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*Original articles*

Y. Madoka, S. Yasuda, T. Fukuda

Formation and regulation of secondary metabolites in cell cultures of woody plants II. Effect of gallic acid related substances added to medium on browning of ginkgo callus

W. Dwianto, T. Morooka, M. Norimoto

A method of measuring viscoelastic properties of wood under high-temperature and high-pressure steam conditions

Y. Furuta, M. Norimoto, H. Yano

Thermal-softening properties of water-swollen wood V. The effects of drying history and heating histories

E. Obataya, Y. Ohno, M. Norimoto

The viscoelastic behavior of Japanese lacquer film I. Mechanical relaxation processes of lacquer films

X. Sun, T. Tochigi, J. Kobayashi

Time series analysis of veneer thickness in soft-wood veneer cutting

M. Tonosaki, S. Sueyoshi, Y. Oribe

Effects of mass additions on the vibration and noise of a light frame full-scale modeled floor

A. Koizumi, J. L. Jensen, T. Sasaki, Y. Iijima, Y. Tamura

Withdrawal properties of hardwood dowels in end joints II. Effects of dowel diameters, Young's moduli of adherends, dowel spacings and numbers of dowels

T. Nishimura, M. Okuma

Development of low-density wood based boards considering the distribution of elements III. Properties of three layer-panels made from wave-elements

K. Takahashi

Relationships between the blacking phenomenon and norlignans of sugi (*Cryptomeria japonica* D. Don) heartwood II. On blacking heartwood containing two main norlignans, sugiresinol and hydroxysugiresinol

*Notes*

N. Hirai, E. Ando, T. Nishida, M. Date

Piezoelectric properties of benzyl cellulose

Y. Akamatsu

Identification of isolates of *Pleurotus* species from Fukui prefecture with compatibilities in pairing experiments