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# 内 容 简 介

本书是一部有关红树林研究的学术论文专集（第四集），汇集了林鹏教授及其领导下的厦门大学红树林研究组三年来（1997—1999）发表的论文 44 篇。全书包括红树林的物流能流、生理生态学、污染生态学、生物多样性、红树植物形态学以及红树林与全球变化等六个部分。

本书可供大专院校生物系、海洋系、环科系、林学系以及水产学院师生参考，也可供有关科技人员阅读。

## 序 言

红树林是热带海岸潮间带的木本植物群落，由于温暖洋流的影响，有的可分布到亚热带；有的受潮汐影响，也可分布于河口海岸和水陆交叠的地方。因此，红树植物具有每日浸润的潮间带生长的真红树和只有高洪潮方可浸润的高潮带以上的两栖性的半红树植物。如今大多数生态学家认为红树林有6个主要作用：1. 通过网罗碎屑的方式促进土壤的形成，抵抗潮汐和洪水的冲击，保护堤岸；2. 过滤陆地径流和内陆带出的有机物质和污染物；3. 为许多海洋动物（包括渔业、水产生物）提供栖息和觅食的理想生境；4. 是为近海生产力提供有机碎屑的主要生产者；5. 植物本身的生产物，包括木材、薪炭、食物、药材和其它化工原料等；6. 红树林是可以进行社会教育和旅游的自然和人文景观。开展红树林研究不仅有重要的理论意义，还有现实的经济意义。

本书是继《红树林研究论文集》（1980-1989）和第二集（1990-1992）、第三集（1993-1996）之后的续集。全书共分为六个部分：第一部分收集论文4篇，论述红树植物的生物量、物质流和能量流等；第二部分收集论文14篇，论述红树植物的某些生理生态学特性，如红树植物抗寒、抗盐特性和蒸腾作用等；第三部分收集论文4篇，论述红树林的污染生态学；第四部分收集论文11篇，论述红树林中的鸟类、底栖动物、微生物和藻类的分布特征及红树林群落生态资源等；第五部分收集论文6篇，论述红树植物的形态学特性；第六部分收集论文5篇，论述红树林在全球变化中的作用。

全书收集的44篇三年来（1997-1999）正式发表和国内外学术会议论文，是作者及其领导下的厦门大学红树林科研组的集体成果之一。本书可供国内外有关学者参阅，并作为进一步开展此项工作的前导。本书编汇过程中得到李振基、刘俊杰等同志的帮助，谨此致谢。此书献给我敬爱的老师汪德耀教授，是他支持我步入红树林的林地，并感谢他的谆谆教诲。

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# Foreword

Mangroves are woody plant communities in the intertidal zone of tropical coast influenced by warm ocean currents; some species can grow in subtropical coast, river estuary, coast and land where seawater can reach. Therefore, mangrove species can be divided into true mangrove plants which only grow in intertidal zone where the tide can reach daily and semi-mangrove plants which are amphibious plants or grow in uppertidal zone that may be immersed only by spring tide. Today, most ecologists have recognized 6 major roles of mangrove swamps: (1) mangroves help the formation of soil sediment by trapping debris, protect embankment against tide and flood; (2) mangroves can filter land runoff and remove terrestrial organic matters and pollutants; (3) mangroves serve as feeding ground and living habitats for many marine animals including fishes and other aquaculture organisms; (4) mangroves are major producers of detritus contributing to offshore productivity; (5) mangrove plants can be used as timber, firewood, food, medicine and other raw chemical materials; (6) mangroves provide humane and natural landscapes for social education and tourism. Researches in mangroves have important significance in theory and economics.

This book is a continuation of the first collection (1980-1989), the second collection (1990-1992) and the third collection (1993-1996). It is divided into six parts as follows: in part I there are 4 papers which study the biomass, matter cycling and energy flow of the main mangrove communities; in part II there are 14 papers which discuss some physiological ecological characteristics of mangroves, such as cold-resistance, salt-resistance, transpiration, and so on; in part III there are 4 papers which focus on pollution ecology of mangroves; in part IV there are 11 papers on mangrove resources, community characteristics, and distribution characteristics of the birds, benthos, microbes and macroalgae in mangrove areas; in part V there are 6 papers which discuss morphology of mangroves; in part VI there are 5 papers about the role of mangrove in the global changes.

The 44 papers in this volume consist of author's papers published and papers in symposium at home and abroad from 1993 to 1996. It is one of collective achievements by the mangrove research group of Xiamen University guided by the author. The book primarily intends to serve as a source of information for scholars at home and abroad and preceding work for further researches in this field.

The author is thankful to Prof. Dr. Li Zhenji, Mr. Liu Junjie for their helps in the compilation of this book. The book is dedicated to my dear teacher Prof. Wang Deyao for his earnest teachings. He helped me enter the field of mangroves in 1950s.

Criticism and suggestion for this book will be highly appreciated.

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## 一、红树林的能流、物流

### PART I. MANGROVE MATTER AND ENERGY FLOW

# Dynamics of element contents during the development of hypocotyles and leaves of certain mangrove species

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## Abstract

The changes in the contents of chlorine, sodium, potassium, calcium, magnesium and ash have been investigated during the development of the leaves of eight mangrove species: *Kandelia candel* Druce, *Bruguiera gymnorhiza* Lamk., *B. sexangula* Poir., *Rhizophora stylosa* Griff., *R. apiculata* Blume, *Ceriops tagal* C.B. Rob., *Aegiceras corniculatum* Blanco and *Avicennia marina* Vierh., and the viviparous hypocotyles of *K. candel*, *B. gymnorhiza* and *B. sexangula* in China. With the in situ viviparous development of hypocotyle, contents of chlorine, sodium, potassium, calcium, magnesium and ash in the hypocotyle decreased, indicating that the development of hypocotyle is not a salt-accumulating process, but a desalinating process. With the development of the leaves from young to old, the content of potassium decreased, while calcium and magnesium increased both in salt-secreters and salt-nonsecreters. Sodium, chlorine and ash increased in salt-nonsecreters and decreased in salt-secreters. Eliminating excessive salt by loss of old leaves that are rich in salt is one of the characteristics by which salt-nonsecreters adapt themselves to saline environments. Potassium can be reabsorbed from senescing leaves and reused for the growth of new organs. © 1999 Elsevier Science B.V. All rights reserved.

**Keywords:** Mangroves; Leaf; Hypocotyle; Vivipary; Element dynamic

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## 1. Introduction

Mangroves are special intertidal woody communities, common in tropical and subtropical coastal environments. They are important not only in protecting coasts from erosion by fierce tides but also in promoting the diversity of marine organisms and

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fishery by contributing a quantity of food and providing favorable habitats for animals (Teas, 1979; Lin, 1988; Fan, 1993).

Mangrove swamps are rich in salts. When the roots absorb nutrients and water, they will inevitably absorb certain amount of salts. The absorbed salts enter leaves through transpiration flow. Excessive accumulation of salts in the plant tissues is toxic and must be largely excluded. According to the patterns by which mangrove species adapt themselves to saline environments, all mangrove species can be divided into two groups: those that do secrete salt (secretors) and those that do not secrete salt (nonsecretors) (Lin, 1988; Teas, 1979). In salt secretors, such as *Avicennia marina* and *Aegiceras corniculatum*, salt is only partially excluded at roots, and the absorbed salt is primarily excreted metabolically via salt glands on the leaves. Nonsecretors, such as *Kandelia candel* and *Ceriops tagal*, lack salt glands. Salt exclusion here is mainly by a special barrier in the roots that obstructs excessive salt absorption (Tomlinson, 1986). The additional mechanism for salt elimination may be by the shedding of old leaves (Teas, 1979).

Mangroves, especially the species of Rhizophoraceae, possess distinctive vivipary. The seed germinates within the fruit while still attached to the mother tree, forming a stick-like or spindle-like viviparous seedling (hypocotyle). The seedling drops off and floats in the saline water until it lodges in shallow water. Then roots sprout and penetrate into mud that is rich in salts. Thus, a young tree takes place. It is believed that the adaptation of the hypocotyle to salt forms when it is still attached to the tree by absorbing salt from the tree continuously (Jin and Fang, 1958; Joshi et al., 1972; Lin, 1988). Depending on whether or not the seedling sprouts inside or out of the pericarp, vivipary is divided into two types: cryptovivipary and exposed vivipary (Lin, 1988). The seedlings of species such as *K. candel*, *Bruguiera gymnorhiza* and *B. sexangula* sprout out of pericarps after seeds germinate, and this kind of vivipary is called exposed vivipary. Most of the species of Rhizophoraceae exhibit exposed vivipary. Nevertheless, the seeds of species such as *Aegiceras corniculatum* and *Avicennia marina* remain inside the pericarps after germinating, and this kind of vivipary is called cryptovivipary.

In this paper, we made an attempt to record the accumulation of Cl, Na, K, Ca, Mg and ash in the hypocotyles at different developing stages of three typical exposed viviparous mangroves (*K. candel*, *B. gymnorhiza* and *B. sexangula*), and in the leaves at different developing stages of eight species of mangroves in China (*K. candel* Druce, *B. gymnorhiza* Lamk., *B. sexangula* Poir., *Rhizophora stylosa* Griff., *R. apiculata* Blume, *Ceriops tagal* C.B. Rob., *Aegiceras corniculatum* Blanco and *Avicennia marina* Vierh.).

## 2. Materials and methods

### 2.1. Materials

The samples of *K. candel*, *Aegiceras corniculatum* and *Avicennia marina* were collected from the mangrove forest at Jiulong River Estuary (24° 29' N), Fujian, China, and the samples of *B. sexangula*, *B. gymnorhiza*, *Rhizophora stylosa*, *R. apiculata* and *Ceriops tagal* were collected from the mangrove forest at Dongzhai Harbor (19° 54' N),



Hainan Island, China. The characteristics of the mangrove communities have been reported by Lin and Lu (1985); Lin et al. (1987). At each site, 40 trees of each species, that were similar in height and living conditions were chosen and two shoots were selected randomly from the upper crown of each chosen tree for leaf, flower, fruit and hypocotyle sampling. The different stages of development of hypocotyles were demarcated and are shown in Fig. 1. The last grade was mature hypocotyle. Persistent pericarps were separated from hypocotyles. The development stages of leaves were demarcated into three stages: young leaf (the first pair of immature leaves of the shoots), mature leaf (the third pair of developmentally matured leaves) and yellow leaf (turning yellow from senescence). The sampling numbers of each component, respectively, were 160 for each species, and the samples were mixed extensively according to the component. Water samples of the habitats were sampled at high tide at the same time. All samples were taken to the laboratory immediately, cleaned with distilled water and blotted dry, dried at 80°C, ground and stored for chemical analyses. The water content of the samples was determined too.

## 2.2. Methods for analyses

Subsamples were digested using  $\text{HNO}_3\text{--HClO}_4$ , and K, Na, Ca and Mg content was determined using Model WFX-IB atomic absorption spectrophotometers (Analytical Instruments, Beijing, China). Cl determination was by the method of Chapman and Pratt (1961). Ash content was determined by an ashing method (550°C, 4 h). The Cl content of the sea water was determined by  $\text{AgNO}_3$  titration (Chen, 1965). The Cl concentration in the tissue saps was calculated as follows (Zheng and Lin, 1992):

$$M = R \cdot C \cdot 10^6 / G$$

Where  $M$  is the Cl concentration in the tissue sap (mmol/l),  $R$  is the ratio of dry matter

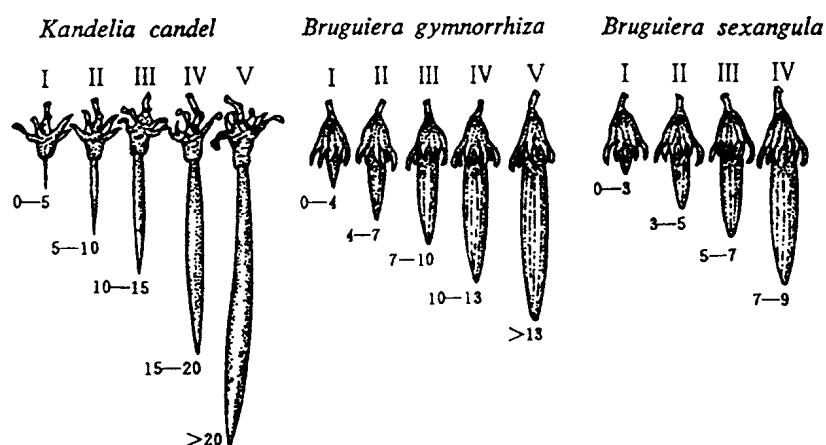


Fig. 1. Division of the developmental stages of viviparous hypocotyles of mangrove species (in cm).