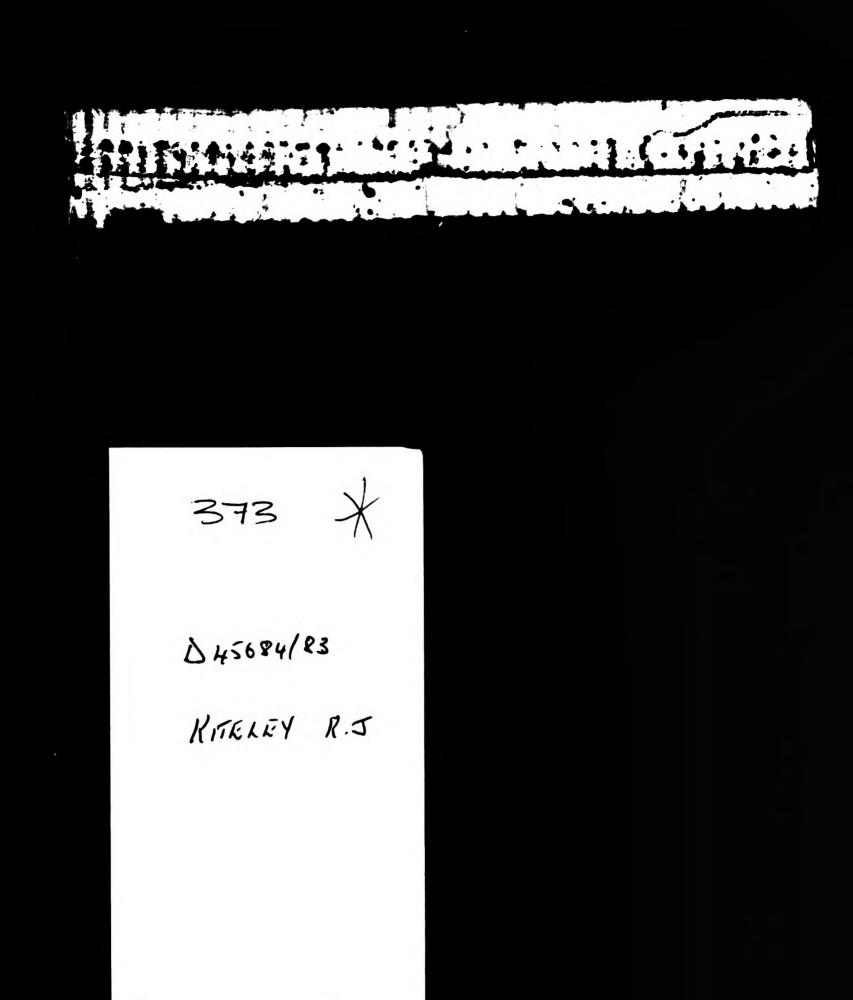


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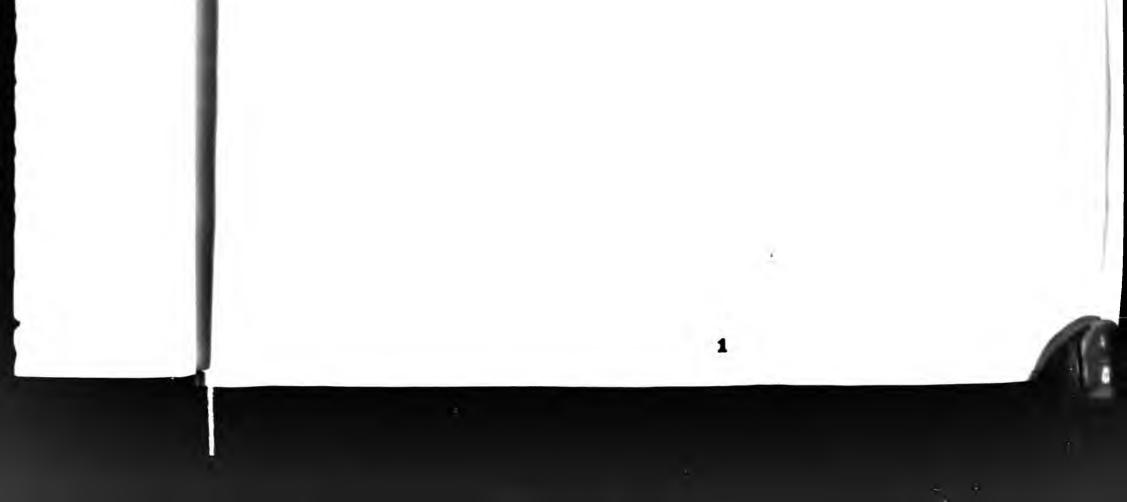
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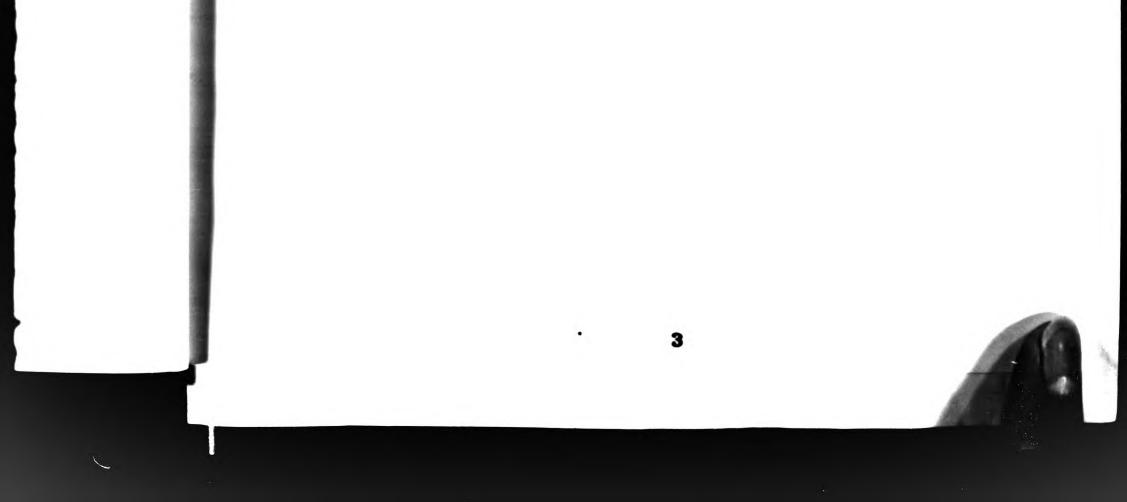
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#### ABSTRACT

"Detailed Studies of the Callovian and Oxfordian Microplankton from the Warboys and Warlingham Boreholes", by Robert J. Kiteley (September, 1982)

The present thesis deals with biostratigraphic and palaeoenvironmental analyses of microplankton assemblages from the Kellaways Beds and Oxford Clay (Upper Jurassic) of the Warboys and Warlingham Boreholes, based on 118 samples.

Chapter one sets out the aim of the study as being (i) to evaluate the significance of microplankton assemblages in biostratigraphic correlation, (ii) establish a zonation scheme for the interval studied and (iii) investigate the potentiality of quantitative methods in biostratigraphic use of microplankton.

Chapter two deals with the Callovian/Oxfordian stratigraphy of Britain in general and of both boreholes in particular.

Chapter three describes methods of sampling, preparation and examination of the obtained assemblages.

Chapter four concerns the taxonomy of dinoflagellate cysts and acritarchs in terms of morphology and terminology.

Chapter five constitutes the systematic part. From a total of 48 microplankton genera, some 120 dinoflagellate species and 18 acritarch species are described. 9 species are considered to be new and several others are described from the Callovian/Oxfordian for the first time.

Chapter six deals with distribution of microplankton and correlation. After evaluating two previously-described zonation schemes in terms of recognition in the present assemblages, a scheme for the Kellaways Beds and Oxford Clay is proposed using local ranges of dinoflagellate cysts. Conventional methods of biostratigraphy are critically evaluated and the importance of numerical methods assessed. Two statistical methods of correlation are applied to data from the present assemblages.

Chapter seven critically discusses the physical parameters governing distribution of microplankton. Palaeoenvironmental inferrences are made from the distribution of microplankton here using relative abundancies, species diversity and dinoflagellate:acritarch ratios. Assemblages are compared with those previously-published from other localities using the Jaccard Coefficient of Similarity in attempting inter-regional correlation.

Chapter eight summarises the conclusions reached in terms of the aims outlined in chapter one.

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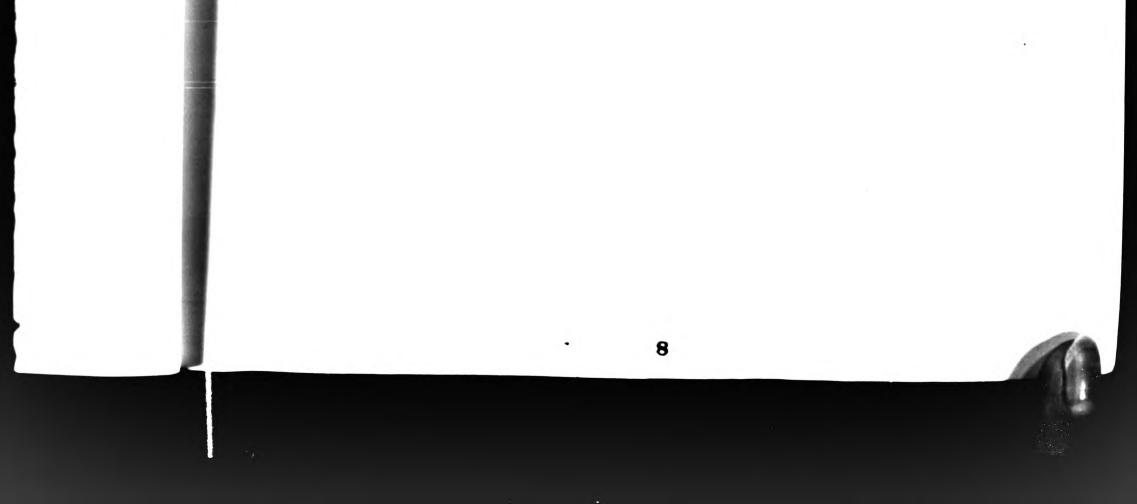
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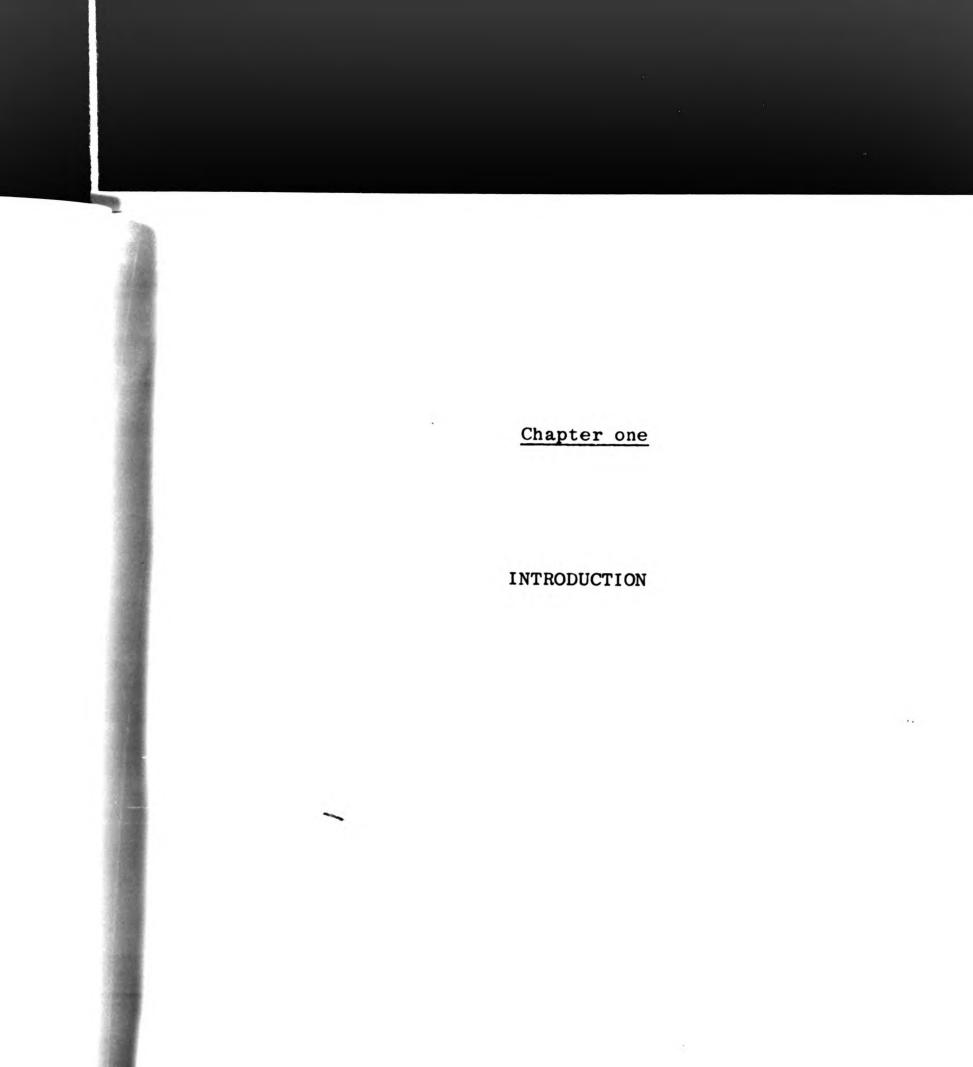
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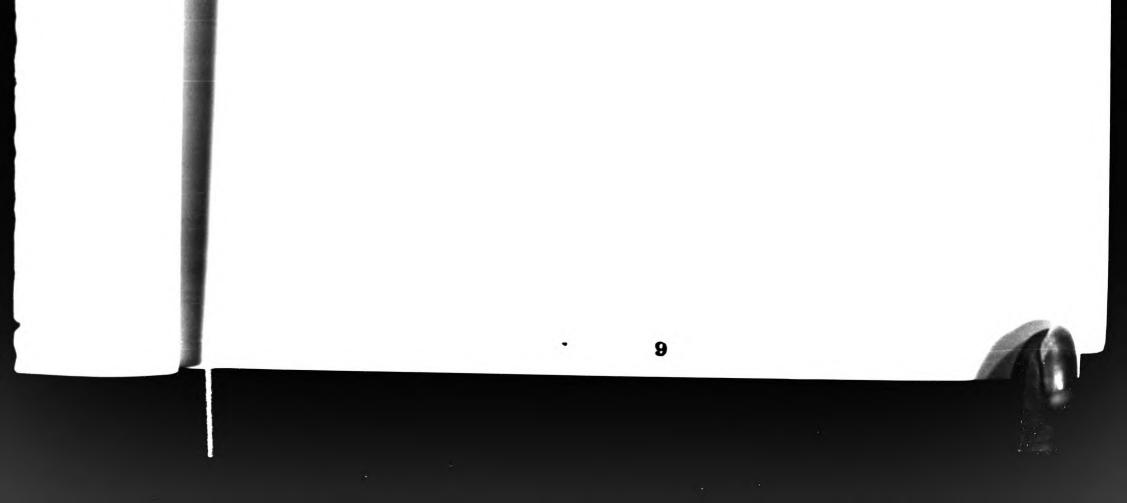
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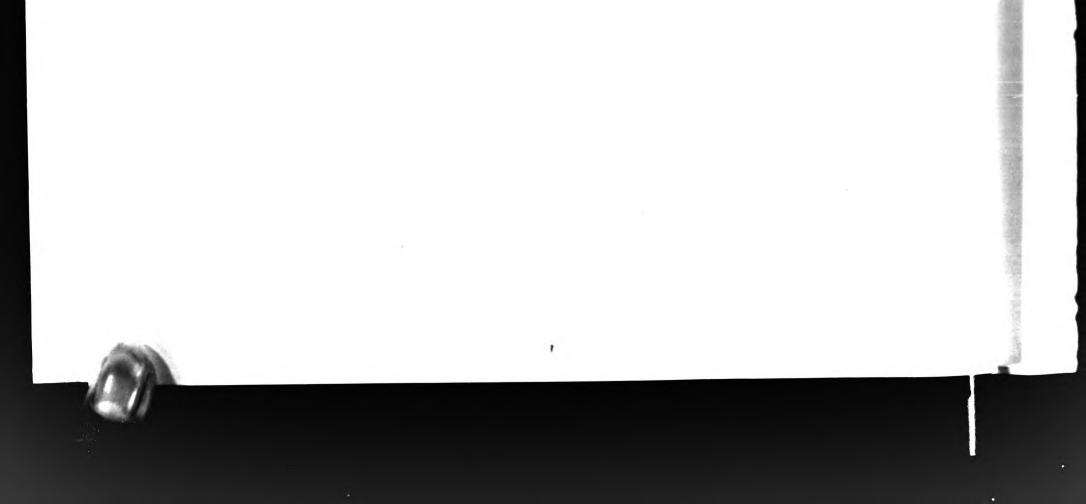
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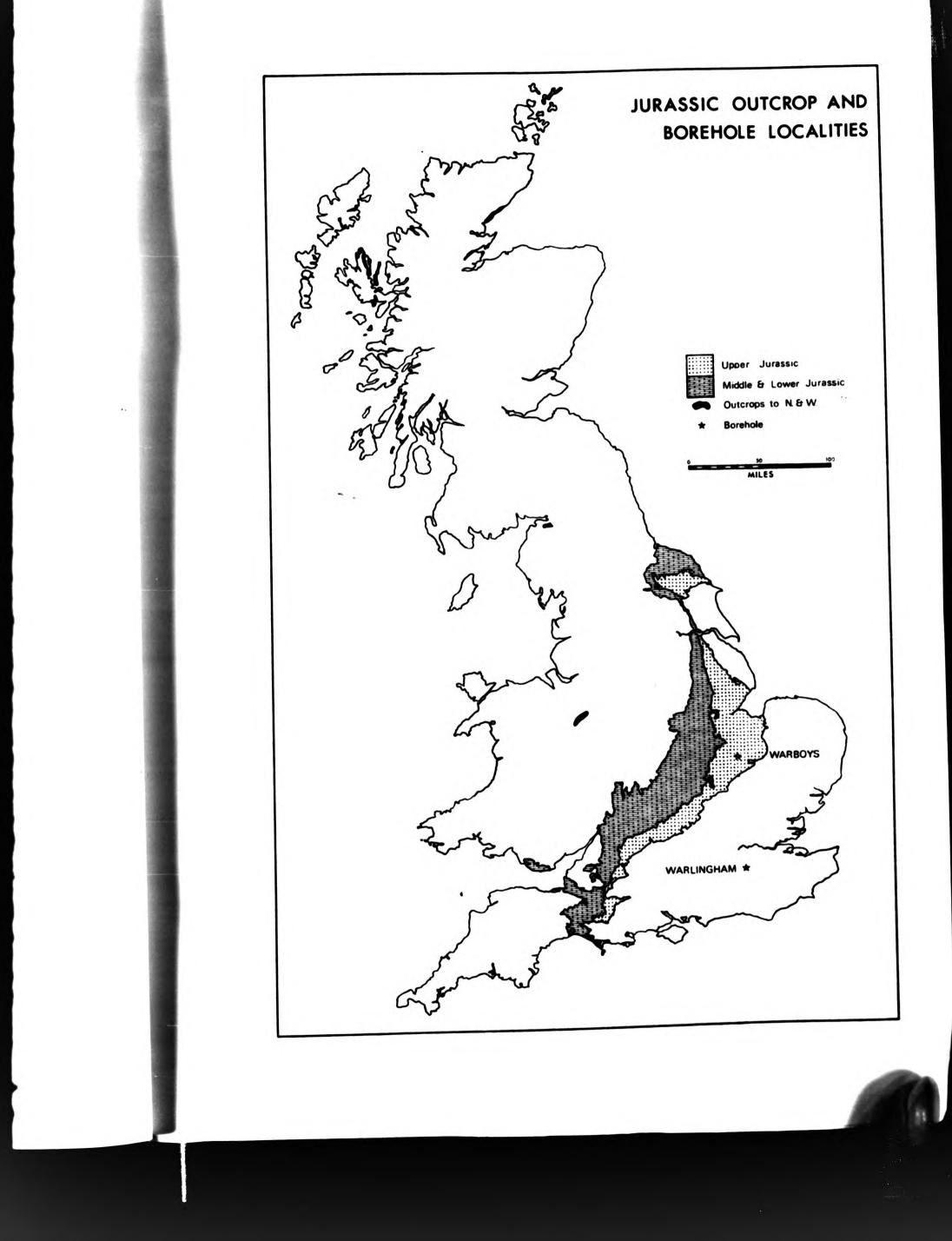
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Text-figure 1.1

A map of the British Isles showing the main outcrop of Jurassic rocks and the position of the Warboys and Warlingham boreholes.





chalk to the Lower Carboniferous limestone, with only the section from the Middle Carboniferous to Triassic missing; a total of some 5001 feet (1524.3 metres) of strata. The exact location is given a National Grid reference of TQ 3476 5719 on the six-inch Ordnance Survey map (fig.1.3).

From both boreholes a complete and undisturbed sequence of Kellaways Beds and Oxford Clay was obtained (although the uppermost part of the Oxford Clay - <u>cordatum</u> to <u>plicatilis</u> zones - is missing at Warboys due to surface erosion), totalling a thickness of 230 feet (70.1 metres) at Warboys and 336 feet (102.4 metres) at Warlingham. The ammonite zones for each locality had already been determined by Dr. J.H. Callomon. The two borehole sequences therefore provided excellent material for biostratigraphic correlation using microplankton assemblages.

It is quite clear that no fossil group can rival the ammonites for biostratigraphic correlation in the Jurassic. For practical purposes however, alternative biostratigraphical schemes are neccessary, not least because of the extensive exploration for, and increase in the production of, hydrocarbons; one cannot expect to find recogniseable ammonite assemblages even in a large-diameter borehole core, let alone in a side-wall core! Several authors have attempted inter-regional correlation for the Jurassic using dinoflagellate assemblages (e.g., Williams, 1977 and Sarjeant, 1979), but little is known of the factors controlling the distribution of dinoflagellates and resulting assemblages. For this reason it was felt neccessary to undertake a detailed programme of study to determine the reliability of microplankton assemblages for correlating between two localities, each having an identical stratigraphic succession and comparable lithologies, and to use these as standards for comparison with previously published work from other localities.

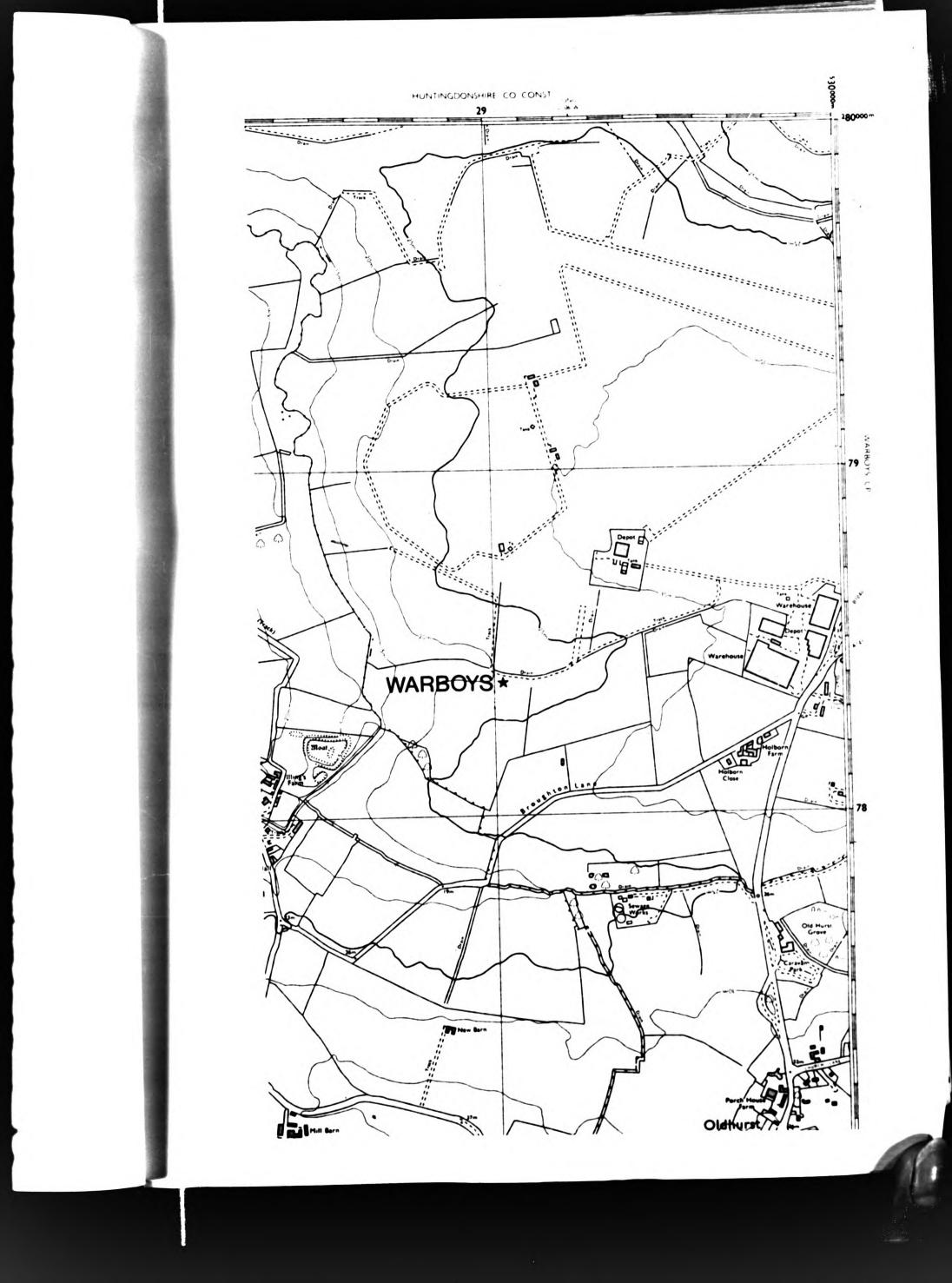
Both boreholes were sampled at regular intervals of five feet (1.5 metres) giving a total of 118 samples (48 from Warboys and 70 from Warlingham). The samples were processed using standard techniques for

extracting palynomorphs (see chapter three) and the obtained assemblages studied in detail using conventional (qualitative) methods as well as numerical (quantitative) methods of analysis. The resulting assemblages are typical of the Upper Jurassic and particularly well-preserved in both sections, with little breakage incurred through preparation techniques. Even the larger, more fragile species such as Adnatosphaeridium and Polystephanephorous often retain their delicate, distally-linking trabeculae between adjacent processes. Species such as Pareodinia, Kalyptea and Caligodinium often have quite large and undamaged kalyptra present. It is true to say however, that specimens from the Lower Oxford Clay tend

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Text-figure 1.2 Part of the six-inch Ordnance Survey map for the Warboys District of Huntingdonshire showing the exact location of the borehole



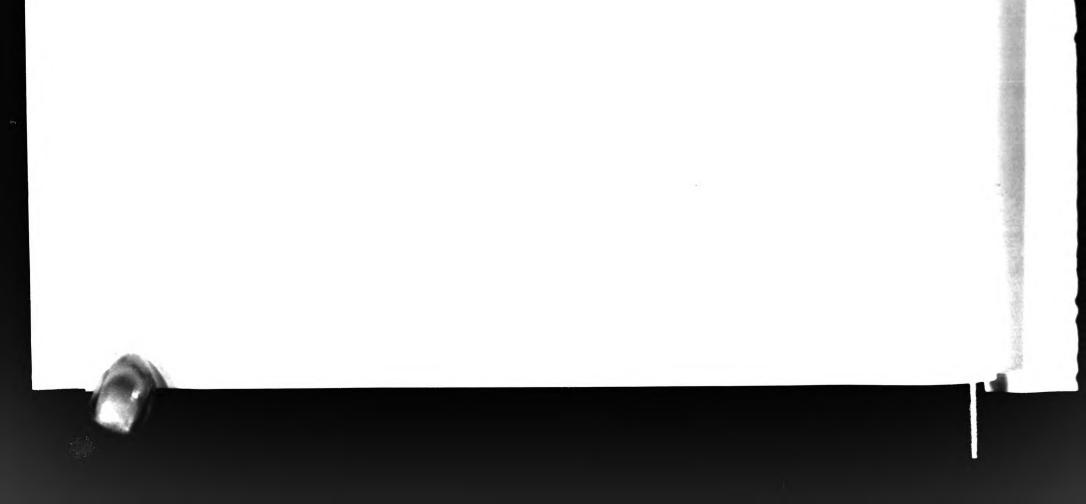


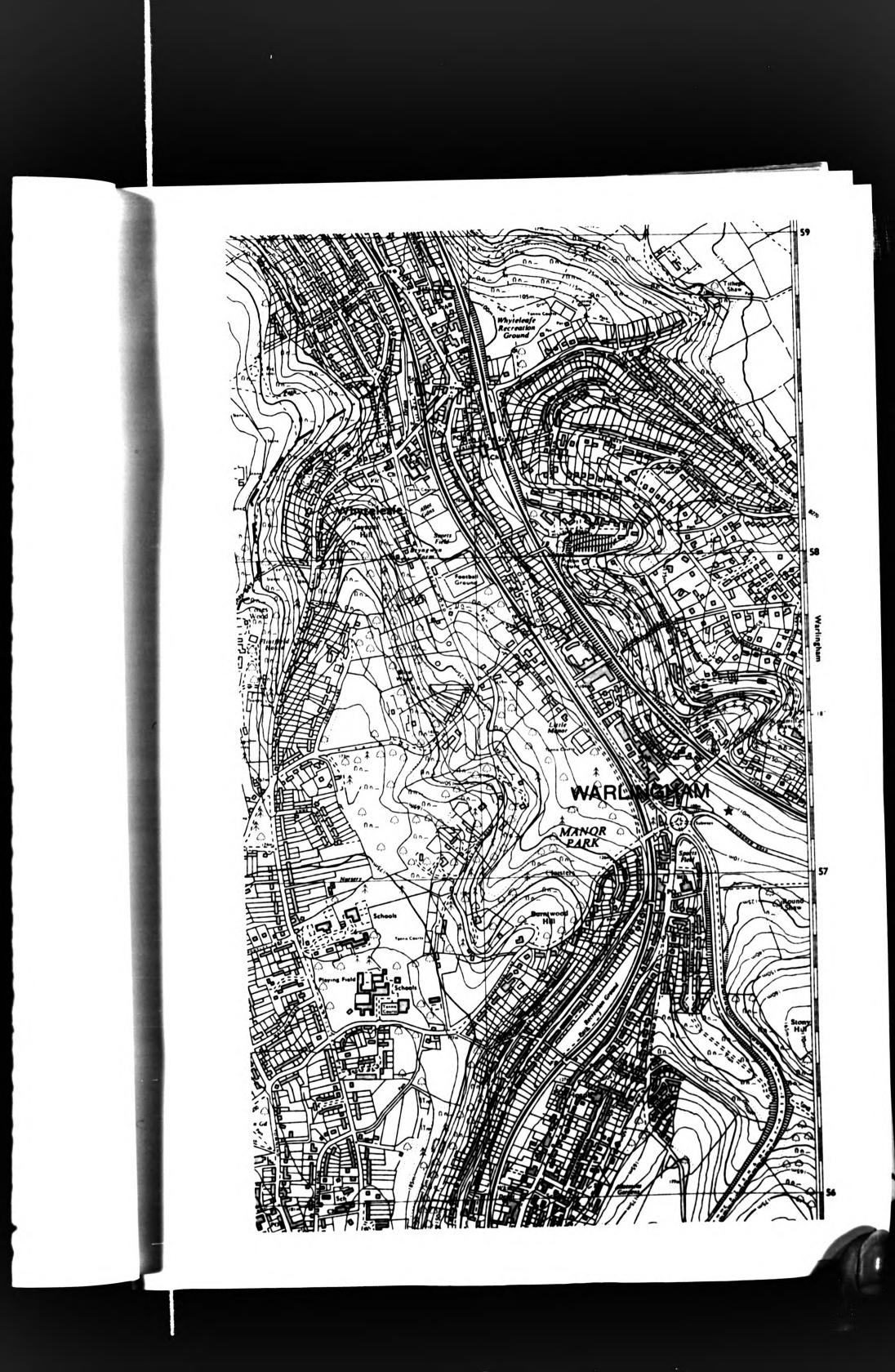
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Part of the six-inch Ordnance Survey map for the Warlingham District of Surrey showing the exact location of the borehole





to be less well-preserved, probably resulting from the more extreme preparation techniques found neccessary to break down the highly bituminous clays, characteristic of the Middle Callovian.

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There is little or no indication of re-working in the assemblages, probably indicative of the uniform nature of conditions which prevailed during the deposition of the Oxford Clay. Many of the indeterminate genera illustrated in plates 32 to 34 from the Warlingham Borehole are likely to have come from higher horizons in the borehole as a result of contamination, either from circulating drilling muds or collapse of the core-wall during drilling. Although often abraided they resemble the more exotic forms characteristic of higher levels in the Jurassic and Cretaceous.

Essentially the primary aims of the work may be summarised as being three-fold:

1) To evaluate the importance of fossil microplankton assemblages for inter-regional, biostratigraphic correlation in general, using the two boreholes as tests of this, and the factors which govern their distribution.

2) To establish, as far as is possible, a zonation scheme for the Kellaways Beds and Oxford Clay using assemblages of microplankton - dinoflagellate cysts in particular.

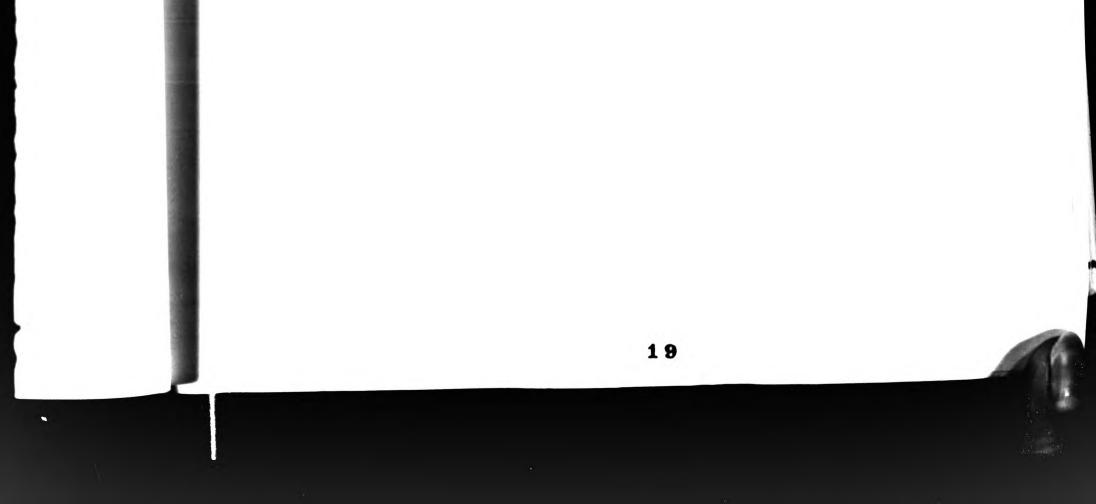
3) To investigate the potentiality of statistical and numerical methods of analysis in biostratigraphy using microplankton ascemblages.

How far these aims have been achieved are discussed in chapter eight, but in the final analysis must be left to the discretion of the reader. Certainly many of the questions which have been left unanswered can only be solved by further research. It is hoped that the present work will provide a basis for such investigations in the future.

All material, including microscope slides, is deposited in the Department of Geology, City of London Polytechnic. The microscope used for both examination and photography is an OLYMPUS, BHC Binocular -type (serial no: 217743).

Chapter two

# STRATIGRAPHICAL CONSIDERATIONS



## STRATIGRAPHICAL CONSIDERATIONS

## A. CALLOVIAN / OXFORDIAN STRATIGRAPHY

#### 1. Introduction

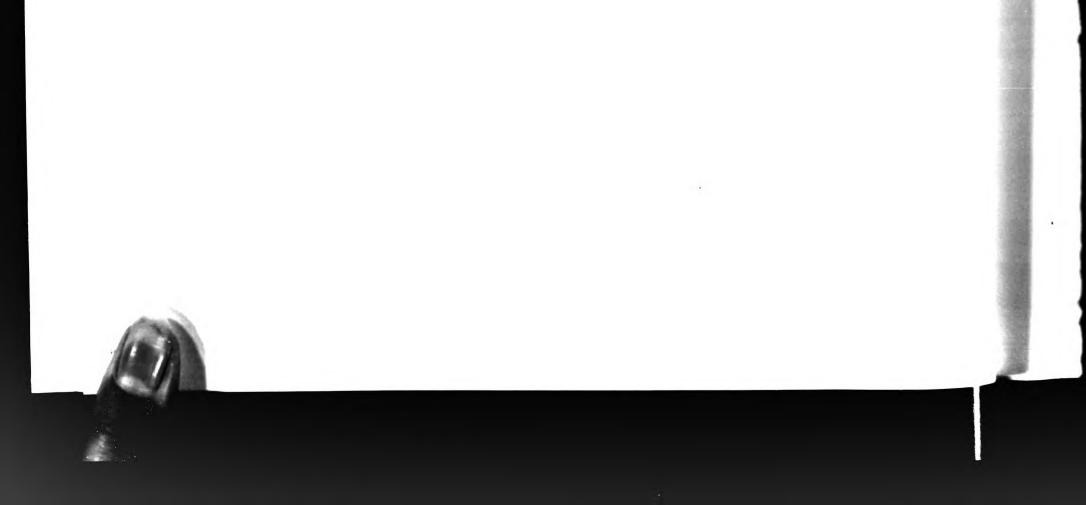
The Callovian and Oxfordian stages constitute the lower half of the Upper Jurassic, the base of the Callovian being generally accepted as the base of the Upper Jurassic. The lower part of the Upper Jurassic in Britain, the Upper Cornbrash, marks a return everywhere from the regressive, in part deltaic and lagoonal, facies of the preceeding Bathonian to fully marine conditions (Callomon, 1968). Its deposition reflects a major transgression of the seas in Britain, as well as in many other parts of the world such as parts of the U.S.S.R. and the Baltic Shield. Renewed erosion of nearby landmasses provided debris for sedimentation in the newly-formed basins of deposition. Conditions were comparable to Liassic times, the thick dark clays and shales, with thin muddy limestone bands and cementstone concretions, form a marked contrast to the calcareous and arenaceous deposits of the Middle Jurassic.

As the seas became deeper the processes of sedimentation became free from the immediate effects of current and wave action, consequently the deposits immediately succeeding Kellaways Beds were laid down with considerable uniformity. These deposits, the Oxford Clay, are "one of the most uniform deposits in the European Jurassic. Beds a few feet or even inches thick persist over great distances, and the constancy of the faunal successions permits the setting up of a zonal and subzonal scheme of stratigraphic subdivision which has few rivals in the wideness of its applicability" (Callomon ibid. p264).

The main outcrop of the Oxford Clay in Britain runs almost continuously in a north-east - south-west direction, from the Dorset coast at Weymouth to the Yorkshire coast at Scarborough (fig.1.1). Physically the soft deposits weather to a flat, featureless and often marshy landscape, and apart from these coastal sections there would have been few mainland outcrops if it were not for the fact that the Oxford Clay has unique properties for the manufacturing of bricks. Consequently there are a number of man-made exposures in the South and East Midlands where the Oxford Clay supports a large and flourishing brick industry. These workings are concentrated in four main areas: Peterborough, South Bedfordshire, Bletchley and Calvert (near Bicester, Buckinghamshire). In these areas it is mainly the shales of the Lower Oxford Clay that are worked. The more plastic and calcareous Middle and Upper Oxford Clays are worked at Warboys, Woodham (near Calvert) and Purton (5 miles north-

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Text-fig. 2.1 <u>The zonal sequence of the Callovian and Lower</u> <u>Oxfordian stages of North-West Europe</u> (after Callomon, 1964)



DIVISION	SUBZONES	ZONES	;	STAGE
	C. cordatum			0
UPPER	C. costicardia	Cardioceras cordatum	.	X F
OXFORD CLAY	C. bulowskii		LOWER	O R
	C. praecordatum	Quenstedoceras	R	D I
	C. scarburgense	mariae		A N
MIDDLE	berti	Quenstedoceras lam		
Oxford	Upper		UP	
CLAY	Middle	Peltoceras athleta	P E R	
	Lower			
	K. grossouvrei	Erymnoceras		C A
LOWER OXFORD	K. obductum	coronatum	M I D	L
CLAY	K. jason	Kosmoceras	DLE	0 V
	K. medea	ja son		A N
	S. enodatum			N
KELLAWAYS	S. calloviense	Sigaloceras calloviense	L	
Rock	P. koenigi		O¥⊎R	
Kellaways Clay	M. kamptus	Macrocephalites	R	
LIPPER CORNBRAS	M. macrocephalus	macrocephalus		

west of Swindon). Between them the pits have exposed an almost continuous section of Oxford Clay in Central England, revealing a very complete succession from the Cornbrash to the Corallian.

## 2. Kellaways Beds

After the widespread transgression of the Cornbrash, there was in Southern and Central England a relatively brief depositional phase of clays and sands which form the Kellaways Beds. They do not commonly exceed 6 metres in thickness, although as much as 18 metres have been reported from Wiltshire (Woodward, 1895). The lower part of the Kellaways Clay is rather poor in fossils, but the succeeding Kellaways Rock is often rich in the zonal ammonite Sigaloceras calloviense. This facies is usually irregularly developed, as is consequently the base of the Oxford Clay above. The Kellaways Beds comprise most of the Lower Callovian - calloviense and macrocephalus zones (fig. 2.1).

The most southern exposure of Kellaways Beds in Britain is to be found at Putton Lane Brickyard,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile south-east of Chikerell Church, near Weymouth, Dorset. At the top of the pit is the Kellaways Rock where about 2.5 metres of sand and clay with doggers and lenticles of hard sandstone are exposed. Below this is 2.5 - 3.0 metres of blue clay with cementstone nodules (Arkell, 1933 p344). Further north the deposits appear to increase in thickness. At Cirencester, some 6 metres of yellow sands with large doggers are present, whilst at Swindon, a boring is said to have proved 18.3 metres of Kellaways Beds (Woodward, 1895; in Arkell, 1933 p346).

In the South Midlands, from Cirencester through the Thames Valley, Kellaways Beds are feebly developed, although at Bedford 3 metres of sands with large doggers are present. The beds continue to thin northwards towards the Market Weighton axis where a maximum of 7.6 metres was recorded at Sudbrook, near Lincoln, although the average thickness appears

to be in the order of 0.6 to 3.1 metres.

North of the Market Weighton axis, in the Yorkshire basin, the Kellaways Beds reach their maximum development, producing 15.2 metres at Cayton Bay and 23.2 metres at North Cliff, Scarborough.

In Scotland, at Brora (Sutherland), the chronostratigraphic equivalent of Kellaways Beds is the Roof Bed of the Brora Coal. It is a very hard ferruginous, sandy limestone, varying in thickness from 1 to 1.5 metres, passing down into grey calcareous sandstone with lenticles of coal. In Skye the Lower Callovian comprises the Staffin Bay Formation;

a series of carbonaceous sandstones and dark grey shales, some 17.6 metres thick (Sykes, 1975).

#### 3. Oxford Clay

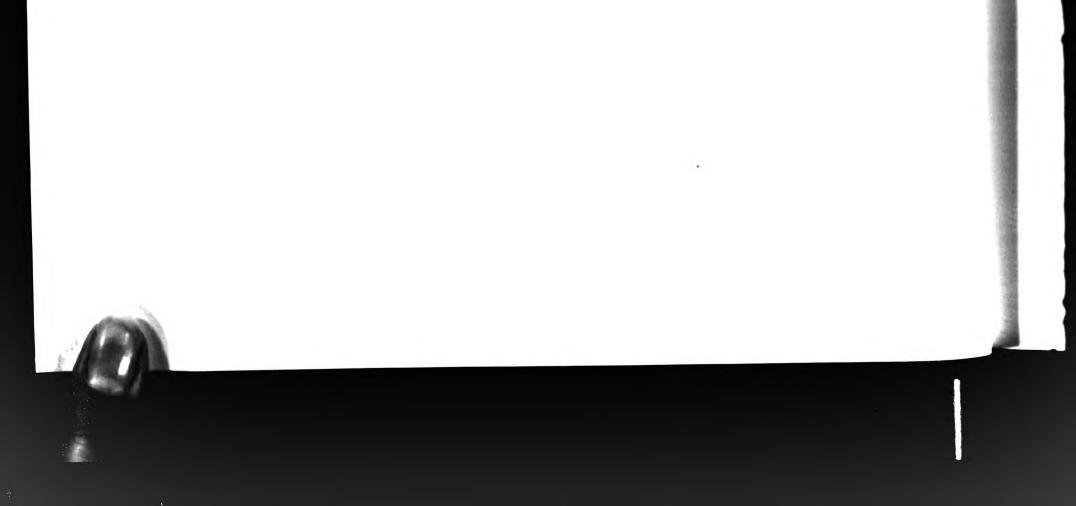
The Oxford Clay is the lowest of the great clay strata that dominate the Upper Jurassic of Southern and Eastern England. It comprises the middle and upper stages of the Callovian - jason, coronatum, athleta and <u>lamberti</u> zones, and the Lower Oxfordian <u>mariae</u> and <u>cordatum</u> zones (fig. 2.1). The Middle Callovian, Upper Callovian and Lower Oxfordian stages constitute the Lower, Middle and Upper divisions of the Oxford Clay respectively. The outcrop is some 150 metres in Dorset, increasing to 180 metres in Wiltshire; the customary reduction northwards through Oxfordshire into Lincolnshire (90 metres) follows and only 40 metres persist north of the Market Weighton axis. The Oxford Clay in the East Midlands also thins towards the East Anglian Massif.

North of the Market Weighton axis, in the Yorkshire basin, there is a marked lateral change in facies where the Callovian deposits are arenaceous. The deposition of the Kellaways Rock was succeeded, probably after an interval of non-deposition, by the Hackness Rock which is the lateral equivalent of the Lower Oxford Clay of Central and Southern England. In the Yorkshire basin the Middle and Upper Oxford Clay is nowhere more than 40 metres thick, usually considerably less. The 'Oxford Clay' environment was not spreading into the basin until much later than south of the axis.

In the Brora district of North-East Scotland there is again a marked change in facies. Here two distinct lithological formations are developed. The lower unit, the Brora Argillaceous Series, constitutes the <u>calloviense</u> and <u>lamberti</u> zones and is the chronostratigraphic equivalent of the Lower and part of the Middle Oxford Clay. It is between 51 and 77 metres thick. Above this is the Brora Arenaceous Series which corresponds approximately to the Upper Oxford Clay (<u>lamberti</u> to <u>cordatum</u>) and consists of some 68 metres of arenaceous shale (Arkell, 1933; Sykes, 1975). In Skye the Staffin Shale corresponds to the Oxford Clay and is a series of arenaceous shale deposits, varying in thickness from 14 to 48 metres (Sykes, 1975).

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Text-fig. 2.2 Zonal and formational sequence in the Oxford Clay and Kellaways Beds of the Warboys area and the Warlingham borehole (After Callomon and Cope, 1971)



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## B. BIOSTRATIGRAPHY AND LITHOLOGY OF THE WARBOYS AND WARLINGHAM BOREHOLES

## 1. Introduction

The Oxford Clay and Kellaways Beds sequences of the Warlingham Borehole and Warboys area are compared in figs. 2.2 to 2.4. At Warboys the Kellaways Beds are fully developed giving a total of 5.6 metres of highly silty-mudstones. At the base the Kellaways Clay is 2.1 metres thick (<u>kamptus</u> sub zone)and succeeded by 3.5 metres of Kellaways Rock (<u>calloviense</u> and <u>koenigi</u> sub zones). In the Warlingham borehole the Kellaways Beds are incompletely developed. They comprise 4.9 metres of clays and siltstones, but without the traditional Kellaways Clay below.

Above the Kellaways Beds lies conformably the Oxford Clay. It is essentially a succession of calcareous silty mudstones. Whilst the Oxford Clay is fully developed in the Warlingham borehole, where a total of 97.5 metres has been recovered, in the Warboys borehole a modern erosional surface truncates the Upper Oxford Clay near the top of the <u>praecordatum</u> sub zone, leaving the <u>cordatum</u> and <u>plicatilis</u> zones missing. Here a total 62.9 metres of Oxford Clay has been recovered. Whilst the Lower Oxford Clay of both boreholes is comparable (15.4 metres at Warboys; 12.5 metres at Warlingham) the Middle and Upper Oxford Clays are considerably thicker in Warlingham (28.9 metres as against 25.4 metres for the Middle Oxford Clay at Warboys; and 37.5 metres as against 14.7 metres for the <u>scarburghense</u> zone of the Upper Oxford Clay).

The zonal sequences and lithologies of both boreholes are compared in fig. 2.3.

## 2. Warboys Borehole

The Callovian to Lower Oxfordian succession in the Warboys borehole comprises a total of 70.1 metres of calcareous mudstones and siltstones, with occasional marl or even limestone horizons. Details of the borehole have not as yet been published. The lithological details have been provided by Mr. A. Horton of the Institute of Geological Sciences who initially examined and logged the borehole. Dr. J.H.Callomon has determined the ammonite zonation and lithostratigraphic units and has kindly given permission to include the data here (figs. 2.3 and 3.1).

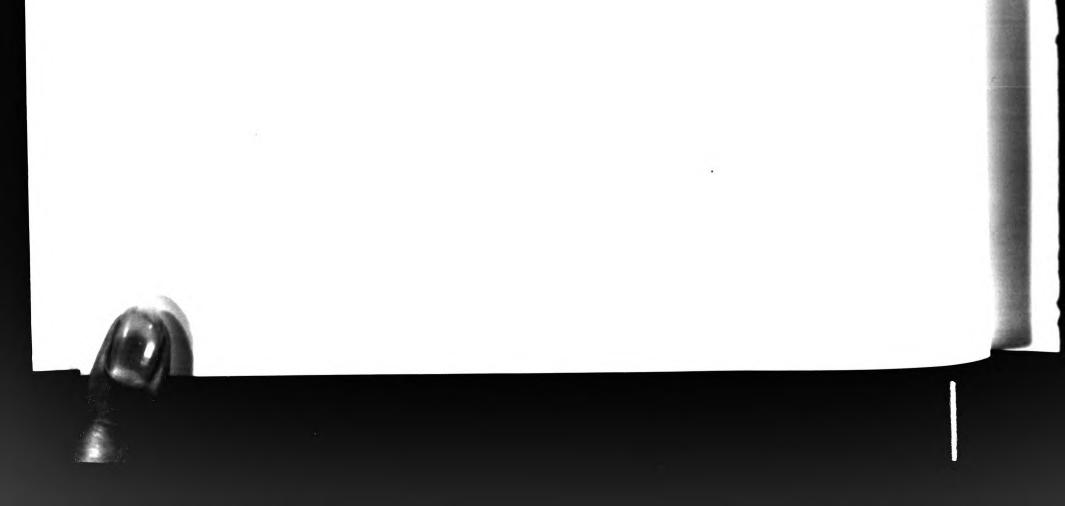
Q.mariae zone (22.03 metres)

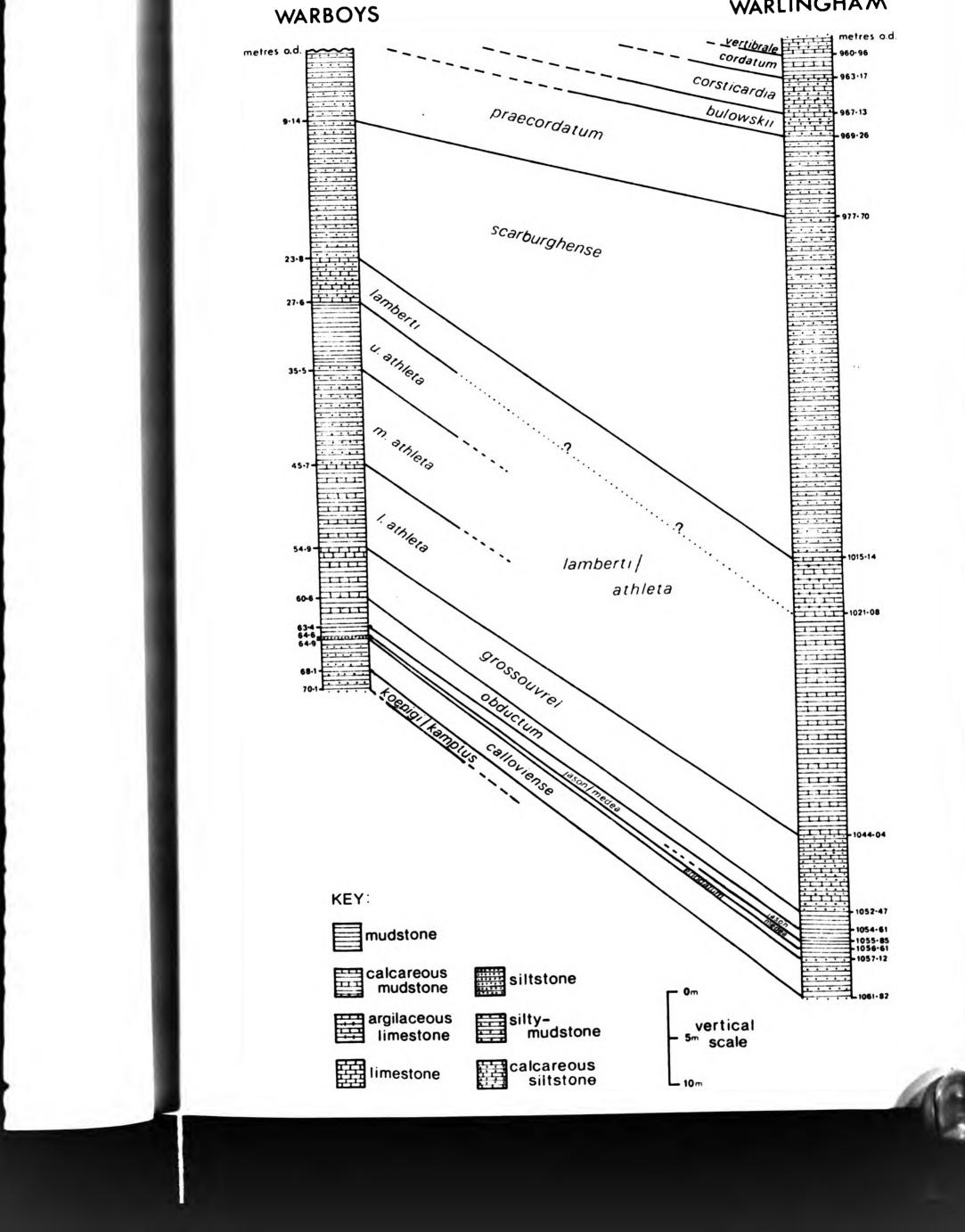
<u>C.praecordatum</u> sub zone consists of 7.43 metres of greenishgrey, weakly-calcareous mudstone with occasional siltstone bands which are of a lighter olive grey. <u>Gryphaea</u> and <u>Pinna</u> are abundant, with occasional ammonite fragments, gastropods and pyritized fucoids and

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Text-fig. 2.3 <u>Comparison of lithostratigraphic units and</u> <u>ammonite zonation of the Warboys and</u> <u>Warlingham boreholes</u>





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encrusting worms. The base is taken at 9.14 metres.

<u>C.scarburghense</u> sub zone. The lithology of the <u>praecordatum</u> sub zone above continues here for 14.6 metres. Lignitic plant debris and finer carbonaceous material is occasionally incorporated into the sediment. Oysters, gastropods and small ammonite fragments dominate the fauna, together with pyritized fucoids. The mudstone becomes hard and massive at the base which is taken at 23.8 metres.

## Q.lamberti zone (3.8 metres)

Hard, massive, calcareous mudstone, greenish-grey in colour, with alternating calcareous siltstones of a lighter colour. Carbonaceous material is present but less frequently than in the <u>scarburghense</u> sub zone above. The fauna consists of oysters and pyritized ammonites, fucoids and worm tubes. The base of the zone is taken at 27.6 metres.

## P.athleta zone (27.3 metres)

<u>Upper athleta</u> A more uniform calcareous mudstone without silt bands; marl horizons occasionally developed. Varying amounts of shell debris are found throughout. The fauna is dominated by large lamellibranchs, oysters and ammonites, with pyritized fucoids and worm-mottling. The base is taken at 35.5 metres, giving a thickness of 7.9 metres.

<u>Middle athleta</u> A continuing uniform calcareous mudstone, geenish-grey in colour, with silt incorporated rather than in bands. Marl horizons are occasionally developed, as are bituminous horizons. The fauna consists of oysters, ammonites and pyritized fucoids. The base is taken at 45.7 metres; total thickness 10.2 metres.

Lower athleta 9.2 metres of lithology similar to that of the Upper <u>athleta</u> division, being more argillaceous and less silty. Marl horizons contain high proportions of shell debris. Overall

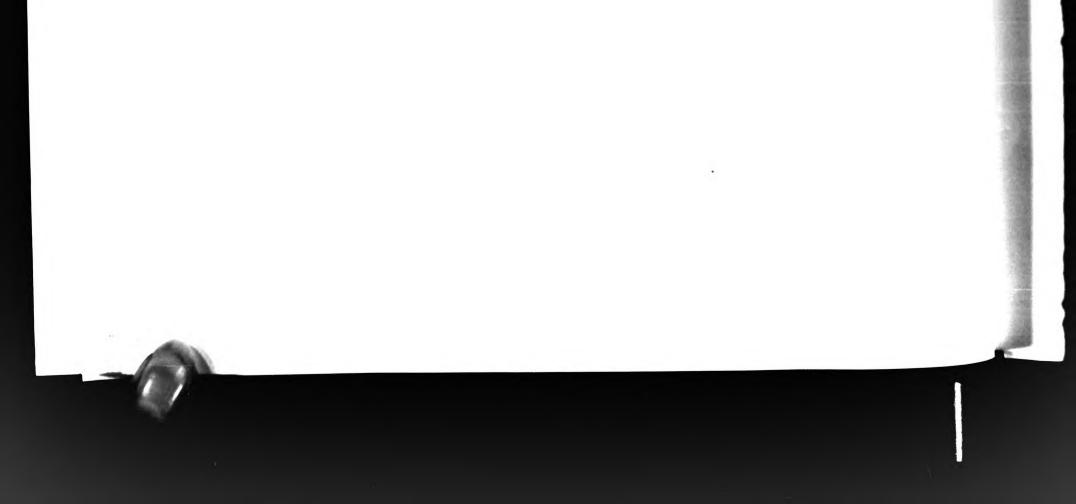
lithology is highly calcareous, with very little pyrite development. Oysters are conspicuously absent, rather large lamellibranchs and ammonites constitute the faunal assemblage. Base taken at 54.9 metres.

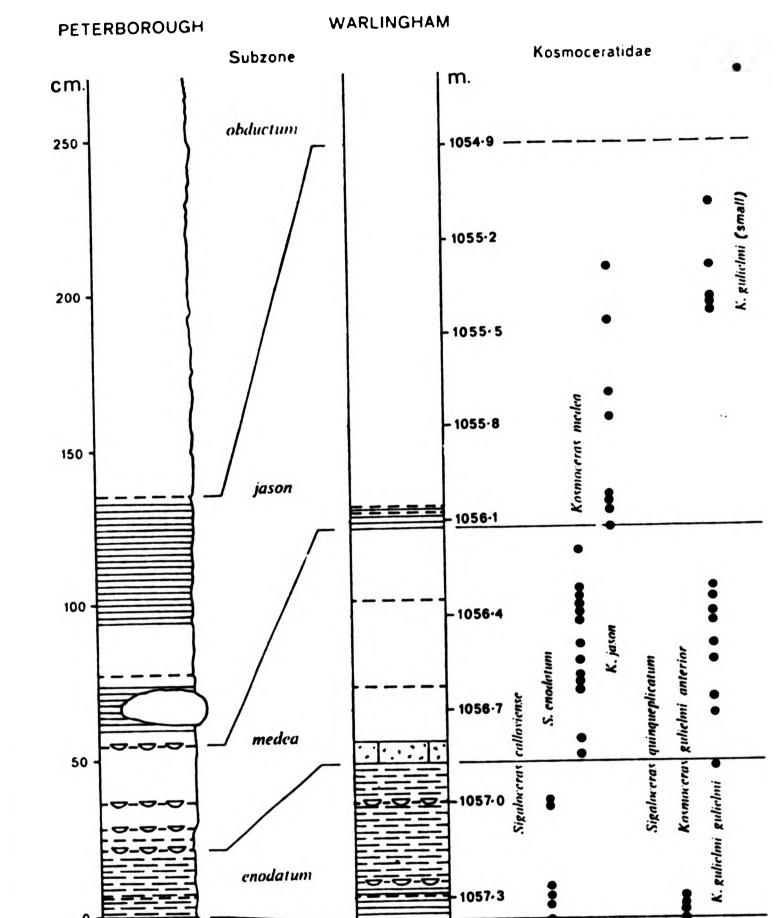
## E.coronatum zone (8.5 metres)

<u>K.grossouvrei</u> sub zone. This sub zone is marked by a limestone horizon towards the top, below which is a light green/grey calcareous mudstone, totalling some 5.7 metres. Pyritic and carbonaceous patches are developed locally. Lamellibranchs are numerous with the

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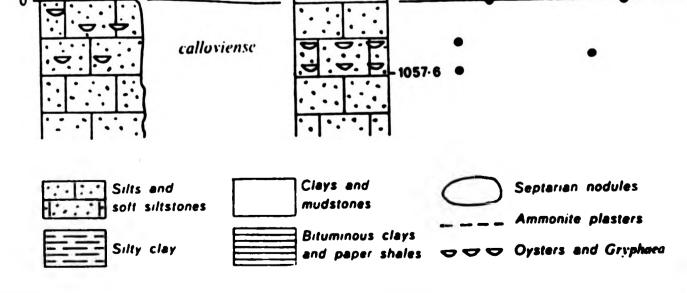
Text-fig. 2.4 Comparison of the lowest part of the Oxford Clay and topmost Kellaways Beds at Warlingham with the succession in clay-pits at Peterborough (after Brinkmann, 1929 and Callomon and Cope, 1971)





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occasional large ammonite. Base taken at 60.6 metres.

<u>K.obductum</u> sub zone. A marl band marks the top with green/grey mudstone below which is slightly silty. Abundant shell fragments with occasional pyritic ammonites and gastropods. Thickness 2.8 metres; base taken at 63.4 metres.

#### K.jason zone (1.2 metres)

<u>K.jason</u> / <u>K.medea</u> sub zone. A calcareous, green/grey, silty mudstone with shell debris and occasional oysters and ammonites. Pyritic development locally. It has not been possible to define the boundary between the <u>K.jason</u> and <u>K.medea</u> sub zones. Base taken at 64.6 metres.

## S.calloviense zone (3.5 + metres)

<u>S.enodatum</u> sub zone. A very thin (0.3 metres), light olivegrey siltstone, finely laminated with coarser silt material. Rich in <u>Gryphaea</u> with small ammonites, belemnites and lamellibranchs. Base taken at 64.9 metres.

<u>S.calloviense</u> sub zone. A greenish-grey, weakly-calcareous siltstone, with a silty mudstone at the base, totalling 3.2 metres. Contains finely comminuted plant debris. Large crushed <u>Mytilus</u> dominate the fauna, with abundant shell debris. Base taken at 68.1 metres.

<u>P.koenigi</u> / <u>M.kamptus</u> sub zone. 2.0 metres of non-calcareous, green/grey, slightly silty mudstone with few fossils except for occasional scattered pyritic fucoids. Base taken at 70.1 metres. (It has not been possible to discern the boundary between <u>S.calloviense</u> (<u>P.koenigi</u>) and <u>M.macrocephalus</u> (<u>M.kamptus</u>) sub zones, they are therefore grouped together).

3. Warlingham Borehole

A complete sequence from the Callovian to lower, Middle Oxfordian gives a total of 102.42 metres of calcareous mudstones and siltstones. A rich ammonite fauna has been obtained and a detailed zonation scheme made by Dr. J.H.Callomon, published in Callomon and Cope, 1971 (figs.2.4 and 3.2 herein).

At the base of the sucession the Kellaways Beds comprise 7.5 cm. of siltstone, overlying 0.5 metres of mudstone, which in turn overlies 4.5 metres of silty-sandstone. In its lowest 50 cm. the sandstone is

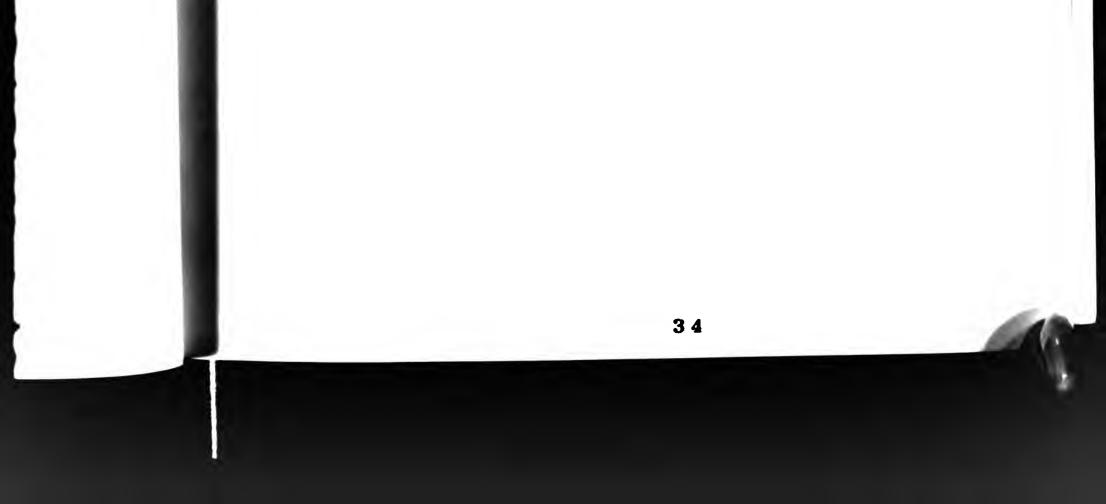
more argillaceous than above; it passes down to a 15 cm. mudstone bed which is classified with the Cornbrash because it contains <u>Melagrinella</u> echinata (Worssam and Ivimey Cook, 1971).

Above Kellaways is a full sequence of Oxford Clay. The division into Upper, Middle and Lower Oxford Clay has been made on grounds of convenience and lithology only and the boundaries are not necessarily isochronous (Callomon and Cope, 1971).

At the base the Oxford Clay is a series of bituminous shales with an abundant fauna. Fossils are profuse, scattered and preserved in friable white Calcium carbonate (often the original aragonite). They tend to be crowded on particular bedding planes forming dense shell beds. The base of the Lower Oxford Clay is taken at 1056.9 metres. Above this the Middle Oxford Clay is marked at the top by a fossiliferous limestone and probably corresponds to the limestone horizon marking the <u>Q.lamberti</u> zone of the Warboys borehole (see fig. 2.3). Below this the Middle Oxford Clay continues in poorly-fossiliferous, calcareous mudstones and siltstones, the whole being well-bedded and transitional with the bituminous shales of the Lower Oxford Clay at the base, which is taken at 1044.3 metres.

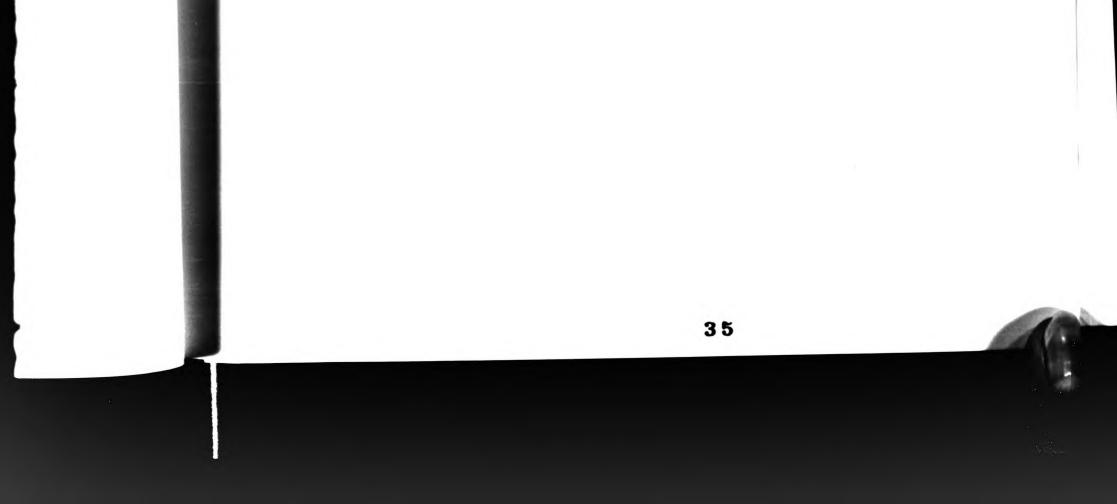
At the top of the Upper Oxford Clay the transition into the Corallian Beds is gradual, the boundary being arbitrarily drawn at the base of a bioturbated, ironshot, calcareous siltstone at 959.4 metres. Below this are 56 metres of alternating grey mudstones and pale grey calcareous siltstones in poorly-defined beds. They contain typical pyritized Upper Oxford Clay ammonites.

A detailed description of the lithology and faunal content of each zone and sub zone is given by Dr. J.H.Callomon in Callomon and Cope, 1971 (pp. 163-168) and need not be repeated here.



Chapter three

METHODS AND TECHNIQUES



#### METHODS AND TECHNIQUES

Dinoflagellates and other organic-walled microfossils may be encountered in a variety of water-deposited sediments. They have been recovered from virtually all types of rudaceous, arenaceous, calcareous, carbonaceous and siliceous rocks. They are particularly abundant in argillaceous rocks and 10 grammes of shale or clay may often yield "between 10,000 and several hundred thousand individuals" (Sarjeant, 1974a, p128). The Oxford Clay therefore, is an ideal lithological unit for collection of dinoflagellates.

#### A. COLLECTION OF MATERIAL

Contamination is one of the main difficulties to overcome when both sampling and making preparations of palynological material. The risk of this occuring therefore needs to be minimised as far as possible. Material collected from natural exposures in the form of coastal sections or quarry faces is always subject to the possibility of contamination, either during the collection proceedure or simply due to normal environmental factors of weathering and erosion.

Fresh unoxidised material is vital for accurate study of these microfossils. Material from cored-boreholes is therefore ideal for two reasons: firstly pollution risks are minimal (although care must be taken to ensure that no contamination has occurred from higher horizons caused by drilling muds and collapse of the cored-wall) and the material will not have been subjected to the effects of oxidation that occur at outcrop. Secondly, accurate positional measurements can be made for each sample taken.

Material used for this study was kindly provided by the Institute of Geological Sciences from two borehole localities; one (Warboys) taken from some 12 miles south-west of Peterborough; the other (Warlingham) from about 5 miles south-south-east of Croyden, Surrey (see text-figs. 1.1; 1.2;

1.3). A detailed description of the boreholes has been given in chapter 2.

Both cores were sampled at the Institute of Geological Sciences, Acton depot (West London) under the supervision of Mr.Stuart Hollyer. Samples of at least 60 grammes were carefully taken from each borehole at regular intervals of five feet, or as near as possible. The original core of the Warboys Borehole had been broken into bagged-samples at onefoot intervals, a sample was therefore taken from every fifth bag totalling 48 samples. At the base of the section, where the ammonite zones were less

than five-feet thick, at least one sample was taken from each zone (text-fig.

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# Text-fig. 3.1 <u>Stratigraphic distribution of samples in the</u> Warboys Borehole

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Text-fig. 3.2 Stratigraphic distribution of samples in the

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3.1). In the case of the Warlingham Borehole the entire core was still in its original form; a total of 70 samples were taken from registered specimens as near to the five-foot interval as possible (text-fig.3.2). The 118 samples were individually carefully bagged, labelled both inside and outside the bag and stored for processing.

#### B. PREPARATION OF MATERIAL

The primary objective during preparation of a sample is to isolate the organic palynomorphs (dinoflagellates, acritarchs, spores, pollen etc.) and to obtain a residue which is free from unwanted organic debris, heavy mineral, bitumen etc. This will facilitate examination of the remaining assemblage of palynomorphs with relative ease.

The preparation technique employed for this study is essentally that used by the Geology Department, University of Sheffield. The author is particularly indebted to Mr. Paul Higham who developed this technique, although a number of modifications have been found necessary after experimentation.

Each individual sample was treated as far as possible in an identical way, except for occasional, more unusual samples where modified treatment was found to be necessary. A record card accompanied each sample throughout the processing cycle on which was recorded details of the sample and treatment (text-fig. 3.3). Each piece of apparatus, previously sterilised with Chromic acid, also carried with it the sample number thus enabling more than one sample to be processed at any one time.

## 1. Preliminary examination

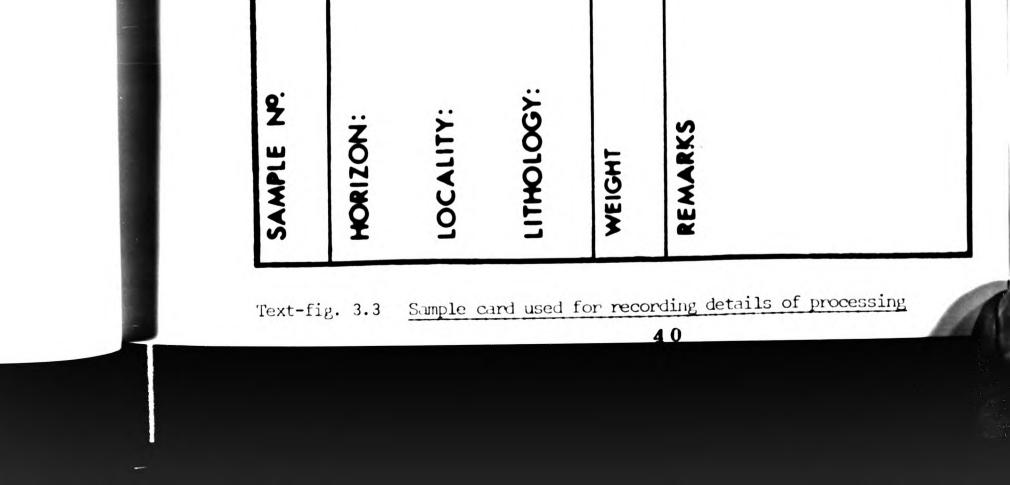
From the original 60 grammes cf material a sample of 50 grammes was taken for processing(the remaining 10 grammes being retained as a safeguard should the sample be lost at any stage of the proceedure). Where a sample included part of the outer perimeter of the core this was removed to avoid possible contamination from higher horizons caused by drilling muds. The sample was crushed in a pestle and mortar to grains of about 5 mm. diameter. Care was taken to avoid a grinding action to reduce the risk of damage to the specimens. (text-fig. 3.4a).

2. Removal of carbonates

The crushed sample was placed in a 1-litre polythene beaker with a few mls. of water and left to soak for a few minutes. Onto this was

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carefully poured 100-200 mls. of concentrated Hydrochloric acid (HCl) in order to remove any carbonates present and cause initial break-down of the sediment. The beaker was covered with a watch-glass and left in a fumecupboard for at least 2 hours. After this a little more HCl was poured onto the sample to test for any further reaction and thus for complete removal of carbonates. The residue was then washed with hot water and left to settle for a half to one hour. The sample was neutralised by decanting of the super-natant liquid and washing several times with water. Complete neutrality of the sample was tested with litmus paper.

## 3. Breakdown and removal of silicate minerals

The neutralised residue was transferred to a 500 ml. polythene bottle with a perforated screw-on cap. To this was added 200 to 300 mls. of concentrated (40% w/v) Hydrofluoric acid (HF). A little was added at first to test the initial reaction (which can be quite violent). After stirring the sample with a P.T.F.E. rod and replacing the cap, the bottle was placed on a heated sand-tray (kept at  $70^{\circ}$ C) to accelerate the breakdown process of the silicate minerals and left for a period of 2 to 3 days. A little agitation or stirring at intervals assisted breakdown during this period.

The spent acid was carefully decanted off into a polythene conainer with 2 to 3 litres of 10% Sodium bicarbonate  $(Na_2CO_3)$  solution (textfig. 3.4b) and stored for several days in a large (30 litre) polythene aspirator containing limestone chips in order to ensure complete neutrality of the HF before being discarded. The remaining residue was again washed several times with water and tested for neutrality.

The residue was transferred to a nylon micro-mesh sieve of 10 mu aperture washed for several minutes with hot water (text-fig. 3.4c) and placed in a sinter-glass funnel of porosity 2 (10to20 mu) incorporated in the apparatus as illustrated in text-fig. 3.4d. A small proportion of the residue was retained in a corked specimen bottle at this stage as a safe-

guard should the sample be lost during the next (most critical) stage.

4. Oxidation and filtration

A little of the residue was placed on a glass microscope-slide and examined under a microscope to see if this next stage in the proceedure was necessary. At this stage, the residue will contain mostly organic material plus a little heavy mineral. Amongst the organic material there will be, in addition to the desired microfossils, debris of plant and animal origin. Large fragments can be removed by a coarse sieving (150+ apert-

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Text-fig. 3.4 Photographs illustrating various stages in processing





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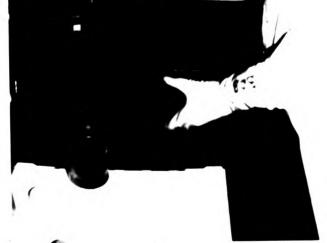


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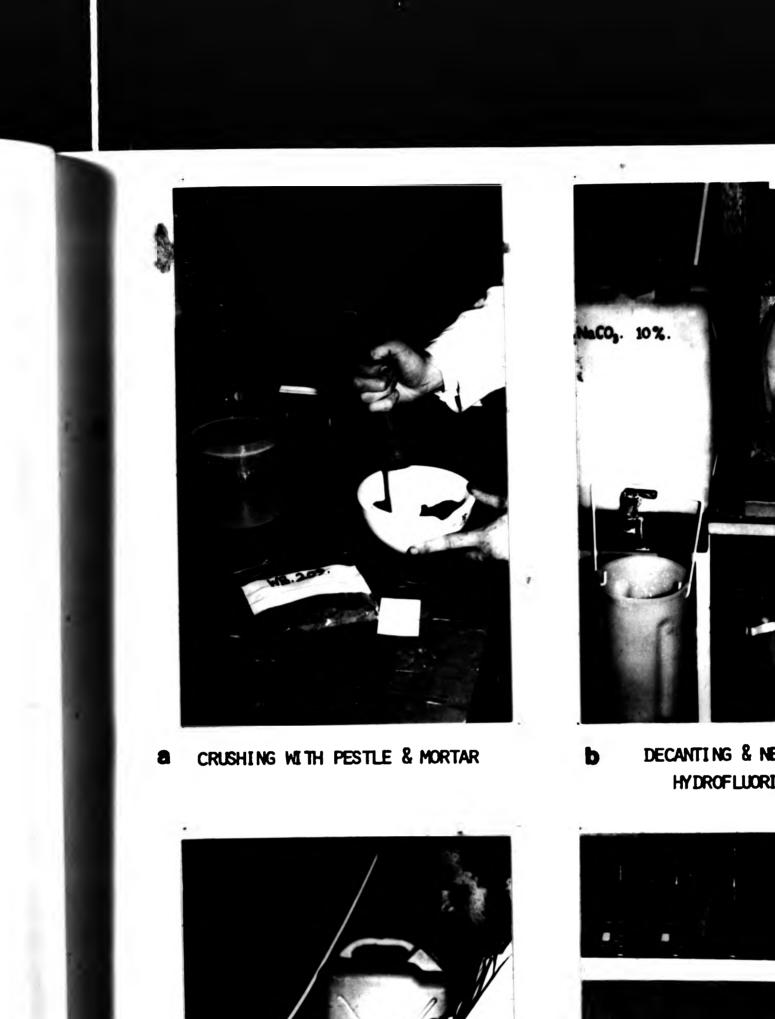
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To the residue in the sinter-glass funnel 20 to 30 mls. of fuming Nitric acid  $(HNO_{\mu})$  of 95% strength was carefully added and left to run through the filtration apparatus for about 10 minutes. The 'blowball' was used at intervals to blow air through the sinter-glass plate and prevent clogging of the pores and damage of the microfossils (textfig. 3.5a). The residue was then washed several times with water until neutralised.

A little of the residue was again examined under the microscope to see if all of the unwanted organic debris had been removed. Often loose material adhered to the microfossils, this was removed by subjecting the sample to ultrasonic vibration for a few minutes and then re-washed through the nylon micro-mesh sieve to remove the fine particles.

#### 5. Removal of heavy mineral

Having concentrated the microfossils, the only unwanted debris was heavy mineral. This was removed in one of the two following left ways:

> a.'Swirling' The residue in suspension was placed on a large watch-glass and swirled in a circular motion (as if 'panning for gold'). After a few minutes the heavy mineral concentrated in the centre of the watch-glass whilst the microfossils remained in suspension and thus could be removed (text-fig. 3.5b).

> b. Centrifuging The residue in suspension was placed in a small (15 ml.) centrifuge tube and centifuged for 1 minute to seperate the water from the microfossils. After pouring off the water about 10 mls. of saturated Zinc chloride (ZnCl3) solution was added to the residue and shaken. The tube was returned to the

centrifuge and spun for 20 minutes at 2000 r.p.m. On removal of the sample the organic fraction containing the microfossils was found at the top of the tube and the heavy mineral at the bottom (text-fig. 4.5c). The organic part was carefully removed and returned to the sinter-glass funnel and the Zinc chloride removed with Hydrochloric acid; the whole residue again being washed with water to complete neutrality.

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# Text-fig. 3.5 Photographs illustrating various stages in processing





a OXIDATION WITH FUMING NITRIC ACID

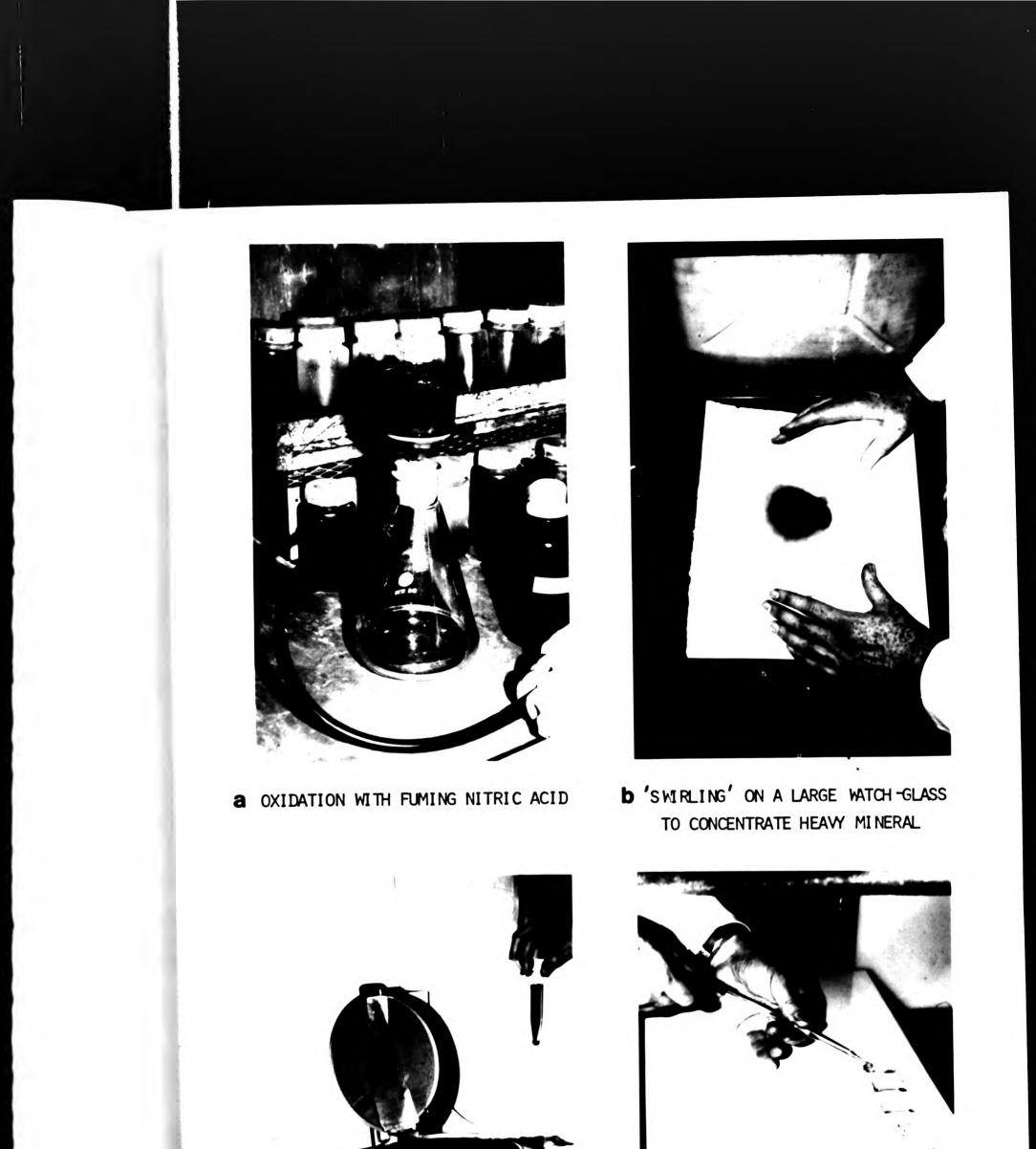


b'SWIRLING' ON A LARGE WATCH-GLASS TO CONCENTRATE HEAVY MINERAL





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C CENTRIFUGING TO SEPERATE HEAVY MINERAL FROM ORGANIC RESIDUE d MOUNTING OF FINAL PREPARATION ON GLASS COVER-SLIPS

#### 6. Staining

Each of the samples was stained using safranin to give the microfossils a red colouration. This was by personal preference rather than necessity, as many of the features were enhanced by the stain, giving greater contrast for photography. Safranin is a water-soluble stain and a little of this solution, made fresh for every sample, was added to the residue in the sinter-glass funnel and left to run through for about 3 minutes. The excess stain was then washed away with water and the effect of the staining examined under the microscope. The density of the staining was found to vary between samples even though the timing was consistent (This was probably due to the variation in intensity of the oxidation process). If the staining was found to be too weak the process was repeated and a few drops of Potassium hydroxide (KOH) solution (10%) added to the residue with the stain.

On completion of the processing cycle the sample was placed in a small, corked, specimen-bottle with a few drops of Formaldehyde (to prevent decomposition or algal/bacterial growths), labelled and stored for examination.

### C. PREPARATION OF MICROSCOPE SLIDES

A standard technique was used for making permanent mounts of the microfossils. A small amount (3 to 4 mls.) of the residue in suspension was taken from the specimen bottle and placed in another bottle of similar size. To this was added some 20 mls. of 1% Cellusize (Hydroxethyl cellulose) solution and the whole thoroughly mixed using the sucking action of a pipette. A little of this mixture was carefully pipetted onto a glass cover-slip (32mm. by 22mm.) which had previously been placed on an electric photographic dish-warmer, using the surface-tension of the liquid to contain the suspension on the cover-slip (text-fig. 3.5d). The dish-warmer was then switched on to a low heat (50° to 70°C) and covered to prevent contamination from the atmosphere. After two to three hours the liquid had evaporated leaving the microfossils firmly adhered to the cover-slip, the whole being ready for mounting.

Canada Balsam (neutral, thin) was used for making permanent mounts. A little was placed onto the cover-slip which had previously been placed on a slide-mounting hot-plate (at  $100^{\circ}$ C) and left for a few minutes for the Xylene to evaporate. Using mounting needles, the cover-slip was then transferred to a standard (1.5cm. by 7.5cm.) glass microscope slide and left to dry on the hot-plate for about 20 minutes. When cooled, the excess

Canada Balsam was removed from around the edge of the cover-slip using Xylene and a soft brush. The slide was dried and labelled ready for examination. Three slides were made of each preparation.

An alternative mounting medium - 'DPX' (an epoxy-resin) was experimented with as an alternative mounting-medium but found to be only about 50% successful. Occasionally shrinkage occurred a few months after mounting, introducing air-bubbles into the mount. However, the mounting is much quicker and cleaner using 'DPX' and requires no heat, the slides being left at least three days to dry. Excess mounting-medium can be peeled from around the edge of the cover-slip using a sharp blade.

#### D. EXAMINATION OF PREPARED MATERIAL

A qualitative analysis of each assemblage was first undertaken, with each dinoflagellate and acritarch being examined and identified. The different types were photographed (including morphological variants) and the photograph mounted to a 8" by 5" index card with appropriate annotations and reference numbers (sample, slide-coordinate and photo-negative numbers). A provisional identification was made and the cards filed in alphabetical order for ease of use. In this way a 'working catalogue' of species was built up.

This was followed by a quantitative analysis, or 'logging' of the slide. Two random samples were taken (Br.1006 and Br.1220) and systematically logged to determine the minimum number of specimens necessary to be counted in order to obtain a good representation of species diversity within the sample. In each of these two samples the minimum number was found to be 200, giving a total number of 39 species per 200 specimens in Br.1006 and 40 species per 200 specimens in Br.1220 (text-fig. 3.6). A 200-specimen count was therefore taken to be representative and each sample was logged accordingly. The first 200 specimens were counted and identified as far as possible, the details and total numbers of specimens per species were recorded on four specially-designed log-sheets (text-fig. 3.7). On each log sheet was printed a list of all published microplankton taxa recorded to date from the Upper Jurassic (taken from Lentin & Williams, 1977). Each slide was systematically traversed and absolute numbers recorded, up to and including 200 specimens. The rest of the slide was then examined for any further species which did not appear in the first 200count. These were found to be minimal and where they did occur were counted as a single occurrence. Only whole identifiable specimens were counted, or identifiable specimens where more than half of the cyst was present.

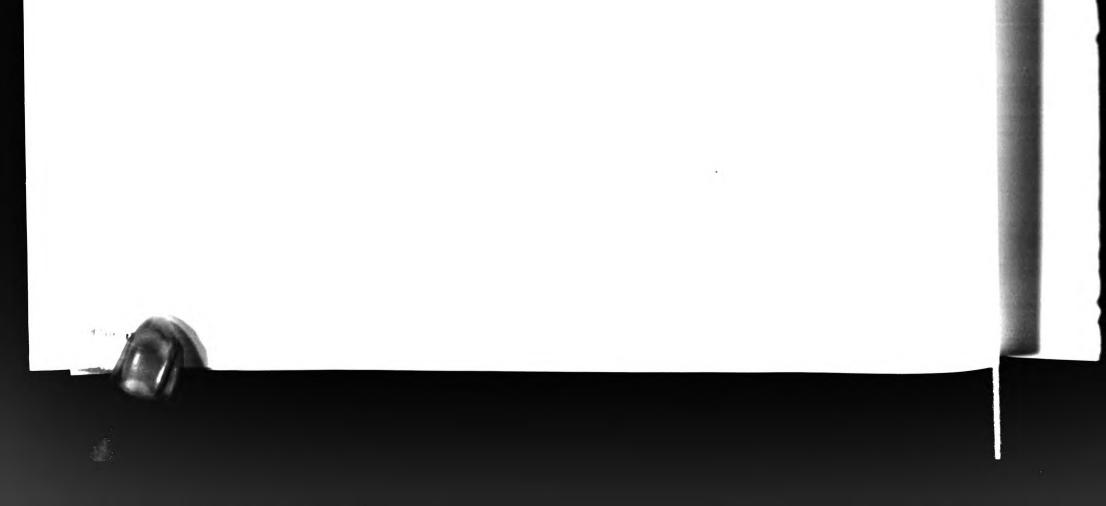
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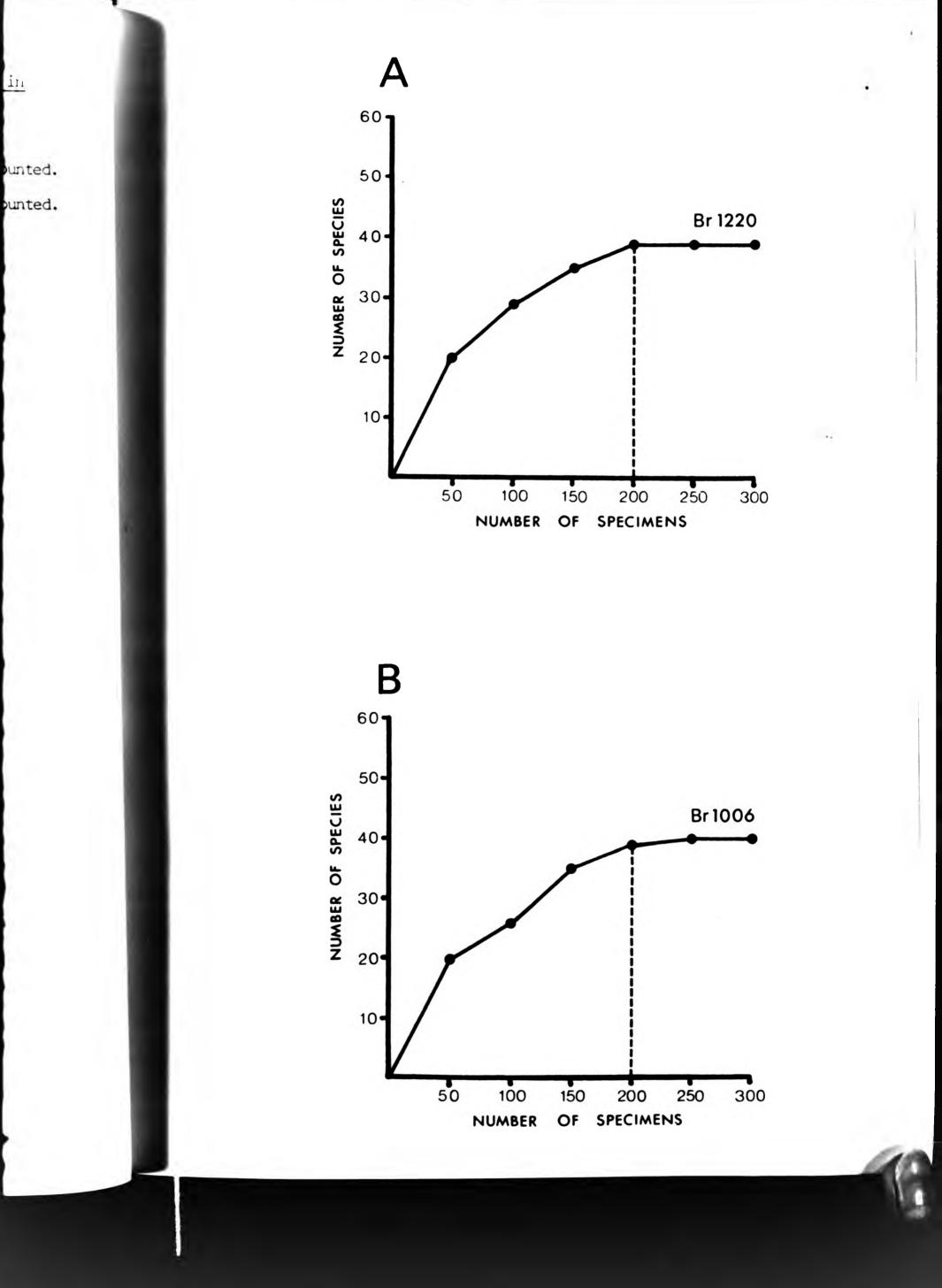
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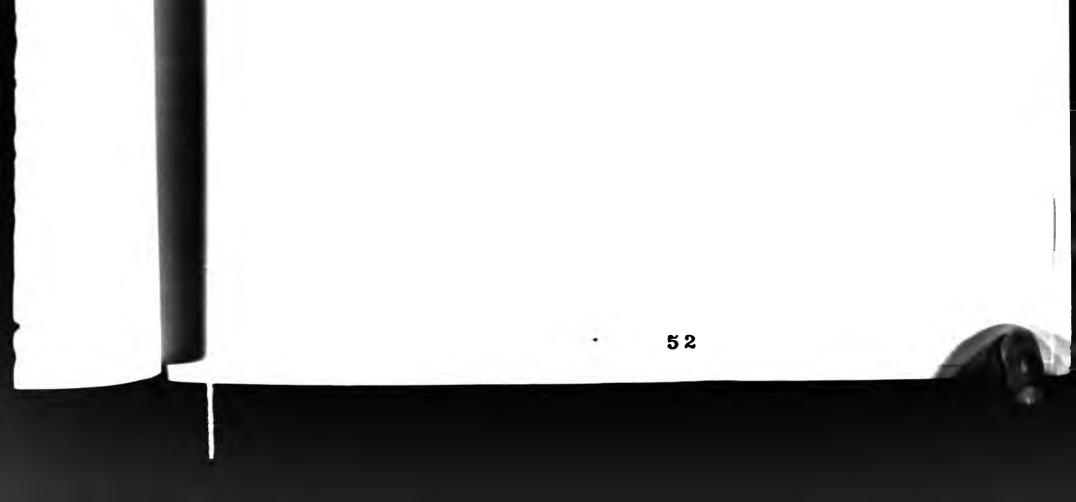
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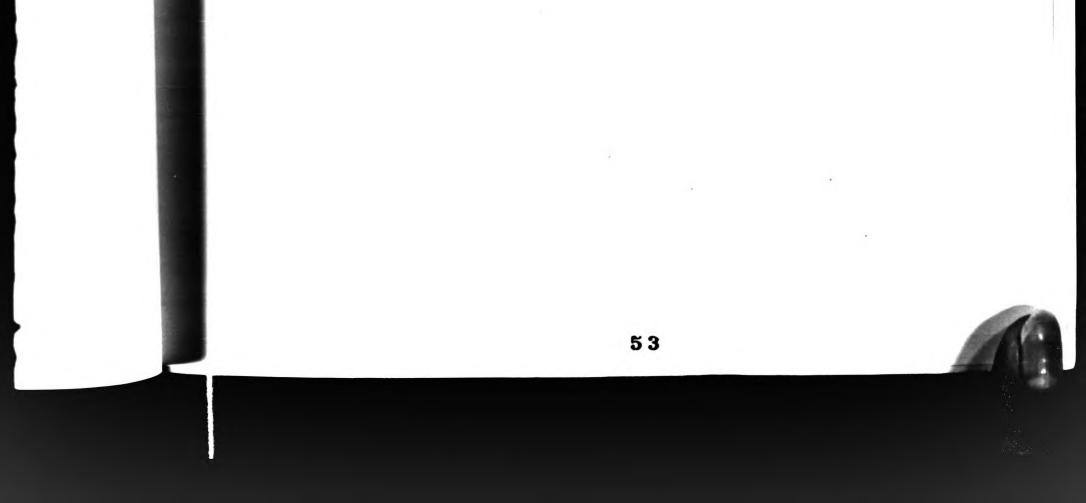
## E. PHOTOMICROGRAPHIC TECHNIQUES

The photomicrographs (plates 1 to 34) were taken with an OLYMPUS OM10 camera attachment to an OLYMPUS binocular microscope (BH), using FOTOKEMIA KB14, 35mm film (14 DIN = 20 ASA). Photographs were taken using either a X40 or X100 (oil-immersion) objective, depending on the size of the specimen to be photographed.



## Chapter four

TAXONOMY



#### TAXONOMY

#### A. DIVISION PYRRHOPHYTA

#### 1. Introduction

The Pyrrhophyta, or dinoflagellates, are unicellular organisms generally between 20 and 150 mu long, exhibiting both 'plant' and 'animal' characteristics. They are however, usually considered plants because of the presence of cellulose in the cell wall and chlorophyll pigments in the protoplasm. Most dinoflagellates possess two flagella for propulsion and have a prominant nucleus and a sculptured cell wall.

They are essentially marine organisms (although a few are known to tolerate both marine and fresh-water conditions) and have formed an important contingent of oceanic phtyoplankton since early Mesozoic times. Both heterotrophic and autotrophic modes of nutrition occur, although the latter predominate. Dinoflagellates are known to posess a complex lifecycle (Wall & Dale, 1968) which includes a vegetative or 'motile-thecate' stage and an encysted stage (text-fig. 4.1). The organic wall of the encysted stage is extremely tough and readily preserved in the fossil record. The vegetative, motile-thecate stage, by way of contrast, is very delicate and rarely, if ever, preserved.

A comprehensive study of the morphology and ecology is given by Sarjeant (1974a). Only a brief outline of cyst-morphology and terminology will be given here.

#### 2. Morphology of the Cyst

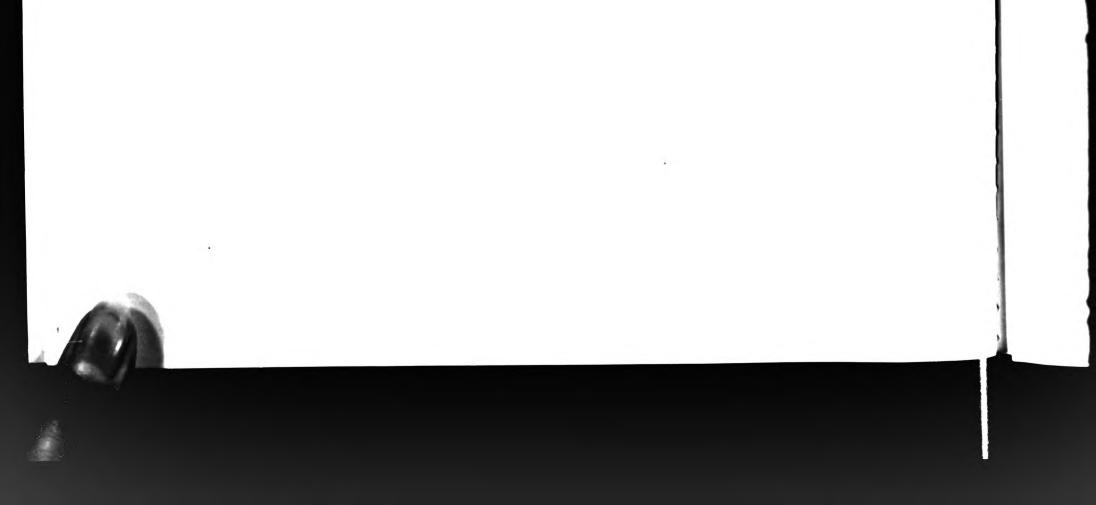
The resting cyst is smaller than the motile-stage theca. It is formed within the formerly motile cell and contains the same organelles. The cyst wall, or PHRGAMA is usually two-layered, consisting of an outer PERIPHRAGM and an inner ENDOPHRGAM. Where a single wall layer is present

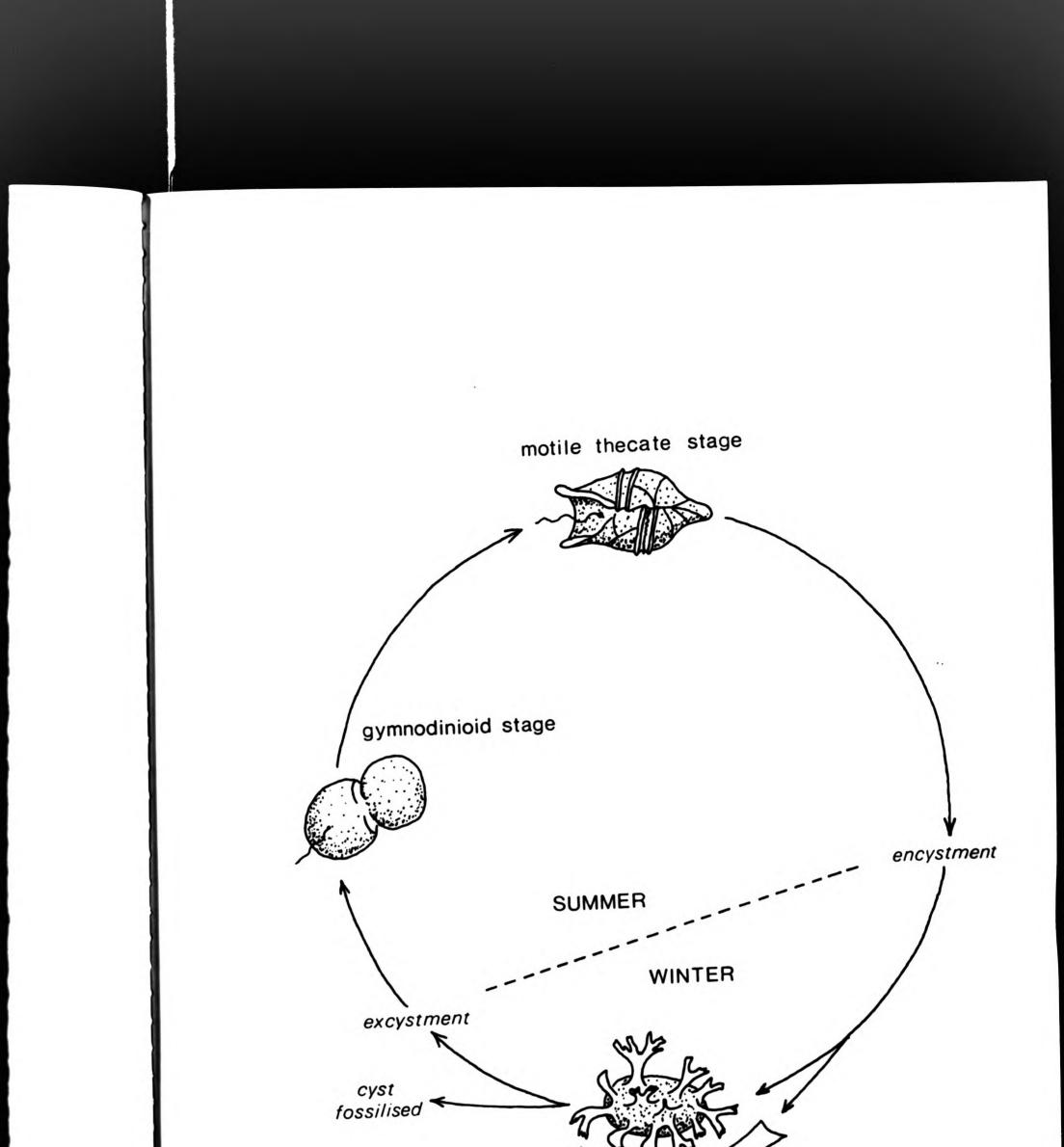
it is termed the AUTOPHRAGM. Occasionally cyts may have three wall layers. Where two layers are present it is the outer periphragm which develops any ornamental features. A cavity may develop between the two wall layers which is known as a PERICOEL. (For a full explanation of cyst-wall terminology, see tables 4.1 & 4.2).

The surface of the theca is commonly divided into a number of polygonal areas known as plates (te×t-fig. 4.2), the number and arrangement of which constitute the TABULATION. Where two plates lie adjacent to each other, the line of contact is termed a SUTURE. The cyst may develop a

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Text-fig. 4.1 Encystment - excystment life-cycle of a hypothetical (After Wall & Dale, 1968) dinoflagellate.





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PREFIX	MEANING	COMBINATION	DEFINITION
auto-	single	autophragm autocyst autocoel	single wall single body single cavity
endo-	inner	endophragm endocyst endocoel	inner wall inner body inner cavity
meso-	middle	mesophragm mesocyst mesocoel	middle wall middle body middle cavity
peri-	outer	periphragm pericyst periccel	outer wall outer body outer cavity
ecto-	extreme outer	ectophragm ectocyst ectocoel	extreme outer wall extreme outer body extreme outer cavity

STEM	MEANING	COMBINATION	DEFINITION
-phragm	wall	autophragm endophragm mesophragm periphragm ectophragm	single wall inner wall middle wall outer wall extreme outer wall
-cyst	body	autocyst endocyst mesocyst pericyst ectocyst	single body inner body middle body outer body extreme outer body
-coel	cavity	autocoel endocoel mesocoel pericoel ectocoel	single cavity inner cavity middle cavity outer cavity extreme outer cavity

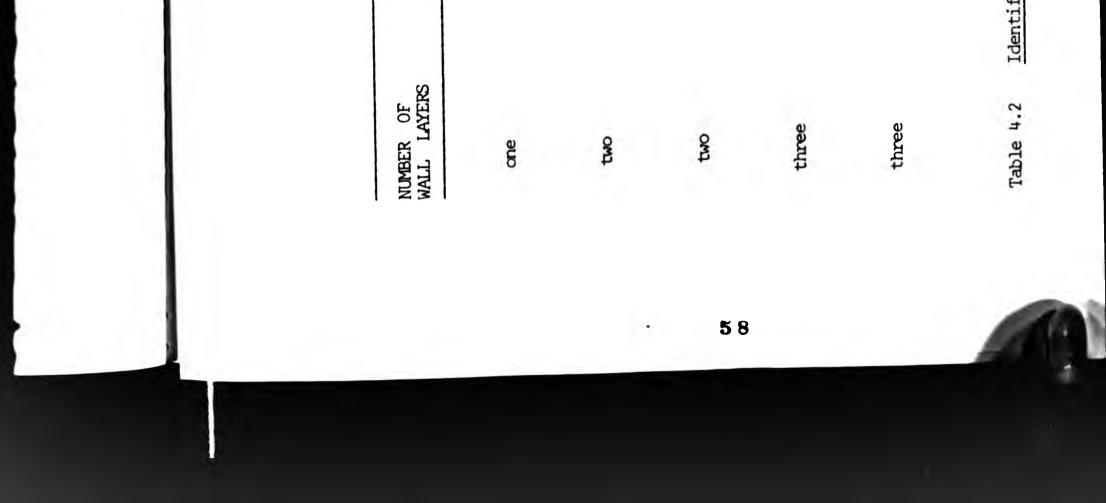
# Table 4.1 <u>Wall, body and cavity terminology in dinoflagellate cysts</u> (After Evitt, et.al., 1977)



EXAMPLES	Chytroeisphaeridia Pareodinia Sentusidinium	Sirmiodiniopsis Belodinium Senoniasphaera	Chlamydophorella Kylindrocysta Stephanelytron	Deflandrea (a few species)	Nematosphaeropsis Wetzeliella (a few species)
IDENTIFICATION OF LAYERS	autophragm	endophragm periphragm	autophragm ectophragm	endophragm mesophragm periphragm	endophragm periphragm ectophragm
REGULAR PROCESSES, ETC., INTERCONNECT THE LAYERS		Q	yes	Q	yes, with respect to the outer two layers

Identification of wall layers in a dinoflagellate cyst (After Evitt, et.al., 1977)

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variety of ornamental features in the form of processes, spines, crests, etc., which may be indicative of the original tabulation of the theca. Where this is so the features that reflect the tabulation of the original theca are referred to as PARATABULATION features. Thus, gonyaulacid, peridinioid and ceratioid cysts may be recognised according to the nature of the paratabulation. (The prefix 'para-' refers to features developed on the cyst rather than on the motile-theca).

The positions of the two motile-stage flagella are indicated by the longitudinal furrow or SULCUS and the transverse furrow or CINGULUM. When these features are reflected on the cyst they are termed PARASULCUS and PARACINGULUM respectively. The side of the cyst on which the parasulcus is situated is the ventral; the opposite side is dorsal. The paracingulum usually forms at the mid-point, dividing the cyst into two imperfect halves; the top half forming the EPICYST and the lower half the HYPOCYST (text-fig. 4.2). The paracingulum is usually spiral in nature, where this is the case the term LAEVOROTATORY is used to describe it. The anterior pole of the cyst is termed APICAL, the posterior pole ANTAPICAL.

Three basic types of dinoflagellate cyst are recognised, designated PROXIMATE, CHORATE and CAVATE, although intergradations between these exist (text-fig. 4.4). These three kinds may be distinguished according to the degree of contraction of the cyst within the theca and the development of a periccel.

<u>Proximate</u> cysts develop within the phragma in contact with the wall of the enclosing theca (text-fig. 4.3a). The tabulation, cingulum and sulcus are all usually reflected in the surface sculpture of proximate cysts (text-fig: 4.4a)

<u>Chorate</u> cysts develop further within the theca, having undergone great contraction during encystment, with the result that there is little morphological similarity between cyst and theca. The cyst is linked to the theca by PROCESSES which may correspond in position with plates or sutures of the thecal tabulation (textfigs. 4.3b; 4.4c). The term SKOLOCHORATE is used to distinguish chorate cysts bearing projections in the form of isolated processes from cysts with other types of projections, such as high septa or winglike membranes.

<u>Cavate</u> cysts are those in which the periphragm and endophragm are wholly or partially seperated. The cavity that forms is termed a pericoel and the central body a CAPSULE (text-figs. 4.3c; 4.4b). Traces of the tabulation, cingulum and sulcus may also be seen which suggests that cyst-formation may have taken

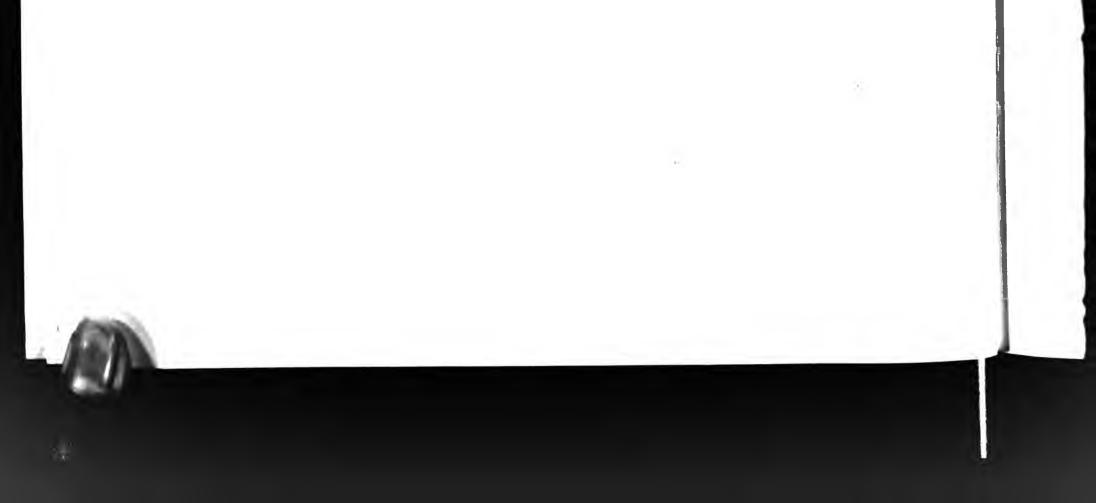
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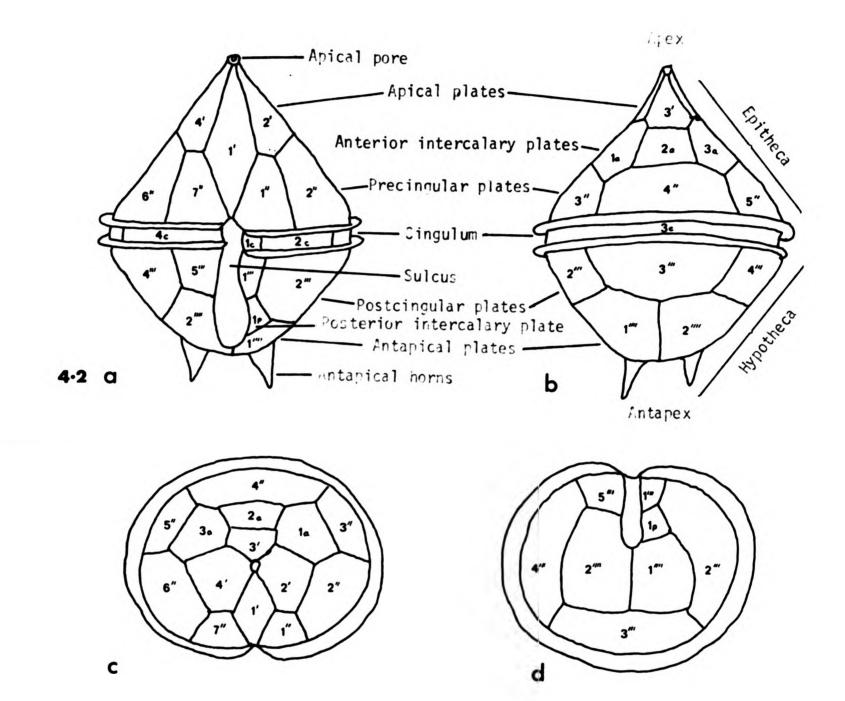
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Diagrams of a hypothetical dinoflagellate illustrating the terminology for the principle thecal structures and symbols used to identify plates (After Evitt, 1961)

a ventral view b dorsal view c apical view d antapical view

Text-fig. 4.3 Sections through hypothetical dinoflagellates illustrating the development of the cyst within the motile theca in each of the three main cyst-types (After Evitt, in Tschudy and Scott, 1969)

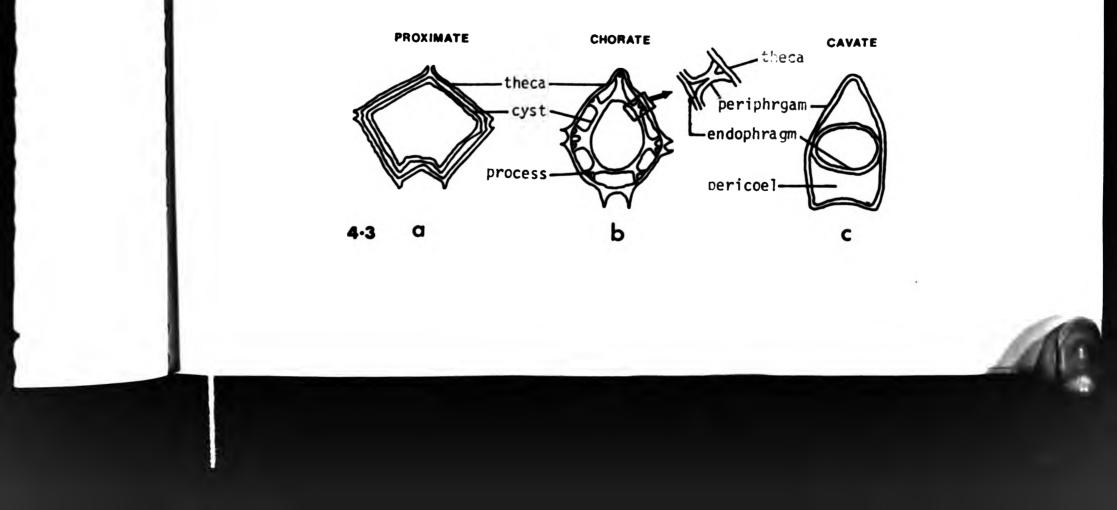




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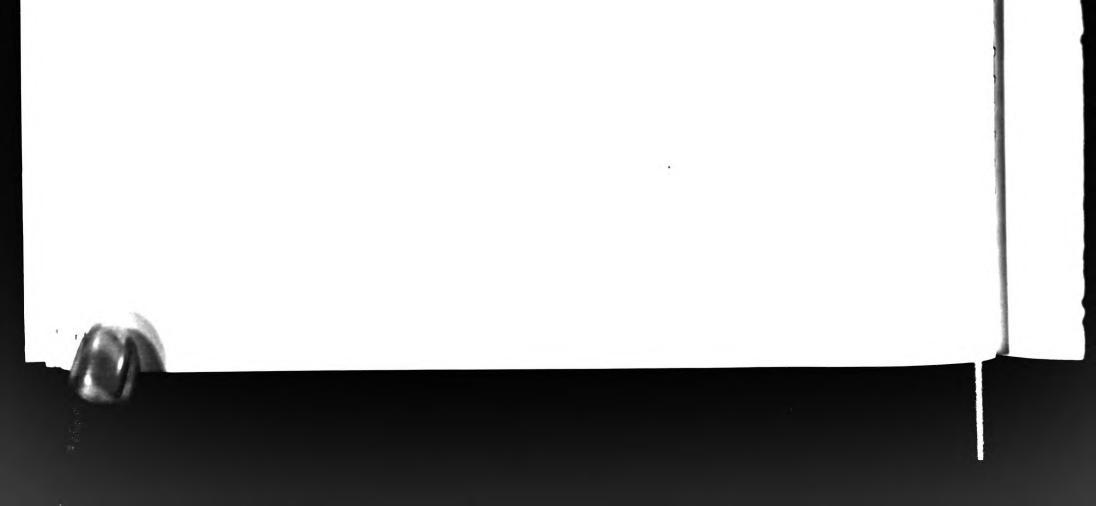
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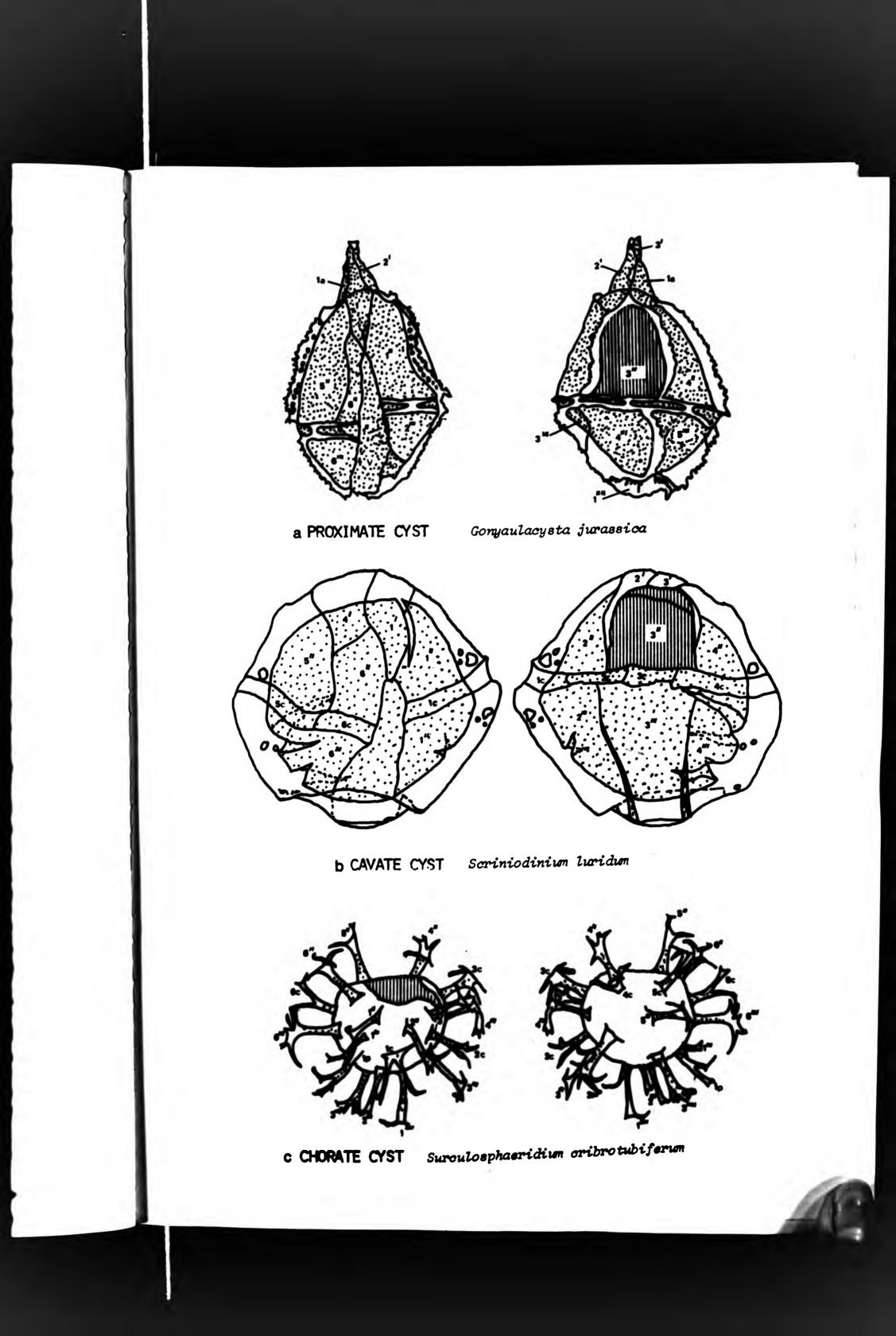


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Text-fig. 4.4

Diagrams illustrating examples of the three main groups of dinoflagellate cyst.





place close to, but not in contact with, the theca wall. The term HOLOCAVATE is given to cysts with more or less concentric wall layers which are completely seperated but with discontinuous supporting structures always present between the layers. CIRCUM-CAVATE is applied to cysts having wall layers which are seperated completely at the margins of the cyst, as seen in dorsal-ventral view, but are in contact in the mid-dorsal and mid-ventral areas. HYPOCAVATE cysts have wall layers that are conspicuously seperated in the posterior part of the hypocyst only. BICAVATE cysts have wall layers which are seperated in the anterior and posterior parts of the cyst, but not elsewhere.

The development of HORNS is characteristic of many dinoflagellate cysts, and are termed according to their position on the cyst as apical, antapical, etc. The surface of the cyst may be smooth or bear ornamentation in the form of fine granules (GRANULATE), coarse granules (VERRUCOSE), irregular ridges (RETICULATE), short spines (SPINOSE), indentations (PUNC-TATE), raised crests (SEPTATE) or processes. Processes are variable in form and number; they may be tubular or spine-like, solid or hollow, simple or branched, isolated or grouped, open or closed at their tips (DISTALLY), joined by linking trabeculae or membranes and may form complexes (text-fig. 4.5).

The polygonal opening found on the cyst is termed the ARCHEOPYLE. Cysts open at predetermined positions, the type of opening being consistent in any one species. Thus the archaeopyle is an important taxonomic feature for identification purposes. The archaeopyle is formed either by the loss of one specific paraplate or by a group of paraplates; this is termed the OPERCULUM. The operculum itself may be either attached to the cyst or become completely seperated during archaeopyle formation. The function of the archaeopyle is excystment, that is the aperture through which the protoplasmof the resting cyst stage passes to become the gymnodinioid stage. (text-fig. 4.1). Archaeopyles have been classified into four basic types: APICAL, INTERCALARY, PRECINGULAR and EPICYSTAL depending upon the exact location and number of paraplates involved (text-fig. 4.6). Combinations of these types may also occur. The archaeopyle is always situated on the epicystal half of the cyst. When all of the designated paraplates are clearly involved in the operculum, but the exact number is uncertain or immaterial to the context, the small letter 't' (for total) is used. Thus for example, the designation for the most common type of apical archaeopyles is either  $\overline{4A}$  or  $\overline{tA}$ . Similarly an epicystal archaeopyle can be depicted as tAtP, without the number of apical or precingular paraplates being specified. (The bar above the letters indicates that the operculum represents

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Text-fig. 4.5 <u>Process terminology - distal ends shown uppermost</u> (After Downie & Sarjeant, 1966)

## Key:

## OVERALL SHAPE

15 Stimulate complex 8 Buccinate 1 Conical 16 Erect 2 Subconical 9 Lagenate 17 Curved 10 Bulbose 3 Tapering 11 Annular complex 18 Sinuous 4 Cylindrical 12 Soleate complex 19 Latispinose 5 Infundibular 13 Arcuate complex 20 Slender 6 Flared 14 Linear complex 21 Tacinate 7 Tubiform

#### DISTAL TERMINATIONS

- 1 Acuminate
  - e 8 Oblate 9 Digitate

10 Branched

11 Bifurcate

12 Trifurcate

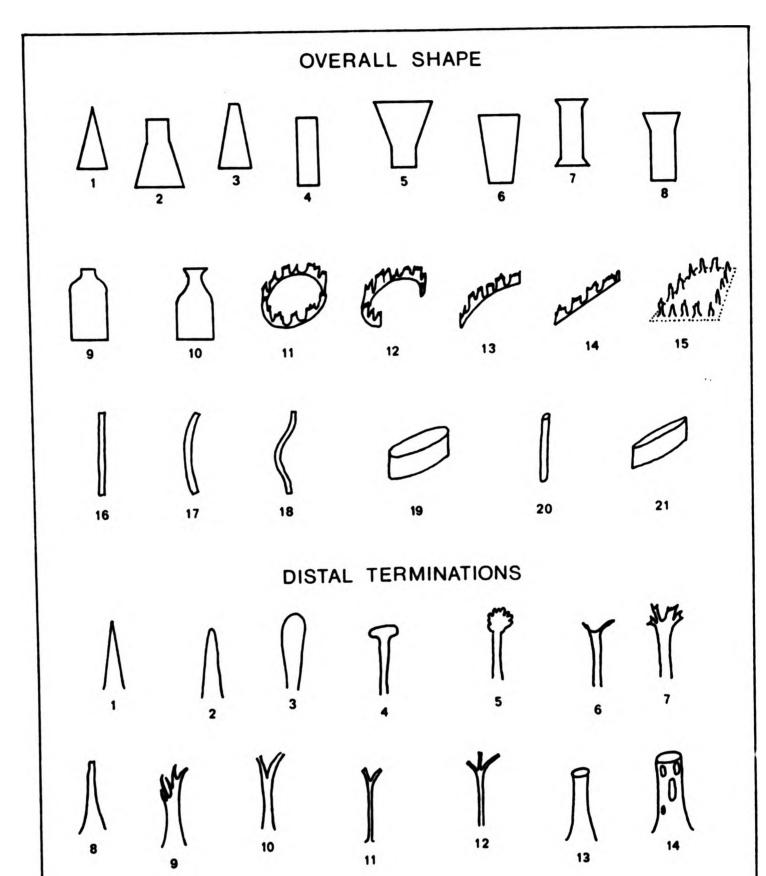
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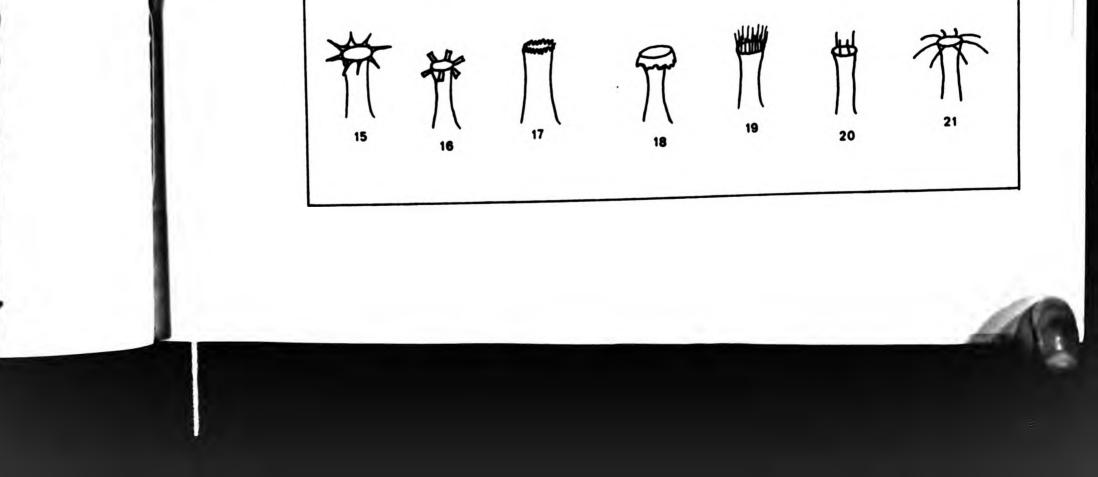
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- 2 Evexate
- 3 Bulbous
- 4 Capitate
- 5 Cauliferate
- 6 Bifid
- 7 Foliate

- 15 Arculeate
- 16 Secate
  - 17 Denticulate
  - 18 Recurved
  - 19 Patulate
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  - 21 Orthogonal





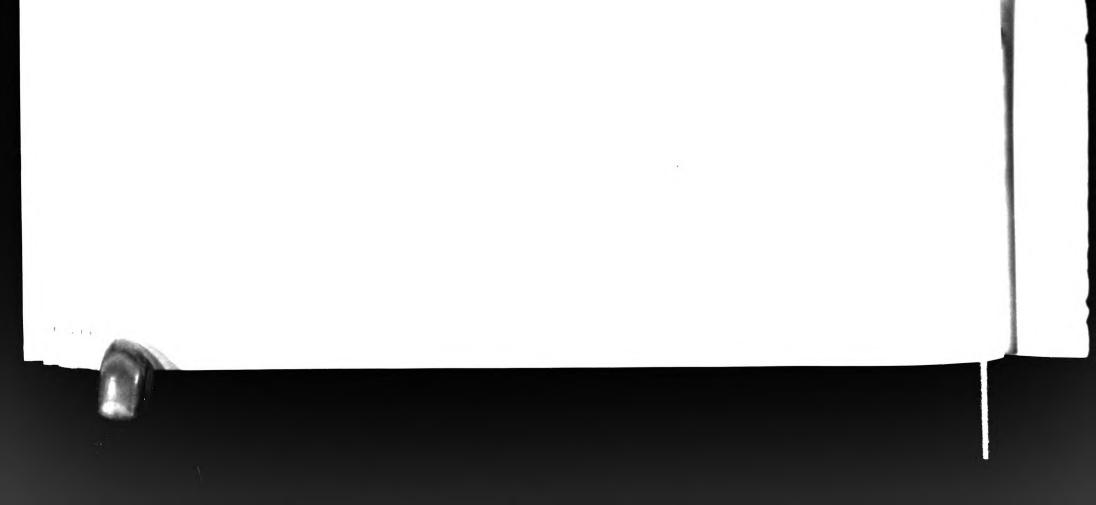


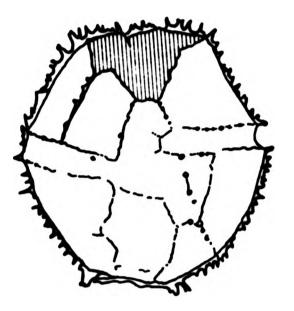
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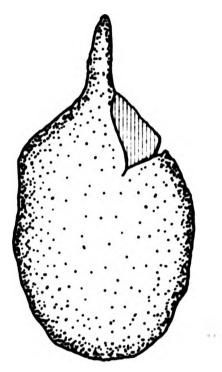
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Diagrams illustrating the four main types of archaeopyle development in typical Upper Jurassic dinoflagellate cysts.

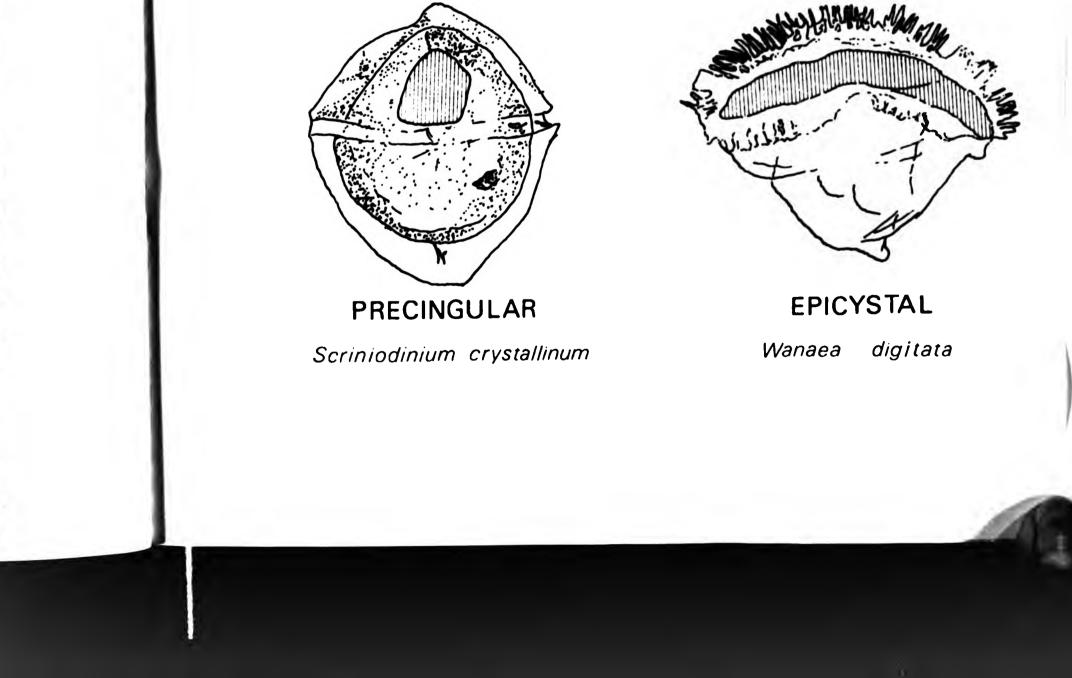


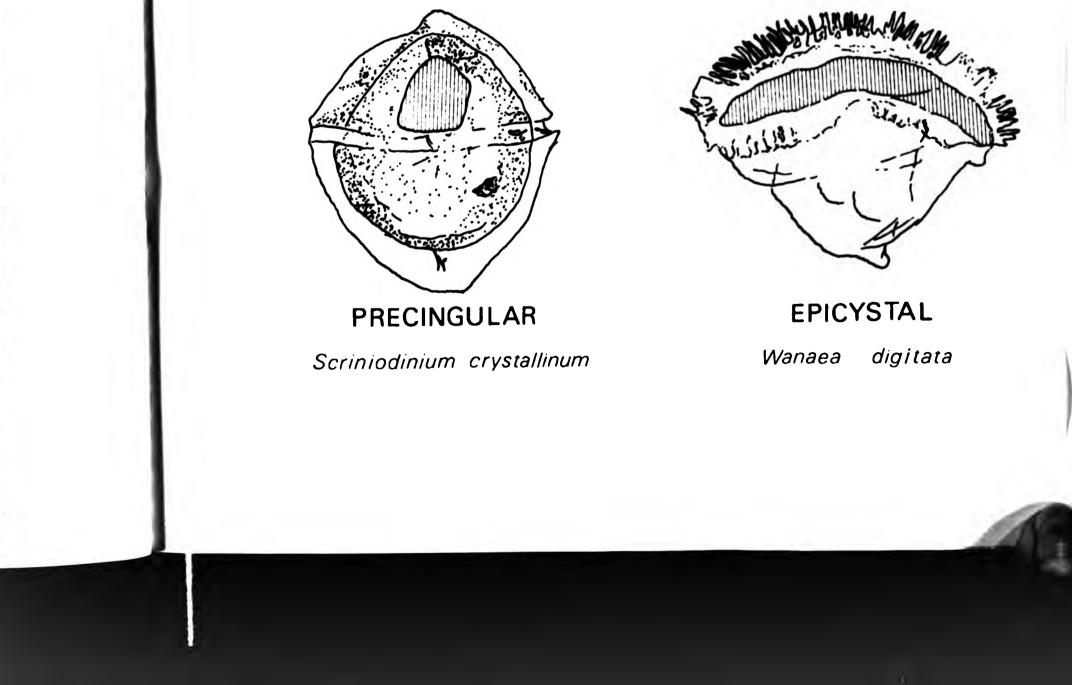


APICAL Lithodinia jurassica



INTERCALARY Pareodinia ceratophora





more than one paraplate in a series concerned).

#### Classification 3.

Kingdom PROTISTA Division PYRRHOPHYTA

Fossil dinoflagellate cysts are classified according to cyst type, reflected tabulation, archaeopyle type, general shape and sculpture (Evitt, 1961, 1963). The majority are ascribed to the class Dinophyceae, which are algae and are treated under the International Code for Botanical Nomenclature.

Formerly many dinoflagellate cysts were classed with the problematic 'hystrichospheres'. However, Evitt (1961, 1963) demonstrated that some of these were true dinoflagellate cysts, the remainder being assigned to the more problematical group Acritarcha.

Within the division Pyrrhophyta there are two main classes:

- Class DESMOPHYCEAE. These, thought to be the most primitive, have two flagella of equal length positioned at the anterior end of the motile cell, which is unarmoured. Cysts are unknown, but may be included amongst the acritarchs.
- Most dinoflagellates belong to this class. They Class DINOPHYCEAE. posess two unequal flagella originating from the mid-ventral surface. Within this class are three main orders:

Order GYMNODINIALES. These are unarmoured forms, possessing a flexible theca. They are commonly ellipsoidal, traversed by a deep equatorial cingulum and a shallow longitudinal sulcus. Although resting cysts are known, the lack of paratabulation features make bilogical affinities difficult to infer.

Includes forms with an armoured motile Order PERIDINIALES.

stage. In these the cingulum is equatorial and laevorotatory; the sulcus is longitudinal. The plates are arranged into apical, precingular, cingular, postcingular and antapical series, with additional intercalary and sulcal plates (text-fig. 4.2). Classification of this group has proceeded along two independent lines; one for the living motile forms and one for the fossil cysts; there is therefore a considerable degree of complication. Most fossil dinoflagellate cysts are included here.

Order DINOPHYSIALES. Although this group is unarmoured, the theca lacks distinctive tabulation. The cingulum is very anterior in position and less spiralled than in the Peridiniales, uniting with the sulcus in a T- or Y-shaped junction. Both furrows are bordered by flange-like crests.

#### B. GROUP ACRITARCHA

#### 1. Introduction

The acritarchs are a polyphyletic group to which any hollow, organic-walled, unicellular vesicle may be assigned until their true affinities are discovered (Evitt, 1963). However, the majority of described acritarchs do display a remarkable degree of similarity between them. Most are in the order of 20 to 150 mu in size and comprise a single-layered wall enclosing a central cavity. They may be entire or posess an archaeopyle-like opening. They have a much longer history than the dinoflagellates, ranging from late Precambrian to Recent times.

#### 2. Morphology

The acritarch vesicle consists of a CENTRAL BODY, enclosing a CENTRAL CAVITY from which may arise processes in the form of SPINES or CRESTS. The spines may be either hollow and connected with the central cavity or solid and closed at their base. Distally the spines may be either simple, bifurcate or complexly branched.

The wall of the vesicle is usually single-layered and homogeneous, although some forms have laminar walls with pores, or walls with double layers. When two layers are present these are termed ENDODERM and ECTO-DERM, for the inner and outer layer respectively. The wall itself is organic, being composed of SPOROPOLLENIN. The exterior surface may be

smooth, or finely-ornamented with granules, short spines, indentations or pores.

A PYLOME is frequently developed and presumed to serve the same function as the archaeopyle in dinoflagellate cysts; i.e., excystment. The simplest form of opening is a PARTIAL SPLIT of the vesicle. MEDIAN SPLITTING includes a complete division of the vesicle into two equal halves. If the splitting is incomplete and proceeds along an arcuate fissure to leave a hinged-flap, this is called an EPITYCHE opening. A circular or polygonal opening situated above the equator is termed a

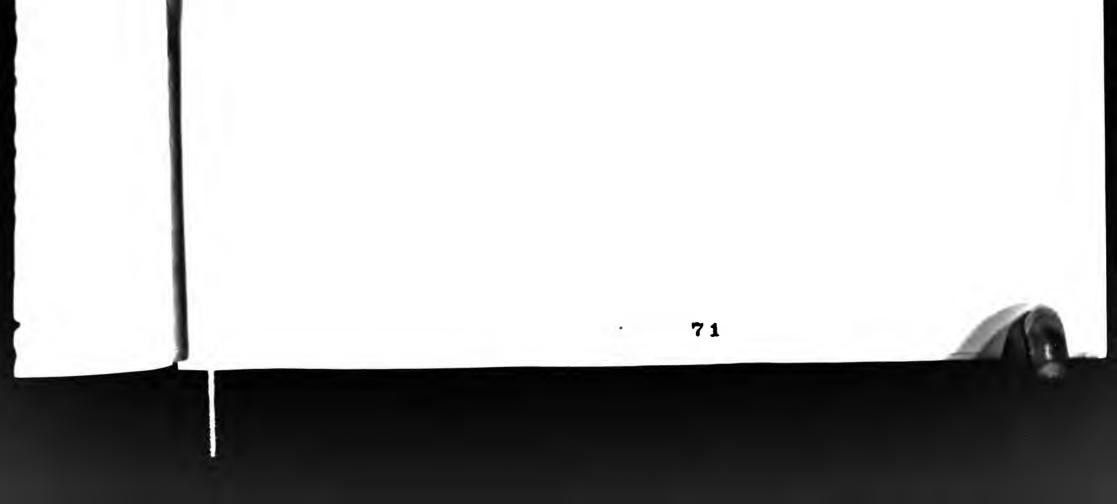
CYCLOPYLE. Cyclopyles usually form an OPERCULUM which may be hinged, released, or fall inside the central cavity after excystment.

# 3. Classification

Subdivision of the acritarchs has been hampered by the lack of biological information and so any attempts at a classification have been artificial. All described genera are form-genera only based on their broad morphological features. Downie, Evitt & Sarjeant (1963) have classified the acritarchs into thirteen form-groups, these are:

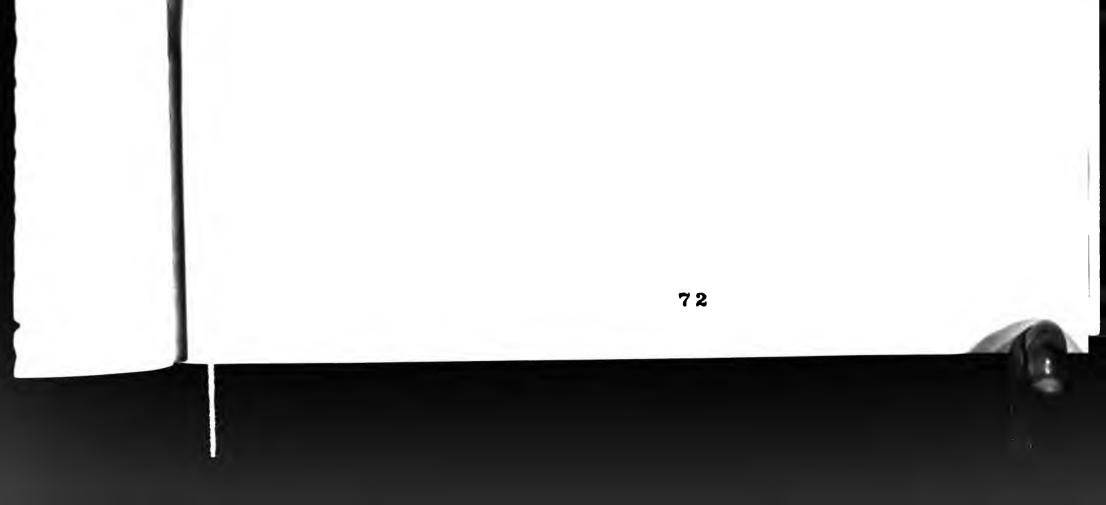
> ACANTHOMORPHITAE SPHAEROMORPHITAE POLYGONIMORPHITAE NETROMORPHITAE DIACROMORPHITAE HERKOMORPHITAE PTEROMORPHITAE PRISMATOMORPHITAE OOMORPHITAE STEPHANOMORPHITAE DISPHAEROMORPHITAE PLATYMORPHITAE

Spherical forms with spines Spherical forms without spines Polygonal forms with spines at apices Elongate forms, with or without spines Ellipsoidal forms with polarised ornament Spherical forms with alae or crests Ellipsoidal forms with equatorial ring Prismatic forms with ornamental crests Ovoid forms with ornamentation at one pole Referred to Dinophyceae Spheroidal forms with a double wall. Referred to Dinophyceae Referred to (?)Dinophyaceae





SYSTEMATICS



In the following systematic section species are arranged in alphabetical order within each of the four major groups:

Order PERIDINIALES
 Order DINOPHYCIALES
 Group ACRITARCHA
 INCERTAE SEDIS

Synonymy lists have been reduced to a minimum. The first author and subsequent changes in nomenclature which precede the formalisation of the name adopted are given. Full descriptions of new taxa are given. Generic diagnoses are taken from Stover & Evitt, 1978, unless otherwise stated.

Class DINOPHYCEAE Pascher Sub-class DINOFEROPHYCIDAE Bergh Order PERIDINIALES Schutt, 1898

Genus ACANTHAULAX Sarjeant, 1968

1966aAcanthaugonyaulaxSarjeant: 1321968AcanthaulaxSarjeant: 227

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximochorate, subspherical, with or without apical protrusion; paratabulation gonyaulacacean, indicated by parasutural ridges with spines or simply rows of spines; spines or tubercles present between parasutural features; surface between spines smooth or has features of low relief.

Type species Acanthaulax venusta (Klement, 1960) Sarjeant, 1968

Acanthaulax senta Drugg, 1978

(Pl.1, figs.1,2)

1961a	Gonyaulax areolata Sarjeant: 95
1964	Gonyaulax scarburghensis Sarjeant: 472
1969	Gonyaulacysta scarburghensis Sarjeant: 11
1978	Acanthaulax senta Drugg: 62

Diagnosis Drugg, 1978; p62, pl.3, fig.13; pl.4, figs.1-3

<u>Description</u> A relatively large, rounded to ovoidal proximate cyst. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only, with distinctive but variable, non-tabular ornamentation in the form of spines from 2-4mu in length. Spines are either isolated, or more often linked distally by trabeculae giving an outer mesh-like appearance. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only which is precingular, type P (3" only). A feint paracingulum may be present. A prominant apical horn is always present, formed by elongate anastomosing fibres. More elongate spines are also

often present in the antapical region, but not in the form of an antapical horn.

Dimensions Overall length of cyst: 101-127 mu Overall width of cyst: 88-111 mu (4 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens recovered compare very closely to those described by Drugg,(1978),particularly in size-range. They differ from the original description given by Sarjeant (1961a) in being considerably smaller in size, and in the consistent lack of paratabulation features, excepting the archaeopyle. For this reason <u>A.senta</u> Drugg, 1978 is adopted rather than <u>Gonyaulacysta scarburghensis</u> Sarjeant, 1969. Preservation of material is particularly good.

Occurrence Warboys: A single specimen from WB.73 only (scarburghense). Warlingham: Br.785 to Br.170 (scarburghense to cordatum).

Sporadic occurrences throughout the entire L.Oxfordian in the Warlingham section.

Range Previously recorded from U.Callovian (<u>athleta</u>) to M.Oxfordian (plicatilis).

# Acanthaulax cf. senta Drugg, 1978 (Pl.1, figs.3-5)

<u>Description</u> A large, subquadrate proximate cyst. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only, which is smooth showing no surface ornamentation. An apical horn is present formed by anastomosing fibres. Folds are often present in the autophragm. Paratabulation indicated by the archaeopyle only which is precingular type P (3" only) in which the operculum is often attached. A paracingulum may be feintly discernible.

Dimensions Overall length of cyst: 88-113 mu Overall width of cyst: 78-88 mu

(6 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens closely resemble <u>A.senta</u> in their gross morphology, but differ in their total lack of surface ornamentation except in the apical region; <u>A. cf. senta</u> is also smaller in size. It is possible that specimens may be abraided forms of <u>A.senta</u> having lost their surface ornamentation. However specimens of both types occur in the same samples. Furthermore, the invariably good preservation and presence of the operculum intact suggests that this is not so. A sub-specific place within <u>A.senta</u> may be warranted to include these specimens.

<u>Occurrence</u> Warboys: single occurrences in WB.228 and WB.209 only (<u>kamptus</u> to jason). Warlingham: sporadic occurrences from Br.727 to Br.292 (<u>scarburghense</u> to <u>bulowskii</u>). Overal range: L.Callovian (<u>kamptus</u>)to U.L.Oxfordian (bulowskii).

#### Genus ADNATOSPHAERIDIUM Williams & Downie, 1966

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts skolochorate, body subspherical with solid or hollow, tubular to funneliform, intratabular processes; adjacent processes connected distally by ribbon-like to fenestrate trabeculae; archaeopyle apical, Type TA.

Type species Adnatosphaeridium vittatum Williams & Downie, 1966

Adnatosphaeridium aemulum (Deflandre, 1938) Williams & Downie, (Pl.2, figs.1-5; Pl.3, figs.1,5)

1938Hystrichosphaeridium aemulum Deflandre: 1871947aCannosphaeropsis aemula Deflandre: 15751969Adnatosphaeridium aemulum (Deflandre) Williams & Downie: 17DiagnosisDeflandre, 1938; p187-9, pl.9,fig.12; Pl.10,figs.5-8; Pl.11

figs.1,7.

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large skolochorate cyst with a subspherical central body. Autophragm forms body and processes, ectophragm forms slender and smooth, relatively wide and fenestrate, trabeculae that extend between the distal ends of the processes. Intratabular processes are hollow, tubular to funneliform in form; they are equal in length but vary in width, about 15 in number and branch at their mid-point in length. Archaeopyle apical type tA, operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall diameter of cyst: 88-121 mu Overall diameter of central body: 37-63 mu. (20 specimens measured)

Remarks Although specimens are variable in size, <u>A.aemulum</u> is differ-

entiated from <u>A.caulleryi</u> (Deflandre, 1938) Williams & Downie, 1969 on the nature of the processes and ratio of the central body to the overall diameter of the cyst; in <u>A.aemulum</u> the processes are tubular and tend to be constant, whereas in <u>A.caulleryi</u> they are solid and greater in number; the central body in <u>A.aemulum</u> is smaller than in <u>A.caulleryi</u>, but the overall size of the cyst is larger.

<u>Occurrence</u> Warboys: WB.224 to WB.43 (<u>koenigi</u> to <u>scarburghense</u>) in relatively low numbers except for sample WB.148 where 24 individuals were encountered.

Warlingham: Br.1833 to Br.115 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>) in fairly low numbers except for samples in U.L., and M.Oxfordian. Overall range L.Callovian (<u>koenigi</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>) Range Previously recorded from Bathonian to Oxfordian.

Adnatosphaeridium caulleryi (Deflandre, 1938) Williams & (Pl.1, figs.1,2; Pl.2,fig.6; Pl.3,figs.2-4,6,7) Downie, 1969

1938	Hystrichosphaeridium caulleryi Deflandre; 189
1947a	Cannosphaeropsis caulleryi Deflandre: 1575
1969	Adnatosphaeridium caulleryi (Deflandre) Williams & Downie: 17

Diagnosis Deflandre, 1938; p189, pl.11, figs.2, 3.

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large skolochorate cyst, with a spherical to subspherical central body. The autophragm bears a large number of solid processes which are slender and may be either straight or diversely recurved, simple or ramifying. Processes are linked distally by trabeculae at a relatively short distance from the central body. Archaeopyle apical type  $\overline{tA}$ ; operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall diameter of cyst: 65-114 mu Overall diameter of central body: 35-61 mu (10 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> The relatively short, solid and numerous processes, with their greater variety of form, distinguish this species from <u>A.aemulum</u> (Deflandre, 1938) Williams & Downie, 1969, although in practice the two species are not easily distinguished.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.28 (kamptus to praecordatum)

Warlingham: Br.1813 to Br.140 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>) Never more than 9 specimens in any one sample, usually less than 5. Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>kamptus</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>).

Range L.Callovian to U.Kimmeridgian (Sarjeant, 1979)

## Genus APTEODINIUM Eisenack, 1958

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximate, subspherical, normally with short apical projection; autophragm may bear some non-tabular features of low relief; paratabulation indicated typically by archaeopyle and paracingulum, occasionally also by faint parasutural features in equatorial area; archaeopyle precingular, type P.

Type species Apteodinium granulatum Eisenack, 1958

# Apteodinium granulatum Eisenack, 1958 (Pl.4, figs.1,2)

Diagnosis Eisenack, 1958; p386; pl.23, figs. 8-14; text-fig.3.

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large proximate cyst, subspherical to subpentagonal in outline, with a short apical horn which bifurcates distally. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is distinctly folded and bears non-tabular granulations of low relief. Paratabulation indicated by archeopyle which is precingular, type P (3" only). Paracingulum weakly developed.

Dimensions	Overall length of cyst:	65-96 mu
	Overall width of cyst:	50-76 mu
	(4 specimens measured)	

<u>Remarks</u> This species of <u>Apteodinium</u> is similar to <u>A.nuciforme</u> (Deflandre, 1938) Stover & Evitt, 1978, but is distinguished by its surface ornamentation which is less dense and of lower relief than <u>A.nuciforme</u>. The presence of folds in the autophragm appears to be distinctive.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.48 (<u>scarburghense</u>) a single specimen only. Warlingham: Br.1531 to Br.194 (<u>grossouvrei</u> to <u>corsticardia</u>). Overall range: M.Callovian (<u>grossouvrei</u>) to U.L.Oxfordian (<u>corsticardia</u>).

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from M.Kimmeridgian to Aptian (Sarjeant, 1979). The range of <u>A.granulatum</u> is therefore extended down to Middle Callovian (grossouvrei) on the basis of this study.

> Apteodinium nuciforme (Deflandre, 1938) Stover & Evitt, 1978 (Pl.4, figs.3-7)

1938	Palaeoperidinium nuciforme Deflandre: 180
1962a	Gonyaulax nuciformis (Deflandre) Sarjeant: 482
1968	Gonyaulacysta nuciformis (Deflandre) Sarjeant: 227
1978	Apteodinium nuciforme (Deflandre) Stover & Evitt: 142

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1962a; p482-3; pl.69, fig.6; text-fig.4

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size proximate cyst, subspherical in outline. Apical process short and broad, bifurcating briefly distally, giving rise to a short terminal process. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is densely and coarsely granular. Paratabulation difficult to determine, apparently ?4', 1a, 6", 6"', 1p, 1"" (after Sarjeant, 1962a) Paracingulum present. Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only).

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<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 50-78 mu Overall width of cyst: 43-64 mu

(7 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens examined agree closely with those described by Sarjeant (1962a), and with the original illustrations of Deflandre (1938). It is a distinctive species and can easily be distinguished from <u>A.granulatum</u> Eisenack, 19**58** by its dense surface granulations and absence of folds in the autophragm.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.93 to WB.68 (U.<u>athleta</u> to L.<u>scarburghense</u>) Warlingham: Br.1833 to Br.115 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>) Isolated occurrences in Callovian samples of Warlingham, but continuous in lower and middle Oxfordian. Never occurs more abundantly than 4 specimens per sample.

Overall range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale)

<u>Range</u> Previously known range M.Callovian (jason) to Portlandian (Sarjeant, 1979). The range is therefore extended to L.Callovian (<u>callov</u>iense) on the basis of the present study.

> Apteodinium cf. nuciforme (Deflandre, 1938) Stover & Evitt, 1978 (Pl.4, figs.8,9)

<u>Description</u> A large, ovoidal to subquadrate, proximate cyst. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is folded. Prominant apical horn, bifurcating distally and giving rise to a short terminal process. Wall surface finely granular. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only, precingular type P (3" only), although paracingulum is often present. Other paraplates are faintly discernible.

Dimensions Overall length of cyst: 103-126 mu Overall width of cyst: 78-93 mu (2 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens closely resemble <u>A.nuciforme</u> but differ in size and surface features; <u>A.nuciforme</u> being smaller and having a more coarsely granular surface ornamentation. This species may be an intermediate form

between <u>A.nuciforme</u> and <u>A.granulatum</u> Eisenack, 1958, resembling <u>A.granu-</u> latum in its size and folded autophragm.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.224 to WB.28 (<u>koenigi</u> to <u>praecordatum</u>) Warlingham: Br.554 to Br.520 (<u>scarburghense</u>) Single occurrences only except for sample WB.224 where 3 specimens were encountered.

Overall range: L.Callovian (koenigi) to L.Oxfordian (praecordatum)

#### Genus BATIACASPHAERA Drugg, 1970

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts subspherical and without septa, spines or processes; autophragm variously ornamented with isolated and/or fused features that are typically evenly distributed and generally fine; archaeopyle apical, type tA.

#### Type species Batiacasphaera compta Drugg, 1970

Batiacasphaera dictydia (Sarjeant, 1972) Davey, 1979 (Pl.4, figs.10,11,13,14)

1972 Chytroeisphaeridia dictydia Sarjeant: 41

1979 Batiacasphaera dictydia (Sarjeant) Davey: 217

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1972; p41; pl.3, fig.3; pl.6, fig.6

<u>Description</u> A small spherical to subspherical cyst, consisting of autophragm only which is densely ornamented with fine granulations in the form of minute reticulae. Paratabulation indicated by apical archeopyle only, type tA. Principle archaeopyle suture zigzag; operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 33-51 mu Overall width of cyst: 30-56 mu (8 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> This species was formerly attributed to <u>Chytroeisphaeridia</u> but transferred to <u>Batiacasphaera</u> on account of its apical archaeopyle by Davey (1979, p217). It is closely related to <u>Lithodinia</u> but can be distinguished from it by the absence of paratabulation and in size (<u>Batiacasphaera dictydia</u> being smaller). One specimen (Pl.4,fig.14) appears to exhibit a paracingulum and a series of postcingular paraplates; although attributed to <u>Batiacasphaera</u> here, it may be an intermediate form with Lithodinia.

Occurrence Ranges throughout both sections, giving an overall range: L.Callovian (koenigi) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale). Specimens vary from

single occurrences in some samples to up to 19 in Callovian samples from Warlingham.

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from U.Bathonian to U.Callovian (Sarjeant, 1979). The range of this species is therefore extended to M.Oxfordian on the basis of the present study.

Genus BELODINIUM Cookson & Eisenack, 1960

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts cavate, elongate ellipsoidal with prominant apical horn and antapical pericoel; paratabulation indicated by parasutural folds or ridges; archaeopyle apical, type TA.

Type species Belodinium dysculum Cookson & Eisenack, 1960

Belodinium asaphum Drugg, 1978 (Pl.5, figs.1-5)

Diagnosis Drugg, 1978; p63; pl.2, figs.8-10

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size cavate cyst, elongate ellipsoidal in outline with small apical horn and antapical pericoel in the form of a bag-like extension of the periphragm beyond the endophragm. Paratabulation indicated by about seven ridge-like parasutural folds or ridges on the periphragm. Six precingular paraplates are suggested by the zigzag edges of the principle archaeopyle suture. Archaeopyle apical, type  $\overline{tA}$ . A paracingulum is present in the form of an interruption in the longitudinal ridges and located about midway along the cyst length. Both endophragm and periphragm are thin and smooth to faintly granulate.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 55-70 mu Overall width of cyst: 30-38 mu (8 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens identify with the description of Drugg (1978) very closely. <u>B.asaphum</u> differs from <u>B.dysculum</u> Cookson & Eisenack, 1960 and <u>B.obsoletum</u> Dodekova, 1975 by exhibiting a more crudely-developed paratabulation and by lacking an obvious horn.

<u>Occurrence</u> Warlingham: Br.669 to Br.115 (<u>scarburghense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). Occurs almost continuously from Br.669 to the top of the section, but in relatively low numbers. Only in Br.340 (<u>praecordatum</u>) do more than 5 specimens occur. Was not recorded from the Warboys section, although Drugg's specimens were recovered from the Warboy's Brick Pit.

Overall range: L.Oxfordian (scarburghense) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from the L.Oxfordian (<u>mariae</u> to lower <u>cordatum</u>)(Drugg, 1978). The range is therefore extended to the M.Oxfordian (<u>veretbrale</u>) on the basis of the present study.

> Belodinium cf. dysculum Cookson & Eisenack, 1960 (Pl.5, fig.6)

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cookson & Eisenack, 1960; p250; pl.37, fig. 14; pl.39, fig. 10.

<u>Description</u> A relatively large cavate cyst, ellipsoidal elongate in outline. Periphragm extends beyond the endophragm at both apical and antapical ends of the cyst to form pericoels. The periphragm is divided by several elongate ridges running the entire length of the cyst, being interrupted about midway along the cyst length indicating a paracingulum. These ridges extend into the apical and antapical regions to form teriminal protrusions in the form of wide, blunt horns. Indications of archaeopyle formation are lacking, but presumed apical.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 85 mu Overall width of cyst: 35 mu (1 specimen only)

<u>Remarks</u> A single specimen only was recovered and placed within <u>B.cf.dysculum</u>, in that it resembles the species <u>B.dysculum</u> by virtue of its size and the presence of both apical and antapical extensions of the periphragm.

Occurrence A single specimen from Warlingham: Br.313 L.Oxfordian (upper praecordatum).

Range Previously recorded from the Upper Jurassic.

#### Genus CALIGODINIUM Drugg, 1970

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximate, subspherical to ellipsoidal, with or without surrounding flocculent material, and without elevated features; archaeopyle apical and atypical, operculum composed of three paraplates.

Type species Caligodinium amiculum Drugg, 1970

Caligodinium halosa (Filatoff, 1975) Woollam, 1977 (Pl.5, figs.7-9)

1975 <u>Kalyptea halosa</u> Filatoff: 91

1977 Caligodinium halosa (Filatoff) Woollam: 56

Diagnosis Woollam, 1977; p56; pl.1, fig.4.

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size cyst consisting of a spherical inner body, constituting the autophragm, and an outer membranous kalyptra of diffuse material impregnated with sedimentary debris. Autophragm almost invariably folded, smooth or finely punctate. Archaeopyle apparently apical.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall diameter of inner body: 22-37 mu Overal diameter of cyst: 32-60 mu (6 specimens measured) **8 1**  <u>Remarks</u> The author aggrees with Woollam (1977) in the transfer of this species from <u>Kalyptea</u> Cookson & Eisenack, 1960 emend. Wiggins, 1975 to <u>Caligodinium</u> Drugg, 1970 on the basis of broad morphology. The emended description of <u>Kalyptea</u> by Wiggins (1975, p110) states that the "ambitus ....has distinct apical and antapical horns". <u>Caligodinium</u> possesses no such structures, but rather a rounded central body, therefore specimens here are well placed within this genus.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.158 to WB.18 (lower <u>athleta</u> to <u>praecordatum</u>) Warlingham: Br.1880 to Br.115 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>) Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>calloviense</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>) Specimens occur fairly commonly throughout both sections, but never reach more than 19 specimens per sample.

Range Previously described from the middle and upper Jurassic.

Genus CHLAMYDOPHORELLA Cookson & Eisenack, 1958

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximate, holocavate, subspherical to elongate ellipsoidal, with or without an apical protrusion or horn; autophragm with numerous nontabular processes of essentially uniform height and covered by an ectophragm; archaeopyle apical, type TA.

Type species Chlamydophorella nyei Cookson & Eisenack, 1958

Chlamydophorella sp.A (Pl.5, fig. 13)

<u>Description</u> Small to intermediate, spherical, proximate, holocavate cyst. Autophragm with large number of solid, bifurcating, nontabular processes of up to 5 mu in length. Cyst covered by a delicate membranous ectophragm. No archaeopyle structure apparent, although an apical archeopyle is suggested in one specimen.

Dimensions Overall diameter of inner body: 35-40 mu

Overall diameter of cyst: 42-48 mu (2 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens cosely resemble <u>C.nyei</u> Cookson & Eisenack, 1958, but differ in lacking any apical structure. <u>Chlamydophorella</u> sp.A differs from <u>Chlamydophorella</u> sp.B in having longer and fewer processes.

<u>Occurrence</u> Warlingham: Br.246 to Br.194 (<u>corsticardia</u>) Overall range: uppermost L.Oxfordian (<u>corsticardia</u>). No specimens were recovered from Warboys.



# Chlamydophorella sp.B (Pl.5, figs.10-12)

<u>Description</u> Small to intermediate, proximate, holocavate cyst, subspherical to ovoidal in outline. Autophragm with numerous nontabular, solid, bifurcating processes of equal height, covered by a delicate, membranous ectophragm. No archaeopyle structure apparent.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall diameter of cyst: 26-40 mu (5 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens identify with the generic description as set out by Cookson & Eisenack, 1958, p56: "Shell enclosed in a delicate membrane that is supported by closely arranged, slender, bifurcate spines of approximately equal length." They differ from other described species of <u>Chlamydophorella</u> and are therefore grouped here under <u>Chlamydophorella</u> sp.B.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.213 to WB.73 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>scarburghense</u>) Warlingham: Br.1833 to Br.246 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>corsticardia</u>)

They are particularly abundant in the Callovian of both sections, and form more than 10% of the microplankton in the Middle Callovian of Warboys.

Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>calloviense</u>) to uppermost Lower Oxfordian (<u>corsticardia</u>).

Genus <u>CHYTROEISPHAERIDIA</u> (Sarjeant, 1962a) Downie, Evitt and Sarjeant, 1963. emend. Davey, 1979

1958 Leiosphaeridia Eisenack

1976 Tapeinosphaeridium Ioannides et.al: 461

Diagnosis Cysts subspherical and without ridges, septa, spines or processes; autophragm smooth, scabrate or punctate; archaeopyle precingular type P (?3" only); other indications of paratab-

ulation lacking.

Type species Chytroeisphaeridia chytroeides (Sarjeant, 1962a) Downie & Sarjeant, 1964.

Chytroeisphaeridia chytroeides (Sarjeant, 1962a) Downie & (Pl.5, figs 14-23) Sarjeant, 1964.

1962aLeiosphaeridia (Chytroeisphaeridia) chytroeidesSarjeant: 4931964Chytroeisphaeridia chytroeides(Sarjeant) Downie & Sarjeant: 103DiagnosisSarjeant, 1962a; p493; pl.10,figs.13,16; text-figs.11,12.DescriptionSmall to intermediate size , subspherical cyst without any<br/>form of surface ornamentation. Autophragm smooth and of moderate thick<br/>83

ness (0.5 to 1mu). A simple precingular archaeopyle is typically developed formed by the loss of one paraplate (presumably 3"); the operculum often occurs within the cyst.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall diameter of cyst: 35-62 mu (13 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens encountered in this study identify cosely with the original description by Sarjeant (1962a). In U.Callovian samples of Warlingham a number of specimens develop an apical structure above the archaeopyle. Varying degrees of development of this structure can be seen within the specimens and may illustrate a morphological continuum between <u>C.chytroeides</u> (with no apicular structure) and <u>C.cerastes</u> Davey, 1979 (with a well-developed apical structure). These specimens are illustrated in plate 5, figs.17-23.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.18 (kamptus to praecordatum).

Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.115 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>) Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>kamptus</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>). Specimens from both sections are particularly numerous, and in sample WB.213 (Warboys) 63 specimens were encounted forming 31.5% of the microplankton assemblage.

Range Aalenian to Volgian (Davey, 1979)

Chytroeisphaeridia cerastes Davey, 1979 (Pl.6, figs.1,2)

Diagnosis Davey, 1979; p212; pl.2, figs.8,9.

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large ovoidal cyst, with a rounded hollow apical horn which merges gradually into the main part of the cyst. Autophragm only, typically slightly folded and smooth. Archaeopyle simple precingular (presumably formed by the loss of paraplate 3").

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 81-82 mu Overall width of cyst: 45-50 mu (2 specimens only)

<u>Remarks</u> Two specimens only were recovered. They identify closely with those described by Davey (1979). It is possible that larger forms of <u>C.chytroeides</u> with a more well-developed apical structure could be included here. Preservation of both specimens particularly good, with the operculum preserved inside the cyst.

<u>Occurrence</u> Warlingham: Br.246 (<u>corsticardia</u>) - uppermost L.Oxfordian. Not found in Warboys section.

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from the L.Oxfordian (<u>cordatum</u>) only (Davey, 1979). As specimens here also fall within this range, <u>C.cerastes</u> may be a stratigraphically significant species.

# Chytroeisphaeridia mantellii Gitmez & Sarjeant, 1972 (Pl.4, fig.12; Pl.6, figs.3-8)

<u>Diagnosis</u> Gitmez & Sarjeant, 1972; p186; pl.1,figs.3,4; pl.12,fig.3. <u>Description</u> Intermediate subspherical to elongate cyst. Autophragm is coarsely granular and often shows a degree of folding. Archaeopyle precingular, simple; operculum often attached.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 40-60 mu. Overall width of cyst: 35-60 mu. (6 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>C.mantellii</u> differs from other described species of <u>Chytroeisphaeridia</u> in having a thick autophragm. It is distinguished from <u>Batiacasphaera dictydia</u> (Sarjeant, 1972) Davey, 1979 in its size, being overall relatively larger and possessing a more ragged principle archaeopyle suture. The archaeopyle in <u>C.mantellii</u> is also precingular, which distinguishes it from <u>B.dictydia</u>.

Occurrence

Warboys: 2 specimens only from WB.33 (scarburghense).

Warlingham: Br.1813 to Br.554 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>scarburghense</u>). A relatively common species in the Callovian with only sporadic occurrences in the L.Oxfordian of Warlingham.

Overall range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to L.Oxfordian (scarburghense).

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from the Kimmeridgian only. The range of this species is therefore extended to the L.Callovian (<u>calloviense</u>) on the basis of this study.

Genus CLEISTOSPHAERIDIUM Davey et.al., 1966

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts skolochorate, body subspherical, bearing numerous nontabular processes or spines of similar size and shape that are normally closed distally; indications of paratabulation other than archaeopyle characteristically lacking; archaeopyle apical, type tA.

Type species Cleistosphaeridium diverispinosum Davey et.al., 1966

Cleistosphaeridium ehrenbergii (Deflandre, 1947b) Davey et.al, (Pl.6, figs.9-11) 1969

1938	Hystrichosphaeridium cf. hirsutum (Ehrenberg) Deflandre: 191	
1947Ъ	Hystrichosphaeridium ehrenbergi Deflandre	
1961a	Baltisphaeridium ehrenbergi (Deflandre) Sarjeant: 103	
1969	Cleistosphaeridium ehrenbergi (Deflandre) Davey et.al: 16	

Diagnosis Gitmez, 1970; p284; pl.4, fig.7; text-fig-2a

<u>Description</u> Small to intermediate, skolochorate cyst, spherical to globular in outline and bearing simple, solid, nontabular processes which are closed distally. Processes are large in number (30-44) and are approximately one half of the shell diameter in length. Surface of cyst smooth. Archaeopyle apical, type  $\overline{tA}$ .

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall diameter of inner body: 26-35 mu Overall length of processes: 11-20 mu

<u>Remarks</u> Although regarded as a problematical species by Stover & Evitt(1978), specimens from both localities identify with previous descriptions and illustrations. <u>C.ehrenbergii</u> is distinguished from other known species in its possession of simple, closed processes. It differs from <u>C.lumectum</u> (Sarjeant, 1960a) Davey et.al., 1969 and <u>C.tribuliferum</u> (Sarjeant,1962a)Davey et.al., 1969 in that all of the processes are pointed and closed distally, and from <u>C.polytrichum</u> (Valensi, 1947) Davey et.al., 1969 in possessing relatively fewer processes.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.38 (<u>kamptus</u> to <u>scarburghense</u>). Warlingham: Br.1605 to Br.115 (<u>grossouvrei</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>kamptus</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertibrale</u>).

Range Previously described from Callovian to Kimmerdigian.

Cleistosphaeridium lumectum (Sarjeant, 1960a) Davey et.al., (Pl.6, figs.12,13)

1960aBaltisphaeridium lumectumSarjeant: 1391969Cleistosphaeridium lumectum (Sarjeant) Davey et.al: 16

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1960a; p139; pl.6, fig.1; text-fig.2

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size skolochorate cyst, with a smooth spherical inner body from which long, slender processes arise. The length of processes are between one half and three quarters the diameter of the inner body. The processes are nontabular, simple, bifurcate or trifurcate and often curved to some degree; they number between 35 and 40. Archaeopyle apical, type  $\overline{tA}$ .

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall diameter of inner body: 32-45 mu Overall length of processes: 16-20 mu. (5 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>C.lumectum</u> is differentiated from other species in having processes which are variable distally, rather than being consistently of one type.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.223 to WB-128 (<u>calloviense</u> to middle <u>athleta</u>). two isolated occurrences only.

Warlingham: Br.976 to Br.170 (<u>athleta/lamberti</u> to <u>cordatum</u>). Never occurs more abundantly than 9 specimens per sample; slightly more common in upper <u>mariae</u>.

Overall Range: L.Callovian (<u>calloviense</u>) to uppermost lower Oxfordian (cordatum).

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from the Oxfordian (Sarjeant, 1979). The known range of this species is therefore extended to the L.Callovian (calloviense) on the basis of the present study.

> Cleistosphaeridium polytrichum (Valensi, 1947) Davey et.al., (Pl.6, figs.14-17; Pl.7, fig.1)

1947Hystrichosphaeridium polytrichum Valensi: 8181959Baltisphaeridium polytrichum (Valensi) Sarjeant: 3391969Cleistosphaeridium polytrichum (Valensi) Davey et.al: 16

Diagnosis Valensi, 1947; p818; text-fig.4

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size, skolochorate cyst, subspherical to ellipsoidal in outline with a dense covering of nontabular processes. Processes are simple and closed distally, about one half of the diameter of the inner body in length. Archaeopyle apical, type tA.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall diameter of inner body: 30-40 mu Overall length of processes: 6-15 mu (15 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> This species of <u>Cleistosphaeridium</u> is distinguished from <u>C.ehrenbergii</u> (Deflandre, 1947b) Davey et.al., 1969 in possessing a greater

number of processes. All processes are closed distally and simple in form, and thus this species can be readily distinguished from <u>C.lumectum</u> (Sarjeant, 1960a) Davey et.al., 1969 and <u>C.tribuliferum</u> (Sarjeant, 1962a) Davey et.al., 1969.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.18 (kamptus to praecordatum). Warlingham: Br.1880 to Br.115 (calloviense to vertebrale). Occurs irregularly and sporadic in the Callovian, but more continuously in the L.Oxfordian of both localities.

Range Upper Bathonian to Upper Kimmeridgian (Sarjeant, 1979).



Cleistosphaeridium tribuliferum (Sarjeant, 1962a) Davey et.al., (Pl.7, figs.2-4) 1969

1962aBaltisphaeridium tribuliferumSarjeant: 4871969Cleistosphaeridium tribuliferum (Sarjeant) Davey et.al: 16

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1962a; p487; pl.70, fig.4; text-fig.6c-7

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size skolochorate cyst, with a spherical to ovoidal, smooth central body, and about 40 to 50 nontabular, slender processes which are greater than half the diameter of the central body in length. The processes are variably furcate distally, having 2-4 branches of varying length and attitude. Archaeopyle apical, type TA.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall diameter of central body: 30-40 mu Overall length of processes: 15-28 mu (9 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> This species is distinguished from all other known species of <u>Cleistosphaeridium</u> by the nature of the distal furcation of the processes.

<u>Occurrence</u> Warboys: WB.228 to WB.18 (<u>kamptus</u> to <u>praecordatum</u>). Sporadic occurrences in the Callovian, but more consistent and common in the L.Oxfordian although never exceeds 9 specimens per sample.

Warlingham: Br.1880 to Br.115 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). Fairly consistent occurrence in low numbers.

Overall range: L.Callovian (kamptus) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Range Previously recorded from Bathonian to Kimmerdigian.

#### Genus COMPOSITOSPHAERIDIUM Dodekova, 1974

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts skolochorate, body subspherical with approximately 24 intratabular processes; larger processes polytabular; most processes may be joined proximally by ridges or septa and some may be connected distally by trabeculae; paratabulation gonyau-

lacacean, indicated by intratabular processes; archaeopyle apical, type  $\overline{tA}$ .

Type species Compositosphaeridium costatum (Davey & Williams 1966) Dodekova, 1974

> Compositosphaeridium costatum (Davey & Williams, 1966) (Pl.7, figs.5-7) Dodekova, 1974 (monotypic)

Hystrichosphaeridium salpingophorum	
Hystrichosphaeridium costatum Dave	y & Williams: 62
Hystrichosphaeridium salpingophorum	n (Deflandre) Dodekova: 14
Cordosphaeridium costatum (Davey 8	Williams) Gorka: 489
Compositosphaeridium costatum (Dav	vey & Williams) Dodekova: 26

#### Diagnosis Davey & Williams, 1966; p62; pl.10, fig.4

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size, skolochorate cyst. Central body subspherical with approximately 24 intratabular processes giving the paratabulation formula: ?4', 6", 6c, 5"', 1p, 1"", 1-?s. Processes are fibrous, tubiform, having subquadrate distal openings, which are denticulate with a small number of recurved prolongations; they are joined proximally by ridges or septa which extend the length of the processes, and also extend onto the central body forming a mesh-like structure. Archaeopyle apical, type  $\overline{tA}$ ; operculum free.

Dimensions Overall diameter of central body: 43-51 mu Overall length of processes: 14-23 mu (6 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> The broad, ribbed processes are very distinctive, and characterise <u>C.costatum</u>.

<u>Occurrence</u> Warboys: WB.211 to WB.18 (<u>medea</u> to <u>praecordatum</u>). Occurs in relatively low numbers, excepting WB.158 (lower <u>athleta</u>) where 12 individuals were recovered.

Warlingham: Br.1354 to Br.115 (base of <u>athleta</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). Occurs commonly in the U.Callovian and abundantly in uppermost lower to middle Oxfordian, where 26 and 52 individuals were recorded from Br.313 (upper <u>praecordatum</u>) and Br.292 (<u>bulowskii</u>) respectively (13 and 26% of the total microplankton assemblages).

Range Previously recorded from Upper Bathonian to Kimmeridgian.

Genus <u>CRIBROPERIDINIUM</u> Neale & Sarjeant, 1962 emend. Davey, 1969 <u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximate, subspherical to ellipsoidal, usually with a prominant apical horn; paratabulation gonyaulacacean, indicated by parasutural ridges, septa, or rows of closely spaced projections; accessory ridges or septa present on most paraplates;

archaeopyle precingular, type P.

Type species Cribroperidinium sepimentum Neale & Sarjeant, 1962

Cribroperidinium granuligerum (Klement, 1960) Stover & Evitt, (Pl.7, figs.8-11)

1960	Gonyaulax granuligera Klement: 41
1966a	Gonyaulacysta granuligera (Klement) Sarjeant: 131
1969	Gonyaulacysta granuligera (Klement) Sarjeant: 10
1978	Cribroperidinium granuligerum (Klement) Stover & Evitt: 150

Diagnosis Klement, 1960; p41; pl.5, figs.4,5

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size, proximate cyst, subspherical in outline with an apical horn. Paratabulation indicated by low parasutural features to give the gonyaulacacean formula: 4',6", 6c, 6"', ?1p, 1"". The parasutural features are closely spaced spinules which are short, solid and distally accute or blunt. Paracingulum indicated by parallel transverse ridges with spinules. Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only); operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 38-60 mu Overall width of cyst: 35-55 mu (6 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Although broadly similar in morphology to <u>C.granulatum</u> (Klement, 1960) Stover & Evitt, 1978, <u>C.granuligerum</u> can be distinguished by the short parasutural spinules. Specimens encountered here are somewhat smaller than those of both Klement (1960) and Gitmez (1970). As previous records of <u>C.granuligerum</u> are from the Kimmerdigian only, these Callovian/Oxfordian forms may be ancestral.

Occurrence Warboys: a single specimen from WB.211 (medea).

Warlingham: Br.313 to Br.115 (upper praecordatum to vertebrale).

Overall range: M.Callovian (medea) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from the Kimmeridgian only (Sarjeant, 1979). The presence of this species here therefore extends the known range to M.Callovian (medea) to Kimmeridgian on the basis of this study.

Genus	CTENIDODINIUM Deflandre, 1938 emend. Gocht, 1970
Synonyms	Brotzenia Horowitz, 1975 Dichadogonyaulax Sarjeant, 1966b

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximochorate; body subspherical to ellipsoidal; paratabulation gonyaulacacean, indicated by parasutural rows of

isolated or proximally-linked projections or by parasutural ridges or septa, generally with denticulate to spinate crests; epicystal archaeopyle, type TATP.

Type species Ctenidodinium ornatum (Eisenack, 1935) Deflandre, 1938

Ctenidodinium ornatum (Eisenack, 1935) Deflandre, 1938 (Pl.8, figs.5-8)

1935	Lithodinia jurassica var. ornata Eisenack: 176
1938	Ctenidodinium ornatum (Eisenack) Deflandre: 181
1960	Gonyaulax ornata (Eisenack) Klement: 30
1966b	Ctenidodinium ornatum (Eisenack) Sarjeant: 154

#### Gonyaulacysta ornata (Eisenack) Pocock: 87 1972 Ctenidodinium orntaum (Eisenack) Sarjeant: 55 1974b

Diagnosis Deflandre, 1938; p181; pl.9, figs. 1-7

Intermediate to large proximochorate cyst, polygonal in Description outline. Paratabulation indicated by parasutural rows of low crests, surmounted by long spines which are generally simple and usually longer on the hypocyst than epicyst. Paratabulation formula: 4', 6", 6"', 1"" but difficult to determine due to breakage. Archaeopyle epicystal, type tAtP; operculum free to attached.

Dimensions Overall length of cyst: 48-88 mu Overall width of cyst:45-101 mu (12 specimens measured)

Appears to be a very variable species and included here are Remarks those species with affinities to C.tenellum Deflandre, 1938.

Warboys: WB.228 to WB.18 (kamptus to praecordatum), in **Occurrence** fairly low numbers except for lower and middle Callovian samples.

Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.140 (calloviense to vertebrale). Overall range: L.Callovian (kamptus) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Previously described from Bathonian to Oxfordian. Range

> Ctenidodinium continuum Gocht, 1970 (Pl.8, figs.1-4)

Gocht, 1970; p141; pl.26,fig.3; pl.27,fig.5; pl.29,figs.1,2; Diagnosis pl.32,figs.1-5; pl.33,fig.8

Intermediate to large, proximochorate cyst, subspherical to Description polygonal in outline. Paratabulation indicated by parasutural rows of proximally-linked, short, simple spines, forming crests. Paratabulation formula: 4',6",6"',4', but difficult to determine due to breakage. Archeopyle epicystal, type TATP; operculum free to attached.

Overall length of cyst: 50-96 mu Dimensions Overal width of cyst: 50-96 mu (8 specimens measured)

Specimens identify closely with those of Gocht(1970). Remarks Preservation is generally good, although complete specimens are rare.

Warboys: WB.228 to WB.78 (kamptus to lowest scarburghense). 0ccurrence Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.820 (calloviense to lamberti/athleta) (a single specimen was recovered from Br.560 - scarburghense). Overall range: Callovian only, except for one isolated occurrence in the

scarburghense subzone of each locality. The disappearance of <u>C.continuum</u> in each of the sections appears to mark the Callovian/Oxfordian boundary.

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from Bathonian (Sarjeant, 1979) to Callovian and Oxfordian (Davey & Riley, 1978).

> Ctenidodinium pachydermum (Deflandre, 1938) Gocht, 1970 (Pl.9, figs.1-6)

1938	Gonyaulax pachyderma Deflandre: 176
1969	Gonyaulacysta pachyderma (Deflandre) Sarjeant: 10
1970	Ctenidodinium pachydermum (Deflandre) Gocht: 142

Diagnosis Deflandre, 1938; p176; pl.7, figs. 6-10; text-figs. 7-10

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large proximate cyst, subspherical to subpentagonal in outline with a short but prominant apical horn. Paratabulation indicated by parasutural rows of short, finely-denticulate, simple spines. Paratabulation formula: 4', 6", 6"', 4"", but difficult to determine due to cyst breakage, and heavy granular surface ornamentation. Archaeopyle epicystal, type TATP; operculum free to attached.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 93-103 mu Overall width of cyst: 86-101 mu (6 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens identify closely with the original description and illustrations of Deflandre (1938). Whole specimens particularly rare due to loss of epicyst during archeopyle formation.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.18 (kamptus to praecordatum).

Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.170 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>cordatum</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (kamptus) to uppermost L.Oxfordian (<u>cordatum</u>).

<u>Range</u> Previously described from Oxfordian to L.Kimmeridgian (Sarjeant, 1979). The presence of <u>C.pachydermum</u> in Callovian samples here therefore extends the known range.

Ctenidodinium sp.A (Pl.9, fig.7)

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size proximate cyst, subspherical in outline, without apical or antapical structures. Paratabulation indicated by parasutural ridges bearing short, isolated, simple spines to give the formula: 4', 6", 6"', 1p, 1"", which is clearly discernable. Surface of the cyst is fairly coarsely granular. Archaeopyle epicystal, type TATP; operculum attached.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 60 mu Overall width of cyst: 55 mu (1 specimen only)

<u>Remarks</u> A single but well-preserved specimen, clearly belonging to the genus <u>Ctenidodinium</u>.

Occurrence A single specimen from Warlingham: Br. 340 (praecordatum).

Genus DINOPTERYGIUM Deflandre, 1935 emend. Stover & Evitt, 1978

<u>Synonyms</u> <u>Oodnadattia</u> Eisenack & Cookson, 1960 <u>Toolongia</u> Cookson & Eisenack, 1960

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximochorate, subspherical to subpolygonal; outline circular, or nearly so, in apical-antapical view; paratabulation gonyaulacacean, indicated by parasutural septa and by intratabular structures between autophragm and ectophragm; archaeopyle epicystal, type TATP.

Type species Dinopterygium cladoides Deflandre, 1935

Dinopterygium absidatum Drugg, 1978 (Pl.10, figs.1-6)

Diagnosis Drugg, 1978; p66; pl.4, figs.7-9

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size, proximochorate cyst, more-or-less circular in outline with a parasulcal depression. Hypocyst only, epicyst missing due to archaeopyle formation. Hypocyst cone-shaped bearing antapical extensions formed from the autophragm and flattened ventrally, sloping towards the antapex. Paracingulum prominant and marked by flanges; outline of epicystal paracingular flange is angular and outer edges slightly ragged; hypocystal flange is more rounded in outline, the edges are denticulate. Autophragm of hypocystal paracingular flange is produced into five arch-like openings which are convex distally forming funnels.

Paratabulation present but obscure, apparently ?4', 6'', Xc, 6''', ?1p, 1'''. Archaeopyle epicystal, type  $\overline{TATP}$ ; operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall cyst diameter: 54-85 mu (17 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> This species is very distinctive on account of its archlike openings in the autophragm of the hypocystal paracingular flange. Preservation is generally good.

Occurrence Warboys: a single specimen from WB.88 (<u>lamberti</u>). Warlingham: Br.727 to Br.246 (scarburghense to corsticardia).

Overall range: L.Oxfordian (<u>scarburghense</u>) to uppermost lower Oxfordian (<u>corsticardia</u>).

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from Callovian (<u>athleta</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>mariae</u>) (Drugg, 1978). The upper range of this species is therefore extended to uppermost lower Oxfordian (<u>corsticardia</u>) on the basis of this study.

Genus	ELLIPSOIDICTYUM	Klement,	1960

Synonym Dictyopryxidia Eisenack, 1961

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximochorate, subspherical to elongate ellipsoidal; autophragm with curved to straight interconnected septa forming an irregular reticulum; lumina of various shapes and sizes; some septa may be parasutural; archaeopyle apical, probably type tA.

Type species Ellipsoidictyum cinctum Klement, 1960

Ellipsoidictyum cinctum Klement, 1960 (Pl.10, figs.7-9)

1960	Ellipsoidictyum cinctum	Klement: 78
1960	Dictyopryxidia areolata	Cookson & Eisenack: 255
1976a	Ellipsoidictyum cinctum	Sarjeant: 24

<u>Diagnosis</u> Klement, 1960; p78; pl.6, figs.15, 16; pl.7, figs.1,2; text-figs. 36-37.

<u>Description</u> Small to intermediate proximochorate cyst, subspherical to elongate-ellipsoidal in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is covered with septa in the form of a relatively coarse reticulate mesh-work. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle and distinct paracingulum only, although some septa are almost certainly parasutural. Parasulcus indicated by an area without septa. Archaeopyle apical, type  $\overline{tA}$ ; operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 40-65 mu Overall width of cyst: 42-50 mu (5 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>E.cinctum</u> is differentiated from <u>E.reticulatum</u> (Valensi, 1953) Lentin & Williams, 1977 by its larger reticulate pattern and larger overall size. The paracingulum is also more distinct in the former.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.83 (kamptus to lamberti) Warlingham: Br.1880 to Br.246 (calloviense to corsticardia). Overall range: L.Callovian (kamptus) to L.Oxfordian (corsticardia).

Previously described from Bathonian to Kimmeridgian.

# Ellipsoidictyum cf.gochtii Fensome, 1979 (Pl.10, figs.14-16)

1970Gen. et sp. indet. Gocht: 1521979Ellipsoidictyum gochtiiFensome: 20

Range

Diagnosis Fensome, 1979; p20; pl.2, figs. 8, 9, 11, 12; text-fig. 8

<u>Description</u> Small to intermediate proximochorate cyst, ovoidal to ellipsoidal in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only ornamented by a fine honeycomb-like pattern of pits and regularly distributed, numerous processes which arise from a discontinuous network of low crests. The processes are buccinate, capitate, or either symmetrically or assymmetrically bifurcate distally, solid and approximately 5mu in length. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only. Archaeopyle apical, type tA; operculum free to attached. Occasionally an indistinct paracingulum is seen.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 40-50 mu Overall width of cyst: 31.5-42 mu (4 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens encountered here identify closely with those described by Fensome (1979), but differ in lacking a well-defined paracingulum and are therefore placed here within <u>E.cf.gochtii</u>. However it is likely that they are the same species.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.138 to WB.23 (middle <u>athleta</u> to <u>praecordatum</u>). Warlingham: Br.1880 to Br.115 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>) Overall occrrence: L.Callovian (calloviense) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Range ?Bathonian to M.Callovian (Fensome, 1979)

Ellipsoidictyum reticulatum (Valensi, 1953) Lentin & Williams, (Pl.10, figs.10-13) 1977

1953	Palaeoperidinium reticulatum Valensi: 28
1968	Dictyopryxis reticulata (Valensi) Sarjeant: 230
1973	Dictyopryxidia reticulata (Valensi) Lentin & Williams: 47
1977	Ellipsoidictyum reticulatum (Valensi) Lentin & Williams: 56

<u>Diagnosis</u> Valensi, 1953; p28; pl.2, figs.4, 5, 14, 19

<u>Description</u> Small to intermediate proximochorate cyst, rounded to ovoidal in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only, decorated with septa in the form of a coarse reticulate mesh-work, forming polygonal fields on **95**  the cyst surface. From the nodes of the septa arise short, solid spines which are slightly smaller at their base and bifurcate distally to form 2 to 4 filaments; these may anastomise with neighbouring spines to form a fine mesh-work covering the entire cyst, but is often not preserved. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle and paracingulum only. Archaeopyle apical, type  $\overline{tA}$ ; operculum usually free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 35-55 mu Overall width of cyst: 38-55 mu (6 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>E.reticulatum</u> differs from <u>E.cinctum</u> Klement, 1960 in posessing small spines at the nodes of the reticulae; and from <u>E.gochtii</u> Fensome, 1979 in the posession of a reticulate mesh-work and generally smaller and more variable spines. Specimens identify closely with those described by Valensi (1953), but preservation is such that the outer mesh-work formed by the anastomosing filaments is rarely ever seen.

<u>Occurrence</u> Warboys: WB.212 to WB.48 (<u>enodatum</u> to <u>scarburghense</u>); abundant in WB.212 (<u>enodatum</u>) where 36 individuals were encountered, but rare elsewhere.

Warlingham: Br.1813 to Br.292 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>bulowskii</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>calloviense</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>bulowskii</u>).

<u>Range</u> Previously described from Bajocian to Bathonian (Sarjeant, 1979). The range is therefore extended to L.Oxfordian (<u>bulowskii</u>) on the basis of the present study.

Genus <u>GONYAULACYSTA</u> Deflandre, 1964 emend Stover & Evitt, 1978 <u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts typically bicavate; endocyst subspherical to ellipsoidal; pericyst subpolygonal and generally elongate longitudinally, with a short to long apical horn. Paratabulation gonyaulacacean, indicated by parasutural septa with denticulate to spin-

ulate crests; archaeopyle precingular, type P.

Type species Gonyaulacysta jurassica (Deflandre, 1938) Norris & Sarjeant, 1965

> Gonyaulacysta jurassica (Deflandre, 1938) Norris & Sarjeant, (Pl.11, figs.1-6, 14) 1965

1938	Gonyaulax jurassica Defl	landre: 168
1964	Gonyaulacysta jurassica	(Deflandre) Deflandre: 5
1965	Gonyaulacysta jurassica	(Deflandre) Norris & Sarjeant: 65

<u>Diagnosis</u> Deflandre, 1938; p168; pl.6, figs.2-5; text-figs.1,2

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size proximate cyst, elongate to subpolygonal in outline with a prominant apical horn and truncate antapically. Cyst typically bicavate, but development of epipericoel and hypopericoel may be reduced or lacking. Parasutural septa present, forming characteristic denticulate to spinose crests. Paratabulation indicated by parasutural features to give the gonyaulacacean formula: 4', 1a, 6", 6c, 6"', 1p, 1"". Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only); operculum free. Paracingulum indicated by 6 subrectangular paraplates, strongly laevorotatory. Parasulcus clearly defined, straight to S-shaped.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 45-88 mu Overall width of cyst: 35-67 mu (16 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> A very variable, although distinctive species. Specimens encountered in both sections, whilst possessing the essential features of the species, exhibit a great variation in size, length of apical horn, nature of parasutural crests etc.

<u>Occurrence</u> Occurs commonly throughout both sections. Very common in Callovian samples from Warboys, where 20+ were counted in many samples. This pattern of occurrence is reflected in the Warlingham sequence, although the greatest number were encountered in uppermost lower Oxfordian (<u>cordatum</u>) and M.Oxfordian (<u>plicatilis</u>).

Overall range: L.Callovian (kamptus) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Range Previously described from U.Bathonian to L.Portlandian (Davey & Riley, 1978).

Gonyaulacysta jurassica (Deflandre, 1938) Norris & Sarjeant,1965 sub.sp. <u>longicornis</u> (Deflandre, 1938) Lentin & Williams, 1973 (Pl.11, figs.7-10)

1938Gonyaulax jurassicaDeflandre var.longicornisDeflandre:1711970Gonyaulacysta jurassicavar.longicornis(Deflandre)Gitmez: 260

1970 Gonyaulacysta jurassica var. longicornis (Deflandre) Gitmez: 260 1973 Gonyaulacysta jurassica (Deflandre) Norris & Sarjeant, 1965 sub.sp. longicornis (Deflandre) Lentin & Williams: 62

Diagnosis Deflandre, 1938; p171; pl.6, fig.6

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large proximate cyst, elongate in outline with an elongated apical horn, making the epicyst at least three times longer than the hypocyst. Cyst markedly bicavate with a well-developed epipericoel extending into the apical horn. Paratabulation indicated by parasutural septa in the form of markedly denticulate crests to give the gonyaulacacean formula: 4', 6", 6c, 5-6"', 1"". Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only); operculum free. Paracingulum strongly laevorotatory.

Parasulcus straight to S-shaped.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 75-90 mu Overall width of cyst: 43-65 mu (6 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> This subspecies is distinguished from <u>G.jurassica</u> s.s. by the length of the apical horn and well-developed epipericoel. There does however, appear to be specimens which are intermediate in form between the two and differentiation is not always obvious.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.223 to WB.18 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>praecordatum</u>). Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.115 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>).

Overall occurrence: L.Callovian (calloviense) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Range Previously recorded from the Upper Jurassic (Gitmez, 1970).

#### Genus HESLERTONIA Sarjeant, 1966a

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximochorate; body subspherical; paratabulation gonyaulacacean, indicated by high parasutural septa, height of which is greater than one-fourth main body diameter; archaeopyle precingular, type P.

Type species Heslertonia heslertonensis (Neale & Sarjeant, 1962) Sarjeant, 1966a

> Heslertonia teichophera (Sarjeant, 1961a) Sarjeant, 1976b (Pl.11,figs.11-13; Pl.12,figs.1,2)

1961aCymatiosphaera teichopheraSarjeant: 1071976bHeslertonia teichophera(Sarjeant) Sarjeant: 8

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1976b; p8; pl.1, figs1, 4; pl.6, fig.3; text-fig.3

<u>Description</u> Small to intermediate size proximochorate cyst, subspherical in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only with very high parasutural crests or septa. Paratabulation indicated by parasutural features,

formula: 4', 1a, 6", 6c, 6"', 1p, 1"". Crests are finely denticulate distally and striate. Height of crests between one-quarter and one-third diameter of the central body. Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only); operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall diameter of cyst: 37-45 mu (8 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>H.teichophera</u> differs from other species in the character and relative proportions of the crests, shape and relative position of other plate areas. Specimens are well preserved and usually entire.

OccurrenceWarboys: WB.223 to WB.68 (calloviense to scarburghense).Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.115 (calloviense to vertebrale).Overall range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).RangePreviously recorded from U.Callovian (athleta) to L.Oxfordian

(<u>cordatum</u>). The range is therefore extended to: L.Callovian (<u>calloviense</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>), on the basis of this study.

Genus	HYSTRICHODINIUM	Deflandre,	1935	emend	Clarke	&	Verdier,	1967

Synonym Heliodinium Alberti, 1961 emend. Sarjeant, 1966a.

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts skolochorate; body subspherical to polyhedral, bearing numerous parasutural spines; paratabulation indicated by archeopyle and clearly to vaguely by alignment of spines; archeopyle precingular, type P.

Type species Hystrichodinium pulchrum Deflandre, 1935

Hystrichodinium pulchrum Deflandre, 1935 (Pl.12, figs.3-6)

Diagnosis Deflandre, 1935; p229; pl.5, fig.1; text-fig.9-11

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size, subspherical to polyhedral, skolochorate cyst. Autophragm only, bearing numerous parasutural hollow spines which are simple, blade-like, straight or sinuous and acuminate distally. Areas between spines typically bear circular markings in the form of pores or sharply-defined tuberculae. Paratabulation indicated by precingular archeopyle, type P (3" only) and an apparent gonyaulacacean formula: 4', 6", 6c, 6"', 1p, 1"", which is rarely determinable. Paracingulum usually clearly indicated by low parasutural ridges.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall cyst diameter: 27-39 mu Overall length of spines: 10-20 mu (4 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens identify very closely with those described by Deflandre (1935) and subsequent authors, in their morphology, but tend to be somewhat smaller. Specimens encountered here clearly belong to <u>H.pulchrum</u>.

OccurrenceWarboys: WB.158 to WB.18 (lower athleta to praecordatum).<br/>Warlingham: Br.1880 to Br.140 (calloviense to vertebrale).Overall range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).RangePreviously recorded from Kimmeridgian to Senonian. The<br/>presence of H.pulchrum here extends the known range to L.Callovian<br/>(calloviense).99

#### Genus HYSTRICHOGONYAULAX Sarjeant, 1969

Cysts proximochorate; body subspherical to polyhedral, with Diagnosis or without an apical horn; paratabulation gonyaulacacean, indicated by parasutural ridges surmounted by normally isolated spines; surface between parasutural ridges smooth or faintly ornamented; archaeopyle precingular, type P.

Type species Hystrichogonyaulax cornigera (Valensi, 1953) Sarjeant, 1969

Hystrichogonyaulax cladophora (Deflandre, 1938) Stover & Evitt, 1978 (Pl.12, figs.7-9)

1938	Gonyaulax cladophora Deflandre: 173
1967	Gonyaulacysta cladophora (Deflandre) Dodekova: 17
1969	Gonyaulacysta cladophora (Deflandre) Sarjeant: 9
1978	Hystrichogonyaulax cladophora (Deflandre) Stover & Evitt:162

Diagnosis Deflandre, 1938; p173; pl.7, figs.1-5; text-figs.5,6

Description Intermediate to large proximochorate cyst, subspherical to polyhedral in outline, with an apical horn. Autophragm only with low parasutural ridges giving rise to rows of short, isolated spines, which may be simple or bifurcate distally. Autophragm between parasutural features finely ornamented. Paratabulation indicated by parasutural features giving the gonyaulacacean formula: 4', 1a, 6", 6"', 1p, 1"". Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only); operculum free.

Overall length of cyst: 88-113 mu Dimensions Overall width of cyst: 81-114 mu (12 specimens measured)

There is a fairly wide variation in shape, but general Remarks morphology is distinctive. Specimens encountered are generally slightly larger than those described by Deflandre (1938). Occasionally specimens exhibit parasutural spines which anastomise at various points in their length (Pl.12, fig.7). Preservation is generally good.

Warboys: WB.223 to WB.18 (calloviense to praecordatum). Occurrence Warlingham: Br.1880 to Br. 115 (calloviense to vertebrale). Overall range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Bathonian to Kimmeridgian (Sarjeant, 1979) Range

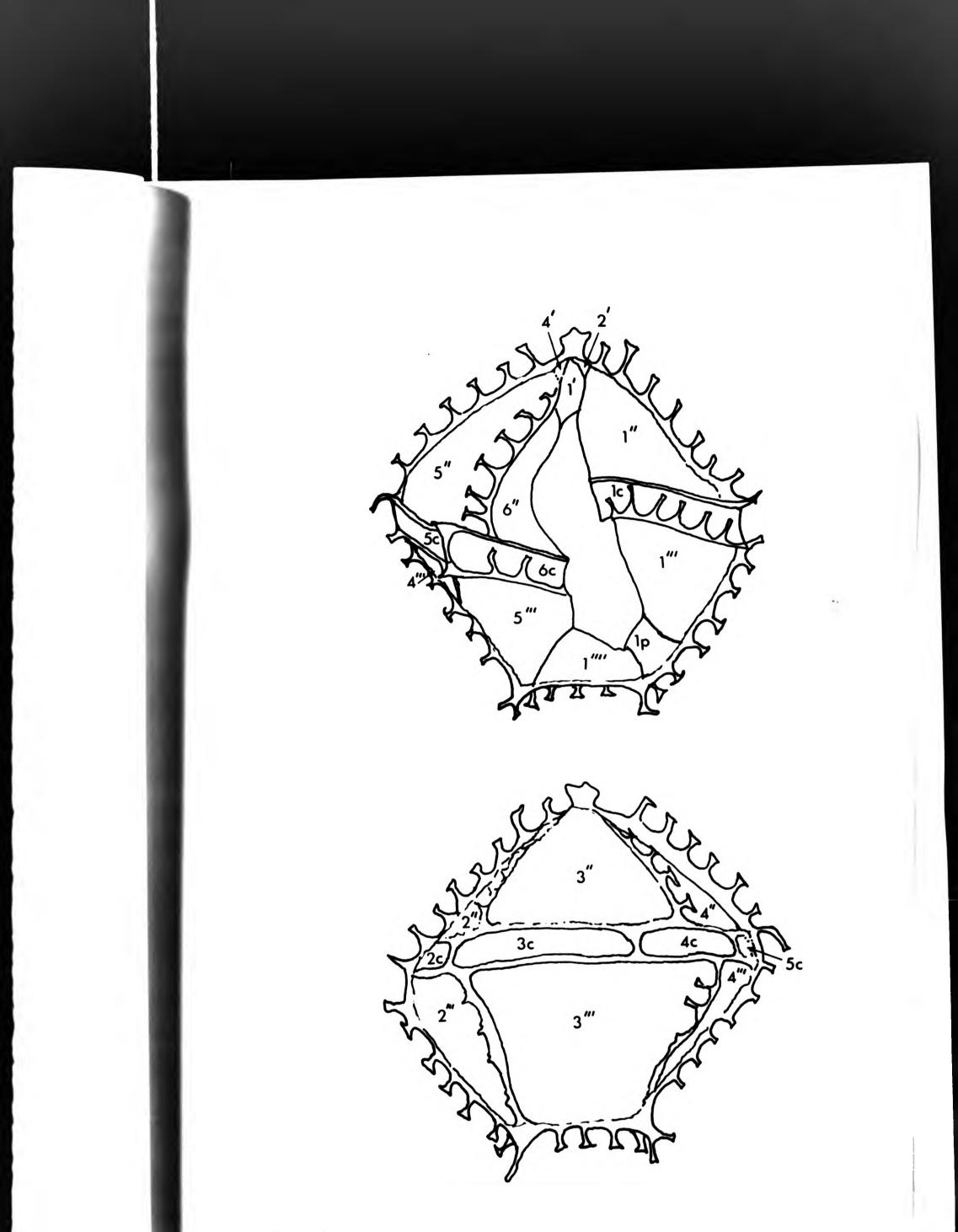
> Hystrichogonyaulax warboysensis sp.nov. (Pl.12, figs.10, 11; Pl.13, fig.1; text-fig.5.1)

Derivation of name: After the village of Warboys, Huntingdonshire, from where this species is recorded for the first time.

Holotype Sample WB.128, slide WB.128a; 057/1351 (E414); middle <u>athleta</u> (U.Callovian), Warboys Borehole. Pl.12, fig. 11; text-fig. 5.1

<u>Diagnosis</u> A species of <u>Hystrichogonyaulax</u> having an intermediate size proximochorate cyst; subspherical to pentagonal in outline, with a small apical horn. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only. Paratabulation indicated by parasutural ridges giving rise to short, simple, bifurcate or trifurcate spines which are consistently buccinate; formula gonyaulacacean: 4', 6", 6c, 5"', 1p, 1"". The surface between parasutural features is smooth. Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only); operculum free.

Description A species of Hystrichogonyaulax with a subspherical to pentagonal cyst and a short apical horn, which is not always apparent and may even be absent in some specimens. The apical horn, when present, is short, broad and tends to trifurcate distally to form three blunt projections. Antapically the cyst is truncate. The cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is quite thin. Most specimens tend to be collapsed, being flattened dorso-ventrally. There is no surface ornamentation on the autophragm between the parasutural features. The parasutural features are quite distinct and represented by broad ridges which give rise to a series of spines; the spines occur on all parasutures except in the region of the parasulcus. The spines are of equal size over the entire cyst and approximately 4-6mu in length. They tend to be equally spaced along the parasutural ridges and may be either simple or bifurcate. Distally they are recurved, proximally they broaden forming a link between neighbouring spines. Paratabulation is clearly indicated in the holotype, but less distinct in other specimens due to collapse of the cyst. It conforms to the gonyaulacacean formula: 4', 6", 6c, 5"', 1p, 1"". The four apical paraplates are quite small and not easily distinguished, except 1' which extends into the parasulcal region. The six precingular paraplates are triangular in outline; 3" is lost in archeopyle formation. Only five postcingular paraplates are visible on the holotype; they are trapezoidal in outline. A small posterior ventral paraplate (1p) occurs between 1"' and 1"". The paracingulum is stongly laevorotatory, the ends being offset ventrally twice the width of the paracingulum itself; it consists of six paraplates of approximately equal size. The paracingulum is approximately 5mu in width on the holotype which is typical. The parasulcus is fairly, but not strongly, sinuous, wide but not depressed. The archaeopyle is precingular, type P, formed by the loss of paraplate 3" only. The operculum is free.



Text-fig. 5.1 <u>Hystrichogonyaulax warboysensis</u> sp. nov. X2100 a. ventral view; b. dorsal view **102** 

#### Dimensions Hole

Holotype: Overall length of cyst: 47mu Overall width of cyst: 47mu Length of apical horn: 5mu Width of paracingulum: 5mu Length of spines: 4mu

Range:

Overall length of cyst: 40-50mu Overall width of cyst: 35-47mu Length of spines: 4-6 mu (7 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>H.warboysensis</u> sp.nov. is distinguished from <u>H.cladophora</u> (Deflandre, 1938) Stover & Evitt, 1978 primarily by its size, the former being about half the size of the latter. It is also distinguished by the constant nature of the spines arising from the parasutural ridges in size and shape; <u>H.warboysensis</u> also lacks surface ornamentation in the intrasutural areas. An apical horn is always present in <u>H.cladophora</u>, but not always apparent in <u>H.warboysensis</u>. <u>H.cladophora</u> has six postcingular paraplates, whereas <u>H.warboysensis</u> appears to have only five. Only one specimen from Warboys was found preserved in its original form, without dorso-ventral flattening, this has been designated the holotype. It occurs more commonly at Warlingham but all specimens were collapsed. General preservation is, however, good.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.210 to WB.128 (medea to middle <u>athleta</u>) Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.605 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>scarburghense</u>).

Overall range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to L.Oxfordian (scarburghense).RangeL.Callovian (calloviense) to L.Oxfordian (scarburghense)

## Genus HYSTRICHOSPHAERINA Alberti, 1961

as recorded herein.

Diagnosis Cysts skolochorate, gonyaulacacean; body subspherical with about 18 cylindrical to trumpet-shaped penitabular process groups, each group linked distally by ring trabeculae; paracingular processes slender, branched, and not interconnected distally; archaeopyle apical, type tA.

Type species Hystrichosphaerina schindewolfii Alberti, 1961

Hystrichosphaerina orbifera (Klement, 1960) Stover & Evitt, (Pl.13, figs.2,3) 1978

1960Systematophora orbiferaKlement: 661978Hystrichosphaerina orbifera (Klement)Stover & Evitt: 58

### <u>Diagnosis</u> Klement, 1960; p66; pl.9, figs.9, 10; pl.10, fig.7

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size skolochorate cyst with a subspherical central body. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which gives rise to about 18 trumpet-shaped, penitabular processes; each group of processes connected distally by ring-trabeculae. Paracingular processes isolated, slender, branched and not interconnected distally. Autophragm between processes smooth. Paratabulation indicated by penitabular process-groups, and less clearly by isolated paracingular processes: ?4', 6", 4-6c, 5-6"', 1p, 1"". Archaeopyle apical, type tA; operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall diameter of central body: 35-45 mu Overall length of processes: 15-27 mu (4 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Stover & Evitt (1978) transferred this species to <u>Hystricho-</u> <u>sphaerina</u>, from <u>Systematophora</u>, on the grounds of its possession of ringtrabeculae on the distal ends of the process-groups which are lacking in Systematophora. Preservation is generally quite poor.

<u>Occurrence</u> Warlingham: Br.214 to Br.140 (<u>corsticardia</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>) in fairly low numbers.

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from Oxfordian (<u>cordatum</u>) to Portlandian (Sarjeant, 1979).

Genus KALYPTEA Cookson & Eisenack, 1960

Synonym Komewuia Cookson & Eisenack, 1960 Netrelytron Sarjeant, 1961a

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximate, elongate ellipsoidal, with single horns at apex and antapex; autophragm smooth or faintly ornamented, with or without surrounding amorphous cloak (kalyptra); archaeopyle intercalary, type I.

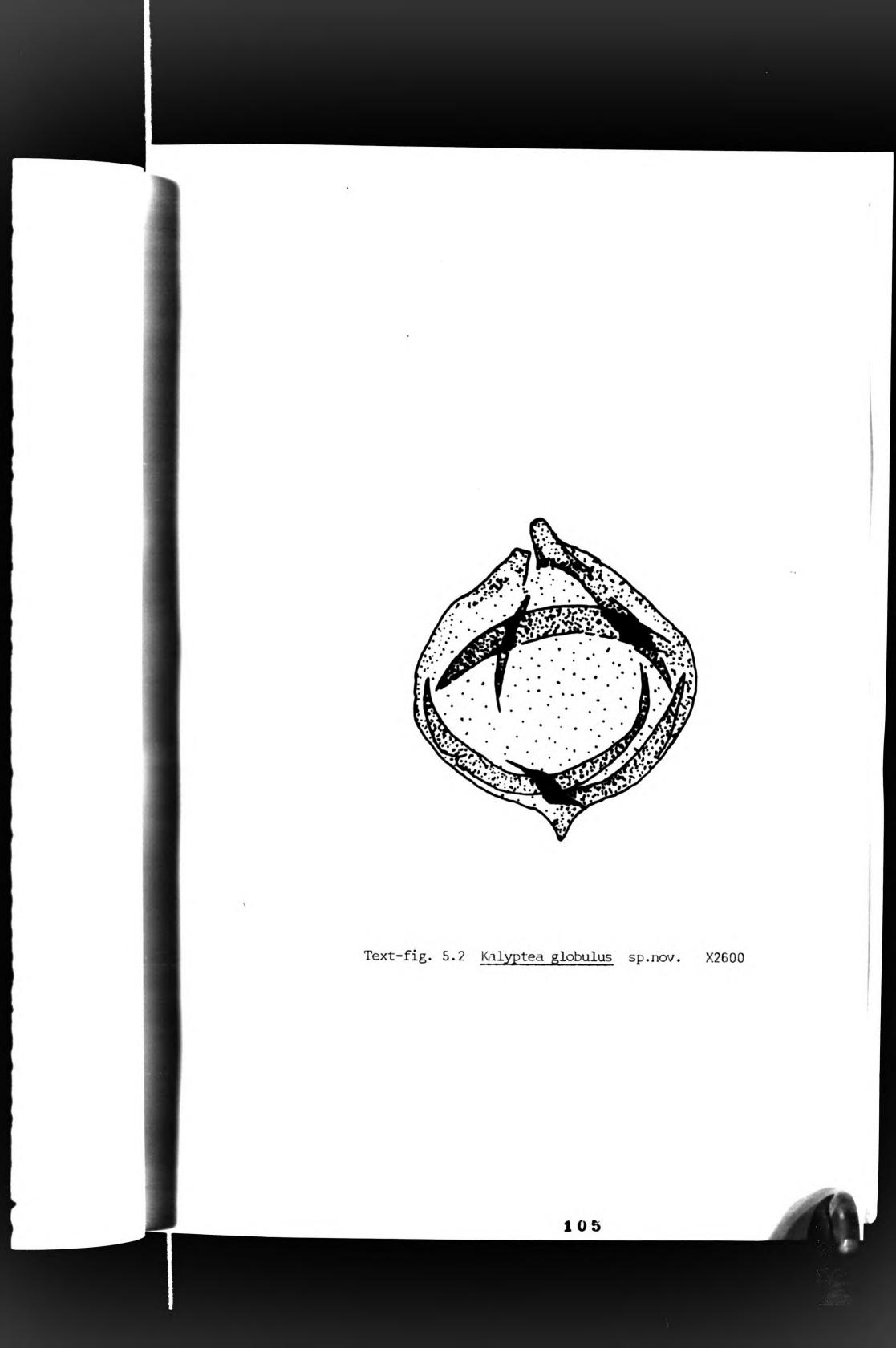
Type species Kalyptea diceras Cookson & Eisenack, 1960

Kalyptea globulus sp.nov. (Pl.13, figs.7-9; text-fig.5.2)

<u>Derivation of name</u> From the Latin "globulus" meaning "little ball", used in apposition.

Holotype Sample Br.727; slide Br.727a; 095/1296 (J473). Lower scarburghense (Lower Oxfordian), Warlingham Borehole. Plate 13, fig.7; text-fig.5.2

<u>Diagnosis</u> Small, spheroidal to globose cyst, with autophragm only and single horns at apex and antapex; the apical horn being slightly longer



and more bluntly-rounded than the antapical horn. A kalyptra is present but often lost due to preservation. Archaeopyle intercalary, type I (2a only); operculum free. Autophragm distinctly folded and smooth to faintly granular.

<u>Description</u> A species of <u>Kalyptea</u> which is characteristically small, spheroidal to globose in outline, consisting of autophragm only. A horn at both apex and antapex is characteristic of the genus; in <u>K.globulus</u> the apical horn is the larger of the two, bluntly-rounded and finger-like, approximately 7-9mu in length. The antapical horn is comparatively smaller (4-5mu in length), broader at its base and tapers to a rounded point distally. The cyst is covered by a delicate kalyptra which is often not preserved; when present it appears to incorporate very finely diffuse debris. The autophragm is quite smooth to faintly granular, consistently folded to give sickle-shaped folds. Paratabulation features entirely lacking except for the archaeopyle. Archaeopyle intercalary, type I (presumably 2a only), small and often difficult to observe.

<u>Dimensions</u> Holotype: Overall length of cyst: 45mu Overall width of cyst: 30mu Length of apical horn: 7mu Length of antapical horn:4mu Range: Overall length of cyst: 40-48mu Overall width of cyst: 20mu

Overall width of cyst: 30mu Length of apical horn: 7-9mu Length of antapical horn:4-5mu (3 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>Kalyptea globulus</u> sp.nov. differs from all previously described species of <u>Kalyptea</u> primarily by its size, being considerably smaller than all other known species. The reduced nature of the apical and antapical horns are also distinctive, as is the consistent sickle-shaped folding of the autophragm. The extent of the kalyptra is unknown due to

preservation.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.785 to Br.465 (scarburghense).

Range L.Oxfordian (scarburghense) only, as recorded herein.

<u>Kalyptea stegasta</u> (Sarjeant, 1961a) Wiggins, 1975 (Pl.13, figs.4-6)

1961a	Netrelytron stegastum Sarjeant: 114
1961	Kalyptea jurassica Alberti: 21
1975	Kalyptea stegasta (Sarjeant) Wiggins: 110

### Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1961a; p114; pl.15, fig. 15; text-fig. 14

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large proximate cyst, elongate ellipsoidal in outline, with prominant apical and antapical horns. Horns vary in length and attitude, tending to be quite long in proprtion to the main body of the cyst and often inclined to the vertical axis of the cyst. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is often folded and smooth to faintly granular. Cyst embodied in a definite amorphous kalyptra, impregnated with sediment debris. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only which is intercalary, type I (apparently 2a only).

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 58-96 mu Overall width of cyst: 35-50 mu (5 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Preservation is variable, often the kalyptra is incomplete or lacking altogether. <u>K.stegasta</u> tends to be more inflated and less spindle-shaped than <u>K.diceras</u> Cookson & Eisenack, 1960. It is distinguished from <u>K.globulus</u> sp.nov. by its size.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.218 to WB.138 (<u>calloviense</u> to middle <u>athleta</u>). Warlingham: Br.1880 to Br.313 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>praecordatum</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>calloviense</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>praecordatum</u>).

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from Callovian (?Bathonian) to Lower Kimmeridgian (Davey & Riley, 1978; Sarjeant, 1979)

Genus KYLINDROCYSTA Fenton, Neves & Piel, 1980

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximate, cylindrical, strongly elongate to subquadrate in outline; Paratabulation absent or indistinct; cyst wall complex, consisting of thin endophragm and spongy, fibrous periphragm; surface spinose to granulose; paratabulation formula: 5', ?5", ?5"', 1""; archaeopyle apical, type ?TA.

Type species Kylindrocysta spinosa Fenton, Neves & Piel, 1980

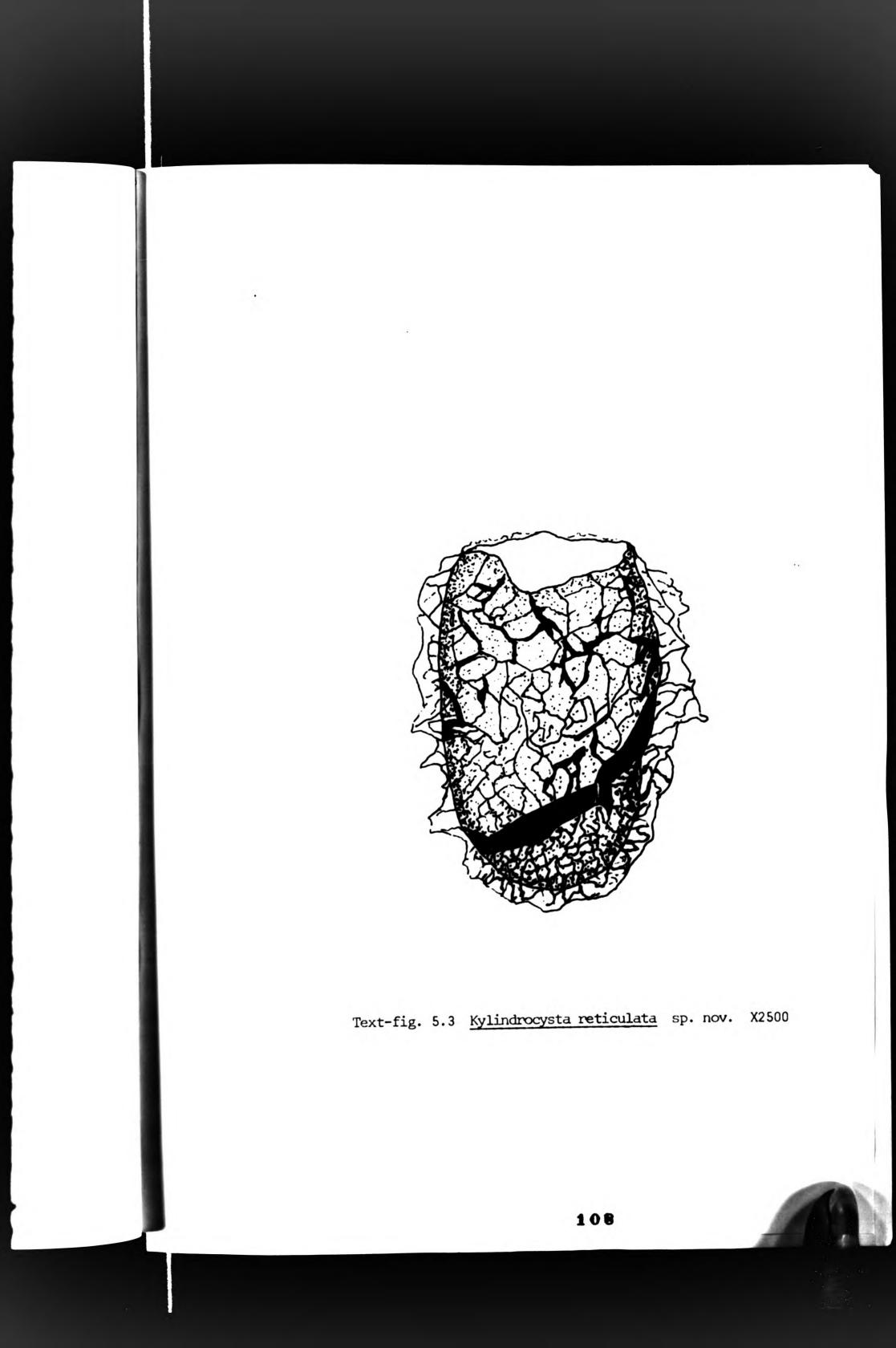
Kylindrocysta reticulata sp. nov.

(Pl.13, figs.10-15; text-fig. 5.3)

Derivation of name From the Latin adjective 'reticulatus', meaning "latticed" or "net-like", describing cyst-ornamentation.

Holotype Sample Br.976; slide Br.976a; 200/1465 (U294). Upper Callovian (lamberti/athleta), Warlingham Borehole. Plate 13, fig.12; text-fig. 5.3.

<u>Diagnosis</u> Small to intermediate proximate cyst, cylindrical, ellongate or subquadrate in outline. Cyst wall two-layered, consisting of an innermost



thin autophragm giving rise to a complex system of processes with distallylinking trabeculae forming a reticulate mesh-work, constituting the ectophragm. No apparent paratabulation. Paracingulum very faintly discernible in some specimens, but usually not present. Archaeopyle apical, type ?TA; operculum free.

<u>Description</u> Cyst is small to intermediate in size, normally elongate, cylindrical in shape, occasionally becoming more subquadrate in outline. The sides of the cyst are straight to slightly convex, the antapex is broadly rounded. The cyst wall is two-layered, comprising a thin autophragm which gives rise to a complex system of non-tabular processes which are numerous and cover the entire cyst. The processes are thin (approximately 1mu) and linked distally by trabeculae in an apparently random fashion to form a reticulate mesh-work, constituting the ectophragm. There is no apparent paratabulation, although parasutural slits are sometimes present along the principle archaeopyle suture. Archaeopyle apical, type ?tA; operculum free. There are faint indications of a paracingulum in some specimens in the form of an indentation of the ectophragm at midpoint along the cyst length.

Dimensions	Holotype:	Overall length of cyst:	42mu
		Overall width of cyst:	35mu
		Thickness of 'mesh':	4mu
	Range:	Overall length of cyst:	39-45mu
		Overall width of cyst:	22-35mu
		Thickness of 'mesh':	4 <b>-</b> 5 mu
		(6 specimens measured)	

<u>Remarks</u> The broad morphological description of <u>Kylindrocysta retic-</u> <u>ulata</u> sp.nov. compares very closely to the generic diagnosis of <u>Kylindrocysta</u> as determined by Fenton, Neves & Piel (1980). It does however, differ from the only other known species, <u>K.spinosa</u> Fenton, Neves & Piel, 1980, in possessing the reticulate ectophragm and in lacking any observed para-

tabulation. This species is readily identified on its broad morphological features. Specimens are well preserved.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.1883 to Br.140 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). <u>Range</u> L.Callovian (<u>calloviense</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>) as recorded herein.



#### Genus LEPTODINIUM Klement, 1960 emend. Stover & Evitt, 1978

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximochorate, ellipsoidal to subpolygonal, with or without an apical projection or horn. Paratabulation gonyaulacacean, indicated by parasutural septa only; paraplate 4' characteristically shorter than 1', and contact with four- or five-sided paraplate 6" substantial; archaeopyle precingular, type P.

#### Type species Leptodinium subtile Klement, 1960

Leptodinium gongylos (Sarjeant, 1966a) Stover & Evitt, 1978 (Pl.14, figs.1-3)

1961a	Gonyaulax sp. Sarjeant: 97
1966a	Gonyaulacysta gongylos Sarjeant: 111
1978	Leptodinium gongylos (Sarjeant) Stover & Evitt: 170

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1966a; p111; pl.13, figs.1,2; text-fig.6

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size, proximate cyst, rounded to subpolygonal in outline with a short, blunt apical horn. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only. Paratabulation indicated by low, parasutural, denticulate crests to give the gonyaulacacean formula: 4', 1a, 6", 6c, 6"', 1p, 1"". Area between parasutural features smooth. Paraplate 1' is elongate and corresponds to an apical prolongation of the parasulcus. Parasulcus and paracingulum both relatively broad, the latter being laevorotatory and offset ventrally by approximately one width of the paracingulum. Archeopyle precingular, type P (3" only); operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 44-64 mu Overall width of cyst: 44-56 mu (6 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Stover & Evitt transferred this species from <u>Gonyaulacysta</u> to <u>Leptodinium</u> because of the proximochorate nature of the cyst, rather than the typically bicavate cyst-type of <u>Gonyaulacysta</u>; this distinction has been followed here. Specimens compare fairly closely with the original description of Sarjeant (1966a), but differ in lacking paraplate 7c. Paraplate 6" is more elongate but still subquadrate in outline.

Occurrence Warboys: a single specimen from WB.58 (<u>scarburghense</u>). Warlingham: Br.443 to Br.292 (<u>praecordatum</u> to <u>bulowskii</u>). Overall range: L.Oxfordian (<u>praecordatum</u> to <u>bulowskii</u>).

Range Lower to Middle Oxfordian (Sarjeant, 1979)

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## Leptodinium miriabile Klement, 1960 (Pl.14, fig.4)

1960Leptodinium miriabileKlement: 481967Gonyaulacysta miriabile(Klement) Dodekova: 191973Leptodinium miriabileKlement; Lentin & Williams: 87

Diagnosis Klement, 1960; p48; pl.6, figs.7-10; text-figs.25-27

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size, proximochorate cyst, subspherical to ovoidal in outline with no apicular structure. Autophragm only. Paratabulation indicated by low parasutural septa of uniform height which are smooth, as are the intrasutural areas. Distinct paratabulation gonyaulacacean: 4', 6", 5c, 5"', 1p, 1"", with a more complex paraplate structure in the parasulcal region. Paracingulum marked by five elongate paraplates. Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only); operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 70 mu Overall width of cyst: 60 mu (1 specimen only)

<u>Remarks</u> A single specimen only was recorded, but clearly belongs to this species. Paratabulation distinct. Preservation very good. Operculum can be seen resting inside the cyst.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.246 L.Oxfordian (corsticardia).

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from Middle Oxfordian to Lower Kimmeridgian (Sarjeant, 1979).

> ?Leptodinium sp. (Pl.14, figs.5,6)

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size cyst, ovoidal to subquadrate in outline, without apicular or antapicular structures. Generally autophragm only, although some specimens exhibit a 2-layered wall. Paratabulation partially indicated by paracingulum only which is laevorotatory and although distinct, is often represented by folds in the cyst wall; but may also be conventional. Other parasutural septa are only rarely observed, possibly due to state of preservation; when present they are low, smooth and of uniform height. Archaeopyle difficult to determine, presumably precingular.

Dimensions Overall length of cyst: 50-69 mu Overall width of cyst: 50-60 mu (4 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Preservation of specimens generally quite poor and only a tentative assignment to <u>Leptodinium</u> is made.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.223 to WB.108 (<u>calloviense</u> to upper <u>athleta</u>). Warlingham: Br.115 to Br.194 (<u>lamberti/athleta</u> to <u>corsti</u>cardia).

Overall range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to L.Oxfordian (corsticardia).

Genus LITHODINIA Eisenack, 1935 emend. Gocht, 1975

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximate, subspherical to roundly polyhedral; paratabulation indicated by parasutural rows of short projections whose bases may coalesce; gonyaulacacean, formula: 4', 6", 6c, 5"', 1p, 1"", 1 or more s; archaeopyle apical, type 4A, typically with deep parasulcal notch.

Type species Lithodinia jurassica Eisenack, 1935, emend. Gocht, 1975 Lithodinia jurassica Eisenack, 1935, emend. Gocht, 1975 (Pl.14, figs.7-10)

1935 <u>Lithodinia jurassica</u> Eisenack: 175 1975 Lithodinia jurassica Eisenack, emend. Gocht: 355

Diagnosis Eisenack, 1935; p175; pl.4, figs. 5-10; text-figs. 1-4

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size, proximate cyst, subspherical to subpolyhedral in outline. Autophragm only, although SEM reveals two wall layers, not discernible with light microscopy. Paratabulation indicated by parasutural crests which vary from low rows of granulations to fairly high spinose features connected at their bases. Paratabulation gonyaulacacean, formula: 4', 6", 6c, 5"', 1p, 1"". Archaeopyle apical, type 4A; principle archaeopyle suture zigzag with a deep parasulcal notch. Operculum free to attached.

Dimensions Overall length of cyst: 45-70 mu Overall width of cyst: 45-70 mu

(14 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Following the return to <u>Meiourogonyaulax</u> Sarjeant, 1966a, of the majority of species formerly attributed to <u>Lithodinia</u> by Stover & Evitt, 1978, <u>L.jurassica</u> remains the only species belonging to this genus except for <u>L.pocockii</u> (Sarjeant, 1968) Davey, 1979 which was formerly attributed to <u>Chytroeisphaeridia</u> (Sarjeant, 1962a) Downie, Evitt & Sarjeant, 1963. <u>L.jurassica</u> differs from <u>L.pocockii</u> in its size and possession of distinct paratabulation. "<u>Lithodinia</u> differs from <u>Meiourogonyaulax</u> in having a type 4A archaeopyle with free opercular pieces rather than a type

tA archaeopyle. In general the parasutural features are more continuous and higher in <u>Meiourogonyaulax</u> than those on <u>Lithodinia</u>! (Stover & Evitt, 1978, p61). Specimens here tend to be smaller and more typically <u>L.jurassica</u> in lower and middle Callovian samples, becoming larger with more spinose parasutural crests in the upper Callovian (and into the lower Oxfordian of Warlingham).

<u>Occurrence</u> Warboys: WB.228 to WB.83 (<u>kamptus</u> to <u>lamberti</u>); particularly abundant in <u>calloviense</u> and middle <u>athleta</u>, where it forms more than 10% of the total assemblage.

Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.693 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>scarburghense</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>kamptus</u>) to L.Oxfordian (scarburghense).

Range Previously recorded from Callovian only (Sarjeant, 1979).

Lithodinia pocockii (Sarjeant, 1968) Davey, 1979 (Pl.14, figs.11-15)

1965Chytroeisphaeridiasp. Sarjeant: 1821968Chytroeisphaeridia pocockiiSarjeant: 2301979Lithodinia pocockii(Sarjeant) Davey: 217

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1968; p230; pl.3, fig.9

<u>Description</u> Small proximate cyst, ovoidal to subspherical in outline. The wall is thick and complexly structured internally, giving a spongy or granular appearance, but smooth when observed at the lateral margins of the cyst. The wall is almost invariably folded. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only. Archaeopyle apical, type ?4A; principle archeopyle suture zigzag. Operculum free to attached.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 30-40 mu Overall width of cyst: 30-59 mu (9 specimens measured)

Remarks L.pocockii differs from L.jurassica Eisenack, 1935 emend

Gocht, 1975, in its size, granular texture and lack of parasutural features. Some specimens exhibit a faint paracingulum (pl.14, figs.11-14).

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.18 (kamptus to praecordatum), occuring abundantly in most samples, particularly in Callovian.

Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.140 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>kamptus</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>).

Range Previously recorded from middle and upper Jurassic.

#### Genus MEIOUROGONYAULAX Sarjeant, 1966a

## Diagnosis Cysts proximochorate, subspherical, gonyaulacacean; generally complete paratabulation indicated by smooth, continuous, parasutural ridges or septa of essentially uniform height; archaeopyle apical, type TA.

Type species Meiourogonyaulax valensii Sarjeant, 1966a

> Meiourogonyaulax caytonensis (Sarjeant, 1959) Sarjeant, 1969 (Pl.15, fig.1)

1959	Gonyaulax caytonensis Sarjeant: 330
1969	Meiourogonyaulax caytonensis (Sarjeant) Sarjeant: 14
1977	Lithodinia caytonensis (Sarjeant) Lentin & Williams: 100
1978	Meiourogonyaulax caytonensis (Sarjeant) Sarjeant; Stover & Evitt:63

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1959; p330; pl.13, fig.1; text-fig.1

Intermediate size proximate cyst, subspherical in outline. Description Cyst wall consists of autophragm only giving rise to high parasutural crests which are irregularly perforate and of uniform height. Intrasutural areas are finely granular. Paratabulation gonyaulacacean: ?4', 6", 6c, 6"', 1"", paraplate 6"' being much reduced in size. Archaeopyle apical, type tA; principal archaeopyle suture zigzag; operculum free.

Overall length of cyst: 60-65 mu Dimensions Overall width of cyst: 50-63 mu (3 specimens measured)

The characteristically high perforate parasutural crests Remarks are distinctive and distinguish this species from all other species of Meiourogonyaulax. Specimens were encountered in lower and middle Callovian samples only. Preservation is generally poor although the distinctive parasutural crests make identification possible even in fragmentary specimens.

Warboys: WB.224 to WB.208 (koenigi to obductum). Occurrence Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.1833 (calloviense).

Overall occurrence: L.Callovian (koenigi) to M.Callovian (obductum).

Previously recorded from L.Callovian (macrocephalus) only Range (Sarjeant, 1979). The range is therefore extended to M.Callovian (obductum) on the basis of this study.

> Meiourogonyaulax cristulata (Sarjeant, 1959) Sarjeant, 1969 (Pl.15, figs.2,3)

1959	?Gonyaulax cristualata Sarjeant:332
1969	?Meiourogonyaulax cristulata (Sarjeant) Sarjeant: 14
1977	?Lithodinia cristulata (Sarjeant) Lentin & Williams: 100
1978	Meiourogonyaulax cristulata (Sarjeant) Sarjeant 1969; Stover &
	Evitt: 63

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1959; p332; pl.13, fig.2; text-fig.2

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size proximate cyst, subspherical in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only with low to moderately high parasutural crests which are in part irregularly perforate. Intrasutural areas finely to coarsely granular. Paratabulation indicated by parasutural features, gonyaulacacean: ?4', 6", ?1a, 6c, 5"', 1p, 1"". Archaeopyle apical, type tA; principle archaeopyle suture zigzag; operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 50 mu Overall width of cyst: 45-50 mu (2 specimens only)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>M.cristulata</u> is similar in gross morphology to <u>M.caytonensis</u> (Sarjeant, 1959) Sarjeant, 1969 but differs in size, the former being smaller. <u>M.cristulata</u> also has 5 postcingular paraplates whereas <u>M.caytonensis</u> has 6. The parasutural crests on <u>M.caytonensis</u> are higher and the irregular perforations are entire rather than in part. Specimens exhibit the same crystalline structures on the cyst wall as illustrated by Sarjeant, (1959).

Occurrence Warboys: WB.224 to WB.218 (koenigi to <u>calloviense</u>). Warlingham: a single specimen from Br.1833 (<u>calloviense</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (koenigi to calloviense).

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from L.Callovian (<u>macrocephalus</u>) only (Sarjeant, 1979). The range is therefore extended within the L.Callovian to the <u>calloviense</u> subzone on the basis of this study.

Meiourogonyaulax decapitata (W.Wetzel, 1966) Sarjeant, 1969

(Pl.15, figs.4-11)

1966	Gonyaulax decapitata W.Wetzel
1969	Meiourogonyaulax decapitata (W.Wetzel) Sarjeant: 14
1977	Lithodinia decapitata (W.Wetzel) Lentin & Williams: 101
1978	Meiourogonyaulax decapitata (W.Wetzel) Sarjeant, 1969; Stover
	& Evitt: 63

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1972; p29; pl.5, fig.3; text-fig.5

Description Intermediate size proximate cyst, broadly ovoidal in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is finely granular. Paratabulation indicated by parasutural crests of low to moderate height, often

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perforate; gonyaulacacean: 4', 0a, 6", 6c, 6"', 1p, 1pv, 1"". Paracingulum weakly laevorotatory; parasulcus broad. Archaeopyle apical, type  $\overline{tA}$ ; operculum free. Principle archaeopyle suture zigzag.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 45-65 mu Overall width of cyst: 50-64 mu (12 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens identify closely with the emended description of Sarjeant (1972), but are generally slightly smaller. One specimen has been recovered with the operculum attached (Pl.15, fig.10) where 4 apical paraplates are discernible, which clarifies the uncertainty of the number of apical paraplates stated by Sarjeant. <u>M.decapitata</u> differs from <u>M.caytonensis</u> and <u>M.cristulata</u> in possessing lower parasutural crests, a posterior ventral paraplate and being slightly smaller.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.1531 to Br.368 (grossouvrei to praecordatum). Overall range: M.Callovian (grossouvrei) to L.Oxfordian (praecordatum).

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from U.Bajocian and Bathonian (Sarjeant, 1979). The known range of <u>M.decapitata</u> is therefore extended to Lower Oxfordian (praecordatum) on the basis of the present study.

### Genus MILLIOUDODINIUM Stover & Evitt, 1978

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximate; autocyst subspherical to ellipsoidal, usually with a prominant apical horn; paratabulation gonyaulacacean, indicated by generally low parasutural ridges; paraplates without accessory ridges, septa or other rectilinear markings; archaeopyle precingular, type P.

Type species Millioudodinium fetchamense (Sarjeant, 1966a) Stover & Evitt, 1978

Millioudodinium sp. (Pl.15, figs.12,13)

Description Large proximate cyst, subquadrate in outline with a prominant apical horn which tapers to a bluntly-rounded point. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only and is fairly thin. Parasutural features faintly discernible in part on one specimen in the form of low thin ridges (Pl. 15, fig.12), exhibiting paraplates 1", 1c, 1"' & 2"'. Archaeopyle precingular, ?type P; operculum free. Autophragm folded in the paracingulum region.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 103-113 mu Overall width of cyst: 86-88 mu (2 specimens measured) 116 <u>Remarks</u> Two specimens only were recovered from the Warlingham section. Although poorly-preserved, they fit the generic description as defined by Stover & Evitt, 1978; p173. Of all species listed by Stover & Evitt, the most closely-aligned is <u>M.globatum</u> (Gitmez & Sarjeant, 1972) Stover & Evitt, 1978. The holotype for this species, listed by Gitmez & Sarjeant, was recorded from the Kimmeridgian section of the Warlingham Borehole. It is possible therefore, that the two specimens recorded here could by contaminants from higher sections of the borehole.

Occurrence Warlingham: 1 specimen from each of samples Br.727 and Br.465 L.Oxfordian (scarburghense).

### Genus PALAEOSTOMOCYSTIS Deflandre, 1937 emend. Deflandre, 1966

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts ellipsoidal and reticulate, with narrow muri and small lumina that vary in size and shape; archaeopyle at apex, type uncertain, may have a thickened rim.

Type species Palaeostomocystis reticulata Deflandre, 1937

Palaeostomocystis tornatilis Drugg, 1978 (Pl.16, figs.1-3)

Diagnosis Drugg, 1978; p71; pl.7, figs.4-6

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size, flask-shape cyst, more-or-less elliptical in outline and varying from subcircular, through ovoidal to somewhat elongate. Cyst wall consists of a relatively thick autophragm only which thins towards the apex forming a narrow rim around the archaeopyle. The wall surface is slightly roughened or finely granular and may exhibit minor folding. The archaeopyle is a circular opening at the apex, presumed to be apical, although the type is uncertain. There are no indications of paratabulation.

Dimensions Overall length of cyst: 50-74 mu

Overall width of cyst: 40-58 mu (6 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>P.tornatilis</u> is a readily recognisable species, the robust nature of the cyst wall makes for good preservation. Specimens identify closely with those described by Drugg (1978).

OccurrenceWarboys: WB.83 to WB.18 (lamberti to praecordatum).Warlingham: Br.1813 to Br.292 (calloviense to bulowskii).Overall range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to L.Oxfordian (bulowskii).RangePreviously recorded from M.Callovian (coronatum) to L.Oxford-

ian (mariae) by Drugg, 1978. The range is therefore extended to: L.Callovian (calloviense) to L.Oxfordian (bulowskii) on the basis of this study.

#### Genus PARAGONYAULACYSTA Johnson & Hills, 1973

Diagnosis Cysts proximate, ellipsoidal, with an apical horn; paratabulation indicated by low parasutural ridges; autophragm smooth; archeopyle intercalary, type 21.

Type species Paragonyaulacysta calloviensis Johnson & Hills, 1973

Paragonyaulacysta calloviensis Johnson & Hills, 1973 (Pl.16, figs.4,5)

Diagnosis Johnson & Hills, 1973; p207; pl.2, figs.9, 15, 16(not 13, 17); text-fig.9

Description Small to intermediate proximate cyst, ellipsoidal in outline with a prominant, but short, apical horn. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only, which is smooth to faintly granular. Paratabulation indicated by low parasutural ridges, which at junctions with paracingulum bear short spines. Paratabulation formula: 2', 2a, 6", 6c, 6"', 1p, 1"". Paracingulum broad, laevorotatory. Parasulcus a longitudinally-elongate area between paraplates 1' and 1"", wider antapically than apically, bordered by parasutural ridges. Archaeopyle intercalary, type 2I; operculum free.

Overall length of cyst: 55 mu Dimensions Overall width of cyst: 45 mu Length of apical horn: 10 mu (1 specimen only)

A single specimen only encountered which clearly belongs to Remarks P.calloviensis. Although closely resembles species of Gonyaulacysta in its paratabulation and broad morphology, it is distinguished by the presence of an intercalary, rather than precingular, archaeopyle.

Warlingham: Br.395 L.Oxfordian (praecordatum). Occurrence

Previously recorded from Callovian only (Johnson & Hills, Range The range is tentatively extended to L.Oxfordian (praecordatum). 1973).

PAREODINIA Deflandre, 1947b emend. Stover & Evitt, 1978 Genus

Sarjeant, 1966b Synonyms Paranelytron Imbatodinium Vozzhennikova, 1967 Dodekova, 1975 Glamodinium

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<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximate to proximochorate, ellipsoidal with an apical horn only; paratabulation expressed incompletely by archaeopyle only, or by faint, discontinuous parasutural features; autophragm smooth or variously ornamented; archaeopyle intercalary, type 2I or 3I.

#### Type species Pareodinia ceratophora Deflandre, 1947b

Pareodinia ceratophora Deflandre, 1947b (Pl.16, figs.13-15)

1947Ъ	Pareodinia ceratophora Deflandre: 4
1958	Pareodinia aphelia Cookson & Eisenack: 60
1960	Kalyptea monoceras Cookson & Eisenack: 257
<b>196</b> 6b	Paranetrelytron strongylum Sarjeant: 201
1967a	Pareodinia (Palaeoperidinium) nuda (Downie, 1957) Sarjeant: 253
1975	Pareodinia ceratophora Deflandre; Wiggins: 103

Diagnosis Deflandre, 1947b; p4; text-figs. 1-3

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size proximate cyst, ellipsoidal to ellongate in outline with a long tapering apical horn, being at least half the length of the main cyst body in length. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which varies from smooth to faintly granular, often folded. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only. Archaeopyle intercalary, type 2-3I; operculum free. Kalyptra absent.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 68-99 mu Overall width of cyst: 28-46 mu Length of apical horn: 23-26 mu (3 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>P.ceratophora</u> s.s., although very variable in form, is distinguished from its subspecies by the more elongate nature of the cyst and greater length of the apical horn. <u>P. ceratophora</u> subsp. <u>pachyceras</u> and <u>P.ceratophora</u> subsp. <u>scopeus</u> may well be morphological variants of <u>P.ceratophora</u> s.s., however, the subspecies are retained here.

Occurrence Warboys: WB. 188 to WB.28 (grossouvrei to praecordatum).

Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.214 (calloviense to corsticardia).

Overall range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to L.Oxfordian (corsticardia).

Range Middle Jurassic to Lower Cretaceous.

Pareodinia ceratophora subsp. pachyceras (Sarjeant, 1959) (Pl.16, figs. 16-19) Lentin & Williams, 1973

1959Pareodinia ceratophora var. pachycerasSarjeant: 3371973Pareodinia ceratophora subsp. pachyceras(Sarjeant) Lentin &<br/>Williams: 108

#### Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1959; p337; pl.13, fig.10; text-fig.5a

<u>Description</u> Small to intermediate proximate cyst, broadly ovoidal in outline with an apical horn of about one-third total cyst length. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is smooth to faintly granular, usually folded. An outer kalyptra is often present, incorporating sedimentary debris. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only which is intercalary, type 2-3I; operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 50-80 mu Overall width of cyst: 22-60 mu Length of apical horn: 8-15 mu (10 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> This subspecies differs from <u>P.ceratophora</u> s.s. in being more broadly ovoidal, slightly smaller in size and having a shorter, more bluntly-rounded, apical horn. A kalyptra is never present in <u>P.ceratophora</u> s.s.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.18 (<u>kamptus</u> to <u>praecordatum</u>); particularly abundant in L.Callovian.

Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.140 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>kamptus</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>).

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from ?Lower Callovian only (Lentin & Williams, 1977). The range is therefore tentatively extended to M.Oxfordian on the basis of this study.

	Pareodinia ceratophora subsp. scopeus (Sarjeant, 1972) Lentin & Williams, 1973
	(P1.17, figs.1-5)
1972 1973	Pareodinia ceratophora var. <u>scopeus</u> Sarjeant: 26 Pareodinia ceratophora subsp. <u>scopeus</u> (Sarjeant) Lentin & Williams: 108

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1972; p26; pl.2, fig.4

<u>Description</u> Small to intermediate proximate cyst, subspherical to ovoidal in outline with a small, bluntly-rounded, apical horn. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is smooth and often folded. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only which is intercalary, type 2-3I; operculum free. Entire cyst often encapsulated in a kalyptra of variable thickness, with incorporated sedimentary debris.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 45-75 mu Overall width of cyst: 32-50 mu Length of apical horn: 7-9 mu (8 specimens measured) **120**  <u>Remarks</u> This subspecies is distinguished from <u>P.ceratophora</u> s.s. and <u>P.ceratophora</u> subsp. <u>pachyceras</u> by its overall size, being much smaller. It also differs in having a more rounded cyst body and considerably reduced apical horn.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.218 to WB.23 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>praecordatum</u>). Warlingham: Br.1813 to Br.115 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>calloviense</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>).

<u>Range</u> Late Bathonian to Early Callovian (Lentin & Williams, 1977). The range is therefore extended to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>) on the basis of this study.

## Pareodinia alaskensis Wiggins, 1975 (Pl.16, figs.6-10)

Diagnosis Wiggins, 1975; p104; pl.2, figs.7,8

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size proximate cyst, ovoidal in outline with a relatively small, but distinct, apical horn. Cyst wall consists generally of autophragm only, some forms exhibiting a possible outer covering in the form of a periphragm, producing pericoels apically and antapically. Wall surface is medium to coarsely granular. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only. Archaeopyle intercalary, type 3I; operculum free, composed of three, nearly equally-sized, paraplates. Indications of a paracingulum occasionally present. Apicular structure present in the form of a short, rod-like thickening.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 60-92 mu Overall width of cyst: 38-50 mu (8 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Although specimens are variable, the overall gross morphology identifies with the description of Wiggins (1975). <u>P.brachythelis</u> Fensome, 1979 is very similar in all but size and may be synonymous. Specimens are generally well preserved and the operculum remains intact in some. Wiggins does not refer to an outer cyst wall layer in the form of a periphragm; the presence of such a layer in certain specimens here may possibly emend the diagnosis.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.1255 to Br.194, U.Callovian (<u>lamberti</u> /<u>athleta</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>corsticardia</u>).

Range Upper Jurassic (Callovian to Kimmeridgian).

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## Pareodinia cf. apotomocerastes Sarjeant, 1972 (Pl.16, figs.11,12)

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1972; p27; pl.3, fig.4

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size proximate cyst, broadly ovoidal in outline with a short, pointed, broadly-based apical horn. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is coarsely-granular. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only which is intercalary, type 2I; operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 53-60 mu Overall width of cyst: 38-44 mu (3 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Although specimens resemble <u>P.apotomocerastes</u> in their broad morphology, they differ in lacking a periphragm and are therefore here included in <u>P.cf. apotomocerastes</u>.

<u>Occurrence</u> Warboys: WB.212 to WB.188 lower to middle Callovian (<u>enod</u>atum to grossouvrei).

Range Bathonian to Early Callovian (Sarjeant, 1979).

Pareodinia prolongata Sarjeant, 1959 (Pl.17, figs.6-8)

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1959; p335; pl.13, fig.8; text-fig.4

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large proximate cyst, elongate-ovoidal in outline, with a prominant apical horn approximately equal to the theca in length. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is smooth and often folded. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only, type ?2-3I; operculum free. A kalyptra may or may not be present.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 65-90 mu Overall width of cyst: 25-42 mu Length of apical horn: 21-37 mu

(4 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>P.prolongata</u> is distinguished from all other known species of Pareodinia by the length of the apical horn.

OccurrenceWarboys: WB.228 to WB.103 (kamptus to upper athleta).<br/>Warlingham: Br.1833 to Br.851 (calloviense to upper athleta/<br/>lamberti).lamberti).Overall range: L.Callovian (kamptus) to U.Callovian (upper athleta/lamberti).RangePreviously recorded from U.Bathonian to Callovian (Sarjeant,<br/>1979)

# Pareodinia warlinghamensis sp. nov. (Pl.17, figs. 9-14,23; text-fig. 5.4)

Derivation of name: After the village of Warlingham, Surrey, from where this species was recorded for the first time.

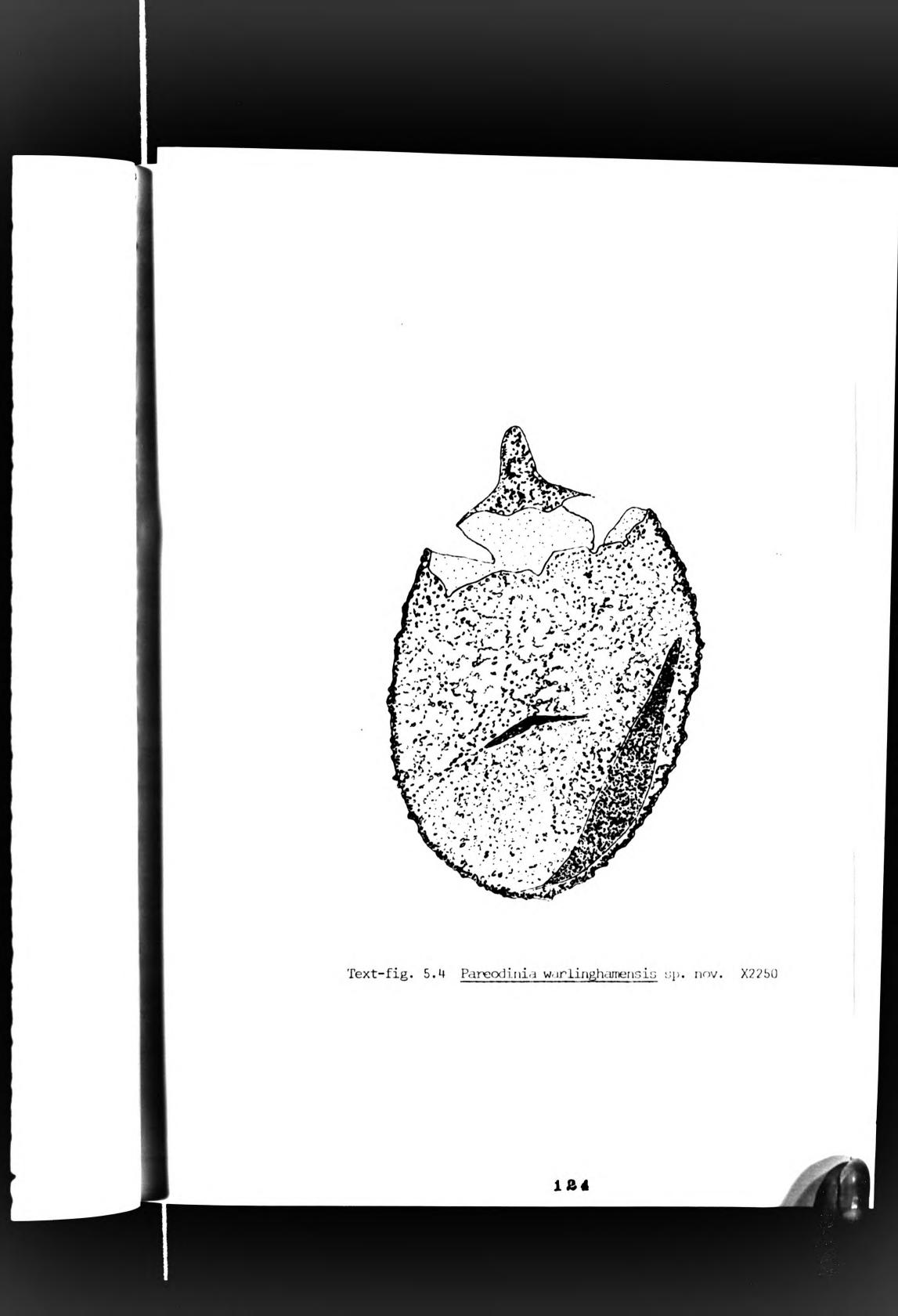
<u>Holotype</u>: Sample Br.1307; slide Br.1307a; 120/1334 (M420). Upper Callovian (<u>lamberti</u> / <u>athleta</u>), Warlingham Borehole. Plate 17, fig.14; text-fig. 5.4 <u>Diagnosis</u> Intermediate size proximate cyst, broadly ellipsoidal to elongateovoidal in outline; apical horn small to intermediate in length, bluntlyrounded. Autophragm only, coarsely-granular to rugose, often folded. Paratabulation lacking except for archaeopyle. Archaeopyle intercalary, type ?3I; operculum free. Kalyptra not observed.

<u>Description</u> A species of <u>Pareodinia</u> with an intermediate size proximate cyst; broadly ellipsoidal to elongate-ovoidal in outline. A prominantapical horn is present which varies in length between 8mu and 21mu; bluntly-rounded and uniform in width along its length. The cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is of moderate thickness (2-3mu) and often folded. The surface of the cyst is characteristically ornamented by coarse granulations, becoming rugose in some specimens. Paratabulation is completely lacking except for the archaeopyle. Archaeopyle intercalary; the type of archaeopyle is uncertain as an operculum has not been observed. The nature of the principle archaeopyle suture suggests that the operculum is formed of three paraplates (1a, 2a, and 3a), which would suggest a type 3I archeopyle. No kalyptra has been observed.

Dimensions	Holotype:	Overall length of cyst:	60mu
		Overall width of cyst:	40mu
		Length of apical horn:	8mu
		Width of apical horn:	4mu
	Range:	Overall length of cyst:	55-80mii
		Overall width of cyst:	32-42mu
		Length of apical horn:	8-21mu

(9 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> The coarsely-granular to rugose nature of the cyst wall is characteristic of <u>P.warlinghamensis</u> sp.nov., as is the wide archaeopyle and apical horn of uniform thickness. This species differs from <u>P.ceratophora</u> subsp. <u>pachyceras</u> (Sarjeant, 1959) Lentin & Williams, 1973 in its surface ornamentation and lack of a kalyptra. It differs from <u>P.alaskensis</u> Wiggins, 1975 in lacking a mammelon-like apicular structure. Specimens are very well preserved.



Occurrence Warlingham: Br.1307 to Br.115, U.Callovian (<u>lamberti</u> / <u>athleta</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>).

Range U.Callovian (lamberti / athleta) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale), as recorded herein.

## Pareodinia wigginsi sp. nov. (Pl.17, figs.15-18; text-fig. 5.5)

1975 Pareodinia sp.E Wiggins: 109

Derivation of name: After Virgil D. Wiggins of the Standard Oil Company of California, U.S.A., who first recorded this species.

Holotype: Sample Br.727; slide Br.727a; 190/1363 (T400). L.Oxfordian (<u>scarburghense</u>), Warlingham Borehole. Plate 17, fig.15; text-fig. 5.5

<u>Diagnosis</u> A small to intermediate proximate cyst, spherical to ovoidal in outline tapering towards the apex to form a low apical projection. Autophragm only, very coarsely granular giving a fibrous appearance, not folded. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only. Archaeopyle intercalary, type 3I; operculum free to attached. No kalyptra.

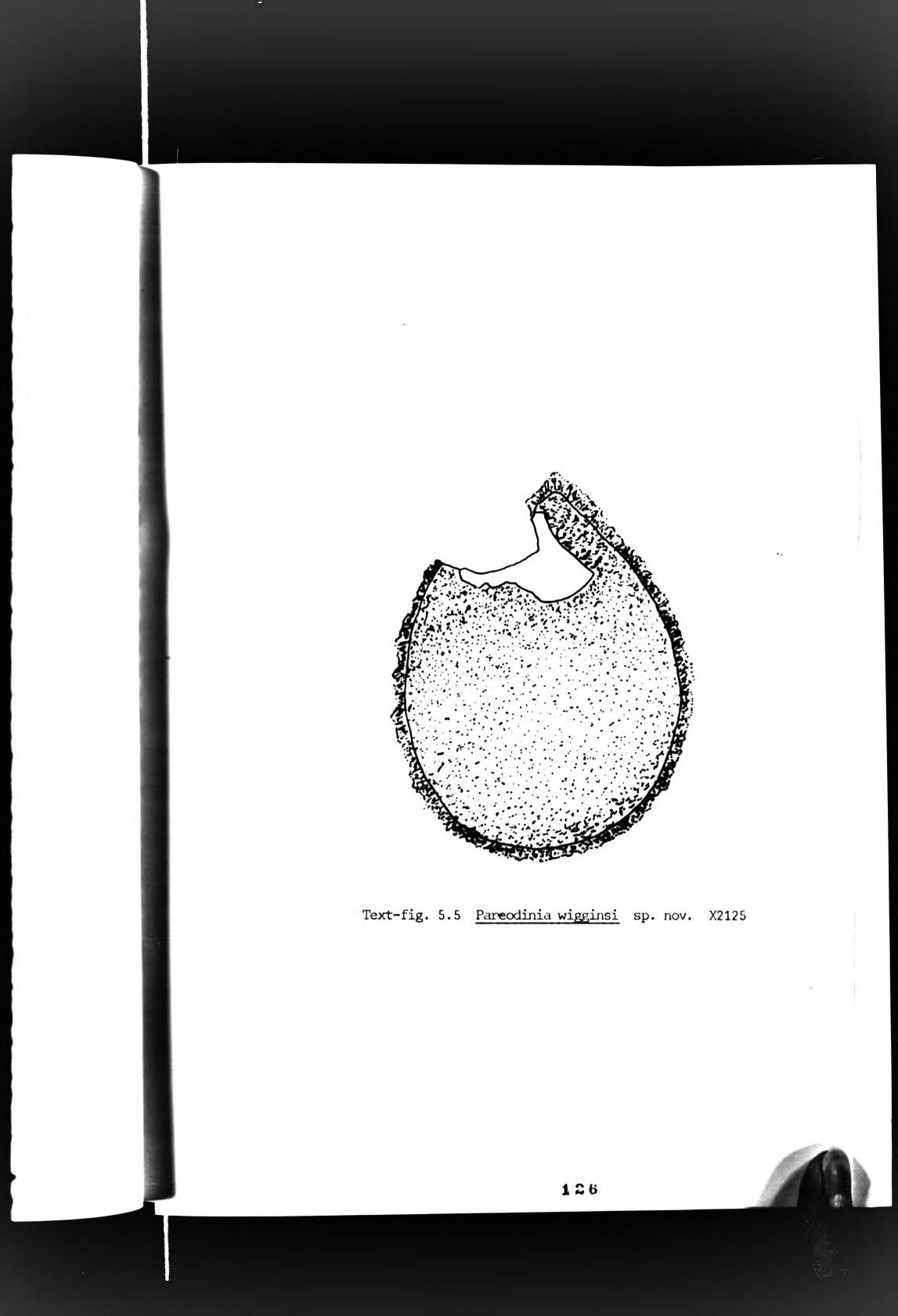
Description A distinctive species of <u>Pareodinia</u> having a small to intermediate size proximate cyst. Subspherical to ovoidal in outline, tapering towards the apex where a low apical protrusion or horn is formed. The overall appearance is 'tear'-shaped. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is very heavily ornamented with coarse granulations giving a fibrous appearance. Because of the thickness of the cyst wall (2-3mu) there is no folding, rather the cyst retains its original shape. Paratabulation is lacking on the main body of the cyst and expressed by the archaeopyle only. Archaeopyle intercalary, type 3I; the operculum is formed by paraplates 1a, 2a and 3a and either free or attached. Where the operculum is completely seperated, the walls of the cyst around the archaeopyle form slits, to give a zigzag principle archaeopyle suture. There is no

kalyptra.

Dimensions Holotype: Overall length of cyst: 52mu Overall width of cyst: 40mu

> Range: Overall length of cyst: 50-60mu Overall width of cyst: 40-50mu (4 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> The coarsely-granular surface ornamentation of the cyst, together with the very low apical horn are characteristic of <u>P.wigginsi</u> sp.nov.



This species is almost certainly that described as '<u>Pareodinia</u> sp.E' by Wiggins (1975, p109; pl.3, figs.6,7). There is however, no rod-like apicular stucture as described by Wiggins, although he states that this feature may or may not be present. The specimens here are also slightly smaller than the two specimens described by Wiggins. The thickness of the cyst wall makes the cyst very robust and specimens are generally well preserved with no dorso-ventral flattening.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.1006 to Br.170 U.Callovian (<u>lamberti</u> / <u>athleta</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>cordatum</u>). Essentially a L.Oxfordian species.

<u>Range</u> U.Callovian (<u>lamberti</u> / <u>athleta</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>cordatum</u>), as recorded herein. Wiggins' <u>Pareodinia</u> sp.E is recorded as U.Jurassic.

> Pareodinia sp.B (Pl.17,fig.19; text-fig. 5.6)

<u>Description</u> A small proximate cyst, elongate-ovoidal in outline, tapering towards the apex to form a short, pointed apical horn. The overall appearance is that of an elongate-droplet. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is thin and ornamented with large granulations in the form of verrucae, scattered irregularly over the entire cyst. Paratabulation expressed by archaeopyle only which is large. Archaeopyle compound intercalary, type ?3I; operculum free.

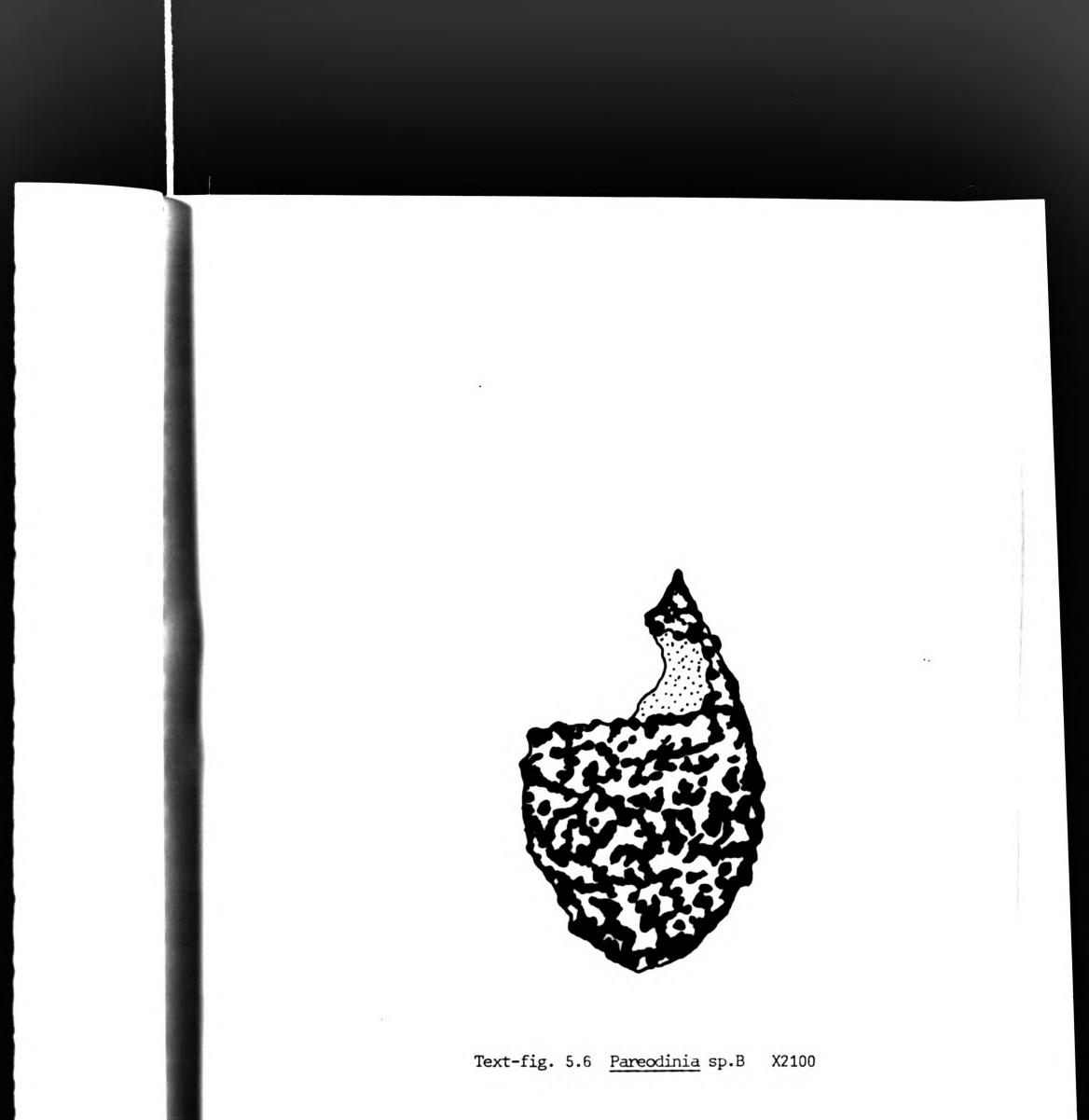
<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 45 mu Overall width of cyst: 26 mu (1 specimen only)

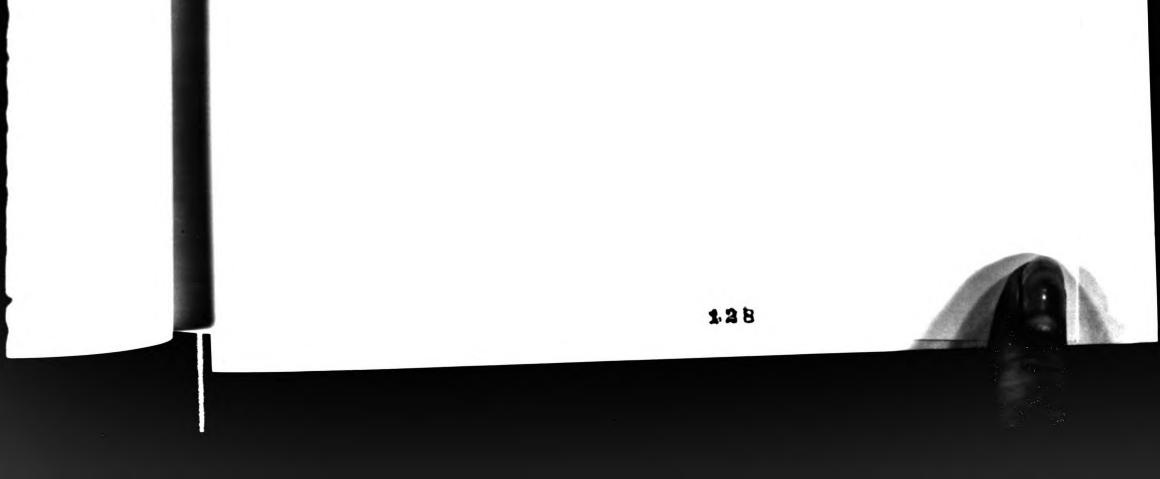
<u>Remarks</u> Although only a single specimen was encountered the broad morphology clearly enables this species to be placed with <u>Pareodinia</u>. It resembles <u>P.verrucosa</u> (Vozzhennikova, 1967) Wiggins, 1975 in its ornamentation but differs in the nature of the apical horn and in lacking paratabulation features and an antapical structure.

Occurrence Warlingham: a single specimen from Br.560, L.Oxfordian (scarburghense).

#### Genus PLURIARVALIUM Sarjeant, 1962b

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximate, ellipsoidal, with an apical horn; paratabulation indicated by low to moderately high parasutural ridges delimiting numerous preapical and posterior intercalary paraplates in addition to precingular, paracingular and postcingular paraplates; archaeopyle intercalary, type I or 3I.





## Type species Pluriarvalium osmingtonense Sarjeant, 1962b

Pluriarvalium osmingtonense Sarjeant, 1962b (Pl.17, figs. 20,21)

1962Ъ	Pluriarvalium osmingtonense Sarjeant: 262
1975	Pareodinia osmingtonense (Sarjeant) Wiggins: 105
1978	Pluriarvalium osmingtonense Sarjeant; Stover & Evitt: 119

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1962b; p262; pl.1,fig.5; text-fig.6

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size proximate cyst, ovoidal in outline with a prominant apical horn. Epicyst and hypocyst are approximately equal. The apical horn is broadly-based and tapers to a point; antapically the cyst is broadly-rounded. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is smooth to finely granular. Paratabulation indicated by low parasutural ridges giving a possible formula: 7acl, 6', 6a, 6", 7c, 7"', 3"", plus a certain number of parasulcal paraplates and posterior intercalary paraplates. Archaeopyle intercalary and may be either type I or 3I. Apicular structure commonly present. Kalyptra occasionally evident and usually fragmental.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 48-57 mu Overall width of cyst: 33-45 mu (4 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>P.osmingtonense</u> is characterised by the complex nature of the pareodiniacean paratabulation, although complete paratabulation is apparently never present on any one cyst, the paratabulation formulae given by Sarjeant, 1962b and Wiggins, 1975 being hypothetical. It superficially resembles <u>Paragonyaulacysta calloviense</u> Johnson & Hills, 1973 but is distinguished by its less-rounded outline and complex paratabulation.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.224, L.Callovian (<u>koenigi</u>); a single specimen. Warlingham: Br.683 to Br.543 L.Oxfordian (<u>scarburghense</u>).

Overall range: L.Callovian (koenigi) to L.Oxfordian (scarburghense).

Range Previously recorded from M.Oxfordian only (Sarjeant, 1979). The range is therefore tentatively extended to the L.Callovian (koenigi).

> Pluriarvalium cf.osmingtonense Sarjeant, 1962b (Pl.17, fig.22)

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size proximate cyst, ovoidal to subquadrate in outline with a prominant apical horn which tapers distally to a point. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is smooth to faintly granular.

Paratabulation expressed by the intercalary archaeopyle only, although indication. of a paracingulum at the cyst's widest point is discernible.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 63 mu Overall width of cyst: 43 mu Length of apical horn: 10 mu (1 specimen only)

<u>Remarks</u> Although surface features are generally lacking, the broad morphology fits the description of <u>Pluriarvalium</u> and is therefore tentatively placed within <u>P.cf.osmingtonense</u>.

Occurrence Warboys: a single specimen from WB.224, L.Callovian (<u>koenigi</u>), with a further questionable occurrence in WB.43, L.Oxfordian (<u>scarburgh-</u> ense).

## Pluriarvalium sp.A (Pl.18, fig.1)

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size proximate cyst, ellipsoidal in outline with a prominant apical horn. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is densely granular. The apical horn is broadly-based and tapers rapidly to a rounded point with an apicular structure; it is hollow and about one-fifth the length of the cyst body. Paratabulation is expressed in the form of pandasutural features, a formula difficult to determine, exactly: ?', 6", Xc, 5-6"', 1"". The archaeopyle is compound intercalary, probably type 3I; operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 70 mu Overall width of cyst: 38 mu Length of apical horn: 15 mu (1 specimen only)

<u>Remarks</u> Although only a single specimen, preservation is good. The coarsely-granular surface and pandasutural features are characteristic. The species is only tentatively placed within <u>Pluriarvalium</u> and is quite probably a new genus.

Occurrence Warboys: a single specimen from WB.228, L.Callovian (kamptus).

Genus POLYSPHAERIDIUM Davey & Williams, 1966

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts skolochorate, body subspherical with numerous hollow, nontabular processes of similar size and shape, which are normally open distally; indications of paratabulation other than

archaeopyle characteristically lacking; archaeopyle apical, type tA.

Type species Polysphaeridium subtile Davey & Williams, 1966 Polysphaeridium deflandrei (Valensi, 1947) Davey & Williams, 1969 (Pl.18, figs. 2-4)

Hystrichosphaeridium deflandrei Valensi: 817 1947 ?Polysphaeridium deflandrei (Valensi) Davey & Williams: 6 1969

Diagnosis Valensi, 1947; p817; text-fig.3

Small skolochorate cyst, subspherical in outline with numer-Description ous processes. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is smooth. Processes are hollow, open distally and stepped to give a 'telescopic' appearance. Minute spines are present at the distal termination of the processes (being orthogonal) and at the stepped point along their length. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only which is apical, type TA and rarely discernible.

Dimensions Diameter of central body: 15-18 mu Length of processes: 4-5 mu (4 specimens measured)

The size and 'telescopic' appearance of the processes dist-Remarks inguish P.deflandrei from other known species of Polysphaeridium. The generic assignment of this species has been questioned by both Davey & Williams (1969) and Stover & Evitt (1978) on the grounds that the apical archaeopyle has never been observed. At least one specimen here (pl.18, fig.2) has an apical archaeopyle with the operculum remaining attached; the generic assignment can therefore be no longer questioned on these grounds.

Warboys: WB.88 to WB.43 (lamberti to scarburghense). Occurrence

Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.140 (calloviense to vertebrale). Overall range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Range Has previously been described from the middle Jurassic only (Sarjeant, 1979). The presence of <u>P.deflandrei</u> here therefore extends the known range to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

#### Genus POLYSTEPHANEPHOROUS Sarjeant, 1961b

Diagnosis Cysts skolochorate, subspherical in outline with groups of processes arising from the autophragm arranged in set patterns at constant intervals over the cyst surface. Processes are

linked distally by ring-trabeculae. Paratabulation possibly expressed by process groups; unknown formula. Archaeopyle unknown.

Type speci	es Polystephanephorous calathus	(Sarjeant, 1961b) Downie & Sarjeant, 1964.
	Polystephanephorous paracalathus (Pl.18, figs.5-8)	(Sarjeant, 1960a) Downie & Sarjeant, 1964.
1960a 1964	Polystephanosphaera paracalathus Polystephanephorous paracalathus	Sarjeant: 143 (Sarjeant) Downie & Sarjeant:141

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1960a; p143; pl.6, fig.4; text-fig.3b

<u>Description</u> Small to intermediate skolochorate cyst with a spherical to subspherical central body. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is smooth and gives rise to a series of groups of processes which are spaced at regular intervals over the cyst body. The processes are hollow, each group containing from 3 to 8 individual processes, linked distally by ring-trabeculae. The ring-trabeculae are formed by the bifurcating of each process at its distal end linking with its neighbouring process, thus forming a ring-like structure which tends to funnel outwards. The whole structure appearing like a skeletal vase with a bell mouth. Each group of processes are linked to their neighbouring group by a trabecula. Paratabulation pressumably expressed by the process-groups; formula uncertain. Archaeopyle type uncertain.

<u>Dimensions</u> Diameter of central body: 37-65 mu Length of processes: 20-23 mu (4 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>P.paracalathus</u> is a distinctive species and is distinguished from <u>P.calathus</u> (Sarjeant, 1961b) Downie & Sarjeant, 1964 by the presence of linking trabeculae between the process-groups. Although the exact nature of the archaeopyle has not been described, at least one specimen here (pl.18, fig.8) exhibits an apical archaeopyle with a somewhat ragged

principle archaeopyle suture.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.224, L.Callovian (<u>koenigi</u>), a single specimen. Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.500 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>scarburghense</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>koenigi</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>scarburghense</u>).

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from M.Callovian (jason) to L.Oxfordian (<u>mariae</u>). The known range is therefore extended to L.Callovian (<u>koenigi</u>) on the basis of this study.

Genus	PROLIXOSPHAERIDIUM Davey et.al., 1966 emend. Davey, 1969		
Diagnosis	nosis Cysts proximochorate to skolochorate, body elongate ellipsoidal		
	with numerous nontabular processes that are normally simple and		
	closed distally; archaeopyle apical, type $\overline{tA}$ .		
Type specie	es Prolixosphaeridium parvispinum (Cookson & Eisenack, 1958) Davey et.al., 1966		
	Prolixosphaeridium granulosum (Deflandre, 1937) Davey et.al., (Pl.18, figs.9-12)		
1937 1960	Hystrichosphaeridium xanthiopyxides van granulosum Deflandre:29 Baltisphaeridium xanthiopyxides van granulosum (Deflandre)		
1962Ъ 1966	Klement: 59 Baltisphaeridium granulosum (Deflandre) Sarjeant: 264 Prolixosphaeridium granulosum (Deflandre) Davey et.al: 172		
Diagnosis	Deflandre, 1937; p29; pl.16, fig.4		

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size, proximate cyst; elongate-ellipsoidal in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is granulose and gives rise to a number of nontabular processes. Processes are simple, acuminate and closed distally; they may be either straight or slightly sinuous. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only which is apical, type  $\overline{tA}$ ; operculum free to attached.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 40-57 mu Overall width of cyst: 27-36 mu Length of processes: 11-15 mu (8 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>P.granulosum</u> is distinguished from all other species of <u>Prolixosphaeridium</u> by the nature and number of the nontabular processes and the finely-granular texture of the cyst wall. Specimens are generally well preserved, often with the operculum attached. Where the operculum is free, the principle archaeopyle suture is zigzag.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.88 to WB.23 (lamberti to praecordatum).

Warlingham: Br.785 to Br.115 (<u>scarburghense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). Overall range: U.Callovian (<u>lamberti</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>).

Range Previously described from Middle Jurassic to Lower Cretaceous (? Lower Eccene).

## Genus <u>REUTLINGIA</u> Drugg, 1978

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cyst small and ovoidal with a deeply incised paracingulum. The parasulcus is clearly expressed. Broad based acuminate spines crudely delineate a paratabulation which is seemingly **133**  1', 5", Oc, 5"', 1"". The archaeopyle is probably apical. (From Drugg, 1978, p72)

Type species Reutlingia gochtii Drugg, 1978

Reutlingia gochtii Drugg, 1978 (Pl.18, figs.13-15)

Diagnosis Drugg, 1978; p72; pl.7, fig. 7-10

<u>Description</u> Small proximate cyst, ovoidal to rectangular in outline with a deeply-incised paracingulm. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is smooth and gives rise to a series of broadly-based acuminate projections about 4mu in length and open to the interior of the cyst. Some specimens exhibit clusters of projections which are connected proximally. Paratabulation is probably 1', 5", 0c, 5"', 1"". Archaeopyle is apparently apical.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 28 mu Overall width of cyst: 23 mu (2 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> During examination of material, <u>R.gochtii</u> was originally recorded as 'algae', either present or absent. Its affinities to a dinoflagellate cyst was not recognised until Drugg's paper of 1978 was investigated. <u>R.gochtii</u> is recorded as present or absent for range-chart purposes. (The exact location of the figured specimens is unknown).

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Occurrence

Warboys: WB.211 to WB.88 (medea to lamberti).

Warlingham: Br.1723 to Br.500 (medea to scarburghense). Overall range: M.Callovian (medea) to L.Oxfordian (scarburghense).

<u>Range</u> Drugg (1978) records <u>R.gochtii</u> from U.Callovian (<u>athleta</u>) only. The known range is therefore extended to: M.Callovian (<u>medea</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>scarburghense</u>). The occurrence here also marks the first record of <u>R.gochtii</u> from Great Britain.

Genus SCRINIOCASSIS Gocht, 1964

Diagnosis Cysts proximate, holocavate, subspherical to ellipsoidal; space between autophragm and ectophragm occupied by an imperfect reticulation; height of muri varies; archaeopyle precingular, exact type uncertain; apparently specimens with type P, 2P or possibly 3P included in the genus.

Type species Scriniocassis weberi Gocht, 1964

Scriniocassis dictyotus (Cookson & Eisenack, 1960) Beju, 1971 (Pl.19, figs.1-4)

# 1960Scriniodinium dictyotumCookson & Eisenack: 2481971Scriniocassis dictyotus(Cookson & Eisenack) Beju: 299

Diagnosis Cookson & Eisenack, 1960; p248; pl.37, fig.9

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large holocavate cyst, subspherical to ovoidal in outline. Space between wall layers occupied by irregular reticulum giving a 'honeycomb' appearance. Ectophragm smooth or faintly ornamented, often extended to form a broadly-based, blunt, short apical projection. Broad paracingulum dividing cyst into two equal halves. Archeopyle precingular, type P; operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 81-88 mu Overall width of cyst: 78-86 mu (4 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens identify closely with the original diagnosis of Cookson & Eisenack (1960), although are slightly smaller here. <u>S.dictyotus</u> differs from <u>Sciniodinium crystallinum</u> (Deflandre, 1938) Klement, 1960 in possessing the supporting reticulum between wall layers.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.465 to Br.214, L.Oxfordian (<u>scarburghense</u> to praecordatum).

Range Callovian to Kimmeridgian (Sarjeant, 1979)

Genus SCRINIODINIUM Klement, 1957

Synonym Endoscrinium (Klement, 1960) Vozzhennikova, 1967

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximate, generally circumcavate, lenticular to subellipsoidal, with or without an apical horn and/or a medial antapical elongation; paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle and paracingulum, additionally by low parasutural ridges on some forms; archeopyle precingular, type P.

Type species Scriniodinium crystallinum (Deflandre, 1938) Klement, 1960

Scriniodinium crystallinum (Deflandre, 1938) Klement, 1960 (Pl.19, figs.5,6; Pl.20, figs.1-4)

1938Gymnoidinium crystallinumDeflandre: 1651960Scriniodinium crystallinum(Deflandre) Klement: 18

Diagnosis Deflandre, 1938; p165; pl.5, figs.1-3

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large, holocavate cyst; lenticular to subellipsoidal, 'kite'-shaped in outline, with a subspherical central body. Endophragm and periphragm distinct, smooth, with a cavity between the two layers; cavity usually larger apically and antapically, forming short,

broadly-rounded protrusions. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle and paracingulum only. Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only); operculum free. Paracingulum broad and deep, dividing the cyst into two equal halves.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 71-90 mu Overall width of cyst: 58-80 mu (9 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> A distinctive species, usually well preserved.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.88 to WB.18 (<u>lamberti</u> to <u>praecordatum</u>). Warlingham: Br.884 to Br.115 (<u>lamberti/athleta</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>).

Overall range: U.Callovian (lamberti) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Range L.Callovian to L.Kimmeridgian (Sarjeant, 1979).

# Scriniodinium cf. crystallinum (Deflandre, 1938) Klement, 1960 (Pl.19, figs.7-9)

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size, holocavate cyst, ovoidal to subellipsoidal in outline. Cyst wall consists of endophragm and periphragm with a narrow cavity between the two layers. A larger cavity is often formed apically and usually antapically. Surface of endophragm appears to be irregularly reticulate or granular. Periphragm smooth. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle and paracingulum only. Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only). Paracingulum fairly broad, dividing the cyst into two equal halves.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 65-72 mu Overall width of cyst: 52-67 mu (4 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Similar to <u>S.crystallinum</u> in gross morphology but differs in the surface ornamentation of the endophragm and in being slightly smaller.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.178 (lower athleta) only.

Warlingham: Br.1330 to Br.443 (athleta to praecordatum).

Overall range: U.Callovian (athleta) to L.Oxfordian (praecordatum).

Scriniodinium galeritum (Deflandre, 1938) Klement, 1960 (Pl.20, figs.5-7)

1938	Gymnoidinium galeritum	
1960	Scriniodinium galeritum	(Deflandre) Klement: 22

Diagnosis Deflandre, 1938; p167; pl.5, figs. 7-9; pl.6, fig. 1



<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large proximate cyst, holocavate in form, lenticular to subquadrate in outline. Endophragm broadly-rounded, smooth; periphragm thin and faintly to coarsely granular, extended apically and antapically to form short, broadly-based, rounded extensions with larger cavities. Paratabulation indicated by fold-like crests on periphragm, to give apparent formula: 3-?4', 6'', 5''', 0p, 0''''. Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only); operculum free. Paracingulum indicated by parallel, transverse, parasutural ridges, generally shallow and dividing the cyst into two unequal halves; the epicyst forming about one-third and the hypocyst about two-thirds of the total cyst.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 74-113 mu Overall width of cyst: 61-101 mu (13 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>S.galeritum</u> is distinguished from <u>S.crystallinum</u> (Deflandre, 1938) Klement, 1960 by the characteristically granular periphragm and folded parasutural crests. Specimens are particularly well-preserved.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.18 (kamptus to praecordatum). Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.115 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>kamptus</u>) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Range L.Callovian (?Bajocian) to L.Kimmeridgian (Sarjeant, 1979).

Scriniodinium luridum (Deflandre, 1938) Klement, 1960 (Pl.21, figs.2,3)

1938Gymnoidinium luridumDeflandre: 1661960Scriniodinium luridum(Deflandre) Klement: 20

Diagnosis Deflandre, 1938; p166; pl.5, figs. 4-6

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size holocavate cyst, broadly-rounded to subquadrate in outline. Endophragm rounded and smooth; periphragm thin, faintly granular with large ellipsoidal perforations. Periphragm slightly extended apically to form a short, angular, truncated protrusion; antapically to form a slightly broader, truncated protrusion. Paratabulation indicated by very low parasutural crests, formula: 3-?4', 6", 5"', 1p, 0"". Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only); operculum free. Paracingulum and parasulcus faintly discernible.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 62-71 mu Overall width of cyst: 65-90 mu (3 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Characterised by its broadly-rounded to subquadrate outline and large perforations in the periphragm. The antapical protrusion is also distinctive.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.246 to Br.115 L.Oxfordian (corsticardia) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Range Previously described from M.Callovian to L.Kimmeridgian (Sarjeant, 1979).

## Scriniodinium subvallare Sarjeant, 1962b (Pl.21, figs.4-7; Pl.22, fig.1)

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1962b; p262; pl.1,fig.10; text-fig.7

<u>Description</u> Small to intermediate proximate cyst, holocavate in form, rounded to polygonal in outline. Endophragm smooth to granular; periphragm smooth with large, isolated perforations. Periphragm often extended apically to form a short spine with a secondary pointed spine distally. Paratabulation indicated by high, striated, denticulate crests, formula: ?4', 6", 6"', 0p, 0-?1"". Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only); operculum free. Paracingulum narrow, laevorotatory; parasulcus wide.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 55-68 mu Overall width of cyst: 55-67 mu (6 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> A distinctive species of <u>Scriniodinium</u>, the yellowish-brown body colour being characteristic. Specimens identify closely with the original diagnosis of Sarjeant (1962b) although he fails to describe any apical structure; he also records no antapical paraplate (1"") which is clearly present in some specimens here. <u>S.subvallare</u> is distinguished from <u>S.luridum</u> (Deflandre, 1938) Klement, 1960 by its characteritically high, striate, denticulate parasutural crests.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.183 to WB.18 (lower <u>athleta</u> to <u>praecordatum</u>). Warlingham: Br.976 to Br.246 (<u>athleta</u> to <u>corsticardia</u>). Overall range: U.Callovian (<u>athleta</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>corsticardia</u>).

<u>Range</u> Previously described from middle and upper Oxfordian (Sarjeant, 1962b and 1979). The range is therefore extended to U.Callovian (<u>athleta</u>) on the basis of the present study.

## Scriniodinium sp.A (Pl.20, fig.8; Pl.22, figs.3,4)

#### 1978 Endoscrinium sp Muir & Sarjeant: 202

<u>Description</u> Small to intermediate size proximate cyst, holocavate in form, subpolygonal to rhomboidal in outline. Endophragm smooth to finelygranular, roundly reflecting the periphragm in shape. Periphragm smooth, with short apical horn which is broadly-based, surmounted by a secondary spine. A broadly-rounded antapical protrusion is developed. Paratabulation indicated by high, denticulate parasutural crests; formula: 4', 0a, 6", 6-?7c, 5"', 1p, 1"". Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only); operculum free. Paracingulum narrow, stongly laevorotatory. Parasulcus fairly broad.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 54-58 mu Overall width of cyst: 43-52 mu (3 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Three specimens only were encountered, two of which are poorlypreserved. The well-preserved specimen (pl.20, fig.8) is almost identical with <u>Endoscrinium</u> sp. of Muir & Sarjeant (1978). It is broadly similar to <u>S.subvallare</u> Sarjeant, 1962b but differs in having a more complex paratabulation. The 'false archaeopyle' recorded by Muir & Sarjeant, occurring on paraplates other than 3" are also seen here, although it seems more likely that these are areas where the endophragm and periphragm come into contact.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.1006 to Br.194, U.Callovian (<u>athleta</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>praecordatum</u>), three specimens only.

Range The specimens recorded by Muir & Sarjeant (1978) are from the M.Callovian (coronatum).

Scrniodinium sp.B (Pl.22, fig.2)

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size cavate cyst, subquadrate in outline. Endophragm finely granulate; periphragm smooth and seperated from the endophragm apically and antapically. Projections are formed apically and antapically by an extension of the periphragm; broadly rounded antapically and more pointed apically. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle and paracingulum only. Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only); operculum free. Paracingulum faintly discernible at mid point on the cyst.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 65 mu Overall width of cyst: 55 mu (1 specimen only) **139**  <u>Remarks</u> <u>Scriniodinium</u> sp B differs from <u>Scriniodinium</u> sp.A in lacking paratabulation features. It may be a distorted form of <u>S.luridum</u> (Deflandre, 1938) Klement, 1960.

Occurrence Warlingham: a single specimen only from Br.1006, U.Callovian (<u>athleta</u>).

Genus <u>SENONIASPHAERA</u> Clarke & Verdier, 1967

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximate, circumcavate, lenticular to compressed peridinioid; lateral protrusions may be present; paratabulation probably gonyaulacacean, indicated **inco**mpletely by parasutural features; archaeopyle apical, type TA; parasulcal notch offset.

Type species Senoniasphaera protrusa Clarke & Verdier, 1967

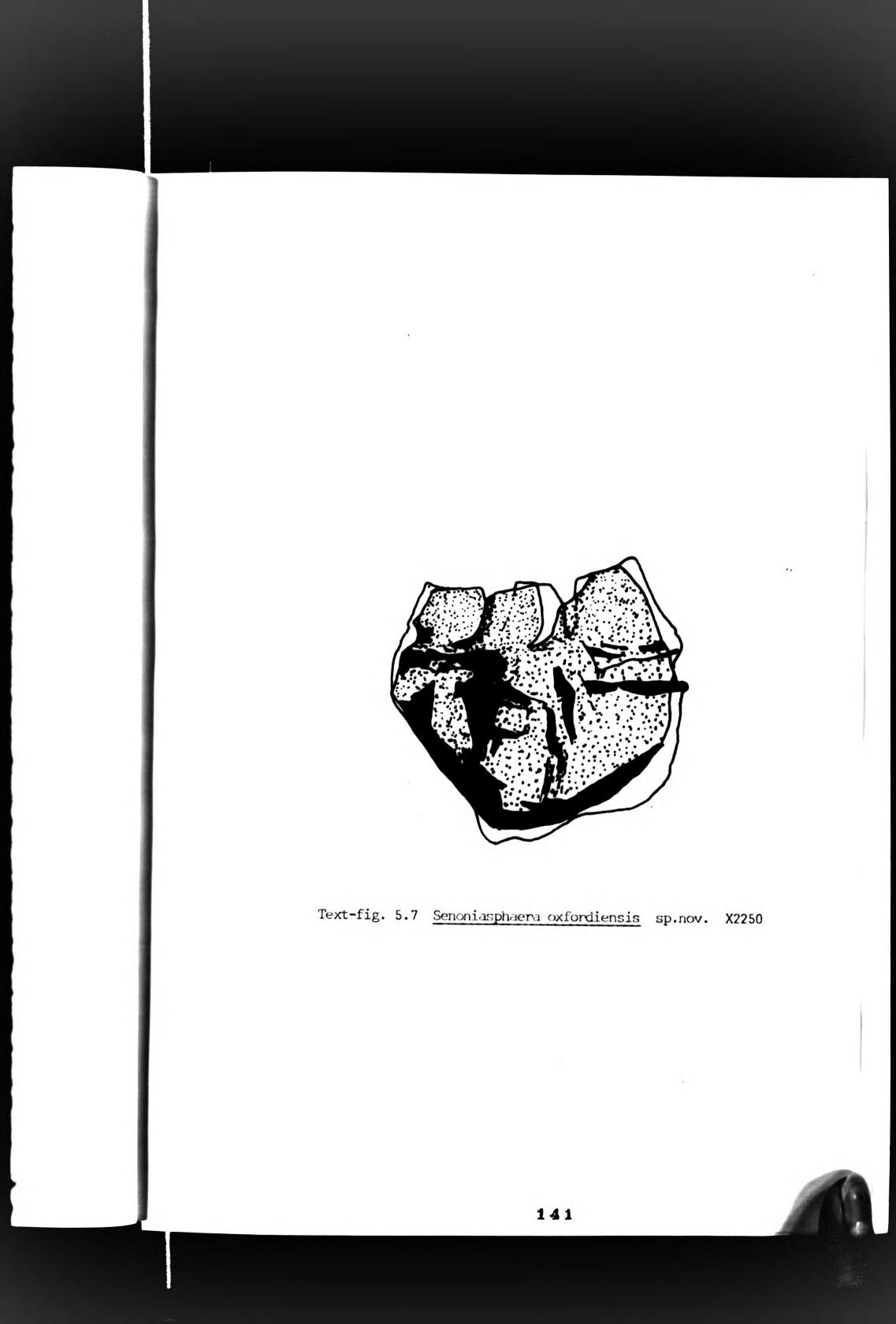
Senoniasphaera oxfordiensis sp. nov. (P1.22, figs.5-8; text-fig. 5.7)

Derivation of name: After the Oxfordian Stage, from which this species was first recorded.

Holotype: Sample Br.683; slide Br.683a; 165/1284 (R482). Lower Oxfordian (<u>scarburghense</u>), Warlingham Borehole. Plate 22, figs.6a,b; text-fig. 5.7

<u>Diagnosis</u> Small proximate cyst, circumcavate in form, broadly-rounded to subcircular in outline. Endophragm finely granular; periphragm smooth not usually extended antapically. Paratabulation incomplete, probably gonyaulacacean, indicated by parasutural features and apical archaeopyle. Archaeopyle apical, type tA with zigzag principle archaeopyle suture and parasulcal notch; operculum free. Paracingulum broad.

A small species of Senoniasphaera having a proximate cyst, Description circumcavate in form. The outline is broadly-rounded to subcircular, usually lacking any apical or antapical structures, although a few specimens tentatively assigned to this species exhibit a short, broad antapical projection (Pl.22, fig.5). Apex lost in archaeopyle formation. The cyst wall consists of two layers, the inner endophragm is finely granular in texture; the outer periphragm smooth and thinner; the two layers lie in close proximity to each other so that only a narrow cavity is formed. Paratabulation is present but incompletely expressed by parasutural features; six precingular paraplates are usually discernible; parasutural features on the hypocyst are vague and inconsistent. The archaeopyle is apical, type tA; principle archaeopyle suture is zigzag with an offset parasulcal notch. The operculum is free and possibly consists of four apical paraplates. A paracingulum is always present and usually broad (5mu in holotype), occurring at the mid-point on the cyst. 140



Dimensions	Holotype:	Overall length of cyst:	33mu
		Overall width of cyst:	37mu
		Width of paracingulum:	5mu
	Range:	Overall length of cyst:	33-55mu
	13	Overall width of cyst:	37-53mu
		(5 specimens measured)	

<u>Remarks</u> <u>S.oxfordiensis</u> sp.nov., is unlike previously described species of <u>Senoniasphaera</u> in that it typically lacks development of apical and antapical structures. However, the Kimmeridgian species <u>S.jurassica</u> (Gitmez & Sarjeant, 1972) Lentin & Williams, 1976, although morphologically similar, is in fact almost twice the size of <u>S.oxfordiensis</u>. It is possible that <u>S.oxfordiensis</u> may be ancestral to <u>S.jurassica</u>. Specimens are generally well preserved, although the operculum is consistently lost in archaeopyle formation.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.693 to Br.115, L.Oxfordian (<u>scarburghense</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>).

Range L.Oxfordian (scarburghense) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale), as recorded herein.

Genus <u>SENTUSIDINIUM</u> Sarjeant & Stover, 1978

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximate to proximochorate; subspherical autophragm bears numerous short, generally evenly distributed, normally isolated, nontabular projections; archaeopyle apical, type tA.

Type species Sentusidinium rioultii (Sarjeant, 1968) Sarjeant & Stover, 1978

Sentusidinium rioultii (Sarjeant, 1968) Sarjeant & Stover, 1978 (Pl22, figs.14-17)

1968 <u>Tenua rioultii</u> Sarjeant: 231 1978 <u>Sentusidinium rioultii</u> (Sarjeant) Sarjeant & Stover: 50

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1968; p231; pl.1, figs. 12, 22; pl.2, figs. 1, 2, 4

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size proximate cyst, broadly-ovoidal in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only, bearing numerous, well-spaced, nontabular spines which vary in length although are generally quite short. The spines vary in both thickness and form; they may be capitate, bifurcate, trifurcate etc. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only which is apical, type tA. Principle archaeopyle suture zigzag. Paracingulum sometimes faintly discernible.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 45-70 mu

Overall width of cyst: 50-76 mu (9 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>S.rioultii</u> is differentiated from <u>S.villersense</u> (Sarjeant, 1968) Sarjeant & Stover, 1978 in having fewer spines which are greater in length and more variable in character.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.18 (<u>kamptus</u> to <u>praecordatum</u>). Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.115 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>).

Overall range: L.Callovian (kamptus) to M.Oxfordian (praecordatum).

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from U.Bathonian to L.Oxfordian (Sarjeant, 1979). The range is therefore extended to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>) on the basis of this study.

Sentusidinium pilosum (Ehrenberg, 1843) Sarjeant & Stover, 1978 (Pl.22, figs.9-13)

1843	Xanthidium pilosum Ehrenberg: 61
1904	Ovum hispidum (Xanthidium) pilosum (Ehrenberg) Lohmann: 21
1933	Hystrichosphaera pilosa (Ehrenberg) 0.Wetzel: 43
1937	Hystrichosphaeridium pilosum (Ehrenberg) Deflandre: 79
1961a	Baltisphæridium pilosum (Ehrenberg) Sarjeant: 101
1966	Cleistosphæridium pilosum (Ehrenberg) Davey et.al: 170
1968	Tenua pilosa (Ehrenberg) Sarjeant: 231
1978	Sentusidinium pilosum (Ehrenberg) Sarjeant & Stover: 50

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1968; p231; pl.2,fig.7

<u>Description</u> Small proximate cyst, elongate-ovoidal to ellipsoidal in outline. Apex generally lost in archaeopyle formation. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only with numerous, evenly-distributed, isolated, nontabular spines which are short, tapering distally where they are pointed or capitate and always closed. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only. Archaeopyle apical, type  $\overline{tA}$ ; principle archaeopyle suture zigzag; operculum free to attached.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 25-48mu Overall width of cyst: 30-40mu (6 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> A characteristic and readily recognisable species of <u>Sentusi-</u> <u>dinium</u>. The small size and ellipsoidal outline are characteristic.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.224 to WB.18 (<u>kamptus</u> to <u>praecordatum</u>). Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.118 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>kamptus</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>).

Range Previously described from M.Callovian (coronatum) to

U.Kimmeridgian (Sarjeant, 1979). The known range is therefore extended to L.Callovian (kamptus) on the basis of this study.

> Sentusidinium varispinosum (Sarjeant, 1959) Sarjeant & Stover, 1978 (Pl.22, figs.18,19; Pl.23,fig.1)

1959	Baltisphaeridium varispinosum Sarjeant: 338
1972	Tenua varispinosa (Sarjeant) Sarjeant: 43
1978	Sentusidinium varispinosum (Sarjeant) Sarjeant & Stover: 50

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1959; p338; pl.13, fig.7; text-fig.6

An intermediate size, proximate to proximochorate cyst, Description spherical in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is covered in numerous spines which vary from about one-quarter to one-third of the cyst-diameter in length. The spines are nontabular and may be either single or branched; they taper distally where they may be either bifurcate or trifurcate. Paratabulation entirely lacking, although an apical archaeopyle may be present.

Overall cyst diameter: 40-42 mu Dimensions Overall length of spines: 5-11 mu (4 specimens measured)

S.varispinosum is characterised by its long spines which Remarks vary in length, and may in this respect be differentiated from S.rioultii (Sarjeant, 1968) Sarjeant & Stover, 1978.

Warboys: WB.228 to WB.148 (kamptus to middle athleta). Occurrence

Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.465 (calloviense to scarburghense). Overall range: L.Callovian (kamptus) to L.Oxfordian (scarburghense).

Previously recorded from U.Bathonian to L.Callovian (?L.Bath-Range onian to ?L.Oxfordian)(Sarjeant, 1979).

Sentusidinium verrucosum (Sarjeant, 1968) Sarjeant & Stover, 1978 (Pl.23, figs.2,3)

1968 Tenua verrucosa Sarjeant: 232 1978 Sentusidinium verrucosum (Sarjeant) Sarjeant & Stover: 50

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1968; p232; pl.1, fig. 17; pl2, figs. 3, 6

Small proximate cyst, spherical to broadly-ovoidal in outline. Description Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is ornamented with dense granulations each bearing a very short (less than 1mu) spine and giving a 'warty' appearance. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only which is apical, type tA; principle archaeopyle suture zigzag.

Dimensions Overall length of cyst: 45-50 mu Overall width of cyst: 45-55 mu (4 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> The 'warty'-like appearance of the surface granulations is distinctive.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.212 to WB.138 (enodatum to middle athleta).

Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.500 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>scarburghense</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>enodatum</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>scarburghense</u>).

Range Previously recorded from Upper (?Lower) Callovian to Lower (?Middle Oxfordian).

## Sentusidinium villersense (Sarjeant, 1968) Sarjeant & Stover, (Pl.23, fig.4) 1978

1961a	Baltisphaeridium fimbricatum Sarjeant: 102
1968	Tenua villersense Sarjeant: 231
1978	Sentusidinium villersense (Sarjeant) Sarjeant & Stover: 50

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1968; p231; pl.1,fig.16; pl.2,figs.5,10

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size proximate cyst, spheroidal to broadlyovoidal in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which bears numerous, short, well-spaced spines. The spines are nontabular, slender and of a constant length, usually capitate or bifurcate distally. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only which is apical, type TA; operculum free; principle archaeopyle suture zigzag.

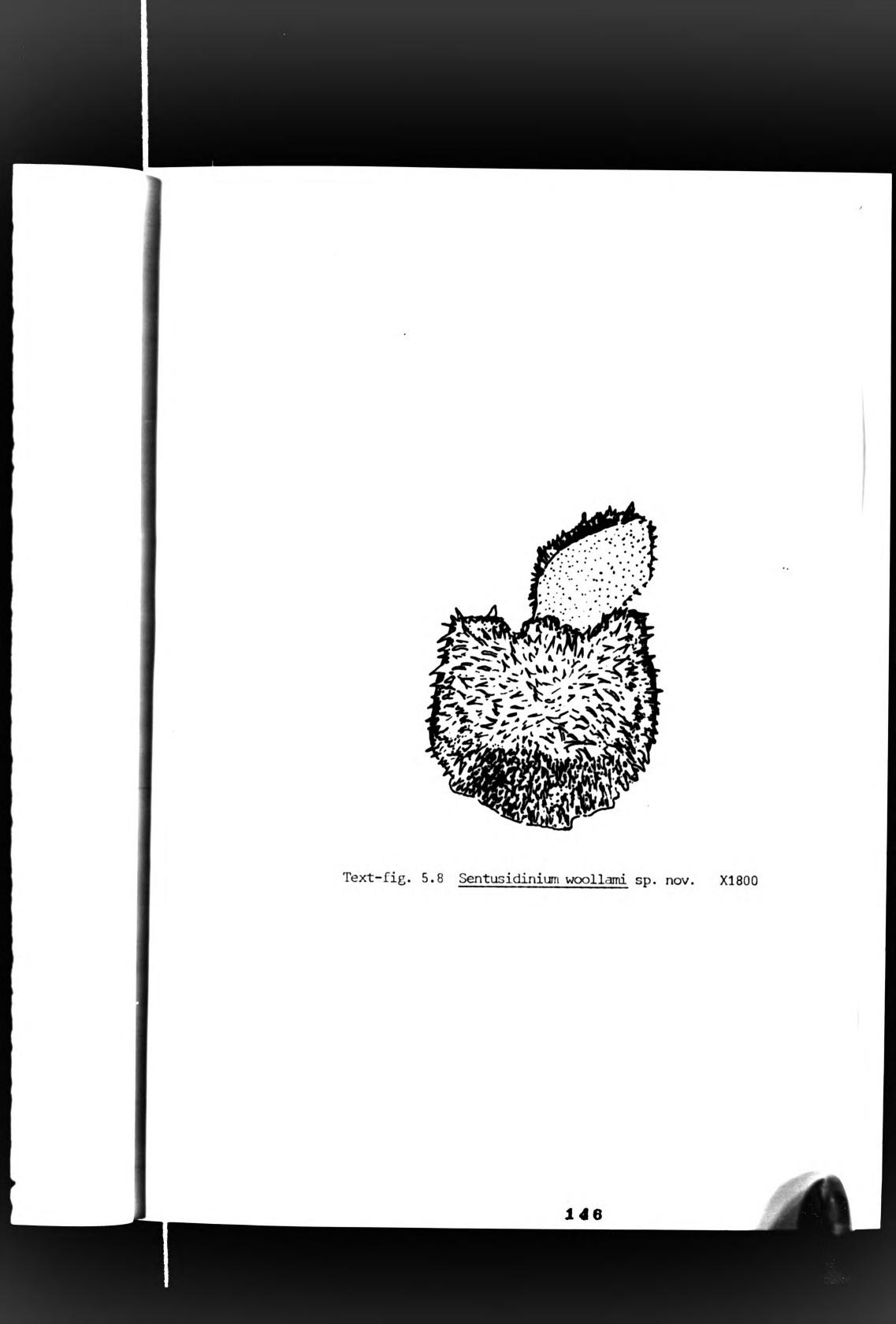
<u>Dimensions</u> Overall diameter of cyst: 50mu (1 specimen only measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>S.villersense</u> is broadly similar to <u>S.rioultii</u> (Sarjeant, 1968) Sarjeant & Stover, 1978 but has less-variable spines which are shorter in length.

OccurrenceWarboys: WB.218 to WB.168 (calloviense to lower athleta).<br/>Warlingham: Br.1880 (calloviense); a single specimen only.Overall range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to U.Callovian (lower athleta).RangeU.Bathonian to L.Oxfordian (Sarjeant, 1979).

<u>Sentusidinium woollamii</u> sp. nov. (Pl.23, figs.5-7; text-fig. 5.8)

1977 <u>Tenua</u> n.sp. Woollam: 82



Derivation of name: After Mr. R.Woollam of the Institute of Geological Sciences, who first recorded this species.

Holotype: Sample WB.78, Slide WB.78a; 145/1418 (0344). Lower Oxfordian (scarburghense), Warboys Borehole. Plate 23, figs.5a,b; text-fig. 5.8

A small species of Sentusidinium, proximate in form, ellip-Diagnosis soidal to subspherical in outline. Autophragm only, covered with numerous dense, thick, short and simple spines, pointed distally. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only which is apical, type  $\overline{tA}$ ; principle archaeopyle suture zigzag; operculum free to attached.

Description A small proximate cyst, subspherical to ellipsoidal in outline although the apex is truncated due to archaeopyle formation. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is fairly thick and bears a dense covering of short, nontabular spines, about 2-3mu in length. The spines are simple, acuminate and taper rapidly towards a point distally where they are closed. Paratabulation entirely lacking except for the archaeopyle. The archaeopyle is apical, type  $\overline{tA}$ , having a zigzag principle archaeopyle suture. The operculum is free to attached.

Dimensions Holotype: Overall length of cyst: 40mu Overall width of cyst: 34mu Range: Overall length of cyst: 30-40mu Overall width of cyst: 32-34mu (4 specimens measured)

Remarks A very distinctive species of Sentusidinium which superficially resembles S.pilosum (Ehrenberg, 1843) Sarjeant & Stover, 1978, but is distinguished from it by the nature of the nontabular spines which are shorter and less slender in S.woollami sp. nov. Specimens are generally well preserved due to the robust nature of the cyst. Specimens here are slightly larger than those described by Woollam, 1977.

Warboys: WB.148 to WB.18 (middle athleta to praecordatum). Occurrence Warlingham: Br.976 to Br.560 (lamberti/athleta to scarburghense).

Overall range: U.Callovian (middle athleta) to L.Oxfordian (praecordatum).

Woollam (1977) records this species from U.Callovian (middle Range athleta) to L.Oxfordian (scarburghense); the range is therefore extended to L.Oxfordian (praecordatum).

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## Sentusidinium sp.A (Pl.23, figs.8-10; text-fig.5.9)

<u>Description</u> A small to intermediate size, proximochorate cyst, subspherical to subovoidal in outline with apex truncated due to archaeopyle formation. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only giving rise to numerous nontabular processes. The processes are variable in form and length (6-10mu)and may be either isolated, or randomly arranged in annular, arcuate or linear groups being connected proximally; they may either be entire or branched, bifurcate or trifurcate; distally they are usually capitate. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only which is apical, type  $\overline{tA}$ ; operculum free. Principle archaeopyle suture zigzag.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 40-45 mu Overall width of cyst: 42-47 mu Length of spines: 6-10 mu (3 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> A rather distinctive species of <u>Sentusidinium</u> characterised by its very variable spines, particularly by the development of annular, arcuate and linear groups of spines; these features distinguish it from all other known species of <u>Sentusidinium</u>. It superficially resembles <u>Syst</u>-<u>ematophora</u> but the processes here are shorter and lack any anastomosing branches.

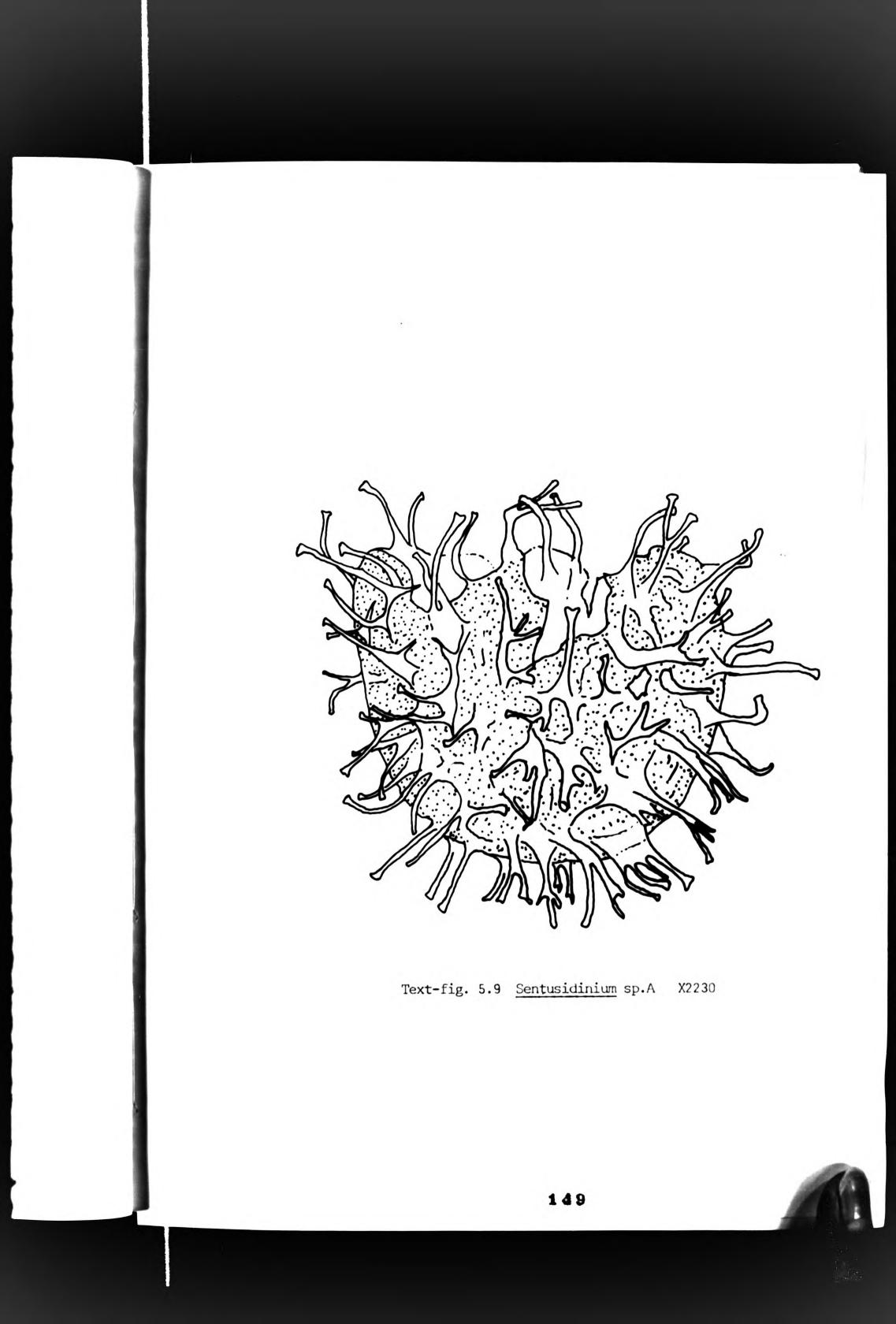
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Occurrence Warlingham: Br.1229 to Br.292 U.Callovian (<u>athleta</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>bulowskii</u>).

<u>Sentusidinium</u> sp.B (Pl.23, figs.13,16,17)

<u>Description</u> A small proximate cyst, broadly ellipsoidal in outline with apex truncated in archaeopyle formation. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which gives rise to numerous, very short, well-spaced spines which are variable and often resemble verrucae; when examined closely, the spines are very short and simple, acuminate or capitate distally. Paratabulation is indicated by archaeopyle only which is apical, type  $t\bar{A}$ ; operculum free to attached; principle archaeopyle suture zigzag, often deeply incised and indicating six precingular paraplates.

Dimensions Overall length of cyst: 30-40 mu Overall width of cyst: 37-40 mu (4 specimens measured)



<u>Remarks</u> <u>Sentusidinium</u> sp.B closely resembles <u>Sentusidinium</u> sp.D of Fensome, 1979 (p18, pl2,fig.3; text-figs.7a-c), in all aspects except for the nature of the spines which appear to be more variable in Fensome's specimens.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.605, L.Callovian (<u>calloviense</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>scarburghense</u>).

#### Sentusidinium sp.C (Pl.23,fig.18)

<u>Description</u> A small proximate cyst, spheroidal in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which gives rise to numerous nontabular spines about one-tenth of the central body diameter in length. The spines are fairly broad, capitate distally and appear to be connected at their bases. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only, type ?tA.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall diameter of cyst: 30mu Length of spines: 3mu (1 specimen only)

<u>Pemarks</u> Although only a single specimen was recovered, it clearly belongs to <u>Sentusidinium</u>. Morphologically it exhibits similarities with <u>Sentusidinium</u> sp.A, but is considerably smaller.

<u>Occurrence</u> Warlingham: Br.1155, a single specimen only from U.Callovian (<u>athleta</u>).

## Sentusidinium sp.D (Pl.24, figs.1-3)

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size proximate cyst, ovoidal in outline with apex truncate due to archaeopyle formation. Cyst wall consists of autopragm only which is thin, giving rise to numerous very small spines or verrucae. Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only which is apical, type  $\overline{tA}$ ; principle archaeopyle suture zigzag, indicating six precingular paraplates. Operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 50-60 mu Overall width of cyst: 50-71 mu (3 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> In its shape and lack of paracingulum, <u>Sentusidinium</u> sp.D resembles certain species of <u>Chytroeisphaeridia</u>; however, its possession of

an apical rather than precingular archaeopyle clearly identifies it as a species of <u>Sentusidinium</u>. In its broad morphology it is similar to <u>Sentusidinium</u> sp.B of Fensome, 1979, but is somewhat smaller and possesses a thinner autophragm

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.884 to Br.465 U.Callovian (<u>lamberti/athleta</u>) to L.Oxfordian (scarburghense).

## Sentusidinium sp.F (Pl.23, figs.11,12)

<u>Description</u> An intermediate size proximate cyst, broadly ovoidal to ellipsoidal in outline; apex truncate due to archaeopyle formation. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is fairly thick and covered in dense, very short spines (resembling verrucae). Paratabulation indicated by archaeopyle only which is apical, type TA; principle archaeopyle suture zigzag, indicating six precingular paraplates. Operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 30-62 mu Overall width of cyst: 37-65 mu (4 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> This species is morphologically similar to <u>Sentusidinium</u> sp.D but differs in possessing a much thicker autophragm and more dense covering of spines in the form of granulations.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.108 (upper <u>athleta</u>). Warlingham: Br.1655 to Br.246 (<u>obductum</u> to <u>corsticardia</u>). Overall range: M.Callovian (<u>obductum</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>corsticardia</u>).

?Sentusidinium sp.
(Pl.23, figs.14,15)

Description A small proximate cyst, spheroidal in outline. Cyst wall

consists of autophragm only which is thin and often folded. The surface of the cyst is covered with numerous, short, well-spaced spines, approximately one-twelth of the central body diameter in length; capitate distally. No indication of paratabulation features or archaeopyle development.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall diameter of cyst: 30-35 mu (2 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> These cysts resemble <u>Chytroeisphaeridia</u> in all aspects except for the presence of spines. As an archaeopyle has not been observed it is only tentatively placed within Sentusidinium.

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Occurrence Warlingham: Br.1450 to Br.465, M.Callovian (grossouvrei) to L.Oxfordian (scarburghense).

#### Genus SIRMIODINIOPSIS Drugg, 1978

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts subcircular in outline and dorsoventrally flattened. Endocyst more or less circular in outline. The archaeopyle is apical and the operculum does not tend to remain attached. Paracingulum and parasulcus developed on the periphragm. Additional paratabulation present but obscure. Two fairly large openings are present in the periphragm, one each side of the antapex. (From Drugg, 1978, p73).

#### Type species Sirmiodiniopsis orbis Drugg, 1978

Sirmiodiniopsis orbis Drugg, 1978 (Pl.24, figs.4-8)

1970Gen. et sp. indet. 1Gocht: 1481977Sirmiodinium n.sp. Woollam: 761978Sirmiodiniopsis orbisDrugg: 73

Diagnosis Drugg, 1978; p73; pl.7, fig. 11; pl.8, figs. 1-4

<u>Description</u> A small to intermediate size circumcavate cyst, subcircular in outline. Endocyst is more or less circular in outline. Endophragm and periphragm are in contact dorsally and ventrally, but pericoels are developed laterally and antapically. The surface of the endophragm is finely-granular; periphragm smooth. Paratabulation indicated by archeopyle and paracingulum only. Archaeopyle apical, type tA; operculum usually free. Principle archaeopyle suture may develop parasutural notches, thus indicating six precingular paraplates. Paracingulum fairly wide (3-4mu), delineated by very low, narrow ridges, slightly concave. Two elliptical openings in the periphragm either side of the antapex on the hypocyst are characteristic.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 40-55 mu Overall width of cyst: 35-58 mu (9 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>S.orbis</u> is a distinctive species and readily recognised by its apical archaeopyle (which is unusual in cavate cysts) and the two antapical openings in the periphragm. One specimen (Pl.24,fig.7) was recorded with the operculum intact. <u>S.orbis</u> is undoubtedly the same species as Gen. et sp. indet 1 of Gocht (1970) and <u>Sirmiodinium</u> n.sp. of Woollam (1977). Occurrence Warboys: WB.212 to WB.18 (enodatum to praecordatum).

Warlingham: Br.1880 to Br.115 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>calloviense</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>).

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from M.Callovian (<u>jason</u>) to U.Callovian (<u>athleta</u>)(Drugg, 1978). The range of <u>S.orbis</u> is therefore extended to: L.Callovian (<u>calloviense</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>) on the basis of this study.

Genus SIRMIODINIUM Alberti, 1961 emend. Warren, 1973

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts circumcavate, dorso-ventrally flattened, outline rounded pentagonal to strongly trilobate with short apical protrusion; gonyaulacacean; paratabulation nearly indiscernible to distinct, indicated by low parasutural ridges or pandasuturate areas; combination archaeopyle, type tAa+Pa.

Type species Sirmiodinium grossii Alberti, 1961 (monotypic)

Sirmiodinium grossii Alberti, 1961 (Pl.24, figs.9-14)

- 1961 Sirmiodinium grossii Alberti: 22
- 1967 Sirmiodinium sp. Evitt
- 1973 Sirmiodinium grossii Alberti, 1961; emend. Warren: 104

<u>Diagnosis</u> Warren, 1973; p104; pl.1,figs.1-16; pl.2,figs.1-10; pl.3,figs.1-8; text-figs. 3-6

<u>Description</u> An intermediate to large, circumcavate cyst, rounded pentagonal to strongly trilobate in outline with short apical projection. Seperation between wall layers greatest on hypocyst. Low parasutural or striate pandasuturate areas present on periphragm which is otherwise smooth or faintly ornamented, locally perforate. Endophragm scabrate to granulate. Paratabulation almost indiscernible to distinct; when present is indicated by low parasutural ridges and pandasuturate areas; gonyaulacacean, formula: 4', 6", 6c, 6"', 1p, 1"", 0-5s. Archaeopyle combination, type tAa+Pa; operculum composed of two pieces - one corresponds to apical paraplates, the other to 3". Paracingulum indicated by low, parallel, transverse parasutural ridges, slightly above mid-point on cyst. Parasulcus a 'teardrop'-shaped area.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 55-76 mu Overall width of cyst: 60-80 mu (7 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> A characteristic species, readily identifiable, being the only species of the genus <u>Sirmiodinium</u>. It differs from <u>Sirmiodiniopsis</u> <u>orbis</u> Drugg, 1978, in being considerably larger and more variable in form. **153**  More rounded specimens of <u>S.grosii</u> can be distinguished from <u>Sirmiodiniopsis</u> <u>orbis</u> by the nature of the archaeopyle; a single antapical opening in the periphragm is also often present as distinct from two in the latter.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.223 to WB.28 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>praecordatum</u>). Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.115 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>calloviense</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>).

Range Previously recorded from Upper Jurassic to Lower Cretaceous.

Genus <u>STEPHANELYTRON</u> Sarjeant, 1961a emend. Stover, Sarjeant & Drugg, 1977

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximochorate, subspherical to ellipsoidal; holocavate except at antapical pole; autophragm seperated from ectophragm by short tubular processes; processes nontabular, penitabular, intratabular or combination thereof; body with one or, rarely two antapical coronas; paratabulation gonyaulacacean, archaeopyle apical.

Type species Stephanelytron redcliffense Sarjeant, 1961a emend.Stover, Sarjeant & Drugg, 1977

> Stephanelytron redcliffense Sarjeant, 1961a emend. Stover, (Pl.25, figs.7,8,10-12) Sarjeant & Drugg, 1977

1960b Organism A Sarjeant: 404
 1961a Stephanelytron redcliffense Sarjeant: 109
 1977 Stephanelytron redcliffense Sarjeant, emend. Stover, Sarjeant & Drugg: 331

<u>Diagnosis</u> Stover, Sarjeant & Drugg, 1977; p331, pl.1,figs.1-6; text-fig.1 <u>Description</u> Small to intermediate size, proximochorate cyst, subellipsoidal in outline. Cyst wall consists of an inner autophragm which is smooth to faintly granular and an outer ectophragm which is very thin and envelopes the entire cyst. Parasutural rows of tubiform processes arise from the autophragm; they are normally slightly expanded proximally, more so distally; 5-9mu in length. Distal tips of adjacent processes may be connected distally. Paratabulation indicated by parasutural alignment of processes to give the formula: 1', 5", Xc, 5"', 1"", 2s. Paracingulum expressed by transverse alignment of groups of processes about midlength on cyst. Archeopyle apical; operculum normally free. Antapical paraplate gives rise to a smooth-walled corona which is a narrowly-truncated cone in shape.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 42-65 mu Overall width of cyst: 30-45 mu (14 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens identify closely with the emended diagnosis of Stover, Sarjeant & Drugg, 1977. <u>S.redcliffense</u> is distinguished from <u>S.caytonense</u> Sarjeant, 1961a, emend. Stover, Sarjeant & Drugg, 1977 in being slightly smaller and having more clearly-defined rows of parasutural processes.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.212 to WB.18 (enodatum to praecordatum).

Warlingham: Br.1605 to Br.115 (<u>grossouvrei</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). A common species in Middle & Upper Callovian, but occurs more rarely in Oxfordian.

Overall range: L.Callovian (enodatum) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Range Previously described from M.Callovian to L.Kimmeridgian.

	Stephanelytron caytonense (Pl.25, figs.1-6,9)	Sarjeant, 1961a, emend. Stover, Sarjeant & Drugg, 1977
1961a 1977	Stephanelytron caytonense Stephanelytron caytonense	Sarjeant: 110 Sarjeant, emend. Stover, Sarjeant & Drugg: 332

Diagnosis Stover, Sarjeant & Drugg, 1977: p332; pl.1, figs.7,8

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size, proximochorate cyst, holocavate in form except at antapical pole. Subspherical to ellipsoidal in outline. Ectophagm thin, often incomplete, covering the entire cyst. Autophragm up to 1mu thick, smooth and forming relatively few processes arranged in illdefined rows. Processes tubiform, normally expanded proximally and distally, commonly finely-perforate, 6-11mu in length, 1-2mu wide at mid-length. Tips of processes rarely connected. A single, well-developed corona is consistently present at the antapical pole, it is large, smooth and truncatedcone shape in appearance. Archaeopyle apical; operculum generally free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 45-67 mu Overall width of cyst: 30-60 mu

(14 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> The relatively large corona and ill-defined rows of processes are characteristic of <u>S.caytonense</u> and distinguish it from all other known species of <u>Stephanelytron</u>. Specimens recovered are exceptionally wellpreserved, many retaining the ectophragm.

OccurrenceWarboys: WB.143 to WB.23 (middle athleta to praecordatum).<br/>Warlingham: Br.1354 to Br.246 (lower athleta to corsticardia).Overall range: U.Callovian (lower athleta) to L.Oxfordian (corsticardia).RangePreviously described from M.Callovian (cornatum) to L.Oxford-<br/>ian (cordatum).

## Stephanelytron eccentricum sp. nov. (Pl.25, figs.22-26; Pl.26, figs.1,2; text-fig.5.10)

<u>Derivation of name</u>: From the Latin adjective meaning "eccentric" (offcentred), describing the position of the corona in this species. <u>Holotype</u>: Sample Br.884, slide Br.884a; 100/1393 (K373), U.Callovian (<u>lamberti/athleta</u>), Warlingham Borehole. Plate 26, fig.1; text-fig.5.10 <u>Diagnosis</u> A small species of <u>Stephanelytron</u>, proximochorate in form, broadlyrounded in outline. Ectophragm as yet unobserved; autophragm thin, bearing a moderate number of short parasutural processes, captitate in form. Paratabulation vaguely discernible in the form of five precingular paraplates and a paracingulum. Archaeopyle apical, type tA; operculum free to attached. Corona a fairly large, disc-like structure situated irregularly on the hypocyst at some point immediately below the paracingulum.

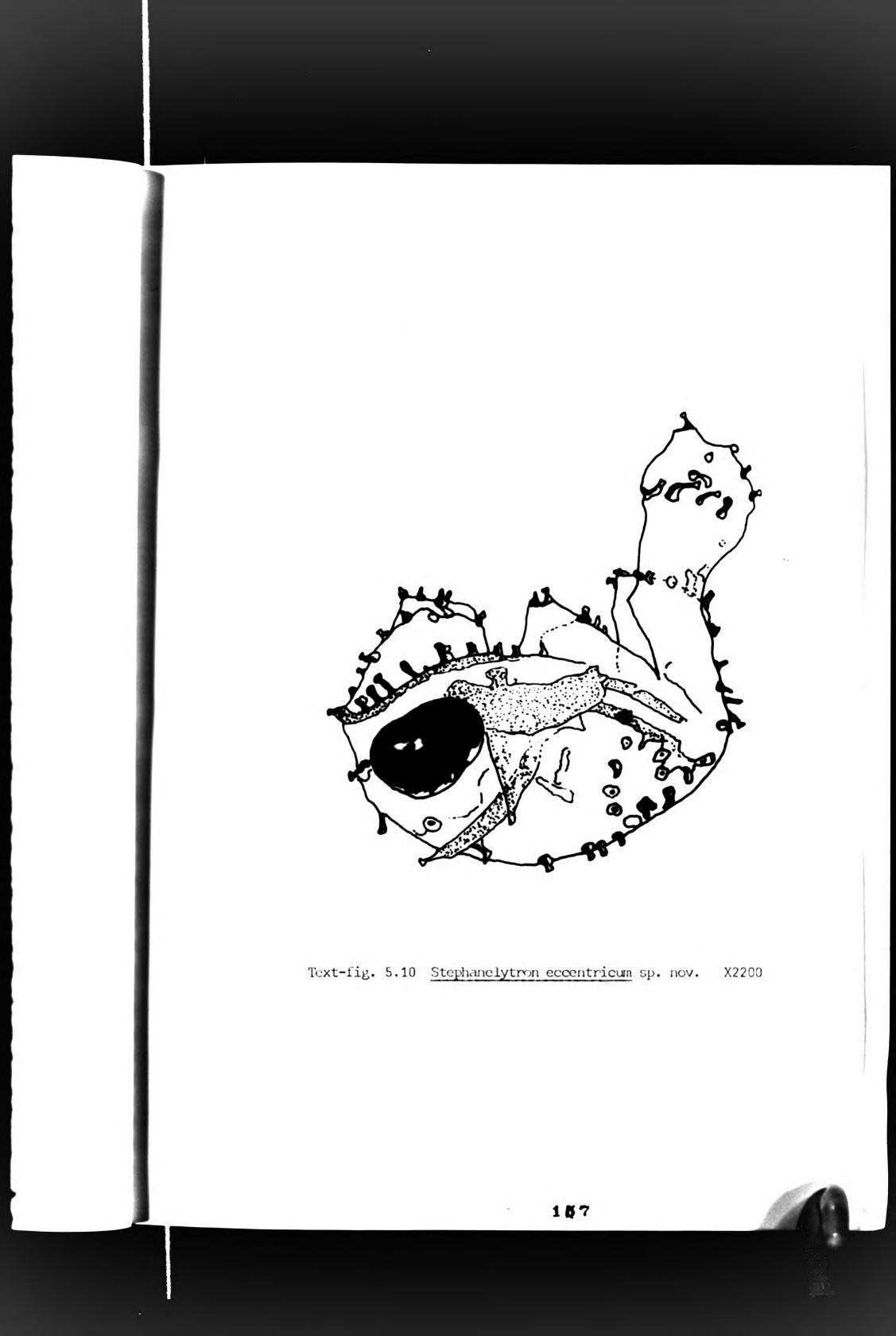
A small proximochorate cyst, broadly-rounded in outline, Description often truncated at the apex due to archaeopyle formation. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only (ectophragm as yet unobserved but likely to be present), which is thin and smooth between parasutural features. A moderate number of short parasutural processes are developed on the autophragm, arranged in rows, approximately 2-5mu in length. Processes are tubiform, expanded both proximally and distally. Tips of processes never connected. Paratabulation is present but not easily discernible; parasutural notches formed along principle archaeopyle suture reveals five precingular paraplates. Paratabulation on the hypocyst indeterminate. A single corona is always present on the hypocyst and consistently off-centred antapically, being found at some point immediately below the paracingulum. Paracingulum fairly broad, delineated by rows of parasutural processes. Archaeopyle apical, type tA, formed by the loss of ?4 apical paraplates. Principle archaeopyle suture zigzag; operculum free to attached.

<u>Dimensions</u> Holotype: Overall length of cyst: 35mu (excluding operculum) Overall width of cyst: 50mu

> Diameter of corona: 8mu Length of processes: 2-4mu

Range: Overall length of cyst: 32-47mu Overall width of cyst: 32-50mu (10 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>S.eccentricum</u> sp.nov. differs from all previously described species of <u>Stephanelytron</u> in the nature of the corona which, as the name implies, is consistently off-centred antapically. The normal position for the corona is at the antapical pole. <u>S.echinatum</u> sp.nov.(herein) also has



a slightly off-centred corona, but the gross morphology of the cyst is quite different. <u>S.eccentricum</u> superficially resembles <u>S.tabulophorum</u> Stover, Sarjeant & Drugg, 1977, but lacks a distinct paratabulation and antapically-positioned corona.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.208 to WB.93 (obductum to upper <u>athleta</u>). Warlingham: Br.1760 to Br.742 (<u>enodatum</u> to <u>scarburghense</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>enodatum</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>scarburghense</u>).

<u>Range</u> L.Callovian (<u>enodatum</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>scarburghense</u>) as recorded herein.

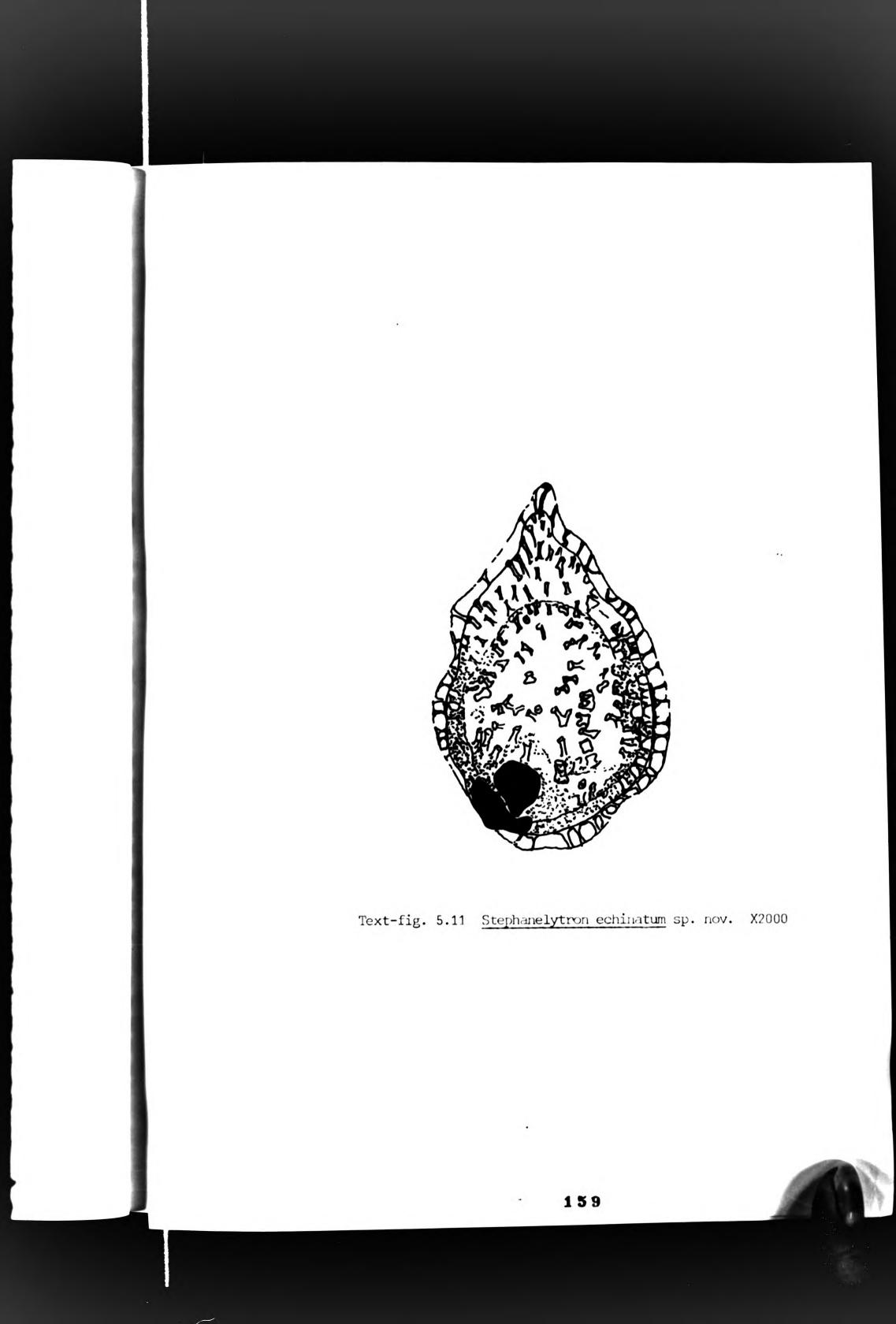
## Stephanelytron echinatum sp. nov. (Pl.26, figs.3-7; text-fig. 5.11)

Derivation of name: From the Latin adjective 'echinatus' meaning "spiny" or "prickly", describing the appearance of this species.

<u>Holotype</u>: Sample WB.88, slide WB.88a; 203/1457 (U304). U.Callovian (<u>lamberti</u>), Warboys Borehole. Plate 26, fig.7; text-fig. 5.11.

<u>Diagnosis</u> Small to intermediate proximochorate cyst; flask, or 'teardrop' shaped with apical protrusion, broadly-rounded antapically. Cyst wall with apparently three layers: an inner ovoidal endophragm, a middle periphragm and an outer ectophragm which covers the entire cyst. Periphragm gives rise to numerous nontabular processes which are short, simple or branched, tubiform and expanded both proximally and distally; processes may or may not be connected distally. A large apical process is often present. A single or double corona always present, usually eccentric of the antapical pole. Paratabulation entirely lacking, as is any archaeopyle structure.

<u>Description</u> A small to intermediate size, proximochorate cyst. Charactistically flask-shaped, or 'teardrop'-shaped; broadly-rounded antapically tapering to a point apically. The cyst wall appears to consist of three layers: an inner ovoidal endophragm; a middle periphragm which gives the cyst body its characteristic shape and an outer ectophragm which is very thin and encloses the entire cyst. Each layer is smooth. The periphragm gives rise to numerous, short, nontabular processes, randomly arranged on the cyst; they may be either simple or branched; tubiform and expanded both proximally and distally where they may be connected at their distal tips. A large terminal process is usually present at the apex, being as much as twice the size of the other processes. A single or double corona ia always present and may be rounded, subspherical or lacking any distinct shape. It is always situated near to, but rarely at, the antapex. Para-



tabulation features entirely lacking. Archaeopyle unknown.

Dimensions	Holotype:	Overall length of cyst:	50mu
		Overall width of cyst:	32mu
	Range:	Overall length of cyst:	37-50mu
		Overall width of cyst:	32-37mu
		(6 specimens measured)	

<u>Remarks</u> The flask or 'teardrop'-shape is characteristic of <u>S.echinatum</u> sp. nov. and as such is readily recogniseable. The possession of numerous tubular processes and a corona place this species within <u>Stephanelytron</u>. However, the presence of a third layer to the cyst wall is hitherto unknown amongst species of <u>Stephanelytron</u> and it may be necessary to create a new genus to accomodate such species.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.212 to WB.83 (enodatum to lamberti).

Warlingham: Br.1760 to Br.560 (<u>enodatum</u> to <u>scarburghense</u>). The main range at Warlingham is to Br.884 (<u>lamberti/athleta</u>) which would restrict this species to the Callovian only, however an isolated occurrence in Br.560 may extend the range to L.Oxfordian (scarburghense).

Range L.Callovian (<u>enodatum</u>) to U.Callovian (<u>lamberti</u>)(?L.Oxfordian - scarburghense), as recorded herein.

	Stephanelytron scarburghense (P1.25, figs.13-18)	Sarjeant, 1961a emend. Stover, Sarjeant & Drugg, 1977
1961a 1977	Stephanelytron scarburghense Stephanelytron scarburghense	Sarjeant: 111 Sarjeant, emend. Stover, Sarjeant & Drugg: 333

Diagnosis Stover, Sarjeant & Drugg, 1977; p333; pl1,figs.9,10

<u>Description</u> A small proximate cyst, spheroidal to broadly-ovoidal in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm and ectophragm; autophragm smooth, gives rise to numerous nontabular, tubiform processes which are

expanded distally (less so proximally) and frequently interconnected at their distal tips; about 5-8mu in length. Ectophragm smooth and very thin, enveloping the entire cyst. Paratabulation not expressed. Archaeopyle apical. Antapical area with one, occasionally two, coronas; base of corona thicker than autophragm, densely setate and convex distally, broadly truncatedcone shape.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 30-48 mu Overall width of cyst: 30-48 mu (14 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>S.scarburghense</u> is distinguished from <u>S.caytonense</u> by being slightly smaller, more rounded and possessing a greater number of nontabular processes; the processes in <u>S.caytonense</u> are not linked distally. <u>S.scar-</u> <u>burghense</u> differs from <u>S.redcliffense</u> in its outline, the former being more rounded and lacking paratabulation features.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.211 to WB.18 (medea to praecordatum). Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.115 (calloviense to vertebrale). Overall range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Range Previously recorded from M.Callovian (jason) to L.Kimmeridgian (Stover, Sarjeant & Drugg, 1977), the presence of <u>S.scarburghense</u> in the L.Callovian (calloviense) here therefore extends the known range.

# Stephanelytron tabulophorum Stover, Sarjeant & Drugg, 1977 (P1.25, figs.19,20)

Diagnosis Stover, Sarjeant & Drugg; p333; pl.1,figs.12,13

<u>Description</u> Small to intermediate size proximochorate cyst, ellipsoidal to broadly-ovoidal in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm and ectophragm. Autophragm is smooth to faintly granular and bears relatively short, closely-spaced, tubiform, parasutural and penitabular processes, which are expanded distally; 2-4mu in length. Ectophragm thin, enveloping the entire cyst. Paratabulation indicated by rows of parasutural and penitabular processes, formula: ?1', 5", 6c, 5"', 1"", 1p, 2s. Paracingulum clearly delineated by parallel rows of parasutural processes. Archaeopyle apical; operculum free. Principle archaeopyle suture zigzag, producing quite deeplyincised parasutural notches. Antapical corona smooth-walled and short (2-4mu) and disc-like in appearance.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 40-65 mu Overall width of cyst: 39-50 mu (9 specimens measured)

RemarksSpecimens identify closely with the original diagnosis ofStover, Sarjeant & Drugg (1977).However, the presence of an apical arch-<br/>eopyle in specimens described here constitutes an amendment to the original<br/>description where there is no mention of an archaeopyle structure.S.tabulophorum is broadly similar to S.eccentricum sp.nov. (herein) but<br/>differs in posessing an antapically-centred corona and definite ectophragm.OccurrenceWarboys: WB.210 to WB.118 (medea to middle athleta).<br/>Warlingham: Br.1760 to Br.916 (enodatum to lamberti/athleta).Overall range: L.Callovian (enodatum) to U.Callovian (lamberti/athleta).

<u>Range</u> Previously described from Upper Callovian (<u>athleta</u> to <u>lamberti</u>) (Stover, Sarjeant & Drugg, 1977). The presence of <u>S.tabulophorum</u> in the Lower Callovian (<u>enodatum</u>) here extends the known range.

#### Genus SURCULOSPHAERIDIUM Davey et.al., 1966

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts skolochorate, body subspherical with approximately 25 solid, isolated, distally-branched, intratabular processes; paratabulation gonyualacacean, indicated by intratabular processes; archaeopyle apical, type TA.

Type species Surculosphaeridium cribrotubiferum (Sarjeant, 1960a) Davey et.al., 1966

> Surculosphaeridium cribrotubiferum (Sarjeant, 1960a) Davey et.al, (P1.26, figs.8,9; Pl.27,fig.1) 1966

1960a Hystrichosphaeridium cribrotubiferum Sarjeant: 137 1966 Surculosphaeridium cribrotubiferum (Sarjeant) Davey et.al: 160

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1960a; p137; pl.4, figs.2,3; text-fig.1

Description Intermediate to large skolochorate cyst with a spherical central body bearing about 15 to 20 solid, distally-closed, perforate processes. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is smooth. Paratabulation indicated by intratabular processes, gonyaulacacean, process formula: 4', 6", 6c, 6"', 1p, 1"", 1s. Archaeopyle apical, type TA; operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall diameter of central body: 33-66 mu Overall length of processes: 12-25 mu Overall diameter of cyst: 60-102 mu (6 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>S.cribrotubiferum</u> is mophologically similar to <u>S.vestitum</u> (Deflandre, 1938) Davey et.al., 1966 but differs in the nature of the processes which tend to be larger, branched and ramifying in the latter.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.23 (kamptus to praecordatum).

Warlingham: Br.1655 to Br.115 (obductum to vertebrale).

Overall range: L.Callovian (kamptus) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Range Previously described from the Callovian and Oxfordian.

Surculosphaeridium vestitum (Deflandre, 1938) Davey et.al., 1966 (Pl.26, figs.10-12)

1938Hystrichosphaeridium vestitumDeflandre: 1891960bBaltisphaeridium vestitum(Deflandre) Sarjeant: 3971966Surculosphaeridium vestitum(Deflandre) Davey et.al: 162162

#### Diagnosis Deflandre, 1938; p189; pl.11, figs. 4-6

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large skolochorate cyst, with a subspherical central body. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is smooth and gives rise to 20 to 25 slender processes of variable form which are simple, or distally-ramifying. Paratabulation indicated by intratabular processes, gonyaulacacean, formula: 4', 6", 6c, 6"', 1p, 1"", 1s. Archaeopyle apical, type  $\overline{TA}$ ; operculum free.

Dimensions	Overall	diameter of	central body:	34-55 mu	
	Overall	length of p	rocesses:	15-31 mu	
	Overall	diameter of	cyst:	70-113 mu	
	(15 spec	cimens measu	red)		

<u>Remarks</u> The processes are very variable in form and length. <u>S.vestitum</u> is distinguished from <u>S.cribrotubiferum</u> (Sarjeant, 1960a) Davey et.al., 1966 by the nature of the processes which are more variable and distally ramifying, in <u>S.vestitum</u>.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.210 to WB.18 (medea to praecordatum). Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.115 (calloviense to vertebrale). Overal range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

<u>Range</u> Previously described from U.Callovian (<u>athleta</u>) to U.Oxfordian (Sarjeant, 1979). The range is therefore extended to L.Callovian (<u>callov-</u> <u>iense</u>) on the basis of this study.

Genus SYSTEMATOPHORA Klement, 1960

Synonym Taeniophora Klement, 1960

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts skolochorate, gonyaulacacean; body subspherical with 20 to 26 penitabular process-groups, each group generally arising from basal ridges and typically without distal connections or trabeculae; archaeopyle apical, type TA.

Type species Systematophora areolata Klement, 1960

Systematophora areolata Klement, 1960 (Pl.27, figs.2,3)

Diagnosis Klement, 1960; p62; pl.9, figs.1-8; text-figs.32-35

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large skolochorate cyst with a subspherical central body. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is smooth to faintly granular; gives rise to a system of penitabular processes which arise from annular ridges as slender projections, not connected distally. The processes may be simple or branched and bifurcate at their tips. Para-

tabulation indicated incompletely by penitabular process-groups. Archeopyle apical, type  $\overline{tA}$ ; operculum free.

Dimensions Overall diameter of central body: 35-64 mu Overall length of processes: 12-30 mu Overall diameter of cyst: 43-74 mu (8 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>S.areolata</u> differs from <u>S.valensii</u> (Sarjeant, 1960a) Downie & Sarjeant, 1964 in having fewer and more simple penitabular processes.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.395 to Br.115 L.Oxfordian (praecordatum) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Range Previously described from L.Oxfordian to Kimmeridgian.

Systematophora valensii (Sarjeant, 1960a) Downie & Sarjeant, 1964 (Pl.27, figs.4-8)

1960a Polystephanosphaera valensii Sarjeant: 142 1964 Systematophora valensii (Sarjeant) Downie & Sarjeant

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1960a; p142; pl.6,5-7; text-fig.3c

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large skolochorate cyst with a subspherical central body. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is faintly granular and gives rise to a system of penitabular processes. The processes are arranged in groups arising from annular ridges on the central body and vary in form; they are bifurcate or ramifying, slender or widened, sometimes linked to adjacent processes in the same group either at their bases or by trabeculae at some point along their length but never at their outer extremity. Paratabulation indicated incompletely by penitabular processes. Archaeopyle apical, type  $\overline{TA}$ ; operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall diameter of central body: 35-51 mu Overall length of processes: 7.5-25 mu Overall diameter of cyst: 50-101 mu (10 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>S.valensii</u> differs from <u>S.areolata</u> Klement, 1960 in being slightly larger in overall diameter. The nature of the processes are also different; they are more simple in <u>S.areolata</u> and never linked by trabeculae except at their bases.

<u>Occurrence</u> Warlingham: Br.170 to Br.140 L.Oxfordian (<u>cordatum</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>).

<u>Range</u> Previously described from U.Callovian (<u>lamberti</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>plicatilis</u>).

## (?)Systematophora valensii (Sarjeant, 1960a) Downie & Sarjeant, (Pl.34, figs.1-3)

<u>Description</u> Intermediate size skolochorate cyst with a subspherical central body. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which gives rise to a system of penitabular processes. The processes are very variable in form and are arranged in groups arising from annular, arcuate or rectilinear ridges; they are fairly short and may be either simple, branched or ramifying. Paratabulation presumably indicated by groups of penitabular processes but formulation difficult to extrapolate. Archaeopyle apical.

Dimensions	Overall diameter of central body:	35-55 mu
	Overall length of processes:	8.5-12.5 mu
	Overall cyst diameter:	58-60 mu
	(4 specimens measured)	

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens resemble <u>S.valensii</u> but show a considerable degree of variation in the nature of the processes. They are generally shorter than in <u>S.valensii</u> and do not usually arise from ring-complexes.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.128 to WB.18 (middle <u>athleta</u> to <u>praecordatum</u>). Warlingham: Br.1813 to Br.115 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>).

Overall range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Range L.Callovian (<u>calloviense</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>), as recorded herein.

#### Genus TUBOTUBERELLA Vozzhennikova, 1967

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximate, bicavate, elongate ellipsoidal, with or without an apical horn; hypocyst has prominent four-sided pericoel with pore-like opening; endocyst subspherical to ovoidal; paratabulation gonyaulacacean, indicated by smooth to denticulate parasutural ridges or septa; archaeopyle precingular, type P.

Type species Tubotuberella rhombiformis Vozzhennikova, 1967

Tubotuberella apatela (Cookson & Eisenack, 1960) Ioannides et.al, (Pl.28, figs.1-5)

1960	Scriniodinium apatelum	Cookson & Eisenack: 249
1969	Psaligonyaulax apatela	(Cookson & Eisenack) Sarjeant: 15
1976	Tubotuberella apatela	(Cookson & Eisenack) Ioannides et.al: 464
1977	Glabridinium apatelum	(Cookson & Eisenack) Brideaux: 35
1978	Tubotuberella apatela	(Cookson & Eisenack) Ioannides et.al.;
		Stover & Evitt, 1978

Diagnosis Cookson & Eisenack, 1960; p249; pl.37, figs. 12, 13



Description Intermediate to large proximate cyst, bicavate in form, elongate-ellipsoidal in outline with apical and antapical extensions. Cyst wall consists of an inner ovoidal to rhomboidal endophragm and an outer periphragm which is smooth, thin and extended apically and antapically. Apically the periphragm is produced into a cylindrical, truncate horn; antapically, the cyst narrows towards a cylindrical to subpolygonal opening. with a smooth or setate edge. Paratabulation indicated by paracingulum and archaeopyle only; paracingulum weakly laevorotatory, delineated by parallel, transverse, parasutural ridges of low relief. Parasulcus expressed as a longitudinally-elongate area between parasutural ridges. Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only); operculum free.

Dimensions Overall length of cyst: 63-92 mu Overall width of cyst: 30-50 mu (10 specimens measured)

T.apatela differs from T.sphaerocephalis Vozzhennikiva, 1967 Remarks and T.eisenackii (Deflandre, 1938) Stover & Evitt, 1978 in lacking denticulate parasutural crests. It differs from T.dangeardii (Sarjeant, 1968) Stover & Evitt, 1978 in being more elongate-ellipsoidal rather than pentagonal in outline. Specimens are generally well-preserved.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.18 (kamptus to praecordatum).

Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.115 (calloviense to vertebrale). Overall range: L.Callovian (kamptus) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Previously described from M.Oxfordian to Cretaceous (Davey & Range Riley, 1978; Sarjeant, 1979). The known range is therefore extended to L.Callovian (kamptus) on the basis of the present study.

> Tubotberella dangeardii (Sarjeant, 1968) Stover & Evitt, 1978 (Pl.28, figs.6,7,10)

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<u>Gonyaulacysta dangeardi</u> Sarjeant: 226 <u>Tubotuberella dangeardii</u> (Sarjeant) Stover & Evitt: 197 1978 Sarjeant, 1968; p226; pl.1, fig. 21; pl.3, figs. 8, 15; text-fig. 3 Diagnosis

Description A large proximate cyst, bicavate in form, roughly pentagonal in outline. Cyst wall consists of two layers; an inner endophragm, broadlyrounded to subquadrate in outline filling the middle region; an outer layer, the periphragm, which is smooth and thin. The periphragm is extended apically into a narrow cylindrical, truncate horn; antapically into a truncated quadrate, cone-shaped horn, tapering distally. Paratabulation indicated by very low parasutural ridges; gonyaulacacean, formula: 4', ?0a,

6", ?6c, 6"', 1p, 1"". Paracingulum narrow, laevorotatory. Parasulcus broad. Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only).

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 62-97 mu Overall width of cyst: 45-64 mu (6 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> The pentagonal outline is characteristic of <u>T.dangeardii</u>. Specimens are well-preserved.

Occurrence Warboys: WB: 224 to WB.18 (koenigi to praecordatum). Warlingham: Br.1880 to Br.292 (calloviense to bulowskii).

Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>koenigi</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>bulowskii</u>).

<u>Range</u> Previously described from U.Callovian (<u>athleta</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>cordatum</u>) (Sarjeant, 1979). The known range is therefore extended to L.Callovian (<u>koenigi</u>) on the basis of this study.

> Tubotuberella eisenackii (Deflandre, 1938) Stover & Evitt, 1978 (Pl.28, figs.8,9,12,13; Pl.29,figs.1-3)

1938	Gonyaulax eisenacki Deflandre: 171
1965	Gonyaulacysta eisenacki (Deflandre) Gorka: 299
1970	Endoscrinium eisenacki (Deflandre) Gocht: 146
1978	Tubotuberella eisenackii (Deflandre) Stover & Evitt: 197

Diagnosis Deflandre, 1938; p171; pl.6, figs. 7-10; text-figs. 3,4

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large proximate cyst, bicavate in form, subpentagonal in outline. Cyst wall consists of two layers; an inner endophragm which is broadly-rounded to subquadrate in outline and fills the middle body; the outer periphragm is smooth and extended apically to give a short, cylindrical, truncated cone-shape horn and antapically to produce a subquadrate, truncated cone-shape horn which is open distally. Paratabulation indicated by parasutural crests which vary from low crenulate to denticulate or spiny. Paracingulum laevorotatory, narrow, delineated by parallel parasutural crests. Parasulcus fairly wide and sinuous. Archeopyle precingular, type P (3" only); operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 55-88 mu Overall width of cyst: 35-69 mu (16 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> The nature of the parasutural crests are very variable in form, although distinctive.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.18 (kamptus to praecordatum). Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.115 (calloviense to vertebrale).

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Overall range: L.Callovian (kamptus) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Range Known range is L.Callovian to L.Kimmeridgian (Sarjeant, 1979).

## Tubotuberella sphaerocephalis Vozzhennikova, 1967 (Pl.29, fig.4)

Diagnosis Vozzhennikova, 1967; p181; pl.103, figs.1-3; pl.104, figs.4-5a, b

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large proximate cyst, bicavate in form, elongate-ellipsoidal in outline. Cyst wall consists of two layers; an inner endophragm which is ovoidal in outline and fills the middle region of the cyst; the outer periphragm is thin and extended apically to form a cylindrical, truncated-cone shape horn and antapically to form a subquadrate, truncated-cone shape horn. Paratabulation indicated by parasutural rows of setate or spiny crests; the spines are either simple or bifurcate, capitate distally. Paracingulum present but indistinct. Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only); operculum free

Dimensions Overall length of cyst: 73-93 mu Overall width of cyst: 30-46 mu (5 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> The spiny or setate parasutural crests are distinctive and distinguish this species from all other known species of <u>Tubotuberella</u>.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.218 to WB.58 (calloviense to scarburghense). Warlingham: Br.1813 to Br.543 (calloviense to scarburghense).

Overall range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to L.Oxfordian (scarburghense).

<u>Range</u> Previously described from the late Jurassic only (Sarjeant, 1979). The presence of <u>T.sphaerocephalis</u> here therefore extends the known range to L.Callovian (calloviense).

Genus WANAEA Cookson & Eisenack, 1958

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximochorate, subspherical to broadly conical; autophragm smooth or with parasutural ridges or septa; paratabulation indicated by parasutural features on hypocyst, or suggested by paracingulum; combination epicystal archaeopyle, type  $\overline{TATP}$  or  $\overline{TATPa}$ .

Type species Wanaea specatbilis (Deflandre & Cookson, 1955) Cookson & Eisenack, 1958

Wanaea acollaris Dodekova, 1975

(P1.29, figs.5-8)

#### Diagnosis Dodekova, 1975; p20; pl.2, figs.9, 10; pl.3, figs.1-7,9

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large proximate cyst, subspherical to broadlyconical in outline (complete specimens rarely seen). Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is smooth to faintly granular and forms a distinct, short, rounded antapical horn. Paratabulation usually indiscernible, formula apparently: Xc, 5-6"', 1p. Paracingulum is located at the broadest part of the cone, narrow and obscure. Archaeopyle combination epicystal type TATP; operculum free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of hypocyst: 50-71 mu Overall width of hypocyst: 60-96 mu (7 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> The lack of any features along the principle archaeopyle suture is characteristic of Wanaea acollaris.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.98 (kamptus to upper athleta). Warlingham: Br.1833 to Br.785 (calloviense to scarburghense). Overall range: L.Callovian (kamptus) to L.Oxfordian (scarburghense).

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from U.Bajocian to M.Callovian (Davey & Riley, 1978). The known range is therefore extended to lowermost Oxfordian (scarburghense), on the basis of this study.

Wanaea digitata Cookson & Eisenack, 1958 (Pl.29,figs.9,10; Pl.30,figs.1,2)

Diagnosis Cookson & Eisenack, 1958; p58; pl.9, figs. 2-5

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large proximochorate cyst, broadly-conical in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is smooth and narrows towards a short, rounded antapical horn. Paratabulation features entirely lacking. Archaeopyle combination epicystal, type TATP; operculum free. Principle archaeopyle suture ornamented by a narrow fringe of finger-

like processes which, although they may anastomise tangentially or coalesce proximally, remain free distally.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of hypocyst: 57-94 mu Overall width of hypocyst: 75-101 mu (6 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>W.digitata</u> is distinguished from <u>W.acollaris</u> Dodekova, 1975 in posessing a fringe of processes around the principle archaeopyle suture. It differs from <u>W.fimbriata</u> Sarjeant, 1961a in that its processes remain free distally.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.208 to WB.78 (jason to scarburghense). Warlingham: Br.1255 to Br.702 (<u>athleta</u> to <u>scarburghense</u>). Overall range: M.Callovian (<u>jason</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>scarburghense</u>).

<u>Range</u> Previously recorded from M.Callovian to L.Oxfordian (Sarjeant, 1979).

> Wanaea fimbriata Sarjeant, 1961a (Pl.30, figs.3-7)

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1961a; p112; pl.15, fig. 14; text-fig. 13

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large proximochorate cyst, broadly-conical in outline, narrowing to a short, rounded antapical horn. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is smooth. Paratabulation features entirely lacking. Archaeopyle combination epicystal, type  $\overline{tAtP}$ ; operculum free. Principle archaeopyle suture ornamented by a wide fringe which narrows in the sulcal region; a mesh-like network of irregular structure, its distal edges being free.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of hypocyst: 30-101 mu Overall width of hypocyst (including fringe): 71-121 mu (19 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>W.fimbriata</u> differs from <u>W.digitata</u> Cookson & Eisenack, 1958 in possessing a meshed network fringe rather than isolated processes along the principle archaeopyle suture. It is very similar to <u>W.clathrata</u> Cookson & Eisenack, 1958, but differs in having an open outer edge to the fringe rather than an entire edge. Specimens are extremely well-preserved.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.78 to WB.58 (scarburghense).

Warlingham: Br.785 to Br.246 (<u>scarburghense</u> to <u>corsticardia</u>). Overall range: L.Oxfordian (<u>scarburghense</u> to <u>corsticardia</u>) only.

Range L.Oxfordian (mariae to cordatum) only (Sarjeant, 1979).

The first appearance of <u>W.fimbriata</u> denotes the Callovian/Oxfordian boundary.

Order DINOPHYCIALES Lindemann, 1921

Genus NANNOCERATOPSIS Deflandre, 1938 emend. Evitt, 1961

<u>Diagnosis</u> Cysts proximate, compressed laterally, usually with two antapical horns, of which the ventral horn may be reduced or undeveloped; epicyst minute, hypocyst large; dorsal, ventral and **170**  antapical surfaces narrow, lateral surfaces wide; archaeopyle epicystal, probably analogous to type APa.

<u>Type species</u> <u>Nannoceratopsis pellucida</u> Deflandre, 1938 emend. Evitt, 1961 <u>Nannoceratopsis pellucida</u> Deflandre, 1938 emend. Evitt, 1961 (Pl.31, figs.1,4,5)

1938Nannoceratopsis pellucidaDeflandre: 1831961Nannoceratopsis pellucidaDeflandre; emend. Evitt: 306

<u>Diagnosis</u> Evitt, 1961; p306; pl.1,figs.15-18; pl.2,figs.30,31; text-fig.8 <u>Description</u> Intermediate to large proximate cyst, compressed laterally, triangular in outline with pronounced concavity between antapical horns. Ventral horn may be reduced or completely undeveloped. Epicyst minute, seperated by subapical paracingulum, from hypocyst which constitutes most of the cyst. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is smooth to areolate. Paratabulation not indicated. Archaeopyle epicystal; operculum free to attached.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 80-100 mu Overall width of cyst: 42-55 mu (5 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Both antapical horns are usually fully developed in specimens here, which distinguishes it from <u>N.plegas</u> Drugg, 1978.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.78 (<u>kamptus</u> to <u>scarburghense</u>). Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.140 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (kamptus) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>).

Range Previously described from U.Bathonian to U.Oxfordian (Sarjeant, 1979)

Nannoceratopsis plegas Drugg, 1978 (Pl.31, figs.2,3)

Diagnosis Drugg, 1978; p71; pl.6, figs.8,9; pl.7, fig.3

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large proximate cyst, compressed laterally, triangular to sickle-shape in outline. The dorsal horn is elongate; the ventral horn is comparatively short. The antapical concavity is broad and flattened to arcuate. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is finely pitted or areolate. Epicyst is minute, seperated from hypocyst by subapical paracingulum; hypocyst constitutes most of the cyst. Paratabulation not indicated. Archaeopyle epicystal; operculum free to attached.



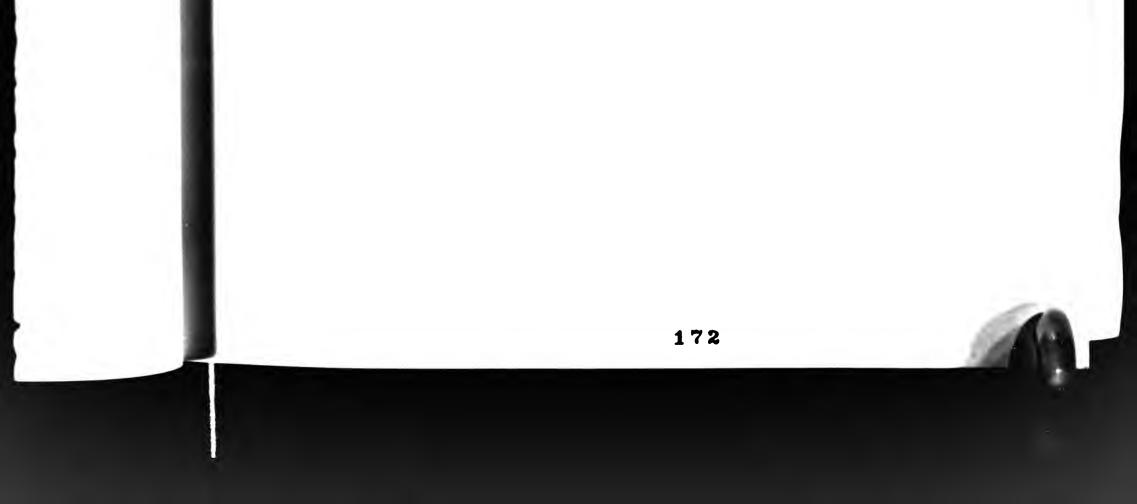
<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 70-80 mu Overall width of cyst: 50 mu (4 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> The elongated doesal horn, affecting the outline of the cyst is characteristic.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.133 (kamptus to middle athleta).

Warlingham: Br.1880 to Br.627 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>scarburghense</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>kamptus</u>) to L.Oxfordian (<u>scarburghense</u>).

<u>Range</u> Previously described from the Lower Jurassic only (Drugg, 1978). The presence of <u>N.plegas</u> here therefore constitutes an extended range to Upper Jurassic, L.Oxfordian (scarburghense).



Group ACRITARCHA Evitt, 1963

Subgroup ACANTHOMORPHITAE Downie, Evitt & Sarjeant, 1963

Genus MICRHYSTRIDIUM Deflandre, 1937 emend. Sarjeant, 1967b

<u>Diagnosis</u> Vesicle spherical to polygonal, of small to moderate size. Ornamented with several to numerous hollow spines which are continuous with, and open into, the vesicle. Spines simple, straight or recurved with closed tips. No differentiation in texture between spines and vesicle. (After Staplin, Jansonius and Pocock, 1965)

Type species Micrhystridium inconspicuum (Deflandre, 1935) Deflandre, 1937 <u>Micrhystridium inconspicuum</u> (Deflandre, 1935) Deflandre, 1937 (Pl.31, fig.15)

1935Hystrichosphaera inconspicuaDeflandre: 2331937Micrhystridium inconspicuum(Deflandre)Deflandre: 32

Diagnosis Deflandre, 1937; p32; pl.12, figs.11-13

Description The spherical, globular shell has a smooth surface from which arise short, simple and distally-closed spines, about 20 to 30 in number.

Dimensions Overall diameter of shell: 16 mu (2 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>M.inconspicuum</u> is distinguished from <u>M.deflandrei</u> Valensi, 1948 in posessing about half the number of spines. The spines are also shorter and less conical than in <u>M.recurvatum</u> Valensi, 1953

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.18 (kamptus to praecordatum).

Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.115 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>kamptus</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>).

Range Middle Jurassic to Cretaceous.

Micrhystridium deflandrei Valensi, 1948 (Pl.31, figs.6,7,11)

Diagnosis Valensi, 1948; p545; text-fig.5, nos.3-5

Description Small spherical shell, which is smooth and thin-walled, bearing numerous minute, simple spines.

Dimensions

Overall diameter of shell: 18-23 mu (4 specimens measured)

The minute, numerous spines are characteristic and distinguish Remarks M.deflandrei from all other known species of Micrhystridium.

Warboys: WB.183 (lower <u>athleta</u>), a single specimen. Occurrence Warlingham: Br.1605 to Br.115 (grossouvrei to vertebrale).

Overall range: M.Callovian (grossouvrei) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Previously described from the L.Jurassic (Sinemurian) to Range U.Jurassic (Oxfordian).

## Micrhystridium densispinum Valensi, 1953 (Pl.31, figs.8-10)

Diagnosis Valensi, 1953; p52; pl.7, figs.6-9, 13, 17, 18; pl.14, fig.4

Small spherical shell which has a fairly thick wall and num-Description erous fine spines which give a fibrous appearance to the outer part of the shell.

Dimensions Diameter of shell: 15-24 mu Length of spines: 3-5 mu (4 specimens measured)

The dense covering of spines giving a fibrous appearance to Remarks the outer part of the shell is distinctive.

Warboys: WB.211 to WB.33 (medea to scarburghense). Occurrence Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.246 (calloviense to cordatum). Overall range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to L.Oxfordian (cordatum).

Previously described from the Upper Jurassic. Range

> Micrhystridium fragile Deflandre, 1947b (Pl.31, figs.12,13)

Diagnosis Deflandre, 1947b; p8; text-figs.13-18

The spherical to subspherical shell is smooth and thin-Description walled, bearing 10 to 18 spines. The spines are strong, straight or curved, hollow; acuminate and closed distally.

Dimensions Diameter of shell: 18-20 mu Length of spines: 10-11 mu (3 specimens measured)

M.fragile is similar to Solisphaeridium stimuliferum (Deflandre, Remarks 1938) Sarjeant, 1968, but is considerably smaller with hollow spines.

OccurrenceWarboys: WB.228 to WB.18 (kamptus to praecordatum).Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.115 (calloviense to vertebrale).Overall range: L.Callovian (kamptus) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).RangePreviously described from the Middle and Upper Jurassic.

## Micrhystridium nannacanthum Deflandre, 1945 (Pl.31, fig.16)

Diagnosis Deflandre, 1945; p66; pl.3, figs. 5-7

<u>Description</u> Small spherical shell with a fairly thick and smooth wall from which some 15 to 20 spines arise. Spines are short and stoutlyconical. There appears to be a pylome developed on the shell surface.

<u>Dimensions</u> Diameter of shell: 14 mu Length of spines: 3 mu (1 specimen only measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>M.nannacanthum</u> is one of the smallest acanthomorph acritarchs. It differs from <u>M.inconspicuum</u> (Deflandre, 1935) Deflandre, 1937 in being smaller and having fewer spines.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.48 to WB.33 (scarburghense), 2 specimens only. Warlingham: Br.1605 to Br.292 (coronatum to bulowskii).

Overall range: M.Callovian (coronatum) to L.Oxfordian (bulowskii).

Range Lower Jurassic (Hettangian) to Upper Jurassic (Oxfordian).

Micrhystridium polyhedricum Valensi, 1948 (Pl.31, figs.17,18)

Diagnosis Valensi, 1948; p548; text-fig.6

<u>Description</u> Small subspherical to polyhedral shell with smooth surface, from which arise 6-10 short, conical spines which are quite wide proximally and pointed distally.

Dimensions Diameter of shell: 13-20 mu Length of spines: 4.5-7 mu (5 specimens measured)

Remarks The polyhedral outline of the shell is distinctive.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.18 (kamptus to praecordatum). Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.481 (calloviense to scarburghense). Overall range: L.Callovian (kamptus) to L.Oxfordian (scarburghense).

Previously recorded from the Jurassic.

## Micrhystridium rarispinum Sarjeant, 1960b (Pl.31, figs.25,26)

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1960b; p400; pl.14, figs.6-8; text-fig.11

<u>Description</u> Small spherical shell, surface smooth, with a small number (14 to 20) of very short, slender, hollow spines which are pointed distally and usually curved; length of spines about one-fifth of the shell diameter.

<u>Dimensions</u> Diameter of shell: 17-19 mu Length of spines: 2 mu (4 specimens measured)

Range

<u>Remarks</u> <u>M.rarispinum</u> differs from <u>M.fragile</u> Deflandre, 1947b in having fewer spines which are shorter in length.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.210 to WB.18 (medea to praecordatum). Warlingham: Br.1655 to Br.194 (obductum to corsticardia).

Overall range: M.Callovian (medea) to L.Oxfordian (corsticardia).

Range Previously recorded throughout the Jurassic.

Micrhystridium recurvatum Valensi, 1953 (Pl.31, figs.19,20)

Diagnosis Valensi, 1953; p43; pl.6, figs.1-4; pl.13, fig.16

<u>Description</u> Shell spherical to subspherical bearing some 18 to 30 simple, hollow processes which may be straight, or more usually incurved. Shell wall smooth.

<u>Dimensions</u> Diameter of shell: 15-25 mu Length of spines: 3-8 mu

(6 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>M.recurvatum</u> differs from <u>M.sydus</u> Valensi, 1953 in having a greater number of spines which are shorter in length.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.223 to WB.18 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>praecordatum</u>). Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.115 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>calloviense</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>).

Range Previously recorded throughout the Jurassic.



Previously recorded from the Jurassic.

## Micrhystridium rarispinum Sarjeant, 1960b (Pl.31, figs.25,26)

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1960b; p400; pl.14, figs.6-8; text-fig.11

Description Small spherical shell, surface smooth, with a small number (14 to 20) of very short, slender, hollow spines which are pointed distally and usually curved; length of spines about one-fifth of the shell diameter.

<u>Dimensions</u> Diameter of shell: 17-19 mu Length of spines: 2 mu (4 specimens measured)

Range

<u>Remarks</u> <u>M.rarispinum</u> differs from <u>M.fragile</u> Deflandre, 1947b in having fewer spines which are shorter in length.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.210 to WB.18 (medea to praecordatum). Warlingham: Br.1655 to Br.194 (obductum to corsticardia).

Overall range: M.Callovian (medea) to L.Oxfordian (corsticardia).

Range Previously recorded throughout the Jurassic.

Micrhystridium recurvatum Valensi, 1953 (Pl.31, figs.19,20)

Diagnosis Valensi, 1953; p43; pl.6, figs.1-4; pl.13, fig.16

<u>Description</u> Shell spherical to subspherical bearing some 18 to 30 simple, hollow processes which may be straight, or more usually incurved. Shell wall smooth.

Dimensions Diameter of shell: 15-25 mu Length of spines: 3-8 mu

(6 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>M.recurvatum</u> differs from <u>M.sydus</u> Valensi, 1953 in having a greater number of spines which are shorter in length.

OccurrenceWarboys: WB.223 to WB.18 (calloviense to praecordatum).<br/>Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.115 (calloviense to vertebrale).Overall range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).RangePreviously recorded throughout the Jurassic.

## Micrhystridium recurvatum forma brevispinosa Valensi, 1953 (Pl.31, figs.21,22)

Diagnosis Valensi, 1953; p44; pl.6, figs.9,10

<u>Description</u> Small spheroidal shell with spines which are incurved and sometimes bulbous at their base. Spines are short (one-sixth to onequarter of the shell diameter in length) and between 20 and 27 in number. A splitting of the shell is occasionally observed.

Dimensions Diameter of shell: 12-18 mu Length of spines: 4-5 mu (4 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> This species resembles <u>M.rarispinum</u> Sarjeant, 1960b, but is distinguished from it in having a greater number of spines.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.211 to WB.18 (medea to praecordatum). Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.170 (calloviense to cordatum). Overall Range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to L.Oxfordian (cordatum).

Range Previously recorded from the Jurassic.

Micrhystridium recurvatum forma longispinosa Valensi, 1953 (Pl.31, fig.21)

Diagnosis Valensi, 1953; p44, pl.6, fig.6

<u>Description</u> Shell small and spheroidal, surface smooth and gives rise to about 30 spines which are slightly curved and about half the shelldiameter in length.

<u>Dimensions</u> Diameter of shell: 16 mu Length of spines: 7 mu (1 specimen only measured)

Remarks The length of spines in proportion to the shell diameter

are distinctive.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.193 to WB.33 (grossouvrei to scarburghense). Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.115 (calloviense to vertebrale). Overall range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to M.Oxfordian (veretebrale).

Range Previously recorded from the Jurassic.

Micrhystridium recurvatum forma multispinosa Valensi, 1953 (Pl.31, fig.24; Pl.32, figs.1,2)

#### Diagnosis Valensi, 1953; p44; pl.6, fig.5

<u>Description</u> Shell small and spheroidal with many short spines which may be slightly swollen proximally and are closed and pointed distally.

<u>Dimensions</u> Diameter of shell: 20-24 mu Length of spines: 2-5 mu (5 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>M.recurvatum</u> forma <u>multispinosa</u> is similar to <u>M.inconspicuum</u> (Deflandre, 1935) Deflandre, 1937 but is differentiated from it by the nature of the spines which are much broader at their base in the former.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.193 to WB.33 (grossouvrei to scarburghense). Warlingham: Br.1697 to Br.292 (jason to bulowskii). Overall Range: M.Callovian (jason) to L.Oxfordian (bulowskii).

Range Previously described from the Jurassic.

Micrhystridium recurvatum forma reducta Valensi, 1953 (Pl.32, fig.3)

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Diagnosis Valensi, 1953; p44; pl.6, figs. 7, 8; pl.13, fig. 16

<u>Description</u> Shell small, spheroidal to subspheroidal with about 16 slightly incurved spines which are broad proximally and pointed distally.

<u>Dimensions</u> Diameter of shell: 15-20 mu Length of spines: 2-3 mu (3 specimens measured)

Range

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens identify closely with the original description of Valensi, 1953

Occurrence Warboys: WB.228 to WB.18 (<u>kamptus</u> to <u>praecordatum</u>). Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.115 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). Overall Range: L.Callovian (<u>kamptus</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>).

Previously described from the Jurassic.

Micrhystridium sydus Valensi, 1953 (Pl.32, figs.4-6)

<u>Diagnosis</u> Valensi, 1953; p59; pl.8,fig.40; pl.9,figs.3-5,11,17,23,24 <u>Description</u> The spherical to subpolygonal shell bears 12 to 14 broadlybased, conical spines. The spines are hollow and distally pointed and closed; their cavity connects to the shell cavity.

<u>Dimensions</u> Diameter of shell: 16-20 mu Length of spines: 5-15 mu (5 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> The long conical spines with their broad base are distinctive. This species was the most abundant, forming up to 50% of the total microplankton assemblage in the middle athleta of Warboys.

Occurrence Occurs abundantly in all.samples from both sections. Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>kamptus</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>).

Range Previously recorded from the middle and upper Jurassic.

Micrhystridium variabile Valensi, 1953 (Pl.32, figs.7,8)

<u>Diagnosis</u> Valensi, 1953; p47; pl.3,figs.12,13,17; pl.4,figs.1,2;pl.13,fig.8 <u>Description</u> Shell small, spherical with numerous short slender spines. The spines are variable in form and capitate at their distal tips; a collarlike structure is present at the mid-point of each spine.

<u>Dimensions</u> Diameter of shell: 22-24 mu Length of spines: 2-3 mu (3 specimens measured)

Remarks The variable nature of the spines are very distinctive.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.223 to WB.93 (<u>calloviense</u> to upper <u>athleta</u>). Warlingham: Br.1898 to Br.170 (calloviense to cordatum).

Overall range: L.Callovian (calloviense) to L.Oxfordian (cordatum).

Range Previously recorded from the middle and upper Jurassic.

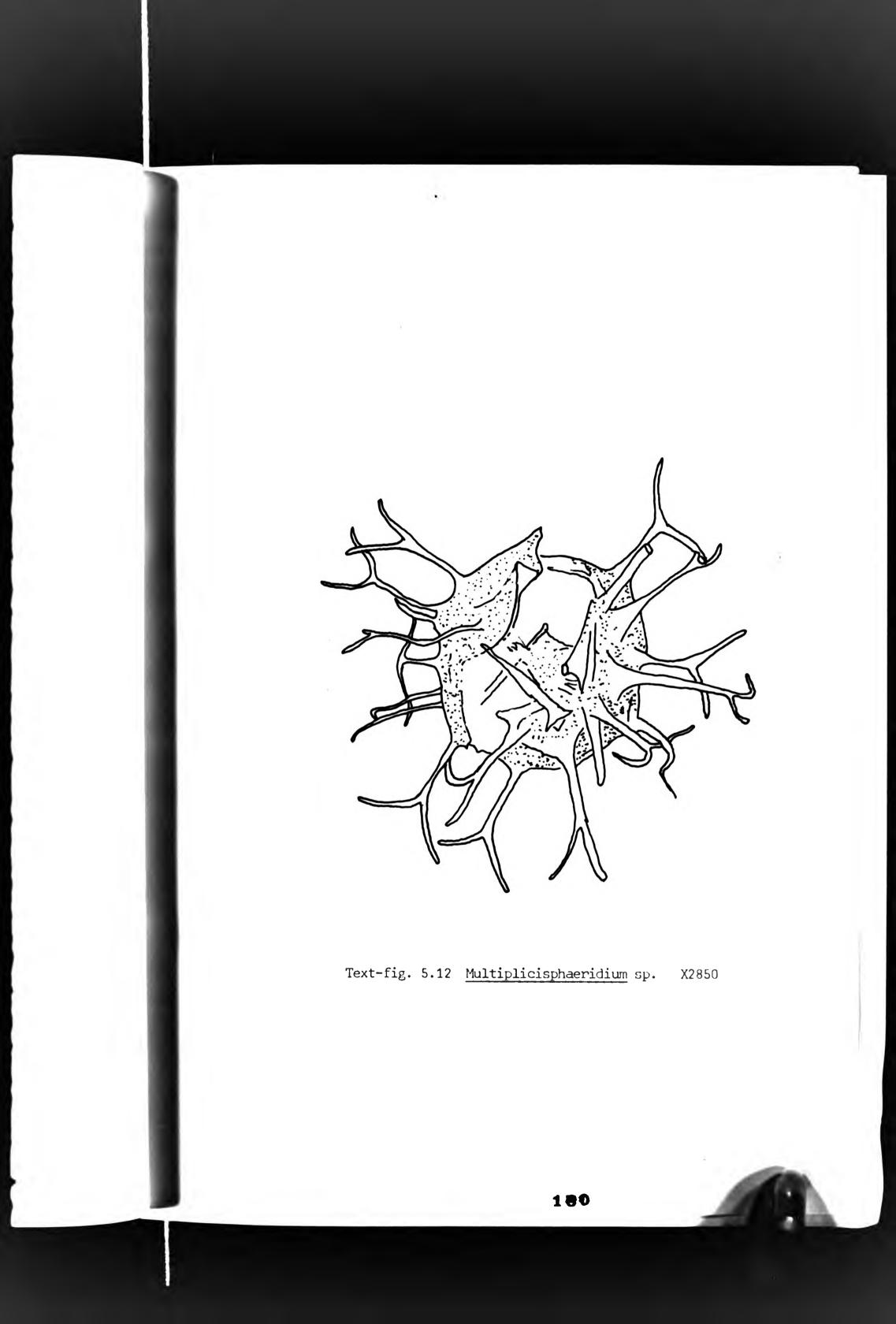
#### Genus MULTIPLICISPHAERIDIUM Staplin, 1961

<u>Diagnosis</u> Vesicle ellipsoidal to spherical; processes seperate, narrowbased, tips multifurcate, expanded, dissected or otherwise modified but not open; processes all of one type, not differentiated into distinctive orders or kinds of processes; wall surface exclusive of processes laevigate to finely granulose. (From Staplin, 1961; p410)

Type species Multipicisphaeridium ramispinosum Staplin, 1961

Multiplicisphaeridium sp.

(Pl.32, figs.9-11; text-fig. 5.12)



<u>Description</u> A species of <u>Multiplicisphaeridium</u> having a small spherical to subspherical shell which is smooth and gives rise to about 20 seperate, hollow processes. Processes bifurcate and closed distally. A split-like opening is observed in some specimens.

<u>Dimensions</u> Diameter of shell: 18-21 mu Length of processes:8-12 mu (3 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Three specimens only were recorded from the upper Callovian (<u>athleta</u>) of the Warlingham section. The morphological features exhibited by specimens here closely fit the generic diagnosis of Staplin, 1961, p410. The bifurcate processes are distinctive, differentiating it from species of Micrhystridium.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.985 to Br.947 U.Callovian (athleta).

Genus <u>SOLISPHAERIDIUM</u> Staplin, Jansonius & Pocock, 1965 emend. Sarjeant, 1968

<u>Diagnosis</u> Shell spherical, with a relatively firm and rigid wall. Spines hollow or solid, straight or curving, with closed tips; the spine-cavity, where present, typically communicates with the shell interior. Length of spines variable. Pylome lacking; opening of shell by splitting or by loss of an irregularlyshaped piece of the shell wall. Mean shell diameter typically greater than 20mu. (From Sarjeant, 1968, p222)

Type species Solisphaeridium stimuliferum (Deflandre, 1938) Staplin, Jansonius & Pocock, 1965

> Solisphaeridium stimuliferum (Deflandre, 1938) Staplin, (Pl.32, figs.14-16) Jansonius & Pocock, 1965

1938Hystrichosphaeridium stimuliferum<br/>Deflandre: 1921960bBaltisphaeridium stimuliferum<br/>Solisphaeridium stimuliferum<br/>(Deflandre)<br/>Staplin, Jansonius &

Pocock: 183

Diagnosis Staplin, Jansonius & Pocock, 1965; p183; pl.18, figs.1,2; textfigs.3,10

<u>Description</u> Shell small, spherical to ovate in outline with a smooth, thin wall. The spines are hollow, conical, straight or curved and variable in length. The spine-cavities are connected with the shell-cavity.

<u>Dimensions</u> Diameter of shell: 20-22 mu Length of spines: 8.5-15 mu (4 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> <u>S.stimuliferum</u> has more spines than <u>S.claviculorum</u> (Deflandre, 1938) Sarjeant, 1968 which are not restricted proximally. Superficially, <u>S.stimuliferum</u> resembles <u>Micrhystridium fragile</u> Deflandre, 1947b, but is generally larger in size with broader spines.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.133 to WB.33 (middle <u>athleta</u> to <u>scarburghense</u>). Warlingham: Br.1880 to Br.115 (<u>calloviense</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>). Overall range: L.Callovian (<u>calloviense</u>) to M.Oxfordian (<u>vertebrale</u>).

Range Recorded throughout the Jurassic.

Solisphaeridium claviculorum (Deflandre, 1938) Sarjeant, 1968 (Pl.32, fig.13)

1938Hystrichosphaeridium claviculorumDeflandre:1911963Baltisphaeridium claviculorum(Deflandre) Downie & Sarjeant:911968Solisphaeridium claviculorum(Deflandre) Sarjeant:223

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1968; p223; pl.2, figs.13,15

<u>Description</u> Shell small, spheroidal, thin-walled bearing some 20 lanceolate spines. Shell wall smooth. Spines constricted proximally, tapering to a point distally.

<u>Dimensions</u> Diameter of shell: 25-26 mu Length of spines: 7.5-12 mu (2 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens identify closely with those of Sarjeant (1968). The proximally-restricted spines are distinctive and thereby is distinguished from <u>S.stimuliferum</u> (Deflandre, 1938) Staplin, Jansonius & Pocock, 1965, which also has fewer spines.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.108 to WB.33 (upper <u>athleta</u> to <u>scarburghense</u>). Warlingham: Br.1605 to Br.115 (<u>grossouvrei</u> to <u>vertebrale</u>).

Overall range: M.Callovian (grossouvrei) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

Range Previously recorded from the Upper Jurassic.

Subgroup PTEROMORPHITAE Downie, Evitt & Sarjeant, 1963

Genus <u>PTEROSPERMOPSIS</u> W.Wetzel, 1952

Diagnosis Spherical capsule of organic material with an equatoriallyplaced membranous fringe. (From Norris & Sarjeant, 1965; p52).

Type species Pterospermopsis danica W.Wetzel, 1952

Pterospermopsis harti Sarjeant, 1960b (Pl.32, fig.12)

Diagnosis Sarjeant, 1960b; p402; pl.14, fig.16; text-fig.3

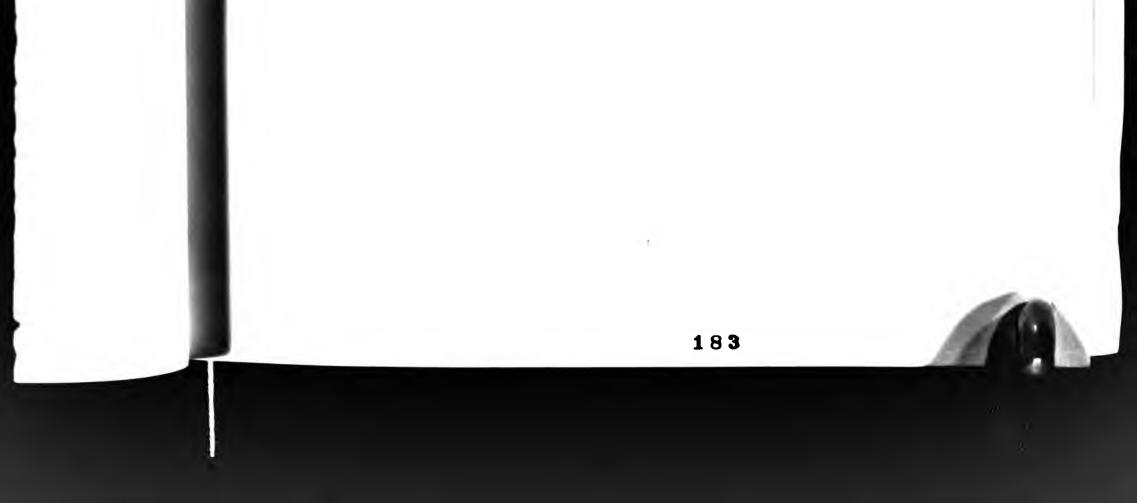
<u>Description</u> Shell small, circular to ovoidal in outline with a small, rounded central body surrounded by a radially-folded equatorial fringe.

DimensionsDiameter of central body: 10muWidth of fringe:5-6muOverall diameter:23mu(1 specimen only measured)

<u>Remarks</u> The equatorial fringe is distinctive. (The exact occurrence of <u>P.hartii</u> has not been recorded here).

Occurrence Occurs throughout both sequences.

Range Previously recorded from the Upper Jurassic.



Group INCERTAE SEDIS

Gen. et sp. indet. A (P1.33, figs.1-3)

<u>Description</u> An intermediate size proximochorate cyst, subrounded to ovoidal in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is fairly thick and bears numerous processes which appear to arise from a reticulate mesh-work covering the surface of the cyst. The processes appear to be formed in rings arising from each reticulum and connected at their base, becoming seperate and capitate distally. Paratabulation present but obscure. Archaeopyle apical. Paracingulum a fairly wide area free of processes, situated at midpoint on the cyst. Parasulcus also present; broad, consisting of a number of paraplates.

Dimensions Overall length of cyst: 38-55 mu Overall width of cyst: 38-52 mu (7 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> The paratabulation features and development of an archaeopyle clearly indicate that this is a dinoflagellate cyst. Specimens could possibly be assigned to <u>Valensiella</u> Eisenack, 1963a, but lack an outer membranous layer, although it is possible that this could have been destroyed during preservation.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.211 to WB.28 (medea to scarburghense). Warlingham: Br.1118 to Br.115 (athleta to vertebrale). Overall Range: M.Callovian (medea) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

> Gen. et sp. indet. B (Pl.33,figs.4-8; text-fig. 5.13)

Description An intermediate size proximate cyst, holocavate in form, subspherical to subpentagonal in outline. Cyst wall consists of two layers;

the endophragm is broadly-rounded in outline, filling most of the central cavity and densely-ornamented with coarse rugae, giving a warty-appearance. The autophragm is thin and smooth, covering the entire cyst and extended apically to form a low conical process. Paratabulation is present in some specimens but indeterminate, although an apical paraplate (1') and six precingular paraplates (6") are visible on some specimens; where present, paratabulation seen on endophragm only. Some specimens develop faintly-determinable parasutural crests on the autophragm with short spines; but specimens never exhibit paratabulation features on both endophragm and autophragm. Archaeopyle complex, some specimens exhibiting an apical architecture of the specimens and autophragm.

Group INCERTAE SEDIS

Gen. et sp. indet. A (P1.33, figs.1-3)

<u>Description</u> An intermediate size proximochorate cyst, subrounded to ovoidal in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is fairly thick and bears numerous processes which appear to arise from a reticulate mesh-work covering the surface of the cyst. The processes appear to be formed in rings arising from each reticulum and connected at their base, becoming seperate and capitate distally. Paratabulation present but obscure. Archaeopyle apical. Paracingulum a fairly wide area free of processes, situated at midpoint on the cyst. Parasulcus also present; broad, consisting of a number of paraplates.

Dimensions Overall length of cyst: 38-55 mu Overall width of cyst: 38-52 mu (7 specimens measured)

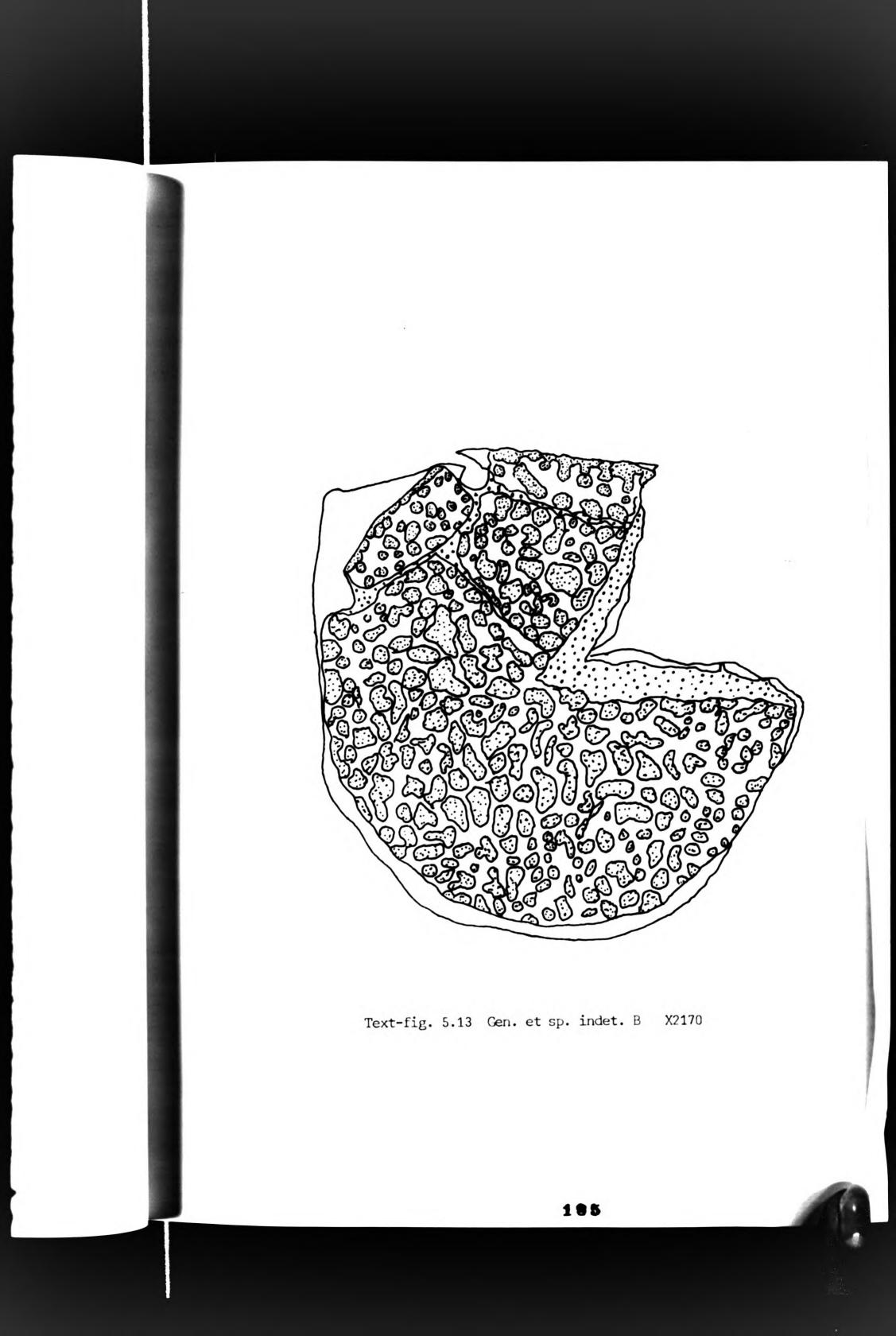
<u>Remarks</u> The paratabulation features and development of an archaeopyle clearly indicate that this is a dinoflagellate cyst. Specimens could possibly be assigned to <u>Valensiella</u> Eisenack, 1963a, but lack an outer membranous layer, although it is possible that this could have been destroyed during preservation.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.211 to WB.28 (medea to scarburghense). Warlingham: Br.1118 to Br.115 (athleta to vertebrale). Overall Range: M.Callovian (medea) to M.Oxfordian (vertebrale).

> Gen. et sp. indet. B (Pl.33, figs. 4-8; text-fig. 5.13)

Description An intermediate size proximate cyst, holocavate in form, subspherical to subpentagonal in outline. Cyst wall consists of two layers;

the endophragm is broadly-rounded in outline, filling most of the central cavity and densely-ornamented with coarse rugae, giving a warty-appearance. The autophragm is thin and smooth, covering the entire cyst and extended apically to form a low conical process. Paratabulation is present in some specimens but indeterminate, although an apical paraplate (1') and six precingular paraplates (6") are visible on some specimens; where present, paratabulation seen on endophragm only. Some specimens develop faintlydeterminable parasutural crests on the autophragm with short spines; but specimens never exhibit paratabulation features on both endophragm and autophragm. Archaeopyle complex, some specimens exhibiting an apical arch-



eopyle, whilst others exhibit a splitting along the paracingulum, indicating an epicystal archaeopyle; some specimens exhibit both. Paracingulum expressed on some specimens as a folded area at mid-point on the cyst.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 50-68 mu Overall width of cyst: 48-60 mu (7 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> The broad morphological features are that of a dinoflagellate cyst. However specimens cannot, as yet, be assigned to a known genus; designation of a new genus may be appropriate.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.224 to WB.43 (koenigi to scarburghense).

Warlingham: Br.1531 to Br.313 (grossouvrei to praecordatum). Overall range: L.Callovian (koenigi) to L.Oxfordian (praecordatum).

> Gen. et sp. indet. C (Pl.33, fig.13)

<u>Description</u> An intermediate size proximate cyst, broadly-rounded to ovoidal in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only; smooth to faintly granular. Paratabulation indicated by broad pandasutural areas to give the approximate formula: 1', ?5", Oc, 5"', 1"". The pandasutural areas are broad and deep, bordered by fairly high crests without ornamentation. Archaeopyle ?apical. Paracingulum broad, laevorotatory. Parasulcus narrow on epicyst, broadens on hypocyst.

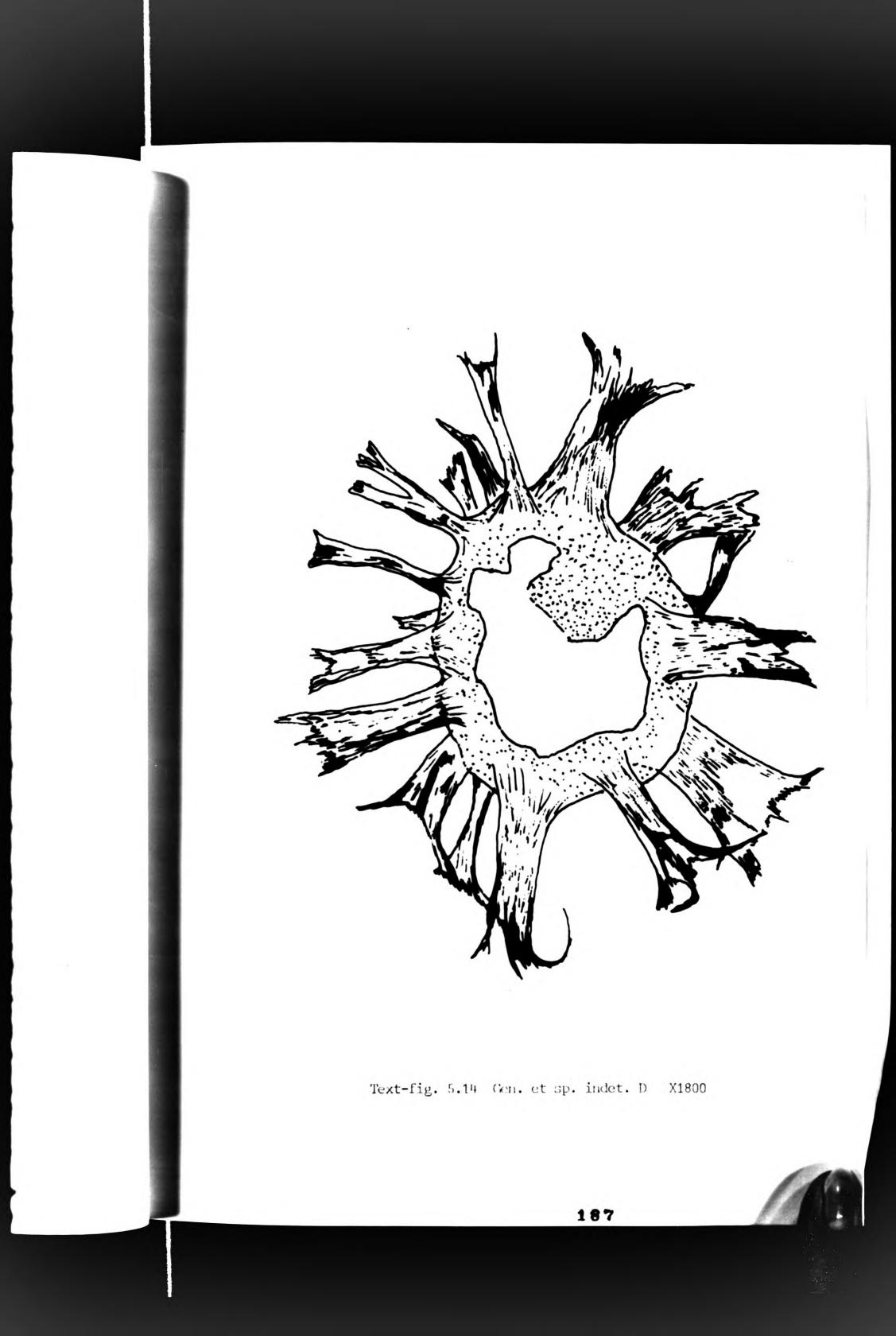
<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 50-53 mu Overall width of cyst: 45-47 mu (2 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> The broad morphological features clearly are those of a dinoflagellate cyst. The pandasutural areas are distinctive. Cannot, as yet, be assigned to an existing genus.

Occurrence Warboys: WB.178 (lower <u>athleta</u>); 2 specimens only. Warlingham: Br.1531 (<u>grossouvrei</u>); 1 specimen only. Overall range: M.Callovian (<u>grossouvrei</u>) to U.Callovian (lower <u>athleta</u>).

> Gen. et sp. indet. D (Pl.33, figs.9-12; text-fig. 5.14)

<u>Description</u> Intermediate to large skolochorate cyst, body subspherical in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is faintly granular and gives rise to 20 to 25 fibrous, hollow, intratabular processes.



Processes vary in thickness and length; fibrous in form and usually simple, although branching may occur; slightly trumpet-shaped and open distally with a ragged edge. Paratabulation indicated by the intratabular processs. Archaeopyle ?apical.

<u>Dimensions</u> Diameter of central body: 37-51 mu Length of processes: 20-30 mu (4 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens are morphologically similar to the Tertiāry genus <u>Cordosphaeridium</u> Eisenack, 1963b, emend Davey, 1969. The trumpet-shaped intratabular processes are very distinctive.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.500 to Br.292 L.Oxfordian (scarburghense to bulowskii).

Gen. et sp. indet. E (P1.34, fig.4)

<u>Description</u> A large skolochorate cyst, subspherical in outline with large trumpet-shaped processes which are openly-recurved distally. The processes are wide, hollow and fibrous.

Dimensions Overall diameter of cyst: 60mu

(1 specimen only)

<u>Remarks</u> A single, poorly-preserved specimen only, which, like Gen. et sp. indet. D., possibly belongs to <u>Cordosphaeridium</u>.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.246 L.Oxfordian (<u>corsticardia</u>); a single specimen.

Gen. et sp. indet. F (P1.32, figs.21a-c)

<u>Description</u> Small proximate cyst, pentagonal in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is smooth and gives rise to parasutural crests. The parasutural crests themselves give rise to a series of short spines which are capitate and connected distally. Paratabulation indicated by parasutural crests; gonyaulacacean, formula: 4', 6", 6c, 5"', ?1p, 1"". Archaeopyle precingular, type P (3" only); operculum free. Paracingulum strongly laevorotatory. Parasulcus strongly sinuous.

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<u>Dimensions</u> Overall length of cyst: 40 mu Overall width of cyst: 38 mu (1 specimen only) <u>Remarks</u> A single specimen only was encountered which clearly exhibits a gonyaulacacean paratabulation formula and possibly belongs to the genus <u>Hystrichogonyaulax</u> Sarjeant, 1969. It resembles <u>H.warboysensis</u> sp.nov. (herein), but is smaller and has parasutural spines which are connected distally.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.620 L.Oxfordian (scarburghense) a single specimen.

Gen. et sp. indet. G (P1.32, fig.20)

<u>Description</u> Small to intermediate proximochorate cyst, spheroidal to 'droplet'-shape in outline. Cyst wall consists of autophragm only which is smooth and gives rise to numerous small hollow processes; processes are isolated and recurved distally. Paratabulation not indicated. Archeopyle not indicated.

<u>Dimensions</u> Overall diameter of cyst: 50 mu (1 specimen only)

<u>Remarks</u> The broad morphological features clearly indicate that this specimen is a dinoflagellate cyst, although it cannot be assigned to a known genus. It resembles <u>Stephanelytron echinatum</u> sp.nov. (herein) but has no outer ectophragm or corona structure; the processes are also recurved distally.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.605 L.Oxfordian (scarburghense); a single specimen only.

Gen. et sp. indet. H (P1.32, fig.20)

Description A small proximochorate cyst, spheroidal in outline. Cyst

wall consists of autophragm only which gives rise to numerous processes whichbifurcate or trifurcate towards their distal tips, each branch being recurved slightly. Paratabulation not indicated. Archaeopyle ?apical.

Dimensions Overall length of cyst: 25 mu Overall width of cyst: 8.5 mu (1 specimen only)

<u>Remarks</u> The morphological features clearly indicate that this specimen is a dinoflagellate cyst, but a generic assignment has not been possible from this single specimen.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.884 U.Callovian (<u>lamberti/athleta</u>); a single specimen only.

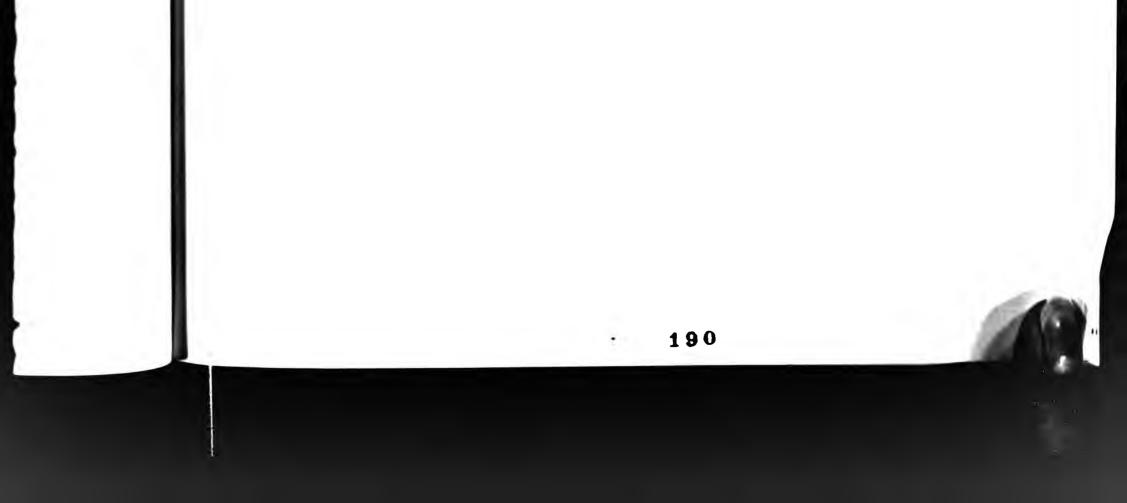
Gen. et sp. indet. I (Pl.32, figs.17,19)

<u>Description</u> A small subspherical to ellipsoidal cyst which is thickwalled and gives rise to numerous hair-like processes which give a dense covering to the cyst. The processes are about one-quarter of the shell diameter in length. The shell is usually split at some point on the surface.

Dimensions Diameter of shell: 30-33 mu Length of processes:7-10 mu (3 specimens measured)

<u>Remarks</u> Specimens are probably an acanthomorphic acritarch, although they tend to be somewhat larger than the majority of acritarchs. It broadly resembles <u>Micrhystridium densispinum</u> Valensi, 1953 in all except size.

Occurrence Warlingham: Br.727 to Br.368 L.Oxfordian (scarburghense to praecordatum).

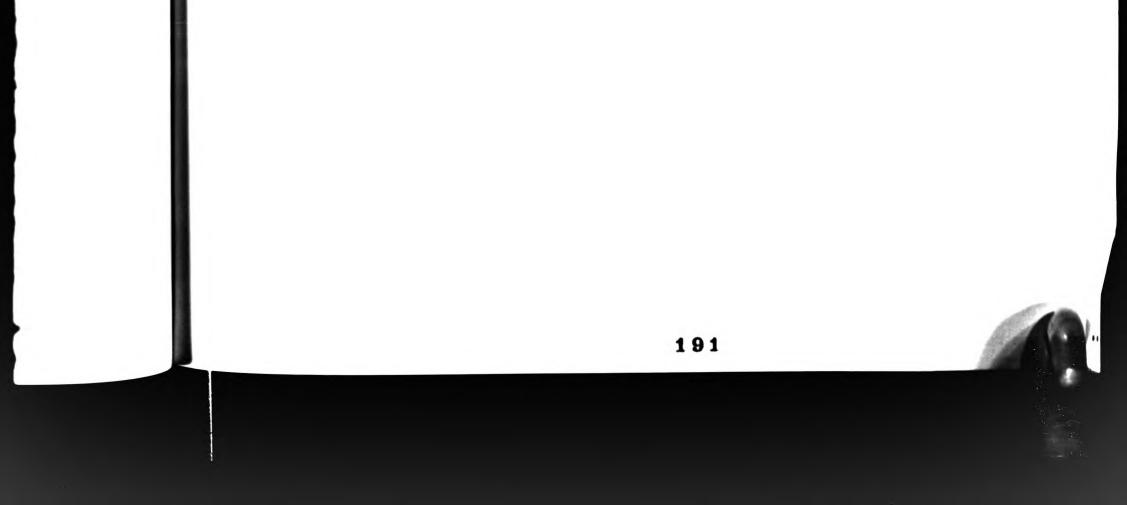


# Chapter six

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## STRATIGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION AND CORRELATION

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#### A. STRATIGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION

#### 1. General stratigraphical distribution of dinoflagellates

Dinoflagellate cysts have proved to be of considerable value in the biostratigraphy of marine Mesozoic and Caenozoic sediments. Sarjeant (1967c) and Harker and Sarjeant (1975), amongst others, have outlined the stratigraphical distribution of dinoflagellate cysts. More recently G.L. Williams (1977) has divided the Late Triassic, Jurassic, Cretaceous and Tertiary into thirty concurrent-range zones and twelve subzones, based on index species of dinoflagellate cysts together with associated assemblages characteristic of each zone and subzone. Williams claims that these assemblages are usually cosmopolitan in the Jurassic, Cretaceous, Palaeocene and Eocene, and regional in the Oligocene, Miocene and Pliocene. (The merits of this scheme as applied to the present study are discussed later in this chapter).

In relation to other parts of the geological column, the Jurassic has been studied in some considerable detail - a consequence of the extensive hydrocarbon exploration programme carried out over the last quarter of a century. However, as pointed out by Davey and Riley (1978), much of the data obtained is filed away in confidential company reports and there is still a lack of published research papers. Much of the early work by authors in the 1960's and early 1970's, particularly that of W.AS.Sarjeant, has been updated by more recent studies.

The first major attempts to provide comprehensive range-charts for Jurassic microplankton was made by Riley and Sarjeant (1972). More recently Davey and Riley (op.cit.) have produced charts summarising some of the data currently available for North-West Europe and adjacent areas. Species and morphological groups depicted by them are considered to be stratigraphically significant and/or morphologically diagnostic. Sarjeant (1979) has extended the known data to include the "whole world (excluding North America)" in producing a new zonal scheme for the Middle and Upper Jurassic. In practice however, the 'world' in his paper is restricted to North-West Europe and Greenland! Although Sarjeant's paper appeared in 1979, the data included had not been updated since the original manuscript was submitted in 1977; the work is therefore contemporary with that of Davey and Riley (op.cit).

In the present study the ranges of the majority of species as recorded in chapter 5 are compared with the published ranges of Davey and Riley (op.cit) and Sarjeant (op.cit), these being the most recently

published range-charts available. Ammendments have been made where appropriate.

## 2. <u>Stratigraphical Distribution of Dinoflagellates in the Callovian and</u> Oxfordian

G.L. Williams (1977) and Sarjeant (1979) have divided the Callovian and Oxfordian into a number of zones based on dinoflagellate cysts (fig.6.1). Davey and Riley (1978), whilst not providing a zonal scheme, have noted certain characteristic species and assemblages within the Callovian and Oxfordian. A brief description of each scheme is given here.

a) Zonation scheme of G.L. Williams (1977)

Williams divides the Lower Callovian to Middle Oxfordian into three concurrent-range zones, each being characterised by the following assemblages:

Adnatosphaeridium caulleryi zone (= Early Callovian) Based on assemblages from Southern England, and Scotia Shelf-Grand Banks. Species include: Adnatosphaeridium caulleryi, A. fillamentosum Cleistosphaeridium tribuliferum, Gonyaulacysta jurassica, Hystrichogonyaulax cladophora, Meiourogonyaulax cristulata, M. rioultii, Millioudodinium ambigua, Polystephanephorous paracalathus and Scriniodinium crystallinum.

Adnatosphaeridium aemulum zone (= Late Callovian) Based on assemblages from Poland (Gorka, 1970), France, Southern England and Scotia Shelf-Grand Banks. Species include: Adnatosphaeridium aemulum, Aldorfia aldorfensis, Cleistosphaeridium lumectum, Ctenidodinium ornatum, C. pachydermum, Ellipsoidictyum cinctum, Hexagonifera jurassica, Leptodinium regale, Lithodinia jurassica, Meiourogonyaulax deflandrei, Sentusidinium pilosum, S.rioultii, S. verrucosum, S. villersense, Stephanelytron caytonense, S. scarburghense,

Surculosphaeridium vestitum, Systematophora cf. areolata, Tubotuberella dangeardii, Valensiella ampulla, V. ovulum, Wanaea digitata and W. fimbriata.

Gonyaulacysta jurassica zone (= Oxfordian)

Recognised throughout Western Europe, Scotia Shelf and Grand Banks, and in Arctic Canada. In Southern England it is divided into 3 subzones:

(i) <u>Polystephanephorous clathus - Hystrichosphaeridium polonicum</u> (?= Compositosphaeridium costatum) subzone (= Lower Oxfordian)

Text-fig. 6.1

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The zonation schemes of Williams (1977) and Sarjeant(1979) for the Callovian to Middle Oxfordian, based on dinoflagellate cysts



nt(1979)

FORM	STAGE	ZONE	SUB ZONE	WILLIAMS 1977		SARJEANT 1979		
	M. OX - FORDIAN	plicatilis	vertibrale		A.filla- mentosum	Stephanelytron redcliffense		
		15	cordatum	ica	Ê			
	LOWER OXFORDIAN	cordatum	corsti- cardia	Gonyaulacysta jurassica	is calathus / ium polonicum eridium costatum)			
UPPER OXFOND CLAY			bulowskii					
			pree- cordatum					
		mariae	scarburg- hense	Gonyaul	Polystephanephorous cala Hystrichosphaeridium pol (?= Compositoephaeridium	Wanaea		
		lamberti				fimbriata		
MIDDLE OXFORD CLAY	UPPER CALLOVIAN	u athleta m		Adnatosphaeridium aemulum				
LOWER OXFORD CLAY					-?			
OXFO	MIDDLE	coronatum	gross- ouvrei					
ER			obductum	Adnatosphaeridium				
No.		jason	(jason)			Polystephanephorous		
	ļ	(medea)		caulleryi		paracalathus		
ALLL AWAYS	LOWER	calloviense	enodatum calloviense	4				
FLL	ארו	Chall State	(koenigi)					
		Chohaha	(kampfus)			<u>M. callomonii</u>		

Characterised by the presence of: Acanthaulax paliuros, Apteodinium nuciforme, Cleistosphaeridium tribuliferum, Eisenackia, Gonyaulacysta jurassica, Hystrichogonyaulax nealei, Hystrichosphaeridium polonicum (? = Compositosphaeridium costatum), Pareodinia ceratophora, Polystephanephorous calathus, Prolixosphaeridium granulosum, Senoniasphaera spp., Sentusidinium pilosum and Stephanelytron redcliffense.

(ii) Adnatosphaeridium filamentosum subzone (= Middle Oxfordian) Charactersied by the following species: Adnatosphaeridium aemulum, A. filamentosum, Ctenidodinium spp. (especially C. ornatum), Hystrichogonyaulax cladophora, Hystrichosphaerina orbifera, Pluriarvalium osmingtonense, Systematophora fasciculigera and Tubotuberella eisenackii.

(iii) Hystrichosphaerina orbifera subzone (= Upper Oxfordian) Species of Gonyaulacysta dominate in abundance and variability. Other species include: Chytroeisphaeridia chytroeides, Cleistosphaeridium tribuliferum, Gonyaulacysta jurassica, Hystrichogonyaulax cladophora, Hystrichosphaerina orbifera, Lanterna bulgarica, Occisucysta spp., Palaeostomocystis spp., Scriniocassis dictyotus, Scriniodinium crystallinum and Sentusidinium rioultii.

#### b) Zonation scheme of Sarjeant (1979)

In his zonation scheme for the Middle and Upper Jurassic, Sarjeant has divided the Callovian and Oxfordian into four 'parazones' (fig. 6.1). (Because the geological column has already been subdivided into zones by the use of fossils that are characteristic of particular systems (ammonites in the case of the Jurassic), Sarjeant suggests that the term 'parazone' is used for any subsequent zonation based on other fossil groups).

Meiourogonyaulax callomonii parazone (= Upper Bathonian - aspidoides to Lower Callovian - macrocephalus).

Characterised by nine species of Meiourogonyaulax: M. callomonii,

M. ?cantrellii, M. caytonensis, M. cristulata, M. decapitata,

M. insulofigurata, M. reticulata, M. strongylos and M. valensii., and four species of Pareodinia: P. apotomocerastes, P. ceratophora, P. groenlandica and P. prolongata. Species of Chytroeisphaeridia and Sentusidinium are also prominant. Ctenidodinium and genera with cavate cysts are subordinate, including Gonyaulacysta.

Polystephanephorous paracalathus parazone (= Lower Callovian - calloviense to Middle Callovian - coronatum).

Characterised by an abundance of Gonyaulacysta. Polystephanephorous

paracalathus is prominent. Assemblages consist of Adnatosphaeridium spp., Cleistosphaeridium spp., Apteodinium nuciforme, Gonyaulacysta jurassica and Hystrichogonyaulax cladophora. Meiouorogonyaulax is of diminished importance.

<u>Wanaea fimbriata</u> parazone (= Upper Callovian - <u>athleta</u> to Lower Oxfordian - cordatum).

Characterised by the genus Wanaea. Gonyaulacysta and related genera are numerous and varied, including Heslertonia. Acanthaulax appears to be restricted to this parazone. Species of Polystephanephorous, Surculosphaeridium, Compositosphaeridium, Prolixosphaeridium, Endoscrinium, Scriniodinium and Sentusidinium are present. Systematophora and Stephanelytron appear towards the top of the parazone.

Stephanelytron redcliffense parazone (= Middle Oxfordian - plicatilis to Lower Kimmeridgian - baylei).

Gonyaulacysta jurassica is extremely numerous. Gonyaulacysta and other related genera including Acanthaulax, Leptodinium, Hystrichogonyaulax and Tubotuberella are abundant. Systematophora, Adnatosphaeridium and Surculosphaeridium are prominent, as are species of Endoscrinium and Scriniodinium. Sentusidinium pilosum is a noteworthy species, together with species of Stephanelytron. Ctenidodinium ornatum and species of Wanaea fade out early in this parazone. Nannoceratopsis, Compositosphaeridium and Taeniophora also dissappear here.

#### c) Davey and Riley (1978)

Whilst not providing a zonation scheme for the Callovian and Oxfordian, Davey and Riley note particular assemblages at certain stratigraphic horizons. For example, the *Lithodinia caytonensis* group, together with the *Ctenidodinium gochtii/kettonensis* plexus (included in the present work under *Ctenidodinium pachydermum* ), figure prominently in Early Callovian assemblages. They also note that *Wanaea acollaris* and the *Lithodinia caytonensis* group become extinct within the Callovian.

Several "typically Oxfordian" taxa appear within the Late Callovian, including Acanthaulax senta, Wanaea digitata and species of Stephanelytron. The top of the Callovian is marked by the highest occurrence of Pareodinia prolongata and a downsection influx of Mendicodinium groenlandicum.

Species which have stratigraphical 'tops' within the Oxfordian include Compositosphaeridium costatum, Acanthaulax senta and Ctenidodinium ornatum. Wanaea digitata, W. fimbriata and elements of the Kalyptea stegasta group are restricted to Early Oxfordian and older assemblages.

Although detailed comparisons between these three authors reveal a number of variances, there are certain broad similarities. The Callovian/ Oxfordian may be broadly divided into the following three units:

3 MIDDLE & UPPER OXFORDIAN	= Hystrichosphærina orbifera and
	Adnatosphaeridium filamentosum subzones
	of Williams (1977), and Stephanelytron
	redcliffense parazone of Sarjeant (1979)
2 LOWER OXFORDIAN &	= Adnatosphaeridium aemulum zone and
UPPER CALLOVIAN	Polystephanephorous calathus /
	Hystrichodinium polonicum (=?Composito-
	sphaeridium costatum) subzone of
	Williams (1977), and <u>Wanaea fimbriata</u>
	parazone of Sarjeant (1979).

1 LOWER & MIDDLE CALLOVIAN = Adnatosphaeridium caulleryii zone of Williams (1977), and Polystephanephorous & Meiourogonyaulax callomonii parazones of Sarjeant (1979).

1 LOWER & MIDDLE CALLOVIAN

Both Sarjeant and Williams have the following taxa in common: Adnatosphaeridium, Cleistosphaeridium, Meiourogonyaulax, Polystephanephorous paracalathus and Gonyaulacysta group (especially G. jurassica and Hystrichogonyaulax cladophora). Davey and Riley also note that Dichadogonyaulax (now Ctenidodinium) figure prominently in Early Callovian assemblages. They also include Sentusidinium rioultii plus two of the four species of Pareodinia (P. ceratophora and P. prolongata) mentioned by Sarjeant as being characteristic of the Early Callovian.

2 LOWER OXFORDIAN & UPPER CALLOVIAN

The following taxa are common to both Sarjeant and Williams: Compositosphaeridium, Ctenidodinium ornatum, Gonyaulacysta group,

Polystephanephorous, Prolixosphaeridium, Sentusidinium (especially S. rioultii, S. verrucosum and S. villersense), Surculosphaeridium, Valensiella and Wanaea.

Sarjeant (1979) considers members of the Stephanelytron group to appear in the Lower Oxfordian only (although he notes that *s. caytonense* occurs in the Upper Callovian - <u>lamberti</u> zone). Williams (1977) however notes *s. caytonense* and *s. scarburghense* occurring in the Late Callovian, with *s. redcliffense* appearing in the Lower Oxfordian (also followed by Davey and Riley (1978)). Wanaea is also an important taxon with the first occurrence of *W. fimbriata* marking the Callovian/Oxfordian boundary.

Davey and Riley (1978) likewise note that this boundary is delineated by the highest occurrence of *Pareodinia prolongata*.

There are however important differences between the assemblages described by Williams and Sarjeant. Whilst both agree that the Gonyaulacysta group becomes important and diverse, Acanthaulax senta and Heslertonia are not mentioned by Williams, neither are the important genera Scriniodinium and Systematophora.

#### 3 MIDDLE & UPPER OXFORDIAN

The following taxa are common to both Sarjeant and Williams: Adnatosphaeridium, Ctenidodinium, Gonyaulacysta group, (including G. jurassica and Hystrichogonyaulax cladophora), Scriniodinium, Sentusidinium, Systematophora and Tubotuberella eisenackii. (Many of these taxa are also included in the assemblages described by Davey and Riley (1978) for the Middle and Upper Oxfordian).

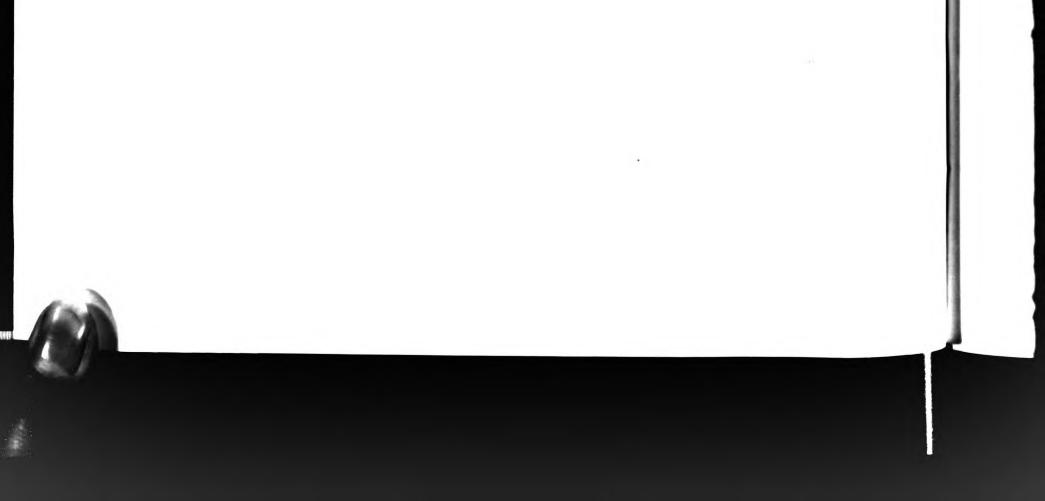
It will be noted from these comparisons that broad similarities are present between the assemblages of these larger stratigraphic units. There are however considerable disparities when the more precise stratigraphic ranges of individual taxa are compared and a more narrowly-defined zonal scheme attempted. It is clear that biostratigraphical studies of dinoflagellates are far from complete and considerably more research is neccessary to discover the more precise stratigraphical ranges of diagnostic taxa.

Because of their cosmopolitan nature (in terms of their known occurrence in fresh water to open-marine environments), dinoflagellate cysts are probably much more widely distributed than ammonites; they are, never-the-less, also controlled by environmental parameters. It is clear that a boreal population existed during Jurassic times, distinct in many aspects from the Tethyan population (see Norris, 1975). It is much more likely that other such populations will be recognised in the future. Even within a particular realm (such as the Jurassic Boreal) it is likely that there will be regional differences in assemblages, particularly if dinoflagellates are sensitive to fluctuations in such environmental parameters as temperature, water depth, current patterns etc., as they indeed appear to be. (These considerations and their implications for distribution patterns are discussed in chapter 7).

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List of total microplankton species present in the Warboys and Warlingham boreholes



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# 3. <u>Stratigraphical Distribution of Microplankton in the Callovian and</u> Oxfordian of the Warboys and Warlingham Boreholes.

a) Distribution in general terms

From a total of 48 microplankton genera (44 dinoflagellate taxa and 4 acritarch taxa) some 120 dinoflagellate species and 18 acritarch species were recorded from the material studied (see table 6.1). Of this total, 87 dinoflagellate species (72.5% of the total species recorded) and 16 acritarch species (88.8% of the total acritarch species recorded) were recorded from the Warboys borehole. In the Warlingham borehole 116 dinoflagellate species (96.6%) and 18 acritarch species (100%) were recorded. Of the total 138 species of microplankton, 98 (71%) were found occurring in both boreholes; 5 species (3.6%) were unique to Warboys and 35 species (25.4%) to Warlingham.

Figures 6.2 and 6.3 illustrate the ranges of the microplankton species as recorded in the Warboys and Warlingham boreholes respectively. In these charts the species are arranged in order of their last occurrence ('tops') and indication is given as to the relative abundance of species in each sample per 200 count.

The assemblages obtained are typical of the Callovian and Oxfordian and compare very closely with those described from North-West Europe (eg., Sarjeant, 1960b, 1961a, 1962b, 1965, 1968 etc.; Woollam, 1977; Lam and Porter, 1977; Davey and Riley, 1978). However, eight species are recorded from the Callovian and Oxfordian for the first time:

> Apteodinium granulatum, Cribroperidinium granuligerum, Ellipsoidictyum reticulatum, Hystrichodinium pulchrum, Meiourogonyaulax decapitata, Polysphaeridium deflandrei, Tubotuberella sphaerocepahalis and Nannoceratopsis plegas.

The known ranges of several other taxa are revised as a result of their occurrence at certain levels within the Callovian and Oxfordian here.

The following nine species are considered to be new and are here given provisional names:

Hystrichogonyaulax warboysensis, Kalyptea globulus, Kylindorcysta reticulata, Pareodinia warlinghamensis, Pareodinia wigginsi, Senoniasphaera oxfordiensis, Sentusidinium woollami, Stephanelytron eccentricum and Stephanelytron echinatum. It is interesting to note that when comparing the local-ranges of the same species in the two boreholes an intriguing regularity becomes apparent.

In most cases species occur earlier in Warboys than in Warlingham. The same

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Range charts for the Warboys and Warlingham boreholes based on the local-ranges of microplankton

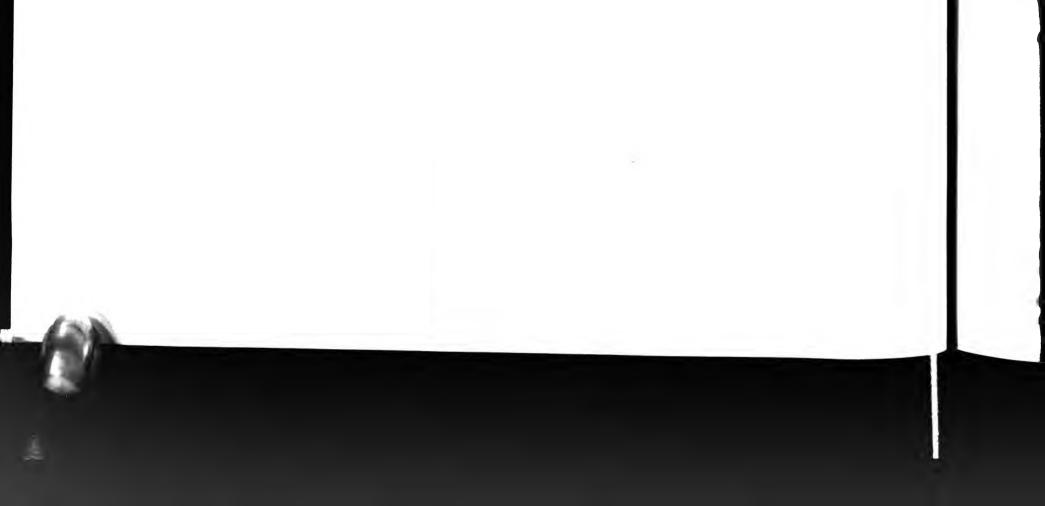
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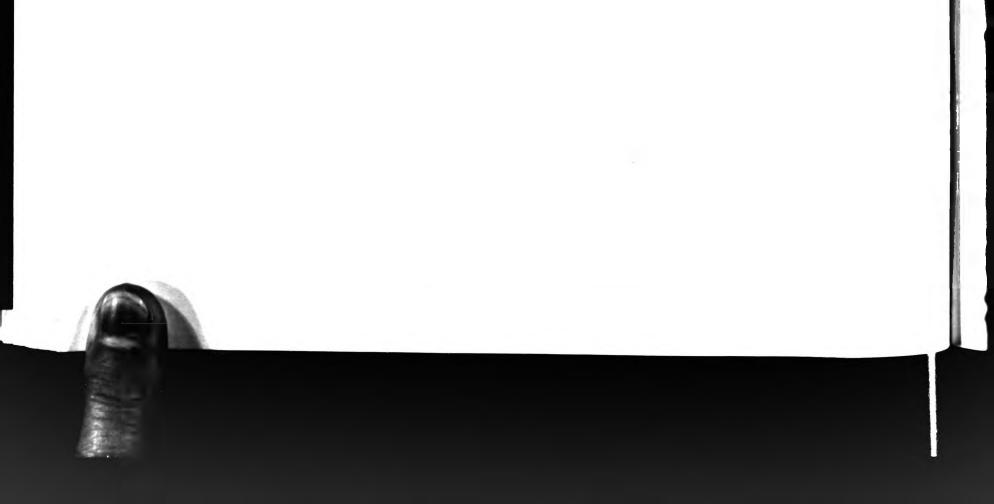


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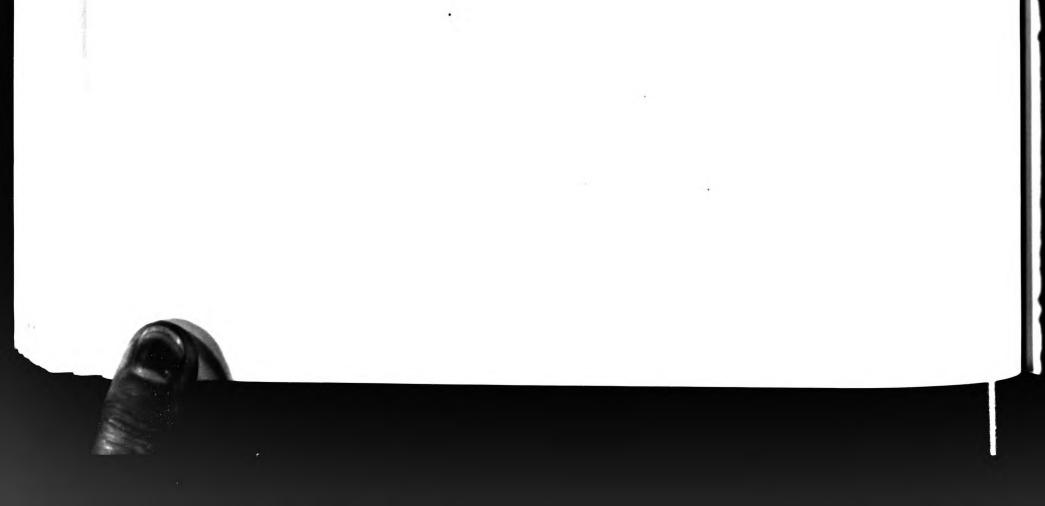
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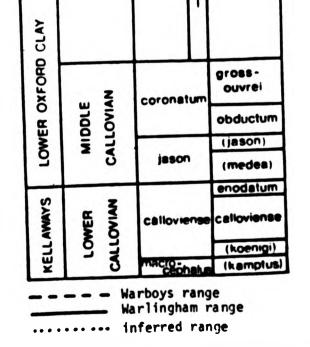
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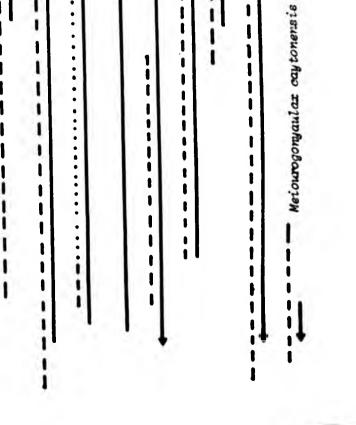
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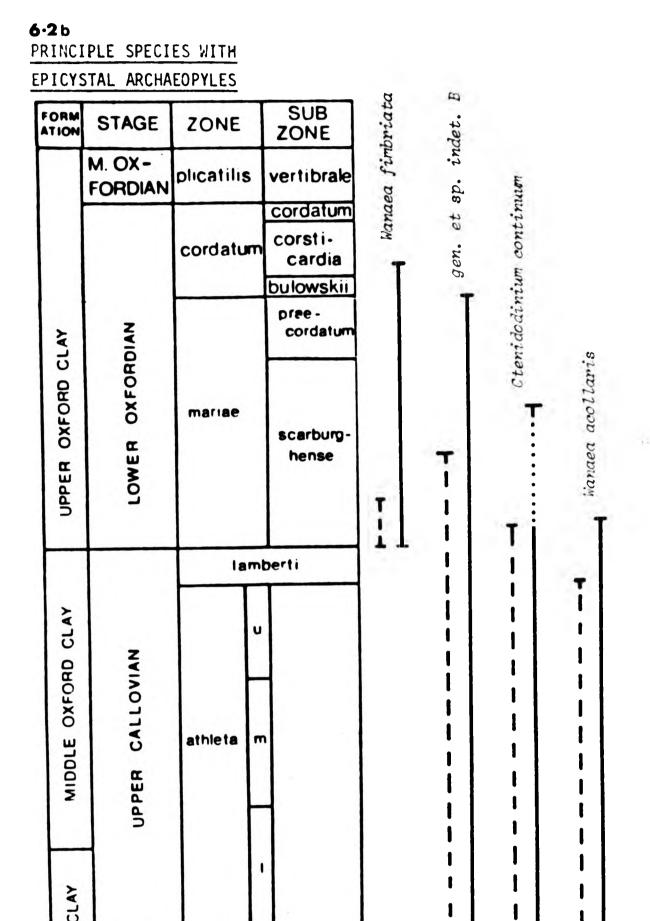


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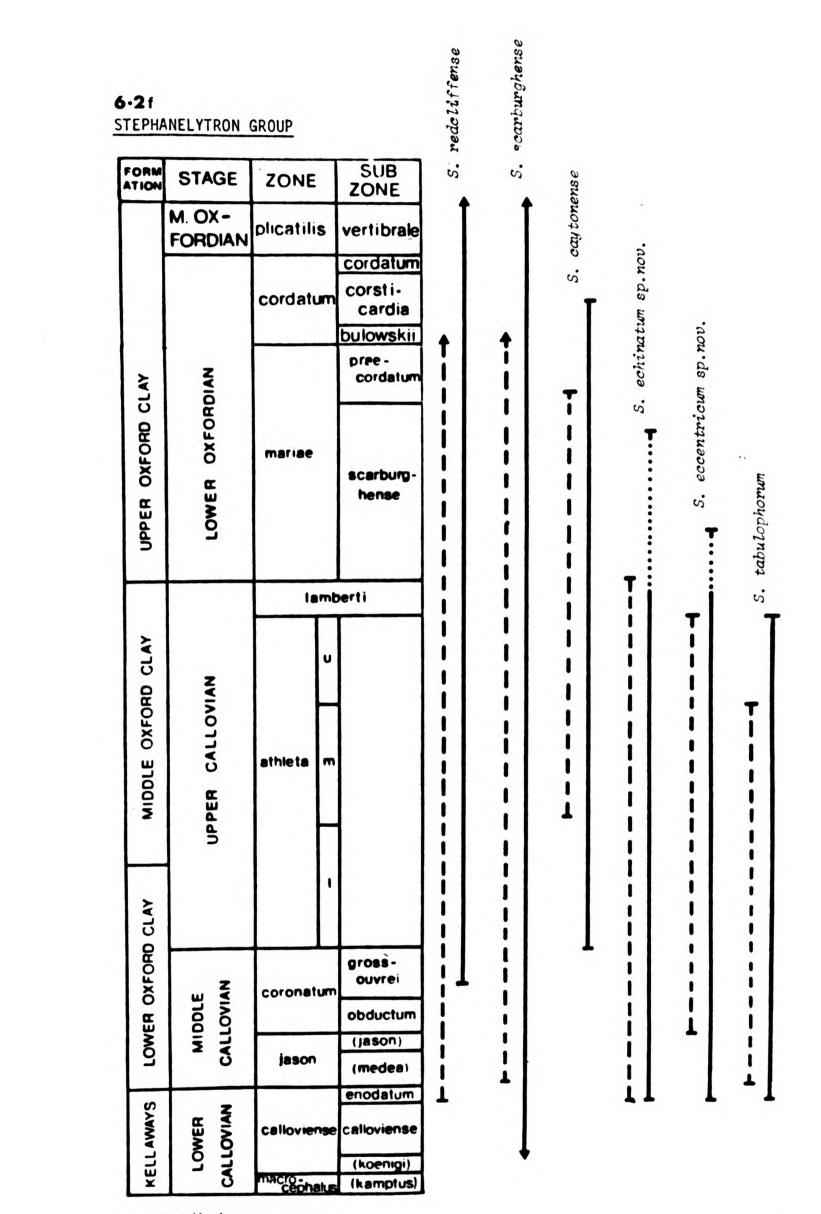
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applies to their extinction (see tables 6.2 a-f). The present author can offer no satisfactory explanation for this phenomenon.

Table 6.3 illustrates the main assemblages for each of the five stages: Lower, Middle and Upper Callovian, Lower and Middle Oxfordian, for the Warboys and Warlingham boreholes. Only species considered to make a significant contribution to the assemblages are included. Taxa which are particularly important constituents are marked \*; a + indicates that either a particular species appears for the first time in the stage, or else appears in significant numbers for the first time. Conversely, the symbol - indicates that the species occurs for the last time in a particular stage. It will follow that the symbols + and - together indicates that the species is unique to that particular stage and will therefore usually be of biostratigraphic importance.

b) Assemblages as compared with those described by Williams (1977) and Sarjeant (1979).

It is interesting to compare the assemblages described by both Williams (1977) and Sarjeant (1979), which define their zonal schemes (fig.6.1), with the assemblages recorded in the present study. Similarities are apparent but there is considerable disparity at certain levels within the sequence.

### 1) Williams (1977)

Adnatosphaeridium caulleryi zone has the following six species in common with the present assemblages: Adnatosphaeridium caulleryii, Cleistosphaeridium tribuliferum, Gonyaulacysta jurassica, Meiourogonyaulax cristulata and Polystephanephorous. Williams included the first appearance of Scriniodinium crystallinum as one of the delineating features of this zone; however, at both Warboys and Warlingham, S. crystallinum does not appear until latest Upper Callovian, becoming common in the Lower Oxfordian.

Adnatosphaeridium aemulum zone has the following twelve species in

common with the present assemblages: Adnatosphaeridium aemulum, Cleistosphaeridium lumectum, Ctenidodinium ornatum, Ellipsoidictyum cinctum, Palaeostomocystis spp., (includes P. tornatilis here), Sentusidinium pilosum, S. rioultii, S. verrucosum, Stephanelytron Caytonense, S. scarburghense (particularly abundant in the present assemblages), Tubotuberella dangeardii and Wanaea digitata. (It is interesting to note that Williams includes Wanaea fimbriata as a characteristic species of this zone when it is widely accepted that this species does not, in fact, appear until Earliest Oxfordian!)

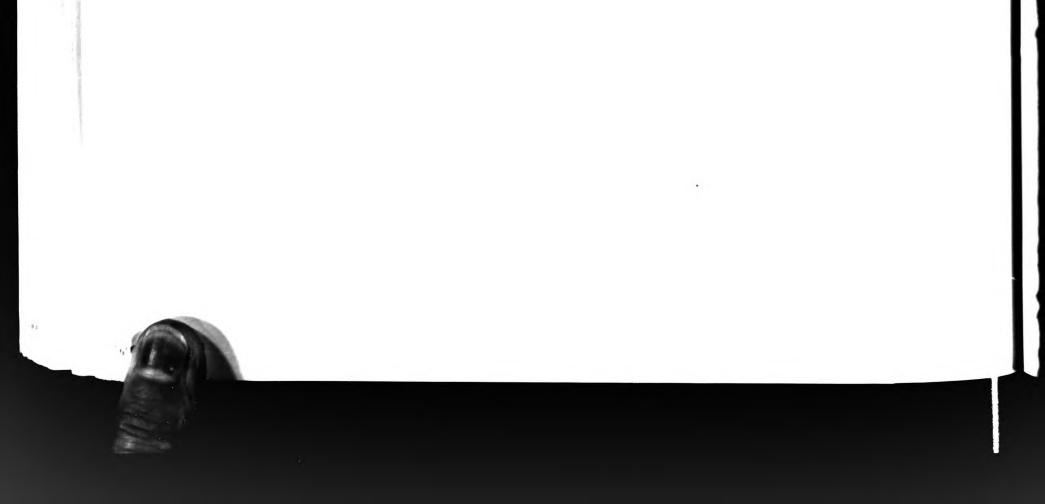
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Microplankton assemblages for each of the divisions Lower, Middle and Upper Callovian, Lower and Middle Oxfordian, from the Warboys and Warlingham boreholes



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#### Gonyaulacysta jurassica zone

(i) Polystephanephorous calathus / Hystrichodinium polonicum (?=

Compositosphaeridium costatum) subzone has the following eight species in common with the present assemblages: Apteodinium nuciforme, Cleistosphaeridium tribuliferum, Compositosphaeridium costatum (?= Hystrichodinium polonicum), Gonyaulacysta jurassica, Prolixosphaeridium granulosum (marks the top of this zone in both boreholes here), Senoniasphaera spp., (includes S. oxfordiensis sp.nov. here), Sentusidinium pilosum and Stephanelytron redcliffense.

(ii) <u>Adnatosphæeridium filamentosum</u> subzone has the following five species in common with assemblages from Warlingham only: *Ctenidodinium* ornatum, Tubotuberella eisenackii and Hystrichosphaerina orbifera. Adnatosphaeridium aemulum and Hystrichogonyaulax cladophora are particularly common here, in aggreement with Williams.

#### 2) Sarjeant (1979)

Meiourogonyaulax callomonii parazone has the following three species in common with assemblages here: Meiourogonyaulax caytonensis, M. cristulata and Pareodinia prolongata. Chytroeisphaeridia spp., and Sentusidinium spp., are also present. Gonyaulacysta jurassica and Ctenidodinium spp., are quite common here, and not subordinate as suggested by Sarjeant.

Polystephanephorous paracalathus parazone has only abundant Gonyaulacysta jurassica in common. Polystephanephorous paracalathus is present, but not a prominent species as Sarjeant suggests.

Wanaea fimbriata parazone has the following taxa in common with the present assemblages: Wanaea fimbriata, Gonyaulacysta jurassica and related genera including Heslertonia (H. teichophera here). All other

genera described by Sarjeant for this parazone are present in the assemblages here in varying abundancies. Of particular note is Acanthaulax senta whose range limits as recorded in Warlingham define the top and bottom of this parazone, thus agreeing with Sarjeant. Sarjeant notes that Stephanelytron appears towards the top of this parazone, but almost all species of this genus occur in the Callovian here and in considerable abundance.

Stephanelytron redcliffense parazone. In agreement with Sarjeant, Gonyaulacysta jurassica, Adnatosphaeridium, Scriniodinium, Surculosphaeridium and Systematophora are all abundant in the equivalent horizon at Warlingham. Ctenidodinium ornatum also fades

#### Gonyaulacysta jurassica zone

(i) Polystephanephorous calathus / Hystrichodinium polonicum (?=

Compositosphaeridium costatum) subzone has the following eight species in common with the present assemblages: Apteodinium nuciforme, Cleistosphaeridium tribuliferum, Compositosphaeridium costatum (?= Hystrichodinium polonicum), Gonyaulacysta jurassica, Prolixosphaeridium granulosum (marks the top of this zone in both boreholes here), Senoniasphaera spp., (includes S. oxfordiensis sp.nov. here), Sentusidinium pilosum and Stephanelytron redcliffense.

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Stephanelytron redcliffense parazone. In agreement with Sarjeant, Gonyaulacysta jurassica, Adnatosphaeridium, Scriniodinium, Surculosphaeridium and Systematophora are all abundant in the equivalent horizon at Warlingham. Ctenidodinium ornatum also fade

#### Gonyaulacysta jurassica zone

(i) Polystephanephorous calathus / Hystrichodinium polonicum (?=

Compositosphaeridium costatum) subzone has the following eight species in common with the present assemblages: Apteodinium nuciforme, Cleistosphaeridium tribuliferum, Compositosphaeridium costatum (?= Hystrichodinium polonicum), Gonyaulacysta jurassica, Prolixosphaeridium granulosum (marks the top of this zone in both boreholes here), Senoniasphaera spp., (includes S. oxfordiensis sp.nov. here), Sentusidinium pilosum and Stephanelytron redcliffense.

(ii) Adnatosphæridium filamentosum subzone has the following five species in common with assemblages from Warlingham only: Ctenidodinium ornatum, Tubotuberella eisenackii and Hystrichosphaerina orbifera. Adnatosphaeridium aemulum and Hystrichogonyaulax cladophora are particularly common here, in aggreement with Williams.

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Stephanelytron redcliffense parazone. In agreement with Sarjeant, Gonyaulacysta jurassica, Adnatosphaeridium, Scriniodinium, Surculosphaeridium and Systematophora are all abundant in the equivalent horizon at Warlingham. Ctenidodinium ornatum also fades

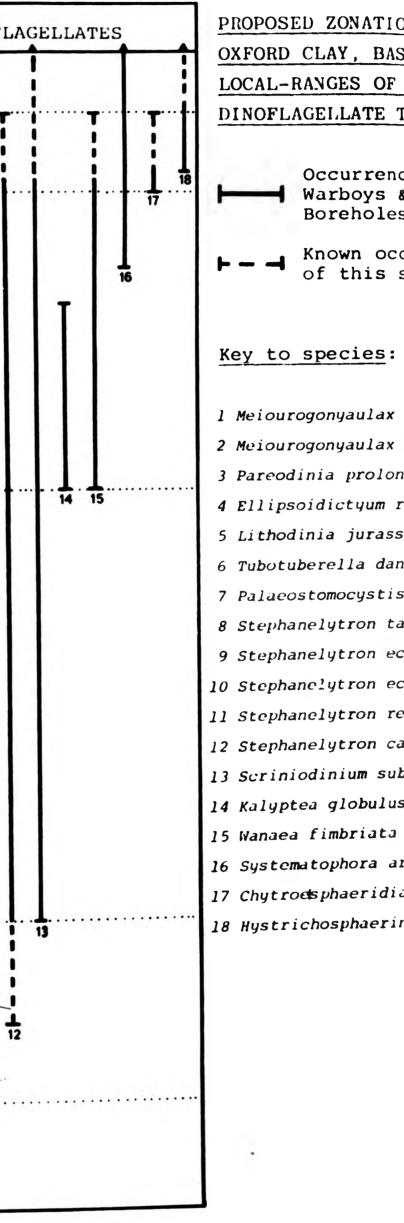
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Proposed zonation scheme for the Oxford Clay based on the local-ranges of diagnostic dinoflagellate taxa



		ZONE	LOCAL-RANGE ZONE	DIAGNOSTIC SPECIES OF DINOFL
A. OX - ORDIAN	plicatilis	vertibrale	Systematophora areolata	•
	cordatum	corsti	Hystrichosphaerina orbifera	
NAIC		bulowskii præ- cordatum		
LOWER OXFOR	mariae	scarburg- hense	Wanaea fimbriata	
	laml	L berti T		ΤΙΙΤ
UPPER CALLOVIAN			Lithodinia jurassica	
DLE DVIAN	coronatur		Mejourogonyaulay	
MID	jason	(jason) (medea)	caytonensis	
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PROPOSED ZONATION SCHEME FOR THE OXFORD CLAY, BASED ON THE LOCAL-RANGES OF SELECTED DINOFLAGELLATE TAXA

Occurrence within the Warboys & Warlingham Boreholes

Known occurrence outside of this study

# Key to species:

- l Meiourogonyaulax cristu\_lata
- 2 Meiourogonyaulax caytonensis
- 3 Pareodinia prolongata
- 4 Ellipsoidictyum reticulatum
- 5 Lithodinia jurassica
- 6 Tubotuberella dangeardii
- 7 Palaeostomocystis tornatilis
- 8 Stephanelytron tabulophorum
- 9 Stephanelytron eccentricum sp.nov.
- 10 Stephanelytron echinatum sp. nov.
- 11 Stephanelytron redcliffense
- 12 Stephanelytron caytonense
- 13 Scriniodinium subvallare
- 14 Kalyptea globulus sp.nov.
- 16 Systematophora areolata
- 17 Chytroesphaeridia cerastes
- 18 Hystrichosphaerina orbifera

out within the early part of this horizon.

#### 4) A Zonation Scheme Proposed for the Present Study

From the above comparison of the floras from the present study with the assemblages described by Williams (1977) and Sarjeant (1979), it is clear that no precise correlation can be made. There are certain elements of the assemblages in common, but it would be difficult to identify in total either of these zonation schemes in the Warboys and Warlingham boreholes. It seems that Arkell's first rule for zonation of the Jurassic using ammonites also applies to dinoflagellates:

> "Zones are units of more restricted purpose and use (than stages), but with special advantageous qualities which are lost if the area of their application is expanded farther than the ascertained facts of distribution admit. There must therefore always be seperate zonal tables for each faunal province" (Arkell, 1946, p30).

In view of this it seems appropriate to propose a tentative zonation scheme for the Oxford Clay based on the <u>local</u> ranges of certain diagnostic species of dinoflagellates. How far this scheme could be applied geographically is obviously open to the findings of future work. Norris (1975) suggests that several Callovian/Oxfordian species are cosmopolitan, occurring in the Canadian Arctic, western interior of North America, East Greenland, North-West Europe, Western Australia and New Guinea; e.g., Adnatosphaeridium aemulum, Ctenidodinium ornatum, Gonyaulacysta jurassica, Nannoceratopsis pellucida, Scriniodinium crystallinum, S. luridum and Wanaea digitata. All of these species are present in both Warboys and Warlingham. However, as is often the case with cosmopolitan species, they have long stratigraphical ranges and are consequently of limited use for detailed biostratigraphical work.

The scheme proposed here is based on the local ranges of 18 species considered to be diagnostic for the Oxford Clay and is illustrated

in figure 6.4. The following is a description of the local-range zones:

### Meiourogonyaulax cristulata local-range zone

The zone incorporates the Lower Callovian subzones <u>kamptus</u> to <u>calloviense</u>, and is characterised by the presence of the nominate taxon - M. cristulata whose known stratigraphic range is confined to this zone. The base of the zone has no definition and may or may not extend into the Bathonian below. The top of the zone is marked by the first occurrence of species of *Stephanelytron* (excluding *S. scarburghense* which first appears within this zone). Heslertonia teichophera,

Sirmiodinium grossii and Tubotuberella sphaerocephalis all appear for

the first time in this zone. Palaeostomocystis tornatilis first appears at the very top of the zone.

The assemblage is characterised by an abundance of Meiourogonyaulax caytonensis and Pareodinia ceratophora sub.sp. pachyceras. Other species include Batiacasphaera dictydia, Chytroeisphaeridia chytroeides, Cleistosphaeridium tribuliferum, C. polytrichum, Ctenidodinium continuum, C. ornatum, C. pachydermum, Gonyaulacysta jurassica, Kalyptea stegasta, Lithodinia jurassica, L. pocockii, Pareodinia prolongata, Scriniodinium galeritum, Sentusidinium pilosum, S. rioultii, S. varispinosum, S. villersense and Tubotuberella apatella, most of which range higher into the sequence. Micrhystridium fragile, M. sydus and M. polyhedricum are the main components of the acritarch assemblage.

#### Meiourogonyaulax caytonensis local-range zone

The top of the zone is tentatively placed at the Middle Callovian/ Upper Callovian transition (top of the grossouvrei subzone), and is marked here by the first appearance of *scriniodinium subvallare*. The base of the zone coincides with the base of the <u>enodatum</u> subzone (Lower Callovian) and is marked by the first occurrence of four species of *stephanelytron: S. redcliffense, S. tabulophorum, S. eccentricum sp.nov., and S. echinatum sp.nov. S. caytonense* also appears for the first time within the zone. The range of the nominate taxon extends into the lower half of the zone, dissappearing in the <u>coronatum</u> zone.

The following four species appear for the first time within the zone: Apteodinium granulatum, Reutlingia gochtii, Wanaea digitata and Gen. et sp. indet. B. Important new constituents of the assemblage are Hystricogonyaulax cladophora, Pareodinia ceratophora sub.sp. scopeus, Sentusidinium verrucosum and Chlamydophorella sp.B. Lithodinia pocockii, Sentusidinium pilosum and S. rioultii become very abundant. The following taxa become subordinate: Adnatosphaeridium, Ctenidodinium,

Cleistosphaeridium tribuliferum, Ellipsoidictyum cinctum, Heslertonia teichophera, Lithodinia jurassica and Pareodinia ceratophora sub.sp., pachyceras. Many of the long-ranging species of acritarchs become abundant for the first time in the zone, continuing as such throughout the sequence.

# Lithodinia jurassica local-range zone

Constitutes the whole of the Upper Callovian (<u>athleta</u> and <u>lamberti</u> zones). The base of the zone is marked by the first occurrence of *scriniodinium subvallare* and the top by that of *Wanaea fimbriata* 

and Kalyptea globulus sp.nov., thus delineating the Callovian/Oxfordian boundary. Both Pareodinia prolongata and Stephanelytron tabulophorum become extinct at or near the top of the zone. There is a very marked influx of acritarchs at, or just below, the base of the zone. The following five species occur for the first time within the zone: Dinopterygium absidatum, Pareodinia alaskensis, P. warlinghamensis sp.nov., P. wigginsi sp.nov., and Sentusidinium woollami sp.nov. The nominate taxon is very abundant and becomes extinct just within the base of the succeeding Wanaea fimbriata zone.

Adnatosphaeridium aemulum, Compositosphaeridium costatum, Hystrichodinium pulchrum, Pareodinia ceratophora sub.sp. scopeus, Polysphaeridium deflandrei, Stephanelytron caytonense and Surculosphaeridium vestitum all appear in significant numbers for the first time. Sentusidinium verrucosum is a prominent species at the base of the zone. Chytroeisphaerdia chytroeides, Gonyaulacysta jurassica, Lithodinia pocockii, Sentusidinium pilosum, S.rioultii, Stephanelytron scarburghense and Tubotuberella apatella are all important constituents of the assemblage, often becoming very abundant, whilst Nannoceratopsis pellucida becomes subordinate.

#### Wanaea fimbriata local-range zone

Constitutes the interval between the <u>scarburghense</u> and <u>bulowskii</u> sub-zones of the Lower Oxfordian. The base of the zone is marked by the first appearance of the nominate taxon and also Kalyptea globulus sp.nov. The top is defined by the extinction levels of Ellipsoidictyum reticulatum, Palaeostomocystis tornatilis and Tubotuberella dangeardii.

Belodinium asaphum, Leptodinium gongylos, Senoniasphaera oxfordiensis sp.nov., and Systematophora areolata all appear for the first time within the zone; Acanthaulax senta and Dinopterygium absidatum becoming significant constituents of the assemblage. Lithodinia

jurassica and Stephanelytron eccentricum sp.nov. become extinct near the base of the zone; Stephanelytron echinatum sp.nov. and Kalyptea globulus sp.nov. in the middle of the zone.

Gonyaulacysta jurassica sub.sp. longicornis becomes an important constituent of the assemblage. Chytroeisphaeridia chytroeides, Sentusidinium pilosum, ?Systematophora valensii, Surculosphaeridium vestitum, Tubotuberella dangeardii and T. eisenackii are all fairly common species. Gonyaulacysta jurassica becomes conspicuously subordinate, whilst Lithodinia pocockii also becomes less common. Adnatosphaeridium aemulum, Compositosphaeridium costatum, Sentusidinium

and Kalyptea globulus sp.nov., thus delineating the Callovian/Oxfordian boundary. Both Pareodinia prolongata and Stephanelytron tabulophorum become extinct at or near the top of the zone. There is a very marked influx of acritarchs at, or just below, the base of the zone. The following five species occur for the first time within the zone: Dinopterygium absidatum, Pareodinia alaskensis, P. warlinghamensis sp.nov., P. wigginsi sp.nov., and Sentusidinium woollami sp.nov. The nominate taxon is very abundant and becomes extinct just within the base of the succeeding Wanaea fimbriata zone.

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#### Hystrichosphaerina orbifera local-range zone

Incorporates the consticardia and cordatum subzones of the uppermost Lower Oxfordian. The base of the zone is defined by the first occurrence of Chytroeisphaeridia cerastes (which appears to be restricted to this zone) and Chlamydophorella sp.A; the base is also marked by the extinction of Ellipsoidictyum reticulata, Palaeostomocystis tornatilis and Tubotuberella dangeardii. The top of the zone is tentatively placed at the extinction level of Stephanelytron caytonense and Wanaea fimbriata. The nominate taxon first appears just above the base of the zone, as does Leptodinium miriabile. Chlamydophorella sp.B, Cleistosphaeridium lumectum, Dinopteryigium absidatum and Pareodinia wigginsi sp.nov. become extinct within the zone.

The following taxa are important constituents of the assemblage: Acanthaulax senta, Adnatosphaeridium aemulum, Cleistosphaeridium polytrichum, Compositosphaeridium costatum, Gonyaulacysta jurassica (including G. jurassica sub.sp. longicornis), Hystrichodinium pulchrum, Hystrichogonyaulax (particularly common), Sentusidinium pilosum and S. rioultii. Chytroeisphaeridia chytroeides, Scriniodinium crystallinum, S. galeritum and Surculosphaeridium vestitum are subordinate.

### Systematophora areolata local-range zone

Comprises at least the plicatilis zone of the Middle Oxfordian. The base of the zone is tentatively placed at the base of the Middle Oxfordian and marked by the extinction of Chytroeisphaeridia cerastes, Stephanelytron caytonense and Wanaea fimbriata. The upper limits of the zone cannot be defined here. The nominate taxon first appears in the praecordatum subzone of the Lower Oxfordian and ranges into the Kimmeridgian.

Polysphaeridium deflandrei, Systematophora valensii and Pareodinia ceratophora sub.sp. pachyceras all become extinct just above the base of the zone (the latter quite suddenly after becoming very abundant). Ctenidodinium ornatum and Kylindrocysta reticulata sp.nov. appear also to become extinct within the zone.

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S. rioultii and Systematophora areolata are all important constituents of the assemblage. Hystrichogonyaulax cladophora and Hystrichodinium pulchrum are subordinate.

#### B. STRATIGRAPHICAL CORRELATION BY STATISTICAL METHODS

In recent years several authors have attempted various methods of chronostratigraphic and biostratigraphic correlation using statistical techniques (e.g., Hazel, 1970). The main reason for adopting such methods is in order to minimise, or overcome altogether, the many problems inherent in traditional methods of correlation; the problems of human error and bias in both sampling and processing data being perhaps the chief factors. By using statistical methods it is possible to obtain consistent results that have taken into account a wide variety of factors which may affect the distribution of organisms.

Two statistical methods of correlation have been applied to the data obtained from the Warboys and Warlingham boreholes: (1) The Graphic Correlation Method and (2) Cluster Analysis. The methods and merits of each are briefly outlined, results presented and conclusions discussed.

#### 1. The Graphic Correlation Method

#### a) The method outlined

The Graphic Correlation Method is based essentially on the work of Shaw (1964), being a method of palaeontological correlation that utilizes the total ranges of fossils to develop time-stratigraphical control in sedimentary rock sequences. This method was further adapted and applied to palynological studies in the Upper Cretaceous rocks of Southwestern Wyoming, U.S.A., by Miller (1977). Miller's paper describes

fully the principle and use of the technique.

Essentially the idea behind the method is to establish a fixed point of correlation between two vertical sections which cover an equivalent interval of geological time. The two sections to be compared are plotted on the X and Y axis of a graph in units of thickness and a line of correlation (LOC) is calculated and plotted between them. The method is based on the premise that rock-accumulation takes place over a particular interval of time and therefore at a certain rate. It will naturally follow that the LOC will ideally represent the rate of rock-accumulation in both sequences and, by definition, be at an angle of  $45^{\circ}$ 

from the point of origin if rock-accumulation is consistent in both localities being compared. The rate of rock-accumulation will of course, in turn, affect the stratigraphic distribution of the fossils entombed in the sediment.

Essentially the job of the palaeontologist is to establish the LOC between the two sections by using the fossils within them. This is done by plotting the first and last occurrences of those fossils whose local-range occurs within both sections. The tops of the sections are marked with the symbol  $(\bullet)$  and the bases with the symbol  $(\bullet)$ ; a line is then constructed between them. Each individual fossil species is identified with a number. Ideally all the dots should plot in the upper right-hand side of the graph and the squares in the lower left-hand side. The LOC is then drawn through the tops and bases of those fossils whose local range in one section most closely approaches that in the other. One section should be chosen as the standard reference section (SRS) against which all subsequent correlations are made, ammendments to the local-ranges of species being made where appropriate. The SRS should have the following characteristics: (i) a large and varied fossil content; (ii) be the thickest section possible and (iii) be a complete and unfaulted stratigraphic succession.

# b) The method applied to the Warboys and Warlingham boreholes

In theory this method should work well when correlating between the two boreholes in this study. Indentical and undisturbed stratigraphic sections are present and the local ranges of microplankton taxa have been determined. This technique was in fact used and the graph of the correlation is illustrated in fig. 6.5. Here a standard thickness line of correlation has been plotted (being a hypothetical LOC if rock-accumulation was uniform in both sections). The ammonite zones have been taken as standard and form a basis for comparison. It is worth noting that the ammonite LOC follows closely the standard thickness LOC for the Callovian, indicating that rock-accumulation was fairly uniform in both sections for this time interval. However at the Callovian/Oxfordian boundary, the ammonite LOC makes a marked departure from the standard thickness LOC indicating an increase in the rate of rock-accumulation at Warlingham during the Lower Oxfordian. (Comparison with figure 2.3 verifies this fact).

It is interesting to note that, without exception, all of the microplankton ranges fall bellow the standard thickness LOC and the ammonite zone LOC, thus indicating considerably longer ranges for species in Warlingham than in Warboys. This is illustrated by the ranges of selected

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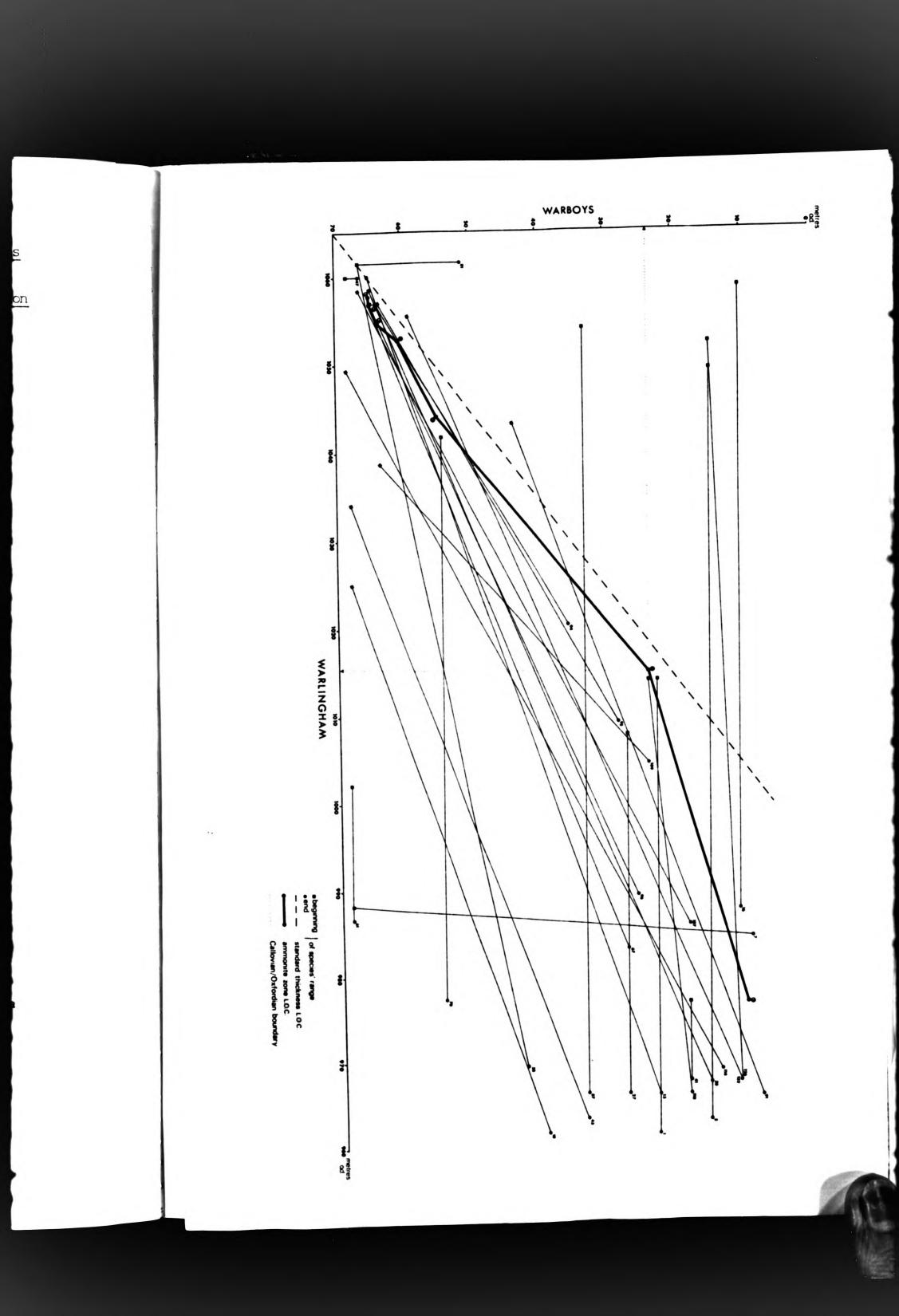
Graph illustrating the composite ranges of species whose local-range occurs within the Warboys and Warlingham boreholes, using the Graphic Correlation Method (after Shaw, 1964 and Miller, 1977).

Key to ammonite zone boundaries:

- (1) calloviense/enodatum
- (2) enodatum/medea
- (3) jason/obductum
- (4) obductum/grossouvrei
- (5) grossouvrei/athleta
- (6) lamberti/scarburghense
- (7) scarburghense/praecordatum

Key to species:

- 1 Acanthaulax senta
- 5 Apteodinium granulatum
- 7 Apteodinium cf. nuciforme
- 13 Chlamydophorella sp.B
- 16 Chytroeisphaeridia mantellii
- 18 Cleistosphaeridium lumectum
- 27 Dinopterygium absidatum
- 30 Ellipsoidictyum reticulatum
- 38 Kalyptea stegasta
- 41 Leptodinium gongylos
- 43 ?Leptodinium sp.
- 47 Meiourogonyaulax cristulata
- 61 Pluriarvalium osmingtonense
- 67 Reutlingia gochtii
- 70 Scriniodinium cf. crystallinum
- 81 Sentusidinium villersense
- 87 Sentusidinium sp.F
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- 96 Stephanelytron echinatum sp.nov.
- 107 Tubotuberella sphaerocephalis
- - 109 Wanaea digitata
- 110 Wanaea fimbriata
- 114 Gen. et sp. indet.B
- 126 Micrhystridium nannacanthum
- 132 Micrhystridium recurvatum forma multispinosa



taxa in tables 6.2 a-f.

Whilst it would be difficult to construct a precise LOC based on the ranges of the microplankton species alone attention is drawn to the ranges of fossils 91, 94, 95, 96, 107 and 110, whose ranges closely parallel the ammonite zone LOC (although consistently fall bellow it). Fossil 110 is of particular note as it follows closely the change in the rate of rock-accumulation at the Callovian/Oxfordian boundary as discussed above. Certain anomalies will however be apparent in the plotting of several species whose ranges completely 'cut accross' the trend of the majority. Fossils 1, 5, 16, 27, 41, 61, 70, 87 and 126 have very restricted ranges in Warboys, whilst fossils 47 and 81 have restricted ranges in Warlingham. This may either reflect a genuine tight ecological control over these particular species or represent errors in processing and/or examination techniques.

Whilst the Graphic Correlation Method could prove to be a useful tool in correlating between sections with comparable stratigraphic sequences, it is important to note that the method can only be as reliable as the fossils themselves are. Ecological control of both flora and fauna will not neccessarily be uniform, even in quite restricted geographical areas, and therefore local-ranges of certain fossils may not reflect the rate of rock-accumulation as a basis for comparison. In conjunction with other methods of comparison however, this technique will certainly be a valuable tool in the hands of the biostratigrapher.

#### 2. Cluster Analysis

### a) Problems of conventional biostratigraphy

Conventional forms of biostratigraphic analysis have always depended upon the total-ranges of individual fossil species (as far as they are known), or fossil-assemblages for inter-regional correlation.

Innumerable zonation schemes have been proposed for various parts of the geological column based on these methods. In practice however, rarely is the biostratigrapher confronted with a geological succession in which previously-proposed and described zones can be identified fully in the sequence before him. We have already noted earlier in this chapter that data obtained from the two boreholes in this study does not correlate precisely with that of other authors. Even between the two boreholes themselves there are discrepancies with detailed comparison.

Traditionally all zonation schemes are based on either range zones or assemblage zones. Whilst such methods of correlation are indeed

useful (one such scheme has been propsed here for the Oxford Clay), and in certain cases proved to be accurate, it must be recognised that such methods of corellation have their natural limitations. In the case of range-zones only extreme ranges of fossils can, by definition, be used to define zonal boundaries. In practice however it is not always possible for the biostratigrapher to know whether or not the full range of a particular taxon is represented in the sequence. Similarly, with assemblage zones one can never be sure exactly what interplay of palaeoenvironmental parameters have affected the contents of a particular assemblage in a given geographical area. Certain species will obviously be affected by particular external factors in preference to other others, thus influencing their distribution. Consequently an assemblage obtained from area A will not neccessarily be fully represented in area B even though certain elements of the assemblage will be present. The biostratigrapher can never know whether or not his assemblage is fully representative. There is therefore a need for more rigorous methods of biostratigraphy, i.e., objective methods which are repeatable in different geographical areas of study.

There are a number of important reasons why (potentially at least) numerical methods in biostratigraphy are preferable to conventional, nonquantitative methods. These may be summarised as follows:

> (i) <u>Objectivity</u>. The assessment of similarities between samples or the associations between species is based on mathematical or statistical criteria and not on the judgement of the investigator. Thus no *a priori* assumptions are made on the basis of the palaeoenvironment or the known ecological requirements of certain species, or even the presence of certain species in any sample.

(ii) <u>Repeatability</u>. The use of mathematical methods should lead to the same results when applied by different workers to the same case, or even more important, provide strictly

comparable results. This applies particularly when numerical methods are used which result in hierarchical ordination of the data (dendrograms).

(iii) <u>Rapid computations</u>. The neccessary computations of similarity coefficients and their clustering into dendrograms can be carried out extremely rapidly with a computer.

# b) The principles of numerical methods

Numerical taxonomy is "the numerical evaluation of the affinity of similarity between taxonomic units and the ordering of these units

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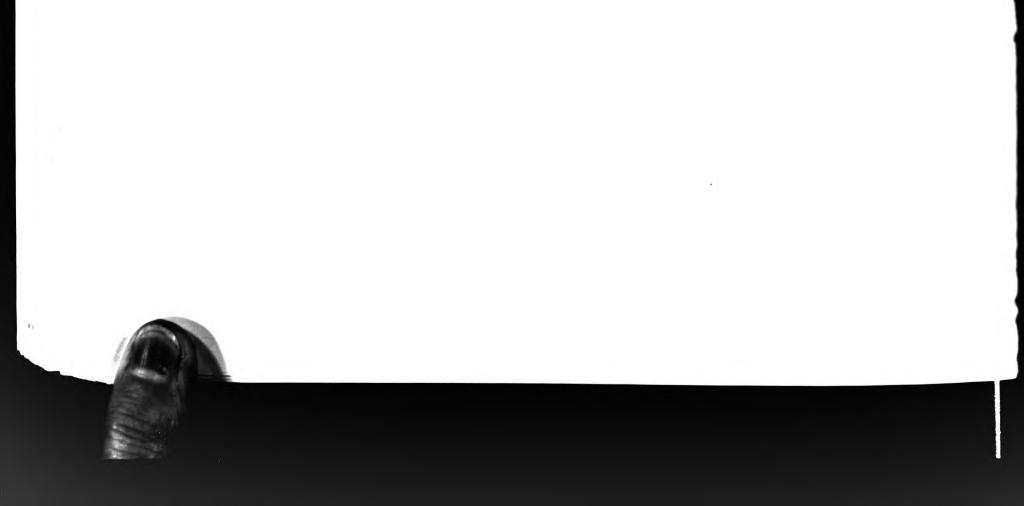
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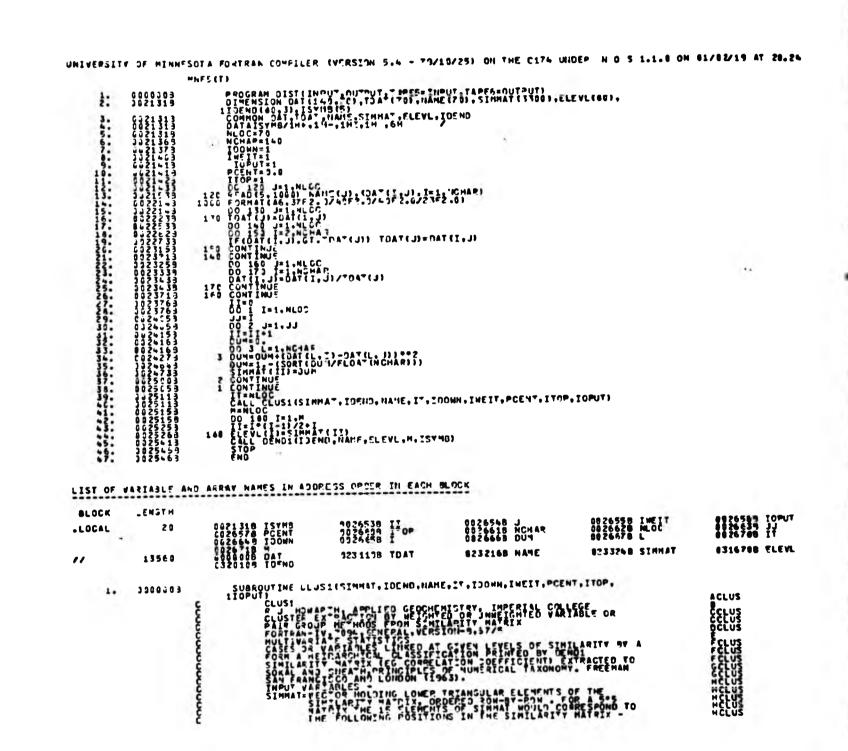
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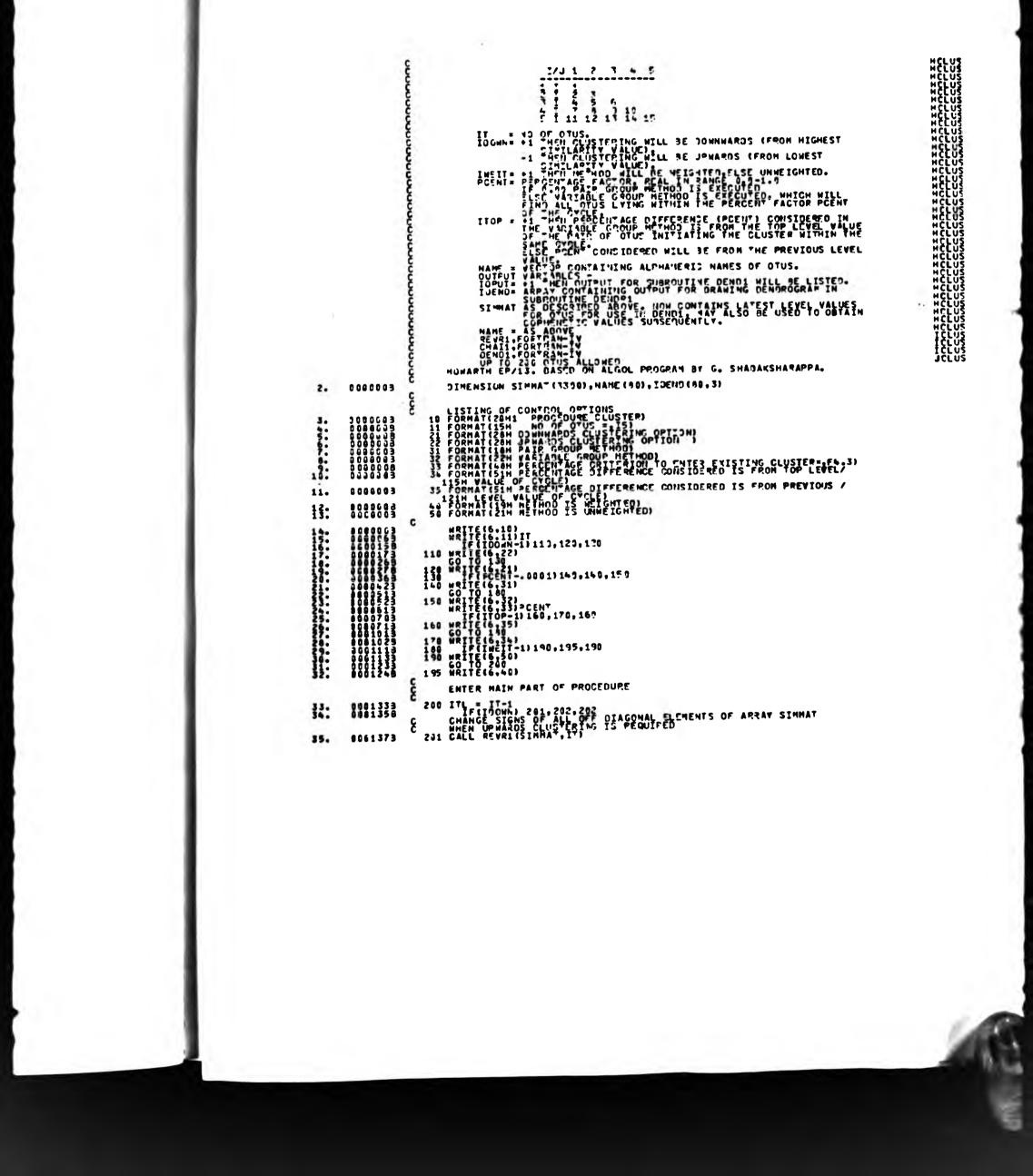
Listing of the computer programme used for Cluster Analysis in this study.





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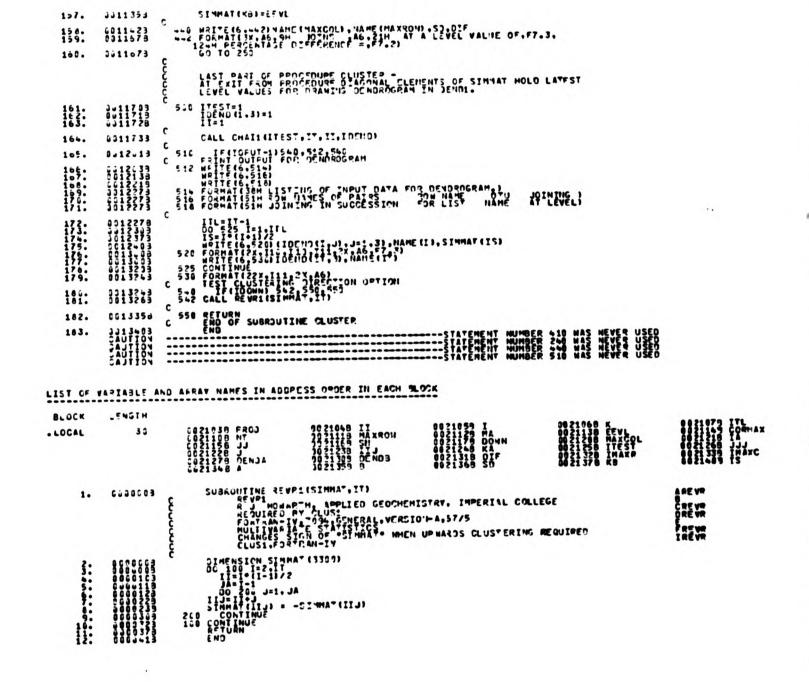
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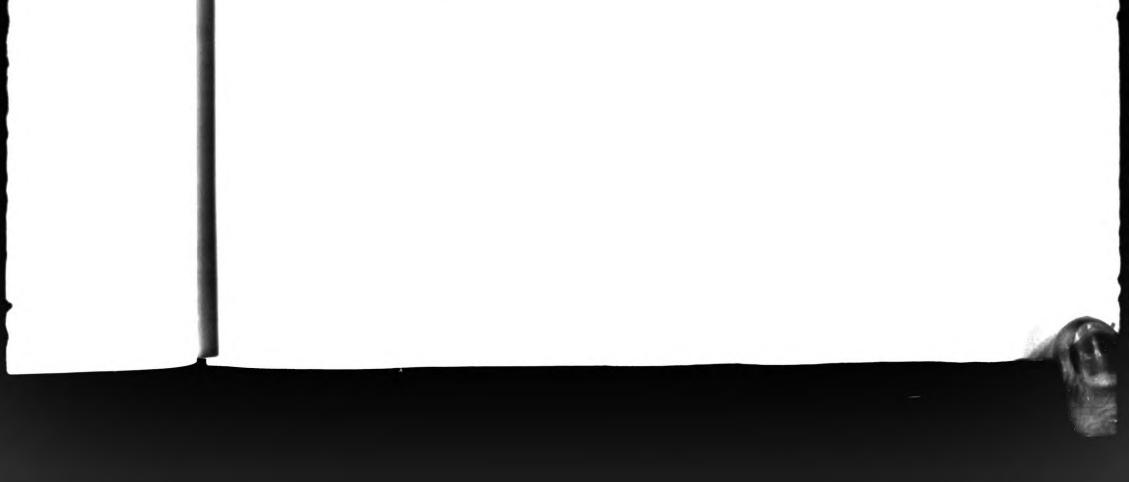
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into taxa based on their affinities" (Sokal and Sneath, 1963 p48). These methods have however, a wider application and have been used in a variety of fields ranging from plant ecology to philology and political science. Cheetham and Deboo (1963) and Hazel (1970) are amongst several authors who have applied these methods to biostratigraphy. The methods are fully described in Sokal and Sneath (op.cit.) and need not be repeated here.

Cluster analysis is a simple form of correlation analysis, a method of searching for relationships in a large symmetrical matrix and first developed by psychologists. It is a straightforward, logical, pair-by-pair comparison between samples, objects or variables. The results of cluster analysis can be presented in an easily understood, two-dimensional hierarchical diagram (dendrogram) on which the 'natural breaks' between groups will be obvious. The observer can also pick off groups at any desired level of similarity. The method employs Q- and Rmode analysis and produces cluster dendrograms from which associations can be easily evaluated. In Q-mode, objects (samples) are related to each other on the basis of their attributes (species). In R-mode, attributes are related to each other on the basis of the objects in which they are found. It will follow that for biostratigraphical purposes Q-mode analysis is employed.

## c) The method applied to data from Warboys and Warlingham boreholes

A great variety of matching coefficients are available, many of which are based on two-character state (presence/absence) data using the 2 X 2 contingency table, e.g., the Simple Matching Coefficient and the Jaccard Coefficient. Other matching coefficients have been used to take into consideration more than simply presence/absence data; one such method is the Distance Coefficient. Because of the potential significance of relative abundancies of microplankton it was decided to use the Distance Coefficient to take this factor into account. The correlation coefficient of similarity was computed between all samples for each of the boreholes independently and then for the two boreholes together. The programme used was based on the work of Sokal and Sneath (op.cit.), adapted by R.J. Howarth of Imperial College of Science abd Technology, London and executed by Dr. J. Fergusson also of Imperial College. A complete listing of the programme is given in table 6.4.

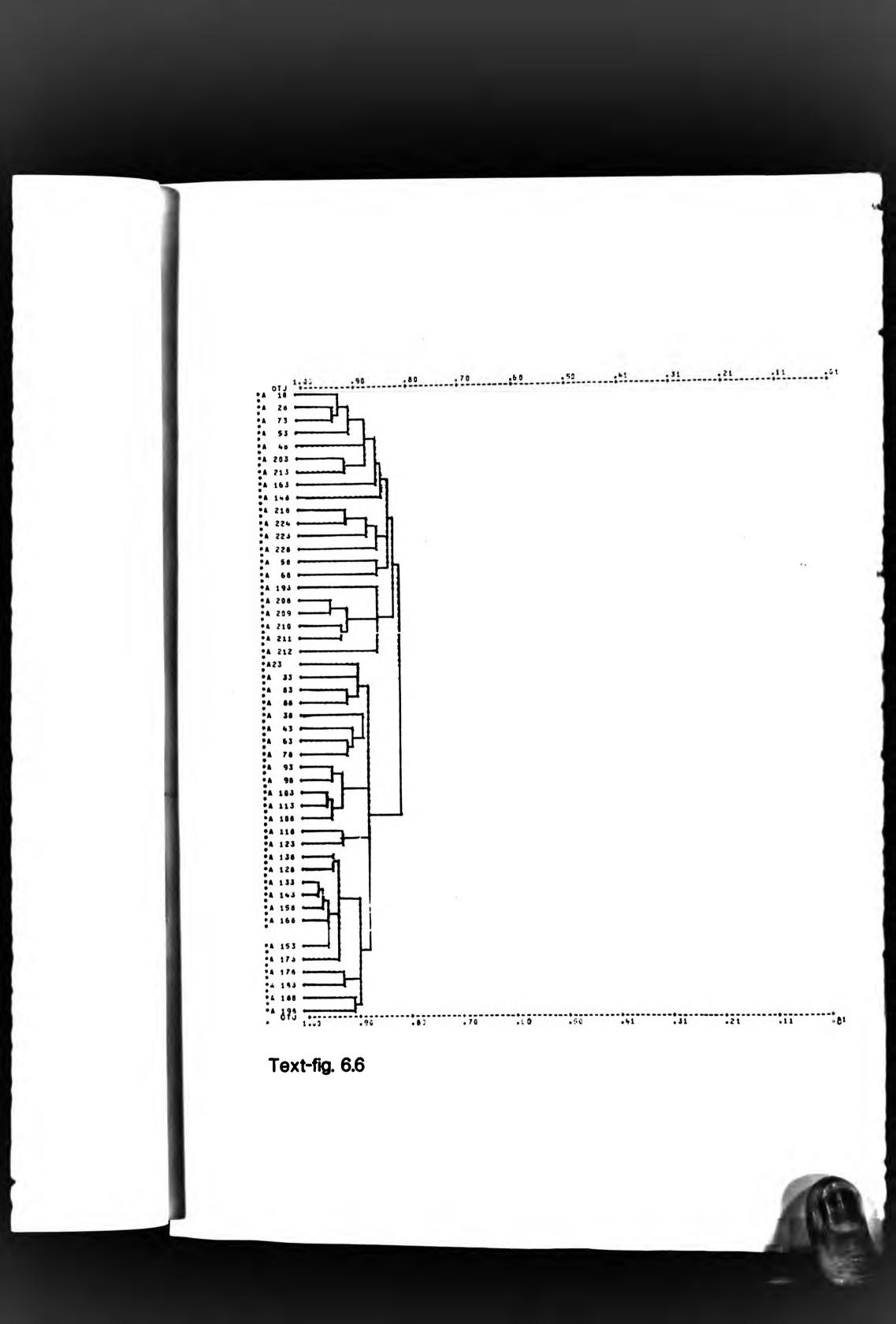
Having computed the correlation coefficients, the data was clustered using an unweighted pair-group method and the results plotted on dendrograms (figs. 6.6 to 6.8).

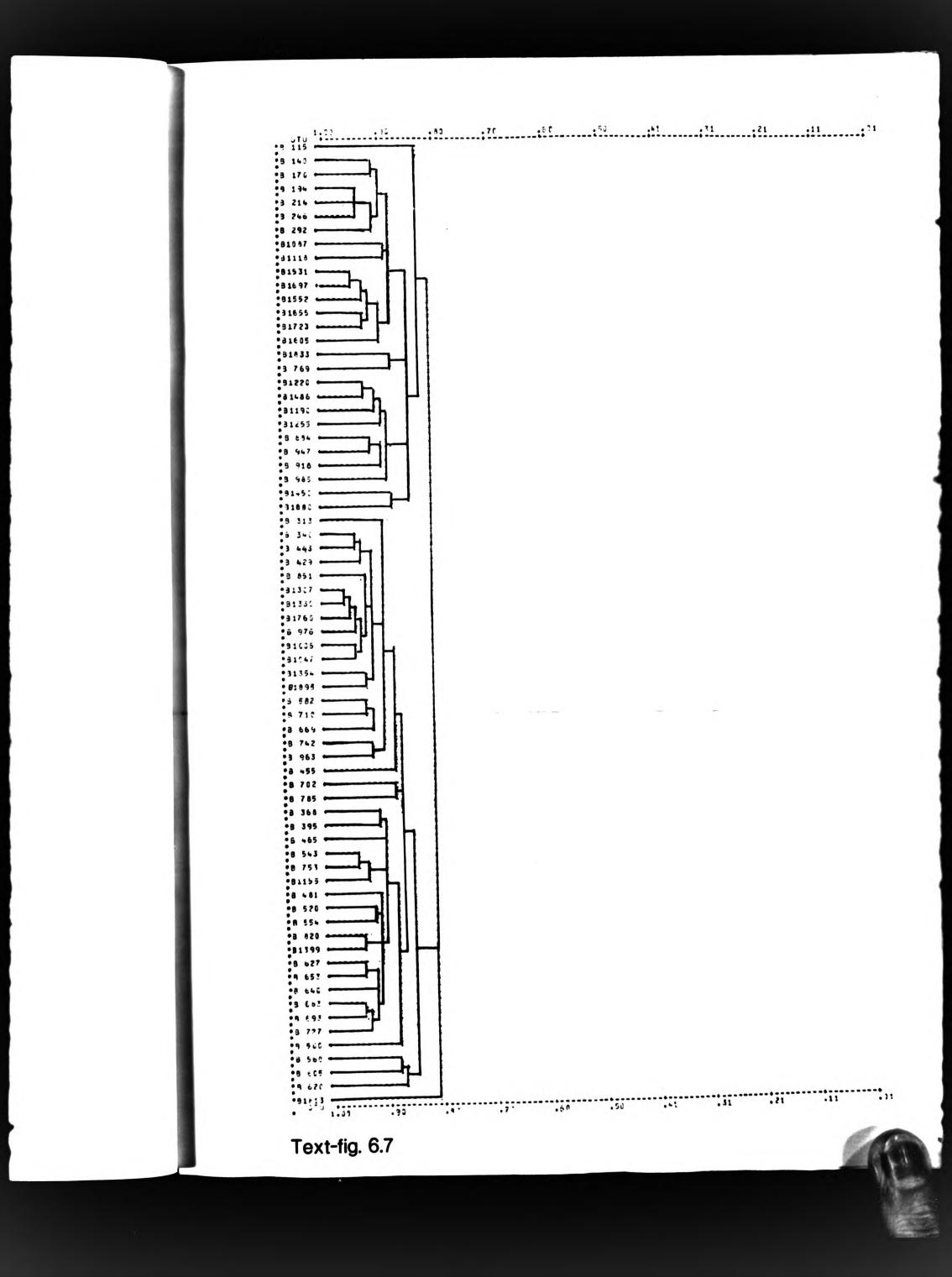
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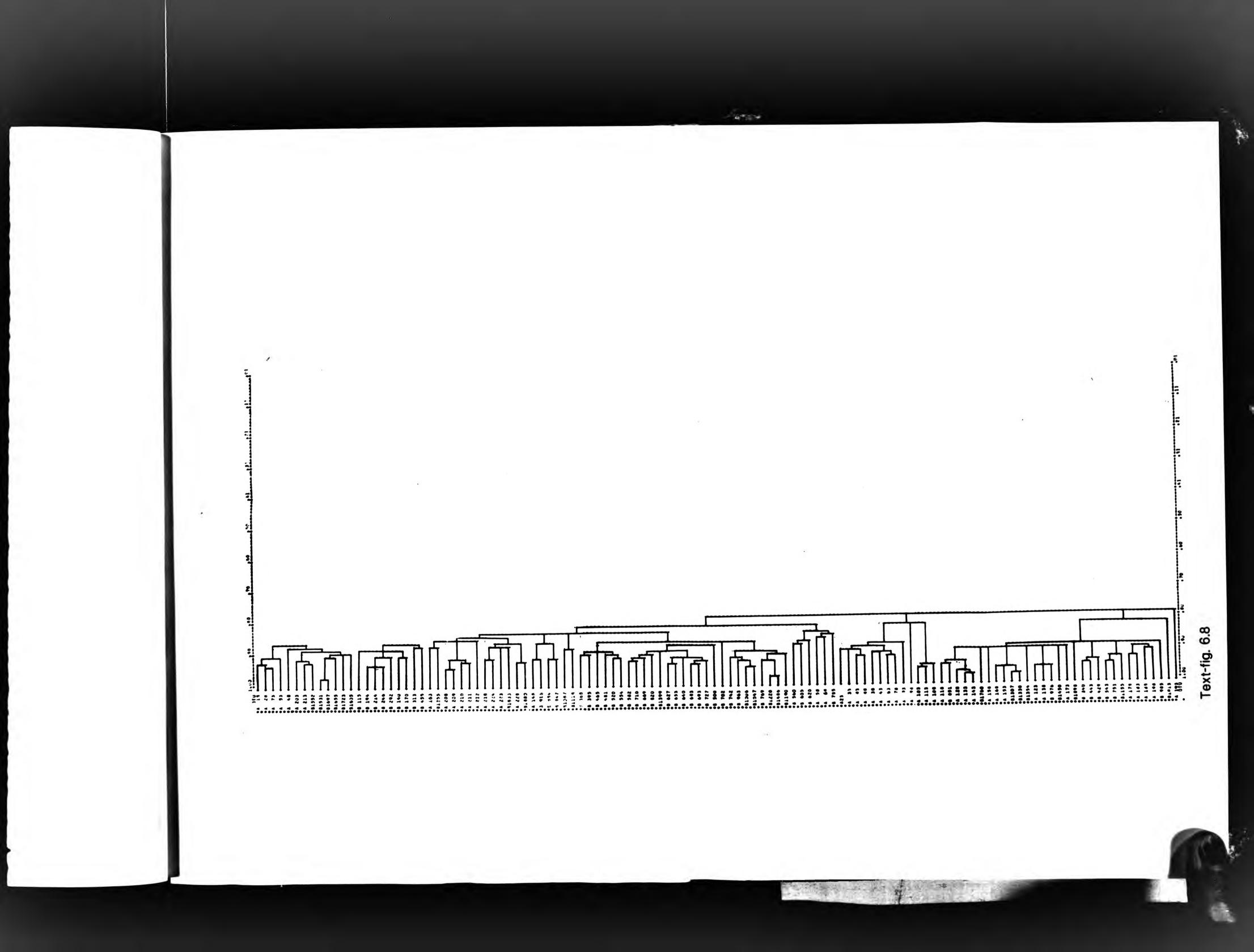
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Cluster Analysis Dendrograms for the Warboys borehole (fig.6.6), Warlingham borehole (fig.6.7) and both boreholes together (fig.6.8)



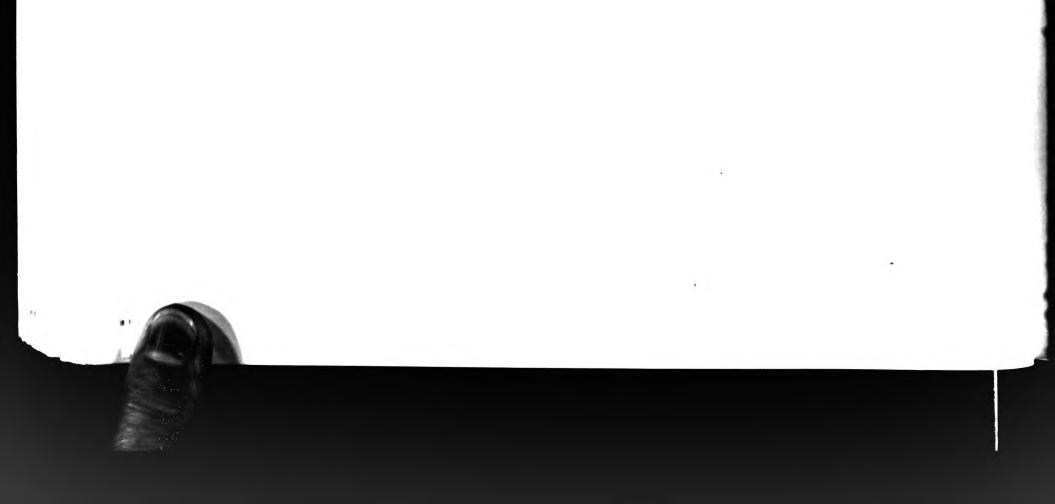


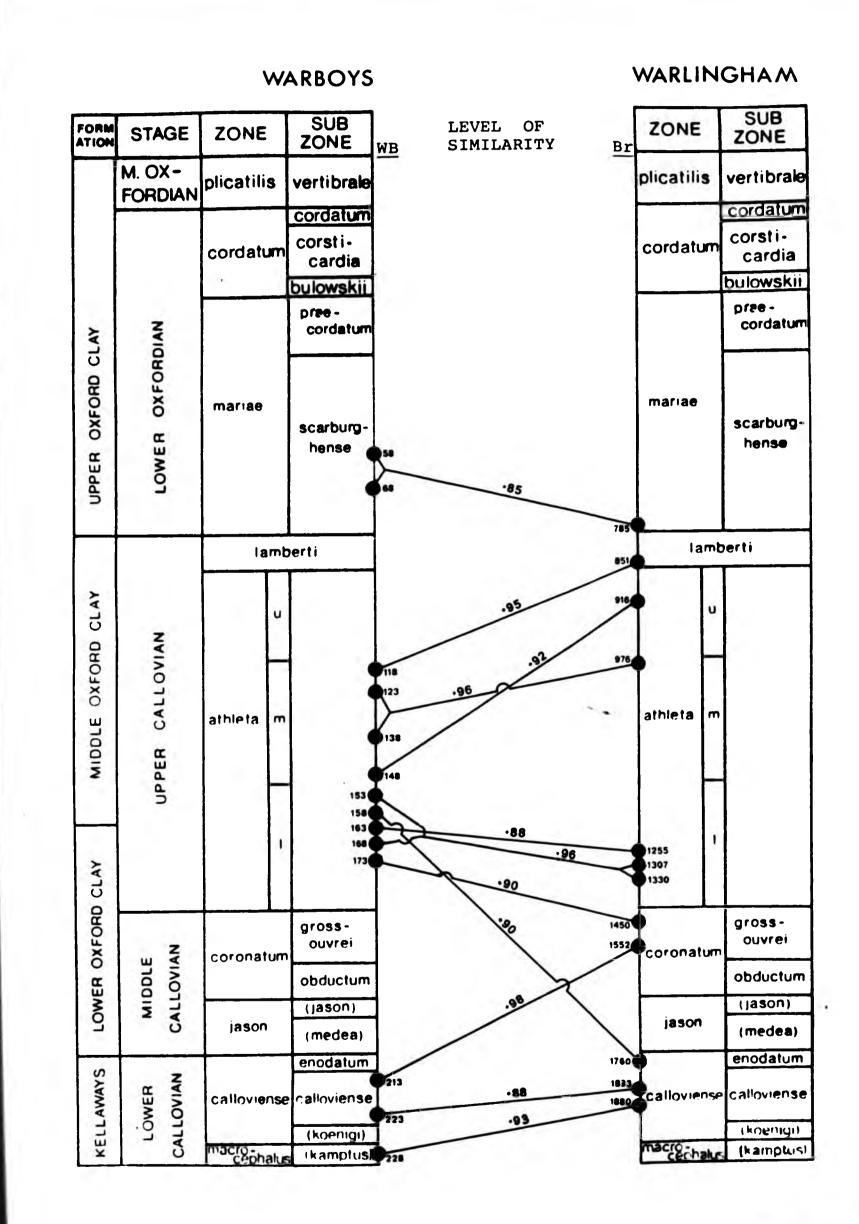




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Points of Correlation between Warboys and Warlingham, from the data in fig. 6.8





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## d) Discussion of results

The reason for using this method of correlation was an attempt to arrive at a zonation scheme which would eliminate the problems of conventional biostratigraphy outlined above, and be always recogniseable; the basic idea of the method being to group together those samples with a very similar floral content. The computer did this and the results are illustrated in the dendrograms shown in figures 6.5 to 6.8.

Initial observation of these dendrograms shows that all samples have clustered at a high level of similarity: .82 for Warboys (fig. 6.6); .81 for Warlingham (fig. 6.7) and .79 for Warboys and Warlingham plotted together (fig. 6.8). The most obvious corollary from this is that all samples show a high degree of similarity in terms of floral content. On closer examination however, it will be noticed that at higher levels of similarity definite groups of samples have clustered together. In some instances, particularly for Warboys (fig. 6.6), the groups reflect the ammonite zones almost exactly. For example, samples WB208, 209, 210 and 211 cluster at a level of .92 and depict closely the jason zone of the Middle Callovian; similarly WB83 and 88 cluster at .92 and represent the lamberti zone of the Upper Callovian. Unfortunately however, the clusters are not totally consistent and all of the ammonite zones cannot be determined in this way. Neither can a readily-identifiable zonation scheme be determined from the groupings alone.

Figure 6.9 shows the two stratigraphical sections for Warboys and Warlingham and illustrates the points at which a sample from one borehole has clustered with a sample from the other borehole at a high level of similarity using the data from fig.6.8. Again there are instances where close correlations can be made but this is not consistent; some correlations being made between samples from different stages, e.g., WB158 with Br1760 and WB213 with Br1552.

Whilst results from this technique have not proved wholly satisfactory in terms of absolute correlation and the errection of a useful zonation scheme, the author feels that such numerical methods could be a useful tool for biostratigraphic work using microplankton. Further time for experimentation may have resulted in more conclusive results. The use for example, of either the Simple Matching or Jaccard Coefficients based on presence/absence data may prove to be more successful in providing a zonation scheme, taking into account local ranges of species only. It seems that the third variable (absolute abundancies) has confused the resulting picture.

## C. CONCLUSIONS

The assemblages obtained from the Warboys and Warlingham Boreholes are typical of the Upper Jurassic. Whilst many species are long-ranging and consequently of little use for detailed biostratigraphical purposes, some have more restricted ranges and are useful for determining horizons within the Callovian and Oxfordian. The Meiourogonyaulax group are restricted to the Lower and Middle Callovian in the present assemblages, whilst the related species Lithodinia jurassica dominates the whole of the Callovian. The extinction of Pareodinia prolongata together with the appearance of Wanaea fimbriata seem to be almost universally accepted as marking the Callovian / Oxfordian boundary, the present study being no exception. Perhaps the most biostratigraphically-important genus in the Callovian/Oxfordian assemblages is Stephanelytron (see tab.6.2f), the majority of species first appearing in the uppermost Lower Callovian and being restricted to the Callovian/Oxfordian. The long-ranging species S. redcliffense and S. scarburghense however range into the Lower Kimmeridgian. The biostratigraphical significance of the nine species considered to be new has yet to be established.

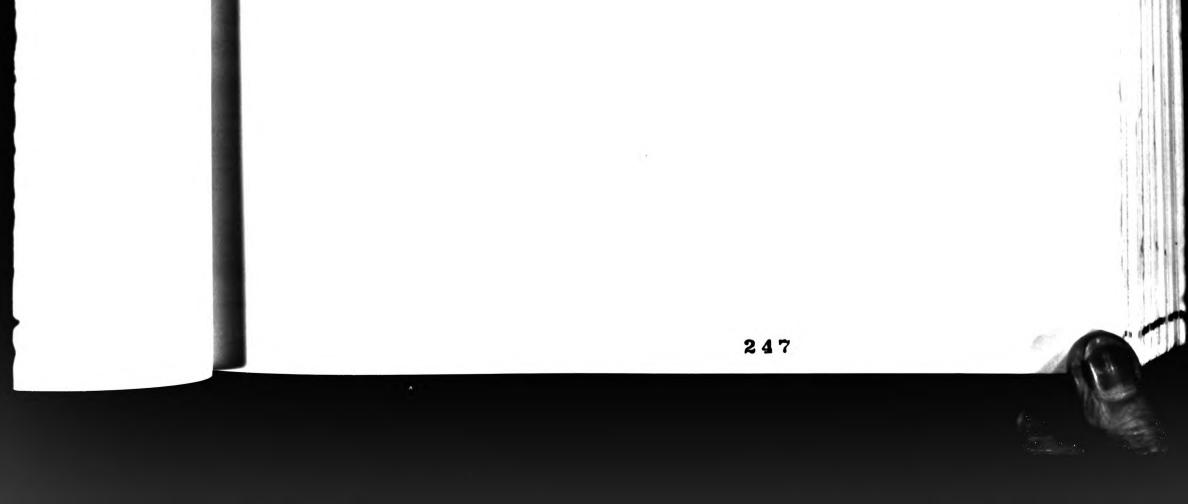
With regards to statistical and numerical methods in biostratigraphy using microplankton, it is clear that further research is neccessary. It is felt however that exploration of such methods could lead to a more applied approach in biostratigraphy. 9 16 ....



Chapter seven

14.4

PALAEOENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS



### PALAEOENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

### Introduction

The full potential of dinoflagellate cysts as palaeoenvironmental indicators has yet to be established. Even the ecology of living dinoflagellates is imperfectly known and permits only generalisations concerning distribution patterns. Williams, D (1971 a&b), Wall (1971) and Wall et.al., (1977) have very much pioneered current investigations into the distribution and ecology of Recent and Quaternary dinoflagellates. Because so little is known of the relationships between fossilized cysts and their motile counterparts, palaeoenvironmental studies in the Caenozoic and Mesozoic are very much in their infancy stages. From this it is quite clear that a considerable amount of further work is neccessary before any definite conclusions may be drawn and palaeoenvironmental inferences made from palynological studies. There are however, certain preliminary conclusions that have been made from the early studies by both Williams and Wall, and more recently by Zeitzschel (1978).

## A. PHYSICAL PARAMETERS AFFECTING THE DISTRIBUTION OF MICROPLANKTON

Dinoflagellates are found in all aquatic environments, from fresh-water to open-oceanic, and have a wide distibution in the marine realm of modern seas. Whilst they are a useful asset for the purposes of stratigraphic correlation (as we have seen in chapter 6) they may prove a liability when the aim is to determine past environmental conditions; indeed closely similar assemblages of dinoflagellate cysts may be extracted from quite dissimilar lithologies (Sarjeant, 1974a, p20). Until recently the presence of dinoflagellate cysts have been taken to indicate marine conditions. For example, G. von der Brelie (1963) was able to identify marine incursions into the coal swamps of the German Upper Oligocene and Miocene by the presence of dinoflagellate cysts. Dinoflagellates are however being recorded increasingly from fresh-water sediments and their presence can no longer therefore be taken to prove marine environments; although the majority of species are marine and may be sensitive to changes in water mass, including salinity changes.

## 1. Water Depth

Work by Staplin (1961), Vozzhennikova (1965) and Scull et.al., (1966) has shown that cyst morphology may be related to water depth and shoreline positions. Generally speaking cysts with thickened, doublelayered walls are characteristic of near-shore, unstable environments; as are forms without spines or processes (or in which they are considerably

reduced in size). Wall (1965), studying the Lias of England and Wales, found this to be true of the acritarch genus Micrhystridium, a genus which is characteristic of inshore, basinal environments; whereas species with longer spines were charateristic of more stable, possibly deeper water, environments. Furthermore, the off-shore assemblages proved to be richer and of a greater diversity. Sarjeant (1974a), from his work in the Middle and Upper Jurassic also claims that an abundance of Micrhystridium may be indicative of near-shore conditions, whereas assemblages in which these acritarchs are few are likely to be from deeper waters.

### 2. Temperature

The limits of temperature-tolerance of dinoflagellates vary according to species. In general, forms inhabiting deeper seas are able to tolerate lower temperatures than those living in shallower water environments and vice-versa (Sarjeant, 1974a p9). Harland (1972) has shown that the known tolerance limits are about 1°C to 35°C, with an optimum for most species within the range 18°C to 25°C.

Studies relating fossil dinoflagellate assemblages and palaeotemperatures are in their early stages. Wall and Dale (1968) identified five facies associations in Early Pleistocene marine sediments of Norfolk, England, which included cysts identical with those of some living species whose environmental requirements are known. But applications of these studies to pre-Quaternary assemblages is virtually impossible as so little is known of the relationship between the cyst and its living motile counterpart in fossil dinoflagellates. It is quite likely however, that temperature-tolerant species would have a more cosmopolitan distribution, whilst temperature-sensitive species a more restricted distribution, usually to warm water (Williams, D. 1971a, p93).

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Dinoflagellates are particularly abundant in waters containing high concentrations of nutrients. Work by Davey (1971) and Cross et.al., (1966) has shown that concentrations of dinoflagellates are particularly high where there is a mixing of currents or upwelling, corresponding with concentrations of nutrients such as phosphate, nitrate, silicate etc. Areas rich in these nutrients are known to provide ideal environments for increased phytoplankton productivity, or 'blooms'. The obvious corollary is that sediments which are particularly rich in dinoflagellates may well reflect areas of current-upwelling or mixing. Furthermore, a knowledge

of the distribution of dinoflagellate populations may provide an index to past patterns of oceanic circulation. Williams, D. (1971b) has used such evidences to recognise at least eight distinct biofacies in Recent sediments of the North Atlantic ocean. But very extensive investigations, based on accurate stratigraphic correlations, independently confirmed by studies of other fossil groups, will be neccessary before dinoflagellate cysts can be used reliably to reconstruct past patterns of oceanic circulation.

It must be emphasised that little is known of the physical parameters which govern the distribution of fossil microplankton. Many of the conclusions reached, as outlined above, are centred upon circular argumentation. For example, if dinoflagellate cysts with thickened walls are found in sediments which are considered to be near-shore deposits in one locality, it does not neccessarily follow that the same species, when found in another locality, will indicate a near-shore depositional environment for that locality. It is in fact becoming increasingly clear that water depth in palaecenvironments is extremely difficult to determine with any degree of accuracy. Such factors as oceanity (distance from shore) however are more easily determinable.

Even the possible determination of past patterns of oceanic circulation is open to suspect. Concentrations of dinoflagellate cysts in particular sediments may not neccessarily be indicative of phytoplankton blooms at all, but rather be directly proportional to the rate of sedimentation in a particular locality, or post-depositional transportation. It will obviously follow that dinoflagellate cysts will be particularly abundant in areas with a low rate of sedimentation, and vice-versa.

We know that in modern ecological studies there is a very complex interplay of external factors governing the movement of any group of organisms. Any one factor may have an overriding precedence to another. Determination of palaeoenvironments will likewise be subject to a similar A ....

complex array of physical parameters. We may therefore conclude that the presence of a certain species, or even assemblage of species, will not neccessarily indicate the same palaeoenvironmental conditions in every locality from which they are obtained. Williams and Sarjeant (1967) have shown the potentiality of microplankton for indicating palaeoenvironments the many obstacles to definitive whilst at the same time noting interpretation.

## B. <u>DIST'RIBUTION OF MICROPLANKTON IN THE WARBOYS AND WARLINGHAM</u> BOREHOLES AND PALAEOENVIRONMENTAL INTERPRETATIONS

Some of the difficulties in making palaeoecological inferrences from conclusions reached by studying recent microplankton have been outlined above. It is, therefore, only possible to make general observations on the distribution of microplankton in the material studied here in terms of palaeoenvironmental interpretation. However, where appropriate, tentative conclusions have been made.

### 1. Relative Abundancies

Any quantitative analysis of fossil microplankton is difficult to make (with any degree of accuracy) because of the nature of the material studied and techniques of extraction. The graphs illustrated in fig.7.1 are an estimate of the relative abundancies of microplankton made from counting absolute numbers in one complete traverse of each prepared microslide. Samples containing the highest frequency of microplankton are WB 208 (for Warboys) and Br 976 (for Warlingham) where 137 and 120 individuals were counted for each sample respectively. All other counts are expressed as a percentage of these two samples for each borehole.

Apart from the two peaks in the Middle Callovian of Warboys and Upper Callovian of Warlingham, the two graphs are remarkably similar. There is however, an obviously greater variation in relative abundance in Warlingham than in Warboys. It will be noticed that the greatest disparity is in the Lower and Middle Callovian. From the Upper Callovian upwards however, the graphs show a greater conformity, particularly in the Lower Oxfordian. It will be further noticed that Warlingham displays a greater relative abundance of microplankton than Warboys, particularly in the Lower Oxfordian, whilst for the Lower and Middle Callovian the reverse is true.

The increasing conformity with time between the two graphs

probably reflects an increasing uniformity of palaecenvironmental conditions between the two localities. It is interesting to note however, that an increase in microplankton frequency does not appear to correlate with a reduction in the rate of sedimentation as one might at first expect. When comparing the graphs in fig.7.1 with the diagram in fig.2.3 we might expect to find a greater abundance of microplankton in the <u>scarburghense</u> subzone of Warboys because of the reduced thickness. Fig.7.1 however shows that the relative frequency of microplankton is greater at Warlingham for the same time-interval. We must therefore conclude that factors other than the rate of sedimentation have affected the relative

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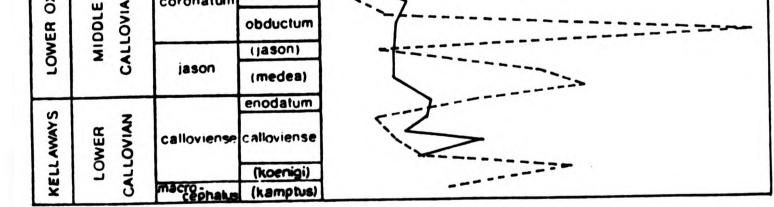
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Graphs illustrating the relative abundance of microplankton occurring in the Warboys and Warlingham boreholes



ORM	STAGE	ZONE	SUB ZONE	PERCENTAGE RELATIVE ABUNDANCE OF MICROPLANKTON 0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90
	M. OX- FORDIAN	plicatilis	vertibrale	
			cordatum	$\leq$
		cordatum	Curuna	
			bulowskii	
CLAY	NVIO		pree - cordatum	
UPPER OXFORD O	LOWER OXFORDIAN	mariae	scarburg- hense	
MIDDLE OXFORD CLAY	UPPER CALLOVIAN	lam u athleta	-	
OXFORD CLAY	E IAN	coronatu	gross- ouvrei	



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frequencies of microplankton.

Williams and Sarjeant (1967, p410) have noted that "there is an overall increase in absolute frequencies of dinoflagellate cysts with distance from shoreline". If this is the case then we may infer from the data in fig.7.1 that at Warboys there was a greater fluctuation in oceanity during Lower and Middle Callovian times, becoming more stable in the Upper Callovian and Lower Oxfordian. At Warlingham however, the greatest fluctuation in oceanity appears to have been in the Upper Callovian and again in the uppermost Lower Oxfordian. The most uniform conditions at both localities appears to have been during the Lower Oxfordian where more near-shore conditions seem to have prevailed. It is worth noting that numbers of spores and pollen are particularly high in the Lower Oxfordian at Warlingham, (compared with frequencies of microplankton), a feature which is also indicative of near-shore conditions. N 6.

### 2. Species Diversity

The term 'species diversity' can be taken to mean a number of things and therefore requires definition. Here the term is used in a simple sense to express the number of species present in any one sample. We have already noted that quantitative studies of fossil microplankton have inherent difficulties due to the nature of occurrence and methods of extraction. It terms of absolute species diversity it must be recognised that a complete representation of all species present in any one assemblage can never be obtained. However, statistical methods have been used to determine the optimum number of specimens required in order to obtain as good-a-representation of species diversity as possible. In this study 200 specimens were found to be the minimum number of individuals required for such a representation (see chapter 3, section D and fig.3.6).

Figs 7.2 and 7.3 illustrate the total number of species per sample (species diversity) for Warboys and Warlingham respectively. Fig.7.4

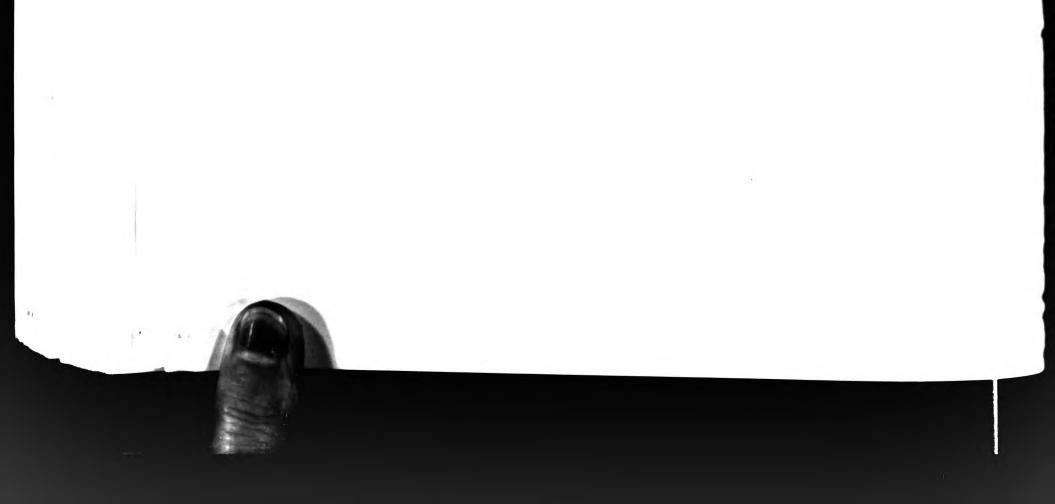
displays the same data (total microplankton) with frequencies from both boreholes plotted together for ease of comparison (fig.7.5 is species diversity for dinoflagellates only). From an initial observation of these graphs a fairly high degree of similarity will be apparent in terms of general trend. However, as with the relative abundancies (fig.7.1), the total number of species per sample is higher at Warlingham than at Warboys in the Upper Callovian and Lower Oxfordian, whilst being similar in both Lower and Middle Callovian. It is likely that the same environmental parameters are affecting the distribution in both cases.

Ther overall trend for both boreholes is a distinctive increase

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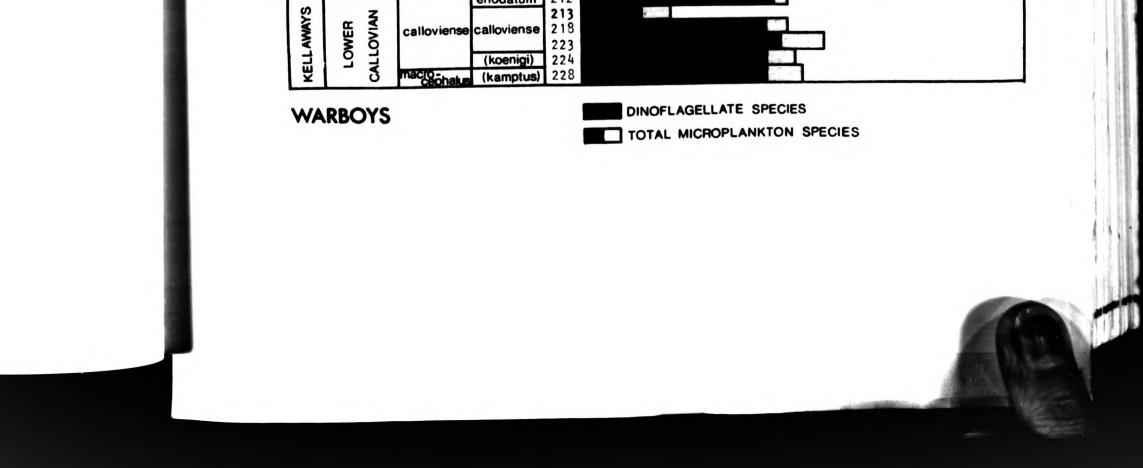
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## Histogram illustrating species diversity for the Warboys borehole



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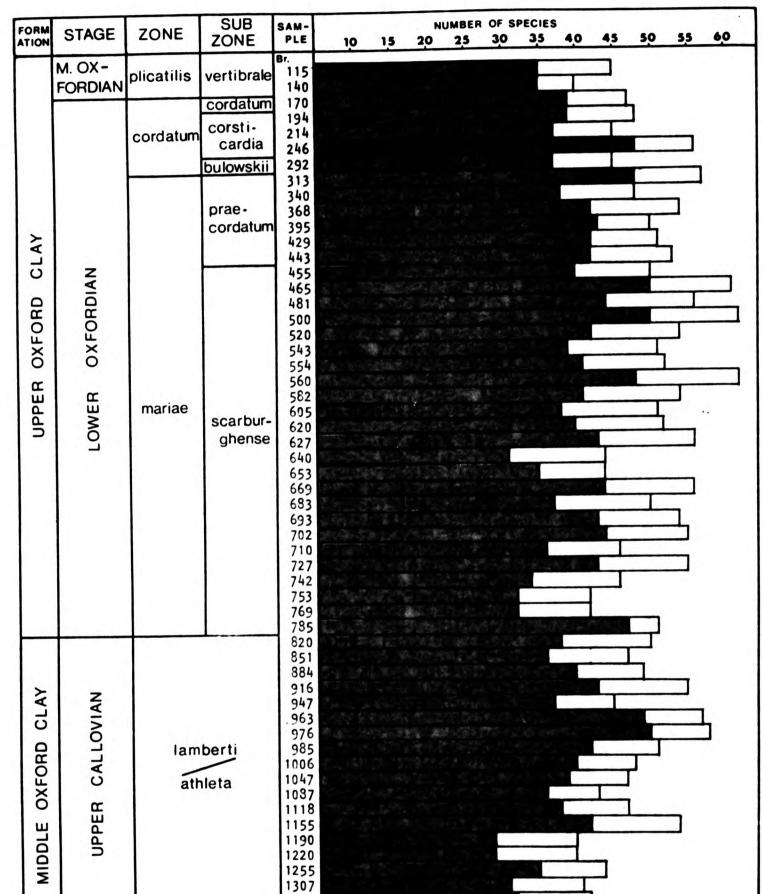


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# Histogram illustrating species diversity for the Warlingham borehole





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LOWER OXFORD CLAY	MIDDLE CALLOVIAN	coron- atum	gross - ouvrei obductum	1399       1450       1486       1531       1552       1605       1655
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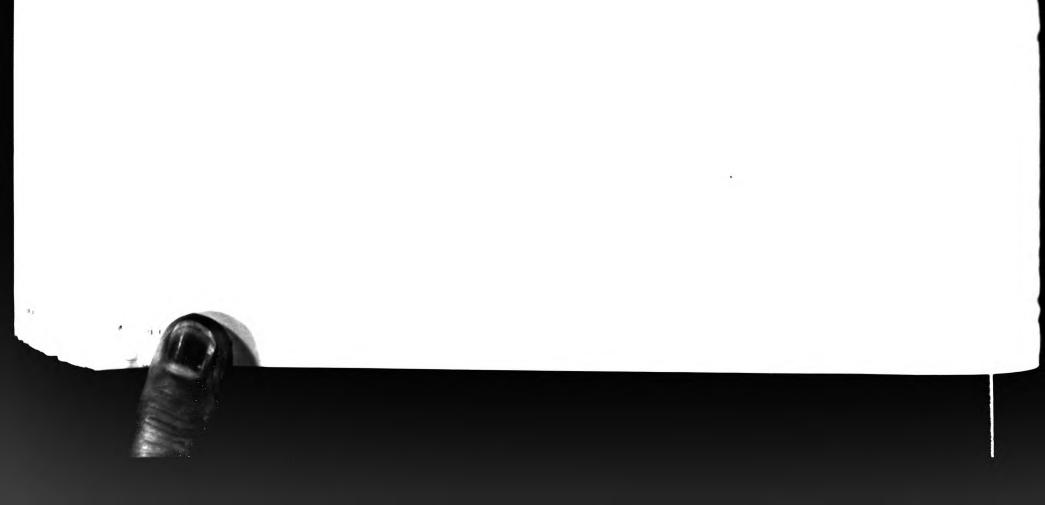


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Graphs illustrating species diversity for the Warboys and Warlingham boreholes (total microplankton)



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TION	STAGE	ZONE	SUB ZONE	NUMBER OF SPECIES 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 50 55 60
	M. OX - FORDIAN	plicatilis	vertibrale	<
		cordatum	cordatum corsti- cardia	
			bulowskii	
CLAY	NAI		prae - cordatum	
UPPER OXFORD CL	LOWER OXFORDIAN	mariae	scarburg- hense	
		lami	berti	
ORD CLAY	VIAN	u u		
WIDDLE OXFORD	R CALLOVIAN	athleta m	1	
2	UPPER	-		
CLAY				
ER OXFORD	MIDDLE CALLOVIAN	coronatun	gross- ouvrei obductum	
LOWER	CALL	jason	(jason) (medea)	
<b>KELLAWAYS</b>	LOWER	calloviens	enodatum e calloviense	
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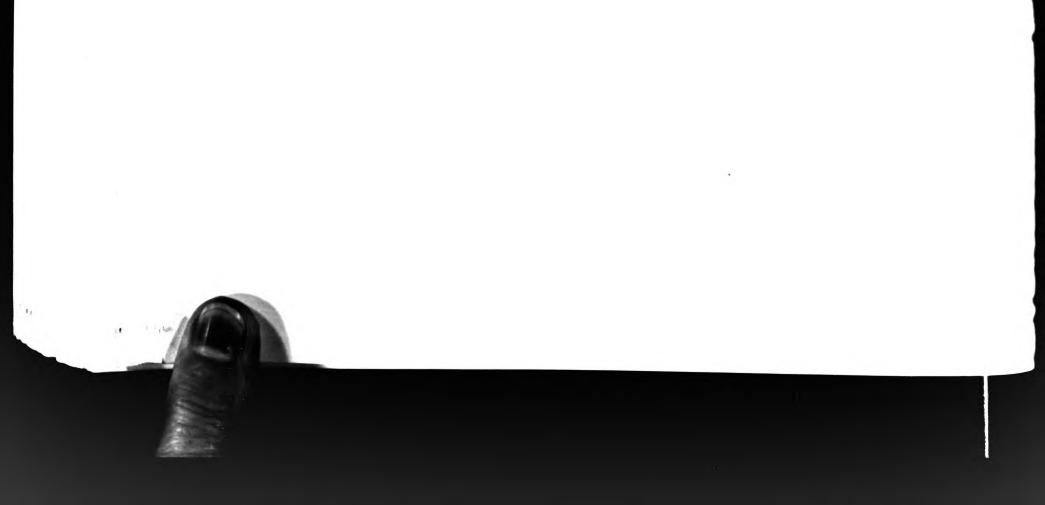
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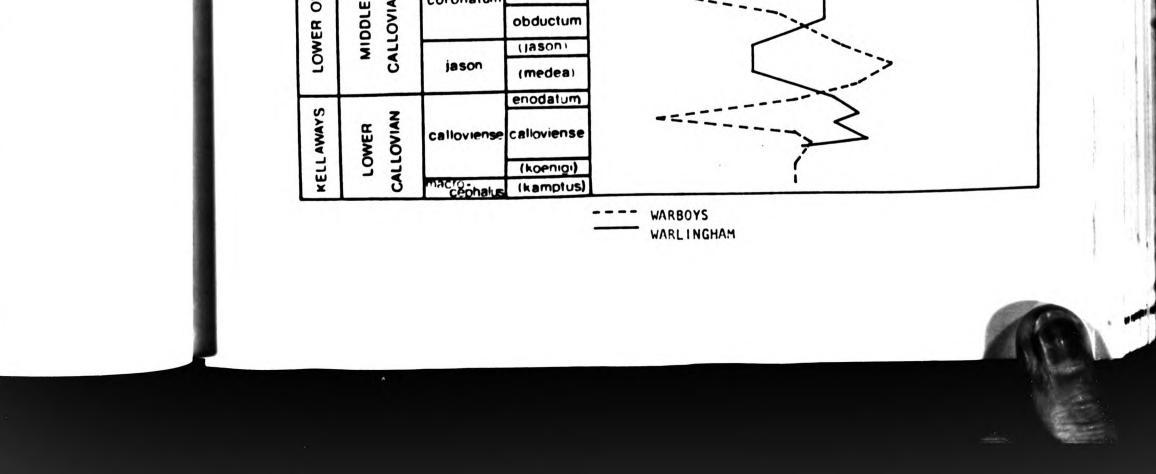
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Graphs illustrating species diversity for the Warboys and Warlingham boreholes (Dinoflagellates only)



FORM	STAGE	ZONE	SUB ZONE	NUMBER OF SPECIES 5 10 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 50
	M. OX- FORDIAN	plicatilis	vertibrale	L
		cordatum	cordatum corsti- cardia bulowskii	
CLAY	NAI		prae - cordatum	
UPPER OXFORD CI	LOWER OXFORDIAN	mariae	scarburg- hense	
		lam	berti	
MIDDLE OXFORD CLAY	UPPER CALLOVIAN	athleta r		
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OXFORD CLAY	LE	coronatu	gross- ouvrei	



in species diversity with time, possibly reflecting a development of more stable palaecenvironmental conditions, thus favouring diversity. This could however reflect a more general evolutionary trend in terms of appearance of new species with time. If the increase in species diversity were due to environmental parameters one would expect this trend to be indicative of deeper water, more open-marine conditions. We have already noted that relatively high numbers of spores and pollen (in proportion to microplankton) are present in the Lower Oxfordian of Warlingham (and to a lesser extent at Warboys), and that this is normally taken to indicate near-shore conditions in terms of oceanity. It seems reasonable therefore to conclude that the overall increase in species diversity probably reflects evolutionary development. Sec. 2.

It is difficult to determine the factors which cause fluctuation in species diversity. The very marked fluctuations in the Middle and lowermost Upper Callovian are quite likely due to the presence of bitumen, a feature characteristic of the Lower Oxford Clay. Bitumen tends to have a 'clumping' effect on preparations and specimens are easily obscured. Attempts to remove bitumen from the preparations using Schulze's solution and ultrasonic techniques may well destroy the more delicate species (see chapter 3).

### 3. Dinoflagellate:Acritarch Ratios

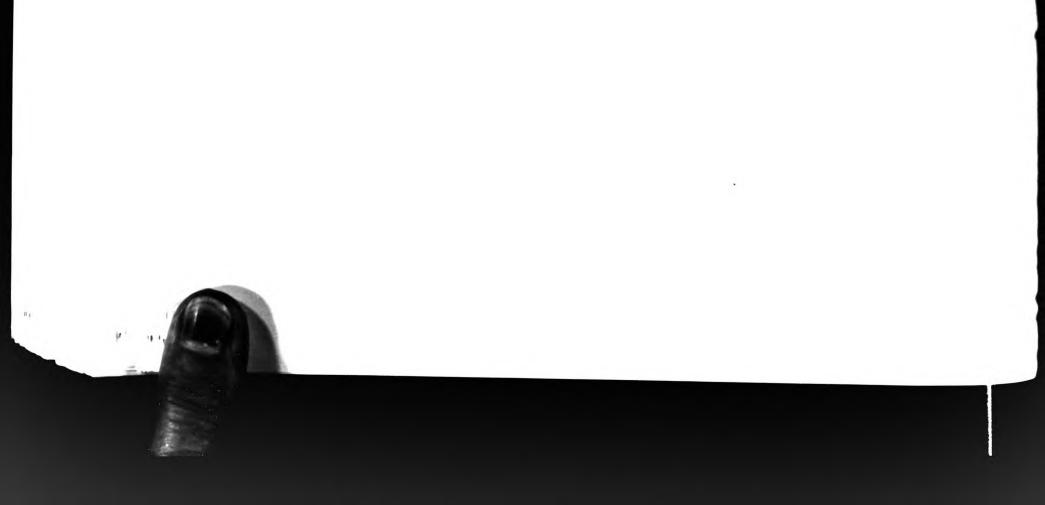
It has been known for a considerable time that miospore: microplankton ratios are environmentally contorlled (Williams and Sarjeant, 1967); the relative proportions of microplankton to miospores being a direct result of the distance of a locality from a major land mass (='oceanity'). The nearer a locality is to a land mass the higher the proportion of miospores will be in an assemblage, and vice versa (Sarjeant, 1974a). Little, if anything, is known of the environmental factors governing the ratios of dinoflagellates to acritarchs in fossil assemblages, and whether or not such ratios are useful in determining oceanity. Unfortunately time has not permited study of the miospore content of the material here. However the relative proportions of dinoflagellates to acritarchs have been calculated and the resulting data represented graphically in figs.7.6 to 7.8.

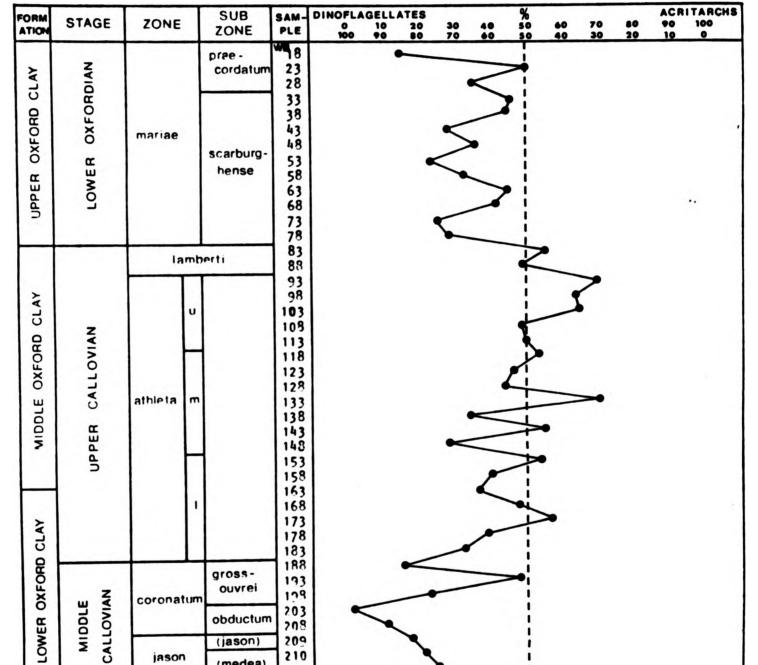
Whilst it would be impossible to deduce any conclusive evidence concerning palaeoenvironmental conditions from this data, it is interesting to make comparisons of the two graphs and tentative inferences. As with comparison of relative abundancies (fig.7.1) and species diversity (figs.7.2 to 7.5), the graphs for dinoflagellate:acritarch ratios show

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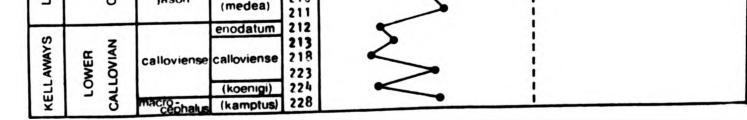
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Dinoflagellate:acritarch ratios in the Warboys borehole





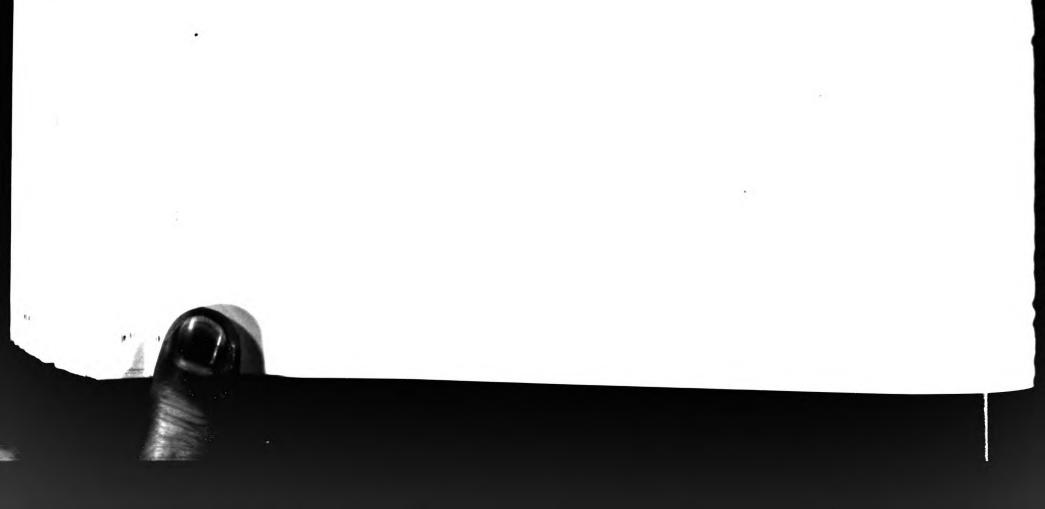
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## Dinoflagellate:acritarch ratios in the Warlingham borehole



TION	STAGE	ZONE	SUB ZONE	SAM- PLE	DINOFLA 0 100	GELLATES		40 60	% 50 50	60 40	70 30	80 20	ACF	100
	M. OX- FORDIAN	plicatilis	vertibrale	Br. 115 140		1			-					
			cordatum	170		~			1					
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			Carula	246		<			1					
			bulowskii	313		2	-		1					
			prae.	340 368				5	i.					
7			cordatum	395				<b>\$</b>	1					
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## Dinoflagellate:acritarch ratios in the Warboys and Warlingham boreholes



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	M. OX- FORDIAN	plicatilis	vertibrale					1			
		cordatum	cordatum corsti- cardia bulowskii	<	$\sum$					÷	
CLAY	OXFORDIAN		pree - cordatum			3					
UPPER OXFORD	LOWER OXFO	mariae	scarburg- hense			VXXXV		- <u>-</u> - <u>-</u> - <u>-</u> - <u>A</u>			
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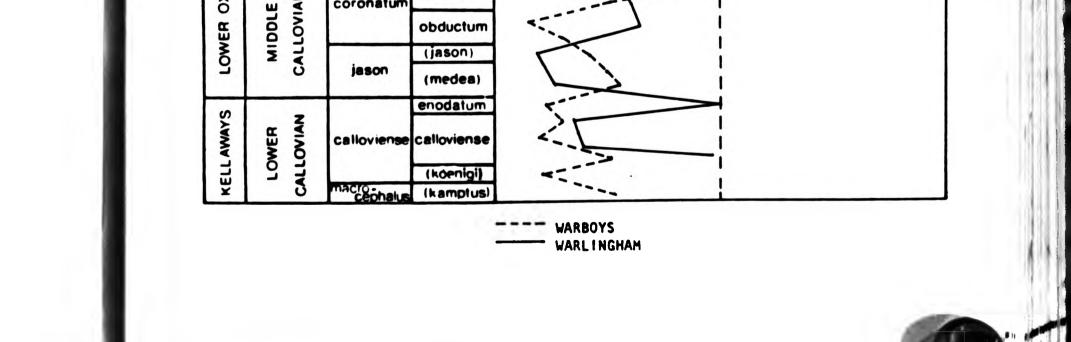
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Relative frequencies of microplankton to miospores in samples from the Oxford Clay of the East Midlands (after Woollam, 1977)



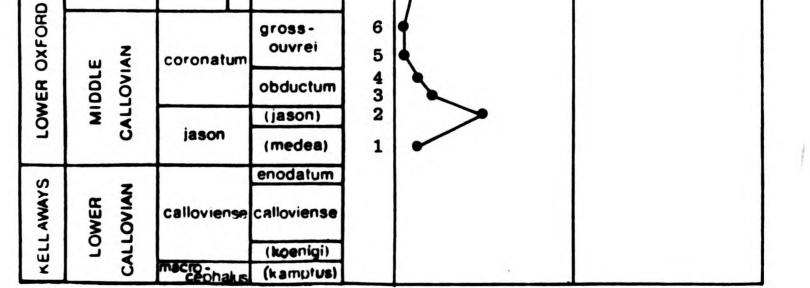
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MICROPLANKTON MIOSPORES % SAM-PLE SUB ZONE 80 90 60 70 20 50 10 30 40 FORM STAGE ZONE 40 30 20 10 50 90 80 70 60 M. OXplicatilis vertibrale FORDIAN cordatum corsticordatum cardia bulowskii prae -OXFORDIAN cordatum CLAY OXFORD mariae scarburg-LOWER hense UPPER 13 lamberti 12 CLAY 11 U 10 CALLOVIAN OXFORD (No exposure) MIDDLE athleta m UPPER 9 8 CLAY 7

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a similar trend. In both boreholes, Lower and Middle Callovian, and Lower Oxfordian samples contain a higher percentage of dinoflagellates than acritarchs, whilst there is a noticeable increase in the ratios of acritarchs to dinoflagellates in the Upper Callovian, especially so in Warboys (fig.7.8). A 6.

Fig.7.9 illustrates the relative frequencies of microplankton to miospores in Middle Callovian to Lower Oxfordian samples from the Oxford Clay of the East Midlands (after Woollam, 1977). It is interesting to compare the trend shown here with the dinoflagellate:acritarch ratios in fig.7.8 where the similarity is quite striking. In fig.7.9 the higher proportions of miospores in the upper <u>coronatum</u> and lower <u>athleta</u> zones tend to correspond, broadly speaking, with higher proportions of acritarchs at the same level at Warlingham (fig.7.7) and similarly (although to a lesser extent)at Warboys (fig.7.6). The gradual increase in the proportion of microplankton to miospores in fig.7.9 is similarly reflected in the steady increase in the proportion of dinoflagellates to acritarchs at Warlingham (fig.7.7), throughout the Upper Callovian and into the Lower Oxfordian.

From these comparisons we may tentatively conclude that palaeoenvironmental conditions were, in all probability, similar in each of the three localities during Middle and lowermost Upper Callovian times, continuing to be comparable between Warlingham and the East Midlands until at least early Oxfordian times. From our discussions concerning the relative abundance of microplankton and the presence of high numbers of miospores in the Lower Oxfordian of Warlingham, we have already noted that there may have been fluctuations in oceanity during Lower and Middle Callovian times with a gradual deepening of the marine environment during the Upper Callovian, becoming shallower for the Lower Oxfordian. This development seems to have been similar in the East Midlands during this time (fig.7.9). From these comparisons it appears that dinoflagellate:

acritarch ratios may also be affected by oceanity; an increase in the proportion of acritarchs corresponding to more open-marine conditions, and vice-versa.

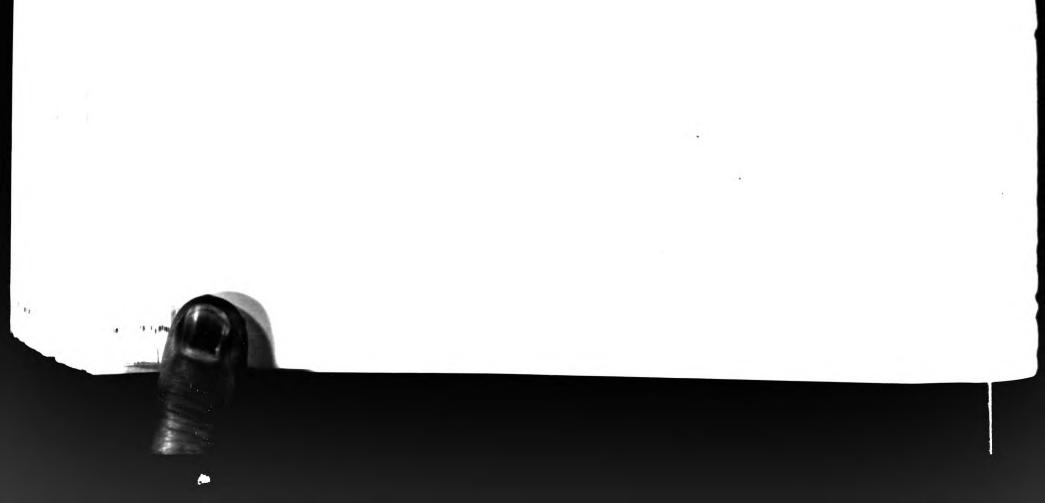
#### C. FLORAL SIMILARITIES AND REGIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

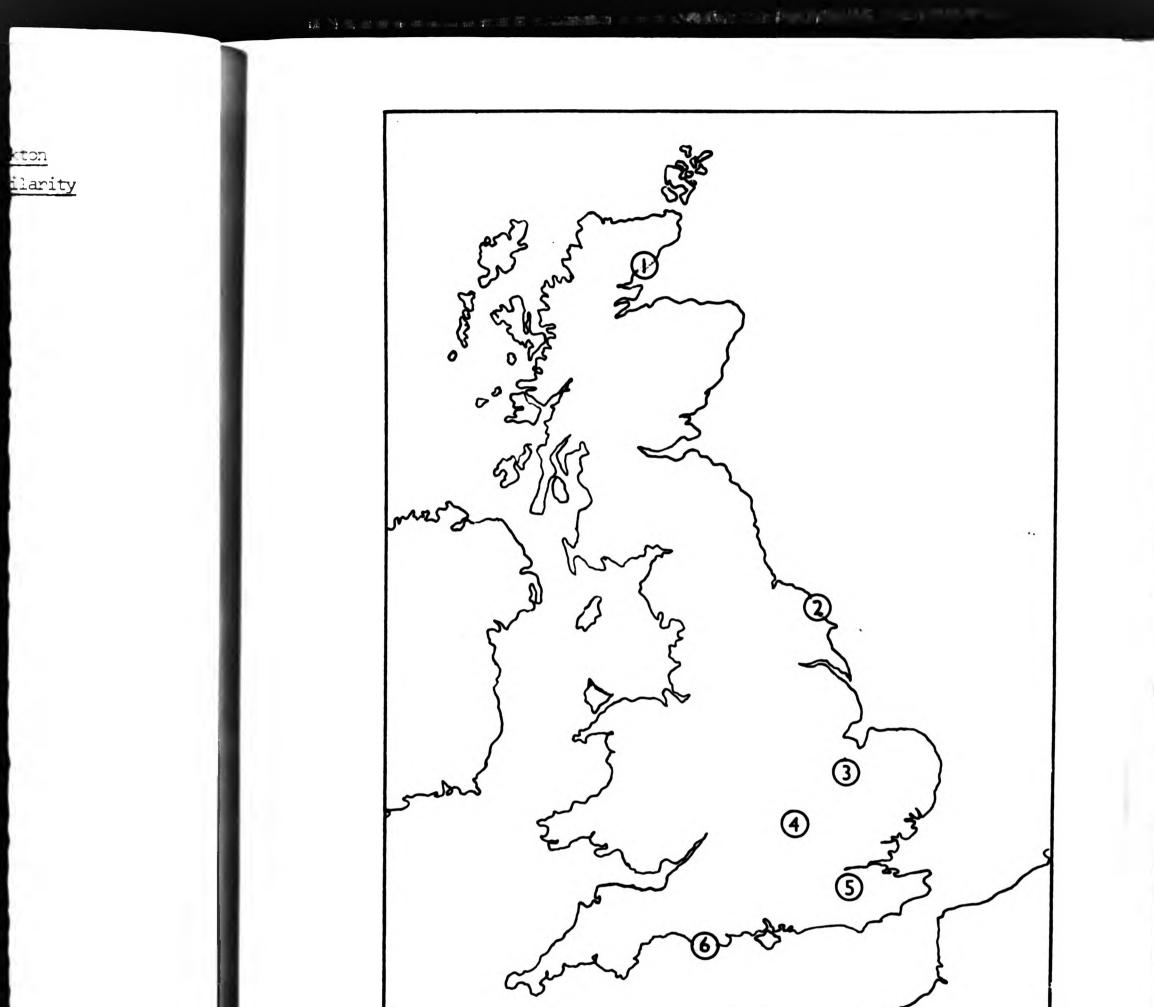
Having compared microplankton associations at Warboys and Warlingham (and to a certain extent with the East Midlands), an attempt has been made to compare data obtained here with similar data from other parts Great Britain and North West France (fig.7.10). Data from Warboys

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### Localities used for comparison of microplankton assemblages in plotting coefficients of similarity





200 100 KM

- 1 North-East Scotland Lam & Porter, 1977
- 2 Yorkshire
- 3 Warboys
- 4 East Midlands
- 5 Warlingham
- 6 Dorset
- 7 Normandy

- Sarjeant, 1960b; 1961a
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- Woollam, 1977
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- Sarjeant, 1962b
- Sarjeant, 1965; 1968

and Warlingham has been compared with published data from the Callovian and Oxfordian of North-East Scotland (Lam and Porter, 1977), Yorkshire (Sarjeant, 1960b, 1961a), East Midlands (Woollam, 1977), Dorset (Sarjeant, 1962b) and Normandy (Sarjeant, 1965, 1968). Each locality was compared with every other locality for the five intervals - Lower, Middle and Upper Callovian, Lower and Middle Oxfordian, and a simple coefficient of similarity computed for each comparison using the formula:

$$\frac{b}{a_1 + a_2 - b}$$
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where  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  are the total number of species in each of the two localities being compared; b is the number of species common to both localities and c is the percentage-similarity between them. Essentially the technique used is the Jaccard Similarity Coefficient expressed as a percentage. The raw data is illustrated in figs.7.11 a-e; the computed data illustrated diagramatically in figs.7.12 a-e and graphically in fig. 7.13.

In an ideal situation this simple method of chronostratigraphic correlation would prove very useful indeed. Christensen and Kilenyi (1970) have successfully used this technique for correlation of the Northern and Western European Kimmeridgian deposits using ostracod assemblages. However, use of the technique in this study highlights some of the problems encountered in attempting to establish a coherent picture of palaeoenvironmental conditions from a variety of different sources. Two such problems are outlined briefly as follows:

#### (i) Problems of sampling

It is clear that a uniform method of sampling is highly desireable, and in particular the interval at which stratigraphic sequences are sampled. For example, Sarjeant (1961a) describes Lower Callovian (<u>calloviense</u> zone) to Lower Oxfordian (<u>mariae</u> zone) microplankton assemblages from only

four samples! He similarly describes assemblages representing the same time interval using five samples from Normandy (Sarjeant, 1965, 1968). Lam and Porter (1977) and Woollam (1977) each use thirteen samples to describe Callovian/Oxfordian assemblages from North-East Scotland and the East Midlands respectively. By way of contrast, Lower Callovian to Lower Oxfordian microplankton assemblages described here are from forty-eight and seventy samples from Warboys and Warlingham respectively. It will obviously follow that the closer the sample-interval, the more representative will be the assemblages and consequently a more accurate picture obtained. This is highlighted by the close similarity displayed between localities 3,4 and 5 in figs.7.12 a-d.

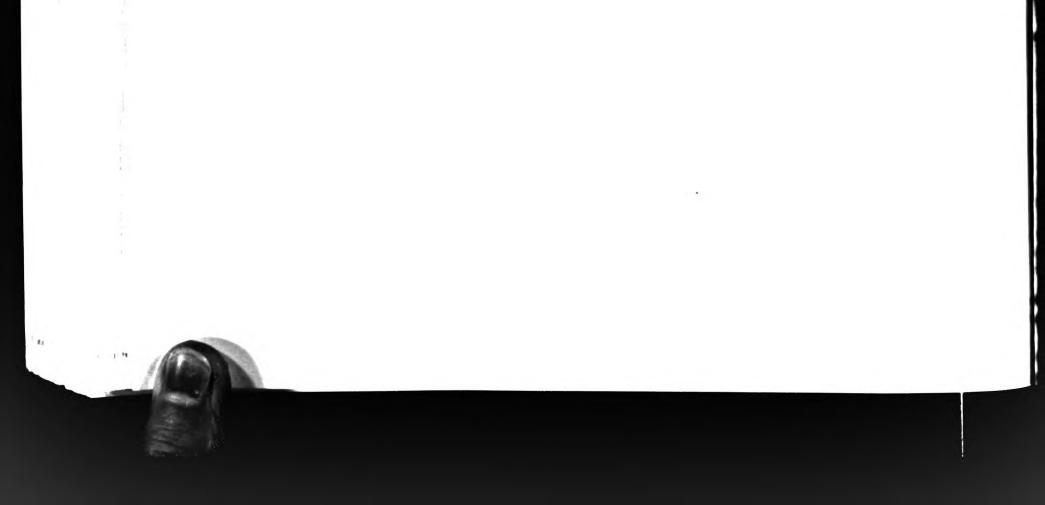
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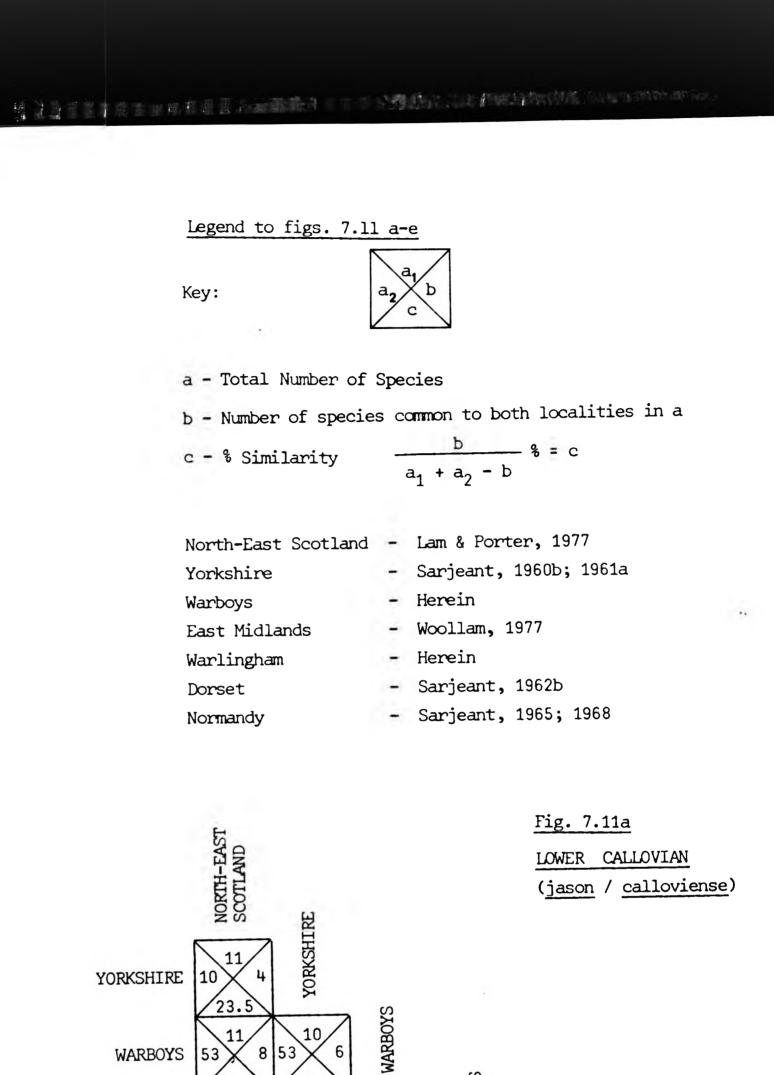
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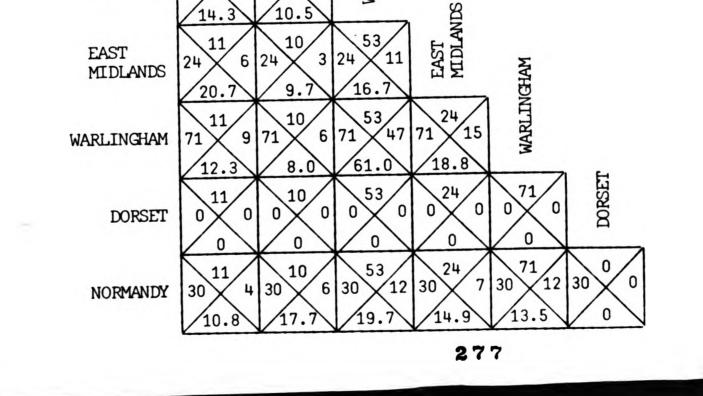
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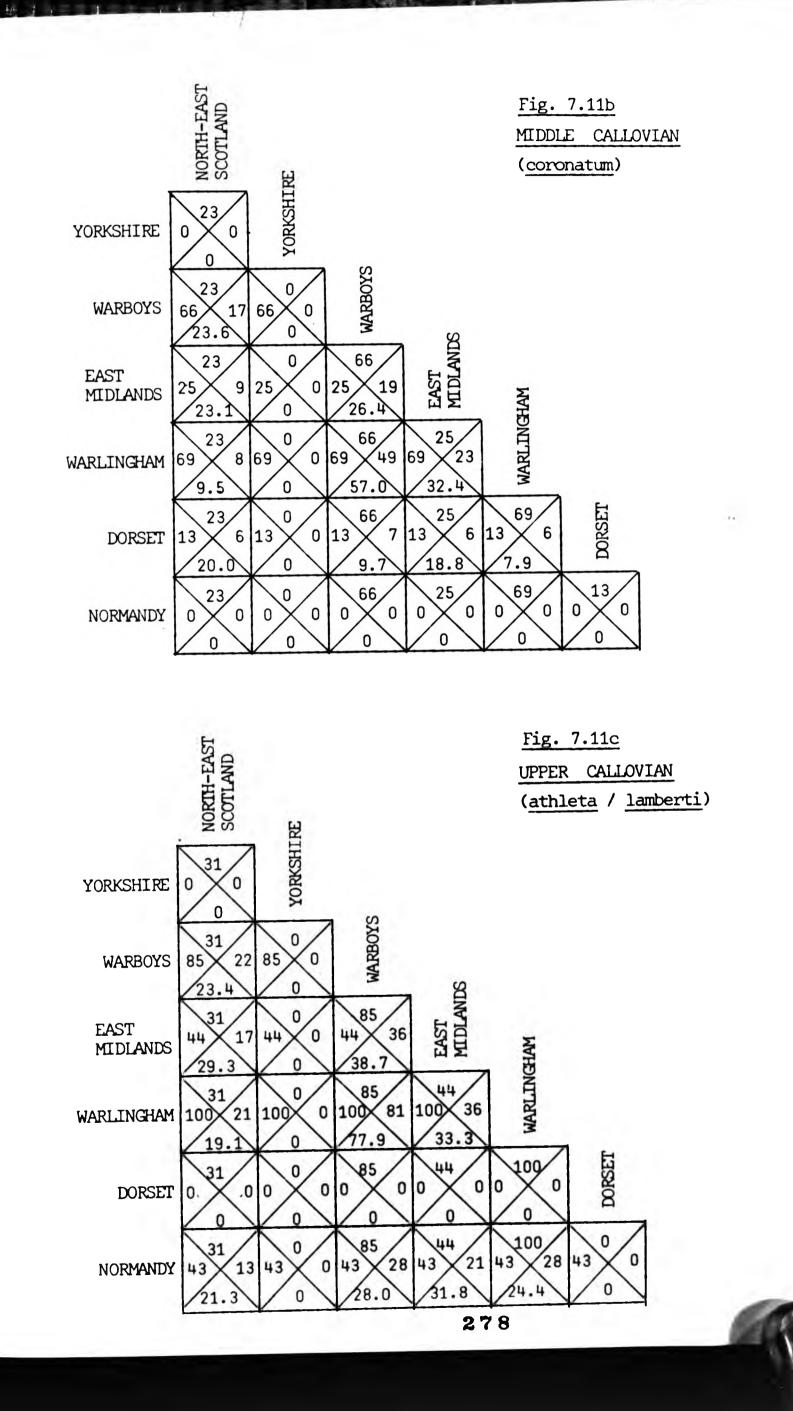
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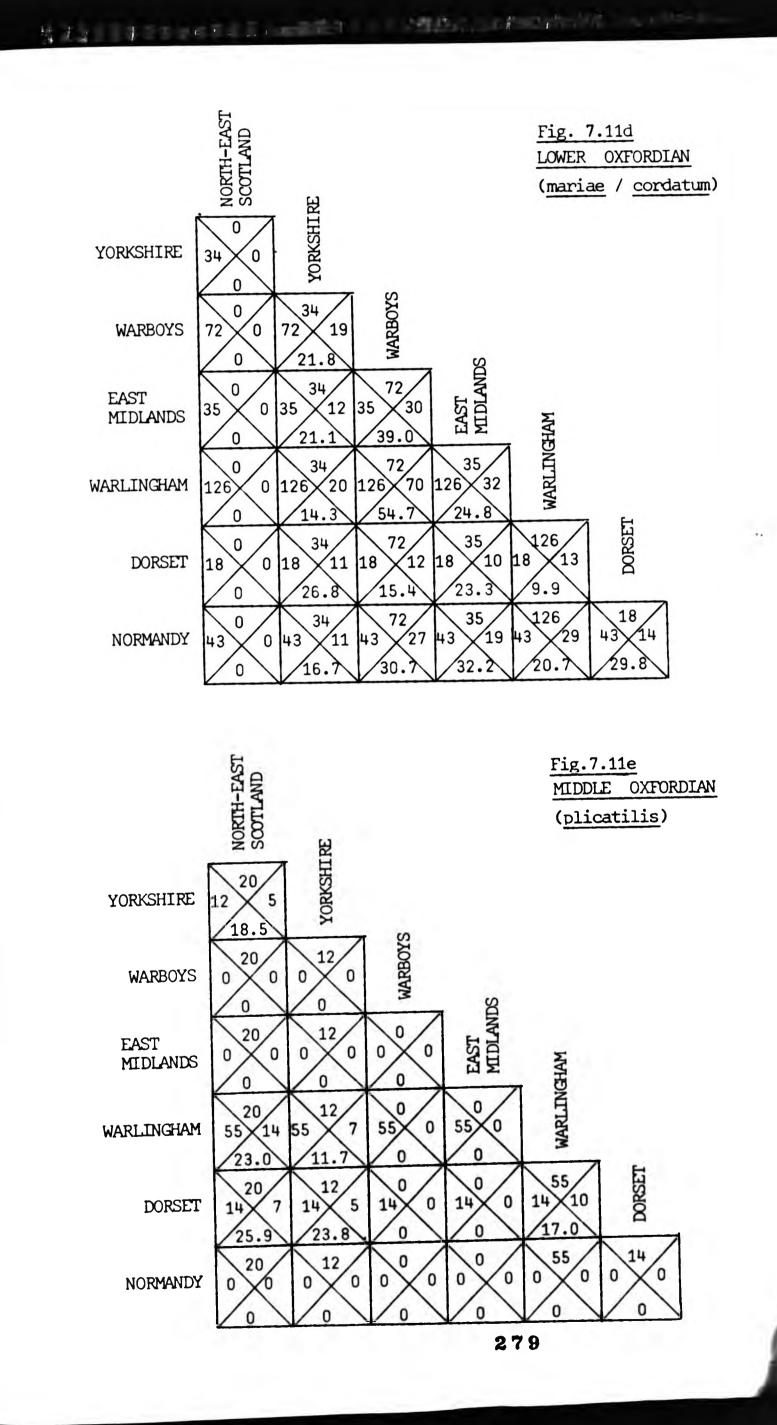




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#### (ii) Species identification

It is equally clear that uniformity in identification of species between localities is of paramount importance. Difficulties arise here because of the constant revision of diagnoses of species and also because the list of known microplankton taxa is rapidly expanding. This problem can be overcome, to a certain extent, if research work is well-documented and species adequately described and illustrated. Unfortunately this varies between authors and comparisons are therefore not so easily made.

If such problems were able to be minimized effectively, or ideally overcome altogether, then this method of chronostratigraphic correlation between regions would be an invaluable tool for determination of palaeoenvironmental conditions, and changes affecting the regional distribution of microplankton. If employed on a larger scale, this technique may prove useful in our, as yet limited, understanding of dinoflagellate provincialism. (Norris, 1975, has given an outline of the present knowledge of dinoflagellate provincialism in the Upper Jurassic).

With reference to figs. 7.12 a-e an attempt to draw certain tentative conclusions can be made. An initial observation of these figures will reveal that the highest similarities are between localities in relatively close proximity, particularly between localities 3,4 and 5. This will not be surprising since one would expect to find a greater similarity between microplankton assemblages in a restricted geographical area. Conversely a greater variation in assemblages will naturally occur over a wider geographic area due to changes in the physical environment.

In the Lower Callovian (fig.7.12a) there is a fairly low percentage-similarity between all localities (excepting 3,4 and 5), presumably indicating a variety of palaeoenvironmental conditions throughout the realm at this time. This reflects the fluctuations in oceanity inferred from the dinoflagellate:acritarch ratios (fig.7.8) and relative abundance of microplankton (fig.7.1). By Middle Callovian times (fig.7.12b) a clearer and more uniform pattern is beginning to emerge. There is an increasing percentage-similarity in the whole area east and south-east of the Midlands (localities 3, 4 and 5), with a stronger link being established between these areas and North-East Scotland (locality 1); a feature which continues into the Upper Callovian (fig.7.12c). A link with Dorset (locality 6) is established during the Middle Callovian but is only short-lived and with relatively few species in common with other localities.

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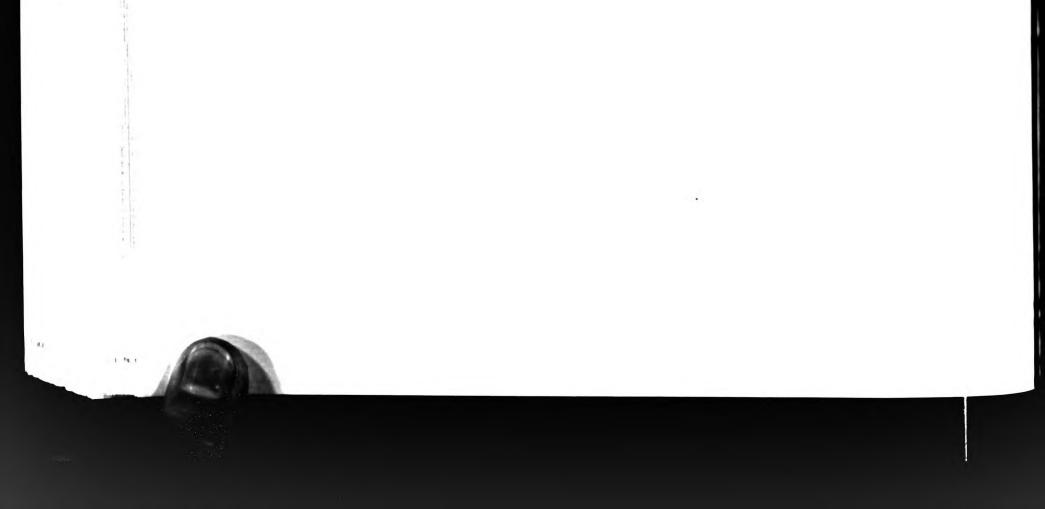


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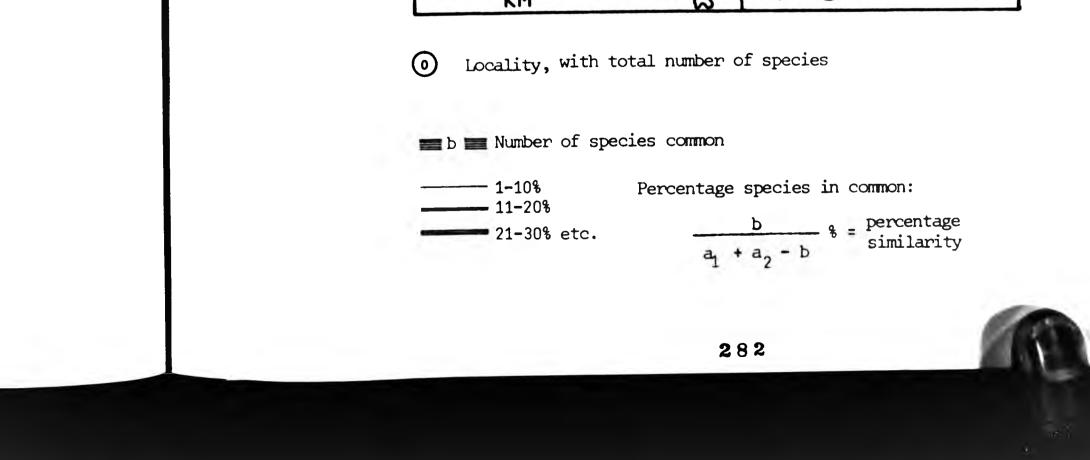
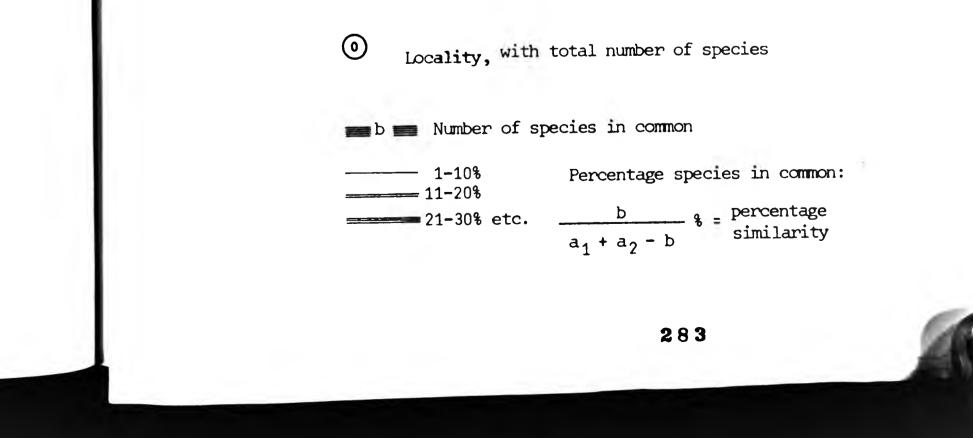
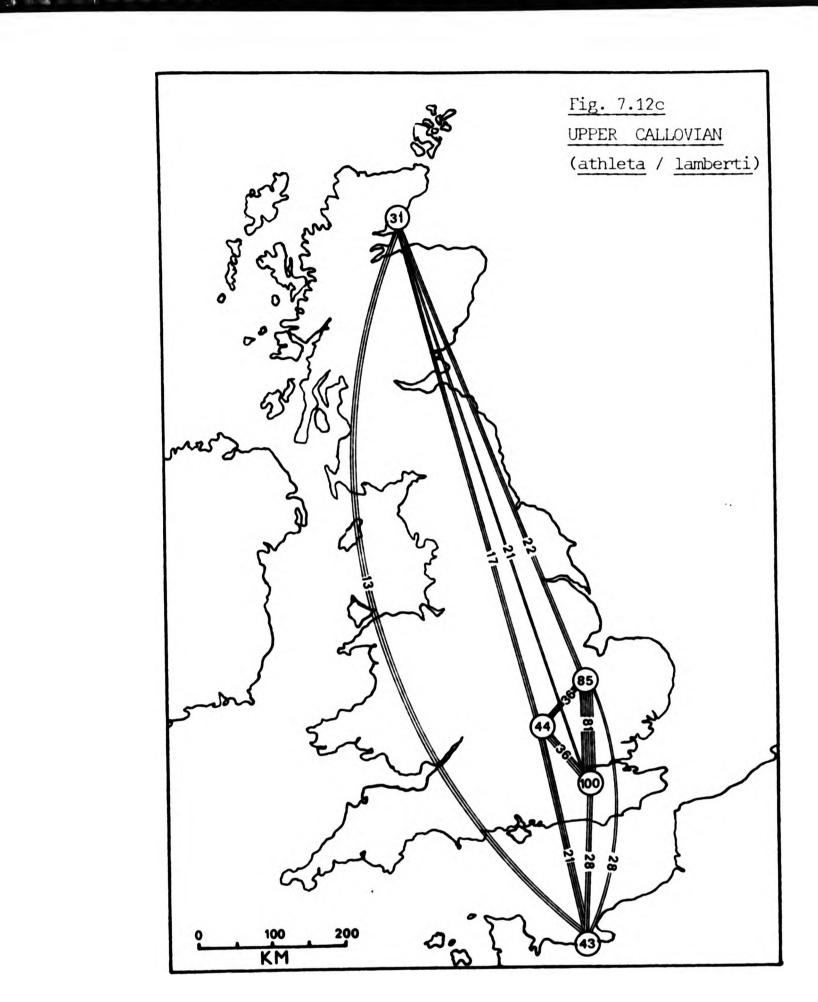


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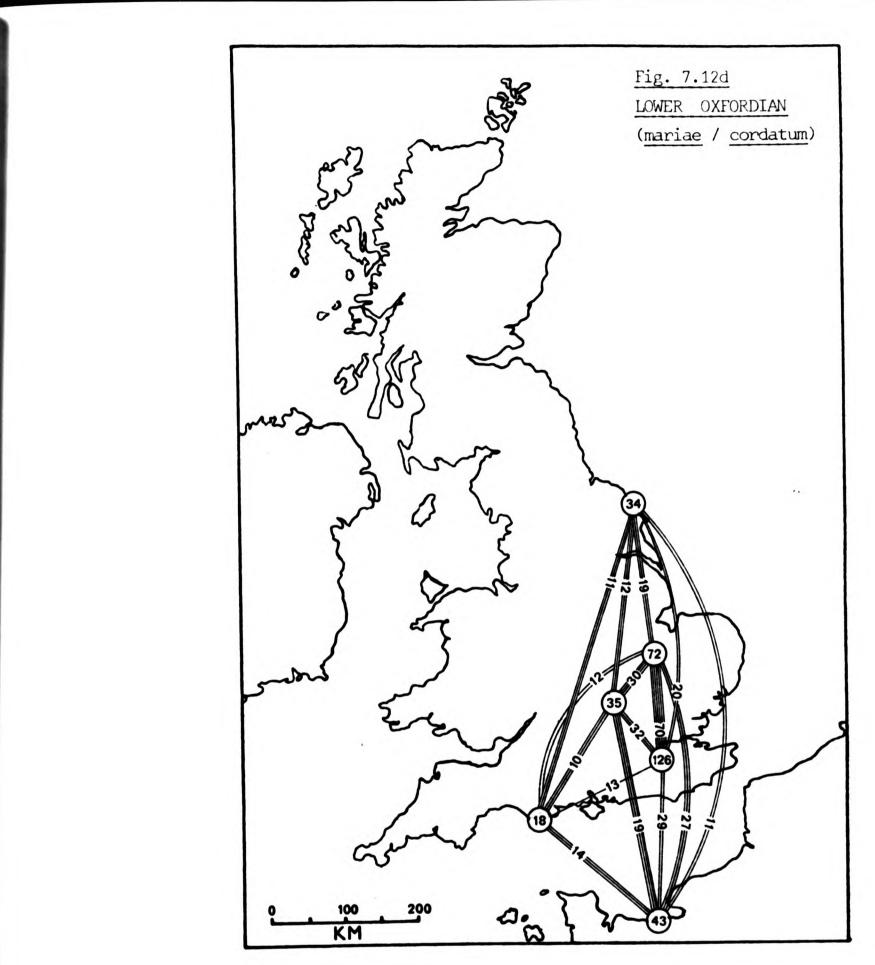


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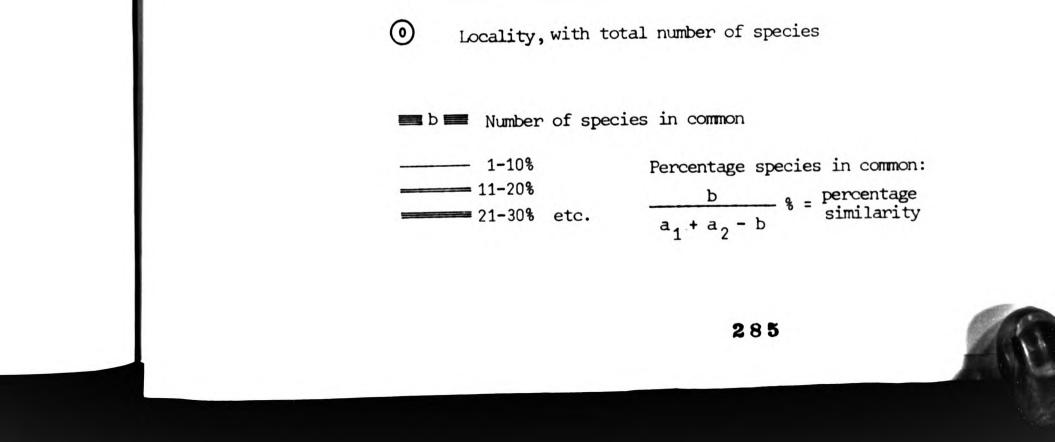
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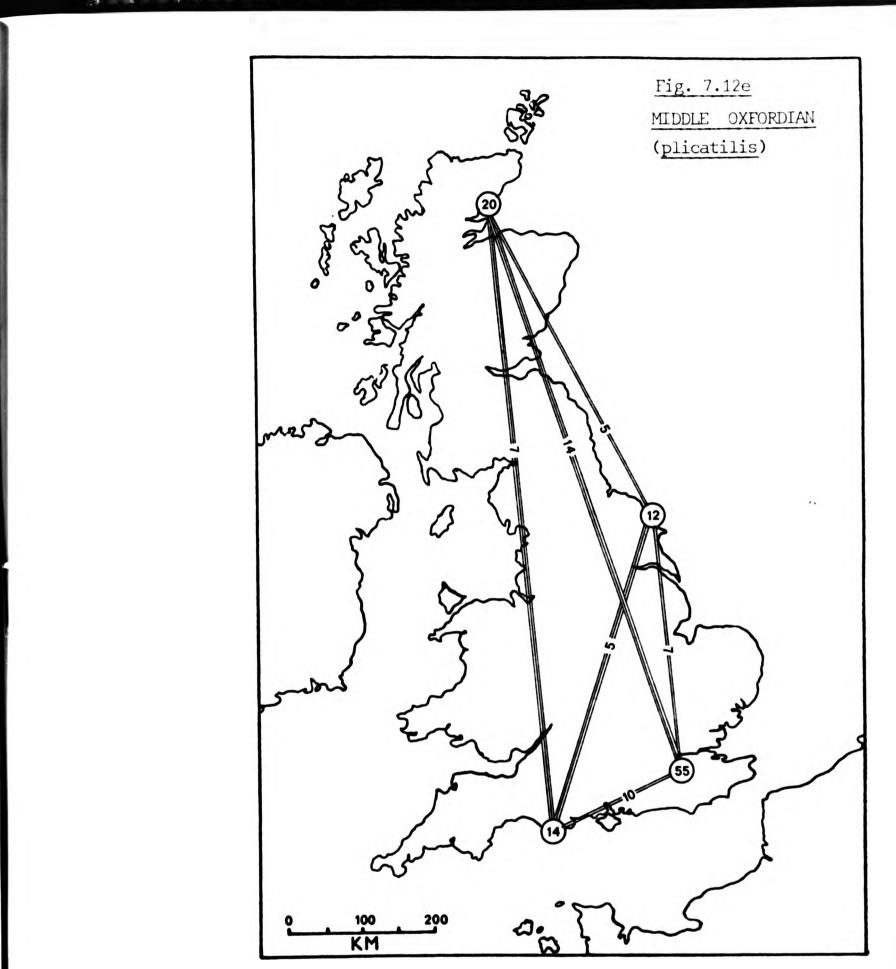
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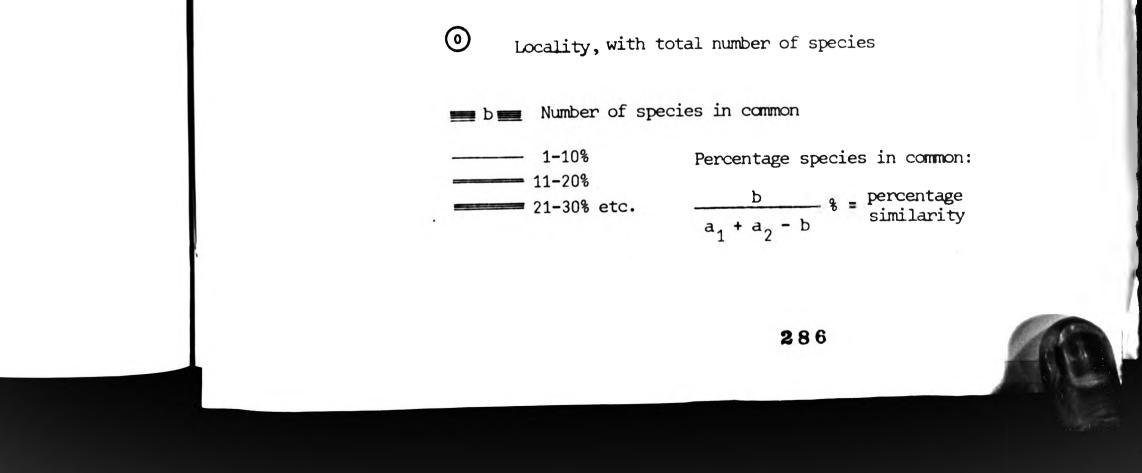
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Histograms illustrating percentage speciessimilarity between localities illustrated in fig. 7.10

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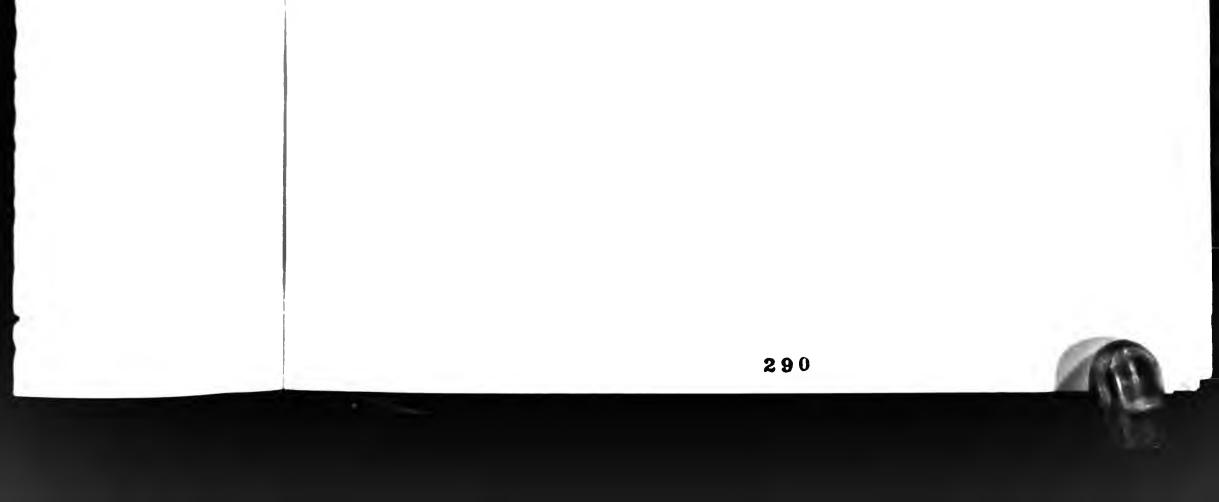
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Horizontal axis: Divisions of theCallovian/Oxfordian stages.

- 1 Lower Callovian (jason/calloviense zones)
- 2 Middle Callovian (coronatum zone)
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- 3 Upper Callovian (<u>athleta/lamberti</u> zones)
- 4 Lower Oxfordian (mariae/cordatum zones)
- 5 Middle Oxfordian (plicatilis zone)



It appears that the Oxford Clay sea reached its maximum development at around the Callovian/Oxfordian transition. The decrease in relative abundance of microplankton (fig.7.1) in the Lower Oxfordian, together with an increase in the proportion of dinoflagellates to acritarchs (fig.7.8) suggests a shallowing of the marine environment, probably due to a silting-up of the basin of deposition. Unfortunately surface erosion has removed the remaining Oxfordian deposits (praecordatum zone upwards) at Warboys. At Warlingham however, the Oxford Clay sequence gives way to the Corallian Beds above. Wilson (1967) has suggested that the great mass of Coralline Limestone at Warlingham (from 913.13 metres to 953.95 metres) was deposited in a littoral, intertidal environment, under calmer water than that in which a true 'coral rag' facies would have developed. Worssam and Ivimey-Cook (1971) conclude that "the development of a coralline facies in the Corralian Beds at Warlingham and in East Kent, in contrast to the predominantly clay facies proved by boreholes in the Central Weald, is due to the influence of the London Platform to the North" (ibid., p41). It is clear from this that the Oxford Clay sea must have been shallowing during Lower Oxfordian times. The increasing abundance of miospores in the Upper Oxford Clay at Warlingham towards the top of the sequence is further evidence of this, and gives weight to the proposition here that an increase in the relative proportions of dinoflagellates to acritarchs may be indicative of shallow water environments.





Chapter eight

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In chapter one the primary aims of the programme of research were stated as being three-fold and outlined as being:

> 1) To evaluate the importance of fossil microplankton assemblages for inter-regional, biostratigraphic correlation in general, using the two boreholes as tests of this, and the factors which govern their distribution.

> 2) To establish, as far as is possible, a zonation scheme for the Kellaways Beds and Oxford Clay using assemblages of microplankton - dinoflagellate cysts in particular.

3) To investingte the potentiality of statistical and numerical methods of analysis in biostratigraphy using microplankton assemblages.

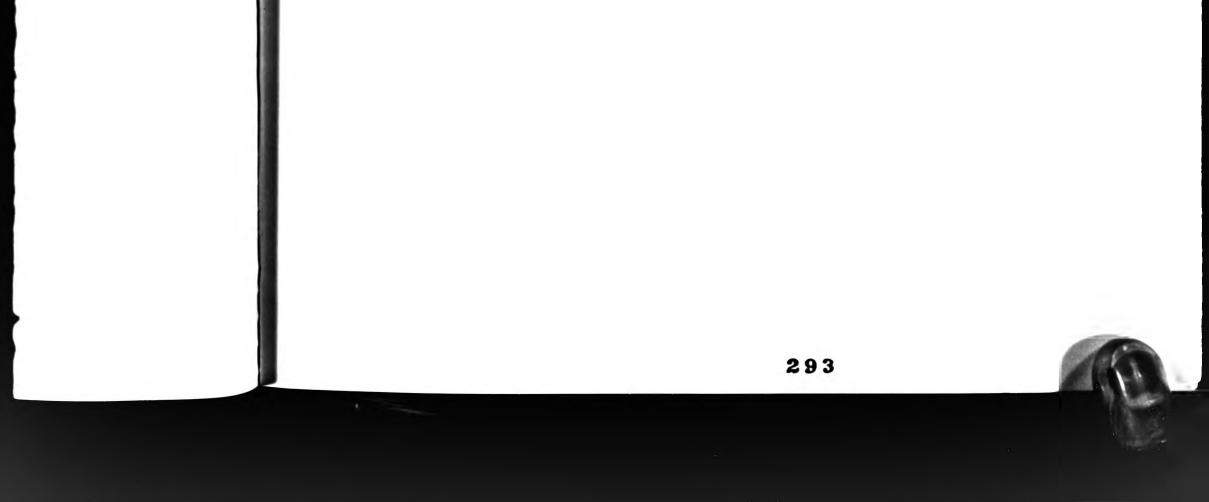
By way of conclusion, how far these aims have been achieved are briefly summarised.

There is no doubt in the author's mind concerning the value of microplankton assemblages for purposes of biostratigraphic correlation, at both local and inter-regional levels. The fact that they are planktonic organisms, occuring in vast numbers in relatively small samples of sediment and extracted with relatively simple techniques, makes for their importance in this role. In chapter seven we have examined the present position with regards to our understanding of the palaeoenvironmental parameters governing distribution of microplankton and have noted that considerable further work is neccessary before definite conclusions can be drawn. As a result of the present work it is felt that the dinoflagellate:acritarch ratios in fossil assemblages may well be palaeoenvironmentally significant in determining oceanity, although further tests of this are obviously neccessary. Inter-regional correlation using the Jaccard Coefficient of Similarity, expressed as a percentage (chapter seven) is considered to be a potentially useful tool in the hands of biostratigraphers working with microplankton assemblages, being easily calculated and the results portrayed in a simple visual format.

From our discussion of the value of dinoflagellate cysts for the purposes of biostratigraphic correlation in chapter six, certain conclusions can be drawn. We have looked in some considerable detail at the work of Williams (1977) and Sarjeant (1979) as examples of proposed zonation schemes for the Callovian and Oxfordian using dinoflagellate cysts. Furthermore an attempt has been made to recognise each of these schemes in the present

assemblages. Because a cored-borehole, sampled at both close and regular intervals, provides the most ideal material for biostratigraphic analysis, one would have expected to have identified such previously-published zonation schemes. We have seen however that such is not the case. From this we may infer that dinoflagellate provinciallism may have a tighter geographical control over distribution patterns than originally conceived. Distinctive and recogniseable populations may well exist within the larger known floral provinces. The zonation scheme proposed here for the Kellaways Beds and Oxford Clay is based on the <u>local</u> ranges of dinoflagellate cysts and associated assemblages. It is not intended to be definitive but rather to provide a basis for future work.

We have noted in chapter six some of the problems inherent in conventional methods of biostratigraphy and pointed out the need for more rigorous and repeatable methods, based on quantitative rather than purely qualitative analyses. The two methods employed here (The Graphic Correlation Method and Cluster Analysis), whilst not giving wholly satisfactory results, will hopefully also provide a basis for future research.



#### ADDENDUM

At the binding stage of the present thesis the following publication appeared:

Riding, J.B. Jurassic dinocysts from the Warboys Borehole, Cambridgeshire, England. J. <u>Micropalaeontol</u>., 1, pp13-18. July, 1982

As the paper is directly related to the present work it was felt neccessary to comment briefly.

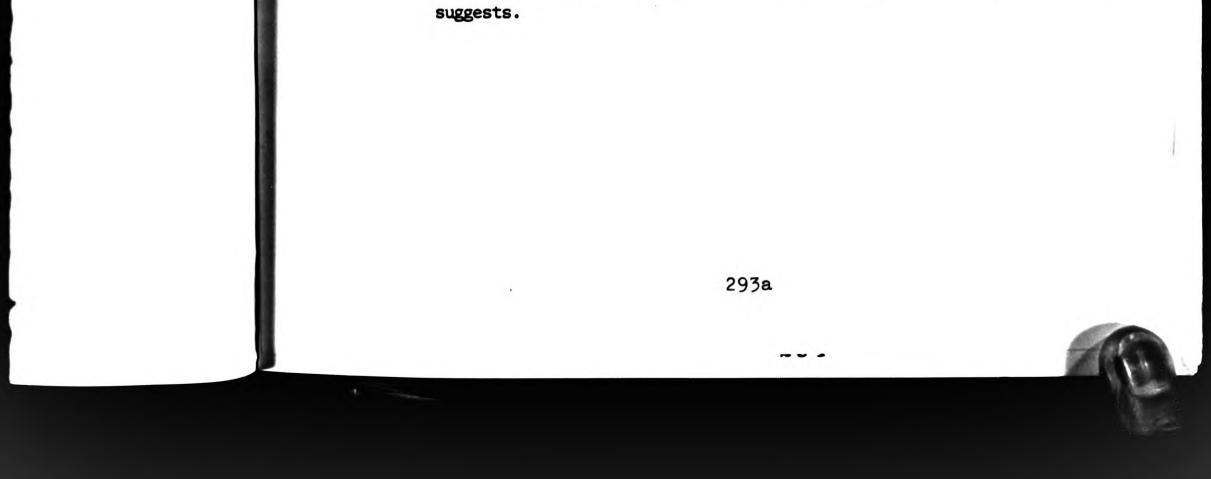
Riding describes dinocyst assemblages from 26 samples from the whole of the borehole (Toarcian to Early Oxfordian). However, assemblages are not described from the <u>calloviense</u> and <u>jason</u> zones of the Lower and Middle Callovian. Whilst many of the species listed occur in the present study there are several important differencies to be noted.

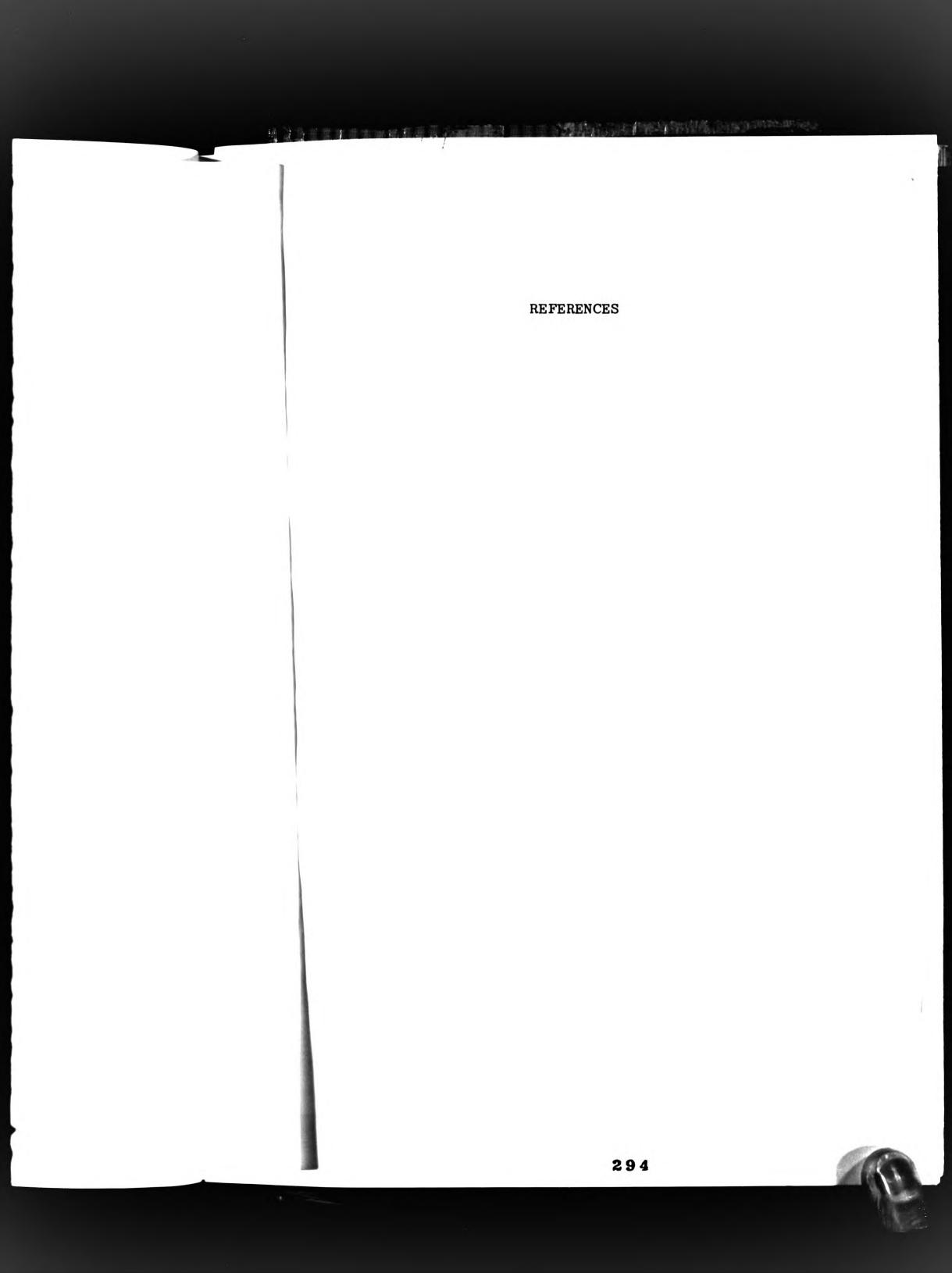
#### Middle/Late Callovian

In agreement with Riding, *Ctenidodinium continuum* is restricted to the Callovian. *Reutlingia gochtii* however is not restricted to the Upper <u>athleta</u> zone. In the present study *R. gochtii* was recorded consistently from samples between the Middle Callovian (<u>jason</u> zone) and Upper Callovian (<u>lamberti</u> zone) in the Warboys Borehole, extending into the Lower Oxfordian (<u>scarburghense</u> subzone) at Warlingham.

#### Callovian/Oxfordian Boundary

In the present study Polystephanephorous paracalathus is restricted to the Lower Callovian (<u>koenigi</u> subzone) at Warboys, extending into the Lower Oxfordian (<u>scarburghense</u> subzone) at Warlingham. Similarly Dinopterygium absidatum and Belodinium asaphum are restricted to the Lower Oxfordian at Warlingham; B. asaphum extending into the Middle Oxfordian (<u>plicatilis</u> zone). These species therefore appear to be not as characteristic of the Callovian/Oxfordian boundary as Riding





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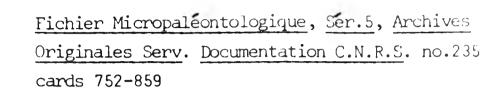
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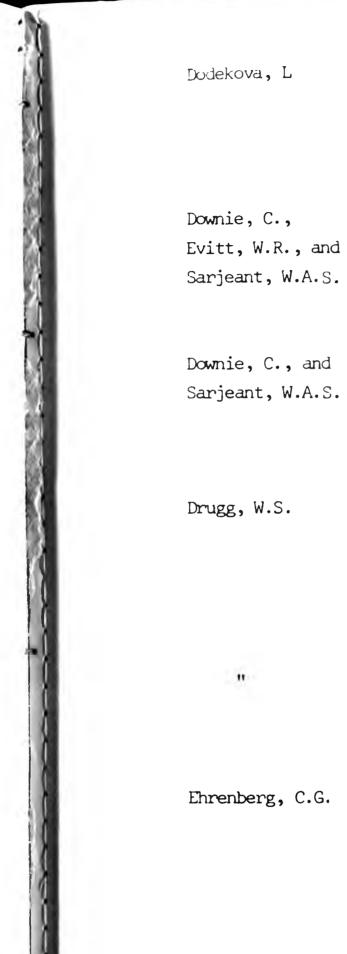
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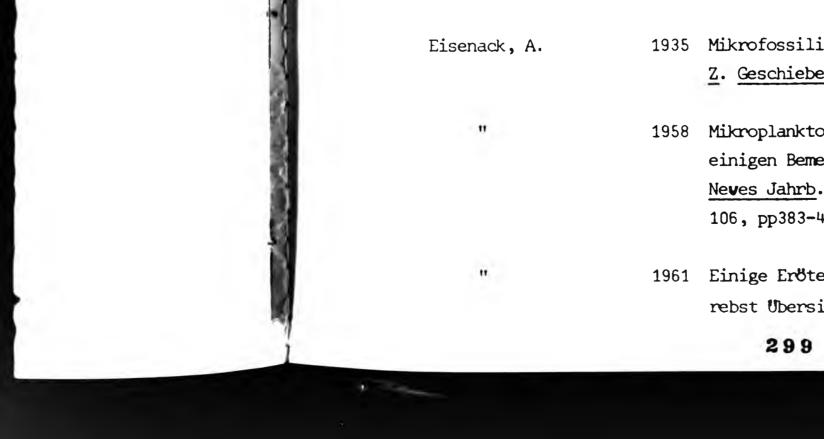
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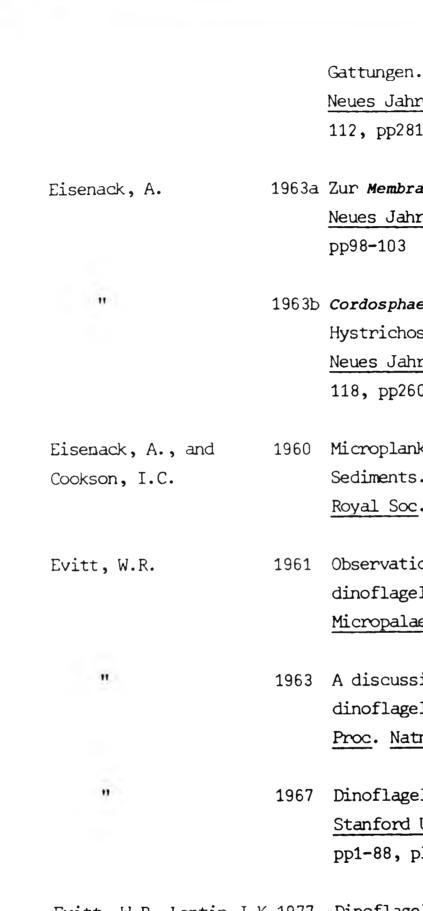
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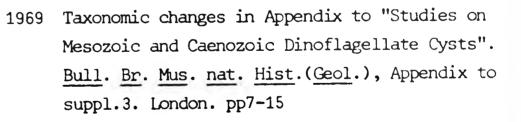
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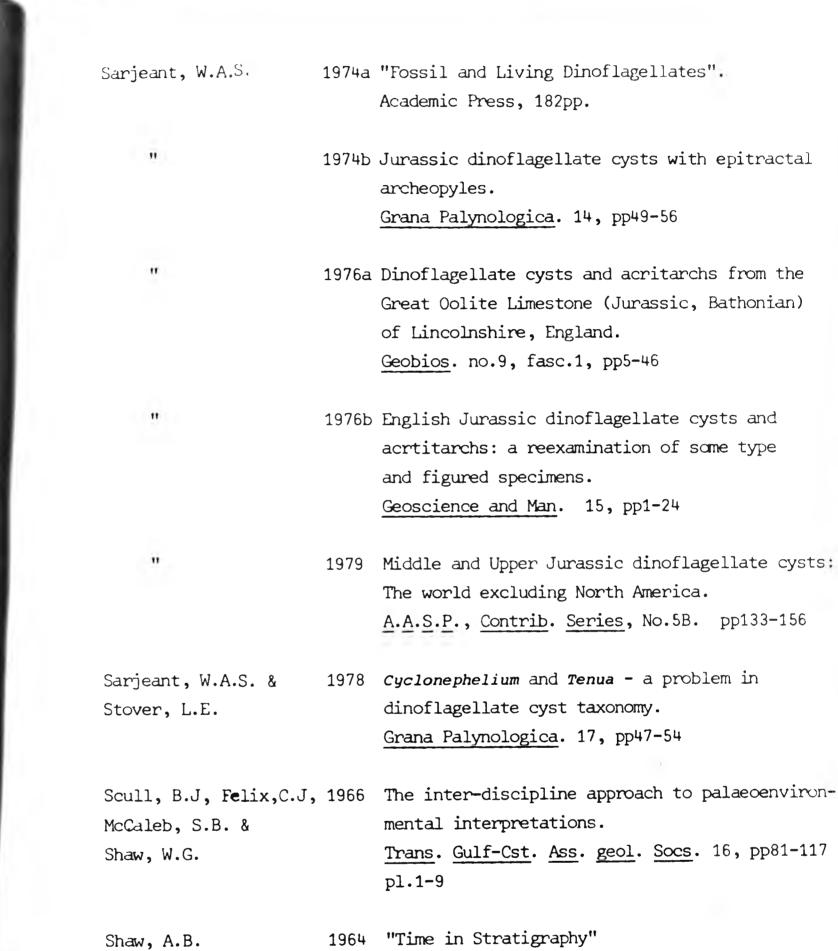


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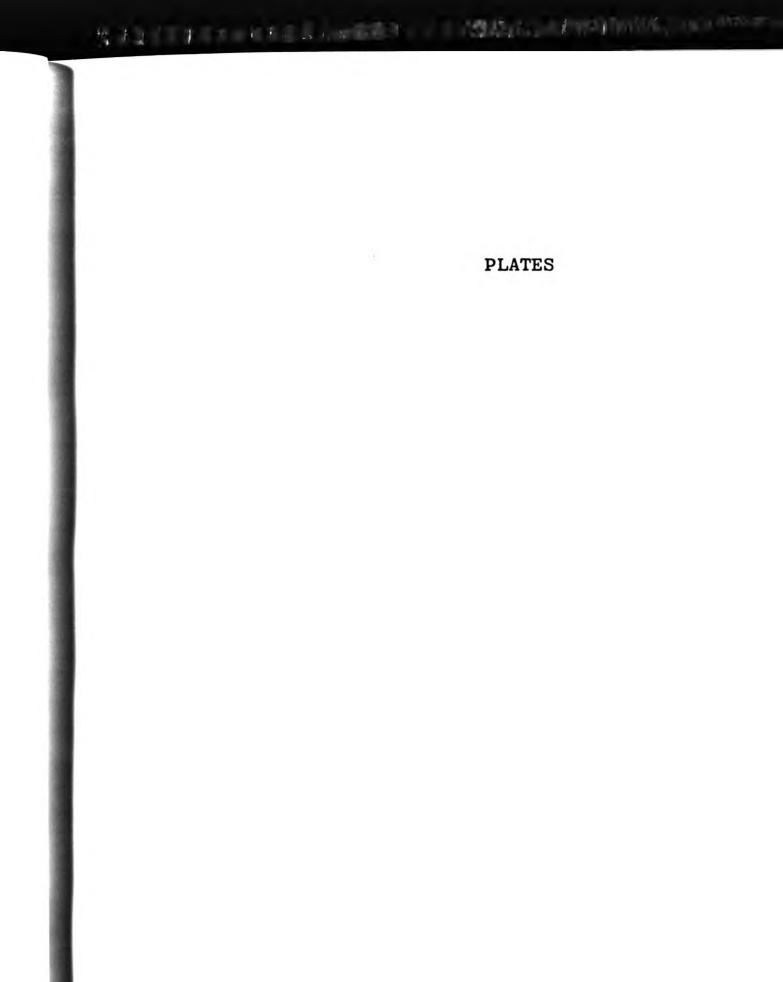
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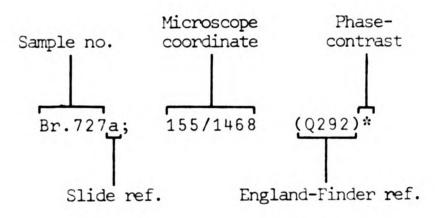
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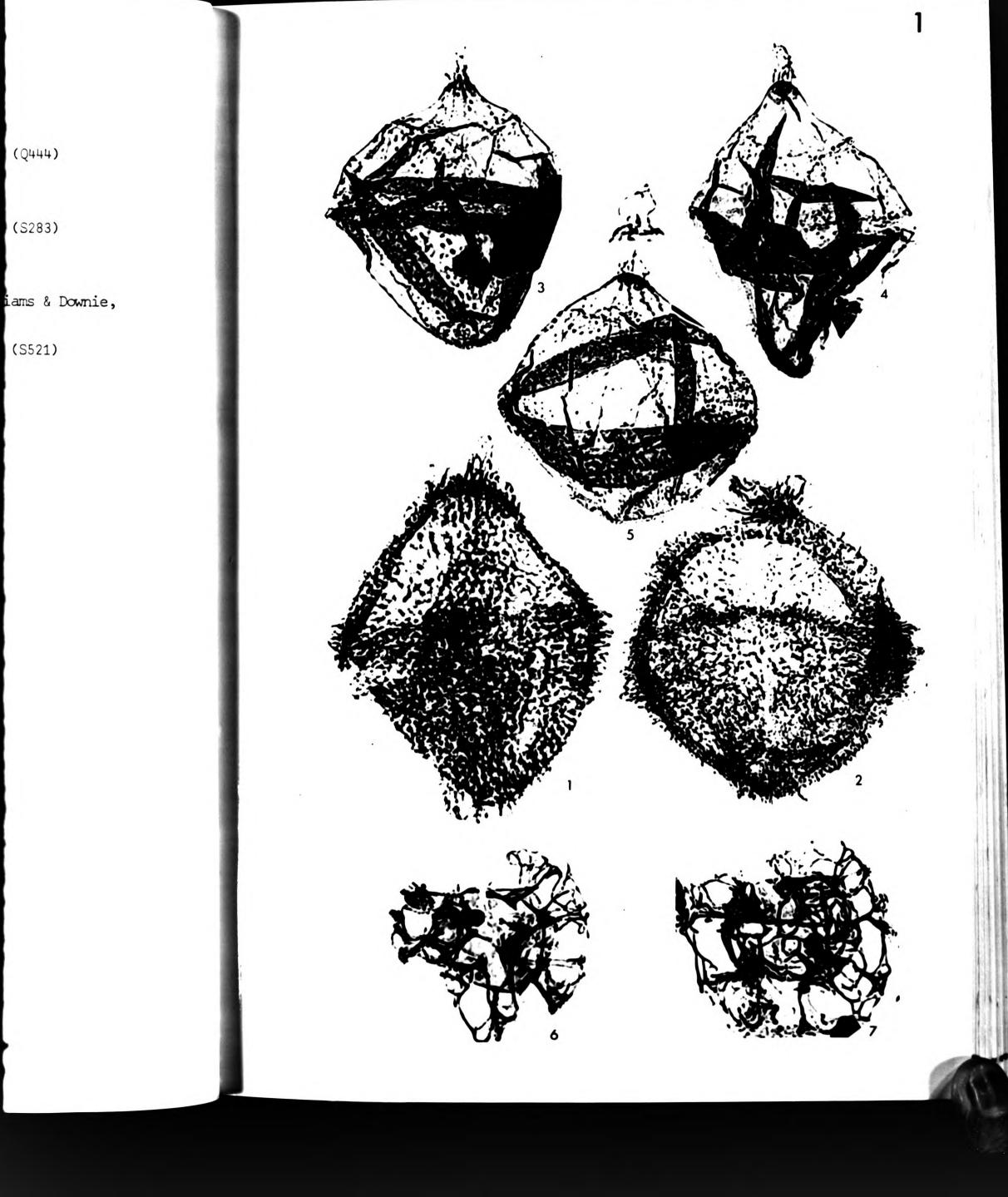
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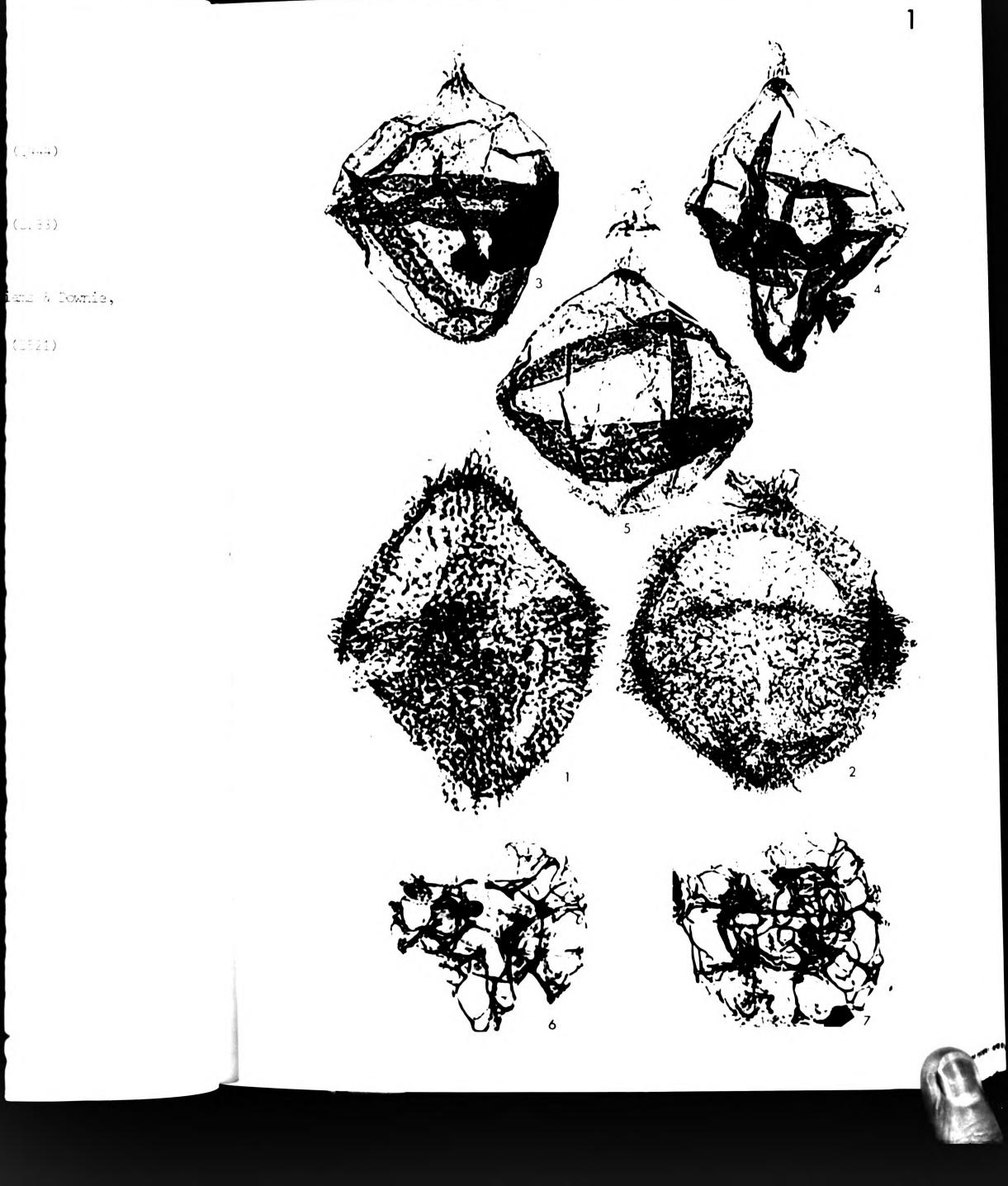


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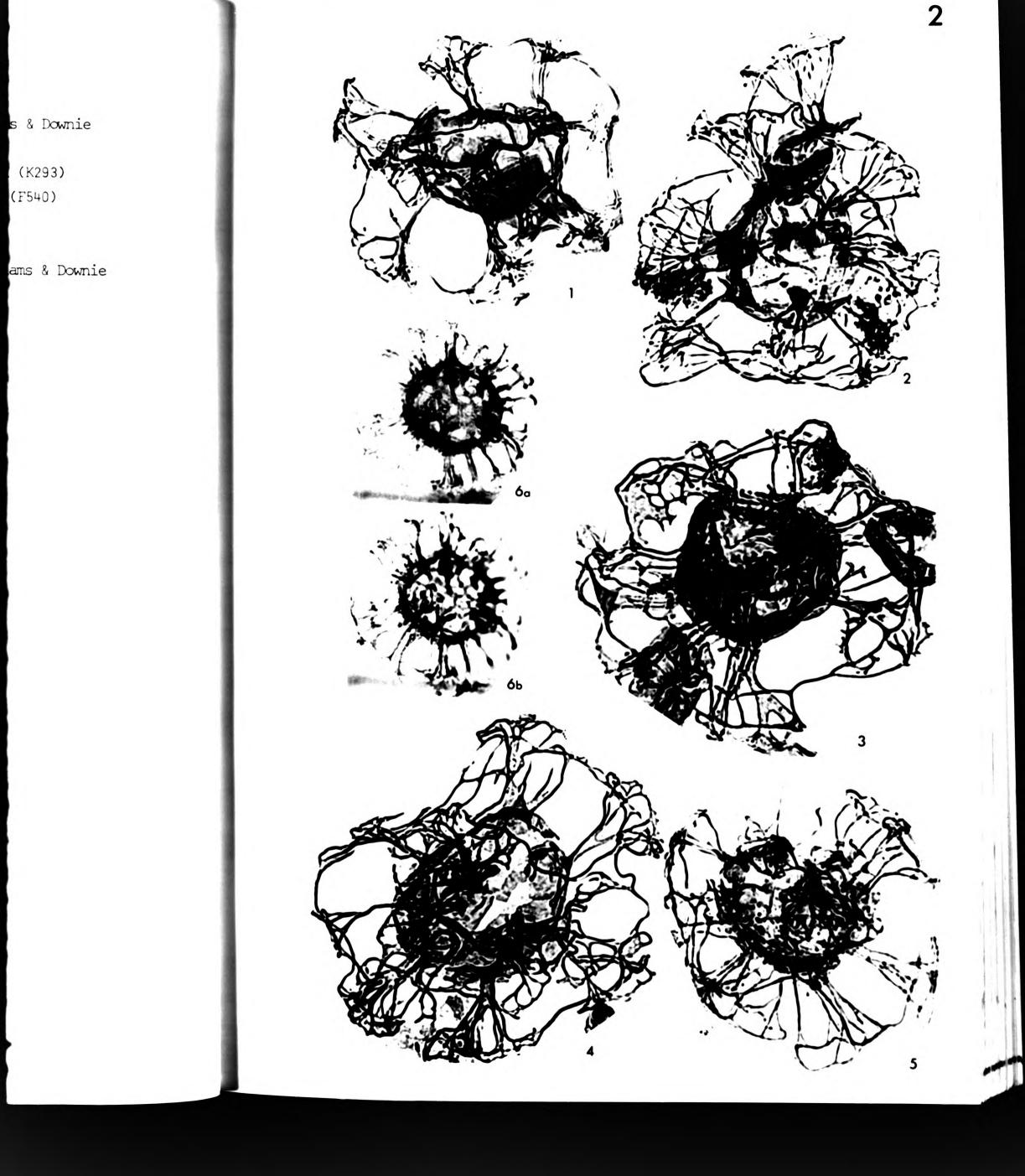
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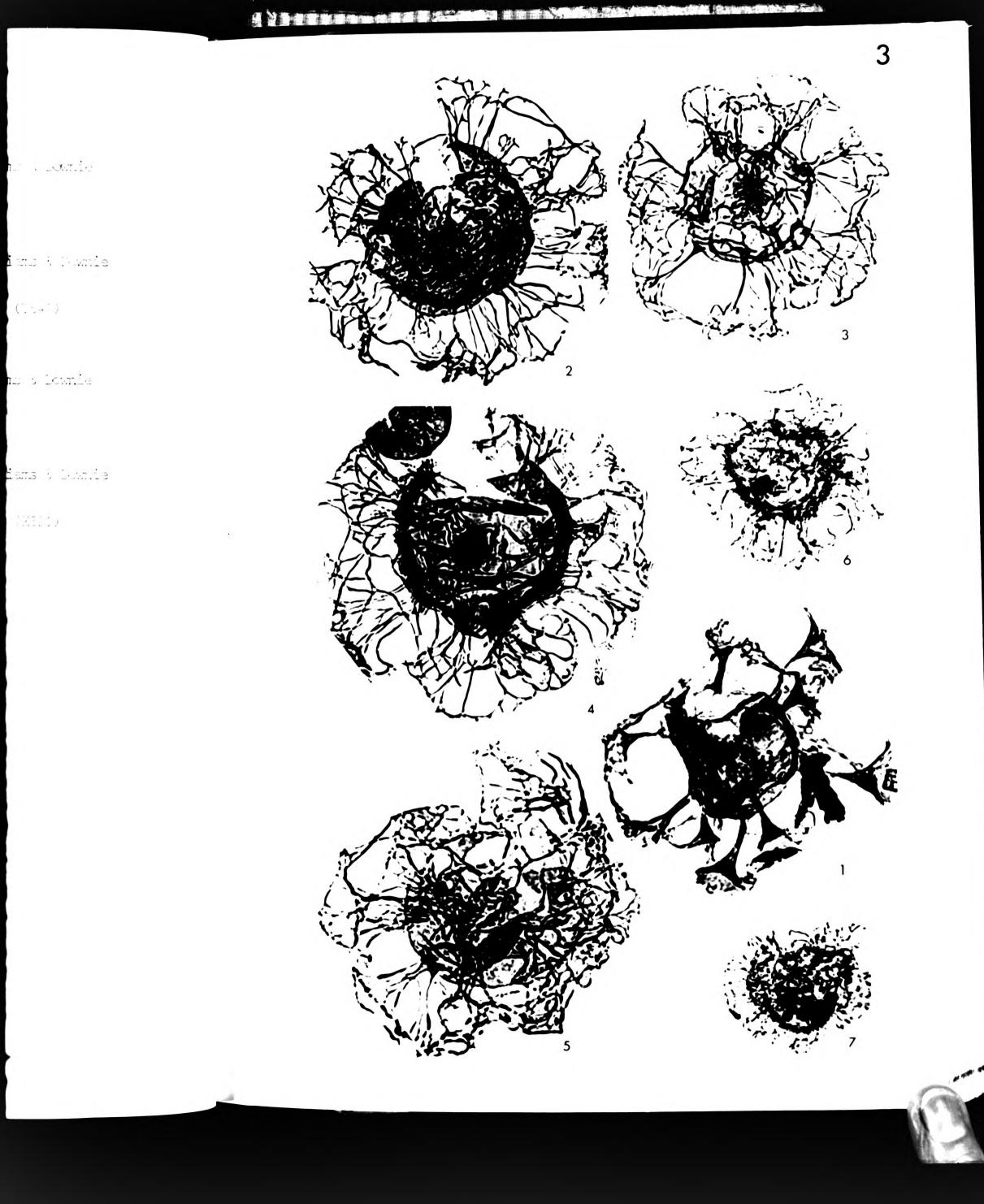


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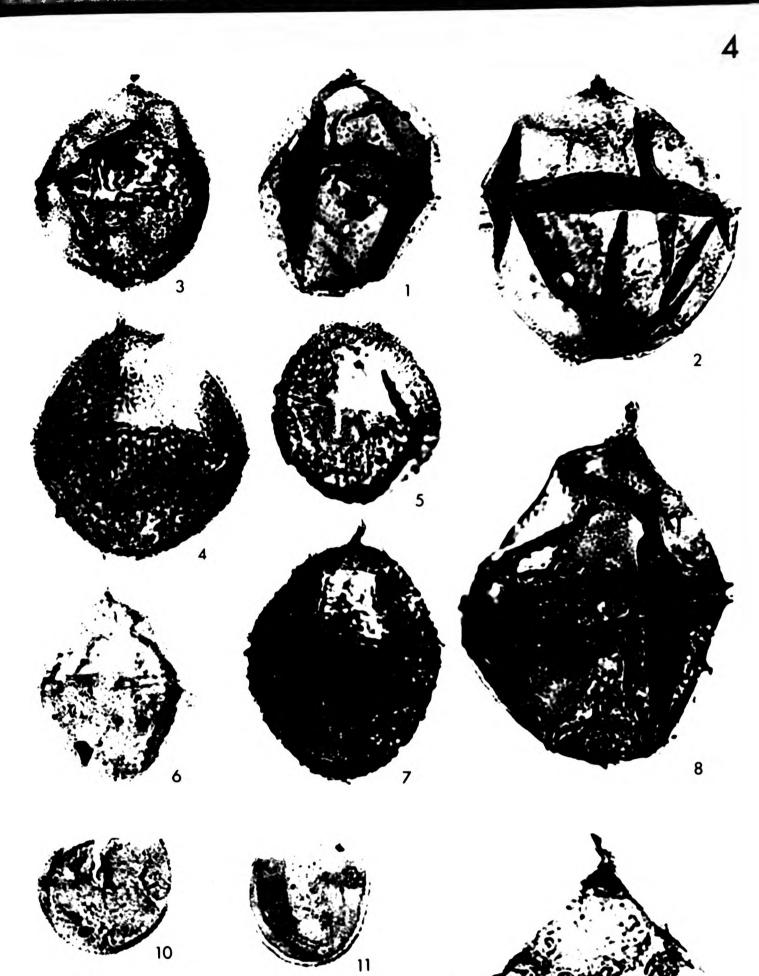
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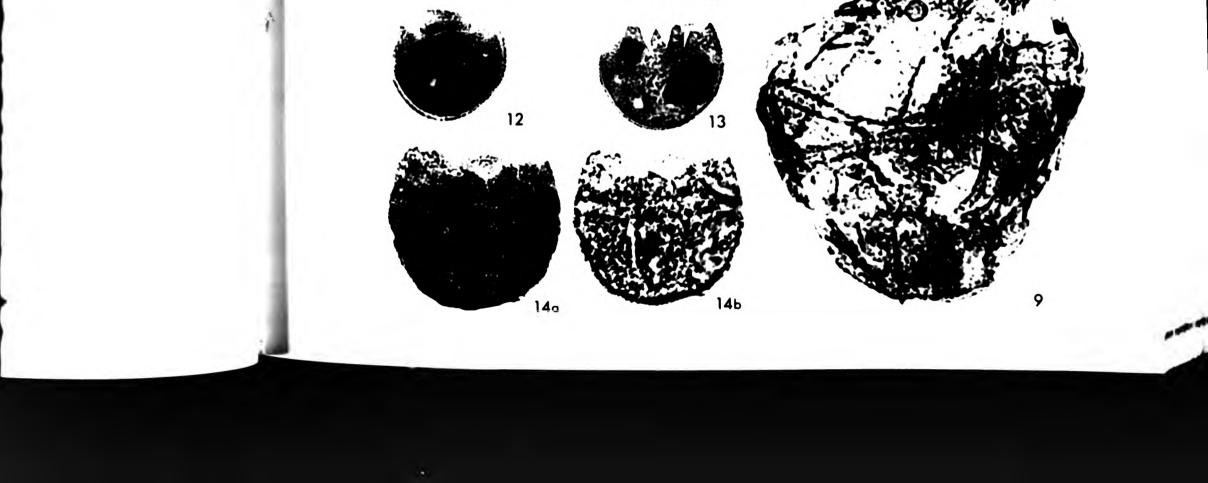
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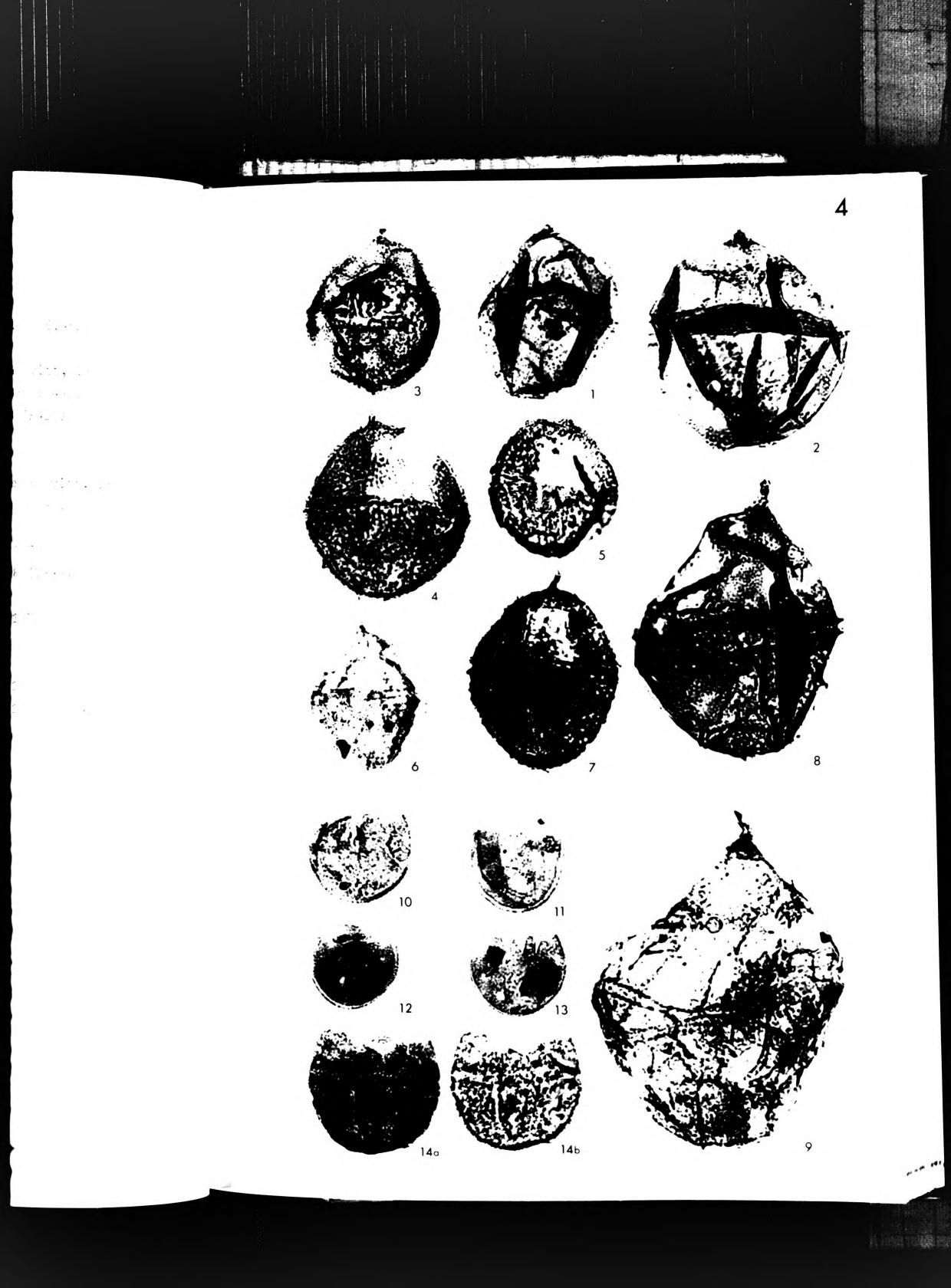
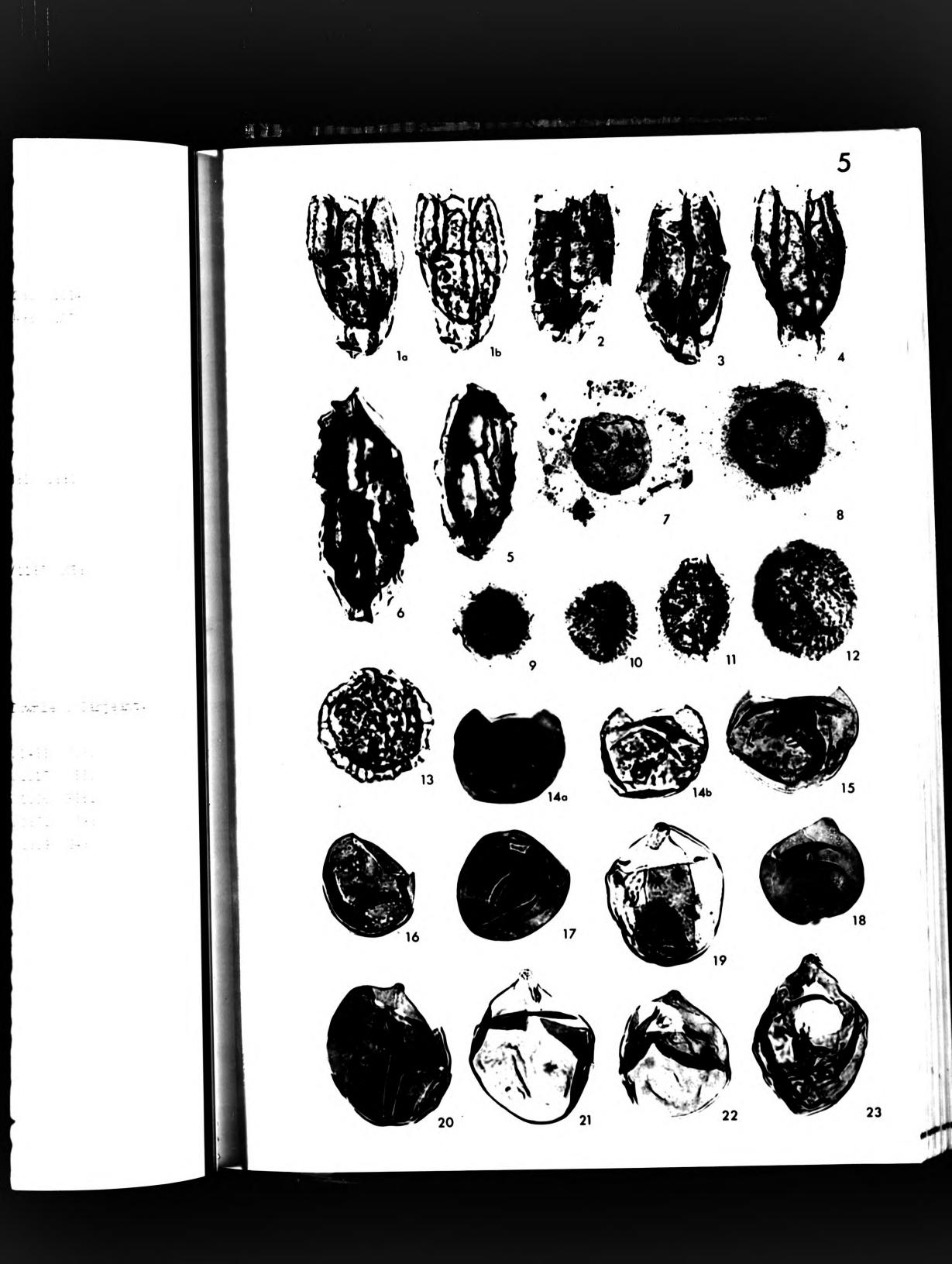


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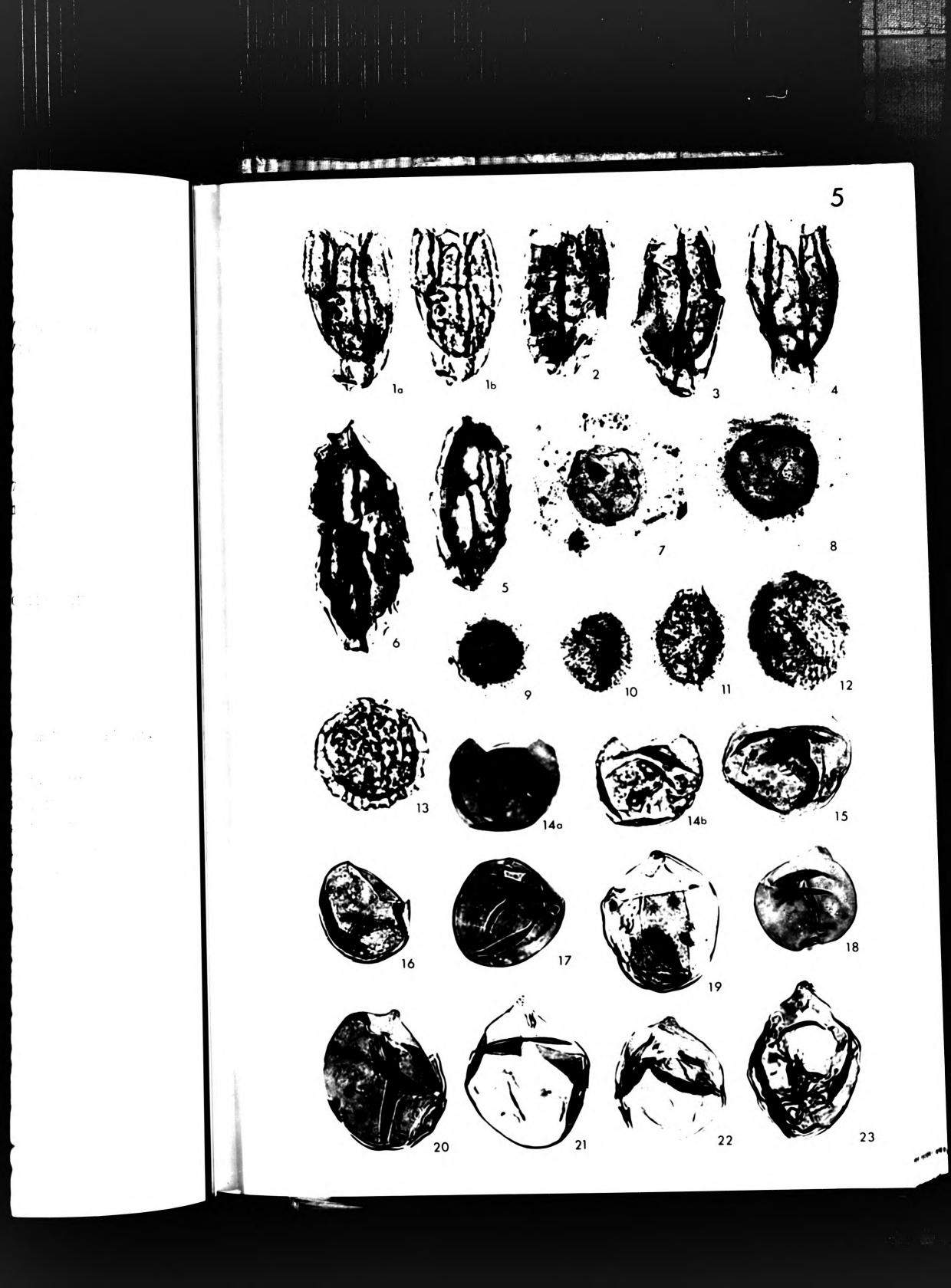


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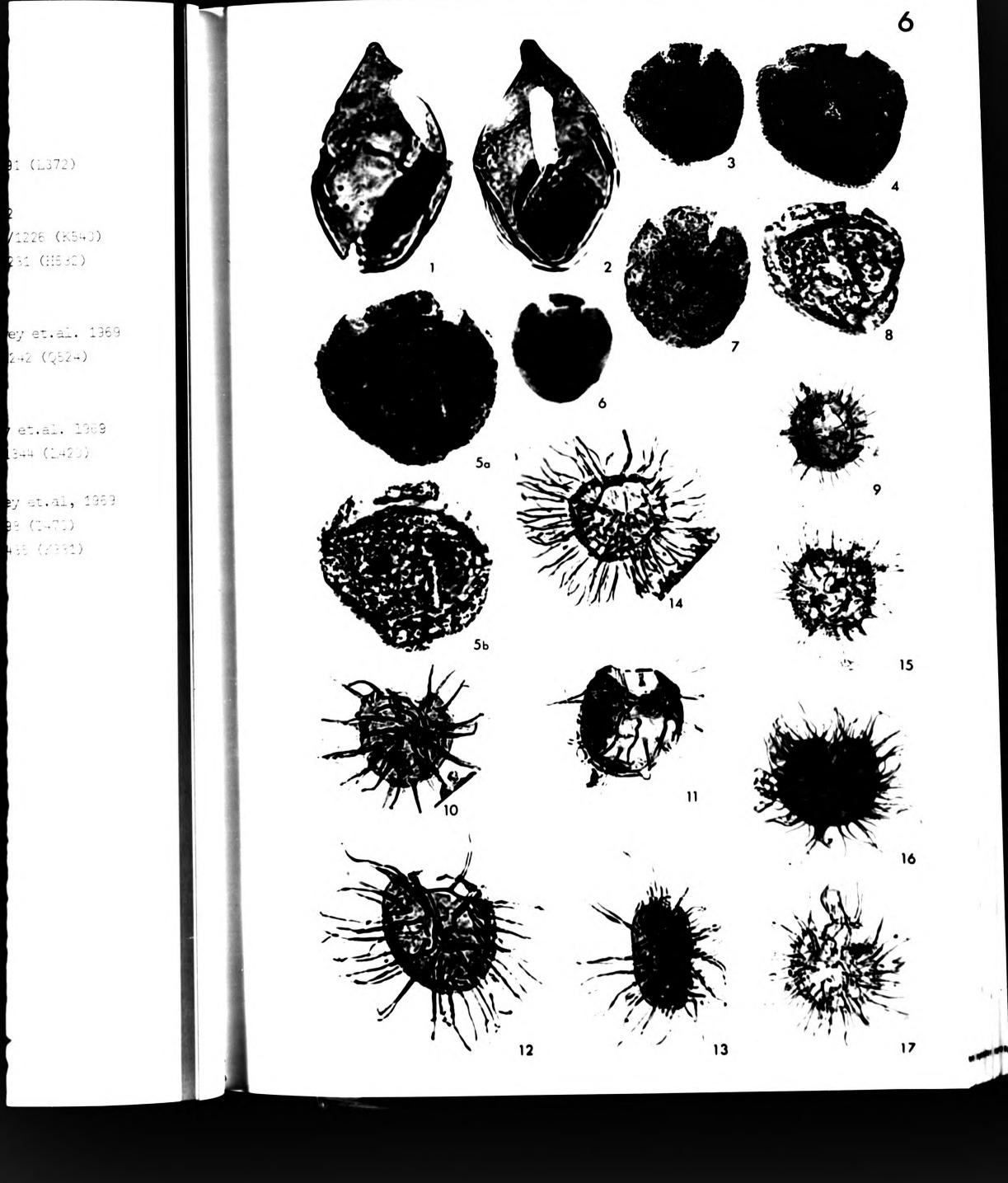
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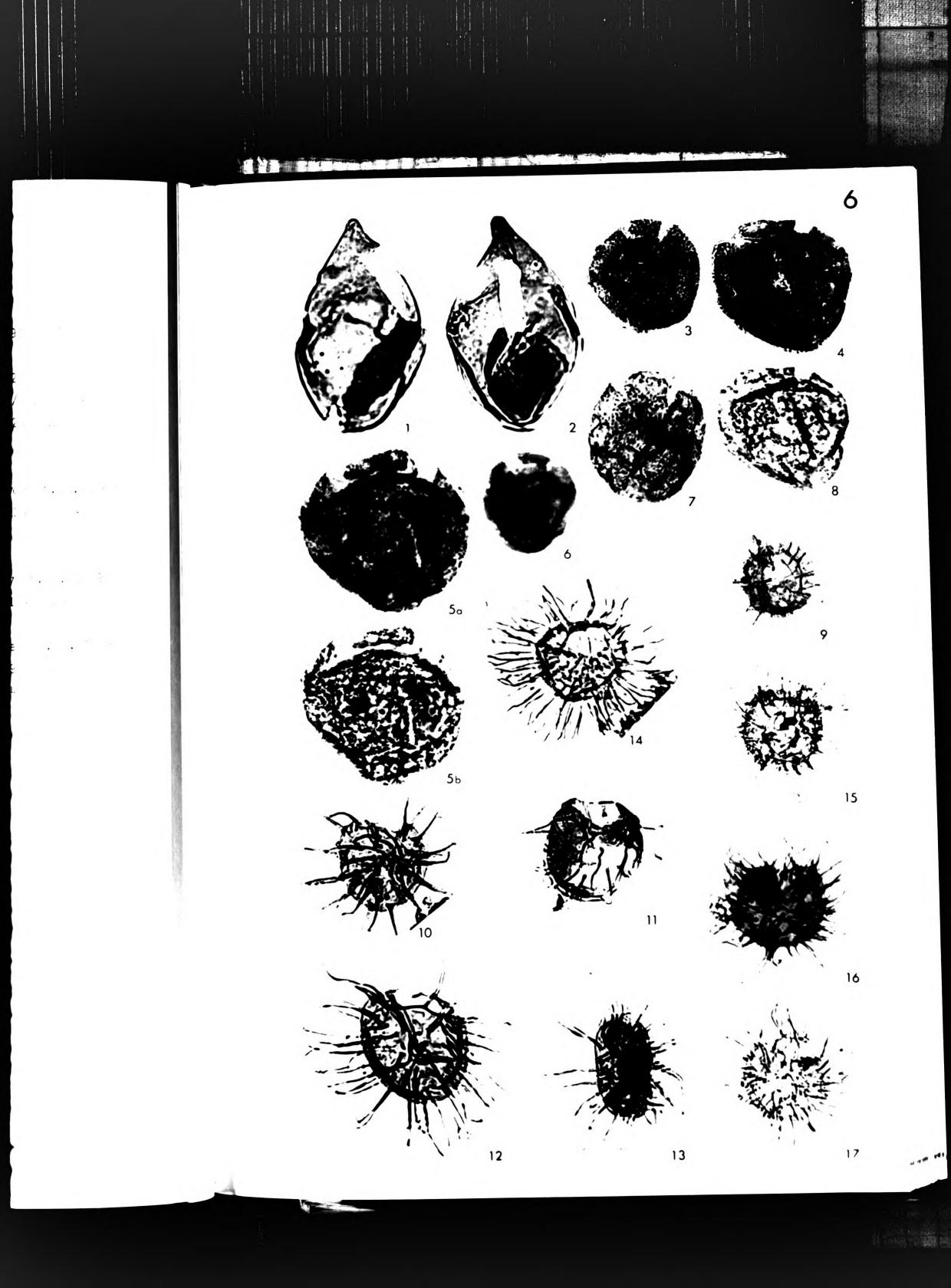


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	1974 5. Br.292a; 205/1452 (V310)* 6. Br.851a; 165/1542 (Q234) 7. WB.43a; 220/1287 (W480)
8-11	Cribroperidinium granuligerum (Klement, 1960) Stover & Evitt, 1978
	19788. WB.211a; 136/1261 (N504)9. Br.170a; 170/1243 (R524)10. Br.313a; 135/1420 (0342)11. Br.194a; 150/1430 (P330)

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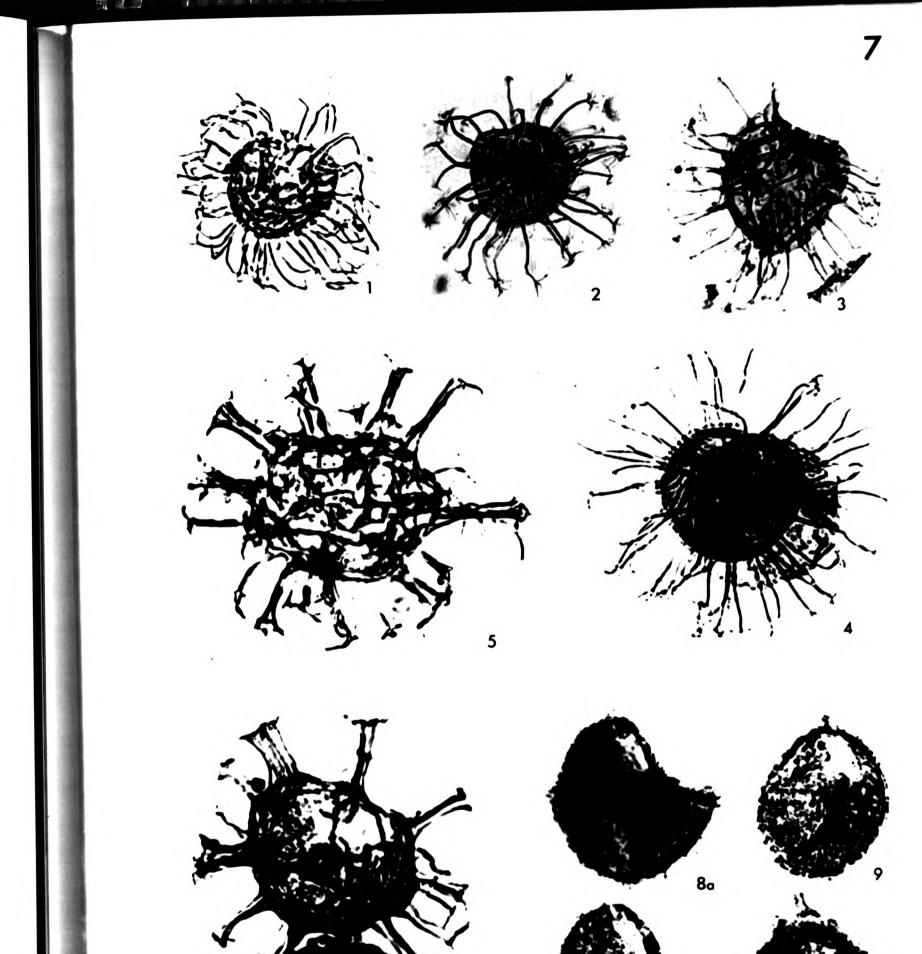
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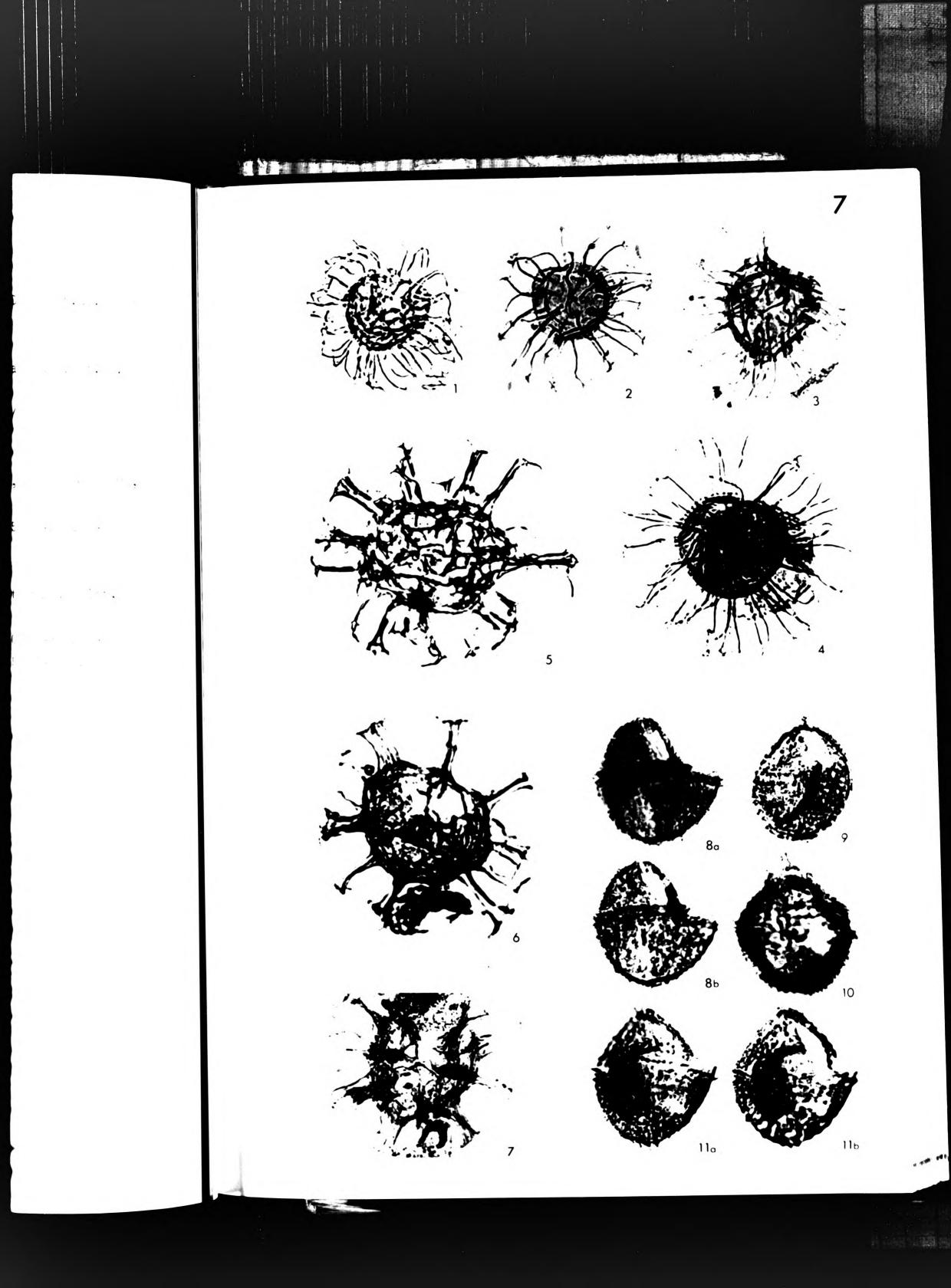


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- 1-4 <u>Ctenidodinium continuum</u> Gocht, 1970
   1. Br.1006a; 135/1240 (N524)
   2. WB.133a; 160/1362 (Q400)
   3. WB.128a; 085/1354 (H413)
   4. Br.916a; 025/1201 (B564)
   5-8 <u>Ctenidodinium ornatum</u> (Eisenack, 1935) Deflandre, 1938
  - Ctenidodinium ornatum(Eisenack, 1935) Deflandre, 19385. Br.1155a; 090/1406 (J352)\*6. Br.582a; 080/1202 (H562)7. Br.1155a; 170/1390 (R370)8. WB.88a; 175/1237 (R533)

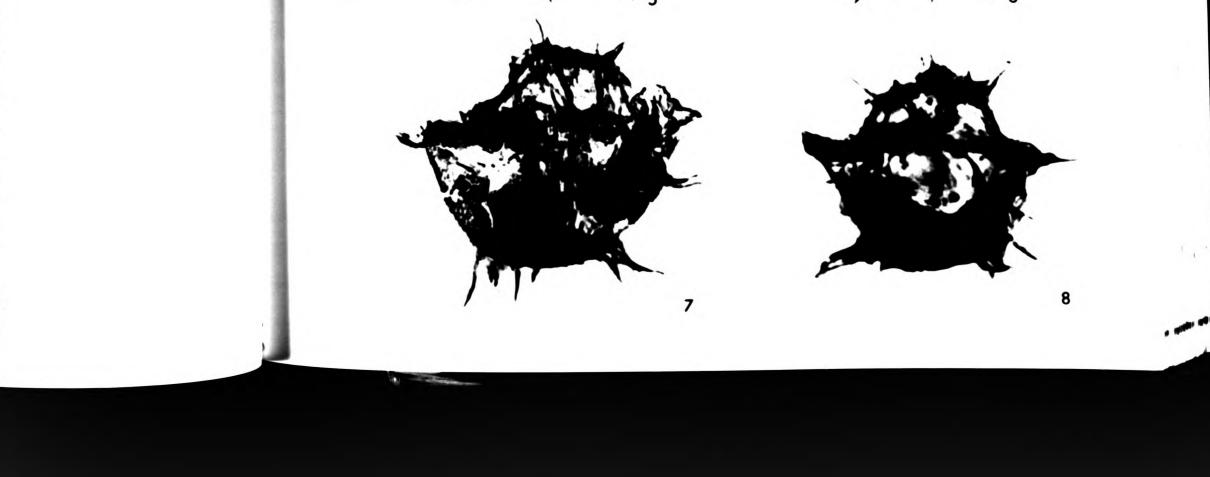
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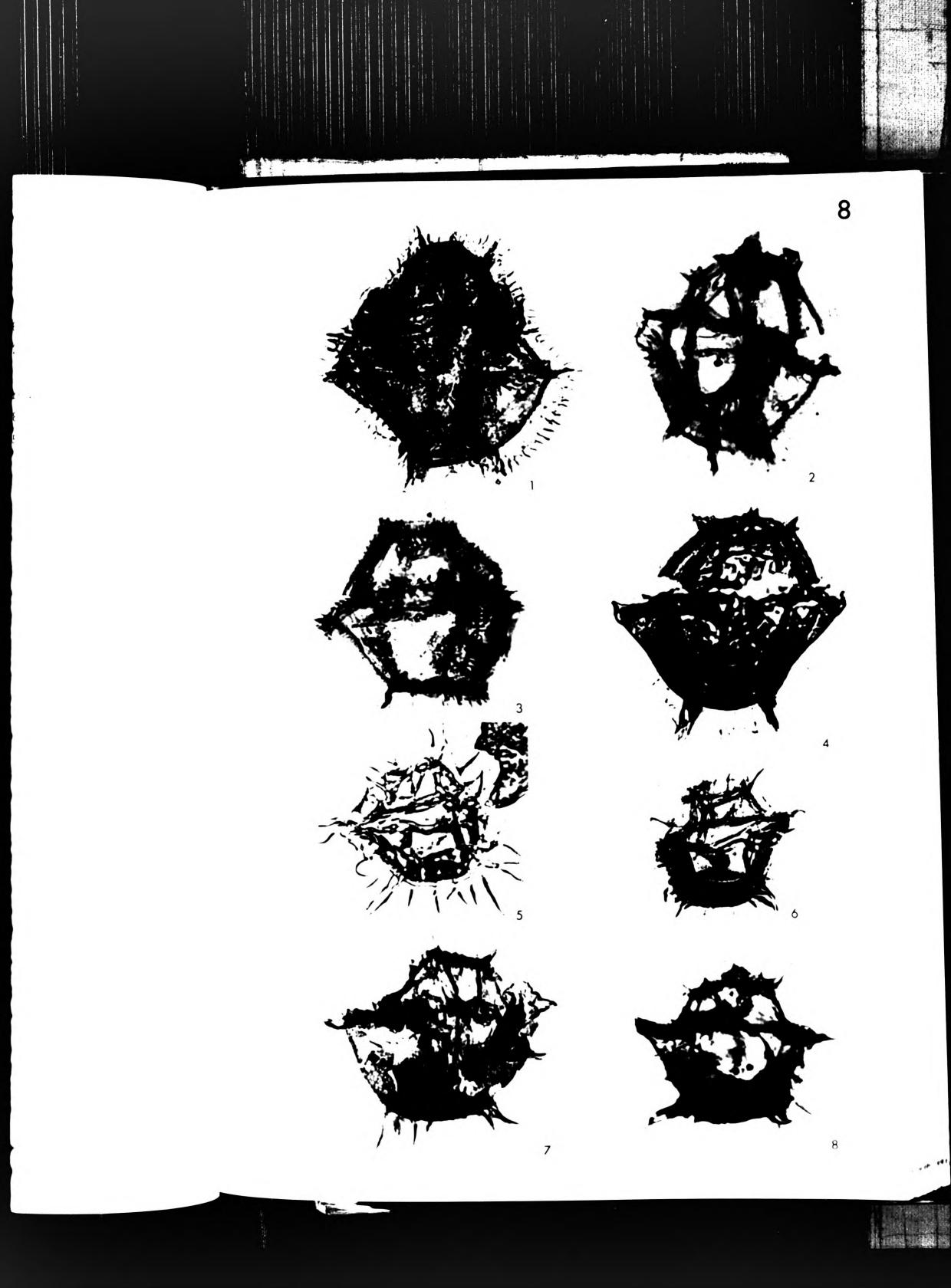


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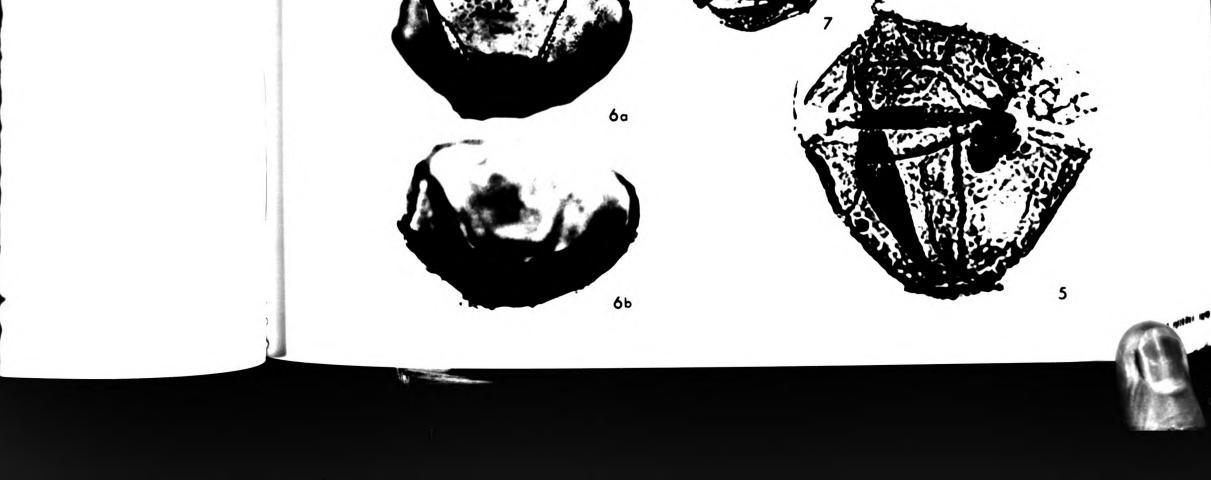
- Ctenidodinium pachydermum (Deflandre, 1938) Gocht, 1970 1-6
  - 1. Br.481a; 210/1424 (V341) 3. Br.560a; 045/1370 (D392)
  - 5. Br.560a; 045/1450 (D314)

Ctenidodinium sp.A 7. Br. 340a; 150/1472 (P290)

- - 2. Br.560a; 110/1303 (L460)
  - 4. Br.560a; 140/1351 (0410)
  - 6. WB.203(2)a; 118/1378 (M382)



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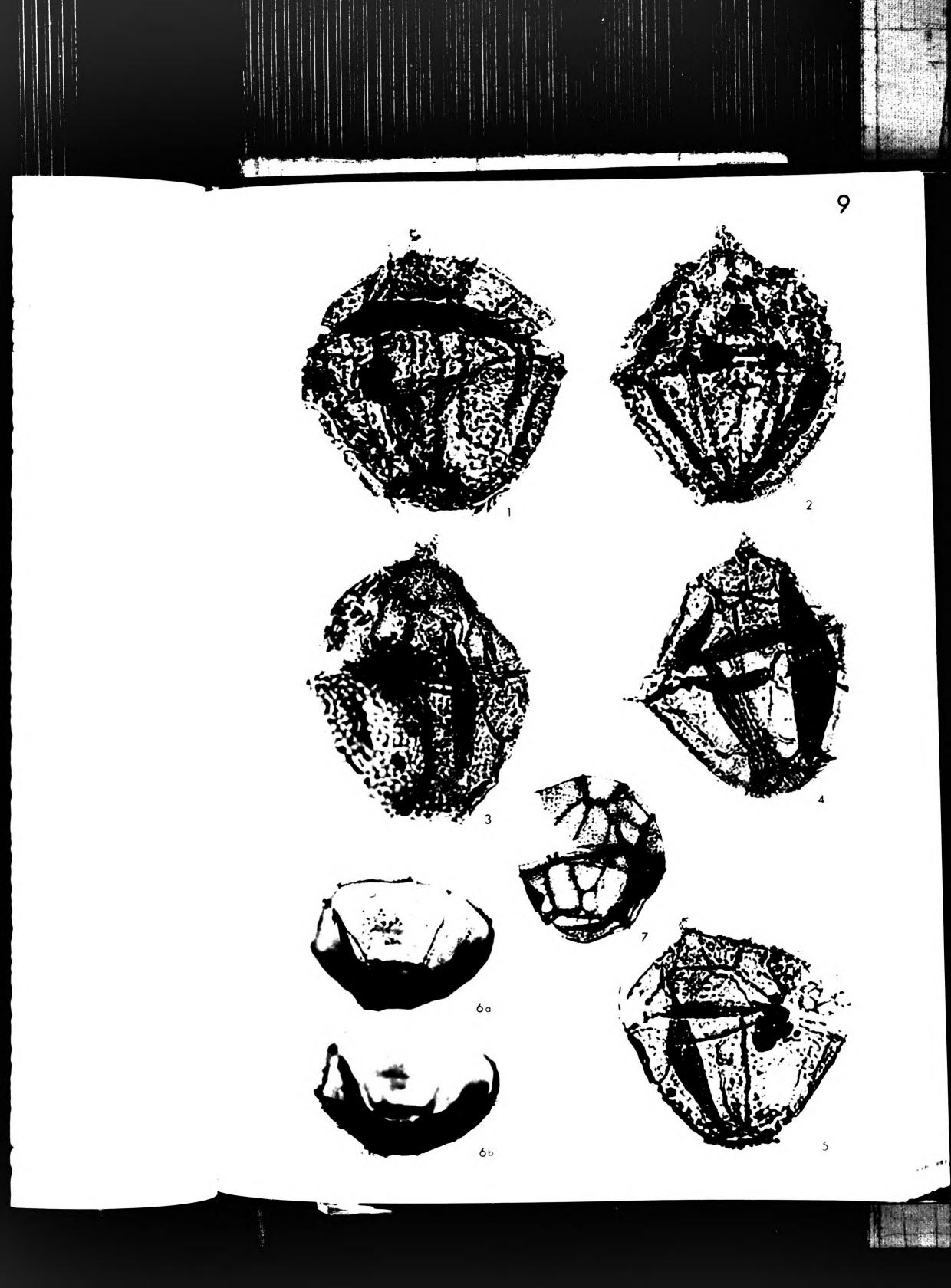


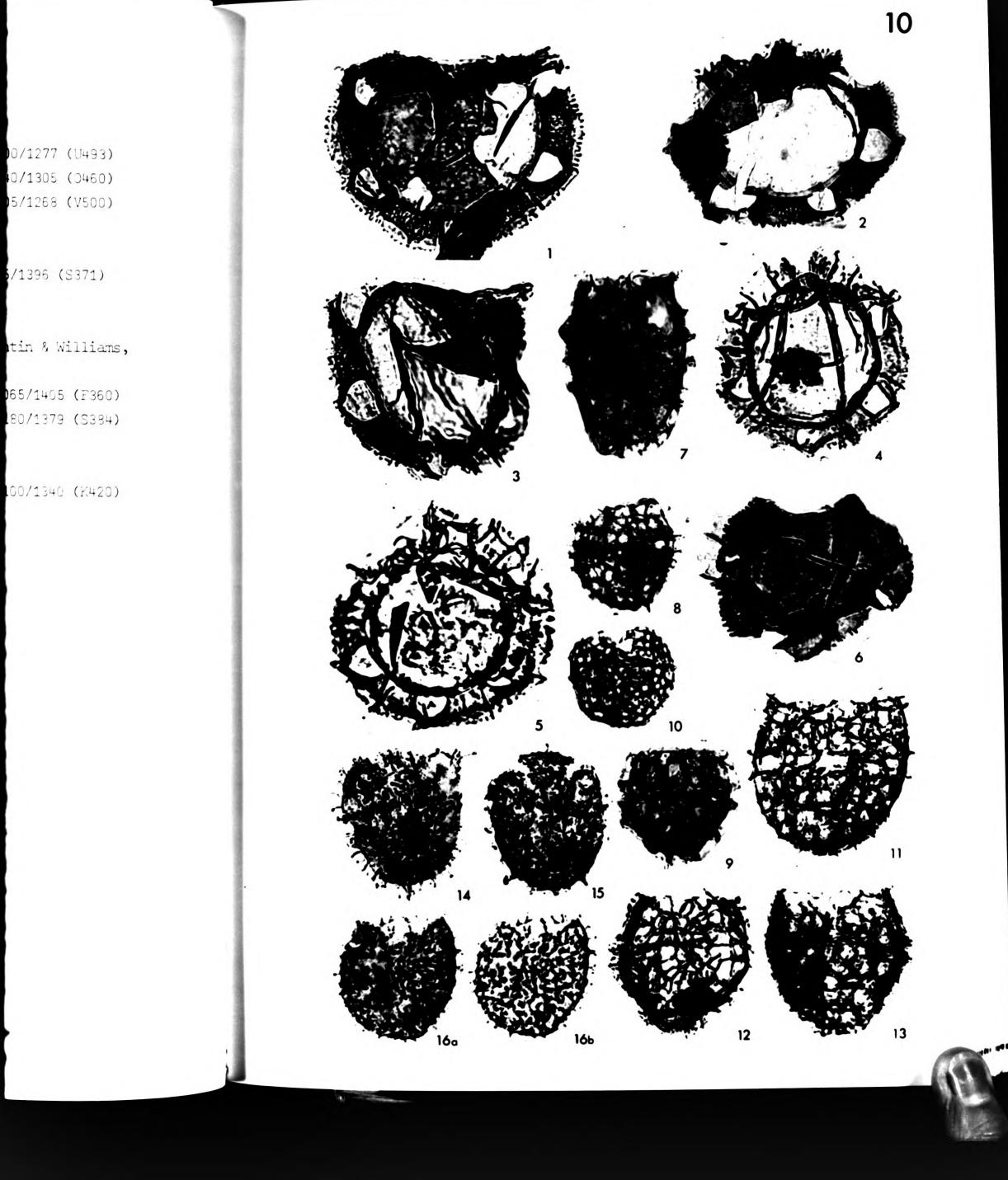
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1-6	Dinopterygium absidatum Drugg, 1	1978	
	1. Br.683a; 130/1260 (N511)	2. Br.669a; 200/1277 (U493)	
	3. Br.246a; 160/1237 (Q534)	4. Br.313a; 140/1305 (0460)	
	5. Br.683a; 070/1500 (G260)*	6. Br.669a; 205/1268 (V500)	
7-9	Ellipsoidictyum cinctum Klement	, 1960	
	7. WB.223a; 127/1431 (N331)	8. WB128a; 175/1396 (S371)	
	9. WB.118a; 089/1343 (J421)		
10-13 Ellipsoidictyum reticulatum (Valensi, 1953) Lentin & V			
	1977		
	10. Br.976a; 145/1289 (0483)	<b>11. Br.455a; 065/14</b> 05 (F360)	
	12. Br.543a; 115/1328 (L443)	13. Br.481a; 180/1379 (S384)	
14-16	Ellipsoidictyum cf.gochtii Fensome, 1979		
	14. Br.115a; 090/1216 (J550)	15. Br.115a; 100/1340 (K420)	
	16. Br.947a; 065/1322 (F440)(b*)		

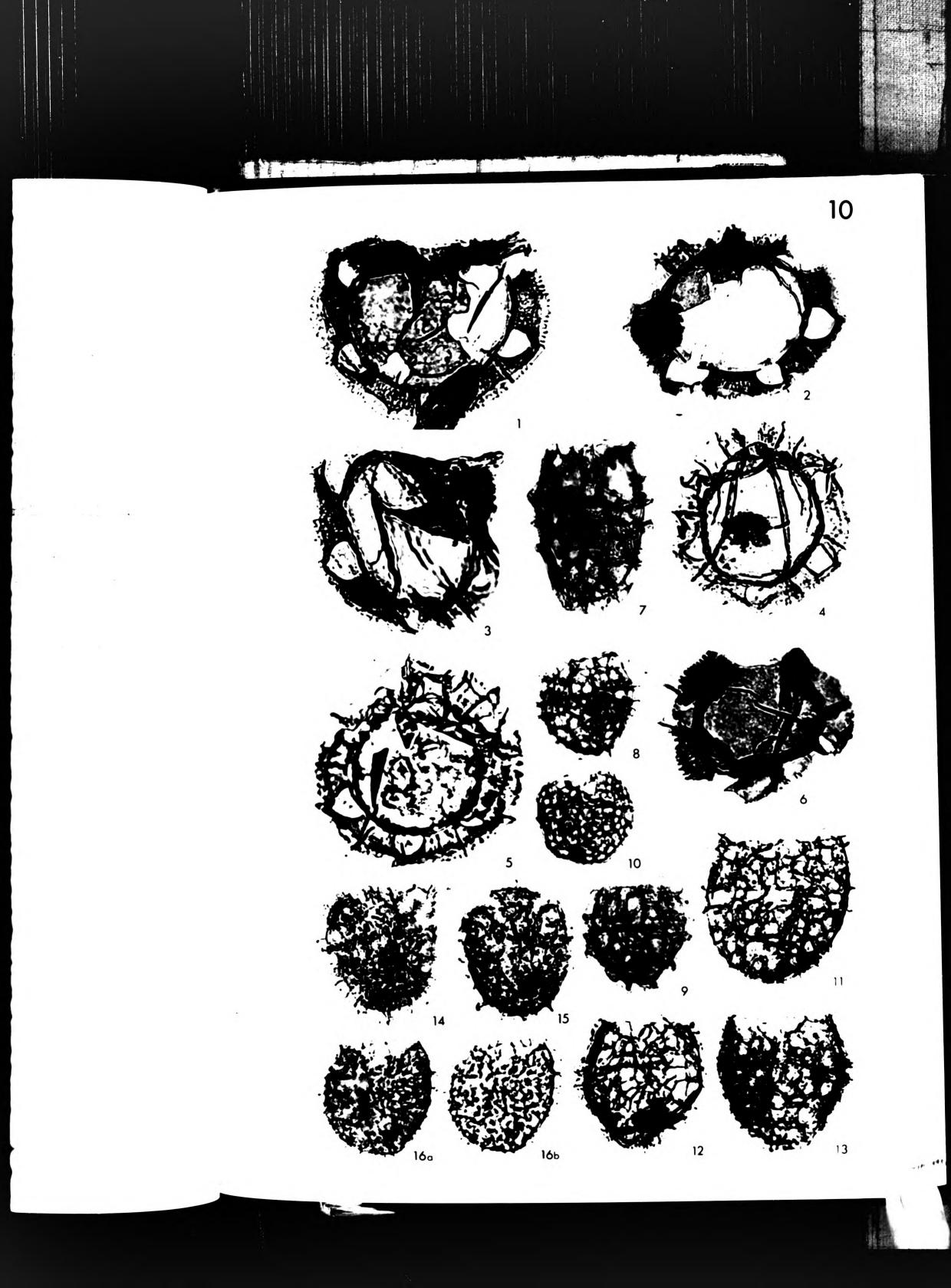


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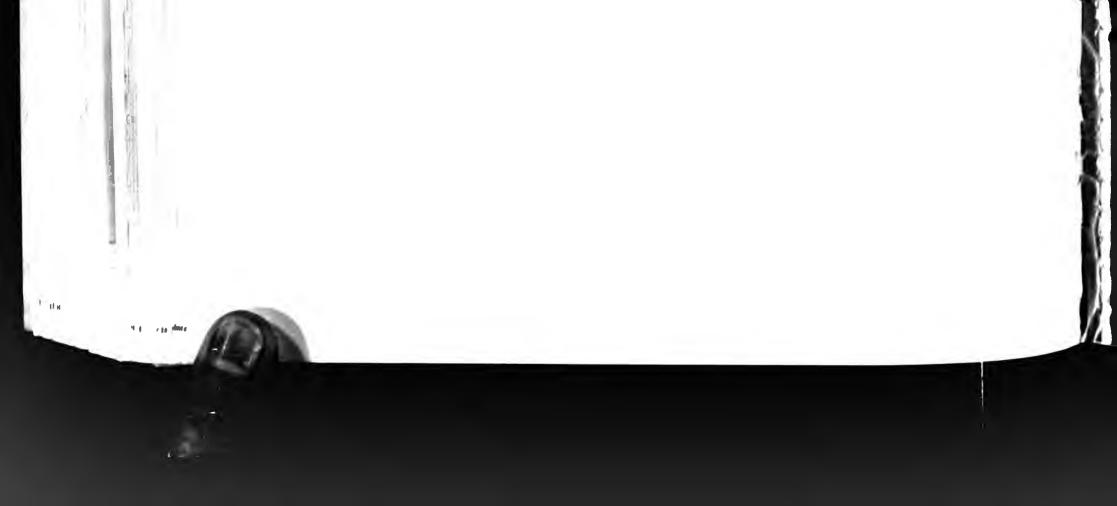
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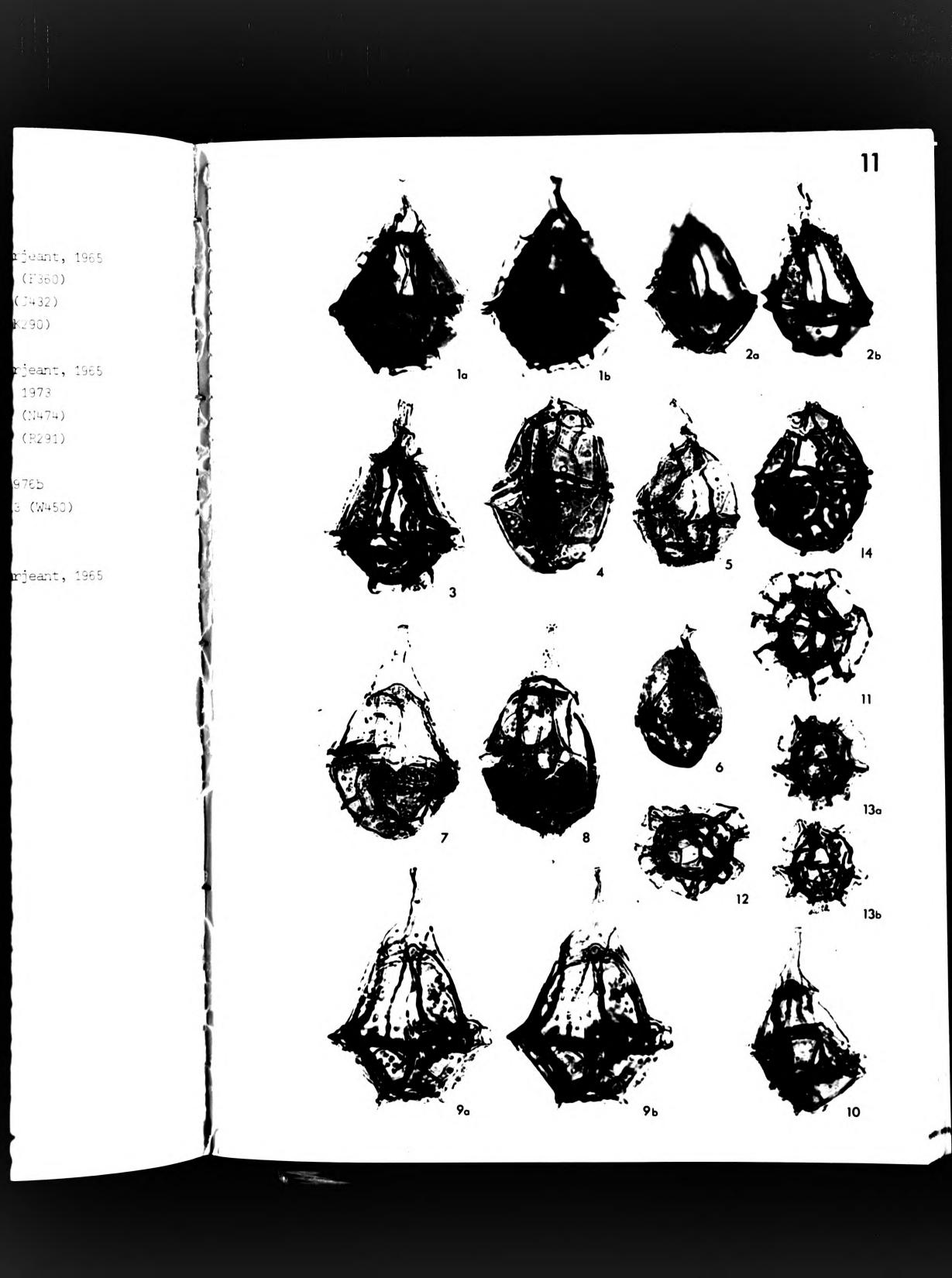
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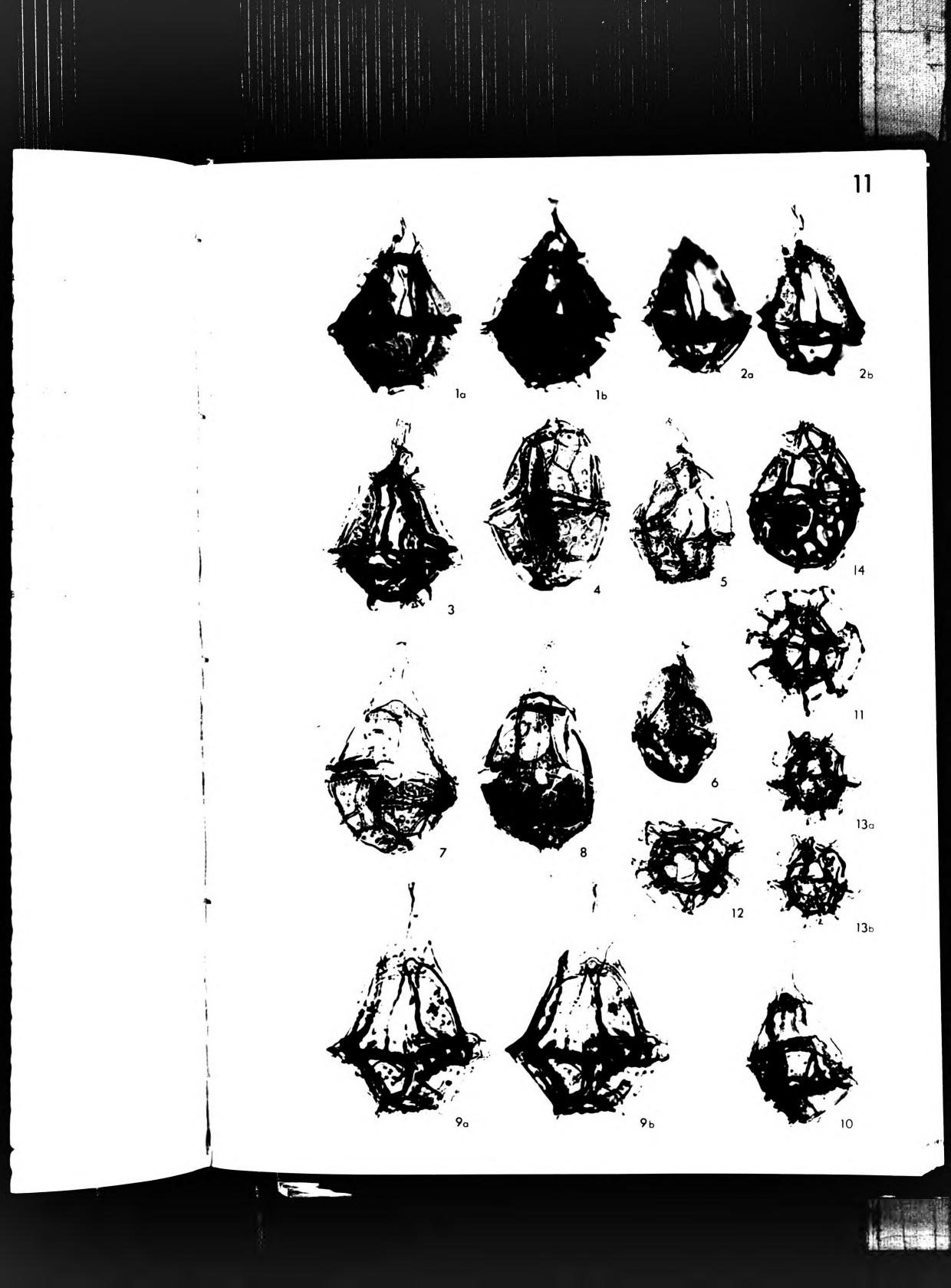
1-6	<u>Gonyaulacysta jurassica</u> (Def	landre, 1938) Norris & Sarjeant, 1965
	1. WB.88a; 158/1192 (Q583)	2. WB.123a; 062/1403 (F360)
	3. Br.963a; 215/1235 (W530)	4. WB.68a; 090/1332 (J432)
	5. WB.148a; 055/1390 (E370)	6. WB88a; 098/1468 (K290)

7-10	Gonyaulacysta jurassica (Deflan	ndre, 1938) Norris & Sarjeant, 1965
	var. longicornis (Deflandre, 19	38) Lentin & Williams, 1973
	7. Br.710a; 115/1210 (M560)	8. Br.753a; 135/1292 (N474)
	9. WB.68a; 150/1233 (P530)	10. WB.68a; 165/1472 (R291)

- 11-13 <u>Heslertonia teichophera</u> (Sarjeant, 1961a) Sarjeant, 1976b 11. Br.246a; 150/1284 (P480) 12. Br.976a; 220/1313 (W450) 13. WB.68a; 185/1376 (T391)
- 14 <u>Gonyaulacysta jurassica</u> (Deflandre, 1938) Norris & Sarjeant, 1965 14. Br.246a; 160/1346 (Q420)





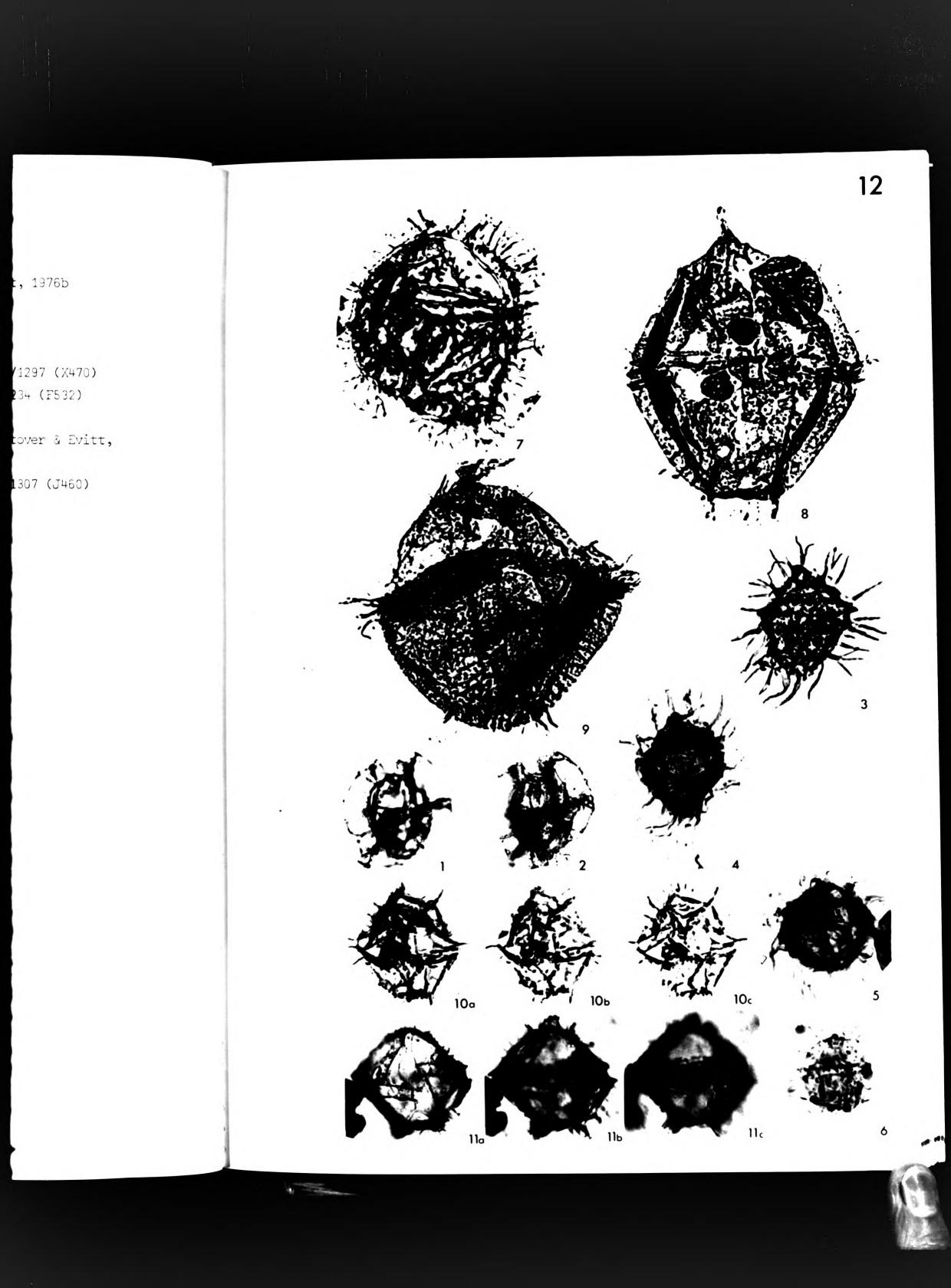


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- 1,2 <u>Heslertonia teichophera</u> (Sarjeant, 1961a) Sarjeant, 1976b 1,2. WB128a; 177/1347 (S412)
- 3-6 Hystrichodinium pulchrum Deflandre, 1935
  - Br.884a; 210/1439 (V320)
     WB.128a; 180/1412 (S353)
- 4. Br.1399a; 225/1297 (X470)
- 6. WB.53a; 060/1234 (F532)
- 7-9 <u>Hystrichogonyaulax cladophora</u> (Deflandre, 1938) Stover & Evitt,
   1978
   7. Br.710a; 120/1339 (M433)
   8. Br.710a; 090/1307 (J460)
  - 9. Br.916a; 140/1388 (0374)
- 10,11 Hystrichogonyaulax warboysensis sp.nov.
  - 10. Br.1307a; 185/1389 (T370)(b,c\*)
  - 11. WB.128a; 057/1351 (E414) Holotype





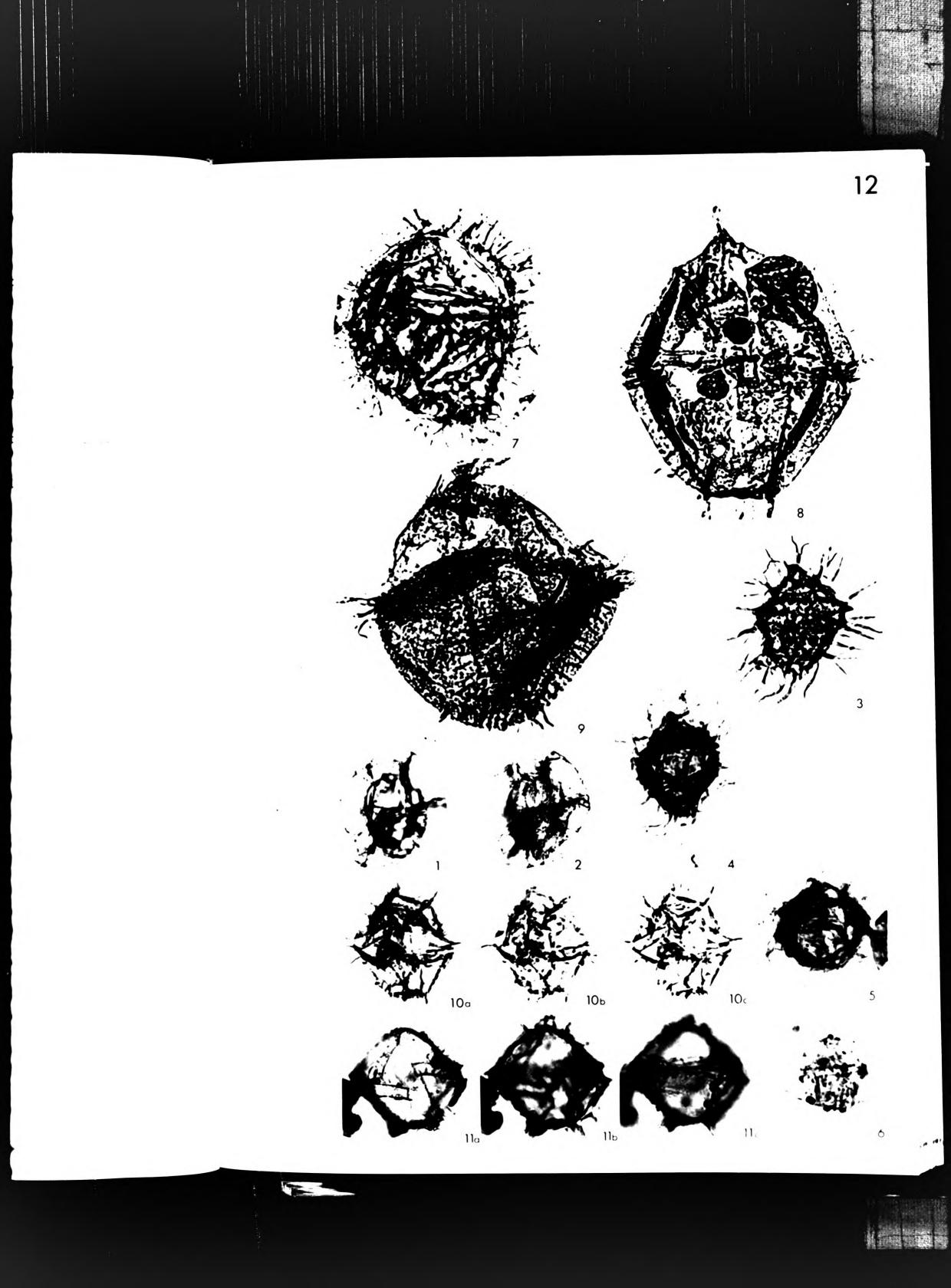


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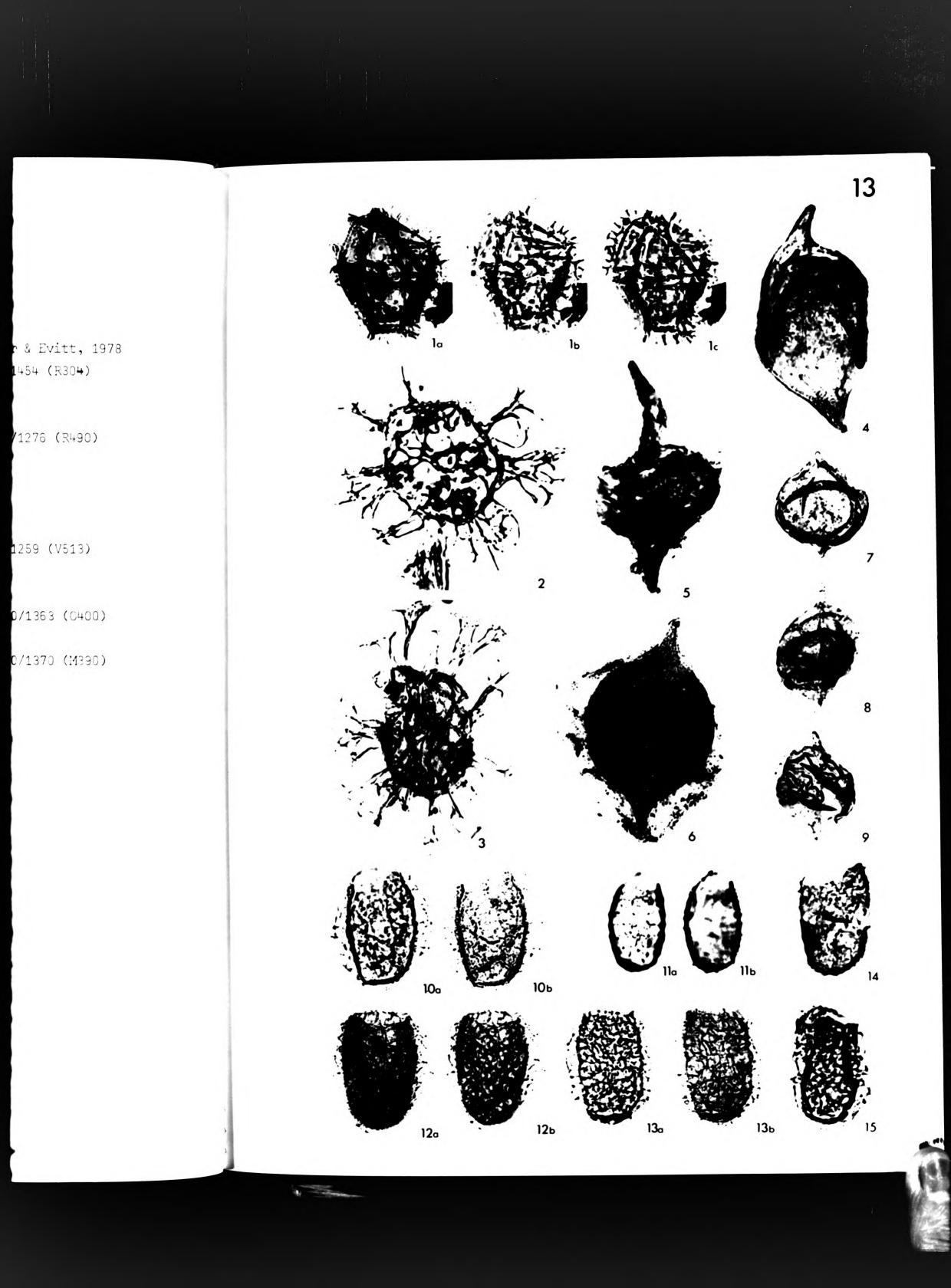
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- Hystrichogonyaulax warboysensis sp.nov.
   Br. 1330a; 130/1323 (N440)(b,c\*)
- 2,3 <u>Hystrichosphaerina orbifera</u> (Klement, 1960) Stover & Evitt, 1978
   2. Br.170a; 190/1287 (T480)\*
   3. Br.214a; 175/1454 (R304)
- 4-6 <u>Kalyptea stegasta</u> (Sarjeant, 1961a) Wiggins, 1975
  4. Br.1880a; 155/1263 (Q502) 5. Br.1354a; 170/1276 (R490)
  6. Br.465a; 045/1257 (D410)
- 7-9 <u>Kalyptea globulus</u> sp.nov.
  7. Br.727a; 095/1296 (J473) Holotype
  8. Br.785a; 175/1263 (S500)
  9. Br.727a; 210/1259 (V513)

#### 10-15 Kylindrocysta reticulata sp.nov.

- 10. Br.963a; 025/1269 (B503)(a\*) 11. Br.1833a; 140/1363 (0400)
- 12. Br.976a; 200/1465 (U294)(a\*) Holotype
- 13. Br.627a; 020/1460 (B300)(a\*) 14. Br.1833a; 120/1370 (M390) 15. Br.851a; 215/1359 (W402)





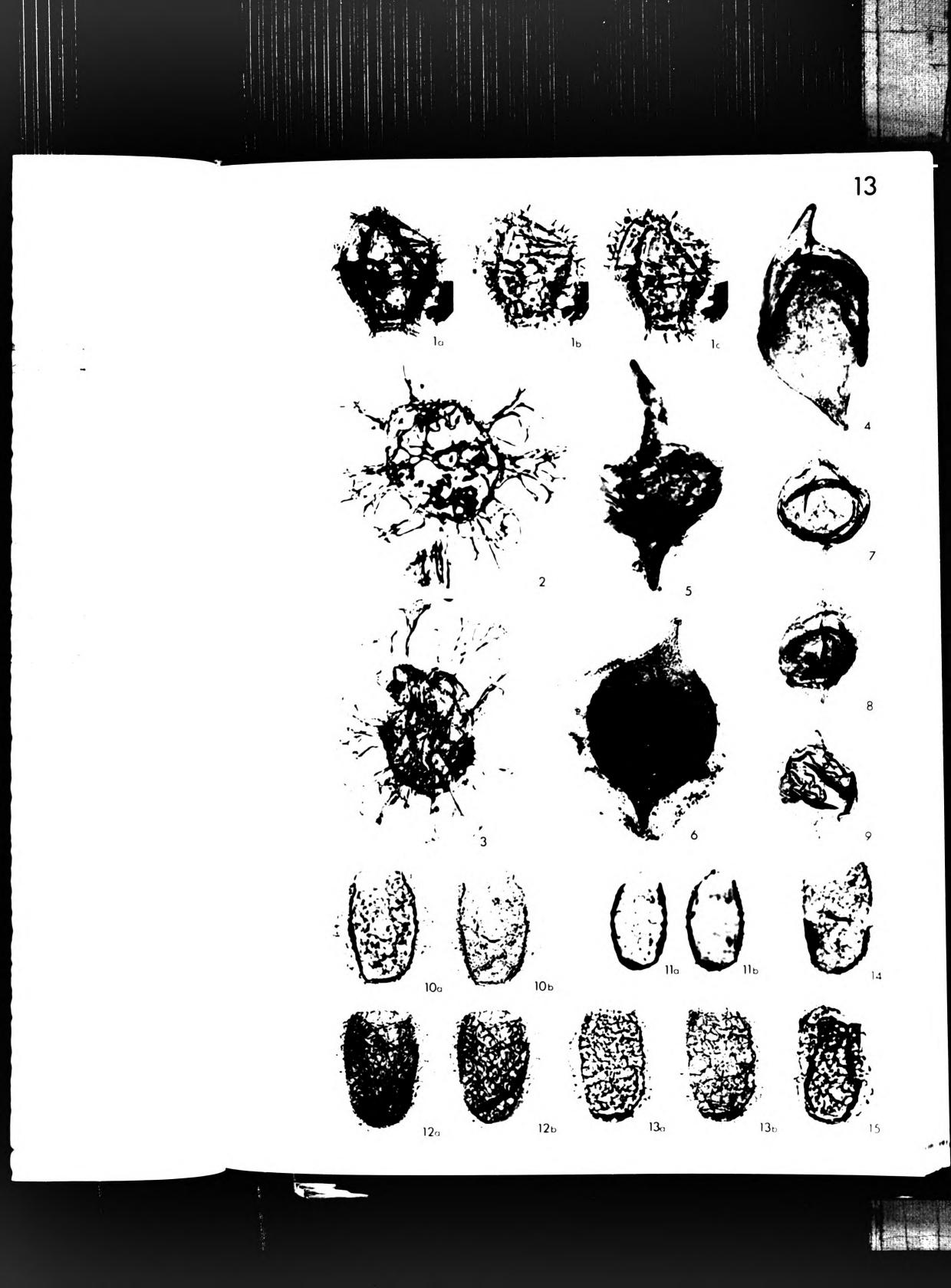


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1-3 Leptodinium gongylos (Sarjeant, 1966a) Stover & Evitt, 1978
1. Br.429a; 155/1472 (P280)
2. WB.58a; 145/1272 (P492)
3. Br.395a; 120/1400 (M360)

4 Leptodinium miriabile Klement, 1960
4. Br.246a; 080/1392 (H370)(b,c\*)

- 5,6 ?Leptodinium sp. 5. Br.194a; 095/1400 (J364) 6. Br.465a; 165/1300 (Q473)
- 7-10 Lithodinia jurassica Eisenack, 1935 emend. Gocht, 1975
  7. WB.224a; 044/1323 (D440)
  8. WB.224a; 194/1460 (T303)
  9. WB.218a; 108/1278 (L491)
  10. Br.1813a; 075/1213 (H552)
- 11-15 <u>Lithodinia pocockii</u> (Sarjeant, 1968) Davey, 1979 11. Br.976a; 200/1456 (U300) 12. Br.1486a; 155/1240 (Q531)(b\*) 13. Br.1723a; 075/1430 (F330) 14. Br.1220a; 115/1419 (L344) 15. Br.1354a; 220/1350 (W410)(b\*)

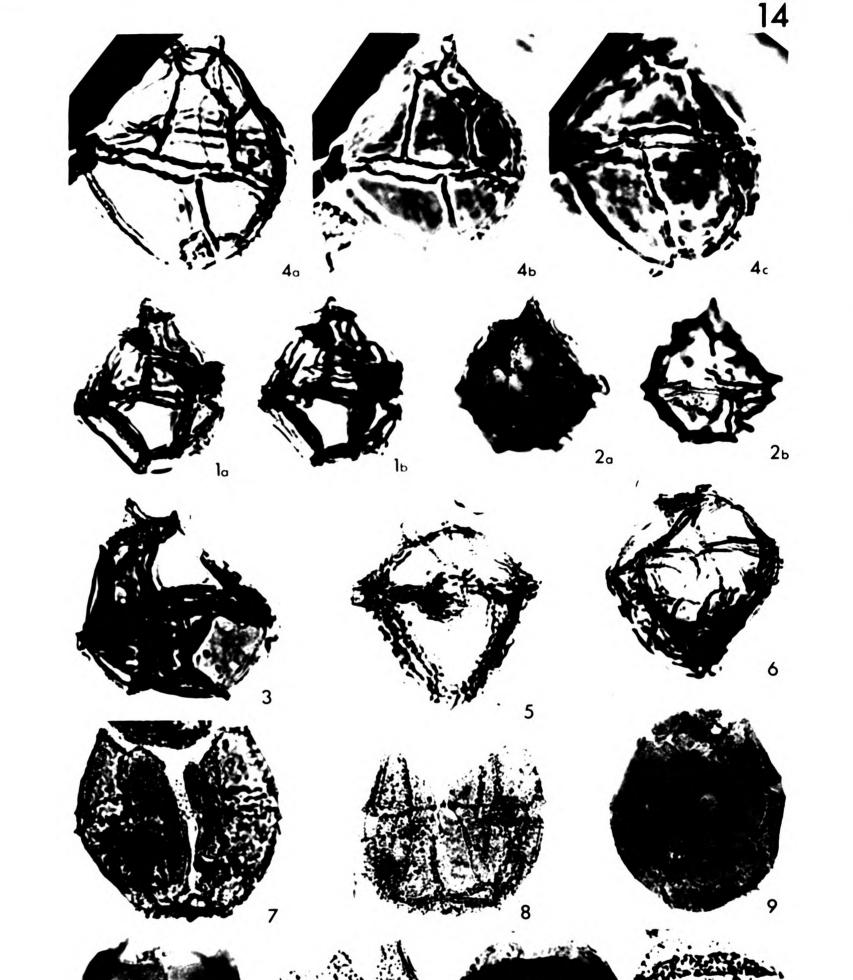


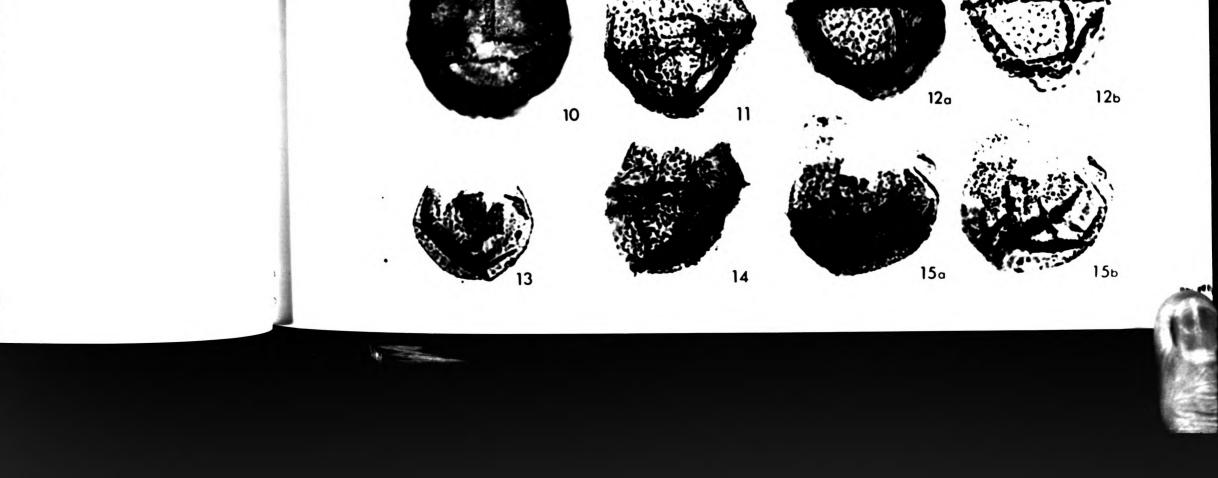
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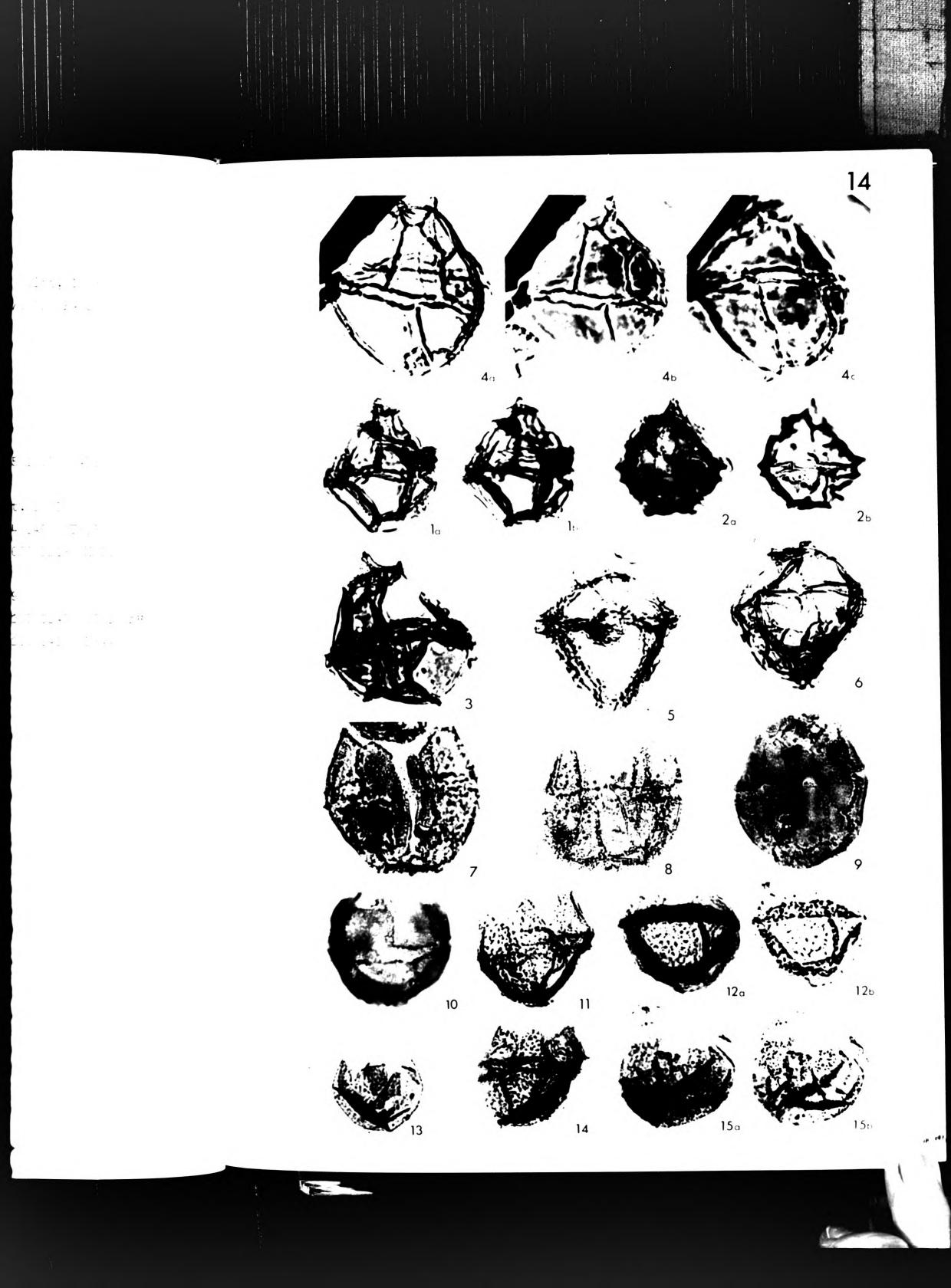
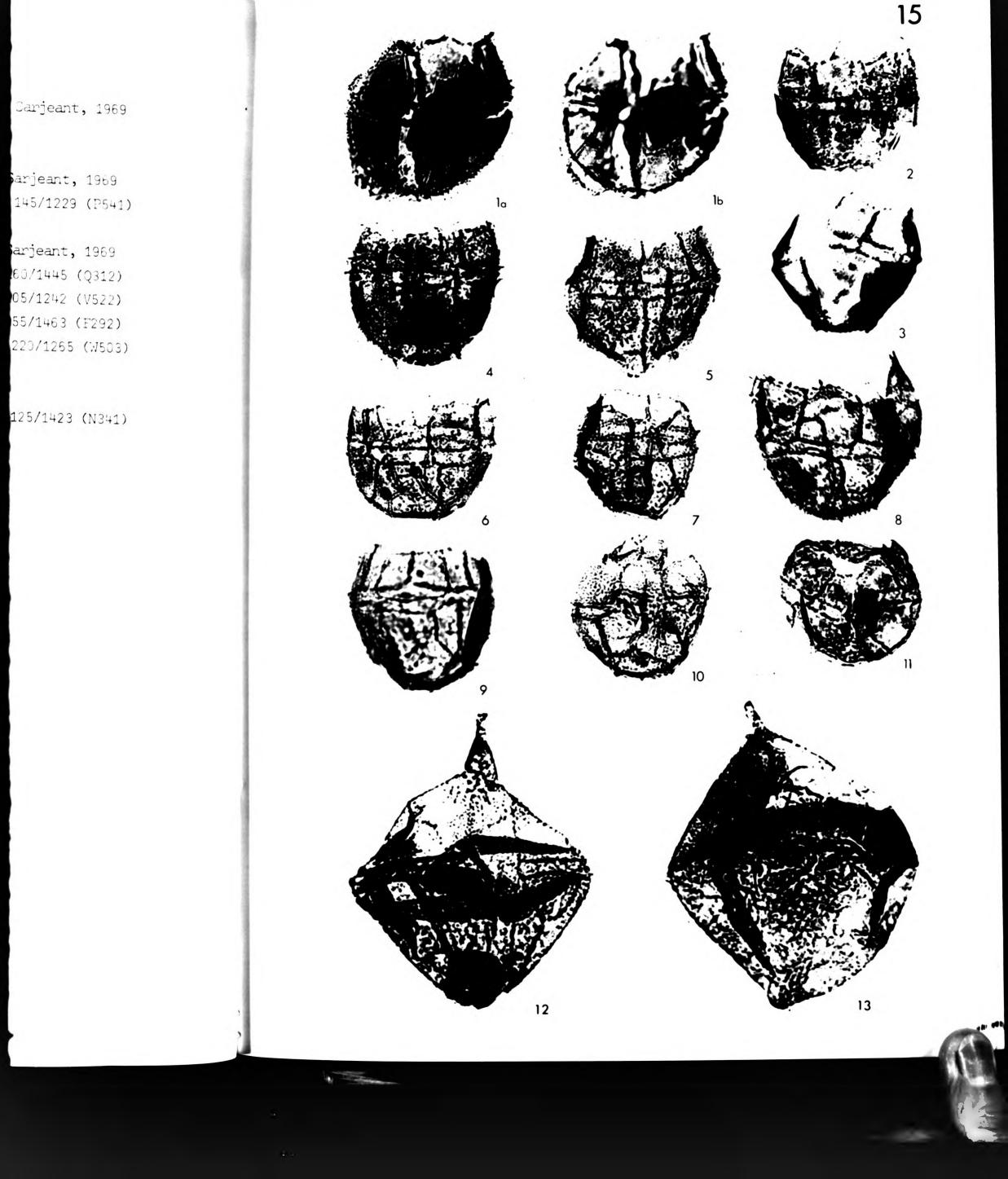


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- Meiourogonyaulax caytonensis (Sarjeant, 1959) Sarjeant, 1969
  1. WB.224a; 033/1190 (C580)
- 2,3 <u>Meiourogonyaulax cristulata</u> (Sarjeant, 1959) Sarjeant, 1969
   2. WB.224a; 045/1356 (D410)
   3. Br.1833a; 145/1229 (P541)
- 4-11 <u>Meiourogonyaulax decapitata</u> (W.Wetzel, 1966) Sarjeant, 1969
  4. Br.653a; 115/1355 (M411)
  5. Br.554a; 160/1445 (Q312)
  6. Br.963a; 100/1463 (K292)
  7. Br.742a; 205/1242 (V522)
  8. Br.985a; 195/1475 (U282)
  9. Br.395a; 055/1463 (F292)
  10. Br.560a; 160/1229 (Q540)
  11. Br.985a; 220/1265 (W503)
- 12,13 <u>Millioudodinium sp.</u> 12. Br.465a; 085/1465 (H303) 13. Br.727a; 125/1423 (N341)



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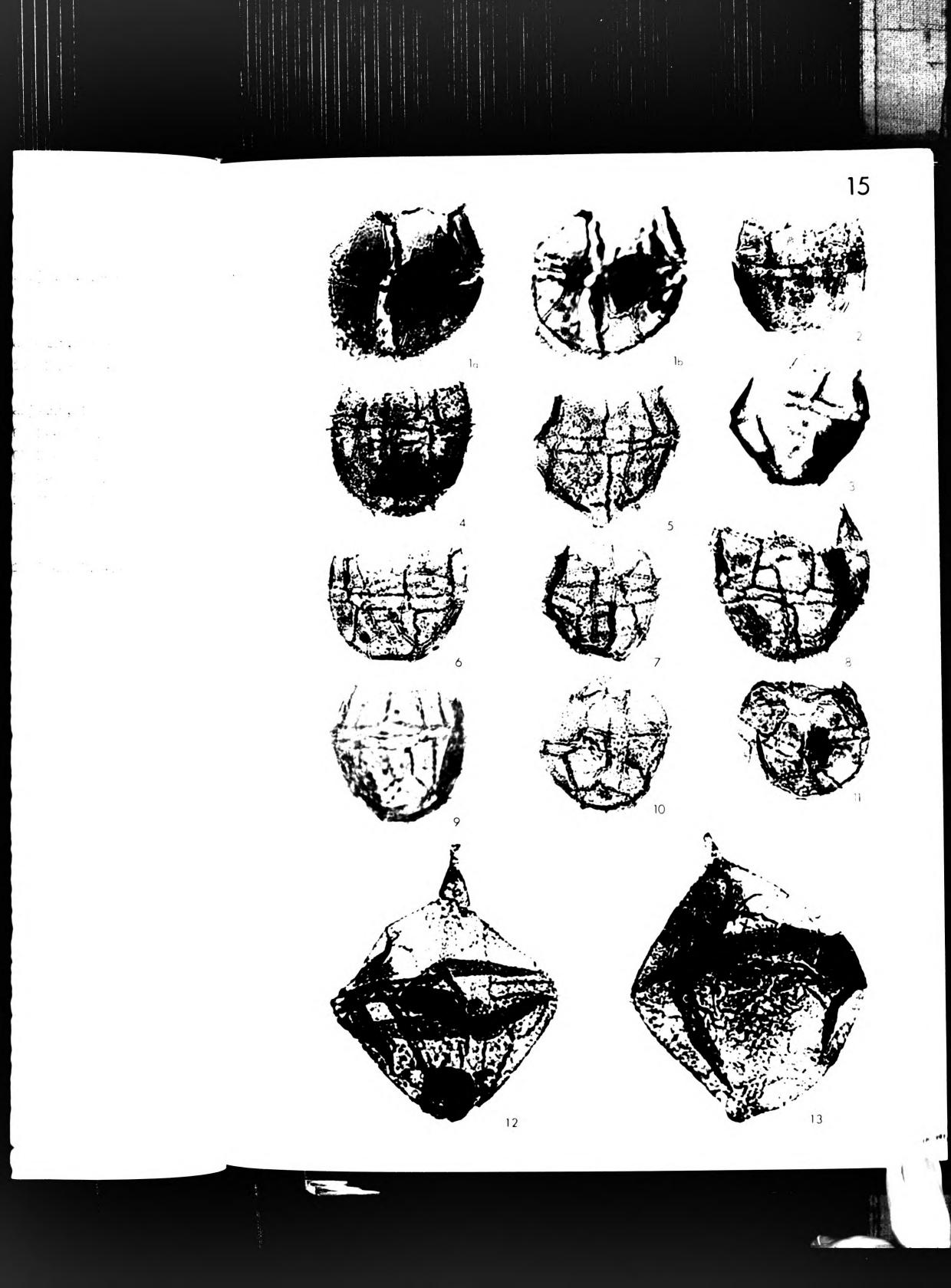


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- 1-3 Palaeostomocystis tornatilis Drugg, 1978

   WB.28a;147/1342 (P420)
   WB.48a; 028/1331 (B434)
   WB.83a; 090/1240 (J531)
- 4,5 Paragonyaulacysta calloviensis Johnson & Hills, 1973 4,5. Br.395a; 170/1269 (R503)(5\*)
- 6-10 Pareodinia alaskensis Wiggins, 1975
  6. Br.582a; 120/1230 (M543)
  7. Br.653a; 090/1382 (J380)
  8. Br.582a; 180/1220 (S553)
  9. Br.194a; 080/1406 (H361)
  10. Br.620a; 075/1277 (G490)
- 11,12Pareodinia cf. apotomocerastesSarjeant, 197211. WB.188a; 175/1388 (S372)12. WB.209a; 058/1313 (P450)
- 13-15 <u>Pareodinia ceratophora</u> Deflandre, 1947b emend. Gocht, 1970 13. WB.88a; 220/1363 (W403) 14. WB.58a; 040/1396 (D371) 15. Br.1047a; 170/1249 (R514)

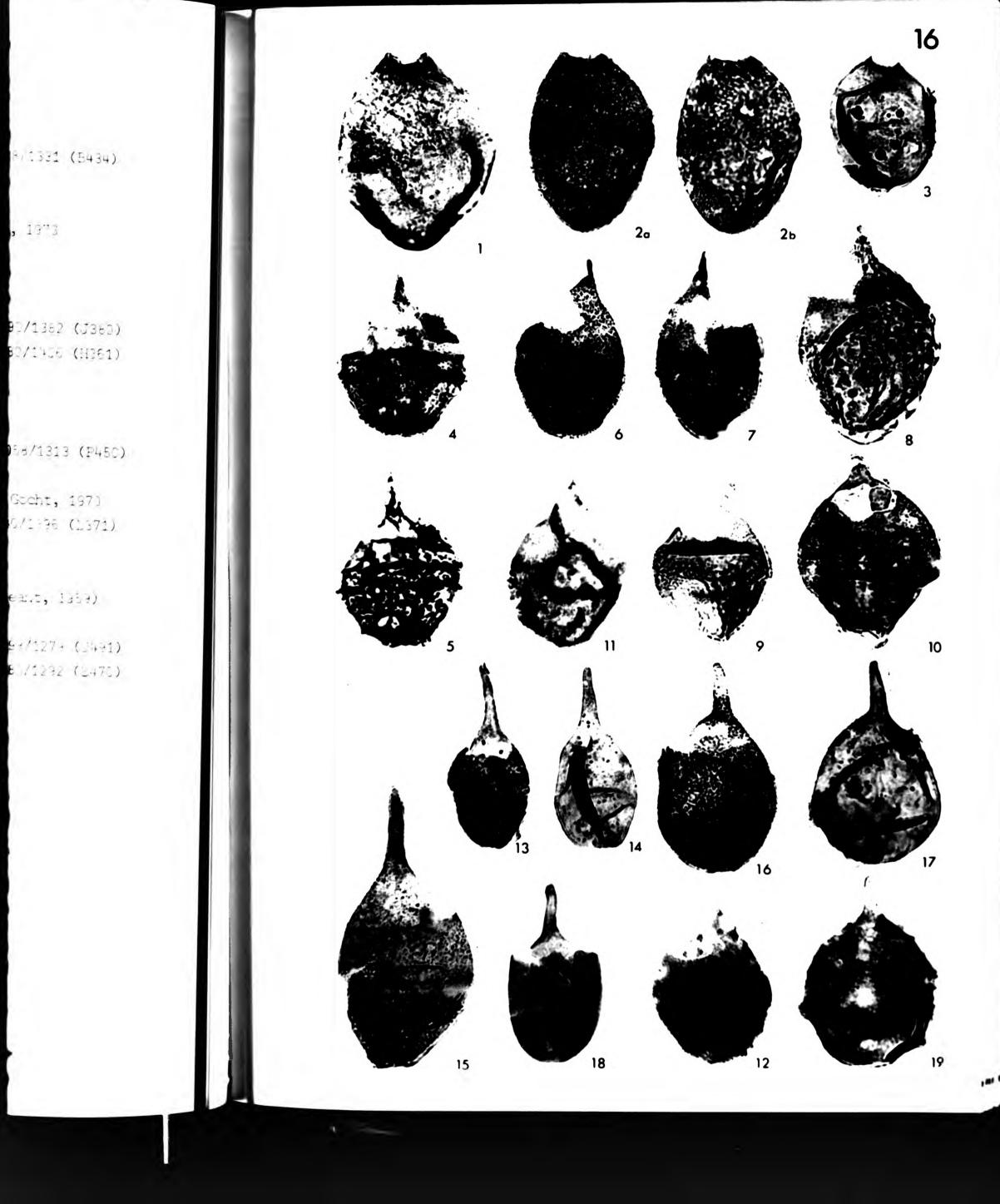
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 Lentin & Williams, 1973
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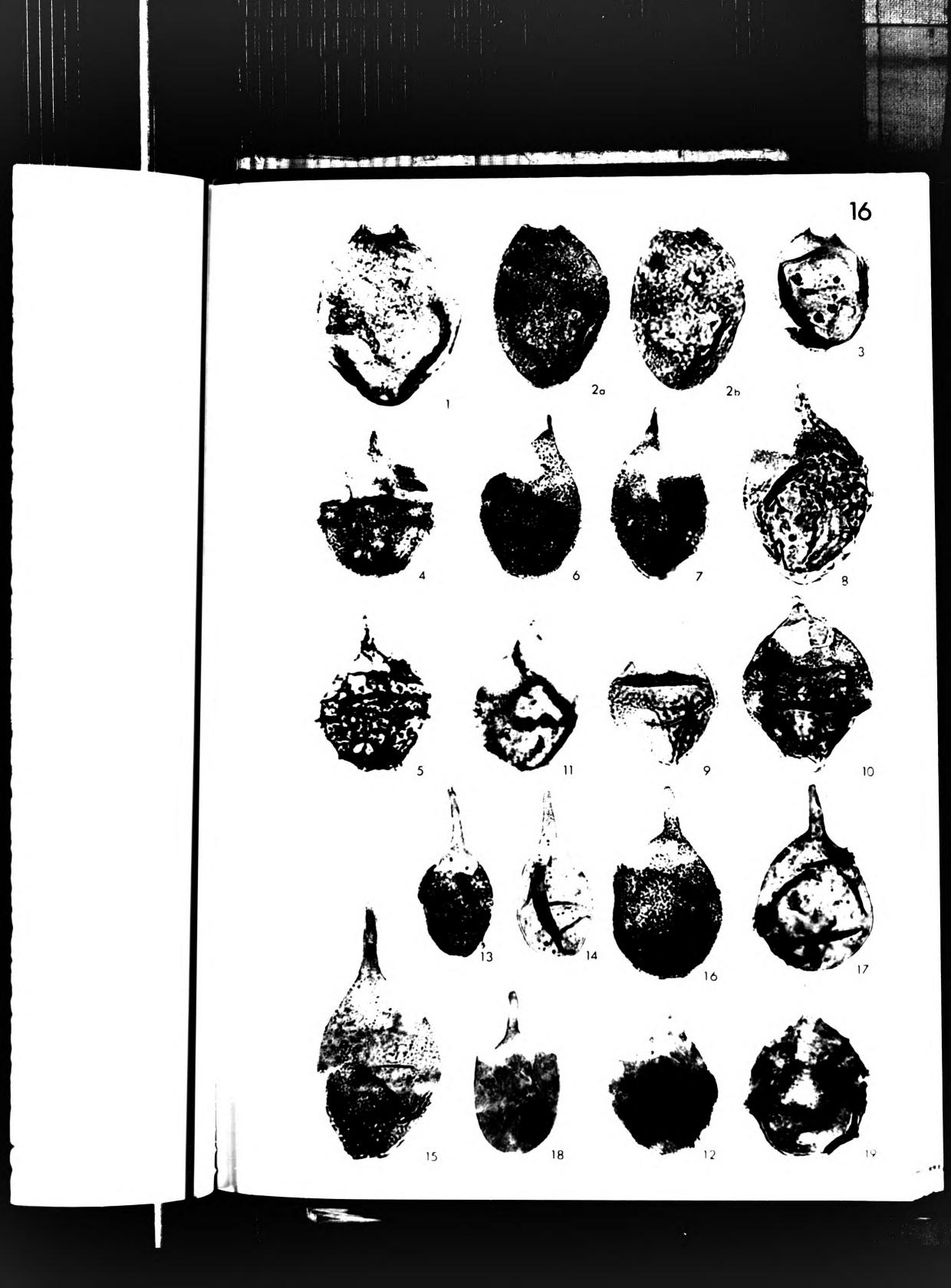
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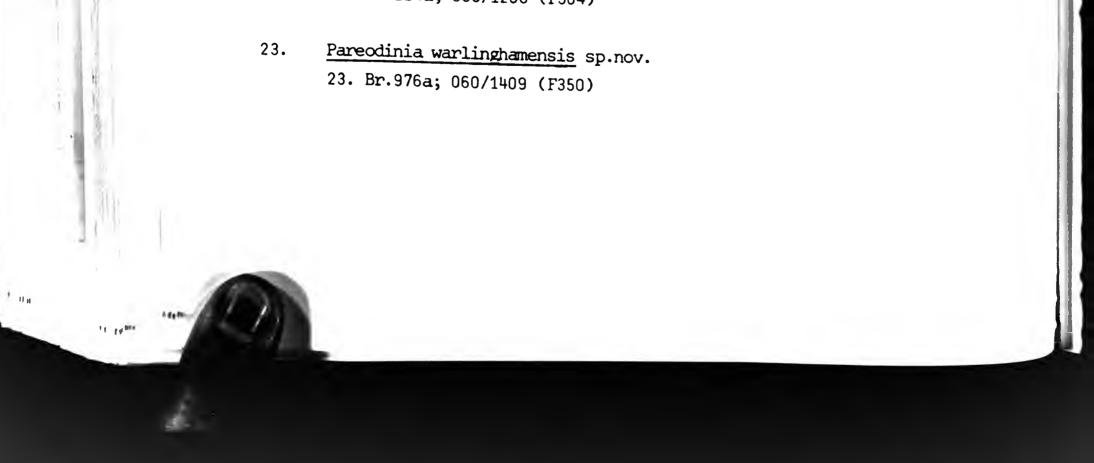
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1-5	Pareodinia ceratophora sub.sp. <u>scopeus</u> (Sarjeant, 1959) Lentin & Williams, 1973
	1. Br.140a; 130/1288 (N483) 2. WB.128a; 210/1342 (V420)
	3. WB.188a; 081/1326 (H440)       4. WB.133a; 195/1245 (U520)
	5. WB.123a; 087/1472 (J282)
6-8	Pareodinia prolongata Sarjeant, 1959
	6. Br.1552a; 195/1300 (U462)(b*) 7. WB.228a; 130/1230 (N534)
	8. Br.1880a; $037/1274$ (C494)
9-14	Pareodinia warlinghamensis sp. nov.
	9. Br.481a; 150/1359 (P402) 10. Br.916a; 055/1407 (E363)
	11. Br.455a; 140/1435 (0330) 12. Br.1235a; 055/1298 (E473)
	13. Br.963a; 095/1372 (K391)
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10-10	Pareodinia wigginsi sp. nov.
	15. Br.727a; 190/1363 (T400) Holotype
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19	Pareodinia sp.B
	19. Br.560a; 205/1452 (V311)
20,21	Pluriarvalium osmingtonense Sarjeant, 1962b
	20. Br.963a; 060/1432 (F331) 21. Br.543a; 055/1233 (E534)

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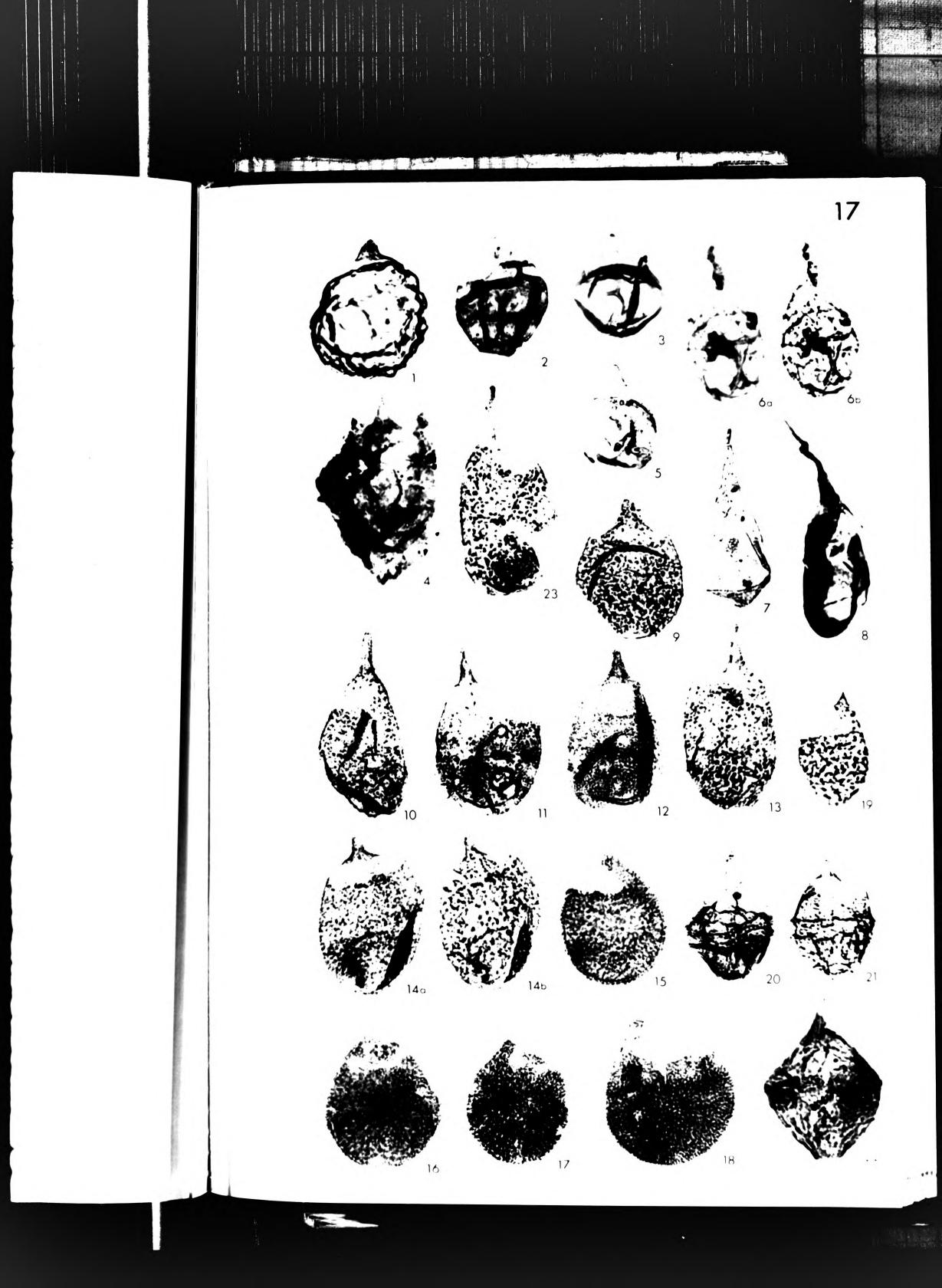
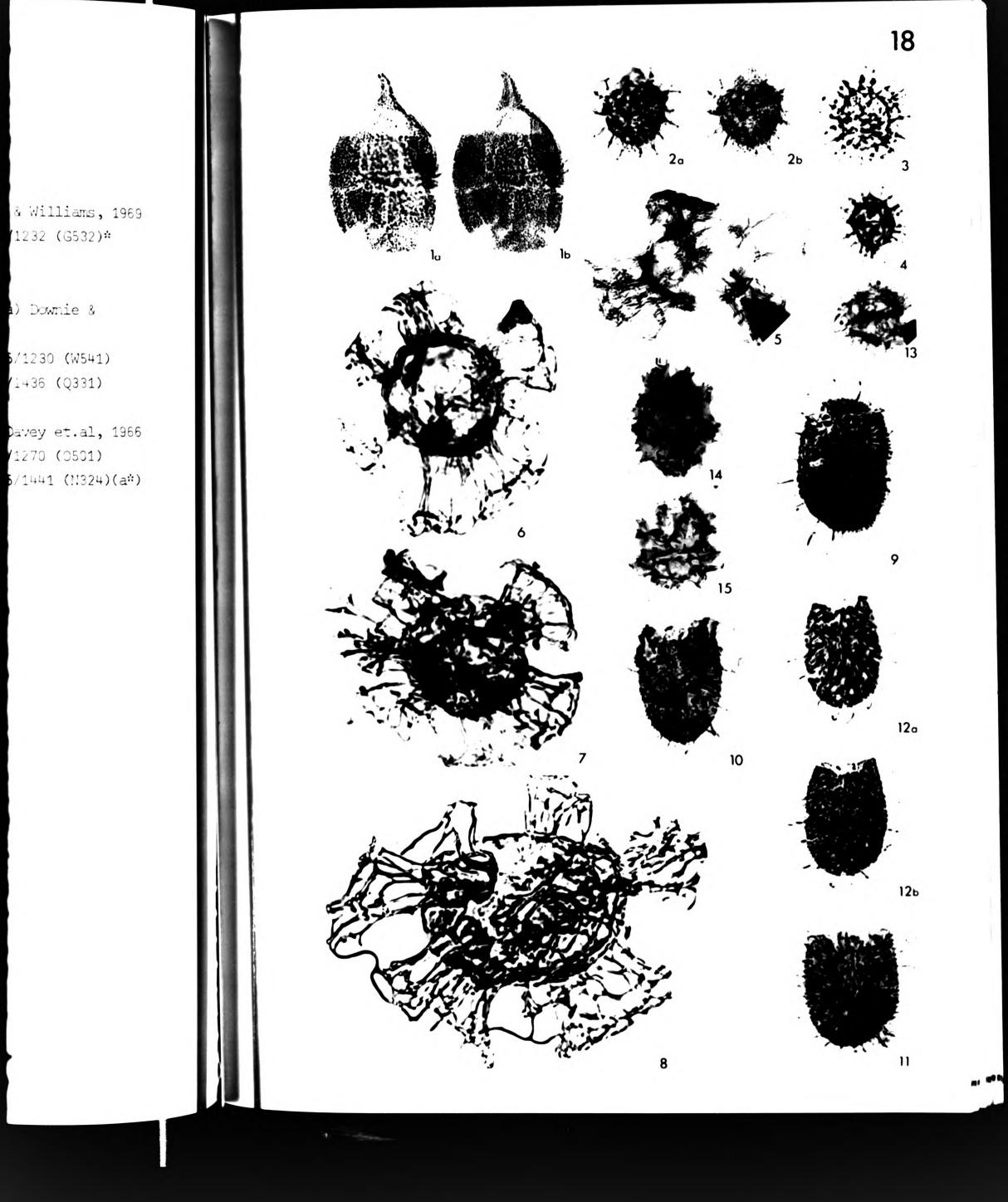
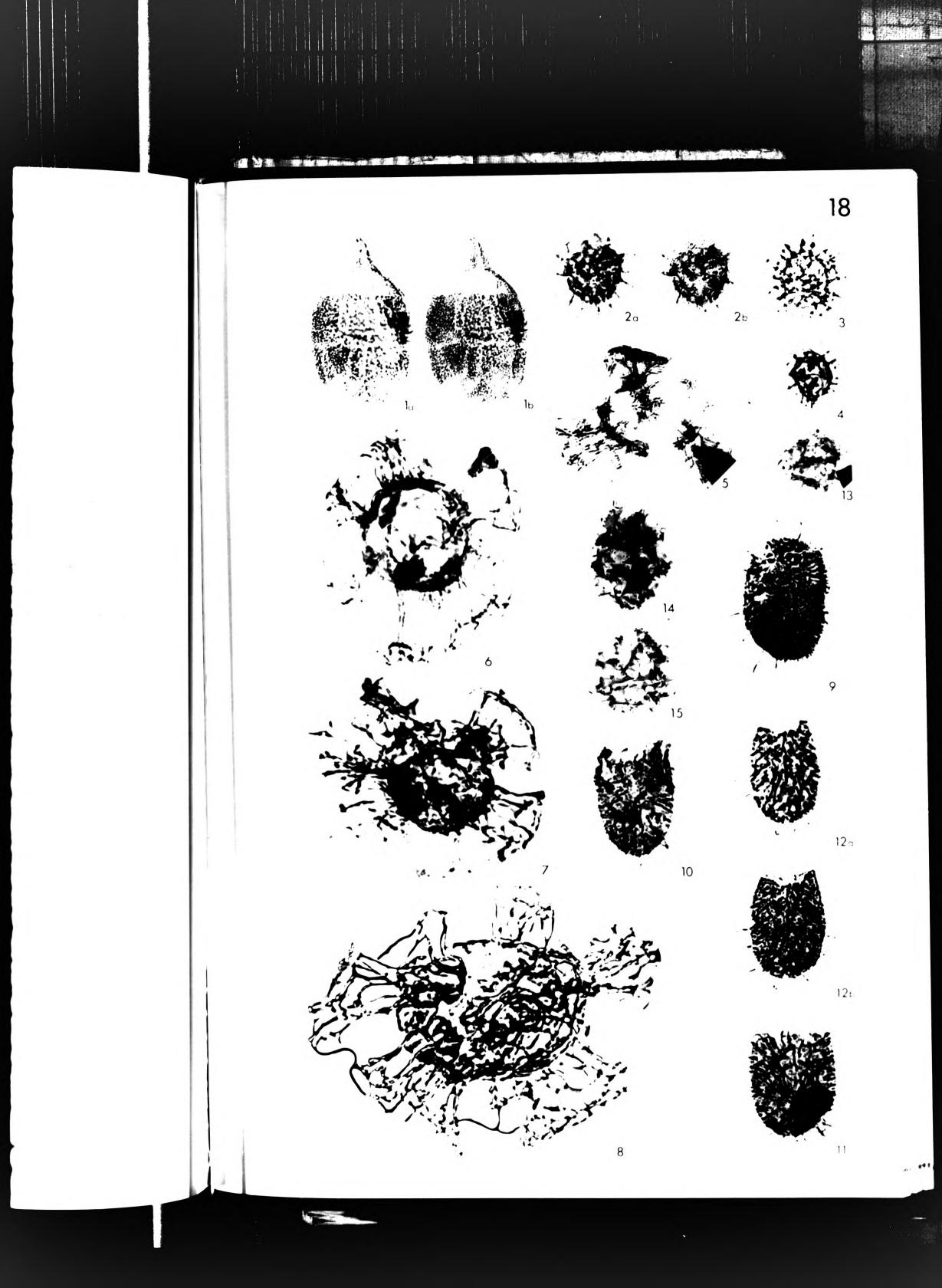


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r.	1	<u>Pluriarvalium</u> sp.A
		1. WB.228a; 094/1421 (J340)
	2-4	Polysphaeridium deflandrei (Valensi, 1947) Davey & Williams, 1969
		2. Br.963a; 085/1416 (H344)(a*) 3. Br.554a; 070/1232 (G532)*
1		4. Br.963a; 070/1307 (G460)*
	5-8	Polystephanephorous paracalathus (Sarjeant, 1960a) Downie &
10		Sarjeant, 1964
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		7. Br.1898a; 095/1332 (J430) 8. Br.785a; 155/1436 (Q331)
	9-12	Prolixosphaeridium granulosum (Deflandre, 1937) Davey et.al, 1966
1.5		9. Br.653a; 145/1279 (P491) 10. WB.53a; 137/1270 (0501)
		11. WB.88a; 195/1207 (U560) 12. Br.693a; 135/1441 (N324)(a*)
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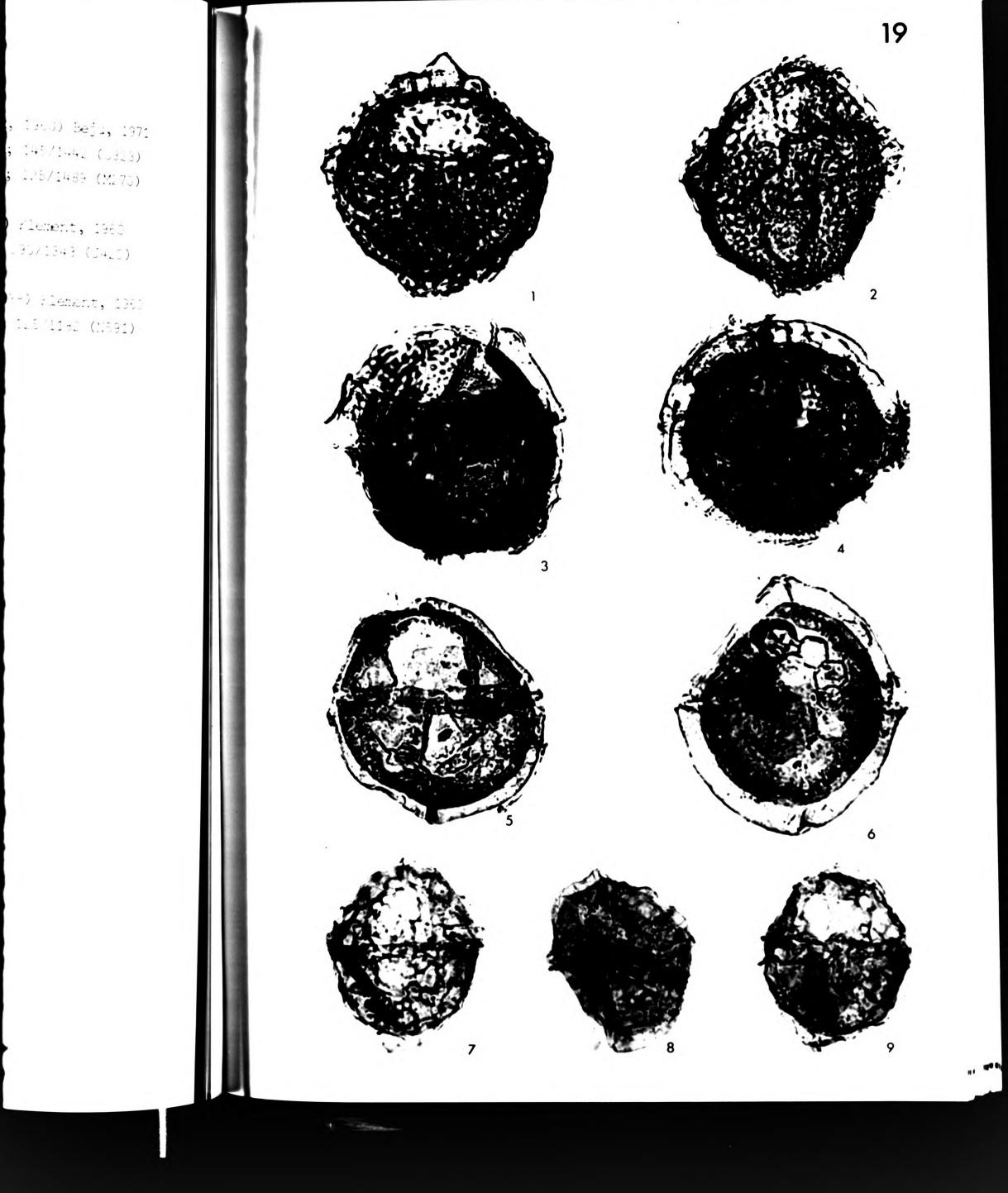
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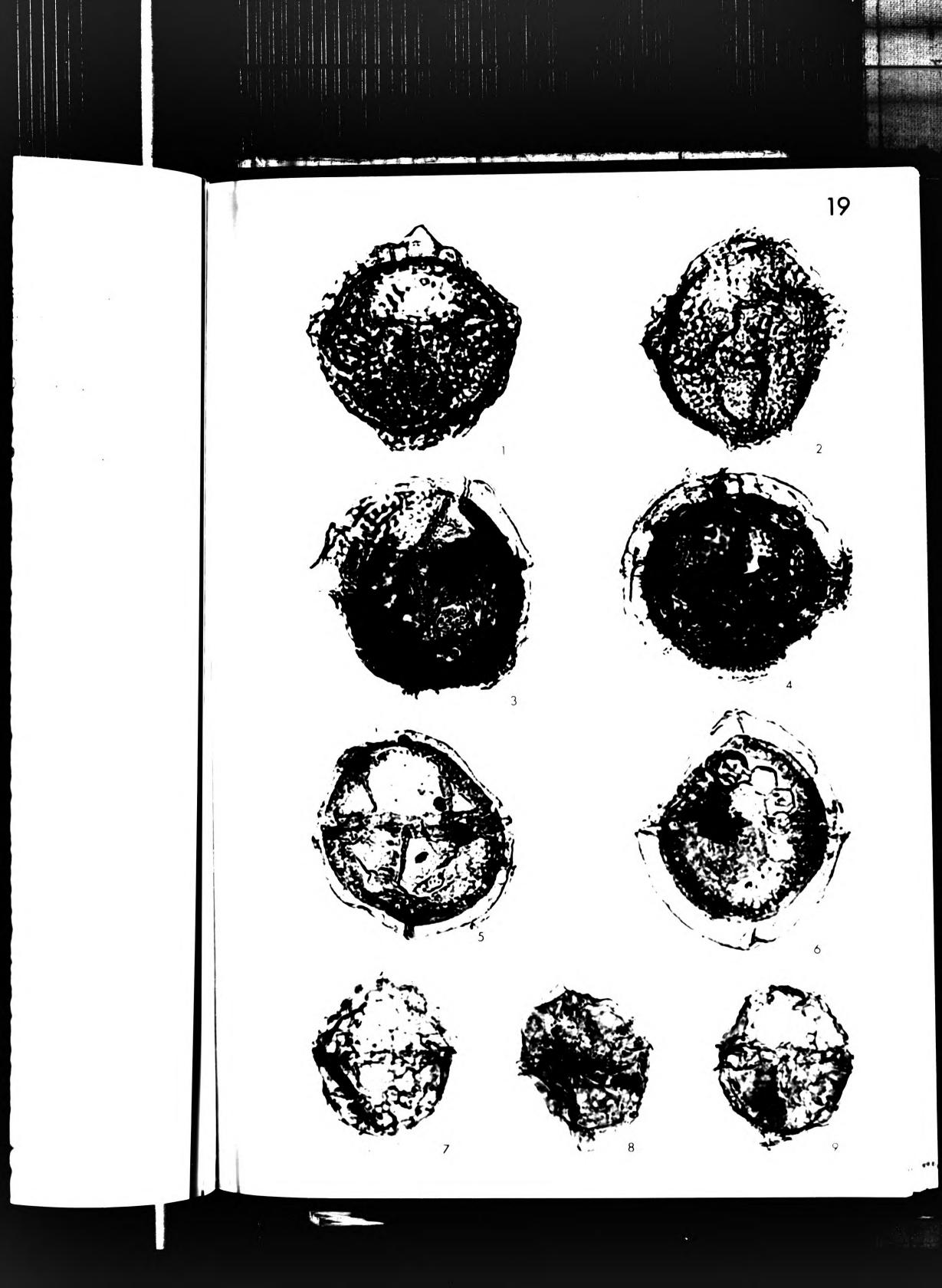
1-4	Scriniocassis dictyotus (Cookson & Eisenack, 1960) Beju, 1971
	1. Br. 246a; 150/1439 (P320) 2. Br. 246a; 145/1442 (0323)
	3. Br. 465a; 200/1331 (U434) 4. Br. 214a; $125/1489$ (M270)
5,6	Scriniodinium crystallinum (Deflandre, 1938) Klement, 1960
	5. Br.1255a; 175/1394 (S371) 6. WB.28a; $090/1343$ (J420)
7-9	Sominiadinium of an and
/ 3	Scriniodinium cf.crystallinum (Deflandre, 1938) Klement, 1960
	7. Br.1330a; 020/1470 (B290) 8. WB.178a; 125/1182 (N591)
	9. Br.1330a; 190/1301 (T460)





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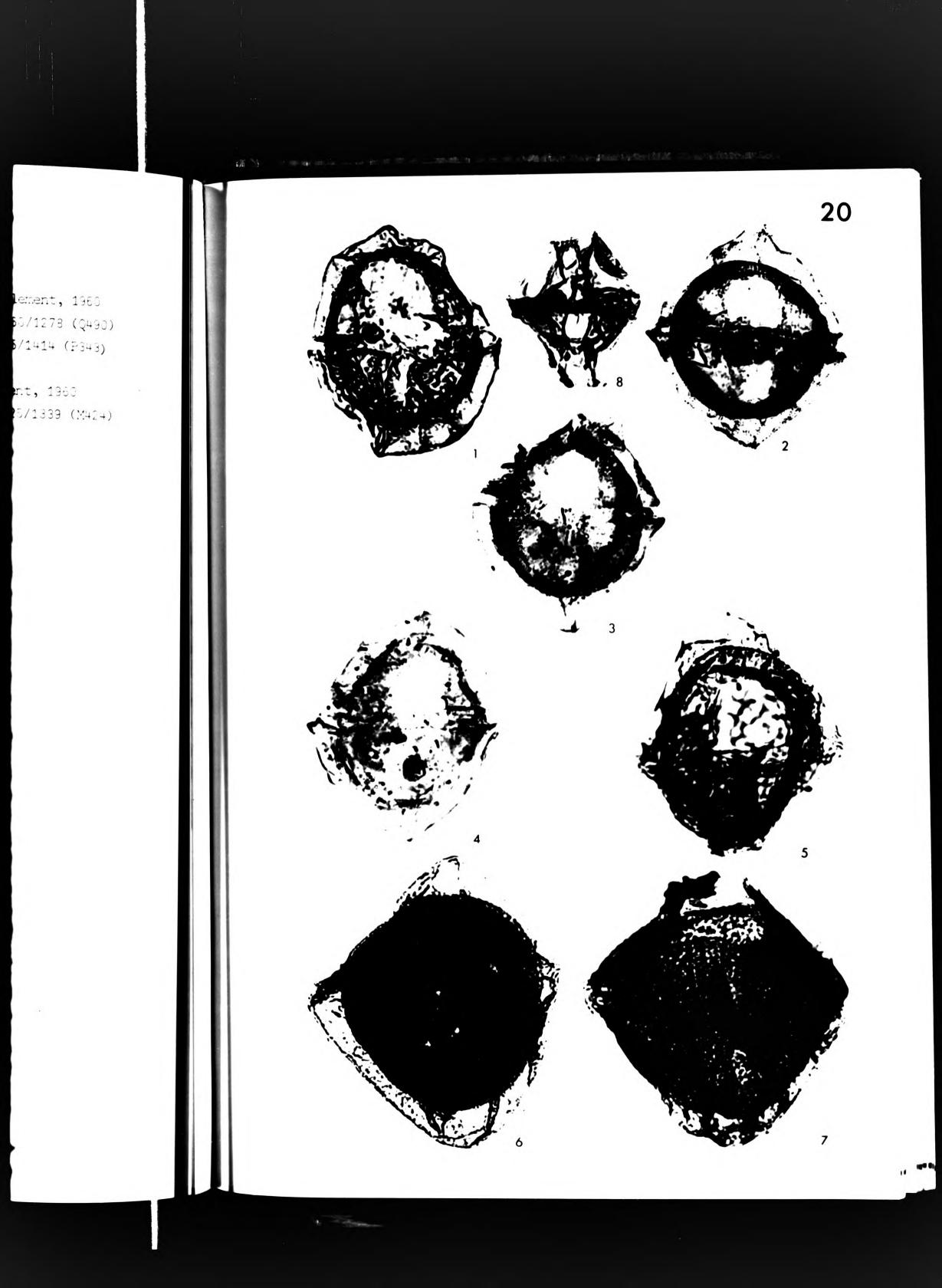
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- 5-7 <u>Scriniodinium galeritum</u> (Deflandre, 1938) Klement, 1960
  5. Br.820a; 115/1232 (L534)
  6. Br.785a; 125/1339 (M424)
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8 <u>Scriniodinium</u> sp.A

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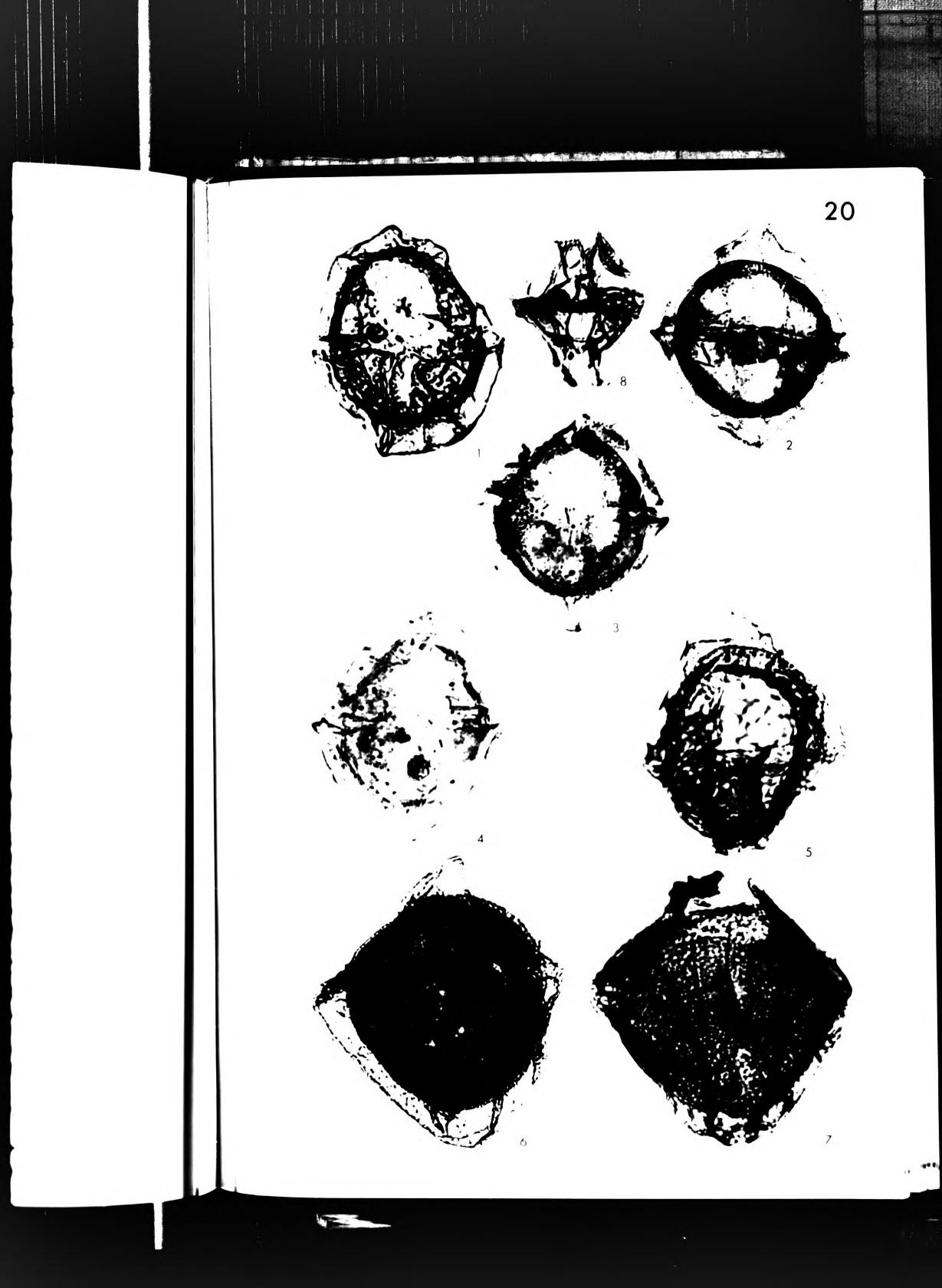


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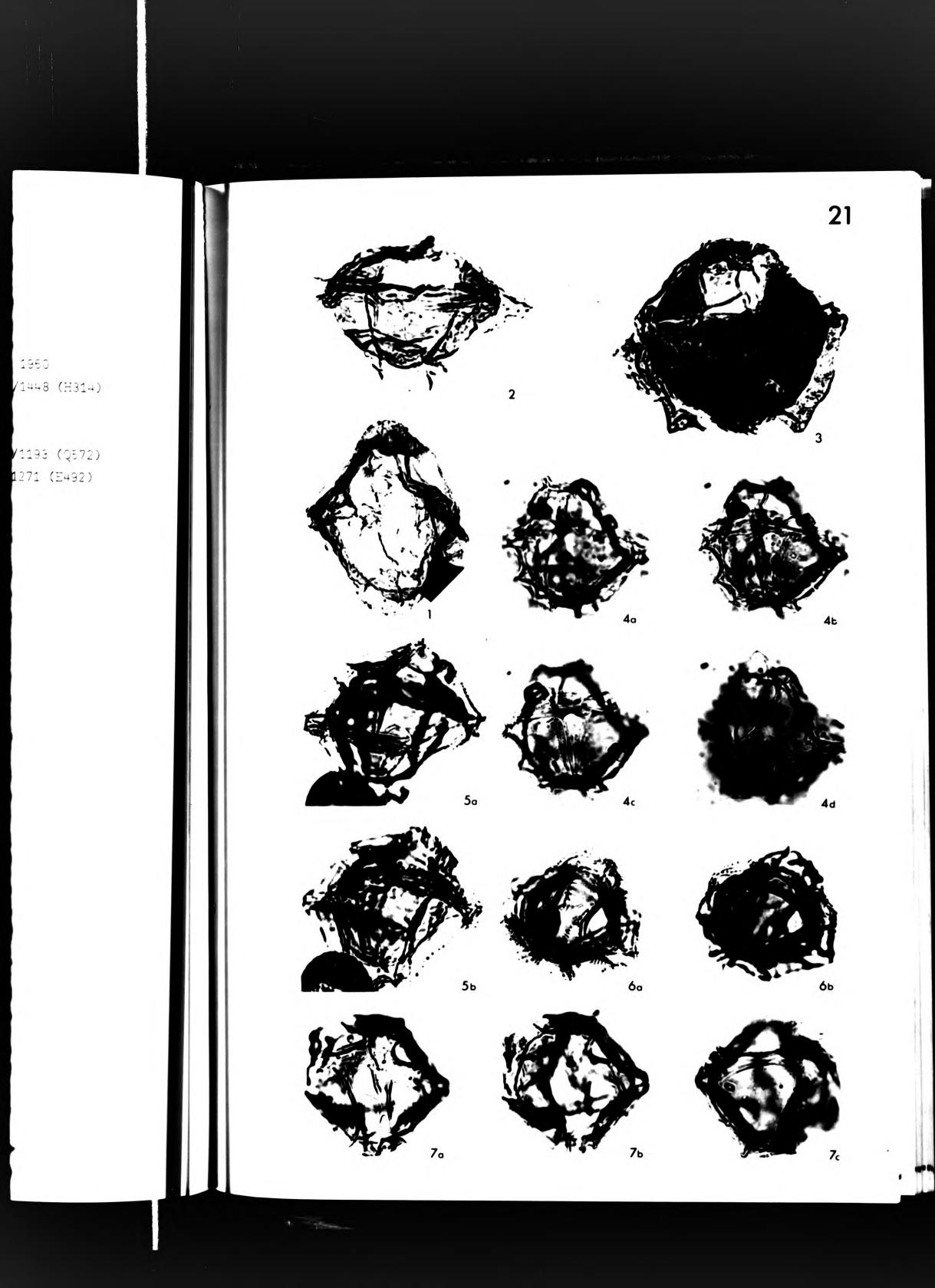
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1 <u>Scriniodinium</u> sp.A 1. Br.947a; 205/1350 (V410)

2,3 <u>Scriniodinium luridum</u> (Deflandre, 1938) Klement, 1960
 2. Br.246a; 075/1262 (G504)
 3. Br.214a; 085/1448 (H314)

4-7 <u>Scriniodinium subvallare</u> Sarjeant, 1962b
4. WB.138a; 110/1257 (L511) 5. Br.916a; 155/1193 (Q572)
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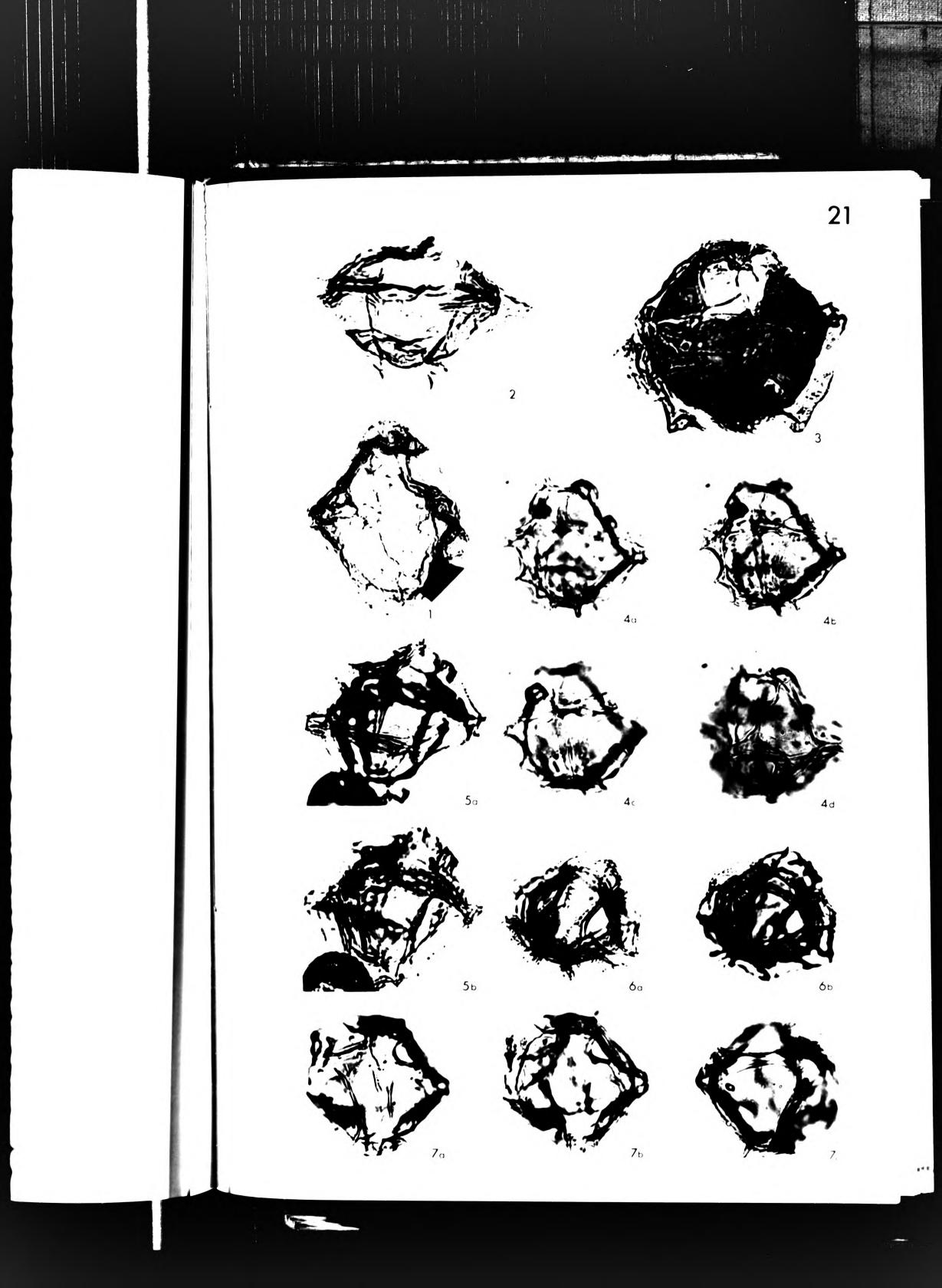
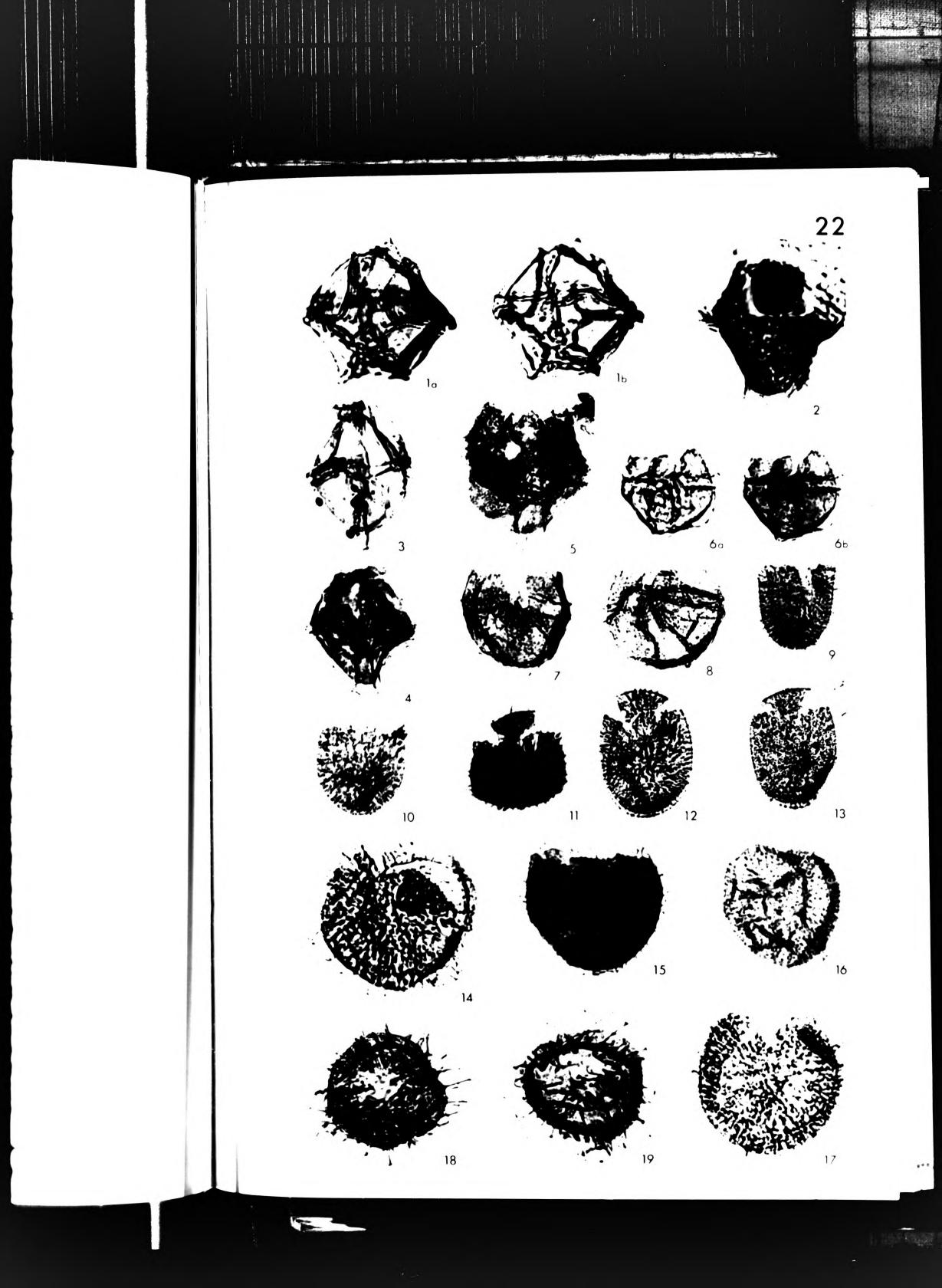


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	Figs			
	1	Scriniodinium subvallare Sarjeant, 1962b 1. Br.560a; 210/1421 (V340)		
	2	<u>Scriniodinium</u> sp.B 2. Br.170a; 040/1292 (D472)		
	3,4	<u>Scriniodinium</u> sp.A 3. Br.194a; 155/1450 (Q310) 4. Br.429a; 070/1458 (G300)		
	5-8	<u>Senoniasphaera oxfordiensis</u> sp.nov. 5. Br.669a; 190/1330 (T432) 6. Br.683a; 165/1284 (R482)(a*) Holotype 7. Br.465a; 185/1266 (S504) 8. Br.640a; 045/1314 (D450)		
	9-13	Sentusidinium pilosum(Ehrenberg, 1843) Sarjeant & Stover, 19789. WB.53a; 152/1486 (P274)10. WB.33a; 145/1299 (P471)11. Br.947a; 200/1250 (U523)12. Br.313a; 110/1335 (L430)13. WB.58a; 200/1233 (U534)		
	14-17	Sentusidinium rioultii(Sarjeant, 1968) Sarjeant & Stover, 197814. Br.976a; 065/1456 (F304)15. WB.128a; 200/1299 (U464)16. WB.108a; 215/1337 (W431)17. Br.963a; 095/1387 (J374)		
	18,19	<u>Sentusidinium varispinosum</u> (Sarjeant, 1959) Sarjeant & Stover, 1978		

18. WB.224a; 040/1418 (C343) 19. Br.1898a; 210/1370 (V390)



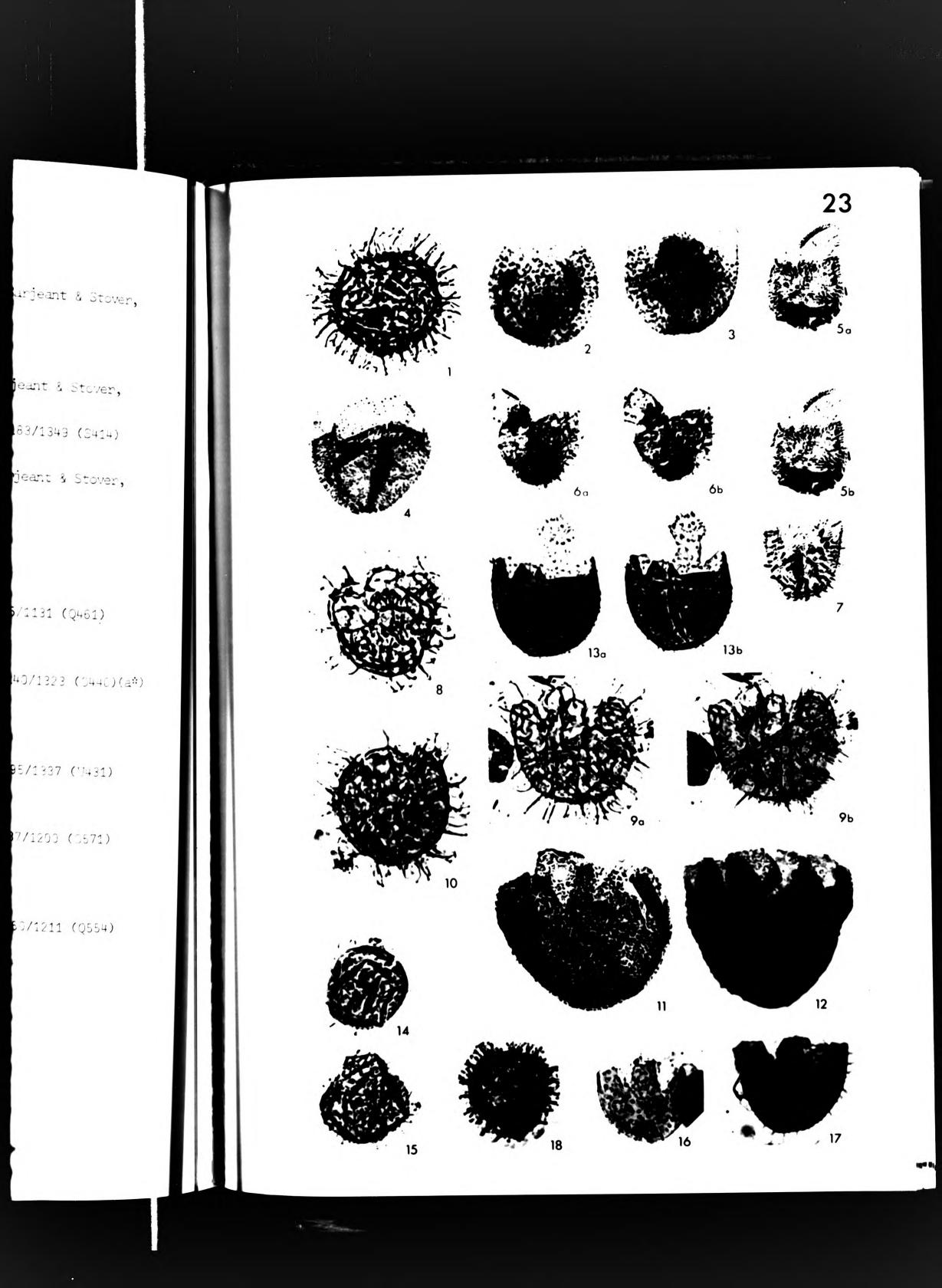


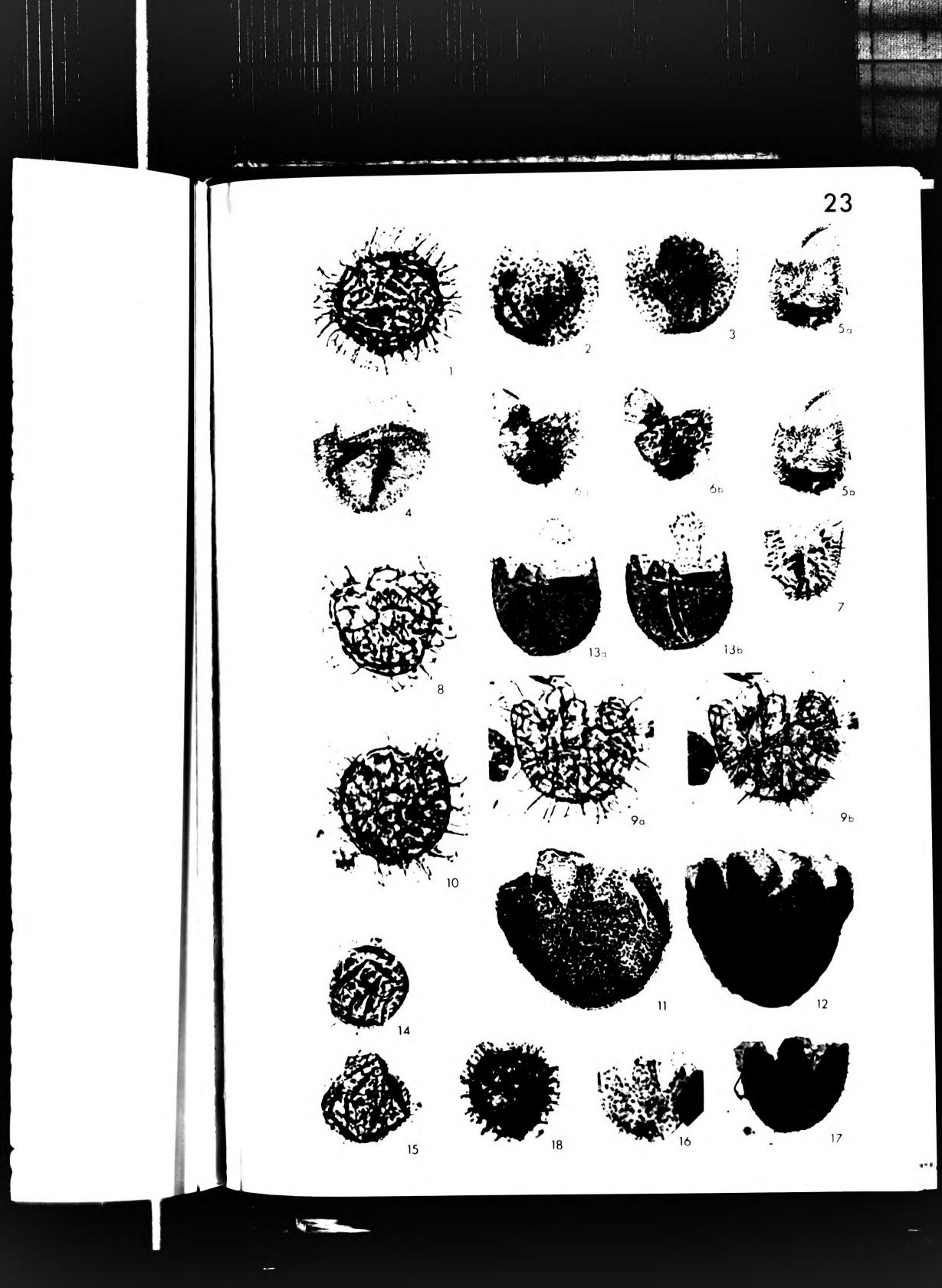
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	2. WB.210a; 193/1185 (U582) 3. WB.208a; 183/1349 (S414)					
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8-10	<u>Sentusidinium</u> sp.A 8. Br.1155a; 200/1265 (U500) 9. Br.1155a; 140/1323 (0440)(a 10. Br.963a; 195/1346 (U412)					
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13,16, 17	<u>Sentusidinium</u> sp.B 13. Br.560a; 225/1506 (X250) 16. WB.211a; 137/1200 (0571) 17. WB.208a; 189/1488 (T270)					

14. Br.1450a; 220/1295 (W470) 15. Br.1354a; 160/1211 (Q554)

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- Sentusidinium sp.D 1-3
  - 1. Br.560a; 185/1500 (S263)
    - 3. Br.884a; 210/1469 (V290)
- Sirmiodiniopsis orbis Drugg, 1978 4-8
  - 4. WB.123a; 190/1252 (T514) 6. WB.123a; 155/1203 (Q560)
  - 8. Br.1605a; 200/1491 (U273)\*
- 9-14 Sirmiodinium grossii Alberti, 1961
  - 9. Br.1760a; 210/1464 (V294)
  - 11. WB.58a; 070/1313 (G450)
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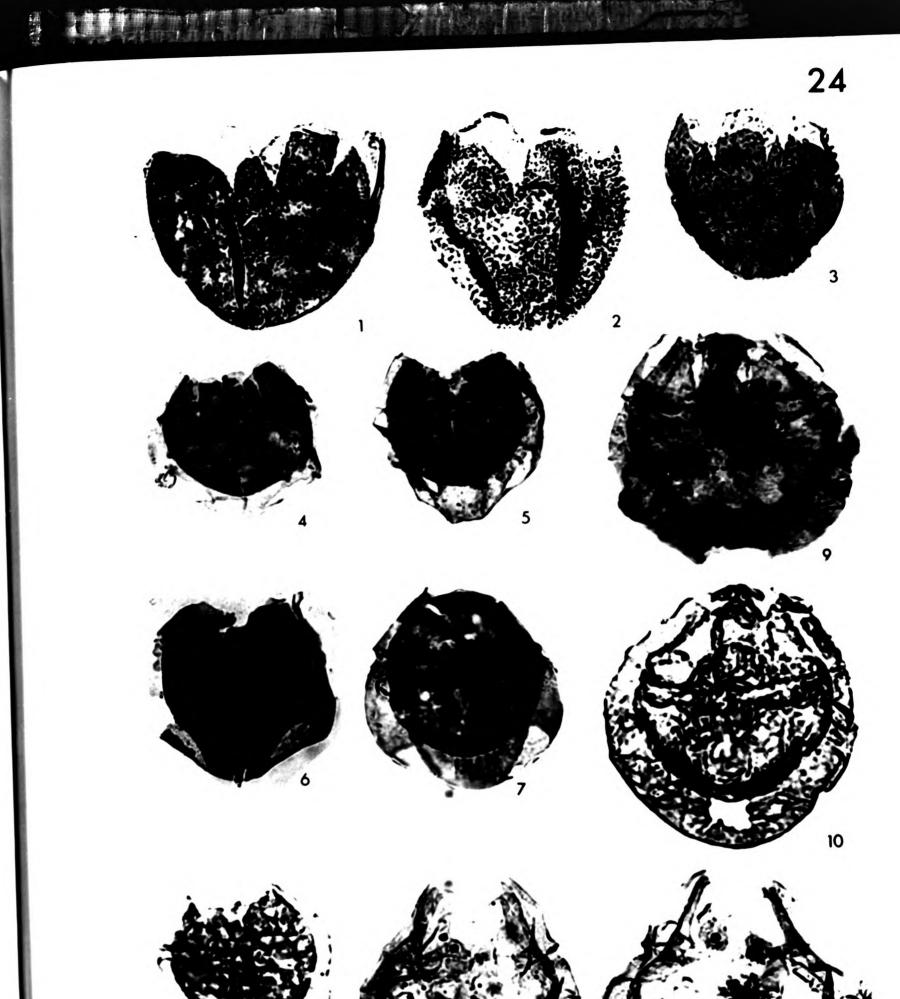
- 7. Br.963a; 065/1249 (G521)
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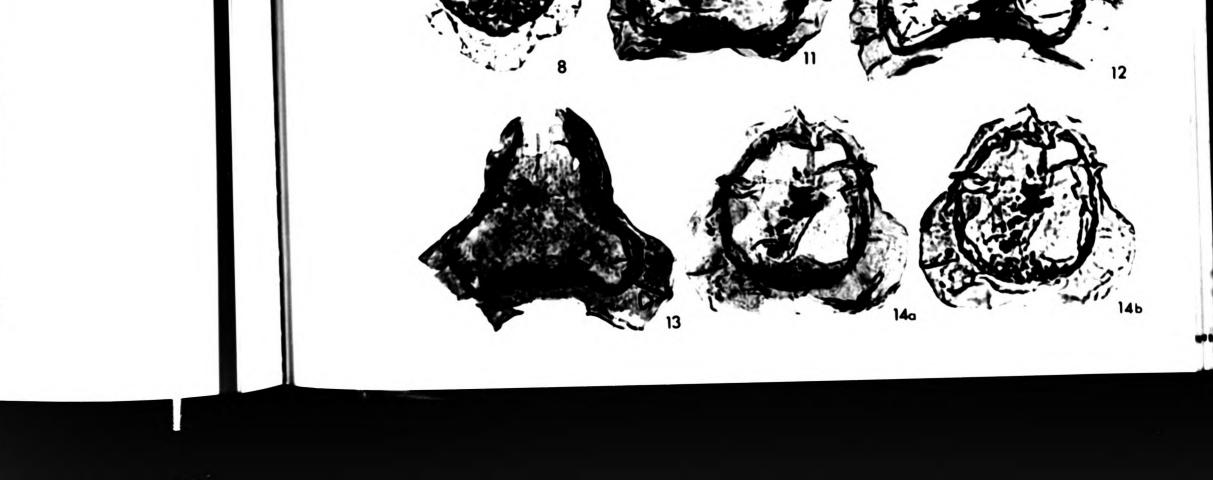


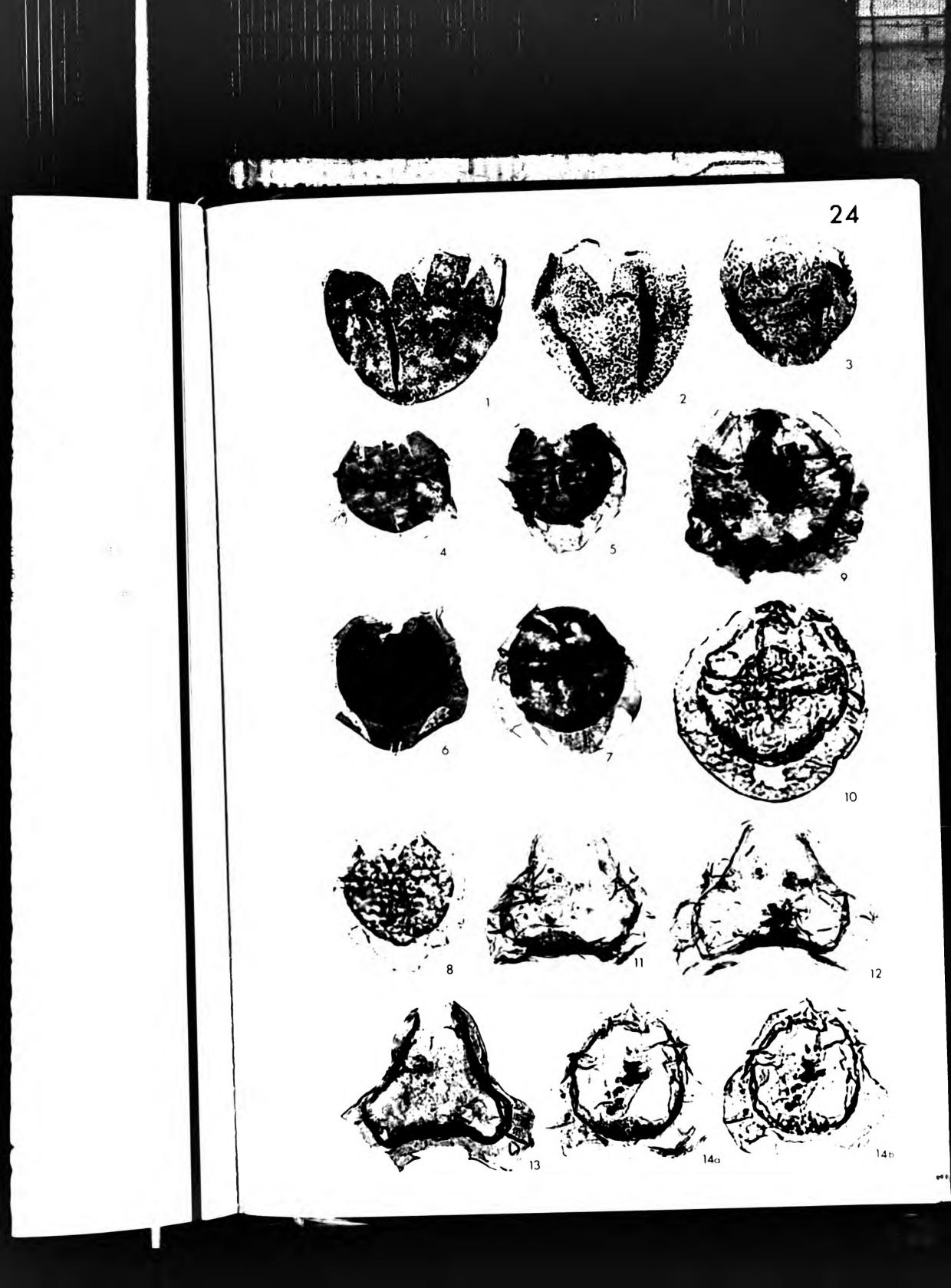
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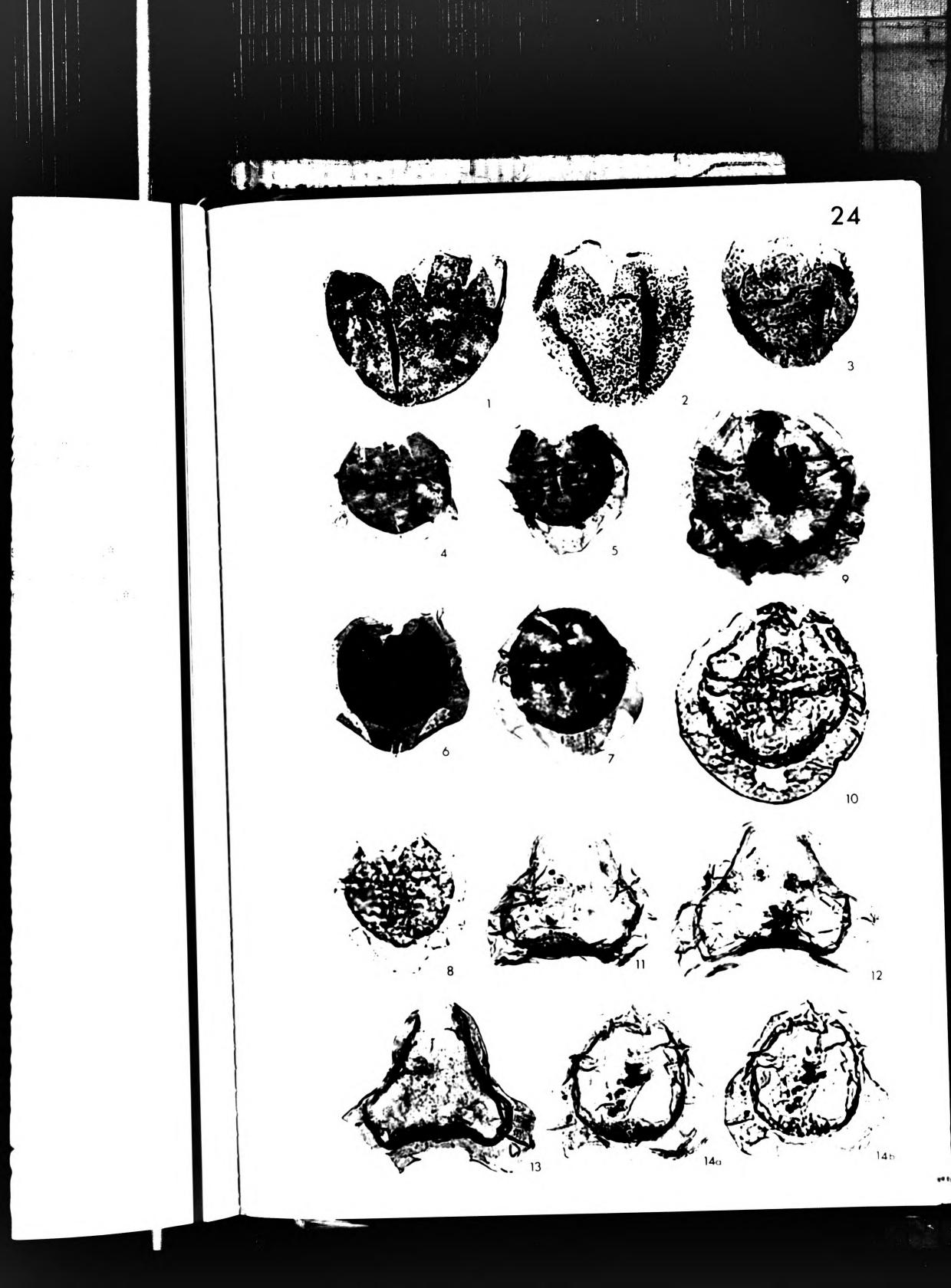
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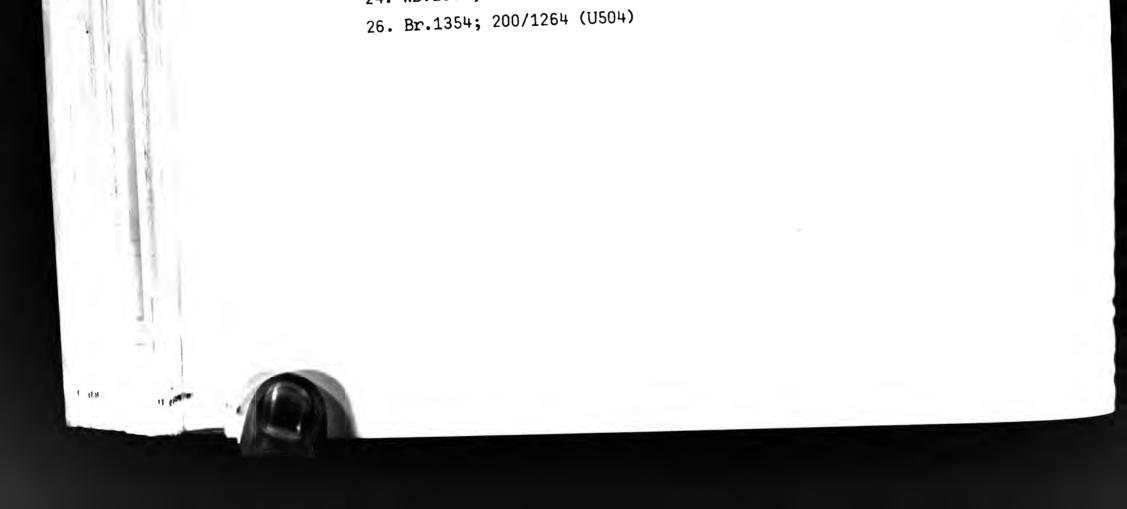




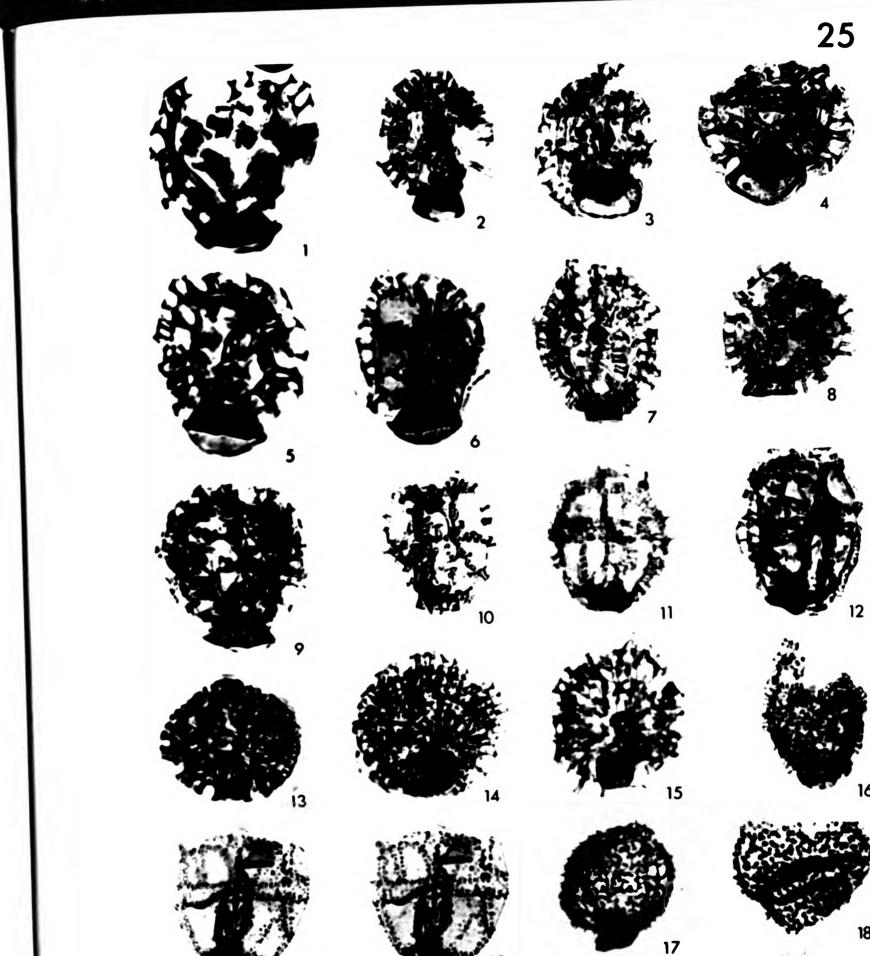
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19-21	Stephanelytron tabulophorumStover, Sarjeant & Drugg, 197719. WB.183a; 155/1289 (Q481)20. WB.210a; 200/1460 (U300)21. Br.1605a; 110/1471 (L290)(a*)

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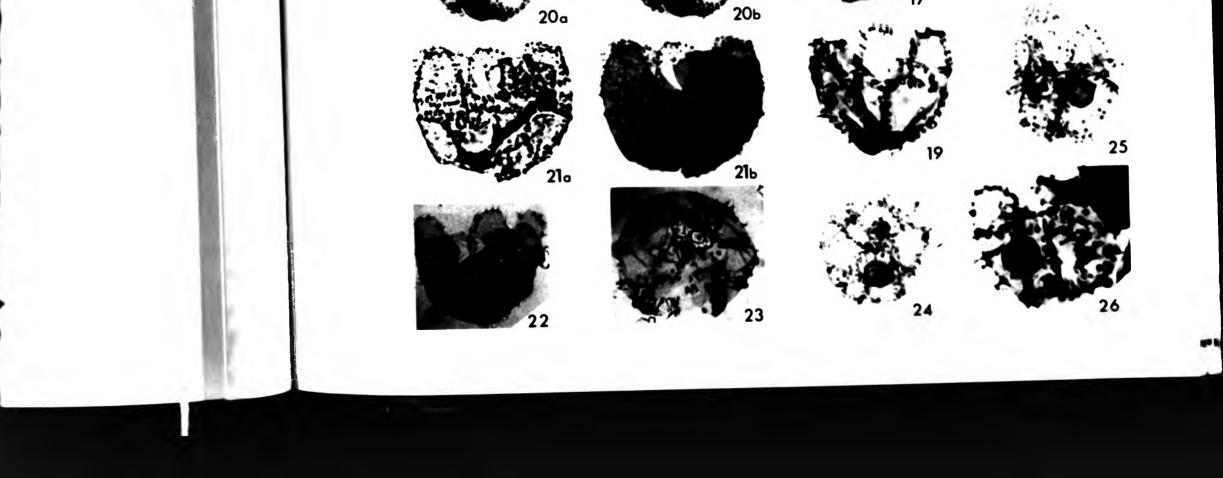
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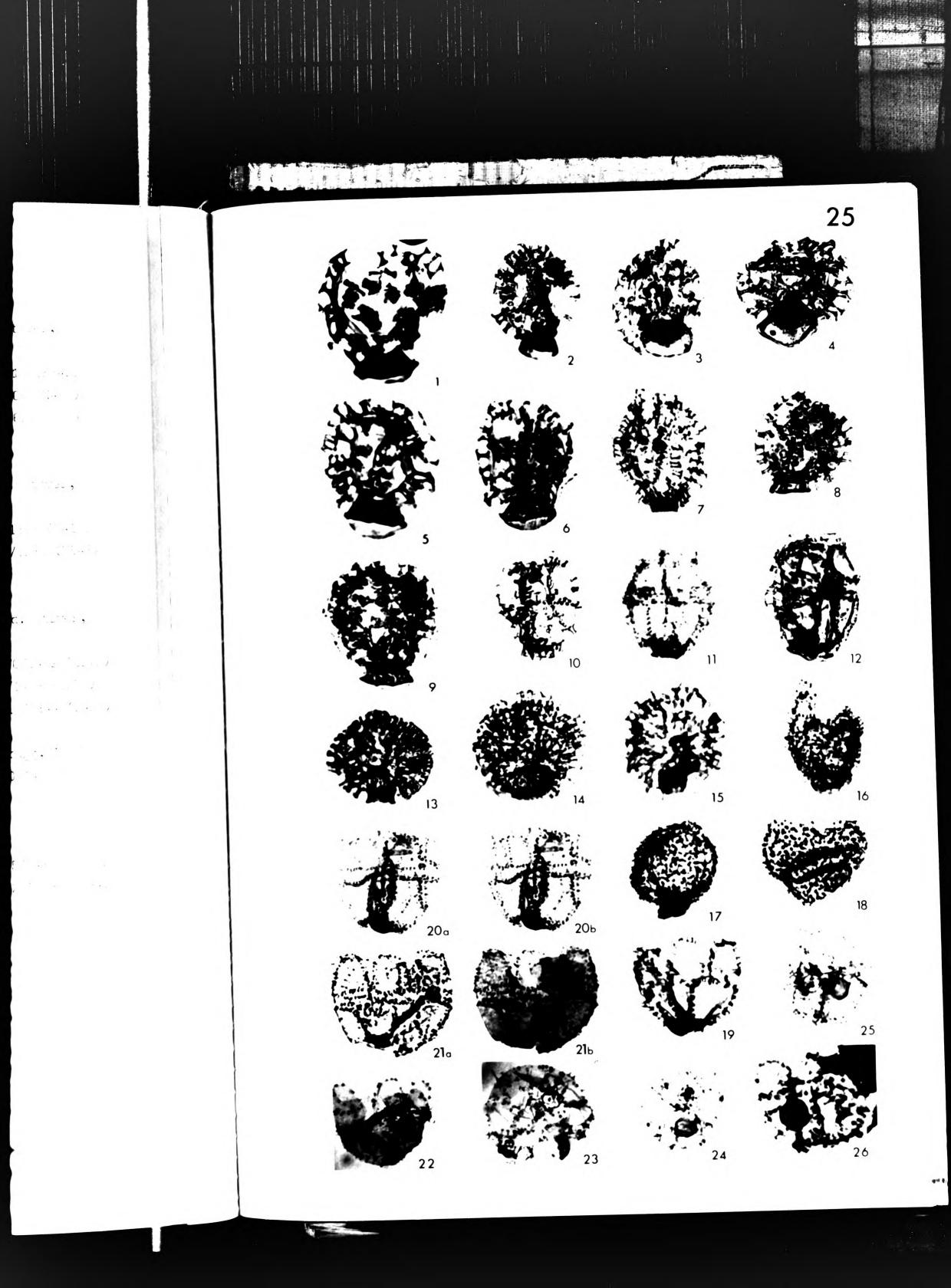
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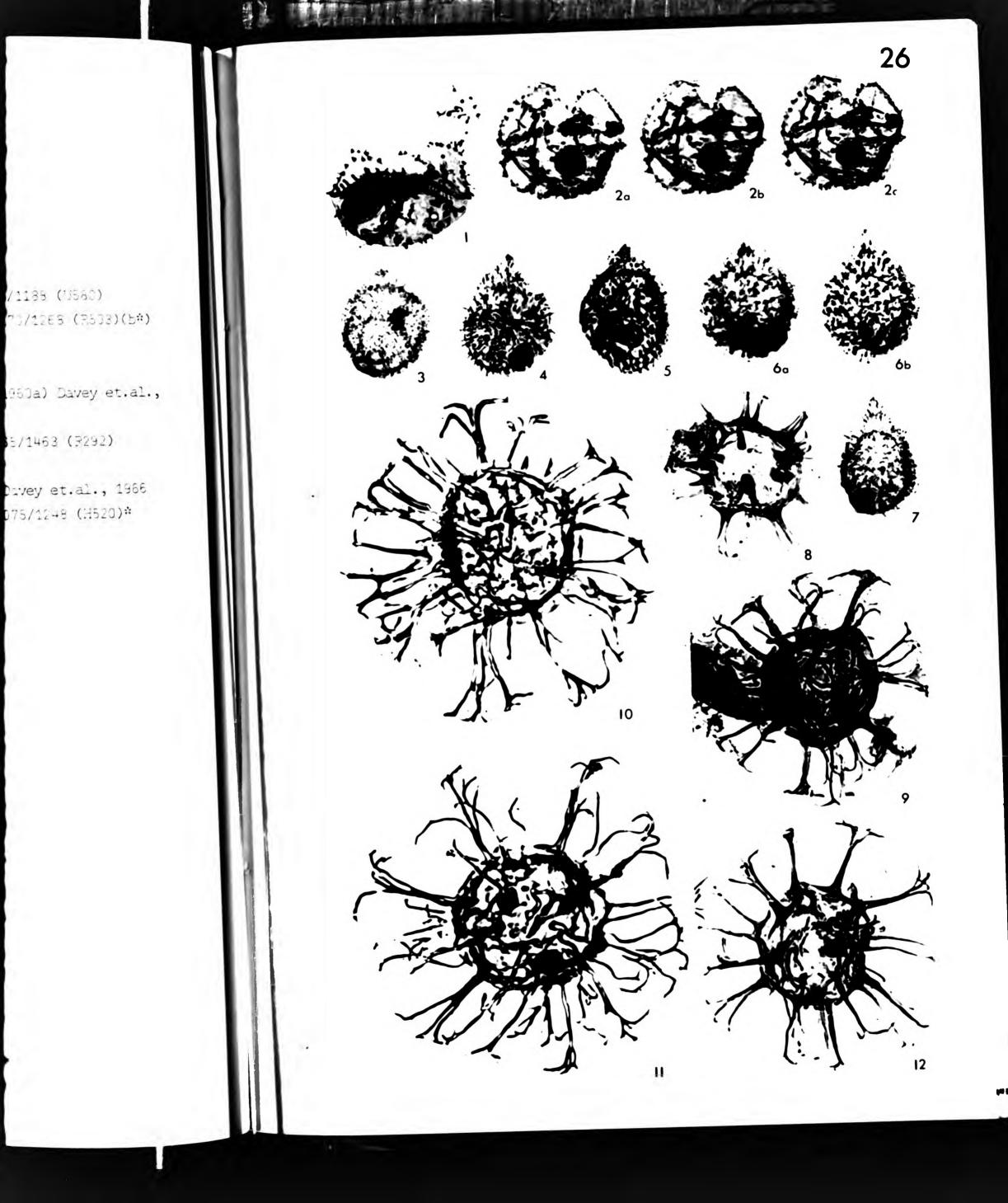
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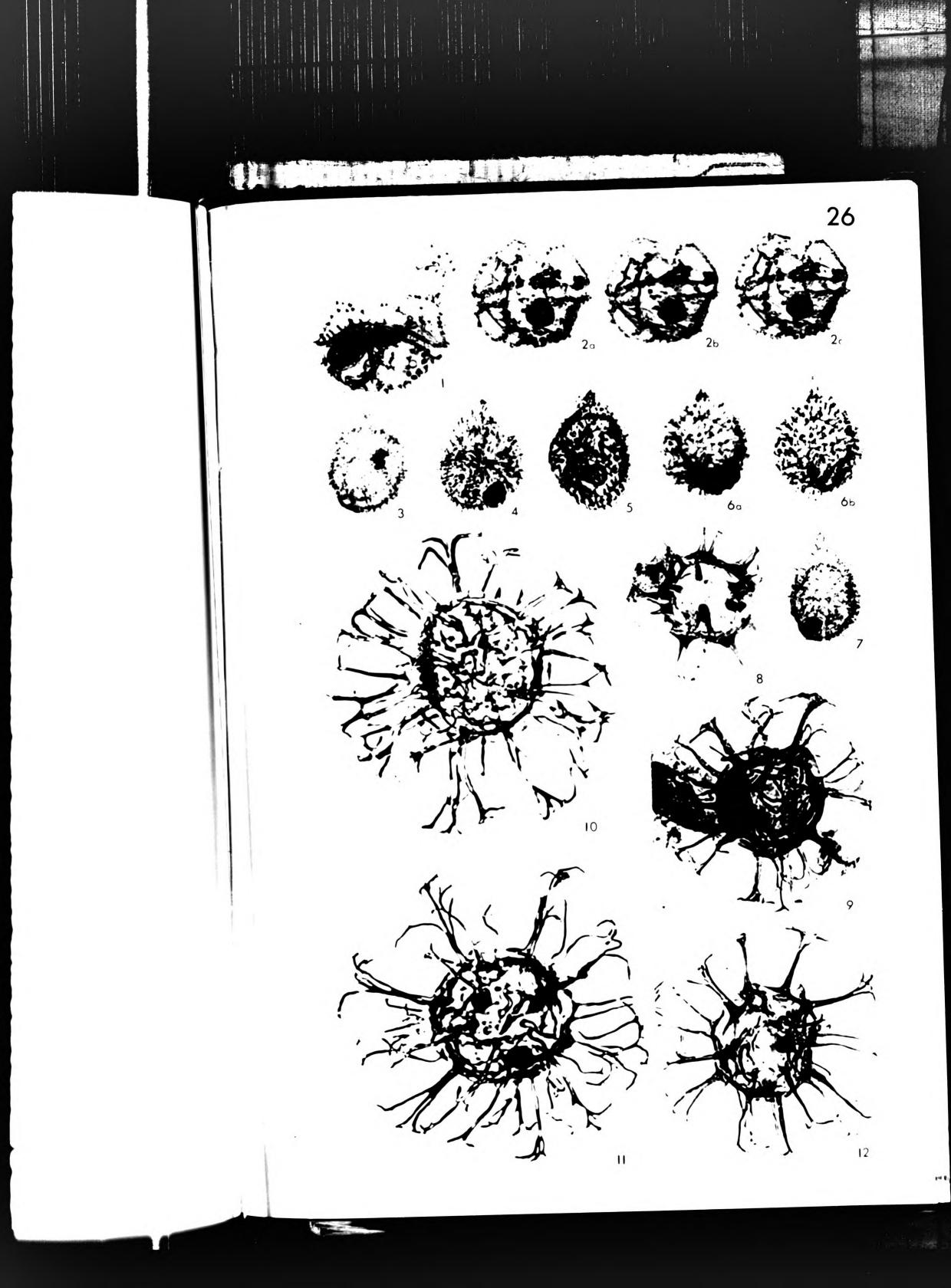
- 1,2 Stephanelytron eccentricum sp.nov.
  - 1. Br.884a; 100/1393 (K373) Holotype
    - 2. Br.1255a; 175/1242 (R524)(b,c\*)

3-7 <u>Stephanelytron echinatum</u> sp. nov.
3. WB.208a; 141/1287 (0374)
4. WB.88a; 195/1188 (U580)
5. Br.916a; 158/1243 (Q520)
6. Br.1354a; 170/1268 (R503)(b\*)
7. WB.88a; 203/1457 (U304) Holotype

- 8,9 <u>Surculosphaeridium cribrotubiferum</u> (Sarjeant, 1960a) Davey et.al.,
  1966
  8. WB.58a; 155/1391 (Q372)
  9. Br.785a; 165/1463 (R292)
- 10-12 <u>Surculosphaeridium vestitum</u> (Deflandre, 1938) Davey et.al., 1966 10. Br.710a; 095/1342 (J424)\* 11. Br.443a; 075/1248 (H520)\* 12. Br.520a; 120/1452 (M311)





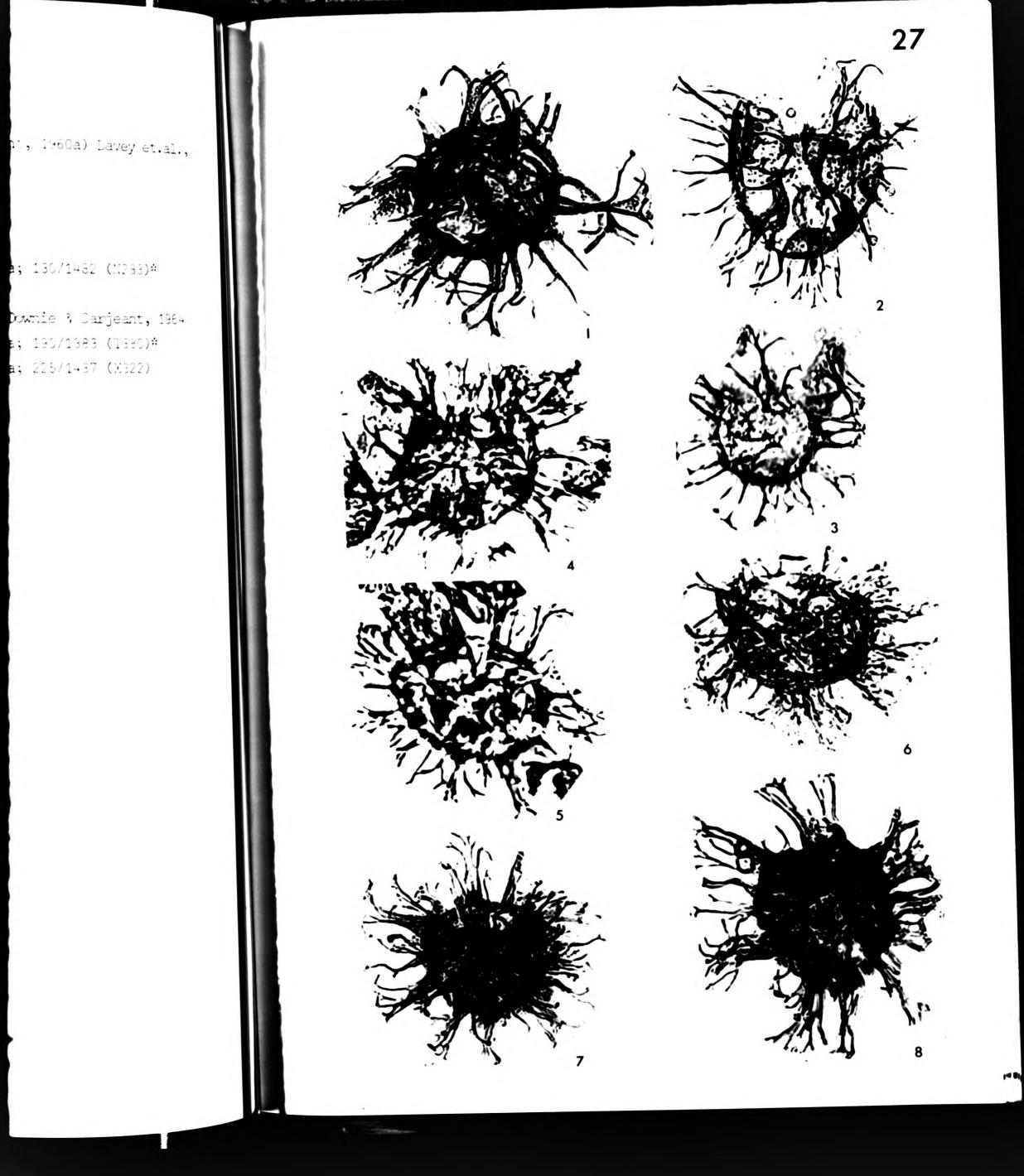


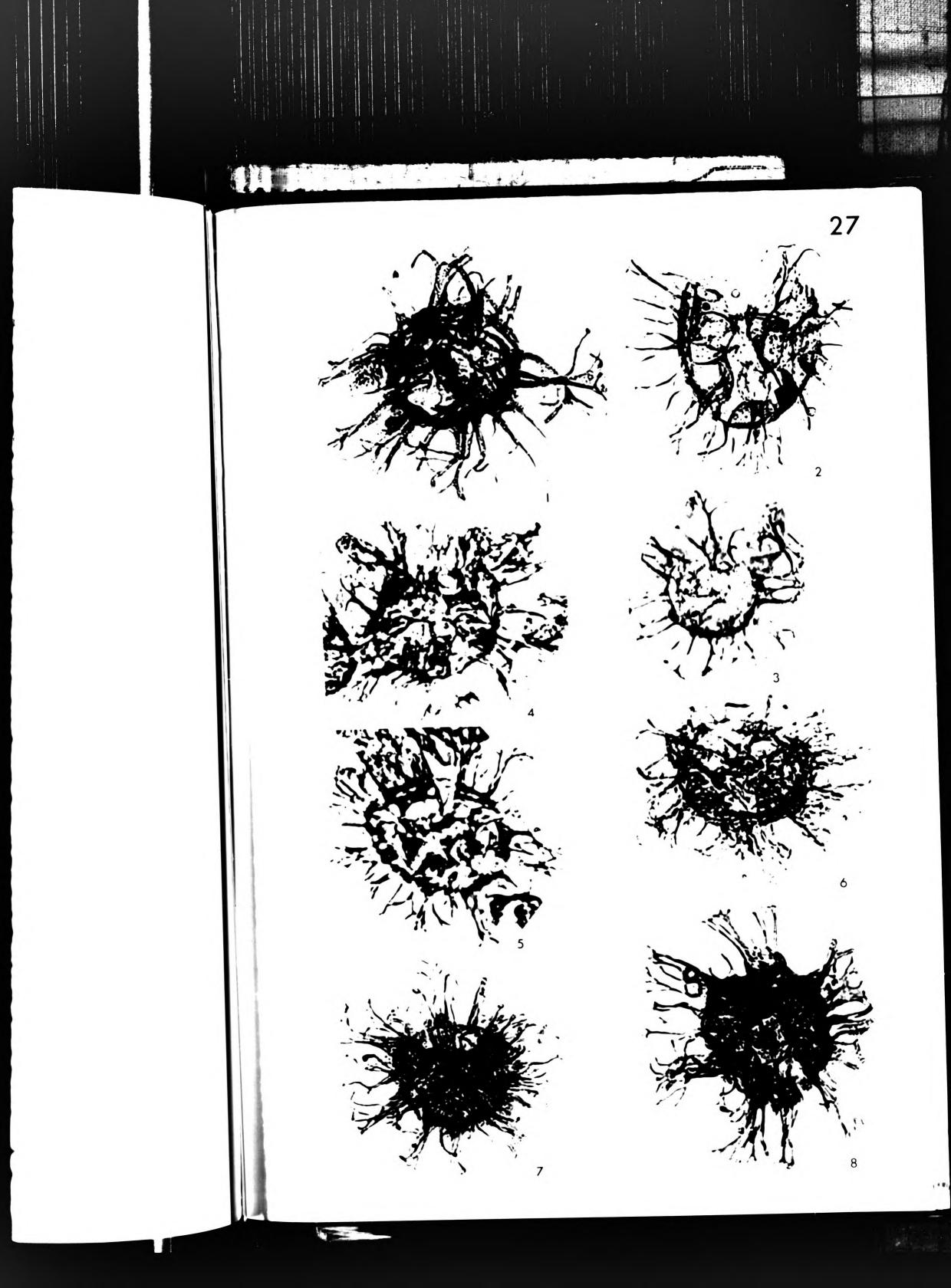
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6,7, <u>Tubotuberella dangeardii</u> (Sarjeant, 1968) Stover & Evitt, 1978 6. WB.43a; 125/1292 (N472) 7. WB.53a; 196/1455 (U300) 10. Br.785a; 045/1220 (D543)

8,9,Tubotuberella eisenackii(Deflandre, 1938)Stover & Evitt, 197812,138. Br.443a; 160/1280 (Q484)9. Br.543a; 145/1425 (O334)12. Br.976a; 085/1191 (H583)(b\*)13. Br.985a; 185/1436 (S324)

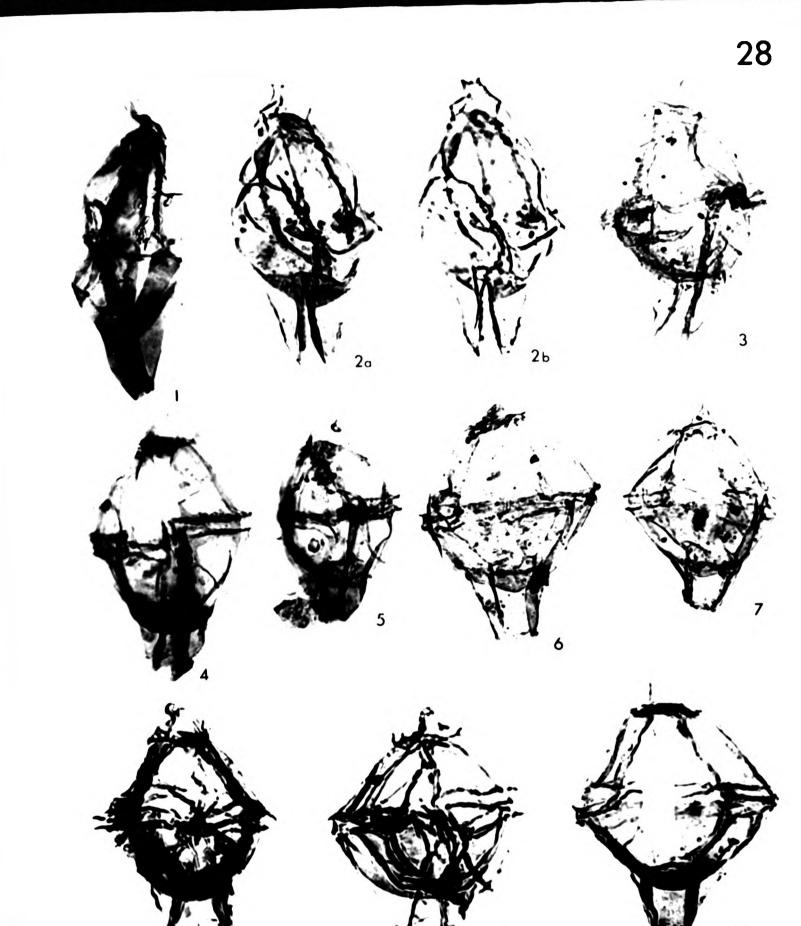


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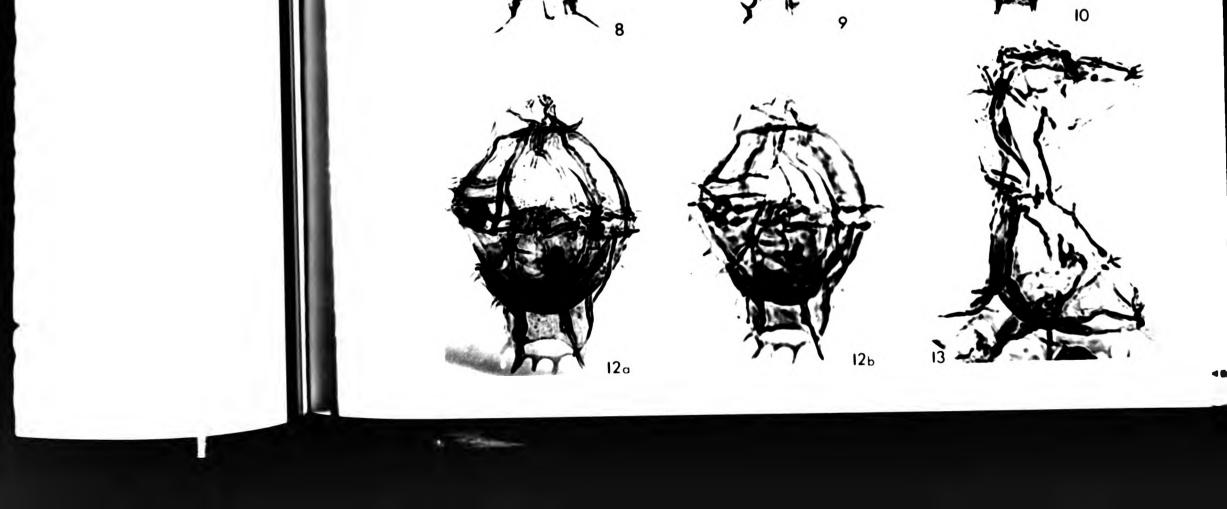
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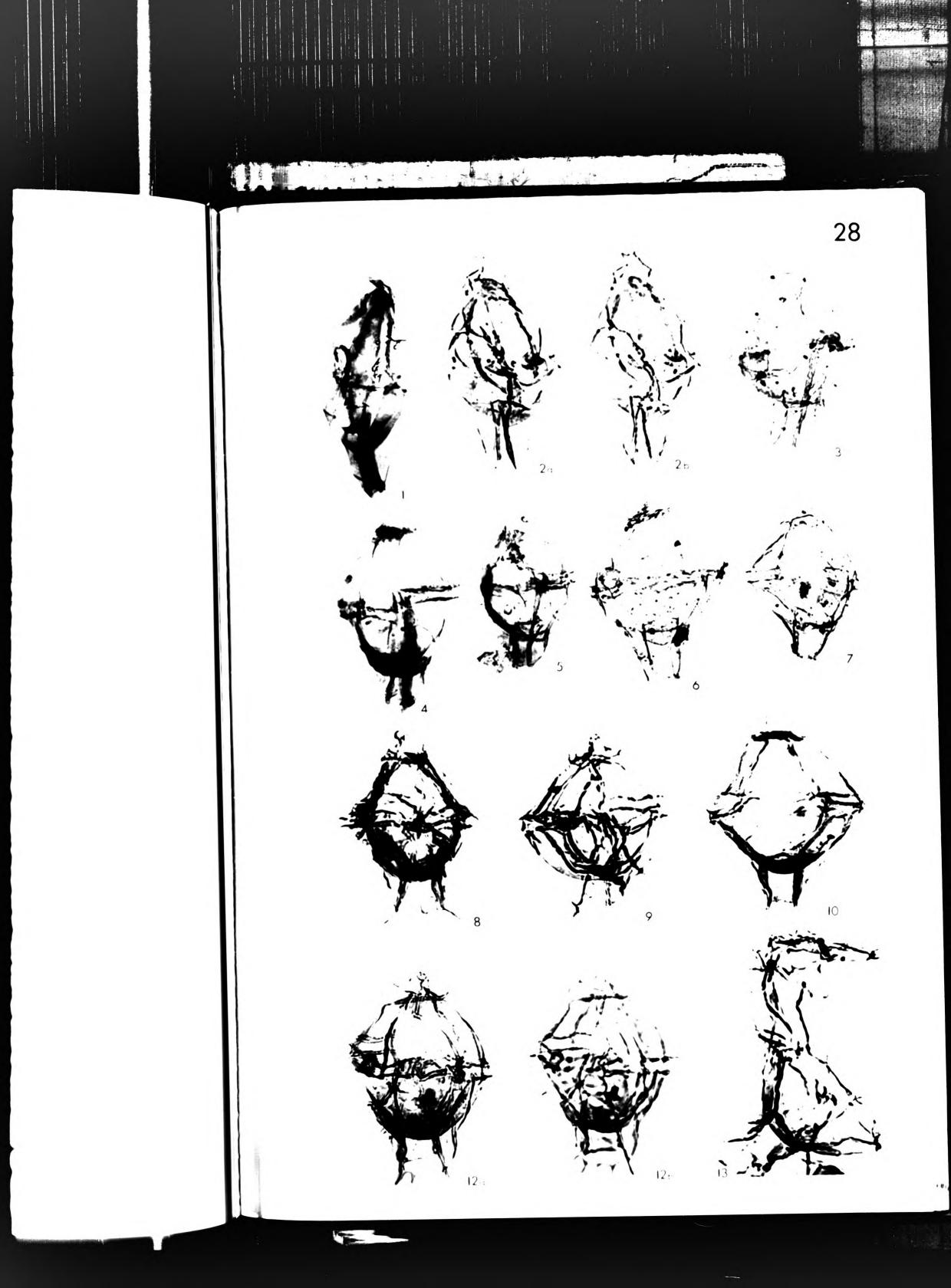
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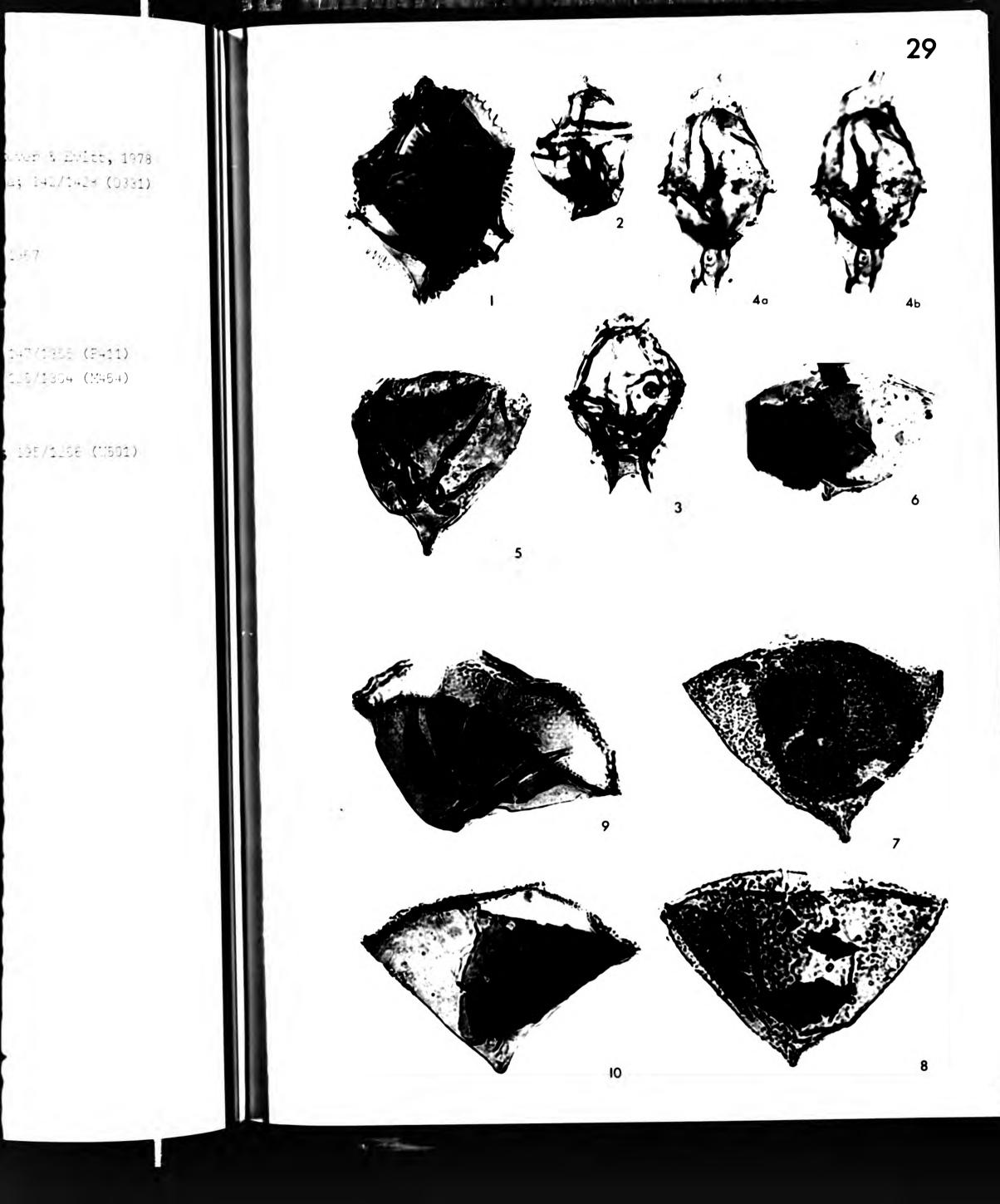
1-3 <u>Tubotuberella eisenackii</u> (Deflandre, 1938) Stover & Evitt, 1978
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2. WB.203(2)a; 142/1428 (0331)
3. WB.63a; 020/1257 (B510)

4 <u>Tubotuberella sphaerocephalis</u> Vozzhennikova, 1967
4. WB.128a; 143/1217 (0553)

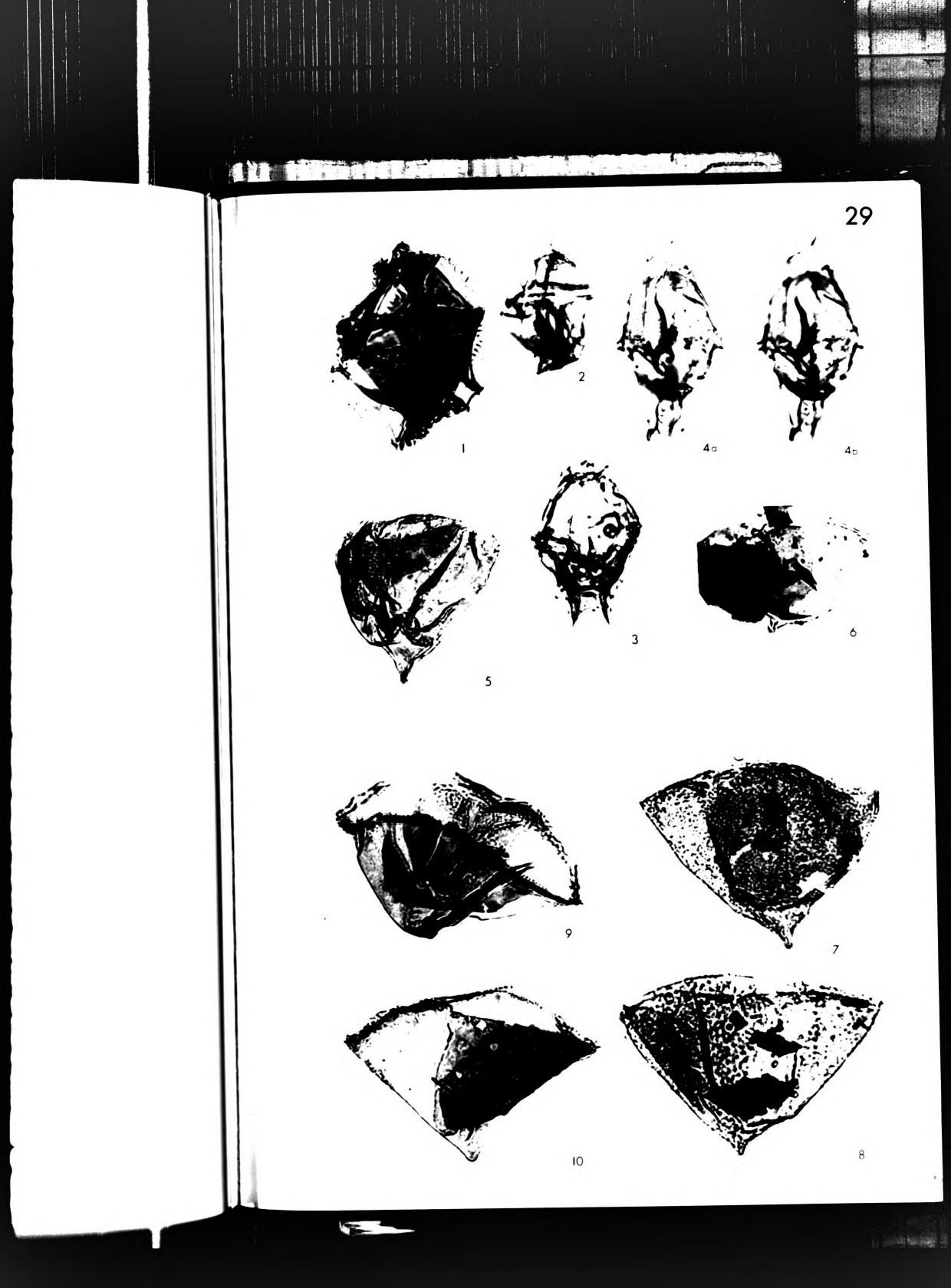
5-8	Wanaea acollaris Dodekova, 1975				
-	5. Br.1006a; 195/1226 (U540)*	6.	WB.210a;	147/1355	(P411)
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	7. Br.820a; 140/1420 (0340)	8.	Br.020a;	123/1304	

9,10 <u>Wanaea digitata</u> Cookson & Eisenack, 1958
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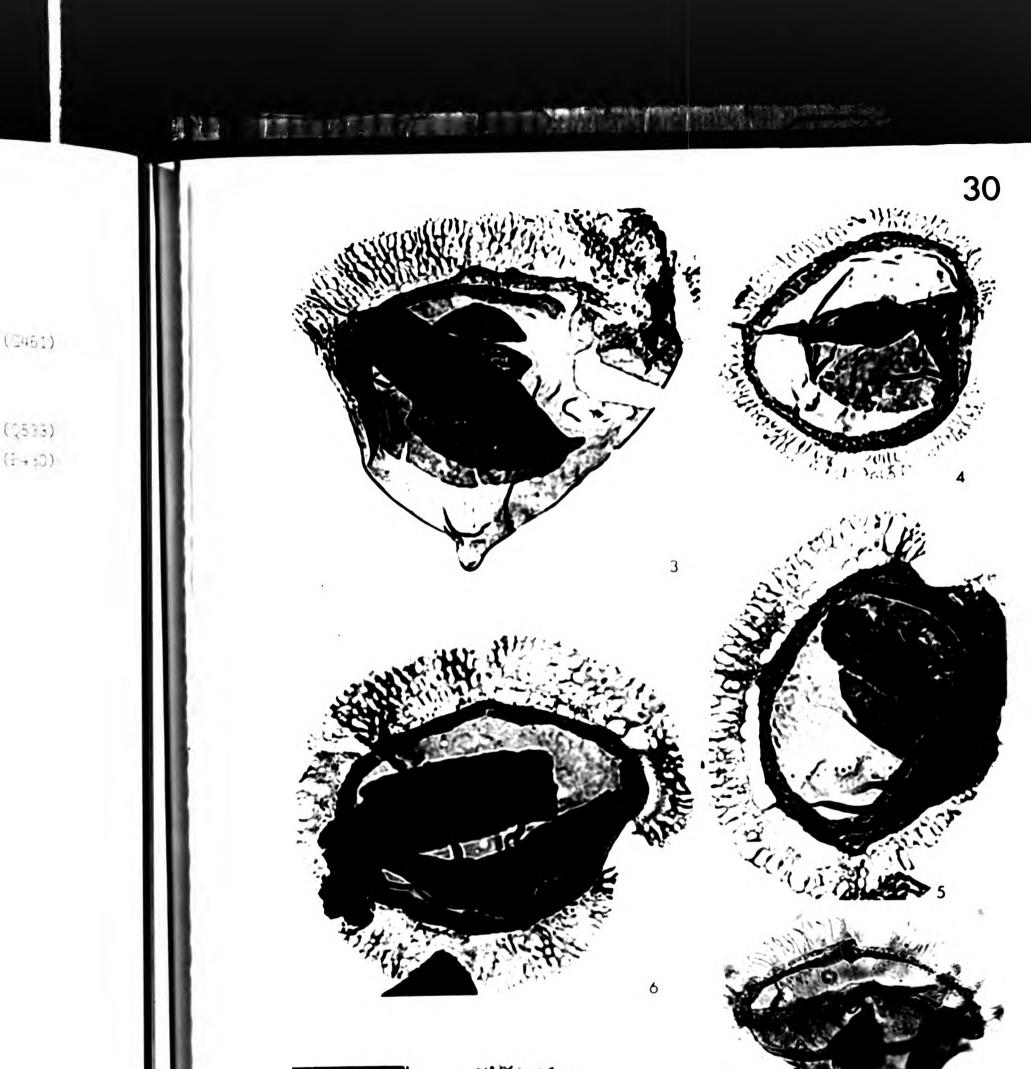
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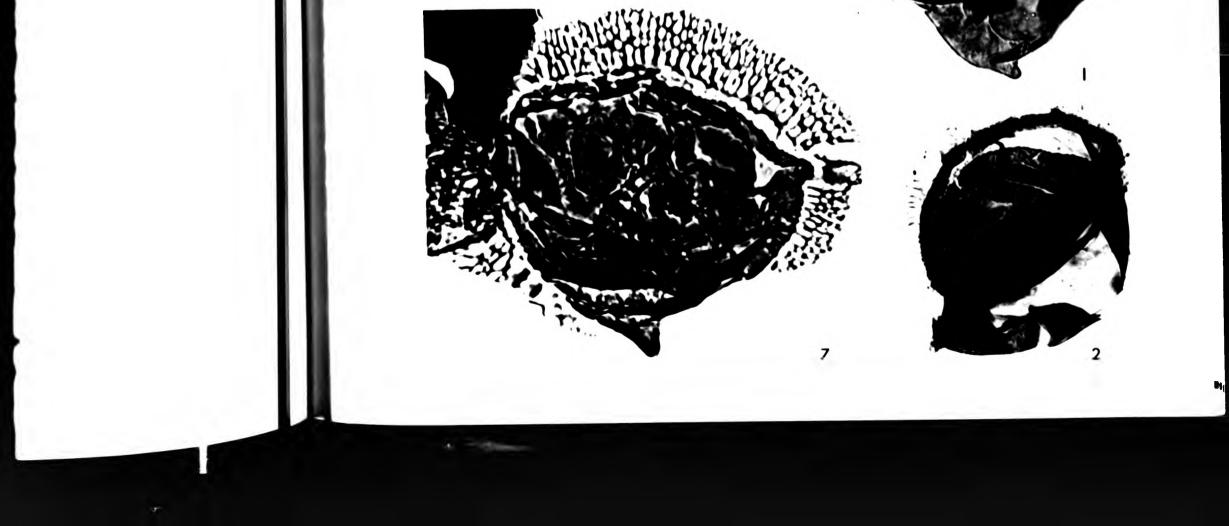
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- 3-7 Wanaea fimbriata Sarjeant, 1961a
  - 3. Br.753a; 145/1430 (0334)
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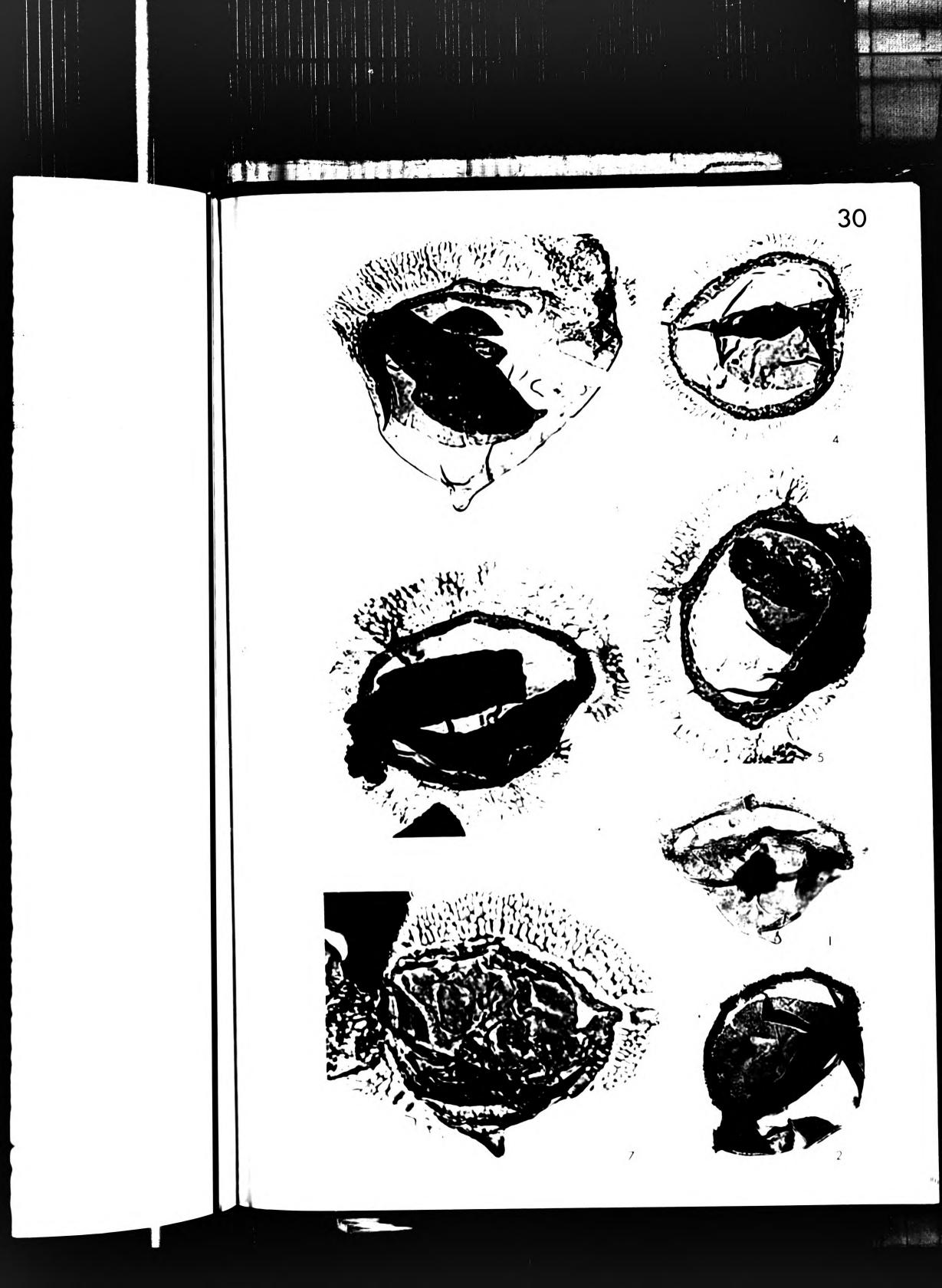




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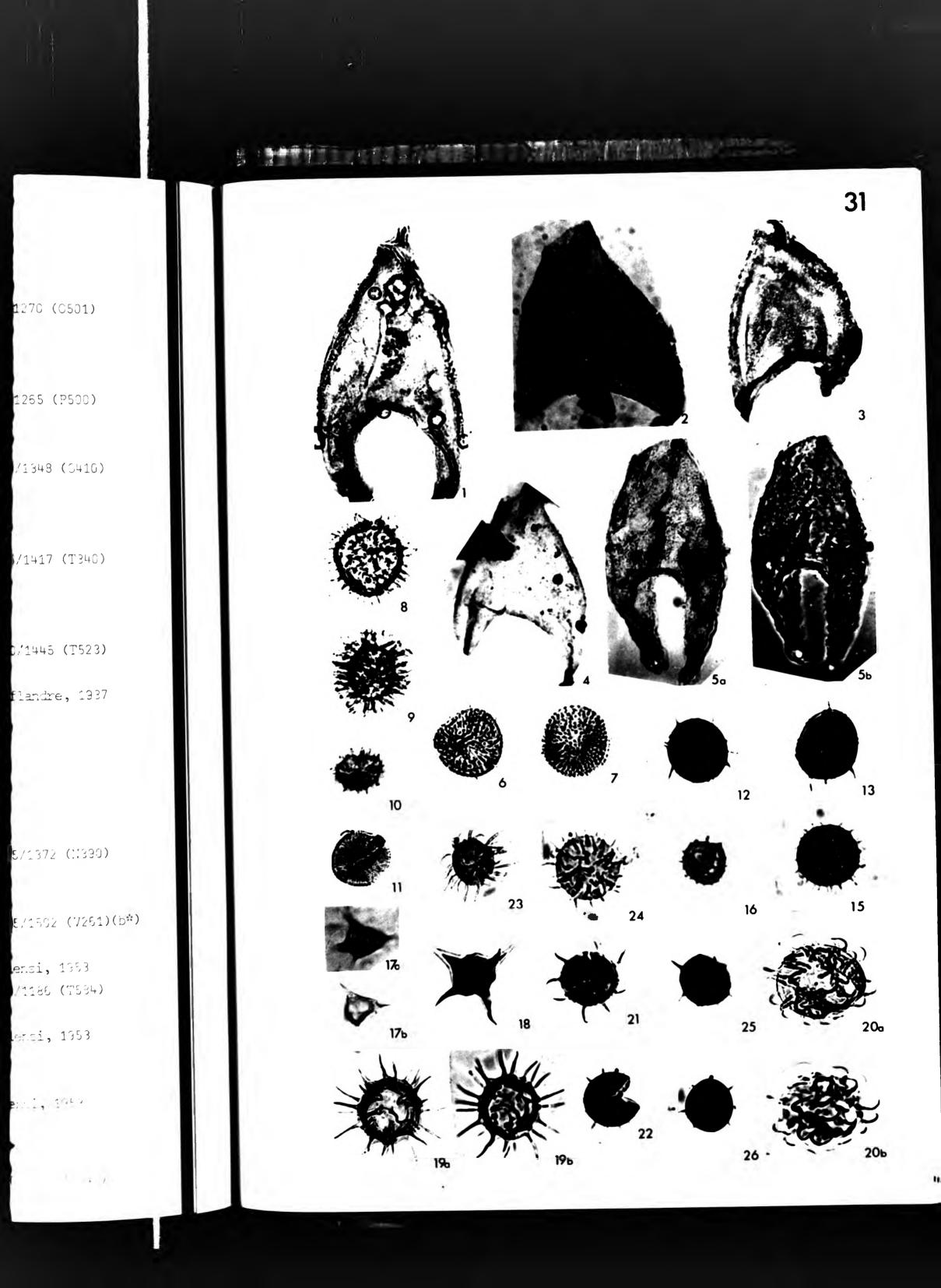


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- 17,18 Micrhystridium polyhedricum Valensi, 1948 18. Br.753a; 125/1372 (N390) 17. WB.228a; 132/1302 (N460)
- 19,20 Micrhystridium recurvatum Valensi, 1953 19. Br.947a; 220/1442 (W323)(b\*) 20. Br.605a; 205/1502 (V261)(b\*)

- 21,22 Micrhystridium recurvatum forma brevispinosa Valensi, 1953 22. WB.88a; 190/1186 (T584) 21. Br.727a; 175/1447 (R314)\*
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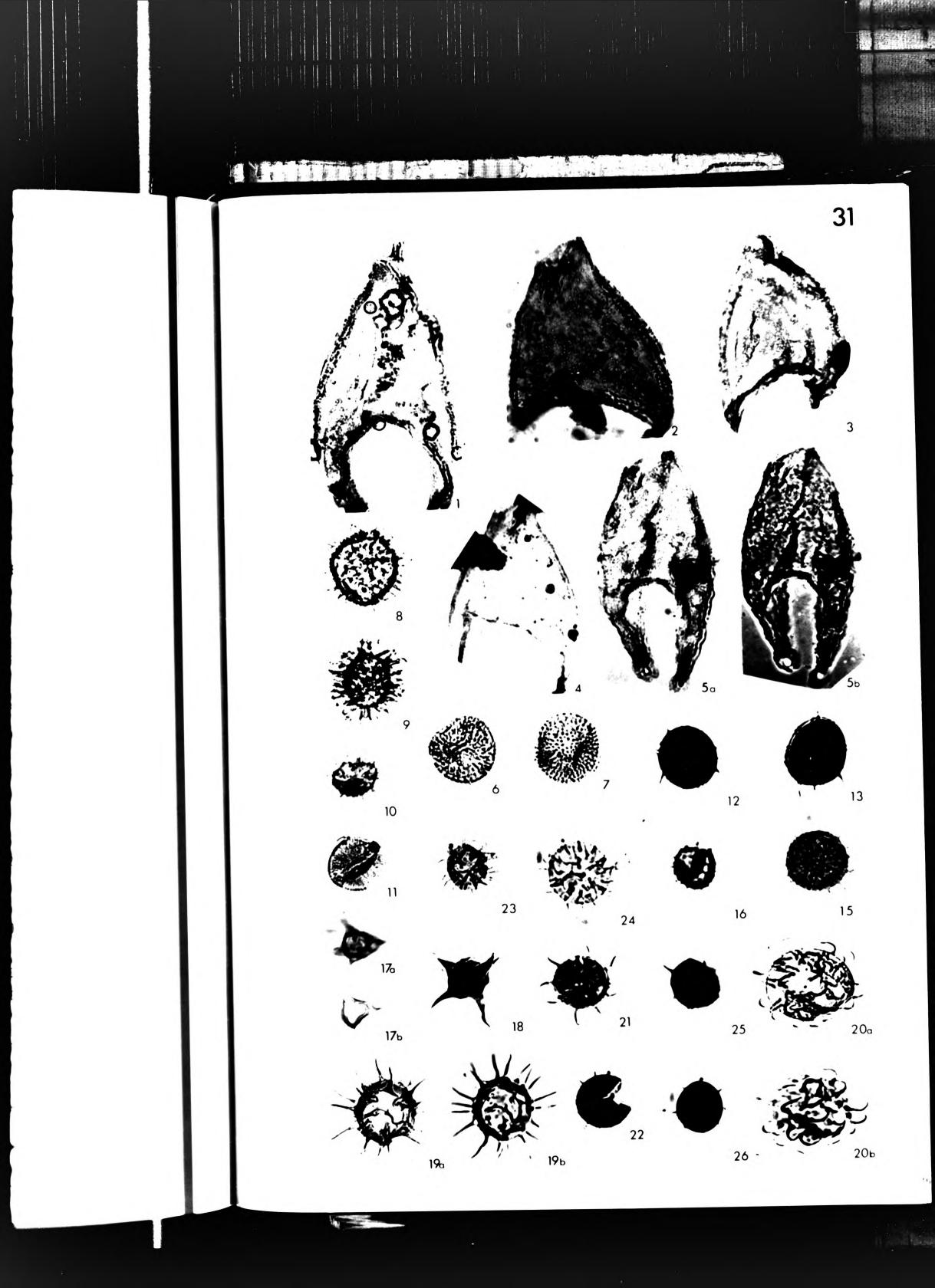


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	14. Br.947a; 185/1361 (S403) 15. Br.1450a; 180/1272 (S494)

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17. Br.727a; 055/1216 (E554) 19. Br.1155a; 080/1194 (H570)(b\*)

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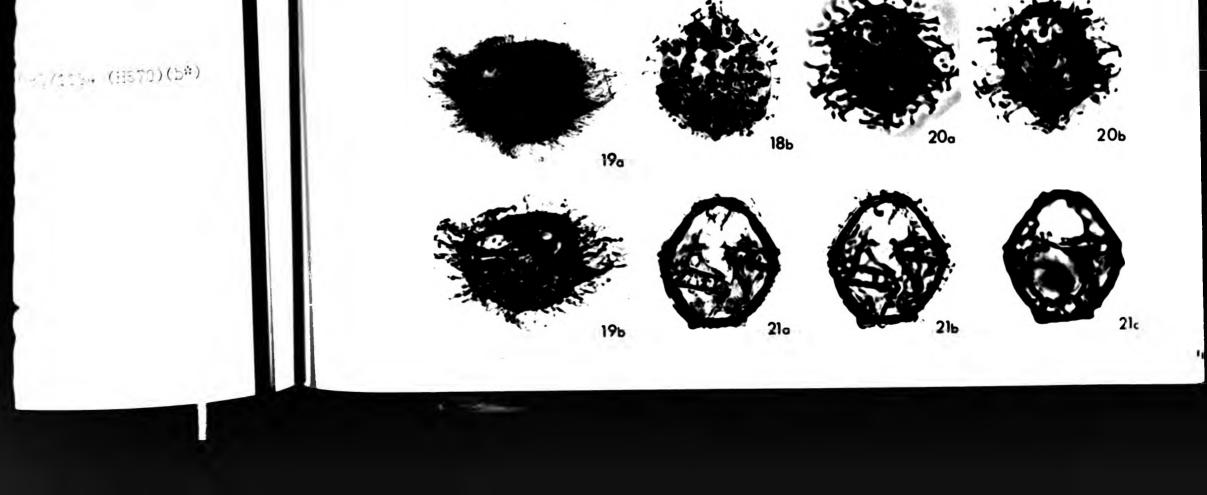
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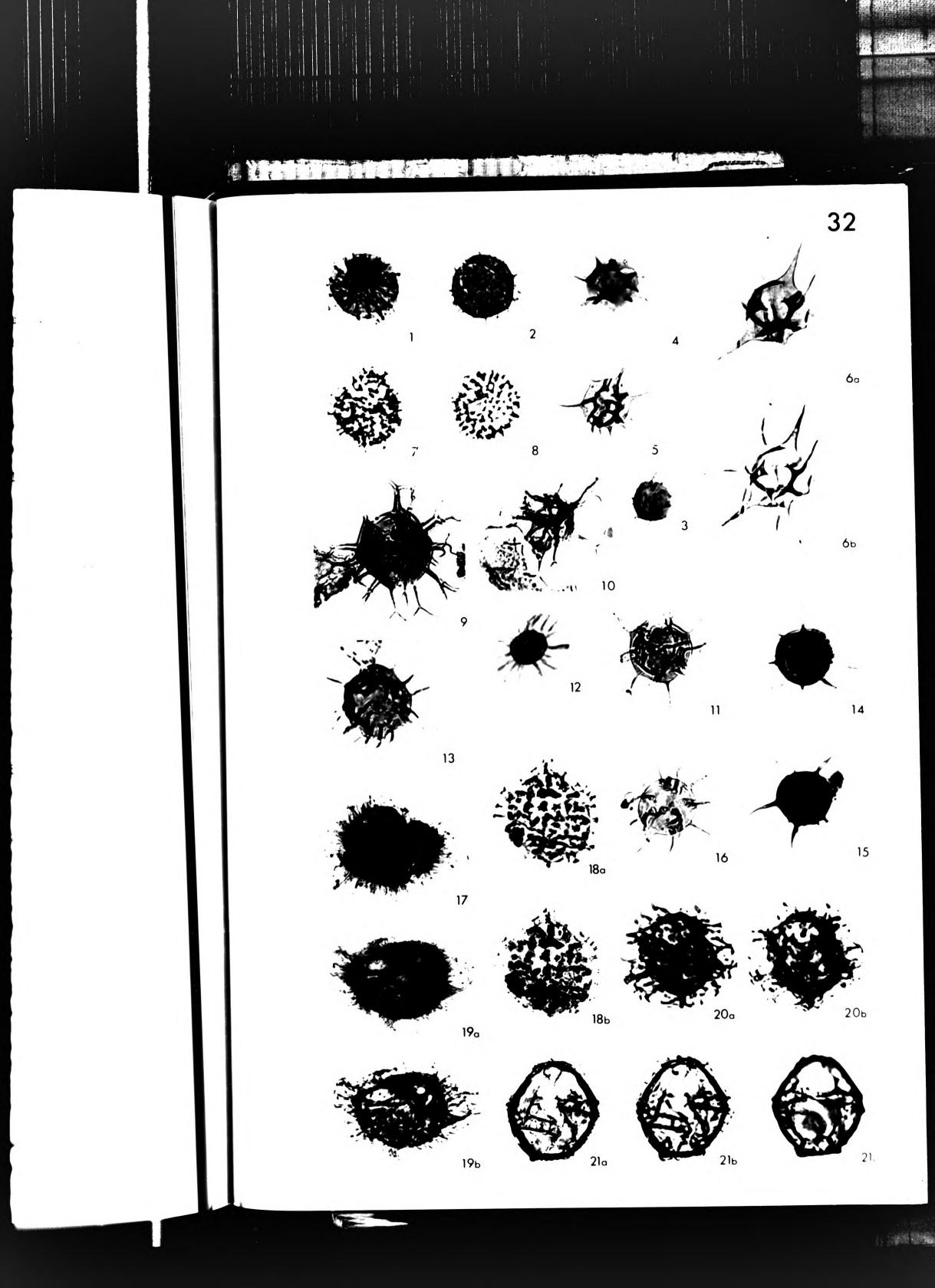
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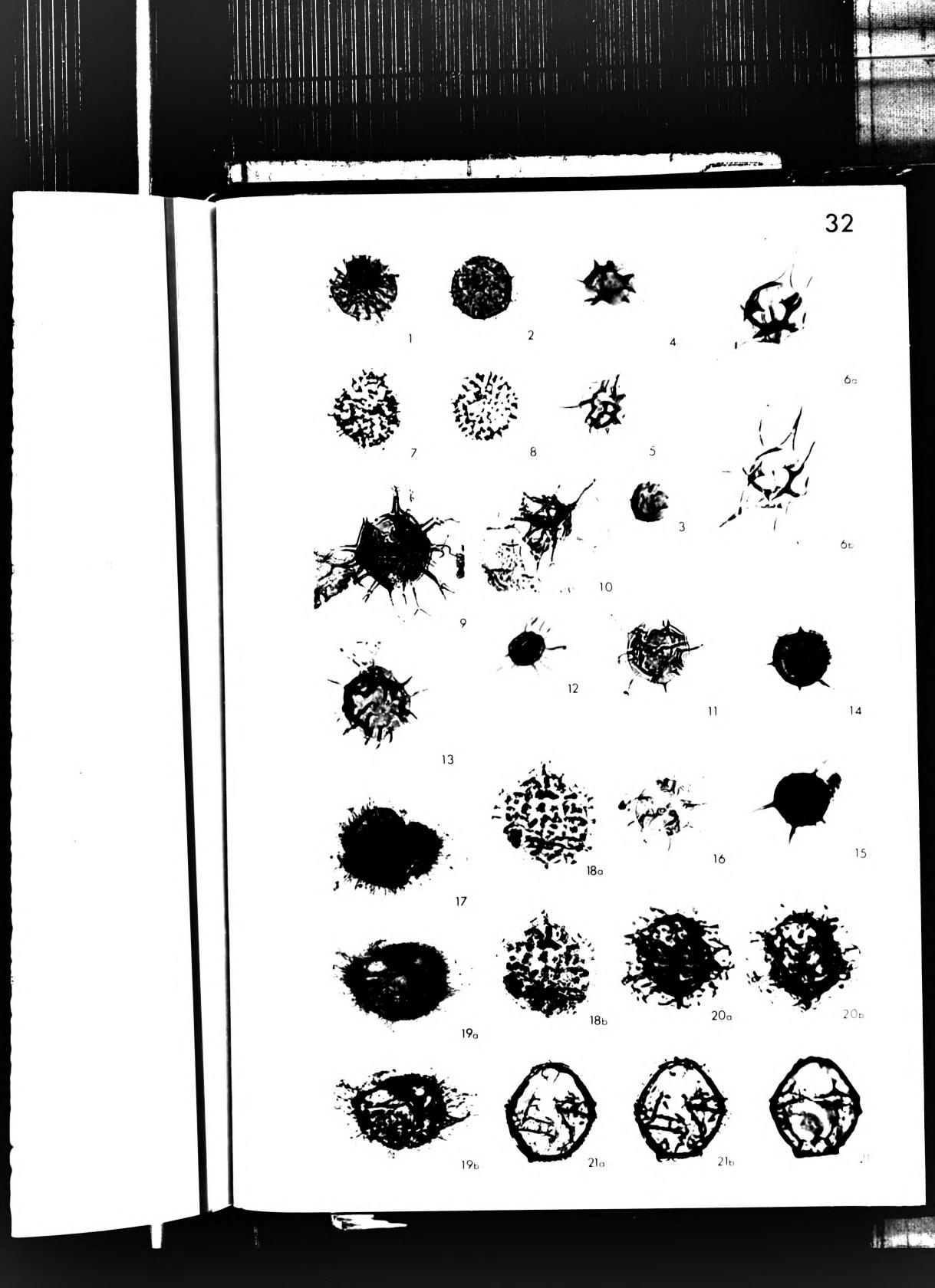
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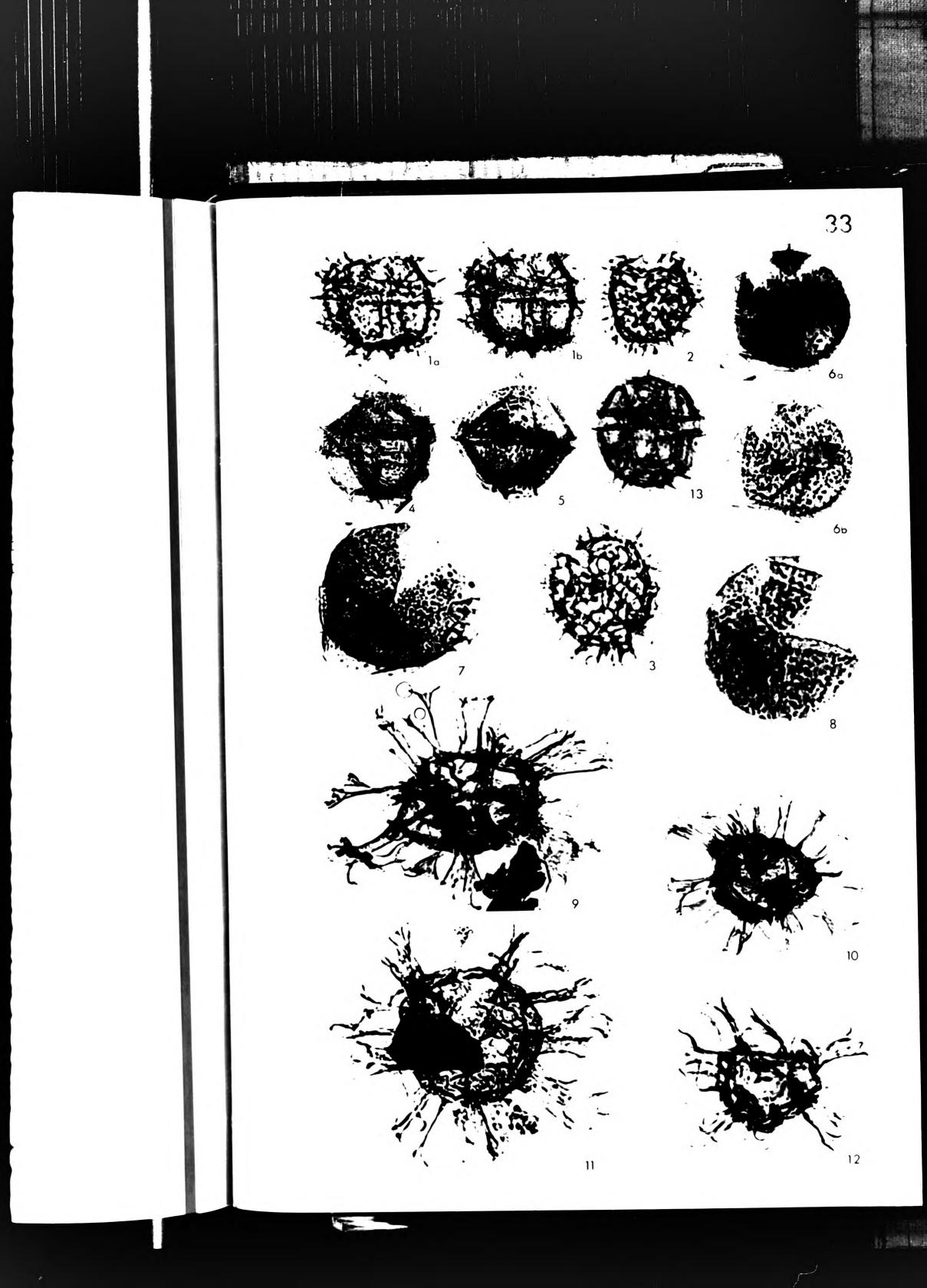
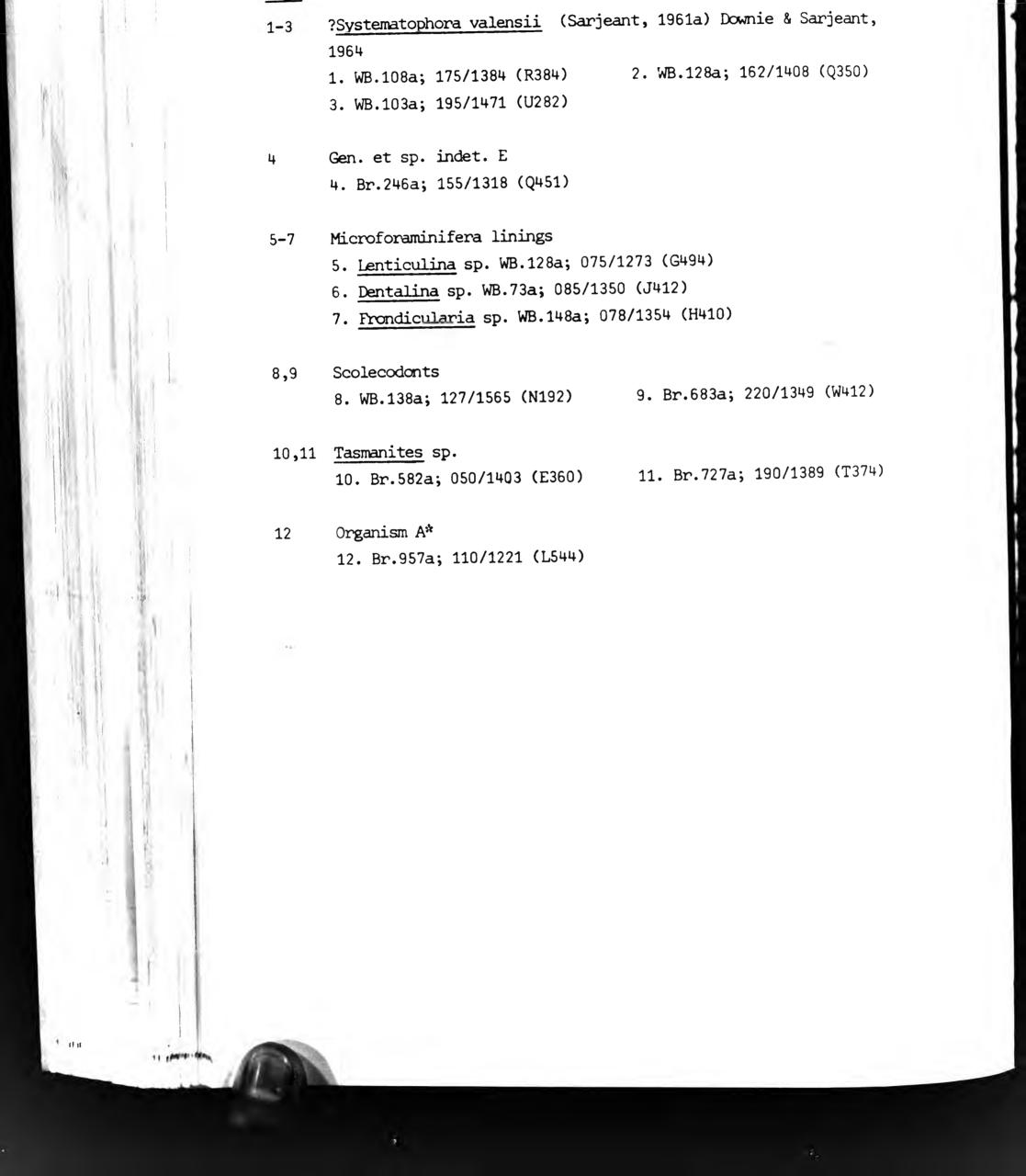
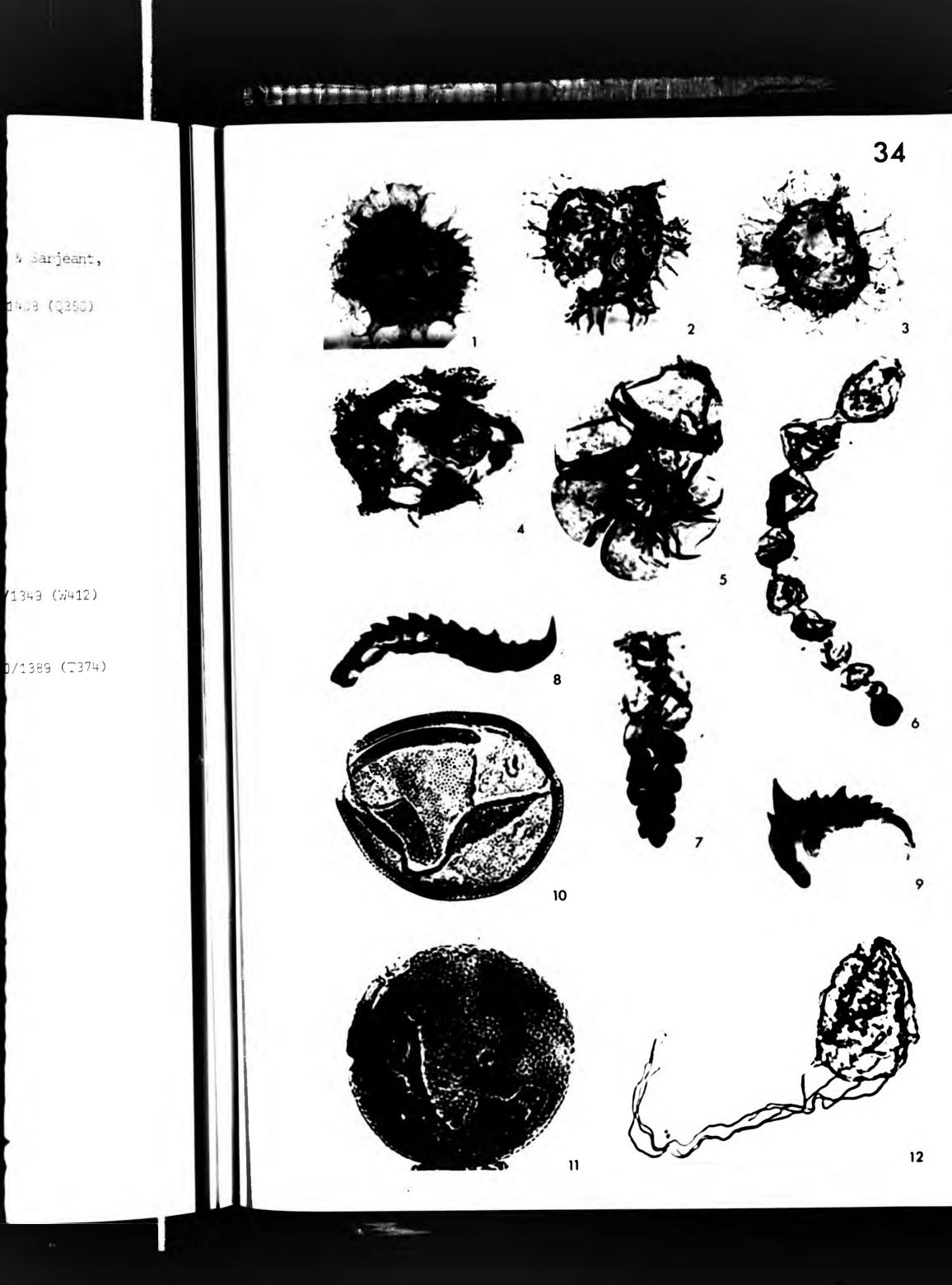


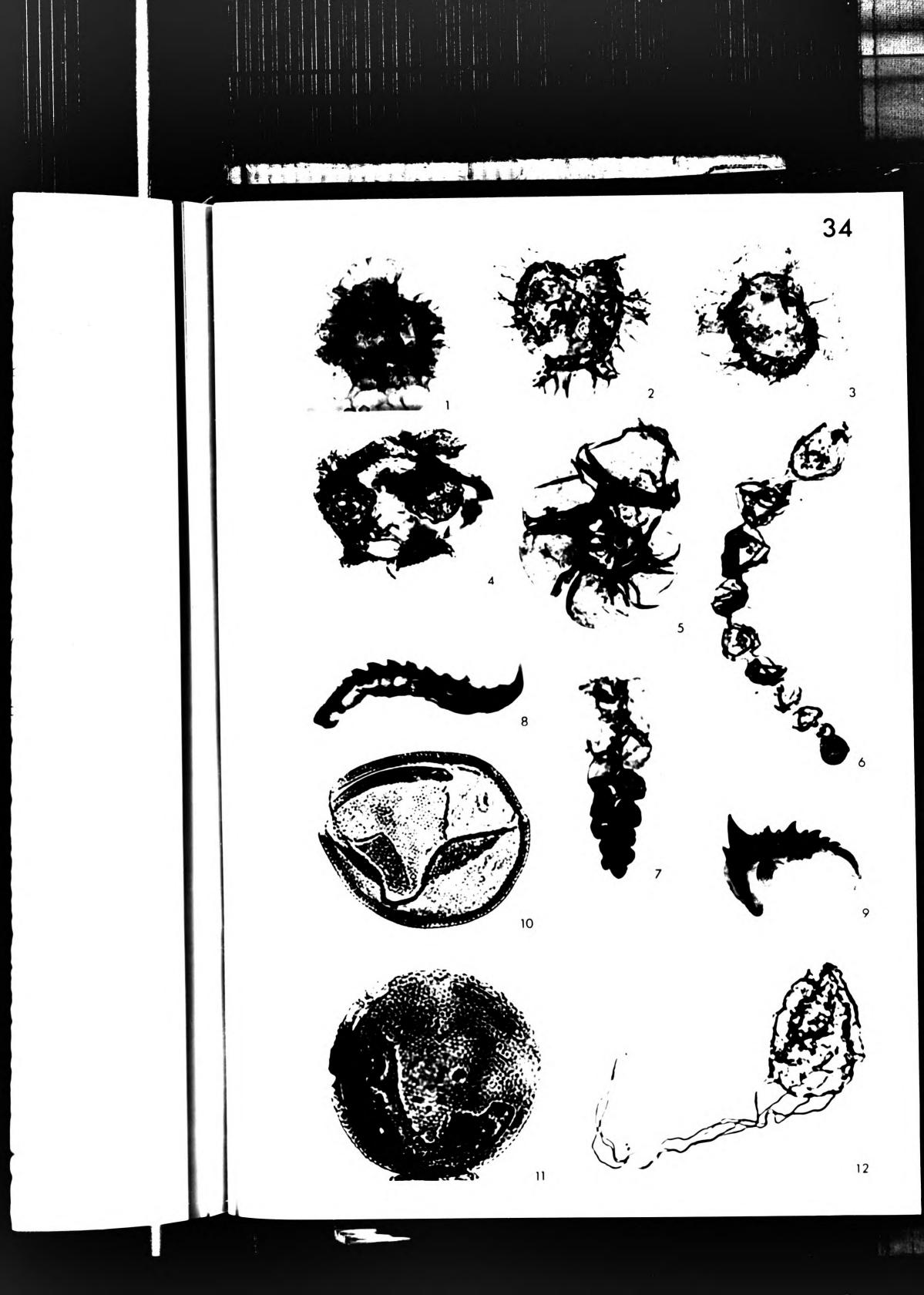
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