

Table 2. Summary of typically observed variation in leaf metabolism and thermal responses across the vertical gradient and/or between sun and shade leaves

trait	symbol	units	response*	forest type(s) [†]	reference(s) [‡]
Conductance					
leaf hydraulic conductance	K_{leaf}	$\text{m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1} \text{MPa}^{-1}$	↑ with light	TeB	41
cuticle conductance	g_{min}	$\text{mmol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$	↑ with light	TrB	47
max stomatal conductance	$g_{s\ max}$	$\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$	↑ with height	TrB, TeB, BoN	1, 2, 4
			↑ with light	TrB, TeB, TeN, BoN	8, 9, 10, 7, 4
stomatal conductance limitation	g_s	$\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$	↑ with height	TrB, TeN	9, 40, 5, 6, 7
stomatal conductance at optimal temperature	$g_s \text{ at } T_{opt}$	$\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$	↑ with light ≈↑ with height	TrB, TeN TeB	9, 40, 7 11
boundary-layer conductance	g_b	$\text{mmol}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$	↓ with height ≈↑ with light ↑ with height	TrB TrB TrB	40 8 3
		mm s^{-1}	↑ with height ≈ with light	TeN TeN	12 12
Photosynthesis					
maximum photosynthetic capacity	A_{max}	$\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$	↑ with height	TrB, TeB, BoN	14, 11, 15, 4
			≈↓ with height ↑ with light	TeB TrB, TeB, TeN, BoN	16 14, 17, 18, 19, 10, 4
		$\text{nmol g}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$	≈ with height ≈ with light	TrB TrB, TeB, TeN	20, 21 20, 21, 19
maximum light-saturated net photosynthesis	A_{sat}	$\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$	↑ with height	TrB, TeB	22, 23
A_{sat} at optimum temperature	A_{opt}	$\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$	↑ with light ≈↑ with height	TrB, TeB TrB, TeB	8, 23 13, 11
			↑ with height ↑ with light	TrB TrB	40 8, 13

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optimum temperature for photosynthesis	T_{opt}	°C	≈ with height	TrB, TeB	24, 11, 13
			↓ with height	TrB	40
			≈ with light	TrB, TeB	9, 8, 11
photosynthetic light compensation point	LCP	μmol m ⁻²	↑ with height	TrB, TeB, TeN	25, 16
			↑ with light	TrB, TeB, TeN	8, 17, 16
maximal carboxylation rate	V_{cmax}	μmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹	↑ with height	TrB, TeB	2, 23, 14
			↑ with light	TrB, TeB, BoN	9, 23, 14, 10
		nmol g ⁻¹ s ⁻¹	≈ with height	TrB, TeB	2, 23
			≈ with light	TrB, TeB	2, 23
		nmol CO ₂ g ⁻¹ s ⁻¹	≈↓ with light	TeB	26
optimum temperature for V_{cmax}	$V_{cmax}(T_{opt})$	μmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹	≈↑ with height	TeB	11
			≈ with light	TrB	9
electron transport rate	J_{max}	μmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹	↑ with height	TrB, TeB	2, 40, 23, 14
			↑ with light	TrB, TeB	9, 23, 27, 14
		nmol g ⁻¹ s ⁻¹	≈ with height	TrB, TeB	2, 23
			≈ with light	TrB, TeB	2, 23
		nmol e ⁻¹ g ⁻¹ s ⁻¹	≈↓ with light	TeB	26
optimal temperature of J_{max}	T_{optETR}	°C	↓ with height	TrB	40
	$J_{max}(T_{opt})$	μmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹	≈ with light	TrB	9
photosynthetic heat tolerance	T_{50}	°C	↓ with height**	TrS	31
			≈↑ with light	TrB, TeB	8, 17
critical temperature beyond which Fv/Fm declines	T_{crit}	°C	≈↑ with light	TrB, TeB	8
high-temperature CO ₂ compensation point	T_{max}	°C	≈ with height	TrB	22
			≈ with light	TrB	8

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Respiration					
respiration rate at 25 °C	R	$\mu\text{mol CO}_2 \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	↑ with height	TrB, TeB, TeN	40, 32, 33, 34
		$\mu\text{mol CO}_2 \text{ kg}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$	≈ with height	TrB, TeB, TeN	32, 33
dark respiration	R_{dark}	$\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	↑ with light ↑ with height	TrB, TeN TrB, TeB, BoN	32, 34, 22, 14, 35, 23, 39
		$\text{nmol g}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$	↑ with light ≈ ↑ with height ≈ with light	TrB, TeB, TeN, BoN TrB TrB	22, 14, 23, 17, 10, 39 2, 36 2, 36
R_{dark} at reference T	$R_{\text{dark at reference } T}$	$\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	↑ with height	TrB, TeB, TeN	22, 14, 35, 33
		$\mu\text{mol (kg leaf)}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$	↑ with height	TrB, TeB, TeN	22, 14, 35, 33
		$\mu\text{mol (kg N)}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$	↑ with height	TeB, TeN	35, 33
temperature sensitivity of R_{dark}	Q_{10}	$\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}^{-1}$	↑ with light ≈ with height	TrB, TeB TrB, TeB, TeN	22, 8, 35. 22, 40, 35, 34
		$^{\circ}\text{C}^{-1}$	≈ ↑ with height ≈ ↓ with light ↑ with light	TeB, TeN TrB, TeB, TeN TeB	37, 33 22, 35, 34 37
light respiration	R_L	$\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	↑ with height ↑ with light	TrB TrB	22 22
activation energy of R_{dark}	E_0	$\text{kJ mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$	≈ with height ≈ with light	TrB, TeB, TeN TrB	22, 38, 33 22, 8
VOC production					
isoprene emission (in emitting species)	I	$\text{nmol m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	↑ with height (peak in mid-canopy) ↑ with light (peak in mid-canopy) ↑ with height	TrB TrB TeB	42 42 37, 43
monoterpenoid emissions	MT	$\mu\text{g m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	↑ with light ↓ with height ↓ with light	TeB TeB TeB	37, 44, 45 46 46

1. Kafuti et al. 2020; **2.** Van Wittenberghe et al. 2012; **3.** Roberts et al. 1990; **4.** Dang et al. 1997; **5.** Marengo et al. 2017; **6.** Ambrose et al. 2015; **7.** Zweifel et al. 2001; **8.** Slot et al. 2019; **9.** Hernandez et al. 2020; **10.** Urban et al. 2007; **11.** Carter and Cavaleri 2018; **12.** Martin et al. 1999; **13.** Mau et al. 2018; **14.** Kosugi et al. 2012; **15.** Niinemets et al. 2015; **16.** Bachofen et al. 2020; **17.** Hamerlynck and Knapp 1994; **18.** Coble et al. 2017; **19.** Wyka et al. 2012; **20.** Rijkse et al. 2000; **21.** Ishida et al. 1999; **22.** Weerasinghe et al. 2014; **23.** Scartazza et al. 2016; **24.** Miller et al. 2021; **25.** Harris and Medina 2013; **26.** Legner et al. 2014; **27.** Kitao et al. 2012; **28.** Fauset et al. 2018; **29.** Rey-Sanchez et al. 2016; **30.** Muller et al. 2021; **31.** Curtis et al. 2019; **32.** Mier et al. 2001; **33.** Turnbull et al. 2003; **34.** Araki et al. 2017; **35.** Bolstad et al. 1999; **36.** Kenzo et al. 2015; **37.** Harley et al. 1996; **38.** Xu and Griffin 2006; **39.** Atherton et al. 2017; **40.** Carter et al. 2021; **41.** Sack et al. 2003; **42.** Taylor et al. 2021; **43.** Harley et al. 1997; **44.** Niinemets and Sun, 2014; **45.** Sharkey and Monson, 2014; **46.** Saimpraga et al. 2013; **47.** Slot et al. 2021