

A Large and Persistent Carbon Sink in the World's Forests

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The Human Perturbation of the CO₂ Budget (2000-2009)

7.7±0.5 PgC y⁻¹



1.1±0.7 PgC y⁻¹

+



4.1±0.1 PgC y⁻¹

47%



2.4 PgC y⁻¹

27%

Calculated as the residual

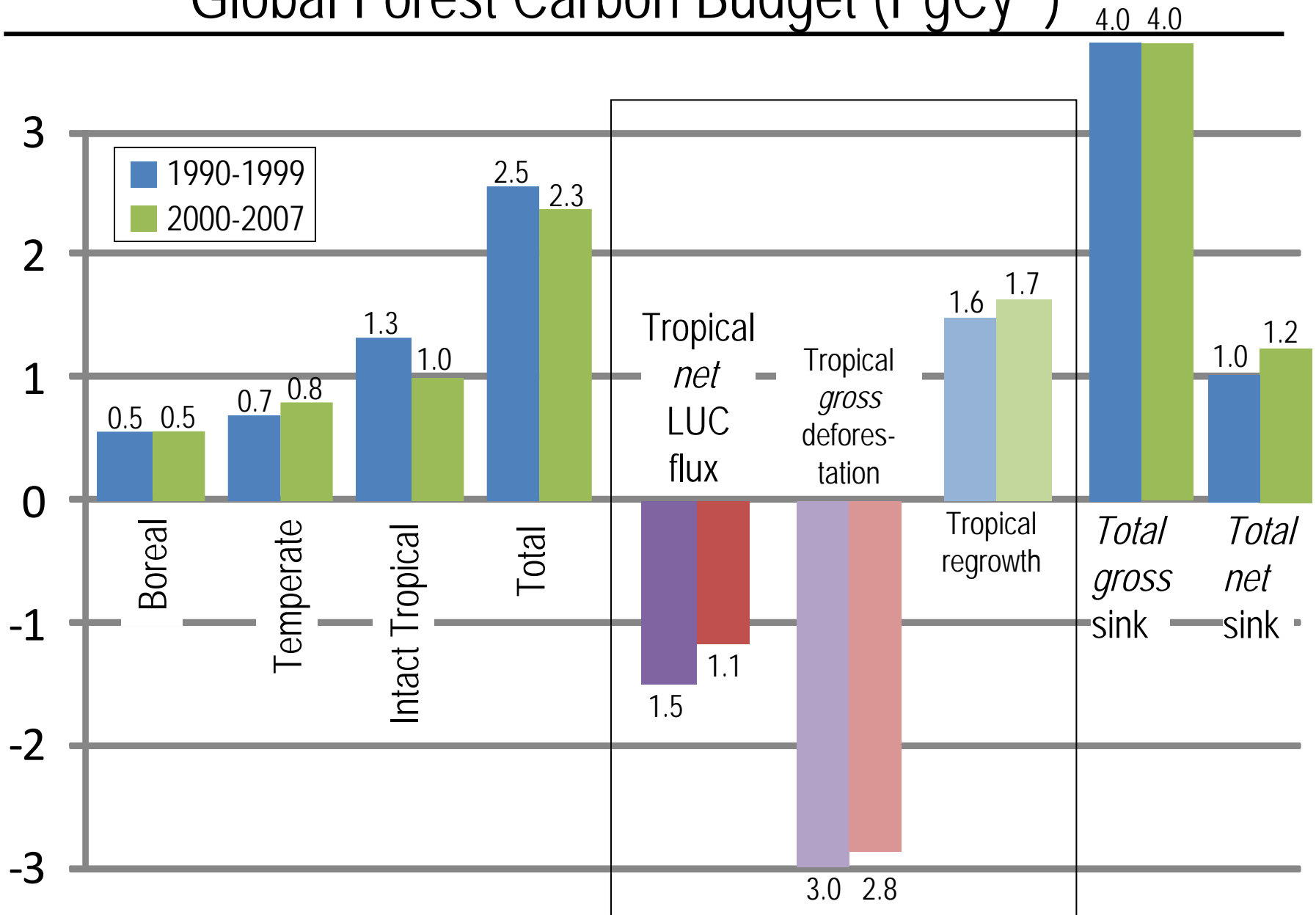


26%

2.3±0.4 PgC y⁻¹



Global Forest Carbon Budget (PgCy⁻¹)



Forest Carbon Sinks and Sources (2000-2007, PgCy⁻¹)



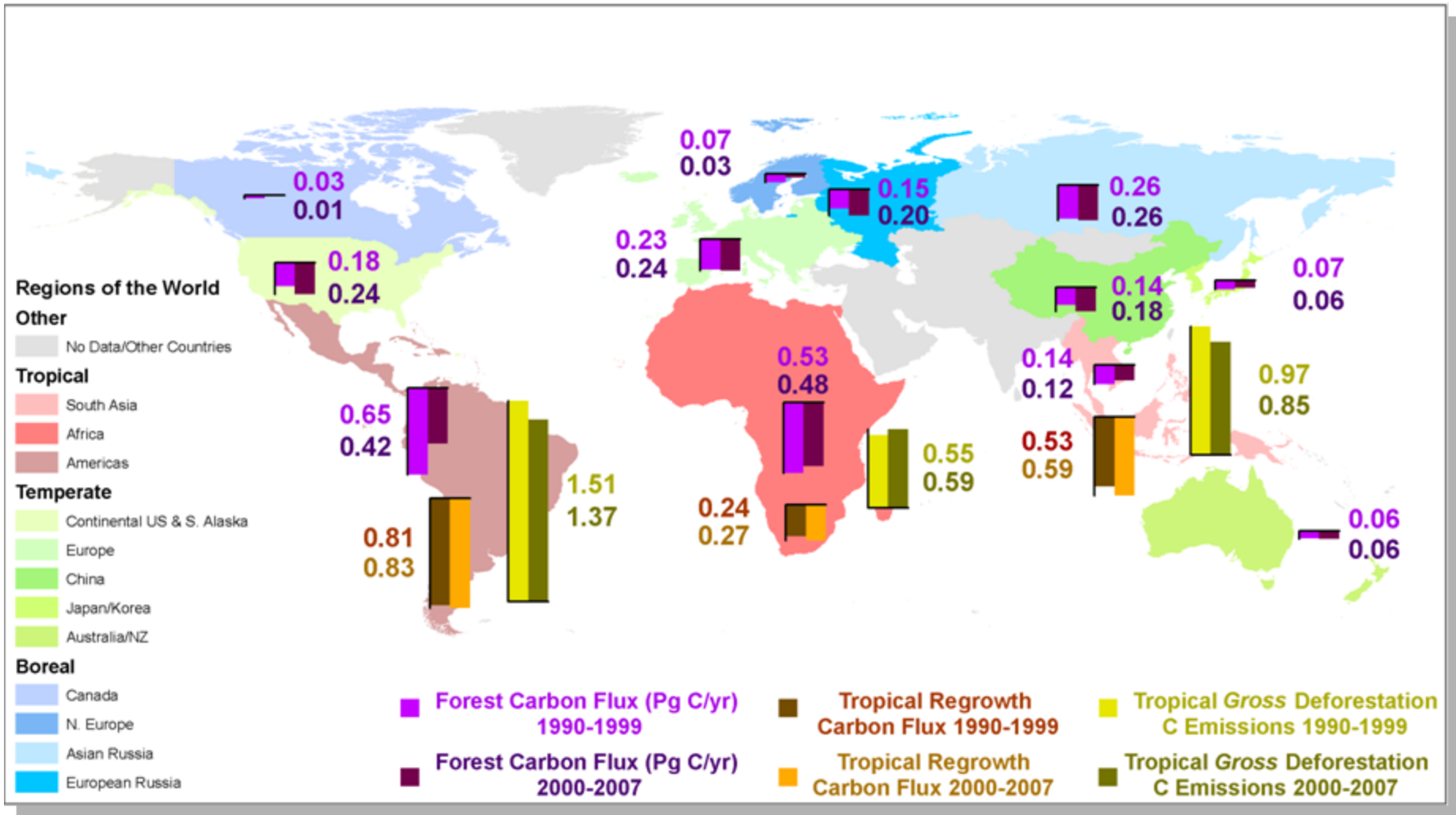
Boreal Forest	0.5 ±0.08
Temperate Forest	0.8 ±0.09
Tropical "intact" Forest	1.0 ±0.41
Total	2.3 ±0.49

Tropical <i>net</i> deforestation	-1.1 ±0.70
Tropical <i>gross</i> deforestation	-2.8 ±0.45
Tropical forest regrowth	1.7 ±0.54

Global *gross* forest sink 4.0 ±0.73

Global *net* forest sink 1.2 ±0.85

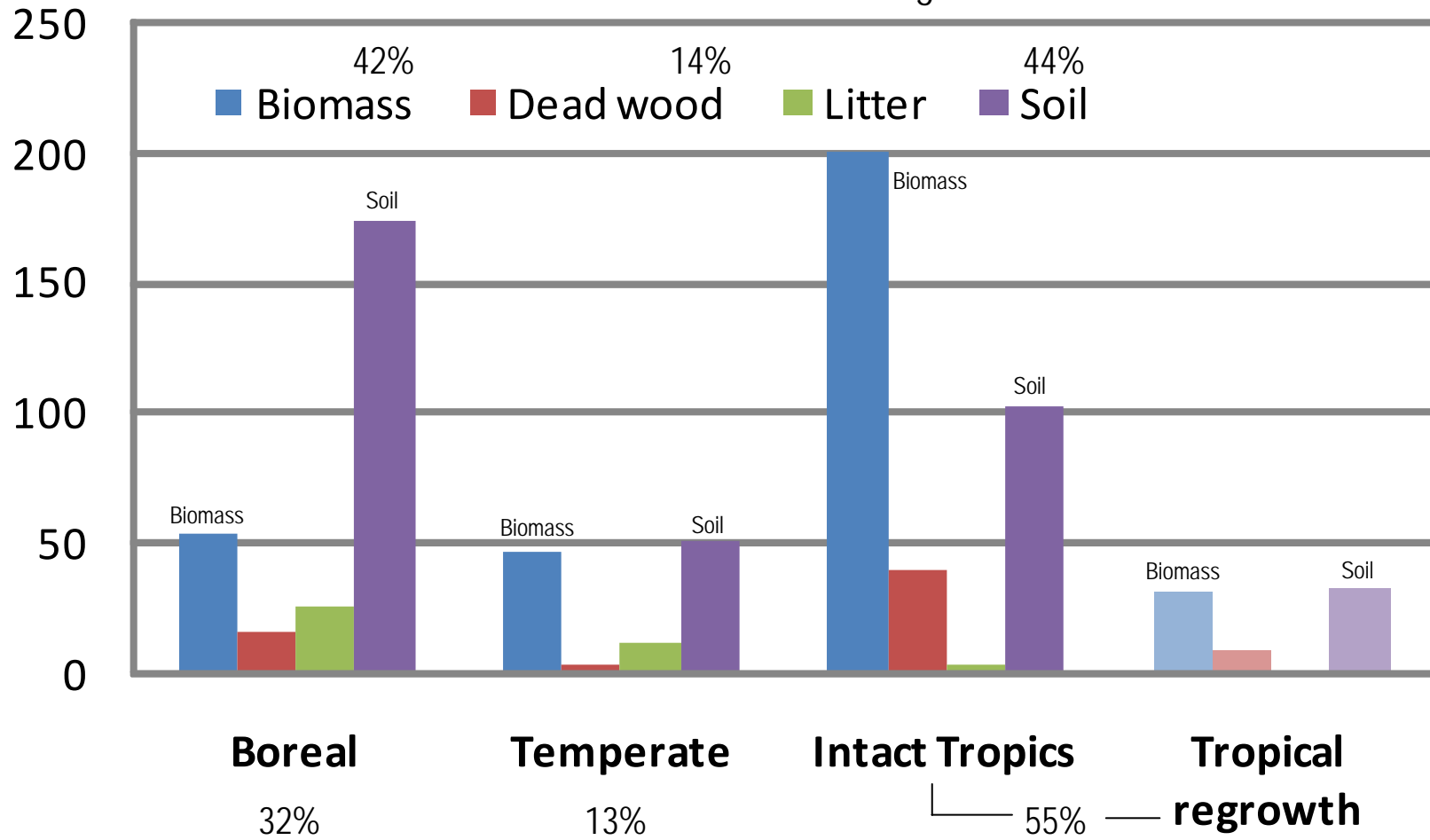
Large and Consistent Global Forest Carbon Sink



Carbon Stocks in Biomass, Deadwood, Litter and Soil

2007 (PgCy⁻¹)

Total forest C stock= 860 PgC



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