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)‡ | |
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| **Conductance** | | | | | |
| boundary-layer conductance | *gb* | mmol m-2 s-1 | ↑ H | TrB | 3 | |
|  |  | mm s-1 | ↑ H | TeN | 12 | |
|  |  |  | ≈ L | TeN | 12 | |
| leaf hydraulic conductance | *Kleaf* | m-2 s-1 MPa-1 | ↑ L | TeB | 40 | |
| cuticle conductance | *gmin* | mmol m-² s-1 | ↑ L | TrB | 41 | |
| max stomatal conductance | *gs max* | mol m-² s-1 | ↑ H | TrB, TeB, BoN | 1, 2, 4 | |
|  |  |  | ↑ L | TrB, TeB, TeN, BoN | 8, 9, 10, 7, 4 | |
| stomatal conductance limitation | *gs* | mol m-2 s-1 | ↑ H | TrB, TeN | 9, 39, 5, 6, 7 | |
|  |  |  | ↑ L | TrB, TeN | 9, 39, 7 | |
| stomatal conductance at optimal temperature | *gs at Topt* | mol m-2 s-1 | ≈↑ H | TeB | 11 | |
|  |  |  | ↓ H | TrB | 39 | |
|  |  |  | ≈↑ L | TrB | 8 | |
| **Photosynthesis** |  |  |  |  |  | |
| maximum photosynthetic capacity | *Amax* | mol m-2 s-1 | ↑ H | TrB, TeB, BoN | 14, 11, 15, 4 | |
|  |  |  | ≈↓ H | TeB | 16 | |
|  |  |  | ↑ L | TrB, TeB, TeN, BoN | 14, 17, 18, 19, 10, 4 | |
|  |  | nmol g-1 s-1 | ≈ H | TrB | 20, 21 | |
|  |  |  | ≈ L | TrB, TeB, TeN | 20, 21, 19 | |
| maximum light-saturated net photosynthesis | *Asat* | µmol m-2 s-1 | ↑ H | TrB, TeB | 22, 23 | |
|  |  |  | ↑ L | TrB, TeB | 8, 23 | |
| Asat at optimum temperature | *Aopt* | µmol m-2 s-1 | ≈↑ H | TrB, TeB | 13, 11 | |
|  |  |  | ↑ H | TrB | 39 | |
|  |  |  | ↑ L | TrB | 8, 13 | |
| optimum temperature for photosynthesis | *Topt* | ˚C | ≈ H | TrB, TeB | 24, 11, 13 | |
|  |  |  | ↓ H | TrB | 39 | |
|  |  |  | ≈ L | TrB, TeB | 9, 8, 11 | |
| photosynthetic light compensation point | *LCP* | µmol m-2 | ↑ H | TrB, TeB, TeN | 25, 16 | |
|  |  |  | ↑ L | TrB, TeB, TeN | 8, 17, 16 | |
| maximal carboxylation rate | *Vcmax* | µmol m-2 s-1 | ↑ H | TrB, TeB | 2, 42, 23, 14 | |
|  |  |  | ↑ L | TrB, TeB, BoN | 9, 42, 23, 14, 10 | |
|  |  | nmol g-1 s-1 | ≈ H | TrB, TeB | 2, 23 | |
|  |  |  | ≈ L | TrB, TeB | 2, 23 | |
|  |  | nmol CO2 g-1 s-1 | ≈↓ L | TeB | 26 | |
| optimum temperature for *Vcmax* | *Vcmax (Topt)* | µ mol m-2 s-1 | ≈↑ H | TeB | 11 | |
|  |  |  | ≈ L | TrB | 9 | |
| electron transport rate | *Jmax* | µmol m-2 s-1 | ↑ H | TrB, TeB | 2, 42, 39, 23, 14 | |
|  |  |  | ↑ L | TrB, TeB | 9, 42, 23, 27, 14 | |
|  |  | nmol g-1 s-1 | ≈ H | TrB, TeB | 2, 23 | |
|  |  |  | ≈ L | TrB, TeB | 2, 23 | |
|  |  | nmol e-1 g-1 s-1 | ≈↓ L | TeB | 26 | |
| optimal temperature of *Jmax* | *ToptETR* | ˚C | ↓ H | TrB | 39 | |
|  | *Jmax(Topt)* | µmol m-2 s-1 | ≈ L | TrB | 9 | |
| high-temperature CO2 compensation point | *Tmax* | ˚C | ≈ H | TrB | 22 | |
|  |  |  | ≈ L | TrB | 8 | |
| **Respiration** |  |  |  |  |  | |
| respiration rate at 25 ˚C | *R* | µmol CO2m-2s-1 | ↑ H | TrB, TeB, TeN | 39, 31, 32, 33 | |
|  |  | µmol CO2kg-1 s-1 | ≈ H | TrB, TeB, TeN | 31, 32 | |
|  |  |  | ↑ L | TrB, TeN | 31, 33, | |
| light respiration | *RL* | µmol m-2 s-1 | ↑ H | TrB | 22 | |
|  |  |  | ↑ L | TrB | 22 | |
| dark respiration | *Rdark* | µmol m-2 s-1 | ↑ H | TrB, TeB, BoN | 22, 14, 34, 23, 38 | |
|  |  |  | ↑ L | TrB, TeB, TeN, BoN | 22, 14, 23, 17, 10, 38 | |
|  |  | nmol g-1 s-1 | ≈↑ H | TrB | 2, 35 | |
|  |  |  | ≈ L | TrB | 2, 35 | |
| *Rdark* at reference *T* | *Rdark at reference T* | µmol m-2 s-1 | ↑ H | TrB, TeB, TeN | 22, 14, 34, 32 | |
|  |  | µmol (kg leaf)-1 s-1 | ↑ H | TrB, TeB, TeN | 22, 14, 34, 32 | |
|  |  | µmol (kg N)-1 s-1 | ↑ H | TeB,TeN | 34, 32 | |
|  |  | µmol m-2 s-1 | ↑ L | TrB, TeB | 22, 8, 34. | |
| temperature sensitivity of *Rdark* | *Q10* | ˚C-1 | ≈ H | TrB, TeB, TeN | 22, 39, 34, 33 | |
|  |  | ˚C-1 | ≈ ↑ H | TeB, TeN | 36, 32 | |
|  |  |  | ≈ ↓ L | TrB, TeB, TeN | 22, 34, 33 | |
|  |  |  | ↑ L | TeB | 36 | |
| activation energy of *Rdark* | *E0* | kJ mol-1 K-1 | ≈ H | TrB, TeB, TeN | 22, 37, 32 | |
|  |  |  | ≈ L | TrB | 22, 8 | |

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