

## Supplementary Materials

**Table S1.** Results of rubisco KIE assay.

Rubisco	Time (min)	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ (avg.)	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ (std. err.)	$^{13}\text{R}$ (avg.)	$^{13}\text{R}$ (std. err.)
L <sub>8</sub>	0	−0.592	0.010	0.0111549	1.81*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub>	15	−0.425	0.007	0.0111580	1.24*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub>	30	−0.129	0.021	0.0111634	3.92*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub>	45	0.111	0.026	0.0111679	4.80*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub>	60	0.268	0.017	0.0111708	3.11*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub>	90	0.327	0.010	0.0111718	1.81*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub>	120	0.506	0.007	0.0111751	1.35*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub>	150	0.473	0.012	0.0111745	1.35*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub>	210	0.652	0.013	0.0111778	2.34*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub>	270	0.454	0.007	0.0111742	1.26*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub>	330	0.399	0.006	0.0111732	1.08*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub>	390	0.348	0.014	0.0111722	2.55*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub> S <sub>8</sub>	0	0.599	0.026	0.0111768	4.68*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub> S <sub>8</sub>	15	0.990	0.017	0.0111840	3.14*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub> S <sub>8</sub>	30	1.058	0.008	0.0111853	1.53*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub> S <sub>8</sub>	45	1.553	0.015	0.0111944	2.69*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub> S <sub>8</sub>	60	1.490	0.010	0.0111932	1.84*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub> S <sub>8</sub>	90	1.776	0.015	0.0111985	2.82*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub> S <sub>8</sub>	120	1.905	0.013	0.0112009	2.33*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub> S <sub>8</sub>	150	1.997	0.011	0.0112025	1.92*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub> S <sub>8</sub>	210	1.951	0.009	0.0112017	1.64*10 <sup>−7</sup>
L <sub>8</sub> S <sub>8</sub>	270	1.948	0.008	0.0112016	1.44*10 <sup>−7</sup>

Experimental outputs of rubisco KIE assay;  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  vs. time is plotted in Figure S1A. Average  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  or  $^{13}\text{R}$  ( $n = 10$  analytical replicates) is reported with standard error (standard deviation divided by square root of  $n$ ).

**Table S2.** Literature compilation of data used to make Figure 1A.

Strain	Form	Phylum	Specificity	KIE	Notes	Specificity Reference	KIE Reference
Prochlorococcus marinus MIT9313	IA	Cyanobacteria	59.9 ± 7.0	24.0 [22.2, 25.6]a	pH 7.5, 25 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub> , 25°C, expressed from E coli	[54]	[24]

Synechococcus elongatus PCC6301	IB	Cyanobacteria	56.1 ± 1.3	22.42 ± 2.37b	pH 8.49, 30 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub> , 22C, expressed from E coli	[30]	This paper
Synechococcus elongatus PCC6301	IB	Cyanobacteria	50.3 ± 2.0	25.18 ± 0.31b	pH 8.38, 30 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub> , 22C, expressed from E coli	[54]	[50]
Synechococcus elongatus PCC6301	IB	Cyanobacteria	42.7 ± 2.8	22.0 ± 0.2c	pH 8.1, 25 mM Mg(2+), 25C, expressed from E coli	[55]	[25]
Candidatus Promineofilum breve	I'	Chloroflexi	36.1 ± 0.9	16.25 ± 1.36b	pH 8.52, 30 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub> , 22C, expressed from E coli	[30]	This paper
Rhodospirillum rubrum	II	Proteobacteria	12.5 ± 0.6	23.0 ± 0.6c	pH 7.9, 25 mM Mg(2+), 25C, expressed from E coli	[55]	[25]
Rhodospirillum rubrum	II	Proteobacteria	12.5 ± 0.6	19.6 ± 0.4c	pH 7.9, 2 mM Mg(2+), 25C, expressed from E coli	[55]	[25]
Rhodospirillum rubrum	II	Proteobacteria	12.5 ± 0.6	22.2 ± 2.1b	pH 8.0, 20 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub> , room temp?, expressed from E coli (XL1-blue)	[55]	[52]
Rhodospirillum rubrum	II	Proteobacteria	12.5 ± 0.6	17.8 ± 0.8b	pH 7.8, 10 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub> , 25C, "gift from John Schloss"	[55]	[53]
Candidatus Endorifita persephone	II	Proteobacteria	8.6 ± 0.9	19.5 ± 1.0c	pH 8.0, 30C, 5 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub> , purified from R pachyptila trophosomes	[44]	[44]

For KIE measurements: Each figure reports uncertainty on the measurement in a different way; superscripts indicate: *a* 95% confidence interval; *b* standard deviation; *c* standard error. Strains for *R. rubrum* not specified in [25,52,53]. We only used data where a pure enzyme, substrate-depletion assay like ours was done. In addition, we only used data from well-characterized strains where rubisco was obtained through expression in *E. coli*. Therefore, we are not including the [46] measurement because it was done in a tobacco plant mutant expressing an *R. rubrum* rubisco sequence *in vivo*, and KIE was calculated by extrapolating to a ratio of intercellular to ambient CO<sub>2</sub> (C<sub>i</sub>/C<sub>a</sub>) of

1. In addition, we are only showing Form IA/B data from Cyanobacteria and therefore do not include plants or the *Solemya velum* symbiont [36]. Assay temperature was assumed to be room temperature for [52]; rubisco was assumed to be expressed from *E. coli* in [53]. In addition, only the pH 7.9, 25 mM Mg<sup>2+</sup> condition from [25] was plotted in Figure 1B. See Table 3 in [13] for a recent compilation of all measured KIEs. For Specificity measurements: Most specificity values were not reported with the study, with the exception of this paper and [44,50]. Therefore, specificity values were taken from [30,54] where indicated.

**Table S3.** Additional Specificity and KIE values used for Figure 1B.

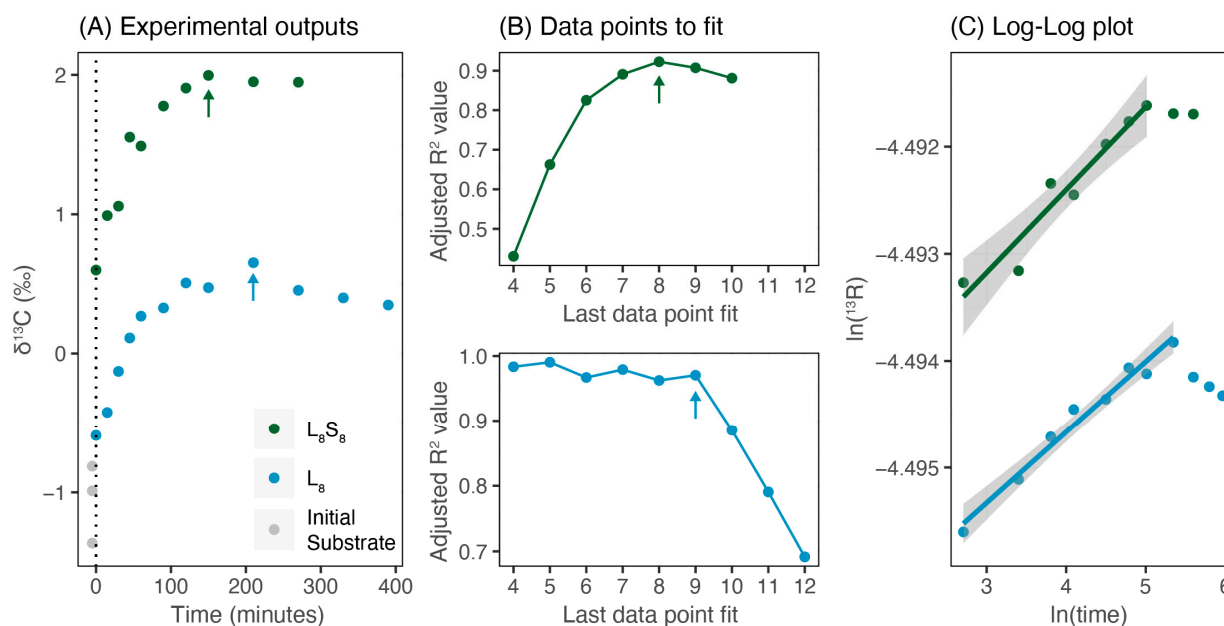
Strain	Form	Specificity	KIE (%)	Specificity Reference	KIE Reference
Ralstonia eutropha	IC	75	19 [17.5, 20.4]	[56]	[37]
Rhodobacter sphaeroides	IC	60	22.4 [21.1, 24.0]	[56]	[37]
Emiliana huxleyi	ID	79	11.1 [9.8, 12.6]	[57]	[61]
Skeletonema costatum	ID	72.2 ± 2.2	18.5 [17.0, 19.9]	[58]	[62]
Spinacia oleracea	IB	77.2 ± 1.4	30.3 ± 0.8	[59]	[25]
Spinacia oleracea	IB	77.2 ± 1.4	29 ± 1	[59]	[63]
Spinacia oleracea	IB	77.2 ± 1.4	28.2 [26.6, 29.8]	[59]	[36]
Nicotiana tabacum	IB	82.1 ± 0.8	27.4 ± 0.9	[60]	[52]

Data compilation is similar to that used in Figure 4 from [37]. Most specificity values were measured separate from the KIE and are taken from other prior literature [56–60], similar to what was done by [37]. *Solemya velum* gill symbiont (Form IA, KIE = 24.4‰) from [36] was not included because the specificity could not be found. In addition, [25] gives two values at two different assay conditions for *S. oleracea*; here we use the value at pH 8.5, 20 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> but they also report a KIE of 29.0 ± 0.3‰ at pH 7.6, 5 mM Mg<sup>2+</sup>. KIE values are from [25,36,37,52,61–63]. Error in brackets is reported as mean with 95% confidence intervals; otherwise error is reported as mean ± s.e.

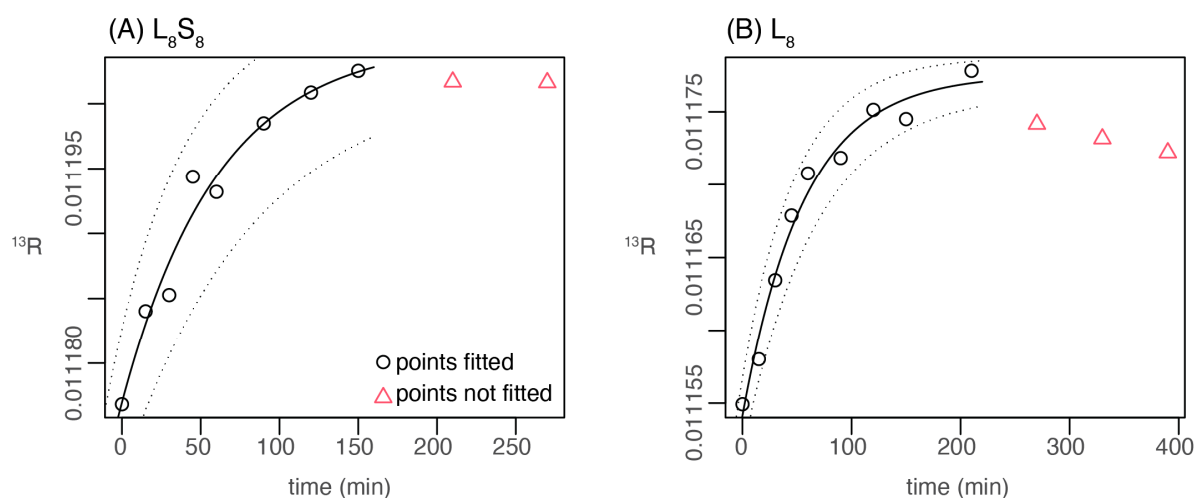
**Table S4.** Model outputs for converting time to *f*.

Rubisco	Parameter	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )	Signif. Code
L <sub>8</sub> S <sub>8</sub>	a	−2.786*10 <sup>−5</sup>	2.759*10 <sup>−6</sup>	−10.097	1.63*10 <sup>−4</sup>	***
L <sub>8</sub> S <sub>8</sub>	b	1.640*10 <sup>−2</sup>	4.310*10 <sup>−3</sup>	3.804	0.012573	*
L <sub>8</sub> S <sub>8</sub>	c	1.120*10 <sup>−2</sup>	2.908*10 <sup>−6</sup>	3852.671	< 2*10 <sup>−16</sup>	***
L <sub>8</sub>	a	−2.338*10 <sup>−5</sup>	1.369*10 <sup>−6</sup>	−17.072	2.58*10 <sup>−6</sup>	***
L <sub>8</sub>	b	1.769*10 <sup>−2</sup>	2.767*10 <sup>−3</sup>	6.392	6.90*10 <sup>−4</sup>	***
L <sub>8</sub>	c	1.118*10 <sup>−2</sup>	1.203*10 <sup>−6</sup>	9291.937	< 2*10 <sup>−16</sup>	***

The nonlinear least squares function in R Statistical Software was used for calculation with initial guesses of a = −1\*10<sup>−5</sup>, b = 0.1, c = 0.01 for L<sub>8</sub>S<sub>8</sub>; a = −1\*10<sup>−4</sup>, b = 0.1, c = 0.01 for L<sub>8</sub>. The parameter *c* gives R<sub>upper</sub> in Equation 1, which then allows time to be converted to *f*. For L<sub>8</sub>S<sub>8</sub>, the model found a residual standard error of 1.252\*10<sup>−6</sup> on 6 degrees of freedom, required 5 iterations to convergence, and achieved a convergence tolerance of 1.405\*10<sup>−6</sup>. For L<sub>8</sub>, the model found a residual standard error of 1.252\*10<sup>−6</sup> on 6 degrees of freedom, required 5 iterations to convergence, and achieved a convergence tolerance of 1.405\*10<sup>−6</sup>. The significant codes indicate: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1. All analyses were performed using R Statistical Software (v4.1.0; R Core Team 2021, [41]).

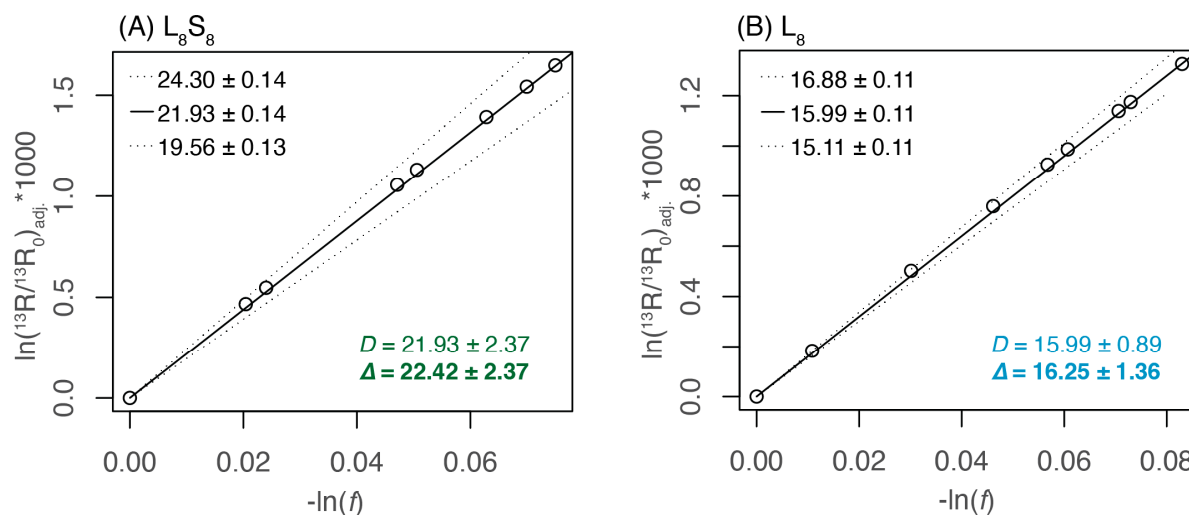


**Figure S1.** Data preprocessing step. A) Experimental outputs of rubisco KIE assay, showing how the  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  of the  $\text{CO}_2$  headspace evolves over the experiment. The first time point taken is shown at 0 minutes, and the initial  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  substrate is shown plotted at -5 minutes for ease of comparison. The arrow indicates the final data point to fit after preprocessing. B) Subplots showing the adjusted  $R^2$  value for the  $\text{L}_8\text{S}_8$  (above, green) and the  $\text{L}_8$  rubisco (below, blue) for linear regressions across different lengths of log-transformed data points. Arrows indicate where the  $R^2$  value starts to decrease (point 8 for  $\text{L}_8\text{S}_8$  rubisco in green; point 9 for  $\text{L}_8$  rubisco in blue); these arrows refer to the same point in Panel A. C) Linear regression across natural log-transformed data to data point 8 for the  $\text{L}_8\text{S}_8$  rubisco (green) and to data point 9 for the  $\text{L}_8$  rubisco (blue). Note the isotopic data is in  $^{13}\text{R}$  vs.  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  format. The first data point is not plotted because the natural log of zero is undefined. All analyses were performed using R Statistical Software (v4.1.0; R Core Team 2021, [41]). Data visualization was performed using the *ggplot2* package (v3.3.6; Wickham, 2016, [64]).



**Figure S2.** Calculating  $f$  from time. Plots showing best fit exponential model for (A)  $\text{L}_8\text{S}_8$  vs. (B)  $\text{L}_8$  rubisco in solid black line. Dotted lines indicate model uncertainty (std. dev.). See Table S3 for best-fit model parameters. Open black circles are points fitted, as determined in Figure S1. Open red

triangles are the points not fit. All analyses and data visualization were performed using R Statistical Software (v4.1.0; R Core Team 2021, [41]).



**Figure S3.** Rayleigh plots with equilibrium adjustment. A) and B) show  $\text{L}_8\text{S}_8$  and  $\text{L}_8$  rubisco with equilibrium adjustment for  $^{13}\text{R}$  values (Equation 2; [25]) before linear regression. Solid line gives best fit value using  $f$  values calculated from the best estimate for parameter  $c$ . Dotted lines give fit for  $f$  values calculated using the best estimate  $\pm$  std. error for  $c$  as shown in Table S3. Slopes for each line are reported in the upper left corner (best estimate  $\pm$  std. error).  $D$  is the slope of the solid, best fit line.  $\Delta$  is converted from  $D$  using  $\Delta = D/(1-D/1000)$  [25]. All analyses and data visualization were performed using R Statistical Software (v4.1.0; R Core Team 2021, [41]).