

Quantitative Texture Analysis of shells, Palm Canyon mylonites, natural ice, metamorphic amphibolites and SCT-microquartz

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Outline

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- Natural ice from the Greenland GRIP core
- Metamorphic Amphibolites from Alps
- Siliceous Crust-Type microquartz

Textures of Mollusc Shells

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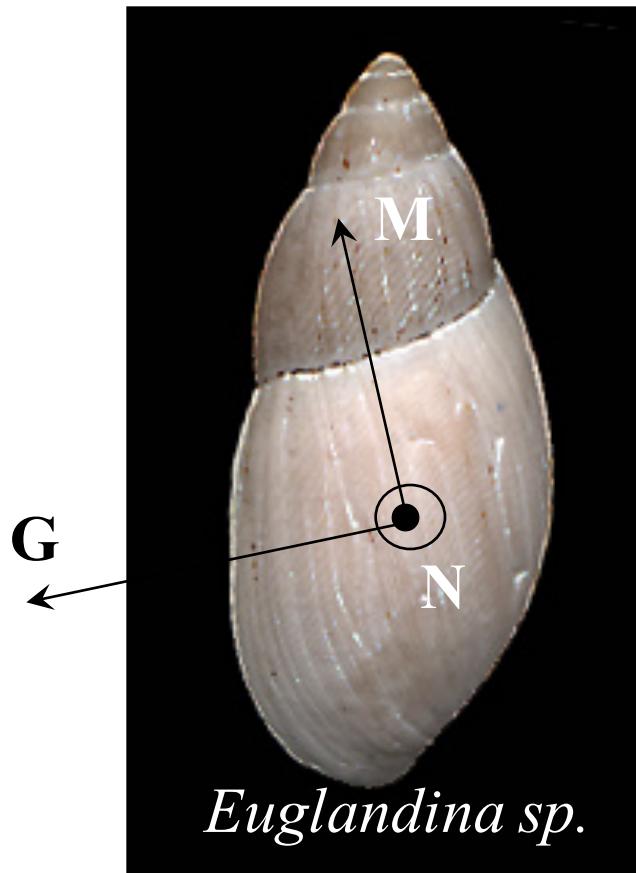
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L. Harper (*DES Cambridge, UK*)

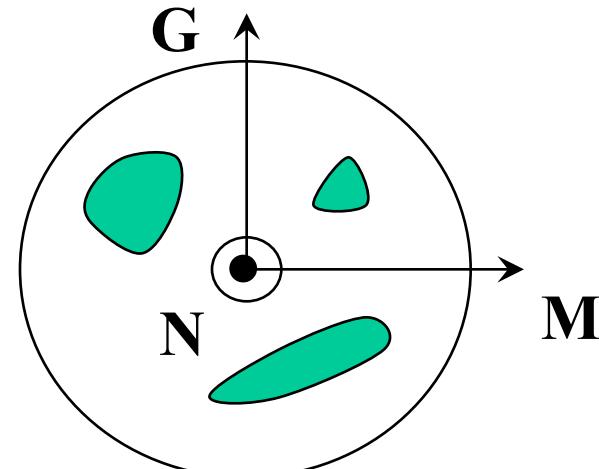
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Generalities

Reference frame in mollusc shells

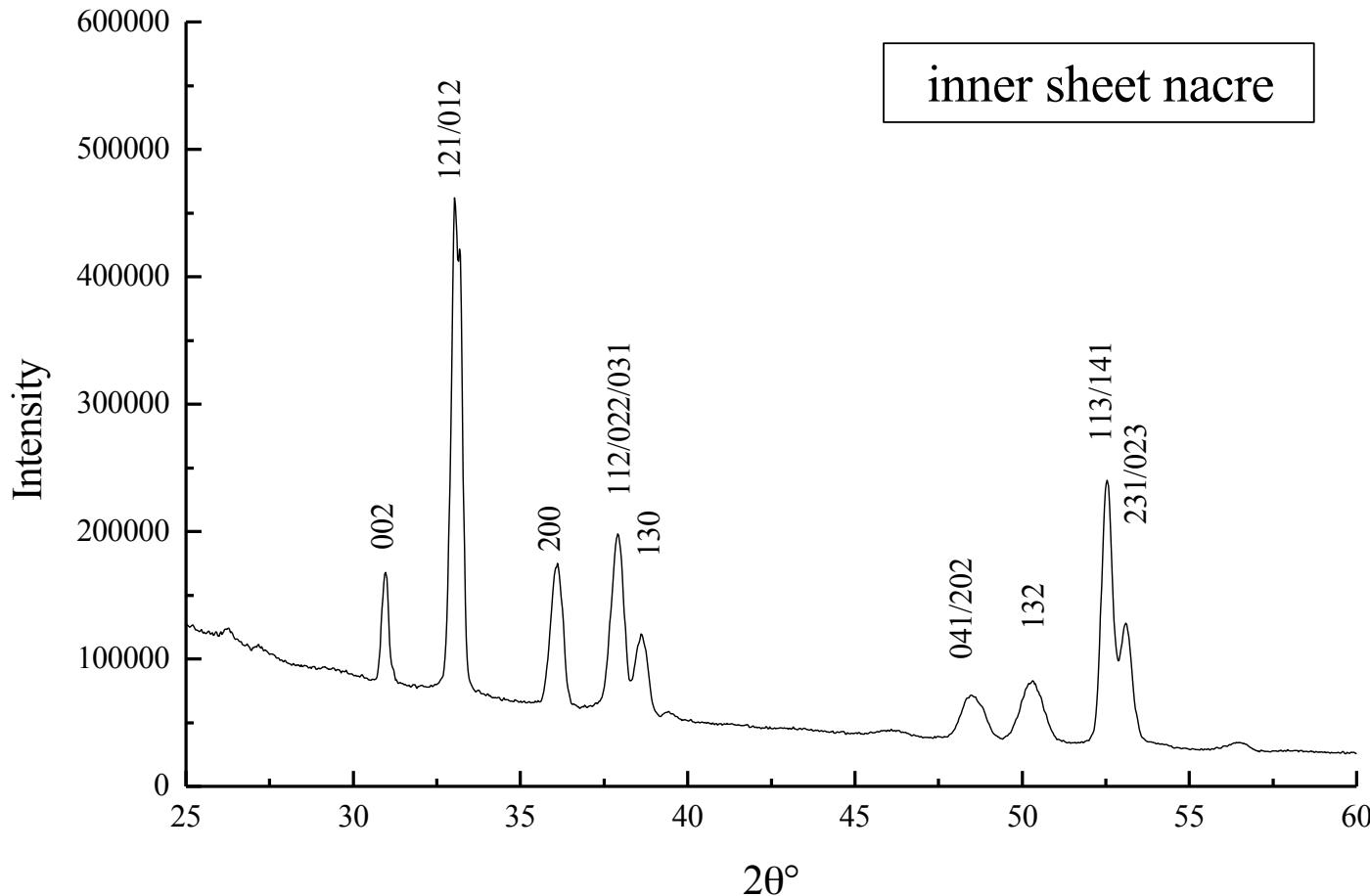


- Crystal: CaCO_3 , aragonite (Pmcn) or calcite ($R\bar{3}c$), **for thousands of crystallites:**

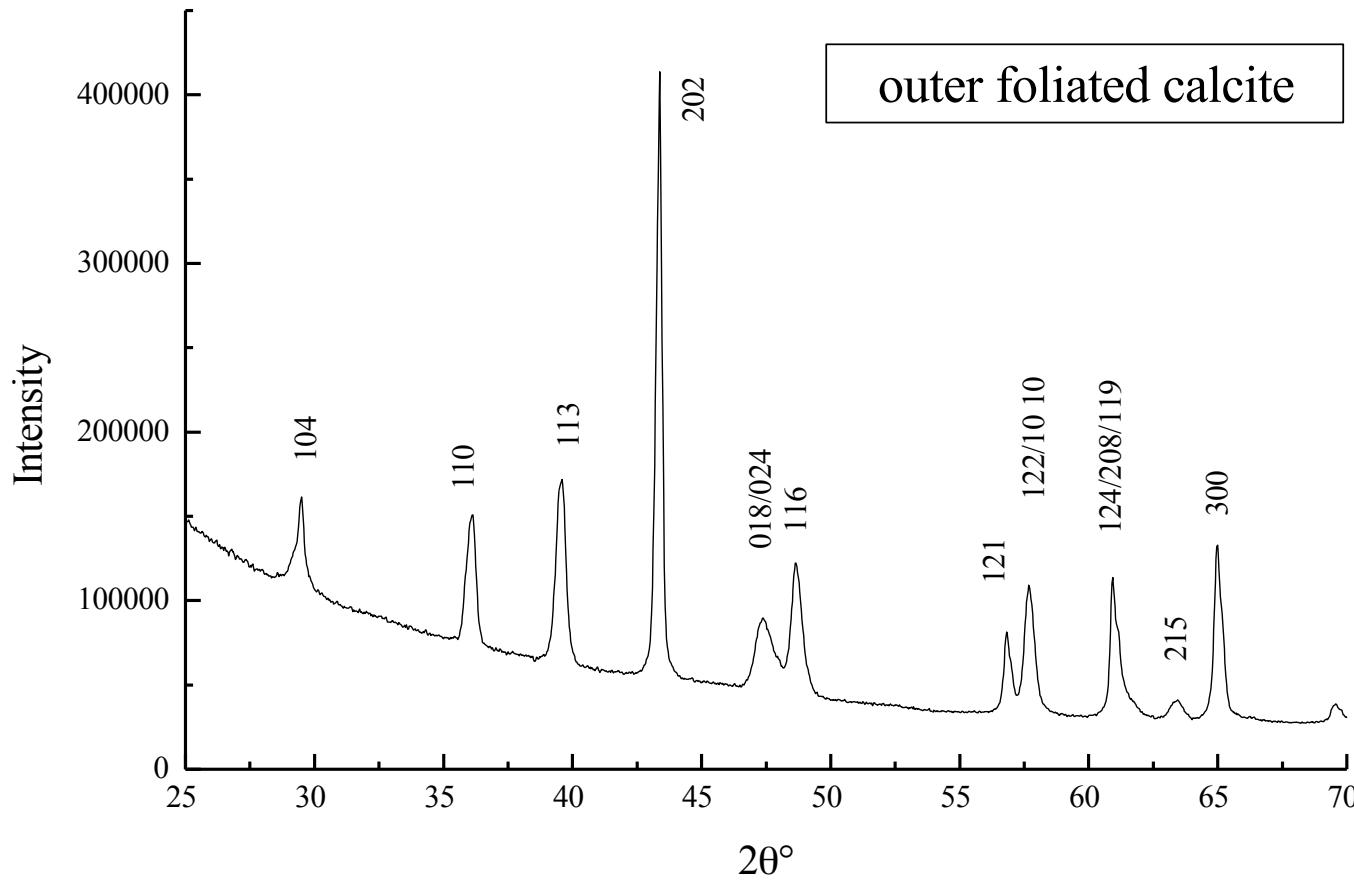


Typical x-ray diffraction pattern

Mytilus edulis (common mussel)

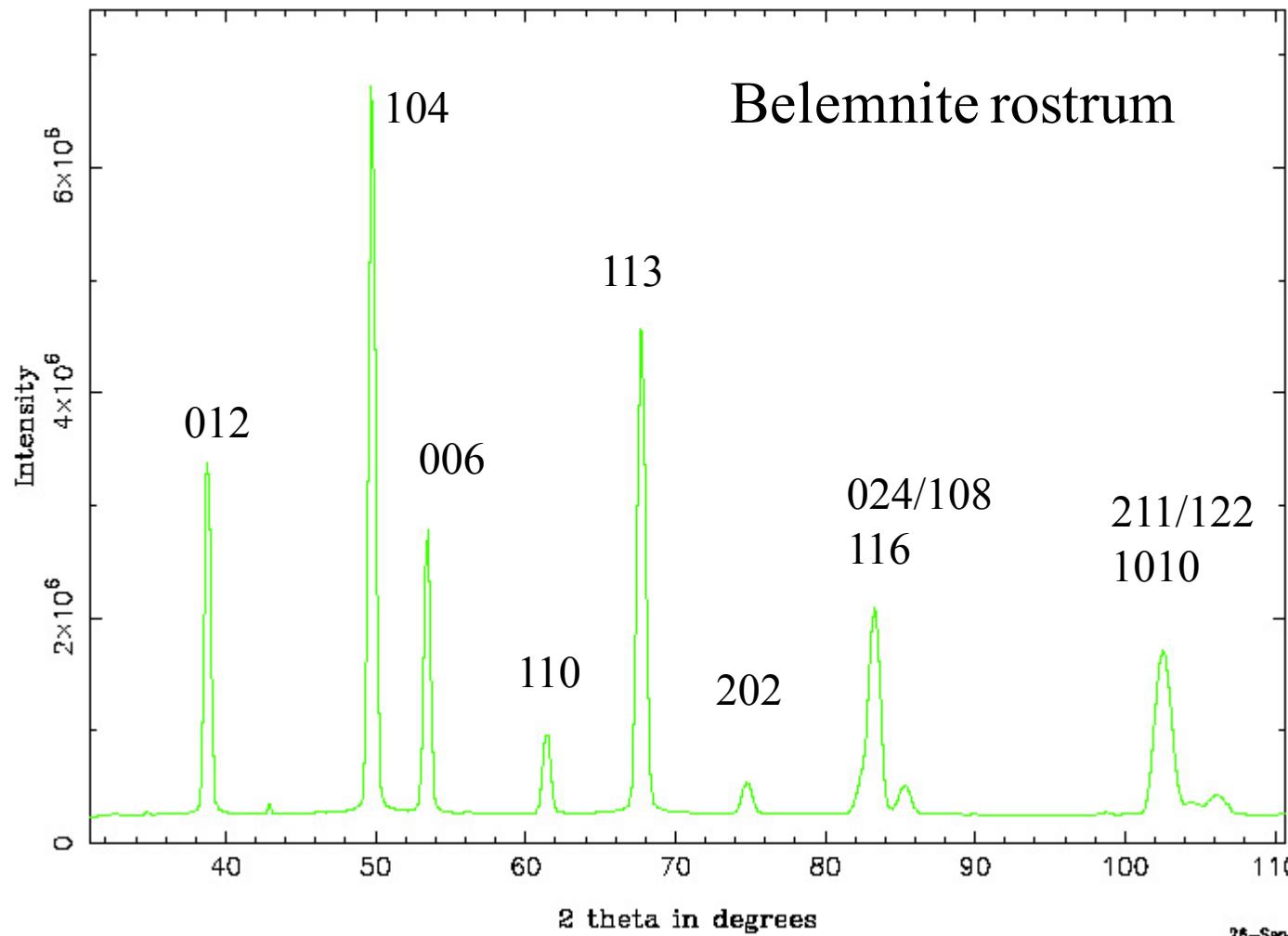


Crassostrea gigas (common oyster)

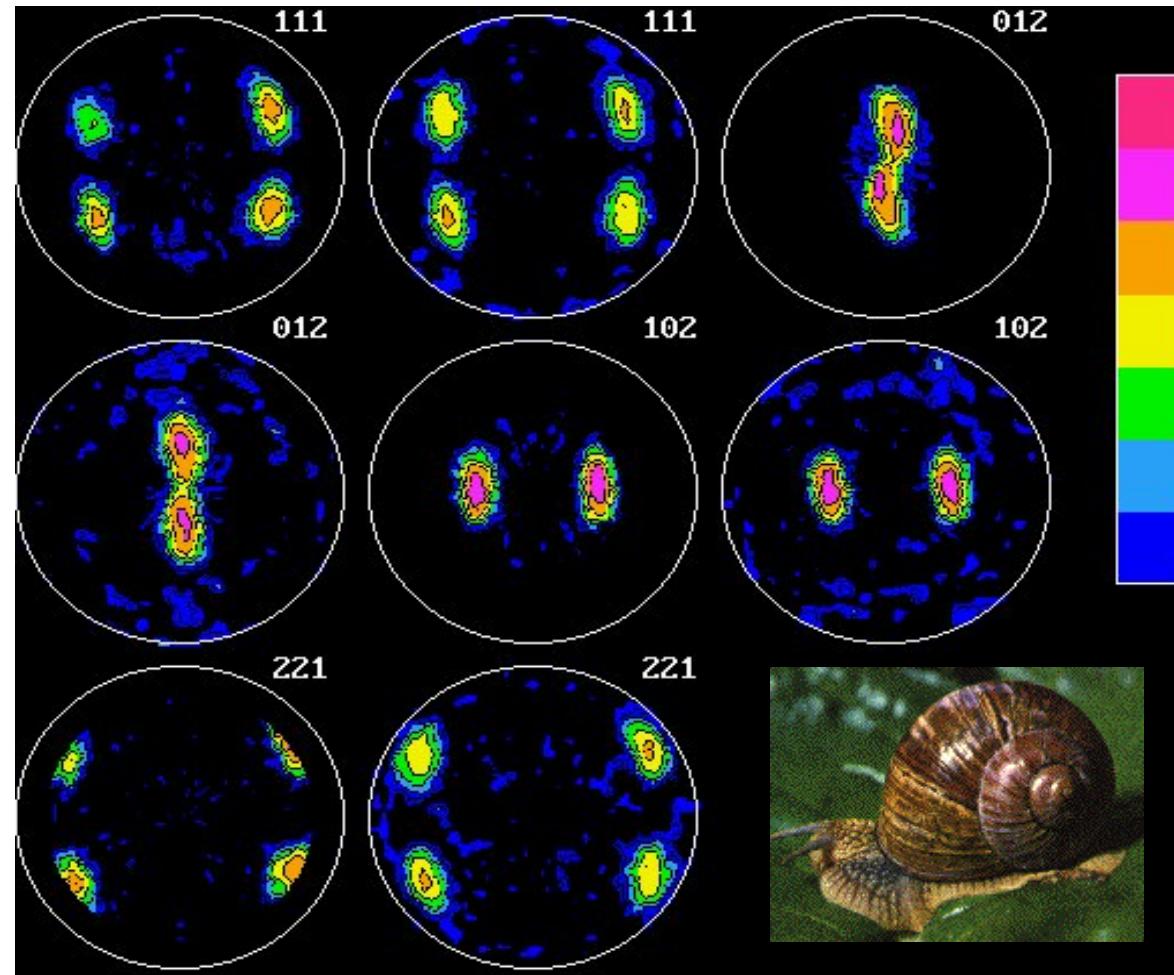


Measured for around 1000 sample orientations, using x-rays, neutrons
With electrons, around 3000 crystallites probed, provided flat surface

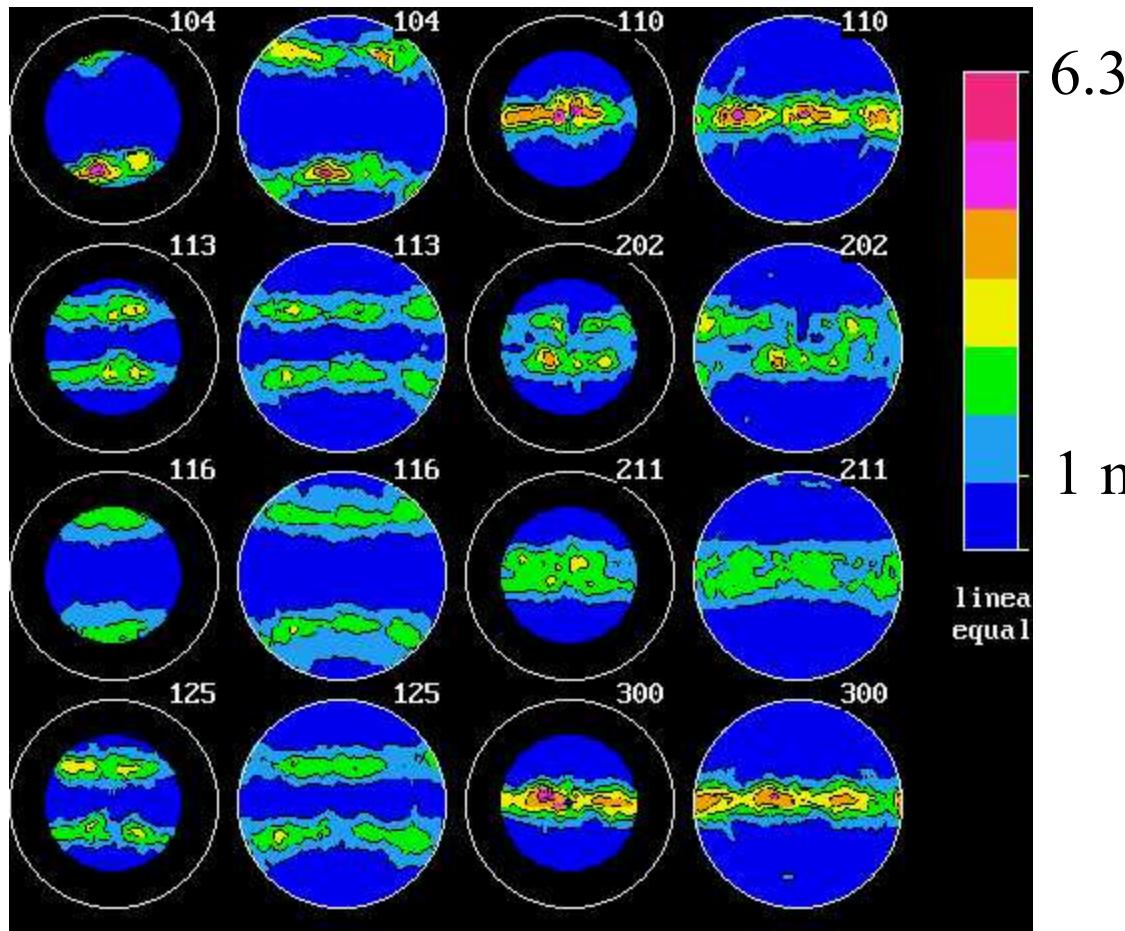
Typical neutron diffraction pattern



ODF-reliability (x-rays: point detector): *Helix pomatia*
(Burgundy land snail: Outer com. crossed lamellar)



OD-reliability (x-rays: PSD): *Bathymodiolus thermophilus* (deep ocean mussel: Outer Prismatic layer)



$$\begin{aligned} RP_{0.05} &= 25\% \\ RP_1 &= 17\% \end{aligned}$$

1 m.r.d.

$$S = -1.9$$

$$F^2 = 13 \text{ m.r.d.}^2$$

$$OD_{\max} = 63 \text{ m.r.d.}$$

a- and c-axes patterns of aragonitic layers, twinning

c-axes texture patterns

Pinctada
maxima

ISN

“gold pearl
oyster”

Nerita
polita

ICCL

“polished
nerite”

Fragum
fragum

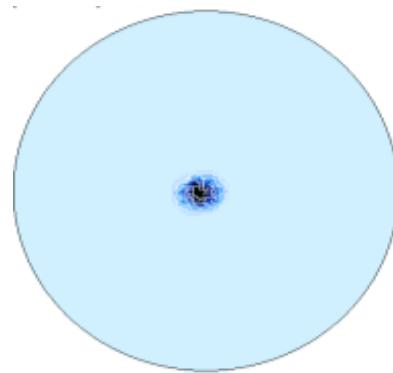
ICCL

“cockle”

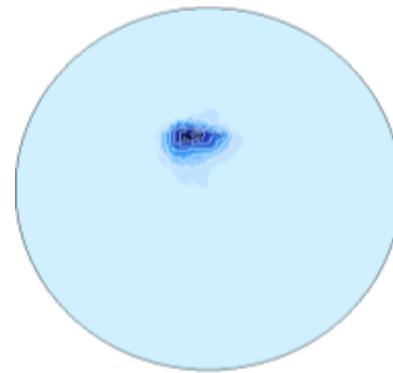
Cypraea
testudinaria

ICCL

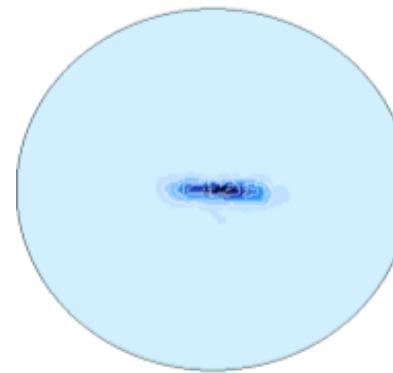
“turtle
cowry”



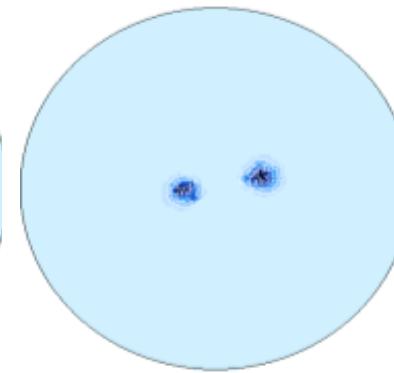
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a-axes texture patterns

Helix
pomatia
OCCL

“burgundy
land snail”

Tectus
niloticus
ICN

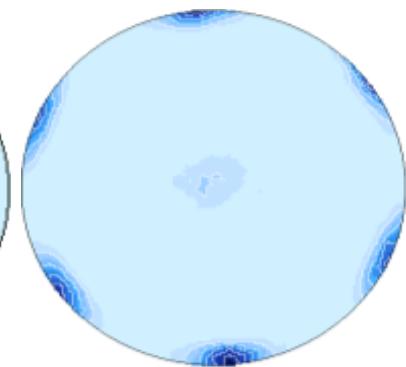
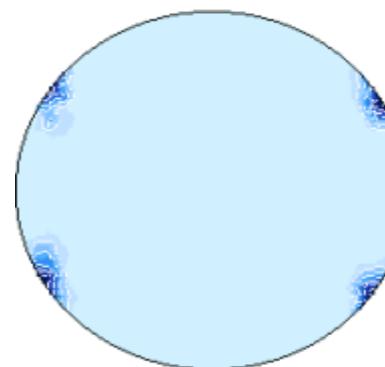
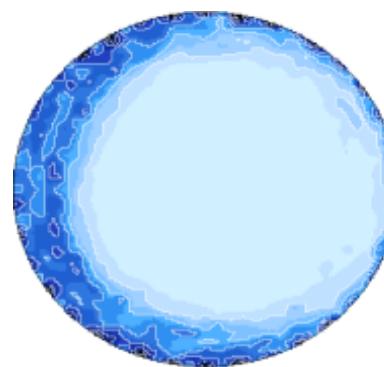
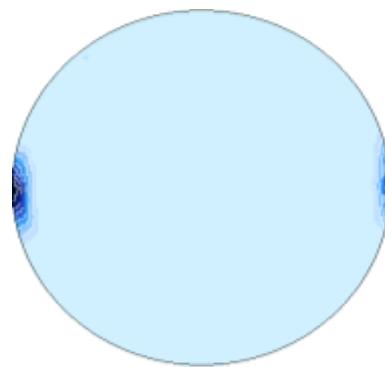
“commercial
top shell”

Conus
leopardus
ICCL

“leopard
cone”

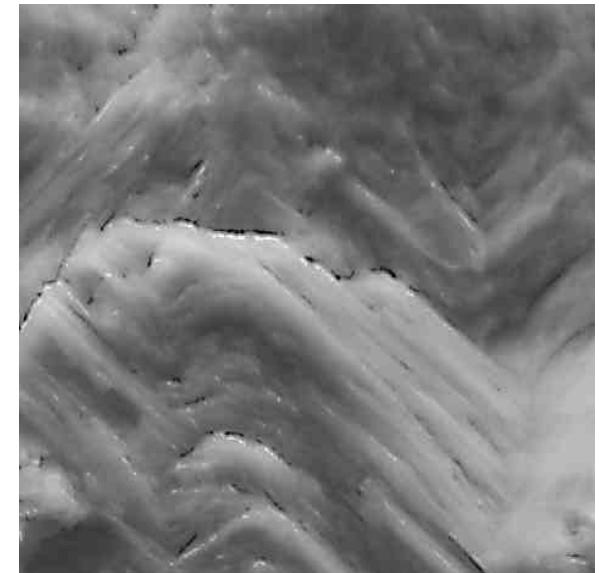
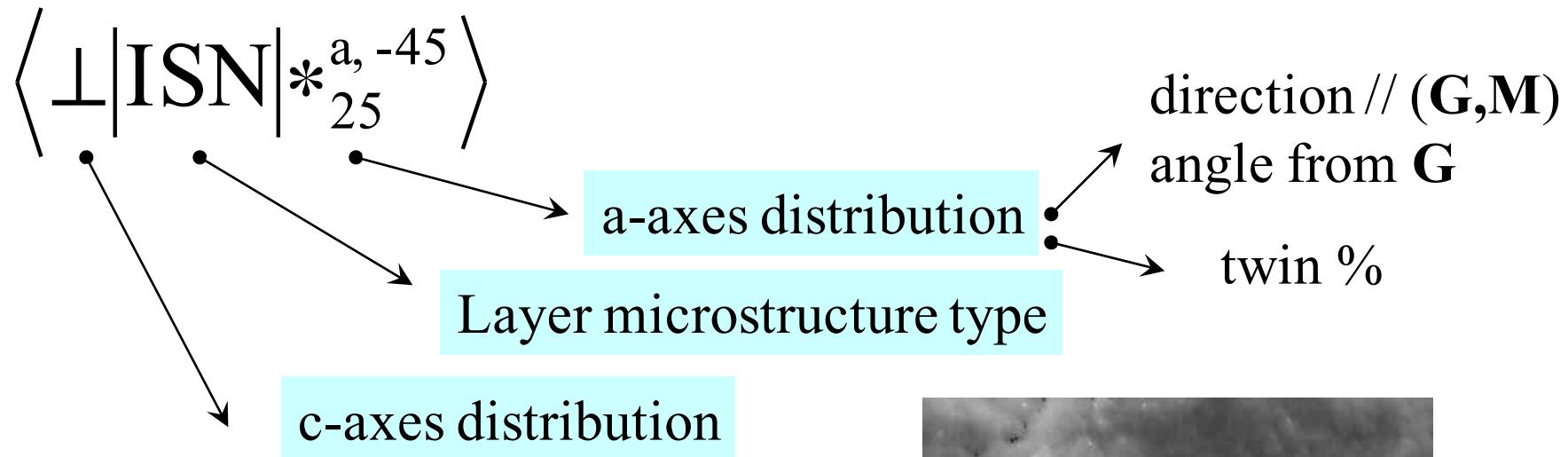
Nautilus
pompilius
ICN

“new caledonia
nautilus”



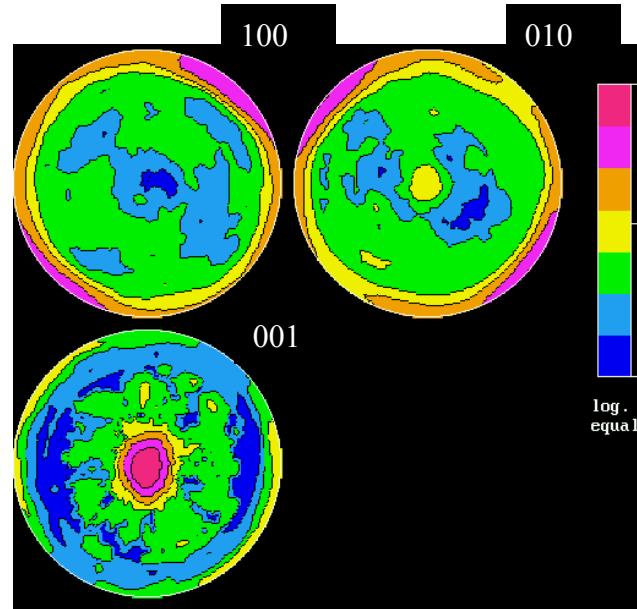
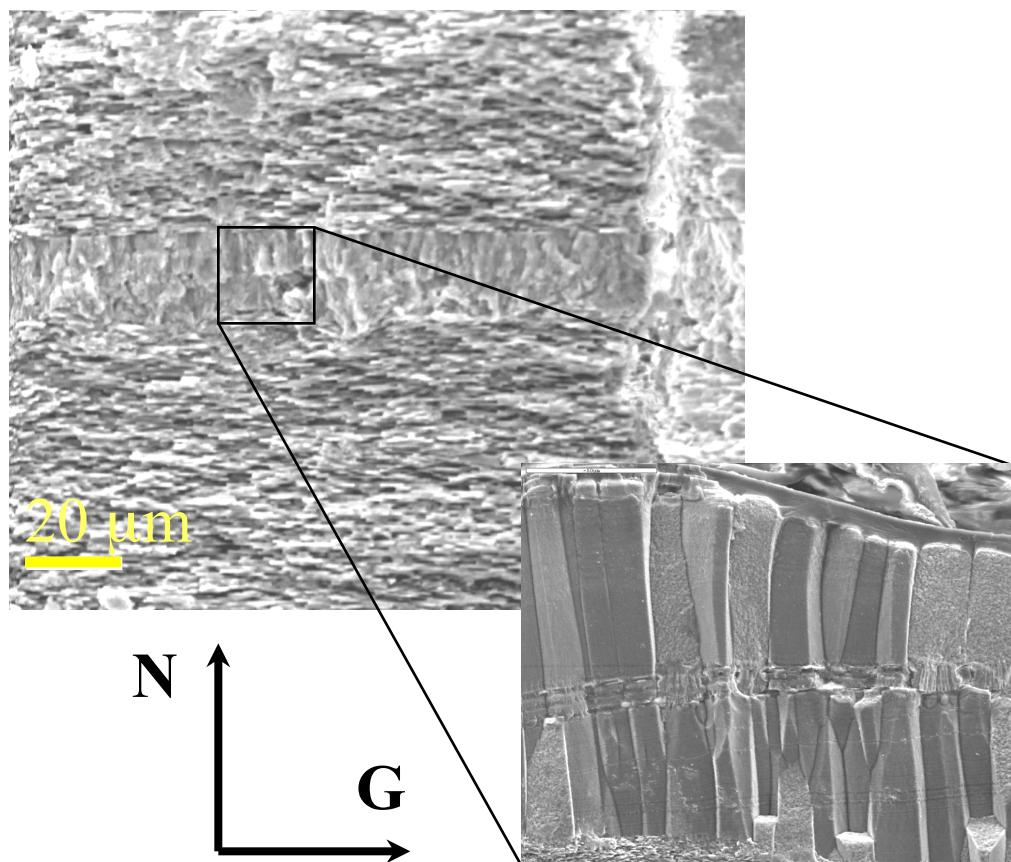
*Chateigner, Hedegaard, Wenk, J. Struct.
Geol. 22 (2000) 1723-1735*

Proposal for a nomenclature for texture and microstructure types



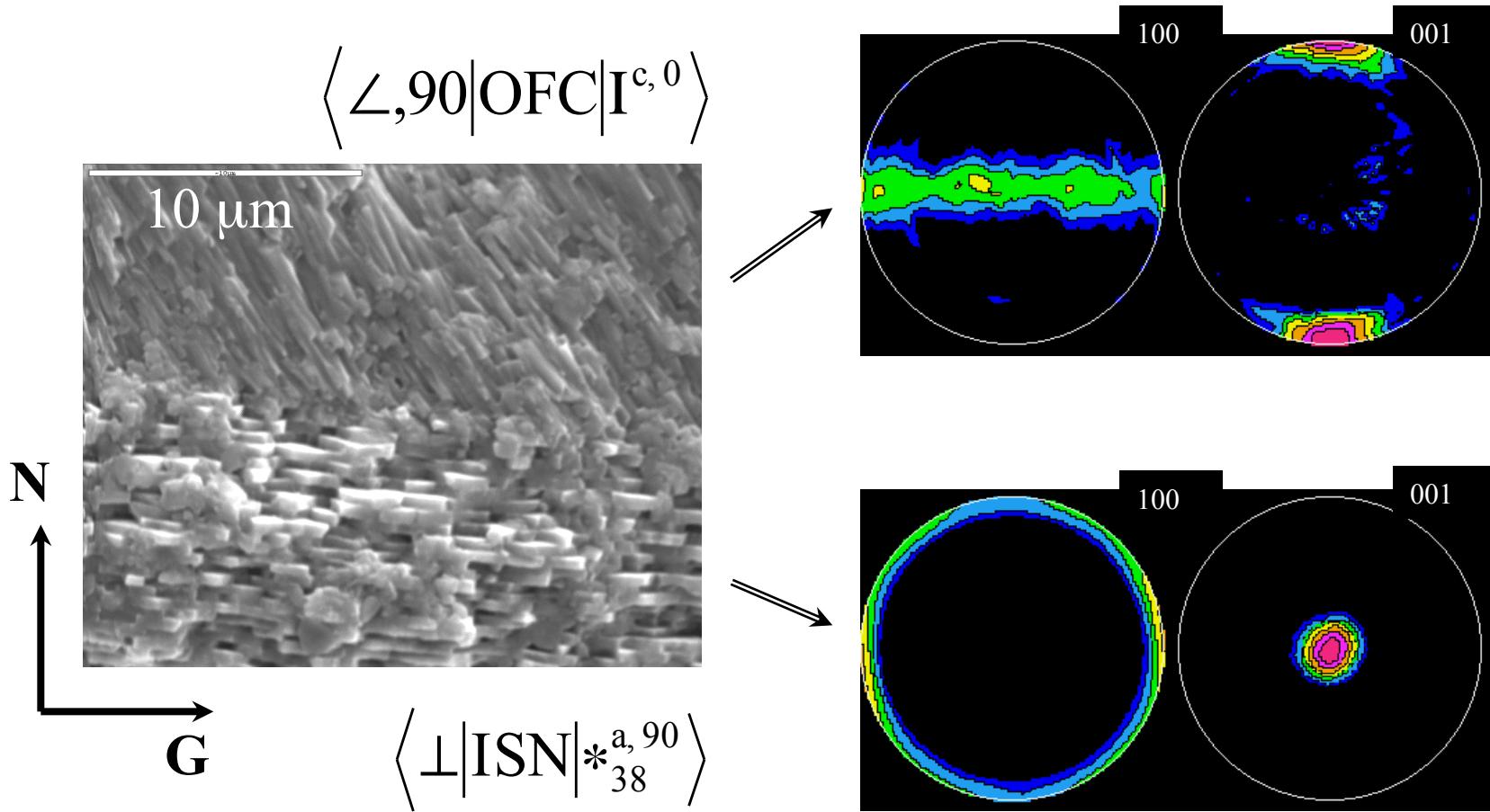
Microstructure versus Texture

Inner sheet nacre of *Anodonta cygnea* (river mussel):
no intra-mineral epitaxy

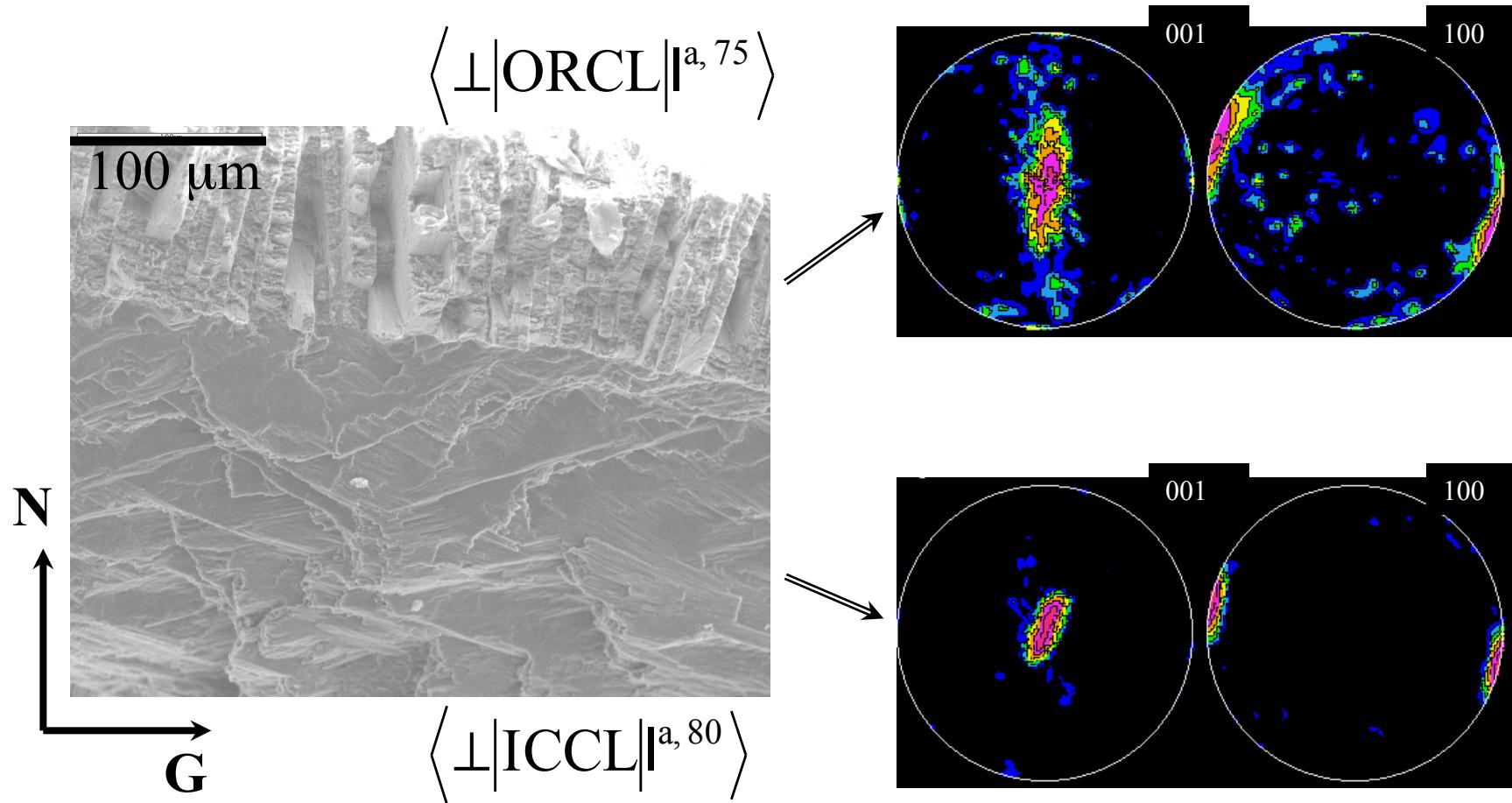


$$\left\langle \perp |ISN| *_{25}^{a,-45} \right\rangle$$

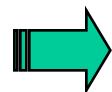
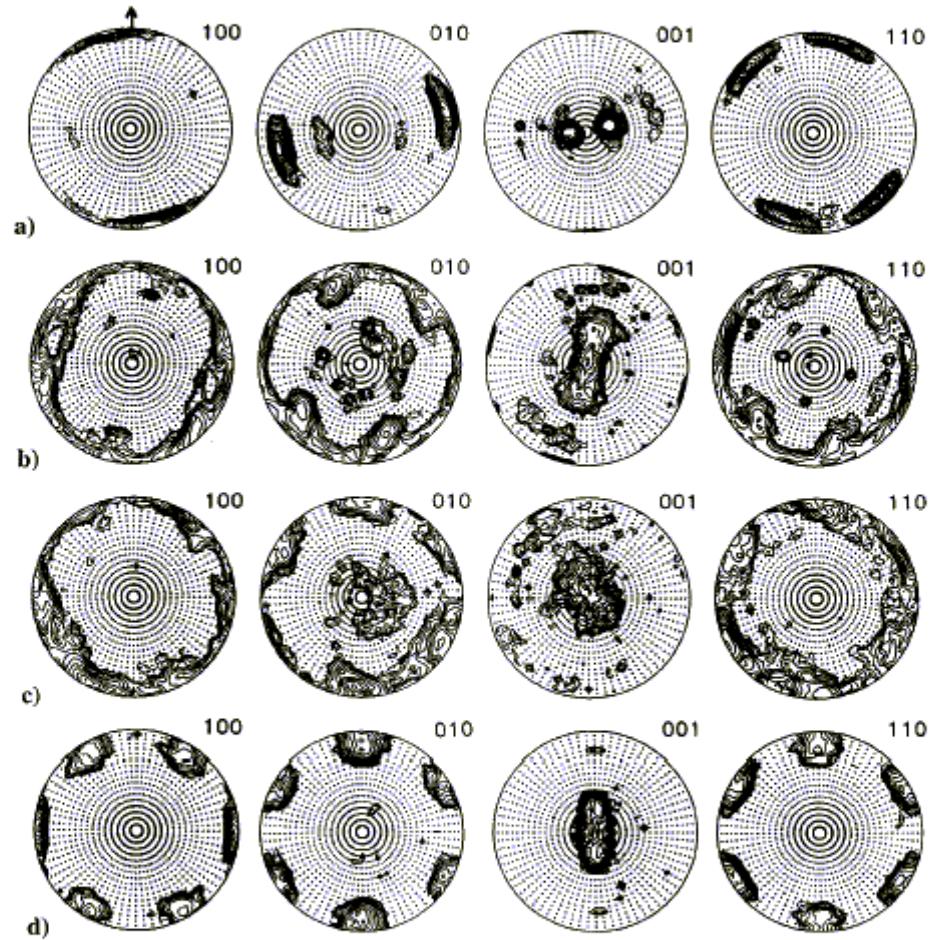
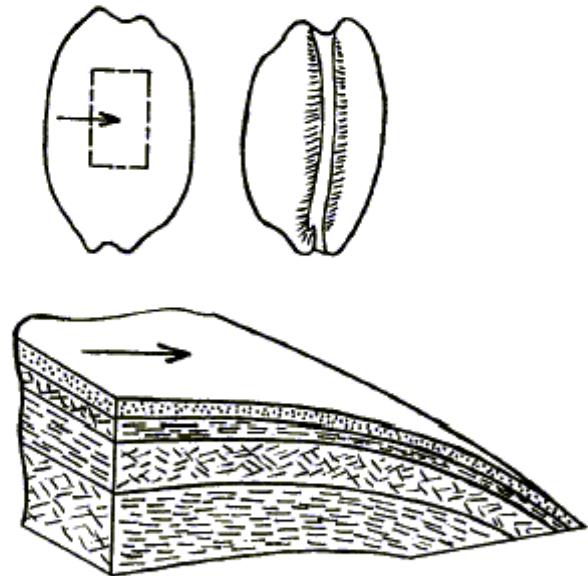
Bathymodiolus thermophilus (-2400m deep mussel):
no inter-mineral epitaxy



Euglandina sp.: different crystallite shapes, close orientations !

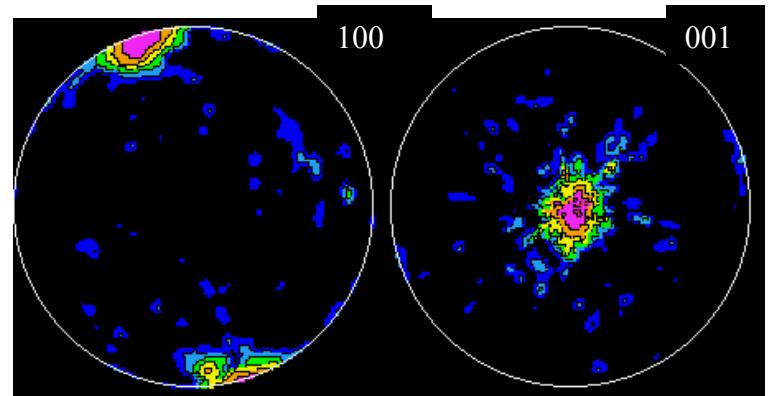
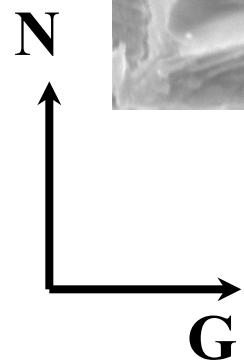
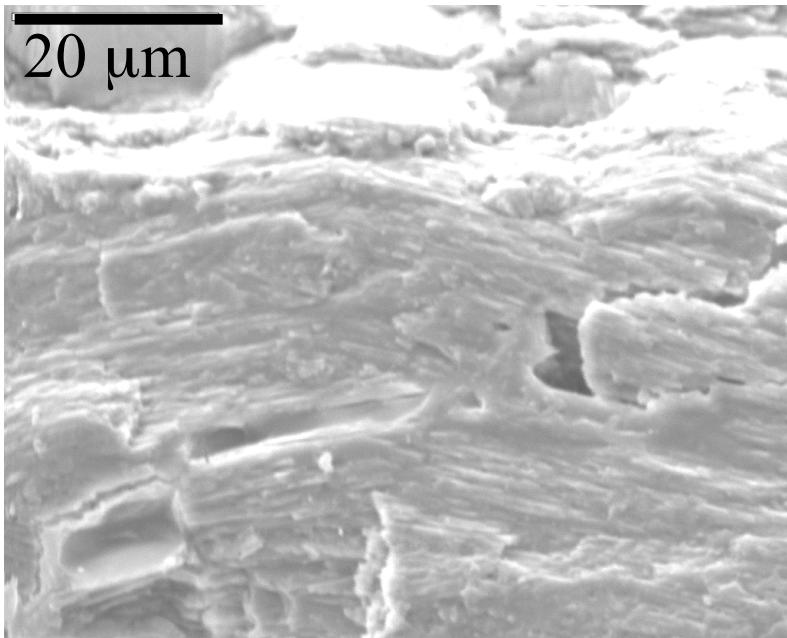


From ISN to OCCL layers of *Cypraea testudinaria* (cowry):
no inter-layer epitaxy

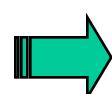


Organically driven growth

Cyclophorus woodianus: different SEM grain orientations look like single crystal from diffraction !

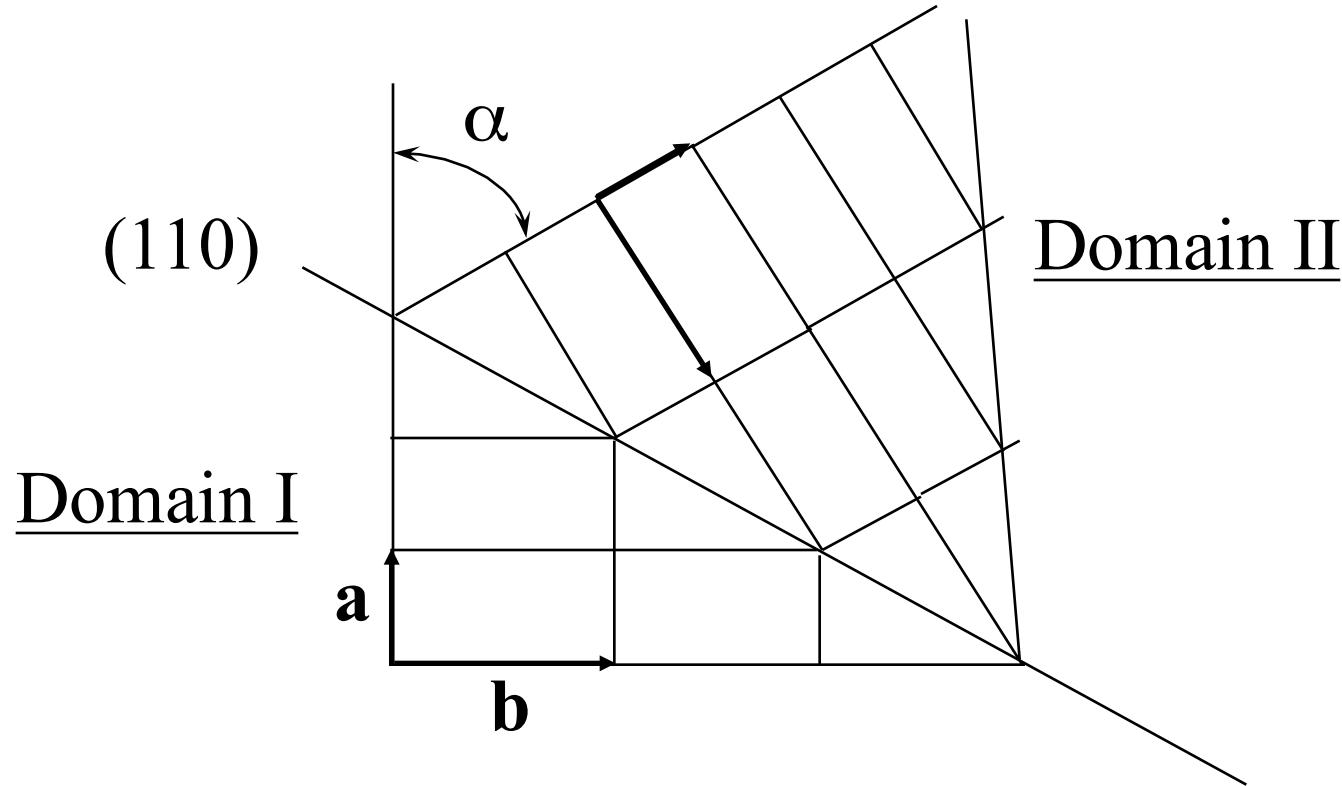


$$\langle \perp | \text{IRCL} | I^{a, 20} \rangle$$



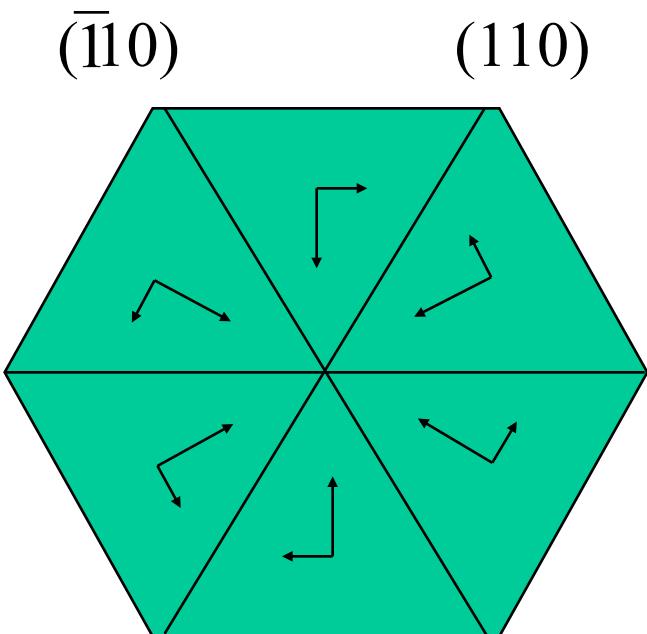
Texture parameters may deserve phylogenetic analysis

Twinning in aragonite ...

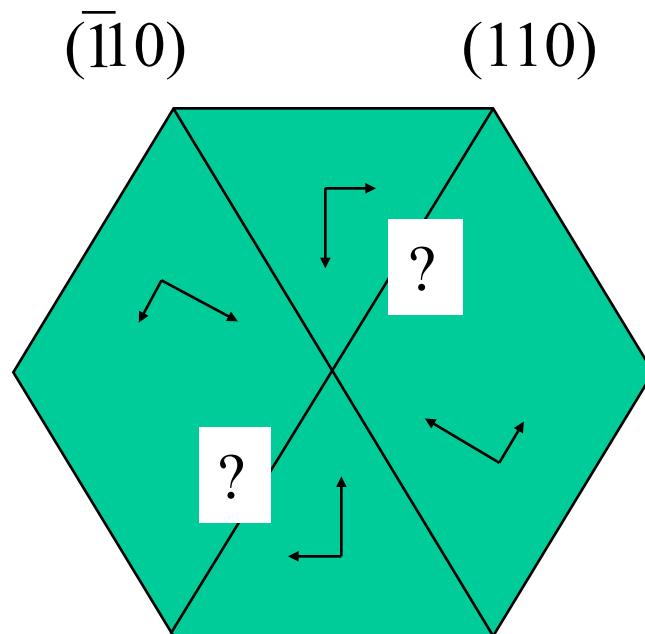


$$\alpha = 2 \arctan(a/b) = 63.8^\circ$$

... forms nacre platelets ...

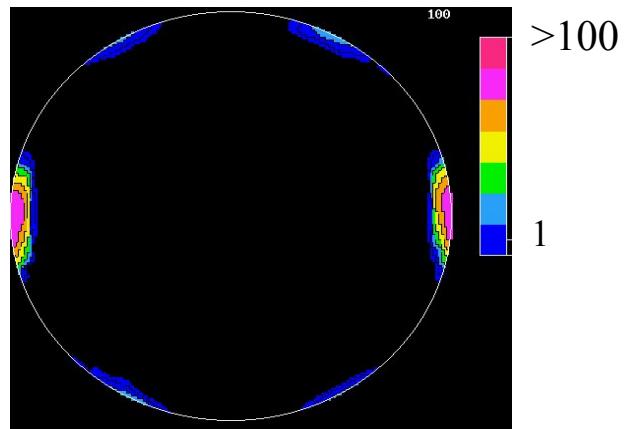
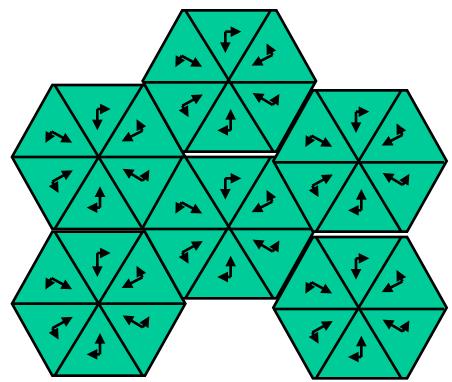


Bragg, 1937

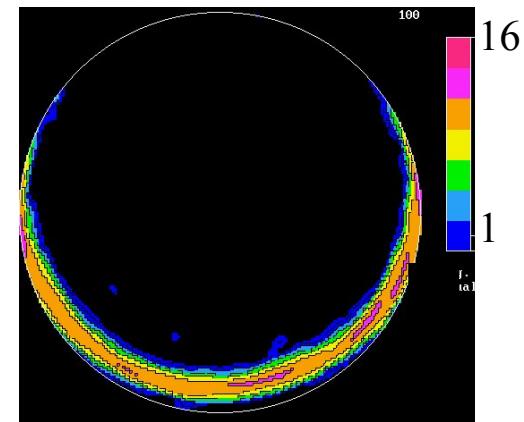
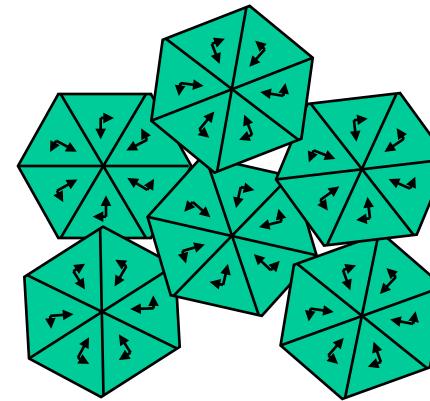


Mutvei, 1980

... that rearrange ...



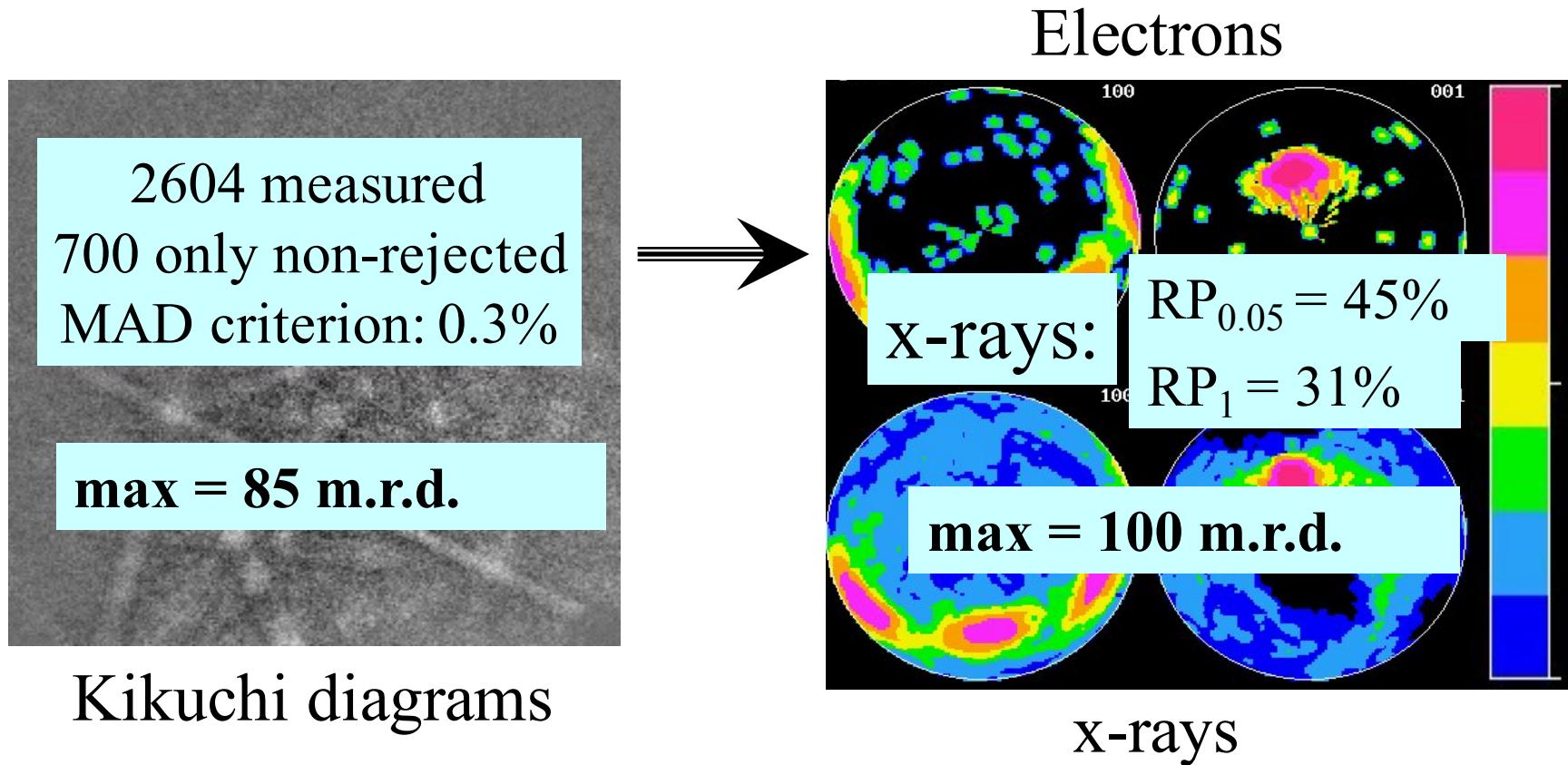
Pinctada margaritifera
(black pearl oyster: ISN)



Haliotis cracherodi
(black abalone: ISN)

Global versus Local probes

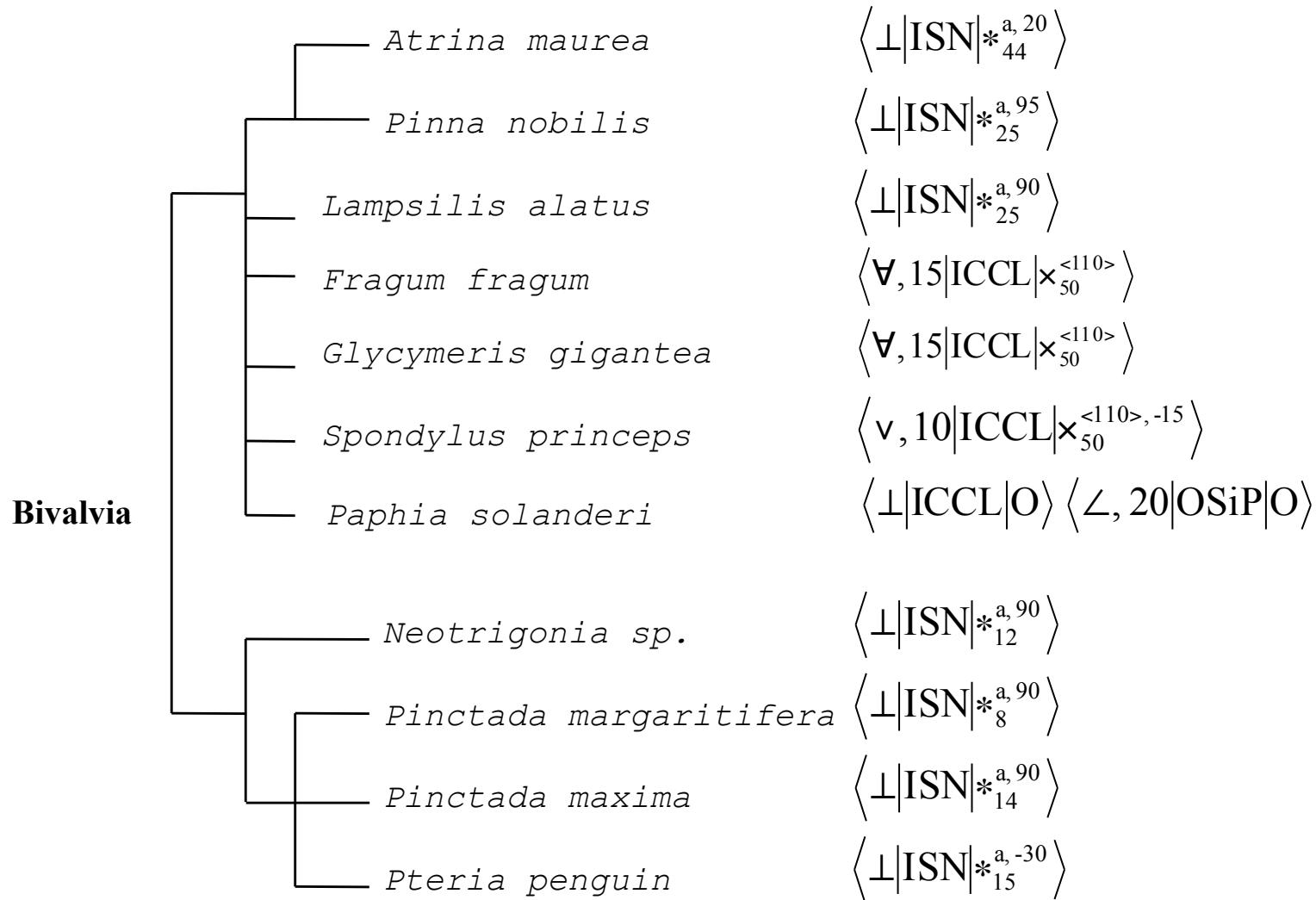
Crassostrea gigas (common oyster: Inner foliated calcite)

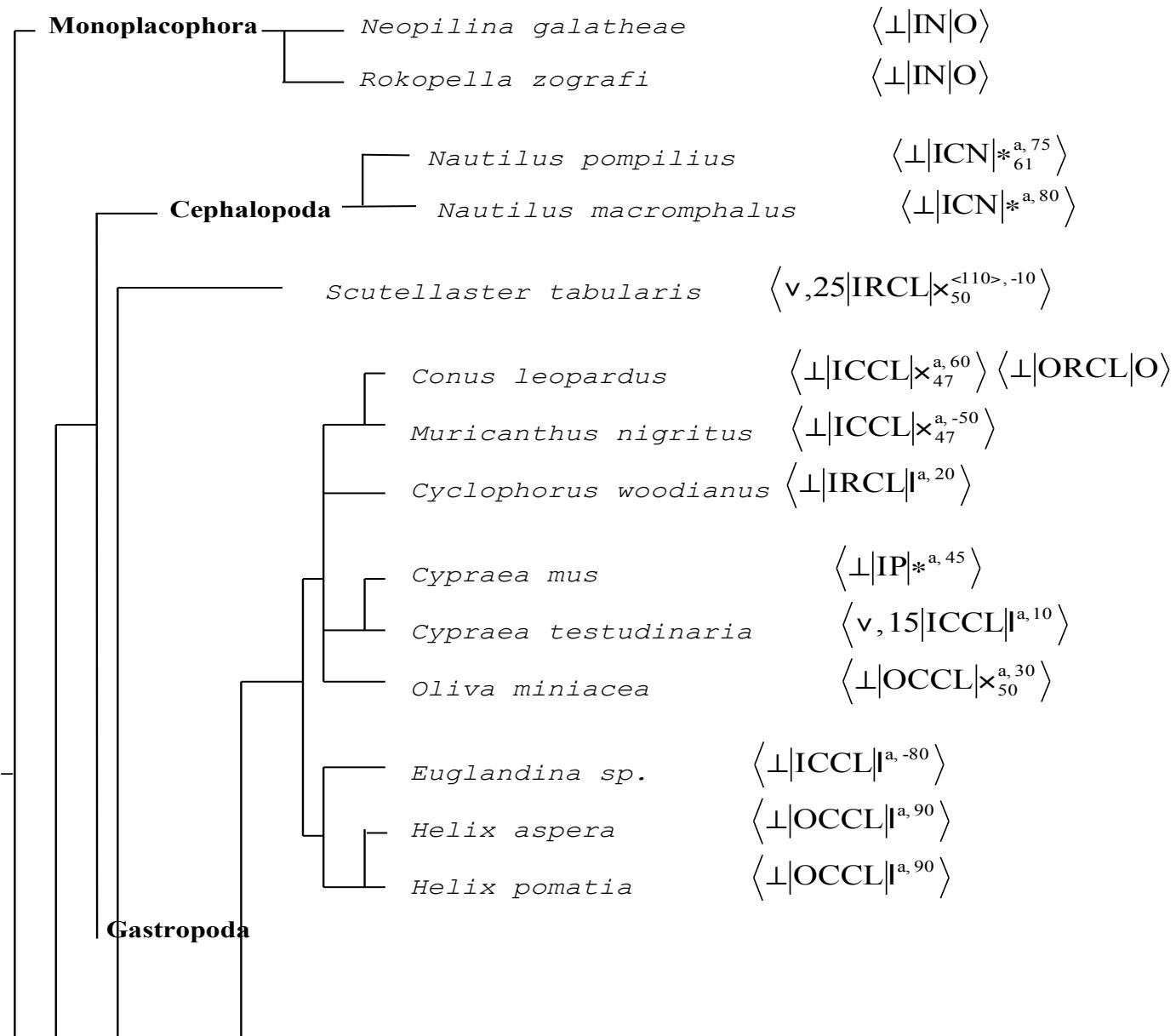


QTA and Mollusc's Phylogeny

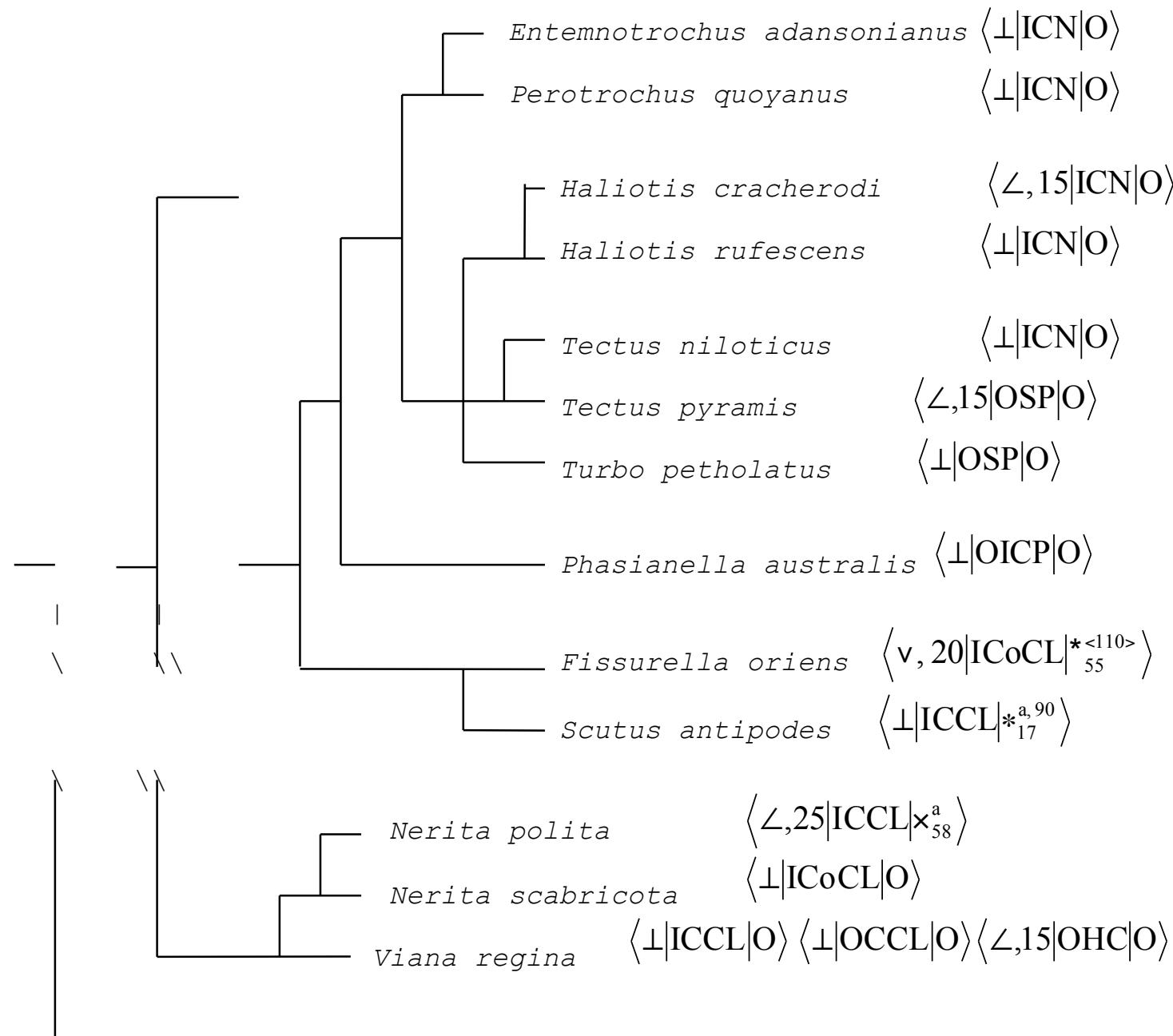
From 70 mollusc species (gastropods, bivalves and cephalopods), around 150 layers studied

Closely related species, close textural characters, but significant variations: **textural parameters can serve character analysis**

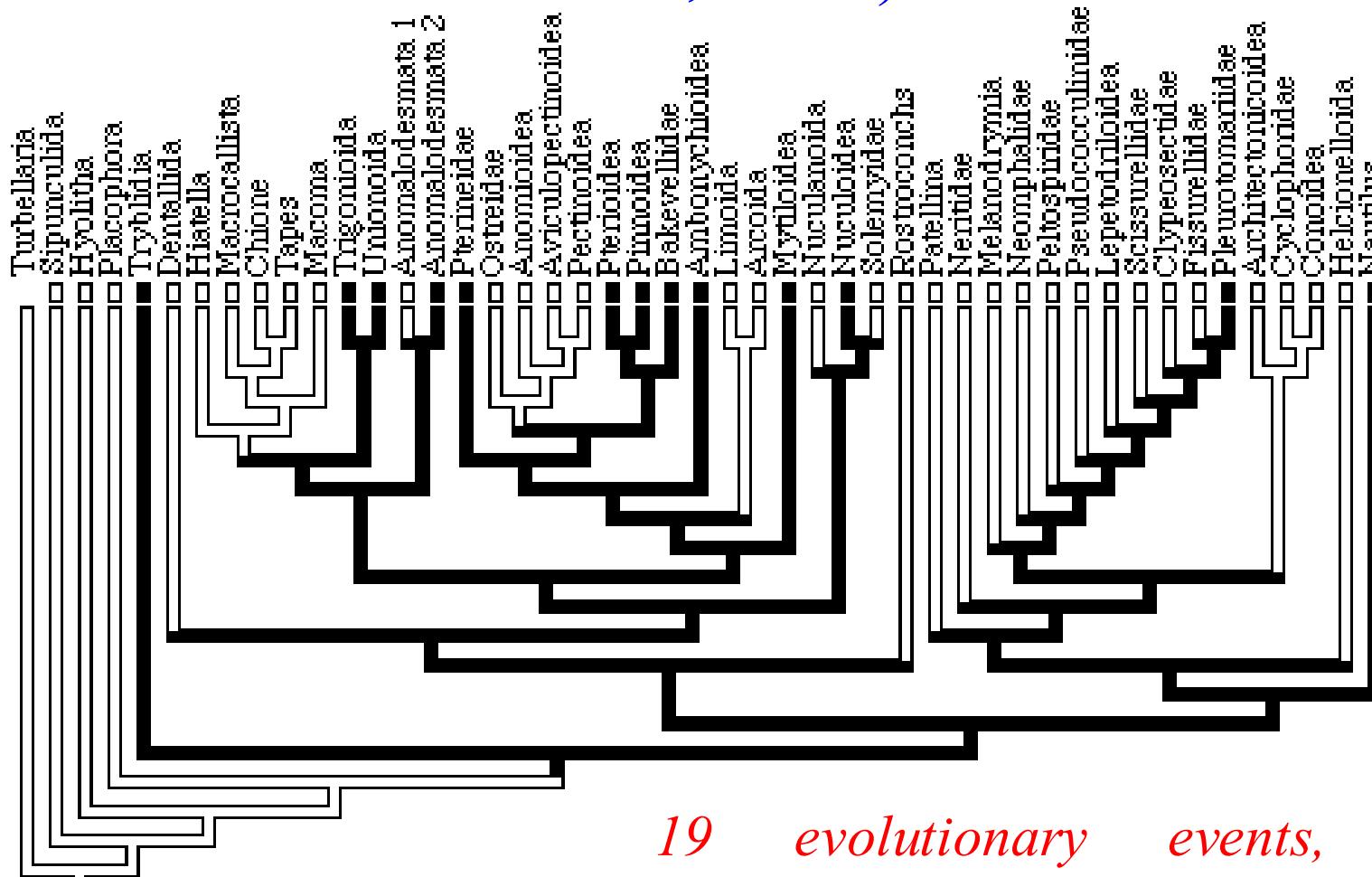




Gastropoda

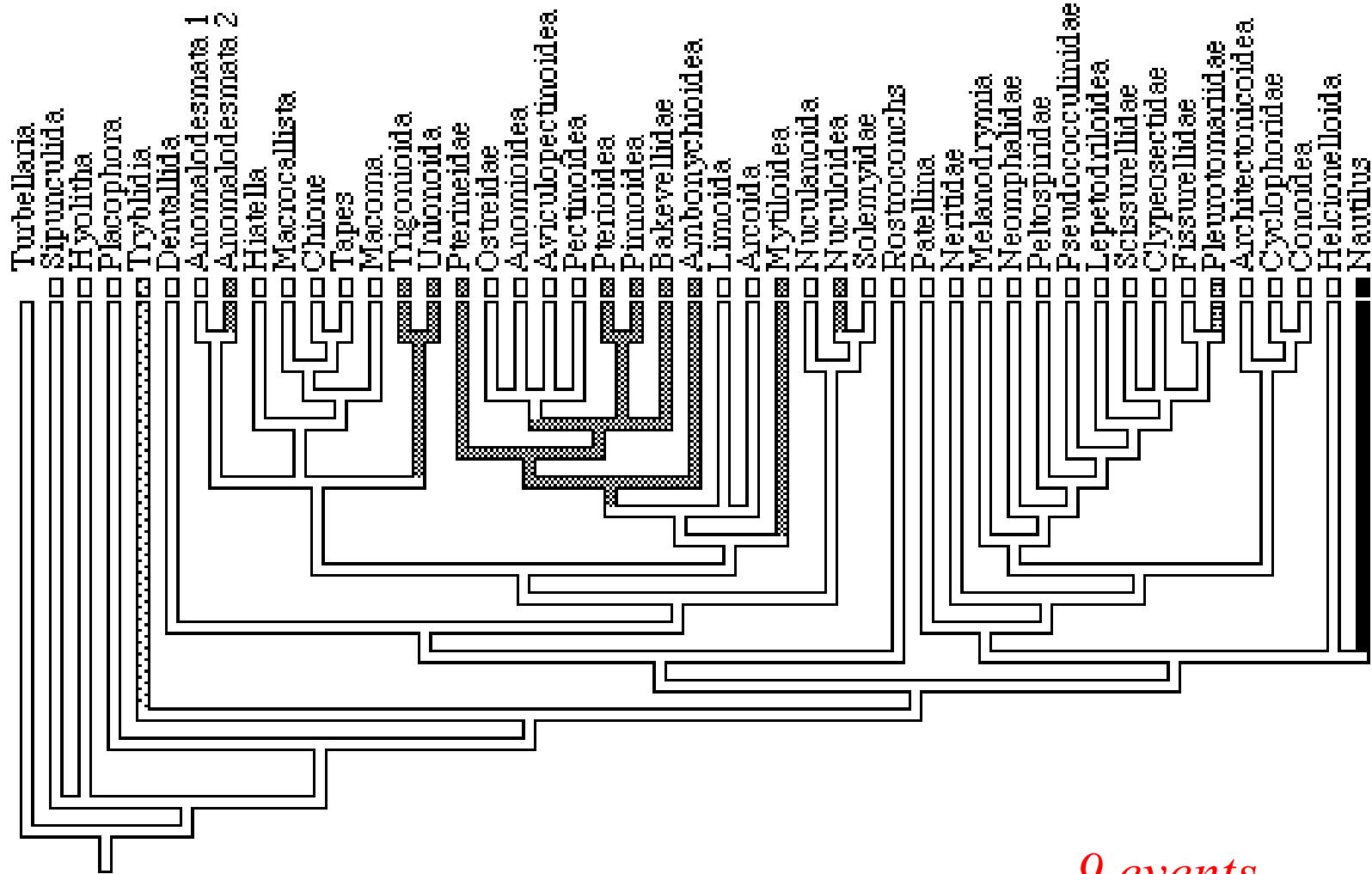


Phylogenetic interest: nacre = ancestral (Carter & Clarck, 1985)



19 evolutionary events, from
cladistics character analysis

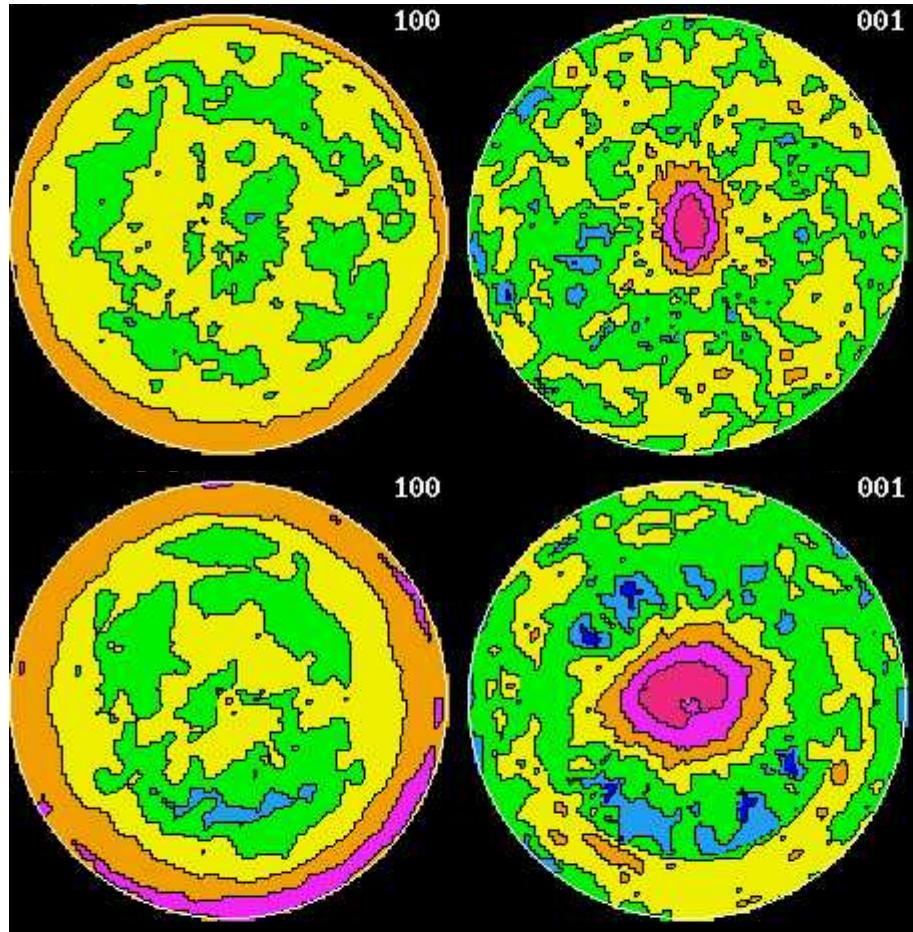
nacre not ancestral



Calcitic fossils: trichites

- Fragments of the large bivalve *Trichites* relatively abundant in shallow marine sediments from the Middle to Upper Jurassic of Europe, Asia and Africa
- Entire individuals are rare and the palaeobiology of the genus is poorly understood because of this
- Studied specimens are thick, some fragments up to 3 cm in thickness, composed of a coarse simple prismatic calcite
- Taxonomic position of Trichites remains problematic: pinnoids ?

Pinnoid and Pterioid prismatic layers

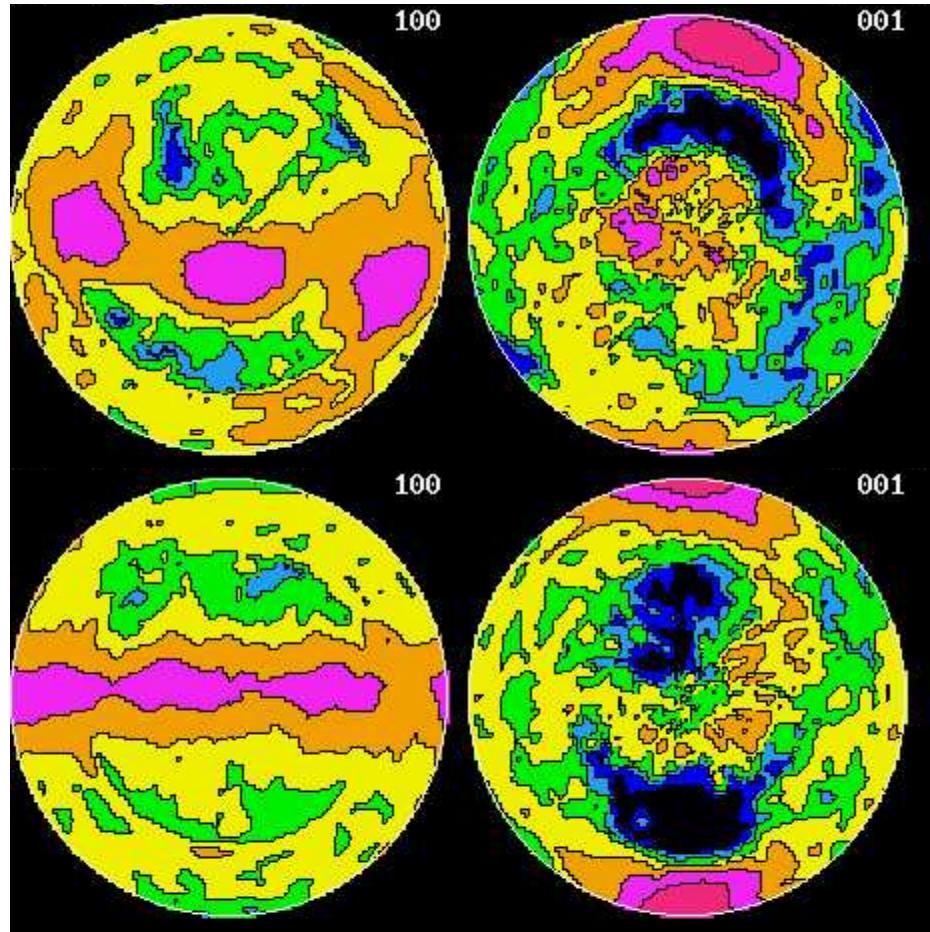


Pinna nobilis

c-axes // N
a-axes at random

Pteria penguin

Mussels prismatic layers



Mytilus edulis

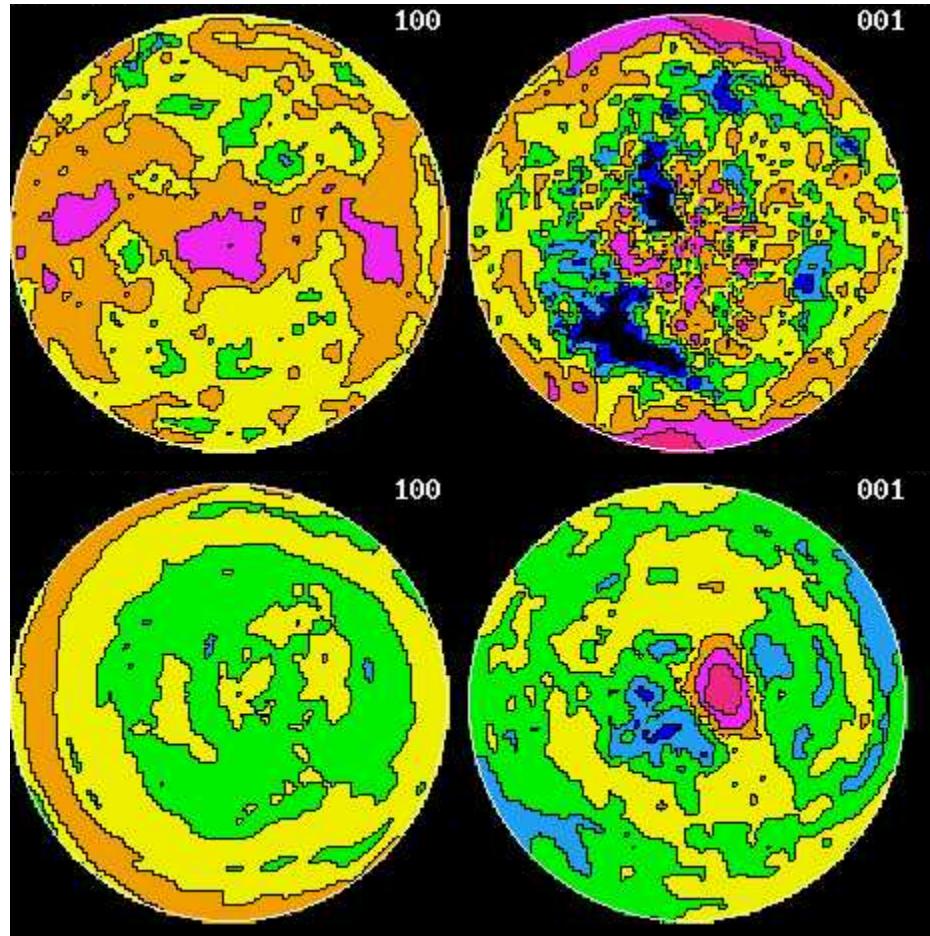
c-axes \angle N

a-axes single-crystal like

c-axes \perp N, // G

*Bathymodiolus
thermophilus*

Scallop and trichite prismatic layers



Amussium parpiraceum
(scallop)
c-axes $\perp N$, // G
a-axes single-crystal like

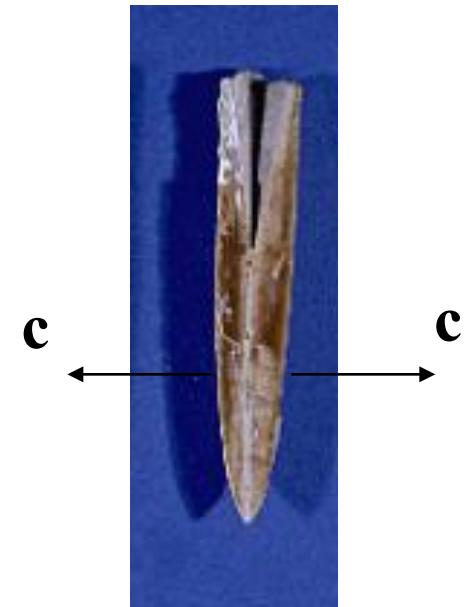
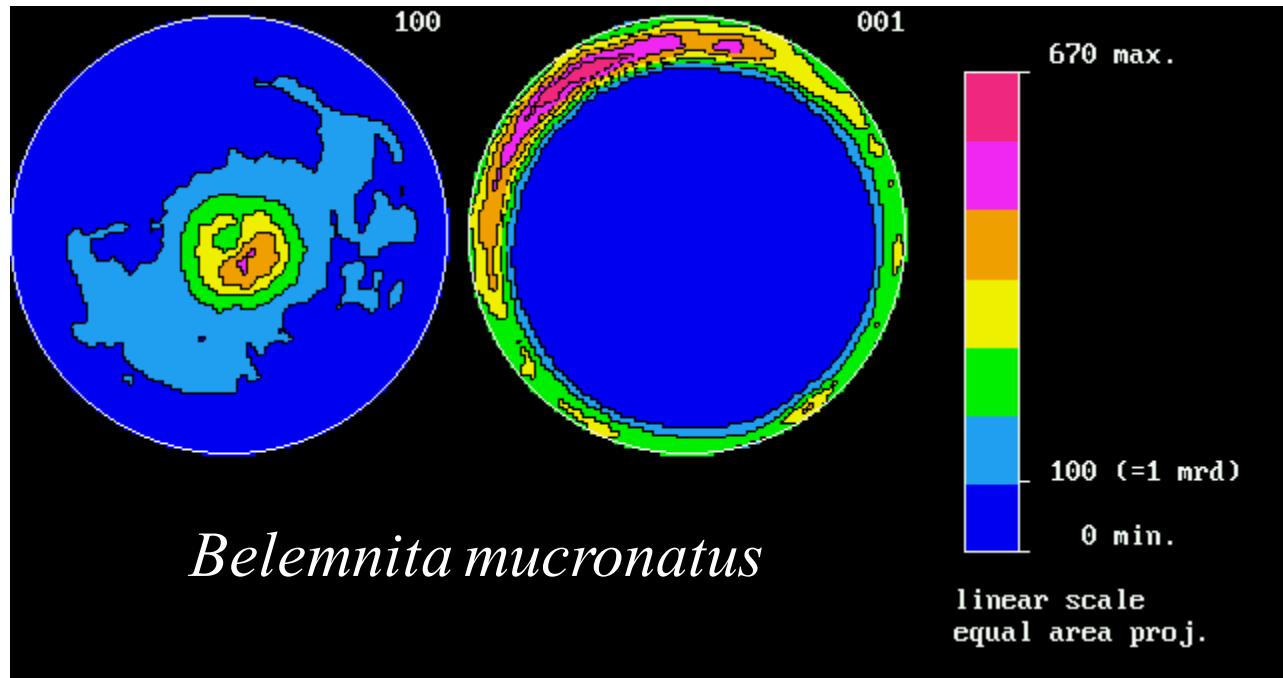
Trichites
(fossil)
c-axes $\angle N$
a-axes random

Texture Analysis results

	Layer type	ODF Max (mrd)	ODF min (mrd)	RP0 (%)	RP1 (%)	c-axis	a-axis	{001} Max (mrd)	F ² (mrd ²)	- S
<i>Pinna nobilis</i>	OP	303	0	50	29	// N	random	68	29	2.3
<i>Pteria penguin</i>	OP	84	0	29	15	// N	random	31	13	1.9
<i>Amussium parpiraceum</i>	OP	330	0	53	33	// G	<110> // M	20	31	2.6
<i>Bathymodiolus thermophilus</i>	OP	63	0	25	18	// G	// M	27	13	1.9
<i>Mytilus edulis</i>	OP	207	0	41	25	75° from N	<110> // M	23	21	2.2
<i>Trichites</i>	P	390	0	52	28	15° from N	random	56	41	2.2
<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	IF	908	0	45	31	35° from N	// M	>100	329	5.1

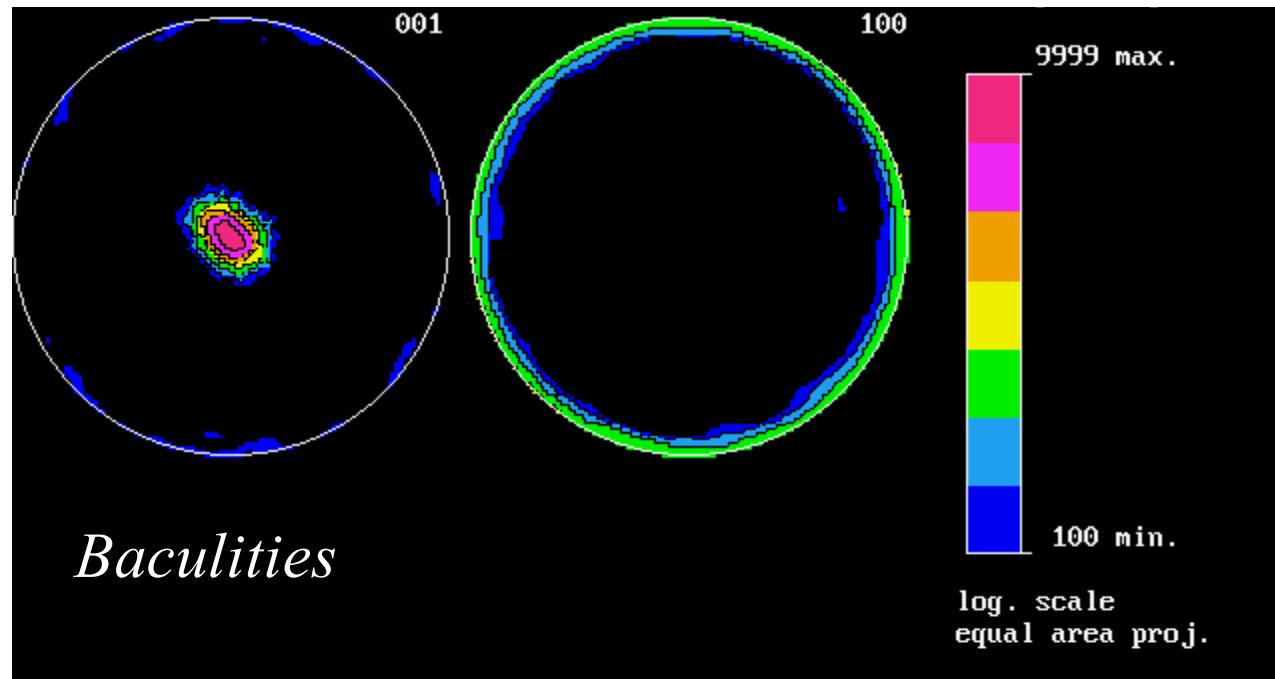
No DNA is available on fossils like Trichites, but Trichite's textural parameters are close to the ones of *pinnoids* or *pterioids*: interesting for the **classification of extinct species**

Calcitic fossils: *Belemnites*



c-axes perp. to the shell: as in other cephalopods

Aragonite fossils: *Baculites* sp.



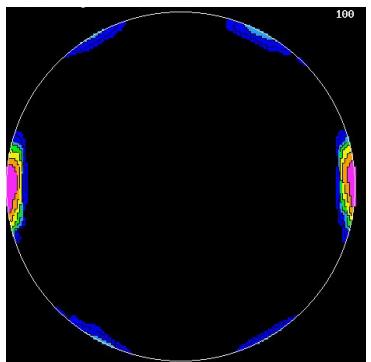
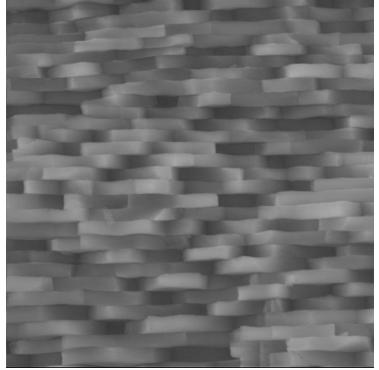
Baculites

c-axes perp. to the shell: as in other cephalopods,
strong c-calcite to c-aragonite fossils interaction

QTA and Mollusc's prothaetics

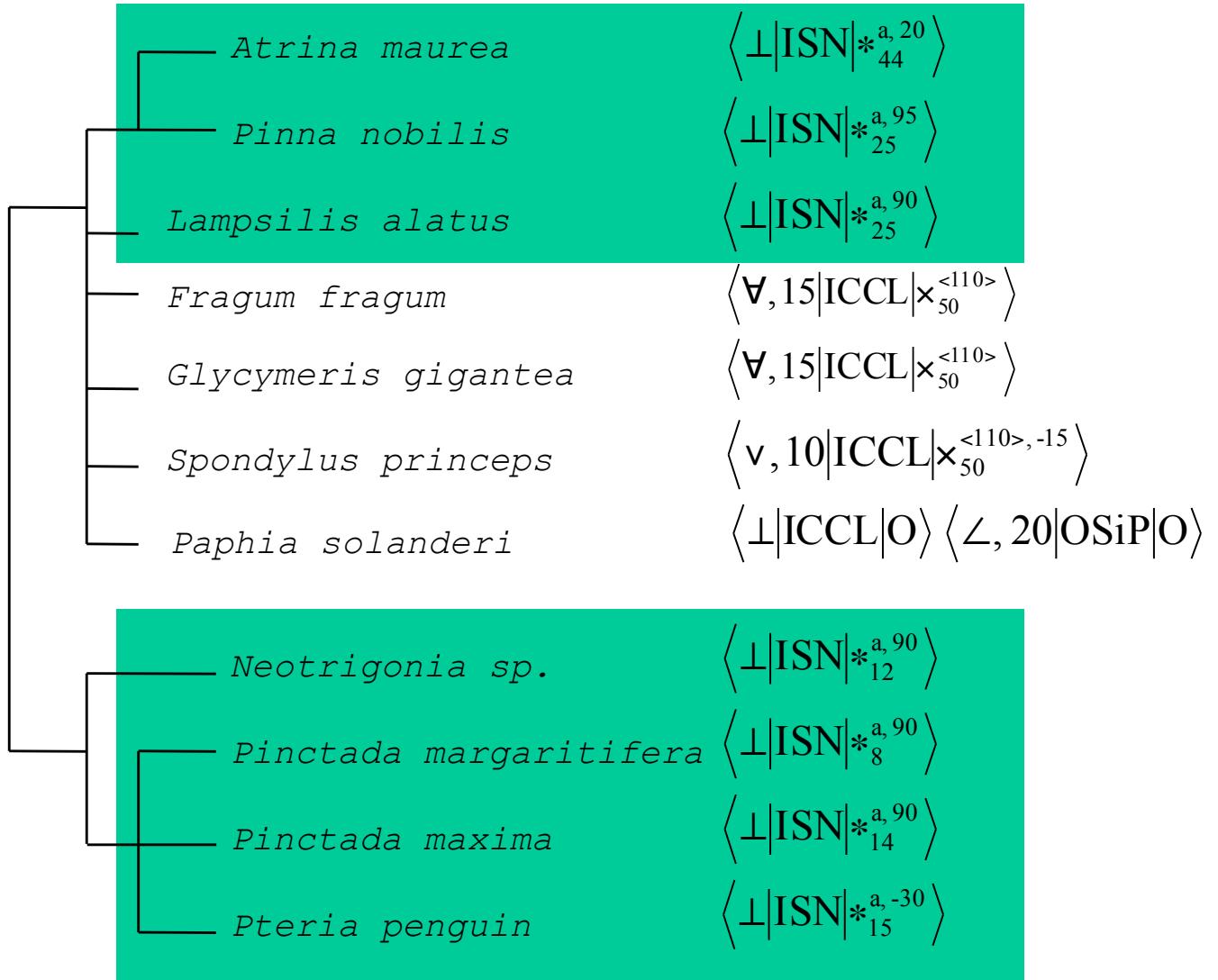
Pinctada margaritifera, *P. maxima* and *P. Nobilis* nacres:

Bio-compatible and **bio-inductive** layers for rabbit bones (E. Lopez (MNHN, Paris)



P. Margaritifera

Bivalvia



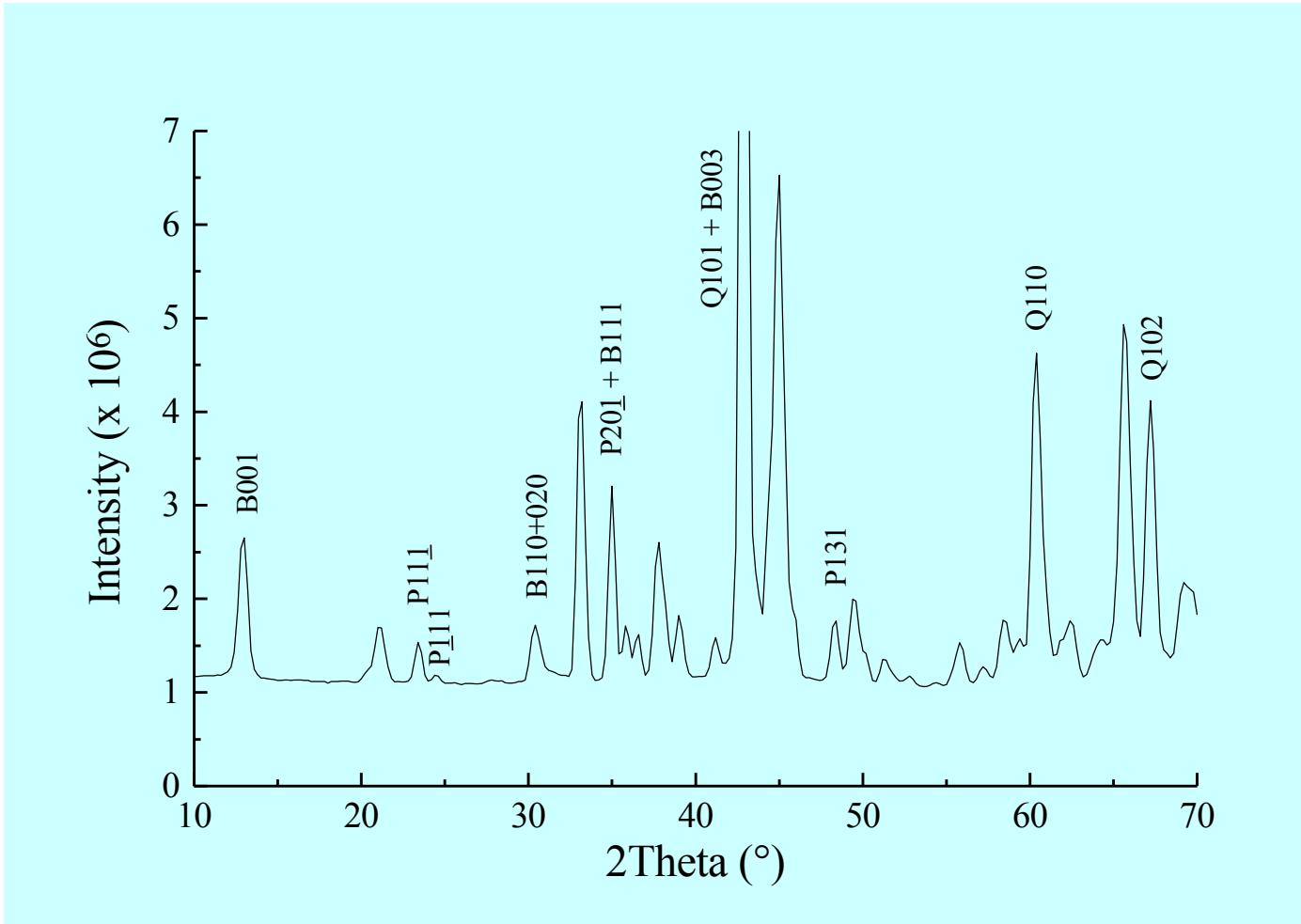
Some conclusions

- Shells exhibit a large variety of texture patterns, in their aragonite and calcite layers
- Textural parameters are similar for close species, different for distant species, they confirm organically driven growth and refute mineral epitaxy
- Texture and microstructure analyses give non-redundant information in shells
- “Texture” characters can be relevant for classification and phylogenetic interpretation, either for living or extinct species
- Texture may serve as a tool to predict bio-compatible species, and mechanical behaviours of shells

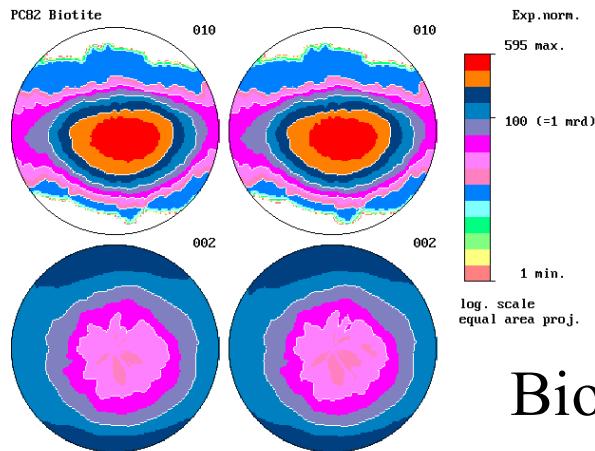
Polyphased Mylonite (Palm Canyon, CA)

Strongly deformed ensemble, late Cretaceous (H.-R. Wenk,
DEPS, Berkeley; B. Ouladdiaf ILL, Grenoble)

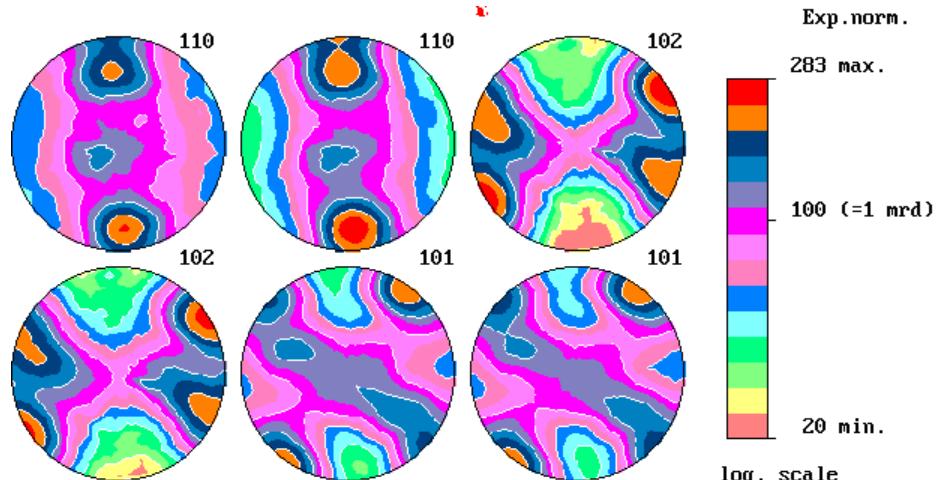
PC 82 mylonite	Biotite	Quartz	Albite	Anorthite	K-spar
Composition (weight %)	9.0	24.2	31.7	17.4	14.1
Space group	C2/m	R3	C-1		



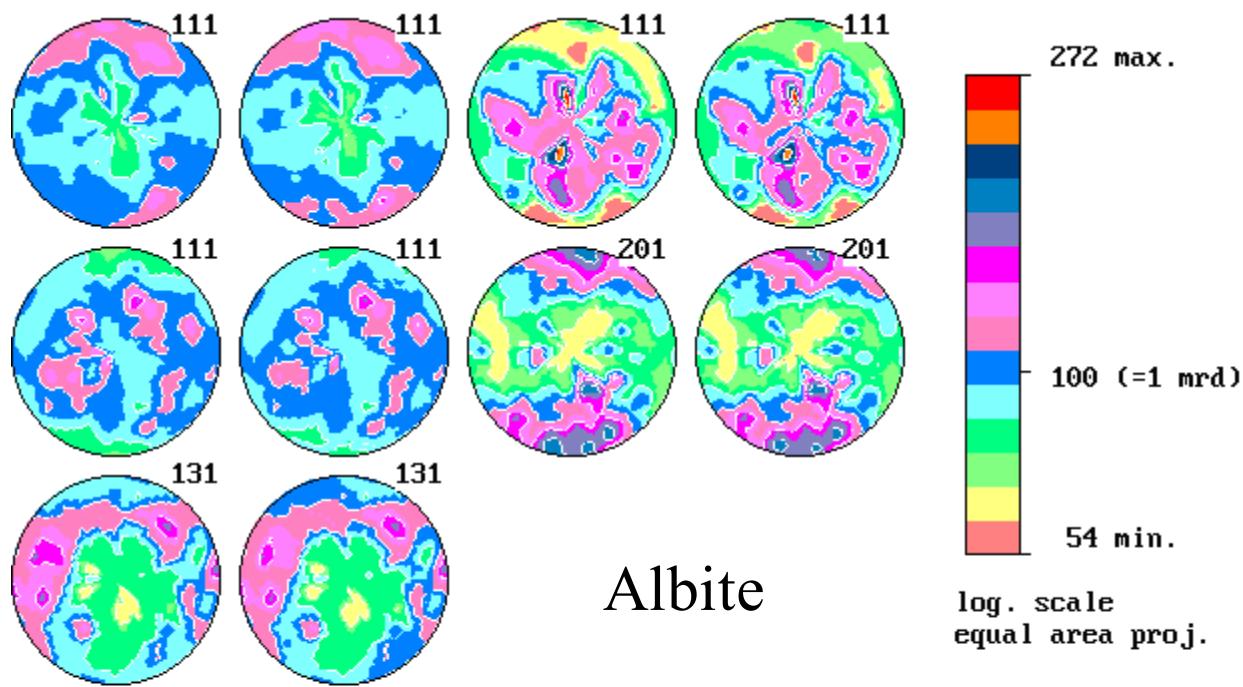
Strongly overlapped peaks, intra- and inter-phases: using point detectors is hardly manageable



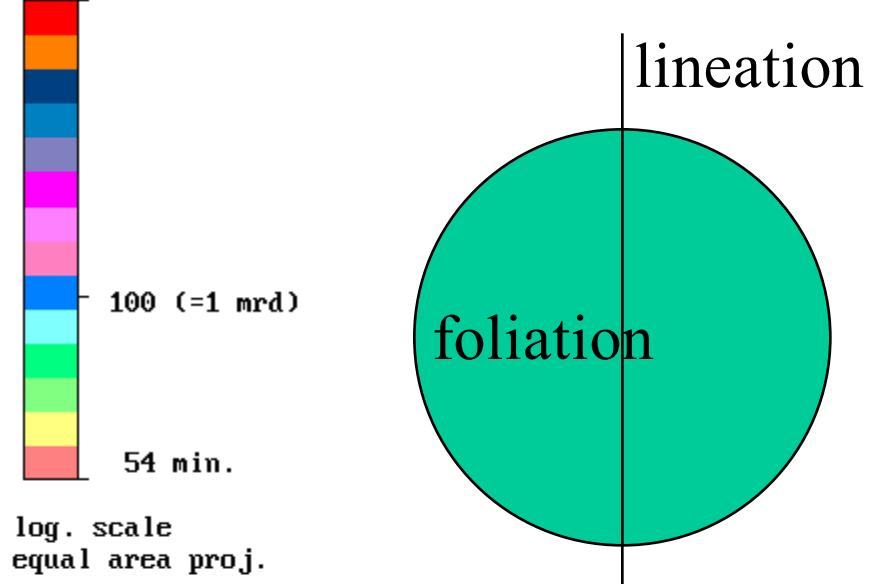
Biotite



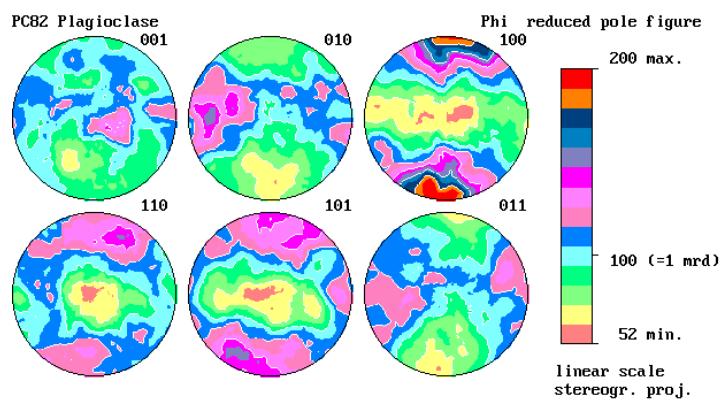
Quartz



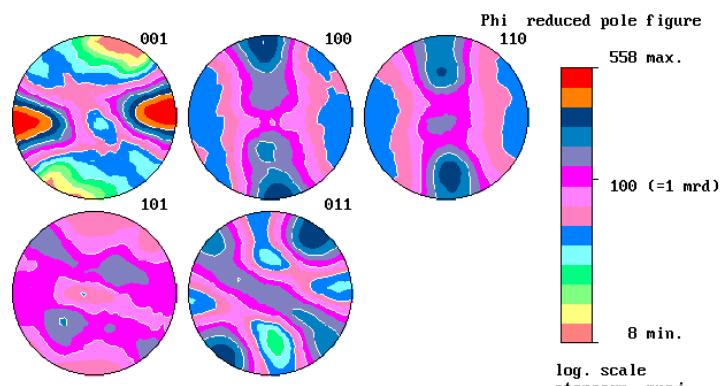
Albite



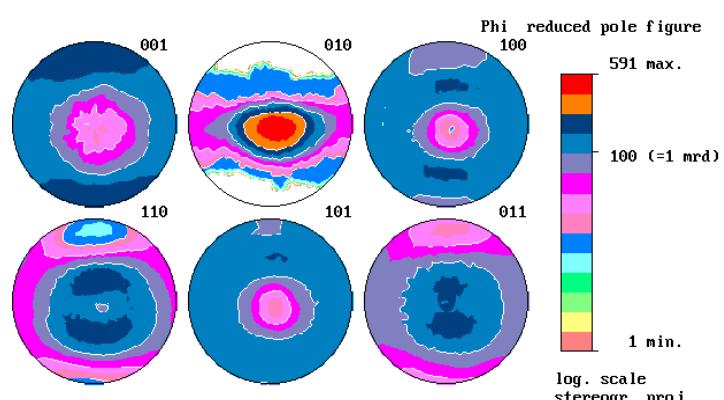
A



Q



B



	Biotite	Quartz	Albite
Used reflections	010 002 + 110 101 + 011	110 102 + 012 101/011	$\bar{1}1, 1\bar{1},$ $11\bar{1}, 20$ 131
Declared overlaps	002/110	102/012 101/011	-
OD minima (m.r.d.)	0	0	0.1
OD maxima (m.r.d.)	11.3	12.1	9.9
S	-0.81	-0.58	-0.15
F^2 (m.r.d. ²)	3	2.8	1.3
\overline{RP}_0 (%)	2	9	2.3
\overline{RP}_1 (%)	1.2	5.9	2
\overline{RW}_0 (%)	1.3	4.8	1.5
\overline{RW}_1 (%)	1.2	3.7	1.5

// Lineation:

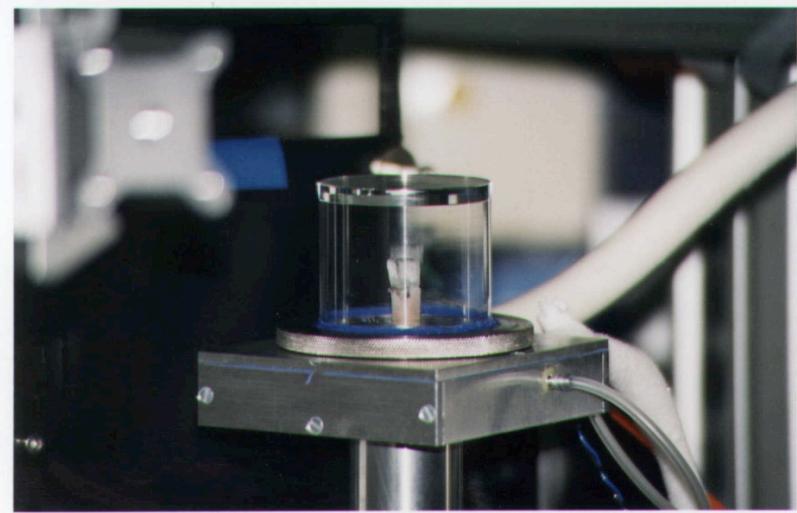
$<100>^*$ -quartz // $<100>^*$ -albite
 $<010>^*$ -biotite at 90°

// foliation:

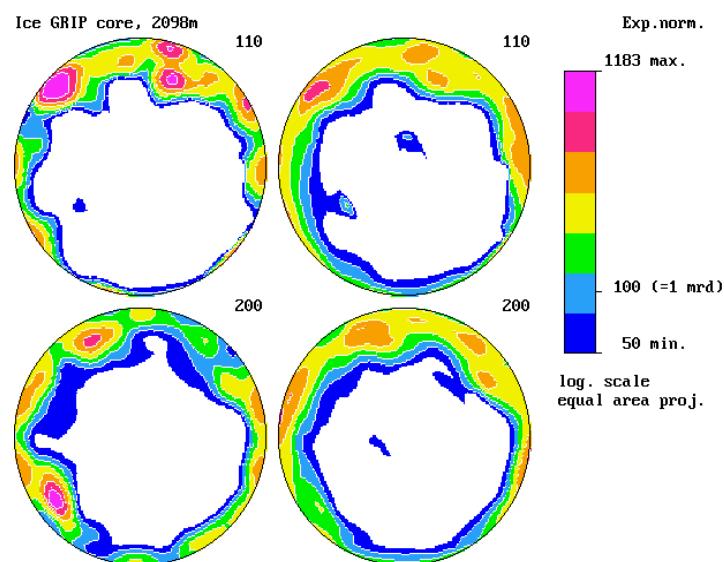
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quite $<100>^*$ fibre albite

Ice From the Greenland GRIP core

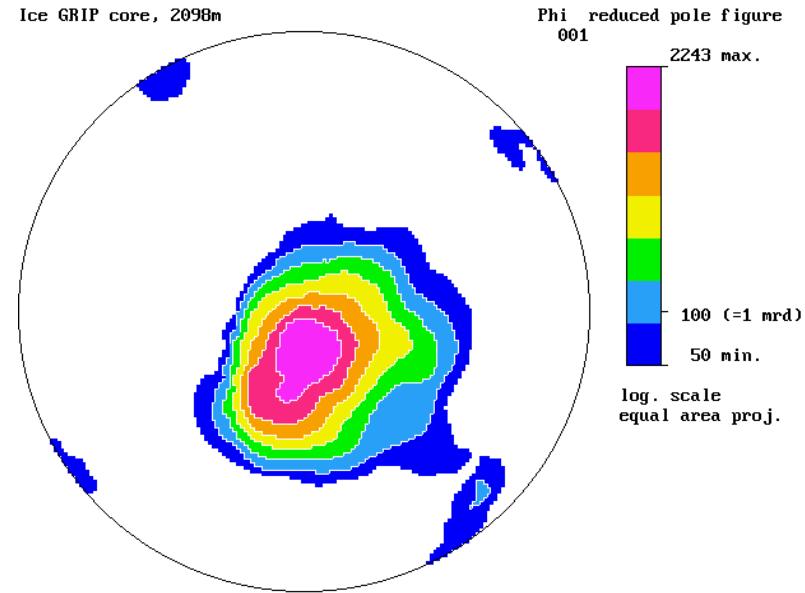
- 60°C Neutron diffraction studies of -2098 m deep natural ice ([P. Duval, Glaciology Lab, Grenoble](#))



Ice cube at -60°C, on beam line



Experimental-Normalized and Recalculated {110} and {200} neutron pole figures



{001} Recalculated neutron pole figure

Pole dispersion corresponds to polarised light microscopy analyses and to deformation-recrystallisation-rotation models

Metamorphic amphiboles from the Alps

(M. Zucali, G. Gosso, DES, Milano)

Metamorphic amphiboles have been studied within **polymetallic** rocks; the **combined approach** allows extracting experimental pole figures for most of the rock-forming minerals.

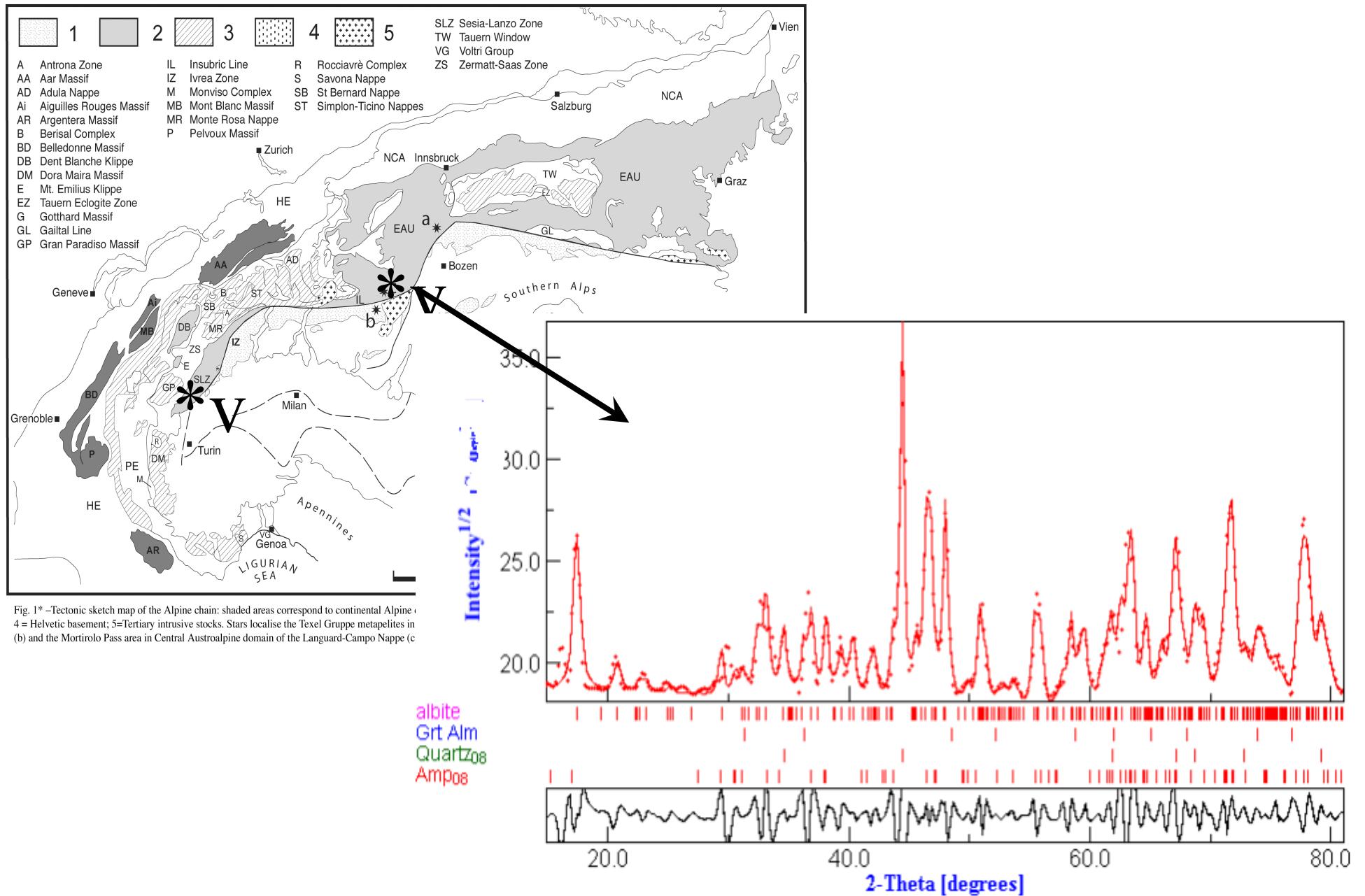
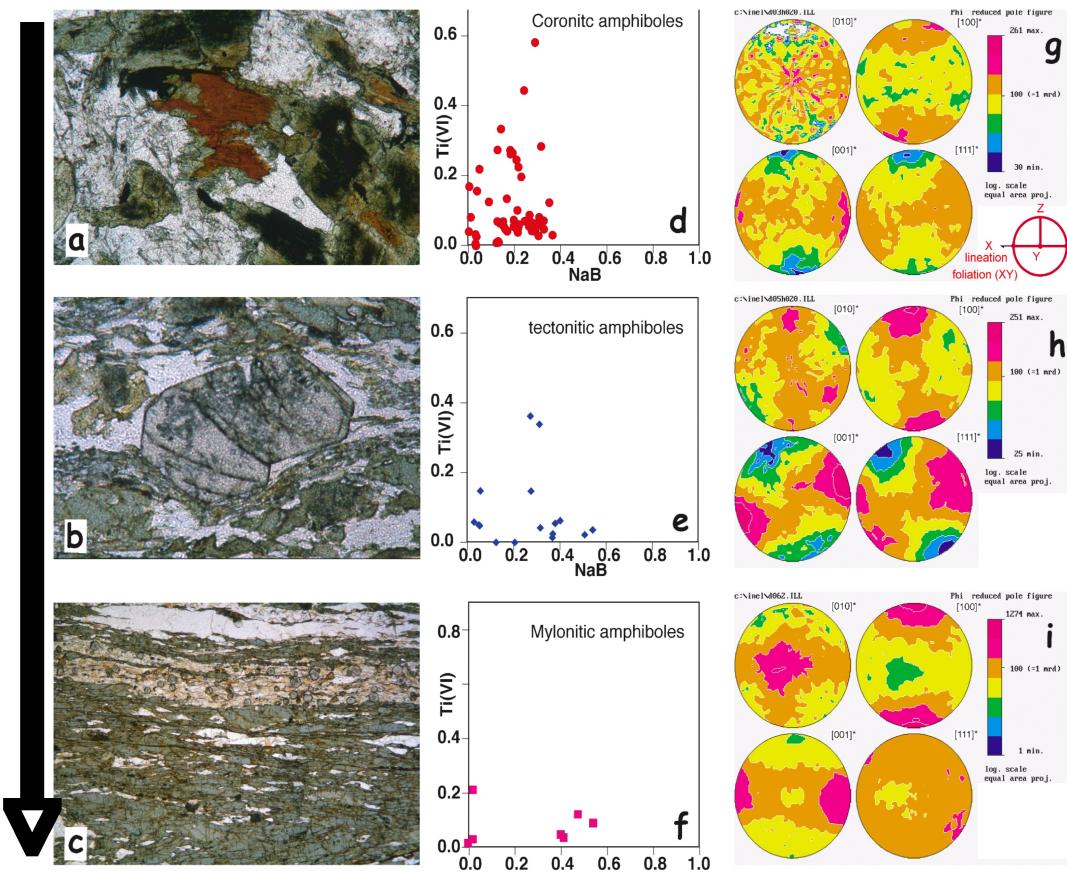
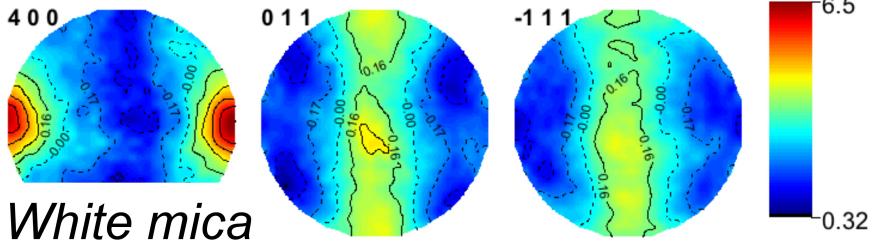


Fig. 1* -Tectonic sketch map of the Alpine chain: shaded areas correspond to continental Alpine; 4 = Helvetic basement; 5=Tertiary intrusive stocks. Stars localise the Texel Gruppe metapelites in (b) and the Mortirolo Pass area in Central Austroalpine domain of the Languard-Campo Nappe (c)

Degree of fabric evolution,
due to:

- deformation partitioning at metric-scale
- degree of chemical changes within amphiboles
- evolving metamorphic conditions during Alpine subduction (60-100 Million years).

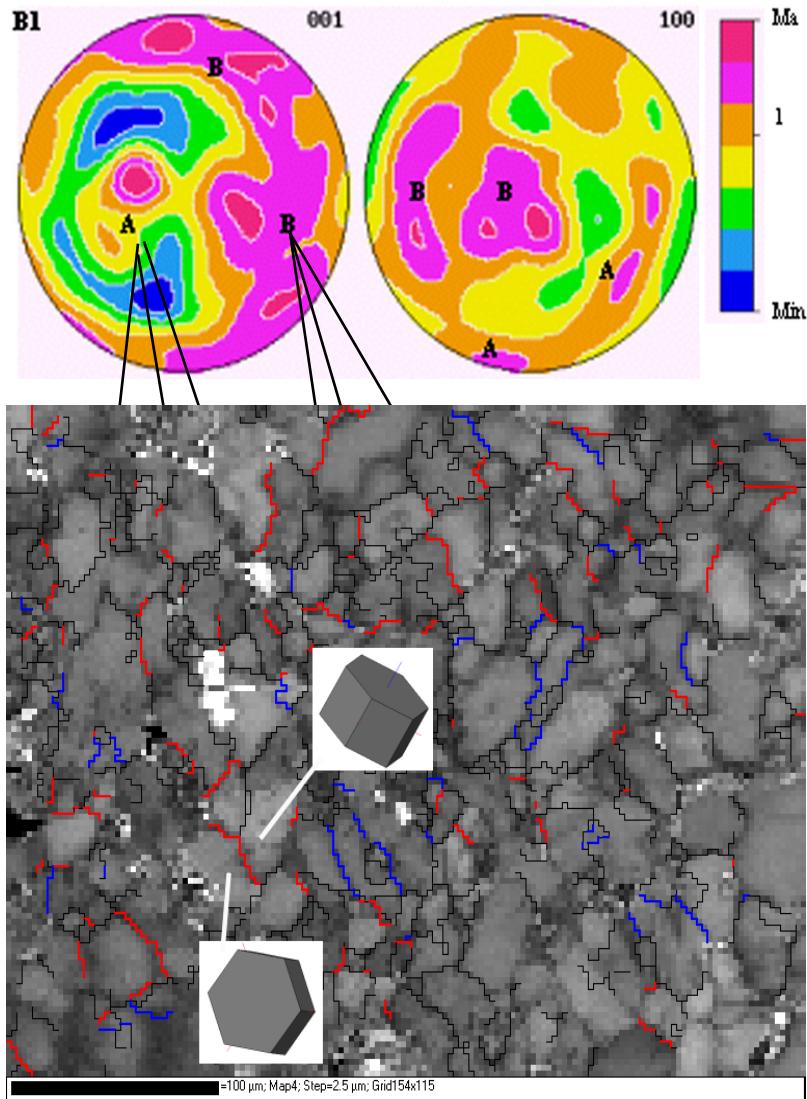


Siliceous Crust-Type microquartz horizons

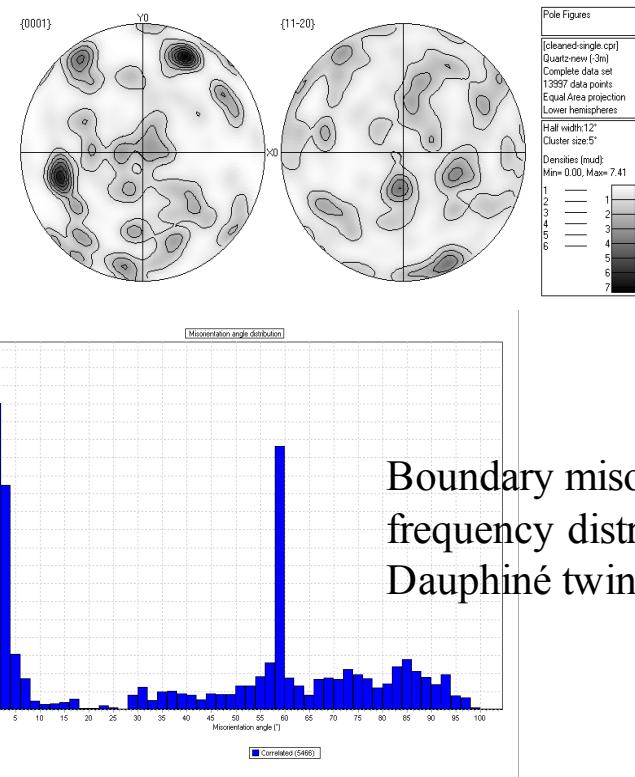
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