Table 1 Pigment and protein contents of leaves and light-saturated activities of partial reactions of photosynthesis in thylakoids isolated from leaves of HN and LN beans, and capacity of PS II photochemistry $(F_{\rm V}/F_{\rm M})$, measured from dark adapted leaves

	Chl $(a+b)$, μ g cm ⁻²			(V + A + Z + N + L)/ Chl a, mmol mol ⁻¹	$F_{\rm V}/F_{\rm M}$	O_2 evolution, $\mu mol~O_2~(mg~Chl)^{-1}~h^{-1}$	$\begin{array}{c} DCIP \ photo\text{-reduction}, \\ \mu mol \ DCIP \ (mg \ Chl)^{-1} \ h^{-1} \end{array}$	O_2 consumption (DCIPH ₂ \rightarrow MV), μ mol O_2 (mg Chl) ⁻¹ h ⁻¹
HN	22.6 ± 2.3	3.3 ± 0.3	0.86 ± 0.05	148	0.80 ± 0.016^a	260 ± 11	129 ± 16	284 ± 6
LN	11.3 ± 1.9	3.1 ± 0.5	0.76 ± 0.07	161	0.71 ± 0.035^a	288 ± 8	137 ± 11	305 ± 8

V+A+Z+N+L is the sum of violaxanthin, antheraxanthin, zeaxanthin, neoxanthin and lutein. The PPFD of the saturating flash used for the measurement of F_V/F_M was 5,000 μ mol m⁻² s⁻¹ and the PPFD used to measure the activities of the partial reactions was approximately 3,000 μ mol m⁻² s⁻¹. Each value represents the mean \pm SD of three independent experiments

a Each value is an average of eight measurements