

*LBNL / EPA Cooperation on  
Forestry Climate Mitigation Potential and Costs:  
GCOMAP Model*

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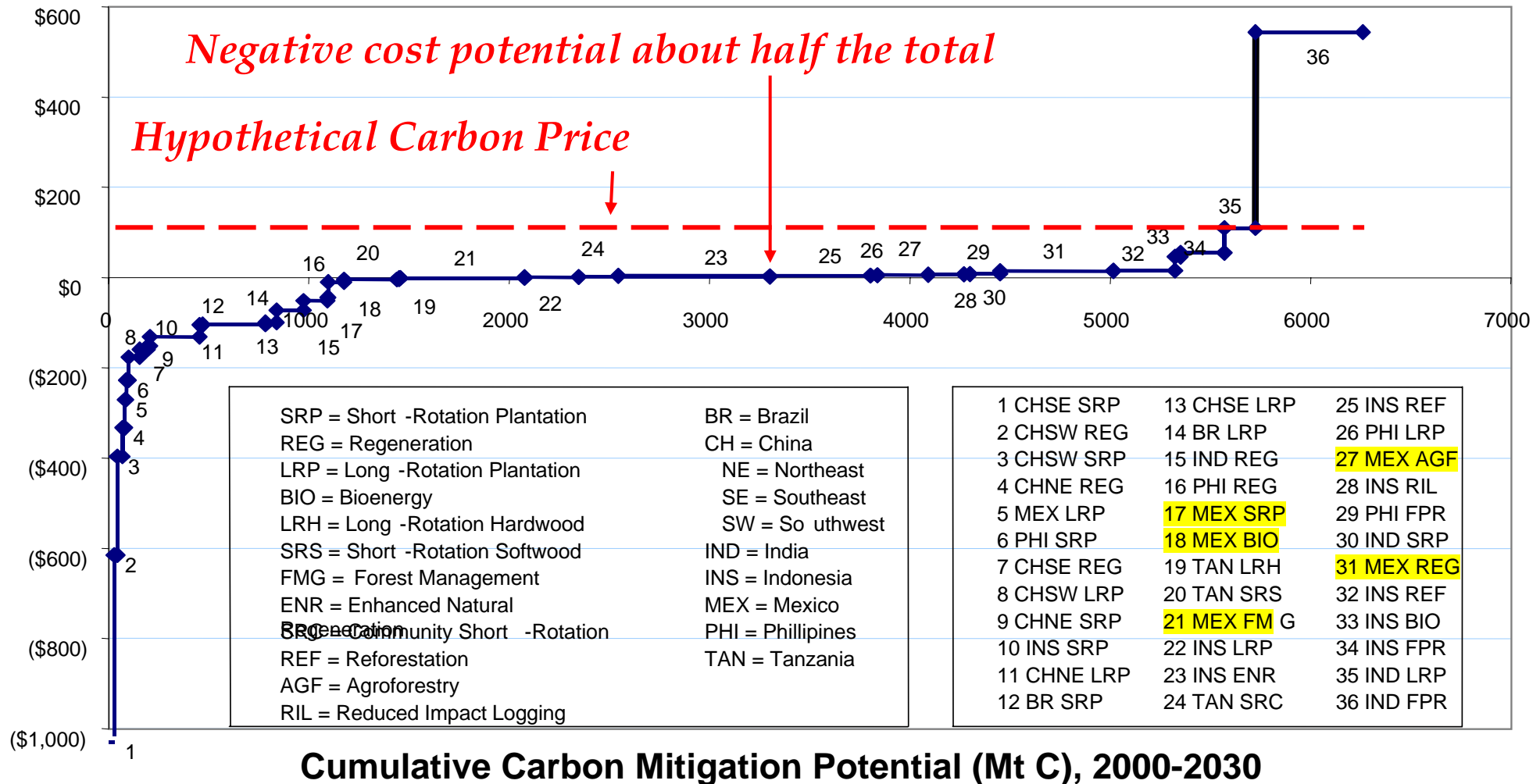
*(Generalized Comprehensive Mitigation Assessment Process)*

- GCOMAP Model Structure:
  - Dynamic partial equilibrium model
- Key Input Data -- Tropics & Reference Case
- Results for six EMF 21 carbon price scenarios
- Deforestation
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# Earlier LBNL/EPA Studies of Forestry in the Tropics: COMAP -- Forestry Mitigation Potential

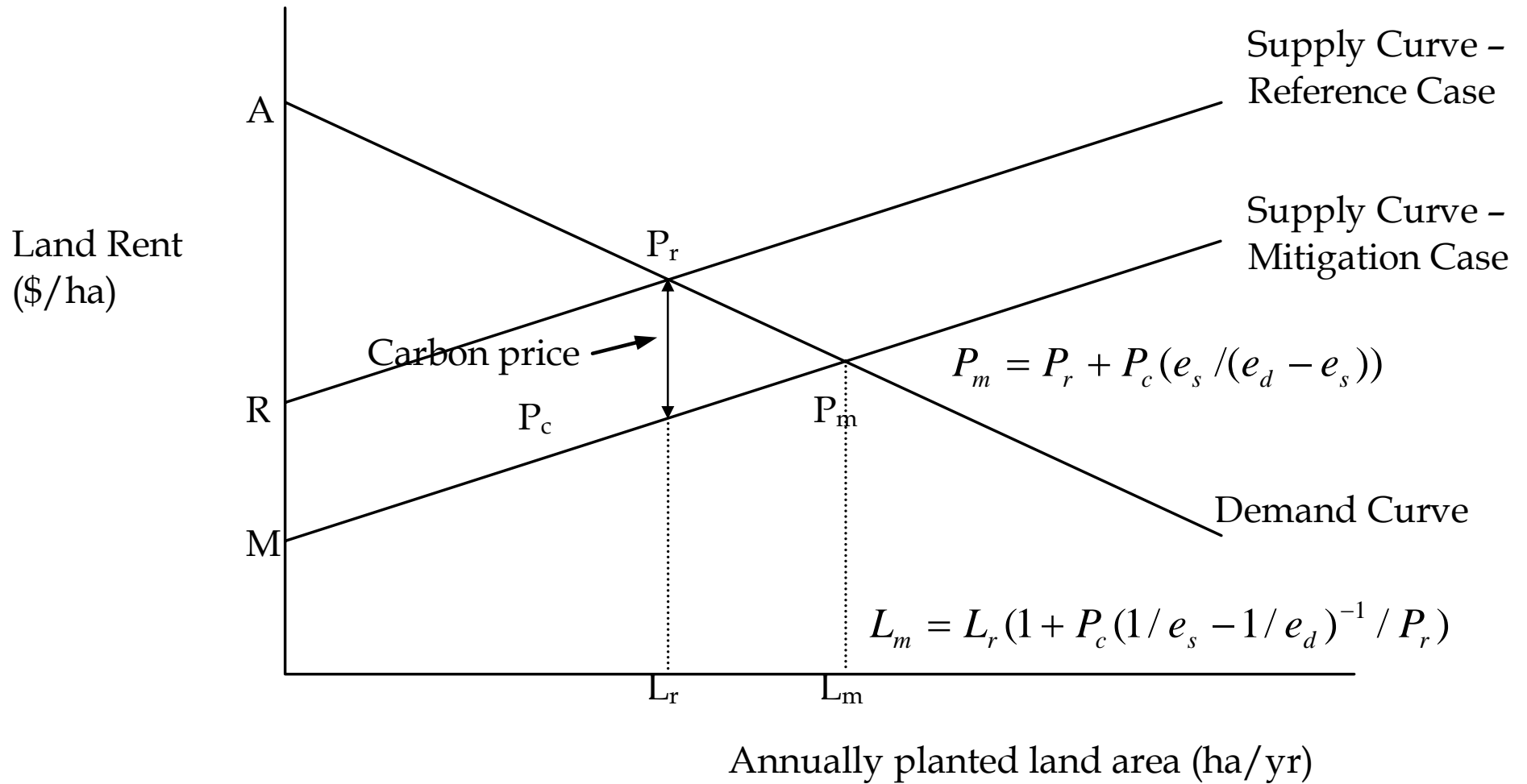
(Brazil, China, India, Indonesia, Mexico, Philippines and Tanzania)

Cost (\$/ t C) DR = 8-12%



Source: 1. Sathaye J. Makundi W., Andrasko K. Boer R., Ravindranath N.H., Sudha P., Rao S., Lasco R., Pulhin F., Masera O., Cerón A., Ordonez J., Deying X., Zhang X., and Zuomin S. 2001. Carbon mitigation potential and costs of forestry options in Brazil, China, India, Indonesia, Mexico, the Philippines, and Tanzania. *Mitigation and Adaptation Strategies for Global Change*, Vol. 6. Nos. 3-4, pp. 185-211.

**GCOMAP: Determining Mitigation Land Use Change and Associated Products Output: How much would forested land area change in response to a carbon price?**



## *GCOMAP Current Scope*

<b>Mitigation Option</b>	<b>Current EMF 21 Geographic Regions</b>	<b>Carbon Pools (in all regions)</b>
<b>Forestation –</b> <b>Short-rotation</b> <b>Long-rotation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Without biofuels</b></li> <li>• <b>With biofuels (not analyzed yet)</b></li> </ul>	<b>North America</b> <b>South / Central America</b> <b>Europe</b> <b>Russia (not FSU)</b> <b>China</b> <b>India</b> <b>Australia/NZ</b> <b>Asia-Pacific</b> <b>Africa</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Above/below ground biomass</b></li> <li>• <b>Soils</b></li> <li>• <b>Litter</b></li> <li>• <b>Post-harvest residue</b></li> <li>• <b>Domestic timber products</b></li> <li>• <b>International timber products</b></li> </ul>
<b>Avoided deforestation (no biofuels)</b>	<b>South / Central America (incl. Mexico)</b> <b>Asia-Pacific</b> <b>Africa</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fuelwood</b></li> <li>• <b>Mill-waste products</b></li> <li>• <b>Biofuels – used as a substitute for coal in power plants</b></li> </ul>

***GCOMAP Model  
Structure:  
3 Modules***

**DATA**

- Forested area
- Planted and deforested land
- Maximum suitable land area
- Opportunity cost of land
- Land price supply curve

- Biomass yield
- Rotation period
- Biomass and soil carbon
- Timber product output and life
- Non-timber product output
- Product demand and supply

- Planting and deforestation costs - fixed and annual
- Timber and non-timber product prices

Carbon price scenario (2000-2100)

Land-use Module

Annual land use change

Annual land use change and land price

Biomass and Carbon Stock Change Module

Land and Carbon Gain (2000-2100)

Economic parameters

Monetary Costs and Benefits Module

Annual product output

Social Welfare Change: Forest Sector (2000-2100)

Reference and Mitigation Scenarios

Mitigation Scenario Only



## *Key Data Inputs*

### *Deforestation Rate: Historical and Projected*

- Global deforestation currently 17 Mha/yr (FAO) or less (Houghton)
  - India and China: deforestation declined to zero
  - Brazil: constant or accelerating deforestation
  - Africa 1990-00 deforestation rate increased, unlike in other regions
    - Deforestation rate is projected to increase to 2020 before declining
- Rest of tropics: Deforestation rates are projected to continue declining

Region	Change in Deforestation Rate (%/yr)	Deforestation Rates (% / year)				
	1990 –00	2000	2020	2040	2050	2100
<b>Africa</b>	+ 0.026	0.80	1.29	0.78	0.65	0.26
<b>Rest of Asia</b>	- 0.005	1.03	0.82	0.60	0.52	0.12
<b>Central America</b>	- 0.011	1.19	0.97	0.75	0.65	0.37
<b>South America</b>	- 0.030	0.40	0.26	0.21	0.20	0.13

The deforestation rate gives the percent decline in the forest area per year

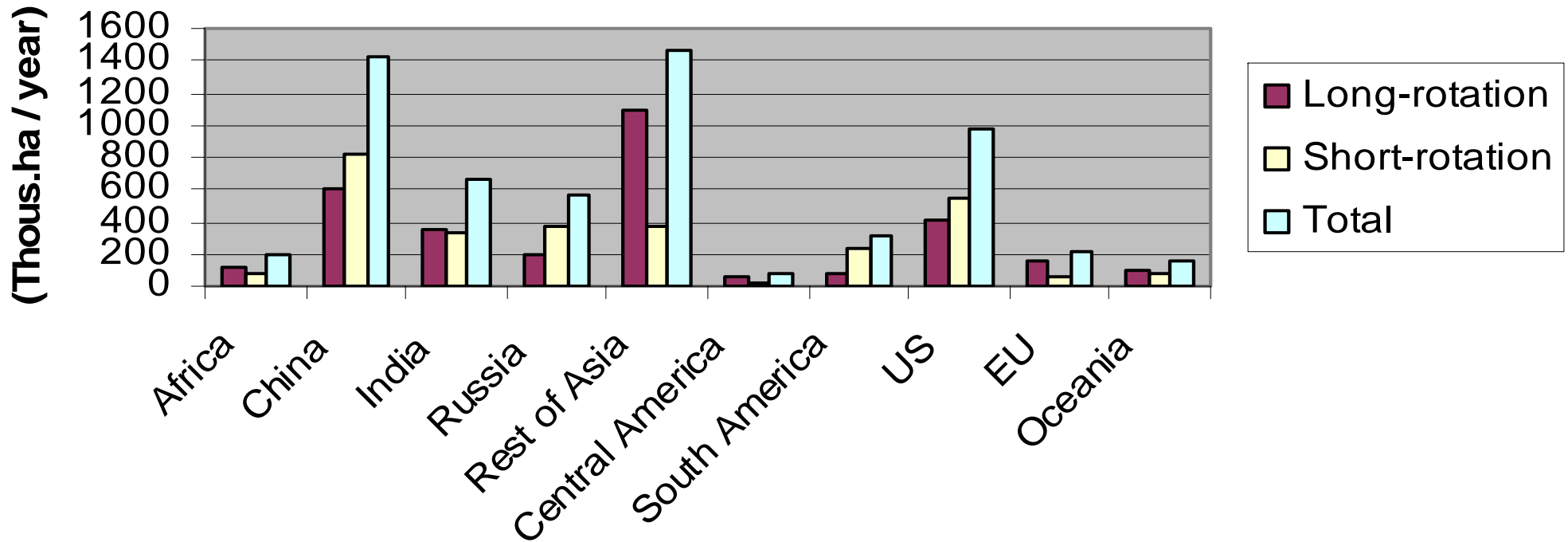
(-) rate is an annual decline in the deforestation rate

Based on FAO 2001 – Forest Resource Assessment-2000; Kaimovitz 1996 Livestock and deforestation in Central America in 1980s and 1990s; Barraclough and Ghimire 2000. Agricultural Expansion and Tropical Deforestation

# Key Data Inputs

## Historical Afforestation Rates

(Data for each region for periods varying from 1975 to 2000)



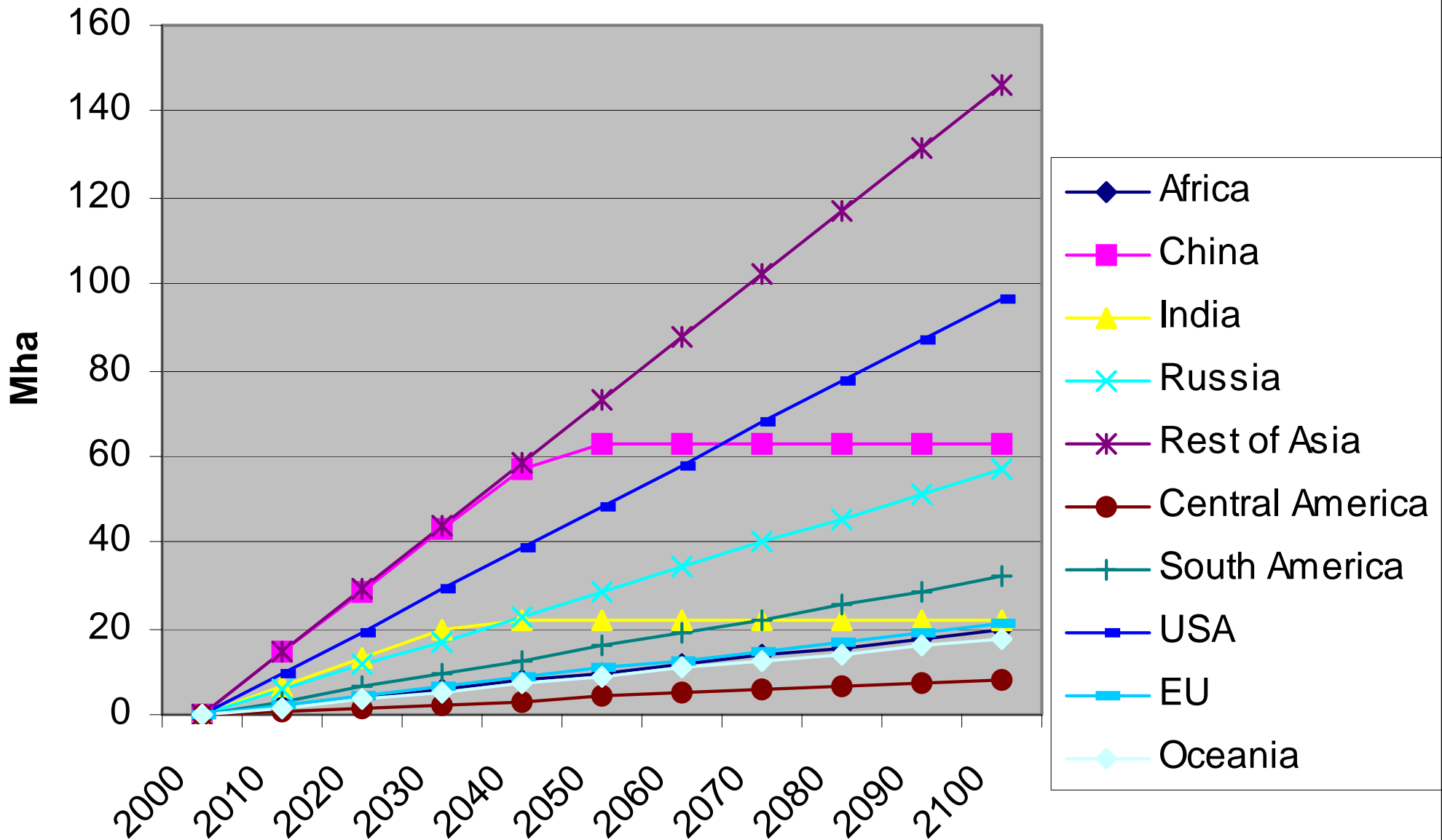
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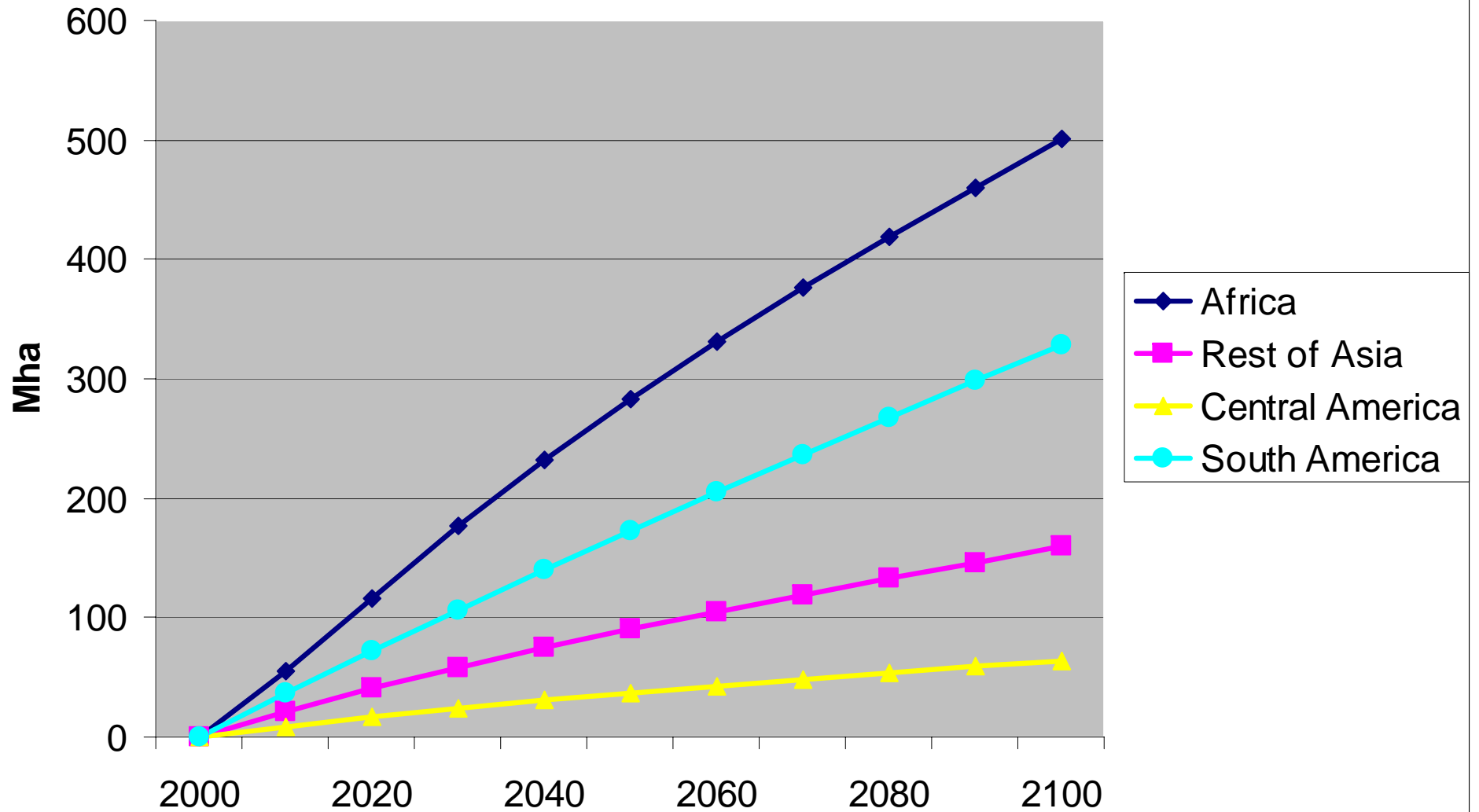
FAO 2000 - The Global Outlook for Future Wood Supply from Plantations

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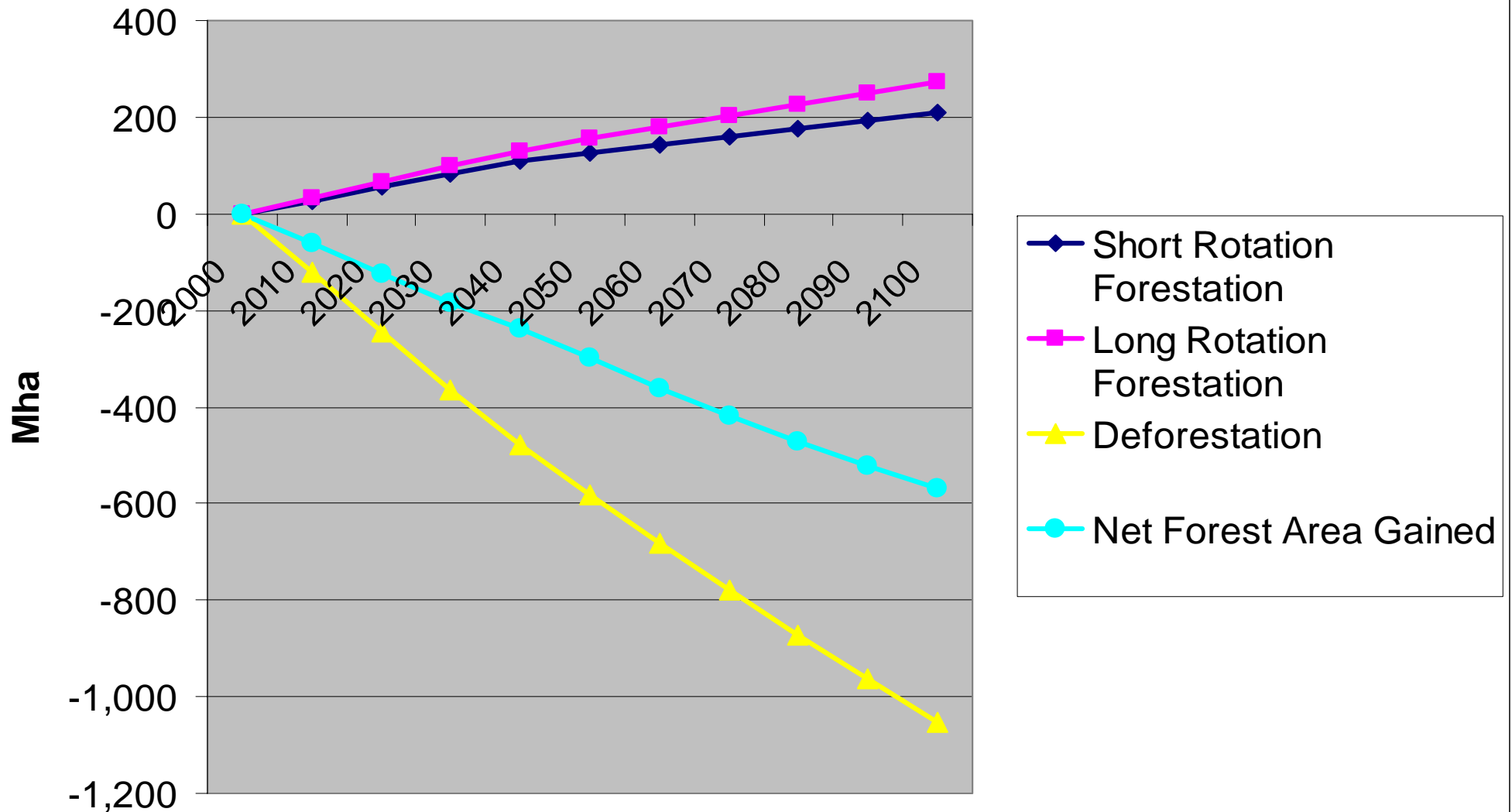
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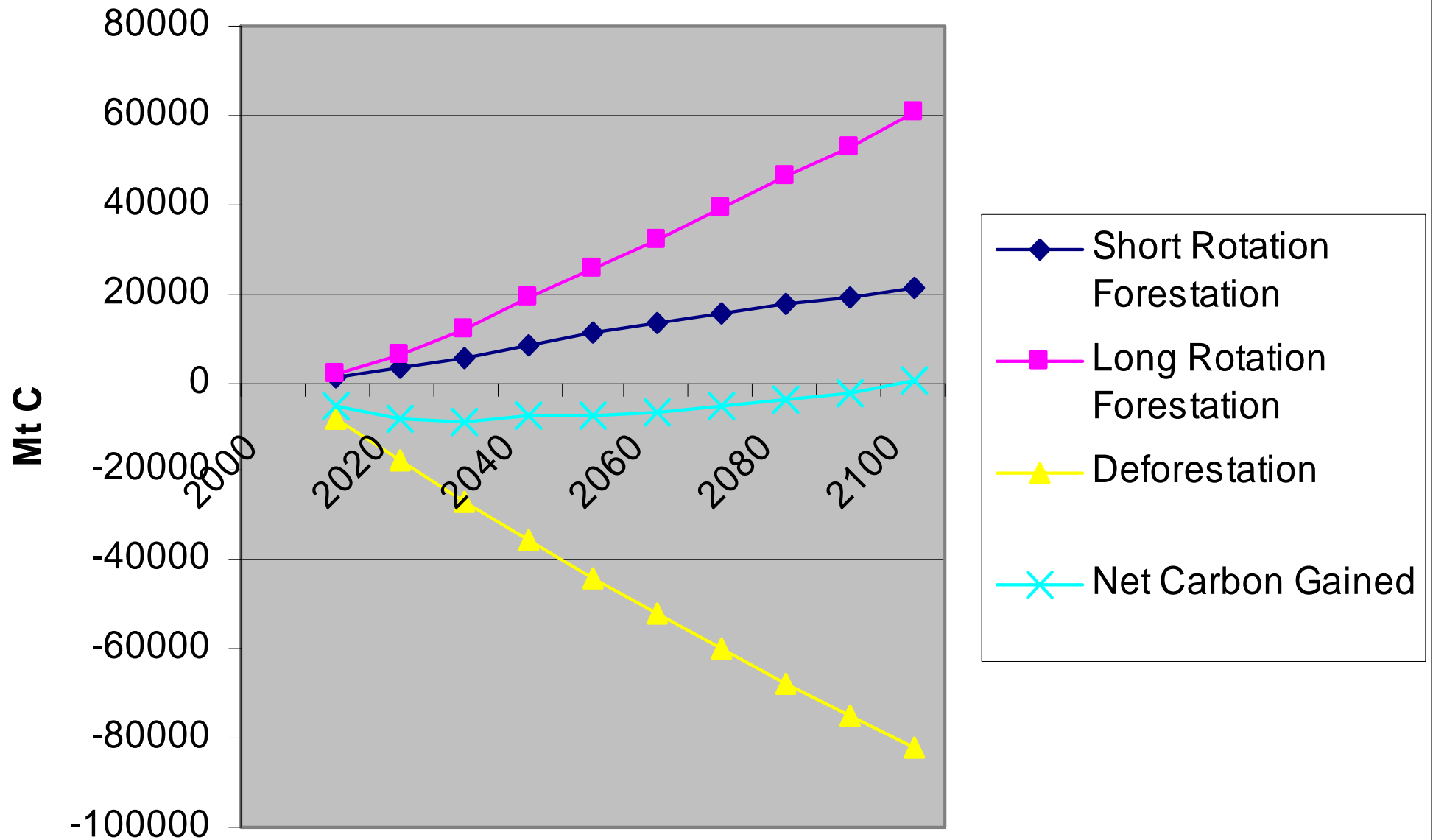
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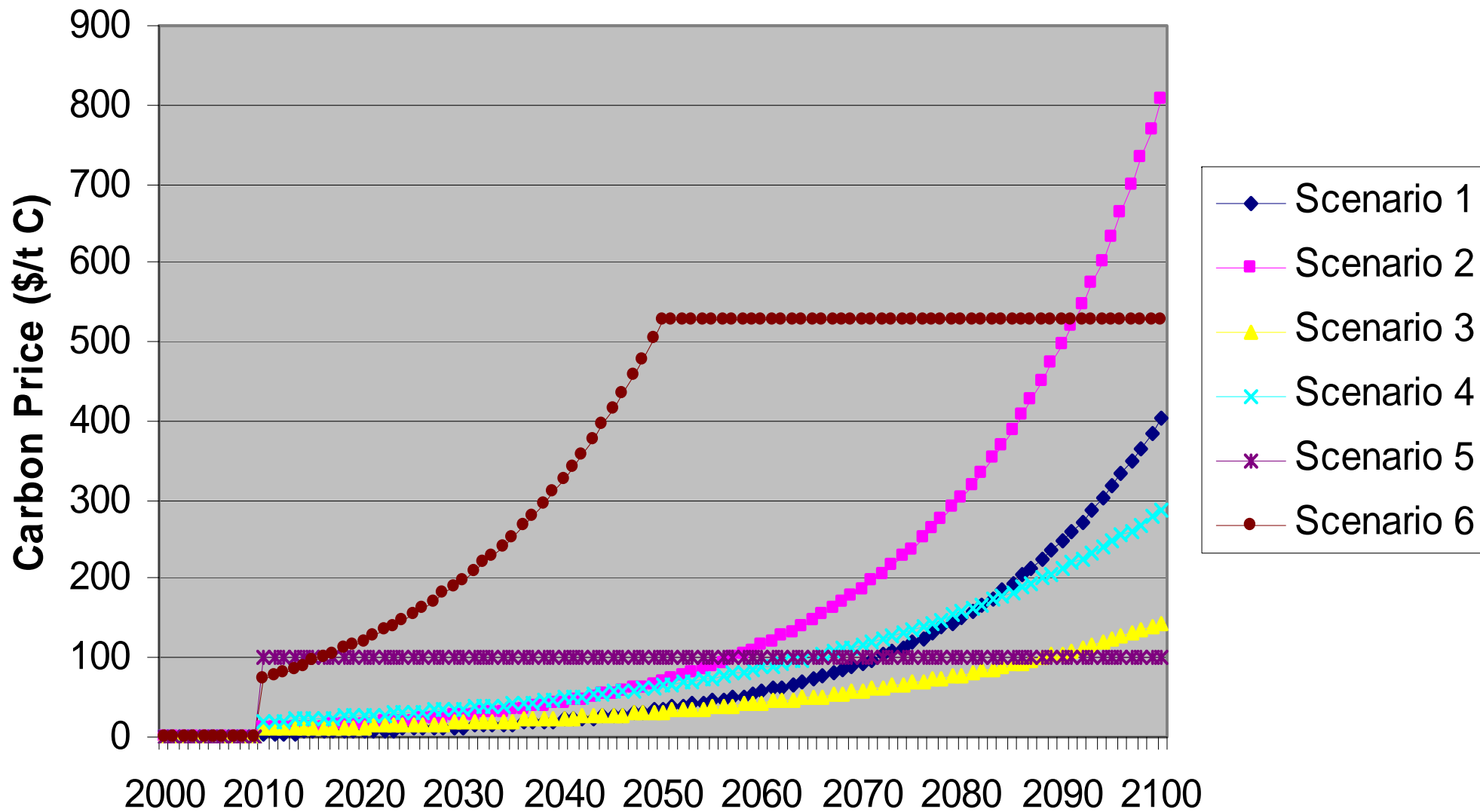
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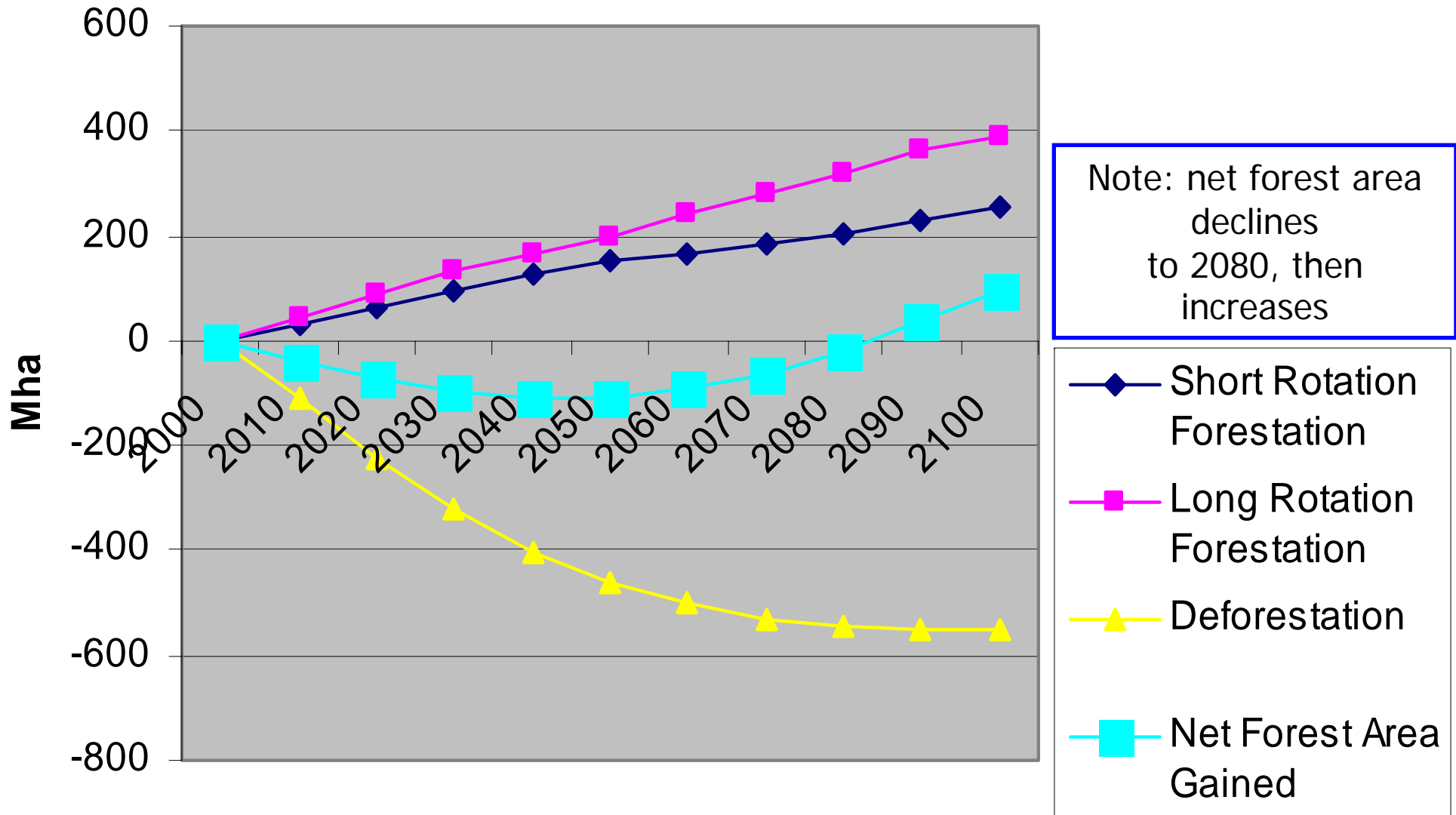
## GCOMAP Reference Case: Carbon Stock Change (Cumulative to Year Reported)



# Carbon Price Mitigation Scenarios



**Scenario 1 (\$5 + 5% /year) --  
Land Use Change by Activity for All Regions  
(Cumulative to year reported)**



# Results - Global land area and carbon gain\* across scenarios

## Mitigation Options : Long and short rotation forestry, and avoided deforestation

Scenario <sup>b</sup>	Carbon Price (\$/t C)		Land Area Gained (Mha)		Carbon Benefits Gained (Mt C)	
	2050	2100	2050	2100	2050	2100
<b>2010 C Price + Annual Increase</b>						
<b>1. \$5 + 5%</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>662</b>	<b>13,570</b>	<b>70,145</b>
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Forestation			75	135	8,917	28,575
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Forestation			83	56	13,587	17,245
Avoided deforestation			454	810	33,665	61,725
<b>6. \$75 + \$5</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>664</b>	<b>1081</b>	<b>63,300</b>	<b>113,208</b>
Forestation			192	146	25,675	38,422
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## Mitigation Options : Long and short run

Higher the carbon price, larger the gained land and carbon amount, but ...

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# Results - Global land

## Mitigation Options : Long a

Higher the carbon price,  
larger the gained carbon  
amount, but paths starting  
low and rising produce  
majority of carbon after  
2050 and vice versa.

# cross scenarios

## ided deforestation

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## Mitigation Options : Long and

Avoided deforestation accounts from 51% to 78% of gained 2100 carbon depending on the carbon price and path.

# Loss scenarios

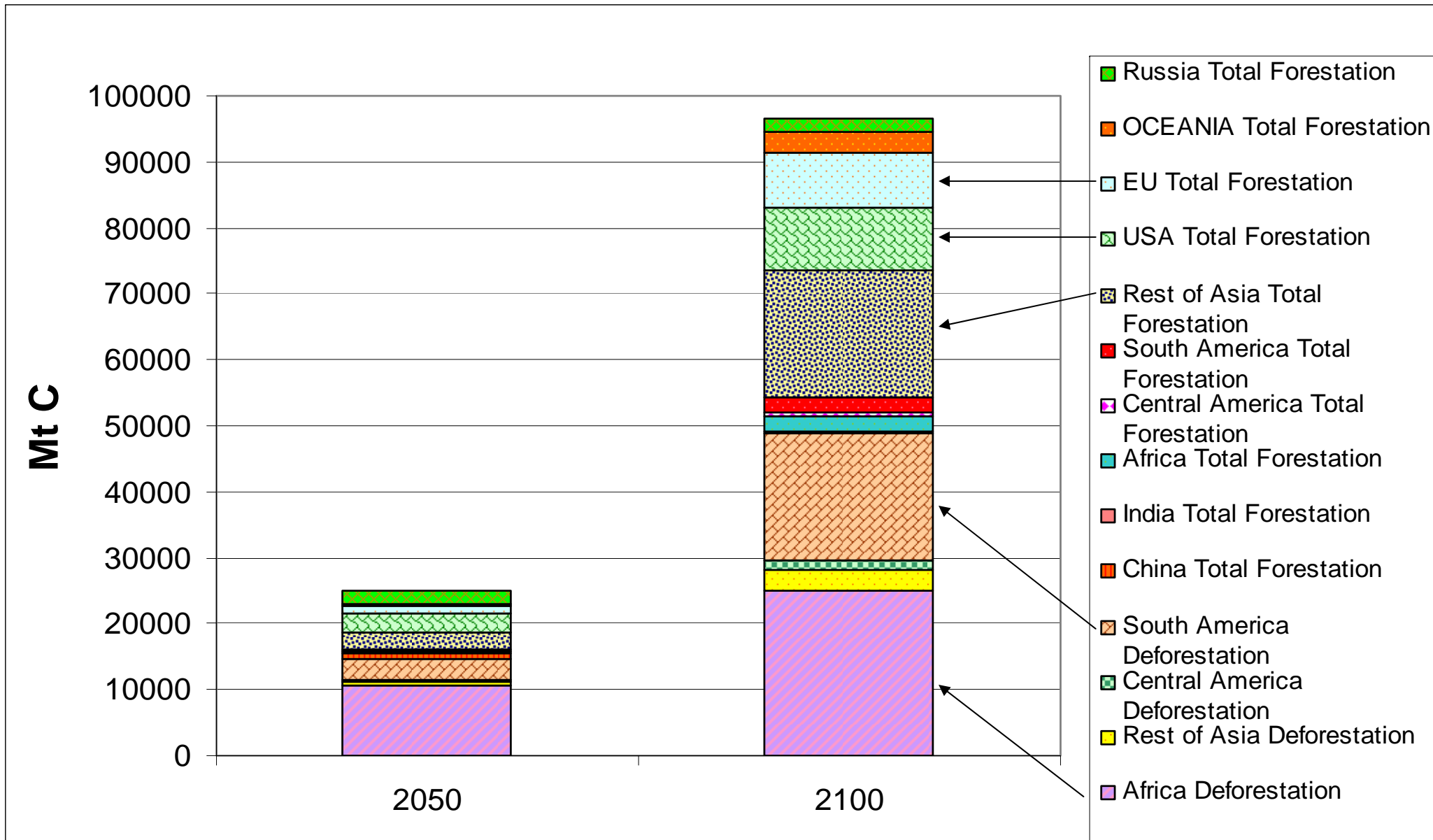
## Avoided deforestation

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## Scenario 2 (\$10+5%/year): Regional Contribution to Carbon Gain in 2050 and 2100

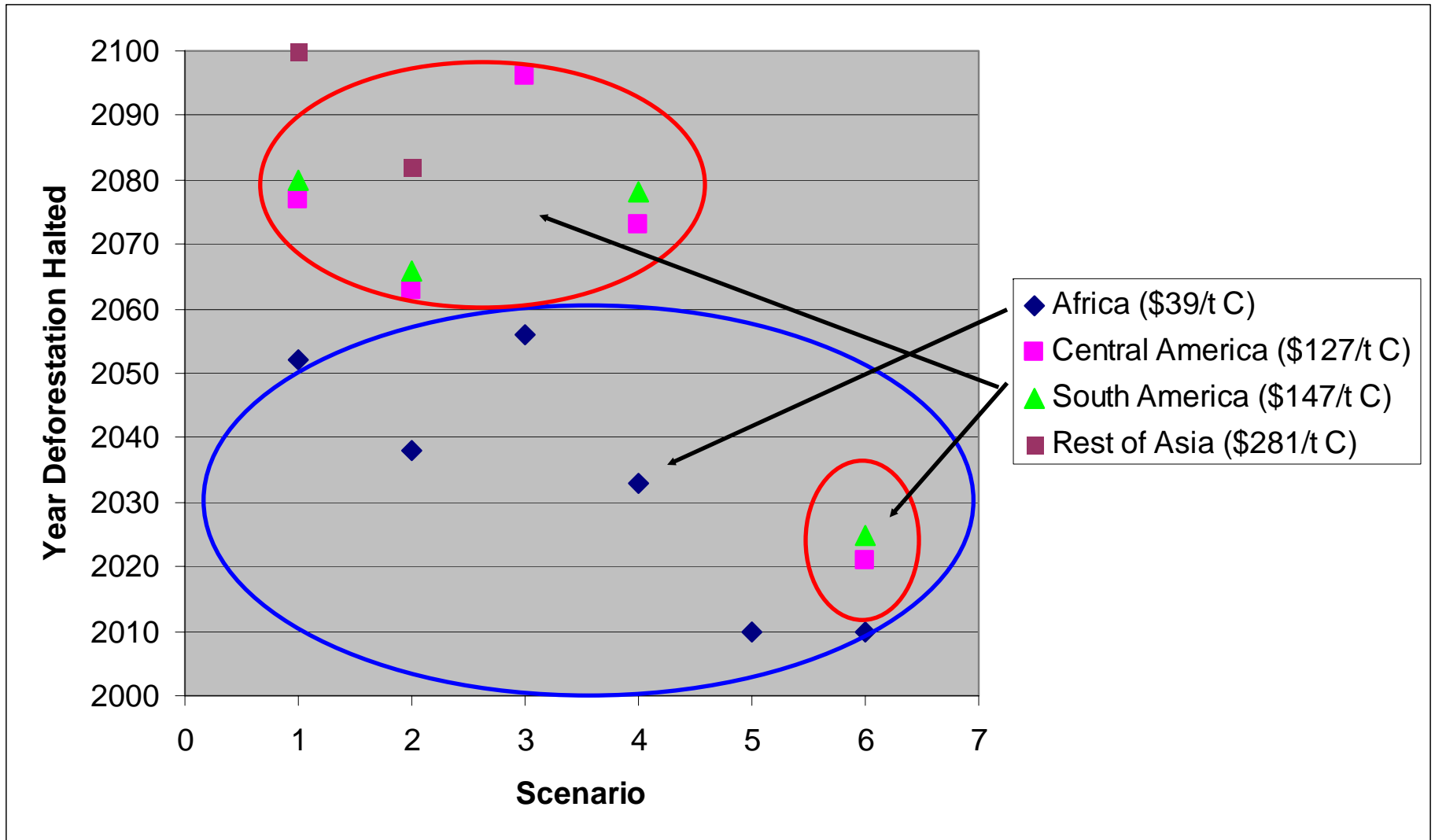


*Carbon price to virtually stop deforestation  
(i.e., C price > opportunity cost) varies across the tropics*

- Carbon price to halt deforestation depends on opportunity cost of land and products
  - Timber products fetch higher prices than land or other products
  - Higher the timber revenue higher the carbon price required to slow or avoid deforestation
- Feasibility of stopping deforestation complicated by many barriers.

Region	Carbon price to virtually stop deforestation (\$/ t C)
Africa	\$ 39
Central America	\$ 127
South America	\$ 147
Rest of Asia (Asia without China and India)	\$ 281

# Deforestation virtually halted – Dates by 4 regions and 6 scenarios



## *Caps on land suitable for forestation limits the full benefit of the carbon price in several regions*

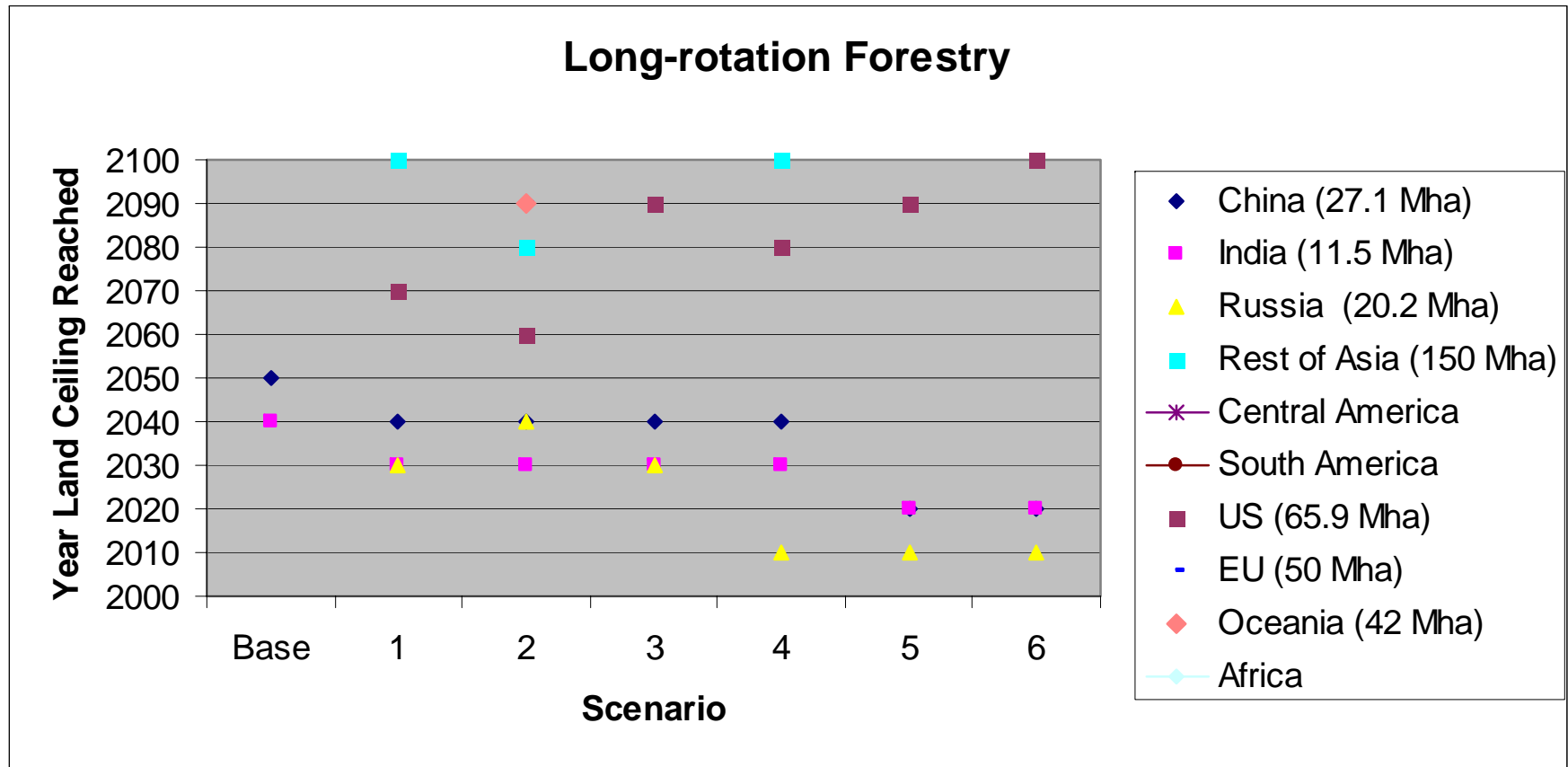
**Land availability for forestation varies by region and option**

Regions	Short-rotation Mha	Long-rotation Mha	Comments
Africa	80.0	120.0	Grassland, abandoned ag. land, and some deforested land.
China	35.9	27.1	Based on China's short, medium, and long-term expansion plans
India	10.2	11.5	Government forestry plans to 2020
Russia	37.5	20.2	Doubled current afforestation rate-- half the available land
Rest of Asia	50.0	150.0	Degraded forest land and waste land.
Central America	6.5	15.0	Degraded forest land and waste land.
South America	50.0	150.0	Degraded forest land and waste land.
United States	50.1	65.9	Dry and wet soil pasture and cropland and non-grazing forest by 9 US regions
European Union	40.0	50.0	Forestry, cropland and agricultural land
Oceania	28.0	42.0	Australia plans, New Zealand FAO 2050 scenario, and Japan and PNG estimated areas
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>388.3</b>	<b>651.7</b>	

*Yellow highlighted figures show regions where land cap was reached in at least one scenario*

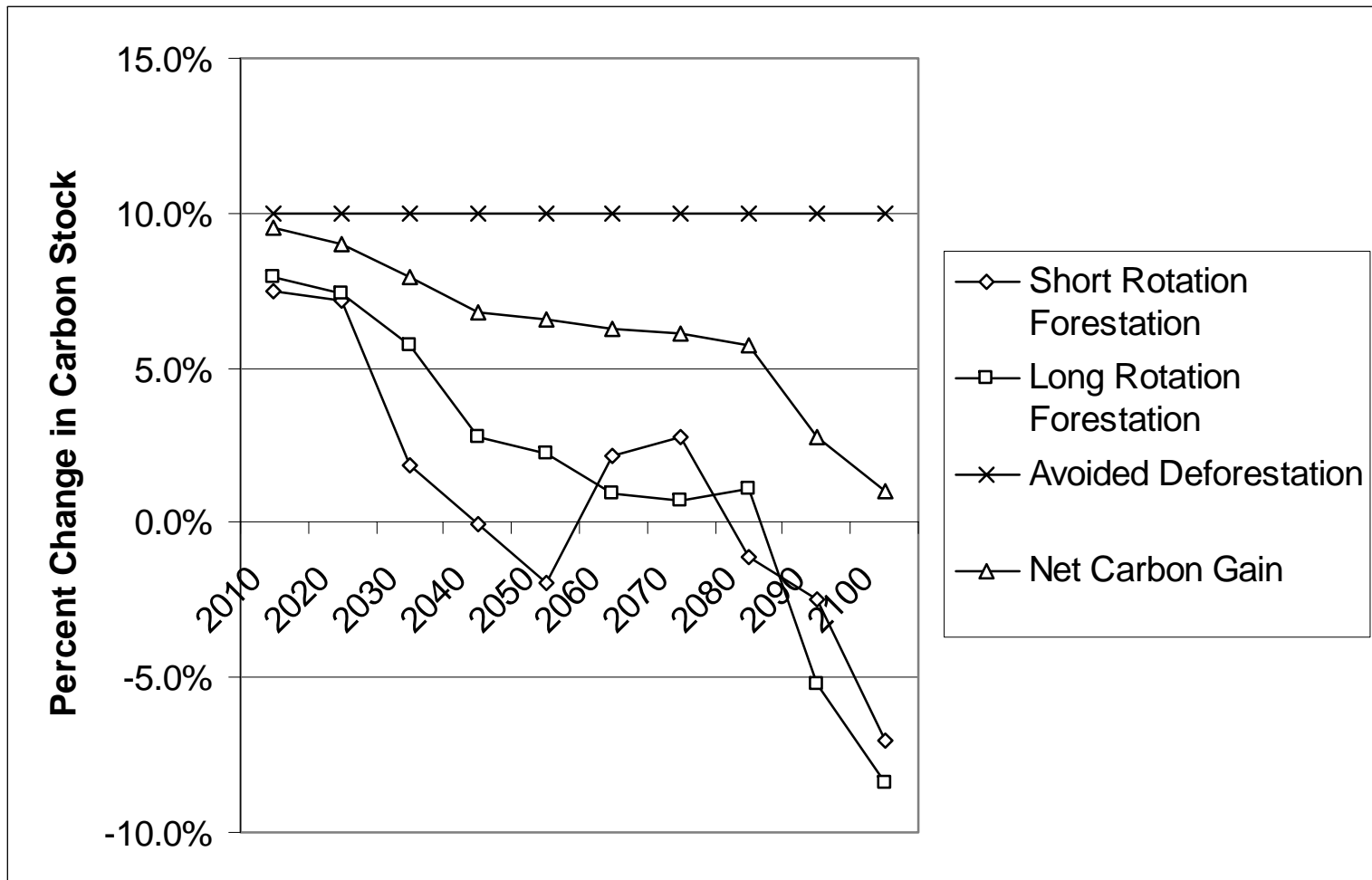


*Carbon price benefit is mitigated since land area ceiling is reached before 2100 in some regions*

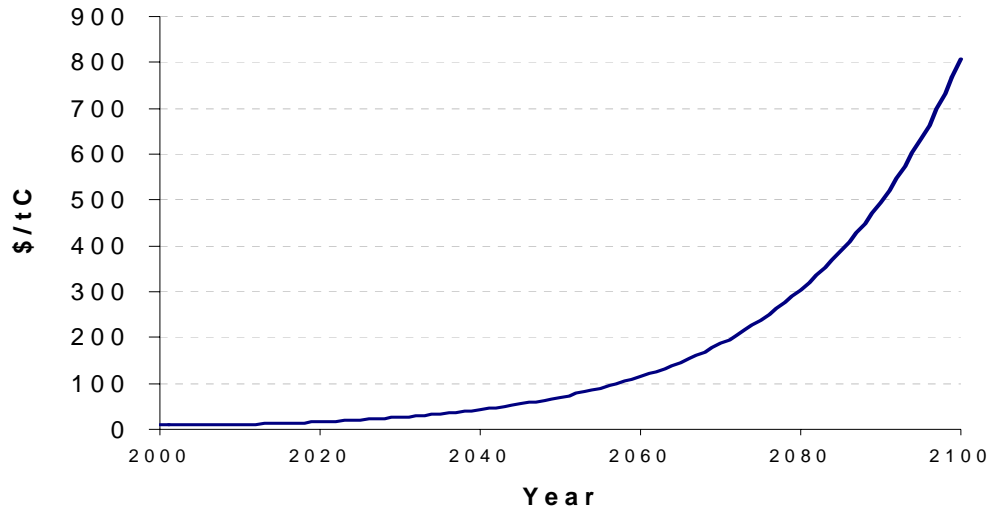


*Base Case 1990-2000 - All planting Rates (thousands ha/yr) :*  
*India - 350; China - 615; Rest of Asia - 1,100; Africa - 115;*  
*Central America - 60; S America - 80*

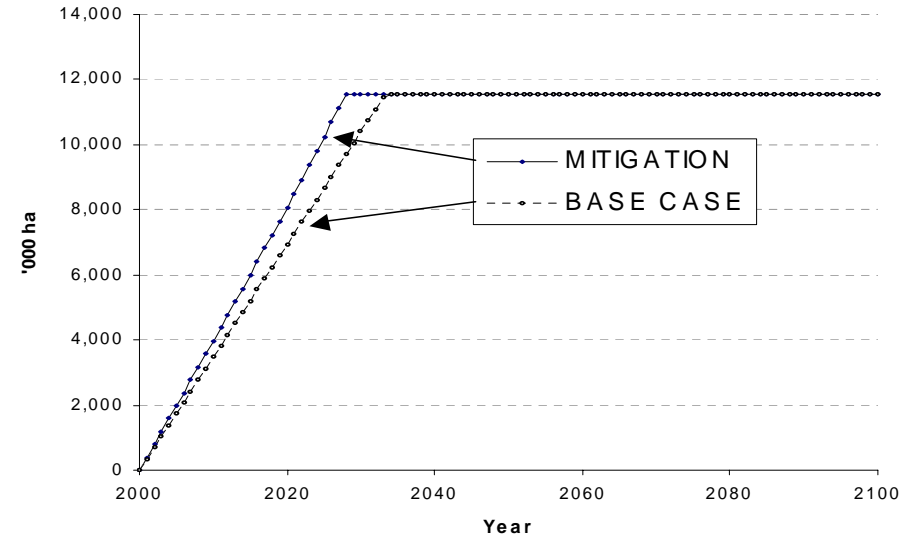
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Change in carbon stock for a 10% increase in reference case  
forestation, and deforested area*



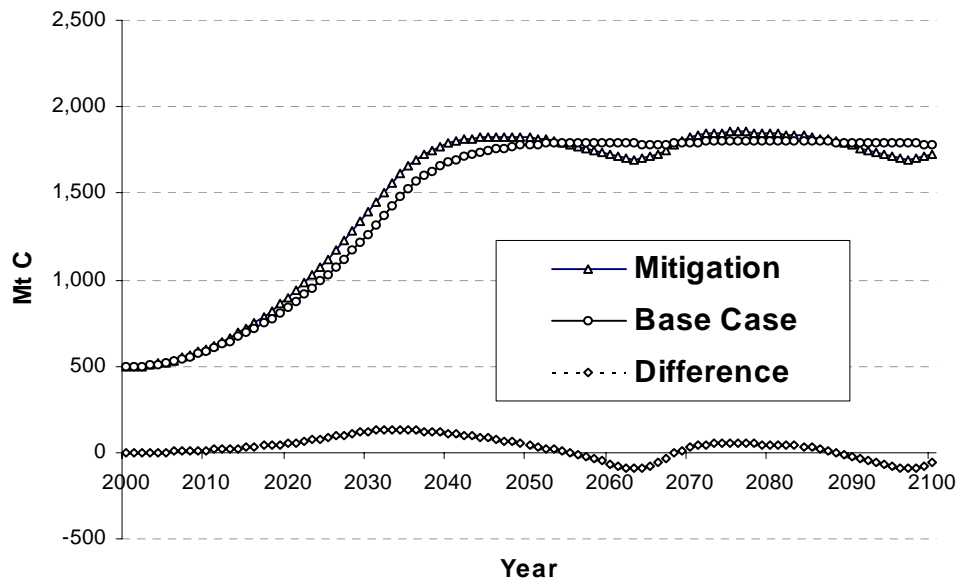
### Carbon Price Scenario



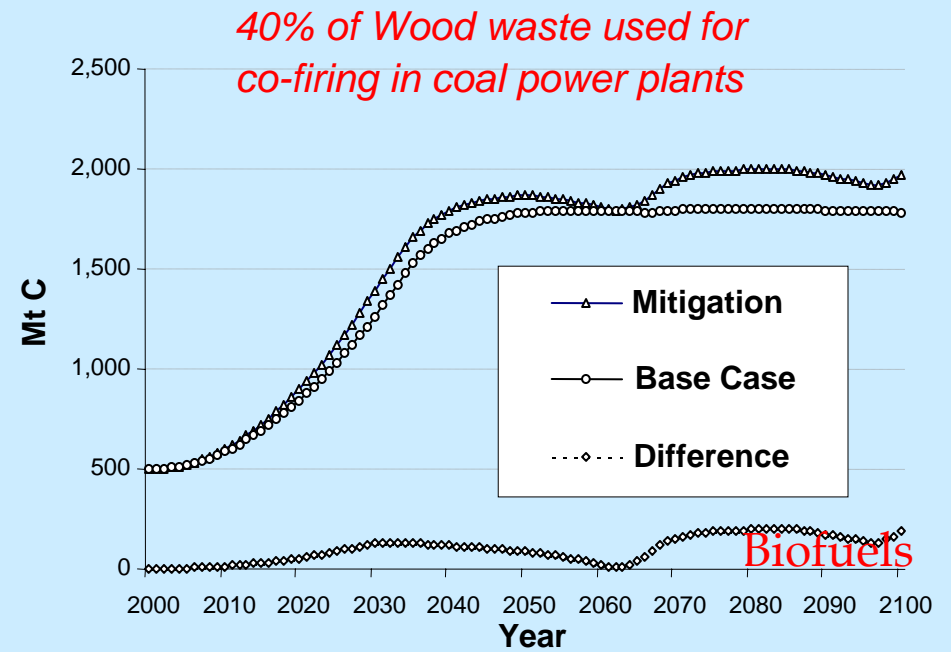
### Cumulative Land Area for LR Forestation



### No Biofuel -- Carbon Stock on Planted and Suitable Land and in Products

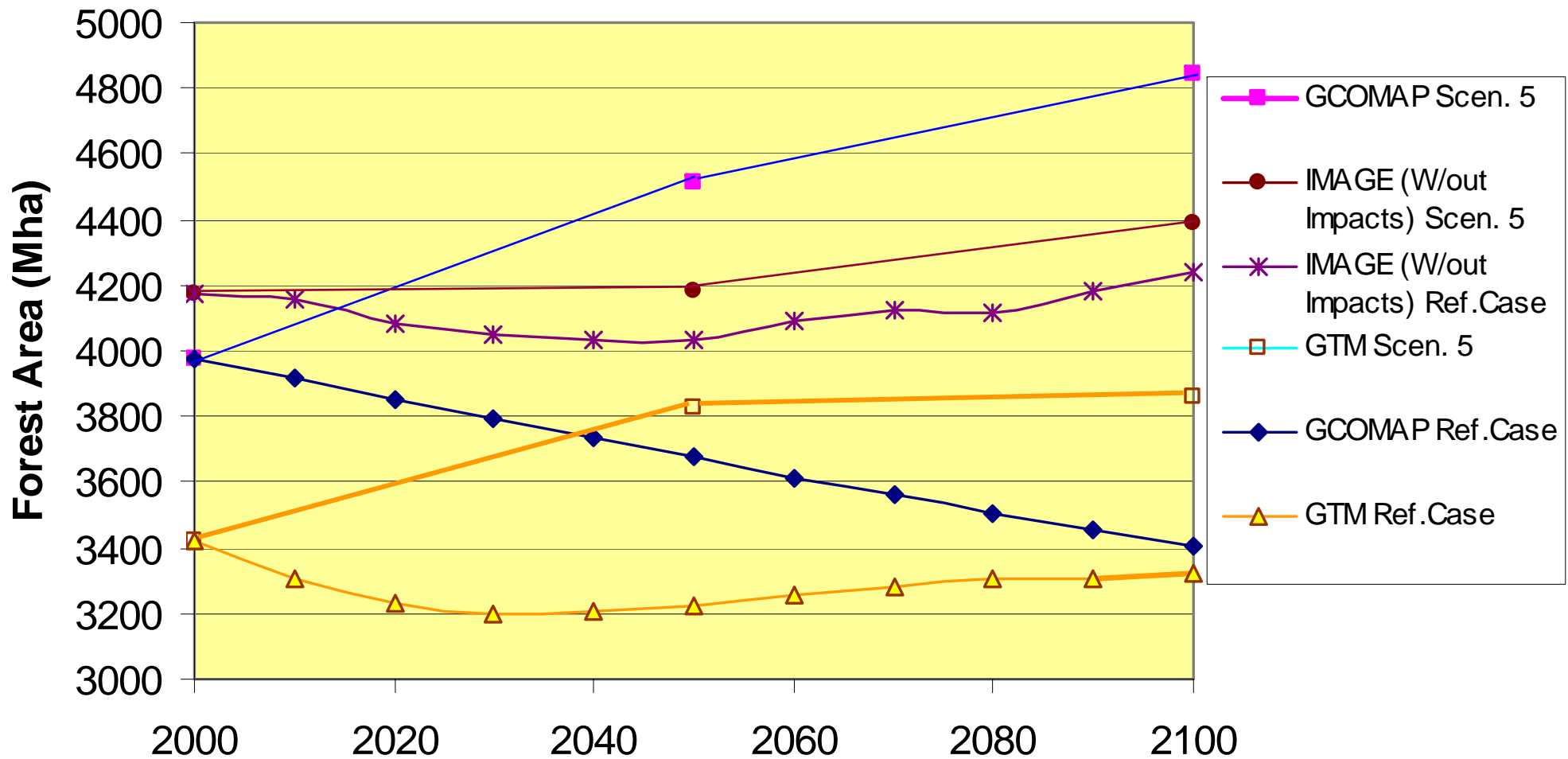


### With Biofuel -- Carbon Stock on Planted and Suitable Land and in Products



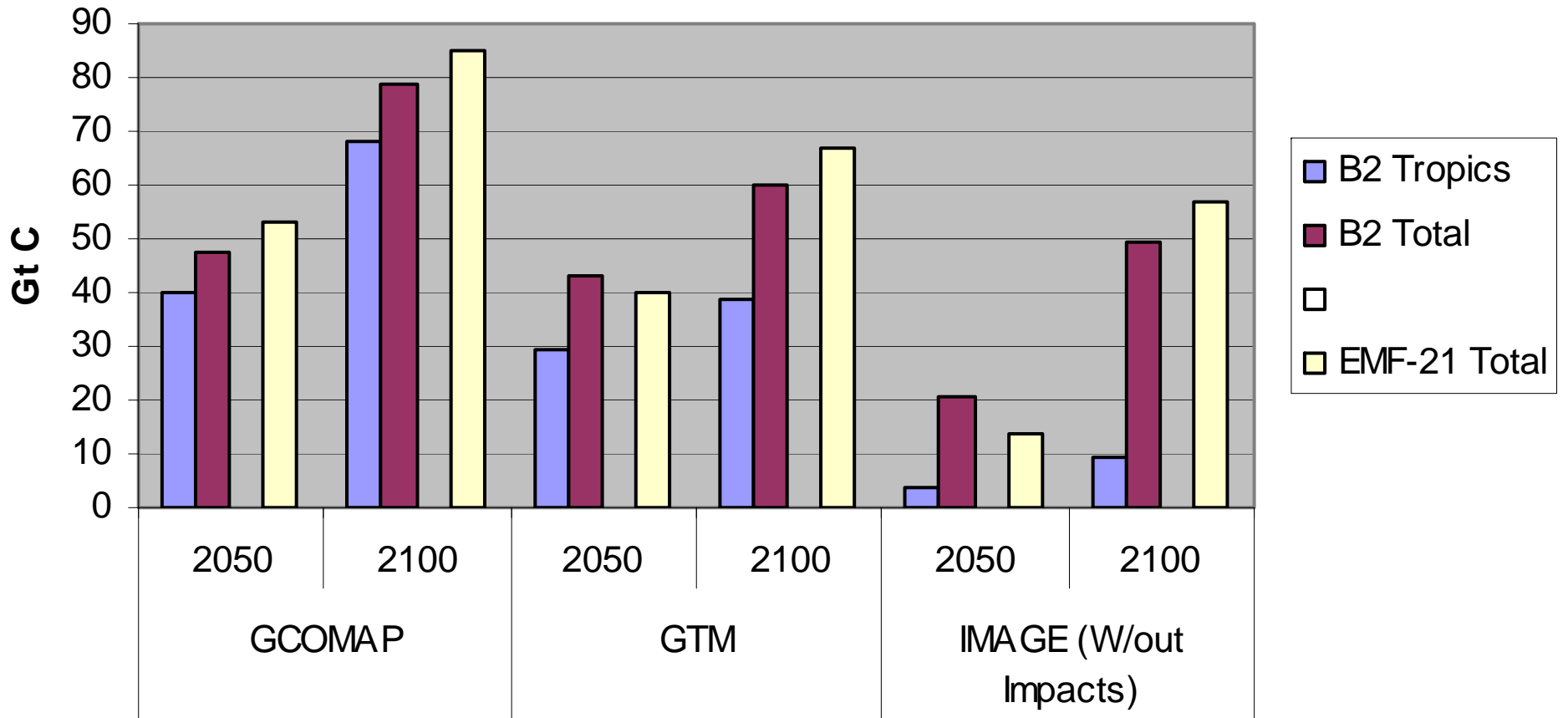
*EMF-21: Scenario 5 - World Forest Area Increases in the 3 Models*

**Forest Area (Reference and Scenario 5)**



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## Scenario 5 Carbon gain (Cumulative 2000 to year)



## *EMF-21: How Deforestation Handled – Critical for Reference & Mitigation Scenarios*

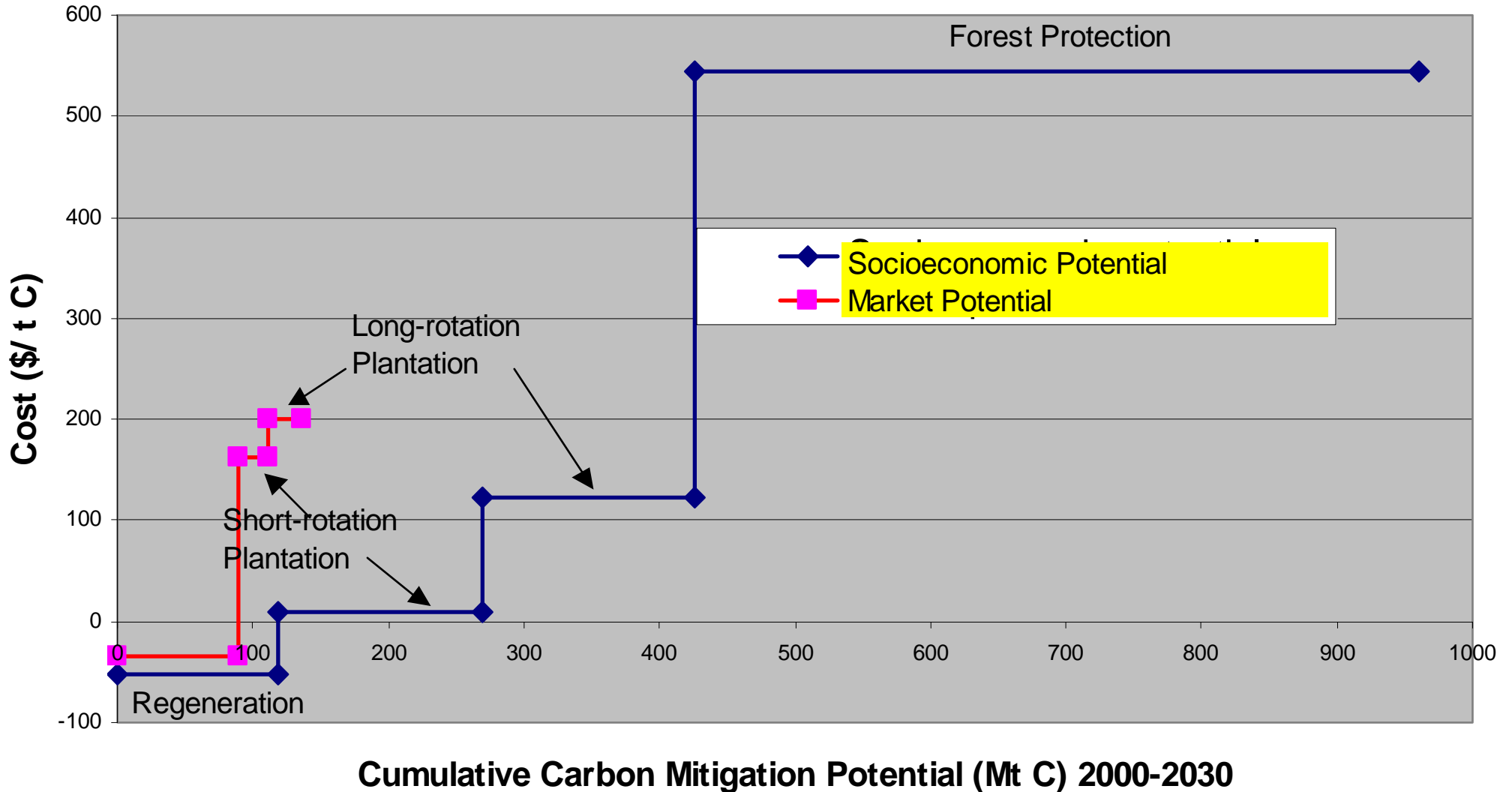
- Global deforestation: c. 17 million ha/yr 2000 (FAO)
- GTM: DEFOR baseline & as mitigation option (not reported)
- IMAGE: DEFOR in baseline & scenarios, but not as mitigation option.
  
- GCOMAP: DEFOR in baseline & avoided deforestation as mitigation:

<b>Scenario</b>	<b>Avoid DEFOR Cum. C, 2050</b>	<b>% of Total Mitigation 2050</b>	<b>Avoid DEFOR Cum. C, 2100</b>	<b>% of Total Mitigation 2100</b>
<b>Scen. 2</b>	10.9 Pg	48%	40 Pg	41%
<b>Scen. 5</b>	28.8 Pg	55%	52 Pg	64%

# Summary and Conclusions

- **Sequestered carbon and avoided emissions:**
  - IPCC SAR estimate: 60 – 80 Gt C
  - This study: 11 – 58 Gt C by 2050, and  
43 – 103 Gt C by 2100
  - Quantity depends on reference case forestation and deforestation assumptions, and on carbon price and path
  - Land availability limits planting in China, India, Russia, and US in many scenarios, and in Oceania and Rest of Asia in some scenarios
  - Biofuels could significantly increase the above values
- Carbon price could theoretically halt deforestation in Africa and Latin America in all scenarios, and in Asia in the high priced scenarios
- Model results being used by global carbon economics models, such as MERGE.
- Three different EMF-21 models show significant variance in base year data and in carbon sequestered.

# Forestry Mitigation Options With and Without Barriers, India: Preliminary COMAP Results



**Key Barriers:** Absence of organized markets, long distance to market, lack of access to credit, long gestation period, poor seed quality and inadequate fertilizer inputs,

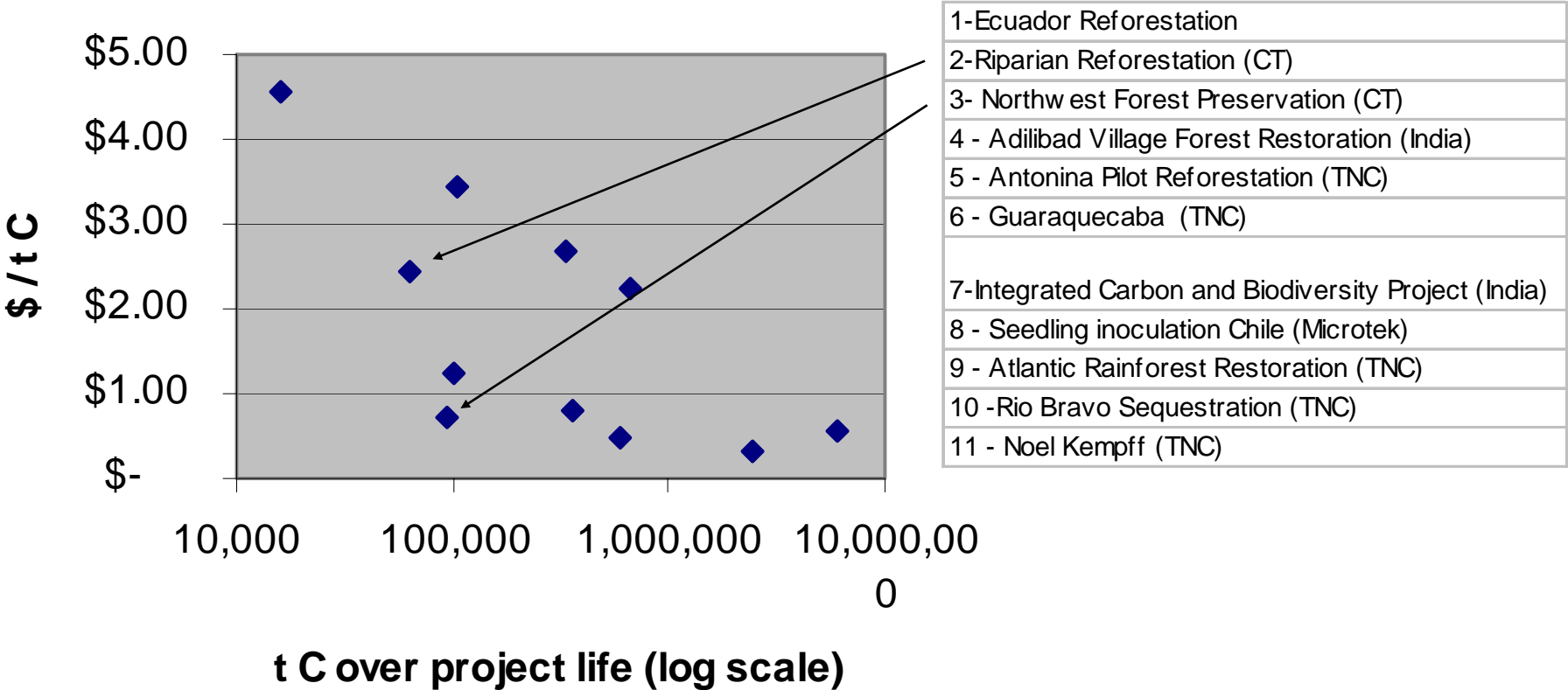
# *Transaction Cost Components in LBNL Study*

- Project search costs – Identification and stakeholder consultation
  - May be spread over many projects
- Feasibility studies costs – engineering, economic, and environmental assessments
  - GHG Baseline estimation and establishing additionality
- Negotiations costs – obtaining permits, negotiating and enforcing contracts for fuel supply, arranging financing
  - Marketing GHG credits, carbon contracting and enforcement
- Insurance costs – project risk insurance
  - GHG credit insurance (Difficult to get or too expensive today)
- Regulatory approval costs (GHG)
  - Project validation and government review (May include both domestic and international validation costs)
- Monitoring and verification costs (GHG) – During project implementation
  - Monitoring including equipment cost, verification and certification (Spread over many years of project life)

# *Transaction Costs: Data Sources*

- Data Set 1: (26 projects)
  - The Nature Conservancy (Forestry) -- Bolivia, and Brazil
  - Indian Institute of Science (Forestry) , LBNL (Household woodstoves)
  - Oregon Climate Trust (Forestry, energy efficiency, renewable energy)
  - Natural Resources Canada (Forestry)
  - Trexler and Associates (Forestry, methane, large power plants, energy efficiency, carbon capture)
- Data Set 2: (13 projects)
  - Ecofys (renewable energy)
  - Ecoenergy (bagasse cogeneration)
- Data Set 3: (50 projects) -
  - Swedish AIJ Programme (Energy efficiency and renewable energy)
- Data Set 4: (10 projects)
  - Global Environmental Facility
  - Transportation, energy efficiency, renewable energy

# Transaction Cost - Forestry Projects



Source: Data collated by LBNL from 11 international projects of varying sizes

## *Key Data Inputs: Elasticity Values*

<i>Elasticities</i>	<i>Values</i>	<i>Sources</i>
Timber supply price elasticity	0.49	Adams, MacCarl, Farouk et al, 1988
Timber domestic demand price elasticity	-1.0	McKillop, 1977, Robinson, 1976.
Timber international demand price elasticity	30	Makundi, 1990