

# US EPA BENTHIC HABS DISCUSSION GROUP WEBINAR

October 17, 2023, 9:00am – 10:30am Pacific Daylight Time



## GUEST SPEAKERS:

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# I. AGENDA

- I **Welcome, Agenda Overview, Announcements, and Introductions**  
*Keith Bouma-Gregson, Margaret Spoo-Chupka, and Eric Zimdars*
  
- II **Presentation: Benthic Cyanobacteria in Zion's National Park: Insight Using Omics Tools.**  
*Guest Speaker – Ramesh Goel*
  
- III **Presentation: *Phormidium* and Beyond – Practical Taxonomy of Filamentous Cyanobacteria**  
*Guest Speaker – Otakar Strunecky*
  
- IV **Wrap Up**  
*Facilitators & Benthic HAB members*



# I. INTRODUCTIONS

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# I. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Upcoming Meetings
- Recent Papers
  - Bauer, Franziska, et al. "Occurrence, Distribution and Toxins of Benthic Cyanobacteria in German Lakes." *Toxics* 11.8 (2023): 643.
  - McCarron, Pearse, et al. "Anatoxins from benthic cyanobacteria responsible for dog mortalities in New Brunswick, Canada." *Toxicon* 227 (2023): 107086.
  - Junier, Pilar, et al. "A ubiquitous *Microcoleus* species causes benthic cyanotoxic blooms worldwide." *bioRxiv* (2023): 2023-10.



ITEM II

**GUEST PRESENTATION: BENTHIC  
CYANOBACTERIA IN ZION'S NATIONAL PARK:  
INSIGHT USING OMICS TOOLS**

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# Benthic Cyanobacteria in Zion's National Park: Insight using omics tools.

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October 17, 2023

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Funding: NSF's Rule of Life Genotype



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# Planktonic versus Benthic

The planktonic cyanobacteria have the ability to regulate buoyancy in response to changing environmental conditions with the help of gas vacuoles

Community composition changes according to nutrient availability. Can move in the water column to combat nutrient stresses.

In general, planktonic cyanobacteria are well studied ranging from community composition to nutrient limitations.



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Forms in thalweg (high velocity) and edges (low velocity)

Thick mats often experience diffusional limitations creating nutrient limited environments inside thick mats.

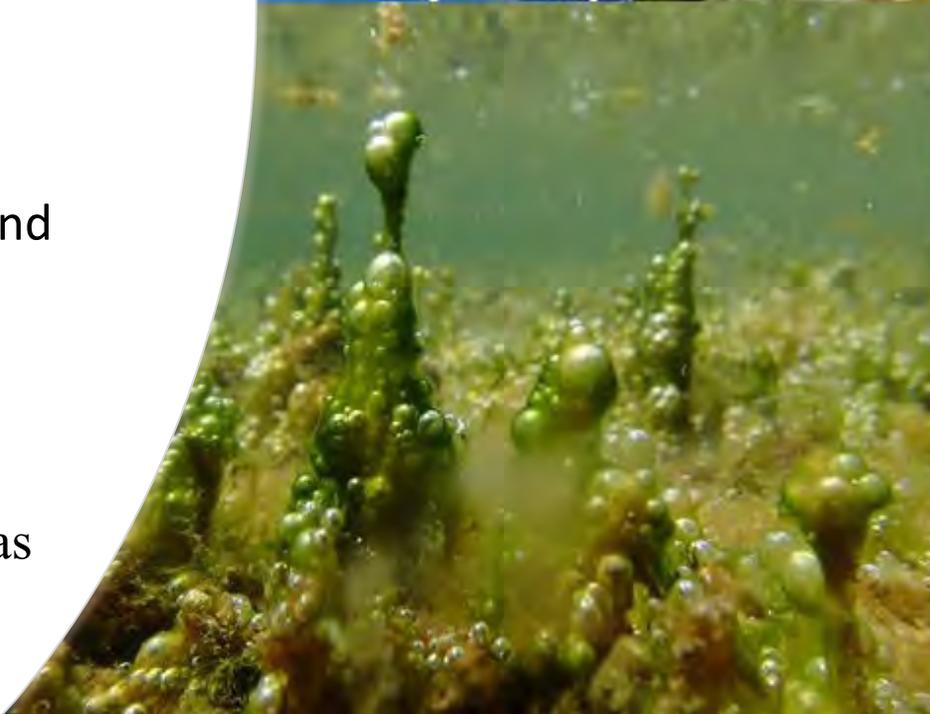
Can exhibit special gene expressions to combat environmental stresses.

N-fixer and non-fixers can co-exist in a single mat. Also, toxic and non-toxic genotypes co-exist in single mats.



## Benthic Cyanobacterial Toxic Mats

- Different habitats including wetlands, littoral zones, shallow lakes, rivers and streams
- Temperature, nutrients, stream velocity, turbidity, and other factors.
- *Anabaena*, *Phormidium*, *Microcoleus Oscillatoria*, *Lyngbya* (now reclassified as *Microseira* and *Nodularia*,



# Few Characteristics

- Mats produce a variety of toxins with Anatoxin being the most common one.
- Thick mats are often times a continuous source of toxins in flowing waters.
- Toxic and non-toxic cyanobacteria could co-exist in mats
- Cyanobacteria, other heterotrophs, and other phytoplankton co-exist in mats.
- Mats could form on a variety of substrates
- N-fixers and non-fixers could co-exist in mats
- Benthic cyanobacteria could employ a variety of physical and genomic strategies to acquire nutrients.



# *Microcoleus* as a benthic Cyanobacteria

Previous research in rivers around the globe (e.g., northern California, New Zealand, Switzerland, and more) has shown that *Microcoleus* benthic mats form on different substrates (e.g., sand, gravels) and are present in both the thalweg (i.e., high flow velocity) and edges (i.e., low flow velocity) of wetted stream and river channels.

Results suggest that toxic and non-toxic genotypes of *Microcoleus* co-exist in benthic mats but environmental factors contributing to the relative distribution of these genotypes are not clearly understood.

Metabolically, toxic and non-toxic strains of *Microcoleus* are quite different in terms of nutrient and carbon metabolism (Tee et al., 2021)

Our genome analysis of *M. anatoxicus* from Russian River suggest that this species is a non-heterocytous cyanobacterium and lacks *nitrogenase* enzyme, but experiment data (not shown) showed it thrives without N-source in culturing medium.



*Different field Appearances of Microcoleus*

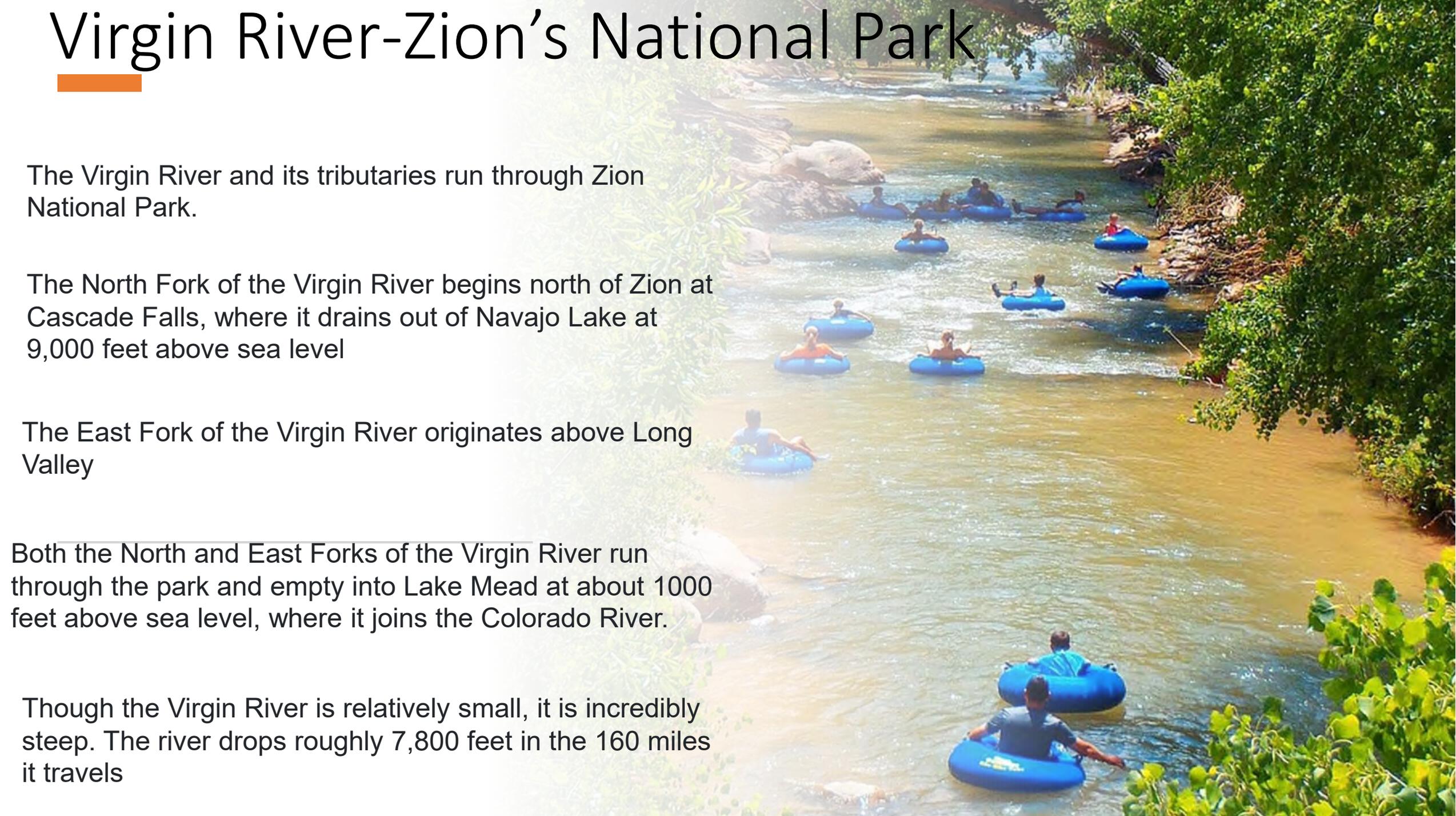


# Virgin River and Zion's

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# Virgin River-Zion's National Park



The Virgin River and its tributaries run through Zion National Park.

The North Fork of the Virgin River begins north of Zion at Cascade Falls, where it drains out of Navajo Lake at 9,000 feet above sea level

The East Fork of the Virgin River originates above Long Valley

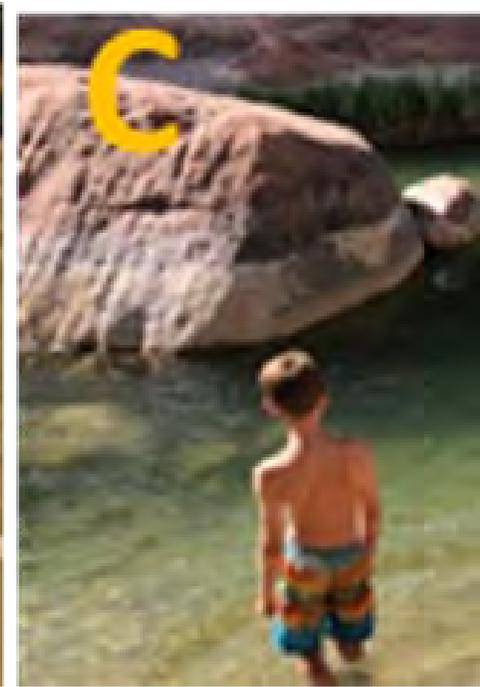
Both the North and East Forks of the Virgin River run through the park and empty into Lake Mead at about 1000 feet above sea level, where it joins the Colorado River.

Though the Virgin River is relatively small, it is incredibly steep. The river drops roughly 7,800 feet in the 160 miles it travels

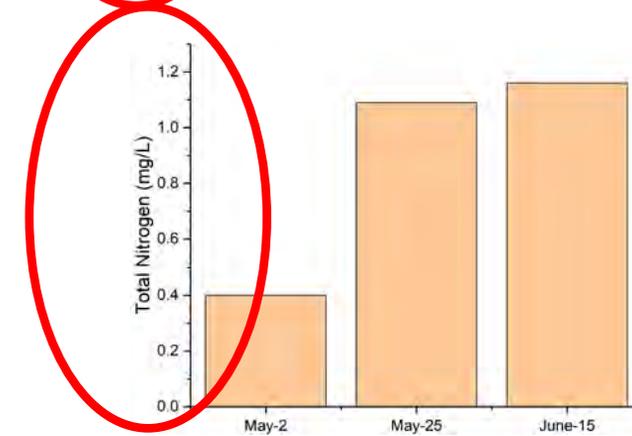
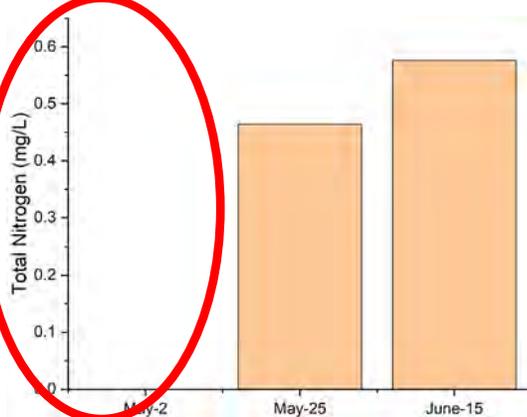
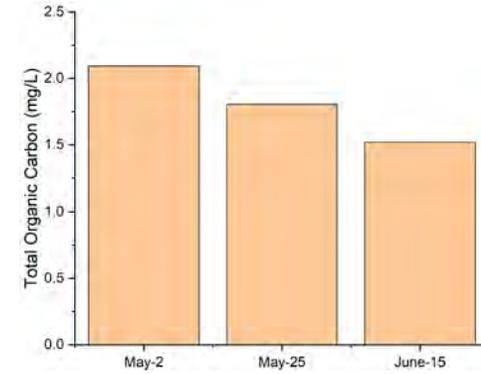
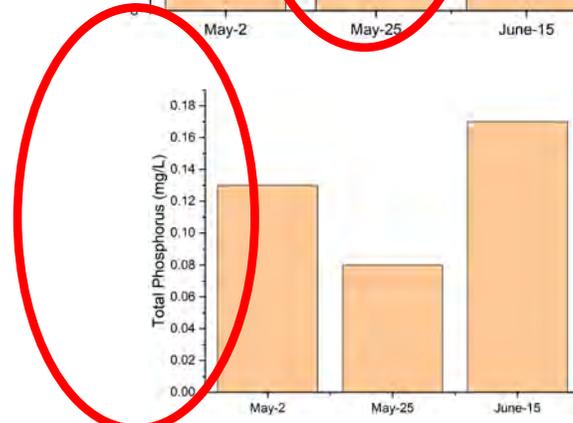
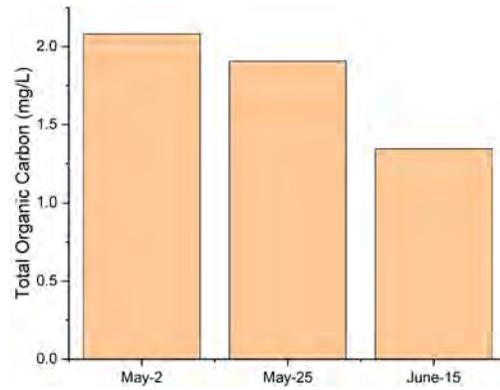
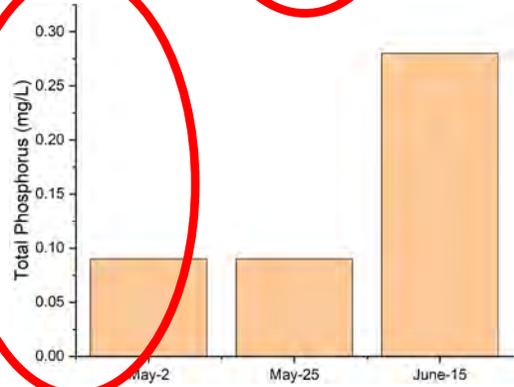
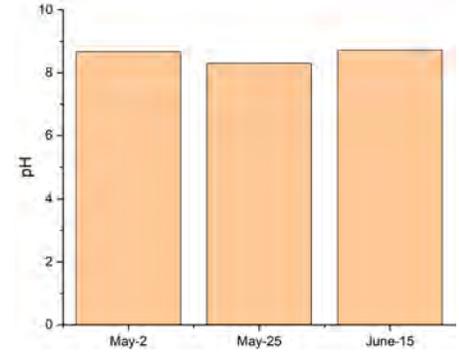
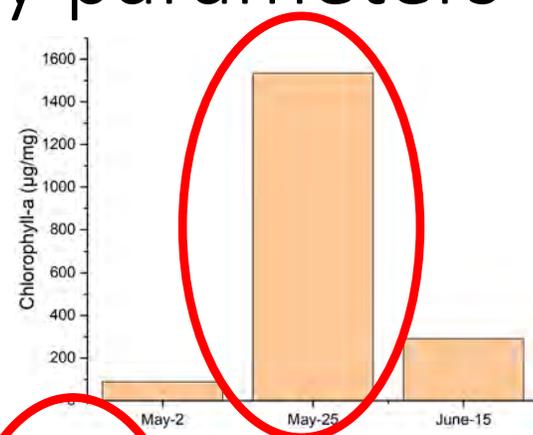
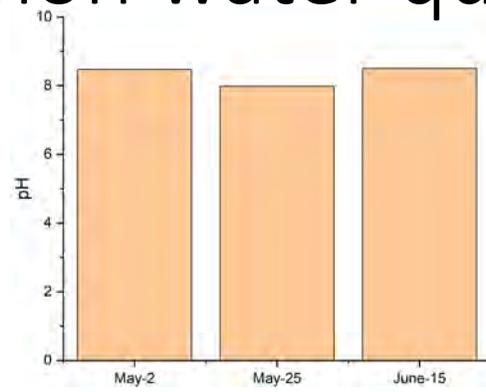
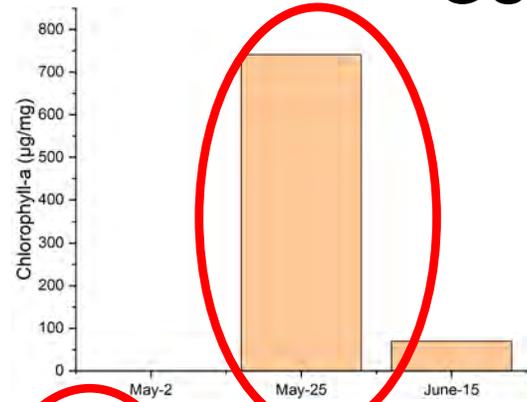
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# Benthic Outbreak in Zion's National Park

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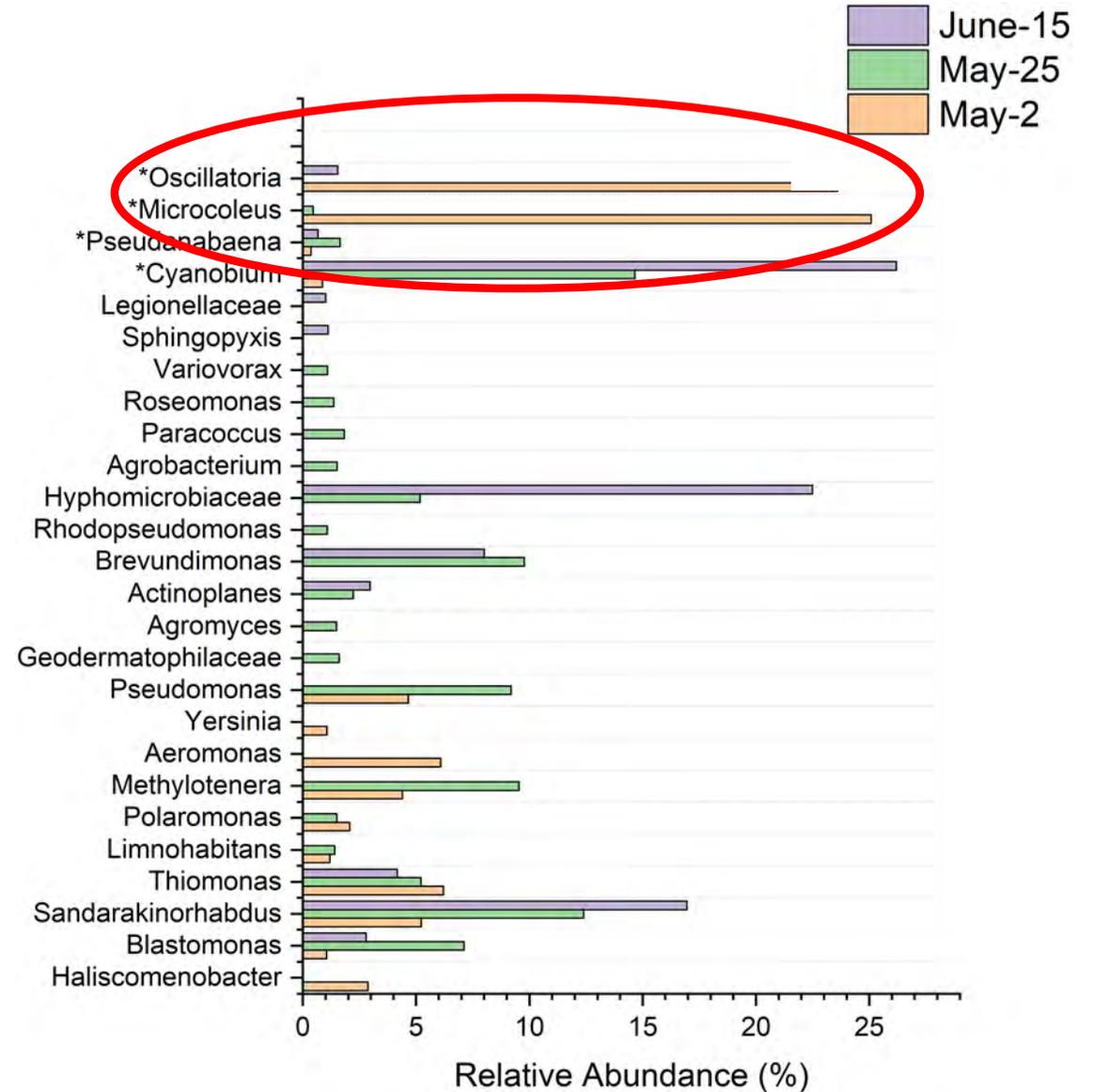
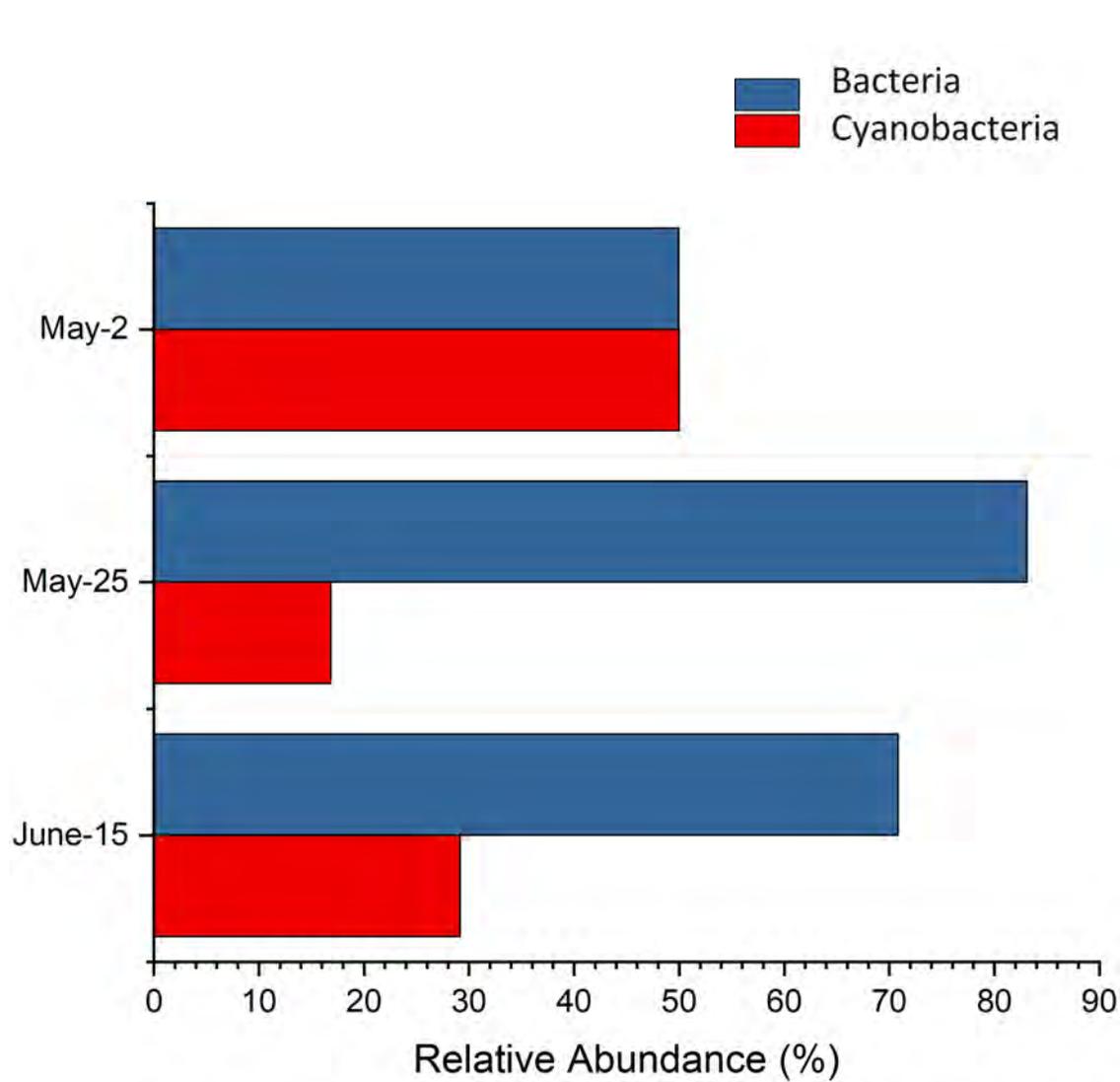
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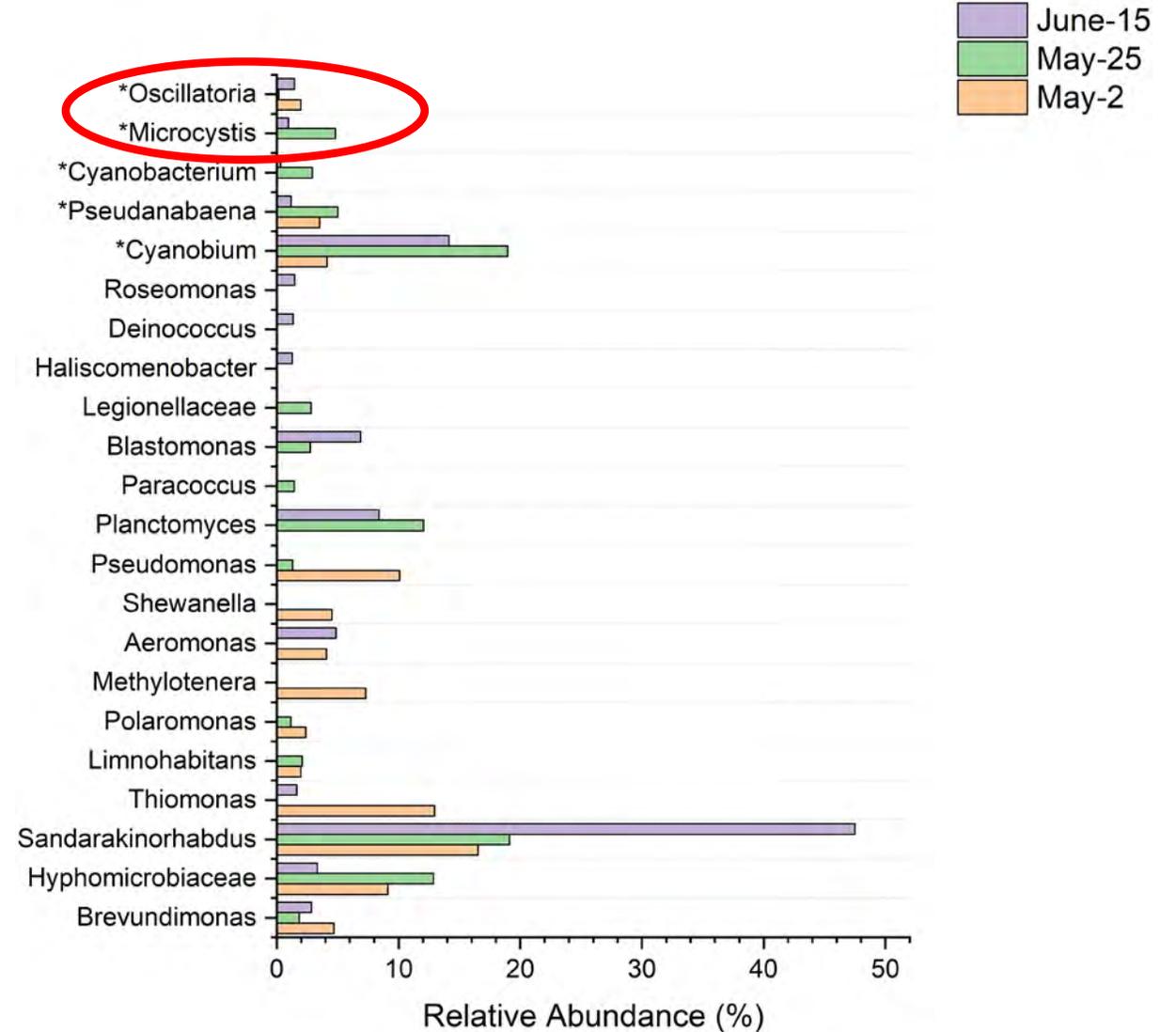
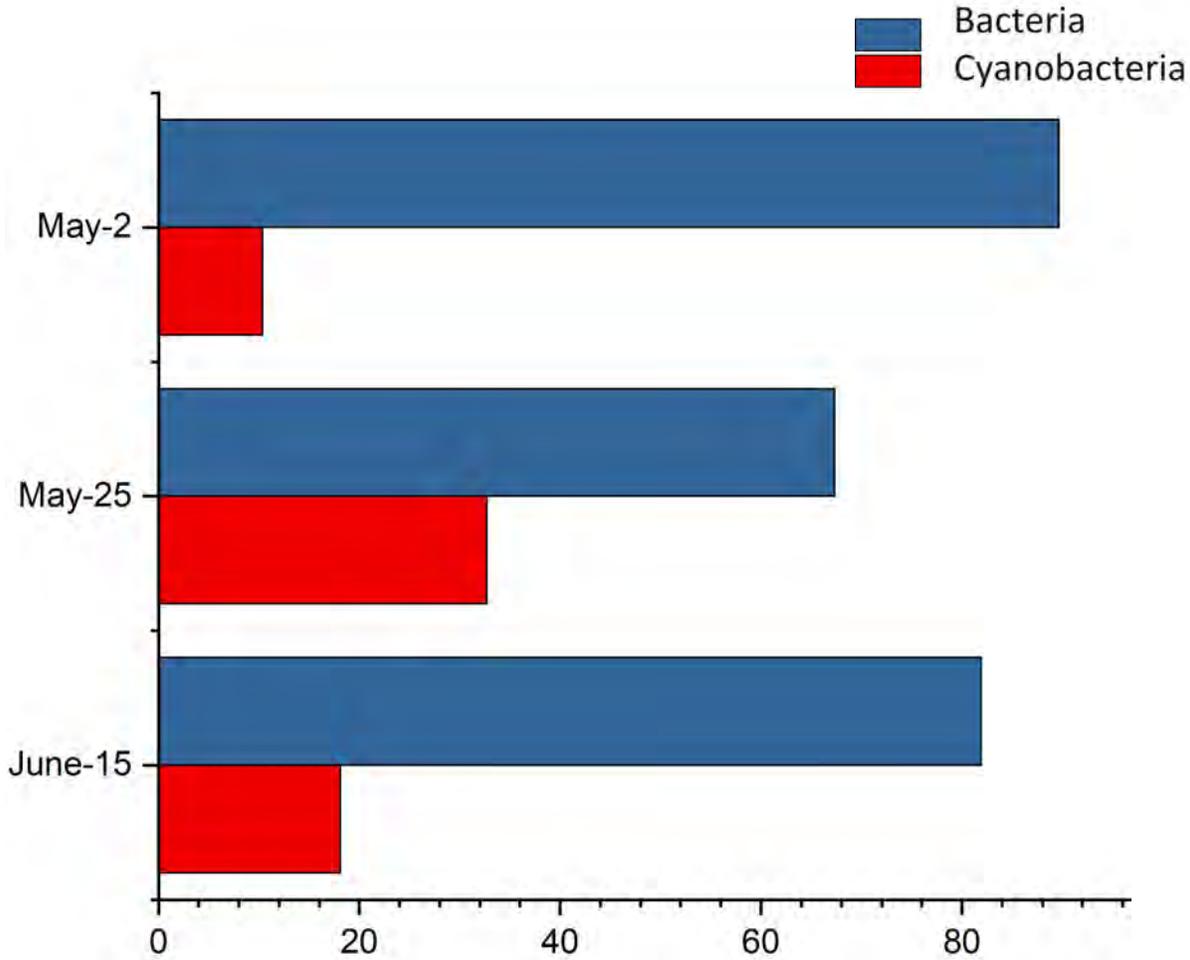
Visitor Center

North Creek

# Overall microbial community- Visitor Center



# Overall microbial community- North Creek



# Toxic and Non-toxic *Microcoleus* in Benthic Mats

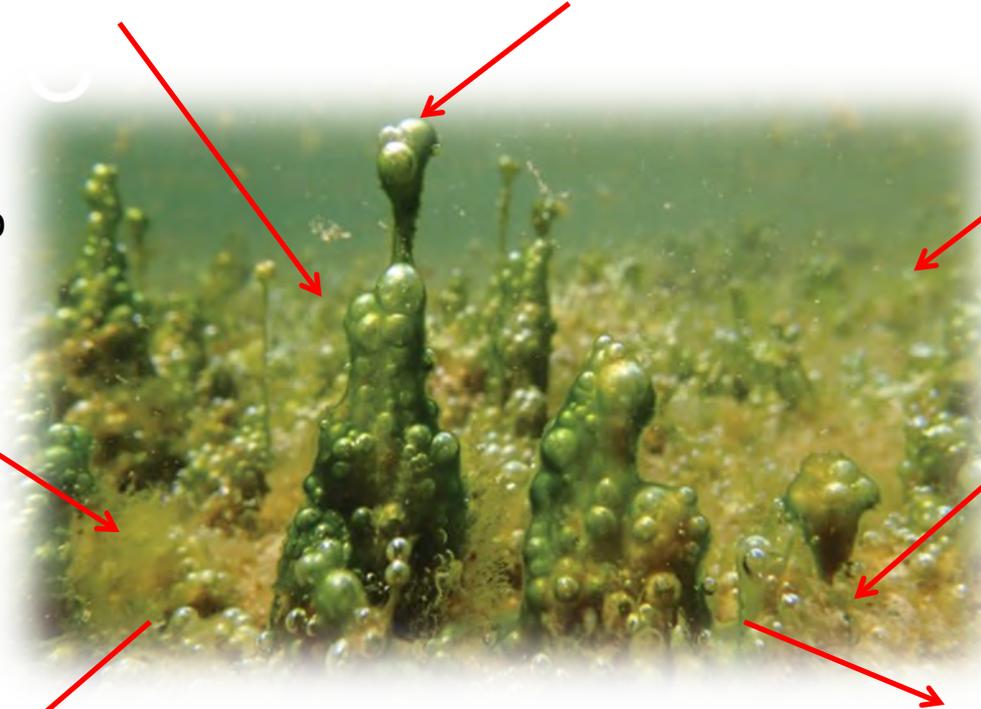
Toxic strains have smaller genome size and harbor fewer biosynthetic gene clusters and their non-toxic counterpart.

Filaments extends outside to capture settling P from the water column

Toxic strains have higher alkaline phosphatase activity than their non-toxic counterpart

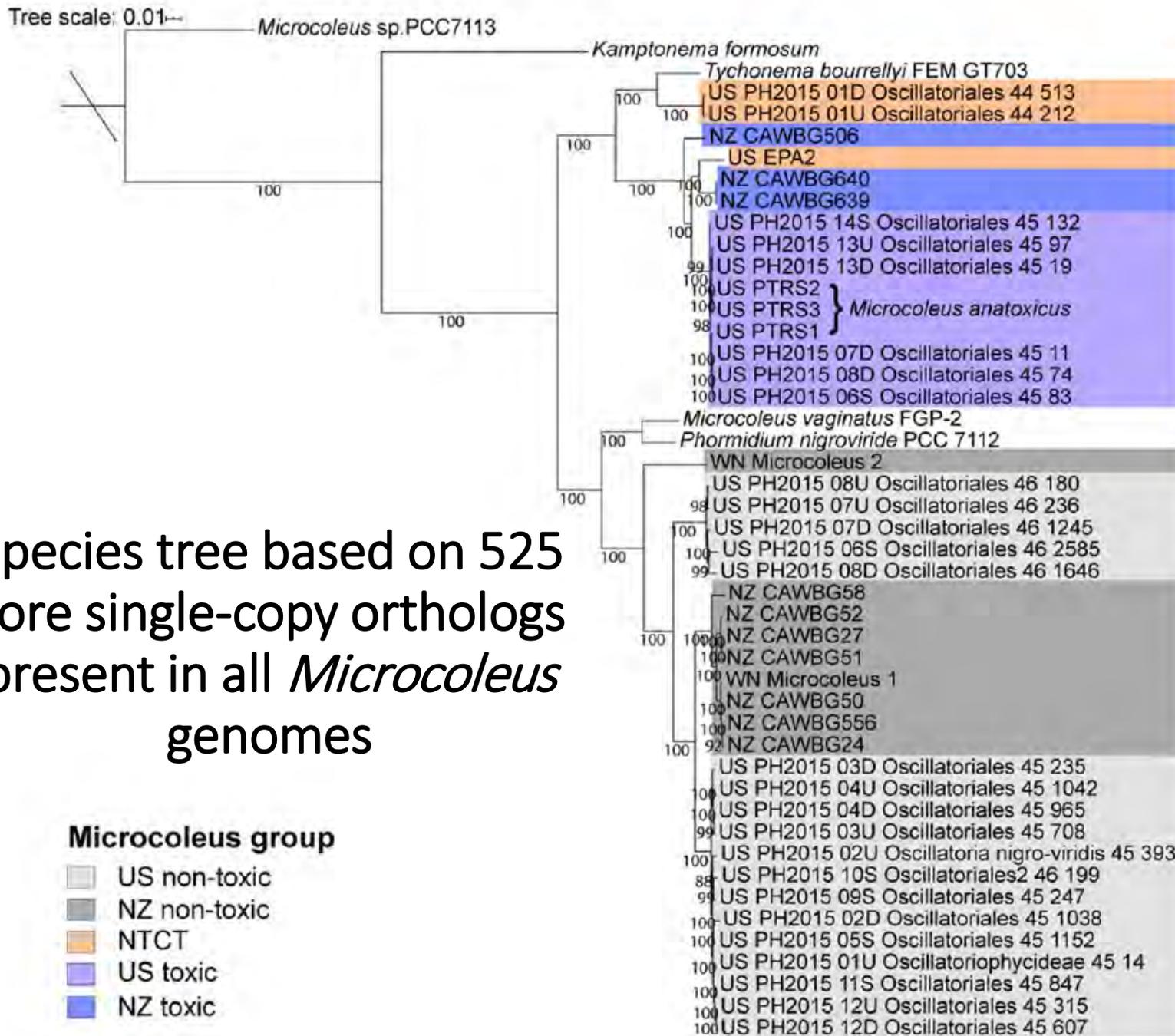
Non-toxic strains can synthesize sucrose and thiamine and take up alkanesulfonate as an alternative sulfur source.

Non-toxic strains have better biofilm formation capacity due to higher growth rates and higher energy metabolism.



Toxic strains proliferate in nitrogen rich environment because they harbor an extra nitrate/sulfonate transport system

Microcoleus can do nitrogen assimilation using cyanophycin synthesis and catabolism by CphAB, which functions as temporary nitrogen/carbon storage. Non-toxic strains have an extra cyanophycin gene cluster making them tolerable to N fluctuations

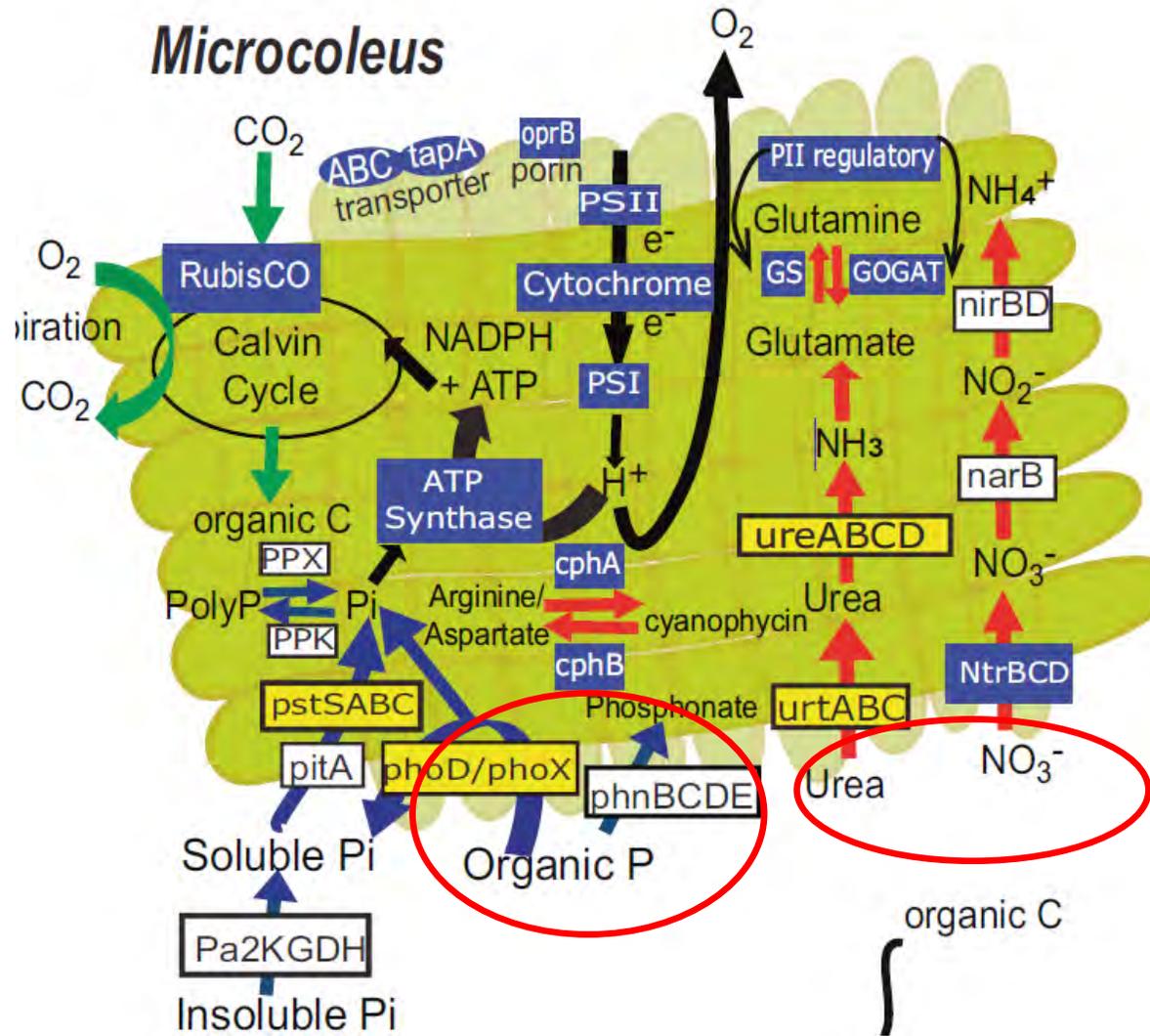


Toxic and nontoxic *Microcoleus* are different species belonging to different clades

Only 6 % of genes are shared across 42 genomes suggesting a high level of genetic divergence among *Microcoleus* strains.

Tee et al., 2022

# Nutrient Acquisition by *Microcoleus* Sp.

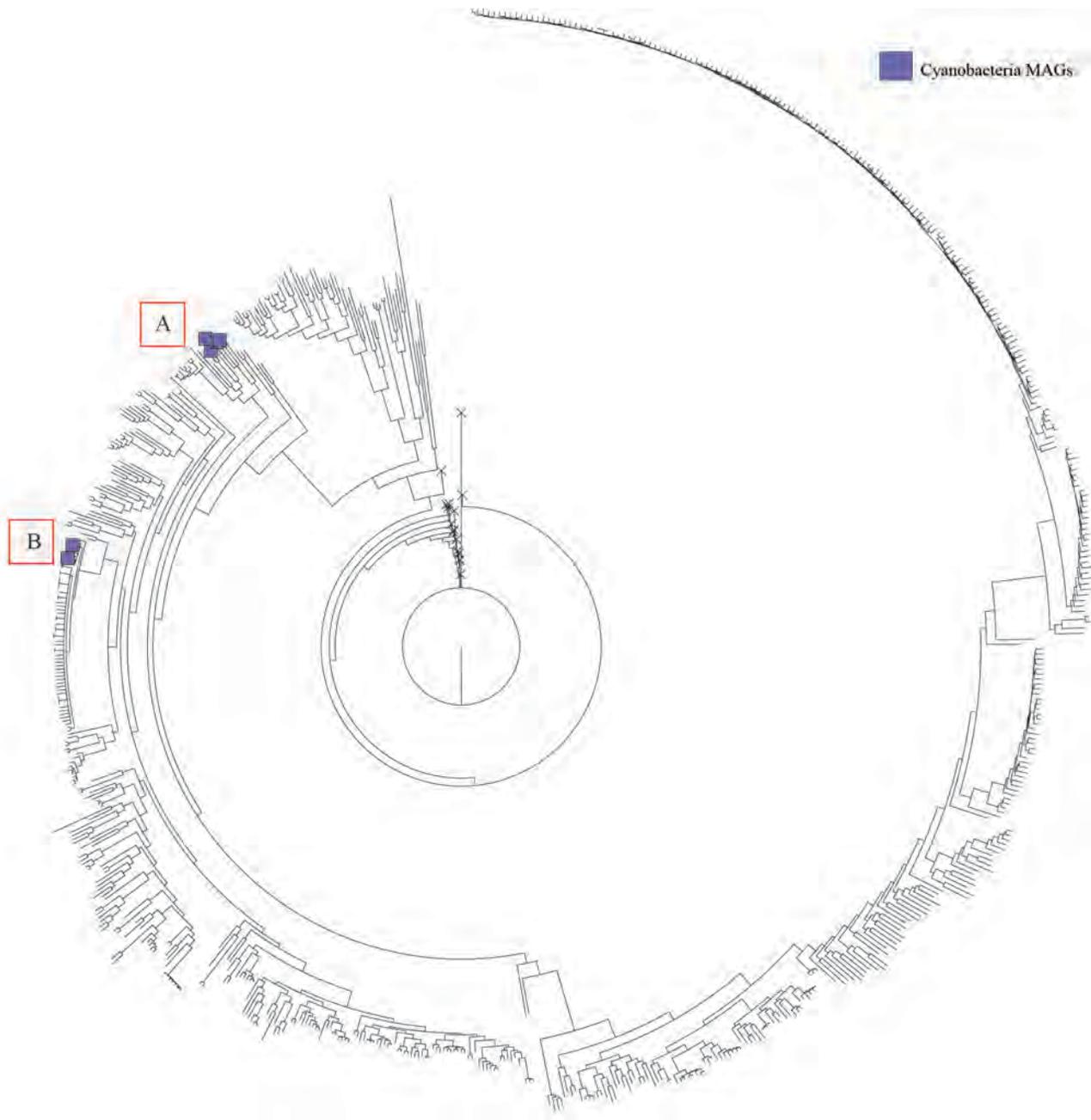


It tends to grow in systems with moderate dissolved inorganic nitrogen and very low dissolved reactive phosphorus.

It Lacks N-fixation genes.

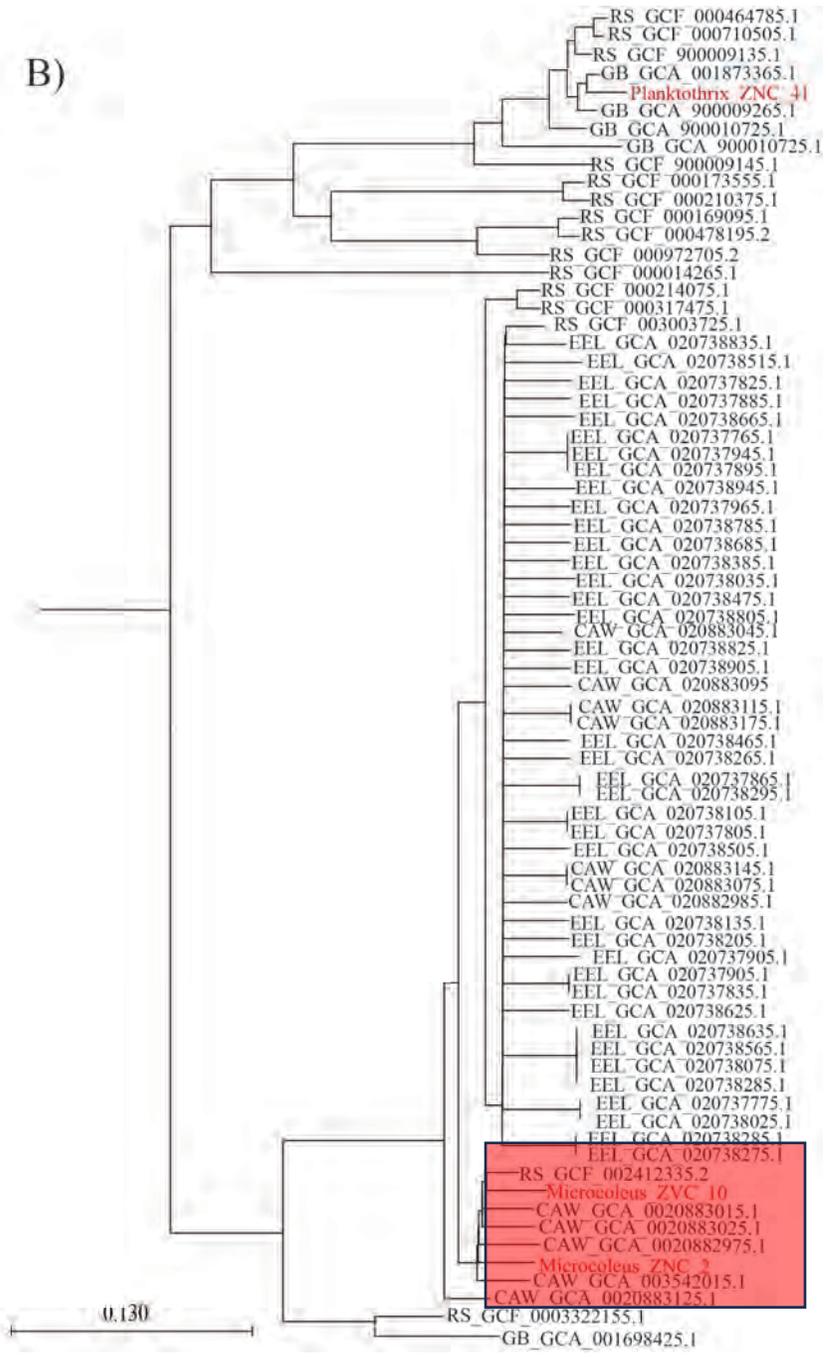
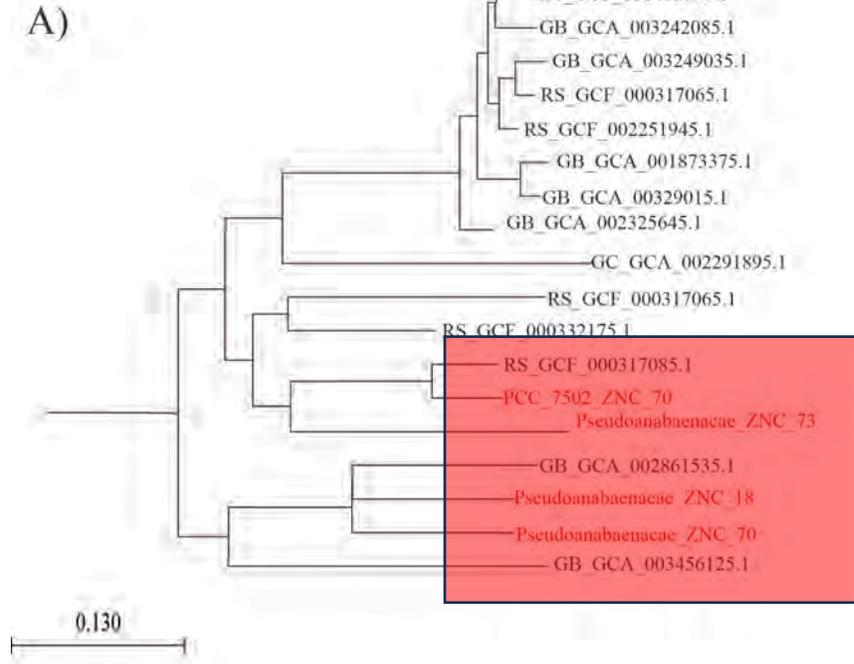
It upregulates alkaline phosphatase activity in P deficient waters. Toxic strains exhibit higher Alkaline phosphatase activity than non-toxic counterparts.

Non-toxic strains of *Microcoleus* have higher growth rate under nutrient deficient conditions



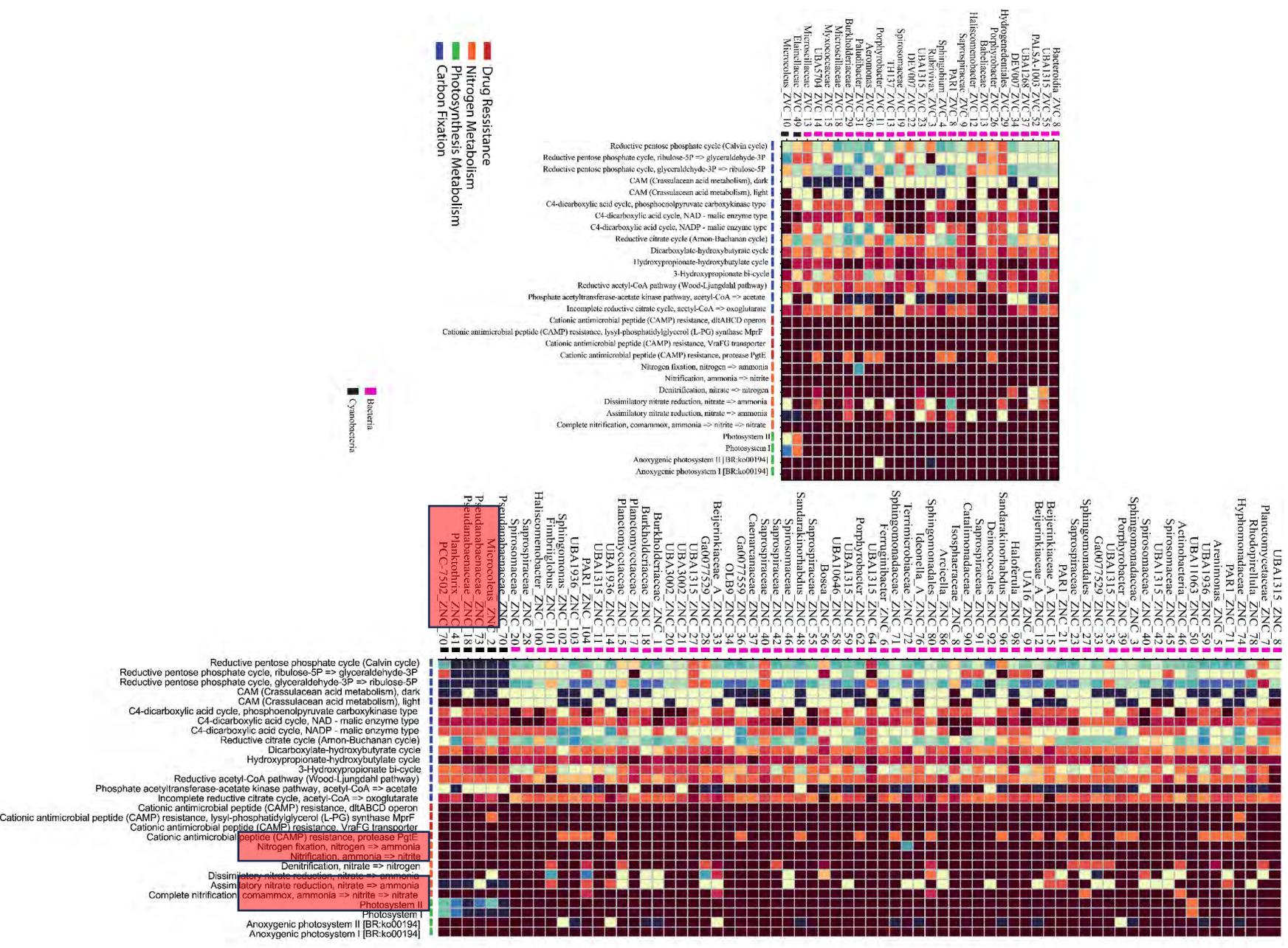
## The complete phylogenetic tree as visualized on CLC Genomics Workbench 23 (QIAGEN)

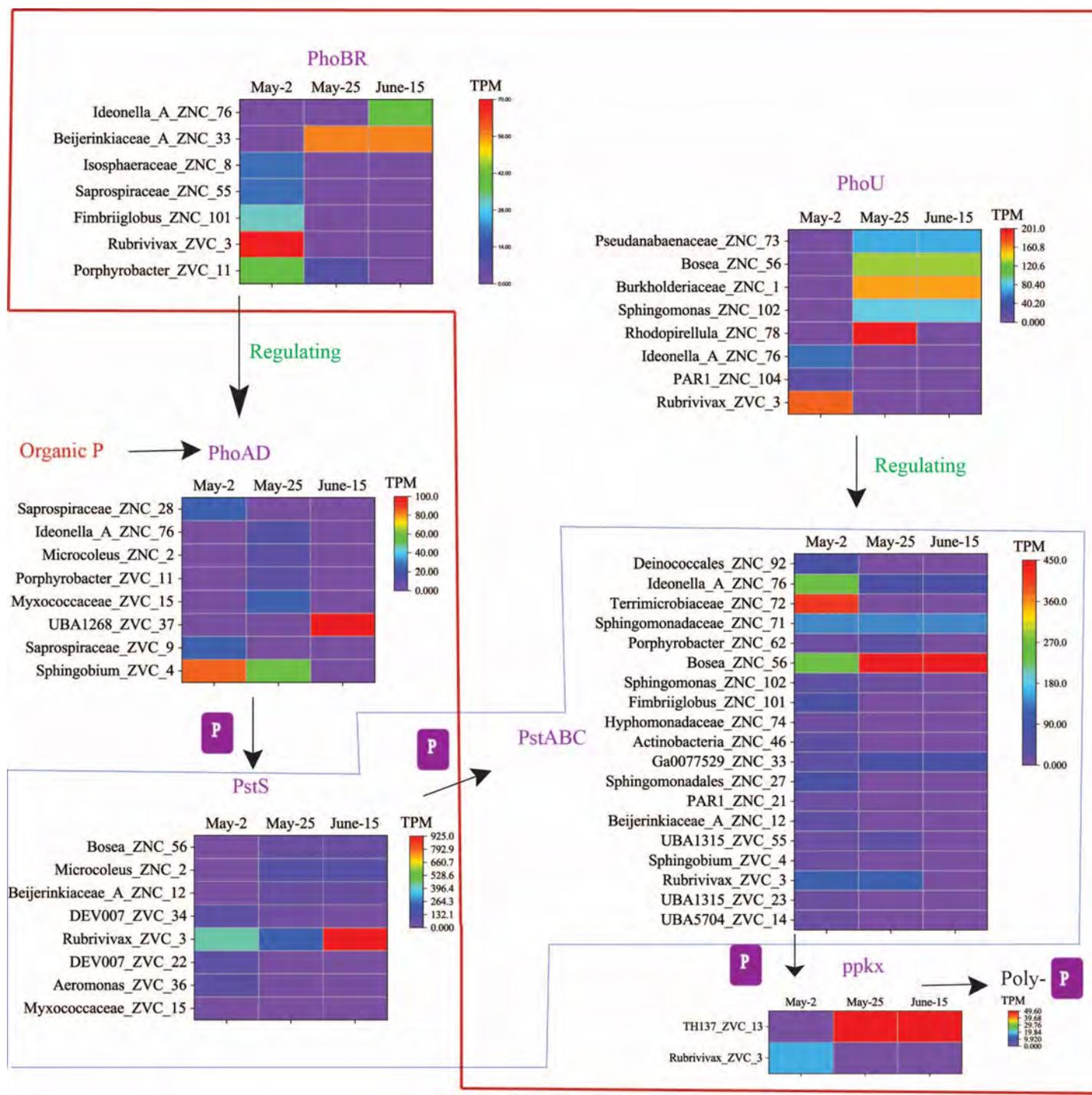
The complete phylogenetic tree from which the flanking regions of the MAGs of cyanobacteria were extracted. The MAGs of cyanobacteria are denoted by purple boxes in the tree. The plots A and B are enhanced and detailed in figure. 2.



The phylogenetic tree of MAGs of Cyanobacteria from Visitors Center and North Creek: Phylogenetic position of MAGs extracted from Visitor's Center and North Creek in Zions National Park. The MAGs of Cyanobacteria are color coded in red fonts.

The completeness of the genomic pathways in the MAGs of cyanobacteria and other bacteria: The KEGG module completeness of the MAGs of Bacteria and Cyanobacteria from Visitors Center(A) and North Creek(B) are represented by through two heatmaps. The pathways involved in nitrogen acquisition and storage, carbon fixation, photosynthesis, and drug resistance are color coded with orange, blue, green, and red rectangles respectively. Black and pink rectangles have been placed after the names of the MAGs of cyanobacteria and bacteria respectively.



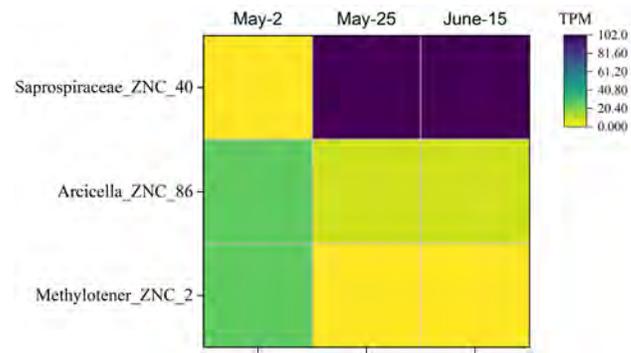


## The Pathway of P metabolism and regulatory involved genes and the quantification of the transcripts.

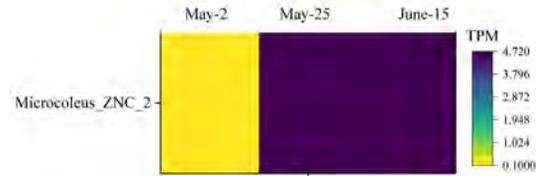
The pathway of the genes that are related to the transport and assimilation of phosphate by cyanobacteria and bacterioplankton were depicted on the schematic map. During times of low Pi levels, the *pstSABC* genes are responsible for transporting Pi into the cell from the surrounding extracellular space. This process requires the activation of the *PhoA* gene. During the transition from organic P to Pi in an alkaline pH environment, the phosphate regulon sensor *PhoR*, the phosphate regulon response regulator *PhoB*, and the alkaline phosphatase domains *PhoA* and *PhoD* were responsible. The TPM for genes implicated in the *Pho* regulon is depicted by the heatmaps before, during and after the phytoplanktonic bloom by MAGs of cyanobacteria and bacterioplankton.



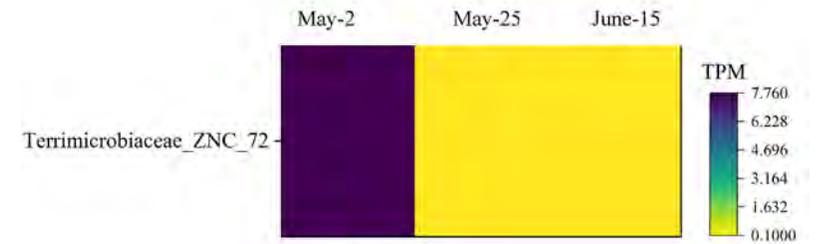




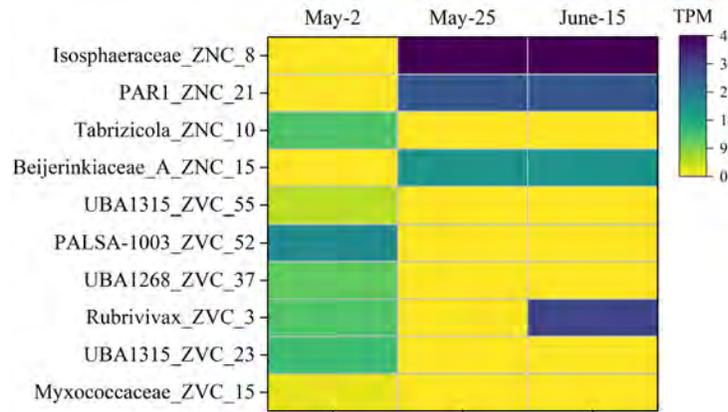
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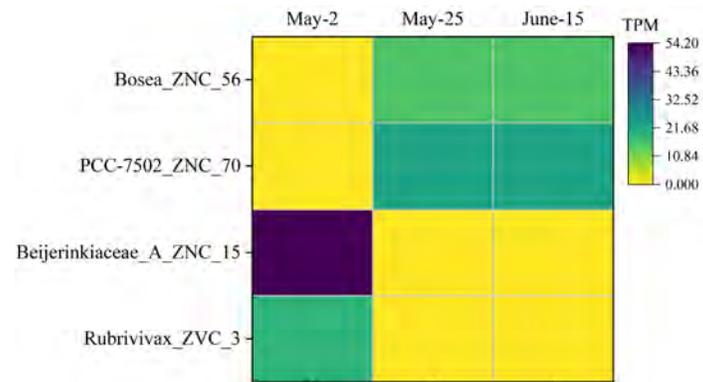
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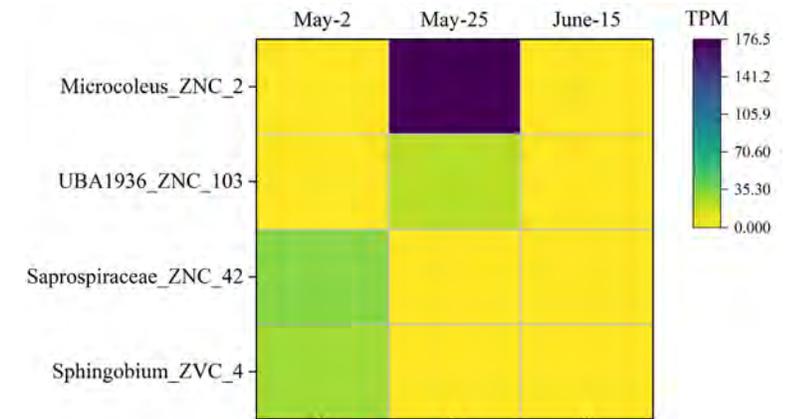
*nifDHK*



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narH/Y*



*nrtA, nrtC*



*nosZ*

**Thank You**

## ITEM III

# *Phormidium* and beyond – practical taxonomy of filamentous cyanobacteria

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# Phormidium and beyond – practical taxonomy of some filamentous cyanobacteria

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of Waters

**Taxonomic rules** – lawyerish but has a main goal – make things **clearer** and support **understanding**

- ***International Code of Nomenclature for algae, fungi, and plants (ICN)*** formerly *International Code of Botanical Nomenclature (ICBN)*

**TYPE:** dried plant material and is usually deposited and preserved in a herbarium (image or a culture)

- **International Code of Nomenclature of Prokaryotes (ICNP)**
- The **type strain** is a living culture to which the scientific name of that organism is formally attached

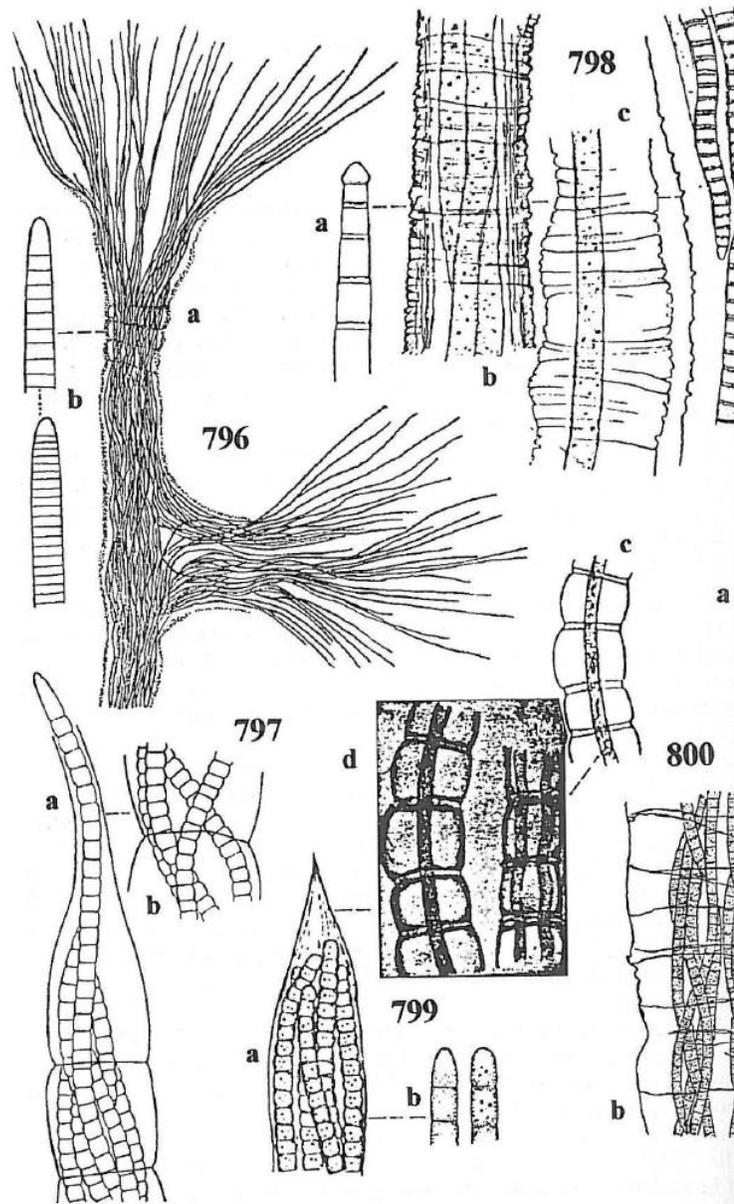


Fig. 796. *Sirocoleum kurzii*: a – after Frémy, b – after Gomont; (Kosinskaja 1948).

Fig. 797. *Sirocoleum* ? sp.: a-b – after Novičkova from Starmach (*Hydrocoleum terrestre*).

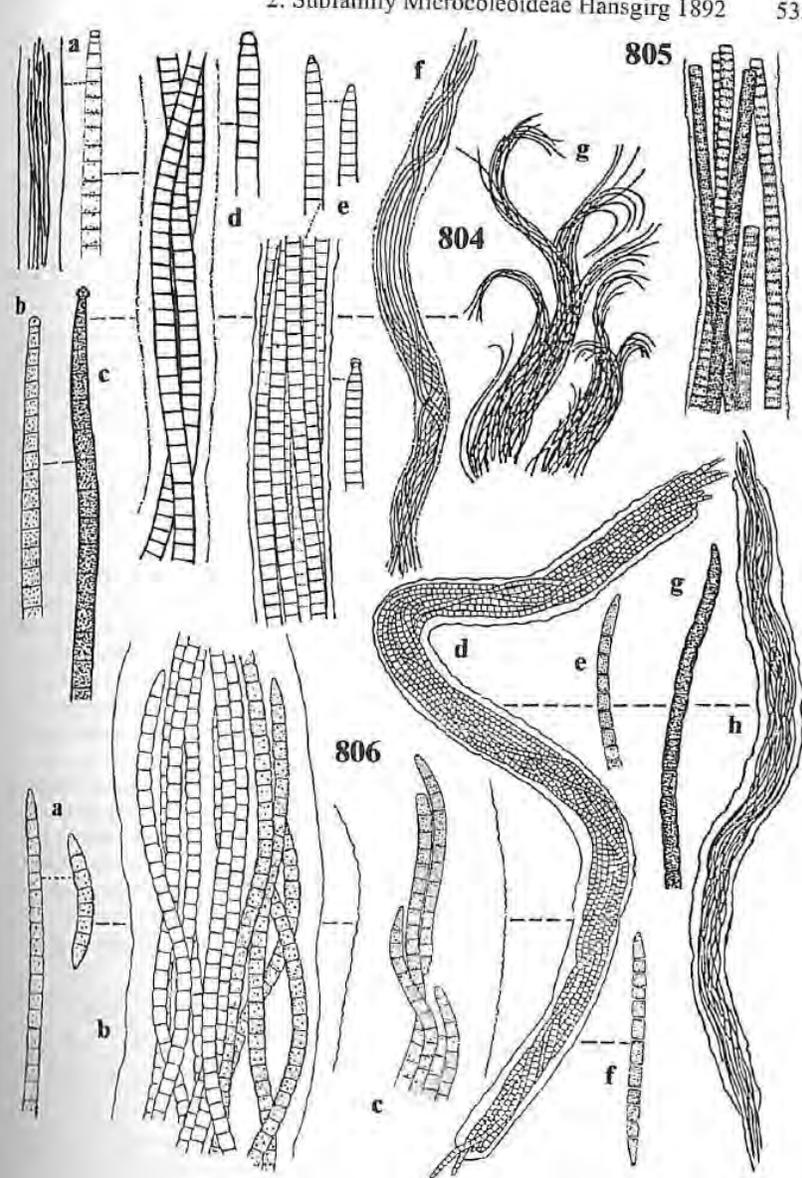


Fig. 804. *Microcoleus vaginatus*: a – after Komárek (1988), b – after Gomont from Starmach (1966), c – after Frémy (1930), d – after Kann (1978), e, g – after Starmach (1962), f – after Bourrelly (1970).

Fig. 805. *Microcoleus vaginatus* sensu Hirano (1964).

Fig. 806. *Microcoleus chihonoplastes*: a-b – after Kosinskaja (1948), c-f – after Gomont from Starmach (1966), g-h – after Frémy (1930).

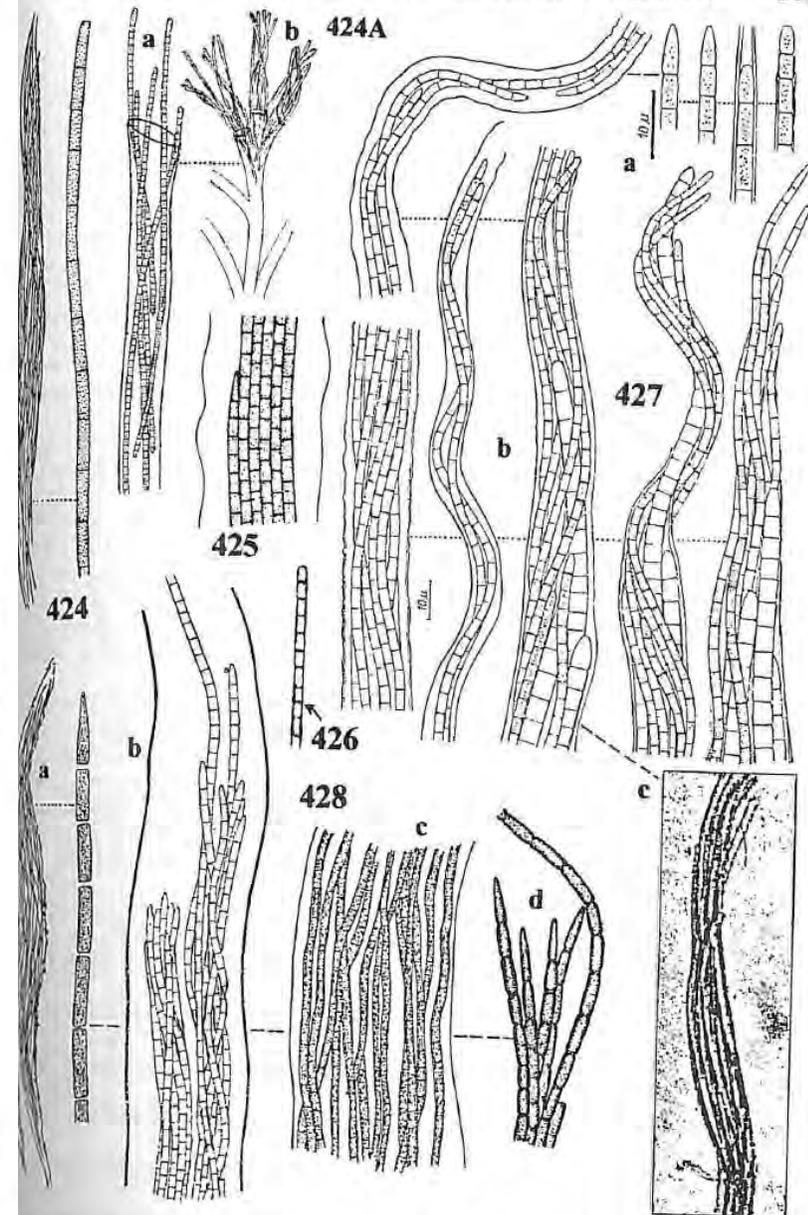


Fig. 428. *Trichocoleus sociatus*: a – after Frémy & Meslin (1928), b – after Gomont from Starmach (1966), c – after Palik (1949), d – after Behre (1953); (all of *Microcoleus sociatus*).

So, why is there such a mess in naming?  
(strain GB seqs., natural populations...)

- Small number of genetic markers on bacteria
  - Natural variability
  - Historical background (species rearranging, selection from “old species”)
  - Personal (team, country) preferences
  - Identical sequence in GB wins the prize (momentum in strain naming)
- due to all above + the need of comparing with type species (+ pressure on publishing) many new species are

Huge development during last ~ 10 years (why?)

16S rRNA gene (+) genomic sequencing

**280 new species**  
**140 new genera**  
**2014-2022**





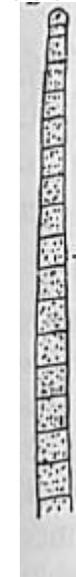
*Laspinema* Heidari et Hauer (2018)



# *Microcoleus*\* (former *P. autumnale* + others)

- *Oscillatoria vaginata* Vaucher 1803
- *Microcoleus vaginatus* Gomont 1892

- \* Was well defined (more consensual) soil species
- Relatively good diacritical features
- 16S rRNA formed clade with >100 strains with variable morphology and ecology



Current name: *Microcoleus vaginatus*  
Gomont  
On marginal plants, Hollowell Reservoir,  
Northampton UK. Collected by Rachel  
Carter. - 03 August 2006. C.F.Carter  
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## MOLECULAR AND MORPHOLOGICAL CRITERIA FOR REVISION OF THE GENUS *MICROCOLEUS* (OSCILLATORIALES, CYANOBACTERIA)<sup>1</sup>

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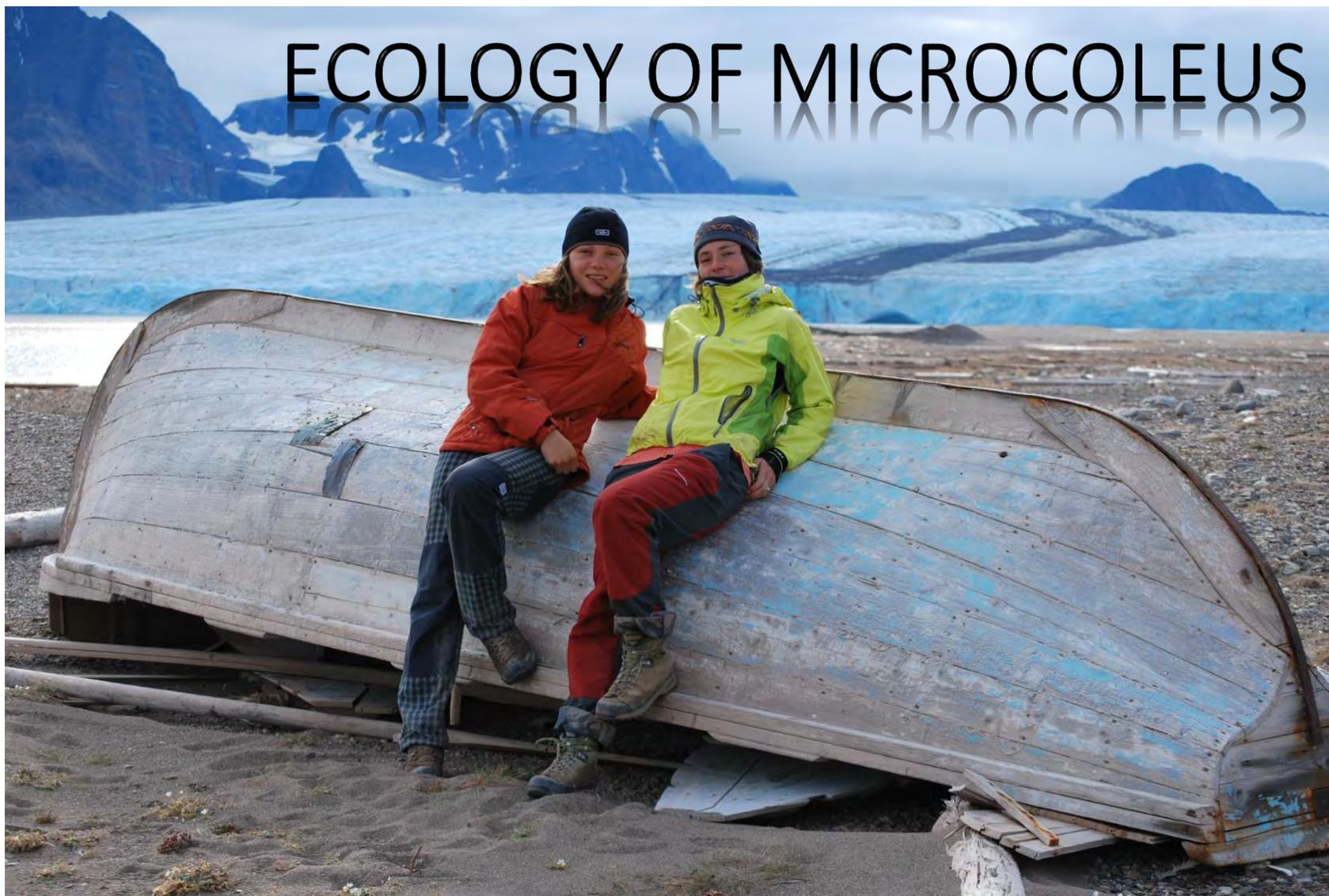
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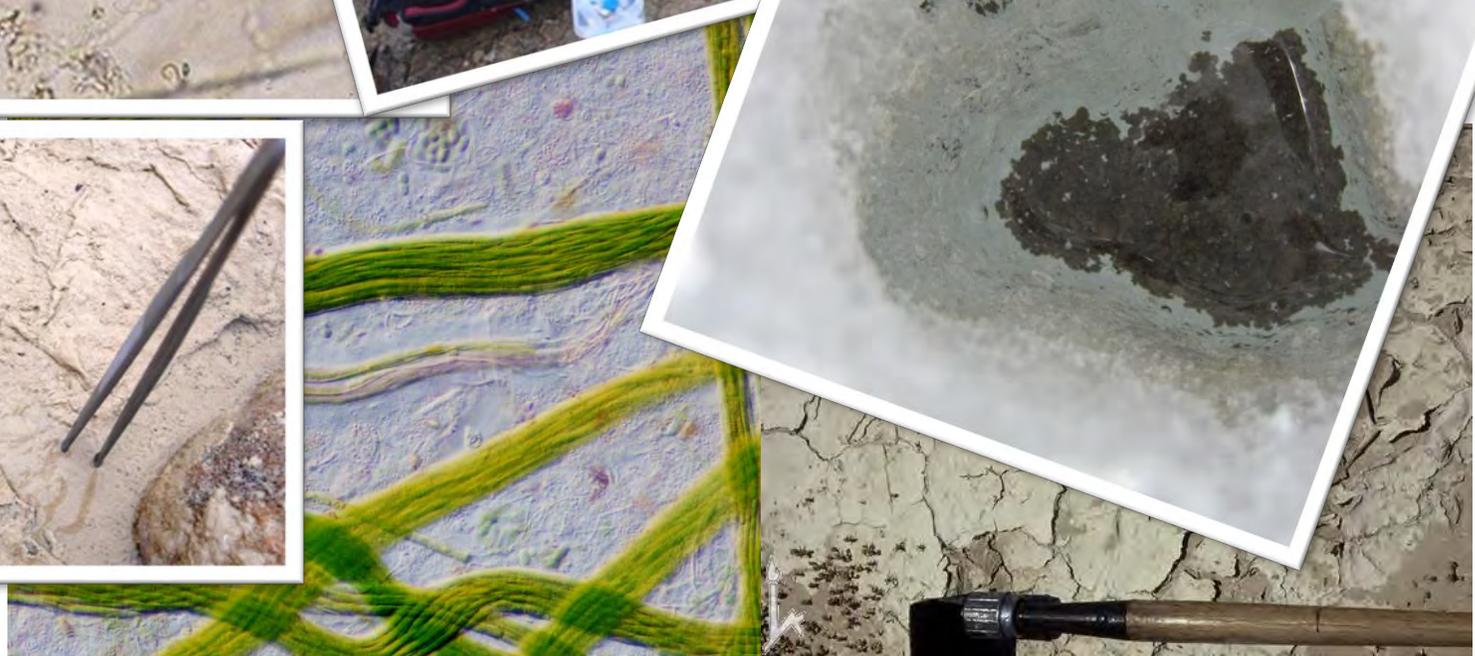
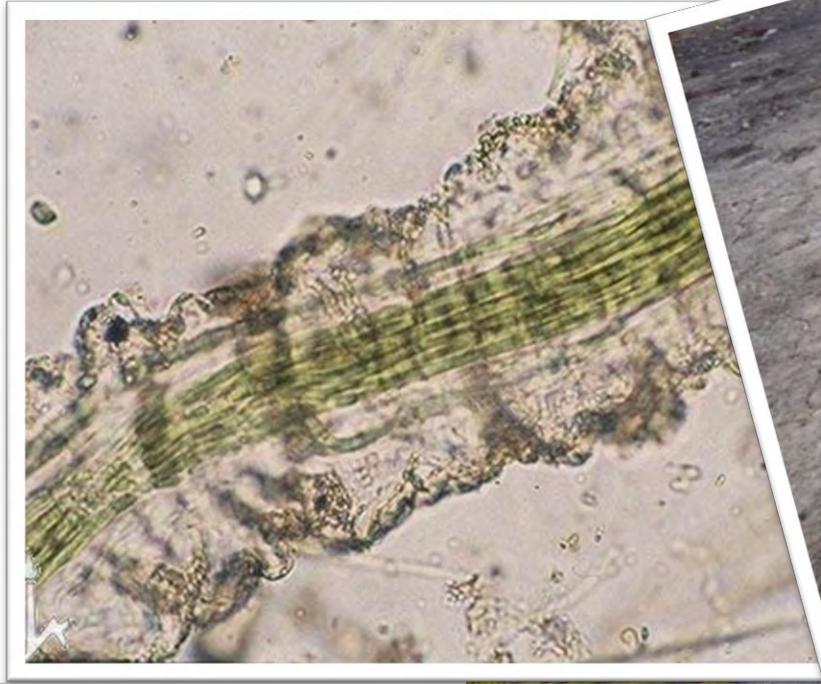
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# ECOLOGY OF MICROCOLEUS



- Highly resistant to drying, freezing and desiccation
- Virtually everywhere where not outcompeted (N?) by other cyanobacteria, algae or plants

# ECOLOGY OF MICROCOLEUS

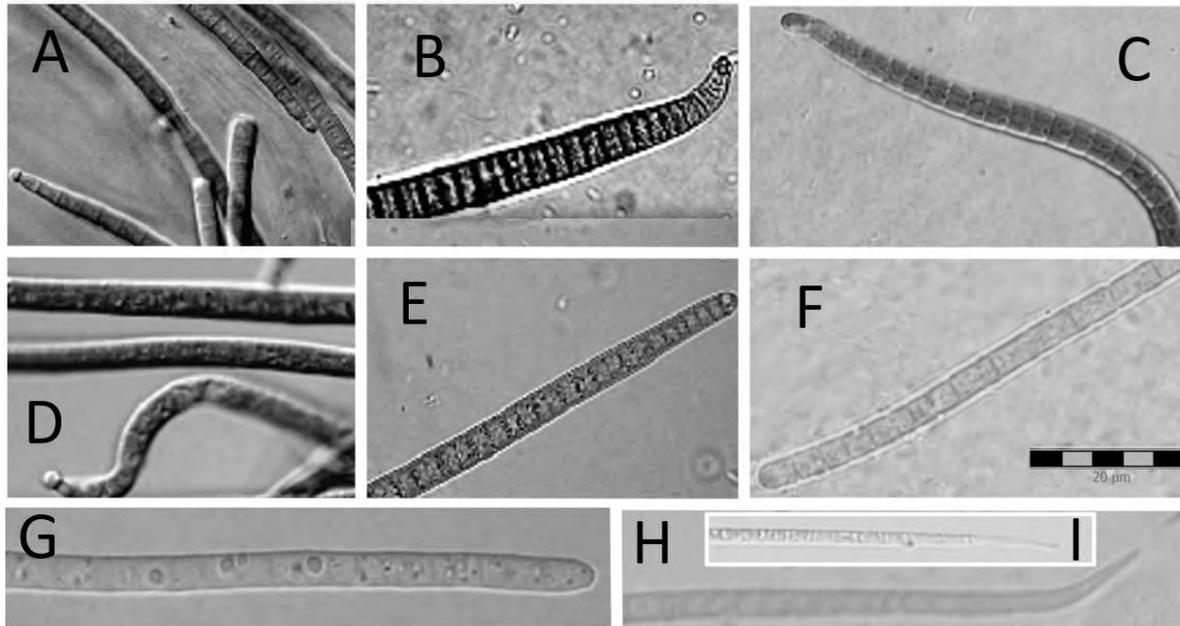


# ECOLOGY OF MICROCOLEUS



# QUESTIONS REMAINS

- Is the New World different from the Old World?
- Is there higher diversity of particularly soil filamentous (bundles forming) species/genera in Americas?
- How many species are in *Microcoleus*?



Revised filamentous species: *Microcoleus vaginatus* (A), *M. autumnalis* (B), *Kamptonema formosum* (C), *M. fonticulus* (D), *M. attenuatus* (E), *Wilmottia murrayi* (F), *Anagnostidinema formosum* (G), *Oxynema thaianum* (H), *Geitlerinema splendidum* (I)

# Microcoleus

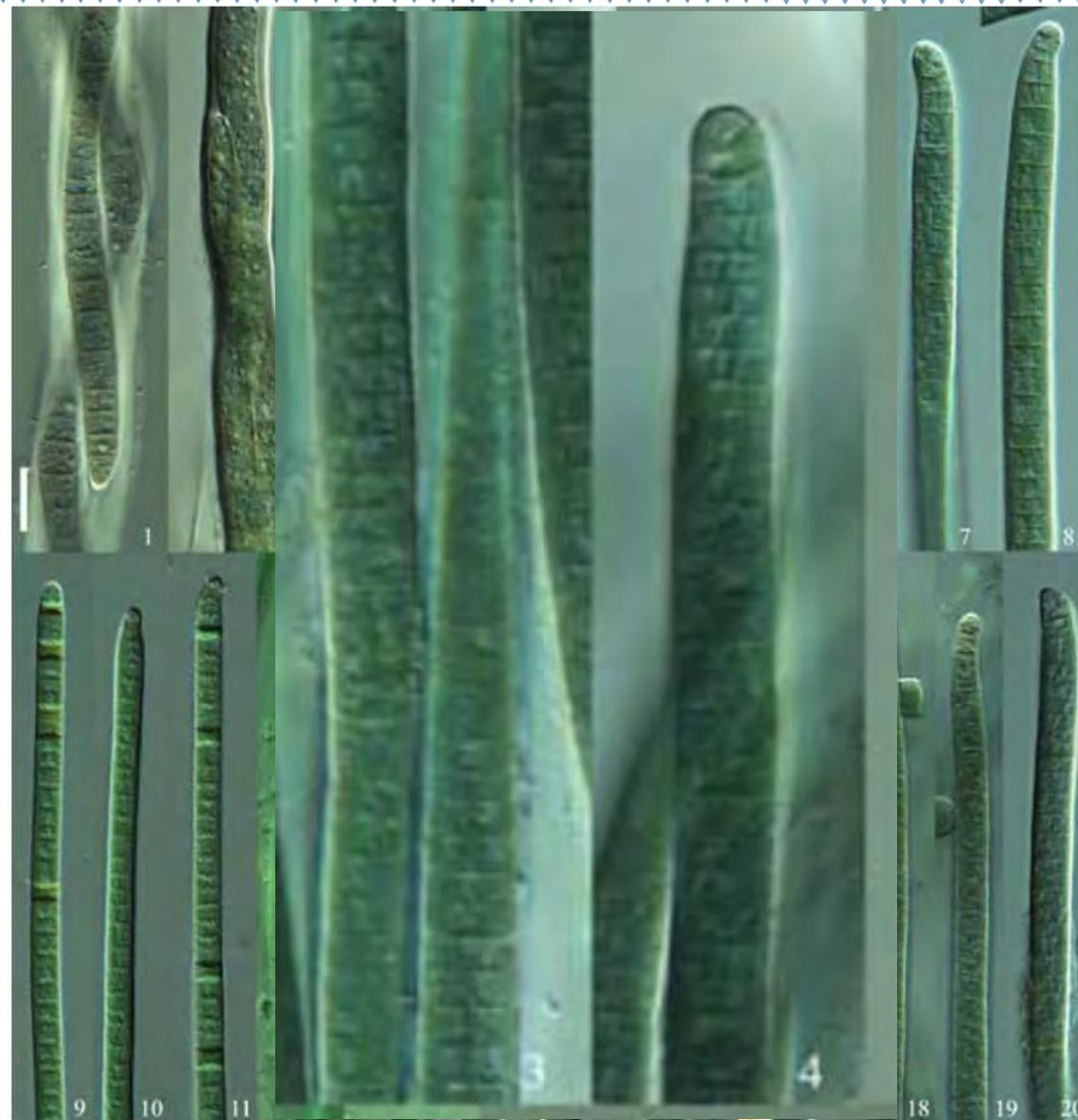
The common features: trichome width 4–10  $\mu\text{m}$ , cells isodiametric, occasionally as short as 1/3 as long as wide, with cyanophycin bodies located close to cell walls between cells. *Microcoleus* have characteristic raft structure of thylakoids which can be also seen by optical microscopy as green field areas within the cells. Calyptra, motility and multiple trichomes in a common sheath facultative.

Morphological and molecular study of epipellic filamentous genera  
*Phormidium*, *Microcoleus* and *Geitlerinema* (Oscillatoriales, Cyanophyta/  
Cyanobacteria)

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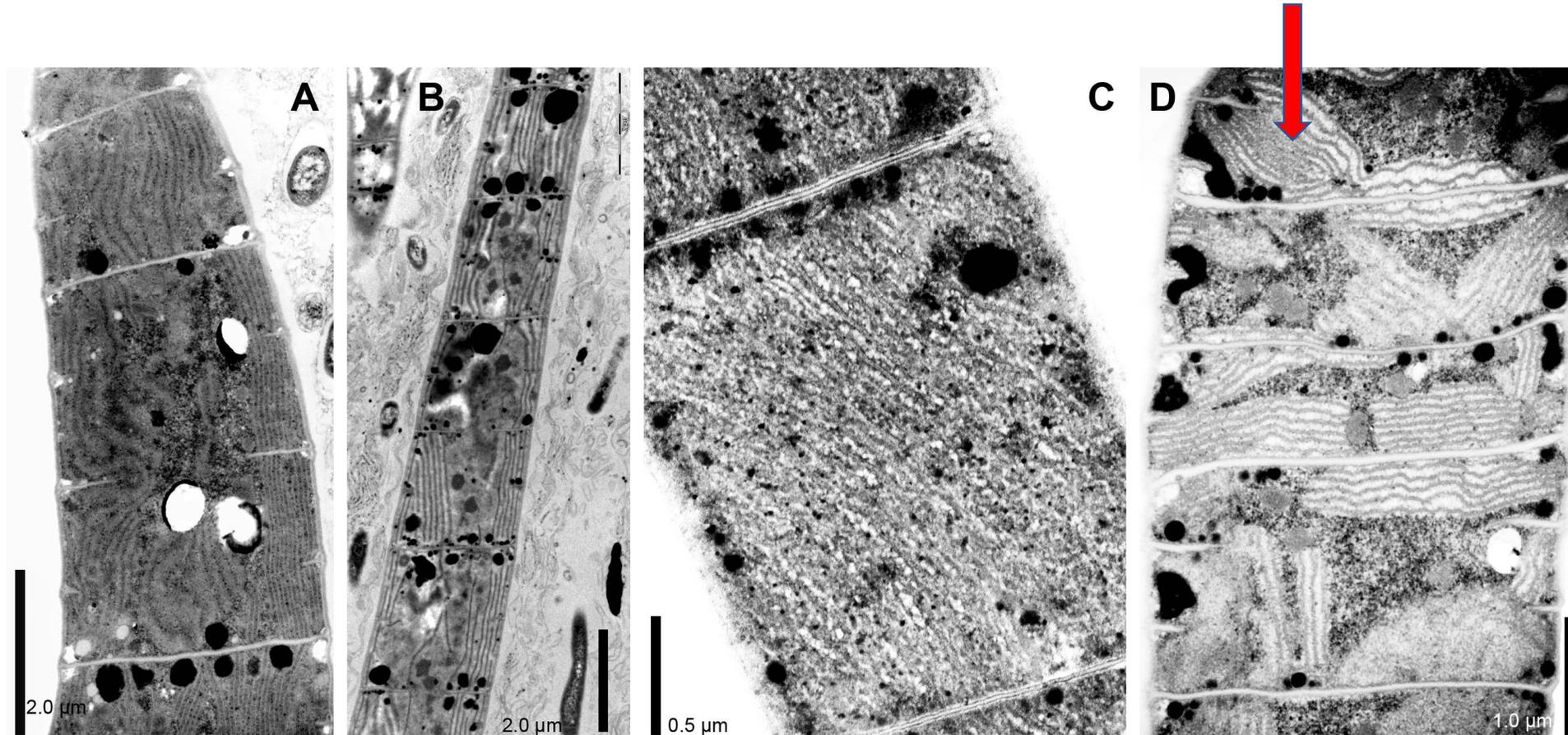
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Figs 1–20. Variability of filamentous epipellic cyanobacteria: (1–2) *M. vaginatus*, strain P006; (3–4) *M. vaginatus*, strain POR1; (5–6) *M. vaginatus*, strain P09; (7) *M. vaginatus*, strain P0B; (8) *M. vaginatus*, strain P0C; (9–11) *Ph. autumnale*, strain P00; (12–13) *M. vaginatus*, strain P007; (14–16) *Ph. autumnale*, strain P019; (17–20) *Ph. autumnale*, strain P012. Scale bar 10 mm.

# Ultrastructure - *Microcoleus*

Width 4 – 10  $\mu\text{m}$  , sheaths, thylakoids bundles



# Did *Microcoleus* changed back to *Phormidium*?

[HTML] Hydrogen Peroxide Stress Induced in the Marine Cyanobacterium *Synechococcus aeruginosus* and *Phormidium valderianum*

JM Hussain, P Muruganatham... - Applied Biochemistry and ..., 2023 - Springer

... *Synechococcus aeruginosus* and *Phormidium* ... and *Phormidium valderianum*, catalase in *Synechococcus aeruginosus*, peroxidase in *Synechococcus aeruginosus* and *Phormidium* ...

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Statistical Optimization and Downstream Processing of C-Phycocyanin from *Phormidium valderianum*

MS Nair, R Rajarathinam, S Velmurugan... - Chemical ..., 2023 - Wiley Online Library

... This study proved that *Phormidium valderianum* could serve as an alternative source of the pigment C-PC. The extraction of C-PC from *Phormidium valderianum* by ultrasonication was ...

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[PDF] Roles of phytochrome, PixJ, and photosynthesis in photophobotaxis of the filamentous cyanobacterium *Phormidium lacuna*

T Lamparter, E Schwabenland, CJ Jelen, N Weber - 2023 - researchgate.net

Cyanobacterium *Phormidium lacuna* filaments move from dark to illuminated areas by twitching motility. Time-lapse recordings demonstrated that this photophobotaxis response was ...

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We report the genome of *Phormidium yuhuli* AB48, which includes a circular chromosome and a circular plasmid (4 747 469 bp and 51 599 bp respectively). This is currently the only

Polyphasic characterisation of *Microcoleus autumnalis* (Gomont, 1892) Strunecky, Komárek & J.R.Johansen, 2013 (Oscillatoriales, Cyanobacteria) using a metabolomic approach as a complementary tool

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- No, due to lack of the taxonomically valid prerequisites

# Tychonema – to be solved

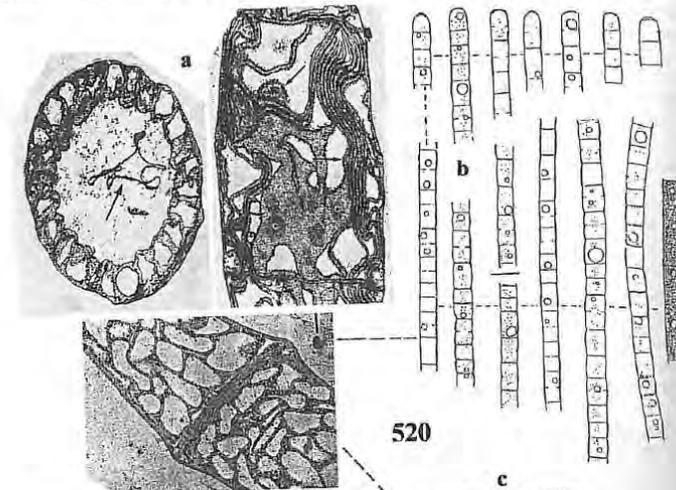
## 2. *Tychonema tenue* (Skuja) Anagnostidis et Komárek 1988 (fig. 521)

*Oscillatoria bornetii* f. *tenuis* Skuja 1929

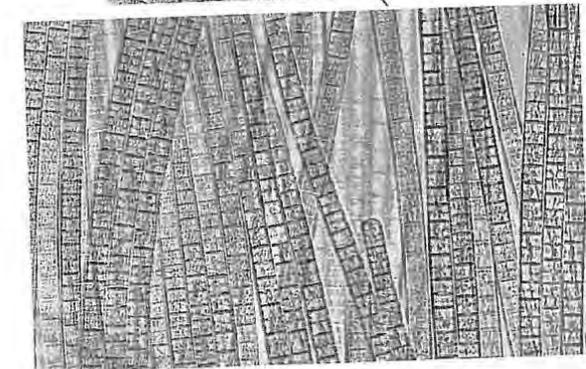
Trichomes greyish, solitary or in fine, brownish or olive-green mats, straight or slightly flexuous or curved, not constricted at cross-walls, cylindrical, not attenuated towards ends, 5.5–7 (8)  $\mu\text{m}$  wide. Cells  $\pm$  isodiametric, distinctly granular at cross-walls, with distinctly keratomized, almost colourless content. Apical cells rounded with thickened cell wall, but without calyptra (?).

Occurrence: In swamps, among plants, secondary free-floating, mainly tycho-planktic, in clear, acidic and cold waters; Denmark, Estonia, Latvia, Norway, Sweden, recorded also from Romania (E Carpathians). Planktic populations possibly identical with *T. bourrellyi* (?).

- *Tychonema bourrellyi* (Lund) Anagnostidis et Komárek 1988  
Trichomes solitary, free-floating, grey to greyish-brown, straight or occasionally curved, to about 5 mm long, in the mass violet, pinkish ... cells longer or shorter than wide, sometimes with 1 (2) small to large "vacuoles" (in fact widened thylakoids), almost colourless, 4-5 (6.3)  $\mu\text{m}$  wide



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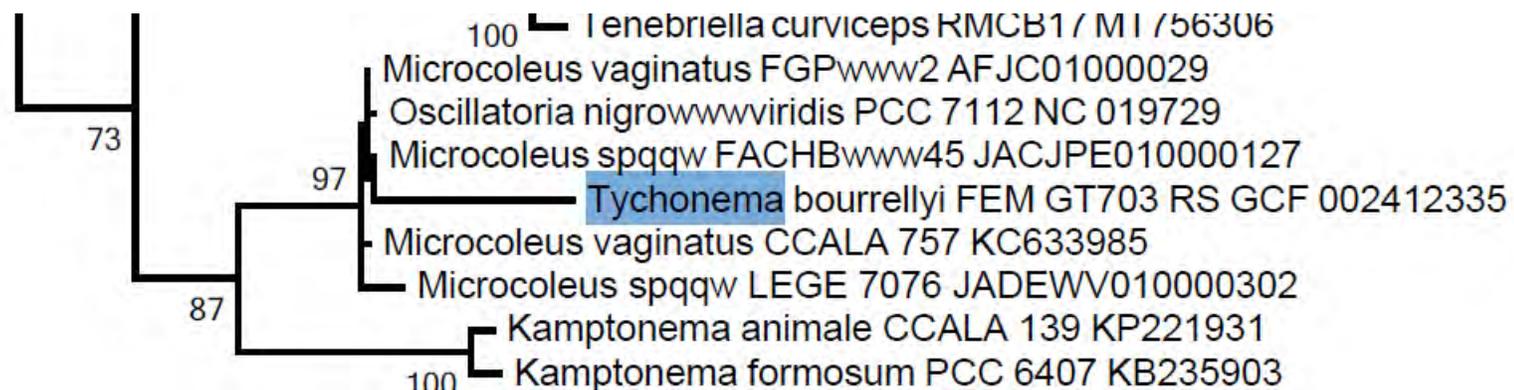


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Fig. 520. *Tychonema bourrellyi*: a – ultrathin section through a cell with widened thylakoids, b-c – details of trichomes; a – after Komárek & Albertano (1994), b – after Lund (1955, sub *Oscillatoria bourrellyi*), c – from Canter-Lund & Lund (1995, sub *Oscillatoria bourrellyi*).  
Fig. 521. *Tychonema tenue*: a – after Skuja (1929, sub *Oscillatoria bornetii* f. *tenuis*), b – redrawn from Skulberg (1977, sub *Oscillatoria* sp.).

# *Tychonema* – early bird in Genbank

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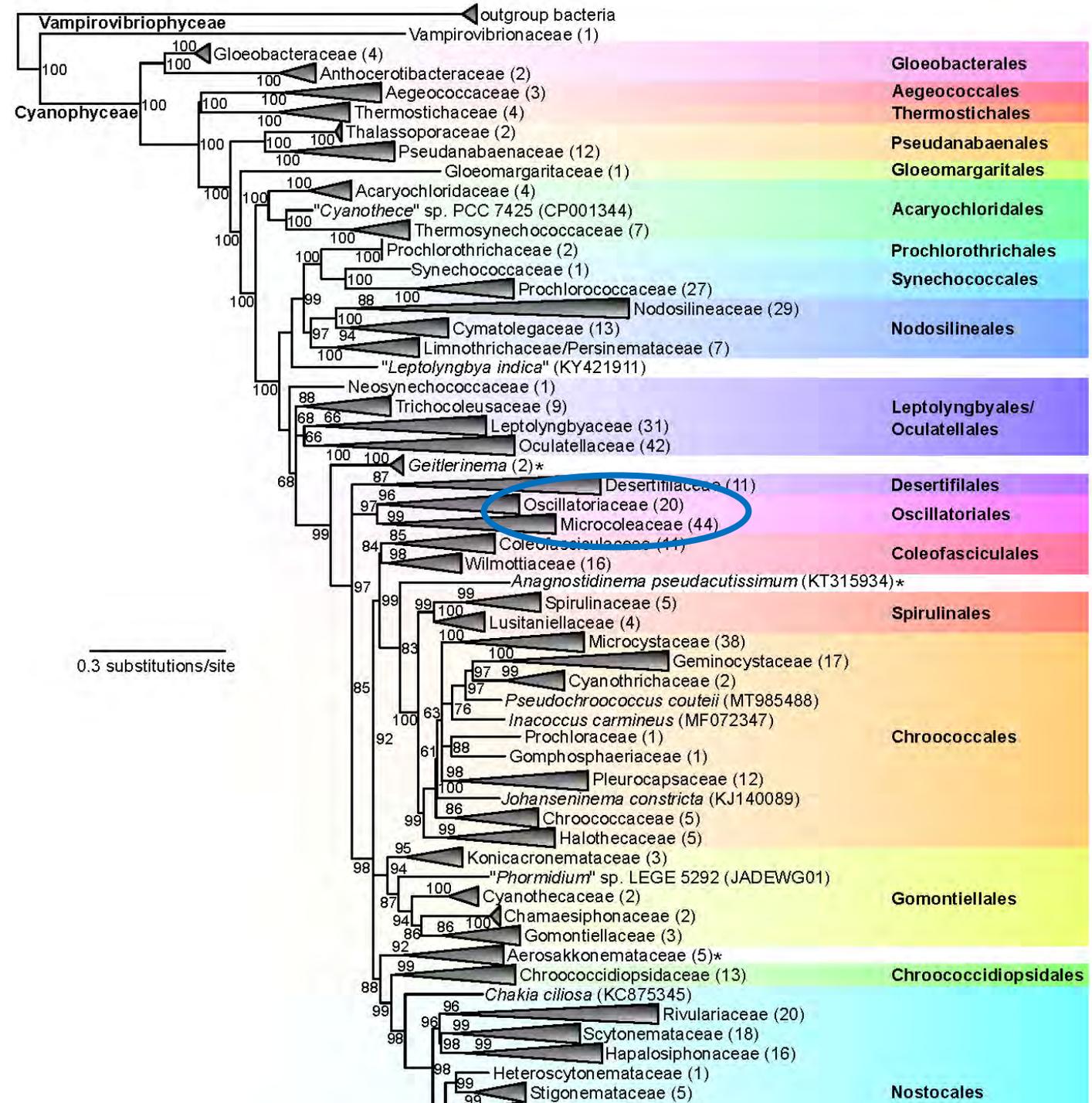
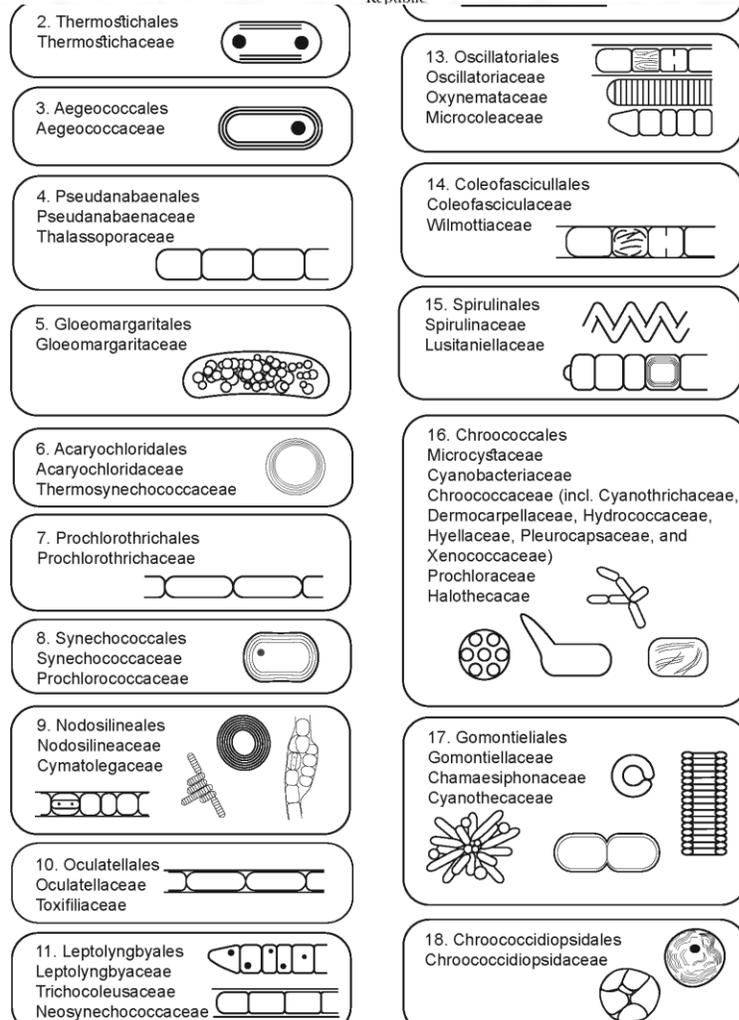
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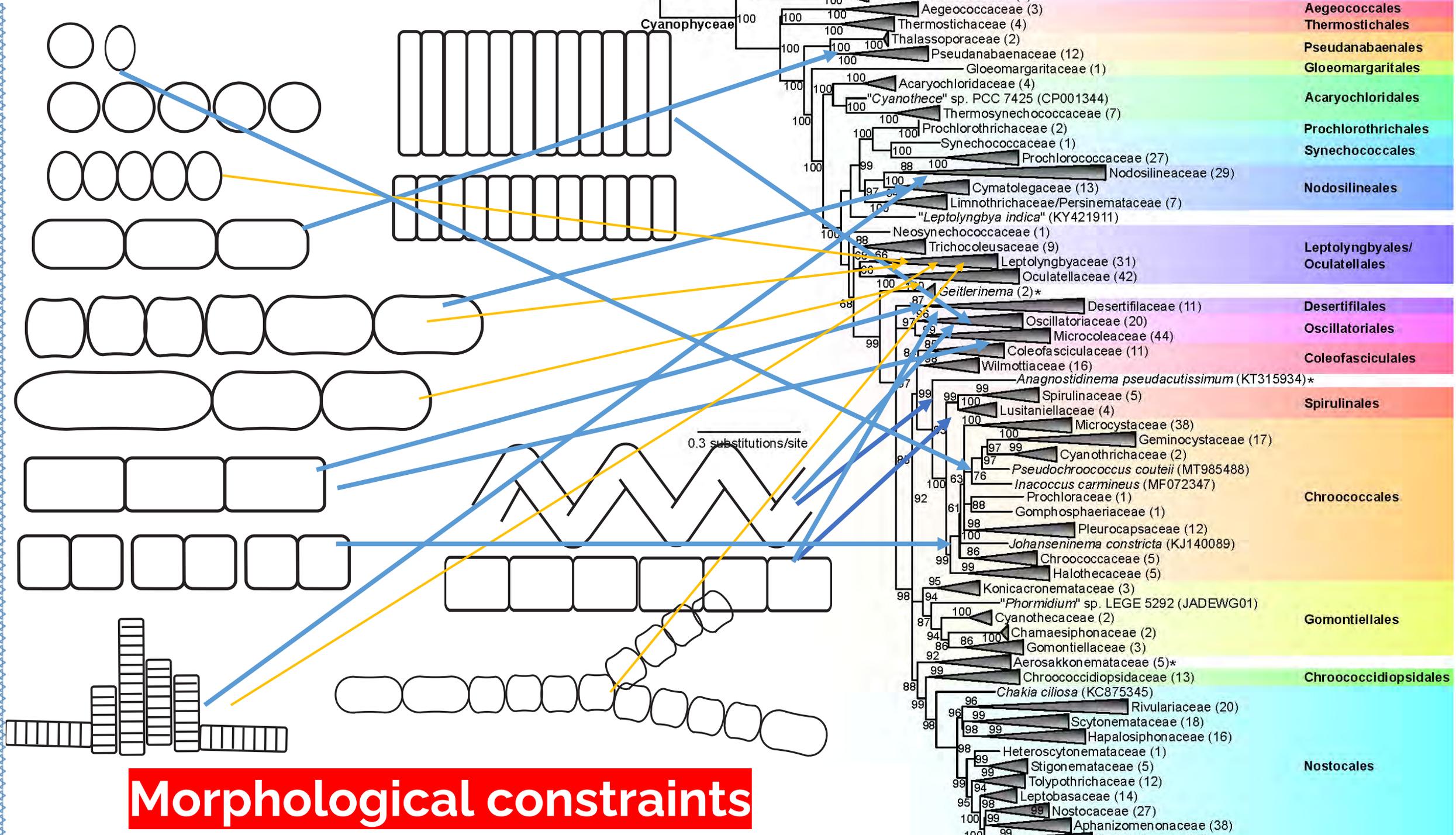
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taxon	type species		
<b>Gloeobacterales Cavalier-Smith 2002</b>		<b>Oscillatoriales Schaffner 1922</b>	
		Oscillatoriaceae (Gray) Kirchner 1898	
Gloeobacteraceae Komárek et Anagnostidis 1995		<i>Ammassolinea</i> Hašler et al. 2014	<i>A. attenuata</i>
		<i>Baaleninema</i> Samylina et al. 2021	<i>B. simplex</i>
<i>Gloeobacter</i> Rippka et al. 1974 ex Mareš et al. 2013	<i>G. violacea</i>	<i>Koinonema</i> Buch et al. 2017	<i>K. pervagatum</i>
		<i>Laspinema</i> Heidari et Hauer 2018	<i>L. thermale</i>
		<i>Oxynema</i> Chatchawan et al. 2012	<i>O. thaianum</i>
		<i>Oscillatoria</i> Vaucher ex Gomont 1892	<i>O. princeps</i>
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<i>Anthocerotibacter</i> F. W. Li 2021	<i>A. panamer</i>	<i>Phormidium</i> Kützing ex Gomont 1892	<i>P. lucidum</i> P
		<i>Planktothricoides</i> Suda et M.M.Watanabe 2002	<i>P. raciborskii</i>
		<i>Sodalinema</i> Cellamare et al. 2018	<i>S. komarekii</i>
<b>Thermostichales Komárek et Strunecký 2020</b>		<b>Microcoleaceae Komárek et al. 2014</b>	
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		<i>Ammatoidea</i> W. et G.S.West 1897	<i>A. normanii</i> P
<i>Thermostichus</i> Komárek et Strunecký 2021	<i>T. vulcanus</i>	<i>Ancyllothrix</i> Martins et Branco 2016	<i>A. rivularis</i>
		<i>Arthrospira</i> Stizenberger ex Gomont 1892	<i>A. jenneri</i>
		<i>Blennothrix</i> Kützing ex Anagnostidis et Komárek 1988	<i>B. vermicularis</i> P
		<i>Capilliphycus</i> Caires et al. 2019	<i>C. salinus</i>
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		<i>Homoeothrix</i> (Thuret) Kirchner 1898	<i>H. juliana</i> P
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<i>Limnothrix</i> Meffert 1988	<i>L. redekei</i>	<i>Microcoleus</i> Desmazières ex Gomont 1892	<i>M. vaginatus</i>
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		<i>Okeania</i> Engene et al. 2013	<i>O. hirsuta</i>
		<i>Ophiophycus</i> Berthold et al. 2021	<i>O. aeruginus</i> P
Thalassoporaceae Strunecký et Mareš, fam. nov.		<i>Phormidiochaete</i> Komárek in Anagnostidis 2001	<i>P. nordstedtii</i> P
Thalassosporum Konstantinou et Gkelis 2020	<i>T. komarek</i>	<i>Planktothrix</i> Anagnostidis et Komárek 1988	<i>P. agardhii</i>
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		<i>Polychlamydom</i> W. et G.S.West 1897	<i>P. insigne</i> P
		<i>Porphyrosiphon</i> Kützing ex Gomont 1892	<i>P. notaristii</i> P
		<i>Proterendothrix</i> W. et G.S.West 1897	<i>P. scolecoidea</i> P

**Tabularised system**

ng data are missing and/or their phylogenetic placement is ambiguous

# Oscillatoria

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## Seeking the true *Oscillatoria*: a quest for a reliable phylogenetic and taxonomic reference point

Hledání fylogenetického a taxonomického referenčního bodu pro rod *Oscillatoria*

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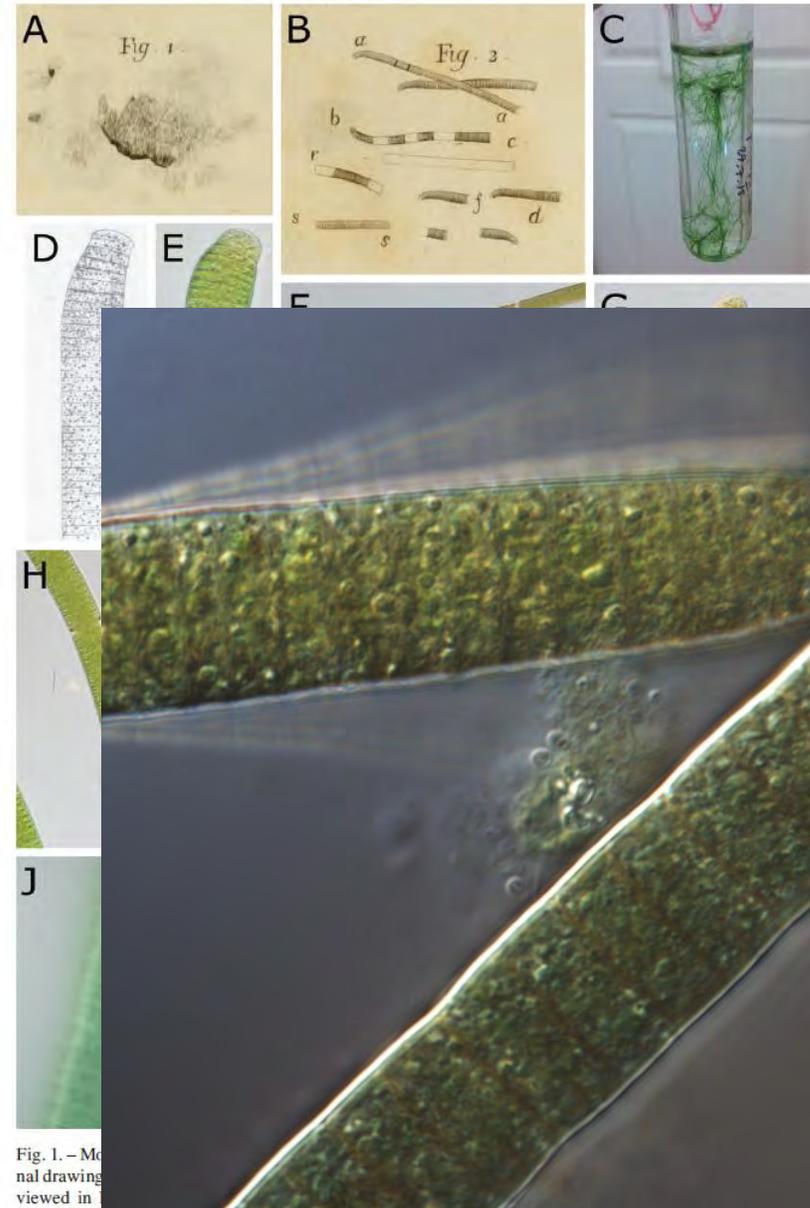


Fig. 1. – Morphology of *Oscillatoria princeps*. (A) Natural drawing of starting point of *O. princeps* CCALA 1115—single filaments are visible by naked eye. (D) Original drawing of *O. princeps* from starting point (Gomont 1892). (E–I) Morphology of *O. princeps* CCALA 1115 from nature, viewed in light microscope (LM). (J–M) Morphology of *O. princeps* CCALA 1115 in culture after (J) 8 weeks; (K–L) 2 weeks, and (M) 7 weeks in liquid medium as viewed in LM.

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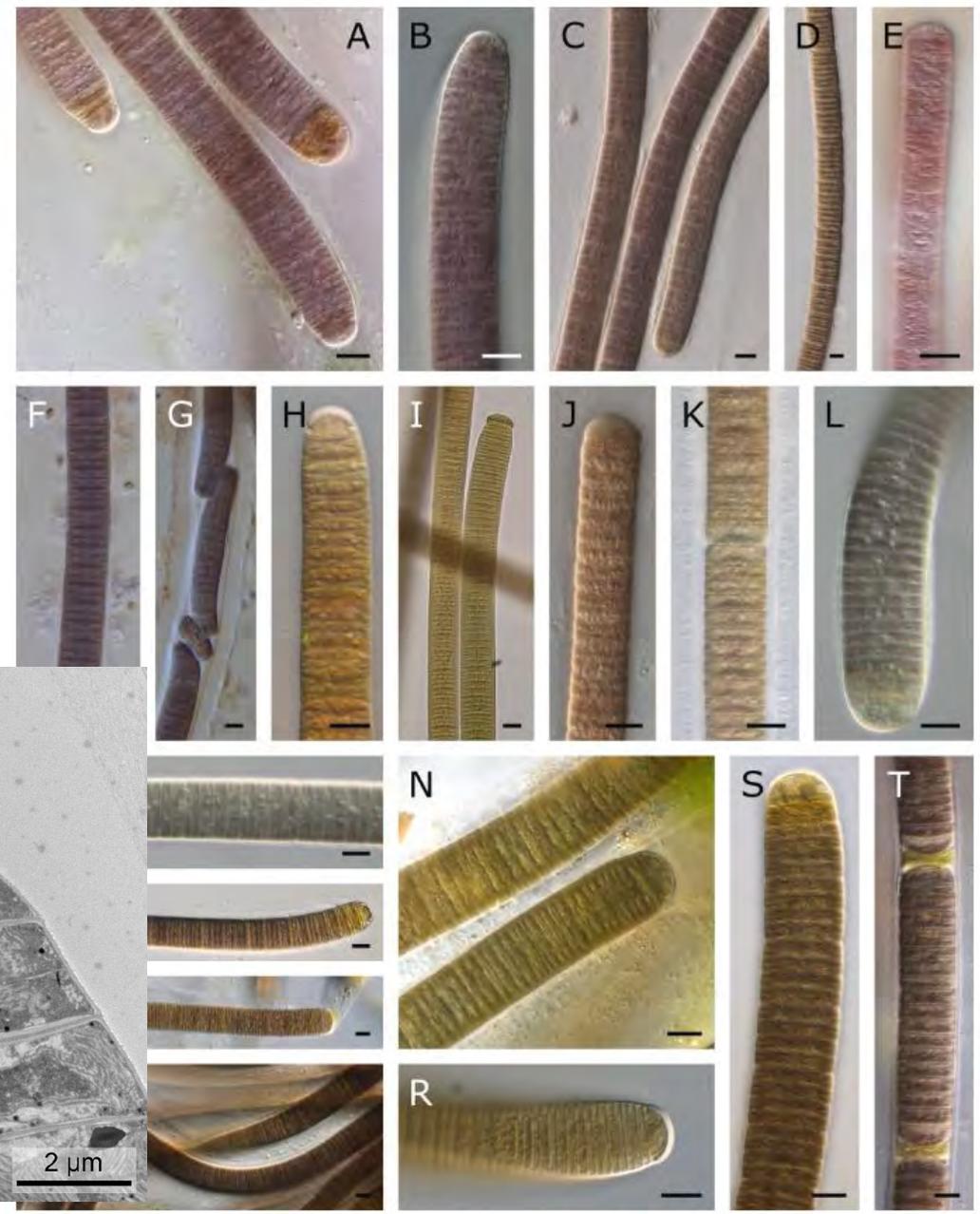
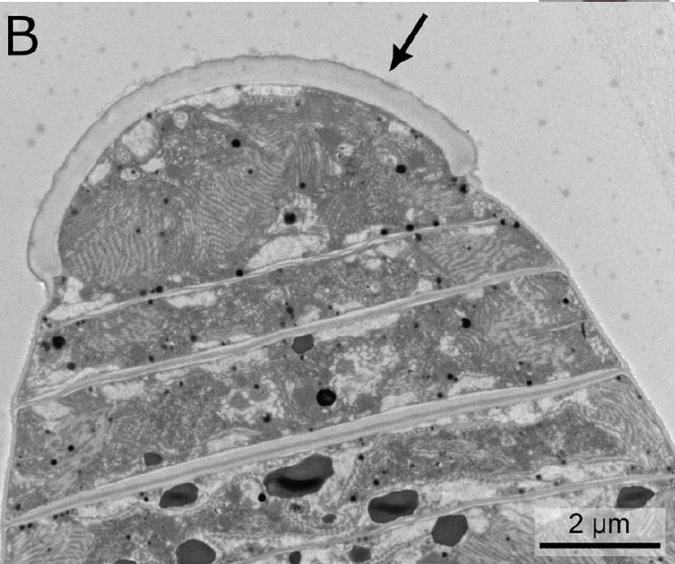
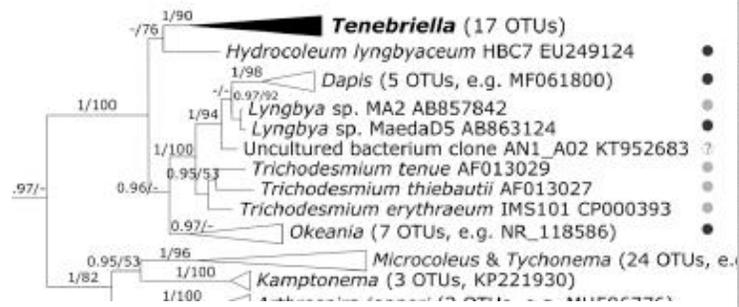
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## *Tenebriella* gen. nov. – The dark twin of *Oscillatoria*

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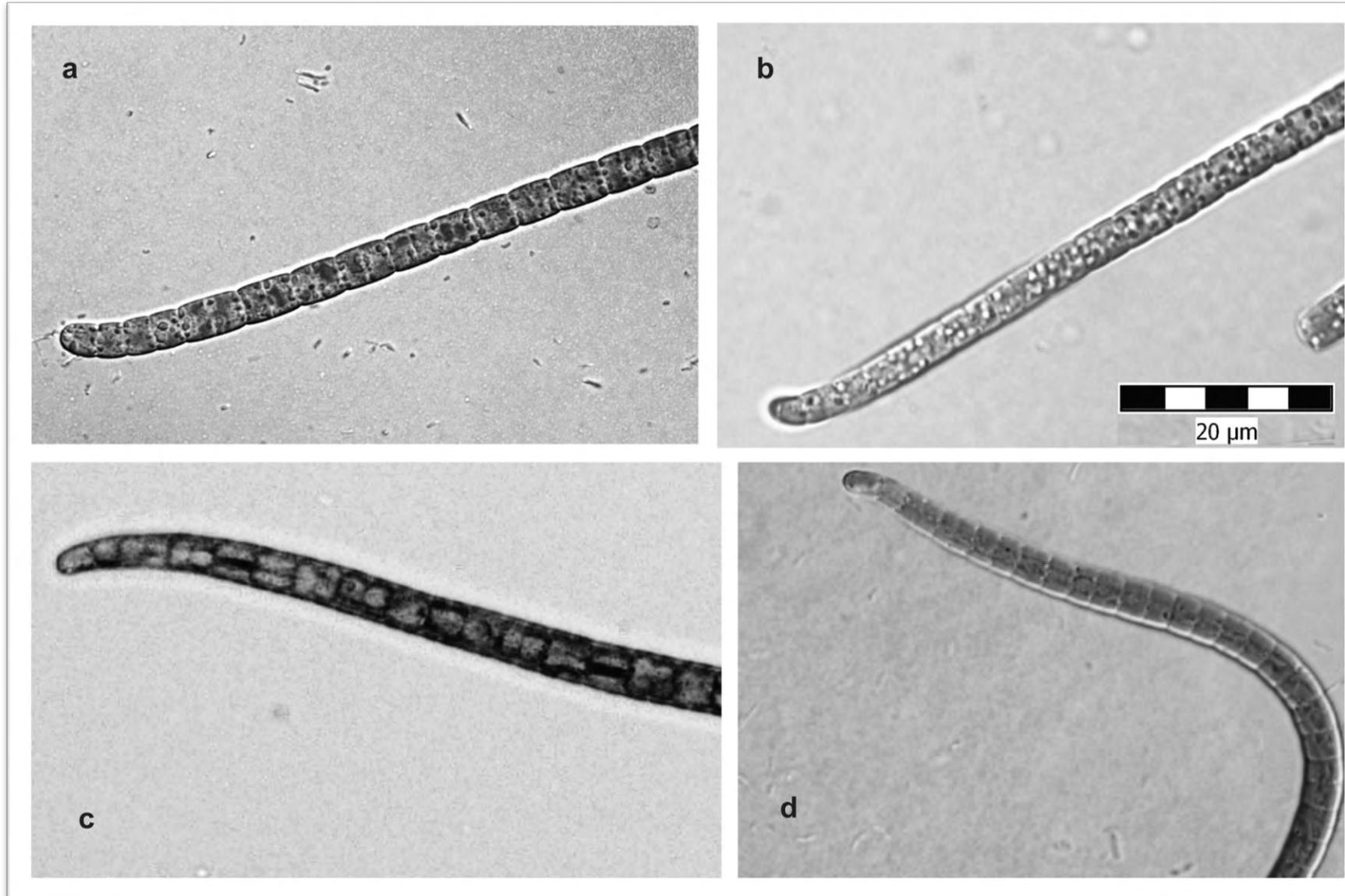


*Oscillatoria curviceps*  
Agardh ex Gomont 10-17 um

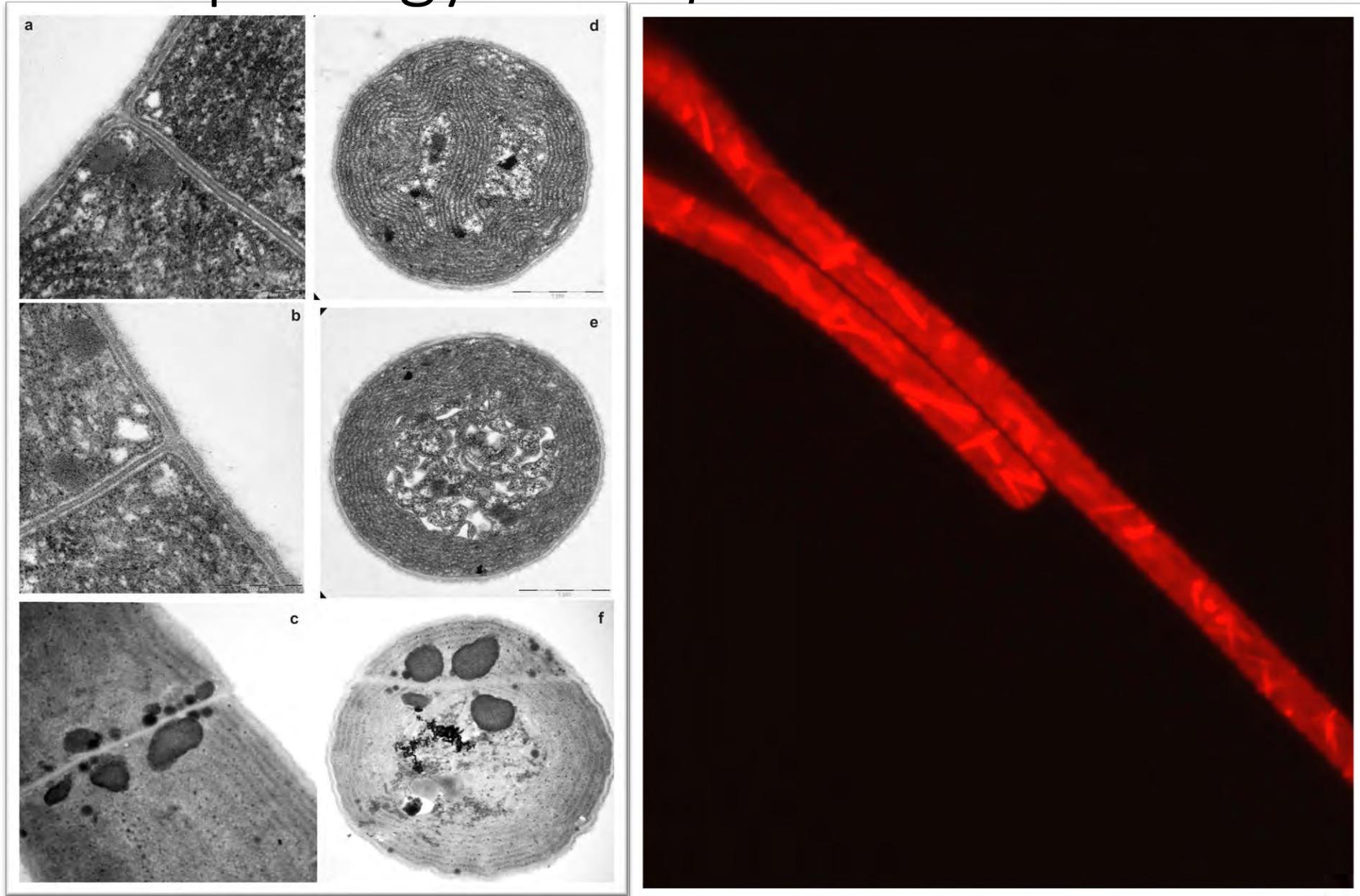
Fig. 1. The morphology of *T. amphibia* visualized by light microscope. A–E strain CCALA 1132; F–G Sicily Cemetery; H – RMCB18; I–K RMCB21, L–M Ute Lake; N – JM72/15; O–Q RMCB19; R – JM90-15; S–T RMCB16. The length of the scale bar is 10 μm.

# *Kamptonema*

= Bending filament



# Morphology - *Kamptonema*

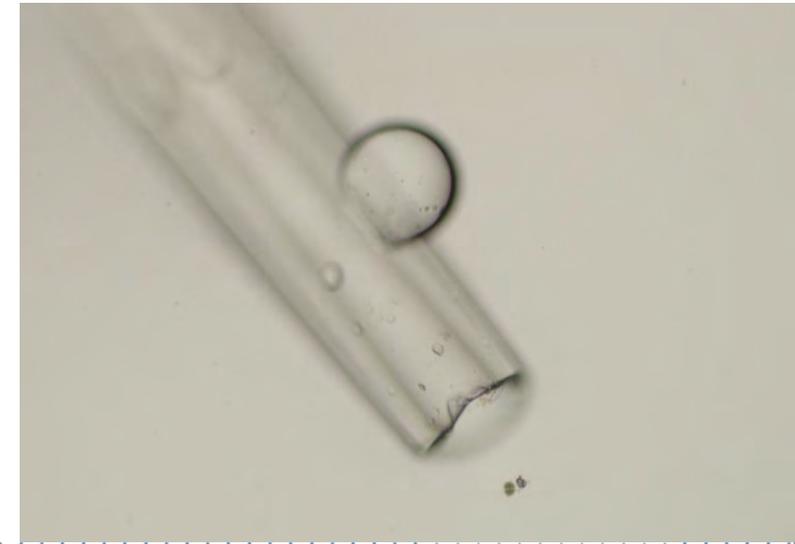
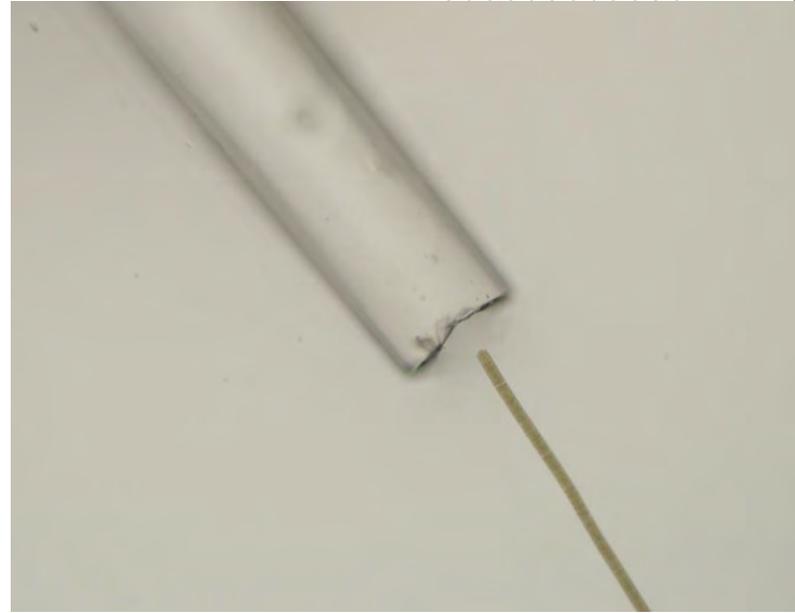


# Ecology - *Kamptonema*



## Conclusions:

- Optical microscopy remains quick, easy and reliable method
- But to be 100% sure and publish usable data connected with particular strain (population) the 16S rRNA is even better





(1) Length 17,77 μm

Thank you for your attention

20 μm

## ITEM IV

### Wrap Up

*Facilitators & Benthic HAB members*

