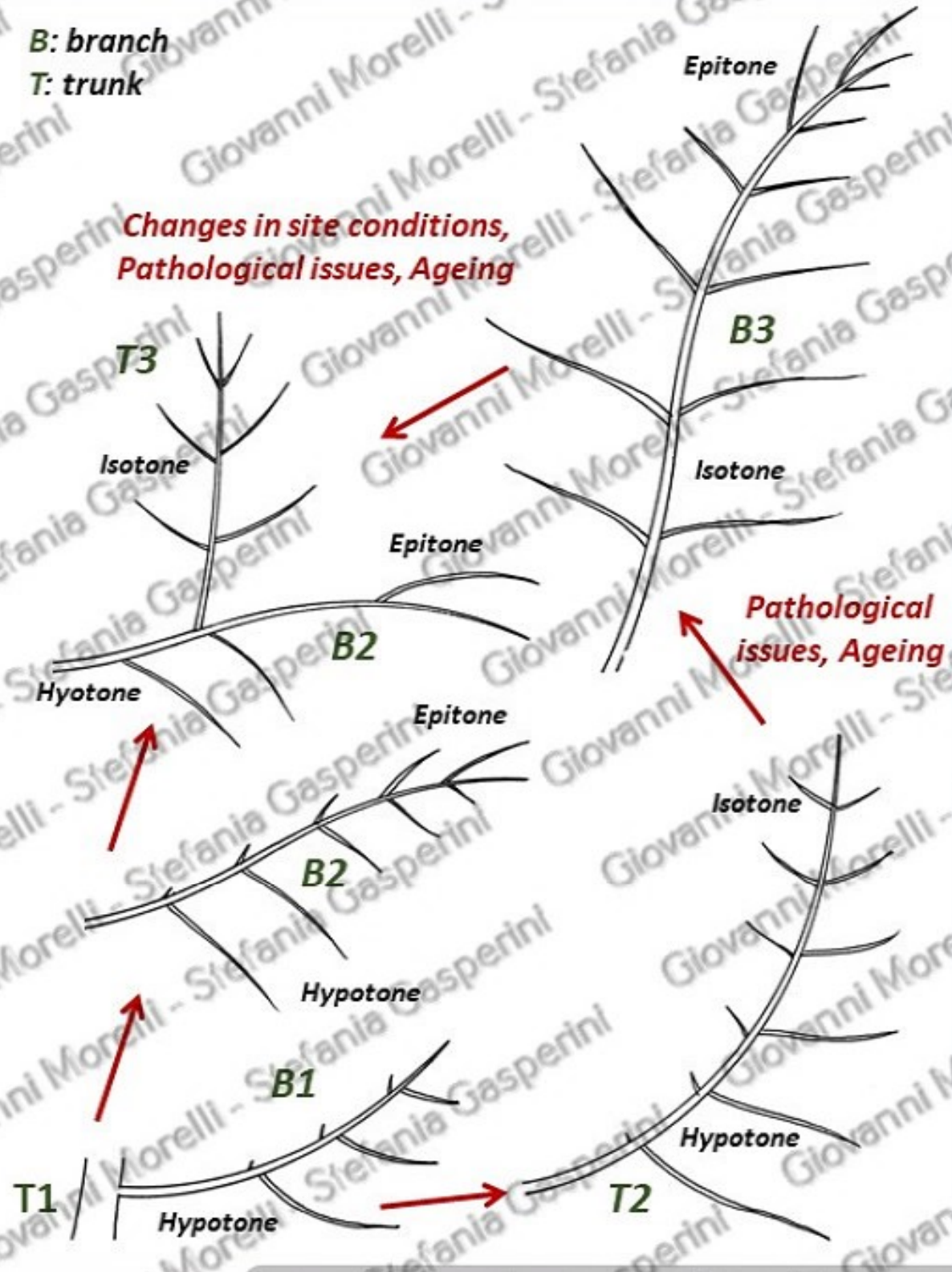


Cytokinins

Branching as an expression of hormonal balance



B: branch
T: trunk



The Metamorphosis of the branches: from branch to trunk, round trip

B: branch characterized by the asymmetrical development of lateral ramifications (epitonia or hypotonia). Can be horizontal, vertical or intermediate

T: trunk, whose development of the ramifications is symmetrical (isotons) and tends mainly to verticality.

(T1: primary trunk, T2 e T3: secondary trunks).

The evolution of the branch in trunk is a physiological process (primary total reiteration) that can occur only when it is still vertical (from B1 to T2).

A totally horizontal branch (B2) will be a branch forever. Only hypotonic branches can evolve into trunks, while the epitones, can originate trunks only by total secondary reiteration (B1 to B2 + T3).

The trunks can regress to branches in specific situations (traumas, senescence or bad pruning), in this case becoming forcibly branches, epitonic and plagiotropic (from T2 to B3).

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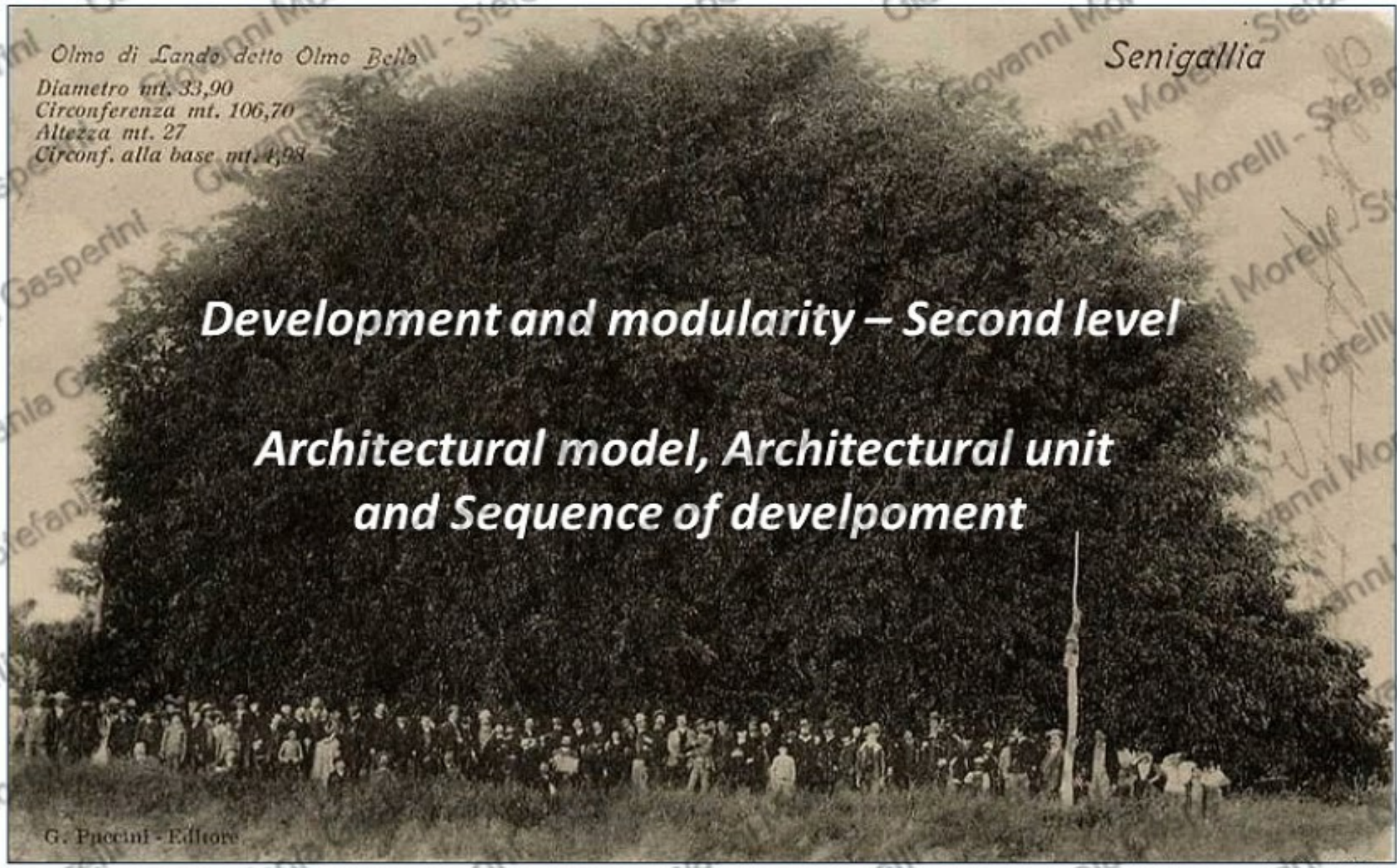
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Development and modularity – Second level

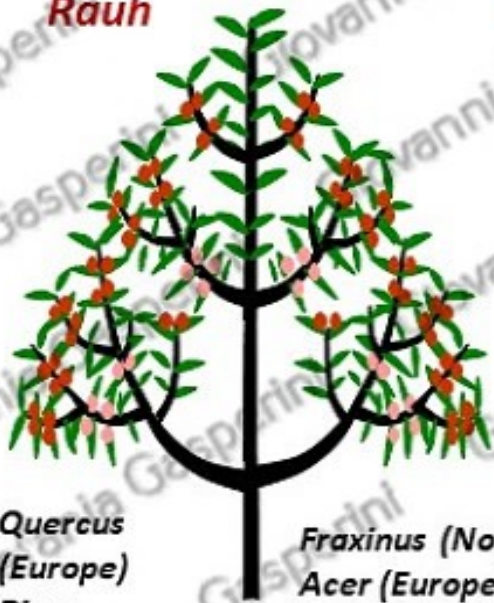
***Architectural model, Architectural unit
and Sequence of development***

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The "common denominator" of tree architecture: Architectural Models

Rauh



Quercus
(Europe)
Pinus
Populus alba
Populus nigra

Troll



Ulmaceae
Tilia
Fagus
Carpinus

Massart



Ginkgo
Cedrus
Abies
Picea
Platanus
Taxus
Quercus (USA)
Diospyros kaki

Kwan-Koriba



Robinia
Paulownia
Catalpa
Ailanthus
Acer (Asia)

Attims



Cupressaceae



Ligustrum
Syringa

Leeuwenberg



Tsuga

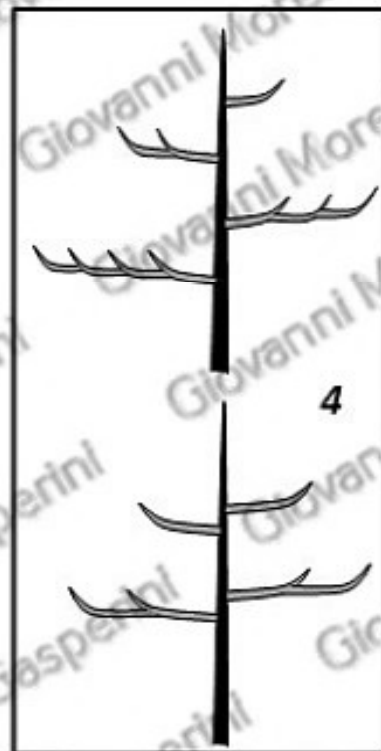
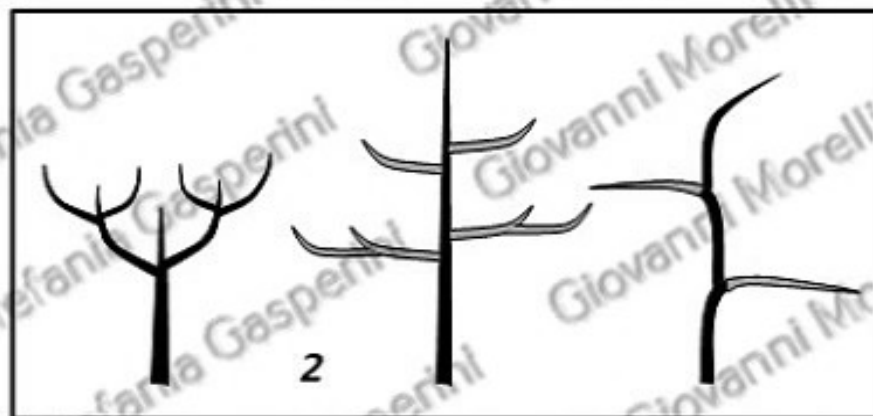
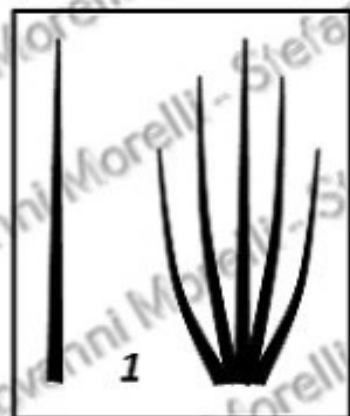
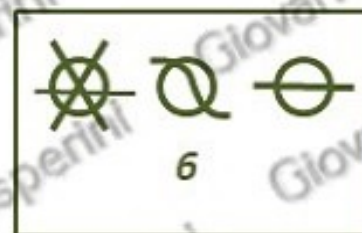
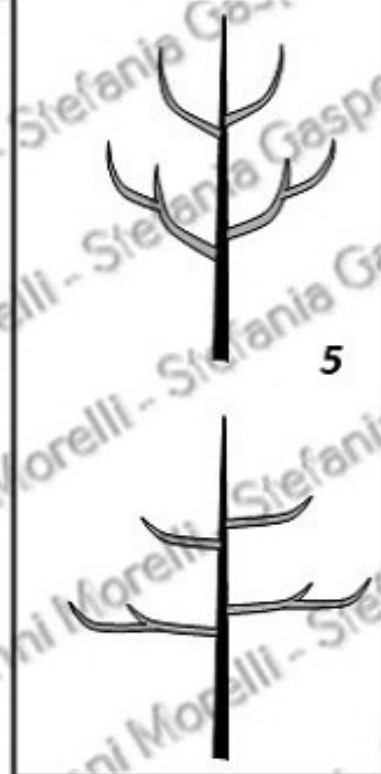
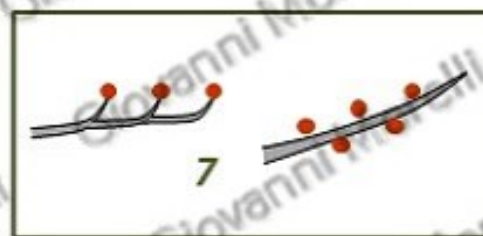
Mangenot

G. Morelli, 2017

Describing the architectural models

Criteria:

1. Single axis or branched axis;
2. Equivalent Axes, trunk and branches differentiated or mixed axes
3. Monopodial or sympodial trunk;
4. Rhythmic or continuous growth;
5. Lateral branches: orthotropic or plagiotropic;
6. Phyllotaxis: spiral or verticillate, spirodistic or distic;
7. Flowers in a terminal or lateral position;
8. Monocarpic or polycarpic trees.



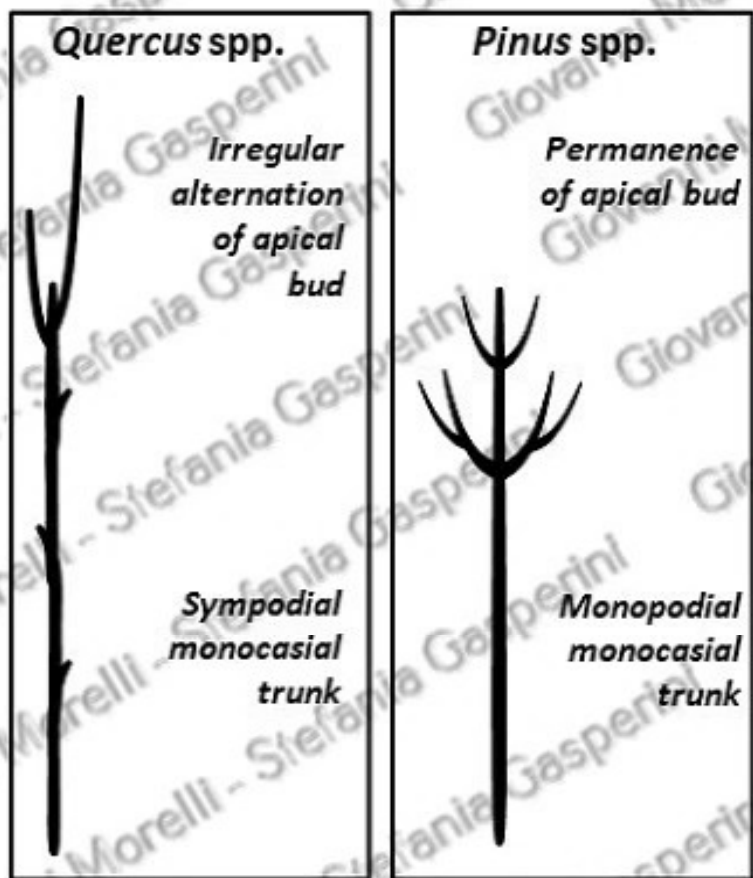
■ tronco ■ branca

The phylogenetic level of the form: Rauh architectural model

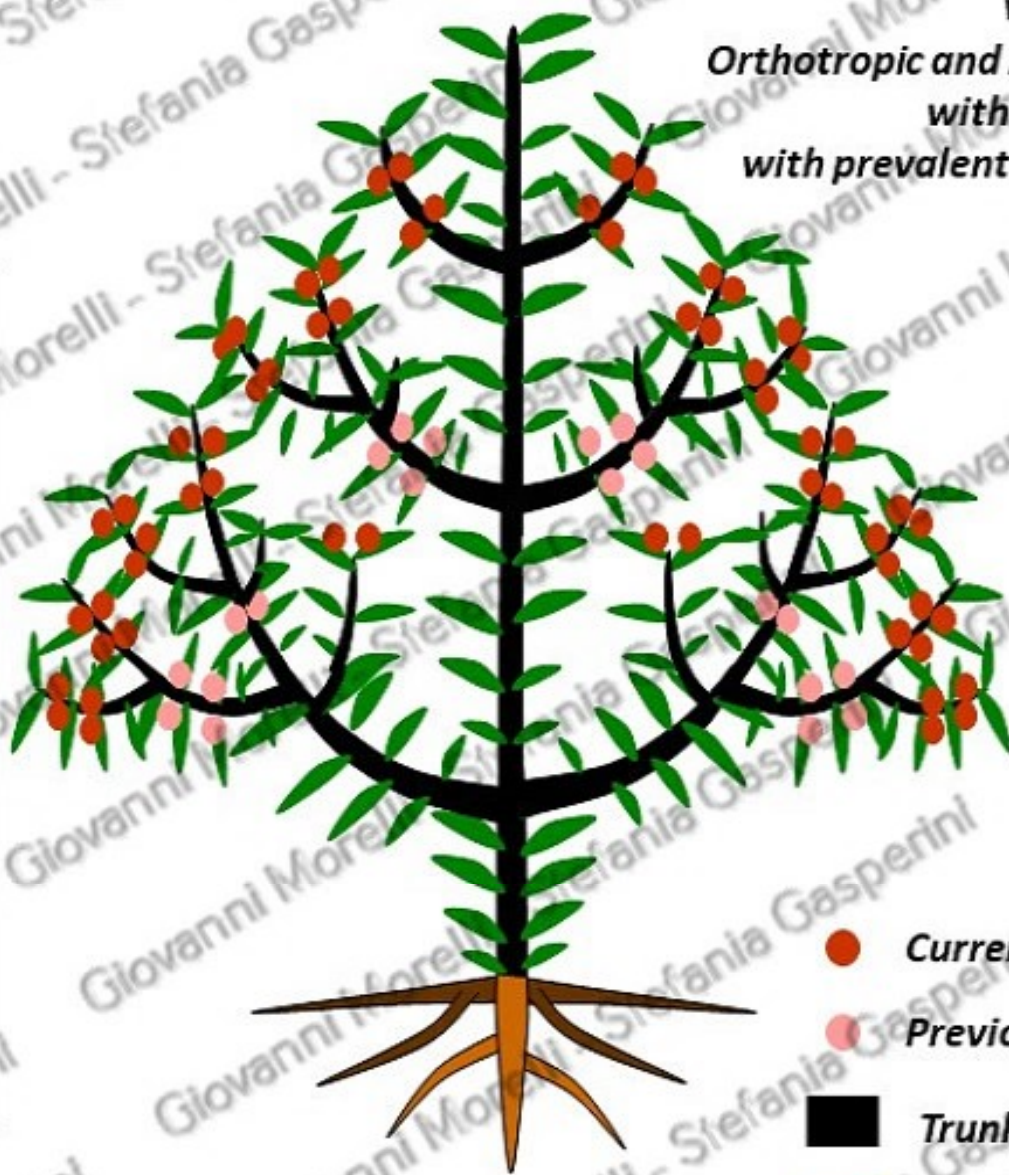
Trunk and branches
differentiated only after
flowering (lateral)

Spiral phyllotaxis

Orthotropic and
monopodial/sympodial trunk
with rhythmic growth
Orthotropic and monopodial branches
with rhythmic growth and
with prevalent hypotonic branching



First root system usually
from seed



- Current flowering
- Previous flowering
- Trunk and branches
- Fasciculated root system
- Taprooting root system

The phylogenetic level of the form: Massart architectural model

Trunk and branches different both for the flowering (lateral on branches) and for the phyllotaxis (distich for the trunk and spiral for the branches)

Orthotropic trunk (isotonic branching) monopodial branches with rhythmic growth

Anfitotonic branching monopodial branches with rhythmic growth

Platanus sp.

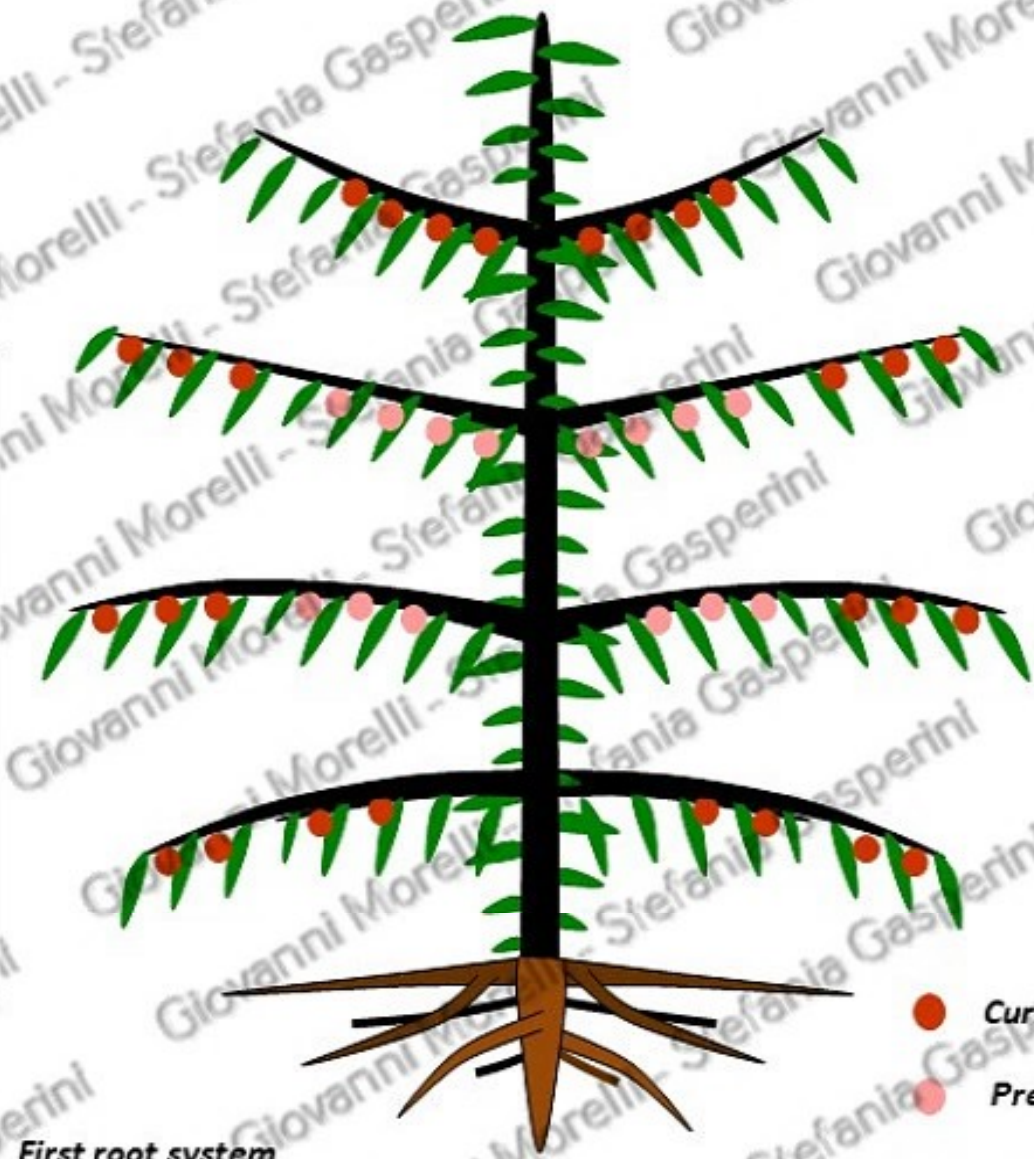
Annual alternation of apical bud

Sympodial monocasial trunk

Cedrus sp.

Permanence of apical bud

Monopodial monocasial trunk



● Current flowering

● Previous flowering

■ Trunks and branches

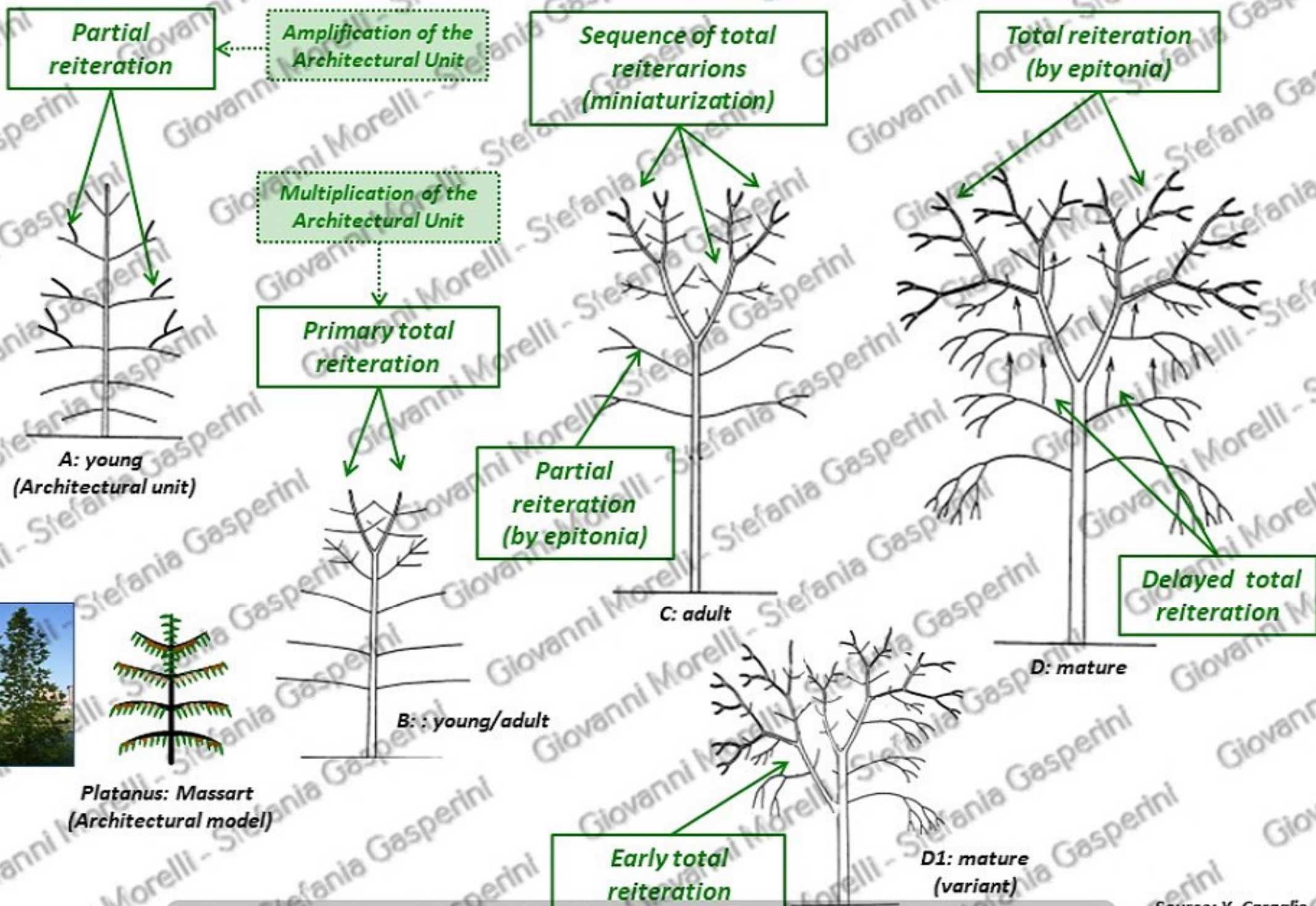
■ Fasciculated root system

■ Taprooting root system

First root system usually from seed



Modularity - second level: the architectural unit and the sequence of development

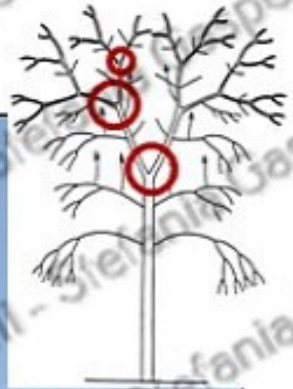
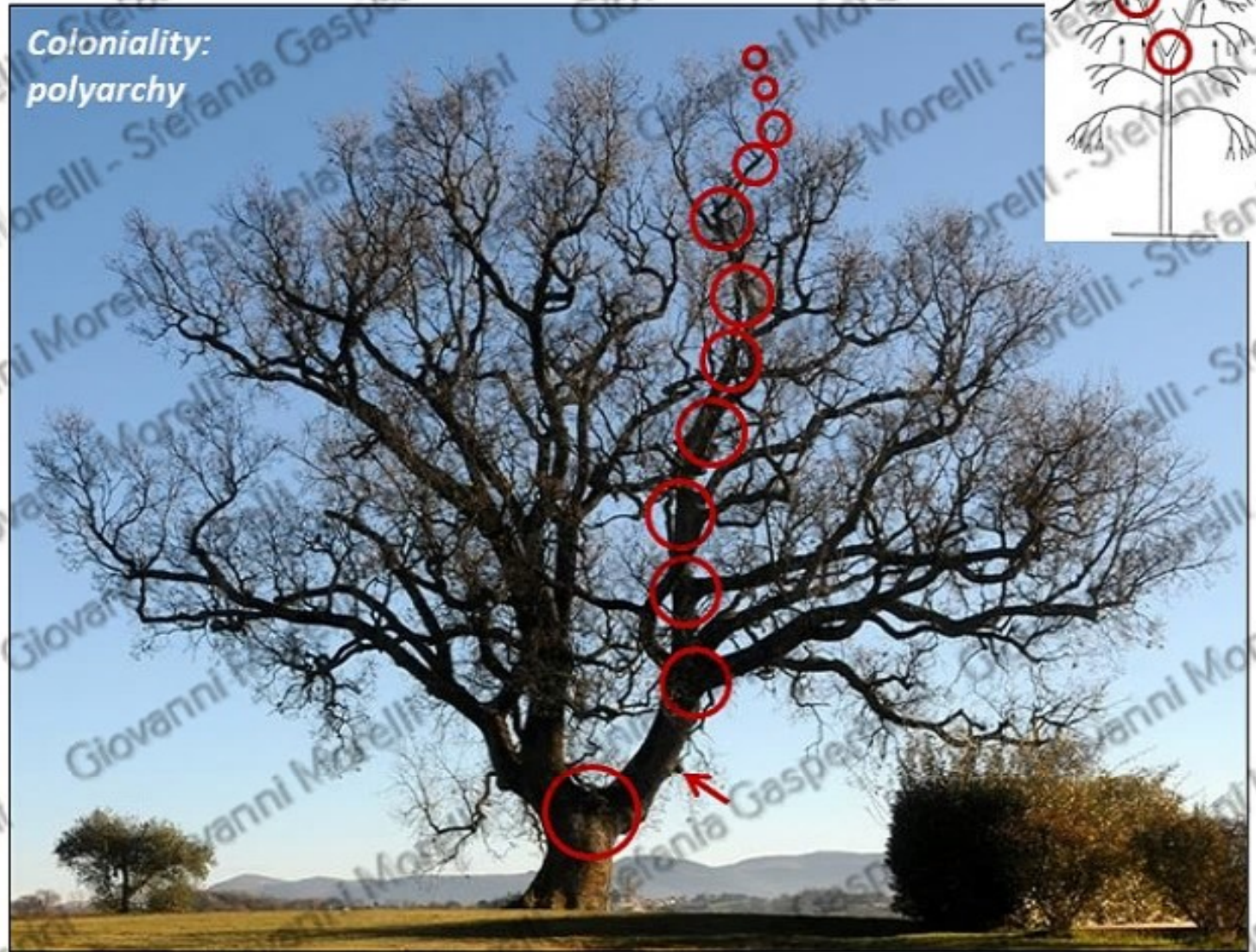


Species growth strategies: gigantism or coloniality

Gigantism:
hierarchy



Coloniality:
polyarchy



Quercus pubescens. Photo: V. Capodarca

Picea abies.
Photo G. Morelli

 **Total reiteration
(temporary or permanent polyarchy)**



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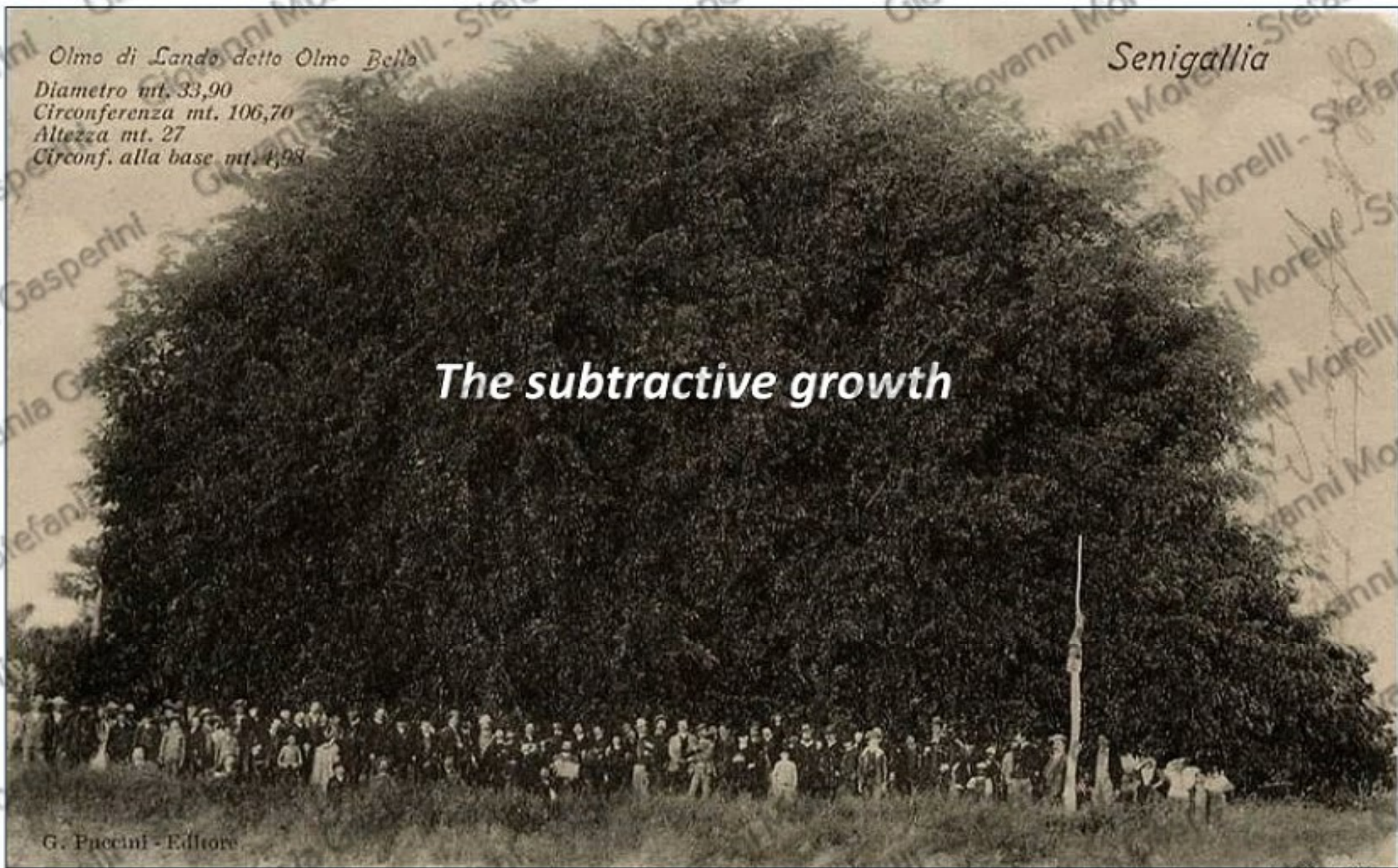
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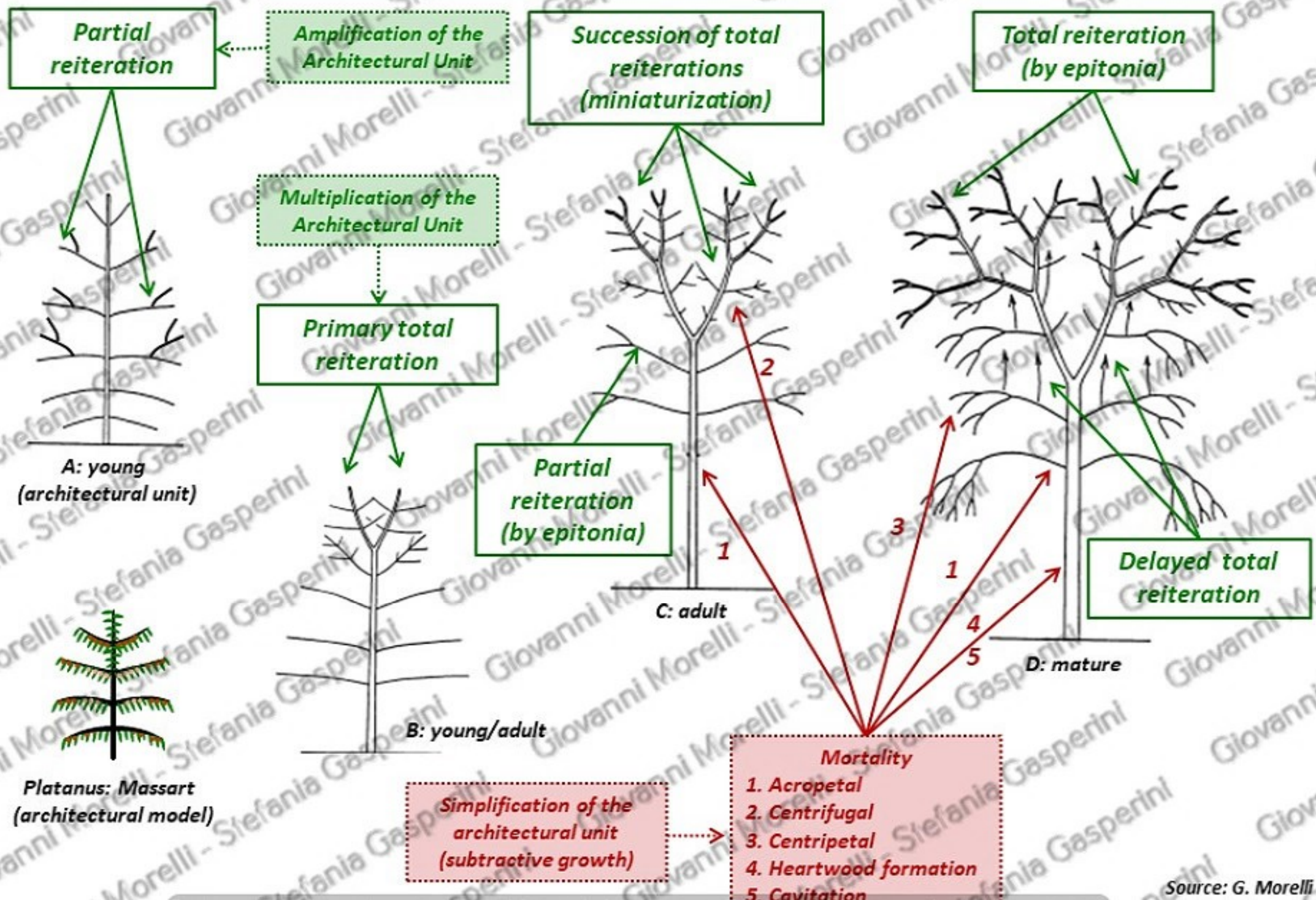
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The subtractive growth

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Sequence of development and subtractive growth



Consequences of modularity: the subtractive growth



Autumn cladoptosis

Source N. Fay



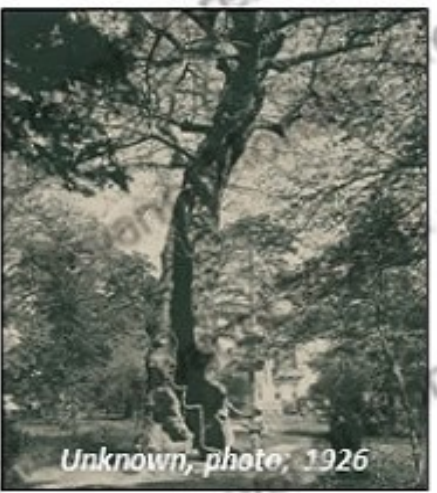
Platanus orientalis (planted in 1680)
Botanic garden, Padova. Photo G. Morelli



C. Matsheg, watercolors; 1862



Duramification
(heartwood formation)



Unknown, photo; 1926



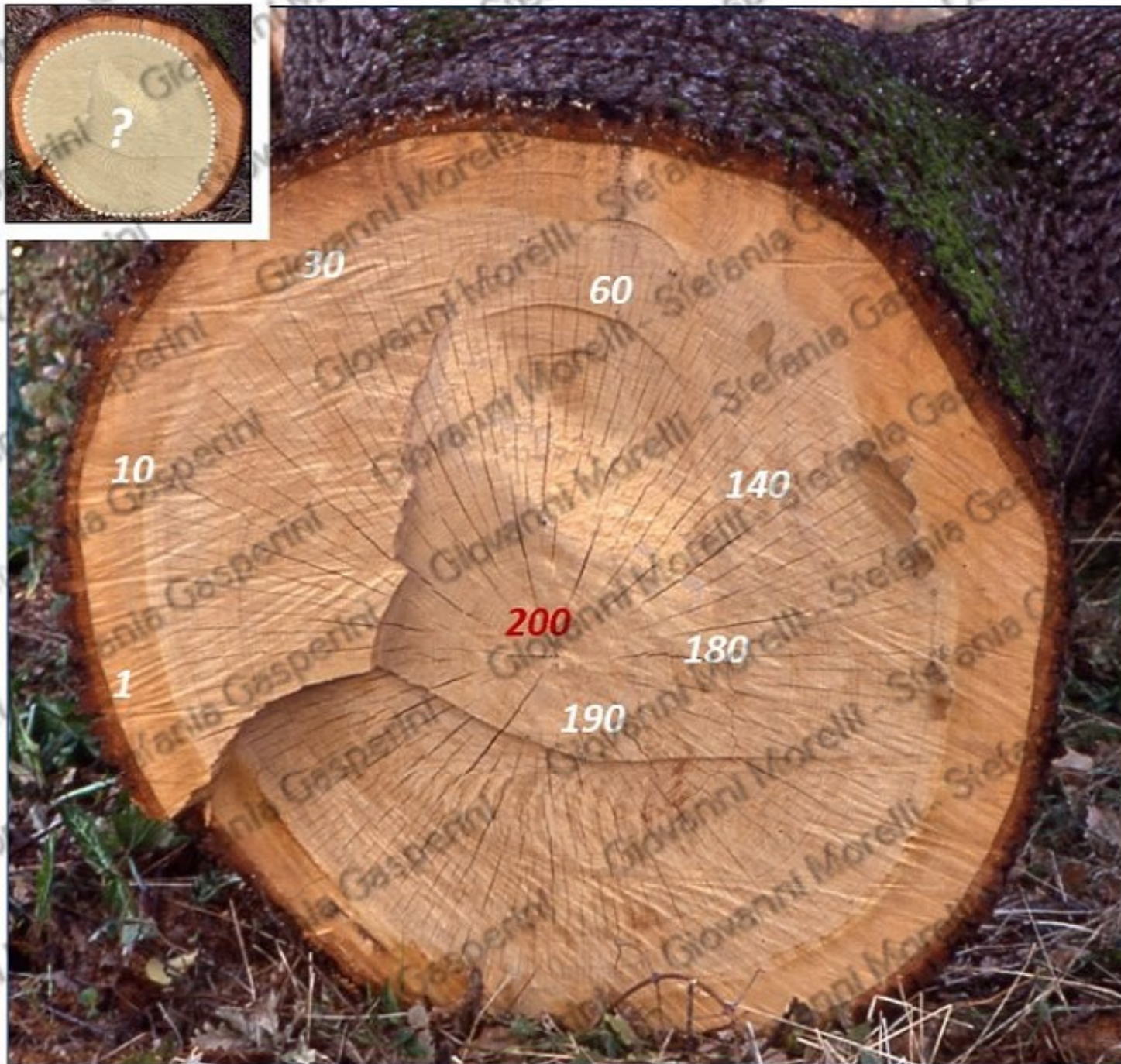
Cavitation



Unknown, photo; 1963

G. Morelli, 2018

Consequences of modularity: Dead or alive? Young or old?



Q. pubescens (1810 - 2010):
200 years, 200 rings, maybe 30 rings of sapwood. Macerata



P. orientalis (1680 - 2019):
339 years, 20 rings of sapwood?
Botanic garden, Padova

Fonte: G. Morelli, 2018

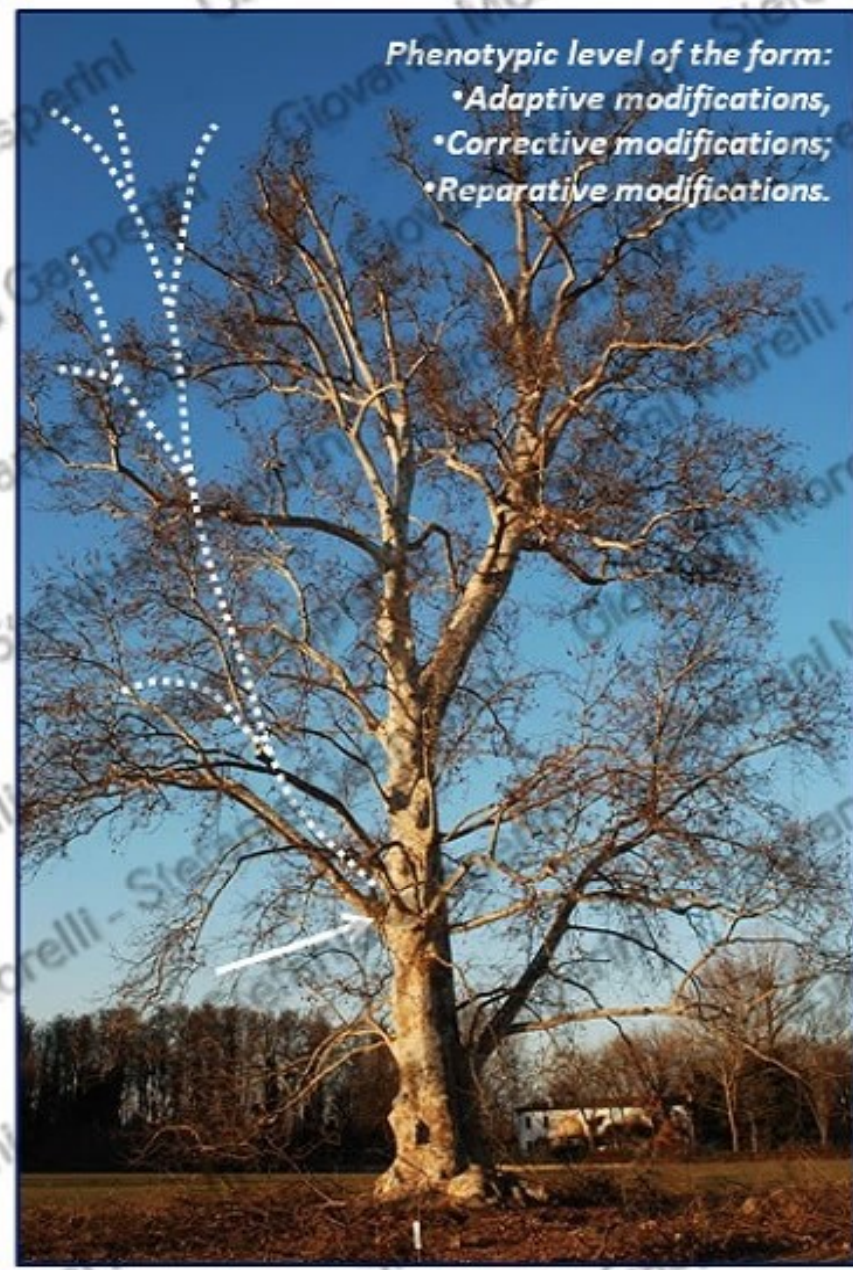


Platanus x acerifolia (1890 - 2000):
110 years, 20 rings of sapwood. Ferrara

Development: the three levels of the form

Architectural model
(architectural unit)

Reiteration and
subtractive growth

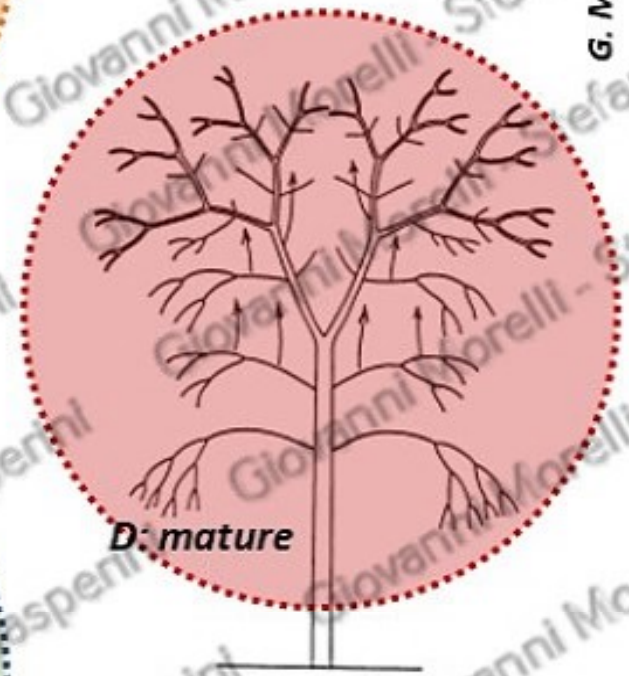


Phenotypic level of the form:
• Adaptive modifications,
• Corrective modifications;
• Reparative modifications.



Massart

Phylogenetic level



D: mature

Ontogenetic level



Phenotypic level

Adaptive,
corrective and
reparative
modification

"Real" tree

G. Morelli, 2017

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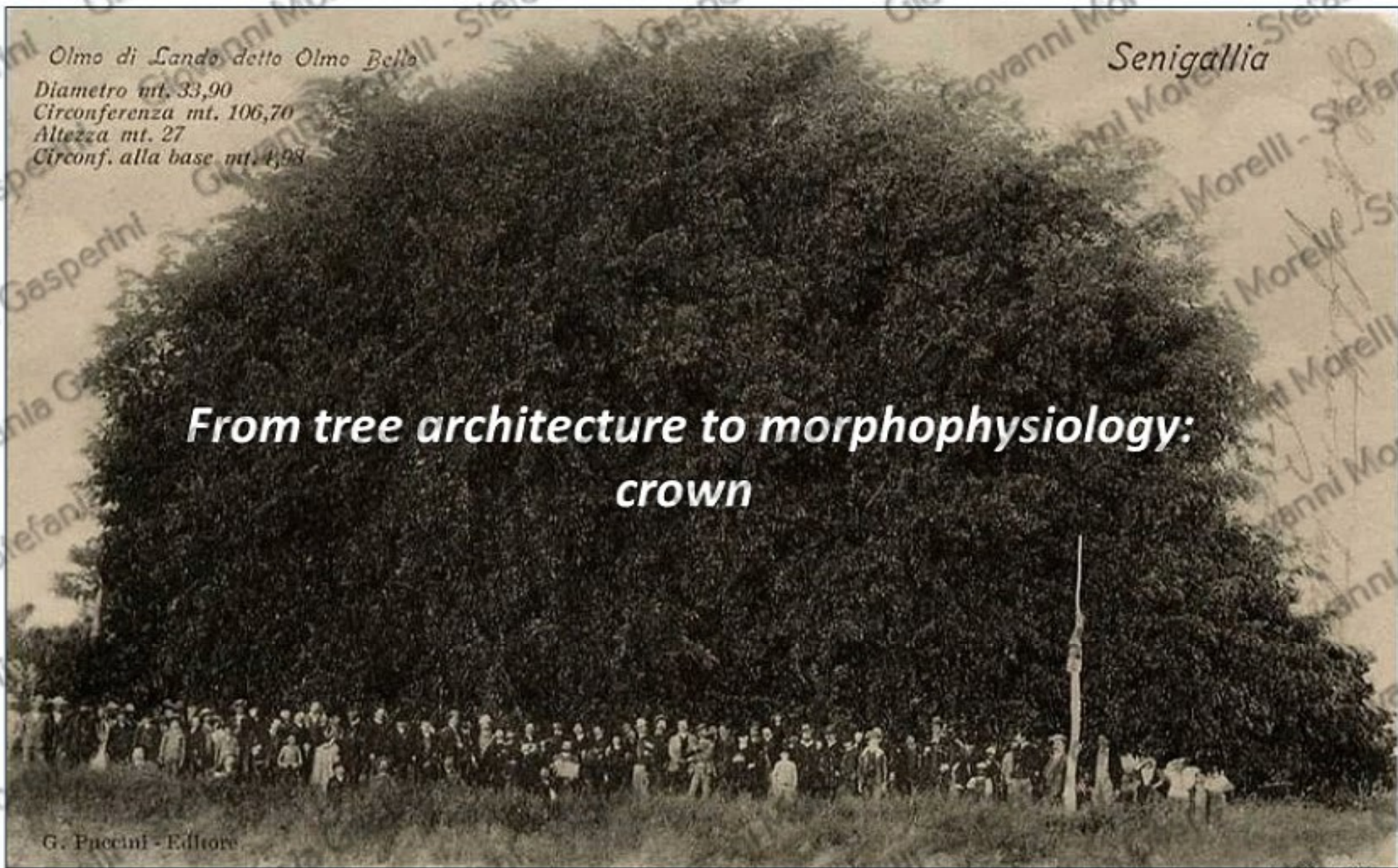
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***From tree architecture to morphophysiology:
crown***

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The form as an expression of a dynamic balance

Energy balance

Modularity:
Self-similarity,
Redundancy,
Substitutability,
Subtraction,
Resilience.

**Hormonal
balance**

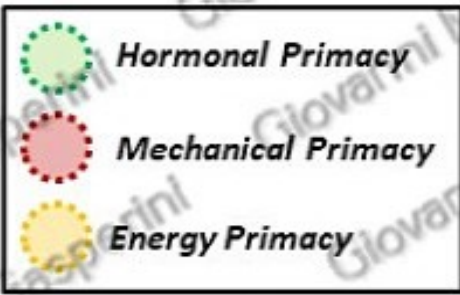
Dynamic balance

**Mechanical
balance**

Quercus pubescens. Photo V. Capodarca

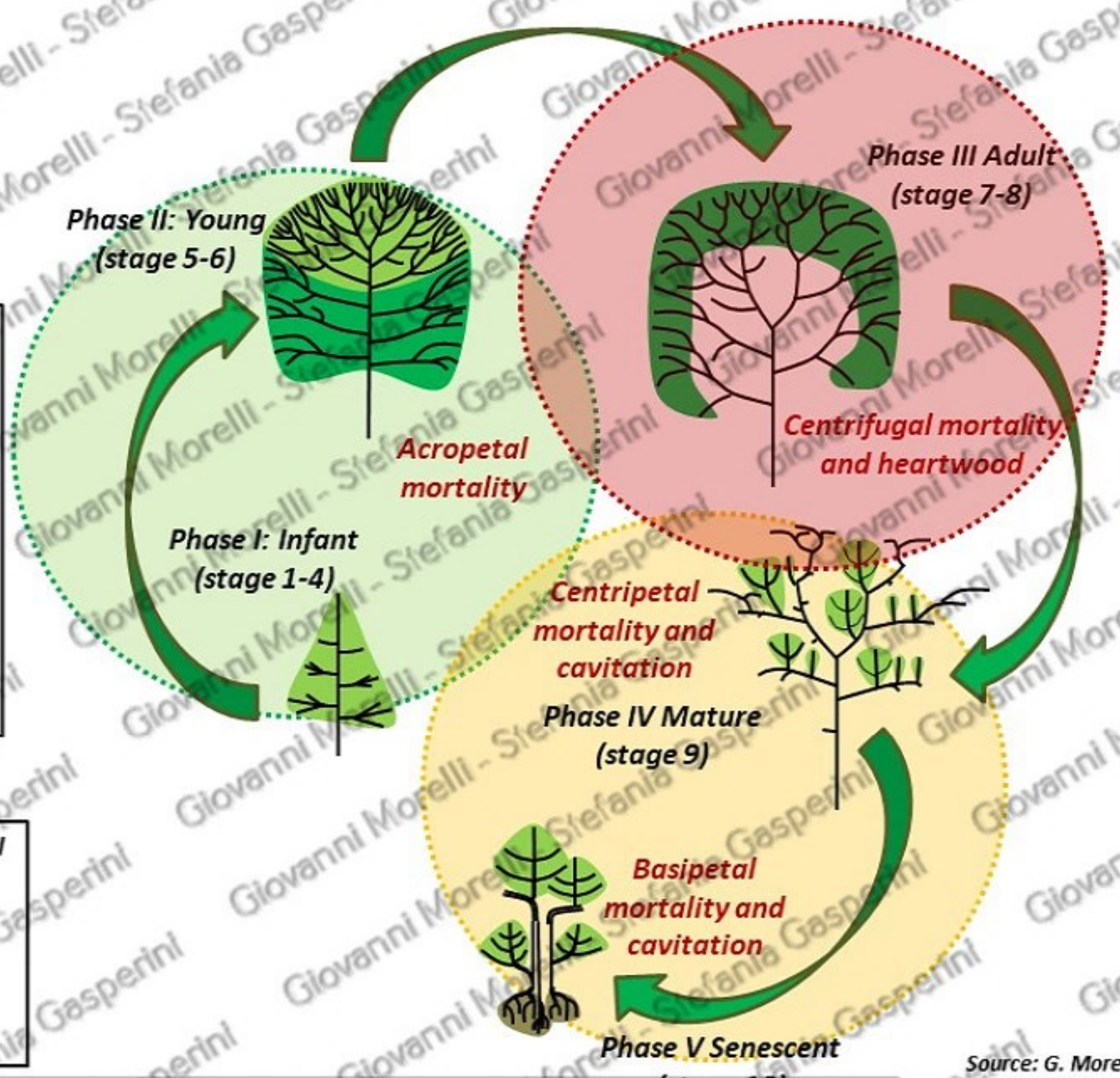
Source: G. Morelli; 2012

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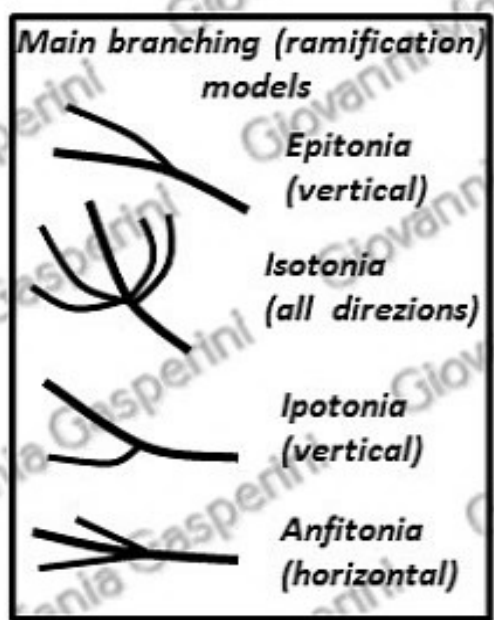


I: Infant (stage 1-4)	Growth in height (building the trunk)
II: Young (stage 5-6)	Growth in volume (building the crown)
III: Adult (stage 7-8)	Lasting in time (crown renewal)
IV: Mature (stage 9)	Lasting in time (crown reduction)
V: Senescent (stage 10)	Lasting in time (crown reconstruction)

- The sequence of morphophysiological stages can:
- Have stages with a variable duration;
 - Be incomplete;
 - Have jumps of stages;
 - Have regressions of stages;

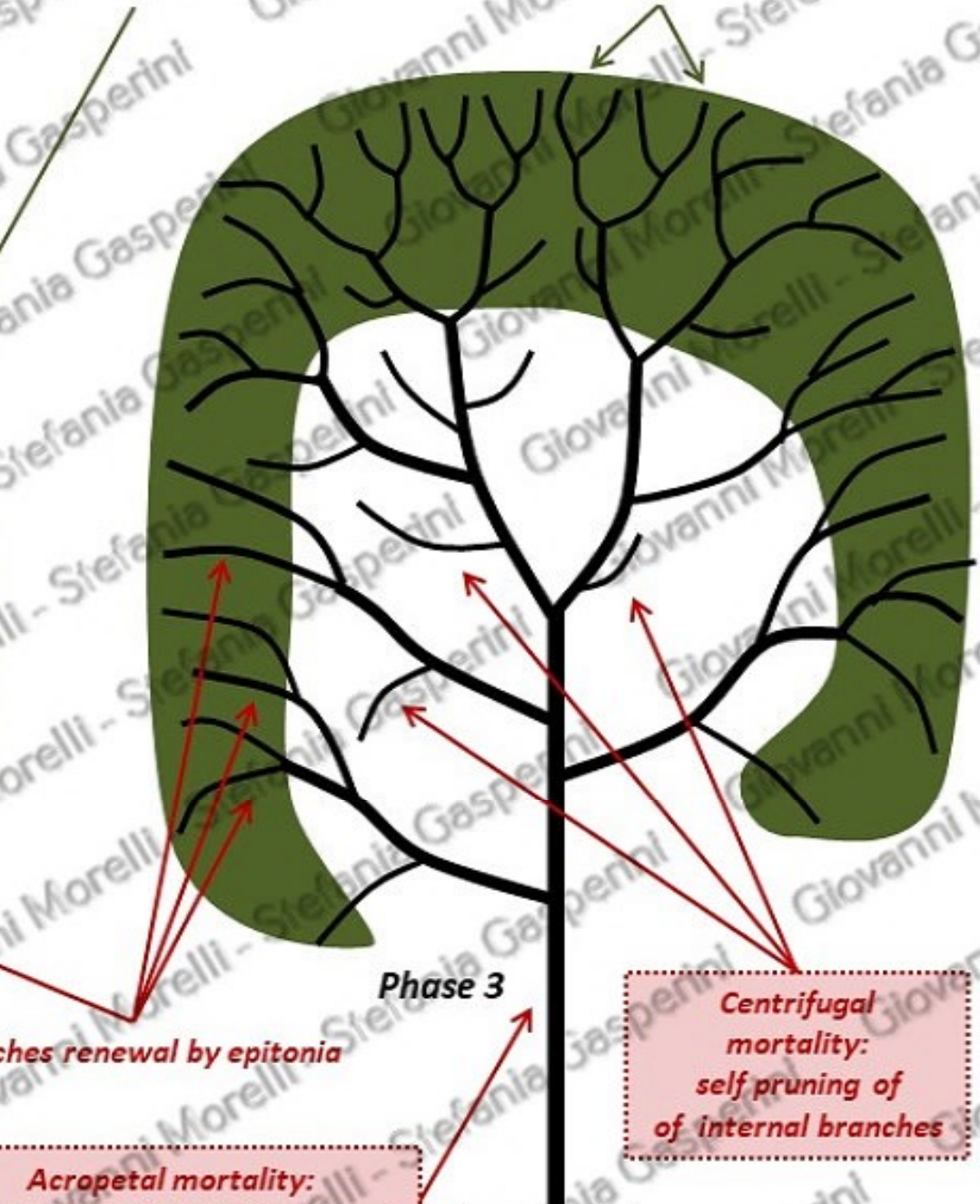


Crown evolution in polyarchy species (*Tilia sp.*): from Stage 1 to Stage 8



Isotonia (total reiteration) vigorous growth

Residual isotonia (partial reiteration) vigorous growth

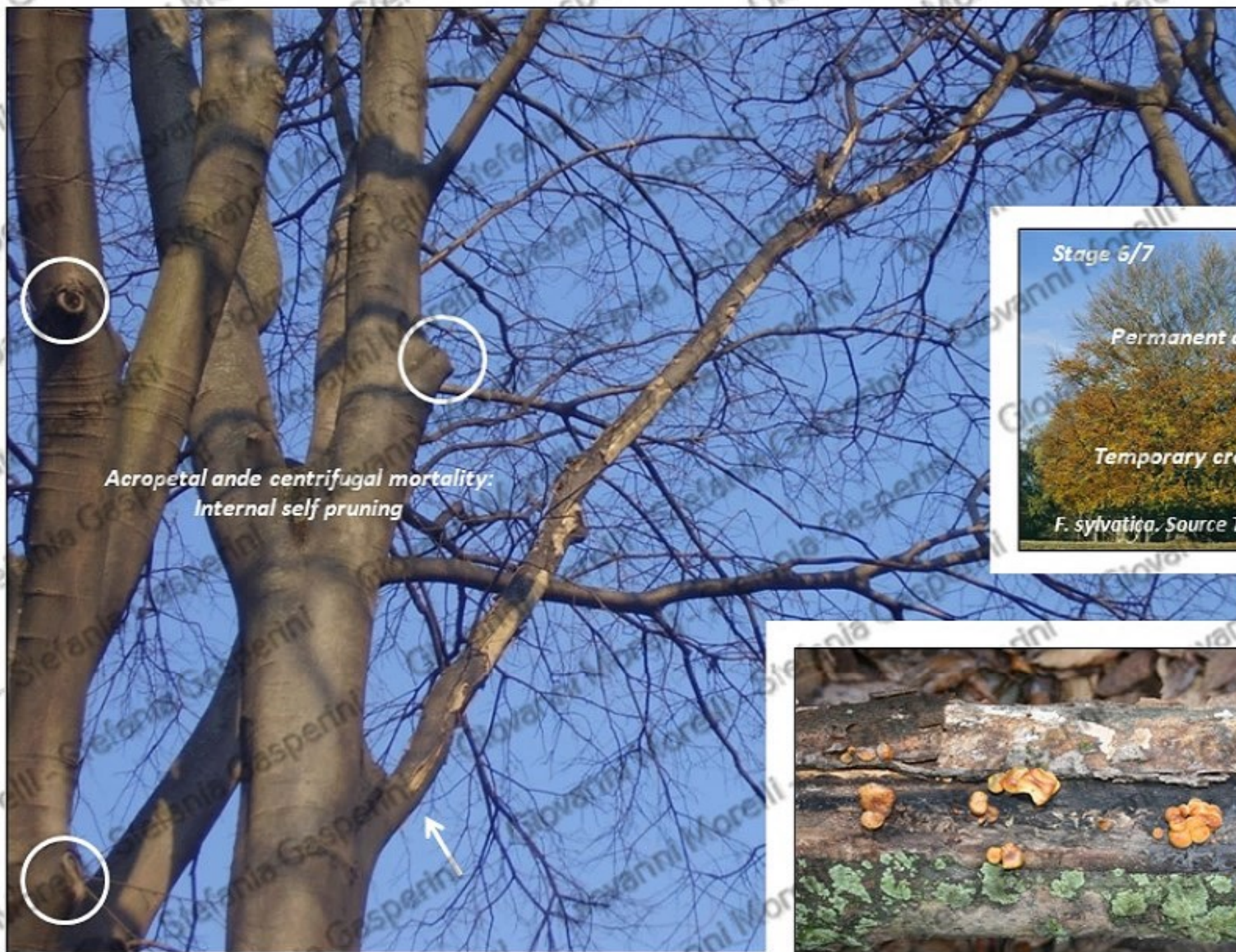


Stage 4

Stage 6

Stage 7

Crown centrifugal mortality (internal self pruning) from Stage 1 to Stage 8



Acropetal and centrifugal mortality:
Internal self pruning



Stage 6/7

Permanent crown

Temporary crown

F. sylvatica, Source T. Green

Collybia velutipes on *C. australis*, Milano

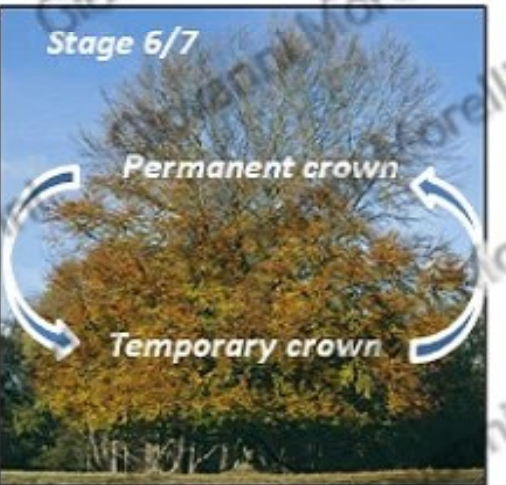
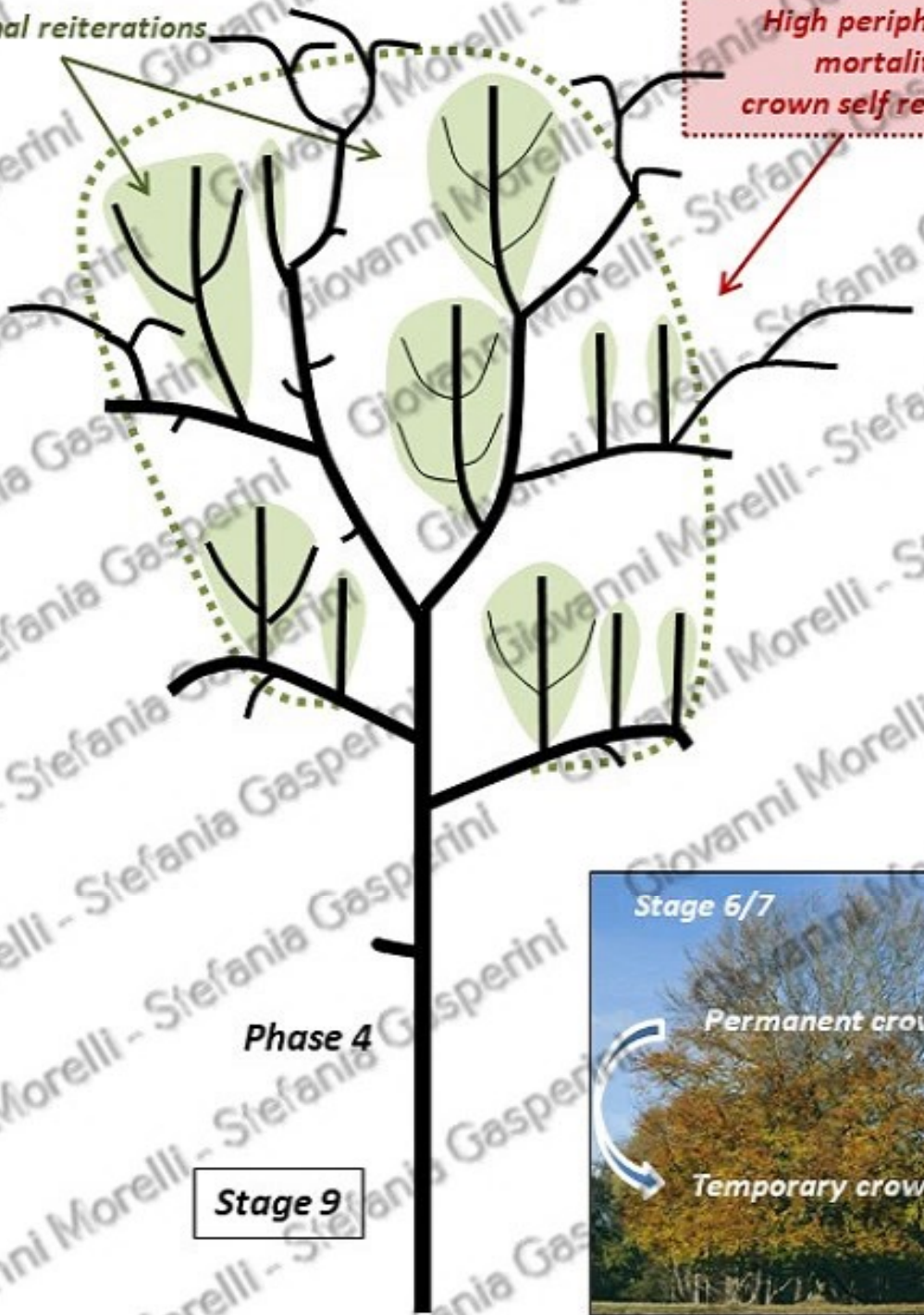


Crown evolution in polyarchy species (*Quercus* sp.): get to Stage 9 through physiological evolution

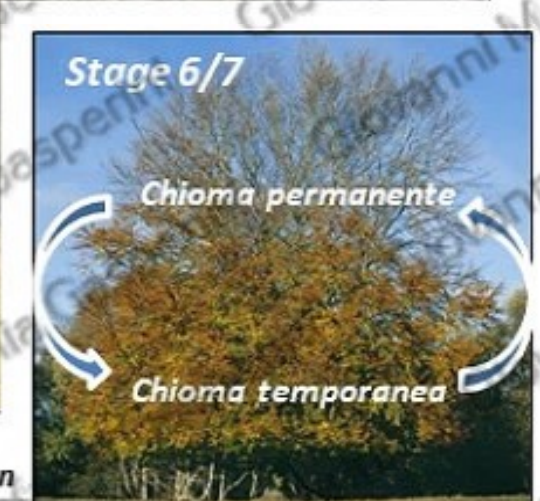
Internal reiterations

High peripheral mortality:
crown self reduction

Zone with strong hierarchy:
delayed total reiteration



Crown evolution in polyarchy species (Tilia sp.): get to Stage 9 after a trauma



F. sylvatica. Photo T. Green

F. sylvatica. Photo T. Green

Crown evolution in polyarchy species: get to Stage 9 through pathological evolution



Robinia pseudoacacia. Fonte G. Morelli



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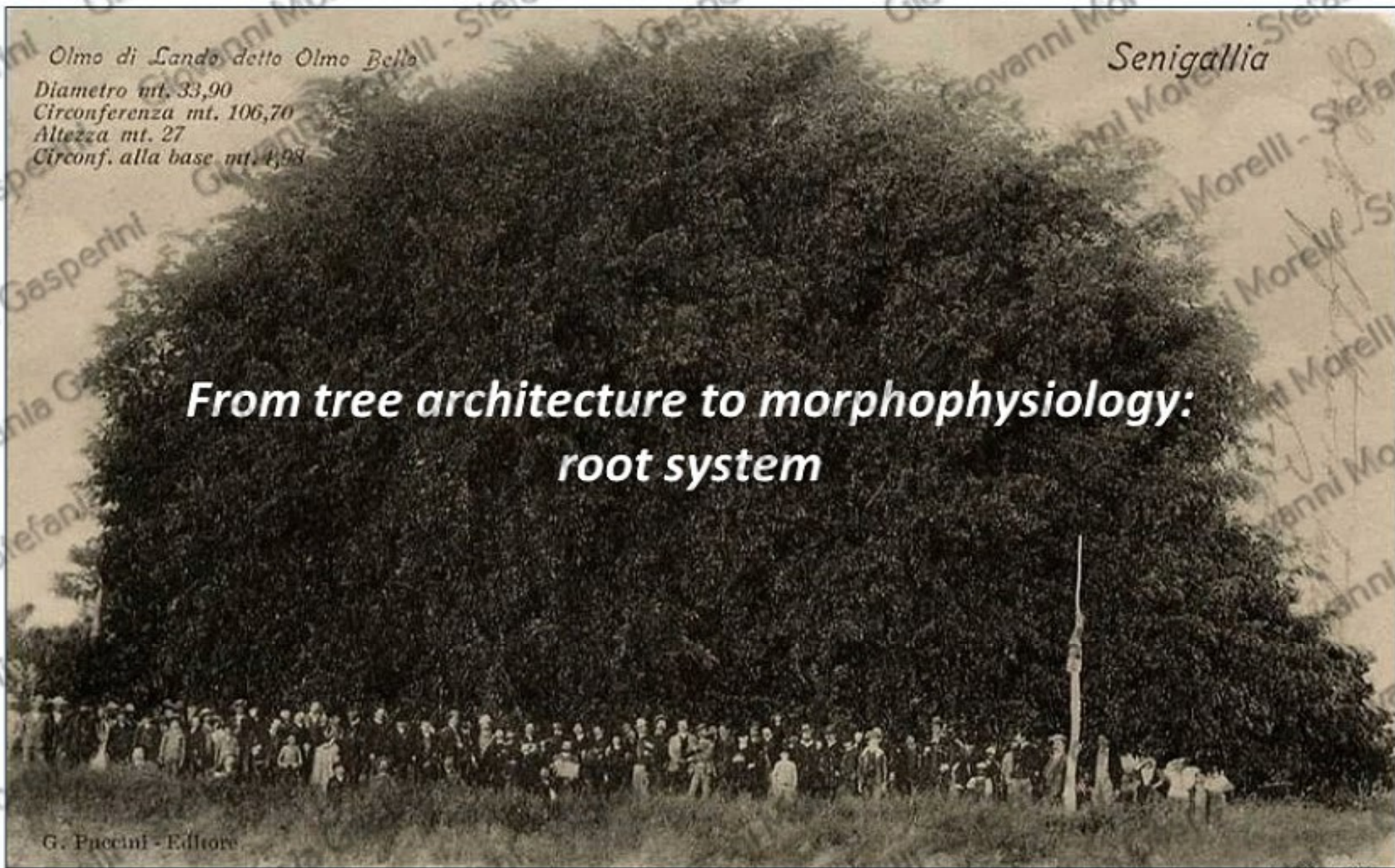
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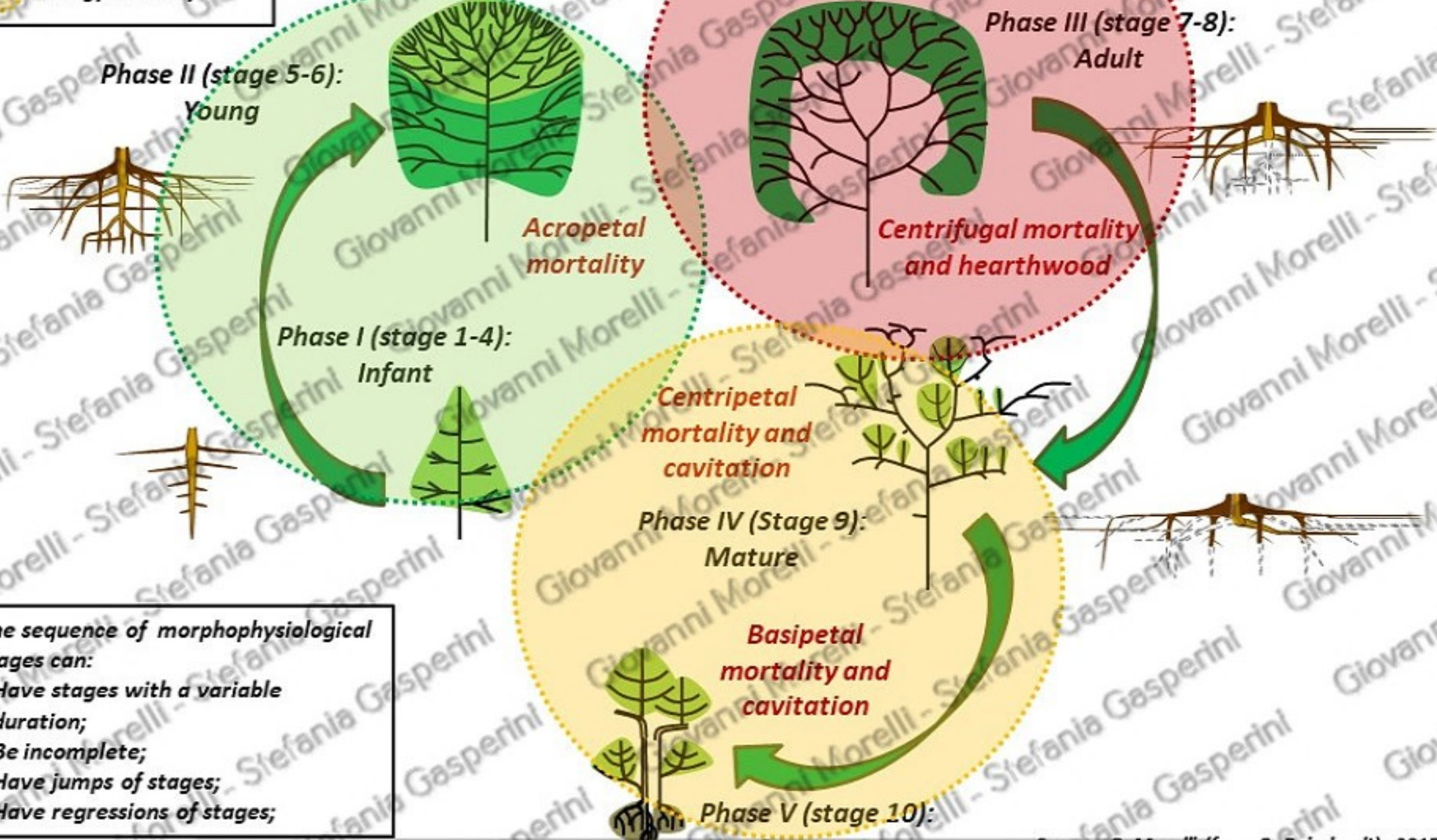
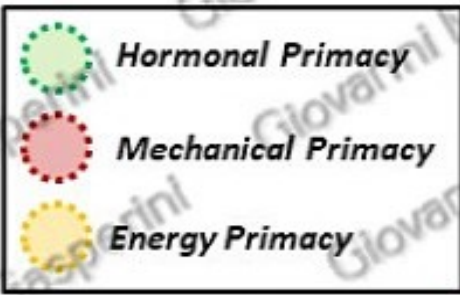
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***From tree architecture to morphophysiology:
root system***

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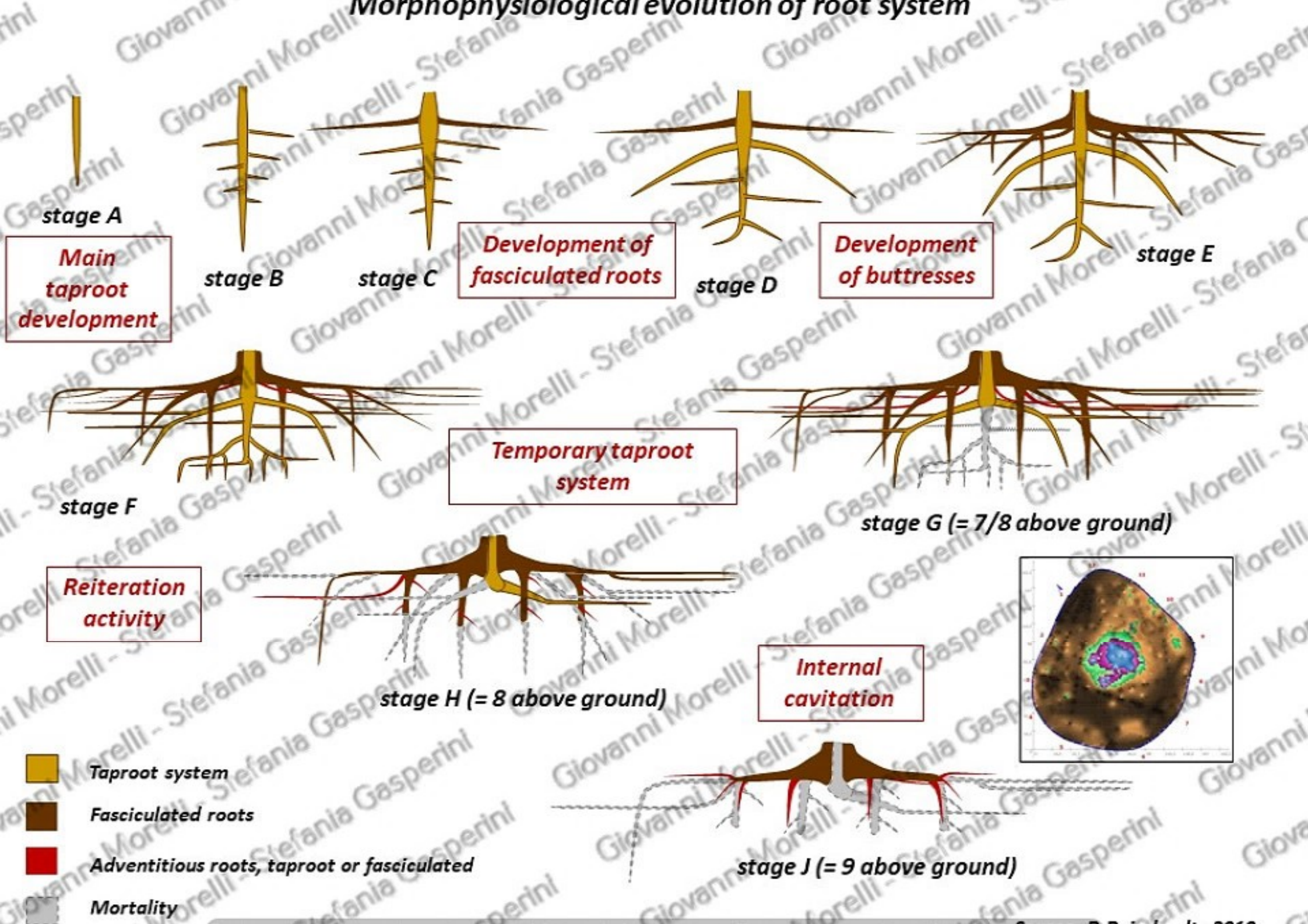
From balance to form: Phases and Stages of development in polyarchy species



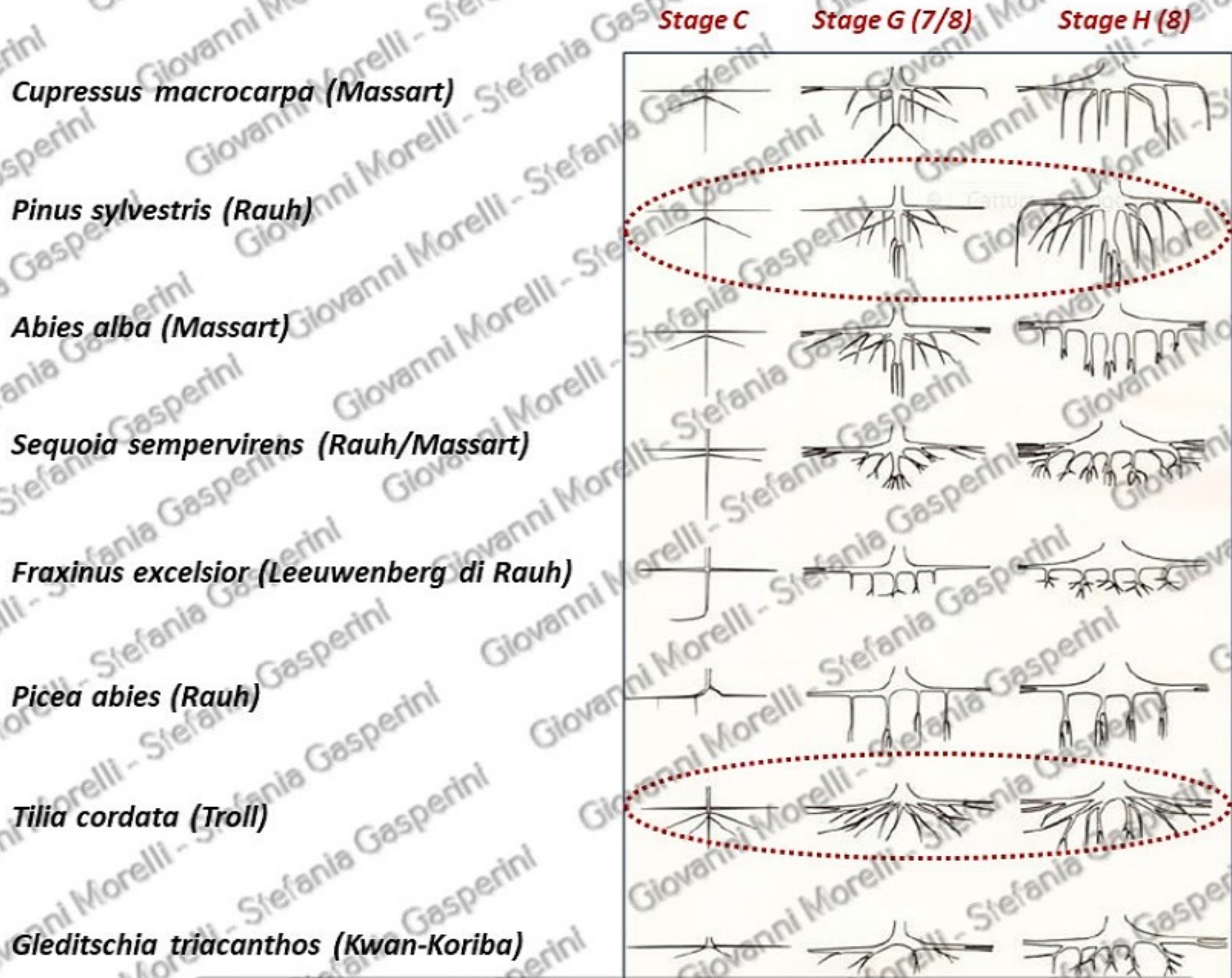
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Morphophysiological evolution of root system



Morphophysiological evolution of root system related to the species



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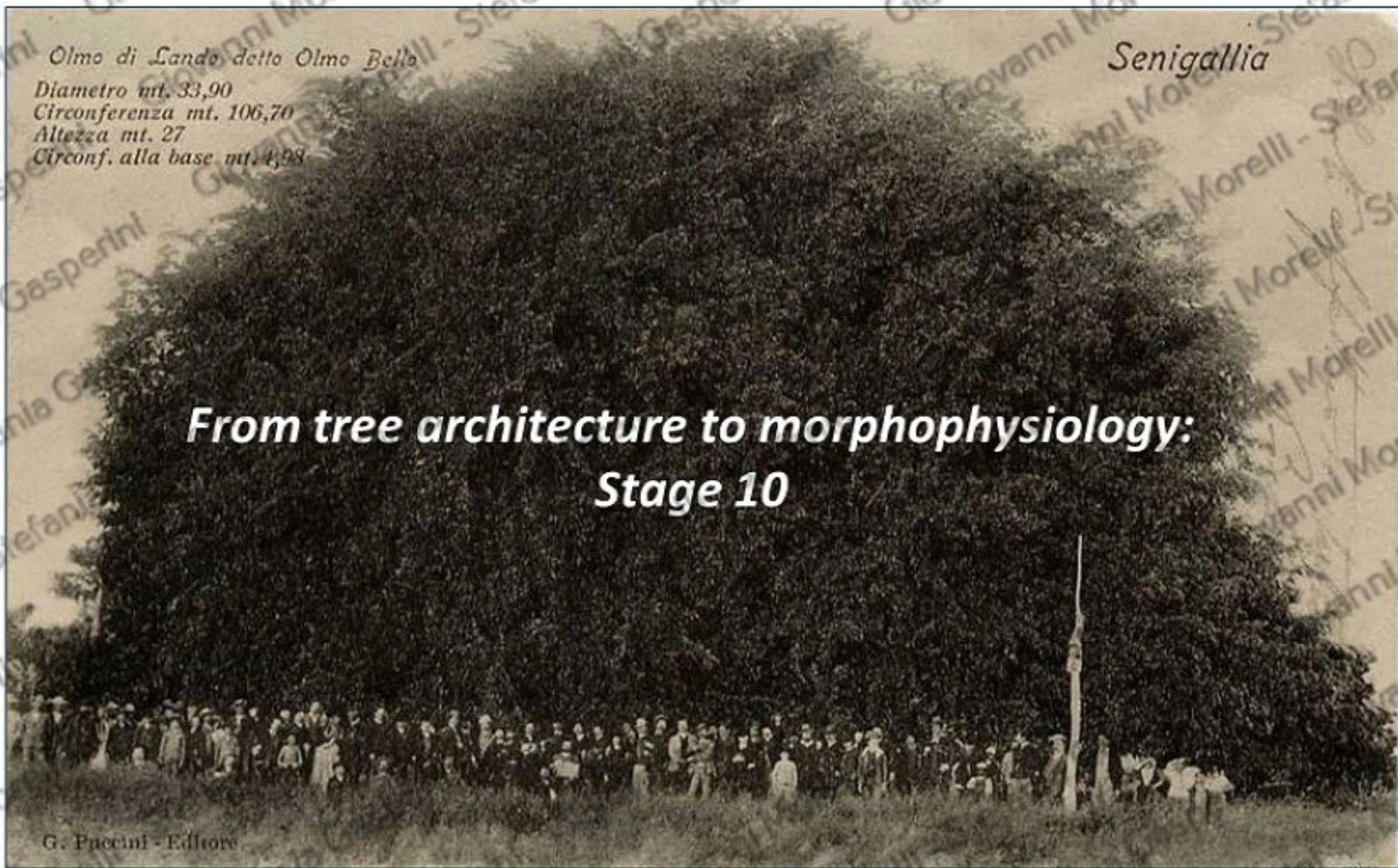
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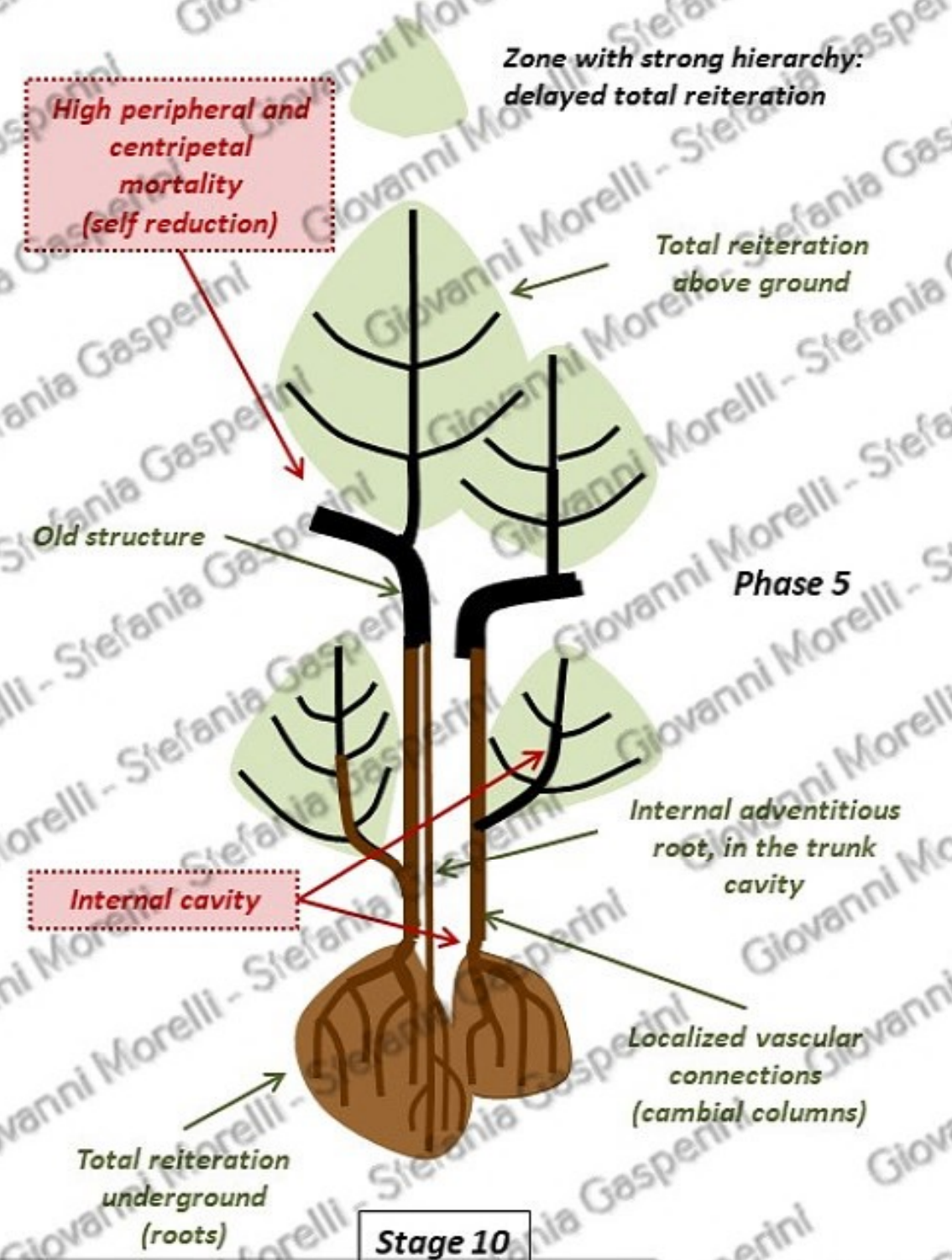
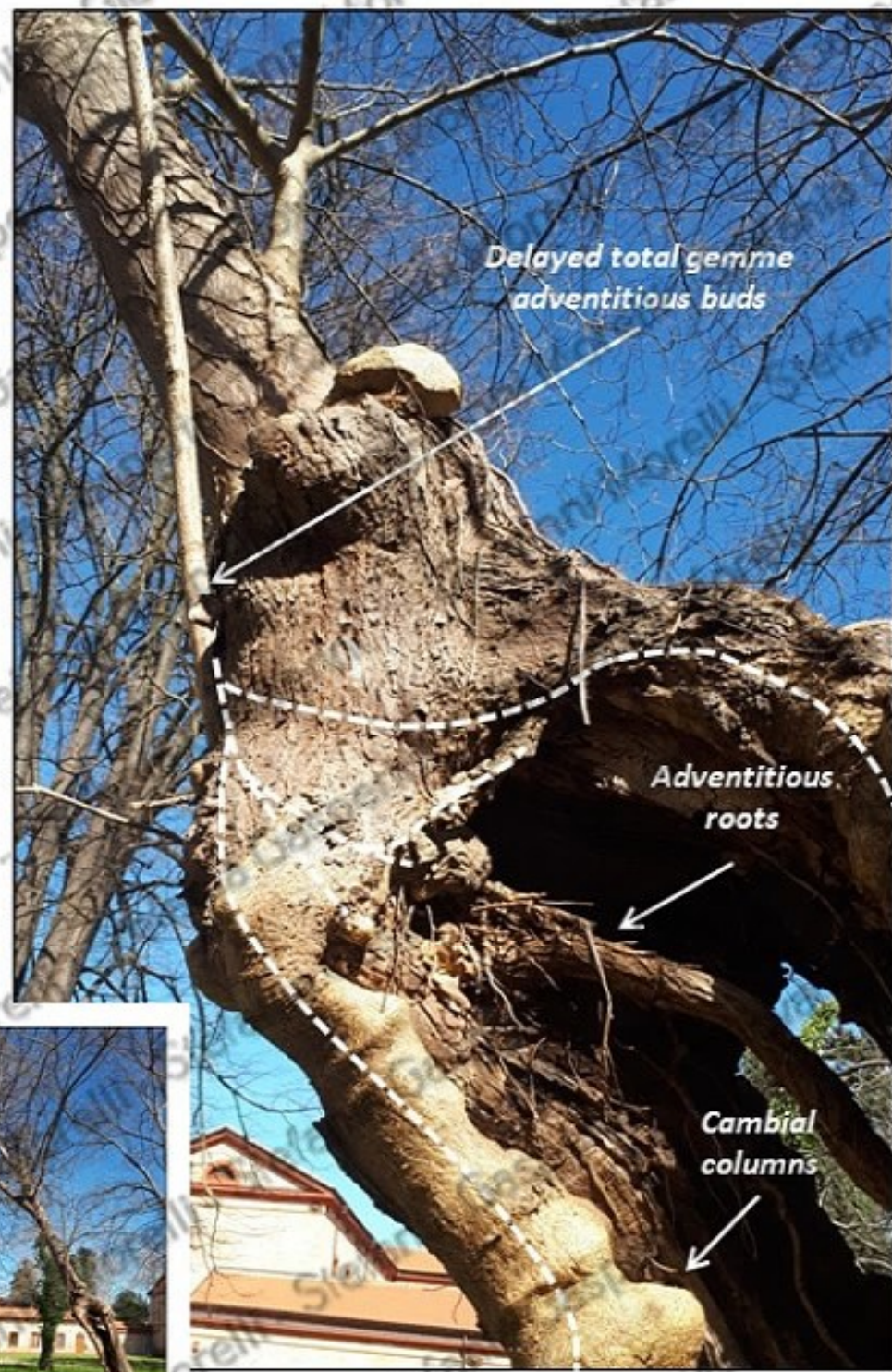
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***From tree architecture to morphophysiology:
Stage 10***

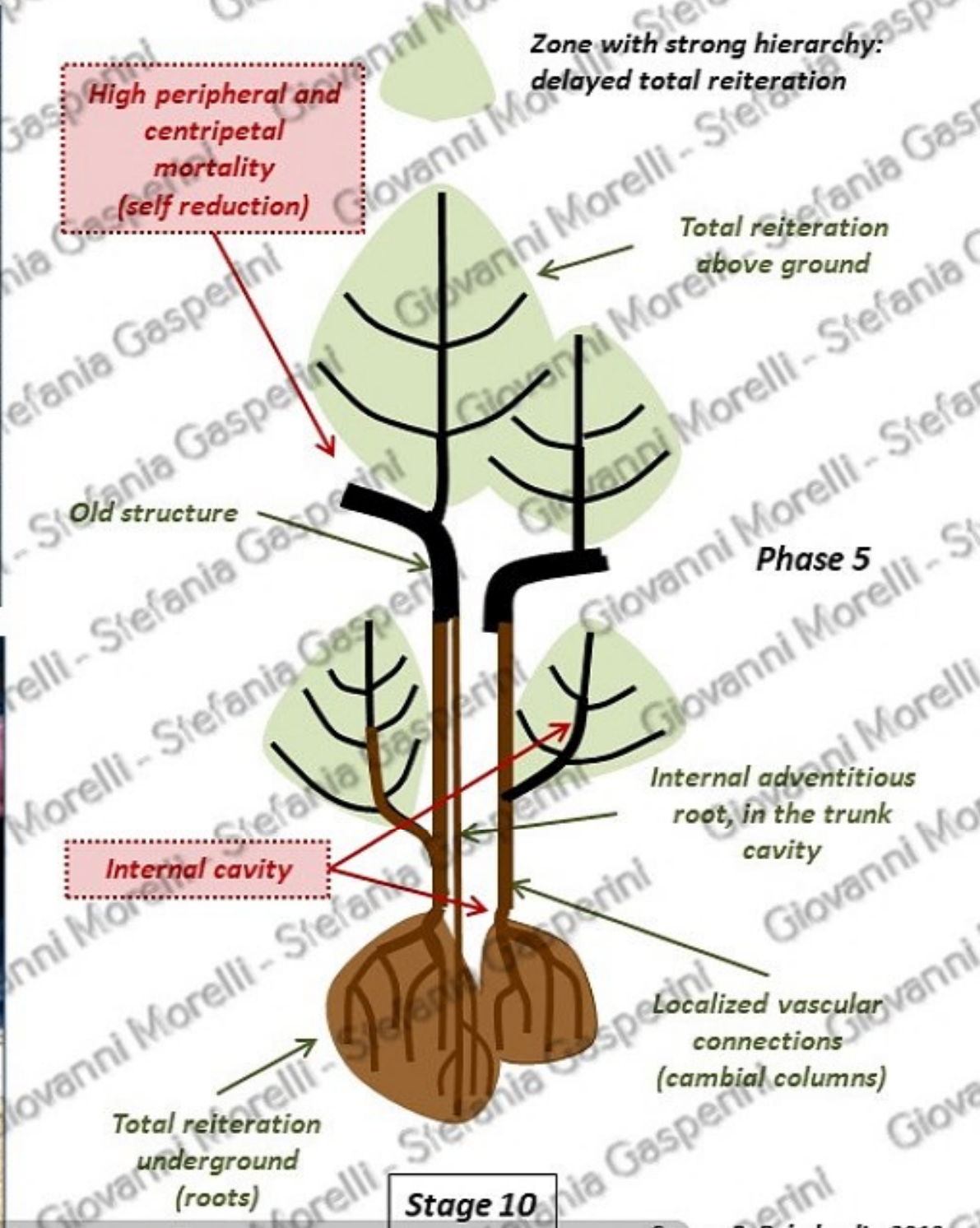
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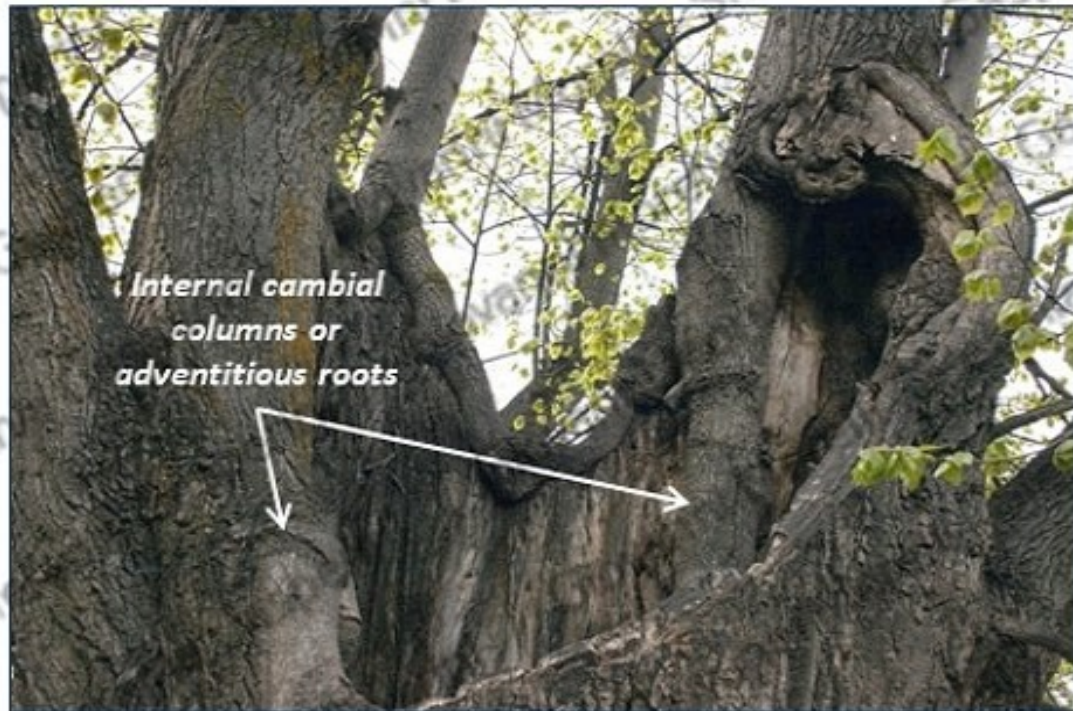
Tree evolution in polyarchy species: Stage 10 and reconstruction



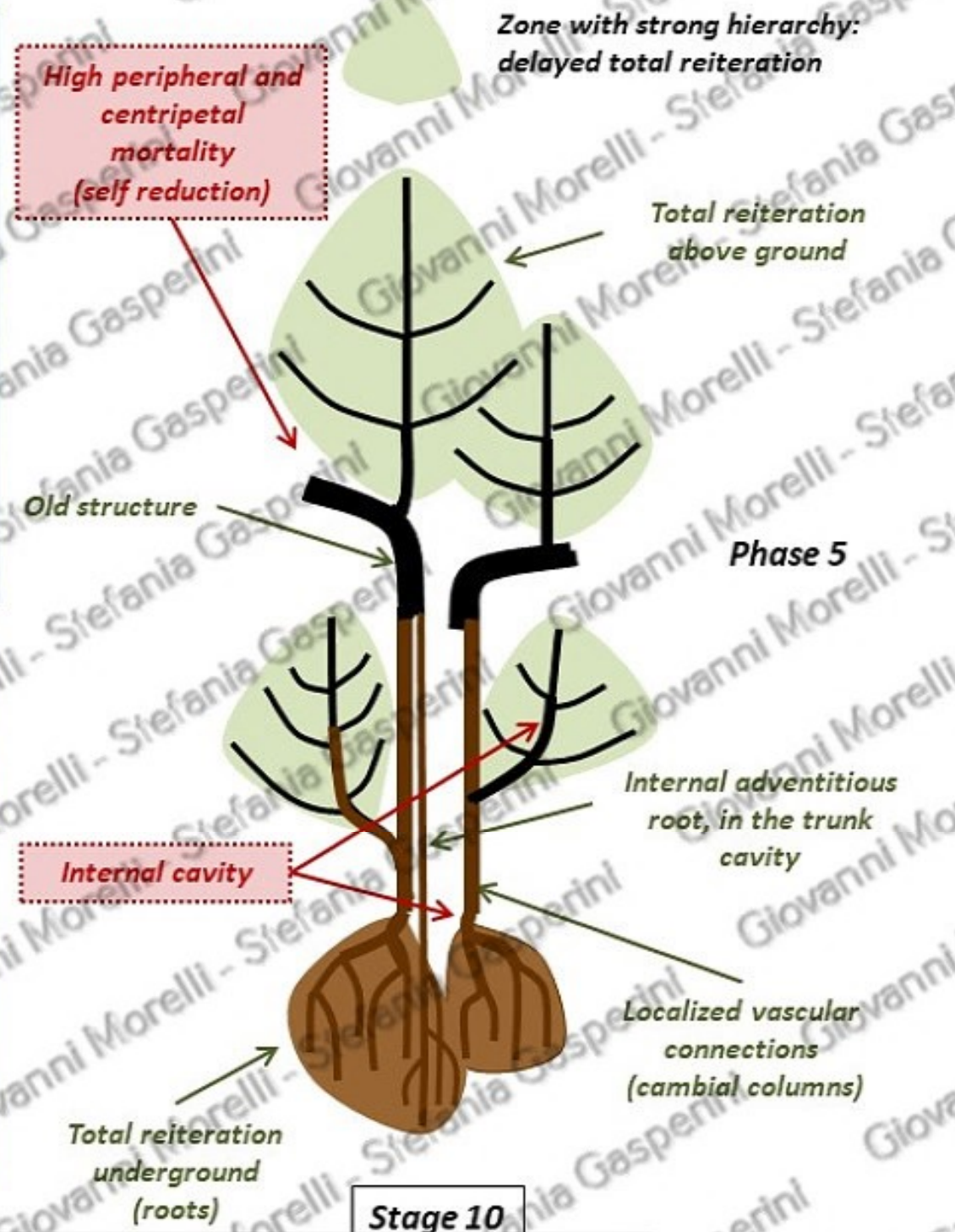
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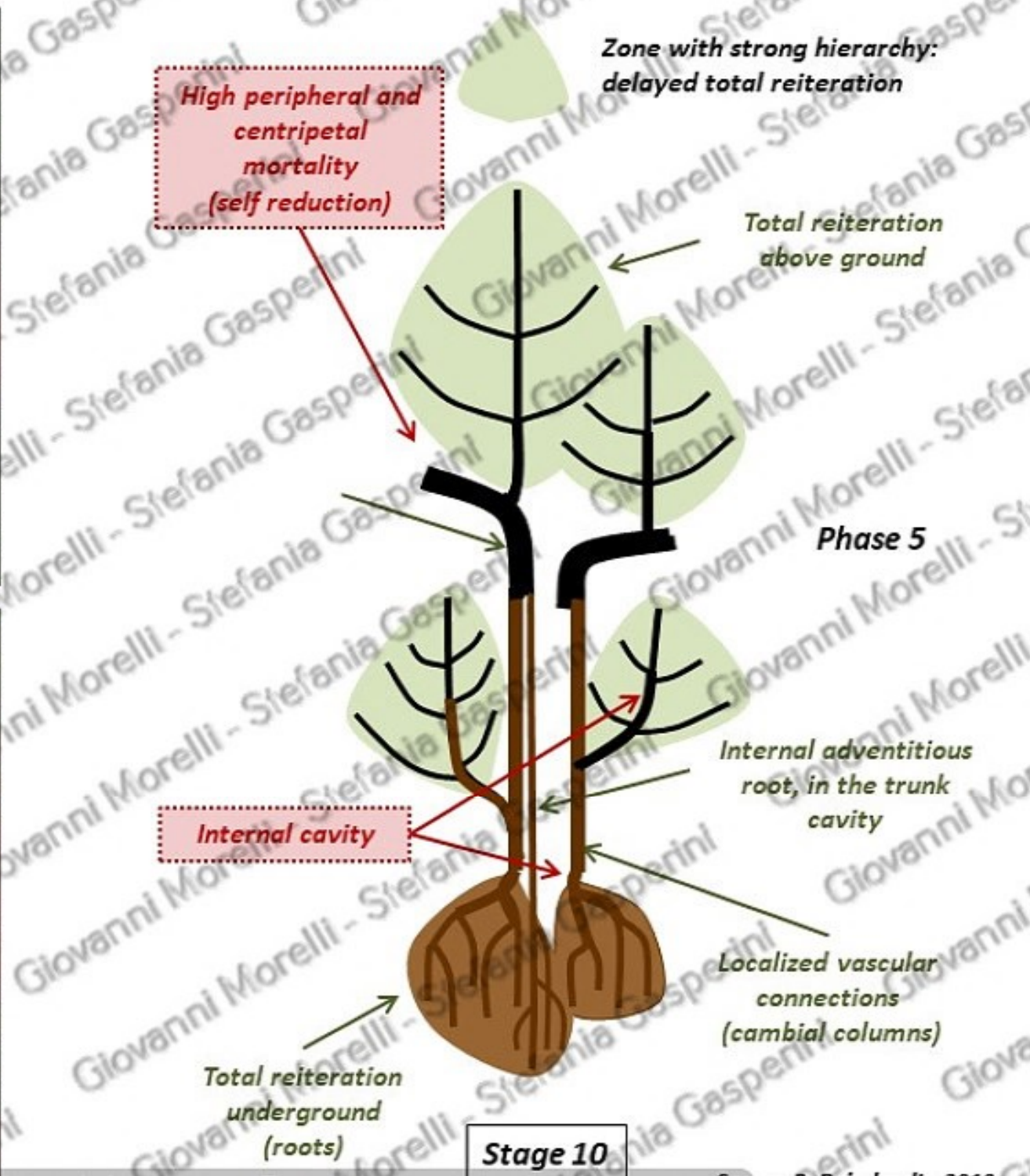
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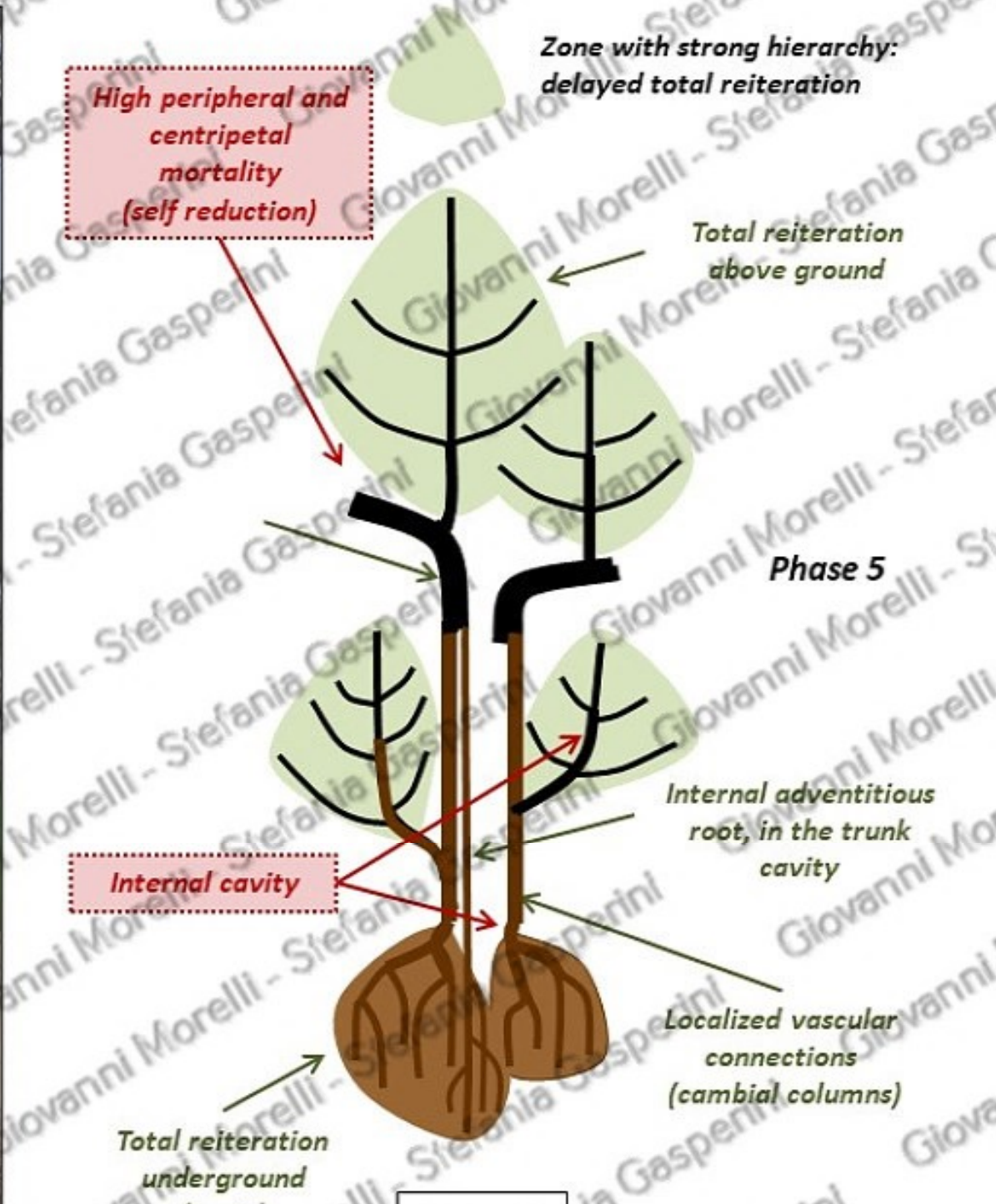
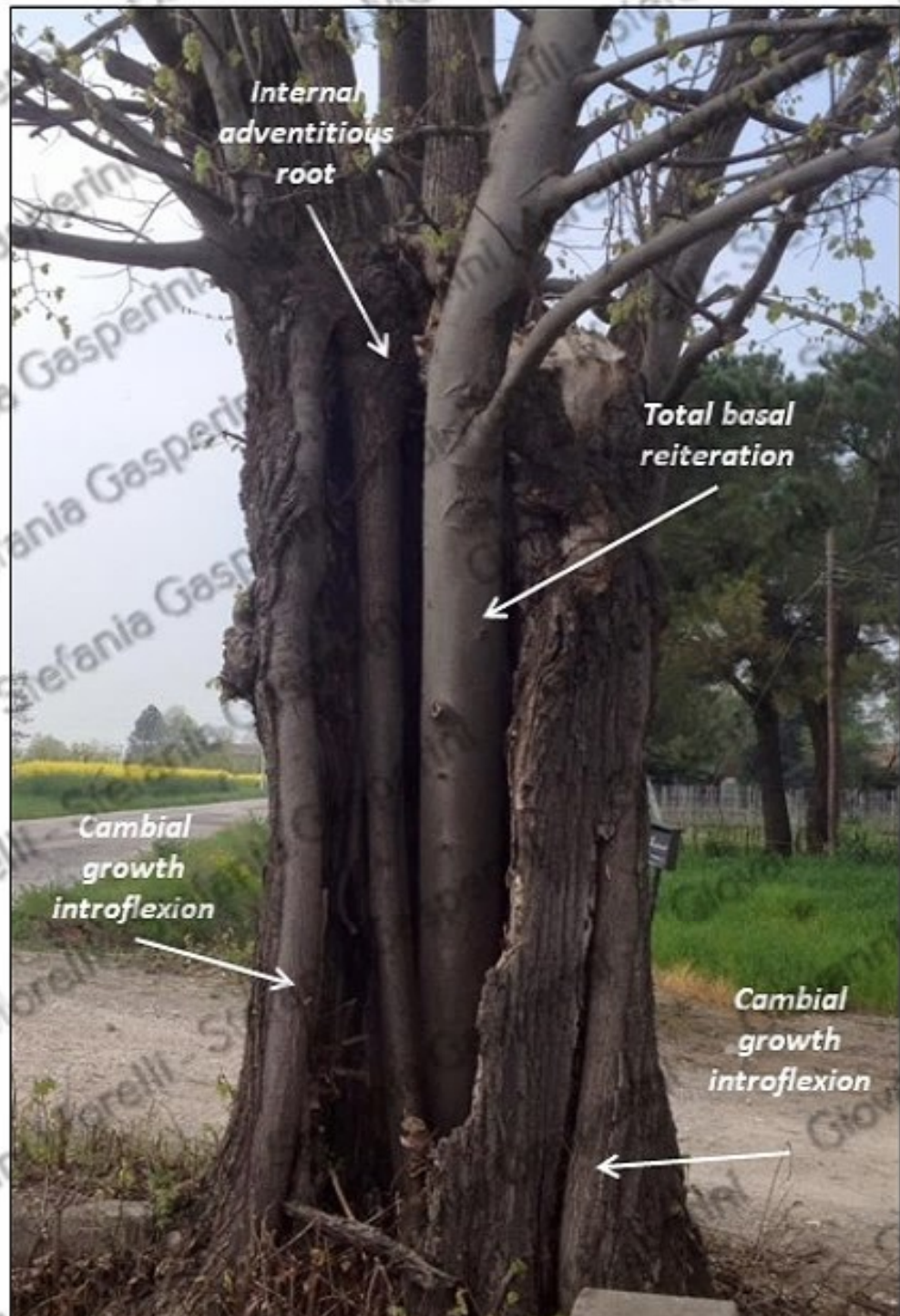
Tilia sp. Photo G. Morelli



Tree evolution in polyarchy species: Stage 10 and reconstruction



Tree evolution in polyarchy species: Stage 1 and reconstruction 0



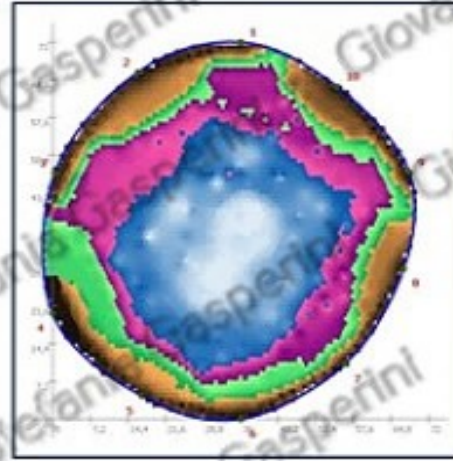
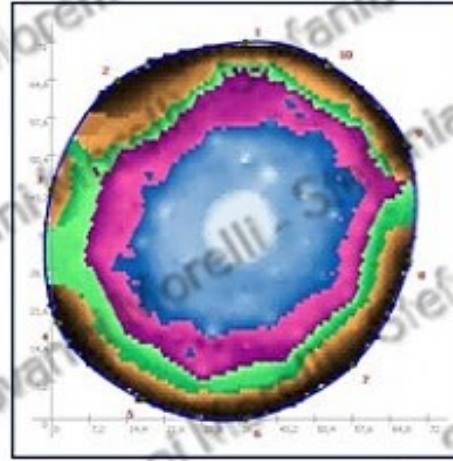
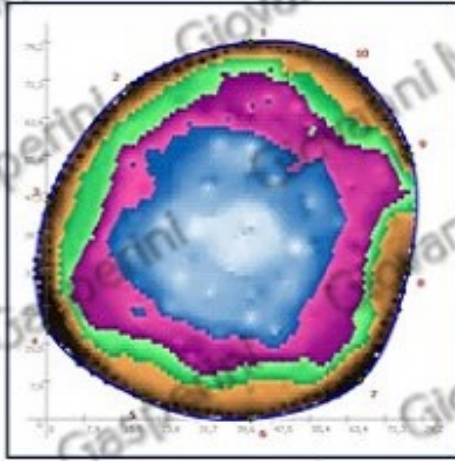
The reintegration of the individual: cavity, cambial columns and cambial bridges

70 cm high

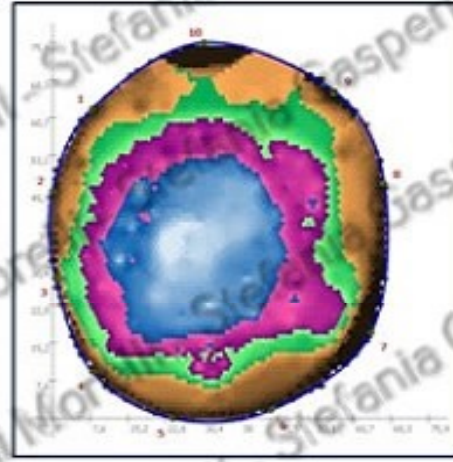
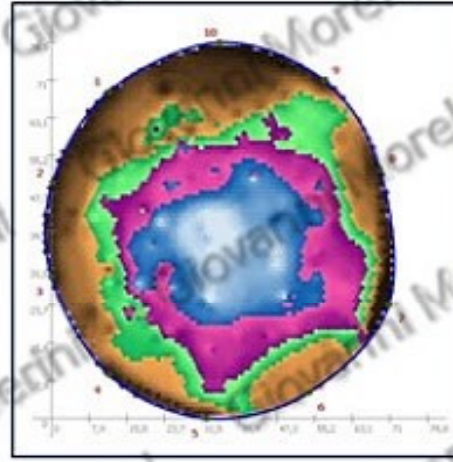
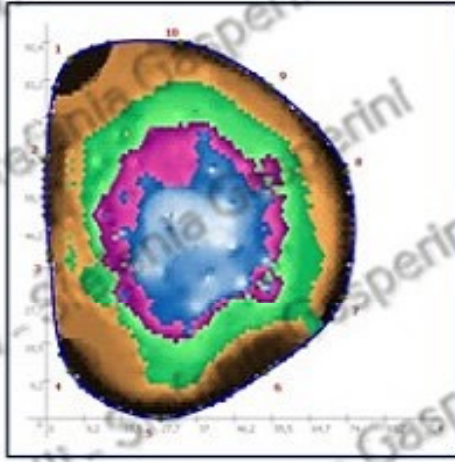
140 cm high

210 cm high

2009



2014



Sound

Sound

Transition

Decay

Cavity



Tomograms of *Sophora japonica*; Piazza Capitaniato, Padova



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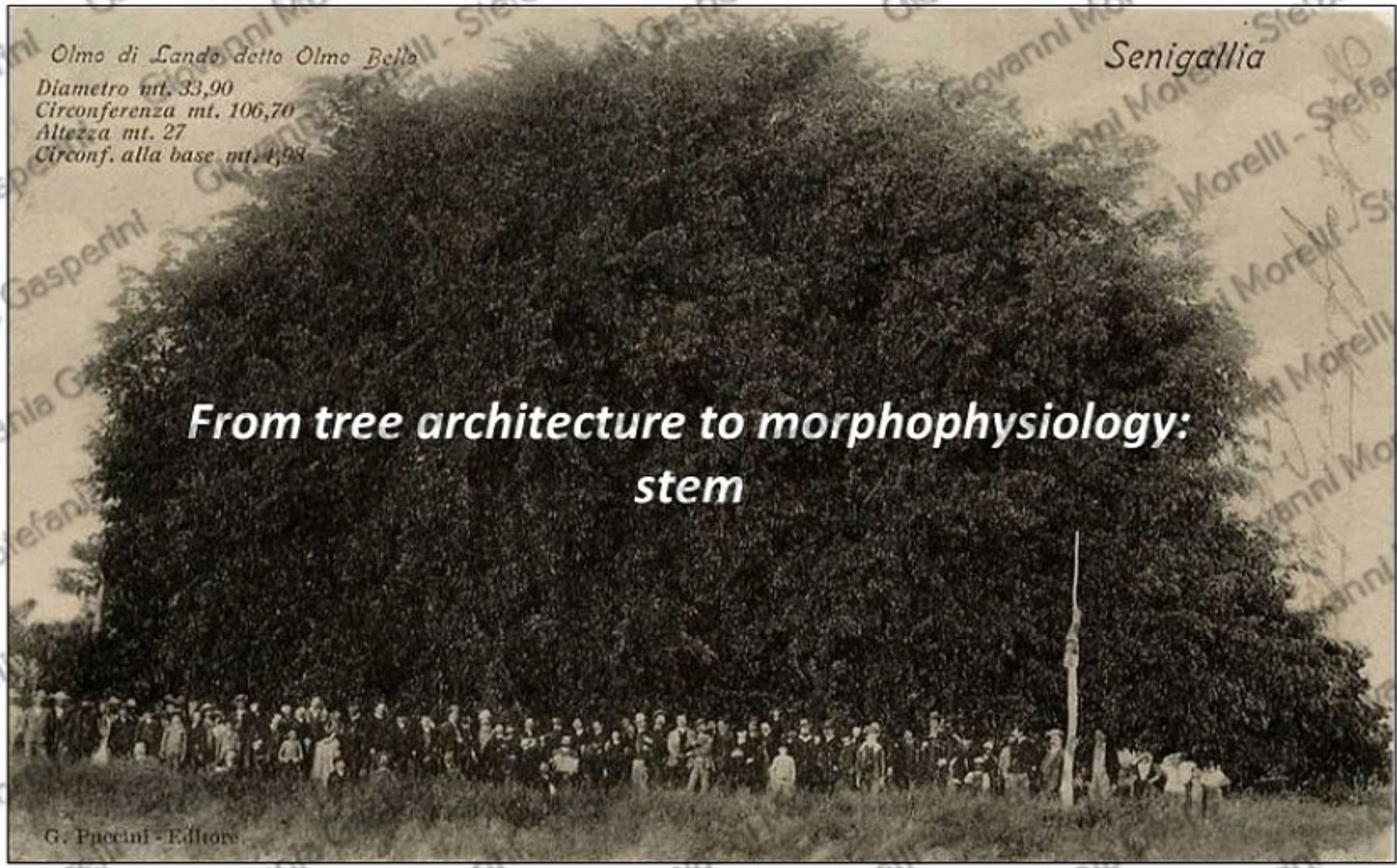
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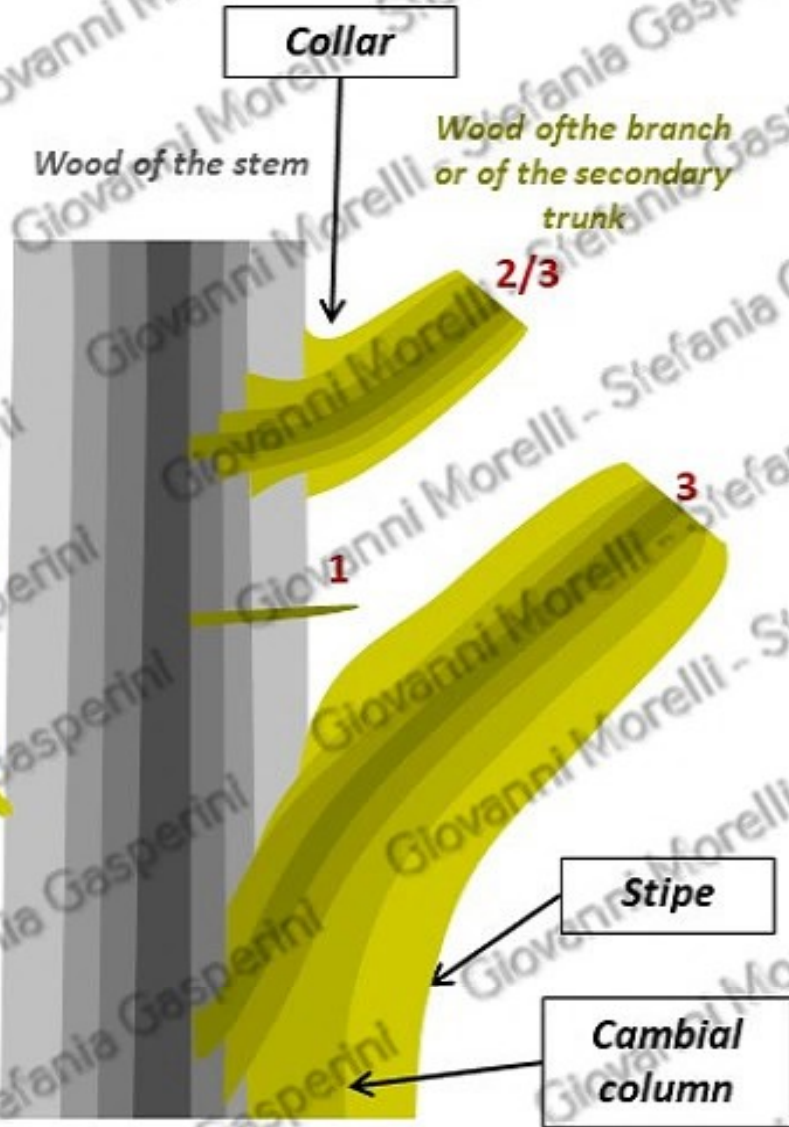
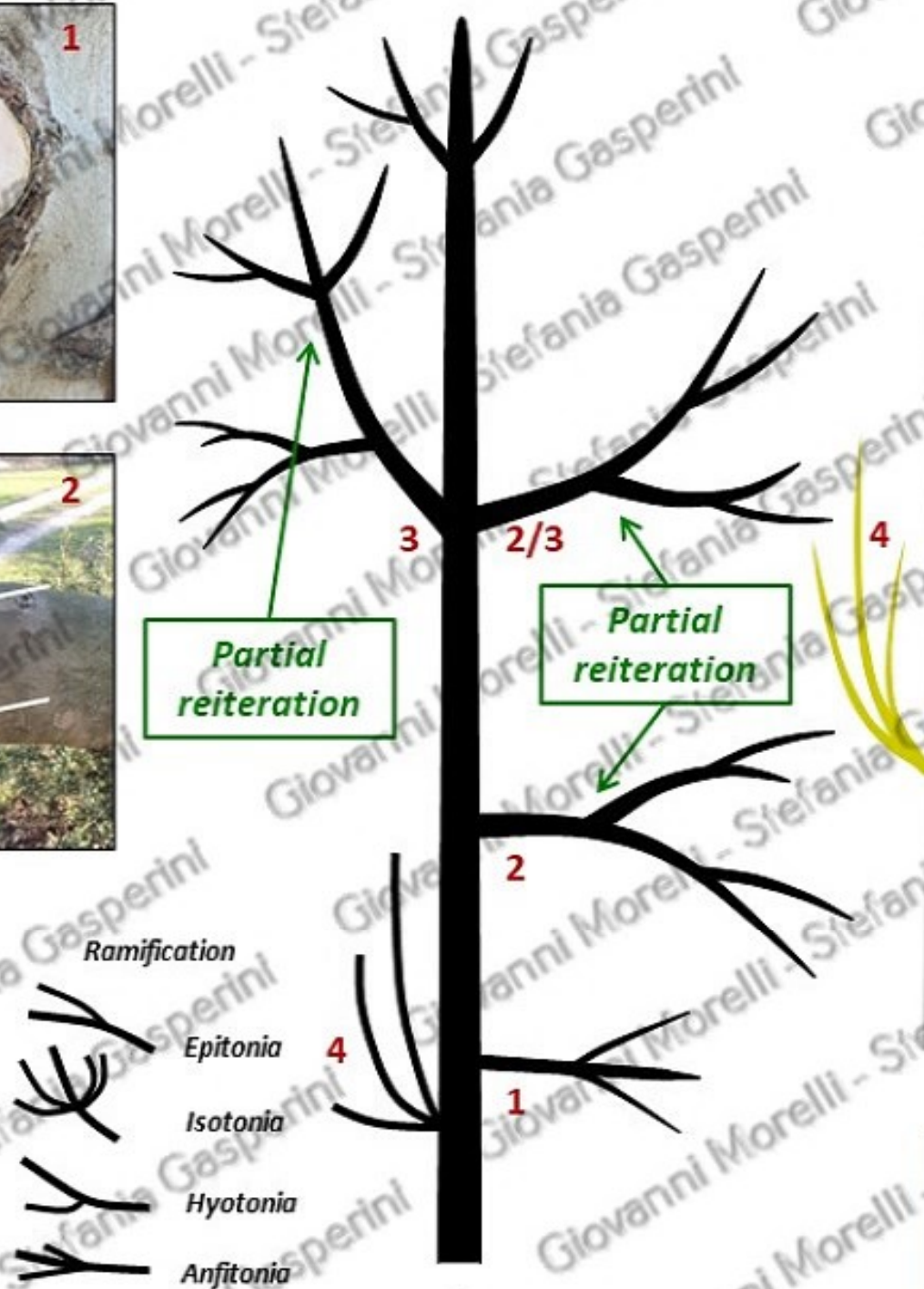
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***From tree architecture to morphophysiology:
stem***

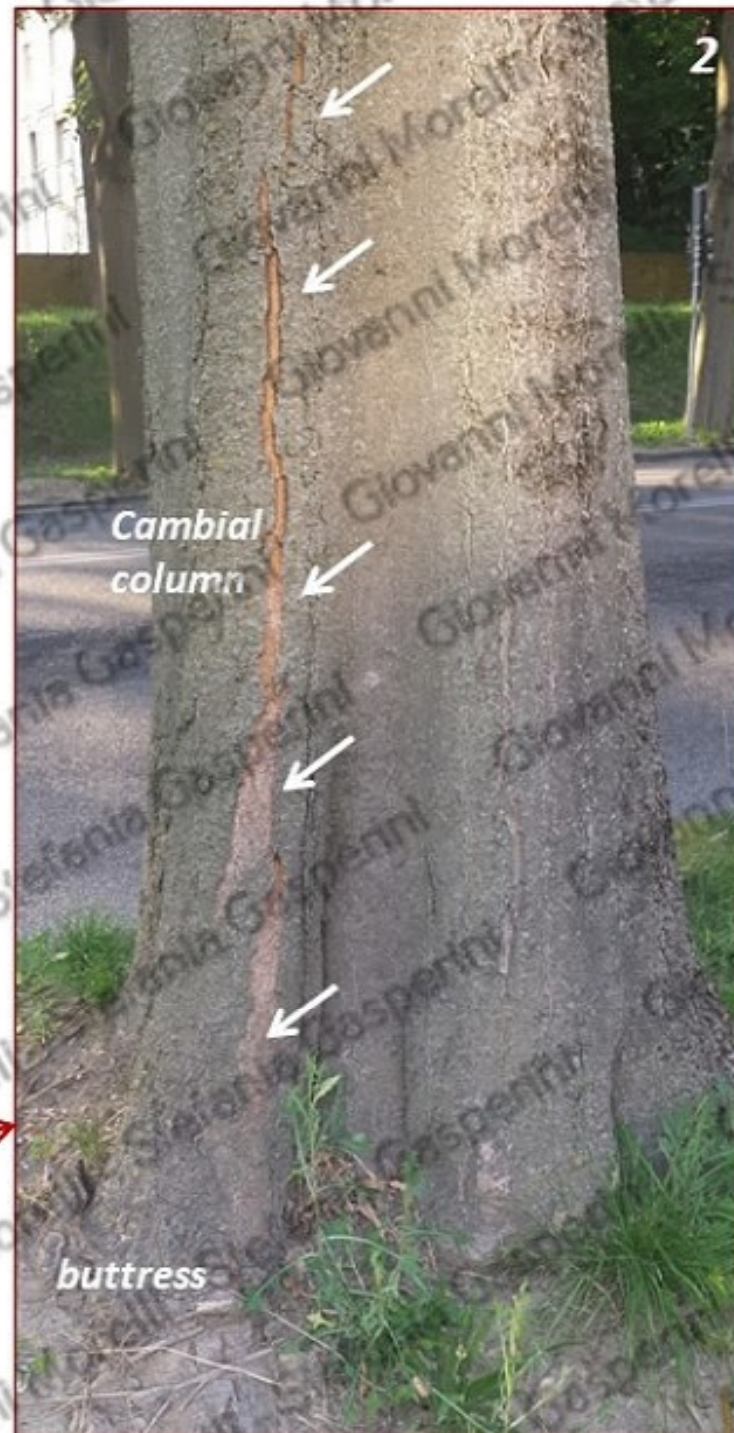
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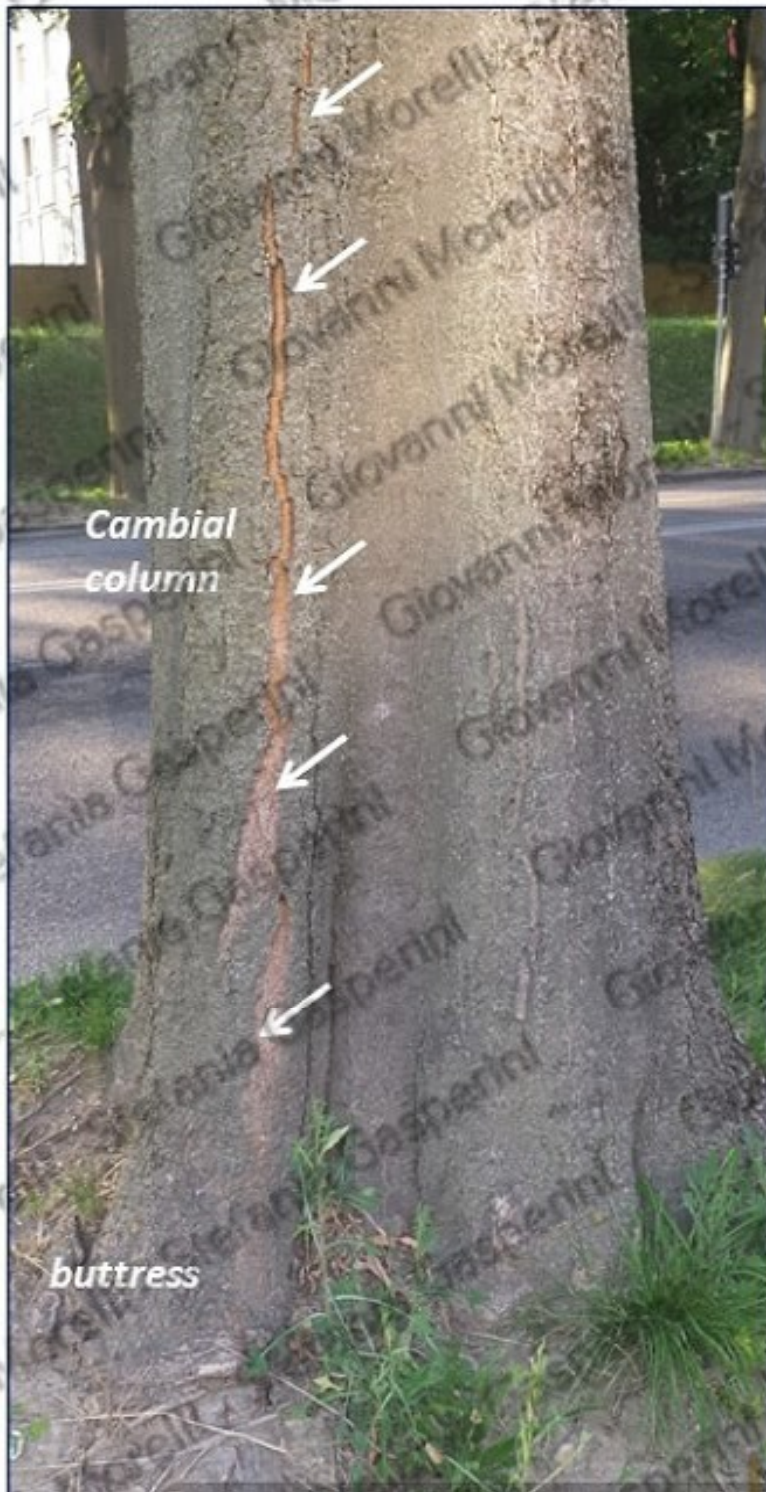
Hierarchy of ramification and connection with the stem



Secondary trunks and stem morphology: cambial columns



Secondary trunks and stem morphology: cambial columns



Celtis australis.
Photo
G. Morelli

Secondary trunks and stem morphology: cambial bridges



Connections as
bridges between
adjacent cambial
columns



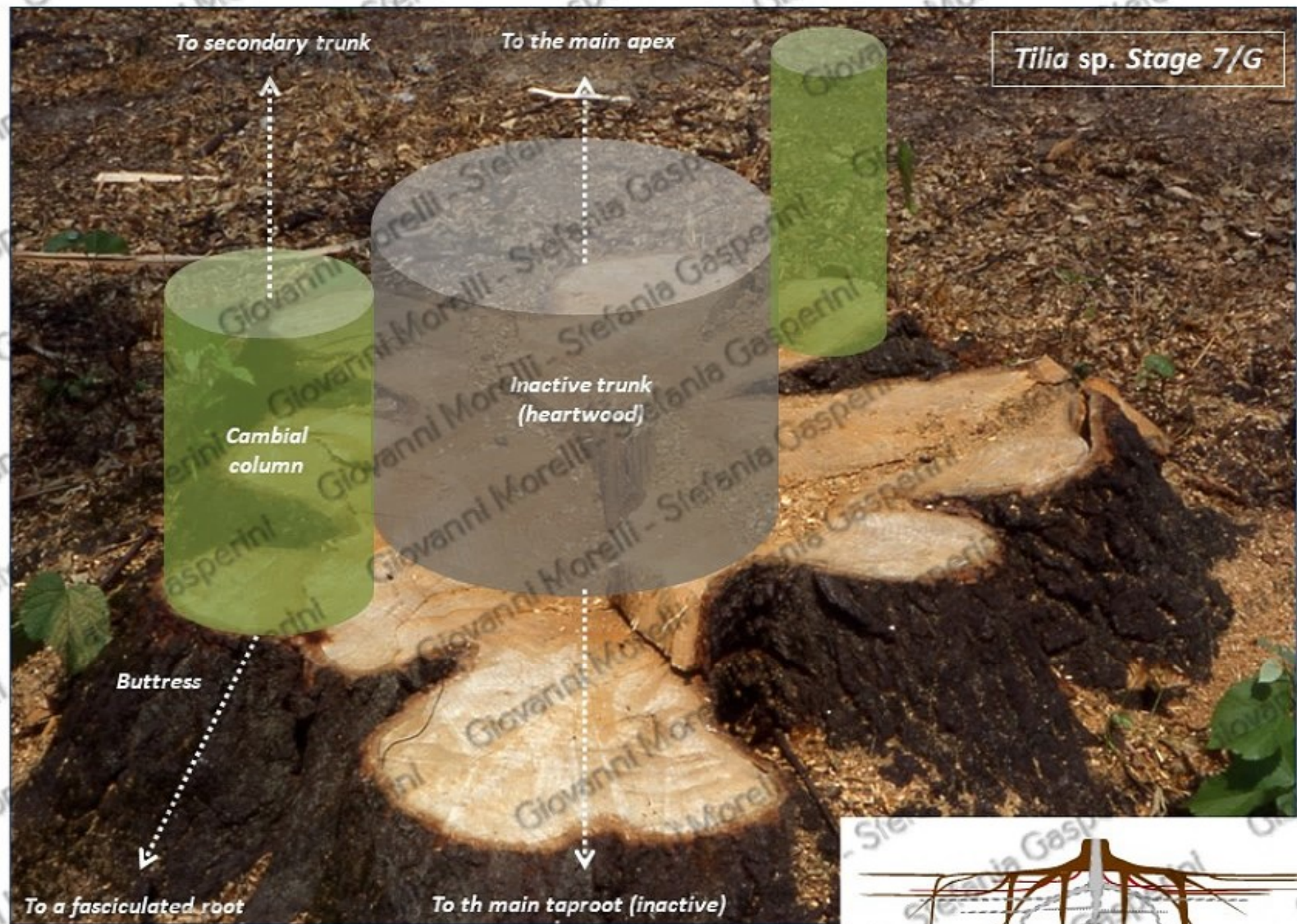
Aesculus hippocastanum.
Photo G. Morelli



Celtis australis. Photo G. Morelli

Zelcova crenata. Photo C. A. Pavoni

Secondary trunks and stem morphology: buttresses

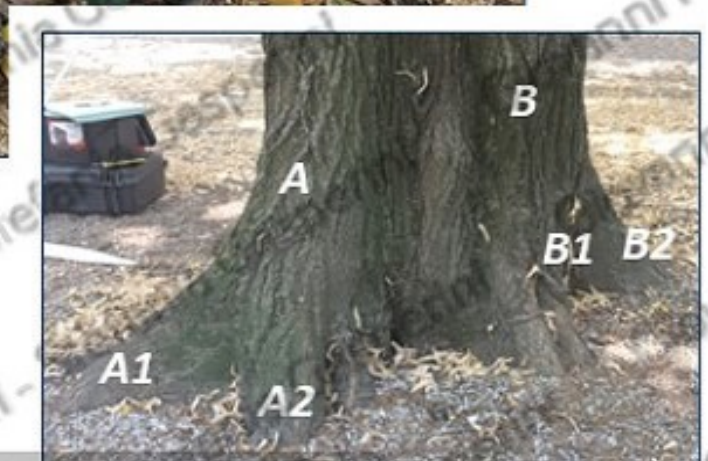


Tilia sp. Photo G. Morelli

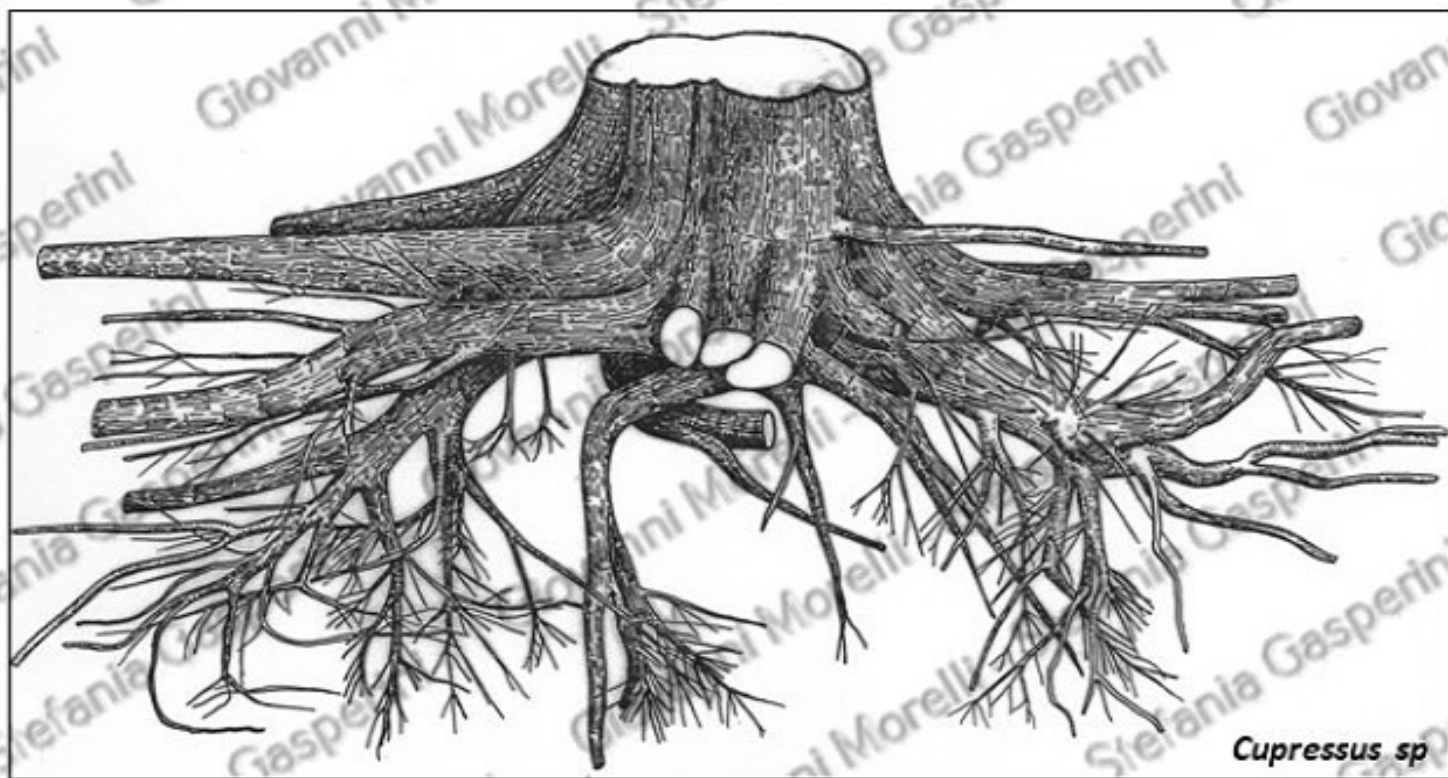


Secondary trunks and stem morphology: cavities





Tilia sp. Stage 8/J

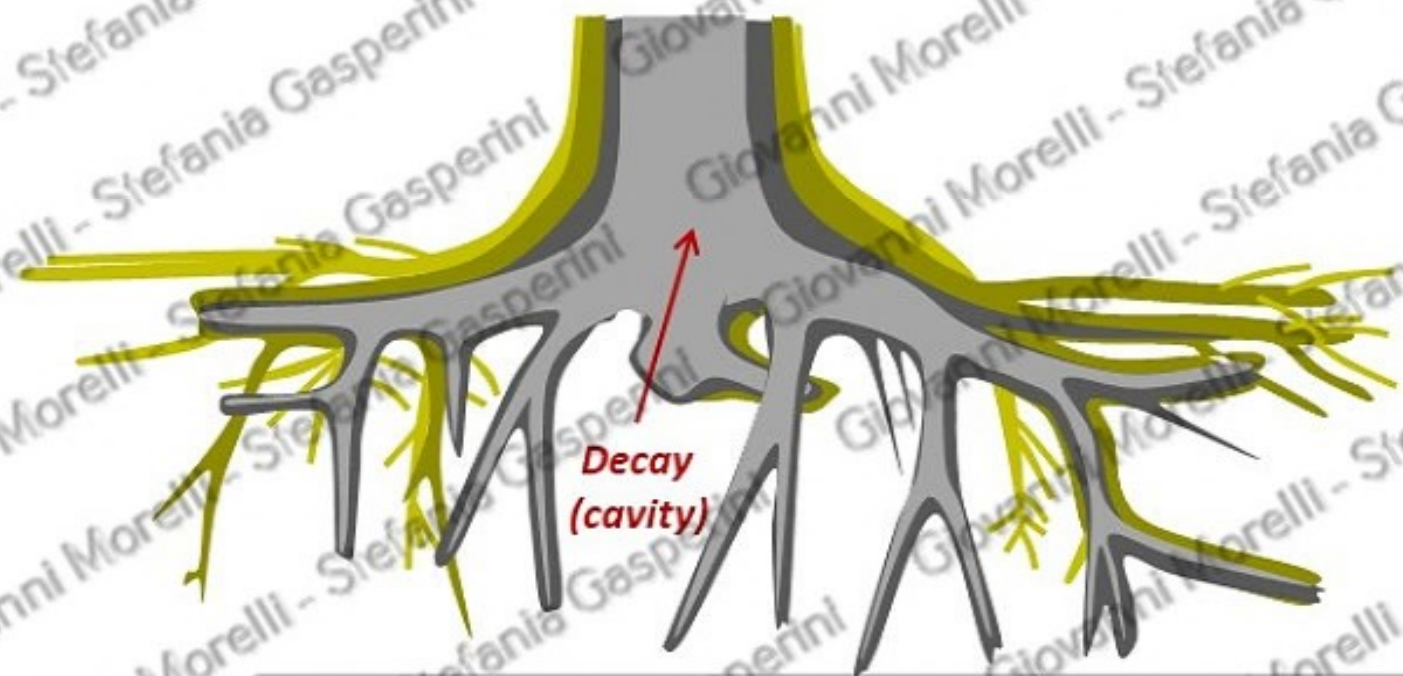


Organisation of cambium and heartwood formation: taproot, root flare and stem



Formazione of overlapped systems made by the cambium:

-  4° generation (vital/living)
-  3° generation (vital/living)
-  2° generation (inactive/dead)
-  1° generation (inactive/dead /decayed)



Each generation corresponds to one or more "streams" of total reiteration in the canopy

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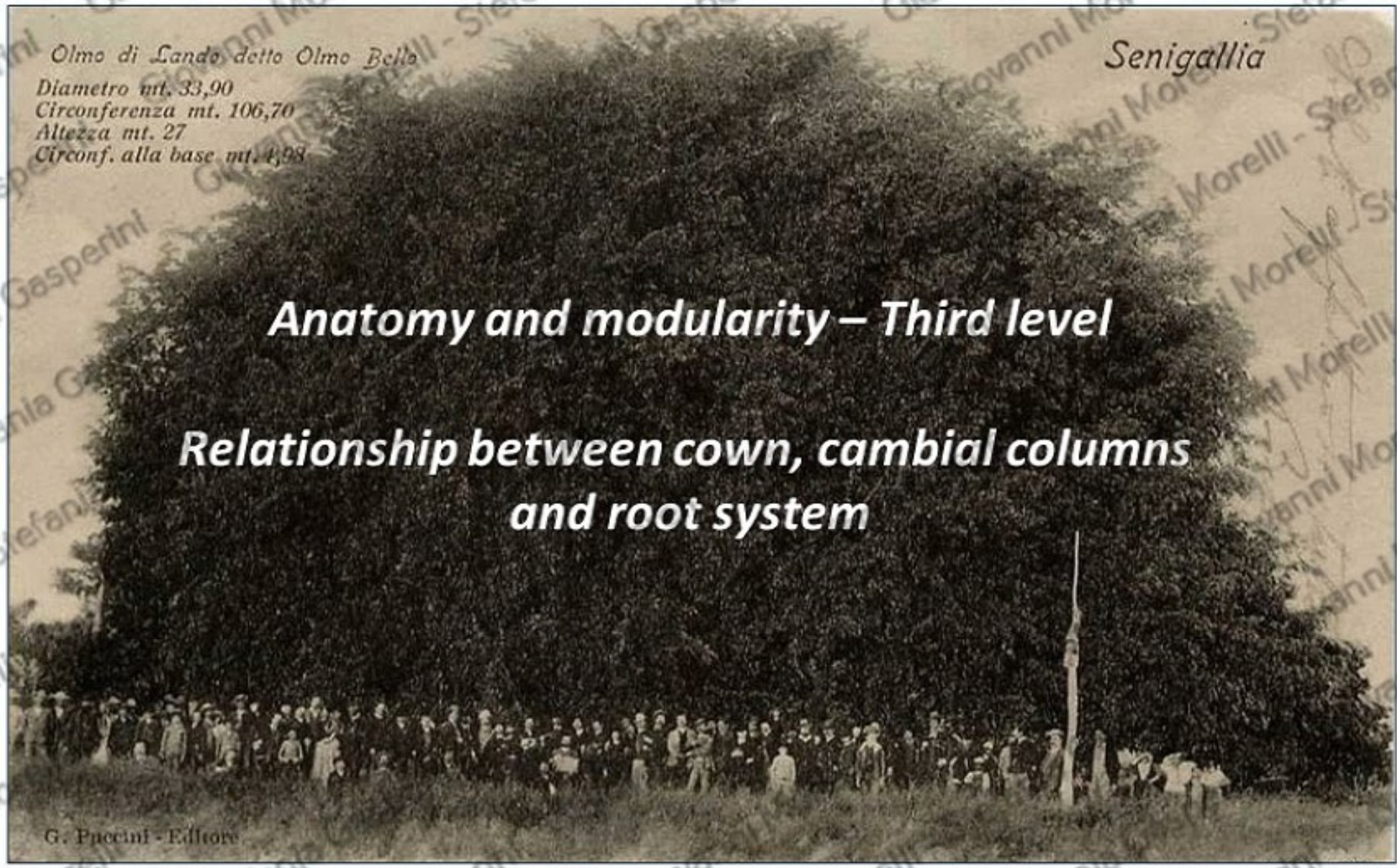
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Anatomy and modularity – Third level

***Relationship between crown, cambial columns
and root system***

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Morphophysiological analysis: relationship between crown, stem and roots in polyarchy species

Stage 3/C



Stage 6/F



Stage 7/G



Stage 9/J

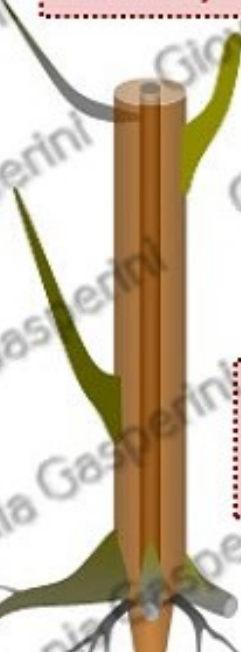


Acropetal mortality

Centrifugal mortality

Centripetal mortality

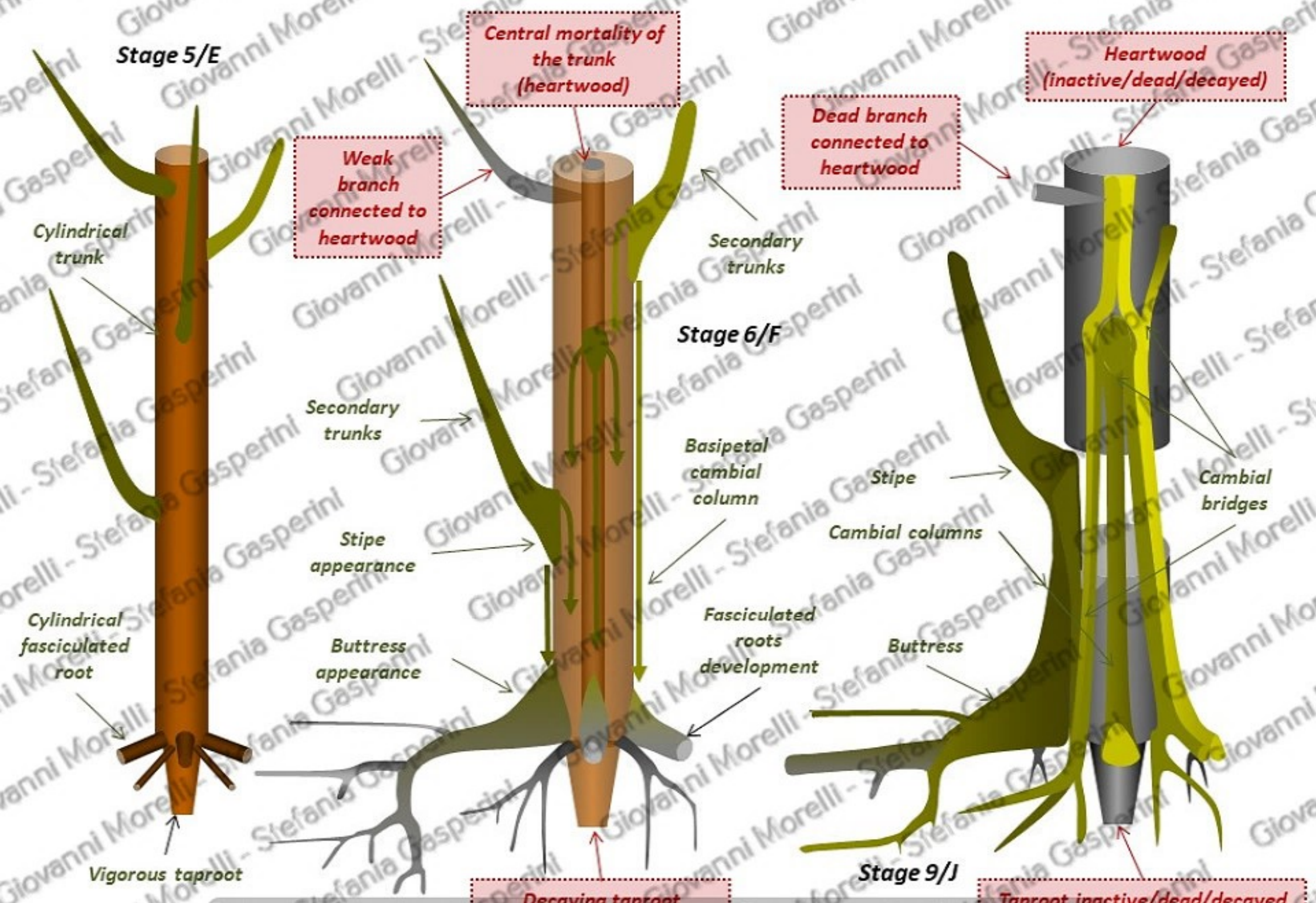
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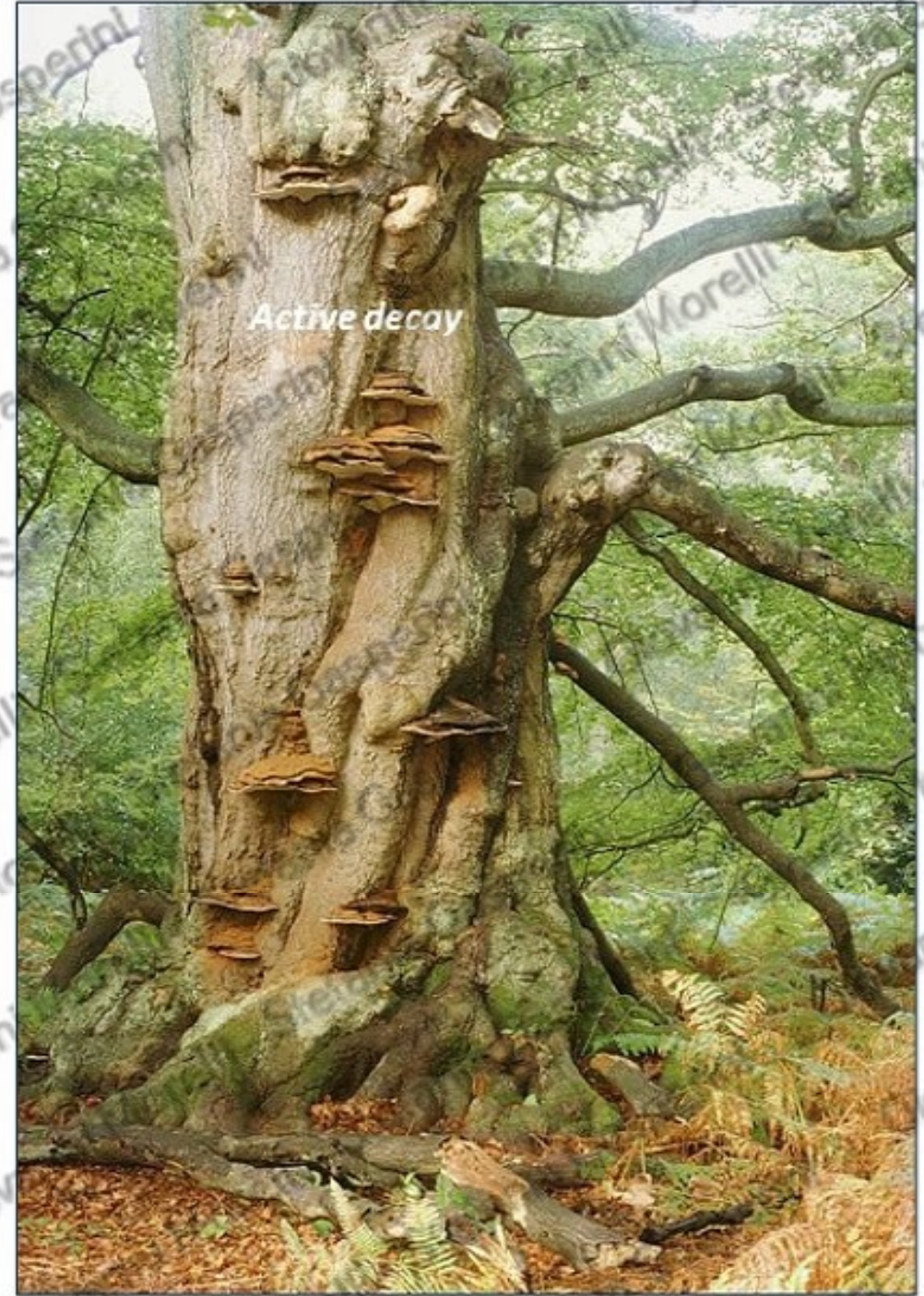
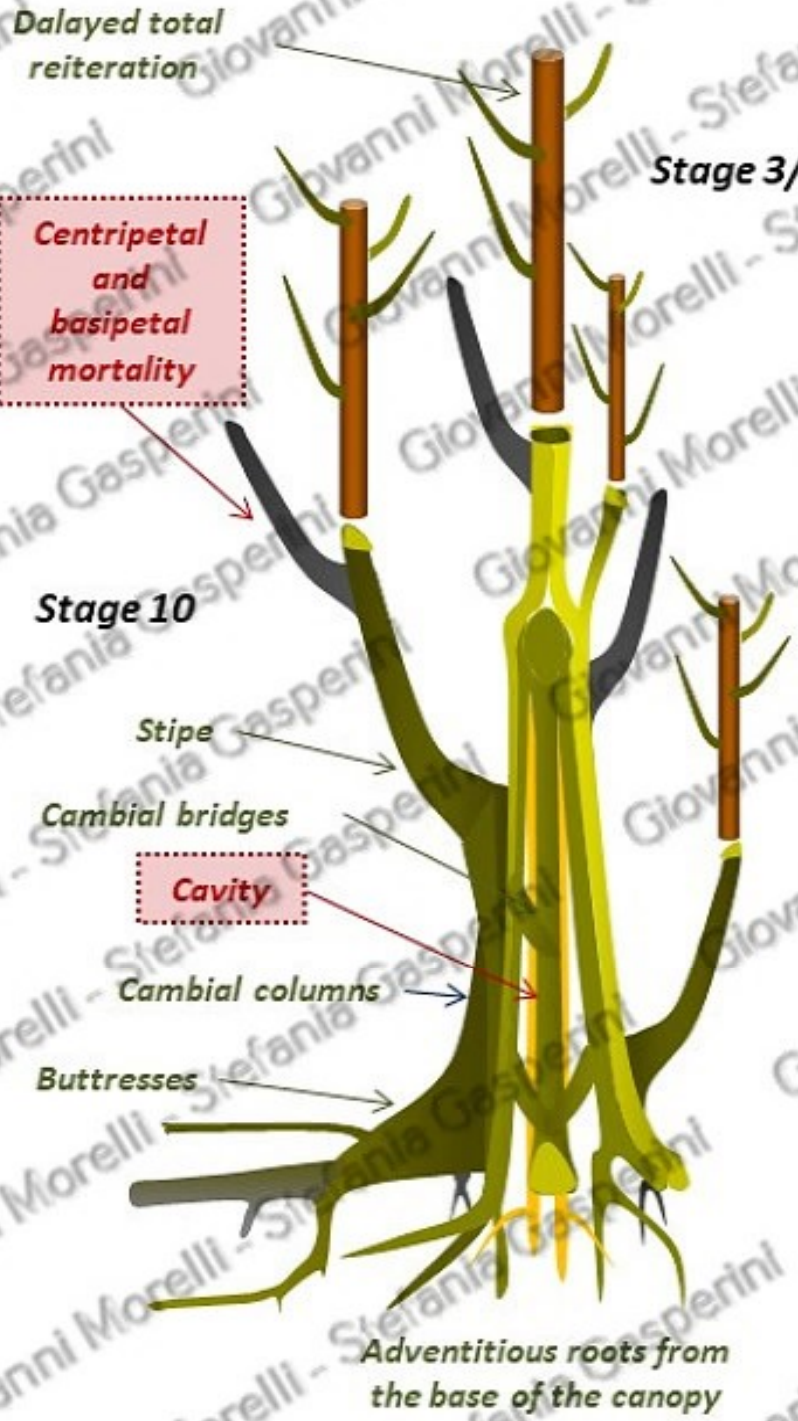
Internal mortality (heartwood formation)

Internal mortality (cavitation)

Morphophysiological analysis: relationship between crown, stem and roots in polyarchy species



Morphophysiological analysis: relationship between crown, stem and roots in polyarchy species



Fagus sylvatica with *Ganoderma applanatum*. Source T. green

The stage 10 of a tree

Reiterazioni
totali ritardate

Stage 3/C

Centripetal
and
basipetal
mortality

Stage 10

Stipe

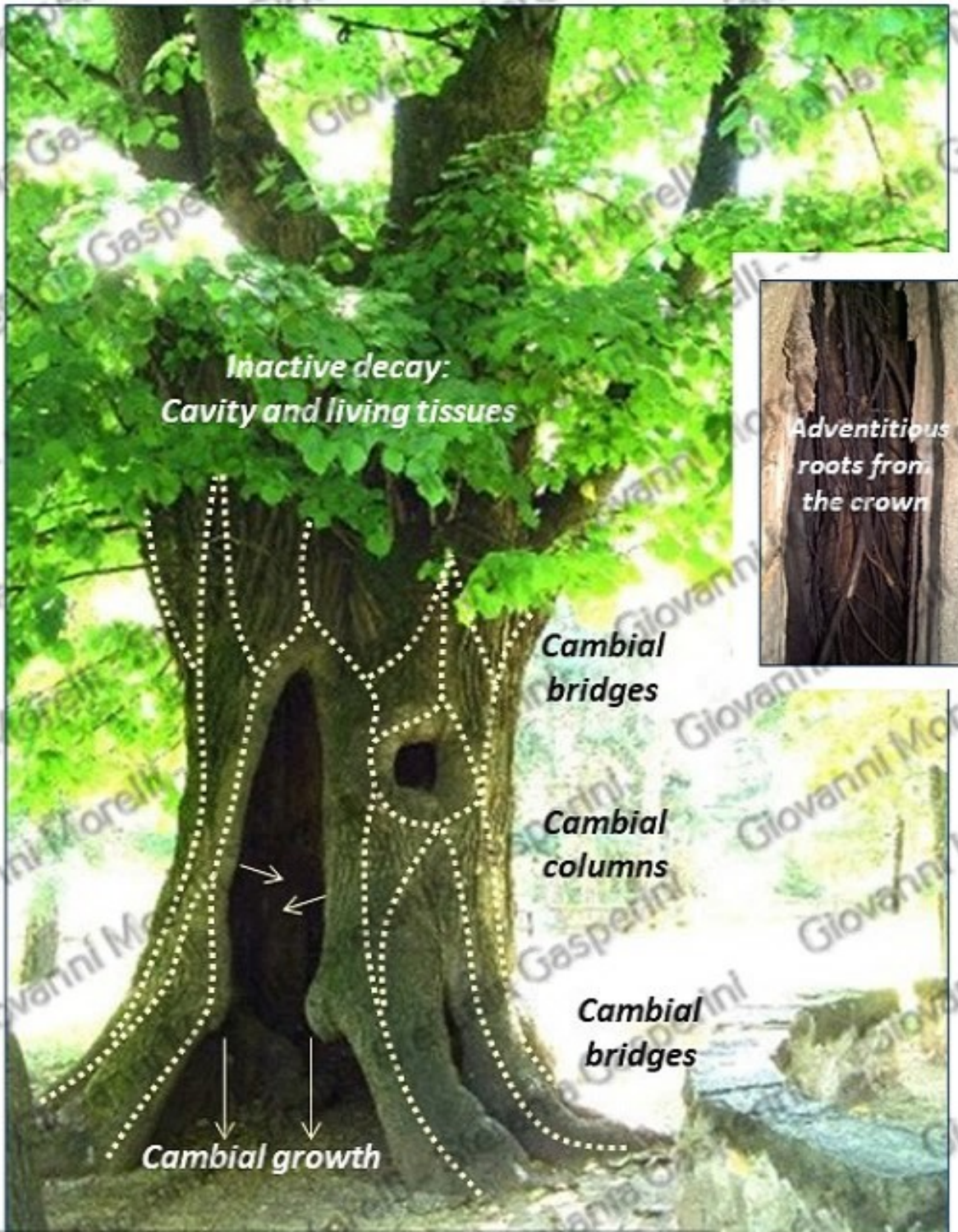
Cambial bridges

Cavity

Cambial columns

Buttresses

Adventitious roots from
the base of the canopy



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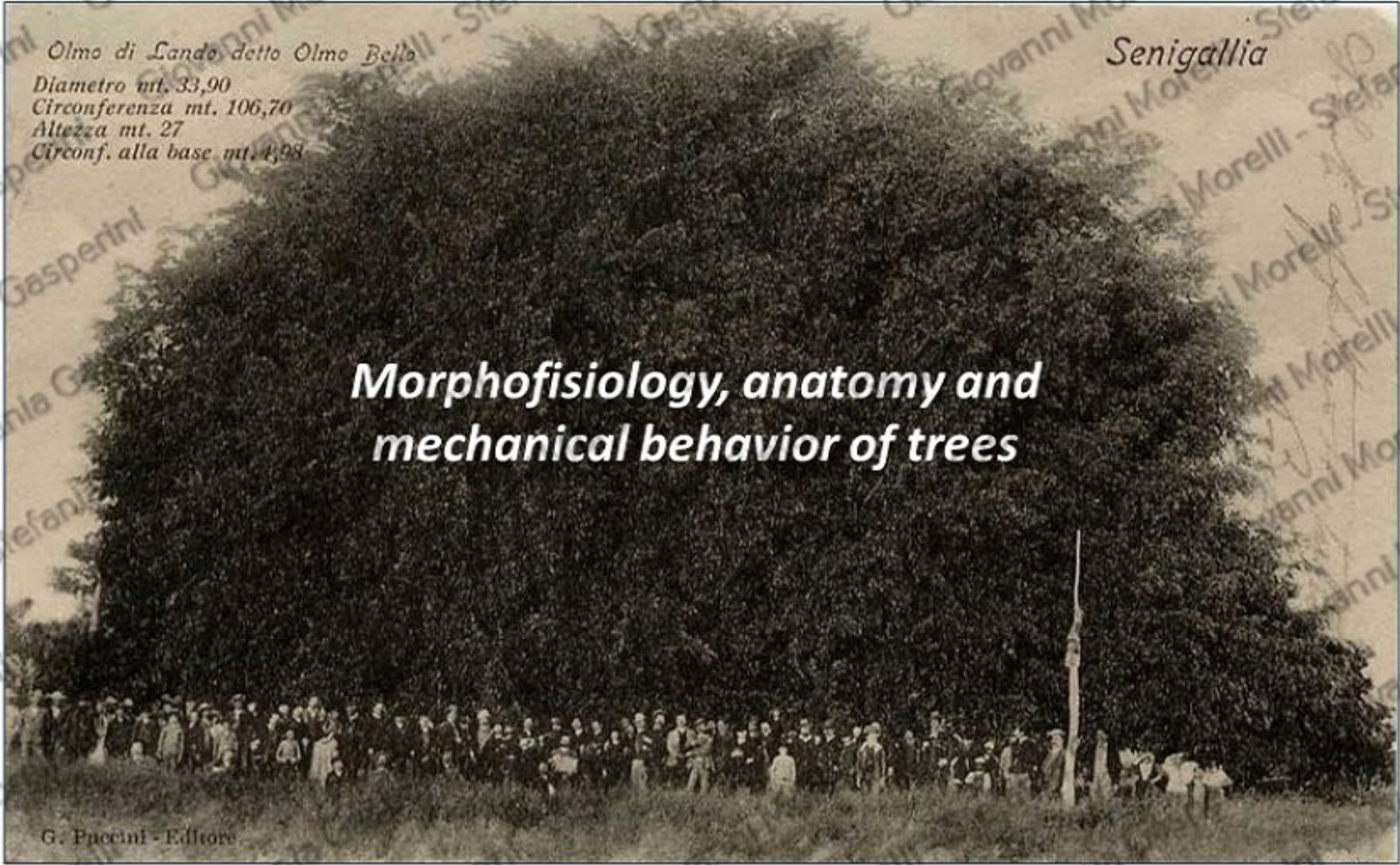
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***Morphofisiology, anatomy and
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Phenotypic level of the form:

- Adaptive modifications,
- Corrective modifications;
- Reparative modifications.

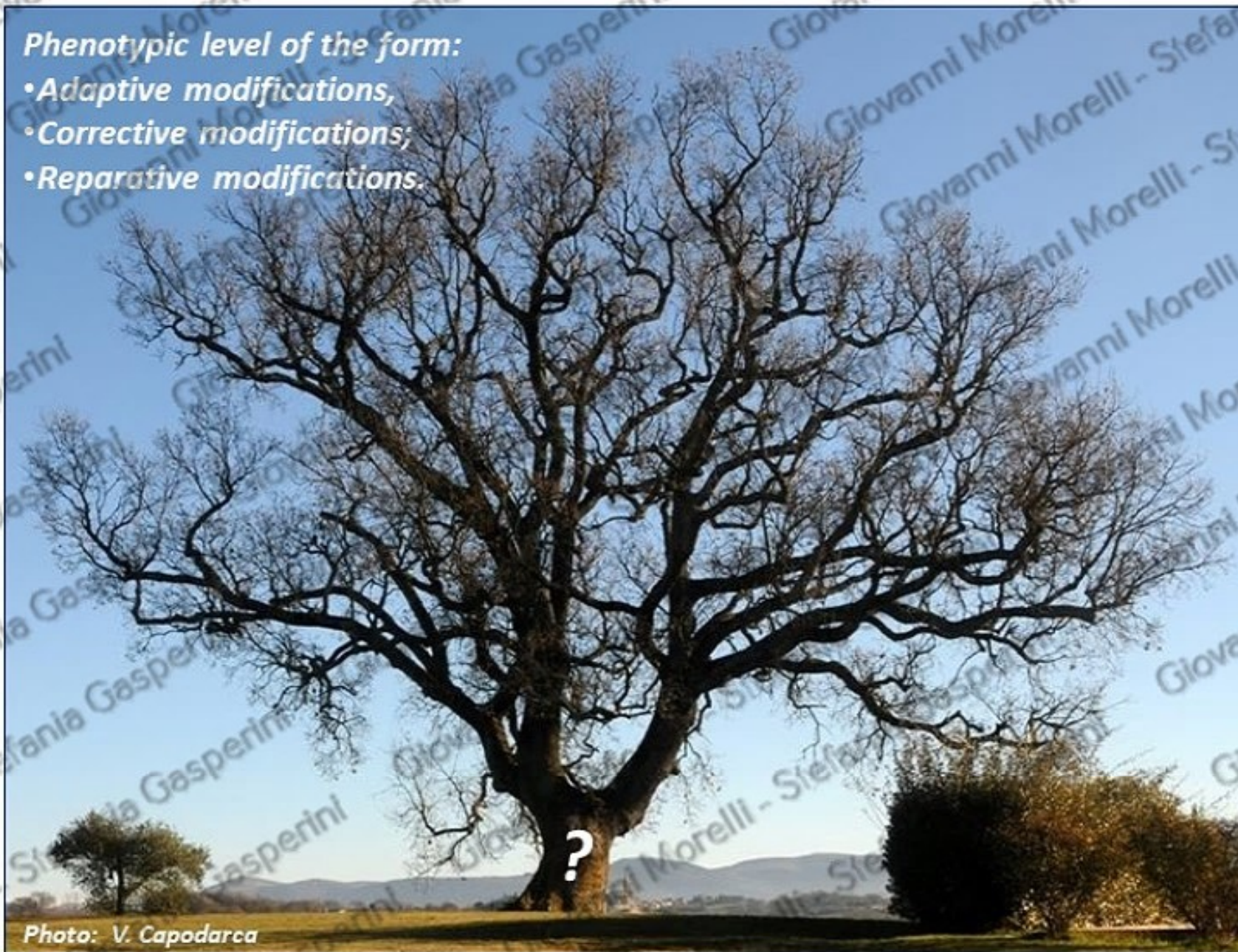


Photo: V. Capodarca

A **defect** represents any kind of negative difference compared to a perceived norm.

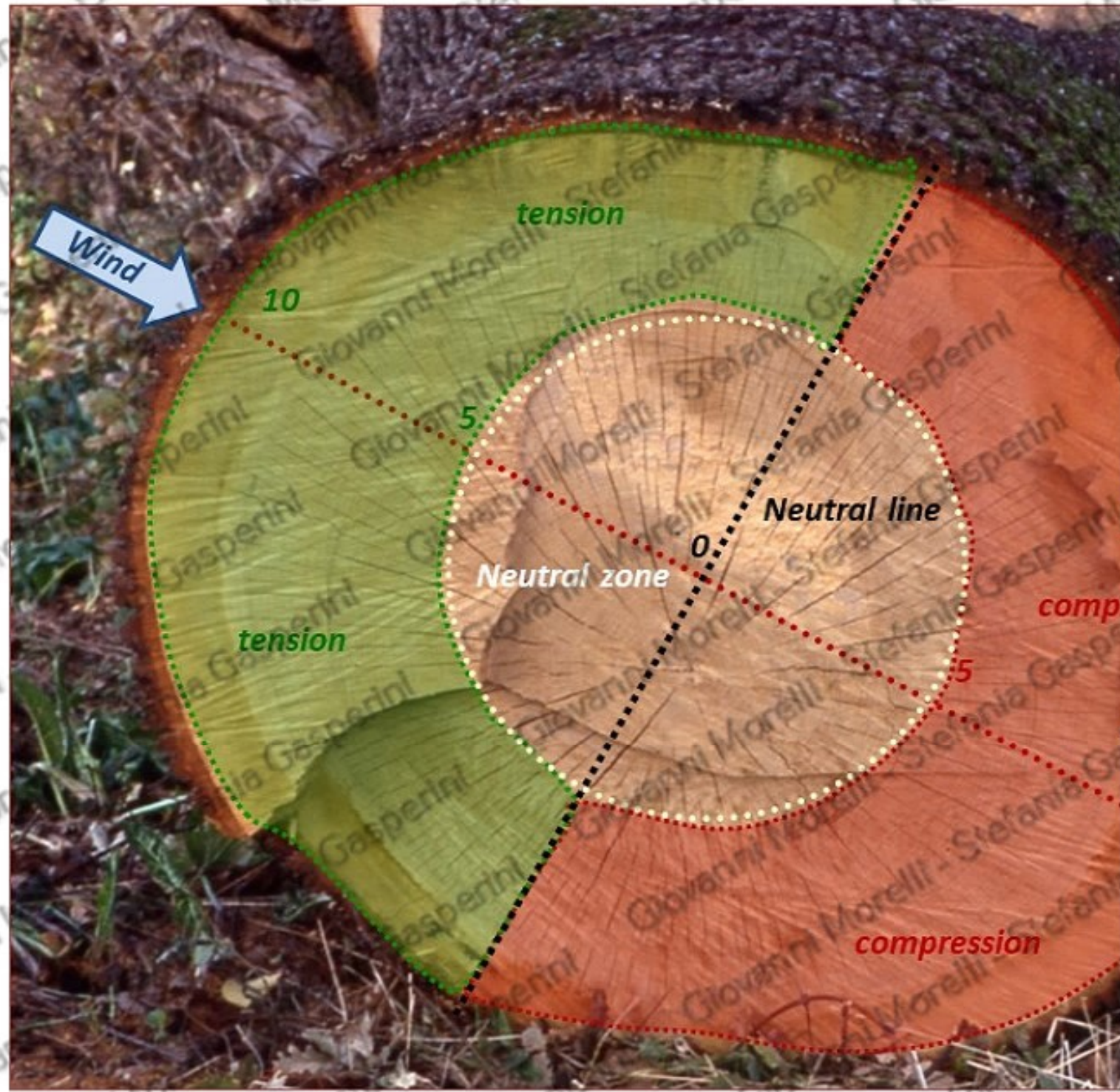
A **“structural defect”**, for a specific context of growth, represents any architectural, morphological, anatomical environmental anomaly able to increase the likelihood of failure.

(Morelli 2016. From National Tree Safety Group)

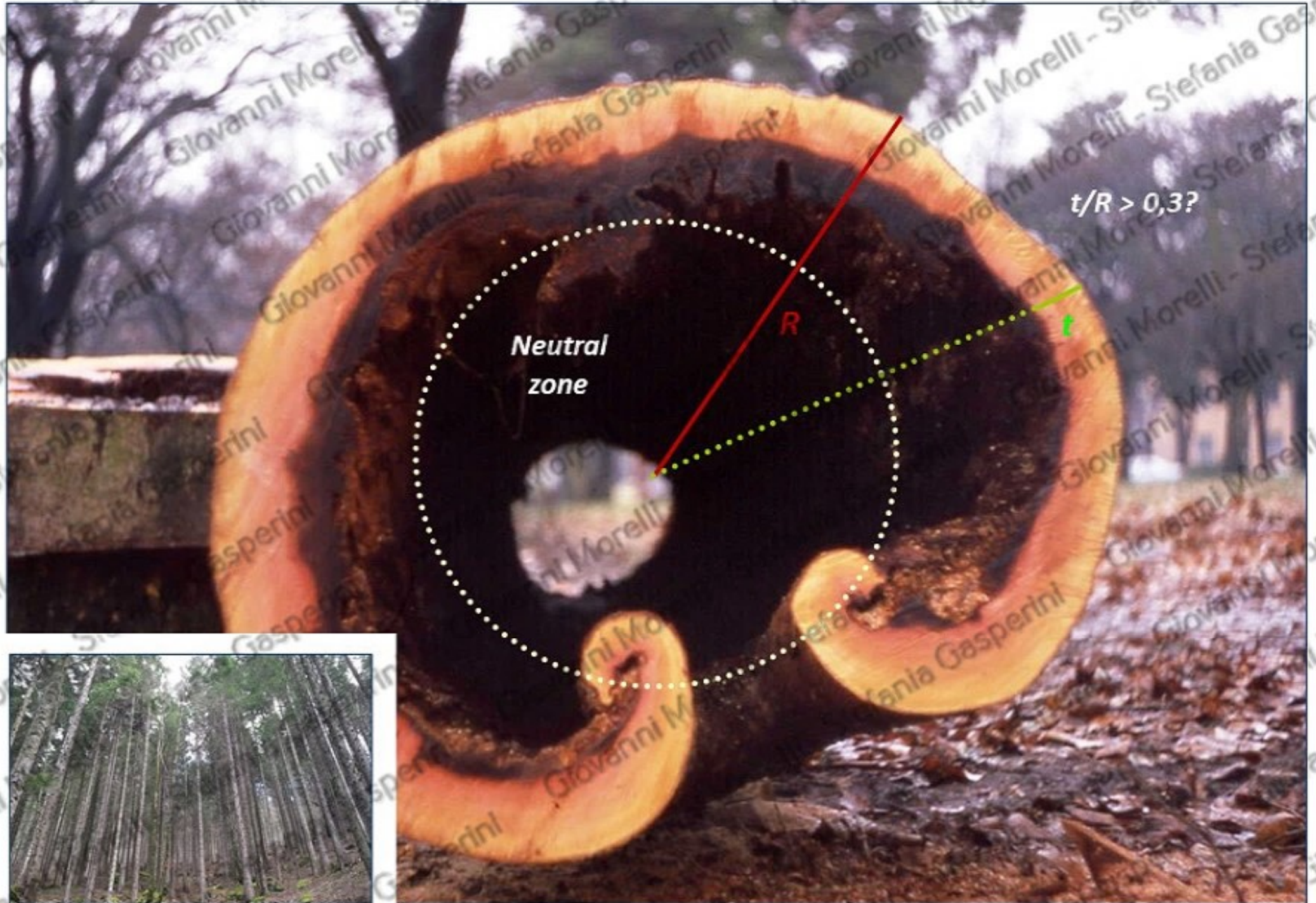
The ambiguity of the defect: What about cavity?



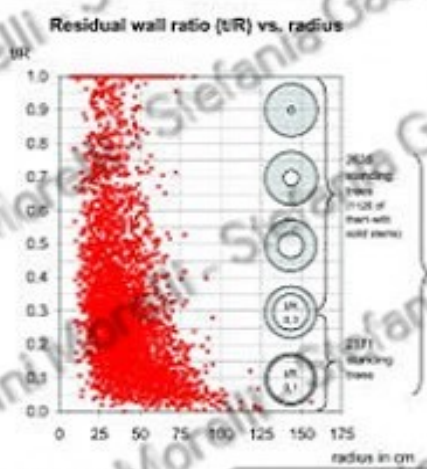
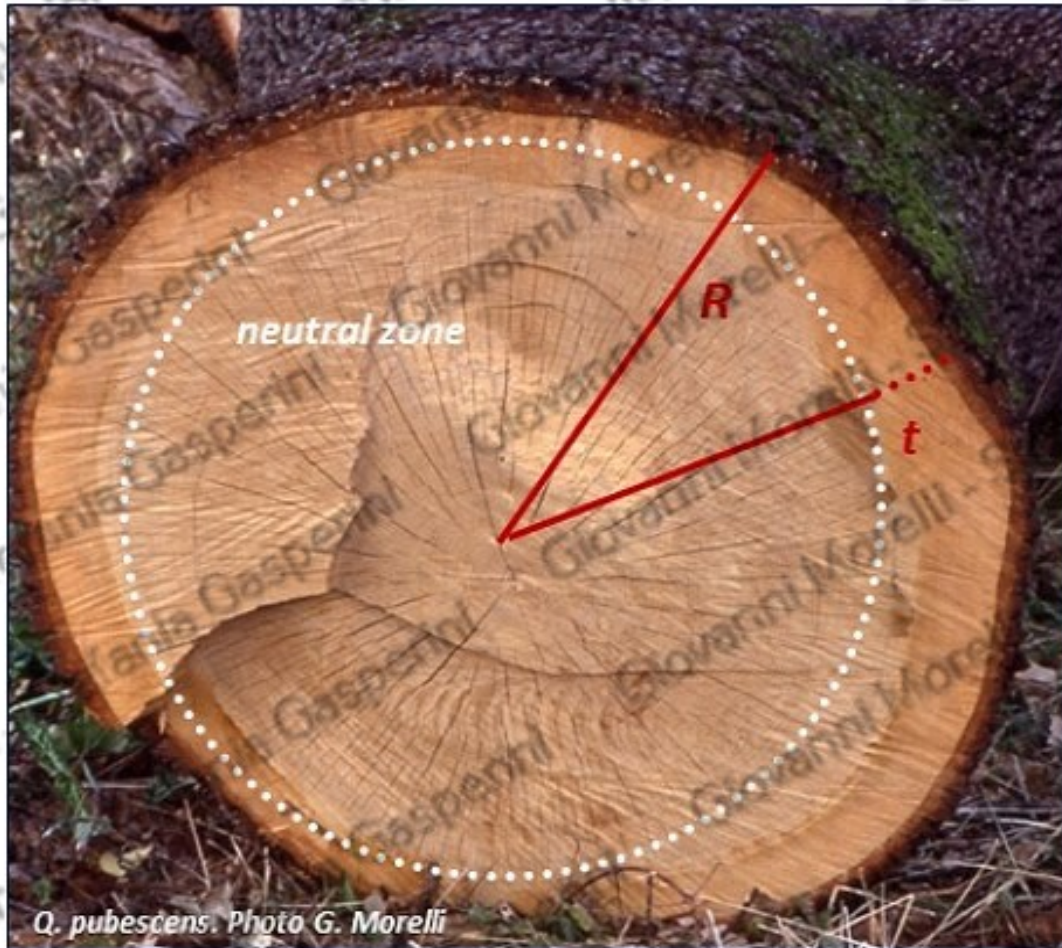
To stand up: the art of cavitation



To stand up: the art of cavitation



Structural implications of morphophysiological evolution of the stem



To stand up: the art of cavitation



"Russenlinde": Breitenlesau, Bayern (Germany)

Structural implications of morphophysiological evolution of the stem

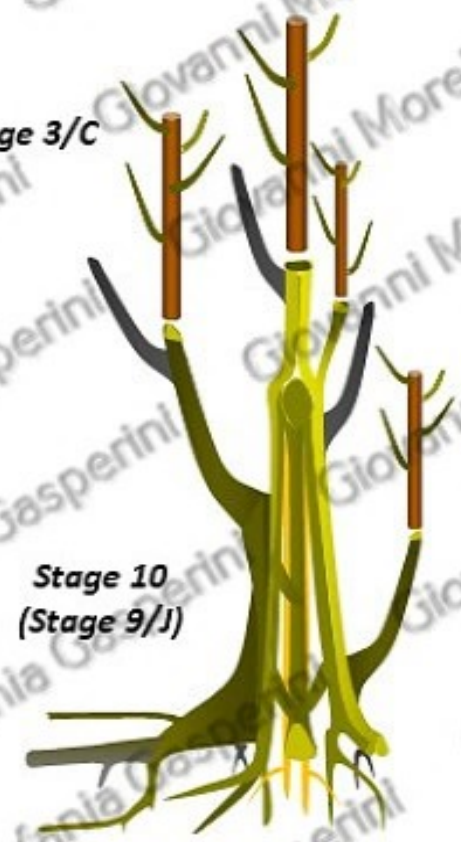


Stage 5/E

Stage 6/F

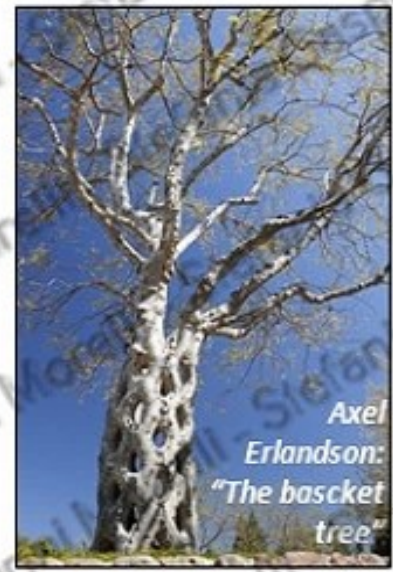


Stage 3/C



Stage 10
(Stage 9/J)

Stage 8 (9)/ H (J)



Axel Erlandson:
"The basket tree"



From the defects to the stability assessment in polyarchival species trees

Load reduction -
Crown deformation

Structural deformation -
Bending (torsion pathological)

Mechanical inactivity of internal
tissues (possible partial
cavitation without rising of
likelihood of failure)

Mechanical strain of external
tissues (corrective growth ad
plastic response)

Evidence and continuity
stipes-cambial columns-buttresses

Visual assessment

Solidarity
trunk-buttresses-superficial (fasciculated) roots

tomograph

Electronic drill

elastometer

inclinometer

Pulling test

Soil not relevant



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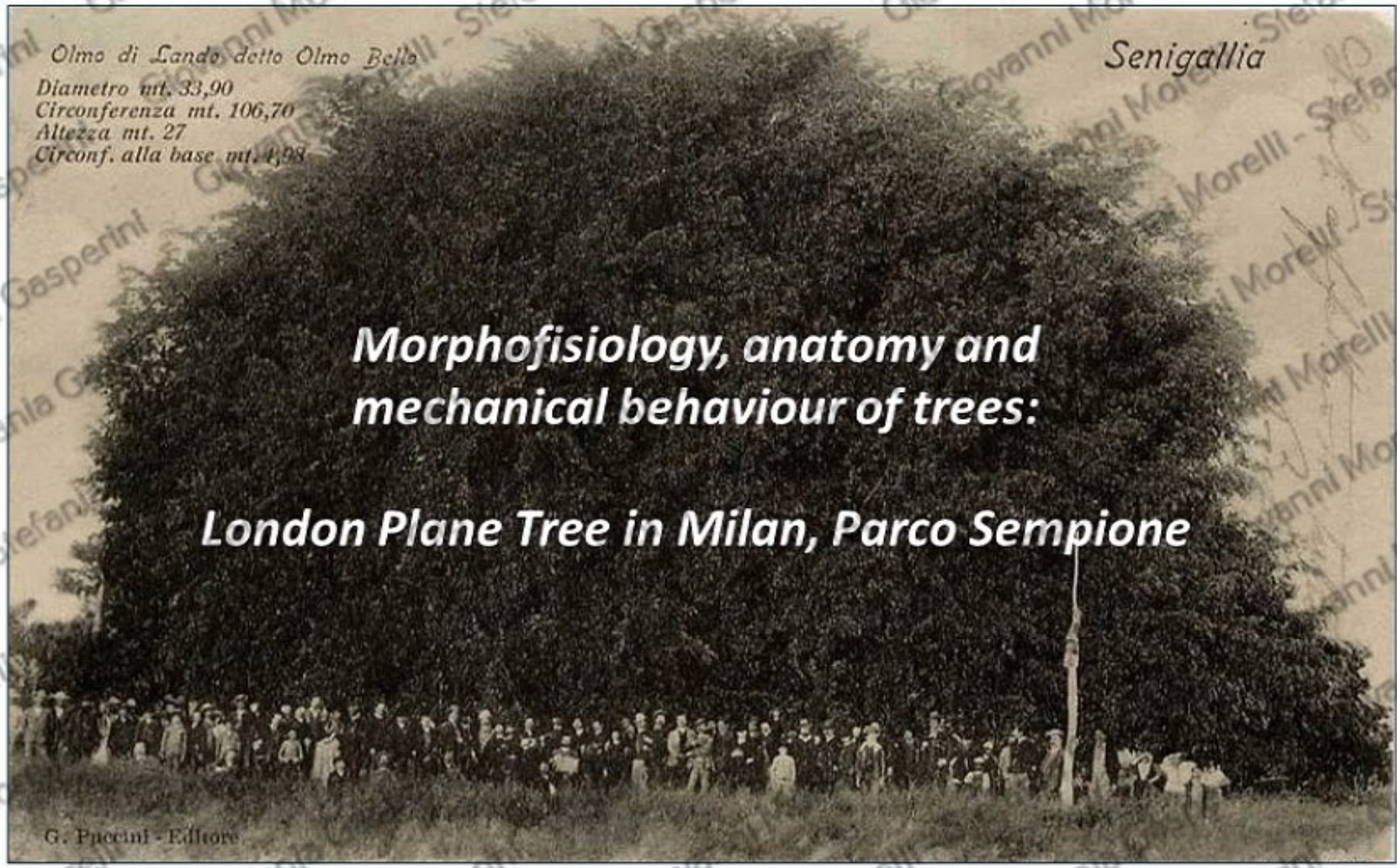
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London Plane Tree in Milan, Parco Sempione

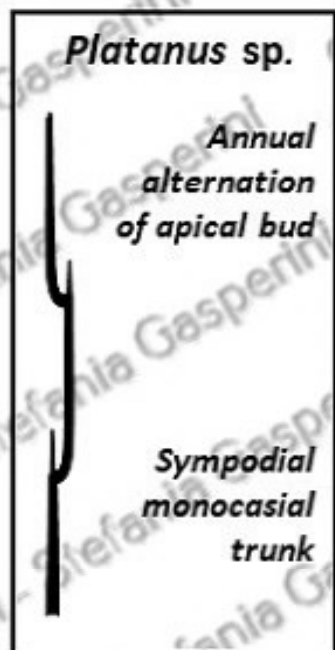
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The phylogenetic level of the form: Massart architectural model

Trunk and branches
different both
for the flowering (lateral
on branches) and for
the phyllotaxis (distich
for the trunk and spiral
for the branches)

Orthotropic trunk
(isotonic branching)
monopodial branches
with rhythmic growth



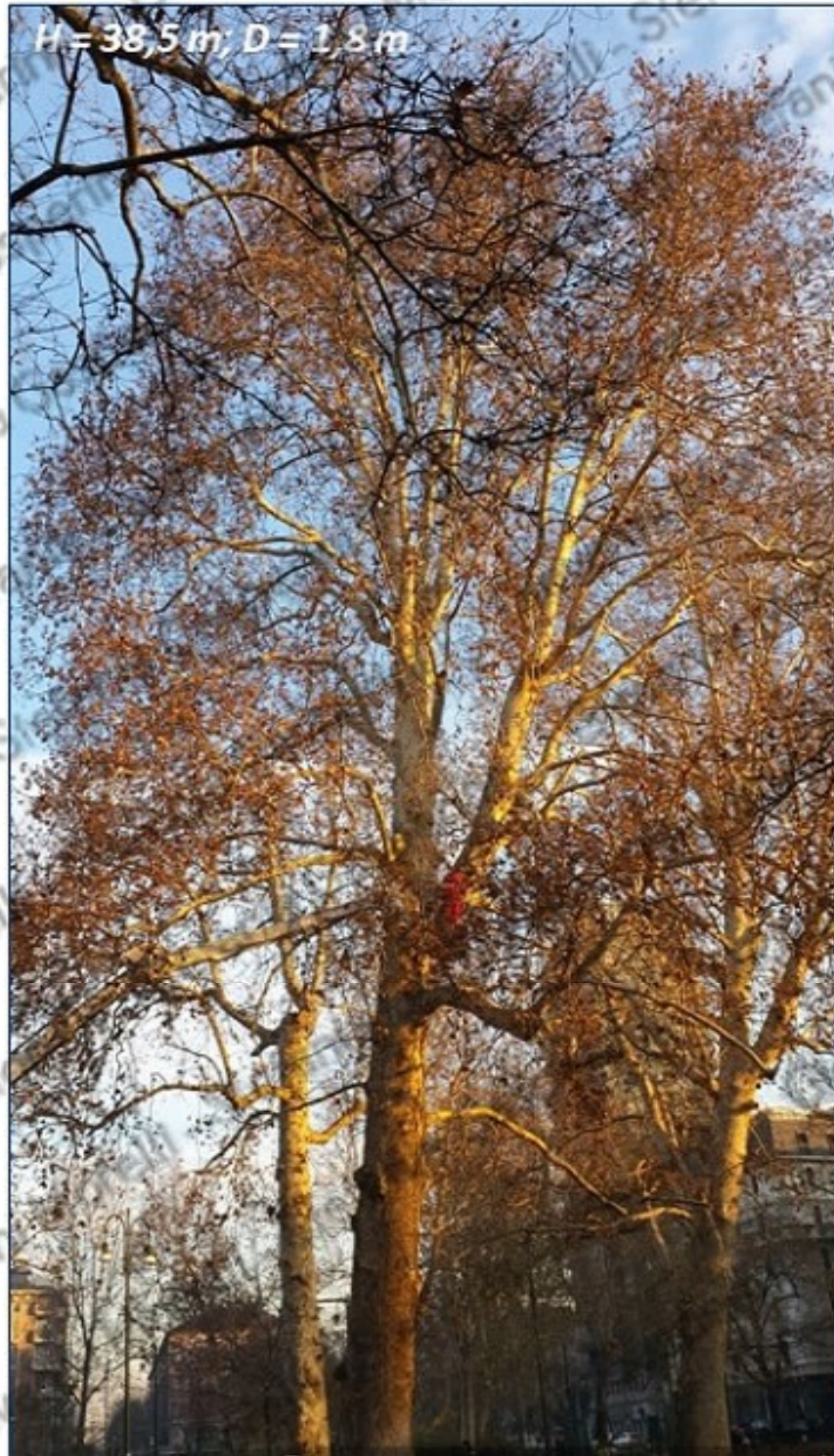
Anfitotonic branching
monopodial branches
with rhythmic growth

- Current flowering
- Previous flowering
- Trunks and branches
- Fasciculated root system
- Taprooting root system

First root system
usually from seed



The phylogenetic level, ontogenetic level of the form and morphophysiology

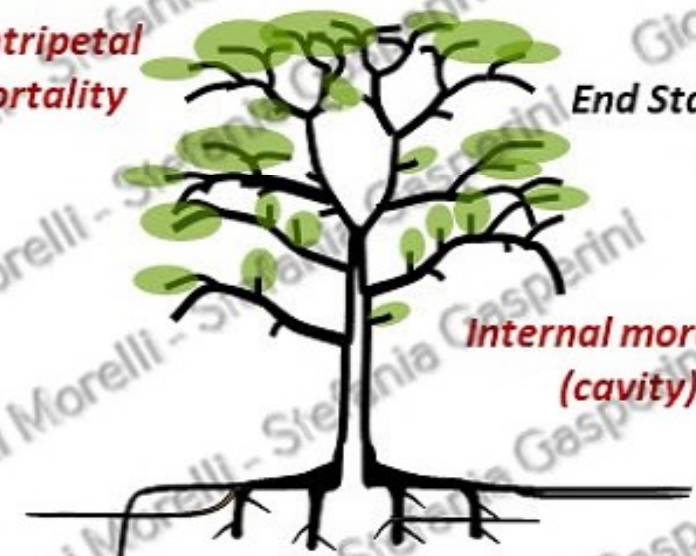


Massart Model



D: Mature

Centripetal mortality

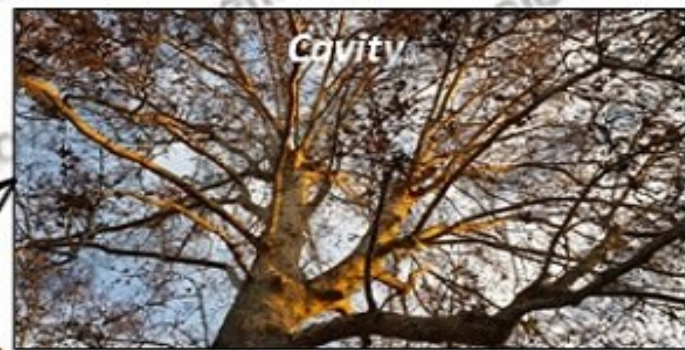


End Stage 8

Internal mortality (cavity)

Stage H (end)

Visual assessment: looking for clinic features



**End Stage 8
Beginning Stage 9**

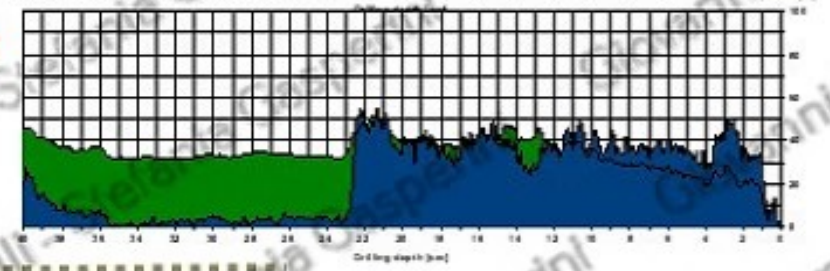
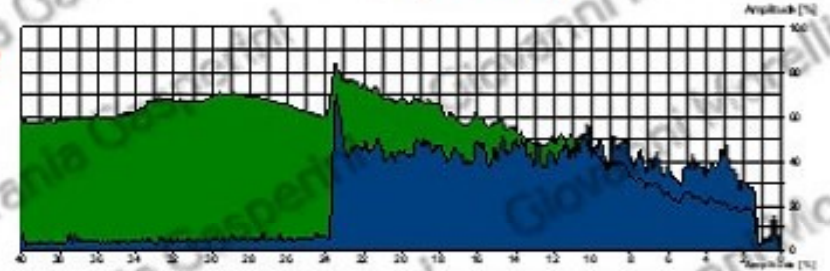
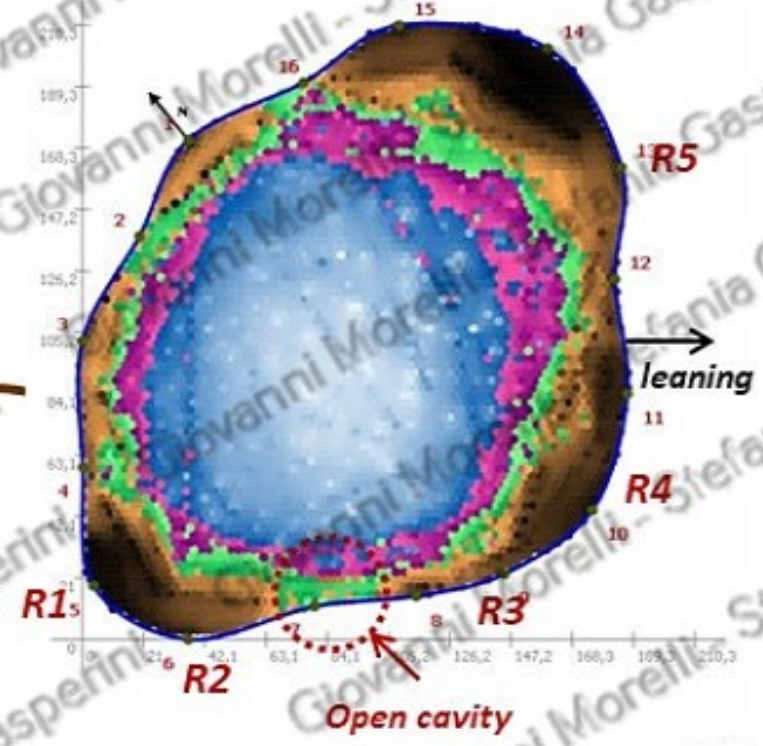
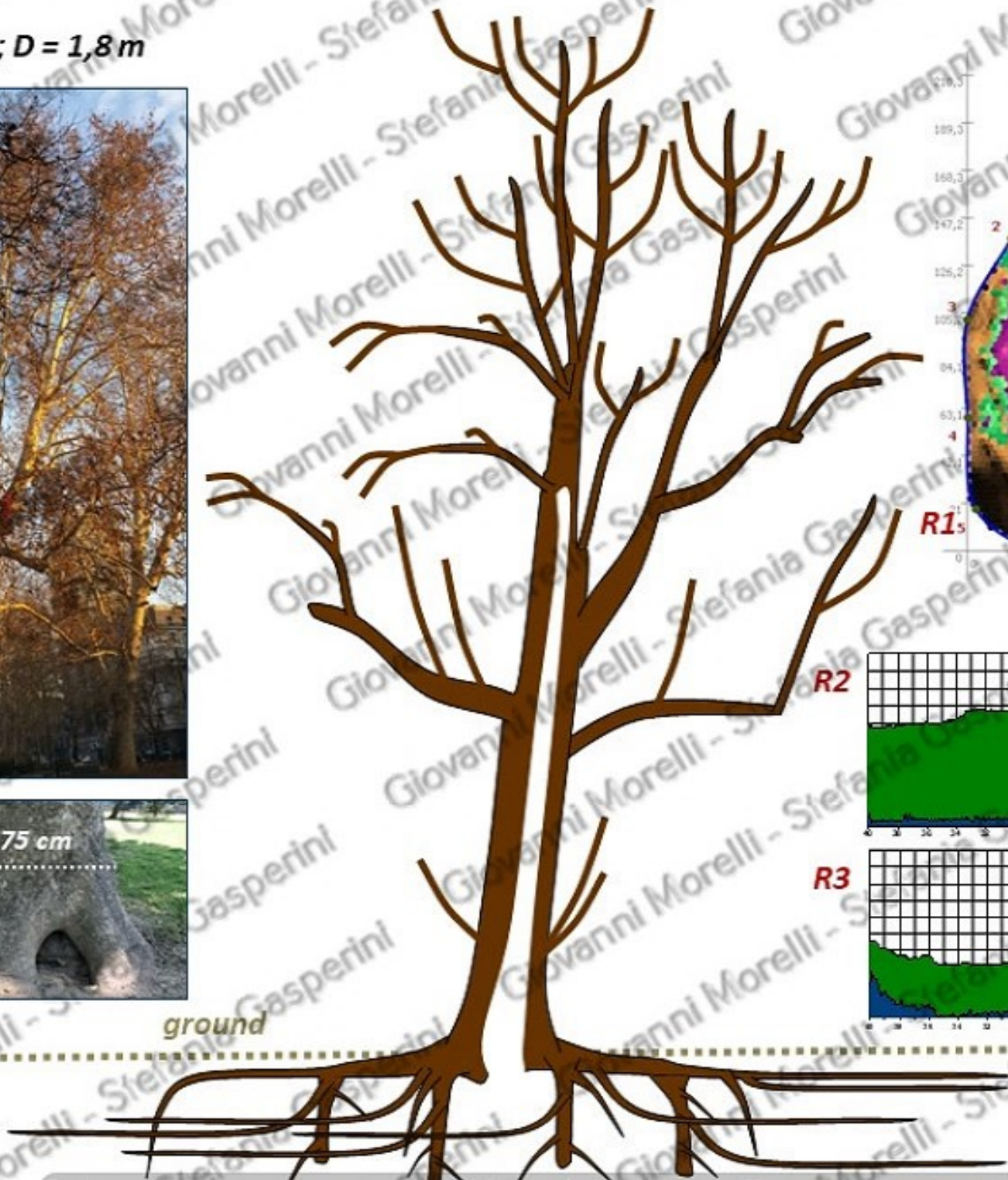
Open cavity

**Stage H
(beginning Stage I)**



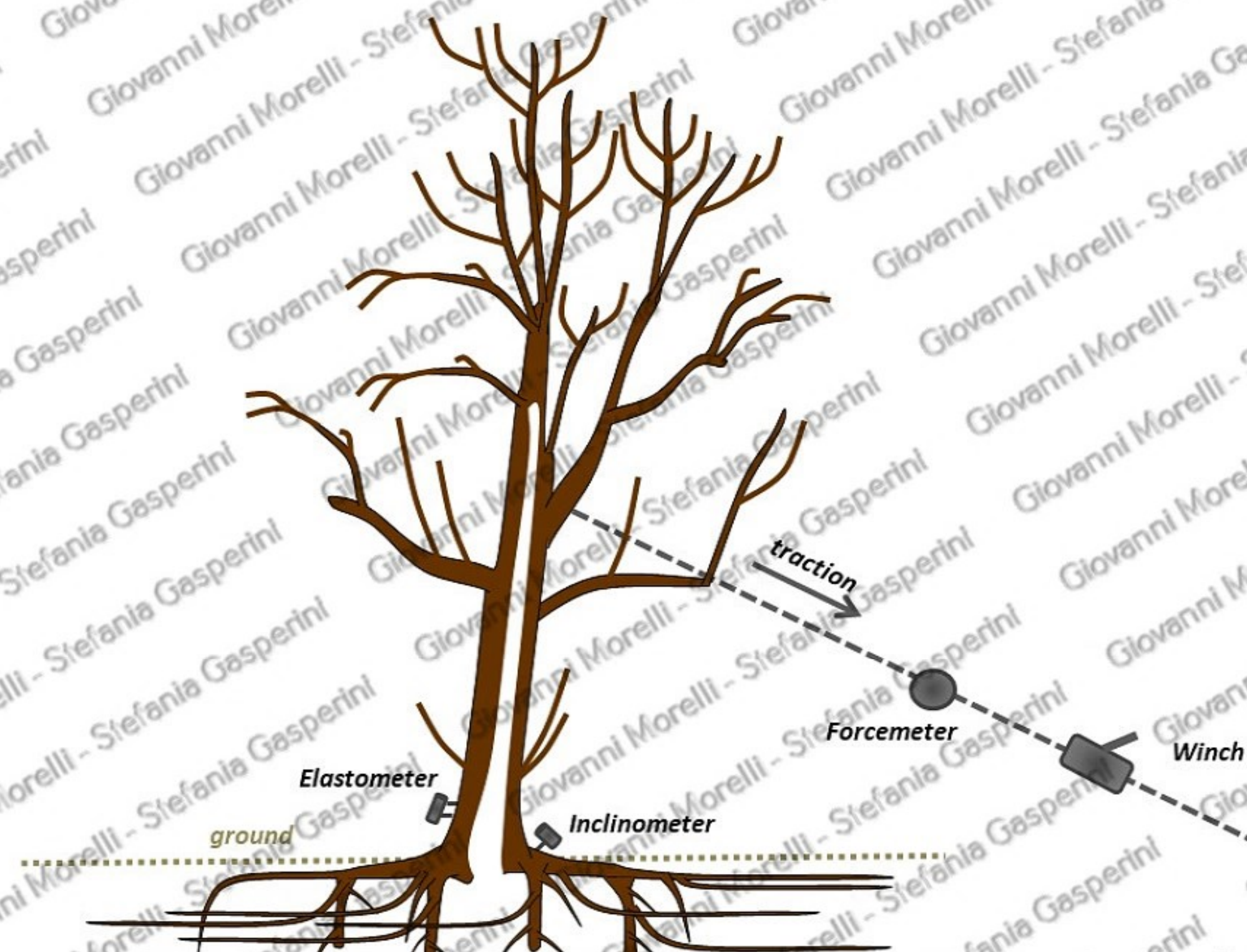
Advanced assessment: electronic drill and sonic tomograph

H = 38,5 m; D = 1,8 m



ground

Advanced assessment: pulling test



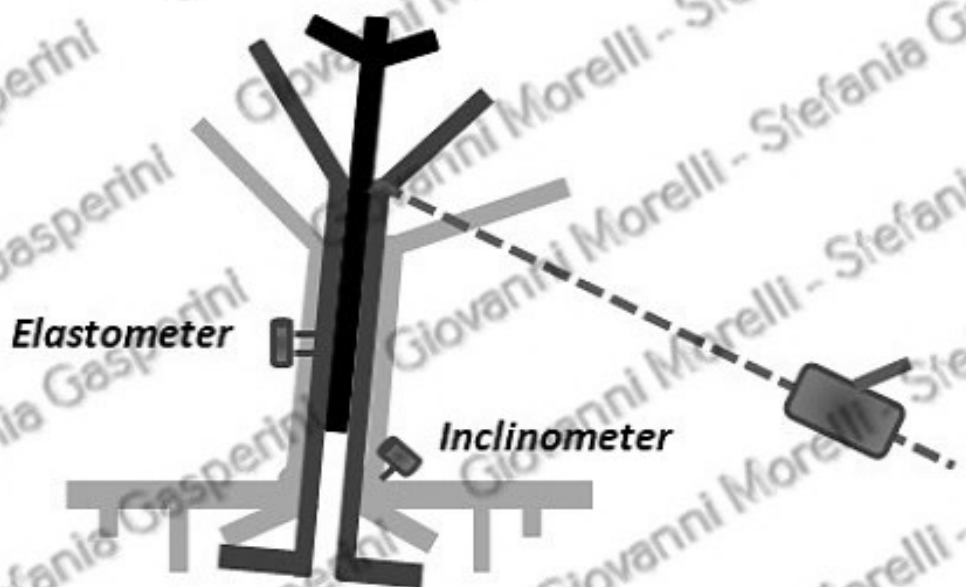
Analisi del carico del vento secondo DIN 1055-4

Progetto		Luogo		N. dell'albero	
Nome progetto	Coges_dio14	Parco Sempione Sgambatoio		55607	
Numero progetto		20145 Milano, Italia			
Data del test	12/12/2014	Altitudine sul livello del mare		122 m	
Dati dell'albero			Proprietà del materiale applicate		
Specie	Platanus x acerifolia	secondo	Platanus x acerifolia		
Circonferenza del fusto	693 cm	Fonte	Stuttgart		
Diametro del fusto in 1 m di altezza	211 cm	Resistenza a compressione	27 MPa		
Spessore della corteccia	2 cm	Modulo di elasticità	6250 MPa		
Altezza dell'albero	38,5 m	Limite di elasticità	0,43 %		
		Densità del legno verde	0,92 g/cm ³		



Direzione del carico	
Direzione del carico	NE
Analisi dell'area di superficie	
Base della chioma	6,2 m
Altezza effettiva	25,6 m
Area della superficie totale	772 m ²
Eccentricità della chioma	4,99 m
Parametri strutturali applicati	
Fattore di resistenza aerodinamica	0,35
Frequenza propria	0,45 Hz
Diminuzione di smorzamento	0,8
Fattore di forma	0,8
Parametri del luogo applicati	
Zona di vento	Bt 12
Valore della velocità progettuale del vento	22,5 m/s
Densità dell'aria	1,27 kg/m ³
Categoria di terreno	Zona suburbana
Esponente profilo del vento	0,22
Fattore di prossimità per effetti del vento vicino al terreno	1
Fattore per l'esposizione	1,00

Risultati	
Analisi del carico del vento	
Pressione media del vento	51,3 kN
Fattore di reazione alle raffiche	2,16
Centro di carico	22,5 m
Momento toroente	554 kNm
Carico del vento	2495 kNm
Analisi statica dell'albero	
Raso proprio dell'albero	81,1 %
Livello di cavità critico	95 %
Spessore della parete critico assumendo una parete residua integra	3 cm
Fattore di sicurezza di base	6,8



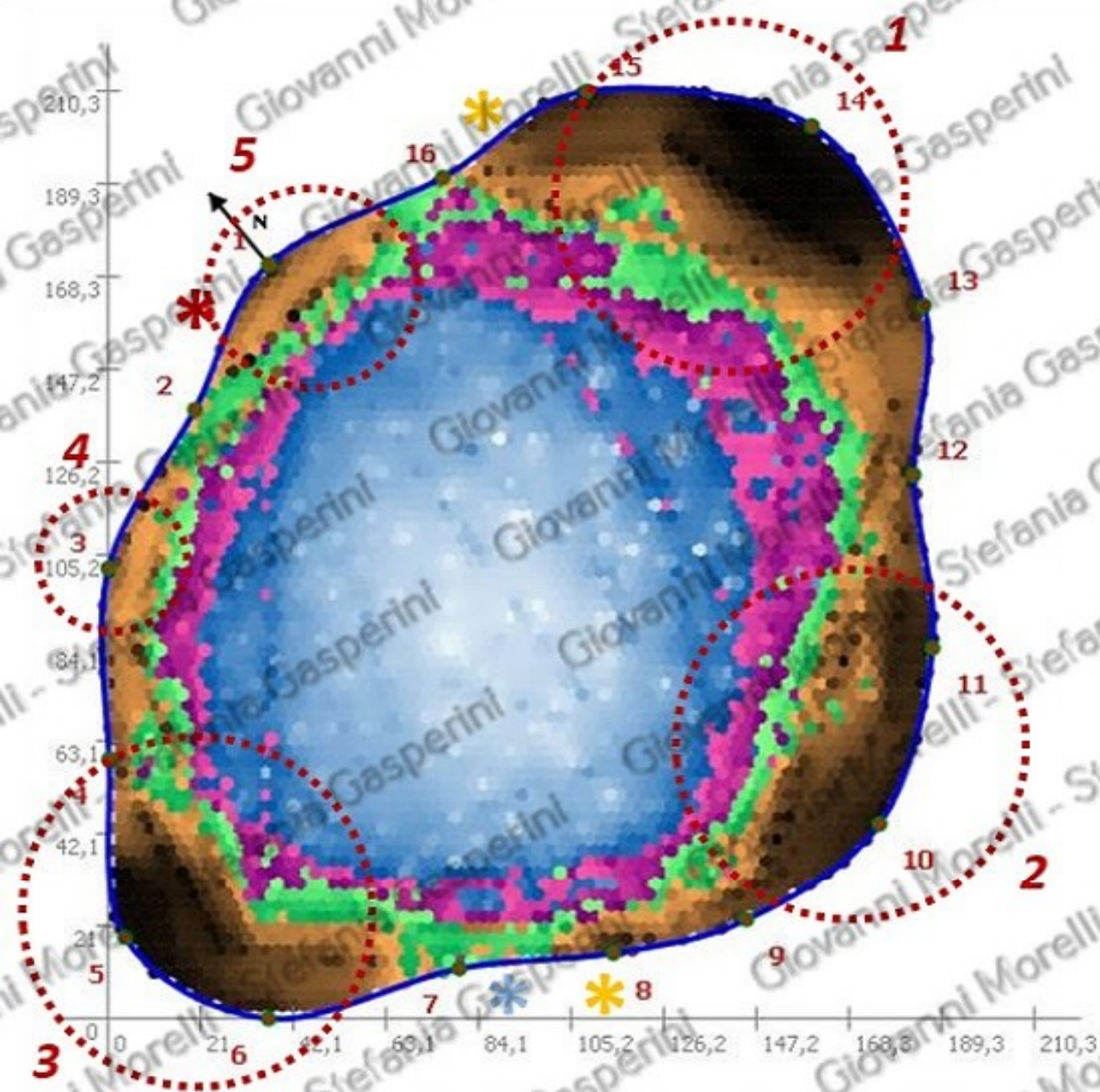
Basic safety factor:
6.8

Tipping stability safety factor:
10.64, 4.14, 2.43, 1.85

Breaking stability safety factor:
1.72, 3.59, 1.76, 3.49

> **1.5**

Integrated assessment: tomograph and pulling test outcomes



North side



South-West side

*** Lowest breaking stability safety factors (1.72 e 1.76)**

*** Lowest tipping stability safety factor (1.85)**

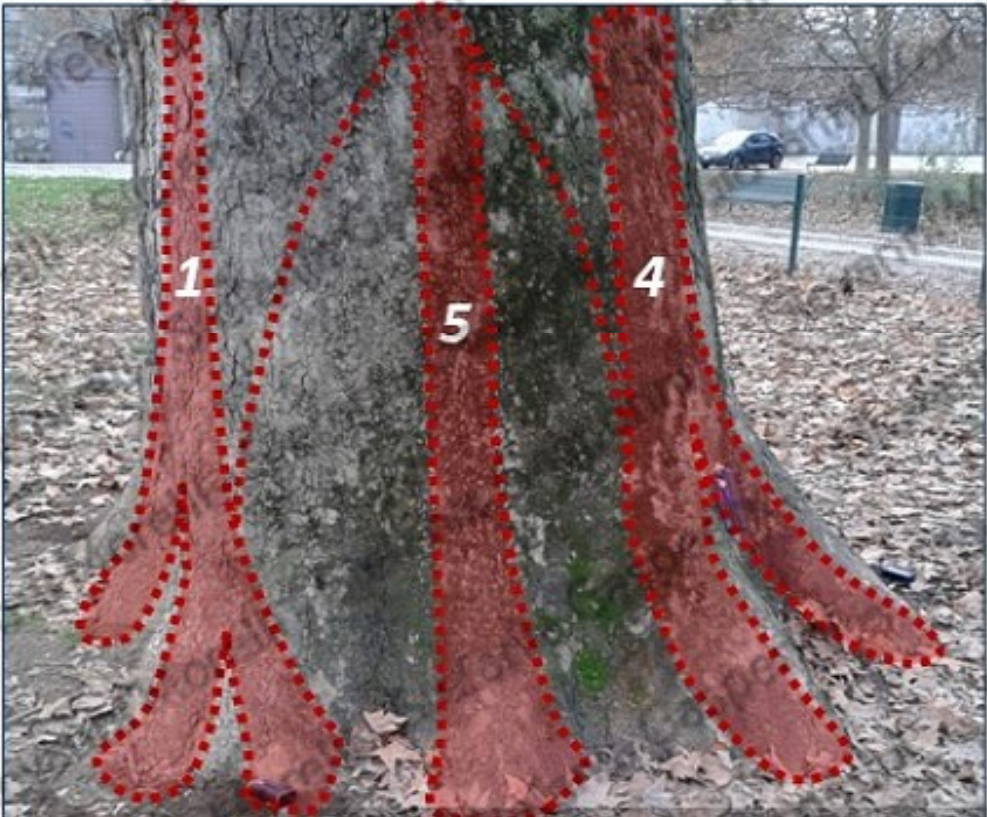
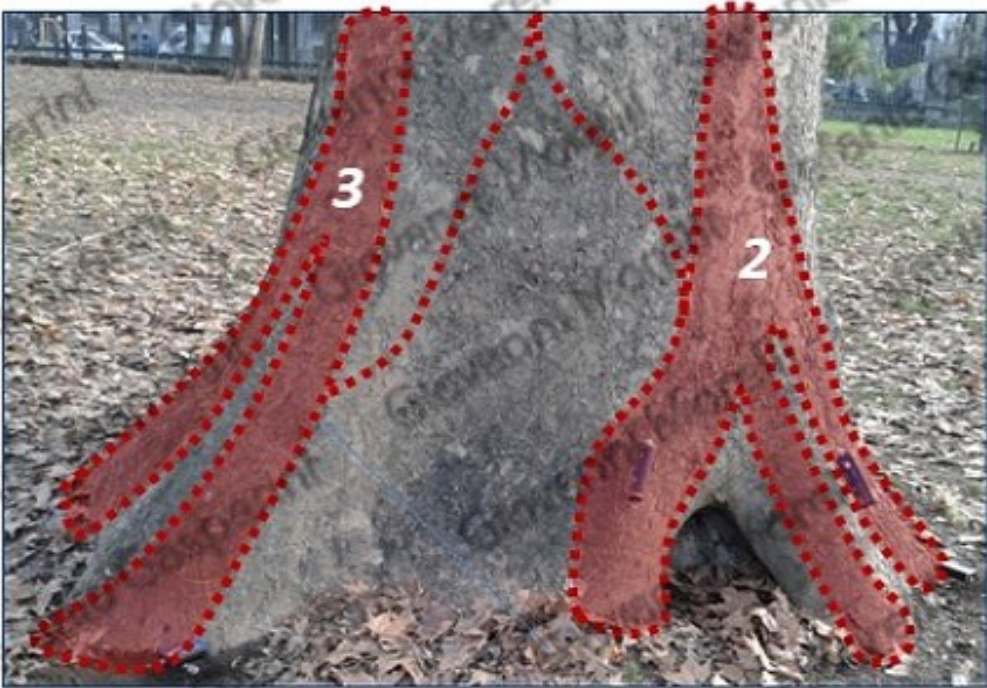


Cambial columns



Cambial columns

Integrated assessment: tomograph and pulling test outcomes



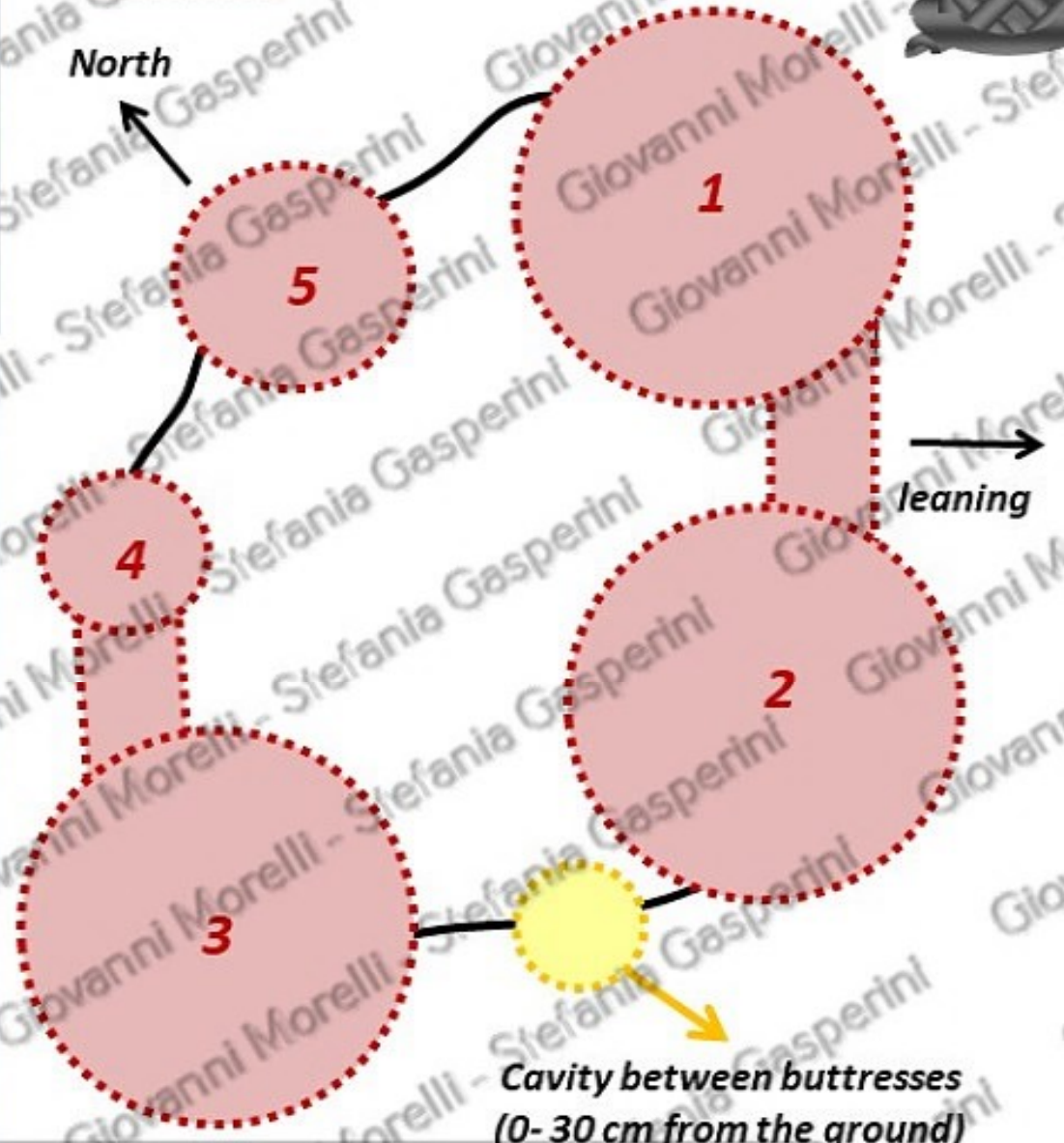
Cambial columns



Cambial bridges



North



Cavity between buttresses (0-30 cm from the ground)

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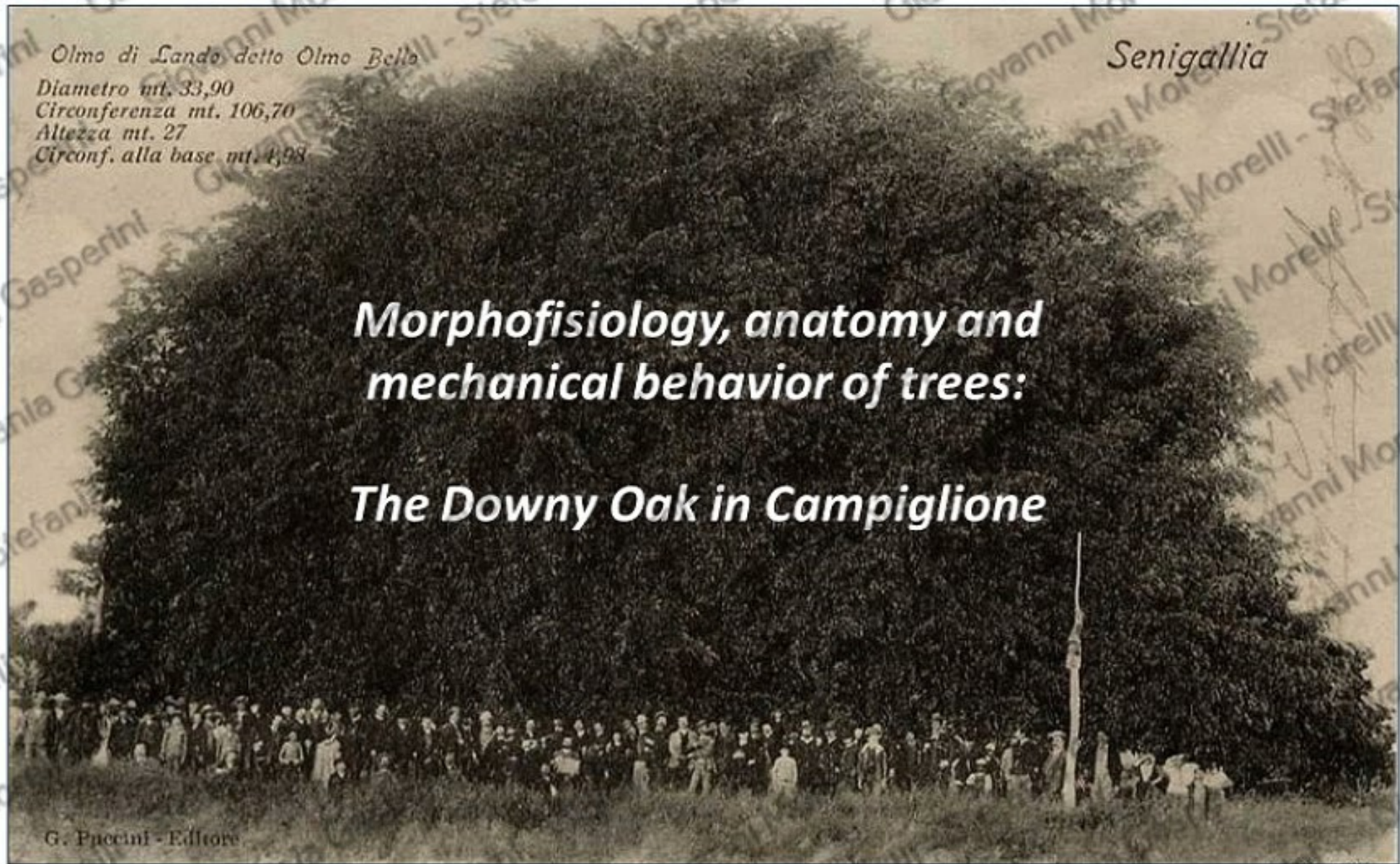
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The Downy Oak in Campiglione

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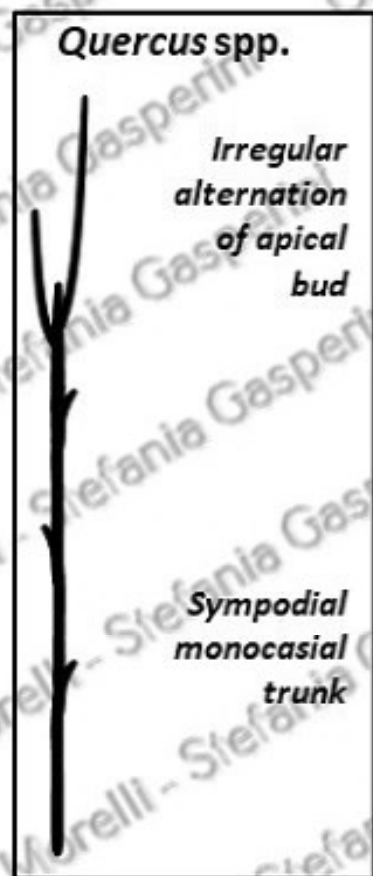


The phylogenetic level of the form: Rauh architectural model

Trunk and branches
differentiated only after
flowering (lateral)

Spiral phyllotaxis

Orthotropic and
monopodial/sympodial trunk
with rhythmic growth
Orthotropic and monopodial branches
with rhythmic growth and
with prevalent hypotonic branching



First root system usually
from seed



- Current flowering
- Previous flowering
- Trunk and branches
- Fasciculated root system
- Taprooting root system

The Downy Oak in Campiglione

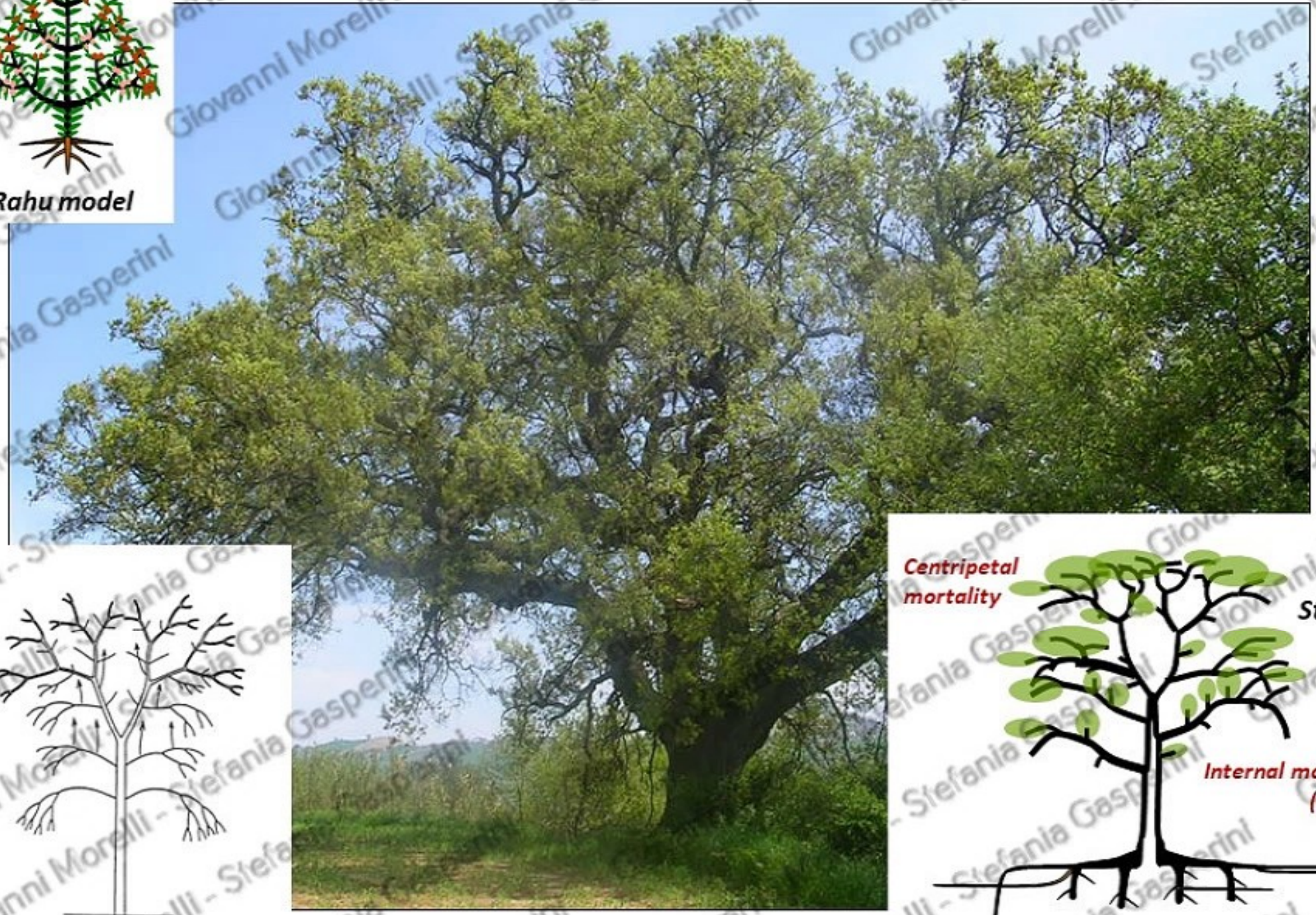


Photo: P. Tomassetti

The ontogenetic level of the form: the end of Stage 8/H



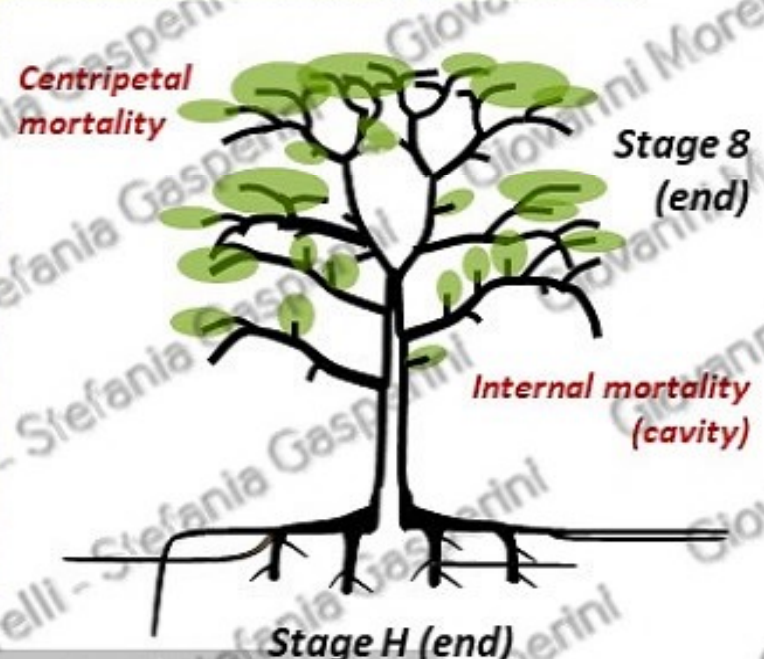
Rahu model



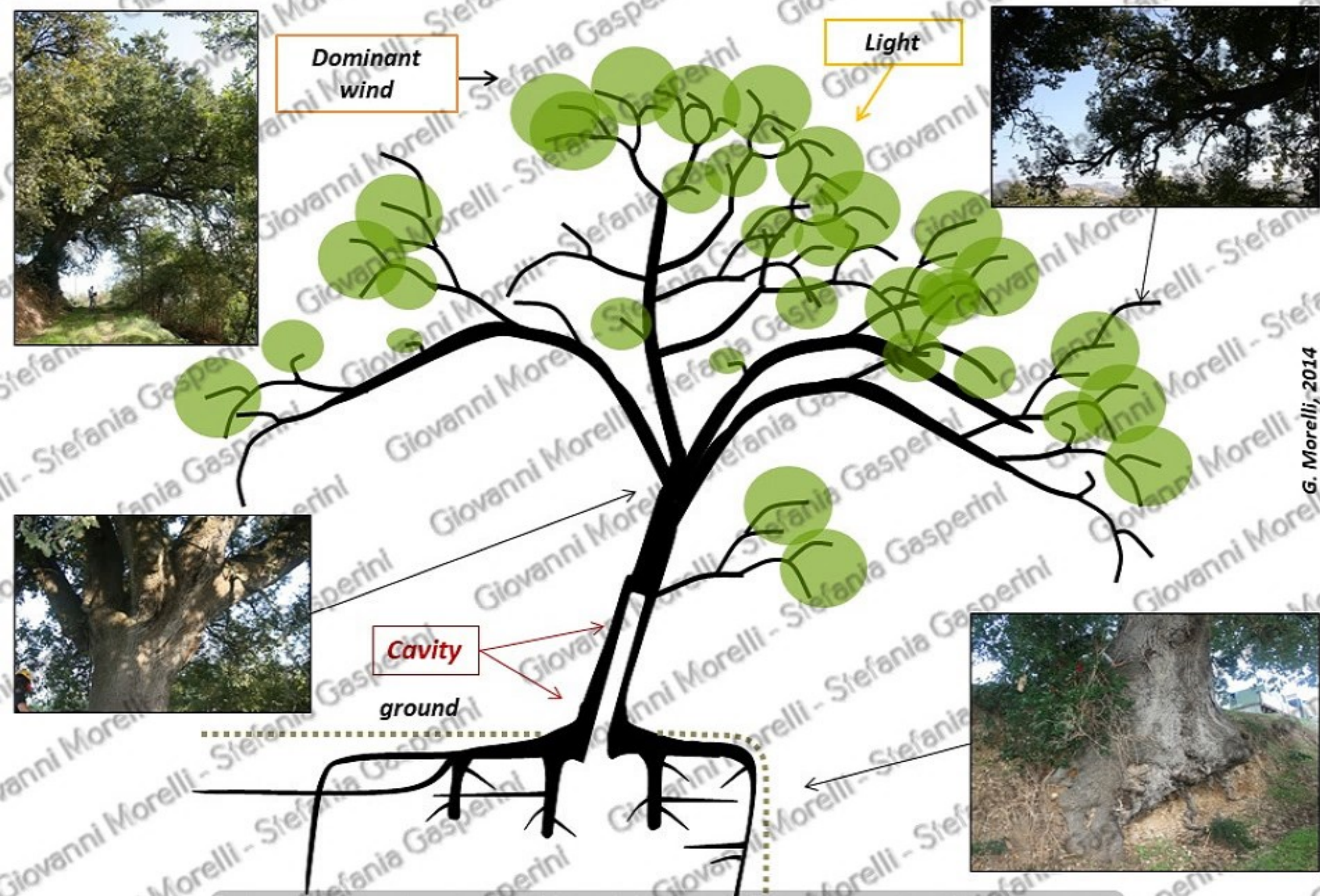
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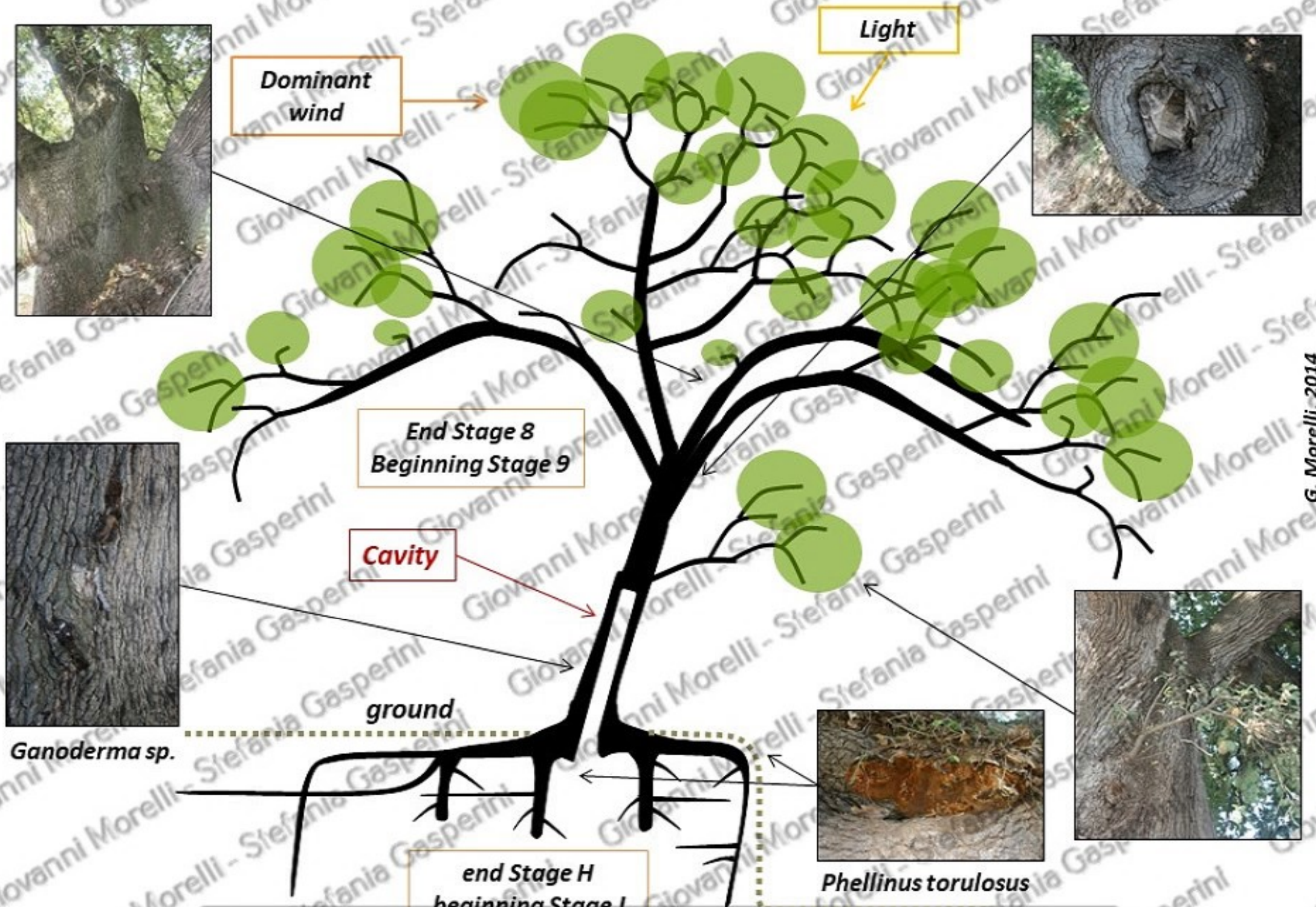
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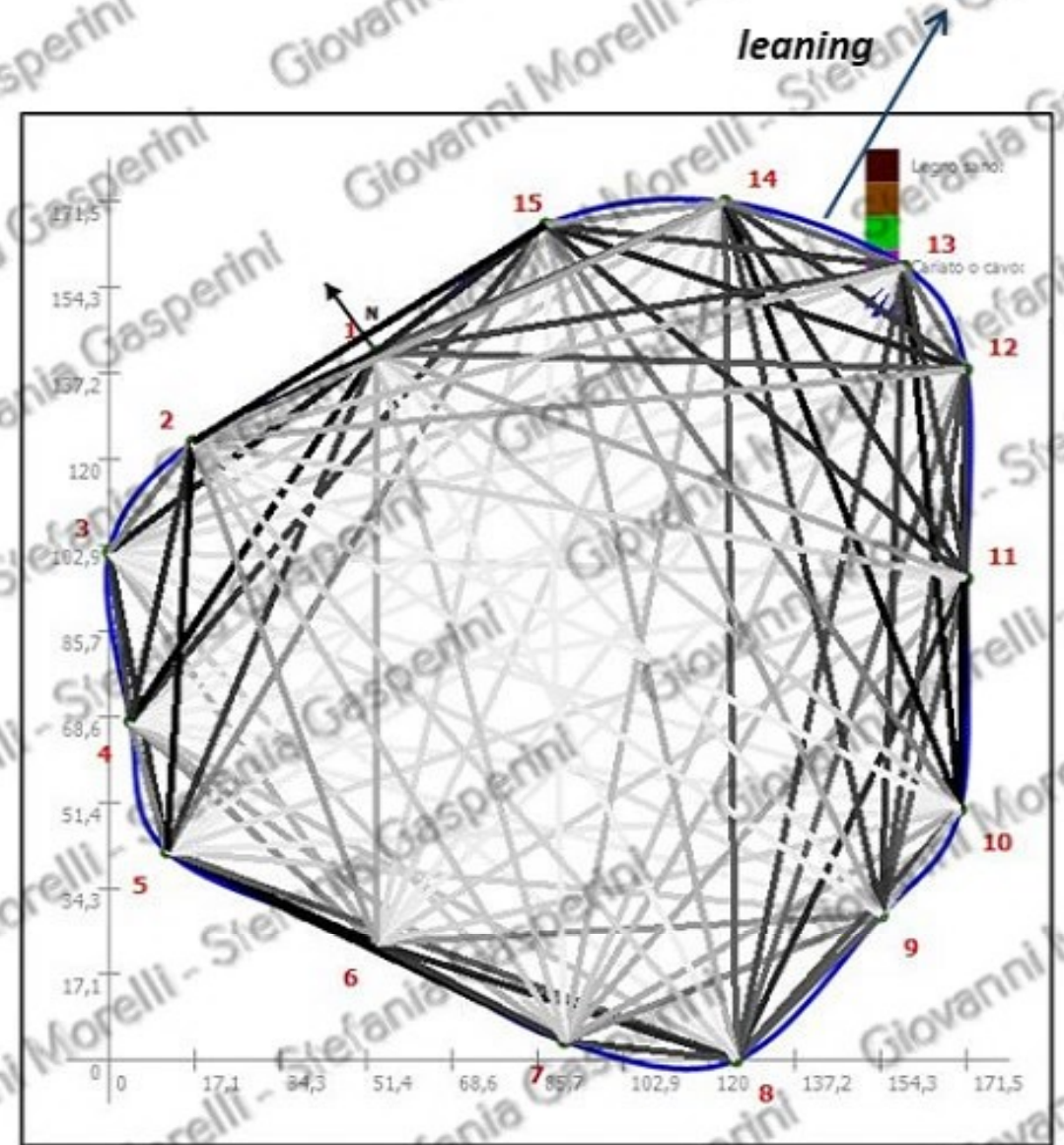
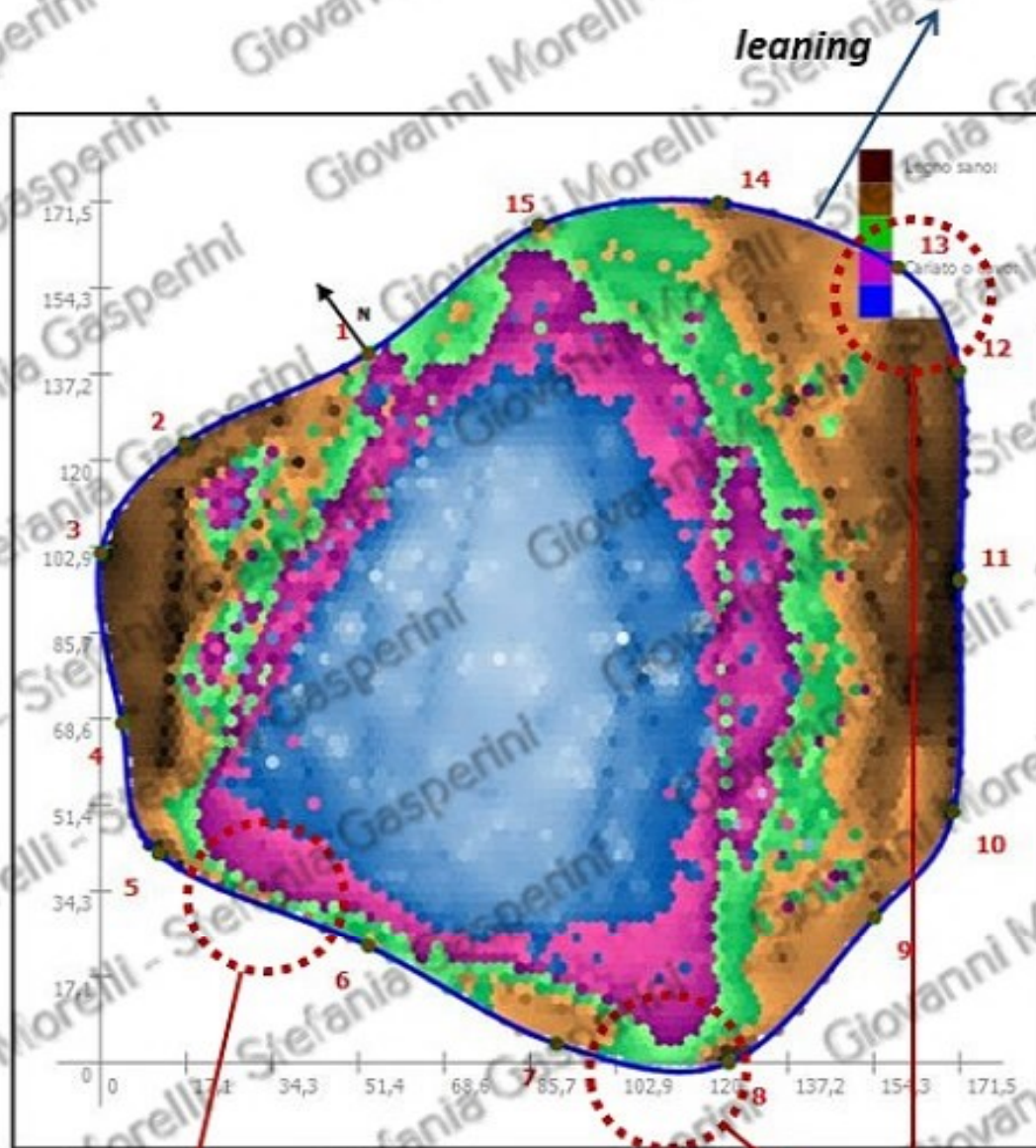
The phenotypic level of the form : adaptive, corrective and reparative modifications



Visual assessment: looking for clinic features



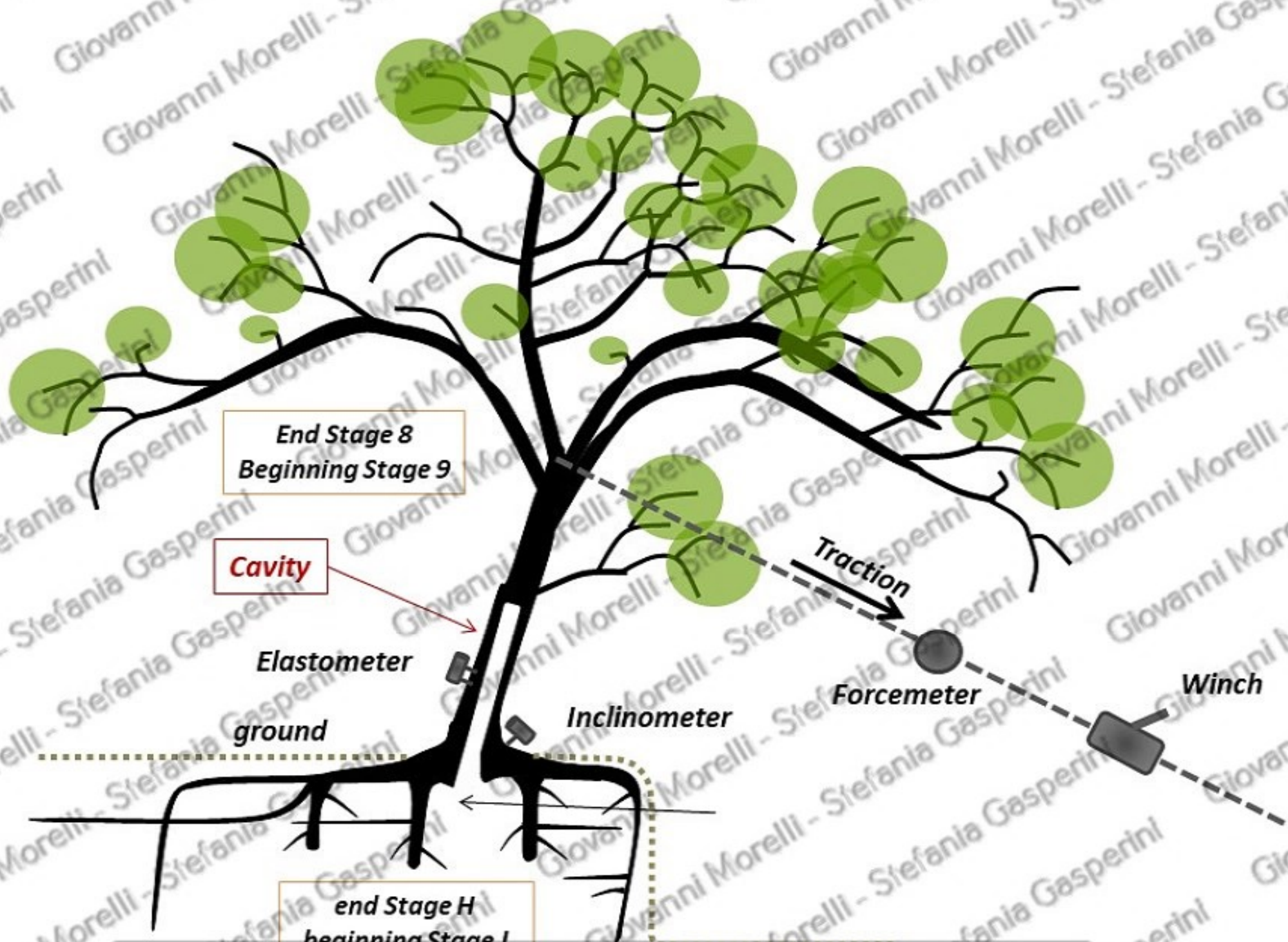
Sonic tomograph analysis of the Downy Oak in Campiglione (trunk base 60 cm)



Ganoderma sp.
(trunk base/trunk 110 cm)

Phellinus torulosus
(root flare 0 cm)

Pulling test of the Downy Oak in Campiglione



Pulling test of the Downy Oak in Campiglione

Analisi del carico del vento secondo DIN 1055-4

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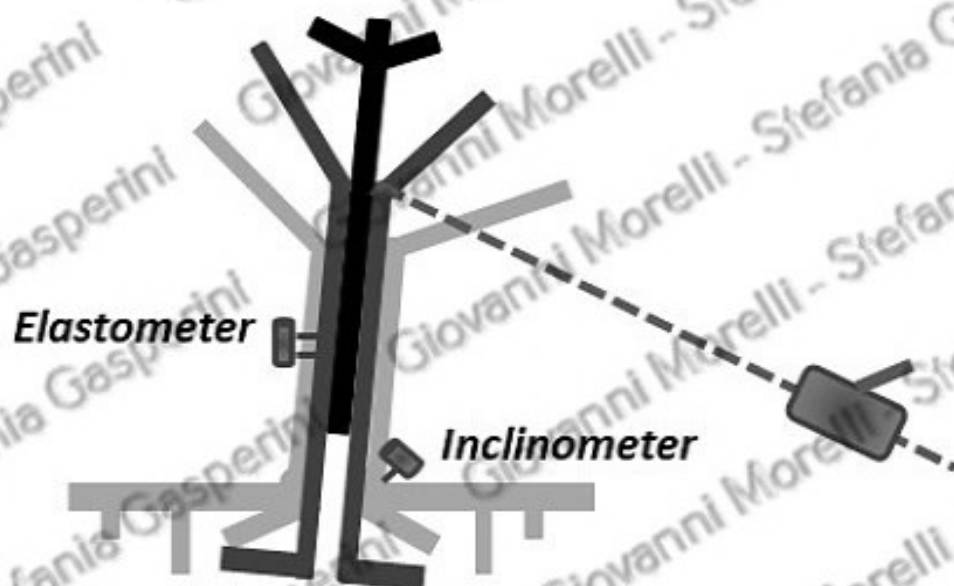
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Nome progetto	Loc. Campiglione	Località Campiglione		
Numero progetto		63900 Fermo, Italia		
Data del test	22/10/13	Altitudine sul livello del mare	319 m	
Dati dell'albero		Proprietà del materiale applicate		
Specie	Quercus pubescens	secondo	Quercus robur	
Circonferenza del fusto	515 cm	Fonte	Stuttgart	
Diametro del fusto in 1 m di altezza	127 cm	Resistenza a compressione	28 MPa	
Spessore della corteccia	4 cm	Modulo di elasticità	6900 MPa	
Altezza dell'albero	16,7 m	Limite di elasticità	0,41 %	
		Densità del legno verde	1,03 g/cm ³	
Sagoma della chioma				



Dirazione del carico	NE
Analisi dell'area di superficie	
Base della chioma	3,9 m
Altezza effettiva	11,6 m
Area della superficie totale	290 m ²
Eccentricità della chioma	1,32 m
Parametri strutturali applicati	
Resistenza aerodinamica	0,25
Frequenza propria	0,8 Hz
Diminuzione di smorzamento	0,7
Fattore di forma	0,8
Parametri del luogo applicati	
Zona di vento	Ert 12
Valore della velocità progettuale del vento	22,5 m/s
Densità dell'aria	1,24 kg/m ³
Terreno	Campagna
Esponente profilo del vento	0,16
Fattore di prossimità per effetti del vento vicino al terreno	1
Fattore per l'esposizione	1,00

Risultati

Analisi del carico del vento		Analisi statica dell'albero	
Pressione media del vento	21,6 kN	Peso proprio dell'albero	16,1 t
Fattore di reazione alle ramificazioni	2,03	Livello di cavità critico	95 %
Centro di carico	9 m	Spessore della parete critico	4 cm
Momento torcente	58 kNm	assumendo una parete residua integra	
Carico del vento	396 kNm	Fattore di sicurezza di base	12,2



Basic safety factor:

12.2

Tipping stability safety factor:

20.52, 3.18, 6.66, 13.23

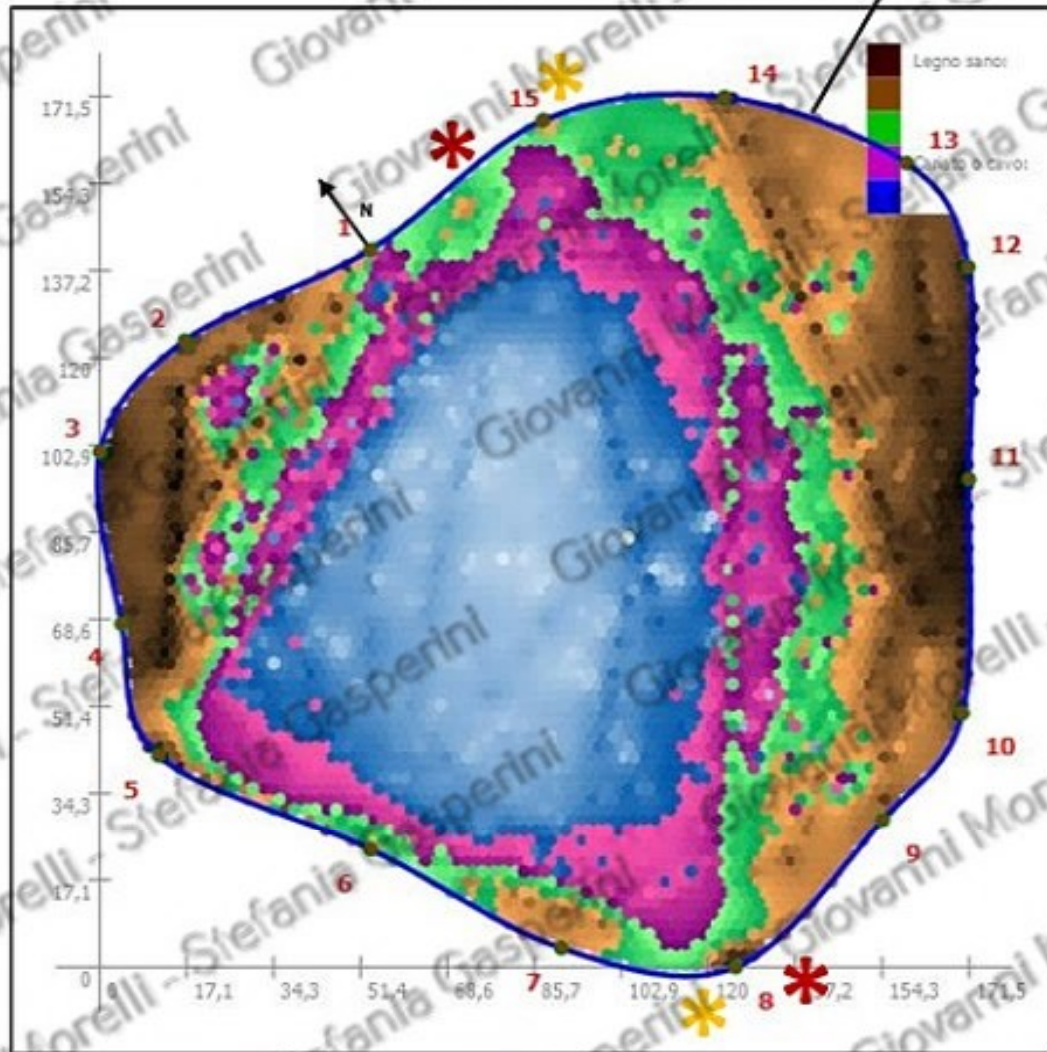
Breaking stability safety factor:

12.77, 6.69, 5.03, 8.66

> 1.5

Integrated assessment: tomograph and pulling test outcomes

Leaning direction of the tree
and pulling test direction



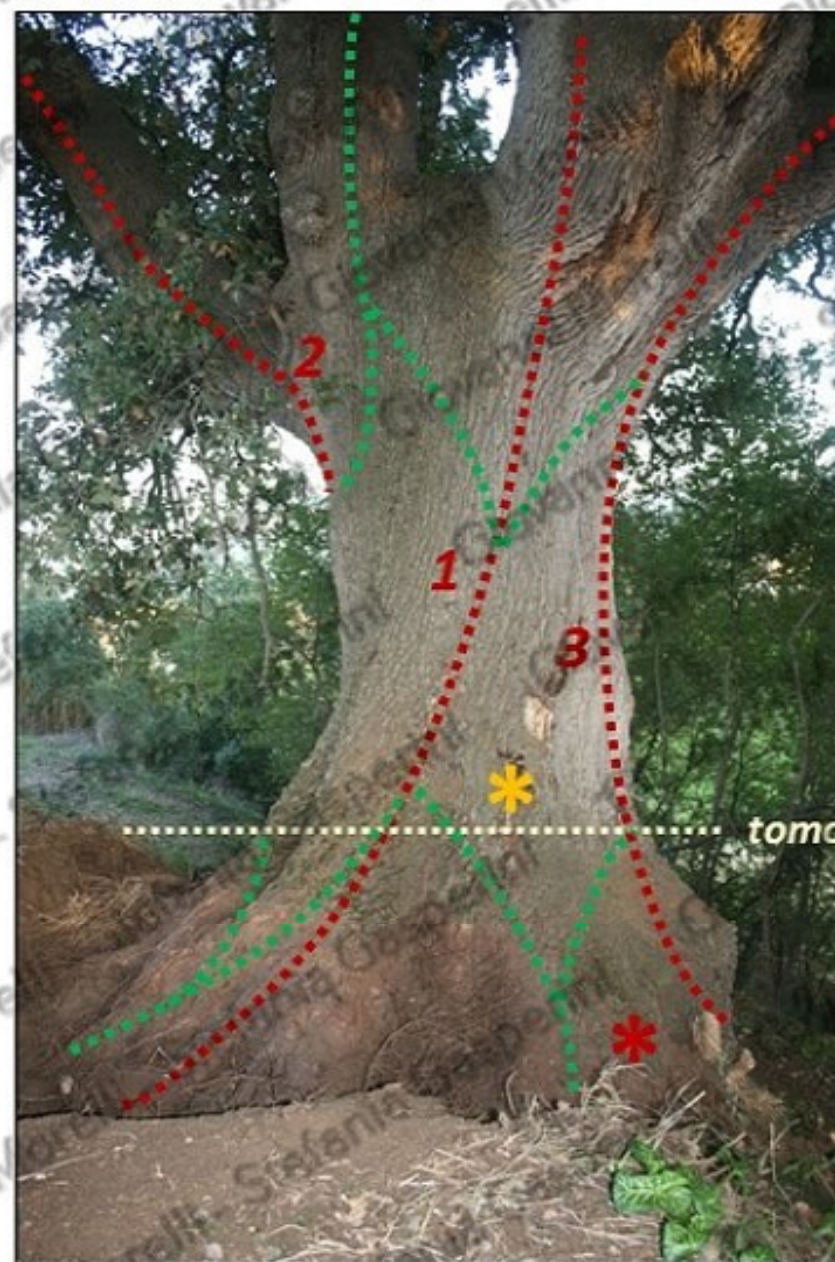
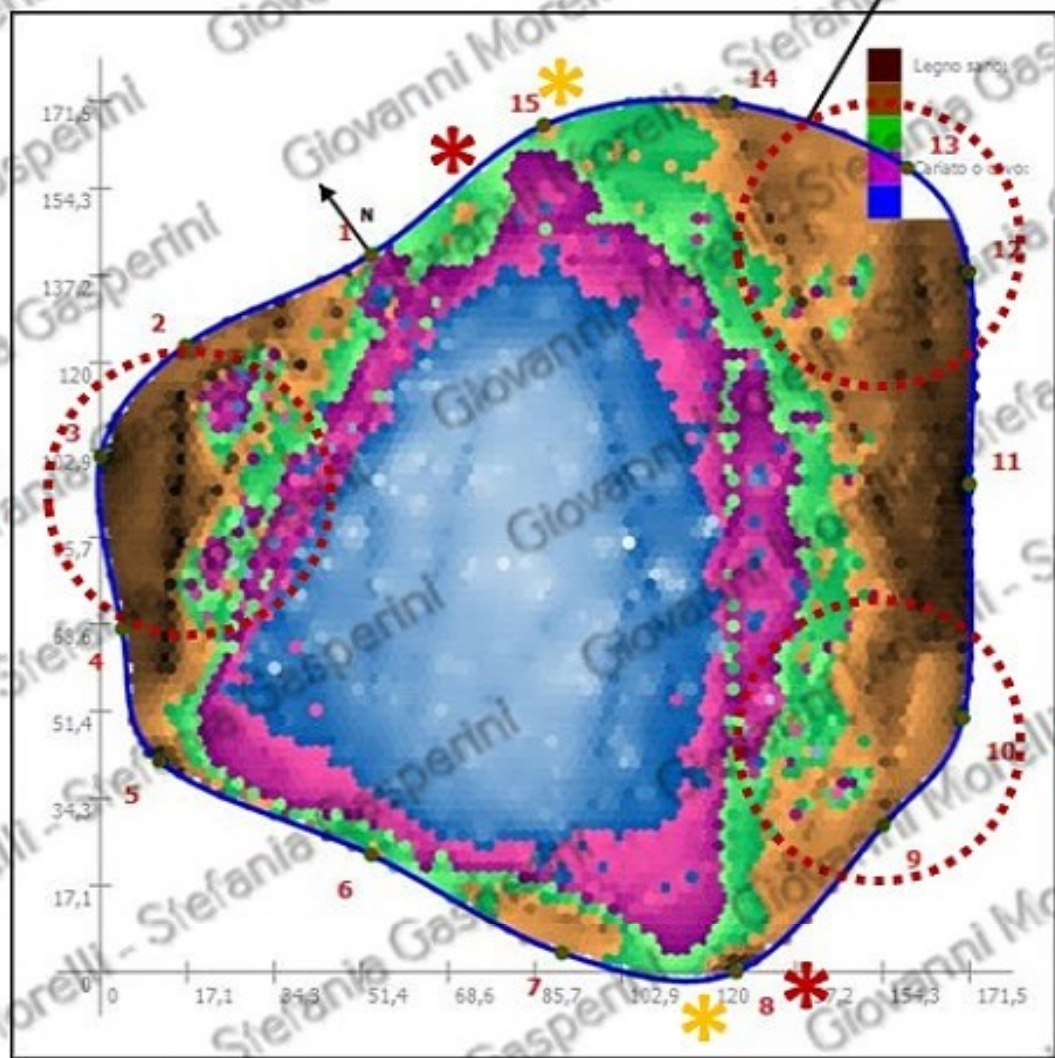
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South-South/West side

Leaning direction of the tree
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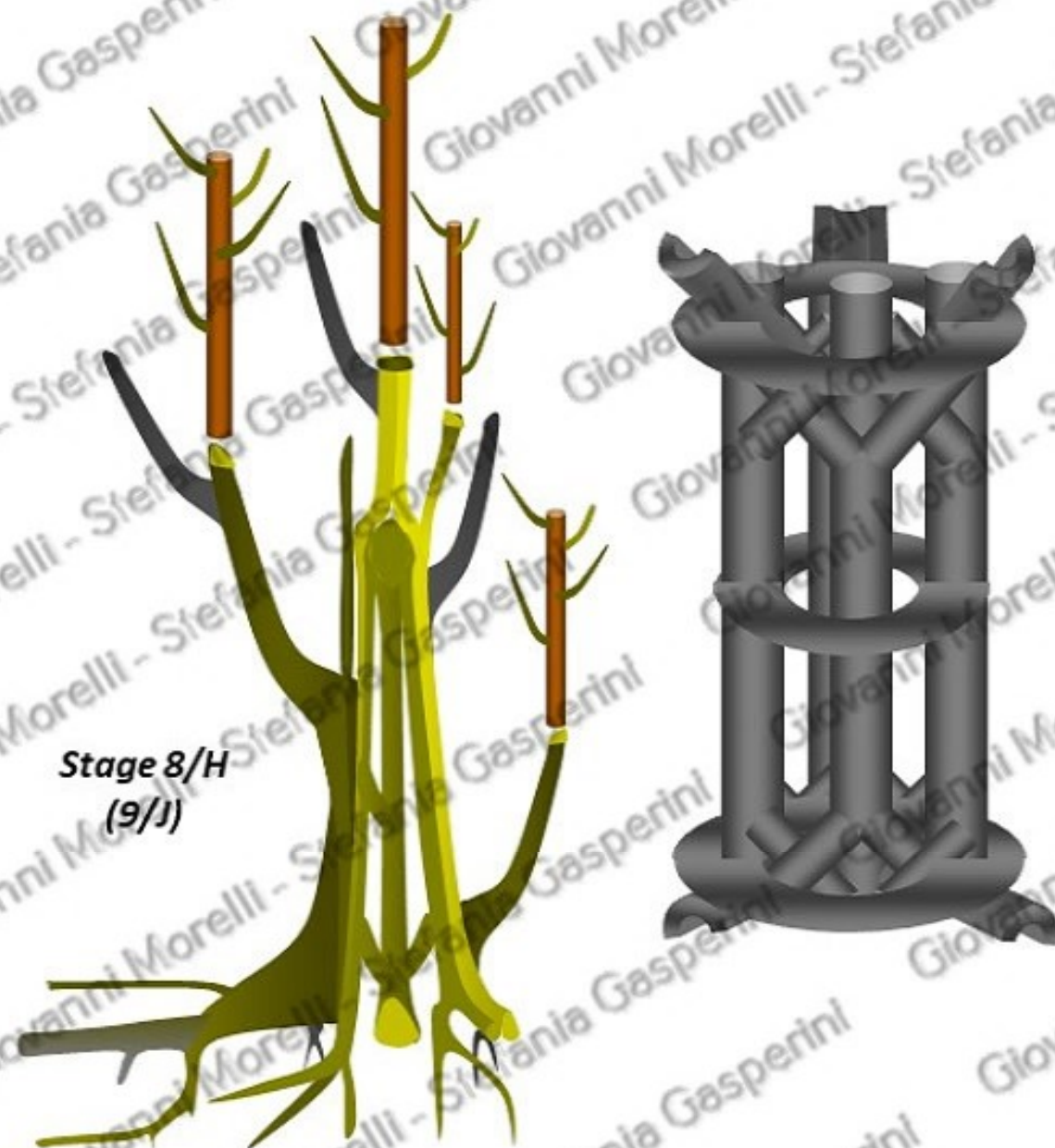
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○ Cambial columns

○ Secondary cambial columns/cambial bridges

South-South/West side

Integrated assessment: tomograph, pulling test outcomes and morphophysiological analysis



Stage 8/H
(9/I)

* **Lowest breaking stability safety factors**

* **Lowest tipping stability safety factor**

Olmo di Lando, detto Olmo Bella

Diametro mt. 33,90

Circonferenza mt. 106,70

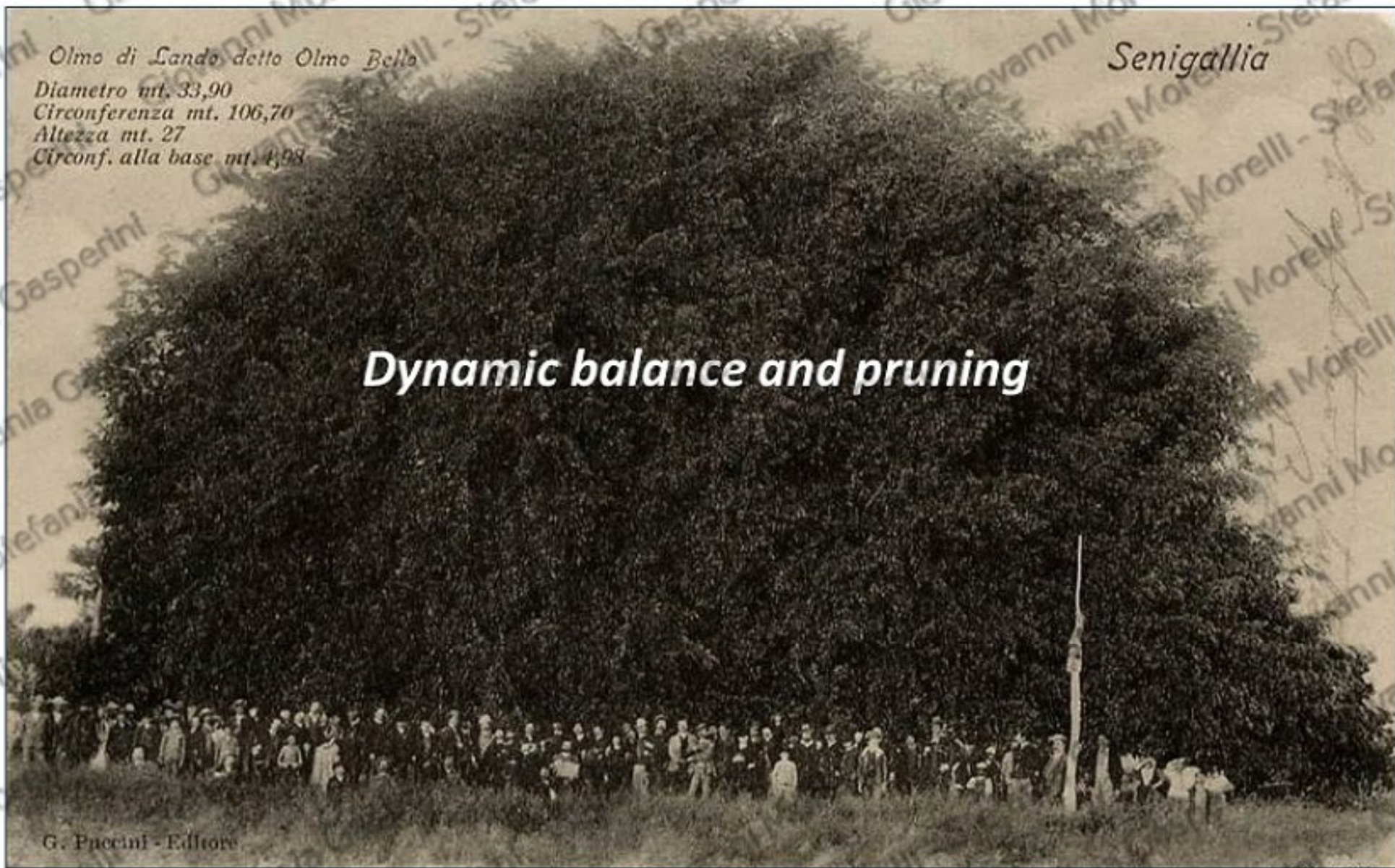
Altezza mt. 27

Circonf. alla base mt. 4,98

Senigallia

Dynamic balance and pruning

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The form as an expression of a dynamic balance

Energy balance

Modularity:
Self-similarity,
Redundancy,
Substitutability,
Subtraction,
Resilience.

**Hormonal
balance**

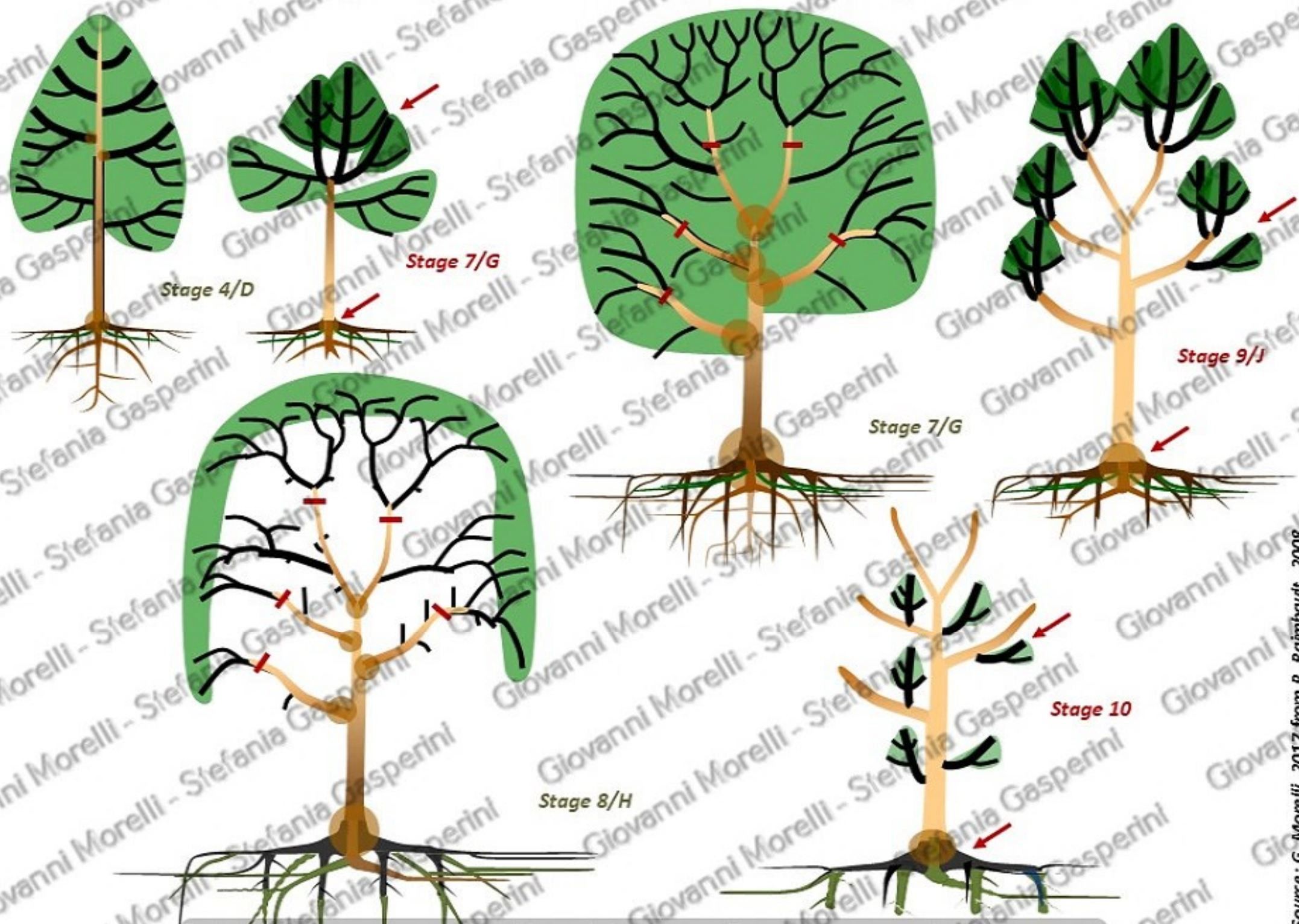
Dynamic balance

**Mechanical
balance**

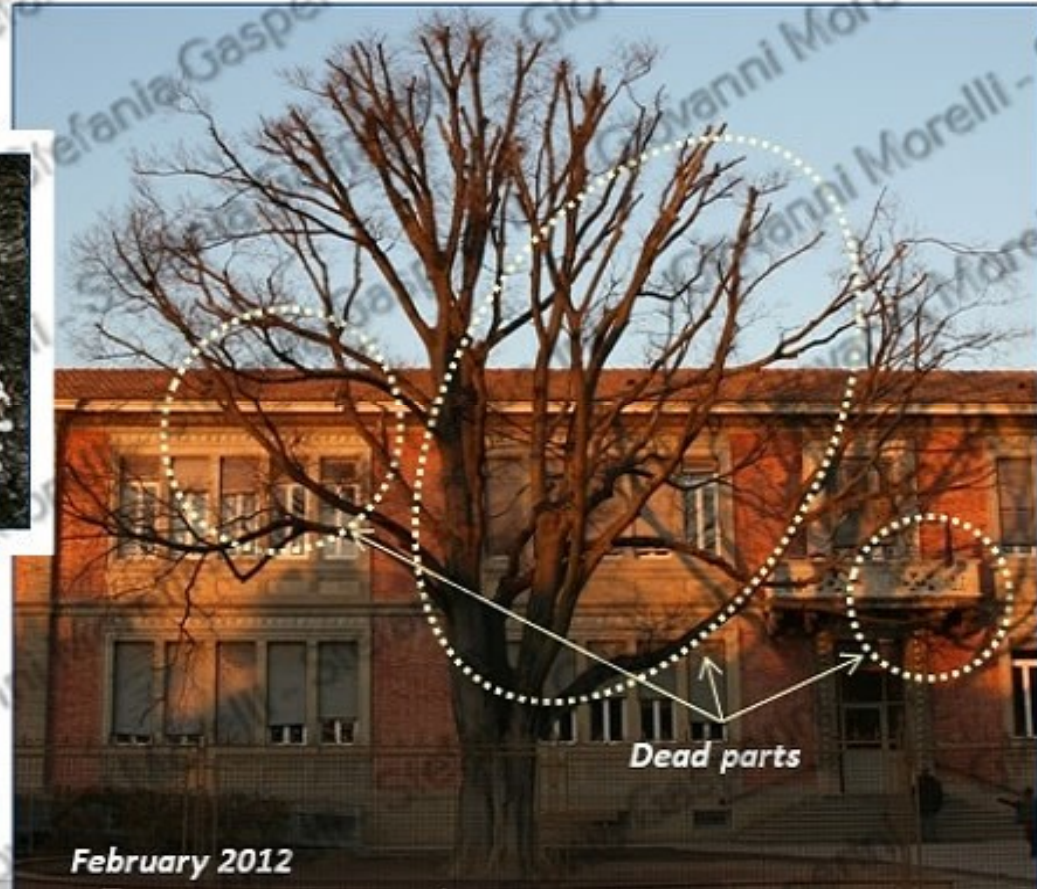
Quercus pubescens. Photo V. Capodarca

Source: G. Morelli; 2012

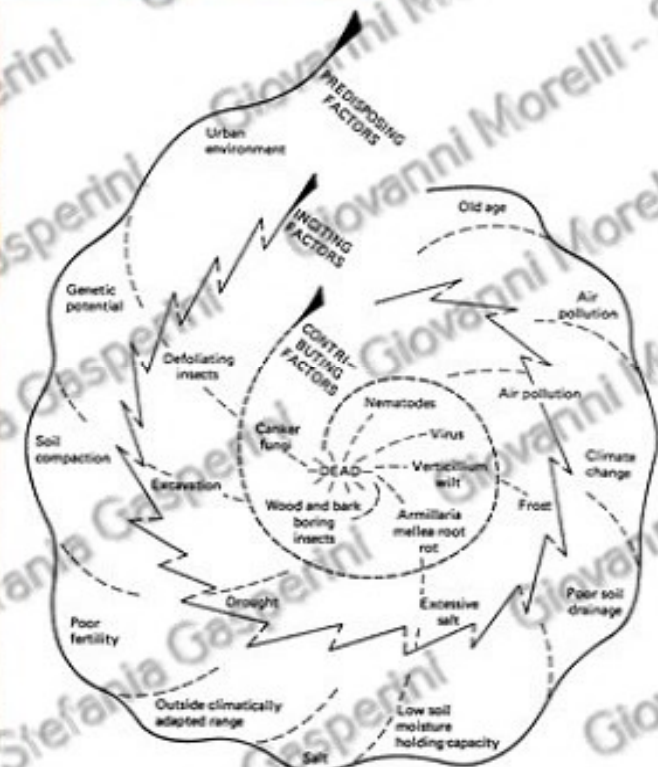
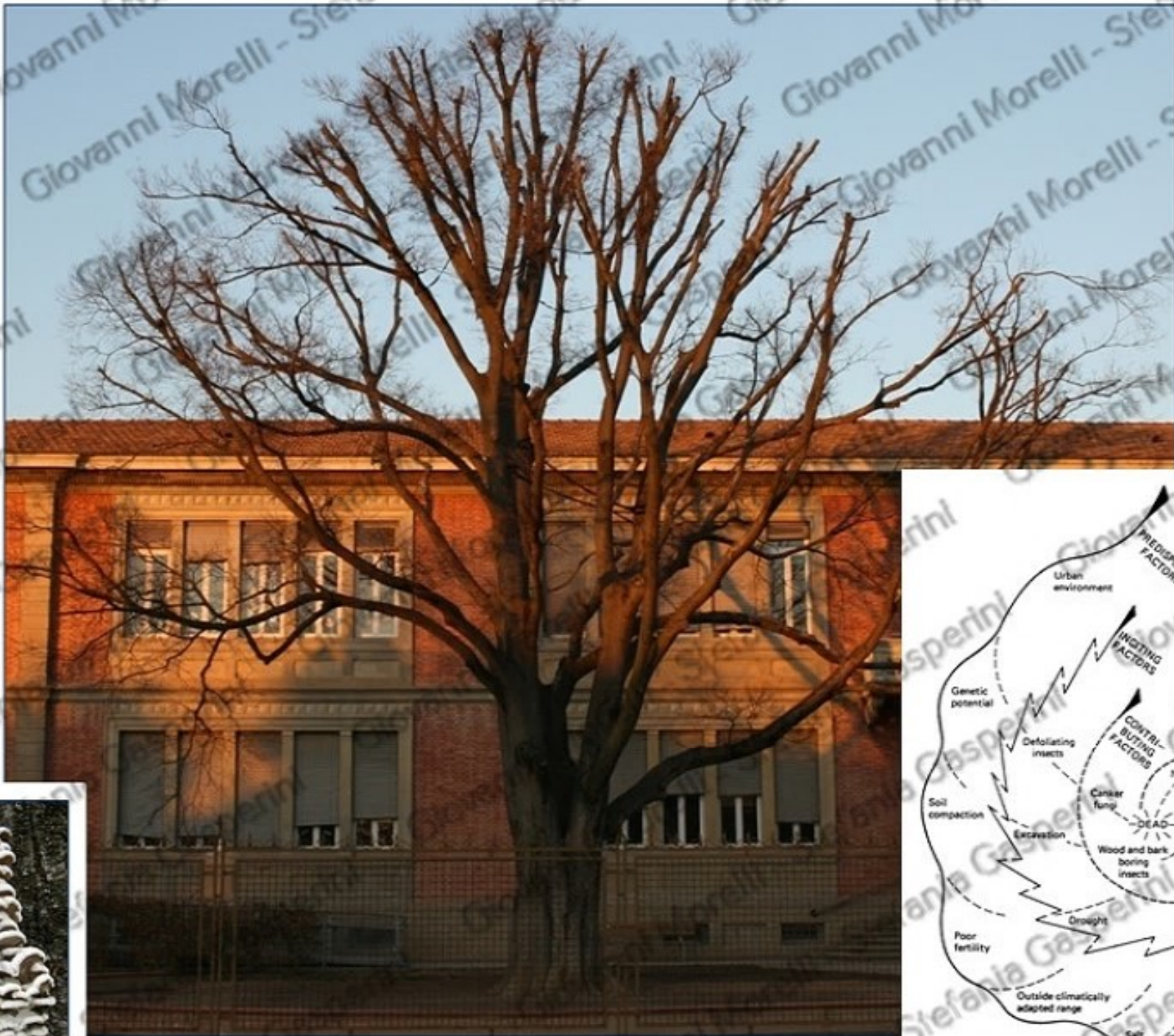
Morphophysiological relativization of pruning in polyarchic species



Energy Imbalance



The spiral of decline



Decline spiral model;

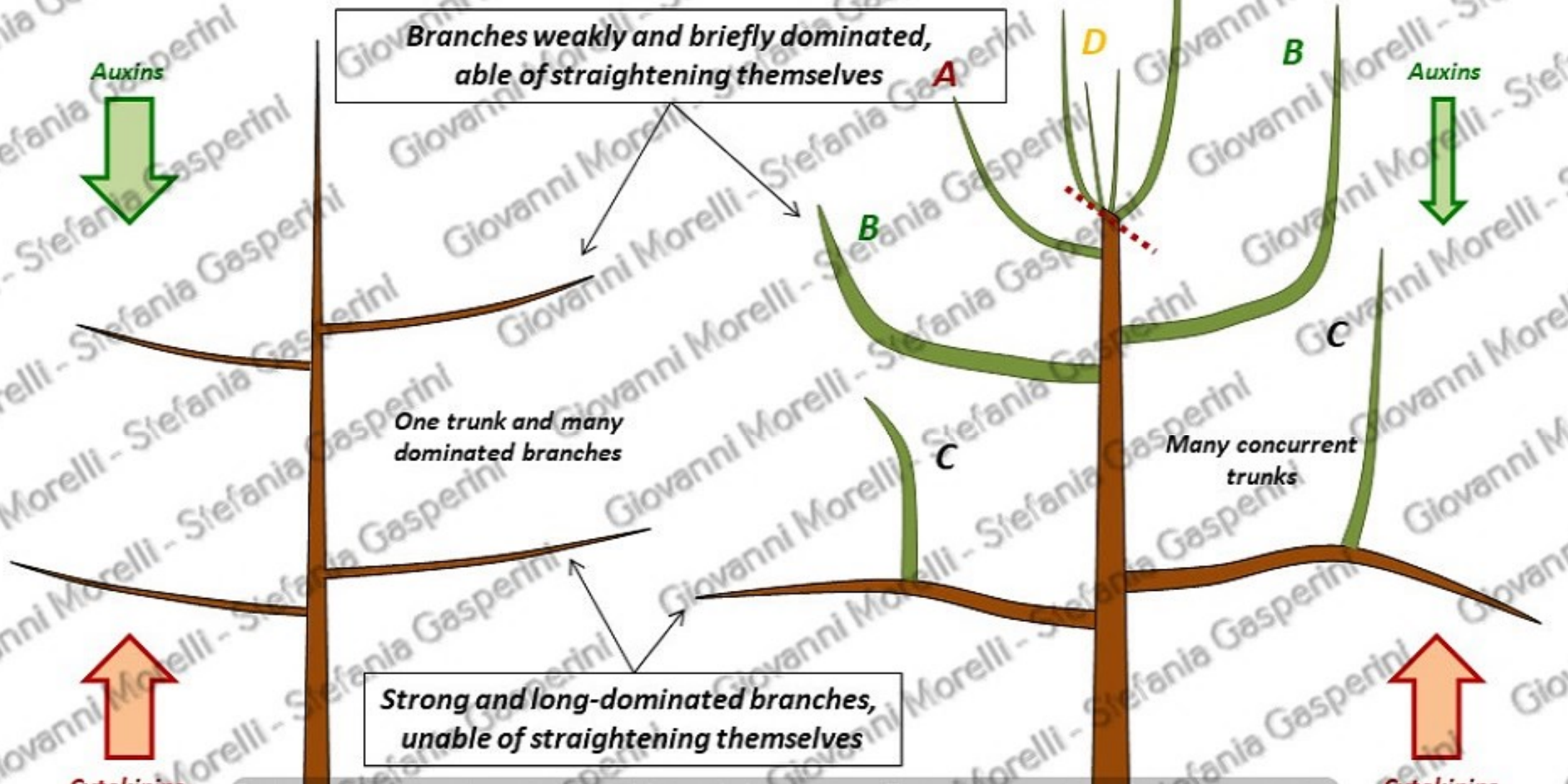
Hormonal imbalance

A: Total straightening of young branches (simultaneous reiterations)

B: Straightening of the end of the adult branches (simultaneous reiterations)

C: Formation of total reiterations (delayed reiterations)

D: Development of adventitious sprouts (traumatic delayed reiterations)



Hormonal imbalance in trees with strong hierarchy



Total reiteration of a branch

trauma (about 20 years ago)

Simultaneous total reiteration at the end of a branch

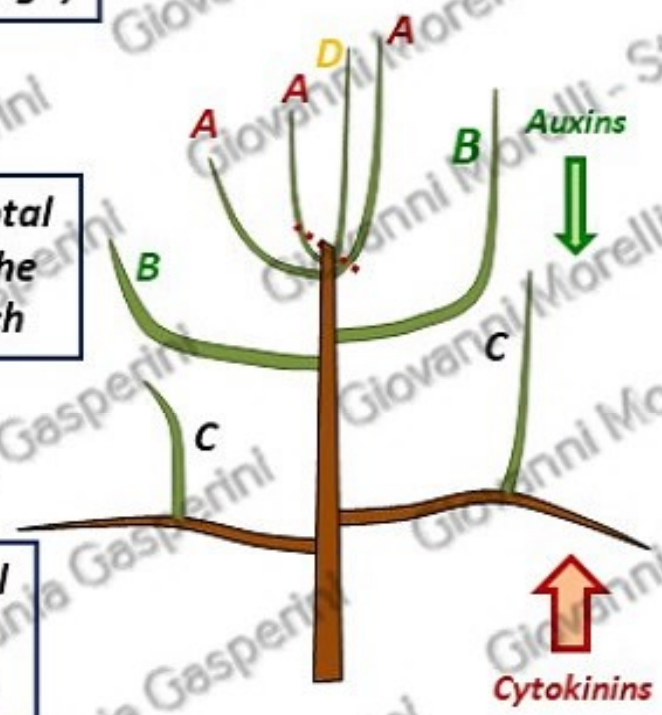
Delayed total reiteration on a branch

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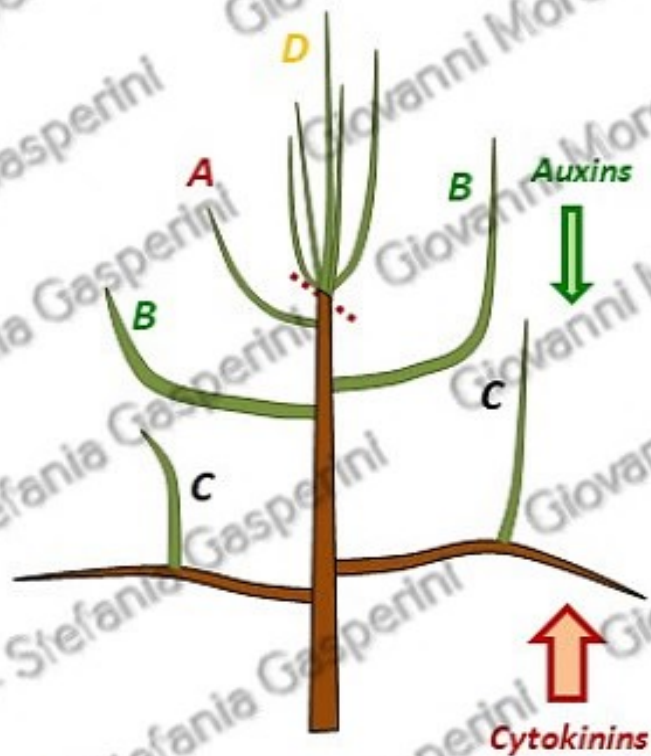
D : Sviluppo di vegetazione avventizia (reit. ritardate traumatiche)



Cytokinins

Hormonal imbalance in polyarchic trees

D : Development of adventitious sprouts
(traumatic delayed reiterations)



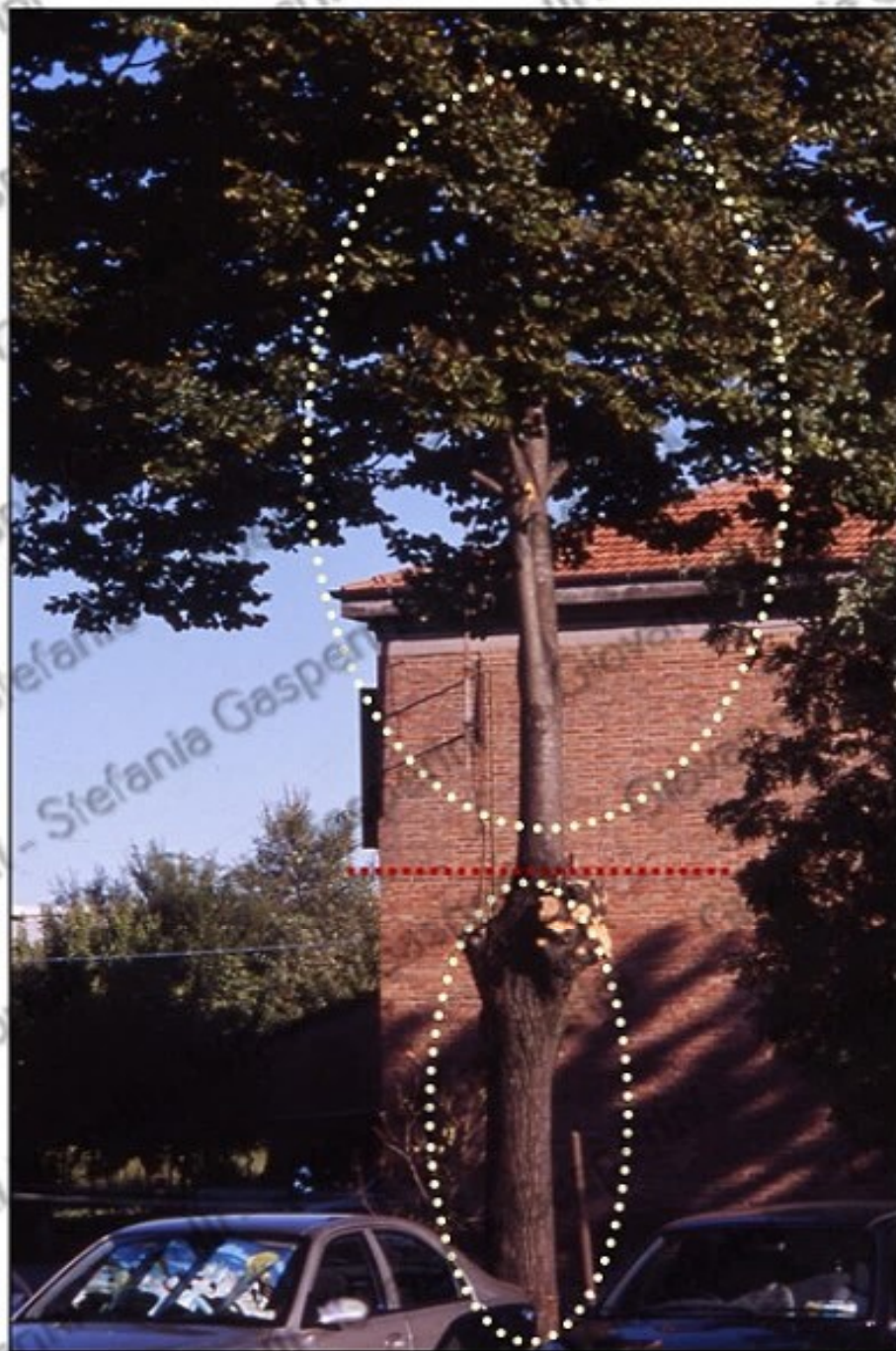
Tilia, Bologna 2011



Hormonal imbalance: evolution of adventitious sprouts and second clonality

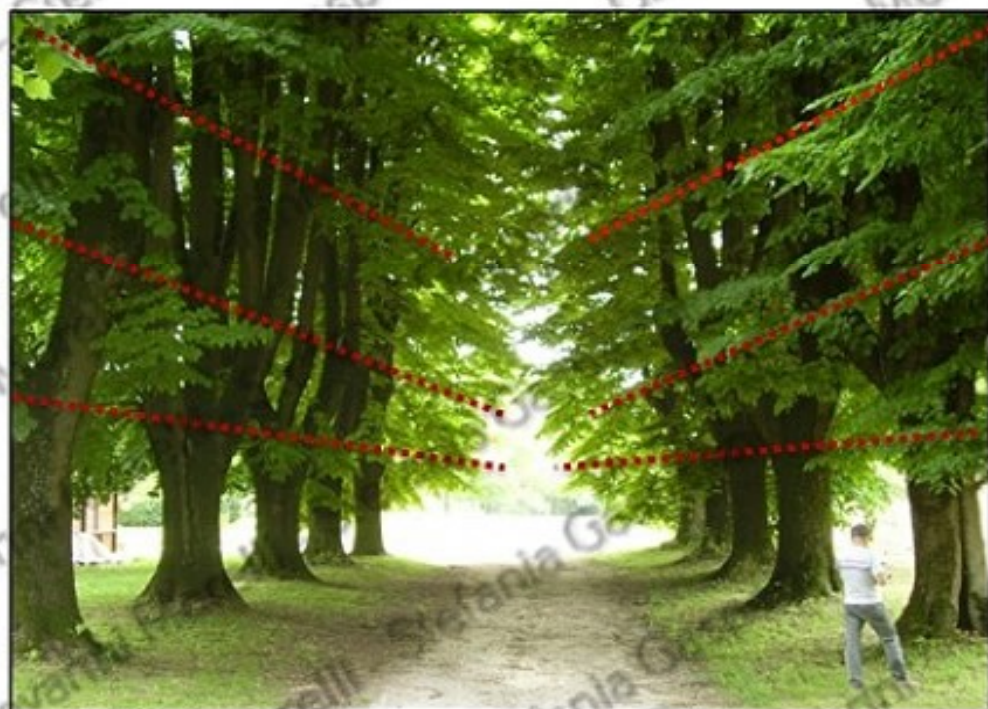


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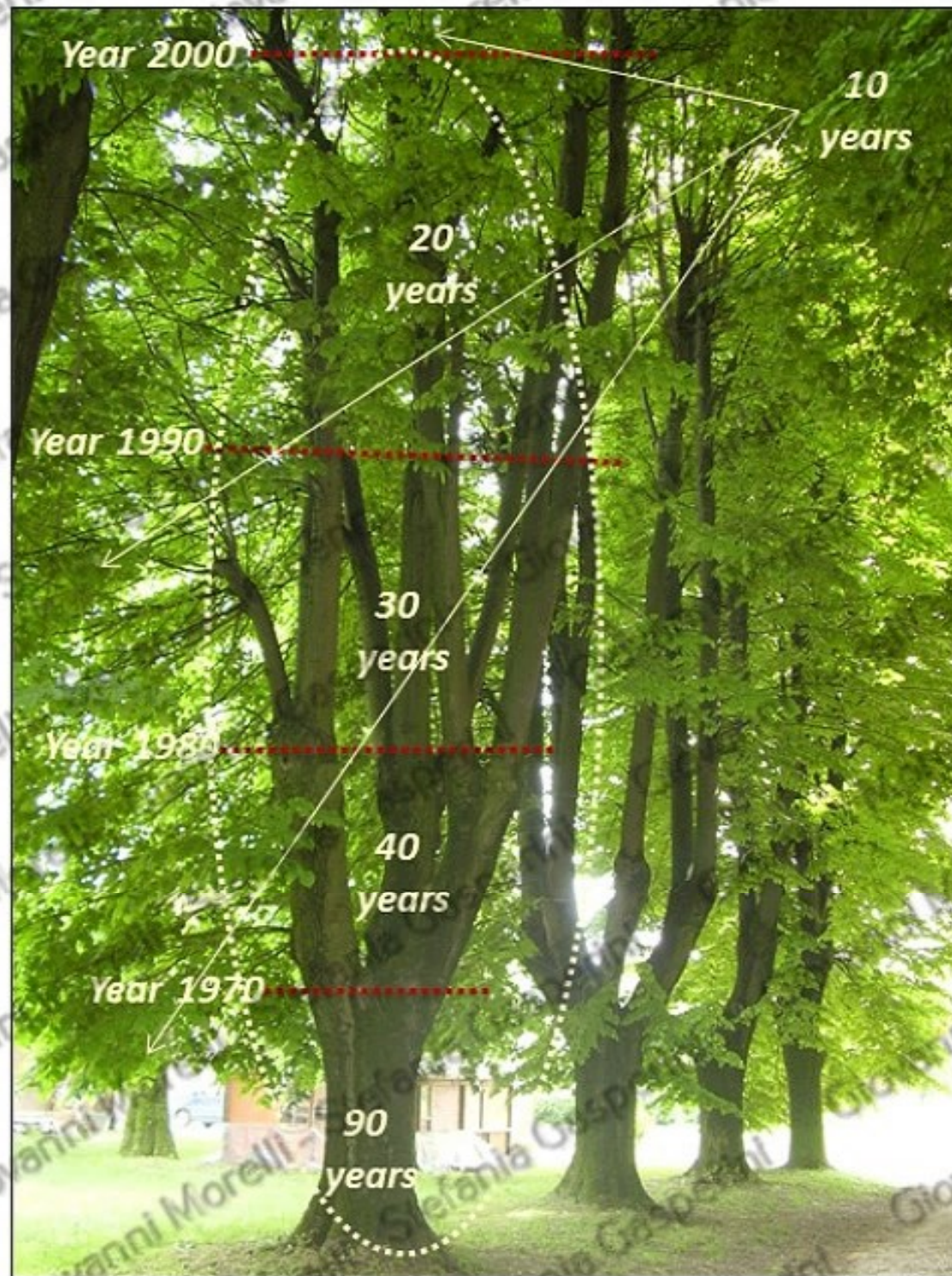


Tilia, Ferrara

Hormonal imbalance: evolution of adventitious sprouts and second clonality



Tilia: Maglia (MN) June 2010



Hormonal imbalance: evolution of adventitious sprouts, second clonality and second hierarchy



Tilia, Ferrara 2013

→ Topping cuts

Does anybody remember? The reconstruction of the London Plane trees of Piazza Martiri in Reggio Emilia



G. Morelli 2019

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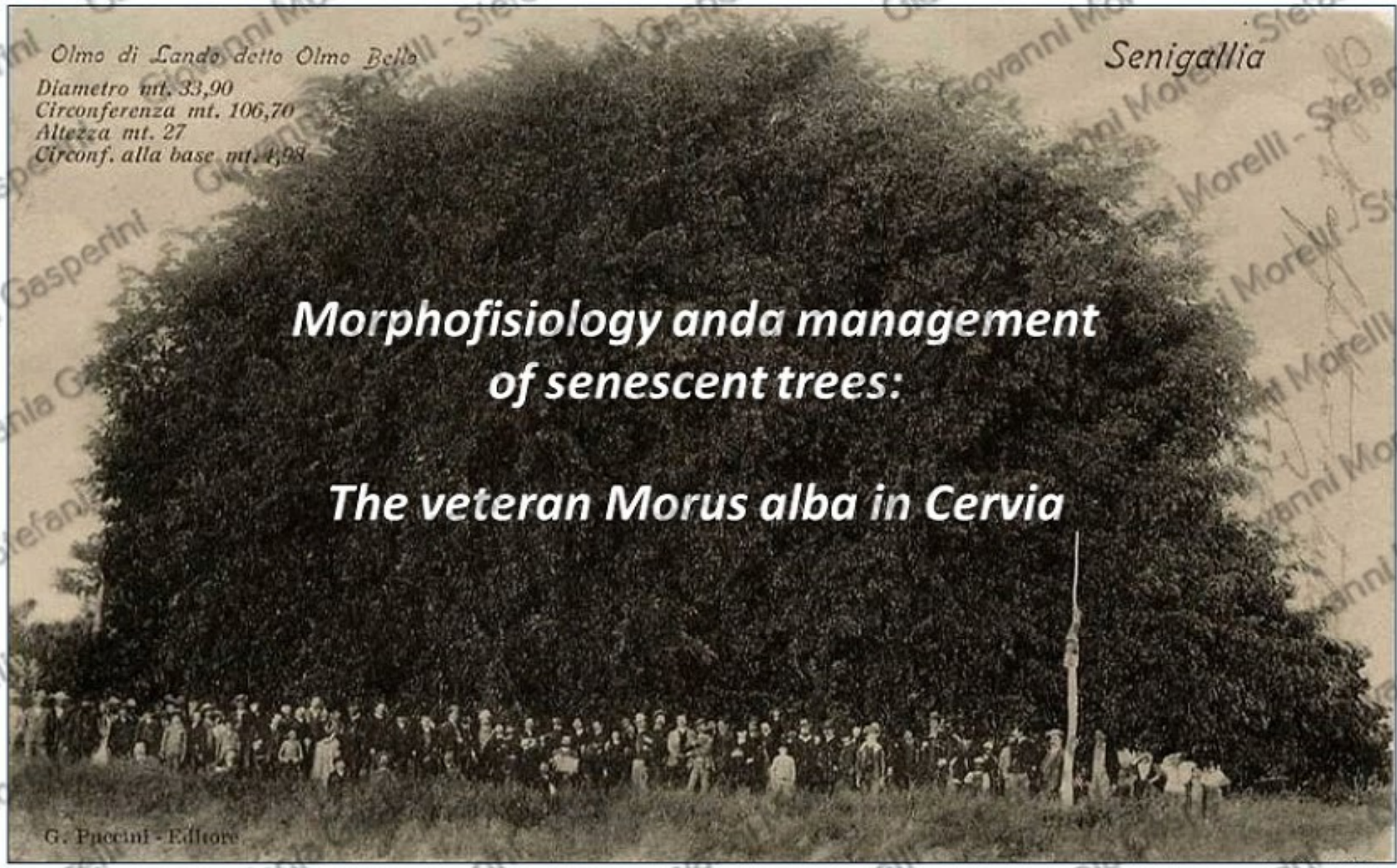
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Senigallia

***Morphofisiology and management
of senescent trees:***

The veteran Morus alba in Cervia

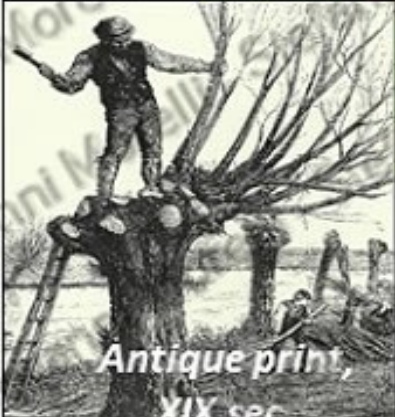
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The Morus alba in Cervia



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Antique print,
XIX sec.

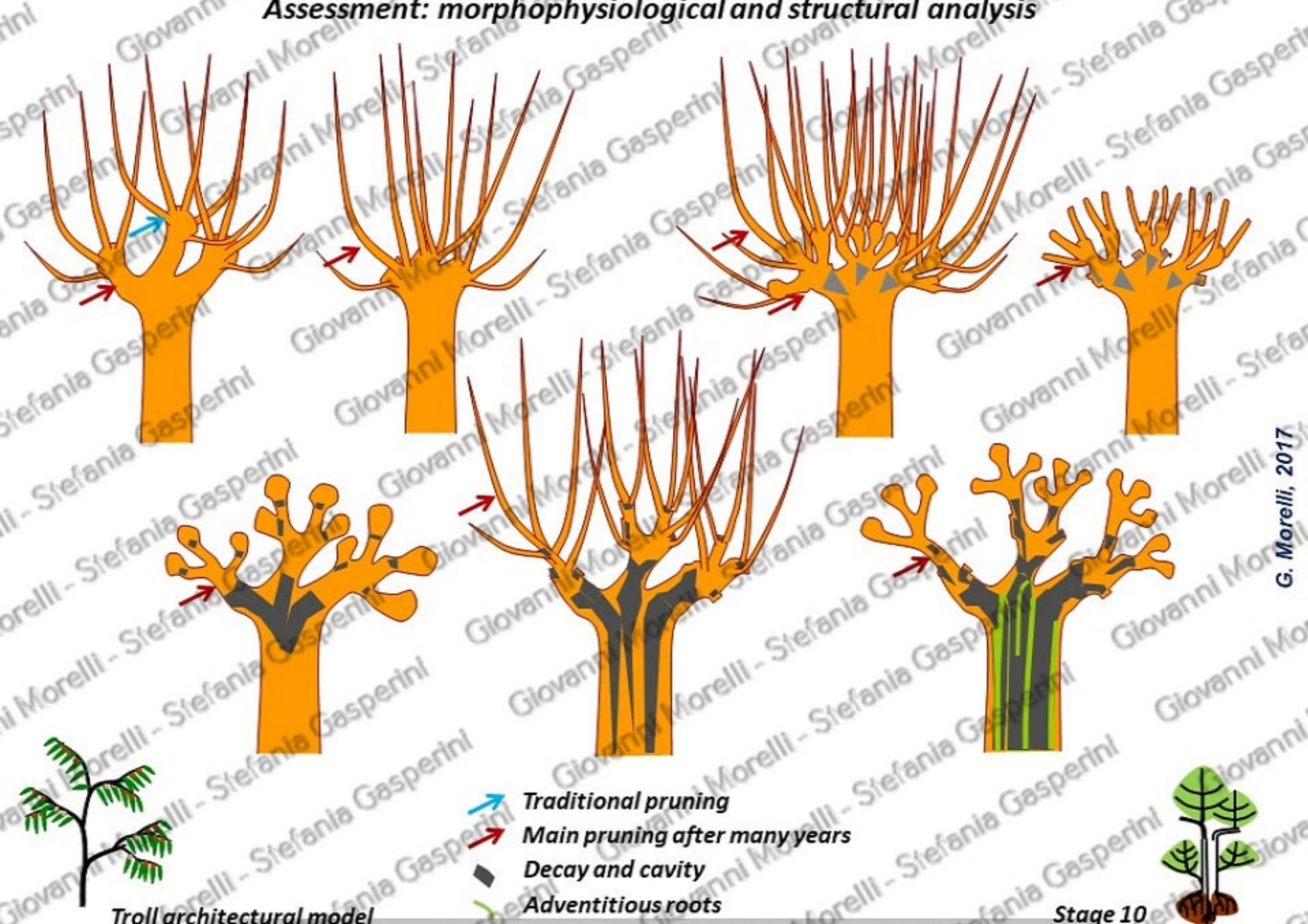


1995, transplanting



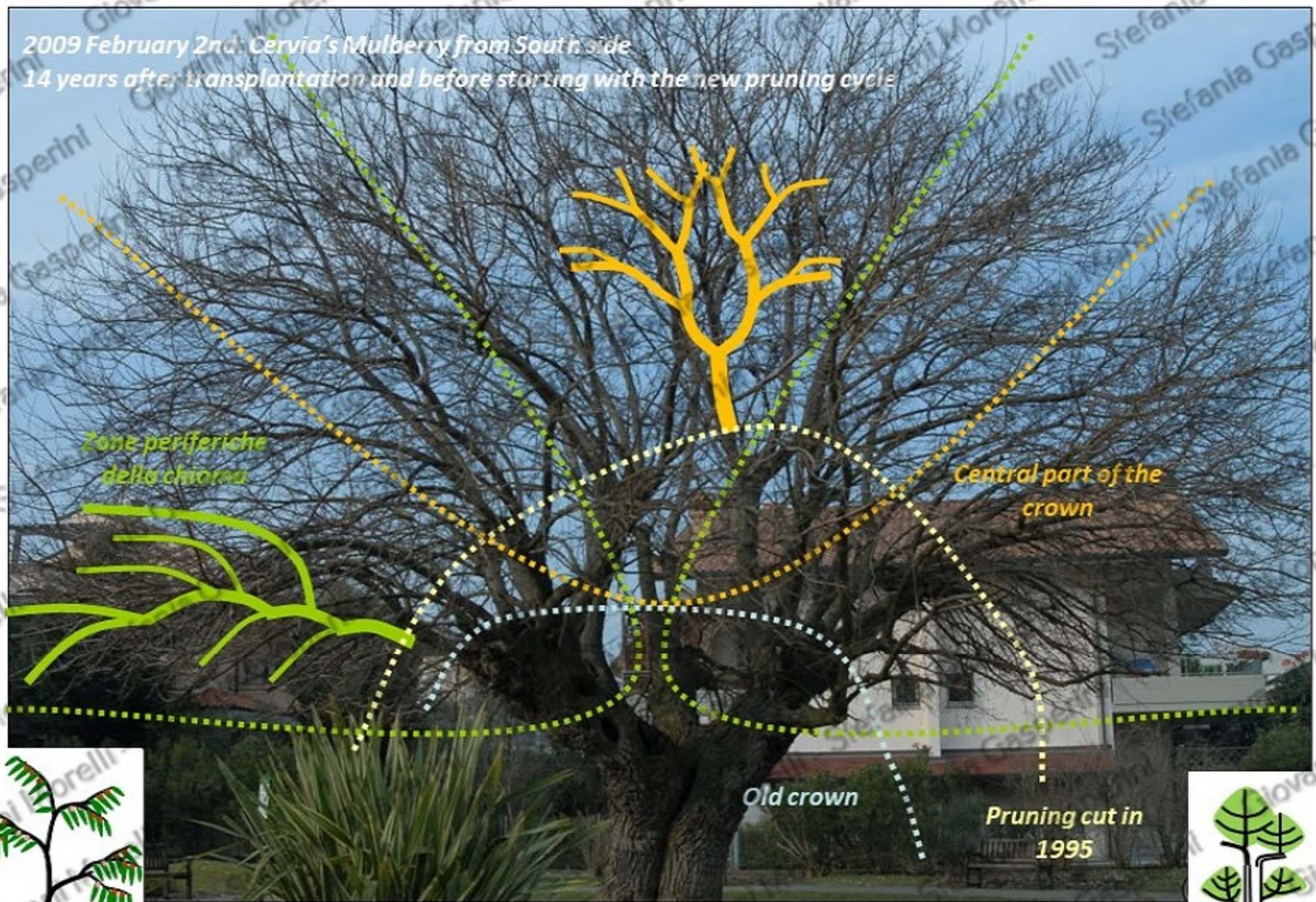
2009

Assessment: morphophysiological and structural analysis



Assessment: morphophysiological and structural analysis

2009 February 2nd: Cervia's Mulberry from South side
14 years after transplantation and before starting with the new pruning cycle



Zone periferiche della chioma

Central part of the crown

Old crown

Pruning cut in 1995



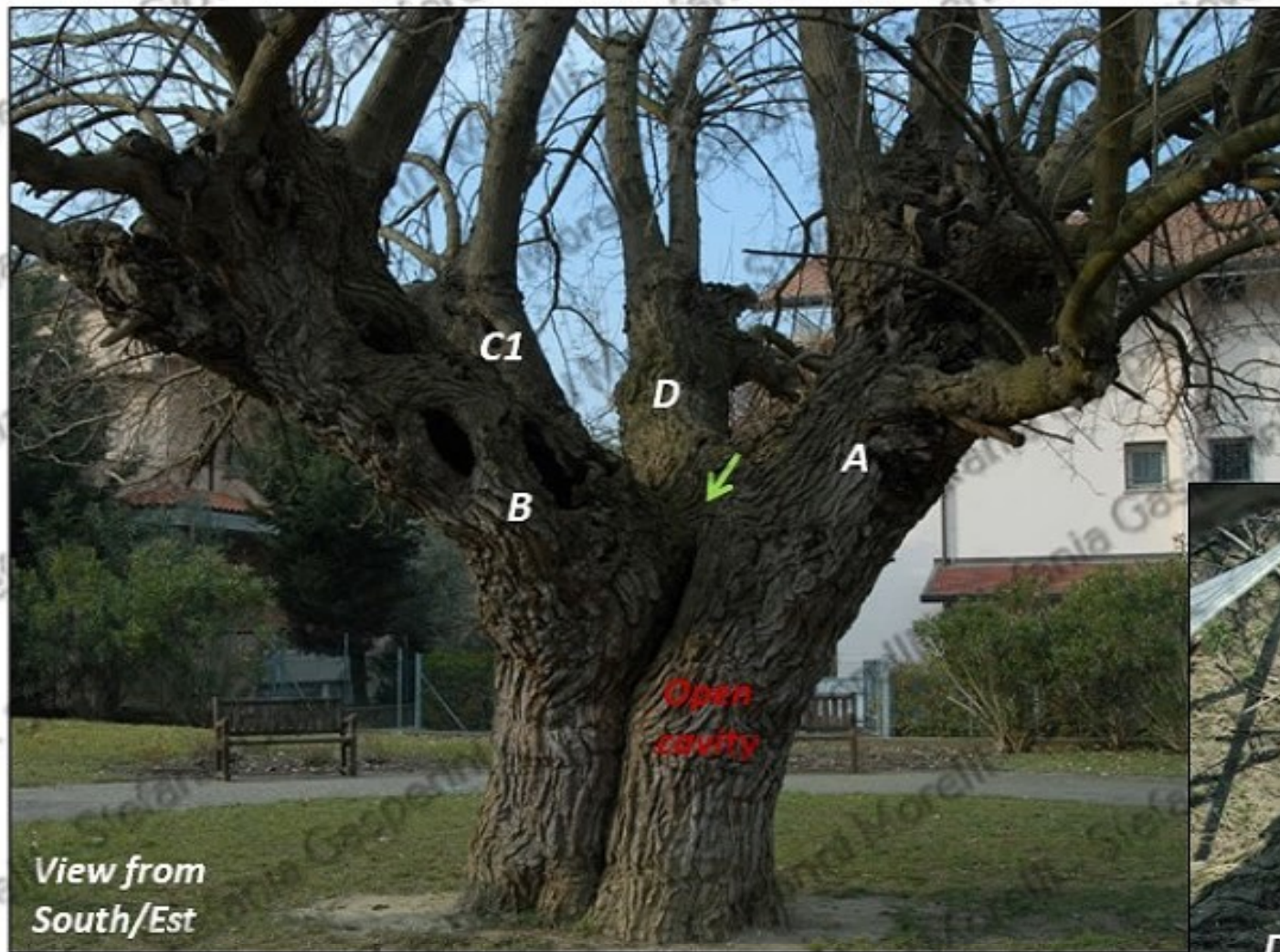
Troll architectural model






Stage 10

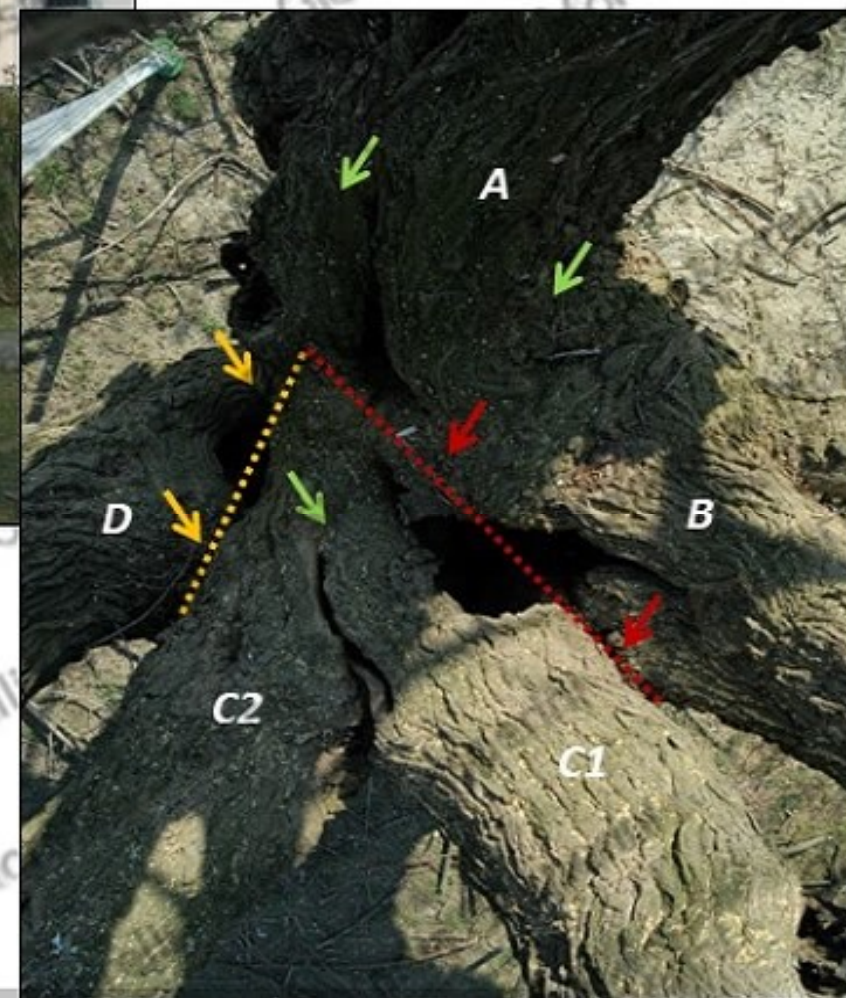
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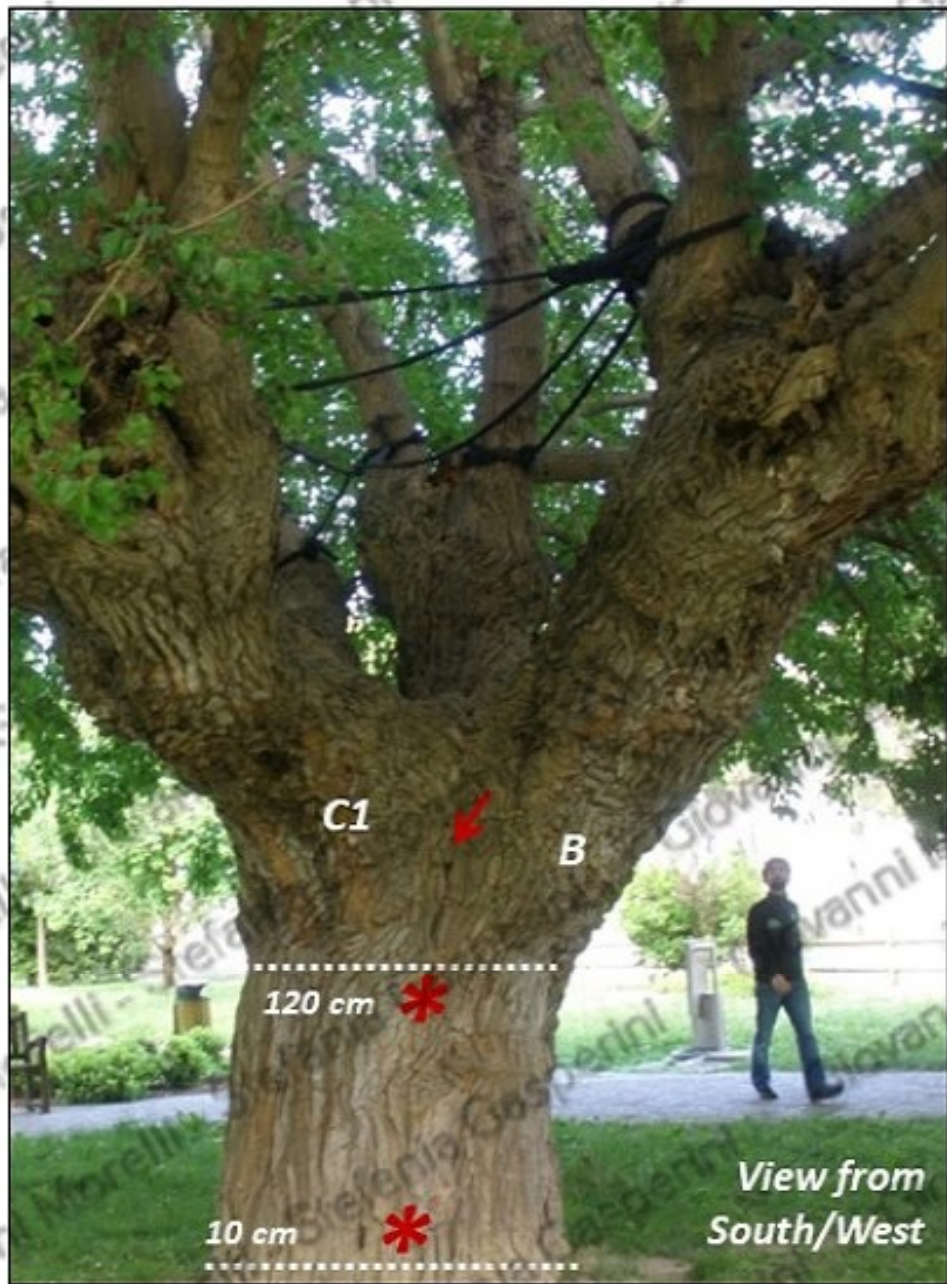


View from South/Est

-  Strong cambial bridge
 -  Weak cambial bridge
 -  Almost absent cambial bridges
- A, B, C1, C2, D Main cambial columns



Assessment: morphophysiological and structural analysis

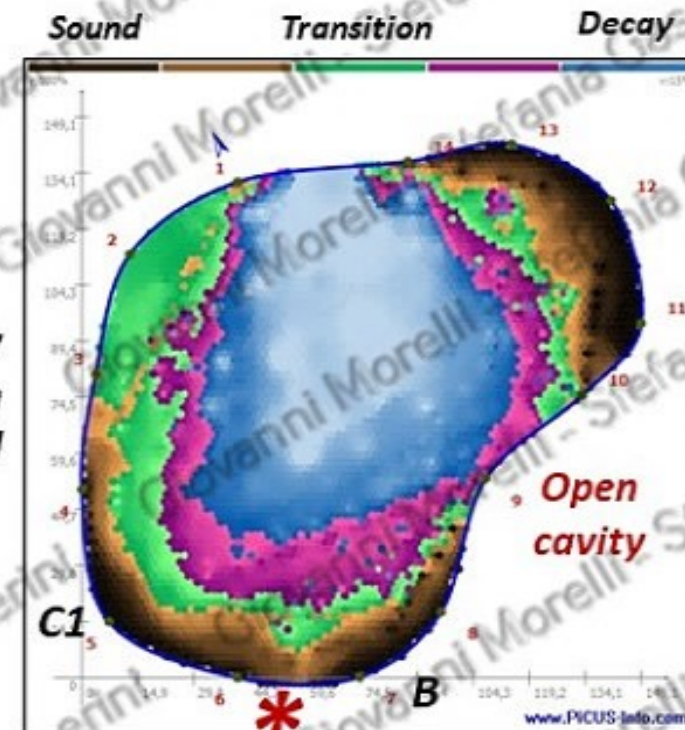


* Weak points

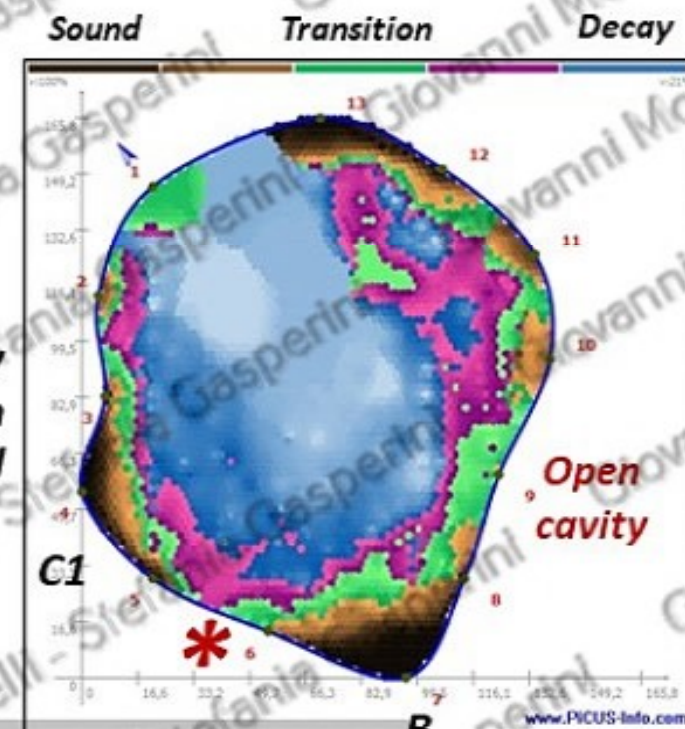
✓ Almost absent cambial bridges

B, C1 Main cambial columns

Sonic tomography
120 cm from
the ground



Sonic tomography
10 cm from
the ground



Structural failure



* Weak points

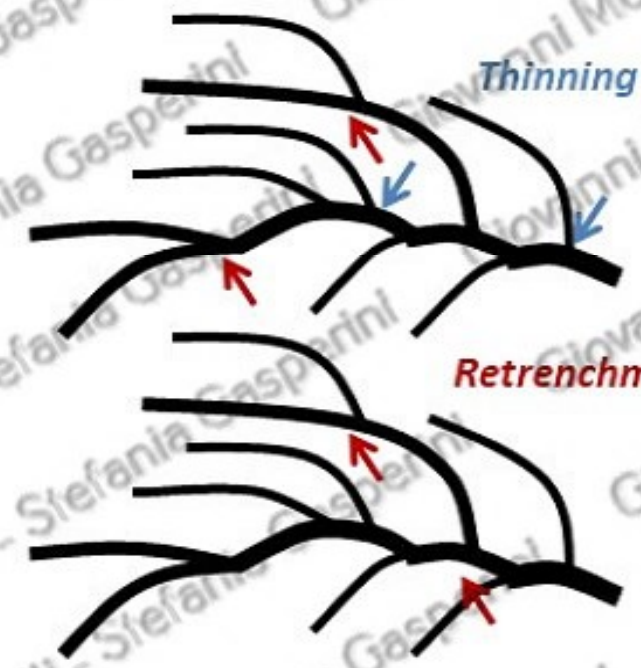
↘ Almost absent cambial bridges

A, B, C1, C2, D Main cambial columns

First step: pruning



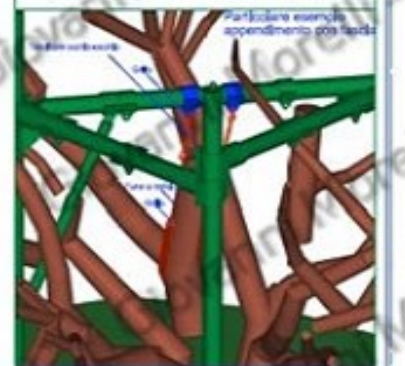
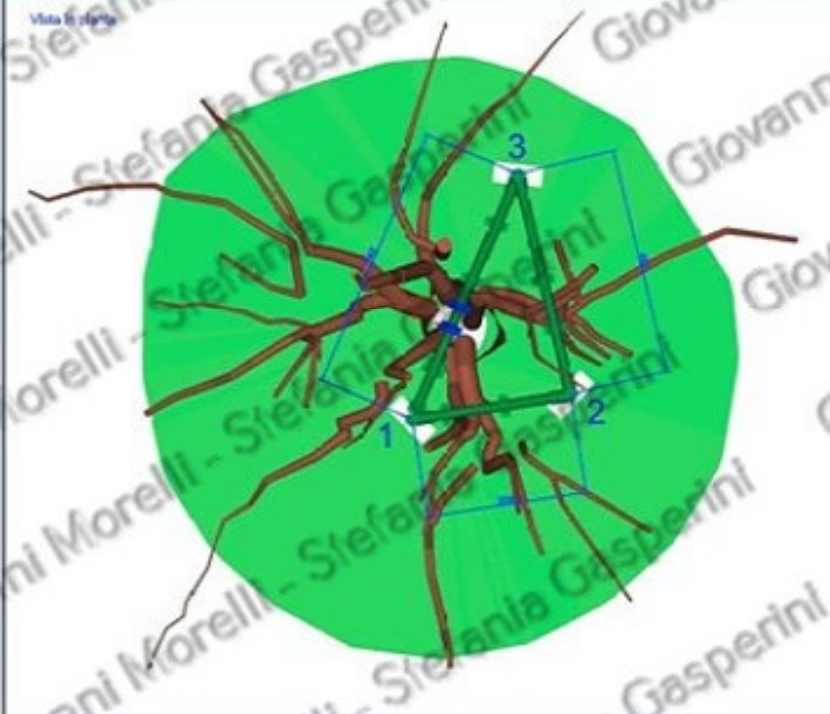
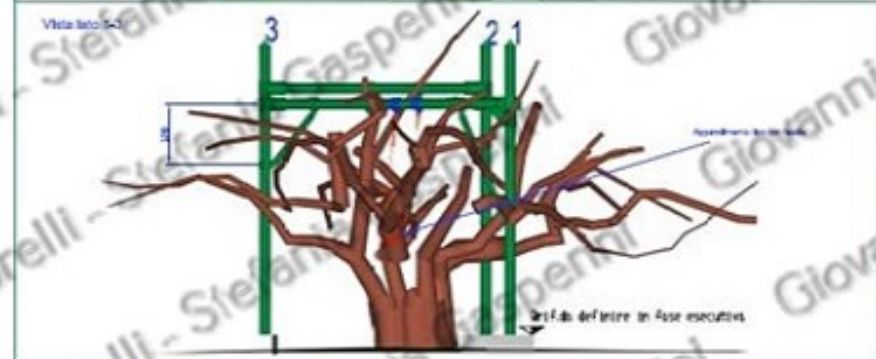
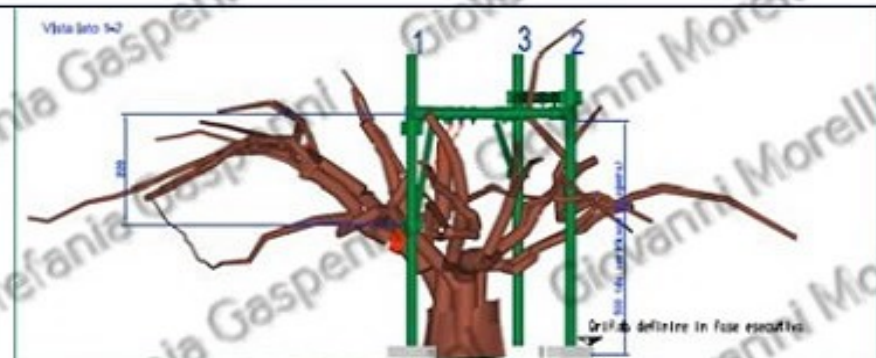
Thinning



Thinning

Retrenchment

Second step: a metal support for the old mulberry



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Third step: improving cambial activity and root treatments



60% soil;
20% volcanic rock;
20% mulch.



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