



**Figure S1.** Location of the study area and afforestation perimeter.

**Table S1.** Dasometric characteristics (H: height, bd: base diameter, dbh: diameter at breast height, G: basal area); Mean (standard error), and biomass measures of Carob trees plots (n = 9).

H (m)	bd (cm)	dbh (cm)	G (m <sup>2</sup> ha <sup>-1</sup> )	Density (trees/ha)
3,86 (0,14)	12,95 (0,76)	9,32 (0,58)	2,31 (0,27)	179 (12)
Foliate Biomass (kg tree <sup>-1</sup> )	Branches Biomass (kg tree <sup>-1</sup> )	Stems Biomass (kg tree <sup>-1</sup> )	Roots Biomass (kg tree <sup>-1</sup> )	Biomass per tree (kg)
6,82 (0,85)	14,53 (3,06)	9,53 (1,04)	17,07 (2,42)	46,48 (6,62)

**Table S2.** ALS-based metrics used for the estimation of tree heights. All the metrics were obtained with FUSION from normalized LAS files.

ALS-based metrics derived	Description
<i>H_Min</i>	Minimum
<i>H_Max</i>	Maximum
<i>H_Mean</i>	Mean
<i>H_Mode</i>	Mode
<i>H_StdDev</i>	Standard deviation
<i>H_Var</i>	Variance
<i>H_CV</i>	Coefficient of variation
<i>H_IQ</i>	Interquartile distance
<i>H_Skew</i>	Skewness
<i>H_Kurt</i>	Krutosis
<i>H_AAD</i>	Average Absolute Deviation
<i>H_MADMedian</i>	Median of the absolute deviations from the overall median
<i>H_MADMode</i>	Median of the absolute deviations from the overall mode
<i>H_L1, H_L2, ... ,H_L4</i>	L_moments L1, L2, ... ,L4
<i>H_LSkew</i>	L_moment of skewness
<i>H_LKurt</i>	L_moment of kurtosis
<i>H_P01, H_P10,..., H_P99</i>	Percentile values (1 <sup>st</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> , 10 <sup>th</sup> , ... , 99 <sup>th</sup> )