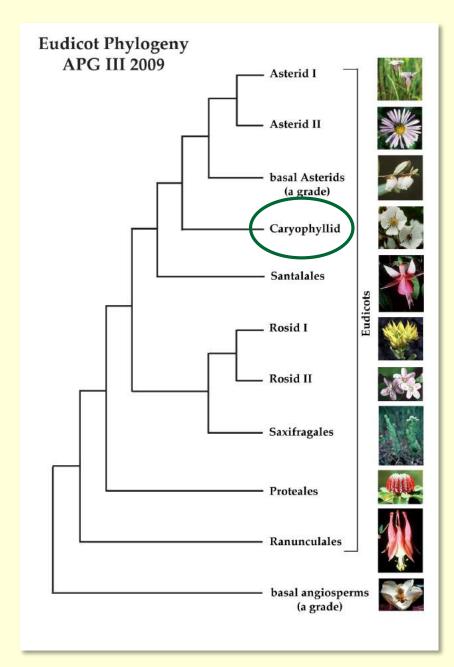


... carnations, cacti, chenopods ...

[Tues lab – you will finish mayapples, poppies, lotus lily, sycamores in lab]

#### Succulents & Carnivores & Weeds



The caryophyllid group is a strange mixture of plants including cacti, carnations, and some carnivorous families.

Specialists of deserts, salt environments, nutrient poor sites, and weedy areas – often with interesting physiological adaptations.



Huge family, widespread but characteristic of temperate and warm temperate regions of the Northern Hemisphere.

In Wisconsin we have 18 genera and 63 species

Caryophyllaceae includes the pinks, catchflies, and carnations of garden fame





Many of the species are introduced (either by Native Americans or

Europeans or later)

• either **naturalized** — well-established, often widespread plant that is not originally in our flora

 or adventive – only casually established, not persistent.

Gypsophila paniculata
Baby' s-breath invasive on
Lake Michigan dunes



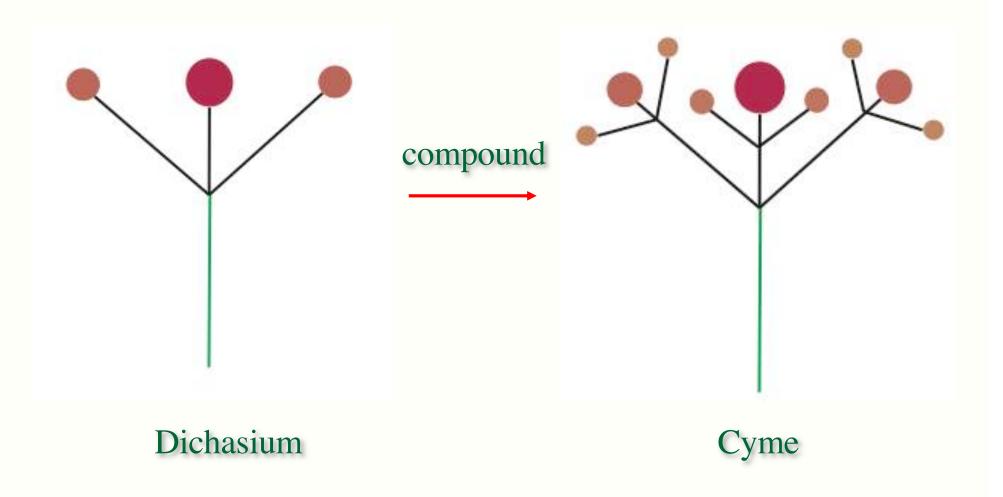
- Herbs, simple, opposite, entire leaves; nodes usually swollen
- Inflorescence a **dichasium** determinate inflorescence or **cyme** (compound dichasium)





Note 3 way split, middle branch is oldest flower

The dichasium inflorescence is terminated (i.e., determinate) by the oldest flower and flanked by two lateral younger flowers.





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- Some fused sepals, others not
- Petals often differentiate into a limb and claw, the apex is often notched

Free central placentation = free standing placental column in single locular pistil on which ovules are attached, or axile, or both at same time!

Capsule opens by valves or teeth







Minuartia michauxii (= Arenaria stricta) sand rockwort







Cerastium mouse-ear chickweed 5- styles!







Stellaria longifolia long leaved stitchwort

3 styles!

Stellaria meadia common stitchwort



Silene latifolia - white campion





Silene vulgaris - bladder campion with vespid wasp pollinator

Silene – also called "catch-fly"



Saponaria officinalis - bouncing bet, soapwort



(1) Male phase & (2) female phase

Dichogamy
Why does it change color?

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Interaction between floral color change and gender transition in the protandrous weed *Saponaria officinalis* 

SHABNAM G. JABBARI, SANDRA L. DAVIS , EMILY J. CARTER

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Saponaria officinalis - bouncing bet, soapwort



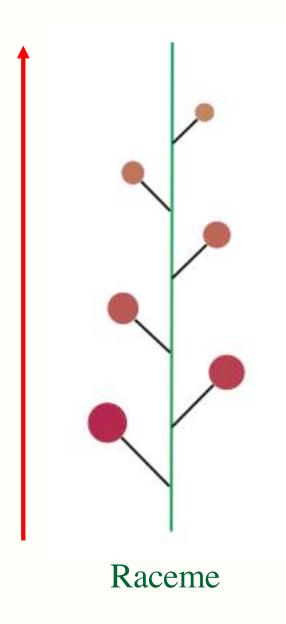
Family that is chiefly tropical and subtropical in distribution

In Wisconsin we have 2 species of *Phytolacca* - one native

Shrub with alternative simple leaves

Inflorescence typically an indeterminate **raceme** 

Phytolacca americana - pokeweed



- simplest inflorescence type is indeterminate
- oldest flowers at the base
- younger flowers
   progressively closer to
   the apical meristem of
   the shoot

= a raceme



Phytolacca americana - pokeweed

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- No petals
- 2x as many stamens as sepals
- fused carpels but only 1 ovule per carpel
- berry fruited, bird dispersed, and a source of dye





#### **Alice Tanksley Brown's Poke Salet**

Alice Tanksley Brown grew up in Mississippi, a state rich in pokeweed. She remembers Dr. Pruett telling her mother, "Widow, if you give your children a mess of poke in the spring and some sassafras tea, you'll save yourself doctor bills for a year." The good doc was probably referring to pokeweed's leaves purgative powers as they contain toxic alkaloids that should not be eaten in large amounts. Most recipes call for the green to be parboiled, at least once and sometimes twice, and for the water to be discarded.

The genus is poisonous, containing a dense array of chemicals used in a variety of medicinal treatments.



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our non-native species – achenes!



Phytolacca acinosa – Indian pokeweed



Phytolacca acinosa – Indian pokeweed

#### Portulacaceae - purslane family

Family comprises small **succulent** herbs with small flowers except

for cultivated species.



Portulaca oleracea
Common purslane

Portulaca grandiflora Rock rose (Argentina)

#### Portulacaceae - purslane family



Portulaca oleracea – little hogweed, purslane

Prostrate herb, leaves succulent; has been cultivated as a salad [ 'oleracea' = edible]

Flowers are small, yellow, 5-merous

Capsule opens via a cap or lid



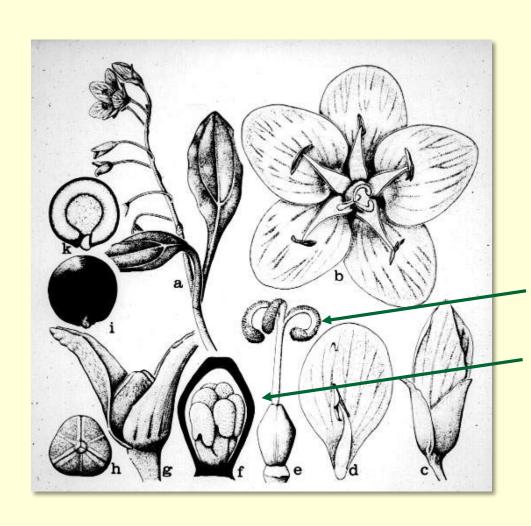




"herbal minute with Brigitte Mars" @ http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C9bFtKMSnXs

#### Montiaceae – spring beauty family

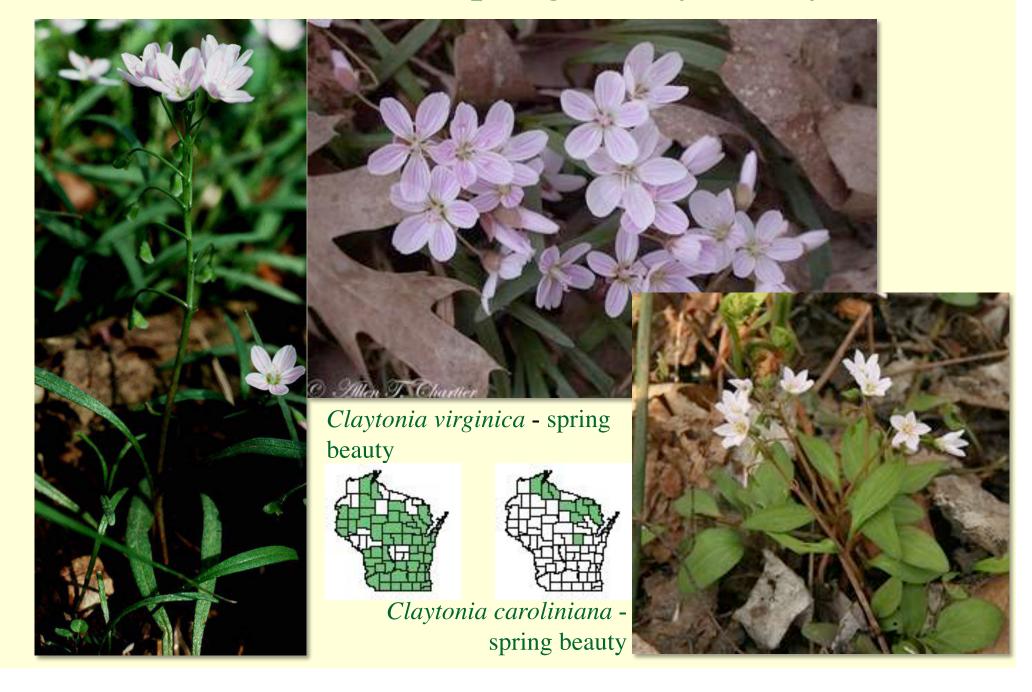
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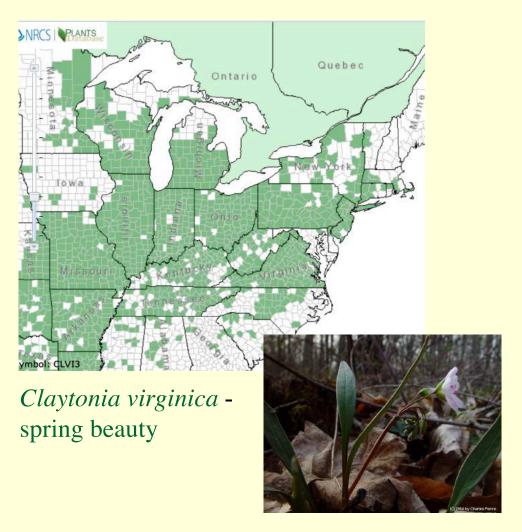


- 2 sepals, 5 showy petals, 5 stamens
- 3 fused carpels (note the 3 stigma)
- Basal placentation
- Fruit is a capsule "with a lid"

# Montiaceae – spring beauty family



#### Montiaceae – spring beauty family



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Lower elevation E NAm
S of Tension Zone Great Lakes

Higher elevation E NAm N of Tension Zone Great Lakes

#### Cactaceae - cactus family

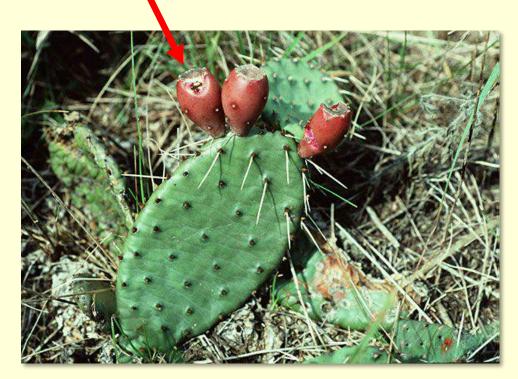
A New World family; xeromorphic trees, stem succulents and sometimes epiphytic

In Wisconsin we have 1 genus, Opuntia, with 2 recognized species



#### Cactaceae - cactus family

- Tepals
- Ovary is inferior and consist of 4 fused carpels with **parietal placentation**
- Fruit a berry (jam, wine!)



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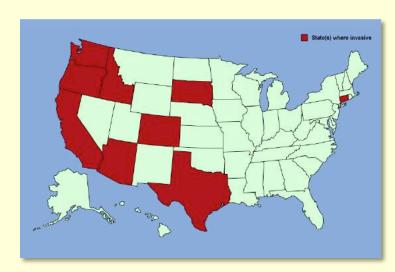


Opuntia macrorhiza - plains prickly-pear

- large family (now includes Chenopodiaceae)
- abundant in desert and semi-desert regions & weeds here!
- halophytic salt-loving; tumbleweeds







Bassia scoparia - summer cypress

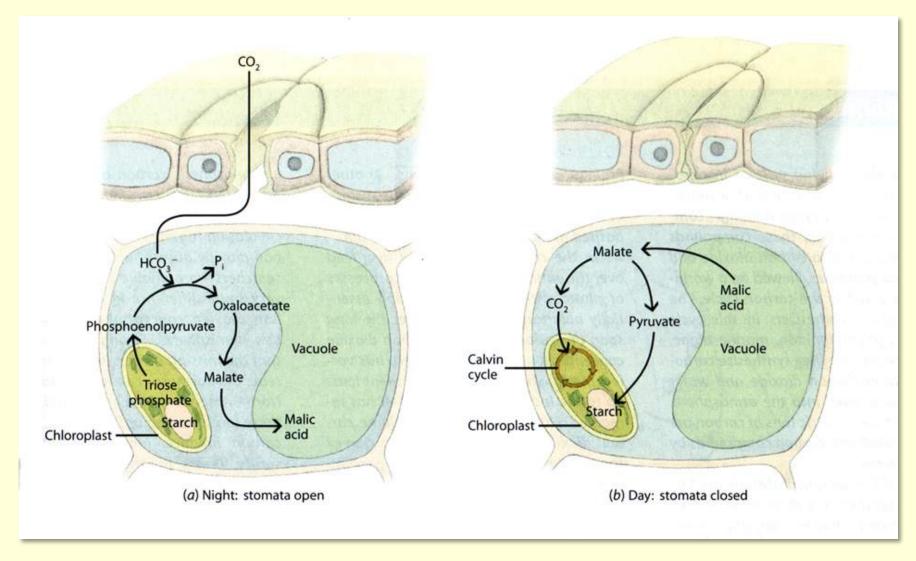
- large family (now includes Chenopodiaceae)
- abundant in desert and semi-desert regions & weeds here!
- **halophytic** salt-loving; tumbleweeds
- many species exhibit xerophytic adaptations (succulence, C4 or CAM photosynthesis)



Salicornia virginica - glasswort



Chenopodium album - lamb's quarter



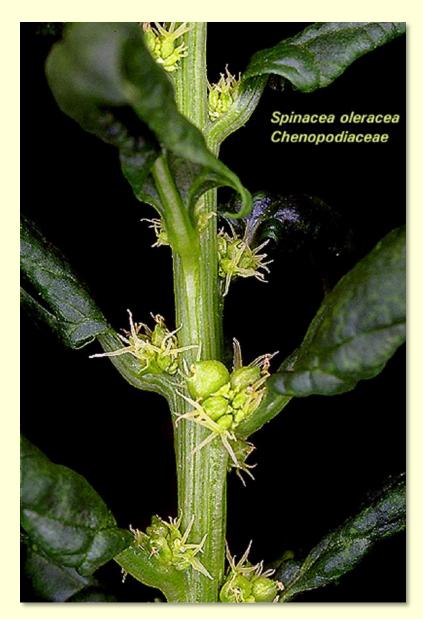
C<sub>4</sub> and Crassulacean Acid Metabolism

Flowers very small, greenish, **perfect or imperfect** (both monoecious and dioecious); congested inflorescences; wind pollinated

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- Sepals only persist in fruit
- Pistil with 1 locule and 1 ovule achene





Chenopodium album - lamb's quarter

#### Welcome to the Online Virtual Flora of Wisconsin This site is a collaborative effort between the herbaria of the UW-Madison (WIS) and the UW-Steven's Point (UWS plant species that occurs in Wisconsin, including photos, distribution maps, specimen records, and more Select a species to access available images Chenopodium [Goosefoot] Chenopodium album [common lamb's-quarters; lamb's quarters; pigweed] Chengoodium album f. lanceolatum Chenopodium album var. album Chenopodium album var. lanceolatum Chenggodium album var missouriense Chenopodium album var. stevensii Chenopodium ambrosioides Chenopodium ambrosioides subsp. eu-ambrosioides Chenopodium ambrosloides subsp. eu-ambrosloides var. suffruticosum Chenopodium ambrosloides subsp. eu-ambrosloides var. typicum Chenopodium ambrosioides subsp. eu-ambrosioides var. typicum f. integrifolium Chenopodium ambrosioides var. ambrosioides Chenopodium ambrosloides var. integrifolium Chenopodium ambrosioides var. suffruticosom Chenopodium ambrosioides var. typicum Chenopodium ambrosloides var. typicum f. integrifolium Chenopodium berlandieri (pit-seed goosefoot) Chenopodium berlandieri subsp. platyphyllum Chenopodium berlandieri subsp. zschackei Chenopodium berlandieri var. bushlanum [Bush's goosefoot; pit-seed goosefoot] Chenopodium berlandieri var. farinosum Chenopodium berlandieri var. zschackei [pit-seed goosefoot; Zschack's goosefoot] Chenopodium botrys Chenopodium bushianum Chenopodium bushianum var. acutidentatum Chenopodium calceoliforme Chenopodium capitatum [bilte goosefoot; Indian ink; Indian-paint; strawberry-bilte] Chenopodium capitatum var. capitatum [blite goosefoot; Indian ink; Indian-paint; strawberry-blite] Chenopodium desiccatum var. leptophylloides Chenopodium foliosum [leafy goosefoot] Chenopodium gigantospermum Chenopodium gigantospermum var. standievanum Chenopodium glaucophyllum Chenopodium glaucum (oak-leaf goosefoot; oak-leaved goosefoot) Chenopodium glaucum subsp. euglaucum Chenopodium glaucum var. glaucum [oak-leaf goosefoot; oak-leaved goosefoot] Chenopodium hybridum subsp. gigantospermun Chenopodium hybridum var. gigantospermum Chenopodium hybridum var. simplex Chenopodium hybridum var. standleyanum Chenopodium lanceolatum Chenopodium missouriense Chenopodium murale [nettle-leaved goosefoot; sowbane] Chenopadium opulifolium [seaport goosefoat] Chenopodium paganum Chenopodium petiolare var. leptophylloides Chenopodium platyphyllum Chenopodium polyspermum [many-seed goosefoot] Chenopodium polyspermum var. acutifolium [many-seed goosefoot] Chenopodium pratericola [desert goosefoot; narrow-leaf goosefoot] Chenopodium pratericola subsp. eupratericola Chenopodium pratericola var. leptophylioides Chenanadium numilia Chenopodium rubrum [alkali-blite; coast-blite; red goosefoot; red pigweed] Chenopodium rubrum var. rubrum [alkali-blite; coast-blite; red goosefoot; red pigweed] Chenopodium simplex [maple-leaved goosefoot] Chenopodium standleyanum (Standley's goosefoot; woodland goosefoot) Chenopodium strictum [late-flowering goosefoot] Chenopodium strictum subsp. glaucophyllum Chenopodium strictum subsp. strictum Chenopodium strictum var. glaucophyllum Chenopodium strictum var. strictum Chenopodium subglabrum

Chengoodium suffruticosom

Chenopodium urbicum [city goosefoot]

#### *Chenopodium* – big & messy!



Traits Links Etymology: Dysphania: Greek dysphanis for "obscure," referring to the inconspicuous flowers Plants: annual/perennial forb Conservation Status: Introduced - adventive

Chenopodium ambrosioides

Dysphania ambrosioides





Amaranthus retroflexus - rough amaranth, pigweed, redroot

Large, difficult family especially common in northern temperate regions – lots of generic changes!

In Wisconsin we have many *Persicaria* (smartweeds), *Fallopia* (bindweeds, giant knotweeds), *Polygonum* (knotweeds), *Rumex* (sorrels, docks)



Persicaria amphibia - water smartweed

Persicaria hydropiper - water pepper

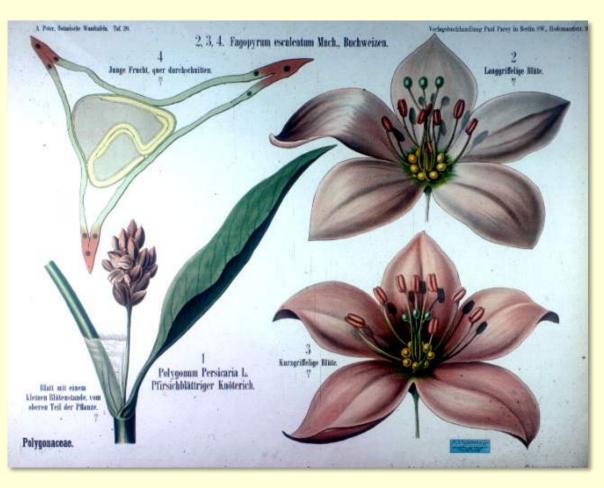


Herbs, shrubs with swollen nodes; leaves typically alternate and simple



Ocrea is a good character for the family – membranous sheath (connate stipule)

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- Flowers usually bisexual,
- Flowers are small often white to red
- 5 or 6 sepals (tepals) that often become large and membranous in fruit
- No petals
- Fruit is a triangular oneseeded **achene** (derivation of family name)





Rumex acetosella - sheep or red sorrel



Ubiquitous weed around the world, especially in pastures; distinctive leaf bases (**sagittate** or **hastate**); acetic acid taste (sour = 'sorrel')



Rumex crispus
Curly dock



Rumex brittanica (R. orbicularis)
Water dock

One-seeded fruits with 3 persistant sepals or wings





Polygonella articulata jointweed





Rheum rhabarbarum
Garden rhubarb - locally adventive





Drosera rotundifolia - round leaved sundew

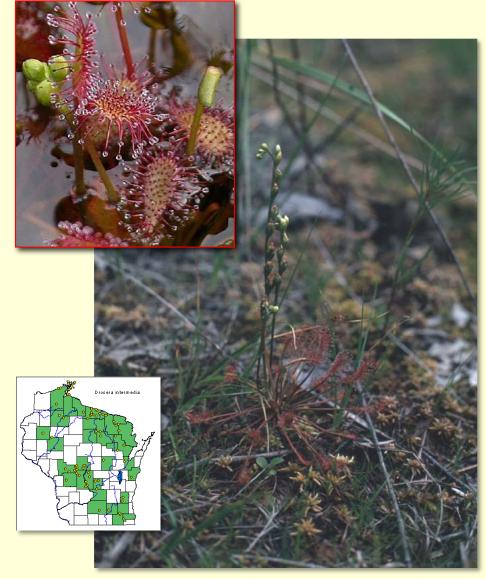
The sticky **tentacles** are modified leaves with gland tipped hairs that capture the insects. Digestion and then absorption of amino acids follows.

Insectivorous family including snap traps (Venus fly trap) and sticky fly papers (sundews). In Wisconsin we have 4 species of *Drosera* (sundews) in nutrient poor soils or peat.





"sundew time lapse" @ http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=frmyzIhD29Q

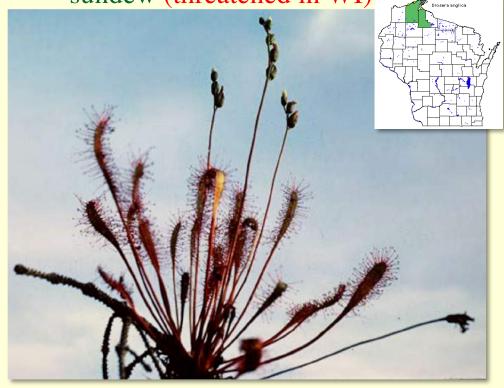


Drosera intermedia - narrowleaved sundew (threatened in WI)

Different species vary in leaf shape

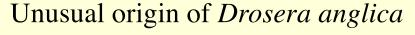
Flowers are small in a terminal raceme

Drosera anglica - English sundew (threatened in WI)

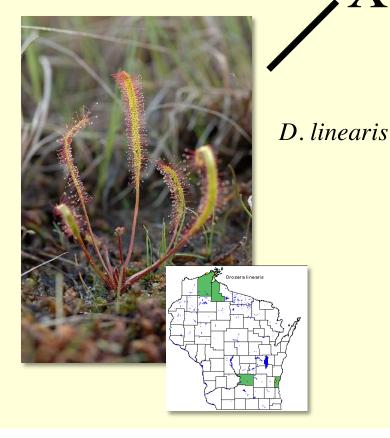




D. rotundifolia



- all *Drosera* are 2n = 20
- D. anglica is 2n = 40
- *D. anglica* is hybrid of *D. rotundifolia* and *D. linearis*
- *D. anglica* is allopolyploid (tetraploid)







Drosera –
Sundews:
sticky flypaper

Family shows divergence in insect capture



*Dionaea*–
Venus fly-trap: steel trap



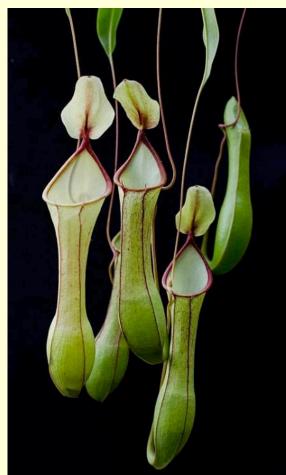


Drosera –
Sundews:
sticky flypaper



*Dionaea*–
Venus fly-trap: steel trap

Family shows divergence in insect capture



Nepenthes (Nepenthaceae) – Asian pitcher plants: Pitfall trap



Drosera –
Sundews:
sticky flypaper

Family shows convergence in insect capture



