

Chlorophyta

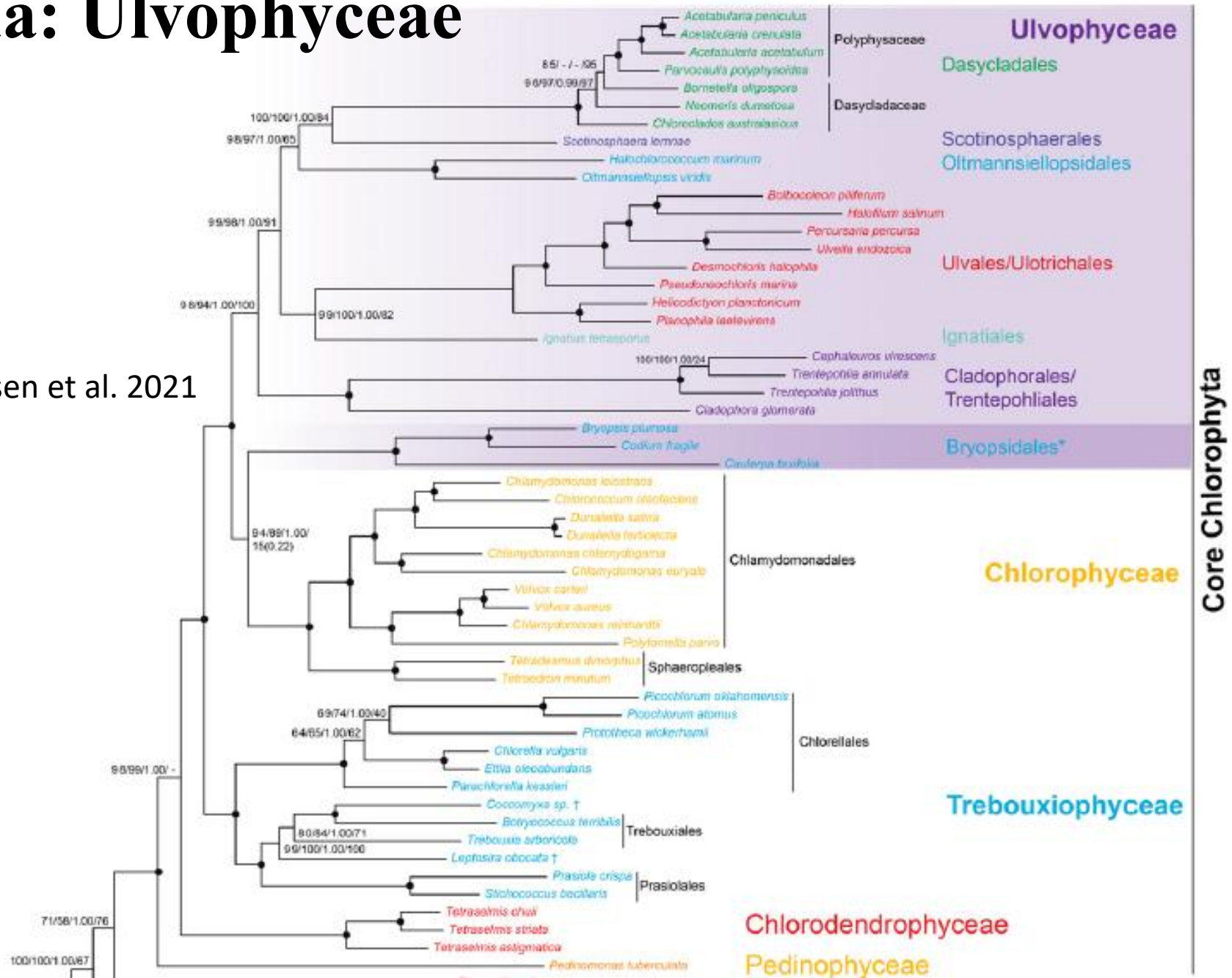
Ulvophyceae

Bryopsidales

Dasycladales

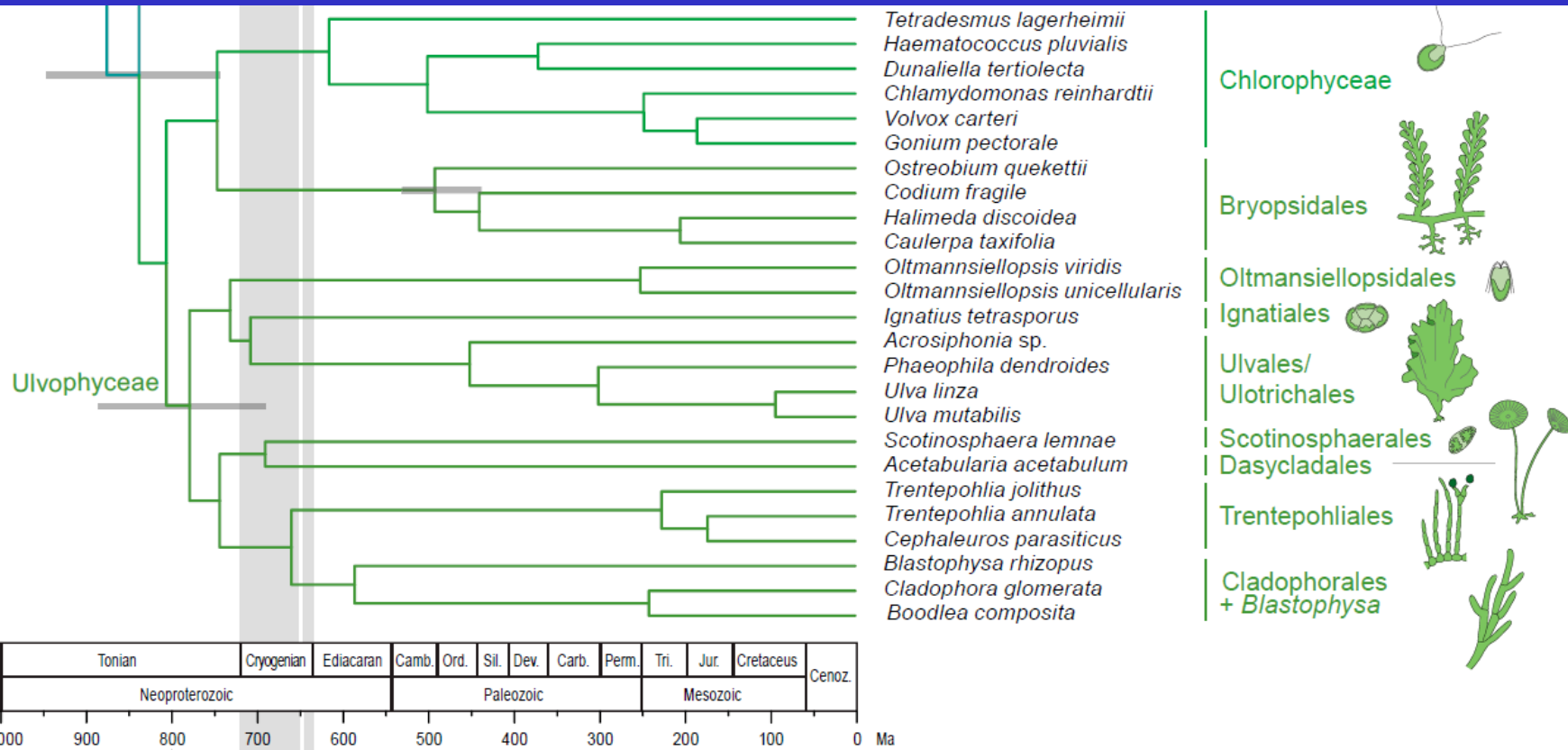
Třída: Ulvophyceae

Gulbrandsen et al. 2021



Core Chlorophyta

Phylogenetic position of Bryopsidales and Dasycladales



Del Cortona et al. 2020

Bryopsidales

Základní charakteristika:

- stélka vždy sifonální (uniaxiální nebo multiaxiální druhy)
- strukturní polysacharidy BS – mannany, xylany, glukany (celulóza není v krystalické formě)
- zoidi 2 nebo 4 bičíky, CCW orientace bičíkových bazí, u některých stefanokontní zoospory
- mitóza uzavřená, perzistující telofázové vřeténko, jádro v telofázi – činkovitý tvar; centrioly mohou, ale nemusí být přítomny
- akcesorické pigmenty sifonein, sifonoxantin
- četné chloroplasty v nástěnné vrstvě cytoplasmy (homoplastidické x heteroplastidické druhy)
- proudění cytoplasmy v podélné ose stélky
- haplontní životní cyklus (haploidní gametofyt, mikroskopická zygota s obrovským diploidním jádrem), anizogamie

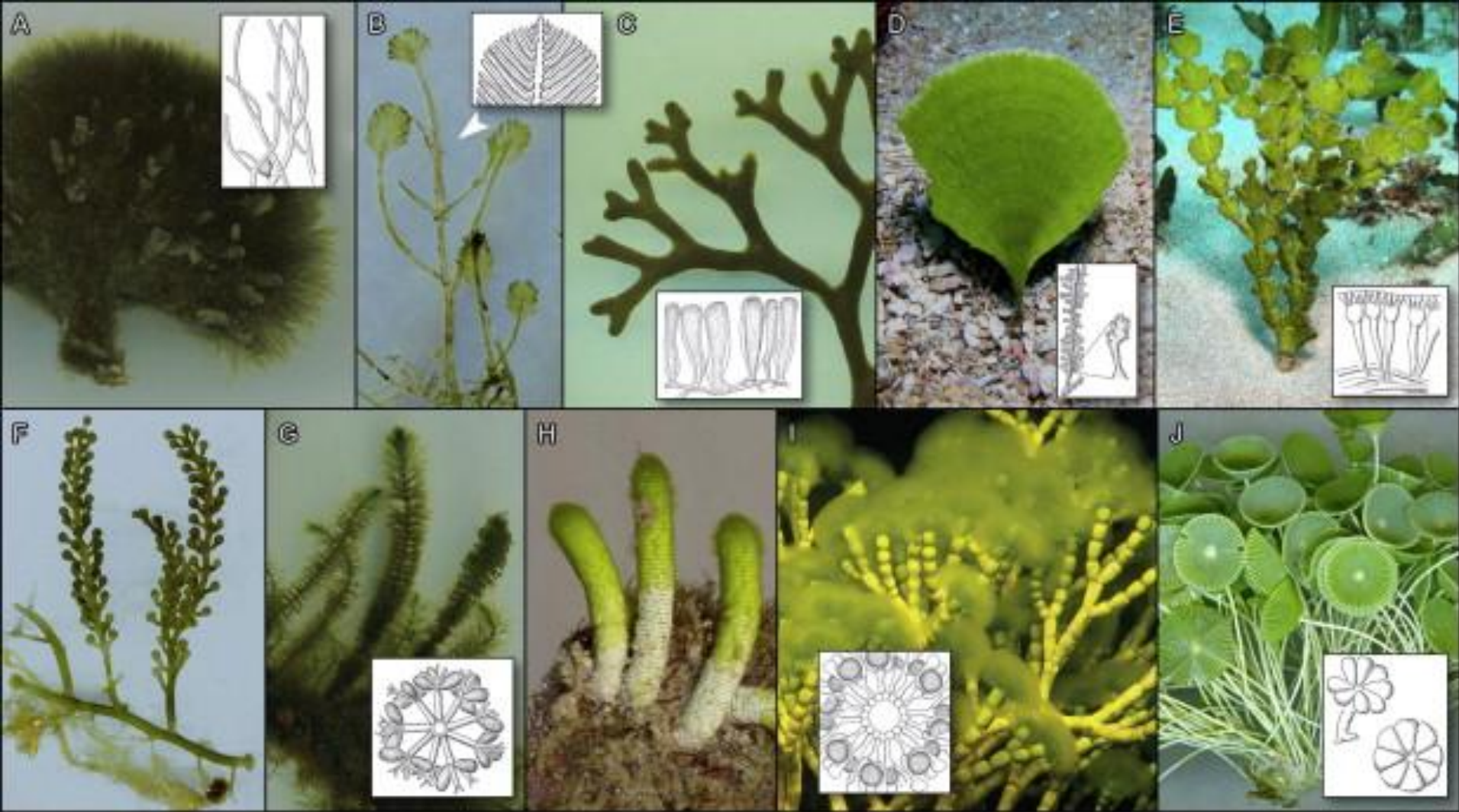


Fig. 1. Morphology and anatomy of the siphonous green algae comprising the orders Bryopsidales (A–F) and Dasycladales (G–J). (A) *Derbesia*, (B) *Bryopsis*, (C) *Codium*, (D) *Udotea*, (E) *Halimeda*, (F) *Caulerpa*, (G) *Batophora*, (H) *Neomeris*, (I) *Cymopolia*, (J) *Acetabularia*.

Verbruggen et al. 2009

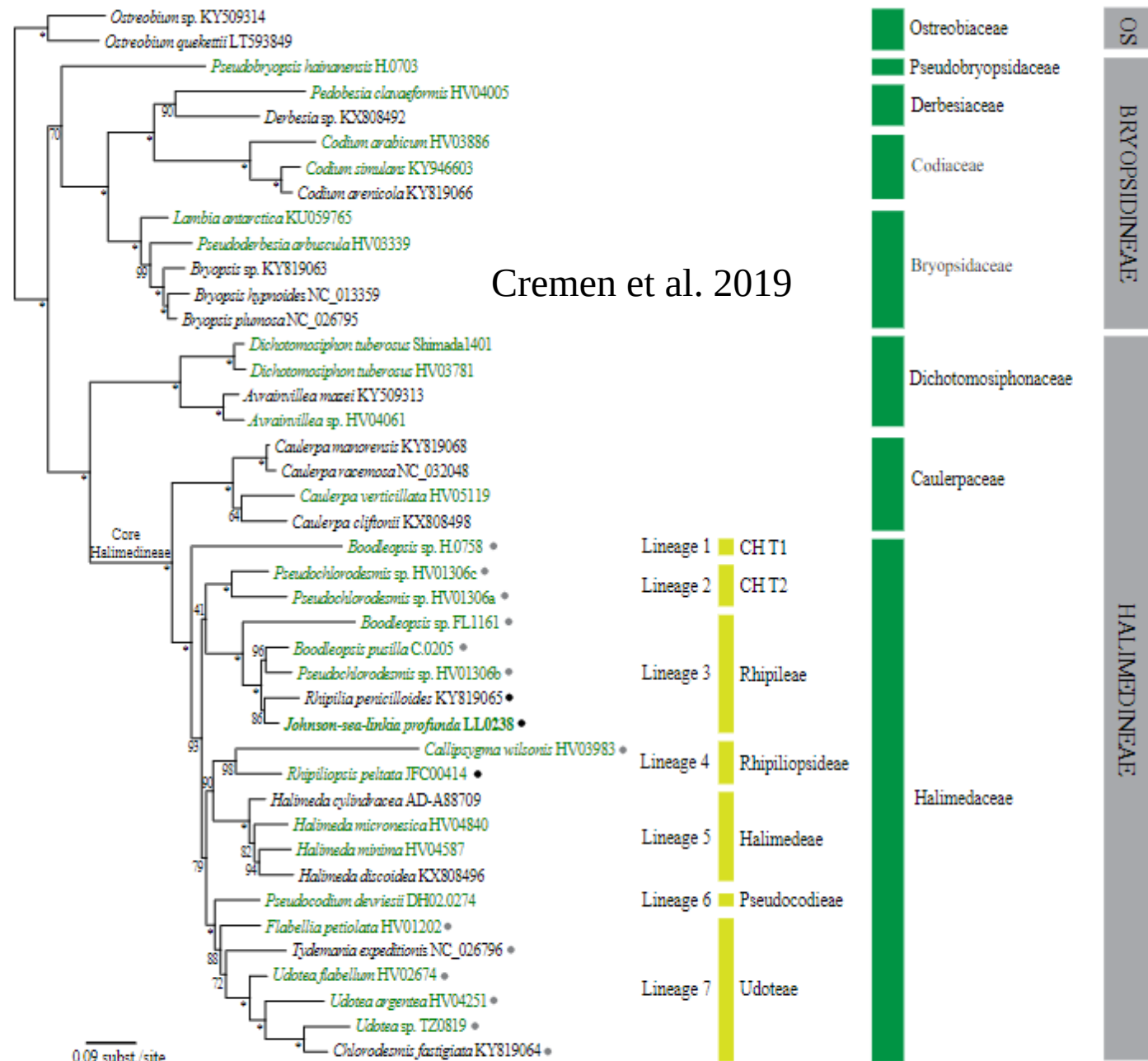
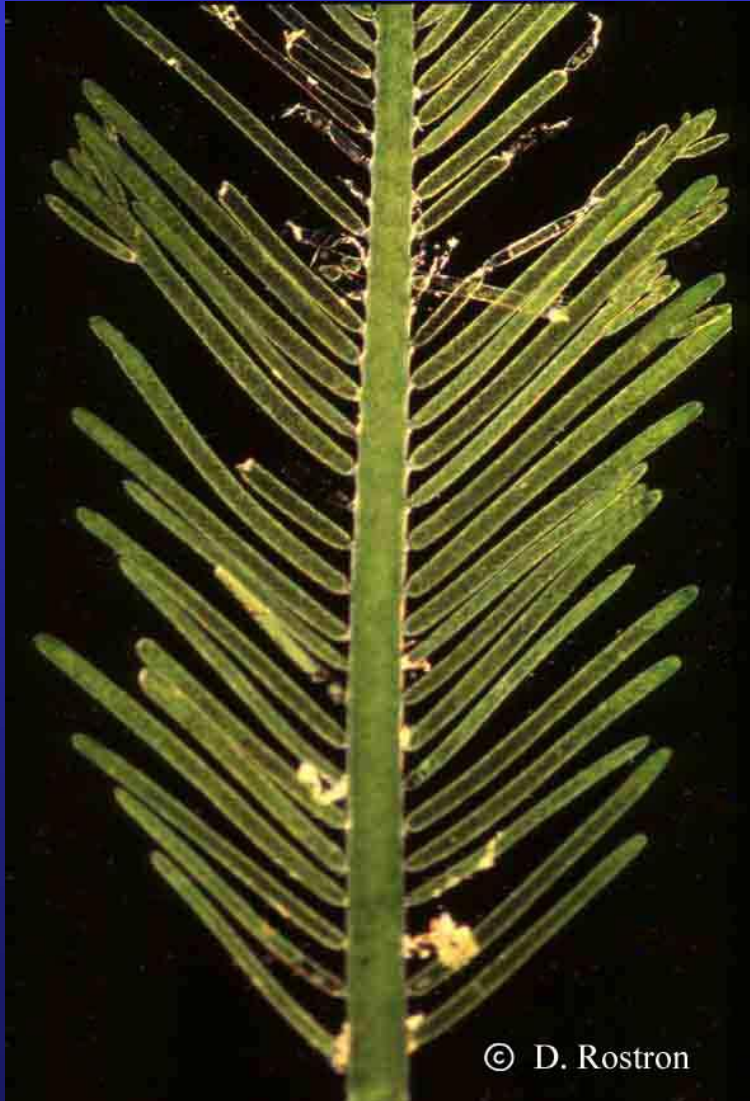


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Siphonous (coenocytic) thallus

uniaxial



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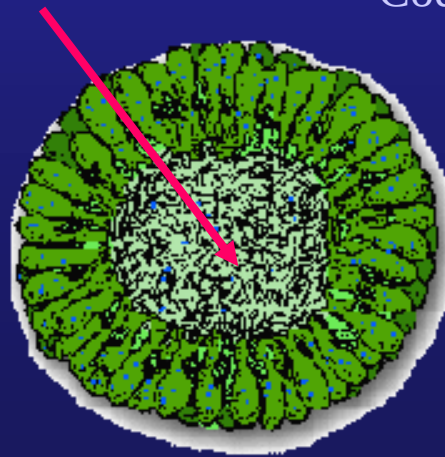
Bryopsis

multiaxial organisation



Codium

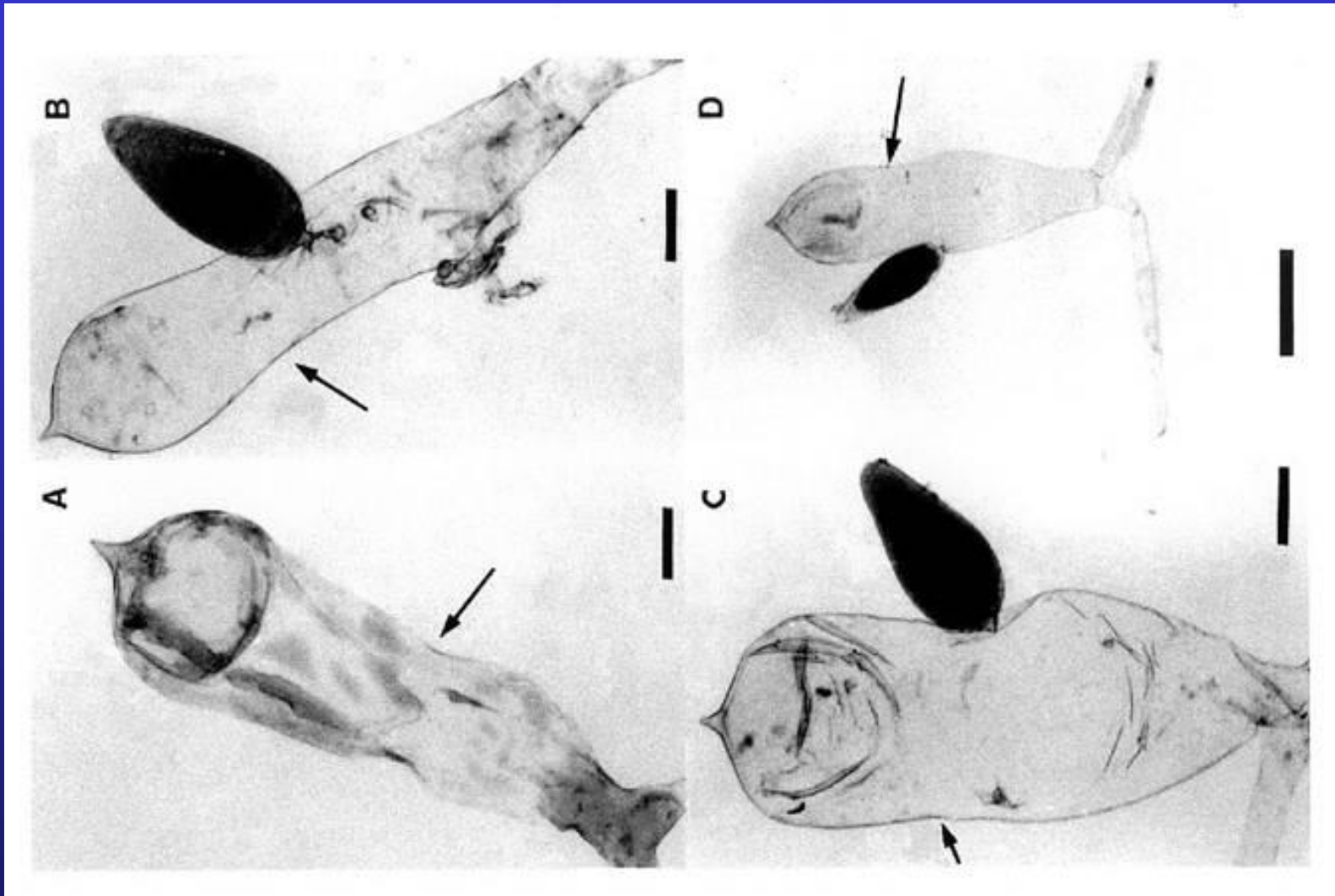
medulla



utriculus



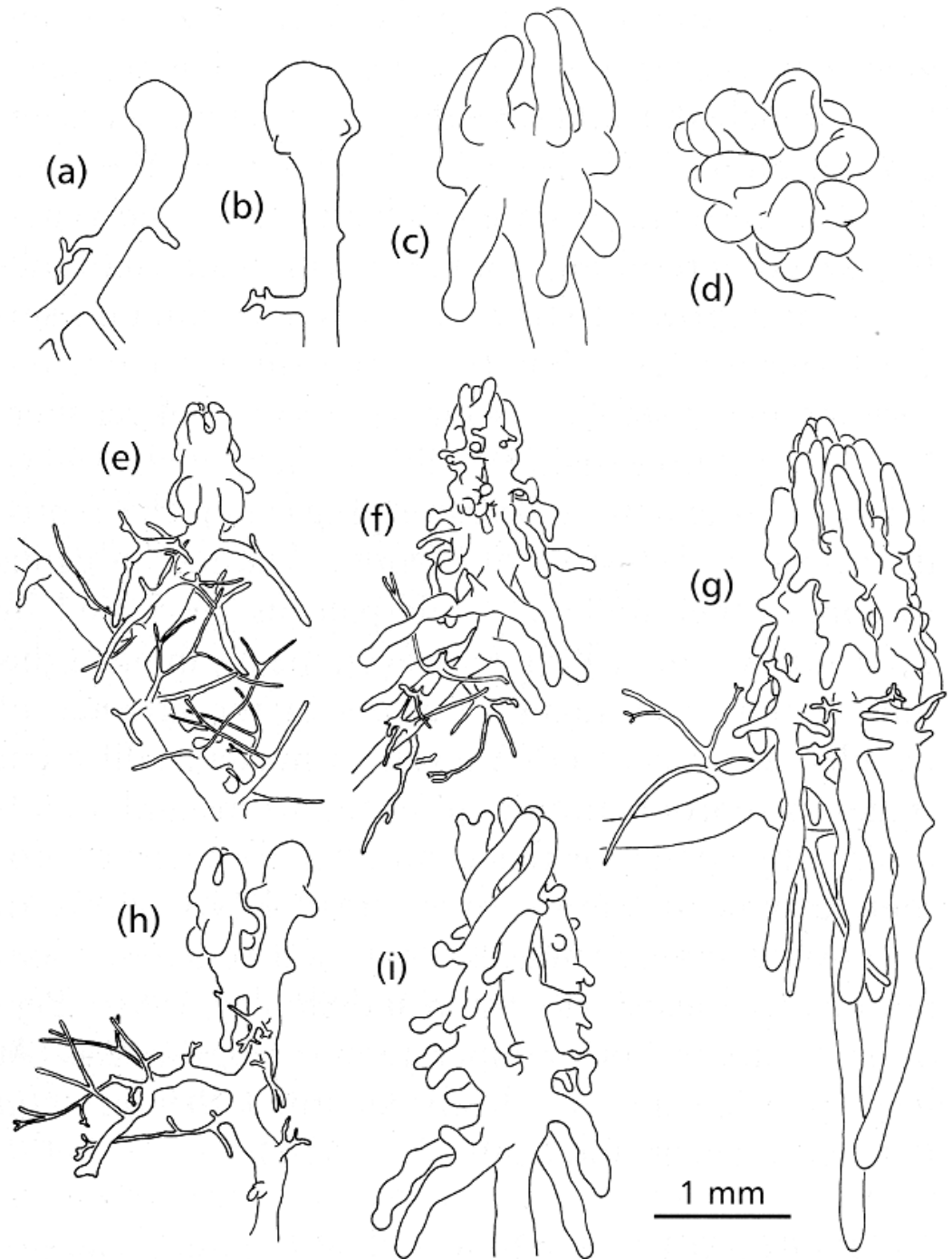
Siphonous (coenocytic) thallus



Codium – utriculus bearing gametangium

Siphonous (coenocytic) thallus

multiaxial thallus
formation in *Penicillus*

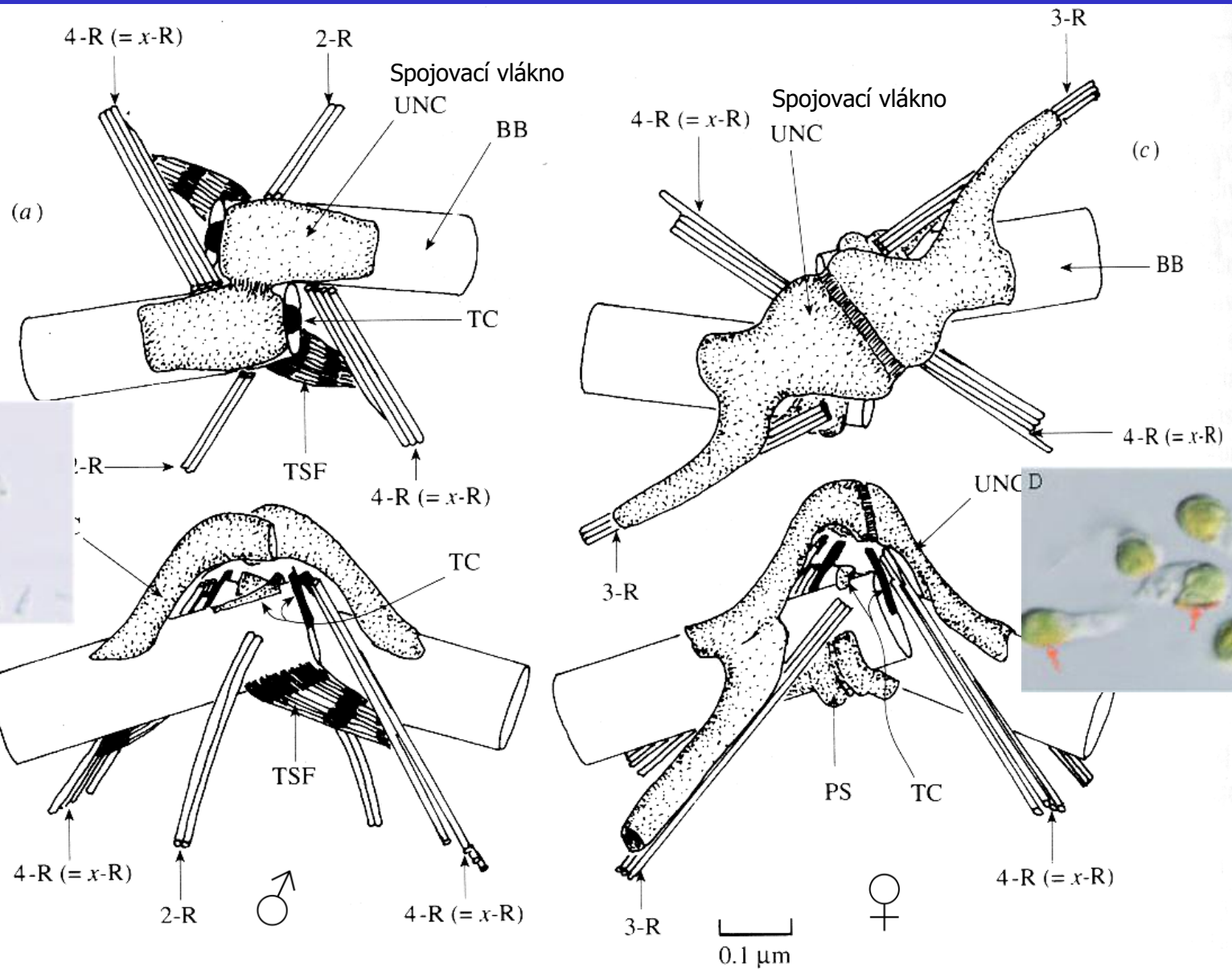




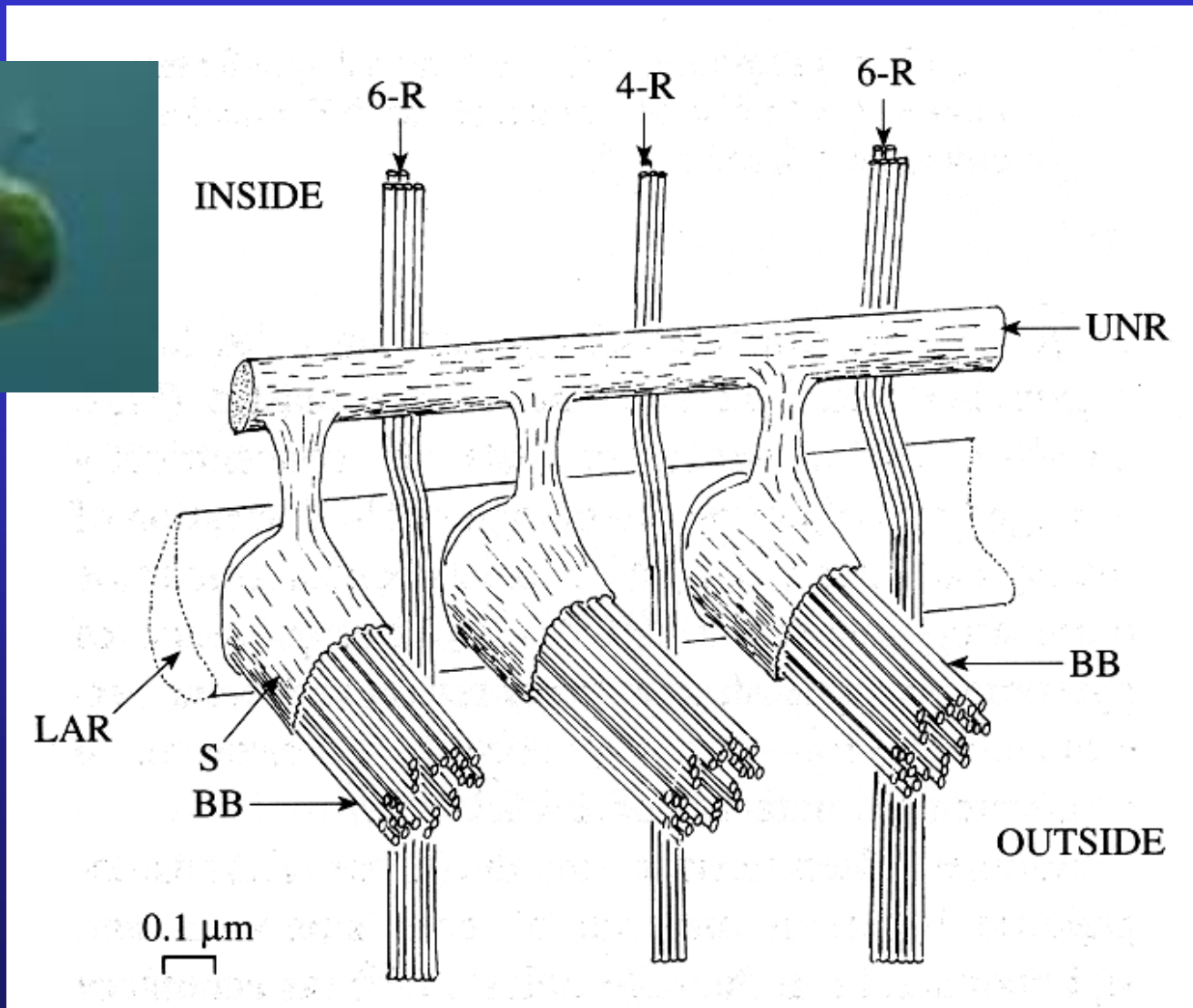
Pseudobryopsis

Flagellar apparatus

Ultrastruktura bičíkového aparátu se u ♂ a ♀ gamet *Pseudobryopsis*



Flagellar apparatus of the stephanokont zoospore

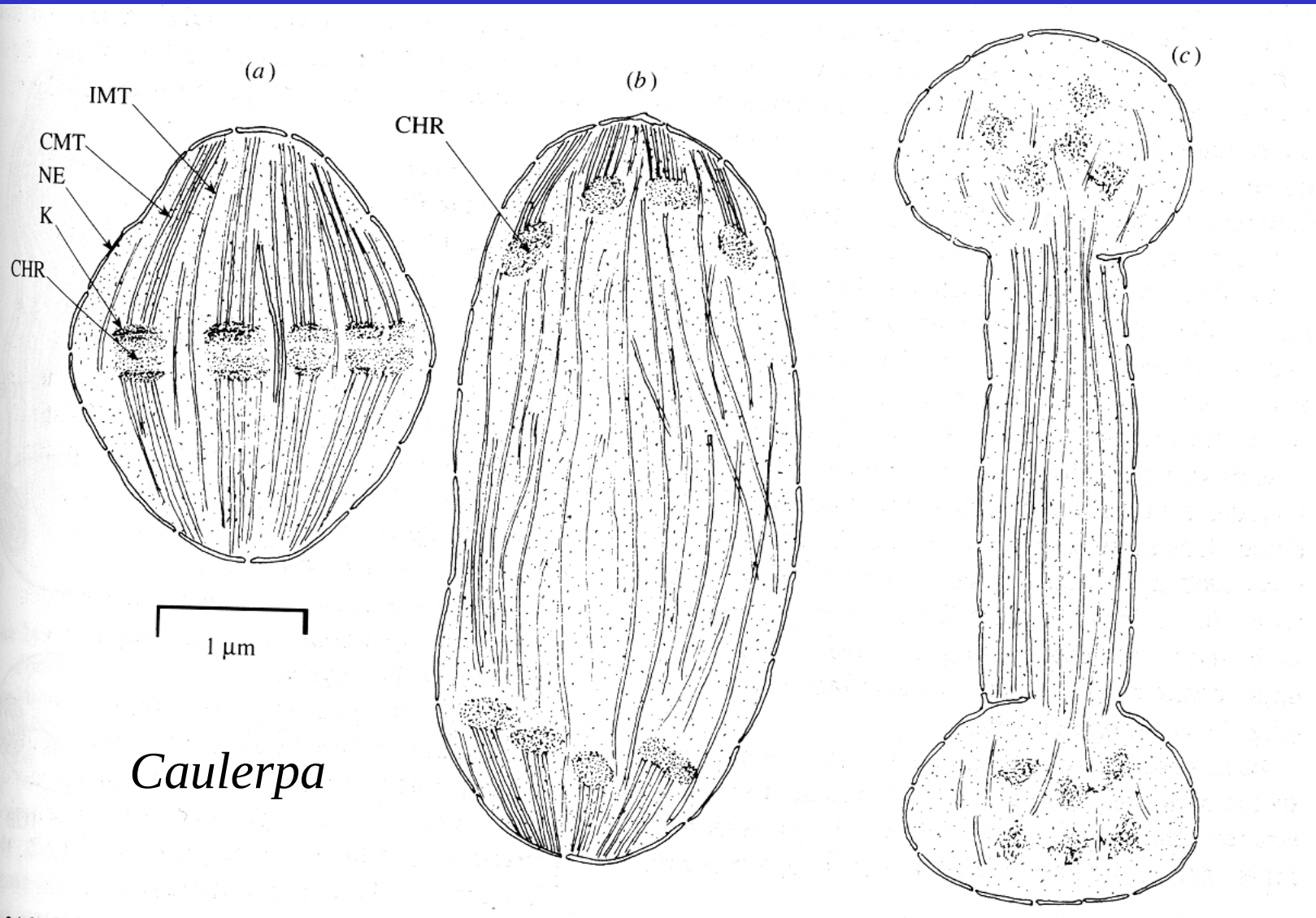


upper non-striated ring

lower amorphous ring

Pseudobryopsis – each stephanokont cell possesses 35 basal bodies

Mitosis

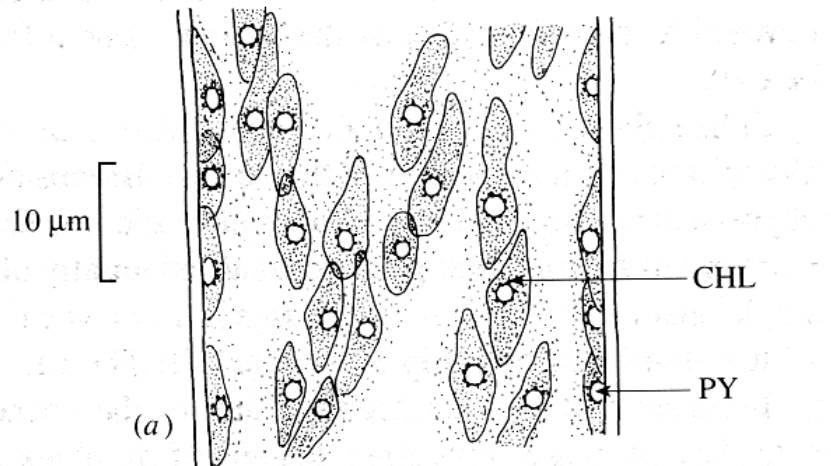


dumbbell-shaped giant nukleus in telophase

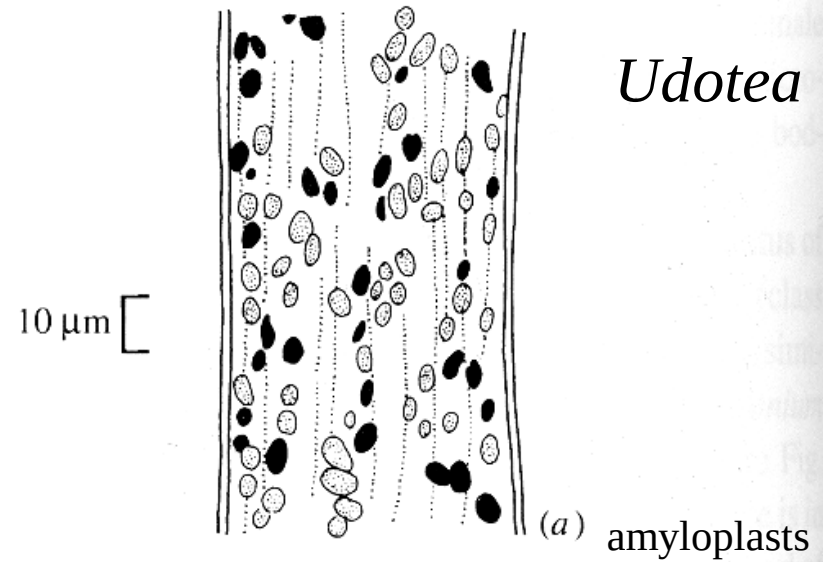
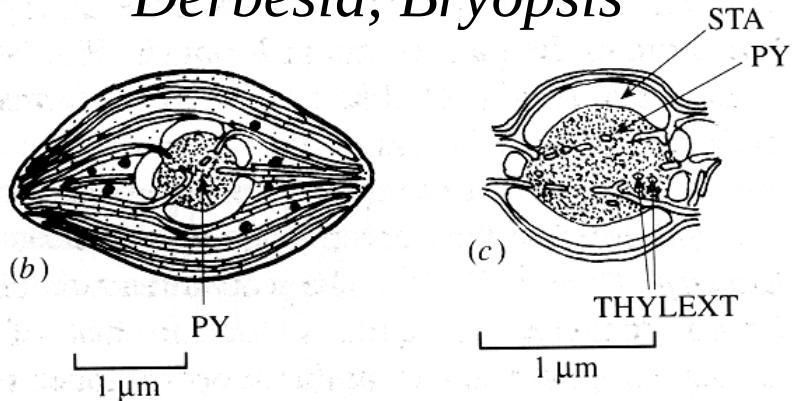
Chloroplasts

heteroplastidic species

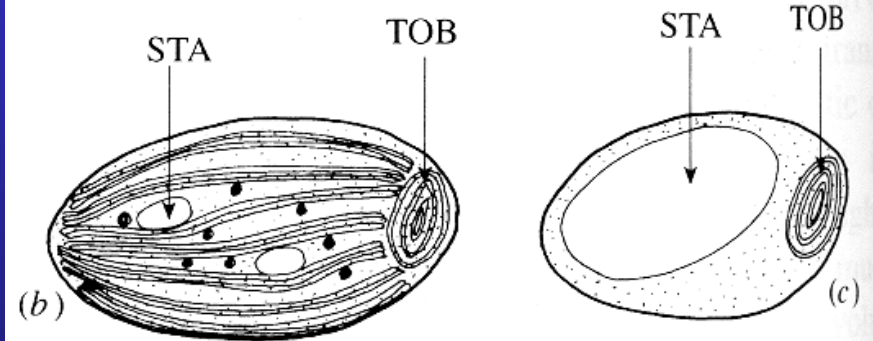
homoplastidic species



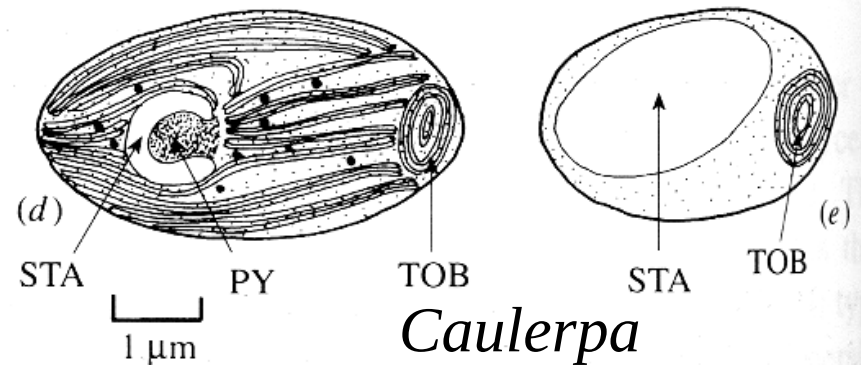
Derbesia, Bryopsis



Udotea

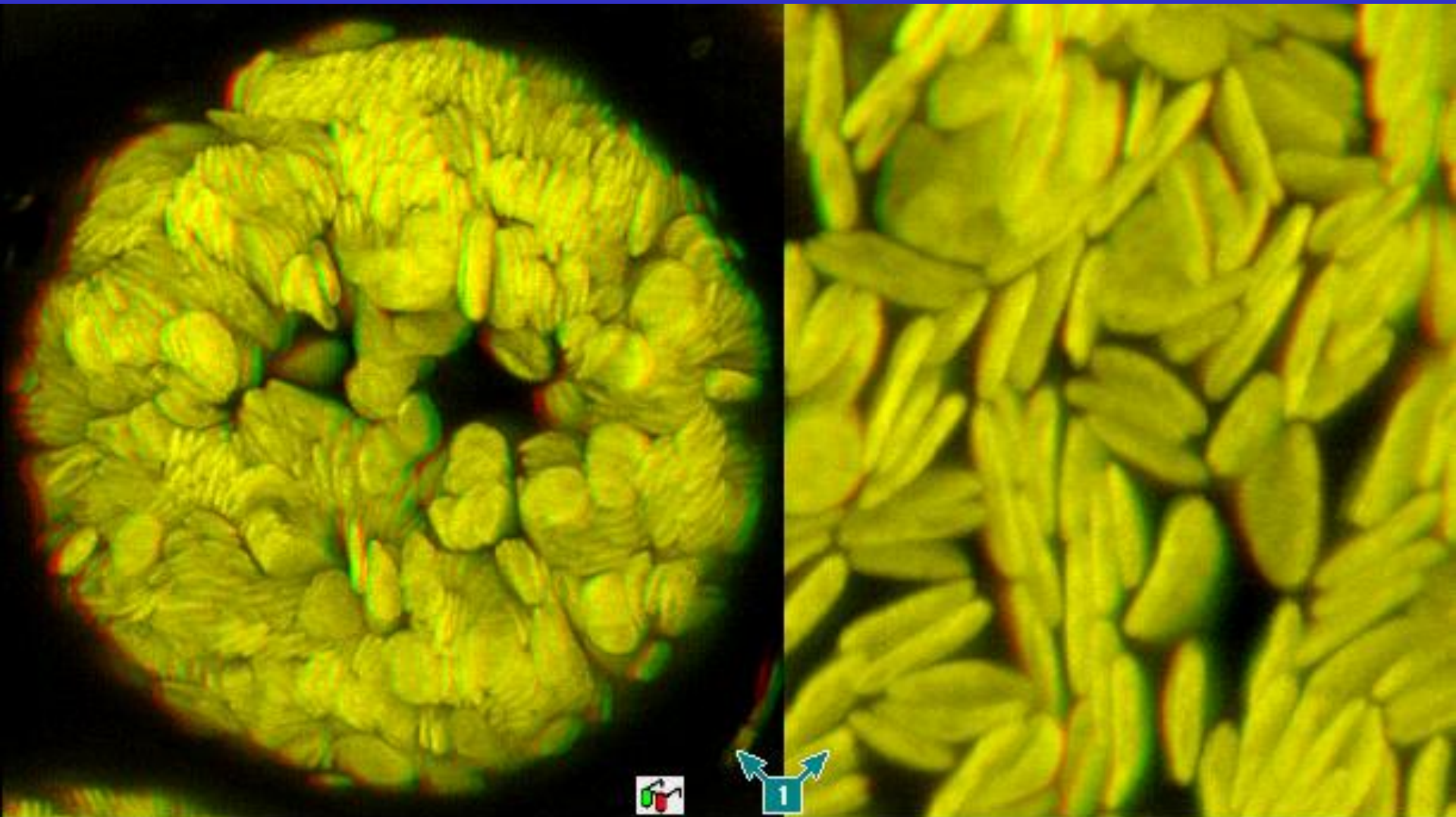


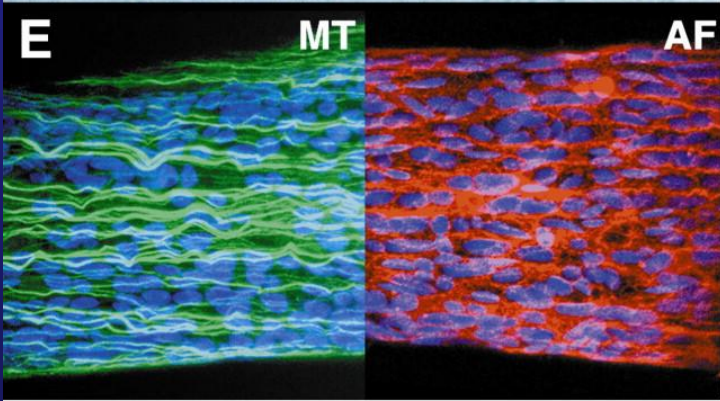
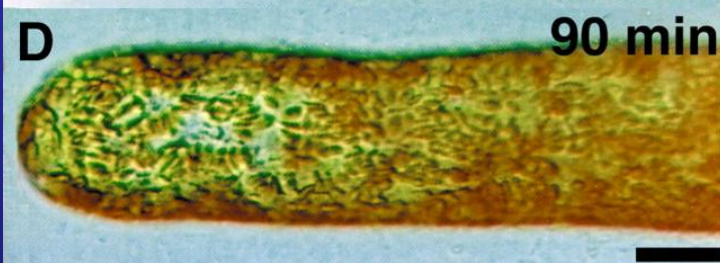
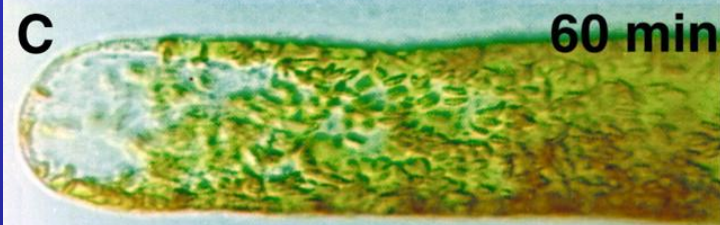
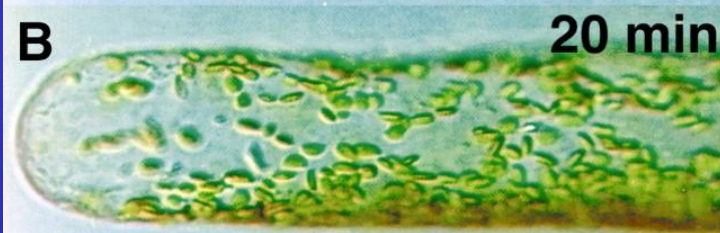
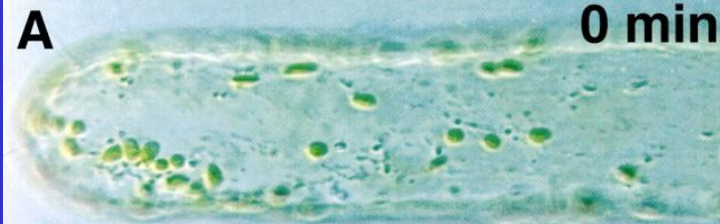
Udotea



Caulerpa

Chloroplasts of *Codium* homoplastidic species, chloroplasts without pyrenoid





60 $\mu\text{m}/\text{sec}$

dim blue light

**Accumulation of
chloroplasts in the cell apex
of the coenocytic green alga**

Dichotomosiphon

MT – microtubules

AF – actin filaments

Calcification



Some multi-axial species precipitate calcium carbonate on the surface of siphons or in interutricular spaces (*Halimeda*) in the form of aragonite crystals



bicarbonate

calcium
carbonate

carbon dioxide

Adhesion to substrate



Penicillus capitatus



Halimeda

Rhipocephalus

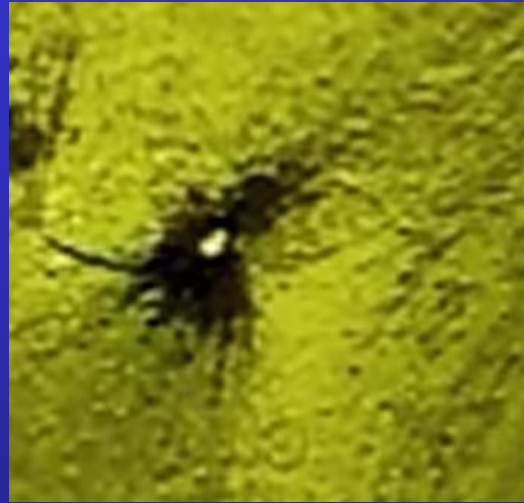
Penicillus

bulbouse base - bulbous mass of rhizoids
adhering sand, anchor the adult plant in the
sediment



shallows seagrass meadows (*Penicillus*, *Halimeda*)

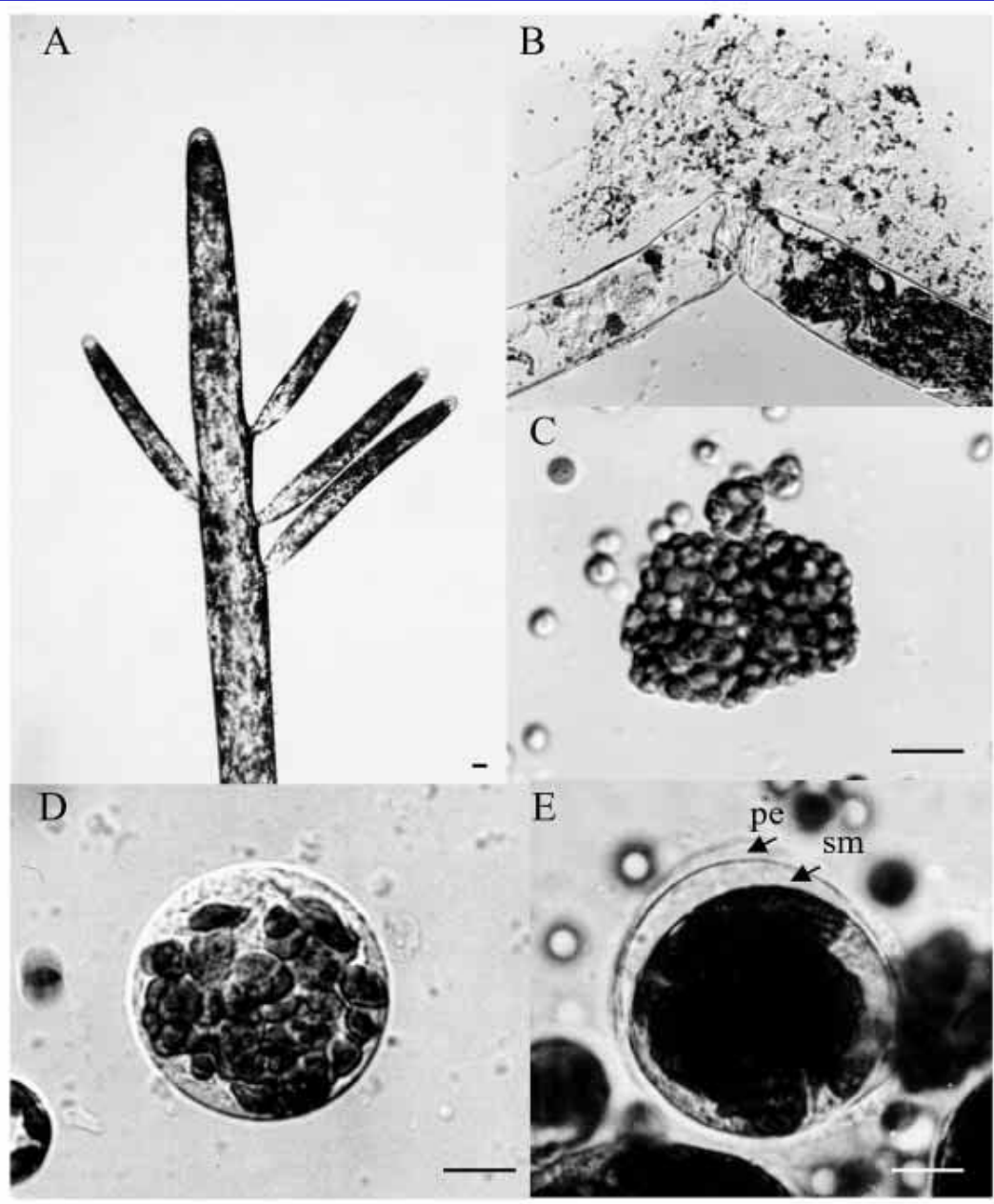
predation - extensive perforation of CW, efficient repair mechanisms



Derbesia

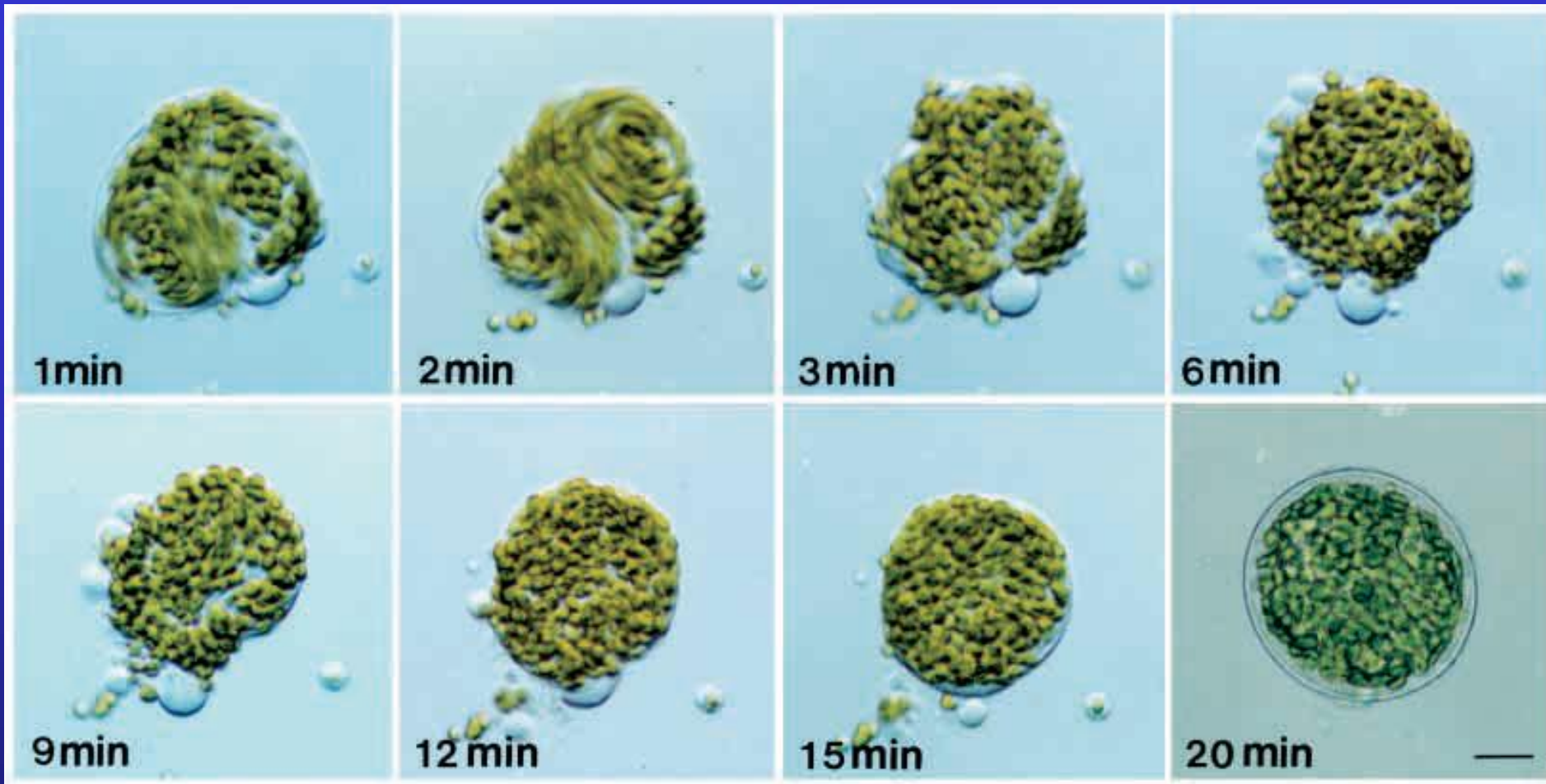


Sub-protoplast regeneration from disintegrated cells of *Bryopsis plumosa*



(A) Vegetative plant with distichous branches. (B) Protoplasm comes out from the wounded cell and spreads in seawater. (C) Aggregation of the extruded cell organelles in seawater. (D) Regenerated sub-protoplast with a **primary envelope** 20 minutes after wounding. (E) The secondary **lipid-based membrane** inside the primary envelope 12 hours after wounding

Kim et al. 2001

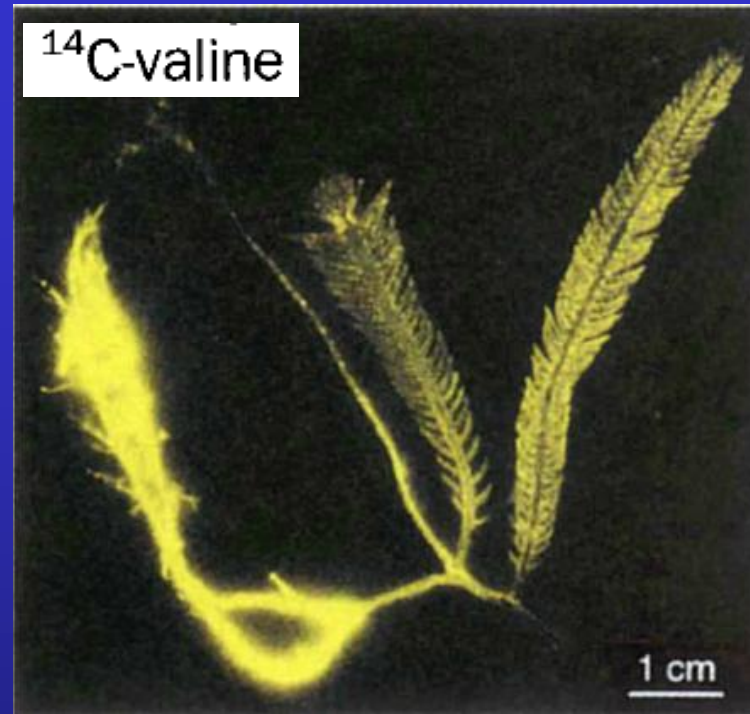


Time-lapse photography of early sub-protoplast regeneration. Bar, 10 μ m.

„Roots“ in mixotrophic algae *C. taxifolia*



Chisholm et al. 1996
Nature



Rhodopseudomonas – *nifH* gene

„root system“ containing endocellular bacteria – up take of inorganic phosphorus, C, organic N from substrata – translocation of nutrient to photoassimilatory organs (fronds)

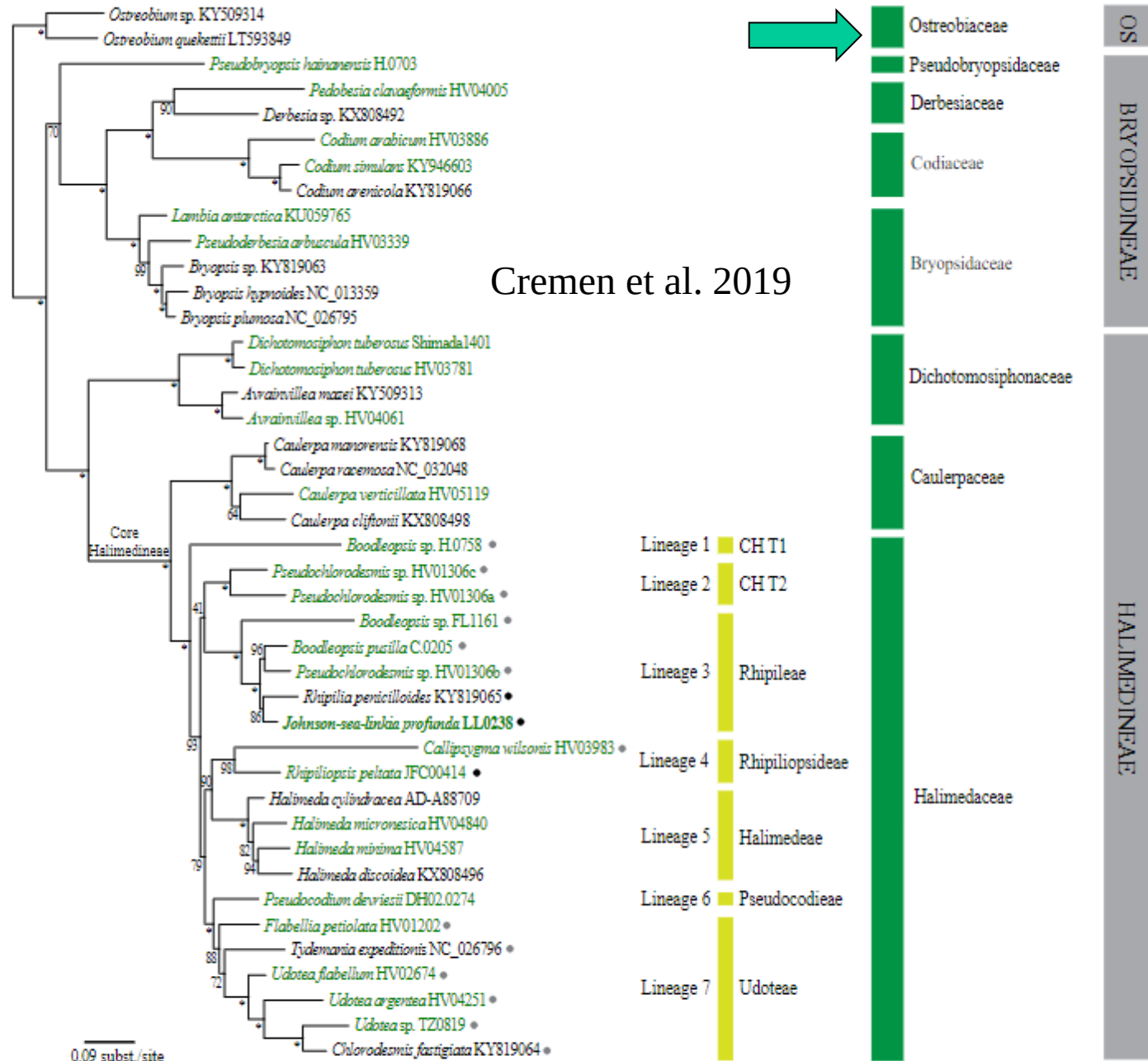
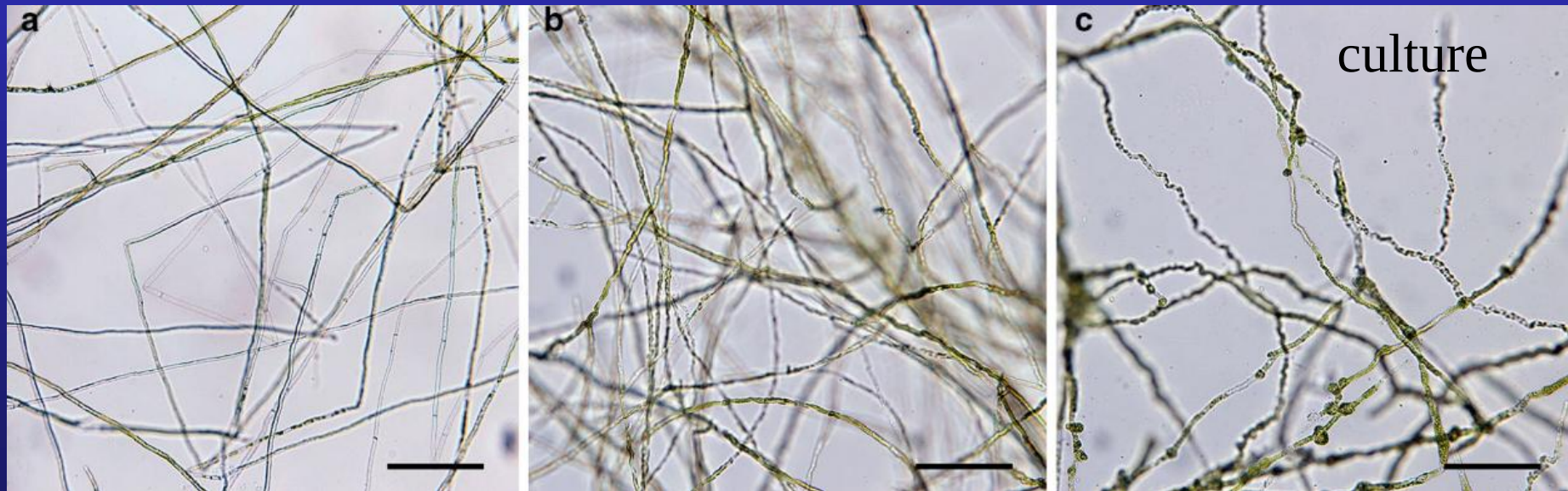


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Ostreobium

Sauvage et al. 2016



live in low-light conditions on calcium carbonate substrata in tropical conditions, coral symbiont exchanges nitrogen and carbon

linage - Bryopsidineae

- homoplastidic thalli
- thylakoid organizing body absent from chloroplasts
- production of zoids is non-holocarpic (gametangia and sporangia are formed within special zones of the thallus; whole thallus is not destroyed)
- many members (though not all) produce stephanokont zoids
- main cell wall polysaccharide is mannan, xylan, cellulose



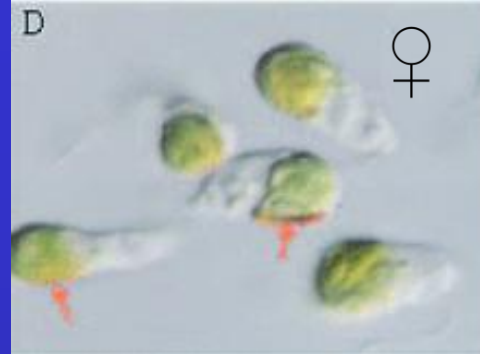
Codium



Bryopsis



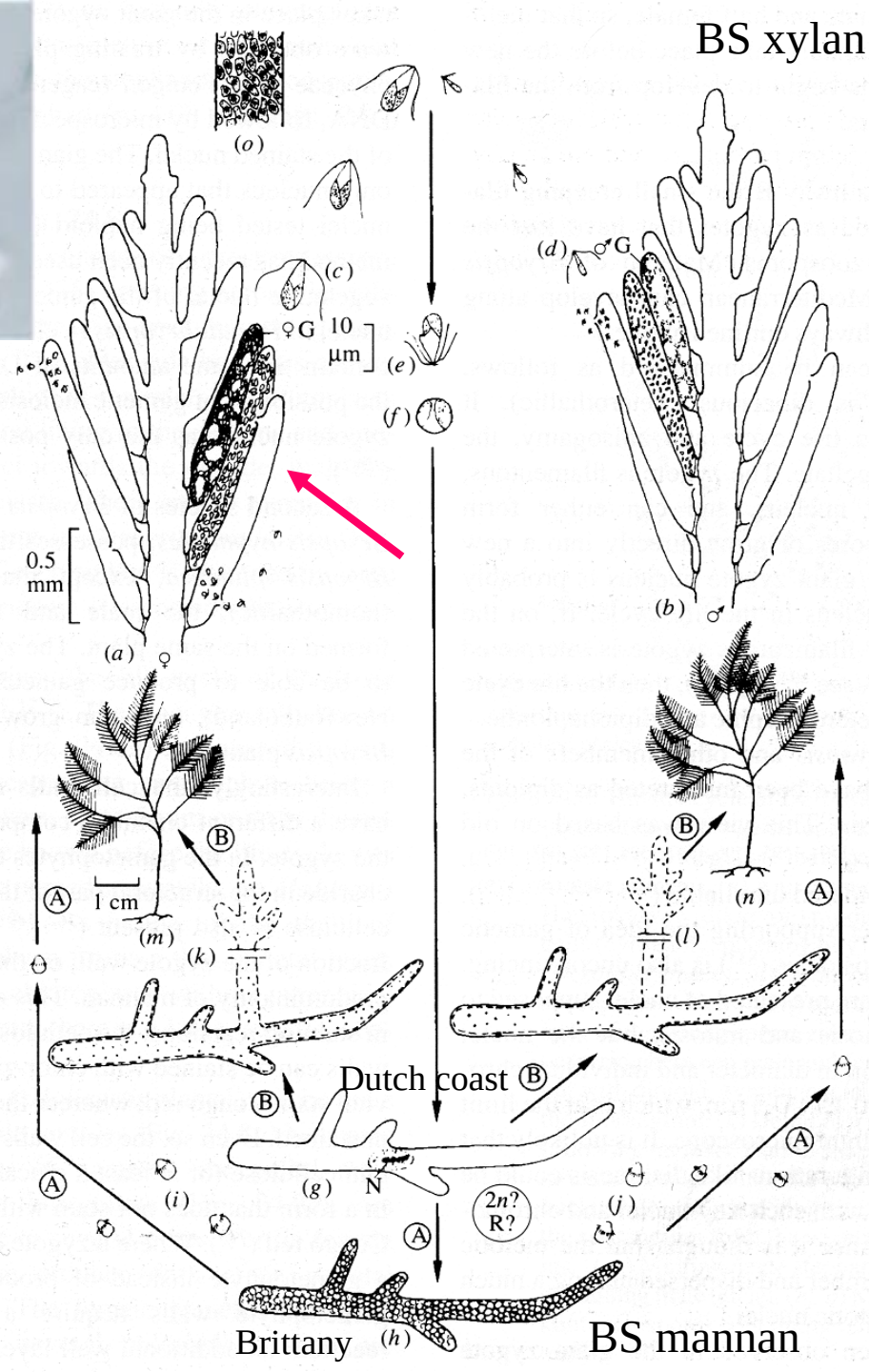
Derbesia



Maternal inheritance of chloroplast DNA



Bryopsis plumosa (10-15 cm)



Light and electron micrographs of sporophytes of *Bryopsis plumosa*.

Minamikawa, et
al.2005

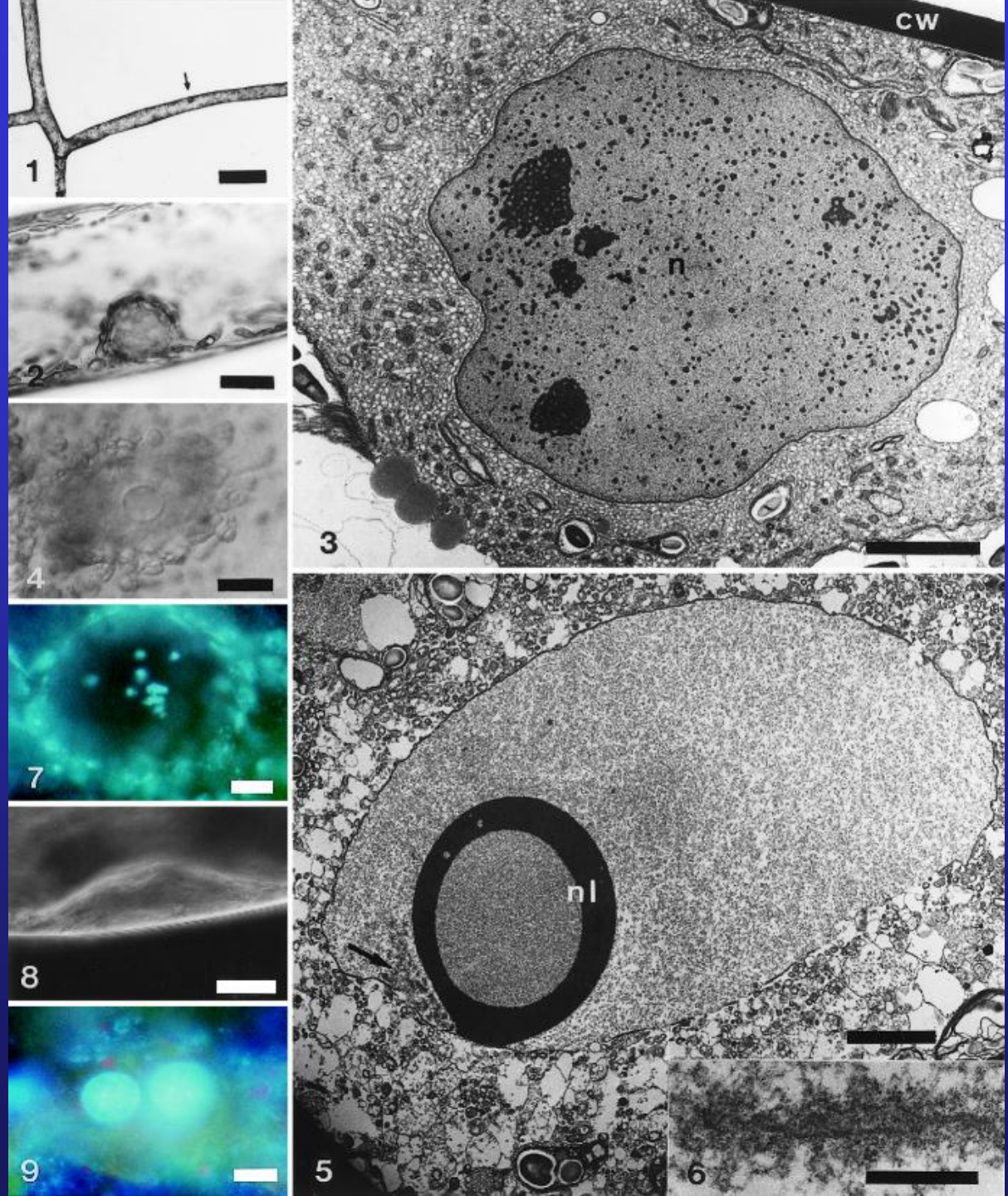
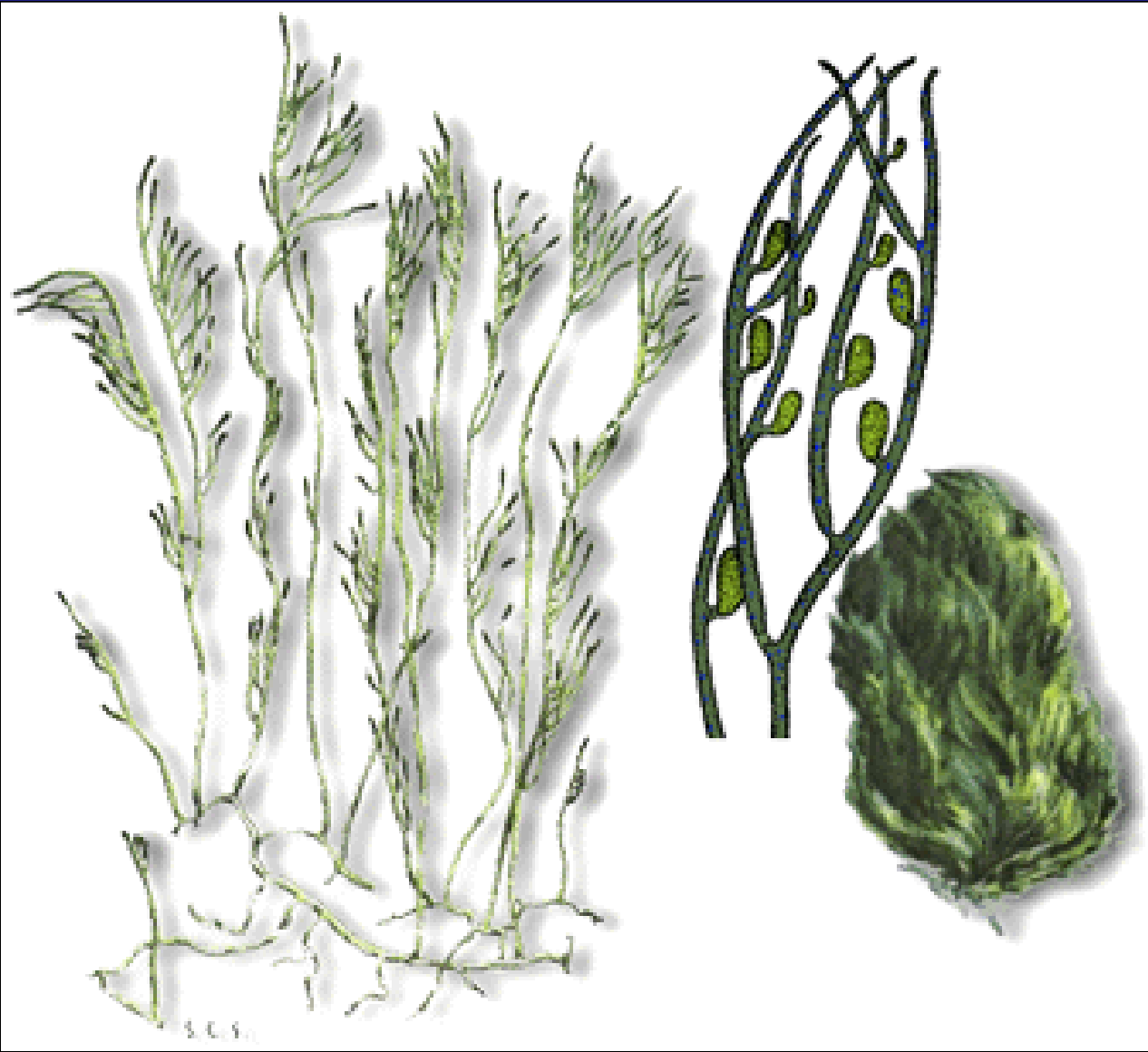


Fig. 1 . 1 a sporophyte, containing a giant nucleus (arrow). 2 Giant nucleus, about 25 μm in diameter. 3 Electron micrograph of a giant nucleus. 4 Giant nucleus containing a ring-shaped nucleolus. 5 Electron micrograph of 7 Giant nucleus containing chromosomes (Hoechst staining). 8 Dumbbell-shaped giant nucleus. 9 Two small nuclei.

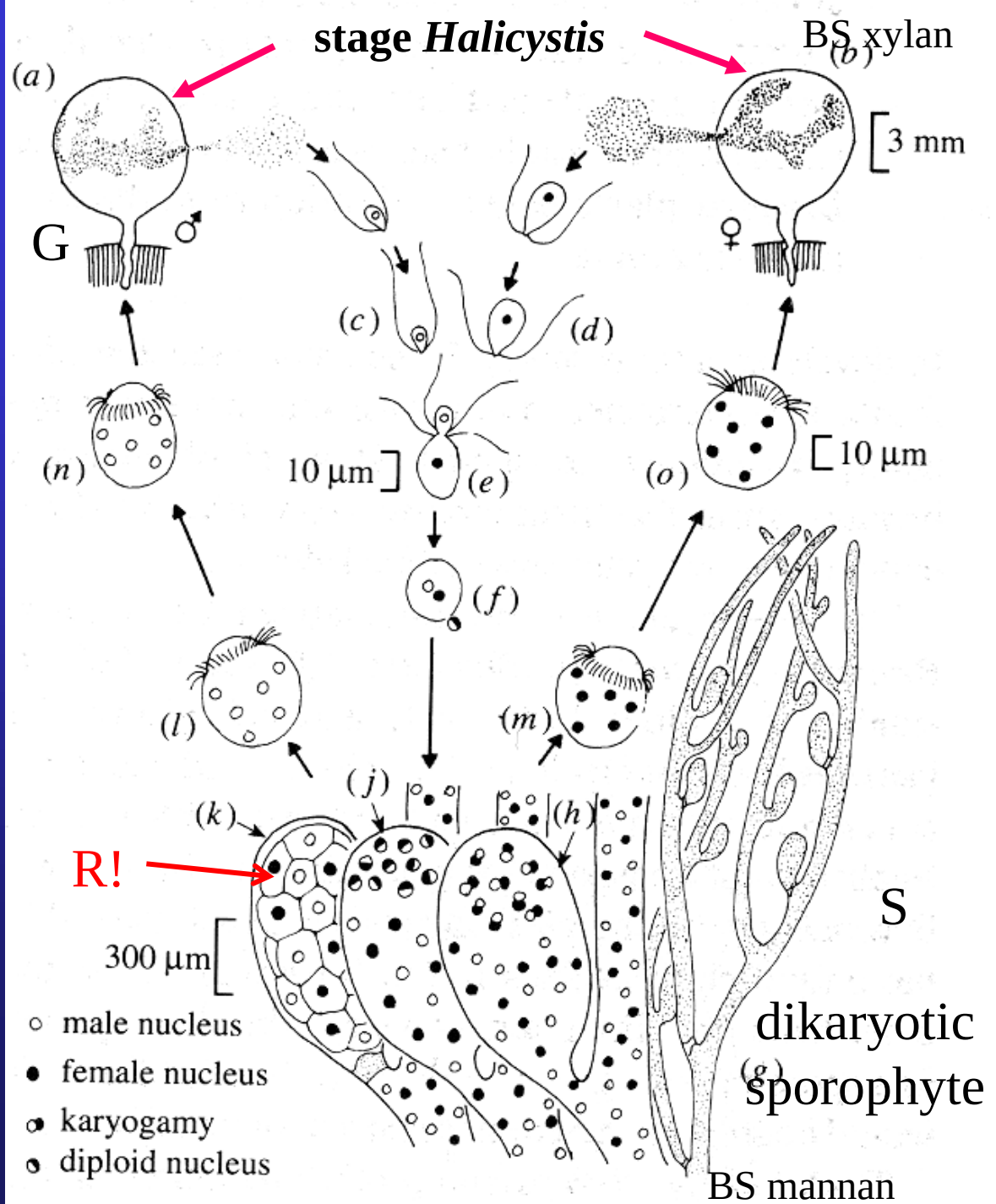
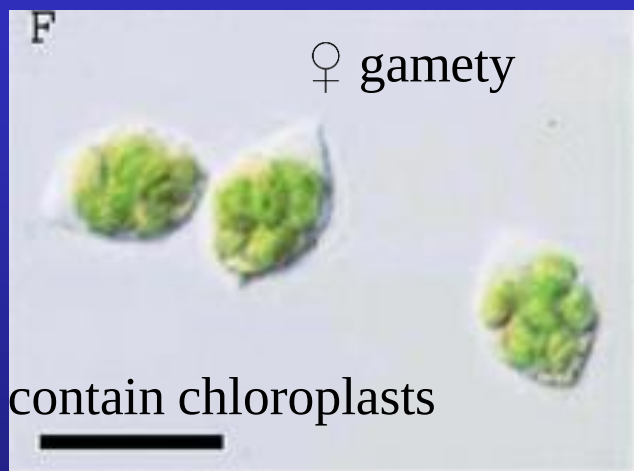
uniaxiální rozvětvená stélka (1-10 cm). Chloroplasty bez pyrenoidů (kromě *Derbesia tenuissima*)

Derbesia

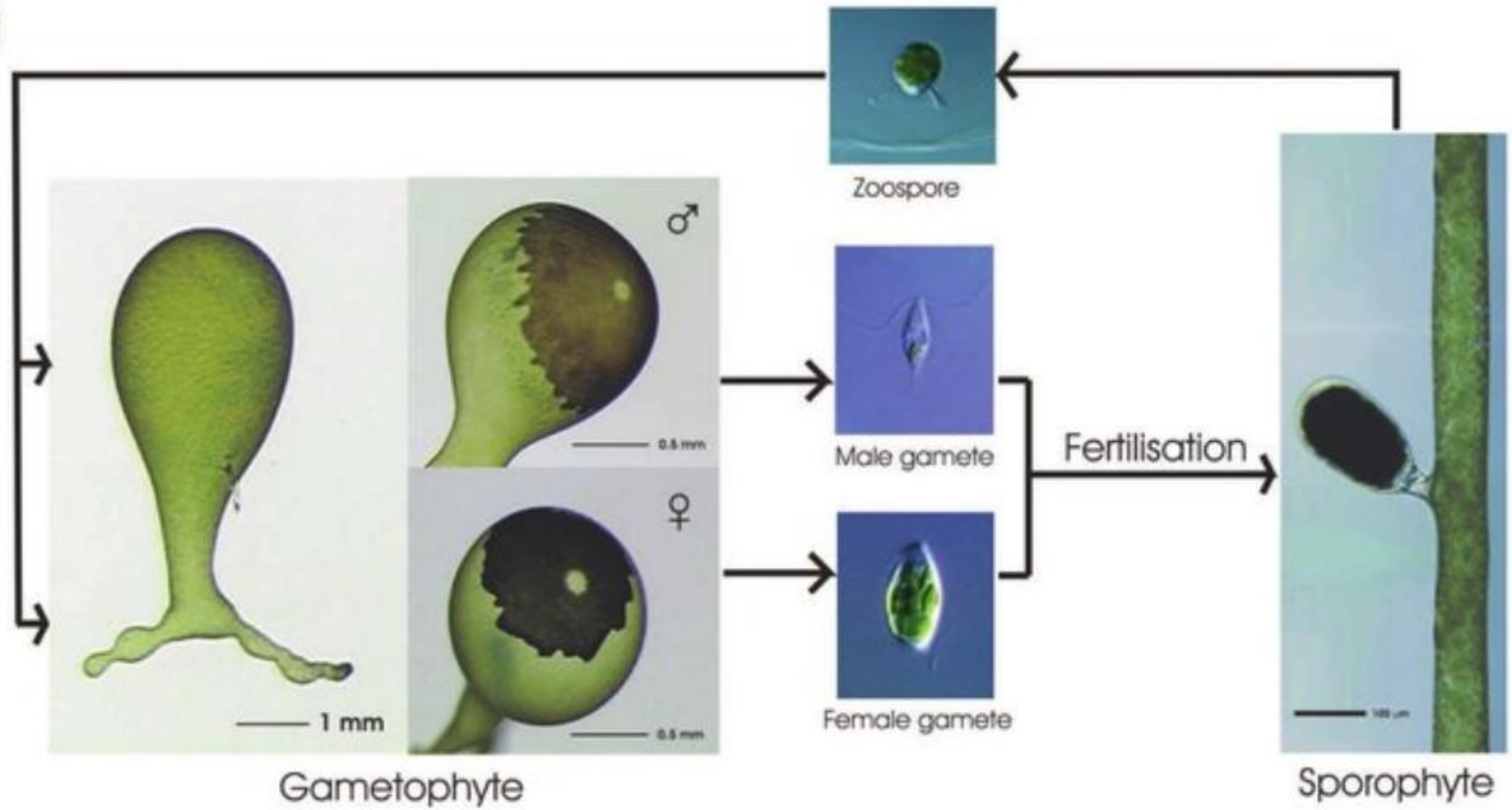
uniaxial thallus



stage
Halicystis(=gametophyte)



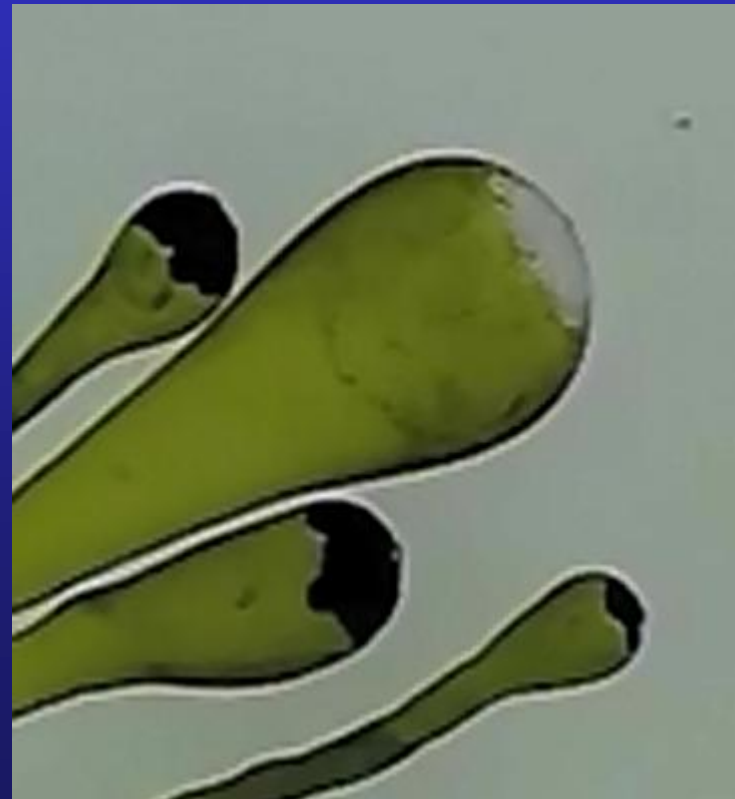
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video

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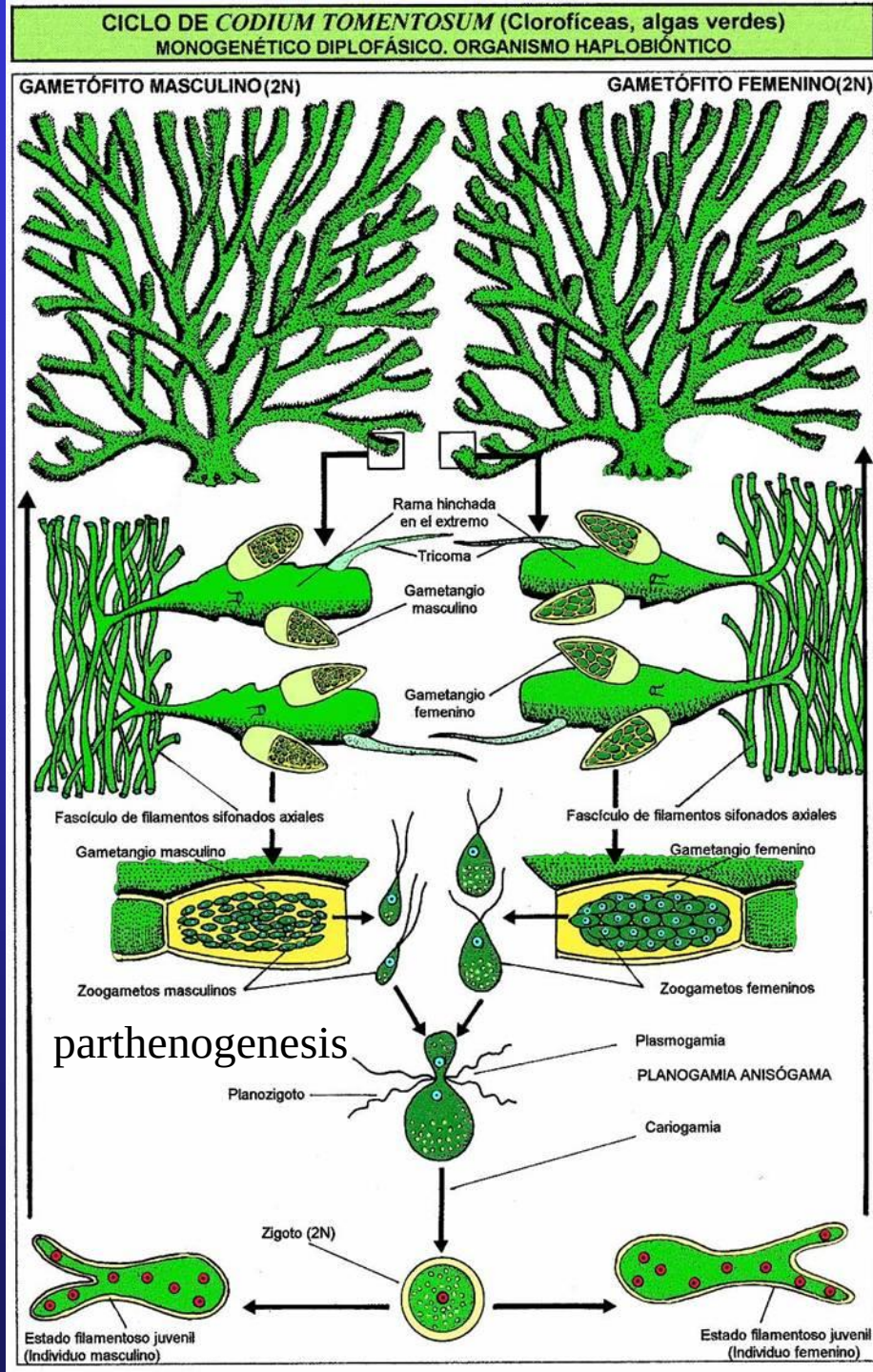
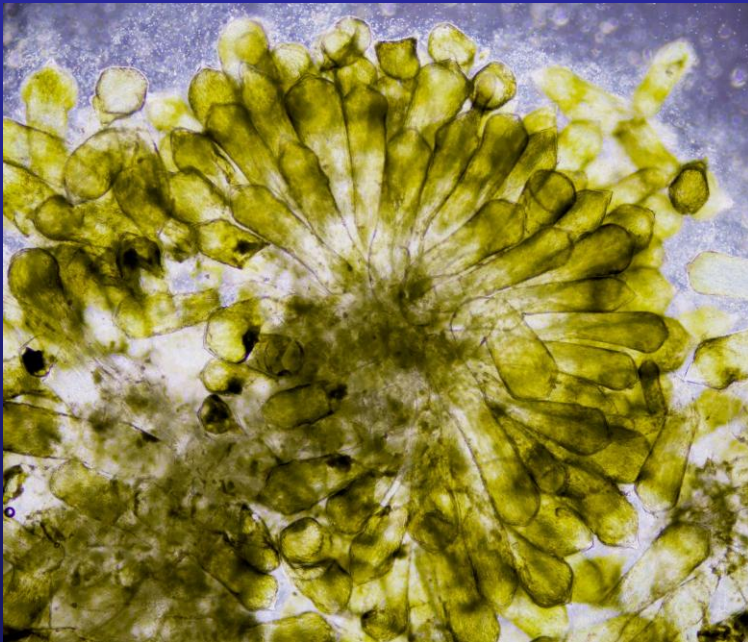


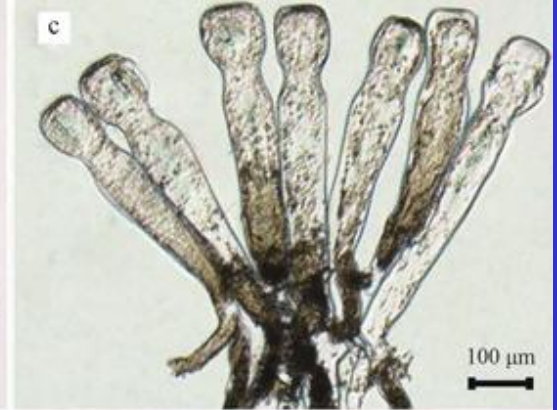


Codium

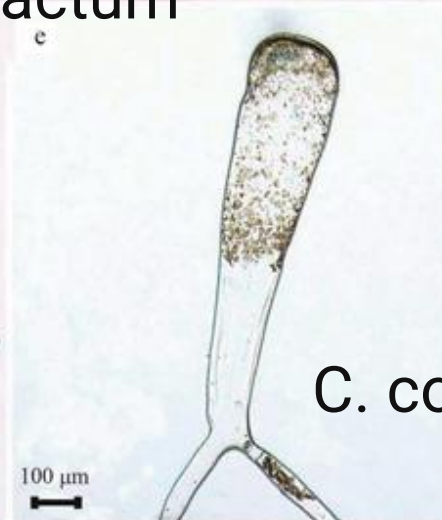
Codium fragile

multiaxial thallus, medulla, utriculi

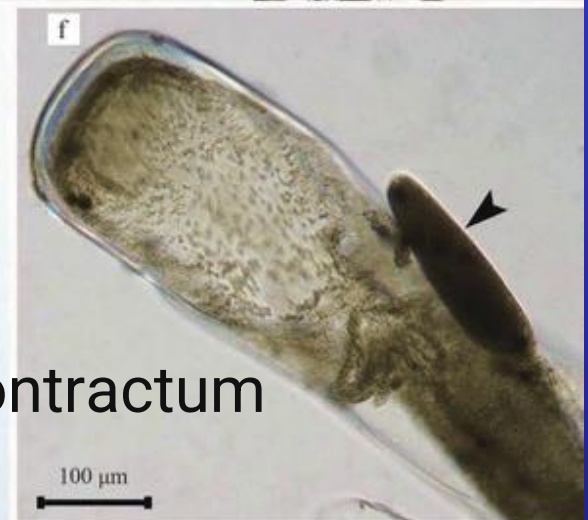




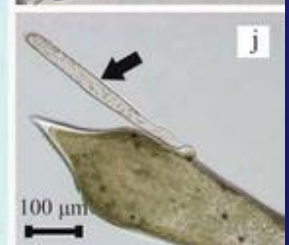
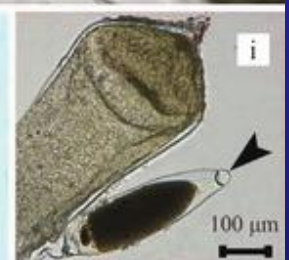
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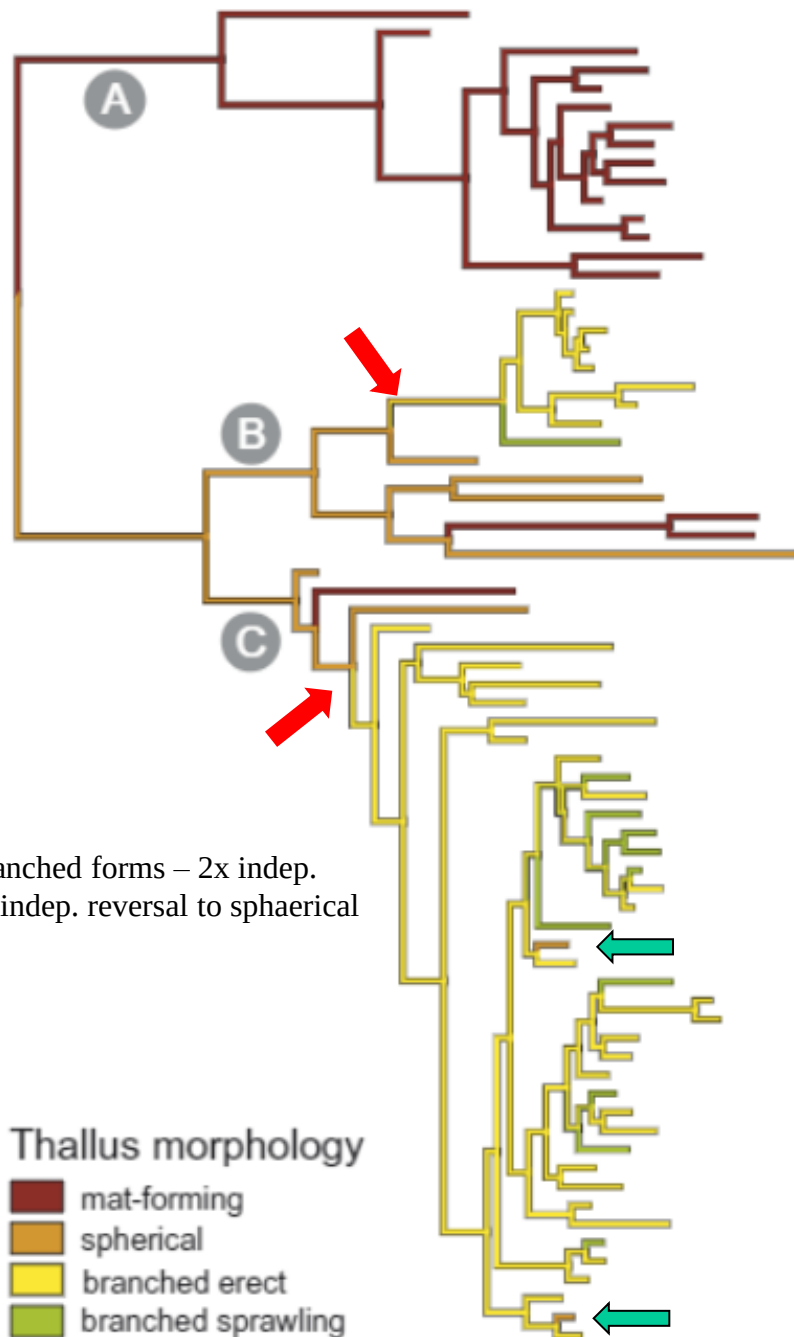
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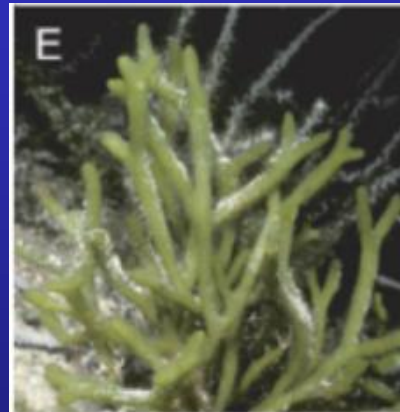
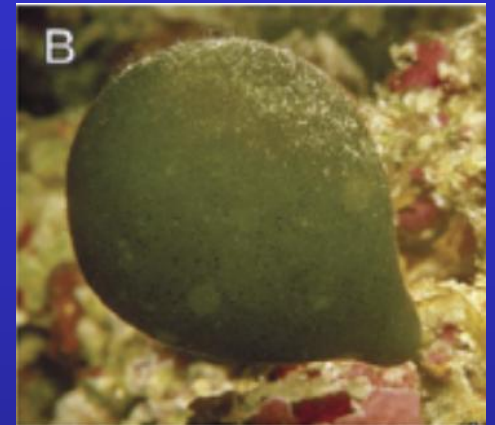
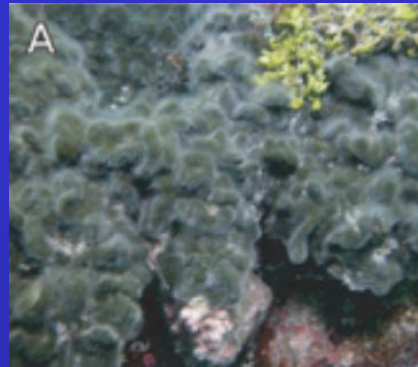
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A Thallus morphology



Thallus morphology



Verbruggen et al. 2007

Codium



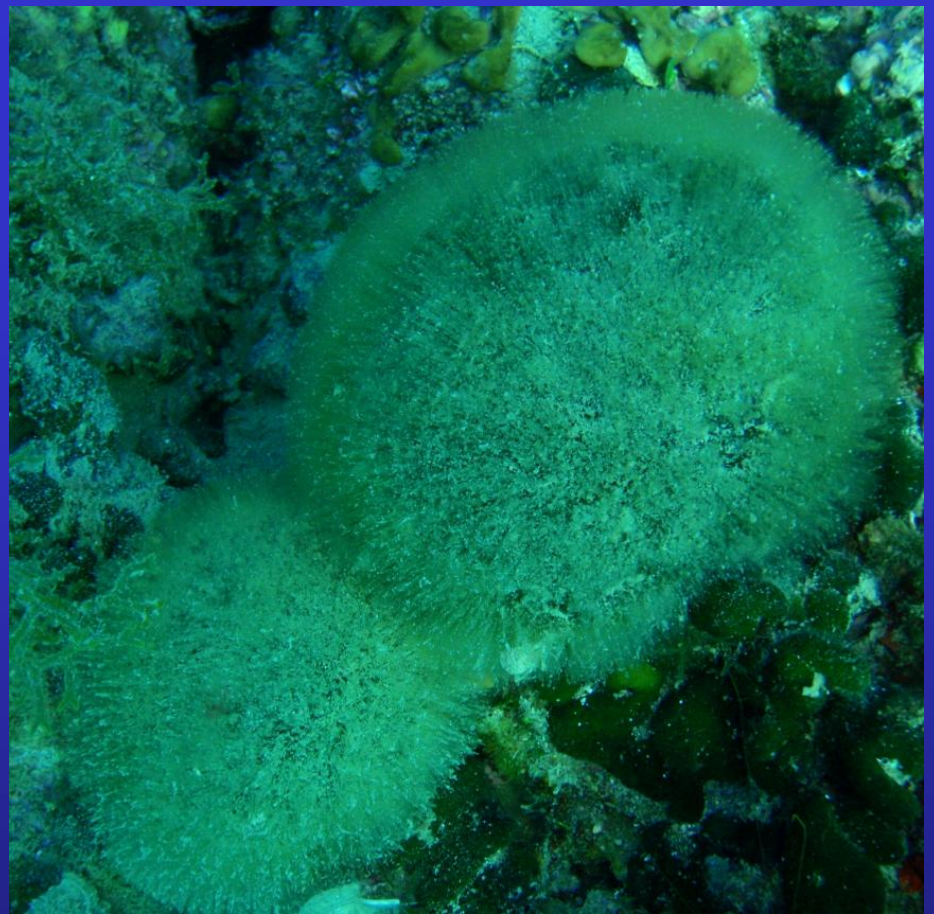
Codium sp.

Codium dimorphum

*Codium
fragile*



Scallop (Argopecten)



Codium – Piran/Punta;
Mediterranean Sea

Codium



Codium bursa



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Plonguernean 2004

C. fragile

Codium fragile spp. *tomentosoides* nepohlavně se rozmnožující
invazní druh - parthenogeneze
female gametes that germinate without fertilisation



Trowbridge (1998)



being unintentionally spread
around the globe with cultured
shellfish

linage Halimediniae

- heteroplastidic species (chloroplasts + amyloplasts)
- thylakoid organizing body in both the chloroplasts and amyloplasts
- production of zoids (gametes) holocarpic (whole thallus is entirely transformed to gametes, empty cell wall is left)
- stefanokont zoids are never produced
- main cell wall polysaccharide xylan (with little or no cellulose)
- mass simultaneous release of ♂ and ♀ gametes



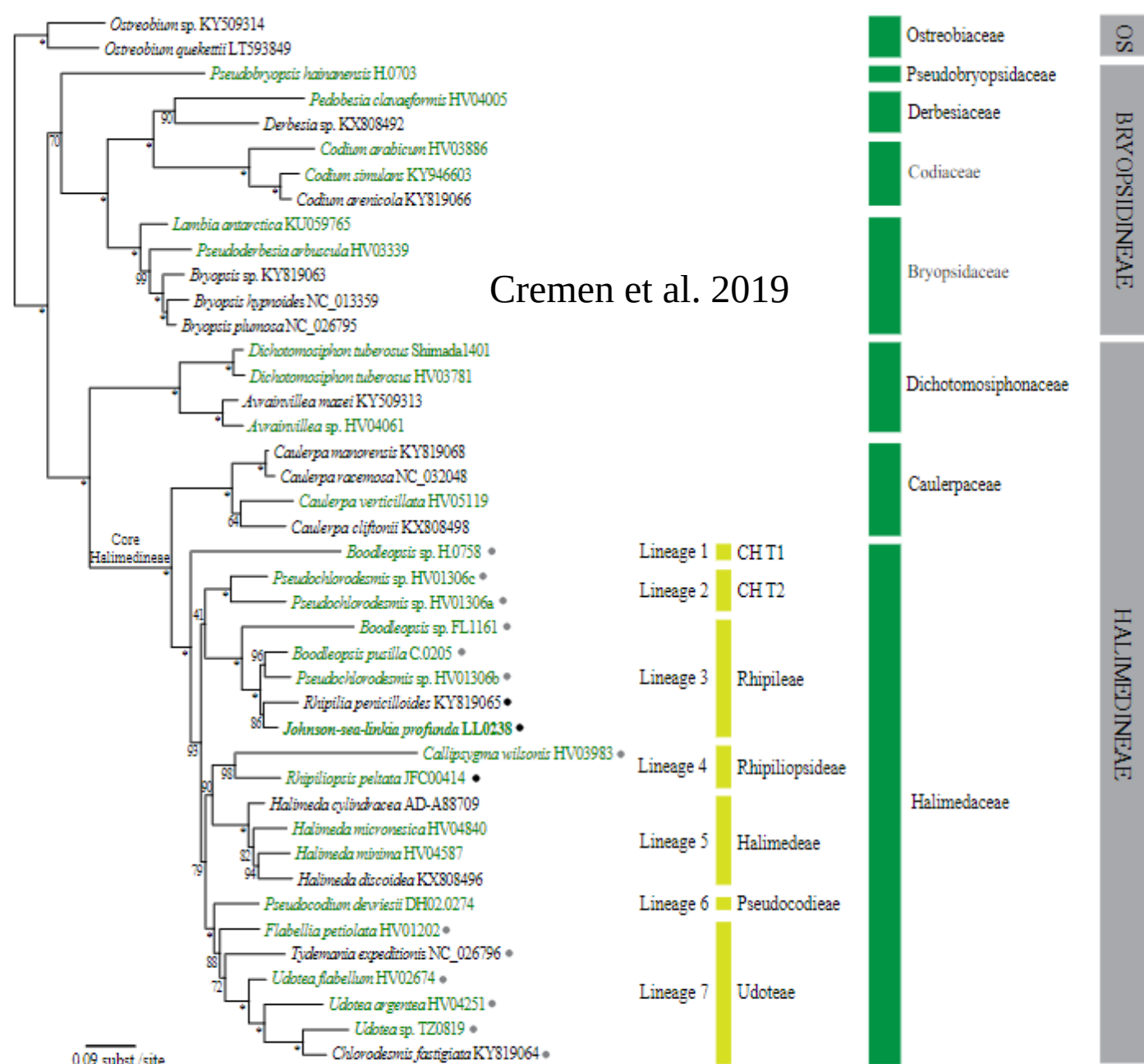


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Simultaneous release of ♂ and ♀ gametes

Characteristic for *Caulerpa*, *Halimeda*, *Penicillus*, *Rhipocephalus* and *Udotea* (ca 17 species) Clifton, 1997



Penicillus. Note the contrast between a non-fertile thallus on the left and a fertile female on the right (dead thallus from earlier reproduction in the middle)



Udotea Panama reef

Simultaneous release of ♂ and ♀ gametes



sterilní *Udotea caribbaea*



plodná ♀ stélka *Udotea cyathiformes*. Bílé části stélky – migrace protoplasmu do gametangií



*Udotea
caribaea*

♀ thallus



♂ thallus



release of
gametes →

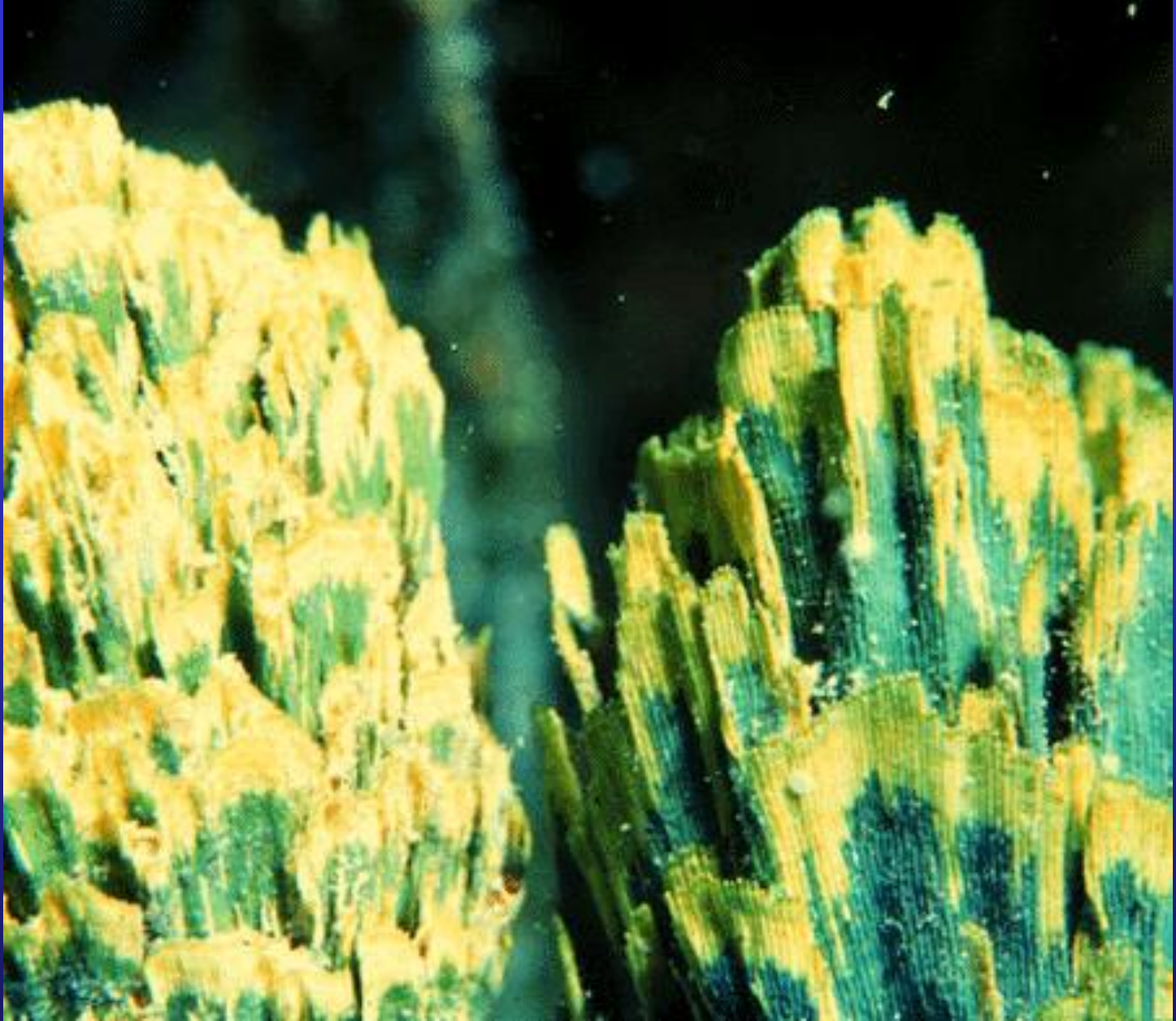
Simultaneous release of ♂ and ♀ gametes



♀ gametangia



♂ rostlina vypouští
gamety



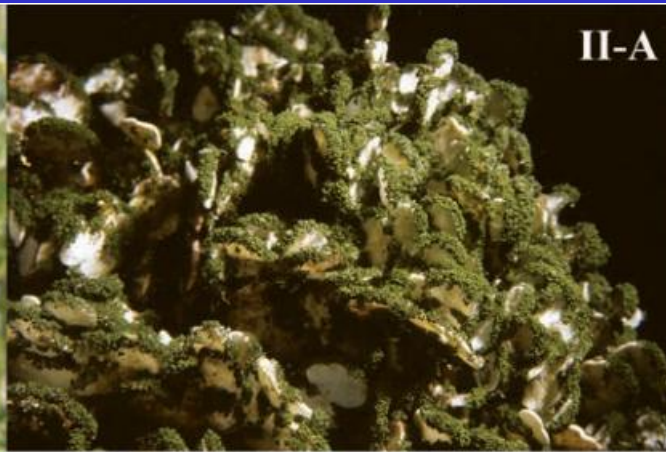
Rhipocephalus phoenix ♂ thallus (left), ♀(right)

Examples of fertility—evident by the presence of gametangia and color change; Clifton 2013

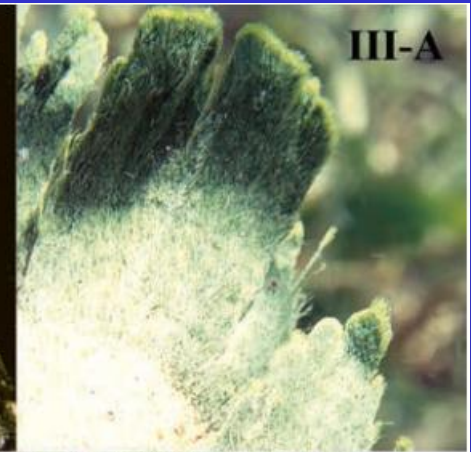
♂



I-A

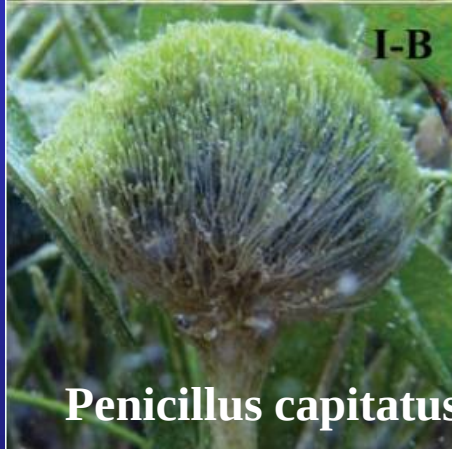


II-A



III-A

♀



I-B



II-B



III-B

Penicillus capitatus

Halimeda tuna

Udotea caribea

nonfertile
thalli



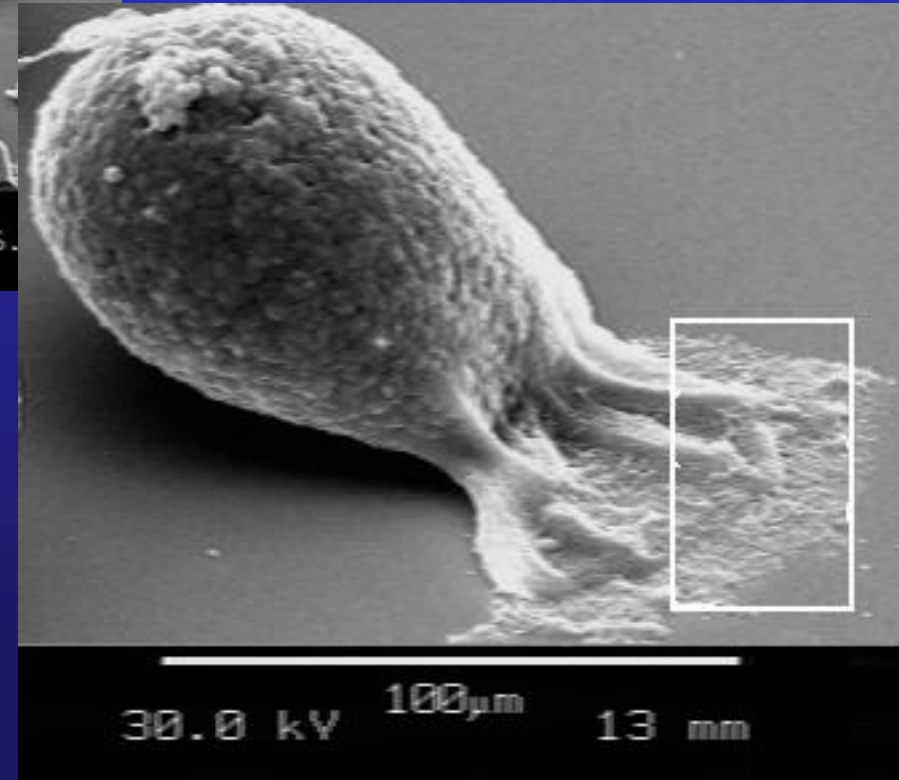
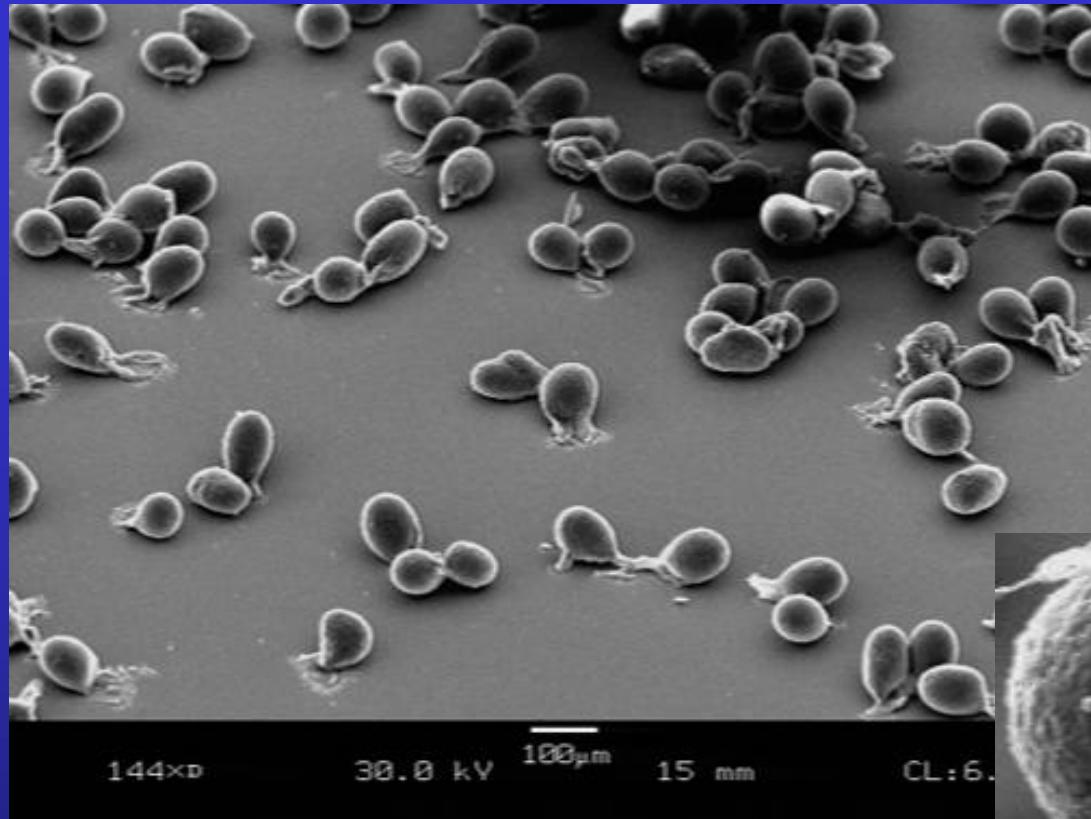
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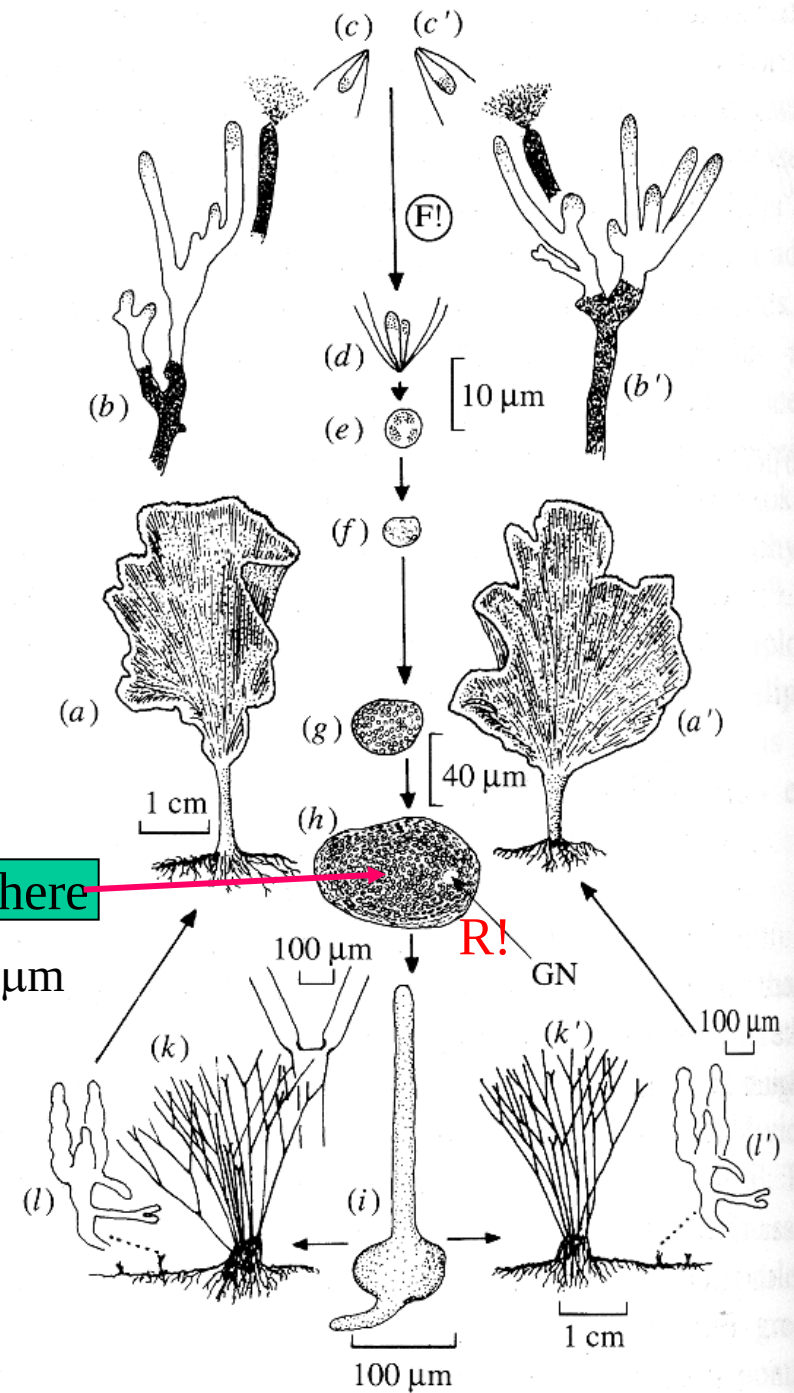
II-C



III-C



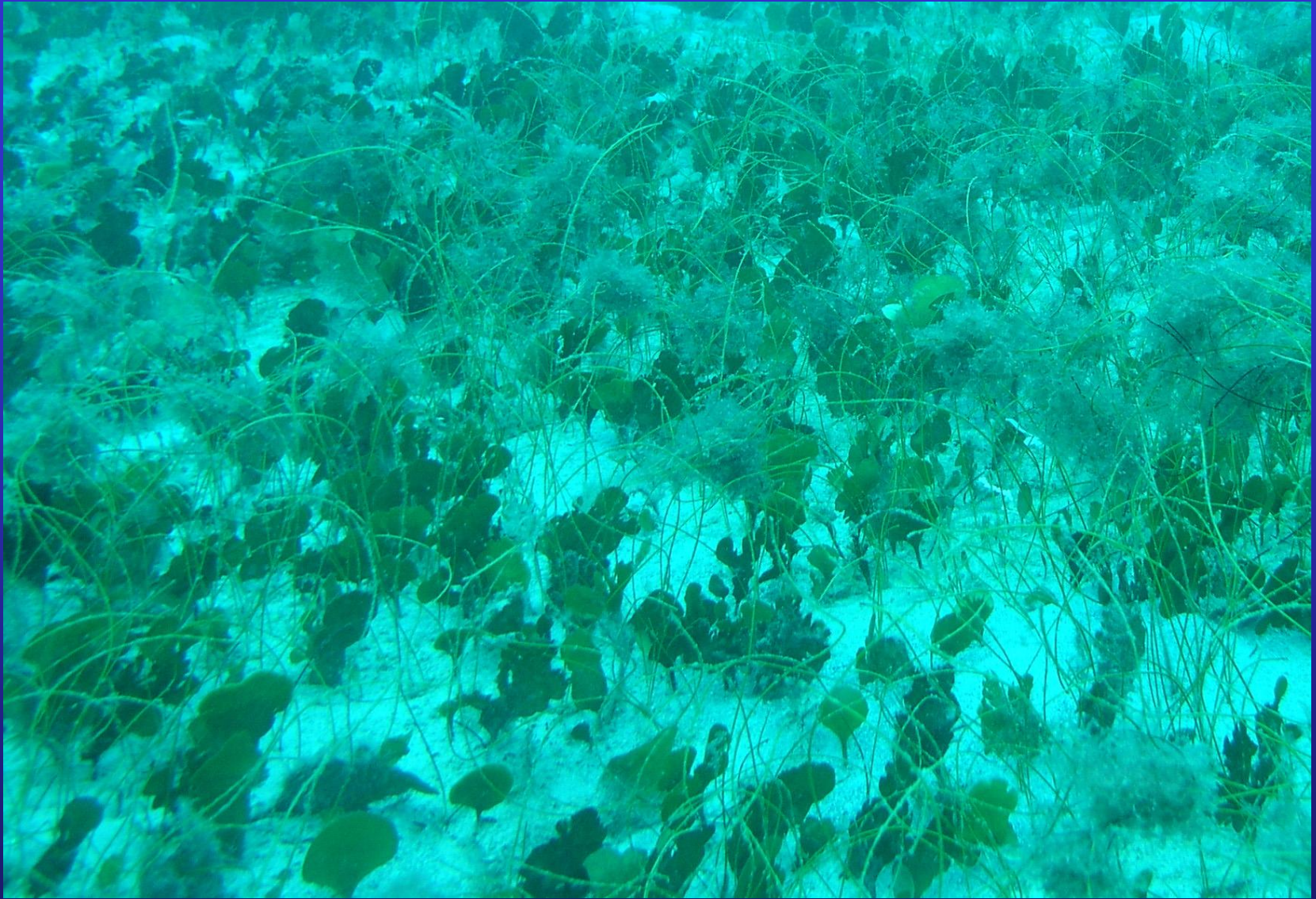
♀ gamete *Rhipocephalus phoenix*
-pinecone alga



Flabellia petiolata = *Udotea petiolata*



– Piran/Strunjan - Mediterranean Sea



Genus: Udotea and Syringodium (sea grass)

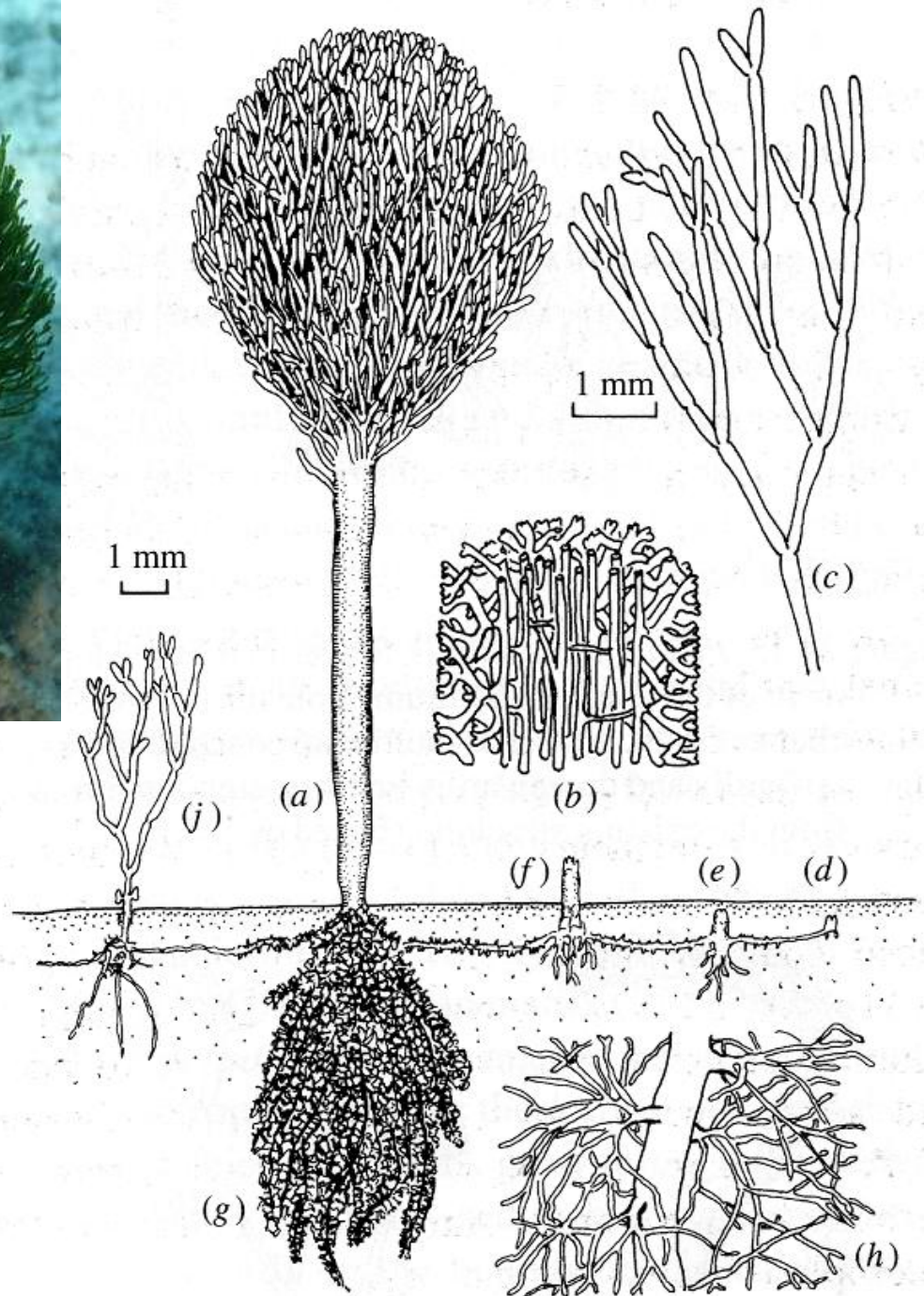
Location: Puerto Rico



Penicillus capitatus



Neptune's
Shaving
Brush





shallow seagrass meadows (*Penicillus*, *Halimeda*)

Halimeda

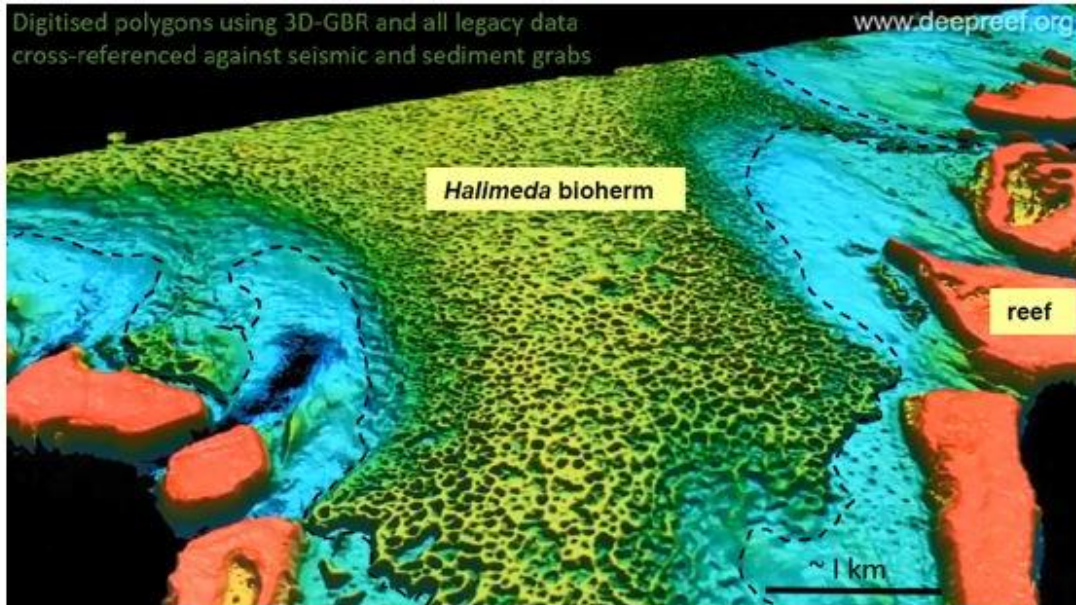


Halimeda tuna



Halimeda cuneata

Why is *Halimeda* important?



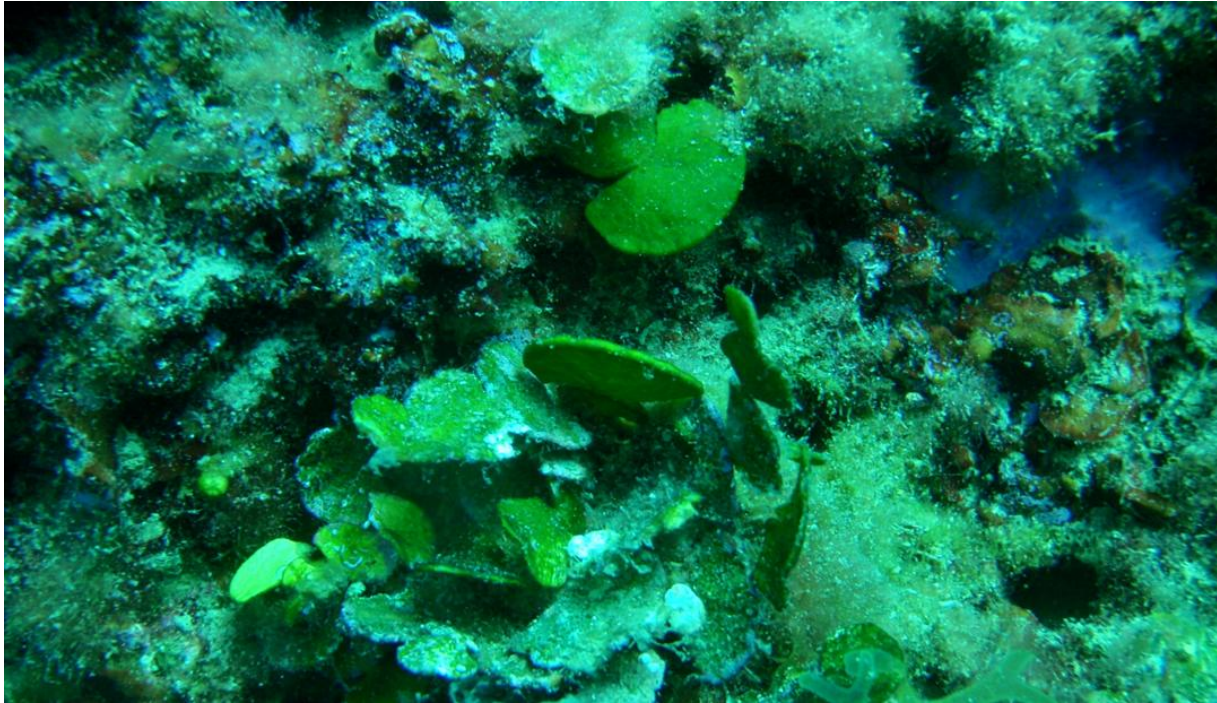
3D image showing the distribution and morphology of a *Halimeda* bioherm in the northern (Source: www.deeppreef.org GBR & sea floor image showing the alcaresous green algae *Halimeda* (Source: Emma Kennedy).

Halimeda bioherms: inter-reef carbonate sediments along the north GBR shelf

- produce $3 \text{ kg CaCO}_3 \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ year}^{-1}$ compared to 3–4 kg for the reefs
- long-term storage of atmospheric carbon in tropical coral reef environments (CO_2 sink)

CaCO_3 deposited in the modern sediments made by the members of the genus *Halimeda* was conservatively estimated to at least 575 Gt of mass carbon, i.e. the amount comparable to the present day carbon in the global terrestrial vegetation

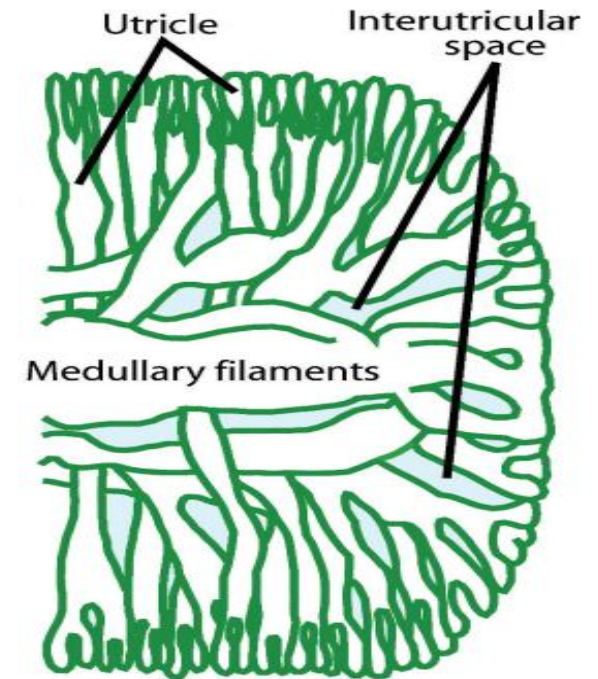
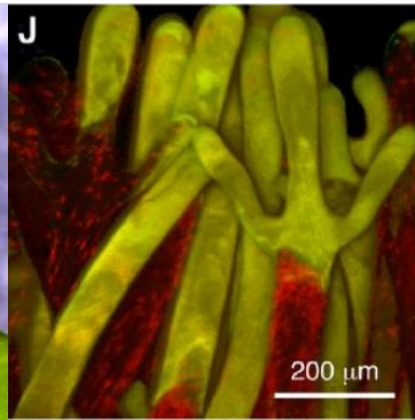
Halimeda tuna Adriatic Sea



H. tuna + *Mesophyllum alternans* approx. 465 g of $\text{CaCO}_3 \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ year}^{-1}$

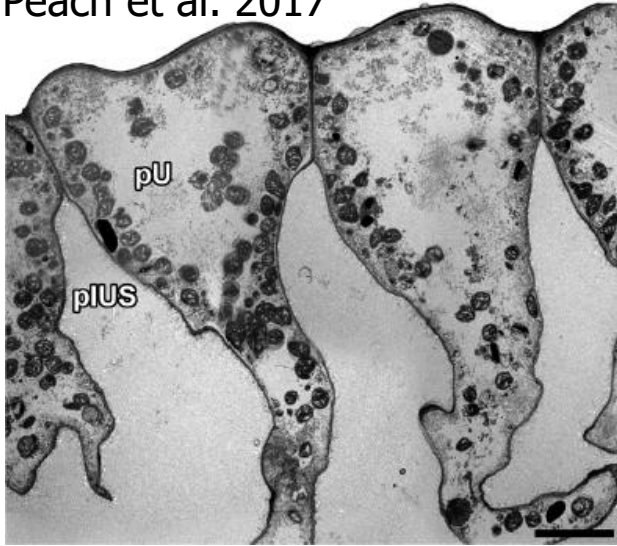
Halimeda attached to the hard substratre

The whole thallus consists of a single cell



Larkum et al. 2011

Peach et al. 2017

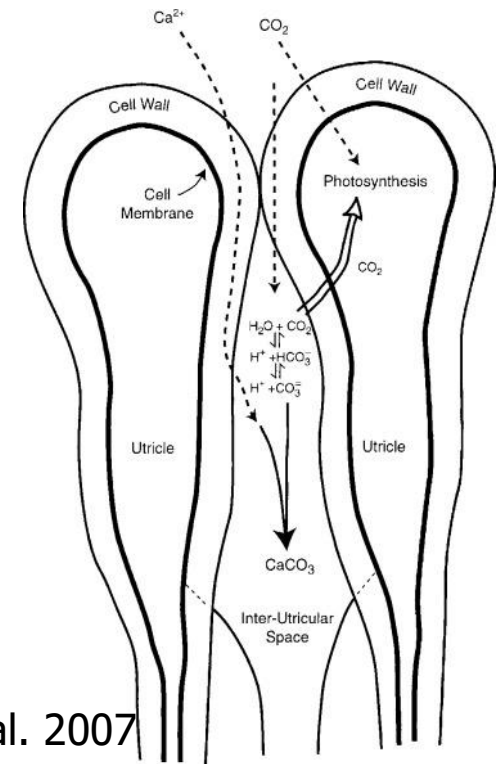
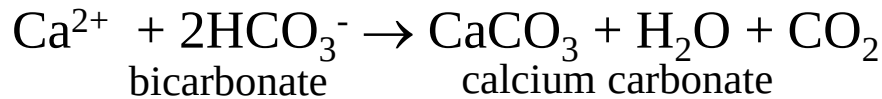


Calcification

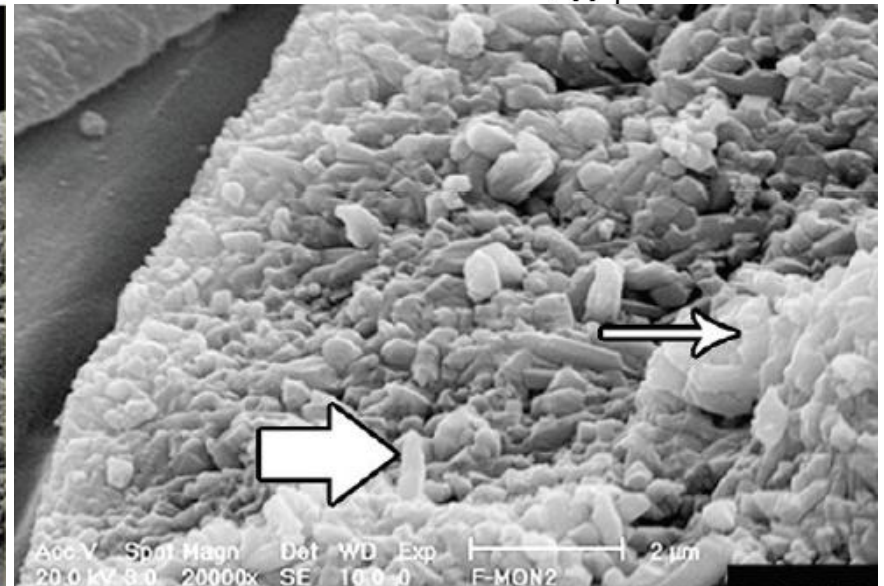
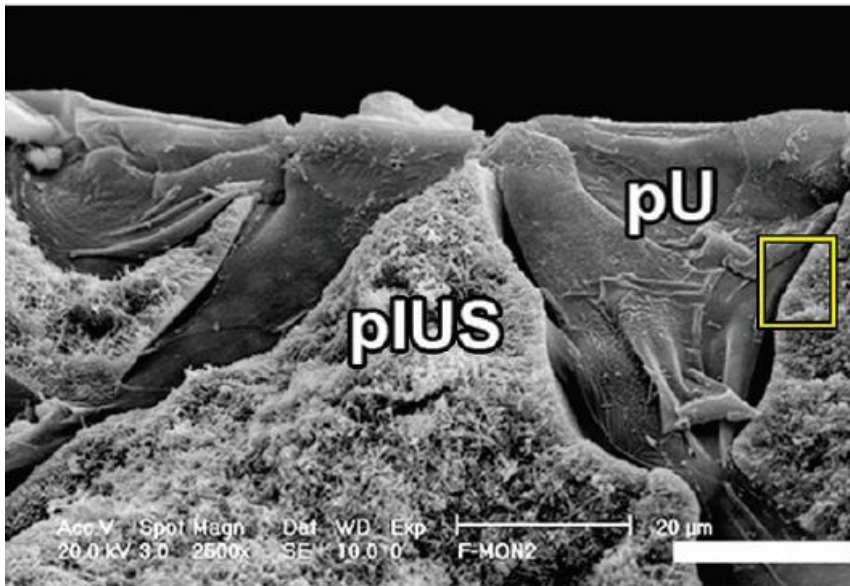
inter-utricular space

gradual increase of CaCO_3 content

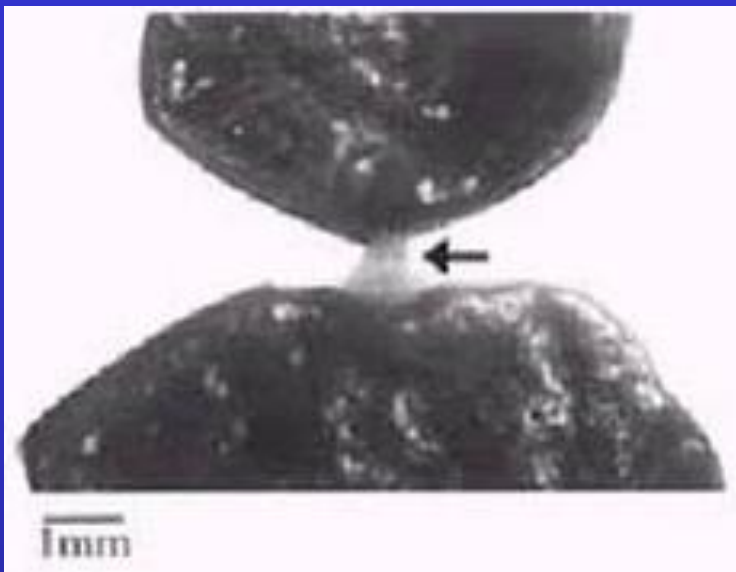
photosynthesis →
alkalinisation of the inter-
utricular space → trigger for
calcification



Adey et al. 2007



Aragonite microcrystals

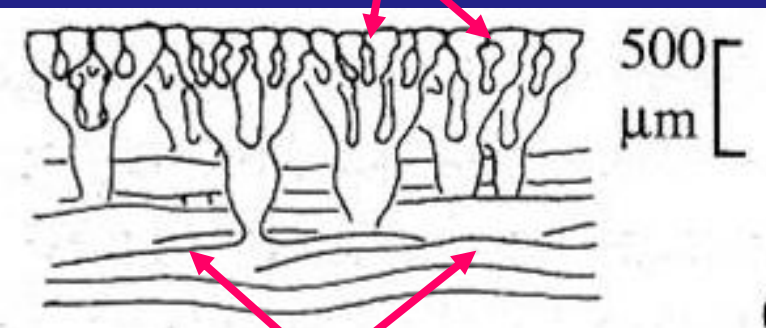


detailed view in SEM

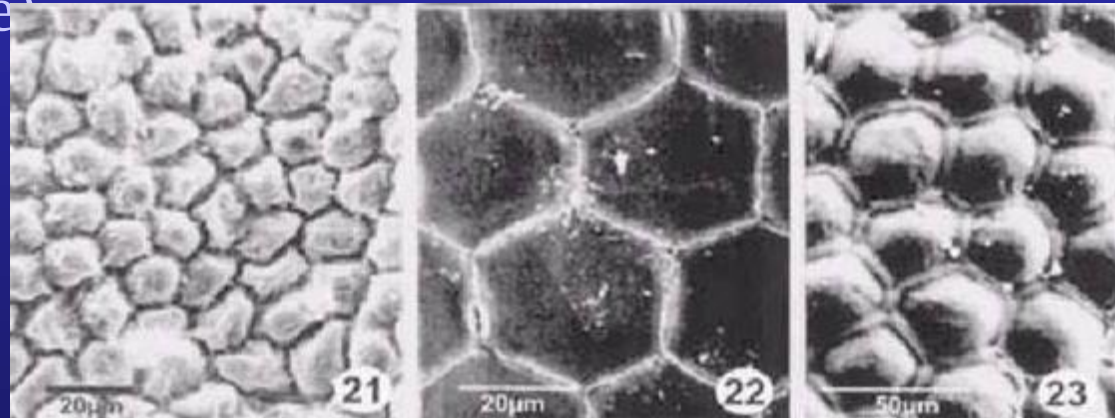
H. cuneata – nodulus není inkrustován

CaCO_3 (calcium carbonate)

utrikulus



medula

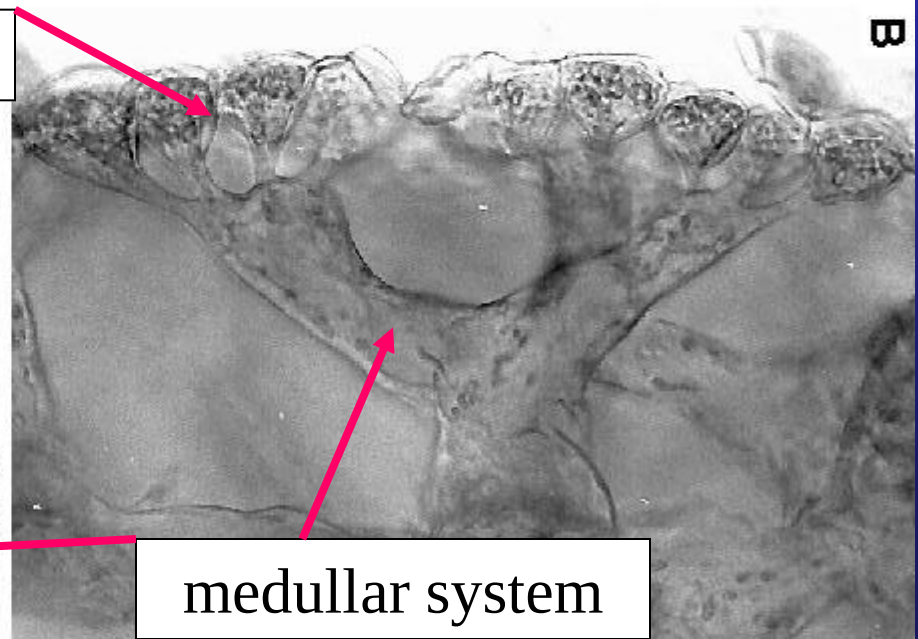
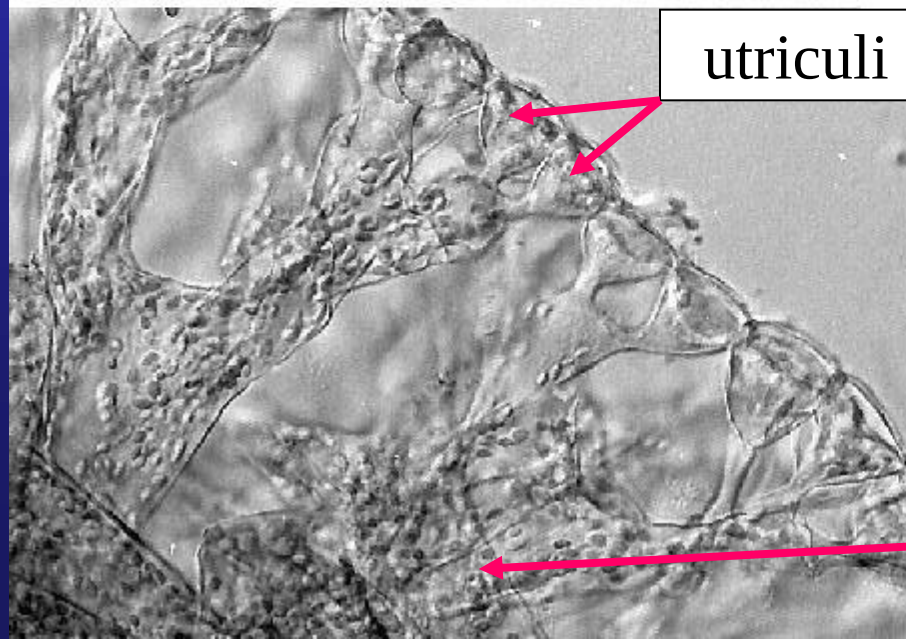
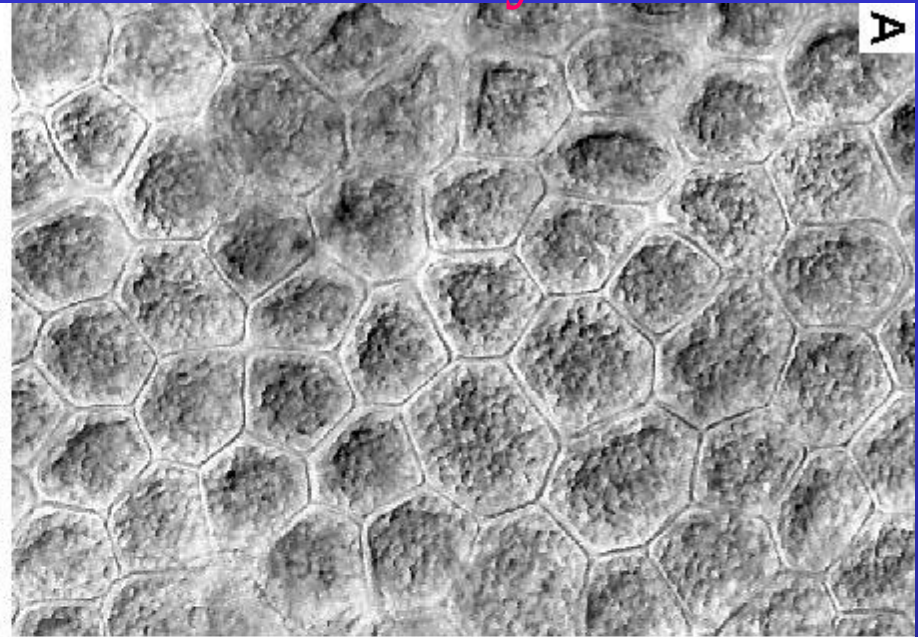
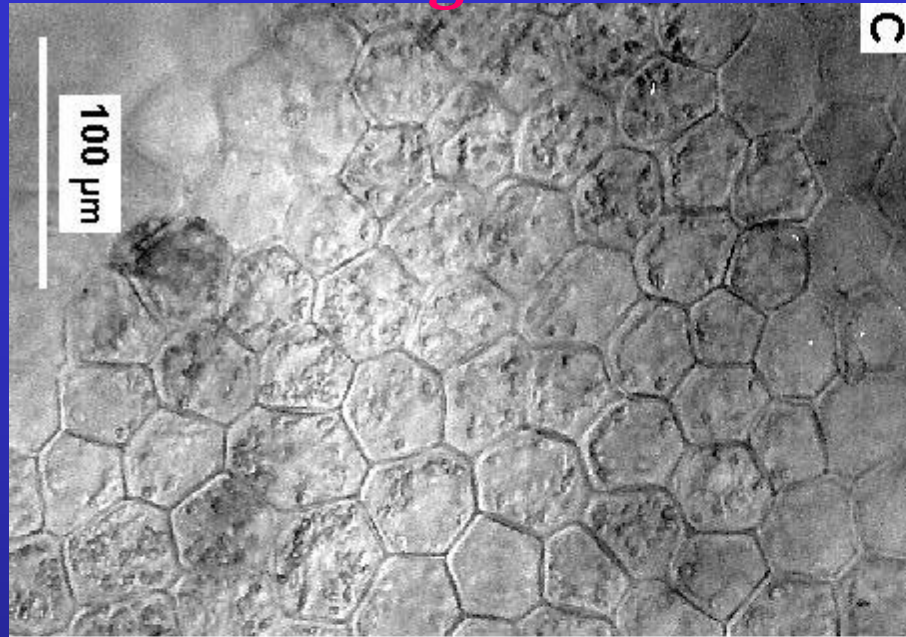


segment surface in different *Halimeda* species
SEM

Distribution of chloroplasts in *Halimeda* during the day and night

night

day

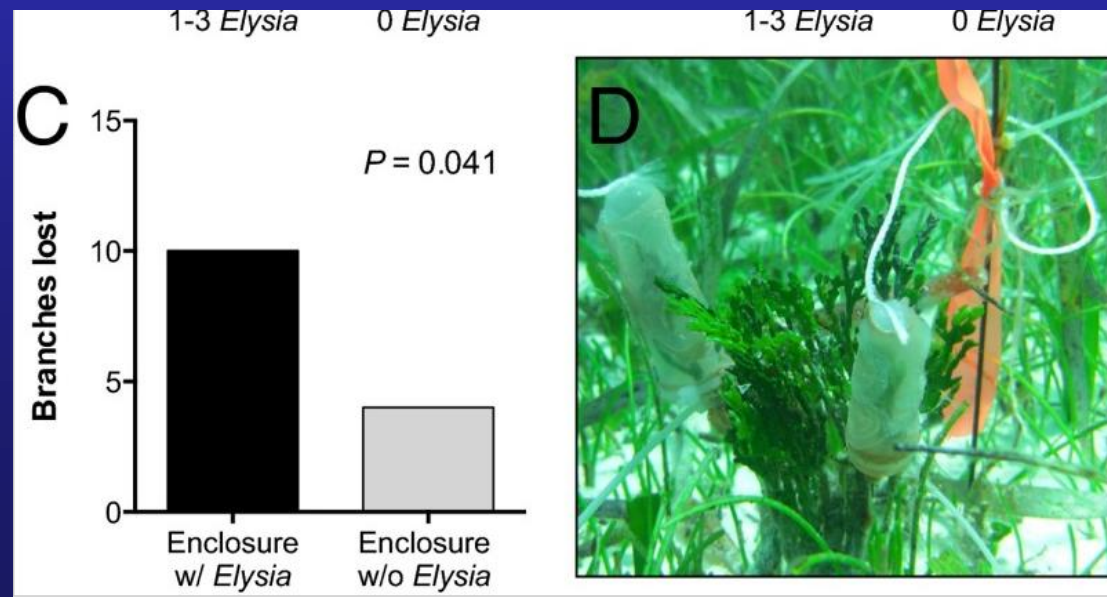


Elysia pusilla



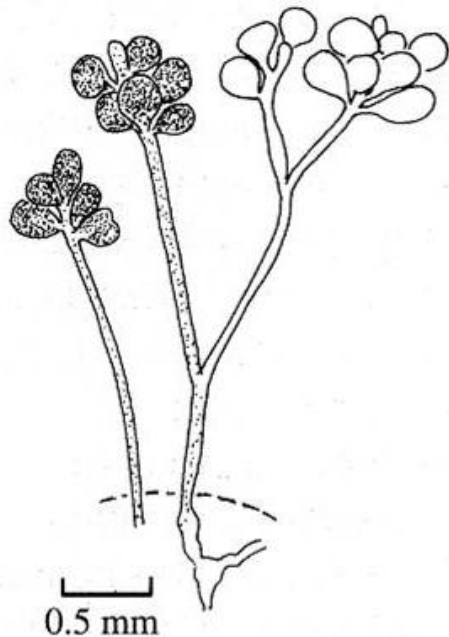
Elysia pusilla feeds on the calcified green alga *Halimeda incrassata* and incorporates functioning chloroplasts into its body, thus it is known as a solar-powered sea slug. It is found in shallow water in tropical regions of the Indo-Pacific wherever its host species grows.

Halimeda responds by dropping branches occupied by *Elysia*, apparently to prevent fungal infection associated with *Elysia* feeding

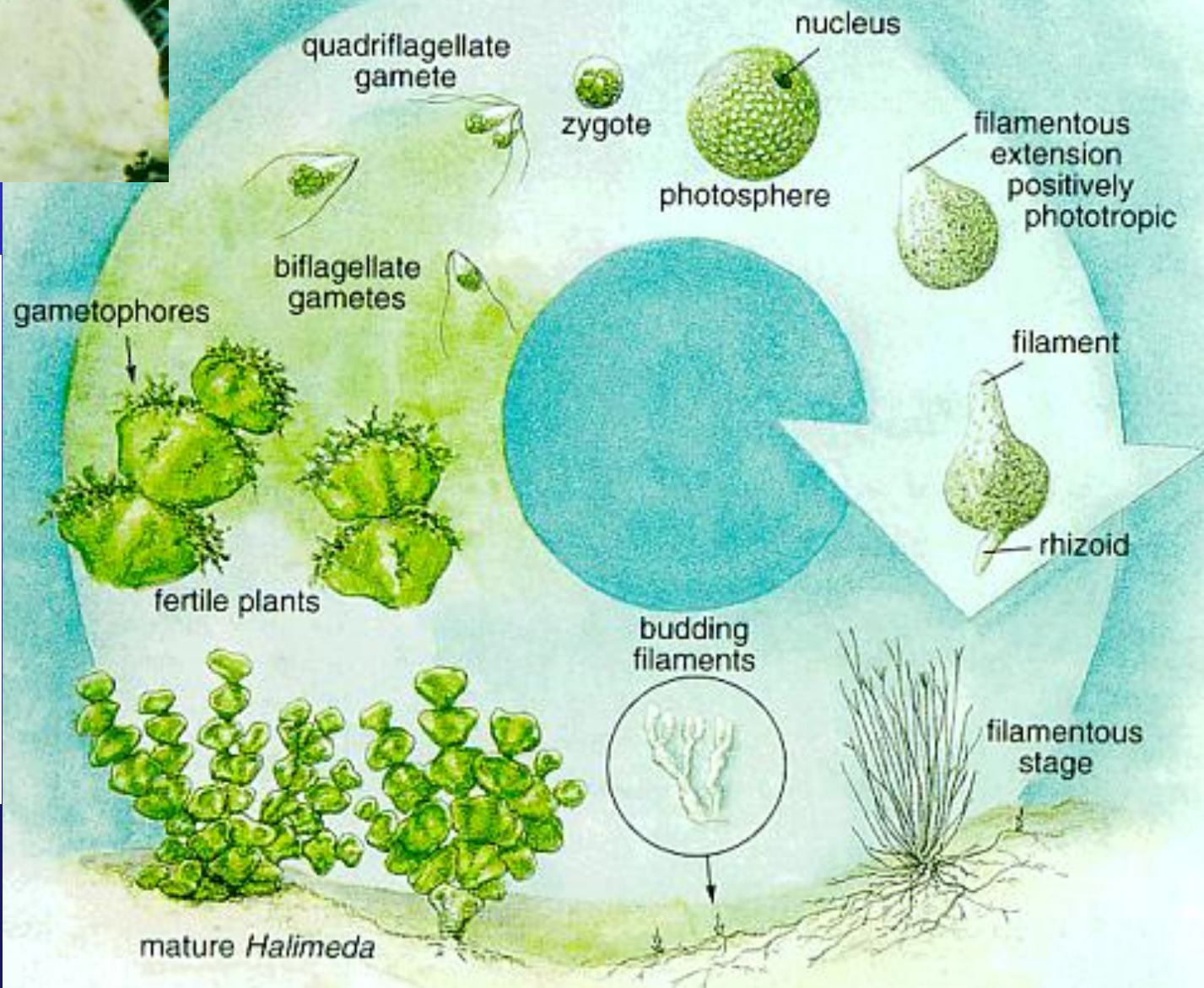




gametangia



Halimeda

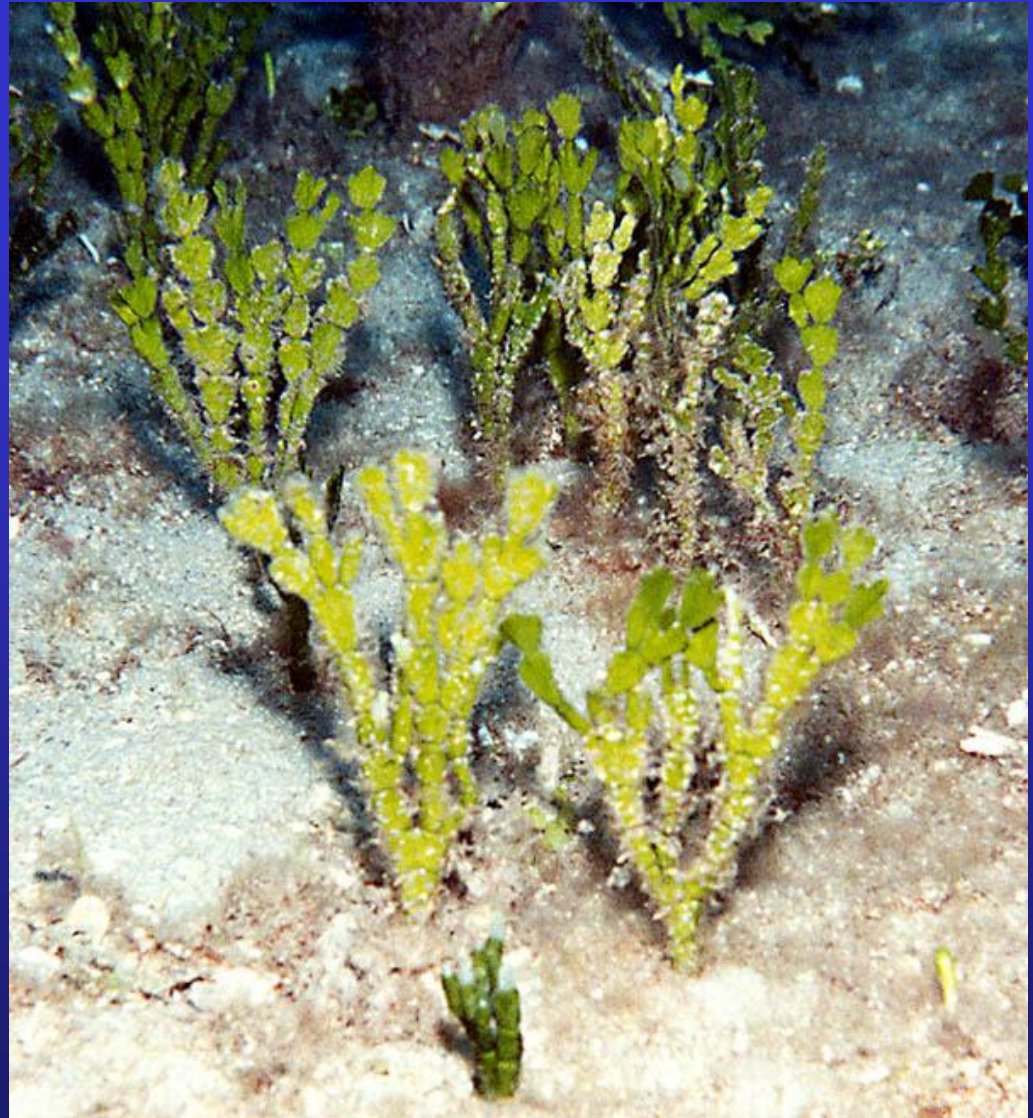




gametangia *Halimeda tuna* – Mediterranean Sea

Halimeda – Great Barrier Reef





Halimeda incrassata

Halimeda - mimikry



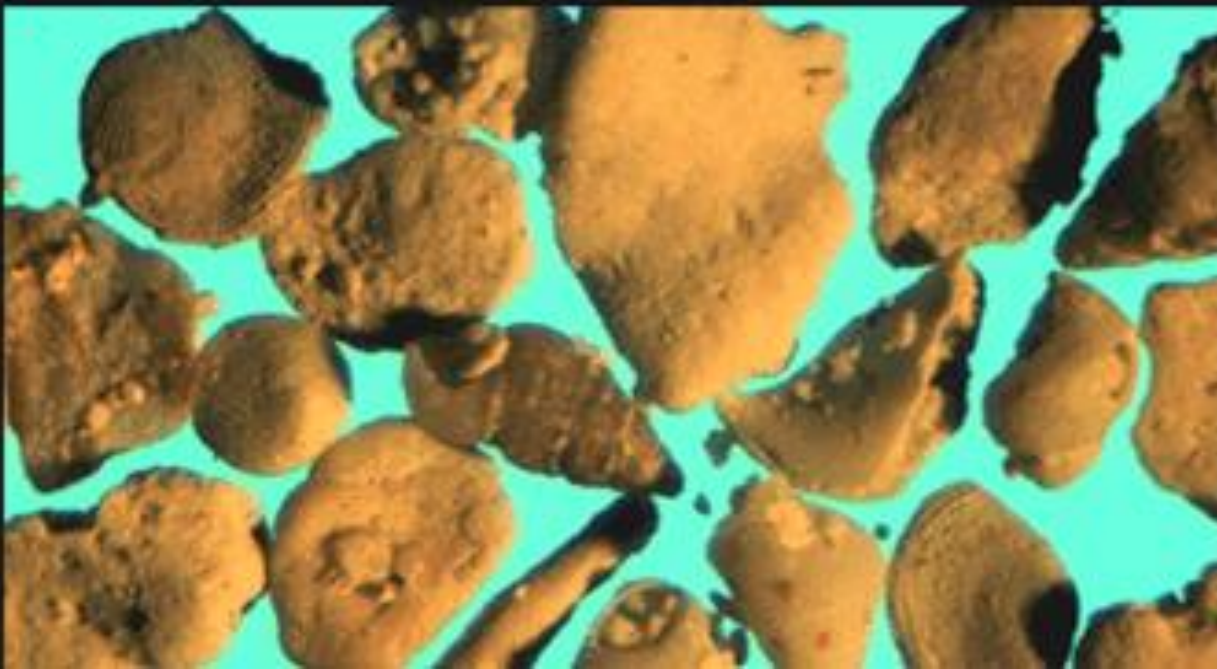
Solenostomus halimeda - ryba,
dokáže měnit barvu a napodobit
i prázdné=bílé segmenty

krab *Huenia heraldica* uses living
fronds of *Halimeda* algae as a hat



Halimeda

tropical beach in Belize
(Caribbean Sea)



The flattened grains are fragments from jointed calcareous plates of the green alga **Halimeda** (probably **H. opuntia**). This interesting green alga grows among the submarine turtlegrass beds and the luxuriant coral reefs of this region.



Fig. 1. Illustration of morphological variation in the species *Halimeda cuneata* (A–N), *H. discoidea* (O–Q) and *H. tuna* (R, S). (A, B) *H. cuneata* 1. (C, D) *H. cuneata* 2. (E, F) *H. cuneata* 3. (G, H) *H. cuneata* 4. (I, J) *H. cuneata* f. *digitata*. (K, L) *H. cuneata* f. *undulata*. (M, N) *H. cuneata* 7. (O) *H. discoidea* 1. (P) *H. discoidea* 2. (Q) *H. discoidea* 3. (R) *H. tuna* 1. (S) *H. tuna* 2.

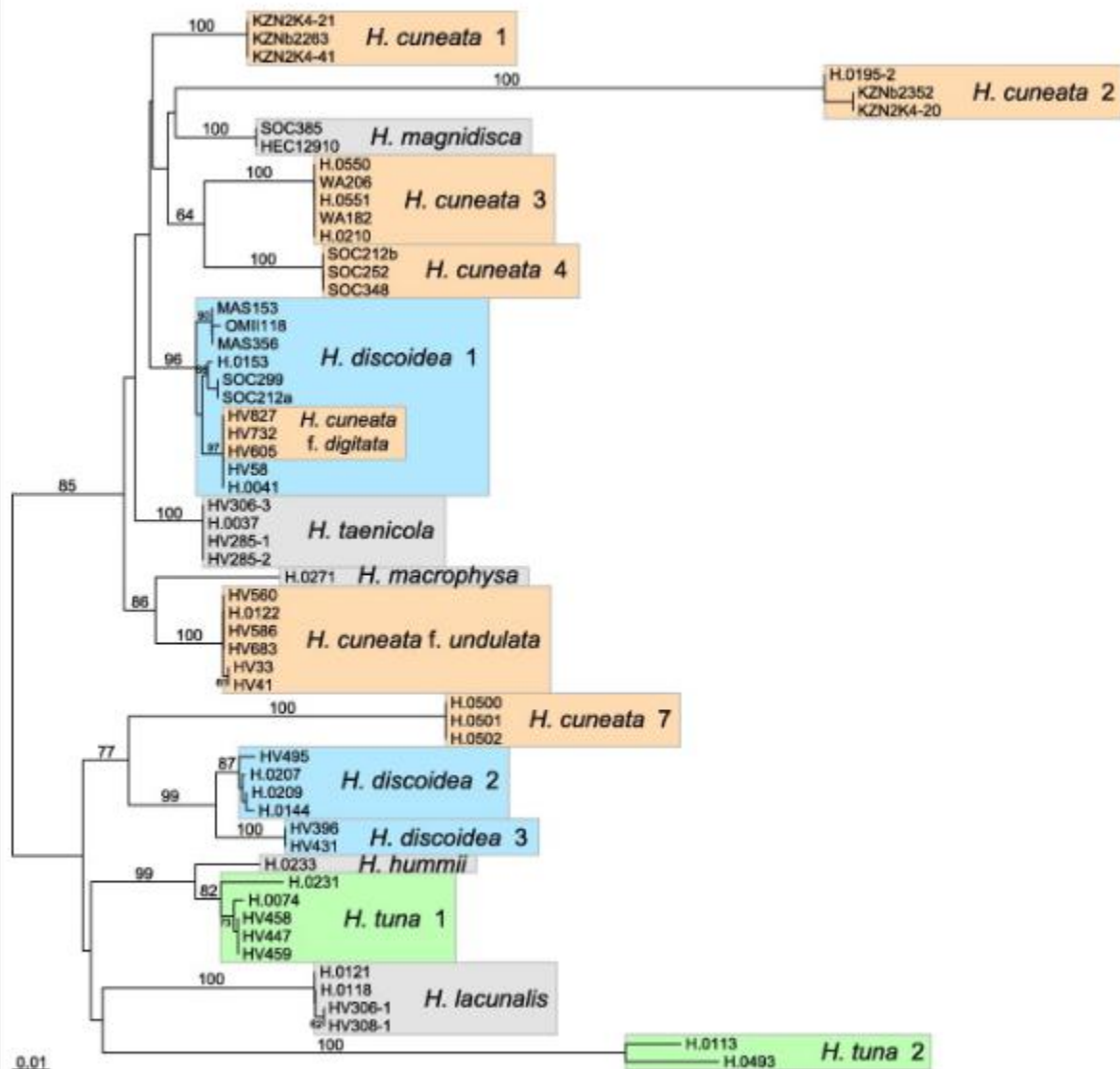
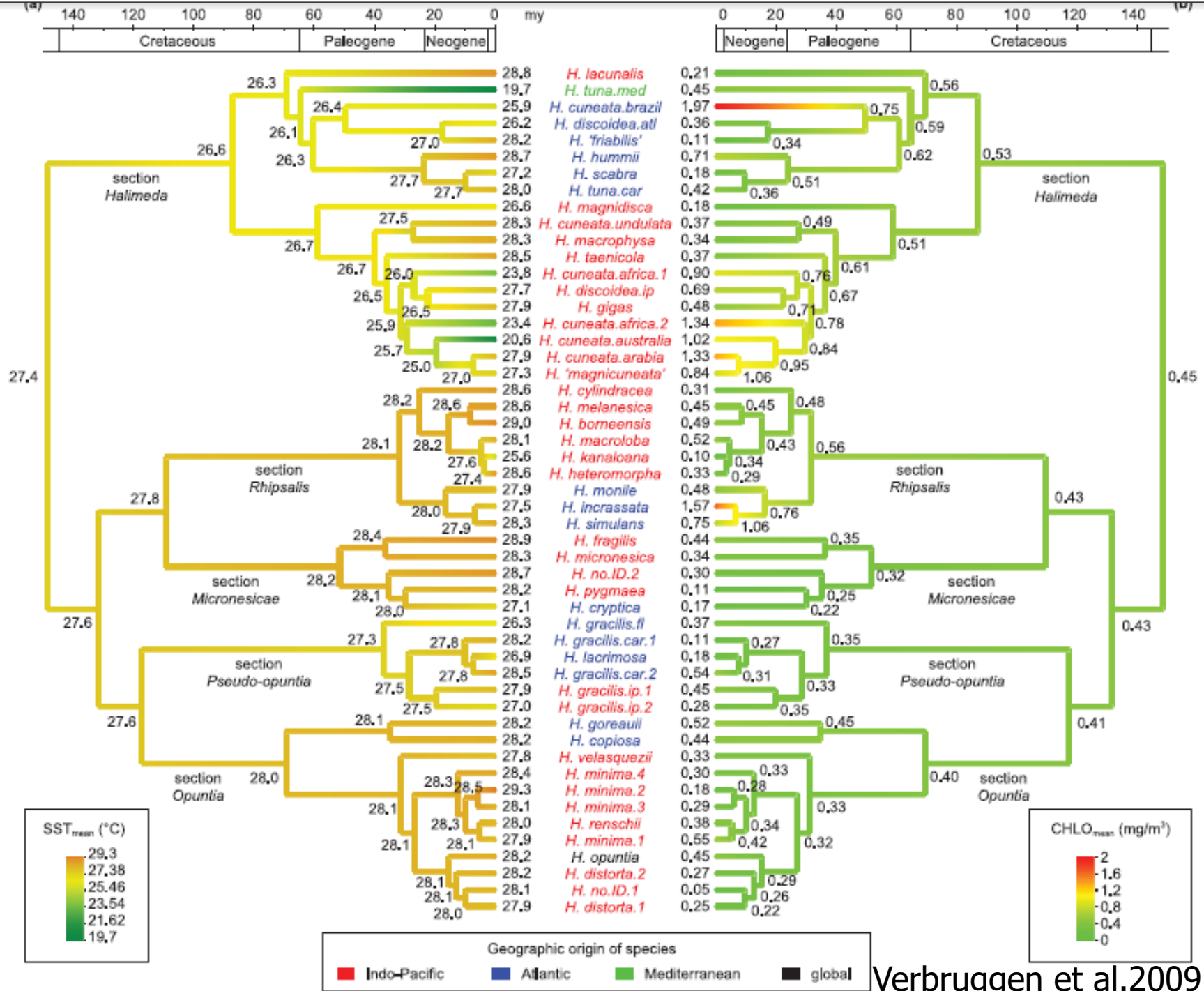
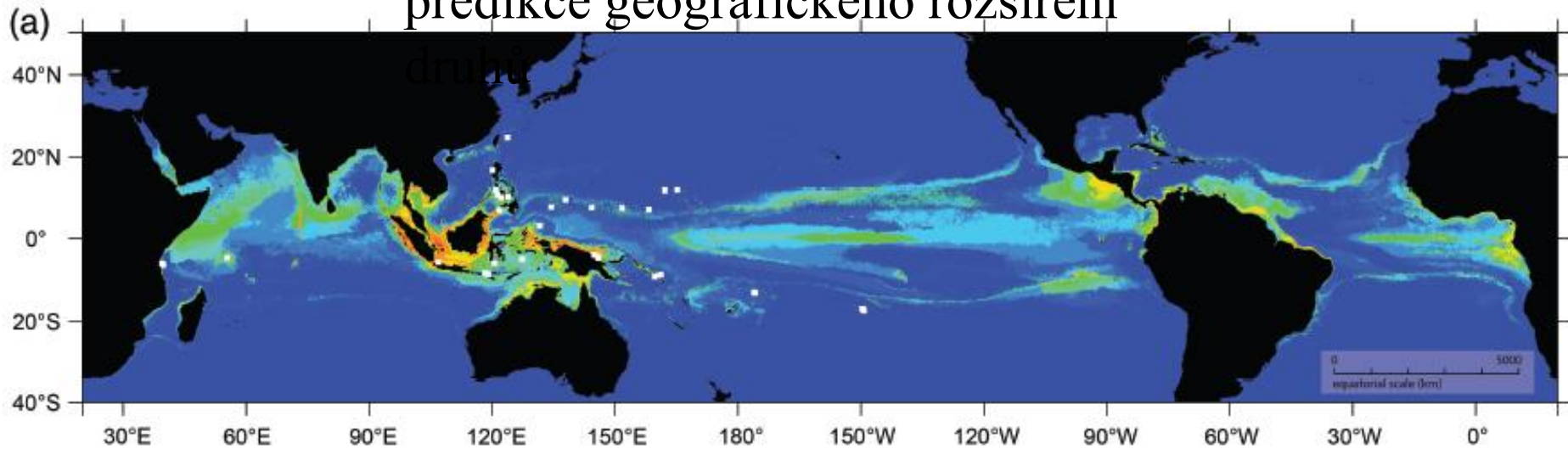


Fig. 3. Neighbor joining phylogram inferred from *rps19-rps3* sequences of 60 *Halimeda* specimens (score = 1.13797). The outgroup was removed from the tree. Bootstrap proportions exceeding 50% are indicated at branches.

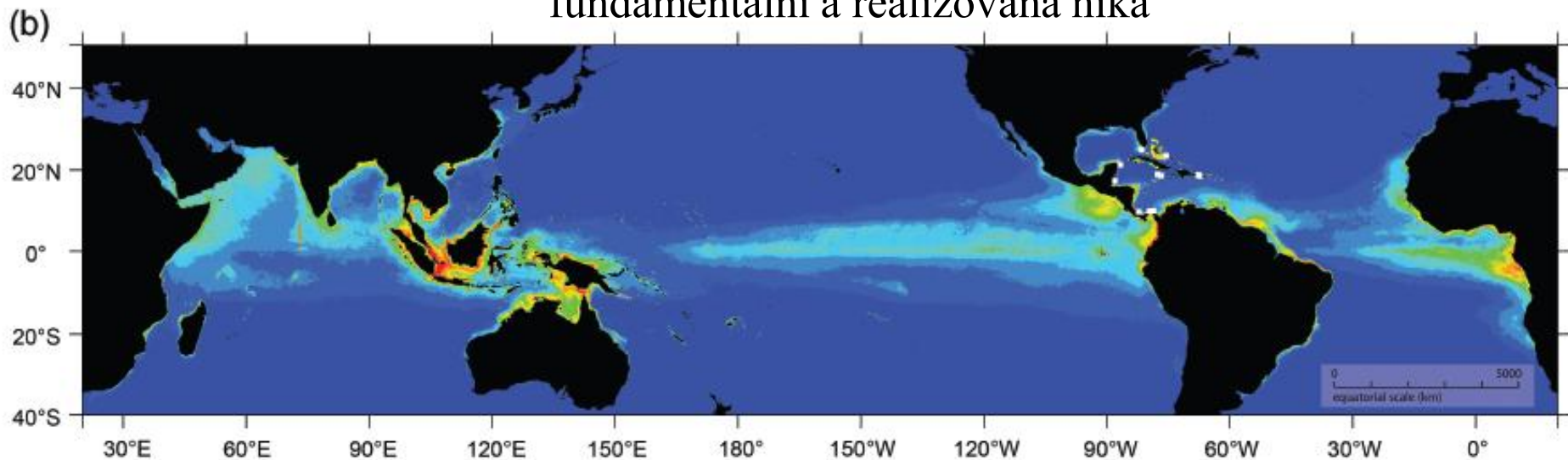


predikce geografického rozšíření

druhů



fundamentální a realizovaná nika



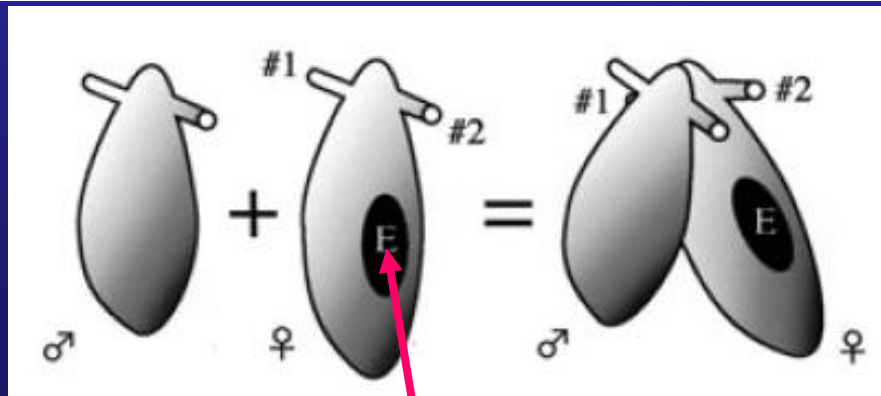
(a) Niche model of the exclusively Indo-Pacific species *Halimeda borneensis* indicating habitat suitability in some Atlantic regions. (b) Niche model of the exclusively Atlantic species *Halimeda simulans* predicting habitat suitability in several Indo-Pacific regions.

Life History of *Caulerpa taxifolia*

Caulerpa

uniaxial thallus

heteroplastidic



stigma



Caulerpa taxifolia – „killer alga“ invasive species, succesfull along Mediterranean Sea shores and California



C. taxifolia ve Středozemním moři

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H0snJY3GHuU>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h-odcuD9BvA>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AajEW07qCGw>

Location of known introductions of *Caulerpa taxifolia* in the United States

CALIFORNIA

Huntington Harbor
Huntington Beach

Agua Hedionda Lagoon, Carlsbad

SCUBA DIVERS

The help of SCUBA divers is critical to finding new infestations of *Caulerpa* in the wild. You can help by learning what *Caulerpa* looks like and keeping an eye out for it on your dives.



There are many species of *Caulerpa* that are used in the aquarium trade that could be released into the wild. Though many of them are tropical species, *Caulerpa taxifolia* and *Caulerpa racemosa* have both taken over large areas of seafloor in temperate waters due to their cold tolerance. Because *Caulerpa* is only native in the United States in Hawaii and some parts of Florida, divers should be on the lookout for all species of *Caulerpa*, which have many consistent features between them. All are bright green, have a runner by which it spreads, and upright fronds ([Identification](#)).

Caulerpa can grow on mud, sand or rock, and in shallow or deep water. It grows low to the bottom, typically six to 12 inches high. It can grow in calm or rough waters. Fragments of *Caulerpa* do not float and it is therefore not likely to be found on docks, boat hulls or in ballast water.



If you think you have found *Caulerpa* in the wild:

- Note as much information as possible (location, depth, bottom type, size of the patch).
- Record the location with a GPS if possible.
- Take a photo if possible.
- Collect a small piece and press it flat in newspaper (be careful - even a 1-mm piece broken off can start a new infestation).

Report the sighting and it will be investigated.

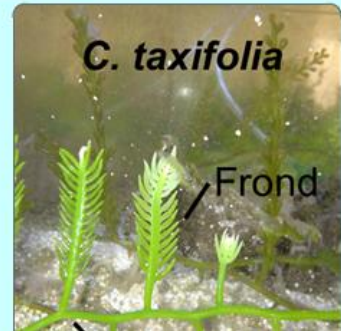
[Click here to report a sighting of *Caulerpa* in the wild or in a pet store.](#)

[Click here to learn how to identify *Caulerpa*.](#)

Thank you for your help. New infestations will most likely be detected by the SCUBA diving community. A map of surveys done for *Caulerpa* in California is available [here](#).

C. taxifolia

Frond



Caulerpa taxifolia
(Vahl) C. Agandh 2001



jediný výrazný nepřítel *Elysia subornata* – sap
sucking slug - hermaphrodite



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Caulerpa predators are being recruited to attack the invader. *Oxynoe* (left) has a partial shell to protect its reproductive organs and digestive glands, while *Elysia* (right) is shell-free. With each feeding on only 5 centimeters of frond per day, Meinesz estimates that efficient control would require more than 1,000 slugs per square meter of *Caulerpa*.



Chemical: Colonies of *C. taxifolia* that were discovered in Southern California were eradicated by covering and sealing them with PVC tarpaulins and injecting liquid chlorine underneath. Subsequent treatments at another location used solid chlorine formulations (Anderson & Keppner, 2001). Costs of the Southern Californian eradication were \$US2.33 million from 2000-01 for control and monitoring (Carlton, 2001), with an ongoing annual surveillance cost of \$US1.2 million until 2004 (Anderson, 2004).

Application of coarse sea salt at a concentration of $\sim 50\text{kg/m}^2$ has been used with moderate success in Australia, eradicating *C. taxifolia* from an area almost 5200 m^2 in one case, although in another case an area of 3000 m^2 showed a reduction in algal density but eradication was not achieved. The use of this method in the cooler months, when *C. taxifolia* naturally dies back, was recommended. Salting has so far only been successfully used on soft sediments in water $<6\text{m}$ in depth (Glasby *et. Al*, 2004).

Physical: Simply covering *C. taxifolia* colonies with black PVC plastic was found to be reasonably successful in Croatia. A total area of 512 m^2 was treated, with either no or sporadic regrowth occurring after treatment (McEnnulty *et. Al*, 2001).

Manual removal by scuba divers was successful in eradicating a small patch of *C. taxifolia*, around 3.4 m^2 , in the French Mediterranean. The use of a suction pump to remove all fragments has also met with moderate success in other areas. Clearance rates for manual removal are from $<1\text{ m}^2$ to $\sim 3\text{ m}^2$ per diver per hour (McEnnulty *et.al*, 2001).



ORIGINAL PAPER

A tale of two invaders: divergent spreading kinetics of the alien green algae *Caulerpa taxifolia* and *Caulerpa cylindracea*

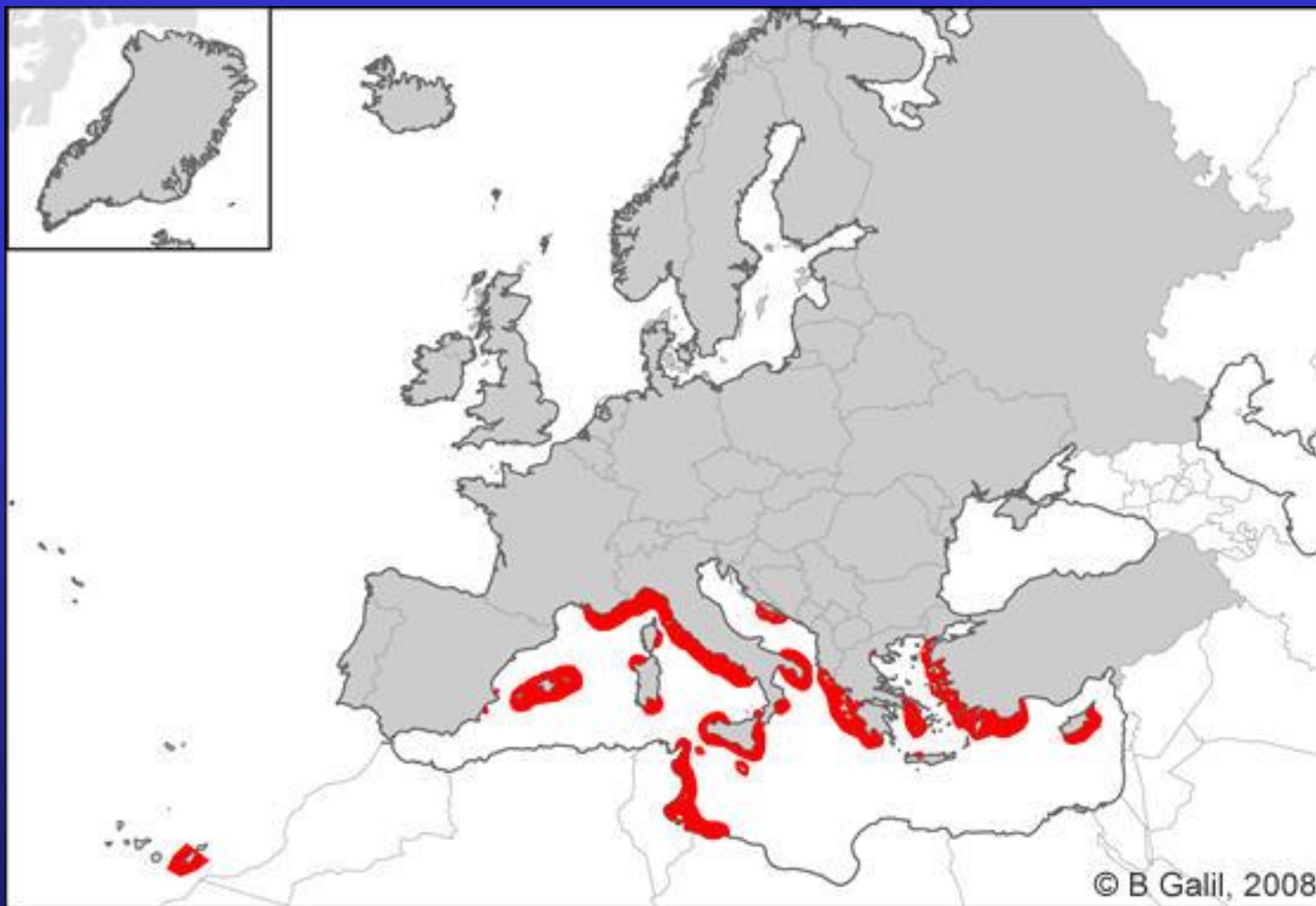
Monica Montefalcone · Carla Morri ·
Valeriano Parravicini ·
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impressive expansion
phase from 1984 to 2000 but then,
its dispersal
rate showed lower than that
predicted and the species
did not persist in areas formerly
colonized

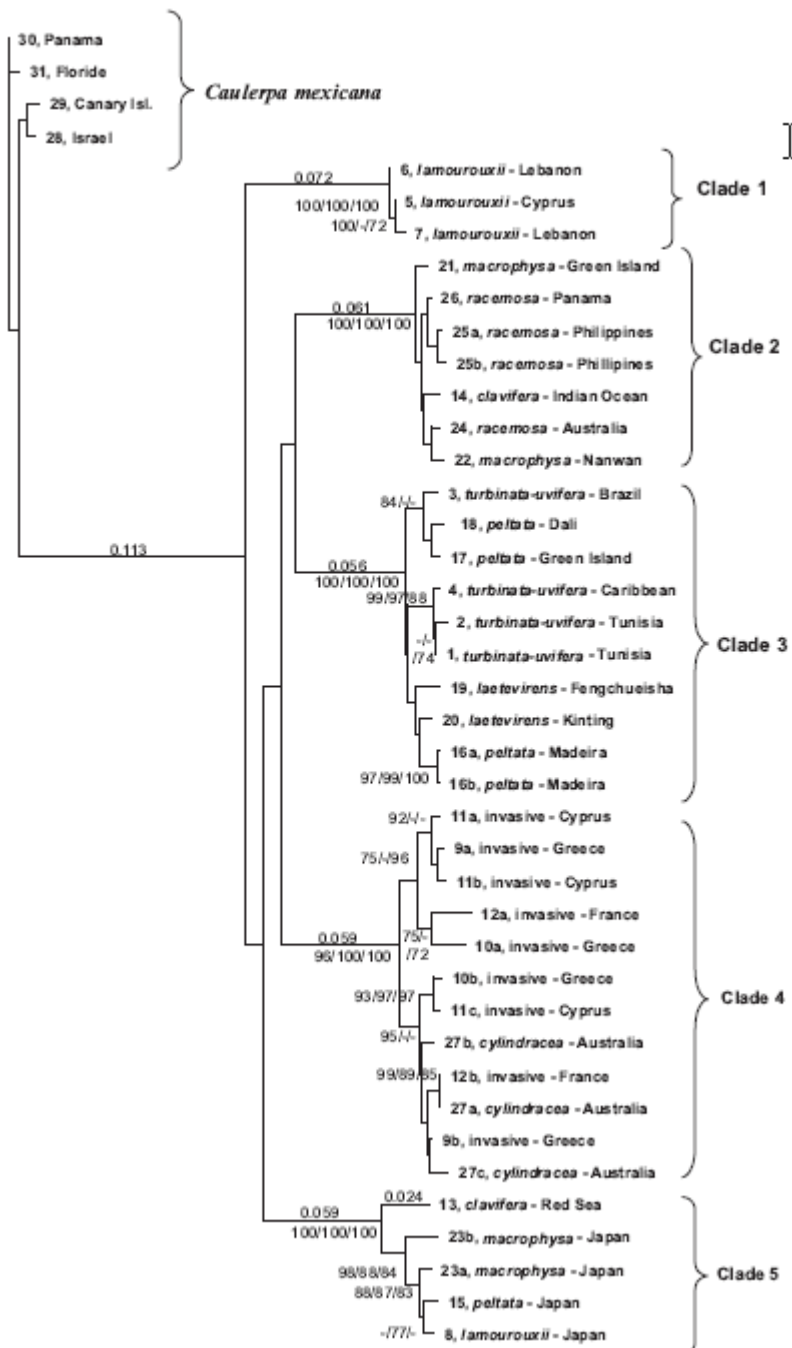
Invasion of *Caulerpa cylindracea*

first found in Libia
1990





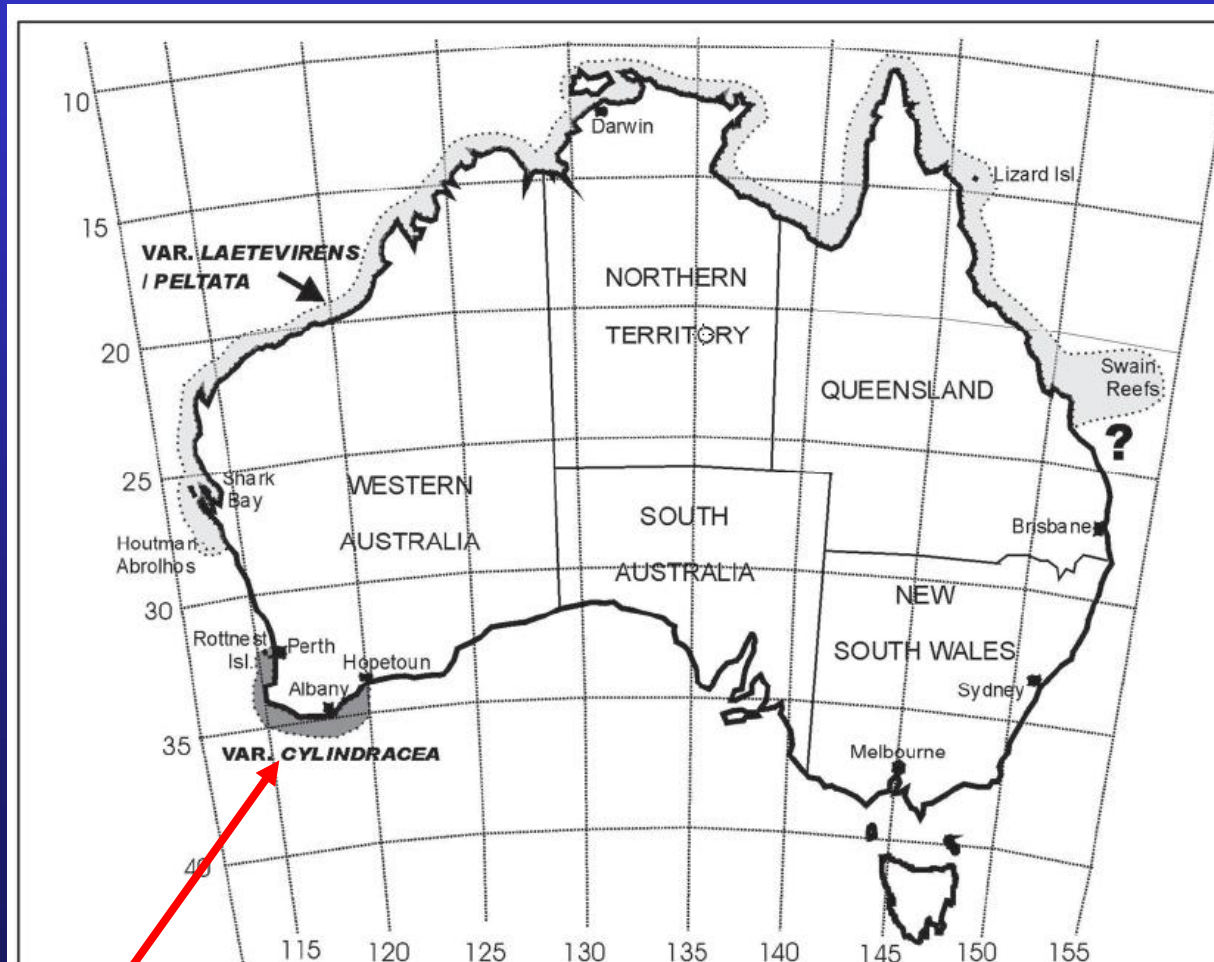
invazní druh - do r. 2002 11 států, všechny velké ostrovy, daleko rychlejší invaze než u *C. taxifolia*



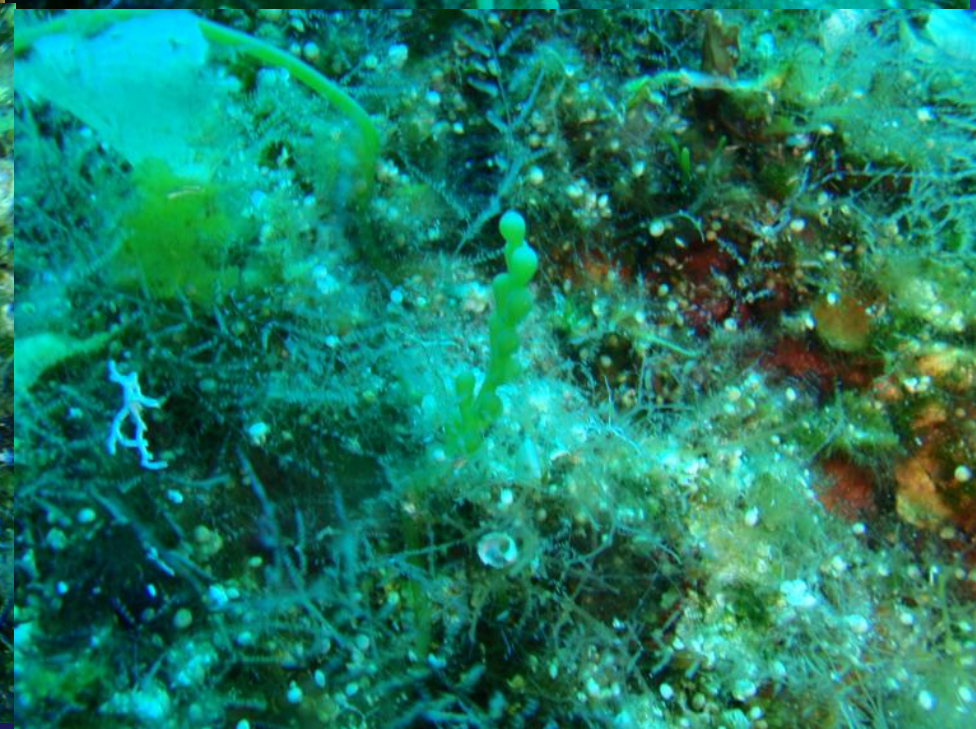
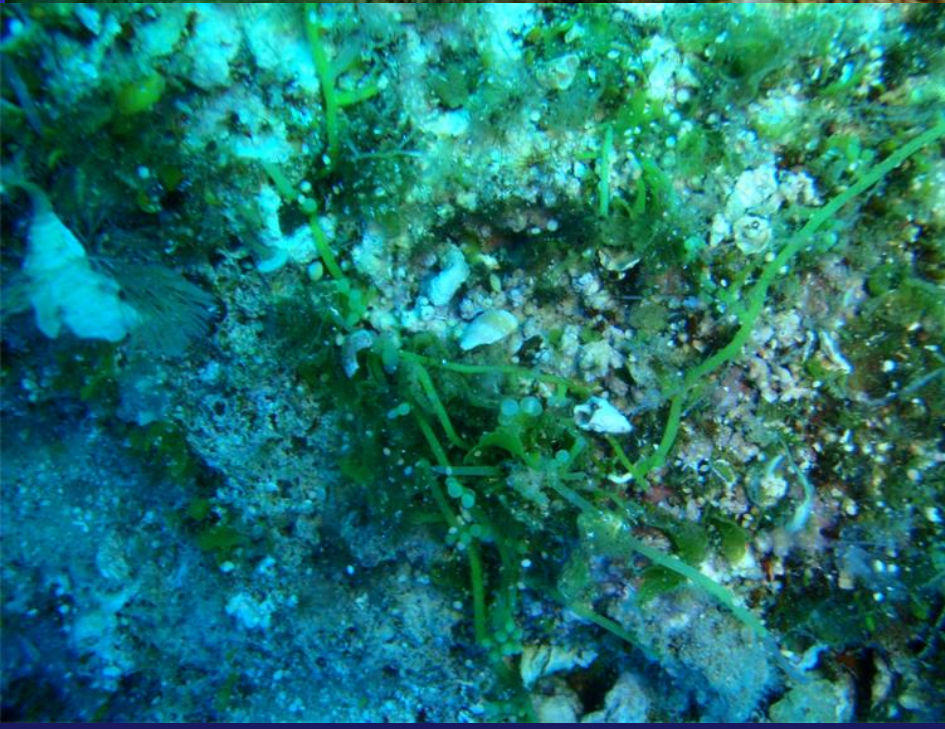
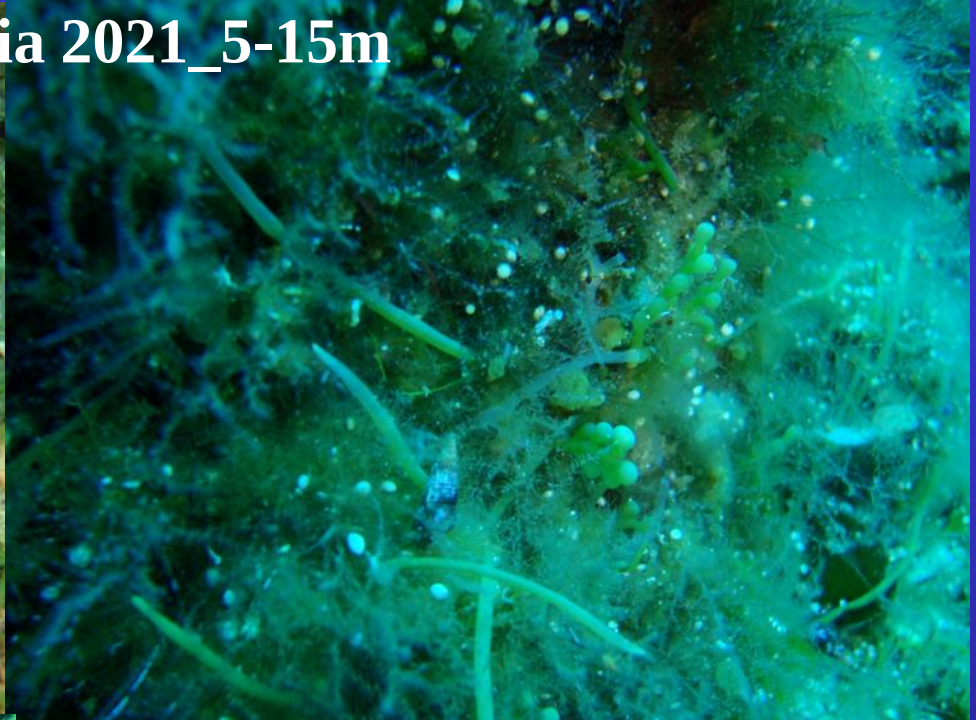
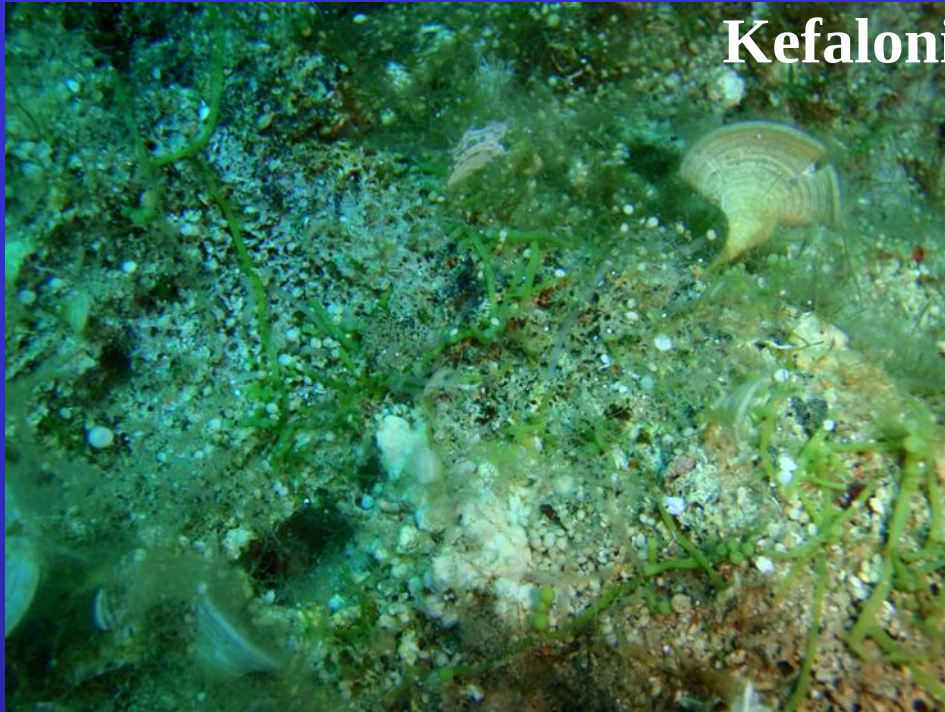
Neighbour-joining tree of ITS1, 5.8S and ITS2 sequences from a range of *Caulerpa racemosa* isolates, with *C. mexicana* as the outgroup.

NJ/MP/ML

invaze je výsledkem recentní introdukce, identifikovali „invazní varietu“ - totožná s *Caulerpa cylindracea* - endemit jihozápadní Austrálie



Kefalonia 2021_5-15m





Zambratia_Chorvatsko_2019
0.5 -1m

Caulerpa lentilifera

pěstována na Filipínách, v
Japonsku – písčito-bahnitá dna
mělkých chráněných zátok,
antibakteriální a antifungální
účinky (fukoidany) proti
vysokému tlaku a revmatismu

Lato



Umi-budō served Okinawan style



Lato, the strange sea salad Coron, Philippines

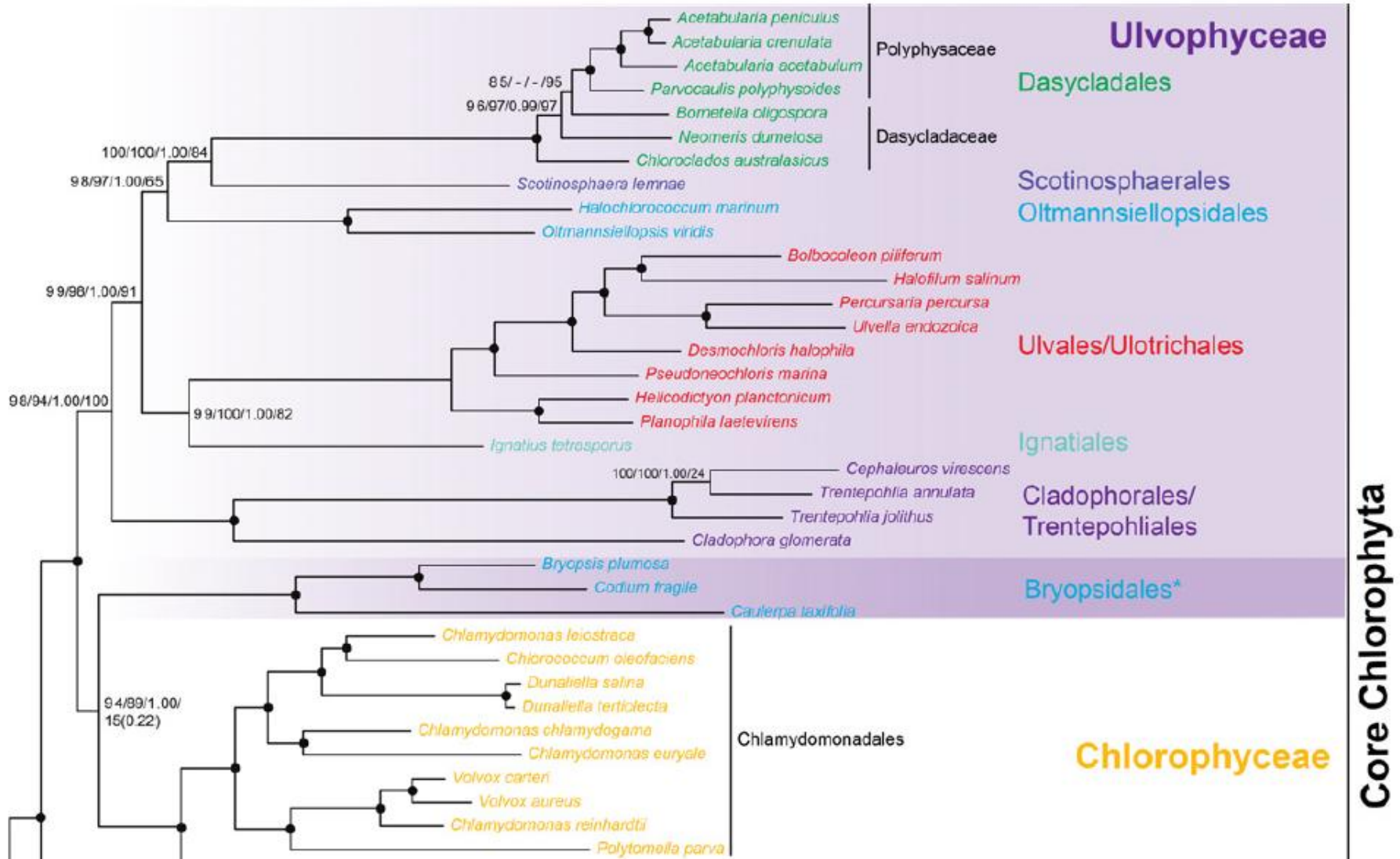
Coron, Filipíny - kmen Tagbanua se živí pěstováním a prodejem *C. lentilifera*



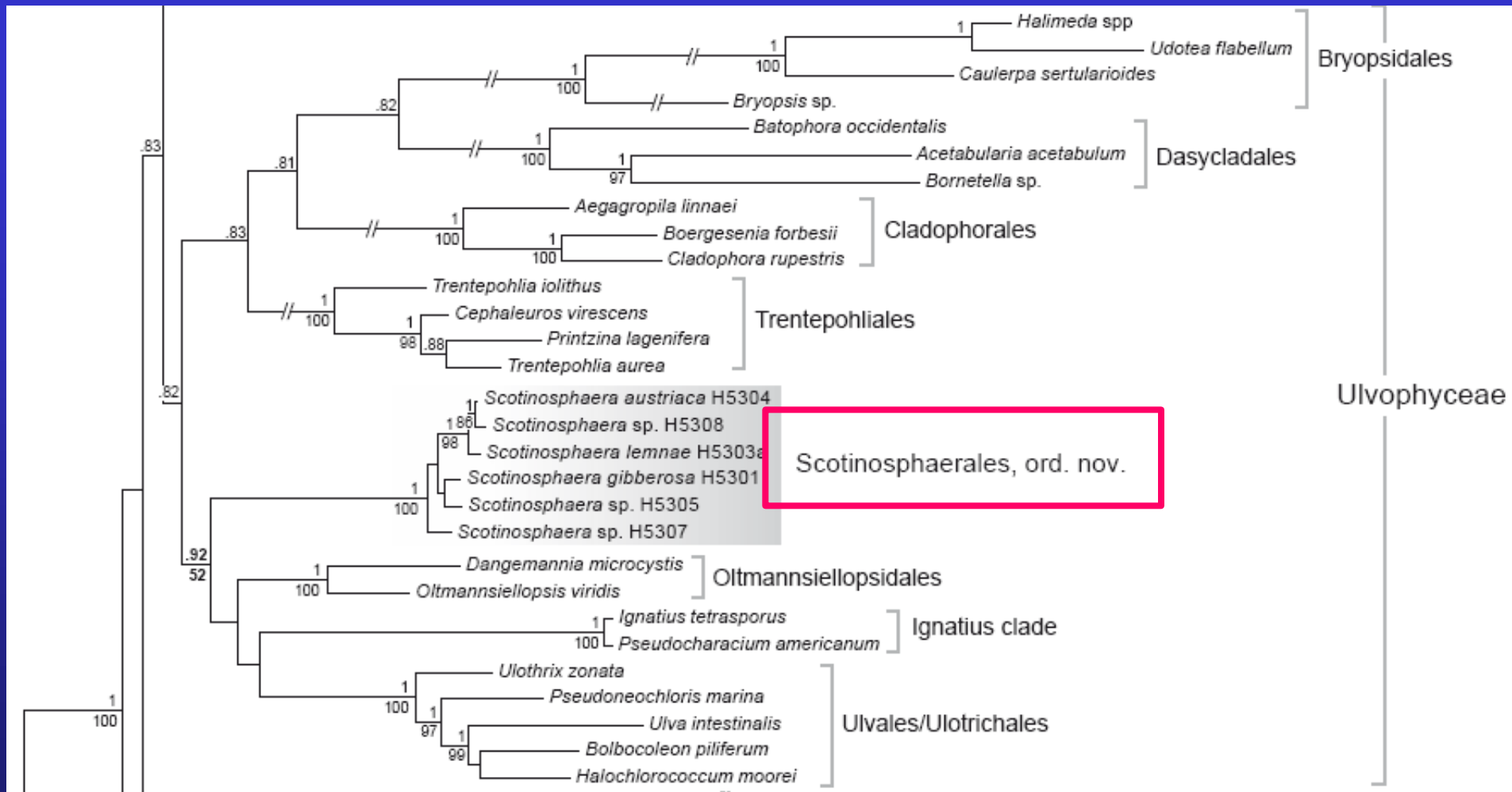
<http://www.lemanger.fr/en/index.php/lato-the-strange-sea-salad/?lang=en>



The big baskets will travel to Manila by cargo. There, their commercial value will increase dramatically. In Coron, the buyers get the lato from the Tagbanua for 8 pesos a kilo. In Puerto Princesa, the capital of the province of Palawan, the prices are already as high as 100 pesos a kilo. In Manila, it's even more.



Scotinosphaerales – sister l. to Dasycladales



Phylogeny of the Chlorophyta obtained by Bayesian inference of the concatenated SSU-rbcL alignment.

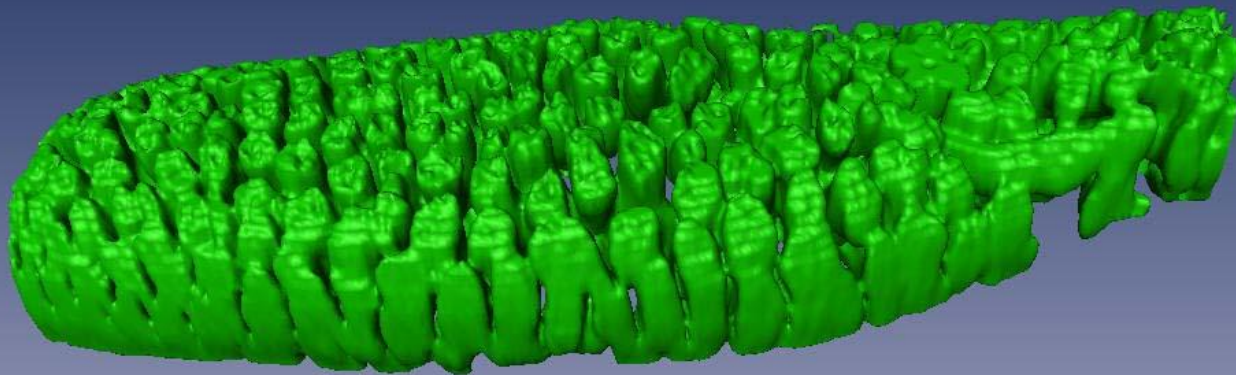
Škaloud et al. 2013

Scotinosphaerales



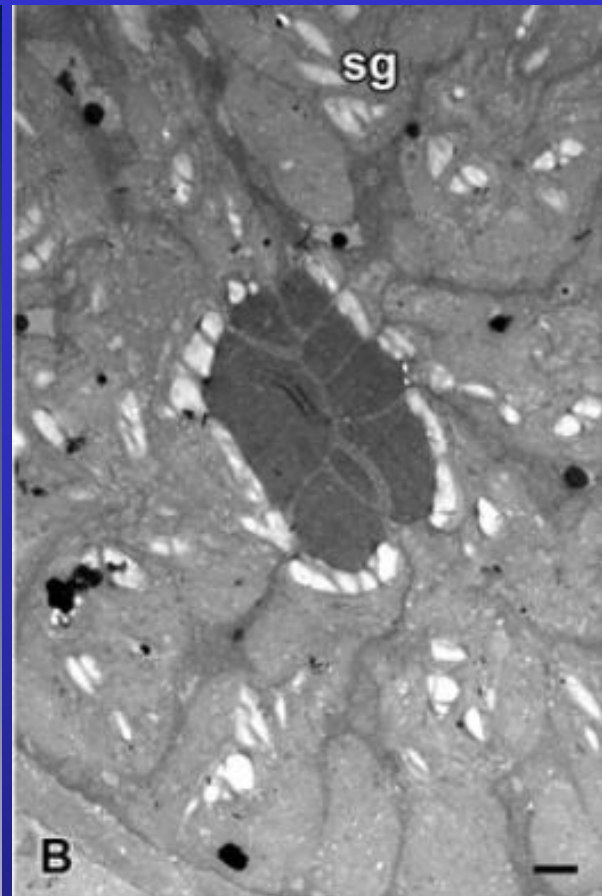
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Scotinosphaera - freshwater, soil



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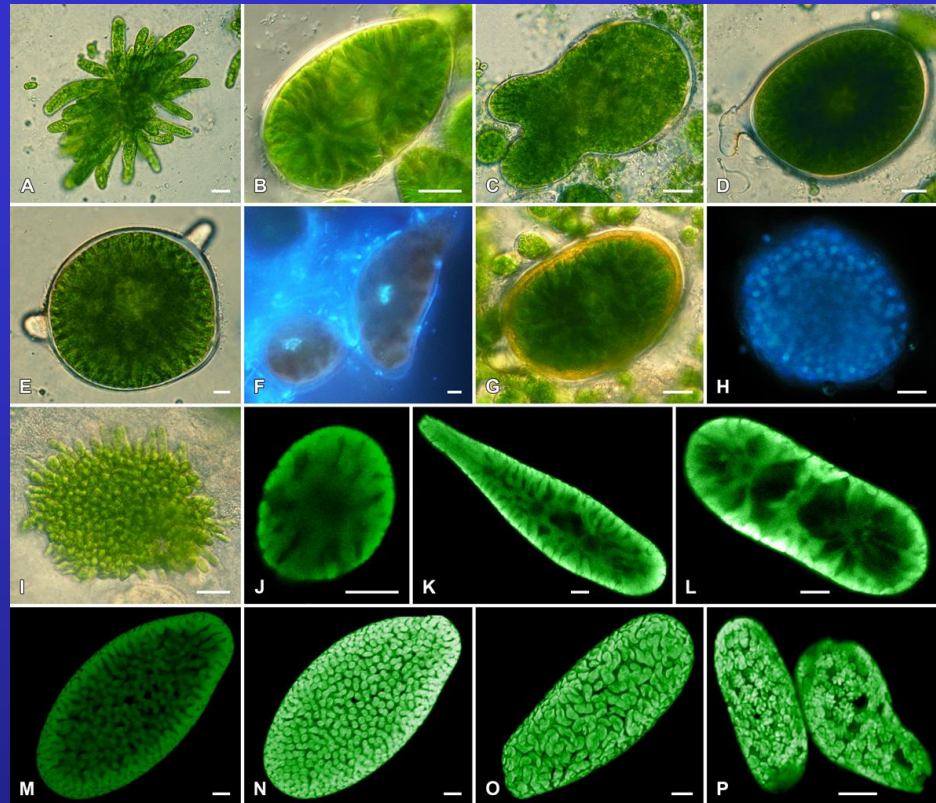
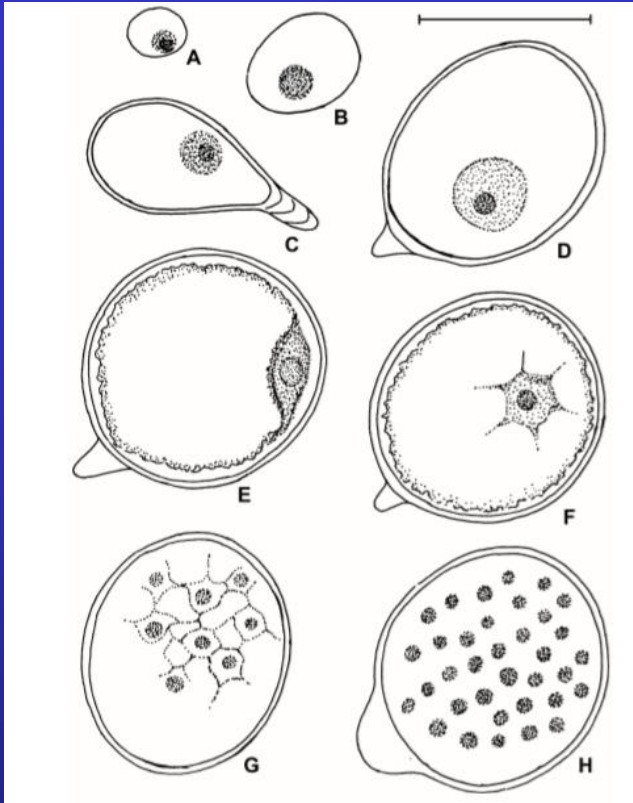
Scotinosphaera-plastid reconstruction



pyrenoid

large cells bearing local cell wall thickenings, pyrenoid matrix dissected by numerous anastomosing cytoplasmatic channels,

Simultaneous cytokinesis.

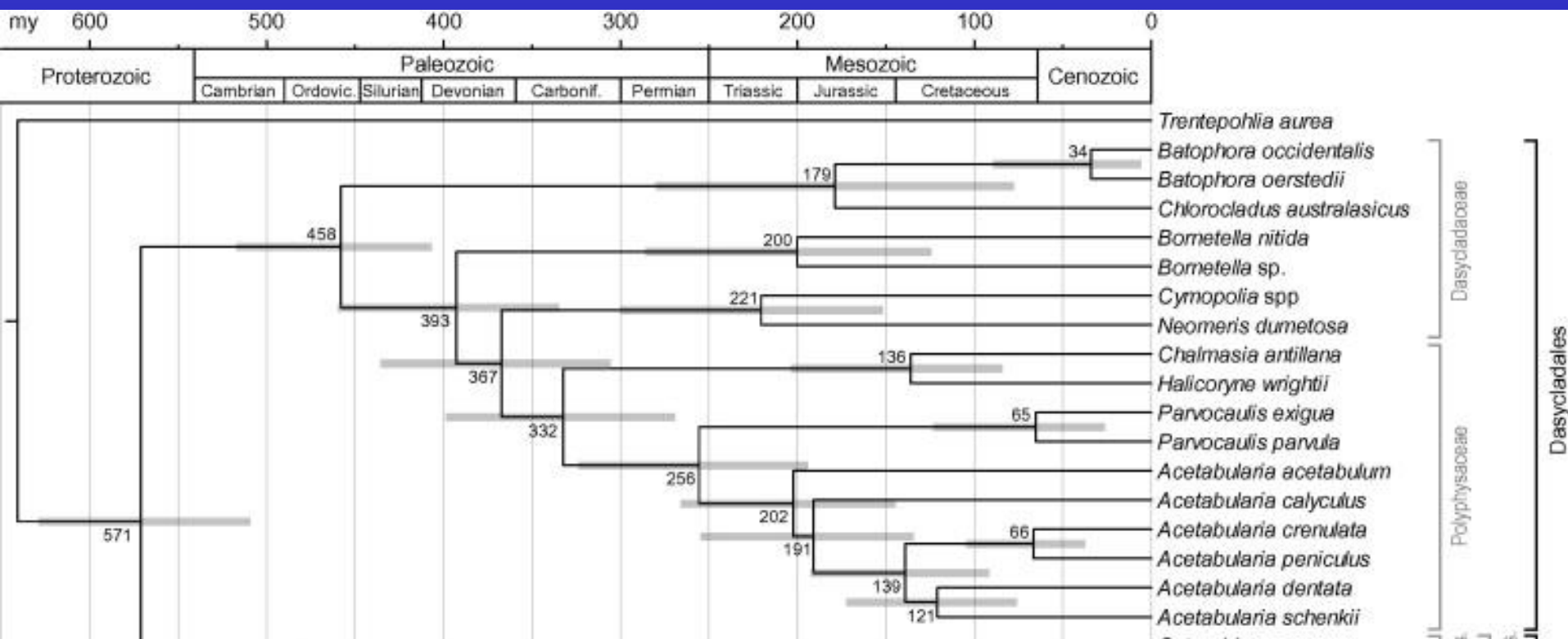


sporogenesis comprising the accumulation of secondary carotenoids in the cell periphery. Only asexual reproduction has been observed, which takes place by numerous biflagellate zoospores, arising from almost simultaneous cytokines

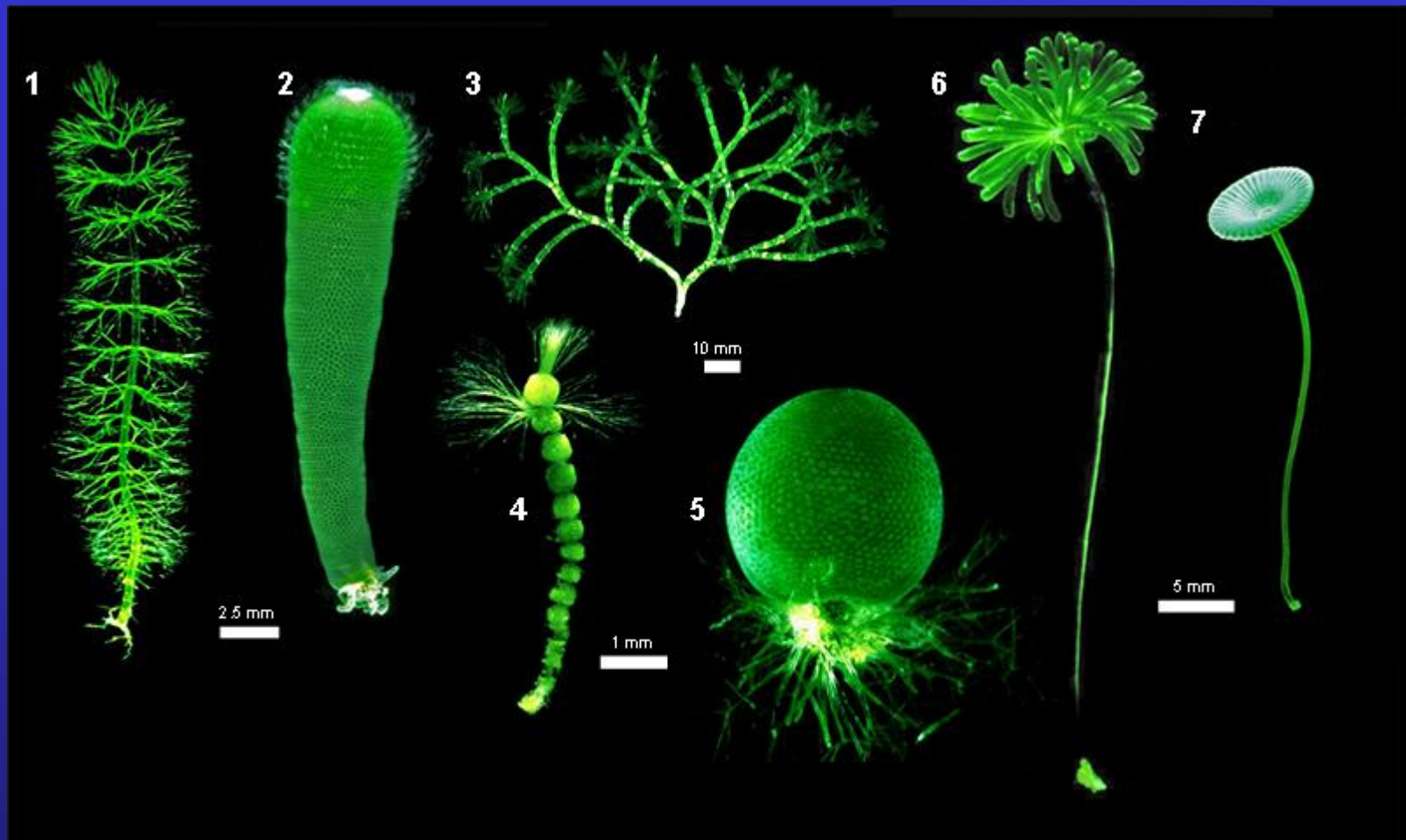
Dasycladales

Základní charakteristika:

- stélka vždy sifonální, většina zástupců inkrustována CaCO_3
- strukturní polysacharidy BS – β -1,4 mannany (celulóza dominantní složkou gametangiálních cyst)
- gamety 2 bičíky, CCW orientace bičíkových bazí,
- mitóza uzavřená, perzistující telofázové vřeténko, jádro v telofázi – činkovitý tvar; mitóza acentrická
- četné chloroplasty v nástěnné vrstvě cytoplasmy, bez pyrenoidu, obsahují zrna fruktanu, zásobní polysacharidy i v cytoplasmě
- proudění cytoplasmy v podélné ose stélky, proudem cytoplasmy unášena jádra a chloroplasty
- haplontní životní cyklus (haploidní gametofyt, mikroskopická zygota s obrovským diploidním jádrem), izogamie



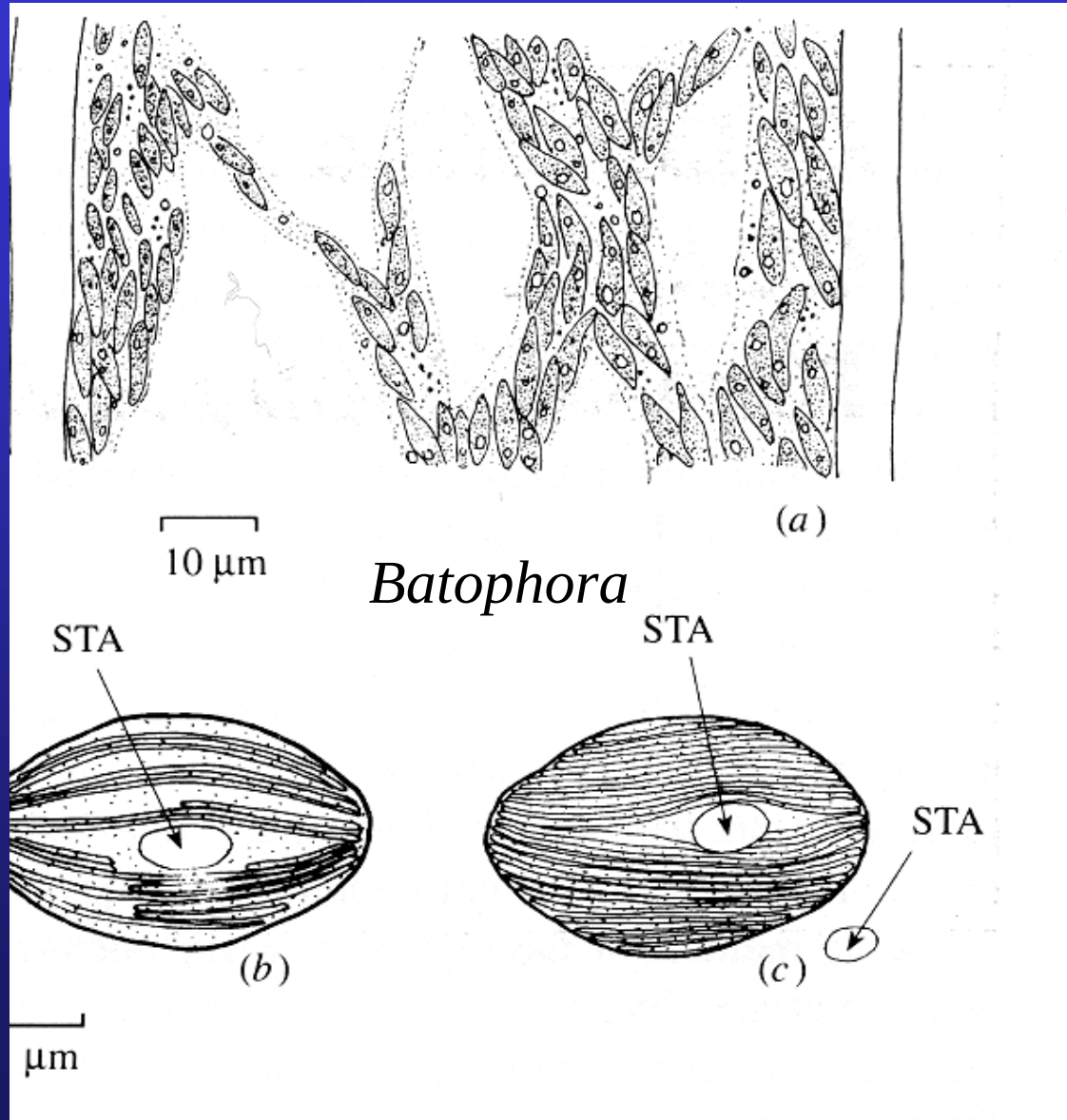
Verbruggen et al. 2009



700 druhů z fosil. záznamů (nejbohatší flora během Ordoviku (480-423 mil. let) a Siluru (423-416), diverzita klesá během Devonu (416-359)– ve prospěch kalcifikovaných druhů – selekce na rezistenci vůči herbivorům), dnes 37 druhů

Chloroplasts

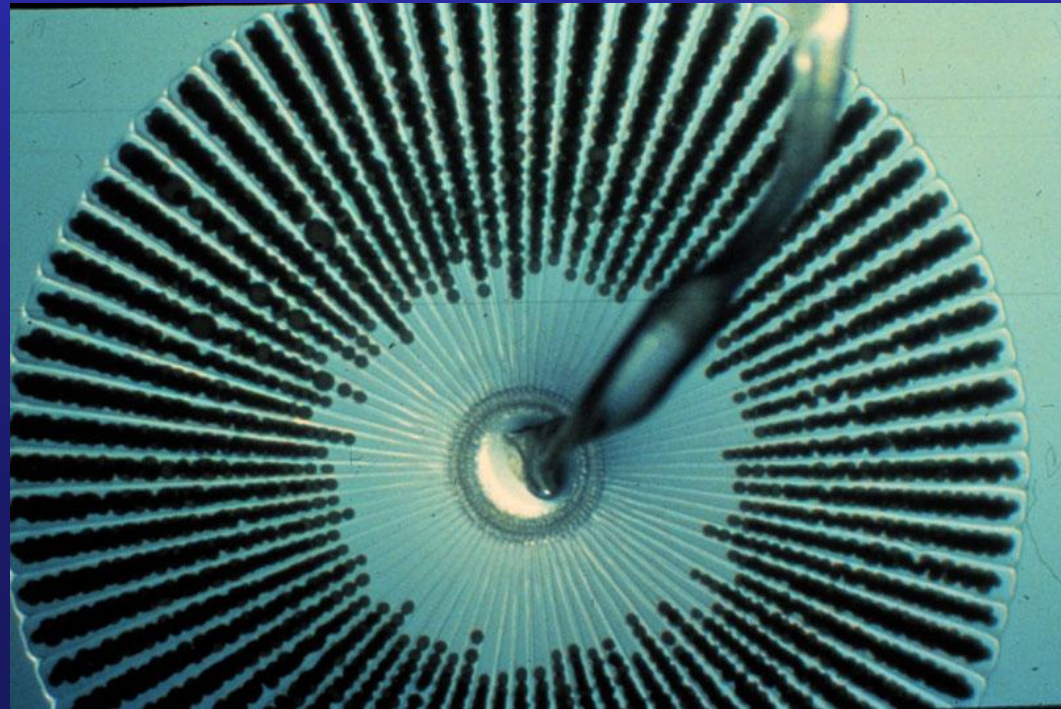
Chloroplast
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Acetabularia

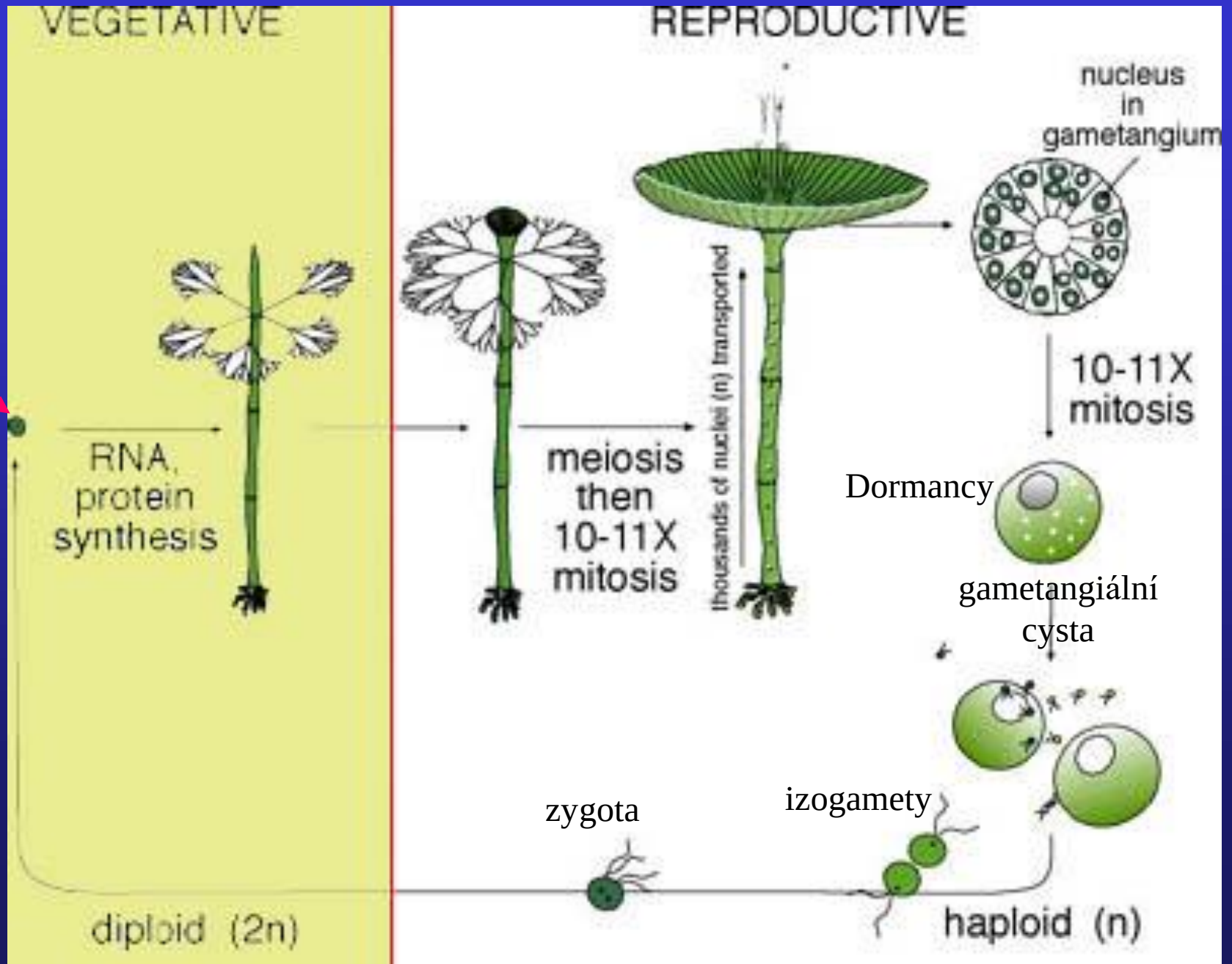
mermaid's wine glass

Acetabularia mediterranea displays two circadian rhythms: (a) in photosynthetic capacity and (b) in chloroplast shape



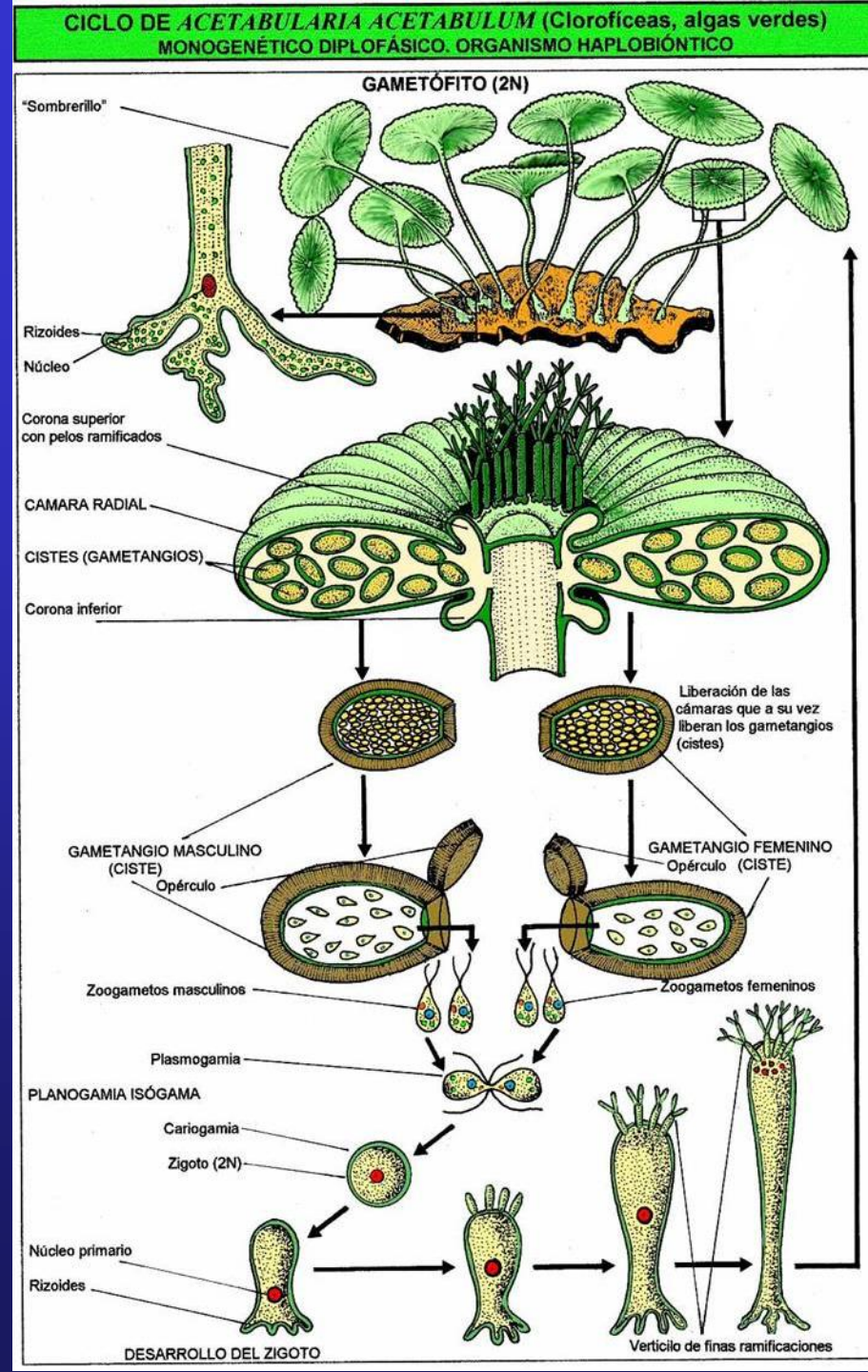


Acetabularia



Acetabularia

whorls of hairs



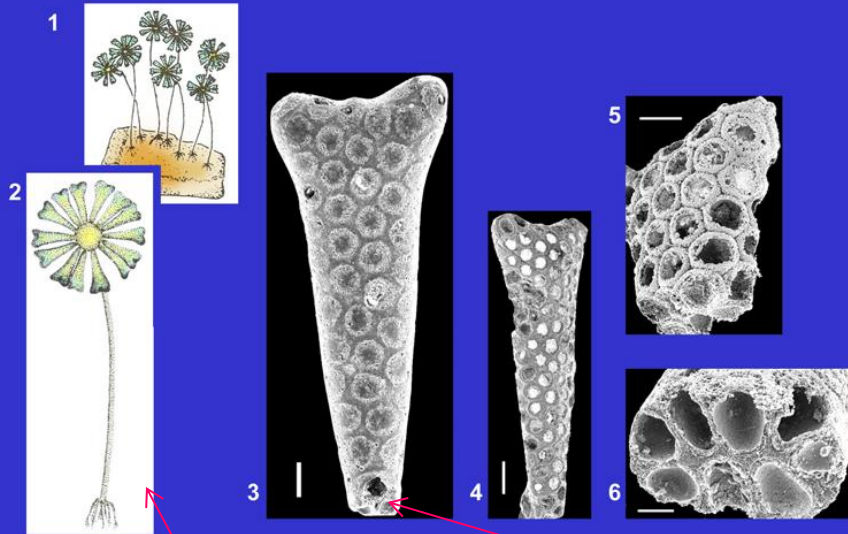
Cenozoic Dasycladales (Eocene) Eocene 47.8- 41.2 Ma

discovered in the Cenozoic strata of the French sedimentary basins

http://paleopolis.rediris.es/cg/CG2009_SP01/

Acicularia cornigera L. & J. MORELLET, 1922

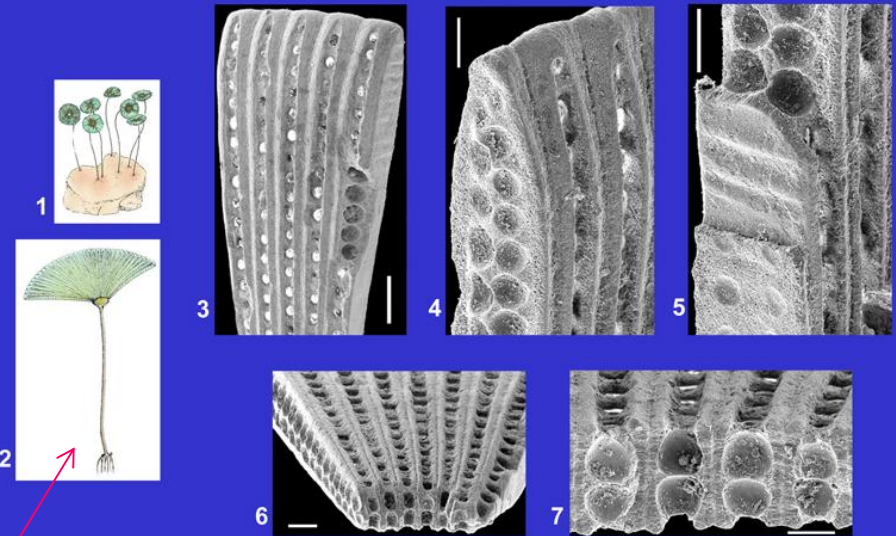
Acicularia costulata GÉNOT, 1987



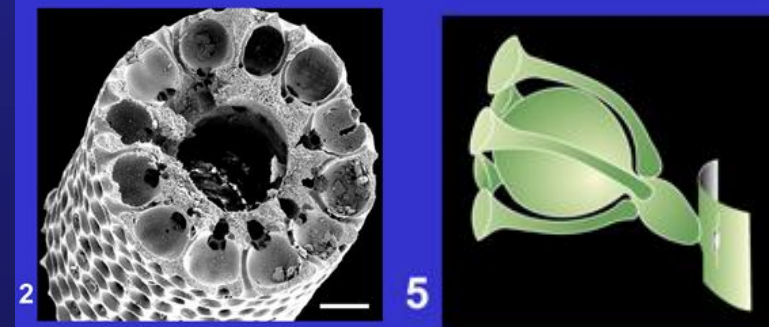
External view of a gametophore

Reconstruction of a living representative

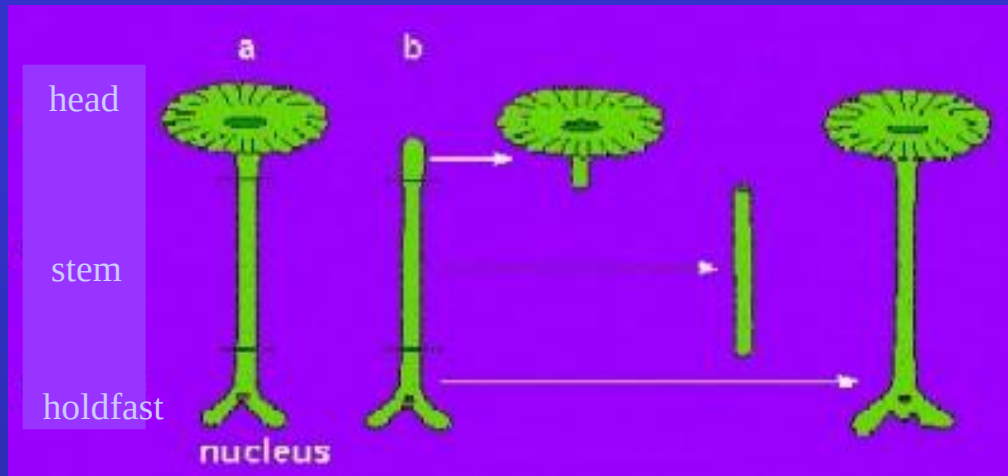
genus *Acetabularia* first appeared
about 38 million years ago



Cymopolia turgescens GÉNOT, 1987

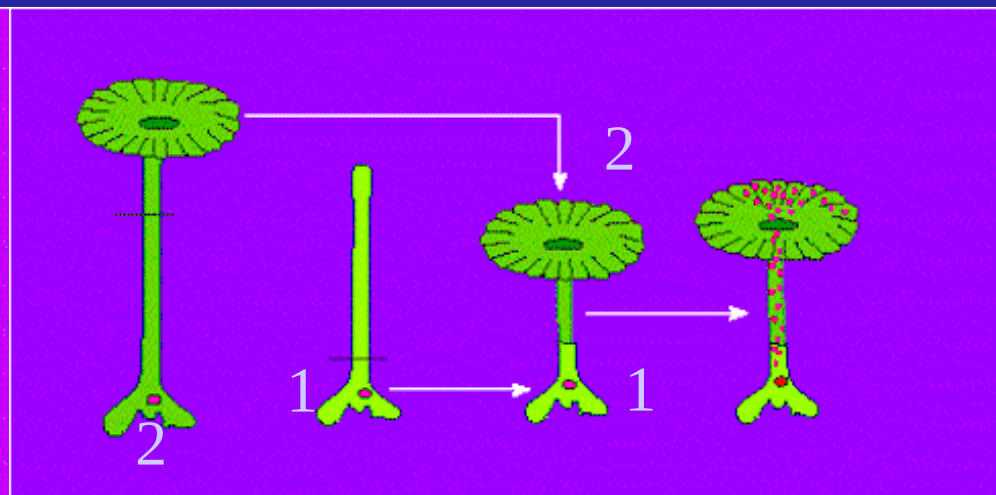
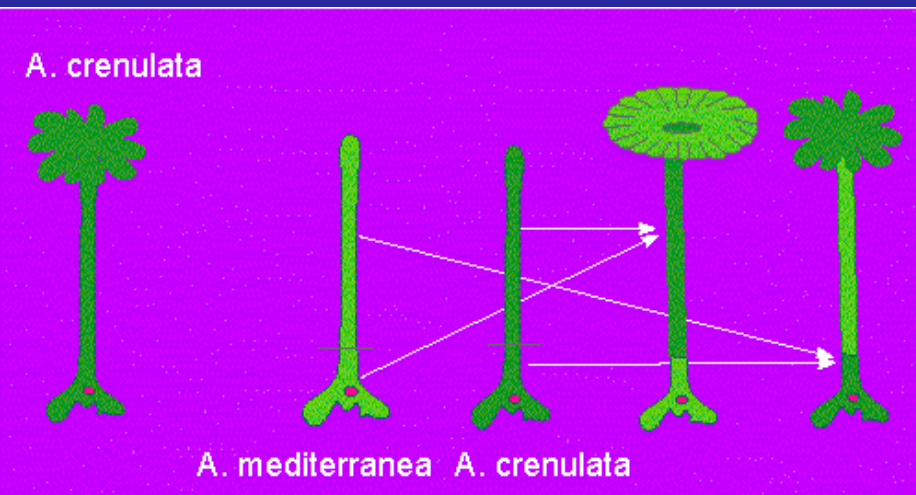


Hämmerlings reconstruction experiments in the 1930's



Regeneration of the head only occurs in the section carrying the nucleus --> thallus regeneration is under the control of the nucleus

Morphology of the head: stems of two different species with different head morphology are plugged on nucleus-carrying holdfast of two species; the new head corresponds to the species of the nucleus --> head morphology is controlled by the nucleus



Gamete production: stem and head of species 2 are plugged on holdfast of species 1; micronuclei and gametes are formed within the new (species 2) head by the nucleus of species 1



shallow tropic lagunes

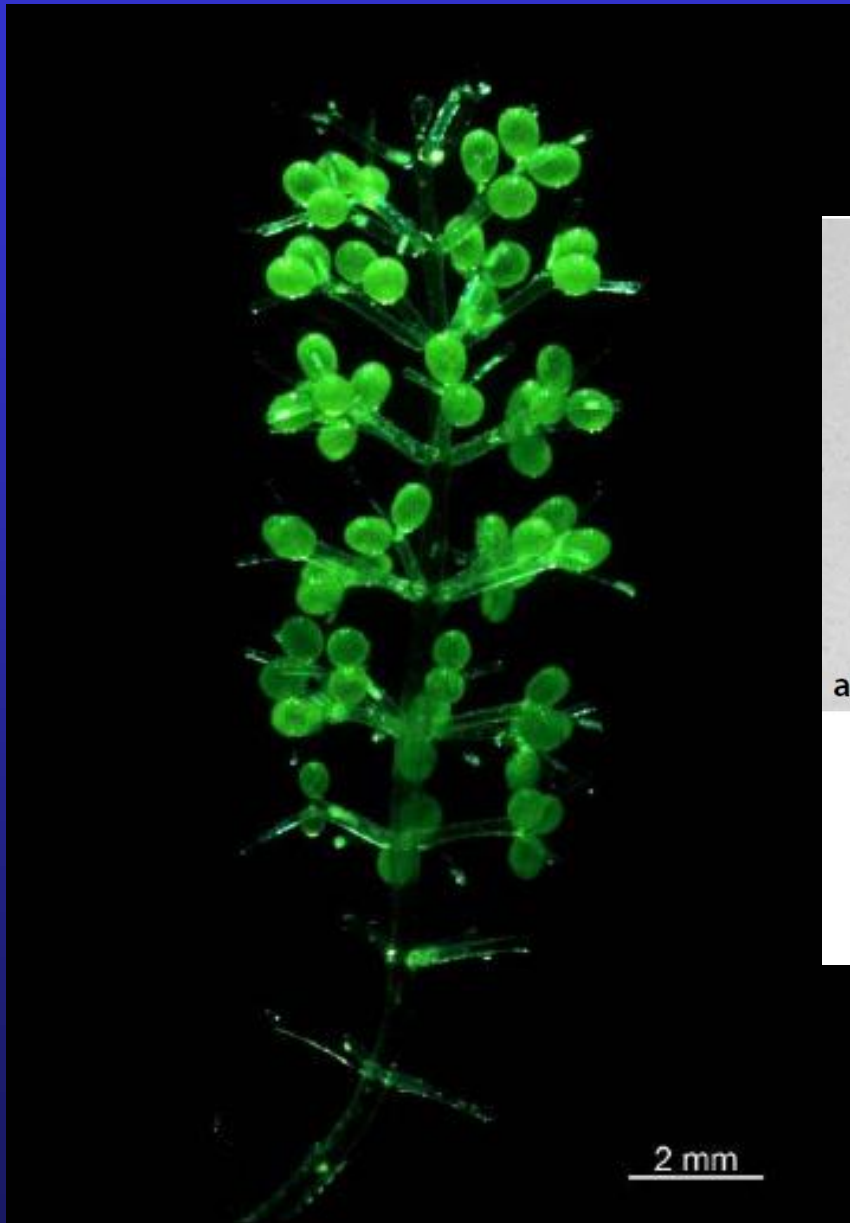
Batophora

many whorls of repeatedly branched laterals.
Gametangia at nodes of the laterals. Thalli are
not calcified. Shallow lagoones. More tolerant
to salinity changes.

3-10 cm



Batophora



upper part of a gametophore-bearing cell

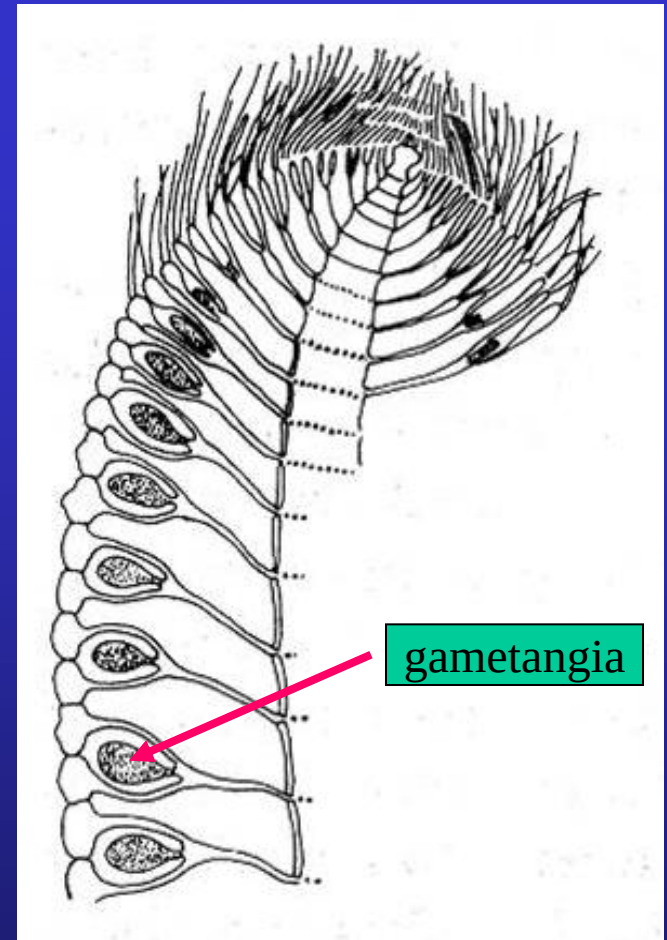


Neomeris



Vertikální osa končí chomáčem světle zelených vlasovitých výběžků. Stélka silně inkrustována

0,5-2,5 cm



Podélný řez vrcholem stélky

Photo-Atlas of living Dasycladales S. Berger, 2006

http://paleopolis.rediris.es/cg/CG2006_BOOK_02/#top

Neomeris

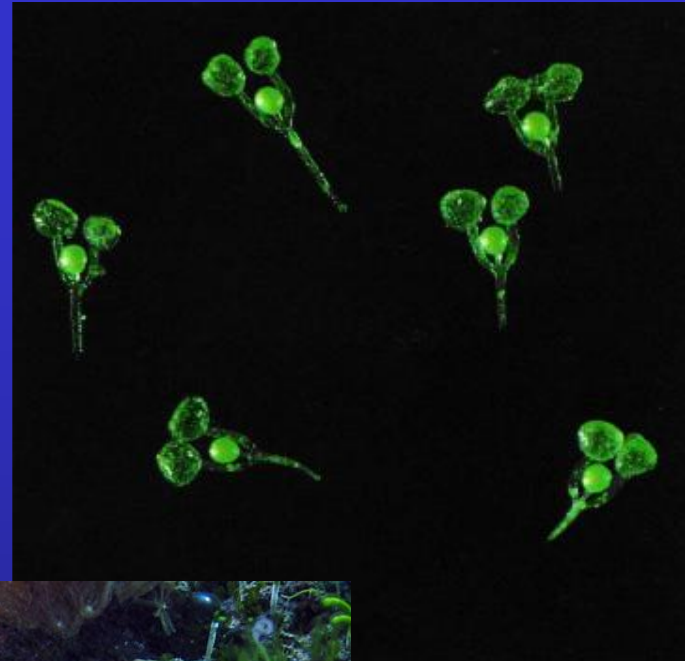


young cells



three cells

Neomeris



isolated laterals
with
gametophores

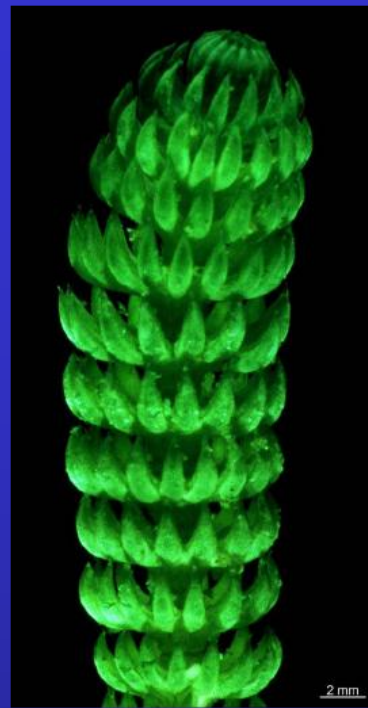
mature cell as it appears in its natural habitat

Halicoryne



Halicoryne wrightii

Dense coverage of
Halicoryne spicata



upper part of a
cell with
gametangia





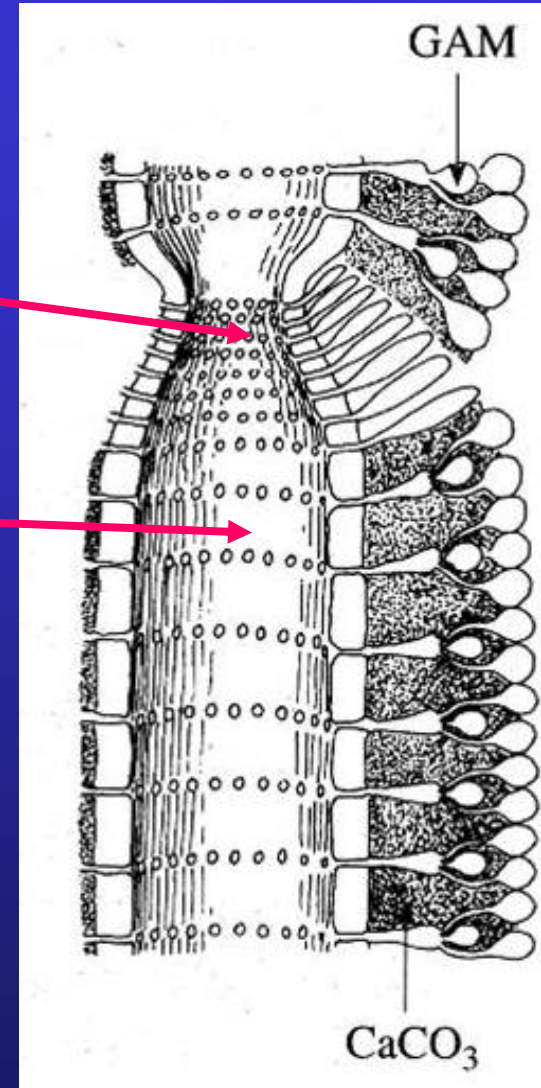
Cymopolia (Roman mythology – daughter of Neptune)



internodium

nodus

thalli have repeatedly branched construction. Branching occurs in a single plane. Calcified segments vs. uncalcified joints



Cymopolia

Cymopolia van-bosseae



C. barbata



longitudinal section

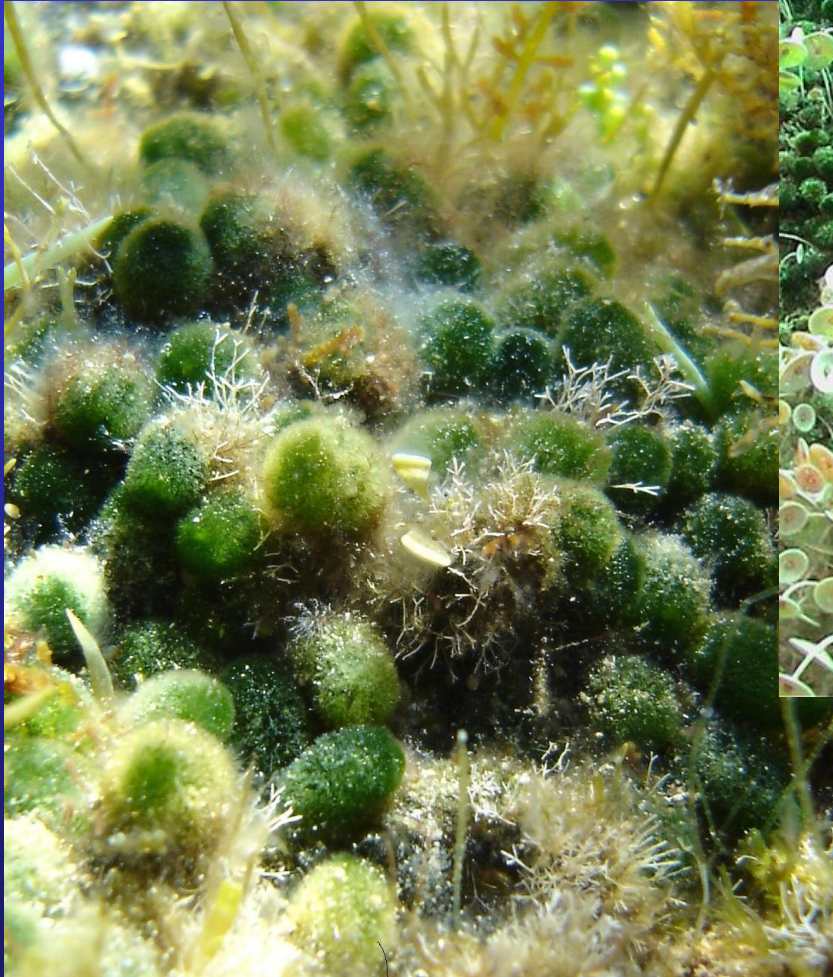
cross section



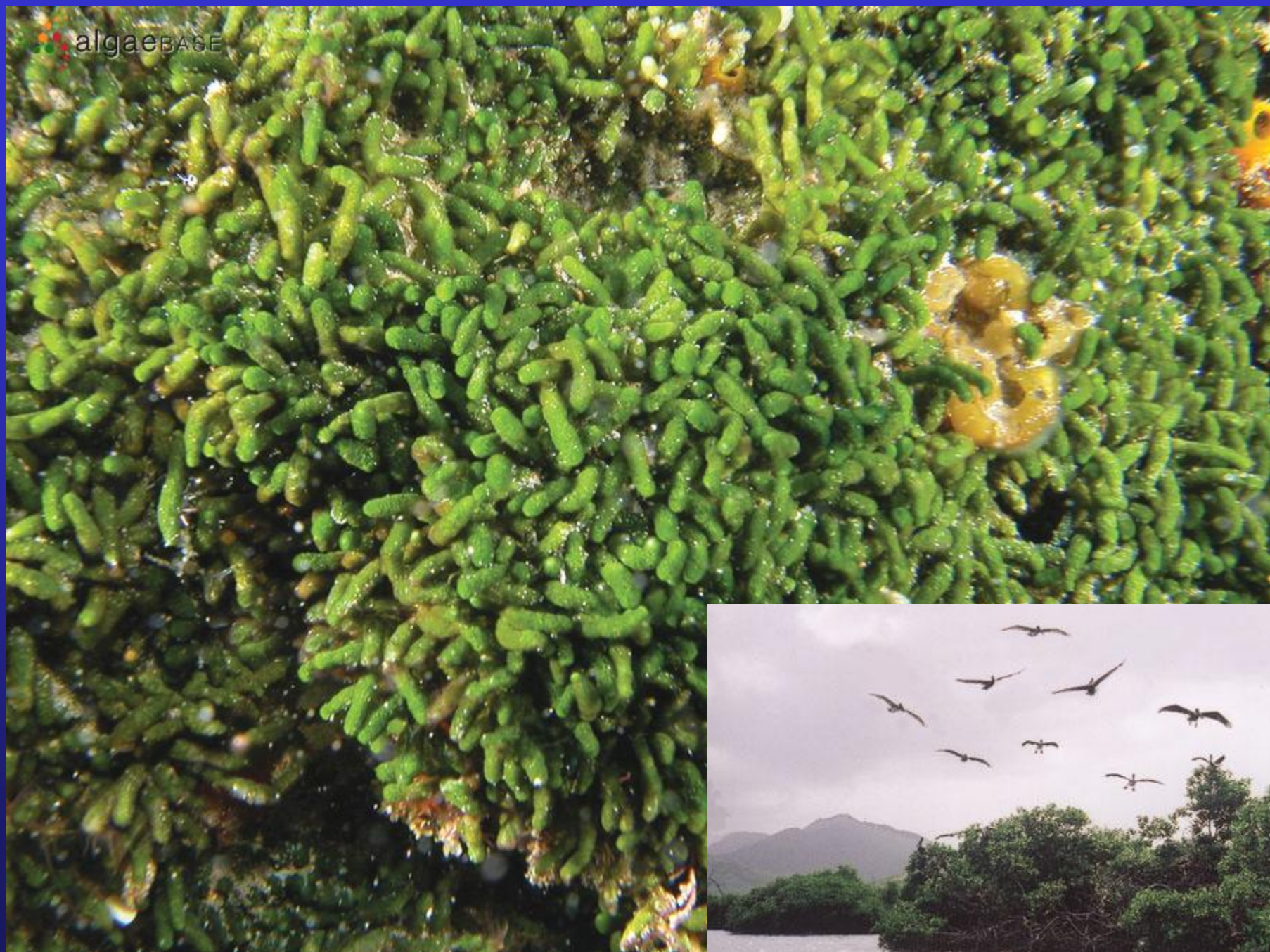


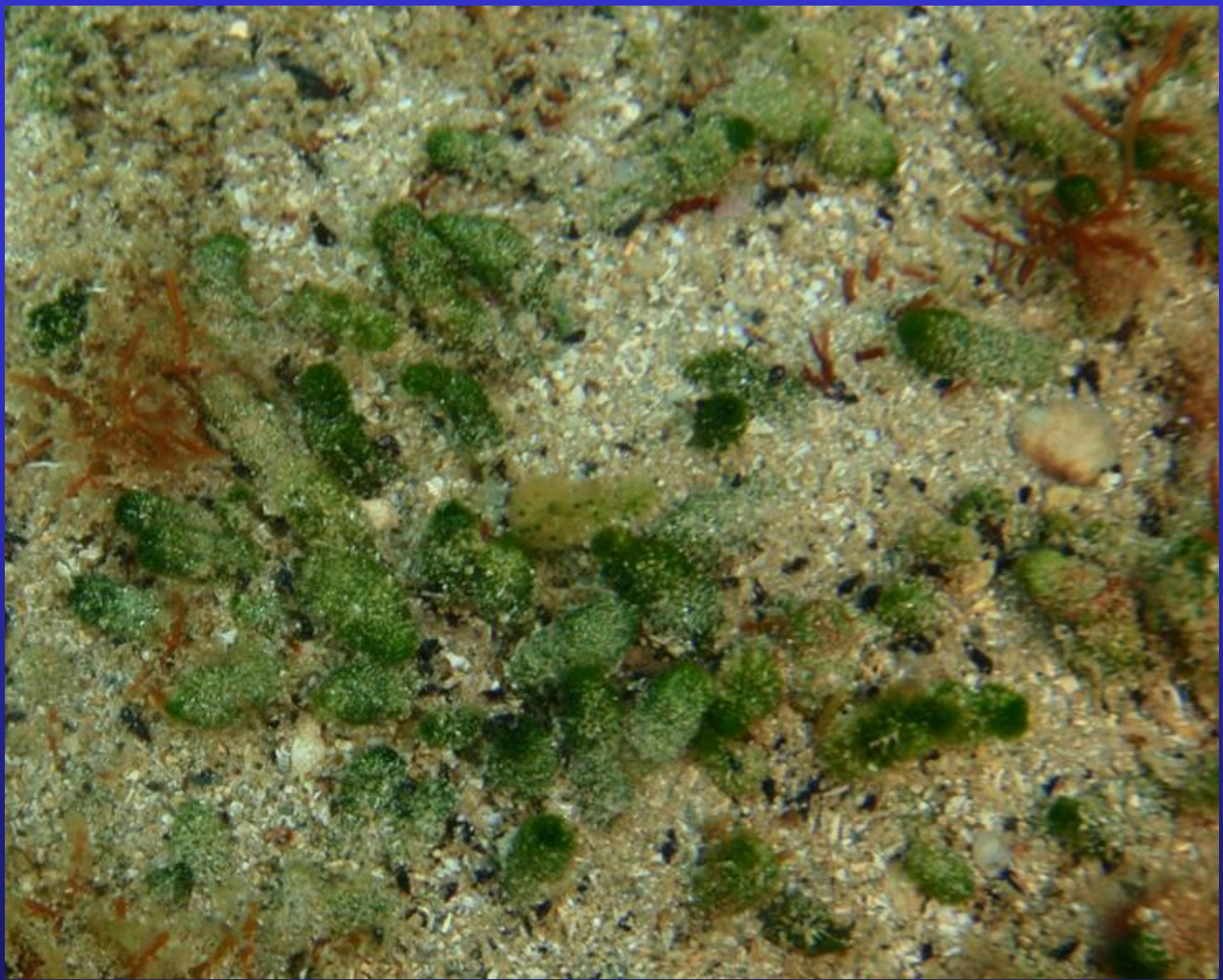
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Dasycladus



Dasycladus
Acetabularia





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Dasycladus Kefalonia_2021

tropické a subtropické opblasti jižní polokoule, Forms colonies on rocks or dead coral branches in lower intertidal areas, sometimes exposed during low tide



Bornetella sphaerica



Bornetella nitida

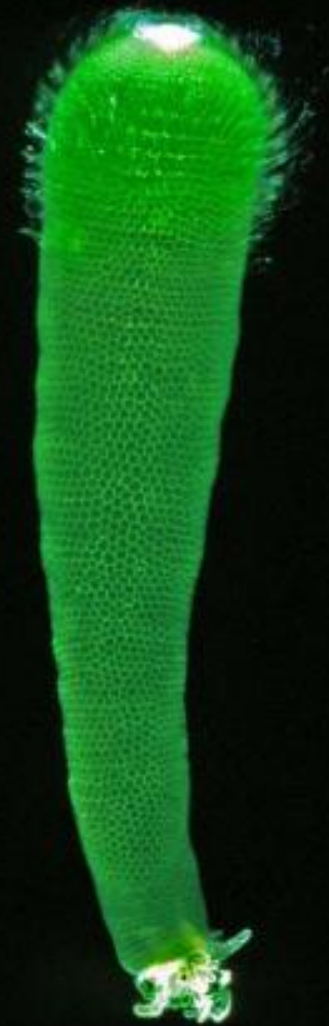


1 mm

Bornetella oligospora

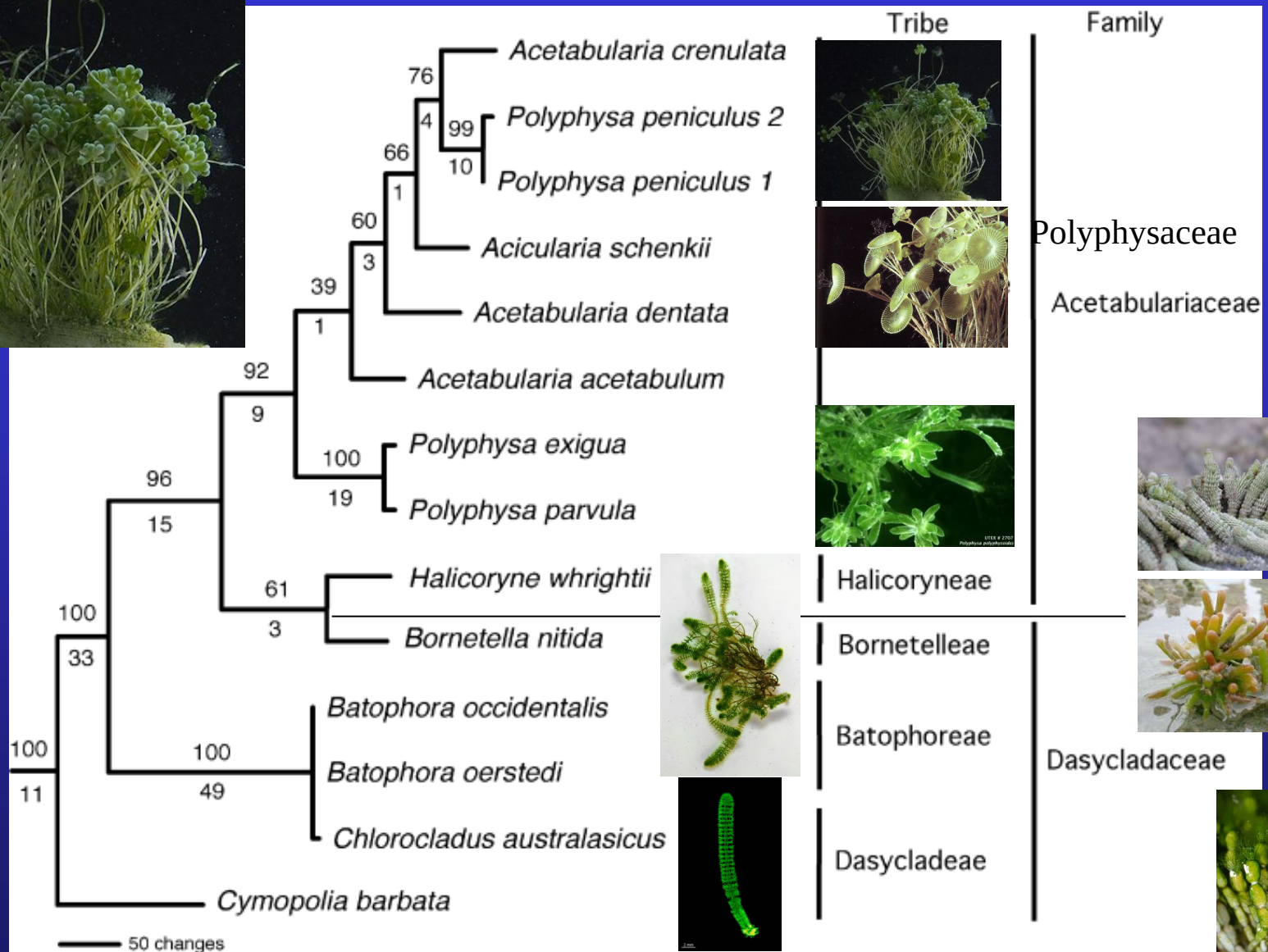
young cell

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3 mm

immature cell



One of two most parsimonious trees from unweighted MP analysis of *rbcL* sequence data (Zechman, 2003)