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How are phyla related?

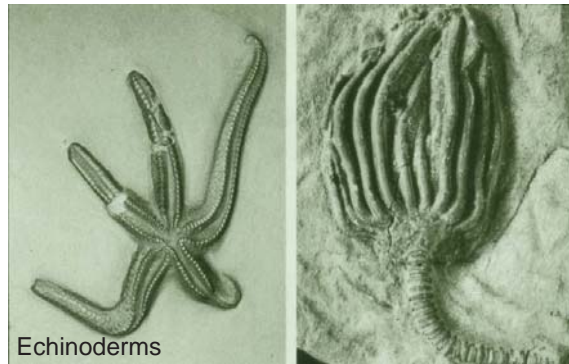
When did they appear?

How has diversity changed?

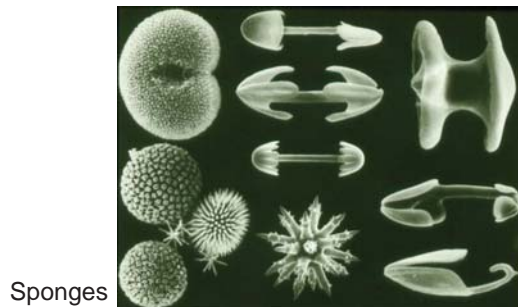
What mechanisms underlie diversification?

Variable preservation among taxa

Which phyla are more likely to leave informative records?

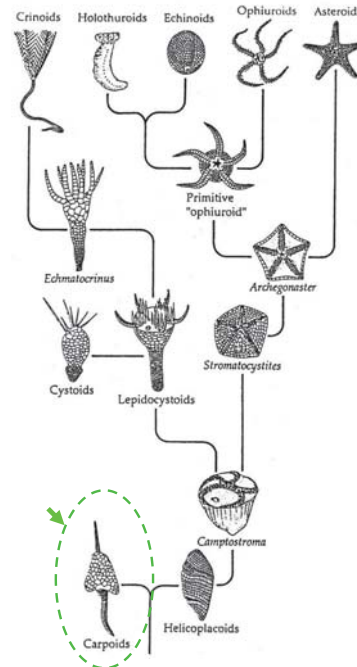


Molluscs

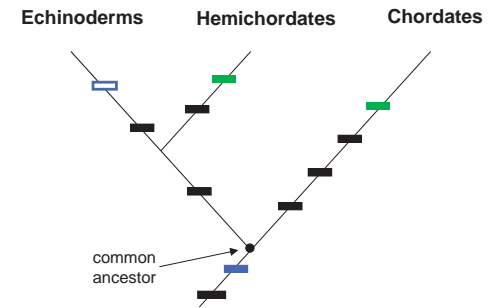


Sponges

1. Analysis of fossil taxa
eg. Echinoderm classes



2a. Cladistics: phenotypes of extant taxa
eg. Deuterostomes



b. Cladistics: phenotypes of larval forms

(i) "dipleurula" type larva



holothuroid echinoderm auricularia

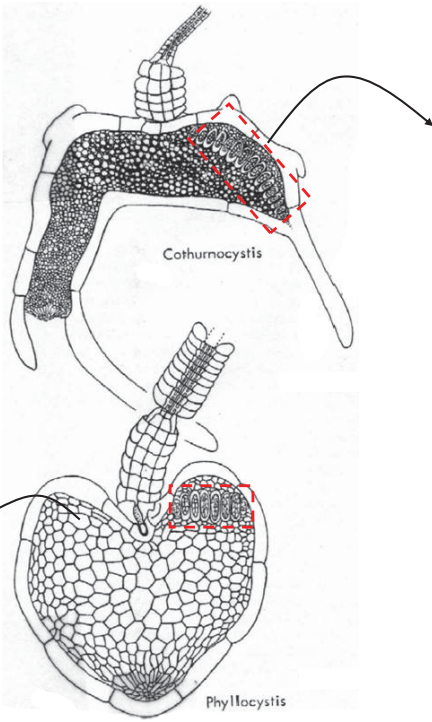


hemichordate tornaria

Carpoids



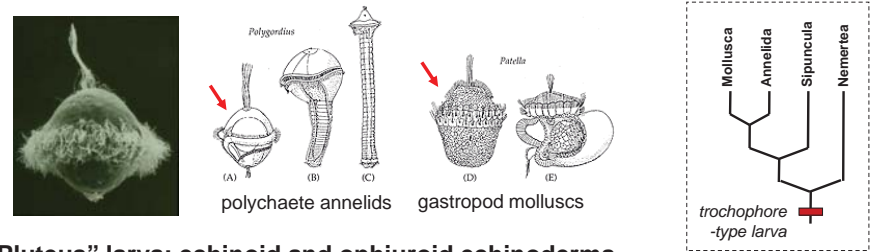
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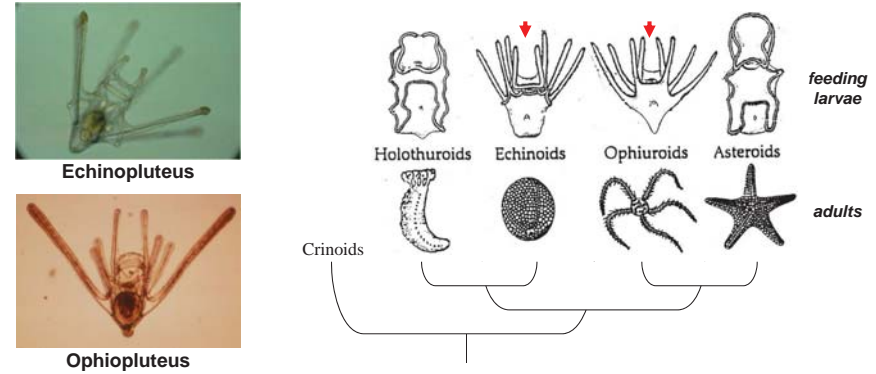
pharyngeal slits?

Are larval forms always reliable cladistic characters?

(ii) Trochophore-type larva: molluscs, annelids, sipunculans, nemerteans

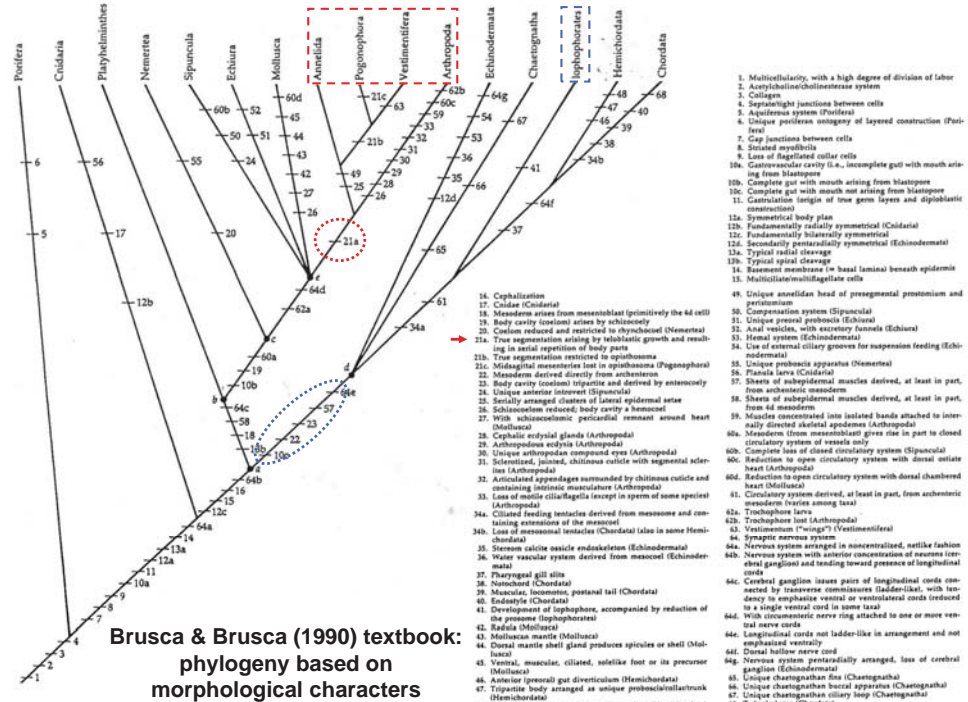
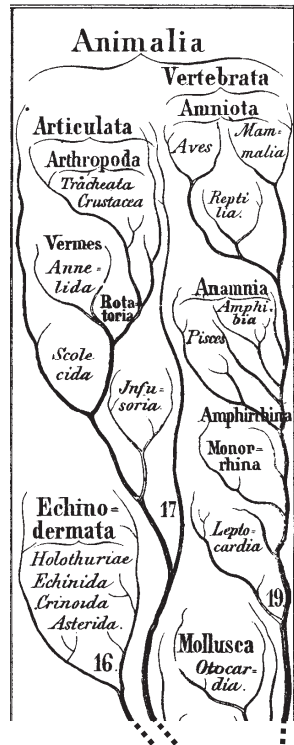
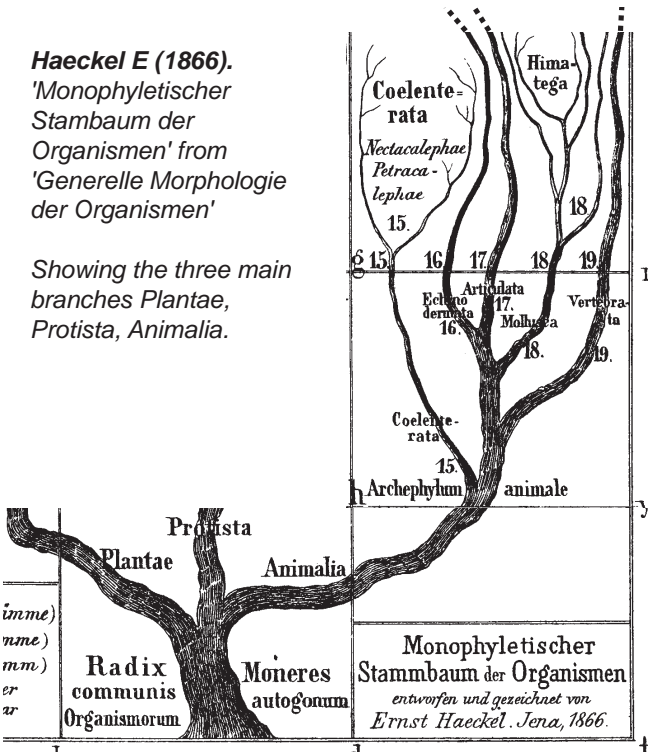


(iii) "Pluteus" larva: echinoid and ophiuroid echinoderms



Haeckel E (1866).
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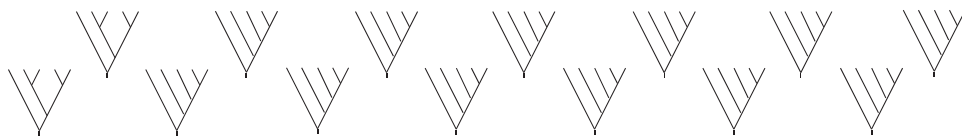
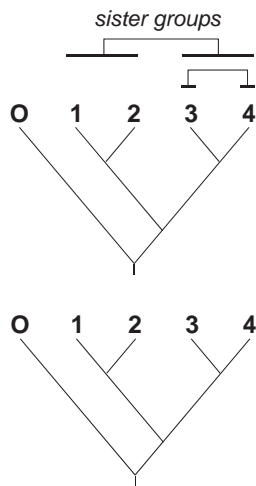
Showing the three main
branches Plantae,
Protista, Animalia.



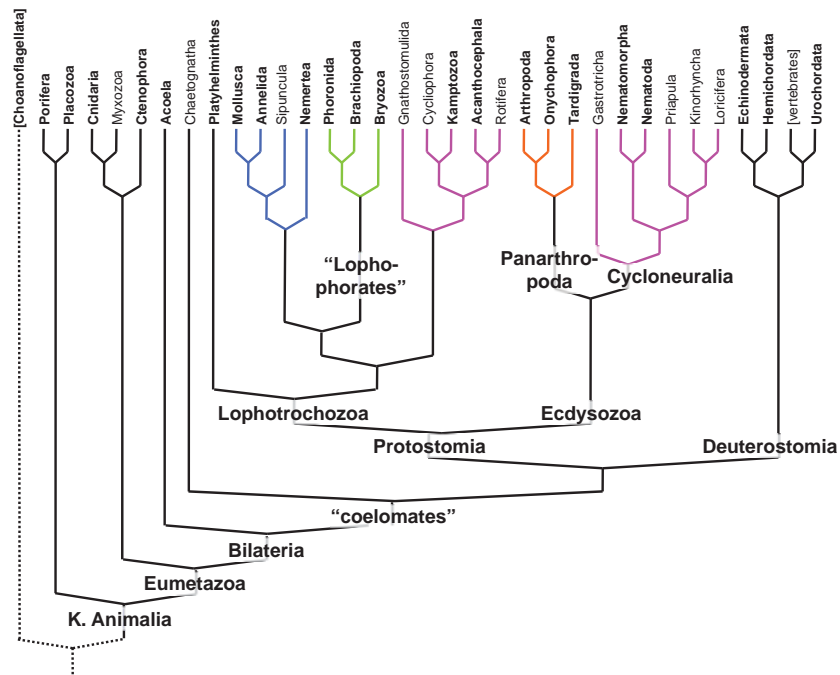
2b. Cladistics: molecular characters

DNA base	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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sp 2	.	G	.	.	A	T
sp 3	.	.	.	T	.	C	.	.	.	A	.	T
sp 4	.	.	.	T	.	C	T

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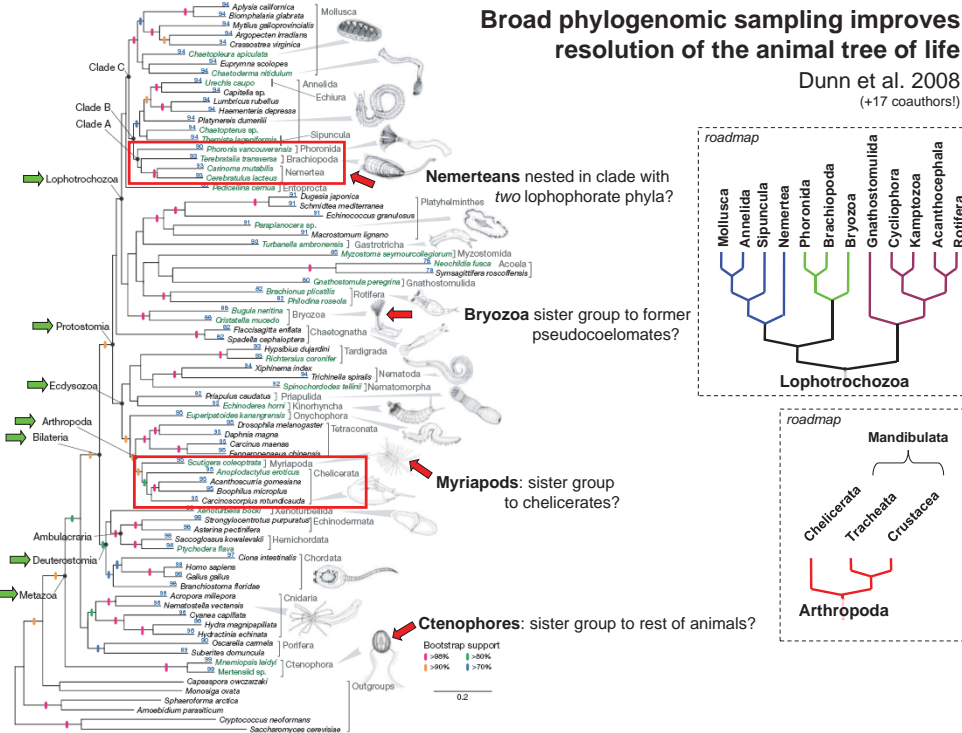


Our phylogenetic roadmap: a consensus view



Broad phylogenomic sampling improves resolution of the animal tree of life

Dunn et al. 2008 (+17 coauthors)



The Genome of the Ctenophore *Mnemiopsis leidyi* and Its Implications for Cell Type Evolution

Science (2013)

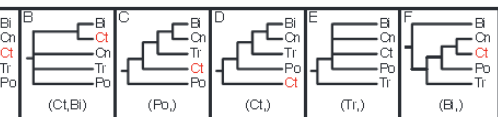
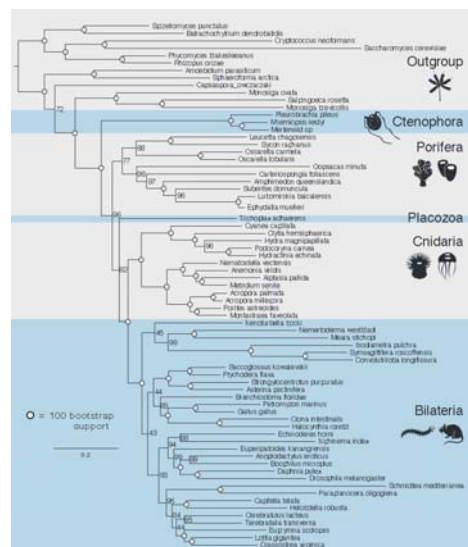
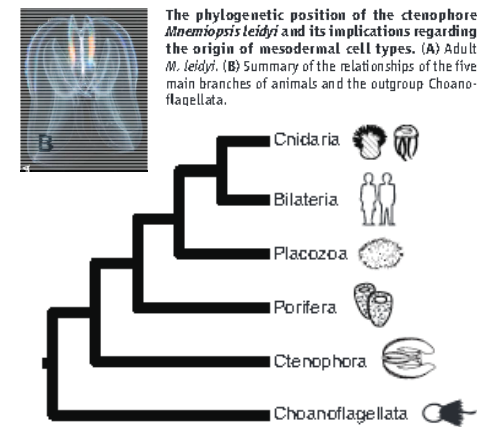


Fig. 2. Previously proposed relationships of the five deep clades of animals. The label at the bottom of each pane corresponds to the header of Table 1. (A) Coelenterata hypothesis, (B) Ctenophora as sister to Bilateria, (C) Placozoa as sister group to the rest of Metazoa, (D) Ctenophora as sister group to the rest of Metazoa, (E) Placozoa as sister group to the rest of Metazoa, (F) Diphlogistic hypothesis. We see no support in any of our analyses for the hypotheses in (A), (E), and (F) and very little support for (B) (see Table 1). (C), Ctenophora; Po, Porifera; Tr, Placozoa; Cn, Cnidaria; Bi, Bilateria.

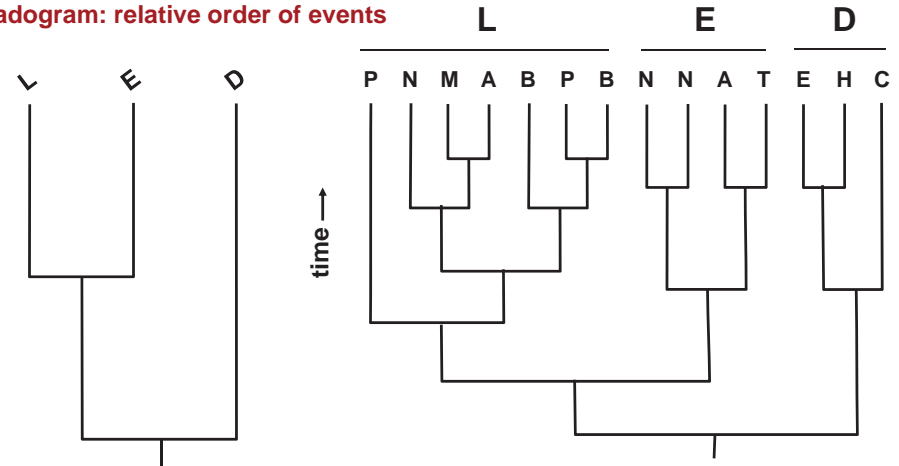


muscles? nerves? epithelia? axes?

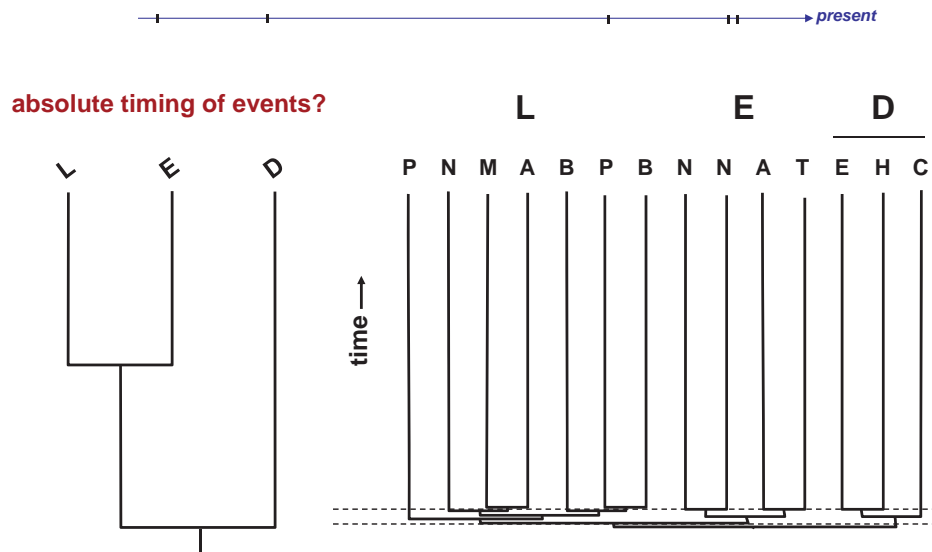
Pattern of evolutionary relationships

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cladogram: relative order of events



Timing of evolutionary divergences?



The major Pre-Cambrian and Cambrian *Lagerstätten*

Pre-Cambrian

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Pre-Cambrian seas?



The Ediacaran (named after the hills in Australia, the site of a major pre-Cambrian fossil deposit) featured soft-bodied life - no bones, shells, teeth or other hard parts. Most of the life forms bear no resemblance to modern day animals, and may have become the eventually extinguished prey of more modern forms. The world's first ever burrowing animals evolved in the Ediacaran but left only trace fossils (burrows).

Enigmatic Ediacaran biota (630-542 mya)



Dickinsonia costata, an iconic Ediacaran organism, displays the characteristic quilted appearance of Ediacaran enigmata



Spriggina superficially resembled a segmented animal but the apparent segments are isomers (alternating on left and right sides).



Charniodiscus, probably a stationary filter feeder, was a frond anchored by a holdfast to a sandy sea bed.



Kimberella may have had a predatory or grazing lifestyle.



Archaeonassa-type trace fossils



Charnia, the first accepted complex Precambrian organism, once interpreted as a relative of the sea pens.

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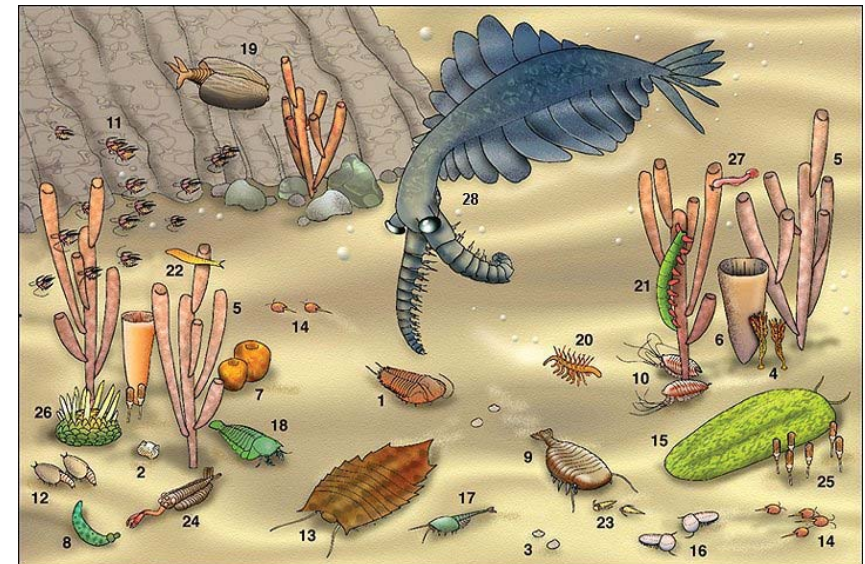
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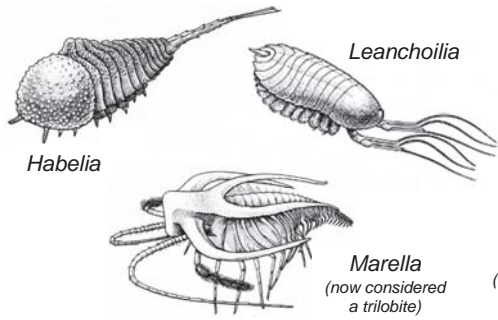


Some of the diversity of the Burgess Shale biota is depicted in the drawing above by Sam Gon III and John Whorral. Trilobites such as *Olenoides serratus* (1) were a minority among a diversity of arthropods such as *Sidneyia* (9), *Waptia* (17), *Helmetia* (13), *Sanctacaris* (18), *Tegopelte* (15), *Naraoia* (16), *Leanochoilia* (10), *Canadaspis* (12), *Odaraia* (19), *Marrella* (11), and *Burgessia* (14), as well as oddities such as *Opabinia* (24), *Wiawaxia* (26), *Hallucigenia* (20), and the giant predator, *Anomalocaris* (28).

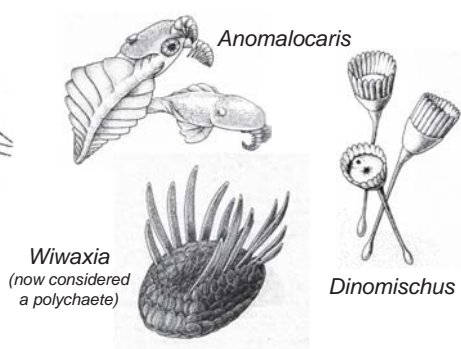
Problematic taxa of the Burgess Shale (525-505 mya)

Wonderful Life, Gould (1990)

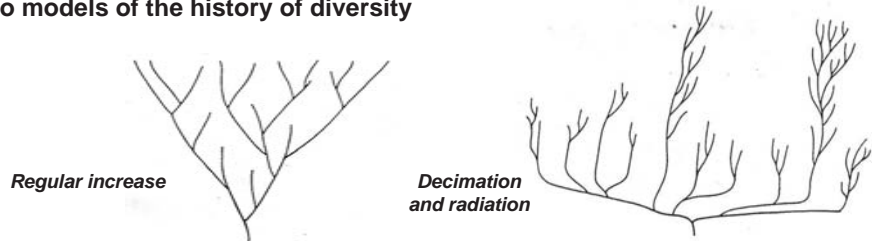
Unique arthropod subphyla?



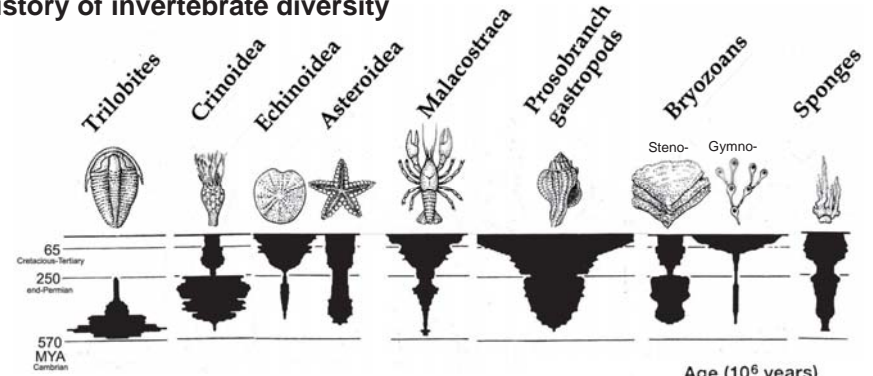
Unique phyla?



Two models of the history of diversity



History of invertebrate diversity



Mass extinctions of marine families

