

Table 1. Summary of typically observed variation in thermally-relevant leaf traits with canopy height and/or between sun and shade leaves

trait	symbol	units	response*	forest type(s) [†]	reference(s) [‡]
Leaf anatomy and morphological traits					
leaf area	<i>LA</i>	cm ²	↓ H	TrB, TeB, BoN	7, 8, 10
			↓ L	TrB, TeB, BoN	7, 8, 3, 10
leaf mass per area (or inverse of specific leaf area)	<i>LMA (or 1/SLA)</i>	g cm ⁻²	↑ H	TrB, TeB, TeN, BoN	1, 55, 7, 2, 3, 4, 6
			↑ L	TrB, TeB, TeN, BoN	1, 7, 2, 3, 5, 6
leaf thickness		μm	↑ H	TrB, TeB, TeN	15, 11, 2, 13, 16
			↑ L	TrB, TeB, TeN	11, 15, 2, 5
leaf density		g cm ⁻³	↑ H	TeB	2
			↑ L	TrB, TeB	6, 2
			≈ L	TeN	5
pinnate lobation		cm ²	↑ H	TeB	3
			↓ H	TeB	8
			↑ L	TeB	8, 3
leaf packing		n /cm stem	↑ L	TeN	25, 26
blade inclination angle (vertical)	<i>φB</i>	°	↑ H	TrB, TeB	21, 22, 23
			↑ L	TrB, TeB	21, 24, 23, 22, 48
trichome density		mm ⁻²	↑ H	TrB	17
			↑ L	TrB, TeB	17, 18, 19, 20
stomatal density	<i>D_{stomata}</i>	mm ⁻²	↑ H	TrB, TeB, TeN	11, 12, 3, 13, 4
			↑ L	TrB, TeB	12, 11, 3
total vein density	<i>VLA</i>	mm mm ⁻²	↑ H	TeB	46
			↑ L	TeB	46, 47
minor vein density	<i>VLA_{min}</i>	mm mm ⁻²	↑ H	TeB	14
			↑ L	TeB	14, 47
upper cuticle thickness	<i>CT</i>	μm	↑ H	TrB, TeN	27, 4
			↑ L	TrB, TeB	27, 28
Traits related to metabolic capacity and efficiency					
nitrogen content	<i>N</i>	g m ⁻²	↑ H	TrB, TeB, TeN, BoN	55, 7, 29, 30, 32, 31, 9
		mg g ⁻¹	≈↓ H	TrB, TeB, TeN	55, 15, 7, 29, 30, 32, 34
			≈↓ L	TrB, TeB, TeN	7, 35, 29, 30, 32, 5
phosphorous content	<i>P</i>	g m ⁻²	↑ H	TrB, TeB, TeN	55, 15, 36, 1, 37
			↑ L	TrB, TeB, TeN	15, 5
			≈ L	TrB, TeB	1
		mg g ⁻¹	≈↓ H	TrB	55, 15, 35, 1
			≈ L	TrB, TeB	15, 35, 1

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chlorophyll content	<i>Chl</i>	mg cm ⁻²	↓ H	TrB, TeB	40, 41
chlorophyll a/b ratio	<i>chl a/b</i>	mol mol ⁻¹	↓ L	TrB, TeB	42, 41
			↑ H	TrB, TeB, BoN	42, 30, 6
			↑ L	TrB, TeB, BoN	42, 30, 39, 22, 6
carbon isotope ratio	$\delta^{13}C$	‰	↑ H	TrB, TeB, TeN	55, 7, 43, 31
			↑ L	TrB, TeB, TeN	7, 29, 31
intercellular CO ₂ concentration	<i>C_i</i>	μmol mol ⁻¹	↓ H	TeB, BoN	51, 30, 44
			↓ L	TeB	30, 44
Light absorption or reflectance					
PAR absorptance		%	≈ H	TrB	42, 45
			≈↑ L	TrB	42, 45
absorptance efficiency per unit biomass		% g ⁻¹	↓ H	TrB	42, 45
			↓ L	TrB	42, 45
PAR transmittance		%	↓ H	TrB	42, 45
			↓ L	TrB	42, 45
Reflectance		%	≈ H	TrB	42, 45
			↑ H	BoN	6
			≈ L	TrB	42, 45
Biochemical protection against light and heat damage					
β-carotene and lutein		μmol m ⁻²	↑ H	TrB, TeB, BoN	30, 42, 6
			↑ L	TrB, TeB, BoN	30, 38, 6
xanthophyll cycle pigments	VAZ	μmol m ⁻²	↑ H	TrB, TeB	38, 30, 22
			↑ L	TrB, TeB	39, 30
isoprene emission ability	<i>I</i>	nmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹	↑ H	TrB	49
			(peak in mid-canopy)		
			↑ L	TrB	49
			(peak in mid-canopy)		
			↑ L	TeB	50

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isoprene emission (in emitting species)	<i>I</i>	nmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹	↑ H (peak in mid-canopy) ↑ L (peak in mid-canopy) ↑ H ↑ L	TrB TrB TeB TeB	49 49 32, 60 32, 61, 62
monoterpenoid emissions	<i>MT</i>	μg m ⁻² s ⁻¹	↑ H (peak in mid-canopy) ↑ L (peak in mid-canopy)	TeB TeB	63 63
Thermal tolerance					
photosynthetic heat tolerance	<i>T</i> ₅₀	°C	↓ H**	TrS	52
critical temperature beyond which Fv/Fm declines	<i>T</i> _{crit}	°C	≈↑ L	TrB, TeB	53, 54
			≈↑ L	TrB, TeB	53
Phenology					
bud break		day of year	↓ H	TeB	56
leaf lifespan		months	↓ H ↓ L	TrB	57
drought deciduous leaf habit		%	↑ H	TrB	58, 59

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