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All the samples, except for the last two listed here were largely made of very small pieces. A small proportion of each of these samples, with the exception of 202/28, was too small to get a good section and so was not identified. The pieces in 9/4 were so small and soft (probably due to incomplete carbonisation) that no good sections could be made with the limited amount of material.

26	26/29	0.5mm	flot	Corylus avellana/Alnus glutinosa Betula sp.
1001	∑1001/19	81	**	Corylus avellana/Alnus glutinosa Betula sp.
1000	<u>/</u> 1000/10			Corylus avellana/Alnus glutinosa
53	53/20			Betula sp.
26	26/22	1+	**	Corylus avellana/Alnus glutinosa
<u> </u>	9/4			Unidentfiable
248	248/111			Corylus avellana - knot
	248/17			Corylus avellana
202	202/28			Knot - probably immature Quercus sp. Betula sp., Fraxinus excelsior, immature Fraxinus excelsior
	202/9			Corylus avellana/Alnus glutinosa immature Fraxinus excelsior
21	N60 Site B			Quercus sp.
111				Corylus avellana/Alnus glutinosa immature Quercus sp.