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## Order STROMATOPORELLIDA Stearn, 1980

[Stromatoporellida STEARN, 1980, p. 891]

Stromatoporoids with extensive, thick, prominent laminae, marked by an axial zone or zones (light or dark, ordinicellular, cellular, or tubulate) and short, generally simple pillars confined to an interlaminar space. *Silurian (Pridoli)–Upper Devonian (Famennian)*.

### Family STROMATOPORELLIDAE Lecompte, 1951

[Stromatoporellidae Lecompte, 1951 in 1951–1952, p. 152] [=Simplexodictyidae LESSOVAJA, 1972, p. 47; =Stictostromatidae KHALFINA & YAVORSKY, 1973, p. 26 [148]; =Diplostromatidae STEARN, 1980, p. 890; =Clathrocoilonidae BOGOYAVLENSKAYA, 1984, p. 73]

Genera of stromatoporellids with short pillars, not superposed from one interlaminar space to another. *Silurian (Wenlock)–Devonian (Frasnian, ?upper Famennian)*.

**Stromatoporella** NICHOLSON, 1886, p. 92 [\**Stromatopora granulata* NICHOLSON, 1873, p. 94; OD; =*Stromatopora (Coenostroma?) granulata* NICHOLSON & MURIE, 1878, p. 218–219, pl. 1; =*Stromatoporella granulata* NICHOLSON, 1886, p. 93; neotype, NHM P6021 (Nicholson No. 329), MELVILLE, 1982, p. 126] [=*Stictostromella* GALLOWAY & ST. JEAN in FRITZ & WAINES, 1956, p. 92 (no type specified, but *Stictostroma eriensis* PARKS, 1936, p. 81, implied), genus proposal withdrawn, p. 126; =*Pseudostictostroma* FLEROVA, 1969, p. 26 (type, *P. mitriiformis*, OD); =?*Cancellatodictyon* KHALFINA & YAVORSKY, 1971, p. 119 (type, *Stromatoporella granulata sensu* YAVORSKY, 1951, p. 14, SD KHALFINA & YAVORSKY, 1971, p. 119); =*Pseudostromatoporella* KAZMIERCZAK, 1971, p. 76 (type, *Stictostroma huronense* PARKS, 1936, p. 83, OD)]. Extensive, thick laminae and short pillars confined to interlaminar space, not superposed, many formed by upward inflection of laminae into cones (ring pillars), others simple, spool-shaped posts; microstructure of laminae ordinicellular but appearing in various states of preservation as transversely porous, tripartite, cellular, tubulate, or fibrous. Pillars cellular to fibrous. [The wide range of microstructures shown by the laminae may be partially accounted for by diagenesis but is likely also to be influenced by original variation.

Controversy over the definition of the genus has focused on the correlation, or lack of it, between the ring pillars and the microstructures. Summaries of these discussions can be found in the work of ST. JEAN (1962, 1977), STEARN (1966), KAZMIERCZAK (1971), and MISTIAEN (1985).] *Lower Devonian (Pragian)–Upper Devonian (Frasnian)*: Australia (Victoria), Czech Republic (Bohemia), *Pragian*; Afghanistan, Australia (Queensland), Canada (Arctic Island, Ontario), Russia (Salair), USA (Kentucky), *Emsian–Eifelian*; Belgium, Canada (Ontario, Manitoba), China (Sichuan), Germany (Eifel), Russia (Altai–Salair, Kuznetsk Basin), Spain (Calabria), USA (Indiana, Kentucky), *Eifelian*; Canada (Ontario), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin, Tyrgan), USA (Michigan), Ukraine, *Givetian*; Belgium (Ardennes), Kazakhstan, Poland, *Frasnian*; England (Devon), Germany (Buechel), Mongolia, Russia (Kuznetsk Basin, Urals), USA (Missouri, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan), *Middle Devonian*.—FIG. 1a–d. \**S. granulata* (NICHOLSON), Hamilton Formation, Arkona, Ontario, holotype, NHM P6021; a, longitudinal section, Nicholson slide 329b, ×10; b, tangential section showing ring pillars, Nicholson slide 329, ×10; c, tangential section, Nicholson slide 329a, showing cellular nature of pillars, ×70; d, longitudinal section, Nicholson slide 329c, showing ordinicellular laminae, ×60 (new).—FIG. 1e. *S. perannulata* GALLOWAY & ST. JEAN, Blue Fiord Formation, Ellesmere Island, arctic Canada, GSC no. 108175, tangential section showing ring pillars, ×10 (Prosh & Stearn, 1996).

**Clathrocoilona** YAVORSKY, 1931, p. 1394 [\**C. abeona*; OD; holotype, CNIGR 3338/8a,b (KOSAREVA, 1976)]. Laminae extensive, thick (of thickness comparable to gallery height) of tripartite, ordinicellular, microreticulate or tubulate microstructure. Pillars postlike, commonly spool shaped, confined to interlaminar spaces, not superposed, compact or obscurely cellular. Commonly irregular, incrusting in growth, with algal interlayers. [The laminae may appear to be stranded, showing less opaque zones. Several layers of cellules in the laminae may give the appearance of microreticulation. In tangential section, the thick skeletal material may appear to be tubulate (described as felted by KOSAREVA, 1976). The genus has been confused with *Synthetostroma*, but in this genus the pillars are well superposed.] *Lower Devonian (?Emsian), Middle Devonian (Eifelian)–Upper Devonian (Frasnian)*: Austria (Carnic Alps), Canada (Arctic Island), Russia (northeastern Siberia, Salair), ?*Emsian*; Belgium (Ardennes), Canada (Arctic Island, Manitoba), Central Asia (Altai), Germany (Eifel), Russia

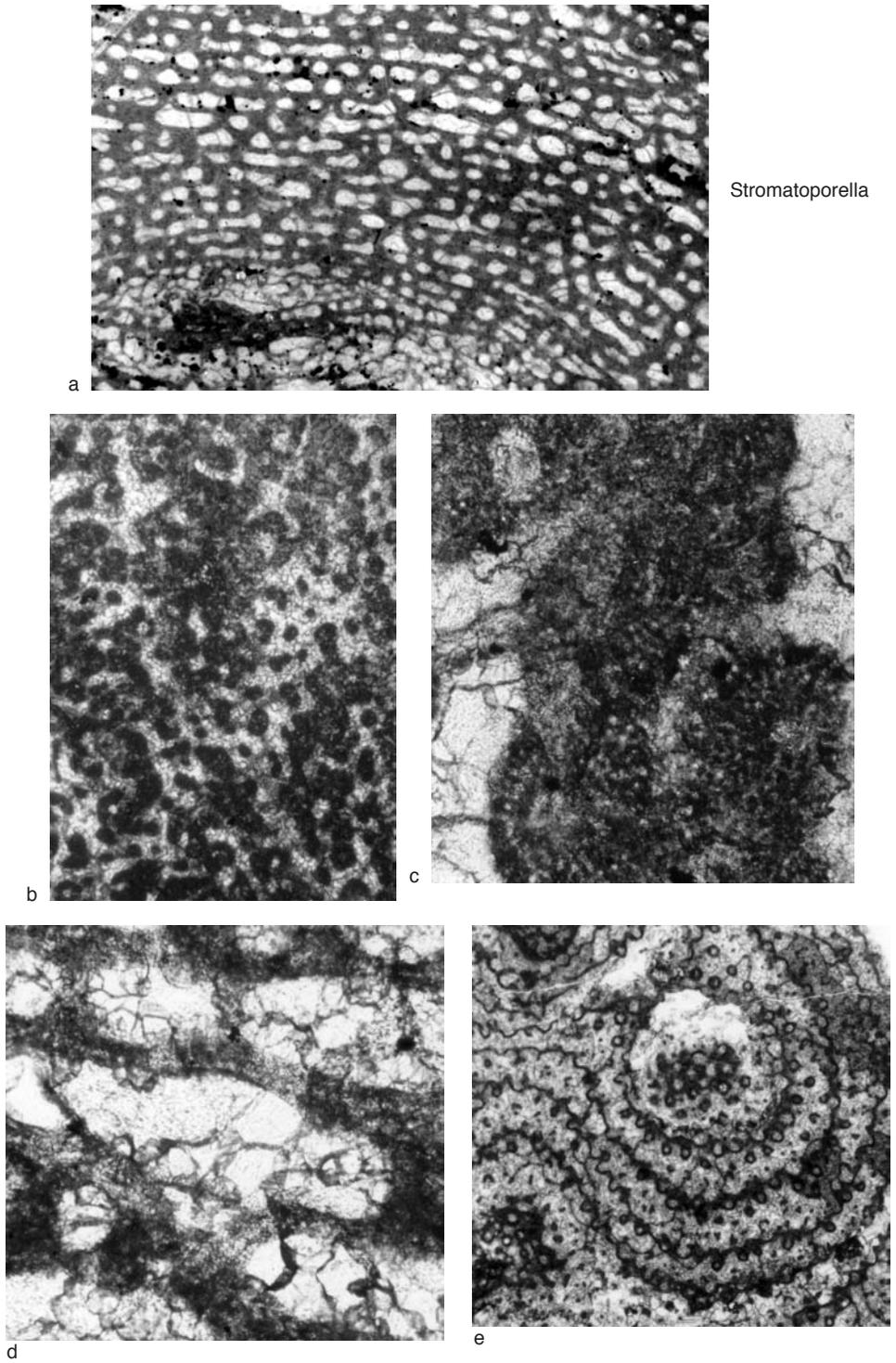
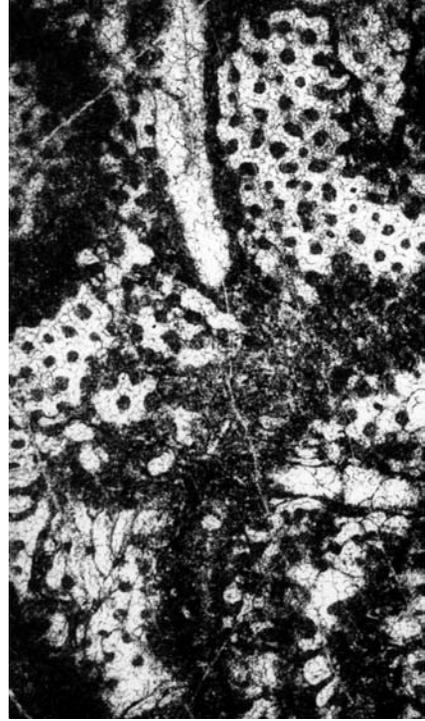


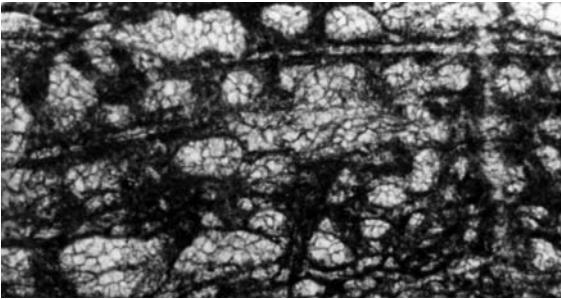
FIG. 1. Stromatoporellidae (p. 1).



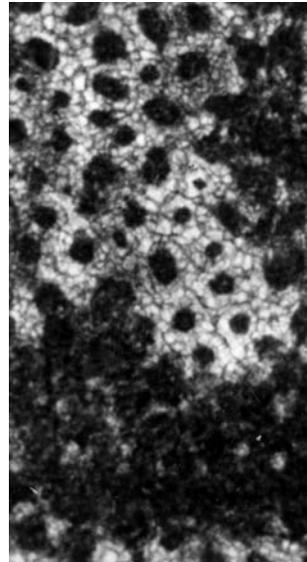
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Clathrocoilona

FIG. 2. Stromatoporellidae (p. 1-4).

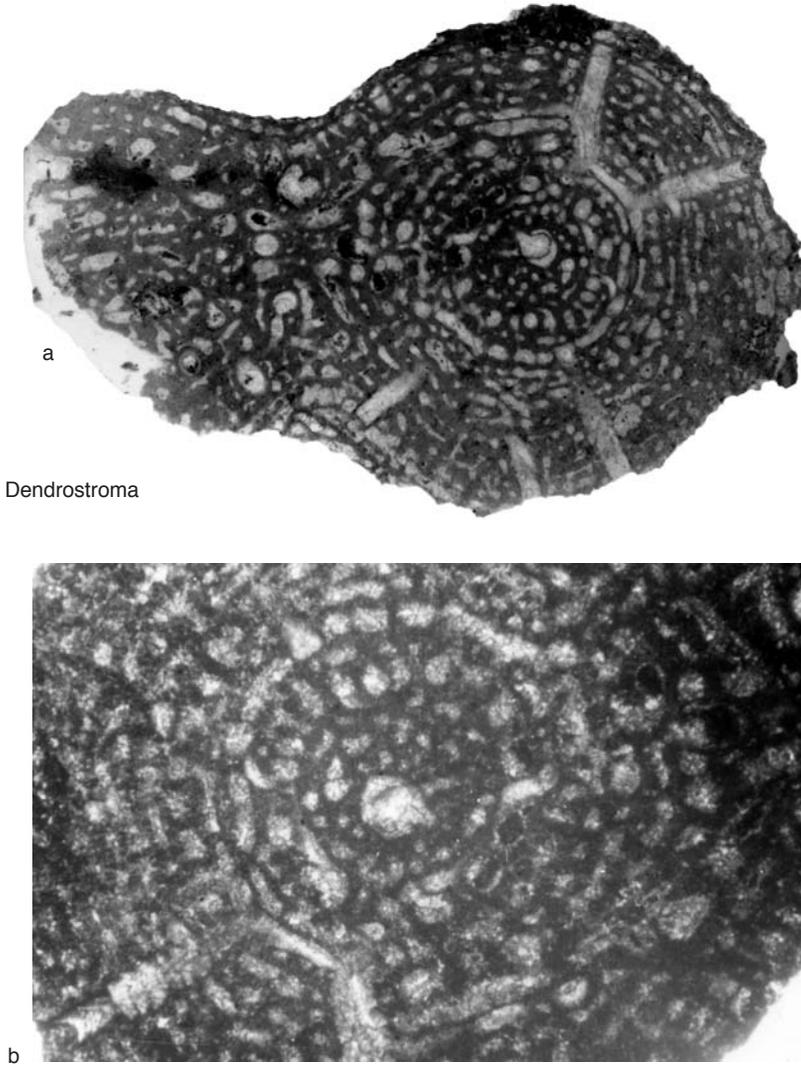


FIG. 3. Stomatoporellidae (p. 4–5).

(northeastern Siberia, Salair), *Eifelian*; Belgium (Ardennes), Canada (northern Alberta, Manitoba), Czech Republic (Moravia), France (Boulonnais), Iran (central), USA (Indiana, Michigan), *Givetian*; Australia (Queensland), China (Guangxi, Sichuan), Czech Republic (Moravia), Germany (Eifel), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin, northeastern Siberia, Salair), *Middle Devonian*; Australia (Canning Basin), Belgium (Ardennes), Canada (Alberta, Manitoba), Czech Republic (Moravia), France (Boulonnais), Russia (Russian platform, Kuznetsk Basin), USA (Iowa), *Frasnian*.—FIG. 2*a–d*. \**C. abeona*, Middle Devonian, Kuznetsk Basin, Russia, holotype, CNIGR 3338/8; *a*, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$ ; *b*, tangential section,  $\times 10$ ; *c*, longitudinal

section showing thick, tripartite laminae,  $\times 25$ ; *d*, tangential section showing round pillars,  $\times 25$  (Nestor, new).

**Dendrostroma** LECOMPTE, 1952 in 1951–1952, p. 320–321 [*\*Idiostroma oculatum* NICHOLSON, 1886, p. 101; OD; holotype, NHM P6073 (Nicholson No. 403)]. Dendroid skeleton with axial tube; laminae distinct, thick, extensive, compact to fibrous, commonly obscurely tripartite with axial dark or light zone; pillars postlike, confined to interlaminar spaces, not superposed, compact to fibrous. *Lower Devonian (Pragian)*–*Upper Devonian (Frasnian, ?upper Famennian)*: Australia (?Victoria), *Pragian*; Canada (Manitoba), Czech Republic, France (Boulonnais), Germany (Eifel), Russia

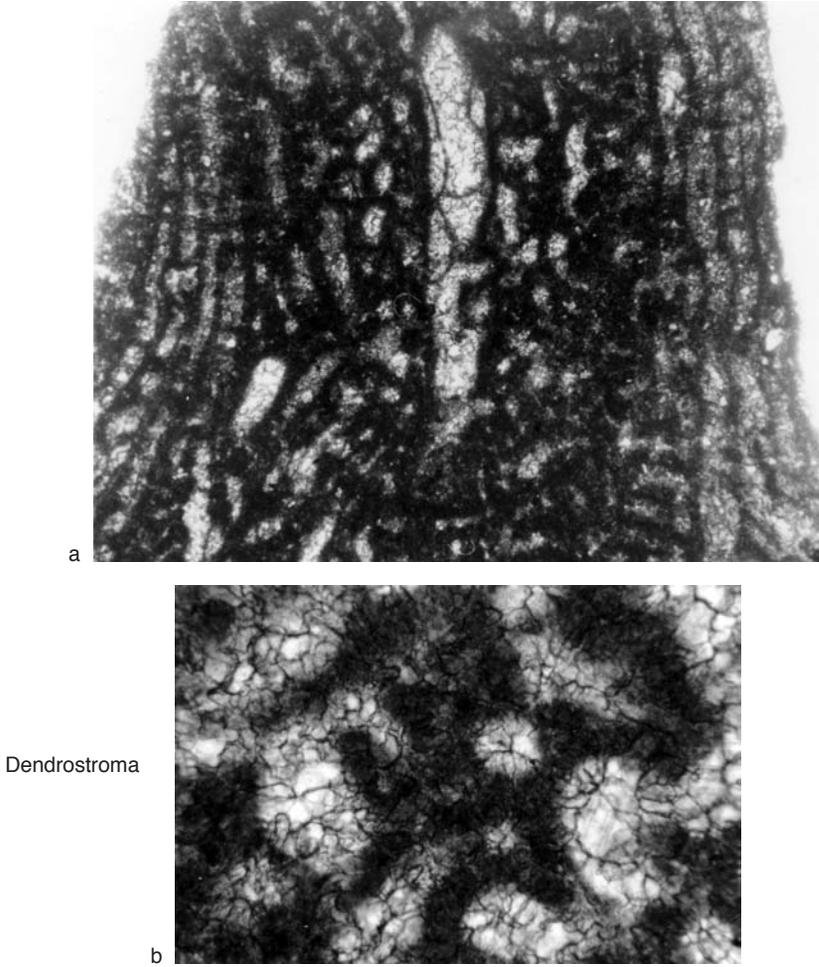


FIG. 4. Stromatoporellidae (p. 4–5).

(northeastern Siberia), USA (Michigan), *Givetian*; Germany (Eifel), India (Himalaya), Russia (Urals), Vietnam, *Middle Devonian*; Australia (Canning Basin, Carnarvon Basin), Czech Republic, Iran (Kerman), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin), *Frasnian*; ?Kazakhstan, Russia (?Donetsk Basin), ?*upper Famennian*.—FIG. 3*a–b*. \**D. oculatum* (NICHOLSON), Middle Devonian, Buechel, Germany, holotype, NHM P6073; *a*, complete transverse section of dendroid skeleton showing central and radiating canals and continuous laminae,  $\times 6$ ; *b*, transverse section of columnar skeleton showing short pillars,  $\times 10$  (new).—FIG. 4*a–b*. \**D. oculatum* (NICHOLSON), Middle Devonian, Büchel, Germany, holotype, NHM P6073; *a*, longitudinal axial section showing axial canal with tabulae,  $\times 10$ ; *b*, tangential section showing fibrous microstructure,  $\times 50$  (new).

**Simplexodictyon** BOGOYAVLENSKAYA, 1965b, p. 110 [*\*Clathrodictyon regulare* var. nov. YAVORSKY, 1929, p. 83; OD; CNIGR 2595/30(6); = *C. regulare podolica* YAVORSKY, 1955, p. 43; see STEARN, 1991, for full discussion of the type. Although some authors have attributed the varietal name *podolica* to YAVORSKY, 1929, it was not formally proposed until 1955] [= *Diplostroma* NESTOR, 1966, p. 27–28 (type, *Clathrodictyon pseudobilaminatum* KHALFINA, 1961a, p. 47); = *Nuratadictyon* LESSOVAJA, 1972, p. 48 (type, *N. duplexolaminum*, OD)]. Laminae extensive, composed of two compact layers separated (in the same skeleton) by either or all of 1) spar cement, 2) sediment, 3) epibionts, 4) a line of cellules; or fused into a single layer. Pillars compact, simple, postlike, commonly incomplete or oblique. *Silurian* (*Wenlock*)–*Middle Devonian* (*Eifelian*): Estonia (Saaremaa), Russia (Moiero River, Siberian

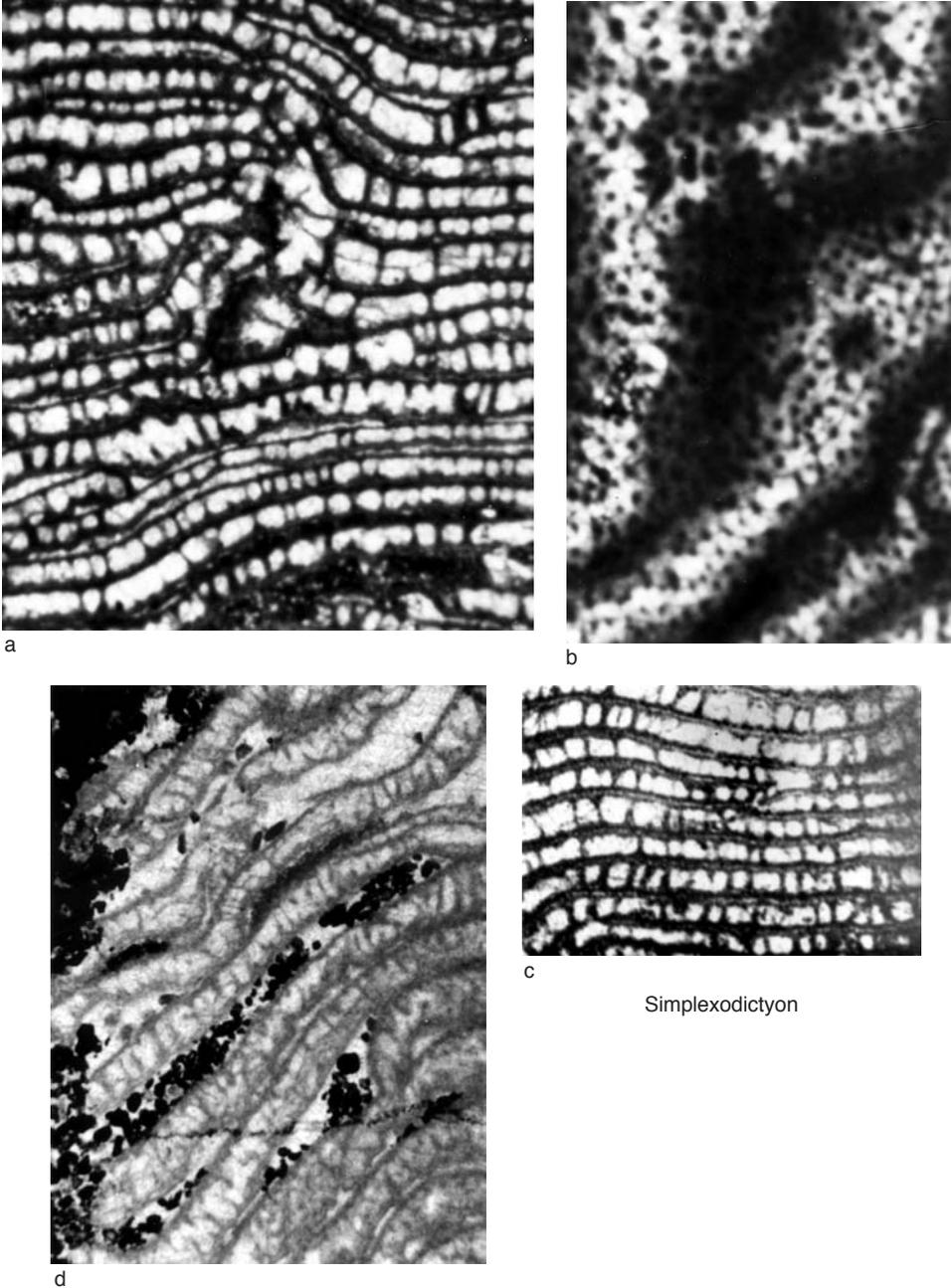


FIG. 5. Stomatoporellidae (p. 5–7).

platform), USA (Kentucky), *Wenlock*; Australia (Queensland), Central Asia (Tien Shan), Estonia, Russia (Salaïr, Altai), Ukraine (Podolia), *Ludlow*; Australia (Victoria, northern Queensland), *Emsian*; Canada (Arctic Island, Yukon), *Eifelian*.—FIG. 5*a–c*. \**S. podolicum* (YAVORSKY), holotype, Ludlow,

Smotrich River, Ukraine; *a*, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$ ; *b*, topotype, tangential section,  $\times 10$  (Nestor, new); *c*, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$  (Yavorsky, 1929).—FIG. 5*d*. *S. vermiformis* (STEARNS & MEHROTRA, 1970), Eifelian, Blue Fiord Formation, Cameron Island, Canada, GSC 116284,

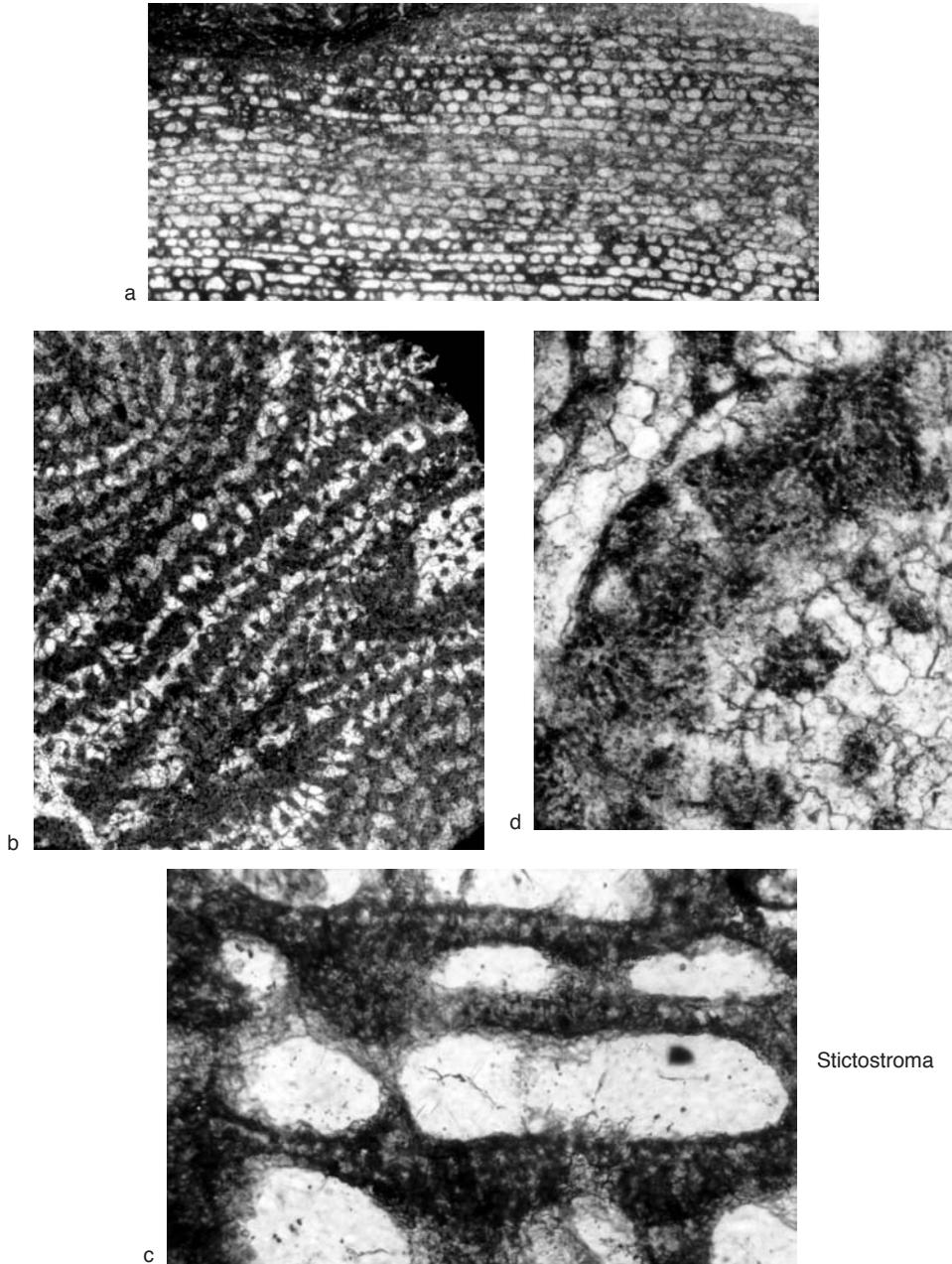


FIG. 6. Stromatoporellidae (p. 7–9).

longitudinal section, showing separated laminae,  $\times 10$  (new).

**Stictostroma** PARKS, 1936, p. 78 [\**Stromatopora mammillata* NICHOLSON, 1873, p. 94; OD; non SCHMIDT, 1858; holotype, ROM 9360; =*Stromatopora mamilliferum* GALLOWAY & ST. JEAN, 1957, p.

125; =*Stictostroma gorriense* STEARN, 1995a, p. 26, designated the type in a ruling by ICZN (1996). The type specimen that PARKS (1936) designated as *Stromatopora mammillata* NICHOLSON, 1873, and renamed *S. mamilliferum* GALLOWAY & ST. JEAN by GALLOWAY and ST. JEAN (1957) to avoid homonymy,

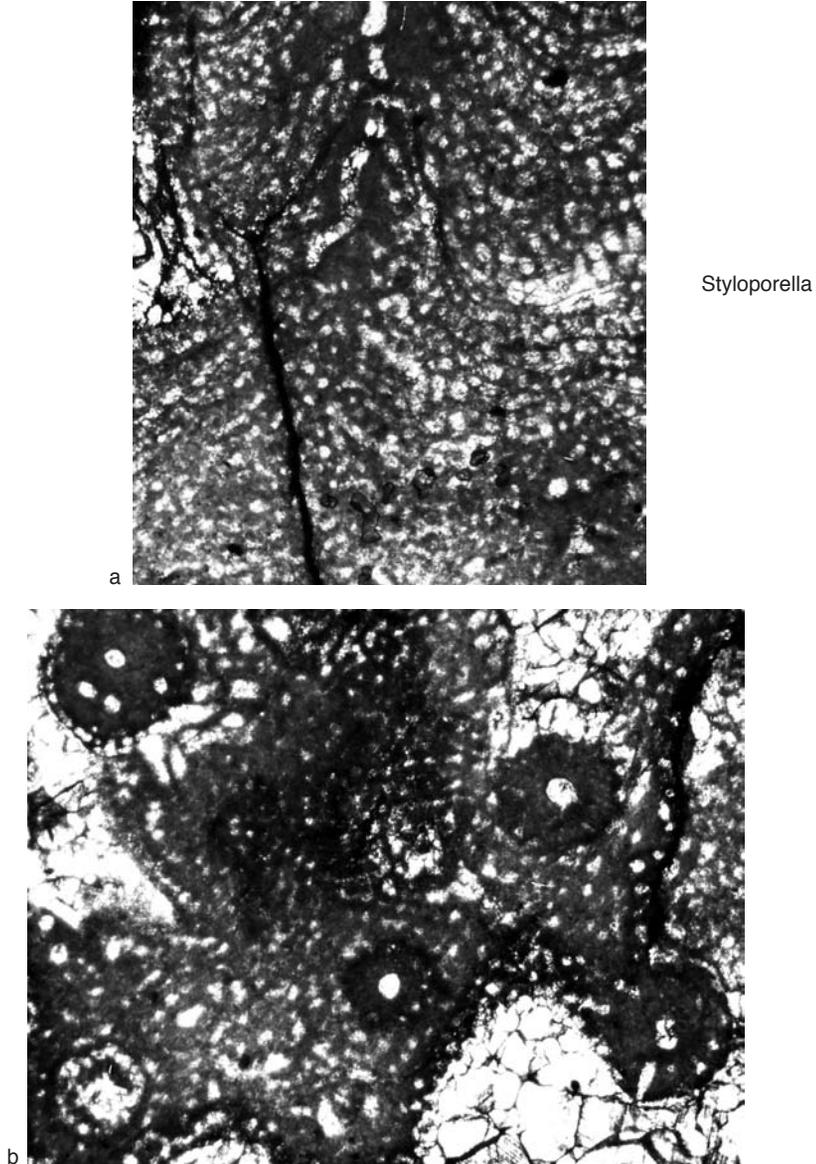


FIG. 7. Stromatoporellidae (p. 9).

had unknown internal structure, because NICHOLSON'S (1873) types were not sectioned. PARKS'S (1936) descriptions were based on specimens from Gorrie, Ontario, recognized as holotypes by ICZN Opinion 1843, Case 2109 (1996), because NICHOLSON'S (1873) specimens, when sectioned, were indeterminate in diagnostic internal structure]. Laminae thick, extensive, ordinicellular in microstructure but commonly appearing transversely porous, tripartite, fibrous, rarely tubulate; pillars confined to interlam-

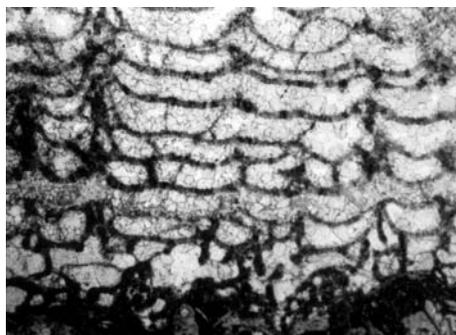
inar spaces, not systematically superposed, postlike, only rarely ring pillars, cellular where best preserved, commonly fibrous. *Lower Devonian (Pragian)–Upper Devonian (Frasnian)*: Czech Republic (Bohemia), *Pragian*; Australia (Victoria), Canada (Arctic Island, Northwest Territories, Ontario), New Zealand (Reefton), *Emsian*; Australia (Queensland), Belgium (Ardennes), Canada (Manitoba, Ontario), Czech Republic, western Germany (western), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin, Salair), USA (Michigan, Ohio),

*Eifelian*; Afghanistan, Belgium (Ardennes), Canada (British Columbia, Ontario), France (Boulonnais), Germany (Sauerland), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin), USA (Missouri), *Givetian*; Canada (northern Ontario), China (Guangxi), Russia (Omolov, Kuznetsk Basin, Urals), USA (Missouri), Vietnam, *Middle Devonian*; Belgium (Ardennes), Canada (Alberta), China (Xizang), France (Boulonnais), Iran (Kerman), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin), USA (Iowa), *Frasnian*.—FIG. 6a–d. \**S. gorriense* STEARN, holotype, ROM 9360, Bois Blanc Formation, Gorrie, Ontario; a, longitudinal section 2149,  $\times 10$ ; b, tangential section 2152,  $\times 10$ ; c, longitudinal section 2151, showing microstructure of laminae,  $\times 55$ ; d, tangential section 2150, showing microstructure of pillars,  $\times 55$  (new).

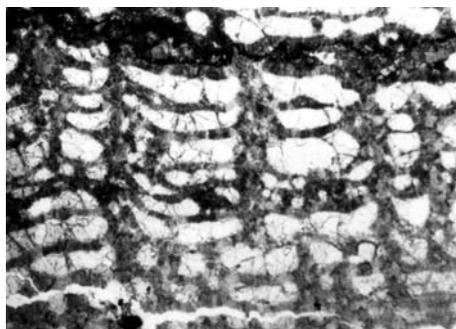
**Styloporella** KHALFINA, 1956, p. 62 (as subgenus of *Stromatoporella*, elevated to generic rank by KHALFINA, 1961b, p. 338) [\**Stromatoporella* (*Styloporella*) *grata* KHALFINA, 1956, p. 62; OD; holotype, SOAN 402/67b]. Similar to *Stromatoporella* but with structural elements thickened into astrorhizal columns with prominent axial canals where laminae inflected upward. *Upper Devonian* (*Frasnian*): Russia (Kuznetsk Basin, eastern Siberia).—FIG. 7a–b. \**S. grata*, holotype, SOAN 402/67b, Kuznetsk Basin; a, longitudinal section showing column with axial canal,  $\times 10$ ; b, tangential section showing cross sections of columns,  $\times 10$  (Nestor, new).

**Syringodictyon** ST. JEAN, 1986, p. 1050 [\**Stromatopora tuberculata* NICHOLSON, 1873, p. 92–93; OD; NHM P5627 (type specimen never illustrated in thin section)]. Laminae extensive, thick, inflected upward in invaginating cones into vertically extensive columns with narrow openings. Pillars formed by superposition of upward extensions of laminae, other pillars scarce. [The difference between *Syringodictyon* and *Tubuliporella* is in the size and nature of the vertical tubes formed by the upwardly inflected laminae—small and formed of invaginating cones in the former, and large and continuous in the latter—and in the absence of ring pillars between the columns in the former.] *Middle Devonian* (*lower Eifelian*): Canada (southern Ontario).—FIG. 8a–c. \**S. tuberculatum* (NICHOLSON), topotypes, Onondaga Formation, Empire Beach; a, longitudinal section showing columns of skeletal material, topotype, YPM222128; b, longitudinal section, showing inverted cones of laminae inflected into columns, topotype, YPM222129; c, tangential section showing cross sections of columns and lack of other pillars, topotype, YPM222128,  $\times 10$  (St. Jean, 1986).

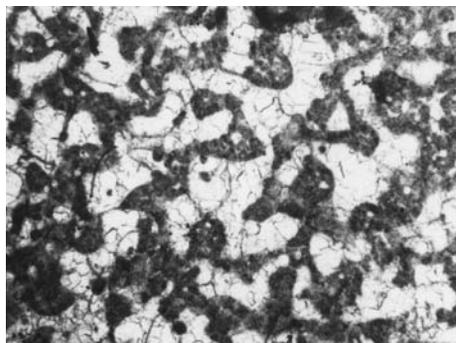
**Tubuliporella** KHALFINA, 1968, p. 150 [\**T. lecompti*; OD (as *T. lecomti*, *lapsus calami*)]. Similar to *Stromatoporella*, but some ring pillars superposed, forming vertical open channels crossed by thin dissepiments. *Lower Devonian–Middle Devonian* (*Eifelian*): Russia (Altai), *Lower Devonian*; Australia (Victoria), *Pragian*; Russia (Kuznetsk Basin, Altai, Salair), *Eifelian*.—FIG. 9a–c. \**T. lecompti*, holotype, CSGM409/3a, Salair, Eifelian, Shandinskii Stage; a, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$ ; b, tangential section,  $\times 10$ ; c, tangential section through a mamelon,  $\times 10$  (Khalфина, 1968).



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Syringodictyon

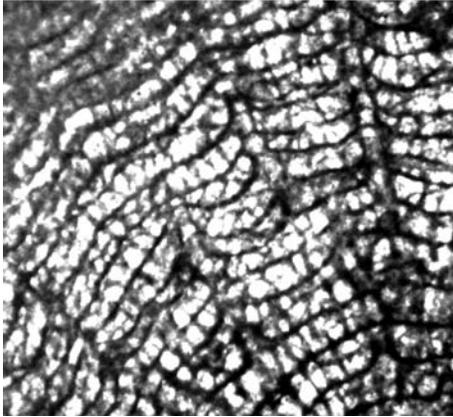
FIG. 8. Stromatoporellidae (p. 9).

tial section,  $\times 10$ ; c, tangential section through a mamelon,  $\times 10$  (Khalфина, 1968).

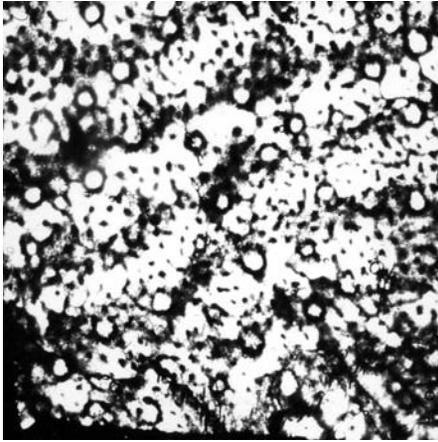
### Family TRUPETOSTROMATIDAE Germovsek, 1954

[*nom. correct.* STEARN & others, 1999, p. 43 *pro* Trupetostromatidae GERMOVSEK, 1954, p. 361] [=Hermatostromatidae NESTOR, 1964, p. 13; =Synthetostromatidae KHROMYKH, 1969, p. 35; =Imponodictyidae KHALFINA & YAVORSKY, 1971, p. 119]

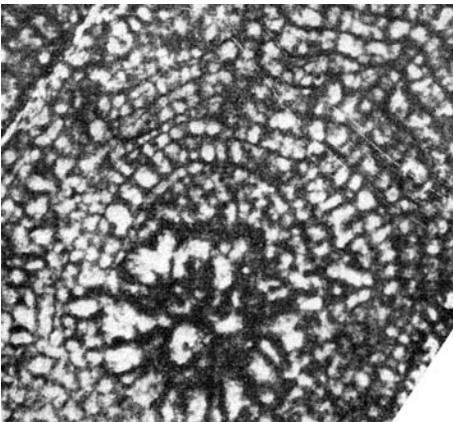
Stromatoporellids with superposed, postlike pillars or, rarely, pachystyles and



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b



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Tubuliporella

FIG. 9. Stromatoporellidae (p. 9).

tripartite or ordinicellular laminae forming a grid in longitudinal section. [Many of the genera of this family contain species that have compact-vacuolate microstructure and some that are cellular. Microstructure is therefore not considered diagnostic of the family.] *Silurian (Pridoli)*–*Upper Devonian (Famennian)*.

**Trupetostroma** PARKS, 1936, p. 55 [\**T. warreni*; OD; holotype, ROM 12197 (thin sections only), specimen DU677, referred to by PARKS as the type, is lost] [= *Flexiostroma* KHALFINA, 1961b, p. 345 (type, *F. flexuosum* KHALFINA, 1961b, p. 346, OD, see also STOCK, 1982, p. 666); =? *Imponodictyon* KHALFINA & YAVORSKY, 1971, p. 119 (type, *Stromatoporella loutouguini* var. *postera* KHALFINA, 1956, p. 60, OD)]. Laminae extensive, thick, typically ordinicellular but commonly showing a central clear zone or opaque axis, pierced by large pores joining the galleries above and below. Pillars short, expanded above and below at laminae, systematically superposed across successive laminae, forming grid with laminae; microstructure vacuolate, cellular, compact. ?*Lower Devonian, Middle Devonian (Eifelian)*–*Upper Devonian (Famennian)*: China (Guangxi), ?*Lower Devonian*; Australia (Broken River), China (Guangxi, Guizhou, Hunan, Yunnan), Czech Republic (Bohemia), Mongolia, Poland (Holy Cross), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin, Salair, South Urals), USA (Missouri), *Middle Devonian*; Canada (Arctic Island, Northwest Territories), China (Guangxi), Russia (Magadan), USA (Indiana), *Eifelian*; Belgium (Ardennes), Canada (Manitoba, Northwest Territories, northeastern British Columbia), China (Guangxi, Yunnan), Germany (Sauerland), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin, Salair, Urals), Vietnam, *Givetian*; Australia (Canning Basin), Belgium (Ardennes), Canada (Alberta, Manitoba, Saskatchewan), China (Guangxi, Guizhou), Russia (Kolymy, West pre-Urals), Vietnam, *Frasnian*; Kazakhstan, *Famennian*; China (Guangxi), Poland (Sudetes Mountains), *upper Famennian*. —FIG. 10a–d. \**T. warreni*, holotype, ROM 12197, Presqu'île Dolomite, Great Slave Lake, Canada; a, longitudinal section showing thin laminae and superposed pillars, ×10; b, tangential section showing large circular pores through cut laminae, ×10; c, longitudinal section showing compact vacuolate pillars and tripartite laminae, ×30; d, tangential section showing vacuolate pillars, round in cross section; a lamina is cut obliquely on right side, ×30 (new).

**Hermatostroma** NICHOLSON, 1886, p. 105 [\**H. schlueteri* NICHOLSON, 1886, p. 105–106; OD; NICHOLSON, 1892, p. 215–219, holotype, NHM P5527] [= *Argostroma* YANG & DONG, 1979, p. 45 (type, *A. typicum*, OD); MISTIAEN (1985, p. 189–190) showed that *Argostroma* is a diagenetic phase of

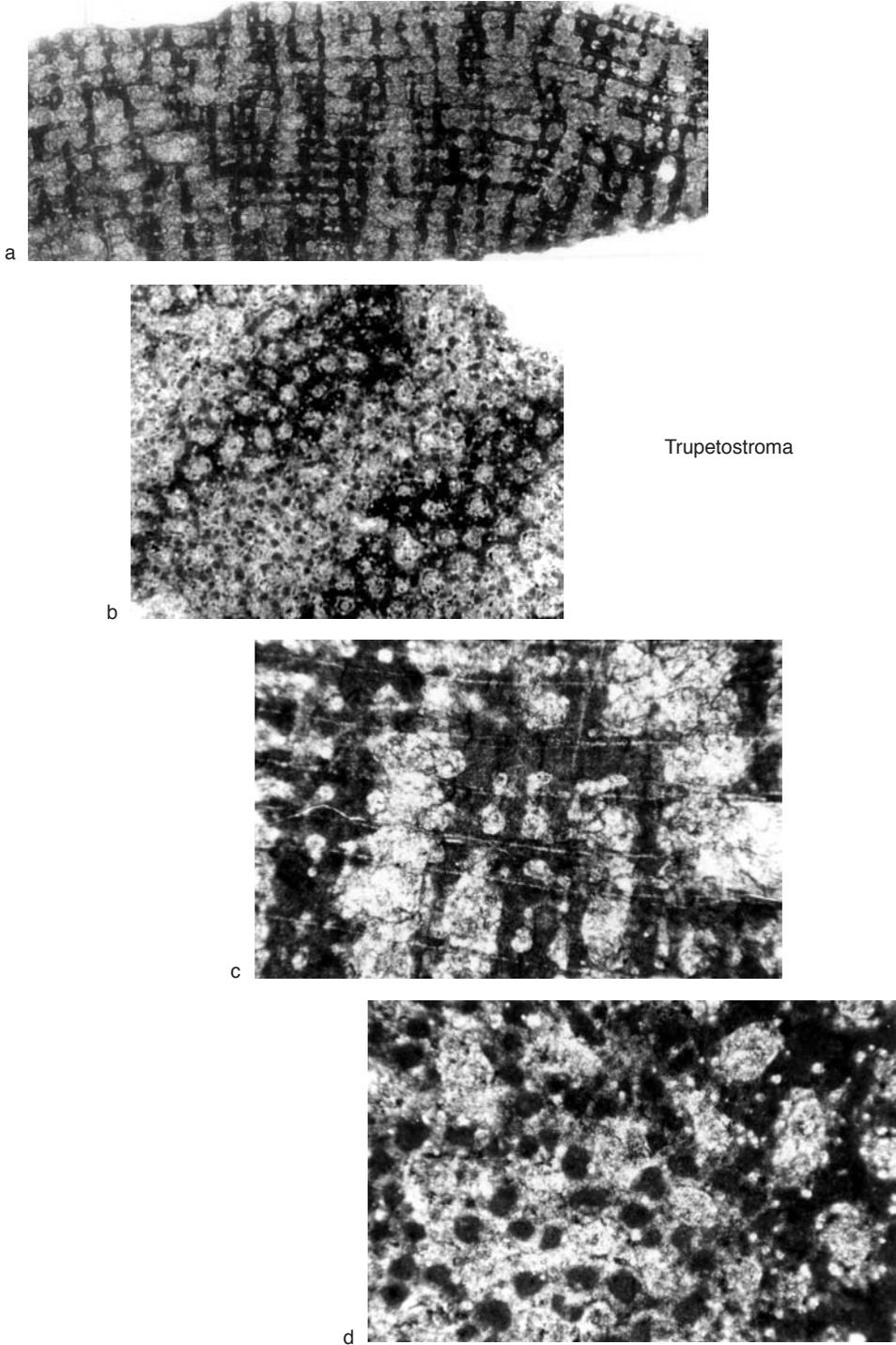
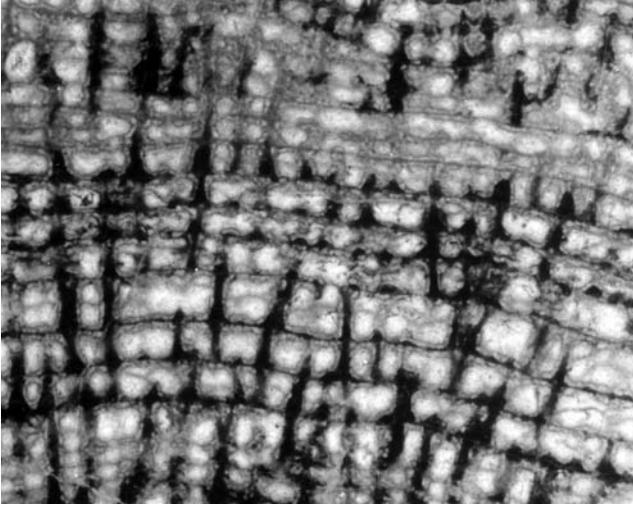
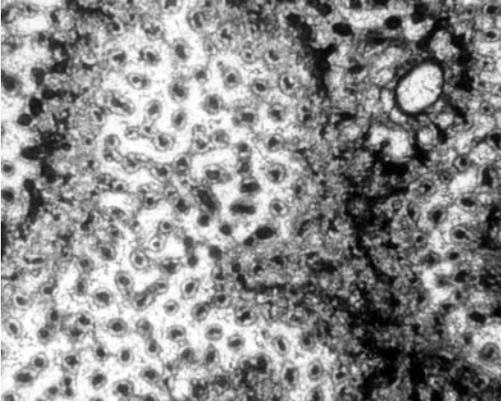


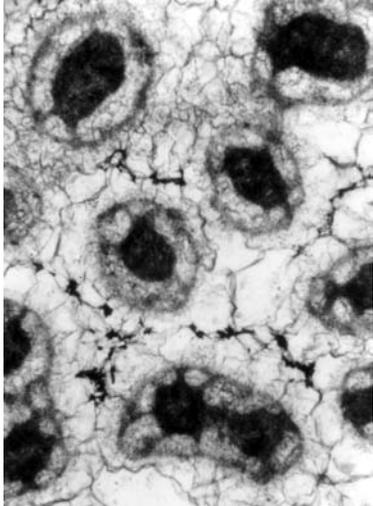
FIG. 10. Trupetostromatidae (p. 10).



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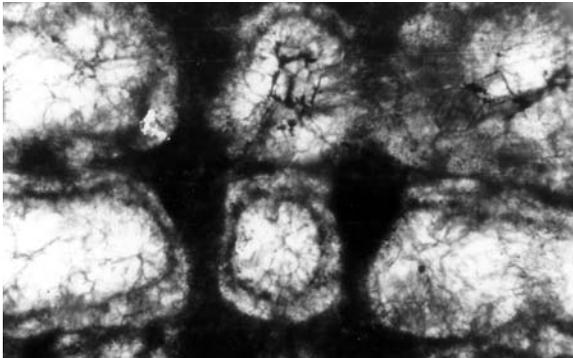


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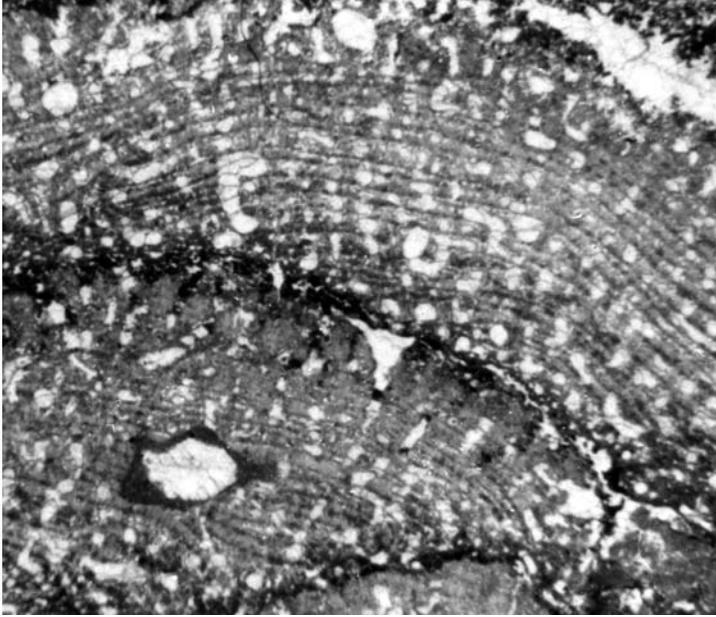
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Hermatostroma

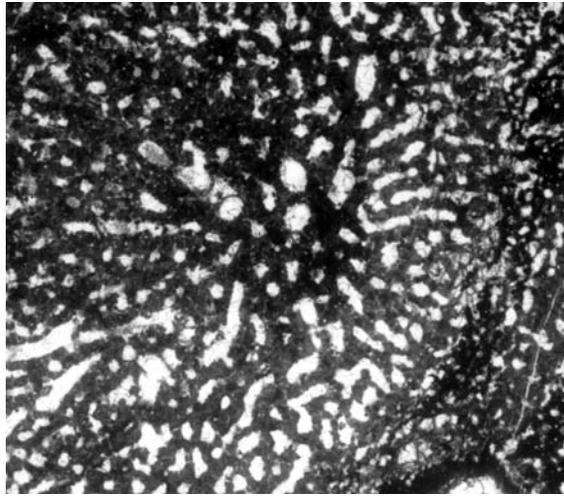


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FIG. 11. Trupetostromatidae (p. 10–14).



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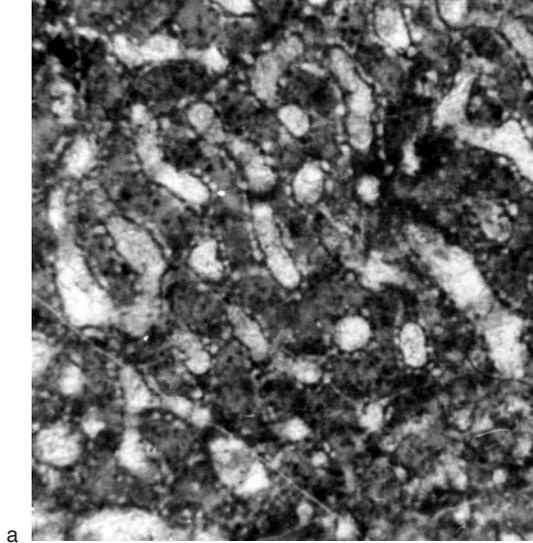
Hermatoporella

FIG. 12. *Trupetostromatidae* (p. 14–16).

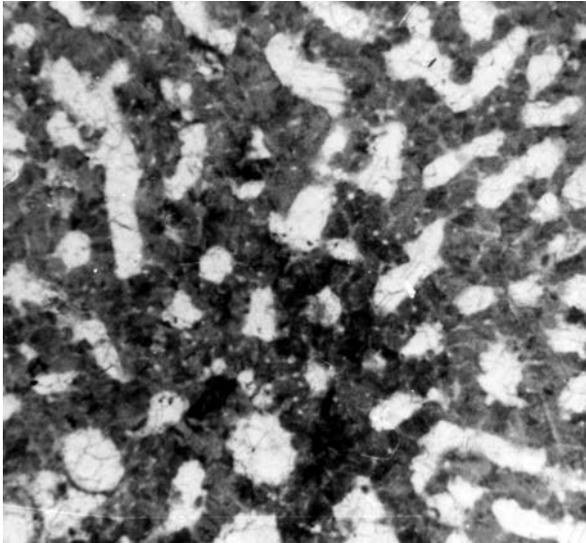
*Hermatostroma*]. Laminae extensive, prominent, tripartite with central dark zone, or light zone and more opaque lateral zones, penetrated by large pores between the pillars; pillars spool shaped, confined to interlaminal spaces, regularly superposed in longitudinal section, subcircular in tangential section, surrounded by peripheral cyst plates or bordered by peripheral vesicles. Microstructure compact, vacuolate, cellular. [*Hermatostroma* may grade into *Trupetostroma* through forms with lines of vacuoles along the pillar edges.] *Middle Devonian (Eifelian)*–*Upper Devonian (Frasnian)*:

Australia (Queensland), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin), *Eifelian*; Australia (Canning Basin, Queensland), Belgium (Ardennes), China (Guangxi, Guizhou, Yunnan), France (Boulonnais, Ancenis), Poland (Holy Cross Mountains), Thailand, *Givetian*; Czech Republic (Bohemia), England (Devon), Germany (Eifel), China (Guangxi, Sichuan, Yunnan), USA (Missouri), *Middle Devonian*; Australia (Canning Basin), Belgium (Ardennes), Canada (Alberta, Manitoba, Saskatchewan), China (Sichuan, Yunnan), Czech Republic (Moravia), Germany, Poland (Holy Cross Mountains), Russia

Hermatoporella



a



b

FIG. 13. Trupetostromatidae (p. 14–16).

(northeastern Siberia), USA (Iowa), *Frasnian*. — FIG. 11a–d. \**H. schlueteri*, holotype, NHM P5527, Middle Devonian, Hebborn, Paffrath District, Germany; a, longitudinal section, showing grid of pillars and laminae; b, tangential section, showing pillars, round in cross section,  $\times 10$ ; c, longitudinal section showing peripheral vesicles and compact pillars,  $\times 50$ ; d, tangential section, showing peripheral vesicles,  $\times 50$  (new).

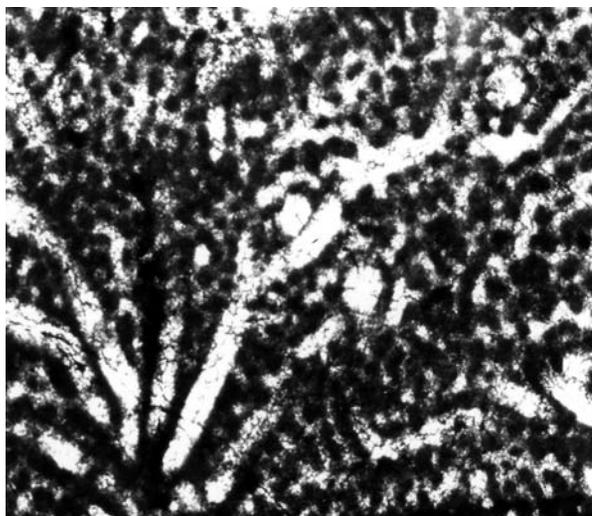
**Hermatoporella** KHROMYKH, 1969, p. 34 [\**Trupetostroma maillieuxi* Lecompte, 1952 in 1951–1952, p. 237–239; OD; holotype, IRScNB a 5760]. Irregular grid formed by pachysteles and microlaminae

intersecting pachysteles, locally replaced by aligned dissepiments; pachysteles superposed systematically, with peripheral vacuoles in parts of type, in tangential section forming a labyrinthine network, rarely cut as isolated subcircular masses; microstructure compact, vacuolate, or cellular. *Middle Devonian* (?*Eifelian*, *Givetian*)–*Upper Devonian* (*Frasnian*): Morocco, ?*Eifelian*; Canada (Northwest Territories, northeastern British Columbia), Russia (Omolon, South Urals), Vietnam, *Givetian*; China (Guizhou), Russia (Salair), *Middle Devonian*; Australia (Canning Basin), Belgium (Ardennes), Canada (Alberta, Northwest Territories, Saskatchewan),

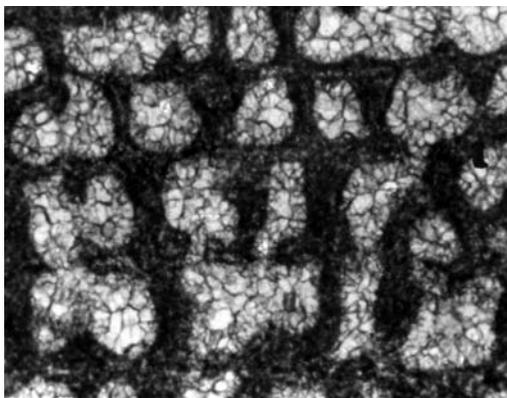


a

Hermatostromella



b



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FIG. 14. Trupetostromatidae (p. 16–17).

Synthetostroma

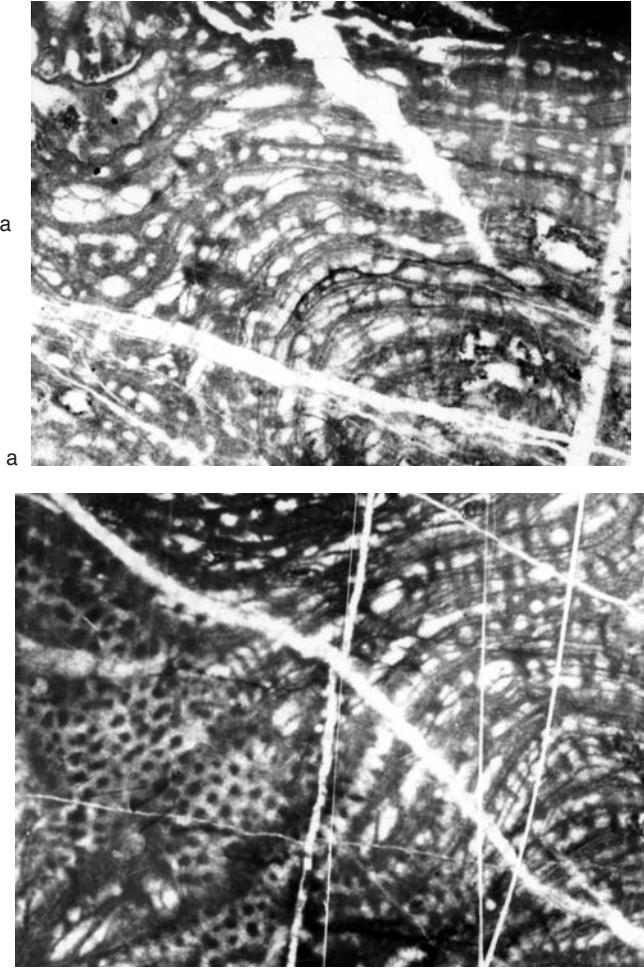


FIG. 15. Trupetostromatidae (p. 17).

China (Xinjiang), Czech Republic (Moravia), Iran (Kerman), Russia (North Urals, South Urals), USA (Iowa, Missouri), Vietnam, *Frasnian*.—FIG. 12*a–b*. \**H. maillieuxi* (LECOMPTE), holotype, IRScNB a 5760, Fromelennes Assise, Frasnian, Senzeille, Belgium; *a*, longitudinal section showing pachysteles and microlaminae,  $\times 10$ ; *b*, tangential section showing pachysteles around an astrorhizal center,  $\times 10$  (new).—FIG. 13*a–b*. \**H. mailleuxi* (LECOMPTE), holotype, IRScNB a 5760, Fromelennes Assise, Frasnian, Senzeille, Belgium; *a*, tangential section showing peripheral vacuoles at edges of pachysteles,  $\times 25$ ; *b*, tangential section showing vacuolate microstructure of pachysteles but lack of peripheral vacuoles,  $\times 25$  (new).

**Hermatostromella** KHALFINA, 1961a, p. 52 [\**H. parasitica*; OD; holotype, CSGM 401/33] [= *Amnestostroma* BOGOYAVLENSKAYA, 1969, p. 22 (type, *Syringostroma federovi* YAVORSKY, 1929, p. 109,

OD; STEARN & others, 1999, p. 45); = *Gerronostromina* KHALFINA & YAVORSKY, 1971, p. 119 (type, *Gerronostroma kitatense* YAVORSKY, 1961, p. 12, OD; STEARN & others, 1999, p. 45)]. Laminae and pillars subequal in thickness forming grid; laminae extensive, locally with axial dark or light zone, or ordinicellular; pillars postlike, locally appearing continuous, locally superposed and interrupted by lighter central zone in laminae, mostly discrete and subcircular in tangential section; microstructure compact, vacuolate, rarely cellular. [The most extensive discussion of this genus is that of KHROMYKH (1974) who emphasized as diagnostic characters the equal thickness of pillars and laminae, the dark or light central line in the laminae, the superposed pillars, and the cellular microstructure. *Amnestostroma* is intermediate between *Hermatostromella* and *Trupetostroma*; however, the features of the type species are basically those of *Herma-*

*tostromella* and therefore difficult to justify as a separate genus. See STEARN and others (1999, p. 45) for discussion.] *Silurian* (*Pridoli*)–*Lower Devonian* (*Emsian*), *Middle Devonian* (?*Givetian*): Russia (eastern Siberia, Urals), *Pridoli*; Canada (Arctic Island), Central Asia (Tien Shan), Russia (Salair, Urals), *Lochkovian*; Australia (Victoria), *Pragian*; Australia (New South Wales), *Emsian*; Russia (eastern Siberia, Altai Sayan), Central Asia (Tien Shan), *Lower Devonian*; Queensland, ?*Givetian*.—FIG. 14*a–b*. \**H. parasitica*, holotype, CSGM 401/33a, Tom'chumyshskii Horizon, Lower Devonian, Salair, Russia; *a*, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$ ; *b*, tangential section, showing astro-rhizal canals,  $\times 10$  (Nestor, new).—FIG. 14*c*. *H. federovi* (YAVORSKY), type species of *Amnestostroma*, holotype, CNIGR 2595, showing cellular microstructure,  $\times 25$  (Nestor, new).

*Synthetostroma* LECOMPTE, 1951 in 1951–1952, p. 193 [\**S. actinostromoides* LECOMPTE, 1951 in 1951–1952, p. 194; OD; holotype, IRScNB7296Gi]. Laminae extensive, continuous, composed of multiple microlaminae or imbricating dissepiments giving tangled appearance, commonly with central lighter zone or zones. Pillars postlike, confined to interlaminar spaces but systematically superposed. Microstructure compact. [The genus differs from *Clathrocoilon* with which it has been confused (NESTOR, 1966; KAZMIERCZAK, 1971; KOSAREVA, 1976) in having well-superposed pillars that appear to be continuous.] *Middle Devonian* (*Givetian*)–*Upper Devonian* (*Frasnian*): Belgium (Ardennes), *Givetian*; Czech Republic, *Frasnian*.—FIG. 15*a–b*. \**S. actinostromoides*, holotype, IRScNB7296a, *Givetian*, Surice, Belgium; *a*, longitudinal section showing multiple-stranded laminae and superposed pillars,  $\times 10$ ; *b*, partly tangential and partly longitudinal section showing pillars round in cross section,  $\times 10$  (new).

**Family IDIOSTROMATIDAE**  
**Nicholson, 1886**

[*nom. correct.* GALLOWAY, 1957, *pro* Idiostromidae NICHOLSON, 1886, p. 98]

Family diagnosis as for genus. [The family name came to be used for any dendroid genus, although the original diagnosis noted that growth form was not a diagnostic feature; it originally included disparate genera that are now assigned to three different orders.] *Middle Devonian* (*Eifelian*)–*Upper Devonian* (*Frasnian*).

*Idiostroma* WINCHELL, 1867, p. 99 [\**Stromatopora caespitosa* WINCHELL, 1866, p. 91; OD; lectotype, UMMP 32401A (slides W2-17,18), GALLOWAY & EHLERS, 1960, p. 63]. Growth form dendroid with axial tabulated canal and, in some species, subsidiary canals. Axial zone of amalgamate structure in transverse section, passing outward into peripheral

zone of well-defined continuous or superposed pachyστεles, intervening allotubes crossed by dissepiments and concentric laminae. Laminae variably expressed by alignment of opaque dissepiments to form microlaminae, by well-defined opaque microlaminae passing through pachyστεles, and/or by tripartite laminae with central light zone. Laminae forming parabolas parallel to successive growth surfaces in longitudinal section. Microstructure coarsely and irregularly vacuolate. [Vacuolate microstructure, tripartite laminae, and the tendency for the dominance of concentric laminae over pachyστεles are distinguishing features of the lectotype, but parts of it resemble *Stachyodes* in microstructure. NICHOLSON's (1886) description of the genus, which was widely accepted by later workers, was based on *I. roemeri* NICHOLSON, in the absence at that time of adequate descriptions of the type species.] *Middle Devonian* (*Eifelian*)–*Upper Devonian* (*Frasnian*): Germany (Sauerland), *Eifelian*; Australia (Queensland), China (Guizhou, Guangxi, Hunan, southern Tien Shan, Xizang), Mongolia, Spain (Cantabria), USA (Iowa, Michigan), Vietnam, *Givetian*; Uzbekistan, China (Sichuan), Germany, Russia (Urals), *Middle Devonian*; Australia (Canning Basin), Canada (northern Alberta), Uzbekistan, China (Sichuan), Czech Republic (Moravia), western Germany, *Frasnian*.—FIG. 16*a–c*. \**I. caespitosum* (WINCHELL), lectotype, UMMP 32401A, Petoskey Formation, Little Traverse Bay, Michigan; *a*, axial section showing central canal,  $\times 10$ ; *b*, cross section of skeleton showing axial canal and vacuolate pachyστεles,  $\times 10$ ; *c*, cross section of laminae showing vacuolate microstructure,  $\times 25$  (new).—FIG. 17*a–c*. *I. roemeri* NICHOLSON, 1886, holotype, NHM P6076, Middle Devonian, Hebborn, Germany; *a*, cross section showing extensive laminae and radial pachyστεles,  $\times 10$ ; *b*, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$ ; *c*, longitudinal section showing microstructure of peripheral vesicles and tripartite laminae, Nicholson section 406c,  $\times 50$  (new).

**Order STROMATOPORIDA**  
**Stearn, 1980**

[*Stromatoporida* STEARN, 1980, p. 892]

Stromatoporoids with cellular or obscurely cellular microstructure and structure dominated by pachyστεles and pachystromes forming amalgamate networks. *Silurian* (*upper Llandovery*)–*Upper Devonian* (*Frasnian*).

**Family STROMATOPORIDAE**  
**Winchell, 1867**

[*Stromatoporidae* WINCHELL, 1867, p. 98] [=*Angulatostromatidae* KHALFINA, 1968, p. 151]

Genera of the *Stromatoporida* dominated by pachystromes, laminae, and/or cassiculate

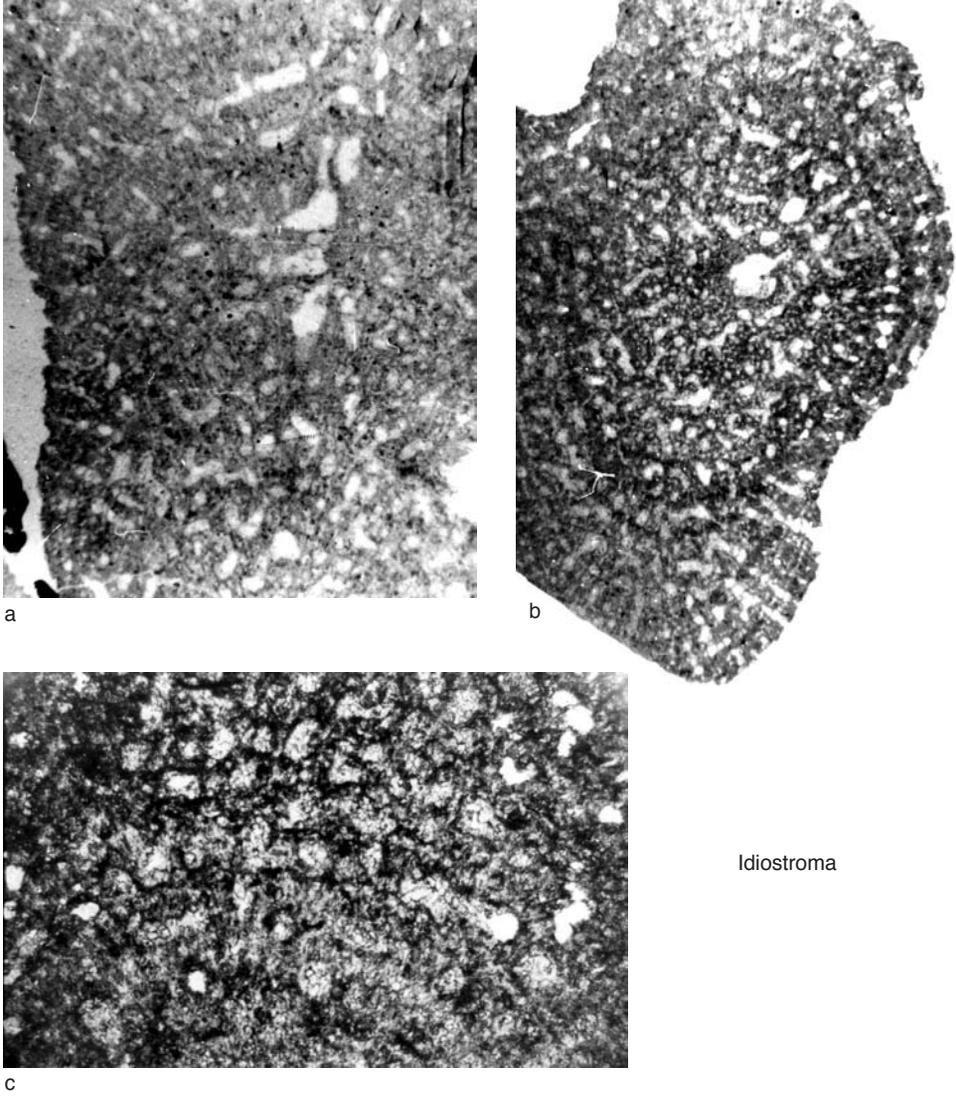


FIG. 16. Idiomatidae (p. 17).

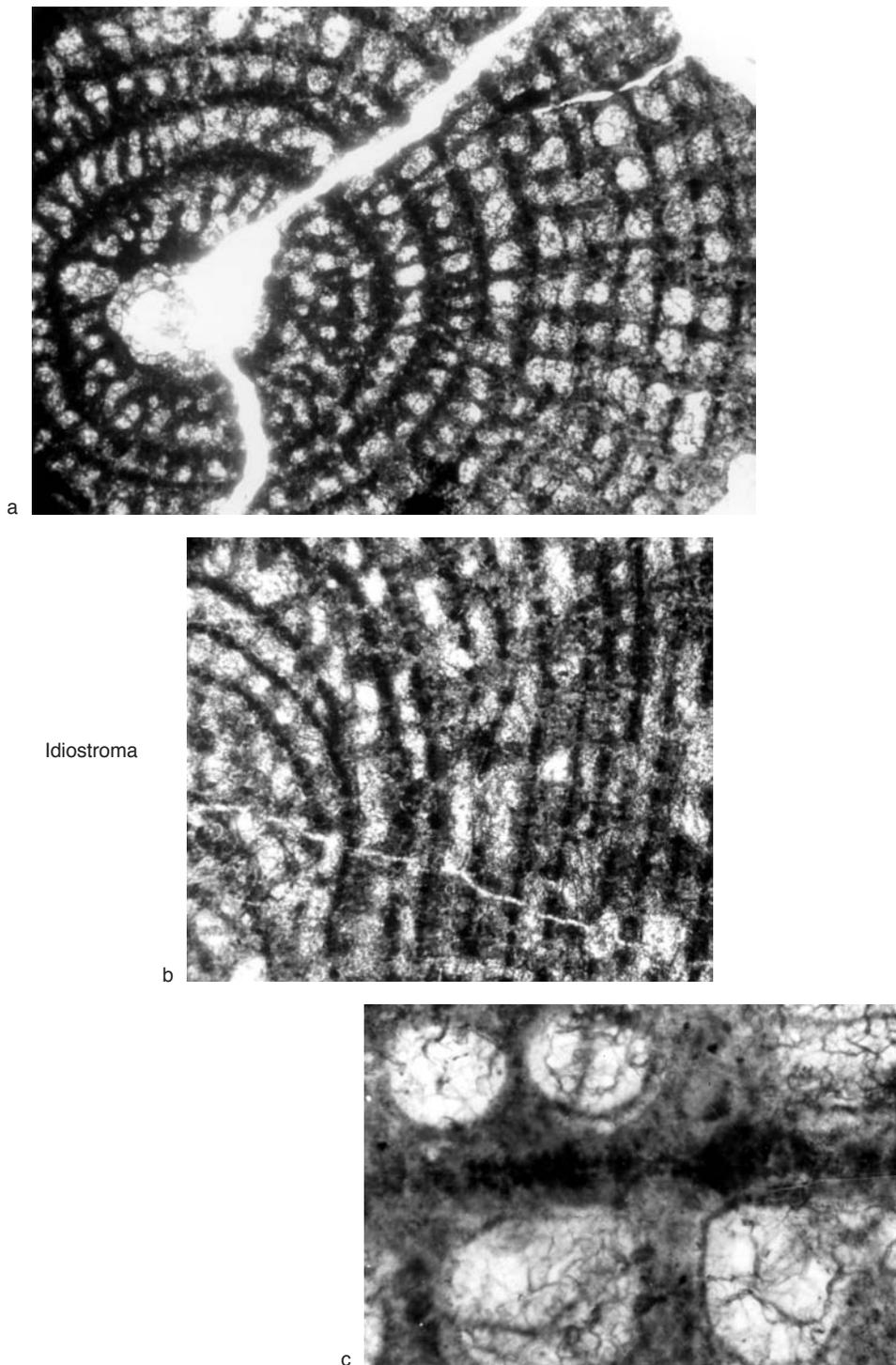
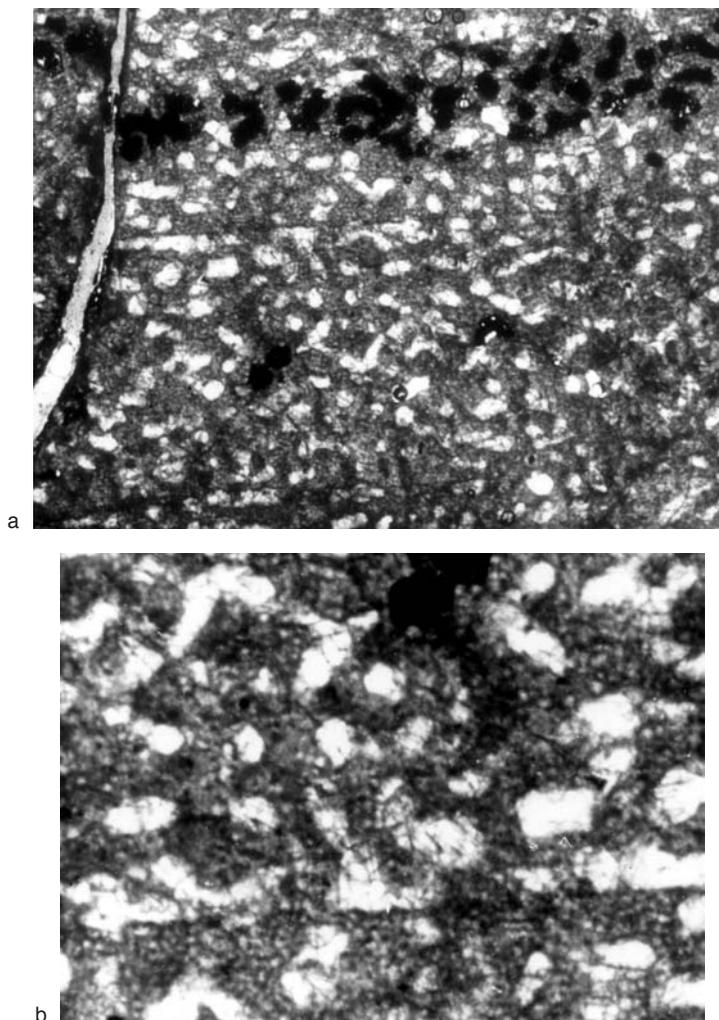


FIG. 17. Idiomatidae (p. 17).



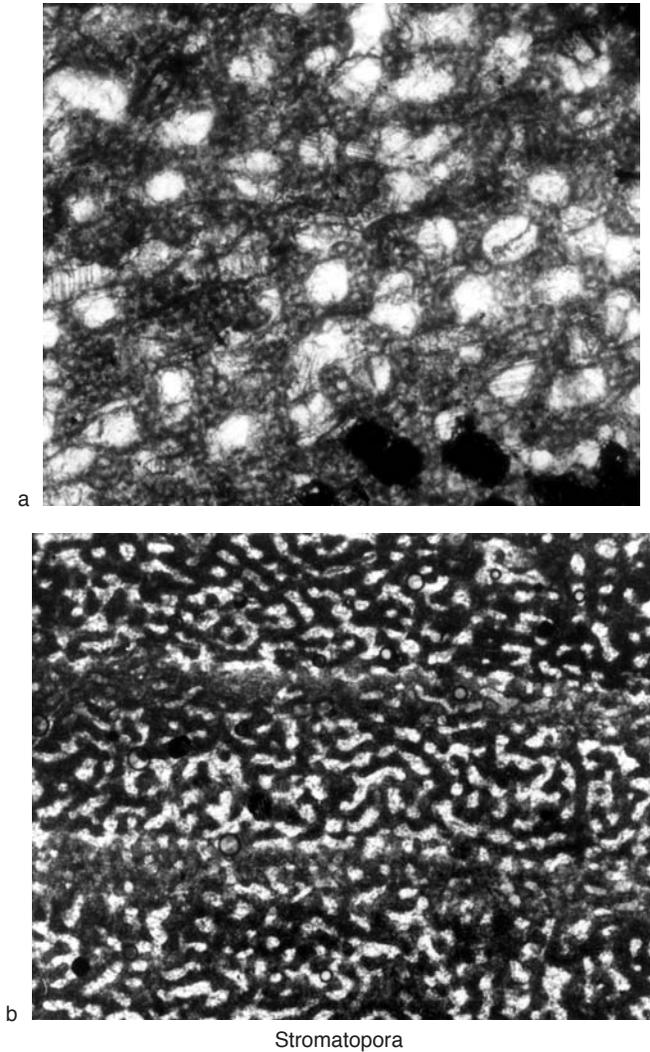
Stromatopora

FIG. 18. Stromatoporidae (p. 20–21).

structure. *Silurian (upper Llandovery)–Upper Devonian (Frasnian)*.

**Stromatopora** GOLDFUSS, 1826, p. 21 [*S. concentrica* GOLDFUSS, 1826, p. 22; OD; holotype, IPB 80] [=*Angulatostroma* KHALFINA, 1968, p. 152, *lapsus calami pro Angulatostroma* (type, *Stromatopora angulata* YAVORSKY, 1947, p. 10, OD)]. Skeleton of cellular, cassiculate, oblique pachystromes and scattered dissepiments, in some successive phases including short pachysteles; structural elements in tangential section cut as labyrinthine network or discrete vermiform elements. [Problems concerning the type and definition of the genus have been discussed by STEARN (1993)]. *Silurian (Wenlock)–*

*Upper Devonian (Frasnian)*: Czech Republic (Bohemia), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin, Lena River, Vaigach Island), Ukraine (Podolia), *Wenlock*; Czech Republic (Bohemia), Estonia, Russia (Vaigach Island, Siberian platform), USA (New York), *Ludlow–Pridoli*; Australia (Victoria, New South Wales), Canada (Arctic Island), China (Guangxi), Spain (south), *Lower Devonian*; Australia (Queensland), Belgium (Ardennes), Canada (Arctic Island, Northwest Territories), China (Sichuan, Guangxi, Yunnan), Morocco, New Zealand (Reefton), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin, Petchora Basin, Salair), USA (Missouri), *Middle Devonian*; Belgium (Ardennes), Canada (Alberta, Saskatchewan, Northwest Territories), Poland (Holy Cross Mountains), Russia



Stromatopora

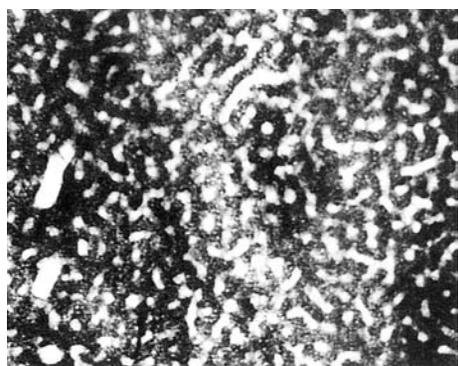
FIG. 19. Stromatoporidae (p. 20–21).

(Novaya Zemlya), *Frasnian*.—FIG. 18*a–b*. \**S. concentrica*, holotype, IPB 80, Middle Devonian, Gerolstein, Eifel, Germany; *a*, longitudinal section showing cassiculate structure,  $\times 10$ ; *b*, longitudinal section showing cellular microstructure,  $\times 25$  (new).—FIG. 19*a–b*. \**S. concentrica*; *a*, holotype, longitudinal section cut for LECOMPTE (1952 in 1951–1952) showing microstructure,  $\times 25$ ; *b*, specimen IRScNB 6212a of LECOMPTE (1952 in 1951–1952), Eifelian, Chimay, Ardennes, Belgium, longitudinal section showing latilamination and cassiculate structure,  $\times 10$  (new).  
**Climacostroma** YANG & DONG, 1979, p. 72 [\**C. guangxiense*; OD; holotype, NIGP 33129, 33130

[=*Lineastroma* KHALFINA & YAVORSKY, 1973, p. 31, *partim* (type, *Stromatopora vorkutensis* YAVORSKY, 1961, p. 39, of STEARN, 1993, p. 213) see *Lineastroma* below and STEARN (in STEARN & others, 1999, p. 47) for further discussion]. Structure dominated by thick, discontinuous pachystromes associated with microlaminae. Pachysteles short, confined to space between pachystromes, not superposed, forming a closed network in tangential section. Microstructure cellular. *Middle Devonian*: Belgium (Ardennes), Canada (Northwest Territories), China (Guangxi, Sichuan), Poland (Holy Cross Mountains), Russia (Pechora Basin, South Urals, Kuznetsk Basin), USA (Missouri).—FIG.



a



b

*Climacostroma*

FIG. 20. Stomatoporidae (p. 21–22).

20a–b. \**C. guangxiense*, holotype, 331229-30, Guangxi, China; a, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$ ; b, tangential section,  $\times 10$  (Dong, 2001).

**Eostromatopora** NESTOR, 1999, p. 120 [\**Stromatopora impexa* NESTOR, 1966, p. 44–45; OD; holotype, IGTTU Co3168]. Structure amalgamate, structural elements occupying most of skeleton, pierced by thin, tangential, vermiform canals and short, curved autotubes and allotubes with tabulae. Tangential canals in irregular layers simulating galleries and vaguely defining thick, irregular pachystromes. Microstructure compact or obscurely cellular. [This earliest representative of the order Stomatoporida appears to be the only genus without clear cellular microstructure.] *Silurian* (upper Llandovery–Wenlock): Canada (Arctic Island), Ireland, Norway, *Telychian*; Estonia, Sweden (Gotland), *Wenlock*.—FIG. 21a–c. \**E. impexa* (NESTOR), holotype, IGTTU Co3168, Jaani Formation, Saaremaa, Estonia; a, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$  (Nestor, 1966); b, tangential section,  $\times 10$ ; c, tangential section showing poorly defined microstructure,  $\times 10$  (Nestor, new).

**Glyptostromoides** STEARN, 1983, p. 553 [\**Glyptostroma simplex* YANG & DONG, 1979, p. 66; OD;

holotype, NIGP33083-4] [= *Glyptostroma* YANG & DONG, 1979, p. 65 (based on *Stromatopora beuthii* sensu YAVORSKY, 1955, p. 106; non *S. beuthii* BARGATZKY, 1881a)]. Structure in longitudinal section cassiculate, formed by network of oblique structural elements penetrated by thick, cellular, long pachyστελες; in tangential section, pachyστελες merging into labyrinthine network with oblique structural elements. [The type species of *Glyptostromoides* was designated by YANG and DONG (1979) as *Stromatopora beuthii* BARGATZKY, and they referred to the citation of this species by YAVORSKY (1955). However, the type specimens of *S. beuthii* had been identified as a species of the much different genus *Hermatostroma* NICHOLSON by LECOMPTE (1952 in 1951–1952, p. 253) and STEARN (1980, p. 898–899). *Glyptostroma* therefore became a junior synonym of *Hermatostroma* and the generic grouping distinguished by YANG and DONG required a new name.] *Lower Devonian* (Emsian)–*Middle Devonian* (Givetian): Canada (Arctic Island), *Emsian*; Spain (Cantabria), *Emsian–Eifelian*; China (Guangxi), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin, Salair), *Middle Devonian*; Canada (British Columbia), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin), *Givetian*.—FIG. 22a–d. \**G. simplex* (YANG & DONG); a–b, holotype, NIGP33083-4, Middle Devonian, Guangxi, China; a, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$ ; b, tangential section,  $\times 10$  (Yang & Dong, 1979); c, hypotype, GSC108894, Blue Fiord Formation, Ellesmere Island, arctic Canada, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$ ; d, drawings of type specimen,  $\times 10$  (Stearn, 1993).

**Lineastroma** KHALFINA & YAVORSKY, 1973, p. 31 [\**Stromatopora vorkutensis* YAVORSKY, 1961, p. 39; OD; holotype, CNIGR 7354/420; the type is synonymized with *Stromatopora sibirica* RIABININ, 1928, p. 1046, and *Stromatopora elegestica* RIABININ, 1937, p. 16; NESTOR, 1976, p. 78; if the synonymy is confirmed by comparison of the type specimens, then *L. sibirica* RIABININ, 1928, is the type species.]. Structure of prominent, extensive but interrupted pachystromes and short, mostly longitudinal but locally oblique pachyστελες, mostly confined to space between pachystromes, only locally superposed or more continuous longitudinally; in tangential section cut as isolated dots or irregular vermiform masses, rarely joined. Microstructure finely and inconspicuously cellular. [STEARNS (1993) included both forms with postlike pillars and pachyστελες in the genus, which resulted in a widely split temporal range, with a gap of late Silurian and Early Devonian. Transferring the species that have pachyστελες forming a closed network in tangential section to *Climacostroma* makes better sense of the stratigraphic distribution of *Lineastroma* and *Climacostroma*.] *middle Silurian*: Russia (Siberian platform, Pre-Urals, Tuva), Ukraine (Podolia).—FIG. 23a–b. \**L. vorkutense* (YAVORSKY), holotype, CNIGR7354/420, Pre-Urals, Russia; a, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$ ; b, tangential section,  $\times 10$  (Khalфина & Yavorsky, 1973).

**Neosyringostroma** KAZMIERCZAK, 1971, p. 117 [\**Hermatostroma logansportense* GALLOWAY & ST.

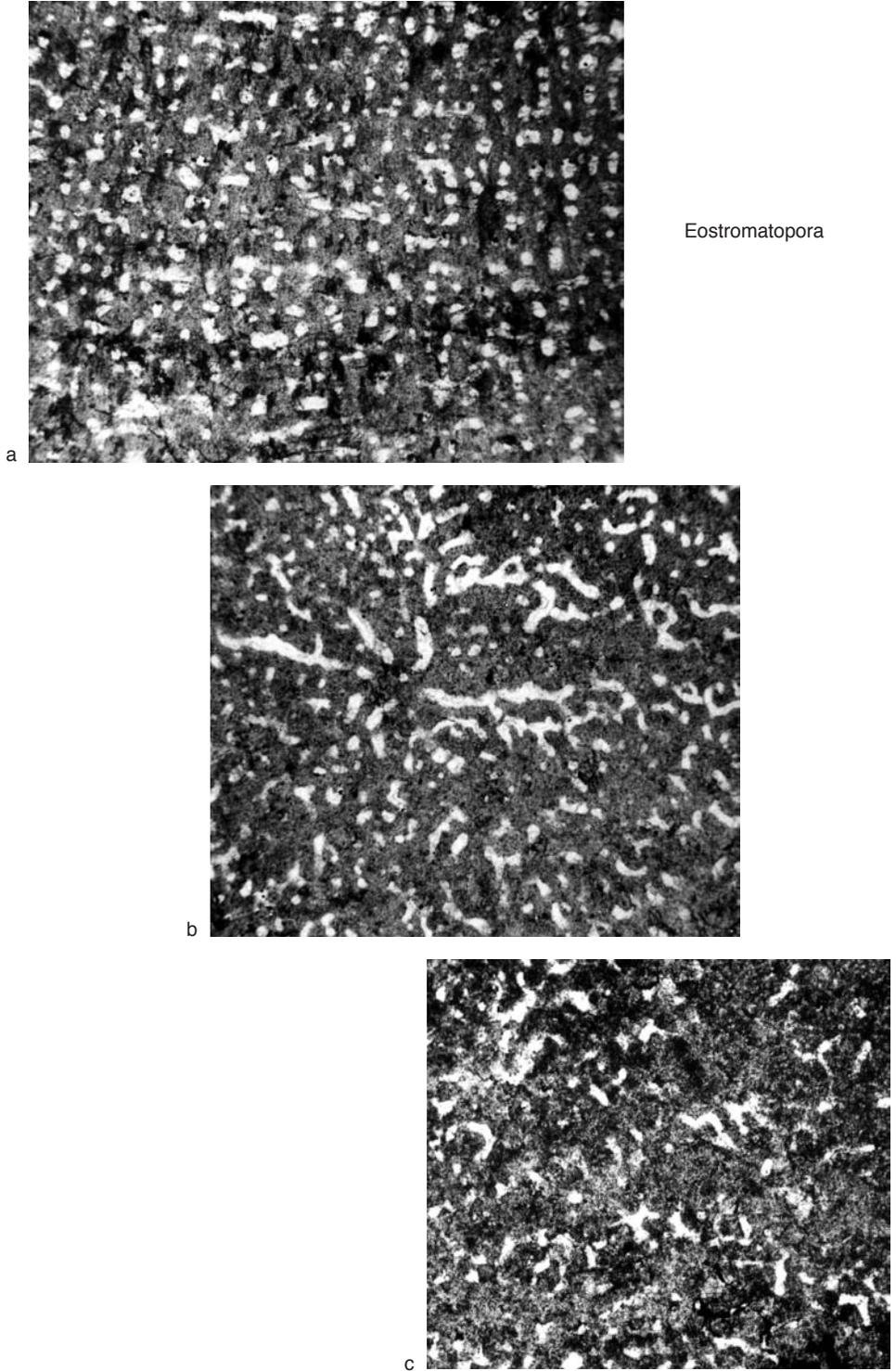


FIG. 21. Stromatoporidae (p. 22).

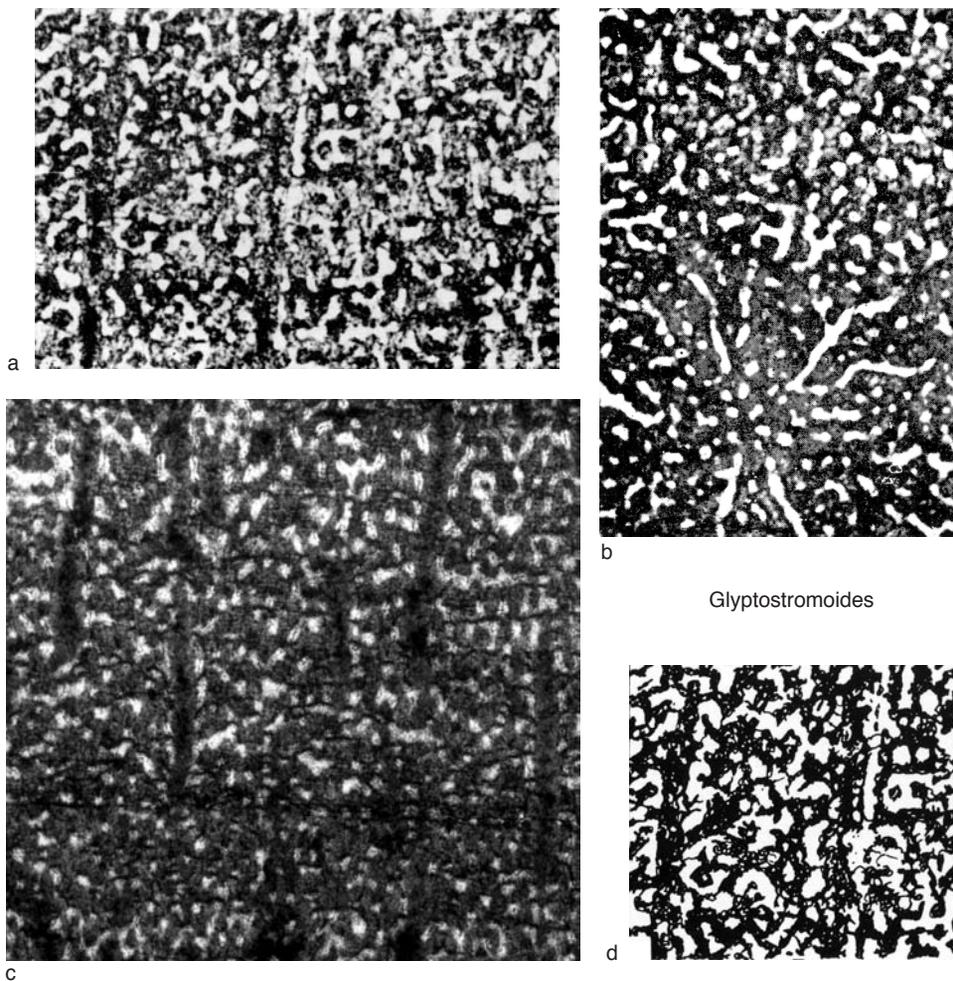


FIG. 22. Stromatoporidae (p. 22).

JEAN, 1957, p. 219; OD; holotype, YPM222127]. Long pillars of cellular-melanospheric microstructure pass through amalgamate structure of short pachysteles, pachystromes, and cassiculate structural elements, commonly chevron shaped in longitudinal section. In tangential section, pillars circular within amalgamate structural elements. *Lower Devonian (Emsian)–Middle Devonian (Givetian)*: Spain (Cantabria), *Emsian–Eifelian*; Afghanistan, *?upper Emsian*; Belgium (Ardennes), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin), *Eifelian*; China (Guangxi, Guizhou, Hunan), *Middle Devonian*; Afghanistan, Canada (British Columbia, Manitoba), Poland, USA (Indiana), *Givetian*.—FIG. 24a–d. \**N. logansportense* (GALLOWAY & ST. JEAN), hypotype, GSC 104075 (illustrated as *Talestroma logansportense* in QI & STEARN, 1993), Slave Point Formation, Evie Lake Field, northeastern British Columbia,

Canada; a, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$ ; b, tangential section,  $\times 10$  (QI & STEARN, 1993); c–d, holotype, original illustrations highly retouched; c, longitudinal section; d, tangential section,  $\times 10$  (Galloway & St. Jean, 1957).

**Pseudotruperetostroma** KHALFINA & YAVORSKY, 1971, p. 120 [\**Stromatopora pellucida artyschtensis* YAVORSKY, 1955, p. 100; OD; holotype (apparently lost), CNIGR 7351/132, elevated to species rank by KHALFINA and YAVORSKY (1971, p. 120)]. Pachysteles confined to interlaminal space, commonly well superposed, very coarsely cellular. Tangential elements fine microlaminae coated with coarsely cellular material like that of pillars. In tangential section, longitudinal elements (pachysteles) cut as a closed network or as vermiform isolated masses. [The type specimen of *P. artyschtense* is apparently lost, but as originally

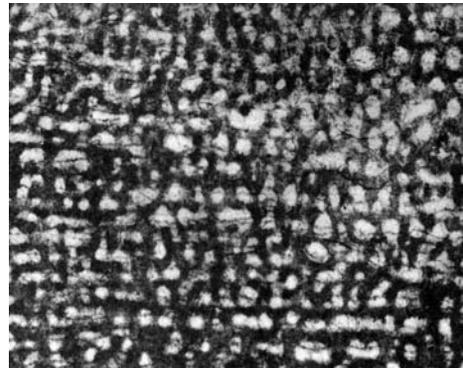
defined as a variety, it had the same specimen and type number as the species *S. pellucida* YAVORSKY from the same locality and was very similar in form (*vide* NESTOR, personal communication, 2003). The figures of the variety from YAVORSKY, 1955, and of the species *S. pellucida* are therefore used here to illustrate the genus.] *Lower Devonian* (?Pragian, Emsian)—*Middle Devonian* (Givetian): Australia (Victoria), ?Pragian; Australia (New South Wales, Victoria), Spain (Moreno Mountains), Emsian; Canada (Arctic Island), Emsian—Eifelian; Russia (Kuznetsk Basin), Eifelian; Russia (Salair), *Middle Devonian*; Australia (Queensland), Canada (northeastern British Columbia, Northwest Territories), China (Guizhou), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin, Salair), *Givetian*.—FIG. 25*a–c*. \**P. artyschtense* (YAVORSKY), holotype, 7351/132, Givetian, Artyschta River, Kuznetsk Basin, Russia; *a–b*, longitudinal and tangential sections,  $\times 10$ ; *c*, longitudinal section,  $\times 25$  (Yavorsky, 1955).—FIG. 25*d–e*. *P. pellucida* YAVORSKY, holotype, CNIGR 7351/132, locality as for *P. artyschtense*; *d*, tangential section,  $\times 10$ ; *e*, longitudinal section, showing coarsely cellular microstructure,  $\times 25$  (Yavorsky, 1955).

**Talestroma** GALLOWAY, 1957, p. 448 [\**Stromatopora cumingsi* GALLOWAY & ST. JEAN, 1957, p. 182; OD; holotype, YPM222129]. Structure amalgamate with small, round galleries, dominated by thick pachystromes, commonly showing microlaminae and traces of microreticulation. Pillars penetrate the structure, of melanospheric microstructure, commonly with clear axes, probably originally cellular. Round ends of pillars cut tangentially within amalgamate, melanospheric structural elements. [*Talestroma* is similar to *Neosyringostroma* but has more prominent pachystromes. The clear zones in the pillar axes, which are exaggerated in the retouched original illustration, may be diagenetic in origin.] *Middle Devonian*: Belgium (Ardennes), Germany (Hebborn), USA (Indiana).—FIG. 26*a–b*. \**T. cumingsi* (GALLOWAY & ST. JEAN), Logansport Limestone, holotype, YPM222129, unretouched; *a*, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$ ; *b*, tangential section,  $\times 10$  (new).

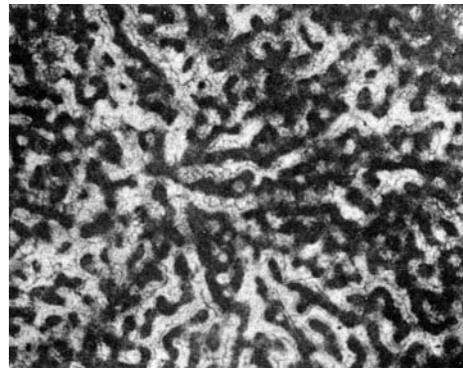
**Family FERESTROMATOPORIDAE**  
**Khromykh, 1969**

[Ferestromatoporidae KHROMYKH, 1969, p. 30]

Stromatoporids of melanospheric to obscurely cellular microstructure composed of oblique structural elements forming a closely spaced, cassiculate network. [The microstructure commonly appears to be finely melanospheric or compact and vacuolate. Uncertainty about its microstructure is reflected in the original description of YAVORSKY (1955) and in the discussion of



a



b

Lineastroma

FIG. 23. Stromatoporidae (p. 22).

FLÜGEL and FLÜGEL-KÄHLER (1968).] *Lower Devonian* (?Emsian), *Middle Devonian–Upper Devonian* (Frasnian).

**Ferestromatopora** YAVORSKY, 1955, p. 109 [\**F. krupennikovi*; OD; holotype, CNIGR 7351/165]. Structural elements largely oblique, forming cassiculate network traversed by thin, continuous paralaminae, forming a labyrinthine network in tangential section. Pachysteles absent. Microstructure obscurely cellular, commonly melanospheric. *Lower Devonian* (?Emsian), *Middle Devonian–Upper Devonian* (Frasnian): Canada (Arctic Island), ?Emsian; China (Sichuan, Guangxi), *Middle Devonian*; Germany (Rhineland), Poland (Holy Cross Mountains), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin, Salair), USA (Missouri), *Givetian*; Canada (Alberta), Poland (Holy Cross Mountains), Russia (eastern Siberia), *Frasnian*.—FIG. 27*a–c*. \**F. krupennikovi*, holotype, CNIGR 7351/165, Givetian, near Safonov, southwest of Kuznetsk Basin, Russia; *a*, longitudinal section,  $\times 6$ ; *b*, tangential and oblique section,  $\times 12$ ; *c*, longitudinal section showing microstructure,  $\times 25$  (Yavorsky, 1955).

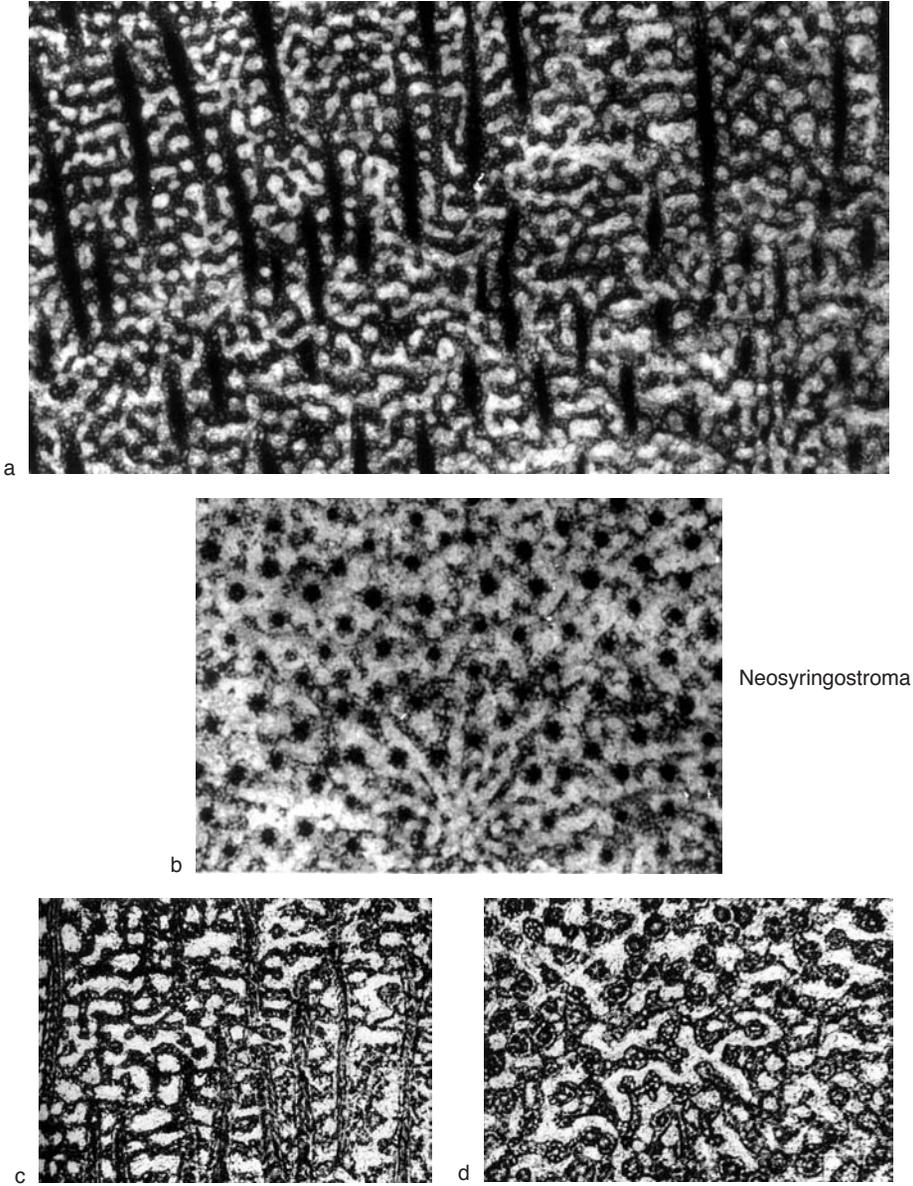


FIG. 24. Stromatoporidae (p. 22–24).

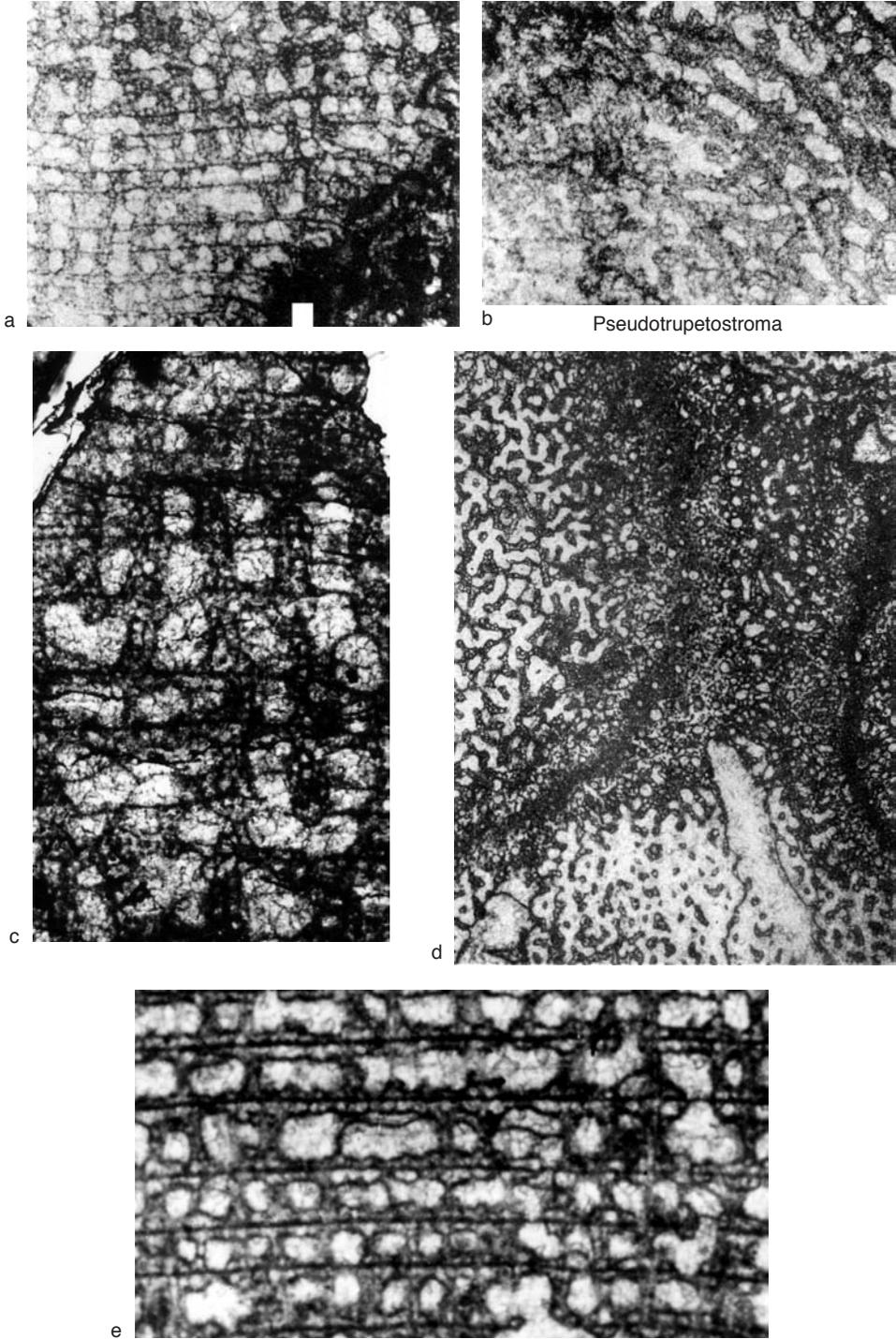


FIG. 25. Stromatoporidae (p. 24–25).

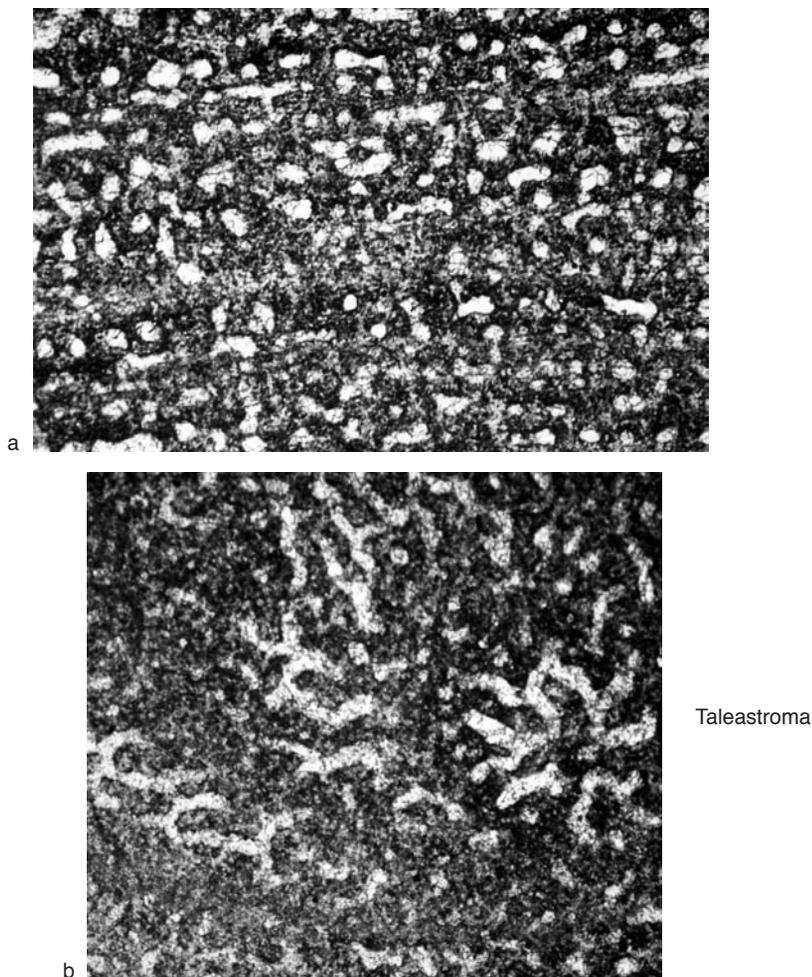
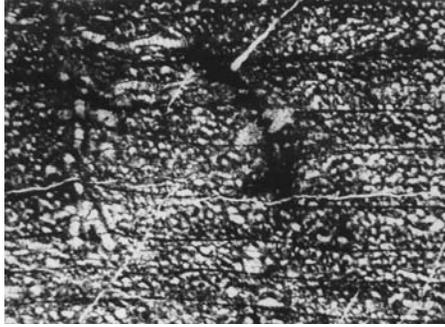


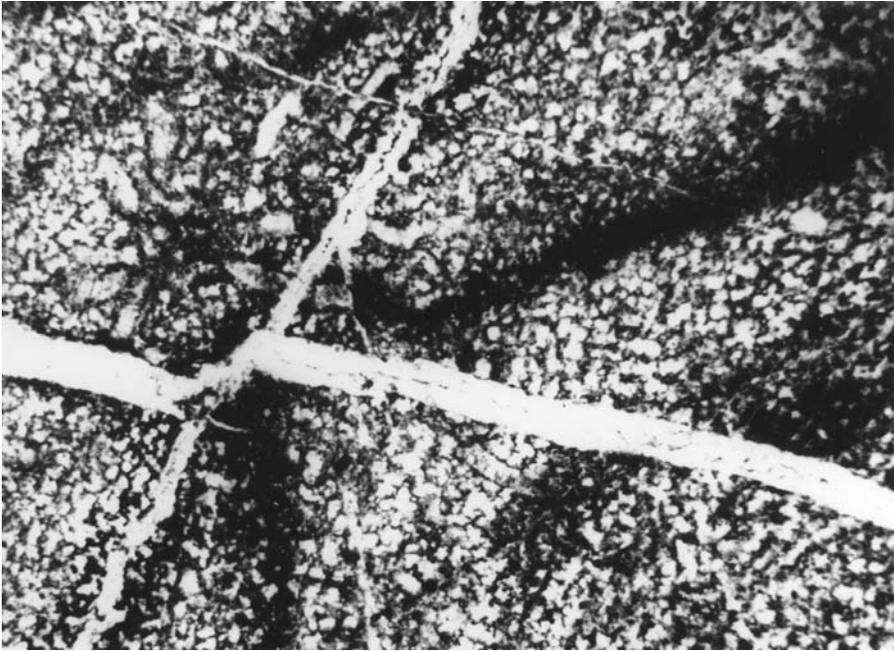
FIG. 26. Stromatoporidae (p. 25).

**Arctostroma** YAVORSKY, 1967, p. 30 [*A. ignotum*; OD; holotype, CNIGR No. unknown; =*Ferestromatopora contexta* STEARN, 1963, p. 666; STEARN, 1980, p. 898]. Oblique structural elements forming continuous cassiculate network in longitudinal section, enclosing galleries arched at top; neither pachysteles nor pachystromes prominent, but structural elements may align tangentially locally; structural elements cut as labyrinthine network in tangential section. Microstructure cellular, commonly altered to melanospheric with vertical alignment of melanospheres. [NESTOR (personal communication, 2009) asserted that until the identity of the two species is proven, *A. ignotum* should remain the type species.]

*Middle Devonian (Givetian)–Upper Devonian (Frasnian)*: Australia (Queensland), Belgium (Ardennes), *Givetian*; Australia (Canning Basin), Canada (Alberta, Manitoba, Saskatchewan), China (Guangxi), Germany (Rhineland), Russia (western Pre-Urals), *Frasnian*. — FIG. 28*a–b*. \**A. contextum* (STEARNS), holotype, GSC 29150, Mikkwa Formation, Frasnian, Mikkwa River, northern Alberta, Canada; *a*, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$ ; *b*, longitudinal section showing microstructure,  $\times 25$  (new). — FIG. 28*c–e*. *A. ignotum*; holotype, Frasnian, western Pre-Urals, Tshernysheva Mountains, Russia; *c–d*, longitudinal and tangential sections,  $\times 10$ ; *e*, longitudinal section, showing microstructure,  $\times 25$  (Yavorsky, 1967).

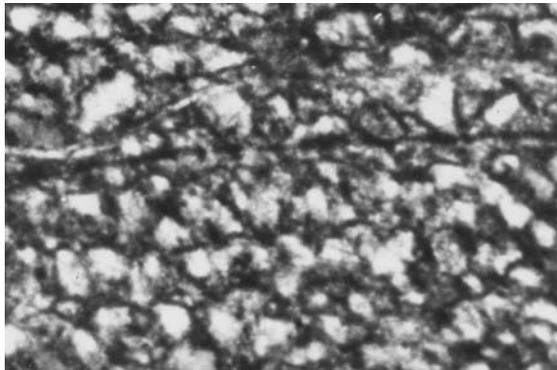


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Ferestromatopora



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FIG. 27. Ferestromatoporidae (p. 25).

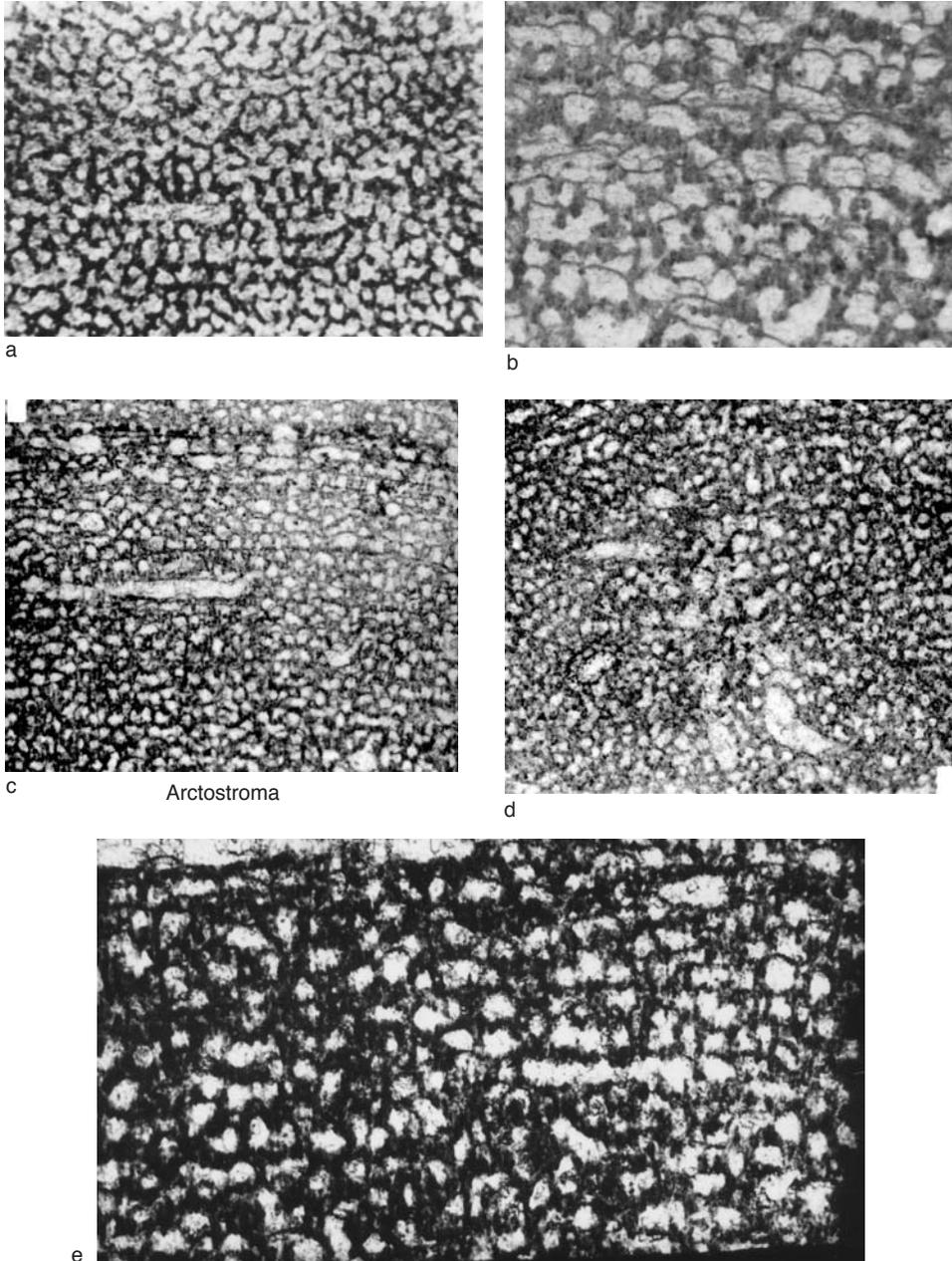


FIG. 28. Ferestromatoporidae (p. 28).

Family SYRINGOSTROMELLIDAE  
Stearn, 1980

[Syringostromellidae STEARN, 1980, p. 892]

Stromatoporida with structure dominated by pachyστεles and dissepiments. *Silurian*

(upper Llandovery)–Upper Devonian (Frasnian).

*Syringostromella* NESTOR, 1966, p. 47 [\**Stromatopora borealis* NICHOLSON, 1891, p. 315; OD; holotype, NHM. P5894] [= *Yavorskiina* KHALFINA, 1968, p. 148, *nom. nud.*]. Pachyστεles long, continuous,

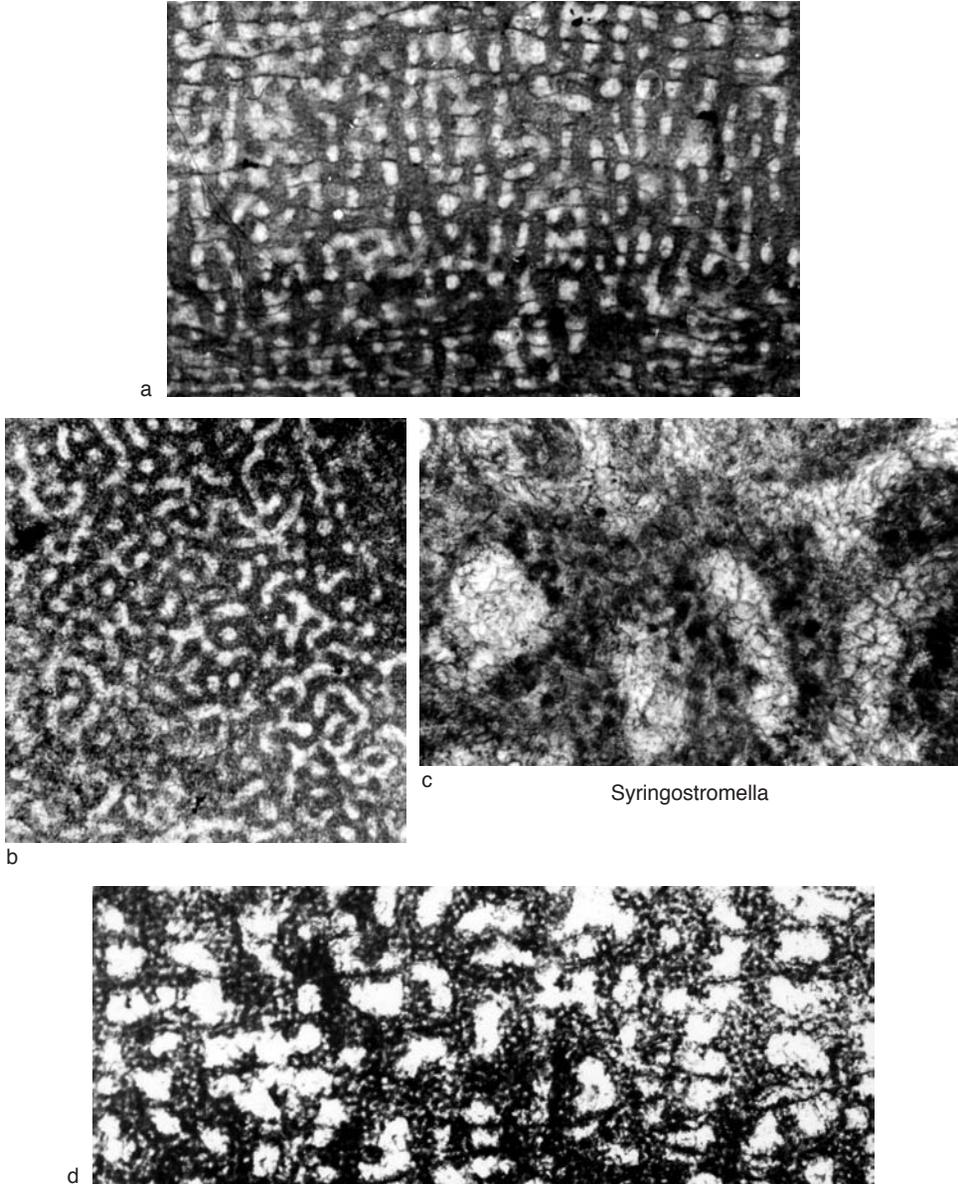


FIG. 29. Syringostromellidae (p. 31–32).

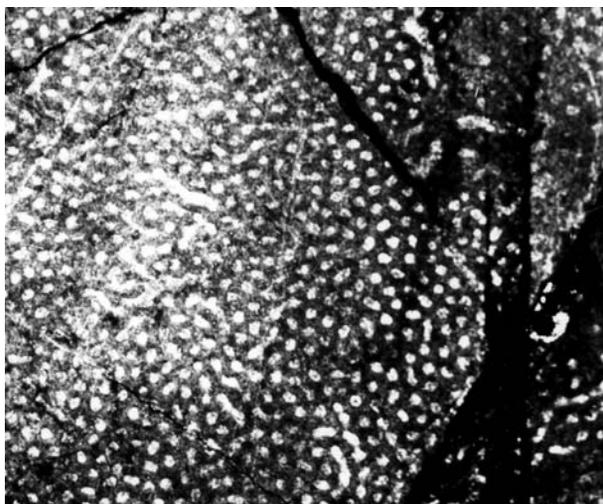
joining and dividing in longitudinal section; pachystromes rudimentary or absent, dissepiments common. In tangential section, pachyστεles vermiform or loose labyrinthine network. Microstructure cellular, some species may appear microreticulate. *Silurian* (*upper Llandovery*)–*Lower Devonian, Middle Devonian* (?*Eifelian*): Canada (Hudson Bay), *Telychian*; Canada (eastern Quebec), England (Wenlock), Japan, Russia (Moiero River, Tuva),

Sweden (Gotland), Ukraine (Podolia), *Wenlock*; Canada (Chaleurs Bay), Turkestan Mountains, Estonia, Kazakhstan, Russia (Siberia), Sweden (Gotland), Ukraine (Podolia), *Ludlow*; China (Inner Mongolia), Mongolia, Ukraine (Podolia), Russia (eastern slope of Urals), USA (New York), *Pridoli*; Canada (Arctic Island), *Lochkovian*; Czech Republic (Bohemia), *Pragian*; Australia (Victoria), Canada (Arctic Island), Russia (Salair), *Lower*



a

Salairella



b

FIG. 30. Syringostromellidae (p. 32–33).

*Devonian*; Russia (Siberia, Omolov), ?*Eifelian*.——  
FIG. 29*a–d*. \**S. borealis* (NICHOLSON); *a–c*, holo-  
type, NHM. P5894, Ludlow, Oesel Island, Estonia;  
*a*, longitudinal section showing long pachysteles,  
×10; *b*, tangential section showing allotubes and  
autotubes, ×10; *c*, tangential section of pachysteles  
showing melanospheric microstructure, ×50 (new);  
*d*, topotype, IGTTU Co 3176, longitudinal section  
showing cellular microstructure and long pachys-  
teles, ×25 (Nestor, 1966).

**Salairella** KHALFINA, 1961b, p. 330 [\**S. multicea*  
KHALFINA, 1961b, p. 331; OD; holotype, CSGM  
402/37] [= *Lecomptella* KHALFINA, 1972, p. 151  
(type, *Stromatopora racemifera* KHALFINA, 1961b, p.  
327, OD); =? *Tubuliporellina* KOSAREVA in BOGOY-

AVLENSKAYA & KHROMYKH, 1985, p. 93 (type, *T.*  
*crispa*, ?SD)]. Pachysteles long, joining and dividing  
in longitudinal section, pachystromes rudimentary  
to absent, dissepiments common in autotubes  
between pachysteles. In tangential section, most  
pachysteles joined in closed network enclosing  
autotubes. Microstructure finely cellular. [Although  
the genus *Tubuliporellina* was attributed by BOGOY-  
AVLENSKAYA and KHROMYKH to KOSAREVA (1968), a  
generic diagnosis was not published until that in  
BOGOYAVLENSKAYA and KHROMYKH in 1985, and the  
proposed type species was only illustrated at that  
time but not described. The status of the genus  
is therefore in doubt.] *Lower Devonian (Pragian)–*  
*Upper Devonian (Frasnian)*: Austria (Carnic Alps),

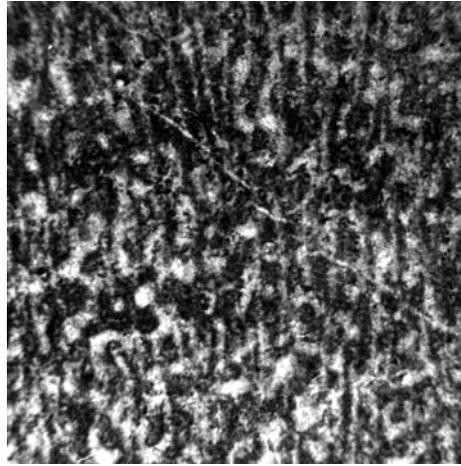
Czech Republic (Bohemia), Mongolia, Russia (Salair, eastern Siberia), *Lower Devonian*; Australia (Victoria), Czech Republic (Koneprusy), *Pragian*; Australia (New South Wales), Canada (Arctic Island), *Emsian*; Altai, Zeravshan Mountains, Czech Republic (Bohemia), Russia (Salair, Kuznetsk Basin), *Eifelian*; China (Guangxi, Yunnan), Russia (eastern slope of Urals, Salair), *Middle Devonian*; Australia (Queensland), Belgium (Ardennes), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin), USA (Missouri), *Givetian*; Australia (Queensland), Belgium (Ardennes), Canada (Alberta, Manitoba), Russia (Russian platform), *Frasnian*.—FIG. 30*a–b*. \**S. multicea*, holotype, CSGM 402/37, Podshandinskii stage, Gur'evska district, Salair, Russia; *a*, longitudinal section, ×10; *b*, tangential section, showing prominent autotubes, ×10 (Nestor, new).

?*Zeravshanella* LESSOVAJA, 1986, p. 36 [\**Z. cavernosa*; OD; holotype, GMU 270/7a-33/412]. Long pachysteles, highly irregular in outline in both longitudinal and tangential sections; tangential structural elements amalgamate, irregular, resembling those of *Glyptostromoides* and dissepiments. [Further study may show this genus to be based on a diagenetically altered specimen of *Syringostromella*; however, the microstructure of this genus resembles that of the Ferestromatoporidae. The name was first published by LESSOVAJA (1978) as a *nomen nudum* in a caption to plate 1, 1. The name is very similar to *Zeravschanella* LYASHENKO, 1969, a tentaculid.] *Lower Devonian*: Tien Shan.—FIG. 31*a–b*. \**Z. cavernosa*, holotype, GMU 270a-33/412, Kushnovin horizon (approximately *Pragian*), Mount Bursykhirman, Zeravshan Range, Uzbekistan; *a*, longitudinal section, ×10; *b*, tangential section, ×10 (Nestor, new).

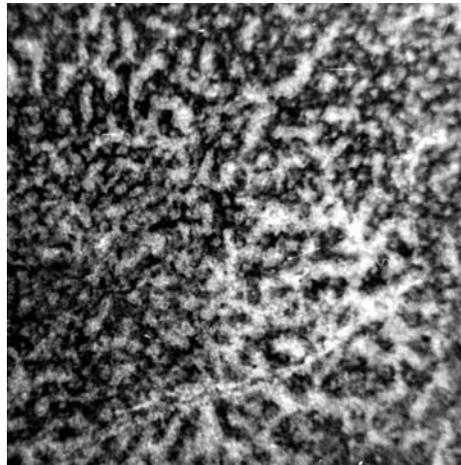
## Order SYRINGOSTROMATIDA Bogoyavlenskaya, 1969

[Syringostromatida BOGOYAVLENSKAYA, 1969, p. 21]

Stromatoporoids of microreticulate microstructure and skeleton composed of discrete structural elements rather than amalgamate networks, including commonly dominant pachystromes and microlaminae, pachysteles and pillars. [Microstructure alone does not define the order; several genera of the Stromatoporida also show traces of this microreticulation. The grouping of genera in the Syringostromatida is based partly on phylogenetic considerations that suggest that the order arose in Wenlock time from the actinostromatids: the Coenostromatidae from the Pseudolachiidae and the Parallelostromatidae from the Densastromatidae (NESTOR, 1974).] *Silurian (Wenlock)–Middle Devonian (Givetian), Upper Devonian (?Famennian)*.



a



b

Zeravshanella

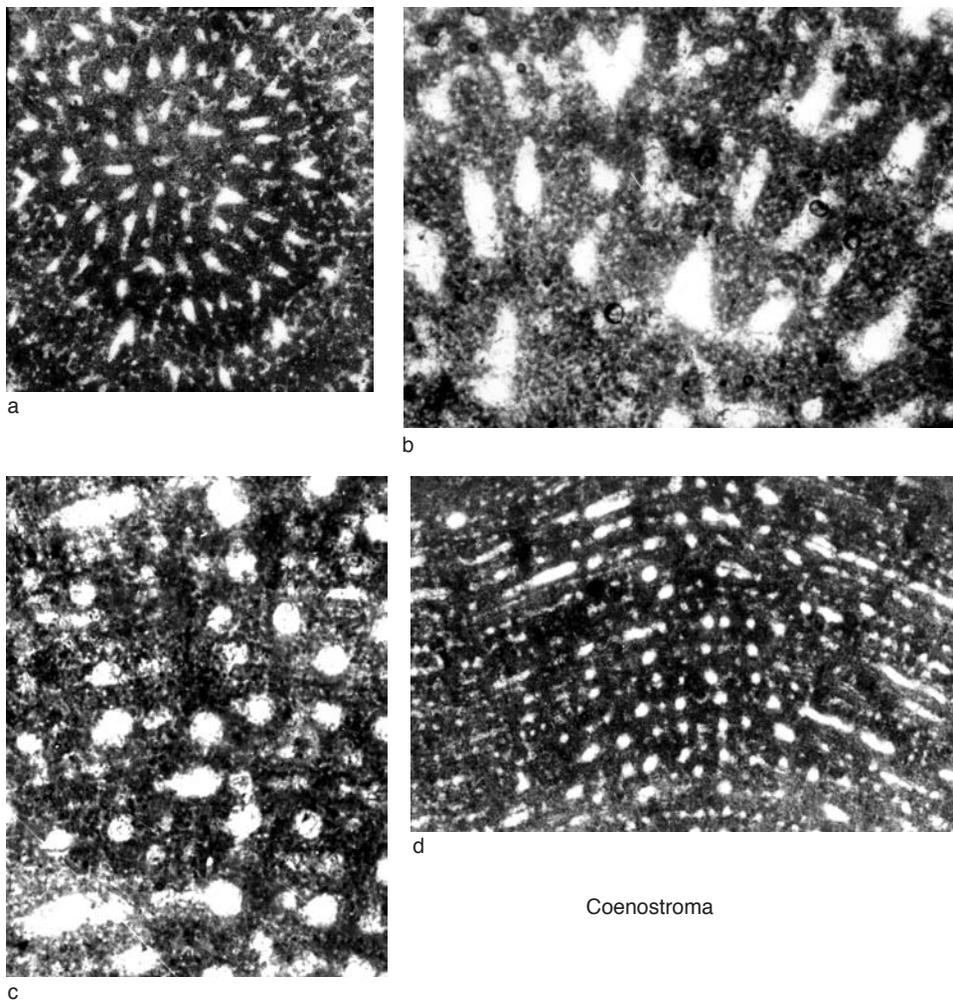
FIG. 31. Syringostromellidae (p. 33).

## Family COENOSTROMATIDAE Waagen & Wentzel, 1887

[*nom. correct.* STEARN & others, 1999, p. 53, *pro* Coenostromidae WAAGEN & WENTZEL, 1887, p. 925] [=Syringostromidae LECOMPTE, 1951 in 1951–1952, p. 195]

Syringostromatida of laminar, bulbous, and domical growth form with structure dominated by longitudinal structural elements (pachysteles and pillars) of clinoreticular and acosmoreticular microstructure. *Silurian (Pridoli)–Upper Devonian (Frasnian)*.

*Coenostroma* WINCHELL, 1867, p. 99 [\**Stromatopora monticulifera* Winchell, 1866, p. 91; SD

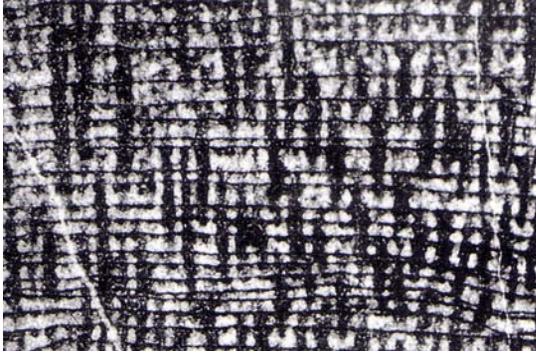


## Coenostroma

FIG. 32. Coenostromatidae (p. 33–34).

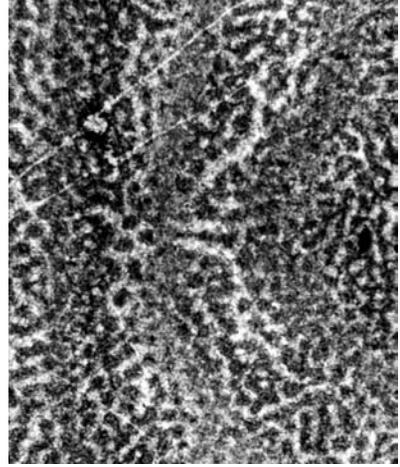
MILLER, 1889, p. 157; lectotype, UMMP 32409A, GALLOWAY & EHLERS, 1960, p. 51] [=?*Parallelostromella* KOSAREVA, 1968, p. 80 (type, *P. collina* KOSAREVA, 1968, p. 80–81, OD, *nom. nud.*, published without a diagnosis)]. Extensive, thick pachystromes, superposed pachysteles, and pillars forming an imperfect grid in longitudinal section; galleries small, irregular; microstructure of structural elements obscurely clinoreticular, locally with microlaminae in pachystromes. In tangential section, structural elements forming irregular network, or, in some species, longitudinal elements appear as dots (i.e., they are pillars). [Some of the species presently included in *Coenostroma* are acosmoreticular in microstructure and could form the basis of a new genus.] *Lower Devonian (Lochkovian)*–*Middle Devonian (Givetian)*, *Upper Devonian (?Famennian)*: USA

(New York), *Lochkovian*; Australia (Victoria), *Emsian*; Canada (southern Ontario), Germany (Eifel), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin, northeastern Siberia, ?Salair), *Eifelian*; Australia (Queensland), Canada (Manitoba, Northwest Territories), Czech Republic, Poland (Holy Cross Mountains), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin), USA (Michigan), *Givetian*; China (Guangxi), *Middle Devonian*; Russia (Novaya Zemlya), Australia (Canning Basin), ?*Famennian*.—FIG. 32a–d. \**C. monticuliferum* (WINCHELL), Gravel Point Formation, Traverse Group, Petosky, Michigan, USA; a–c, lectotype, UMMP 32409A; a, tangential section, ×10; b, tangential section showing cellular microstructure, ×25; c, longitudinal section showing traces of microreticulate microstructure, ×25; d, paralectotype, UMMP 32409B, longitudinal section, ×10 (new).

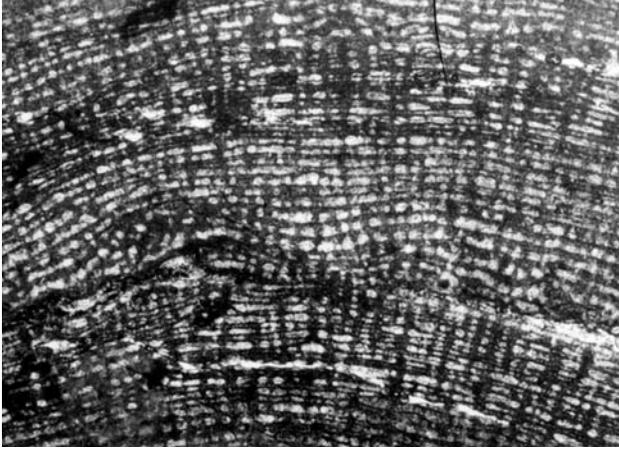


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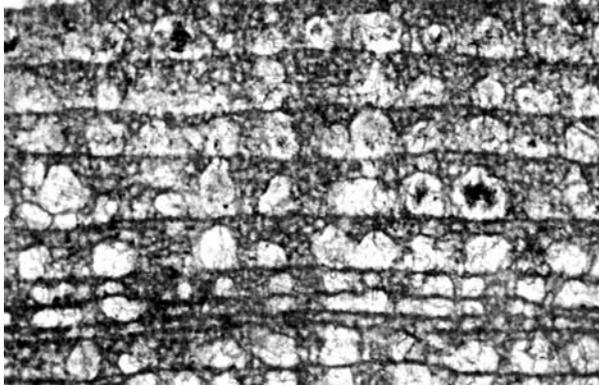
Atopostroma



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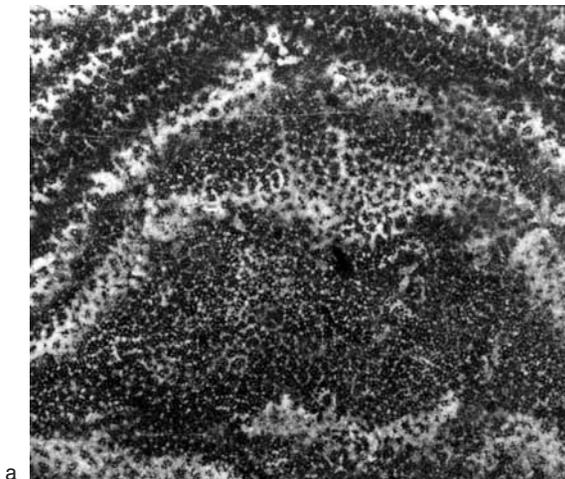
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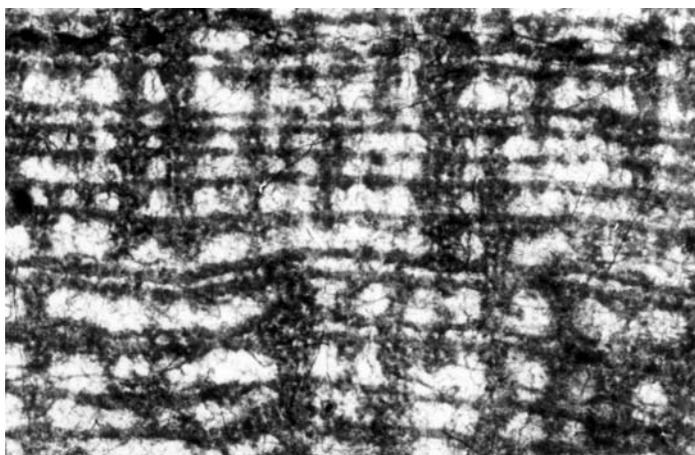
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FIG. 33. Coenostromatidae (p. 36).

Atopostroma



a



b

FIG. 34. Coenostromatidae (p. 36).

**Atopostroma** YANG & DONG, 1979, p. 74 [*A. tuntouense*; OD; holotype, NIGP Bd343-9]. Laminae regular, extensive, formed of a single microlamina with skeletal material from pillars spread irregularly below; pillars typically superposed, narrow, subcircular in tangential section at base, composed of orthoreticular to clinoreticular skeletal material. *Lower Devonian (Lochkovian)–Middle Devonian (Eifelian, ?Givetian)*: Canada (Arctic Island), USA (New York), *Lochkovian*; Czech Republic (Bohemia), *Pragian*; Australia (New South Wales, Victoria), Canada (Arctic Island, Northwest Territories, Yukon), China (Sichuan, Yunnan, Guangxi), *Emsian*; Canada (Arctic Island), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin), *Eifelian*; Afghanistan, *?Givetian*.—FIG. 33*a–b*. \**A. tuntouense*, holotype, NIGP Bd343-9, Yujiang Formation, Emsian, Guangxi, China; *a*, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$ ; *b*, tangential section,

$\times 10$  (Dong, 2001).—FIG. 33*c*. *A. n. sp.*, = *A. tuntouense* STEARN, 1990, p. 496 (see WEBBY, STEARN, & ZHEN, 1993, p. 171–172), hypotype, GSC95786, Stuart Bay Formation, Bathurst Island, arctic Canada, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$  (new).—FIG. 33*d*. *A. stearni* WEBBY & ZHEN, 2008, holotype, Martin Wells Limestone, Queensland, Australia, AM.F 134883, longitudinal section, showing microstructure,  $\times 35$  (Webby & Zhen, 2008).—FIG. 34*a–b*. *A. n. sp.* (= *A. tuntouense* STEARN, 1990, p. 496), hypotype, GSC95786, Stuart Bay Formation, Bathurst Island, arctic Canada; *a*, tangential section,  $\times 10$ ; *b*, longitudinal section showing microstructure,  $\times 25$  (new).

**Columnostroma** BOGOYAVLENSKAYA, 1972, p. 33 [*\*Coenostroma ristigouchense* SPENCER, 1884, p. 599; OD; specimen repository unknown, type slide 309, NHM. P5591]. Pillars (subcolumns) long,

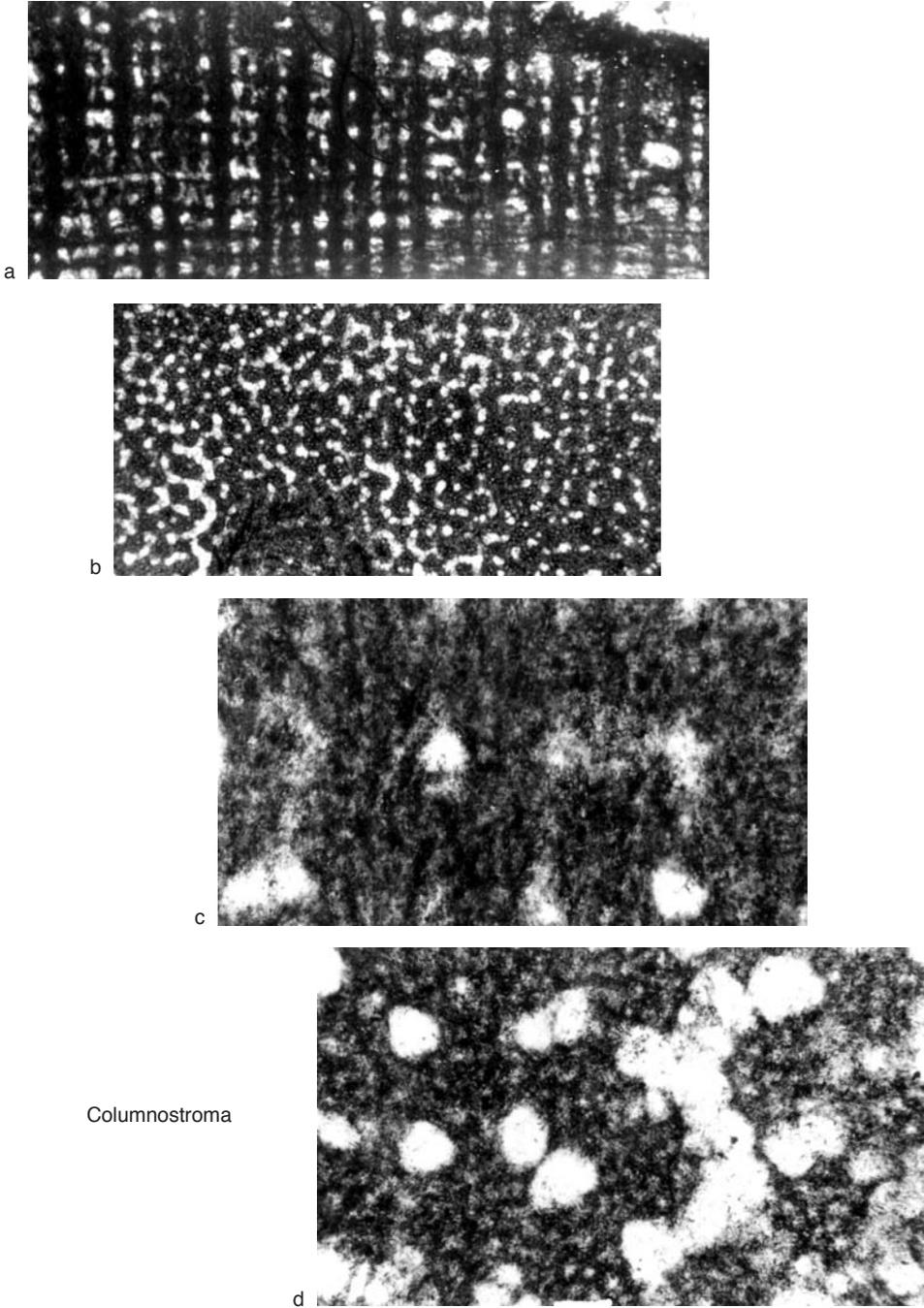


FIG. 35. Coenostromatidae (p. 36–38).

Habrostroma

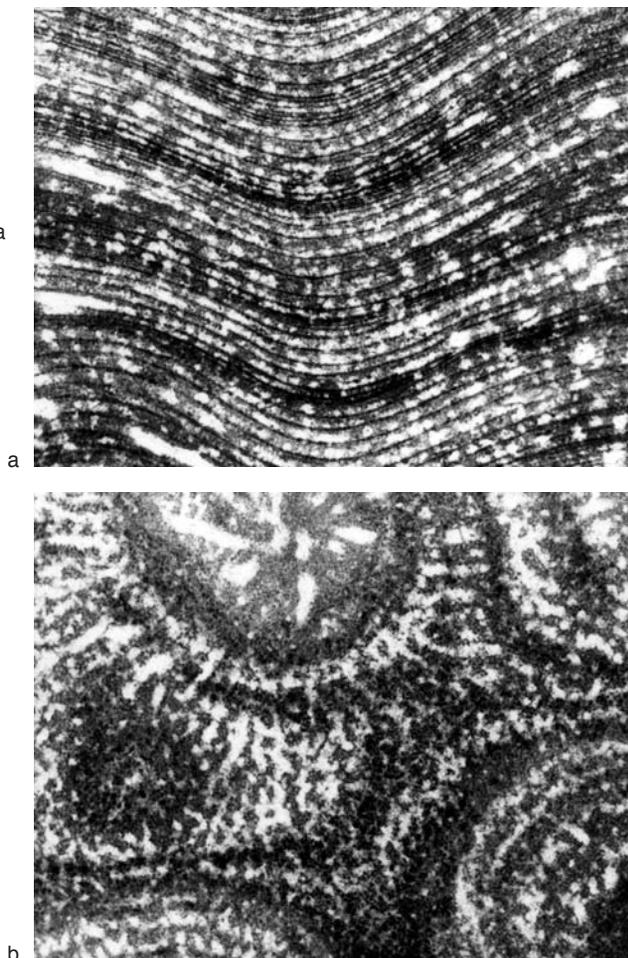


FIG. 36. Coenostromatidae (p. 38–39).

continuous, rarely joining or dividing, clinoreticular, round in tangential section and joined by radial processes (colliculi) forming colliculate laminae or locally thicker pachystromes; dissepiments common; pillars (subcolumns) separated by autotubes. *Lower Devonian (Lochkovian)–Middle Devonian (Givetian)*: Canada (New Brunswick), *Lochkovian*; Australia (Victoria), *Pragian*; Russia (eastern Urals), *Lower Devonian*; Canada (Hudson Bay), USA (Indiana, Ohio), *Emsian–Eifelian*; England (?Devon), Russia (northern Urals, eastern slope of Urals, Kuznetsk Basin), *Givetian*. —FIG. 35a–d. \**C. ristigouchense* (SPENCER), holotype, NHM. P5591, ?Lochkovian, Dalhousie, New Brunswick, Canada; a, longitudinal section (section is thick),  $\times 10$ ; b, tangential section showing round pillars (subcolumns) joined by radial processes,  $\times 10$ ; c, longitudinal section showing clinoreticular nature of pillars (subcolumns),  $\times 50$ ; d, tangential section of microstructure,  $\times 50$  (new).

**Habrostroma** FAGERSTROM, 1982, p. 11 [\**Stromatopora proxilaminata* FAGERSTROM, 1961, p. 8; OD; holotype, UMMP 36177]. Pachysteles short, irregular, largely confined between pachystromes, forming an irregular network of cellular skeletal tissue with diffuse boundaries in tangential section; pachystromes prominent, of similar cellular-to-acosmoreticular material containing one or more microlaminae. [This genus has been difficult to define, and at the beginning of its range near the Silurian-Devonian boundary, it is difficult to distinguish from *Parallelostroma* (FAGERSTROM, 1982; STOCK & HOLMES, 1986; STOCK, 1989).] *Silurian (Pridoli)–Upper Devonian (Frasnian)*: Estonia, USA (New York, Virginia), *Pridoli*; Canada (Arctic Island), USA (New York, Virginia), *Lochkovian*; Australia (Victoria), *Pragian*; Australia (New South Wales), Canada (Arctic Island), *Emsian*; Belgium (Ardennes), Canada (Arctic Island), southern

Ontario), Poland, Russia (Kuznetsk Basin, Russian platform, Urals), USA (Indiana, Missouri, Ohio), *Eifelian*; Belgium (Ardennes), China (Guizhou), Germany (Sauerland), USA (Indiana), *Givetian*; Canada (northern Alberta, Northwest Territories), France, Iran (Kerman), Russia (St. Petersburg), *Frasnian*.—FIG. 36a–b. \**H. proxilaminatum* (FAGERSTROM), holotype, UMMP36177, Formosa Reef Limestone, 4 km north of Formosa, Ontario, Canada; a, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$ ; b, tangential section,  $\times 10$  (new).—FIG. 37a–b. \**H. proxilaminatum* (FAGERSTROM), holotype, UMMP36177, Formosa Reef Limestone, 4 km north of Formosa, Ontario, Canada; a, longitudinal section showing microstructure and microlaminae,  $\times 25$ ; b, tangential section showing diffuse skeletal material of pillars,  $\times 25$  (new).

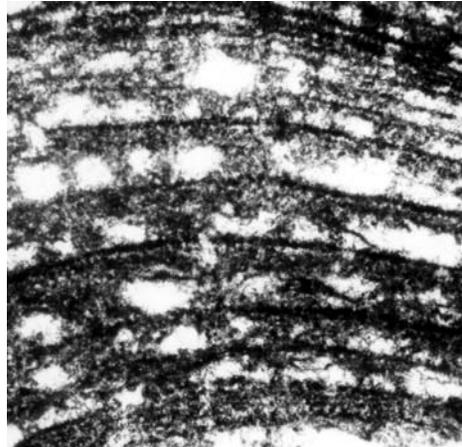
**Syringostroma** NICHOLSON, 1875, p. 251 [\**S. densum*; SD NICHOLSON, 1886, p. 98; holotype, NHM. P5598] [= *Stylodictyon* NICHOLSON & MURIE, 1878, p. 221–222 (type, *Syringostroma columnaris* NICHOLSON, 1875, p. 263, OD); GALLOWAY, 1957, p. 450; STEARN, 1966, p. 116]. Pachysteles short, irregular, coarsely cellular, without well-defined boundaries, irregular in shape in tangential section; subcolumns long, continuous, clinoreticular, round in tangential section; pachystromes persistent, thick, appearing cellular or acosmometricular, containing one or more microlaminae; dissepiments rare. [A great majority of species that have been assigned to this genus do not have the prominent subcolumns characteristic of the type species and should be assigned to other genera, notably *Coenostroma* and *Habrostroma* (STEARNS, 1993).] *Lower Devonian (Lochkovian)*–*Middle Devonian (Givetian)*: Canada (Arctic Island), *Lochkovian*; Canada (southern Ontario, Hudson Bay), USA (Michigan, Ohio), *Emsian–Eifelian*; USA (Missouri), *Middle Devonian*; USA (Indiana, Ohio), *Givetian*.—FIG. 38a–c. \**S. densum*; a–b, holotype, NHM. P5598, Corniferous limestone (Columbus Limestone), Kelley’s Island, Lake Erie, Ohio, USA; a, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$ ; b, tangential section, showing round cut ends of subcolumns,  $\times 10$ ; c, topotype, YPM 452617, longitudinal section showing loosely open microreticular microstructure,  $\times 50$  (new).

**Family PARALLELOSTROMATIDAE**  
**Bogoyavlenskaya, 1984**

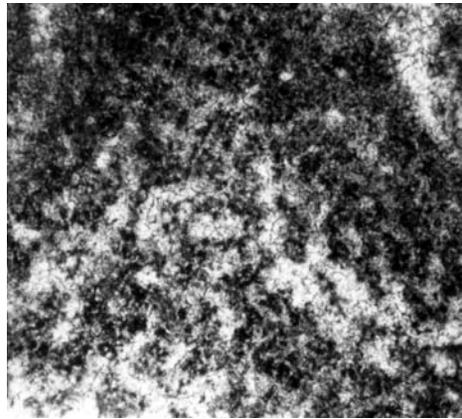
[Parallelostromatidae BOGOYAVLENSKAYA, 1984, p. 73]

Syringostromatida of laminar, bulbous, and domical growth forms with structure dominated by pachystromes and microlaminae; microstructure largely orthoreticular. *Silurian (Wenlock)*–*Middle Devonian (Givetian)*, *Upper Devonian (?Frasnian)*.

**Parallelostroma** NESTOR, 1966, p. 52 [\**Stromatopora typica* ROSEN, 1867, p. 58; OD; holotype,



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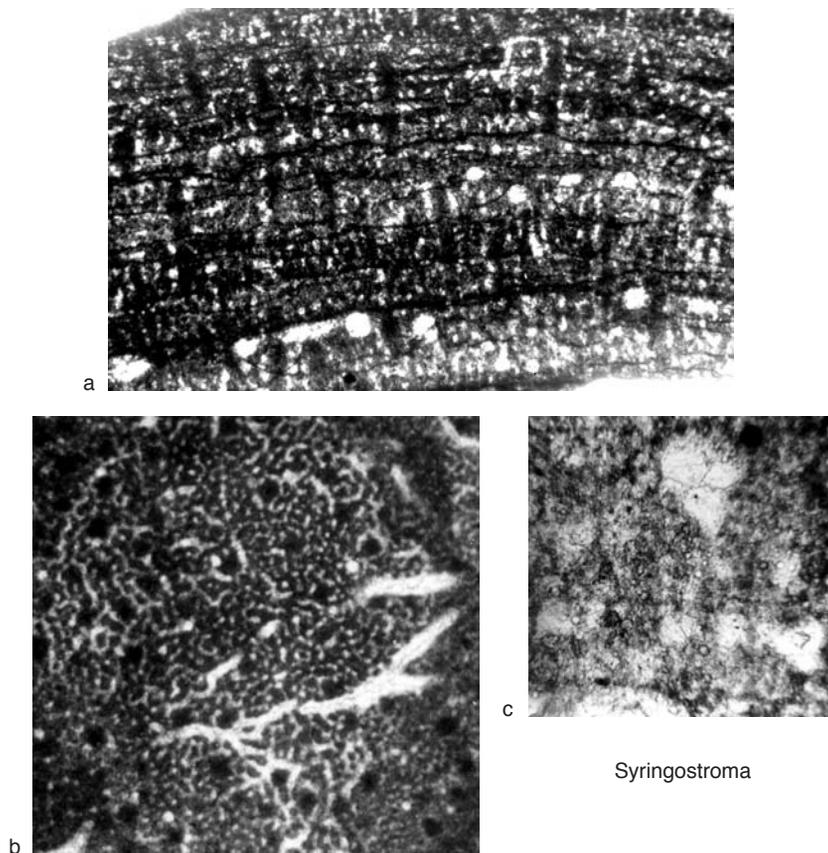


b

Habrostroma

FIG. 37. *Coenostromatidae* (p. 38–39).

IGTTU Co3009]. Pachystromes thick, composed of orthoreticular skeletal material enclosing multiple microlaminae and micropillars; short autotubes separate pachysteles at their base. Pachysteles of orthoreticular microstructure, largely confined to space between pachystromes, some superposed; in tangential section forming closed network penetrated by autotubes. *Silurian (Wenlock)*–*Lower Devonian, ?Middle Devonian, Upper Devonian (?Frasnian)*: Mongolia, Russia (Pechora Basin, Pre-Urals), Ukraine (Podolia), *Wenlock*; Canada (Quebec), China (Inner Mongolia) Estonia, Russia (eastern Urals), Sweden (Gotland), Ukraine (Podolia), USA (New York), *Ludlow–Pridoli*; Canada (Arctic Island), Estonia, Ukraine (Podolia), USA (New York), *Lochkovian*; China (Guangxi, Inner Mongolia, Sichuan), Russia (eastern Urals), *Lower Devonian*; China (Guangxi), Russia (western Urals, Arctic



Syringostroma

FIG. 38. Coenostromatidae (p. 39).

Island), ?*Middle Devonian*; China (Guangxi), ?*Frasnian*.—FIG. 39*a–d*. \**P. typicum* (ROSEN), holotype, IGTTU Co3009, Ludlow, Saaremaa, Estonia; *a*, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$ ; *b*, tangential section,  $\times 10$ ; *c*, longitudinal section showing orthoreticular microstructure,  $\times 25$ ; *d*, tangential section showing autotubes between pachyστεles,  $\times 25$  (new).

**Parallelopora** BARGATZKY, 1881a, p. 291 [\**P. ostiolata* BARGATZKY, 1881a, p. 292; OD; holotype, IPB 571b, also NHM. P5936 (slides 125); type illustrated by NICHOLSON (1886, pl. 2), LECOMPTE (1952 in 1951–1952, pl. 51)]. Pachyστεles long, continuous, branching and joining in longitudinal section, in tangential section mostly joined into closed network, enclosing autotubes; pachyστεs suppressed or absent; dissepiments abundant. Microstructure of pachyστεles coarsely microreticulate (orthoreticular), apparently formed of closely spaced, opaque micropillars and more

widely spaced, short microcolliculi. *Silurian* (*upper Ludlow*)–*Middle Devonian* (*Givetian*): Sweden (Scania, Gotland), *upper Ludlow*; Czech Republic (Bohemia), *Pragian*; Australia (Victoria), Canada (Arctic Island), *Emsian*; Canada (Arctic Island), Czech Republic (Bohemia), Morocco, USA (Indiana), *Eifelian*; Belgium (Ardennes), Canada (Manitoba), France (Boulonnais), Germany (Eifel, Rhineland, Sauerland), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin), *Givetian*; China (Guangxi, Hunan, Sichuan), Germany (Eifel), Russia (South Urals), *Middle Devonian*.—FIG. 40*a–d*. \**P. ostiolata*, holotype, slides NHM. P5936, Middle Devonian, Büchel, Eifel, Germany; *a*, longitudinal section of Nicholson's sample of holotype,  $\times 10$ ; *b*, tangential section, showing continuous network of pachyστεles,  $\times 10$ ; *c*, longitudinal section showing microstructure of micropillars,  $\times 50$ ; *d*, tangential section showing coarsely melanospheric microstructure,  $\times 50$  (Nestor, new).

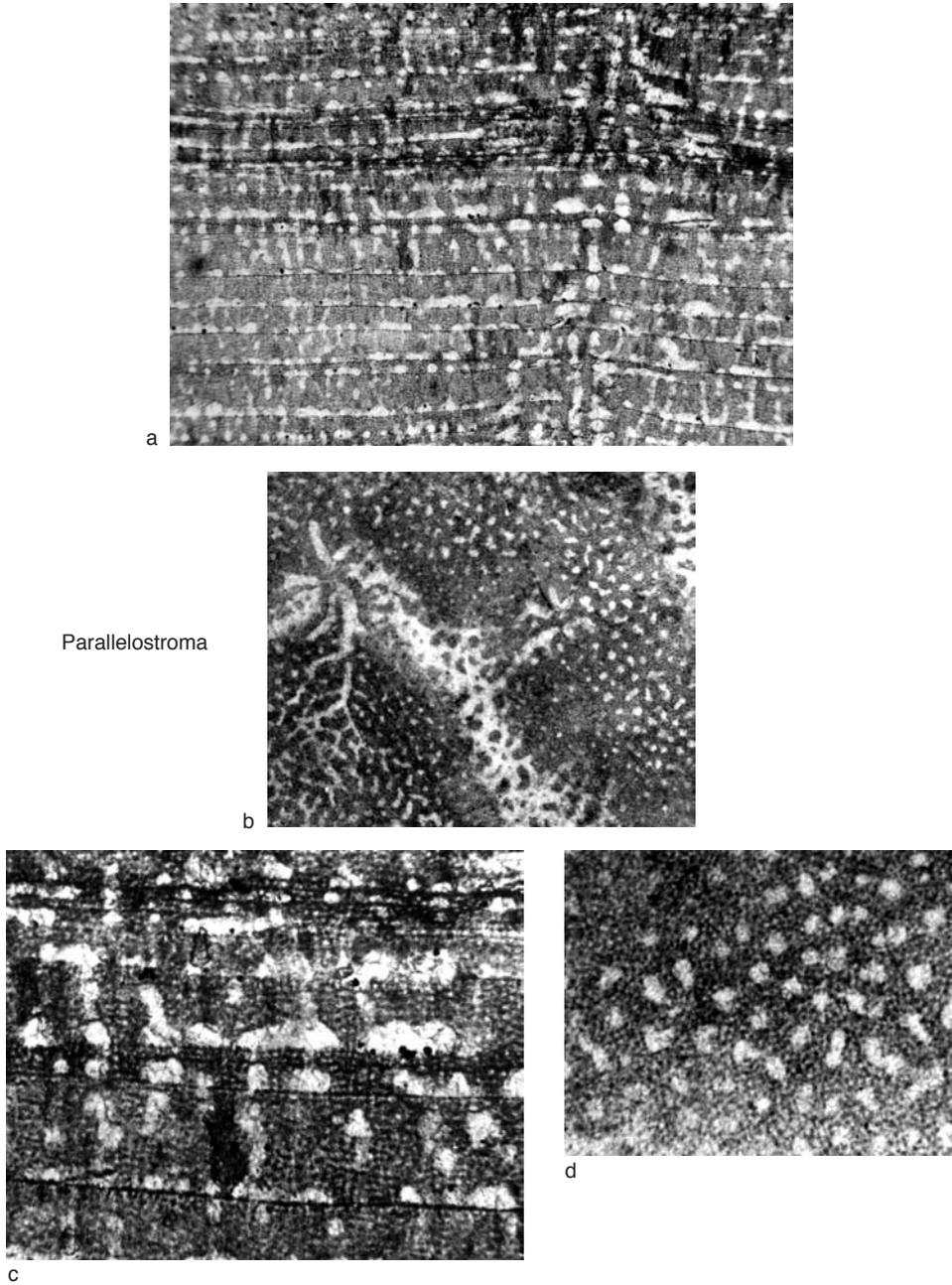
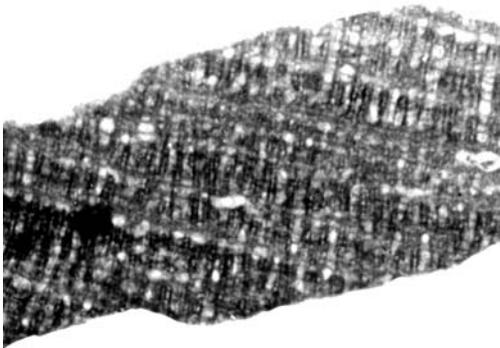
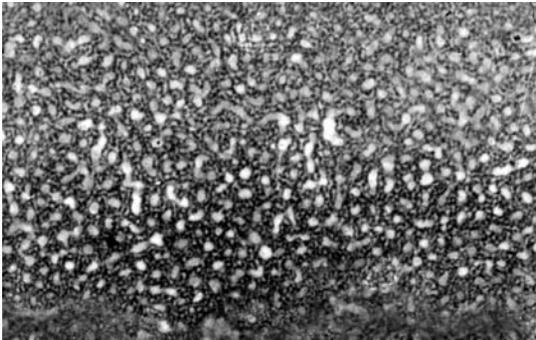


FIG. 39. Parallelostromatidae (p. 39–40).

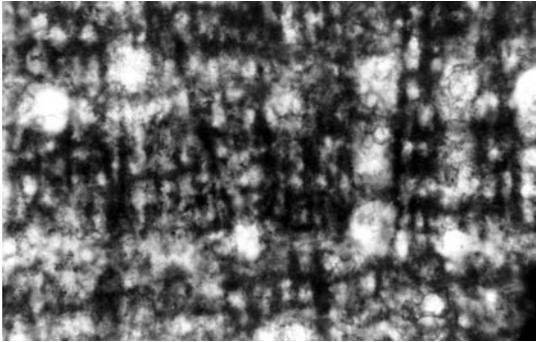


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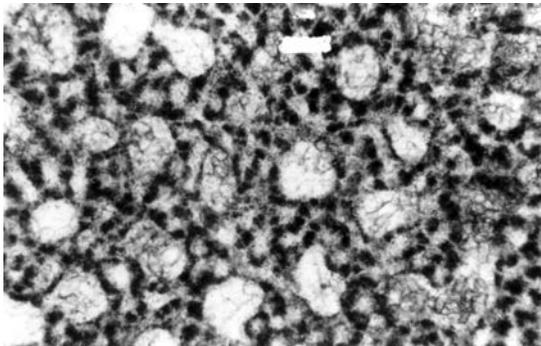


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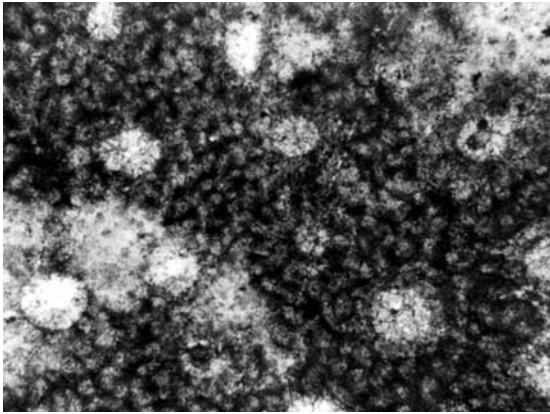
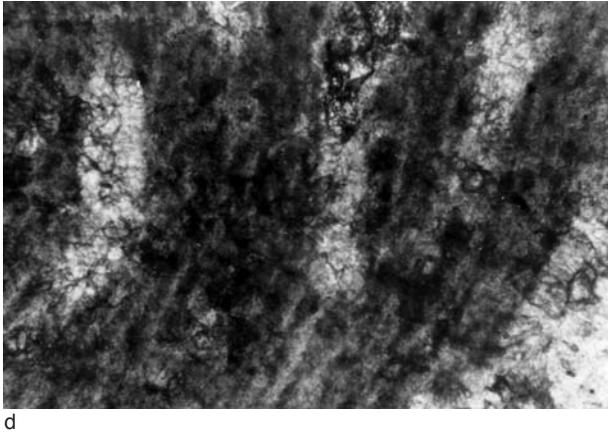
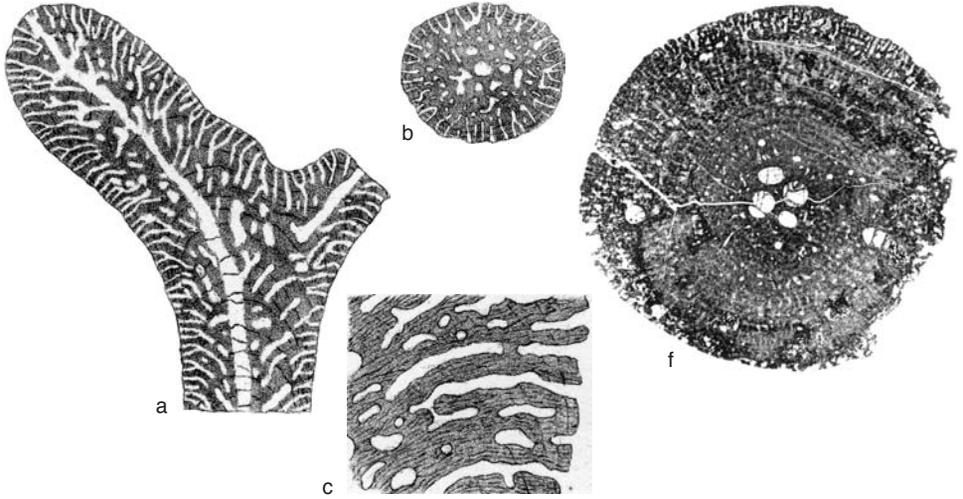


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FIG. 40. Parallelostromatidae (p. 40).



Stachyodes

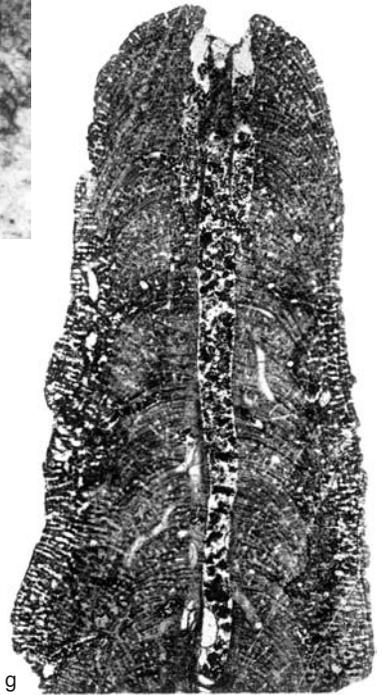


FIG. 41. Stachyoditidae (p. 44).

## Family STACHYODITIDAE Khromykh, 1967

[*nom. correct.* KHROMYKH, 1969, p. 36, *pro* Stachyodidae KHROMYKH, 1967, p. 67]

Syringostromida of almost exclusively dendroid growth form with structure of prominent pachyestes separated by allotubes and microlaminae. Microstructure obscurely microreticulate. *Lower Devonian* (?*Lochkovian*), *Middle Devonian* (*Eifelian*)—*Upper Devonian* (*Frasnian*, ?*Famennian*).

**Stachyodes** BARGATZKY, 1881b, p. 688, *non* WRIGHT & STUDER, 1889, p. 55, an alcyonarian according to MISTIAEN (1985, p. 192) and *nomen oblitum* [\**S. ramosa* BARGATZKY, 1881b, p. 691; OD; holotype specimen lost; synonymized by NICHOLSON, 1886, p. 107, with *Stromatopora verticillata* M'COY, 1850, p. 377, type specimen at Cambridge University, apparently lost] [= *Sphaerostroma* GÜRICH, 1896, p. 127 (type, *S. exiguum* GÜRICH, 1896, p. 128, OD); = *Stachyodella* DELAGE & HÉROUARD, 1901, p. 162, see MISTIAEN, 1985, p. 192 for discussion of synonymy; = *Keega* WRAY, 1967, p. 18 (type, *K. australe*, OD), see RIDING, 1974, for discussion of synonymy]. Growth form in most species dendroid, rarely laminar or combination of laminar growing into erect branches; with axial canal, or canals, crossed by tabulae. Smaller canals and pachyestes separated by allotubes radiating upward and outward to periphery in dendroid forms. Structure defined by canals, allotubes, and autotubes cut in axial parts of transverse sections as round and irregular voids and at periphery as irregular radial canals opening at margin (and covered in best-preserved specimens by an enveloping, thin, skeletal sheath). Peripheral allotubes separating irregular, radial pachyestes. Structure traversed by dark microlaminae parallel to successive growth surfaces, forming concentric rings only in peripheral zone of transverse sections, and parabolas in longitudinal sections. Structural elements thick, occupying most of the skeleton, microreticulate in well-preserved specimens, more commonly appearing striated, with vacuoles in some species, commonly recrystallized to diagenetic fibrous microstructures. [In the absence of both possible type specimens, most research workers have accepted NICHOLSON's interpretation that *S. ramosa* and *S. verticillata* are the same species and have recognized the genus on the basis of his descriptions and illustrations.] *Lower Devonian* (?*Lochkovian*), *Middle Devonian* (*Eifelian*)—*Upper Devonian* (*Frasnian*, ?*Famennian*): Australia (New South Wales), ?*Lochkovian*; Afghanistan, Kara-Kalpak, China (Guangxi, Sichuan, Hunan), England (Devon), Germany (Eifel), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin, Pechora Basin, Urals, Pre-Urals), Uzbekistan, *Middle Devonian*; Belgium (Ardennes), Tien Shan, China (Qinghai), Germany (Sauerland), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin),

Vietnam, *Eifelian*; Afghanistan, Australia (Canning Basin, Queensland), Belgium (Ardennes), Canada (Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba), China (Guangxi, Guizhou, southern Qinghai), Czech Republic (Moravia), Germany (Eifel), Russia (Kuznetsk Basin), Thailand, USA (Missouri), *Givetian*; Afghanistan, Australia (Canning Basin, Queensland), Belgium (Ardennes), Canada (Alberta, Saskatchewan), Tien Shan, Zeravshan Ridge, China (Guangxi, Guizhou, Yunnan), Czech Republic (Bohemia), France (Boulonnais), Germany (Rhineland), Iran (Kerman), Poland (Holy Cross Mountains), Russia (northeastern Siberia, Pechora Basin, Timan), USA (Iowa, Missouri), Vietnam, *Frasnian*; Russia (western Pre-Urals), ?*Famennian*.—FIG. 41a–g. \**S. verticillata* (M'COY); a–e, *Middle Devonian*, Hebborn, Eifel, Germany, NICHOLSON's slide 397, NHM. P6069; a–b, axial and transverse section, ×1; c, longitudinal section of peripheral zone showing pachyestes and striation, ×12 (Nicholson, 1886); d–e, longitudinal and tangential sections showing striated microstructure of pachyestes, ×50 (new); f–g, axial and transverse sections of hypotype, IRScNB5254, *Givetian*, Olloy, Ardennes, Belgium, ×3 (Lecompte, 1952 in 1951–1952).

## Order AMPHIPORIDA Rukhin, 1938

[*nom. transl.* WEBBY, STEARN, & ZHEN, 1993, p. 174, *ex* Amphiporidae RUKHIN, 1938 p. 90]

Stromatoporoids of dominantly dendroid form composed of compact to fibrous, single layer skeletal elements, commonly arranged in irregular amalgamate networks but also in pillars radiating upward and outward from growth axis, with or without axial canals, obscure laminae, and peripheral sheaths enclosing skeleton. ?*middle Silurian*, *upper Silurian* (*Ludlow*)—*Upper Devonian* (*upper Famennian*).

### Family AMPHIPORIDAE Rukhin, 1938

[Amphiporidae RUKHIN, 1938, p. 90]

Diagnosis as for order. ?*middle Silurian*, *upper Silurian* (*Ludlow*)—*Upper Devonian* (*upper Famennian*).

**Amphipora** SCHULZ, 1883, p. 245 [\**Caunopora ramosa* PHILLIPS, 1841, p. 19, SD STEARN, 1997, p. 839; holotype lost, neotype, NHM. P0308, sections A1 to A6] [= *Haraamphipora* RUKHIN, 1938, p. 93 (type, *H. pachyroides*, OD); = *Vicinustachyodes* YAVORSKY, 1961, p. 56 (type, *V. mirabilis*, OD); = *Vicinostachyodes* YAVORSKY, 1967, p. 38, *lapsus calami pro* *Vicinustachyodes*; = *Stellopora* BOGOYAVLENSKAYA, 1972, p. 27 (type, *Amphipora intexta*

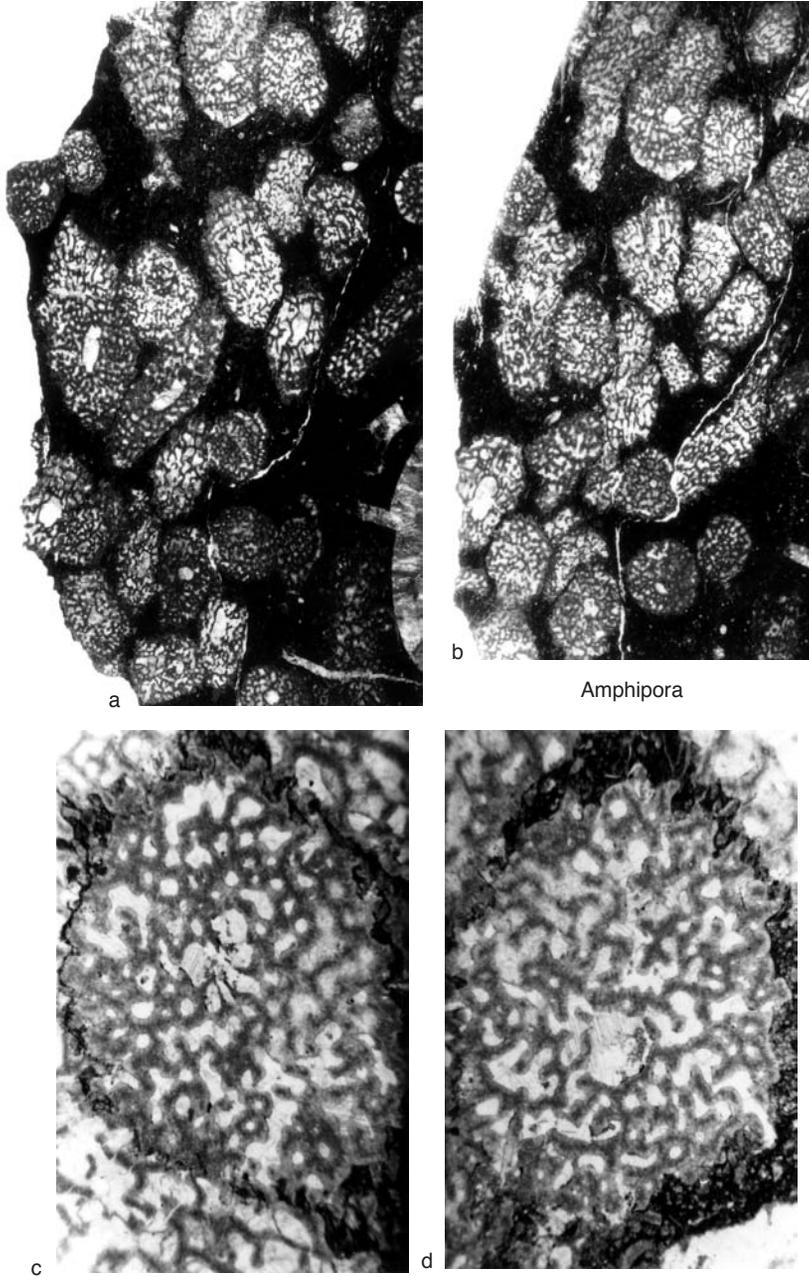
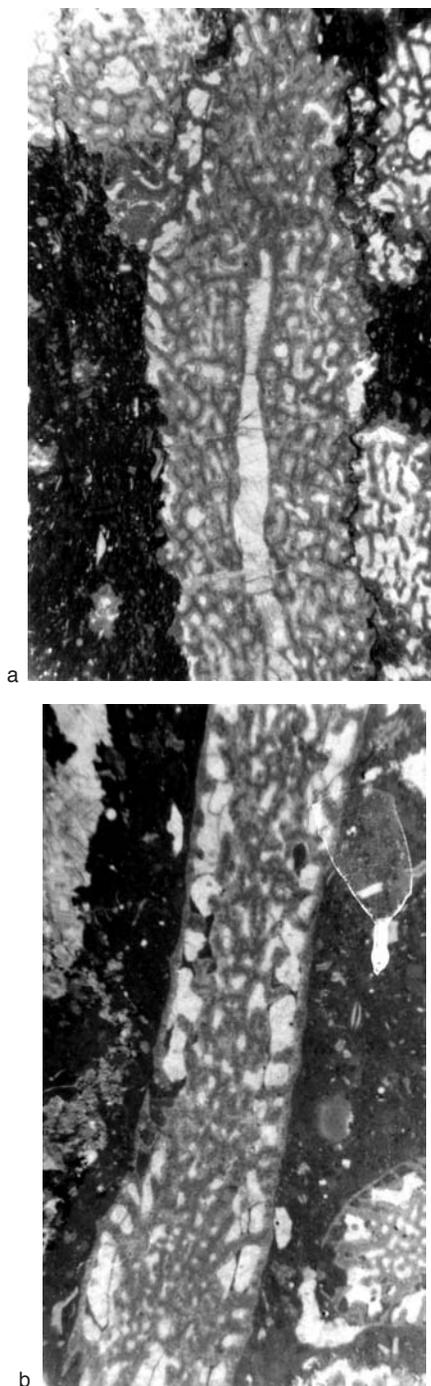


FIG. 42. Amphiporidae (p. 44–46).

YAVORSKY, 1957, p. 62, OD), see WEBBY, STEARN, & ZHEN, 1993, p. 174–176 for discussion of date; = *Taeniosstroma* DONG & WANG, 1982, p. 29 (type, *T. yunnanense*, OD); = *Columndictyon* DONG & WANG, 1982, p. 29 (type, *C. regulare* DONG & WANG, 1982, p. 30, OD); = *Tianshanostroma* DONG

& WANG, 1984, p. 269 (type, *T. xinjiangense* DONG & WANG, 1984, p. 269–270, OD); = *Qinghaipora* DONG, 1991, p. 75 (type, *Q. gracilentia*, OD)] [STEARNS (1997) discussed the choice of a neotype and the variations in the neotype suite that justify placing in synonymy the genera listed above.]



Amphipora

FIG. 43. Amphiporidae (p. 44–46).

Skeleton dendroid, branching dichotomously, with axial canal locally absent, locally with well-defined wall, locally poorly defined, opening into interskeletal network of voids and irregular canals by pores. Skeletal network formed by pillars radiating upward and outward obliquely from axis, and short elements extending from and joining them to form an irregular structure that may, in transverse sections, define open or closed spaces. Peripheral sheaths sporadically developed in most species, as an imperforate, thin, skeletal wall supported beyond skeletal network by extensions of skeletal elements. Microstructure compact, fibrous. [The plethora of Middle and Upper Devonian occurrences and published species make the listing of their distribution impractical here.] ?*middle Silurian*, upper *Silurian (Ludlow)*–*Upper Devonian (upper Famennian)*: Russia (Belyj Island), ?*middle Silurian*; Estonia, Russia (Urals, Kuznetsk Basin, central Siberia, Timan), Sweden (Gotland), Tien Shan, *Ludlow*; Canada (Arctic Island), China (Xinjiang), Russia (central and eastern Siberia, Salair, Kuznetsk Basin), Tien Shan, USA (Alaska), *Lower Devonian*; cosmopolitan at lower paleolatitudes, *Middle Devonian*; cosmopolitan at lower paleolatitudes, *Frasnian*; China (Guangxi), Russia (Pechora Basin), *Famennian*; Belgium, northeastern France, Germany (Sittard), *upper Famennian* or *Strunian*.—FIG. 42a–d. \**A. ramosa* (PHILLIPS), neotype, NHM. P0308, Chercombe Bridge Limestone, near Newton Abbott, Devon, England; a–b, two sections through neotype stem showing variations in skeletal network and central canal,  $\times 10$  (new).—FIG. 43a–b. \**A. ramosa* (PHILLIPS), neotype, NHM. P0308, Chercombe Bridge Limestone, near Newton Abbott, Devon, England; a, longitudinal section from neotype suite showing axial canal, pillars, and peripheral sheath on only one side,  $\times 10$ ; b, axial to tangential section of stem from neoparatype, NHM. P0310, showing peripheral sheaths and well-developed pillars,  $\times 10$  (new).

**Clathrodictyella** BOGOVAVLENSKAYA, 1965a, p. 42 [\**Amphipora turkestanica* LESSOVAJA, 1962, p. 117; OD; holotype, GMU 46/489]. Similar to *Amphipora* in axial canal and peripheral sheaths, but in axial section, structural elements are gently arched, crumpled laminae or cysts, arranged in parabolic series transverse to axial canal. *Silurian (Ludlow)*: Russia (eastern Urals), Uzbekistan (Tien Shan).—FIG. 44a–b. \**C. turkestanica* (LESSOVAJA), holotype, GMU 46/489, Bankoviy horizon, eastern slope of Urals, axial and transverse sections,  $\times 10$  (new).

**Euryamphipora** KLOVAN, 1966, p. 14 [\**E. platyformis*; OD; holotype, GSC 19834] [=?*Solidostroma* KHROMYKH, 1974, p. 30 (type, *S. congesta*, OD)]. Growth form tabular, platelike; structure amalgamate in longitudinal section, with peripheral sheaths, may have long pillars evident in sections parallel to plate axes. [KLOVAN (1966) and MISTIAEN (1985) described the genus as growing as a hori-



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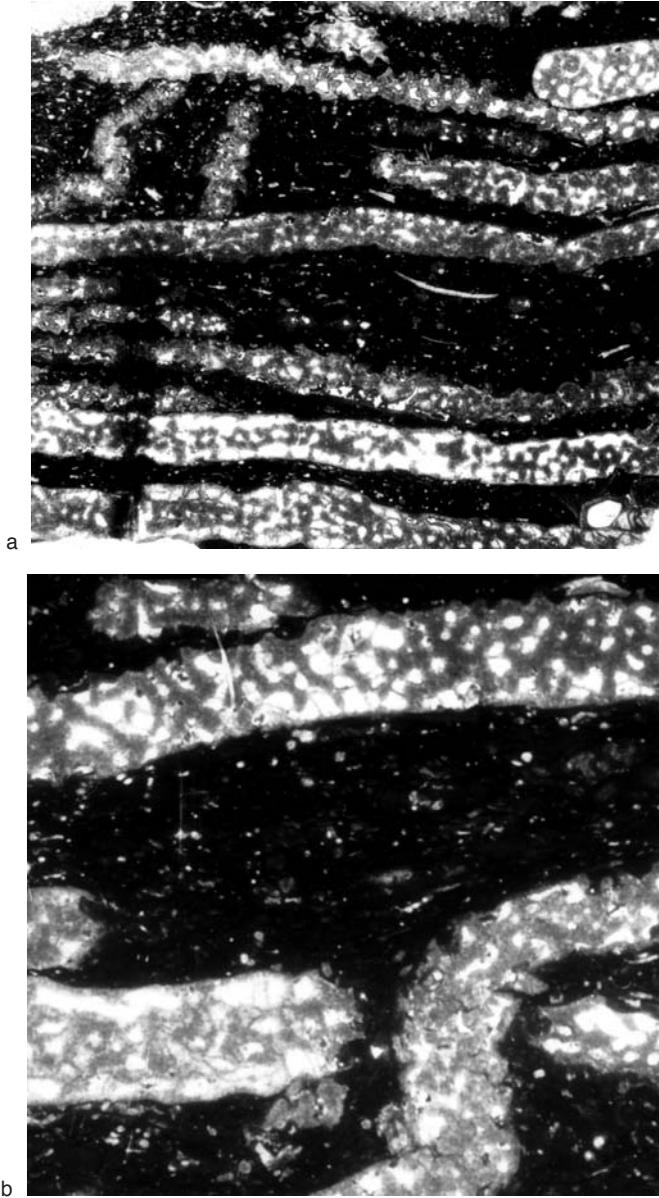
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FIG. 44. Amphiporidae (p. 46).

zontal plate; COCKBAIN (1984) reconstructed the skeleton as a vertical plate.] *Middle Devonian (Givetian)–Upper Devonian (Frasnian)*: Australia (Queensland), France (Boulonnais), *Givetian*; Afghanistan, Australia (West Australia), Canada (Alberta, Saskatchewan), *Frasnian*.—FIG. 45*a–b*. \**E. platyformis*, holotype, GSC 19834, Leduc Formation, Redwater Field, Alberta, Canada; *a*, longitudinal section showing laminar growth form,  $\times 5$ ; *b*, longitudinal section showing amalgamate appearance and flexing of skeleton,  $\times 10$  (new).—FIG. 46*a–b*. \**E. platyformis*, holotype, GSC 19834, Leduc Formation, Redwater Field,

Alberta, Canada; *a*, longitudinal section showing peripheral sheaths,  $\times 10$ ; *b*, tangential section showing pillars at edge of skeleton and amalgamate structure,  $\times 10$  (new).

*Novitella* BOGOYAVLENSKAYA in BOGOYAVLENSKAYA & DAN'SHINA, 1984, p. 22 [\**Paramphipora tchussovensis* YAVORSKY, 1955, p. 159; OD; holotype, CNIGR 7351/136]. Similar to *Amphipora* but with prominent, gently arched laminae in axial sections. *Upper Devonian (Frasnian)*: Russia (Tsaritsin, now Volgograd region, eastern and western Urals).—FIG. 47*a–b*. \**N. tchussovensis* (YAVORSKY), CNIGR 7351/136, Askyanian horizon,

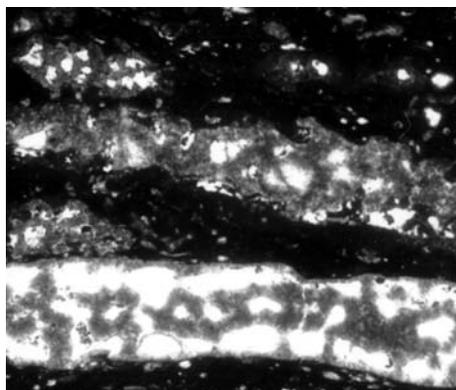


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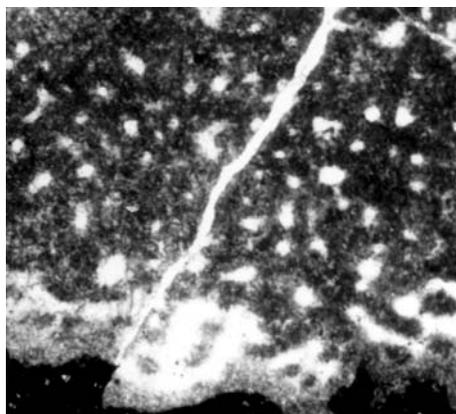
FIG. 45. Amphiporidae (p. 46–47).

Chusovaya River, western slope of Urals, transverse and axial to oblique transverse sections,  $\times 10$  (Yavorsky, 1955).

**Paramphipora** YAVORSKY, 1955, p. 154 [*\*P. mirabilis*; OD; holotype, CNIGR 7351/236] [= *Vacuustroma* NGUYEN HUNG & MISTIAEN, 1997, p. 193 (type, *V. michelini* NGUYEN HUNG & MISTIAEN, 1997, p. 198, OD)]. Similar to *Amphipora* in structure but with skeletal elements of vacuolate microstructure without central axis. [Although several writers (KLOVAN, 1966; STEARN, 1966, 1997; FLÜGEL & FLÜGEL-KÄHLER, 1968; COCKBAIN, 1984; MISTIAEN, 1988) have questioned the validity of YAVORSKY's genus because it was based on the absence of an axial dark line in the skeletal elements that they considered subject to diagenesis, YAVORSKY insisted (1968, 1969, 1971) that it was equally distinguished by vacuolate microstructure. Since the only characters separating both *Paramphipora* and *Vacuustroma* from *Amphipora* are the lack of the axial line and the presence of vacuoles, the latter (*Vacuustroma*) is listed as a junior synonym here. Nearly all the more than 60 species that have been ascribed to *Paramphipora* are found in Russia and China only. Because the diagnoses and types of these species have not been individually examined to see whether they conform to YAVORSKY's definition, the list of occurrences is based on the original generic assignments and should be regarded as tentative.] *Silurian* (?Wenlock, Ludlow)—*Upper Devonian*: Russia (Belyj Island), ?Wenlock; Russia (northwestern Kuznetsk Basin, Salair, western Pre-Urals, Ulachan Sis), Ludlow; Russia (northeastern Siberia, Salair), Uzbekistan, Vietnam, *Lower Devonian*; Kara Kalpaksk, China (Guizhou, Guangxi), Russia (Tyrgan), Turkey, *Middle Devonian*; France (Boulonnais), Russia (Lochitina Sea, northern Pre-Urals, western Pre-Urals, Kuznetsk Basin, Pechora Basin, Urals, River Chusovaya), Vietnam, *Frasnian*; Russia (Pechora Basin, western Pre-Urals), ?*Famennian*; Russia (Urals, River Ai), Vietnam, *Givetian*; China (Guangxi), *Upper Devonian*.—FIG. 48a. *\*P. mirabilis*, holotype, CNIGR 7351/236, Ludlow, River Chernevaya, Salair, axial to tangential sections showing vacuolate skeletal material,  $\times 10$  (Yavorsky, 1955).—FIG. 48b–e. *P. michelini* (NGUYEN HUNG & MISTIAEN), Beaulieu Formation, Frasnian, Boulonnais, France; b, holotype, transverse section, GFCL 1507, showing vacuolate microstructure,  $\times 20$ ; c, holotype, drawing of transverse section,  $\times 13$ ; d, hypotype, drawing of transverse section, GFCL 1490,  $\times 13$ ; e, paratype, drawing of axial section, GFCL 149,  $\times 13$  (Nguyen Hung & Mistiaen, 1997).



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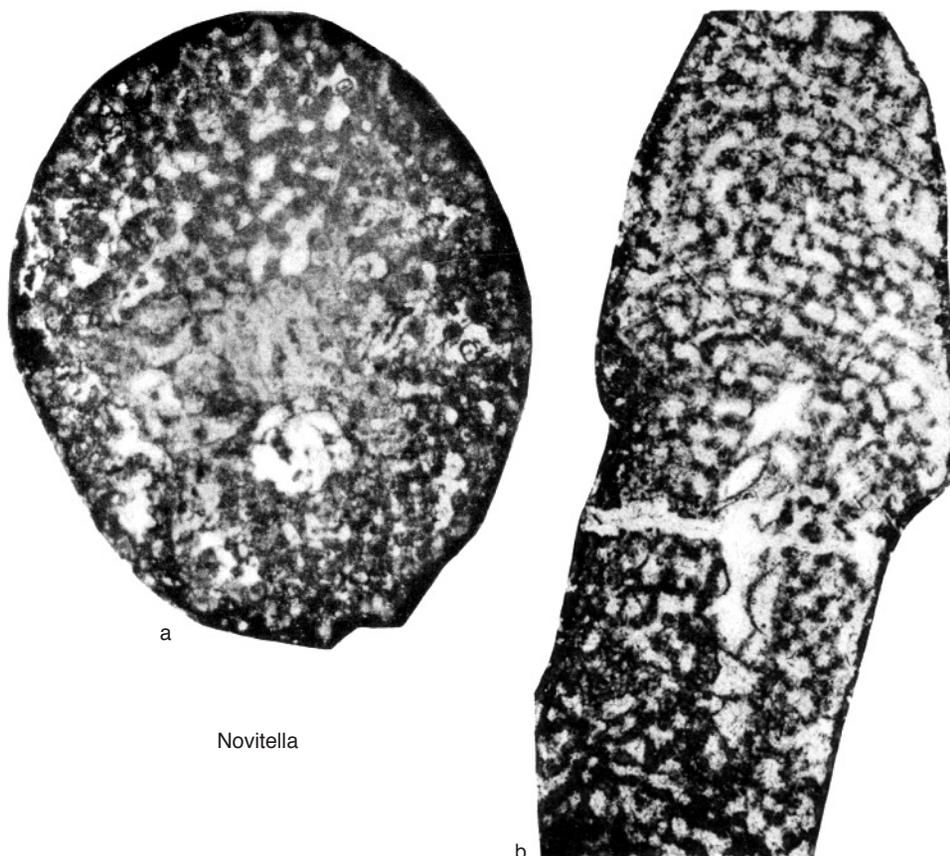
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FIG. 46. Amphiporidae (p. 46–47).

## ORDER AND FAMILY UNCERTAIN

**Clavidictyon** SUGIYAMA, 1939, p. 441 [*\*C. columnare*; OD; holotype, Tōhoku University, Sendai, 60,813]. Columnar, without axial canal, amalgamate in axial zone but with well-defined laminae and short pillars confined to interlaminar space in peripheral zone. Compact microstructure. [Some characteristics suggest affinity to the clathrodictyids, others to the amphiporids.] *middle Silurian–Upper Devonian* (upper *Famennian*): Japan, *middle Silurian*; USA



Novitella

FIG. 47. Amphiporidae (p. 47–49).

(Michigan), *Middle Devonian*; China (Guangxi), *upper Famennian*.—FIG. 49a–c. \**C. columnare*, holotype, 60,813, middle Silurian, Hikororoitimura, Japan; a, longitudinal sections, from type slide,  $\times 6$ ; b, transverse section, showing few laminae,  $\times 10$ ; c, transverse section showing well-defined laminae,  $\times 10$  (new).

**Eostachyodes** DONG & WANG, 1982, p. 28 [\**E. compacta*; OD; holotype, NIGP 61351–61352]. Columnar growth form, without axial canal, structural elements in axial zone completely amalgamate, peripheral zone with pachystele-like elements; microstructure fibrous or melanospheric. [DONG and WANG (1982) placed the genus in the Idiostromatidae. DONG (1988) placed it in the Stachyoditidae. It differs from *Stachyodes* in lacking an axial canal, the extreme difference between axial and peripheral parts of the skeleton, and in its microstructure.] *Middle Devonian*: China (Yunnan).—FIG. 50, 1a–c. \**E. compacta*, holotype, NIGP61351–52, Gumu Formation, Wenshan, longitudinal and transverse sections,  $\times 5$  (Dong, 2001).

**Lamellistroma** BOGOYAVLENSKAYA, 1977, p. 17 [\**L. lamelliferum* BOGOYAVLENSKAYA, 1977, p. 18; OD; holotype, SOAN 1089/101]. Thin, compact pillars and laminae forming regular, closely spaced grid. Pillars round in tangential section. [BOGOYAVLENSKAYA (1977) placed this genus in the family Densastromatidae, but STEARN (1980) placed it in synonymy with *Actinostroma*. Other possibilities are *Coenostroma*, *Gerronostroma*, or *Densastroma*.] *Lower Devonian (Lochkovian)–Middle Devonian (Eifelian)*: Russia (eastern Urals), *Lochkovian*; Russia (eastern trans-Urals), *Pragian–Emsian*; Russia (eastern Urals), *Eifelian*.—FIG. 50, 2a–b. \**L. lamelliferum*, holotype, 1089/101, Tal'tiiskii horizon, Eifelian, River Saumy, eastern slope of Urals, Russia, longitudinal and tangential sections,  $\times 10$  (Nestor, new).

**Paschkoviella** KOSAREVA, 1979, p. 43 [\**P. aequicrassa*; OD; holotype, location of type specimen uncertain]. Spool-shaped pillars, superposed, and extensive laminae, locally with axial light zone. Microstructure finely porous. *Middle Devonian (Eifelian)*:

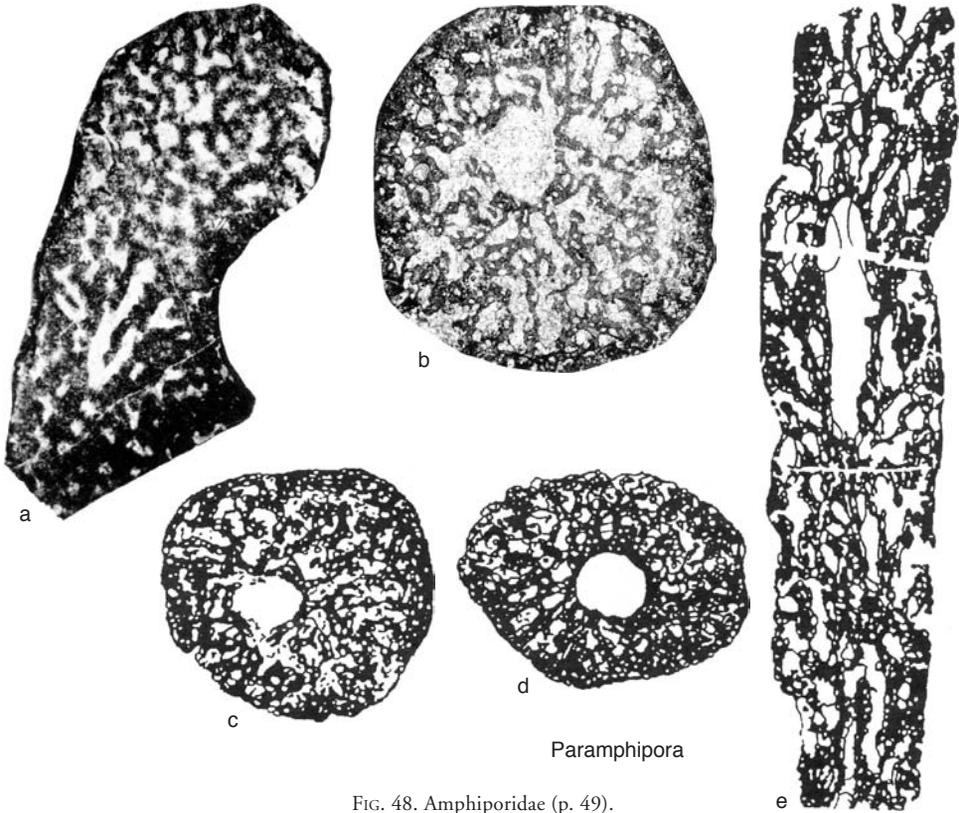


FIG. 48. Amphiporidae (p. 49).

Russia (River Zolotukha).—FIG. 50,3a–b. \**P. aequicrassa*; holotype, longitudinal and tangential sections,  $\times 10$  (Kosareva, 1979).

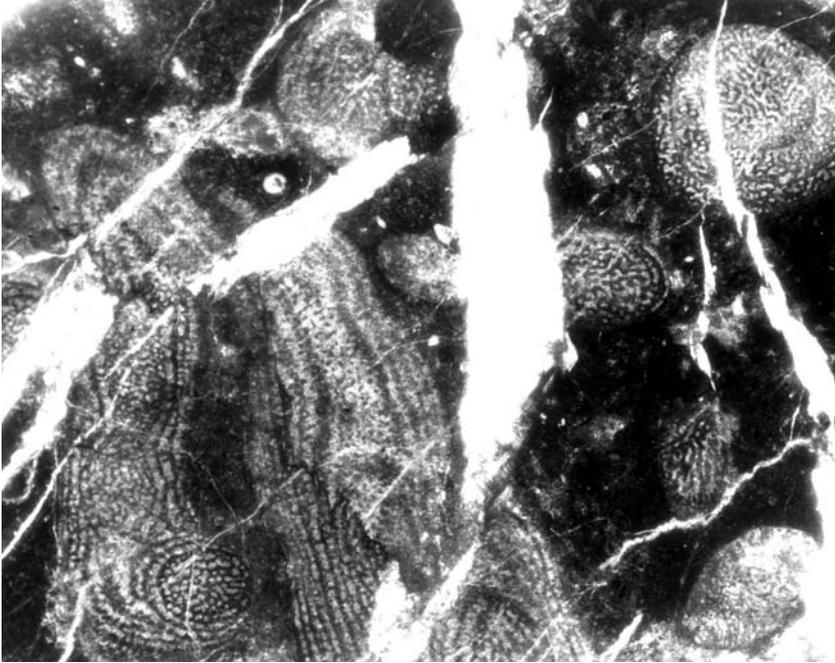
**Perplexostroma** BOGOYAVLENSKAYA, 1981, p. 32 [\**Stromatopora dzvenigorodensis* RIABININ, 1953, p. 51; OD; VNIGRI 153]. Pillars long, sinuous, anastomosing; tangential elements largely dissepiments. [This genus is probably synonymous with *Vikingia* on the basis that the type species *S. dvenigorodensis* RIABININ is a species of *Vikingia* comparable to *V. tenuis* (NESTOR), and the specimens illustrated by BOGOYAVLENSKAYA (1981, pl. 23,2; pl. 24,1) are not conspecific with the designated type species.] *Silurian* (Ludlow–Pridoli): Ukraine (Podolia).—FIG. 51,1a–b. \**P. dzvenigorodense* (RIABININ), holotype, VNIGRI 153, lower Ludlow, River Dneister, longitudinal and tangential sections,  $\times 10$  (Riabinin, 1953).

**Praeidiostroma** BOGOYAVLENSKAYA, 1971, p. 108 [\**P. praecox*; OD; holotype, SOAN 38a/982]. Dendroid growth form with axial canal branching into smaller canals. Pillars and laminae thin, long, apparently compact. [The type species appears to be a dendroid form of *Gerronostroma* with an axial canal.] *Silurian* (Ludlow): Russia (eastern slope of Urals).—FIG.

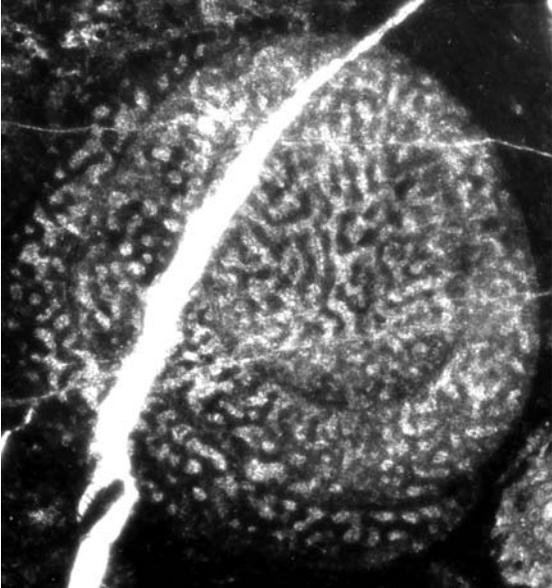
52,1a–b. \**P. praecox*, holotype, 38a/982, axial and transverse sections,  $\times 10$  (Nestor, new).

**Pseudoactinostroma** LESSOVAJA, 1970, p. 81 [\**P. hamidulense* LESSOVAJA, 1970, p. 82; OD; holotype, GMU 13/493]. Pillars confined to interlaminar space, compact, branching and joining, locally forming intermediate laminae; laminae extensive, widely spaced, formed of colliculi from pillars, making hexactinellid network in tangential section. [The laminae are much like those of an actinostromatid.] *Middle Devonian* (Eifelian): Central Asia (Zeravshan Mountains).—FIG. 51,2a–b. \**P. hamidulense*, holotype, 38a/982, longitudinal and tangential sections,  $\times 10$  (Nestor, new).

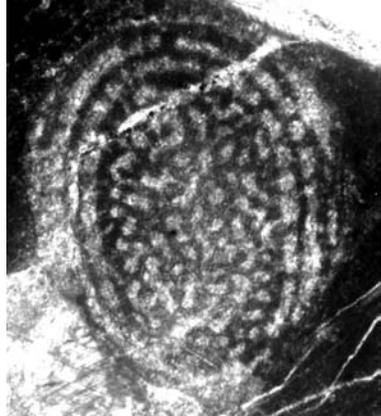
?**Pseudostromatopora** DONG, 1991, p. 70 [\**P. yushuensis* DONG, 1991, p. 71; OD; holotype, NIGP 91933]. Structure irregular of dominant pachy-steles, locally forming amalgamate network, cut as isolated masses of irregular outline in tangential section, separated by allotubes, cellular to diffuse in microstructure; tangential elements largely dissepiments. [The genus is a homonym of *Pseudostromatopora* SIMIONESCU, 1926, a bryozoan, and requires a new name.] *Middle Devonian–Upper Devonian*: China (Qinghai, Tibet).—FIG.



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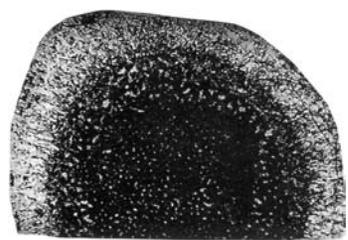
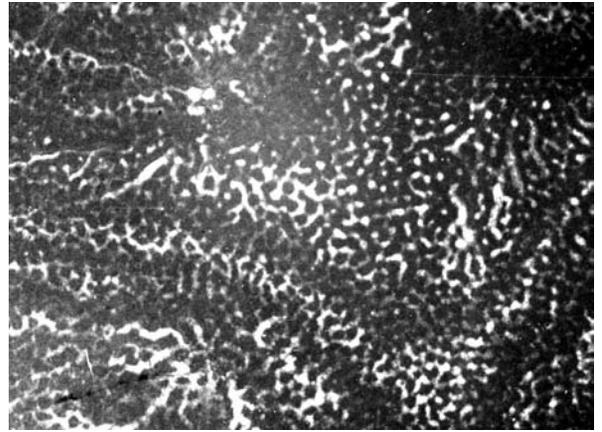
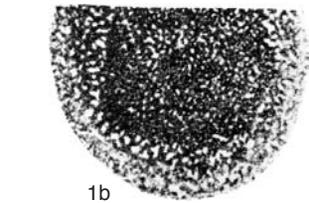
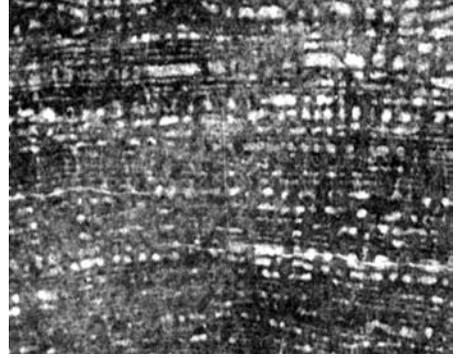
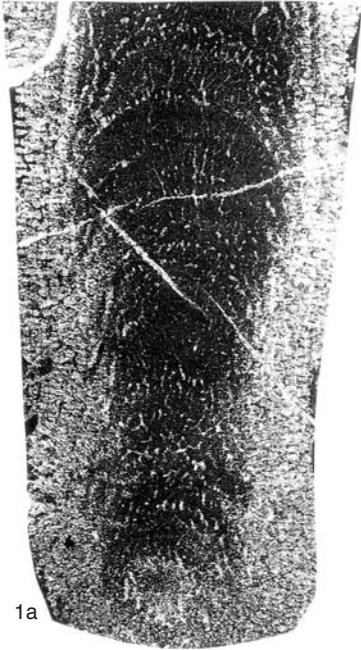
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Clavdictyon

FIG. 49. Uncertain (p. 49–50).



2b  
Lamellistroma



Eostachyodes

Paschkoviella

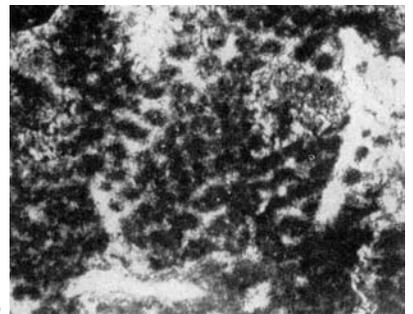
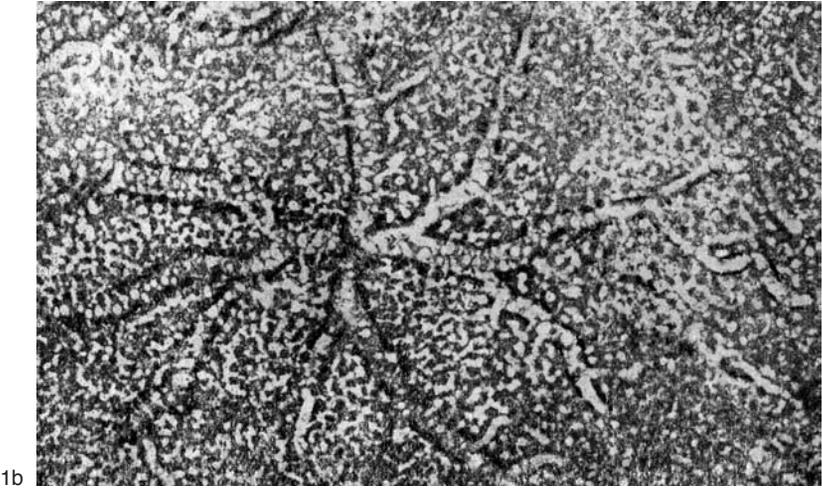
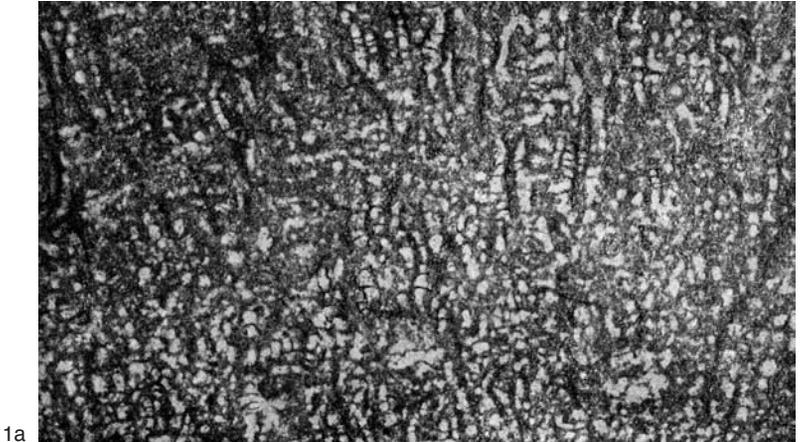
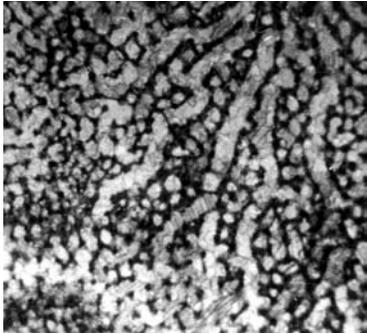
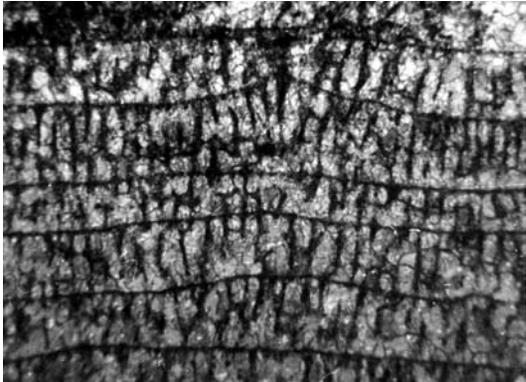


FIG. 50. Uncertain (p. 50–51).

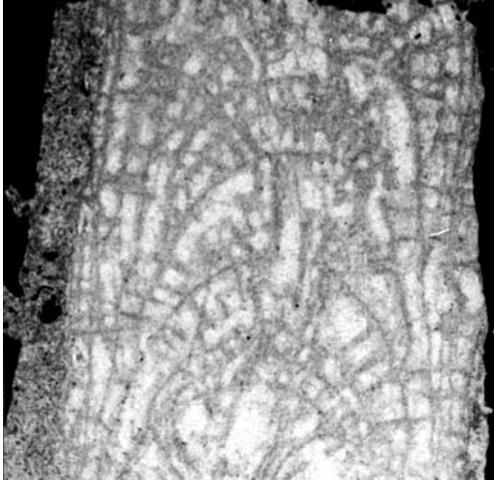


Perplexostroma



Pseudoactinostroma

FIG. 51. Uncertain (p. 51).

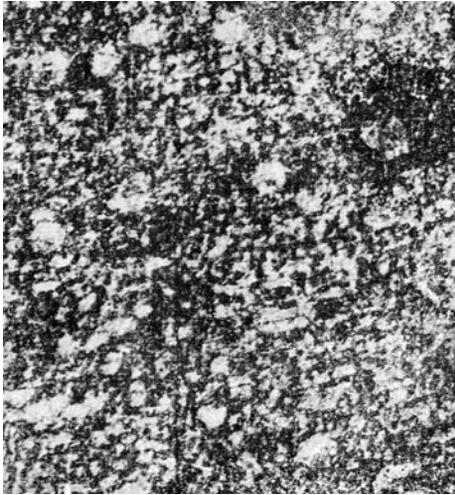


1a

Praeidiostroma



1b

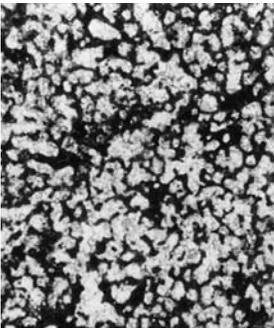


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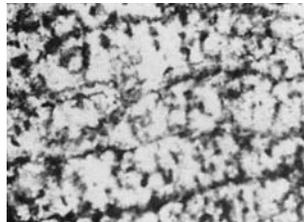


2b

Pseudostromatopora



3b



3a

Taymyrostroma

FIG. 52. Uncertain (p. 51–56).

52,2a–b. \**P. yushuensis*, holotype, 91933ab, Xiongqin Formation, southern Qinghai, China, longitudinal and tangential sections,  $\times 10$  (Dong, 2001).

**Taymyrostroma** KHROMYKH, 2001, p. 13 [\**T. taymyrensis*; OD; holotype, TsGM 2022/4]. Laminae thin, compact, single layer, extensive; longitudinal structural elements (possibly pillars) highly irregular, confined to interlaminar space, rarely extending directly across interlaminar space, forming a tangled mass in longitudinal section; thin, compact, in tangential section forming an irregular, fine meshwork enclosing rounded galleries; astrophorizae well developed, superposed. [Although placed in the Lophiostromatidae by KHROMYKH (2001), this genus is unlike the other genera in the family or any other late Ordovician stromatoporoid in its complex pillar structure between extensive thin laminae. In these features, it shows convergence with such younger genera such as *Intexodictyon* and *Atelodictyon*.] *Upper Ordovician (Katian)*: Russia (Taimyr Peninsula).—FIG. 52,3a–b. \**T. taymyrensis*, holotype, TsGM 2022/4, left bank of Parnaya River, Siberia, Burskii horizon, Nyun'skaya Subformation; *a*, longitudinal section,  $\times 10$ ; *b*, tangential section,  $\times 10$  (Khromykh, 2001).

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