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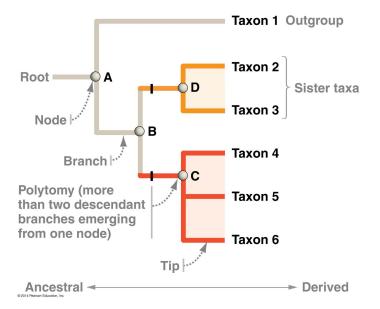
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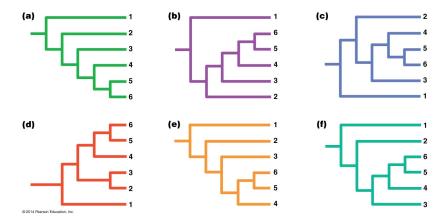
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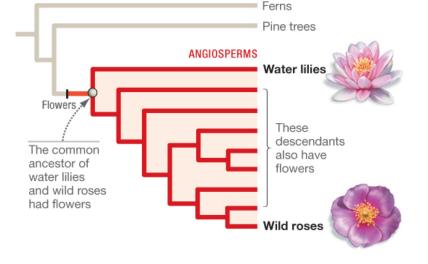


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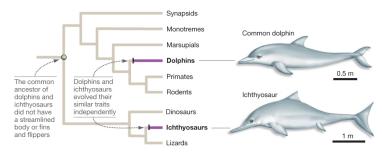


Figure 25.3 Homoplasy: Traits Are Similar but Not Inherited from a Common Ancestor. Dolphins and ichthyosaurs look similar but are not closely related.

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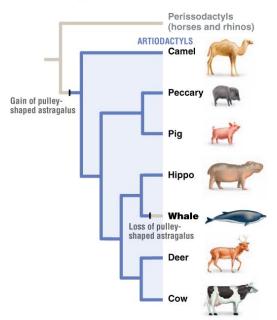
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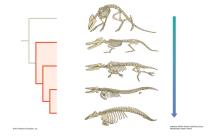
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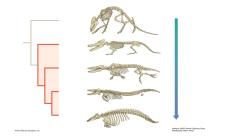


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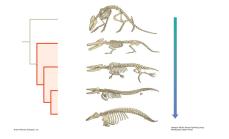
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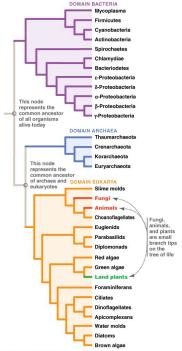
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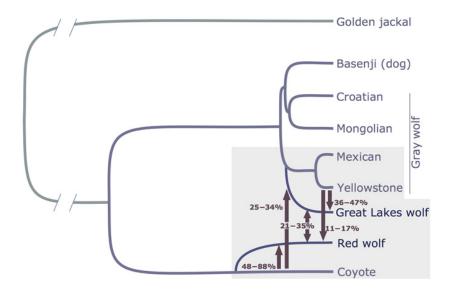
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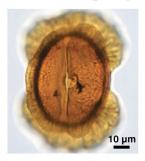
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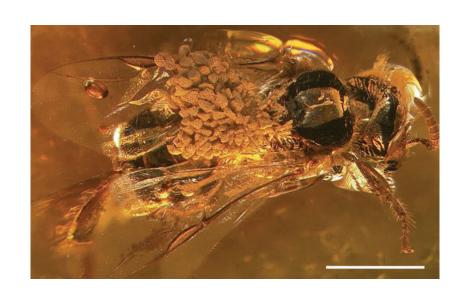
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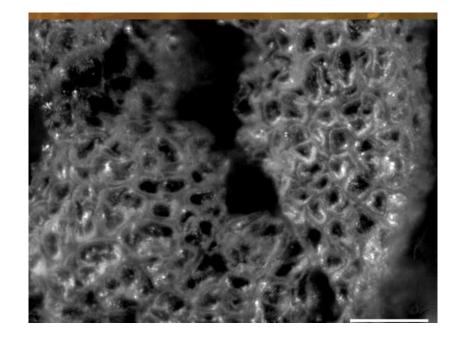
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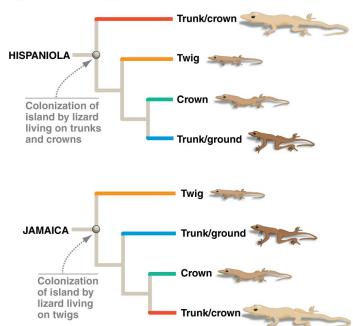
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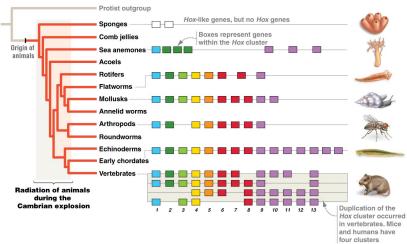
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