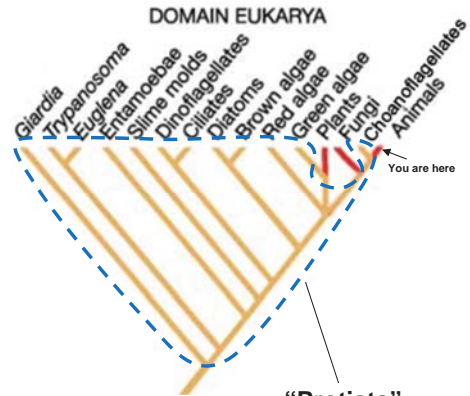
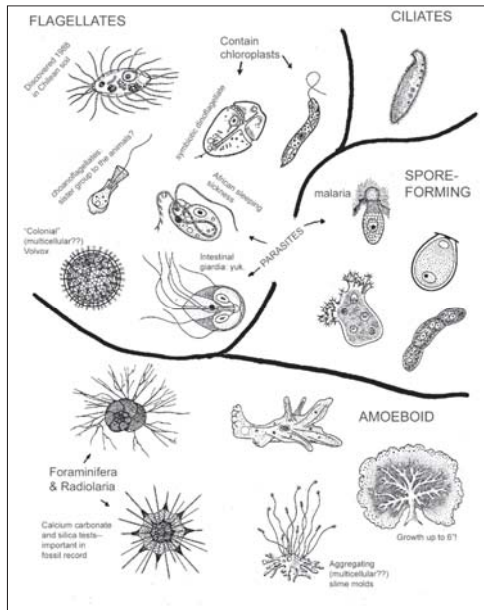


# Where did animals come from?



**"Protista"**  
(single-celled eukaryotes  
--a paraphyletic mess)

**"Protozoa"** = "animal-like" protists  
Diverse "body plans"



# What key traits did they inherit from their single-celled ancestors?

- nutrition
- volume regulation
- movement

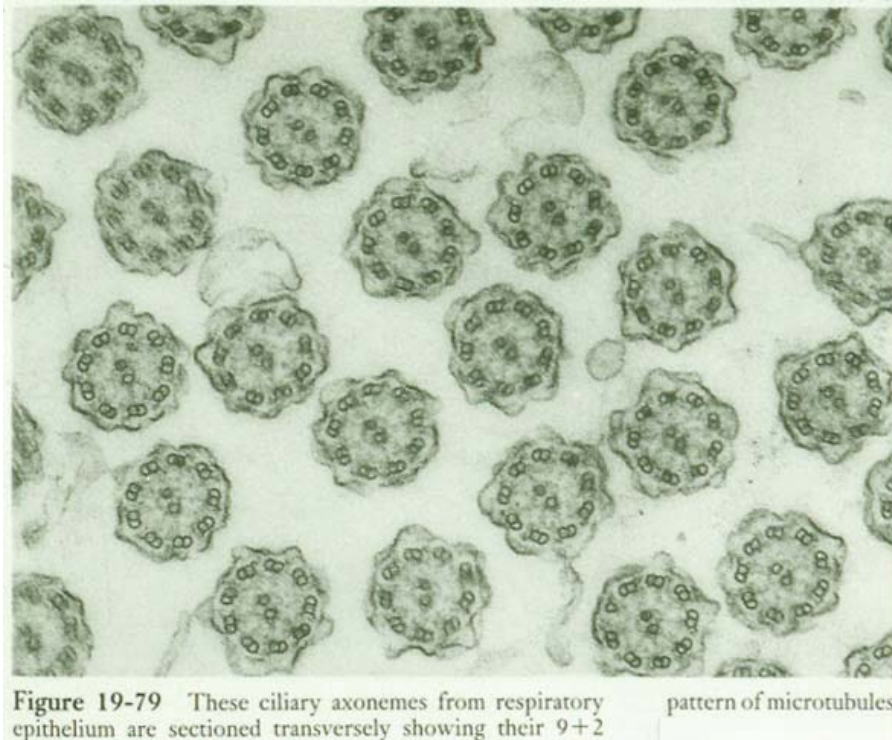
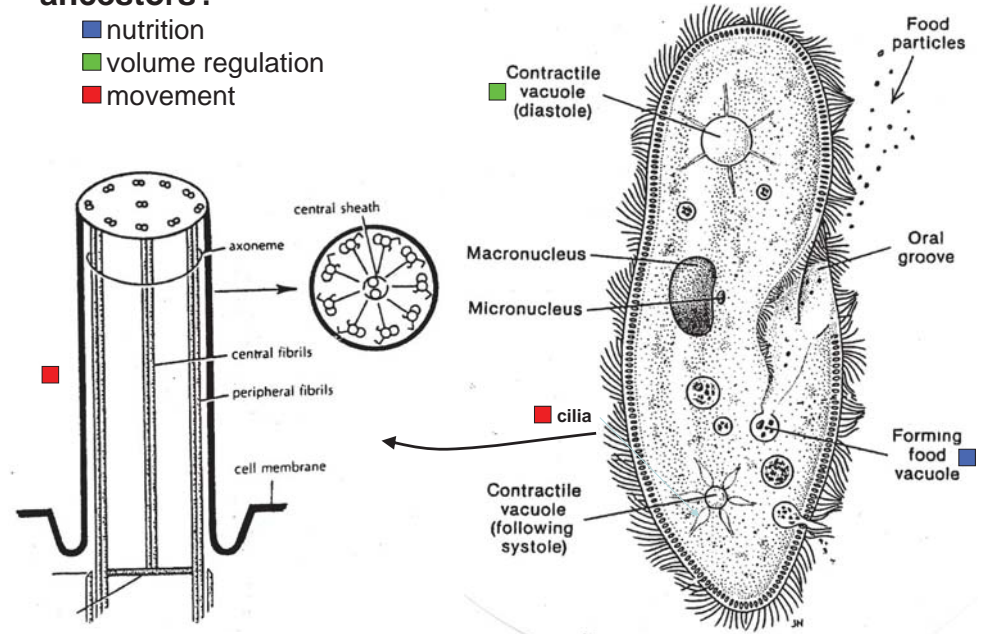
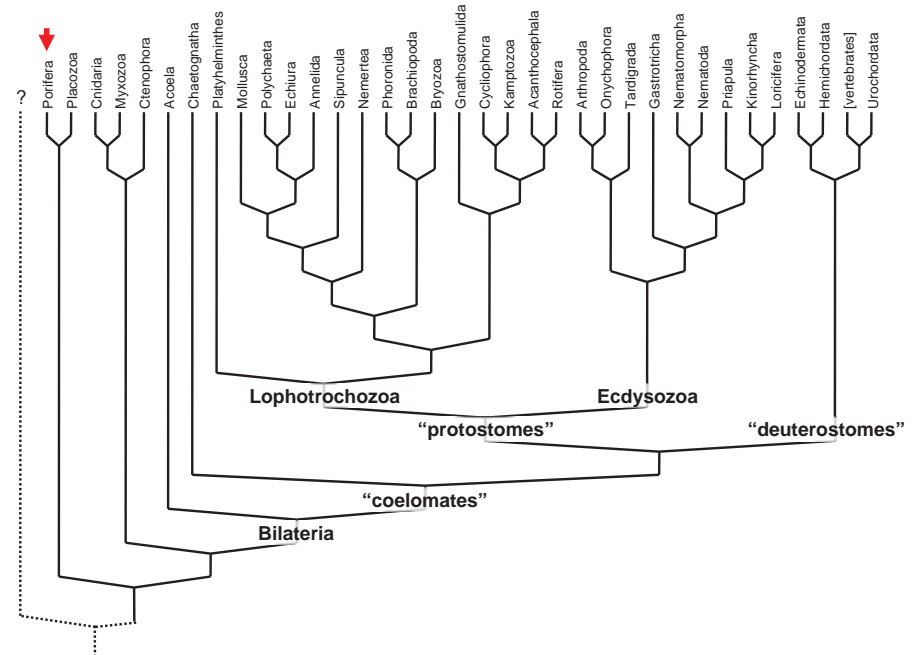
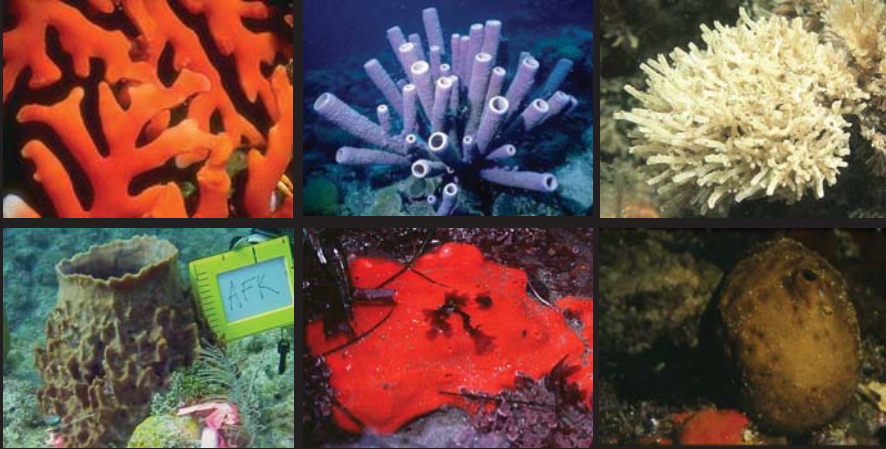


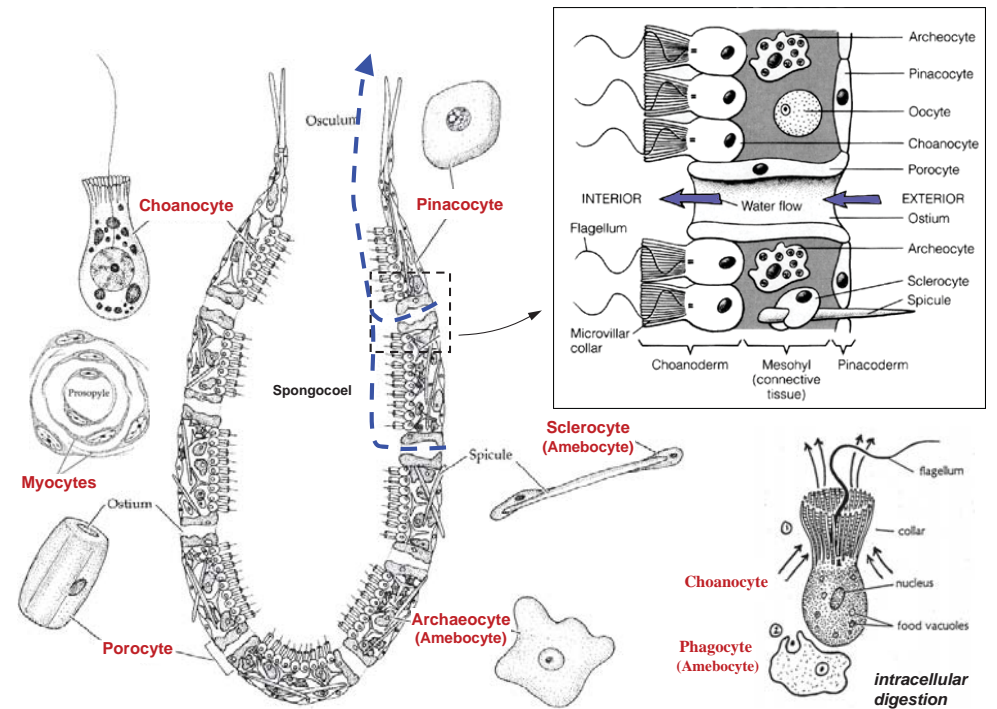
Figure 19-79 These ciliary axonemes from respiratory epithelium are sectioned transversely showing their 9+2 pattern of microtubules.



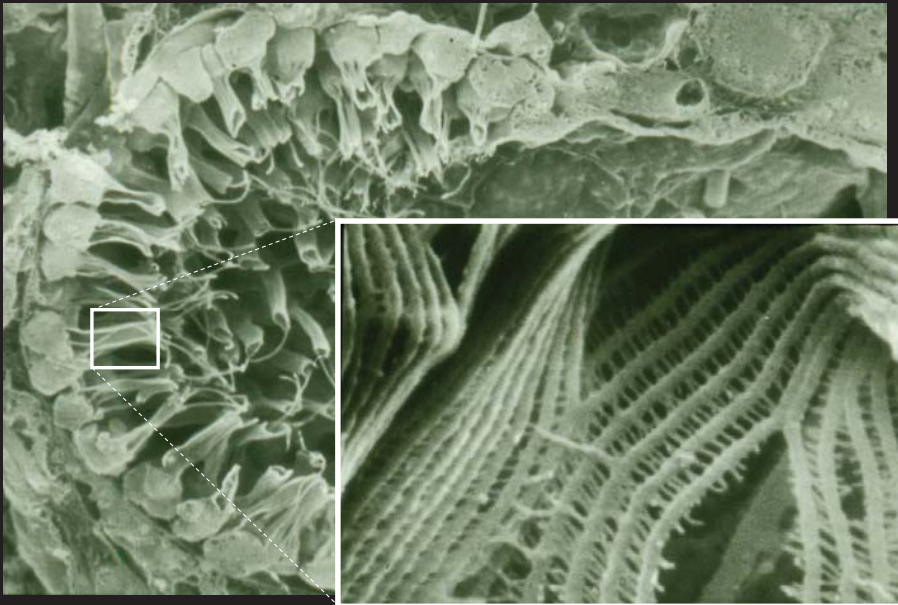
# Phylum Porifera



**Theme:** simplicity and flexibility of a cellular grade of construction

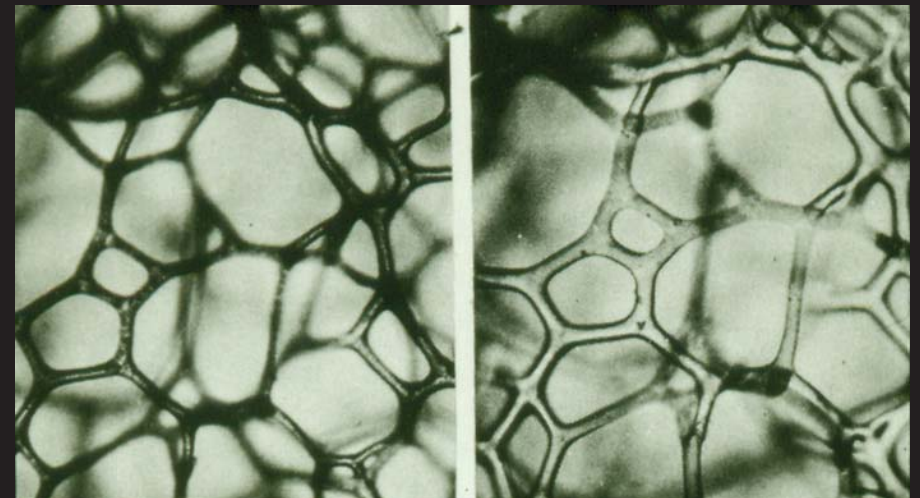


## Choanocytes



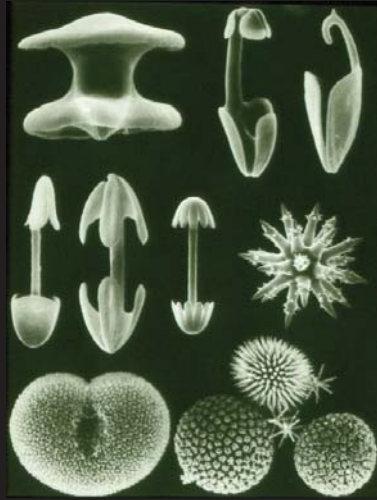
Microfibrils on choanocyte collar

## Endoskeleton: spongin



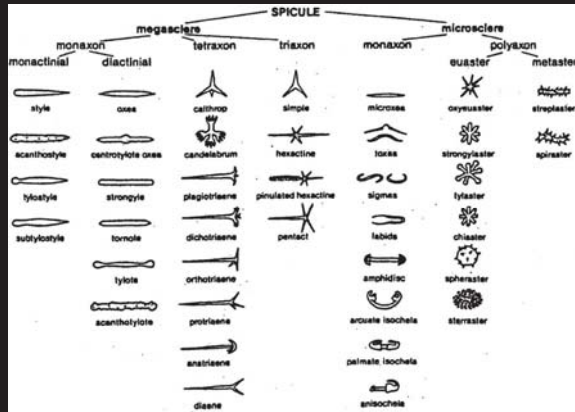
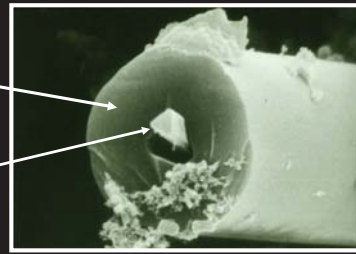
Spongin fibers (polymerized collagen)

### Endoskeleton: spicules

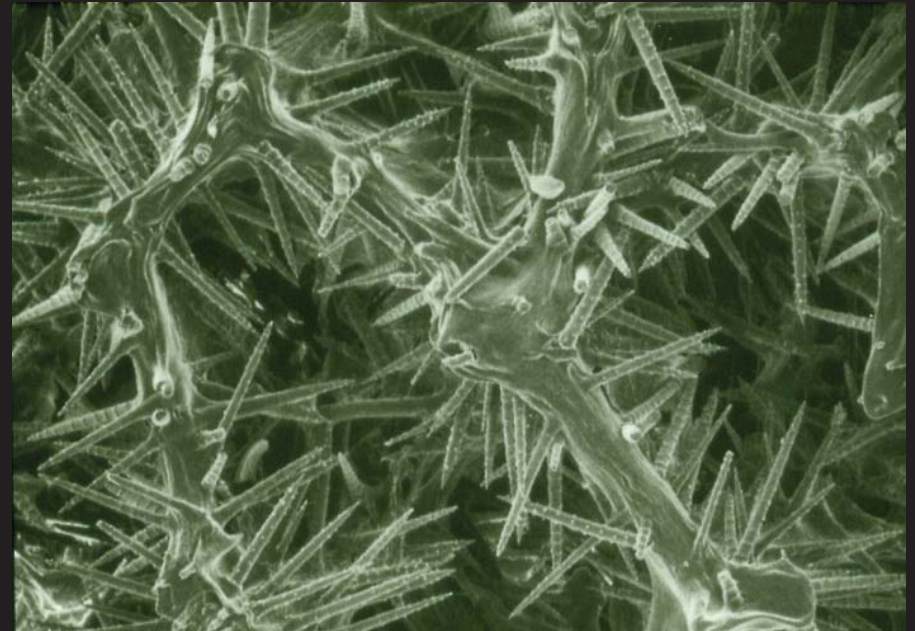


inorganic  
CaCO<sub>3</sub>  
or  
SiO<sub>2</sub>

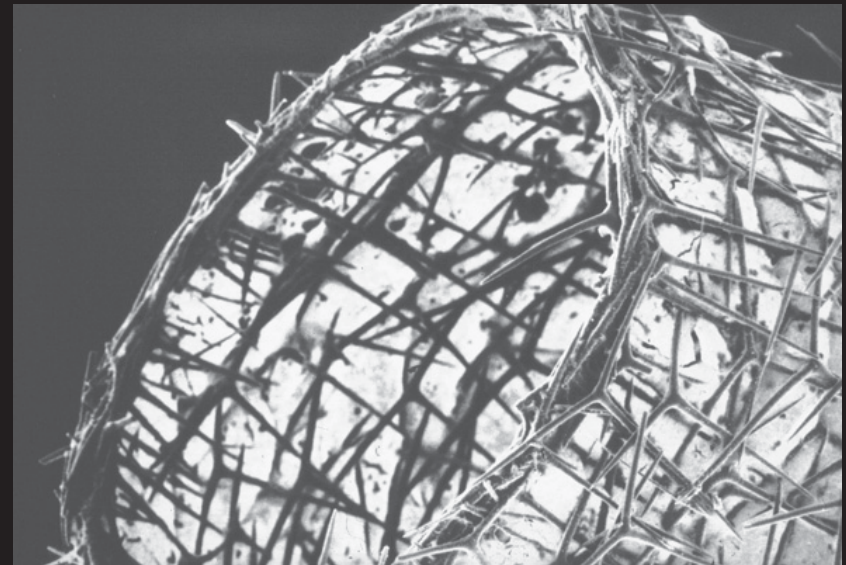
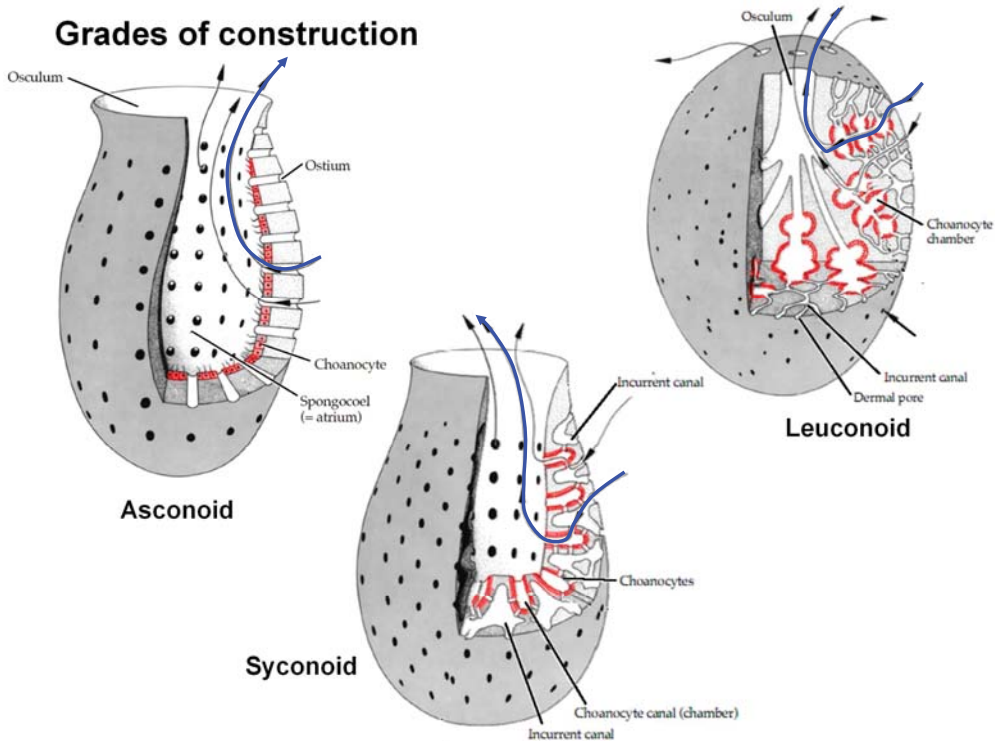
organic  
protein  
core



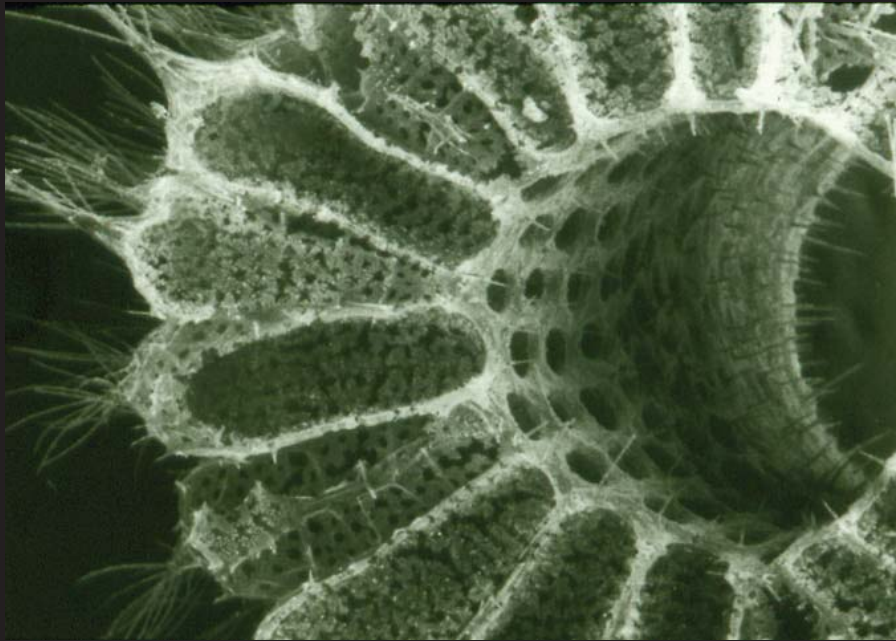
### Endoskeleton: Spicule-spongine matrix



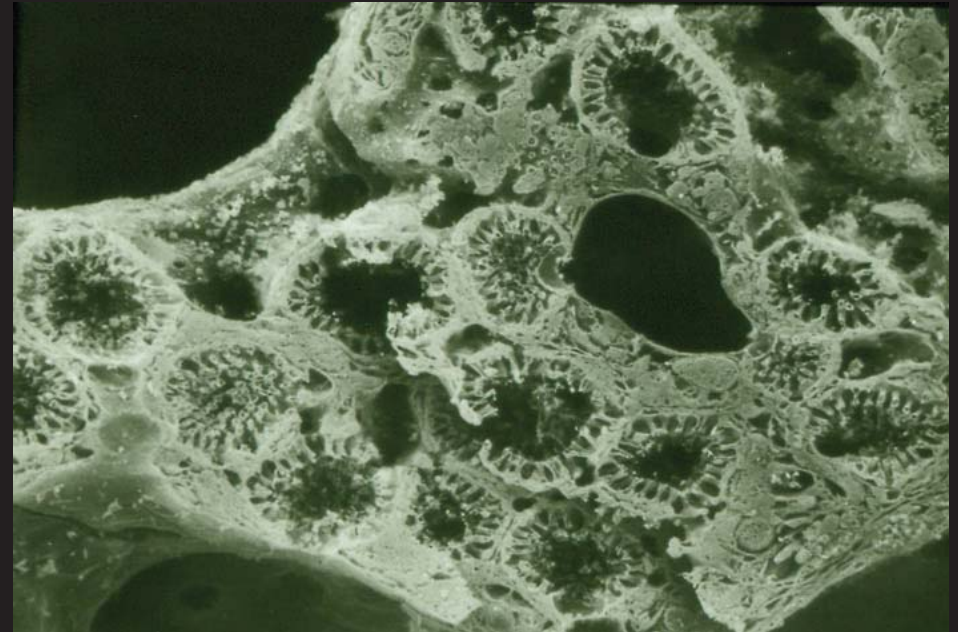
### Grades of construction



Asconoid: choanocyte-lined spongocoel

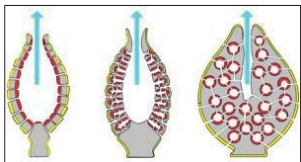


Syconoid: choanocyte-lined channels



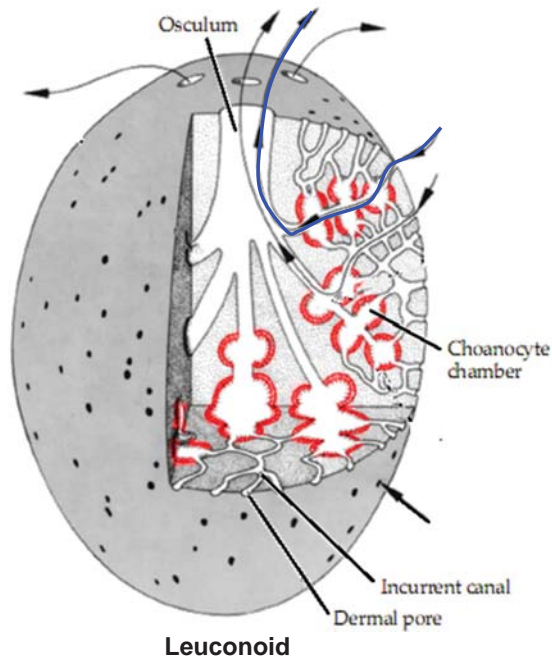
Leuconoid: choanocyte-lined chambers

Grades of construction:  
relative size

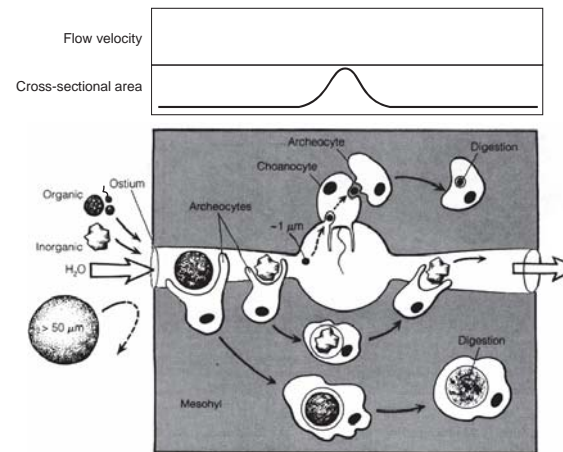


Asconoid

Syconoid



Sponges play with flow



Induced flow by  
Bernoulli's principle

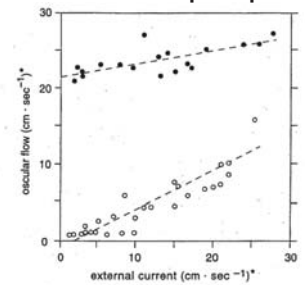


Figure 4.6  
Influence of morphology on water flow through the marine sponge *Haliciona vindex*. (\*) Velocity of water leaving sponge oscula for undisturbed sponges. (o) Data for sponges whose choanocytes were inactivated by immersing sponges in freshwater for several minutes.

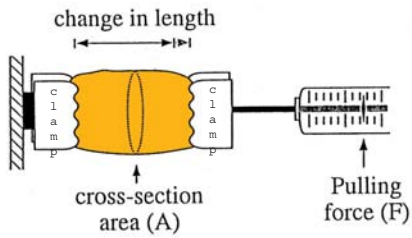
$$V_{in} = V_{through} = V_{out}$$

Table 4.1 Water Transport Characteristics for a Marine Leuconoid Sponge.

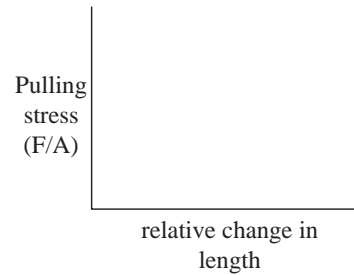
The sponge on which the data are based had a total volume of 2.4 cm<sup>3</sup>. From LaBarbera, M., and S. Vogel. 1982. *Amer. Scient.* 70:54-60.

Anatomical feature	Approximate no. per sponge	Individual surface area (cm <sup>2</sup> )	Total area (cm <sup>2</sup> )	Water velocity (cm/sec)
ostia	940,000	3.33 × 10 <sup>-6</sup>	3.14	0.057
flagellated chambers	2.88 × 10 <sup>7</sup>	7.06 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	203.0	8.69 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>
osculum	1.0	0.034	0.034	5.1

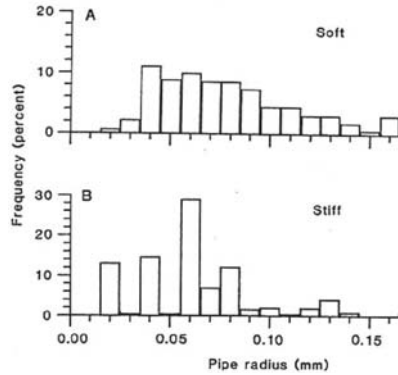
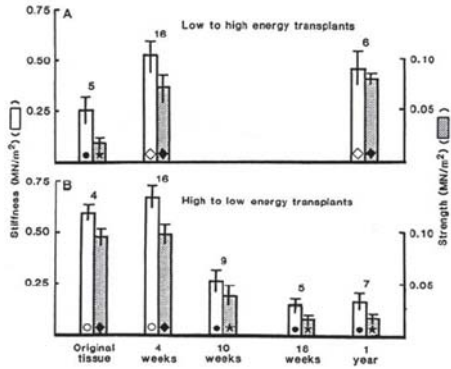
## Sponges play with form



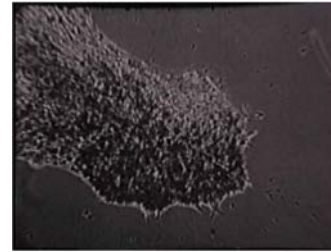
phenotypic plasticity (Palumbi 1984)



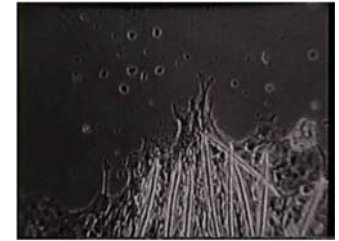
PALUMBI (1984)



## Sponges play with form



Advancing edge of sponge

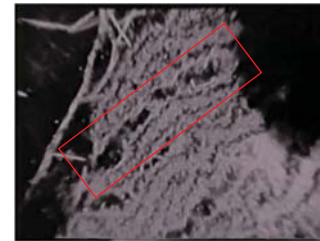


Spicules carried at edge

Filming speed: 500-1000x

Cells crawl at **1 mm/min** (compare to our structural cells @ **0.001 mm/min**)

Sponges can move about 4 mm/day



Reconstruction of water channels

Filming speed: 5000x

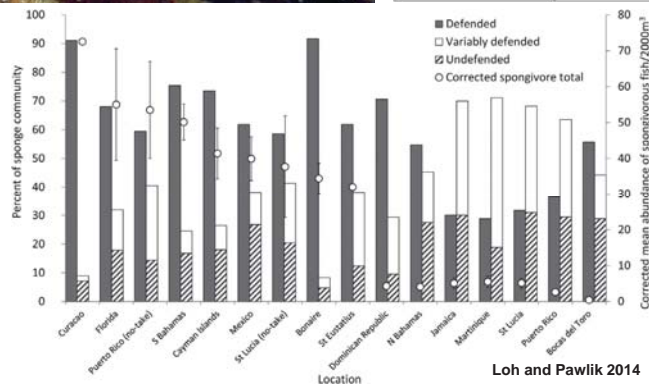
Choanocytes are brightly lit because they have ingested fluorescent beads

A. Harris, UNC-CH

## Sponges play with chemistry: protection



Sponge growing on the carapace of a crab



Loh and Pawlik 2014

## Sponges play with chemistry: protection

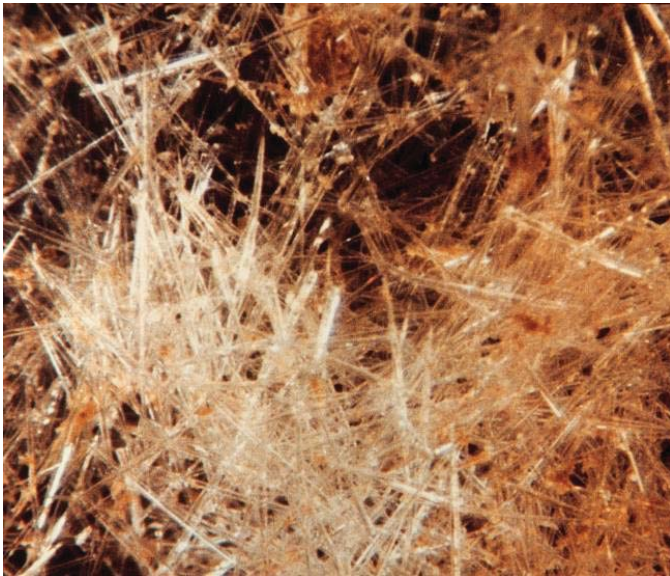


Sponge growing on the carapace of a crab



The nudibranch *Rostanga* laying egg ribbons on its food, the sponge *Ophlitospongia*

...and with physical defenses

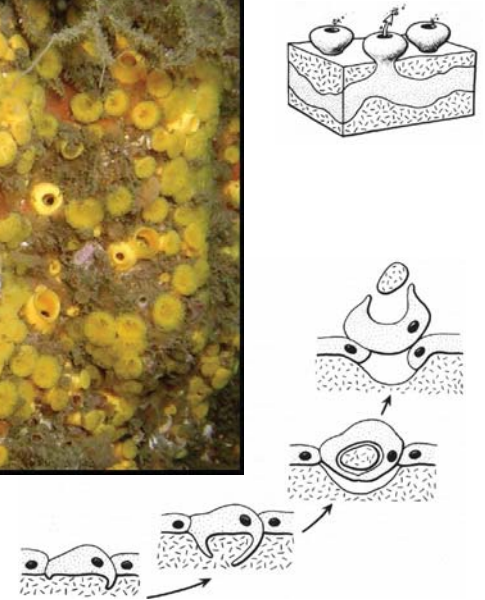


Silica spicules from the stomach of a hawksbill turtle

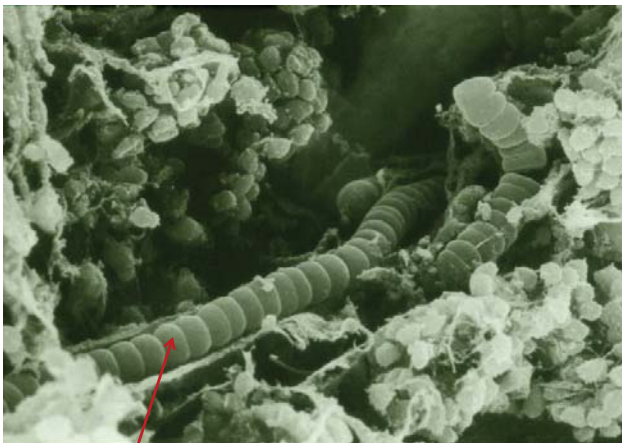
Sponges play with chemistry: bioerosion



Boring sponge, *Cliona celata*

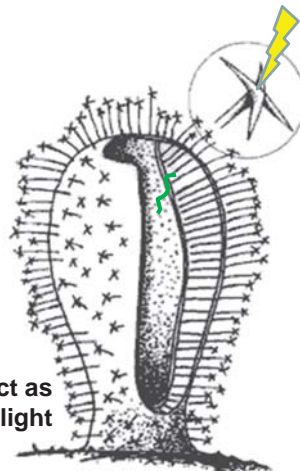


Sponges play with light: symbiosis

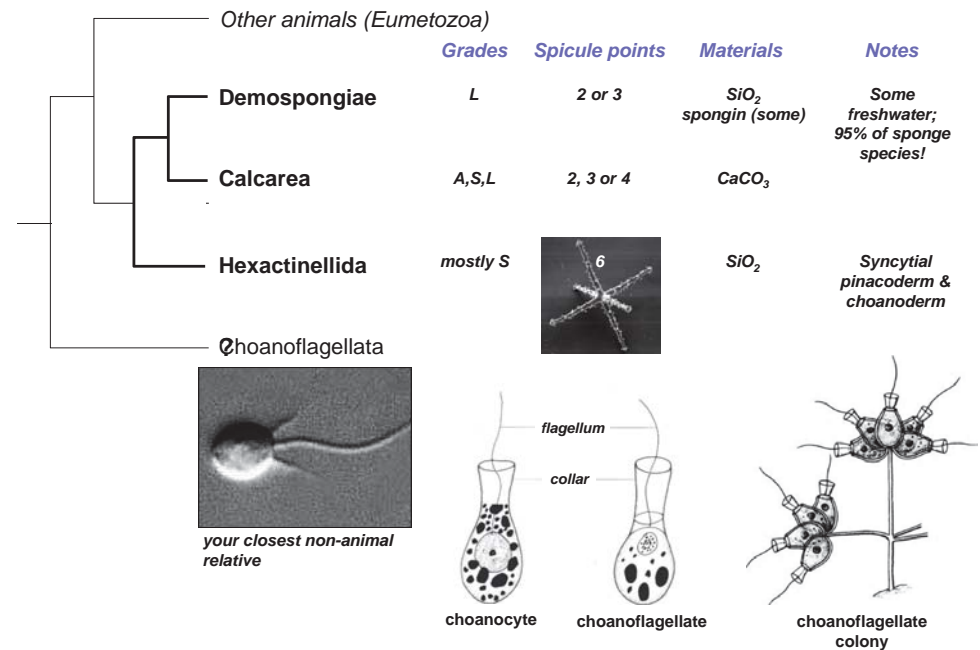


Cyanobacterium symbiont inside sponge tissue

Antarctic sponge *Rosella*: spicules act as "optical fibers" to deliver light



Sponge class characteristics and relationships

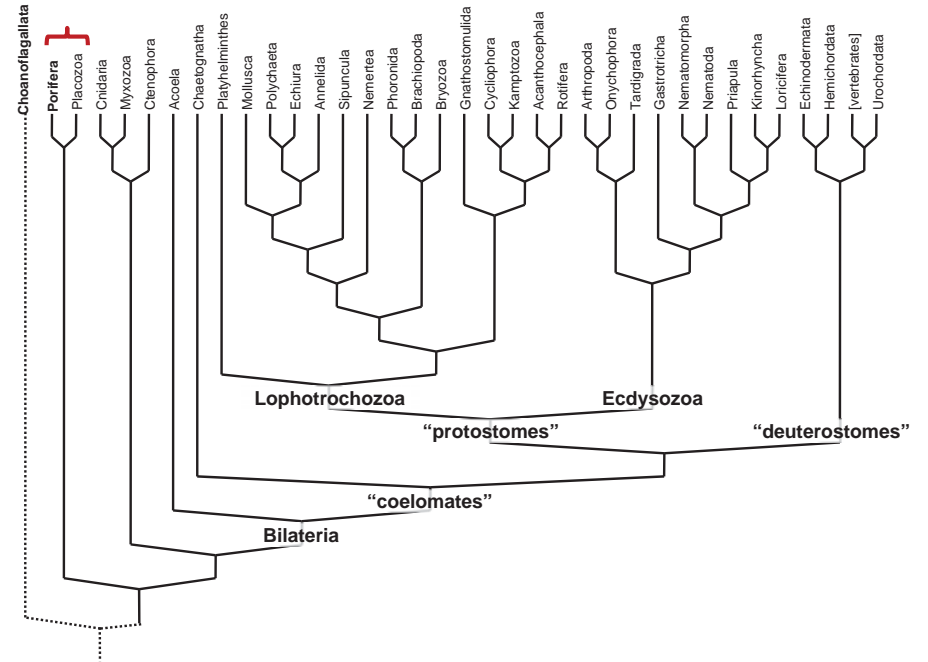
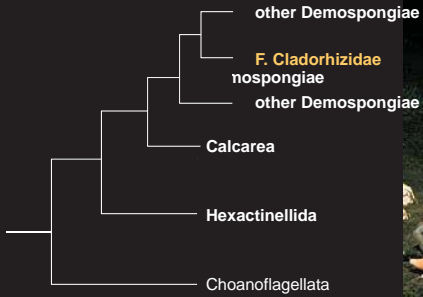




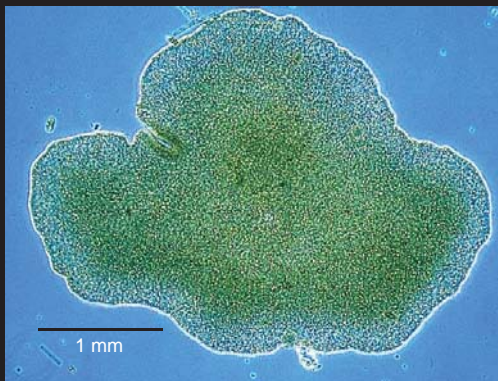
## What makes a sponge a sponge?

"aquiferous construction"?  
water channels and choanocytes

**F. Cladorhizidae**  
carnivorous "sponge"!?  
New body plan...  
new phylum?



## Phylum Placozoa



- Discovered late 19<sup>th</sup> c. growing on aquarium glass
- 1 species (*Trichoplax adhaerens*)
- 4-6 cell types
- asexual budding, sexual reproduction
- chromosomes are small, genome is bacterial-sized
- closest relative?

