

Supplementary Material for

**Stress Responses and Ammonia Nitrogen Removal
Efficiency of *Oocystis lacustris* in Saline
Ammonium-Contaminated Wastewater Treatment**

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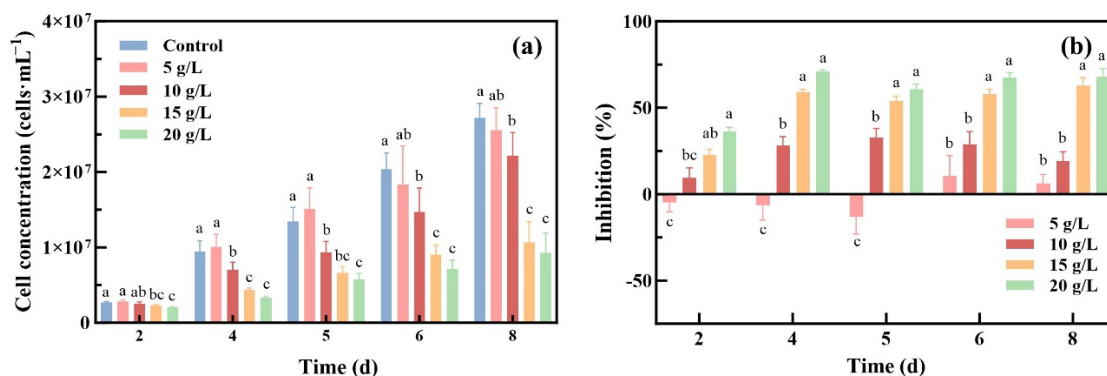


Figure S1. Growth of *Oocystis lacustris* at different Na_2SO_4 concentrations - September 2022. (a) Cell concentration; (b) inhibition of yield. (At the same cultivation time, different letters on adjacent bars indicate significant differences ($p < 0.05$), while the same letter indicates no significant difference.)

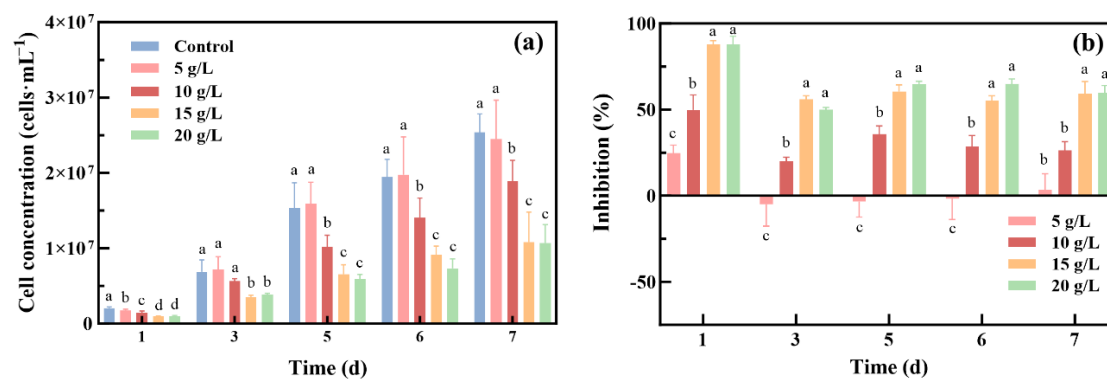


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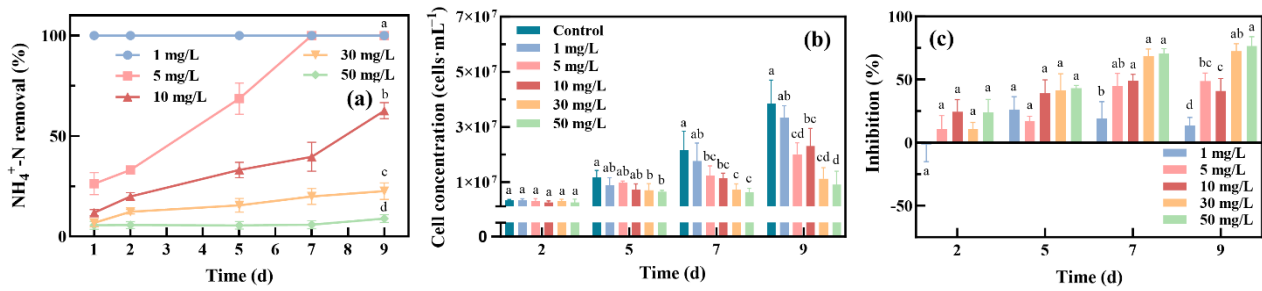


Figure S3. Treatment of *Oocystis lacustris* in the EX phase (8×10^5 cells/mL) with different concentrations of $\text{NH}_4^+\text{-N}$ - September 2022. (a) $\text{NH}_4^+\text{-N}$ removal rate; (b) cell concentration; (c) inhibition of yield. (At the same cultivation time, different letters on adjacent bars indicate significant differences ($p < 0.05$), while the same letter indicates no significant difference.)

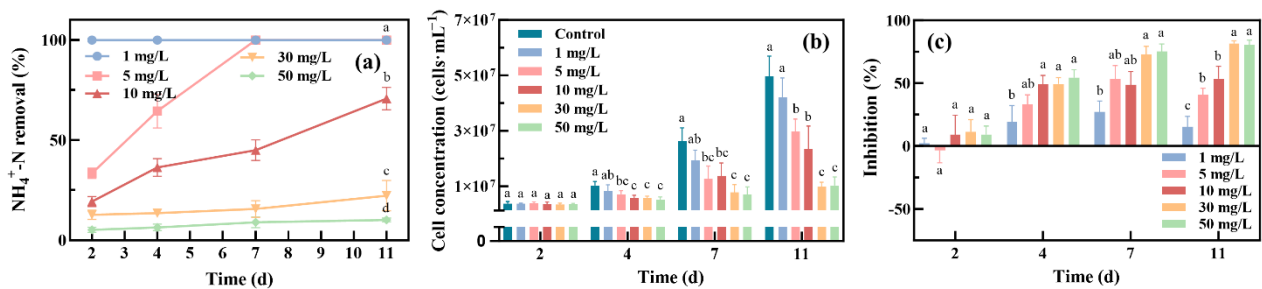


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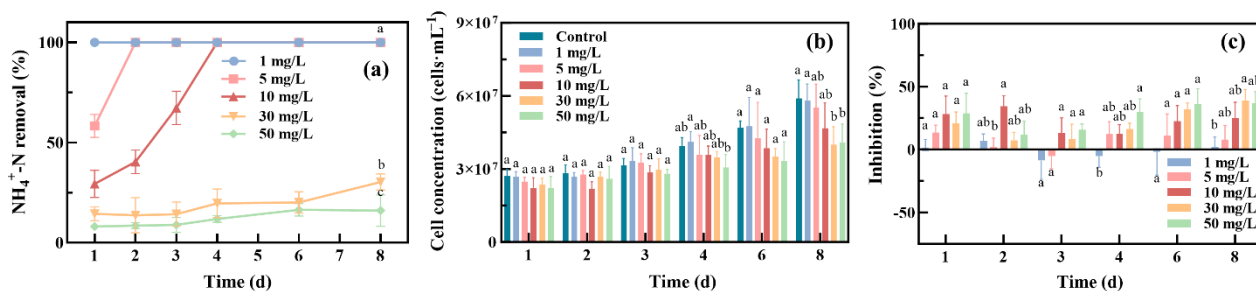


Figure S5. Treatment of *Oocystis lacustris* in the STA phase (2×10^7 cells/mL) with different concentrations of $\text{NH}_4^+\text{-N}$ - September 2022. **(a)** $\text{NH}_4^+\text{-N}$ removal rate; **(b)** cell concentration; **(c)** inhibition of yield. (At the same cultivation time, different letters on adjacent bars indicate significant differences ($p < 0.05$), while the same letter indicates no significant difference.)

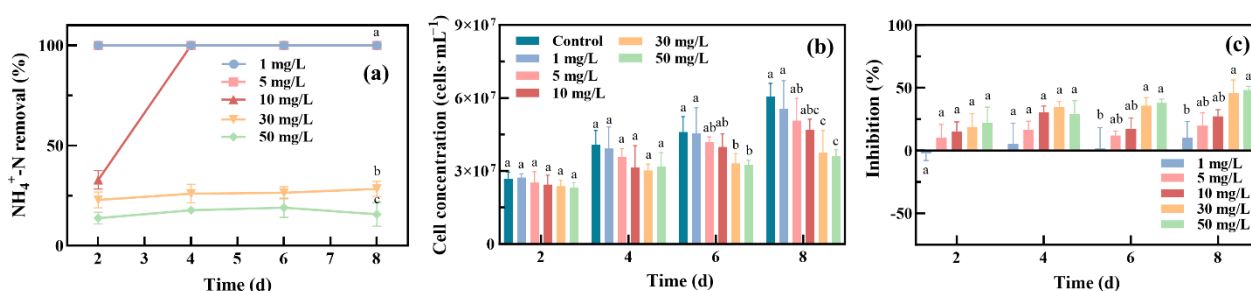


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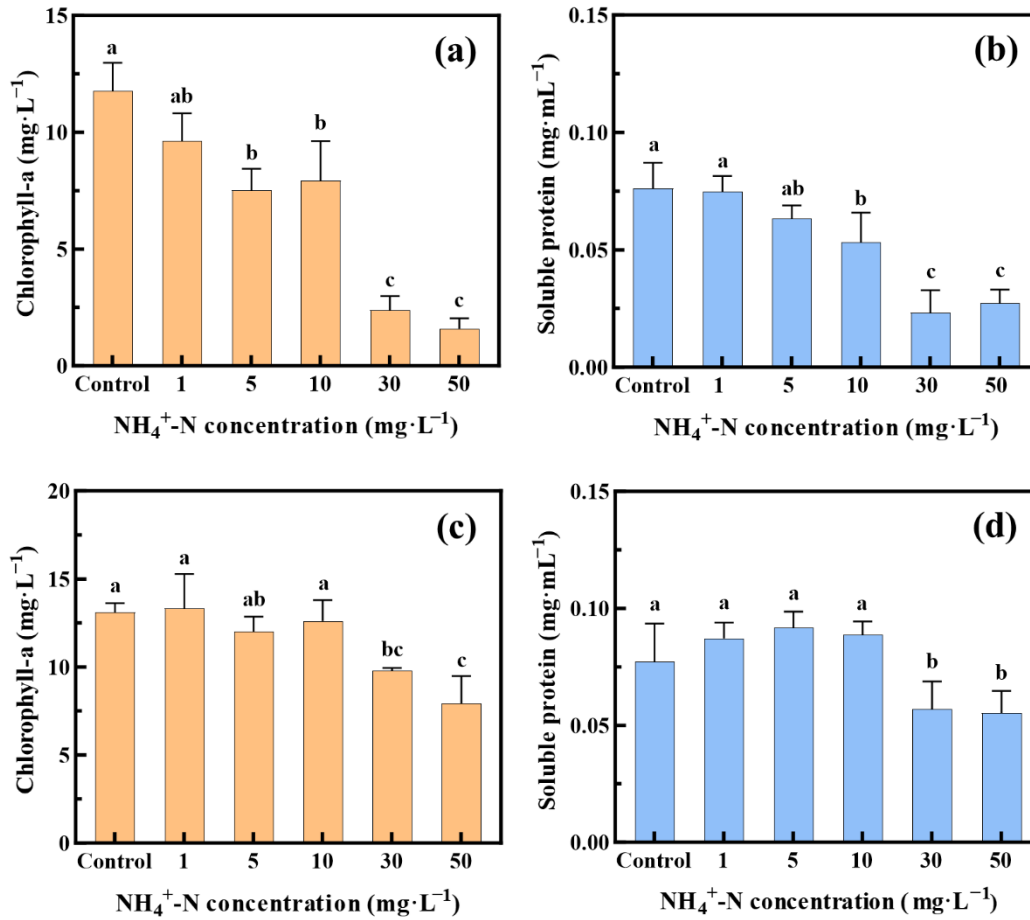


Figure S7. Variations in chlorophyll-a and soluble protein contents within *Oocystis lacustris* cells at different $\text{NH}_4^+\text{-N}$ concentrations on the 8th day - September 2022. **(a,b)** Changes in chlorophyll-a and soluble protein contents within algal cells in the EX phase; **(c,d)** changes in chlorophyll-a and soluble protein contents within algal cells in the STA phase. (Different letters on adjacent bars indicate significant differences ($p < 0.05$), while the same letter indicates no significant difference.)

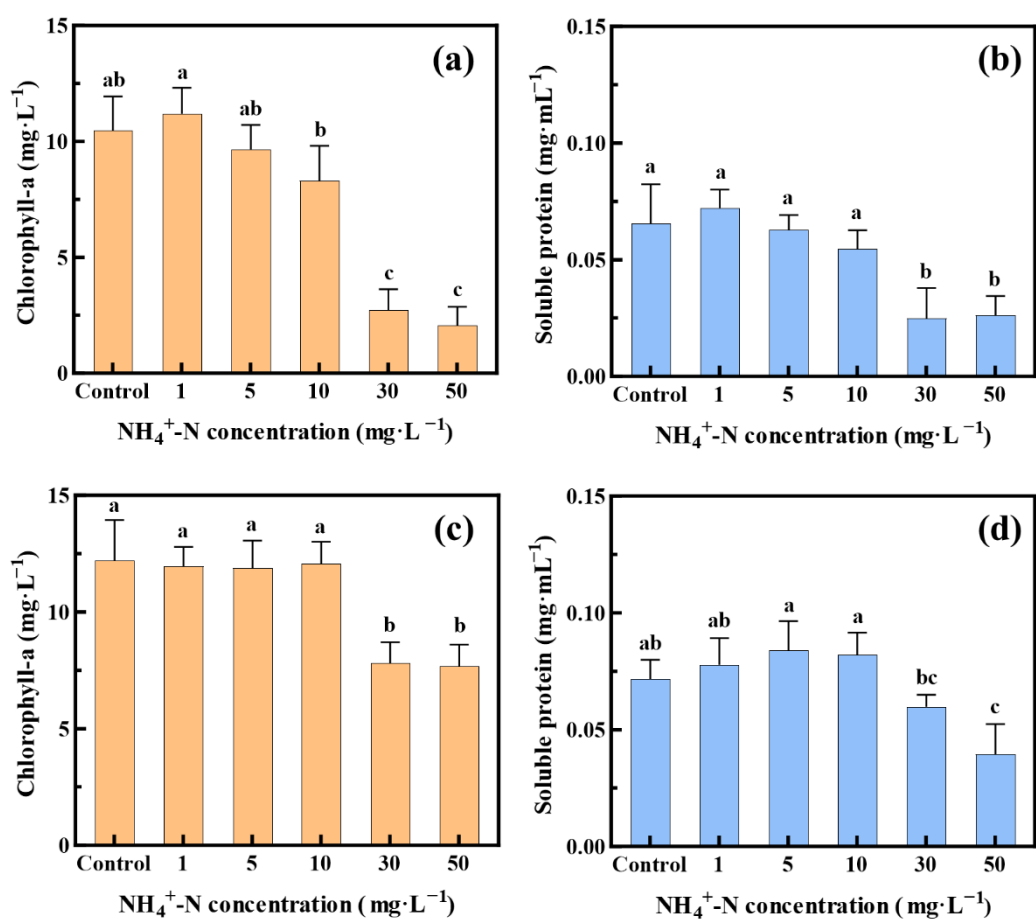


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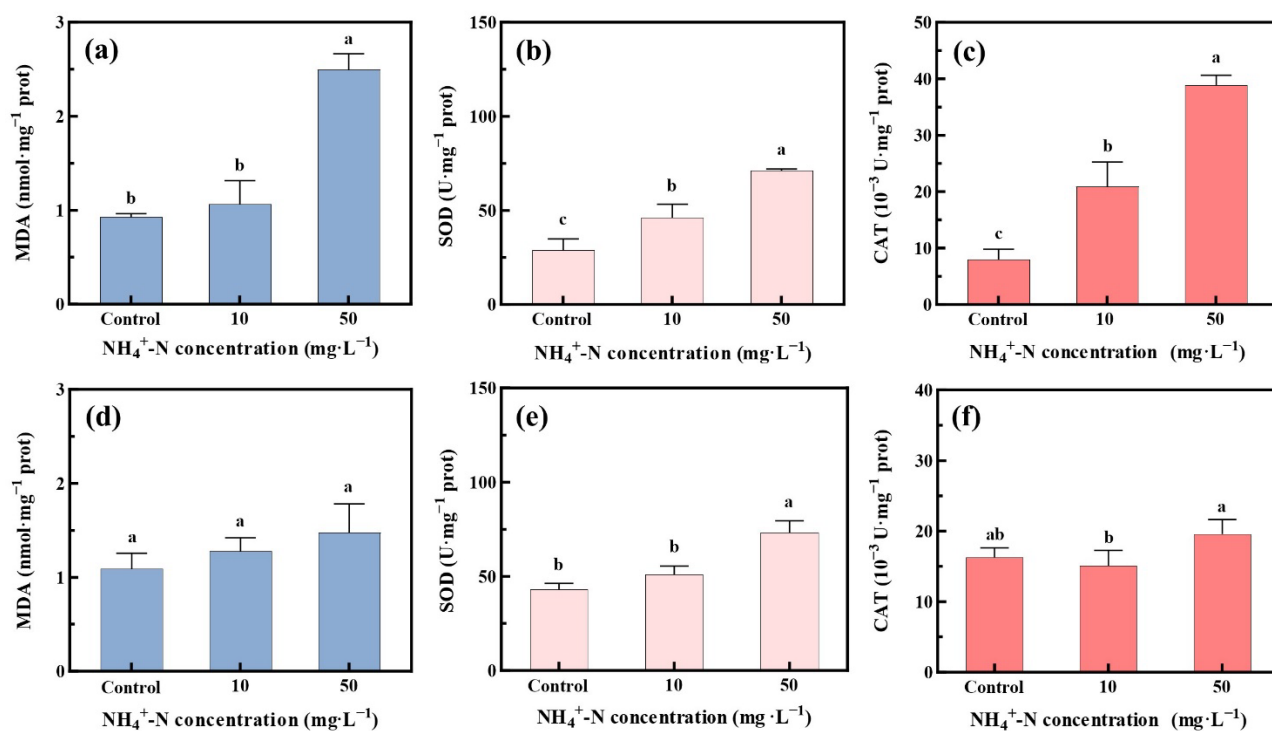


Figure S9. Oxidative stress status within *Oocystis lacustris* cells treated with different concentrations of $\text{NH}_4^+\text{-N}$ on the 8th day - September 2022. **(a–c)** MDA concentration and SOD and CAT activities within algal cells in the EX phase; **(d–f)** MDA concentration and SOD and CAT activities within algal cells in the STA phase. (Different letters on adjacent bars indicate significant differences ($p < 0.05$), while the same letter indicates no significant difference.)

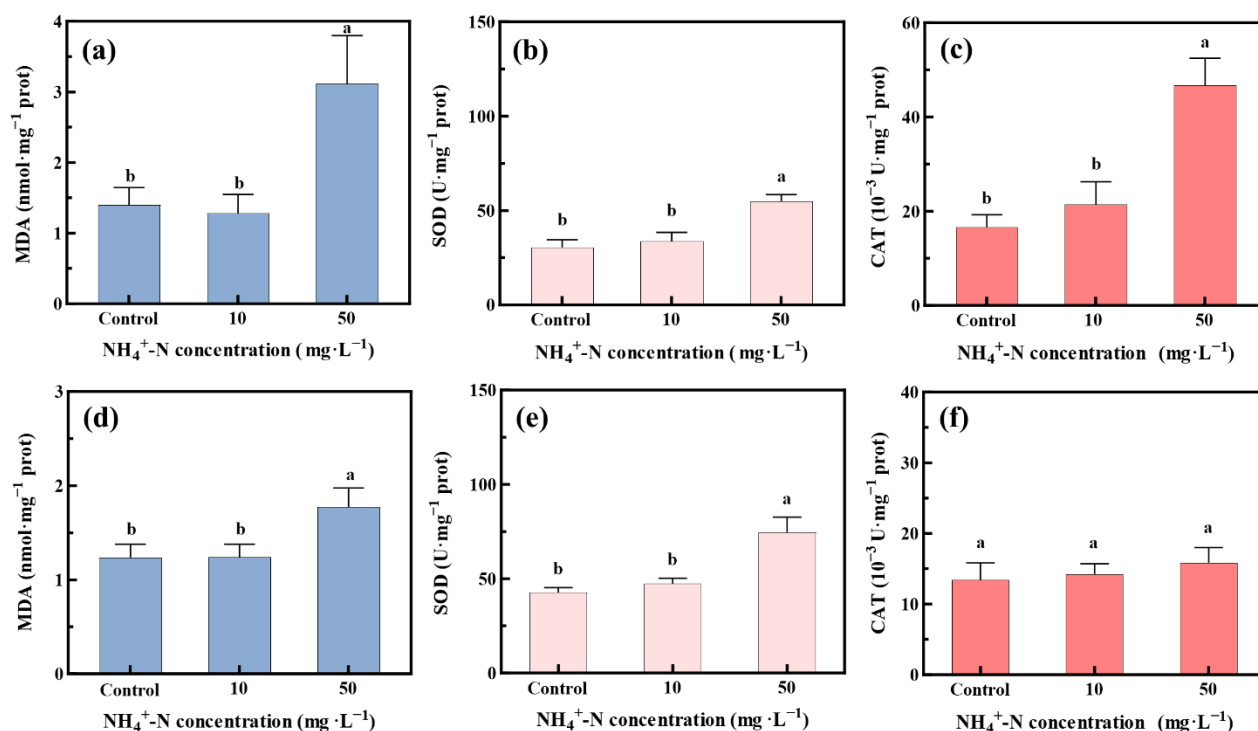


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Figure S11. Microscopic morphology of *Oocystis lacustris* cells in the EX phase on the 8th day: Two cells enveloped in a pectinaceous gelatinous sheath of control group.

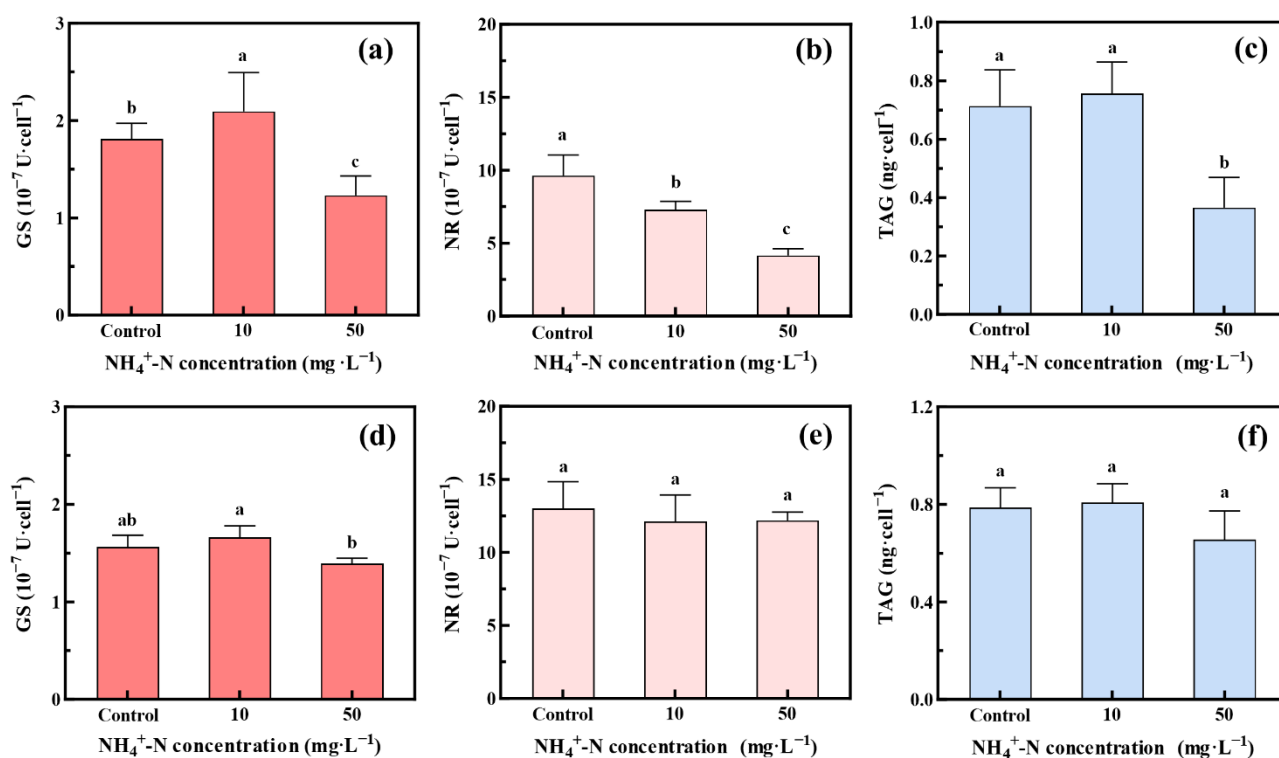


Figure S12. Changes in nitrogen metabolism enzymes and TAG activity within *Oocystis lacustris* treated by different $\text{NH}_4^+\text{-N}$ concentrations - September 2022: (a) GS, (b) NR, and (c) TAG within algal cells in the EX phase; (d) GS, (e) NR, and (f) TAG within algal cells in the STA phase. (Different letters on adjacent bars indicate significant differences ($p < 0.05$), while the same letter indicates no significant difference.)

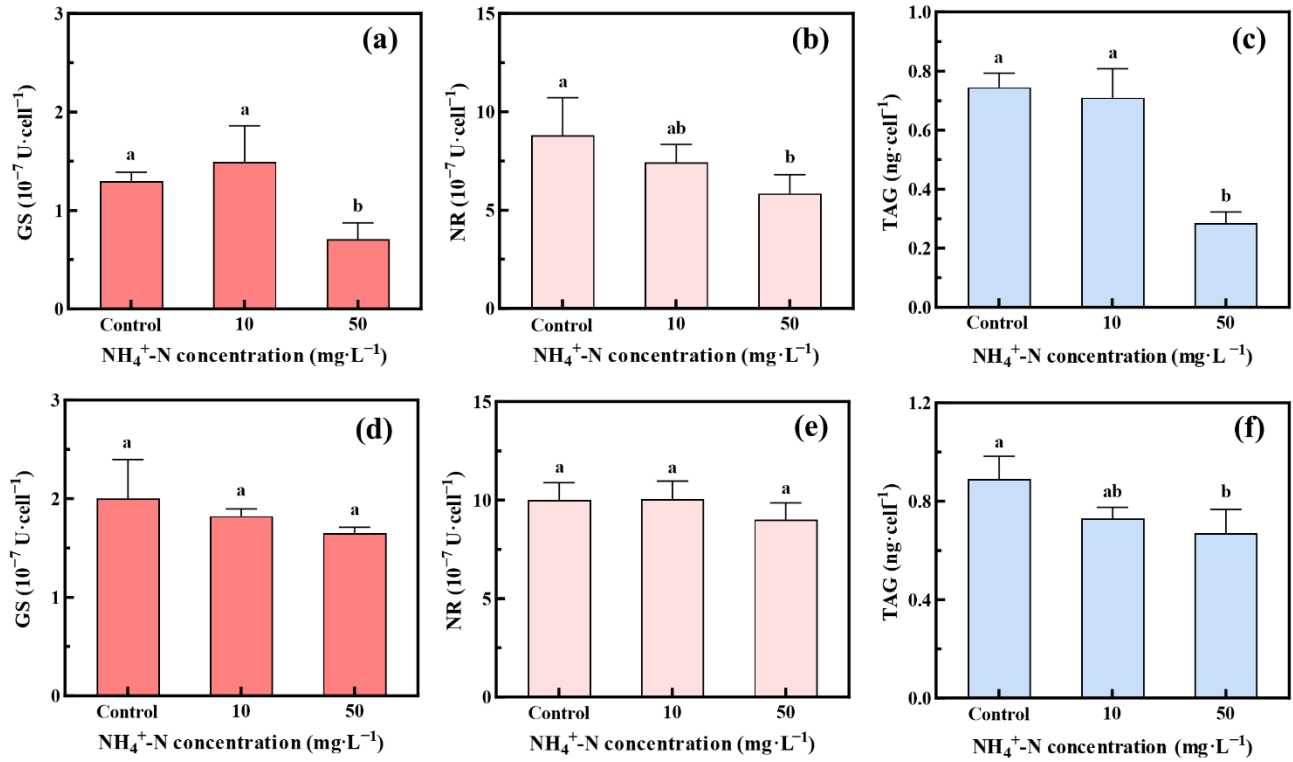


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