

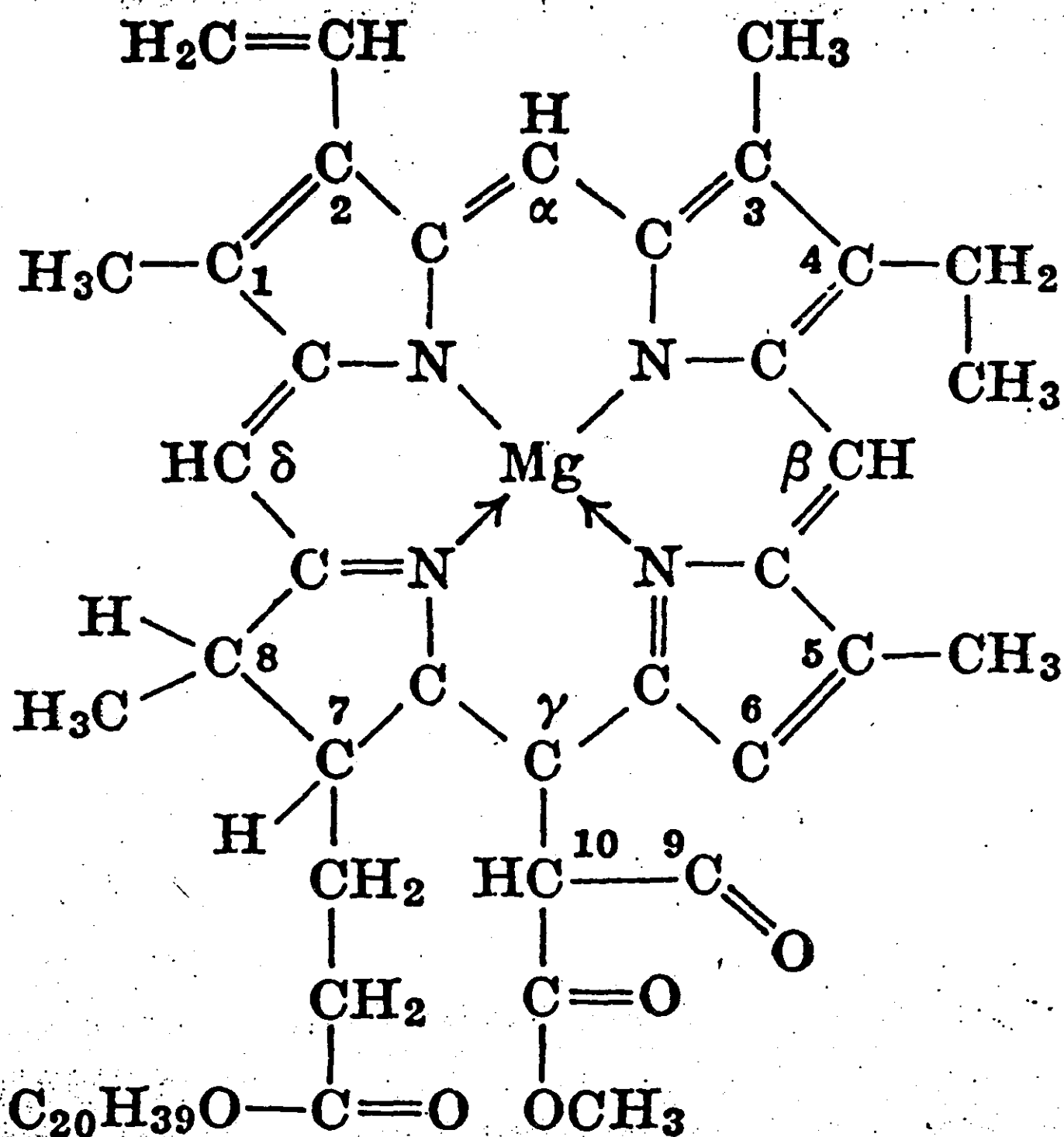


FIG. 8.1. Structure of Chlorophyll *a*.

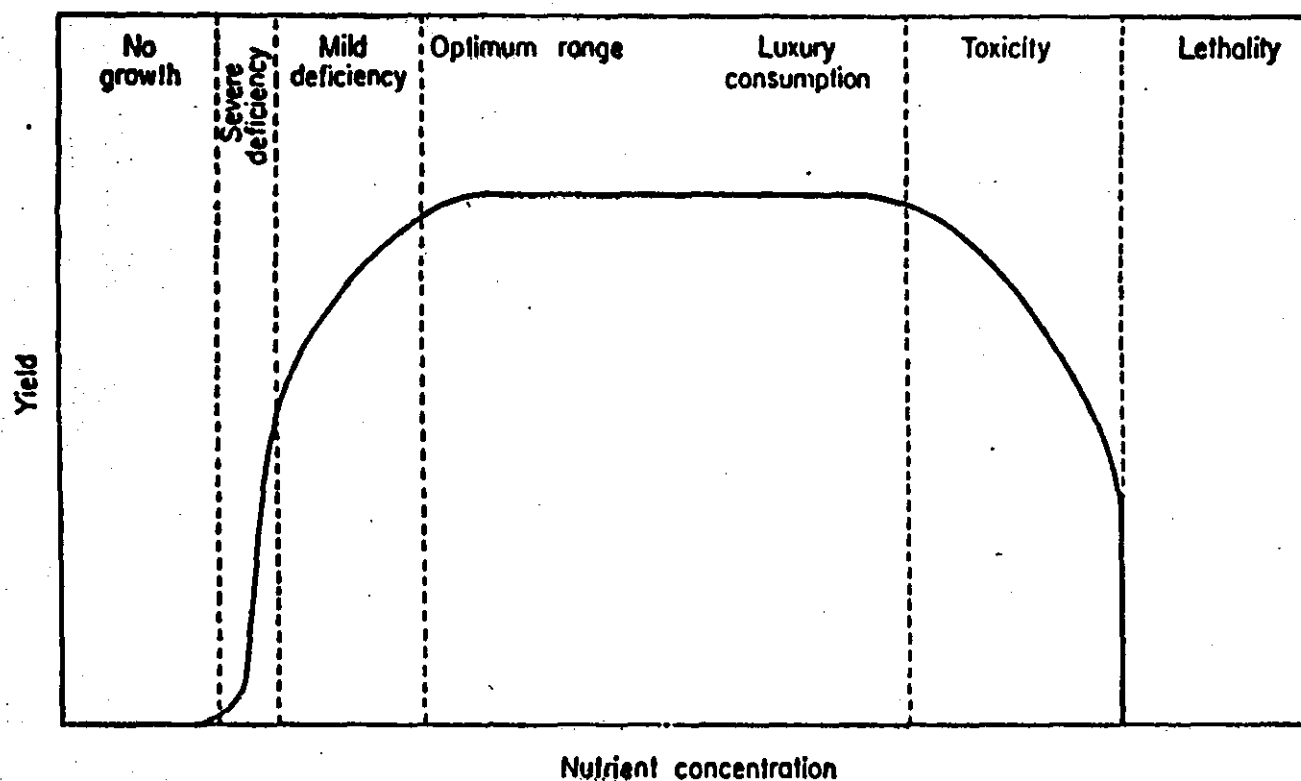


FIG. 7.1. Idealized diagram of growth of an organism as a function of the concentration of an essential nutrient. After P. F. Smith, 1962, *Annu. Rev. Plant. Physiol.* 13, 81.

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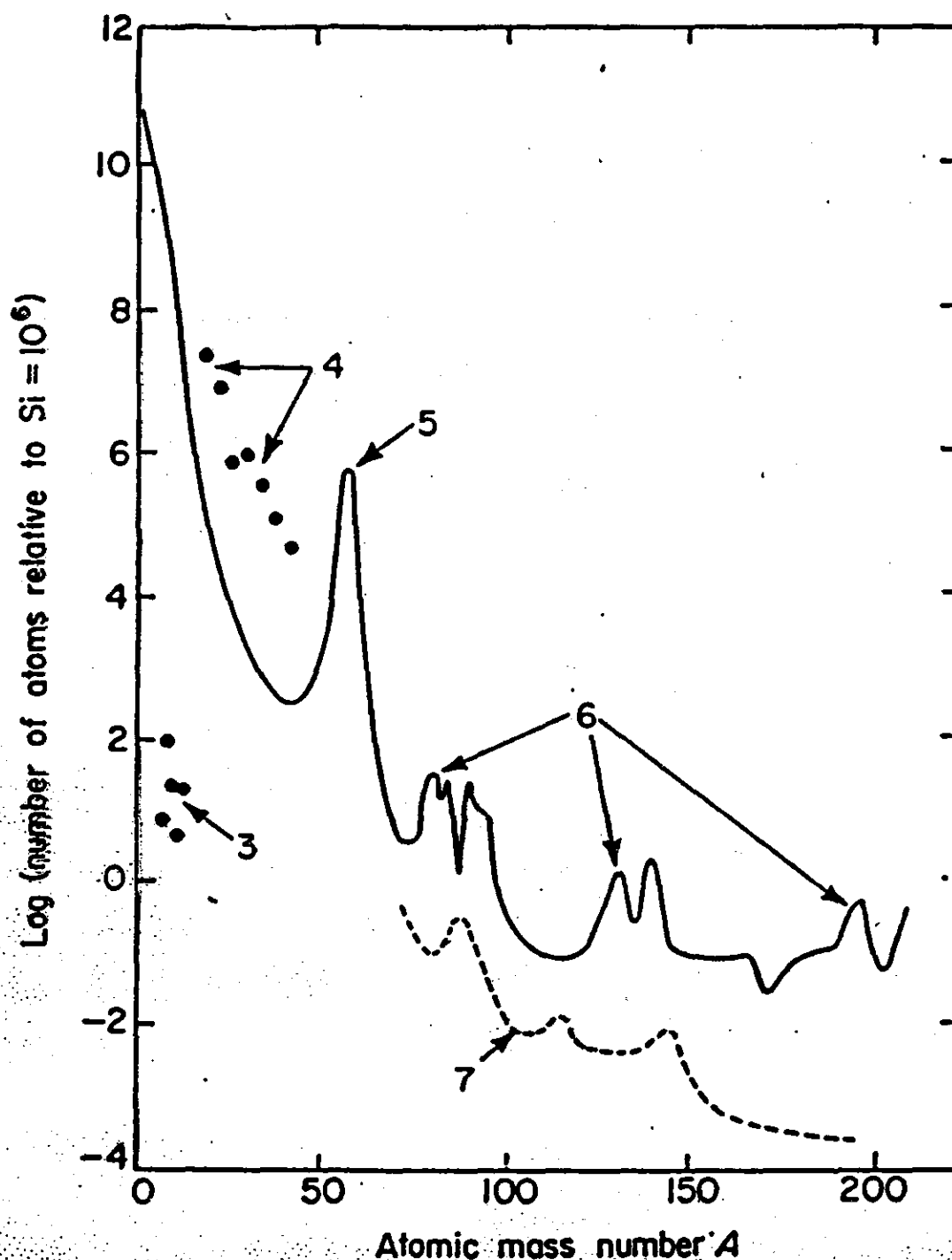


FIG. 1.1. Abundances of nuclides in the solar system as a function of atomic mass number A . Note the following features, explained in the text: (1) The approximately exponential decrease in abundances for $1 < A < 100$. (2) The approximately constant abundances for $100 < A < 208$. (3) The anomalously low abundances of D, Li, Be and B. (4) The anomalously high abundances of " α nuclides", ^{16}O , ^{24}Mg , ^{28}Si , ^{40}Ca , etc. (5) The abundance peak centred on ^{56}Fe . (6) The smaller abundance peaks at $A = 80, 90, 130, 138, 154$ and 208 . (7) The rarity of proton-rich nuclides (dotted curve). After Burbidge, Burbidge, Fowler and Hoyle (1957).

Stable and Radioactive Nuclides

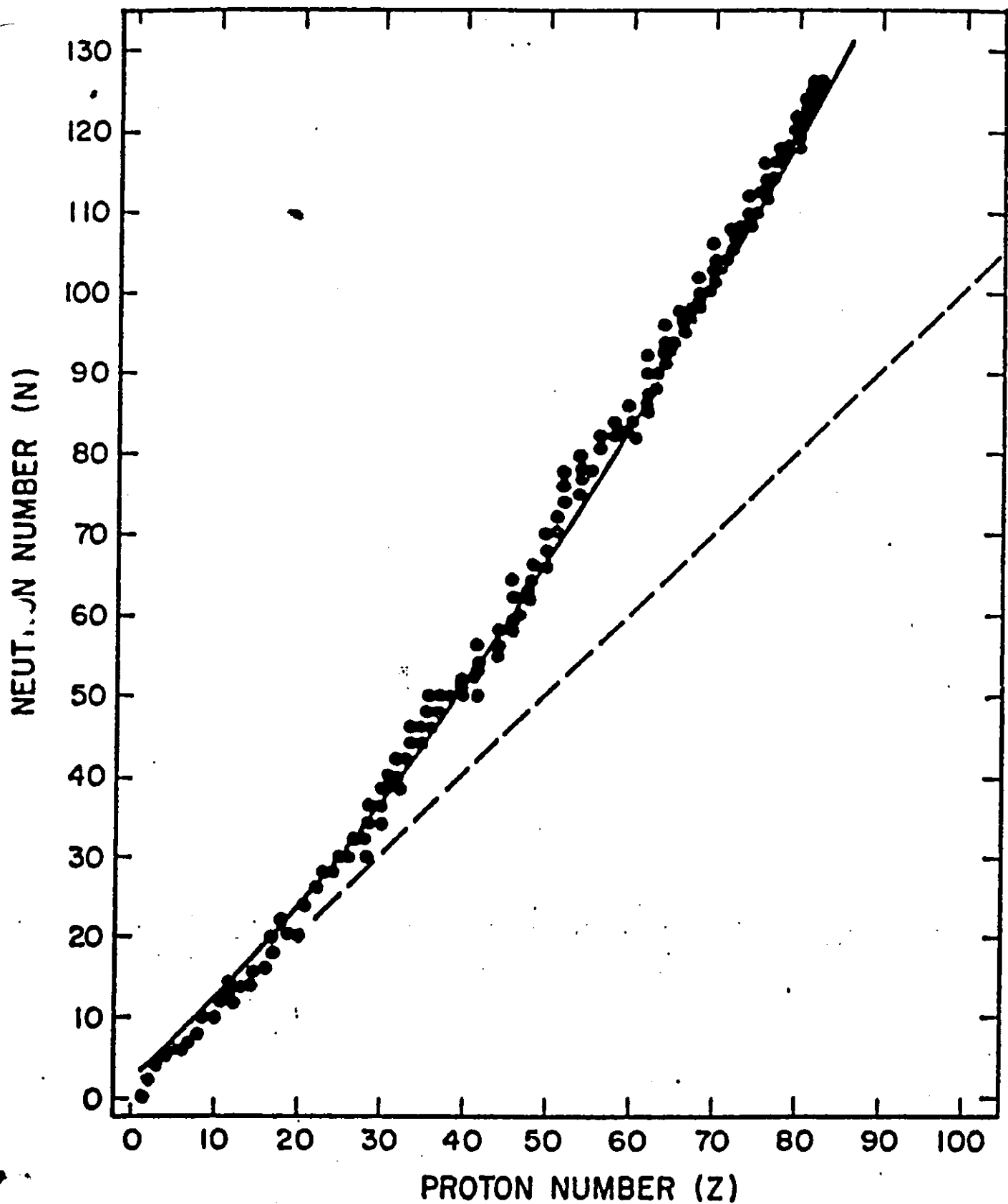


Figure 1.3 The N/Z ratio for the stable nuclides with isotopic abundance greater than 10%. The solid line is the