

# Animal Diversity Notes

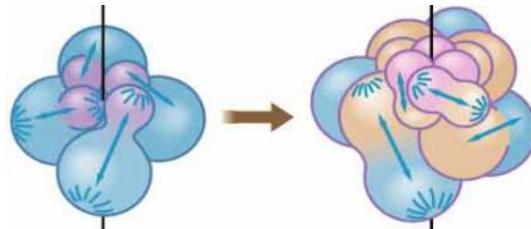
## Key Biology Concepts

### Protostomes/Deuterostomes

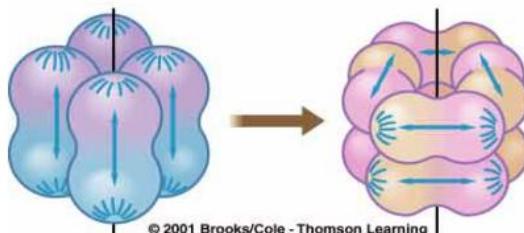
Difference based on:

- type of embryo cleavage
- fate of blastopore
- ontogeny of coelom (schizocely vs enterocoely)

**Early protostome embryo.** Its four cells are undergoing cleavages *oblique to the original body axis*:



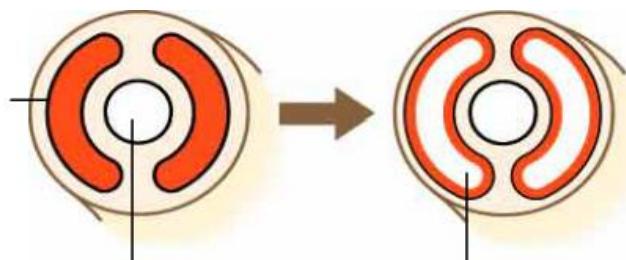
**Early deuterostome embryo.** Its four cells are undergoing cleavages *parallel with and perpendicular to the original body axis*:



**How a coelom forms in a protostome embryo:**

solid mass of mesoderm

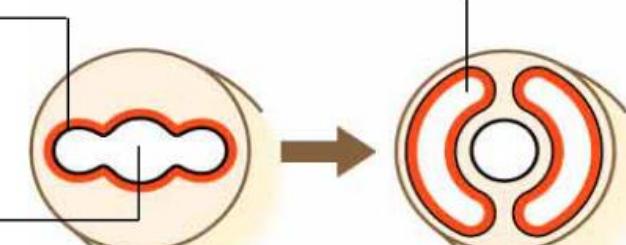
developing gut



**How a coelom forms in a deuterostome embryo:**

pouch will form mesoderm around coelom

developing gut



### Tradeoffs of Ectothermy

- Disadvantages:
  - Activity limited by external temperature
  - Requires behavioural adaptations for finding thermal microenvironments (basking in sun or finding cool refuge)
  - Become inactive for part of the year
  - Limitations on latitudinal range (not as far north or south as endotherms)

- Advantages:
  - High efficiency of converting ingested food to biomass
  - Can thrive in ecosystems of low productivity (deserts, hot and dry)
  - Can survive with low metabolic rate

## Purposes of Migration

- broadens the resource base, tracks available food
- high latitudes have longer days in summer, allowing extended foraging
- maintains relatively constant temperature by going tropics as winter sets in
- prevents permanent predation pressure in one location

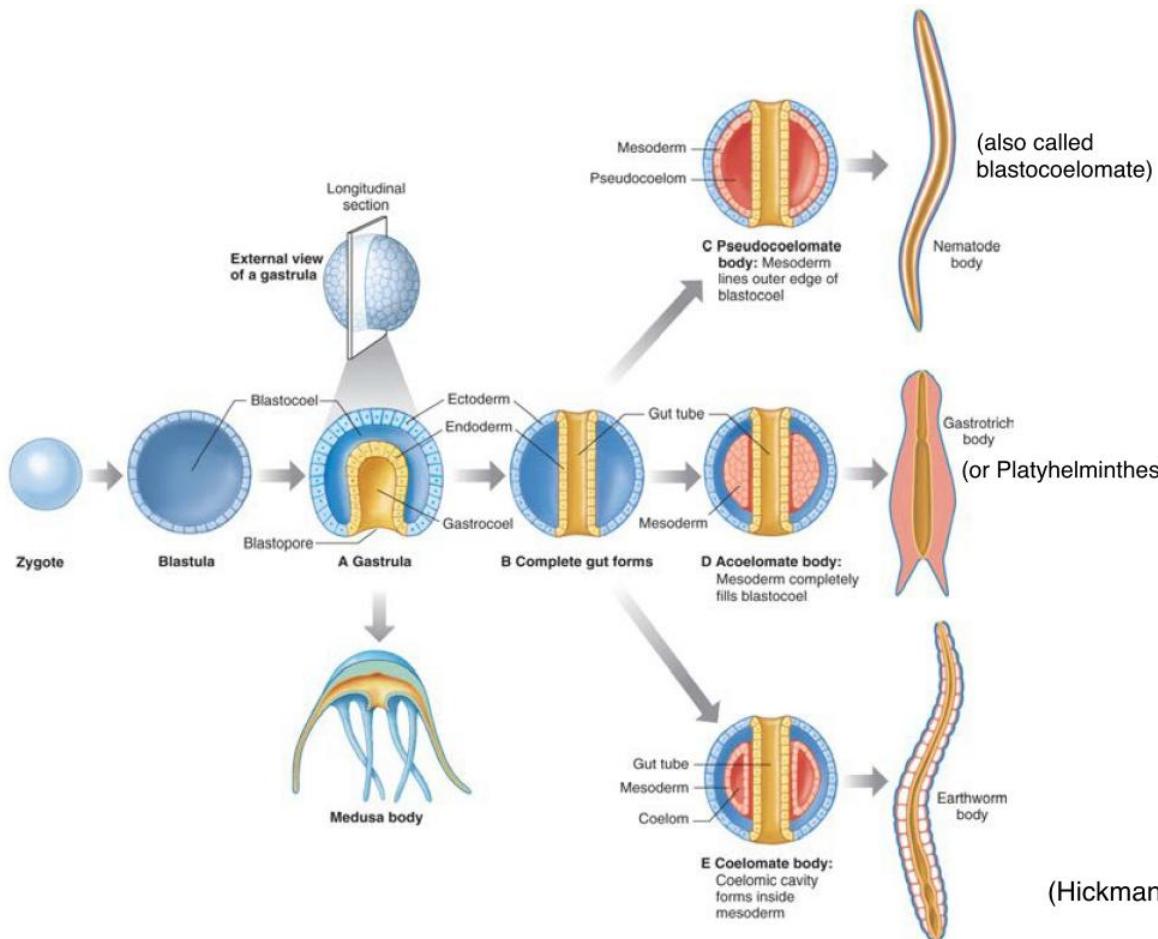
## Advantages of the Coelomate Body Plan

- Cavity can function for circulation, waste disposal, and gamete storage and release
- Enables the development of a hydrostatic skeleton
- Provides cushioning for the digestive tract
- Muscular movements of the digestive tract isolated from the outer body wall and skeletal muscular movements

## Advantages of Metamerism

- Improved efficiency of motion using hydrostatic skeleton
- Independent nervous control and movement of segments
- Architectural redundancy allows specialisation of segments as well as survival/regeneration when segments are lost

## Modes of Development



(Hickman Fig.)

# Summary of Development

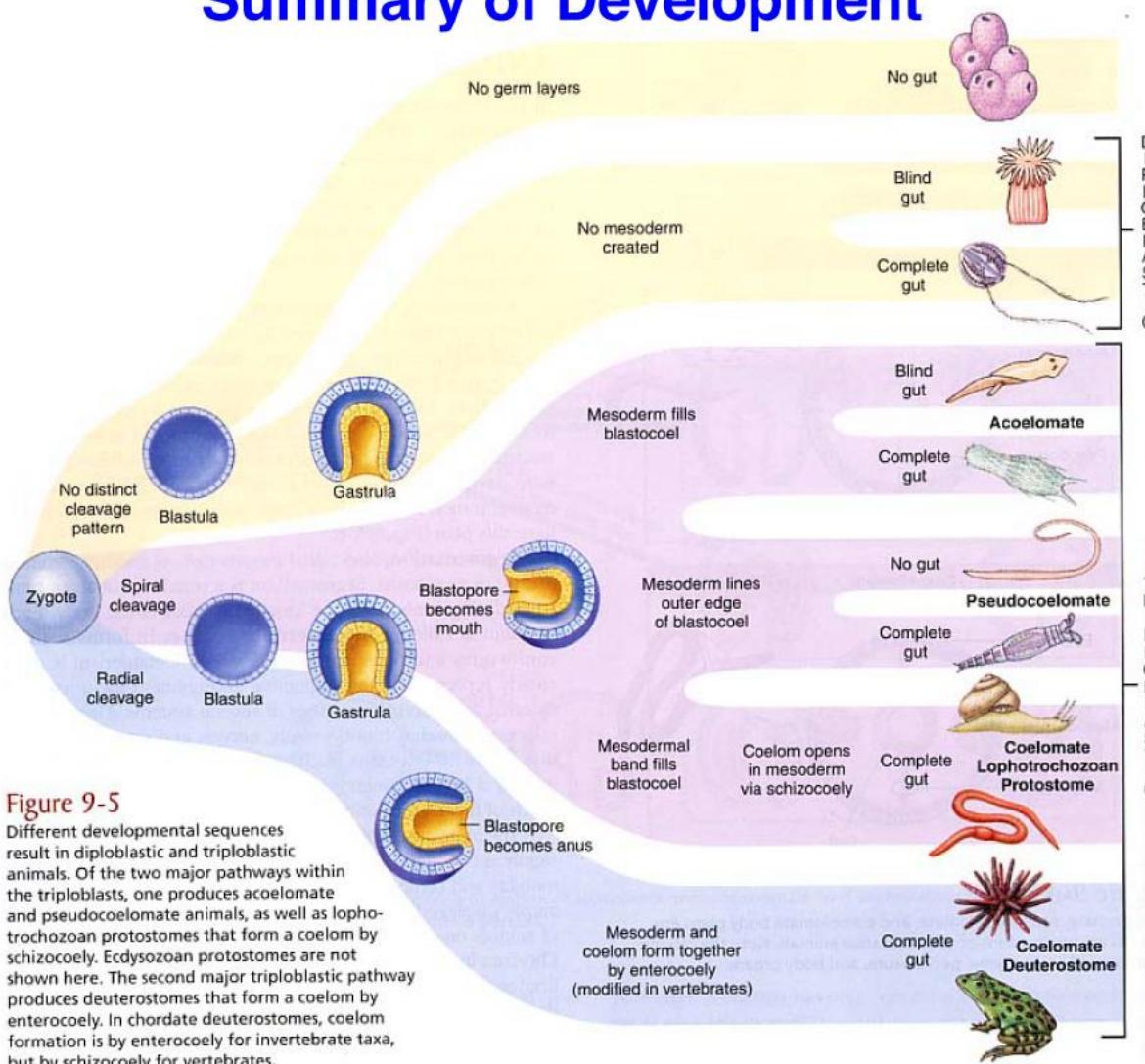


Figure 9-5

Different developmental sequences result in diploblastic and triploblastic animals. Of the two major pathways within the triploblasts, one produces acelomate and pseudocoelomate animals, as well as lophotrochozoan protostomes that form a coelom by schizocoely. Ecdysozoan protostomes are not shown here. The second major triploblastic pathway produces deuterostomes that form a coelom by enterocoely. In chordate deuterostomes, coelom formation is by enterocoely for invertebrate taxa, but by schizocoely for vertebrates.

## Timeline of Evolution

### Paleozoic Era

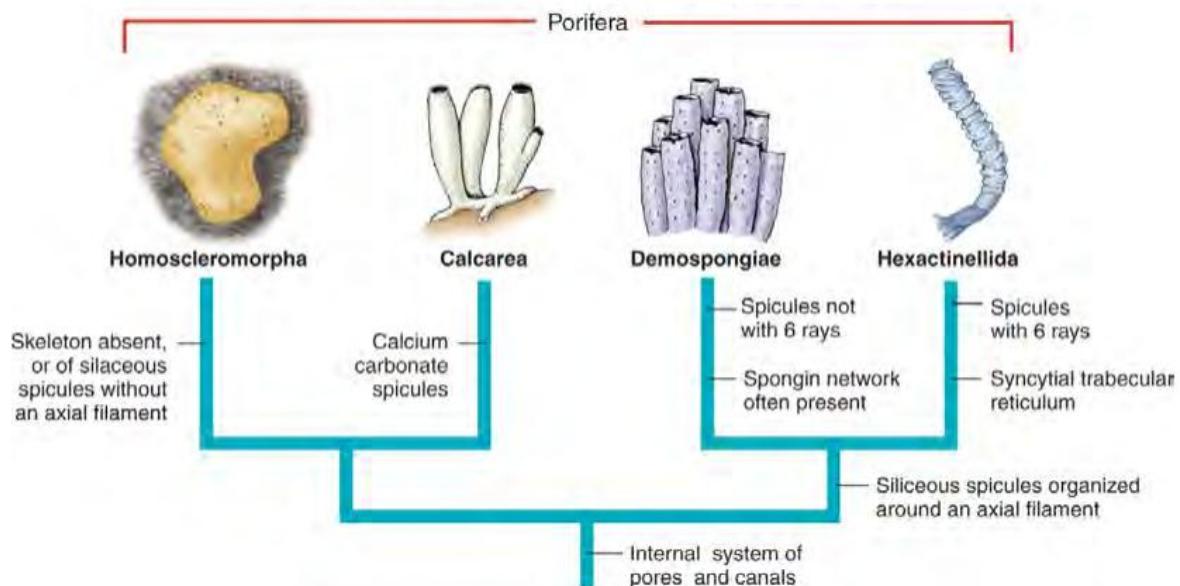
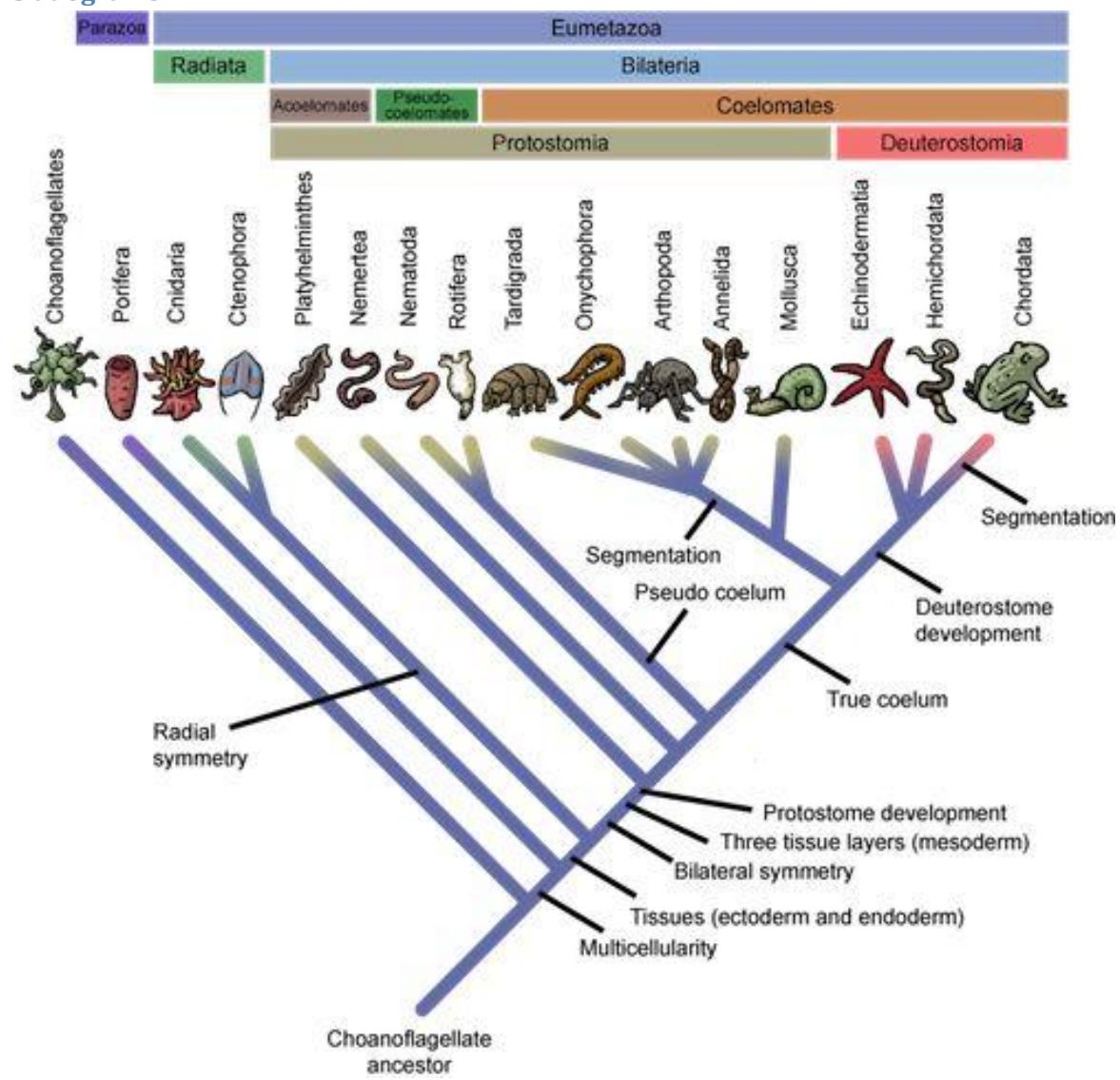
	542	Cambrian explosion of animal diversity
Cambrian	530	first vertebrates (jawless fishes)
	505	
Ordovician		first plants; colonization of land by vascular plants, fungi, arthropods
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Silurian		first jawed fishes.
	408	
Paleozoic	Devonian	diversification of bony fishes; first amphibians; first insects
	360	
Carboniferous		first reptiles; first seed plants (gymnosperms)
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Permian		first adaptive radiation of insects first therapsid reptiles (ancestors of mammals)
	245	Permian mass extinction

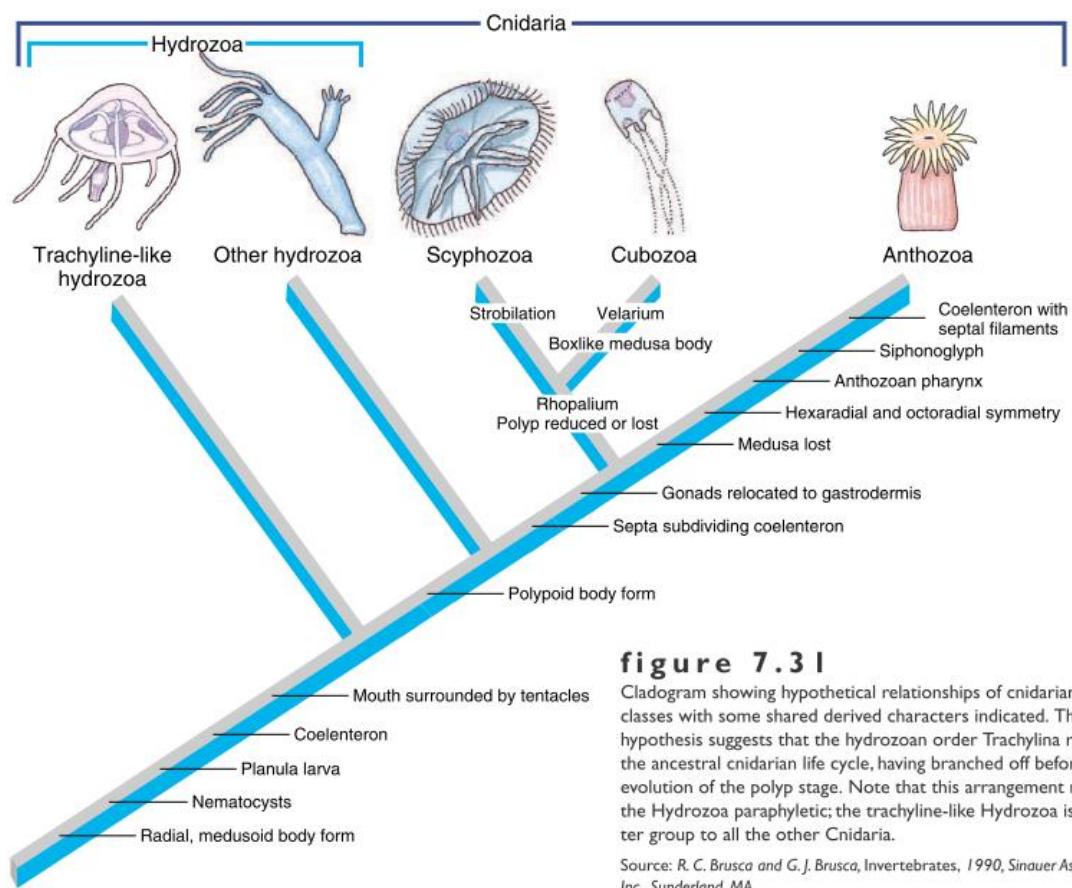
### Chronology of Evolution

Geological Era	Period	Millions of years ago	major events of animal life
Pre-cambrian		4600	• Based on radiometric dates. • Know the time scale.
		3800	formation of Earth
		3500	liquid water formed; heavy meteorite bombardment stopped; oldest chemical traces of life.
		2700	oldest fossil prokaryotes (photosynthetic)
		2500	oldest chemical traces of eukaryotic cells
		2200	$O_2$ becomes appreciable in atmosphere; approximate origin of aerobic respiration.
		1200	oldest fossil eukaryotic cells (protists)
		635	oldest fossil multicellular life (algae)
Ediacaran		542	oldest fossil invertebrates
			Cambrian explosion of animal diversity

## Essential Diagrams

### Cladograms

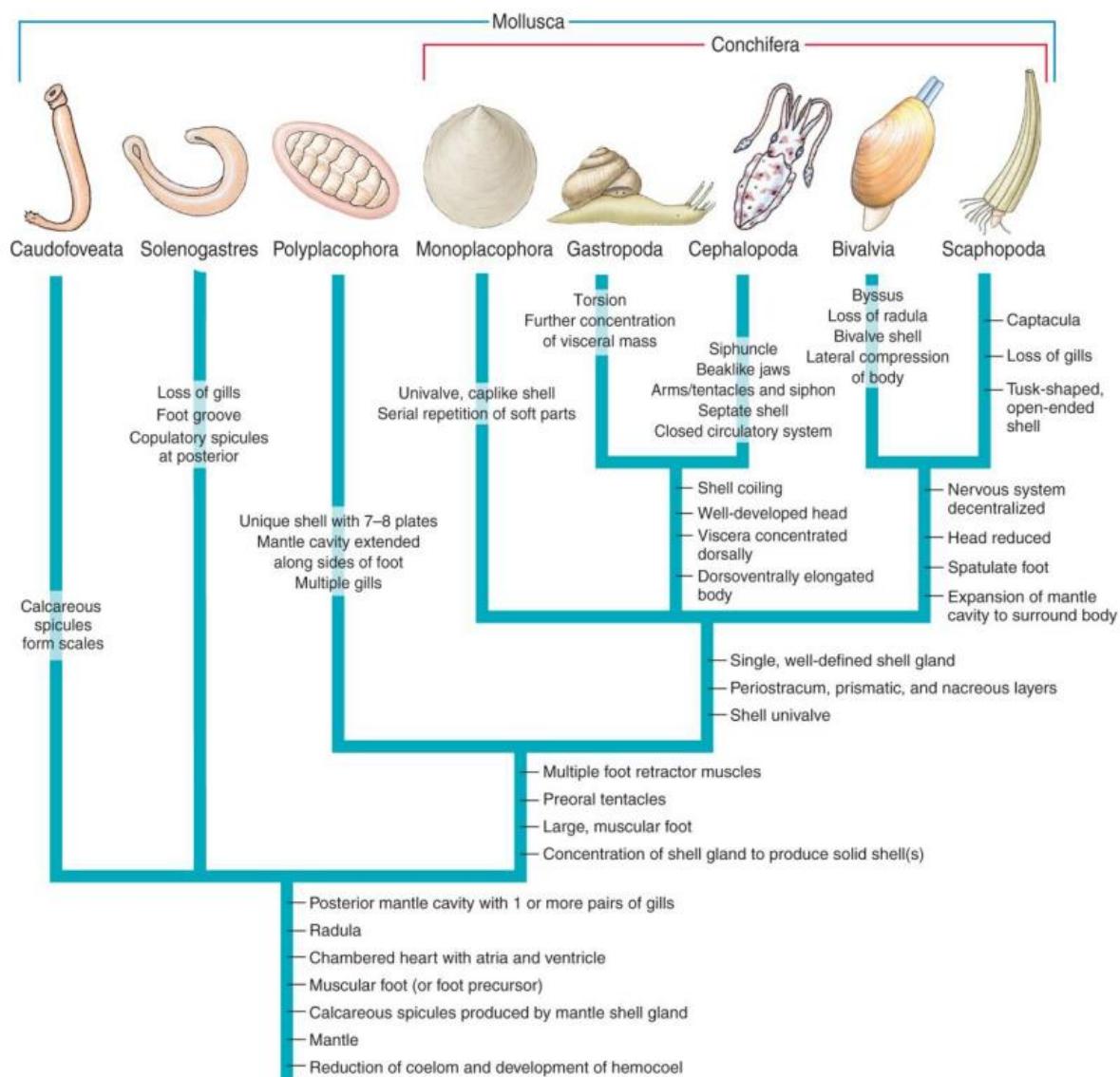


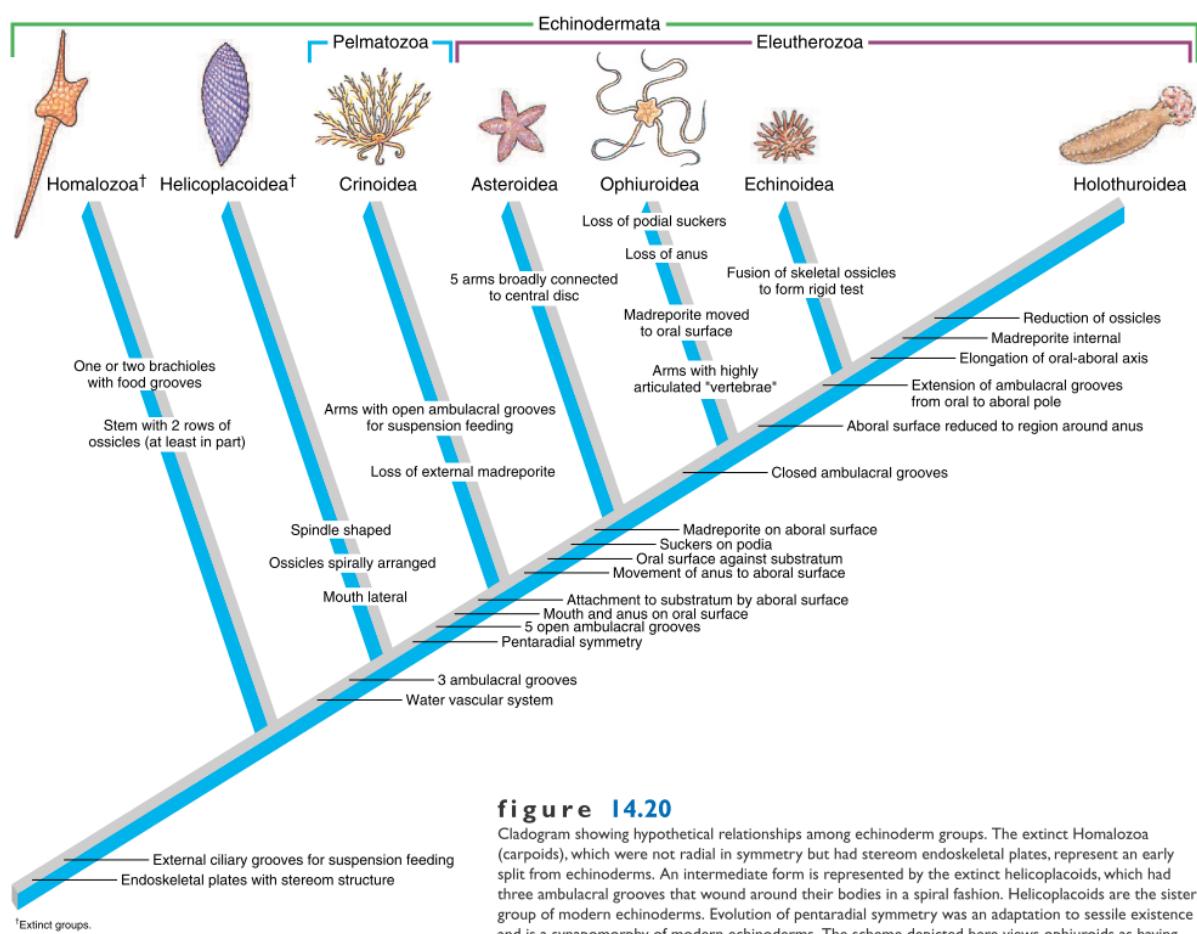
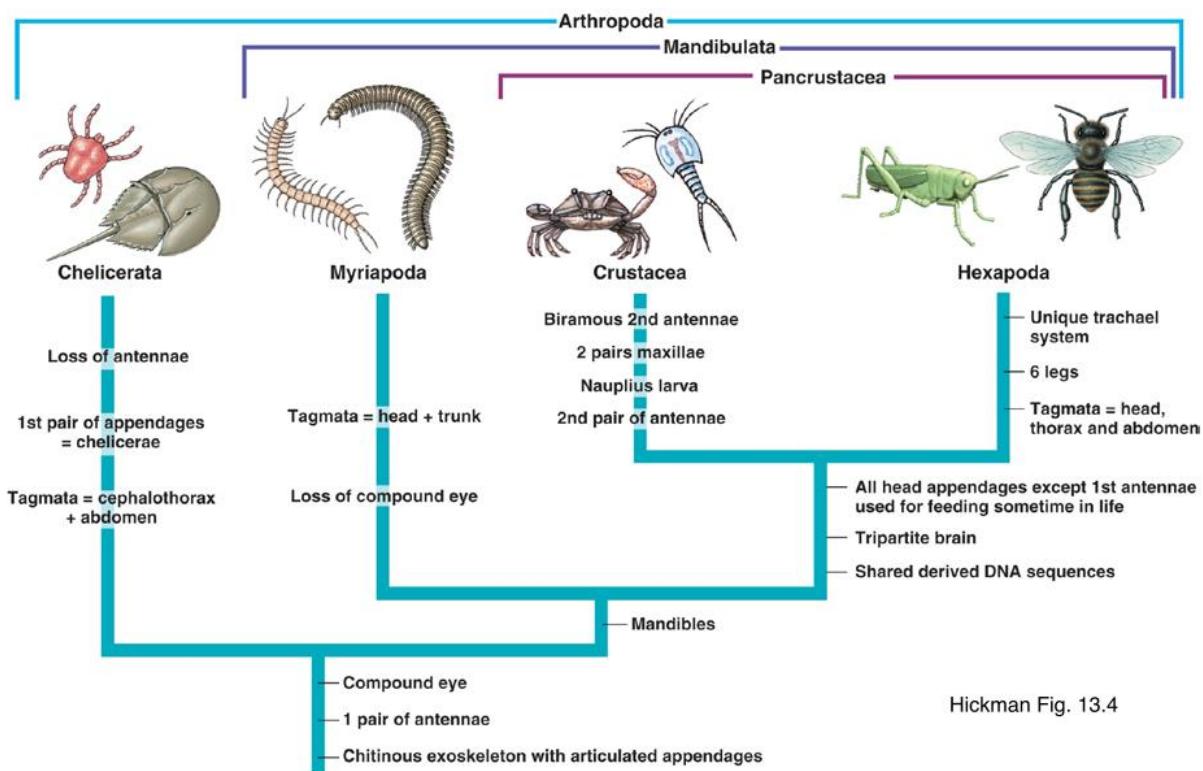


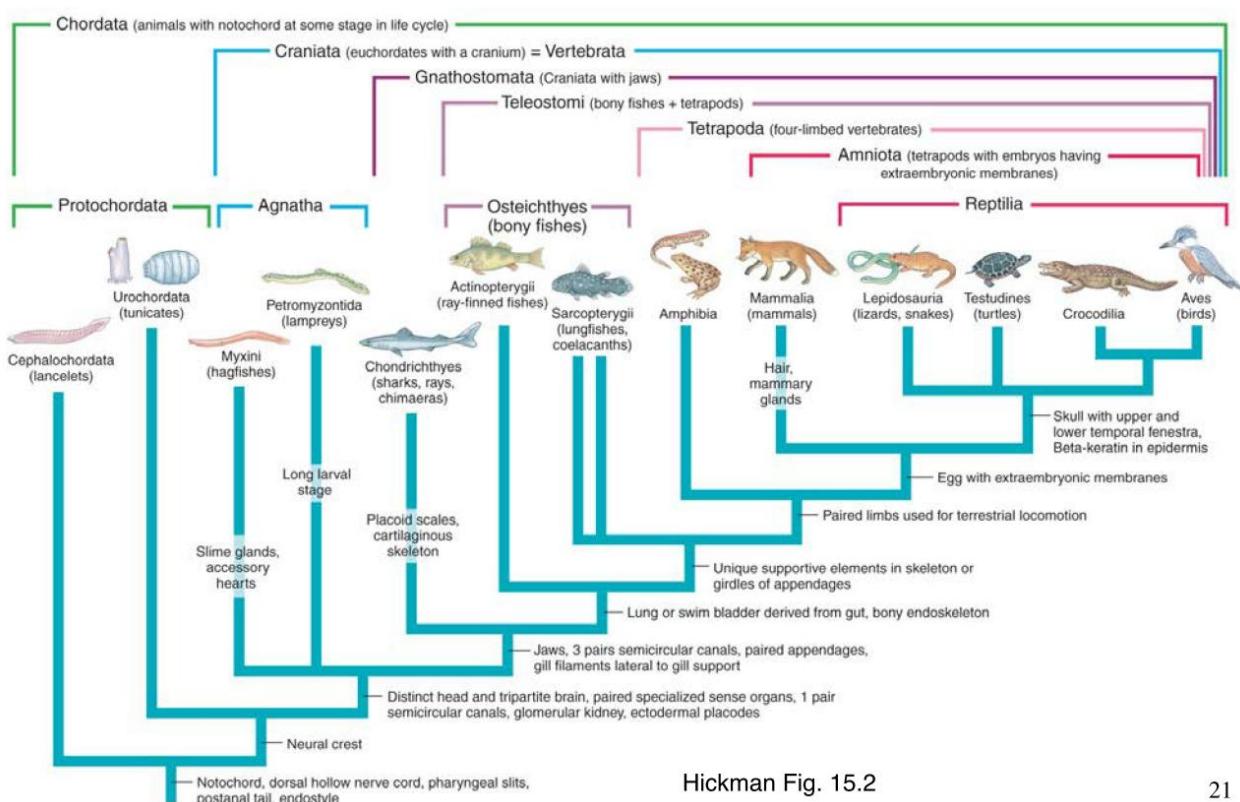
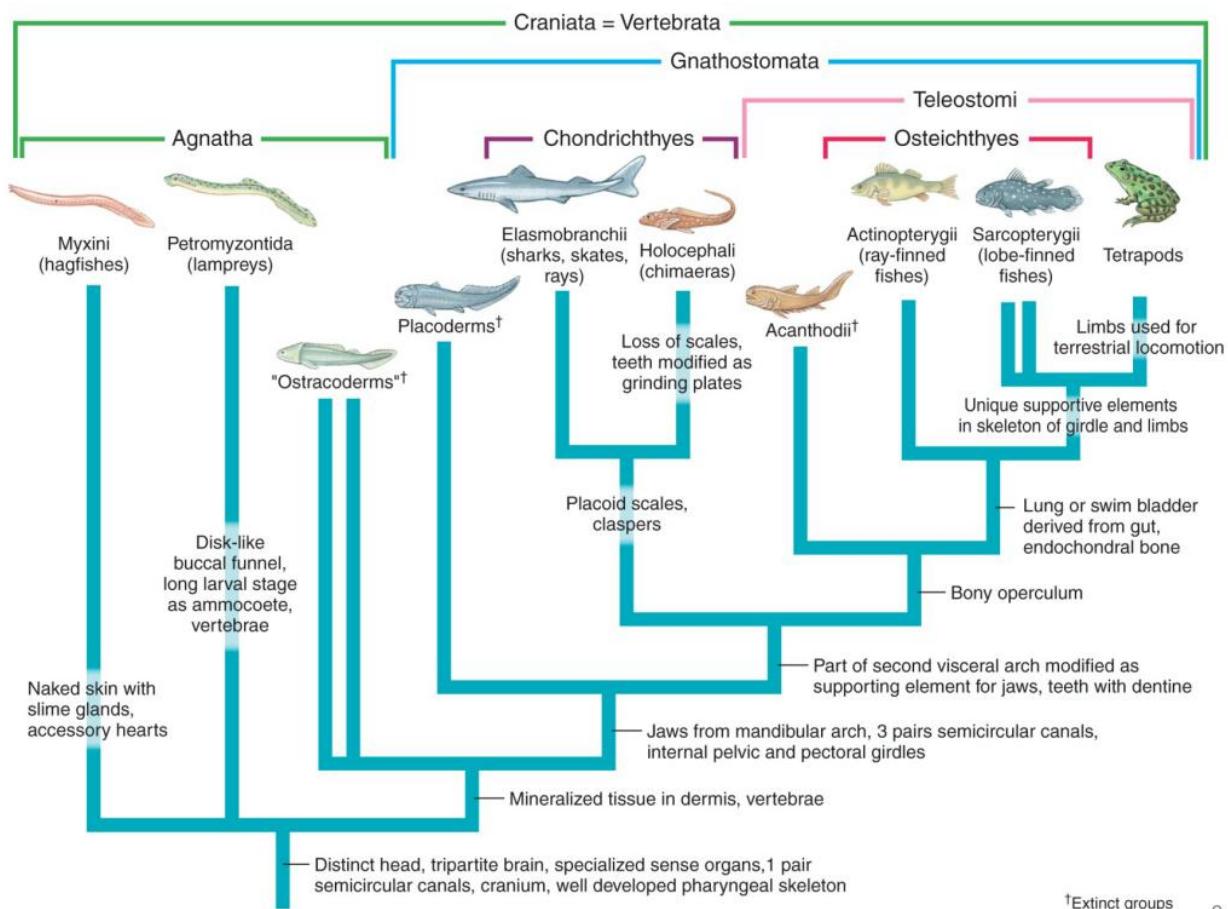
**figure 7.31**

Cladogram showing hypothetical relationships of cnidarian classes with some shared derived characters indicated. This hypothesis suggests that the hydrozoan order Trachylina retains the ancestral cnidarian life cycle, having branched off before the evolution of the polyp stage. Note that this arrangement makes the Hydrozoa paraphyletic; the trachylina-like Hydrozoa is a sister group to all the other Cnidaria.

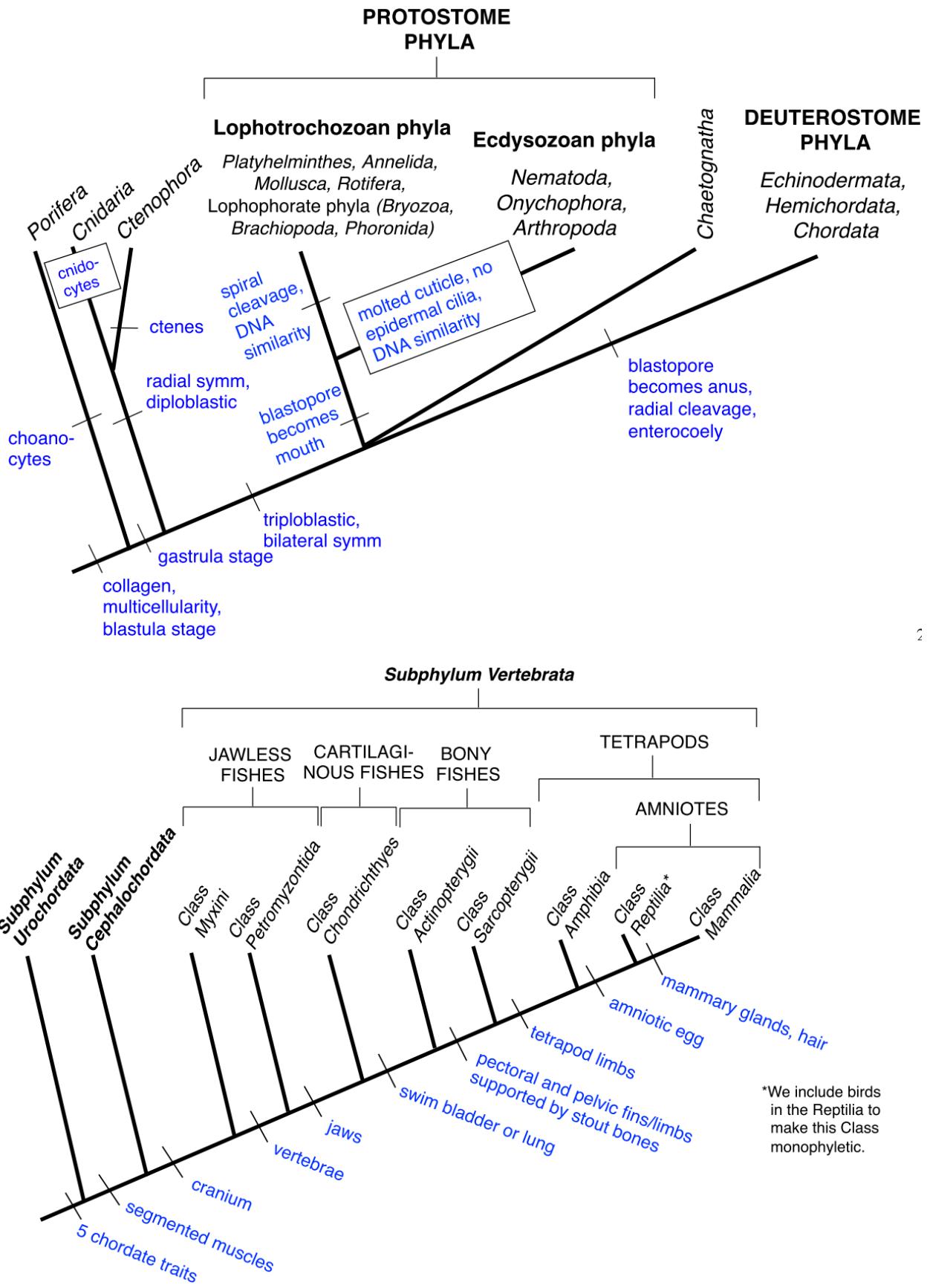
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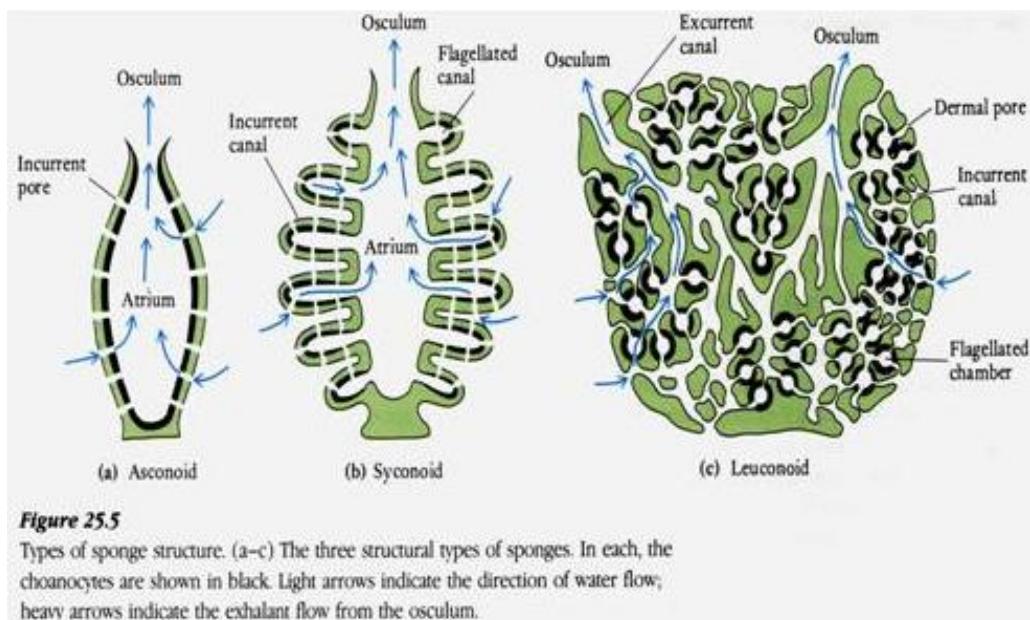
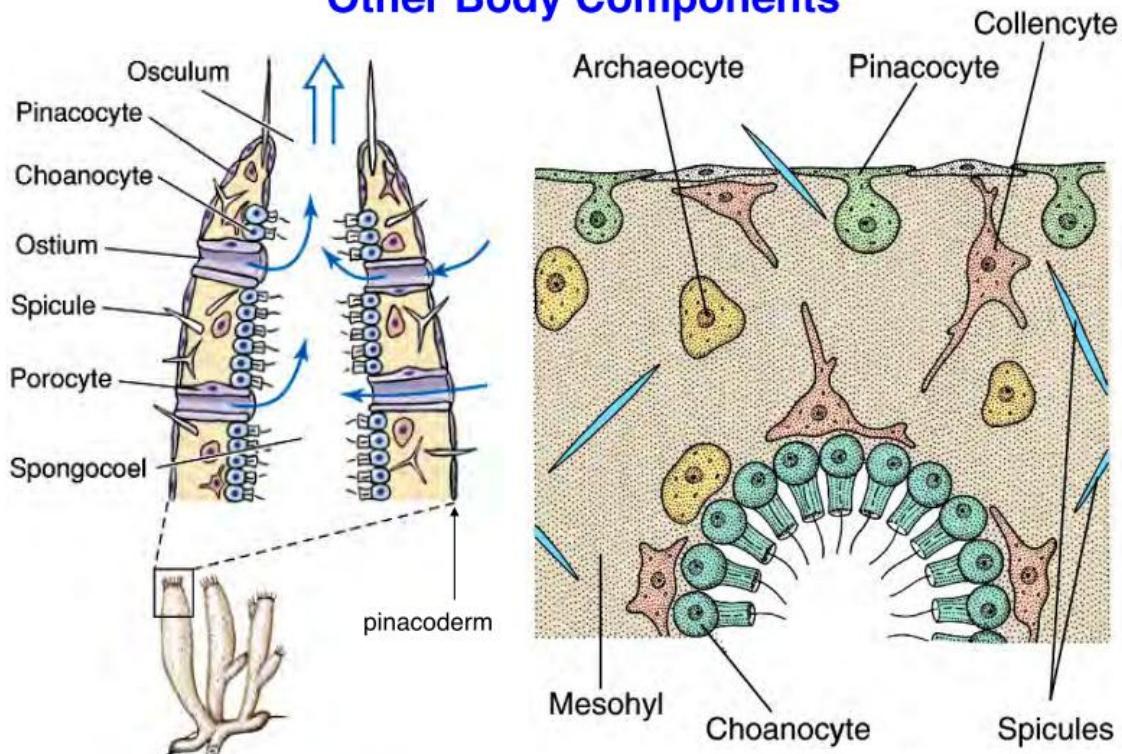


Hickman Fig. 15.2



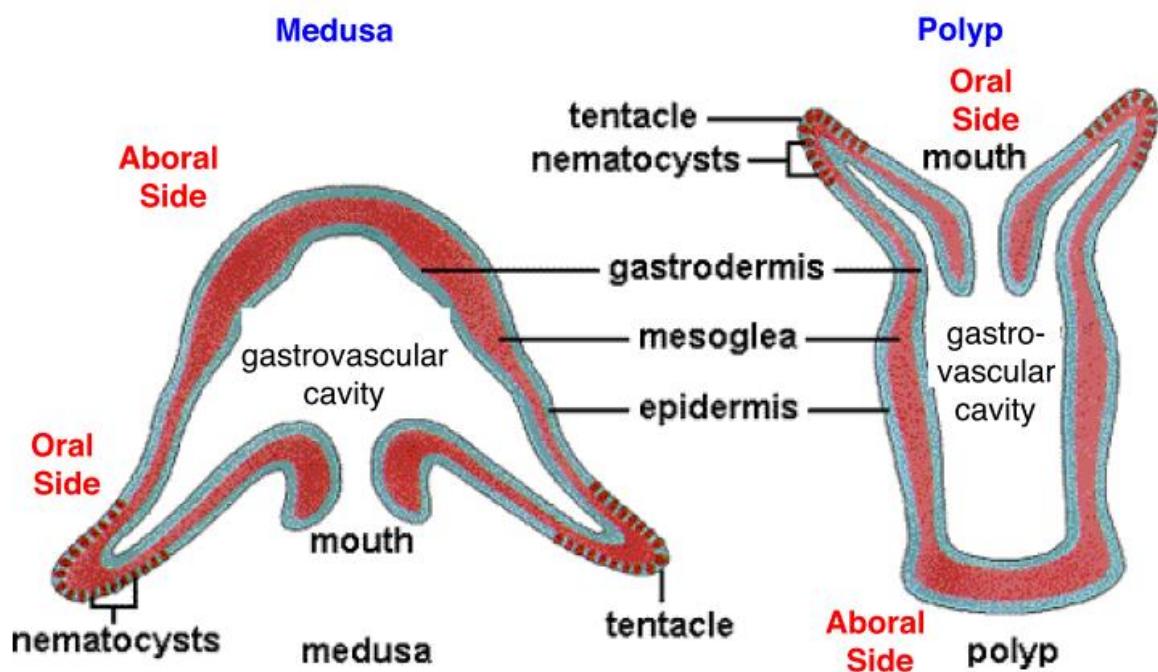
## Key Animal Diagrams

### Other Body Components

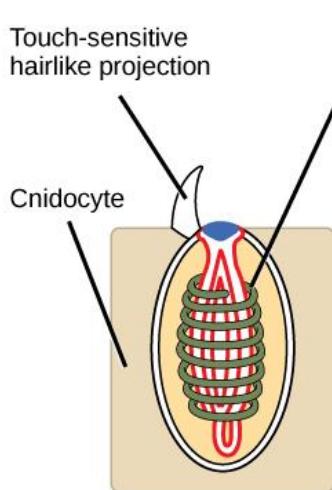


**Figure 25.5**

Types of sponge structure. (a–c) The three structural types of sponges. In each, the choanocytes are shown in black. Light arrows indicate the direction of water flow; heavy arrows indicate the exhalant flow from the osculum.

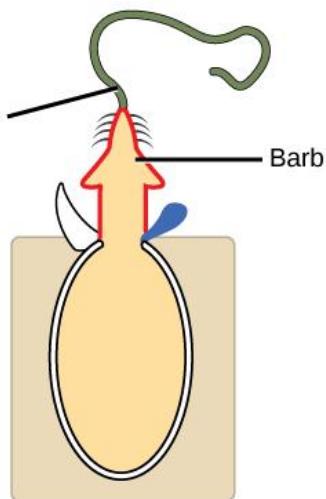


**Generally pelagic**



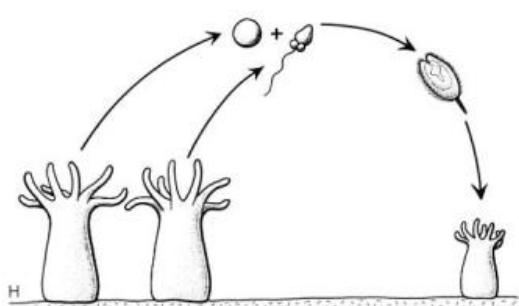
(a) Nematocyst with stored thread and barb

**Generally benthic**

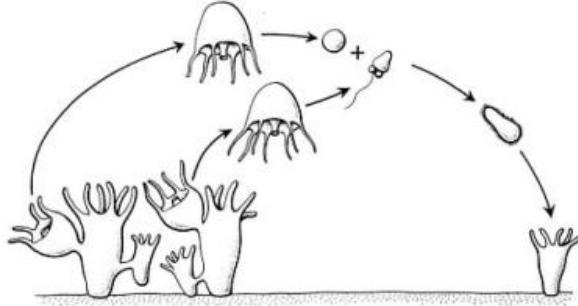


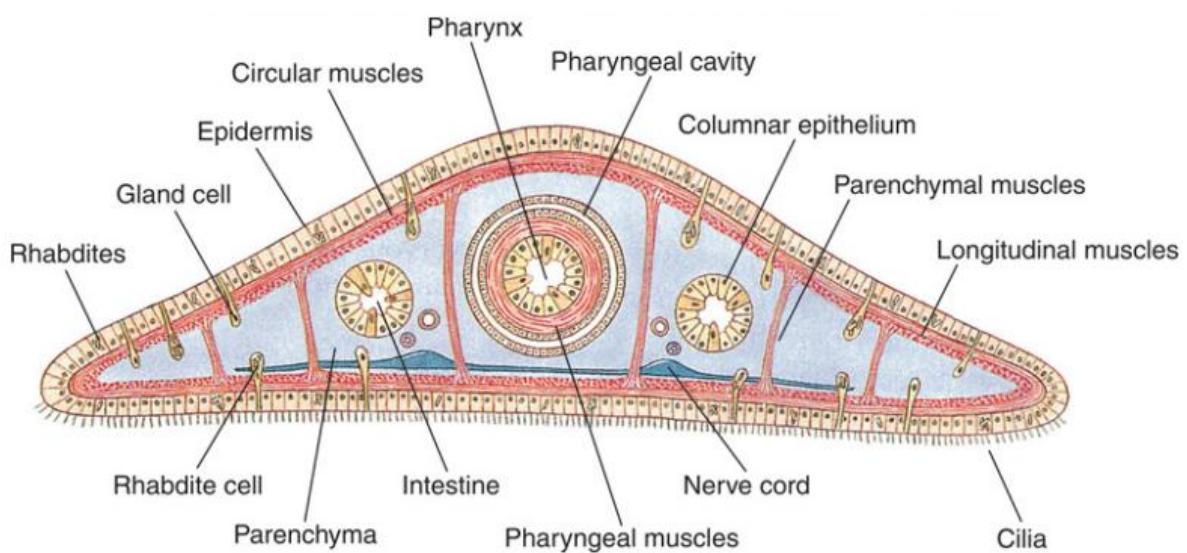
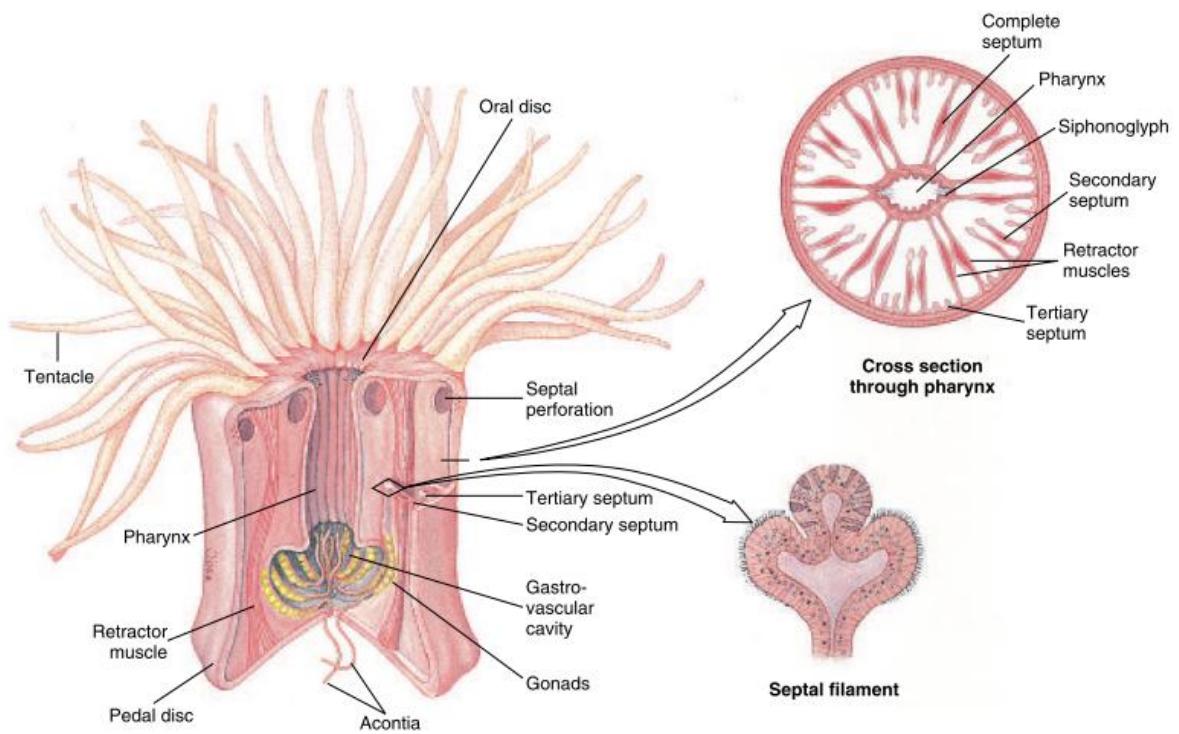
(b) Nematocyst after firing

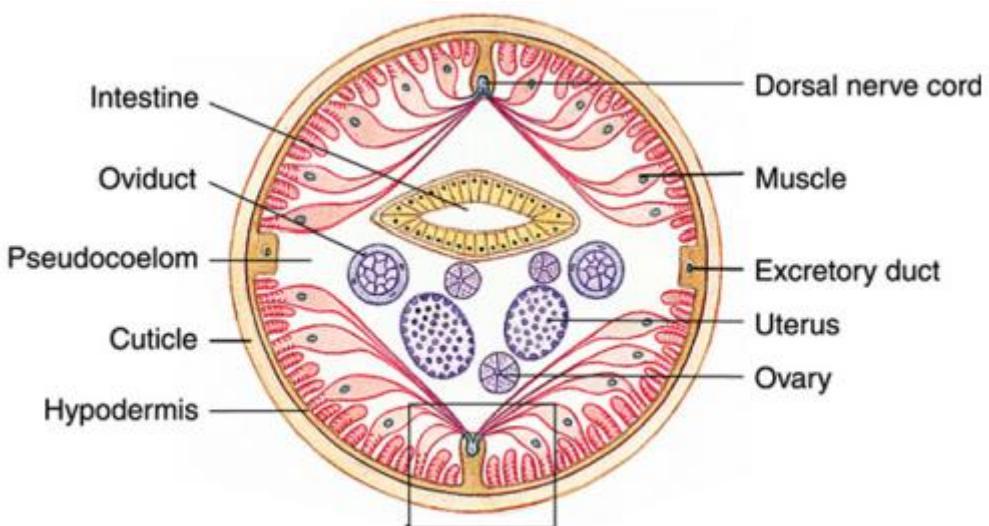
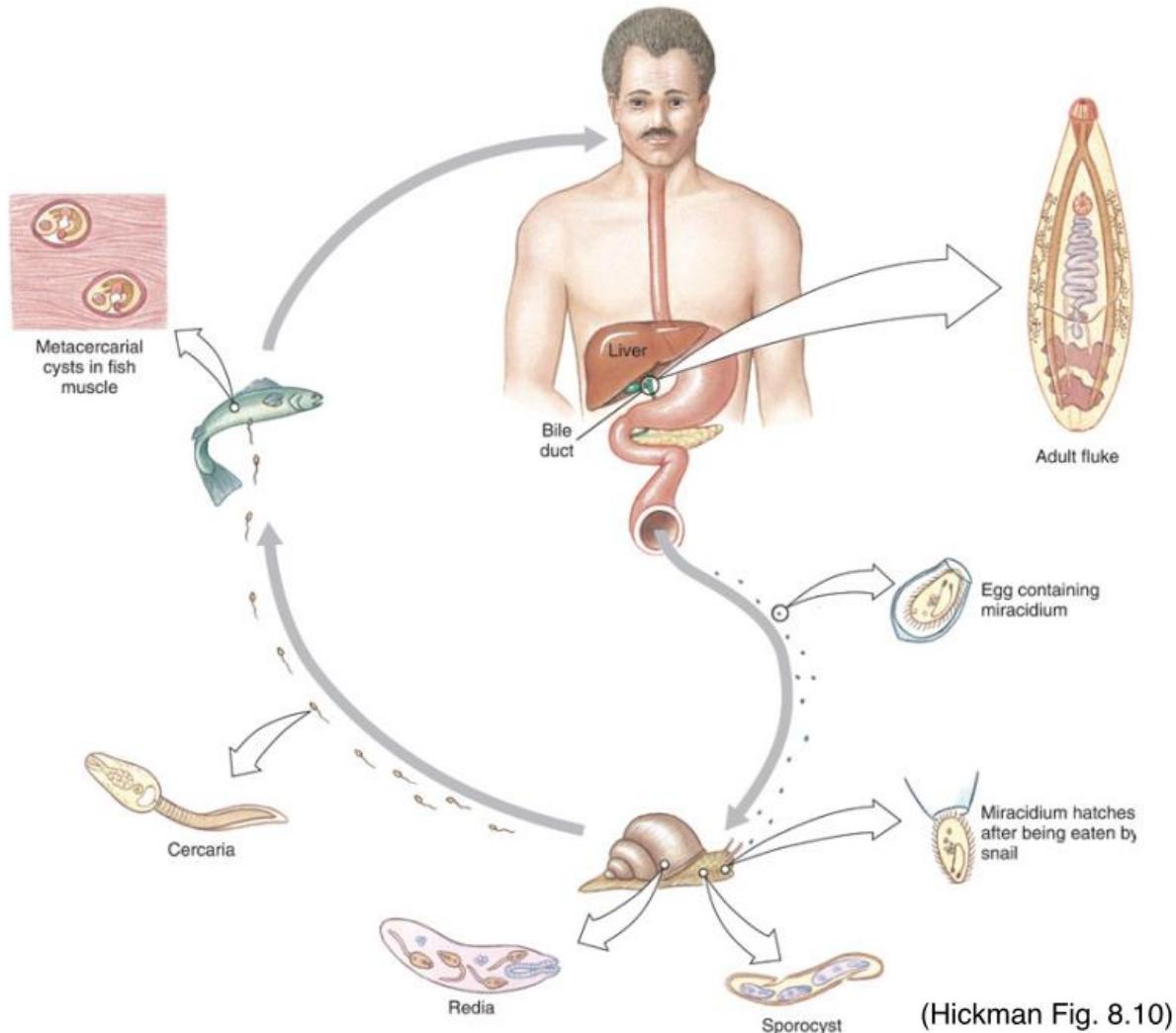
**spawning polyps**

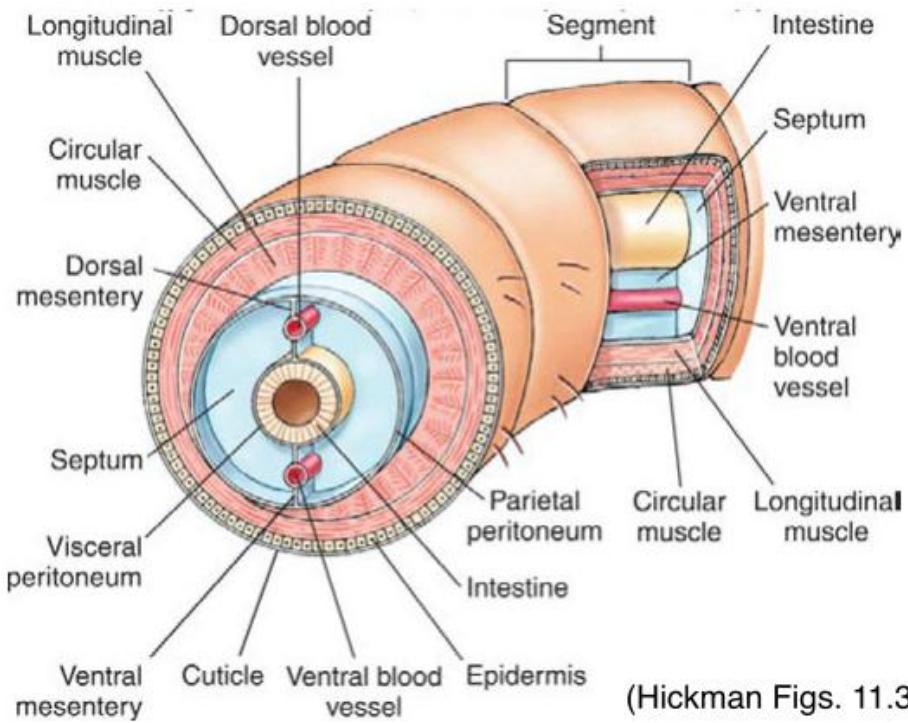


**spawning medusae**

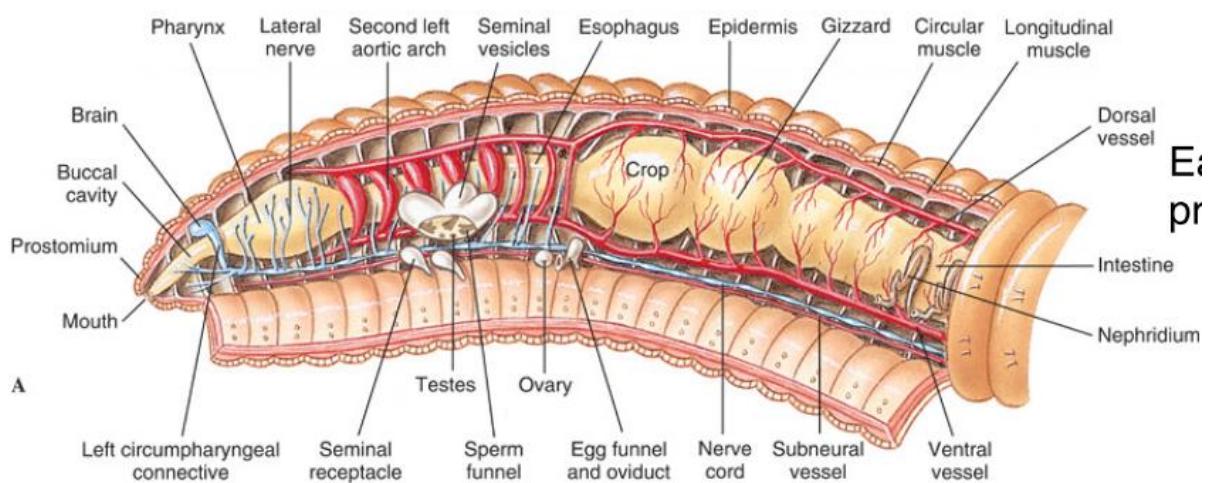
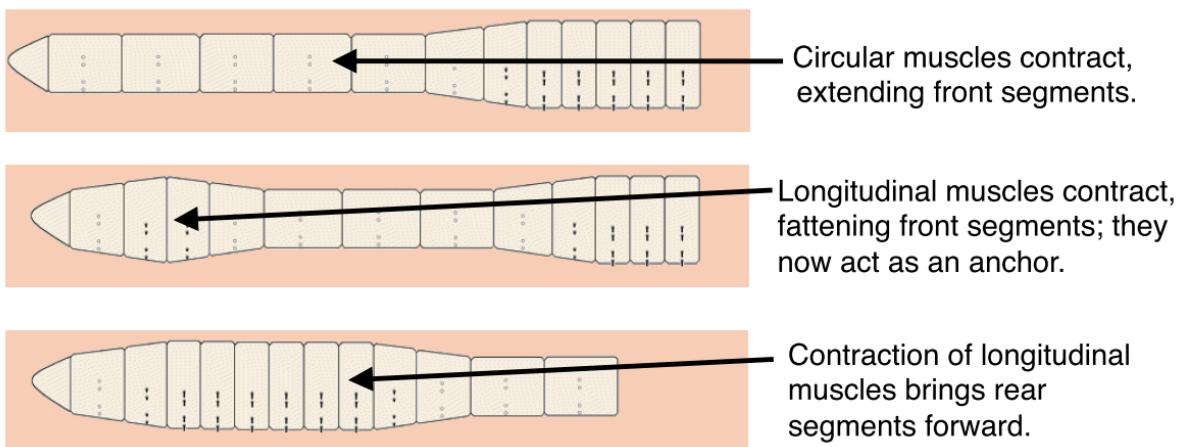




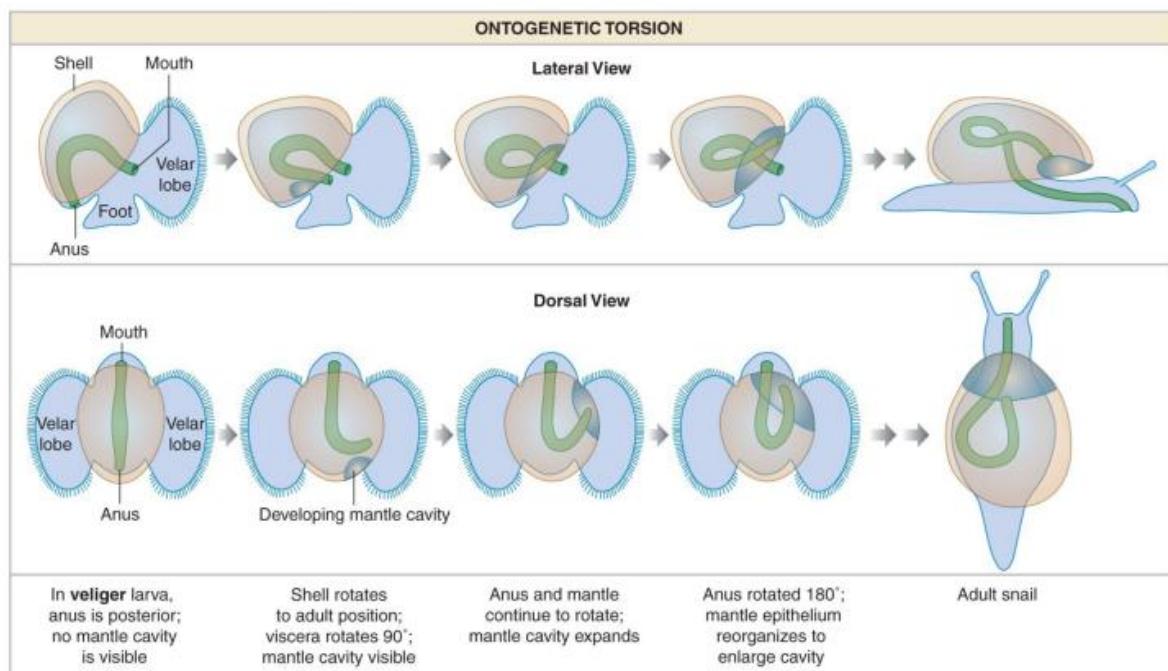
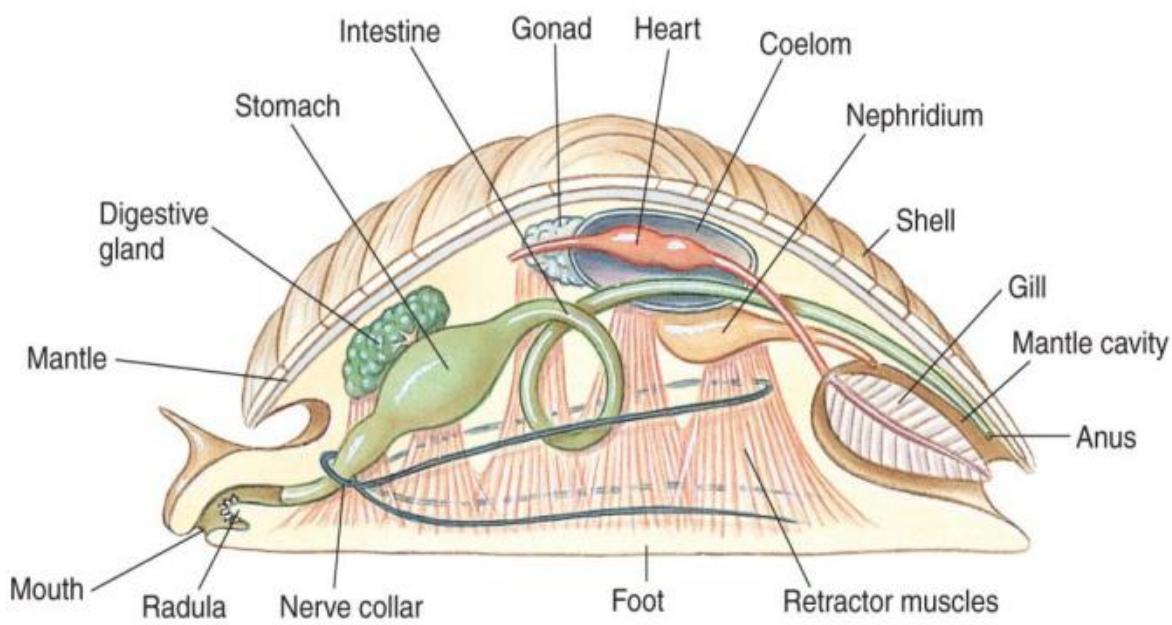


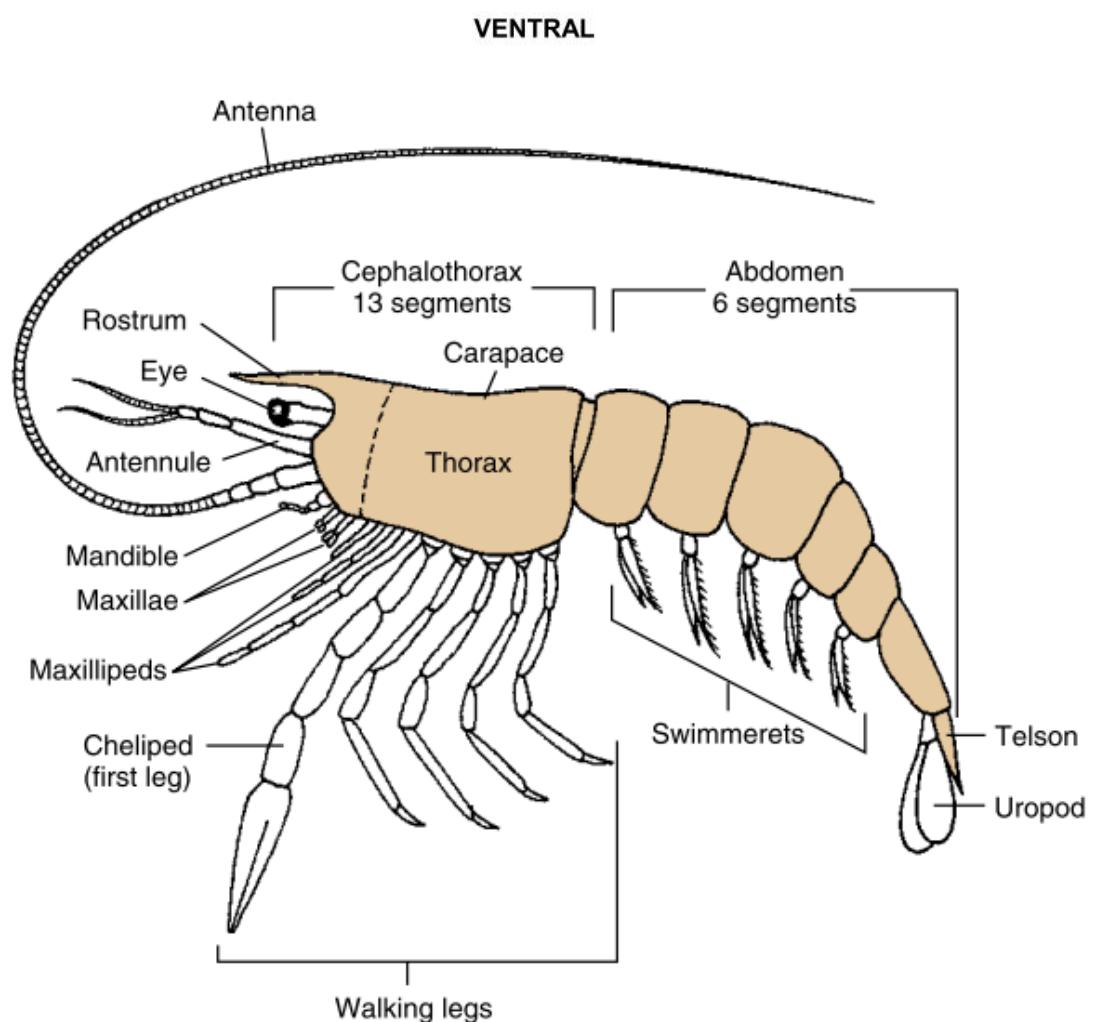
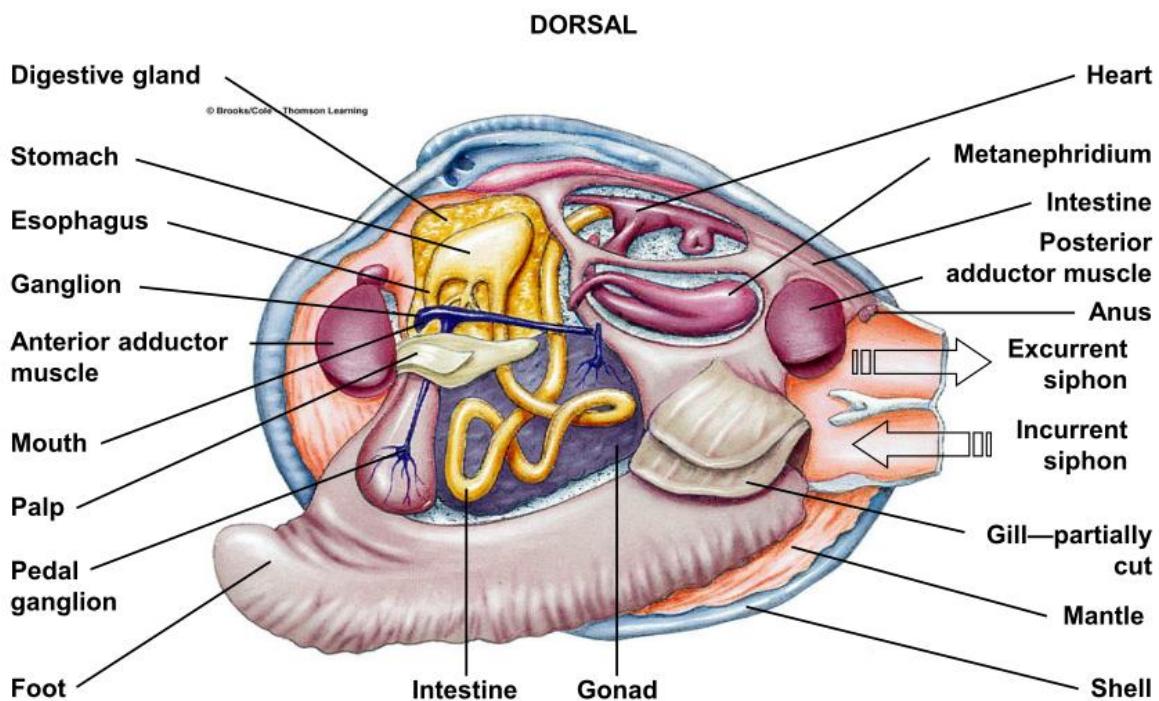


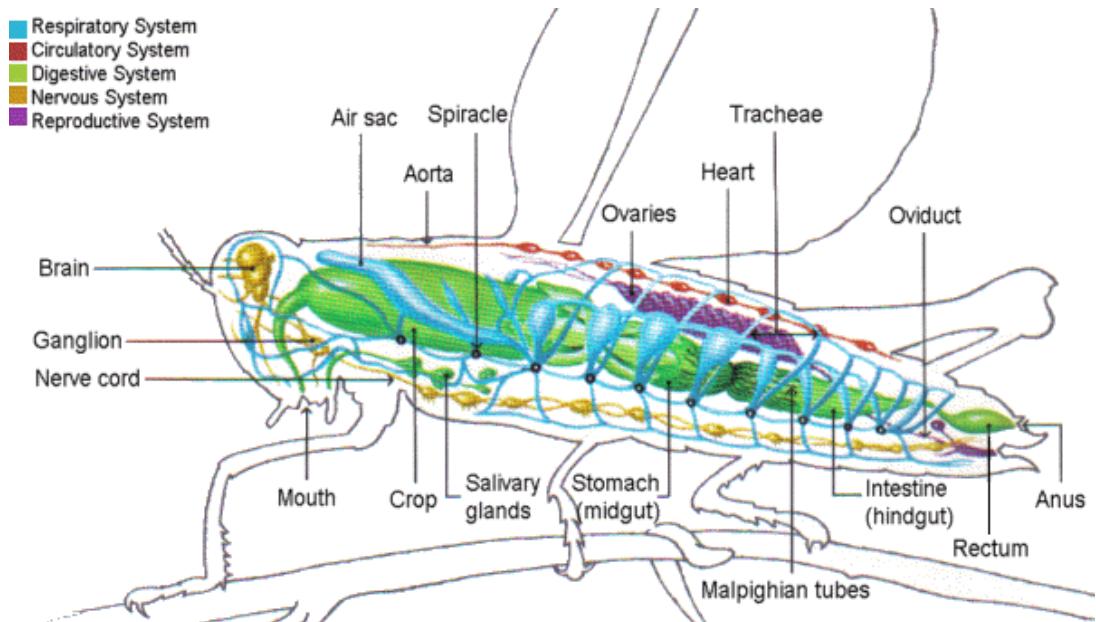
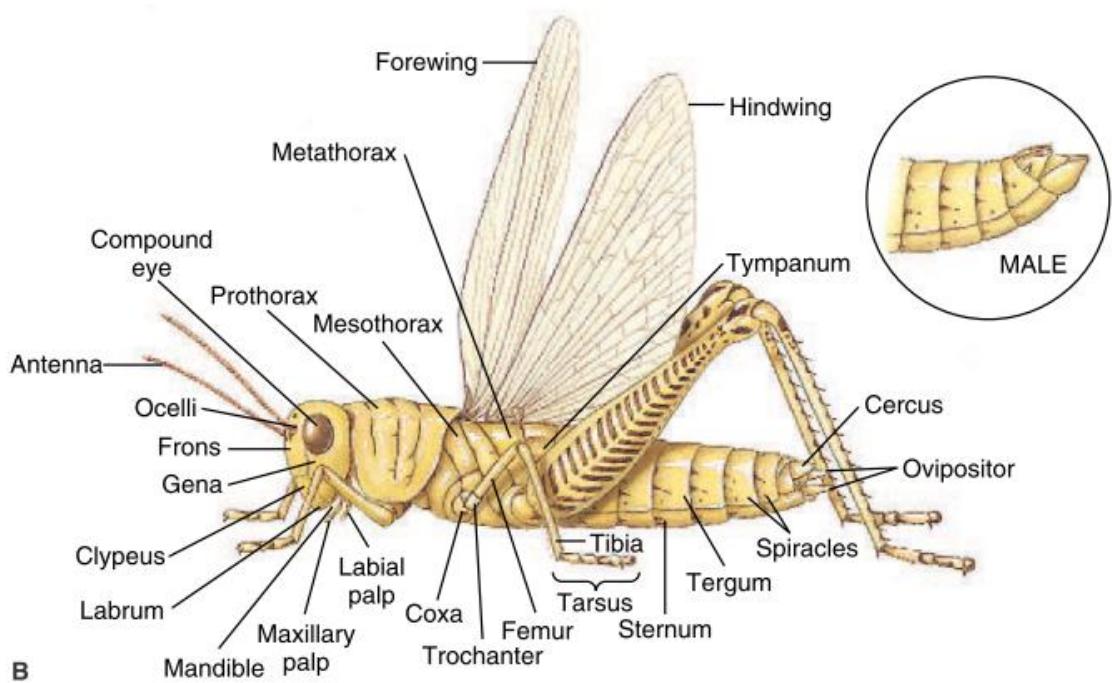
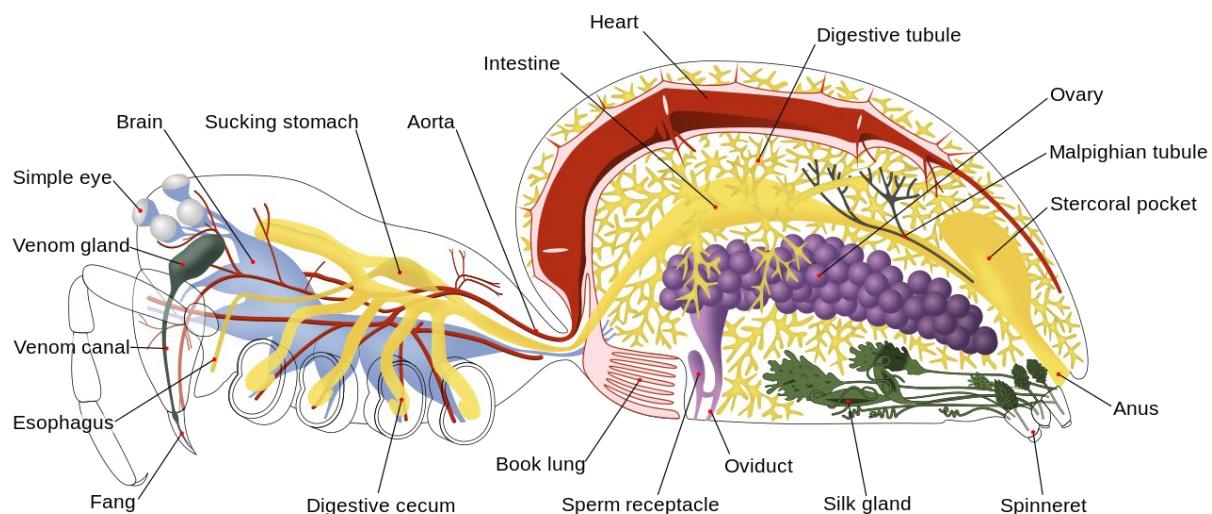
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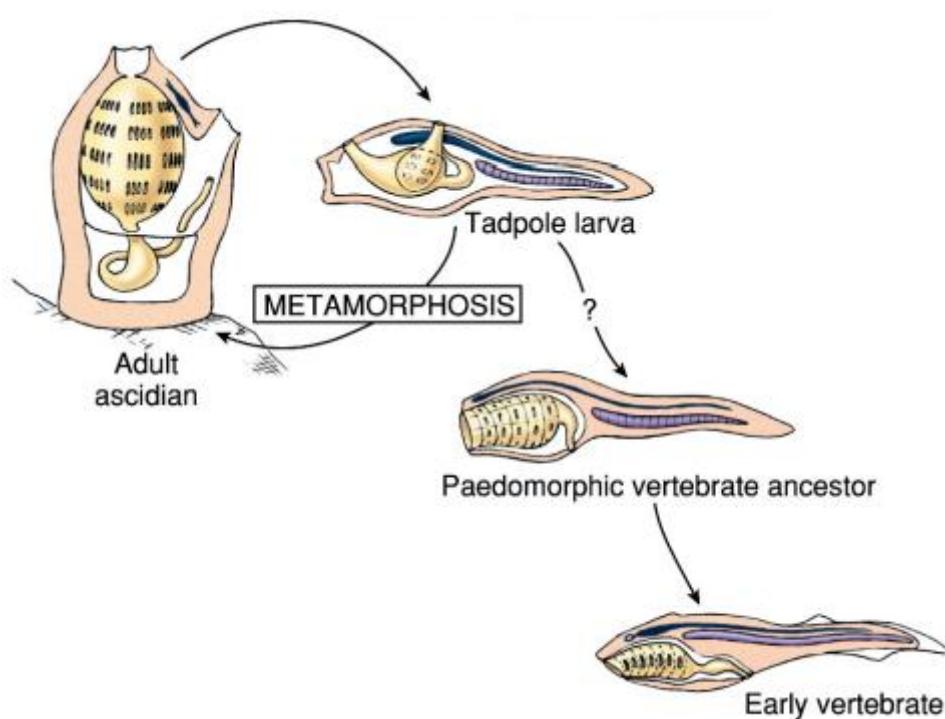
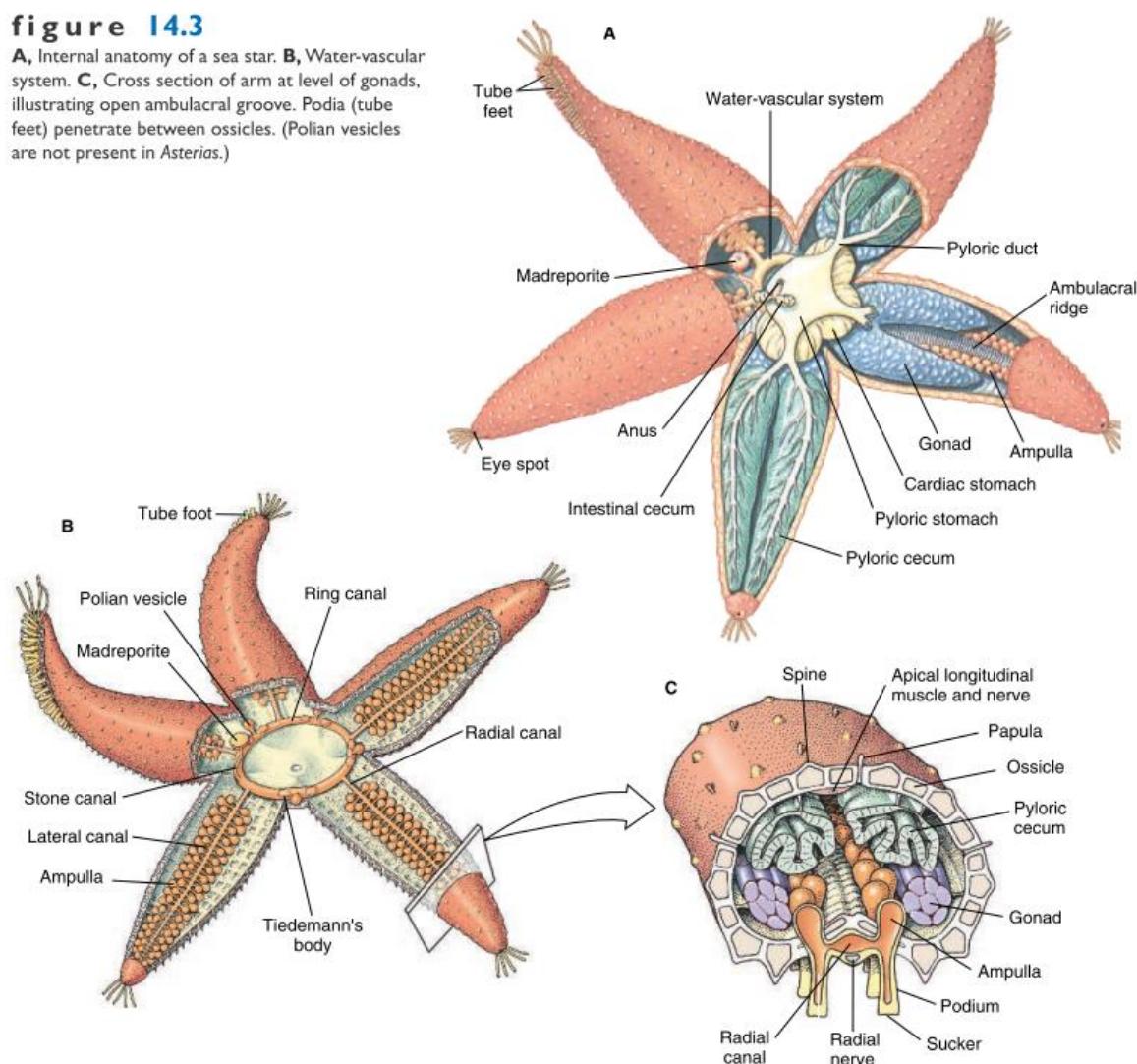


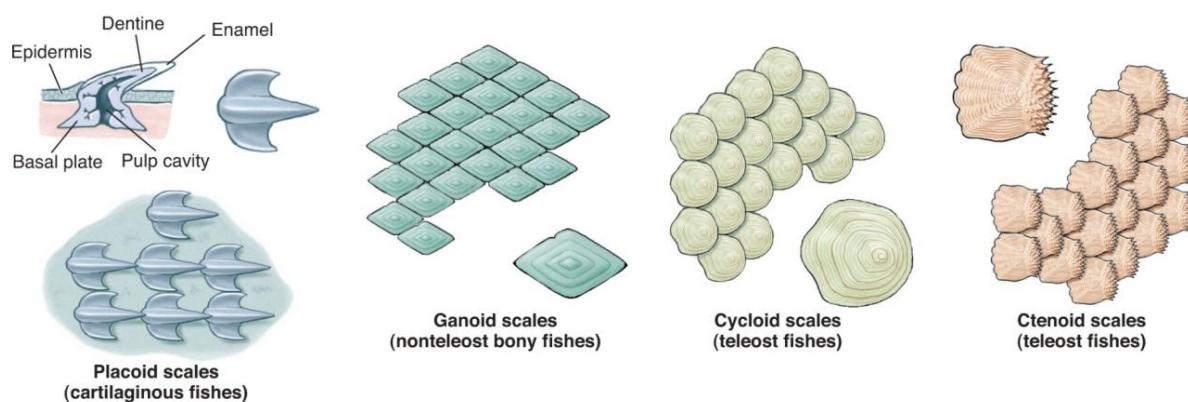
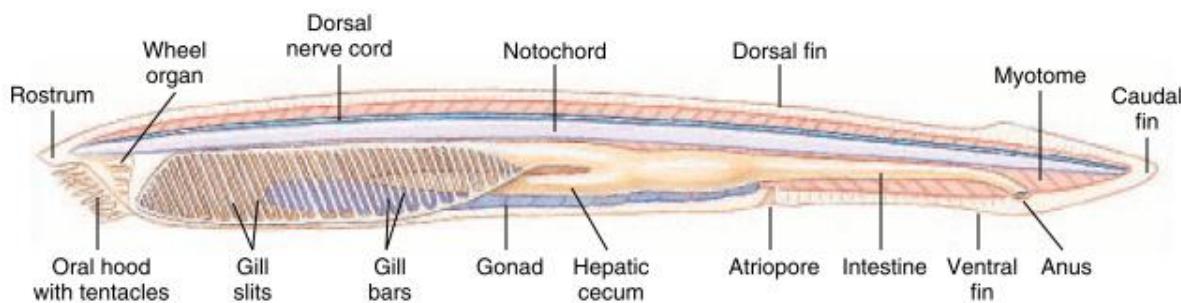
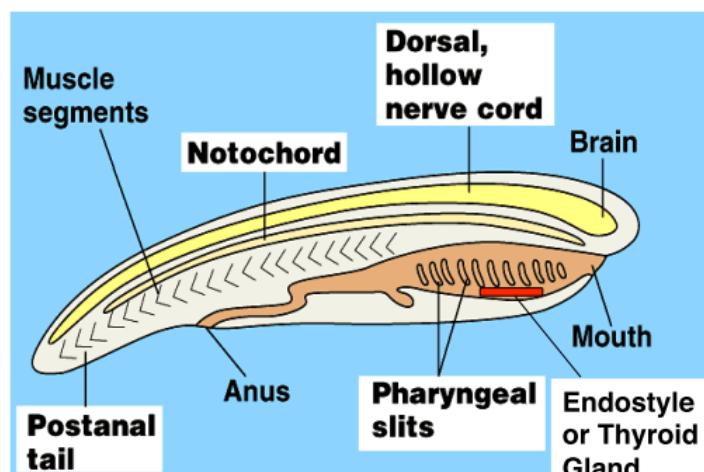
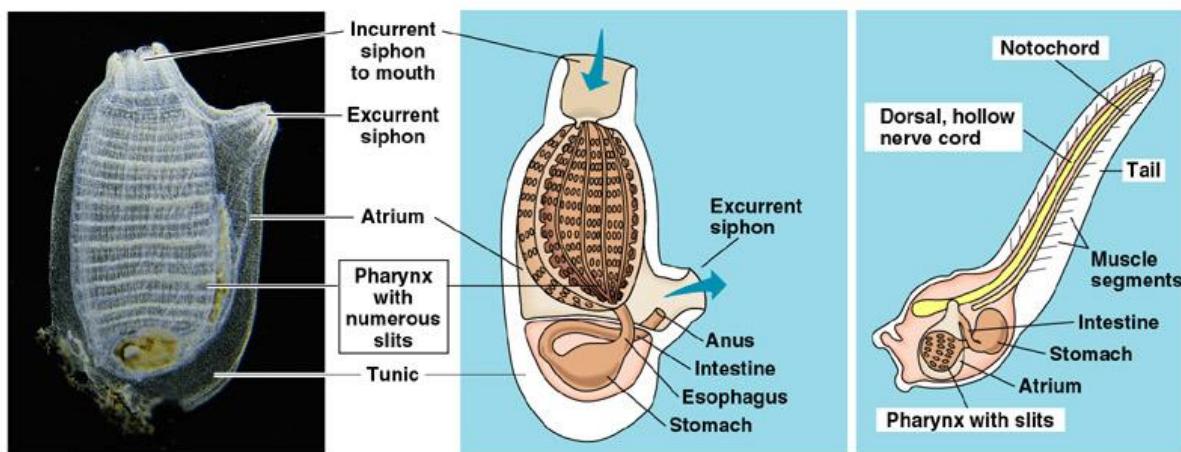


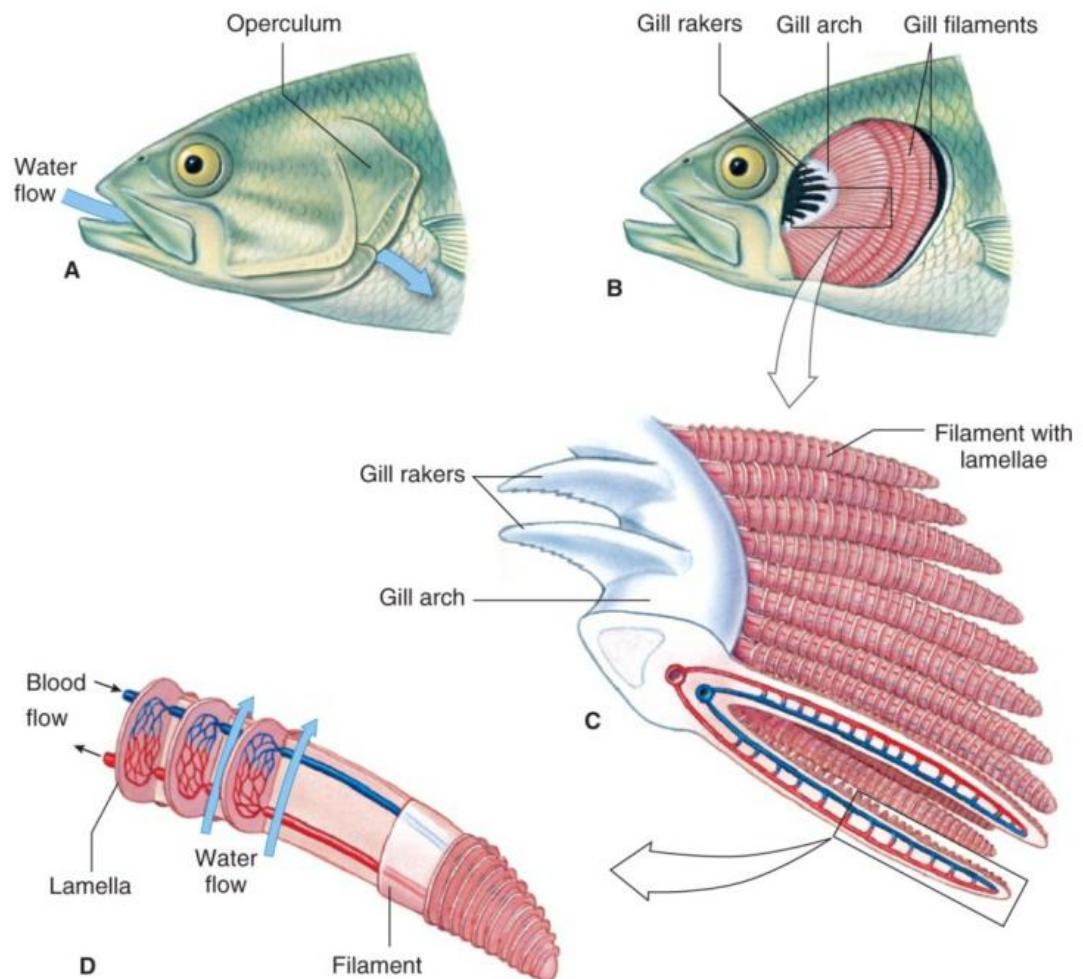
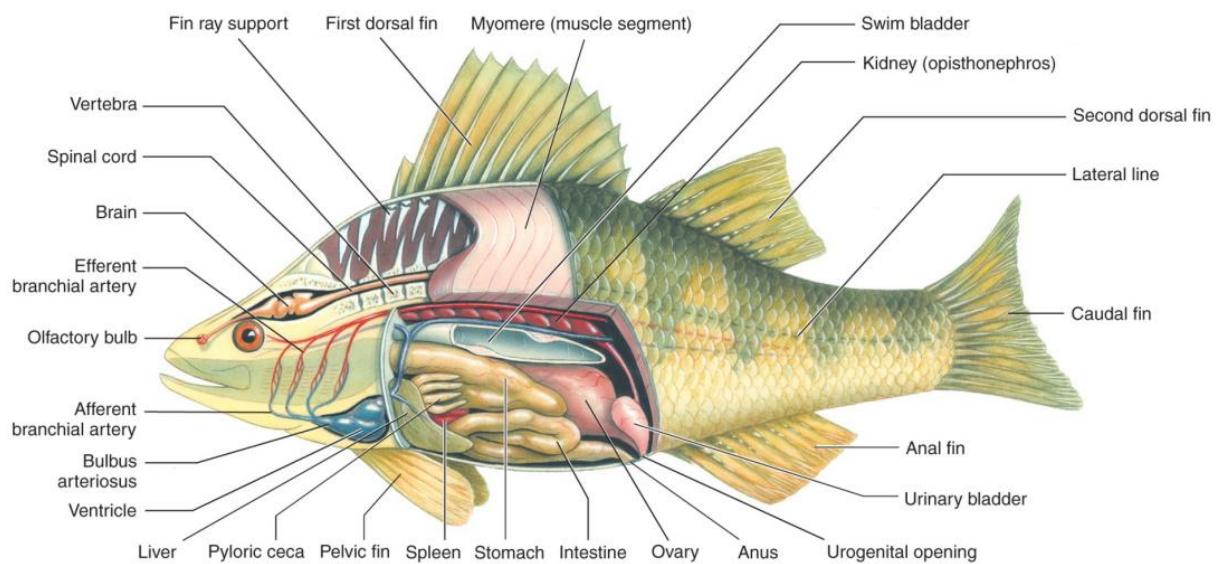


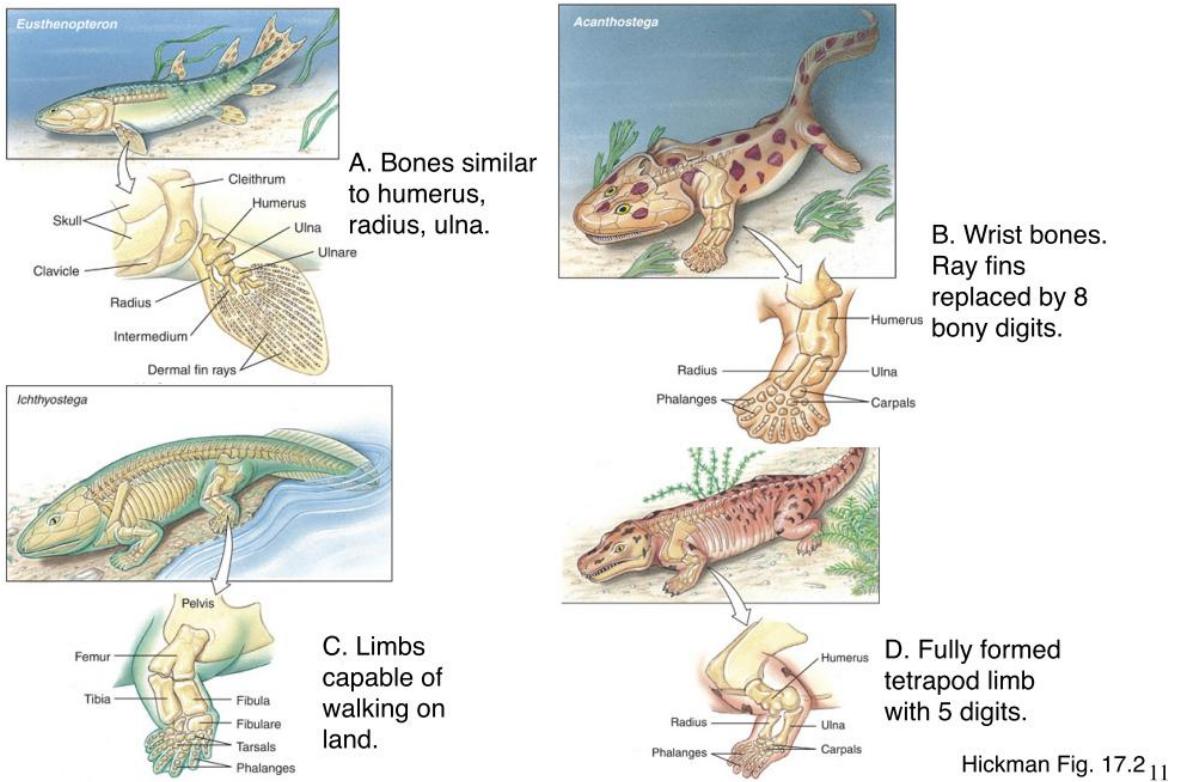
**figure 14.3**

**A**, Internal anatomy of a sea star. **B**, Water-vascular system. **C**, Cross section of arm at level of gonads, illustrating open ambulacral groove. Podia (tube feet) penetrate between ossicles. (Polian vesicles are not present in *Asterias*.)









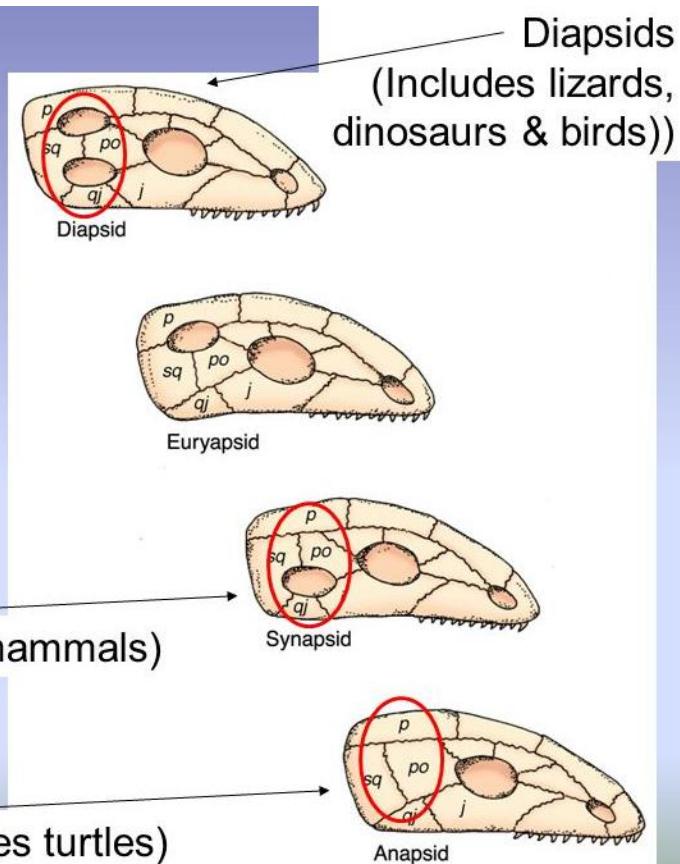
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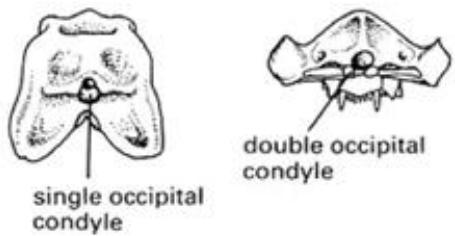
# The Amniotes

Classified  
based on skull  
structure

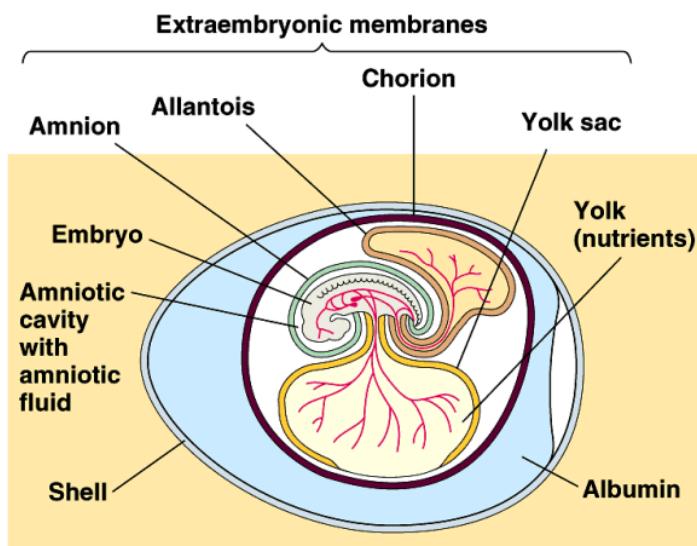
Synapsids (Includes mammals)

Anapsids (Includes turtles)



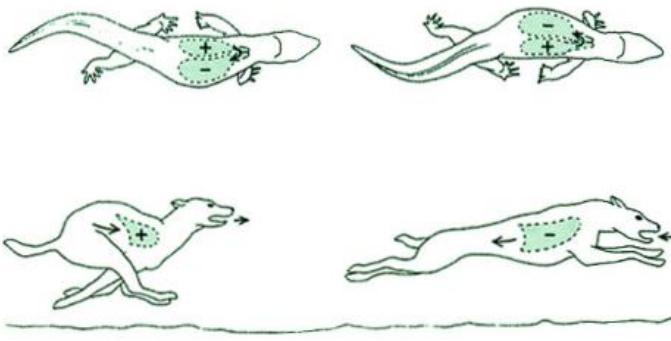


Reptile-like      Mammal-like



Four membranes present around the developing embryo of all amniotes (whether or not there is a shell):

1. **Yolk sac:** contains nutrients.
2. **Chorion:** allows gas exchange with the environment.
3. **Amnion:** surrounds and cushions the embryo with fluid.
4. **Allantois:** stores wastes and allows gas exchange.



- Ancestral form of locomotion is by lateral undulations of trunk (e.g. lizards), which compresses lungs and limits respiration for endurance.
- Improvements include bipedal locomotion (dinosaurs, birds), movements of ribs, pelvis, and organs (crocs, birds), and limb movement independent of trunk bending (mammals).

## Animal Phyla

### Porifera

- **Calcarea:** calcareous sponges, mostly small
- **Hexactinellida:** possess six-rayed siliceous spicules, have continuous syncytial tissue called trabecular reticulum
- **Demospongiae:** Over 80% of sponge species, all are leuconoid, can have siliceous spicules or spongin fibres

### Cnidaria

- **Hydrozoa:** generally have asexual polyp and sexual medusa stages (e.g. *Obelia*), often have polyp colonies consisting of individual zooids including gastrozooids (for feeding), dactylozooids (for defense), and gonangia (reproduction)
- **Scyphozoa** (jellyfishes): medusa with mouth at end of hanging manubria drawn into oral lobes, many tentacles covered with nematocysts, radial and ring canals extend gastrovascular cavity, bell margin contains sense organs (rhopalium) including statocysts (equilibrium) and ocelli (light-sensitive), velum partly covers bell opening and used for swimming
- **Cubozoa** (box jellies): medusa square in profile with a tentacle at each end beginning with a tough pedalium
- **Anthozoa** (sea anemones and corals): no medusa stage, sea anemones have crown of tentacles surrounding oral disc, siphonoglyphs create ciliated water current through pharynx, gastrovascular cavity divided into radial chambers by septa (in multiples of six), corals are like small anemones living in inorganic skeletons they excrete, mutualistic coralline algae (zooxanthellae) help build, many corals have eight-fold symmetry
- **Ctenophora** (comb jellies): separate phylum, no nematocysts, free-swimming, surface covered with rows of ciliated comb plates for locomotion, long tentacles bear colloblast cells excreting glue for hunting small prey

### Platyhelminthes

- **Tubellaria:** free living worms with simple life cycles, move by beating of cilia
- **Trematoda** (parasitic flukes): mostly parasitise vertebrates, have hooks and suckers for adhesion to host, responsible for schistosomiasis
- **Monogenea** (monogenetic flukes): small, external parasites clamping onto gills of fish using an opisthaptor, usually don't cause disease
- **Cestoda** (tapeworms): long flat bodies, no digestive system, obtain nutrients across body surface using microvilli to increase surface area, hold on by scolex organ of attachment, composed of many reproductive units called proglottids

### Annelida

- **Polychaeta** (sea worms): have well-developed head with specialised appendages (parapodia) for feeding, prostomium (head) may contain sensory organs, gonads only appear temporarily
- **Oligochaeta** (earthworms): feed on vegetable matter at night, closed circulatory system, clitellum, some aquatic forms have gills
- **Hirudinea** (leeches): no setae, generally parasitic, have muscular proboscis or pharynx for feeding on blood, no internal septa, locomotion by swimming and inch-worm movement

## Mollusca

- **Polyplacophora** (chitons): flattened with convex dorsal surface containing eight plates, generally sessile on rocks holding on with broad foot, subradular protrudes for sensing and radular for feeding, water flows over gills and also carries gametes
- **Gastropoda** (snails and slugs): many have shells and often coiled, operculum covers shell aperture when body withdraws into shell, during torsion mantle cavity rotates around to make anus anterior, coiling involves shell becoming asymmetrical to increase compactness and shifted over to adjust weight evenly
  - **Prosobranchia** which respire by gills and in which torsion is evident (anterior mantle cavity, gills and anus)
  - **Opisthobranchia** which display detorsion, shell and mantle cavity reduced or absent, and many species secondarily bilaterally symmetrical. Sea hares and sea slugs are familiar members
  - **Pulmonata** - include land snails, also include freshwater snails and slugs; some display detorsion, gills gone, mantle cavity now a lung
- **Bivalvia** (mussels, clams, oysters): filter feeders with incurrent and excurrent siphons on same side protruding in-between two shells, hinge ligament and adductor muscles connect shells, cilia move food particles along gill to mouth, move using extended foot or attach using byssal threads
- **Cephalopoda** (quids, octopuses, nautilus): swim by ejecting water from ventral funnel of mantle cavity, octopuses have eight suckered arms (one specialised for production called hectocotylus), squids eight arms and a pair of long tentacles, possess chromatophores in skin allowing rapid colour changes, squirt ink to confuse predators, grab prey with jaws and tear with radula, closed circulatory system, have multiple ancillary hearts, use copper-based haemocyanin oxygen transport proteins

## Arthropoda

- **Cheliceraata:** six pairs of appendages (a chelicerae, a pedipalps, four legs), no mandibles or antennae
  - **Xiphosurida** (horseshoe crabs): unsegmented horseshoe-shaped carapace and a long spineline telson, exposed book gills
  - **Pycognida** (sea spiders): reduced abdomen and long spindly legs, suck juices from soft-bodied prey using proboscis
  - **Araneae** (spiders): non-segmented cephalothorax and abdomen connected by narrow pedicel, chelicerae act as fangs, book lungs for respiration, air trachea, malpighian tubules for excretion, sensory setae for sensing vibrations, silk glands connect to spinnerets
  - **Scorpionida** (scorpions): large claw-like pedipalps, bear live young, telson with poison stinger
  - **Opiliones** (harvestmen): look like spiders will long spindly legs, no pedicel
  - **Acaris** (ticks and mites): fused cephalothorax and abdomen, small anterior capitulum carries mouth, feed on dermal tissues of vertebrates or suck blood
- **Crustacea:** two pairs of antennae, mandibles, two pairs of maxillae, more legs and swimmerets, all appendages biramous, have head, thorax and abdomen, undergo ecdysis
  - **Brachiopoda** (shrimp): appendages include uropod (paddles), swimmerets (for swimming), walking legs (five pairs), chelipeds (first pair of walking legs with large

- claw), maxillipeds and maxillae (food handling), mandible (teeth), and antennae (sensing), many have chemoreceptive aesthetascs on antennules
- **Maxillopoda** (copepods, barnacles): no appendages on abdomen, posses maxillopodan eye
- **Malacostraca** (crabs, lobsters, crayfish, isopods): many are decapods with ten legs, crabs have broader carapace and reduced abdomen
- **Uniramia:** unbranched appendages (uniramous), one pair of antennae
  - **Chilopoda** (centipedes): flattened bodies, many somites each with one pair of legs, poison claws kill pray
  - **Diplopoda** (millipedes): mostly herbivorous, two pairs of legs per somite
  - **Insecta** (insects): three pairs of legs and two pairs of wings, single pair of antennae, flight muscles can be direct or indirect, crop for food storage and proventriculus for grinding, mouthparts highly variable for sucking (labrum), biting, or piercing (labium), gas exchange by tracheal system opening at spiracles, excretion by malpighian tubules, some undergo holometabolous (complete) or hemimetabolous (slow change) metamorphosis, wings evagination of cuticle

## Echinodermata

- **Astroidea** (sea stars): generally five arms (can be more), ambulacral grooves radiate under arms with tube feet protruding, can regenerate whole organism from only portion of central disk and one arm, lay eggs in water and hatch free-swimming larvae, madreporite on inner ring canal, pedicellariae have claw-like ossicles for defence or predation, prey swallowed whole or stomach everted
- **Ophiuroidea** (brittle stars): slender arms easily removed, tube feet lack suckers, lack papulae, five toothed jaws surround ventral mouth, no visceral organs in arms, water circulates around bursae sacs for gas exchange, pull themselves along with arms
- **Echinoidea** (sea urchins): body enclosed in endoskeletal shell called a test, stiff spines cover upper surface, ventral mouth surrounded by teeth
- **Holothuroidea** (sea cucumbers): elongated oral-arborally, reduced ossicles resulting in soft body, retractile oral tentacles for feeding, move by contractions of muscular upper body, respiratory tree for gas exchange
- **Crinoidea** (sea daisies): main body is cuplike on the end of a stalk/cirri, anus on same side as mouth, some can crawl on cirri

## Chordates

- **Urochordata:** filter feeders, larva are free-swimming but adults sessile losing most chordate traits, exoskeletal tunic contains cellulose
- **Cephalochordata:** small benthic filter-feeders with limited mobility, segmented muscles (myomeres), gill slits and nephridia also segmented
- **Chondrichtyes:** sharks have a heterocercal (asymmetrical) tail and replaceable rows of teeth, no operculum, no swim bladder
- **Osteichthyes:** includes Sarcopterygii (lobed) and Actinopterygii (finned) varieties, most are teleosts, swim bladder adjusts volume to maintain neutral buoyancy, operculum maintains water flow over gills, freshwater fish are hyperosmotic (don't drink), marine are hypoosmotic (excrete salt), measure age by otolith growth

- **Amphibians:** ectothermic, cloaca, only partly adapted for terrestrial living, still have aquatic larvae, respiration across skin, external fertilisation in water, force air into lungs by throat, frogs brood young on back or in mouth
- **Reptiles:** evolved amniotic egg, thicker waterproof skin, stronger jaws, internal fertilisation, water-conserving excretory system, cloaca, breath by inflating ribs but no diaphragm
- **Birds:** feathers homologous to scales, no teeth in keratinized beak, endothermic, pneumatic bones, flexible S-shaped neck, keel-shaped sternum for attachment of flight muscles, adaptive zone filled with insects and absent predators, food stored in crop and ground up in gizzard to compensate for lack of teeth and hands, excrete uric acid, dual-stroke respiration cycle due to posterior air sacs
- **Mammals:** homeothermic, no cloaca (other than monotremes), mammary glands, hair of keratin, sweat, scent, and sebaceous (oil) glands
  - **Prototherians** (monotremes): egg laying (oviparous) mammals
  - **Metatherians:** pouched viviparous mammals very altricial young
  - **Eutherians:** placental viviparous mammals more precocious young

### Minor Phyla

- **Onychophora** (velvet worms): similar to annelids, live in leaf litter, predators using sticky slime to catch prey, coelomate protostomes, soft cuticle with paired unjoined appendages, cuticle molted, possess tracheae
- **Hemichordata:** all benthic marine species
  - **Enteropneusta** (acorn worm): consist of proboscis, collar, and trunk, not segmented, dorsal nerve cord and pharyngeal slits but no notochord, breathes through skin, open circulatory system, complete digestive system
  - **Pterobranchia:** ancestral to deuterostomes, small colonial animals, similar in appearance to lophophore, U-shaped digestion
- **Ectoprocta** (bryozoa): polypides (animals) live in zoecium (calcareous exoskeleton) from which lophophore is extended by muscle contractions
- **Phoronida:** solitary worms living in sediment, more developed organs, lophophore extends above surface
- **Brachiopoda** (lampshells): solitary marine bivalve-like shells, lophophore extends between shells
- **Rotifera:** grazers of algae, feed with ciliated crown
- **Chaetognatha** (arrow worms): small coelomate worms