

TRADITIONAL DIVISIONS BASED ON BODY CAVITIES

"Acoelomate"

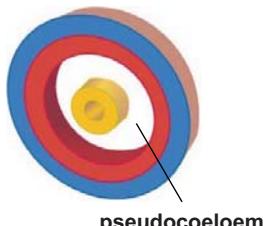
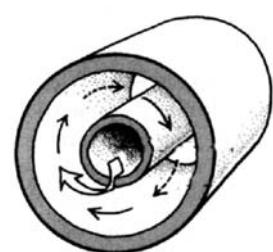
- Platyhelminthes
- Nemerteans

Embryonic tissue layers



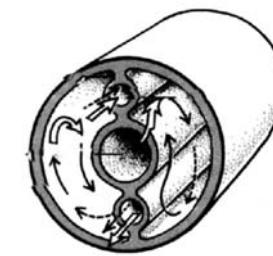
"Pseudo-coelomate"

- Nematoda
- Nematomorpha
- Kinorhyncha
- Loricifera
- Priapula
- Tardigrada
- Gastrotricha
- Acanthocephala
- Cyclophora
- Gnathostomulida
- Rotifera

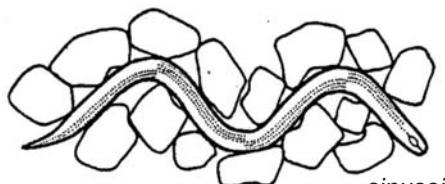


Coelomate

- Mollusca
- Annelida
- Sipuncula
- Phoronida
- Brachiopoda
- Bryozoa
- Arthropoda
- Onychophora
- Tardigrada
- Echinodermata
- Hemichordata
- Chordata

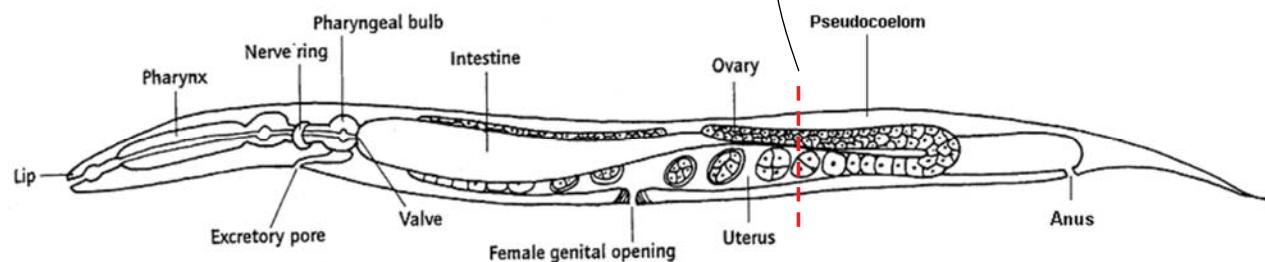
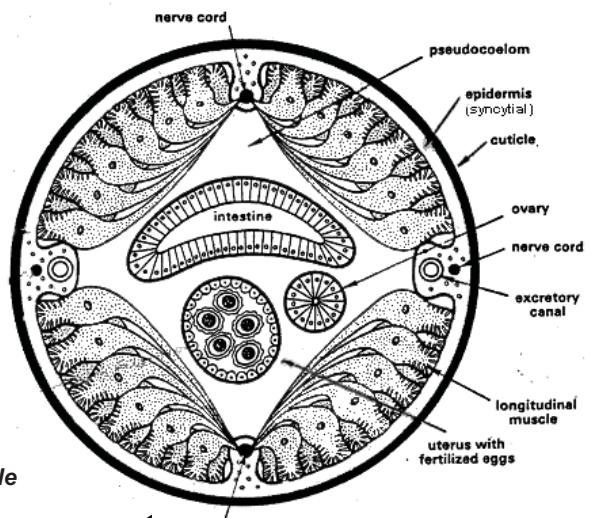


Ph. Nematoda

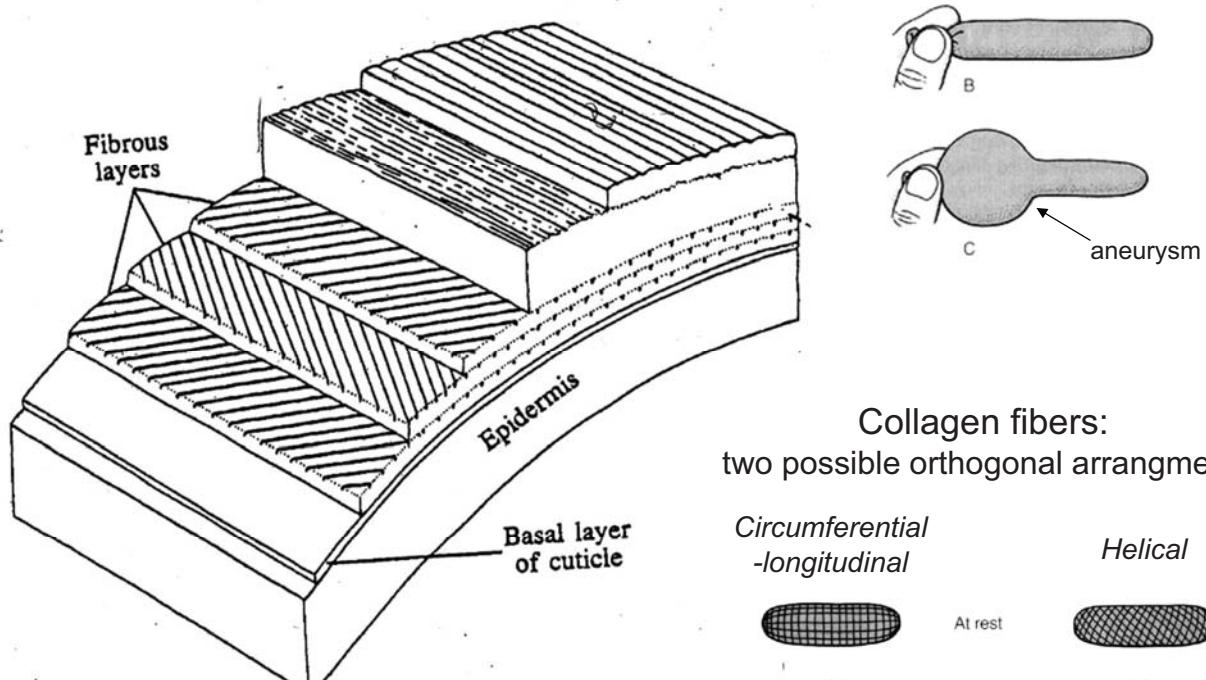


sinusoidal locomotion

- pseudocoelom
- high internal pressure
- molted chitinous cuticle
- syncytial epidermis
- longitudinal muscle only
- muscle projections to nerves



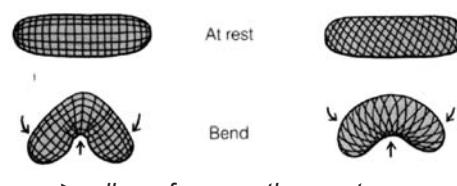
Cuticle = chitin + reinforcing collagen fibers



Collagen fibers:
two possible orthogonal arrangements

Circumferential
-longitudinal

Helical



Hypotheses for the evolution of body cavities

