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1 Notes

Terminology to standardize:

- the native light habitat or environment: the SPLASH paper refers to what they calculated as ‘habitat’ PPFD, so I am going to use that terminology
- growth condition versus measurement conditions
- ?

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I am using this approach to drafting the paper:

<https://blogs.nature.com/nyc/2011/08/10/how-to-write-a-paper-one-possible-answer>

3 Punchline

Plastic changes in the structure of sun leaves can increase the intercellular CO_2 diffusion path length. Gas exchange through stomata on both upper and lower leaf surfaces, amphistomy, may be a compensatory mechanism to reduce the impact of increased diffusion path length on photosynthesis without increasing water loss. We demonstrate for the first time that sun leaves benefit most from amphistomy because it compensates for plastic structural changes in leaf anatomy.

4 Figures

1. competing hypotheses and predictions (or predictions after methods?) for the benefit of amphistomy
2. design of experiment to test competing hypotheses (with actual #'s of replicate, curves, etc.)
3. Results on acclimatory, plastic, constitutive hypotheses
4. Additional supporting figure on change in LMA, reduction of Amass, and relationship between LMA and AA? Modeling?

5 Abstract

(use for GRC)

Developmental plasticity to light intensity modulates amphistomy advantage

The presence of stomata on both leaf surfaces (amphistomy) can increase photosynthesis in C_3 plants by reducing the path length for CO_2 diffusion between substomatal cavities and chloroplasts. Amphistomatous leaves are most common among herbaceous plants growing in sunny habitats, including many crop species. The distribution of amphistomatous leaves in nature may result from an increased photosynthetic benefit of amphistomy under high light intensity, either because of acclimatory, plastic, or constitutive variation in CO_2 supply or demand. We used a recently developed method to quantify amphistomy advantage, the photosynthetic rate of an amphistomatous leaf relative to an otherwise identical hypostomatous leaf, in 29 diverse populations representing 15 species of wild tomatoes (*Solanum* sect. *Lycopersicon* and sect. *Lycopersicoides*). Plant grown under high light intensity benefit more from amphistomy than those grown under low light, regardless of acclimation or native light intensity. Curvature of light response curves indicates that high-light leaves benefit more from amphistomy because of greater resistance to CO_2 diffusion within the mesophyll. Developmental plasticity in leaf thickness and/or cell arrangement to optimize light interception likely increases under varying light intensity modulates CO_2 diffusion within the leaf and, hence, amphistomy advantage as a byproduct. Developmental plasticity may therefore play an important and previously unnoticed role in explaining the adaptive significance of amphistomy and the distribution of amphistomatous leaves in nature.

What's surprising: role of developmental plasticity in explaining comparative results; diffusional limitations through palisade mesophyll is strong and needs to be considered with light gradients in understanding leaf structure-function

6 Intro

Stomata are microscopic pores on the surfaces of leaves and other photosynthetic organs formed by a pair of guard cells. They are essential for balancing carbon gained per unit water lost and permitted vascular plants to grow tall on land by enabling access to CO_2 for photosynthetic carbon assimilation

while preventing hydraulic failure in variable environments (1–3). Optimal stomatal function depends on both dynamic changes in aperture on the scale of minutes to hours, as well as static anatomy determined by developmental plasticity and constitutive genetic differences (4–6). Understanding how stomata respond to environmental change over daily, developmental, and evolutionary time is important for understanding adaptation (1, 7–12), predicting paleoclimate from fossil cuticles (13–15), and improving crops (16). Stomatal function contributes to global carbon and water cycles (17) and therefore predicting future climate (18).

Despite extensive theoretical and empirical progress understanding stomata function and anatomy from molecular to ecosystem levels, the adaptive significance of amphistomatous leaves remains an important unsolved problem in leaf structure-function relationships (19–26). Amphistomatous leaves develop abaxial and adaxial stomata whose aperture can be independently regulated (27–31) to control gas exchange through each surface. All else being equal, gas exchange through stomata on both surfaces increases CO₂ supply to chloroplasts by providing a second parallel pathway through leaf intercellular airspaces, enhancing photosynthesis (20, 32). The extent to which amphistomy increases CO₂ supply depends on resistance to diffusion in intercellular airspaces. This resistance can be low in thin, porous, amphistomatous leaves (28, 33), but may be more substantial in thick, dense, hypostomatous leaves (34). Amphistomatous leaves also lose more water through evaporation because of a second boundary layer conductance (35), but the additional carbon gain should be enough to offset this cost in most realistic scenarios (36).

The paradoxical fact is that, despite the photosynthetic benefit, most leaves are not amphistomatous. Many vertically oriented and/or isobilateral leaves are amphistomatous (25). But among dorsiventral leaves, herbaceous plants in open, high light habitats tend to have amphistomatous leaves (22, 39–44). Most other leaves, except those from aquatic habitats, are hypostomatous, producing stomata only on the lower, abaxial surface. Even resupinate leaves develop stomata on the lower, albeit adaxial surface (45), suggesting that leaf orientation (lower vs. upper) rather than leaf polarity (abaxial vs. adaxial) is causal. The covariation between stomatal density ratio and light habitat is both qualitative and quantitative. A higher proportion of sun leaves are amphistomatous (**salisbury_causes_1928?**) and the proportion of stomata on the upper, adaxial surface increases with light (42, 43). Resolving why high light intensity favors amphistomatous dorsiventral leaves is an important first step toward understanding variation in stomatal density ratio and leaf structure-function relationships more generally.

The overarching hypothesis is that leaves with greater stomatal density ratio are more common in open, sunny habitats because they increase photosynthesis most in those circumstances. An amphistomatous leaf increases photosynthetic carbon gain compared to an otherwise identical hypostomatous leaf by increasing conductance through the leaf intercellular airspaces and boundary layers; the additional water loss through a second boundary layer is typically small (35). We quantify this benefit as the amphistomy advantage ($AA = \log(A_{\text{amphi}}/A_{\text{hypo}})$) (20, 46). Why would AA be greater in sun than shade? We consider three nonmutually exclusive hypotheses that we classify as ‘acclimatory’, ‘plastic’, and ‘constitutive’.

Acclimatory hypothesis: Photosynthetic induction to high light intensity typically involves increases in total leaf stomatal conductance (increased CO₂ supply), the concentration of active Rubisco, and electron transport capacity (increased CO₂ demand). A one-dimensional circuit model using the Farquhar-

von Caemmerer-Berry biochemical model of C_3 photosynthesis (47) shows that both increased stomatal conductance and Rubisco activity should increase AA, all else being equal (Supporting Information). If the acclimatory hypothesis is correct, we predict that $AA_{high} > AA_{low}$ for all species regardless of native habitat or growth environment. Plants adapted to sunny, open habitats will evolve greater stomatal density ratio to take advantage of regular exposure to high light intensity.

Plastic hypothesis: Individuals of the same genotype often develop dramatically different leaves in sun and shade conditions (48). Plastic responses are likely adaptations to optimize photosynthesis at different light intensities in variable environments (49). Plastic changes in leaf anatomy and biochemistry could modulate AA as a byproduct. Thicker or less porous leaves, both of which are associated with high leaf mass per area (LMA), will have lower g_{ias} ; leaves with increased total stomatal density and photosynthetic capacity have greater potential CO_2 supply and demand. Under the plastic hypothesis, we predict that $AA_{sun} > AA_{shade}$ for all species and light intensities. Secondly, AA_{sun} and $g_{max,sun}$ should also be positively associated with native light habitat if genotypes adapted to sunny, open habitats if they can express a phenotype best adapted to that environment when leaves develop under high light intensity. Genotypes adapted to shaded, closed habitats may be plastic, but limits on the width of their reaction norms prevent them from developing traits optimal for conditions they do not regularly experience in nature.

Constitutive hypothesis: In environments that are relatively constant or where environmental change cannot be anticipated by a reliable cue, natural selection will favor constitutive expression of optimal phenotypes. We therefore predict genotypes from more sunny, open habitats will have consistently greater AA under also measurement and growth light intensities. For herbaceous plants, light intensity is largely a function of the tree canopy (50). Herbs growing in the open will regularly experience high light intensity; herbs growing under a forest canopy will often experience low light intensity.

The primary directional predictions for each hypothesis are summarized in Table X; detailed predictions for results that would indicate support for multiple hypotheses are in Table SX.

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caption: Directional predictions associated with each hypothesis explaining why amphistomy advantage (AA) might be greater for leaves in sunny, open habitats. For each hypothesis, we make predictions for how native plant area index (PAI), growth light treatment, and measurement light intensity would affect AA.

hypothesis	measurement light intensity	growth light intensity	native PAI
acclimatory	$AA_{2000} > AA_{150}$	$AA_{sun} = AA_{shade}$	$\text{cor}(\text{PAI}, AA) = 0$
plastic	$AA_{2000} = AA_{150}$	$AA_{sun} > AA_{shade}$	$\text{cor}(\text{PAI}, AA) = 0$
constitutive	$AA_{2000} = AA_{150}$	$AA_{sun} = AA_{shade}$	$\text{cor}(\text{PAI}, AA) > 0$

We tested these hypotheses by comparing AA among amphistomatous wild tomato species (51) from different native light habitats, grown under simulated sun and shade light treatments, and measured under contrasting light intensity (Figure of hypotheses and predictions). We measured AA on 572 individual plants from 29 accessions (average of 9.86 replicates per light treatment) using a recently developed method (46). With this method, we directly compare the photosynthetic rate of an untreated amphistomatous leaf to that of the same leaf with gas exchange blocked through the adaxial (upper) surface by transparent plastic, which we refer to as ‘pseudohypostomy’. To compare amphi- and pseudohypostomatous leaves at identical whole-leaf g_{sc} , we measure A over a range of g_{sc} , inducing stomatal opening and closure by modulating humidity (see Materials and Methods for further details). We estimated ‘amphistomy advantage’ (AA) *sensu* (20), but with modifications previously described in (46) and here (Materials and Methods). The native light intensity was represented by plant area index (PAI $\text{m}^2 \text{m}^{-2}$), estimated using a global gridded X-m2 resolution data set derived from the Global Ecosystem Dynamics Investigation [GEDI; (52)] and georeferenced accession collection information from the Tomato Genetics Resource Center. The growth light intensities were 761 (sun treatment) and 115 (shade treatment) while all other environment conditions were nearly identical (see **?@sec-methods** for supporting detail). The high and low measurements intensities were PPFD = $2000 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ (97.8:2.24 red:blue) and PPFD = $150 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ (87.0:13.0 red:blue), respectively.

6.0.1 MARKER

Consistent with biophysical theory of CO_2 diffusion within leaves, $AA > 0$ for all accessions (Figure X). AA varied substantially between measurement light intensities, growth light intensities, and among accessions (point to model comparison evidence). Measured under high light intensity, AA was consistently greater for sun plants. The average AA among accessions in the shade treatment was 0.039 (range: 0.012–0.109; 21 of 29 accessions significant); however, the same accessions grown at high light intensity showed a mean AA of 0.050 (range: 0.024–0.120; 25 of 29 accessions significant). Contrary to the predictions of the assimilatory hypothesis, AA was greater in all accessions under low measurement light intensity for both sun and shade grown plants. The effect of low light on AA was more pronounced in the sun-grown plants, where AA was significantly greater under low measurement light intensity in 28 of 29 accessions compared to 11 accessions for shade-grown plants. The overall average AA of shade and sun grown plants measured under low light intensity was 0.066 (range: 0.019–0.143; 27 of 29 accessions significant) and 0.098 (range: 0.051–0.175; 29 of 29 accessions significant), respectively. There was a slight tendency for accessions from more closed habitats (greater PAI), but AA varied widely among accessions from open habitats (low PAI) regardless of growth and measurement light intensities (Figure X). The pattern of AA across wild tomatoes strongly supports the plasticity hypothesis, argues against the acclimatory hypothesis, and provides only weak support for the constitutive hypothesis.

Not sure where this goes: We infer this from the fact that blocking gas exchange in pseudohypostomatous leaves reduced A by X-X% depending on the accession, light treatment, and light intensity (Table/figure). The AA is equivalent to an X-X% change in total g_{sc} (see SI section g_s equivalency). But

whereas increasing g_{sc} would increase water loss as a necessary by-product, amphistomy can increase A without any appreciable affect on transpiration.

These results suggest that developmental plasticity, as opposed to acclimation or adaptation to open habitats, may explain the long-standing observation that amphistomatous leaves are more common in sunny habitats. Our results add to existing explanations by showing high light intensity *per se* does not increase the benefit of amphistomy, but rather than anatomical and biochemical change associated with higher light intensity modulate AA. We cannot yet attribute specific changes wrought by plasticity, but correlational evidence suggests that changes in leaf anatomy may be important. Species responded consistently by increasing stomatal density, especially on the adaxial surface, increasing stomatal density ratio. Sun leaves also had greater g_s , A_{max} . However, these traits were not associated with change in AA (table/figures).

from Mott and Oleary: “However, Jones and Slatyer (5) reported a higher mesophyll resistance for CO_2 , entering through the upper stomata than for the lower, and the data of Vaclavik (12) appear to support this conclusion”

7 Outro - I think this goes at the end??

It is commonly assumed in comparative studies that most trait variation between species is constitutive and genetically determined, but our results suggest that plastic responses to light are necessary to explain why $g_{max, ratio}$ increases with light habitat. Reaction norms to light intensity among wild tomatoes indicate that accessions from low light habitats express low $g_{max, ratio}$ when grown in shade, whereas accessions from high light habitats have constitutively higher $g_{max, ratio}$ (Fig. rxn-norm). The larger response to light intensity is driven by greater plasticity in leaf structure in accessions from low-light habitats (Fig/table - I haven't tested this yet, so this is a placeholder.) We infer that these structural changes in sun leaves are costly because they increase the diffusion path length for CO_2 and reduce photosynthesis. As a consequence, sun leaves benefit more from amphistomy. This is the first demonstration that sun leaves benefit more from amphistomy because it compensates for developmental plasticity in leaf structure.

Two outstanding areas for further research are 1) the specific anatomical changes, such as leaf thickness or mesophyll porosity, that increase the diffusion path length for CO_2 in sun leaves, and 2) the costs of amphistomy that could explain plasticity in $g_{max, ratio}$ in accessions from low-light habitats. Resolving the first question will require detailed anatomical measurements on a large number of shade and sun leaves with concomitant estimates of AA. The fact that accessions from low-light habitats are more plastic suggests that costs of amphistomy are greatest in these environments. (not finished yet)

Problems to bring up in discussion: - all our species were amphi, so they may all live in PAI below threshold to favor amphi - other microclimate diffs not considered - don't know specific anatomical change

8. What it all means

- Our study reveals an important role for plasticity in explaining why amphi leaves are more common in sunny habitats
- Confirms that leaf structure of sun leaves incurs costs that amphistomy can mitigate
- It will be useful to consider coordination between leaf anatomy, stomatal density, and ratio in future studies of leaf structure-function and in crops (or something)

8 Materials and Methods [#sec-methods]

[this will be moved to SI eventually. note that much of it also the same in solanum-aq project, so might change to cite that paper?]

(not sure where this goes) * We acclimated the focal leaf to high light ($\text{PPFD} = 2000 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$) and high relative humidity ($\text{RH} = 70\%$) until A and g_{sw} reach their maximum. After that, we decreased RH to $\approx 10\%$ to induce rapid stomatal closure without biochemical down

8.1 Accessions

We compared AA among 29 ecologically diverse accessions of wild tomato, including representatives of all described species of *Solanum* sect. *Lycopersicon* and sect. *Lycopersicoides* (51) and the cultivated tomato *S. lycopersicum* var. *lycopersicum* ???. Due to constraints on growth space and time, we spread out measurements over 61.1 weeks from August 29, 2022 to October 31, 2023. Replicates within accession were evenly spread out over this period to prevent confounding of temporal variation in growth conditions with accession. [anything else to say here? maybe explain accession selection and phylogeny?]

Table 2: Accessions of *Solanum* used in this study. The species name, accession number, collection latitude, longitude, elevation, and daily solar radiation estimated using the SPLASH algorithm (see ‘Climate data’). TGRC: Tomato Genetics Resource Center; PPFD: Photosynthetic Photon Flux Density.

Species	TGRC accession	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation (mas)	PAI ($\text{m}^2 \text{m}^{-2}$)
<i>S. arcanum</i>	LA2172	-6.008	-78.858	662	0.7
<i>S. cheesmaniae</i>	LA0429	-0.644	-90.329	800	0.6
<i>S. cheesmaniae</i>	LA3124	-0.804	-90.042	1	0.4
<i>S. chilense</i>	LA1782	-15.267	-74.633	1000	0.3
<i>S. chilense</i>	LA4117A	-22.907	-67.941	3540	0.2
<i>S. chmielewskii</i>	LA1028	-13.883	-73.017	3000	0.4
<i>S. chmielewskii</i>	LA1316	-13.400	-73.906	2920	1.1
<i>S. corneliomulleri</i>	LA0107	-13.117	-76.383	60	0.0
<i>S. corneliomulleri</i>	LA0444	-13.433	-76.133	100	0.5

<i>S. galapagense</i>	LA0436	-0.953	-90.978	40	0.2
<i>S. galapagense</i>	LA1044	-0.284	-90.548	0	0.2
<i>S. habrochaites</i>	LA0407	-2.181	-79.884	70	0.5
<i>S. habrochaites</i>	LA1777	-9.550	-77.700	3216	0.4
<i>S. huaylasense</i>	LA1358	-9.533	-77.967	750	0.6
<i>S. huaylasense</i>	LA1360	-9.546	-77.929	1490	0.5
<i>S. huaylasense</i>	LA1364	-10.133	-77.383	2920	0.9
<i>S. lycopersicoides</i>	LA2951	-19.317	-69.450	2200	0.5
<i>S. lycopersicoides</i>	LA4126	-19.287	-69.396	3120	0.4
<i>S. neorickii</i>	LA1322	-13.483	-72.442	2380	0.7
<i>S. neorickii</i>	LA2133	-3.400	-79.183	1980	1.1
<i>S. pennellii</i>	LA0716	-16.225	-73.617	50	0.2
<i>S. pennellii</i>	LA0750	-14.775	-75.034	550	0.1
<i>S. pennellii</i>	LA3778	-14.775	-75.034	616	0.1
<i>S. peruvianum</i>	LA2744	-18.550	-70.150	400	0.2
<i>S. peruvianum</i>	LA2964	-18.028	-70.835	75	1.2
<i>S. pimpinellifolium</i>	LA1269	-11.483	-77.075	400	0.5
<i>S. pimpinellifolium</i>	LA1589	-8.433	-78.817	30	0.1
<i>S. pimpinellifolium</i>	LA2933	-1.442	-80.562	375	1.6
<i>S. sitiens</i>	LA4116	-22.159	-68.782	2960	0.1

8.2 Plant growth conditions

In all growth spaces, we recorded PPFD using full spectrum quantum sensors (SQ-500-SS, Apogee Instruments, Logan, Utah, USA); we recorded temperature, RH, and [CO₂] using an EE894 sensor (E+E Elektronik, Engerwitzdorf, Austria) protected by a radiation shield. All environmental measurements were taken every 10 minutes from the middle of plants racks at approximately the same height as the leaves we measured. We measured leaf temperature of focal leaves prior to measurement using an infrared radiometer (SI-111-SS, Apogee Instruments, Logan, Utah, USA).

8.2.1 Germination and seedling stage

Seeds provided by the Tomato Genetics Resource Center germinated on moist paper in plastic boxes after soaking for 30-60 minutes in a 50% (volume per volume) solution of household bleach and water, followed by a thorough rinse. We transferred seedlings to cell-pack flats containing Pro-Mix BX potting mix (Premier Tech, Rivière-du-Loup, Quebec, Canada) once cotyledons fully emerged, typically within 1-2 weeks of sowing. We grew seeds and seedlings for both sun and shade treatments under the same environmental conditions (12:12 h, 24.3:21.7 °C, 49.6:58.4 RH day:night cycle). LED light provided PPFD = 267 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ (Fluence RAZRx, Austin, Texas, USA).

8.2.2 Light treatments

Seedlings were randomly assigned in alternating order within accession to the sun or shade treatment during transplanting. After seedlings established in cell-pack flats for ≈ 2 weeks, we transplanted them to 3.78 L plastic pots containing 60% Pro-Mix BX potting mix, 20% coral sand (Pro-Pak, Honolulu, Hawai‘i, USA), and 20% cinders (Niu Nursery, Honolulu, Hawai‘i, USA). Percentage composition is on a volume basis. The soil mixture contained slow release NPK fertilizer following manufacturer instructions (Osmocote Smart-Release Plant Food Flower & Vegetable, The Scotts Company, Marysville, Ohio, USA). We determined pot field capacity one week after transplanting using a scale (Ohaus V12P15 Valor 1000, Parsippany, New Jersey, USA) and watered to field capacity three times per week to prevent drought stress.

We assigned sun and shade treatment to lower and upper racks of a $1.22\text{ m} \times 2.44\text{ m}$ shelving unit in a climate-controlled growth room. We assigned the sun treatment to the lower rack to limit diffuse light from reaching the shade treatment. The average daytime PPFD was $761\text{ }\mu\text{mol m}^{-2}\text{ s}^{-1}$ and $115\text{ }\mu\text{mol m}^{-2}\text{ s}^{-1}$ for sun and shade treatments, respectively. To isolate the effect of light intensity from quality, we used the same LED model with the the same spectrum (Fluence SPYDR 2i, Austin, Texas, USAS), but dimmed the lights in the shade treatment. To maintain homogeneous environmental conditions other than light, we mixed air within the growth room using an air circulator (Vornado 693DC, Andover, Kansas, USA) and within racks using a miniature oscillating air circulator (Vornado Atom 1, Andover, Kansas, USA). Despite these efforts, the air in the sun treatment was on average $2.56\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ warmer and the average RH was consequently 5.75 lower. However, because of evaporative cooling, the leaves in the sun treatment were only $0.886\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ on average ($n = 699$ leaves).

8.3 Leaf trait measurements

We selected a fully expanded, unshaded leaf at least six leaves above the cotyledons during early vegetative growth. This typically meant that plants had grown in light treatments for ≈ 4 weeks, ensuring they had time to sense and respond developmentally to the light intensity of the treatment rather than the seedling conditions (53). Shade plants grew slower than sun plants, hence leaves at the same developmental stage were measured on chronologically older plants in the shade treatment. In some sun plants, we had to use leaves higher on the stem because short internodes made lower leaves inaccessible with the gas exchange equipment. We measured terminal leaflets in 82.6% of cases, but used the lateral leaflet closest to the terminal leaflet when it was damaged or difficult to clamp into the gas exchange chamber. When a leaflet was damaged during gas exchange measurements, we collected anatomical data from the nearest leaflet on the same leaf (1.58%). We measured chlorophyll concentration index (CCI) using a chlorophyll concentration meter (MC-100, Apogee Instruments, Logan, Utah, USA) on the lamina of focal leaflets before gas exchange measurements at the same time we measured leaf temperature.

8.3.1 Amphistomy advantage

We estimated ‘amphistomy advantage’ (AA) *sensu* (20), but with modifications previously described in (46). AA is calculated as the log-response ratio of A compared at the same total g_{sw} :

$$AA = \log(A_{\text{amphi}}/A_{\text{hypo}})$$

We measured the photosynthetic rate of an untreated amphistomatous leaf (A_{amphi}) over a range of g_{sw} values. We refer to this as an A - g_{sw} curve. We compared the A - g_{sw} curve of the untreated leaf to the photosynthetic rate of pseudohypostomatous leaf (A_{hypo}), which is the same leaf but with gas exchange through the upper surface blocked by a neutral density plastic (propafilm).

We measured A - g_{sw} curves using a portable infrared gas analyzer (LI-6800PF, LI-COR Biosciences, Lincoln, Nebraska, USA). Light-acclimated plants were placed under LEDs dimmed to match their light treatment during gas exchange measurements. We estimated the photosynthetic rate (A) and stomatal conductance to CO_2 (g_{sw}) at ambient CO_2 ($C_a = 415 \mu\text{mol mol}^{-1}$) and $T_{\text{leaf}} = 25.0^\circ\text{C}$. The irradiance of the light source in the pseudohypo leaf was higher because the propafilm reduces transmission. To compensate for reduced transmission, we increased incident PPFD for pseudohypo leaves by a factor $1/0.91$, the inverse of the measured transmissivity of the propafilm. We also set the stomatal conductance ratio, for purposes of calculating boundary layer conductance, to 0 for pseudohypo leaves following manufacturer directions.

We collected four A - g_{sw} curves per leaf, an amphi (untreated) curve and a pseudohypo (treated) curve at high light-intensity (PPFD = $2000 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$; 97.8:2.24 red:blue) and low light-intensity (PPFD = $150 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$; 87.0:13.0 red:blue). We always measured high light-intensity curves first because photosynthetic downregulation is faster than upregulation in these species. To control for order effects, we alternated between starting with amphi or pseudohypo leaf measurements. Unlike (46), preliminary experiments with *Solanum* indicated a strong order effect in that A declined in the second curve. Therefore, we made measurements over two days. On the first day, we measured high and low light-intensity curves for either amphi or pseudohypo leaves; on the second day, we measured high and low light-intensity curves on the other leaf type.

In all cases, we acclimated the focal leaf to high light (PPFD = $2000 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$) and high relative humidity (RH = 70%) until A and g_{sw} reach their maximum. After that, we decreased RH to $\approx 10\%$ to induce rapid stomatal closure without biochemical downregulation. Hence, A_{amphi} and A_{hypo} were both measured at low chamber humidity after the leaf had acclimated to high humidity. All other environmental conditions in the leaf chamber remained the same. We logged data until g_{sw} reached its nadir. We then acclimated the leaf to low light (PPFD = $150 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$) and RH = 70% before inducing stomatal closure with low RH and logging data as described above.

8.3.2 Light-response ($A-Q$) curves

In 91.3% of plants, we measured light-response ($A-Q$) curves on the same leaflets as $A-g_{sw}$ curves. However, when a leaflet was damaged during $A-g_{sw}$ curves, we used the next closest leaflet for $A-Q$ curves. Leaves acclimated to high light-intensity (PPFD = $2000 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$), ambient CO_2 ($C_a = 415 \mu\text{mol mol}^{-1}$), RH = 50%, and $T_{\text{leaf}} = 25^\circ\text{C}$. After A and g_{sw} stabilized, we measured A at 20 light-intensity levels between 0 and $2000 \mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ in descending order.

8.3.3 Stomatal anatomy

We estimated the stomatal density and size on ab- and adaxial leaf surfaces from all leaves, using guard cell length as a proxy for stomatal size since it is proportional to maximum conductance (54). We made surface impressions of leaf lamina from the same area used for gas exchange measurements using a silicone impression material (Zhermack elite HD+, light body, fast set, Rovigo, Italy). We applied clear nail polish to make positive replicas of the impression. After nail polish dried, we mounted replicas on a microscope slide using transparent tape (55). We digitized a portion of each leaf surface replica using a brightfield microscope (Leica DM2000, Wetzlar, Germany). We counted and measured guard cell length on all stomata using the FIJI implementation of ImageJ2 version 2.3.0 (56), then divided the count by the visible leaf area (0.890 mm^2) to estimate stomatal density.

8.3.4 Leaf mass per area

Leaf mass per area (LMA) is the dry mass divided by the leaflet area. We scanned fresh leaflets on a flat bed scanner (Epson V600, Los Alamitos, California, USA) and measured leaflet area from digital images using the FIJI implementation of ImageJ2 version 2.3.0 (56). We dried leaves for 72 hours at 74°C in a food dehydrator (Cosori CP267-FD, Vesync Co., Anaheim, California, USA) and weighed using a benchtop analytical balance (Ohaus PR64 Analytical Balance, Parsippany, New Jersey, USA). In 10.5% we measured LMA on the adjacent leaflet because the focal leaflet was damaged or wilted while making surface impressions and we could not reliably estimate area. LMA data are missing from 3.32% of individuals because the area or mass was not recorded at all or recorded incorrectly.

8.4 Cleaning $A-g_{sw}$ curves

The raw data set consisted of 2,370 $A-g_{sw}$ curves with an average of 63.2 points per curve. Manual curation of a data set this size in a principled, consistent manner is not feasible. Therefore, we automated data cleaning using custom *R* scripts. Cleaning is divided into six sequential steps (Table 3).

Table 3: Six sequential steps for cleaning A - g_{sw} curves. The rationale and procedure for each step are described in the text. The rightmost columns summarize the number of curves and mean number of points per curve remaining after each step. For reference, there are four possible A - g_{sw} curves per replicate: all combinations of leaf type (amphi or pseudohypo) and light intensity (high or low).

Step: description	Number of curves	Number of points per curve
1. remove unreliable and unusable data points	2,361	63.0
2. remove hysteretic portion of A - g_{sw} curves at low g_{sw}	2,360	59.2
3. remove outliers within each A - g_{sw} curve	2,360	58.7
4. remove replicates with no overlap between amphi and pseudohypo A - g_{sw} curves	2,268	58.5
5. thin redundant data points within each A - g_{sw} curve	2,268	28.1
6. trim extreme AA values	2,214	28.1

8.4.1 Remove unreliable and unusable data points

Rationale: Unreliable data points consisted of those where chamber $[CO_2]$ was unstable and therefore measurements are not biologically meaningful. Unusable data points were those where $A < 0$ because the logarithm of a negative number is undefined.

Procedure: We retained data points where $410 < C_a < 420 \mu\text{mol mol}^{-1}$ and $A > 0$.

8.4.2 Remove hysteretic portion of A - g_{sw} curves at low g_{sw}

Rationale: In most A - g_{sw} curves, we observed a hysteretic response at low g_{sw} . After g_{sw} and A declined simultaneously, A increased slightly as g_{sw} continued to decline or stabilize, indicating some leaf acclimation to low RH. We removed this portion of the curve to focus curve-fitting on the primary domain where A increases monotonically with g_{sw} .

Procedure: For each curve, we removed data points after g_{sw} had reached its minimum unless there were fewer than 10 data points remaining.

8.4.3 Remove outliers within each A - g_{sw} curve

Rationale: Individual outliers within A - g_{sw} curves, usually caused by transitory changes in chamber conditions, exert undue leverage on parameter estimates and cause bias and/or low precision in parameter estimates.

Procedure: We fit provisional quadratic regressions for each curve using ordinary least squares with the `lm()` function in *R*. We sequentially removed data points with an absolute external studentized residual > 3 until none remained.

8.4.4 Thin redundant data points within each A - g_{sw} curve

Rationale: Data points closely spaced along the A - g_{sw} curve provide redundant information and may be highly correlated (i.e. pseudoreplication). This occurred because data was logged at a constant temporal interval, but the rate at which g_{sw} declined was not constant. Thinning reduces parameter estimation bias toward densely sampled regions of the curve which may not be the most biologically informative.

Procedure: We retained the maxima and minima g_{sw} for each curve and thinned all but one point per thinning interval of $0.05 \log(\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1})$, retaining the point nearest the midpoint of the interval.

8.4.5 Remove replicates with no overlap between amphi and pseudohypo A - g_{sw} curves

Rationale: We could not estimate AA for replicates where amphi and pseudohypo A - g_{sw} curves did not overlap.

Procedure: We removed replicates where the range of g_{sw} values for amphi and pseudohypo A - g_{sw} curves did not overlap.

8.4.6 Trim extreme AA values

Rationale: Extreme AA values were likely due to measurement error or leaf damage. Since amphi and pseudohypo A - g_{sw} curves are measured on consecutive days, a poor calibration or a damaged leaf could cause a large difference in A between days, which would appear as an extreme AA value.

Procedure: We provisionally estimated AA for each replicate by integrating over the range of g_{sw} values where amphi and pseudohypo A - g_{sw} curves overlap. In this procedure, curve parameters were provisionally estimated using ordinary least squares with the `lm()` function in *R*. We then used point estimates of AA for each replicate as the response variable in a linear model with light treatment, light intensity, accession, and all interactions as explanatory variables. This model was also fit using ordinary least squares with the `lm()` function in *R*. We classified extreme AA values as those with an absolute internal studentized residual > 3 . Because these values likely indicate significant measurement error or leaf damage, we removed A - g_{sw} curves at both light intensities if either was classified as extreme.

Table 4: Two sequential steps for cleaning $A-g_{sw}$ curves. The rationale and procedure for each step are described in the text. The rightmost columns summarize the number of curves and mean number of points per curve remaining after each step.

Step: description	Number of curves	Number of points per curve
1. remove outliers within each $A-Q$ curve	658	19.1
2. remove $A-Q$ curves with poor fit	652	19.1

8.5 Cleaning $A-Q$ curves

The raw data set consisted of 658 $A-Q$ curves with an average of 19.4. Manual curation of a data set this size in a principled, consistent manner is not feasible. Therefore, we automated data cleaning using custom *R* scripts. Cleaning is divided into two sequential steps (Table 4).

8.5.1 Remove outliers within each $A-Q$ curve

Rationale: Individual outliers within $A-g_{sw}$ curves, usually caused by transitory changes in chamber conditions, exert undue leverage on parameter estimates and cause bias and/or low precision in parameter estimates.

Procedure: We fit provisional nonrectangular hyperbola (57) to each $A-Q$ curve using nonlinear regression with the `nlsLM()` function from the *R* package **minpack.lm** version 1.2.4 (58). We sequentially removed data points with an absolute external studentized residual > 3 until none remained.

8.5.2 Remove $A-Q$ curves with poor fit

Rationale: $A-Q$ curves with a poor fit to the nonrectangular hyperbola most likely indicate systematic measurement error and/or the leaf was not fully acclimated to the chamber environment.

Procedure: As described above, we fit provisional nonrectangular hyperbola to each $A-Q$ curve and calculated the model r^2 . There was a clear break between typical curves and poorly fitting curves where $r^2 < 0.99$. We therefore removed $A-Q$ curves with $r^2 < 0.99$.

8.6 Bayesian data analysis in *Stan*

We fit five models to test predictions of competing hypotheses about why amphistomy advantage (AA) might be greater for leaves in sunny, open habitats. This section provides an overview of differences among models (Table 5). The next sections describe how we fit models in *Stan*, all model parameters and priors, and specific predictions about parameter values for each hypothesis.

Table 5: Summary of differences among competing models of how AA varies with light intensity, light treatment, and among accessions as a function of native PPFD. The models are numbered from simpler to more complex. All models include fixed effects of light intensity and light treatment; some models include interactions between. All models include a phylogenetic random effect of accession on AA; some models include varying effects of light intensity and light treatment among accessions. The last column indicates the accession-level AA variable we used as a response to native PPFD.

Model	Fixed effects	Phylogenetic random effects	Response to native PPFD
1	light intensity light treatment	varying intercept among accessions	$AA_{0,acc}$
2	light intensity light treatment intensity \times treatment	varying intercept among accessions	$AA_{0,acc}$
3	light intensity light treatment	varying intercept among accessions varying effect of high light intensity among accessions	$AA_{2000,acc}$
4	light intensity light treatment	varying intercept among accessions varying effect of sun treatment among accessions	$AA_{sun, acc}$
5	light intensity light treatment intensity \times treatment	varying intercept among accessions varying effect of high light intensity among accessions varying effect of sun treatment among accessions	$AA_{2000,sun, acc}$

8.6.1 Fitting models in *Stan*

We fit Bayesian models with MCMC sampling in the probabilistic programming language *Stan* (59) using the *R* package **brms** version 2.22.0 (60). We used CmdStan version 2.36.0 and **cmdstanr** version 0.9.0 (61) to interface with *R* version 4.5.0 (62). We sampled the posterior distribution from 1 chains with 1000 iterations each after 1000 warmup iterations per chain. We estimated parameters and confidence intervals as the median and 95% quantile intervals of the posterior, respectively. We chose the number of chains, warmup and sampling iterations, and maximum treedepth so that parameter estimates converged ($\hat{R} < 1.01$ (63)) and the effective sample size (ESS) for each parameter was $> 10^3$.

8.6.2 Parameter estimation and priors

There were four levels of parameter estimation in our analysis:

1. Estimate $A-g_{sw}$ curve parameters
2. Estimate AA for each light intensity with leaf using $A-g_{sw}$ curve parameters
3. Estimate the effects of light intensity, light treatment, and accession on AA (assimilatory and plasticity hypotheses)
4. Estimate the effects of native light habitat on accession-level AA (constitutive hypothesis)

Although the higher-level parameter estimates depend on the lower-level parameter estimates, we fit all models simultaneously to ensure that the uncertainty in lower-level estimates propagated to higher-level estimates.

Table 6: Description of parameters estimated in the hierarchical Bayesian model. The **Parameter** column lists the parameter name as it appears in text. The **Description** column provides a brief description of the parameter.

Parameter	Description
$A-g_{sw}$ curve parameters	
$\mathbf{B}_{\text{curve}}$	$n_{\text{curve}} \times 3$ array of random $A-g_{sw}$ curve-level coefficients ($b_{0,j}, b_{1,j}, b_{2,j}$); $\mathbf{B}_{\text{curve}} \sim \text{MVN}(\vec{0}, \Sigma_{\text{curve}})$
$\vec{\beta}_{\text{curve}}$	vector of mean quadratic coefficients ($\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2$)
Σ_{curve}	3×3 covariance matrix of curve-level coefficients
$\sigma_{6 \text{ cm}^2, \epsilon}$	minimum residual standard deviation when the measured leaf surface area is 6 cm^2
$\beta_{S, \epsilon}$	slope of the relationship between residual standard deviation and measured leaf surface area (log-link scale)
ρ_{ϵ}	lag-1 residual autocorrelation
AA for each light intensity with leaf using $A-g_{sw}$ curve parameters	
$\widehat{\text{AA}}_{klm}$	estimate of AA for the k^{th} leaf at light intensity l in accession m
effects of light intensity, light treatments, and accession on AA	

$\beta_{AA,0}$	intercept of AA at low light intensity in shade treatment
$\beta_{AA,2000}$	effect of high light intensity at PPFD = 2000 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ on AA
$\beta_{AA,\text{sun}}$	effect of sun treatment on AA
$\beta_{AA,2000,\text{sun}}$	effect of high light intensity at PPFD = 2000 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ on AA in sun treatment
$\vec{\beta}_{AA,\text{acc}}$	vector of n_{acc} phylogenetically structured random accession-level effects on AA; $\vec{\beta}_{AA,\text{acc}} \sim \text{MVN}(\vec{0}, \Sigma_{AA,\text{acc}})$
$\Sigma_{AA,\text{acc}}$	$n_{\text{acc}} \times n_{\text{acc}}$ covariance matrix of phylogenetically structured random accession-level effects on AA;
$\vec{\beta}_{AA,\text{rep}}$	vector of n_{rep} random replicate-level effects on AA; $\vec{\beta}_{AA,\text{rep}} \sim \text{Normal}(0, \sigma_{AA,\text{rep}})$
$\vec{\beta}_{AA,2000,\text{acc}}$	vector of n_{acc} phylogenetically structured random accession-level effects of high light intensity at PPFD = 2000 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ on AA; $\vec{\beta}_{AA,2000,\text{acc}} \sim \text{MVN}(\vec{0}, \Sigma_{AA,2000,\text{acc}})$
$\vec{\beta}_{AA,\text{sun},\text{acc}}$	vector of n_{acc} phylogenetically structured random accession-level effects of sun treatment on AA; $\vec{\beta}_{AA,\text{sun},\text{acc}} \sim \text{MVN}(\vec{0}, \Sigma_{AA,\text{sun},\text{acc}})$
$\sigma_{AA,\epsilon,0}$	intercept of phylogenetically unstructured residual standard deviation of AA
$\beta_{AA,\epsilon,2000}$	effect of high light intensity at PPFD = 2000 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ on phylogenetically unstructured residual standard deviation of AA (log-link scale)
$\beta_{AA,\epsilon,\text{sun}}$	effect of sun treatment on phylogenetically unstructured residual standard deviation of AA (log-link scale)
$\sigma_{AA,\text{rep}}$	standard deviation of random replicate-level effects on AA
$\alpha_{AA,\text{acc}}$	decay rate of phylogenetic covariance in random accession-level effects on AA
$\sigma_{AA,\text{acc}}^2$	phylogenetic diffusion rate in random accession-level effects on AA
$\alpha_{AA,2000,\text{acc}}$	decay rate of phylogenetic covariance in random accession-level effects of high light intensity at PPFD = 2000 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ on AA
$\sigma_{AA,2000,\text{acc}}^2$	phylogenetic diffusion rate in random accession-level effects of high light intensity at PPFD = 2000 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ on AA
$\alpha_{AA,\text{sun},\text{acc}}$	decay rate of phylogenetic covariance in random accession-level effects of sun treatment on AA
$\sigma_{AA,\text{sun},\text{acc}}^2$	phylogenetic diffusion rate in random accession-level effects of sun treatment on AA
effects of native light habitat on accession-level AA	
$\beta_{AA,\text{PPFD},0}$	intercept of accession-level AA when native PPFD = 0 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$
$\beta_{AA,\text{PPFD},1}$	slope of native PPFD on accession-level AA
$\alpha_{AA,\text{PPFD}}$	decay rate of phylogenetic covariance in residuals of model testing effect of native PPFD on accession-level AA
$\sigma_{AA,\text{PPFD}}^2$	phylogenetic diffusion rate in residuals of model testing effect of native PPFD on accession-level AA

8.6.2.1 $A-g_{\text{sw}}$ curve parameters

We modeled $\log(A)$ as a quadratic function of $\log(g_{\text{sw}})$ for each leaf using the following equation:

$$\log(A_{ij}) = (\beta_0 + b_{0,j}) + (\beta_1 + b_{1,j}) \log g_{\text{sw},i} + (\beta_2 + b_{2,j}) \log g_{\text{sw},i}^2 + \epsilon_i$$

where β_0 , β_1 , and β_2 are the average intercept, linear, and quadratic coefficients, respectively. We used diffuse normal priors with mean 0 and standard deviation 10 on these parameters. We estimated random effects of curve j on the intercept ($b_{0,j}$), linear ($b_{1,j}$), and quadratic ($b_{2,j}$) coefficients. We assumed that the $j \times 3$ array of coefficients was multivariate normal a mean vector of $\vec{0}$ and covariance Σ_{curve} . We used a weakly informative normal prior with mean 0 and standard deviation 1 on the log-transformed standard deviations (i.e. the diagonal of Σ_{curve}). We used a weakly informative LJK(2) prior on the correlation matrix. The off diagonal elements of Σ_{curve} can be calculated from its diagonal elements and the correlation matrix.

The residuals ϵ_i were modeled as a lag-1 autocorrelated time-series. We further assumed that the residual standard deviation of the j^{th} curve ($\sigma_{\epsilon,j}$) was inversely proportional to the leaf surface area (S_j) within the chamber:

$$\log(\sigma_{\epsilon,j}) = \log(\sigma_{6 \text{ cm}^2, \epsilon}) + (6 - S_j)\beta_{S, \epsilon}$$

where $\sigma_{6 \text{ cm}^2, \epsilon}$ is the minimum residual standard deviation when the 6 cm² chamber is completely filled. The residual standard deviation increases on log-linear scale by $\beta_{S, \epsilon}$. We used a weakly informative normal prior with mean -3 and standard deviation 5 on $\log(\sigma_{6 \text{ cm}^2, \epsilon})$ and a weakly informative normal prior with mean 0 and standard deviation 1 on $\beta_{S, \epsilon}$.

8.6.2.2 AA for each light intensity with leaf using A - g_{sw} curve parameters

Within the k^{th} leaf, we estimated AA for each light intensity by integrating the difference in $\log(A)$ between the amphi and pseudohypo A - g_{sw} curves over the range of g_{sw} values where the curves overlap (from $\min(\log(g_{\text{sw}}))$ to $\max(\log(g_{\text{sw}}))$). The estimate of AA for the k^{th} leaf at light intensity l in accession m is:

$$\widehat{\text{AA}}_{klm} = \int_{\min(\log(g_{\text{sw}}))}^{\max(\log(g_{\text{sw}}))} \log \left(\frac{\hat{A}_{\text{amphi}}(x; \theta_{klm, \text{amphi}})}{\hat{A}_{\text{hypo}}(x; \theta_{klm, \text{hypo}})} \right) dx$$

where:

$$\theta_{\text{amphi}} \in \{\hat{b}_{0, f(\text{amphi}, k, l, m)}, \hat{b}_{1, f(\text{amphi}, k, l, m)}, \hat{b}_{2, f(\text{amphi}, k, l, m)}\}, \text{ and}$$

$$\theta_{\text{hypo}} \in \{\hat{b}_{0, f(\text{hypo}, k, l, m)}, \hat{b}_{1, f(\text{hypo}, k, l, m)}, \hat{b}_{2, f(\text{hypo}, k, l, m)}\}.$$

The function $f : \Theta_1 \rightarrow \Theta_2$ maps the set Θ_1 indexed by leaf type (amphi or pseudohypo), leaf replicate, light intensity, and accession to set Θ_2 indexed by individual A – g_{sw} curve. This mapping is necessary because the random effects structure differs between models of $\log(g_{sw})$ on $\log(A)$ and that of models predicting AA described in the next section.

8.6.2.3 Effects of light intensity, light treatment, and accession on AA

We tested for effects of light intensity, light treatment, accession, and their interactions on AA. All models included effects of light intensity and light treatment, as well as random effects of accession and replicate within accession. More complex models included interactions between light intensity and light treatment, as well as random effects of accession on the effects of light intensity and light treatment. We used a weakly informative normal prior with mean 0 and standard deviation 10 for fixed effects of light intensity and treatment. We used a weakly informative normal prior with mean -3 and standard deviation 5 for the the random effect standard deviation of replicate within accession. We accounted for the phylogenetic structure among the random effects of accession using an Ornstein-Uhlenbeck (OU) process (64). The expected covariance between accessions i and j ($\text{Cov}(i, j)$) is:

$$\text{Cov}(i, j) = \frac{\sigma^2}{2\alpha} \exp(-\alpha D_{ij})$$

where σ^2 is the variance of the random effect, α is the rate of decay of the covariance with phylogenetic distance, D_{ij} , the phylogenetic distance between accessions i and j . We estimated $\sigma^2/(2\alpha)$ and α as a separate parameters and reparameterized them as σ^2 and α . We used a weakly informative normal prior with mean 0 and standard deviation 10 on OU parameters.

We modeled the residual standard deviation of AA, (i.e. phylogenetically unstructured variation unaccounted for by explanatory variables) on a log-link scale with effects of light intensity and light treatment. We used a weakly informative normal prior with mean -3 and standard deviation 5 on the residual standard deviation intercept and a weakly informative normal prior with mean 0 and standard deviation 1 on the effects of light intensity and light treatment on the residual standard deviation.

8.6.2.4 Effects of native light habitat on accession-level AA

We tested a linear effect of native light habitat on accession-level AA. In Models 1 and 2, we used the random intercept of AA as a response variable; in model 3 we used the random intercept plus the random effect of accession at high light intensity; in model 4 we used the random intercept plus the random effect of accession in the sun treatment; in model 5 we used the random intercept plus the random effects of accession at high light intensity and sun treatment. We used a weakly informative normal prior with mean 0 and standard deviation 1 for the slope and intercept. We accounted for the phylogenetic structure among the model residuals using an (OU) process. We used a weakly informative normal prior with mean 0 and standard deviation 10 on OU parameters.

8.6.3 Predictions

The assimilatory, plastic, and constitutive hypotheses make different predictions about the relationship between AA and light intensity, light treatment, and native PPFD among accessions. Since these hypotheses are not mutually exclusive, we describe how we assessed support for one, two, or all three hypotheses simultaneously in Table 7. In general, the assimilatory hypothesis was supported if AA was greater at high light intensity than low light intensity. The plastic hypothesis was supported if AA was greater in sun leaves than shade leaves. The constitutive hypothesis was supported if accession-level AA increased with native PPFD. In interactive models, we only consider positively reinforcing interactions between high light intensity, sun leaves, and native PPFD because these are the only interactions which could explain why amphistomatous leaves are advantageous in high light habitats.

We evaluated predictions using a combination of parameter estimation and model selection. In all cases, we estimated parameters and confidence intervals as described in Section 8.6.1. If the 95% confidence intervals for a parameter did not overlap zero, we considered the parameter to be significantly different from zero. We used the leave-one-out cross-validation information criterion (LOOIC) to compare the fit of models (Table 5) using the *R* package **loo** version 2.8.0 (65) to calculate LOOIC values. Note that LOOIC was calculated only from pointwise likelihood values of the submodel estimating effects of light intensity, light treatments, and accession on AA (see Section 8.6.2). We considered models with two standard errors of the mean lower LOOIC value to be a better fit to the data; we considered models with LOOIC values within two standard errors of the mean to be have similar support.

Table 7: Predictions of competing hypotheses about the relationship between AA and light intensity, light treatment, and native PPFD among accessions. The middle column lists specific directional predictions about parameter values and model fit according to leave-one-out cross-validation information criterion (LOOIC), where LOOIC_i is the LOOIC value for model i . The rightmost column describes the predictions in words and explains how accession-level AA is calculated in the relevant model.

Hypothesis	Prediction(s)	Description
Assimilatory	$\beta_{\text{AA},2000} > 0$	Average AA at high light intensity is greater than that at low light intensity
Plastic	$\beta_{\text{AA},\text{sun}} > 0$	Average AA in sun leaves is greater than that in shade leaves
Constitutive	$\beta_{\text{PPFD},\text{AA}} > 0$	Accession-level AA (AA_{acc}) increases with native PPFD $\text{AA}_{\text{acc}} = \beta_{\text{AA},0} + \vec{\beta}_{\text{AA},\text{acc}}$
Assimilatory \times Plastic	$\beta_{\text{AA},2000,\text{sun}} > 0$ $\text{LOOIC}_1 > \text{LOOIC}_2$	Average AA is highest at high light intensity in sun leaves

Assimilatory × Constitutive	$\beta_{AA,2000} > 0$	Average AA at high light intensity is greater than that at low light intensity
	$\beta_{PPFD,AA} > 0$	Accession-level AA at high light intensity ($AA_{acc,2000}$) increases with native PPFD
	$LOOIC_1 > LOOIC_3$	$AA_{acc,2000} = \beta_{AA,0} + \vec{\beta}_{AA,acc} + \vec{\beta}_{AA,2000,acc}$
Plastic × Constitutive	$\beta_{AA,sun} > 0$	Average AA in sun leaves is greater than that in shade leaves
	$\beta_{PPFD,AA} > 0$	Accession-level AA in sun leaves ($AA_{acc,sun}$) increases with native PPFD
	$LOOIC_1 > LOOIC_4$	$AA_{acc,sun} = \beta_{AA,0} + \vec{\beta}_{AA,acc} + \vec{\beta}_{AA,sun,acc}$
Assimilatory × Plastic × Constitutive	$\beta_{AA,2000,sun} > 0$	Average AA is highest at high light intensity in sun leaves
	$\beta_{PPFD,AA} > 0$	Accession-level AA at high light intensity in sun leaves ($AA_{acc,2000,sun}$) increases with native PPFD
	$LOOIC_3 > LOOIC_5$	$AA_{acc,2000,sun} = \beta_{AA,0} + \vec{\beta}_{AA,acc} + \vec{\beta}_{AA,2000,acc} + \vec{\beta}_{AA,sun,acc}$

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