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# News from the Membership

**Françoise Bigey.** Dear Friends, As you know, I left my academic duties in Paris University (Pierre & Marie Curie). Since, I joined the National Museum of Natural History as a volunteer in Paleontology. So, my official new title is 'Attaché au MNHN'. You could see my new affiliation in the documents of the last IBA Conference held in Kiel.. Now, I work (half-time) as a member of the curators team of Invertebrates fossils. Therefore, I may be of some help to colleagues interested in collections, as I have already done. My new email address is <u>fpbigey@orange.fr</u>.

**Hans De Blauwe.** After two Larwood meetings, this was my first IBA conference. It is so nice to meet all this people with the same passion: bryozoans! I am sure that our knowledge benefits from the talks and our personal communications resulting in collaborations. I learned about the aspect of bryozoology that keeps you busy. This resulted already in exchanging samples and literature. After my study of the Belgian bryozoans, I may enlarge my view and thanks to Urszula maybe even as far as Antarctica. I probably have access to a large sample from there soon.

I brought three copies of my book to the congress and they were gone within five minutes. I learned that some of you had difficulties in ordering my book in the past. You can order it by email at info@vliz.be. **Title: Mosdiertjes van de Zuidelijke bocht van de Noordzee: Determinatiewerk voor België en Nederland** Author: Hans De Blauwe Published: 2009 Editor: Vlaams Instituut voor de Zee (VLIZ): Oostende, Belgium ISBN 978-90-812-9003-6 445 pages You can find additions to and errors in the book on my website: http://www.marinespecies.org/deblauwehans/errata.php Hope to meet you soon on the next meeting or congress, Hans

**Steve Hageman** announces that copies of the Boone Conference volume are still available. See Bryozoan Bookstall in this *Bulletin* issue for details. Contents of the volume were printed in the IBA Bulletin, which is available online at <u>www.bryozoa.net</u>.

**Tatiana Michaevich**. I presented an abstract at the XX Congress of Italian Ecological Society in Rome held on 27-30 September 2010. The topic of my relation was "Freshwater Bryzoa from Belarus, and ecology of *Plumatella fungosa* from the basin cooler of Berezovskaya Hydroelectric Power Station, Belarus"

**Abby Smith.** The IBA in Kiel was a fantastic conference. I enjoyed trying out my terrible German, I really loved having warm soft pretzels in the Natural History Museum, I ate way too many sausages. I reconnected with old friends and met some new ones, I introduced my

students to people they should know. I thought of new ideas and collaborations, I made progress in on-going projects with my co-authors, and I was fascinated by some of the great thinking and new ideas that are blooming all over the world in bryozoology. I bought chocolate,marzipan, and wine. Special memory: sitting outside a restaurant on a cobbled street in the mild summer air with friends and colleagues laughing and eating and listening to the huge stone clock ringing the hours.

**Lais V. Ramalho.** I am starting a post-doctorate in molecular studies. I will check the presence or absence of bryostatin (symbiont proteobacteria of *Endobugula* clade) in different species of *Bugula* from Rio de Janeiro State, using two different technical: molecular biology and chemical profile. This job will be realized at Universidade de São Paulo - Chemical Institute. Concomitant with this study I will continue to work at Museu Nacional (Rio de Janeiro), taking care of the Bryozoan collection.

**Paul Taylor.** Paul attended the Conference in Kiel despite the great concern of his daughter, Emma, who was being married August 7. It was allegedly for this reason that Paul snuck out of Kiel before the end of the conference and arrived home just in time for the wedding. An IBA surveillance camera caught this moment of Paul (as we've never seen him before) with Emma and her husband, Josh. On the right is daughter-in-law Kanako holding Paul's grand-daughter. Congratulations to Emma and Josh!



**Kevin Tilbrook.** I had a great time in Kiel! It was so good to see so many old friends, and make so many new ones over those few days. It had been six years since I last saw most of you - far too long! And five years without a bryozoan-centric job - far, far too long! I wasn't sure how I would feel stepping back into the bryozoan world; I was nervous, and to a point, felt a bit of a fraud turning up after so much time out. How wrong was I!? I was welcomed back with open arms at every turn with so many wonderful comments. I honestly felt back in the fold, and I am delighted by how the research has come on and the calibre of the younger members - very exciting and much ground-breaking stuff.

To cap this euphoria, I have a new job! A job working on Bryozoa!! A job working on tropical south-west Pacific Bryozoa in Australia!?!? My ship really has come in. I have accepted the offer of the Curator role at the Museum of Tropical Queensland in Townsville, Queensland, Australia. I should be traveling over there next month (October) to work on the reef material collected in Aus by the CReefs project (something I have been involved with since its outset in 2006) as well as much tropical inter-reef and benthic survey material. AND I CAN'T WAIT!

What I will say now is that if anyone needs any help, any input, any material and they think I might be the person to contact, PLEASE do not hesitate to ask! I know what it is like to feel without an ally or sounding-board. Some might remember my slightly "bitter and twisted" diatribe from a few years ago, well I apologise as I realise most of you were just trying to keep your own jobs! But I promise to do what I can to help any of you. Let's try to foster more collaborative projects and make the IBA an even more cohesive organisation than it already is.

One last thing - did I mention I have a job so I am back!? See you all again soon, Kevin

**Leandro M. Vieira.** My first IBA was wonderful and the bryozoologists look like a family! I look to forward to seeing everyone again in next IBA conference.

After the IBA conference in Kiel I had the opportunity to visit Norway (Bergen and Stavanger) and the Lysenfjord region (it truly is one of most beautiful places I have ever seen). Since 17th August (after IBA Conference and the holiday in Norway) I have been working with the specimens of *Scrupocellaria* deposited at the Natural History Museum (London). I found several problems in this taxon, which also involve problems with generic definitions of other Candidae's genera. Mary S. Jones and I will try resolving part of these problems with the redescription of the type specimens of some type-species of genus. It's really amazing the diversity of this taxon (maybe taxa?) and resolve the taxonomic problems will be a challenge! I will be working here until November, when I go to Paris and stay there for one month. In Paris. I'll meet Dr. Jean Loup d'Hondt in the Musém National d'Histoire Naturelle, to study the *Scrupocellaria* specimens!

Due high number of species known and described in the past, I would be very glad if anybody could help me with sending data or photos of any type specimen of *Scrupocellaria* deposited in any institutions! My email is <u>leandromanzoni@gmail.com</u> or <u>leandromanzoni@hotmail.com</u> Thank you in advance!

**Tim Wood.** I am serving as a faculty member for 14 weeks on the Semester at Sea program operated by the University of Virginia. Our university ship, *M.V. Explorer*, embarked from Norfolk, Virginia August 23 and will arrive in San Diego December 13 after extended stays in 12 countries. Information about the voyage is updated regularly at <u>www.semesteratsea.org</u>. Internet services on board are extremely limited and glacially slow, which is my excuse for this issue of the *Bulletin* being so late.



## New Members

**Emanuela Di Martino**. I am currently a Marie Curie Early Stage Researcher and I work at The Natural History Museum in London. Under the umbrella of the THROUGHFLOW PROJECT (Cenozoic evolution of the Indonesian throughflow) I will study the Cenozoic history of bryozoan biodiversity supervised by Paul Taylor for the next three years. Before I worked under Prof. Antonietta Rosso from the Catania University on Bryozoan biodiversity in submarine caves in three Italian marine protected areas.

**Sally Rouse.** I have recently completed my MSc on Scottish bryozoans with Jo Porter and Mary Spencer Jones. At the moment, we are in the process of building a scratchpad website on British bryozoans.

I am currently focusing on ctenostomes and attempting to create a page for each species. I am trying to source information and images on ctenostomes and I am hoping that IBA members might be able to help.

Any images would be welcome, particularly in-situ photos or images showing key diagnostic features. In terms of text I have the following headings to fill in: diagnostic description, morphology, genetics, growth, molecular biology, species associations, ecology, habitat, distribution, reproduction and evolution. Plus some other additional fields. In the future we will be moving on to cheilostomes and cyclostomes and also adding fossil Bryozoa

People can contact either me (sally.rouse@zsl.org) or Mary with questions or any information they want to send.

**Thamasak Yeemin.** I am a marine biologist from Marine Biodiversity Research Group, Ramkhamhaeng University, Bangkok, Thailand (www.thaicoralreef.in.th). Our research group has worked on various aspects of marine biology, particularly coral reef ecosystems in the Gulf of Thailand and the Andaman Sea. We have recently started research on marine bryozoans, especially in coral reefs. We have collected many bryozoan specimens from various locations in Thai waters. The first aim of our research project is to study on marine bryozoan diversity in order to provide baseline data for Thailand. We need collaboration with bryozoan taxonomists who can guide us for identifying bryozoan specimens. We plan to work on ecology of bryozoans on coral reef habitats, with particular reference to competition with juvenile coral colonies. I would be happy to learn much more about marine bryozoans from the IBA members in the near future.

**Favia Teles de Santana.** I am a biologist graduated from Universidade Federal de Sergipe (UFS). I am working with Dra. Lais V. Ramalho (Museu Nacional, Rio de Janeiro) and Dra. Carmen R. P. Guimarães (Universidade Federal de Sergipe). My studies include the identification, description and distribution of recent marine bryozoans from Sergipe Continental shelf (northeast Brazil) in cooperation between UFS and Museu Nacional). This study is very important for the comprehension of an important area of oil production and it can to become the base to future searches about environmental management. We believe the majority of these species that will be described will become the first records to this area or

new species to science such as recently published (Santana et al, 2009 – Zootaxa). All material studied is being stored in the Bryozoan Collection of the Museu Nacional (Rio de Janeiro).

**Consuelo Sendino.** I am currently collaborating with Paul Taylor to investigate symbiosis between conulariids and bryozoans. Symbiotic associations between bryozoans and other metazoans are common and can be recognized in fossils when they involve skeletal intergrowth. But it is also possible to interpret symbiosis in specimens preserved as external moulds as a result of overgrowth by bryozoans. This overgrowth pattern strongly suggests a life association. CT scanning of the specimen allows us to examine more fully how the bryozoan colony bioimmured the conulariids, preserving them in high fidelity. The photo on the right is one we also presented in Kiel.



## In Memorium: Olgerts L. Karklins (1925-2010) Timothy R. Smith

Olgerts L.Karklins, 85, a retired geologist with the U.S. Geological Survey and longtime member of the IBA, died July 11 at his home in Potomic, Maryland after a hear attack following chemotherapy. He had lung and bone cancer.

Olie conducted USGS field studies, dating rock formations by studying the fossils embedded withyin them. He joined USGS in 1963 and retired around 1990.

Olgerts Longins Karklins was born in Tukums, Latvia. During World War II he dug defensive trenches in Germany as a forced laborer. After the war he worked as a coal miner in England and came to the United States in 1953. He received a bachelor's degree in geologyt from Columbia University in 1957. He received a Master's degree (1961) and a doctorate (1966), both in geology from the University of Minnesota.

Survivors include his wife of 54 years, Vija Lejnieks Karklins of Potomac, and a daughter, Ieva O'Rourke of McClean, Virginia.

# **Conference** Photos



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Not shown: Roger Cuffey, Aaron O'Dea

# Kiel Photo Warehouse

**Andrej Ernstat** first, I would like to thank to all who came to our conference in Kiel! I hope we could manage the organization that all participants were satisfied, and enjoyed the meeting and Kiel and vicinities as well. I was quite busy during the conference, so I had no time for a regular photographic survey. Nevertheless, I could catch some moments, which you can find here:

http://www.gpi.uni-kiel.de/~ae/fotos/iba\_2010/iba\_2010.html

I have also posted a printable version of the group photograph and some bryozoan images from the material brought by participants of the *Littorina* excursion (*Electra, Alcyonidium, Bowerbankia*).

## Aaron O'Dea

Photos from the Kiel conferences can be viewed at <u>http://picasaweb.google.com/aaronodea/IBAKiel2010#slideshow/5504941994950786738</u>

**Rolf Schmidt.** I've put the three movies of the X-Ray Tomography scans through a *Siphonicytara* colony that wouldn't play in Kiel up on Youtube. The urls are:

Frontal: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cd1phbiOzN0

Basal: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4xbQWXQFc5E

Lateral: <u>http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=smzJkYxgFnk</u>

## Request for Ctenostome photos

(See "Sally Rouse" in the New Members section of this Bulletin)

# IBA Summary of Income and Expenditure 2007-2010 Abby Smith, IBA Treasurer (All amounts in NZD = 0.5€ and 0.7 USD)

Income	<u>2007 to 2010</u>	2004 to 2007
Subscriptions ( $N = 60$ )	\$4,403.50	\$6,836.50
Transfer to savings	\$5,000.00	\$ 0.00
Donations $(N = 18)$	\$ 990.14	\$ 0.00
Interest	\$ 614.94	\$ 0.00
Total Income	\$11,008.58	\$6,836.50
Expenditure		
Bank & merchant fees, tax	\$ 479.64	\$1,312.31
Transfer to savings	\$5,000.00	\$ 0.00
Council administration	\$ 645.77	\$ 0.00
IBA awards	\$7,835.76	\$ 0.00
Total Expenditure	\$13,961.17	\$1,312.31

## IBA Donation-o-Meter

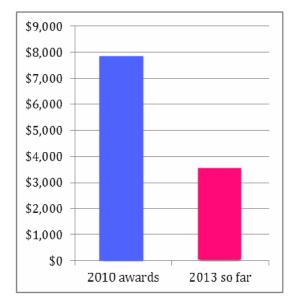
Abby Smith, IBA Treasurer

In 2010 we were able to give four travel awards totaling \$7836 NZD, most of which was funded by income from donations and membership fees paid by IBA members.

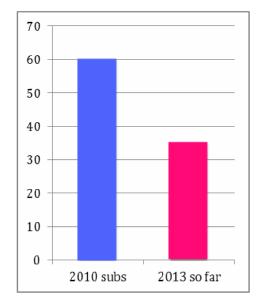
Now the only source of income the IBA receives is donations from its members. We hope to use these donations to fund travel grants to the next conference, so the larger they are, the more generous we can be.

Can we do better in 2010-2013?

Money (in NZD) given as travel awards in 2007-2010 and amount raised by donations so far in 2010-2013.



Number of members who paid fees (in 2007-2010) or made donations (in 2010-2013 so far) to IBA.



# Minutes of the Advisory Council Meeting

The IBA Advisory Council met in Kiel on Tuesday, August 3, 2010. These minutes record a summary of the items discussed.

- 1. Treasurer's report. We have a current (30 June) balance of \$4,370.76 New Zealand dollars (1 NZD = € 0.5 and \$0.7). There was some discussion of whether the IBA should underwrite the triennial conferences, so if the conference loses money the IBA could help bail it out. The consensus was that we need to be very careful *not* to have any firm written commitment on this. Of course, we might offer to help out if necessary, but it is up to the conference host to price the event correctly.
- 2. **Nominations.** A nominating committee was formed to solicit nominations for Advisory Council and IBA officers. Kevin Tilbrook and Scott Lidgard volunteered for this job.
- 3. The **Larwood Committee** was formed to judge student poswers and presentations for the Larwood Awards. Beth Okamura, Judy Winston, Kamil Zakorsek volunteered for this difficult job. It was strongly recommended that next time the IBA President (Eckart) appoint the Larwood Committee *before* the opening of the conference, and that we know in advance which of the presenters are listed as students.
- 4. **Chile.** Abby suggested we find out from Juan Cancino and Hugo Moyano what they need that we can supply. Books? Reprints? Specimens? Patrick Wyse Jackson will head up this effort with assistance from Aaron O'Dea..
- 5. Website: Rolf Schmidt will remove any email references to IBA members on the website. We should have an inquiry form so anyone can get information (from the IBA Secretary) without compromising his email address. Roger Cuffy reported that he had received an unsolicited proposal of friendship from an unknown woman in India who claimed she had found his email address on the IBA website. We need to be vigilant about protecting the email addresses of all IBA members.
- 6. **Fund raising.** What is the best way to raise money for IBA scholarships? Most Council members liked the idea of an annual appeal for voluntary donations, but a few thought this is too risky, we should have regular fees. Finally we decided to go with the annual appeal, at least for a trial year and see how it goes. Marcus Key agreed to lead this effort.
- 7. **Scratchpad.** Scott Lidgard announced that we will move forward with putting taxonomic data on Scratchpad, including a lot of information already on the Bryozoa Home Page.

Minutes prepared by Tim Wood, IBA Secretary

## **IBA Business Meeting Minutes**

Friday, August 6, 2010

1. IBA President Judy Winston opened the meeting with an observance to honor members deceased since the conference in Boone. These are

Yousef Ahmed	1966-2008
David Brown	1916-2009
Gisela Illies	1926-2008
Lin-Huang Lu	1933-2007
Geneviève Lutaud	1926-2008
John Utgaard	1938-2009

2. Judy recognized the many members who had joined the IBA since the 2007 conference in Boone.

Yousef Ahmed Franziska Bitschofsky Elisa Bone Julia Cáseres Eugenio Fernández-Pulpeiro Karin Hoch Fehlauer-Ale Santosh Jagadeeshan Helen Jenkins Anna Koromyslova Grace Lim-Fong Jennifer Loxton Rory Milne Somaye Mohammadpour Heather Moore Thomas Schwaha Sudathip Seansupha Mary Sears Caroline Sogot Noga Sokolover Javier Souto Derungs Zoya Tolokonnikova Andrea Waeschenbach Michał Zatoń

- 3. Treasurer Abby Smith presented the Treasurer's Report (see separate item elsewhere in the *Bulletin*).
- 4. Judy next recognized elected members of the IBA Advisory Council and thanked them for their service.

Elected for 2004-2010	Elected for 2007-2013	
Aaron O'Dea	Caroline Buttler	
Beth Okamura	Andrej Ernst	
Maria Cristina Orellana	Scott Lidgard.	
JoAnn Porter	Laís Ramalho	
Priska Schäfer	Ariunchimeg Yarinpil	
Kevin Tilbrook	Kamil Zagorsek	

For the past three years, according to the IBA Constitution, the Advisory Council has also included:

Judy Winston, IBA President Eckart Håkansson, IBA President-Elect Paul Taylor, Past President Patrick Wyse Jackson, Proceedings Facilitator Tim Wood, Secretary Abby Smith, Treasurer Steve Hageman, Past Conference Host Rolf Schmidt (*ex officio*, IBA webmaster)

- 5. Rolf Schmidt introduced Melbourne as the official venue for the IBA conference in 2016, hosted by the Victoria Museum.
- Judy Winston announced winners of the 2010 Larwood Awards: Best student poster: Thomas Schwaha Best student presentation: Judith Fuchs

Both recipients received a €60 cash award, certificate, and a volume of proceedings from the previous IBA conference.

 The Nominating Committee of Scott Lidgard and Kevin Tilbrook announced winners of the Advisory Council election: Andrea Waeschenbach, Masato Hirose, Maja Novosel, Björn Berning, Pierre Moissette, and Piotr Kuklinsky. Their terms will be 2010-2016.

Scott and Kevin further announced that Abby Smith and Tim Wood were the only candidates for the positions of Treasurer and Secretary, respectively, and they will continue with their responsibilities.

- 8. In her final official act as IBA President, Judy Winston transferred her title to Eckart Håkansson, now the new President of the International Bryozoology Association.
- 9. The business meeting of the 15<sup>th</sup> IBA Conference was adjourned.

Minutes prepared by Tim Wood, IBA Secretary

# Election of the IBA President-Elect

While the IBA Secretary and Treasurer were elected at the IBA Conference in Kiel, it has become customary for all IBA members to participate in selecting the President-Elect through ballots submitted by email. This year Marcus Key and Patrick Wyse Jackson have accepted the invitation of the Nominating Committee to stand for election. Their profiles are printed below

**Important instructions.** To vote, IBA members should send an email message to the IBA Secretary, <u>tim.wood@wright.edu</u>, with the vote *embedded in the subject heading*. <u>Examples:</u>

SUBJECT: IBA-Marcus or SUBJECT: IBA: Patrick

*Do not write in the body of the text. Do not include attachments.* All votes received by October 31 will be counted and the results will then be announced.

## Marcus M. Key, Jr.

**Current position.** Joseph Priestly Professor of Natural Philosophy, Department of Earth Sciences, Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

**IBA member** since 1985

**Research interests:** Using extinct and extant bryozoans to address questions of functional morphology, epibiosis, and the evolution of skeletal isotopic composition.

# Professional Activities related to the IBA:

- Advisory Council
- Larwood Award selection committee
- Co-editor of Boone 2007 conference volume
- Currently: IBA fund raising coordinator

# **Patrick Wyse Jackson**

**Current position:** Senior Lecturer in Geology, Curator of the Geological Museum, and Fellow of Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland.

**IBA member** since 1987.

**Research interests**. Taxonomy, functional morphology and biology of Palaeozoic bryozoans, particularly those from the Ordovician and Mississippian (Lower Carboniferous).

# Professional activities related to the IBA/

- Advisory Council
- Organized 1992 pre-conference field trip
- 2001 Dublin conference host
- 2006 Larwood conference host
- Co-editor of Dublin 2001 conference volume

- Co-editor of Chile 2004 conference volume

-Co-editor of Annals of Bryozoology 2002, and 2008, with 2 additional volumes to appear soon.

**Other professional activities:** Chair of the Treasurer Auditing Committee for the Paleontological Society; member of Phi Beta Kappa , Sigma Xi, Paleontological Society, Geological Society of America, Harrisburg Area Geological Society (held Secretary, Vice President, President offices), International Palaeontological Association, Society for Sedimentary Geology. - Currently: Conference volume facilitator

Other professional activities: Past-President of the Dublin Naturalists' Field Club, the Irish Geological Association, and past-Chairman of the Geological Curators' Group. Edited the journal *The Geological Curator* for thirteen years and *Earth Sciences History*, the journal

# Alcyonidium from the 15<sup>th</sup> IBA RV Littorina excursions John Ryland and Joanne Porter.

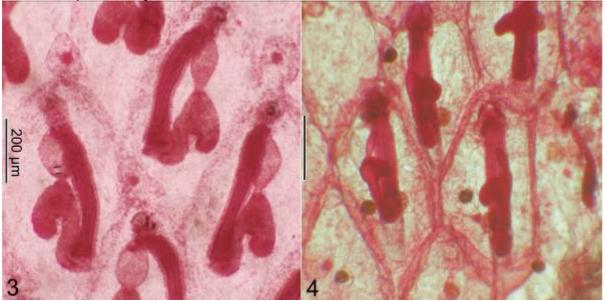
After the dampness of the outing to Lübeck the bright sun for the two ship excursions on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> August was most welcome. Leaving the quay at the Institut für Meereskunde–Geomar we sailed for an hour or so up Kieler Förde before shooting the dredge on hard ground in 12-15m of water, where the salinity was about 24. The hauls were dominated by various red algae on which an *Alcyonidium* was abundant (Figs 1, 2; also Andrej Ernst's Bryozoa–Baltic Sea photos: *www.gpi.uni-kiel.de/~ae/fotos/iba\_2010/iba\_2010.html*), and formed conspicuous cylindrical incrustations, but cheilostomes were hard to find. Other *Alcyonidium* colonies were found on fragments of *Laminaria* frond (especially during the afternoon excursion) and on a broken glass bottle. These looked very different, forming smallish (1-2 cm diameter) unilamellar patches of youngish zooids, consistent with settlement last winter.



Microscopical examination was possible on return to the laboratory and, fortunately, the colonies on red algae were particularly cooperative, everting their lophophores in profusion. All counts were in the 14–16 range, consistent only with *A. mytili*. As would be expected with its winter breeding season, no inter-tentacular organs (ITOs) were observed (*A. mytili* is

oviparous), but the numerous counts leave no doubt of the correctness of the identification. Fewer counts were possible on the *Laminaria* colonies, but they too had 16 tentacles; the colony on the glass bottle remained stubbornly closed.

Nikulina & Schäfer (2006) had been unable to decide which species of the *Alcyonidium gelatinosum/mytili/polyoum* complex were present in the in Kiel Bay. Representative colonies on red algae, *Laminaria*, and a fragment of the glass bottle were brought back to Swansea. The colonies on glass and kelp, and some on the red algae, were fixed in Bouin's fluid, ultrasonically cleaned to remove loose particles, stained with borax carmine, dehydrated in ethanol series, and rendered transparent in Histoclear. Polypides in the colonies on *Laminaria*, presumed from the tentacle count to be *A. mytili*, had a long, slightly curved caecum as shown in foto 24 of Hans De Blauwe's recent book (2009) but those on glass were quite different, having the short rounded caecum characteristic of *A. gelatinosum* (and well illustrated—though wrongly identified—by Silbermann (1906)) (Figs 3, 4 respectively). *A. gelatinosum* is larviparous but, as a winter breeder, could not be expected to contain oocytes in August.



We have shown earlier (Ryland & Porter 2003; 2006, the latter with a map) that A. polyoum has a southerly distribution and does not occur in Denmark or the Baltic Sea, but that both A. gelatinosum and A. mytili were likely to be present in the Kattegat and the Baltic where the salinity exceeds 8-10, and so unlikely to occur east of Bornholm. Unfortunately, we overlooked some outlying records: (1) A. gelatinosum (with embryos) at Oskarshamn (57E16'N) on the east coast of Sweden (Silén 1943)—perhaps significantly for this and the next record, surface water of slightly higher salinity (7-8.5 rather than <7) flows southwards close to the Swedish coast (www.balticuniv.se/environmentalscience); (2) A. gelatinosum (with embryos) in shallow water on Fucus off Kalmar 56E39'N (Forsman 1956) but with much deeper records on rock or mussels from Christiansø (near Bornholm) which were more likely A. mytili; (3) a small colony (only  $2.0 \times 2.5$  mm) on Fucus from near Rybachiy on the southern part of Kursk Spit (Kurskaja kosa) in the south-east (Androsova 1962: and our thanks to Mary Spencer Jones for obtaining this for us and Andrei Ostrovsky for translating the relevant part), where the species identity remains unknown. Borg (1930) cites nineteenth century records from the Trave estuary (Travemünde, seawards from Lübeck) and a salinity only just >1 (we wonder which species of Alcyonidium that would have been and if is still

there?). The IBA *Littorina* dredging has at least clarified the situation in one part of Kiel Bay. We conclude that the common *Alcyonidium* in the area off Kieler Förde where we dredged is *A. mytili*, with a single colony of *A. gelatinosum* found in one of the morning hauls. In addition to these, a single colony of the readily recognizable *A. hirsutum* was collected during the afternoon.

Morning dredge line: start 54E27.8'N, 10E14.1'E, end 54E27.6'N, 10E13.7'E. Afternoon dredge line: start 54E25.5'N, 10E11.8'E end 54E27.6'N, 10E14.3'E.

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# Tiny Antarctic creatures hint at sea level rise

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## Oslo, Aug 31 Reuters

Tiny marine creatures found on the seabed on opposite sides of the vast West Antarctic ice sheet give a strong hint of the risks of sea level rise caused by climate change, scientists said on Tuesday.

The discovery of very similar colonies of bryozoans, animals that anchor themselves to the seabed, in both the Ross and Weddell Seas are a clue that the ice sheet once thawed and the seas were once linked, they said.

West Antarctica holds enough ice to raise world sea levels by between 3.5 and 5 metres if the sheet collapsed. Some scientists believe it may have vanished during a natural warm period within the last few hundred thousand years.

"It was a very big surprise," said David Barnes, lead author of the study at the British Antarctic Survey, of the find of similar bryozoans 2400 km apart in seas on either side of the West Antarctic ice sheet, which is 2 km thick.

"The most likely explanation of such similarity is that this ice sheet is much less stable than previously thought and has collapsed at some point in the recent past," he told Reuters. "And if the West Antarctic ice shelf has been lost in recent times we have to re-think the possibility of loss in future with climate change," he said.

The bryozoans, sometimes called moss animals, are often microscopic as individuals but form colonies that can look like corals or some seaweeds. Those found were unlike others around the current coast of Antarctica.

### WARM PAST

In a brief warm period about 125,000 years ago, world sea levels were about five metres higher than today and temperatures probably at least 4 degrees Celsius warmer. There have been several similar warm periods in the past million years.

The UN panel of climate scientists said in a 2007 report that average world temperatures could rise by between 1.1 and 6.4 degrees C by 2100, mainly because of a build-up of greenhouse gases from burning fossil fuels.

Reviews of the panel have endorsed its main findings despite errors such as an exaggeration of the thaw of the Himalayas. Experts on Monday called for an overhaul of its management. The Antarctic study, in the journal Global Change Biology, said that bryozoans were largely static and that their larvae, dispersed by currents, are short-lived and quickly sink.

With the huge ice sheet in the way, it was hard to explain how similar colonies could be in both the seas. But if the ice were destabilised it would open a passage through which currents might, over time, carry the larvae, Barnes said.

# 10<sup>th</sup> Larwood Meeting 2011



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The  $10^{th}Larwood$  Meeting will take place on  $5^{th} - 6^{th}$  May 2011 in the Faculty of Biology, Universidade de Santiago de Compostela.

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Additionally, a one-day field trip is planned for Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May.

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## AustraLarwood 2011 March 8-9 at Kaikoura – New Zealand

Australarwood 2011 is being hosted by the University of Canterbury, and will be held at the UC field station at Kaikoura. The field station will also double as accommodation (for which rates are minimal). Talks will be held on the 8<sup>th</sup>, and a field collection day in modern shallow marine sites around Kaikoura, followed by lab examination, will be held on the 9<sup>th</sup>. For the geologists amongst you there are some interesting, but bryozoan free, sites to examine around Kaikoura. Participants can meet in Christchurch on the 7<sup>th</sup> and travel as a group to Kaikoura.

There is no registration fee, and at this stage it is envisaged the Christchurch to Kaikoura shuttle will be covered by UC Geological Sciences. Christchurch has an international airport with good connections to Sydney and Melbourne and less frequent connection to North America. Please contact Catherine Reid on <u>catherine.reid@canterbury.ac.nz</u> for further information or to register your interest.

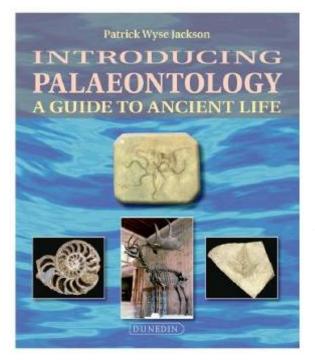
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# Bryozoan Bookstall



Patrick Wyse Jackson, 2010

# **Introducing Palaeontology - A Guide to Ancient Life**

(Dunedin Academic Press, Edinburgh). ISBN 13: 9781906716158. Paperback, pp. viii+152. Price: £9.99.

Lavishly illustrated with photographs and explanatory diagrams *Introducing Palaeontology* provides a concise and accessible introduction to the science of palaeontology. The book is divided into two parts. The first explains what a fossil is; how fossils came to be preserved; how they are classified; and what information they can tell scientists about the rocks in which they are found.

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Ostrovsky A.N. 2009.

Evolution of the sexual reproduction in the bryozoan order Cheilostomata (Gymnolaemata). St Petersburg State University.

ISBN 978-5-288-04992-7. 403 pp., 105 pls. [in Russian with English Summary].

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#### Summary

This monograph is devoted to a range of questions connected with evolution of reproductive patterns in Bryozoa in particular, and in marine invertebrates in general.

Despite two and half centuries of research, our knowledge of bryozoan reproduction is very incomplete and fragmented. This is in discord with the abundance and often dominance, of these colonial epibionts which are active filter-feeders in many marine benthic communities. In order to identify and to fill gaps in the knowledge, a comparative anatomical study of the processes of oogenesis, fertilization and brooding was undertaken considering more than 246 Recent and fossil bryozoan species from 142 genera belonging to 65 families of the bryozoan order Cheilostomata (class Gymnolaemata). As part of the study, major stages in the evolution of the sexual reproduction of cheilostomes are reconstructed and major trends are recognized with the overall aim of using the data obtained to clarifying the evolutionary history and phylogeny.

The history of studies on reproduction of Gymnolaemata is described in detail. The existence of three major reproductive patterns of Bryozoa is confirmed, and their detailed descriptions are given. A fourth reproductive pattern is described for the first time. It appears that placental analogies are much more common among Cheilostomata than has been previously accepted. A correlation between the type of oogenesis, ovarian structure and type of brooding is shown. Early precocious insemination is obligatory in brooders, and obviously triggers the onset of oogenesis. Stages in the evolution of internal insemination and placental brooding in Gymnolaemata are reconstructed. A comparison of cheilostome sexual reproduction with that of other invertebrates is made.

Different variants of the structure and development of cheilostome brood chambers are described. Their classification is developed and the terminology involved is clarified. Major trends in the evolution of brood chambers are recognized. Different scenarios to explain the independent evolution of brooding in the gymnolaemate bryozoan orders Ctenostomata and Cheilostomata are discussed.

A hypothesis is proposed to explain the evolutionary success of Cheilostomata through the evolution of new reproductive patterns, which in turn, could result in the evolution of endotrophic larvae and extraembryonic nutrition. It is suggested that lecithotrophy, brooding and placentation independently evolved within the order several times, and that brooding compensated the decrease of descendants during the transition to the new type of oogenesis and eventually to lecithotrophy. Abiotic and biotic factors that could have influence on the Upper-Cretaceous radiation of Cheilostomata are considered. Stages in the evolution of the sexual reproduction within different orders of the phylum Bryozoa are hypothesized, and similar patterns in other groups of marine invertebrates are analyzed.

It is suggested that changes in oogenesis leading to the progressive accumulation of nutrients in the oocytes and their enlargement, finely resulted in the transition from planktotrophy to lecythotrophy (from the first to the second reproductive strategy). Other consequences of the shift in oogenesis were gradual decrease of the oocytes in number, transition to their consequitive (asynchronous) maturation, changes in ovarial structure and a shorter duration of embryogenesis. Within Cheilostomata lecithotrophy and parental care independently evolved in the families Aeteidae, Scrupariidae, Calloporidae, Tendridae,

Thalamoporellidae and Alysidiidae, and also in '*Carbasea' indivisa* and, possibly, Belluloporidae. In all cases the ancestors were among non-brooding bryozoans with planktotrophic larvae (Malacostega). Brooding evolved each time when lecithotrophy originated, compensating the decrease of the descendants in number. Later placentation has been acquired resulting in another shift in oogenesis in some taxa: thus, the fourth and the third reproductive strategies evolved. The shift from intracoelomic to intraovarial fertilization occurred, and fertilization finely became a trigger of vitellogenesis. Origin of the nurse-cells could be a result of the early syngamy, preventing the cytokinesis of the oogonium.

Cheilostome brooding chambers independently evolved several times from modified mural spines, kenozooids, outgrowths of the zooidal wall and, possibly, fertilization envelopes. Thus, suborder Neocheilostomina is considered as polyphyletic. In most cases the ooecia of the ovicells are outgrowths of the zooidal wall, not kenozooids. Early evolution of the conventional ooecia included curvature of the mural spines, their flattening, reduction in number as well as loss of joints and fusion. Further changes were intimately connected with the evolution of the complex frontal zooidal shields. Reconstruction of the ooecial evolution confirmed that Lepraliomorpha is a polyphyletic group.

The major trends in the evolution of the ovicells were 1) integration of the zooids, forming the ovicell, 2) reduction of the ectooecial calcification, 3) reduction of the distal (ooecium-producing) zooid, 4) immersion of the brooding cavity, reduction of the ooecium and, as a result, origin of the internal brooding sacs, 5) changes in methods of the ovicell closure, and 6) origin of peristomial ovicells.

Evolution of Cheilostomata was accompanied by a progressive integration of the colonies that resulted in synchronized changes in the sexual structure of the colonies, including gametic maturation ans spawning, evolution of sexual polymorphism and brooding morpho-functional modules (including ovicells). Origin of the sexual polymorphism and different variants of the colonial sexual structures occurred independently in different cheilostome groups.

Evolution of sexual reproduction in two gymnolaemate orders is characterized by many parallel trends. Also, vivparity accompanied by extraembryonic nutrition independently evolved in the stenolaemate order Cyclostomata and cheilostome family Epistomiidae.

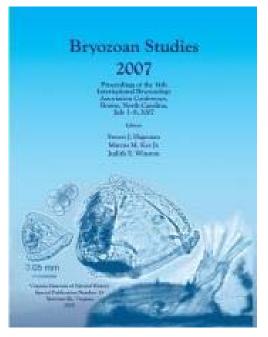
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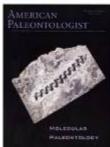


ON THE COVER: ) A new solitary entoproct found on a sponge, Plakortis sp., on a coral reef slope, Okinawa Island, Japan. This is the first report of a commensal entoproct from the Ryukyu Archipelago. In their article in this issue, T. Iseto et al. describe the new entoproct as Loxosomella *plakorticola* sp. nov. and provide details on its mode of attachment to the host, investigated through scanning and transmission electron microscopy. Photo by Dr. Tohru Iseto.

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## Bryozoa

10<sup>th</sup> Annual Larwood Meeting 5-7 May 2011 Universidade de Santiago de Compostela <u>http://www.usc.es/congresos/larwood</u>

Australarwood 2011 8-9 March 2011 University of Canterbury Field Station at Kaikoura, New Zealand <u>catherine.reid@canterbury.ac.nz</u>

### Paleontology

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