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## Upper Triassic (Carnian–Lowermost Norian) Corals from the Pantokrator Limestone of Hydra (Greece)

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Griechenland Hydra Trias Karn Nor Korallen Systematik

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#### Obertrias-Korallen (Karn-Unterstes Nor) aus dem Pantokrator-Kalk von Hydra (Griechenland)

#### Zusammenfassung

Aus dem Pantokrator-Kalk der Insel Hydra (Griechenland) werden 24 Korallenarten, zugehörig zu 14 Genera, beschrieben. Zwei Genera und 7 Arten sind neu: (*Palaeastraea mandrakiensis* n.sp., *Stuoresia fluegeli* n.sp., *Conophyllia hellenica* n.sp., *Hydrasmilia* n.g.: *H. rhythmica* n.sp., *H. fossulata* n.sp., *H. fossulata* n.sp.). Die Korallen bestätigen das Alter der Lokalitäten als Karn bis unterstes Nor. Die Arten können meist mit südeuropäischen Lokalitäten (Italien, Slowenien, Südungarn, Rumänien, Türkei) verglichen werden und scheinen in südlichen Flachwasserbereichen der Tethys vorzuherrschen. Trotzdem, beinahe ein Drittel der neuen Arten spricht für spezielle und etwas differenzierte Lebensbedingungen in Hydra während der karnischen Periode.

#### Abstract

From the Pantokrator limestone of the Island Hydra, Greece, 24 species of corals belonging to 14 genera are described. Two genera and seven species are new (*Palaeastraea mandrakiensis* n.sp., *Stuoresia fluegeli* n.sp., *Conophyllia hellenica* n.sp., *Hydrasmilia* n.g.: *H. rhythmica* n.sp., *H. fossulata* n.sp., *H. ornamenta* n.sp., *Craspedophyllia graeca* n.g.n.sp.). Corals confirm Carnian to lowermost Norian age of localities. Coral species can mostly be compared with south European localities (Italy, Slovenia, south Hungary, Romania, Turkey), and seem to predominate in southern shallows of Tethys. Nevertheless, almost one third of the new species indicate special and somewhat different environments in Hydra during the Carnian period.

### 1. Introduction

The paleontological, palecological and microfacial investigations of the Upper Triassic limestones, the so called Pantokrator limestones in Greece were the aim of the research project "Tethyan reefs" (FI 42/33, 38) carried out in the Paleontological institute of the University of ErlangenNürnberg and supported by the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft over 10 years ago. During two field seasons in 1978 and 1979 almost thousand samples were collected from the Pantokrator limestones of the Didymi Mountains (southern Argolis, Pelopones) and from the Island of Hydra

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(Fig. 1). Some of the paleontological, palecological and microfacies results of the investigations were published in several papers by FLÜGEL (1983), SCHÄFER & SENOWBARI-DARYAN (1982, 1983), SENOWBARI-DARYAN (1982, 1983, 1990), SENOWBARI-DARYAN & SCHÄFER (1983).

In the Didymi Mountains the Upper Triassic to Liassic sequence of Pantokrator limestones consists mainly of limestones which are developed as well bedded in the subtidal to supratidal environment. These limestones are mainly megalodont and algal limestones dominated by dasycladacean green algae. Pellets, oncolites, stromatolites and some caliche do also occur.

The occurrence of the dasycladacean green alga *Poikilo-porella duplicata* (PIA) from the basal portion of a sequence exposed in the southern Argolis (BACHMANN & RISCH, 1979) and the species *Palaeodasycladus mediterraneus* (PIA) in the upper portion of the sequence described by SÜSSKOCH

(1967) indicate Carnian to Liassic age of the Pantokrator limestones. Reef limestones are absent or very rare in the Didymi Mountains.

Reef facies of Pantokrator limestones, equivalent to the bedded limestones in the Didymi Mountains, are exposed in the Hydra Island (Fig. 1, 2). The complete stratigraphic sequence and a short description of different facies units of late Paleozoic to Liassic rocks are given by RÖMERMANN (1968) and SCHÄFER & SENOWBARI-DARYAN (1982). The investigation of the genesis of abundant breccia of the Pantokrator limestones was carried out by RICHTER & FÜCHT-BAUER (1981).

The Pantokrator reefs in Hydra are dominated by corals, sponges, various algae and the most important problematic fossil *"Tubiphytes"*. SCHÄFER & SENOWBARI-DARYAN (1982, 1983) have reported four distinct vertical facies developments as follow:

- a) Coral-sponge-dominated limestone
- b) Sponge-(coral-)dominated limestone
- c) Coral limestone
- d) Well bedded (lagoonal to tidal) limestone with megalodonts and corals.

The sponges of the Pantokrator limestones of Hydra are described by SENOWBARI-DARYAN (1982, 1990), SENOW-BARI-DARYAN & SCHÄFER (1983), the algae by SCHÄFER & SE-NOWBARI-DARYAN (1982, 1983), and some microfossils by SENOWBARI-DARYAN (1983).

In the present paper we describe the corals collected from the Pantokrator limestones in 1978 and 1979. The samples collected in 1978 are marked with letter "G", those of 1979 with "A". The detail localities of "G" samples are given in Fig. 2. Most of "A" samples are collected on the road from Hydra Chora to Mandraki, in the eastern part of Mandraki, and in a locality near the farmer Jorgus (= Kalekos), corresponding to those of "G" samples from the same localities.

The studied material is kept in the Institute of Paleontology of the University Erlangen-Nürnberg under the same numbers as given in the text.



Text-Fig. 2.

Map of the Hydra exhibiting the distribution of the facies units of the Triassic Pantokrator Limestones with localities of G-samples.

#### 2. Description of the Coral Fauna

In total, 150 specimens and thin sections were examined; 90 specimens were researched, while all others are completely recrystallized.

Determined were 24 species belonging to 14 genera, 8 families and 4 suborders. Two genera and seven species are new

In systematics new revisions of the modern authors BEAUVAIS (1981), CUIF (1972, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977), MEL-NIKOVA (1975, 1983, 1984), MORYCOWA (1988), RONIEWICZ (1989), RONIEWICZ & MORYCOWA (1989), XIA & LIAO (1986) and combinations with some of our aspects were taken into account. Because of the poorly preserved Hydra material no microstructure analyses were possible.

The suborders Pachythecalina and Distichophylliina are used rather uniformly by all authors. In the Hydra material the genera Protoheterastraea and Volzeia are attributed to Pachythecalina, and the genera Coryphyllia, Palaeastraea, Margarophyllia and Margarosmilia to Distichophylliina.

The suborder Archaeocoeniina unites very different corals by various authors. These corals have smaller dimensions of corallites, compact septa of large trabeculae, and septothecal wall. To this suborder among Hydra specimens the Stuoresia and Gumbelastraea are ascribed (following BEAUVAIS [1981] and MELNIKOVA [1984]).

The genera Myriophyllum, Rhopalodendron, Thamnotropis, have various systematic positions in literature. These genera and the new genera Hydrasmilia and Craspedosmilia are here ascribed to the suborder Archaeofungiina, partly following BEAUVAIS (1981). Detailed explanation is given in the text.

For Hydra corals, temporarily the following systematics is proposed:

Suborder:	Pachythecalina ELIAŠOVA, 1976
Family:	Pachythecalidae CUIF, 1975
Genus:	Protoheterastraea WELLS,, 1937
Family:	Volzeidae Cuif, 1977
Genus:	Volzeia Cuif, 1966
Suborder:	Distichophylliina BEAUVAIS, 1981
Family:	Margarophylliidae Cuir, 1977
Genus:	Margarosmilia Vo∟z, 1896
Genus:	Margarophyllia Volz, 1896
Family:	Coryphylliidae BEAUVAIS, 1981
Genus:	Coryphyllia Cuif, 1974
Genus:	Palaeastraea Kühn, 1936
Suborder:	Archaeocoeniina ALLOITEAU, 1952
Family:	Gumbelastraeidae CUIF, 1977
Genus:	Gumbelastraea CUIF, 1976
Genus:	Stuoresia CUIF, 1976
Suborder:	Archaeofungiina BEAUVAIS, 1981
Family:	Procyclolitidae VAUGHAN & WELLS, 1943
Genus:	Myriophyllum Cuir, 1975
Genus:	Hydrasmilia nov.gen.
Family:	Conophylliidae Alloiteau, 1952
Genus:	Conophyllia d'Orbigny, 1849
Genus:	<i>Craspedosmilia</i> nov.gen.
Genus:	Rhopalodendron Turnšek, 1989
Family:	Tropiastraeidae CUIF, 1977
Genus:	Thamnotropis Cuir, 1975

New taxa and new systematical observations are described in detail. For the already known species the first name and the most important revisions are given, and the latest synonymy is added where neccessary. New materials in Hydra are documented. Abbreviations for dimensions are as usual:

- d: diameter of corallite
- cc: distance between two neighbouring centres of corallites
- number of septa, or density of septa at some diss: tance
- s1, s2: number of septa cycles.

#### Suborder: Pachythecalina ELIAŠOVA, 1976 Family: Pachythecalidae CUIF, 1975 Genus: Protoheterastraea WELLS, 1937

#### Protoheterastraea leonhardi (Volz), 1896

(Pl. 1, Fig. 1-2)

- 1896 Hexastraea Leonhardi nov.spec. VOLZ: 92, Taf. 11/21-25.
- 1937 Protoheterastraea leonhardi (VOLZ). WELLS: 73-74.
- 1972 Hexastraea (= Protoheterastraea) leonhardi (VOLZ). CUIF: 258-268, Fig. 23-26.
- 1991 Protoheterastraea leonhardi (VOLZ). RIEDEL: 116.

The phaceloid colony has corallites with d = 4-5 mm, typical thick wall and incease by septal division which fits well with type specimen.

Material: G-504.

#### Protoheterastraea minor TURNŠEK, 1989 (Pl. 1, Fig. 3-4)

1989 Protoheterastraea minot n.sp. - TURNŠEK in: TURNŠEK & BUSER: 83-84, Pl. 1/1-5.

1991 Protoheterastraea minor TURNŠEK. - RIEDEL: 117.

The specimens from Hydra are identical with originals from Slovenia in the same dimensions of corallites (d = 2-3 mm) but having a somewhat thinner wall and in places more septa (20-28). Nevertheless they are still in the variation range of the species.

Material: A-55, A-293, G-211, G-299.

#### Family: Volzeidae CUIF, 1977 Genus: Volzeia CUIF, 1966

#### Volzeia badiotica (Volz), 1896

(Pl. 1, Fig. 5-6)

- 1896 Thecosmilia badiotica n.sp. Volz: 26-30, Taf. 2/14-19, Text-Fig. 24-27.
- 1982 Volzeia badiotica (VOLZ). TURNŠEK et al.: 69-70, Pl. 3/4-5. Svnonvmv!
- 1984 Volzeia badiotica (VOLZ). RAMOVŠ & TURNŠEK: 178, Pl. 8/1.
- 1987 Volzeia badiotica (VOLZ). TURNŠEK et al.: 45, Pl. 4/1–2. 1989 Volzeia badiotica (VOLZ). TURNŠEK & BUSER: 84, Pl. 2/1–3.
- 1991 Volzeia badiotica (VOLZ). RIEDEL: 118.

Very well preserved phaceloid colonies from Hydra with dimensions d = 8-15 mm are identical with previous descriptions of this species.

Material: A-31/1,2,3, A-580, A-586, A-738, G-374.

### Volzeia sublaevis (MÜNSTER), 1841

(Pl. 1, Fig. 7)

- 1841 Lithodendron sublaevis MÜNSTER: non vid.
- 1896 Thecosmilia sublaevis MÜNSTER. VOLZ: 24-26, Taf. 2/1-5, Text-Fig. 21-22.

- 1982 Volzeia sublaevis (MÜNSTER). TURNŠEK et al.: 70, Pl. 3/6, Synonymy!
- 1984 *Volzeia sublaevis* (Münster). Ramovš & Turnšek: 178–179, Pl. 8/2–3.
- 1991 Volzeia sublaevis (MÜNSTER). RIEDEL: 118.

*V. sublaevis* is smaller (d = 5-8 mm) than *V. badiotica* and very numerous in Hydra.

Material: A-50, A-53, A-56, A-147, A-281, G-464, G-472, G-502.

#### Volzeia subdichotoma (MÜNSTER), 1841 (Pl. 1, Fig. 8)

- 1841 Lithodendron subdichotomum. MÜNSTER: non. vid.
- 1865 Cladophyllia subdichotoma Münster. LAUBE: 38, Taf. 4/2.
- 1896 Thecosmilia subdichotoma MÜNSTER. VOLZ: 22-24, Taf. 1/17-21, Text-Fig. 7, 16, 19, 20.
  1974 "Volzeia subdichotoma" in: groupe subdichotoma - sublaevis - ba-
- 1974 "Volzeia subdichotoma" in: groupe subdichotoma sublaevis badiotica. – CUIF: 337–354, Fig. 17, 21d.
- 1986 Retiophyllia subdichotoma (MÜNSTER). XIA & LIAO: 41, Pl. 2/9–11.
- 1991 Volzeia subdichotoma (MÜNSTER). RIEDEL: 118.

This species is characteristic because of its dense co-rallites. d = 4-8 mm.

Material: G-285, G-286, G-477.

# Suborder:Distichophylliina BEAUVAIS, 1981Family:Margarophylliidae CUIF, 1977Genus:Margarosmilia VOLZ, 1896

#### Margarosmilia confluens (MÜNSTER), 1841

(Pl. 2, Fig. 1-3)

- 1841 Cyathophyllum confluens. MÜNSTER: non. vid.
- 1896 Margarosmilia zieteni KLIPSTEIN. var. confluens MÜNSTER. VOLZ: 35–36, Taf. 1/8–12.
- 1982 Margarosmilia confluens (MÜNSTER). TURNŠEK et al.: 68–69, Pl. 2/5–6. Synonymy!
- 1986 Margarosmilia confluens (MÜNSTER). XIA & LIAO: 40–41, PI. 1/3–6.
- 1989 Margarosmilia confluens (MÜNSTER). TURNŠEK & BUSER: 85, Pl. 3/3.

1991 Margarosmilia confluens (MÜNSTER). - RIEDEL: 115.

A modern description of the species was made by CUIF (1974). Phaceloid specimens from Hydra are frequent and fit in with this description; d = 5-8 mm.

Material: A-518, A-523, A-584, G-142, G-345.

#### Margarosmilia nova TURNŠEK, 1991

(Pl. 2, Fig. 4)

1991 Margarosmilia nova n.sp. – TURNŠEK in: RAMOVŠ & TURNŠEK: 184, Pl. 6/1–3.

Phaceloid coral with very large corallites (d = 15-20 × 25 mm) is rather rare. Hydra is its second locality. Material: A-260/1, A-260/1.

#### Margarosmilia zieteni (KLIPSTEIN), 1843 (Pl. 2, Fig. 5)

1843 Montlivaultia zieteni – KLIPSTEIN: non. vid.

- 1896 Margarosmilia zieteni KLIPSTEIN. VOLZ: 34–35, Taf. 1/1–7, Text-Fig. 18.
- 1982 *Margarosmilia zieteni* KLIPSTEIN. TURNŠEK et. al.: 68, Pl. 2/1–4. Synonymy!

1987 Margarosmilia zieteni KLIPSTEIN. – TURNŠEK et al.: 44, Pl. 1/4. 1991 Margarosmilia zieteni KLIPSTEIN. – RIEDEL: 115.

Hydra specimens are numerous and well preserved, d = 11-16 mm, and fit in with other materials.

Material: A-5, A-192, A-612/5,6, G-487ab.

Margarosmilia richthofeni Volz, 1896 (Pl. 2, Fig. 6–7)

1896 Margarosmilia richthofeni nov.spec. – Volz: 36, Taf. 1/13–14.

- 1984 Margarosmilia richthofeni Volz. RAMOVŠ & TURNŠEK: 176–177, PI. 5/1–2.
- 1986 Margarosmilia richthofeni (Münster). XIA & LIAO: 40, PI. 1/1–2.
- 1989 Margarosmilia richthofeni Volz. Turnšek & Buser: 85, Pl. 4/3.
- 1991 Margarosmilia richthofeni Volz. Riedel: 115.

This species differs from the other species of this genus in much more dense septa in the periphery. d = 7-15 mm. Material: A-159.

#### Genus: Margarophyllia VOLZ, 1896

#### Margarophyllia crenata (MÜNSTER), 1841 (Pl. 3, Fig. 1)

- 1841 Montlivaultia crenata. MÜNSTER: non. vid.
- 1896 Margarophyllia crenala (MÜNSTER). VOLZ: 49–50, Taf. 3/6–11.
- 1982 Margarophyllia crenata (MÜNSTER). TURNŠEK et al.: 68, Pl. 1/5–8. Synonymy!
- 1984 Margarophyllia crenata (MÜNSTER). RAMOVŠ & TURNŠEK: 176, Pl. 4/2.
- 1987 Margarophyllia crenata (MÜNSTER). TURNŠEK et al.: 44, Pl. 1/3. 1991 Margarophyllia crenata (MÜNSTER). – RIEDEL: 115.

Large solitary coral with d = 30-50 mm is an outstanding well preserved coral in the Hydra Pantokrator limestone.

Material: A-595, A-646, A-647.

#### Margarophyllia capitata (MÜNSTER), 1841 (Pl. 3, Fig. 2–3)

- 1841 Montlivaultia capitata MÜNSTER: non. vid.
- 1896 Margarophyllia capitata MÜNSTER. VOLZ: 46-47, Taf. 3/1-4.
- 1982 Margarophyllia capitata (MÜNSTER). TURNŠEK et al.: 67–68, Pl. 1/1–4.
- 1984 Margarophyllia capitata (MÜNSTER). RAMOVŠ & TURNŠEK: 16, PI. 4/5–6.
- 1987 Margarophyllia capitata (MÜNSTER). TURNŠEK et al.: 43, Pl. 1/2.
- 1989 Margarophyllia capitata (MÜNSTER). TURNŠEK & BUSER: 85, Pl. 3/2.
- 1991 Margarophyllia capitata (MÜNSTER). RIEDEL: 115.

This solitary species with d = 15-20 mm is very frequent in Hydra and completely fits with so far known samples.

Material: A-520, G-237, G-311, G-365, G-494, G-495, G-508, G-522.

#### Family: Coryphylliidae BEAUVAIS, 1981 Genus: Coryphyllia CUIF, 1975

In addition to lonsdaleoid septa (RONIEWICZ 1989: 35) this genus has also laterally ornamented septa. So it is separated from the family Distichophylliidae CUIF 1977, and ascribed to the family Coryphylliidae, following BEAU-VAIS (1981: 352).

### Coryphyllia elliptica (MELNIKOVA), 1975

(Pl. 3, Fig. 4)

- 1975 Cuifia elliptica sp. nov. MELNIKOVA: 84–85, Tab. 14/3–5.
- 1987 *Cuitia elliptica* Melnikova. Turnšek & Ramovš: 34–35, PI. 4/3–4.
- 1989 *Coryphyllia elliptica* (MELNIKOVA). RONIEWICZ: 65–66, Pl. 15/1.2,7.
- 1991 Coryphyllia elliptica (MELNIKOVA). RIEDEL: 113.

This solitary coral has very large dimensions; d = 40-50 mm.

Material: A-279, G-367

#### Coryphyllia regularis Cuif, 1974

(Pl. 3, Fig. 5)

- 1974 Coryphyllia regularis n.sp. CUIF: 380-383, Text-Fig. 37-38.
- 1984 Coryphyllia regularis CUIF. RAMOVŠ & TURNŠEK: 175, Pl. 4/1. 1989 Coryphyllia regularis CUIF. – TURNŠEK & BUSER: 84, Pl. 3/1.
- 1989 Coryphyllia regularis CUIF. TORNSER & BUSER: 64, PI. 371. 1989 Coryphyllia regularis CUIF. – RONIEWICZ: 64.
- 1991 Coryphyllia regularis CUIF. RIEDEL: 113.

Differs from C. elliptica in d = 25-30 mm.

Material: A-546, A-587.

#### Genus: Palaeastraea KÜHN, 1936

#### Palaeastraea mandrakiensis n.sp. (Pl. 4, Fig. 1-6)

N a m e : After the locality at Mandraki Bay.

Holotypus: G-284 (Pl. 4, Fig. 3).

- Material: G-185, G-281, G-284 with three thin sections.
- Locus typicus: At the road near Mandraki Bay.
- Stratum typicum: Pantokrator limestone, Carnian lowermost Norian.
- Diagnosis: *Palaeastraea* with large dissepimental peritheca, d = 15-20, s = 16+s.
- Description: Large massive colony with presumably confluent septa. Septa compact, in 3–4 cycles, S1 (and S2) being very thick, the others by degrees shorter and thinner. Lateral side rarely granulated or almost smooth. Endotheca of vesicular and long belt dissepiments.
- C omparison: Our specimens are nearly identical with *P. cyathophylloides* (FRECH) revised by RONIEWICZ (1989: 66–68). She explains the phaceloid resemblance of some corallites with the secondary endolithic destruction. Also our specimens show that the connections between corallites in places are clear and well preserved. Our species differs from *P. cyathophylloides* in larger dimensions of corallites, smaller number of septa and wider peritheca.

#### Suborder: Archaeocoeniina ALLOITEAU, 1952 Family: Gumbelastraeidae CUIF, 1977 Genus: Stuoresia CUIF, 1976

The genus was established by CUIF (1976: 108) on the basis of the specis *Meandrina bronni* KLIPSTEIN. It is a meand-roid-cerioid colony with typical polyfurcate budding. Septa trabecular with menian ornamentation, septothecal wall. In systematics it was ascribed to Archaeocoeniina –

Tropiphyllidae by BEAUVAIS (1981: 354), and Archaeocoeniina – Gumbelastraeidae by MELNIKOVA (1984: 50–51). The explanation of the authorship of the family Gumbelastraeidae being of CUIF 1977 (and not MELNIKOVA 1984) was given by RONIEWICZ (1989: 24).

#### Stuoresia fluegeli n.sp.

(Pl. 5, Fig. 1–6)

Name: Due to the respect to Prof. Dr. ERIK FLÜGEL.

- Holotypus: A-588 (Pl. 5, Fig. 1).
- Material: A-29, A-140, A-168, A-217, A-287, A-467, A-525, A-529, A-588, A-644, G-214, ?G-216, G-220, G-221, G-310.
- Locus typicus: Kalekos, Hydra.
- Stratum typicum: Pantokrator Limestone, Carnian.
- Diagnosis: Stuoresia with d = 2-3(4) mm, s = 24+c.
- Description: Cerioid-meandroid colony. Corallites in cross section roundish, oval or meandroid. Budding intracalicinal, in more directions. Septa compact, in 3-4 cycles, the last one as ridges in the wall only. Lateral ?menianes poorly preserved. Wall septothecal. No columella.
- Comparison: *S. bronni* (KLIPSTEIN 1841) is of the same dimensions of corallites, but much more meandriform (CUIF, 1975: 105–109, PI. 15/1–7, Text-Fig. 16; CUIF, 1976, 103–105, PI. 7/1–9). *S. cerioidea* (CUIF, 1976: 140) has larger corallites, and is never meandroid.

#### Genus: Gumbelastraea CUIF, 1976

#### Gumbelastraea pamphyliensis CUIF, 1976 (Pl. 6, Fig. 1–3)

1976 Gumbelastraea pamphyliensis nov.sp. - CUIF: 108, Pl. 9/2-4.

Description and comparison given by CUIF (1976: 105–109): Cerioid colony with corallites: d = ca 2-4 mm, s = ca 48. From type species *G. guembeli* CUIF (1976) it is distinguished by smaller dimensions and stronger pennulae.

Material: A-58, G-194, G-286, G-290, G-520.

#### Suborder: Archaeofungiina BEAUVAIS, 1981

In the present state of systematical subdivision of corals the suborder Archaeofungiina introduced by BEAUVAIS (1981) is here accepted.

Several representatives of Procyclolitidae, Conophyllidae and Tropiphyllidae as the genera *Myriophyllum*, *Thamnotropis*, *Rhopalodendron* and ? *Craspedophyllia* were attributed by various authors to various suborders, as: Archaeocoeniina, Archaeofungiina, Fungiina or even Distichophyllina (see BEAUVAIS, 1981: 354, 355; MELNIKOVA, 1984: 45, 52; RONIEWICZ, 1989: 24, 83). These genera have compact septa with small trabecular microstructure, sometimes ?pennular or menianes ornamentation, rare synapticulae, and columellar structure, but wall lacking or weakly developed epitheca.

They are distinguished from Fungiina which have typical porous septa, and from Archaeocoeniina which have septa of large trabeculae and septothecal wall. The new genera *Hydrasmilia* and *Craspedosmilia* are also put into Archaeofungiina.

#### Family: Procyclolitidae VAUGHAN & WELLS, 1943 Genus: *Myriophyllum* CUIF, 1975

#### Myriophyllum badioticum (VoLz), 1896 (Pl. 6, Fig. 4)

- 1896 Myriophyllia badiotica LORETZ n.n. VOLZ: 75-76, Taf. 9/9, Text-Fig. 41-42.
- 1982 Myriophyllum badioticum (VoLz). TURNŠEK et al.: 73–74, Pl. 7/5–6. Synonymy!
- 1989 Myriophyllum badioticum (Volz). TURNŠEK & BUSER: 87, Pl. 7/4.

The specimen is a fragment with densely packed septa which fit in with structures of *Myriophyllum badioticum*. Material: A-626.

#### Genus: Hydrasmilia nov.gen.

Name: After the Island of Hydra.

Type species: Hydrasmilia rhythmica n.sp.

- Diagnosis: Phaceloid colony with more or less rhythmical growth of corallites, round and oval in section. Septa compact of the same thickness, with rare lateral sharp granulations. Endotheca of tabulate and vesicular dissepiments, rare synapticulae. Microstructure of ?small trabeculae. Prolongated fossula with parietal columella.
- C om parison: In structure of septa this genus is similar to *Margarosmilia*, but differs in having parietal columella. In type and equal thickness of septa it resembles to *Pokl-jukosmilia* TURNŠEK (TURNŠEK & BUSER, 1989: 85) but differs as well in collumella, and in special rhythmical growth of corallites. In density of septa it is also similar to *Gillastraea* (MELNIKOVA, 1983: 51–54), from which it differs in granular ornamentation. In structure of septa it resembles *Myriophyllum* (CUIF, 1975: 61) which is solitary. For now, the new genus is put into the family Procyclolitidae, suborder Archaeofungiina.

#### Hydrasmilia rhythmica n.sp. (Pl. 7, Fig. 1–6)

Name: After the rhythmical growth of corallites.

Holotypus: A-151 (Pl. 7, Fig. 1).

Material: A-151, A-509, G-213 with eight thin sections.

Locus typicus: Mandraki Bay, Hydra.

- Stratum typicum: Pantokrator Limestone, Carnian.
- Diagnosis: *Hydrasmilia* with special rhythmical growth of corallites;  $d = 5-8 \times 6-12$  mm, s = ca 120.
- Description: Phaceloid colony with rhythmical thickenings of corallites. In transverse section they are roundish to oval, in longitudinal section periodical growth of corallites is seen. Septa are compact, in 5–6 cycles, all of them of the same thickness along the whole length. Lateral rare granulations. Microstructure seems to be of subperpendicularly arranged small trabeculae. In axial part parietal elongated columella. Endotheca is of tabulate and vesicular dissepiments, and rare synapticulae.
- Comparison: As given for genus. *H. rhythmica* is characterized with its special rhythmical growth of corallites.

### *Hydrasmilia fossulata* n.sp.

(Pl. 8, Fig. 1–5)

Name: After a long fossulla filled with parietal columella. Holotypus: A-57 (Pl. 8, Fig. 1).

Material: Colony with three thin sections.

- Locus typicus: Mandraki Bay, Hydra.
- Stratum typicum: Pantokrator Limestone, Carnian.
- Diagnosis: *Hydrasmilia* of dense septa and long fossula with parietal columella.  $d = 9-11 \times 12-20$  mm, s = ca 160 (7-8/2 mm).
- Description: Phaceloid colony, corallites in transverse section are elongated. Septa are compact, of equal thickness, dense, in 5–6 cycles. Lateral ornamentation is granular. Endotheca of numerous vesicular and tabulate dissepiments and rare synapticulae. Somewhere thin epitheca is preserved. Axial part of corallites is elongated fossula, fulfilled with parietal columella.
- Comparison: From type species *H. rhythmica* it differs in larger dimensions of more equal corallites and more elongated fossula.

#### Hydrasmilia ornamenta n.sp. (Pl. 9, Fig. 1-4)

Name: It has a rich lateral ornamentation on septa.

Holotypus: A-289 (Pl. 9, Fig. 1).

Material: A-289, G-266, G-274 with five thin sections.

Locus typicus: Mandraki Bay, Hydra.

Stratum typicum: Pantokrator Limestone, Carnian.

- Diagnosis: *Hydrasmilia* with numerous lateral granulations, and dimensions:  $d = (6-10) \times (12-20)$  mm, s = ca180, density of septa at wall 11–12/2 mm.
- Description: Phaceloid colony with round to oval corallites. Septa compact, of almost equal thickness, with abundant lateral ornamentation which looks like spines or sometimes like pennulae. Axially septa continue into elongated fossula and form parietal columella. Endotheca of numerous vesicular dissepiments. Microstructure not well preserved, looks like composed of small centred trabeculae.
- Comparison: In dimensions of corallites it is similar to *H. fossulata*, but differs in more abundant lateral septal ornamentation. From type species it differs also in larger corallites.

#### Family: Conophylliidae ALLOITEAU, 1952 Genus: Conophyllia D'ORBIGNY, 1849

The genus *Conophyllia* D'ORBIGNY 1850 was ascribed by VoLz (1896) to the genus *Omphalophyllia* LAUBE 1865, but later the genus *Conophyllia* was recognized by ALLOITEAU (1952), WELLS (1956), RIEDEL (1991), and others.

A revision was made by CUIF (1975: 52–55; 1977: 27) and MELNIKOVA (1975: 111–112). CUIF found out the difference with the similar *Omphalophyllia* in radial growth of free septa and in polycentric columella.

The similar genus *Neoconophyllia* DENG & KONG (1984) "differs in form of columella, dissepiments and synapticulae and in arrangements of trabeculae".

#### Conophyllia hellenica n.sp.

(Pl. 10, Fig. 1-4)

- Name: After Greece (= Hellas, adj. hellenicum) where it was found.
- Holotypus: G-539 (Pl. 10, Fig. 1).
- Material: G-539, A-20 with two thin sections.
- Locus typicus: Mandraki Bay, Hydra.
- Stratum typicum: Pantokrator Limestone, Carnian.
- Diagnosis: *Conophyllia* with radial, laterally granulated septa, vesicular dissepiments, parietal (polycentric) columella, dimensions of  $d = 25 \times 30$ , s = ca 150 (5/2 mm).
- Description: Solitary coral, roundish in cross section. Septa radial, compact, laterally irregularly granulated. Endotheca of thin numerous dissepiments and rare synapticulae. In axial part columella consists of more thick prolongations of septal trabeculae which form parietal axial mass. In rare places thin epitheca. Microstructure of septa is poorly preserved, seems to be trabecular. Dimensions: d = 25-30 mm, s = ca 150.
- Comparison: This new species differs from the type species in larger dimensions of corallum. It is also larger than the species *C. omphale* KOLOSVÁRY and *C. clepsidrae*, KOLOSVÁRY (see KOLOSVÁRY, 1966a: 130–131). RIEDEL (1991: 113) ascribed to this genus also species *C. laubei* VOLZ and *C. radiciformis* (KLIPSTEIN) which are as well smaller (d = 9–12 mm).

#### Genus: Craspedosmilia nov.gen.

- Name: In septal and columellar structure similar to *Craspedophyllia* but phaceloid colony.
- Type species: Craspedosmilia graeca n.sp.
- Diagnosis: Phaceloid colony with round corallites. Septa compact with rough lateral ornamentation looking like horizontal thorns. Endotheca of vesicular dissepiments and ?rare synapticulae. Strong solid columella.
- Comparison: In septal structure it resembles *Margaro-phyllia* VoLz 1896, in columella it looks like *Craspedophyllia* VoLz 1896. Because of its close relationship to *Craspe-dophyllia*, we placed it to the family Conophylliidae (see also RONIEWICZ, 1989: 83–84).

### *Craspedosmilia graeca* n.sp.

(Pl. 11, Fig. 1–6)

Name: Species found in Greece (lat. adj. graeca).

Holotypus: A-628 (Pl. 11, Fig. 1).

Material: A-628, G-511 with five thin sections.

Locus typicus: Kalekos, Hydra.

Stratum typicum: Pantokrator Limestone, Carnian.

Diagnosis: Craspedosmilia with d = 7-9 mm, s = ca 80.

Description: Phaceloid colony with rare corallites roundish in cross section. Septa compact in 4–5 cycles. S1, S2 and S3 reach to the centre, the others thinner and shorter. Lateral ornamentations are granular perpendicular to the septal line. In the centre there is a large massive columella. Endotheca is of tabulate and vesicular dissepiments, and rare ?synapticulae.

Comparison: As given for the genus.

#### Genus: Rhopalodendron TURNŠEK, 1989

#### Rhopalodendron juliensis Turnšek, 1989 (Pl. 6, Fig. 5–6)

- 1989 Rhopalodendron juliensis n.sp. TURNŠEK in: TURNŠEK & BUSER: 87–88, PI. 8/1–6.
- 1991 Rhopalodendron juliensis TURNŠEK. RAMOVŠ & TURNŠEK: 186, Pl. 8/1–3.

The species is frequent in Hydra and fits with materials from Slovenia. Hydra is the second so far known locality. Material: A-25, A-288, A-517, A-670, G-364, G-489, G-508.

#### Family: Tropiastraeidae Cuif, 1977 Genus: *Thamnotropis* Cuif, 1975

#### *Thamnotropis settsassi* (VoLz), 1896 (Pl. 6, Fig. 7–8)

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1896 *Thamnasteria Sett Sassi* nov.spec. – Volz, 60, Taf. 6/11, 11a-b. 1991 *Thamnotropis settsassi* (Volz). – RIEDEL, 118.

Irregularly encrusting lamellate colony with concentrically arranged thamnasterioid corallites. Septa confluent, in series parallel, with pennulae-like ornamentation. Only the first cycle septa reach into the centre of the corallites, where some of them touch rather strong columella. cc = 2-3 mm, s = 30-36. Specimens from Hydra fit in with original description, differing in more irregular growth only.

Material: A-284, A-600, A-602; G-306.

#### 3. Stratigraphic and Paleoecologic Comparison of Hydra Corals

The species of corals found in Hydra are known in many localities limited mostly to southern Europe (Dolomites/ Italy (VoLz 1896), Slovenia (RAMOVŠ & TURNŠEK, 1987, 1991; TURNŠEK, 1989; TURNŠEK & BUSER, 1989; TURNŠEK et al., 1982, 1984, 1987; TURNŠEK & RAMOVŠ, 1987), Hungary (KOLOSVARY, 1966a), Czech Republic (KOLOSVÁRY, 1966b), Romania (KÜHN, 1935), Turkey (CUIF, 1974, 1976). Some are known also in Pamir (MELNIKOVA, 1975, 1983, 1984), and in China (XIA & LIAO, 1986). (See Table 1).

Stratigraphically they are in some localities limited to Cordevolian and Julian age, some also reach into the Tuvalian, and some are mentioned in lowermost Norian beds. Typical Carnian corals are species of the genera *Protoheterastraea, Volzeia, Margarophyllia, Stuoresia, Myriophyllum* and *Thamnotropis.* The species of *Margarosmilia* are known in the whole Carnian and also in Norian localities. *Rhopalodendron, Coryphyllia* and *Gumbelastraea* are known in the Tuvalian and also in the Norian. The only Hydra genus *Palaeastraea* has so far been known only from Norian–Rhaetian beds (RIEDEL, 1991; RONIEWICZ, 1989; TURNŠEK & BUSER, 1991 and others).

Thus the coral localities in Hydra can mainly be compared with Carnian age (Cordevolian, Julian, Tuvalian). Only in the uppermost sections of the coral bearing Pantokrator limestone they can also belong to the lowermost Norian age.

Table 1.				
Geographical	and	stratigraphical	distribution	of
Hydra corals.				

Carnian reef limestones are known also in central Europe (Leckkogel beds in the Northern Calcareous Alps, Tisovec limestone in Carpathians and others: (DULLO & LEIN, 1982; FLÜGEL, 1982), and in North America (STANLEY, 1979). Nevertheless, the coral fauna from these localities is sparse. It seems that in the Carnian corals predominated in the southern regions of Tethyan shoals.

New species involve one third of the total coral fauna in Hydra. They indicate somewhat different conditions from those in other known localities. Carnian coral reefs are mainly smaller or larger patch reefs in which the content of fossil assemblages changed from place to place, either because of horizontal (regional) or vertical (stratigraphical) changes of the environment. The complete identification of localities is therefore not possible even at small distances (TURNŠEK et al., 1984).

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Coral species in Pantokrator Limestone in Hydra (Carnian – Lowermost Norian)	Regional world distribution	Stratigraph. world distrib.
Protoheterastraea leonhardi	I	СЈ
Volzeia sublaevis	I,Sl	СJ
Volzeia subdichotoma	I, H,C	СJ
Margarosmilia confluens	I Sl,H,Cz,C	СЈ
Margarosmilia richthofeni	I,S1, C	СJ
Myriophyllum badioticum	I,Sl	СJ
Thamnotropis settsassi	I	СJ
Protoheterastraea minor	Sl	СЈТ
Volzeia badiotica	I Sl,H,Cz,Pa	СЈТ
Margarosmilia zieteni	I,S1	СЈТ
Margarophyllia crenata	I,S1, R	СЈТ
Margarophyllia capitata	I,Sl	СЈТ
Coryphyllia regularis	Sl, Tur,	JT
Rhopalodendron juliensis	Sl	TN
Margarosmilia nova	Sl	TN
Gumbelastraea pamphyliensis	Tur	TN
Coryphyllia elliptica	Sl, Pa,	TNR
Stuoresia fluegeli n.sp.	Hydra	
Conophyllia hellenica n.sp.	Hydra	
Craspedosmilia graeca n.g.n.sp.	Hadry	
Hydrasmilia rhythmica n.g.n.sp.	Hydra	
Hydrasmilia fossulata n.g.n.sp.	Hydra	
Hydrasmilia ornamenta n.g.n.sp.	Hydra	
Palaeastraea mandrakiensis n.sp.	Hydra	
Geographical distribution: I = If Sl = Slovenia, R = Romania, Tu China. Stratigraphical distribution: C	taly, H = Hungary r = Turkey, Pa = = Cordevolian, C	y, Cz = Czech.R = Pamir, C = J = Julian, T =

Tuvalian, N = Norian, R = Rhaetian, .... stratigraphical distribution of genus.

- Figs. 1–2: Protoheterastraea leonhardi (VoLz), 1896.
  - Fig. 1: Transverse section of colony.
    - G-504, × 4.
  - Fig. 2: Transverse section of part of corallites from the same colony.
  - × 20.
- Figs. 3–4: Protoheterastraea minor TURNŠEK, 1989.
  - Fig. 3: Transverse section of colony.
    - A-55a, × 4.
    - Fig. 4: Longitudinal section of the same colony. X 4.
- Figs. 5-6: Volzeia badiotica (VoLz), 1896.
  - Fig. 5: Transverse section of two corallites.
    - A-31/2, × 4.
  - Fig. 6: Detail from Fig. 1. Microstructure of wall and part of septa. × 20.
- Fig. 7: Volzeia sublaevis (MÜNSTER), 1841. Transverse section of colony. G-464, × 4.
- Fig. 8: Volzeia subdichotoma (MÜNSTER), 1841. Transverse section of dense corallites. G-477, × 4.



Plate 2

#### Figs. 1–3: Margarosmilia confluens (MÜNSTER), 1841.

- Fig. 1: Transverse section of colony.
  - A-523, × 4.
- Fig. 2: Longitudinal section of two corallites. A-584b,  $\times$  4.
- Fig. 3: Longitudinal tangential section of one corallite. A-584b,  $\times$  4.
- Fig. 4: **Margarosmilia nova TURNŠEK, 1991.** Transverse section of corallites. A-260/1, × 4.

#### Fig. 5: *Margarosmilia zieteni* (KLIPSTEIN), 1843. Transverse section of corallites.

G-612/6, × 4.

#### Figs. 6–7: Margarosmilia richthofeni Volz, 1896.

Fig. 6: Transverse section of corallites. Note numerous septa at the wall area.

- A-159a, × 4.
- Fig. 7: Longitudinal section of corallite. A-159b,  $\times$  4.



- Fig. 1: *Margarophyllia crenata* (MÜNSTER), 1841. Transverse section of part of corallum. A-595, X 4.
- Figs. 2–3: *Margarophyllia capitata* (MÜNSTER), 1841. Fig. 2: Transverse section of corallum. G-522, × 4. Fig. 3: Detail from Fig. 2. × 20.
- Fig. 4: **Coryphyllia elliptica (MELNIKOVA), 1975.** Transverse section of part of corallum. G-367, × 4.

#### Fig. 5: **Coryphyllia regularis CUIF, 1974.** Transverse section of corallum. Note smooth septa and pelicular wall. A-546, × 4.



#### Figs. 1-6: Palaeastraea mandrakiensis n.sp.

Fig. 1: Transverse section of colony. G-185/3, × 2.

- Fig. 2: Longitudinal section of one corallum. G-281/1,  $\times$  2. Fig. 3: Transverse section of corallites. Left below perithecal skeleton. G-284, holotype. ×4.
- Fig. 4: Detail from Fig. 1.
  - × 4.
- Fig. 5: Detail from Fig. 2.
- × 4. Fig. 6: Microstructure in transverse section. G-284, × 50.



Figs. 1–6: Stuoresia fluegeli n.sp.
 Fig. 1: Transverse section of colony with roundish, polygonal and meandroid corallites. A-588/2, holotype, × 4.
 Fig. 2: Longitudinal section of colony.

- A-588/1, × 4.
- Fig. 3: Transverse section of another colony.
- A-525, × 4.
- Fig. 4: Detail from Fig. 1.
- × 8. Fig. 5: Detail from Fig. 2.
- × 8.
- Fig. 6: Microstructure in transverse section. A-588/2, × 20.



## Figs. 1–3: *Gumbelastraea pamphylliensis*, CUIF 1976. Fig. 1: Transverse section of cerioid colony.

- - A-58, × 4.

  - Fig. 2: Detail from Fig. 1,  $\times$  8. Fig. 3: Longitudinal-oblique section of colony. G-520,  $\times$  8.
- Myriophyllum badioticum (Volz), 1896. Fig. 4: Transverse section of part of corallum.
  - A-626, × 4.
- Figs. 5-6: Rhopalodendron juliensis TURNSEK, 1989.
  - Fig. 5: Transverse section of colony.
    - G-508, × 4.
    - Fig. 6: Detail from Fig. 5,  $\times$  8.

### Figs. 7-8: Thramnotropis settsassi (VoLz), 1896.

- Fig. 7: Transverse oblique section of colony.
  - A-600, × 4.
  - Fig. 8: Transverse section of another part of colony showing two confluent corallites with columella. A-600, × 20.



#### Figs. 1-6: Hydrasmilia rhythmica n.g. n.sp.

- Fig. 1: Transverse section of corallites.

  - A-151d, holotype, × 4. Fig. 2: Longitudinal section of two corallites. Note rhythmical thickenings. A-151a, X 4. Fig. 3: Transverse section of two corallites.

  - A-151c, × 8.
  - Fig. 4: Detail from Fig. 2 with axial and tangential longitudinal sections. × 8.
  - Fig. 5: Microstructure in transverse section.
    - A-151c, × 50.
  - Fig. 6: Microstructure in longitudinal section. A-151a, × 50.



- Figs. 1–5: *Hydrasmilia fossulata* n.g. n.sp. Fig. 1: Transverse section of corallites showing long fossula with trabecular columella.

  - Fig. 1: Transverse section of coralities showing A-57b, holotype, × 4.
    Fig. 2: Longitudinal section of two corallites. A-57a, × 4.
    Fig. 3: Detail from Fig. 1, × 8.
    Fig. 4: Microstructure in transverse section. A 57b × 50

  - A-57b, × 50.
  - Fig. 5: Microstructure in longitudinal section. A-57a, × 50.



- Figs. 1–4: *Hydrasmilia ornamenta* n.g. n.sp. Fig. 1: Transverse section of corallites. A-289, holotype, × 4. Fig. 2: Longitudinal section of two corallites. G-274, × 4.
  - Fig. 3: Detail from Fig. 1, showing ornamented septa.
  - × 8.
  - Fig. 4: Microstructure in transverse section. A-289, × 50.





# Figs. 1–4: *Conophyllia hellenica* n.sp. Fig. 1: Transverse section of corallum. G-539/2, holotype, × 4.

- Fig. 2: Transverse section of another corallum.
- A-20, × 4.
- Fig. 3: Detail from Fig. 1.
- × 20. Fig. 4: Detail from Fig. 1 showing microstructure. × 50.



- Figs. 1–6: Craspedosmilia graeca n.g. n.sp. Fig. 1: Transverse section of colony with rare corallites. A-628a, holotype, × 4. Fig. 2: Detail from Fig. 1 with one corallite.

  - Fig. 2: Detail from Fig. 1 with one coralities.
    × 8.
    Fig. 3: Longitudinal section of two corallites.
    A-628d, × 4.
    Fig. 4: Detail from Fig. 3.

  - × 8.

  - Fig. 5: Microstructure in transverse section. A-628a, × 50.
  - Fig. 6: Microstructure in longitudinal section.
    - A-628d, × 50.



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