

Supporting Information for

A Lumped Pathway Metabolic Model of Organic Carbon Accumulation and Mobilization by the Alga *Chlamydomonas reinhardtii*

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Rate	Reaction	Stoichiometry	Citations
R₁	Synthesis of G3P from CO ₂	$\alpha_p h\nu + \text{CO}_2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{3} \text{G3P} + \text{O}_2$	[1, 2]
R₂	Synthesis of acetyl-CoA from G3P	$\frac{1}{3} \text{G3P} \rightarrow \frac{1}{3} \text{acetyl-CoA} + \frac{2}{3} \text{NADH}_2 + \frac{2}{3} \text{ATP} + \frac{1}{3} \text{CO}_2$	[3, 4]
R₃	Synthesis of biomass precursors from acetyl-CoA	$\frac{1}{2} (1 + \delta_x + \delta_N) \text{acetyl-S-CoA} + 0.2 \text{NO}_3^- + (\alpha_m - \frac{1}{2} \delta_N) \text{ATP} \rightarrow \text{CH}_{1.8}\text{O}_{0.5}\text{N}_{0.2} + (\delta_x + \delta_N) \text{CO}_2 + (2 \delta_x - 0.1) \text{NADH}_2$	[5, 6]
R₄	Polymerization of biomass precursors & maintenance	$\text{CH}_{1.8}\text{O}_{0.5}\text{N}_{0.2} + \left(\alpha_x + \frac{m_{\text{ATP}}}{\mu}\right) \text{ATP} \rightarrow \frac{1}{n} (\text{CH}_{1.8}\text{O}_{0.5}\text{N}_{0.2})_n$	[6, 7]
R₅	Carbon source catabolism	$\frac{1}{2} \text{acetyl-CoA} \rightarrow 1 \text{CO}_2 + \frac{3}{2} \text{NADH}_2 + \frac{1}{2} \text{FADH}_2 + \frac{1}{2} \text{ATP}$	[4]
R₆	Oxidative phosphorylation	$1 \text{NADH}_2 + \frac{1}{2} \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \delta_{\text{PO}} \text{ATP}$	[8, 9]
R₇	Synthesis of PG from G3P	$\frac{1}{3} \text{G3P} + \frac{1}{6} (\text{glucose})_n + \frac{1}{6} \text{ATP} \rightarrow \frac{1}{6} (\text{glucose})_{n+1}$	[3, 4]
R₈	Synthesis of G3P from PG	$\frac{1}{6} (\text{glucose})_{n+1} + \frac{1}{6} \text{ATP} \rightarrow \frac{1}{6} (\text{glucose})_n + \frac{1}{3} \text{G3P}$	[10]
R₉	Synthesis of TAG from acetyl-CoA	$\frac{25}{51} \text{acetyl-CoA} + \frac{23}{51} \text{ATP} + \frac{42}{51} \text{NADPH}_2 + \frac{3}{51} \text{NADH}_2 + \frac{1}{51} \text{CO}_2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{51} \text{TAG}$	[3, 11]
R₁₀	Synthesis of acetyl-CoA from TAG	$\frac{1}{51} \text{TAG} + \frac{2}{51} \text{ATP} \rightarrow \frac{24}{51} \text{NADH}_2 + \frac{21}{51} \text{FADH}_2 + \frac{1}{51} \text{CO}_2 + \frac{25}{51} \text{acetyl-CoA}$	[4, 10]

Note: α_p in R₁ is a light energy efficiency factor [unitless].

Table S2. Linear equations for nutrient-available metabolism of X_{CPO} .

#	Equation	Units
1 ^a	$r_{NADH2} = 0 = \frac{2}{3} r_2 + (2\delta_X - 0.1) r_3 + \frac{11}{6} r_5 - r_6 + \frac{38}{51} r_{10}$	moles-(NADH ₂)·hour ⁻¹
2	$r_{ATP} = 0 = \frac{2}{3} r_2 - (\alpha_m - \frac{1}{2} \delta_N) r_3 - \left(\alpha_X + \frac{m_{ATP}}{\mu} \right) r_4 + \frac{1}{2} r_5 + \delta_{PO} r_6 - \frac{1}{6} r_8 - \frac{2}{51} r_{10}$	moles-(ATP)·hour ⁻¹
3	$r_{precursors} = 0 = r_3 - r_4$	moles-(precursors as C)·hour ⁻¹
4	$r_{acetyl-CoA} = 0 = \frac{2}{3} r_2 - (1 + \delta_X + \delta_N) r_3 - r_5 + \frac{50}{51} r_{10}$	moles-(acetyl-CoA as C)·hour ⁻¹
5	$r_{G3P} = 0 = r_1 - r_2 + r_8$	moles-(G3P as C)·hour ⁻¹
6	$r_{XCPO} = r_4$	moles-(X _{CPO} as C)·hour ⁻¹
7	$r_{PG} = -r_8$	moles-(PG as C)·hour ⁻¹
8	$r_{TAG} = -r_{10}$	moles-(TAG as C)·hour ⁻¹
9	$r_{O2} = r_1 - \frac{1}{2} r_6$	moles-(O ₂)·hour ⁻¹
10	$r_{CO2} = -r_1 + \frac{1}{3} r_2 + (\delta_X + \delta_N) r_3 + r_5 + \frac{1}{51} r_{10}$	moles-(CO ₂)·hour ⁻¹
11 ^b	$4 r_1 + 4 \left(-\frac{1}{2} r_6 \right) = \frac{290}{51} r_{TAG} + 4 r_{PG} + 5.8 r_{XCPO}$	-

^a Assumes $FADH_2 = \frac{2}{3} NADH_2$.

^b Degree of reduction balance based on Roels^[5] assuming a TAG elemental composition of C₅₁H₉₈O₆. Carbon in functional biomass (X_{CPO}) is reduced 21/5 and nitrogen 8/5 (total of 29/5).

Table S3. Linear equations for nutrient-deplete metabolism of X_{CPO} .

#	Equation	Units
1 ^a	$r_{NADH2} = 0 = \frac{2}{3} r_2 + (2\delta_X - 0.1) r_3 + \frac{11}{6} r_5 - r_6 - \frac{45}{51} r_9$	moles-(NADH ₂)·hour ⁻¹
2	$r_{ATP} = 0 = \frac{2}{3} r_2 - (\alpha_m - \frac{1}{2} \delta_N) r_3 - \left(\alpha_X + \frac{m_{ATP}}{\mu} \right) r_4 + \frac{1}{2} r_5 + \delta_{PO} r_6 - \frac{1}{6} r_7 - \frac{23}{51} r_9$	moles-(ATP)·hour ⁻¹
3	$r_{precursors} = 0 = r_3 - r_4$	moles-(precursors as C)·hour ⁻¹
4	$r_{acetyl-CoA} = 0 = \frac{2}{3} r_2 - (1 + \delta_X + \delta_N) r_3 - r_5 - \frac{50}{51} r_9$	moles-(acetyl-CoA as C)·hour ⁻¹
5	$r_{G3P} = 0 = r_1 - r_2 - r_7$	moles-(G3P as C)·hour ⁻¹
6	$r_{XCPO} = r_4$	moles-(X _{CPO} as C)·hour ⁻¹
7	$r_{PG} = r_7$	moles-(PG as C)·hour ⁻¹
8	$r_{TAG} = r_9$	moles-(TAG as C)·hour ⁻¹
9	$r_{O2} = r_1 - \frac{1}{2} r_6$	moles-(O ₂)·hour ⁻¹
10	$r_{CO2} = -r_1 + \frac{1}{3} r_2 + (\delta_X + \delta_N) r_3 + r_5 - \frac{1}{51} r_9$	moles-(CO ₂)·hour ⁻¹
11 ^b	$4 r_1 + 4 \left(-\frac{1}{2} r_6 \right) = \frac{290}{51} r_{TAG} + 4 r_{PG} + 5.8 r_{XCPO}$	-

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^b Degree of reduction balance based on Roels^[5], assuming a TAG elemental composition of C₅₁H₉₈O₆.

Table S4. Linear equation solutions for nutrient-available and nutrient-deplete metabolisms.

Description [Units]	Nutrient-Available Metabolism	Nutrient-Deplete Metabolism
Specific Rate of Photosynthesis [moles-(CO ₂ fixed to G3P)·mole-(X _{CPO} as C) ⁻¹ ·hour ⁻¹]	$q_{\text{PHOT}}^{\text{NR}} = \frac{\mu^{\text{NR}}}{Y_{\text{XCPO}}^{\text{NR}}} + \frac{q_{\text{CH}}^{\text{NR}}}{Y_{\text{CH}}^{\text{NR}}} + \frac{q_{\text{LI}}^{\text{NR}}}{Y_{\text{LI}}^{\text{NR}}} + \frac{m_{\text{ATP}}^{\text{NR}}}{Y_{\text{ATP}}^{\text{NR}}}$	$q_{\text{PHOT}}^{\text{ND}} = \frac{\mu^{\text{ND}}}{Y_{\text{XCPO}}^{\text{ND}}} + \frac{q_{\text{CH}}^{\text{ND}}}{Y_{\text{CH}}^{\text{ND}}} + \frac{q_{\text{LI}}^{\text{ND}}}{Y_{\text{LI}}^{\text{ND}}} + \frac{m_{\text{ATP}}^{\text{ND}}}{Y_{\text{ATP}}^{\text{ND}}}$
Specific Rate of CO ₂ Production [moles-(CO ₂)·mole-(X _{CPO} as C) ⁻¹ ·hour ⁻¹]	$q_{\text{CO}_2}^{\text{NR}} = -\mu^{\text{NR}} - q_{\text{CH}}^{\text{NR}} - q_{\text{LI}}^{\text{NR}}$	$q_{\text{CO}_2}^{\text{ND}} = -\mu^{\text{ND}} - q_{\text{CH}}^{\text{ND}} - q_{\text{LI}}^{\text{ND}}$
Specific Rate of O ₂ Production [moles-(O ₂)·mole-(X _{CPO} as C) ⁻¹ ·hour ⁻¹]	$q_{\text{O}_2}^{\text{NR}} = \frac{1479}{1020} \mu^{\text{NR}} + q_{\text{CH}}^{\text{NR}} + \frac{145}{102} q_{\text{LI}}^{\text{NR}}$	$q_{\text{O}_2}^{\text{ND}} = \frac{1479}{1020} \mu^{\text{ND}} + q_{\text{CH}}^{\text{ND}} + \frac{145}{102} q_{\text{LI}}^{\text{ND}}$

Note: The coefficient in front of the μ in the O₂ production calculations would be 1071/1020 rather than 1479/1020 if ammonia were the nitrogen source.

q_{CO_2} ; specific rate of net CO₂ production, moles-(CO₂ as C)·mole-(X_{CPO} as C)⁻¹·hr⁻¹

q_{O_2} ; specific rate of net O₂ production, moles-(O₂)·mole-(X_{CPO} as C)⁻¹·hr⁻¹

q_{phot} ; specific rate of CO₂ fixation to G3P, moles-(G3P as C)·mole-(X_{CPO} as C)⁻¹·hr⁻¹

Table S5. Stoichiometric yields derived from linear equation solutions.

Description [Units]	Nutrient-Available Metabolism	Nutrient-Deplete Metabolism
yield of PG on CO ₂ fixed to G3P [(C-moles PG)·(C-mole CO ₂ fixed to G3P) ⁻¹]	$Y_{\text{CH}}^{\text{NR}} = \frac{18 + 34 \delta_{\text{PO}}}{15 + 34 \delta_{\text{PO}}}$	$Y_{\text{CH}}^{\text{ND}} = \frac{18 + 34 \delta_{\text{PO}}}{21 + 34 \delta_{\text{PO}}}$
yield of TAG on CO ₂ fixed to G3P [(C-moles TAG)·(C- mole CO ₂ fixed to G3P) ⁻¹]	$Y_{\text{LI}}^{\text{NR}} = \frac{153 + 289 \delta_{\text{PO}}}{69 + 389 \delta_{\text{PO}}}$	$Y_{\text{LI}}^{\text{ND}} = \frac{153 + 289 \delta_{\text{PO}}}{144 + 410 \delta_{\text{PO}}}$
yield of biomass on CO ₂ fixed to G3P [(C-moles biomass)·(C-mole CO ₂ fixed to G3P) ⁻¹]	$Y_{\text{XCPO}}^{\text{NR}} = Y_{\text{XCPO}}^{\text{ND}} = \frac{90 + 170 \delta_{\text{PO}}}{45 + 90 \alpha_{\text{m}} + 90 \alpha_{\text{x}} + 174 \delta_{\text{PO}} + 165 \delta_{\text{PO}} \delta_{\text{N}} + 45 \delta_{\text{x}} - 15 \delta_{\text{PO}} \delta_{\text{x}}}$	
yield of ATP on CO ₂ fixed to G3P [(moles of ATP)·(C- mole CO ₂ fixed to G3P) ⁻¹]	$Y_{\text{ATP}}^{\text{NR}} = Y_{\text{ATP}}^{\text{ND}} = \frac{9 + 17 \delta_{\text{PO}}}{9}$	

Note: The coefficient in front of the μ in the O₂ production calculations would be 1071/1020 rather than 1479/1020 if ammonia were the nitrogen source.

Table S6. Stoichiometric matrix linking transformation processes (rows) to state variables (columns).

Process	State Variable									
	R g-(Chl)·g- (C) ⁻¹	X _{CPO} moles- (C)·L ⁻¹	X _{CH} moles- (C)·L ⁻¹	X _{LI} moles- (C)·L ⁻¹	S _{CO2} moles-(C)·L ⁻¹	S _{O2} moles-(O ₂)·L ⁻¹	S _{NO} [*] moles- (N)·L ⁻¹	S _P [*] moles- (P)·L ⁻¹	X _N moles- (N)·L ⁻¹	X _P moles- (P)·L ⁻¹
Photoadaptation (P ₁)	1									
Nitrate Uptake (P ₂)							-1		1	
Phosphorus Uptake (P ₃)								-1		1
Photoautotrophic Growth (P ₄)		1			-1	$\frac{1479}{1020}$			-Q _{N,min}	-Q _{P,min}
Growth on Stored Carbohydrates (P ₅)		1	$-\frac{Y_{CH}^{NR}}{Y_{XCPO}}$		$\frac{Y_{CH}^{NR}}{Y_{XCPO}} - 1$	$-\frac{Y_{CH}^{NR}}{Y_{XCPO}} + \frac{1479}{1020}$			-Q _{N,min}	-Q _{P,min}
Growth on Stored Lipids (P ₆)		1		$-\frac{Y_{LI}^{NR}}{Y_{XCPO}}$	$\frac{Y_{LI}^{NR}}{Y_{XCPO}} - 1$	$-\frac{Y_{LI}^{NR}}{Y_{XCPO}} \frac{145}{102} + \frac{1479}{1020}$			-Q _{N,min}	-Q _{P,min}
Stored Carbohydrate Degradation for Maintenance (P ₇)			-1		1	-1				
Stored Lipid Degradation for Maintenance (P ₈)				-1	1	$-\frac{145}{102}$				
Endogenous Respiration (P ₉)		-1			1	$-\frac{1479}{1020}$			**	**
Carbohydrate Storage (P ₁₀)			1		-1	1				
Lipid Storage (P ₁₁)				1	-1	$\frac{145}{102}$				

* S_{NO} and S_P are presented in this table on a molar basis for clarity. The model is executed using molar values, but parameters are converted to mass units in the text to be consistent with medium preparation procedures and other published models.

** It was assumed X_{CPO}-associated nitrogen and phosphorus were bioavailable after endogenous respiration. Inert material (including inert N and P) was not included in this model formulation.

Table S7. Fixed stoichiometric and kinetic parameters used in PPM calibration.

Parameter	Description	Value	Units
Stoichiometric Parameters			
δ_x	CO ₂ production from the synthesis of 1 C-mole of biomass precursors from acetyl-CoA	0.266 ^a	C-moles of CO ₂ produced per C-mole of X _{CPO}
δ_N	CO ₂ production from the catabolism of acetyl-CoA to generate reducing power for NO ₃ ⁻ reduction for assimilation	0.436 ^b	C-moles of CO ₂ produced per C-mole of X _{CPO}
α_M	ATP requirement for synthesis of biomass precursors from acetyl-CoA	0.66 ^c	moles ATP per C-mole of X _{CPO}
α_X	ATP required for polymerization of biomass precursors (monomers) to functional biomass	1.5 ^d	moles of ATP per C-mole of X _{CPO}
δ_{PO}	efficiency of oxidative phosphorylation (P/O ratio) in mitochondria	2.0 ^e	moles of ATP produced per mole of NADH ₂ oxidized
Kinetic Parameters			
I _{OPT}	optimal irradiance	300	μE·m ⁻² ·s ⁻¹
K _γ	photoadaptation coefficient	10 ⁻⁵	(unitless)
K _{NO}	half-saturation coefficient for nitrogen	0.1	mg-(N)·L ⁻¹
K _P	half-saturation coefficient for phosphorus	1	mg-(P)·L ⁻¹
K _{STO}	half-saturation coefficient for stored organic carbon	1.6	moles-(X _{CH} as C)·mole-(X _{CPO} as C) ⁻¹

^a Acetate via the glyoxylate cycle and isocitrate-lyase.^[12]

^b Calculated based on the molar ratio of 0.2 moles of N required per C-mole of biomass formed and the requirement of 8 electrons per mole of N reduced from NO₃⁻ to NH₃. Reducing power was assumed to be generated via acetyl-CoA catabolism (R₅). The value for δ_N assumes the reducing power was generated via catabolism, R₅, and ATP generated during catabolism offsets ATP needs during polymerization of functional biomass, R₃.

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^e [13].

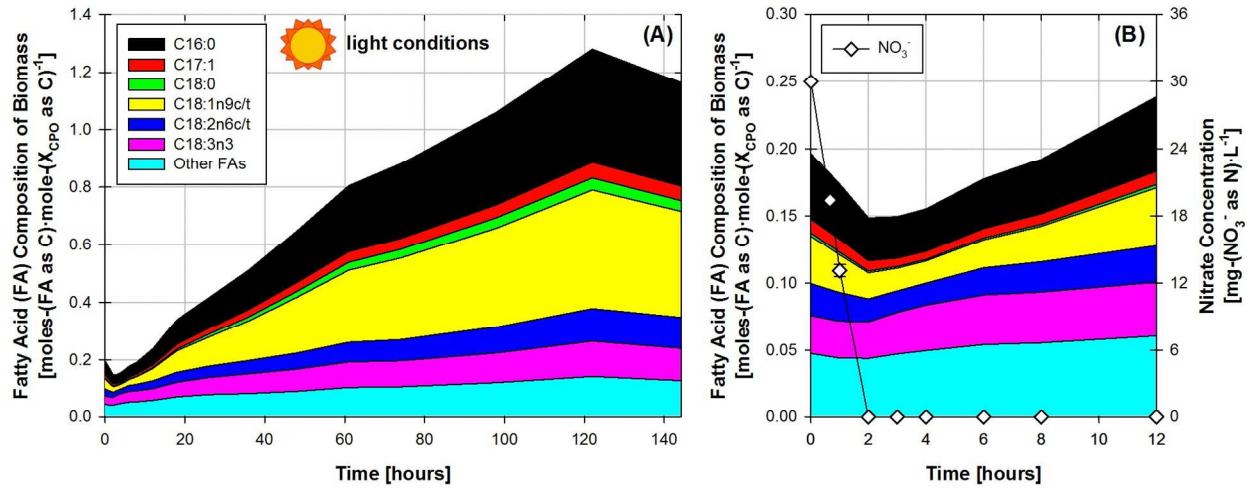


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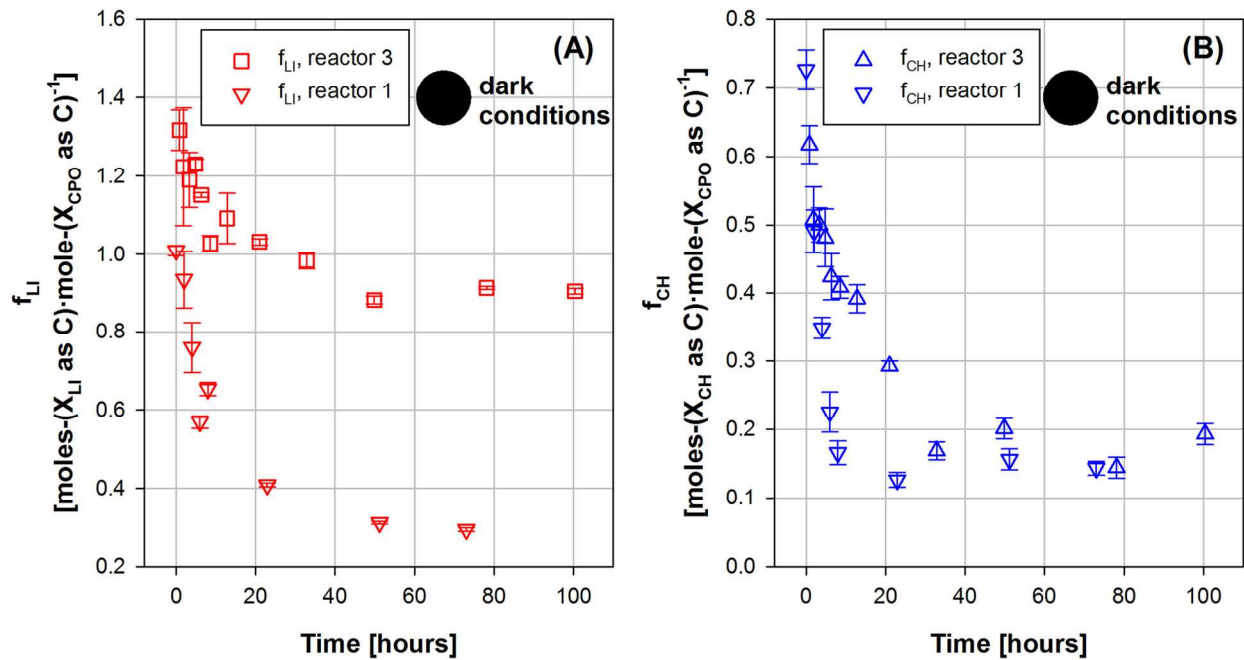


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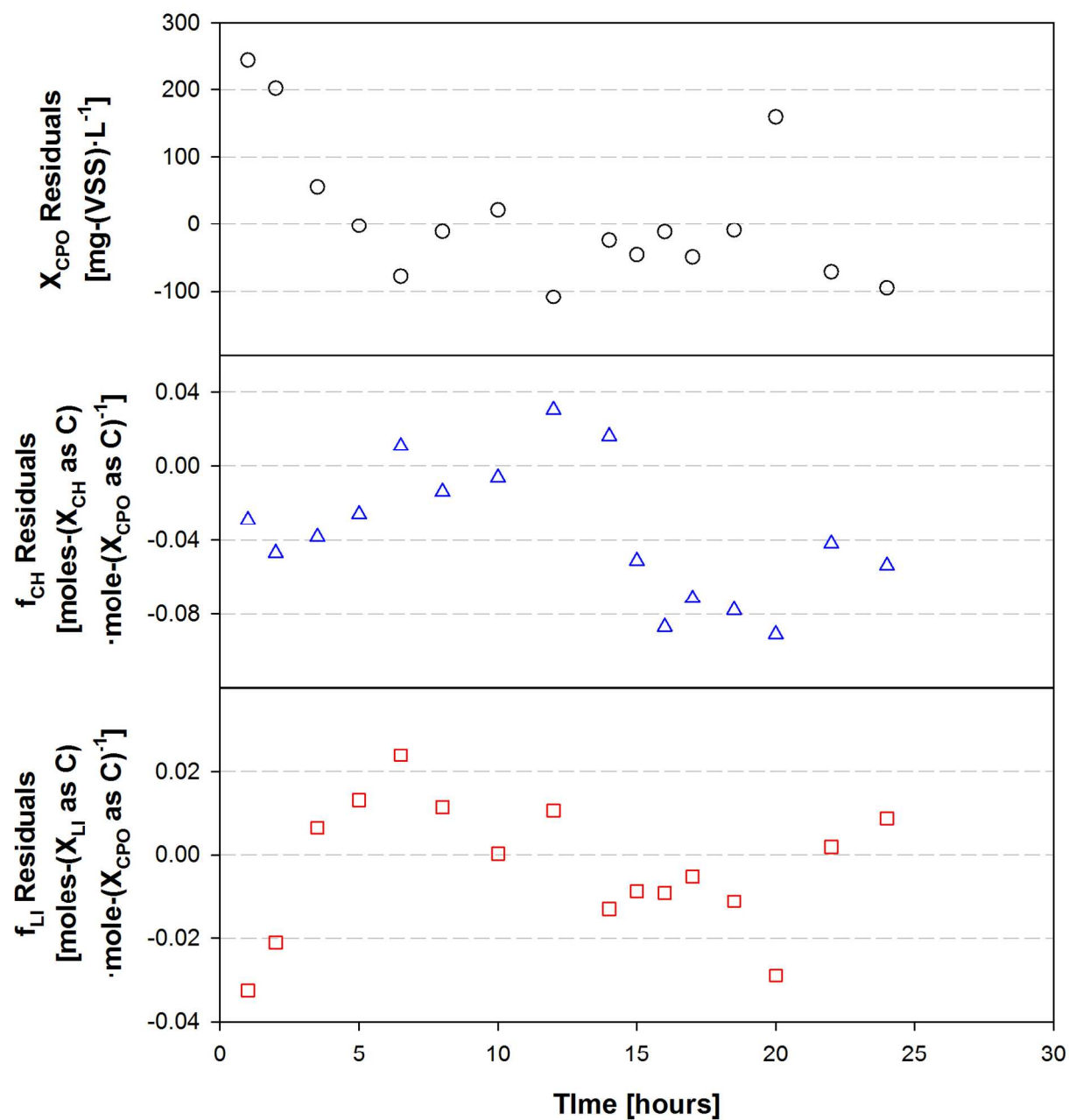


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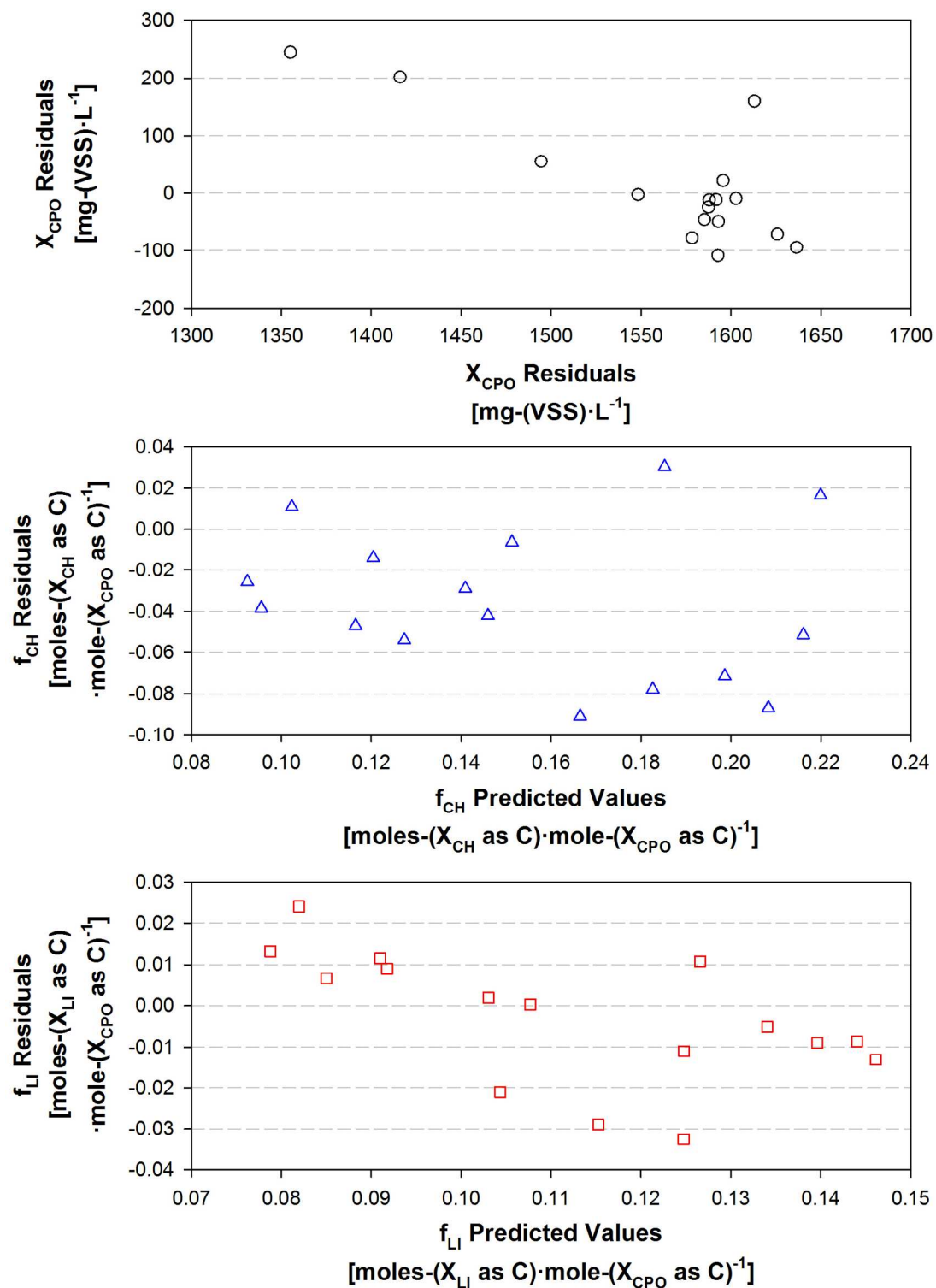


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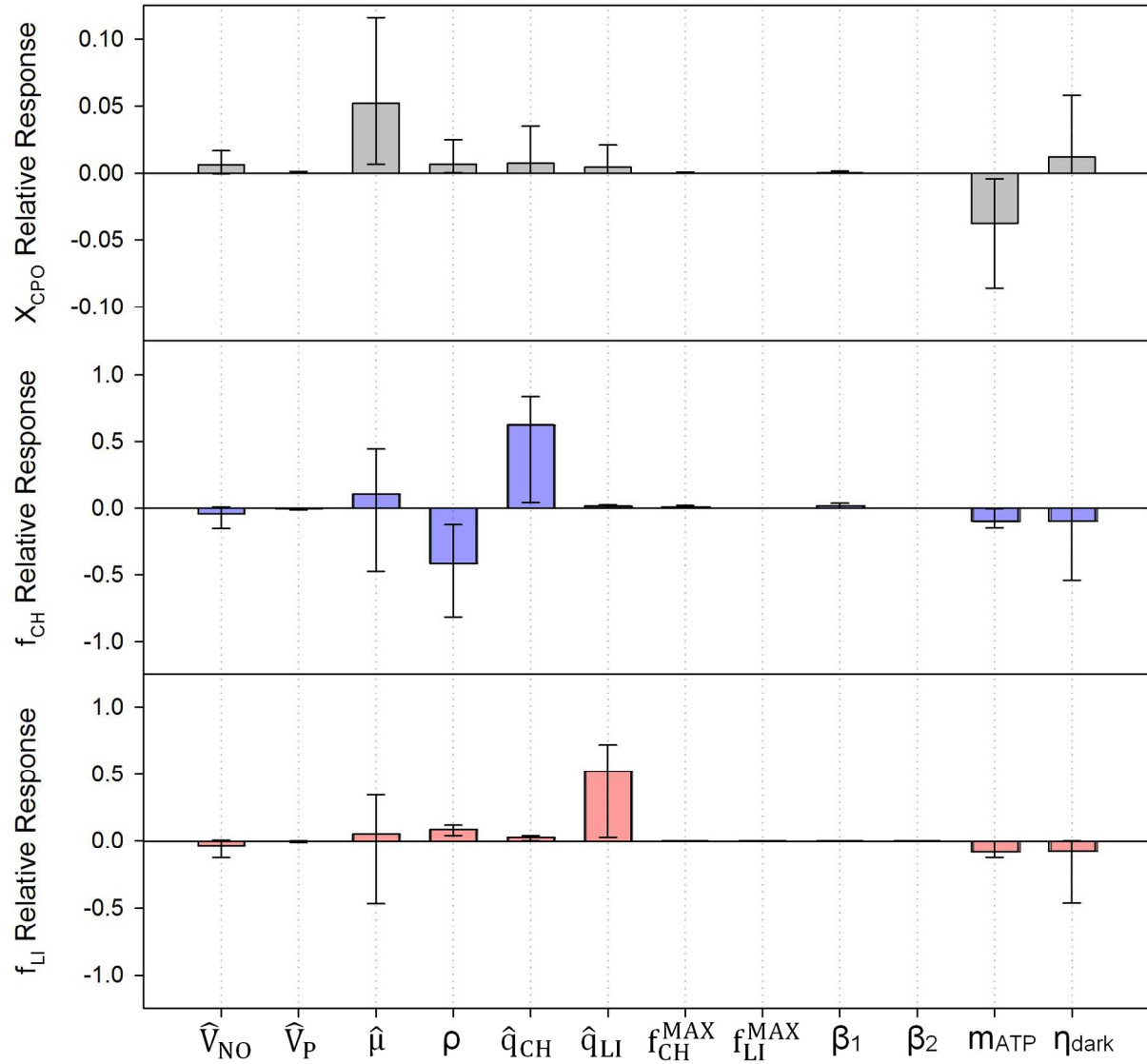


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