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Introduction Algonquin is strong tolerance capability under drought condition. However, it can not survive more than 5 years in Chifeng city of Inner Mongolia. The photosynthesis rate (Pn) and the transpiration rate (Tr) of plants leave are the major driver of its growth. The study aimed to compare Pn and Tr of Algonquin with different growth years to find out the differences to deeply understand the suitability of Algonquin in this place.

Materials and methods Algonquin was seed in Chifeng city of Inner Mongolia (2003,2005,2006). The spot area was 2.5×10 m = 25m². 15 healthy plants were selected, and was used a LI-6400 photosynthesis system (Licor Co., USA) to measure Pn and Tr. The measure time was from 7.00a m to 7.00p m and every 2 hours were to do them once.

Results and discussion Pn of 4a, which indicated that Algonquin growth years was 4 years, was higher than 1a and 2a (Figure 1), but their maximum of Pn for 1a, 2a and 4a were 13 02, 12 06 and 17 91μ molCO₂/m²/s at 11 00 a.m., and the minimum of Pn appeared 17 $90\sim19$ 90p m. Seen from the Figure 2, the transpiration daily trend of it showed that the transpiration rate were $1a \ge 4a \ge 2a$ at all. And the maximum Tr of 1a was 9 $.97 \text{ mmolH}_2 \text{ O/m}^2$ /s at 11 .00a m, and 2a and 4a were 3 .36 and 4. 14 mmolH₂O/m²/s at 15 .90p m, the minimum were 2 .47, 1 .01 and 1 $.60 \text{ mmolH}_2 \text{ O/m}^2$ /s separately and all appeared near 7 .90a m. This could indicate Pn and Tr of 1a both appeared at 11 .00a m, which indicated that the metabolism of Algonquin of 1a was the strongest at that time. That's, the accumulation of the matter was less. However, the maximum of Pn and Tr of 2a and 4a appeared different stages. They had time to accumulate the more energy. So they grew faster and stronger relatively.

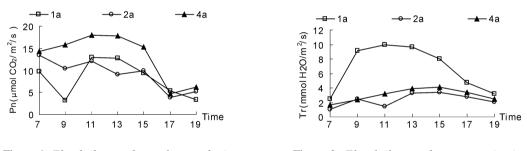


Figure 1 The daily trend of photosynthesis rate of $A \log optime 1$.

Figure 2 The daily trend of transpiration rate of Algoquin.

Conclusions As to different growth years of Algonquin , the trends of Pn and Tr were different . And the maximum of Pn and Tr of 1a both appeared at 11:00a.m, the maximum of Pn and Tr of 2a and 4a appeared different stages ,11:00 a.m and 15:00a.m.

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