Abstract

A highly purified light-harvesting pigment-protein complex (LHC) was obtained by fractionation of cation-depleted chloroplast membranes using the nonionic detergent, Triton X-100. The isolated LHC had a chlorophyll $a:b$ ratio of 1.2 and exhibited no photochemical activity. SDS-polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis of the LHC revealed three polypeptides in the molecular weight classes of 23, 25, and 30 $\text{Å} - 10^{3}$. Antibodies were prepared against the LHC and their specificity was established. The effect of the $\alpha$-LHC (antibodies to LHC) on salt-mediated changes in PS I and PS II photochemistry, Chl $\alpha$ fluorescence inductions, and 77 °K fluorescence emission spectra was investigated. The results show that: (i) The $\text{Mg}^{2+}$-induced 20% decrease in photosystem I (PS I) quantum yield observed in control chloroplasts was blocked by the presence of $\alpha$-LHC antibody, (ii) The $\text{Mg}^{2+}$-induced 70% increase in photosystem II (PS II) quantum yield was blocked by the presence of $\alpha$-LHC antibody.
(PS II) quantum yield of control chloroplasts was reduced 35% for plastids in the presence of \( \hat{\iota} \)-LHC antibody, (iii) The Mg\(^{2+}\)-induced increase in room-temperature variable fluorescence was reduced 60% by \( \hat{\iota} \)-LHC antibody, (iv) The Mg\(^{2+}\)-induced increase in the F685:F730 emission peak ratio at 77 °K was inhibited 50% in the presence of \( \hat{\iota} \)-LHC antibody. These results provide direct evidence for the involvement of the light-harvesting complex in cation regulation of energy redistribution between the photosystems. The fact that the \( \hat{\iota} \)-LHC antibody does not fully block Mg\(^{2+}\)-induced PS II increases or chlorophyll fluorescence increases supports the concept that Mg\(^{2+}\) has two mechanisms of action: one effect on energy distribution and a second direct effect on photosystem II centers.

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