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Lecture 5

**What happens
when you
become larger
and more
complex?**

**Cellularity,
Revisited**

Certain Organisms Don't Exist

1. There are no 800 lb amoebas.
- a. There are no single-celled squid, sea stars.
- b. Why?
- c. Because there are physical constraints on life.

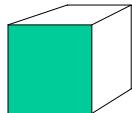
Physical Constraints on Life

1. Most living systems involve ionic chemistry; what molecules can do in water
2. There are physical limits on size.
3. Phylogenetic limits exist -
 - a. genetic variation.
 - b. evolutionary history.
 - c. selection intensity.

Physical Constraints on Life

1. Substances must enter and exit cells through the cell membrane
- a. Thus, the physical relationship between surface area and volume places a limit on cell size.

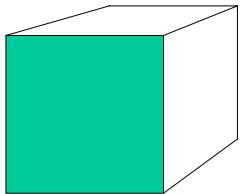
Consider a Cube



1. With 1 cm sides:

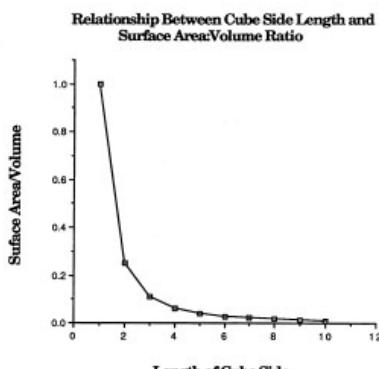
- Each side: $1 \times 1 = 1 \text{ cm}^2$
- Total surface area: $6(1) = 6 \text{ cm}^2$
- Volume: base area \times height $= 1 \times 1 = 1 \text{ cm}^3$
- s.a./vol. ratio: $6/1 = 6$

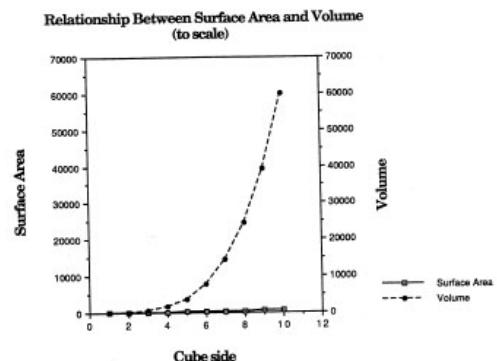
Consider Another Cube



2. With 2 cm sides:

- each side: $2 \times 2 = 4 \text{ cm}^2$
- total surface area: $6(4) = 24 \text{ cm}^2$
- volume: base area \times height $= 4 \times 2 = 8 \text{ cm}^3$
- s.a./vol. ratio: $24/8 = 3$





What Does It Mean?

If You Get Larger:

1. Increasing volume->increasing cellular activity ->increased nutritional requirements, increased waste production.
2. Thus, by dividing organism into smaller parts, there is increased efficiency in materials transport.
 - a. Sponges absorb better than paper towels.

If You Get More Complex:

1. Increased cell numbers, increased size = increased complexity.
- a. Individual cells are **limited** in their ability to do different things.
- b. But: **increased** cell numbers **permits** cellular specialization.
- c. Increased **efficiency** is obtained by increased specialization.

Venus Williams vs. the Arizona Cardinals



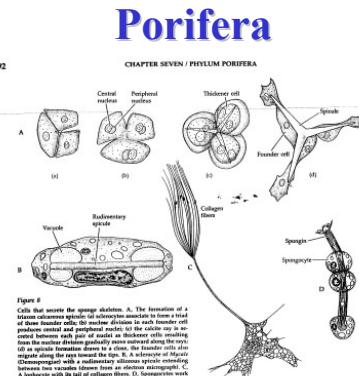
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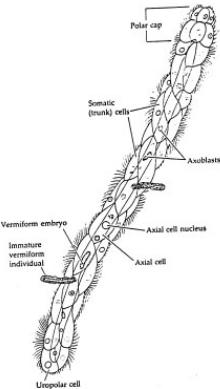
2. Greater specialization, however, necessitates maintenance mechanisms.
- a. Nerve cells aren't very good at catching their own food.
- b. Required systems: those that are necessary to maintain specialized cells.

Tissue Organization

Cellular Associations

1. Multicellular animals may consist of loosely organized groups of cells
 - a. little specialization
 - b. little integration among functional groups of cells
2. Examples:
 - a. Sponges
 - b. Mesozoa - linearly arranged clusters of cells.





Mesozoa

True Tissues

1. Cells arranged as functional units.
 - a. Specialization of structure and function.
 - b. Usually arranged in systems and organs.
2. Arrangement is often laid down early in development.

Diploblastic Arrangement

1. **Epidermis** - outer layer
2. **Gasterodermis** - inner, digestive layer
3. **Mesenchyme** - middle layer of cells, but no true mesoderm

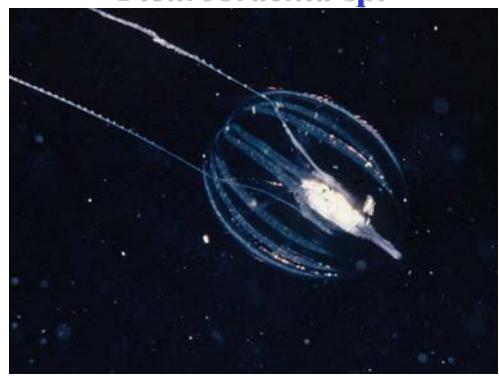
b. Examples:

1. cnidarians, ctenophores

Aurelia aurita



Pleurobrachia sp.



Triploblastic Arrangement

1. **Epidermis** - outer layer, derived from embryonic ectoderm.
2. **Endodermis** - digestive layer, derived from endoderm
3. **Mesodermis** - inner muscle, organ layers, derived from mesoderm

Notoplana acticola



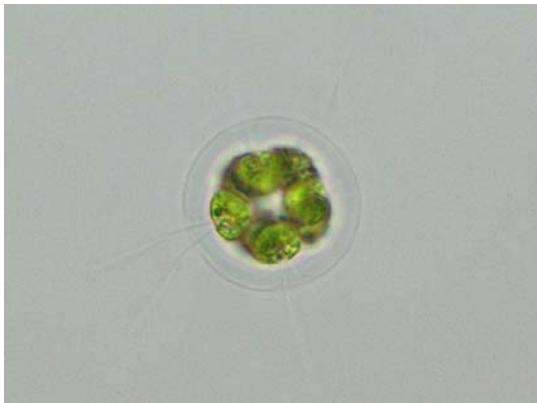


Body Symmetry

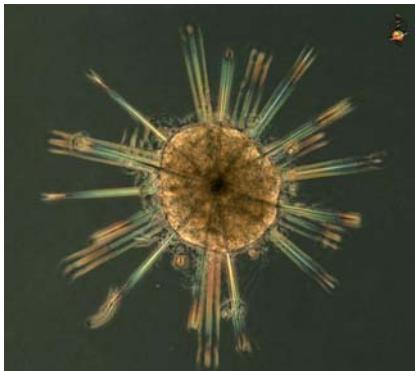
How ARE Organisms Arranged?

Spherical

1. Body of the organism is arranged so that any plane can cut it into equal parts
2. Relatively few examples in Metazoa except early in development
3. Protozoa
 - a. Radiolaria
 - b. multicellular algae: *Volvox*



Astrolithium sp.



Irregular

1. Body of organism is arranged so that no plane cuts it into equal parts.
2. Examples:
 - a. amoebae
 - b. sponges
3. Neither spherically nor irregularly symmetrical organisms have polarity

Mayorella sp.





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Radial

1. Body is arranged along a longitudinal axis (varying in length).
 - a. Often with oral, aboral ends
 - b. Polarity is established
2. Planes drawn parallel to the longitudinal axis divide the animal into equal halves.
3. Often associated with sessile feeding.

Haliplanella luciae



Pachycerianthus fimbriatus



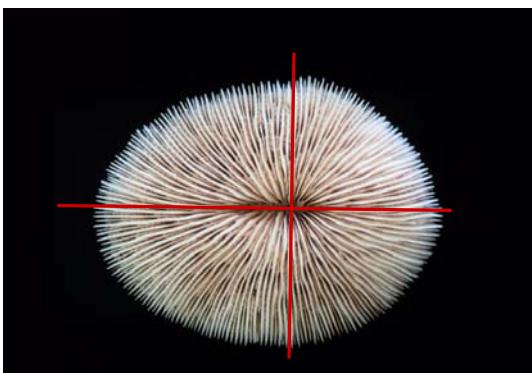
Biradial

1. Similar to radial symmetry except that only two planes will cut the animal into equal halves.
 - a. Usually some secondary specialization on feeding arrangement
2. There can be more involved versions of this.
 - a. triradial, pentaradial, etc.

Metridium senile



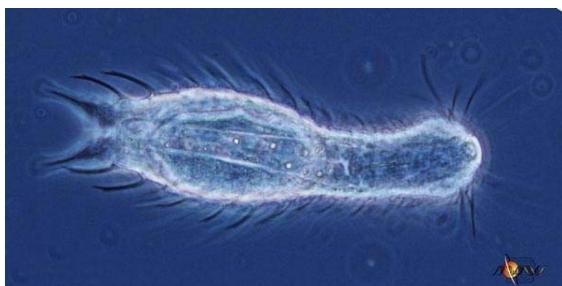
Fungia scutaria



Bilateral

1. A single plane divides the body into equal halves.
2. often with other functional surfaces.
 - a. dorsal, ventral, lateral.
 - b. anterior, posterior.
3. Usually locomotory specialization
4. Often associated with cephalization (association of nervous tissue in anterior end).

Chaetonotus sp.



Urechis caupo



Apis mellifera



Body Cavity Arrangement

Acoelomates

1. Possess no body cavity
2. Instead, parenchyma tissue and muscles.
3. Examples:
 - a. Platyhelminthes
 - b. Nemerteans

Bipalium kewense



Opisthorchis sinensis



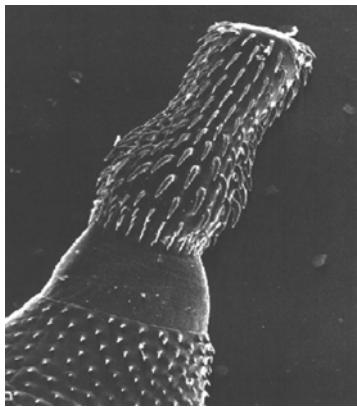
**An Antarctic
nemertean**



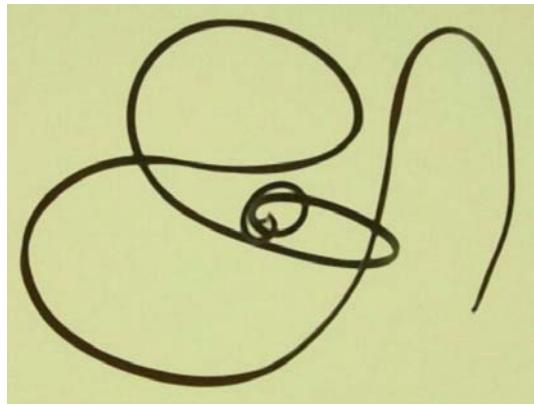
Pseudocoelomates

1. Possess a body cavity,
2. Fluid filled pseudocoel; organs supported by hydrostatic pressure.
3. Lack mesenteries
4. Examples:
 - a. Blastocoelomate (Ascelminth) phyla

Corynosoma
sp.



A horsehair worm



Pycnophyes greenlandicus



Eucoelomates

1. Possess a body cavity
2. Not fluid filled or under pressure
3. Organs supported by mesenteries
4. Examples:
 - a. all other phyla

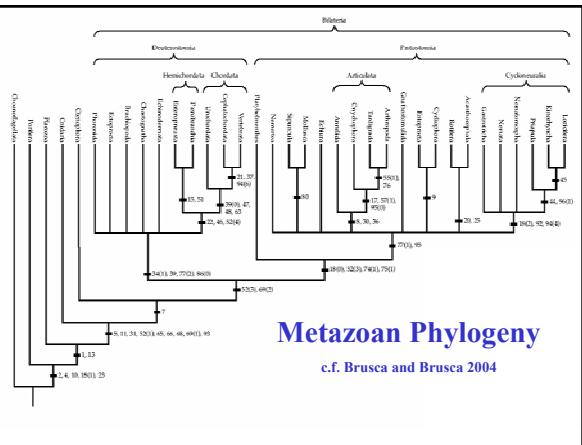
Opisthopus transversus



Florometra serratissima

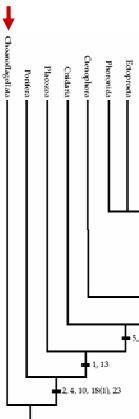


Lower Metazoan Phylogeny



Lower Metazoan Clades:

Choanoflagellata
Porifera
Placozoa
Cnidaria
Ctenophora



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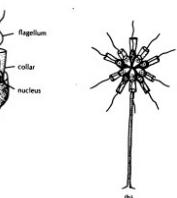
Choanoflagellata

Porifera

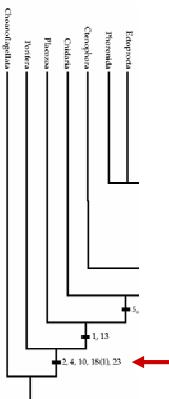
Placozoa

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Choanoflagellates



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Porifera

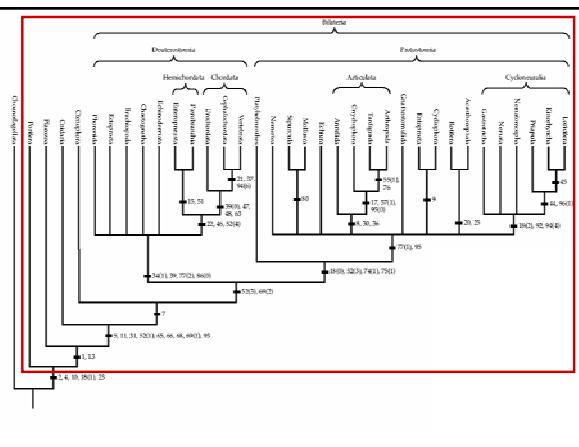
Placozoa

Cnidaria

Ctenophora

Porifera and Metazoa

- a. Are distinct from choanoflagellates by:
 - 2. Multicellularity
 - 4. Epithelial tight junctions
 - 10. Collagen fibers in body
 - 18(1). Development w/ "radial" cleavage.
 - 23. Spermatozoa



Lower Metazoan Clades:

Choanoflagellata

Porifera

Placozoa

Cnidaria

Ctenophora

Porifera

a. Are distinct from the Placozoa by:

Have collar cells (absent in Metazoa)

Lack striated ciliary rootlets (present in Metazoa)

b. Also have the following apomorphies

1. Aquiferous system
2. Layered construction
3. Spicules



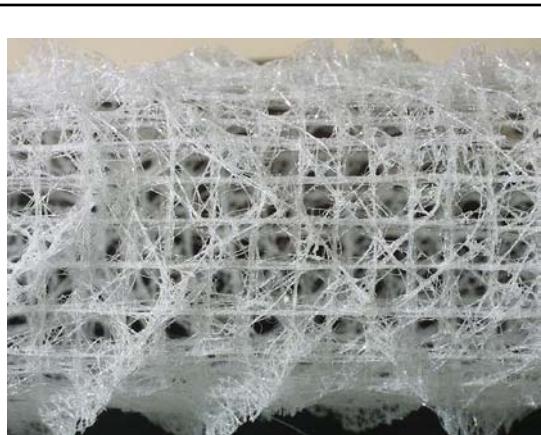
03.03B Barrel sponge





Sponge Spicules



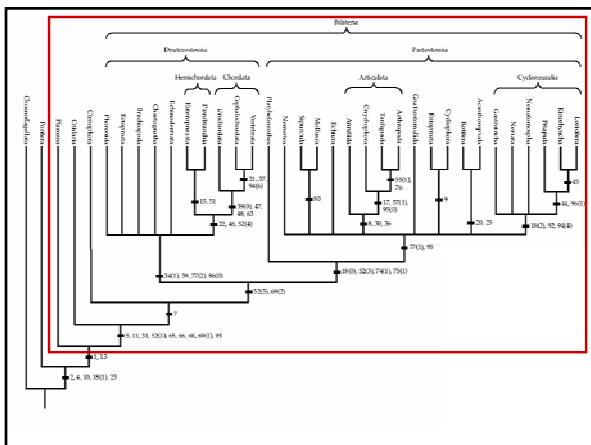


Placozoa and other Metazoa

This clade includes all animals (multicellular heterotrophs)

a. Synapomorphies:

- 1. Absence of collar cells
- 13. Striated ciliary rootlets



Tricoplax adhaerens



Tricoplax adhaerens

