Table IV. Photosynthesis and Photorespiration in Wheat Protoplasts

Protoplasts were illuminated (180 w/m²) 8 min in an O₂ electrode before the CO₂ concentration was lowered by adding 10.5 mm Tris to increase the pH to 8.1. Radioactive CO₂ (55 Ci/mol) was added after 6 or 12 min, and samples withdrawn for measurement of CO₂ fixation at 5-s intervals.

Conditions		Fluxes		
O_2	CO_2	Net O ₂ evolution	Total CO ₂ uptake	Estimate of photo-respiration
%		μmol/mg Chl·h		
25	$1.4 (500 \mu M)$	96	101	~5
39	$0.01~(4~\mu M)$	8	21	13