

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

- M.Sc. studies: [Palacky University Olomouc](#), Faculty of Science, Biophysics (1991-1996)  
M.Sc. Thesis: “The effects of enhanced UV-B radiation on the photosynthetic characteristics of Norway spruce (*Picea abies [L.] Karst.*) trees growing in field conditions”
  - Ph.D. studies: [Palacky University Olomouc](#), Faculty of Natural Sciences, Biophysics (1996-2002)  
Ph.D. Thesis: “Spatial differentiation of the CO<sub>2</sub> assimilation activity within Norway spruce canopy under the impact of elevated CO<sub>2</sub> concentration”

#### **Academic and professional appointments:**

- 1996 – 2005 Junior Research Scientist, Institute of Landscape Ecology ASCR  
2005 – present Junior Research Scientist, Institute of Systems Biology and Ecology ASCR  
2003 – present Head of the Laboratory of Plant Ecological Physiology

#### **Important research visits and fellowships:**

- 1998 Technische Universität, Berlin, FG Landschaftsökologie / Ökologie der Gehölze,  
Dr. Manfred Forstreuter; biochemical models in plant physiology

1999 Institute of Microbiology ASCR, Třeboň, Dr. Ladislav Nedbal; double modulated  
fluorescence in plant leaves

2003-2005 visiting scientist, Department of Forest Ecology, University of Tuscia, Viterbo,  
Italy, Prof. G.Scarascia-Mugnoza; daily courses of assimilation processes in  
poplar trees treated under elevated CO<sub>2</sub> concentration in FACE systems

## **Educational activities**

- 2003 Palacky University Olomouc, Faculty of Science, Course of Biophysical Plant Physiology  
from 2004 University of Ostrava, Faculty of Natural Sciences, Course of Plant Ecophysiology

### **Selected publications (last 5 years)**

- Pokorný, R., Urban, O., Marek, M.V.: Effect of Norway spruce planting density on shoot morphological parameters. *Biologia Plantarum* **48**(1): 137-139, 2004.

- Vrchotová, N., Tříska, J., **Urban, O.**, Pěknic, L.: Variability of catechin and 4-hydroxyacetophenone distribution in Norway spruce needles in relation to their position, age, and growing conditions. *Environmental Pollution* **131**(1): 55-59, 2004.
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- Singh, M.K., Juhász, A., Csintalan, Z., Kaligaric, M., Marek, M.V., **Urban, O.**, Tuba, Z.: Preliminary estimation of bryophyte biomass and carbon pool from three contrasting different vegetation types. *Cereal Research Communication* **33**: 267-270, 2005.
- Hrstka, M., **Urban, O.**, Marek, M.V.: Long-term effect of elevated CO<sub>2</sub> on spatial differentiation of ribulose-1,5-bisphosphate carboxylase/oxygenase activity in Norway spruce canopy. *Photosynthetica* **43**(2): 211-216, 2005.
- Urban, O.**, Tůma, I., Holub, P., Marek, M.V.: Photosynthesis and growth response of *Calamagrostis arundinacea* and *C. villosa* to enhanced UV-B radiation. *Photosynthetica* **44**(2): 215-220, 2006.
- Urban, O.**, Janouš, D., Acosta, M., Czerný, R., Marková, I., Navrátil, M., Pavelka, M., Pokorný, R., Šprtová, M., Zhang, R., Špunda, V., Grace, J., Marek, M.V.: Ecophysiological controls over the net ecosystem exchange of mountain spruce stand. Comparison of the response in direct vs. diffuse solar radiation. *Global Change Biology* **13**(1): 157-168, 2007.
- Urban, O.**, Košvancová, M., Marek, M. V., Lichtenthaler, H. K.: Induction of photosynthesis and importance of limitations during induction in sun and shade acclimated leaves of five tree species from temperate zone. *Tree Physiology* **27**(8): 1207-1215, 2007.
- Urban, O.**, Ač, A., Kalina, J., Priwitzer, T., Šprtová, M., Špunda, V., Marek, M.V.: Temperature dependences of carbon assimilation processes in four dominant species from mountain grassland ecosystem. *Photosynthetica* **45**(3): 392-399, 2007.
- Lichtenthaler, H.K., Ač, A., Marek, M.V., Kalina, J., **Urban, O.**: Differences in pigment composition, photosynthetic rates and chlorophyll fluorescence images of sun and shade leaves of four tree species. *Plant Physiology and Biochemistry* **45**(8): 577-588, 2007.
- Soukupová, J., Csefalvay, L., **Urban, O.**, Košvancová, M., Marek, M., Rascher, U., Nedbal, L.: Annual variation of the steady-state chlorophyll fluorescence emission of evergreen plants in temperate zone. *Functional Plant Biology* **35**(1): 63-76, 2008.
- Urban, O., Vrchotová, N., Tříska, J., Marek, M.V.: Enhanced UV-B radiation decreases the specific phenolic compounds in Norway spruce needles. *Fresenius Environmental Bulletin* **17**(5): 564-567, 2008.