土壤水分亏缺下棉花叶片光破坏防御机制研究进展

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摘要: 干旱是影响植物生长发育和产量形成的重要环境因素。为了适应干旱环境, 植物形成了一系列保护光合机构免受损伤的光破坏防御机制。棉花(Gossypium spp.)抗旱性较强, 即使在中度土壤水分亏缺条件下光合机构也未产生慢性光抑制现象。本文简要地综述了土壤水分亏缺对棉花叶片碳同化能力的影响, 以及水分亏缺条件下棉花叶片的光抑制情况; 阐明 了水分亏缺下棉花叶片的光破坏防御机制, 并对大田棉花适应土壤水分亏缺的研究提出了展望。 关键词: 水分亏缺; 棉花; 光抑制; 光保护

水分亏缺是限制作物生长发育和产量形成的 最主要的非生物胁迫因子(Boyer 1982; Flexas等 2006; Parent等2015)。水分亏缺条件下, 植物CO。 同化能力下降,光合色素吸收的光能就会超过碳 同化的利用能力,进而导致过剩光能的产生(Kornyeyev等2005; Sanda等2011)。如果这些过剩光能 不能及时有效地耗散,光合电子链将过度还原,将 电子传递给氧或者邻近分子导致活性氧(reactive oxygen species, ROS)或有毒自由基的产生, 对光合 机构产生光氧化伤害(Asada 1999; Krieger-Liszkay 等2008; Deng等2014)。为了避免光合机构遭受潜 在的氧化胁迫,植物启动了许多光破坏防御机制 以维持光能吸收与利用之间的平衡关系。一方面, 植物可通过形态特征的变化来避免过剩光能的吸 收,比如叶片运动(Pastenes等2005; Zhang等2010; Carmo-Silva等2012)和叶绿体运动(Kasahara等 2002);同时,植物也通过相应的代谢过程来耗散过 剩的光能,如热耗散(Demmig-Adams和Adams 1996; Song等2011)、光呼吸(Osmond 1981; Foyer等2009; Huang等2014)、水水循环(Asada 1999; Miyake和Yokota 2000; Yi等2014)、环式电子传递(Heber和 Walker 1992; Huang等2012, 2015)、光破坏的修复 (Chow和Aro 2005; Takahashi和Badger 2011)等。

棉花(Gossypium spp.)是起源于热带亚热带的 一种纤维和油料作物,广泛种植于70多个国家,主 要有中国、美国、印度、乌兹别克斯坦、埃及等, 其中中国是世界上最大的棉花生产国和消费国。 美国农业部统计数据显示,2015年世界棉花产量为 1.014亿包(每包重量约为217.7 kg),棉花消费1.096 亿包,其中,中国棉花产量达到0.238亿包,消费 0.32亿包,分别占世界棉花总产量和总消费量的 23.5%和29.2%。棉花是抗旱性较强的作物(Turner 等1986; Petersen等1992; Kitao和Lei 2007; Yi等 2016b),即使在中度水分亏缺条件下也未导致慢性 光抑制的发生(Yi等2014, 2016a, 2016b)。大量研 究表明水分亏缺条件下棉花叶片启动了多种光破 坏防御机制,有效避免了光合机构光抑制的发生 (Björkman和Schäfer 1989; Massacci等2008; 张亚黎 等2008; Yi等2014; Singh等2014, 2015)。基于此, 本文主要综述了棉花田间条件下叶片适应土壤水 分亏缺的光破坏防御机制。

1 水分亏缺对棉花叶片碳同化能力的影响

光合作用是决定作物产量形成的重要生理过 程,但对水分亏缺较为敏感。植物叶片的光合速率 随土壤相对含水量以及叶片水势的降低而下降 (Lawlor 2002)。研究表明, 在棉花叶片水势为-0.85 MPa时, 叶片的最大光合速率约为42 μ mol·m⁻²·s⁻¹; 当叶片水势为-1.77 MPa时,光饱和速率约为18 µmol·m⁻²·s⁻¹ (Yi等2016a)。水分亏缺导致光合速率 降低的原因主要有两个方面: 一是水分亏缺导致 气孔关闭, CO₂供应受限(Cornic和Massacci 1996; Flexas等2006; Chaves等2009); 二是叶肉细胞CO₂ 扩散阻力增大,光合酶类物质活性下降,1,5-二磷 酸核酮糖(ribulose-1,5-bisphospate, RuBP)再生受阻 等(Lawlor和Cornic 2002)。大量研究表明,土壤水分 亏缺显著降低了棉花叶片的气孔导度(Wullschleger 和Oosterhuis 1990; Inamullah和Isoda 2005a; Kitao 和Lei 2007; Chastain等2014; Yi等2014, 2016a,

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2016b), 但田间棉花叶片气孔导度对土壤水分亏缺 的响应没有其他物种或者温室棉花那么敏感,即 使在低叶片水势条件下,棉花叶片的气孔也未完 全关闭(Jordan和Ritchie 1971; Ackerson等1977)。 Hu等(2013a)研究表明,中度水分亏缺条件下棉花 叶片的1,5-二磷酸核酮糖羧化/加氧酶(ribulose-1,5-bisphosphate carboxylase/oxygenase, RuBisCO) 总量和活性显著降低。Carmo-Silva等(2012)研究 报道田间棉花植株同时受热和水分胁迫时, CO,浓 度的降低以及RuBisCO的失活限制了棉花叶片的 光合作用。此外, Ennahli和Earl (2005)研究表明中 度和重度水分亏缺条件下,棉花叶片RuBisCO的羧 化速率以及羧化位点的CO₂浓度显著降低,这说明 中度和重度水分亏缺条件下棉花叶片的光合作用 同时受到气孔和非气孔限制(Pallas等1967; Turner 等1986; Genty等1987; Faver等1996; Lacape等1998; Leidi等1999)。目前研究者一致认为气孔和非气孔 限制对光合作用的影响取决于水分亏缺的程度 (Flexas和Medrano 2002a; Lawlor和Cornic 2002; Chaves等2002)。

2 水分亏缺对棉花叶片光抑制的影响

光是绿色植物进行光合作用的必要能源,光 不足则植物不能顺利进行光合作用,然而当植物 光合色素吸收过剩的光能时又会发生光合效率和 光合功能的降低,这种现象称为光抑制(Powles 1984; Takahashi和Badger 2011)。强光是导致光抑 制发生的直接因素,干旱等逆境环境可通过减少 植物对光能的利用、降低植物光饱和点而加剧光 抑制(Lawlor 1995; Flexas和Medrano 2002a; Ma等 2006)。一般认为光系统II (photosystem II, PSII)是 光抑制发生的原初位点和主要作用部位(Aro等 1993a; Anderson等1998; Takahashi和Badger 2011)。PSII的光抑制包括慢性光抑制和动态光抑 制(Osmond 1994),前者可导致PSII最大光化学量 子效率(F_v/F_m)下降,与PSII反应中心D1蛋白的净损 失有关,后者为可快速修复的PSII量子效率(Φ_{PSII})的 光保护性下调。前人研究结果表明,水分亏缺条件 下,棉花叶片光合电子传递速率(electron transport rate, ETR)和 *P*_{PSII} 有轻微的上调(Pettigrew 2004; Kitao和Lei 2007; Massacci等2008; Zhang等2011), 也有研究表明ETR和 \$\varphi_{PSII}稳定不变(张亚黎等2008; Snider等2013, 2014; Chastain等2014; Yi等2016a)或 者ETR和 Ppsu 降低的(Ennahli和Earl 2005; Inamullah 和Isoda 2005b; Carmo-Silva等2012; Yi等2016a)。 水分亏缺导致棉花叶片ETR和 ϕ_{PSII} 稳定不变、轻 微上升或者下降与水分亏缺强度、不同生长环境 以及不同材料等密切相关。正常条件下,植物叶 片的F_v/F_m变化较小,基本维持在0.83 (Björkman和 Demmig 1987; 张守仁1999)。前人研究表明植物 叶片的F_v/F_m较稳定,一定水分亏缺范围内不受叶 片水分状况的影响,但重度或长期水分亏缺极易 导致植物叶片发生慢性光抑制,例如,非灌溉葡萄 (Vitis vinifera)叶片的F_v/F_m维持在0.72~0.78之间(Flexas等1998)。小麦(Triticum aestivum)叶片PSII光 化学活性和蛋白代谢未受轻度水分亏缺的影响, 但当叶片水势下降到-1.8 MPa时, PSII反应中心的 D1和D2蛋白发生降解(He等1995)。然而,大量研 究表明,棉花叶片PSII活性对水分亏缺不敏感 (Genty等1987; Kitao和Lei 2007; 张亚黎等2008; Massacci等2008; Zhang等2010; Chastain等2014; Snider等2015; Yi等2014, 2016a, 2016b)。张亚黎等 (2008)研究发现不同水分亏缺条件下,棉花叶片的 F_{v}/F_{m} 无明显变化,维持在0.83~0.84之间。Yi等 (2014, 2016a)研究发现中度水分亏缺条件下(叶片 水势约为-2.0 MPa),棉花叶片的F_v/F_m也未下降, 维持在0.85左右。水分亏缺及复水后,棉花叶片 PSII和光系统I (photosystem I, PSI)活性未受到水 分亏缺的影响(Yi等2016b)。此外, Zhang等(2010)研 究了大田棉花在极度干旱条件下(叶片水势约为-4.0 MPa)的日变化,结果表明即使在高温(最高温度达 34°C)和高光强(水平最高光强达1 880 µmol·m⁻²·s⁻¹) 的环境条件下,极度干旱棉花叶片的F_v/F_m在白天 也只是呈现暂时性下调,傍晚和夜间又可完全恢 复。以上研究结果表明, 土壤水分亏缺不易导致棉 花叶片PSII发生不可修复的慢性光抑制。

3 水分亏缺条件下棉花叶片的光破坏防御机制

水分亏缺导致棉花叶片碳同化能力降低,减 少了叶片对吸收光能的利用,这可能会导致过剩 激发能增加和ROS代谢增强。如过剩激发能未及 时通过各种耗能途径耗散出去,光合反应中心就 会处于过激发状态,这极有可能导致光抑制的产 生。但如上所述,水分亏缺并未导致棉花叶片PSII 发生不可修复的慢性光抑制。大量研究表明,棉花叶片具有较强的光破坏防御能力以适应水分亏缺,包括通过形态特征及叶片角度的改变来减少对光能的吸收(Wilson等1987; Pettigrew 2004; Parida等2007; 张亚黎等2008; Zhang等2010; Carmo-Silva等2012)、过剩光能的热耗散(Björkman和Schäfer1989; Yi等2016a)、通过光化学途径(光呼吸、Mehler反应和环式电子传递)进行的光保护性调节(Massacci等2008; Chastain等2014; Yi等2014, 2016a; Singh等2014, 2015)、ROS代谢(Burke等1985; Mahan和Wanjura 2005; Kornyeyev等2003; Yi等2016a)以及光氧化伤害的修复(Hu等2013b)。

3.1 叶片运动

多种植物叶片能够随着太阳入射光线的改变 而运动,这种现象称为"向日性运动" (Ehleringer和 Forseth 1980)。通常,叶片运动包括横向日性运 动、偏向日性运动和萎焉运动三种类型。横向日 性运动是为了捕获更多的光能, 而偏向日性运动 和萎焉运动是为了减少对光能的捕获,避免吸收 过剩光能。前人研究表明叶片向日性运动受生长 环境的影响,如:光照强度、温度、水分、养分等 (Shackel和Hall 1979; Oosterhuis等1985; Fu和 Ehleringer 1989; Kao和Forseth 1991, 1992)。正常 生长条件下,棉花叶片一天中均呈现横向日性运 动(Lang 1973; Miller 1975), 豆科作物叶片在日进 程中呈现偏向日性运动(川嶋良一1969; Oosterhuis 等1985; Berg和Heuchelin 1990)。水分亏缺条件下, 植物叶片呈现偏向日性运动或萎焉运动, 这有利 于维持光能吸收与利用间的平衡(Kao和Forseth 1992; Isoda和Wang 2002; Inamullah和Isoda 2005a; Pastenes等2005; 张亚黎等2008; Zhang等2010; Carmo-Silva等2012)。Kao和Forseth (1992)研究表明, 阻断不同水氮供应条件下大豆叶片的偏向日性运 动将加速光抑制。Pastenes等(2005)通过阻止水分 亏缺条件下大豆叶片的偏向日性运动得到了相似 的结果。此外, 耐旱性的蕨类植物在干旱条件下 通过茎秆卷曲有效避免了光抑制的发生(Lebkuecher和Eickmeier 1991)。

棉花叶片依据其自身的水分状况呈现横向日 性运动和萎焉运动(Lang 1973; Ehleringer和Hammond 1987; 张亚黎等2008, 2010; Zhang等2010; Carmo-Silva等2012), 但横向日性运动只针对于陆 地棉叶片,海岛棉叶片的横向日性运动较弱或完 全没有(Lang 1973; Ehleringer和Hammond 1987; 张 亚黎等2010)。Zhang等(2009)研究了固定(叶片无 横向日性运动)和未固定(叶片有横向日性运动)陆 地棉叶片光合特性的日变化,结果发现未固定棉 花叶片呈现更高的碳同化能力和水分利用效率, 但固定与未固定棉花叶片的F_v/F_m表现出相似的日 变化规律,这就表明棉花叶片具有很强的利用吸 收光能的能力。事实证明陆地棉叶片可以通过相 对较强的光化学途径来耗散激发能(张亚黎等 2010; Zhang等2011)。Wang等(2004)研究表明水分 亏缺条件下陆地棉叶片仍能保持一定程度的横向 日性运动。张亚黎等(2008)研究结果表明,中午时 分轻度水分亏缺条件下(田间持水量的60%), 陆地 棉叶片的PSII活性与对照间无明显差异,叶片仍具 有横向日性运动;但中度水分亏缺条件下(田间持 水量的45%), PSII光化学效率降低, 光抑制程度加 强,叶片出现暂时萎焉下垂运动,横向日性运动消 失。水分亏缺条件下陆地棉叶片萎焉运动保护了 水分亏缺棉花叶片免受光损害,并且还能维持一 定的碳同化能力(Zhang等2010)。Carmo-Silva等 (2012)研究发现,重度水分亏缺条件下,海岛棉叶 片在中午也出现暂时萎焉运动。综上所述,正常 生长条件和适度水分亏缺条件下,陆地棉叶片呈 现横向日性运动,吸收的光能可以通过较强的电 子传递途径耗散;中度和重度水分亏缺条件下,陆 地棉和海岛棉叶片均发生下垂萎焉运动, 这避免 了棉花叶片吸收过多的光能,有效防止了光抑制 的发生。

3.2 热耗散

光能过剩时,植物叶片通过增加热耗散有效 地耗散了部分过剩光能(Demmig-Adams 1990; Horton等1996; Ahn等2008),通常用非光化学淬灭 (non-photochemical quenching, NPQ)来度量热耗散 的程度。其中,依赖叶黄素循环(xanthophyll cycle) 的热耗散被认为是保护光合机构免受过剩光能破 坏的主要途径。叶黄素循环是指参与该循环的三 个组分紫黄质、环氧玉米黄质和玉米黄质依照光 能过剩情况而相互转变的过程(Demmig-Adams和 Adams 1996, 2006)。Flexas和Medrano (2002b)统

计发现正常生长条件和饱和光强下,植物叶片吸 收光能的54%~72%用于热耗散;在中度和重度水 分亏缺条件下,通过热耗散途径耗散的能量高达 叶片所吸收光能的70%~92%。Björkman和Schäfer (1989)研究发现正常生长条件下,棉花叶片吸收光 能的44%用于光合电子传递,剩下的56%以热能的 形式耗散;中度和重度水分亏缺条件下,棉花叶片 吸收的光能70%~82%用于热耗散。棉花叶片热耗 散的日变化与叶片接受光强的日变化趋势一致, 中午时分棉花叶片吸收的光能过剩时,热耗散能有 效耗散过剩光能保护光合机构(Kornvevev等2005; Zhang等2009; 张亚黎等2010)。张亚黎等(2008)和 Zhang等(2010)研究发现水分亏缺条件下棉花叶片 的热耗散能力在下午14:00~18:00明显高于正常水 分条件下棉花叶片的热耗散能力。此外, Massacci 等(2008)研究发现高光强下,中度水分亏缺显著增 强了棉花叶片的热耗散能力。但也有相反的研究 结果,认为水分亏缺并未导致棉花叶片热耗散能力 的增强(Genty等1987; Zhang等2011; Yi等2016a)。

Inamullah和Isoda (2005b)研究发现水分亏缺条件 下,棉花叶片的光化学反射指数(photochemical reflectance index, PRI)无显著变化,表明水分亏缺条 件下依赖于叶黄素循环的热耗散能力并未增强。 此外,张亚黎等(2010)和Yi等(2016a)研究发现正常 条件下,海岛棉比陆地棉具有更强的热耗散能 力。这表明不同棉花材料以及试验环境条件,比 如温度、光强可能导致棉花叶片热耗散对水分亏 缺的不同响应。

3.3 光化学途径的光破坏防御作用

正常生长条件下,大部分光合机构的光合电 子流用于驱动光化学反应,将吸收的光能转化成 活跃的化学能储存在ATP、NADPH和还原型铁氧 还蛋白(reduced ferredoxin, Fd_{red})中。而分配到光 化学反应上的激发能主要用于光合碳还原、光呼 吸碳氧化、氧的还原(Mehler反应)、氮代谢等。 大量研究表明,当水分亏缺导致棉花叶片碳同化 能力下降时,过剩的激发能可以通过其他的电子 传递途径得以耗散,包括光呼吸(Massacci等2008; Chastain等2014; Yi等2014, 2016a)、Mehler反应(Yi 等2014, 2016a)、环式电子传递(Singh等2014, 2015)等。

3.3.1 光呼吸

卡尔文循环中, RuBisCO催化RuBP的羧化作 用产生卡尔文循环的中间产物3-磷酸甘油。但是, 在CO₂受到限制的条件下, RuBisCO催化RuBP的加 氧作用, 生成2-磷酸甘油(Ogren和Bowes 1971), 再 经过光呼吸碳循环生成3-磷酸甘油。Flexas和Medrano (2002b)统计发现在正常生长条件和饱和光 强下,植物叶片吸收光能的20%~30%用于碳还原, 10%~20%用于光呼吸作用,表明光呼吸是除碳同 化以外的重要电子库。Björkman和Schäfer (1989) 研究发现正常生长条件下的棉花、大约25%的吸收 光能用于碳同化, 19%的吸收光能用于光呼吸。 CO₂受到限制时,光呼吸能够维持一定的线性电子 传递和光能利用率,对光合器官起保护作用,避免 产生光破坏。Chastain等(2014)和Yi等(2014)利用 气体交换和叶绿素荧光相结合的方法,研究了土 壤水分亏缺对棉花叶片光合生理代谢的影响,结 果表明当水分亏缺导致气孔导度和胞间二氧化碳 浓度下降时,碳同化过程首先受到限制,光呼吸能 力随之增强。Flexas和Medrano (2002b)统计发现 轻度水分亏缺条件下,植物叶片的光呼吸速率增 强,而中度和重度水分亏缺条件下,光呼吸能力减 弱。这主要是因为RuBisCO催化的是一个竞争反 应, 羧化与加氧速率的相对比例主要依赖于CO,和 O,的相对浓度,轻度水分亏缺条件下,气孔关闭导 致细胞间CO₂浓度降低, O₂的浓度就相对增加, 此 时主要以O₂为底物,电子传递给氧用于RuBisCO的 加氧作用,光呼吸增强;中度和重度水分亏缺条件 下, RuBisCO活性受到抑制, 羧化和加氧速率均降 低,因此,降低了碳同化和光呼吸作用。Massacci等 (2008)研究了棉花叶片对水分亏缺的适应机制,结 果表明在水分亏缺的初始阶段光呼吸能力增强。 Yi等(2016a)也利用气体交换和叶绿素荧光相结合 的方法,研究了陆地棉和海岛棉适应水分亏缺的 光破坏防御机制,结果表明轻度水分亏缺条件下, 陆地棉和海岛棉叶片光呼吸能力增强,而中度水 分亏缺下的光呼吸能力弱于轻度水分亏缺下的光 呼吸能力。事实上,利用气体交换和叶绿素荧光 相结合的方法报道的结果一致表明轻度水分亏缺 下植物叶片的光呼吸增强,而中度和重度水分亏 缺下光呼吸减弱,但利用气体交换方法报道水分 亏缺条件下光呼吸能力增强均是基于光呼吸相对 值的变化(光呼吸速率与光合速率之比)(Lawlor 1976; Björkman和Schäfer 1989; Flexas等2002),光 呼吸的绝对值降低(Gerbaud和André 1980; Biehler 和Fock 1996; Zhang等2011)。不同试验方法可能 导致不同的试验结果,如何消除不同试验方法间 的差异,准确测量光呼吸仍需深入研究。

3.3.2 Mehler反应

Mehler反应即来自水中的电子经PSII和PSI, 在PSI端传给大气中的分子氧形成超氧阴离子 (O,))的电子传递过程(Mehler 1951)。大量研究表 明正常供水条件下, Mehler反应所占总光合电子传 递的比例较小(Björkman和Schäfer 1989; Biehler和 Fock 1996; Osmond等1997; Badger等2000; Flexas 等1999, 2002)。但在水分亏缺条件下, 当电子过剩 时, Mehler反应以分子氧为电子受体, 可以分流一 部分线性电子,防止光合电子传递链的过度还原 (Biehler和Fock 1996; Yi等2014)。Biehler和Fock (1996)利用¹⁶O₂/¹⁸O₂同位素示踪和质谱技术测定了 水分亏缺下小麦叶片O2的交换情况,结果显示当 水势在-3.0~-0.7 MPa范围内, O2的总吸收量随水 分亏缺程度的加重而增加,当叶片水势为-2.6 MPa 时,乙醇酸合成速率(光呼吸绝对速率)降低,这就 表明当小麦叶片水势为-2.6 MPa时,传递给O,的电 子流的增加主要是Mehler反应而非光呼吸,大约有 29.1%的光合电子用于Mehler反应。Yi等(2014)利 用Miyake和Yokota (2000)同步测量气体交换和叶 绿素荧光的方法计算了电子流分配情况,结果显 示棉花叶片水势为-1.0 MPa时,用于Mehler反应的 电子流占总电子流的4.3%; 当叶片水势为-1.3 MPa 时,用于Mehler反应的电子流占总电子流的8.3%; 当叶片水势为-2.1 MPa时,用于Mehler反应的电子 流占总电子流的15.2%, 表明随着水分亏缺程度的 加重, Mehler反应的活性逐渐增强。但Björkman和 Schäfer (1989)研究结果发现随水分亏缺程度的加重, 用于光呼吸和Mehler反应的总电子流在逐渐减少, 表明Mehler反应在棉花叶片耗散过剩电子中的贡献 较小甚至没有。类似的研究结果在番茄(Solanum lycopersicum) (Haupt-Herting和Fock 2002)、葡萄 (Flexas等1999, 2002)、菜豆(Phaseolus vulgaris)和 玉米(Zea mays) (Driever和Baker 2011)中也有报道, 认为Mehler反应作为电子库的作用并不重要。至 于水分亏缺下, Mehler反应在棉花叶片中的光破坏 防御作用还需进一步研究。此外, 值得注意的是 Mehler反应活性的增强必定会导致超氧化物、 H₂O₂以及羟基自由基的产生, 所以Mehler反应必须 伴随着抗氧化酶系统的协同运转才能起到有效的 保护作用。

3.3.3 环式电子传递

环式电子传递主要是指PSI侧处于还原态的 电子通过NADPH或Fd返回光合电子链,进而传递 到质体醌(plastoquinone, PO)库或细胞色素b。/f的电 子传递过程(Heber和Walker 1992; Breyton等2006; Joliot和Joliot 2006; Johnson 2011)。围绕PSI的环式 电子传递(cyclic electron flux around PSI, CEF-PSI) 通过促进跨类囊体膜质子梯度的建立, 驱动了ATP 合成酶合成ATP, 激活了PSII处的热耗散, 稳定了放 氧复合体(Arnon等1967; Heber和Walker 1992; Golding和Johnson 2003; Miyake等2004; Munekage 等2004; Shikanai 2007; Takahashi等2009; Kou等 2013; Huang等2016b)。此外, CEF-PSI能够缓解 PSI受体端的过度还原,有效防止了PSI受到光损 伤,对PSI起到重要的光保护作用(Munekage等 2002; Huang等2013, 2016a; Kono等2014; Tikkanen 等2015)。大量研究表明当植物遭受干旱胁迫时, CEF-PSI在光破坏防御中具有重要的作用(Katona 等1992; Golding和Johnson 2003; Munné-Bosch等 2005; Gao等2011; Gao和Wang 2012; Huang等2012, 2013; Kou等2013; Singh等2014, 2015)。Huang等 (2012)利用荧光和P700技术研究了蛛毛苣苔 (Paraboea sinensis) CEF-PSI在干旱胁迫下的光破 坏防御作用,结果显示蛛毛苣苔在遭遇干旱胁迫 后CEF-PSI可上调至线性电子传递的3倍以上,有 效防止了光抑制的发生。Singh等(2014)利用同样 的方法研究了室内盆栽棉花叶片CEF-PSI对水分 亏缺的响应,结果发现正常生长棉花叶片的CEF/ ETR(II)约为0.3, 轻度水分亏缺下该比值约为0.8, 而重度水分亏缺该比值高达1.8左右,这表明盆栽 棉花叶片的CEF在轻度和重度水分亏缺下均被激 发,能有效耗散过剩电子,对PSII和PSI起到重要的 光保护作用。最近,我们用Kou等(2013)提出的一 种准确量化CEF-PSI的方法测量了室内盆栽棉花

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叶片在不同水分条件下的CEF-PSI,结果也显示 CEF-PSI随水分亏缺程度的加重而增强(论文待发 表)。此外, Singh等(2015)比较了海岛棉和陆地棉 叶片CEF-PSI对水分亏缺的响应,结果显示水分亏 缺均激发了海岛棉和陆地棉的CEF-PSI,总体上海 岛棉的CEF-PSI能力比陆地棉的低,水分亏缺下海 岛棉叶片的CEF-PSI是正常水分条件下的1.5~2 倍。然而,我们在大田水分亏缺条件下的初步研 究结果表明,棉花叶片的CEF-PSI只有在中度水分 亏缺下才得以启动,且与陆地棉相比,海岛棉具有 更强的CEF-PSI能力(论文待发表)。CEF-PSI的激 发为CO₂的固定提供了额外的ATP (Rumeau等 2007; Shikanai 2014; Yamori等2016; Yamori和Shikanai 2016)。CEF-PSI缺失的烟草(Nicotiana tabacum)突变体在空气湿度低的条件下生长受到限 制(Horvath等2000)。Yamori等(2016)研究发现在 自然波动的光照条件下, CEF-PSI的调控可以优化 水稻(Oryza sativa)光合作用和生长发育过程。此 外, CEF-PSI介导合成的ATP也有可能用于PSII光 损伤的修复。Allakhverdiev等(2005)研究证实了 PSII的光损伤速度受ATP合成的影响。Gao和 Wang (2012)研究表明CEF-PSI的增强促进了严重 失水条斑紫菜(Porphyra yezoensis)的修复。中午 高光条件下CEF-PSI的激发有效避免了PSII和PSI 发生光抑制,下午低光条件下CEF-PSI通过合成额 外ATP对PSII的修复非常重要(Huang等2016a)。目 前大多利用荧光技术测定通过PSII的线性电子流 ETR(II)以及用P700测定通过PSI的电子流ETR(I), 用两者之差来表示CEF-PSI的大小,由于光化光和 测量光不能穿过整个叶片,导致光合机构接受的 光较弱, 光化学淬灭(photochemical quenching, $q_{\rm P}$) 小于实际值,这就低估了ETR(II),进而高估了植物 叶片的环式电子流。因此,如何准确量化CEF-PSI 还需进一步研究。

3.4 ROS清除系统

正常生长条件下,植物体内ROS的产生与清除处于动态平衡状态,光合机构不会遭到破坏,但 逆境胁迫导致光能过剩时,植物体内ROS产生和清 除间的平衡就会受到破坏,导致ROS大量积累 (Mittler 2002)。ROS对光合机构具有很强的氧化 能力,对许多细胞组分,如脂类、蛋白质以及核酸 等有破坏作用(Monk等1987; Sharma等2012)。为 了避免ROS对光合机构造成伤害,植物在长期的进 化过程中形成了一套完整的抗氧化系统,包括超 氧化物歧化酶(superoxide dismutase, SOD)、过氧 化物酶(peroxidase, POD)、过氧化氢酶(catalase, CAT)、抗坏血酸过氧化物酶(ascorbate peroxidase, APX)、谷胱甘肽还原酶(gutathione reductase, GR) 等在内的酶促抗氧化系统和类胡萝卜素(carotenoid, Car)、抗坏血酸(ascorbic acid, AsA)、谷胱甘肽(reduced glutathione, GSH)、甘露醇、类黄酮等非酶 促抗氧化系统,酶促和非酶促抗氧化系统的相互 配合能有效清除 O_2^- 和 H_2O_2 ,解除ROS的毒害作用 (Smirnoff 1993; Alscher等1997)。

水分亏缺可能会诱导植物产生氧化胁迫,同 时也触发抗氧化防御系统(Smirnoff 1993)。比如, 水分亏缺导致水稻叶片发生氧化胁迫, 表现为脂 质过氧化、叶绿素漂白、抗氧化剂(AsA、GSH、 Car等)含量降低, SOD活性以及AsA-GSH循环增强 (Yong和Jin 1999)。水分亏缺条件下,小麦和棉花 叶片GR活性增强(Burke等1985)。Mahan和Wanjura (2005)研究了土壤水分亏缺下大田棉花叶片抗 氧化系统的光保护作用,结果显示水分亏缺导致 棉花叶片的AsA含量以及APX的活性增加,水分亏 缺未导致棉花叶片丙二醛(malondialdehyde, MDA) 含量的增加,这表明土壤水分亏缺条件下棉花叶 片的抗氧化能力能够保护其自身不受氧化胁迫的 伤害。Kornyeyev等(2003)研究发现低温条件下 (10°C), 过量表达APX的棉花突变株能提高其抗氧 化系统能力,进而增强棉花耐低温能力。Badawi 等(2004)研究发现,过量表达烟草叶绿体中的APX 能够增加其对盐和干旱胁迫的适应能力。Yi等 (2014, 2016b)研究发现土壤水分亏缺导致棉花叶 片的O⁻₂产生速率和H₂O₂含量增加,其清除酶SOD、 POD和APX活性随之增强。Yi等(2016a)比较研究 了陆地棉和海岛棉叶片抗氧化系统对土壤水分亏 缺的响应,结果发现水分亏缺提高了陆地棉叶片的 SOD和APX活性,而海岛棉叶片的抗氧化酶活性对 水分亏缺不敏感,这表明水分亏缺条件下陆地棉具 有更强的ROS清除能力。但也有相反的研究报道, 认为水分亏缺降低了棉花叶片的SOD和GR活性 (Kawakami等2010)。Reddy等(2004)认为水分胁迫

下植物抗氧化能力增强、减弱或对水分不敏感主 要是由于水分亏缺的强度、植物种类以及植物的 生长发育阶段不同导致的。

3.5 光损坏的修复

环境胁迫条件下,尽管植物有多种光破坏防 御机制,但光合器官的损坏是光合作用不可避免 的一个结果,并且PSI和PSII反应中心都会受到光 的氧化损伤,单线态氧能够破坏PSII反应中心 (Chow和Aro 2005; Krieger-Liszkay等2008), O;对 PSI反应中心具有很强的破坏作用(Sonoike 2006)。PSII在弱光条件下的修复速度很快,几个 小时内便可完全修复(He和Chow 2003; Zhang和 Scheller 2004; Huang等2010b), 这主要是由于D1蛋 白的迅速周转、受损PSII亚基的快速修复以及重 新构建具有功能性的PSII (Aro等1993b)。PSI的修 复在大麦(Hordeum vulgare)和拟南芥(Arabidopsis thaliana)中是一个非常缓慢的过程,通常需要一个 星期才能完全修复(Teicher等2000; Zhang和Scheller 2004), PSI的慢速修复主要是由于所有PSI核心亚 基同时降解, 受损的复合体几乎没有可再使用的 (Zhang和Scheller 2004)。光抑制的发生是光损伤 与修复过程失调的结果(Allakhverdiev等2005),只 有损伤速率超过修复速率时才会发生净光抑制, 也就是慢性光抑制(Takahashi和Badger 2011)。因 此,为了避免慢性光抑制的产生,植物的修复速率 一定要快于损伤速率。Aro等(1993b)研究表明,在 不同生长光强下,维持豌豆(Pisum sativum)叶片D1 蛋白合成速率与降解速率间的平衡可避免慢性光 抑制的发生。如上文所述土壤水分亏缺并未导致 大田棉花叶片发生慢性光抑制, 据此推测棉花叶 片的修复速率快于损伤速率,有效避免了光抑制 的发生。Lee等(2001)和Kato等(2002)研究报道高 光下生长的植物具有较高的修复速率,这表明高 光下生长的植物维持了一个较高的D1周转速率。 Oguchi等(2008)研究发现了类似的规律,即高光下 生长的菠菜(Spinacia oleracea)其修复系数要高于 低光下生长的菠菜的修复系数。Hu等(2013b)研究 发现,棉花叶片的修复系数随光强的增加而稳定 上升,叶片未受到氧化胁迫。大田条件下生长的 棉花经常伴随着高光,这或许是导致棉花叶片修 复速率较快的原因之一。此外, PSII的修复速率还 依赖于PSI受损的程度, PSI受损较轻的前提下, PSII的修复很快, 但如果PSI受损严重, PSII的损坏 将不能修复(Huang等2010a, b)。Yi等(2016b)研究 发现水分亏缺并未导致棉花叶片PSII和PSI发生慢 性光抑制, 这表明棉花叶片PSI的稳定性保证了 PSII的快速修复。

4 展望

综上所述,水分亏缺导致棉花叶片碳同化能 力下降,但光合系统较稳定,这就导致棉花叶片吸 收的光能超过了碳同化的利用能力,造成光能过 剩。棉花是抗旱性较强的作物,为了避免过剩光 能对光合器官造成光氧化胁迫,棉花也形成了一 套完整的光破坏防御系统(包括叶片运动、热耗 散、交替电子传递、ROS清除、光破坏修复等), 这些防御系统相互协调,共同起到对棉花的光保 护作用,其中通过交替电子传递进行的光保护性 调节是棉花最为重要的光破坏防御机制。对于棉 花叶片光破坏防御机制的研究目前还存在不足, 一是测量方法,大部分研究结果是基于荧光技术, 由于荧光只能检测叶片表层的信号,测量结果不 能真实反映整个叶片组织的变化;二是试验材料, 科学家们热衷于借助突变株与抑制剂来研究一些 机理上的科学问题,目前棉花在光破坏防御方面 的突变株还较少。此外,我们已经明确了土壤水 分亏缺下田间棉花叶片的修复速率较快,但导致 棉花叶片修复速率较快的机制尚不清楚。CEF在 植物抗逆过程中的光破坏防御作用是目前研究的 一个热点, CEF通过促进跨膜质子梯度的建立, 激 发ATP合成酶合成ATP,这或许为棉花叶片的快速 修复提供了ATP, 但CEF在田间棉花叶片适应土壤 水分亏缺的光破坏防御作用及CEF与其他光破坏 防御途径间的关系还需进一步深入研究。

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Research progress of the photoprotective mechanisms of cotton leaves under soil water deficit

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Abstract: Drought is considered to be the most limiting environmental factor, limiting plant growth, development and yield. In order to adapt to drought environment, plants have evolved multiple photoprotective mechanisms to protect the photosynthetic apparatus from photodamage. Cotton is regarded as a drought tolerant crop, and drought does not lead to chronic photoinhibition of photosynthetic apparatus even moderate drought. This paper briefly reviews the following three aspects: effect of water deficit on photosynthesis; effect of water deficit on photoinhibition; possible photoprotective mechanisms under water deficit. Further research on the adaptation mechanism of field-grown cotton plants to water deficit has also been discussed.

Key words: water deficit; cotton; photoinhibition; photoprotection

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