

Table S1. Biochemical concentration integrated within euphotic water column at each station in the Yellow Sea, 2018. FM represents sum of carbohydrates, proteins, and lipids.

Season	Station	Chlorophyll <i>a</i> (mg m ⁻²)	Carbohydrates (g m ⁻²)	Proteins (g m ⁻²)	Lipids (g m ⁻²)	FM (g m ⁻²)	Calorie Content (Kcal m ⁻²)	Calorie Content/ chlorophyll <i>a</i> (Kcal (mg) ⁻¹)
Winter	307-03	1.8	1.6	0.6	0.6	2.8	15.3	8.6
	307-05	1.7	1.2	0.4	1.2	2.8	18.6	10.7
	307-09	3.7	2.6	0.5	2.0	5.1	32.3	8.7
	309-03	7.3	2.9	1.0	1.3	5.3	30.2	4.1
	309-05	4.2	3.6	0.6	1.8	6.0	35.4	8.4
	309-09	4.1	3.1	0.8	1.6	5.5	32.2	7.8
	310-09	3.9	4.5	1.0	2.1	7.6	44.0	11.3
	311-05	2.4	1.4	0.3	0.6	2.3	13.4	5.7
	311-09	2.3	1.6	0.2	1.1	2.9	18.0	7.7
	312-09	1.3	2.2	0.2	1.1	3.5	20.3	16.2
	Mean	3.3	2.5	0.6	1.3	4.4	26.0	8.9
S.D.	1.8	1.1	0.3	0.5	1.8	10.2	3.3	
Spring	307-03	6.1	1.1	0.6	0.4	2.2	12.0	2.0
	307-05	5.0	1.0	0.4	0.4	1.7	9.9	2.0
	307-09	17.9	1.4	1.9	2.3	5.5	37.5	2.1
	309-03	46.1	1.9	1.3	3.2	6.4	45.7	1.0
	309-05	60.0	4.1	2.7	3.3	10.1	63.0	1.1
	309-09	18.7	2.7	1.9	2.2	6.7	42.0	2.2
	310-03	24.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	3.3	20.9	0.9

	311-07	14.7	2.4	0.9	1.1	4.4	25.3	1.7
	312-05	22.2	3.1	1.1	1.7	5.8	34.4	1.6
	312-09	96.6	4.3	2.2	2.2	8.7	50.6	0.5
	Mean	31.1	2.3	1.4	1.8	5.5	34.1	1.5
	S.D.	28.6	1.2	0.7	1.0	2.7	17.2	0.6
Summer	307-03	3.0	0.7	0.2	0.3	1.2	6.6	2.2
	307-05	11.2	3.5	1.2	2.2	6.8	41.5	3.7
	307-09	9.6	5.1	1.2	3.2	9.5	58.1	6.1
	308-06	11.0	6.9	1.7	4.6	13.2	81.7	7.4
	309-03	21.0	8.8	1.6	4.2	14.5	84.5	4.0
	309-05	14.9	11.0	0.9	5.7	17.6	104.2	7.0
	309-09	14.1	8.5	1.4	5.4	15.3	94.1	6.7
	311-07	8.2	11.8	1.1	4.9	17.8	101.0	12.4
	311-09	10.7	9.4	0.9	4.2	14.6	84.0	7.9
	312-09	17.2	6.9	1.4	5.0	13.3	83.3	4.8
		Mean	12.1	7.3	1.2	4.0	12.4	73.9
	S.D.	5.0	3.4	0.4	1.7	5.2	30.3	2.8
Fall	307-03	5.4	1.8	0.4	0.7	2.9	15.9	3.0
	307-05	26.1	4.6	1.4	2.0	8.0	45.1	1.7
	307-09	29.9	9.1	1.2	5.5	15.8	95.8	3.2
	308-06	9.7	4.0	0.9	3.3	8.2	52.5	5.4
	309-03	22.5	6.0	1.3	3.6	10.9	66.2	2.9
	309-07	18.6	6.3	1.5	3.2	11.1	65.1	3.5
	310-06	12.1	9.3	1.3	4.1	14.7	83.8	6.9
	311-07	25.9	7.1	1.5	3.2	11.8	67.8	2.6
	311-09	14.2	10.0	1.2	4.0	15.3	85.9	6.1

312-09	20.3	8.8	0.9	3.0	12.7	69.4	3.4
Mean	18.4	6.7	1.2	3.2	11.1	64.8	3.9
S.D.	8.0	2.7	0.3	1.3	4.0	22.9	1.7

Table S2. Biochemical concentration integrated within euphotic water column at each station in the South Sea of Korea, 2018. FM represents sum of carbohydrates, proteins, and lipids.

Season	Station	Chlorophyll <i>a</i> (mg m ⁻²)	Carbohydrates (g m ⁻²)	Proteins (g m ⁻²)	Lipids (g m ⁻²)	FM (g m ⁻²)	Calorie Content (Kcal m ⁻²)	Calorie Content/ chlorophyll <i>a</i> (Kcal (mg) ⁻¹)
Winter	204-04	10.0	4.7	0.3	1.1	6.0	31.0	3.1
	205-03	11.1	4.6	0.3	1.3	6.2	33.1	3.0
	205-05	17.4	4.6	0.3	1.6	6.5	36.2	2.1
	206-03	5.6	3.0	0.4	1.1	4.5	24.9	4.5
	207-03	9.3	7.7	1.1	1.9	10.7	55.5	6.0
	313-09	3.2	2.6	0.2	0.9	3.7	20.4	6.4
	314-03	42.3	3.3	0.9	1.5	5.7	32.9	0.8
	314-07	4.7	2.2	0.1	0.6	3.0	15.9	3.4
	400-14	14.7	3.9	0.6	1.3	5.8	31.8	2.2
	400-25	13.4	3.7	0.5	1.4	5.6	31.0	2.3
	Mean	13.2	4.0	0.5	1.3	5.8	31.3	3.4
	S.D.	11.2	1.5	0.3	0.4	2.1	10.6	1.8
Spring	204-04	34.3	6.2	1.4	1.9	9.5	50.8	1.5
	205-03	43.6	4.4	2.1	2.5	9.1	54.1	1.2
	205-05	59.0	5.8	1.8	2.0	9.6	52.8	0.9
	206-03	89.7	7.9	3.2	3.3	14.4	81.6	0.9
	207-03	29.1	6.5	1.9	2.4	10.9	60.6	2.1
	313-09	36.2	4.3	1.6	2.1	8.0	46.4	1.3
	314-03	25.7	9.6	1.4	2.2	13.2	67.8	2.6

	314-05	28.4	5.3	1.2	2.0	8.5	47.2	1.7
	314-09	21.8	3.3	0.8	1.8	5.9	34.7	1.6
	400-27	45.0	4.6	1.4	1.9	7.9	44.3	1.0
	Mean	41.3	5.8	1.7	2.2	9.7	54.0	1.5
	S.D.	20.3	1.9	0.7	0.5	2.6	13.2	0.6
	205-03	11.0	6.9	0.0	4.0	11.0	66.7	6.1
	205-05	17.7	5.1	0.1	3.2	8.4	52.0	2.9
	206-03	12.3	8.6	0.0	5.7	14.3	89.3	7.3
	207-03	17.1	11.4	0.0	5.5	17.0	99.4	5.8
	313-07	13.2	8.1	0.0	5.6	13.7	86.1	6.5
Summer	314-03	33.4	7.1	0.6	5.9	13.7	88.9	2.7
	314-05	12.7	10.3	0.0	7.5	17.8	113.9	9.0
	314-09	17.4	9.2	0.2	5.6	15.0	91.9	5.3
	400-14	7.6	10.0	0.0	5.1	15.1	89.7	11.9
	400-25	11.2	6.3	0.0	3.5	9.8	59.0	5.2
	Mean	15.4	8.3	0.1	5.2	13.6	83.7	6.3
	S.D.	6.7	1.9	0.2	1.2	2.9	18.0	2.6
	203-03	41.2	2.7	1.4	7.6	11.7	91.1	2.2
	204-04	17.7	1.3	1.0	1.6	3.8	25.5	1.4
	205-03	42.4	2.4	1.3	2.8	6.6	44.2	1.0
	206-03	56.5	2.3	2.1	3.3	7.8	52.9	0.9
Fall	207-03	50.7	5.9	1.9	4.6	12.4	78.3	1.5
	313-03	27.6	4.3	1.9	4.2	10.4	68.4	2.5
	313-09	19.2	2.2	1.3	2.5	6.1	40.3	2.1
	314-03	21.6	3.6	1.6	4.1	9.3	62.7	2.9
	314-09	24.2	2.6	1.4	3.0	7.1	47.2	2.0

400-14	60.7	2.5	1.9	3.3	7.7	52.2	0.9
Mean	36.2	3.0	1.6	3.7	8.3	56.3	1.7
S.D.	16.1	1.3	0.4	1.6	2.7	19.3	0.7

Table S3. Biochemical concentration integrated within euphotic water column at each station in the East China Sea, 2018. FM represents sum of carbohydrates, proteins, and lipids.

Season	Station	Chlorophyll <i>a</i> (mg m ⁻²)	Carbohydrates (g m ⁻²)	Proteins (g m ⁻²)	Lipids (g m ⁻²)	FM (g m ⁻²)	Calorie Content (Kcal m ⁻²)	Calorie Content/ chlorophyll <i>a</i> (Kcal (mg) ⁻¹)
Winter	204-04	10.0	4.7	0.3	1.1	6.0	31.0	3.1
	205-03	11.1	4.6	0.3	1.3	6.2	33.1	3.0
	205-05	17.4	4.6	0.3	1.6	6.5	36.2	2.1
	206-03	5.6	3.0	0.4	1.1	4.5	24.9	4.5
	400-14	14.7	3.9	0.6	1.3	5.8	31.8	2.2
	400-25	13.4	3.7	0.5	1.4	5.6	31.0	2.3
	Mean	13.2	4.0	0.5	1.3	5.8	31.3	3.4
	S.D.	11.2	1.5	0.3	0.4	2.1	10.6	1.8
Spring	204-04	34.3	6.2	1.4	1.9	9.5	50.8	1.5
	205-03	43.6	4.4	2.1	2.5	9.1	54.1	1.2
	206-03	89.7	7.9	3.2	3.3	14.4	81.6	0.9
	207-03	29.1	6.5	1.9	2.4	10.9	60.6	2.1
	313-09	36.2	4.3	1.6	2.1	8.0	46.4	1.3
	314-03	25.7	9.6	1.4	2.2	13.2	67.8	2.6
	314-05	28.4	5.3	1.2	2.0	8.5	47.2	1.7
	314-09	21.8	3.3	0.8	1.8	5.9	34.7	1.6
	400-27	45.0	4.6	1.4	1.9	7.9	44.3	1.0
	Mean	41.3	5.8	1.7	2.2	9.7	54.0	1.5
S.D.	20.3	1.9	0.7	0.5	2.6	13.2	0.6	
Summer	205-03	11.0	6.9	0.0	4.0	11.0	66.7	6.1

	205-05	17.7	5.1	0.1	3.2	8.4	52.0	2.9
	206-03	12.3	8.6	0.0	5.7	14.3	89.3	7.3
	207-03	17.1	11.4	0.0	5.5	17.0	99.4	5.8
	313-07	13.2	8.1	0.0	5.6	13.7	86.1	6.5
	314-03	33.4	7.1	0.6	5.9	13.7	88.9	2.7
	314-05	12.7	10.3	0.0	7.5	17.8	113.9	9.0
	314-09	17.4	9.2	0.2	5.6	15.0	91.9	5.3
	400-14	7.6	10.0	0.0	5.1	15.1	89.7	11.9
	400-25	11.2	6.3	0.0	3.5	9.8	59.0	5.2
	Mean	15.4	8.3	0.1	5.2	13.6	83.7	6.3
	S.D.	6.7	1.9	0.2	1.2	2.9	18.0	2.6
Fall	203-03	41.2	2.7	1.4	7.6	11.7	91.1	2.2
	204-04	17.7	1.3	1.0	1.6	3.8	25.5	1.4
	205-03	42.4	2.4	1.3	2.8	6.6	44.2	1.0
	206-03	56.5	2.3	2.1	3.3	7.8	52.9	0.9
	207-03	50.7	5.9	1.9	4.6	12.4	78.3	1.5
	313-03	27.6	4.3	1.9	4.2	10.4	68.4	2.5
	313-09	19.2	2.2	1.3	2.5	6.1	40.3	2.1
	314-03	21.6	3.6	1.6	4.1	9.3	62.7	2.9
	314-09	24.2	2.6	1.4	3.0	7.1	47.2	2.0
	400-14	60.7	2.5	1.9	3.3	7.7	52.2	0.9
	Mean	36.2	3.0	1.6	3.7	8.3	56.3	1.7
S.D.	16.1	1.3	0.4	1.6	2.7	19.3	0.7	

Table S4. Biochemical concentration integrated within euphotic water column at each station in the East Sea, 2018. FM represents sum of carbohydrates, proteins, and lipids.

Season	Station	Chlorophyll <i>a</i> (mg m ⁻²)	Carbohydrates (g m ⁻²)	Proteins (g m ⁻²)	Lipids (g m ⁻²)	FM (g m ⁻²)	Calorie Content (Kcal m ⁻²)	Calorie Content/ chlorophyll <i>a</i> (Kcal (mg) ⁻¹)
Winter	103-07	50.8	7.0	1.2	2.9	11.2	63.3	1.2
	103-11	92.9	4.6	1.9	3.5	9.9	61.9	0.7
	105-05	19.6	6.3	0.5	2.9	9.7	56.3	2.9
	105-07	27.6	9.3	0.8	3.8	13.9	78.8	2.9
	105-11	27.0	9.9	0.7	3.2	13.8	74.5	2.8
	107-05	34.5	6.4	1.0	3.2	10.6	62.1	1.8
	107-07	17.5	4.8	0.1	2.7	7.6	45.8	2.6
	209-05	22.0	7.9	0.6	3.2	11.7	66.0	3.0
	209-08	49.8	7.5	0.9	4.3	12.7	76.2	1.5
	Mean	38.0	7.1	0.9	3.3	11.2	65.0	2.1
S.D.	23.9	1.8	0.5	0.5	2.1	10.4	0.9	
Spring	102-06	59.7	3.1	3.8	3.4	10.3	66.3	1.1
	103-04	44.7	4.1	1.5	2.0	7.5	43.7	1.0
	103-10	70.9	3.7	3.5	3.7	11.0	70.1	1.0
	104-05	62.3	3.2	2.5	2.7	8.4	52.4	0.8
	104-09	61.8	3.3	2.5	3.0	8.8	55.9	0.9
	105-10	36.7	3.3	1.7	2.0	7.0	42.1	1.1
	106-03	43.1	3.2	2.4	2.4	8.0	48.8	1.1
	106-10	40.2	5.0	2.5	3.5	11.0	67.8	1.7
107-07	34.9	3.7	3.1	3.1	9.9	61.4	1.8	

	209-07	46.6	3.3	1.7	2.3	7.3	44.6	1.0
	Mean	50.1	3.6	2.5	2.8	8.9	55.3	1.2
	S.D.	12.5	0.6	0.8	0.6	1.5	10.6	0.3
Summer	102-09	12.0	4.4	1.3	3.0	8.7	53.5	4.5
	103-09	17.9	4.6	1.1	4.0	9.7	63.0	3.5
	104-04	12.7	4.1	0.6	2.4	7.1	42.7	3.4
	104-11	8.1	4.2	0.9	3.5	8.5	55.1	6.8
	105-07	8.4	5.1	1.0	3.9	9.9	62.8	7.5
	105-11	12.4	5.4	1.3	3.7	10.3	63.9	5.1
	106-05	17.4	3.9	1.7	3.0	8.6	54.1	3.1
	107-03	8.0	2.6	0.8	2.1	5.5	34.7	4.4
	107-07	10.7	4.9	1.1	3.0	9.0	54.9	5.2
	209-07	18.1	6.3	1.	4.5	12.4	77.5	4.3
		Mean	12.6	4.5	1.1	3.3	9.0	56.2
	S.D.	4.0	1.0	0.3	0.8	1.9	11.8	1.4
Fall	102-07	46.2	3.0	1.5	4.5	8.9	63.1	1.4
	103-05	40.5	3.5	1.4	4.7	9.6	67.0	1.7
	103-09	28.2	2.1	1.2	4.1	7.4	54.1	1.9
	104-08	56.3	3.2	3.0	4.3	10.4	70.0	1.2
	105-03	25.2	2.8	0.9	2.5	6.2	40.3	1.6
	105-11	22.3	2.6	1.3	3.5	7.4	50.9	2.3
	106-07	17.5	3.5	0.9	6.7	11.1	82.8	4.7
	107-03	33.6	3.5	1.6	3.2	8.3	53.5	1.6
	107-07	18.1	3.5	0.9	4.7	9.2	64.5	3.6
	209-04	26.0	2.0	0.9	2.4	5.3	36.0	1.4
		Mean	31.4	3.0	1.4	4.1	8.4	58.2
	S.D.	12.7	0.6	0.6	1.3	1.8	14.1	1.1