

Towards a monograph of *Russula* in the eastern USA



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Macrofungi of Costa Rica

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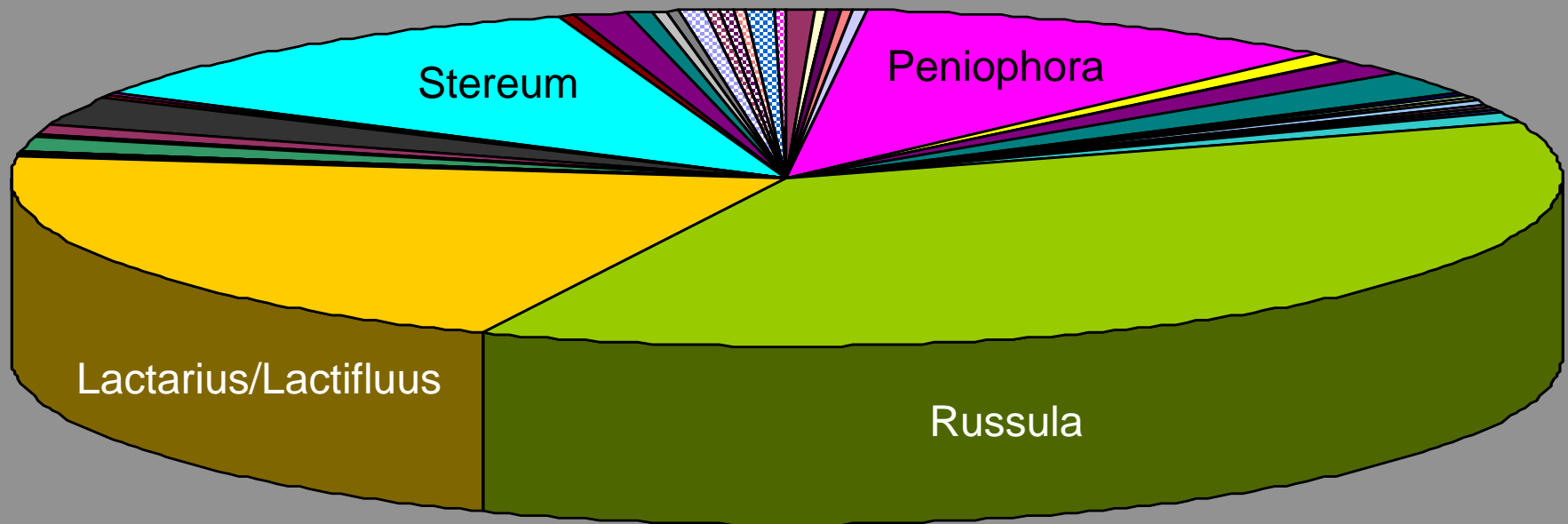
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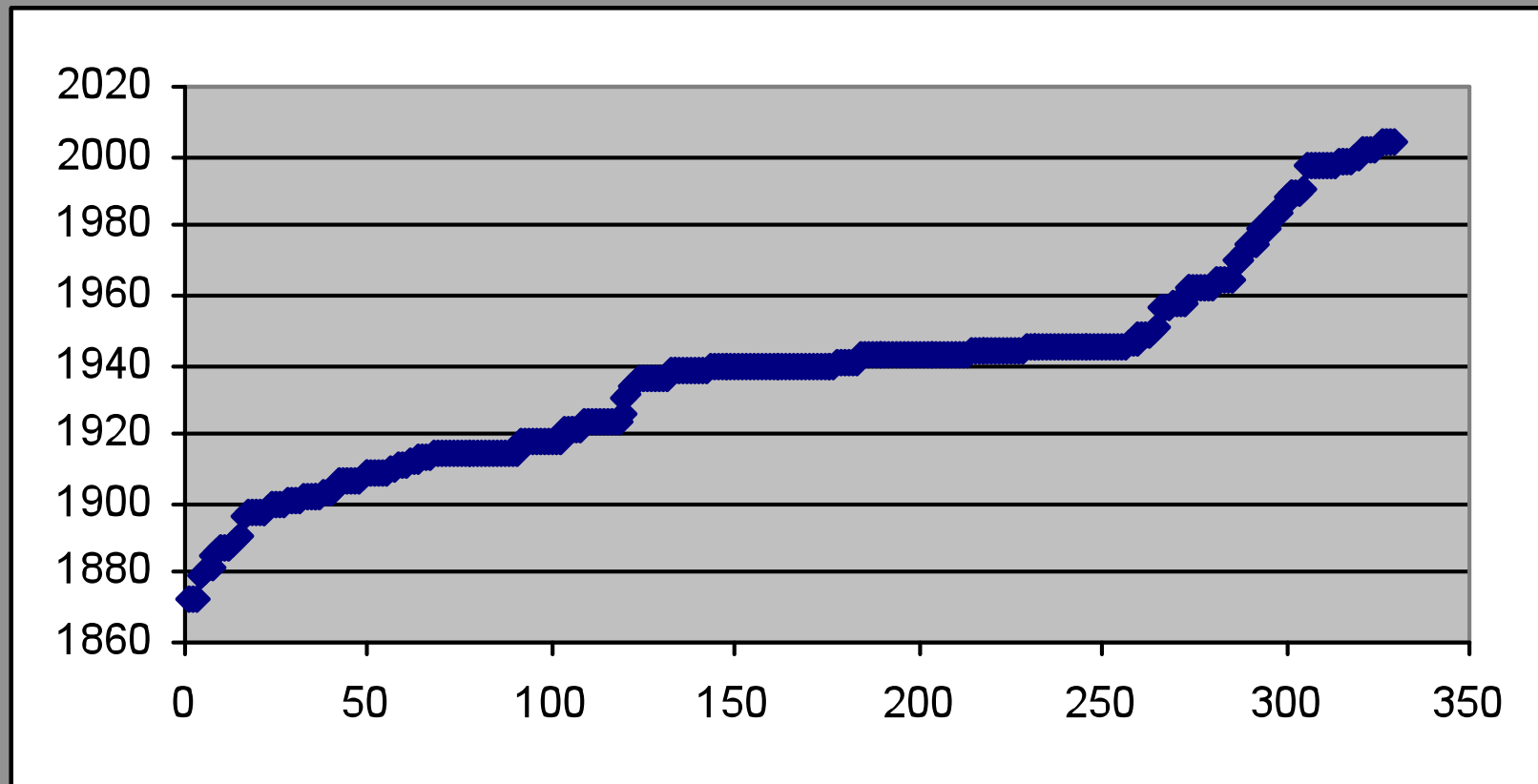
relative importance of genera

5700 published names



- Amylofungus
- Asterostroma
- Confertobasidium
- Dendrophora
- Dichostereum
- Gloiothele
- Metulodontia
- Peniophora
- Scytinostroma
- Stereofomes

How many taxa in the US ?



329 taxa described from USA

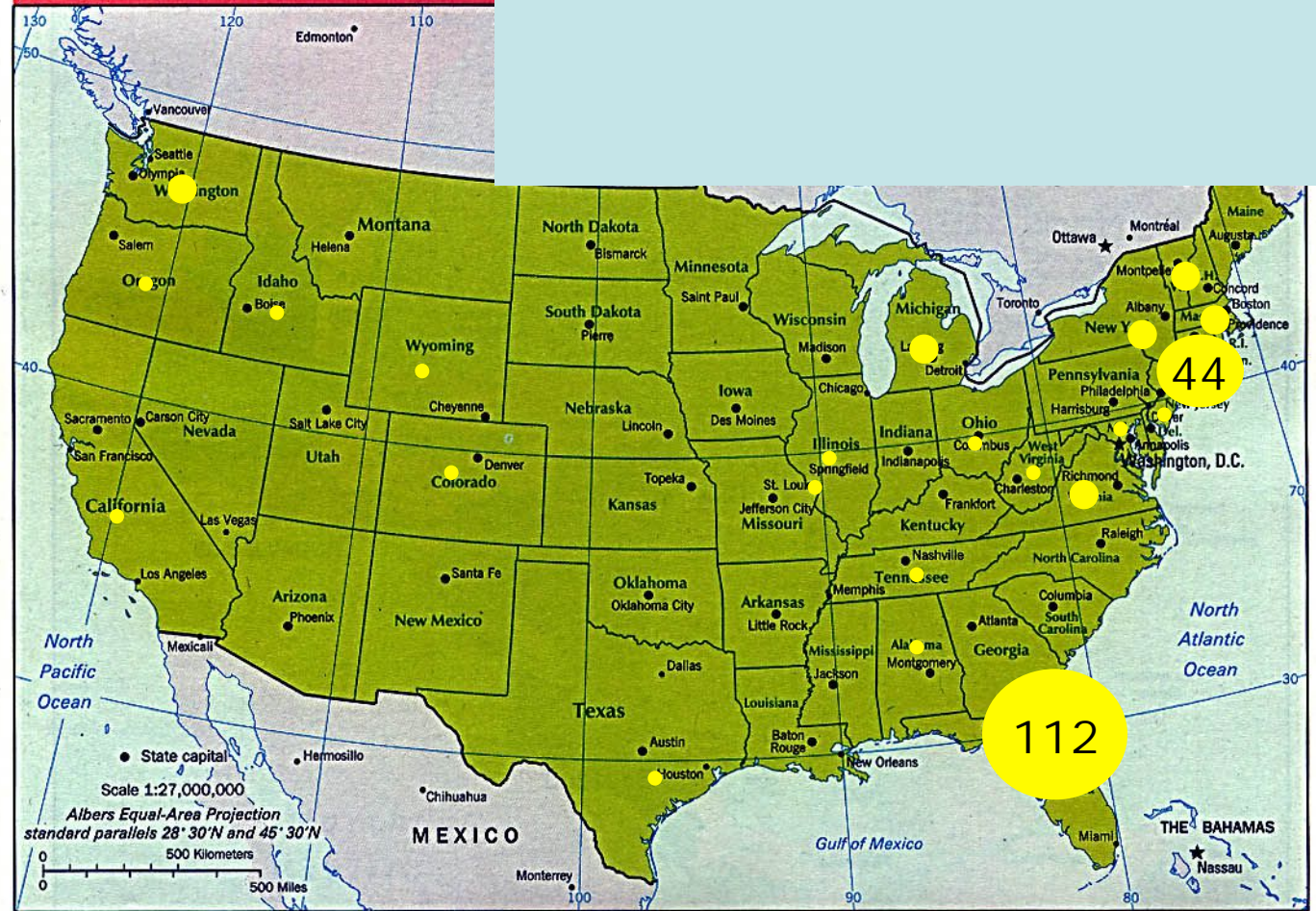
+ 87 additional European taxa reported

416 taxa total
(2005)

- 1 to a few collections
- 5 to 10 collections

Species
by state

United States



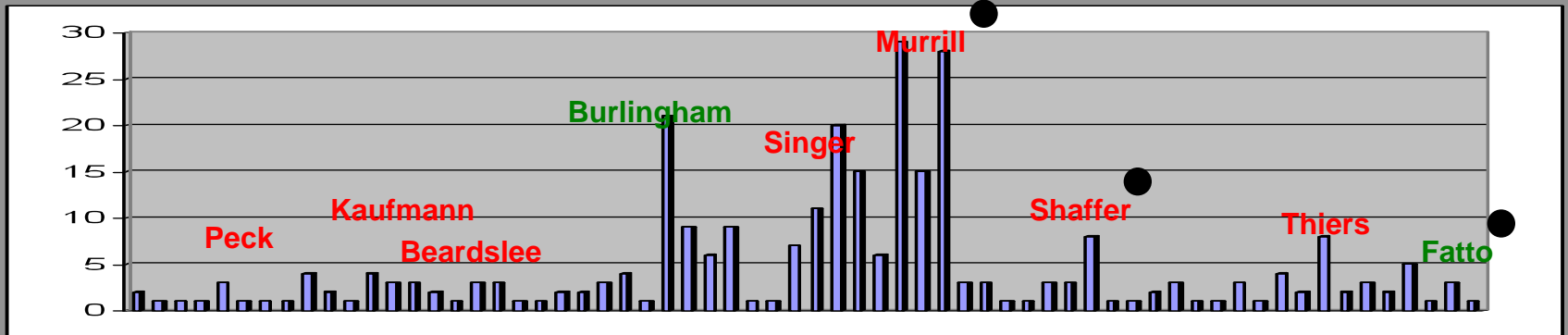
Origin of described taxa
by State

Identification.... easier said than done !

- Several problems :
 - Nearly all of the available species descriptions lack modern precision
 - European keys are used without critical observation
 - The majority of Russulas in USA is still undescribed
 - Local experts on American Russula are urgently needed, therefore amateur and professional mycologists need to interact and collaborate more

Russula description in the USA

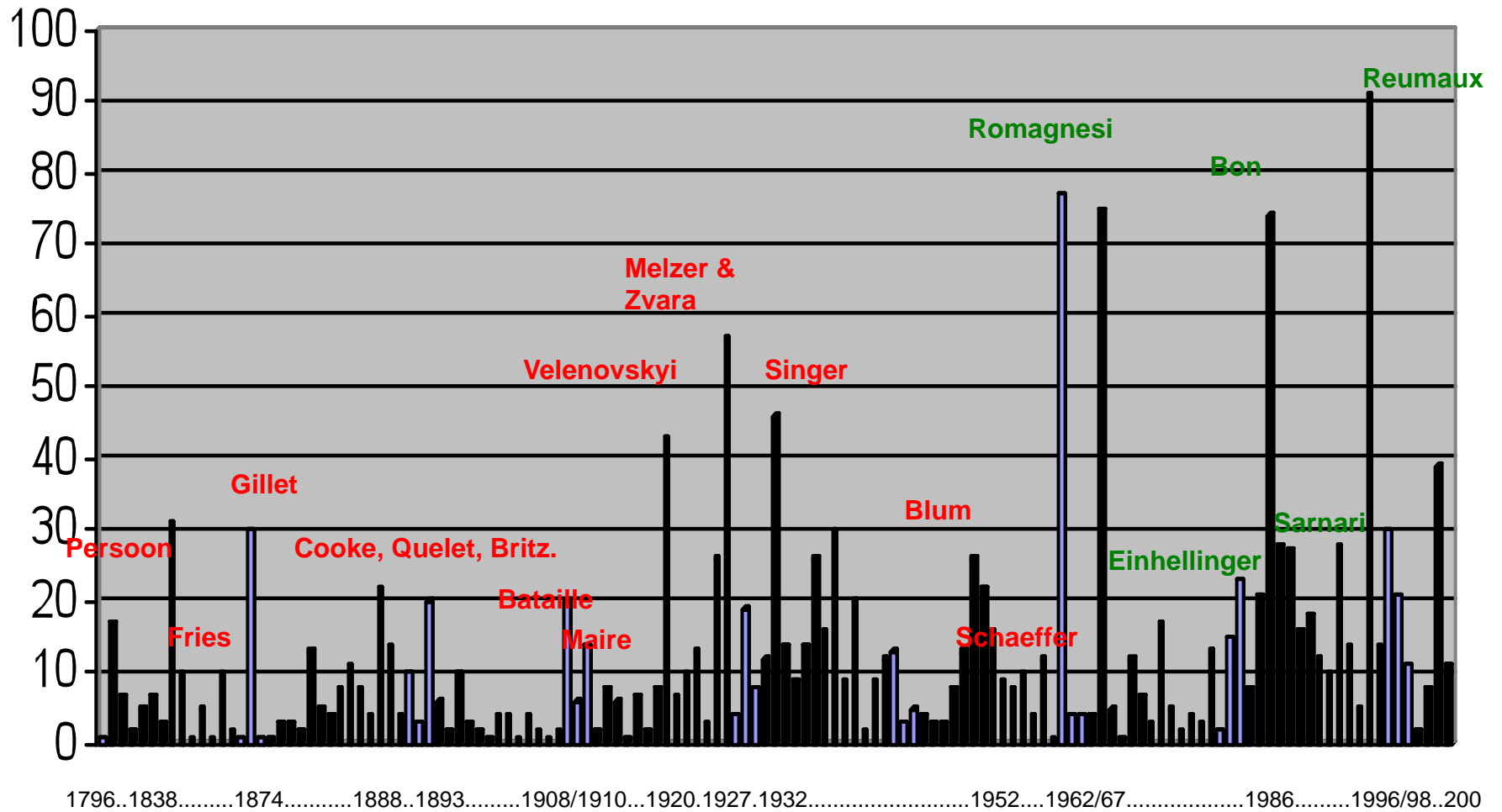
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(1796 Europe.....)1872.....1915.....1939..1943/45.....1962.....1997.....2006

Europe

1793-2004 new russulas



1796..1838.....1874.....1888..1893.....1908/1910...1920.1927.1932.....1952....1962/67.....1986.....1996/98..200



Ingratula

Ingratula

Crassotunicatinae

Farinipedes?

Felleinae

crassotunicata/W

polycystis

fellea

primavera

simillima

Foetentinae

foetentula

fragrantissima

granulata

laurocerasi

lilacipes

mutabilis

subfoetens

ventricosipes

Pectinatinae

amoenolens

cerolens/W

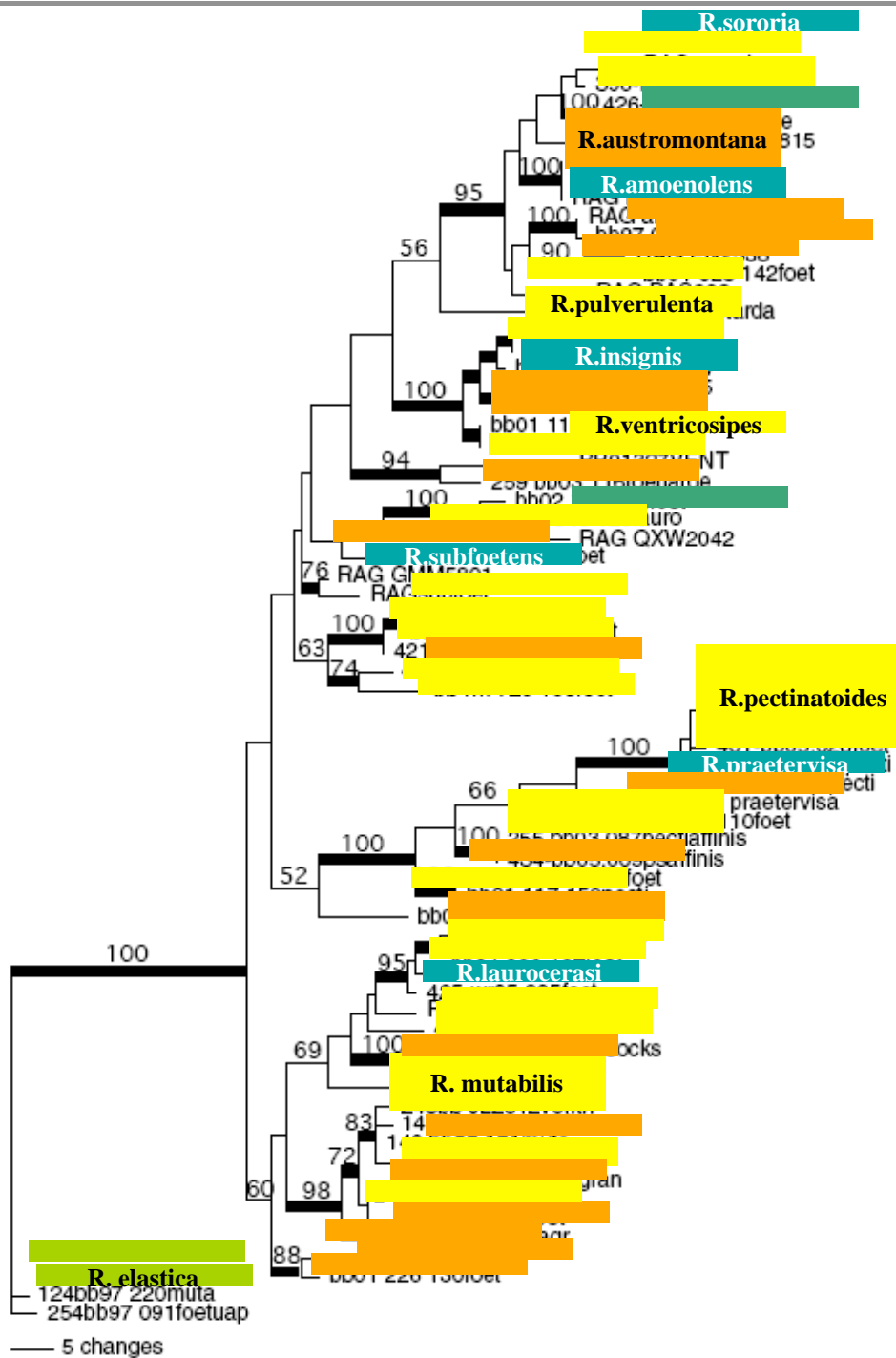
pectinatoides

Subvelatae

pulverulenta

Fistulosinae ?

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Correspondence with the actual classification :

Subject. Pectinatinae p.p.

Subject. Subvelatae

Subject. Foetentinae p.p.

Subject. Pectinatinae p.p.

Subject. Foetentinae p.p.

(Subject. Elasticae subject.nov.)

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Type-studies in American *Russula* (Russulales, Basidiomycota): species *Decolorantinae* described by E. G.S. Burlingham and W.A.

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Abstract – In this paper, the authors focus on every single specimen of *R. subdensifolia* from the Romagnol subsectio, all specimens, all *Decolorantinae* group of pale-colored and related species and related species lectotypified.

Type studies of *Russula* species
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ABSTRACT — The study of the North American *Russula* subgenus *Decolorantinae* is a contribution, microscopic features a type specimens. The authors reintroduce features supplied in the original description and placement of the taxa: (i) *R. roseiisabellina* suggested in Murrill's protologue, not as suggested by Hesler — it is a typical species of subgenus *Russula*; (ii) *R. sericella* is absolutely unrelated to the recently described *R. texensis* and probably fits within subgenus *Russula*. It is needed to verify whether it possesses features of subgenus *Russula*.
KEY WORDS — Florida, micromorphology

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Type studies in *Russula* subgenus *Heterophyllidia* from the eastern United States

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Type-studies in American *Russula* (Russulales, Basidiomycota): in and out subsection *Roseinae*

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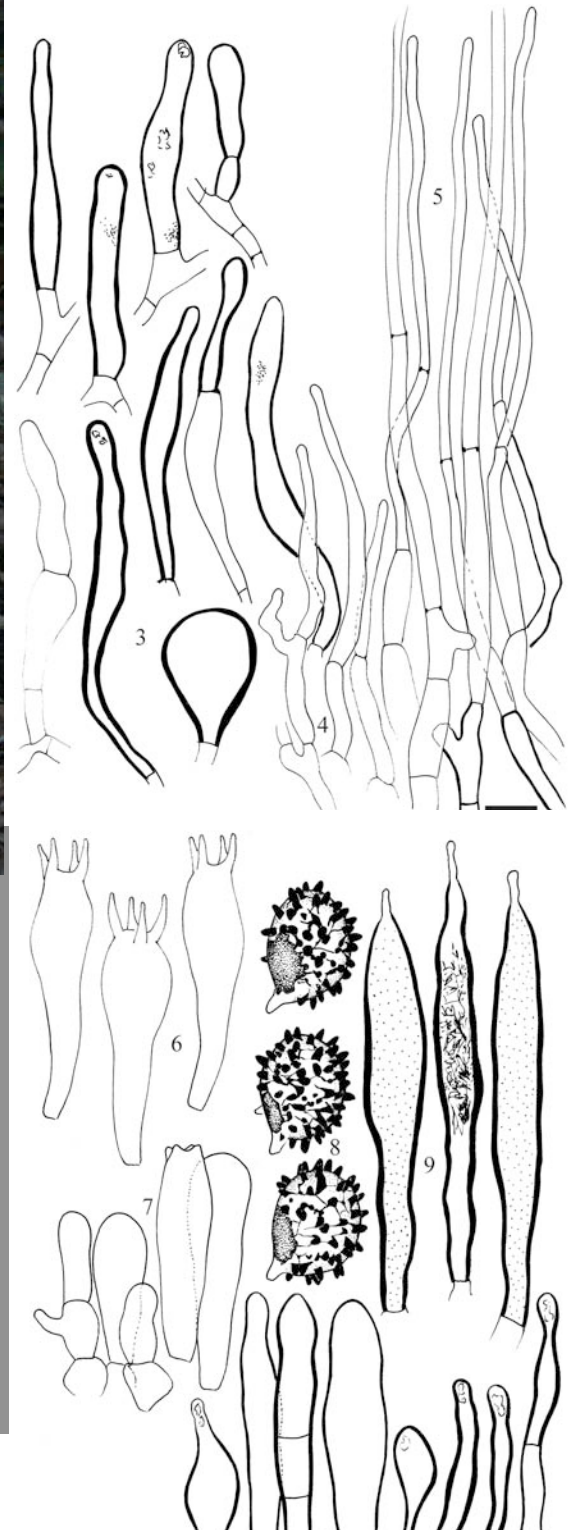
Adamčík, S. & B. Buyck (2012): Type-studies in American *Russula* (Russulales, Basidiomycota): in and out subsection *Roseinae*. — *Nova Hedwigia* 94: xxx–xxx.

Abstract: As a result of modern type studies, four species in the genus *Russula* are here discussed:

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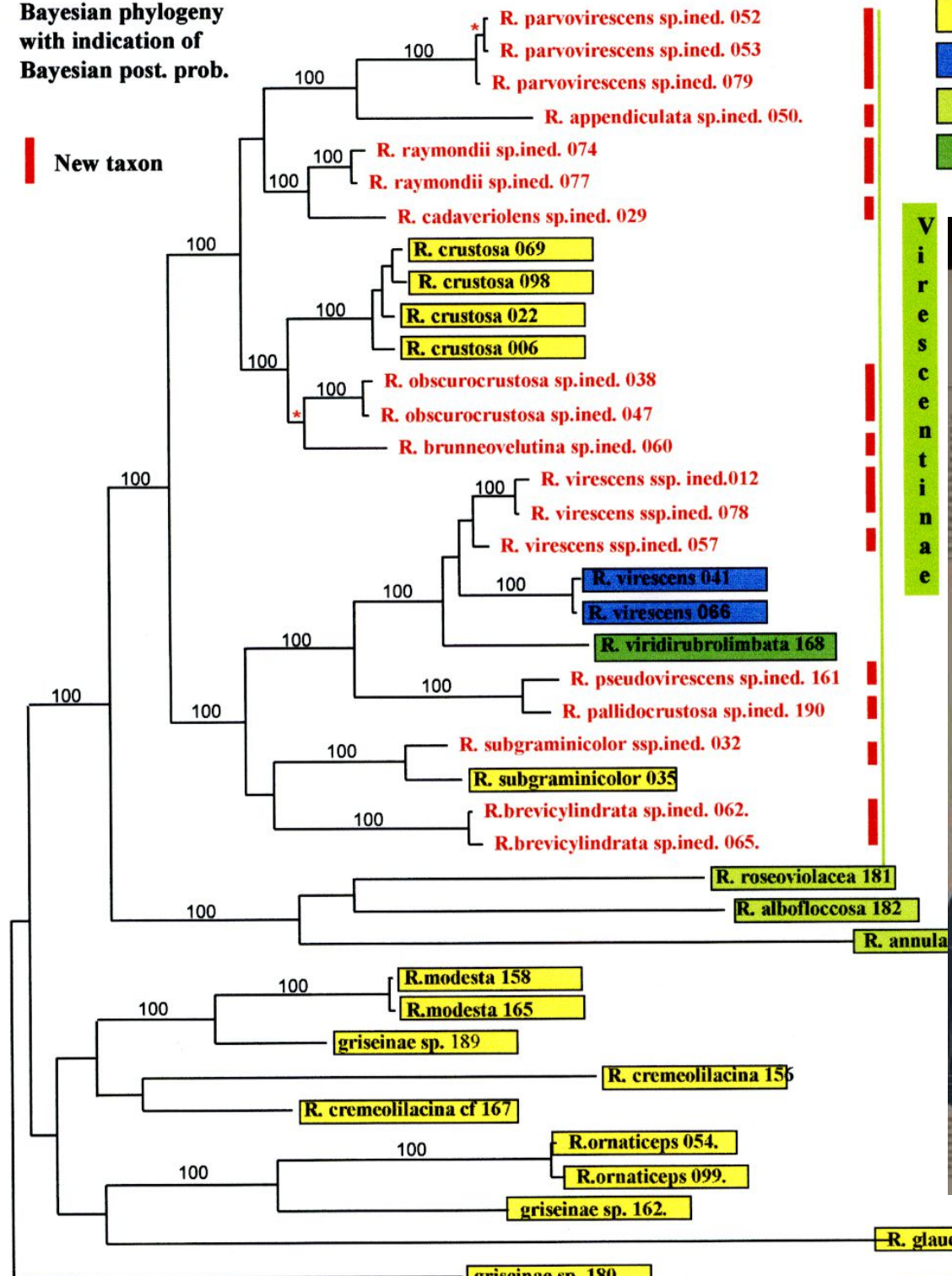


Russula hixsonii Murrill



**Bayesian phylogeny
with indication of
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New taxon



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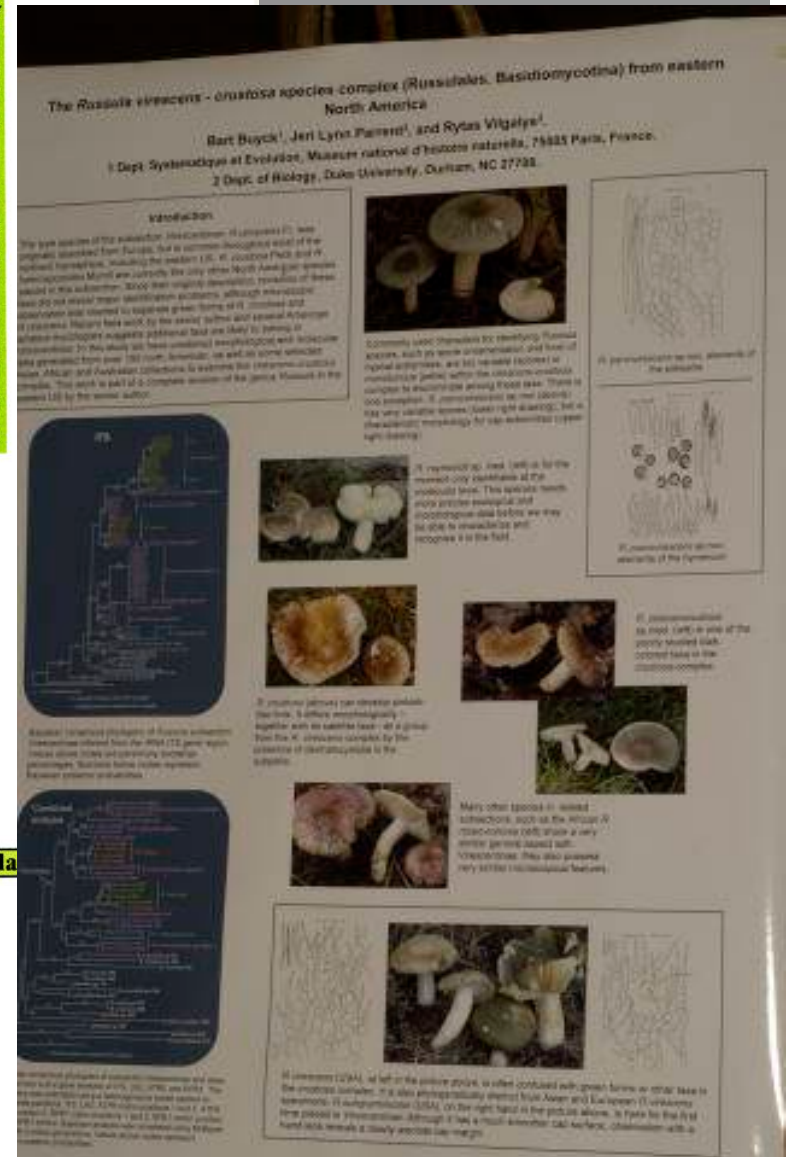
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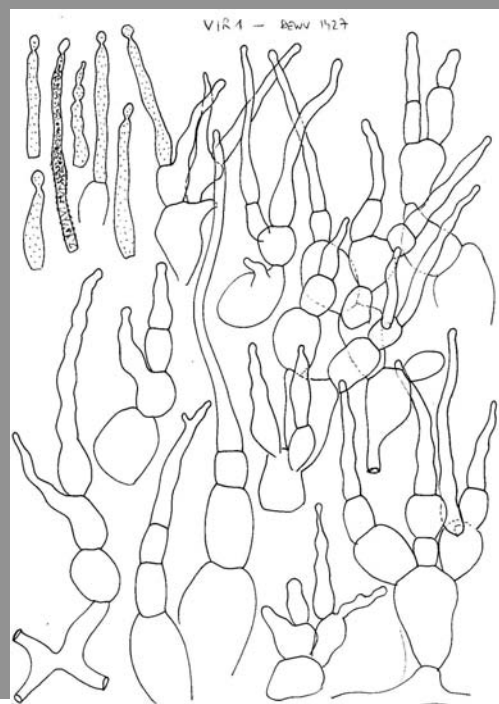
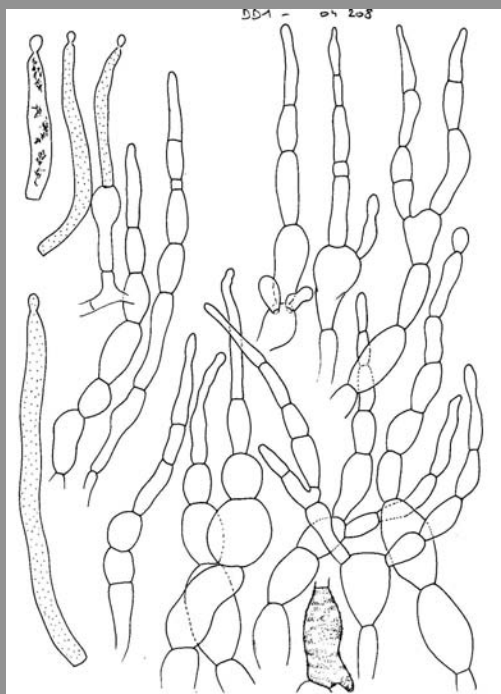
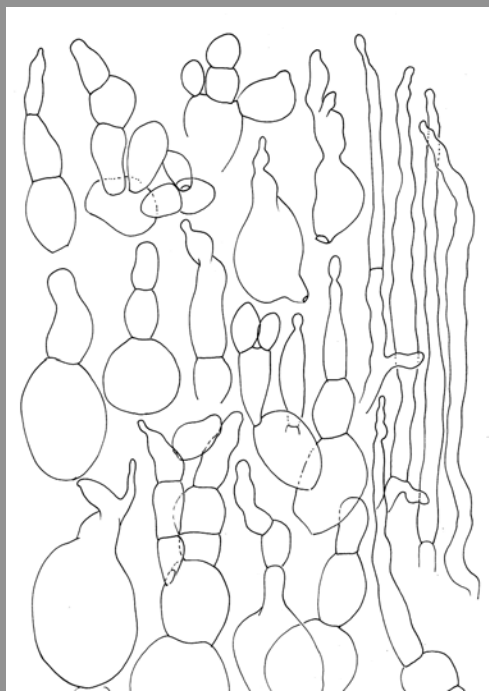
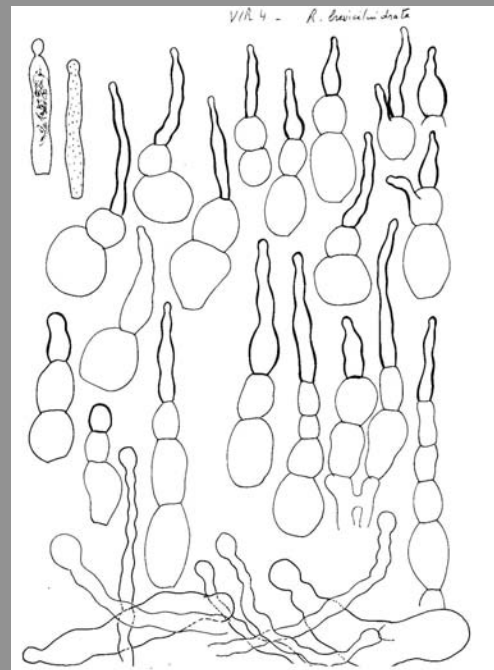
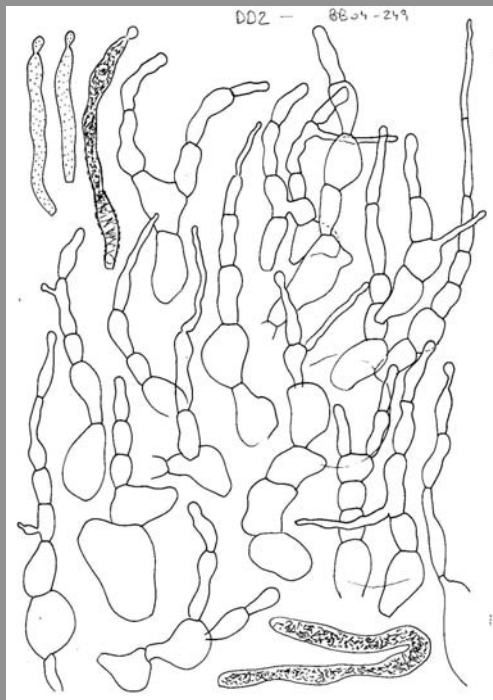
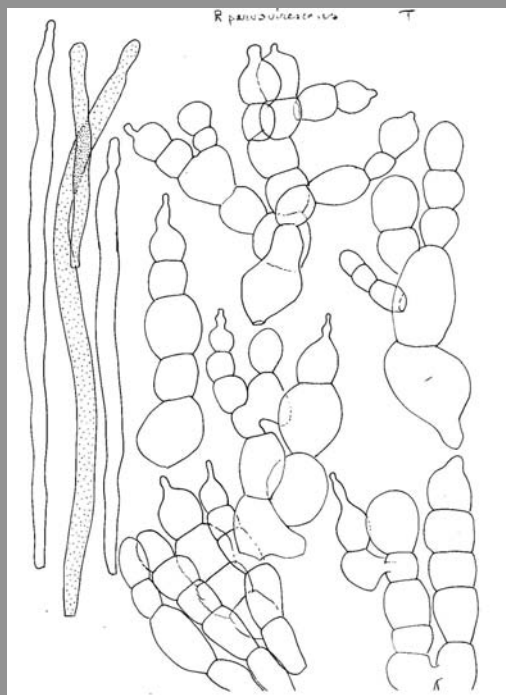
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ITS, LSU
RPB1, ATP6





ENGLISH

European Russula phylogeny project

For molecular research in mycology, tissues that have been conserved in CTAB buffer are the best solution for successful extraction of good quality DNA (allowing for instance to amplify and sequence in particular single copy genes that are now more and more used for phylogenetic purposes). For this purpose I send you 1.5 ml eppendorf tubes, filled with 0.5 ml CTAB 2x buffer

There are however a few important points to remember :

A. Sampling protocol

1. Sample the tissues **as soon as possible** after collecting the fungus (you can even do it in the field if there is time for it)
2. Use a **clean pincet** (with tips not necessarily sterilized, but at least well cleaned with soft paper tissue drenched in alcohol 70% or higher)
3. Choose parts of the gills that look **perfectly clean**, that are not parasitized by molds and not attacked by animals or other microorganisms (insect larvae, collembolla, mites, etc...). If gills seem not very clean, you can also cut the mushroom lengthwise and take tissue sample from the firm parts of the flesh inside cap or stipe.
4. Take about the quantity of gill or flesh **tissue that corresponds to ½ of the amount of CTAB** liquid in the tube...not more.
5. Close the eppendorf **very tightly** when finished.
6. Write the **collection number on the side** of the tube, and **also on top** of the lid, using a fine permanent marker.
7. Repeat step 3 to 6 for a **second tube** (I need 2 tubes for every specimen, 3-4 for very rare species).
8. Note essential features of the collection : smell, taste of gills, macrochemical reactions, color changes, take pictures for color, form etc....
9. having **vouchers is very important** ! therefore dry at least ½ of the mushroom and conserve it in a plastic bag with the same number to be sent to me later for deposit at PC herbarium.

B. Keep a list of the tissue samples and vouchers :

Tube nr./ your collection nr./species epithet/ eventual remarks

Below an example of part of such a file from last year (by JM Trendel) :

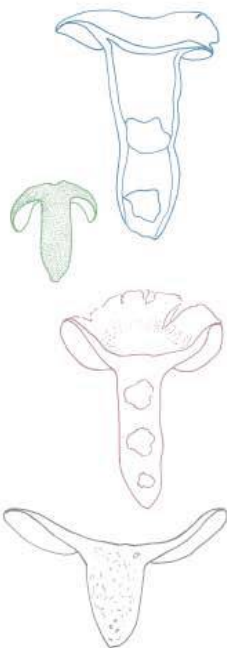
JMT-58	JMT-08092807	badia	
JMT-59	JMT-08092804	xerampelina cf	
JMT-60	JMT-08092806	nauseosa ?	
JMT-61	JMT-08092802D	atrorubens	ex. petit à droite
JMT-62	JMT-08092801G	sardonia	ex. au 1 ^{er} plan à gauche

Recommendations for the data file :

- since you are quite a number of people collecting Russula samples, it is recommended to **put always your initials** before your numbers !
- use expressions such as "cf", "aff.", "group", "?" etc.... **after** the species name...not before (in view of sorting by name later)
- you can add notes or remarks about photos etc....any info you like



Techniques



Although *Russula*, *Lactarius* and the other russuloid fungi show many affinities with other macromycetes, their study and description requires the use of some techniques which are not always well-known by everyone. In this section of the web-site we are therefore providing extensive notes on this subject, suggesting how any collection of Russulales should be observed.

What to observe and how to do it?

What to illustrate and how to do it?

Tools for identification of Russulales

The European *Russula* and *Lactarius*-flora is well covered by a good number of monographs and field-guides, which provide tools for the identification of these fungi both to the beginner and the professional mycologist.

The situation is much different in other continents, where such tools are seriously lacking. One of the aims of Russulales News is to make available on-line some new tools, keys and so on which can aid you in naming your collections.

Should you want to contact us, e-mail us at russulales_news@yahoo.fr.

Geoffrey Kibby and Raymond Fatto

[On-line synoptic key to North-American Russulas](#)

This on-line tool represents an updated version of the synoptic keys published by Kibby and Fatto some years ago, and allows to quickly check the characters of your collections to see which species match the chosen criteria.

Bart Buyck

[Provisional key to subsection Virescentinae in the U.S. \(new!\)](#)

This provisional key will help *Russula* amateurs to identify the species of subsection *Virescentinae* in North America, including several new taxa which are in the process of being described.

Jorinde Nuytinck & Annemieke Verbeke

[Key to the European species of *Lactarius* sect. *Deliciosi* \(new!\)](#)

A useful key to distinguish the European milk-caps belonging to sect. *Deliciosi* (mostly with orange or red milk). This key is one of the results of the thorough study of this group made by the two authors.

Bart Buyck

[On-line key to the European species of *Russula* \(soon to come...\)](#)

A multiple-entry key to European *Russula* species based on macroscopical and ecological features is being prepared by Bart in cooperation with Vincent Robert (CBS, The Netherlands), using Vincent's BioloMICS software.

Thank you !

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On-line synoptic key to the species of *Russula* in north-eastern North America

This on-line tool represents an updated version of the synoptic keys published by Kibby and Fatto some years ago, and allows to quickly check the characters of your collections to see which species match the chosen criteria.

To try and identify your specimen, please choose from the following drop-down lists one or more characters and push the 'Search' button. A list of the species matching your selection will be shown. Should your query return no results, try to use less characters, avoiding perhaps those you are not certain of.

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Cap diameter

Spore-print color:

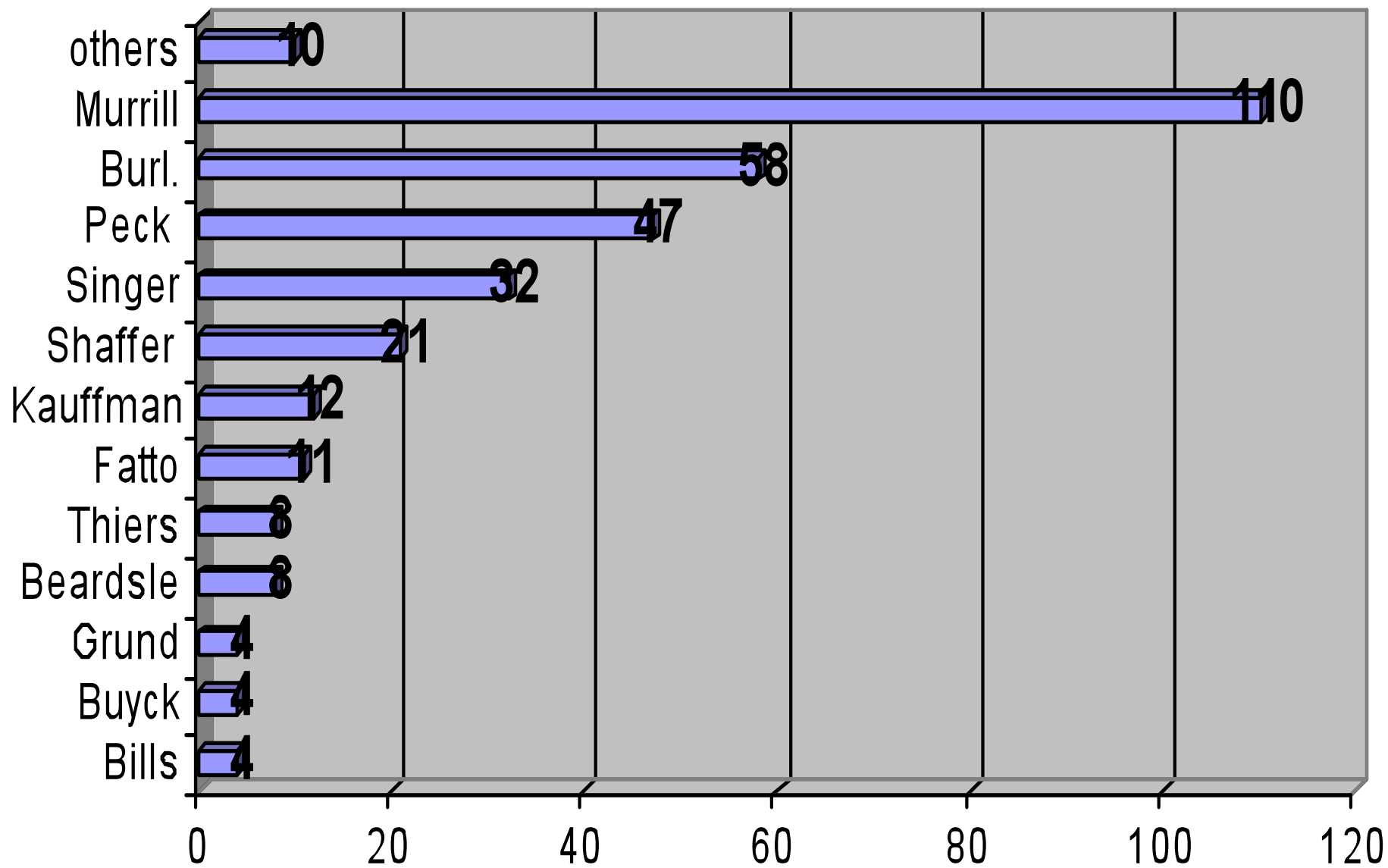
Taste:

Discoloration of flesh:

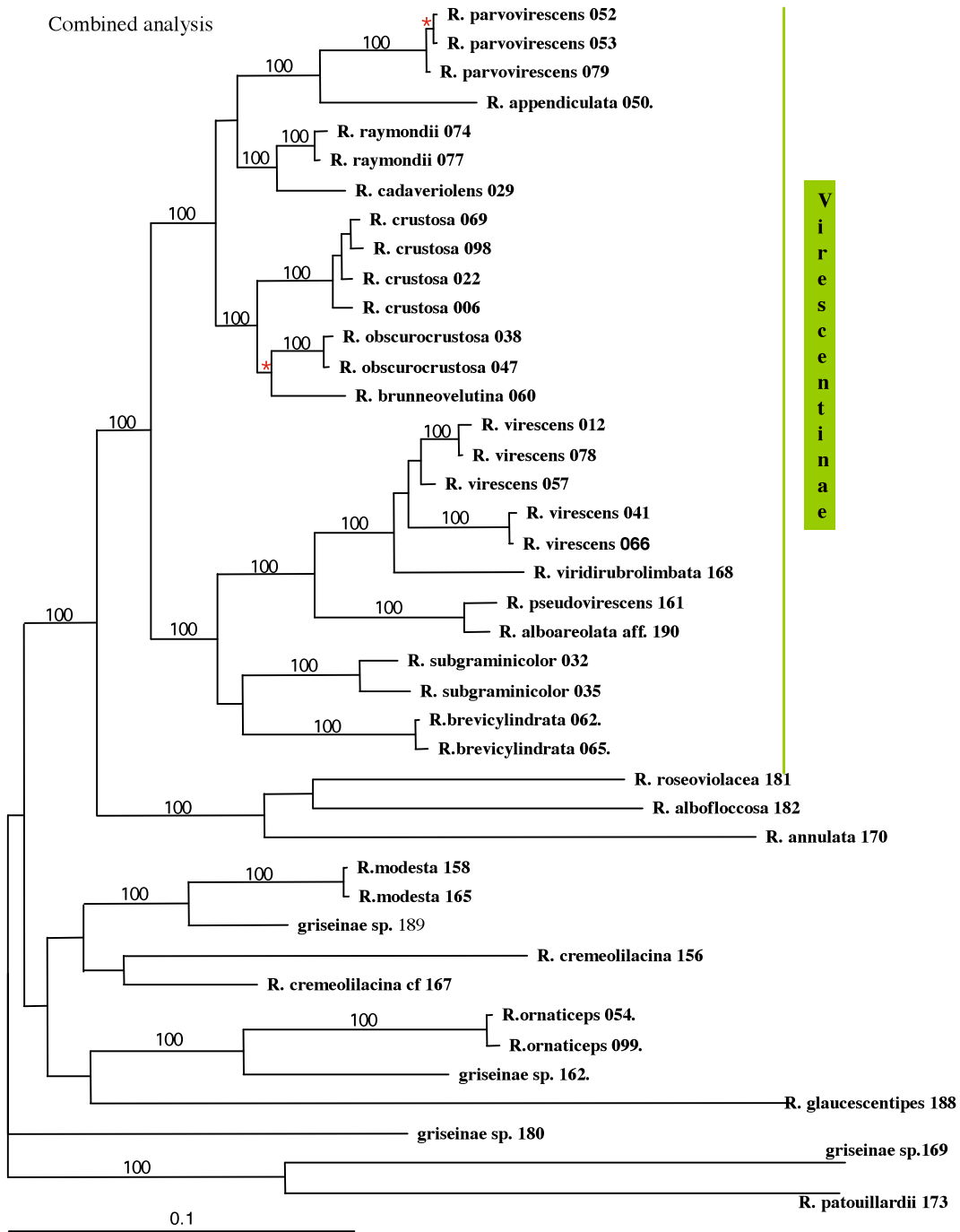
A new key based on characters for generic subdivision is urgently needed !

Selected characters:

Matching species:



Combined analysis



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Yukon Intermontane Plateau-Tayga-Meadow Province

Alaska Range Humid Tayga-Tundra-Meadow

Upper Yukon Tayga-Meadow Province

HUMID TEMPERATE DOMAIN

Warm Continental Division

Laurentian Mixed Forest Province

Warm Continental Division - Mountain Provinces

Adirondack-New England Mixed Forest-Coniferous Forest-Alpine Meadow Provinces

Hot Continental Division

Eastern Broadleaf Forest (Oceanic) Province

Eastern Broadleaf Forest (Continental) Province

Hot Continental Division - Mountain Provinces

Central Appalachian Broadleaf Forest--Coniferous Forest-Meadow Province
Ozark Broadleaf Forest-Meadow Province

Subtropical Division

Southeastern Mixed Forest Province

Outer Coastal Plain Mixed Forest Province

Lower Mississippi Riverine Forest Province

Subtropical Division - Mountain Provinces

Ouachita Mixed Forest-Meadow Province

Marine Division

Pacific Lowland Mixed Forest Province

Marine Division - Mountain Provinces

Cascade Mixed Forest-Coniferous Forest--Alpine Meadow Province

Pacific Coastal Mountains Forest-Meadow Province

Pacific Gulf Coastal Forest-Meadow Province

Prairie Division

Prairie Parkland (Temperate) Province

Prairie Parkland (Subtropical) Province

Mediterranean Division

California Coastal Chaparral Forest and Shrub Province

California Dry Steppe Province

California Coastal Steppe, Mixed Forest, and Redwood Forest Province

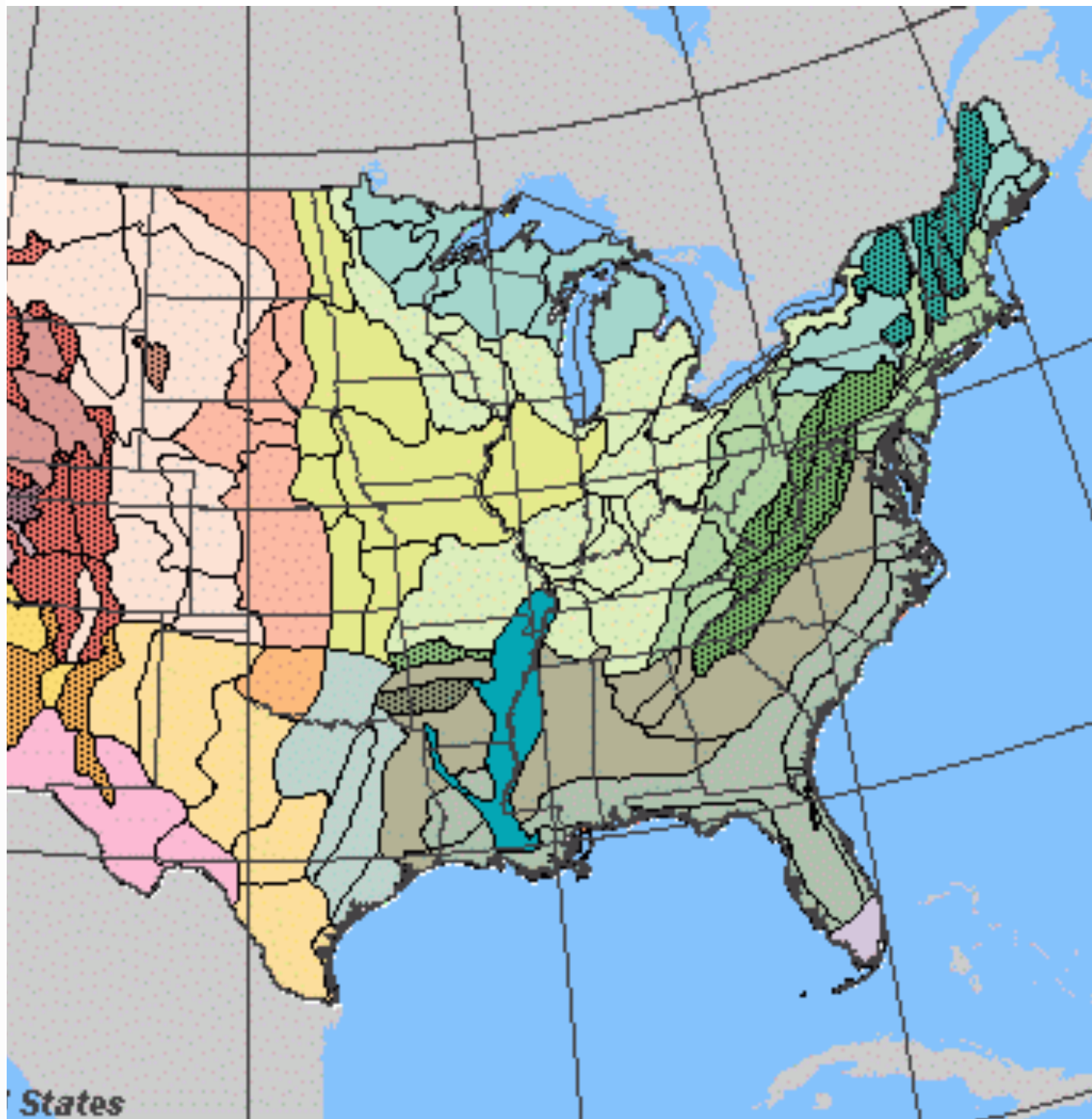
Mediterranean Division - Mountain Provinces

Sierran Steppe--Mixed Forest-Coniferous Forest--Alpine Meadow Province

California Coastal Range Open Woodland-Shrub-Coniferous Forest--Meadow Province

DRY DOMAIN

Tropical/Subtropical Steppe Division



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