

# Kingdom Protista

# Module IV :Kingdom Protista

- Salient features and classification up to phyla
- **Type: Paramecium**

- 1. Phylum Rhizopoda
- : Amoeba
- 2. Phylum Actinopoda
- : Actinophrys
- 3. Phylum Dinoflagellata
- : Noctiluca
- 4. Phylum Parabasalia
- : Trychonympha
- 5. Phylum Metamonada
- : Giardia
- 6. Phylum Kinetoplasta
- : Trypanosoma
- 7. Phylum Euglenophyta
- : Euglena
- 8. Phylum Cryptophyta
- : Cryptomonas
- 9. Phylum Opalinata
- : Opalina
- 10. Phylum Bacillariophyta
- : Diatoms
- 11. Phylum Chlorophyta
- : Volvox
- 12. Phylum Choanoflagellata
- : Proterospongia
- 13. Phylum Ciliophora
- : Paramecium
- 14. Phylum Sporozoa
- : Plasmodium
- 15. Phylum Microsporidia
- : Nosema
- 16. Phylum Rhodophyta
- : Red Alga
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# Phylum Rhizopoda

- Example Amoeba
- Pseudopodia
- Cytoplasm differentiation
- Cytoplasm streaming
- Holozoic nutrition

# Phylum Actinopoda

- Example: *Actinophrys sol*
- Freshwater
- Silicious, perforated exoskeleton

# Phylum Dinoflagellata

- Example: *Noctiluca* and *Ceratium*
- Marine
- Redtides

# Phylum *Parabasalia*



# *Trichonympha*

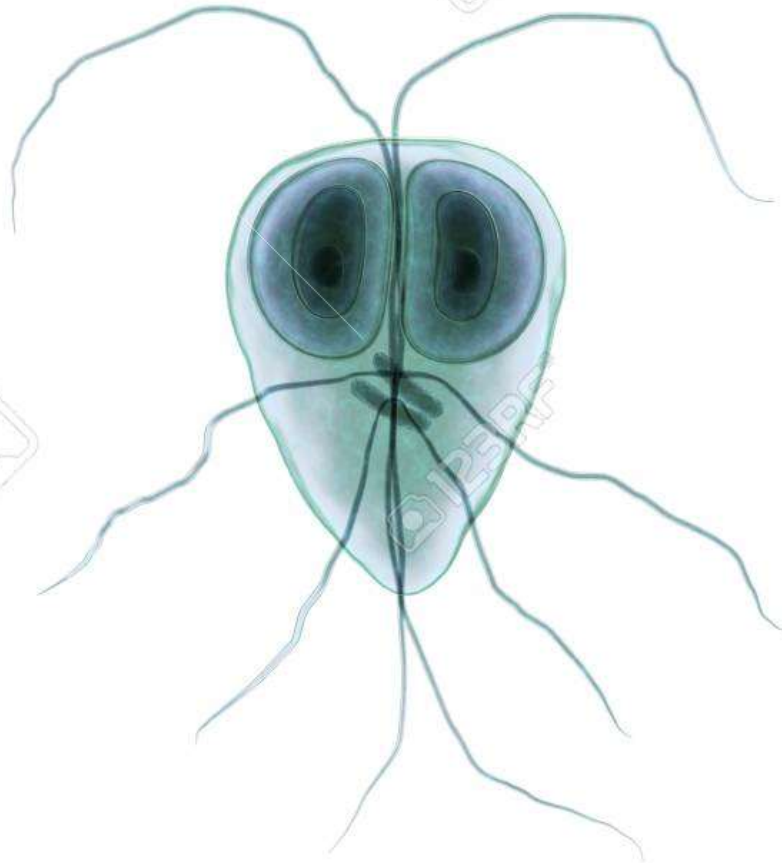
- *Trichonympha* sp. is an anaerobic symbiotic flagellate, which is part of the parabasalid group, within the supergroup Excavata. Parabasalids are characterized by parabasal fibers that link their basal bodies to Golgi complexes. *Trichonympha* sp. cells are typically ~100  $\mu\text{m}$  long and lack mitochondria



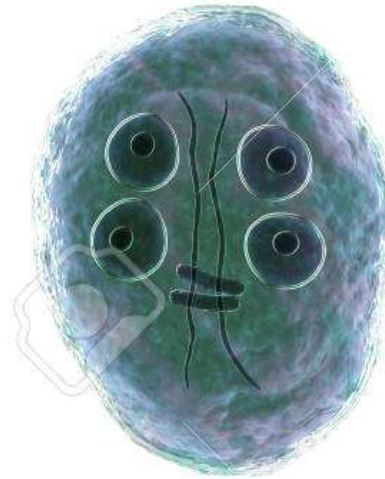
# Phylum Metamonada

- **Flagellated protists with 2, 4, 8 flagella**
- **They lack mitochondria**
- **Mostly intestinal parasites**
- **Example: *Giardia lamblia*, also known as *Giardia intestinalis***
- **Absorb their nutrients from the lumen of the small intestine, and are anaerobes**
- **Bilaterally symmetrical body**

# GIARDIA INTESTINALIS



**Trophozoite**



**Cyst**



# Phylum Kinetoplasta

- Body covered with pellicle, beneath cell membrane, which gives the individual its shape
- Single nucleus
- Undifferentiated cytoplasm
- Reproduction by longitudinal fission

# *Trypanosoma gambiense*

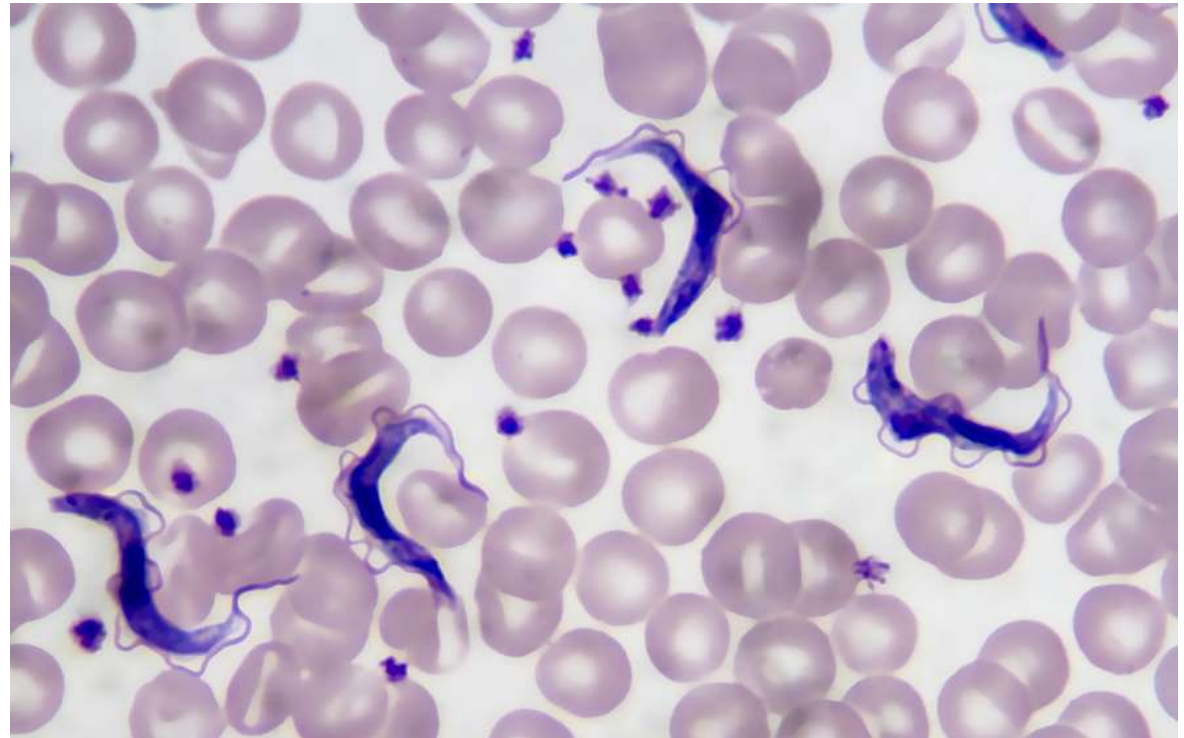
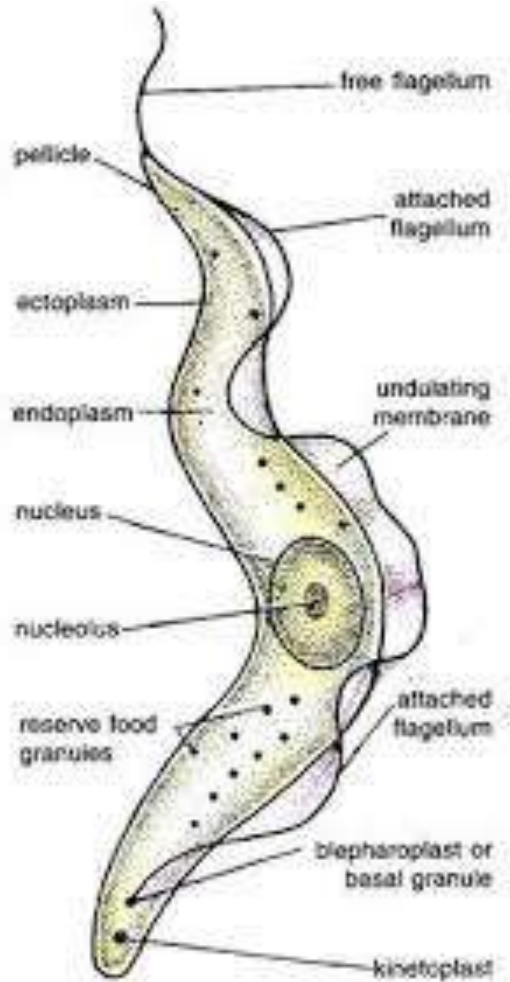


Fig. 13.3. *Trypanosoma gambiense*.

# ***Trypanosoma gambiense* Dutton, 1902**

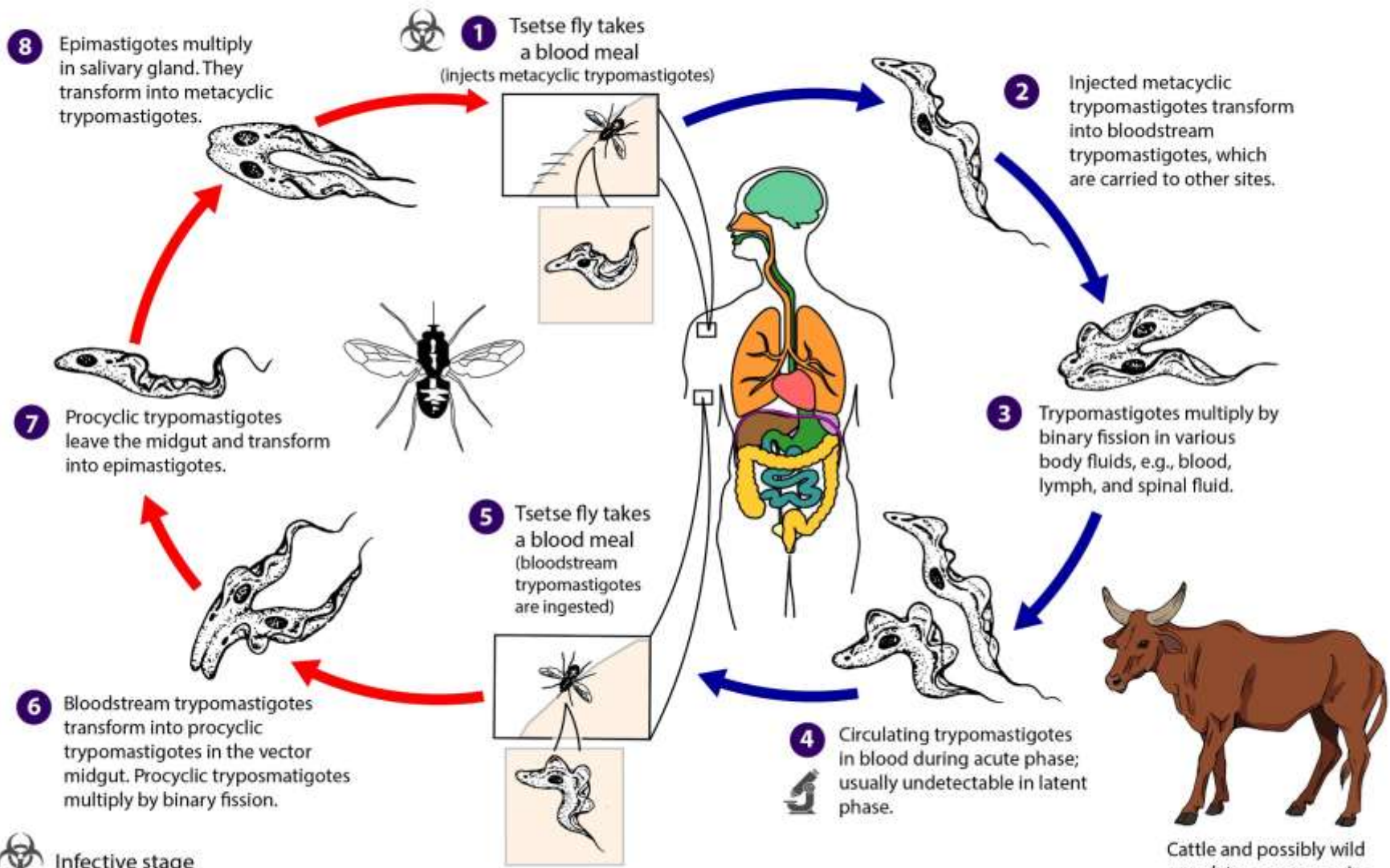
- **ETYMOLOGY:** This parasite was named after its location along the Gambia river in West Africa.
- **SYNONYMS:** *Trypanosoma ugandense* Castellani, 1903; *Trypanosome castellanii*, Kruse, 1903; *Trypanosoma hominis* Manson, 1903; *Trypanosoma fordii* Maxwell-Adms, 1903; *Trypanosoma nepveui* Sambon, 1903; *Trypanosoma tullochii* Minichin, 1907; *Trypanosoma rovumense* Beck & Weck, 1913; *Trypanosoma nigeriense* Macfie, 1913; *Castellanella gambiense* (Dutton, 1902) Chalmers, 1918.
- This is the causative organism of classical "Sleeping Sickness" in humans. This trypanosome was first discovered in human blood in 1901 by Forde, and Dutton proposed the name *Trypanosoma gambiense* in 1902.
- **LOCATION IN THE HOST:** This is a parasite of the blood and tissue fluids (Fig 1-30); it has not been observed in naturally infected cats.

# African Trypanosomiasis

*Trypanosoma brucei gambiense* & *Trypanosoma brucei rhodesiense*

## Tsetse Fly Stages

## Mammalian Stages



Infective stage

Diagnostic stage

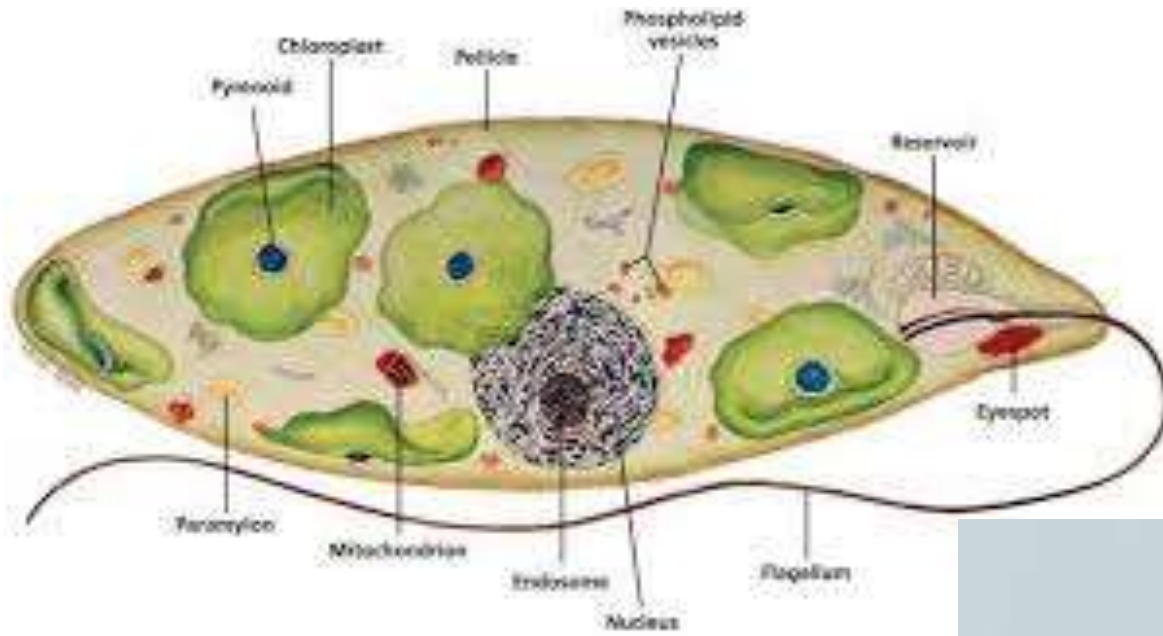
Cattle and possibly wild ungulates are reservoirs for *T. b. rhodesiense*.

# Phylum Euglenophyta

- Species of *Euglena* are found in freshwater and salt water. They are often abundant in quiet inland waters where they may bloom in numbers sufficient to color the surface of ponds and ditches green (*E. viridis*) or red (*E. sanguinea*).
- The species *Euglena gracilis* has been used extensively in the laboratory as a model organism



# *Euglena*



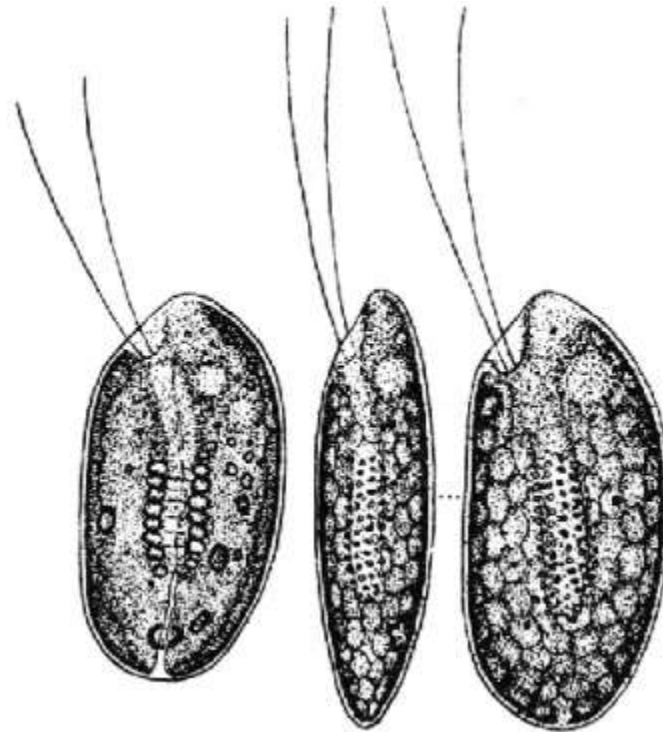
# Phylum Cryptophyta

- Biflagellate, unicellular, algal protist
- Example: *Cryptomonas*, *Rhodomonas*

# *Cryptomonas*



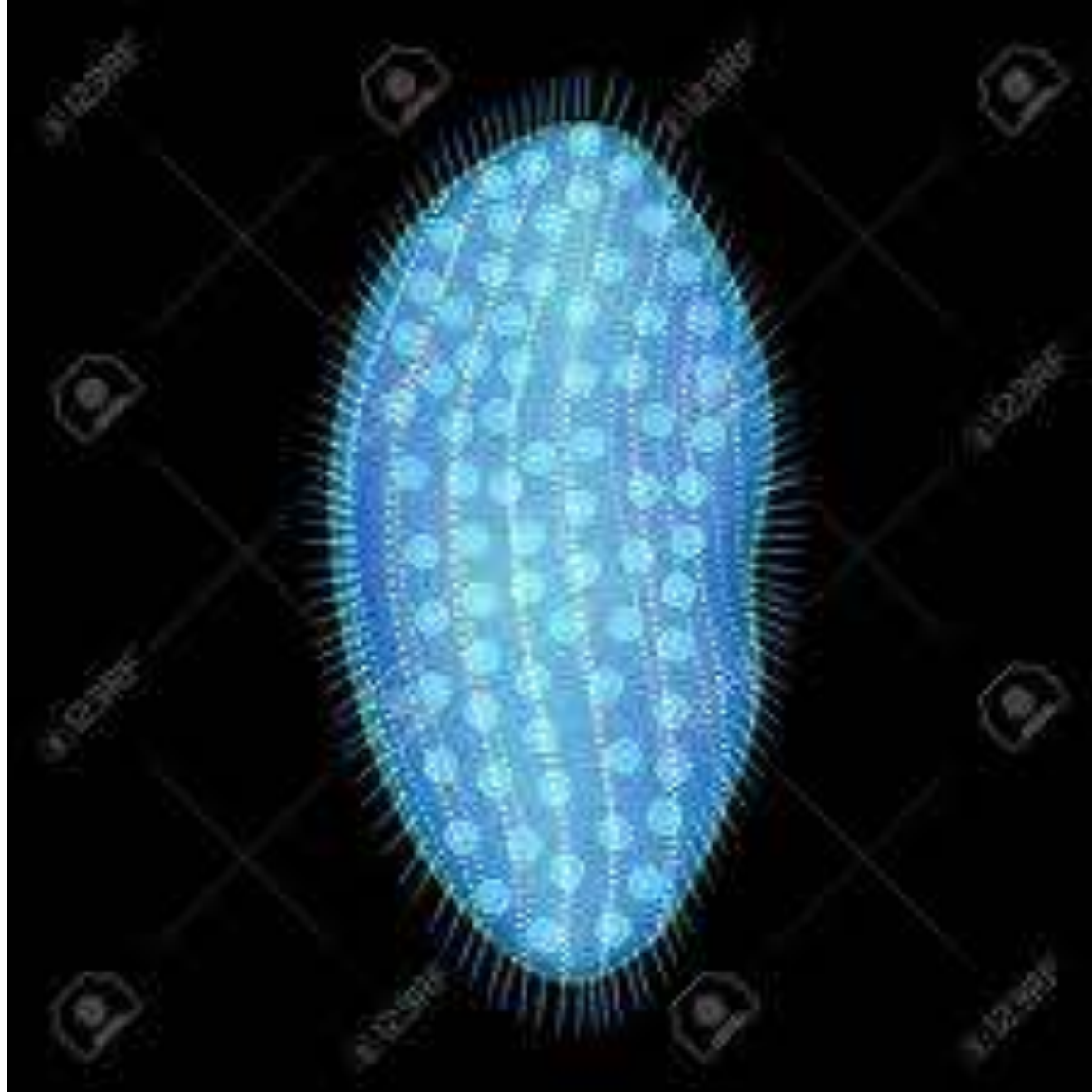
# *Cryptomonas ovata*



# *Rhodomonas*



# Phylum: Opalinata



# Phylum Bacillariophyta

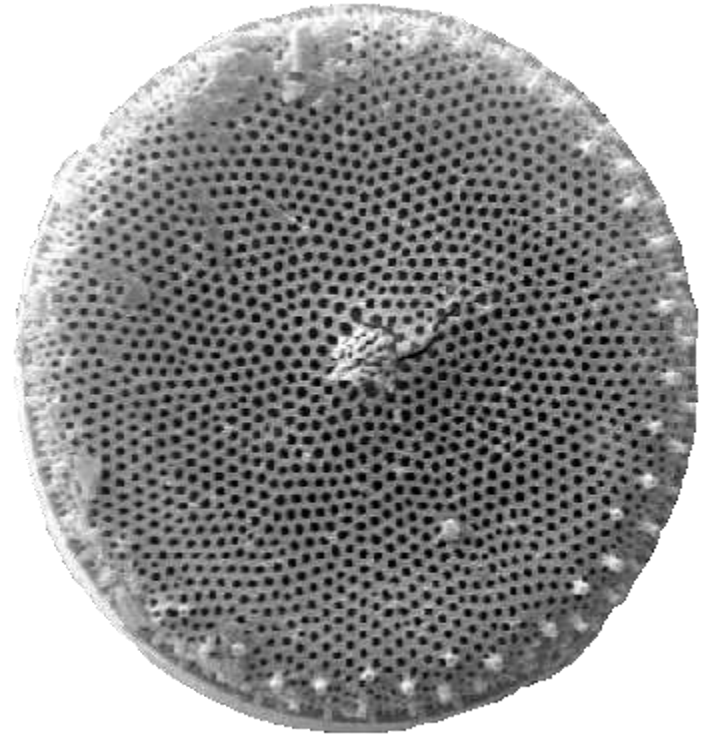
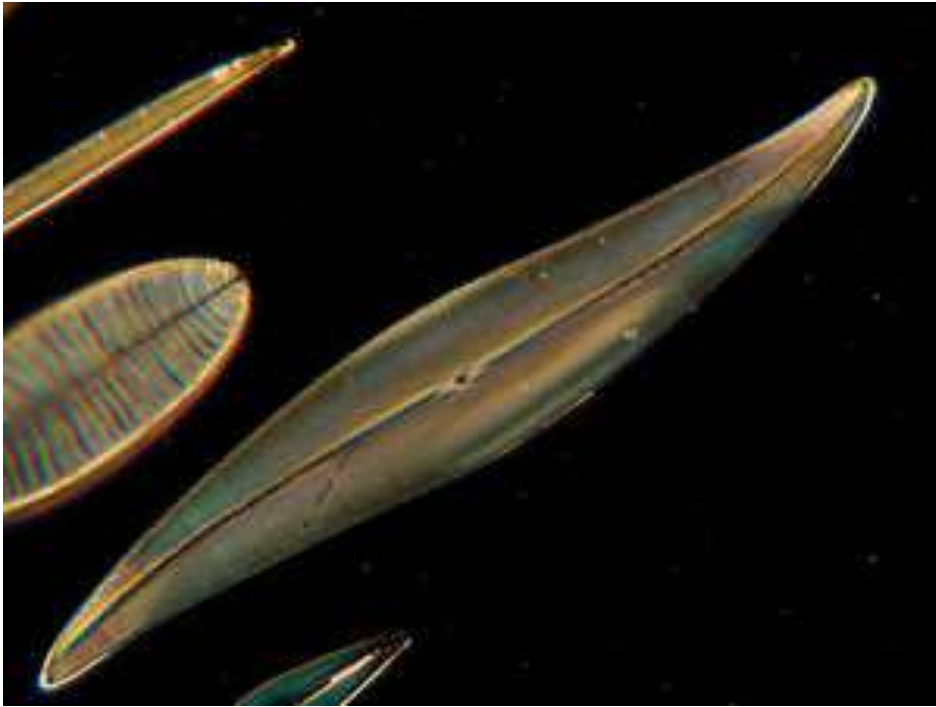
- They are among the most important aquatic microorganisms : they are extremely abundant both in the plankton and in sediments in marine and freshwater ecosystems, and because they are photosynthetic they are an important food source for marine organisms.
- Some may even be found in soils or on moist mosses.

# Diatoms



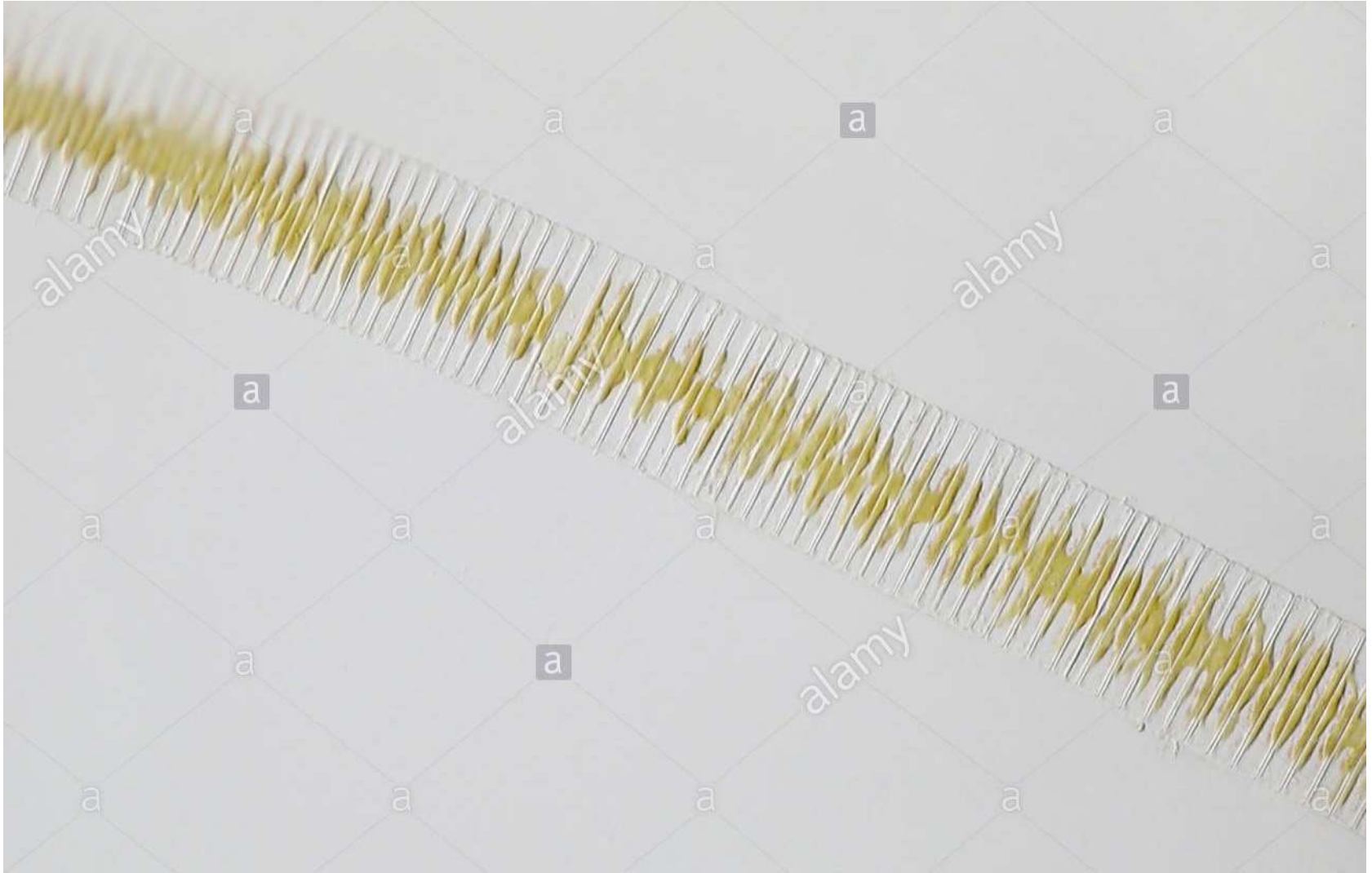


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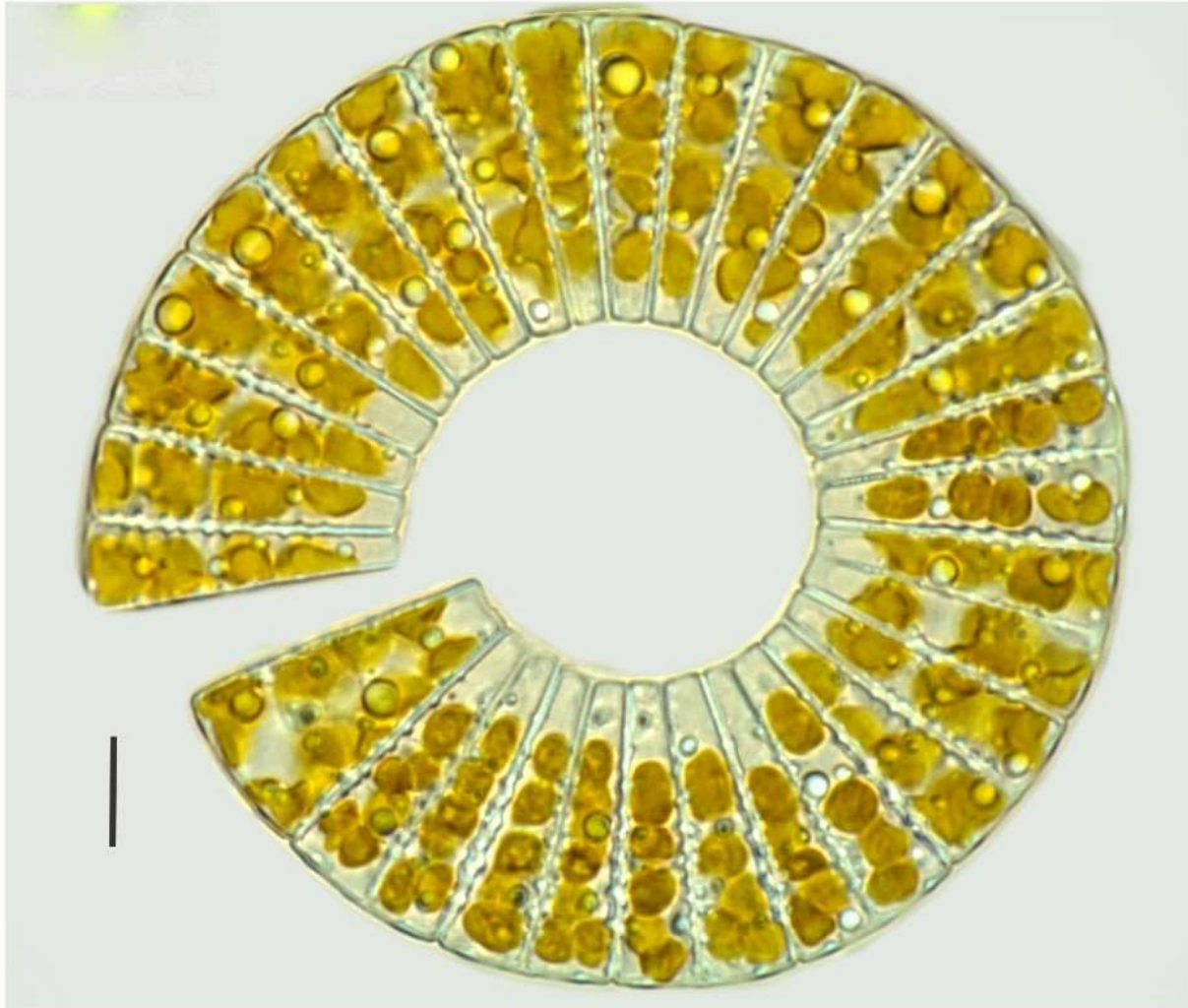




# *Fragillaria*

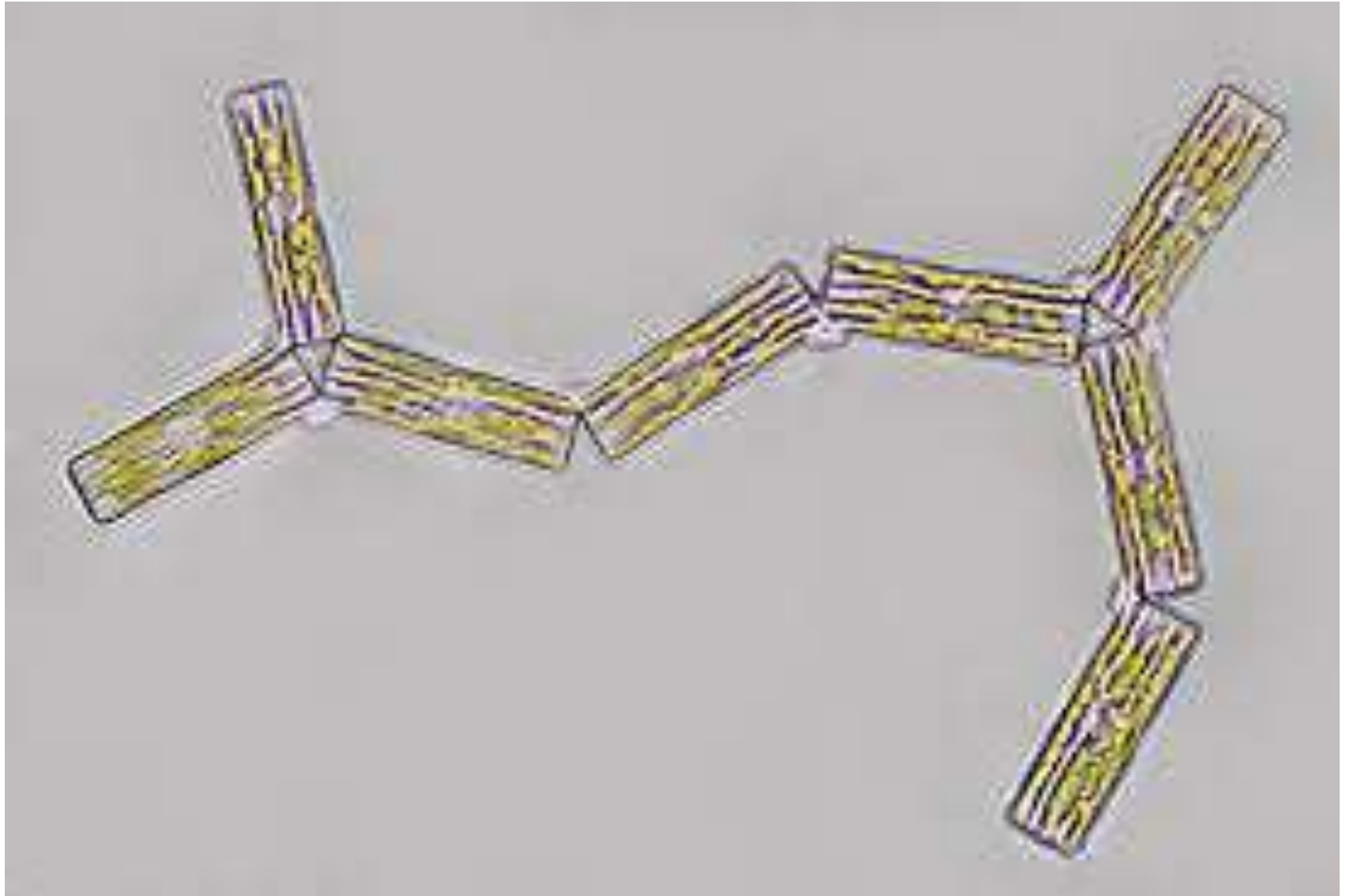


# *Meridion circulare*

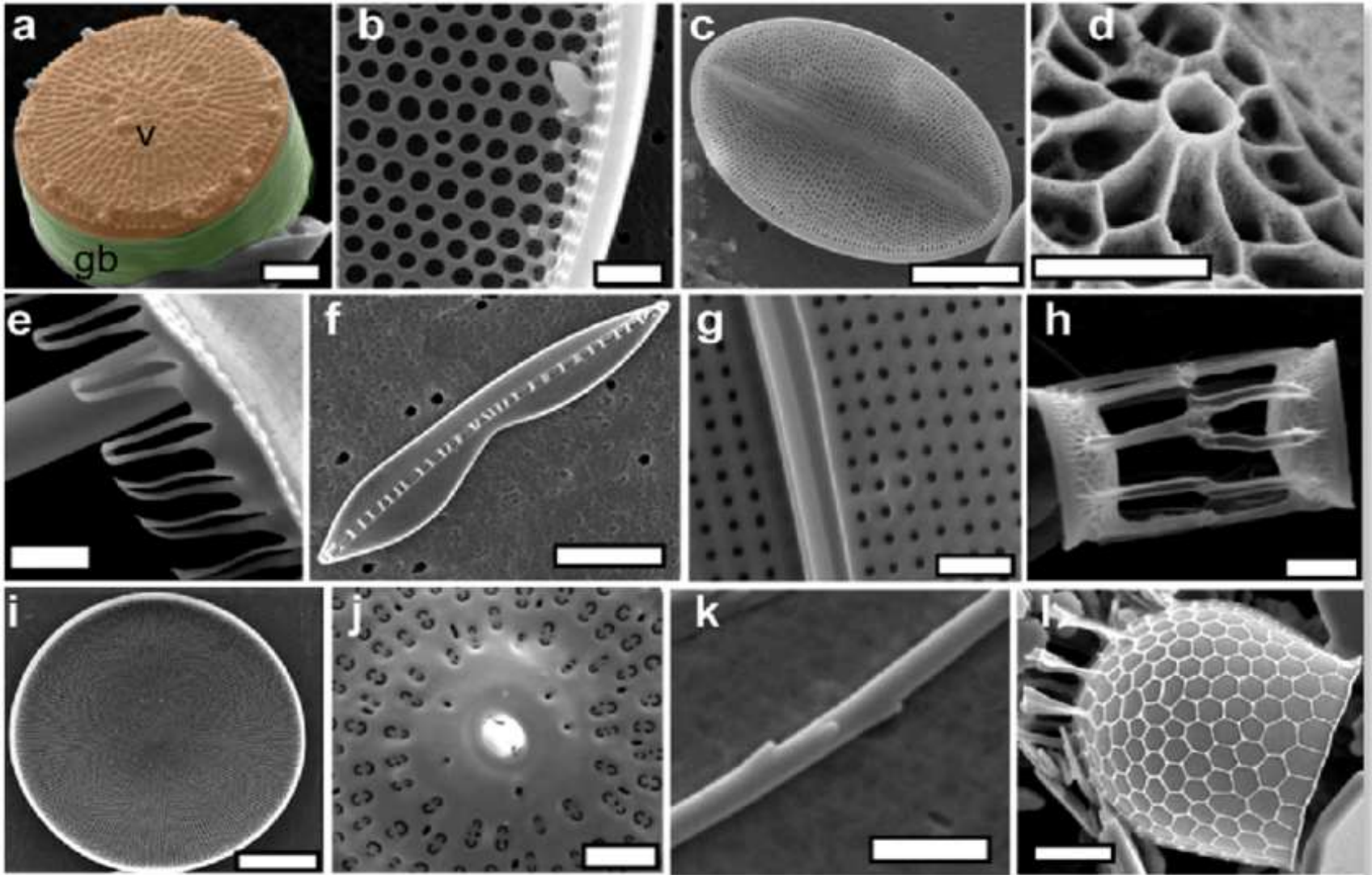


Scaldwell feeder stream, Pitsford Water, Northamptonshire, UK  
Chris Carter

# *Tabellaria*



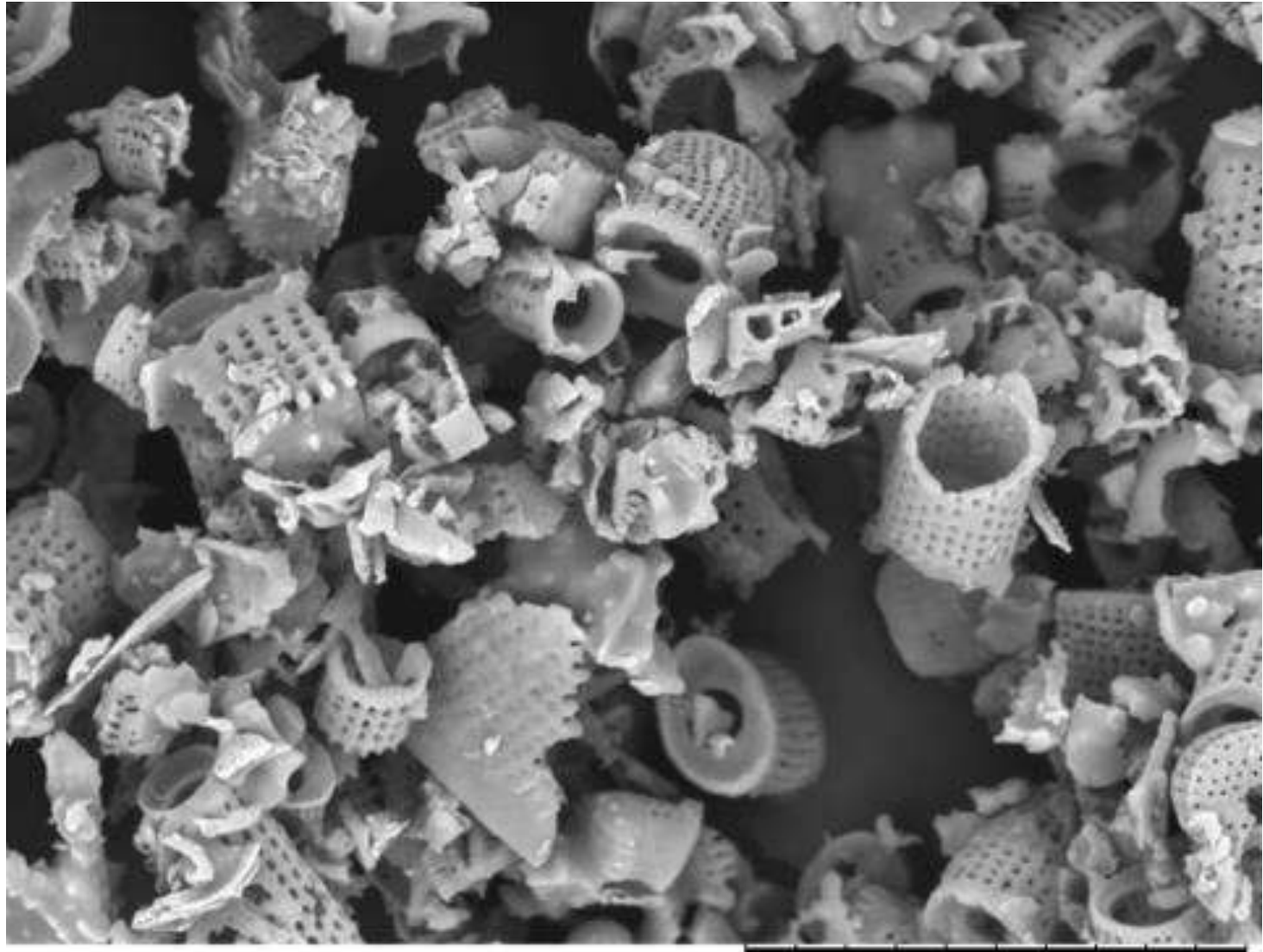
# Diatom frustule



# Diatomaceous earth



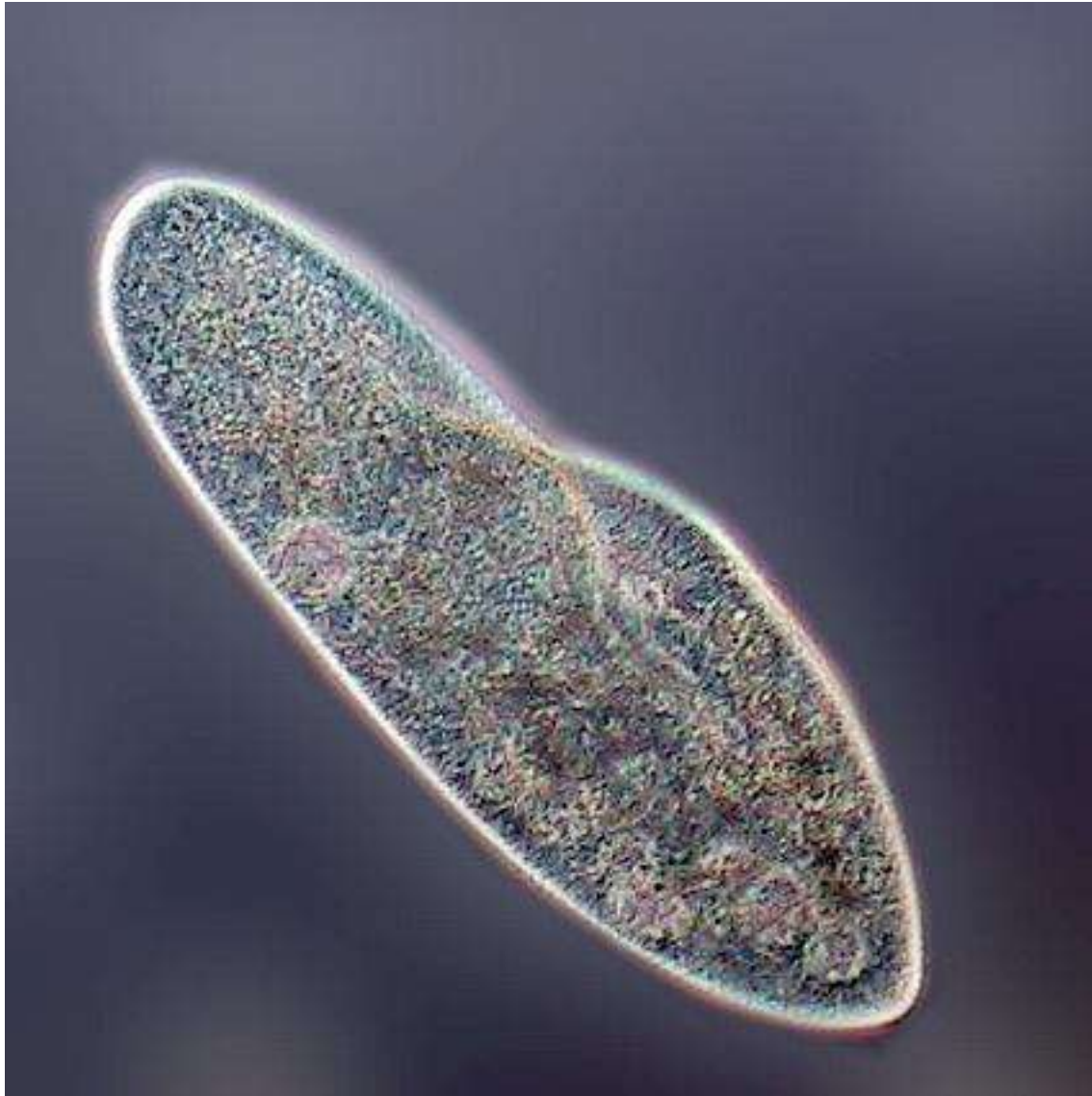
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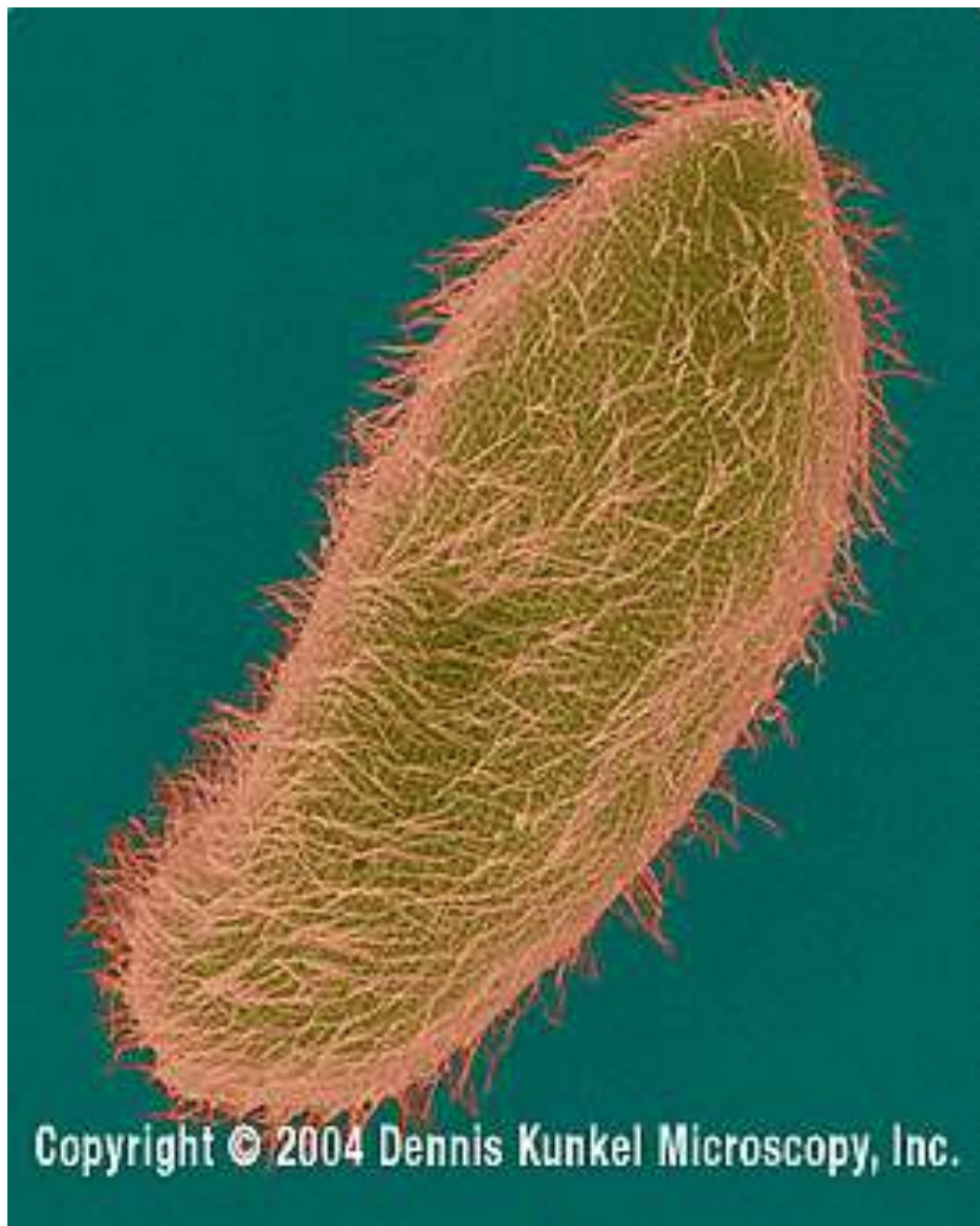


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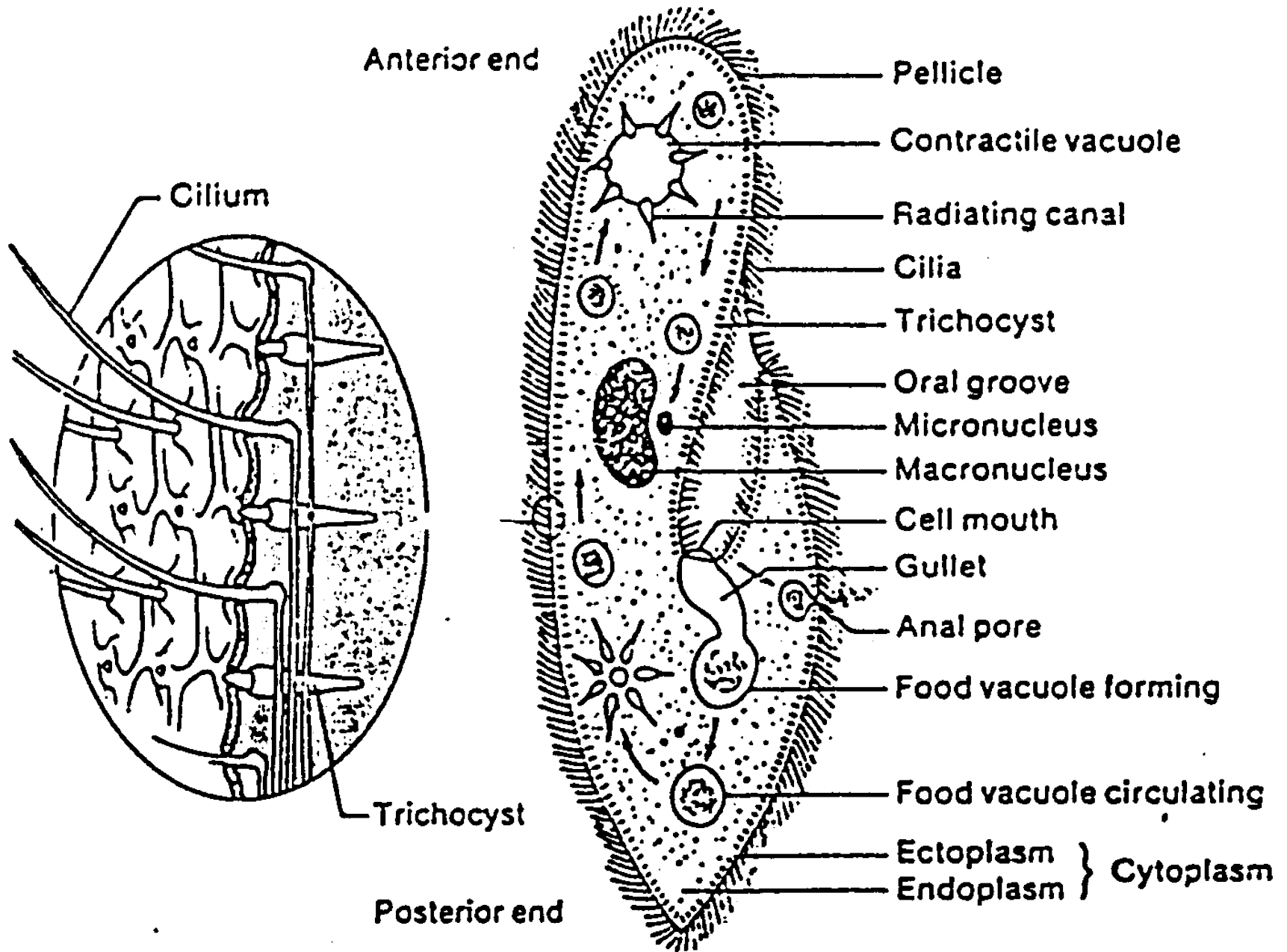


# Phylum Ciliophora





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# *Paramecium caudatum*



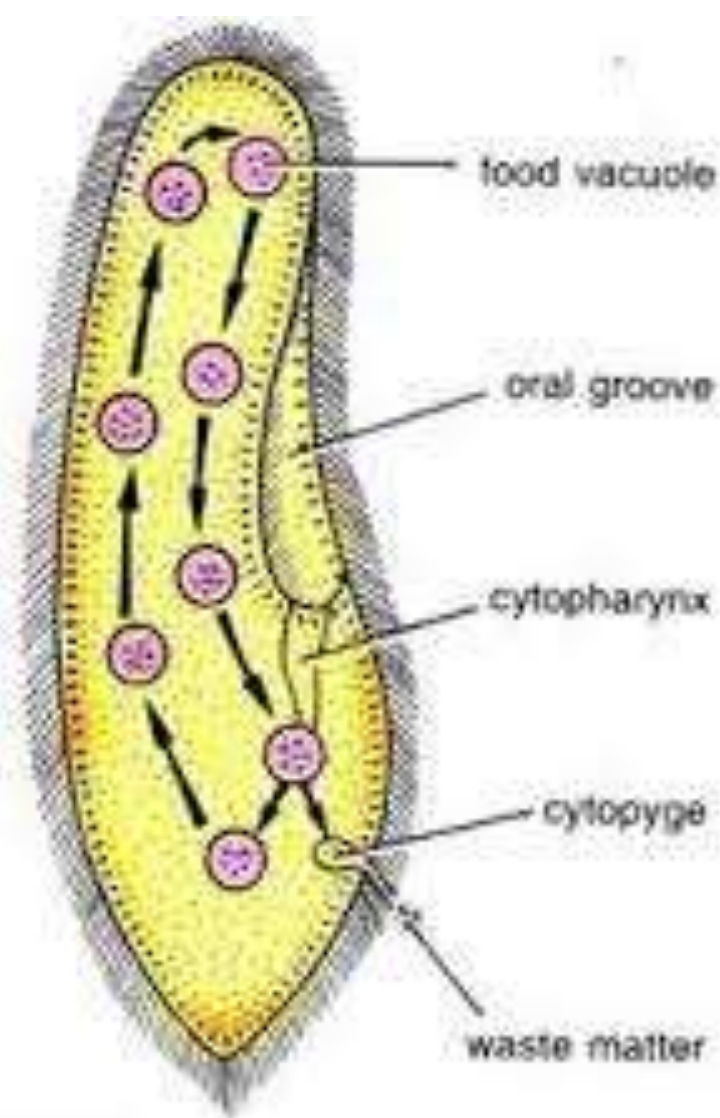
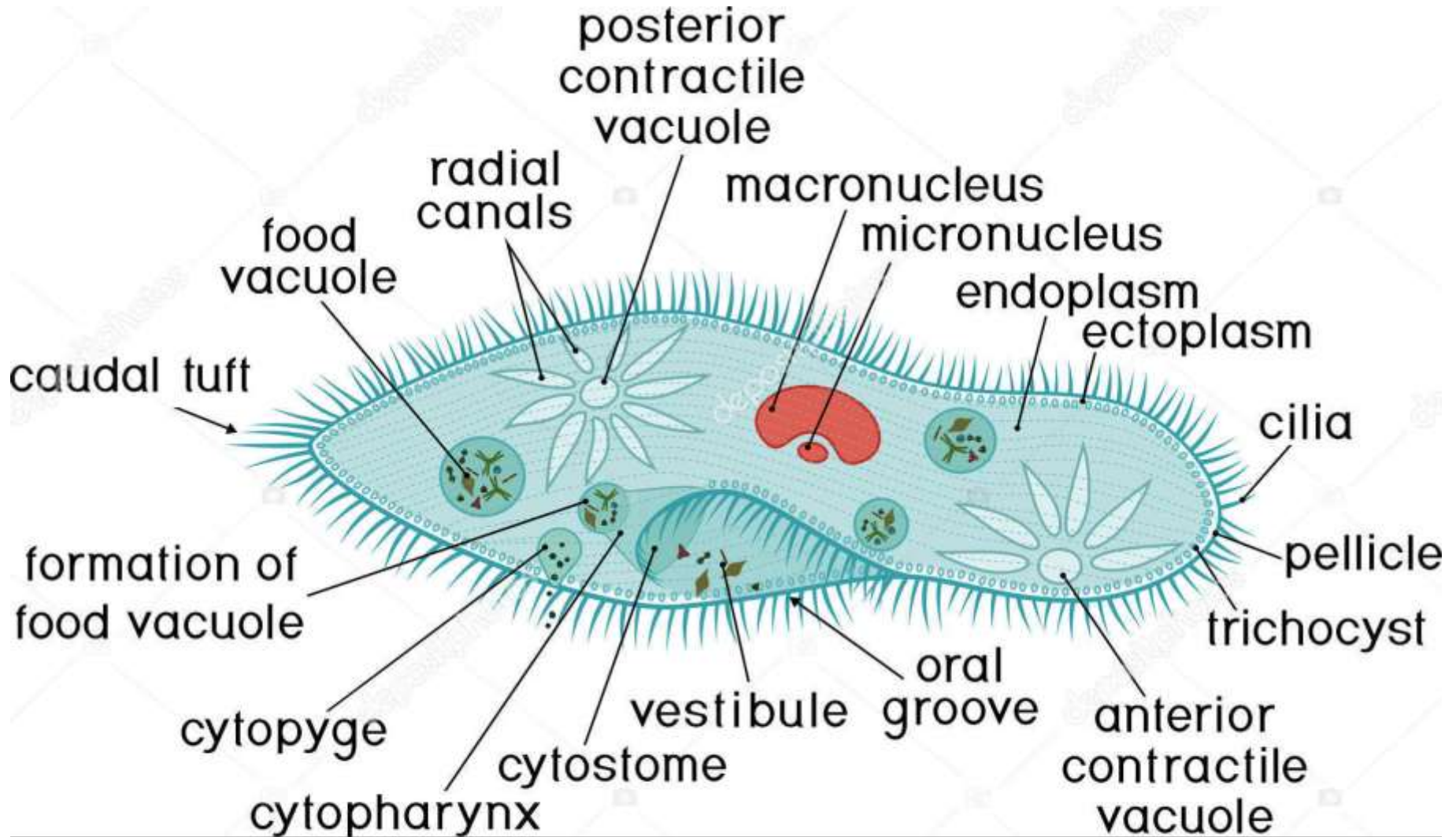
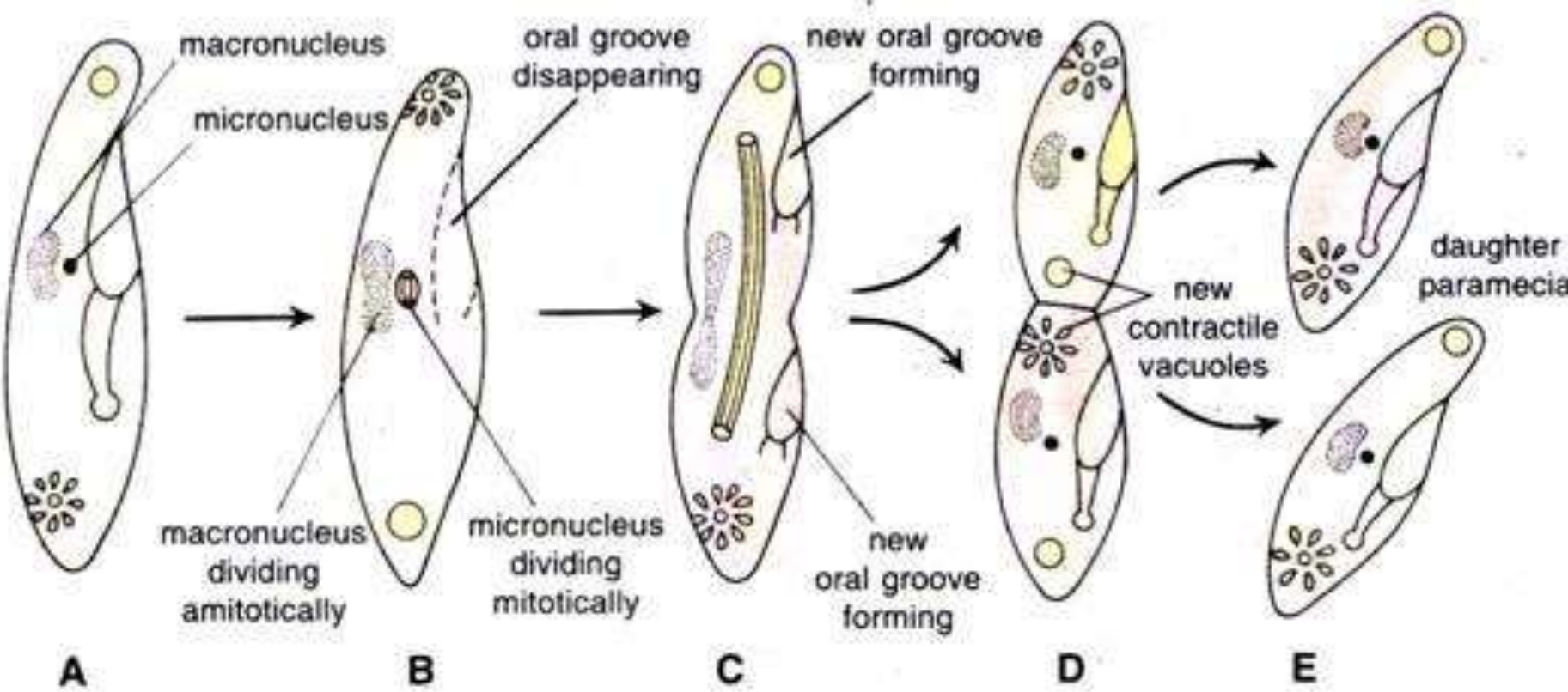


Fig. 20.17. *Paramecium*. Showing cyclosis and the course of food vacuoles in the endoplasm.

# *Paramecium*





**Fig. 20.20. *Paramecium caudatum*. Binary fission.**