

Marine Ecosystem Studies of Today and Tomorrow with emphasis on the western North Pacific Ocean.

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At present, the tentative goal of global environmental studies is to provide clear-cut scientific scenarios to solve various kinds of environmental problems within the next 50 to 100 years under the reliable data base and simulation studies. Integrative studies involving observation, modeling and simulation may be connected to social management systems of the Plan-Do-Check-Action.

PART 1 . What kinds of ecosystem models are we developing?

PART 2. I . What is Stable Isotope techniques ?

Distributions of $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ - $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ in marine ecosystems

ii. Application of SI techniques in future studies.

- **Biome or Vegetation types or ISOSCAPE (Isotope Landscape)**
 - **L. Baikal & W. N. Pacific : Fish Scale δ exhibits Synchronous Oscillation**
- **AMINO ACID Trophic Level \rightarrow MEMURO.FISH + ECOSIM**
 - **Boreal area. \rightarrow Growth rate (μ) could be estimated from $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ (phyto-)**

Our Ecosystem Change Program, FRCGC has been developing several kinds of global ecosystem simulation models as indicated in this slide.

Terrestrial Ecosystem (30 Vegetation Types)

- Sim-CYCLE for global carbon dynamics,
- Sim-CYCLE-MATSIRO-AGCM
- Spatially Explicit Individual Based
- Dynamic Global Vegetation Model

Marine Ecosystem (No Biome)

- NEMURO model for a plankton dynamics
- NEMURO.FISH mode I
- Oceanic GCM for carbon dynamics (OFES)

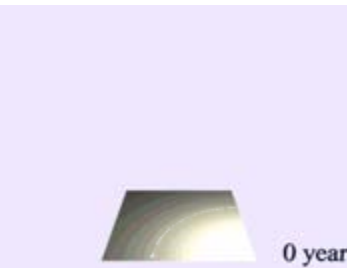
Remote sensing for PAR, NDVI, 3D-forest model
and pCO2 to refine above models in two systems.

What is our Research Purposes ?

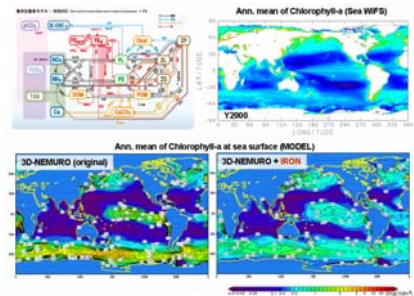
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Sim-CYCLE Sim-CYCLE, 2001- -> VISIT (Sim-CYCLE-MATSIRO-AGCM)
Simulation model of Carbon cYCLE in Land Ecosystems

- 1) 30 min. => 5 min. => 1 km x 1 km; 3 hrs PALX365 days
- 2) 3°C Critical temperature for the feedback of boreal soil organic matter

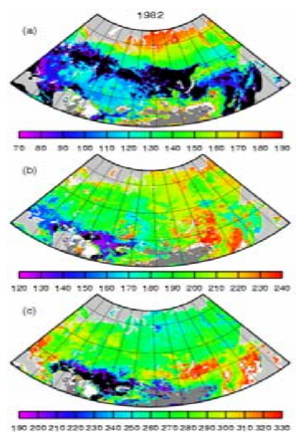


SEIB-DGVM



Interannual change of daily

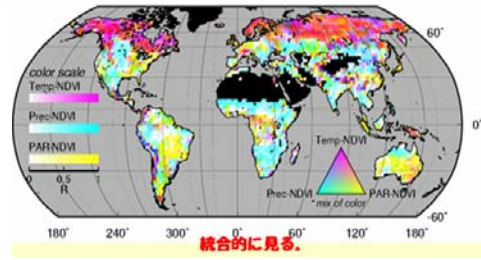
NDVI data.



- (a) Greenup date (NDVI exceeds 0.2)
- (b) Mature date (annual maximum NDVI)
- (c) Senescence date (NDVI drops below 0.2)



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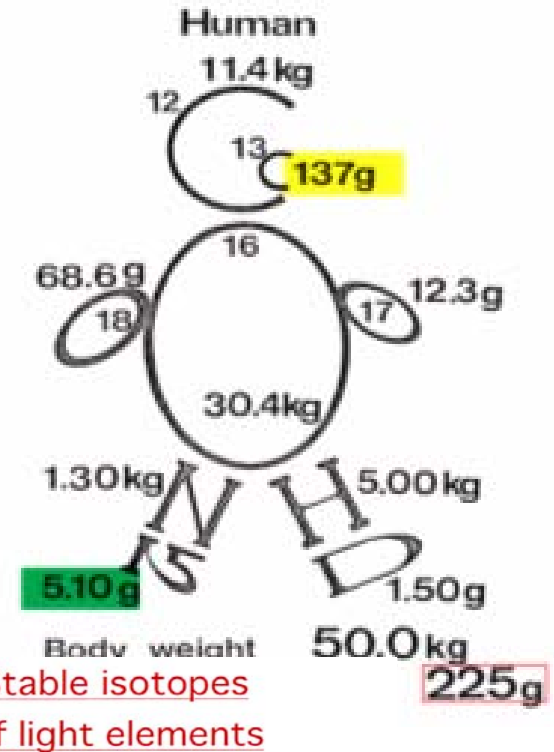


PAR, Temp. Precip.

PART 2. Nitrogen and carbon isotope ratios in the biosphere

– From molecule to ecosystem

- 1) What is the SI method ?
- 2) Distribution in plant kingdom.
- 3) Isotopic map and human food web analysis.
- 4) Possible application for assessing the ecosystem models



Definition of parameters

$$\delta_{\text{‰}} = \left[\frac{R_{\text{sample}}}{R_{\text{standard}}} - 1 \right] \times 1000$$

R : $^{15}\text{N}/^{14}\text{N}$ or $^{13}\text{C}/^{12}\text{C}$

standard : N_2 air or PDB

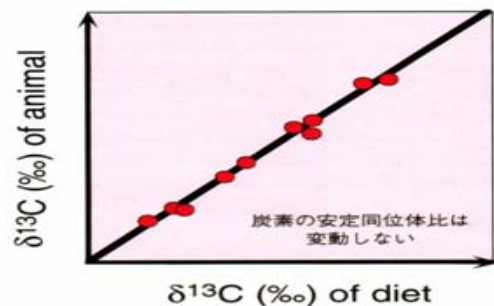
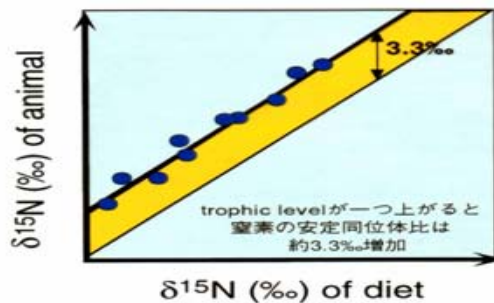
		atom. %	weight%
Hydrogen H	^1_1H	99.9851	99.97023
	^2_1D	0.0149	0.02977
Carbon C	$^{12}_6\text{C}$	98.89	98.79825
	$^{13}_6\text{C}$	1.11	1.20175
Nitrogen N	$^{14}_7\text{N}$	99.635	99.60915
	$^{15}_7\text{N}$	0.365	0.39085
Oxygen O	$^{16}_8\text{O}$	99.763	99.736
	$^{17}_8\text{O}$	0.0372	0.03953
	$^{18}_8\text{O}$	0.1995	0.2245

Empirical law of SI distribution

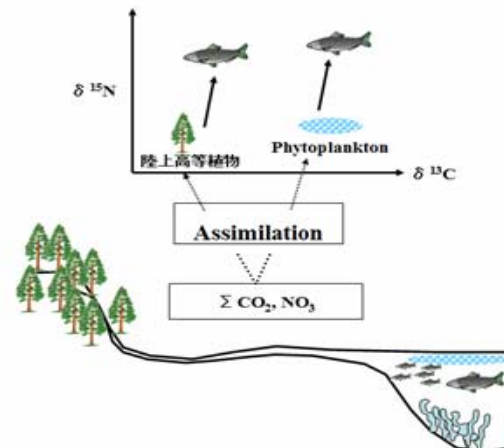
- 1) Plant $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ is determined by the dynamics of CO_2 fixation during photosynthesis.
C3 & C4 plant exhibit different ^{13}C content.
- 2) Food chain
$$\delta^{15}\text{N}(\text{animal}) = 3.3 (\text{TL} - 1) + \delta^{15}\text{N}(\text{plant})$$

TL: Trophic level
- 3) Increase in ^{15}N in an ecosystem is caused by evaporation of NH_3 and denitrification ($\text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{N}_2$).

Trophic effect during a feeding process

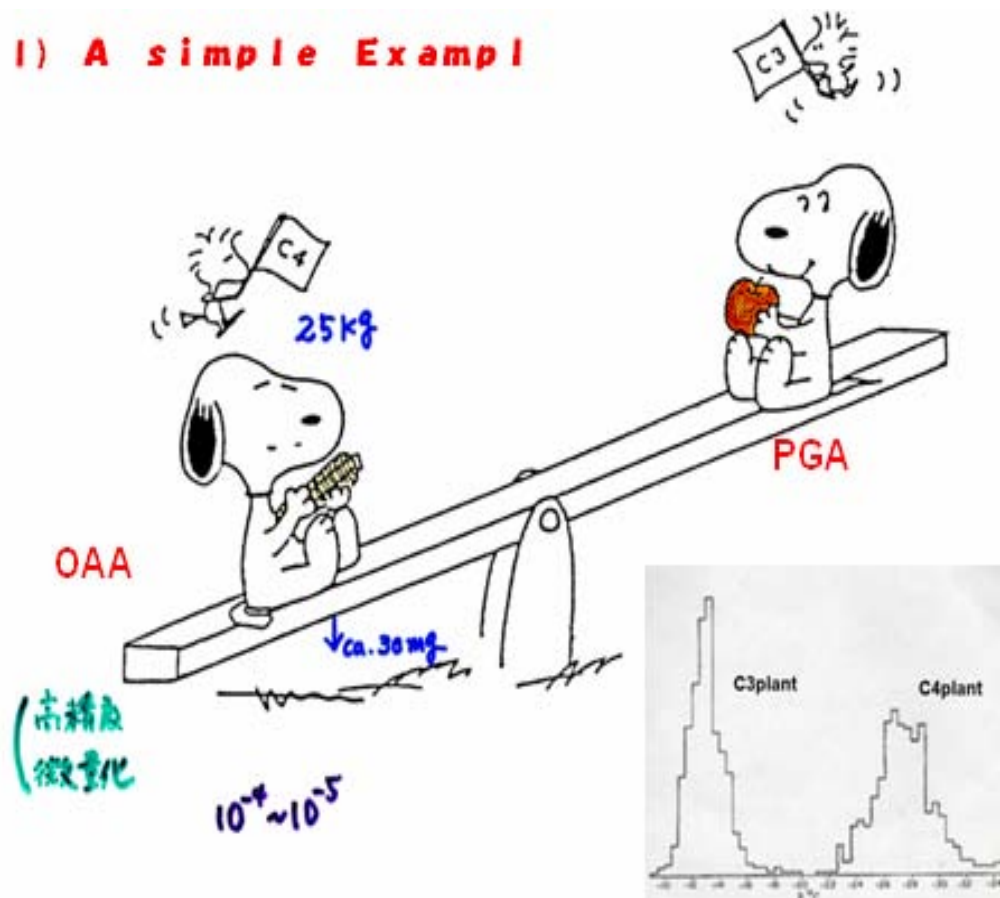


SI food web model in the watershed



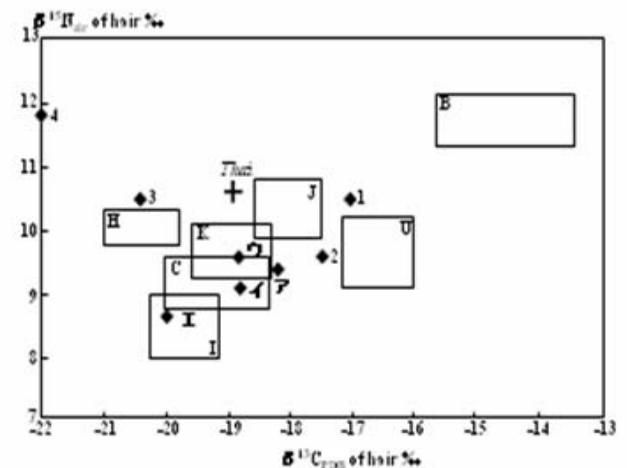
A schematic illustration for analysis of a food web by a stable isotopic method.

1) A simple Example



Examples of human Food habit

$\delta^{15}\text{N}$ - $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ SI-map of human hair

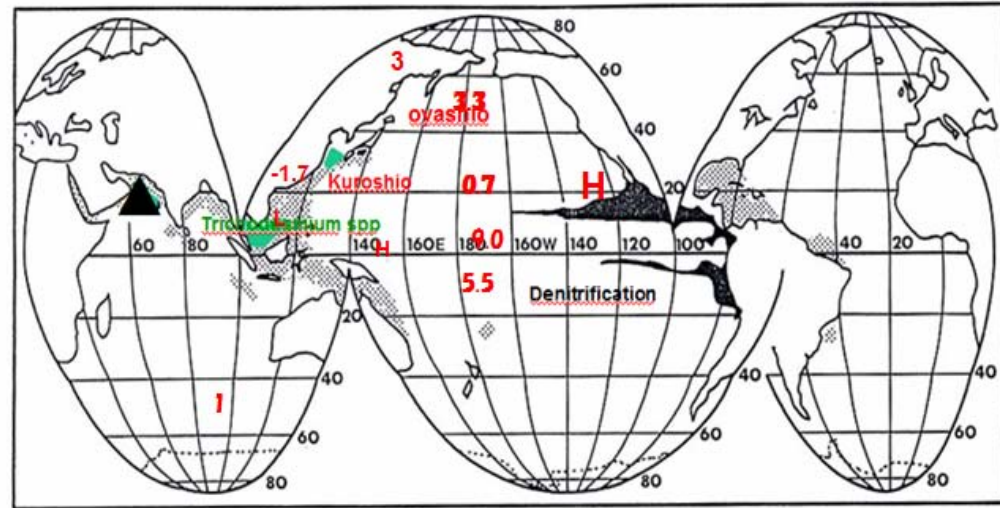
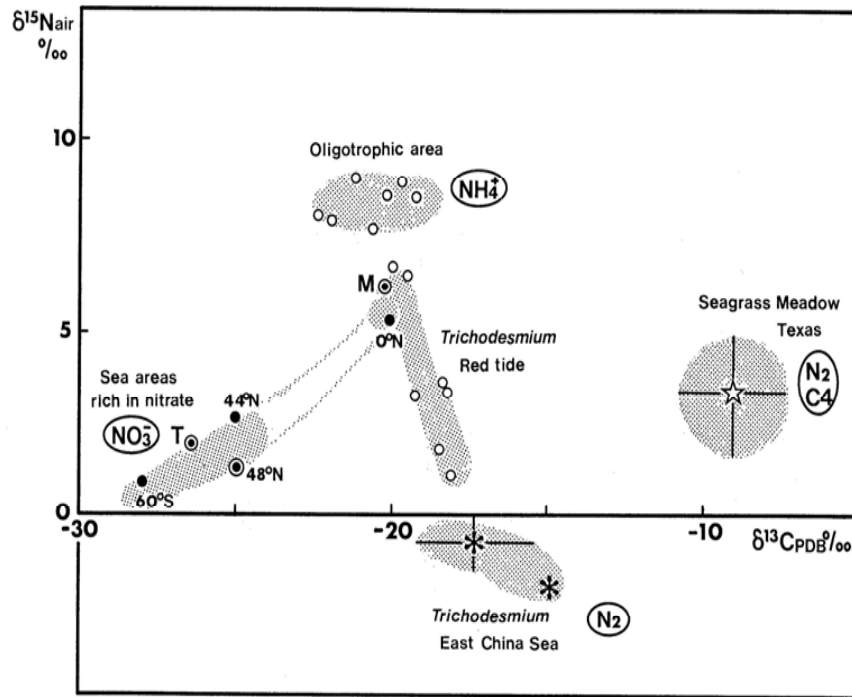


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ク 130年頃の江戸の人
ケ タイナチワ村の人
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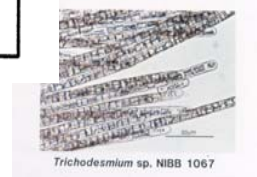
TOPICS

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Topic 1. Possible BIOME on the $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ - ^{13}C map



Trichodesmium



Diatom 1permil,
-25permil

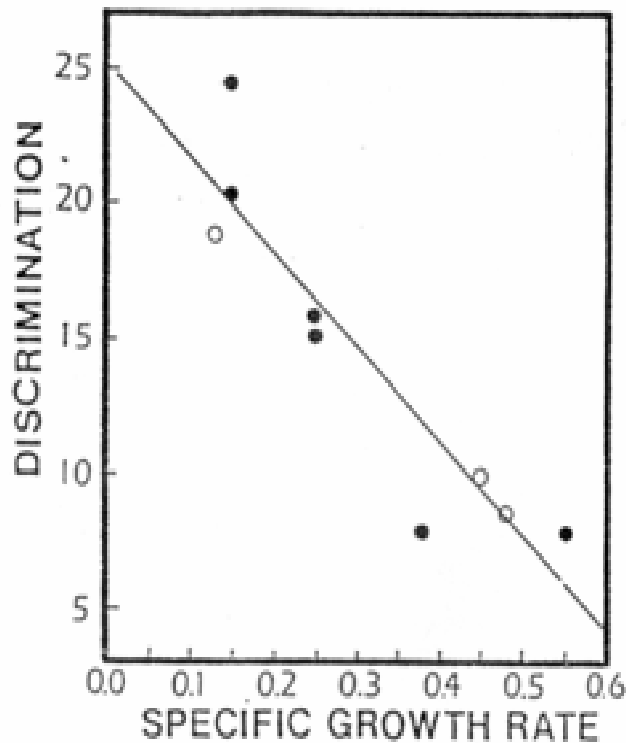
Coccolithophorids
Pico-phytoplankton
6<permil, -20permil



-2 permil
-13 permil

$$\alpha = 1.002$$

$\delta^{15}\text{N}, \delta^{13}\text{C}$ (μ) can inform a growth rate constant of phytoplankton !



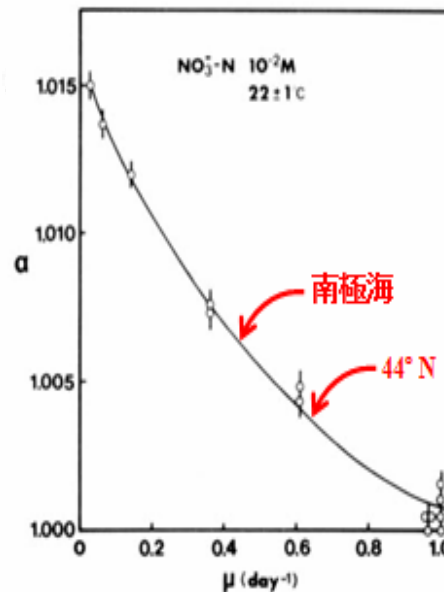
Relationship between carbon isotope discrimination and the specific growth rate (μ) in green alga *Chlamydomonas reinhardtii* Dangeard (IAM C-238).

(●): Nitrate-limited condition.

(○): Light-limited condition.

Linear regression corresponds to:

$$\Delta\delta^{13}\text{C} = -35.4 \times \mu + 25.3 \quad (r = -0.92).$$



Relationship between the nitrogen-isotope fractionation factor in nitrate assimilation (α) and growth constant (μ) of *Phaeodactylum tricornutum*. (From Wada, E. and Hattori, A., *Geomicrobiol. J.*, 1, 97, 1978. With permission.)

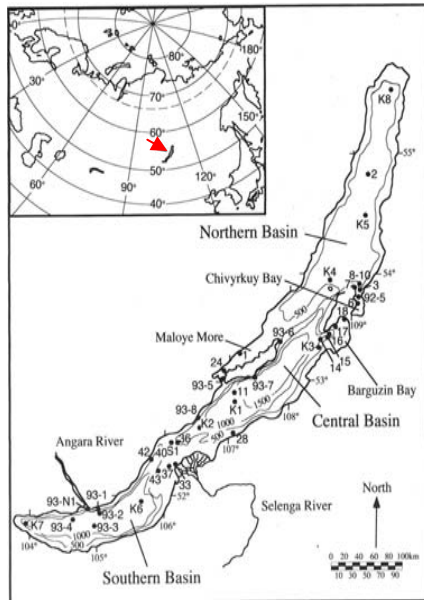
$N = N_0 e^{\mu t}$

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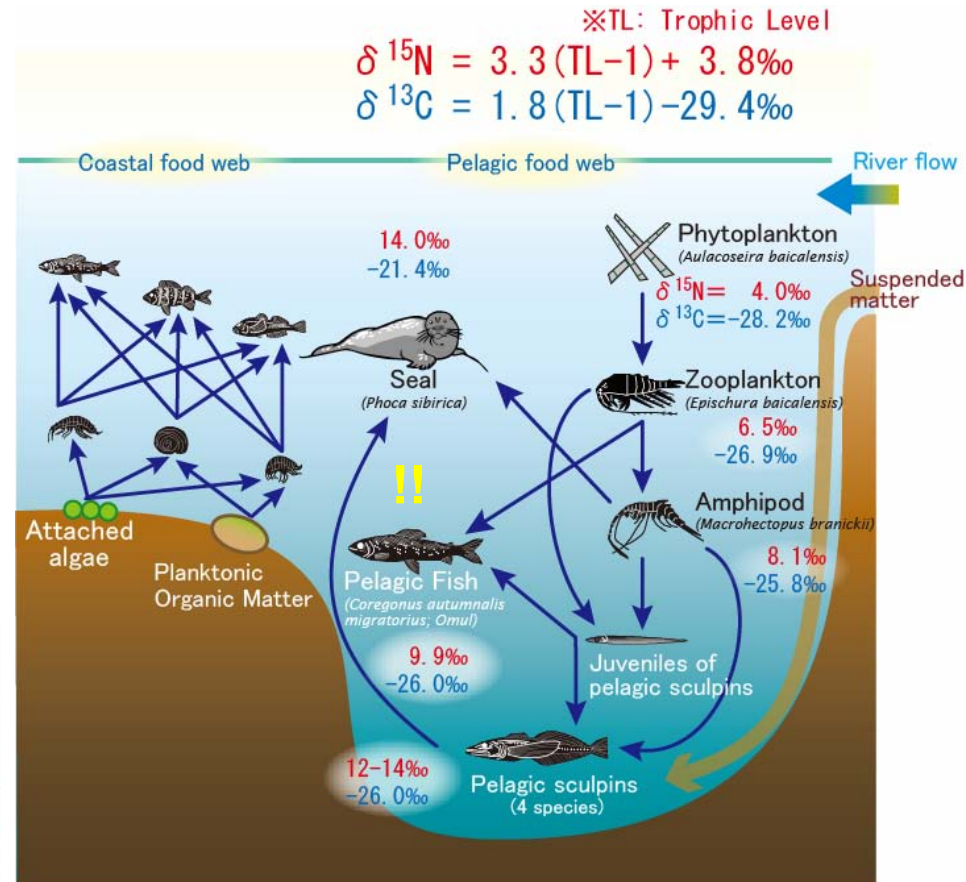
0.5 $\tau = 1.5$

$N_t = N_0 \exp(\mu t)$ The higher the algal growth rate, the higher the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ value.

Topic 2. Does synchronous oscillation of biological activities occur between L. Baikal and marine ecosystems in the western North Pacific ? YES !

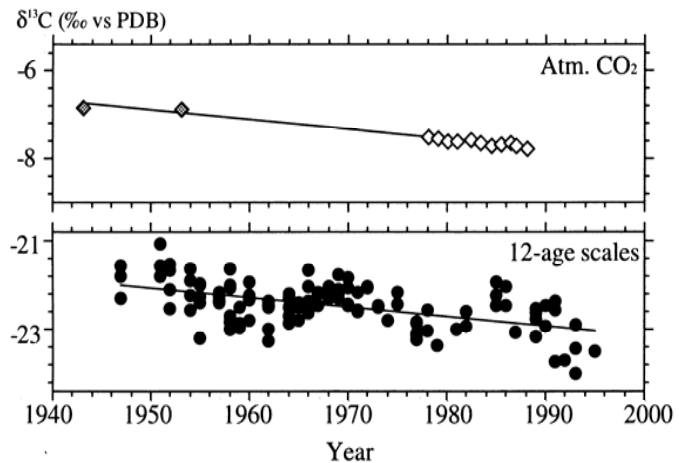
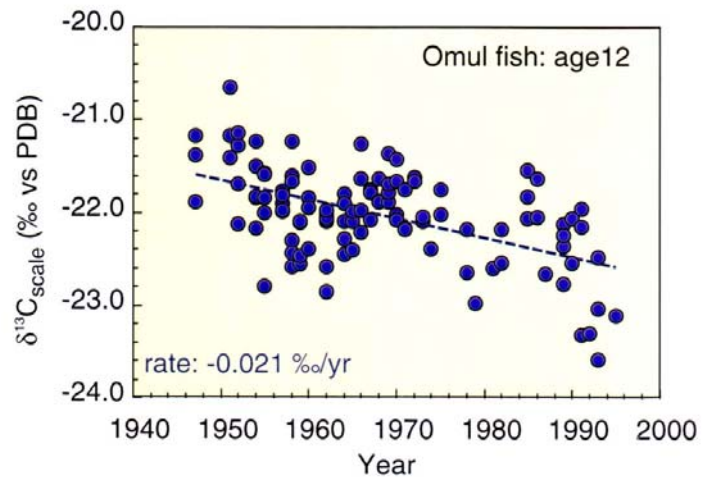


Area : 31500 km²
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 Mean 740 m

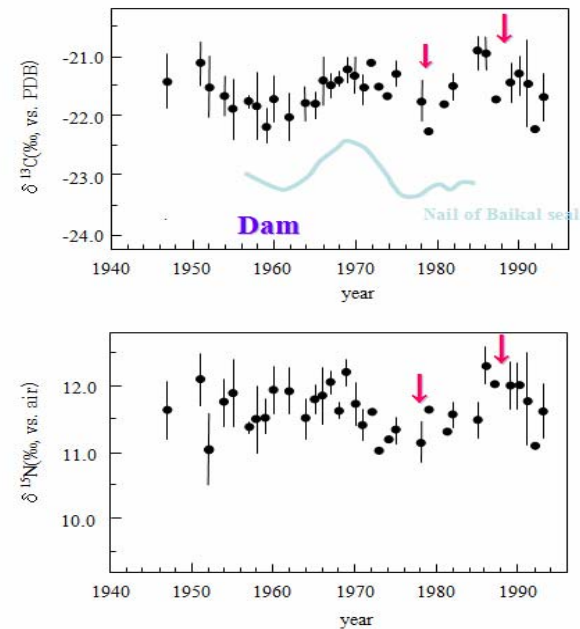
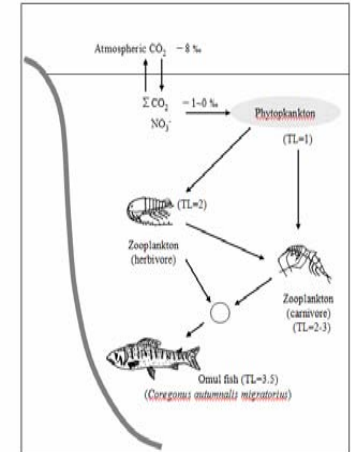


Schematic illustration of Lake Baikal food webs

$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ records of Omul scale specimens
from Lake Baikal: 1947-1995



Decrease in $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ is similar.



Annual variations of $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ in omul scale.
Correction for the change in $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ of atmospheric CO₂ was made for $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ value of omul scale.

Topic 3. Amino acid TL

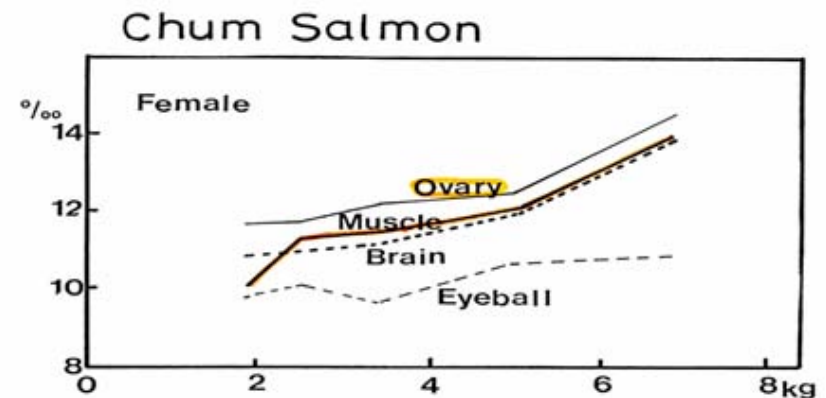
Chikaraishi et al. suggested that glutamic acid is systematically enriched in ^{15}N toward the upper levels of the food chain ($8.0 \pm 1.2\text{‰}$ at each trophic step) as a result of metabolic processes; in contrast, phenylalanine shows little enrichment in ^{15}N because of the absence of nitrogen-involving reactions in its dominant metabolic processes.

Therefore, trophic level is estimated based on the $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values of glutamic acid and phenylalanine via the following equation, termed the “Amino acid Trophic Level (ATL):”

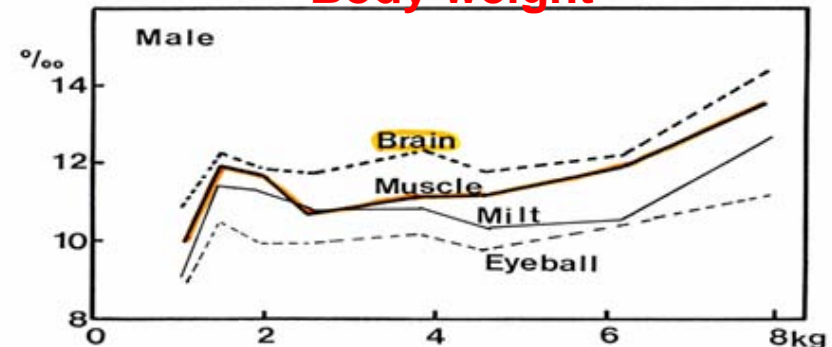
→ MEMURO.FISH –saury and herring + ECOSIM

where $\delta^{15}\text{N}_{\text{Glu}}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}_{\text{Phe}}$ are the nitrogen isotopic compositions of glutamic acid and phenylalanine, respectively.

(submitted to *Limnology and Oceanography*
Yuichiro Kashiya¹, Nanako O. Ogawa¹
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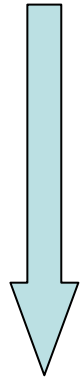
Body weight



Topic 4. Possible Idea !!

$\delta^{15}\text{N}$, $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ (μ) can inform a growth rate constant of phytoplankton !

Estimation of SST, chlorophyll *a*,
Nitrate by using satellite data
(T.Saino, Sasaoka et al.)



μ could be estimated
by $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ of
phytoplankton
or
Possibly SST

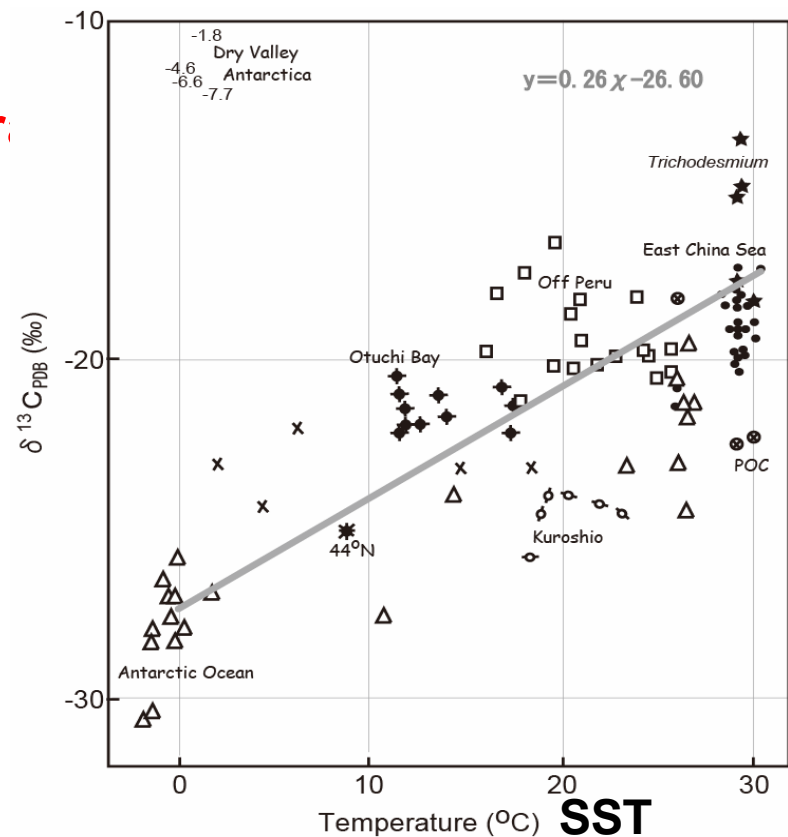


Daily PP



**Dynamics
of plankton
biomass
at intervals
of Day-
Night cycle**

Validation is conducted by using a
new buoy system for NPP (In situ
quantum irradiance spectra)
in Euphotic Zone. **T.Saino**



C o n c l u s i o n !

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Integrative studies of the observation, modeling and simulation are possibly connected to social management systems of the Plan-Do-Check-Action as indicated .

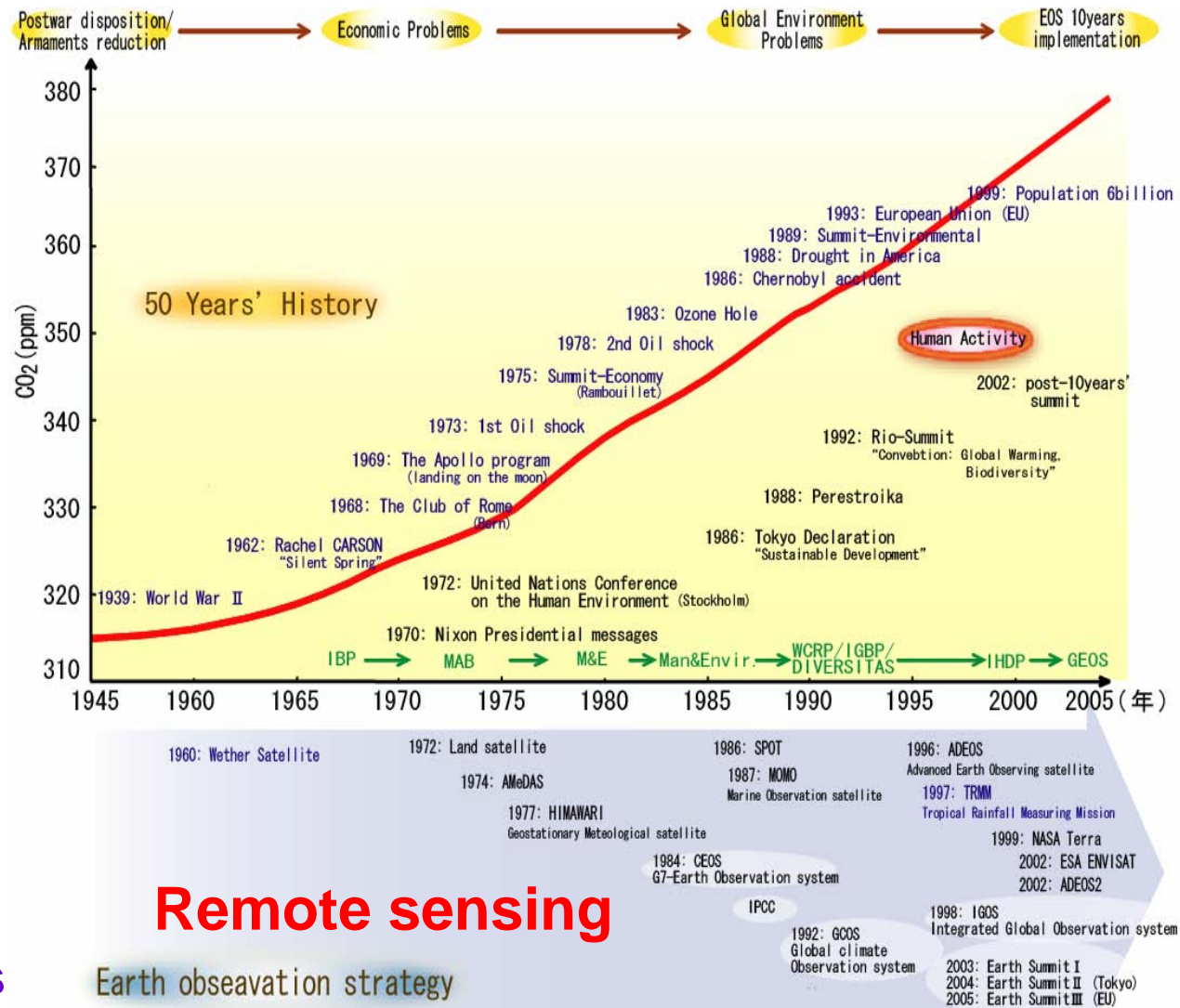


Introduction

50 years' progress of ecosystem

studies is summarized with emphasis on the various kinds of international cooperative research programs under global environmental issues. These programs are IBP, MAB, IGBP, DIVERSITAS and HDP.

At the beginning of 21st century, integration of WCRP, IGBP and IHDP are highly required to provide significant practical solution and scenarios to social sciences and public involvement.



PART 1

Introduction of our Program

Several process model have been integrated to several dynamic models of biophilic elements in the fields of biogeochemistry and ecosystem ecology. Based on these data base ,our Ecosystem Change Research Program, FRCGC has been developing several kinds of global ecosystem models as indicated in the following slides.



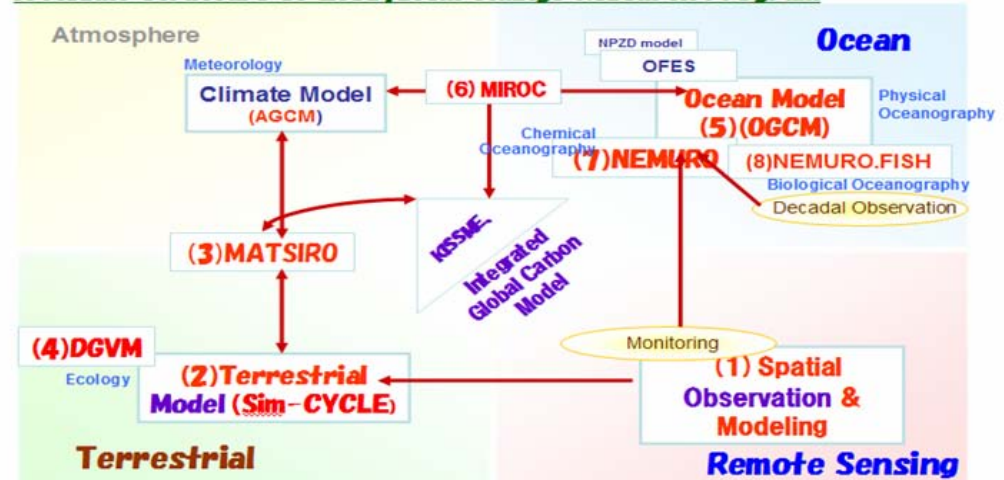
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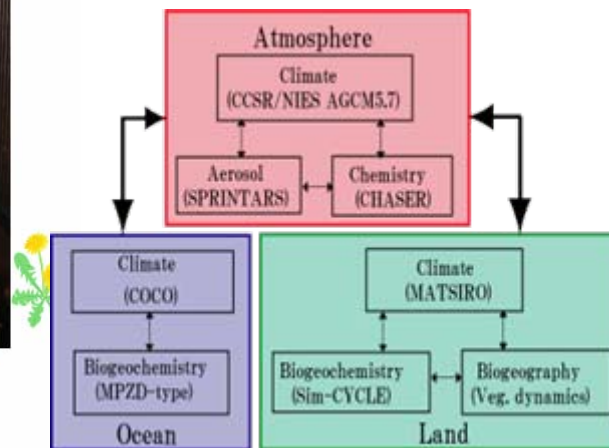
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A Mosaic Structure of Ecosystem Change Research Program

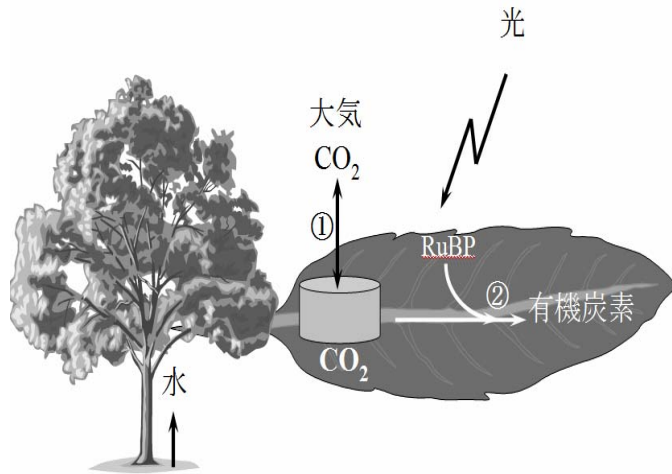


Our purpose : Development of Global Carbon Model

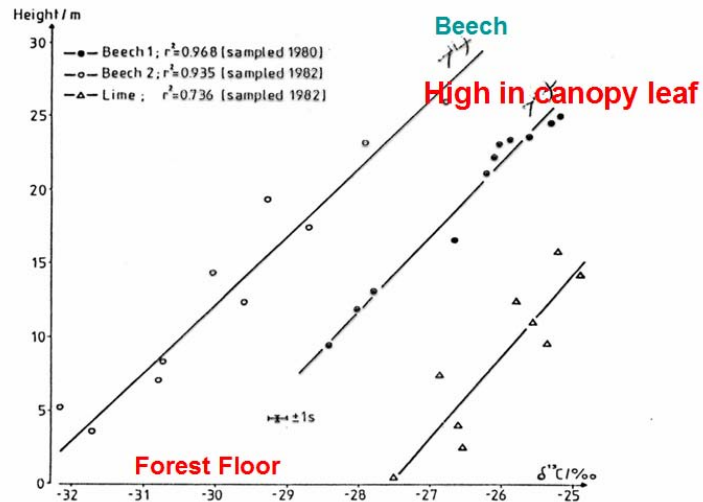


Comprehensive ESM (MIROC·KISSME)· An integrated Earth system model (ESM) has been developed by coupling biogeochemical sub-system models to an AOGCM (MIROC). A result from the ESM contributed to the IPCC AR4 (2007) for the assessment of feedbacks between climate change and carbon cycle.

Topic 4. $\delta^{15}\text{N}$, $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ can provide growth rate constant of phytoplankton

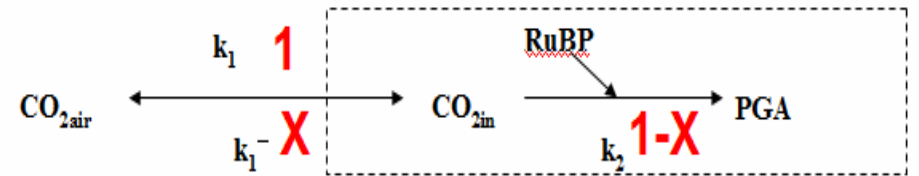


光合成炭酸固定の炭素同位体分別 (C3植物の例)



$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of leaf material from different heights. Two beeches of a forest and a solitary standing lime have been analyzed

The variation of $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ between forest height levels.



$$\frac{d[\text{CO}_{2\text{in}}]}{dt} = k_1[\text{CO}_{\text{air}}] - (k_1^- + k_2)[\text{CO}_{2\text{in}}] = 0 \quad (\text{Steady State})$$

$$[\text{CO}_{2\text{in}}] = \frac{k_1}{k_1^- + k_2} [\text{CO}_{2\text{air}}] \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\alpha \text{ CO}_2 \rightarrow \text{PGA} = 1 + \Delta k_1 + (\Delta k_2 - \Delta k_1^-)X \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$[\text{CO}_2]_{\text{air}} = 340\text{ppm}$$

$$X = \frac{k_1^-}{k_1^- + k_2} = \frac{[\text{CO}_{2\text{in}}]}{[\text{CO}_{2\text{air}}]}, \quad \Delta k_1 = \frac{^{12}\text{k}}{^{13}\text{k}} - 1, \quad k_1 = k_1^-$$

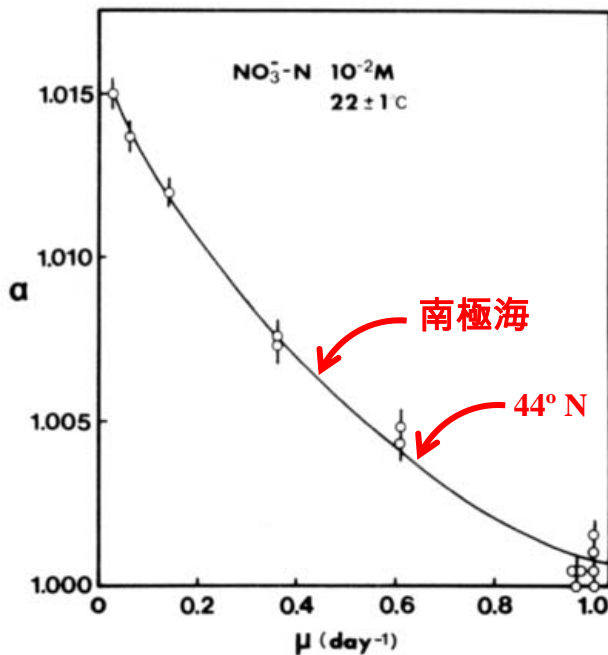
$$\Delta k_1^+ = \Delta k_1^- = 0.0044, \quad \Delta k_2 = 0.030$$

In case we can measure the difference in $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ between $\text{CO}_{2\text{air}}$ and plant leaf ($\alpha \text{ CO}_2 \rightarrow \text{PGA}$), we can calculate the value X. Then $[\text{CO}_{2\text{in}}]$ can be also calculated by using the X in Equation ①.

$$\delta^{13}\text{C CO}_{2\text{air}} = -7\text{‰}, \quad [\text{CO}_{2\text{air}}] = 340\text{ppm}$$

Plant	α	X	$\text{PCO}_{2\text{in}}$	$\delta^{13}\text{C CO}_{2\text{in}}$
-27	1.020	0.61	201	3‰
-20	1.013	0.34	111	10‰
-37	1.030	1.0	330	-7‰
-11	1.004	0	0	-11‰

Reaction dynamics in the photosynthetic CO_2 -fixation by C3 plants



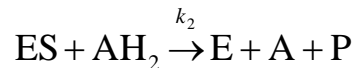
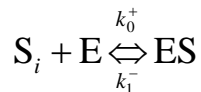
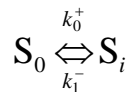
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Steady state kinetics



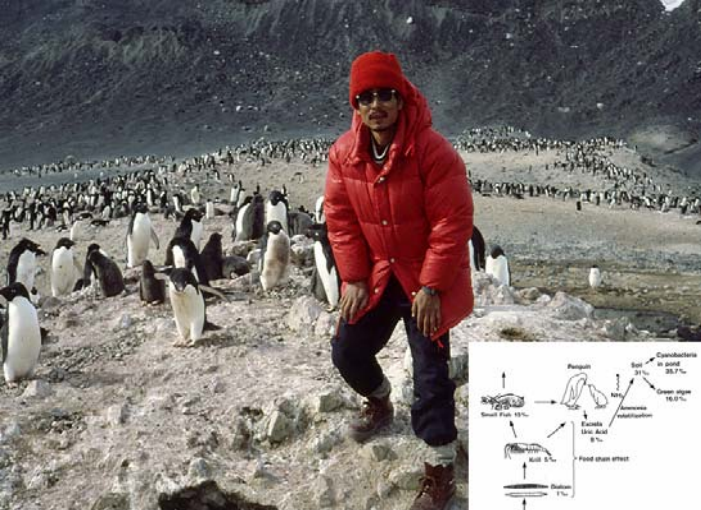
$$\alpha = 1 + \Delta k_0^+ + (\Delta k_0^+ - \Delta k_0^-)X + (\Delta k_0^+ - \Delta k_0^-)XY,$$

where

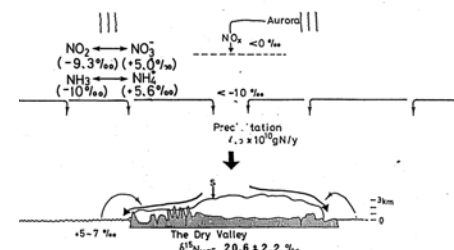
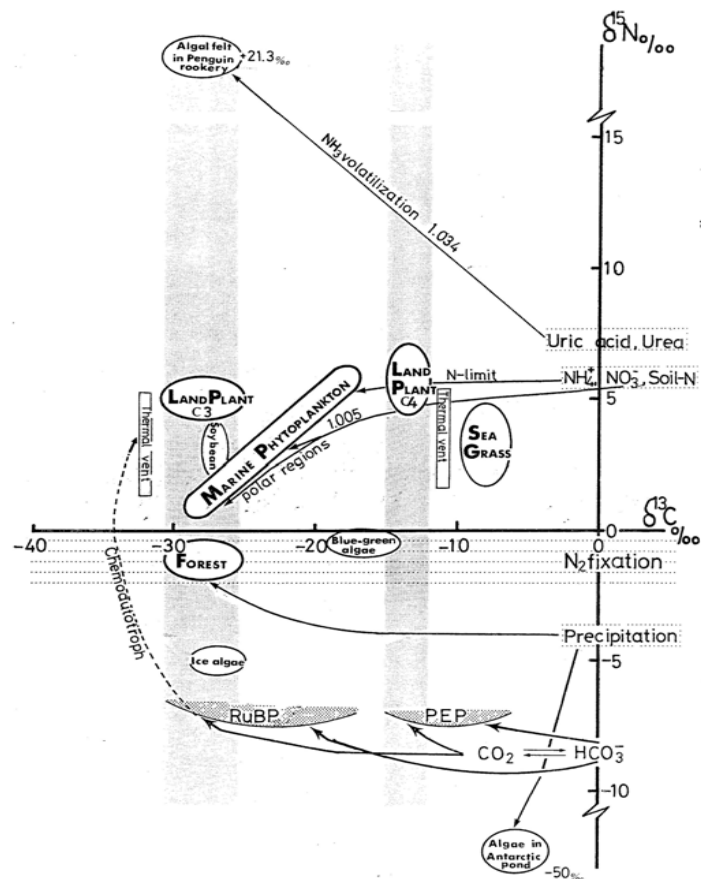
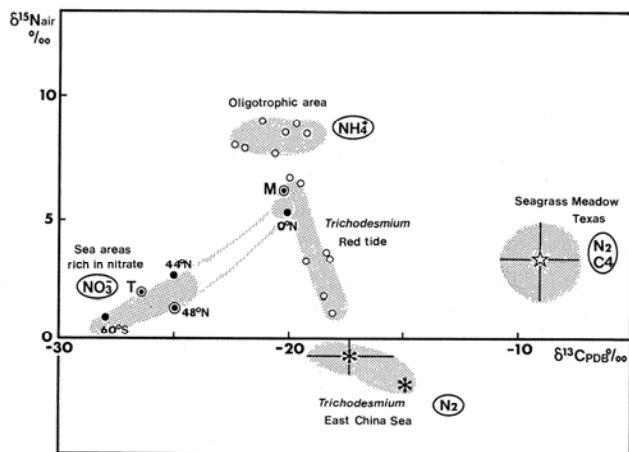
$$\Delta k = k_{14}/k_{15} - 1, X = \frac{k_0^- [Si]}{k_0^+ [So]} \text{ and } Y = \frac{k_1^- [ES]}{k_1^+ [Si][E]}$$

The cleavage of the N-O bond in nitrate and the transport of nitrate across the cell membrane might from, respectively, primary and secondary key steps where nitrogen isotope fractionation takes place. Then Equation 69 reduces to

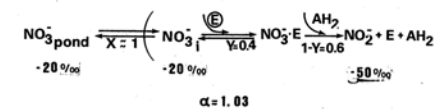
$$(\alpha - 1) = \Delta k_0^+ + (\Delta k_2 Y - \Delta k_0^-)X$$



The highest



Blue-green algae at saline ponds, Labyrinth



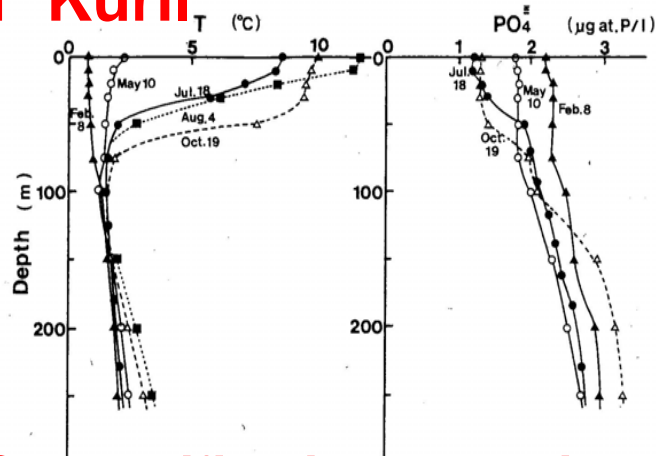
The lowest



$\delta^{15}\text{N}$ - $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ SI-map
of plants

南極ドライバレー、ヴァンダ湖、底は30℃程度！

1) Off Kuril



2) SST stratification starts in May.

FIGURE 1. Seasonal variations of vertical profiles of both temperature and phosphate in seawater in the Oyashio area off the Kuril Islands, 1971. (From Wada, E., *Isotope Marine Chemistry*, Goldberg, E. D., et al., Eds., Uchida-Rohkakuho, Tokyo, 1980, 375. With permission.)

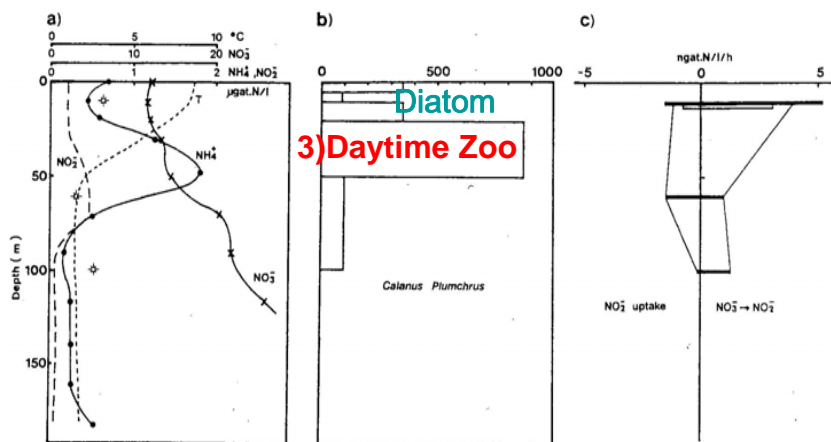
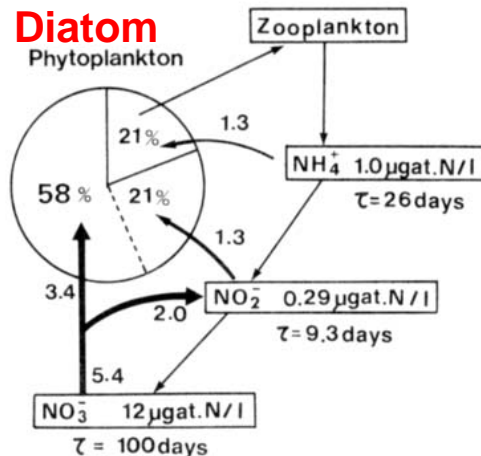
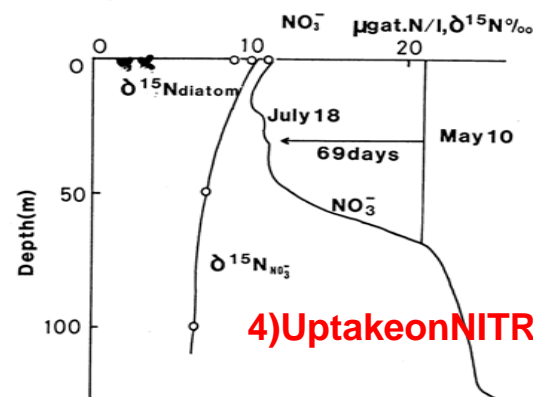


FIGURE 2. (a) Vertical profiles of temperature, nitrate, nitrite, and ammonium. (b) Average standing stock of *Calanus plumchirus*. (c) Production and consumption of nitrite. Taken at 44°N and 154°E, July 22, 1971. (From Hattori, A., Cruise Report of KH-71-3, Ocean Research Institute, University of Tokyo, 1983, and Miyasaki, T., et al., *Mar. Sci. Comm.*, 1, 381, 1975. With permission.)



Nitrogen fluxes in the surface water in the Oyashio area off the Kuril Island (44°N, 154°E) in the summer of 1971. Fluxes are estimated from data obtained by a ^{15}N tracer experiment and given in ng at. N/l/h. τ denotes the residence time of each component. (From Wada, E. and Hattori, A., unpublished data.)

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Euphotic zone was regarded as a semiclosed system:

$$D \frac{\partial^2 [\text{NO}_3^-]}{\partial z^2} - W \frac{\partial [\text{NO}_3^-]}{\partial z} \ll \text{NO}_3^- \text{ uptake}$$

$$a_{\text{NO}_3^- \rightarrow \text{diatom}} = 1.0056$$