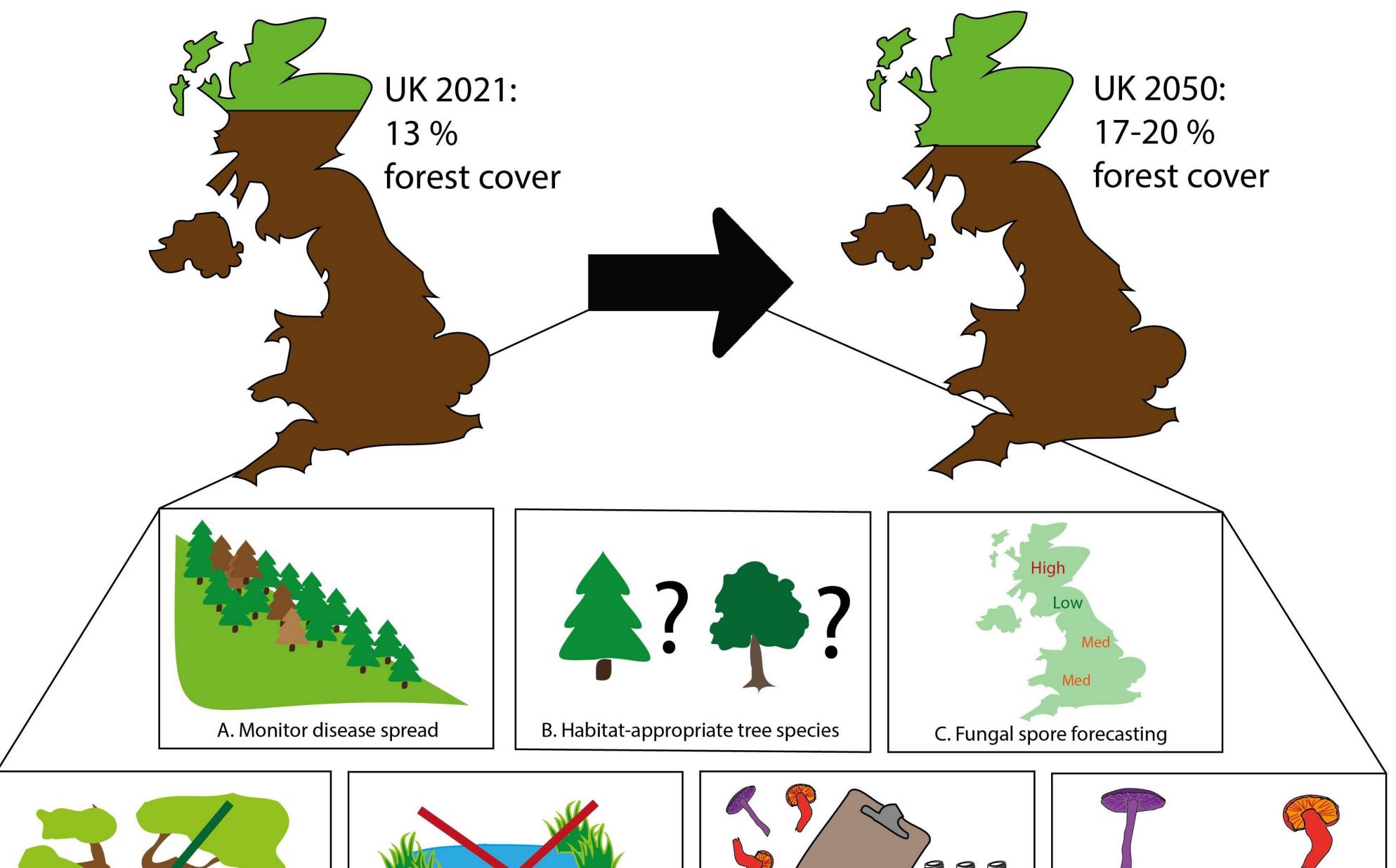
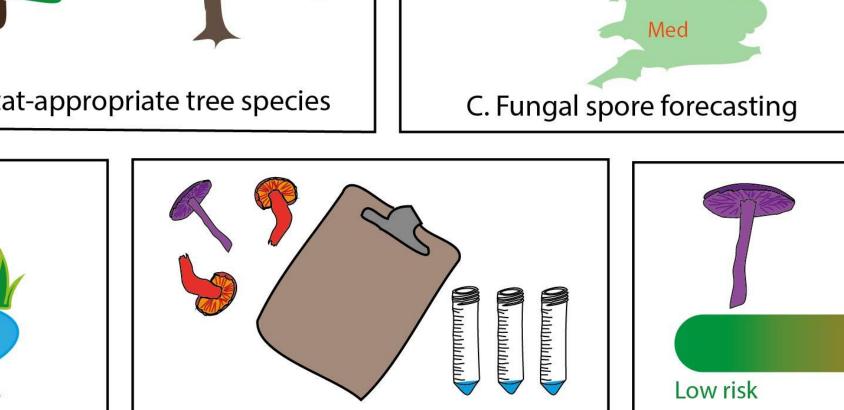
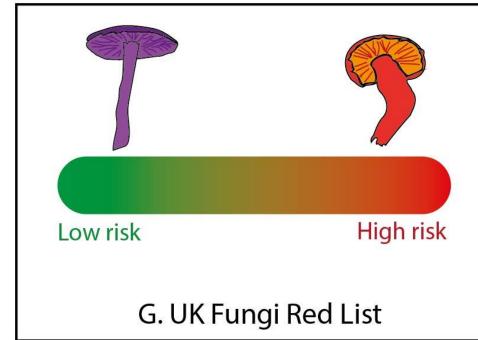
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The importance of fungi in the context of UK tree planting





F. Survey fungal biodiversity



Tree planting now forms a major part of the UK climate mitigation strategy, with targets to increase the forest cover from the current 13% to 17%-20% by 2050. In our new paper, we highlight four key reasons why fungi should be considered in tree planting strategies.

Following from these four reasons, we explore the ways in which the negative effects of fungi, such as plant and human disease, can be mitigated against, whilst also protecting and promoting the benefits of fungi in carbon storage and biodiversity. Based on this, we outline seven guidelines which should be integrated into existing tree planting guidelines and UK policy.



D. Protext existing woodlands

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E. Choose appropriate planting sites



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