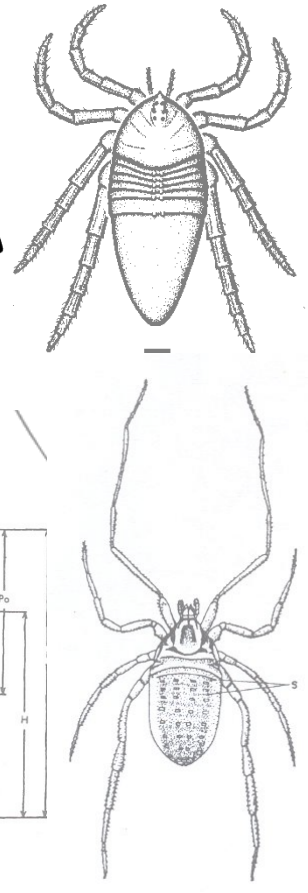
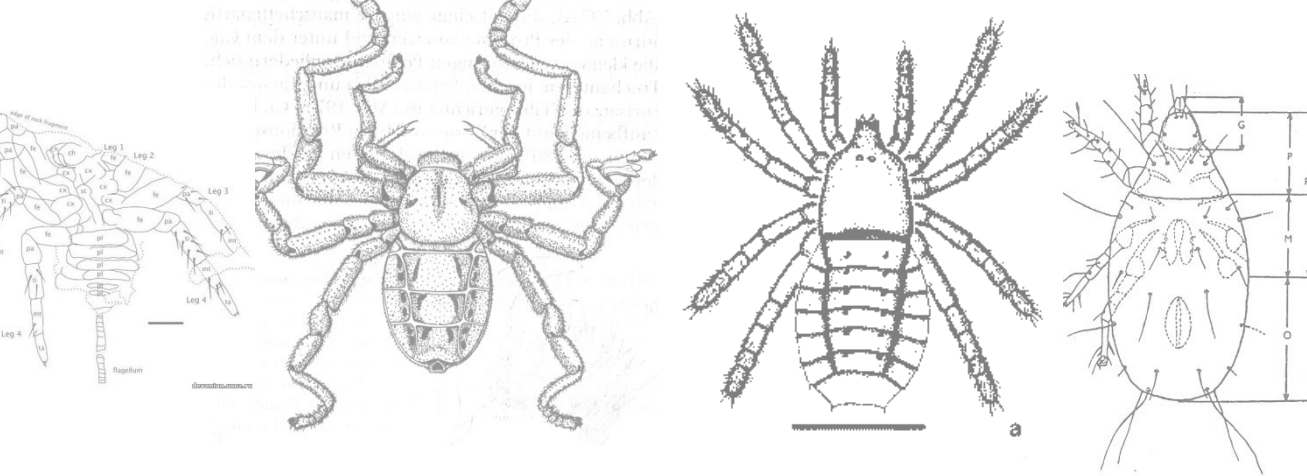
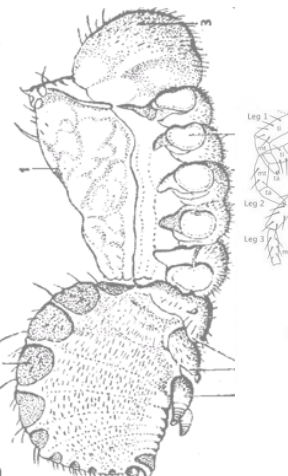
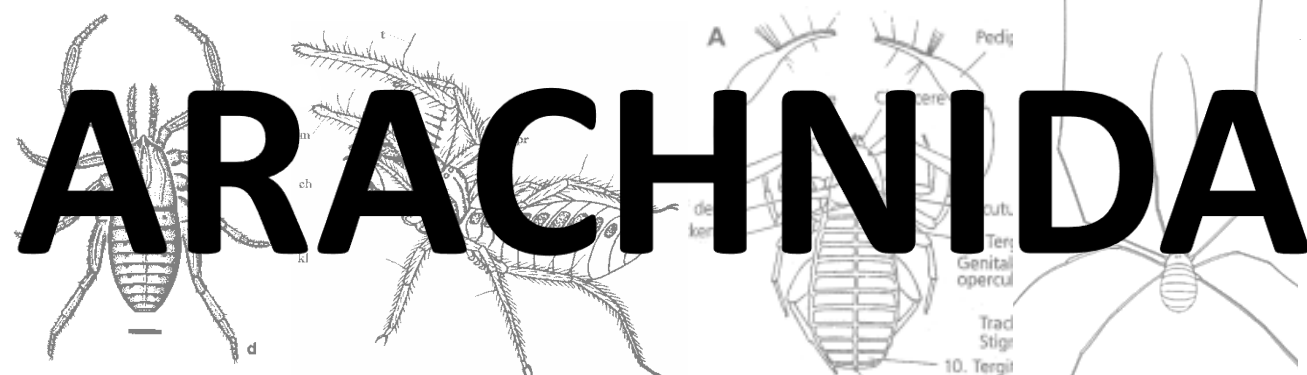


ARACHNIDA



What will be your task?

- Suggest and justify a phylogeny tree for particular arachnid groups based on the information mentioned in the lecture.
- Correct use of terms and appropriate reasoning are important

Terminology of cladistics

- **Taxon** – group of organisms
 - **monophyletic**
 - **paraphyletic** (reptiles without birds) or **polyphyletic** (birds and bats)
- **Sister group** – closest to the studied group
- **Outgroup** – outside the group we study, for polarisation
- **Polarisation of the character** – determination of the direction of evolution – searching for plesiomorphy
- **Phylogeny tree** – presentation of the hypothesis about relationships
- **Nnode** – represents speciation event

Terminology of cladistics

- **Plesiomorphic character** - primitive
- **Apomorphic character** – derived
- **Synpleziomorphy/apomorphy** – common
- **Autapomorphy** – exclusive
- **Homologic character** – present in the ancestor of both taxa
- **Homoplasy**
 - **Konvergency** – independent origin of apomorphy in branches without common ancestor (birds–insects)
 - **Paralelism** – common ancestors (fish–whales)

class Pycnogonida (Pantopoda)

period: karbon – recent

diversity: 1150 species, 9-10 families

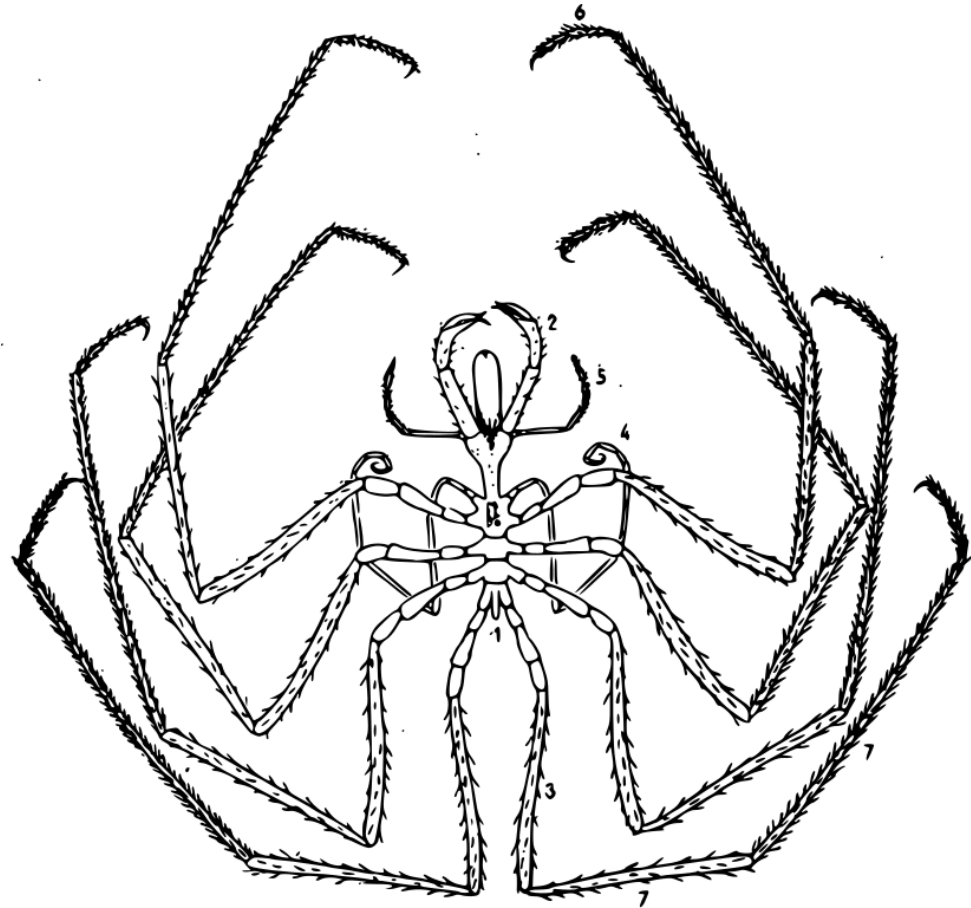
cephalon: eye tubercle, proboscis,
hook-like chelicerae, palps, ovigers
and 1 pair of walking legs

3 segments: 3 pairs of walking legs,
„abdomen“

legs: 4-6 pairs, contains digestive tract
and gonads

Excretory and respiratory tract missing

reproduction: gonopores on bases of
legs





LEMONEITES



XIPHOSURA



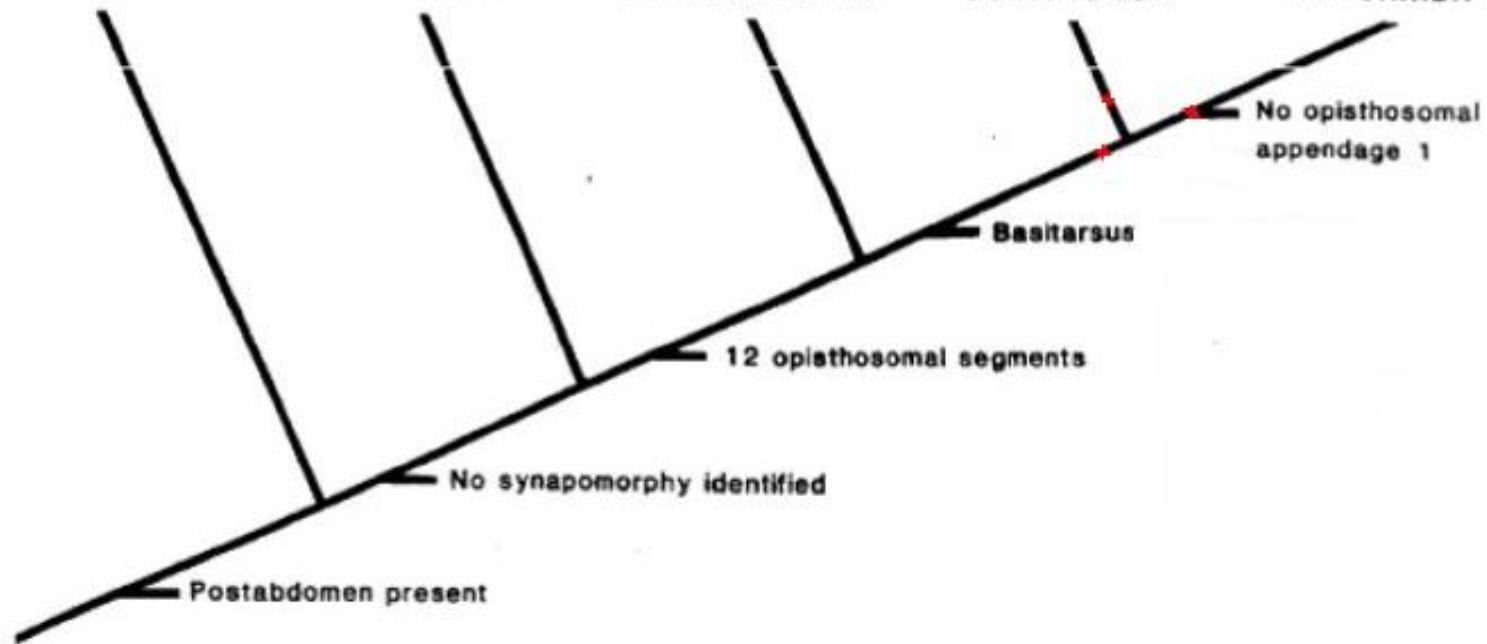
CHASMATASPIDA



EURYPTERIDA



ARACHNIDA



Merostomata: Xiphosura

period: Ordovic – recent

diversity: 4 species, 3 genera, 1 family

distribution: N America (*Limulus polyphemus*),
SE Asia and Philippines (*Tachypleus*,
Carcinoscorpius)

body: up to 60 cm

cuticle: special hyaline layer

prosoma: cheliceræ+5 pairs of walking legs,
last one

for pushing forward, carapace with 8 genal
thorns, heart lobe

opisthosoma: 10 segments including
3segmented metasoma, dorsally fused –
thoracetron with lateral thorns and telson,
6. pairs of plate appendages, 1. covering, rest
with gills and a pair of chilaria – bifurcated
appendages

eyes: median and lateral (oculi)

cheliceræ: 3segmented

legs: with gnathocoxae

respiration: 5 pairs of lamellar gills

excretion: 4 pairs of metanefridia

food: solid – vorns, molluscs

taxonomy: Synziphosurida (Silur-Devon),
Xyphosurida (Karbon-recent)



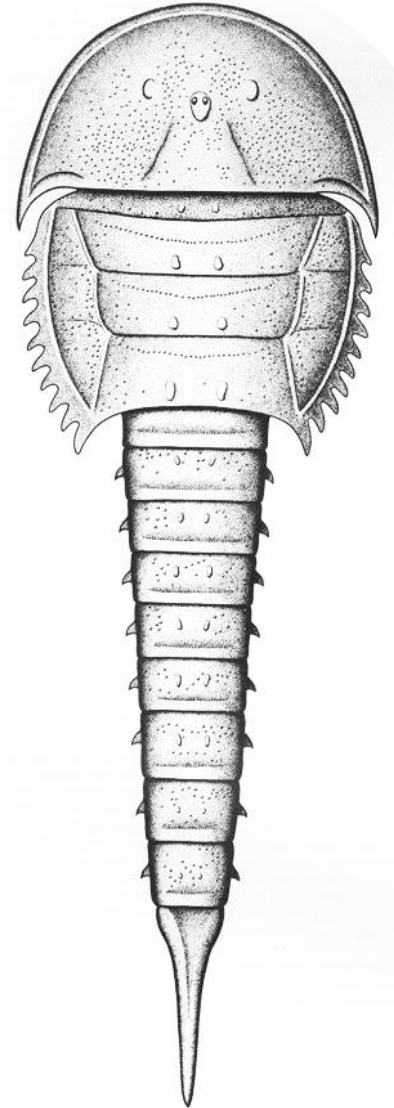
Merostomata: Chasmataspida

period: Kambrium-Devon

diversity: 6 genera

prosoma: genal thorns on carapace

opisthosoma: 13 segments, 3segmented mesosoma and 9segmented metasoma, telson, pairs of opercula



Merostomata: Eurypterida

Eurypteracea

period: Ordovic-Perm

diversity: cca 300 species, over 60 genera, 22 families

body: 10-200 cm – the largest arthropods ever

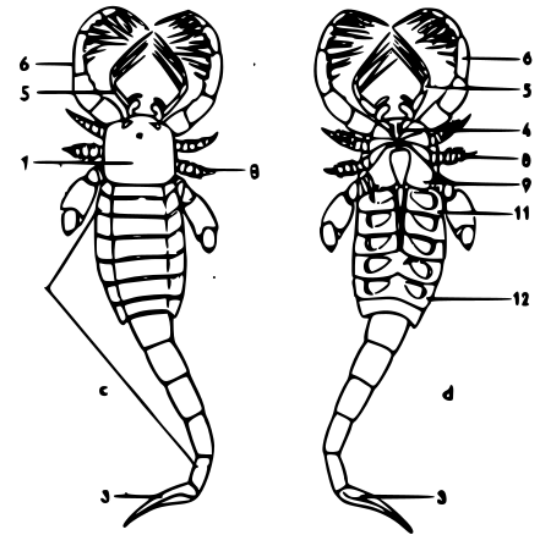
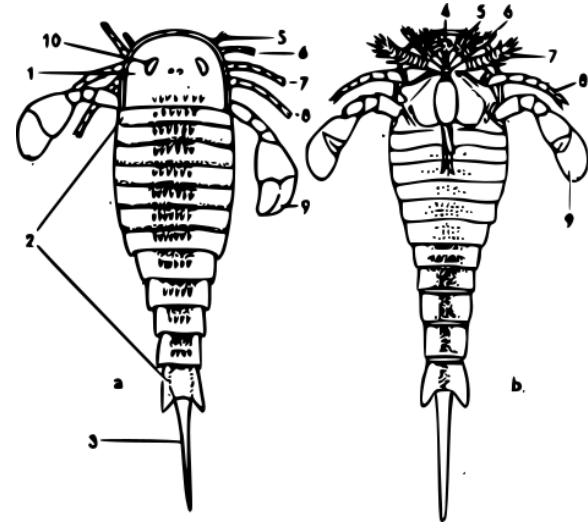
prosoma: chelicerae + 5 pairs with gnathocoxae, 5. pair for swimming

opisthosoma: telson, 5 pairs of appendages
– opercula of gills, median appendix, flat metasoma, gill furrow on 1.-5. sternite

eyes: median ocelli and a pair of lateral compound eyes

chelicerae: 3 segments

ecology: marine, fresh water, amphibious, predators



Pterigotina

Transition to the terrestrial ecosystems: evolution of book lungs

Ancestral stage: book lungs on 1-5 segment, in scorpions on 2-5 segment, in tetrapulmonates on 1-2 segment

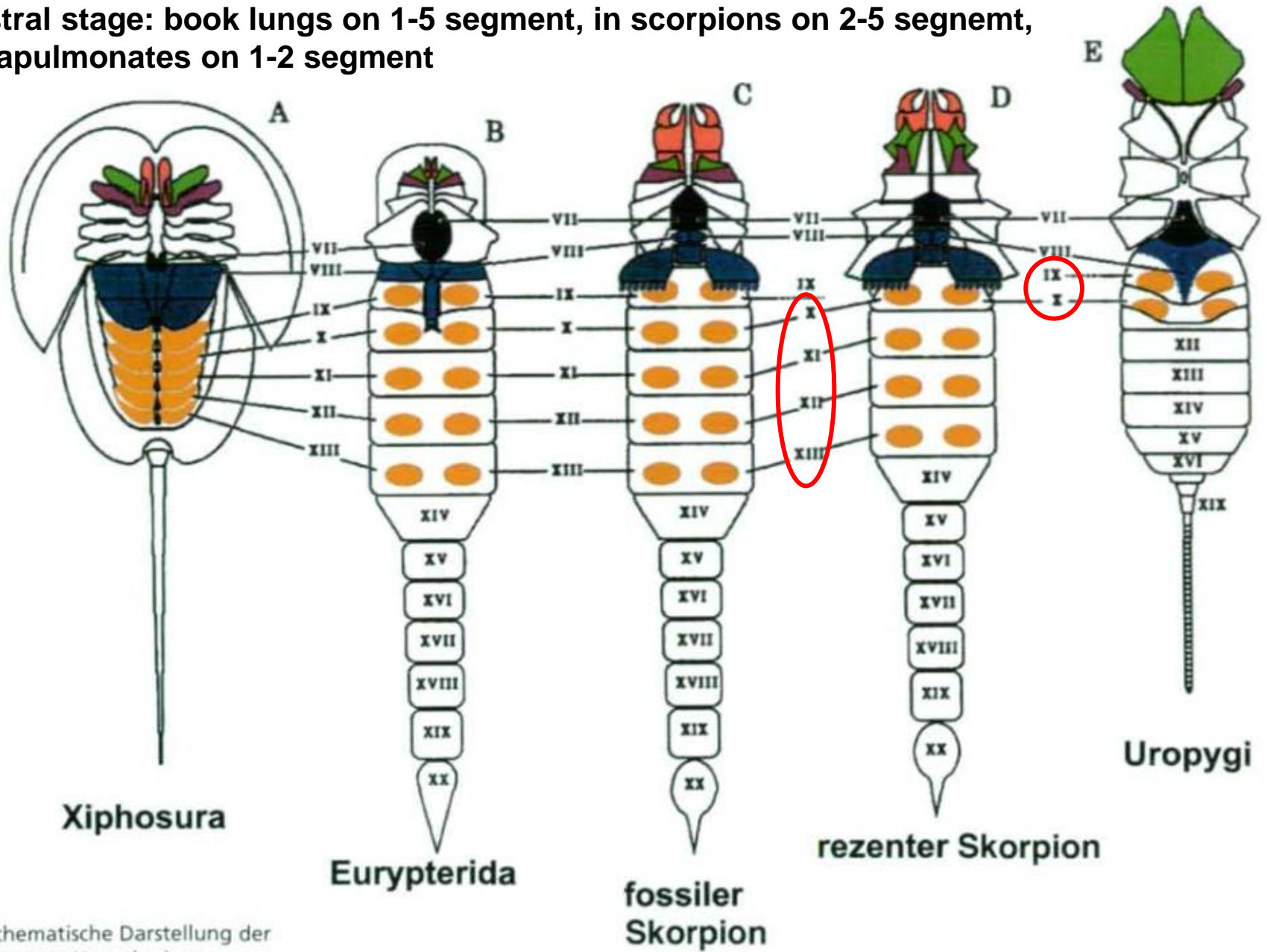
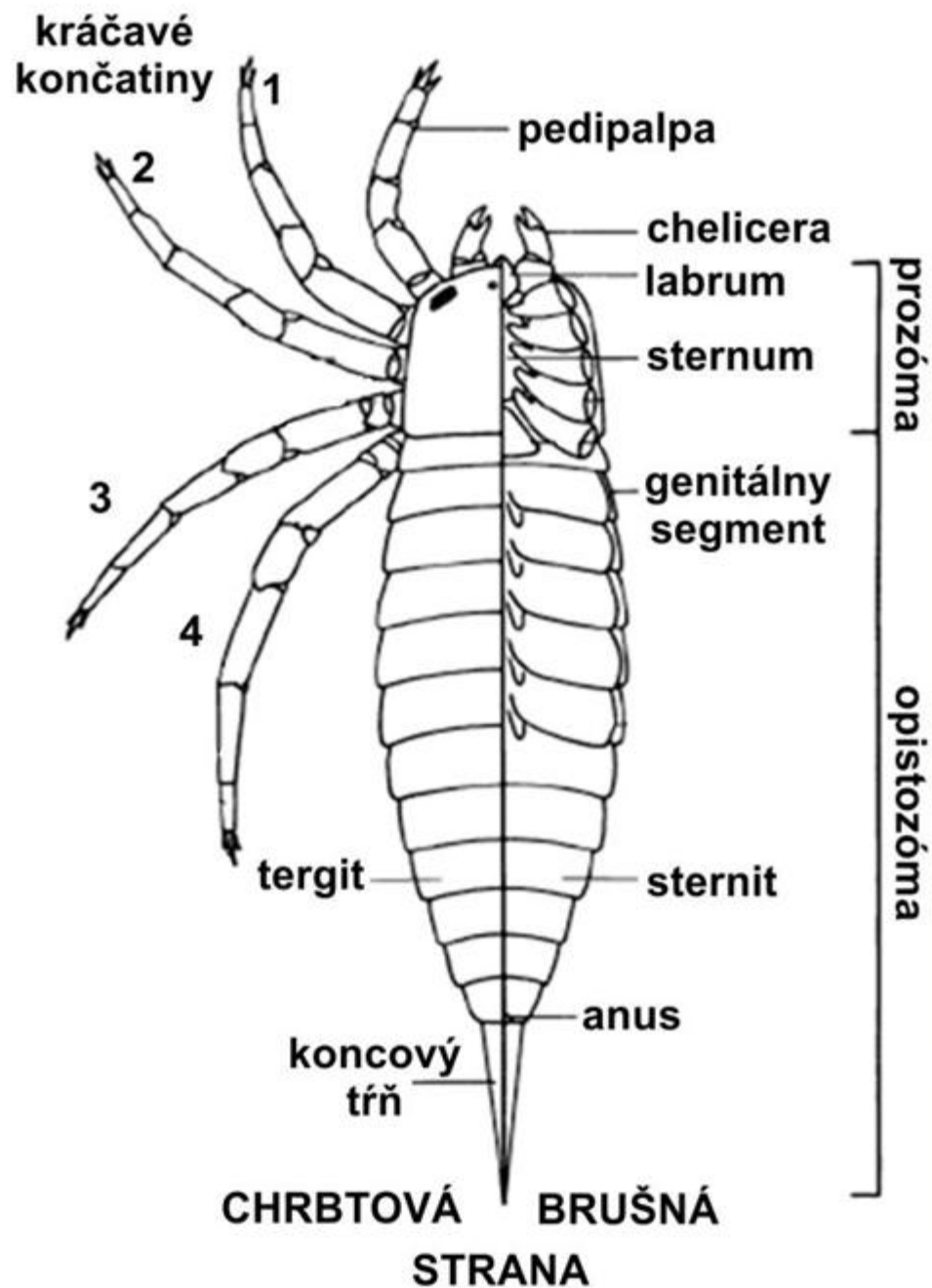


Abb. 4: Schematische Darstellung der angenommenen Homologie von



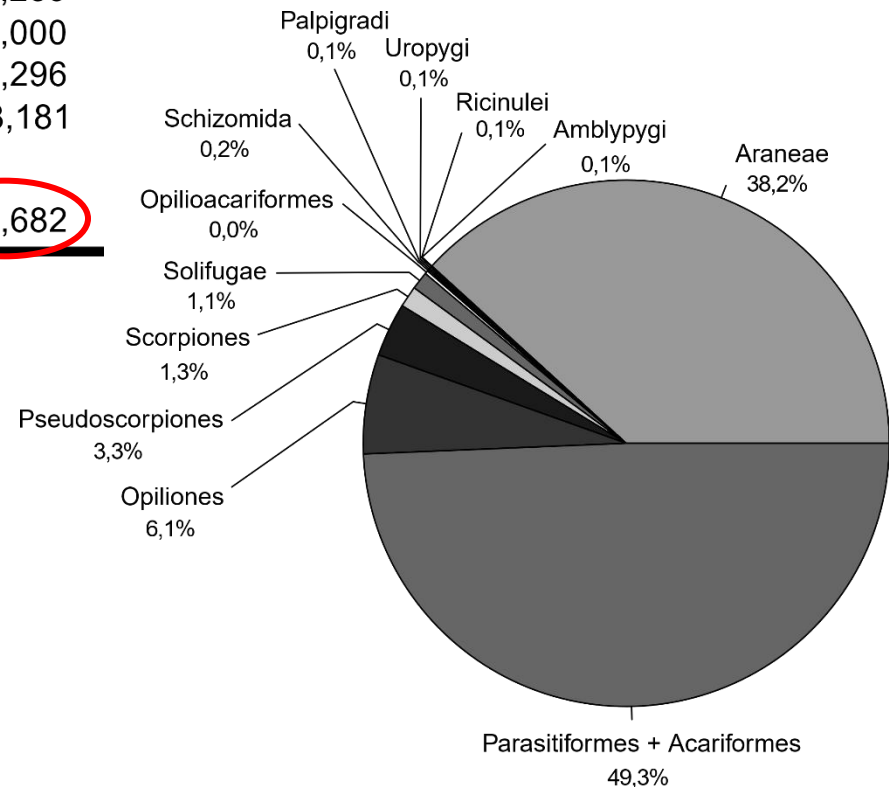
Arachnida: 12-16 orders

Order	Families	Genera	Species
Opilioacariformes	1	9	20
Ricinulei	1	3	55
Palpigradi	2	6	78
Uropygi	1	16	106
Amblypygi	5	17	136
Schizomida	2	34	205
Solifugae	12	141	1,087
Scorpiones	16	155	1,279
Pseudoscorpiones	24	425	3,239
Opiliones	25	500	6,000
Araneae	106	3,450	37,296
Parasitiformes	350-422	3,300-4,000	48,181
Acariformes			
TOTAL	545-617	8,055-8,755	97,682

(Harvey 2002)

Lost

carapacal pleural doublure
cardiac lobe
pedal gnathobases
moveable endites



Gain

aerial respiration
anteriorly or anteroventrally directed mouth
slit sensilla
fluid feeding

scorpions: originally 19

segments

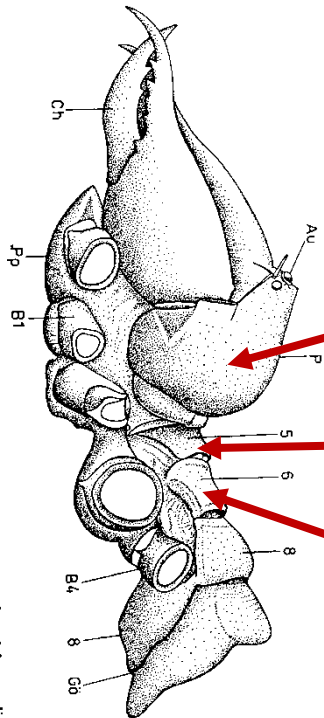
rest: originally 18

segments

prosoma: 6 segments

opisthosoma: 12 segments

Prosoma (solifugae, palpigrades, schizomida, harvestmen)



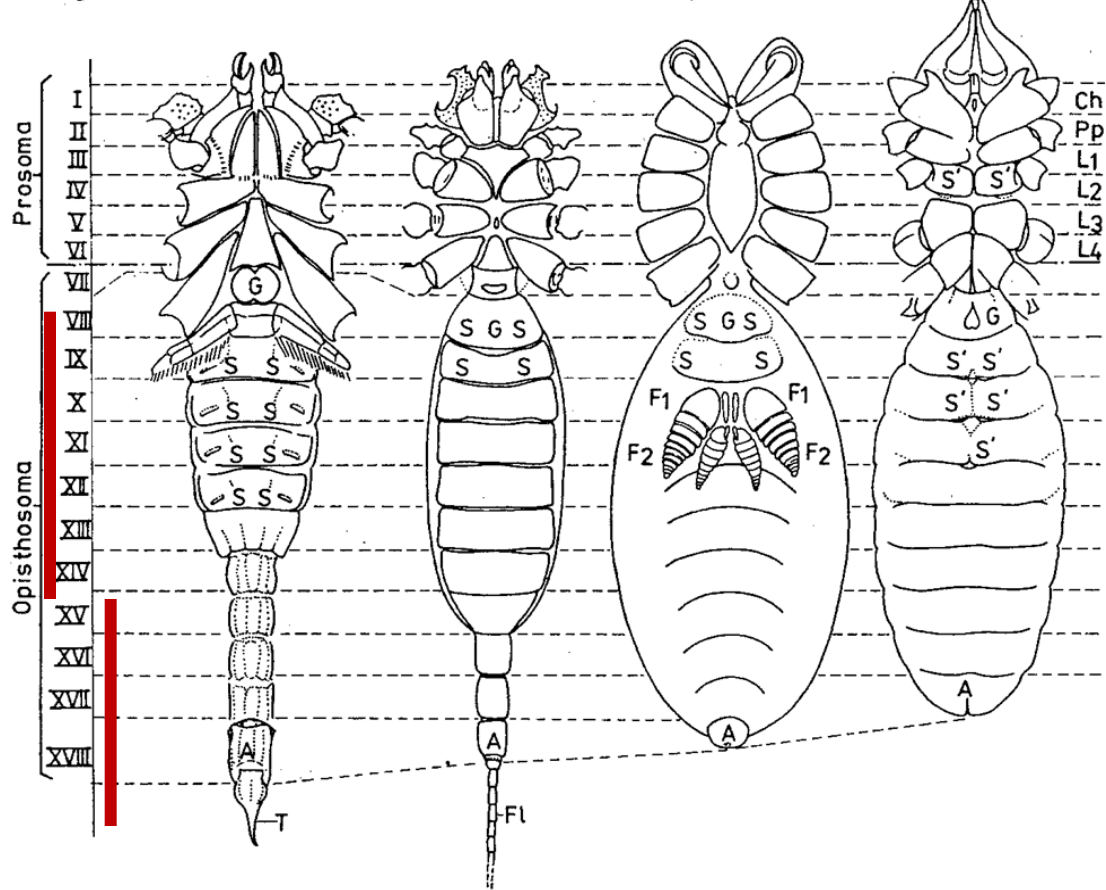
Propeltidium = proterosoma

First two pairs of legs

mesopeltidium

metapeltidium

} **histerosoma**



Opisthosoma (scorpions)

mesosoma – tergite, sternite

Metasoma - ring

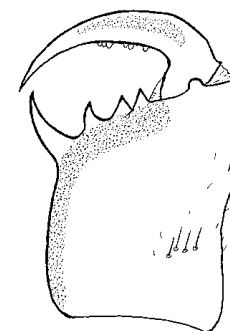
Appendages

- chelicerae

chelate



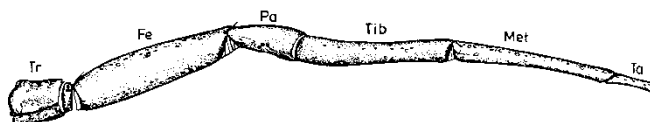
subchelate



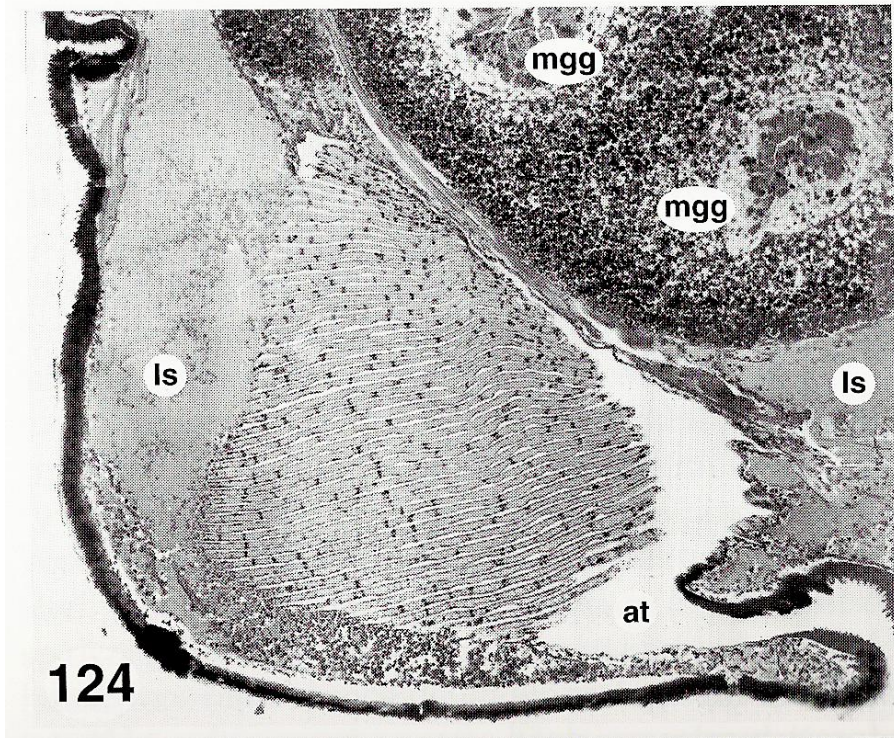
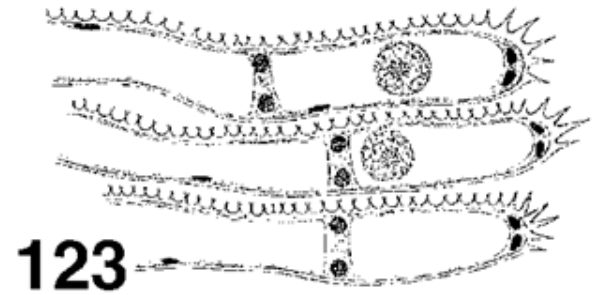
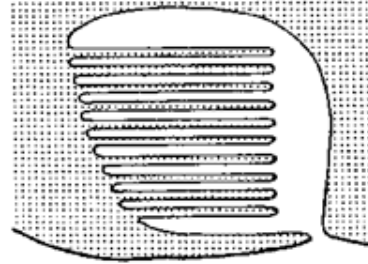
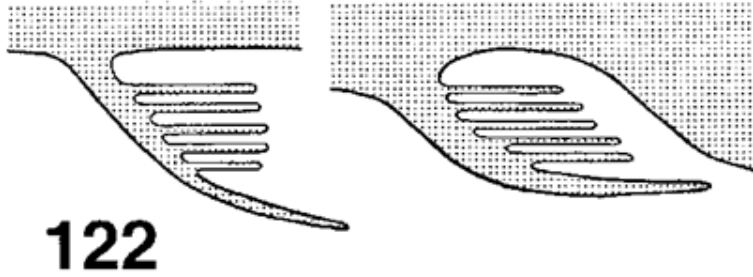
- pedipalps



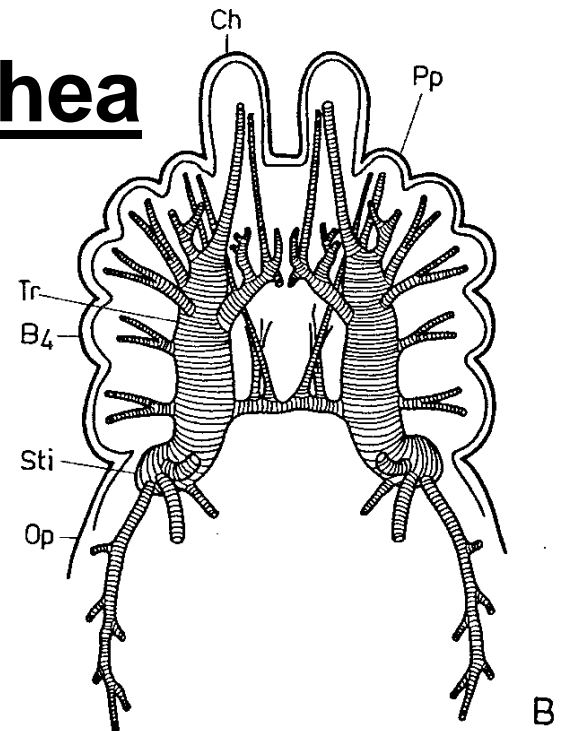
- 4 leg pairs



Respiratory system book lungs

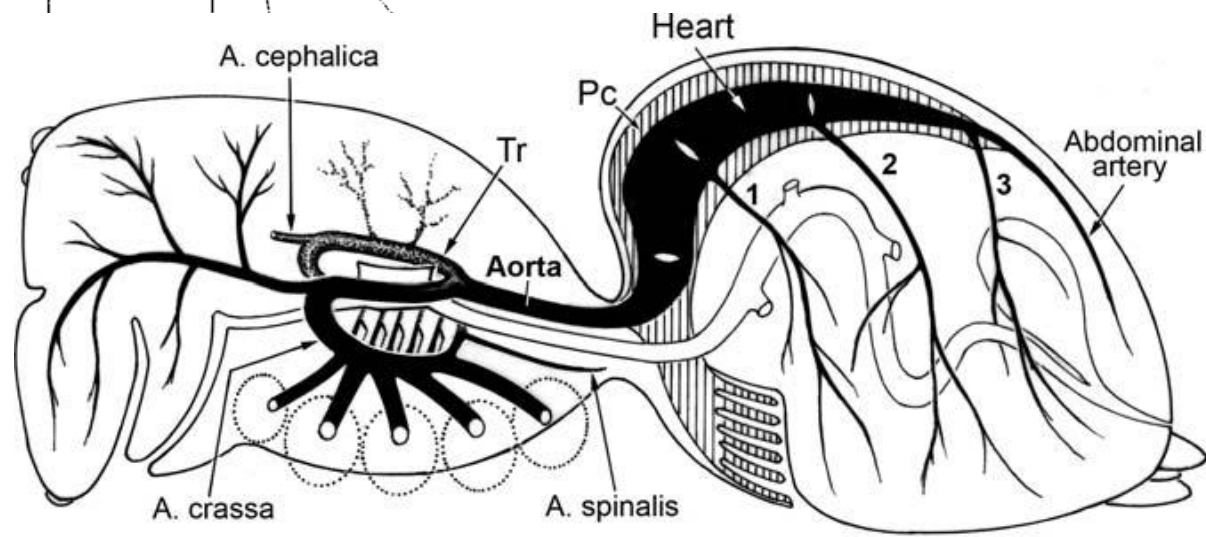
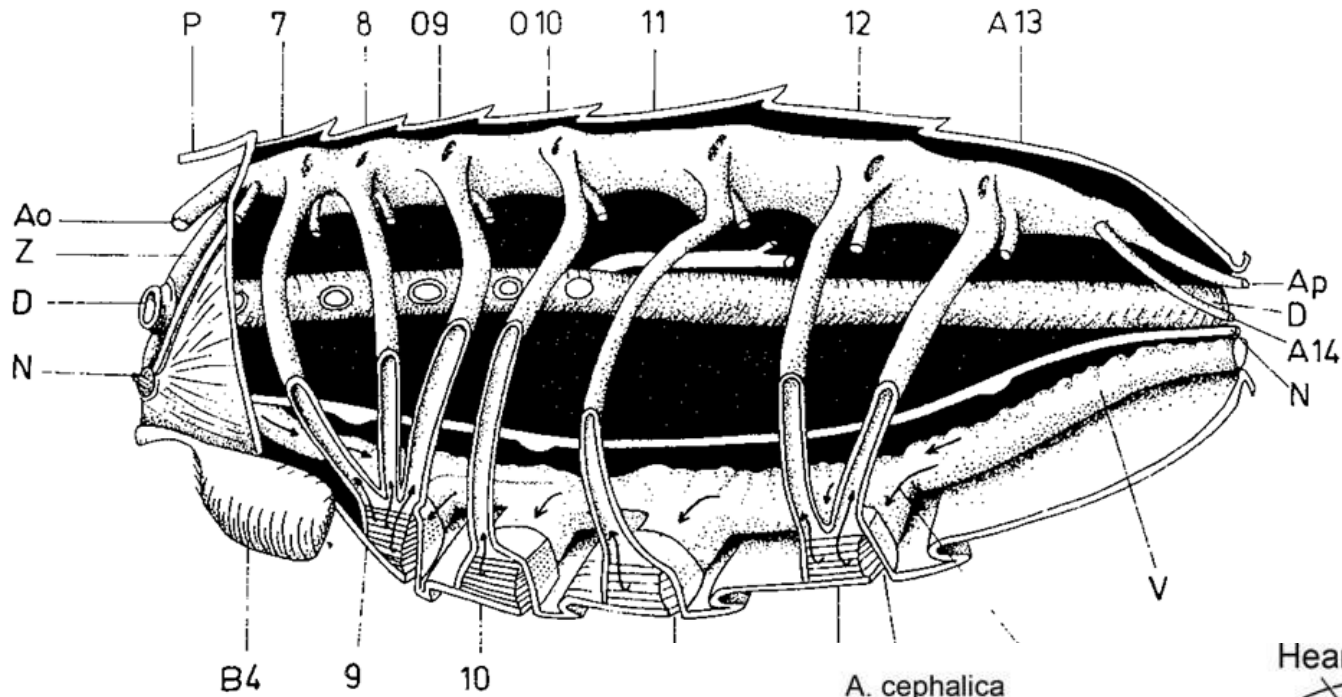


trachea



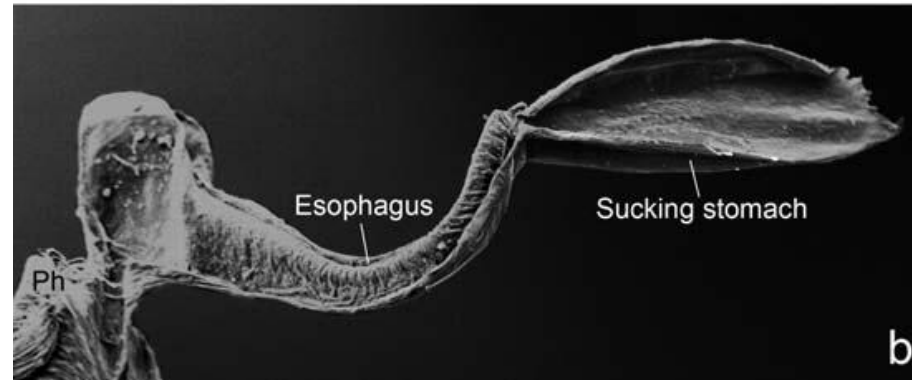
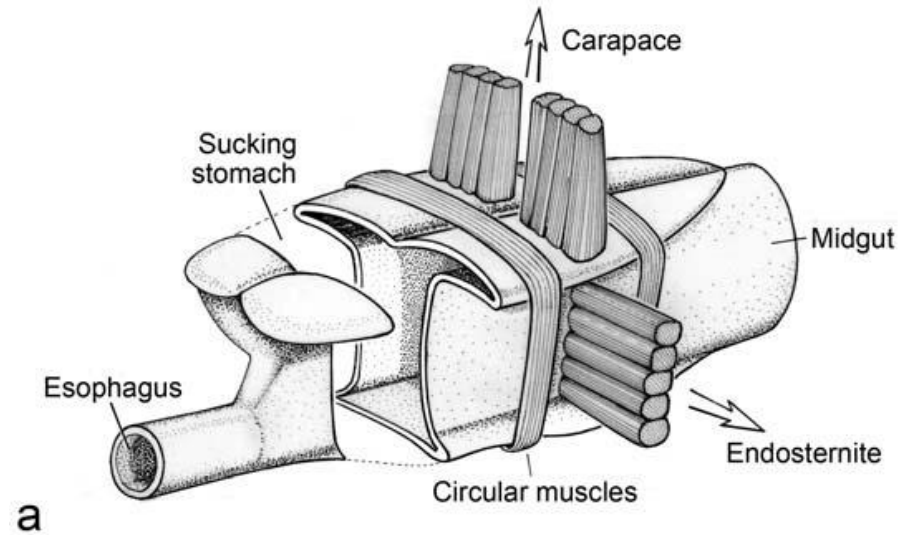
Circulatory system

Tubular heart in pericardium with pairs of ostia



Digestive tract

- **esophagus**
 - relatively straight and simple
 - lined with cuticle
- **sucking stomach**
 - robust
 - lined with cuticle
 - Controlled with many muscles
 - Effective sucking pump

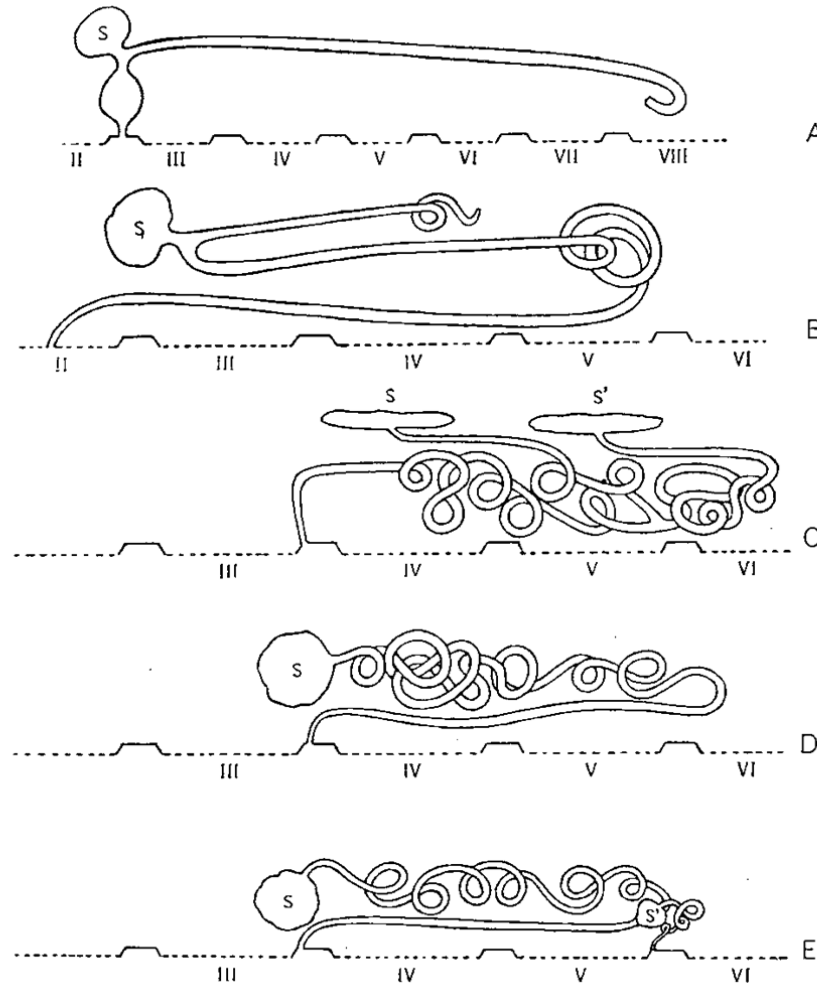


Excretion

entodermal Malpighian tubules – non-selective diffusion of salt solutions, reabsorption of nutrients and water in the gut

coxal glands = metanefridia

depository excretion - guanin



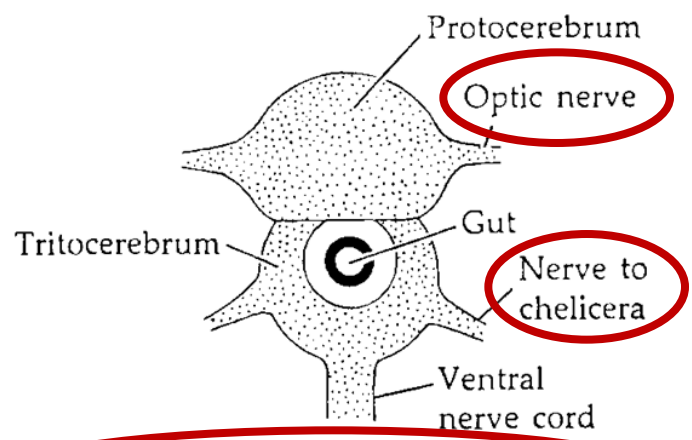
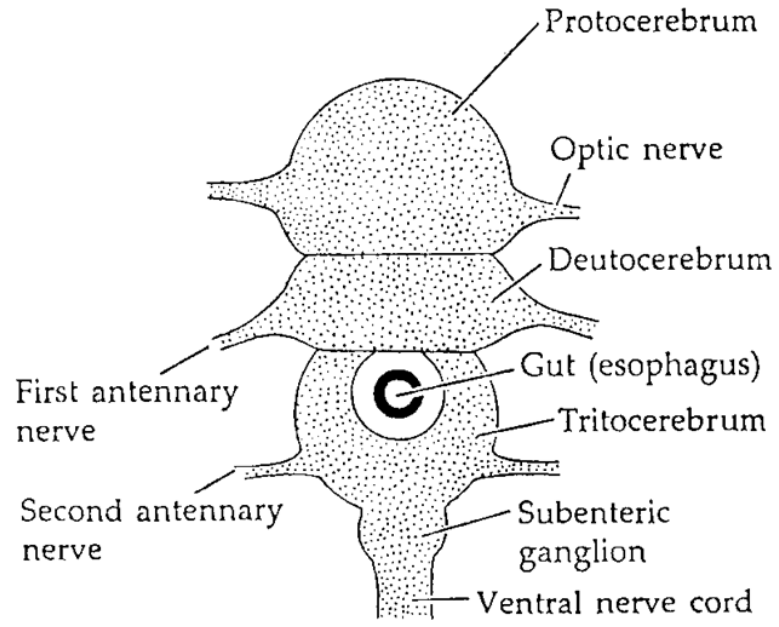
palpigrades

solifuges

uropygids

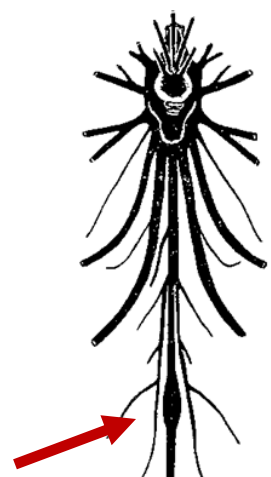
amblypygids

Nervous system: caudocranial fusion



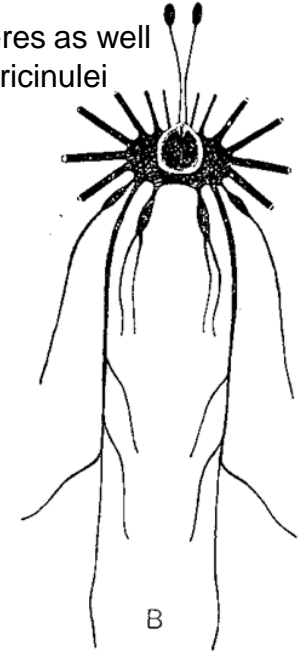
subesophageal g. - pedipalps, legs

solifuge: 17 neuromeres as well as in palpigrades and ricinulei

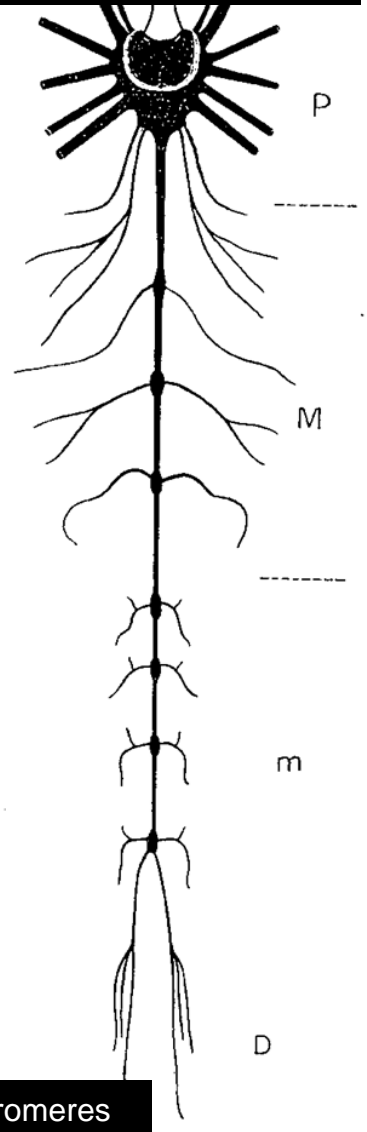


front of opisthosoma

harvestman: 16 neuromeres



scorpion: 19 neuromeres

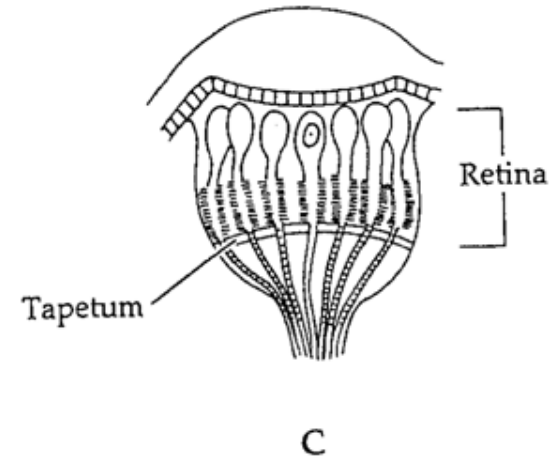
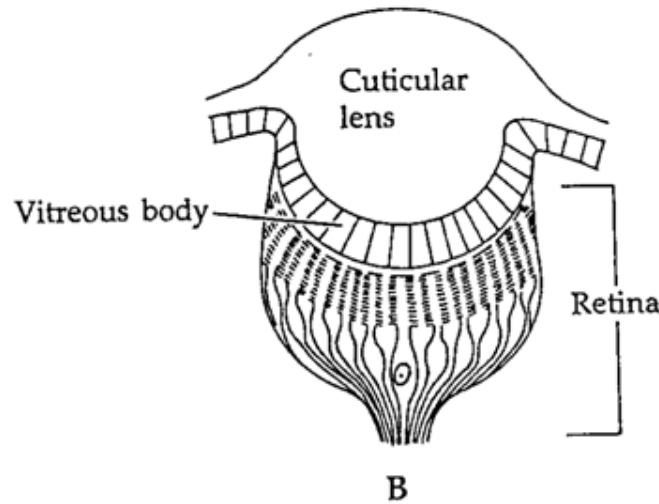
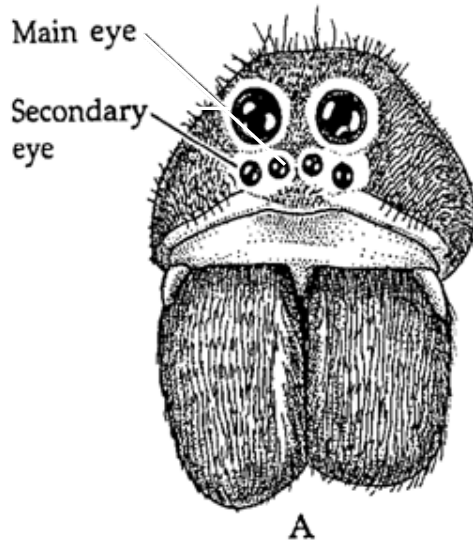


palpigrades: 17 neuromeres

tick: 10 neuromeres

tetrapulmonates and pseudoscorpions: 18 neuromeres

vision: ocelli

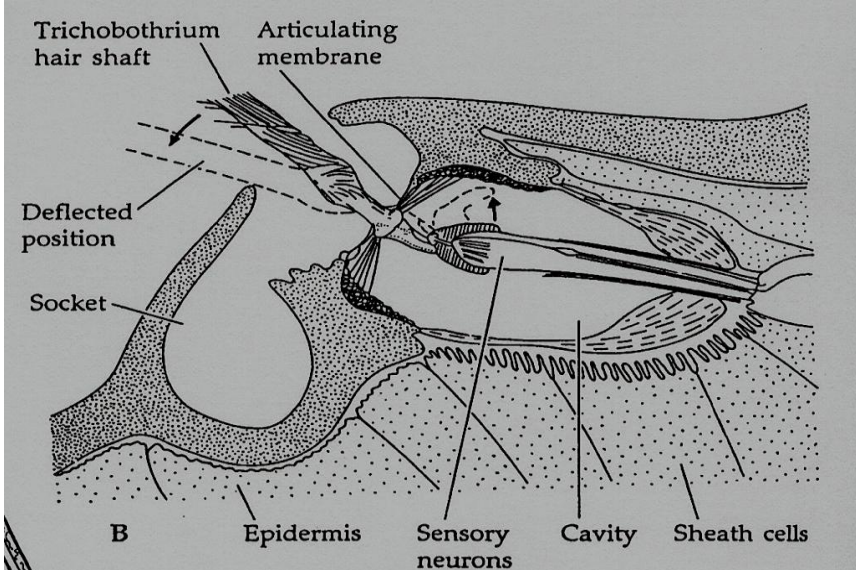


main (evertse) –
anterior median eyes,
black, rod cells facing
to the object, retina
controlled by muscles,
in Salticidae and
Thomisidae large,
absent in Dysderidae

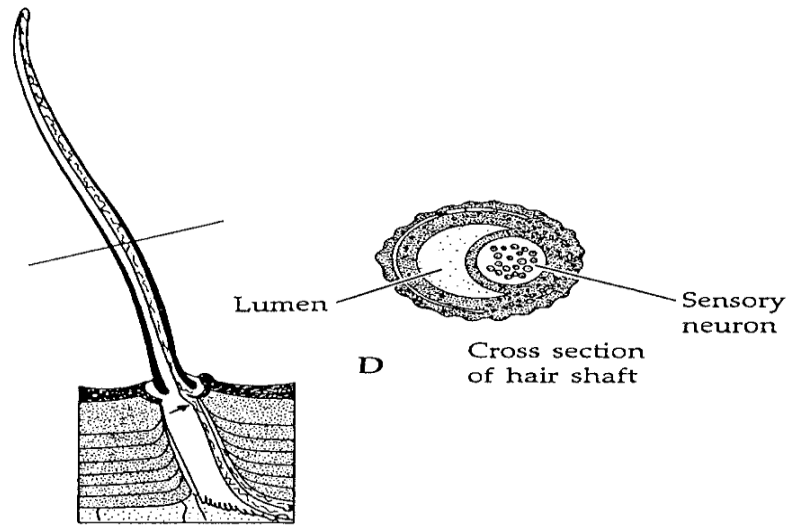
secondary (inverse) –
rod cells immersed in
retina, tapetum
lucidum – layer of dark
reflexive pigment, no
muscle control

Cuticular sensory organs

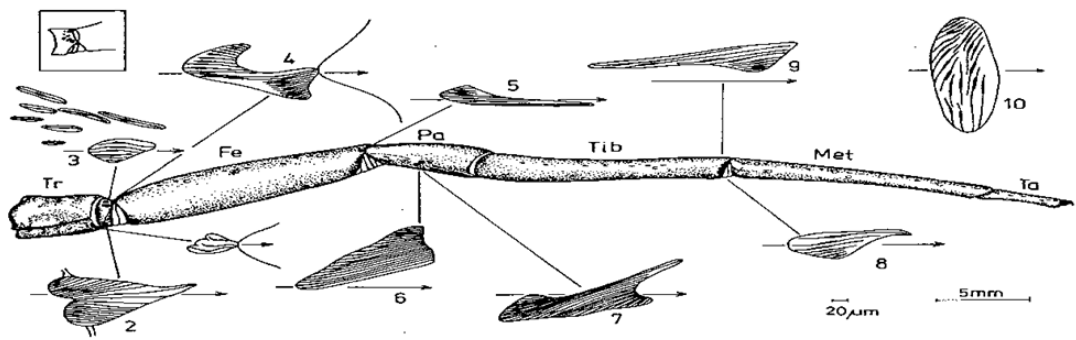
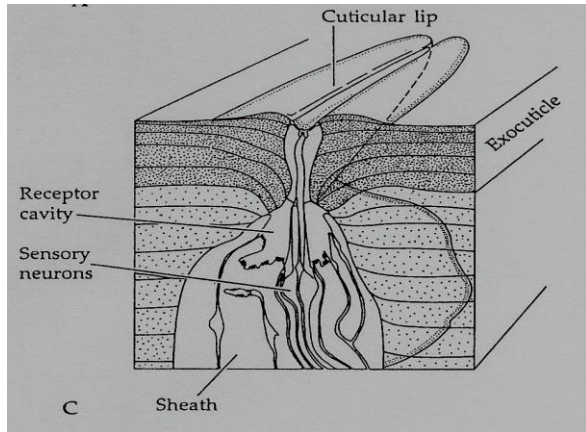
trichobothria - hearing



setae (=sensilla) - olfaction



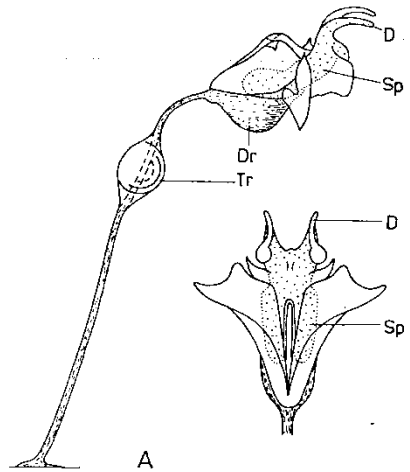
slit sensilla – lyriform organs



Reproduction

gonochorists – gonopore on 8. body segment

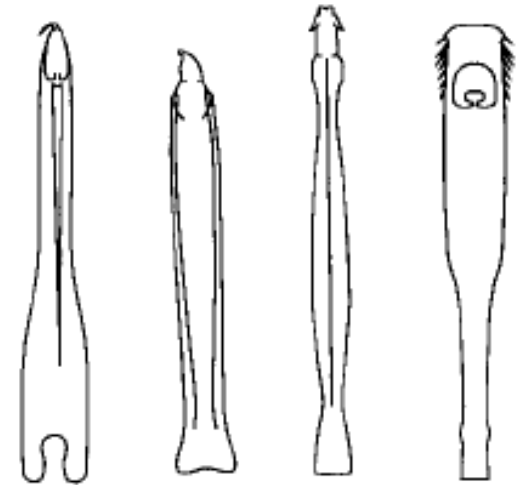
spermatophores



second. cop. organ

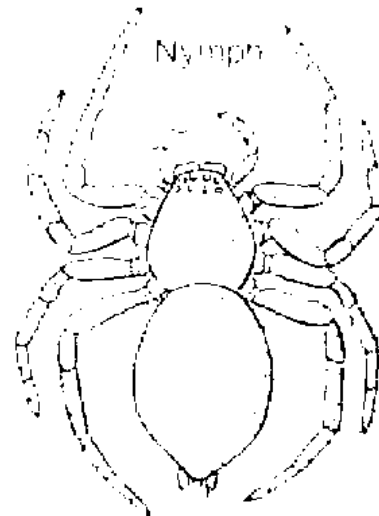
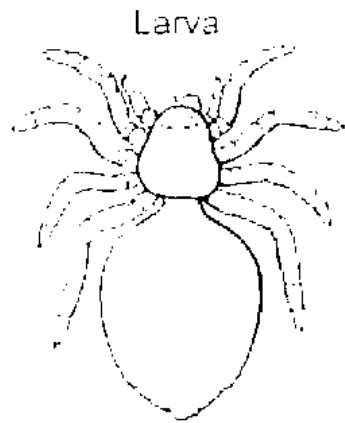
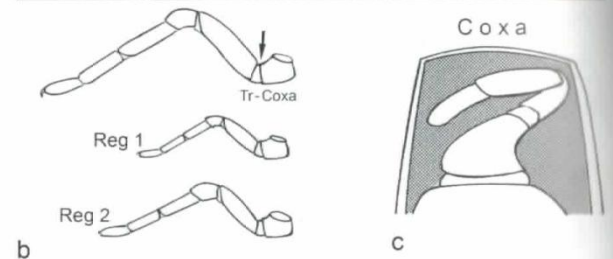
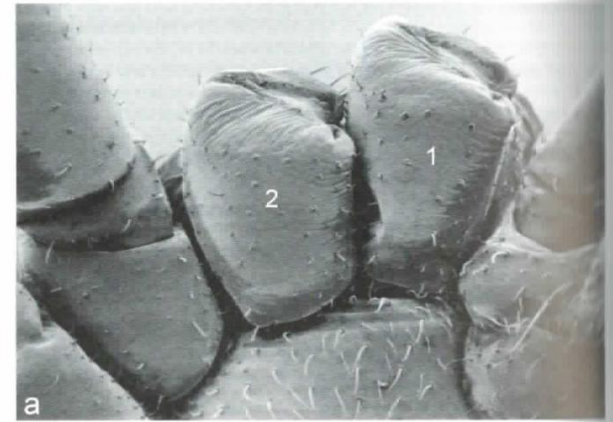
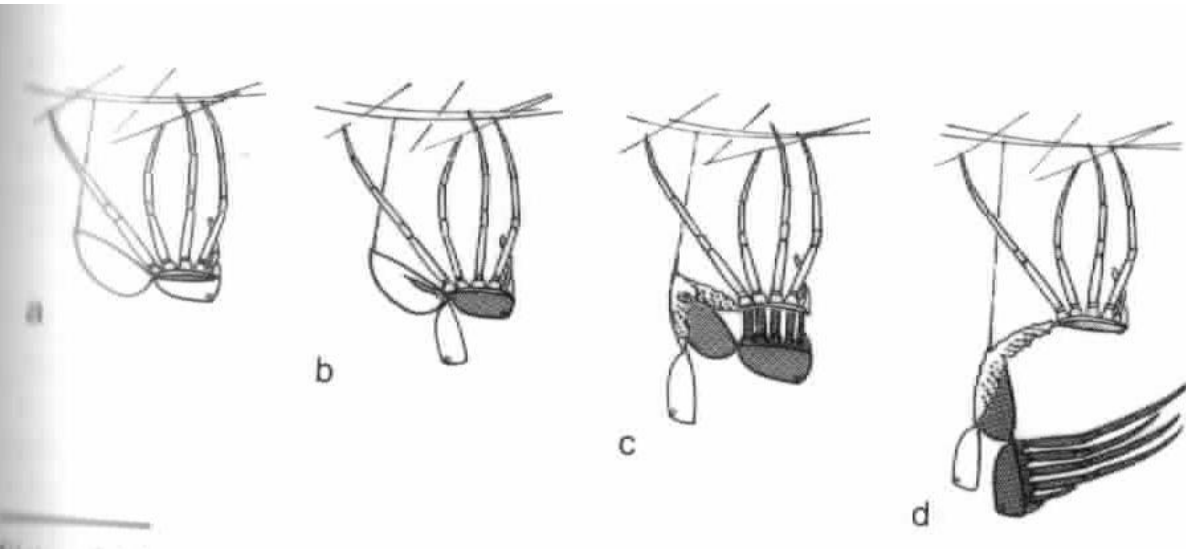


penis



parthenogenesis: several spider species, Amblypygi, Palpigradi, Schizomida, scorpions, pseudoscorpions, **mites**

ontogeny: ecdysis, direct



Pseudoscorpiones

period: Devonian – recent

diversity: 3380 species, 439 genera, 25 families

distribution: whole world

cuticle: without hyaline layer

prosoma: carapace, rostrisoma – projections on palpal coxae in front of mouth, sternum covered by coxae

opisthosoma: 12 segments, last one – circumanal ring

pedicel: absent

eyes: only lateral: 0-2 pairs

chelicerae: 2 segments, chelate, spinning gland at the end of flexible finger – silken cells for copulation, ecdysis, overwintering

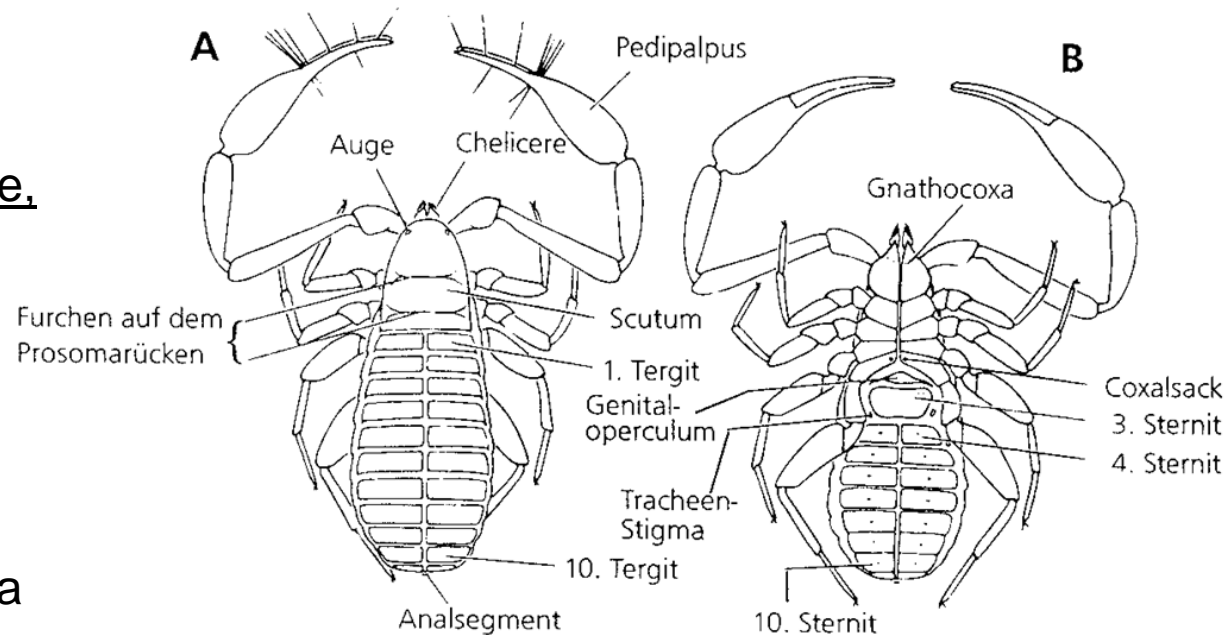
pedipalps: 6 segments, with chela, venom gland, gnathocoxa

legs: 6-7 segments, elongated patellae, 1-2 tarsal segments, 2 claws

respiration: 2 pairs of trachea on 9.-10. segment (3.-4. abdominal)

food: fluid

reproduction: spermatophore, cocoon, **protracted ovovivipary:** embryos around gonopore



Scorpiones

period: Silur-recent

diversity: cca 1900 species, 184 genera, 16 families

body: 1–20 cm

cuticle: special hyaline layer

prosoma: gnathosoma, small sternum between 3. and 4. leg pair, a pair of large epistomal arms running backwards toward endosternite

mesosoma: 8 segments, 2: gonopore,

3: pektines, 4-7: book lung openings

metasoma: 5 segments+telson (no true segment), paired venom gland

pedicel: absent

eyes: 1 pair of median,

0-5 pairs of lateral

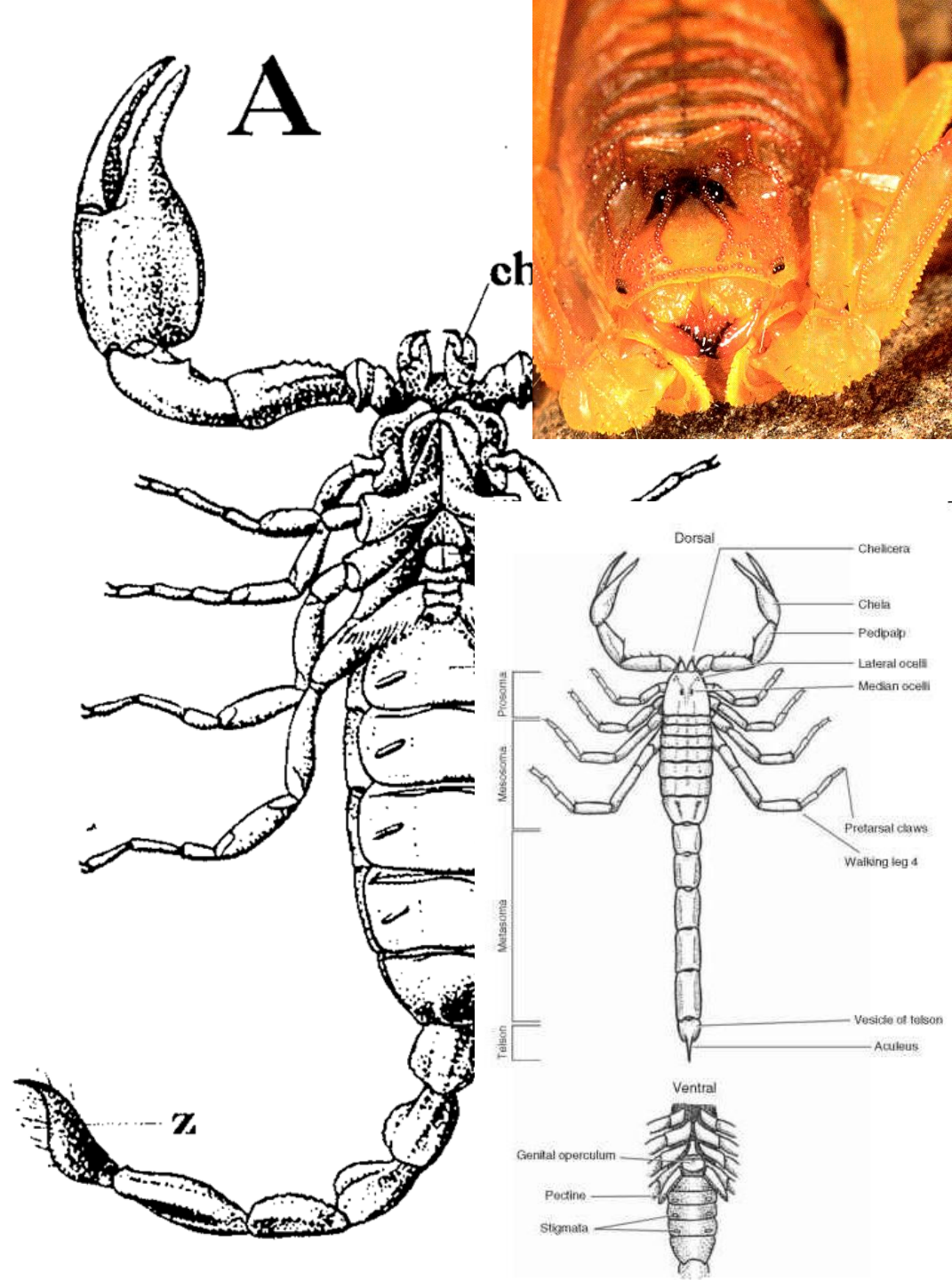
chelicerae: 3 segments, chelate

pedipalps: 6 segments, flexible finger

legs: 7 segments, gnathocoxae on each pair, tarsi: 2 claws

respiration: 4 pairs of book lungs

food: fluid, hepatopancreas, stomotheca – space in front of mouth formed by coxapophyses of palps and 1. leg pair



Toxicity - neurotoxin

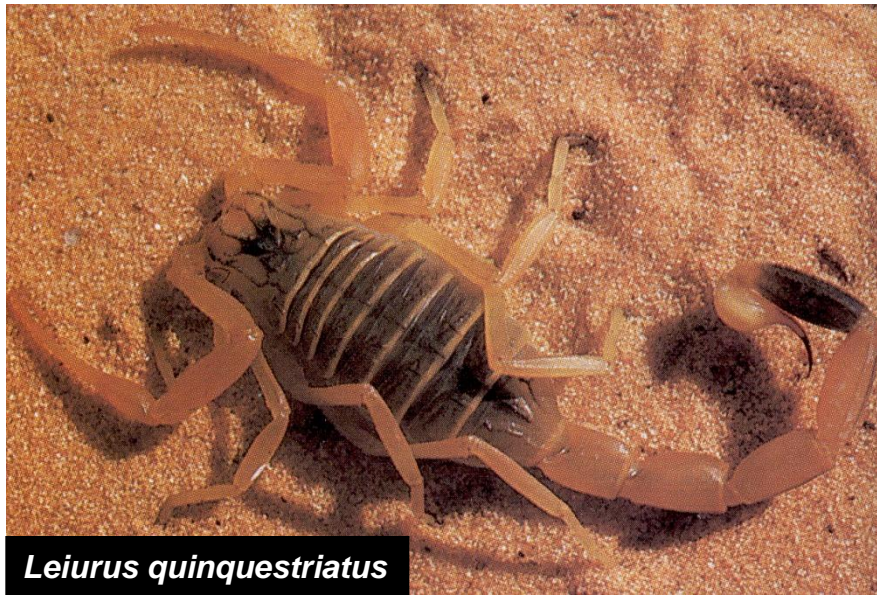
family Buthidae

Tityus sp. – South America

Centruroides exilicauda – Central Amerika

Androctonus australis – North Afrika

Leiurus quinquestriatus - Mediterranean



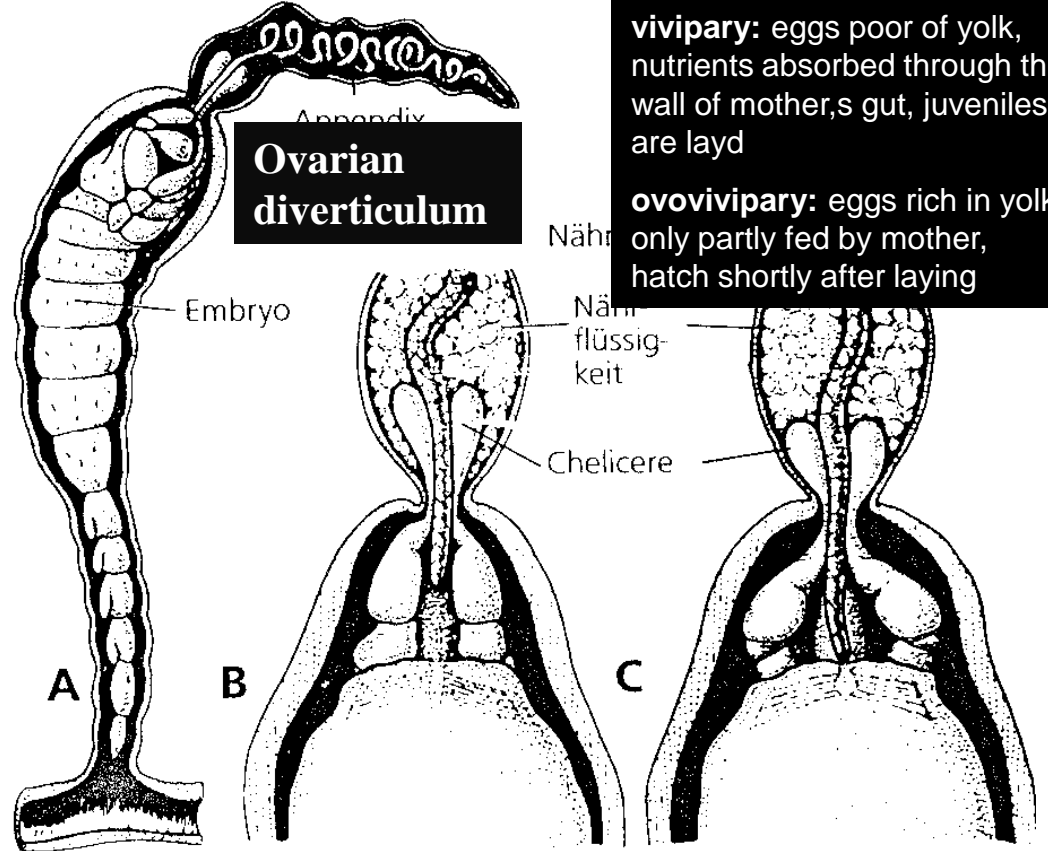
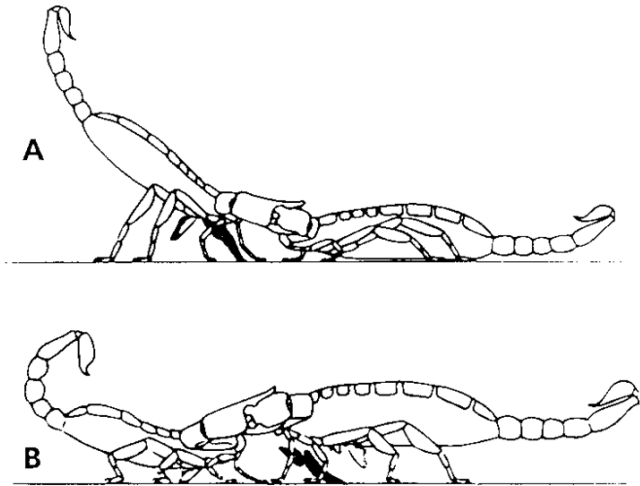
Reproduction



embrya develop in oviducts

vivipary: eggs poor of yolk, nutrients absorbed through the wall of mother's gut, juveniles are layd

ovovivipary: eggs rich in yolk, only partly fed by mother, hatch shortly after laying



Ovarian diverticulum

Embryo

Nähr

flüssigkeit

Chelicere

Species specific spermatophore

Opening arm

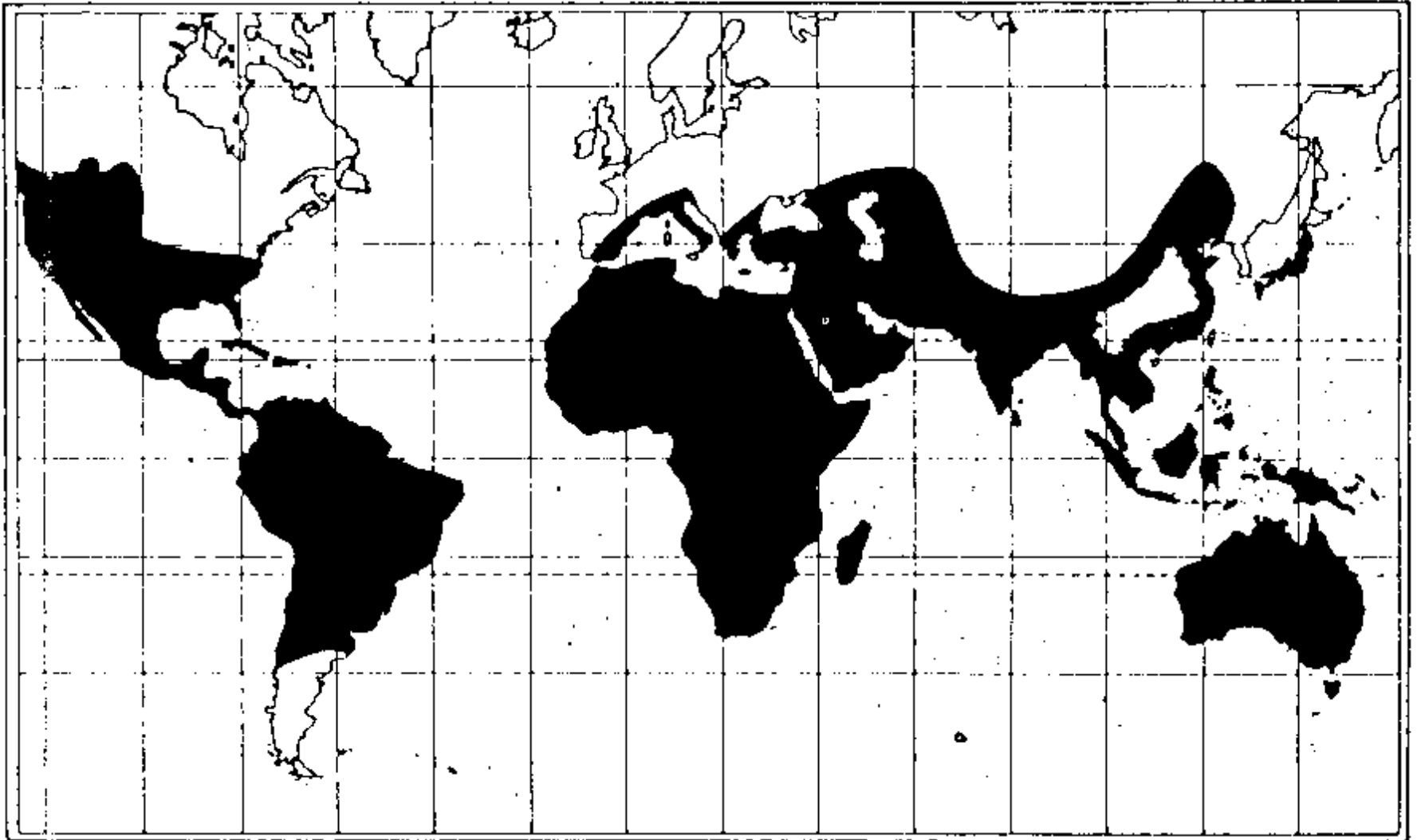
Spermia

Samenbehälter

Stiel

Fuß

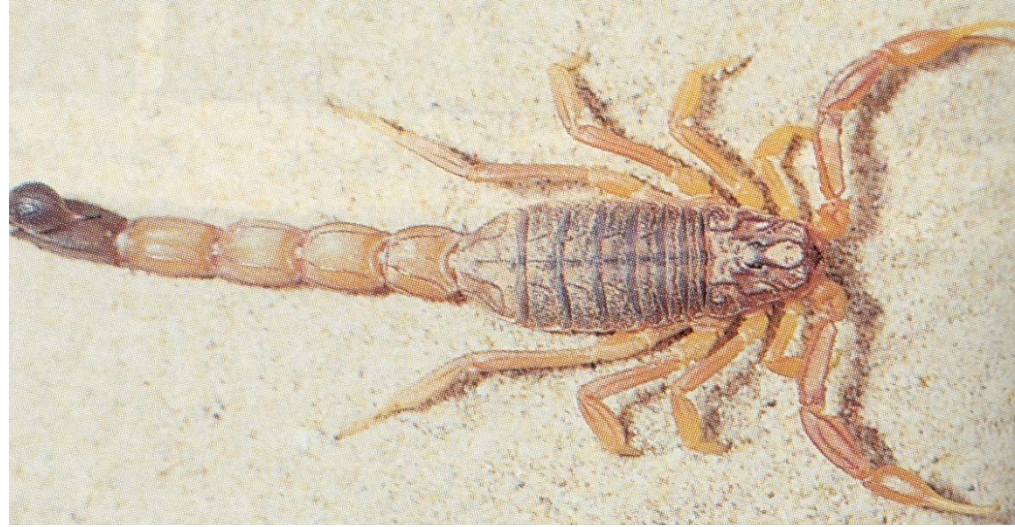
Scorpiones – world distribution



Europe:

fam. Buthidae	9 species
fam. Iuridae	3 species
fam. Scorpionidae	3 species
fam. Superstitionidae	1 species
fam. Chactidae	13 species

family Buthidae: *Buthus occitanus*



family Chactidae: *Euscorprius tergestinus*



family Scorpionidae: *Pandinus imperator*



Trigonotarbida

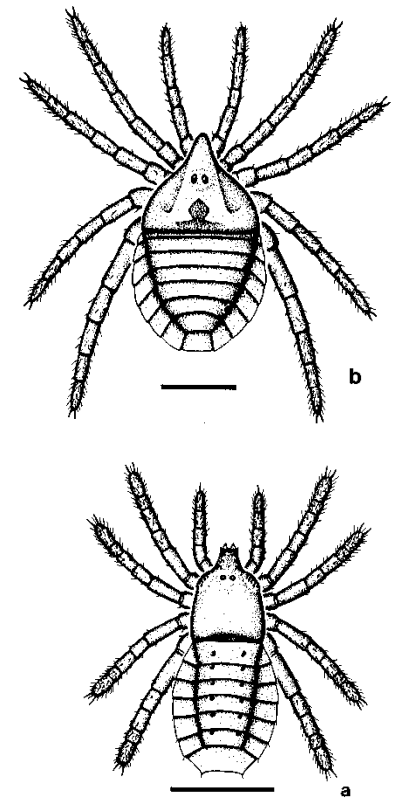
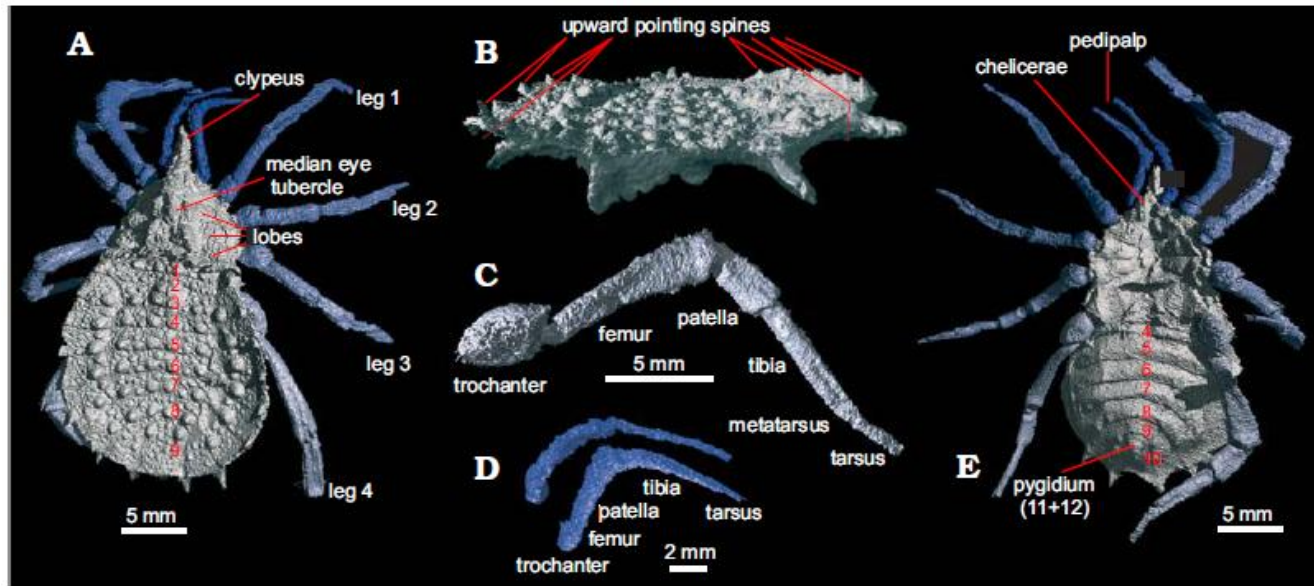


Fig. 3. XMT-based reconstruction trigonotarbid arachnid *Eophrynus prestvicii* (Buckland, 1837), from scans of BU 699. A. Dorsal view. B. Posterior view, legs removed, to show heavy opisthosomal ornamentation and spines (maximum width 15 mm). C. Fourth walking limb with podomeres labelled. D. Pedipalps with podomeres labelled. E. Ventral view. 1–12, segment numbers.

period: Silur-Perm, among the oldest terrestrial animals
diversity: 50 species, 7 families
body: 2-50 mm
opisthosoma: tergites laterally divided to median and 1-2 pairs of lateral,
 1. sternite absent, 1. tergite
 with a crest covering waist, 2-segmented pygidium
waist: constricted

eyes: median, lateral compound, later disappear
chelicerae: 2segmented, subchelate, directing downwards, backwards-directing fang, „clasp-knife“
legs: of the same length, with short basitarsi
respiration: 2 pairs of book lungs – 2. and 3. opisthosomal segment
ecology: predators

Thelyphonida (Uropygi)

Period: Carbon - recent

diversity: 108 species, 18 genera, 1 family

body: up to 75 mm

cuticle: hyaline layer absent

prosoma: carapace, 3 sternites

opisthosoma: 12 segments,

10-12 seg.: pygidium,

flagellum (telson) – direction of repugnatory gland

secrete,

paired openings of repugnatory

glands on sides of the anus

pedicel: present

eyes: 1 pair of median,

3-5 pairs of lateral

chelicerae: 2 segments, subchelate

pedipalps: 6 segments, working horizontally,

capturing prey, cx fused

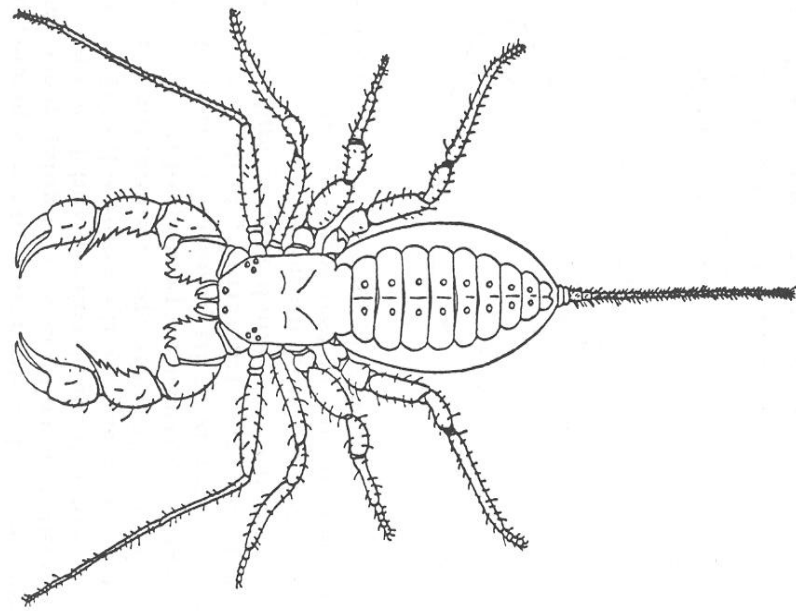
legs: 7 segments, 1. pair elongated, elongated

patella, ta secondarily articulated, tarsi of the 2.-4.

pair 3segmented

respiration: 2 pairs of book lungs

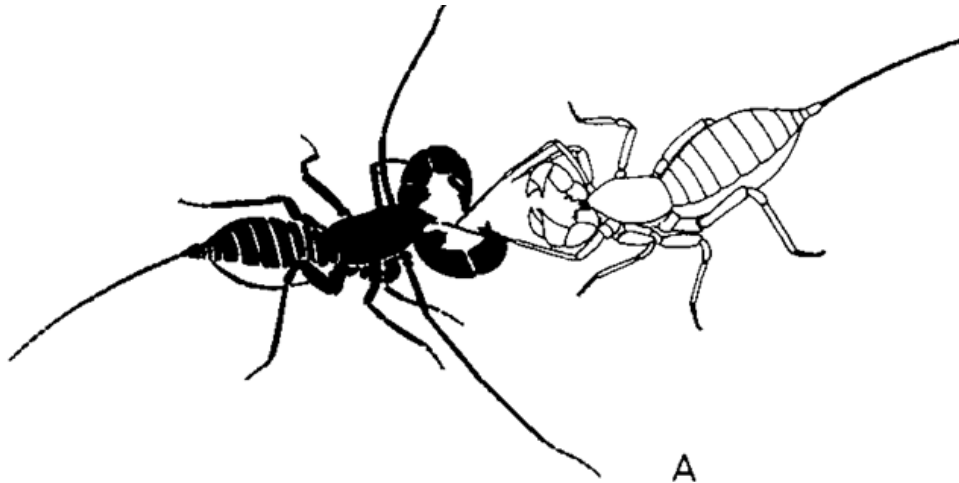
food: fluid, sucking oesophagus



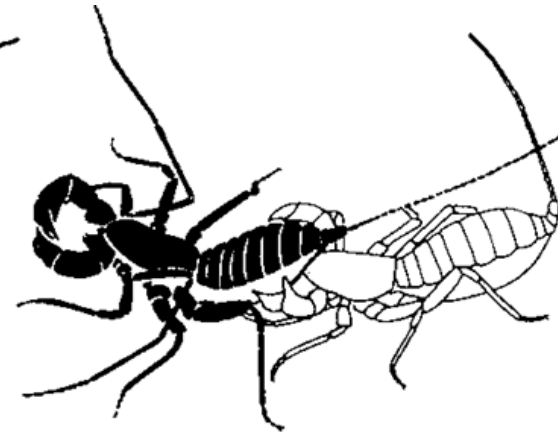
Mastigoproctus giganteus

Reproduction

- spermatophore is inserted by male pedipalps
- retreats in soil
- eggs attached to the gonopore
- females carry prenymphs on their back



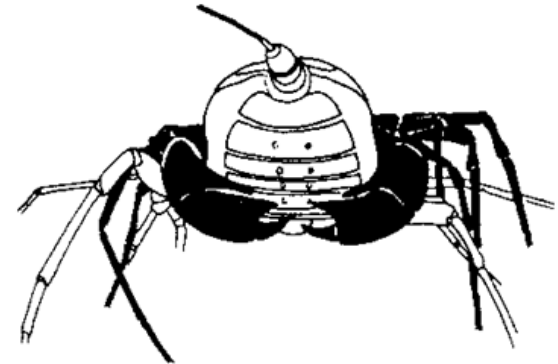
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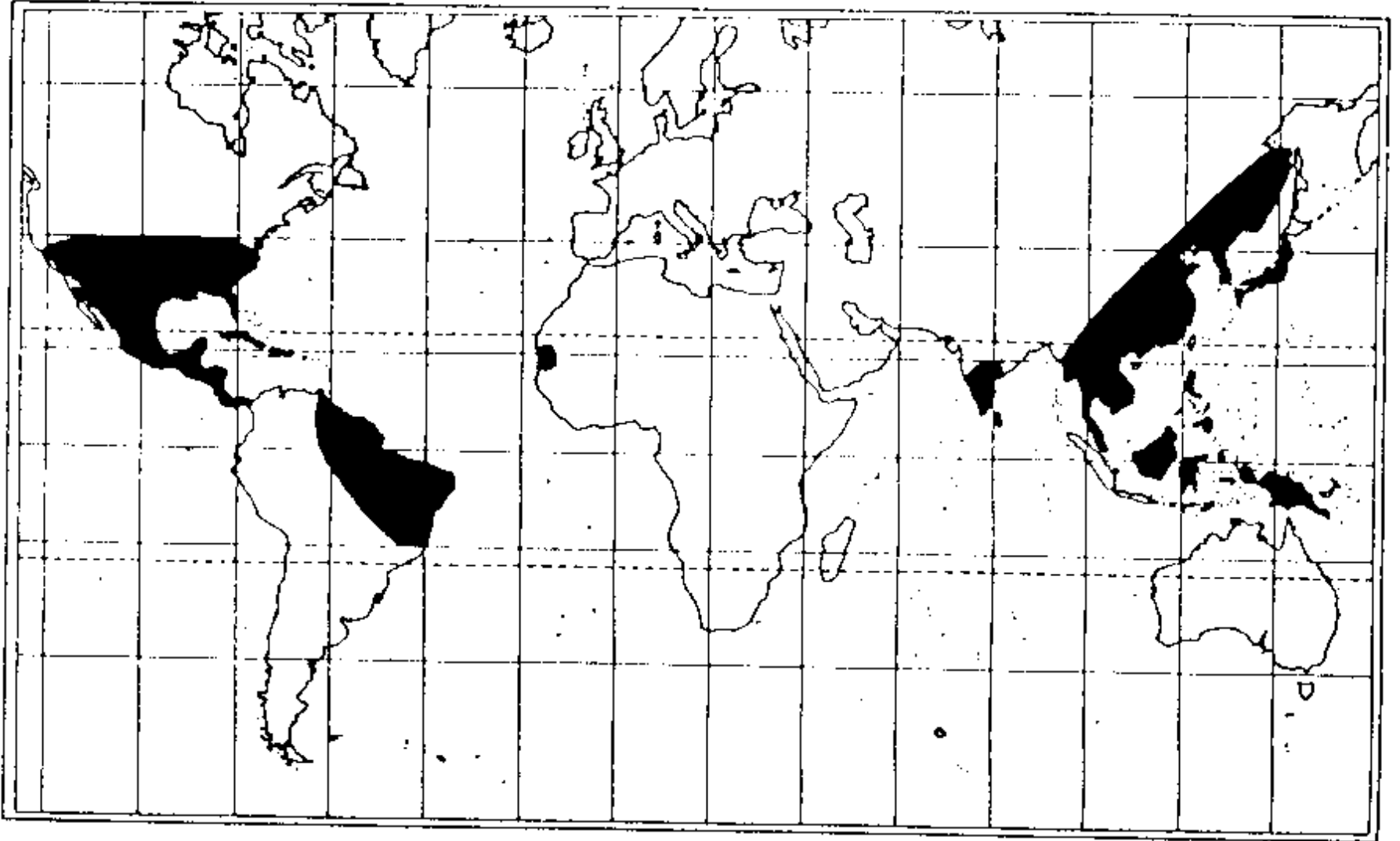


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Uropygi – world distribution



Schizomida

Period: Paleogene (Oligocene) - recent
diversity: 258 species, 46 genera, 2 families

distribution: humid tropics of the whole world,
three introduced species in Europe

body: up to 18 mm

cuticle: without hyaline layer

prosoma: propeltidium,
mesopeltidium,
metapeltidium, pointing karapax, 2 sternites
between 2. and 4. coxae

opisthosoma: 12 segments, repugnatoric
glands,
mesosoma, metasoma –
3-4 segmented pygidium+
max. 4 segmented flagellum (telson)

pedicel: present

eyes: absent

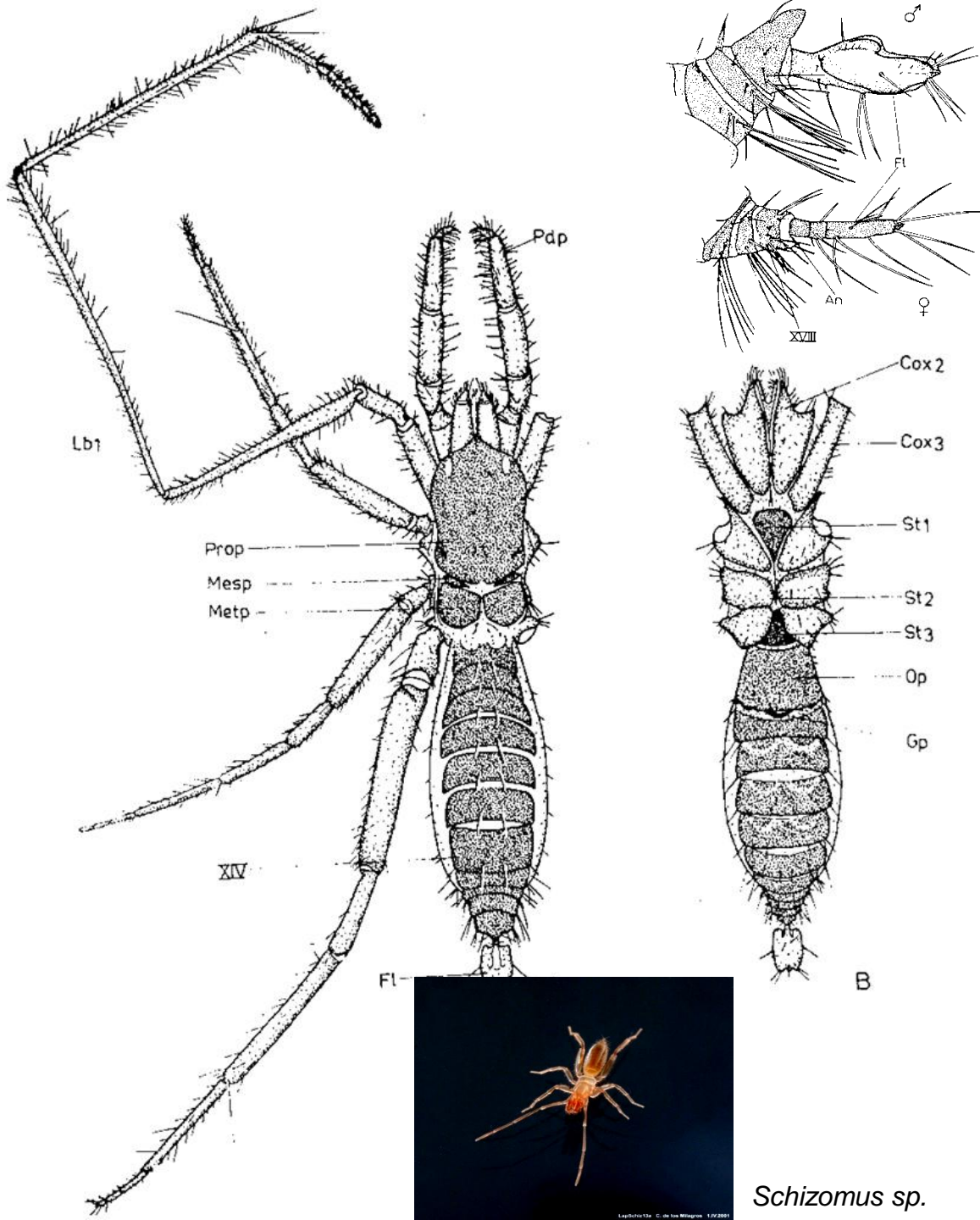
chelicerae: 2 segments, almost chelate

pedipalps: 6 segments, movable in vertical
direction, capturing prey, cx fused

legs: 7 segments, 1. pair with elongated
patella, tactile organ, ta 3 segments

respiration: 1 pair of book lungs

food: fluid



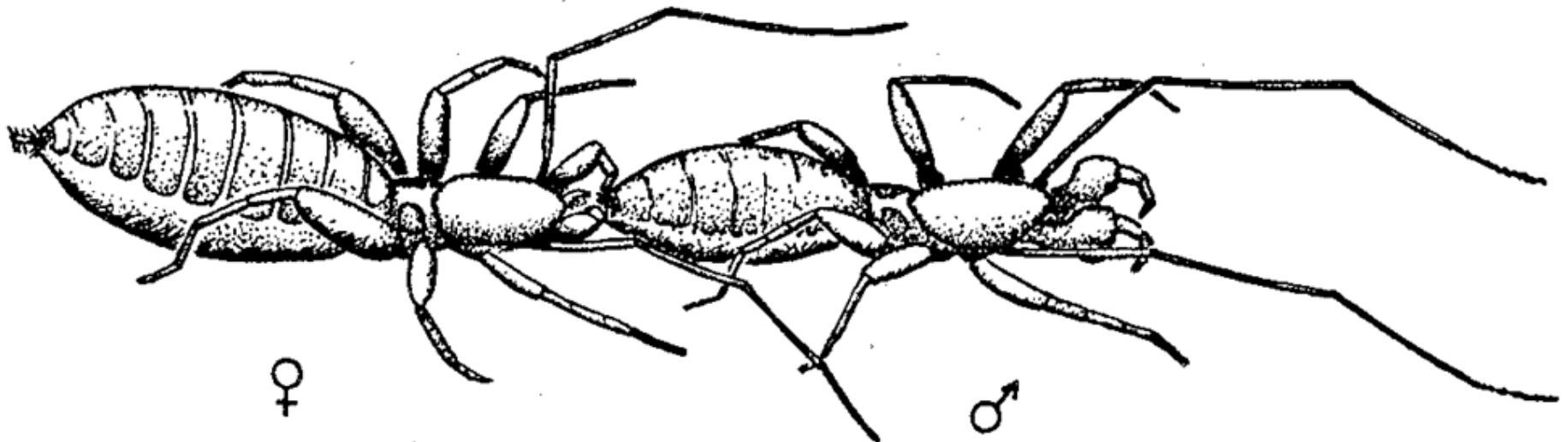
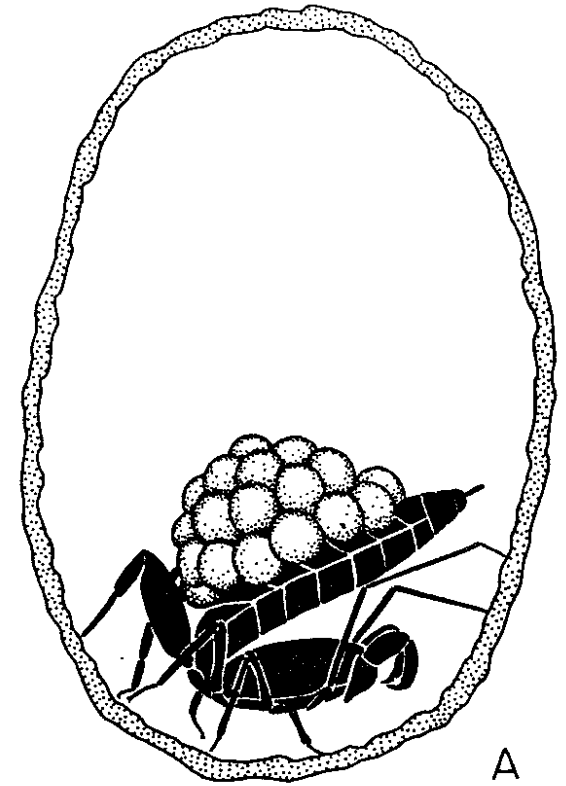
Schizomus sp.

Reproduction

spermatophore

eggs attached close to gonopore

female guards eggs in retreat in soil



Amblypygi

period: Devonian - recent

diversity: 158 species, 17 genera, 5 families

body: flat, 10-45 mm

cuticle: without hyaline layer

prosoma: carapace, wide sternum from 3 sternites

opisthosoma: 12 segments, 3 small terminal segments, last one – pygidium, protruding vesicles

pedicel: present

eyes: 2 median, 6 lateral

chelicerae: 2 segments, subchelate

pedipalps: 6 segments, elongated, capturing prey, with thorns

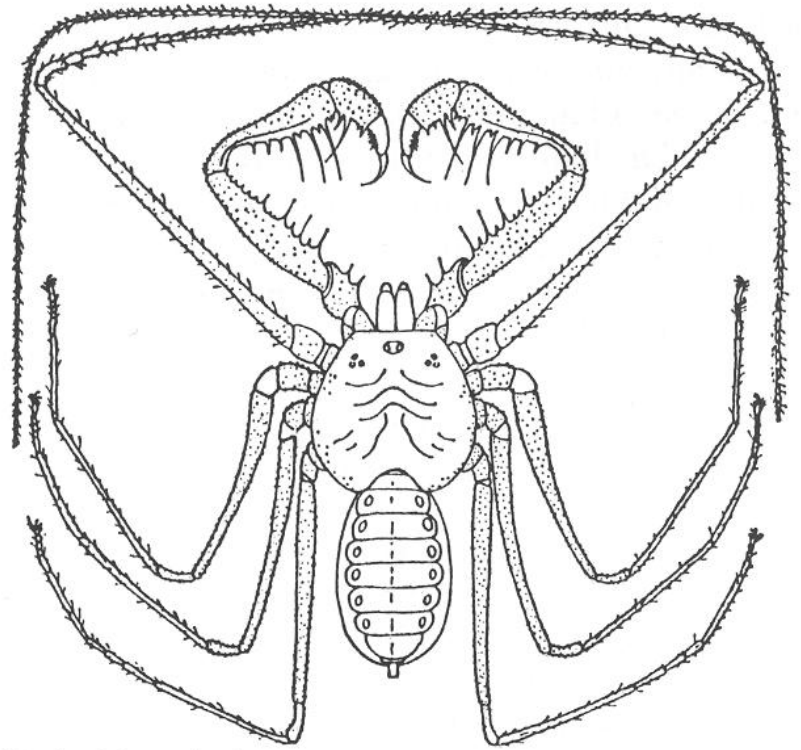
legs: 1. pair elongated, ta and ti subsegmented, 2-4 pair: 3segmented tarsi, 2 claws, pedal pulvilli

respiration: 2 pairs of book lungs

secretion: coxal glands on 3. leg pair

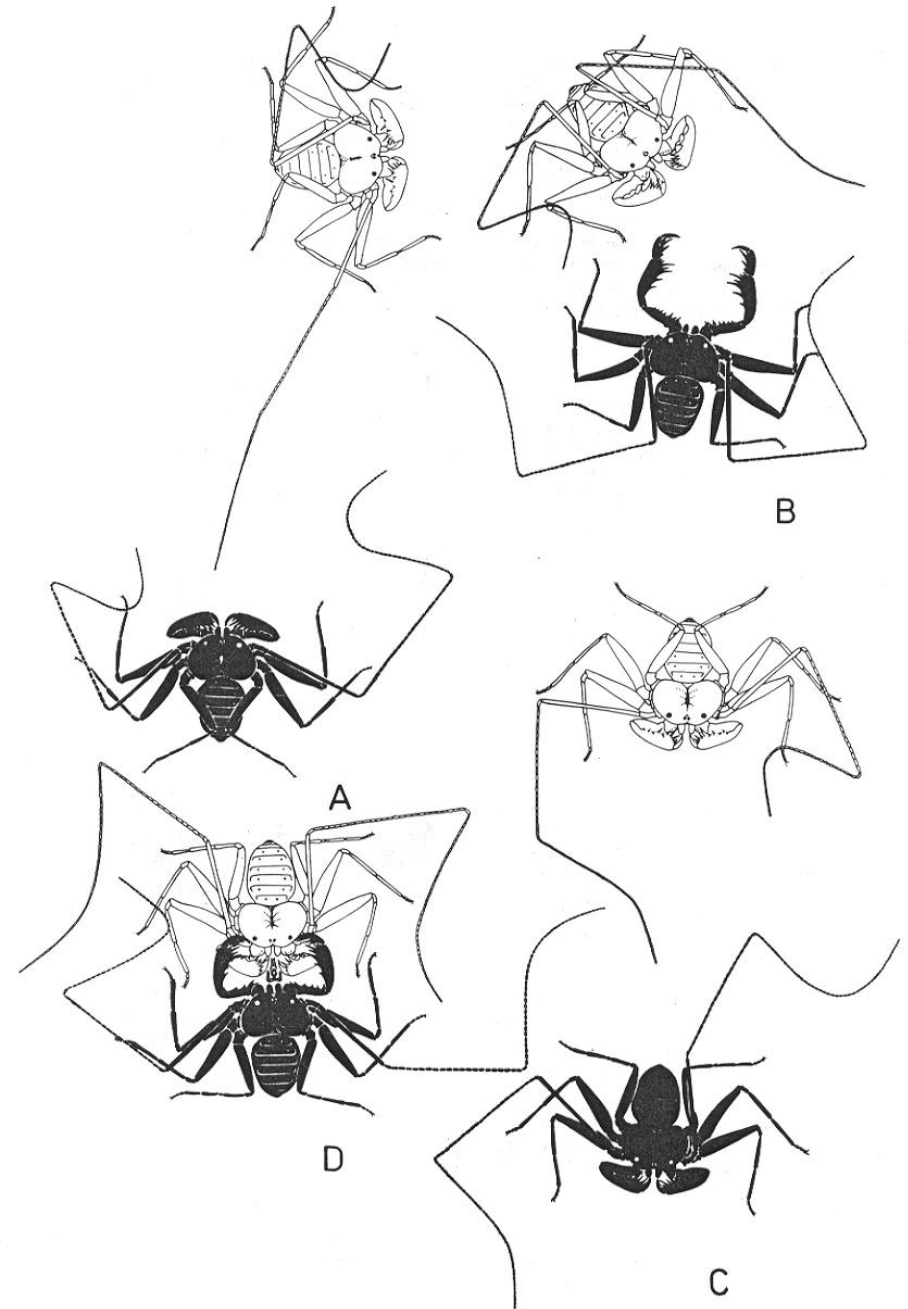
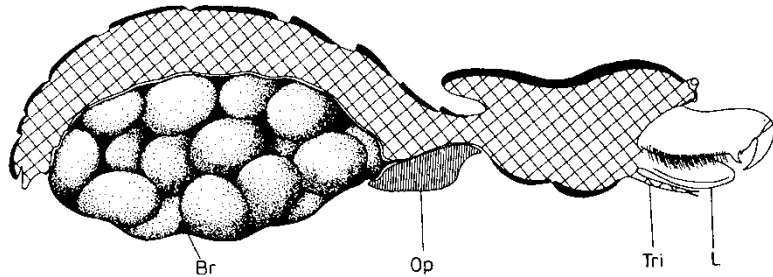
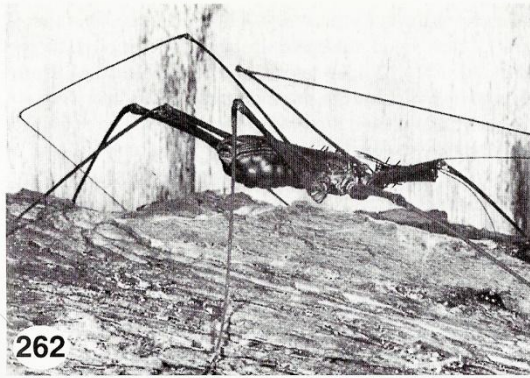
food: fluid, sucking

esophagus and proventriculus



Reproduction

- spermatophore
- eggs attached to the gonopore
- female carries praenymphs on her back



Amblypygi – world distribution

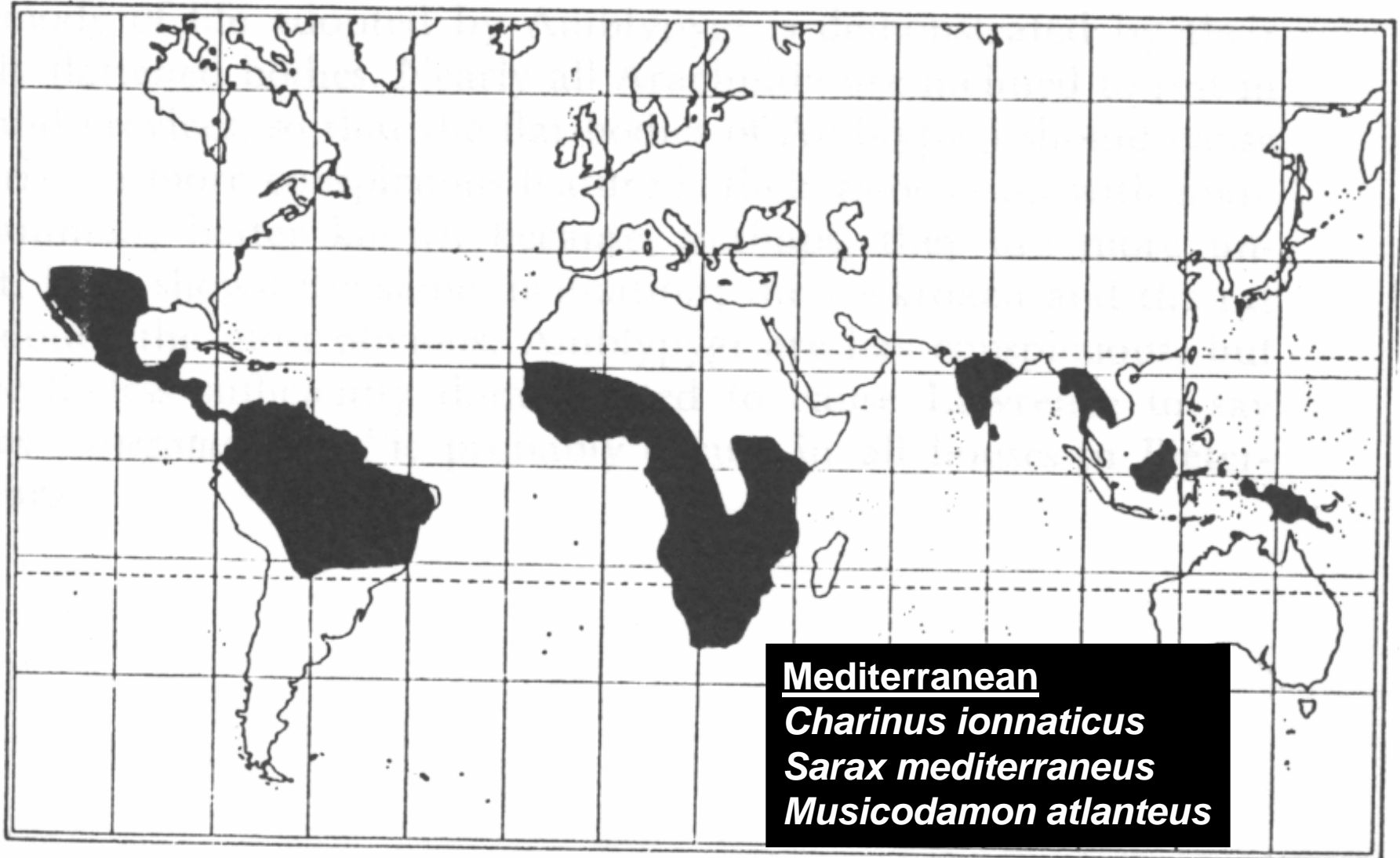


FIG. 48. Map showing distribution of *Amblypygi*.

Haptopoda

period: Carboniferous

diversity: 1 species

body: flat, 12 mm

prosoma: karapace pointed, with keels, sternum reduced - 2 sclerites

opisthosoma: large genital plate

waist: wide

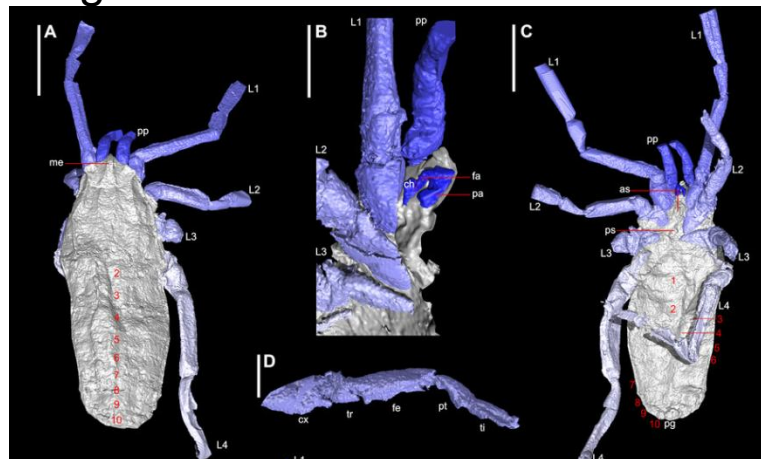
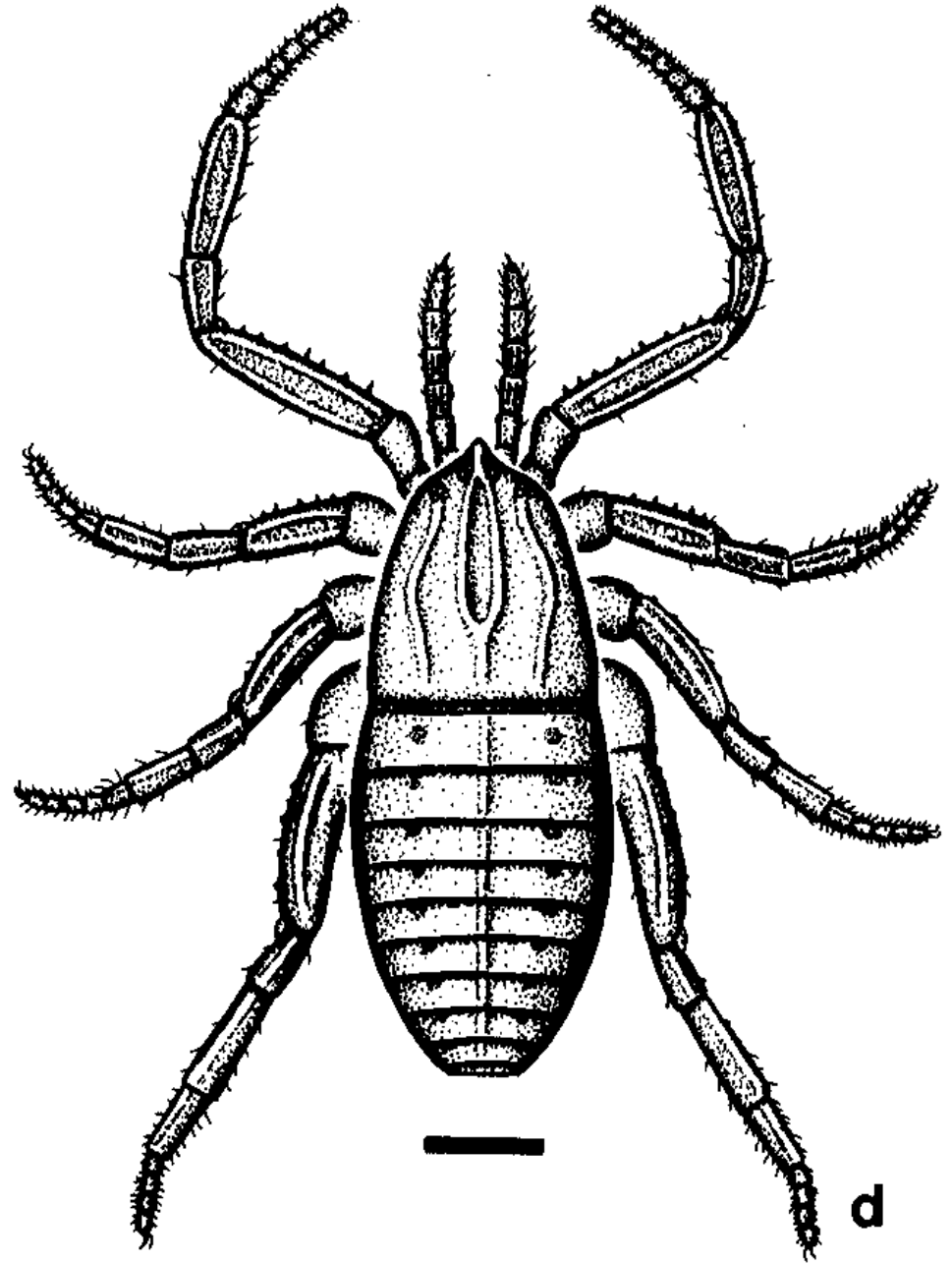
eyes: 2 median,

2 lateral eye tubercles

chelicerae: 2 segments, clasp-knife

pedipalps: pediform

legs: 1. pair elongated, with 6 tarsal segments, 2.-4. pair with 4 tarsal segments



Uraraneida

period: Devon-Perm

diversity: 2 species

Attercopus, *Permarachne*

Chelicerae: fang without setae, opening of the venom gland?

Palps: femur with a field of spines (Fig. B)

legs: comb-like tarsal claws, no fissure on the distal edge of patellae

Opisthosoma: spigots along sternite edges (Fig. C) –

production of silk, no spinnerets; postanal, at least

12 segmented flagellum

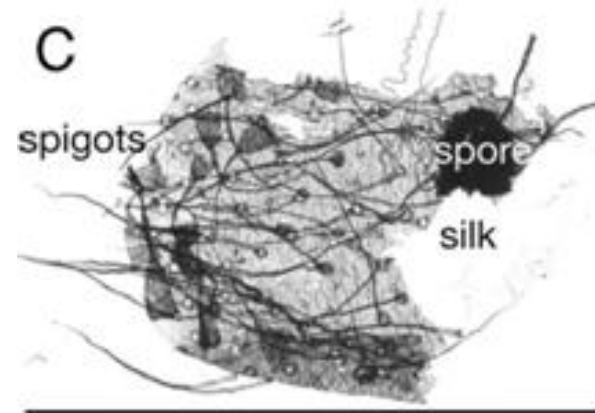
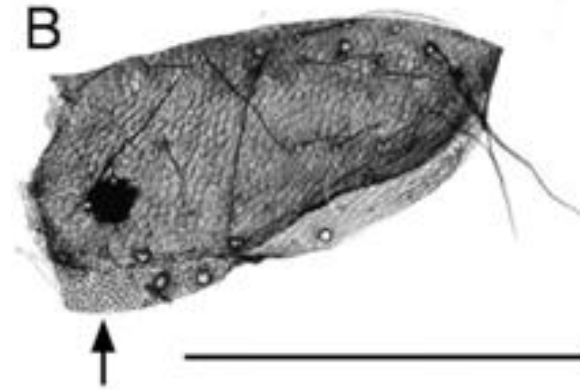
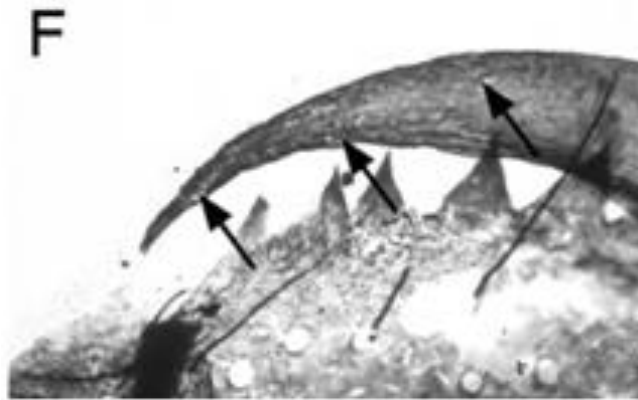
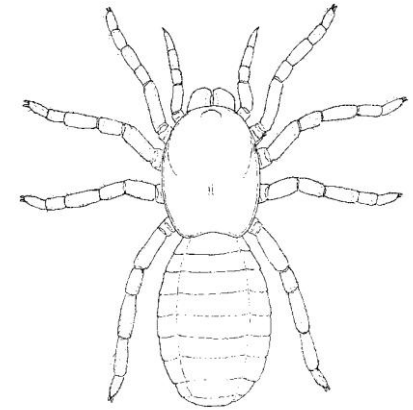
relatives: sister group of spiders

Idmonarachne brasieri –

Carbon, no telson, no spinnerets



Idmonarachne brasieri



Chimerarachne yingi

Period: Cretaceous

Chelicerae: plagiognath, presence of venom gland unclear

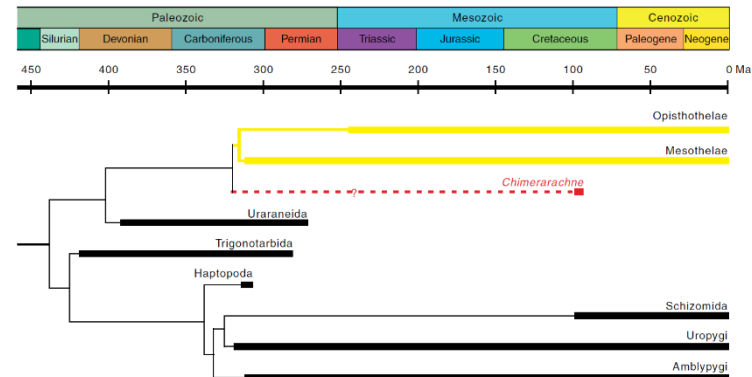
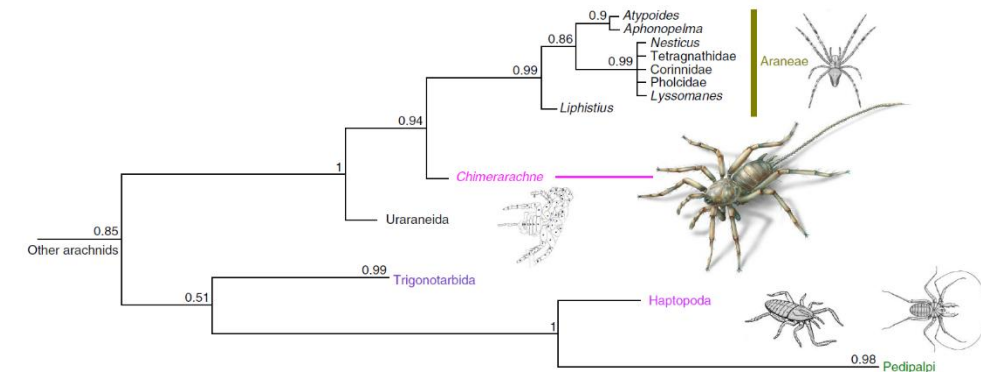
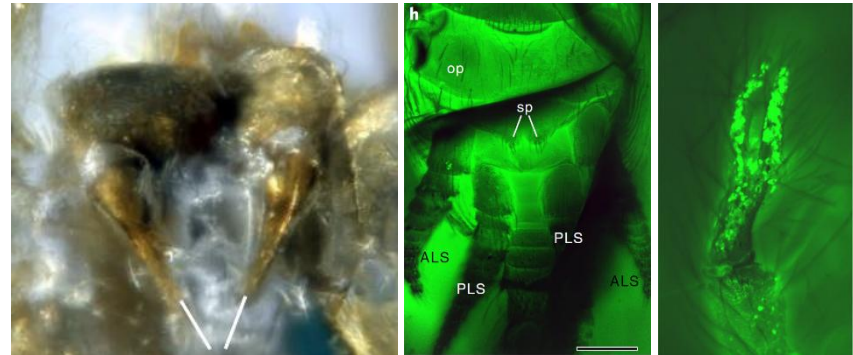
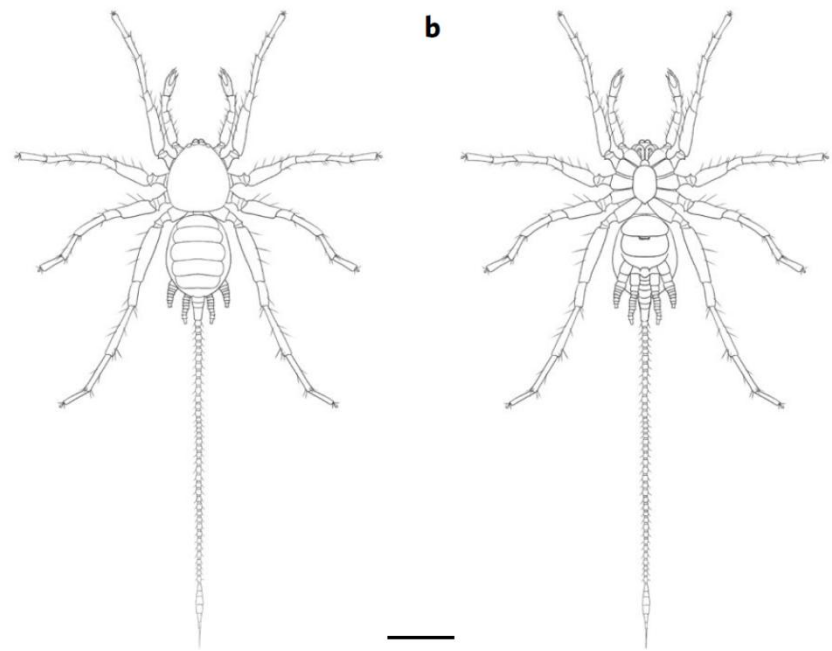
Palps: tarsus bifurcated – copulatory organ

Legs: tarsus with three claws

Eyes: on median and lateral tubercles

Opisthosoma: pygidium with flagellum, multisegmented

ALS and PLS shifted backwards, in position of AMS only spigots, PMS absent



Araneae

period: from Carbon (*Palaeothele*)
diversity: over 50 thousand species, 110 families

distribution: whole world

body: 1-80 mm

cuticle: without hyaline layer

prosoma: wide sternum, labium, apodema

opisthosoma: originally 2 pairs of spinnerets on 4.-5. segment, pedicel=petiolus

eyes: originally a pair of median, and a pair of lateral triads

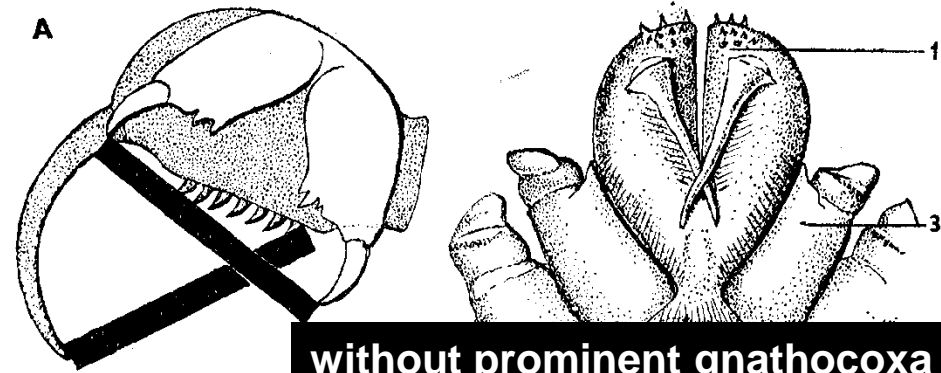
chelicerae: 2 segments, subchelate, venom gland

pedipalps: 6 segments, tactile, in males secondary copulatory organs, gnathocoxae

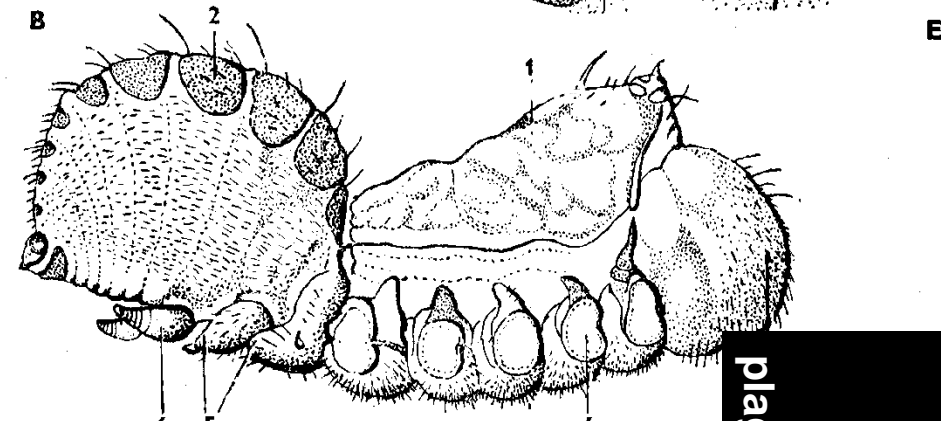
legs: 2-3 claws on tarsi

respiration: 0-2 pairs of book lungs, 0-2 pairs of tracheae

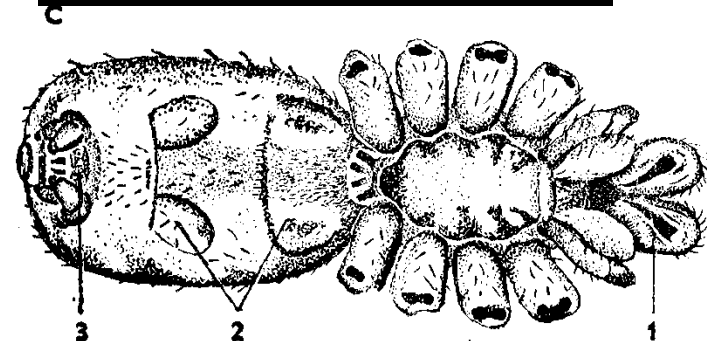
food: fluid, sucking aoesphagus and proventriculus – stomodeal part of tract



without prominent gnathocoxa

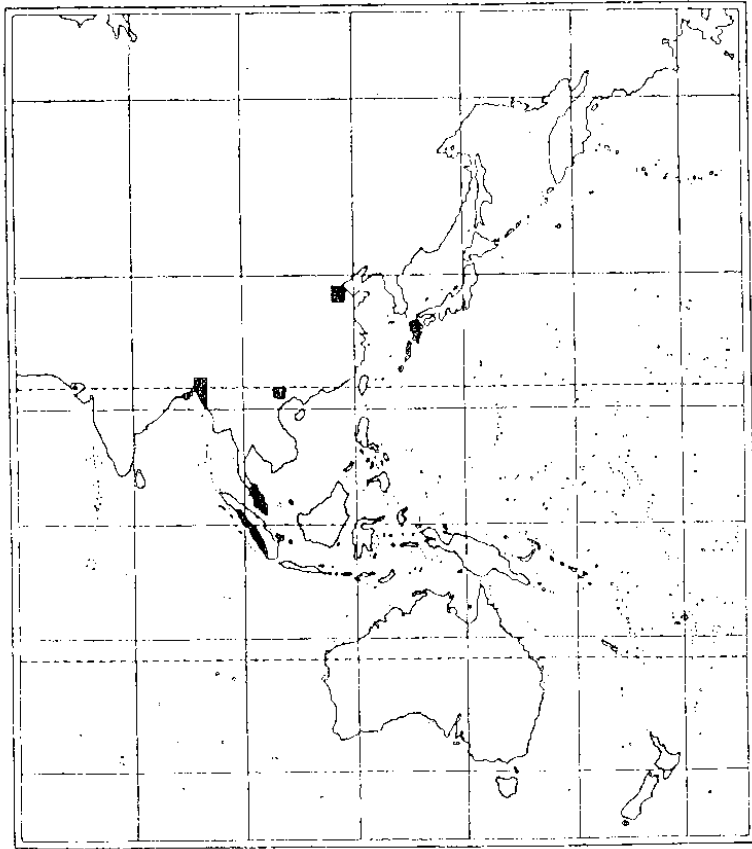


two pairs of book lungs

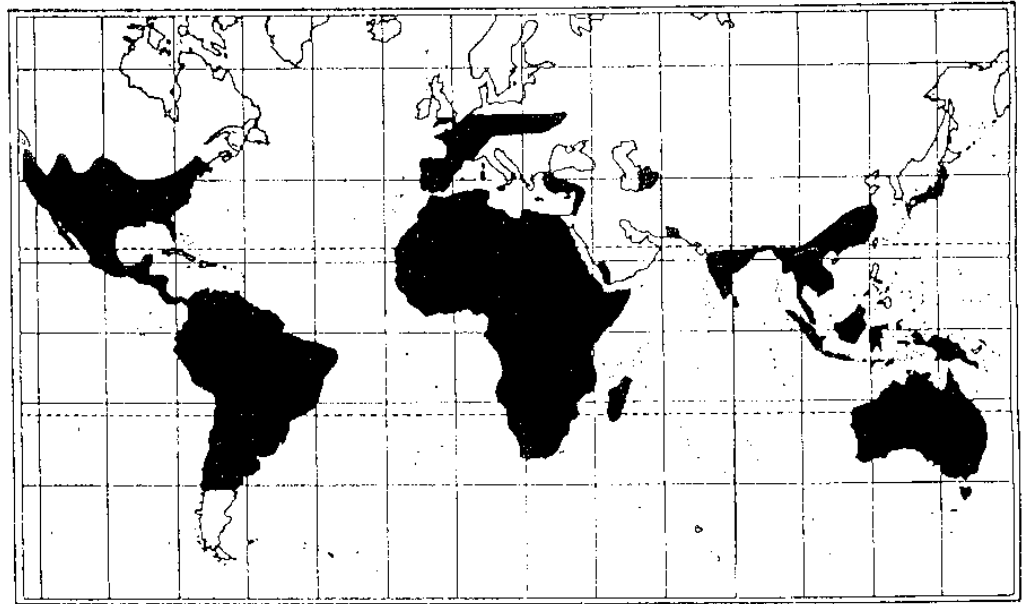


plagionath chelicerae

Distribution of *Mesothelae*



Distribution of *Mygalomorphae*



Ricinulei

Period: Carbon - recent

diversity: 58 species, 3 genera, 1 family

body: 3-10 mm

cuticle: without hyaline layer

prosoma: carapace, cucullus – grasping prey, sternum covered with coxae

opisthosoma: 9 segments, 3segmented pygidium (anal conus), tergites laterally divided

pedicel: present

chelicerae: 2 segments, chelate

pedipalps: 6 segments, chelate, fused coxae form camarostom

eyes: absent, only light sensitive spots

legs: 7 segments, 2. pair elongated – tactile organ, no trichobotria, 2-4 tr and ta subsegmented, ta with 2 claws

respiration: 1 pair of tracheae

food: fluid

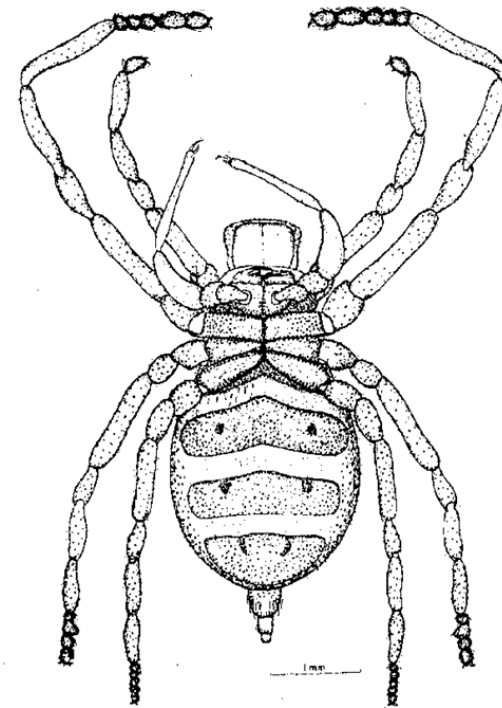
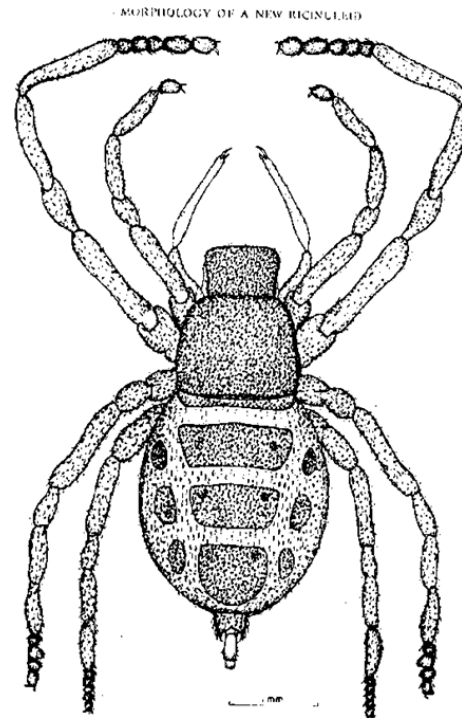
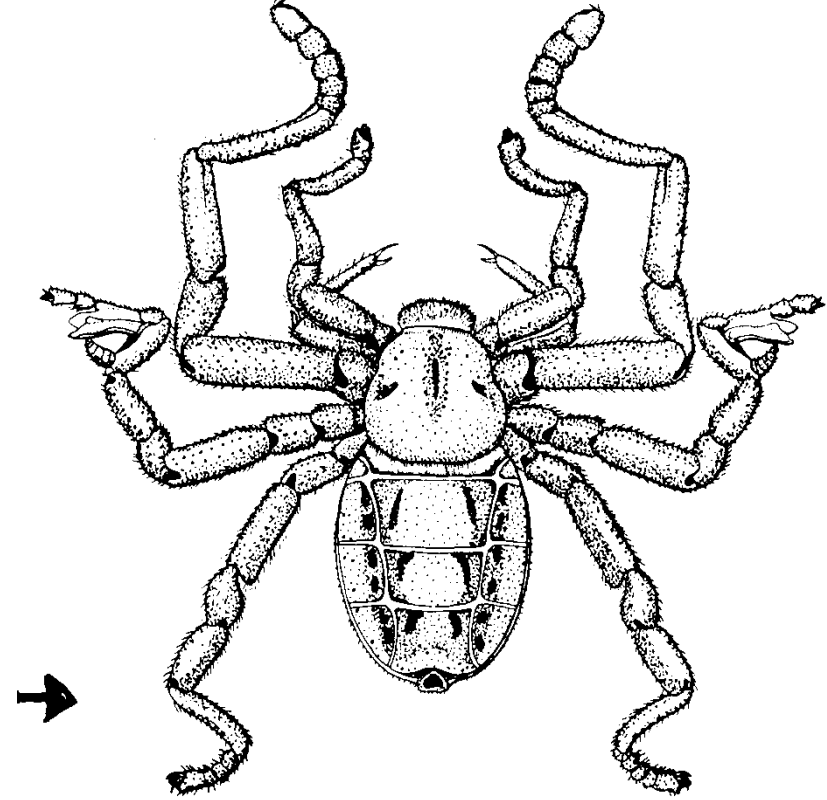
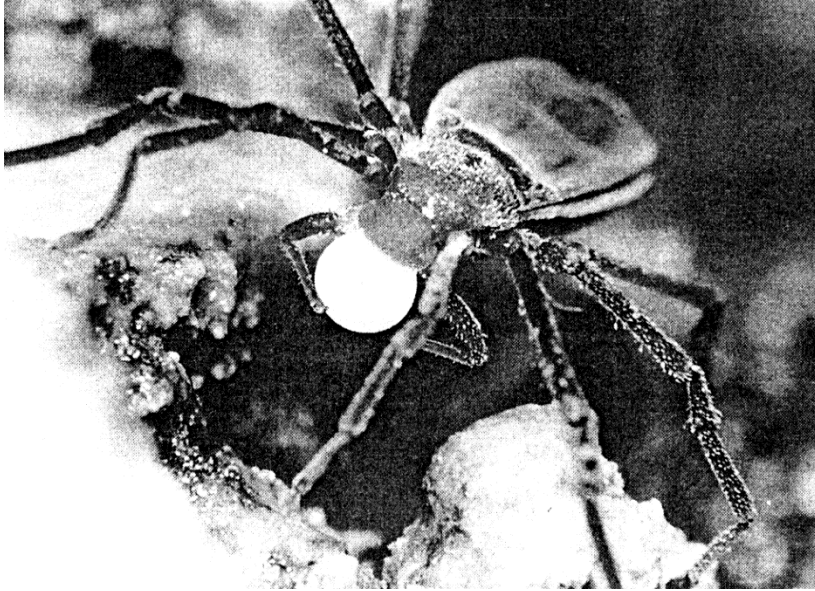


FIGURE 6. Ventral view of male into stomach of *Ricinoides lensis* sp. nov.

Reproduction

Males transport spermatophore with secondary copulatory organs on ta and mt of the 3. leg pair



- Female carries eggs under cucullus, juveniles on her back
- larva with 3 leg pairs
- three nymphal stages

Ricinulei – world distribution

tropic forests of Africa and America

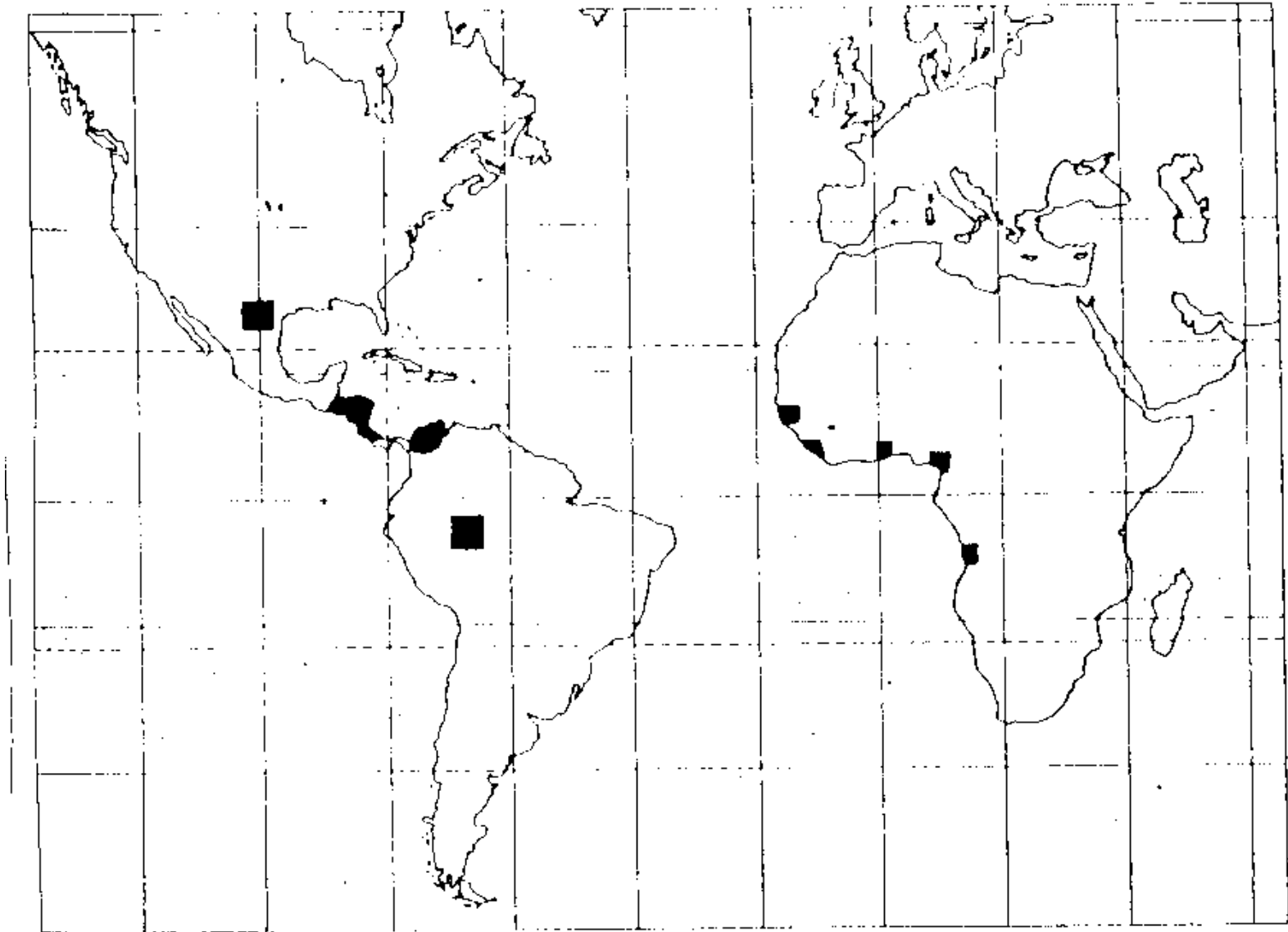


Fig. 10. World distribution of Ricinulei

Phalangiotarbida

period: Devonian-Permian

diversity: 26 species, 3 families

body: flat, 10-20 mm

prosoma: sternum 1-2-2 **opisthosoma:** 10 segments+anal

operculum, first 6 tergites short, hind ones fused?, sternites longitudinally divided into three plates, dorsal anal operculum

waist: wide

eyes: 3 pairs on median tubercle

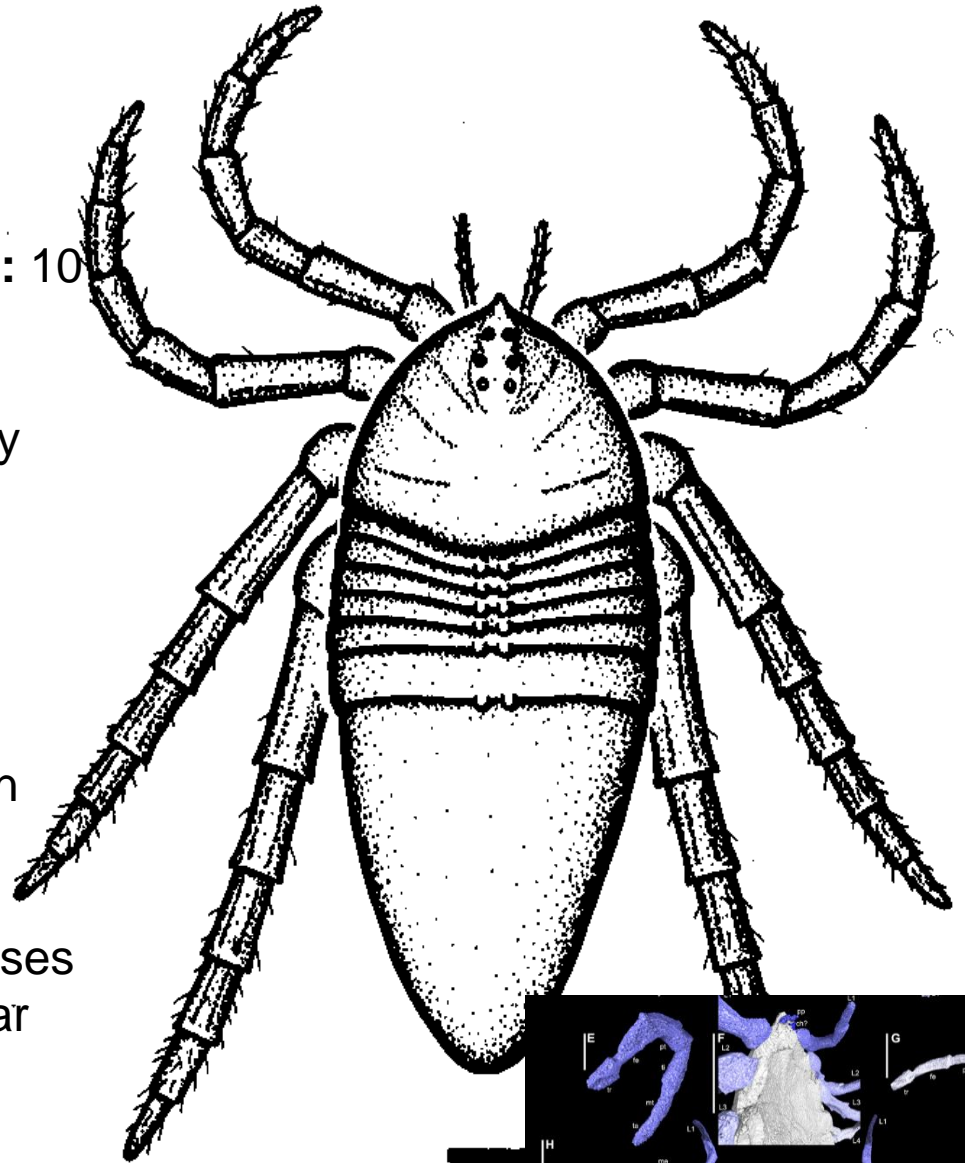
chelicerae: very small, 2segmented, subchelate?, directing forward, hidden in the space above cx I

pedipalps: pediform, very small

legs: coxae triangular, leg length increases from 1 to 4, article proportions are similar

respiration: at least 2 pairs of opisthosomal spiracles – tracheae?

ecology: predators, mimicry of lycophyte leaf?



Opiliones

period: Devonian-recent

diversity: 6 000 species (in Czechia 37), 500 genera, 25 families

distribution: whole world

body: 2-22 mm

cuticle: without hyaline layer

prosoma: karapace, pro-, meso-, metapeltidium, orificia of repugnatory glands above 2. cx., sternum absent, pair of large epistomal branches running backwards toward endosternite

opisthosoma: 9-10 articles, only superficial

waist: wide

eyes: pair of median on ocularium

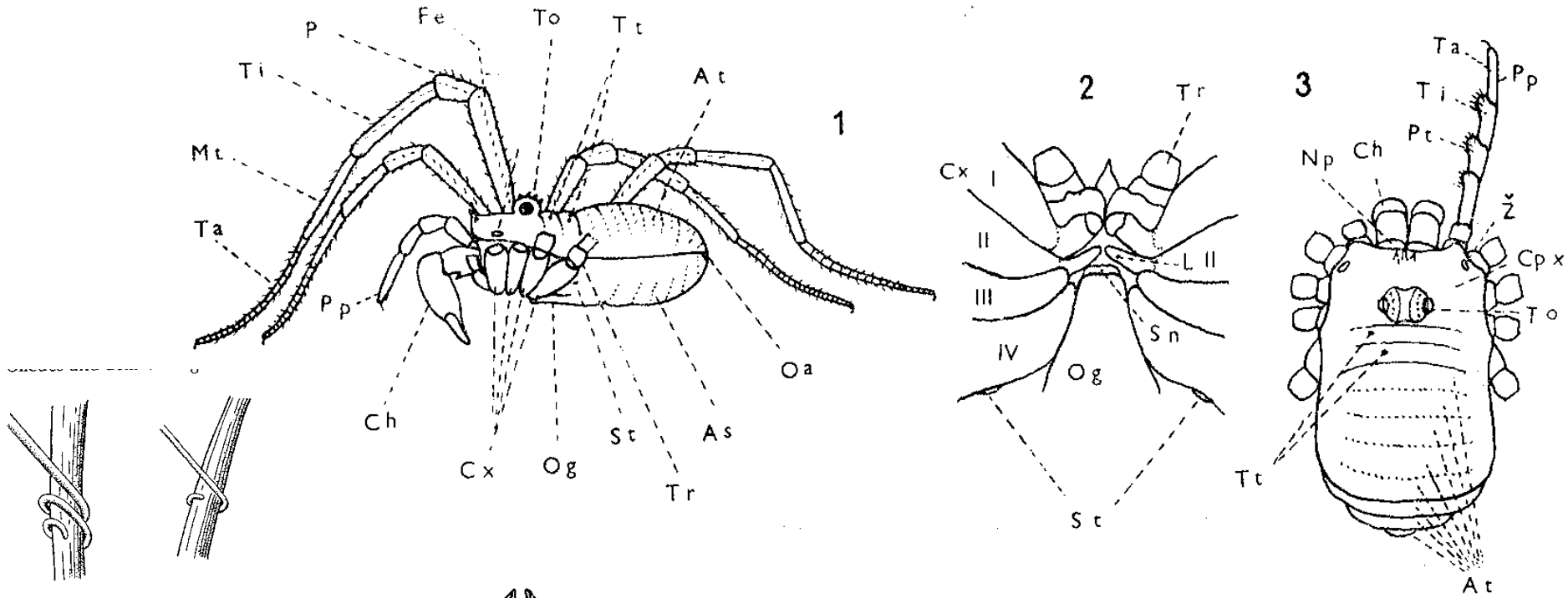
chelicerae: 3 segments, chelate

pedipalps: 6 segments, pedal, short, with or without claws, gnathocoxae

legs: 6-7 segments, tarsi subsegmented: up to 50-100, 1-2 claws, 1. two pairs with gnathocoxae, autotomy

respiration: openings of tracheae on 8. sternite

food: solid, stomotheca – space formed by coxapophyses of palps and 1. leg pair

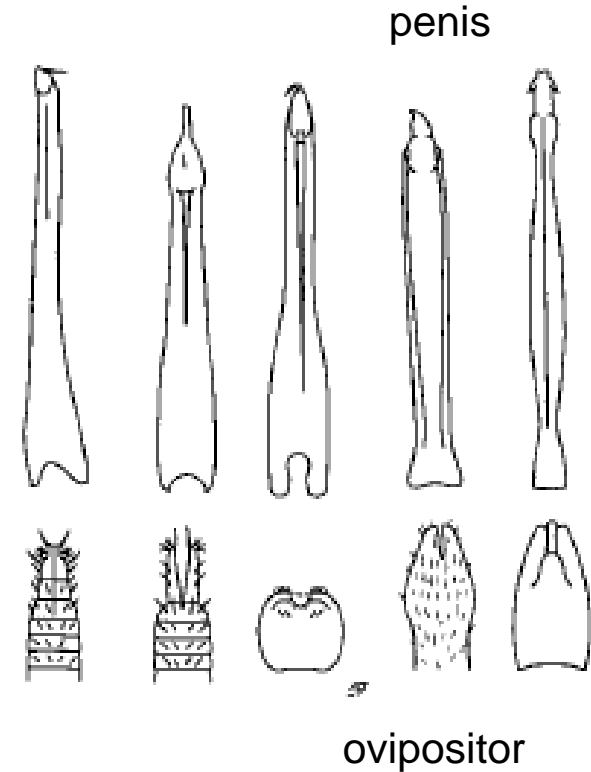


Reproduction

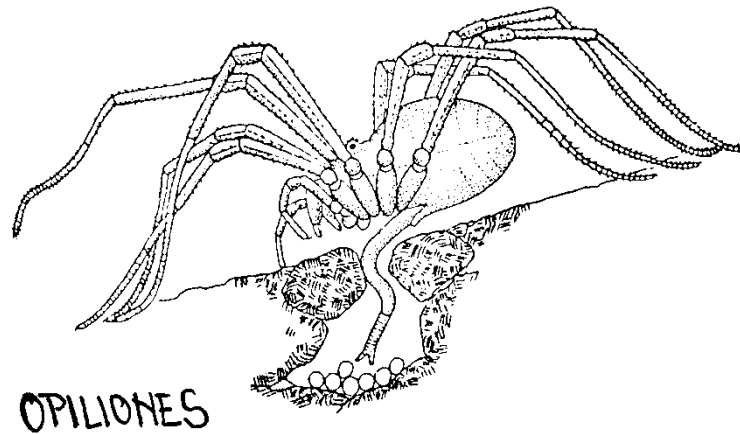
- sexual dimorphism



- penis or ovipositor (with receptacula seminis in the apical part) under operculum genitale, fast copulation without courtship



- eggs are laid to fissures



Opiliones

Cyphophthalmi

Phalangida

Laniatores

Palpatores

Dispnoi: Ischyropsalidae (Nemastomatidae (Trogulidae Dicranolasmatidae))

Eupnoi: Sclerosomatidae Phalangiidae

Cyphophthalmi

Repugnatoric glands on conic tubercle

Sironidae - *Siro carpaticus*

body: 1-6 mm

eyes: 2 or completely blind

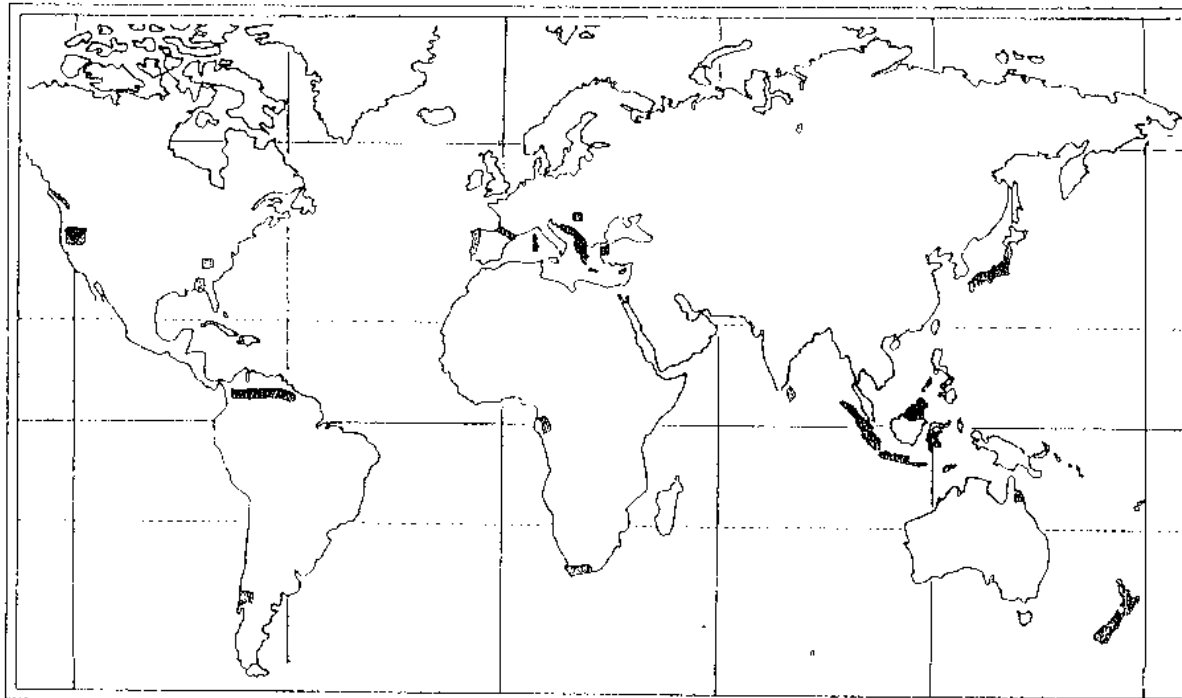
opisthosoma: 10 segments, operculum

genitale absent

legs: 7 segments, tarsi are not
secondarily articulated, ta 1.-2.
with one claw

ecology: under stones, in litter

reproduction: males with 3
anal and 1 gland on 4. ta



Phalangida: Laniatores

Claws on legs I-II different from those on legs III-IV (dual or bifurcated)



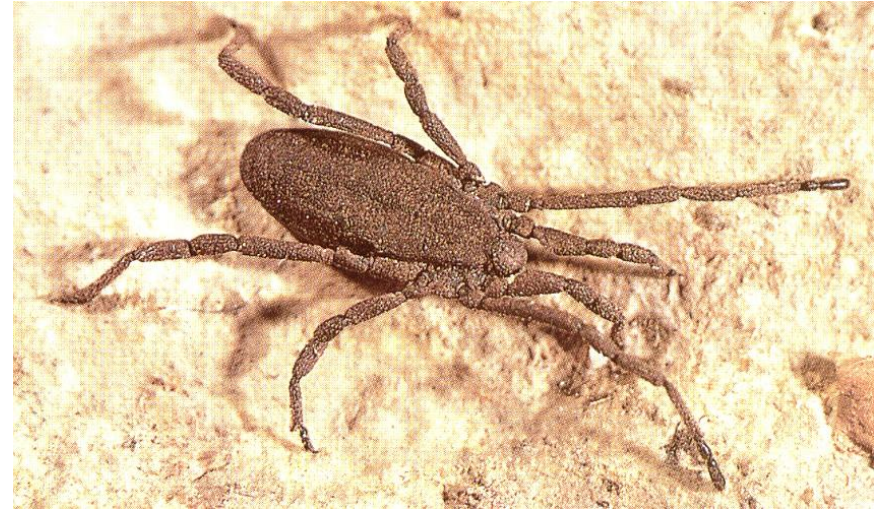
Phalangida: Palpatores

Dyspnoi

cheliceral fingers with small regular teeth

no additional stigma on ti

ovipositor unsegmented



Family Ischyropsalidae

Large chelicerae, longer than body

– specialised on snails

Family Nemastomatidae

Family Trogulidae

flat body with hood

eye tubercle absent

legs short, specialised on snails

Family Dicranolasmatidae

Phalangida: Palpatores

Eupnoi

tibia of adults with additional stigmata
ovipositor articulated



Mitopus morio



Family Sclerosomatidae

Astrobonus, Gias, Leiobunum, Nelima

Family Phalangiidae

Elongated gnathocoxa of the 2. leg pair

Palpigradi

Period: Neogene (Pliocene) - recent

diversity: 82 species, 6 genera, 2 families

body: 3 mm

cuticle: hyaline layer absent

prosoma: mesopeltidium small,

4-5 sternites: largest between palps

and 1. leg pair, rostrum

opisthosoma: 11 segments,

metasoma: 3 segments, flagellum

14-15 segments (telson)

waist: constricted

eyes: absent

chelicerae: 3 segments, chelate

pedipalps: 6 segments, walking, with claws, gnathocoxae absent

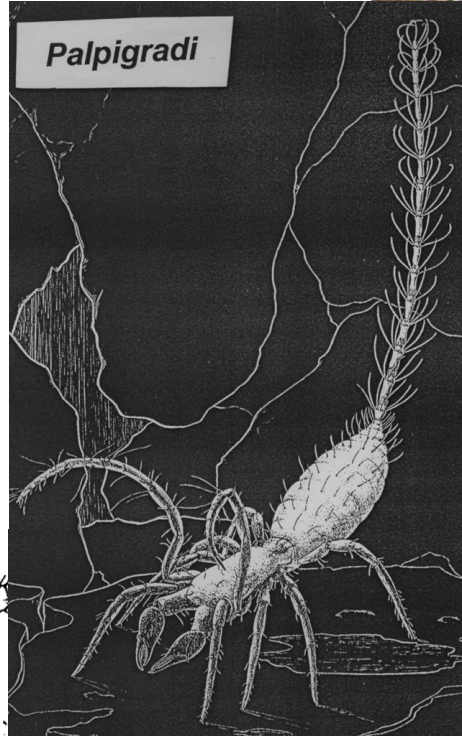
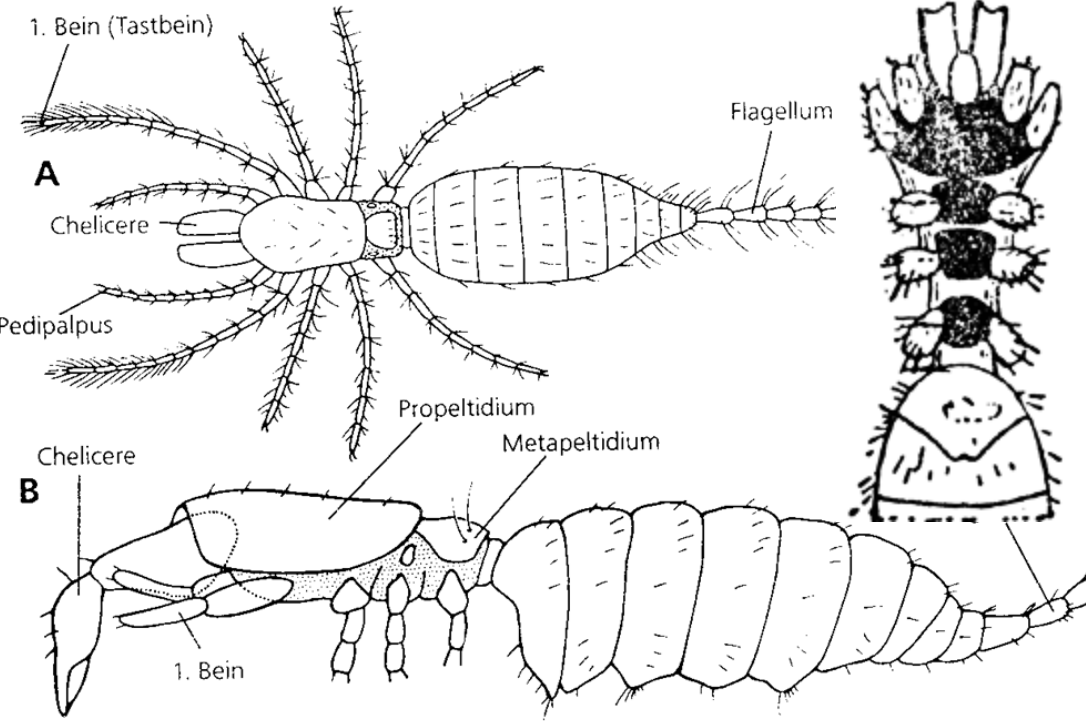
legs: 1. pair – tactile organ, paired claws, subsegmentation, gnathocoxae absent

respiration: no organs

reproduction: in some species

parthenogenesis

food: fluid



Solifugae

period: Carboniferous - recent

diversity: 1100 species, 141 genera, 12 families

body: 8-80 mm; **cuticle:** without hyaline layer

prosoma: pro-, meso-, metapeltidium, rostrisoma – projection on palpal coxae in front of mouth, sternum covered by coxae

opisthosoma: 11 segments

pedicel: absent; **eyes:** 2-6 median eyes

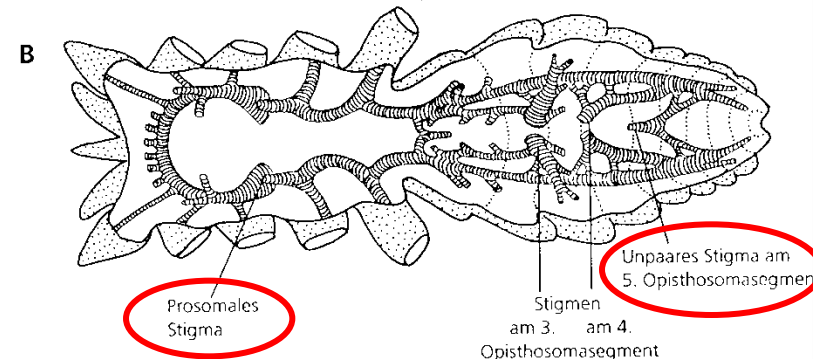
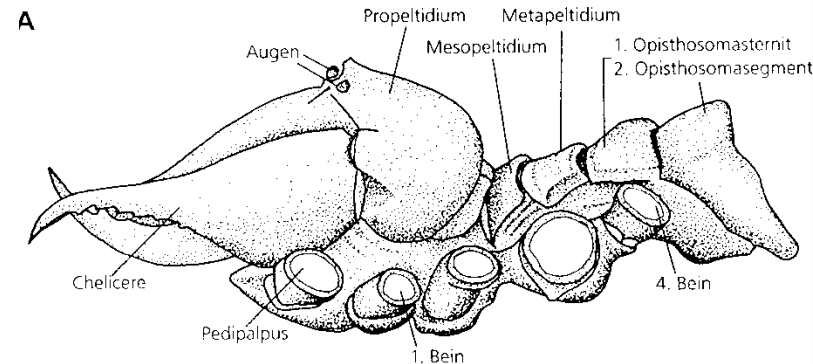
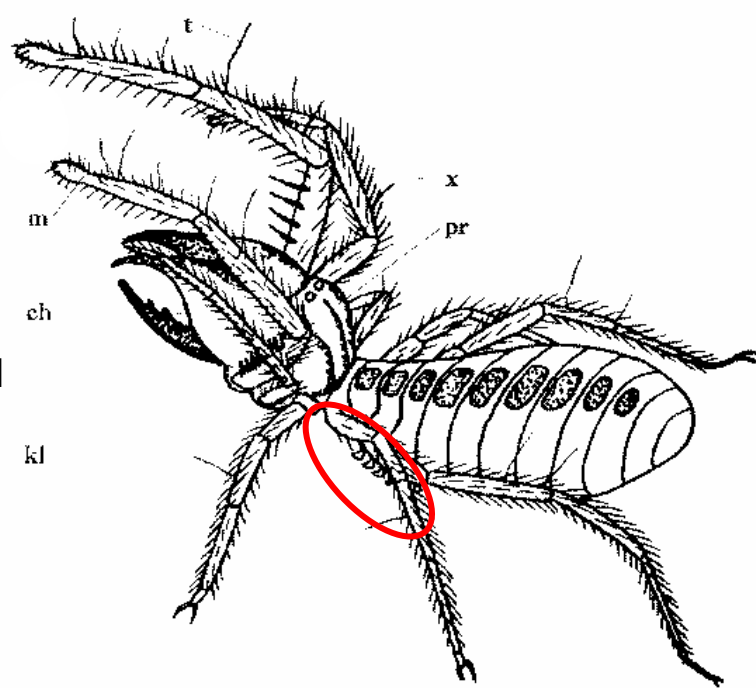
chelicerae: 2 segments, chelate

pedipalps: 6 segments, adhesive organ

legs: 7 segments, elongated patellae, 1. leg pair - tactile organ, on tr and cx of the 4. pair 3-5 malleoli -

chemoreceptors, tr 2-4 subsegmented

respiration: 3-5 pairs of tracheae; **food:** fluid

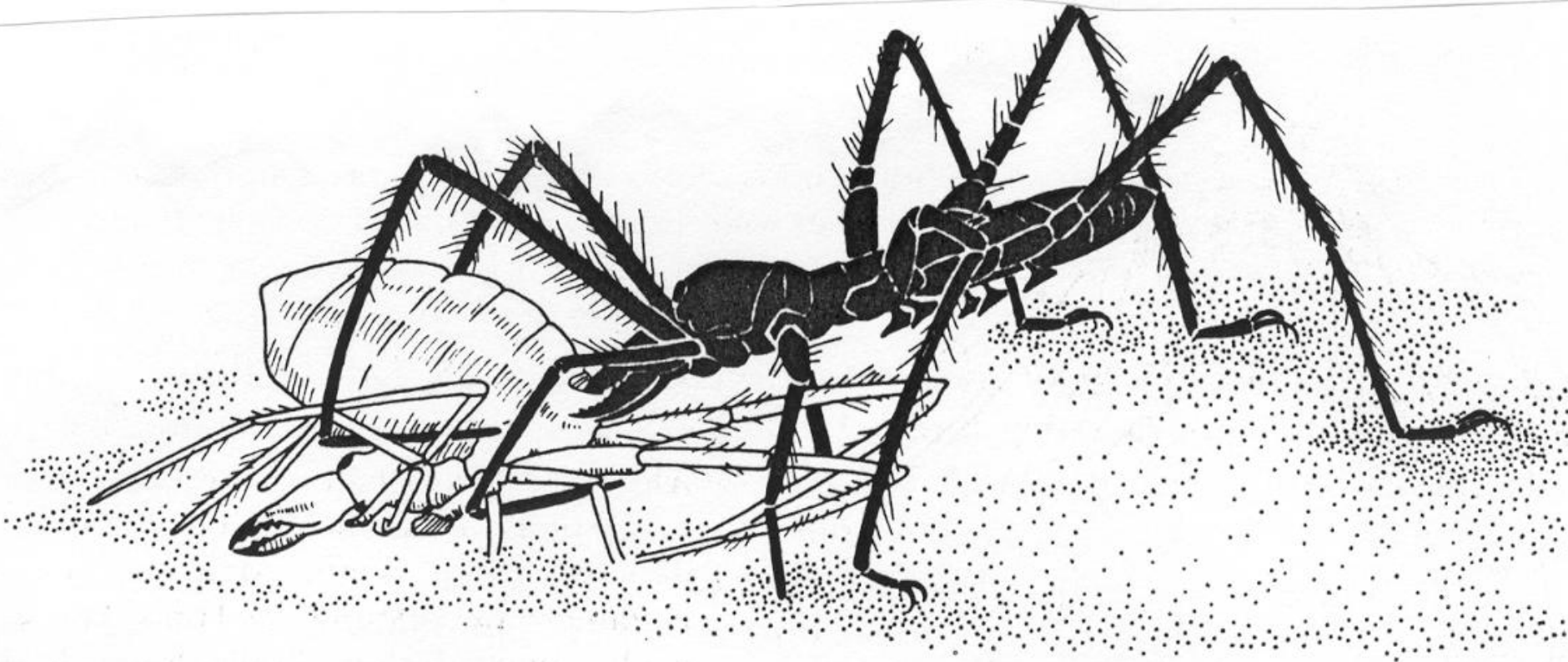
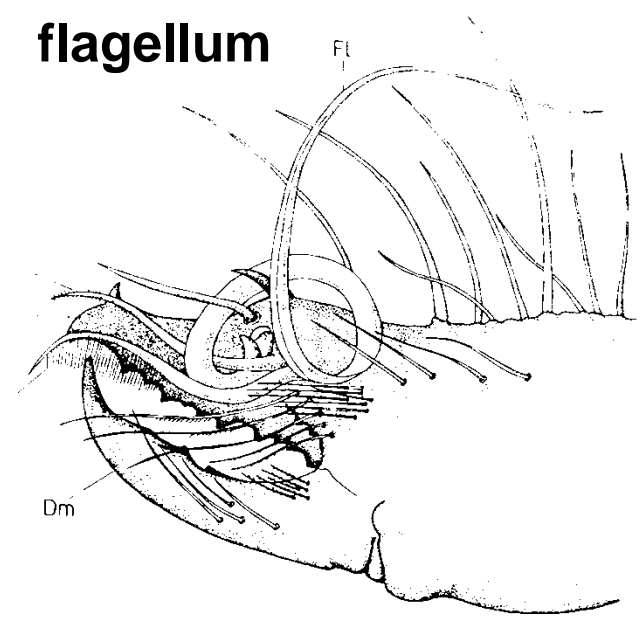


Othoes saharae

Reproduction

- During courtship the male bites the female
- Male uses chelicerae for transport of spermatophore (or directly from gonopore to gonopore)
- Male chelicerae with flagellum
- postembrya not able to walk, guarded in the nest by mother

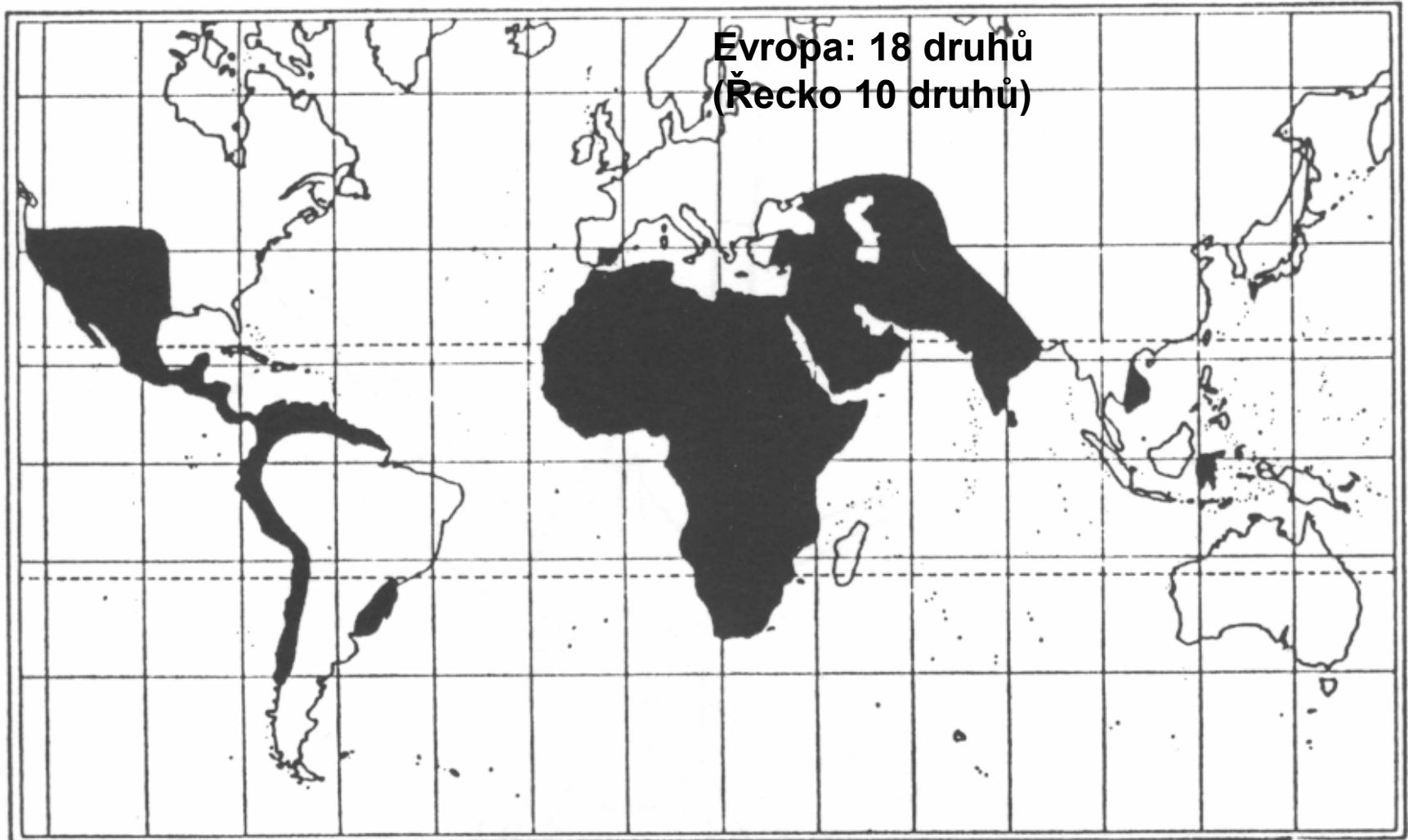
flagellum



***Solifugae* – world distribution**

arid parts of tropics and subtropics (excluding Australia)

Europe: 18 species (Greece 10 species)



Acari

diversity: so far known over 40 000 species, one tenth of real diversity?

body: 0.1-30 mm

cuticle: without hyaline layer

waist: wide

eyes: lateral or absent

chelicerae: originally chelate, 2-3 segments

pedipalps: 6 segments, koxae fused

Tagmata: gnathosoma, idiosoma

legs: 6 (2-7) segments

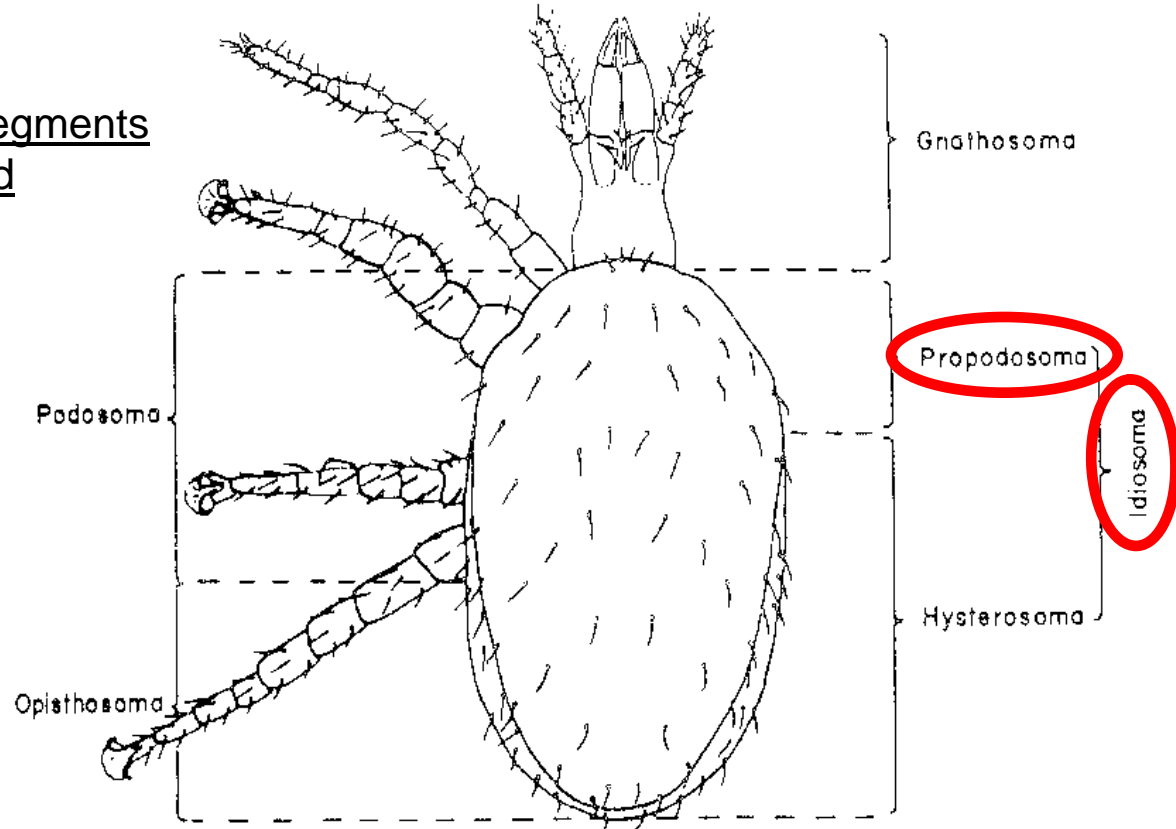
respiration: tracheae or no organs

food: solid or fluid

transfer of sperm: spermatophore, 3. leg pair, chelicerae, penis

ovipositor

larva with 3 pairs of legs



Parasitiformes

(Anactinotrichida)

Opilioacarida (=Notostigmata)

Holothyrida (=Tetrastigmata)

Ixodida (=Metastigmata)

Gamasida (=Mesostigmata)

Cretaceous - recent

leg coxae loose (separate segments)

idiosoma undivided

female gonopore transversal fissure

originally 18 segments

stigmas on the hind part of body

Setae without optically active chitin

Acariformes

(Actinotrichida)

Actinedida (=Prostigmata)

Oribatida (=Cryptostigmata)

Acaridida (=Astigmata)

Devonian - recent

Coxae fused with ventral body wall

idiosoma transversally divided to propodosoma and histerosoma (between 2. and 3. leg pair)

female gonopore longitudinal fissure

originally 16 segments

stigmata are not on the hind part of body

Setae with optically active chitin – birefringend – reflex polarised light

Opilioacariformes

(=*Opilioacarida*, *Notostigmata*)

diversity: 24 species, 9 genera, 1 family

body: 1-2.5 mm, apparent border between pro- and opisthosoma

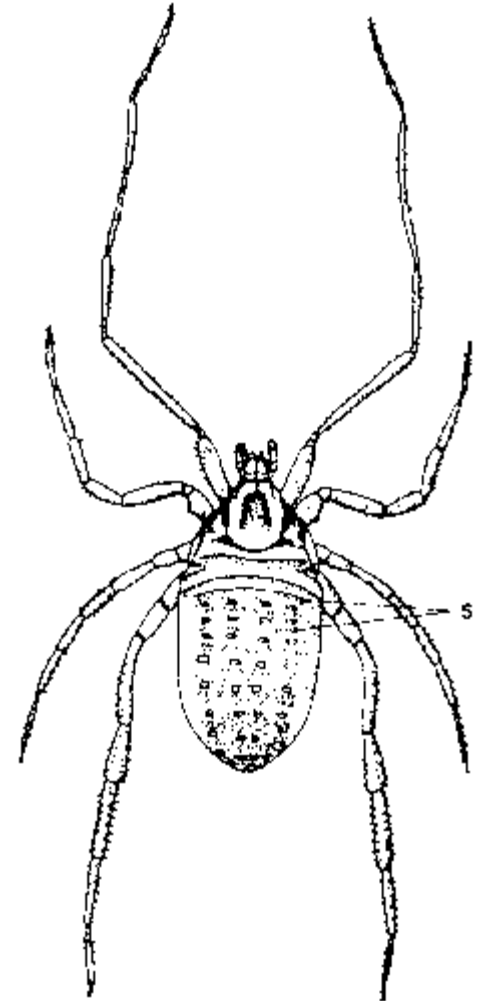
opisthosoma: grooves – borders of segments, numerous lyrifissures on tergites – slit sensillae

eyes: 2-3 (6) pairs

chelicerae: 3 segments

respiration: tergites with 4 pairs of stigmata

reproduction: gonopore is not covered



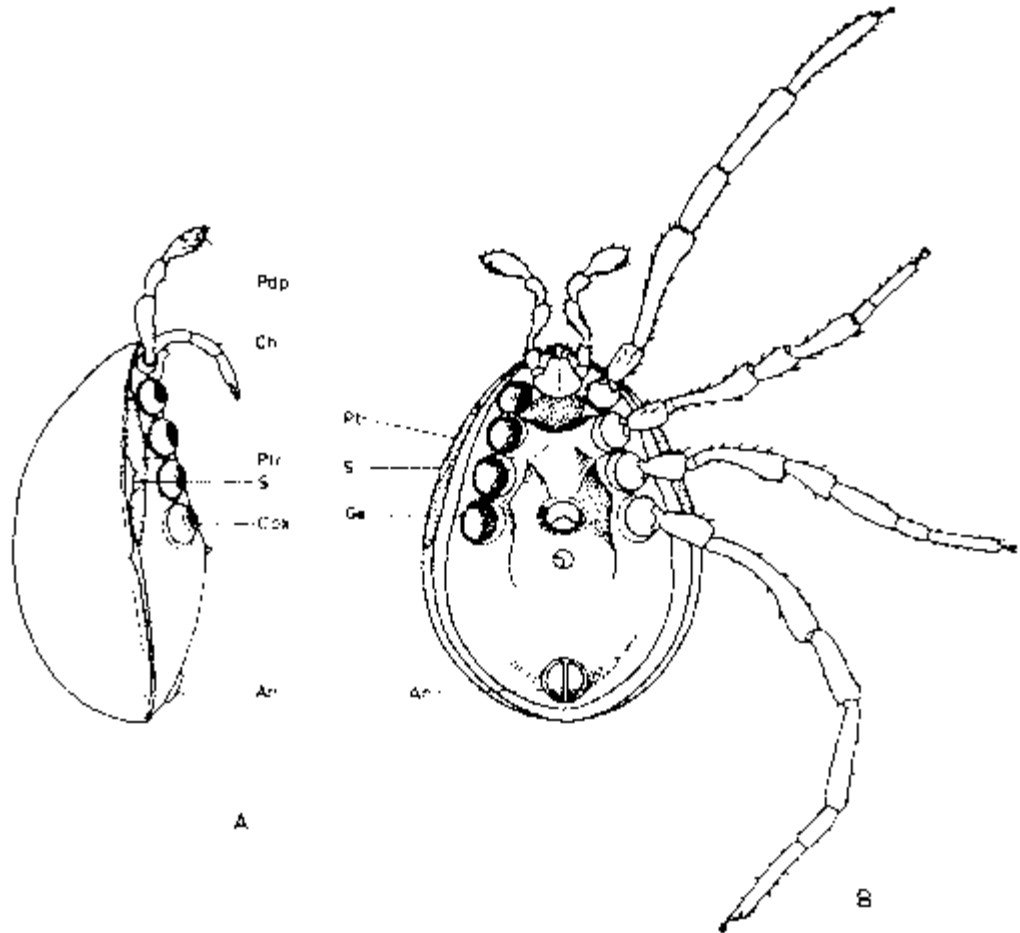
Holothyrida (=Tetrastigmata)

diversity: 3 families, 5 genera, 30 species

body: 2-7 mm, sclerotised
eyes: often absent

respiration: 1 (2) pair of stigmata laterally from cx 1.-3.

reproduction: gonopore covered with plates



Ixodida (=Metastigmata)

diversity: 3 families, 22 genera, 860 species

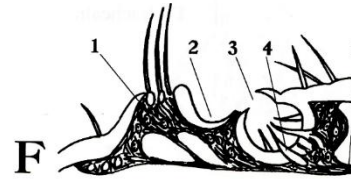
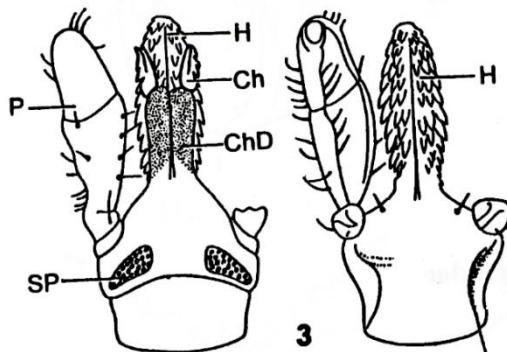
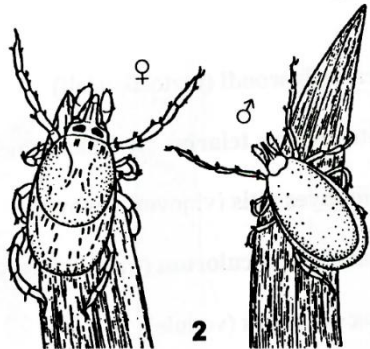
circulatory system: present

chelicerae: hypostome

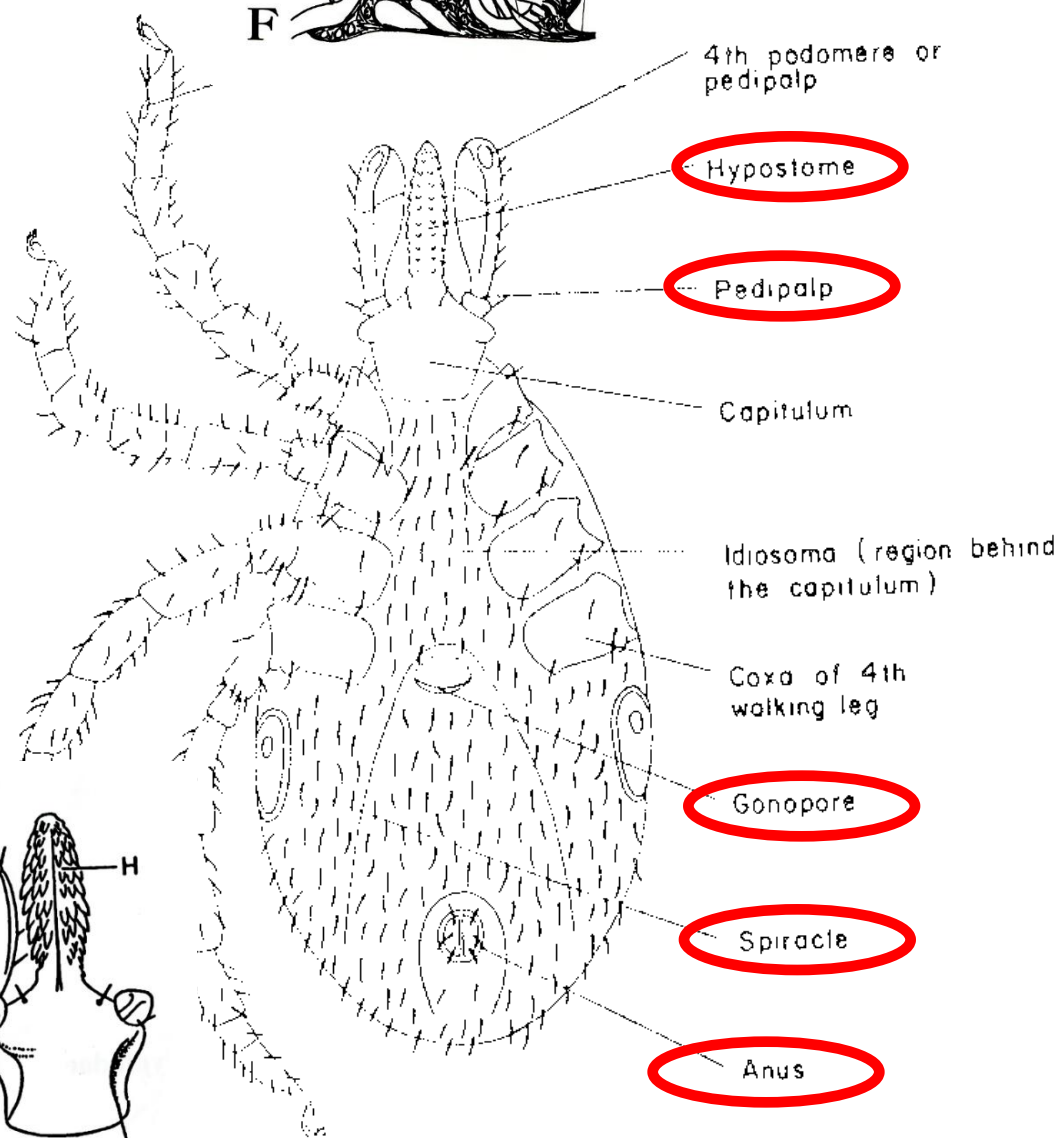
pedipalps: 3 segments

legs: ta of the 1. pair with Haller's organ – chemoreceptor (CO₂), temperature and humidity
cx separated

respiration: stigmata on special plates in front or behind 4. leg pair



Haller's organ on tarsus of 1st leg



Hypostome

Pedipalp

Gonopore

Spiracle

Anus

Gamasida (=Mesostigmata)

diversity: 70 families, 10 thousands species

circulatory system: present

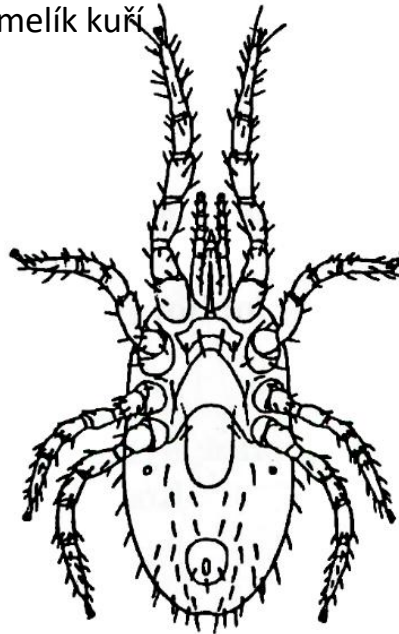
prosoma: tritosternum – branched appendage between cx I

chelicerae: retractible

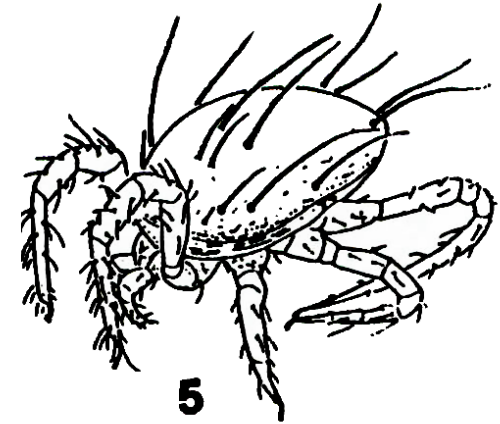
respiration: 1 pair of stigmata laterally from cx II-IV

reproduction: pedipalps and thick 2. leg pair – holding female during copulation

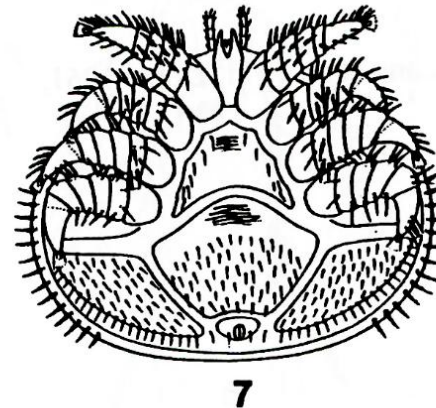
Dermanyssus gallinae –
čmelík kuří



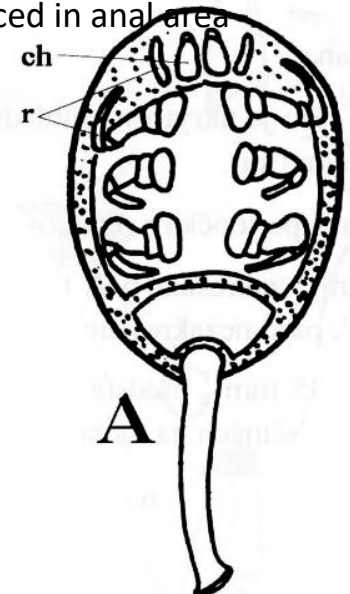
Phytoseiulus persimilis –
predator of Tetranychus telarius



Varroa jacobsoni – kleštík včelí



Uropoda – foresy of deutonymphae, the fiber is produced in anal area



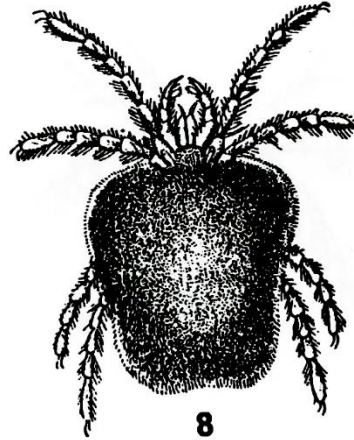
Actinedida (=Prostigmata, Trombidiformes)

diversity: 120 families, 7 thousand species

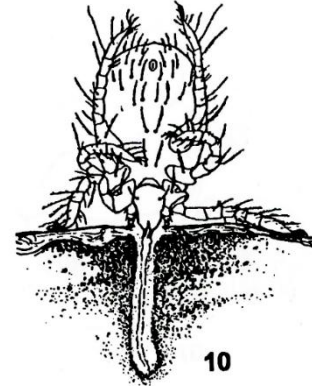
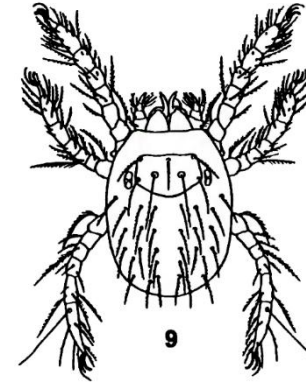
circulatory system: present

respiration: stigmata close to bases of chelicerae or pedipalps

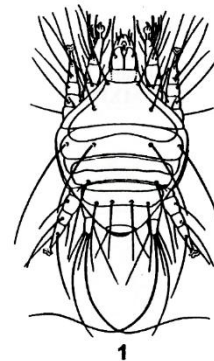
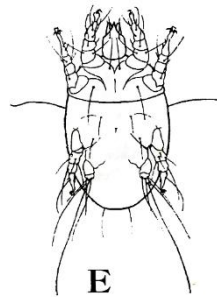
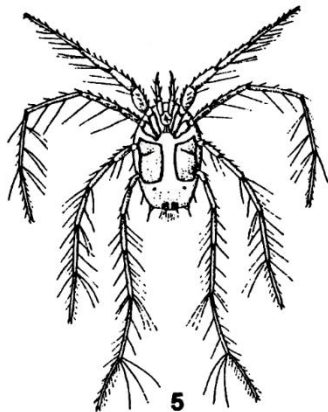
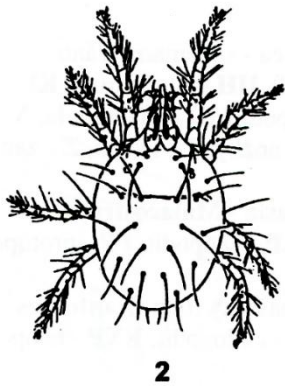
Trombidium holosericeum – sametka rudá



Neotrombicula autumnalis – sametka zarděnková



Tetranychus telarius – sviluška chmelová *Atax crassipes* – vodule *Acarapis woodi* – roztočik včelí



Eriophyes vitis – vlnovník révový *Demodex folliculorum* – trdník lidský



Oribatida **(=*Cryptostigmata*)**

diversity: 3 families, 5 genera, 30 species

opisthosoma: paired anal plate

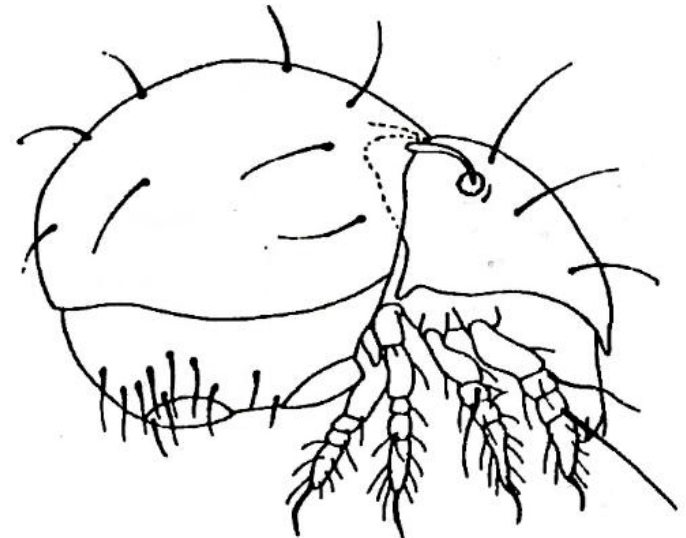
legs: coxae fused with ventral plate

respiration: secondarily evolved tracheae, stigmata are not apparent

reproduction: paired genital plate



Mesoplophora



Sarcoptiformes **(=*Acaridida*, *Astigmata*)**

diversity: over 200 families

tagmatisation: idiosoma divided by fissure between 2. and 3. leg pair to propodosoma and histerosoma

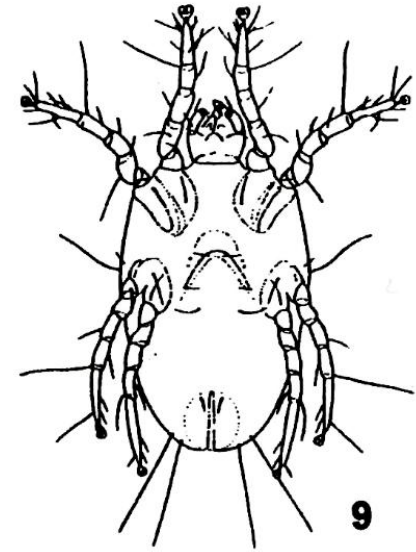
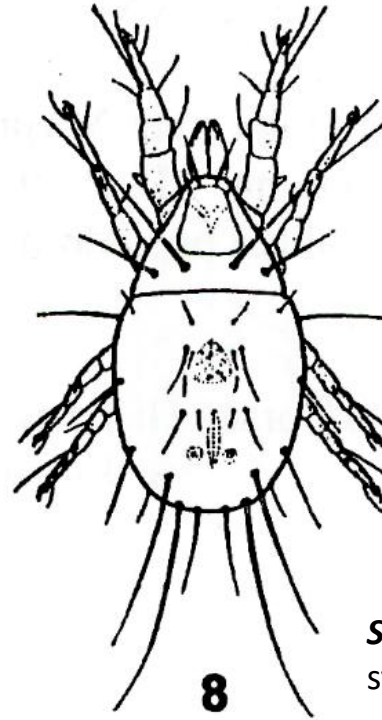
respiration: tracheae absent

reproduction: penis – true copulation

Ingroup of oribatida

Acarus siro –
sladkokaz moučný

Dermatophagoides pteronyssinus –
prachovka prachová – alergie



Sarcoptes scabiei – zákožka
svrabová

