

A scanning electron micrograph (SEM) of a virus particle, likely a bacteriophage, showing a complex, multi-layered structure with many sharp, pointed protrusions radiating from a central core. The image is in grayscale, with the virus appearing as a bright, intricate mass against a dark background.

Towards the past

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Architectural and functional rearrangement of genomes and the life style

Features	Physiological adaptation	Mechanism
Free living <i>Acanthamoeba castellanii</i>	<p>Plasticity of gene expression (high activity)</p> <p>Big variety of serine/threonine kinases (environment)</p> <p>Acquirement of new genes (from surrounding bacteria)</p>	<p>Transcription regulation</p> <p>Gene diversification and organism adaptation</p> <p>Horizontal Gene Transfer</p>
Parasitic <i>Entamoeba histolytica</i>	<p>Minimizing biosynthesis (amino acids, pyrimidines)</p> <p>Increase of some genes copy number or number of orthologs (host lysis, phagocytosis)</p> <p>Specific physiology (oxygen level, host immunity)</p>	<p>Gene lost</p> <p>Gene duplication</p> <p>Diversification, adaptation, transcription machinery</p>



Entamoeba histolytica

Acanthamoeba castellanii

Genome

8163 protein coding genes
20 Mbases

vs

14974 protein coding genes
42 Mbases

Number of ribosomal proteins with multiple (3-5) gene copy number

44

vs

4

Gene copy number for each aminoacyl-tRNA ligase

1

vs

2-4

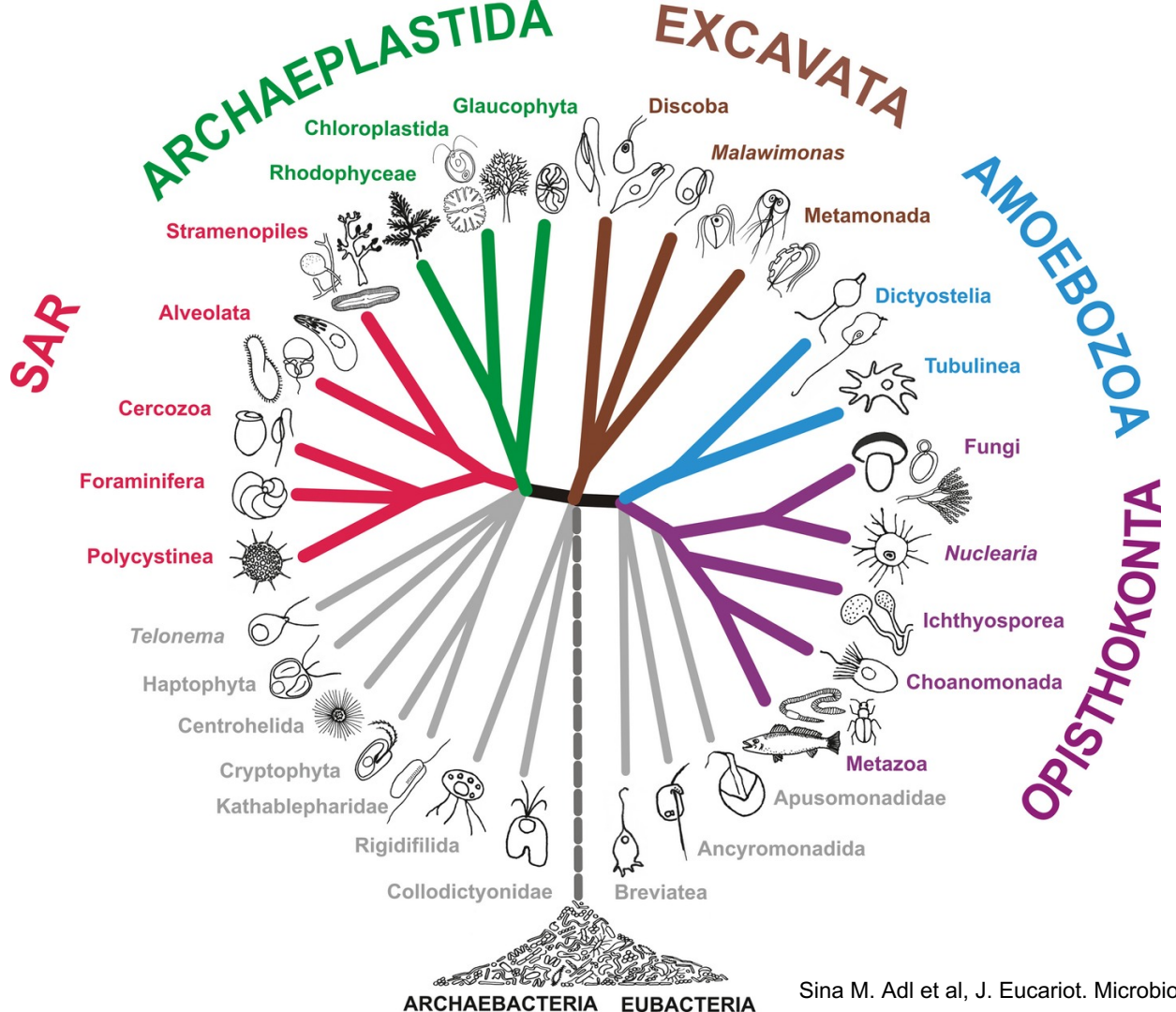
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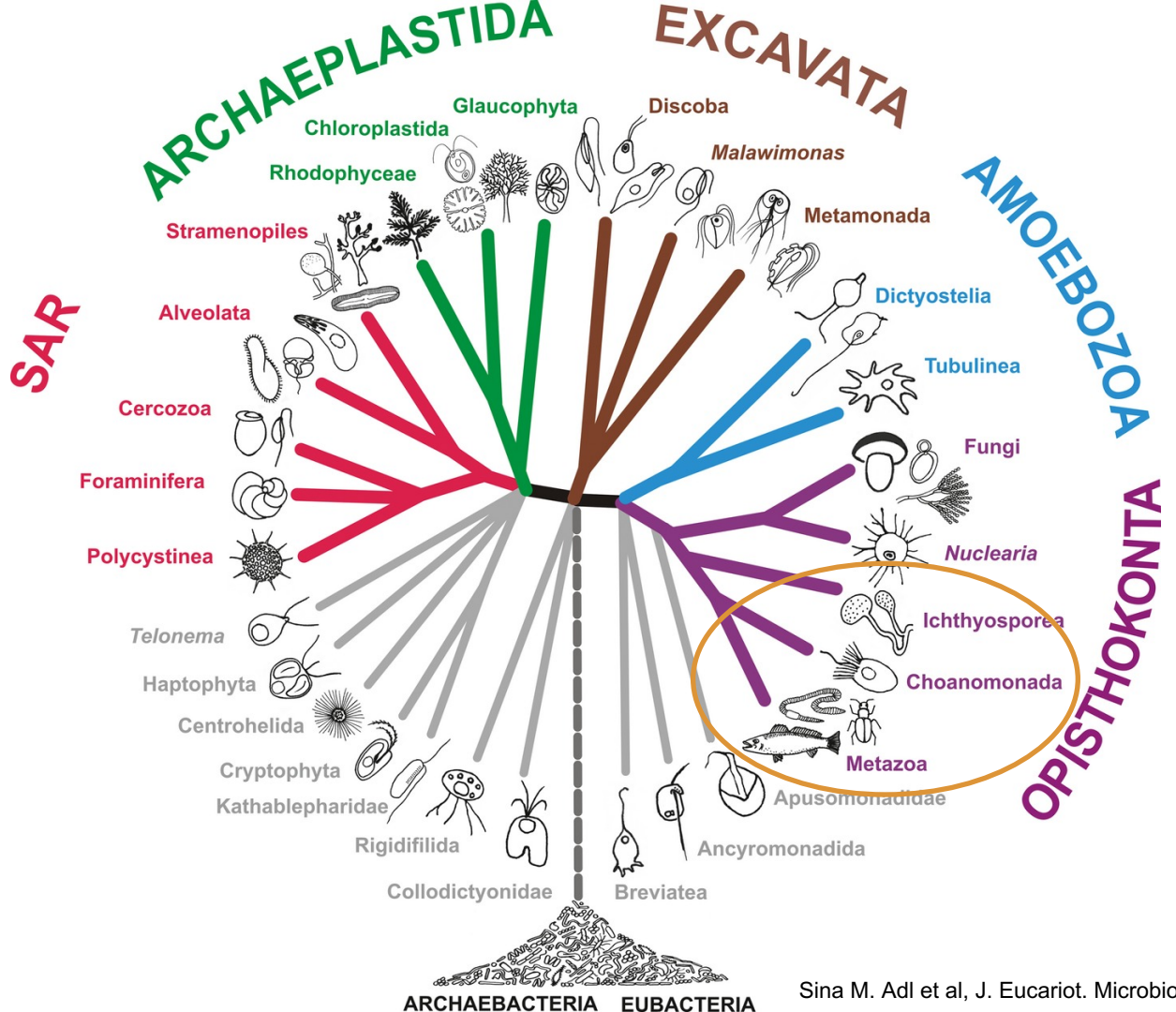
- *Eh* and *Ac* underwent expansion of **different genes families**
- **High efficiency** in genome usage of *Entamoeba*: stable translation levels, intensified transcription machinery, high gene copy number
- New step towards learning about “**ribosomal code**”
- Saving on energy metabolism: **minimized** activity in pathways related to **pyrimidines** in *Eh*
- Unique cytoskeletal proteins in *Eh* (possibly compensation for the lost of ER)
- **Highly** expressed proteins/whole orthology clusters in both amoebas with yet unknown functions

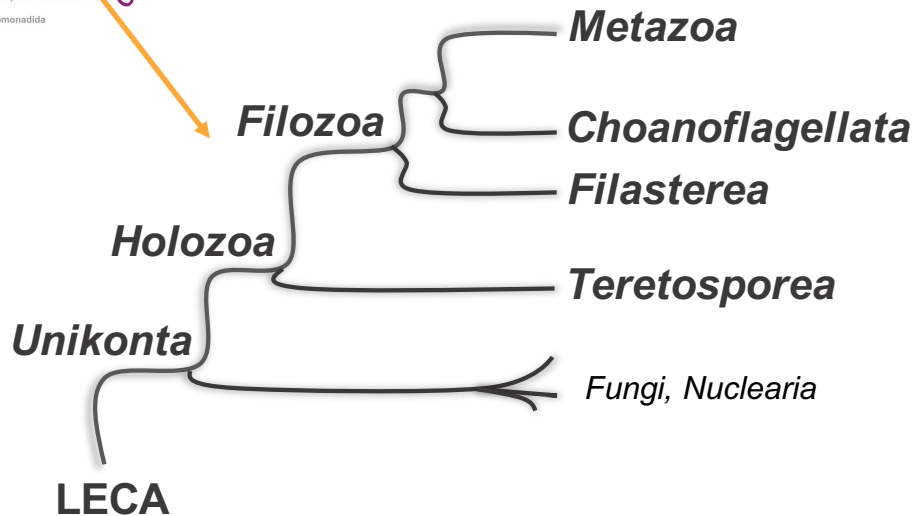
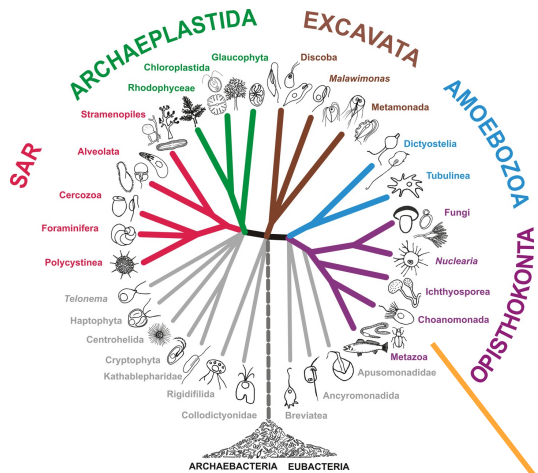
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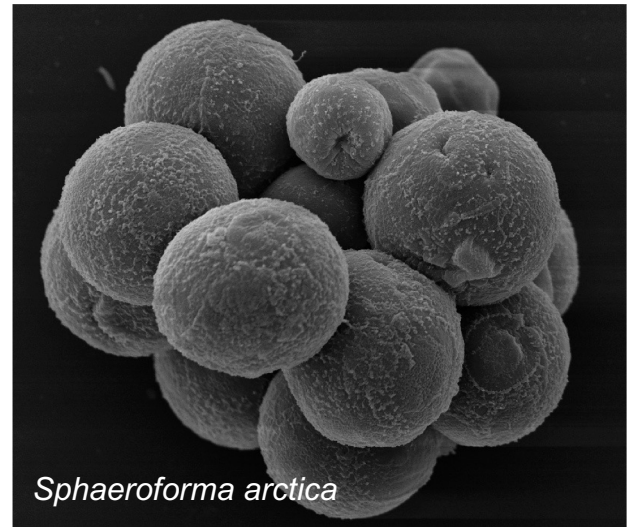
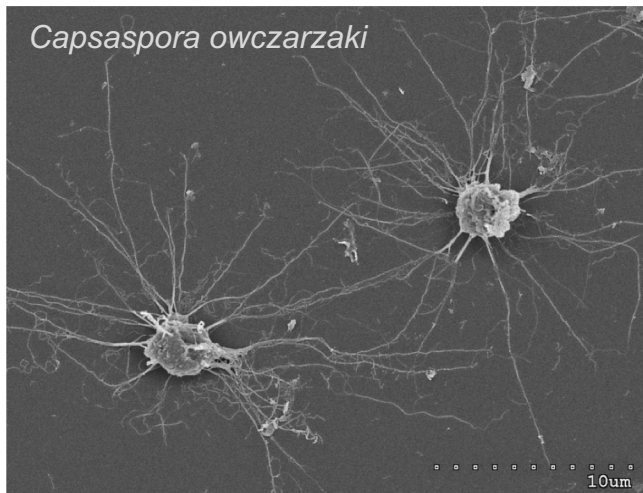
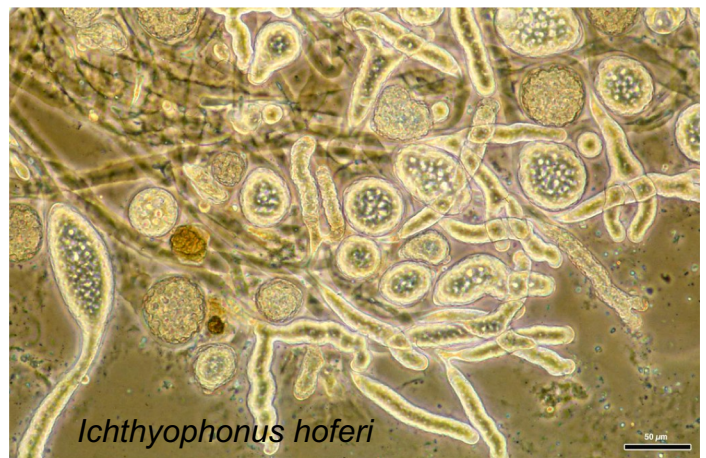
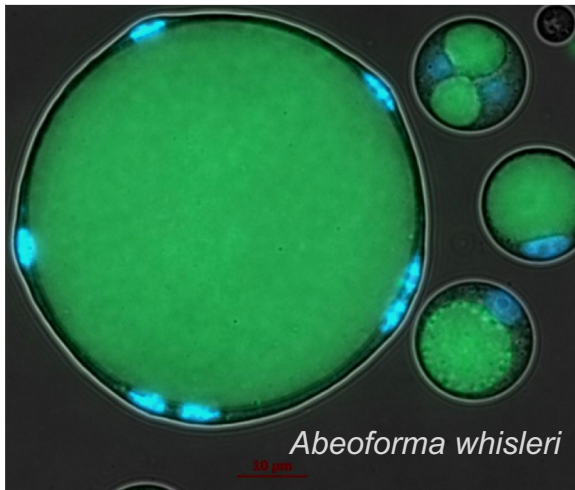
Environmental adaptation of *Acanthamoeba castellanii* and *Entamoeba histolytica* at genome level as seen by comparative genomic analysis.

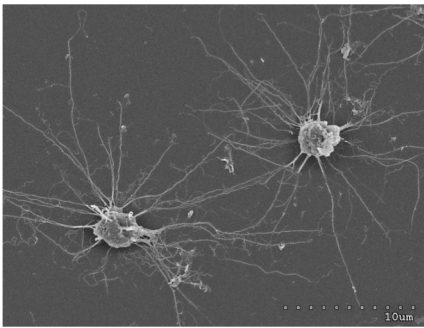
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Complex genome structure

Transcription regulation

Cell type specific phosphosignalling

Cell type specific long ncRNAs

Alternative splicing

Cell type specific histone marks

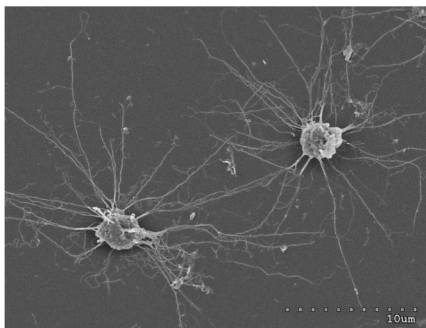
Animal specific proteins:

c-type lectins, cadherins, integrins (cell adhesion)

Some tyrosine kinases responsible for cells communication

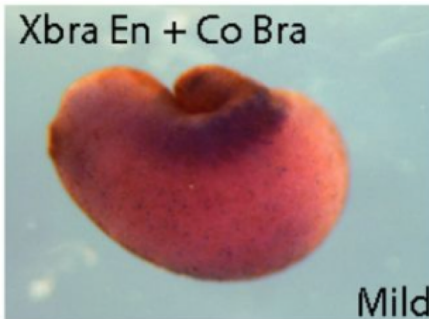
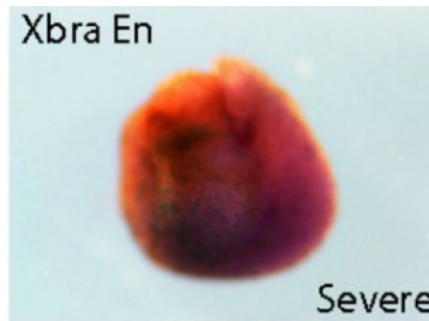
Myc, Runx and T-box TF (developmental regulation in animals)

P53 (tumor antigen)



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Sebe-Pedros et al, PNAS, 2013



Xbra En – defected Brachyury
 Xbra – xenopus mRNA rescue
 Co Bra – capsaspora mRNA rescue
 Co Tbx3 – T-box3 mRNA rescue

Ways of evolution:

Re-use of molecular mechanisms and pathways

Domain shuffling and alternative splicing – new genes

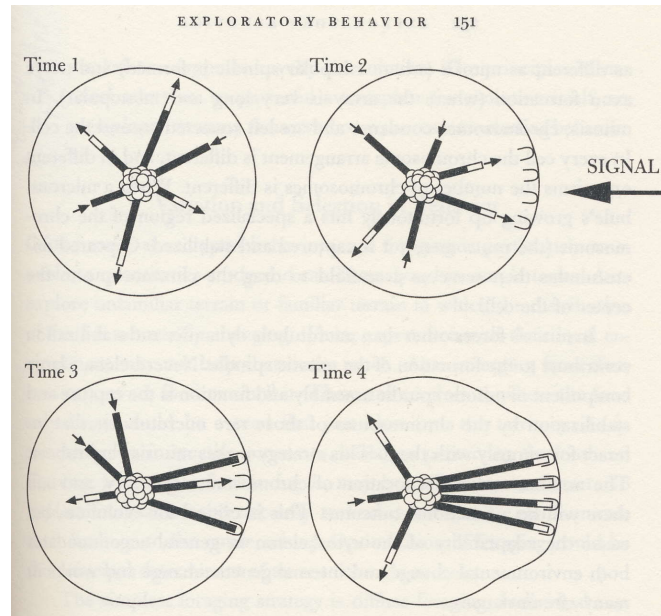
Exploratory behavior, physiological adaptation

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“The plausibility of life”

M. W. Kirschner & J. C. Gerhart

Yale University Press, 2005

Long read sequencing

species	Scaffold count	Scaffold N50, bases	technology	Coverage	year
<i>Limulus Polyphemus</i> (horseshoe crab)	286 792	254 089	Roche 454	18x	2014
<i>Octopus bimaculoides</i>	151 674	475 182	Illumina HiSeq 2000	92x	2015
<i>Amphimedon queenslandica</i> (sponge)	13 397	120 365	Sanger	8x	2010
<i>Phascolarctos cinereus</i> (koala)	1 906	11 587 828	PacBio	57.3x	2017
<i>Ornithorhynchus anatinus</i> (platypus)	304	83 338 043	PacBio RSII, 10X Genomics, Bionano Genomics DLS, Dovetail Genomics HiC, Arima Genomics	58.5x	2019

