Influence of non-photosynthetic pigments on the measured quantum yield of photosynthesis<sup>\*</sup>

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#### Abstract

The aim of this work was to assess the effect of non-photosynthetic (photoprotecting) pigments on the measured quantum yield of photosynthesis in the sea. The energy absorbed by these pigments is not utilised during photosynthesis. As a result, the measured yield of this process, *i.e.* the photosynthetic yield referred to the total energy absorbed by all phytoplankton pigments, is less than the actual quantum yield of photosynthesis, *i.e.* the yield referred to the energy absorbed by photosynthetic pigments only. The model of the absorption properties of marine phytoplankton derived by the authors (see Woźniak *et al.* 2000, this volume) was employed to determine the relevant contributions of photosynthetic and non-photosynthetic pigments to the total energy absorbed by phytoplankton

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in different trophic types of seas and at different depths in the water column. On this basis the non-photosynthetic pigment absorption factor  $f_a$ , which describes the relation between the true and measured quantum yields of photosynthesis, could be characterised. The analysis shows that  $f_a$  varies in value from 0.33 to 1, and that it depends on the trophic type of sea and the depth in the water column. The values of this factor are usually highest in eutrophic waters and decrease as waters become progressively more oligotrophic. It is also characteristic of  $f_a$  that it increases with increasing depth in the sea.

#### 1. Introduction

Under natural conditions in the sea, phytoplankton produces not only chlorophyll *a*, but also various types of accessory (photoprotecting and photosynthetic) pigments, including photoprotecting carotenoids (PPC), which protect chlorophyll *a* from photo-oxidation (Bidigare *et al.* 1990, Woźniak *et al.* 1997). The energy absorbed by these pigments is not used for photosynthesis (Babin *et al.* 1996a, b, Bidigare *et al.* 1996). This is why the measured (observed) quantum yield of photosynthesis, referred to quanta absorbed by all photoprotecting and photosynthetic phytoplankton pigments, differs from the true quantum yield, referred only to the quanta absorbed by the photosynthetic pigments.

Let  $\Phi_1 \text{ [mol C Ein}^{-1}$ ] be the measured (observed) quantum yield of photosynthesis – the carbon fixation  $P^B \text{ [mol C (mg tot. chl a)}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ] divided by the energy  $PUR^*$  absorbed by all photoprotecting and photosynthetic phytoplankton pigments [Ein (mg tot. chl a)}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}]:

$$\Phi_1 = \frac{P^B}{PUR^*},\tag{1}$$

and let  $\Phi_2$  be the true quantum yield of photosynthesis – the carbon fixation  $P^B$  divided by the energy  $PUR^*_{PSP}$  absorbed by phytoplankton photosynthetic pigments only [Ein (mg tot. chl a)<sup>-1</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>]:

$$\Phi_2 = \frac{P^B}{PUR_{PSP}^*}.$$
(2)

The absorbed energies  $PUR^*$  and  $PUR^*_{PSP}$  can be determined from the following formulae using the respective irradiances and phytoplankton absorption coefficients:

$$PUR^* \approx \int_{400\,\mathrm{nm}}^{700\,\mathrm{nm}} E_0(\lambda) \ a_{pl}^*(\lambda) \, d\lambda = \tilde{a}_{pl}^* \ PAR_0, \tag{3}$$

$$PUR_{PSP}^* \approx \int_{400\,\mathrm{nm}}^{700\,\mathrm{nm}} E_0(\lambda) \ a_{pl,\,PSP}^*(\lambda) \, d\lambda = \tilde{a}_{pl,\,PSP}^* \ PAR_0, \tag{4}$$

where

 $E_0(\lambda)$  – spectral scalar irradiance,

 $a_{pl}(\lambda), a_{pl, PSP}(\lambda)$  – respective spectra of absorption coefficients of total phytoplankton pigments and of photosynthetic pigments only,  $PAR_0$  – total scalar irradiance in the 400–700 nm range:

$$PAR_0 = \int_{400\,\mathrm{nm}}^{700\,\mathrm{nm}} E_0(\lambda) \, d\lambda;$$

 $\tilde{a}_{pl}^{*}$ ,  $\tilde{a}_{pl, PSP}^{*}$  – respective mean specific absorption coefficients weighted by the irradiance spectrum in the 400–700 nm range for all phytoplankton pigments and for photosynthetic phytoplankton pigments only:

$$\tilde{a}_{pl}^{*} = \frac{1}{PAR_0} \int_{400 \text{ nm}}^{700 \text{ nm}} E_0(\lambda) \ a_{pl}^{*}(\lambda) \, d\lambda, \tag{5}$$

$$\tilde{a}_{pl,PSP}^{*} = \frac{1}{PAR_{0}} \int_{400\,\mathrm{nm}}^{700\,\mathrm{nm}} E_{0}(\lambda) \ a_{pl,PSP}^{*}(\lambda) \, d\lambda.$$
(6)

In extreme cases, when no photoprotecting pigments are present in phytoplankton cells, both these energies are equal. In other cases  $PUR_{PSP}^*$  is always less than  $PUR^*$  ( $PUR^* \ge PUR_{PSP}^*$ ), so the measured (observed) quantum yield of photosynthesis  $\Phi_1$  is always lower than or at most equal to the true quantum yield of photosynthesis  $\Phi_2(\Phi_1 \le \Phi_2)$ .

The aim of this paper is to evaluate by mathematical modelling the degree to which these two quantum yields differ from each other in different types of seas and under different conditions. To do this we used the model relationships discussed earlier (Majchrowski & Ostrowska 1999 and 2000, this volume) between the concentrations of particular photosynthetic or non-photosynthetic pigments and light conditions in the sea, as well as the model of light absorption capacities of marine phytoplankton developed by Woźniak *et al.* (2000, this volume).

# 2. Methods of calculating the non-photosynthetic pigment absorption factor

The difference between the measured (apparent)  $\Phi_1$  and the true quantum yield of photosynthesis  $\Phi_2$  can be described by the ratio  $f_a$ :

$$f_a = \frac{\Phi_1}{\Phi_2},\tag{7}$$

which we call the non-photosynthetic pigment absorption factor  $f_a$ .

Values of  $f_a$  vary from 0 to 1, which shows that the quantum yield of photosynthesis decreases owing to the presence of photoprotecting pigments.

If we determine  $f_a$  using eqs. (1)–(4), it becomes the ratio of the two mean specific absorption coefficients  $\tilde{a}^*_{pl,PSP}$  and  $\tilde{a}^*_{pl}$ , averaged with the weight of the irradiance spectrum:

$$f_a = \frac{\tilde{a}_{pl,PSP}^*}{\tilde{a}_{pl}^*}.$$
(8)

According to the definitions of these absorption coefficients (eqs. (5) and (6)), it is possible to determine them, provided we have the following data:

- the spectrum of scalar irradiance  $E_0(\lambda, z)$  and the total scalar irradiance in the 400–700 nm spectral range  $PAR_0(z)$  at various depths in the sea (or the vector irradiance PAR(z), as there is a simple link between them:  $PAR_0 \approx 1.2 PAR$ ),
- the spectrum of the total absorption coefficients for all phytoplankton pigments  $a_{pl}(\lambda, z)$  and for photosynthetic pigments  $a_{pl}PSP(\lambda, z)$ , but only at the same depths as  $E_0(\lambda, z)$ .

On the other hand, values of  $E_0(\lambda, z)$ ,  $PAR_0(z)$  and  $a_{pl}(\lambda, z)$ ,  $a_{pl,PSP}(\lambda, z)$  can be determined based on a knowledge of the irradiance just below the sea surface  $PAR_0(0^+)$  and the trophicity (*i.e.* surface chlorophyll *a* concentration  $C_a(0)$ ) using the following two models:

- the bio-optical model of optical properties of the sea, with which typical scalar and vector irradiances for various trophic types of sea and at different depths in the water column can be determined. A number of similar bio-optical models are described in various papers (Smith & Baker 1978, Baker & Smith 1982, Morel 1988, Woźniak *et al.* 1992a, b, 1995). In this paper we used Woźniak's bio-optical classification of oceanic waters;
- the model of phytoplankton absorption, which allows us to determine spectra of the total absorption coefficients for all phytoplankton pigments and the absorption coefficient for photosynthetic phytoplankton pigments only (Woźniak *et al.* 1999 and Majchrowski & Ostrowska 1999, 2000, this volume).

The results of calculating the factor  $f_a$  are now given.

# 3. Results

Examples of the non-photosynthetic pigment absorption factor  $f_a$  determined according to the method described in this paper are given in Fig. 1 (see also Appendix). The calculations were made for the irradiance just below the sea surface  $PAR_0(0^+) = 695 \ \mu \text{Ein m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ . This is a typical value of the daily mean irradiance at mean latitudes. As one can see in Fig. 1,  $f_a$  varies for different depths and different trophic types of seas;



Fig. 1. The modelled vertical distribution of the non-photosynthetic pigment factor  $f_a$  in different trophic types of sea: dependence on optical depth  $\tau$  (a), dependence on real depth z [m] (b). The symbols of trophic types correspond to the surface chlorophyll a concentration  $C_a(0)$ : O1 –  $C_a(0) = 0.035$  mg tot. chla m<sup>-3</sup>; O2 –  $C_a(0) = 0.07$  mg tot. chla m<sup>-3</sup>; O3 –  $C_a(0) = 0.15$  mg tot. chla m<sup>-3</sup>; M –  $C_a(0) = 0.35$  mg tot. chla m<sup>-3</sup>; P –  $C_a(0) = 0.7$  mg tot. chla m<sup>-3</sup>; E1 –  $C_a(0) = 1.5$  mg tot. chla m<sup>-3</sup>; E2 –  $C_a(0) = 3.5$  mg tot. chla m<sup>-3</sup>; E3 –  $C_a(0) = 7$  mg tot. chla m<sup>-3</sup>; E4 –  $C_a(0) = 15$  mg tot. chla m<sup>-3</sup>; E5 –  $C_a(0) = 35$  mg tot. chla m<sup>-3</sup>

the trophicity is given by the surface chlorophyll a concentration index  $C_a(0)$ . The non-photosynthetic pigment absorption factor  $f_a$  increases with chlorophyll a concentration – it is smallest in oligotrophic waters, where the concentration of photoprotecting pigments is relatively high. In contrast, the largest value of  $f_a$  should be recorded in eutrophic waters, where the photosynthetic pigment concentration is relatively high. As regards variability with depth, we can say that  $f_a$  usually increases with depth. This is because of the fall in the number of quanta of high-energy radiation from the short-wave range of visible light which can photo-oxidise chlorophyll a. Hence, the relative quantity of photoprotecting carotenoids produced by phytoplankton also falls. In the extreme cases of super-eutrophic seas, even if these are shallow, only photosynthetic pigments are present  $\tilde{a}^*_{pl, PSP} \approx \tilde{a}^*_{pl}$  and the factor  $f_a$  approaches 1.

For the case presented in Fig. 1,  $f_a$  varies over the range 0.5–1. This result was obtained for a mean irradiance  $PAR_0(0^+) = 695 \ \mu \text{Ein m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ . If we take a larger irradiance into consideration, for example  $PAR_0(0^+) = 1300 \ \mu \text{Ein m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ , which is typical of equatorial waters, we obtain

a minimal value of  $f_a = ca \ 0.32$ , not 0.5. The natural variability of recorded values of the non-photosynthetic pigment absorption factor  $f_a$  thus lies between 0.32 and 1, depending on the trophic type of sea and the depth. Therefore, as a result of variations in the ratio of photosynthetic pigments to all pigments, the measured quantum yield of photosynthesis can vary by a factor of three.

In conclusion, it has to be said that values of  $f_a$  had to be calculated from a complicated model. To make the calculation easier we derived an alternative, polynomial method of determining the mean absorption coefficients  $\tilde{a}_{pl}^*$ ,  $\tilde{a}_{pl,PSP}^*$ , and then  $f_a$  (from eq. (8)), on the basis of the surface chlorophyll *a* concentration  $C_a(0)$ , the optical depth  $\tau$  and sea surface irradiance  $PAR_0(0^+)$ . To do this we approximated by means of a polynomial the values of  $\tilde{a}_{pl}^*$ ,  $\tilde{a}_{pl,PSP}^*$  and  $f_a$  obtained from computations using the complete mathematical apparatus of earlier models. The relevant values of  $\tilde{a}_{pl}^*$  and  $\tilde{a}_{pl,PSP}^*$  can be determined with the aid of polynomials (9) and (10). The values of the coefficients  $A_{m,n}$ ,  $B_{m,n}$  and  $C_{m,n}$ , are given in Tables 1–3. On the other hand,  $f_a$  was obtained according to eq. (8) by dividing the following polynomials:

$$\tilde{a}_{pl}^{*} = \sum_{m=0}^{4} \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{4} A_{m,n} \left( \log C_{a}(0) \right)^{n} \right] \tau^{m} + \\ + \sum_{m=0}^{4} \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{4} B_{m,n} \left( \log C_{a}(0) \right)^{n} \right] \tau^{m} + \\ + PAR \left( 0^{+} \right) \sum_{m=0}^{4} \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{4} C_{m,n} \left( \log C_{a}(0) \right)^{n} \right] \tau^{m},$$

$$(9)$$

$$\tilde{a}_{pl,PSP}^{*} = \sum_{m=0}^{4} \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{4} A_{m,n} (\log C_a(0))^n \right] \tau^m.$$
(10)

**Table 1.** Values of  $A_{m,n}$  in eqs. (9) and (10)

a) for  $0.035 < C_a(0) < 1.5$ 

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n/m	0	1	2	3	4
0	$1.382 \times$	$10^{-2} - 6.329 \times 1$	$0^{-3} - 9.281 \times$	$10^{-3} - 5.333 \times$	$10^{-3} - 1.195 \times 10^{-3}$
1	$4.717 \times$	$10^{-4} - 2.980 \times 1$	$0^{-3}$ 1.460 ×	$10^{-2}$ 1.269 ×	$10^{-2}$ $3.641 \times 10^{-3}$
2	$-8.151 \times$	$10^{-5}$ 7.691 × 1	$0^{-4} - 5.625 \times$	$10^{-3} - 6.276 \times$	$10^{-3} - 2.265 \times 10^{-3}$
3	$3.254 \times$	$10^{-5} - 1.270 \times 1$	$0^{-4}$ 6.555 ×	$10^{-4}$ 8.225 ×	$10^{-4}$ $3.218 \times 10^{-4}$
4	$-2.272 \times$	$10^{-6}$ $6.099 \times 1$	$0^{-6} - 2.156 \times$	$10^{-5} - 2.871 \times$	$10^{-5} - 1.206 \times 10^{-5}$

# Table 1. (continued)

**b)** for  $1.5 \le C_a(0) < 70$ 

n/m	0	1	2	3	4
0	$1.359 \times$	$10^{-2} - 6.661 \times 1$	$0^{-3} - 1.754 \times$	$10^{-3}$ 1.293 ×	$10^{-3} - 1.661 \times 10^{-4}$
1	$9.238 \times$	$10^{-4} - 2.283 \times 1$	$0^{-3} - 4.078 \times$	$10^{-4}$ 2.144 ×	$10^{-3} - 7.524 \times 10^{-4}$
2	$-2.708\times$	$10^{-4}$ $4.368 \times 1$	$0^{-4}$ 8.568 ×	$10^{-4} - 1.295 \times$	$10^{-3}$ $4.043 \times 10^{-4}$
3	$5.401 \times$	$10^{-5} - 7.769 \times 1$	$0^{-5} - 1.056 \times$	$10^{-4}$ 1.735 ×	$10^{-4} - 5.546 \times 10^{-5}$
4	$-2.979 \times$	$10^{-6}$ $3.940 \times 1$	$0^{-6}$ 5.061 ×	$10^{-6} - 8.404 \times$	$10^{-6}$ $2.708 \times 10^{-6}$

**Table 2.** Values of  $B_{m,n}$  in eq. (9)

**a)** for  $0.035 < C_a(0) < 1.5$ 

n/m	0	1	2	3	4
0	$2.536 \times$	$10^{-3} - 1.639 \times 10^{-3}$	$0^{-3} - 1.651 \times$	$10^{-3} - 7.143 \times$	$10^{-4} - 9.046 \times 10^{-5}$
1	$8.931 \times$	$10^{-4} - 1.608 \times 10^{-4}$	$0^{-5}$ 3.912 ×	$10^{-3}$ 3.449 ×	$10^{-3}$ $8.775 \times 10^{-4}$
2	$-2.102\times$	$10^{-4}$ 3.960 × 10	$0^{-4} - 1.610 \times$	$10^{-3} - 1.823 \times$	$10^{-3} - 6.203 \times 10^{-4}$
3	$2.463 \times$	$10^{-5} - 5.496 \times 10^{-5}$	$0^{-5}$ 1.993 ×	$10^{-4}$ 2.480 ×	$10^{-4}$ $8.994 \times 10^{-5}$
4	$-1.058 \times$	$10^{-6}$ 2.419 × 10	$0^{-6} - 7.358 \times$	$10^{-6} - 9.231 \times$	$10^{-6} - 3.403 \times 10^{-6}$

**b)** for  $1.5 \le C_a(0) < 70$ 

n/m	0	1	2	3	4
0	$2.499 \times 10^{-10}$	$)^{-3} - 1.723 \times 1$	$10^{-3} - 1.826 \times 10^{-3}$	$10^{-4}$ $4.156 \times$	$10^{-4} - 6.549 \times 10^{-5}$
1	$9.413 \times 10^{-10}$	$0^{-4} - 1.010 \times 10^{-4}$	$10^{-3} - 5.527 \times 10^{-3}$	$10^{-4}$ 8.603 ×	$10^{-4} - 2.390 \times 10^{-4}$
2	$-2.556 \times 10$	$)^{-4}$ 3.013 × 1	$10^{-4}$ 5.962 × 1	$10^{-5} - 1.741 \times$	$10^{-4}$ $5.277 \times 10^{-5}$
3	$3.117 \times 10^{-3}$	$0^{-5} - 5.173 \times 10^{-5}$	$10^{-5}$ $2.531 \times 10^{-5}$	$10^{-5} - 9.859 \times$	$10^{-7} - 1.458 \times 10^{-6}$
4	$-1.335 \times 10^{-1}$	$0^{-6}$ 2.609 × 1	$10^{-6} - 1.975 \times 10^{-6}$	$10^{-6}$ 6.795 ×	$10^{-7} - 8.609 \times 10^{-8}$

**Table 3.** Values of  $C_{m,n}$  in eq. (9)

a) for  $\tau < \tau_{z=30\,\mathrm{m}}$ 

n/m	0	1	2	3	4
0	-5.484	$-7.703 \times$	$10^{-1} - 3.168 \times$	$10^{-1} - 5.333 \times$	$10^{-3}  3.498 \times 10^{-2}$
1	8.595	$\times 10^{-2} - 3.253 \times$	$10^{-1}$ $1.815 \times$	$10^{-1}$ $4.791 \times$	$10^{-2} - 4.652 \times 10^{-2}$
2	-6.055	$\times 10^{-3}$ 1.522 $\times$	$10^{-1} - 1.618 \times$	$10^{-1} - 3.010 \times$	$10^{-3}$ $2.477 \times 10^{-2}$
3	-1.955	$\times 10^{-2}$ 7.841 $\times$	$10^{-3}$ $2.382 \times$	$10^{-2} - 1.459 \times$	$10^{-2}$ $1.453 \times 10^{-3}$
4	3.529	$\times 10^{-3} - 7.324 \times$	$10^{-3}$ $5.537 \times$	$10^{-3} - 2.024 \times$	$10^{-3}$ $3.284 \times 10^{-4}$

#### Table 3. (continued)

**b)** for  $\tau \geq \tau_{z=30 \text{ m}}$ 

n/m	0	1	2	3	4
0	-3.071	8.855	16.99	12.05	2.894
1	$-7.338 \times$	$10^{-1} - 4.255$	-8.369	-5.812	-1.319
2	$7.143 \times$	$10^{-2}$ $8.335 \times 10^{-3}$	$^{1}$ 1.634	1.070	$2.167 \times 10^{-1}$
3	$-1.065 \times$	$10^{-2} - 7.695 \times 10^{-2}$	$^{2}$ -1.399 ×	$\times 10^{-1} - 8.100 \times 10^{-2}$	$-1.273 \times 10^{-2}$
4	$5.096 \times$	$10^{-4}$ $2.674 \times 10^{-3}$	$^{3}$ 4.366 ×	$\times 10^{-3}  2.066 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.525 \times 10^{-4}$

Estimates of the errors of approximation are given in Table 4. In all cases the errors are relatively small (usually < 2.5%). This means that polynomial approximations are practicable, especially as they reduce the time needed to calculate  $f_a$ .

**Table 4.** The relative errors of polynomial approximation estimated from themodels

	Arithmetic	e statistics	Logarithmic statistics					
	systematic $\langle \varepsilon \rangle \ [\%]$	statistical $\sigma_{\varepsilon}$ [%]	systematic $\langle \varepsilon \rangle_{\rm g} \ [\%]$	standard error factor $x$	statis $\sigma_{-}$ [%]	stical $\sigma_+$ [%]		
$\tilde{a}_{pl}^{*}$	0.0704	$\pm 2.28$	0.0729	1.023	-2.25	2.28		
$\tilde{a}_{pl, PSP}^{*}$	0.0571	$\pm 1.15$	0.0507	1.011	-1.08	1.15		
Ja	0.0228	$\pm 1.39$	0.0130	1.01	-0.99	1.0		

where

$$\varepsilon = \frac{(y_C - y_M)}{y_M} - \text{errors},$$

 $\langle \varepsilon \rangle$  – arithmetic mean of errors,

 $\sigma_{\varepsilon}$  – standard deviation of errors (statistical error),

 $\langle \varepsilon \rangle_{\rm g} = 10^{[\langle \log(y_C/y_M) \rangle]} - 1$  – geometric mean of errors,

 $x = 10^{\sigma_{\log}}$  – variability factor,

 $\sigma_{\log}$  – standard deviation of  $\log (y_C/y_M)$ ,

$$\sigma_{-} = \frac{1}{x} - 1 \text{ and}$$
  
$$\sigma_{+} = x - 1.$$

Note:

 $y_C, y_M$  – respectively calculated using eqs. (8)–(10), and measured on the basis of the full model values of  $\tilde{a}_{pl}^*, \tilde{a}_{pl, PSP}^*$  and f.

#### 4. Conclusion

The effect of non-photosynthetic pigments on the observed quantum yield of photosynthesis in the sea has been analysed. To this end,  $f_a$  – the non-photosynthetic pigment absorption factor (eq. (7)) – was defined, and a mathematical form of the relationship between this factor, and the trophic type of sea (given by the surface concentration of chlorophyll a) and the optical depth in the sea was derived (see eqs. (8)–(10)).

The analysis has shown that under natural conditions  $f_a$  varies by a factor of ca 3 (from 0.33 to 1). Its values are dependent on, *inter alia*, the trophic type of sea, increasing from eutrophic to oligotrophic waters, and on depth, usually rising with increasing depth (Fig. 1).

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# Appendix

Optical depth $\tau$	Surface chlorophyll <i>a</i> concentrations $C_a(0)$ [mg tot. chl <i>a</i> m <sup>-3</sup> ]										
	0.035	0.07	0.15	0.35	0.7	1.5	3.5	7	15	35	70
0	0.557	0.576	0.612	0.674	0.726	0.772	0.809	0.836	0.851	0.834	0.734
0.2	0.530	0.549	0.588	0.659	0.713	0.763	0.802	0.833	0.853	0.840	0.745
0.4	0.514	0.534	0.577	0.644	0.703	0.754	0.798	0.831	0.854	0.845	0.755
0.6	0.503	0.523	0.565	0.635	0.695	0.748	0.793	0.829	0.856	0.852	0.766
0.8	0.496	0.517	0.560	0.630	0.689	0.743	0.789	0.827	0.858	0.856	0.777
1	0.496	0.518	0.560	0.628	0.686	0.738	0.786	0.826	0.860	0.863	0.794
1.2	0.500	0.521	0.563	0.629	0.684	0.736	0.784	0.825	0.862	0.866	0.804
1.4	0.506	0.527	0.568	0.631	0.684	0.735	0.783	0.824	0.864	0.873	0.815
1.6	0.514	0.533	0.573	0.634	0.685	0.734	0.782	0.824	0.866	0.880	0.825
1.8	0.531	0.540	0.579	0.637	0.686	0.734	0.781	0.825	0.869	0.883	0.839
2	0.556	0.560	0.584	0.641	0.687	0.735	0.782	0.825	0.871	0.889	0.847
2.2	0.578	0.585	0.589	0.643	0.689	0.736	0.782	0.826	0.874	0.895	0.860
2.4	0.601	0.607	0.613	0.646	0.691	0.737	0.784	0.828	0.876	0.901	0.868
2.6	0.621	0.626	0.631	0.649	0.693	0.739	0.785	0.829	0.879	0.907	0.875
2.8	0.640	0.645	0.650	0.652	0.695	0.741	0.786	0.831	0.882	0.909	0.885
3	0.656	0.661	0.667	0.658	0.697	0.742	0.788	0.833	0.884	0.914	0.894
3.2	0.671	0.676	0.681	0.675	0.699	0.744	0.791	0.835	0.886	0.919	0.900
3.4	0.683	0.687	0.693	0.692	0.701	0.746	0.793	0.837	0.889	0.923	0.908
3.6	0.695	0.699	0.704	0.705	0.702	0.748	0.795	0.840	0.892	0.927	0.913
3.8	0.705	0.709	0.714	0.716	0.704	0.750	0.797	0.842	0.894	0.931	0.920
4	0.714	0.717	0.722	0.728	0.721	0.752	0.800	0.844	0.897	0.933	0.924
4.2	0.721	0.724	0.730	0.736	0.734	0.754	0.802	0.847	0.899	0.937	0.929

**Table 5.** Optical depth profiles of the non-photosynthetic pigment factor  $f_a$  computed from the compilation model (eq. (8)), for surface irradiance  $PAR_0(0^+) = 695 \ \mu \text{Ein m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  and different trophic types represented by surface chlorophyll a

Table 5. (continued)

Optical depth $\tau$			Surfa	ce chlorop	hyll $a  \mathrm{con}$	centration	s $C_a(0)$ [m	$\log \operatorname{tot.ch} a$	$m^{-3}]$		
4.4	0.728	0.731	0.735	0.745	0.747	0.756	0.804	0.849	0.901	0.940	0.935
4.6	0.733	0.736	0.741	0.751	0.757	0.758	0.807	0.851	0.904	0.943	0.938
4.8	0.738	0.741	0.746	0.756	0.765	0.760	0.809	0.854	0.906	0.946	0.942
5	0.743	0.745	0.751	0.761	0.772	0.769	0.812	0.856	0.908	0.949	0.946
5.2	0.746	0.749	0.754	0.765	0.777	0.782	0.814	0.858	0.910	0.951	0.949
5.4	0.749	0.752	0.757	0.769	0.782	0.790	0.816	0.861	0.912	0.954	0.952
5.6	0.752	0.755	0.760	0.772	0.785	0.799	0.818	0.863	0.914	0.956	0.954
5.8	0.755	0.757	0.762	0.774	0.788	0.806	0.821	0.865	0.916	0.958	0.957
6	0.757	0.759	0.765	0.777	0.791	0.811	0.823	0.867	0.918	0.960	0.960
6.2	0.759	0.761	0.766	0.779	0.793	0.815	0.825	0.869	0.919	0.962	0.963
6.4	0.761	0.763	0.768	0.780	0.795	0.819	0.830	0.872	0.921	0.963	0.964
6.6	0.763	0.764	0.770	0.782	0.796	0.822	0.840	0.874	0.923	0.965	0.966
6.8	0.764	0.766	0.771	0.783	0.798	0.824	0.848	0.875	0.924	0.967	0.968
7	0.766	0.767	0.772	0.784	0.799	0.826	0.854	0.878	0.926	0.968	0.970
7.2	0.767	0.768	0.774	0.785	0.799	0.828	0.858	0.879	0.927	0.969	0.971
7.4	0.769	0.770	0.775	0.785	0.800	0.830	0.862	0.881	0.929	0.971	0.973
7.6	0.769	0.771	0.776	0.786	0.801	0.831	0.865	0.883	0.930	0.972	0.974
7.8	0.771	0.772	0.777	0.787	0.802	0.832	0.868	0.885	0.931	0.973	0.975
8	0.772	0.773	0.778	0.787	0.802	0.834	0.870	0.887	0.933	0.974	0.977
8.2	0.773	0.774	0.779	0.788	0.803	0.835	0.873	0.889	0.934	0.975	0.978
8.4	0.774	0.775	0.780	0.788	0.803	0.836	0.874	0.895	0.935	0.976	0.979
8.6	0.774	0.776	0.781	0.789	0.804	0.837	0.876	0.900	0.937	0.977	0.980
8.8	0.775	0.776	0.781	0.790	0.804	0.838	0.878	0.904	0.938	0.978	0.981
9	0.776	0.777	0.782	0.790	0.804	0.838	0.879	0.907	0.939	0.979	0.982
9.2	0.776	0.778	0.783	0.790	0.805	0.839	0.881	0.909	0.940	0.979	0.983