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## Supplementary file S1

**Table S1.** Time consumption estimates (s m<sup>-3</sup>, at stem volume<sup>-1</sup> = 4.877), standard errors, and p-values obtained from the analysis of covariance (ANCOVA) for field trial 1. The covariate stem volume<sup>-1</sup> is expressed as solid m<sup>3</sup> under bark, and the categorical factor boom-control system has two levels, i.e. IBC either Off or On. The unit of observation is a tree (i.e. stem), and n is the number of trees. The total number of trees in field trial 1 was 928.

Dependent				Standard		
variable	Effect		Estimate	error	P-value	n
Total time	Intercept		23.29	3.62	< 0.0001	_
	Stem volume <sup>-1</sup>		13.53	0.29	< 0.0001	928
	IBC:	Off	9.99	5.04	0.0476	440
		On	0			488
Boom-out	Intercept Stem volume <sup>-1</sup>		3.04	1.52	0.0458	
			4.87	0.12	< 0.0001	928
	IBC:	Off	1.08	2.12	0.6083	440
		On	0			488
Felling-processing	Intercept		20.25	3.23	< 0.0001	_
	Stem volume <sup>-1</sup>		8.66	0.26	< 0.0001	928
	IBC:	Off	8.91	4.49	0.0478	440
		On	0			488

**Table S2.** Time consumption estimates (s m<sup>-3</sup>, at stem volume<sup>-1</sup> = 6.864), standard errors, and p-values obtained from the ANCOVA for field trial 2. The covariate stem volume<sup>-1</sup> is expressed as solid m<sup>3</sup> under bark, and the categorical factor boom-control system has two levels, i.e. IBC either Off or On. The unit of observation is a tree (i.e. stem), and n is the number of trees. The total number of trees in field trial 2 was 1024.

Dependent				Standard		
variable	Effect		Estimate	error	P-value	n
Total time	Intercept Stem volume <sup>-1</sup>		18.96	2.42	< 0.0001	
			14.64	0.19	< 0.0001	1024
	IBC:	Off	-0.70	3.26	0.8294	418
		On	0			606
Boom-out	Intercept Stem volume <sup>-1</sup>		-2.31	2.05	0.2587	
			6.59	0.16	< 0.0001	1024
	IBC:	Off	-0.66	2.76	0.8109	418
		On	0			606
Felling-processing	Intercept	Intercept		1.38	< 0.0001	
	Stem volume <sup>-1</sup>		8.05	0.11	< 0.0001	1024
	IBC:	Off	-0.04	1.86	0.9820	418
		On	0			606