
This list of approximately 12,000 terms is not a glossary, but it provides coded references to literature where these terms currently being used in forestry and forest products literature can be found. Wood anatomical terms are well represented, mainly with reference to F. C. Ford-Robertson’s Terminology in Forest Science; Core, Côté & Day’s Wood Structure and Identification and Henderson’s Dictionary of Biological Terms (9th edition by Holmes). One may wonder why the IAWA Glossary from 1964 has not been used, but the sources mentioned are probably partly based on the Glossary.

This vocabulary will be mainly useful for those who quickly want to check spelling and acceptance of certain terms, i.e., non-English authors and editors and compilers of indexes. A more compact type-setting could easily have reduced the bulk of this useful book by 50% or more, and thus have contributed to money, paper and tree saving.

Pieter Baas


This book, published in the series Forestry Sciences, contains the following chapters: nature and durability of wood; agencies of destruction; preservative methods & substances; protection of logs and sawn timber; treatment of wood by diffusion; copper/chrome/arsenic preservatives and their application to tropical timbers; preservation of marine timbers; durability and preservation of West African timbers; field testing in tropical countries; preservative treatment of bamboo; rubber wood and coconut palm; and economic aspects of wood preservation.


This book is part of the Forestry Sciences series published by Nijhoff/Junk. It addresses the crucial concerns of forest management: how to manage for economic efficiency, ecosystem integrity, and for the biologist’s concerns for species exclusion and extinction. The book has five major sections: 1) setting the stage using methods from Bunge’s exact philosophy and Haskell’s coordinate system; Haskell’s coordinate system in 2) analysis, and 3) synthesis; 4) the evolution of community interaction structure, and 5) Petulla’s conservation traditions and multiple use forest management.

SPECIAL BOOK OFFER

IAWA has purchased the remaining stock of ‘Wood Structure in Biological and Technological Research’ edited by P. Baas, A.J. Bolton & D.M. Catling and published in 1976 by Leiden University Press (Leiden Botanical Series 3, 280 pp., illus.). IAWA members and subscribers to the IAWA Bulletin can now order this much cited volume at the strongly reduced price of US$ 10.00 (previously US$ 34.00) directly from the Executive Secretary, Ben J.H. ter Welle, Instituut voor Systematische Plantkunde, Heidelberglaan 2, 3584 CS Utrecht, The Netherlands.


The subject matter ranges from comparative systematic and ecological wood anatomy, functional anatomy, tree and xylem development to fundamental and applied wood technology. Orders should be made with advance payment, preferably in cash. Payment by cheque should include US$ 2.50 extra to compensate for banking costs.