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- similar to that reported by Bé et al. (1) for populations in the Indian Ocean.
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# **Enhancement of Algal Growth and Productivity**

## by Grazing Zooplankton

Abstract. Colonies of the common planktonic green alga, Sphaerocystis schroeteri, are only partially disrupted and assimilated by Daphnia magna, a natural predator. The Daphnia break up the outer protective gelatinous sheath that surrounds Sphaerocystis colonies, but most of the algal cells emerge from Daphnia guts intact and in viable condition. During gut passage, these viable cells take up nutrients, such as phosphorus, both from algal remains and from Daphnia metabolites. This nutrient supply stimulates algal carbon fixation and cell division. Enhanced algal growth, observed after gut passage, can compensate for the minor losses to the population caused by grazing. Nutrients regenerated by grazers may produce the summer bloom of gelatinous green algae during the seasonal succession of lake phytoplankton.

Herbivorous zooplankton are traditionally considered to reduce the abundance of algae during grazing (1). However, recent studies show that primary productivity and the numbers of certain algal species increase in the presence of grazers (2-4). Nutrients, such as phosphorus, that are excreted by zooplankton (5) may stimulate the growth of algae not cropped during grazing. In this study, the uptake of excreted phosphorus and carbon by algae known to survive grazing (4) is documented and the contribution of this nutrient source to algal primary productivity and population growth is determined.

Cells of the colonial green alga, Sphaerocystis schroeteri, increase in number when the number of grazers is experimentally increased (3). Colonies consist of cells embedded in a complex polysaccharide sheath. They are ingested by Daphnia magna, D. galeata mendotae, and other natural predators, but more than 90 percent of the S. schroeteri cells are undamaged by gut passage through the grazers (4). Large colonies are broken into smaller clusters of cells with the loss of a few cells and sheath material. They are fed on by D. magna at a lower rate and are assimilated less efficiently than unsheathed unicellular green algae, such as Chlamydomonas reinhardi (Table 1) (6).

During gut passage, the intact cells of S. schroeteri take up nutrients from the remains of edible algae and from Daphnia metabolites. Light-dependent uptake and incorporation of phosphorus and carbon from algal remains were examined by allowing D. magna to fill their guts with a mixture of unlabeled S. schroeteri and Ankistrodesmus falcatus that was saturation-labeled with either NaH14CO3 or  $K_2H^{33}PO_4$  (7). The spindle-shaped single cells of A. falcatus are easily assimilated by Daphnia and are easily distinguished from the palmelloid gelatinous colonies of S. schroeteri (Fig. 1a). After 1 hour of feeding in either the light or the dark, animals were anesthetized, fixed, dehydrated, embedded, sectioned, and examined for the distribution of radioactivity by using microautoradiography (8).

The heavy grain density over ingested S. schroeteri cells (Fig. 1, b and c) documents their uptake and incorporation of <sup>33</sup>P from A. falcatus remains in both the light and the dark. Carbon-14 is taken up and incorporated more in the light than in the dark. No incorporation of label by control S. schroeteri from A. falcatus cells in the feeding suspension was detected. The autoradiographs give a conservative indication of uptake since soluble label is removed during washing and dehydration and only label incorporated into fixed, insoluble cell components remains. Phosphorus uptake in both the light and the dark is expected since uptake and storage of phosphorus is independent of light (9). The predominance of light-dependent carbon uptake, however, suggests that it is primarily the result of autotrophic and not heterotrophic processes. The accumulated phosphorus and carbon may be taken up in both organic and inorganic forms.

Uptake of phosphorus from the metabolites of Daphnia was documented by feeding unlabeled S. schroeteri to D. magna that were saturation-labeled with <sup>33</sup>P and had empty guts (10). Feces containing intact S. schroeteri were collected and were examined for the distribution of radioactivity by using microautoradiography (8). Uptake and incorporation of <sup>33</sup>P from the metabolites of Daphnia were detected in the cells of S. schroeteri (Fig. 1d).

The effect of gut passage on algal SCIENCE, VOL. 192 growth was determined by direct observation of algal cells that survived gut passage through D. magna and cells, from the same culture, that were not ingested by Daphnia (11). The number of living cells increased significantly (P < .01 as determined by an analysis of variance) from 100  $\pm$  8 at the beginning to 164  $\pm$  15 at the end of the first 24 hours after gut passage. No significant change occurred in the noningested algal cells. These numbered  $106 \pm 10$  immediately after gut passage and  $107 \pm 9$  after 24 hours. Therefore, the algae ingested by D. magna increased in number by  $63 \pm 6$  percent (mean  $\pm$  standard deviation) during the first 24 hours after gut passage. Primary productivity, measured as the rate of carbon fixation, also increased in S. schroeteri cultures enriched with Daphnia excretia (12). Nutrients excreted by Daphnia as algal remains and animal metabolites can, therefore, stimulate primary productivity. These nutrients are presumably available in high concentrations in the Daphnia gut. They are taken up and stimulate the division of algae that survive gut passage.

Differential digestion and nutrient enrichment of gelatinous green algae may be important factors determining the growth and seasonal succession of algae in lakes (3, 13). In in situ grazing experiments, S. schroeteri numbers increase when the number of grazers is increased (3). The S. schroeteri are ingested by the dominant grazers, but more than 90 percent of the cells emerge from the grazers' guts intact and in viable condition (4). As shown in this study, there can be a 63 percent increase in the number of S. schroeteri cells in 24 hours due to gut passage. During the summer when these algae are abundant, they are likely to be ingested one to four times daily (14). Under these grazing conditions, the nutrient enrichment during gut passage can more than compensate for the losses of cells and sheath material during grazing and can result in algal population growth.

In many lakes, the spring phytoplankton bloom consists of nongelatinous unicellular algae such as cryptomonads, diatoms, naked green algae, and nannoplankton. These algae have rapid growth rates and bloom by utilizing nutrients supplied during spring turnover. They are easily ingested and assimilated by grazers. As nutrients are depleted and grazer populations increase, these algae decline in number and are replaced by colonial gelatinous green algae, such as S. schroeteri, which bloom in the summer when nutrients such as phosphorus and nitrogen are in limiting supply in the wa-25 JUNE 1976



Fig. 1. Microautoradiographs showing uptake and incorporation of <sup>33</sup>P by Sphaerocystis schroeteri during gut passage through Daphnia magna. Sources of phosphorus are digested algal cell remains (a to c) and Daphnia metabolites (d). (a) Food bolus in the mandibles of *D. magna* contains gelatinous colonies of spherical *S. schroeteri* cells surrounded by numerous, smaller, spindle-shaped cells of the digestible alga Ankistrodesmus falcatus (×200). Ankistrodesmus falcatus was labeled with K<sub>2</sub>H<sup>33</sup>PO<sub>4</sub> before feeding. (b) Grain density in the emulsion overlying (a) documents the presence of <sup>33</sup>P in *A. falcatus* and its uptake by previously unlabeled cells of *S. schroeteri* (×200). (c) Section through the rectum of *D. magna* showing accumulation of <sup>33</sup>P in intact *S. schroeteri* cells. The *A. falcatus* cells have been broken up and dispersed. Clear circles are 12-µm plastic beads (×250). (d) Heavy accumulation of <sup>33</sup>P by a colony of *S. schroeteri* collected from the feces of a saturation-labeled *D. magna* (×300).

ter column (15). Presumably, these algae rely on grazers as rich localized sources of nutrients. Their loss of some sheath material and cells to the grazers is more than compensated for by the nutrients gained during gut passage. One can easily conceive of this as a nascent symbiosis between aquatic plants and animals. These gelatinous algae are poorly

Table 1. Feeding rates (F), assimilation rates (A), and assimilation efficiencies  $(100 \times A/F)$  of *Daphnia magna* fed *Sphaerocystis schroeteri* and *Chlamydomonas reinhardi*. Rates are expressed as micrograms of algae (dry weight) per animal per hour. *Sphaerocystis schroeteri* is a gelatinous green alga that survives gut passage through *Daphnia* with the loss of some of its cells and sheath. The naked, single cells of the green alga *C. reinhardi* are easily broken up and\_assimilated by *Daphnia*. Abbreviations: X, mean; S.E., standard error; and N, number of experiments.

| Feeding rate   |       |        | Assimilation<br>rate |         |    | As-<br>simi-<br>lation<br>effi-<br>ciency |
|----------------|-------|--------|----------------------|---------|----|---|
| $\overline{X}$ | S.E.  | N      | $\overline{X}$       | S.E.    | N  | (%)                                       |
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| 5.32           | 0.87  | 10     | 1.78                 | 0.21    | 9  | 33  |
|                | Chlan | nydor  | nonas r              | einhar  | di |   |
| 13.13          | 1.99  | 9      | 7.90                 | 1.20    | 7  | 60  |

assimilated and are probably of low nutritional value to the grazers, which ultimately decline in numbers. The phytoplankton then shifts to a community dominated by slow-growing inedible forms, such as blue-green algae, which survive under the nutrient-deplete conditions of late summer and early autumn.

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- per minute. Daphnia magna were fed a suspension of  $5 \times 10^{9} (12 \mu m)$  plastic beads per milliliter for 1 hour to flush their guts. They were then pipetted into 300-ml light or dark bottles of feeding suspen-sion containing  $2.5 \times 10^{3}$  cells per milliliter each of labeled A. falcatus and unlabeled S. schroe-teri. One hour of feeding on a rotating plankton wheal (1 ray(min) allowed on pinale to fill their wheel (1 rev/min) allowed animals to fill their guts but not produce or reingest significant mounts of feces
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   Daphnia magna were fed a suspension of S. schroeteri. Feces were collected and streaked schroeteri. Feces were collected and streaked onto five sterile plates of 2 percent agar (Difco-Bacto) in distilled water. Five plates of algae from the same culture, but which had not been fed to D. magna, were also made. Cells were visually monitored at ×400. Values in the text are the means  $\pm$  standard deviations for five replicate plates and represent an increase over 24 hours not the accurate for the means resulting the means resulting the means resulting the mean result of the mean result of the means resulting the means resultin 24 hours, not the population parameter r. 12. Equivalent amounts of S. schroeteri in station
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tubes with 10 ml of deficient medium in which D magna swam (two animals per milliliter) for 2 hours before use. To each tube 0.5  $\mu$ c of NaH<sup>14</sup>CO<sub>3</sub> was added and all the tubes were incubated at 20°C for 2 hours in cool white fluorescent lighting (100 microeinstein m<sup>-2</sup> sec<sup>-1</sup>). Carbon-14 fixation rates in deficient and Danhuig-enriched medium ware 554 ± 124 Sec  $^{\circ}$ ). Carbon 14 match rates  $^{\circ}$  12 Daphnia-enriched medium were  $554 \pm 124$ dpm/ml and  $12,596 \pm 982$  dpm/ml, respectively. Porter, Am. Sci., in press

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## **Properties of the Background Global Aerosol** and Their Effects on Climate

Abstract. Properties of the aerosols above Hawaii, Alaska, and the South Pole are derived from sun photometry at several wavelengths. The mass loading of aerosol material is several milligrams per square meter. At the South Pole the mean particle radius is 0.04 micrometer; at Hawaii in March 1975 there was a thin volcanic layer with a mean particle radius of 0.1 micrometer. The aerosols cause heating of the earth-atmosphere system at the poles and cooling at low latitudes.

Minute particles suspended in the earth's atmosphere (the atmospheric aerosols) interact with the atmospheric radiation field and potentially can affect climate by increasing or decreasing the radiation that passes into or out of the earth-atmosphere system (1). The aerosol influence on the heat balance interests scientists mainly because of the possibility that fluctuations in the aerosol concentrations may be responsible for climatic changes. For instance, there is evidence of a correlation between dust layers found in ice cores and the temperature (as determined from oxygen isotopic analyses) at the time the layers were deposited, with dusty periods corresponding to lower temperatures (2)

The earth's aerosol load is known to undergo natural variations due to occasional injections of ash and gas into the stratosphere by volcanic eruptions (3)and to variations in surface sources, such as changes in vegetation or changes in the size of desert areas. Of particular interest, however, is the possibility that the global aerosol load is also significantly altered by human activity, with effects ranging from pollution of the stratosphere by supersonic transports to industrial process pollution. In view of this, it is important to establish a quantitative measure of so-called baseline data on aerosols to use as a reference against which future changes can be gauged.

In this report I discuss the background aerosol parameters at the Mauna Loa Observatory (MLO), Hawaii, and the South Pole, as derived from precision multiwavelength measurements of the total vertical optical atmospheric transmission made by using the sun as a standard

source of irradiance over the wavelength interval  $400 < \lambda < 1000$  nm. The measurements were made at the South Pole in December 1974 and at MLO in March 1975. In addition, selected data acquired in Alaska are discussed.

The total vertical optical extinction of sunlight in the earth's atmosphere is conveniently expressed in terms of an optical depth,  $\tau_{\rm T}$ , and is due to molecular or Rayleigh scattering,  $\tau_{\rm R}$ ; gaseous absorption,  $\tau_{\rm G}$ , and scattering and absorption by the atmospheric aerosols,  $\tau_A$ . The latter term is of interest here and was derived by subtracting tabulated values of  $\tau_{\rm B}$  and values of  $\tau_{\rm G} = \tau O_3 + \tau NO_2(4, 5)$ .

The aerosol optical depth curves (aerosol extinction spectra) as a function of wavelength were used to derive aerosol parameters by referring to curves calculated from Mie theory, assuming that the aerosols (i) are spherical with an index of refraction n = 1.5 + i0.002 and (ii) are distributed by size according to a modified gamma size distribution function defined by the relationship dn/dr = $a r^2 e^{-br}$ , where dn/dr is the number density of aerosol particles and r is the particle radius (6). With appropriate values chosen for the coefficients a and b, the modified gamma size distribution function defined by the relationship dn/dr = $a r^2 e^{-br}$ , where dn/dr is the number density of aerosol particles and r is the particle radius (6). With appropriate values chosen for the coefficients a and b, the modified gamma distribution function can closely simulate actual tropospheric or stratospheric aerosol size distributions derived from direct sampling techniques. Although the fit of the modified gamma distribution function may not always be perfect, when a and b are properly cho-