

**Table 13.1** Initial elemental composition [ $\text{mg g}^{-1}$ ] and C/N ratio for the beech leaf litters used for the transplant decomposition experiment.

Site	N	C	C/N	P	S	K	Ca	Mg	Mn	Na	Al	Fe	Cu	Zn	B
AuF	11.8	503	43	0.857	1.07	2.74	7.82	0.617	0.998	0.140	0.098	0.10	0.042	0.056	0.042
Col	10.8	494	45	0.571	1.12	2.40	17.1	1.53	0.310	0.213	0.206	0.145	0.009	0.040	0.033
Sch	11.3	499	44	0.426	1.03	0.902	10.5	0.927	0.420	0.054	0.093	0.096	0.009	0.053	0.053
Sor	10.8	501	46	0.519	1.21	1.29	16.4	1.58	0.141	0.164	0.061	0.069	0.009	0.049	0.035