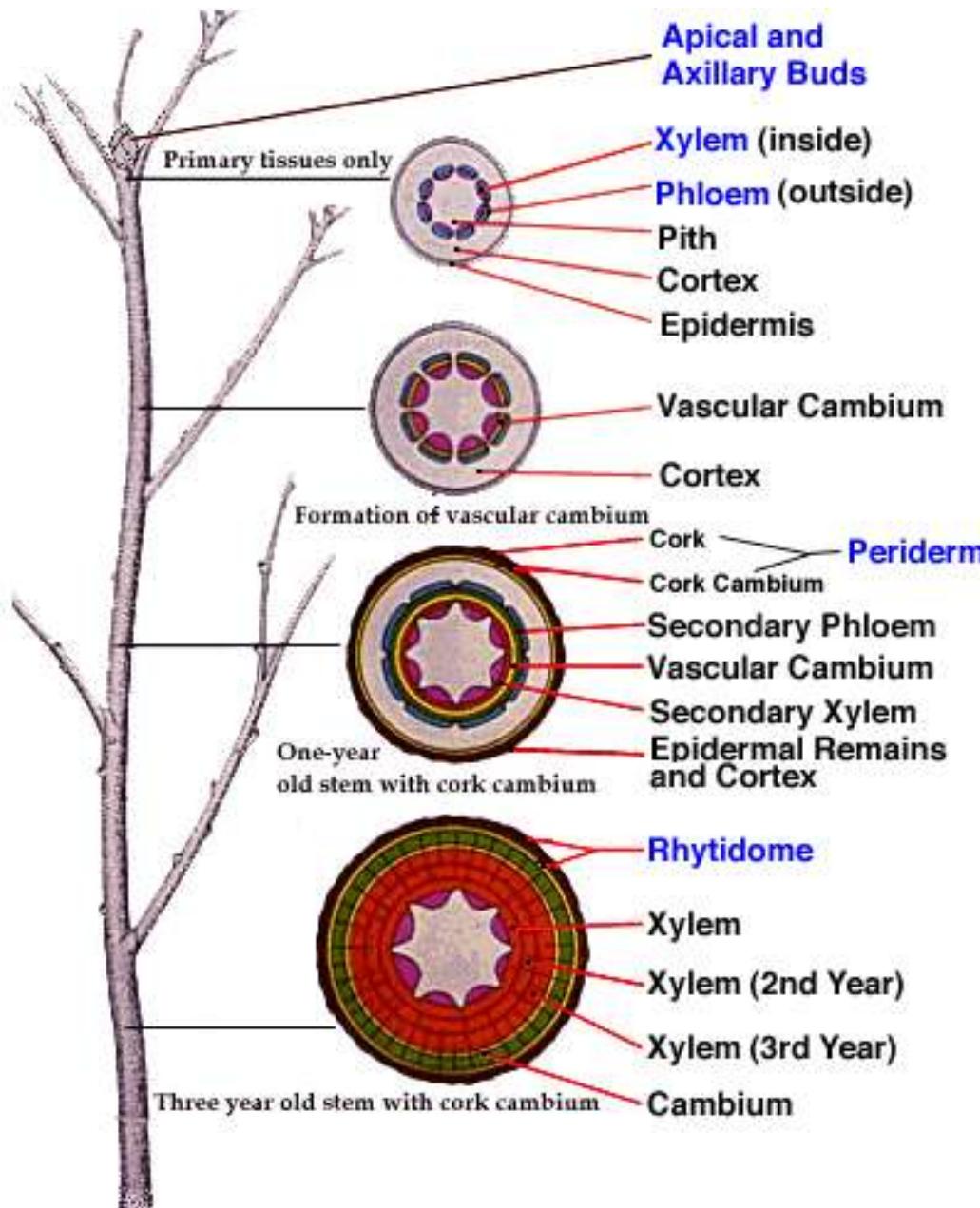
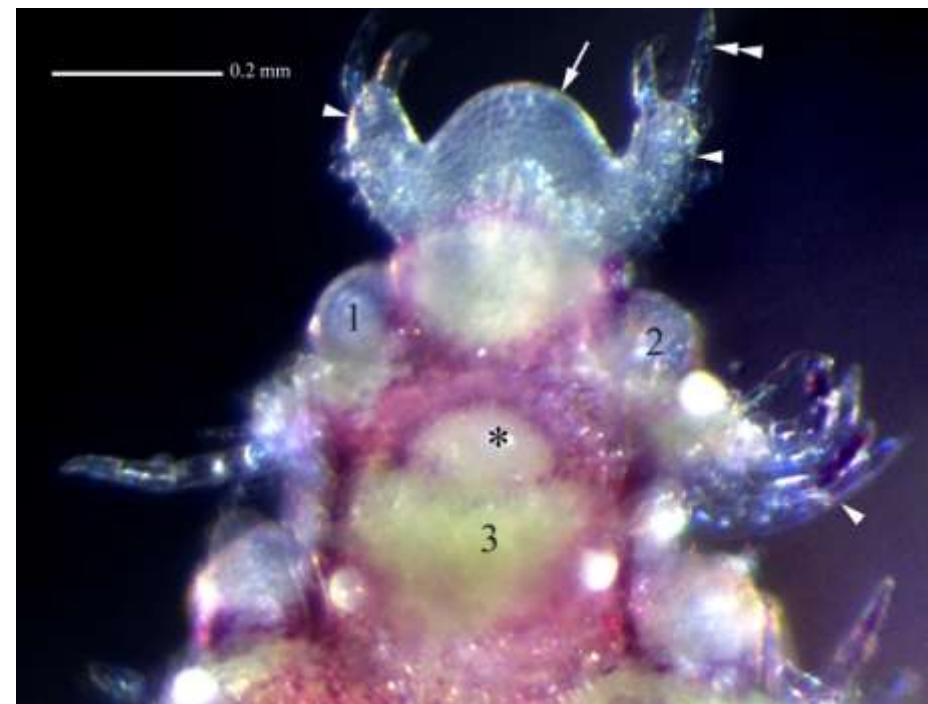
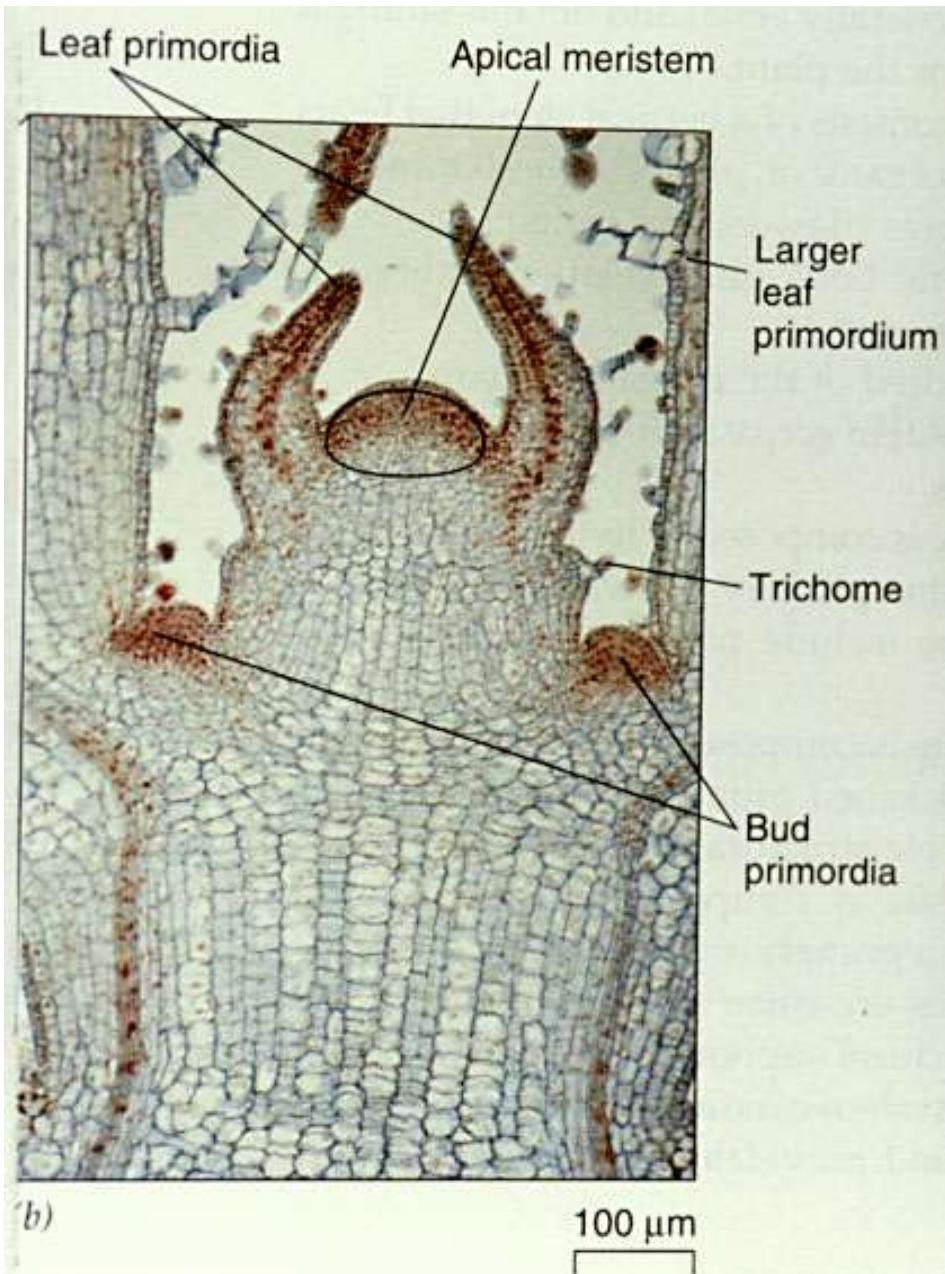


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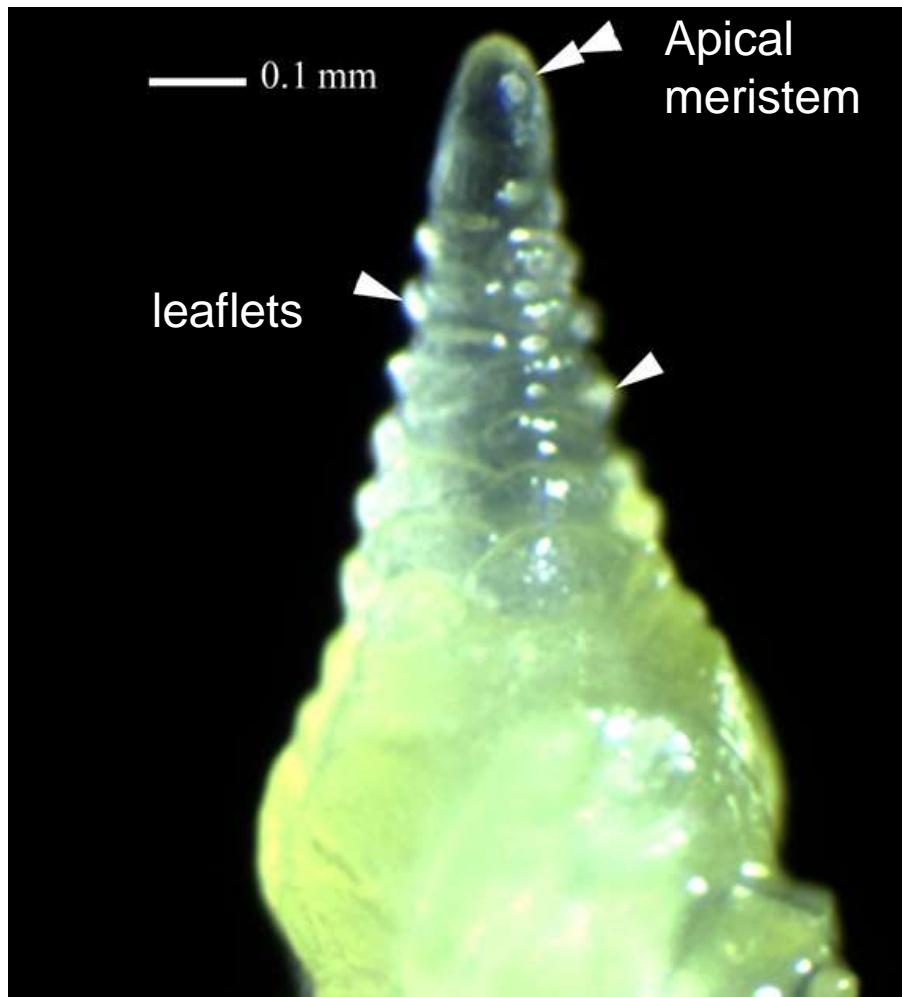


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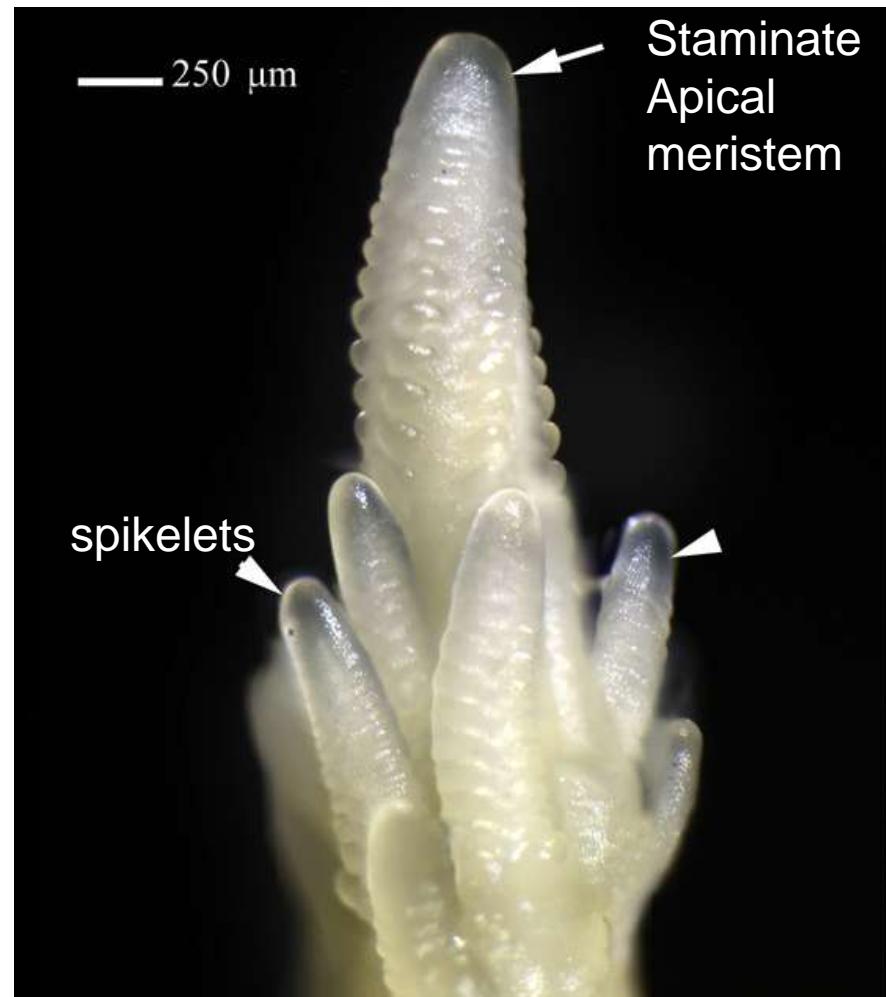


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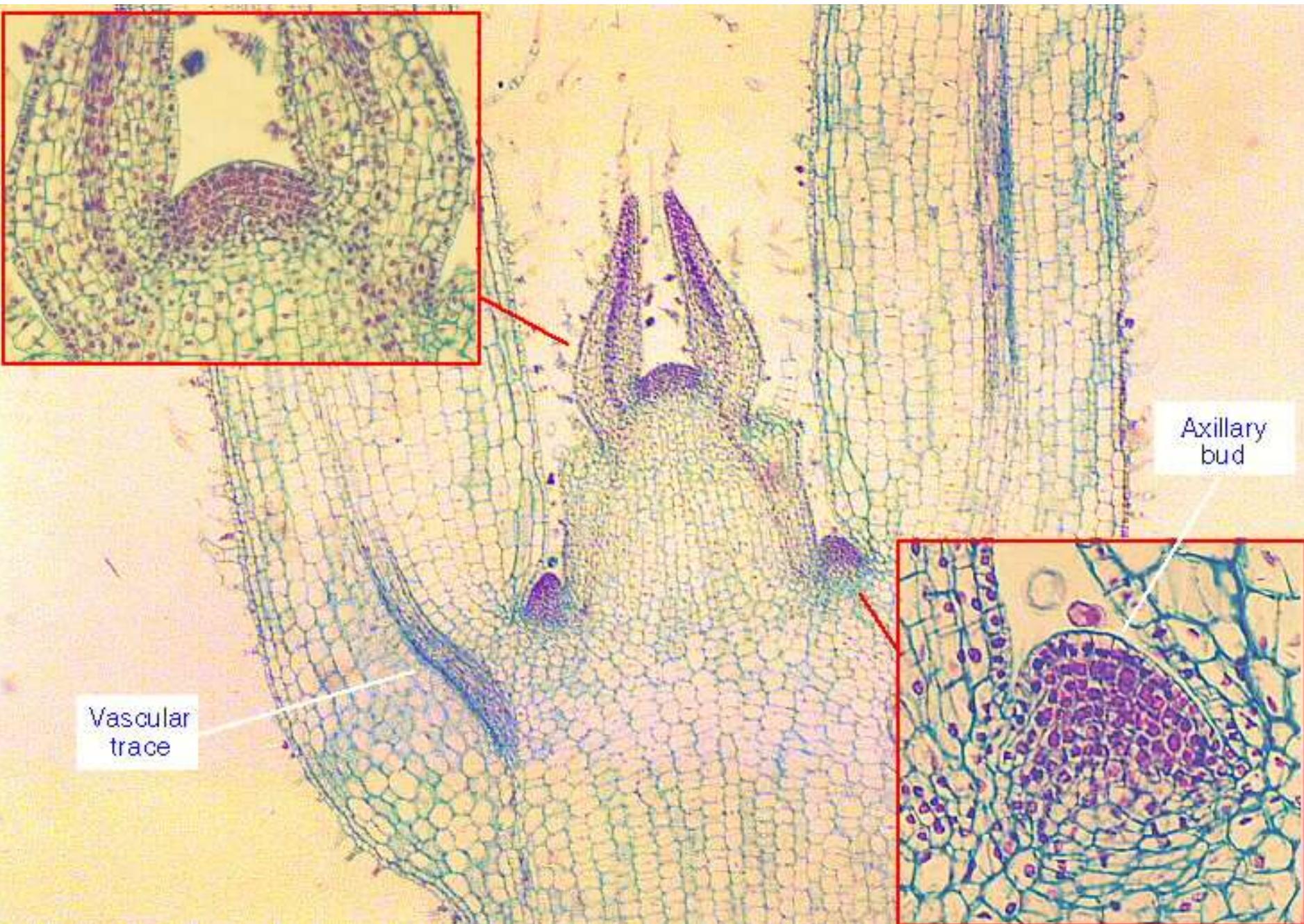
Elodea canadensis



Zea mays



Coleus – apical meristem

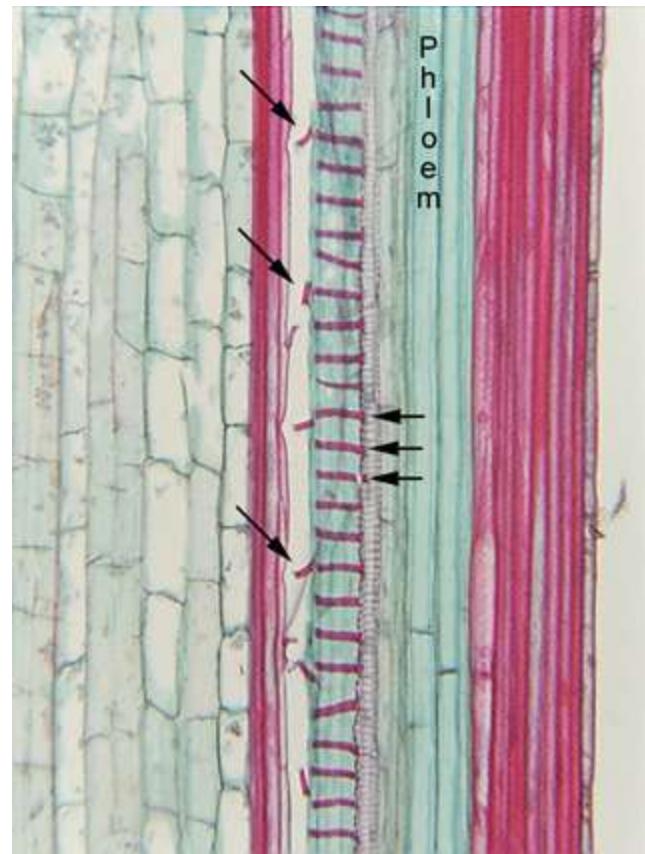


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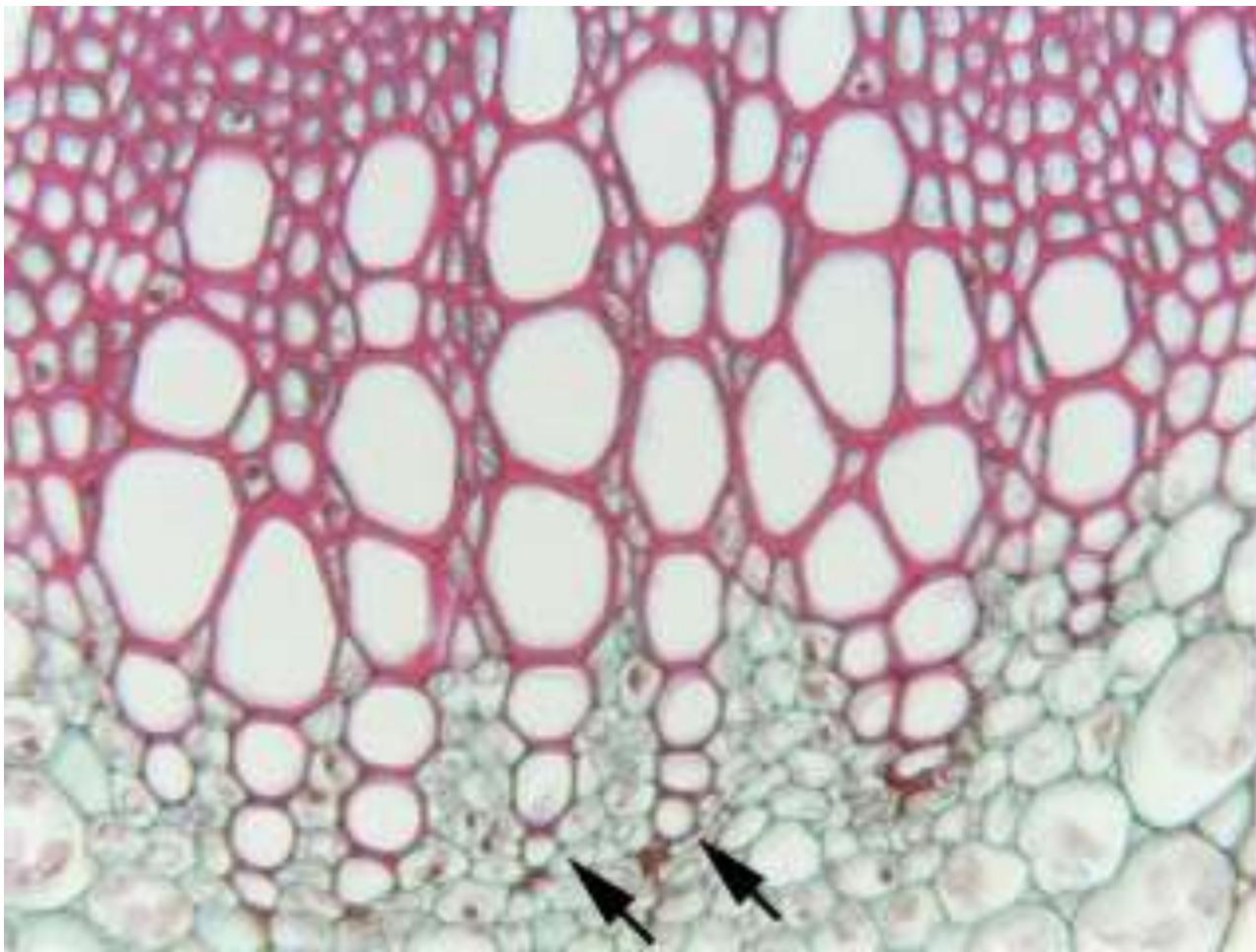


Cucurbita protoxylem
with spiral and annular
thickenings.

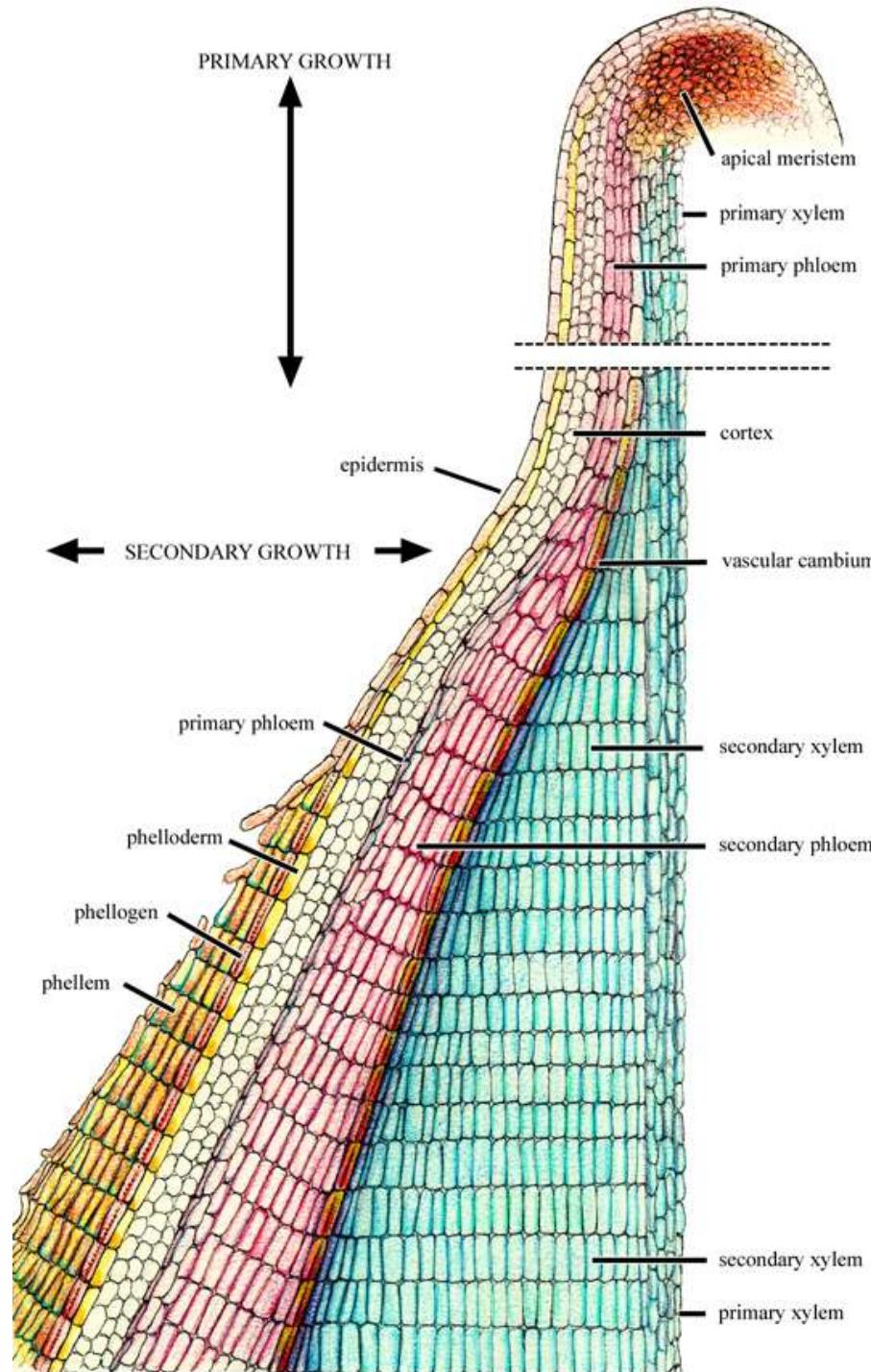
Early Vessel



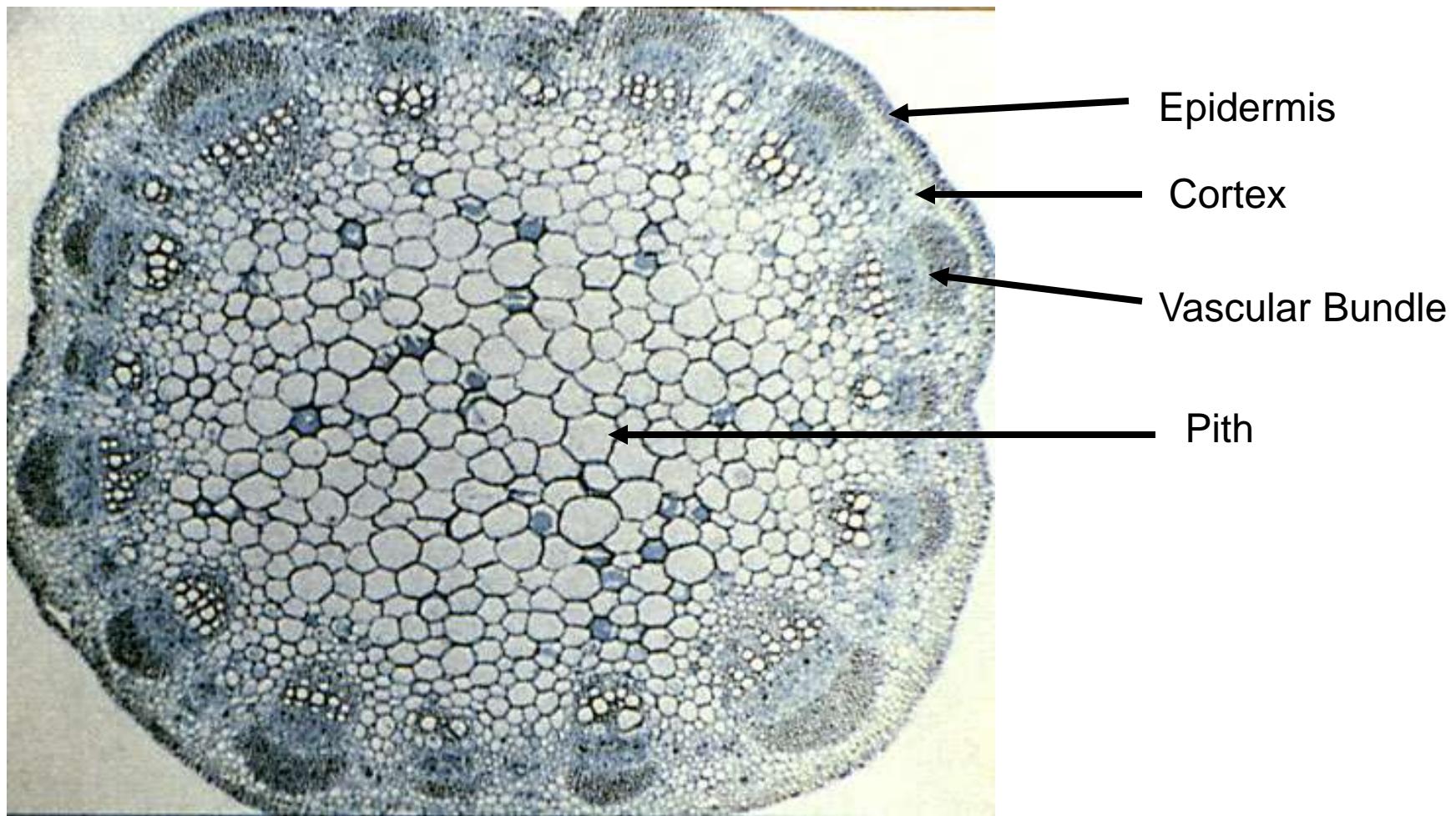
Protoxylem and Metaxylem in *Euphorbia*



Primary Growth vs. Secondary Growth



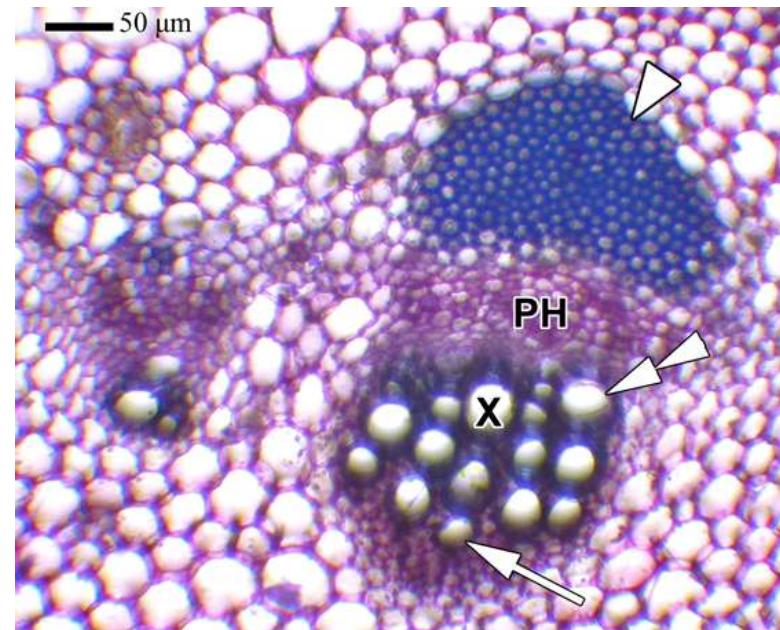
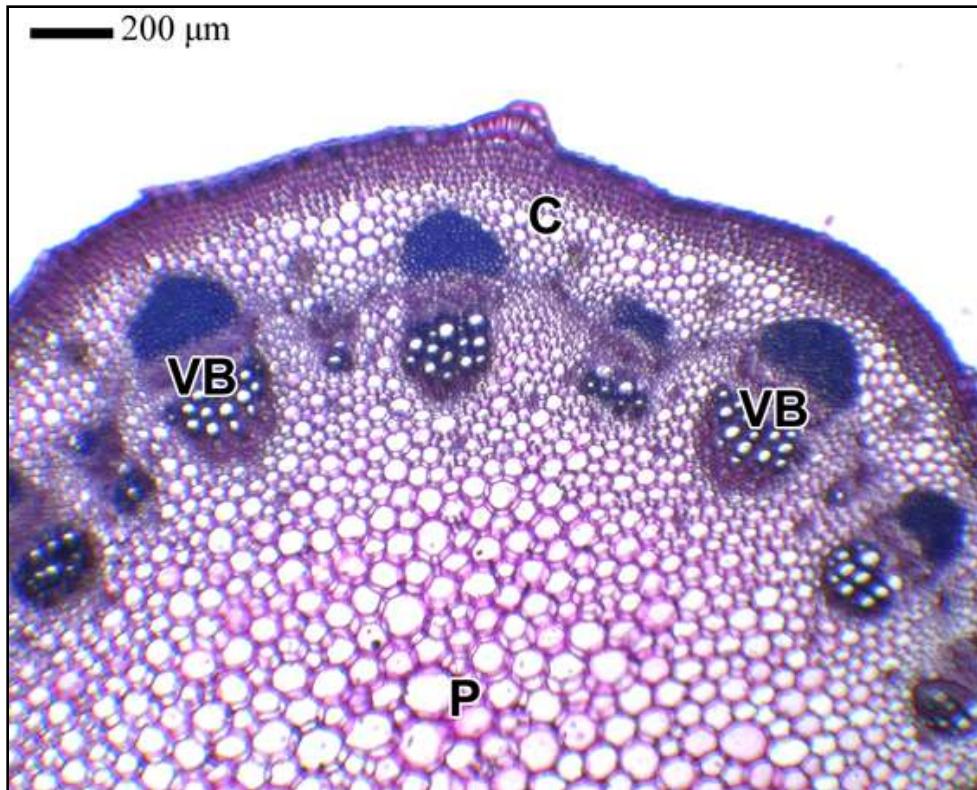
Dicot – Young Stem



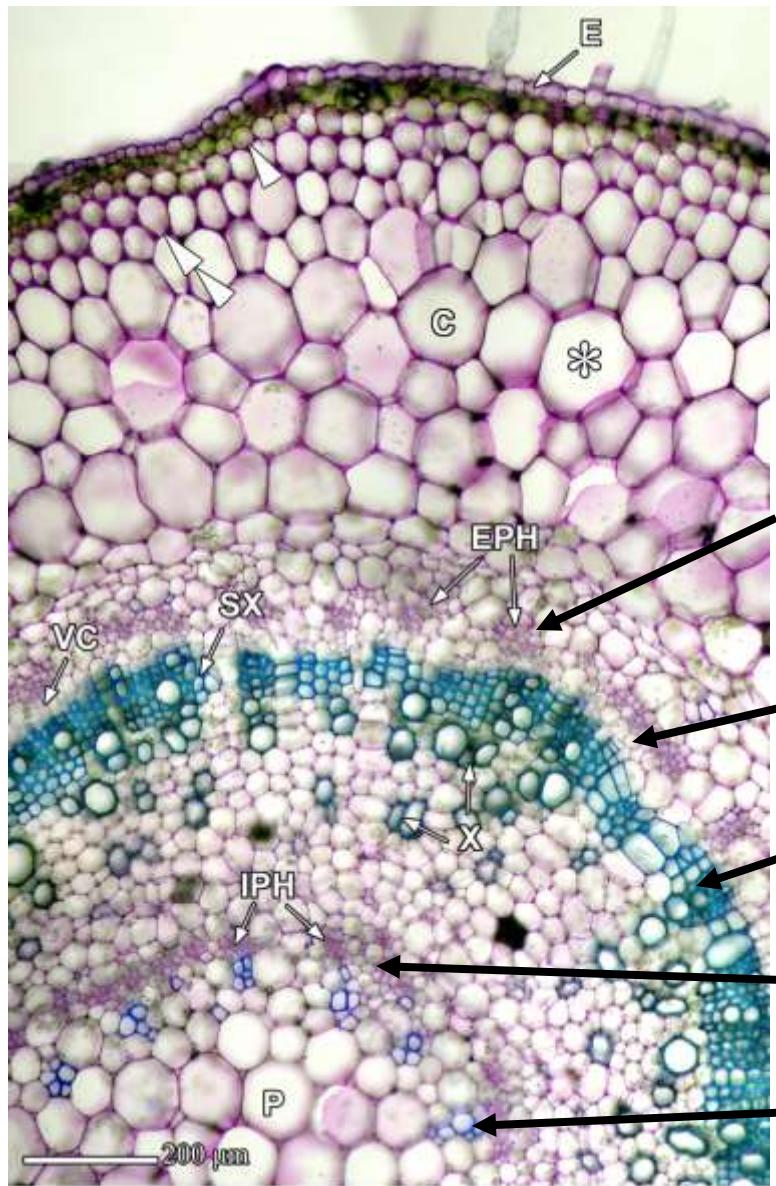
Vascular Bundles



Stem Structure - *Helianthus annuus* - TBO



Solanum lycopersicon – Tomato = TBO



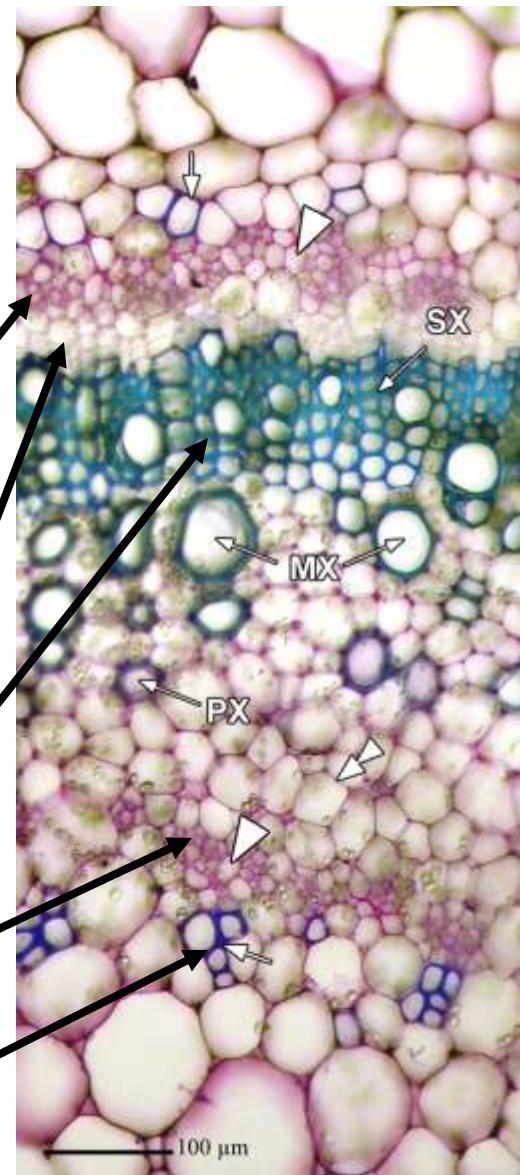
External phloem

Vascular cambium

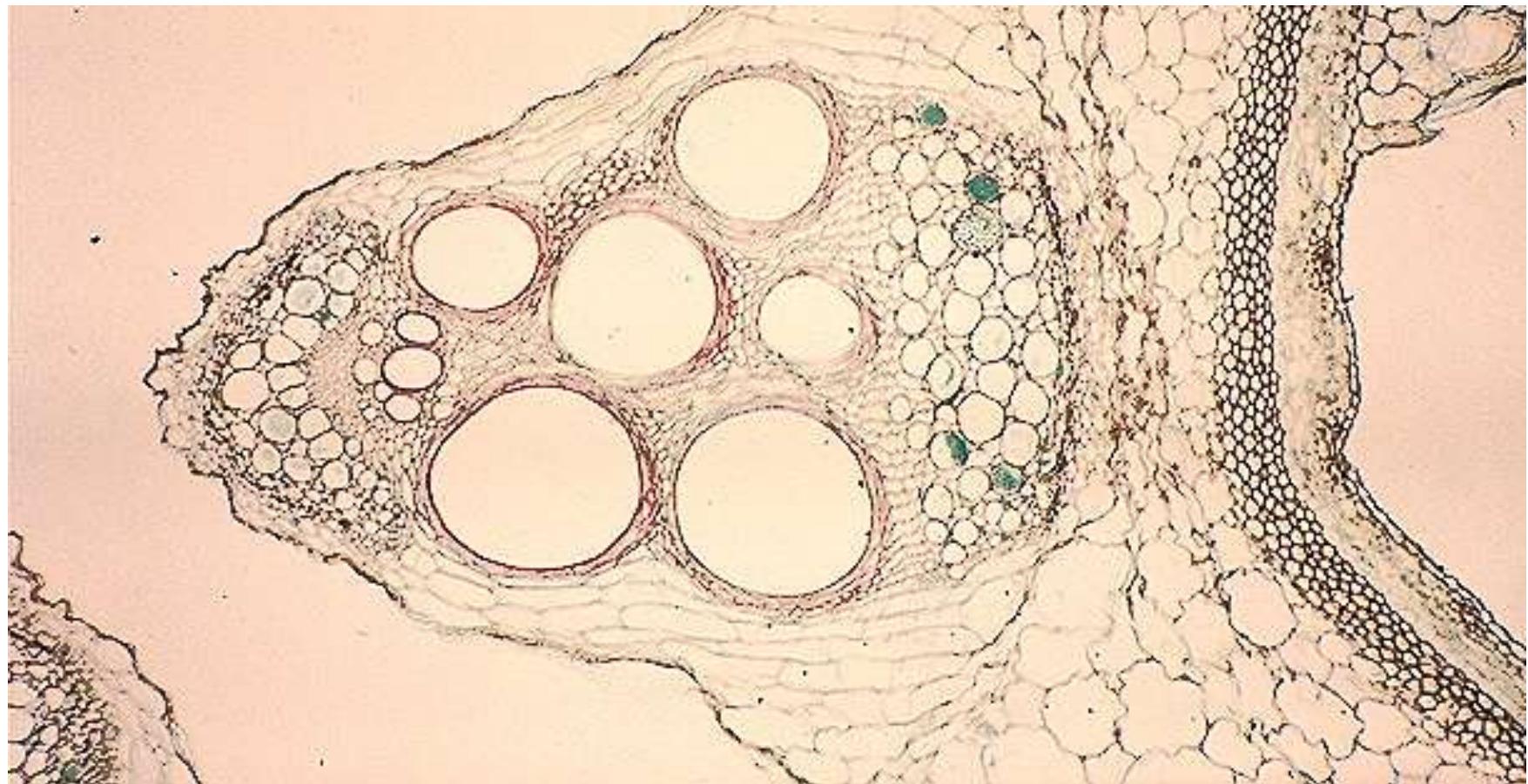
Xylem

Internal phloem

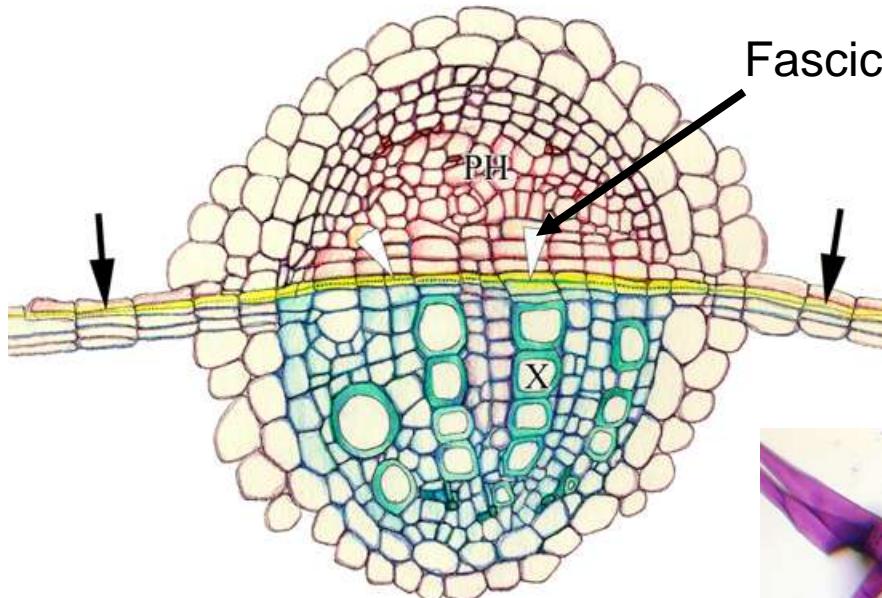
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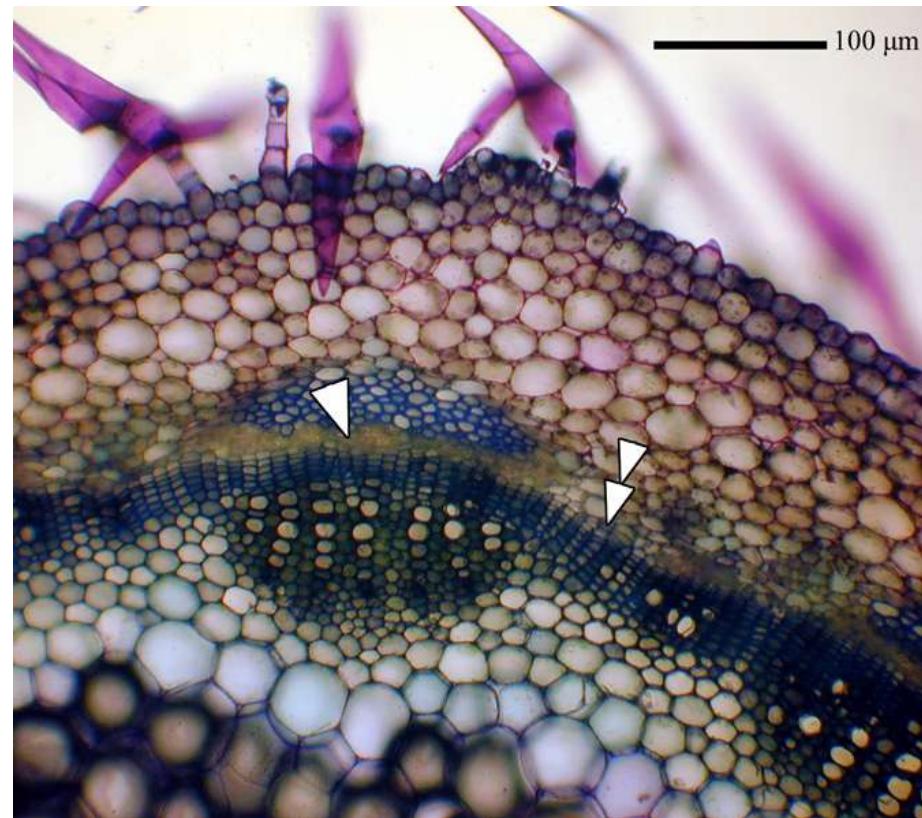
Cucurbita – bicollateral bundle, internal and external phloem



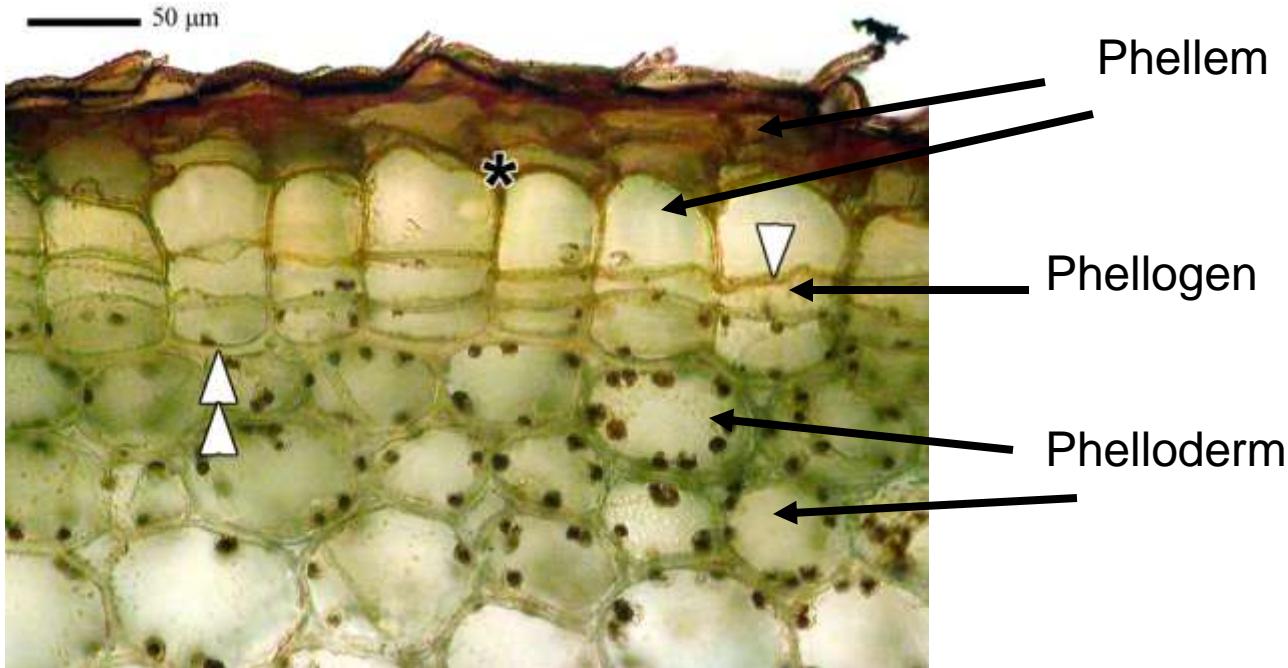
Vascular Cambium



Chrysanthemum – TBO
Interfascicular cambium

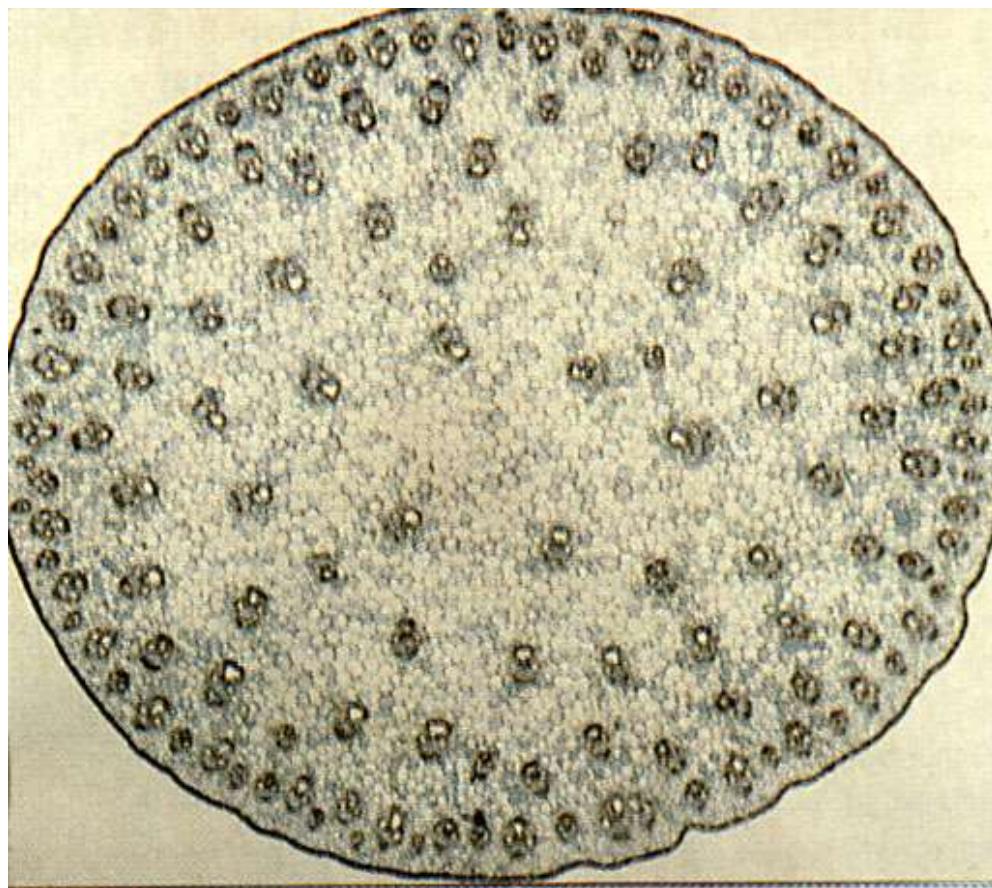


Pelargonium (Geranium) stem

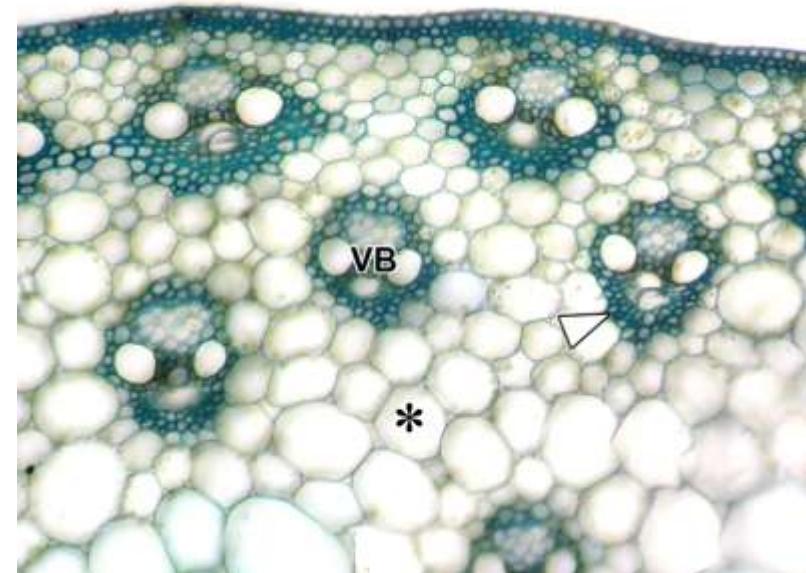


Monocot Stem

Zea mays

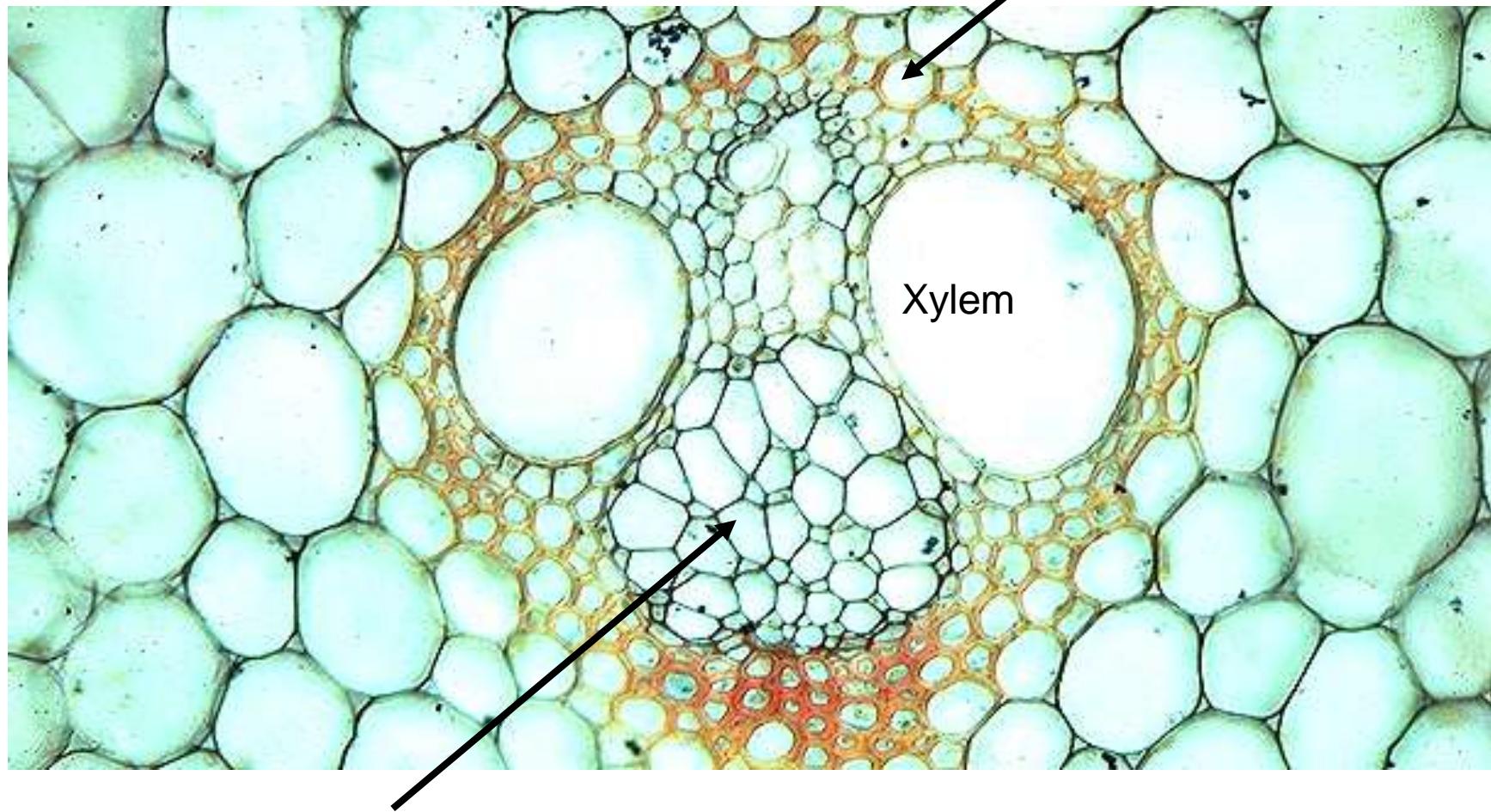


— 100 µm



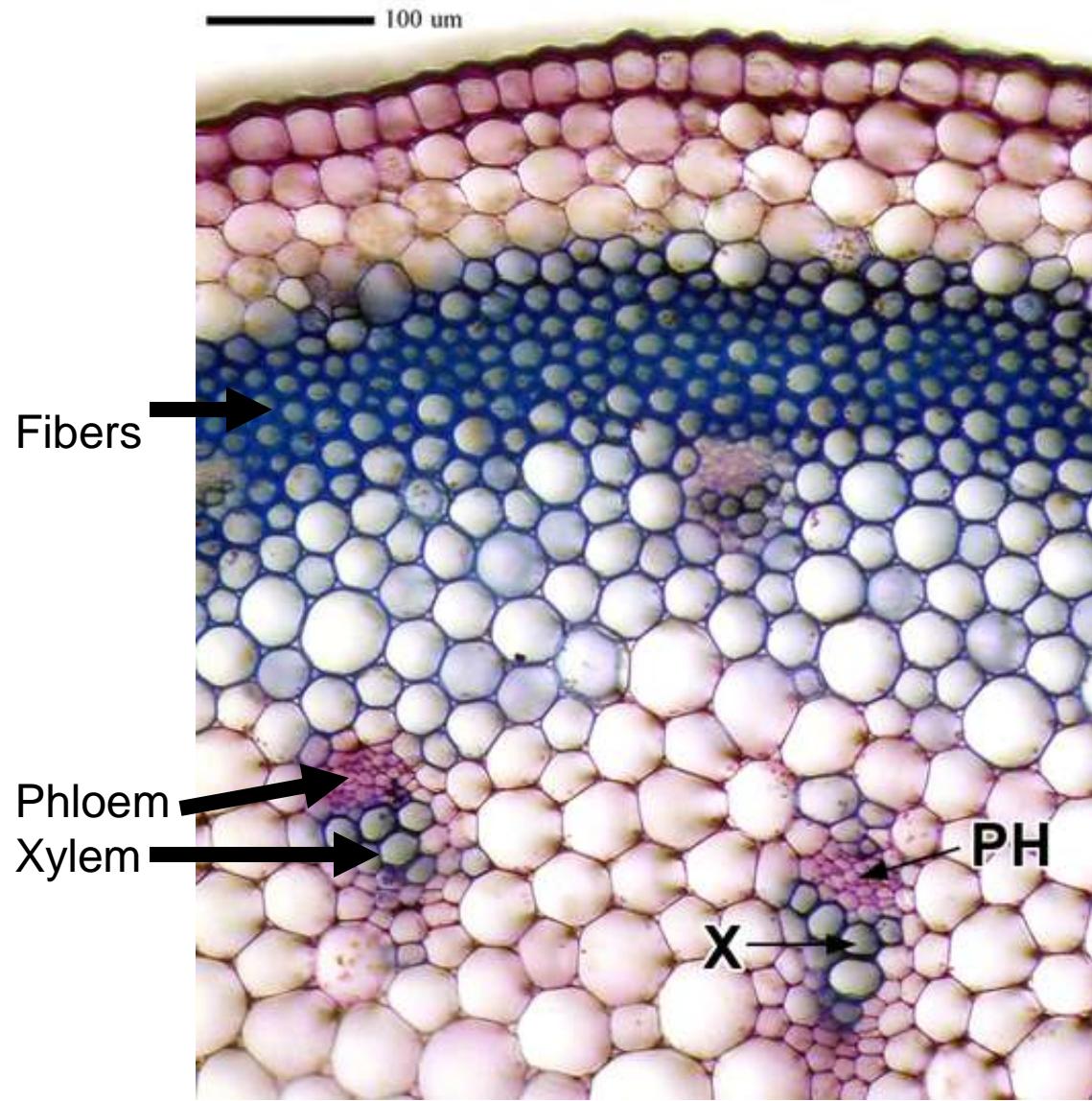
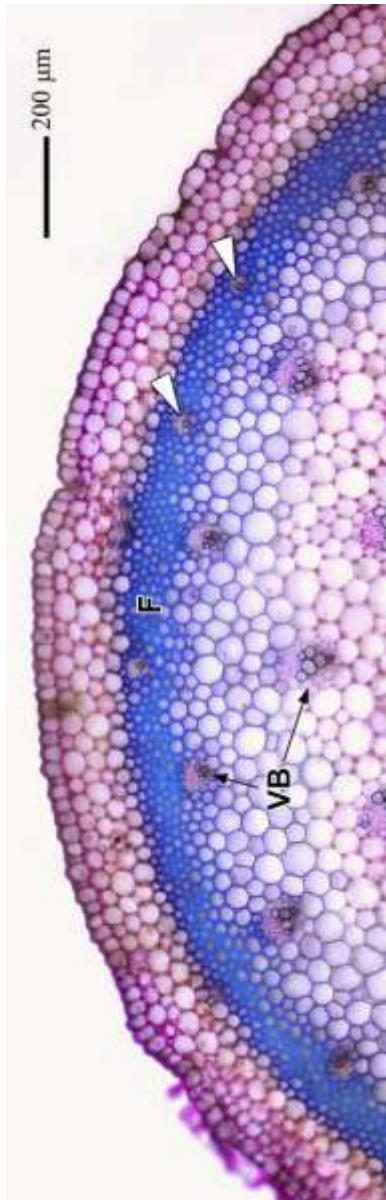
Zea mays – vascular bundle

Sclerified bundle sheath

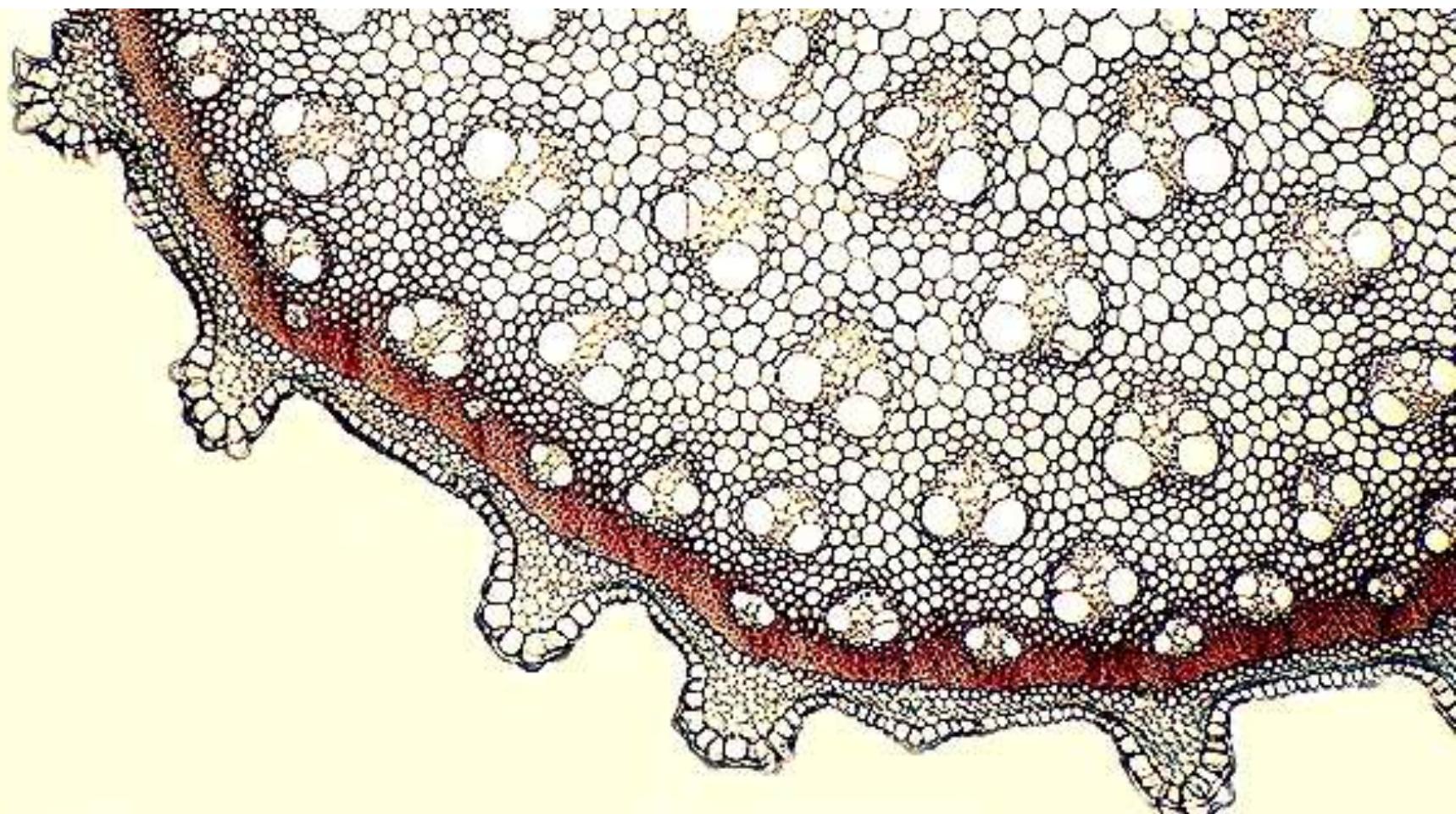


Phloem
Sieve Tube Members
Companion cells

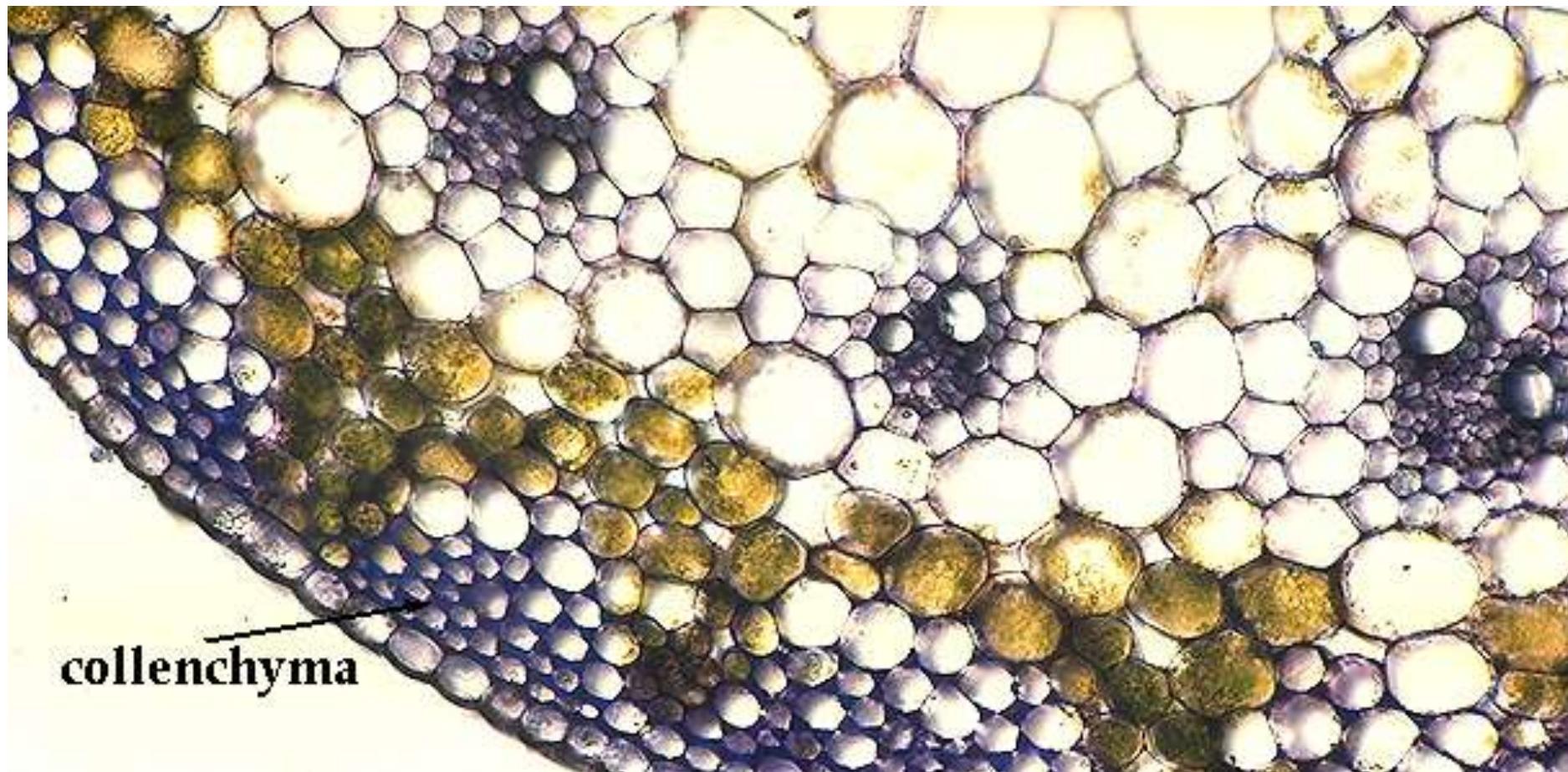
Spider plant – *Chlorophytum* – stained with TBO



Asparagus – sclerenchyma forms support tissue



Tradescantia – collenchyma provides support tissue

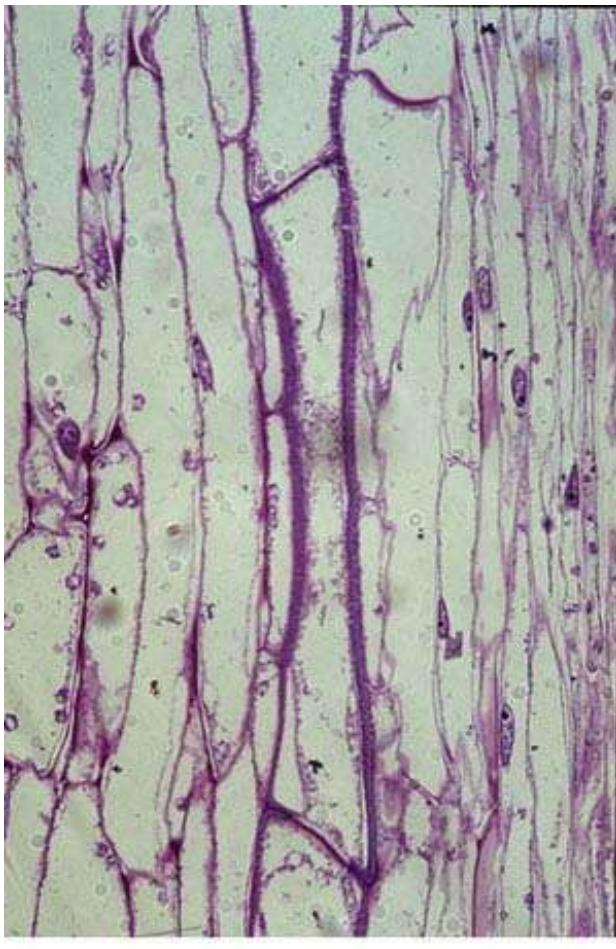


Xylem development in *Eupatoium*



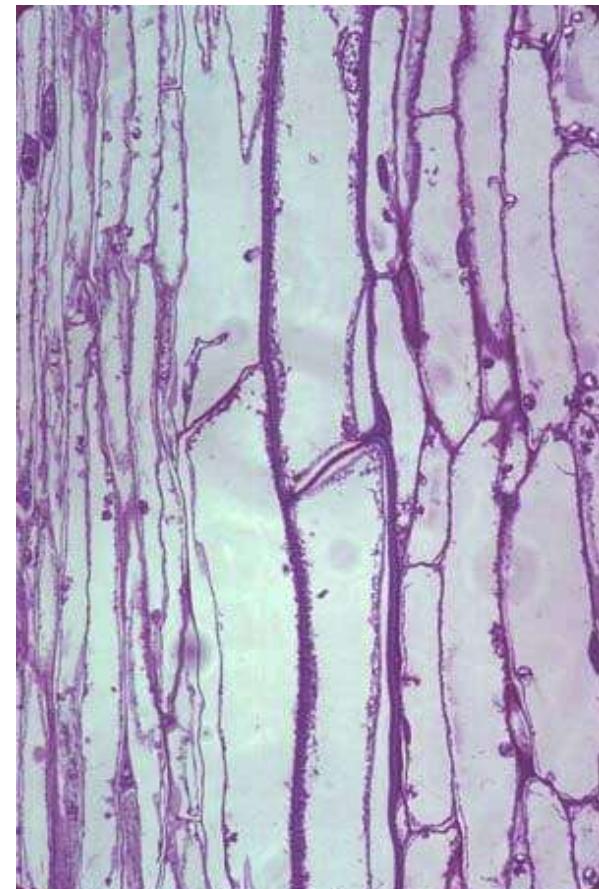
Eupatorium rugosum protoxylem.

Protoxylem



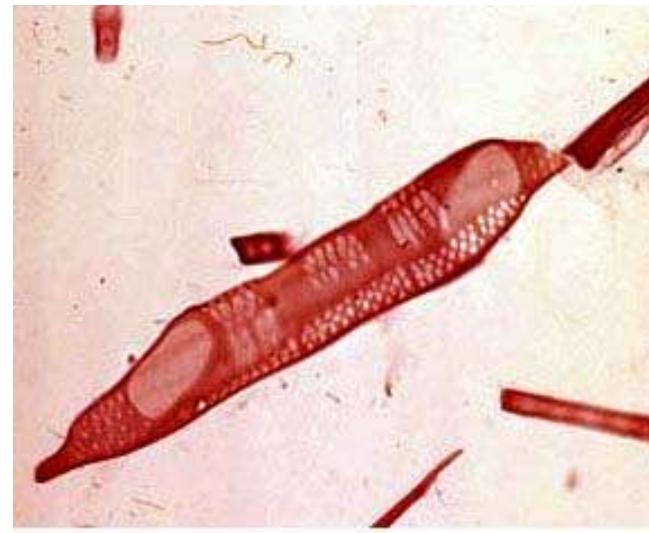
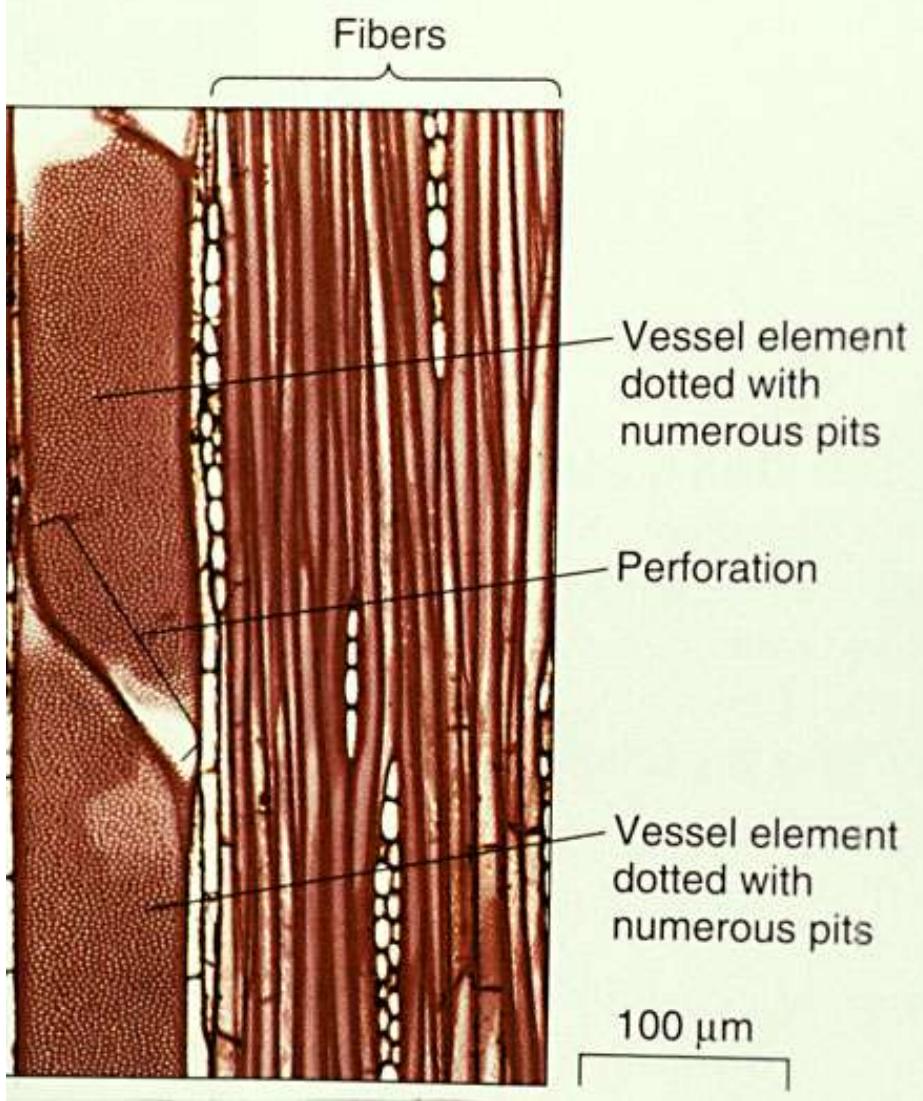
Eupatorium rugosum early xylem vessel development.

Vessel development

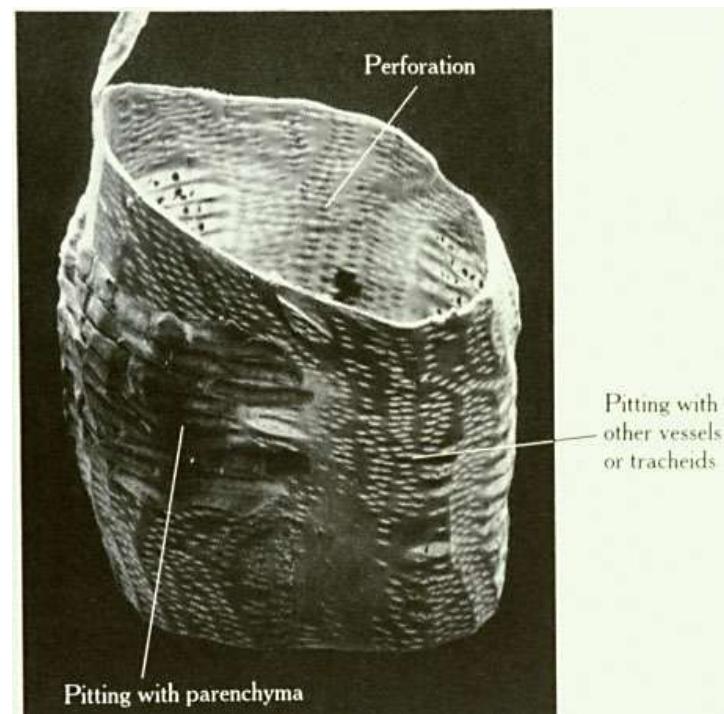


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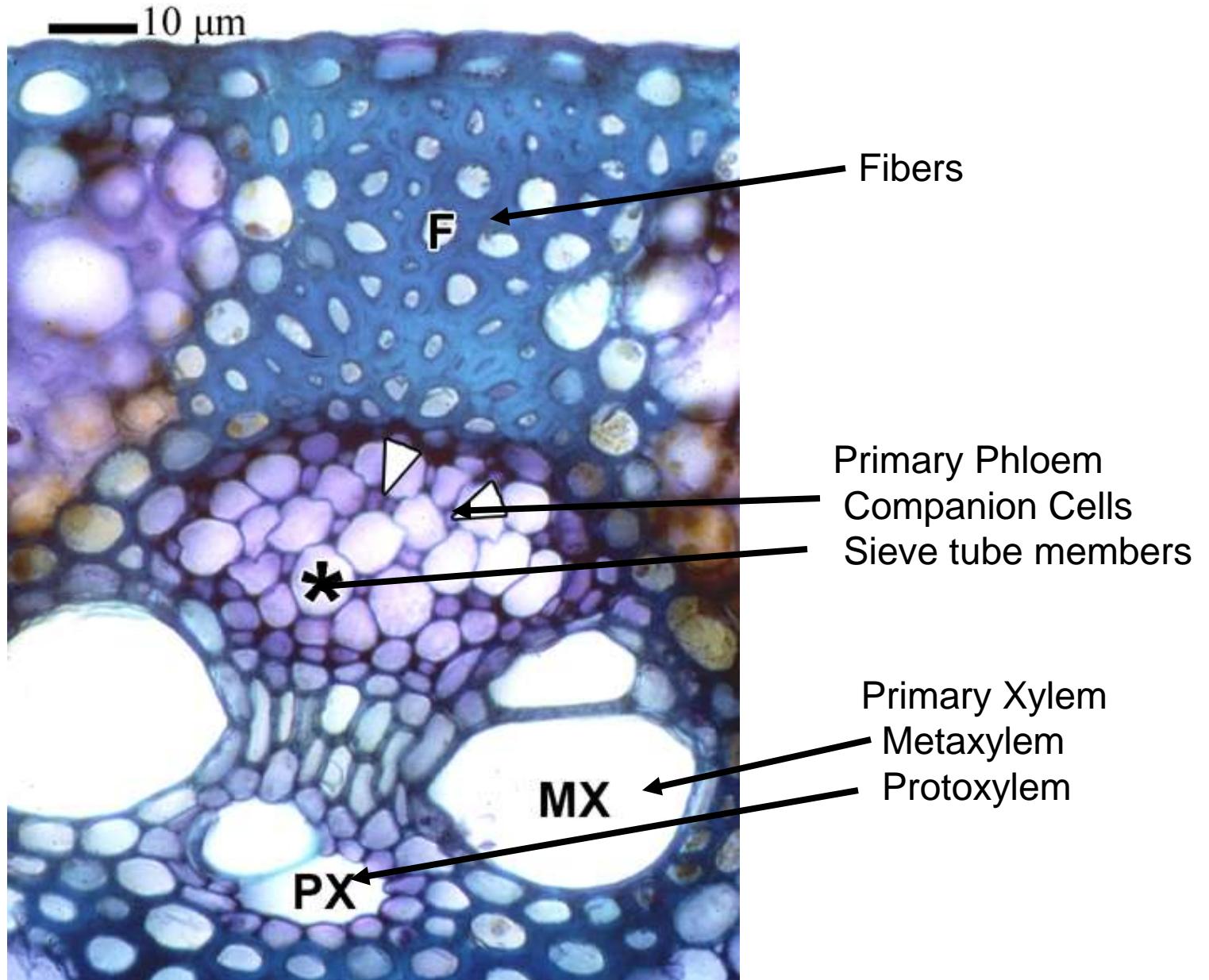
Xylem



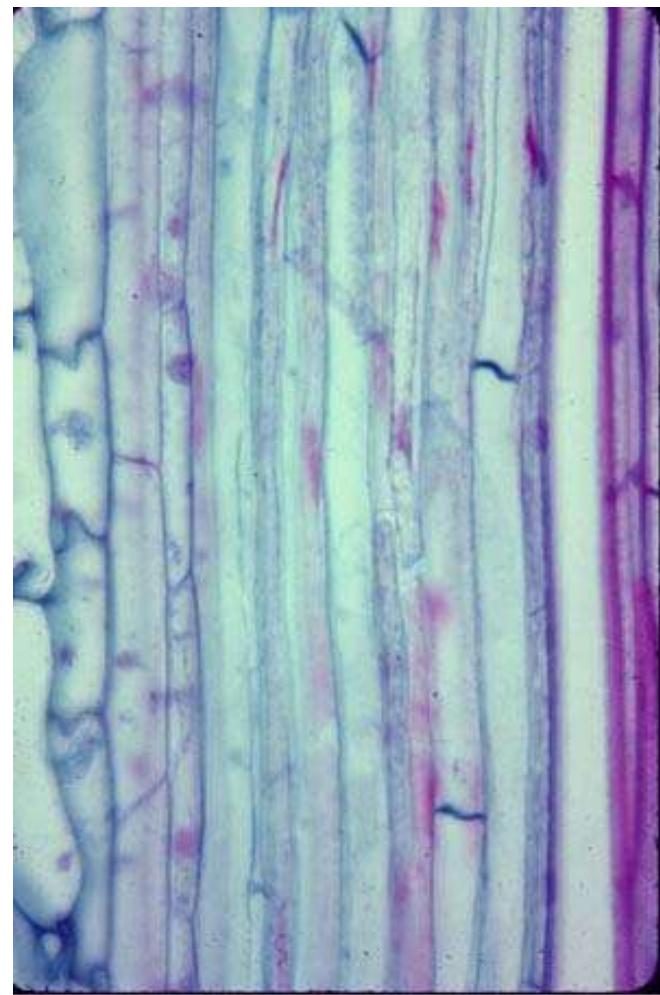
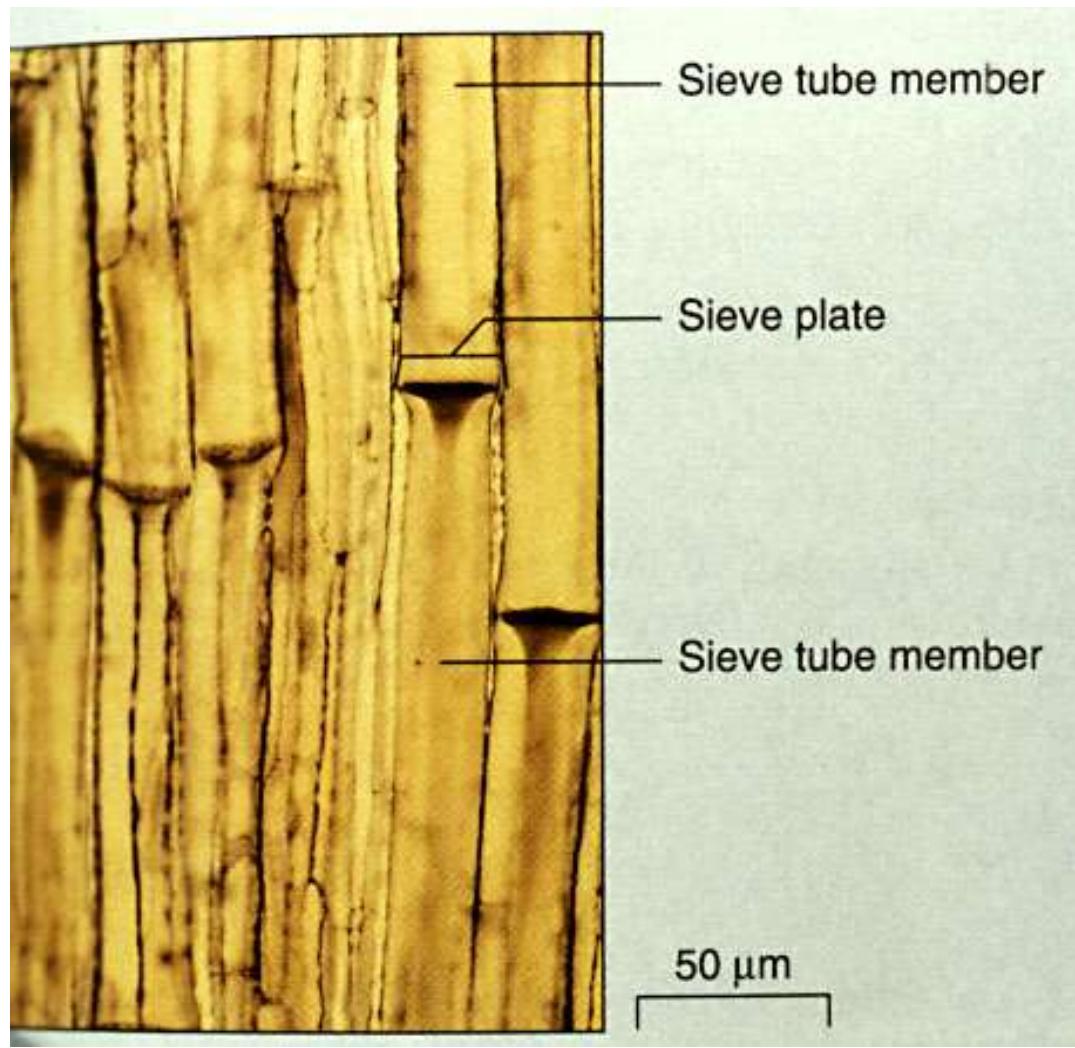
Salix vessel.



Zea mays – vascular bundle



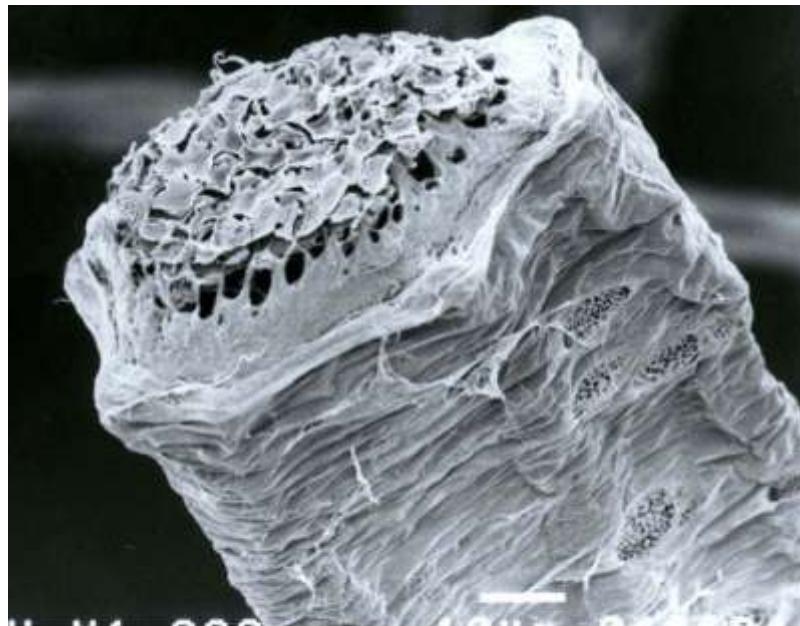
Phloem



Zea stem longisection with sieve tube members, companion cells and sieve plates.

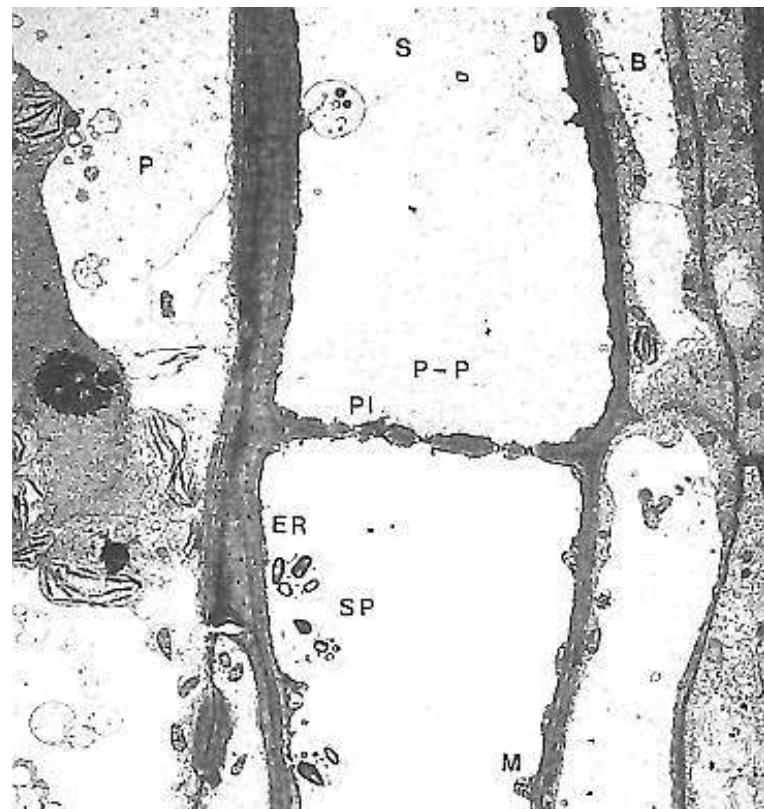
Sieve Plate

SEM

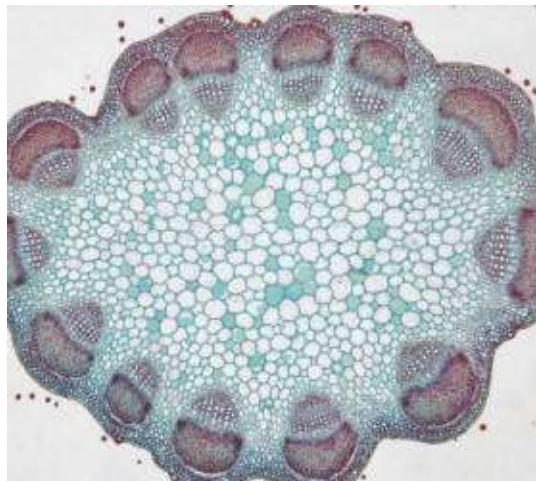


Cucurbita sieve plate partially blocked by slime plug.

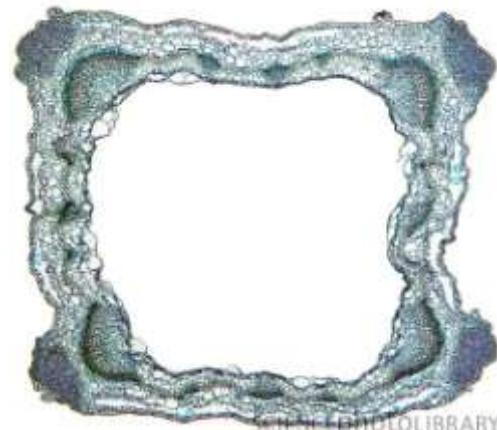
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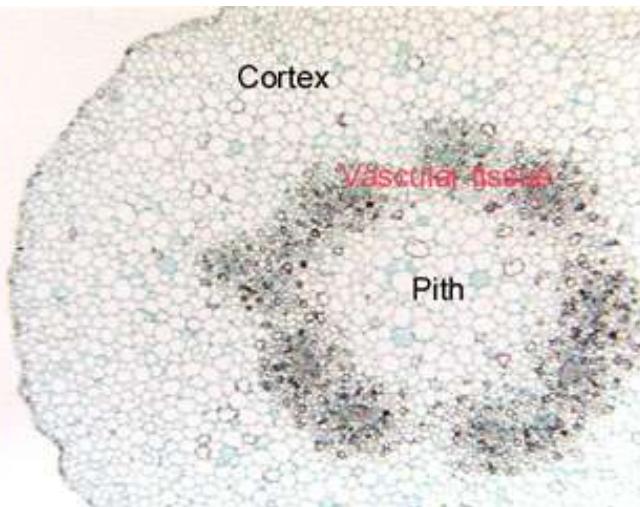
Pith



Trifolium



Mint



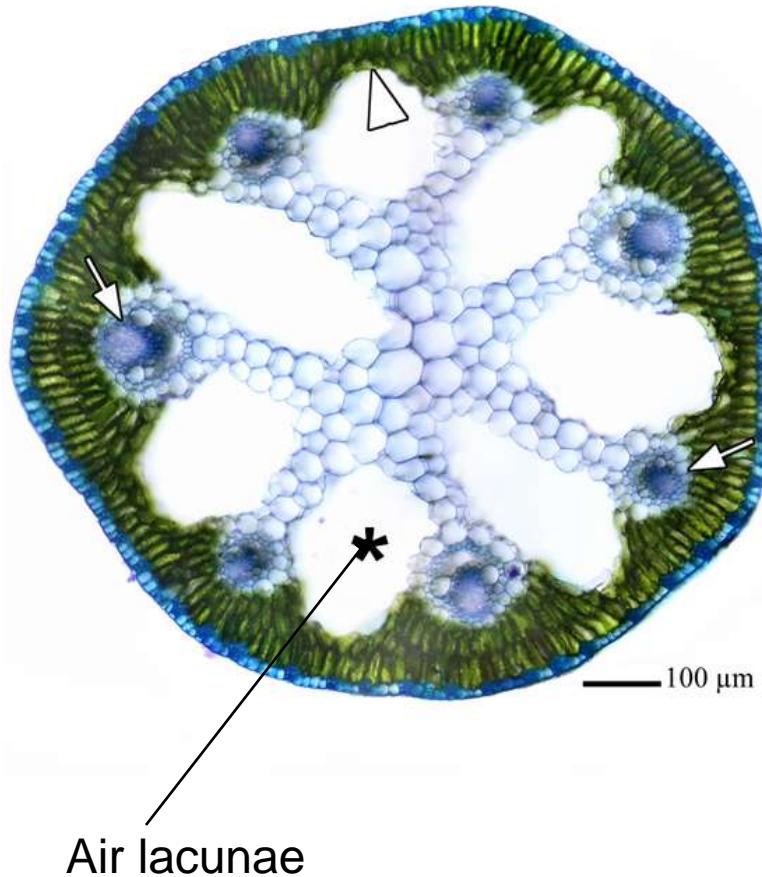
Monotropa (weak stem)



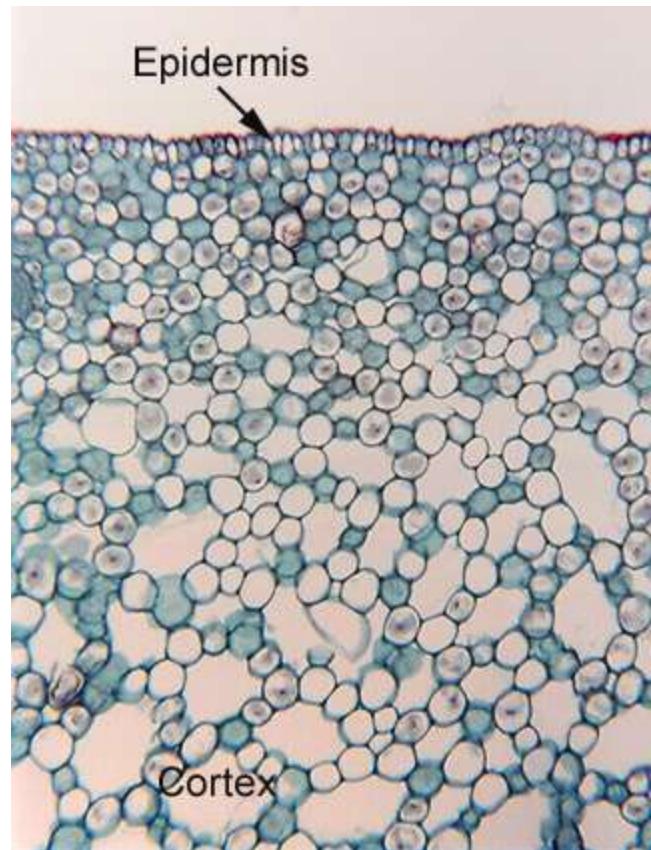
Juglans (chambered pith)

Stems of Aquatic Plants

Eleocharis parvula - Rush



Epidermis



Acorus - aerenchyma

Milky Sap - Latex



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Euphorbia - Spurge



Opium



Hevea

Laticifers – latex containing cells



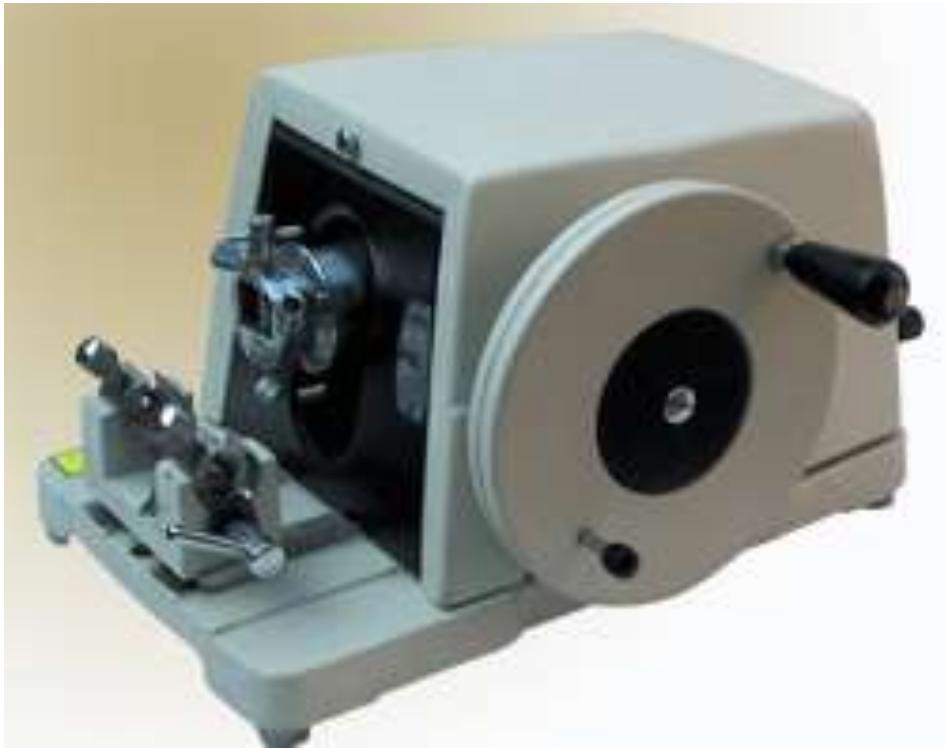
Euphorbia stem longisection
with laticifers.



Opuntia stem cross section
with laticifers in cortex.

Microtomes

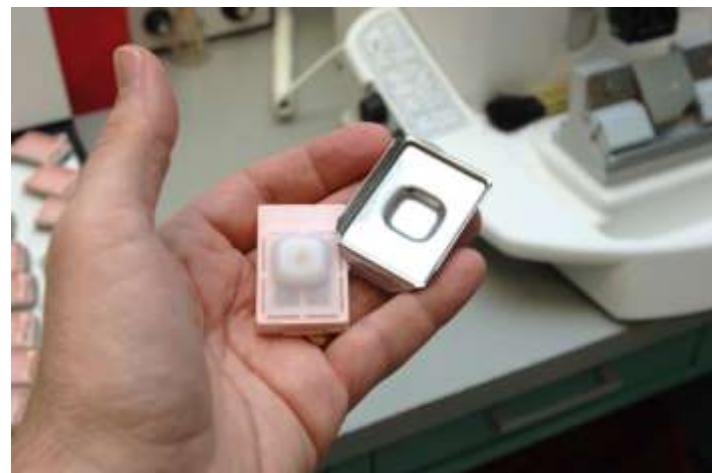
Rotary



Sliding (Sledge)



Paraffin Embedding

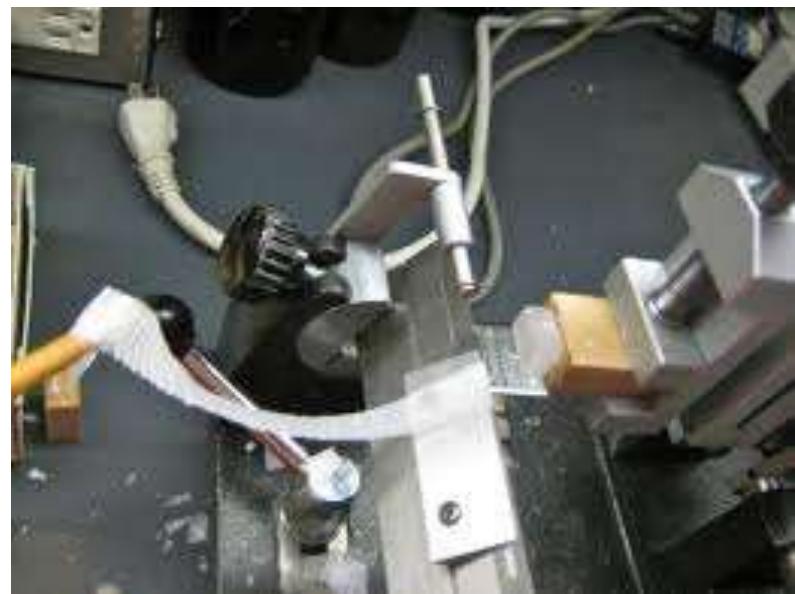


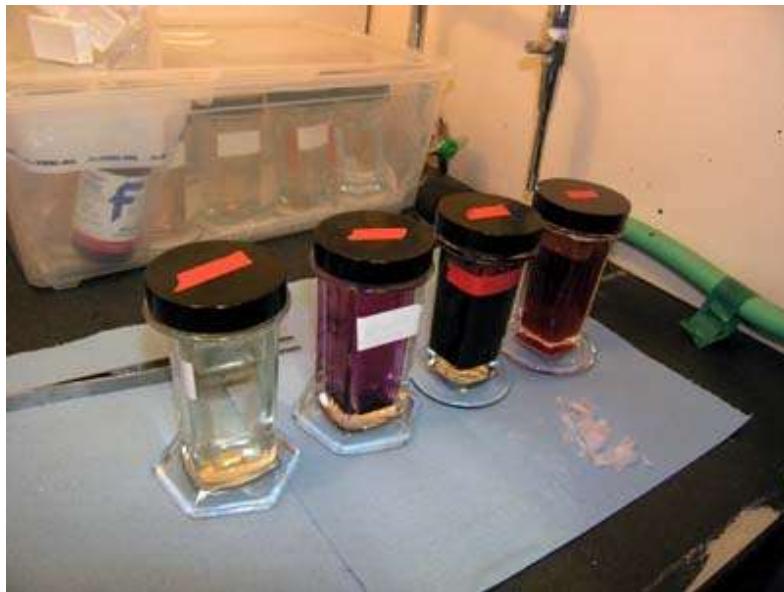
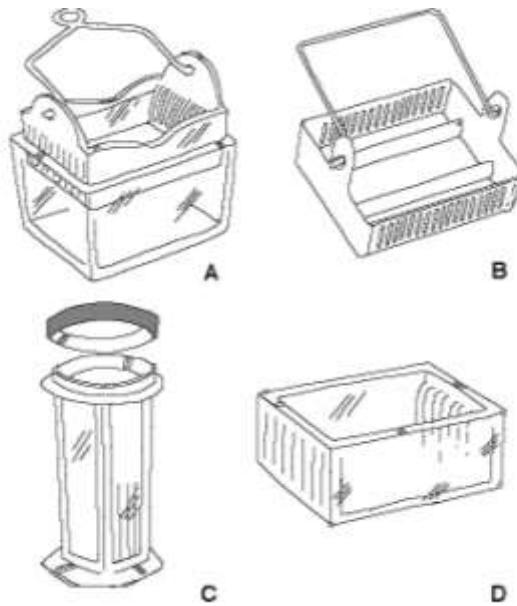
Paraffin Embedding

Section tissue in small pieces
Kill and Fix in FAA
Store in 70% EtOH
Dehydration in alcohol series
 t-butyl-alcohol (TBA)
Paraffin Infiltration
Embedding in block
Trim block
Microtome



Rotary Microtome





An example of a double stain procedure

1	Xylol 1	5min
2	Xylol 2	5 min
3	Xylol/abs. ETOH	3min
4	Abs. ETOH	3 min
5	95% ETOH	3 min
6	70% ETOH	2 min
7	Safranin O	MINIMUM 1 hour
8	70% ETOH	1 min
9	Crystal violet	1 min maximum
10	70% ETOH	rinse, 30 sec
11	90% ETOH rinse	rinse, 30 sec
12	95% ETOH + Picric acid	'Dip and drain'
13	95% Ammoniacal alcohol	'dip and drain'
14	100 % ETOH	2 minutes
15	100 % ETOH	2 minutes
16	Fast Green	30 sec to 1 min maximum
17	Clove oil	30 sec
18	Clove oil: Abs ETOH:Xylol (1:1:1)	'dip and drain'
19	Xylol 1	1 min
21	Xylol 2	2 min
22	Xylol 3	2 min
23	Mount in DPX/Canada Balsam	
24		Remove from here, but only as coverslips are applied!

