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39 Harmful algal blooms (HABs) cause significant economic and ecological damage
40 worldwide. Despite considerable efforts, a comprehensive understanding of the factors that
41 promote these blooms has been lacking because the biochemical pathways that facilitate
42 their dominance relative to other phytoplankton within specific environments have not
43 been identified. Here, biogeochemical measurements demonstrated that the harmful alga
44 *Aureococcus anophagefferens* outcompeted co-occurring phytoplankton in estuaries with
45 elevated levels of dissolved organic matter and turbidity and low levels of dissolved
46 inorganic nitrogen. We subsequently sequenced the first HAB genome (*A.*
47 *anophagefferens*) and compared its gene complement to those of six competing
48 phytoplankton species identified via metaproteomics. Using an ecogenomic approach, we
49 specifically focused on the gene sets that may facilitate dominance within the
50 environmental conditions present during blooms. *A. anophagefferens* possesses a larger
51 genome (56 mbp) and more genes involved in light harvesting, organic carbon and nitrogen
52 utilization, and encoding selenium- and metal-requiring enzymes than competing
53 phytoplankton. Genes for the synthesis of microbial deterrents likely permit the
54 proliferation of this species with reduced mortality losses during blooms. Collectively,
55 these findings suggest that anthropogenic activities resulting in elevated levels of turbidity,
56 organic matter, and metals have opened a niche within coastal ecosystems that ideally suits
57 the unique genetic capacity of *A. anophagefferens* and thus has facilitated the proliferation
58 of this and potentially other HABs.

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62 Harmful algal blooms (HABs) are caused by phytoplankton that have a negative impact
63 on ecosystems and coastal fisheries world-wide (1 – 4) and cost the US economy alone hundreds
64 of millions of dollars annually (5). The frequency and impacts of HABs have intensified in
65 recent decades and anthropogenic processes including eutrophication have been implicated in
66 this expansion (1 - 3). While there is great interest in mitigating the occurrence of HABs,
67 traditional approaches which have characterized biogeochemical conditions present during
68 blooms do not identify the aspects of the environment which are favorable to an individual algal
69 species. Predicting where, when, and under what environmental conditions HABs will occur has
70 further been inhibited by a limited understanding of the cellular attributes that facilitate the
71 proliferation of one phytoplankton species to the exclusion of others.

72 *Aureococcus anophagefferens* is a pelagophyte that causes harmful brown tide blooms
73 with densities exceeding 10^6 cells mL⁻¹ for extended periods in estuaries in the eastern US and in
74 South Africa (6). Brown tides do not produce toxins that poison humans, but have decimated
75 multiple fisheries and seagrass beds due to toxicity to bivalves and extreme light attenuation,
76 respectively (6). Brown tides are a prime example of the global expansion of HABs as these
77 blooms had never been documented prior to 1985, but have recurred in the US and South Africa
78 annually since then (6). Like many other HABs, *A. anophagefferens* blooms in shallow,
79 anthropogenically modified estuaries when levels of light and inorganic nutrients are low and
80 organic carbon and nitrogen concentrations are elevated (1 - 3).

81 For this study, we utilized a novel ecogenomic approach to assess the extent to which the
82 gene set of *A. anophagefferens* may permit its dominance under the environmental conditions
83 present in estuaries during brown tides. We characterized the biogeochemical conditions present

84 in estuaries before, during, and after *A. anophagefferens* blooms. Sequencing the first HAB
85 genome (*A. anophagefferens*), we compared its genome to those of six phytoplankton species
86 identified via metaproteomics to co-occur with this alga during blooms events. Using this
87 ecogenomic approach, we investigated how the gene sets of *A. anophagefferens* differ from the
88 six comparative phytoplankton species, and how these differences may affect the ability of *A.*
89 *anophagefferens* to compete in the physical (*e.g.* light harvesting), chemical (*e.g.* nutrients,
90 organic matter, trace metals), and ecological (*e.g.* defense against predators and allelopathy)
91 environment present during brown tides.

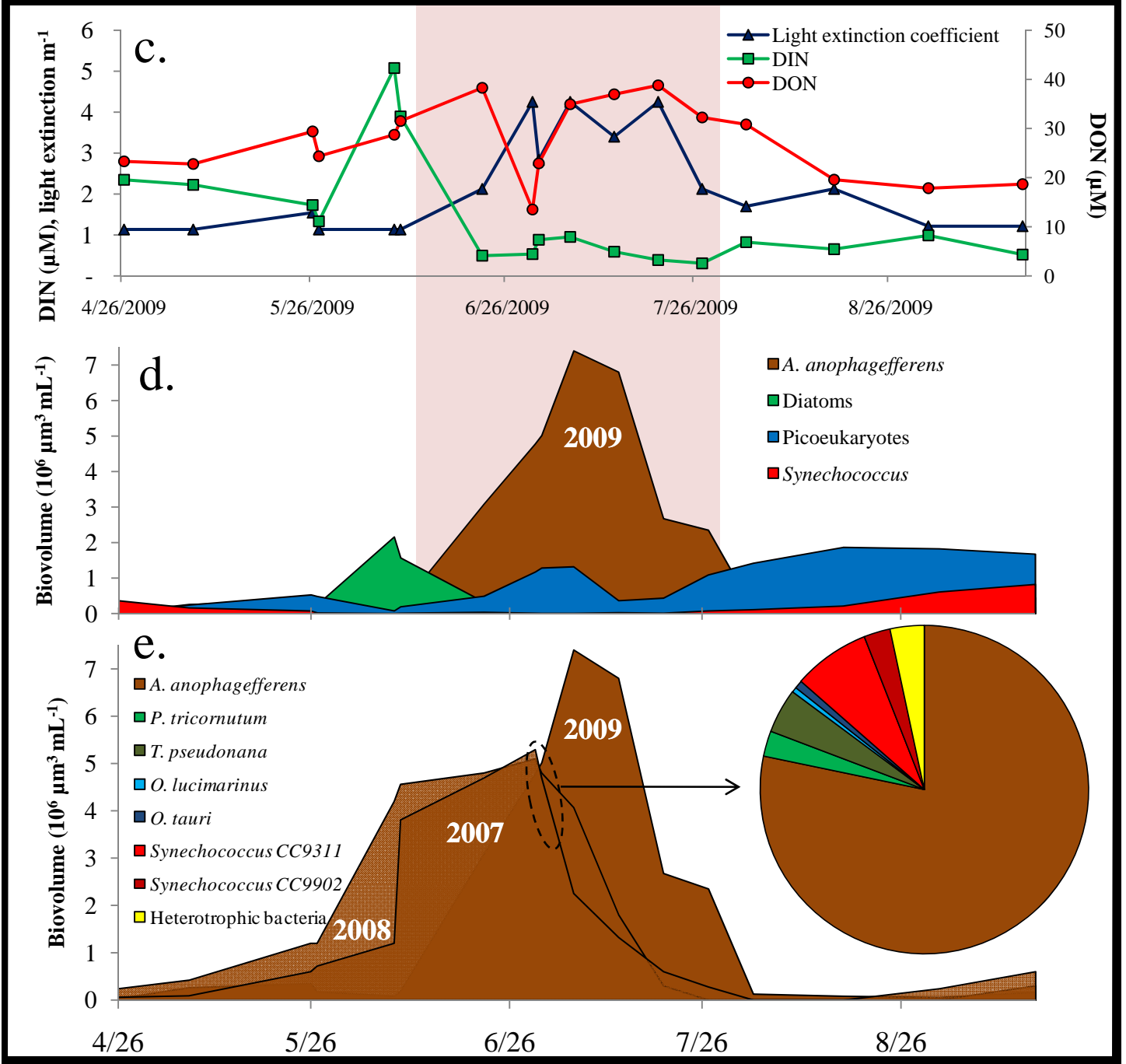
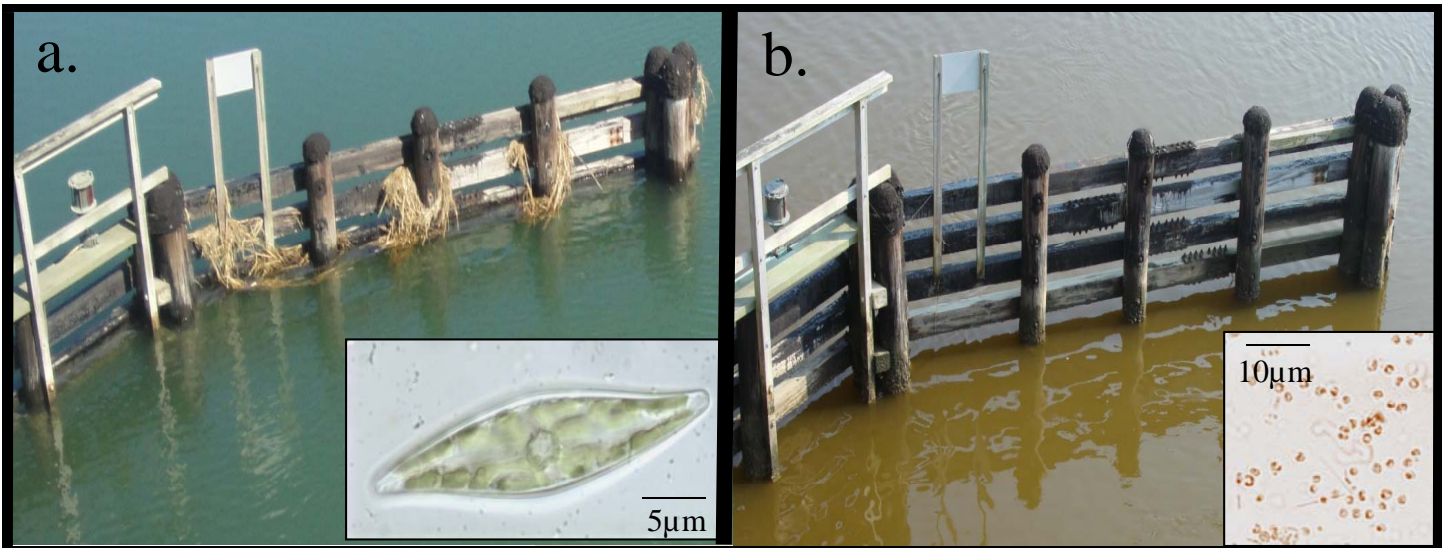
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93 **Results and Discussion**

94 During an investigation of an US estuary, Quantuck Bay, NY, from 2007 through 2009,
95 brown tides occurred annually from May through July, achieving abundances exceeding 10^6 cells
96 mL^{-1} or $5 \times 10^6 \mu\text{m}^3 \text{mL}^{-1}$ (Fig 1). *A. anophagefferens* was observed to bloom after spring
97 diatom blooms and outcompeted small ($< 2 \mu\text{m}$) eukaryotic and prokaryotic phytoplankton (*e.g.*
98 *Ostreococcus* and *Synechococcus*) during summer months (Fig 1D), a pattern consistent with
99 prior observations (7, 8). Concurrently, dissolved inorganic nitrogen levels were reduced to < 1
100 μM during blooms while dissolved organic nitrogen levels and light extinction were elevated
101 resulting in a system with decreased light availability and concentrations of dissolved organic
102 nitrogen exceeding those of dissolved inorganic nitrogen (Fig. 1C). Metaproteomic analyses of
103 planktonic communities were performed to identify phytoplankton that *A. anophagefferens* may
104 compete with during blooms by quantifying organism-specific peptides among the microbial
105 community. Performing such analyses on the plankton present in this estuary highlight the
106 dominance of *A. anophagefferens* and co-existence of the six phytoplankton species for which

107 complete genome sequences have been generated (Fig 1E): two coastal diatom species,
108 *Phaeodactylum tricornutum* (clone CCMP632) (9) and *Thalassiosira pseudonana* (clone CCMP
109 1335 (10) isolated from an embayment that now hosts brown tides (6)), and coastal zone isolates
110 of *Ostreococcus* (*O. lucimarinus* and *O. tauri* (11)) and *Synechococcus* (clones CC9311 (12) and
111 CC9902), small eukaryotic and prokaryotic phytoplankton, respectively, (Table 1, Fig 1). To
112 assess the extent to which the gene set of *A. anophagefferens* may permit its dominance within
113 the geochemical environment found in this estuary (Fig. 1C), the gene complement of *A.*
114 *anophagefferens* was determined by genome sequencing and was compared to those of the six
115 competing phytoplankton species (Table 1, Fig 1E).

116 Although phytoplankton genome size generally scales with cell size (15,16), *A.*
117 *anophagefferens* (2 μm) has a larger genome (56 Mbp) and more genes (~11,500) than the six
118 competing phytoplankton species (2.2 – 32 Mbp; 2,301 - 11,242 genes; Table 1 and Tables S1 to
119 S4). Its small cell size and thus larger surface area to volume ratio allows it to kinetically
120 outcompete larger phytoplankton for low levels of light and nutrients (17) while its large gene
121 content and more complex genetic repertoire may provide a competitive advantage over other
122 small phytoplankton with fewer genes. The *A. anophagefferens* genome contains the largest
123 number of unique genes relative to the six competing phytoplankton examined here (209 v. 12 -
124 79 unique genes; Table 1). Many of these enriched or unique genes are associated with light
125 harvesting, organic matter utilization, and metalloenzymes, as well as the synthesis of microbial
126 predation and competition deterrents (Supplementary Tables S5-S17). These enriched and
127 unique gene sets are involved in biochemical pathways related to the environmental conditions
128 prevailing during brown tides (Fig. 1), and thus are likely to facilitate the dominance of this alga
129 during chronic blooms that plague estuarine waters.



130 **Light harvesting** - Phytoplankton rely on light to photosynthetically fix carbon dioxide
131 into organic carbon, but the turbid, low light environment characteristic of estuaries and intense
132 shading during dense algal blooms (Fig. 1B,C) can strongly limit photosynthesis. *A.*
133 *anophagefferens* is better adapted to low light than the comparative phytoplankton species that
134 require at least three-fold higher light levels to achieve maximal growth rates (Fig. 2A). Its
135 genome contains the full suite of genes involved in photosynthesis, including 62 genes encoding
136 light harvesting complex (LHC) proteins (Fig. 2A). This is 1.5- to 3-times more than other
137 eukaryotic phytoplankton sequenced thus far (Fig. 2A and Table S7) and a feature that likely
138 enhances adaptation to low and/or dynamic light conditions found in turbid estuaries. LHC
139 proteins bind antenna chlorophyll and carotenoid pigments that augment the light capturing
140 capacity of the photosynthetic reaction centers (18,19). Twenty-six *A. anophagefferens* LHC
141 genes belong to a group that has only six representatives in *T. pseudonana* and one in *P.*
142 *tricornutum* (branch 'PHYMKG' in Fig. 3 and Fig. S1), but are similar to the multi-cellular
143 brown macroalgae, *Ectocarpus siliculosus* (20). Similar LHC genes in the microalgae *Emiliana*
144 *huxleyi* have recently been shown to be up-regulated under low light (21). We hypothesize that
145 these LHC genes encode the major light harvesting proteins for *A. anophagefferens*, and that the
146 enrichment of these proteins impart a competitive advantage in acquiring light under the low
147 irradiance conditions that prevail during blooms (Fig 1C).

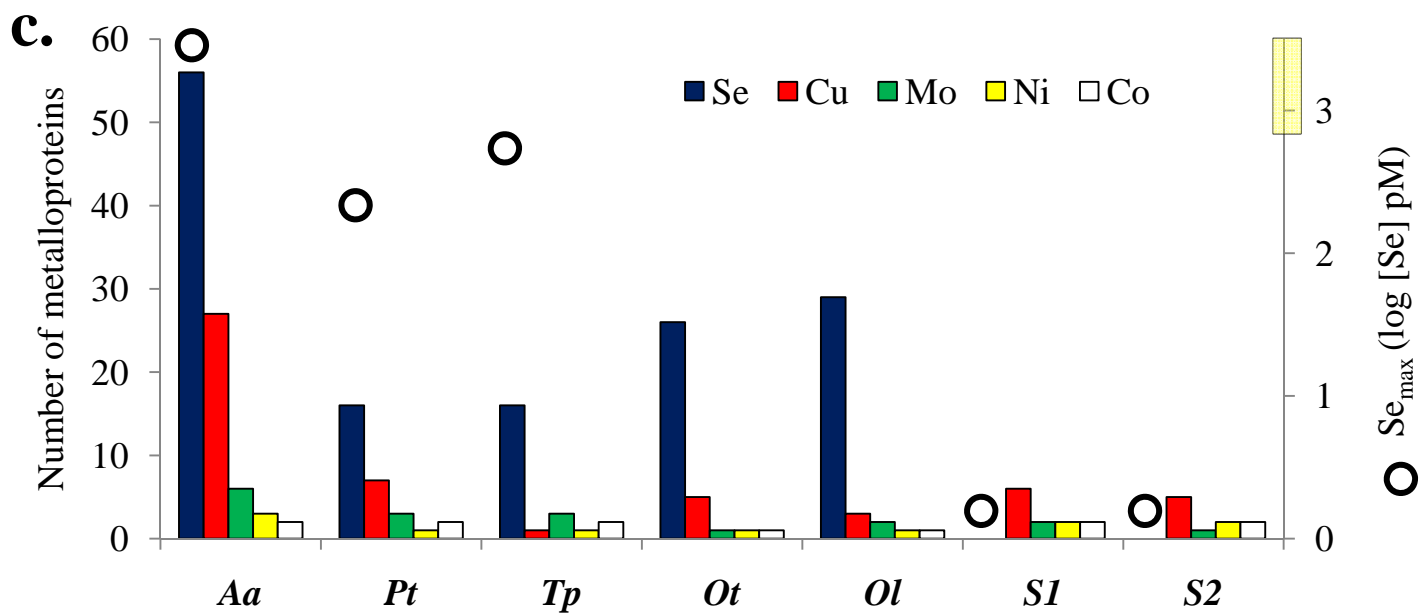
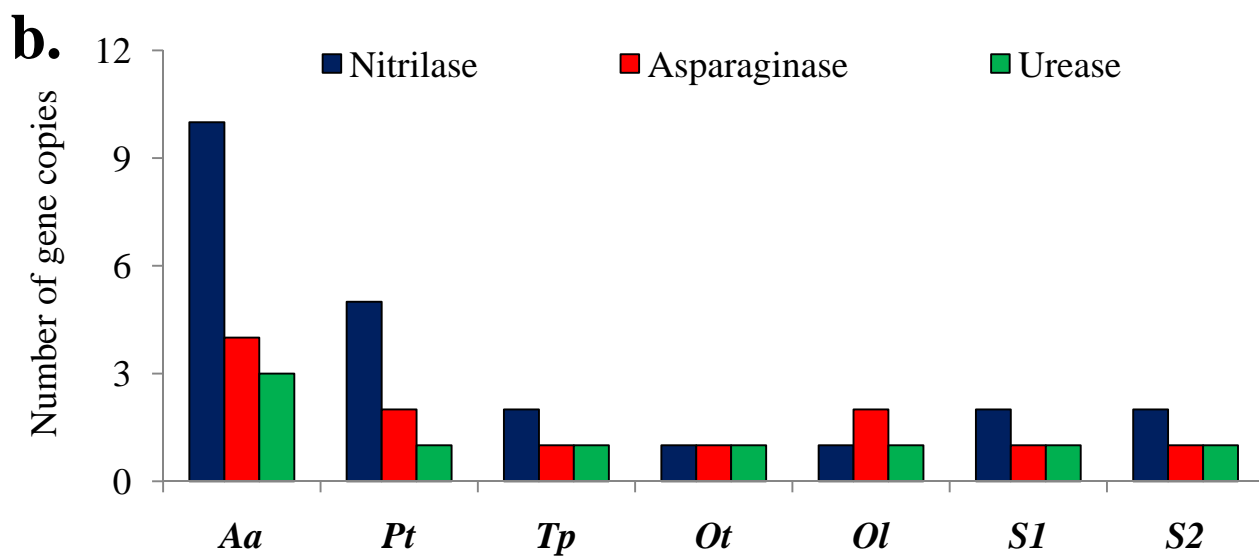
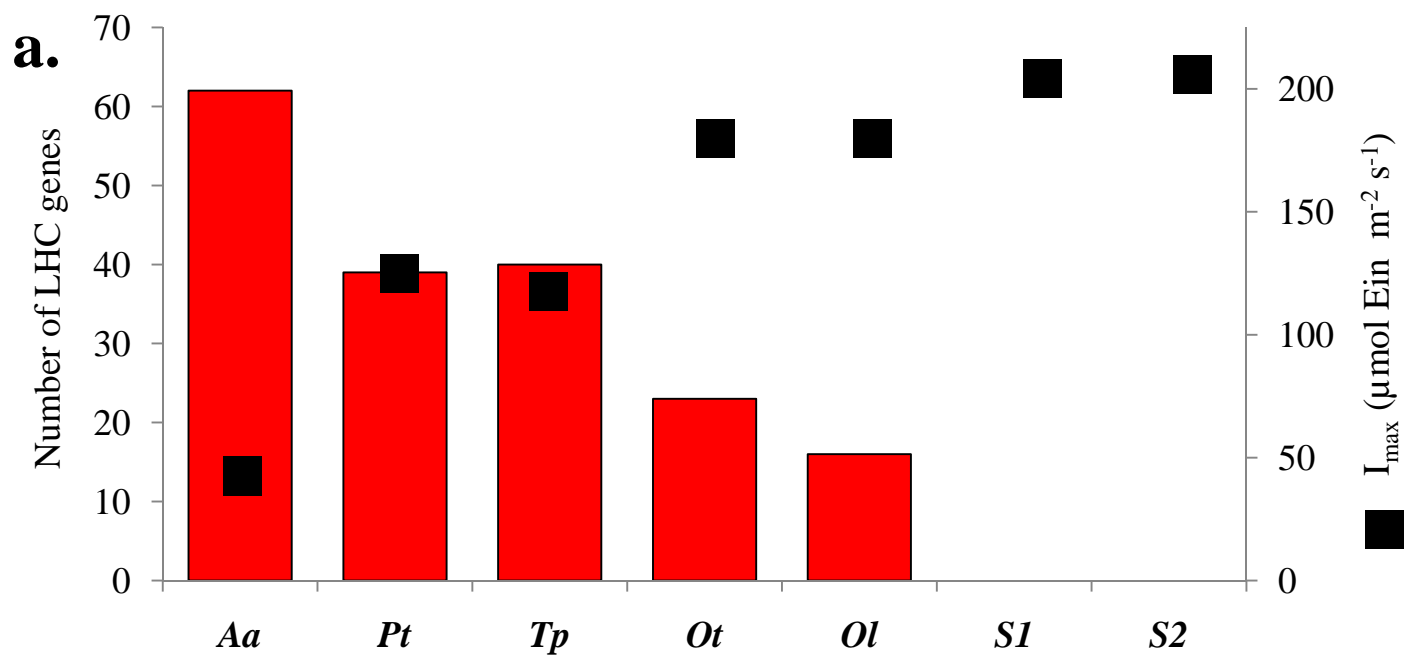
148 **Organic matter utilization** - In addition to being well adapted to low light, *A.*
149 *anophagefferens* also outcompetes other phytoplankton in estuaries with elevated organic matter
150 concentrations (6) (Fig 1C), and can survive extended periods with no light (22). Consistent with
151 these observations, the genome of *A. anophagefferens* contains a large number of genes that may
152 permit the degradation of organic compounds to support heterotrophic metabolism. For

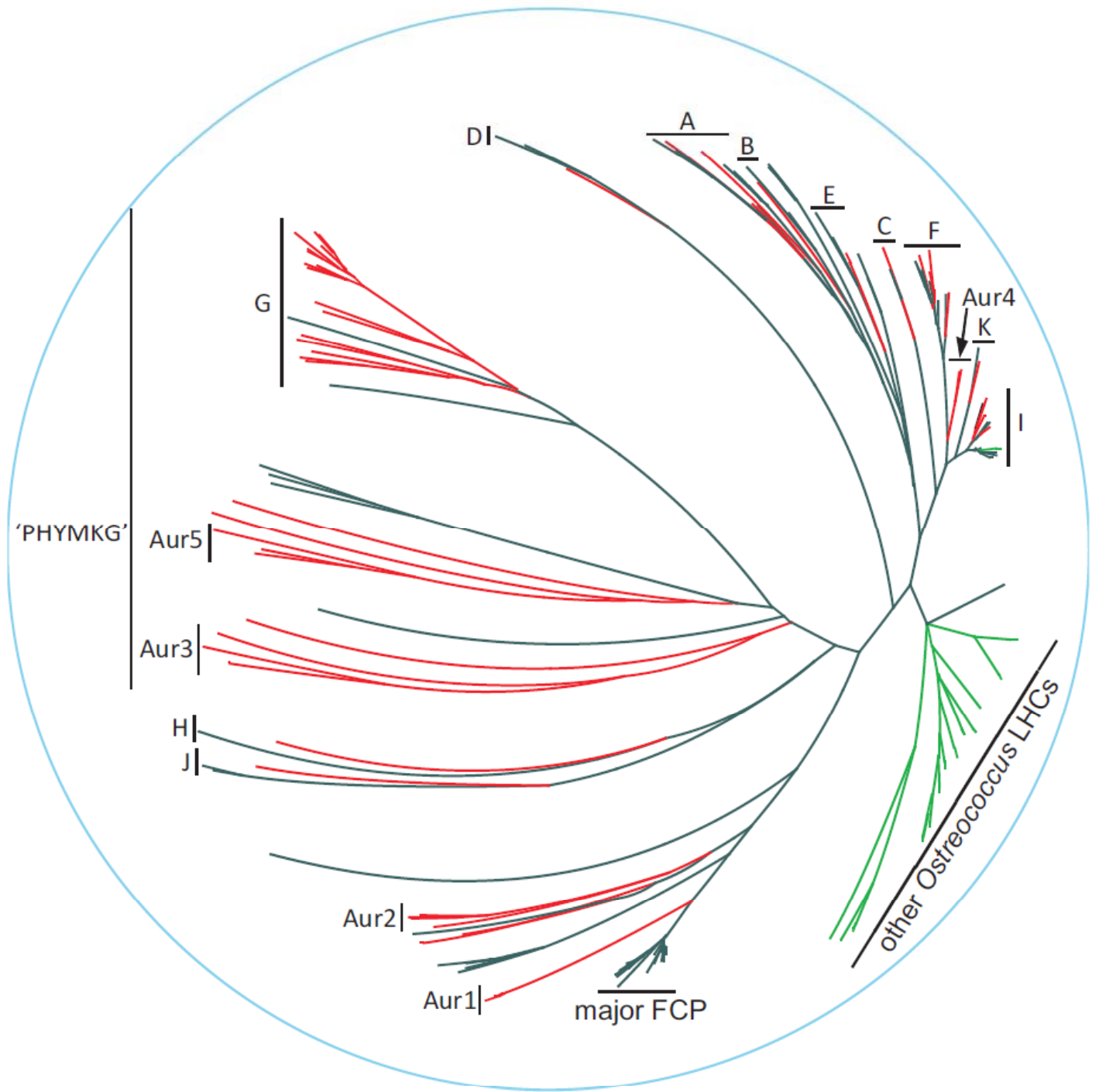
Table 1. Major features of the genomes of *A. anophagefferens*, and six competing algal species *P. tricornutum* (9), *T. pseudonana* (10), *O. tauri* (11), *O. lucimarinus* (11), *Synechococcus* (CC9311) (12), *Synechococcus* (CC9902). Genes with known functions were identified using Swiss-Prot, a curated protein sequence database, with an e-value cut-off of $< 10^{-5}$ (13). Pfam domains are sequences identified from a database of protein families represented by multiple sequence alignments and hidden Markov models (13). The compressed nature of *P. tricornutum* cells (11 x 2.5 μm) makes its biovolume smaller than *T. pseudonana*.

	<i>A.</i> <i>anophagefferens</i>	<i>P.</i> <i>tricornutum</i>	<i>T. pseudonana</i>	<i>O. tauri</i>	<i>O. lucimarinus</i>	<i>Synechococcus</i> (CC9311)	<i>Synechococcus</i> (CC9902)
Cell diameter (μm)	2.0	11.0	5.0	1.2	1.3	1.0	1.0
Cell volume (μm^3)	6	61	88	1.8	2.0	1.2	1.2
Genome size (Mbp)	57	27	32	13	13	2.6	2.2
Predicted gene number	11,501	10,402	11,242	7,892	7,651	2,892	2,301
Genes with known functions	8,560	6,239	6,797	5,090	5,322	1,607	1,469
Genes with Pfam domains	6,908	5,398	5,791	4,763	4,214	1,636	1,488
Genes with unique Pfam domains	209	79	75	23	51	55	12

153 example, its genome encodes proteins involved in the transport of oligosaccharides and sugars
154 that are not found in competing phytoplankton, including genes for glycerol, glucose, and D-
155 xylose uptake (Table S8). The *A. anophagefferens* genome also encodes more nucleoside sugar
156 transporters and major facilitator family sugar transporters than other comparative phytoplankton
157 species (Table S8). It is also highly enriched in genes associated with the degradation of mono-,
158 di-, oligo- and polysaccharides, as well as sulfonated polysaccharides. *A. anophagefferens*
159 possesses 47 sulfatase genes including those targeting sulfonated polysaccharides such as
160 glucosamine-(N-acetyl)-6-sulfatases, while the diatoms contain a total of 3 to 4 sulfatases, and
161 the comparative picoplankton contain none (Table S9). *A. anophagefferens* also possesses many
162 more genes involved in carbohydrate degradation than competing phytoplankton (85 v. 4 – 29
163 genes in comparative phytoplankton) including 29 such genes present only in *A. anophagefferens*
164 (Fig. 4 and Tables S10 and S11). Collectively, these genes (Tables S9 to S12) provide this alga
165 with unique metabolic capabilities regarding the degradation of an array of organic carbon
166 compounds, many of which may not be accessible to other phytoplankton. In an ecosystem
167 setting, such a supplement of organic carbon would be critical for population proliferation within
168 the low light environments present in estuaries, particularly during dense algal blooms (Fig. 1C).

169 *A. anophagefferens*, like many HABs, blooms when inorganic nitrogen levels are low but
170 organic nitrogen levels are elevated (Fig. 1C) (1 - 3), *A. anophagefferens* is known to efficiently
171 metabolize organic compounds for nitrogenous nutrition (6, 23). Notably, this niche strategy is
172 reflected within the *A. anophagefferens* genome which encodes transporters specific for a diverse
173 set of organic nitrogen compounds including urea, amino acids, purines, nucleotide-sugars,
174 nucleosides, peptides, and oligopeptides (Table S8) (24). Relative to competing phytoplankton,
175 *A. anophagefferens* is enriched in genes encoding enzymes that degrade organic nitrogen



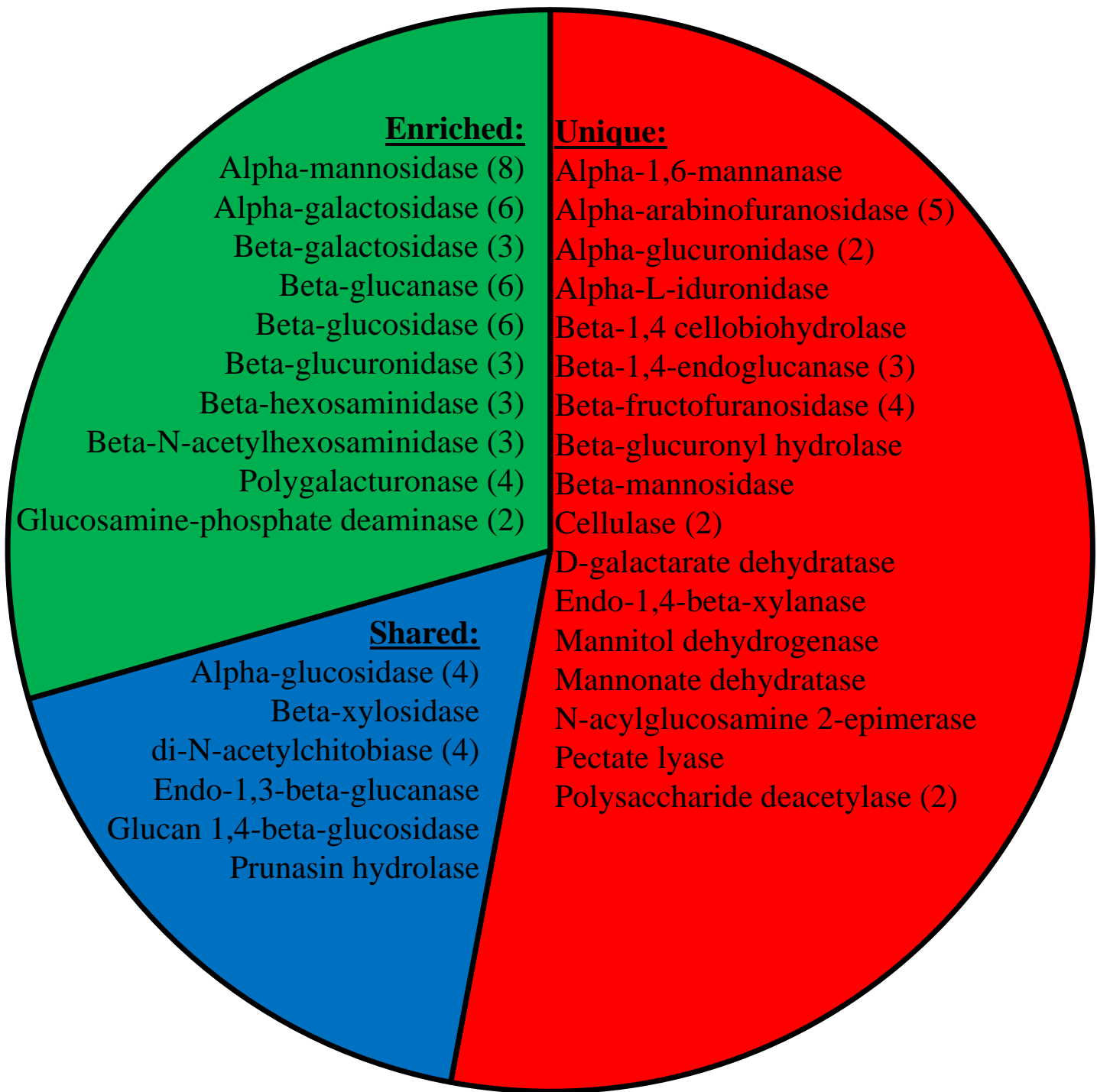


222 copper containing enzymes degrade lignin, catalyze the oxidation of phenolics, and can have
223 anti-microbial properties (33, 34) and thus may provide nutrition or confer protection to *A.*
224 *anophagefferens* cells. *A. anophagefferens* is also the only phytoplankton species with a
225 homolog of the CutC copper homeostasis protein, which permits efficient cellular trafficking of
226 this metal (Table S8). With three nickel-requiring ureases, *A. anophagefferens* has more nickel-
227 containing enzymes than other comparative phytoplankton (Fig. 2B, C). Consistent with its
228 ecogenomic profile, these ureases allow *A. anophagefferens* to meet its daily N demand from
229 urea while other phytoplankton do not (35). Perhaps to support the synthesis and use of urease,
230 *A. anophagefferens* is the only comparative phytoplankton species with a high-affinity nickel
231 transporter (HoxN) (36). *A. anophagefferens* is not universally enriched in metalloenzymes, as
232 other phytoplankton contain equal numbers of cobalt-containing enzymes (Fig. 2C). However,
233 the formation of blooms exclusively in shallow estuaries ensures *A. anophagefferens* has access
234 to a rich supply of the selenium, copper, and nickel required to synthesize these ecologically
235 important and catalytically superior enzymes (30, 31, 37).

236 **Microbial defense** - While genes associated with the adaptation to low light, the use of
237 organic matter, and metals permit *A. anophagefferens* to dominate a specific geochemical niche
238 found within estuaries, genes involved in the production of compounds that inhibit predators and
239 competitors may further promote blooms (2). Although specific toxins have yet to be identified
240 in *A. anophagefferens*, it is grazed at a low rate during blooms (2, 6) and its genome contains
241 two- to seven-times more genes involved in the synthesis of secondary metabolites than the
242 comparative phytoplankton genomes (Fig. S2). *A. anophagefferens* also possesses a series of
243 genes involved in the synthesis of putative anti-microbial compounds that are largely absent
244 from the competing phytoplankton species (Table S17). For example, *A. anophagefferens* has

176 compounds such as nitriles, asparagine, and urea (Fig. 2B). *A. anophagefferens* is also the only
177 species among the phytoplankton genomes examined that possesses a membrane-bound
178 dipeptidase, several histidine ammonia-lyases, cysteine dioxygenase, tripeptidyl peptidase, and
179 several other enzymes (Table S13) that could collectively play a role in metabolizing organic
180 nitrogen compounds that are not bioavailable to other phytoplankton. Furthermore, the *A.*
181 *anophagefferens* genome also contains enzymes that degrade amino acids, peptides, proteins,
182 amides, amides, and nucleotides, often possessing more copies of these genes than competing
183 phytoplankton (Supplementary Table 13). This characteristic, along with its unique gene set,
184 may provide *A. anophagefferens* with a greater capacity to use organic compounds for
185 nitrogenous nutrition compared to its competitors, a hypothesis supported by its dominance in
186 systems with elevated ratios of dissolved organic nitrogen to dissolved inorganic nitrogen and
187 the reduction in dissolved organic nitrogen concentrations typically observed during the
188 initiation of brown tides (6, 25).

189 **Metalloenzymes** - *A. anophagefferens* blooms in shallow, enclosed estuaries (6) where
190 concentration of metals and elements like selenium are elevated (26 – 28), but never dominates
191 deep estuaries or continental shelf regions (6) that are characterized by lower metal and trace
192 element inventories (26 - 28). *A. anophagefferens* has a large and absolute requirement for some
193 trace elements, such as selenium (Fig. 2C). In comparison, phytoplankton such as
194 *Synechococcus* do not require this element while others, such as *T. pseudonana* and *P.*
195 *tricornutum*, have lower selenium requirements for maximal growth (Fig. 2C). The *A.*
196 *anophagefferens* genome is consistent with these observations as it is enriched in numerous
197 classes of proteins that require metals and elements like selenium as cofactors (Fig. 2C). It
198 possesses at least 56 genes encoding selenocysteine-containing proteins, twice the number



199 present in *O. lucimarinus* genome, which previously had the largest known eukaryotic
200 selenoproteome (11, 29), and four-fold more than the diatom genomes (Fig. 2C). The *A.*
201 *anophagefferens* selenoproteome includes nearly all known eukaryotic selenoproteins, as well as
202 selenoproteins that were previously described only in bacteria (29) and several novel
203 selenoproteins (Table S14). In addition, several selenoprotein families are represented by
204 multiple isozymes (Table S14). Half of the selenoproteins are methionine sulfoxide reductases,
205 thioredoxin reductases, glutathione peroxidases, glutaredoxins, and peroxiredoxins (Table S14).
206 Together, these enzymes help protect cells against oxidative stress in the dynamic and ephemeral
207 conditions present in estuaries through the removal of hydroperoxides and the repair of
208 oxidatively damaged proteins. Moreover, selenocysteine residues are often superior catalytic
209 groups compared to cysteine (30 - 32), and thus allow *A. anophagefferens* to more efficiently
210 execute multiple metabolic processes and increase its competitiveness relative to other
211 phytoplankton in the anthropogenically modified estuaries where it blooms.

212 The *A. anophagefferens* genome is also enriched in genes encoding for molybdenum-,
213 copper-, and nickel-containing enzymes (Fig. 2C). For example, the *A. anophagefferens* genome
214 includes twice the number of genes encoding molybdenum-containing oxidases found in
215 competing species (6 v. 1 – 3 genes; Fig. 2C and Tables S15 and S16), and has the largest
216 number of molybdenum-specific transporters (Table S8). Similarly, *A. anophagefferens*
217 possesses four-times more genes that encode copper-containing proteins than its competitors (27
218 v. 1 – 6 genes; Fig. 2C), including five multi-copper oxidases and 20 tyrosinase-like proteins
219 (Tables S15 and S16). Several of the *A. anophagefferens* tyrosinase and multi-copper oxidase
220 family proteins are heavily glycosylated (>4 glycosylation sites; Table S16) and thus are likely
221 secretory proteins, while the few present in the other comparative algal species are not. These

245 five berberine bridge enzymes involved in the synthesis of toxic isoquinoline alkaloids (38, 39)
246 (Table S17). *A. anophagefferens* uniquely possesses a membrane attack complex gene and
247 multiple phenazine biosynthetase genes (Table S17) that encode enzymes that may provide
248 defense against microbes and/or protistan grazers (40, 41). There are two- to four-fold more
249 ATP-binding cassette (ABC) transporters in *A. anophagefferens* compared to competing species
250 (112 v. 30 – 54 ABC transporters; Table S8) and it is specifically enriched in ABC multidrug
251 efflux pumps ((P-glycoprotein (ABCB1), MRP1 (ABCC1) and ABCG2 (BCRP)) that protect
252 cells from toxic xenobiotics and endogenous metabolites (42, 43). Finally, the *A.*
253 *anophagefferens* genome encodes 16-fold more Sel-1 genes (130 v. 0- 8 genes; Table S6), four-
254 fold more ion channels (82 v. 1- 19 ion channels; Table S8), four-fold more protein kinases, and
255 two-fold more WD40 domain genes than other phytoplankton (Table S6). These genes may
256 collectively mediate elaborate cell signaling and sensing by dense bloom populations (44 - 46),
257 processes which would be important for detecting competitors, predators, other *A.*
258 *anophagefferens* cells, and the environment. Together, genes involved in the synthesis of
259 microbial deterrents, export of toxic compounds, and cell signaling may contribute toward the
260 proliferation of this species with reduced population losses and thus assist in promoting these
261 HABs (2).

262 **Conclusions** - The global expansion of human populations along coastlines has led to a
263 progressive enrichment in turbidity (47), organic matter including organic nitrogen (1, 47, 48),
264 and metals (26, 28) in estuaries. Matching the expansion of HAB events around the world in
265 recent decades, *A. anophagefferens* blooms were an unknown phenomenon prior to 1985, but
266 have since become chronic, annual events in US and South African estuaries (6) with the
267 potential for further expansion. The unique gene complement of *A. anophagefferens* encodes a

268 disproportionately greater number of proteins involved in light harvesting and organic matter
269 utilization, as well as metal and selenium-requiring enzymes relative to competing
270 phytoplankton. Collectively, these genes reveal a niche characterized by conditions (low light,
271 high organic matter, and elevated metal levels) that have become increasingly prevalent in
272 anthropogenically-modified estuaries, suggesting that human activities have enabled the
273 proliferation of these HABs. In estuaries which host *A. anophagefferens* blooms,
274 anthropogenically nutrient loading promotes algal growth and, as a result, elevated levels of
275 organic matter and turbidity (6) whereas high concentrations of metals have been attributed to
276 maritime paints and some fertilizers (27, 49). Collectively, these findings establish a context
277 within which to prevent and control HABs specifically by ameliorating anthropogenically altered
278 aspects of marine environments that harmful phytoplankton are genomically pre-disposed to
279 exploit. Like *A. anophagefferens*, many HAB-forming dinoflagellates are known to exploit
280 organic forms of carbon and nitrogen for growth (1 - 4), grow well under low light (45), and
281 have elevated requirements of copper, molybdenum, and selenium (46, 47). Continued
282 ecogenomic analyses of HABs will reveal the extent to which these events can be attributed to
283 human activities that have transformed coastal ecosystems to suit the genetic capacity of these
284 algae.

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286 **Materials and Methods**

287 The environmental conditions and plankton community composition within a brown tide-
288 prone estuary (Quantuck Bay, NY, USA) were monitored biweekly from spring through fall of
289 2009. Nutrient levels were assessed via wet chemical and combustion techniques, whereas the
290 composition of the plankton community was assessed via immuno-fluorescent assays, flow

291 cytometry, and standard microscopy. Metaproteomes were generated using two-dimensional,
292 nano-liquid chromatography – tandem mass spectrometry (LC-MS/MS) and spectra were
293 analyzed using SEQUEST and DTASelect algorithms. The genome of *A. anophagefferens* was
294 sequenced using whole-genome shotgun approach using Sanger platform, assembled with JAZZ
295 assembler, and annotated using JGI Annotation tools. Complete information regarding all
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425 **Figure Legends**

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427 **Figure 1.** Field observations from Quantuck Bay, NY, USA. a, Macro- and microscopic images
 428 (inset) of an estuary (Quantuck Bay, NY, USA) under normal conditions from 9 June 2009, prior
 429 to a brown tide (note the diatom in the inset micrograph image). b, similar macro- and
 430 microscopic images (inset) taken 6 July 2009 during a harmful brown tide bloom caused by *A.*
 431 *anophagefferens* (note the dominance of *A. anophagefferens* in the inset micrograph). c, The
 432 dynamics of dissolved inorganic nitrogen (DIN), dissolved organic nitrogen (DON) and the
 433 extinction coefficient of light within seawater during the spring and summer of 2009 in Quantuck
 434 Bay. d, The dynamics of phytoplankton during the spring and summer of 2009, a year when *A.*
 435 *anophagefferens* bloomed almost to the exclusion of other phytoplankton, including
 436 picoeukaryotes that are often dominated by *Ostreococcus* sp. in estuaries which host brown tides
 437 (6, 7, 8), and *Thalassiosira* and *Phaeodactylum*, genera which are found in this system (6). The
 438 shaded region in panel C and D indicates the period when *A. anophagefferens* blooms,
 439 highlighting that *A. anophagefferens* blooms when levels of DIN and light levels are low, and
 440 DON levels are high and that *A. anophagefferens* blooms can persist for more than a month
 441 during summer when this species dominates phytoplankton biomass inventories. e, The
 442 dynamics of *A. anophagefferens* cell densities during 2007, 2008, and 2009 with the dates of
 443 samples collected for metaproteome analyses (6/26/07 and 7/9/07) indicated within the dashed
 444 circled. The inset metaproteome pie chart specifically depicts the mean relative abundance of
 445 unique spectral counts of peptides matching proteins from *A. anophagefferens*, *P. tricornerutum* (9)
 446 *T. pseudonana* (10), *O. tauri* (11), *O. lucimarinus* (11), *Synechococcus* (CC9311) (12),
 447 *Synechococcus* (CC9902), and heterotrophic bacteria.

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449 **Figure 2.** Comparisons of gene complement between *A. anophagefferens* and other co-occurring
 450 phytoplankton species. Aa, Pt, Tp, Ot, Ol, S1, and S2 are *Aureococcus anophagefferens*,
 451 *Phaeodactylum tricornerutum*, *Thalassiosira pseudonana*, *Ostreococcus tauri*, *Ostreococcus*
 452 *lucimarinus*, *Synechococcus* clone CC9311 and *Synechococcus* clone CC9902, respectively. a,
 453 The number of light harvesting complex (LHC) genes present in each phytoplankton genome
 454 (red bars; left axis) and I_{max} , the irradiance level required to achieve maximal growth rates in
 455 each phytoplankton (black squares; right axis). Among these species, *A. anophagefferens*
 456 possesses the greatest number of LHC genes, achieves a maximal growth rate at the lowest level
 457 of light, and blooms when light levels are low. b, The number of genes associated with the
 458 degradation of nitriles, asparagine, and urea in each phytoplankton genome. *A. anophagefferens*
 459 grows efficiently on organic nitrogen because it possesses more nitrilase, asparaginase, and
 460 urease genes than other phytoplankton. c, Inter-species comparison of the genes encoding
 461 proteins that contain the metals Se, Cu, Mo, Ni, and Co (left axis) and Se_{max} , the selenium level
 462 (added as selenite shown as log concentrations) required to achieve maximal growth rates in *A.*
 463 *anophagefferens*, *P. tricornerutum*, *T. pseudonana*, and *Synechococcus* (white circles; right axis).
 464 The range of dissolved selenium concentrations found in estuaries is depicted as a yellow bar on
 465 the right y-axis. *A. anophagefferens* has the largest number of proteins containing Se, Cu, Mo,
 466 and Ni and blooms exclusively in shallow estuaries where inventories of these metals are high.
 467 See supplementary materials and methods for details of irradiance- and Se-dependent growth
 468 data and Se concentrations in estuaries.

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471 **Figure 3.** Phylogenetic tree constructed from amino acid sequences of predicted LHC proteins
 472 from two diatoms (*Phaeodactylum tricornutum* and *Thalassiosira pseudonana*, black branches),
 473 two *Ostreococcus* species (*O. tauri* and *O. lucimarinus*, green branches), and *Aureococcus*
 474 *anophagefferens* (red branches). The tree constructed in MEGA4 (see Fig. S1) is displayed here
 475 after manipulation of the original branch lengths in Hypertree
 476 (<http://kinase.com/tools/HyperTree.html>) to aid visualization of major features of the tree. None
 477 of the *Aureococcus* LHCs were closely related to green plastid lineage LHCs, although four
 478 belonged to a group found in both the green and red plastid lineages (group I). None of the
 479 *Aureococcus* LHCs clustered with the ‘major’ fucoxanthin-chlorophyll binding proteins (FCP) of
 480 diatoms and other heterokonts (major FCP group). However, many *Aureococcus* LHCs did group
 481 with similar sequences from *P. tricornutum* and *T. pseudonana* (as well as LHCs from other red-
 482 lineage algae not included in this tree; groups A to K). There were also five groups of *A.*
 483 *anophagefferens* LHCs that were not closely related to any other LHCs (Aur1 to Aur5). Group G
 484 includes 16 LHCs from *A. anophagefferens* and two from *T. pseudonana*, and shares a unique
 485 PHYMKG motif near the end of helix two with 10 additional *A. anophagefferens* LHCs plus 5
 486 more from the diatoms.

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 488 **Figure 4.** Genes encoding for enzymes involved in degrading organic carbon compounds in *A.*
 489 *anophagefferens*. The graph displays the portion and names of the genes encoding for functions
 490 which are unique to *A. anophagefferens* (red; 53%), enriched in *A. anophagefferens* relative to
 491 the six comparative phytoplankton (34%; green), and present at equal or lower numbers in *A.*
 492 *anophagefferens* relative to the six comparative phytoplankton (13%; blue). The number of
 493 genes present in multiple copies in *A. anophagefferens* is shown in parentheses. Further detail
 494 regarding these genes is presented in tables S10 and S11.

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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Niche of harmful alga *Aureococcus anophagefferens* revealed through ecogenomics; Gobler et al

MATERIALS AND METHODS

1. *A. anophagefferens* DNA isolation

Eight 2-liter flasks with one liter of *Aureococcus anophagefferens* CCMP1984 culture each were grown axenically to mid-exponential growth phase (10^7 cells ml⁻¹). The eight flasks were combined in a carboy and harvested with the Sharples continuous flow centrifuge. Cells were scraped from the mylar film, rinsed, and concentrated with a tabletop centrifuge to yield a wet weight of ~ 1 gram. The tube was temporarily stored in liquid N₂ vapors. After temporary storage, the bottom half of the tube was placed in a 68° C water bath and heated enough to free the pellet from the tube at which point it was placed in a mortar filled with liquid nitrogen. The pellet was ground using a pestle, and placed into 5 different 50 mL plastic centrifuge tubes, to which Cetyltrimethyl Ammonium Bromide (CTAB) at 68° C was added. Beta-mercaptoethanol (1% final volume) was added to each tube. Tubes were periodically mixed by partial inversion and were incubated for three hours at 68°C. An equal volume of phenol:chloroform:isoamyl alcohol (25:24:1 ratio) was then added to the cell suspension/CTAB. The tubes were mixed gently by partial inversion and centrifuged in a tabletop centrifuge. The aqueous fraction was removed and an equal volume of chloroform:isoamyl alcohol (24:1) was added and mixed by partial inversion, and then centrifuged. After the second chloroform extraction, the aqueous phase was transferred to a new tube and 0.6 volume of cold (-20° C) isopropanol was added. The DNA spooled in the upper 1/3 or 1/2 of the tube, and a large amount of white flocculent substance settled to the bottom half of the tube (likely carbohydrate). The DNA was drawn into

a 5 mL pipette tip (cut back to increase the opening) and placed into a separate tube. Ultimately, the DNA was pooled all into one tube, and as much isopropanol as possible was removed with a 1000 μ L pipette tip. The DNA was then dissolved in TE buffer, quantified with a Nanodrop-1000 UV-spectrophotometer, and run in an agarose gel with Lambda *Hind*III markers.

2. Genome sequencing and assembly

The genome of *Aureococcus anophagefferens* was sequenced using WGS strategy. Three libraries with an insert size of 2-3 KB, 6-8 KB, and 35-40 KB were used. The sequenced reads were screened for vector using `cross_match`, trimmed for vector and quality (1), and filtered to remove reads shorter than 100 bases, which resulted in the following dataset:

306,657 2-3 KB reads, containing 215 MB of sequence.

301,713 6-8 KB reads, containing 215 MB of sequence.

37,362 35-40 KB reads, containing 18 MB of sequence.

The data was assembled using release 2.10.6 of Jazzy, a WGS assembler developed at the JGI (1). A word size of 13 was used for seeding alignments between reads. The unhashability threshold was set to 40, preventing words present in the data set in more than 40 copies from being used to seed alignments. A mismatch penalty of -30.0 was used, which will tend to assemble together sequences that are more than about 97% identical. After excluding redundant (<5Kb, with 80% of total length contained in scaffolds > 5 KB) and short (<1Kb) scaffolds from the initial assembly, there remained 59.6 MB of scaffold sequence, of which 6.0 MB (10.1%) was gaps. The filtered assembly contained 1,202 scaffolds, with a scaffold N/L50 of 13/1.3 MB, and a contig N/L50 of 405/34 KB. The sequence depth derived from the assembly was 7.00 ± 0.13 .

To estimate the completeness of the assembly, a set of 49,961 ESTs was BLAT-aligned to the unassembled trimmed data set, as well as the assembly itself. 48,963 ESTs (98.1%) were more than 80% covered by the unassembled data, 49,312 (98.7%) were more than 50% covered, and 49,500 (99.1%) were more than 20% covered. By way of comparison, 49,097 ESTs (98.3%) had mapped to the assembly.

3. EST sequencing:

Aureococcus anophagefferens CCMP 1984 was obtained from the Provasoli-Guillard Center for the Culture of Marine Phytoplankton (CCMP). The cultures were grown at 18°C on a 12 h:12 h light:dark cycle ($45 \mu\text{mol quanta m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$) on f/2 medium with acetamide as the sole nitrogen source and harvested under nitrogen limitation according to Berg et al (2). *A. anophagefferens* poly A+ RNA was isolated from total RNA using the Absolutely mRNA Purification kit according to manufacturer's instructions (Stratagene, La Jolla, CA). cDNA synthesis and cloning was performed using a modified procedure based on the "SuperScript plasmid system with Gateway technology for cDNA synthesis and cloning" (Invitrogen). 1-2 μg of poly A+ RNA, reverse transcriptase SuperScript II (Invitrogen) and oligo dT-NotI primer (5'-GACTAGTTCTA GATCGCGAGCGGCCGCCCTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTT -3') were used to synthesize first strand cDNA. Second strand synthesis was performed with *E. coli* DNA ligase, polymerase I, and RNaseH followed by end repair using T4 DNA polymerase. The SalI adaptor (5'-TCGACC CACGCGTCCG and 5'-CGGACGCGTG GGG) was ligated to the cDNA, ligation products were digested with NotI (NEB), and subsequently size selected by gel electrophoresis (1.1% agarose). Size ranges of cDNA were cut out of the gel (L: 600-1.2kb, M: 1.2kb-2kb, H:

>2kb) and directionally ligated into the SalI and NotI digested vector pCMVSPORT6 (Invitrogen). The ligation was transformed into ElectroMAX T1 DH10B cells (Invitrogen).

Library quality was first assessed by randomly selecting 24 clones and PCR amplifying the cDNA inserts with the primers M13-F (GTAAAACGACGGCCAGT) and M13-R (AGGAAACAGCTATGACCAT). The number of clones without inserts was determined and 384 clones for each library were picked, inoculated into 384 well plates (Nunc) and grown for 18 hours at 37°C. Each clone was amplified using RCA then the 5' and 3' ends of each insert was sequenced using vector-specific primers (FW: 5'- ATTTAGGTGACACTA TAGAA and RV 5' – TAATACGACTCACTATAGGG) and Big Dye chemistry (Applied Biosystems). The average read length and pass rate were 753 (Q20 bases) and 96% respectively.

Colonies from an *Aureococcus anophagefferens* cDNA library were plated onto agarose plates (254mm plates from Teknova, Hollister, CA) at a density of approximately 1000 colonies per plate. Plates were grown at 37°C for 18 hours then individual colonies were picked and each used to inoculate a well containing LB medium with appropriate antibiotic in a 384 well plate (Nunc, Rochester, NY). 384 well plates were grown at 37°C for 18 hours. Plasmid DNA for sequencing was produced by rolling circle amplification (Templiphi, GE Healthcare, Piscataway, NJ). Subclone inserts were sequenced from both ends using primers complimentary to the flanking vector sequence (Fwd: 5'- GTAAAACGACGGCCAGT, Rev: 5' - AGGAAACAGCTATGACCAT) and sequenced using Big Dye terminator chemistry on an ABI 3730 (ABI, Foster City, CA).

4. Genome Annotation

The genome assembly v1.0 of *Aureococcus anophagefferens* was annotated using the JGI annotation pipeline, which takes assembly scaffolds and ESTs as inputs to produce gene models

and their annotations. It starts with masking assembly scaffolds using RepeatMasker (<http://www.repeatmasker.org/>) and a custom repeat library of 837 putative transposable element sequences. After masking, gene models were predicted using several methods: 1) putative full length genes derived from 16,280 cluster consensus sequences of over 50,000 clustered and assembled *A. anophagefferens* ESTs were mapped to genomic sequence, 2) homology-based gene models were predicted using FGENESH+ (3) and Genewise (4) seeded by Blastx alignments against sequences from NCBI non-redundant protein set, 3) *ab initio* gene predictor FGENESH (3) was trained on the set of putative full-length genes and reliable homology-based models. Genewise models were completed using scaffold data to find start and stop codons. ESTs and EST clusters were used to extend, verify, and complete the predicted gene models. Because multiple gene models were generated for each locus, a single representative model was chosen based on homology and EST support and used for further analysis.

All predicted gene models were annotated using InterProScan (5) and hardware-accelerated double-affine Smith-Waterman alignments (www.timelogic.com) against SwissProt (www.expasy.org/sprot) and other specialized databases like KEGG (6). Finally, KEGG hits were used to map EC numbers (<http://www.expasy.org/enzyme/>), and Interpro hits were used to map GO terms (7). In addition predicted proteins were annotated according to KOG (8) classification. In total 11,501 gene models were predicted with their characteristics summarized in tables S1 - S4. Predicted genes and annotations referred to in this work were then manually curated using web-based annotation tools at JGI Portal <http://www.jgi.doe.gov/Aureococcus>. We used Blastp at E-value threshold of 1e-05 to search for potential homologues of *Aureococcus* gene family members in the complete genomes of the six comparative phytoplankton. Gene

homologs were manually inspected to correct for possible annotation errors. Pfam domains were identified using TimeLogic implementation of HMMER package.

5. Phylogentic analysis of light harvesting complex genes and membrane transporters

Sixty-two light harvesting chlorophyll-binding protein (LHC) genes were identified in the *A. anophagefferens* genome by extensive BLAST of known LHC protein sequences from plants and other algae against predicted *A. anophagefferens* proteins. LHC genes were identified in the comparative genomes by the same process. The predicted protein sequences were initially aligned in BioEdit (9) with ClustalW after removing the N-terminal putative signal peptides as well as four sequences that disrupted the alignment because they were too short or too divergent (Thaps3:262313, Thaps3:38122, Thaps3:41655, and Ost99013:24978), and the alignments were improved manually following the protein-structure-based alignments of Eppard and Rhiel (10) and Eppard et al (11). The phylogenetic tree was constructed in MEGA4 (12) by the neighbor-joining method with pairwise deletion of gaps and distances calculated using the Poisson correction with rate variation among sites ($\gamma = 1$). Comparisons of transporter proteins among groups were performed using TransportDB (<http://www.membranetransport.org/>) a comprehensive database resource of information on membrane transporters extensively described by Ren et al (13).

6. Searches for selenoprotein genes

To identify selenoprotein genes, the *Aureococcus* genome was analyzed with SECISearch (14), which searched for primary sequences and secondary structures and then calculated free energy for various parts of the predicted. As in other organisms, selenocysteine (Sec) is inserted

into *Aureococcus* selenoproteins with the help of Sec insertion sequence (SECIS) elements. The genome was analyzed with both default and loose patterns of SECISearch to accommodate identification of unusual SECIS structures, and the searches were extended to search for organism-specific structures by a modified SECISearch (14). After candidate SECIS elements were identified, ORFs were predicted in the regions upstream of the SECIS elements. An additional requirement was the presence of at least one homologous protein in the NCBI non-redundant database. The final step was a manual sequence and homology analysis of predicted selenoprotein ORFs located upstream of candidate SECIS elements.

Separately, the genome was analyzed with TBLAST against all known selenoprotein sequences to identify homologs of previously described selenoprotein genes. A third procedure was the use of an approach that searched for selenocysteine/cysteine pairs in homologous sequences (14). ORFs with in-frame UGA codons were extracted that satisfied these criteria: (i) conservation of selenocysteine-flanking regions; and (ii) occurrence of homologs containing cysteine in place of selenocysteine. We used TBLASTX to examine all potential ORFs with in-frame UGA codons against NCBI non-redundant protein database. All hits were then tested for the occurrence of SECIS elements with SECISearch. PSI-BLAST was used for the identification of more distant homologs. The datasets resulting from the three independent methods of selenoprotein identification were combined and the proteins classified as homologs of previously known selenoproteins, novel selenoproteins and candidate selenoprotein genes.

7. Identification of metalloproteins for copper, molybdenum, nickel and cobalt (in the form of vitamin B₁₂)

For each metal, we used representative sequences of all known metal-dependent proteins (i.e., strictly metal-binding proteins) to search for homologous sequences in *Aureococcus anophagefferens* and other selected organisms via TBLASTN (15) with an e-value <0.1. We excluded proteins that bind alternative metals in different organisms. Considering that some proteins contain both metal-dependent and metal-independent subunits, we only used metal-binding-domain-containing proteins/subunits as metalloproteins. Distant homologs were further identified using iterative BLAST searches with default parameters. Orthologous proteins were defined using the COG database and bidirectional best hits (16, 17). Additional analyses, such as conservation of metal-binding ligands and phylogenetic analysis, were also used to help identify orthologs from numerous homologs. Because iron- and zinc-containing enzymes are significantly more diverse in function and metal binding modes (i.e. metal substitutions, variable binding) they were not targeted during our analyses.

8. Generation of metaproteomes from estuaries with *A. anophagefferens* blooms

Environmental samples were collected 6/26/2007 and 7/9/2007 from Quantuck Bay, NY, USA, a site of frequent brown tides (Fig 1 main body of text). Field samples were harvested via centrifugation at 2,000 g for 30 min. Cell pellets were lysed and proteins denatured in a solution of 6 M guanidine and 10 mM DTT in 50 mM Tris buffer (pH 7.6), with bead beating (0.1 mm zirconia/silica beads, 2 min, 30s on/off, 20Hz) followed by 1h at 60° C. The solution was then diluted 6-fold with 50 mM Tris buffer/10mM CaCl₂ (pH 7.6), proteins were digested into peptides with 1:100 (wt/wt) sequencing grade trypsin (Promega, Madison, WI), and insoluble cellular material was removed by centrifugation (2,000 g for 10 min). Peptides were desalted off-line by C18 solid phase extraction (Waters, Milford, MA), concentrated, filtered and aliquoted as

previously described (18). Two-dimensional nano-LC MS/MS analysis of each sample was carried out on an LTQ-Orbitrap Velos mass spectrometer (Thermo Fisher, San Jose, CA) as described elsewhere (19,20). In brief, chromatographic separation of the tryptic peptides was conducted over a 22 h period of increasing (0-500 mM) pulses of ammonium acetate followed by a 2 h aqueous to organic solvent gradient. The LTQ was operated in a data-dependent manner as follows: MS/MS on top ten ion detected in full scan, two microscans for both, full and MS/MS scans, centroid data for all scans, and dynamic exclusion set at 1.

Resulting MS/MS spectra were searched using the SEQUEST algorithm (21) with a concatenated isolate database containing all predicted proteins (including chloroplast proteins and mitochondria proteins) from *Aureococcus anophagefferens* CCMP 1784 and *Alcanivorax borkumensis* DG881, *Alcanivorax* sp. DG881, *Ostreococcus lucimarinus*, *Phadodactylum tricornutum* CCAP1055, *Thalassiosira pseudonana* CCMP1335, *Silicibacter pomeroyi* DSS-3, *Roseobacter denitrificans* OCh-114, *Candidatus Pelagibacter ubique* HTCC1062, *Gramella forsetii* KT0803, *Alcanivorax borkumensis* SK2, *Synechococcus* sp. CC9311, *Synechococcus* sp. CC9902. In addition to these “targeted” species likely in the bloom sample, the following species were included as non-target/decoy: *Geobacter bemidjensis*, *Rhodopseudomonas palustris* CGA009, *Shewanella oneidensis* MR-1, *Bacteroides fragilis* YCH46, *Bifidobacterium longum* NCC2705, *Campylobacter jejuni* RM1221, *Enterobacter sakazakii* ATCC BAA-894, *Escherichia coli* K12, *Ferroplasma acidarmanus*, *Helicobacter pylori* 26695, *Listeria monocytogenes* EGD-e along with common contaminants (i.e. keratins and trypsin). The output data files were then filtered and sorted with the DTASelect algorithm (22) using the following

parameters: DeltCN of at least 0.08 and cross-correlation scores (Xcorrs) of at least 1.8 (+1), 2.5 (+2) and 3.5 (+3), with at least two peptides identified within the same run.

9. Non-genome data

For data in Fig. 1D, counts of picoeukaryotes, which are often dominated by *Ostreococcus* sp. (23), *A. anophagefferens*, and *Synechococcus* sp. were made via a flow cytometer (24, 25) whereas counts of diatoms, such as *Phaeodactylum* and *Thalassiosira*, were made with a light microscope and were converted to biovolume based on the measured dimension of cells. Light extinction coefficients were estimated from secchi disk measurements and DIN and DON were measured using wet chemistry techniques (26, 27). Irradiance levels required to achieve maximal growth rates of each phytoplankton species displayed in Fig 2A. were obtained from MacIntyre et al (28) and Six et al (29, 30). Selenium concentrations required to achieve maximal growth rates were obtained from Harrison et al (31), Wang and Dei (32), and from culture experiments conducted with axenic *A. anophagefferens* clone CCMP1984 grown in G-medium made from artificial seawater (33) supplemented with differing concentrations of selenium added as selenite. Cultures were grown at 21° C in an incubator with a 12:12h light:dark cycle, illuminated by a bank of fluorescent lights that provided a light intensity of ~100 $\mu\text{mol quanta m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ to cultures. Cultures were maintained for a minimum of four transfers at each concentration prior to the collection of final growth rate data to ensure that cells were fully acclimated to treatment conditions and that the carryover of selenium from the initial, full strength was eliminated. Cellular growth rates were calculated for cultures based on cell densities in exponential growth phases, using the formula $\mu = \ln(B_t/B_0)/t$, where B_0 and B_t are the initial and final biomass, and t is the incubation duration in days. Growth rates were averaged over the

entire exponential phase, which typically persisted for 3 – 6 days, depending on the concentration of selenium in the media. Se-limitation of cultures was confirmed by the stimulation of growth of cultures in stationary phase at concentrations below 5 nM following the addition of 10 nM Se.

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2) SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURES

Figure S1. Phylogenetic tree constructed from amino acid sequences of predicted light harvesting chlorophyll-binding (LHC) proteins from two diatoms (*Phaeodactylum tricorutum*, Phatr, and *Thalassiosira pseudonana*, Thaps, both in black), two *Ostreococcus* species (*O. tauri*, Ossta, and *O. lucimarinus*, Ost9901, both in green), and *Aureococcus anophagefferens* (Auran, in red). Number after the colon is the protein identification number. Sixty-two LHC proteins were identified in the *A. anophagefferens* genome. This is approximately three times as many as have been found in the *Ostreococcus* strains (*O. tauri* has 16, *O. RCC809* has 19, and *O. lucimarinus* has 22), and 1.5 times as many as have been found in the diatoms (43 in *P. tricorutum* and 42 in *T. pseudonana*) (these numbers determined from extensive BLAST comparisons of LHCs among these genomes). None of the *A. anophagefferens* LHCs were most closely related to the major LHC types in the green plastid lineage, although four (LHC27, 36, 53, and 54) belonged to a group found in both the green and red plastid lineages (group I). None of the *A. anophagefferens* LHCs clustered with the ‘major’ fucoxanthin-chlorophyll binding proteins (FCP) of diatoms and other heterokonts (major FCP group). However, many *Aureococcus* LHCs grouped with other LHC sequences from *P. tricorutum* and *T. pseudonana* (as well as LHCs from other red-lineage algae not included in this tree). These groups (A to K) may share related (but as yet unknown) functions in the light-harvesting apparatus of *A. anophagefferens* and other red plastid lineage algae. One of these groups (group G) includes 16 LHCs from *A. anophagefferens* and 2 from *T. pseudonana*, and shares a unique PHYMKG motif near the end of helix two with 10 additional *A. anophagefferens* LHCs plus 5 more from the diatoms. EST and SAGE data show that at least 25 of the 26 in *A. anophagefferens* are expressed. There were also five groups of *A. anophagefferens* LHCs that were not closely related to diatom LHCs (Aur1 to Aur5). Aur1 was most similar to the major FCP cluster, Aur4 was similar to sequences from *Karlodinium micrum*, and Aur2 was loosely grouped with LHCs from several other dinoflagellates (dinoflagellate sequences not included in this tree). The phylogenetic tree was constructed in MEGA4 (S12) by the neighbor-joining method with pairwise deletion of gaps and distances calculated using the Poisson correction with rate variation among sites ($\gamma = 1$). The optimal tree (sum of branch length = 85) is shown, the percentage of replicate trees in which the associated taxa clustered together in the bootstrap test (500 replicates) are shown next to the branches, and the tree is drawn to scale with branch lengths in units of calculated amino acid substitutions per site.

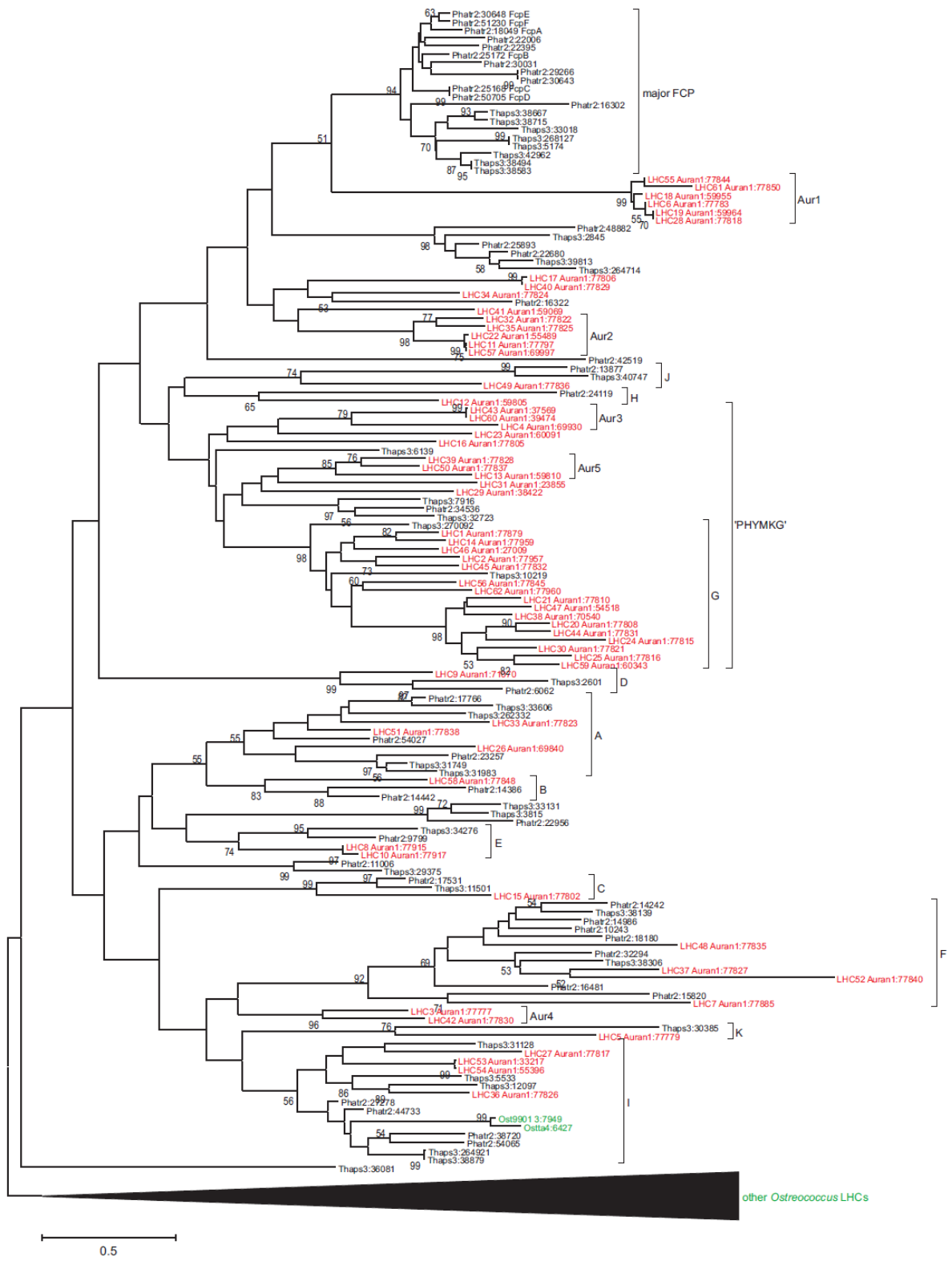
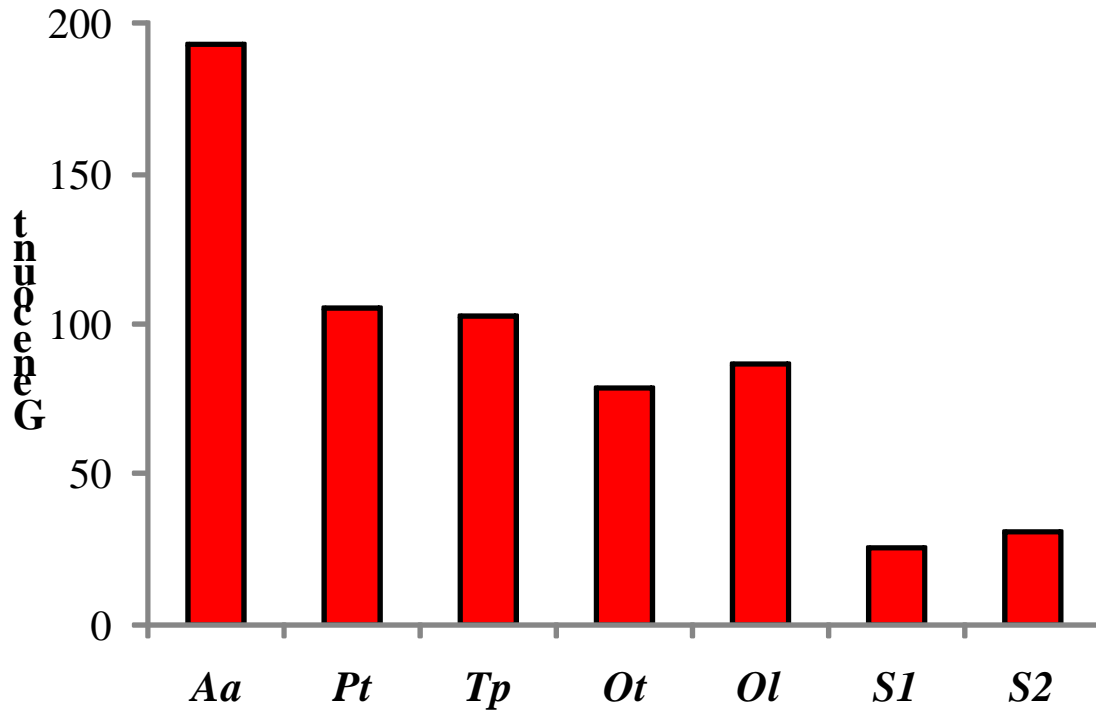


Figure S2. Genes associated with secondary metabolite biosynthesis, transport, and catabolism in *A. anophagefferens* and six comparative phytoplankton as identified via KOG analysis (EuKaryotic Orthologous Groups) for identifying ortholog and paralog proteins. Aa, Pt, Tp, Ot, Ol, S1, and S2 are *Phaeodactylum tricornutum*, *Thalassiosira pseudonana*, *Ostreococcus tauri*, *Ostreococcus lucimarinus*, *Synechococcus* clone CC9311 and *Synechococcus* clone CC9902, respectively.



3) SUPPLEMENTAL TABLES

Table S1. Sequence reads statistics of the *A. anophagefferens* genome

Insert Size	Untrimmed Sequence	Trimmed Sequence
2-3 KB	295.5 MB	214.6 MB
6-8 KB	289 MB	215 MB
35-40 KB	70 MB	18 MB
Total Untrimmed	654 MB	447 MB

Table S2. *A. anophagefferens* genome assembly statistics.

Scaffold Total:	1,202
Scaffold Sequence Total:	59.6 MB
Scaffold N50:	13
Scaffold L50:	1.3 MB
Contig Total:	5,776
Contig Sequence Total:	53.5 MB (10.1% gap)
Contig N50:	405
Contig L50:	34.0 KB
Estimated Depth:	7.0 +/- 0.13

Table S3. Mean characteristics of predicted gene models.

Gene length (bp)	2,138
Transcript length (bp)	1,601
Protein length (aa)	523
Exons per gene	2
Exon length (bp)	694
Intron length (bp)	412
Gene density /Mb	205

Table S4. Support for predicted gene models.

Gene count:	11,501
Supported by ESTs	2,435 (21%)
Supported by homology (Swissprot)	8,867 (77%)
Contain Pfam domain	7,834 (68%)

Table S5. Pfam domains unique to *A. anophagefferens* relative to six other phytoplankton.

Name	Number	Pfam domain number
Total	209	-
REJ domain	12	PF02010
Alpha-L-arabinofuranosidase B	5	PF09206
Lectin C-type domain	5	PF00059
Melibiose	5	PF02065
Myosin N-terminal SH3-like domain	5	PF02736
Poly(ADP-ribose) polymerase catalytic domain	5	PF00644
Scavenger receptor cysteine-rich domain	5	PF00530
Glycosyl hydrolases family 32 N terminal	4	PF00251
Laminin EGF-like (Domains III and V)	4	PF00053
Proprotein convertase P-domain	4	PF01483
Pro-kumamolisin, activation domain	4	PF09286
Berberine and berberine like	3	PF08031
Plastocyanin-like domain	3	PF02298
Glycosyl hydrolase family 20, domain 2	3	PF02838
Glycosyl hydrolase family 45	3	PF02015
Heparan sulfate 2-O-sulfotransferase (HS2ST)	3	PF05040
Neurotransmitter-gated ion-channel transmembrane region	3	PF02932
Polycystin cation channel	3	PF08016
PQQ enzyme repeat	3	PF01011
Plasmid pRiA4b ORF-3-like protein	3	PF07929
RhoGEF domain	3	PF00621
N-acetyltransferase	2	PF00797
Acyl-CoA thioesterase	2	PF02551
Cellulase	2	PF00150
CutC family	2	PF03932
Domain of Unknown Function (DUF1530)	2	PF07060
Domain of Unknown Function (DUF583)	2	PF04519
Domain of Unknown Function (DUF849)	2	PF05853
Endoplasmic reticulum protein ERp29, C-terminal domain	2	PF07749
F-actin capping protein alpha subunit	2	PF01267
Glycosyl hydrolase family 67 C-terminus	2	PF07477
Glycosyl hydrolase family 67 middle domain	2	PF07488
Glycosyl hydrolase family 92	2	PF07971
GMP-PDE, delta subunit	2	PF05351
Phospholipase B	2	PF04916
Neurotransmitter-gated ion-channel ligand binding domain	2	PF02931
Not1 N-terminal domain, CCR4-Not complex component	2	PF04065
NUMOD4 motif	2	PF07463
Pre-SET motif	2	PF05033
Radial spokehead-like protein	2	PF04712
Radial spoke protein 3	2	PF06098
UDP-glucuronosyl and UDP-glucosyl transferase	2	PF00201
WWE domain	2	PF02825
3-hydroxyanthranilic acid dioxygenase	1	PF06052
ab-hydrolase associated lipase region	1	PF04083
Allophanate hydrolase subunit 1	1	PF02682
Asparaginase	1	PF01112
BTB And C-terminal Kelch	1	PF07707
BCS1 N terminal	1	PF08740
Bestrophin	1	PF01062
Cysteine dioxygenase type I	1	PF05995
CUB domain	1	PF00431
Dioxygenase	1	PF00775
Down-regulated in metastasis	1	PF07539
Domain of Unknown Function (DUF108)	1	PF01958
Domain of Unknown Function (DUF1130)	1	PF06571
Domain of Unknown Function (DUF1446)	1	PF07287
Domain of Unknown Function (DUF1448)	1	PF07289
CEO family (DUF1632)	1	PF07857

Table S6. Pfam domains enriched in *A. anophagefferens* relative to six other phytoplankton.

Domain name	A.						Synechococcus	Synechococcus	Pfam domain number
	<i>anophagefferens</i>	<i>P. tricornutum</i>	<i>T. pseudonana</i>	<i>O. tauri</i>	<i>O. lucimarinus</i>	(CC9311)	(CC9902)		
Protein kinase domain	265	122	144	102	94	1	1	PF00069	
Ankyrin repeat	176	60	68	55	50	0	0	PF00023	
WD 40 domain	142	79	90	86	98	0	0	PF00400	
ABC transporter	117	52	56	47	41	33	32	PF00005	
DnaJ domain	103	54	59	57	50	9	8	PF00226	
EF hand	147	39	49	26	24	1	0	PF00036	
FKBP-type peptidyl-prolyl cis-trans isomerase	53	27	25	26	21	2	2	PF00254	
Sell repeat	130	6	8	2	3	0	0	PF08238	
Cyclic nucleotide-binding domain	84	11	21	11	10	3	3	PF00027	
Cyclophilin type peptidyl-prolyl cis-trans isomerase/CLD	43	19	24	22	22	2	2	PF00160	
Kinesin motor domain	60	15	26	15	15	0	0	PF00225	
ABC1 family	40	22	19	21	20	4	3	PF03109	
Aldo/keto reductase family	48	22	28	10	10	4	3	PF00248	
Ion transport protein	65	12	17	13	12	2	1	PF00520	
Core histone H2A/H2B/H3/H4	48	16	26	14	15	0	0	PF00125	
WW domain	44	14	23	12	14	0	0	PF00397	
Protein phosphatase 2C	30	20	18	14	13	0	0	PF00481	
KR domain	33	17	12	10	8	8	5	PF08659	
AMP-binding enzyme	34	14	16	11	10	3	2	PF00501	
C2 domain	34	21	11	11	9	0	0	PF00168	
Beta-ketoacyl synthase, N-terminal domain	46	3	4	8	18	2	2	PF00109	
Ion channel	33	12	7	9	9	5	4	PF07885	
MYND finger	54	8	7	4	3	0	0	PF01753	
Regulator of chromosome condensation (RCC1)	24	6	16	11	10	0	0	PF00415	
Papain family cysteine protease	29	8	11	9	9	0	0	PF00112	
Glutathione S-transferase, N-terminal domain	23	8	8	12	7	4	3	PF02798	
Phytanoyl-CoA dioxygenase (PhyH)	32	9	8	7	6	0	1	PF05721	
ABC2 type transporter	19	12	8	9	10	1	2	PF01061	
Amadillo/beta-catenin-like repeat	38	8	8	2	3	0	0	PF00514	
Zinc-binding dehydrogenase	17	11	9	10	9	2	0	PF00107	
PH domain	29	10	11	5	2	0	0	PF00169	
Sulfatase	46	4	3	0	0	0	0	PF00884	
Aminotransferase class-V	14	8	6	7	6	6	6	PF00266	
Myosin head (motor domain)	31	9	11	1	1	0	0	PF00063	
U-box domain	25	6	9	7	5	0	0	PF04564	
CobW/HypB/UreG, nucleotide-binding domain	17	5	8	9	6	4	3	PF02492	
Aldehyde dehydrogenase family	19	8	8	6	6	3	1	PF00171	
Ubiquitin family	25	10	5	5	4	0	0	PF00240	
Sodium/calcium exchanger protein	20	6	9	4	4	3	2	PF01699	
Phosphatidylinositol 3- and 4-kinase	16	6	10	9	7	0	0	PF00454	
Tubulin/FtsZ family, GTPase domain	15	6	8	8	7	1	1	PF00091	
Tubulin/FtsZ family, C-terminal domain	14	6	8	8	7	1	1	PF03953	
Dual specificity phosphatase, catalytic domain	16	5	8	8	5	1	0	PF00782	
HECT-domain (ubiquitin-transferase)	15	9	7	8	4	0	0	PF00632	
Tetratricopeptide repeat	25	4	1	6	4	1	1	PF07721	
EGF-like domain	18	1	9	7	5	0	0	PF07974	
Actin	15	7	4	6	6	0	0	PF00022	
Cobalamin synthesis protein cobW C-terminal domain	11	4	7	6	4	3	2	PF07683	
Acyl-CoA dehydrogenase, middle domain	12	6	6	6	5	0	0	PF02770	
FG-GAP repeat	29	0	2	2	1	0	0	PF01839	
Cation transporter/ATPase, N-terminus	12	7	6	5	3	0	0	PF00690	
Phosphopantetheine attachment site	11	3	3	6	3	2	2	PF00550	
Acyl-CoA dehydrogenase, C-terminal domain	11	6	6	4	3	0	0	PF00441	
Clathrin adaptor complex small chain	9	5	5	6	5	0	0	PF01217	
Cathepsin propeptide inhibitor domain (I29)	14	5	7	1	0	0	0	PF08246	
Phospholipase/Carboxylesterase	10	3	6	3	4	1	1	PF02230	
SeIR domain	11	5	2	3	3	2	2	PF01641	
Sulfotransferase domain	13	2	8	2	1	1	1	PF00685	
'Cold-shock' DNA-binding domain	11	5	5	3	4	0	0	PF00313	
Dynammin family	12	5	5	3	3	0	0	PF00350	
Formin Homology 2 Domain	13	5	6	2	2	0	0	PF02181	
Serine carboxypeptidase	13	6	4	2	2	0	0	PF00450	
Cupin superfamily protein	11	5	5	3	3	0	0	PF08007	
Synaptobrevin	9	6	6	3	3	0	0	PF00957	
Amidohydrolase family	8	4	3	4	3	2	2	PF01979	
Dynein heavy chain	18	1	3	2	2	0	0	PF03028	
Dynein heavy chain, N-terminal region 2	16	1	4	2	2	0	0	PF08393	
tRNA synthetases class I (E and Q), catalytic domain	6	4	4	3	3	2	2	PF00749	
PPPDE putative peptidase domain	11	2	4	3	3	0	0	PF05903	
GDSL-like Lipase/Acylhydrolase	11	5	2	1	2	0	1	PF00657	
Domain of unknown function DUF21	6	4	4	2	2	2	2	PF01595	
Zinc finger, C2H2 type	8	1	4	5	4	0	0	PF00096	
Diacylglycerol acyltransferase	7	4	3	4	4	0	0	PF03982	
Patched family	7	3	2	4	4	0	0	PF02460	
Inorganic pyrophosphatase	8	3	3	1	1	2	2	PF00719	
RIOI family	6	3	3	4	4	0	0	PF01163	
Aspartyl/Asparaginyl beta-hydroxylase	11	5	2	0	1	0	1	PF05118	
Cytosol aminopeptidase family, catalytic domain	8	4	2	2	2	1	1	PF00883	
BNR/Asp-box repeat	10	1	1	2	3	1	1	PF02012	
Ribulose-phosphate 3 epimerase family	5	3	2	3	3	2	1	PF00834	
Peptidase family M20/M25/M40	6	3	3	2	2	1	2	PF01546	
Peptidase dimerisation domain	6	3	3	2	2	1	2	PF07687	
SH3 domain	16	0	2	0	0	0	0	PF00018	
Trehalose-phosphatase	7	2	3	3	3	0	0	PF02358	
Calponin homology (CH) domain	10	2	2	2	2	0	0	PF00307	
Proteasome/cyclosome repeat	7	2	3	3	3	0	0	PF01851	
BT1 family	6	3	3	3	3	0	0	PF03092	
Exostosin family	7	3	2	3	2	0	0	PF03016	
Transport protein particle (TRAPP) component, Bet3	7	3	3	2	2	0	0	PF04051	
Ribosomal protein L7/L12 C-terminal domain	6	3	2	2	2	1	1	PF00542	
IBR domain	7	2	2	3	2	0	0	PF01485	
Paired amphipathic helix repeat	7	2	3	2	2	0	0	PF02671	
Glycosyltransferase family 20	5	2	3	2	2	1	1	PF00982	
Glutamine synthetase, catalytic domain	5	2	3	1	1	3	1	PF00120	
3-Oxoacyl-[acyl-carrier-protein (ACP)] synthase III C-terminal	4	1	2	2	2	2	2	PF08541	
FYVE zinc finger	8	4	3	0	0	0	0	PF01363	
Acyl-CoA dehydrogenase, N-terminal domain	7	4	4	0	0	0	0	PF02771	

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	Semialdehyde dehydrogenase, NAD binding domain	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	PF01118
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	Aminomethyltransferase folate-binding domain	5	2	2	2	1	1	1	PF01571
	Amidohydrolase	5	2	2	2	1	1	1	PF04909
	Variant SH3 domain	12	0	2	0	0	0	0	PF07653
	Acytransferase family	7	2	1	1	1	2	0	PF01757
	Pirin C-terminal cupin domain	5	3	2	2	2	0	0	PF05726
	S-adenosylmethionine synthetase, central domain	5	1	2	2	1	1	1	PF02772
	Chlamydia polymorphic membrane protein (Chlamydia_PMP)	10	1	0	1	1	0	0	PF02415
	DJ-1/PipI family	3	2	2	2	2	2	0	PF01965
	Ribosomal RNA adenine dimethylase	3	2	2	2	2	1	1	PF00398
	S-adenosylmethionine synthetase, N-terminal domain	5	1	2	2	1	1	1	PF00438
	Glycine cleavage T-protein C-terminal barrel domain	5	1	2	2	1	1	1	PF08669
	CAP-Gly domain	7	2	3	1	0	0	0	PF01302
	Glycosyl hydrolase family 3 N terminal domain	8	3	0	0	0	1	1	PF00933
	Uracil DNA glycosylase superfamily	5	2	2	1	1	1	1	PF03167
	TruB family pseudouridylylase (N terminal domain)	3	2	2	2	2	1	1	PF01509
	S-adenosylmethionine synthetase, C-terminal domain	4	1	2	2	1	1	1	PF02773
	SAM domain (Sterile alpha motif)	6	1	2	1	2	0	0	PF00536
	Domain of unknown function (DUF323)	4	2	2	1	1	1	1	PF03781
	Dynein heavy chain, N-terminal region 1	5	1	3	2	1	0	0	PF08385
	Flavin-binding monooxygenase-like	5	1	2	2	0	0	0	PF00743
	Ribonucleotide reductase, barrel domain	6	2	2	1	1	0	0	PF02867
	SFT2-like protein	5	3	1	2	1	0	0	PF07770
	FMN-dependent dehydrogenase	6	2	2	1	1	0	0	PF01070
	Dihydrodipicolinate synthetase family	5	1	2	1	1	1	1	PF00701
	ATP cone domain	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	PF03477
	SAM domain (Sterile alpha motif)	5	2	1	2	2	0	0	PF07647
	RNA polymerase Rpb2, domain 4	4	2	2	2	2	0	0	PF04566
	Coatomer WD associated region	4	2	2	2	2	0	0	PF04053
	Family of unknown function (DUF500)	5	3	3	0	0	0	0	PF04366
	GCC2 and GCC3	8	0	0	2	1	0	0	PF07699
	TIP49 C-terminus	3	2	2	2	2	0	0	PF06068
	Glycosyltransferase family 25 (LPS biosynthesis protein)	7	0	0	0	3	0	1	PF01755
	MoeZ/MoeB domain	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	PF05237
	LeuA allosteric (dimerisation) domain	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	PF08502
	AFGI-like ATPase	3	2	2	2	2	0	0	PF03969
	Adenylylase kinase, active site lid	3	2	2	2	2	0	0	PF05191
	PQ loop repeat	4	1	2	2	2	0	0	PF04193
	Adenylylsulphate kinase	4	1	2	1	1	1	1	PF01583
	NHL repeat	4	0	1	2	2	1	1	PF01436
	Conserved region in glutamate synthase	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	PF01645
	Mo-co oxidoreductase dimerisation domain	4	2	2	2	1	0	0	PF03404
	Ribonucleotide reductase, all-alpha domain	5	2	2	1	0	0	0	PF00317
	Putative esterase	3	2	2	2	1	1	0	PF00756
	Protein of unknown function, DUF393	3	0	2	2	2	1	1	PF04134
	DNA mismatch repair protein, C-terminal domain	3	2	2	2	2	0	0	PF01119
	Domain of unknown function (DUF227)	5	1	2	1	1	0	0	PF02958
	Glycosyl hydrolases family 16	6	2	1	1	0	0	0	PF00722
	O-methyltransferase	5	1	0	2	2	0	0	PF01596
	Uncharacterised protein family UPP0066	3	1	2	2	2	0	0	PF01980
	MraW methylase family	3	1	1	2	1	1	1	PF01795
	Sterol methyltransferase C-terminal	3	1	2	2	2	0	0	PF08498
	Glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase, C-terminal domain	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	PF02781
	Dynein light chain type 1	5	1	2	1	1	0	0	PF01221
	Annexin	3	2	2	1	1	0	0	PF00191
	Glycosyl hydrolases family 2, TIM barrel domain	4	1	1	2	1	0	0	PF02836
	Vacuolar protein sorting-associated protein 26	3	1	1	2	2	0	0	PF03643
	Hydroxymethylglutaryl-coenzyme A synthase N terminal	7	1	1	0	0	0	0	PF01154
	Glycosyl hydrolase family 20, catalytic domain	7	2	0	0	0	0	0	PF00728
	NADPH-dependent FMN reductase	4	2	1	0	0	1	1	PF03358
	Leucine Rich Repeat	6	1	0	0	2	0	0	PF07723
	6-phosphofructo-2-kinase	3	2	2	1	0	0	0	PF01591
	Domain of Unknown Function (DUF1000)	3	2	1	2	1	0	0	PF06201
	Protein-L-isoaspartate(D-aspartate) O-methyltransferase (PCMT)	3	2	2	1	0	0	0	PF01135
	Cas Ip-like protein	3	2	2	1	1	0	0	PF07779
	Glycosyl hydrolases family 2, sugar binding domain	4	1	1	2	1	0	0	PF02837
	Protein of unknown function (DUF938)	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	PF06080
	Ketopantoate reductase PanE/ApbA	4	1	0	1	1	1	0	PF02558
	Urease alpha-subunit, N-terminal domain	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	PF00449
	Thymidylate kinase	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	PF02223
	Dehydratase family	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	PF00920
	MutL C terminal dimerisation domain	3	0	2	1	2	0	0	PF08676
	Urease, gamma subunit	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	PF00547
	Histone methylation protein DOT1	5	2	0	1	0	0	0	PF08123
	Acyl transferase domain	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	PF00698
	Glucokinase	3	1	1	1	0	1	1	PF02685
	Urease beta subunit	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	PF00699
	R3H domain	3	0	0	1	2	1	1	PF01424
	Ferrocyclase	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	PF00762
	Glycosyl hydrolases family 2, immunoglobulin-like beta-sandwich domain	3	1	1	2	1	0	0	PF00703
	Protein kinase C terminal domain	4	1	0	2	1	0	0	PF00433
	Cyclin	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	PF08613
	Ribosomal protein L5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	PF00281
	Repeat of unknown function (DUF1126)	4	0	1	2	1	0	0	PF06565
	Myotubularin-related	6	1	1	0	0	0	0	PF06602
	Dynamin central region	4	1	1	1	1	0	0	PF01031
	Porphobilinogen deaminase, dipyromethane cofactor binding domain	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	PF01379
	Tctex-1 family	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	PF03645
	Formate/nitrite transporter	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	PF01226
	GUN4-like	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	PF05419
	Aminopeptidase P, N-terminal domain	3	1	0	1	1	1	1	PF05195
	Glycosyl hydrolase family 3 C-terminal domain	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	PF01915
	C-terminal regulatory domain of Threonine dehydratase	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	PF00585
	ribosomal LSP family C-terminus	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	PF00673
	Protein of unknown function, DUF590	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	PF04547
	Mandelate racemase / mucionate lactonizing enzyme, N-terminal domain	4	0	1	0	0	2	0	PF02746
	Multicopper oxidase	4	0	1	0	1	1	0	PF07732
	G-protein alpha subunit	4	1	2	0	0	0	0	PF00503
	Pp19/Pso4-like	3	1	1	1	1	0	0	PF08606

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CHORD	3	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF04968
Thioesterase domain	3	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	PF00975
Cyanate lyase C-terminal domain	3	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	PF02560
Rapamycin binding domain	3	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF08771
Fomamidopyrimidine-DNA glycosylase N-terminal domain	2	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	PF01149
Transporter associated domain	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	PF03471
Chalcone and stilbene synthases, C-terminal domain	3	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	PF02797
Natural resistance-associated macrophage protein	3	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	PF01566
Nicotinate phosphoribosyltransferase (NAPRTase) family	3	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF04095
Filamin/ABP280 repeat	4	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	PF00630
UPF0126 domain	3	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	PF03458
Guanylate-binding protein, N-terminal domain	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF02263
Scramblase	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF03803
Ribosomal protein L21e	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF01157
Vps52 / Sac2 family	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF04129
Coatamer beta C-terminal region	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF07718
Domain of unknown function (DUF1900)	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF08954
LEM3 (ligand-effect modulator 3) family / CDC50 family	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF03381
Histone deacetylase (HDAC) interacting	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF08295
SCS domain	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF05002
Eukaryotic DNA topoisomerase I, catalytic core	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF01028
SEP domain	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF08059
Glycosylhydrolases family 28	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	PF00295
Receptor family ligand binding region	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	PF01094
Ribosomal protein L35Ae	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF01247
Eukaryotic protein of unknown function (DUF895)	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	PF05978
Malate/L-lactate dehydrogenase	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF02615
DSBA-like thioredoxin domain	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF01323
Phosphomannose isomerase type I	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF01238
Plus-3 domain	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF03126
Nep1 ribosome biogenesis protein	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF03587
Ribosomal protein S26e	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF01283
CRM1 C terminal	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF08767
RNA polymerase Rpc34 subunit	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF05158
Anti-silencing protein, ASF1-like	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF04729
Poly-adenylate binding protein, unique domain	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF00658
Ribosomal S13/S15 N-terminal domain	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF08069
Protein phosphatase 2A regulatory B subunit (B56 family)	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF01603
Macrocin-O-methyltransferase (TylF)	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF05711
Coatomer (COPI) alpha subunit C-terminus	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF06957
Calreticulin family	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF00262
Eukaryotic DNA topoisomerase I, DNA binding fragment	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF02919
Uncharacterized protein family UPF0027	2	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF01139
Protein of unknown function (DUF890)	2	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF05971
SRP19 protein	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	PF01922
Electron transfer flavoprotein-ubiquinone oxidoreductase	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF05187
Carboxylesterase	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	PF00135
Palmitoyl protein thioesterase	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	PF02089
Peptidyl-tRNA hydrolase PTH2	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	PF01981
Domain of unknown function (DUF298)	2	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF03556
Glutaredoxin 2, C-terminal domain	3	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF04399
Frataxin-like domain	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	PF01491
Pectinacetyltransferase	3	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	PF03283
Phenazine biosynthesis-like protein	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	PF02567
Tricarboxylate carrier	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF03820
Ribosomal L29e protein family	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF01779
Protein of unknown function (DUF339)	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	PF03937
p25-alpha	3	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	PF05517
Platelet-activating factor acetylhydrolase, plasma/intracellular isoform II	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	PF03403
Protein of unknown function (DUF1222)	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF06762
Polysaccharide deacetylase	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF01522
Domain of unknown function (DUF1899)	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF08953
Aldehyde oxidase and xanthine dehydrogenase, molybdopterin binding domain	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF02738
FS8 type C domain	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	PF00754
CO dehydrogenase flavoprotein C-terminal domain	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF03450
Na ⁺ /K ⁺ antiporter 1	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	PF06965
Glucosamine-6-phosphate isomerases/6-phosphogluconolactonase	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	PF01182
HRDC domain	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF00570
ELMO/CED-12 family	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	PF04727
OmpA family	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	PF00691
MyTH4 domain	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	PF00784
FAD binding domain in molybdopterin dehydrogenase	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF00941
Peptidase family C69	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	PF03577
Ribonuclease B OB domain	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	PF08206
RhoGAP domain	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF00620
FAEI/Type III polyketide synthase-like protein	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF08392
[2Fe-2S] binding domain	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF01799
HpcH/HpaI aldolase/citrate lyase family	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF03328
Double-stranded DNA-binding domain	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF01984
Protein of unknown function DUF84	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF01931
START domain	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	PF01852
PPP5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	PF08321
Glycosylhydrolases family 35	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	PF01301
Methyl-CpG binding domain	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	PF01429
Common central domain of tyrosinase	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	PF00264
Elongation factor I gamma, conserved domain	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	PF00647
Calx-beta domain	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	PF03160
Arp2/3 complex, 34 kD subunit p34-Arc	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	PF04045
HELP motif	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	PF03451
NADH pyrophosphatase zinc ribbon domain	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	PF09297
VHS domain	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	PF00790

Table S7. Sixty two light harvesting complex genes in the *A. anophagefferens* genome. The number of genes in competing phytoplankton genomes with BlastP match e-value of $< 10^{-5}$ is also depicted.

Pid	<i>P. tricornutum</i>	<i>T. pseudonana</i>	<i>O. lucimarinus</i>	<i>O. tauri</i>	<i>Synechococcus</i>	
					(CC9902)	(CC9311)
77879	25	21	0	1	0	0
77957	16	16	1	1	0	0
77783	37	36	10	11	0	0
77885	29	24	0	0	0	0
59805	29	30	0	1	0	0
77799	30	23	0	0	0	0
77802	15	18	0	1	0	0
77805	37	36	10	11	0	0
77806	24	21	0	0	0	0
77808	29	26	0	0	0	0
55489	30	32	2	3	0	0
77816	29	29	0	0	0	0
77817	22	17	0	0	0	0
38422	21	17	0	0	0	0
77821	37	34	1	2	0	0
23855	5	6	0	0	0	0
77822	22	23	4	4	0	0
77825	23	19	0	0	0	0
77826	24	22	0	0	0	0
77829	23	20	0	1	0	0
59069	35	35	5	7	0	0
77830	24	22	0	0	0	0
77831	26	23	0	0	0	0
54518	26	24	0	1	0	0
77836	21	22	0	0	0	0
77838	28	28	1	1	0	0
55396	37	33	3	3	0	0
77845	15	15	0	0	0	0
69997	21	19	0	0	0	0
39474	18	18	3	2	0	0
77850	14	17	0	0	0	0
77960	33	24	4	7	0	0
69930	24	22	0	0	0	0
77882	15	18	0	0	0	0
77915	27	26	0	0	0	0
71070	28	30	10	9	0	0
77917	33	34	2	2	0	0
77797	28	26	0	0	0	0
59810	34	28	8	8	0	0
59955	21	22	5	5	0	0
59964	35	35	1	1	0	0
77810	37	33	3	4	0	0
60091	40	38	10	7	0	0
77815	18	19	0	0	0	0
69840	24	23	1	2	0	0
77818	19	22	8	8	0	0
77823	24	25	1	1	0	0
77824	36	34	2	3	0	0
77827	37	36	8	7	0	0
70540	10	9	3	2	0	0
77828	23	20	0	0	0	0
37569	23	20	0	0	0	0
77832	33	33	4	5	0	0
77835	21	19	0	0	0	0
77840	24	24	1	1	0	0
77844	38	35	5	4	0	0
77848	32	24	5	4	0	0
60343	20	18	5	3	0	0
77880	33	35	5	6	0	0
33217	29	32	5	6	0	0
27009	25	20	1	1	0	0
77837	19	21	1	0	0	0

Table S8. Number of genes encoding transporters proteins in *A. anophagefferens* and six other phytoplankton identified according to Ren et al (2007).

	A.					<i>Synechococcus</i>	<i>Synechococcus</i>
	<i>anophagefferens</i>	<i>P. tricornutum</i>	<i>T. pseudonana</i>	<i>O. tauri</i>	<i>O. lucimarinus</i>	(CC9311)	(CC9902)
Total Transporter Proteins:	647	518	476	321	311	127	78
ATP-binding Cassette (ABC)	112	54	45	38	33	39	30
Neurotransmitter receptor, ligand-gated	13	0	0	0	0	0	0
Voltage-gated Ion Channels	69	18	19	16	16	5	1
Total ion channel proteins	82	18	19	16	16	5	1
Oligopeptide - ion symporter	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peptide - ion symporter	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Purine - ion symporters	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
D-xylose - ion symporter	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Myo-inositol - ion symporter	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Iron-phytosiderophore - ion symporter	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Major facilitator superfamily sugar	7	3	4	2	2	0	0
Nitrate transporters	1	6	3	1	1	1	2
Amino acid transporters	16	23	23	5	6	7	5
Nucleoside transporters	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
Nucleotide-sugar transporters	15	9	10	6	7	0	0
Urea transporters	2	3	3	1	1	6	0
Glucose transporter	4	2	2	0	0	2	0
UDP-sugar transporter	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Large, neutral amino acid transporter	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Glycerol transporter	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Molybdenum transporter	3	2	0	0	0	0	0
CutC family, Copper transporter	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
High-affinity Ni transporter (HoxN)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table S9. Sulfatases in *A. anophagefferens* and six competing phytoplankton genomes as determined via BlastP matches with e-values of $< 10^{-5}$.

Protein	PID	<i>P. tricornutum</i>	<i>T. pseudonana</i>	<i>O. lucimarinus</i>	<i>O. tauri</i>	<i>Synechococcus</i> (CC9902)	<i>Synechococcus</i> (CC9311)	E-value
Total sulfatases (47 in A.a.)	-	4	3	0	0	0	0	
Arylsulfatase	1261	1	1	0	0	0	0	1.30E-54
Arylsulfatase	1327	1	1	0	0	0	0	2.40E-48
Arylsulfatase	1481	1	1	0	0	0	0	5.20E-47
Arylsulfatase	1628	2	2	0	0	0	0	2.60E-56
Arylsulfatase	1789	1	1	0	0	0	0	3.70E-20
Arylsulfatase	2359	1	1	0	0	0	0	1.40E-50
Arylsulfatase	2707	1	1	0	0	0	0	3.10E-43
Arylsulfatase	10706	1	1	0	0	0	0	4.20E-42
Arylsulfatase	13369	1	1	0	0	0	0	1.70E-26
Arylsulfatase	22180	2	1	0	0	0	0	1.10E-45
Arylsulfatase	22237	0	2	0	0	0	0	1.30E-08
Arylsulfatase	22393	1	1	0	0	0	0	1.70E-36
Arylsulfatase	24403	1	1	0	0	0	0	1.10E-43
Arylsulfatase	26087	1	1	0	0	0	0	3.80E-25
Arylsulfatase	26103	2	0	0	0	0	0	5.80E-41
Arylsulfatase	26603	2	1	0	0	0	0	2.00E-49
Arylsulfatase	30696	1	1	0	0	0	0	2.50E-52
Arylsulfatase	33025	1	1	0	0	0	0	6.50E-49
Arylsulfatase	60668	2	1	0	0	0	0	9.40E-56
Arylsulfatase	62515	1	1	0	0	0	0	5.80E-44
Arylsulfatase	62683	0	1	0	0	0	0	1.30E-07
Arylsulfatase	65375	1	1	0	0	0	0	6.50E-63
Arylsulfatase	66030	1	1	0	0	0	0	2.80E-25
Arylsulfatase	66827	1	1	0	0	0	0	3.10E-21
Arylsulfatase	68604	1	1	0	0	0	0	3.90E-47
Arylsulfatase	68689	2	3	0	0	0	0	4.10E-18
Arylsulfatase	70521	1	2	0	0	0	0	1.90E-09
Arylsulfatase	70842	1	1	0	0	0	0	2.40E-35
Arylsulfatase	71025	1	1	0	0	0	0	1.50E-32
Arylsulfatase	71524	1	1	0	0	0	0	8.00E-41
Arylsulfatase	72312	1	1	0	0	0	0	1.70E-36
Glucosamine (N-acetyl)-6-sulfatase	12528	2	2	0	0	0	0	3.20E-13
Glucosamine (N-acetyl)-6-sulfatase	29931	1	1	0	0	0	0	1.50E-37
Glucosamine (N-acetyl)-6-sulfatase	61173	1	1	0	0	0	0	9.00E-34
Glucosamine (N-acetyl)-6-sulfatase	65638	1	3	0	0	0	0	1.20E-15
Heparanase-like protein	3240	1	0	0	0	0	0	9.20E-15
Iduronate 2 sulfatase	67199	1	1	0	0	0	0	3.10E-12
Sulfatase	1219	1	1	0	0	0	0	3.00E-10
Sulfatase	5411	1	2	0	0	0	0	1.70E-10
Sulfatase	27261	1	1	0	0	0	0	2.20E-60
Sulfatase	37517	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.10E-39
Sulfatase	62077	1	1	0	0	0	0	9.30E-15
Sulfatase	64538	1	1	0	0	0	0	1.50E-31
Sulfatase	64729	1	1	0	0	0	0	5.00E-31
Tripeptidyl peptidase, sulfatase	62802	0	1	0	0	0	0	1.50E-35

Table S10. Genes encoding associated with sugar and oligosaccharide catabolism in *A. anophagefferens*. The number of genes in six competing phytoplankton genomes with a BlastP match with an e-value of $< 10^{-5}$ is also depicted.

Name	PID	<i>P. tricornutum</i>	<i>T. pseudonana</i>	<i>O. tauri</i>	<i>O. lucimarinus</i>	<i>Synechococcus</i> (CC9311)	<i>Synechococcus</i> (CC9902)	E_value
Total carbohydrate metabolism genes (85 in <i>A.a.</i>)	-	29	17	13	8	4	4	
Alpha-1,2-mannosidase	54067	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Alpha-1,2-mannosidase	68089	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Alpha-1,6-mannanase	3349	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Alpha-arabinofuranosidase	1957	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Alpha-arabinofuranosidase	2105	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Alpha-arabinofuranosidase	5150	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Alpha-arabinofuranosidase	21400	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Alpha-arabinofuranosidase	21424	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Alpha-galactosidase	2766	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Alpha-galactosidase	35927	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Alpha-galactosidase	27878	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Alpha-galactosidase	29988	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Alpha-galactosidase	20459	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Alpha-glucuronidase	10378	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Alpha-glucuronidase	66483	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Alpha-L-iduronidase	23523	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Beta-1,4-cellobiohydrolase	62046	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Beta-1,4-endoglucanase	5984	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Beta-1,4-endoglucanase	6432	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Beta-1,4-endoglucanase	6555	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Beta-fructofuranosidase	7475	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Beta-fructofuranosidase	61300	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Beta-fructofuranosidase	64125	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Beta-fructofuranosidase	65284	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Beta-glucuronyl hydrolase	70832	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Beta-mannosidase	67274	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Cellulase	12783	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Cellulase	23504	0	0	0	0	0	0	
D-galactarate dehydratase / Altronate hydrolase	20418	0	0	0	0	0	0	
di-N-acetylchitobiase	19716	0	0	0	0	0	0	
di-N-acetylchitobiase	26629	0	0	0	0	0	0	
di-N-acetylchitobiase	34613	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Endo-1,4-beta-xylanase	60931	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mannitol dehydrogenase	70600	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mannonate dehydratase	60041	0	0	0	0	0	0	
N-acylglicosamine 2-epimerase	33301	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Pectate lyase	70968	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Polysaccharide deacetylase	5548	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Polysaccharide deacetylase	71217	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Alpha-1,2-mannosidase	1504	2	4	2	2	0	0	6.70E-75
Alpha-1,2-mannosidase	10610	2	4	2	2	0	0	4.20E-67
Alpha-1,2-mannosidase	30199	2	4	2	2	0	0	3.00E-107
Alpha-1,2-mannosidase	53176	3	1	0	0	0	0	2.00E-56
Alpha-1,2-mannosidase	63227	1	3	1	2	0	0	1.00E-20
Alpha-1,2-mannosidase	71340	2	4	2	2	0	0	5.00E-142
Alpha-galactosidase	72107	1	1	0	0	0	0	2.50E-95
Alpha-glucosidase	10333	0	1	3	4	0	0	8.70E-83
Alpha-glucosidase	26418	1	1	0	1	0	0	2.10E-18
Alpha-glucosidase	67160	0	1	3	4	0	0	1.10E-60
alpha-glucosidase	70514	1	2	4	4	0	0	1.00E-168
Beta-galactosidase	31836	2	0	0	0	0	0	2.00E-13
Beta-galactosidase	61114	0	1	1	2	0	0	2.70E-08
Beta-galactosidase	66064	1	0	0	0	0	0	5.50E-23
Beta-glucanase	6383	2	1	0	1	0	0	4.60E-28
Beta-glucanase	13668	2	1	0	1	0	0	1.40E-24
Beta-glucanase	13675	2	1	0	1	0	0	9.40E-34
Beta-glucanase	19832	2	1	0	1	0	0	3.30E-26
Beta-glucanase	29716	2	1	0	1	0	0	1.50E-31
Beta-glucanase	70745	2	1	0	1	0	0	5.40E-11
Beta-glucosidase, Beta-xylosidase	539	6	0	0	0	1	1	5.20E-28
Beta-glucosidase, Beta-xylosidase	4612	3	0	0	0	0	0	1.70E-34
Beta-glucosidase, Beta-xylosidase	10207	5	0	0	0	0	1	2.30E-60
Beta-glucosidase, Beta-xylosidase	28037	2	0	0	0	0	0	1.50E-24
Beta-glucosidase, Beta-xylosidase	71699	5	0	0	0	0	0	1.50E-34
Beta-glucosidase, Beta-xylosidase	72703	4	0	0	0	0	0	4.40E-40
Beta-glucuronidase	3538	1	1	1	2	0	0	2.30E-42
Beta-glucuronidase	58877	1	1	1	2	0	0	4.00E-14
Beta-glucuronidase	71199	1	1	1	2	0	0	6.40E-09
Beta-hexosaminidase	22021	2	0	0	0	0	0	3.00E-27

Table S11. The number of genes encoding associated with sugar and oligosaccharide catabolism in *A. anophagefferens* and six competing phytoplankton genomes as determined via a BlastP matches with an e-value of $< 10^{-5}$.

Genes	A.					<i>Synechococcus</i>	<i>Synechococcus</i>
	<i>anophagefferens</i>	<i>P. tricornutum</i>	<i>T. pseudonana</i>	<i>O. tauri</i>	<i>O. lucimarinus</i>	(CC9311)	(CC9902)
Genes unique to <i>A. anophagefferens</i>							
Alpha-1,6-mannanase	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alpha-arabinofuranosidase	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alpha-glucuronidase	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alpha-L-iduronidase	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beta-1,4 cellobiohydrolase	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beta-fructofuranosidase	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beta-glucuronidase	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beta-mannosidase	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cellulase	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
D-galactarate dehydratase / Altronate hydrolase	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
endo-1,4-beta-xylanase	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Endoglucanase	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mannitol dehydrogenase	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mannonate dehydratase	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
N-acetylglucosamine 2-epimerase	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pectate lyase	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Polysaccharide deacetylase	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total count	29	0	0	0	0	0	0
Genes enriched in <i>A. anophagefferens</i>							
Alpha-1,2-mannosidase	8	4	5	2	2	0	0
Alpha-galactosidase	6	2	1	0	1	2	2
Beta-galactosidase	3	1	1	1	2	0	0
Beta-glucanase	6	2	1	0	1	0	0
Beta-glucosidase, Beta-xylosidase	6	3	0	0	0	1	1
Beta-glucuronidase	3	1	1	1	2	0	0
Beta-hexosaminidase	3	2	0	0	0	0	0
Beta-N-acetylhexosaminidase	3	2	0	0	0	0	0
Polygalacturonase	4	3	0	0	0	0	0
Endo-1,3-beta-glucanase	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Glucosamine-6-phosphate deaminase	2	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total count	45	21	10	4	8	4	4
Genes shared among the comparative phytoplankton							
Alpha-glucosidase	4	1	2	3	4	0	0
Beta-xylosidase	1	3	0	0	0	0	0
di-N-acetylchitobiase	4	0	4	0	0	0	0
Glucan 1,4-beta-glucosidase	1	3	0	0	0	0	0
Prunasin hydrolase	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
Total count	11	8	7	4	5	0	0

Table S12. Enzymes involved in degrading non-carbohydrate organic compounds in *A. anophagefferens* for which none of the competing phytoplankton genomes had a BlastP match with an e-value of $< 10^{-5}$.

Protein	Pid
Phospholipase B	11045
Phospholipase B	24092
Phospholipase D	59940
Lipase, ab-hydrolase	19589
Esterase	66525
Esterase	65650
Erythromycin esterase	33989
Hydrolase	25564
Hydrolase	69191
Hydrolase	72064
Hydrolase	65063
Hydrolase	64633
Hydrolase	63033

Table S13. Genes encoding enzymes involved in degrading organic nitrogen compounds in the *A. anophagefferens* genome. The number of genes in competing phytoplankton genomes with an e-value of $< 10^{-5}$ during BlastP searches is also depicted.

Protein	<i>P. tricornutum</i>	<i>T. pseudonana</i>	<i>O. lucimarinus</i>	<i>O. tauri</i>	<i>Synechococcus</i>		Pid	E value
					(CC9902)	(CC9311)		
3-hydroxyanthranilic acid dioxygenase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25591
4-hydroxyphenylacetate 3-hydroxylase family	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34356
Allophanate hydrolase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19876
Asparaginase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24129
Asparaginase/glutaminase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	66990
Aspartate dehydrogenase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13917
Cysteine dioxygenase type I	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33800
Dioxygenase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	64861
Histidine ammonia-lyase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22572
Lactam degradation enzyme, Lamb/YcsF family	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23531
Membrane bound dipeptidase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	59458
Nitrile hydratase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25066
Peptidase family C1 propeptide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	72715
Phenylalanine and histidine ammonia-lyase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22572
Pro-kumamolisin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	63942
Proline racemase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23808
Tripeptidyl peptidase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70813
Urocanase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	71046
Acetamidase/Formidase	4	1	0	1	1	1	1	60068 2.80E-06
Acetamidase/Formidase	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	37987 1.20E-13
Aliphatic amidase	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	28333 1.00E-124
Asparaginase	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	25391 5.60E-80
Asparaginase	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	11569 7.70E-41
Beta-ureidopropionase-like protein	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	19125 7.40E-08
Cathepsin	6	4	2	2	0	0	0	52916 6.60E-26
Cyanase	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	21408 1.40E-15
Cyanase	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	58996 5.30E-47
Cyanase	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	60366 7.40E-51
Cystathionine beta lyase	4	3	4	4	3	3	3	58595 7.90E-16
Dihydrolipoamide dehydrogenase	9	10	4	4	2	2	2	25795 2.80E-37
Dihydrolipoamide dehydrogenase	11	11	4	4	2	2	2	26536 2.60E-09
Dipeptidase	7	4	0	0	2	2	2	68680 1.50E-33
Glycine cleavage protein	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	20469 2.40E-74
Glycine cleavage protein	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	59391 3.00E-59
Nitrilase	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	25106 2.30E-10
Nitrilase	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	5287 3.70E-12
Nitrilase, hydratase	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	59241 1.10E-28
Nitrilase, hydratase	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	58715 3.70E-36
Nitrilase, hydratase	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	59719 3.60E-07
Nitrilase, hydratase	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	59666 2.80E-07
Nitrilase	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	27699 5.10E-26
Oxidoreductase	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	29204 3.30E-83
Peptidase	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	20552 0.00E+00
Proline dehydrogenase	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	25925 2.60E-18
Proline dehydrogenase	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	51906 2.00E-10
Pyroglutamyl peptidase	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	28248 1.30E-17
Urease	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	77851 1.00E-158
Urease	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	77852 0
Urease	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	77854 0
Urease accessory protein	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30203 2.10E-74
Urease accessory protein	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	28624 1.50E-73
Urease accessory protein	1	1	3	1	0	0	0	65637 4.10E-11
5'-nucleotidase	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	29238 8.00E-106
5'-nucleotidase	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	20516 5.80E-37
5'-nucleotidase	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	21301 1.00E-129
5'-nucleotidase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28588
5'-nucleotidase	3	2	1	1	0	0	0	60839 4.10E-16
Zinc carboxypeptidase	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	1129 1.80E-11
Zinc carboxypeptidase	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	10716 1.40E-09
Zinc carboxypeptidase	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	18992 1.40E-69
Zinc carboxypeptidase	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	23587 8.70E-09
Zinc carboxypeptidase	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	30345 4.40E-10
Zinc carboxypeptidase	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	60734 8.80E-07

Table S14. Selenocysteine-containing proteins in the *A. anophagefferens* genome.

Selenocysteine-containing proteins	PID
Thioredoxin domain containing protein	77962
Thioredoxin domain containing protein	78111
Thioredoxin domain containing protein	78110
Thioredoxin domain containing protein	78109
Thioredoxin domain containing protein	78108
Glutathione peroxidase	77994
Glutathione peroxidase	77995
Glutathione peroxidase	77996
Glutathione peroxidase	77997
Glutathione peroxidase	78003
Methionine sulfoxide reductase A	77998
Methionine sulfoxide reductase A	77999
Methionine sulfoxide reductase A	78000
Methionine sulfoxide reductase A	78001
Methionine sulfoxide reductase B	78002
Methionine sulfoxide reductase B	77940
Methionine sulfoxide reductase B	78004
Methionine sulfoxide reductase B	77942
Glutaredoxin	77970
Glutaredoxin	77969
Glutaredoxin	77966
Peroxiredoxin	78116
Peroxiredoxin	78117
Peroxiredoxin	77974
Selenoprotein T	77992
Selenoprotein W	77920
Selenoprotein W	77991
Selenoprotein W	78120
Selenoprotein W	78121
Selenoprotein W	78119
Selenoprotein O	77993
Selenoprotein U	77989
Selenoprotein U	77988
Selenoprotein M	77987
Selenoprotein M	78118
Fe-S oxidoreductase	77968
Selenoprotein Sep15	77986
Selenoprotein H	77985
Iodothyronine deiodinase	77984
Thioredoxin reductase	77983
Selenoprotein K	77979
Methyltransferase	78115
Methyltransferase	77963
Thiol:disulfide interchange protein	77965
Fe-S reductase	77972
UGSC-containing protein	77971
Membrane SelenoProtein	77964
GILT superfamily protein	77961
Rhodanase	78106
Protein disulfide isomerase	78005
Protein disulfide isomerase	77982
Protein disulfide isomerase	77977
Hypothetical protein	78107
Hypothetical protein	78112
Hypothetical protein	78113
Hypothetical protein	77980
Hypothetical protein	77978
Hypothetical protein	77975
Hypothetical protein	77967

Table S15. Distribution of metal-dependent proteins (Cu, Mo, Ni and Co) in *A. anophagefferens*

Metal	Metal-dependent protein family	Occurrence
Copper	Cu-Zn SOD	2
	Multi-copper oxidases	5
	Tyrosinase-like	20
Molybdenum	Sulfite oxidase	4
	Xanthine oxidase	2
Nickel	Urease	3
Cobalt (B12)	Methylmalonyl-CoA mutase	1
	Methionine synthase MetH	1

Table S16. Copper and molybdenum-containing proteins in the *A. anophagefferens* genome. The number of glycosylation sites per gene is also depicted.

Protein	Pid	Glycosylation sites
Tyrosinase-like	65038	5
Tyrosinase-like	65957	1
Tyrosinase-like	66243	
Tyrosinase-like	66567	
Tyrosinase-like	66629	
Tyrosinase-like	68995	
Tyrosinase-like	62628	
Tyrosinase-like	63818	1
Tyrosinase-like	63931	
Tyrosinase-like	64110	1
Tyrosinase-like	64134	
Tyrosinase-like	64228	
Tyrosinase-like	60940	
Tyrosinase-like	61043	8
Tyrosinase-like	62829	
Tyrosinase-like	63281	
Tyrosinase-like	64088	
Tyrosinase-like	64968	
Tyrosinase-like	72806	
Multicopper oxidase family	7686	
Multicopper oxidase family	27976	
Multicopper oxidase family	67552	
Multicopper oxidase family	71033	6
Multicopper oxidase family	72875	5
CuZn superoxide dismutase	7942	
CuZn superoxide dismutase	59136	
Sulfite oxidase family	64855	
Sulfite oxidase family	26887	
Sulfite oxidase family	55689	
Sulfite oxidase family	53391	
Xanthine oxidase family	36810	
Xanthine oxidase family	71657	

Table S17. Number of genes encoding enzymes associated with the deterrence of competitors and predators in the *A. anophagefferens* genome. The number of genes in competing phytoplankton genomes with an e-value of $< 10^{-5}$ during BlastP searches is also depicted.

	<i>P. tricornutum</i>	<i>T. pseudonana</i>	<i>O. lucimarinus</i>	<i>O. tauri</i>	<i>Synechococcus</i> (CC9902)	<i>Synechococcus</i> (CC9311)	Pid
Berberine bridge enzyme	0	0	0	0	0	0	71018
Berberine bridge enzyme	0	0	0	0	0	0	62139
Berberine bridge enzyme	0	0	0	0	0	0	60769
Berberine bridge enzyme	0	0	1	1	1	0	67201
Berberine bridge enzyme	0	0	0	0	0	0	60770
Chloroquine transporter	0	0	0	0	0	0	65191
Membrane attack complex, Perforin domain	0	0	0	0	0	0	60790
Phenazine biosynthesis protein	0	1	0	0	0	0	19587
Phenazine biosynthesis protein	0	0	0	0	0	0	13446
Phenazine biosynthesis protein	0	0	0	0	0	0	35436
Erythromycin esterase	0	0	0	0	0	0	33989
ABC transporters, n=112	54	45	38	33	39	0	Multiple
Multi-drug ABC transporters, n=40	20	17	8	9	10	11	Multiple