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Mechanisms of Carotenoid-to-Bacteriochlorophyll Energy Transfer in the Light Harvesting Antenna Complexes 1 and 2: Dependence on the Conjugation Length of Carotenoids

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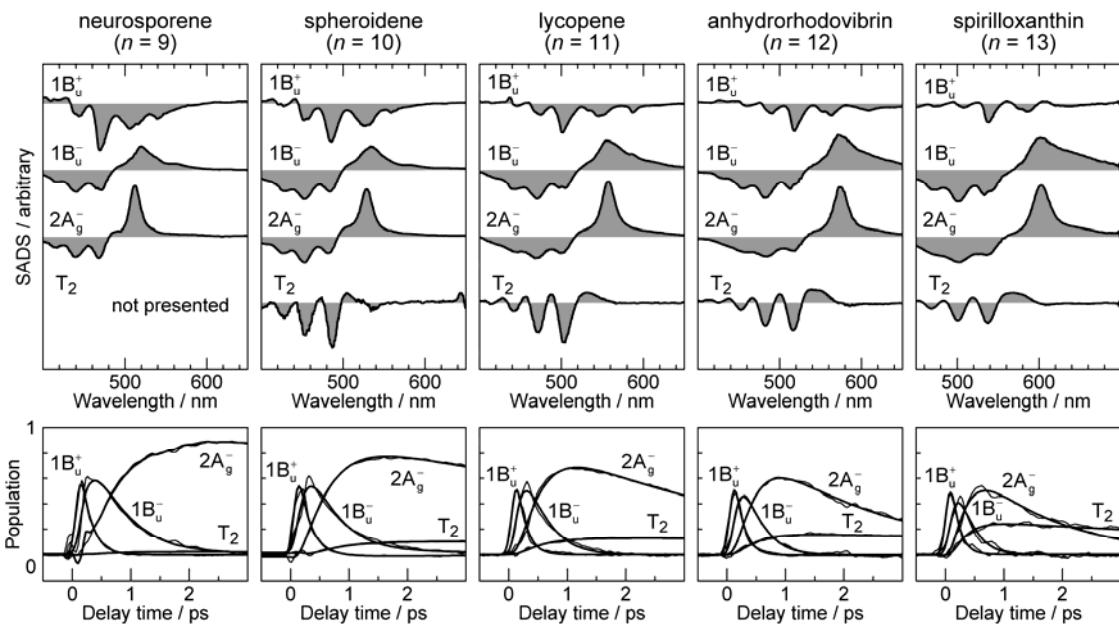


Fig. S1. The SADS (the top panels) and the time-dependent changes in population (the bottom panels) for the $1B_u^+$, $1B_u^-$ and $2A_g^-$ singlet-excited states and the T_2 ($1A_g$) state, that were obtained by the SVD and global-fitting analyses of the visible, subpicosecond time-resolved spectra of neurosporene ($n = 9$), spheroidene ($n = 10$), lycopene ($n = 11$), anhydrorhodovibrin ($n = 12$) and spirilloxanthin ($n = 13$) in the visible region (see Fig. 3 for the relaxation scheme).

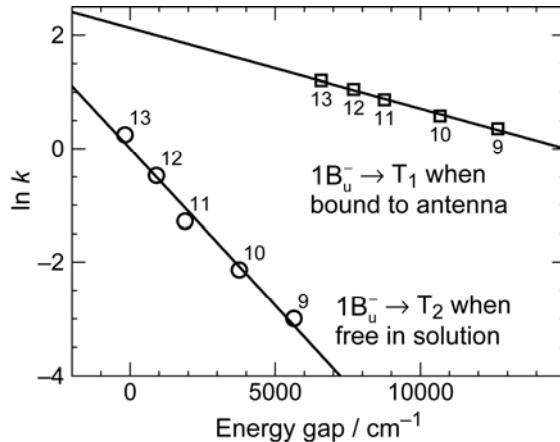


Fig. S2. The rates of the $1B_u^- \rightarrow T_2$ singlet-to-triplet electronic conversion in solution and those of the $1B_u^- \rightarrow T_1$ singlet-to-triplet electronic conversion in the LH1 complexes fitted to an approximate energy-gap law in the form $\ln k = A - B \times \Delta E$, where k and ΔE are the rate (in ps^{-1}) and the energy gap (in cm^{-1}), respectively. $A = 2.0 \times 10^{-3}$ and $B = 5.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}$ in solution, and $A = 2.1$ and $B = 1.4 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}$ in LH1. The number of the conjugated double bonds, n , is indicated for each Car.

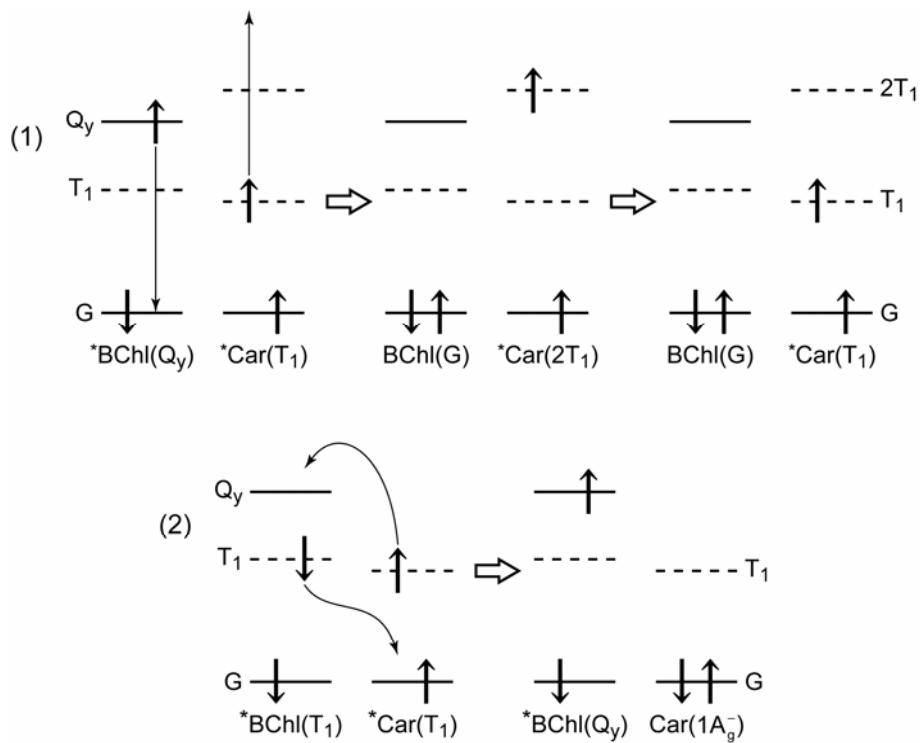


Fig. S3. The detailed mechanisms of the excited-state reactions shown in Eqs. 1 and 2 in the text. They include (1) BChl-Car singlet-triplet annihilation and, (2) BChl-Car triplet-triplet annihilation to generate the Q_y state of BChl. Asterisks indicate the excited states.

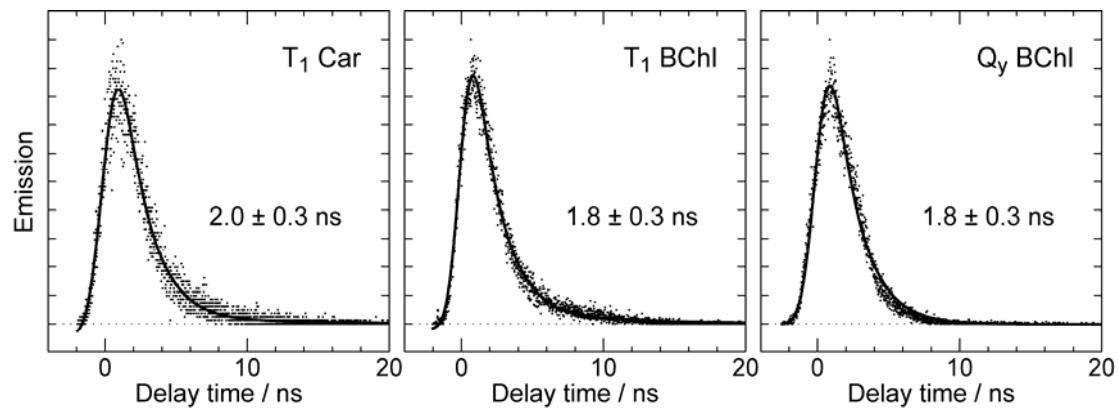


Fig. S4. Time profiles for T_1 Car, T_1 BChl and Q_y BChl in the LH2 complex from *Rba. sphaeroides* G1C determined by phosphorescence spectroscopy. The decay time constants are indicated in each panel.

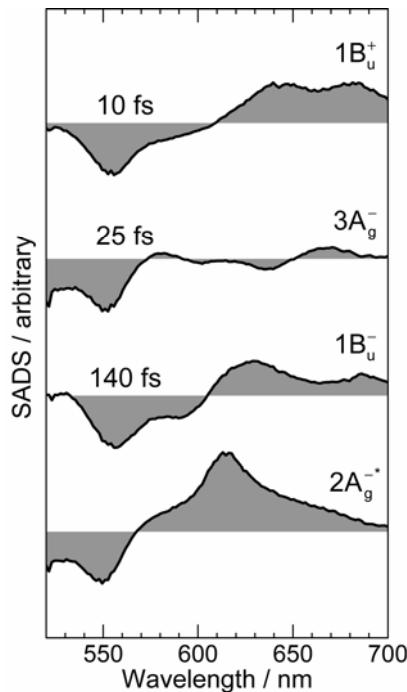


Fig. S5. The SADS for the $1B_u^+$, $3A_g^-$, $1B_u^-$ and $2A_g^-$ states of spirilloxanthin ($n = 13$) as the result of the SVD and global-fitting analysis of the time-resolved spectral data matrix that were obtained by the use of 5 fs pump-and-probe pulses. (Nishimura K, Rondonuwu FS, Fujii R, Akahane J, Koyama Y and Kobayashi T (2004) Sequential singlet internal conversion of $1B_u^+ \rightarrow 3A_g^- \rightarrow 1B_u^- \rightarrow 2A_g^- \rightarrow (1A_g^- \text{ ground})$ in all-*trans*-spirilloxanthin revealed by two-dimensional sub-5-fs spectroscopy. *Chem Phys Lett* 392: 68–73)