



# Asteraceae and its relatives



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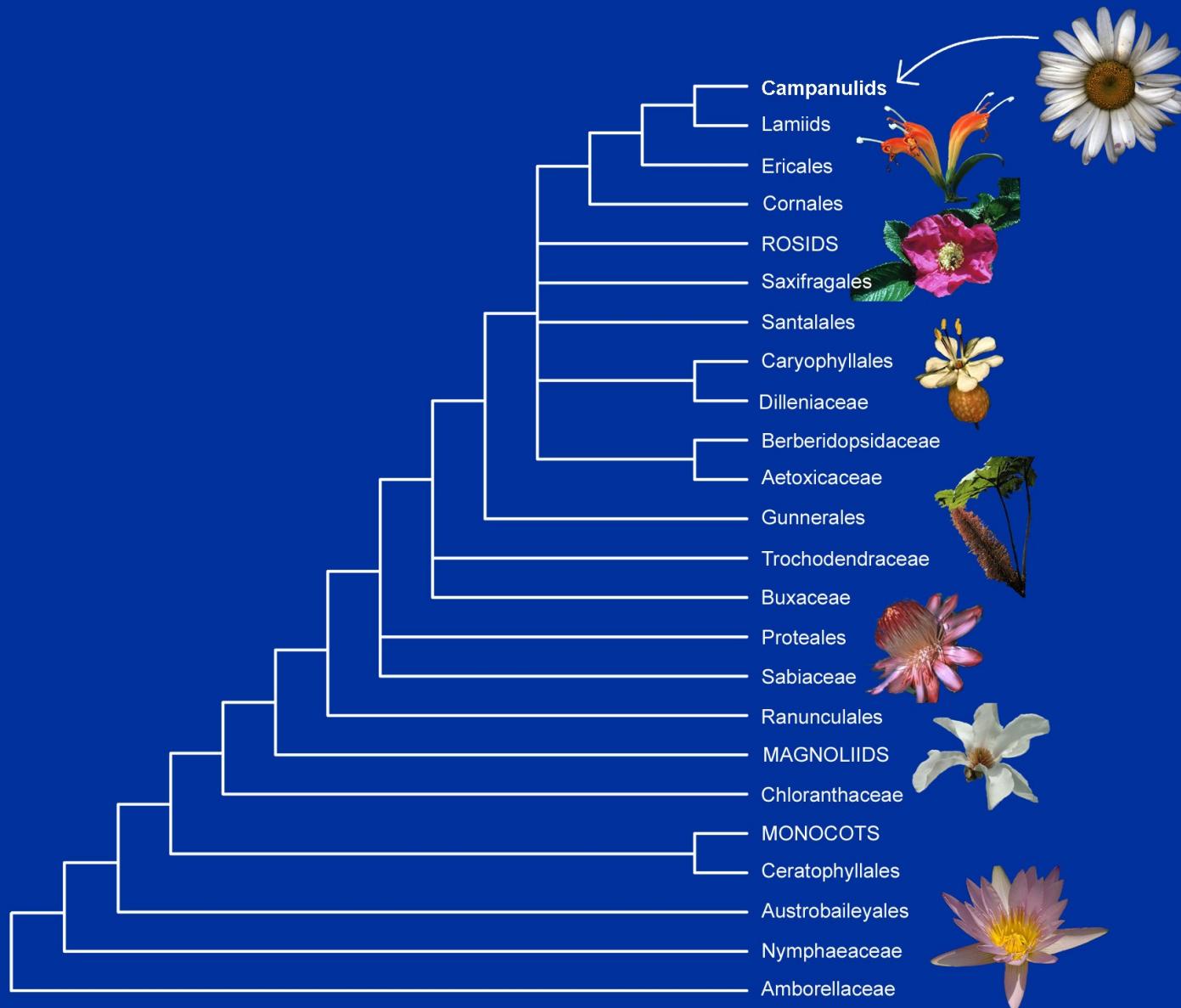
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Asterales – an outward view: the  
campanulids

Some Remaining Problems

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Acknowledgments



# Asterales – an inward view

Earlier: often Asteraceae only



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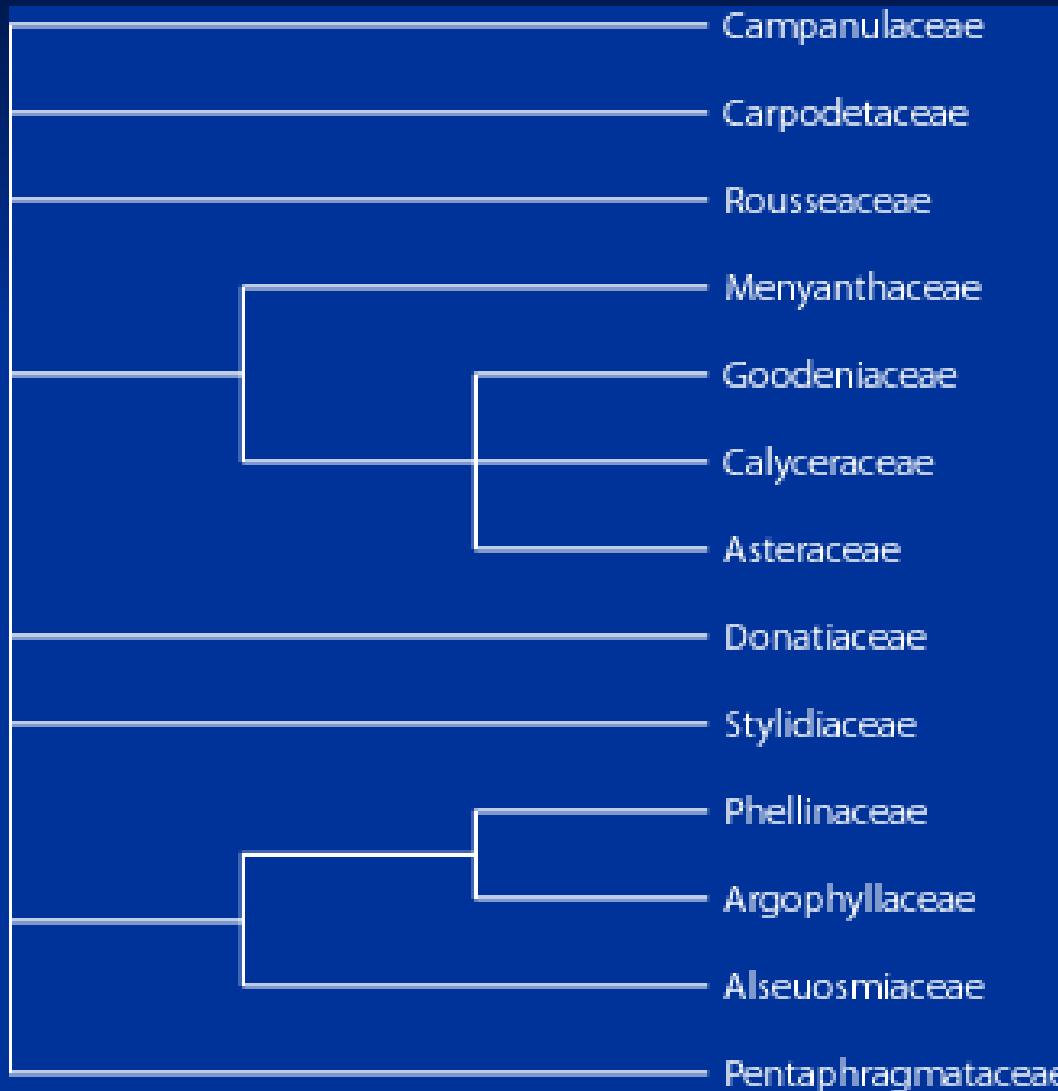
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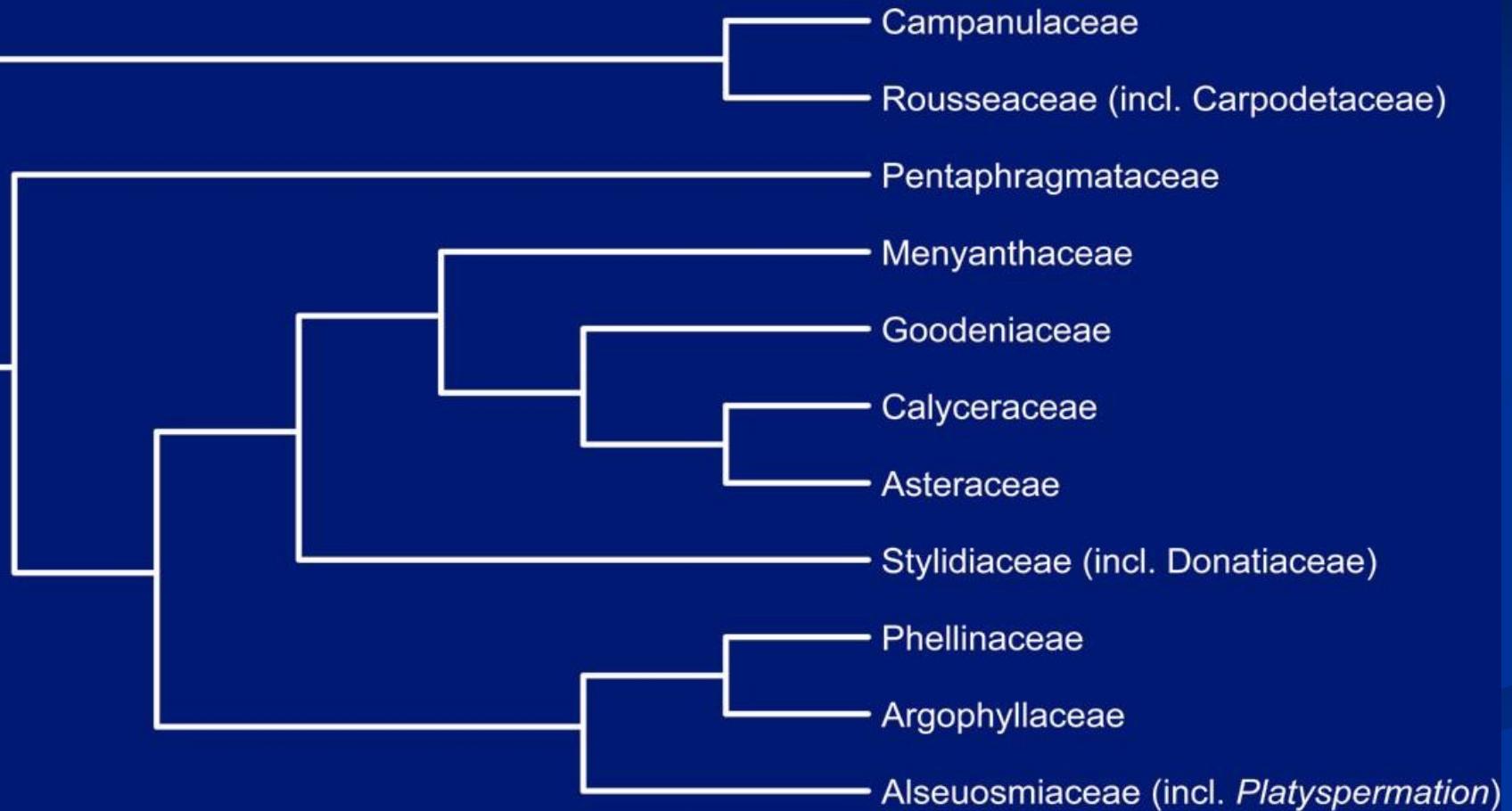
Today: 11 families



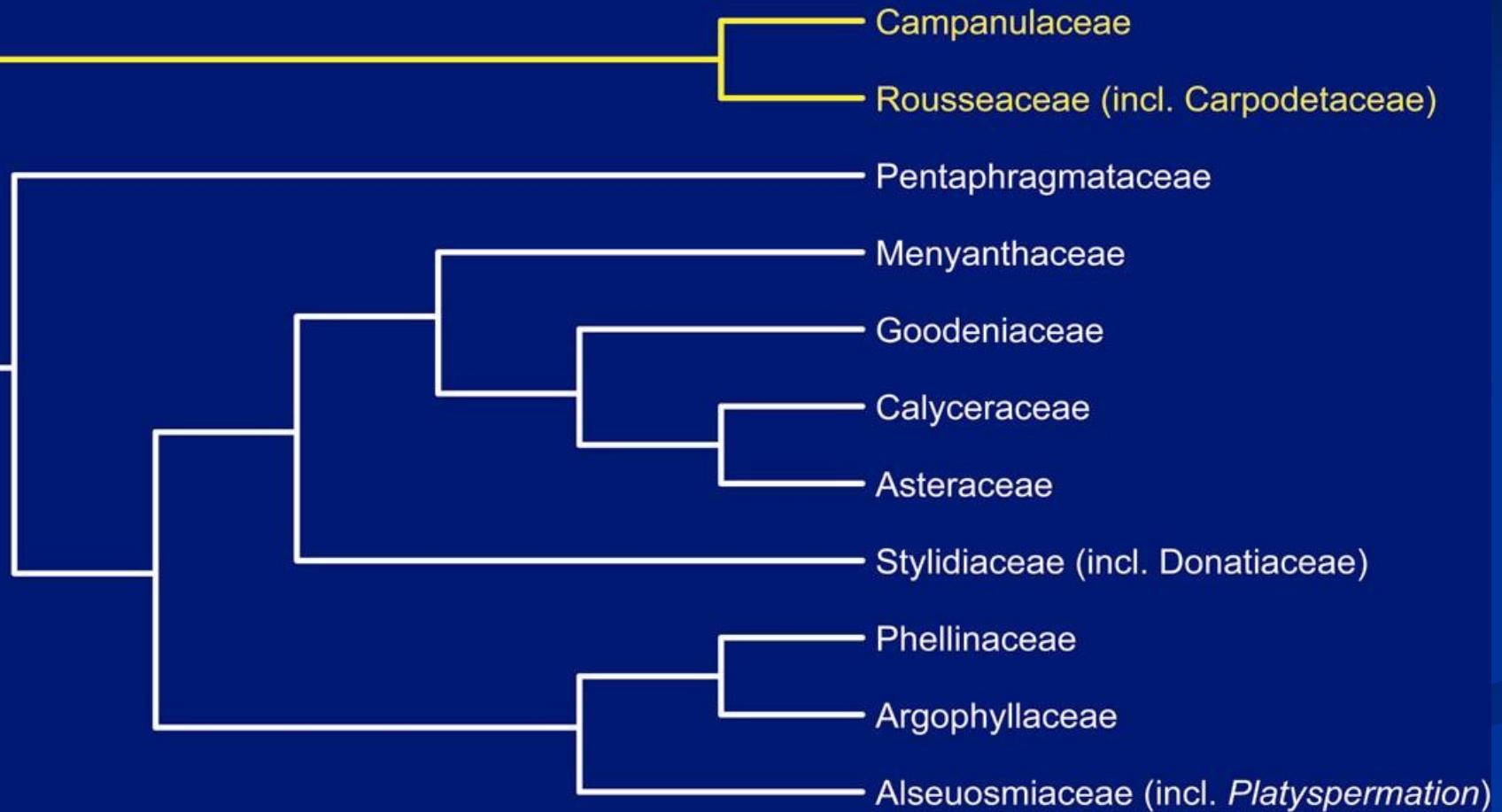
# 10 years ago...



# Today



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# Campanulaceae and Rousseaceae

*Cyphia*



*Nemacladus*



*Roussea*



*Cuttsia*



*Lobelia*



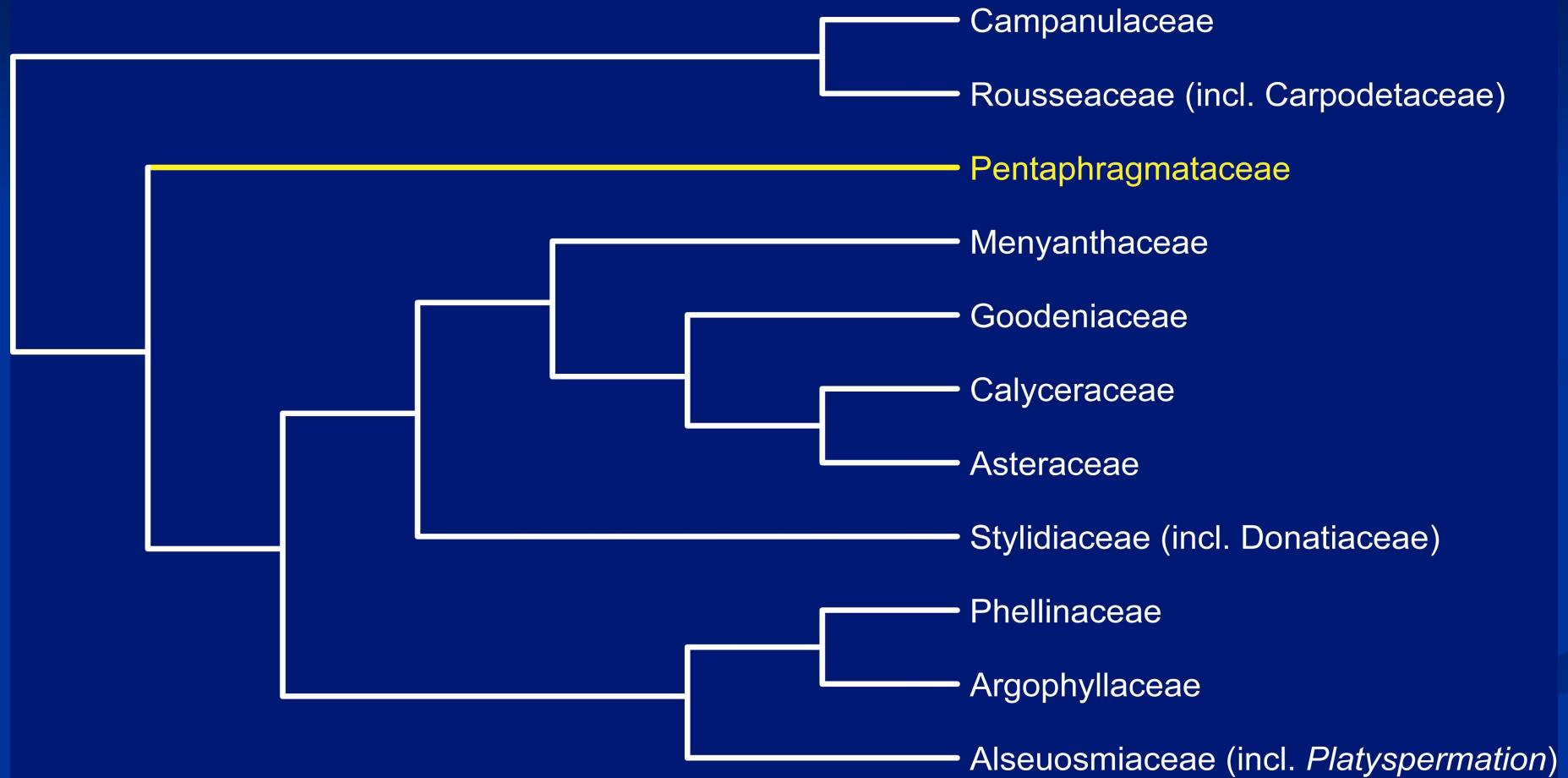
*Campanula*

# Rousseaceae



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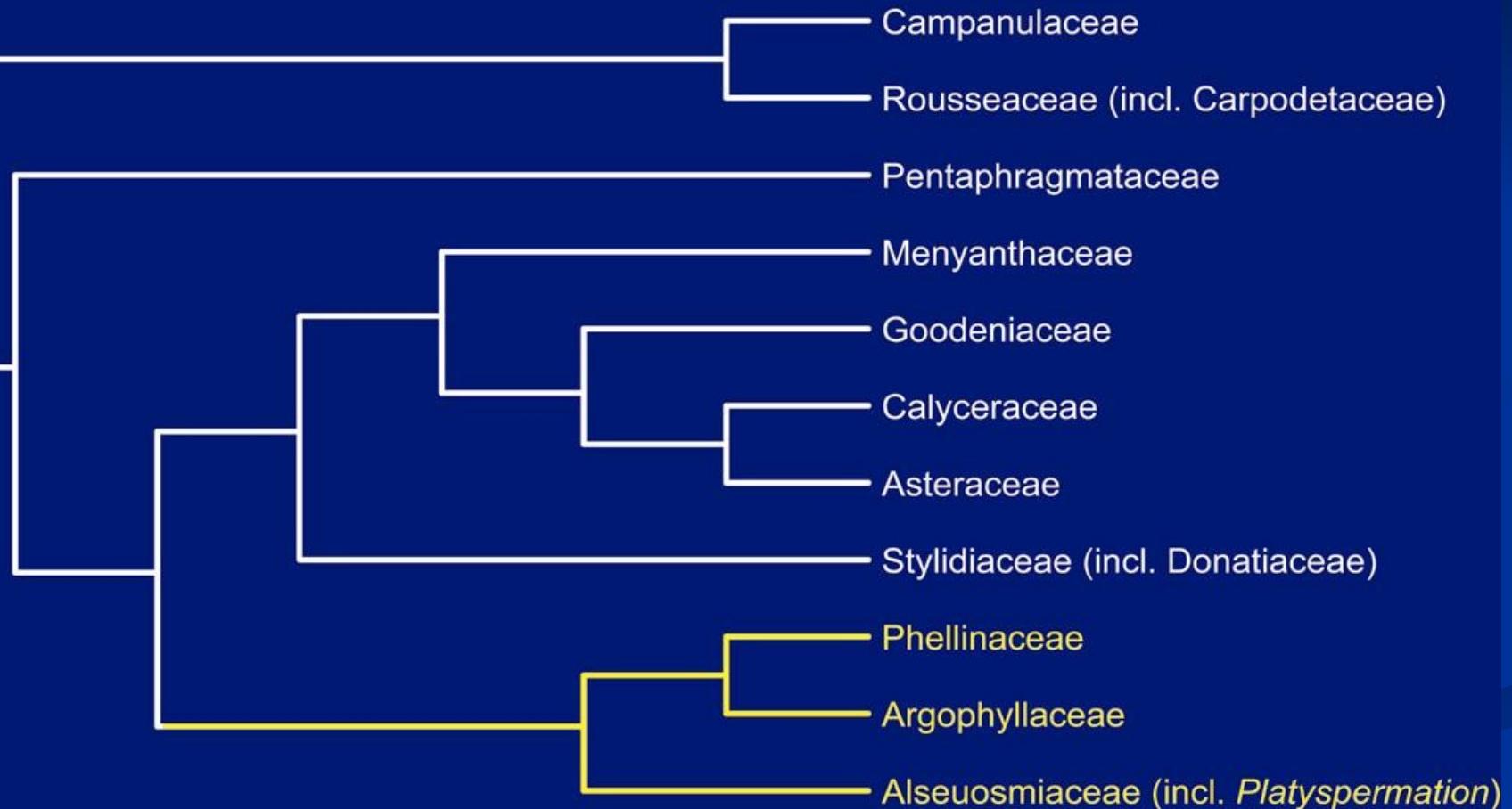
# Today



# *Pentaphragma*



# Today



# Phellinaceae et al.



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Four taxa

Phellinaceae (1 genus, 10 spp, New Caledonia)

Alseuosmiaceae (4 genera, 9 spp, W Pacific)

Argophyllaceae (2 genera, 22 spp, W Pacific)

*Platyspermation* (1 sp, New Caledonia)

Only low support...

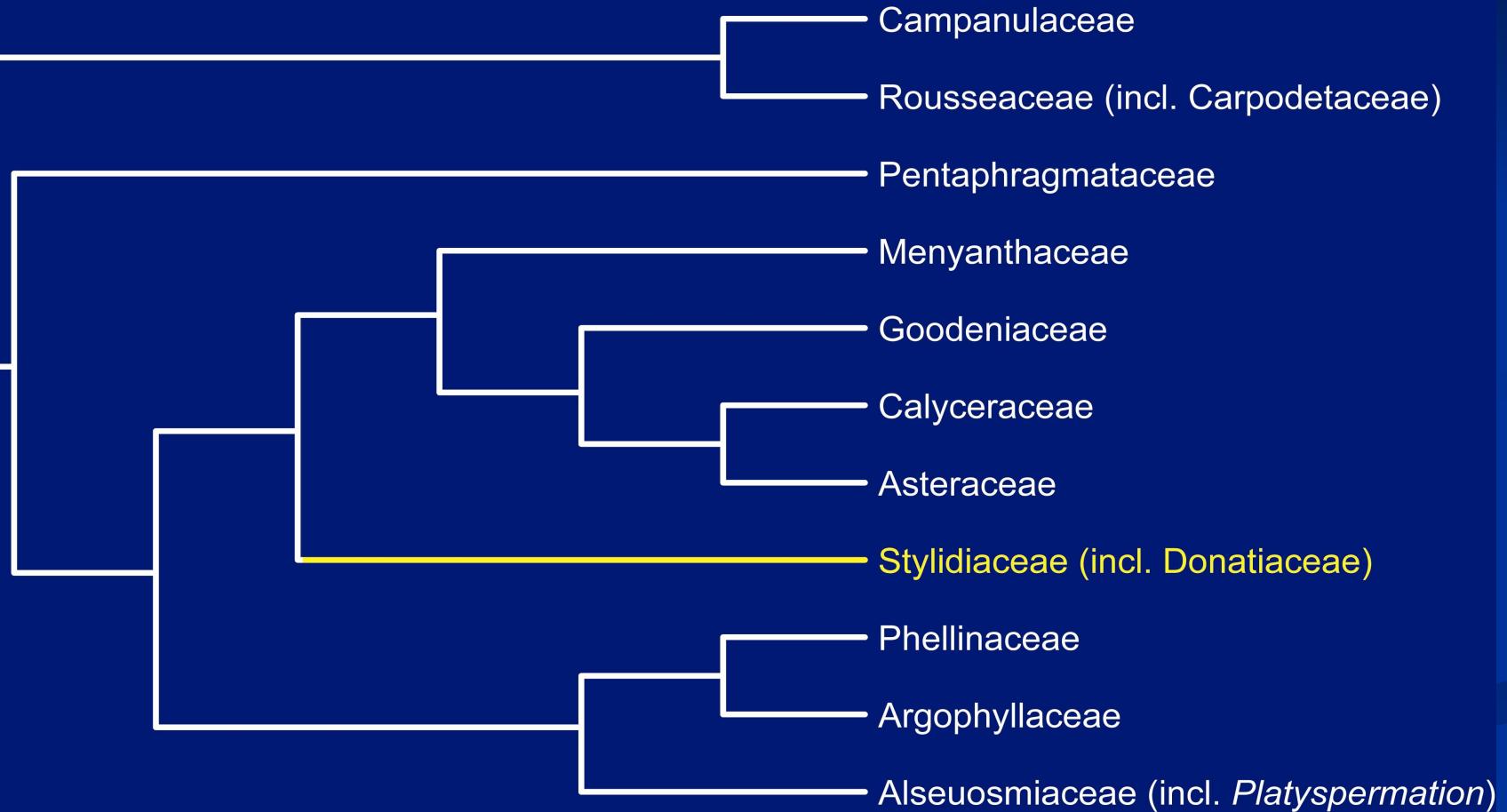
Synapomorphies? (Poorly known  
(-))

# *Platyspermum crassifolium*



Bernard Suprin©

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# Styliidiaceae

2 subfamilies:

Donatioideae (1 genus, 2 spp, S SAm, NZ, Tasmania)

Stylidioideae (4 genera, 170 spp, Pacific)

Several morphological synapomorphies:

Unilacunar nodes

Petals imbricate in bud

Extrastaminal floral nectaries

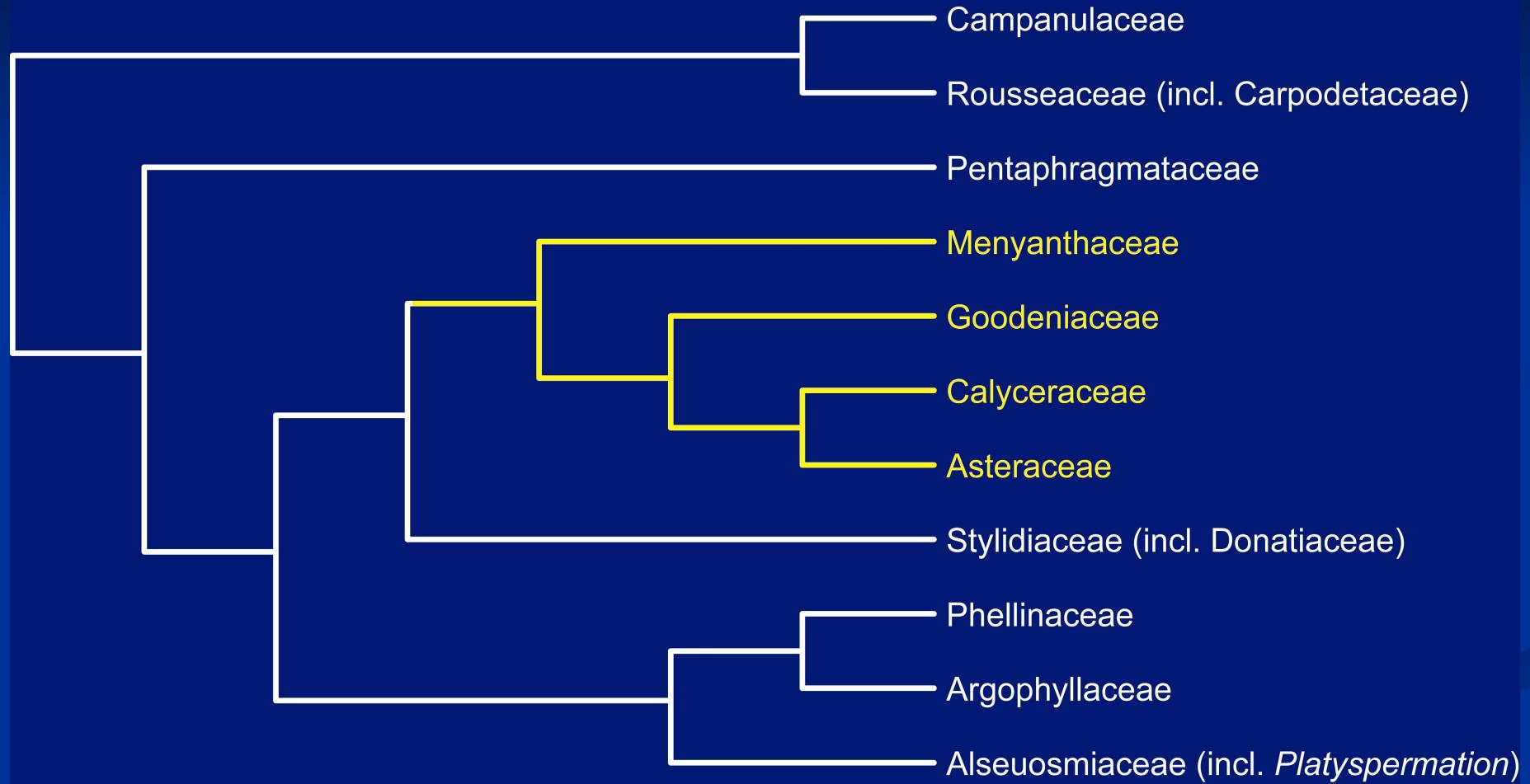
Few stamens (2-3)

Extrorse anthers



*Styliodium, cf. junceum*  
Little Grove, W.A.  
Nov. 2004

# Today





Asteraceae



Calyceraceae



Goodeniaceae



Menyanthaceae



Menyanthaceae



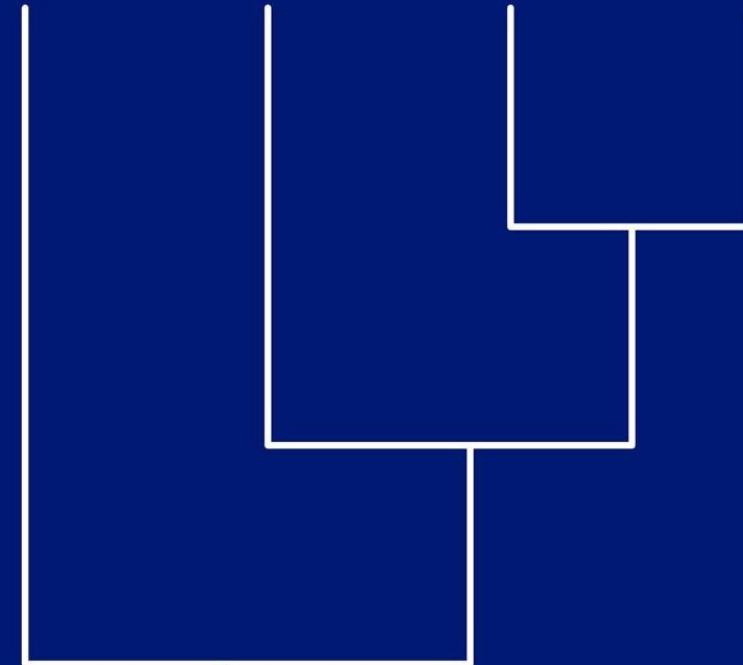
Goodeniaceae



Calyceraceae



Asteraceae



⊕ micropylar endosperm haustoria absent  
⊕ thick integument



Menyanthaceae



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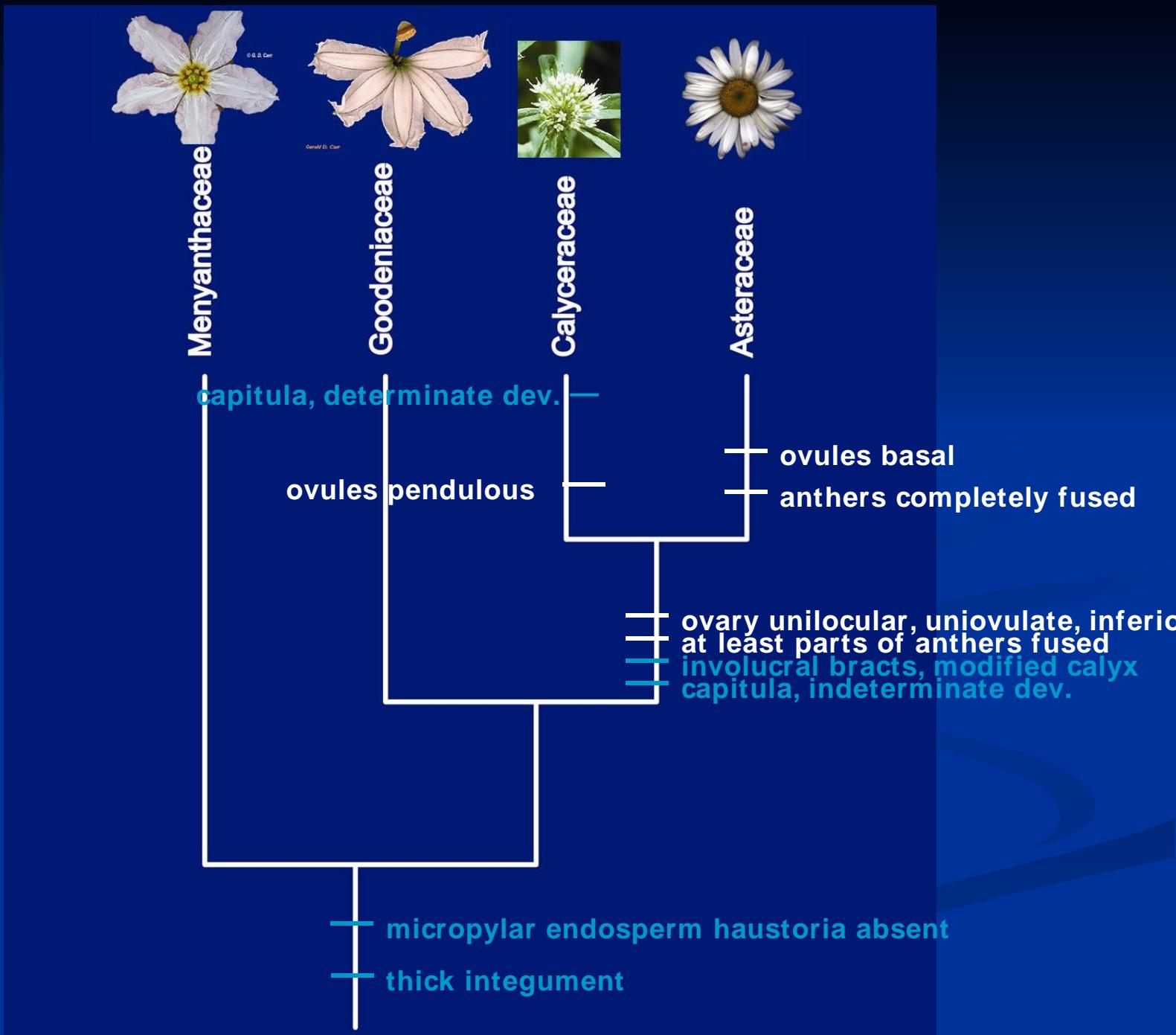
Asteraceae

capitula, determinate dev.

involucral bracts, modified calyx  
capitula, indeterminate dev.

micropylar endosperm haustoria absent

thick integument





Menyanthaceae



Goodeniaceae



Calyceraceae



Asteraceae

capitula, determinate dev.

ovules pendulous

ovules basal

anthers completely fused

intercolpar concavities?

ovary unilocular, uniovulate, inferior

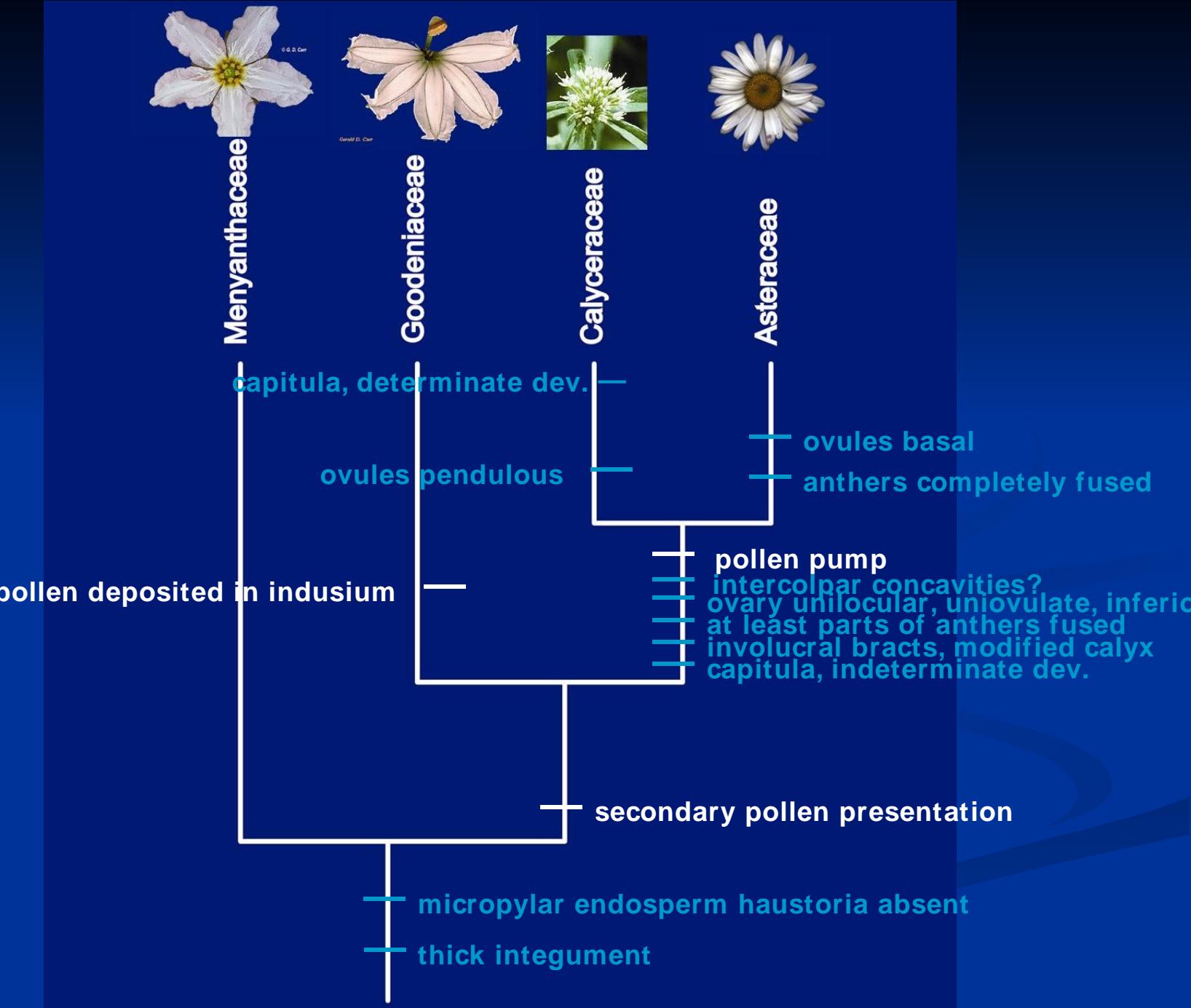
at least parts of anthers fused

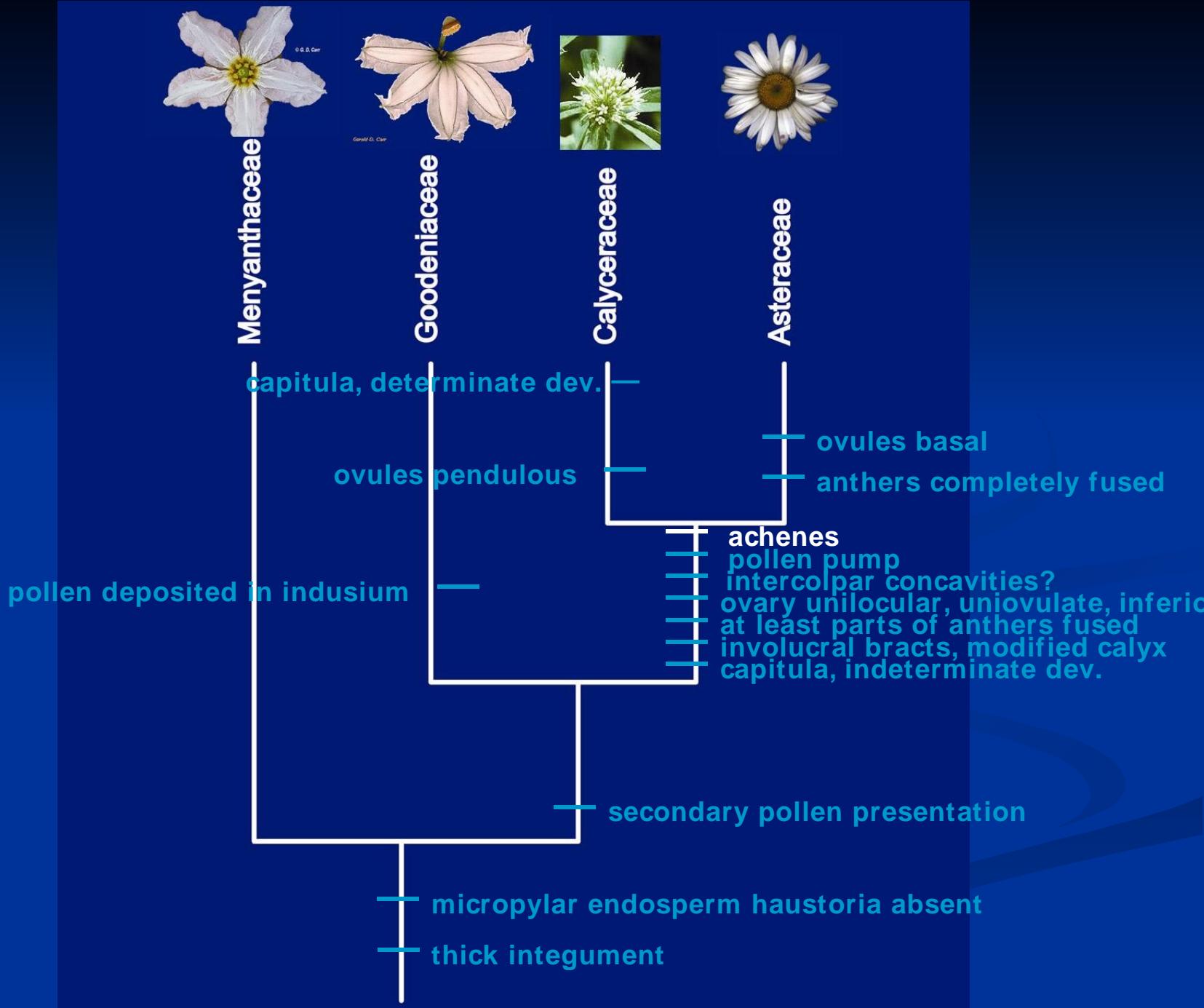
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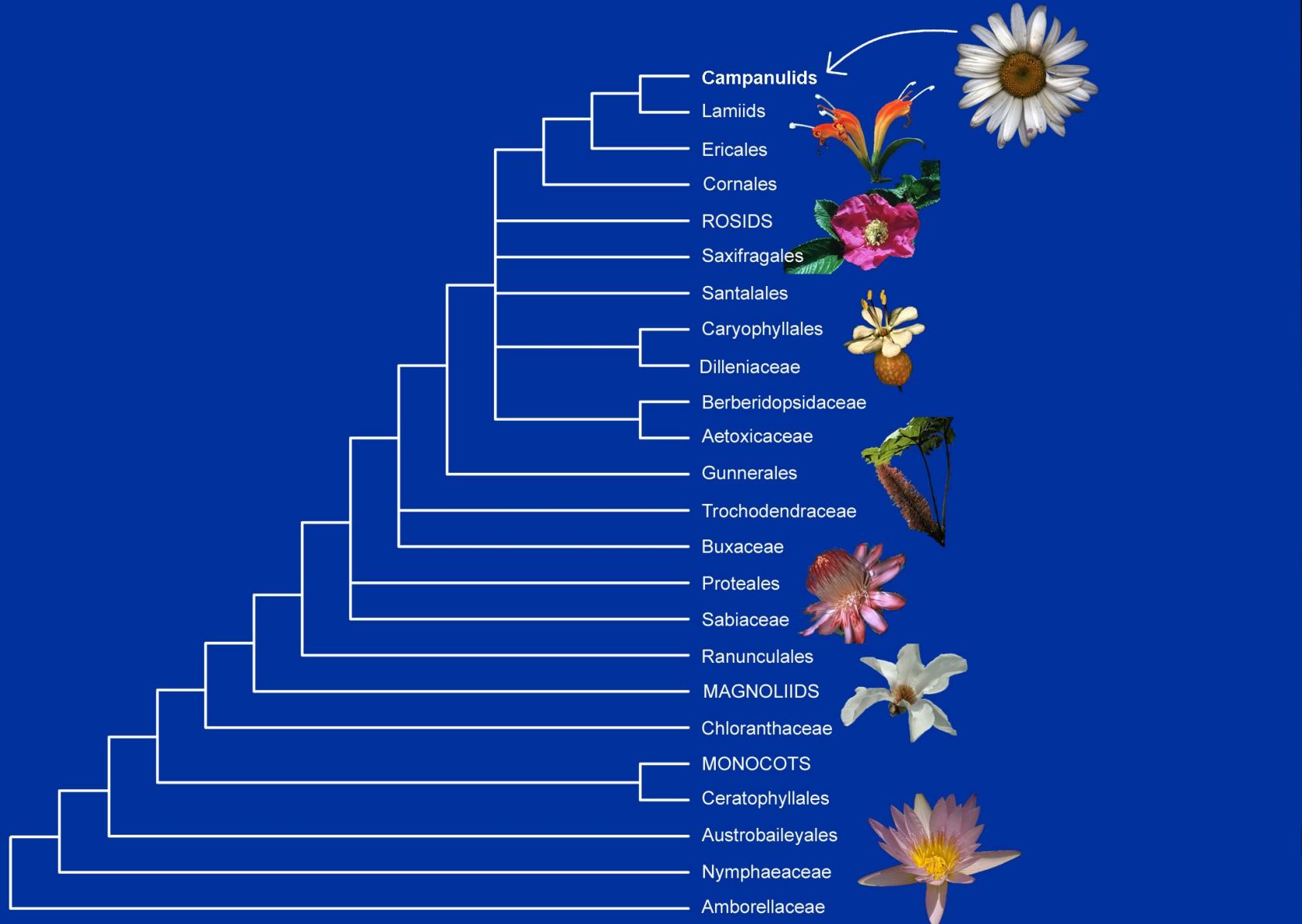


# Asterales – an outward view

Asterales is well defined...

...but what is its sister-group???

To be found in the campanulids!



# Campanulids

4 orders:

Aquifoliales

Apiales

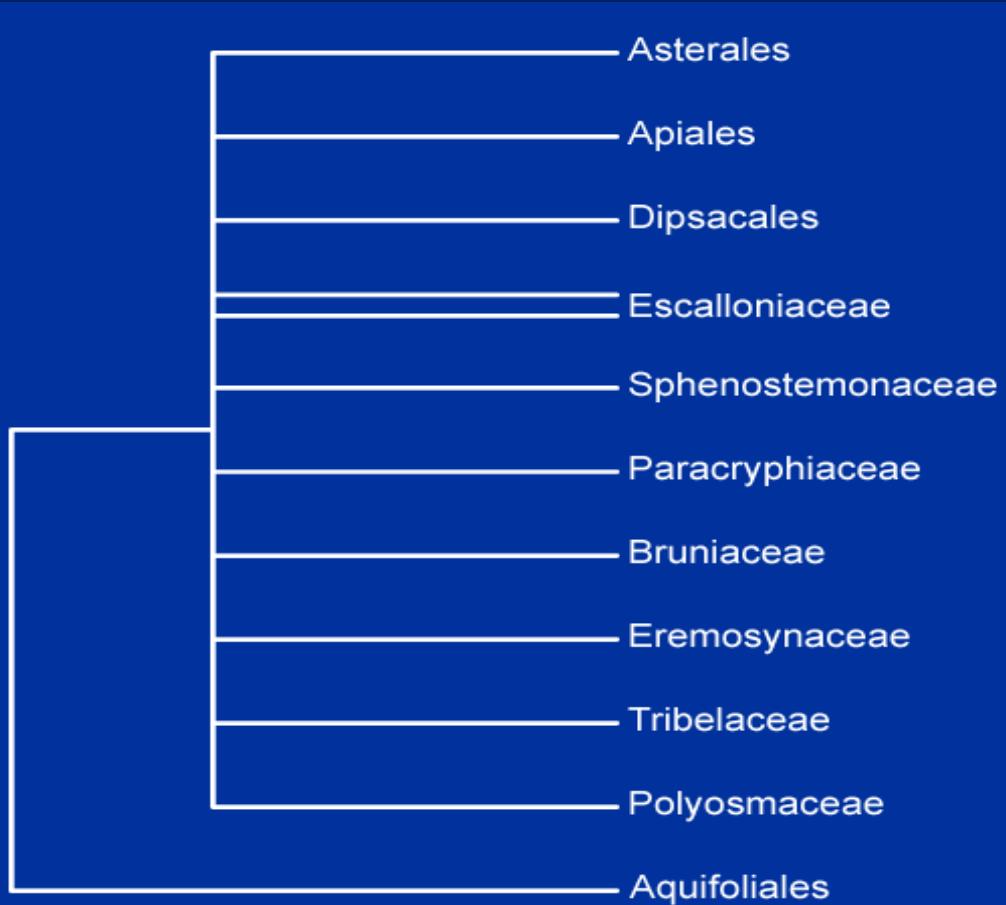
Dipsacales

Asterales

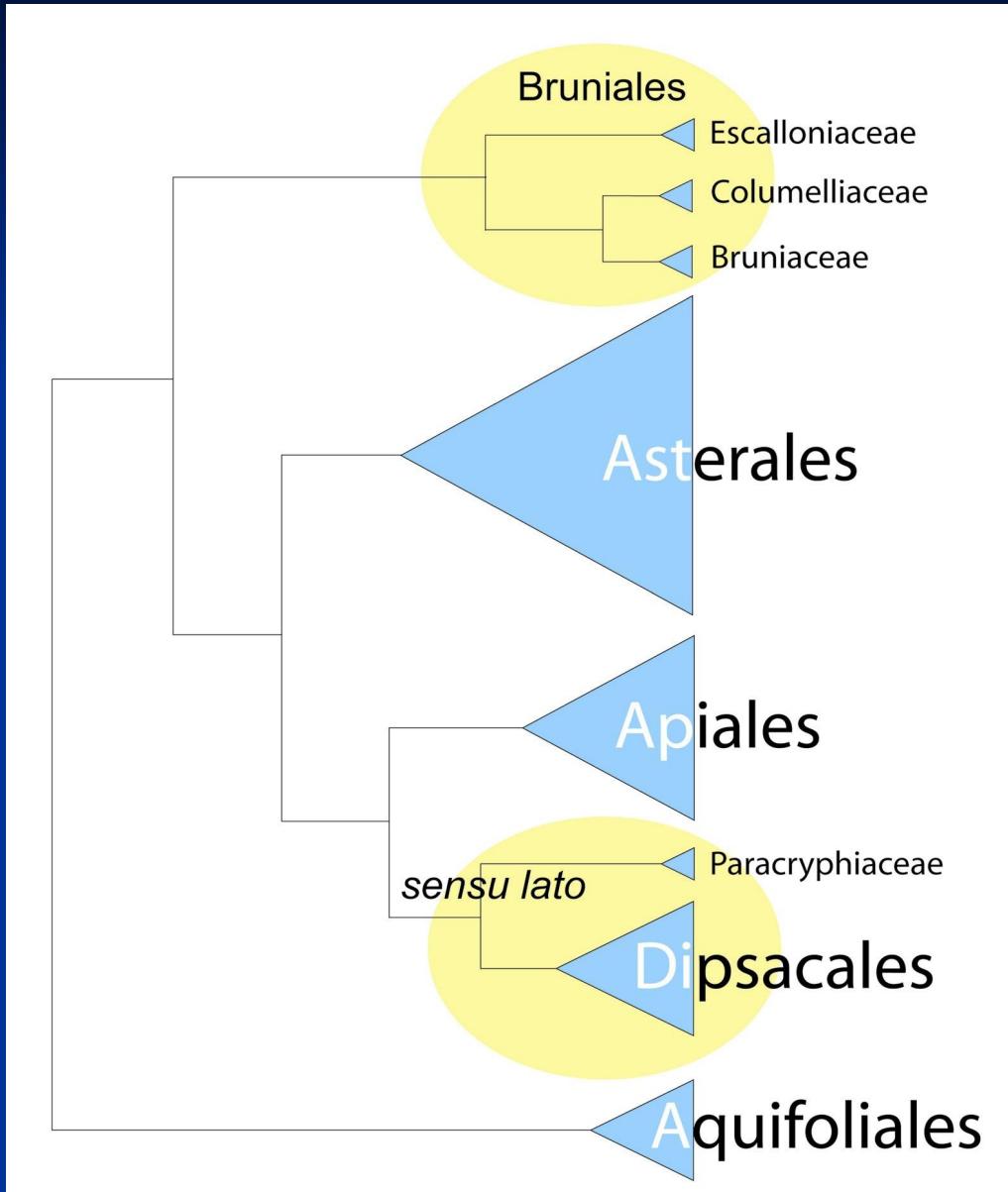
Several poorly known families unplaced as to order



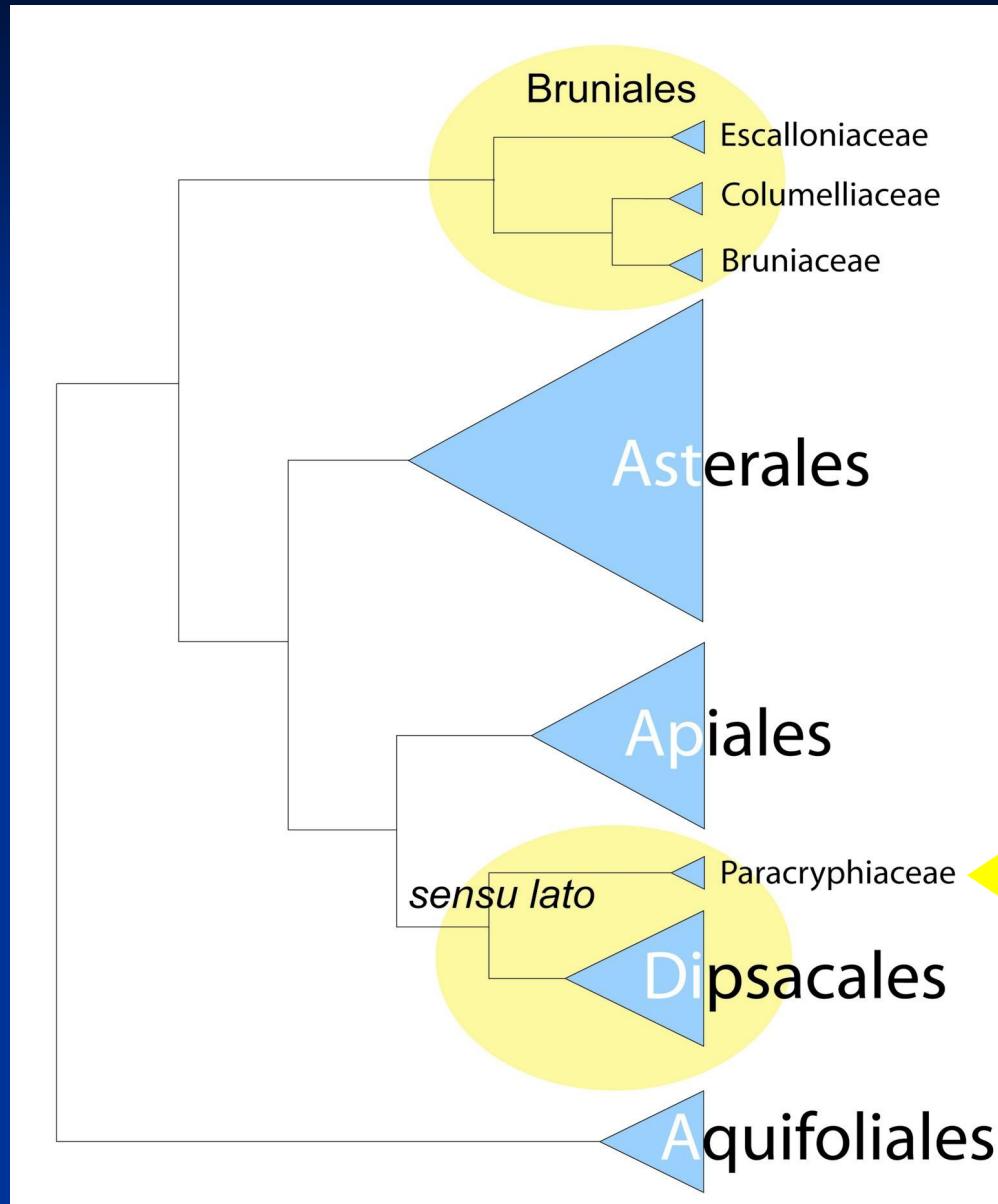
# Campanulids (euasterids II) recently...



# Today!



# Today!



# Paracryphiaceae

3 genera:

*Paracryphia* (1 sp, New Caledonia)

*Quintinia* (25 spp, C Mal to Austr, NC, NZ)

*Sphenostemon* (c 7 spp, C Mal to trop Austr & NZ)



*Paracryphia*



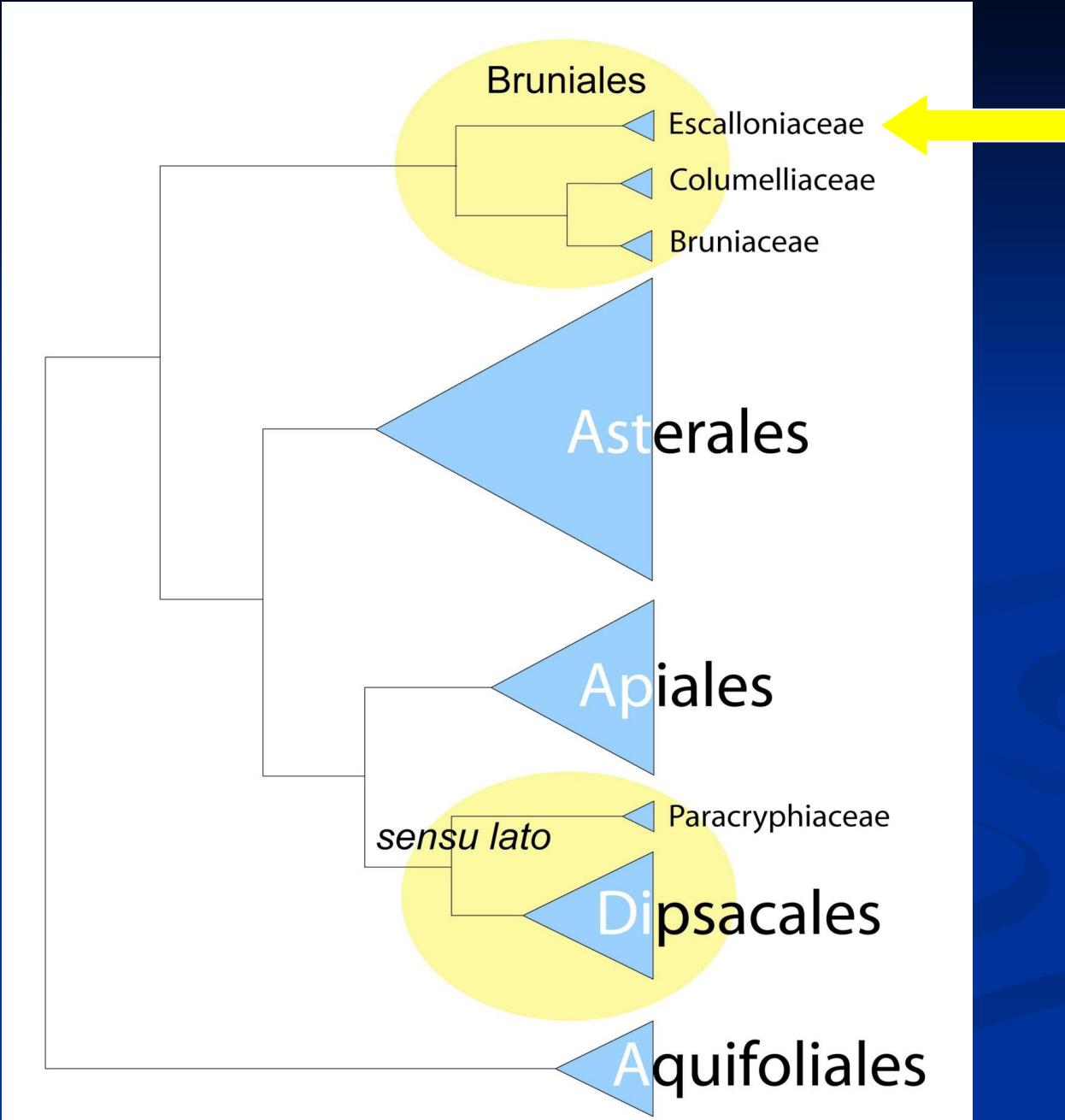
*Quintinia*



*Sphenostemon*

# Paracryphiaceae





# Escalloniaceae

*Polyosma*



*Valdivia*



*Escallonia*



*Anopterus*



*Forgesia*

# Some remaining problems

Asterales:

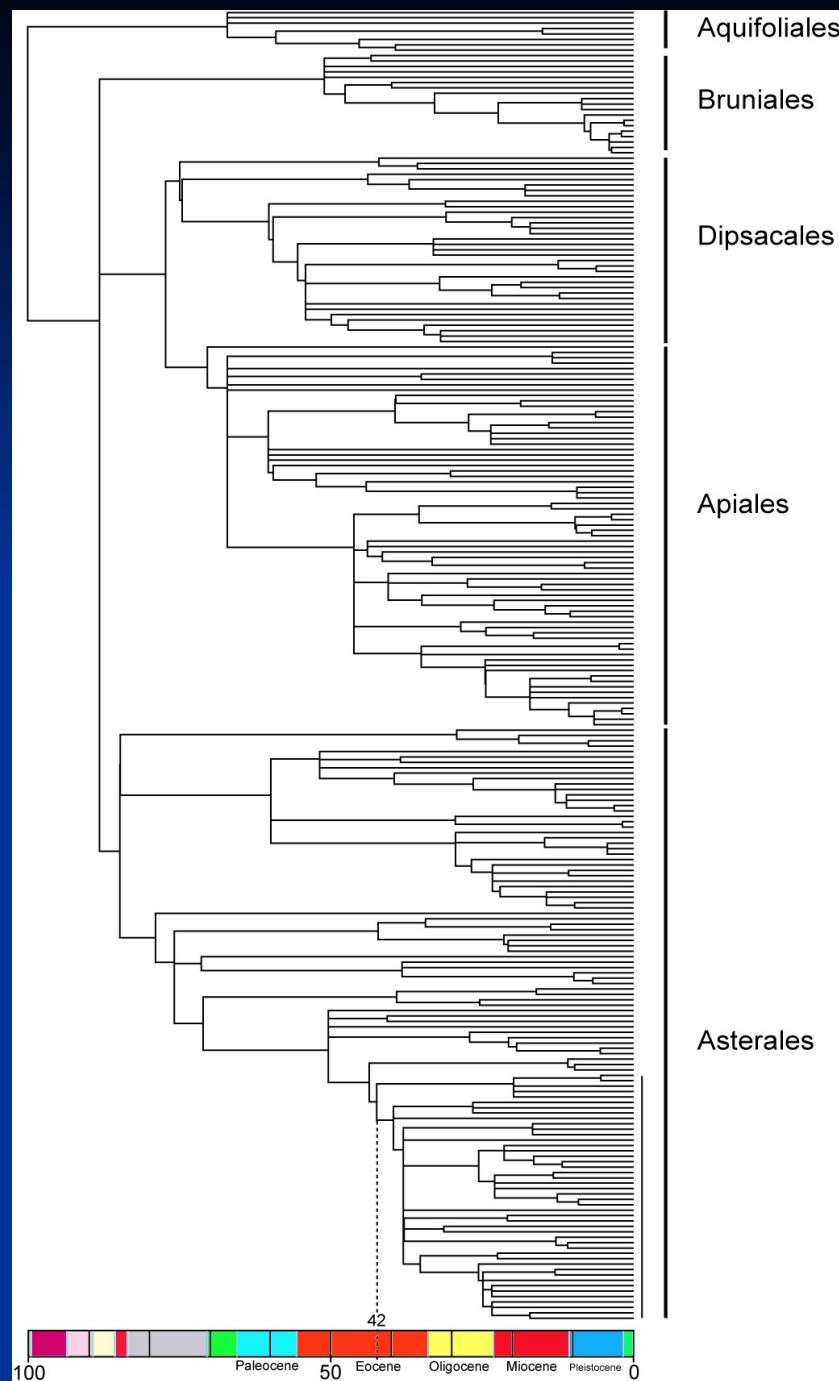
Position of Stylidiaceae

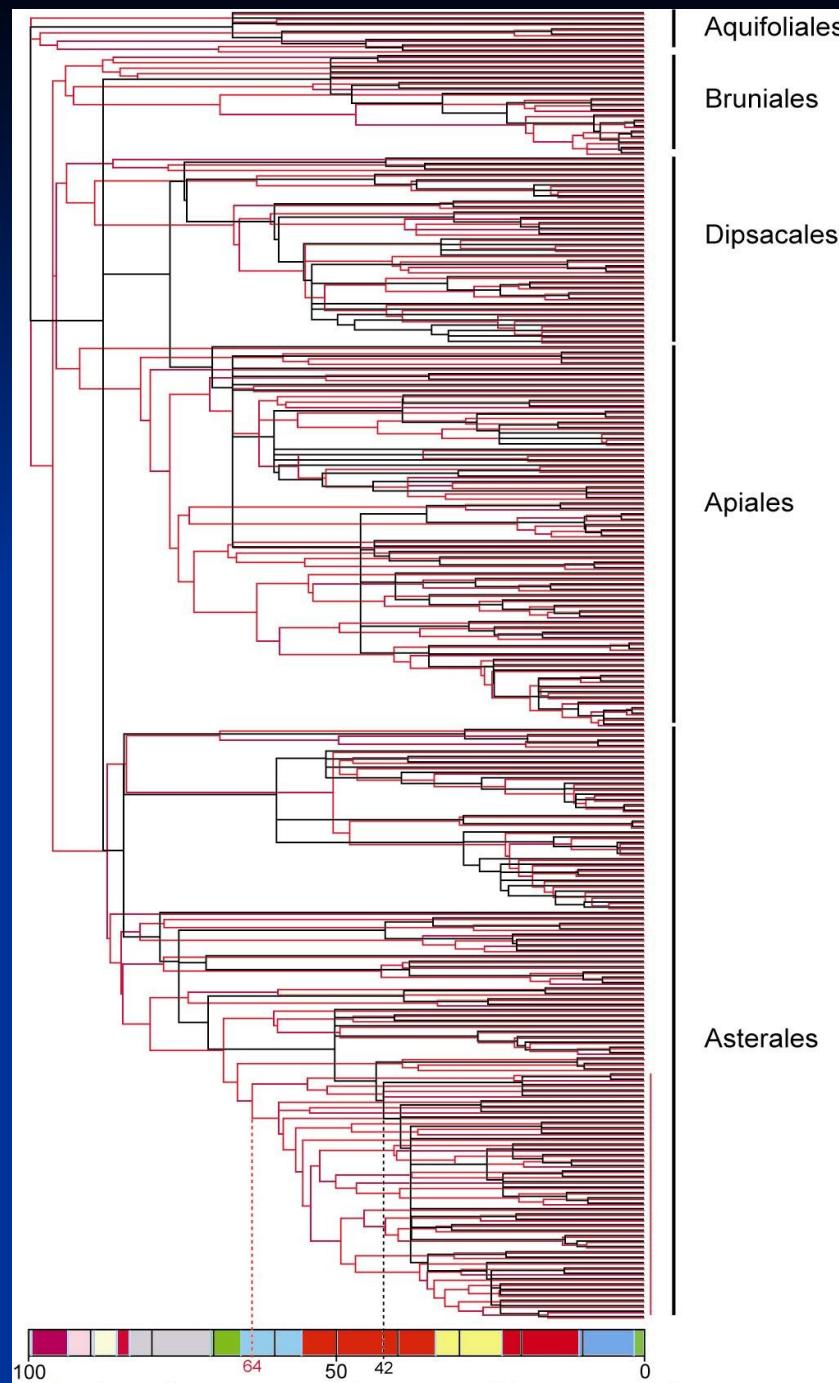
Campanulids:

Paraphyly of *Escallonia* (and other genera?)

Increased confidence in the early  
branching events

Reliable datings (and biogeography)





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