

A cellular approach to phyletic relations in eucaryotic algae

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The eucaryotes are divided into Chlorobionta, Ochrobionta and Leucobionta-complex, according to their cellular organization, cell organelles and other constituents. The Chlorobionta are predominantly green autotrophs with cellulose wall and include rhodophytes, chlorophytes, prasinophytes, euglenoids and metaphytes derived from prokaryotes. The Ochrobionta are predominantly brown autotrophs with cellulose wall and include dinoflagellates, cryptomonads and other brown organisms derived from Chlorobionta after the origination of prasinophytes in this order. The Leucobionta-complex is the group of white heterotrophs polyphyletically derived from Chlorobionta and Ochrobionta, including the fungi predominant in osmotrophs with chitin wall and the animals predominant in phagotrophs of naked cells. Among the fungi, oomycetes and hyphochytridiomycetes are derived after the origination of dinoflagellates, and chytridiomycetes, zygomycetes, ascomycetes and basidiomycetes after the origination of prasinophytes, and among the animals, labyrinthulids after the origination of dinoflagellates, plasmodiophorids and myctozoa after the origination of euglenoids, and protozoa and metazoa after the origination of prasinophytes.

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Living organisms are broadly divided into prokaryotes and eucaryotes (STAINER and VAN NIEL 1962, ECHLIN and MORRIS 1965, ALLSOPP 1969, SMITH 1975, SMITH and HOARE 1977, GIBBONS and MURRAY 1978). The five kingdom system, proposed by WHITTAKER (1957, 1959, 1969), (Monera, Protista, Plantae, Fungi and Animalia) replaced the four kingdom system of COPELAND (1956), based on (1) a reevaluation of Monera as prokaryotes and (2) the inclusion of Plantae and Fungi and removing the eucaryotic algae (Rhodophyta, Chlorophyta, Phaeophyta and Xanthophyta) and the fungi (Myxomycota, Labyrinthulomycota, Oomycota, Chytridiomycota, Zygomycota, Ascomycota and Basidiomycota), both multicellular and multi-nucleate from the Protista. MARGULIS (1968,

1970, 1971, 1976) transferred all eucaryotic algae and fungi other than Ascomycota and Basidiomycota to the Protista. OLIVE (1969) transferred Gymnomycota to the Protista. LEEDALE (1974) proposed a multiple kingdom system in which the protistan phyla, excluding Chlorophyta (belonging to Plantae) and Zygomycota, Ascomycota and Basidiomycota (belonging to Fungi) were treated as a monophyletic unit. The validity of the placement of the eucaryotic algae, fungi and Gymnomycota in the Protista or the protistan groups treated monophyletically in the phyletic position remains unsettled in these assignments.

The germinal idea of the classification proposed by CHRISTENSEN (1964) could be found in that of BLACKMAN (1900) and the

original form is given by HUTNER and PROVASOLI (1951), DOUGHERTY (1955) and DOUGHERTY and ALLEN (1960). CHRISTENSEN divided the eucaryotic algae into Rhodophyta, Chlorophyta and Chromophyta and placed other eucaryotes in the descendants of the latter two. Among these descendants, EDWARDS (1976) included the higher plants in Chlorobionta, which is one of the renomination of the above three groups, the other two being Erythrobionta and Ochrobionta; VOGEL (1964) divided the groups of Phycomycetes, Ascomycetes and Basidiomycetes into two, Phycomycetes which produces anteriorly flagellate spore (a-Phycomycetes) and other fungi; and OLIVE (1970) assigned mycetozoa to Sarchomastigophora. CRONQUIST (1960) and KLEIN and CRONQUIST (1967) proposed the following phyletic relations: (1) Euglenophyta, Pyrrophyta, Chrysophyta and Phaeophyta derived from Chlorophyta, (2) a-Phycomycetes from Chrysophyta and Xanthophyta, and the other fungi from Euglenophyta and

Pyrrophyta, and (3) Protozoa from Euglenophyta, Pyrrophyta and Chrysophyta. EDWARDS (1976) proposed that Labyrinthulomycota and a-Phycomycetes originated from Ochrobionta, the other fungi from Chlorobionta, and Myxobionta from phytoflagellates. Beside these, many evolutionary schemes including those of endosymbiotic origins (DOUGHERTY and ALLEN 1958, DILLON 1962, GOODWIN 1964, DAUVILLIER 1965, FOTT 1965, 1974, MANTON 1965, SAGAN 1967, GIBBS 1970, STRANSKY and HAGER 1970 c, RAVEN 1970, LEE 1972, 1977, OAKLEY and DODGE 1974, CALVALIER-SMITH 1975, TAYLOR 1976 a, b, HANSON 1976, RAGAN and CHAPMAN 1978) have been suggested. In this communication the phyletic relations are postulated based on the currently used characters at cellular levels that are widely distributed in the living world.

On the basis of cellular organization, cell organelles and other constituents, the eucaryotes are divided into three groups, viz. (1) *Chlorobionta*, predominantly green

Table 1. Distribution of chlorophylls and phycobiliproteins. I. Chlorophylls : 1. Chlorophyll *a*, 2. Chlorophyll *b*, 3. Chlorophyll *c₂*, 4. Chlorophyll *c₁*; II. Phycobiliproteins : 5. C-phycoerythrin, 6. C- and Allo-phycocyanin, 7. R-phycocyanin and B- and R-phycoerythrin, 8. other type of phycocyanin and phycoerythrin.¹⁾ Chlorophyll *c₁* which exists in fucoxanthin-containing symbionts is eliminated

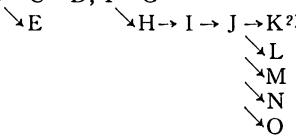
	I								References	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	I	II
Bacteria										
Cyanophytes	+		+	+	43, 114, 231, 313, 386, 420, 426, 439, 440 477				30, 34, 35, 43, 66-68, 77, 154, 156, 161, 162, 179 231, 340-343, 358, 386, 420, 426, 440, 451, 477	
Rhodophytes	+			+	+	43, 65, 231, 313, 386, 439, 440			34, 35, 43, 66-68, 156, 161, 162, 179, 231, 315 340, 342, 343, 359, 386, 440	
Chlorophytes	+	+				43, 57, 61, 161, 169, 214, 217, 231, 313 386, 394-396, 433, 440				
Prasinophytes	+	+				313, 386, 394, 396				
Euglenoids	+	+				43, 161, 170, 231, 313, 386, 440				
Metaphytes	+	+				217				
Dinoflagellates	+	+	1)			43, 61, 161, 214, 216-218, 220, 231, 313 386, 394-396				
Cryptomonads	+	+			+ 440	43, 161, 170, 218, 231, 313, 386, 394, 396 440		10, 34, 43, 51, 66, 155, 161, 162, 170, 178, 231 320, 321, 342-344, 386, 440		
Phaeophytes	+	+	+			43, 167, 170, 215, 217, 218, 231, 304, 313 386, 440				
Diatoms	+	+	+			43, 61, 167, 170, 181, 214, 217, 218, 313 386, 394, 395, 440				
Chrysophytes	+	+	+			43, 76, 83, 161, 167, 170, 214, 217-219 231, 313, 386, 394, 396, 440				
Haptophytes	+	+	+			61, 167, 218, 313, 386, 395, 396,				
Xanthophytes	+	+	+			43, 163, 167, 218, 313, 386, 396, 438, 440 474				
Chloromonads	+	(+)				69, 167, 313, 386				
Eustigmatophytes	+					17, 167, 386, 473				

autotrophs with cellulose wall derived from procaryotes (2) *Ochrobionta*, predominantly brown autotrophs with cellulose wall derived from (1) and (3) *Leucobionta*-complex, predominantly white heterotrophs including the fungi predominant in osmotrophs with chitin wall and the animals predominant in phagotrophs of naked cells, polyphyletically derived from (1) and (2).

The Chlorobionta consists of rhodophytes and the groups possessing chlorophyll *b*, chlorophytes, prasinophytes, euglenoids and

metaphytes, being similar to cyanophytes which is a branch of the procaryotes, and it is considered as the derivatives from procaryotes. The characters linking procaryotes with the Chlorobionta such as 1 (chlorophyll *a*), 6 (C- and Allo-phycocyanin), A, F, H, I (the above carotenoids), 34 (single thylakoid and outer phycobilisome), 40 (glycogen), 41 (starch), 43 (osmotrophy), 44 (predominance of autotrophy not required vitamin), 47 (cellulose) and 59 (DAP) are primitive, in which characters 1, A, probably F, H

Table 2. Distribution of carotenoids. III. Carotenoids: A-9. α -Carotene, B-10. Lutein, C-11. Loxoxanthin, 12. Pyrenoxanthin, D-13. Siphonoxanthin, E-14. Monadoxanthin, F-15. γ -Carotene, G-16. Myroxanthophyll, 17. Aphanizophyll, H-18. β -Carotene, I-19. Zeaxanthin, 20. Echinone, 21. Cryptoxanthin, 22. Canthaxanthin, 23. Nostoxanthin, 24. Violaxanthin, J-25. Neoxanthin, K-26. Heteroxanthin, 27. Diatoxanthin, 28. Diadinoxanthin, 29. Crocoxanthin, L-30. Peridinin, M-31. Fucoxanthin, N-32. Alloxanthin, O-33. Vaucheriaxanthin.¹⁾ Biosynthetic sequences of carotenoids are A→B→C→D, F→G



Fucoxanthin which exists in rhodophytes is eliminated for the possible origin from the epiphytic diatoms.³⁾ Fucoxanthin which exists in chlorophyll *c*₁-containing symbionts is eliminated

and I universally appear in Chlorobionta, character 41 in rhodophytes, chlorophytes and prasinophytes, character 43 in rhodophytes, chlorophytes and euglenoids, characters 47 and 59 in rhodophytes and chlorophytes, characters 6 and 34 in rhodophytes, and characters 40 and 44 in chlorophytes, and the base of the Chlorobionta is formed by adding new characters such as B, J (carotenoids) and 57 (mitochondria with flattened cristae) to the above characters (Tables 1-5). Moreover diverse groups are formed by adding the following characters: (1) characters 35 (double chloroplast membranes) and 54 (nuclear envelope, polar fenestrae) in rhodophytes, chlorophytes and prasinophytes, character 48 (chitin) in rhodophytes and chlorophytes, character 45 (predominance of autotrophy required vit-

amin, auxotrophy) in rhodophytes and euglenoids, and character 7 (R-phycocyanin, and B- and R-phycocerythrin) in rhodophytes; (2) characters 2 (chlorophyll *b*), 36 (2-4, more appressed thylakoids), 49 (naked form), 52 (flagella with fine hairs, nontubular mстиgones) and 55 (nuclear envelope, intact) in chlorophytes, prasinophytes and euglenoids, characters probably C, D (carotenoids) and 56 (nuclear envelope, disintegrated) in chlorophytes and prasinophytes, character 42 (β -1, 3 linked glucan) in chlorophytes and euglenoids, and character 51 (smooth flagella) in chlorophytes; and (3) characters K (carotenoids), 37 (treble chloroplast membranes), 46 (phagotrophy) and 60 (AAA) in euglenoids. The Chlorobionta is the monophyletically derived group which acquired the characters B, J, 35 and 57, and by the

Table 3. Distribution of chloroplast structures and reserve polysaccharides. IV. Chloroplast structures: 34. Single thylakoid and outer phycobilisomes, 35. Double chloroplast membranes, 36. 2-4, more appressed thylakoids, 37. Treble chloroplast membranes, 38. 2-3 unappressed thylakoids, 39. Quadruple chloroplast membrane; V. Reserve polysaccharides: 40. glycogen, 41. Starch, 42. β -1, 3 linked glucan

	IV							V		References		
	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	40 and 41	V	42
Bacteria										18, 62, 79, 386, 477		
Cyanophytes	+			+	+		36, 113, 114, 129, 231, 243, 420, 424, 467 477			64, 75, 129, 137, 138, 231 314, 386, 477		
Rhodophytes	+	+					36, 44, 53, 97, 113, 142-144, 149, 231, 233 265, 326, 330, 369, 424, 443, 455, 467			75, 92, 231, 314, 386		
Chlorophytes	+	+		+	+	+	28, 33, 36, 97, 113, 149, 231, 241, 257, 259, 443 455, 467			15, 75, 115, 231, 269, 273 276, 277, 314, 345, 386		
Prasinophytes	+	+					36, 97, 149, 289, 293, 352, 443			75, 386, 441		
Euglenoids	+	+					31, 36, 58, 97, 113, 149, 231, 253, 255, 443 424, 445				19, 24, 59, 71, 75, 231 253, 314, 386	
Metaphytes	+	+					113			386		59, 314
Dinoflagellates	+	+					36, 96-99, 149, 231, 443, 455			75, 386, 465		386
Cryptomonads	+	+					36, 95, 97, 113, 145, 147, 149, 225, 231, 271 424, 445			20, 75, 231, 314, 386		
Phaeophytes	+	+					32, 36, 45, 46, 97, 113, 118, 149, 231, 443, 455				16, 24, 26, 59, 75, 125, 126 231, 304, 314, 376, 386	
Diatoms	+	+					36, 97, 108-110, 149, 231, 263, 430, 443				24, 26, 130, 314, 386	
Chrysophytes	+	+					36, 97, 113, 135, 147-149, 231, 404, 455				19, 21, 24, 59, 75, 76, 231 237, 314, 386	
Haptophytes	+	+					36, 97, 149, 287, 290, 353				75, 386	
Xanthophytes	+	+					36, 42, 89, 97, 120, 121, 149, 256				75, 263, 386	
Chloromonads	+	+					97, 149, 195, 443					
Eustigmatophytes	+	+					36, 97, 200-202, 443					
Oomycetes							+				123, 206, 386, 449, 466, 478	
Hypochytridiomycetes												
Chytridiomycetes							+				386	
Zygomycetes												
Ascomycetes							+	+	+		93, 306, 386	24, 29, 59, 234, 274, 314, 386
Basidiomycetes							+	+	+		231, 306, 386	24, 59
Labyrinthulids												
Plasmidiophorids												
Mycetozoa							+				25, 172	
Protozoa							+	+			23, 386	
Metazoa							+				386	

gradual appearance of new characters rhodophytes, chlorophytes, prasinophytes and euglenoids are considered to have derived in this order as shown in Fig. 1. Among various groups of Chlorobionta, green autotrophs possesses the characters such as (1) cellulose walled cells with smooth flagella, mitosis (nuclear envelope disintegrated and tubules extranuclear), and mitochondria with flattened cristae; (2) photosynthetic apparatus consisting of chlorophyll *a* and *b*, carotenoids A-D, F, H-J, 2-4, more appressed thylakoids and double chloroplast membranes; and (3) the production of starch as a reserve product, which comes to predominate.

The Ochrobionta consists of eustigmato-

phytes as well as those groups possessing chlorophyll *c₂*, dinoflagellates, cryptomonads, phaeophytes, diatoms, chrysophytes, haptophytes, xanthophytes and chloromonads, and it is considered to be derived from the Chlorobionta. Of the characters linking the Ochrobionta with the Chlorobionta (1) characters 1 (chlorophyll *a*), F, H, probably I, probably J, K (carotenoids), 43 (osmotrophy), 45 (predominance of auxotrophy), 46 (phagotrophy) and 49 (naked form) exist in dinoflagellates, cryptomonads and the other Ochrobionta, character 41 (starch) in dinoflagellates and cryptomonads, and characters 42 (β -1, 3 linked glucan), 52 (flagella with fine hairs) and 55 (nuclear envelope, intact) in the groups excluding cryptomonads, and

Table 4. Distribution of the mode of nutrition, wall polysaccharides, naked cells and flagella features. VI. Mode of nutrition: 43. Osmotrophy, 44. Predominance of autotrophy not required vitamin, 45. Predominance of autotrophy required vitamin (auxotrophy), 46. Phagotrophy; VII. Wall polysaccharides: 47. Cellulose, 48. Chitin; VIII. Presence of naked cells: 49. Naked form, 50. Amoeboid form; IX. Flagella features: 51. Smooth, 52. Fine hairs (nontubular mastigonemes), 53. Stiff hairs (tubular mastigonemes).¹⁾ Chitin exists in the appendages of the diatoms. Chitin-like substance termed chitan is included.²⁾ Scales exist outside plasma-membrane

	VI									VI	References		VIII	IX	
	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	47	48		
Bacteria	+											231,386,415			
Cyanophytes	+	+										231,386			
Rhodophytes	+	+	+	+								236,264,386,475	384-386		
Chlorophytes	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	380-383				14,15,119,191,236 345,354,386	236,286	97	97,150,204,231,241,259,279 283,370,397,443
Prasinophytes														97	97,119,283,289,293,352,360-365,443
Euglenoids	+	+	+									73,139,211,253,380-383		97,422	58,97,112,213,231,253,255 279,283,414,443,476
Metaphytes	+												386		279,285
Dinoflagellates	+	+	+	?	+	+	+	105-107,139,211,250,272 380-383				97,139,405	96-98,231,244,245,250		
Cryptomonads	+	+	+	?	+							386,356,379-383,413	231,386	97	95,97,119,231,271,443
Phaeophytes	+											231,236,264,386		97	46,97,119,231,279,281,283-285,291,324
Diatoms	+	+											39,41,88,111 122,188,189	97	97,104,119,184,231,263,432
Chrysophytes	+	+	+	+	+	?	+	+	+			184,106,139,211,272	386,412	97,133,139	47,48,97,119,199,203,231
Haptophytes	+	+	+									380-383,431 349,351,382	54,55,190	97	356,405 97,164,165,231,282,286,287 290,353,443,456
Xanthophytes	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	380,382				231,236,264,354		97,133,139	97,119,120,231,292,443
Chloromonads	+											386	405,417	97	97,119,194,231,443
Eustigmatophytes														97	97,200-202,443
Oomycetes	+											25,231,266,354	266,386		90,119,231,292,388
Hypochytridiomycetes	+											386			
Chytridiomycetes	+											25,140,386	140,386		141,231
Zygomycetes	+												22,25,231,386 418		231,232,292
Ascomycetes	+											25,386,402	25,29,231,235 274,386,402		
Basidiomycetes	+											386	25,231,235,386		
Labyrinthulids	+											346,366,367		366,367	367
Plasmidiophrids	+											346		346,472	231
Mycetozoa												153,205,211,409	231,386	409	7,231
Protozoa	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+			211	386	386	85
Metazoa	+	+	+	+	+	+	+					386,406	40,56,328,386		3

character 37 (treble chloroplast membranes) in dinoflagellates; (2) characters A probably B (carotenoids), and 56 (nuclear envelope, disintegrated) in the groups excluding dinoflagellates, and character 57 (mitochondria with flattened cristae) in cryptomonads, and (3) characters 44 (predominance of autotrophy not required vitamin), 47 (cel lulose), 48 (chitin), 51 (smooth flagella) and 54 (nuclear envelope, polar fenestrae) in the groups other than dinoflagellates and cryptomonads. Among these characters 1, A, F, H, I, 41, 43, 44 and 47 appear first in the prokaryotes, characters B, J, 45, 48, 54 and 57 in rhodophytes, character 42, 49, 51, 52, 55 and 56 in chlorophytes, and characters K, 37 and 46 in euglenoids. The base of Ochrobionta is formed by adding new characters such as 3 (chlorophyll c_2),

38 (2-3 unappressed thylakoids) to the above characters. Moreover diverse groups are formed by adding the characters like (1) 50 (amoeboid form) and 58 (mitochondria with tubular cristae)-groups excluding cryptomonads-, character L (carotenoid)-dinoflagellates-; (2) characters M, N (carotenoids) and 39 (quadruple chloroplast membranes) 53 (flagella with stiff hairs, tubular mastigonemes)-groups excluding dinoflagellates- and characters 8 (cryptomonads phycocyanin and phycoerythrin) and E (carotenoid)-cryptomonads-, and (3) characters 3 (chlorophyll c_1) and 0 (carotenoid)-groups excluding dinoflagellates and cryptomonads thereto. The Ochrobionta is the monophyletically derived group having characters 3 and 38, and characters K, 37 and 46 appearing at the derivation of euglenoids in

Table 5. Distribution of nuclear division systems, mitochondria structures and lysine synthetic pathways. X. Nuclear division systems: 54. Nuclear envelope partly disintegrated (polar fenestrae) and tubules extranuclear, 55. Nuclear envelope intact and tubules intranuclear, 56. Nuclear envelope disintegrated (breaks down) and extranuclear tubules; XI. Mitochondria structures: 57 Flattened cristae, 58. Tubular cristae; XII. Lysine synthesis: 59. DAP pathway, 60. AAA pathway.¹⁾ Extranuclear tubules occur in most dinoflagellates and some protozoa

	X	XI	XII	References						
	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	X	XI	XII
Bacteria										114,151,247,427,463
Cyanophytes										463
Rhodophytes	+		+	?	+	97,183,198,308		44,142,330,467		103
Chlorophytes	+	+	+	+	+	97,127,128,131,183,198,224,294-296 302,371-375,428,443,452,454		28,33,241,259,405,443,467		403,458,463,464
Prasinophytes	+	+	+			357,429,443		209,352,443		
Euglenoids	+	+			+	97,152,198,252,253,255,423,443		50,253,255,414,443		403,458,464
Metaphytes		+	+			183				318,416,459,463,464
Dinoflagellates	+ ¹⁾		+			94,97,183,198,239,246,337,398,443,450		96,98,239,250,443		
Cryptomonads			+	+		97,249,334-336,443		95,271,411,443		
Phaeophytes	+	+	+			50,97,198,327		45,405,443		
Diatoms		+		+		97,183,198		109-110,184,430,443		
Chrysophytes		+	+			97,183,419,443		135,404,405,443,457		
Haptophytes		+	+			97,183,443		282,287,290,353		
Xanthophytes		+		+		97,443		42,120,121,256,405,443		
Chloromonads	+		+			97,196,197,443		443		
Eustigmatophytes	+		+			201,443		202		
Oomycetes	+		+	+		182,183,185,186,198,207		157,153,174,175,177,185,186,226,267		258,460,462-464
Hyphochytridiomycetes	+	+	+	+		141		141		253,461-464
Chytridiomycetes	+	+		+		183,212,262,399		262,377,378,389,390		258,461-464
Zygomycetes	+	+		+		136,183,307		175,176		258,460,462-464
Ascomycetes	+	+		+		27,183,198,309,317,368,400,447,468		29,175,268,319,447,453		240,258,462,464
Basidiomycetes	+	+	+		+	183,198,260,261,310,322,323,445		137,267,270,297,305,319,444,445		258,462,464
Labyrinthulids	+				+	183,198		366,367		
Plasmidiophorids	+	+			+	49,183,198,227		49		
Mycetozoia	+	+	+		+	6,8,9,168,183,198,312,316,401		205,267,311,331,409		
Protozoa	+	+ ¹⁾	+	+		198,221,443		95,443		348
Metazoa					+	+				

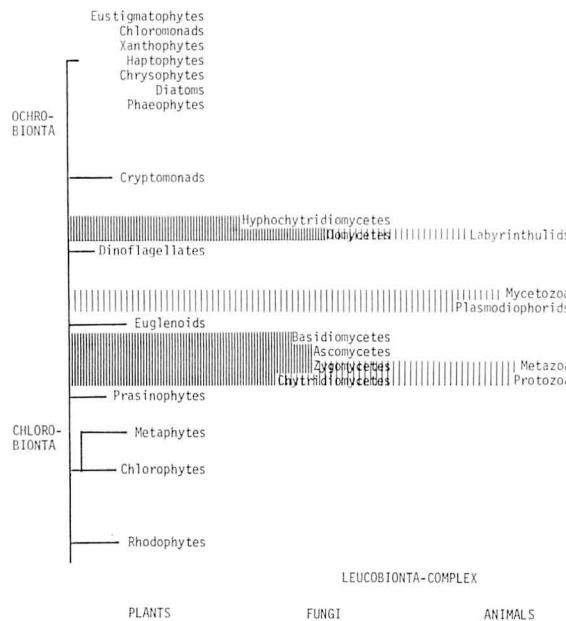


Fig. 1. Proposed scheme for diversification in the eucaryotic algae.

The eucaryotes are divided into plants, fungi and animals shown in solid line, dark belt and light belt, respectively. They consist of phyletically different groups, *viz.* (1) Chlorobionta, (2) Ochrobionta, (3) oomycetes and hypochytridiomycetes, (4) chytridiomycetes, zygomycetes, ascomycetes and basidiomycetes, (5) labyrinthulids, (6) plasmodiophorids and mycetozoa, and (7) protozoa and metazoa. (1) is derived from prokaryotes, (2) and (4) from Chlorobionta, and (3), (5) and (6) from Ochrobionta. (7) includes the derivatives from Chlorobionta and Ochrobionta. (3)–(7) are designated as Leucobionta-complex.

addition to characters B, J, 45 etc. in rhodophytes and characters 42, 49, 51 etc. in chlorophytes are found in the characters linking the Ochrobionta with the Chlorobionta, therefore the Ochrobionta are considered to have derived after the origination of prasinophytes by the gradual acquisition of new characters in the order of (1) dinoflagellates, (2) cryptomonads and (3) the groups excluding dinoflagellates and cryptomonads as shown in Fig. 1. Among the groups of Ochrobionta, brown autotrophs possesses the characters like (1) cellulose walled cells having flagella with stiff hairs, mitosis (nuclear envelope disintegrated and tubules extranuclear), and mitochondria with tubular cristae, (2) photosynthetic apparatus consisting of chlorophyll *a*, *c*₁, *c*₂, carotenoids A, H–K, M, three unappressed thylakoids, and quadruple chloroplast membranes, and (3) the production of β -1,3 linked glucan as

a reserve product predominating.

The Leucobionta-complex includes the fungi, oomycetes, hypochytridiomycetes, chytridiomycetes, zygomycetes, ascomycetes and basidiomycetes, and the animals, labyrinthulids, plasmodiophorids, mycetozoa, protozoa and metazoa, and is considered as the derivatives polyphyletically from the Chlorobionta and the Ochrobionta. The characters linking Leucobionta-complex with Chlorobionta and Ochrobionta appears in each different group as follows: (1) *characters appearing in both fungi and animals*; characters F, H (carotenoids) in chytridiomycetes, zygomycetes, ascomycetes, basidiomycetes (b-fungi) and mycetozoa, character 40 (glycogen) in chytridiomycetes, ascomycetes, basidiomycetes, mycetozoa, protozoa and metazoa, character 41 (starch) in ascomycetes, basidiomycetes and protozoa, character 43 (osmotrophy) in all fungi, and

animals character 47 (cellulose) in oomycetes, hyphochytridiomycetes (a-fungi), ascomycetes, mycetozoa, protozoa and metazoa, character 48 (chitin) in all fungi, protozoa and metazoa, character 51 (smooth flagella) in oomycetes, chytridiomycetes and all animals, character 53 (flagella with stiff hairs) in a-fungi, labyrinthulids, protozoa and metazoa, character 55 (nuclear envelope, intact) in all fungi and animals other than labyrinthulids and metazoa, character 56 (nuclear envelope, disintegrated) in basidiomycetes, mycetozoa and metazoa, character 57 (mitochondria with flattened cristae) in b-fungi, protozoa and metazoa, and character 58 (mitochondria with tubular cristae) in a-fungi and all animals excluding metazoa; (2) *characters appearing in the fungi*: character A (carotenoid) in zygomycetes, ascomycetes and basidiomycetes, character 42 (β -1, 3 linked glucan) in oomycetes, ascomycetes and basidiomycetes, character 59 (DAP) in a-fungi, and character 60 (AAA) in b-fungi; and (3) *characters appearing in the animals*: character 46 (phagotrophy) in all animals excluding labyrinthulids, character 49 (naked form) and 50 (amoeboid form) in all animals, character 52 (flagella with fine hairs) in protozoa, and character 54 (nuclear envelope, polar fenestrae) in labyrinthulids, plasmodiophorids, mycetozoa and protozoa. Among these characters A, F, H, 40, 41, 43, 47 and 59 appear first in the prokaryotes; characters 48, 54 and 57 in rhodophytes, characters 42, 49, 51, 52, 55 and 56 in chlorophytes, characters 46 and 60 in euglenoids, characters 50 and 58 in dinoflagellates, and characters 53 in cryptomonads. Characters appearing in groups (1) oomycetes and hyphochytridiomycetes, (2) chytridiomycetes, zygomycetes, ascomycetes and basidiomycetes, (3) labyrinthulids, (4) plasmodiophorids and mycetozoa, and (5) protozoa and metazoa are conditioned with the presence of the newly acquired characters 53, 60, 53, 50 and 58, and 46, respectively, so the groups (1)-(5) are considered to have derived after the origination of dinoflagellates, prasinophytes, dinoflagellates, euglenoids and prasino-

phytes, respectively, as shown in Fig. 1. The group (5) includes the group(s) derived from the Ochromionta having the characters 50, 53 and/or 58.

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細胞レベルの性質の分布から、真核生物は緑色生物群、褐色生物群と白色生物複合群に大別される。緑色生物群は、セルロース壁をもつ緑色自栄養生物の優位な群で、紅藻、緑藻、プラシノ藻と緑虫群などからなり、原核生物に由来しこの順序で生じた。褐色生物群は、セルロース壁をもつ褐色自栄養生物の優位な群で、渦鞭藻、クリプト藻と他の褐色藻からなり、プラシノ藻派生後、この順序で生じた。白色生物複合群は、多元的な従属栄養生物群で、キチン壁をもつ吸収摂取の優位なカビと裸細胞で捕食摂取の優位な動物を含み、前者の卵菌とサカゲツボカビ群は渦鞭藻、ツボカビ群、接合菌、子ノウ菌と担子菌はプラシノ藻派生後、後者のラビリンチュラ群は渦鞭藻、ネコブカビ群と動菌は緑虫群、原生動物と後生動物はプラシノ藻派生後に生じた。(113 東京都文京区弥生 1-1-1, 東京大学応用微生物研究所)