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Evolutionary Biology of Orthopteroid Insects Cambridge University Press
 Evolutionary Biology, of which this is the eighteenth volume, continues to offer its readers a wide range of original articles, reviews, and commentaries on evolution, in the broadest sense of that term. The topics of the reviews range from anthropology and behavior to molecular biology and systematics. In recent volumes, a broad spectrum of articles have appeared on such subjects as natural selection among replicating molecules in vitro, mate recognition and the reproductive behavior of *Drosophila*, molecular systematics of Crocodylia, evolution of the monocotyledons, and the communication network made possible among even distantly related genera of bacteria by plasmids and other transposable elements. Articles such as these, often too long for standard journals, are the stuff of Evolutionary Biology. The editors continue to solicit manuscripts on an international scale in an effort to see that everyone of the many facets of biological evolution is covered. Manuscripts should be sent to anyone of the following: Max K. Hecht, Department of Biology, Queens College of the City University of New York, Flushing, New York 11367; Bruce Wallace, Department of Biology, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, Virginia 24061; Ghillian T. Prance, New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, New York 10458.
Morphology, Shape and Phylogeny Editorial CSIC - CSIC Press
 Documentation of microevolution through geologic time is a significant paleontologic contribution to evolutionary biology. Paleomicroevolutionary studies require accurate stratigraphic resolution over a large geographic area, through changing environments, over a sustained period of time, with an abundant, complex, eurytopic fossil group. The combination of cryptostome bryozoans, revised taxonomic procedures, multivariate morphometric methods, and advances in microcomputer technology allows for research of this nature. Multivariate analysis of a large morphometric data set demonstrates that discrete fenestrate bryozoan morphs can be recognized objectively at three hierarchical levels: species, genera and families. Recent studies of hard-part versus electrophoretic species recognition in

cheilostome bryozoans and scleractinian corals support the interpretation that fenestrate species represent true biological species rather than morphotaxa. Morphometric analysis demonstrates that some characters are taxonomically more important than others, but use of all available characters yields the most reliable results. *Worthenopora* is a Mississippian cryptostome bryozoan tentatively assigned to the order Cheilostomata (Jurassic and younger) but some early workers. This alignment raises the question of affinities between cryptostomes (class Stenolaemata) and cheilostomes (class Gymnolaemata). Based on wall structure, growth sequence, zooecial shape, and secondary structures such as stylets, *Worthenopora* is here shown to be a stenolaemate, assignable to the suborder Ptilodictyina with other bifoliate cryptostomes, with no special affinities with cheilostomes. Paleontologic data frequently do not satisfy assumptions of normality and homoscedasticity of many parametric statistical tests. Normal scores tests, which employ normal order deviates (rankits), provide an attractive alternative for treatment of such data. Computer programs Rankit and Mathematica provide a practical method of calculating rankits and converting raw data, making normal scores tests more accessible. Three-dimensional shapes of cryptostome bryozoan autozooecial chambers are important for systematics and paleoecologic interpretations, however, computer automation of three-dimensional reconstruction from serial sections is not yet practical. Based on morphometric analysis of the rhabdomesoid *Streblotrypa prisca*, ecophenotypic and geographic variation are significant factors for microevolutionary studies. Apparently non-astrogenetic morphologic growth gradients are demonstrated with colonies of *S. prisca*. A morphologic cline distributed over a 300 km transect is demonstrated; control is unclear, but it may be associated with a depth gradient.
Modern Morphometrics in Physical Anthropology Springer Science & Business Media
 The neotropical ecoregion consisting of South America, Central America, Southern Mexico, the Caribbean Islands, and Southern Florida, has long been considered an area rich in mammalian diversity and one that contains some of the world's iconic carnivores such as the Jaguar and Puma. These, and other carnivores represent the highest trophic levels within neotropical areas and as keystone species, can markedly alter omnivore and herbivore mammalian communities and indirectly, plant communities. Unfortunately, due to human population pressures,

many neotropical areas and the mammals within them are increasingly at risk. This problem is compounded by the lack of current genetics, evolutionary biology and conservation data of these critical carnivores available to conservation biologists at the forefront of trying to preserve and protect these imperiled geographical areas. This book helps to meet these shortcomings by providing contributions from 60 of the world's leading scientists in the area of neotropical carnivores. The first section of the book covers molecular population genetics and phylogeography of diverse neotropical carnivores such as otters, coatis and other Mustelidae and Procyonidae, wild cats (jaguar, puma, ocelot, jaguarondi, Pampas cat, and Andean cat) and the Andean bear. Significant sections of the book are also devoted to the topics of reproduction, geometric morphometrics of wild canids and a complete paleontological view of the evolution of all neotropical carnivore groups. Furthermore, the book contains several chapters on the conservation details and varying cultural perspectives regarding the two larger and more mythical neotropical carnivores, the jaguar and the Andean bear, which together, are the paradigm for the conservation programs in Central and South America.
Volume 18 Cambridge University Press
 Bones and Cartilage provides the most in-depth review and synthesis assembled on the topic, across all vertebrates. It examines the function, development and evolution of bone and cartilage as tissues, organs and skeletal systems. It describes how bone and cartilage develop in embryos and are maintained in adults, how bone is repaired when we break a leg, or regenerates when a newt grows a new limb, or a lizard a new tail. The second edition of *Bones and Cartilage* includes the most recent knowledge of molecular, cellular, developmental and evolutionary processes, which are integrated to outline a unified discipline of developmental and evolutionary skeletal biology. Additionally, coverage includes how the molecular and cellular aspects of bones and cartilage differ in different skeletal systems and across species, along with the latest studies and hypotheses of relationships between skeletal cells and the most recent information on coupling between osteocytes and osteoclasts. All chapters have been revised and updated to include the latest research. Offers complete coverage of every aspect of bone and cartilage, with updated references and extensive illustrations. Integrates development and evolution of the skeleton, as well as synthesis of differentiation, growth and patterning. Treats all levels from molecular to clinical, embryos to evolution, and covers

all vertebrates as well as invertebrate cartilages Includes new chapters on evolutionary skeletal biology that highlight normal variation and variability, and variation outside the norm (neomorphs, atavisms) Updates hypotheses on the origination of cartilage using new phylogenetic, cellular and genetic data Covers stem cells in embryos and adults, including mesenchymal stem cells and their use in genetic engineering of cartilage, and the concept of the stem cell niche
Encyclopedia of Infectious Diseases Springer Science & Business Media

Morphological convergence is observed throughout the tree of life. Convergent morphologies have been attributed to a variety of mechanisms including ecomorphological adaptation, and ontogenetic plasticity among others. Parallelism has been considered a specialized subset of convergence where common descent has contributed toward the independent evolution of similar morphologies. However, morphological convergence can mislead phylogenetic reconstruction when assumptions of character independence are violated by a misunderstanding of morphological variation making it difficult to distinguish processes of convergence from parallelism. Rigorous study of morphological variation and ontogeny provide a means to resolve evolutionary pattern and process in organismal groups that are complicated by the evolution of recurrent or convergent morphologies.
Modern Methodologies Cambridge University Press

Phylogenetic analysis and morphometrics have been developed by biologists into rigorous analytic tools for testing hypotheses about the relationships between groups of species. This book applies these tools to paleontological data. The fossil record is our one true chronicle of the history of life, preserving a set of macroevolutionary patterns; thus various hypotheses about evolutionary processes can be tested in the fossil record using phylogenetic analysis and morphometrics. The first book of its type, *Fossils, Phylogeny, and Form* will be useful in evolutionary biology, paleontology, systematics, evolutionary development, theoretical biology, biogeography, and zoology. It will also provide a practical, researcher-friendly gateway into computer-based phylogenetics and morphometrics.
Morphodynamics CRC Press

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Geometric Morphometrics for Biologists A Primer Academic Press
Morphometric Approaches to Systematics and Microevolution Springer Science & Business Media

This book frames and demonstrates the best of modern morphometric methods, bridging the gap between biostatistics and organismal biology.
Morphometric Tools for Landmark Data Cambridge University Press

This book aims to explain how to use R to perform morphometrics. Morphometric analysis is the study of shape and size variations and covariations and their covariations with other variables. Morphometrics is thus deeply rooted within statistical sciences. While most applications concern biology, morphometrics is becoming common tools used in archeological, palaeontological, geographical, or medicine disciplines. Since the recent formalizations of some of the ideas of predecessors, such as D'Arcy Thompson, and thanks to the development of computer technologies and new ways for appraising shape changes and variation, morphometrics have undergone, and are still undergoing, a revolution. Most techniques dealing with statistical shape analysis have been developed in the last three decades, and the number of publications using morphometrics is increasing rapidly. However, the majority of these methods cannot be implemented in available software and therefore prospective students often need to acquire detailed knowledge in informatics and statistics before applying them to their data. With acceleration in the accumulation of methods accompanying the emerging science of statistical shape analysis, it is becoming important to use tools that allow some autonomy. R easily helps fulfill this need. R is a language and environment for statistical computing and graphics. Although there is an increasing number of computer applications that perform morphometrics, using R has several advantages that confer to users considerable power and possible new horizons in a world that requires rapid adaptability.
An Analytical Approach Springer Science & Business Media

Morphometrics has undergone a revolutionary transformation in the past two decades as new methods have been developed to address shortcomings in the traditional multivariate analysis of linear distances, angles, and indices. While there is much active research in the field, the new approaches to shape analysis are already making significant and ever-increasing contributions to biological research, including physical anthropology. *Modern Morphometrics in Physical Anthropology* highlights the basic machinery of the most important methods, while introducing

novel extensions to these methods and illustrating how they provide enhanced results compared to more traditional approaches. *Modern Morphometrics in Physical Anthropology* provides a comprehensive sampling of the applications of modern, sophisticated methods of shape analysis in anthropology, and serves as a starting point for the exploration of these practices by students and researchers who might otherwise lack the local expertise or training to get started. This text is an important resource for the general morphometric community that includes ecologists, evolutionary biologists, systematists, and medical researchers.
The Geometry of Size and Shape Change, with Examples from Fishes Cambridge University Press

A valuable resource for the latest research on rodents, highlighting links across palaeontology, developmental biology, functional morphology, phylogenetics and biomechanics.
Evolution of the Rodents Springer Science & Business Media

Morphodynamics is defined as the unique interaction among environment, functional morphology, developmental constraints, phylogeny, and time—all of which shape the evolution of life. These fabrication patterns and similarities owe their regularity not to a detailed genetic program, but to extrinsic factors, which may be mechanical, chemical, or biological in nature. These self-organizing mechanisms are the focus of Morphodynamics. Illustrated by numerous examples from across the biological spectrum, this book embodies the foundation of noted paleontologist Adolf Seilacher's thinking on the study of morphodynamics. It represents his unique approach of presenting paleontology from an ecological and constructional perspective, rather than a purely taxonomic one. The hallmark of Seilacher's storied career has been a constructional and functional focus. He begins by discussing the basic principles—form, pattern formation, ecology and evolution, as well as the factors that override those processes. Next, he examines how morphodynamic principles are implemented in various invertebrates including single-celled protists, Ediacarans, sponges, coelenterates, shelled organisms, worms, arthropods, and echinoderms. The final chapter explores how morphogenetic principles may apply to clonal colonial organisms. Summarizing seventy years of research into the interactions of form, function, and evolution, the book is copiously illustrated with the author's own distinctive drawings and an abundance of photos. It provides a framework for readers to pose their own questions and sharpen their interpretive skills on this fascinating topic.
Computational Botany Smithsonian

Despite recent advances in genetics, development, anatomy, systematics, and morphometrics, the synthesis of ideas and research agenda put forth in the classic *Morphological Integration* remains remarkably fresh, timely, and relevant. Pioneers in reexamining morphology, Everett Olson and Robert Miller were among the first to explore the concept of the integrated organism in both living and extinct populations. In a new foreword and afterword, biologists Barry Chernoff and Paul Magwene summarize the landmark achievements made by Olson and Miller and bring matters discussed in the book up to date, suggest new methods, and accentuate the importance of continued research in morphological integration. Everett C. Olson was a professor at the University of Chicago and at the University of California, Los Angeles. He was a former president of the Society of Vertebrate Paleontology. Robert L. Miller was associate professor of geology at the University of Chicago, associate scientist in marine geology at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, and a member of the board of editors of the *Journal of Geology*.
Development, Function and Evolution of Teeth Springer

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Introduction: The Fossil Record. 1.
Bones and Cartilage Frontiers Media SA

Morphology has traditionally been used as the primary criterion for species delimitation, and many modern studies still utilize this in practice. The influence of phenotypic plasticity can confound studies in evolutionary biology and ecology, and the limited resources for conservation projects may be applied inefficiently. Understanding of the contributing factors of morphological variation is needed. *Elimia proxima* a highly variable freshwater snail (Pleuroceridae), has been described as a separate species multiple times over the last century by different researchers because of the high degree of morphological variation. Robert T. Dillon performed a study of the ecological correlates of the morphological variation in *E. proxima* in 1980. In this study we re-examine the correlated variation of Dillon's original study using size independent Geometric Morphometric analysis. Samples of snail shells from 25 populations (n=1203) were photographed and digitized with 19 landmarks for use in Thin Plate Spline analysis. Multiple regressions, Partial mantel Tests and . . . (Partial Eta Squared) tests were performed and Wilk's Lambda values were calculated for the influence of size and the 14 environmental variables of Dillon's original study in the variation in shape. Results indicate a complex interaction of both genetics and environmental variables in the generation of shell phenotype, and we assess the relative contribution of each to the overall variation seen in *E. proxima*. -Author
Uniqueness and Diversity in Human Evolution Springer Science & Business Media

Generally, biologists and mathematicians who study the shape and form of organisms have largely been working in isolation from those who work on evolutionary relationships through the analysis of common characteristics. Increasingly however, dialogue between the two communities is beginning to develop - but other than a handful of journal papers, *The Measurement of Biological Shape and Shape Change* John Wiley & Sons

Shaping Primate Evolution is an edited collection of papers about how biological form is described in primate biology, and the consequences of form for function and behavior. The contributors are highly regarded internationally recognized scholars in the field of quantitative primate evolutionary morphology. Each chapter elaborates upon the analysis of the form-function-behavior triad in a unique and compelling way. This book is distinctive not only in the diversity of the topics discussed, but also in the range of levels of biological organization that are addressed from cellular morphometrics to the evolution of primate ecology. The book is dedicated to Charles E. Oxnard, whose influential pioneering work on innovative metric and analytic techniques has gone hand-in-hand with meticulous comparative functional analyses of primate anatomy. Through the marriage of theory with analytical applications, this volume will be an important reference work for all those interested in primate functional morphology.
Geometry and Statistics for Studies of Organismal Form Nova Science Publishers

This book offers a thorough and up-to-date treatment of the use of morphometric procedures in a wide variety of contexts. As one of the most dynamic and popular fields on the contemporary biological scene, morphometrics is gaining notice among researchers and students as a necessary complement to molecular studies in the understanding and maintenance of biodiversity. This is the first reference to meet that growing need.
Geometric Morphometrics for Biologists CRC Press

This book discusses innovative methods for mining information from images of plants, especially leaves, and highlights the diagnostic features that can be implemented in fully automatic systems for identifying plant species. Adopting a multidisciplinary approach, it explores the problem of plant species identification, covering both the concepts of taxonomy and morphology. It then provides an overview of morphometrics, including the historical background and the main steps in the morphometric analysis of leaves together with a number of applications. The core of the book focuses on novel diagnostic methods for plant species identification developed from a computer scientist's perspective. It then concludes with a chapter on the characterization of botanists' visions, which highlights important cognitive aspects that can be implemented in a computer system to more accurately replicate the human expert's fixation process. The book not only represents an authoritative guide to advanced computational tools for plant identification, but provides experts in botany, computer science and pattern recognition with new ideas and challenges. As such it is expected to foster both closer collaborations and further technological developments in the emerging field of automatic plant identification.
Academic Press

This first systematic survey of the subject combines multivariate statistical analysis, geometry, and biomathematics.