Magnoliophyta - Angiosperms

Survey of Angiosperms — using APG system

‘Basal angiosperms’

- ANA (‘basal families’)
- magnoliid complex
- monocots

Eudicots or tricolpates (3 pored pollen)

- ranunculids
- caryophylllids
- rosids
- asterids
We will begin our survey of angiosperms by examining the ‘basal angiosperms’ - those groups that are now shown to be the first diverging – paraphyletic!

These include all those shown here except the **eudicots** which are the bulk of dicots.

We will look at the **monocots** - a ‘basal angiosperm group’ - at the end of the semester.
What are basal angiosperms?

(1) Charles Bessey’s order Ranales with most of the dicot basal angiosperms and (2) monocots

_Magnolia_ = primitive
What are basal angiosperms?

Exhibit a suite of primitive character states

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*Drimys* Winteraceae
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Leaf-like follicles
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6. Pollen grains single pored, apertured, furrowed; not triaperturate, tricolpate
‘ANA’ Basal Angiosperms

The ‘ANA’ group forms a basal grade (paraphyletic)

Name derived from initials of members
‘ANA’ Basal Angiosperms

*Amborellaceae (order Amborellales)

Amborella trichopoda — only 1 species from New Caledonia

* = know this family or group!
‘ANA’ Basal Angiosperms

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‘ANA’ Basal Angiosperms

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- $P \, 5-8 \quad A \, \infty \quad G \, 0$ \quad male
- $P \, 5-8 \quad A \, 0 \quad G \, 5-6$ \quad female
- perianth spiralled – tepals
- laminar stamens
- apocarpic, not sealed
- fruits 1 seeded, drupe-like
Question: would the “first angiosperm” have had features like *Amborella*?
‘ANA’ Basal Angiosperms

Answer: not necessarily

Amborella features could be derived later (over last 100my+)

Read required paper: Sauquet et al. 2017
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The ancestral flower of angiosperms and its early diversification.
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Austrobaileyaceae: 1 species of tropical Australian evergreen liana

- spiralled tepals; laminar stamens;
- fly pollinated; apocarpic - berries

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Illiciaceae

- aromatic shrubs/vines, used in anise liquers
- Asian tropics and subtropics & disjunct in Eastern North America

[Maps of Illicium and Schisandra + Kadsura]
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Illiciaceae

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- spiralled tepals, not sealed carpels, 1 seeded follicles

Schisandra

Japanese anise
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Trimeniaceae: *Trimenia* with 5 spp. (Australasian trees, shrubs, vines)

- spiralled tepals; filamentous stamens; berry with one ovule
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Biogeographical distributions of the A A members of ANA support old notion that tropical Australasia was center of origin of extant angiosperms

Liberty Hyde Bailey
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Nymphaeales: 2nd lineage after Amborella to diverge

- water lilies and relatives
- worldwide distribution except arid regions
- little biogeographic structure

Distribution of Nymphaeaceae - water lilies
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*Nymphaeaceae – water lilies

- floating or submersed leaves
- air cavities in tissue
- mucilaginous coverings
- lack of vessels

8 genera with specialized ecological aquatic niche
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*Nymphaeaceae – water lilies

*Nuphar variegatum - yellow waterlily
= basal angiosperm

*Nymphoides peltata - water gentian
= asterid dicot

Obvious ecological convergence in floating aquatics is the rule!
Check out live aquatic plant display in Birge lobby.
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*Nymphaeaceae – water lilies

Order Nymphaeales once included all these 3 genera, all are unrelated!

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Nuphar & = \text{ANA} \\
Nelumbo & = \text{eudicot} \\
Ceratophyllum & = \text{basal angiosperm}
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*Nymphaeaceae – water lilies

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- showy flowers with strong scent attracting animals
- many parts at each whorl
- laminar stamens

*Nymphaea odorata - water lily
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*Nymphaeaceae – water lilies

- showy flowers with strong scent attracting animals
- many parts at each whorl
- laminar stamens
- superior, syncarpic pistil!
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*Nymphaeaceae – water lilies

*Nuphar variegata - yellow pond lily

• petaloid sepals, petals reduced
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Amazonian *Victoria* with peltate leaves
‘ANA’ Basal Angiosperms

Cabombaceae - 2 genera often placed in Nymphaeaceae

*Brasenia shreberi* - water shield

- small clonal floating aquatic
- peltate leaves
- wind pollinated
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Cabombaceae - 2 genera often placed in Nymphaeaceae

_Cabomba_ - fanwort

- submersed and floating leaved
- dimorphic leaves
- insect pollinated
Fig. 4. Floral evolution in water lilies. The pleiomeros flowers of water lilies such as *Nymphaea* are often cited as examples of the unspecialized (primitive) angiosperm floral condition. However, a phylogenetic evaluation of floral morphology in the Nymphaeales indicates several instances of secondary increase. Two highly specialized water lily genera (*Nymphaea, Victoria*) have low sepal number but the highest number of petals, stamens and carpels in the order. Flowers of *Euryale* show a similar pattern but they are adapted for self-pollination. Phylogenetic sequence follows Fig. 2.
Magnoliid Basal Angiosperms

Remainder of basal angiosperms (except monocots & hornwort)

• = Magnoliids (monophyletic)
Magnoliid Basal Angiosperms

Remainder of basal angiosperms (except monocots & hornwort)

- tropical trees or paleoherbs (cordate leaves)
- aromatic - ethereal oils ("ranalian" smell)
- beetle or fly pollination common
Magnoliid Basal Angiosperms

*Magnoliaceae (Magnoliales)

- tropical or warm temperate trees or shrubs with large, pinnate netted, stipulate leaves
- flowers large and solitary

Magnolia grandiflora
Magnoliid Basal Angiosperms

*Magnoliaceae (Magnoliales)

- **perianth =** tepals spirally arranged
- **androecium of laminar stamens**
- **gynoecium of many separate pistils or carpels**
Magnoliid Basal Angiosperms

*Magnoliaceae (Magnoliales)

- fruits of one flower = ‘cone’ or ‘aggregate’ of follicles
- dehiscent along one suture, derived from one carpel (leaf)

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*Magnoliaceae (Magnoliales)

*Liriodendron* - tulip tree, yellow poplar - *samara* (winged) fruits
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*Annonaceae (Magnoliales) - custard apples

- large, woody pantropical family
- perianth in 3 sets of three tepals

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- perianth in 3 sets of three tepals
- fruits aromatic, aggregates of one carpeled berries

[Image of Annona fruit and flowers]

Annona

anon, cherimoya, custard-apple

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*Annonaceae (Magnoliales) - custard apples

- *Asimina triloba*: paw-paw
- native to eastern North America
- flowers fly pollinated; fruits banana-like

Ohio paw-paw fair
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Myristicaceae (Magnoliales) - nutmeg

- *Myristica fragrans* - nutmeg, mace
  - mace from aril
  - nutmeg from seed
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Lauraceae (Laurales) - cinnamon, laurel

- aromatic trees or shrubs
- 3 merous flowers
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Lauraceae (Laurales) - cinnamon, laurel

- aromatic trees or shrubs
- 3 merous flowers
- fruit 1 seeded berry or drupe

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*Persea americana*  
Lauraceae  
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Piperaceae (Piperales) - pepper, pepperomia

- herbs, vines, shrubs, epiphytes, cordate leaves, bi- or unisexual

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*Aristolochiaceae (Piperales) - birthwort, wild ginger

- climbing or rhizomatous herbs, cordate leaves
- aromatic, medicinal compounds [“well born” family]

*Aristolochia clematitis*
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*Aristolochiaceae (Piperales) - birthwort, wild ginger

- calyx corollloid
- petals absent
- fly pollination
- inferior, syncarpic

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A. lindneria

hypanthium

A. grandiflora

A. hirta
Magnoliid Basal Angiosperms

*Aristolochiaceae (Piperales) - birthwort, wild ginger

- *Asarum canadensis* - wild ginger
  - creeping rhizome, paired leaves, flowers basal
  - rhizome makes candied ginger
  - North American Indians used for contraceptive
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*Aristolochiaceae (Piperales) - birthwort, wild ginger

- 3 petals reduced to scales
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* Aristolochiaceae (Piperales) - birthwort, wild ginger

- 3 petals reduced to scales
- seeds with arils, dispersed by ants

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