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Chapter 29

Plant Diversity I: How Plants Colonized Land



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Figure 29.1



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Concept 29.1: Land plants evolved from green algae

- Green algae called charophytes are the closest relatives of land plants

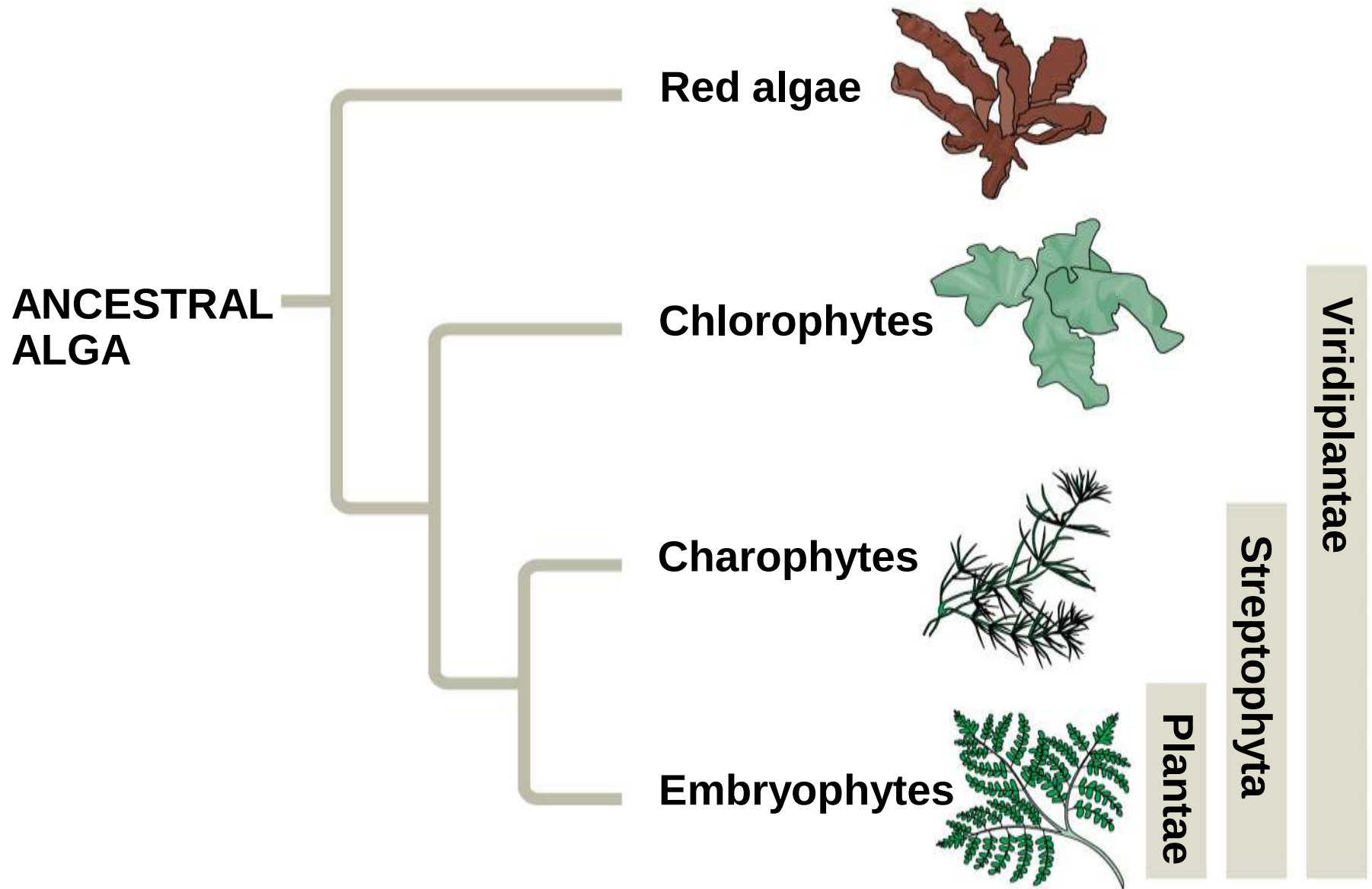


Adaptations Enabling the Move to Land

- In charophytes a layer of a durable polymer called **sporopollenin** prevents exposed zygotes from drying out
- Sporopollenin is also found in plant spore walls
- The movement onto land by charophyte ancestors provided
 - unfiltered sun
 - more plentiful CO₂,
 - nutrient-rich soil,
 - few herbivores or pathogens
- Land presented challenges: a scarcity(نقص) of water and lack of structural support

- The accumulation (تراكم) of traits that facilitated survival on land may have opened the way to its colonization by plants
- Systematists are currently debating the boundaries of the plant kingdom
- Some biologists think the plant kingdom should be expanded to include some or all green algae
- Until this debate is resolved, we define plants as embryophytes, plants with embryos

Figure 29.4



Derived Traits of Plants

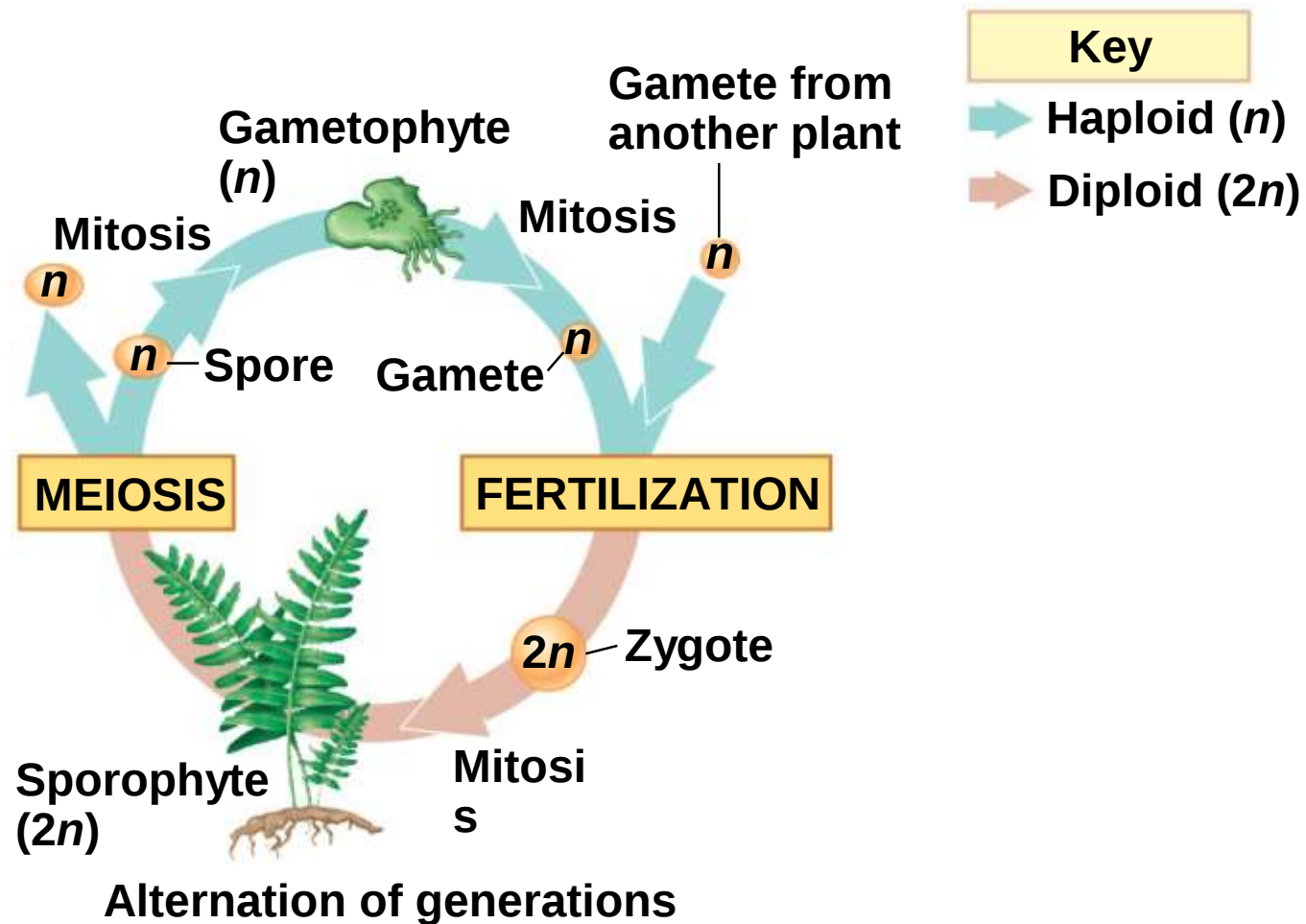
- Four key traits appear in nearly all land plants but are **absent** in the charophytes
 - **Alternation** of generations and multicellular, dependent embryos
 - **Walled spores produced** in sporangia
 - Multicellular **gametangia**
 - Apical **meristems**

Alternation of Generations and Multicellular, Dependent Embryos

- Plants alternate between two multicellular stages, a reproductive cycle called **alternation of generations**
- The **gametophyte** is haploid and produces haploid gametes by mitosis
- Fusion of the gametes gives rise to the diploid **sporophyte**, which produces haploid **spores** by meiosis

- The diploid embryo is retained(المحتجزة) within the tissue of the female gametophyte
- Nutrients are transferred from parent to embryo through **placental transfer cells**
- Land plants are called **embryophytes** because of the dependency of the embryo on the parent

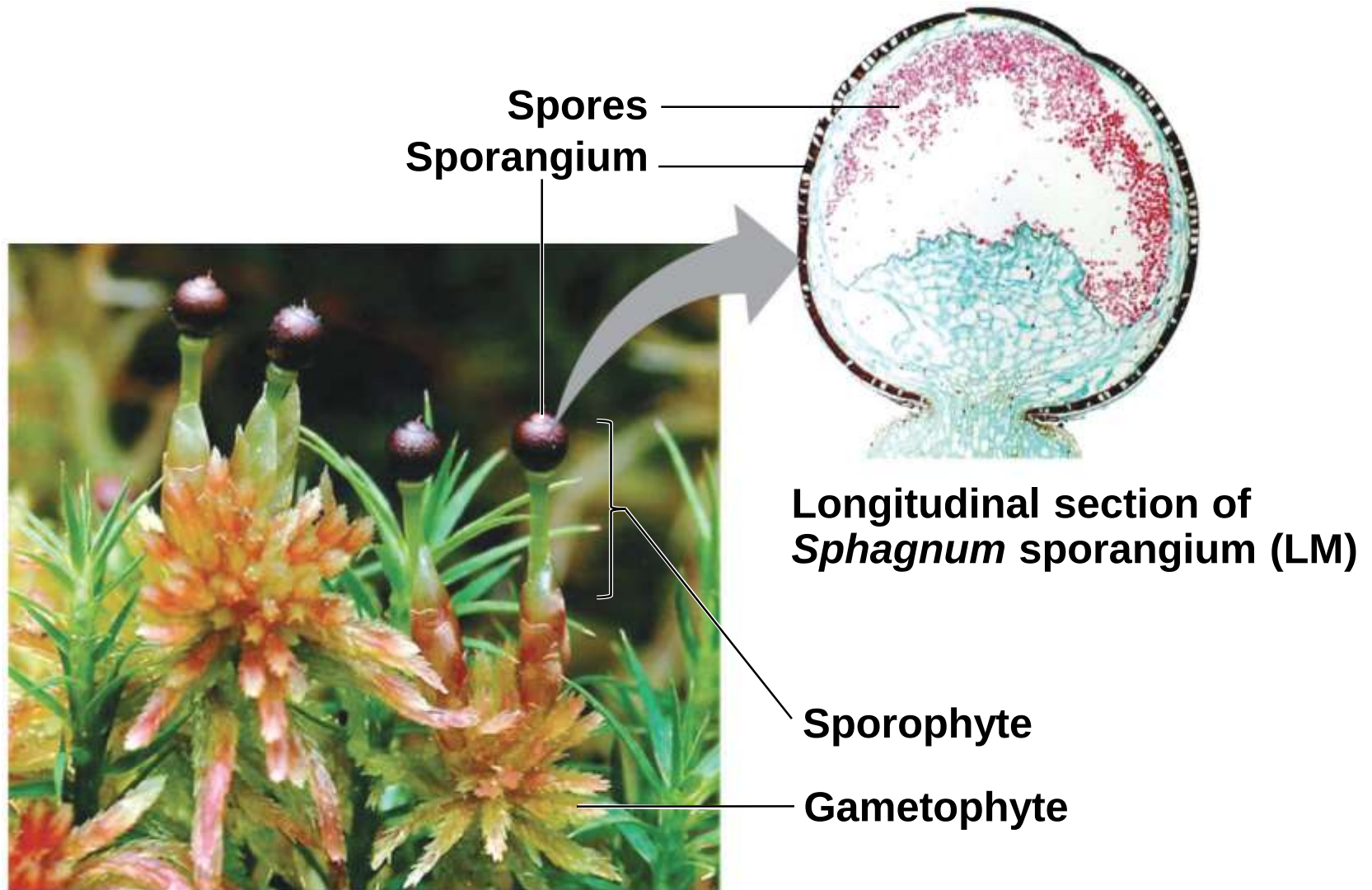
Figure 29.5a



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Walled Spores Produced in Sporangia

- The sporophyte produces spores in organs called **sporangia**
- Diploid cells called **sporocytes** undergo meiosis to generate haploid spores
- Spore walls contain **sporopollenin**, which makes them resistant(مقاومة) to harsh environments(البيئات القاسية)

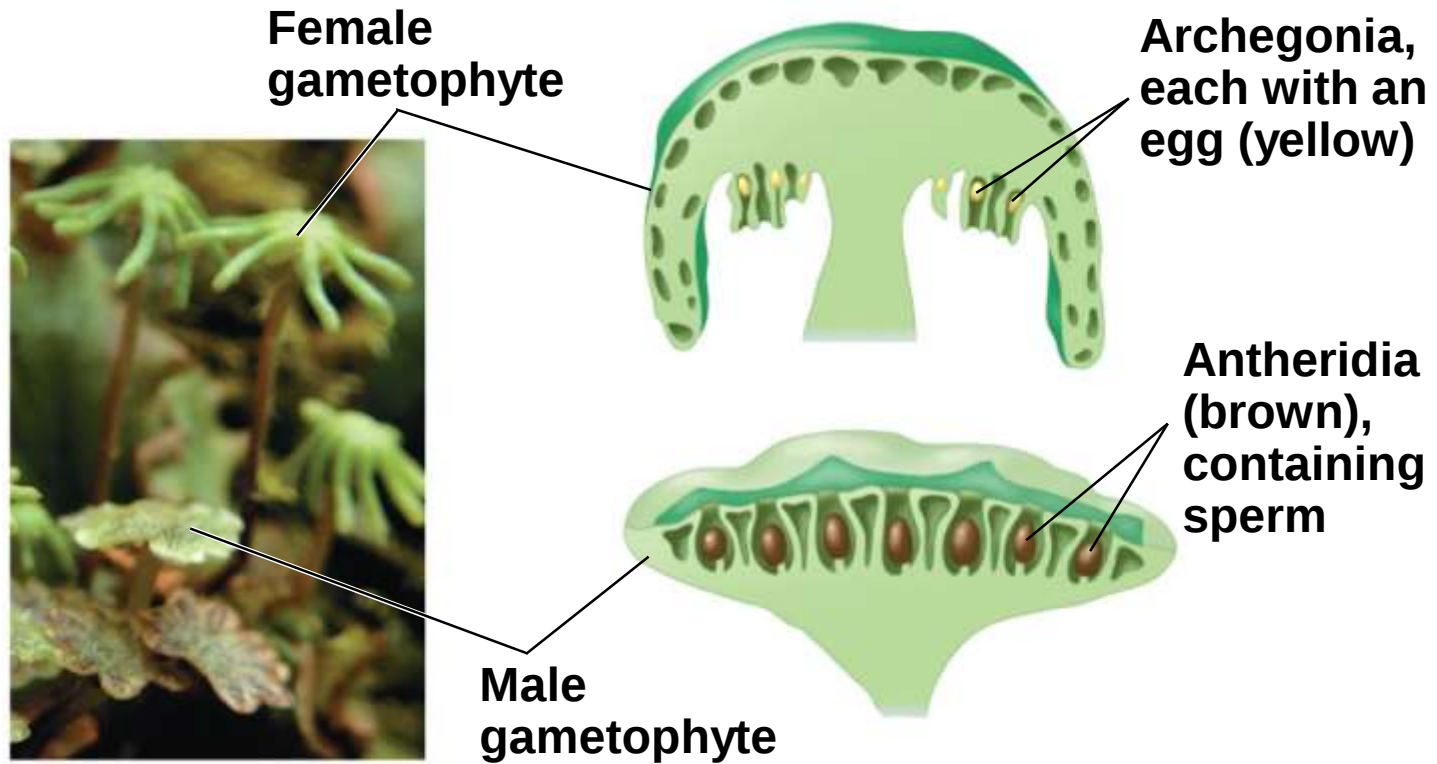


Sporophytes and sporangia of *Sphagnum* (a moss)

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Multicellular Gametangia

- Gametes are produced within organs called **gametangia**
- Female gametangia, called **archegonia**, produce eggs and are the site of fertilization
- Male gametangia, called **antheridia**, produce and release sperm



Archegonia and antheridia of *Marchantia* (a liverwort)

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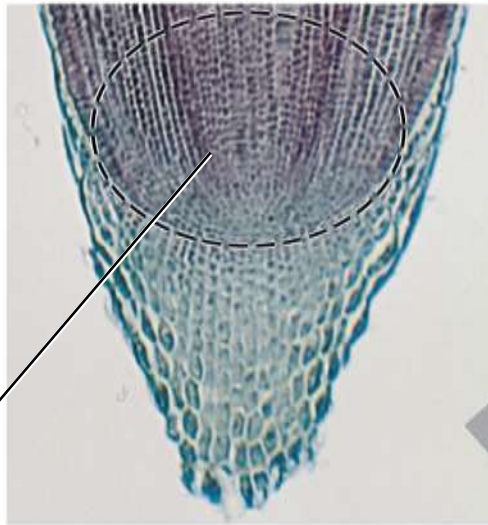
Apical Meristems

- Plants sustain continual growth in their **apical meristems**
- Cells from the apical meristems **differentiate** into various tissues

Figure 29.5e

Apical meristems of plant roots and shoots

Apical meristem of root

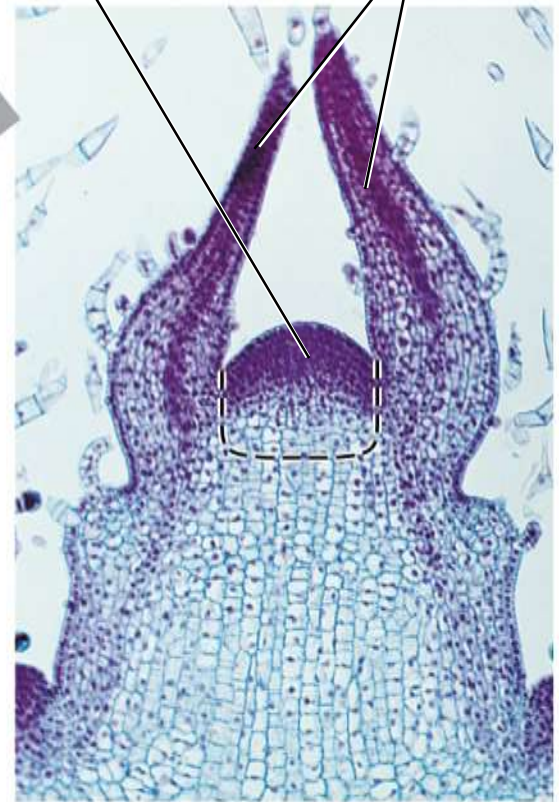


Root

100 μm

Apical meristem of shoot

Developing leaves



Shoot

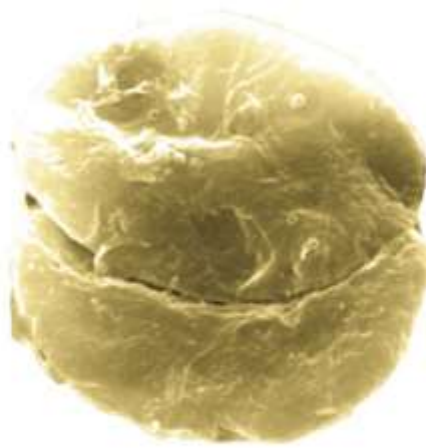
100 μm

- Additional derived traits include
 - **Cuticle**, a waxy covering of the epidermis
 - **Mycorrhizae**, symbiotic(تكافلية) associations between fungi and land plants that may have helped plants without true roots to obtain nutrients

The Origin and Diversification of Plants

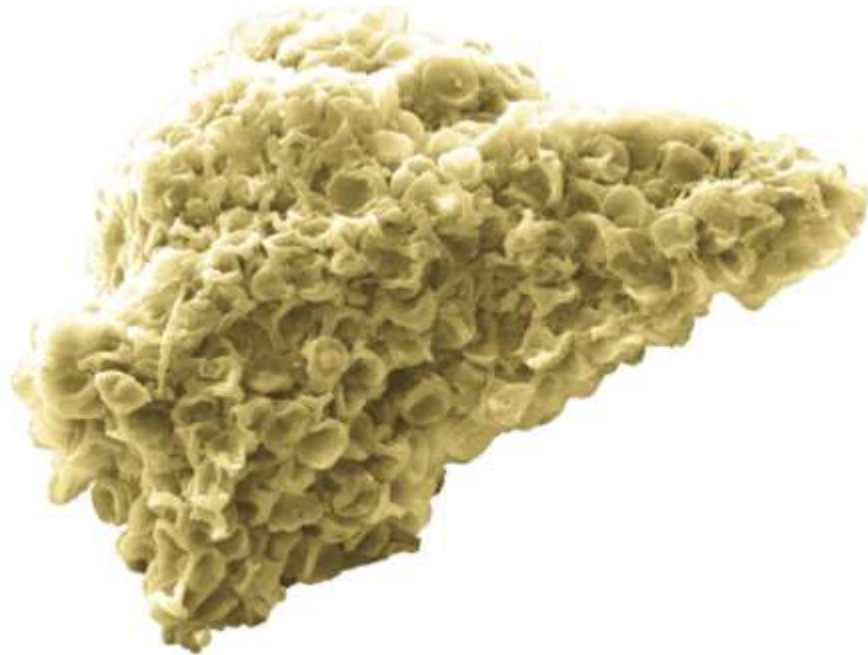
- Fossil evidence indicates that plants were on land at least 475 million years ago
- Fossilized spores and tissues have been extracted from 475-million-year-old rocks

Figure 29.6



**(a) Fossilized
spores**

**(b) Fossilized
sporophyte
tissue**



- Those ancestral species gave rise to a vast diversity (تنوع شاسع) of modern plants

Figure 29.7a

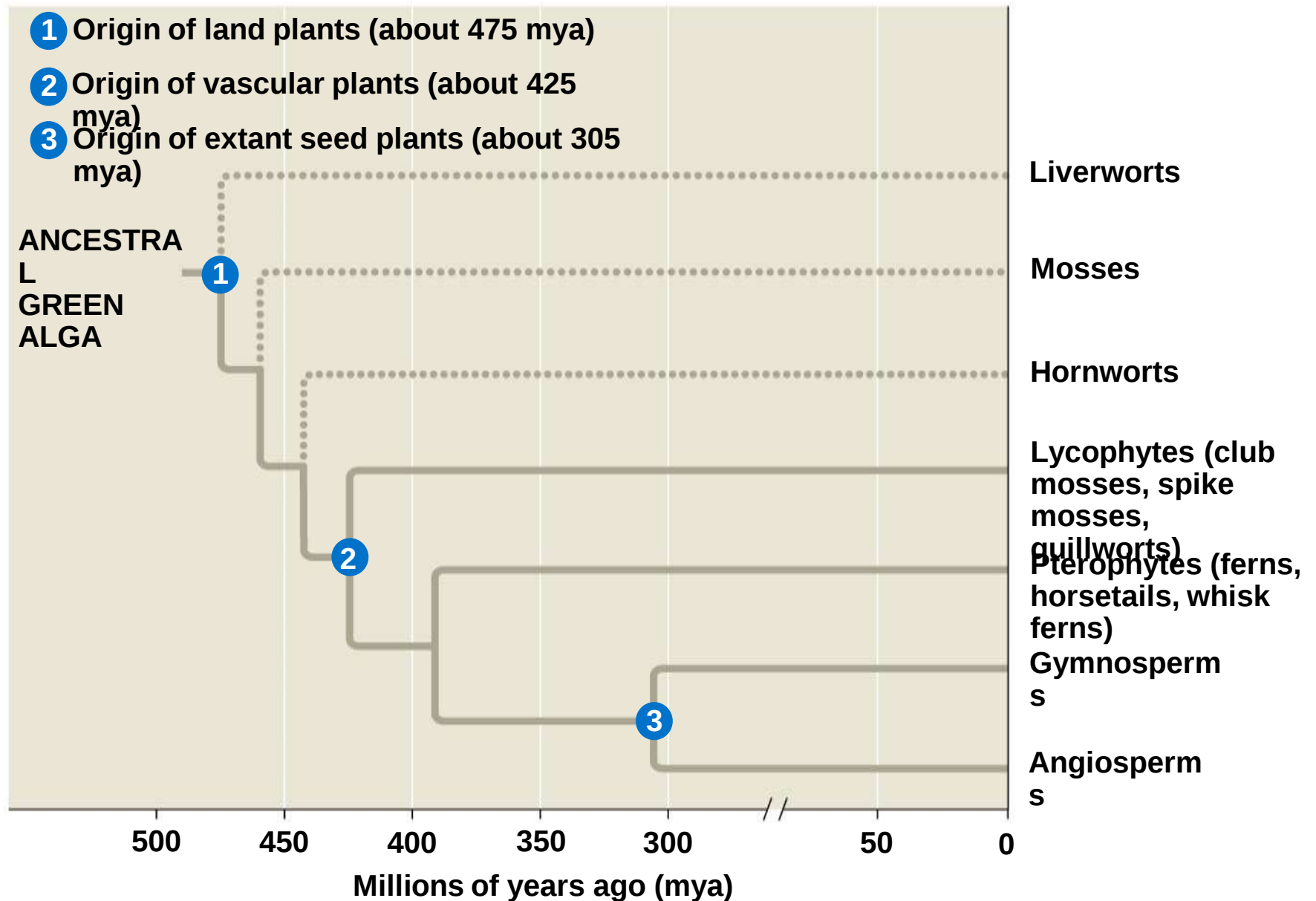
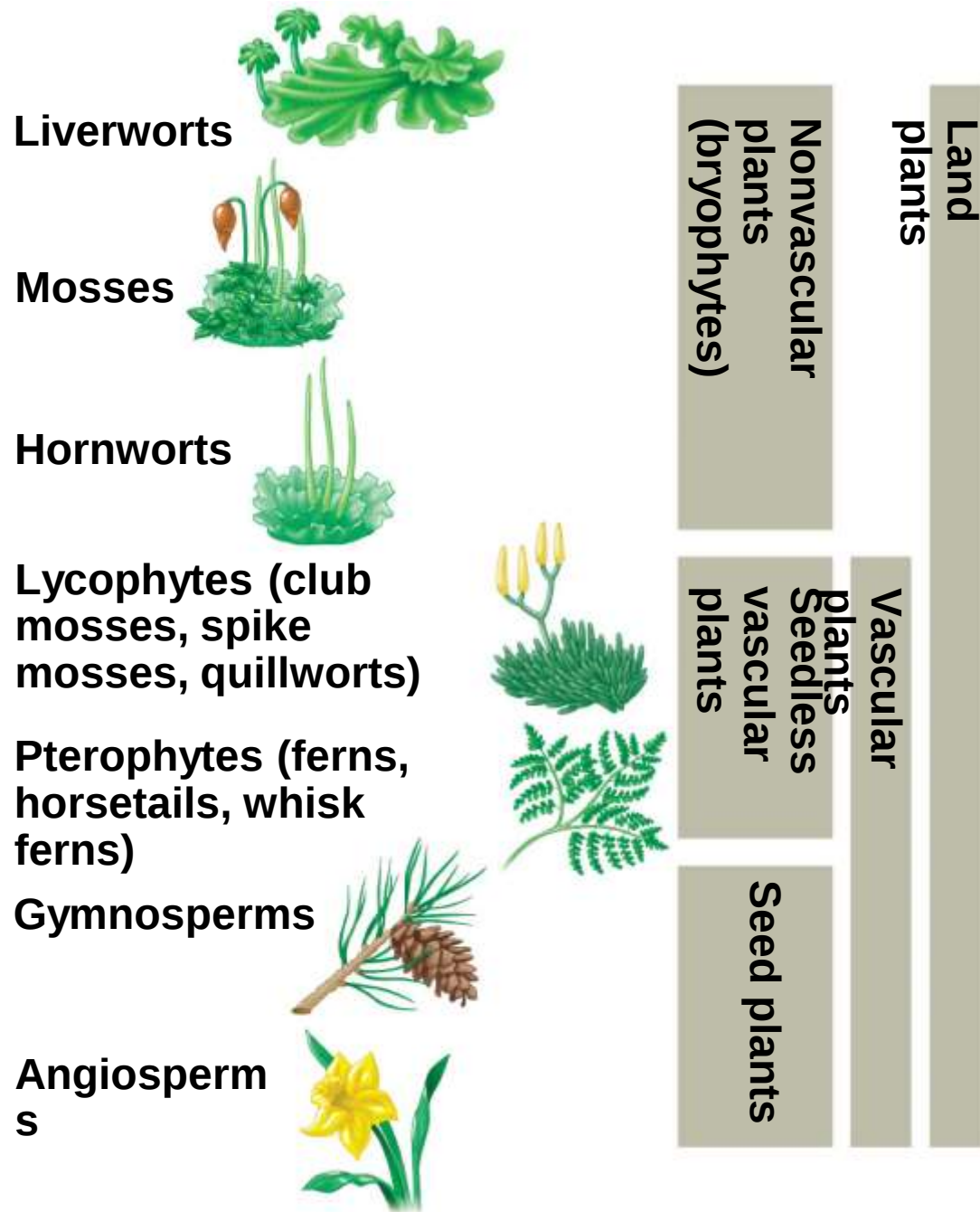


Figure 29.7b



- Land plants can be informally grouped based on the presence or absence of **vascular tissue**
- Most plants have vascular tissue; these constitute (تشكل) the **vascular plants**
- **Nonvascular plants** are commonly called **bryophytes**

- A **seed** is an embryo and nutrients surrounded by a protective coat
- Seed plants form a clade and can be divided into further clades
 - **Gymnosperms**, the “naked seed” plants, including the conifers(الصنوبريات)
 - **Angiosperms**, the flowering plants

Table 29. 1

Table 29.1 Ten Phyla of Extant Plants		
	Common Name	Number of Known Species
Nonvascular Plants (Bryophytes)		
Phylum Hepatophyta	Liverworts	9,000
Phylum Bryophyta	Mosses	15,000
Phylum Anthocerophyta	Hornworts	100
Vascular Plants		
<i>Seedless Vascular Plants</i>		
Phylum Lycophyta	Lycophytes	1,200
Phylum Pterophyta	Pterophytes	12,000
Seed Plants		
<i>Gymnosperms</i>		
Phylum Ginkgophyta	Ginkgo	1
Phylum Cycadophyta	Cycads	130
Phylum Gnetophyta	Gnetophytes	75
Phylum Coniferophyta	Conifers	600
<i>Angiosperms</i>		
Phylum Anthophyta	Flowering plants	250,000

Concept 29.2: Mosses and other nonvascular plants have life cycles dominated by gametophytes

- Bryophytes are represented today by three phyla of small herbaceous (nonwoody) plants
 - **Liverworts**, phylum Hepatophyta
 - **Hornworts**, phylum Anthocerotophyta
 - **Mosses**, phylum Bryophyta
- Bryophyte refers to all nonvascular plants

Bryophyte Gametophytes

- In all three bryophyte phyla, gametophytes are **larger and longer-living than sporophytes**
- Sporophytes are typically present only part of the time

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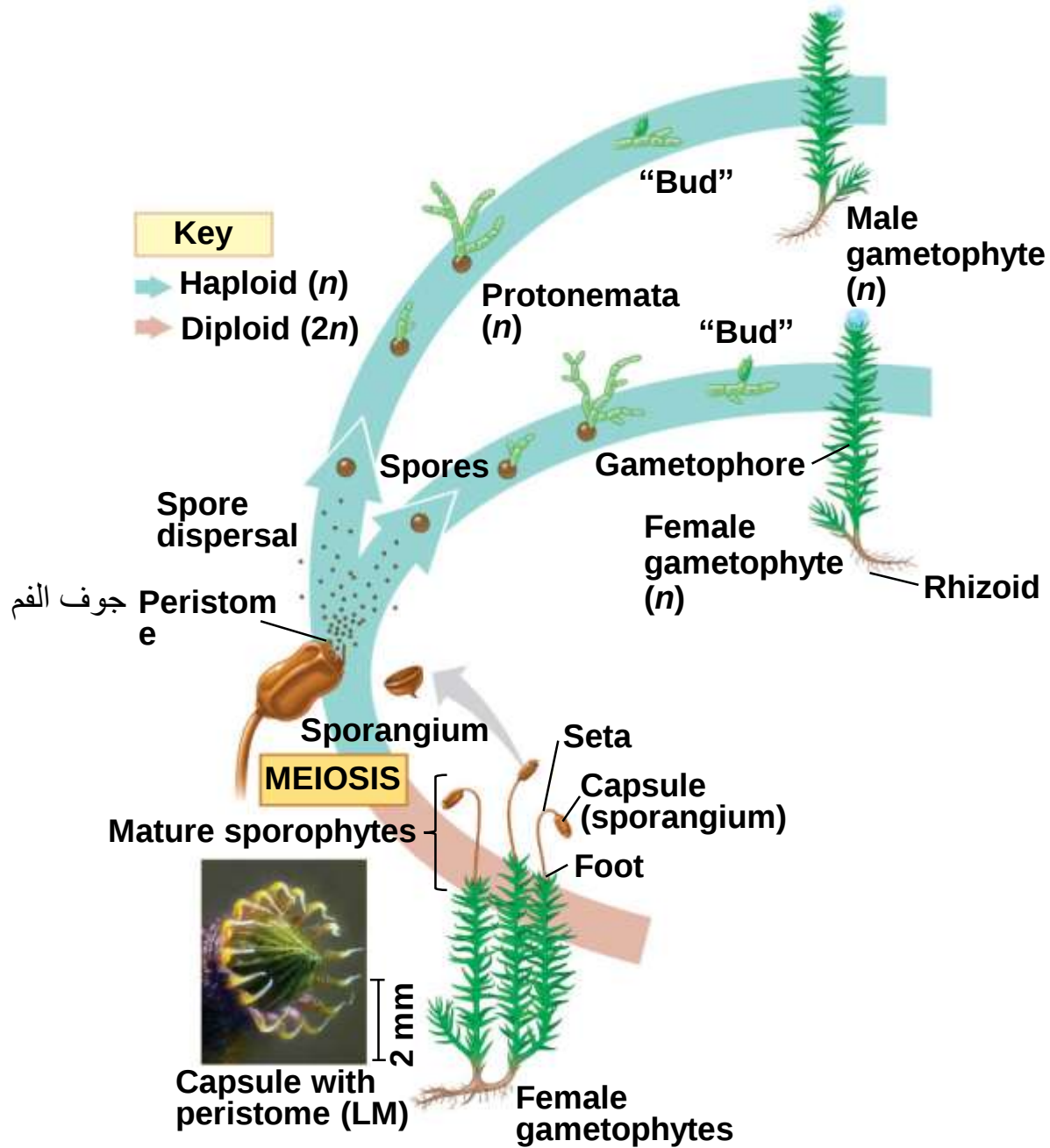


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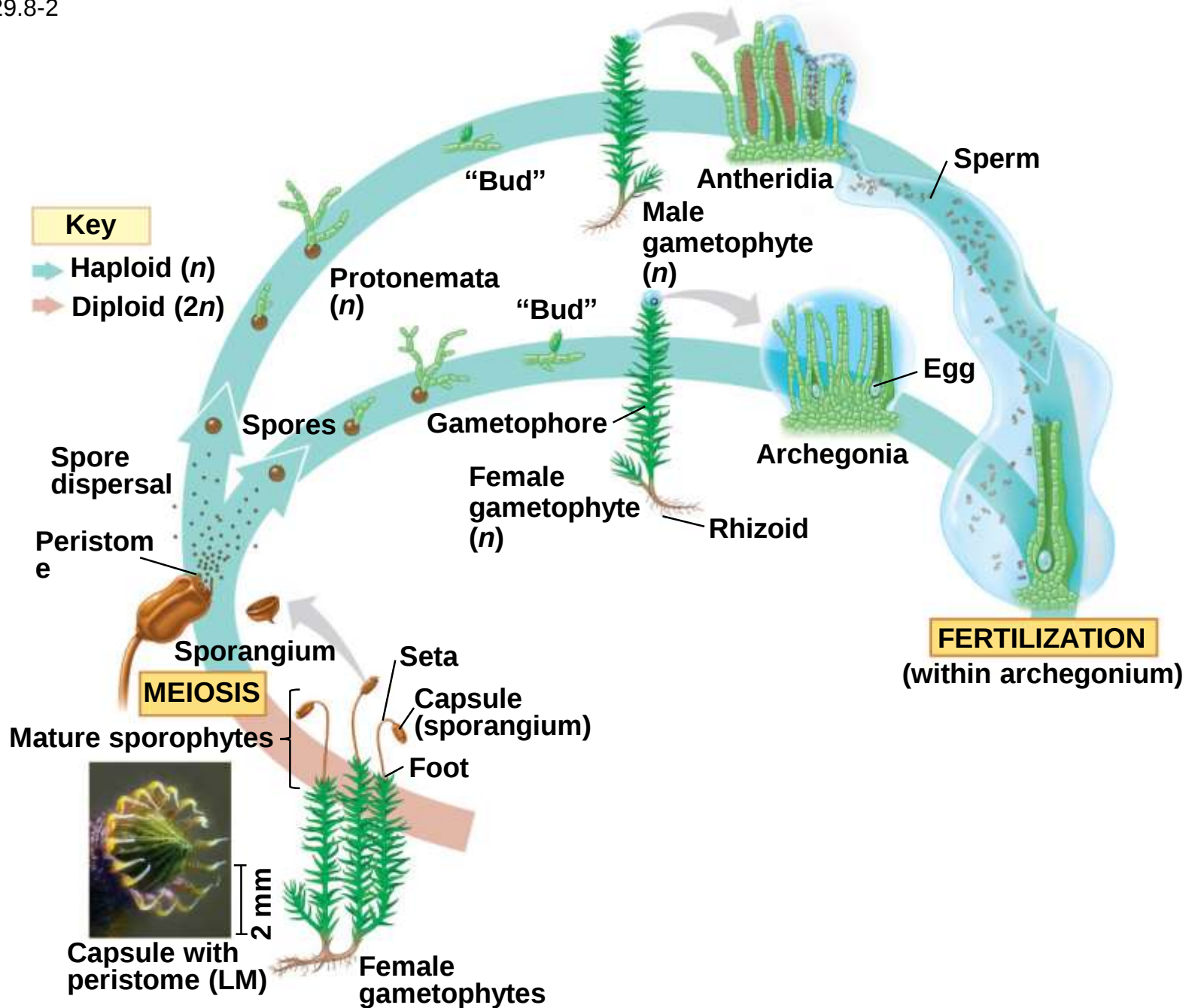
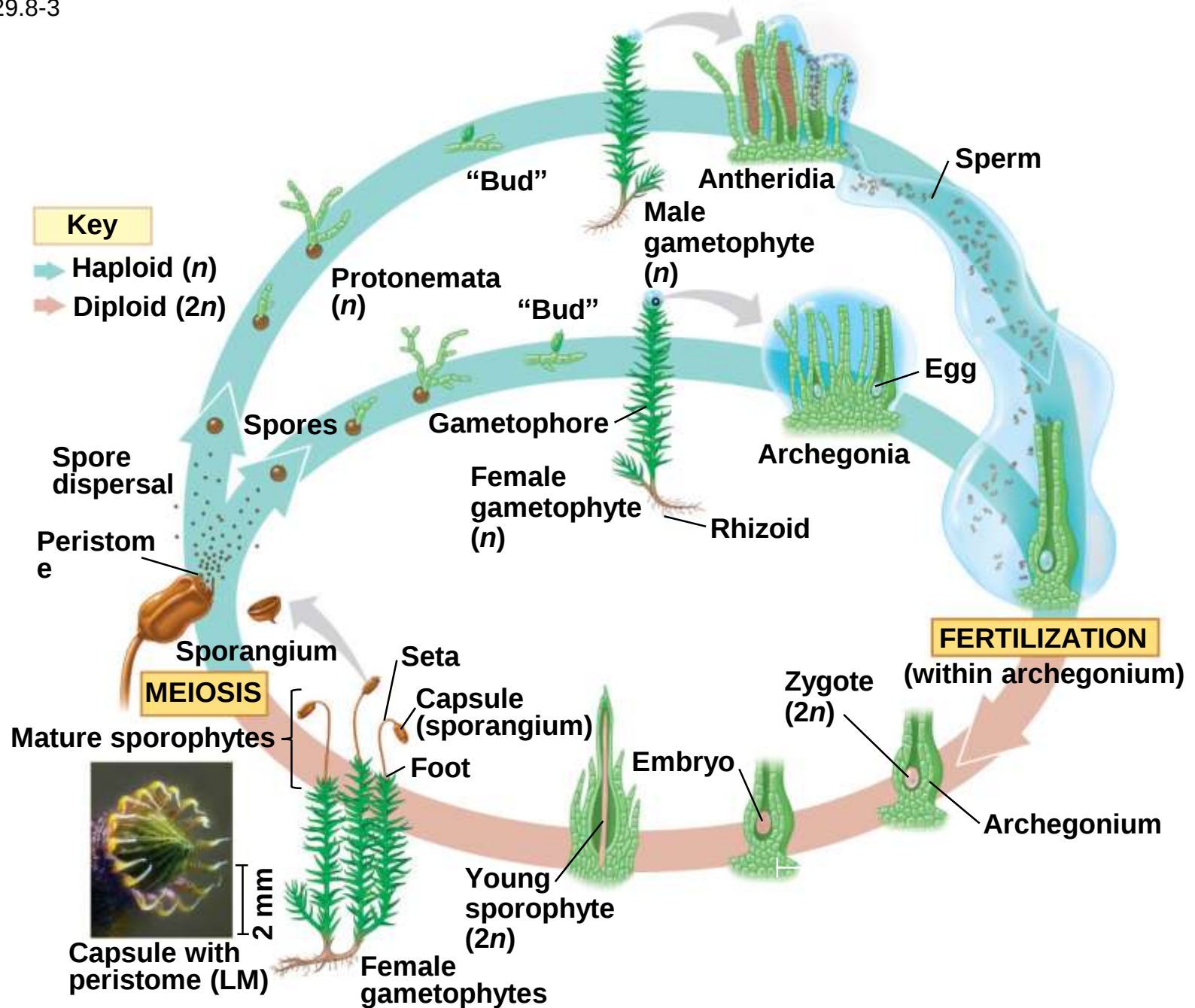


Figure 29.8-3



An *Anthoceros* hornwort (نباتات زهرقية) species

Sporophyte

Gametophyte



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Figure 29.9c



Polytrichum commune,
hairy-cap moss

Capsule

Set
a

Sporophyte
(a sturdy قوي)
plant that
takes
months
to grow)

Gametophyte

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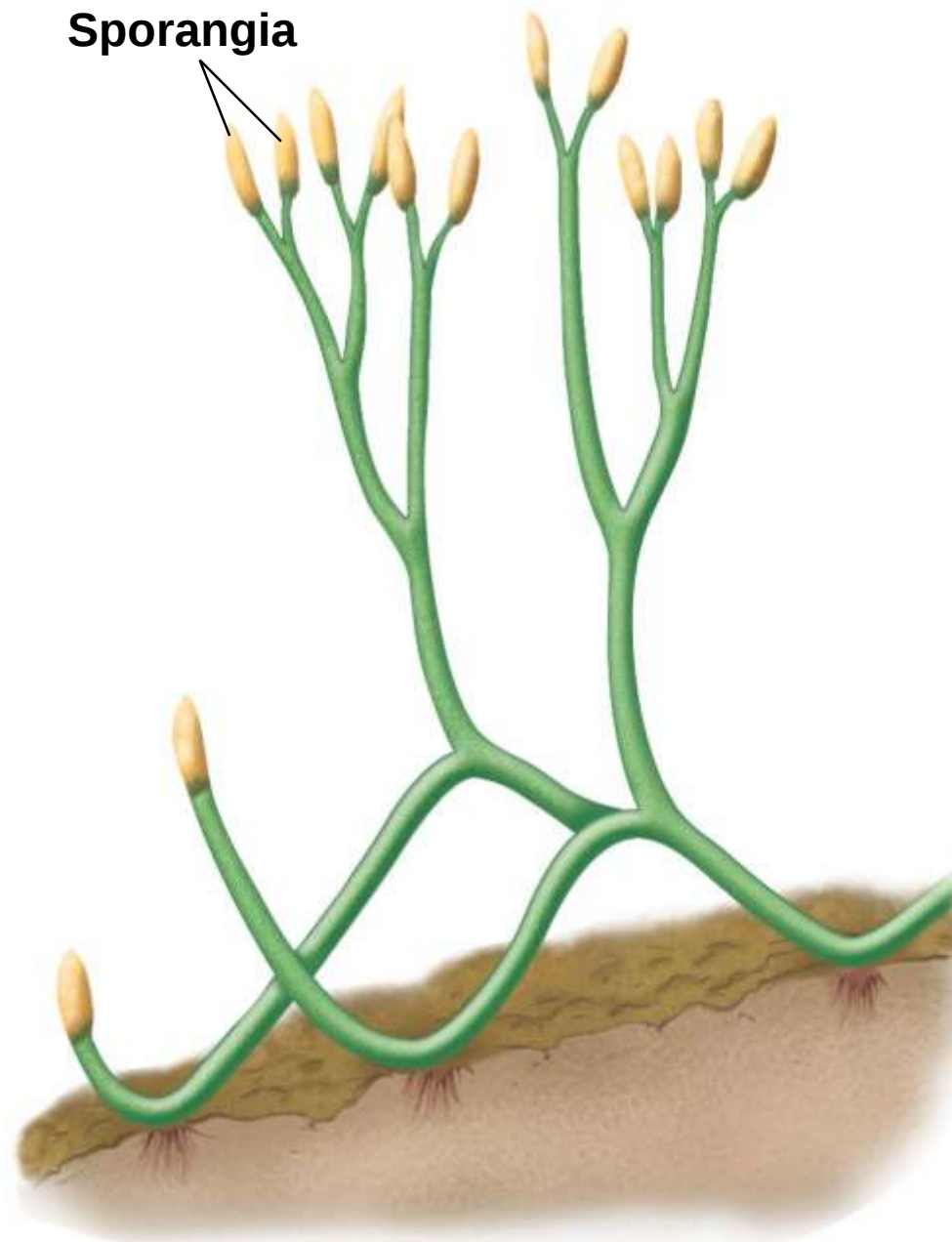
Concept 29.3: Ferns and other seedless vascular plants were the first plants to grow tall

- Bryophytes and bryophyte-like plants were the prevalent vegetation (الغطاء النباتي السائد) during the first 100 million years of plant evolution
- Vascular tissue allowed these plants to grow tall
- Seedless vascular plants have flagellated sperm and are usually restricted to moist environments (بيئات رطبة)

Origins and Traits of Vascular Plants

- Fossils of the forerunners of vascular plants date back about **425 million years**
- These early tiny plants had independent, branching sporophytes
- Living vascular plants are characterized by
 - Life cycles with dominant sporophytes
 - Vascular tissues called xylem and phloem
 - Well-developed roots and leaves

Figure 29.12



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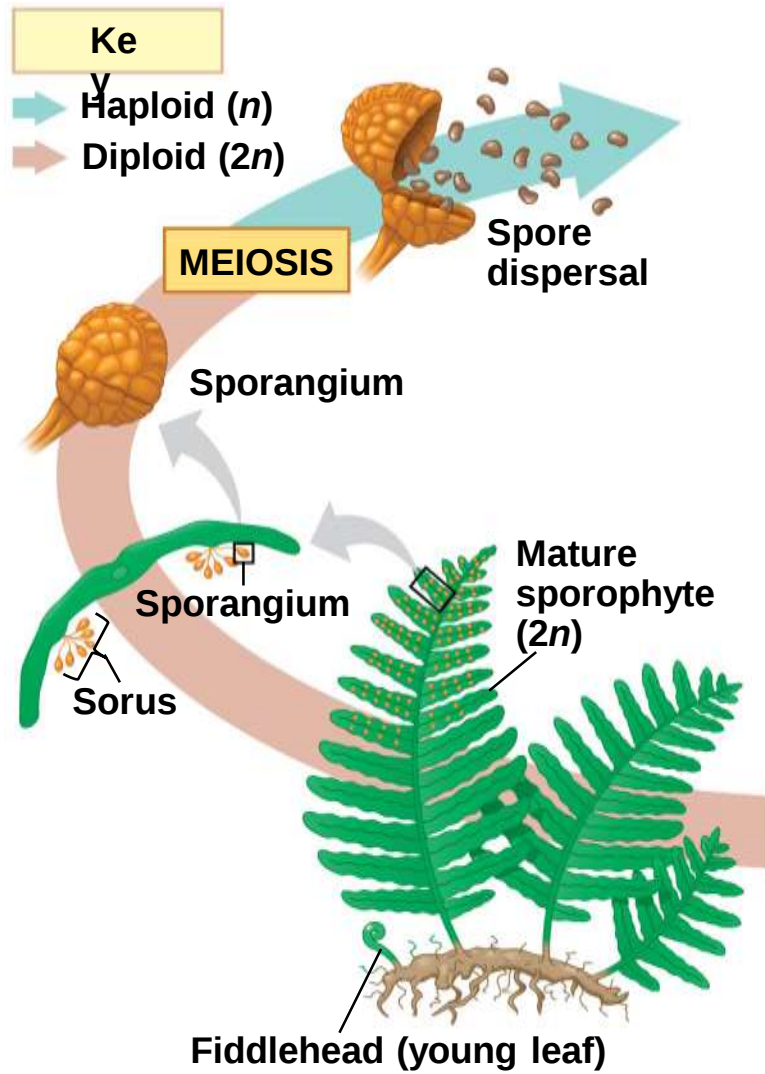
Life Cycles with Dominant Sporophytes

- In contrast with bryophytes, sporophytes of seedless vascular plants are the larger generation, as in familiar ferns
- The gametophytes are tiny plants that **grow on or below the soil surface**



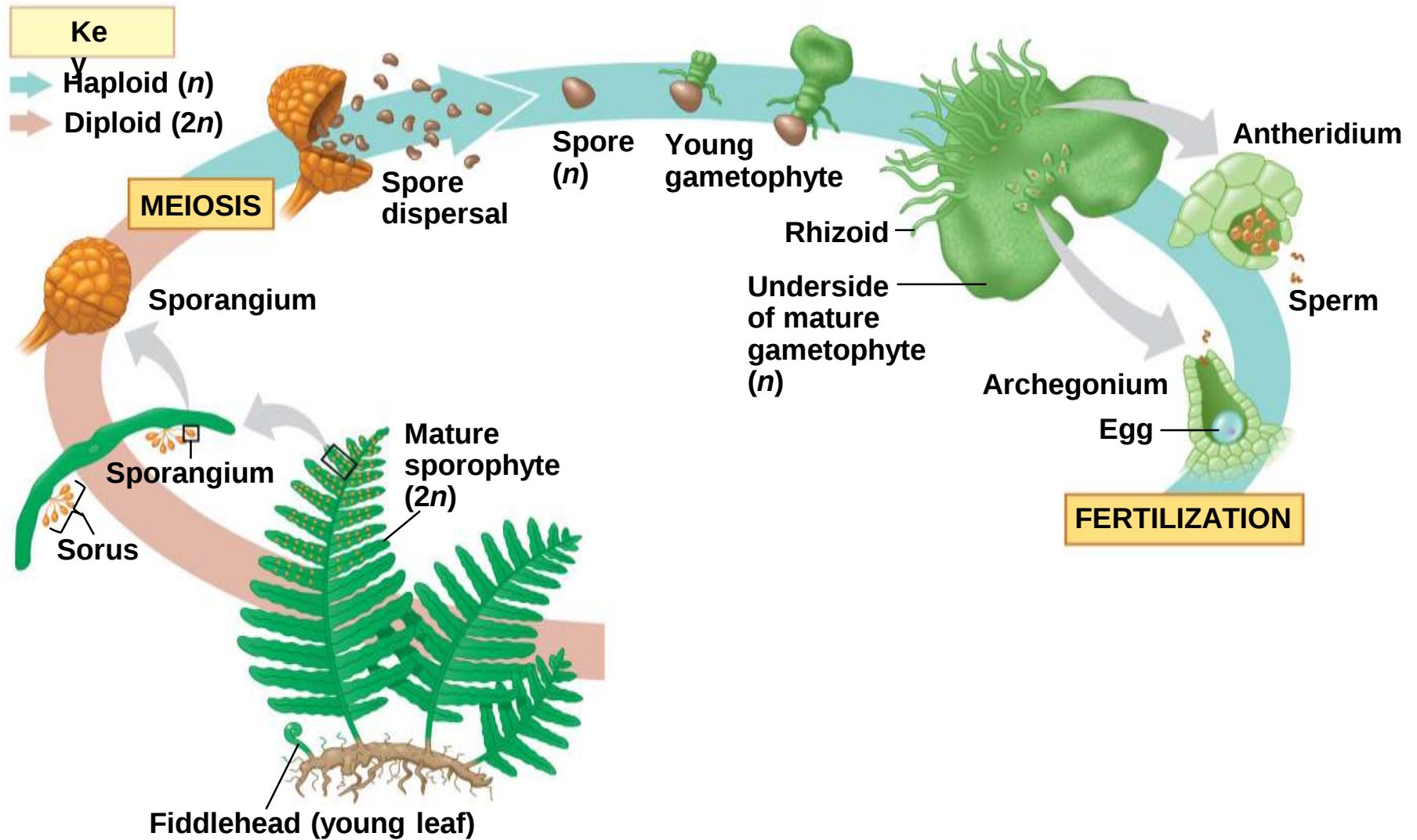
Animation: Fern Life Cycle

Figure 29.13-1



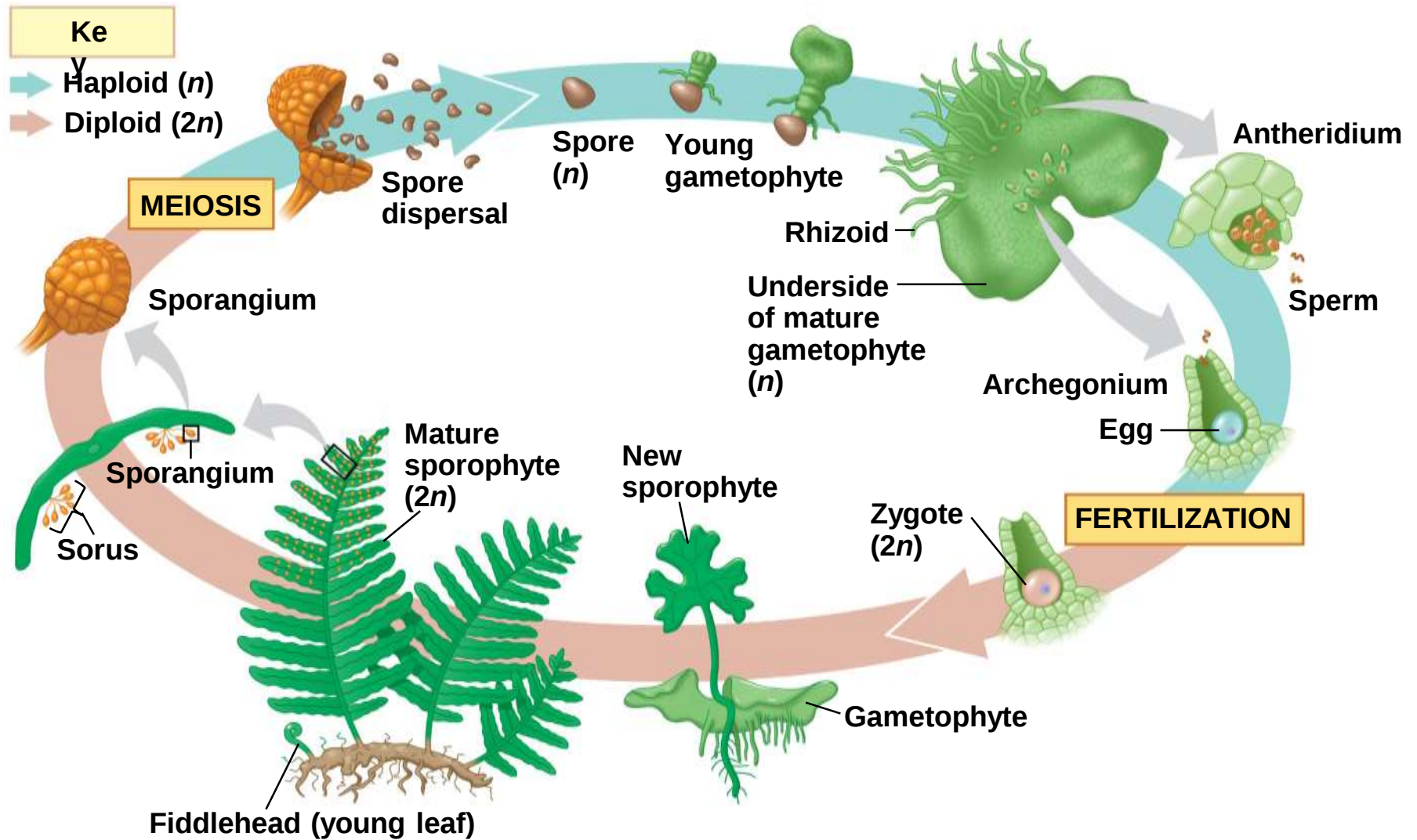
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Transport in Xylem and Phloem

- Vascular plants have two types of vascular tissue: xylem and phloem
- **Xylem** conducts most of the water and minerals and includes dead cells called **tracheids**
- Water-conducting cells are strengthened by **lignin** and provide structural support
- **Phloem** consists of living cells and distributes sugars, amino acids, and other organic products
- **Vascular tissue allowed for increased height, which provided an evolutionary advantage**

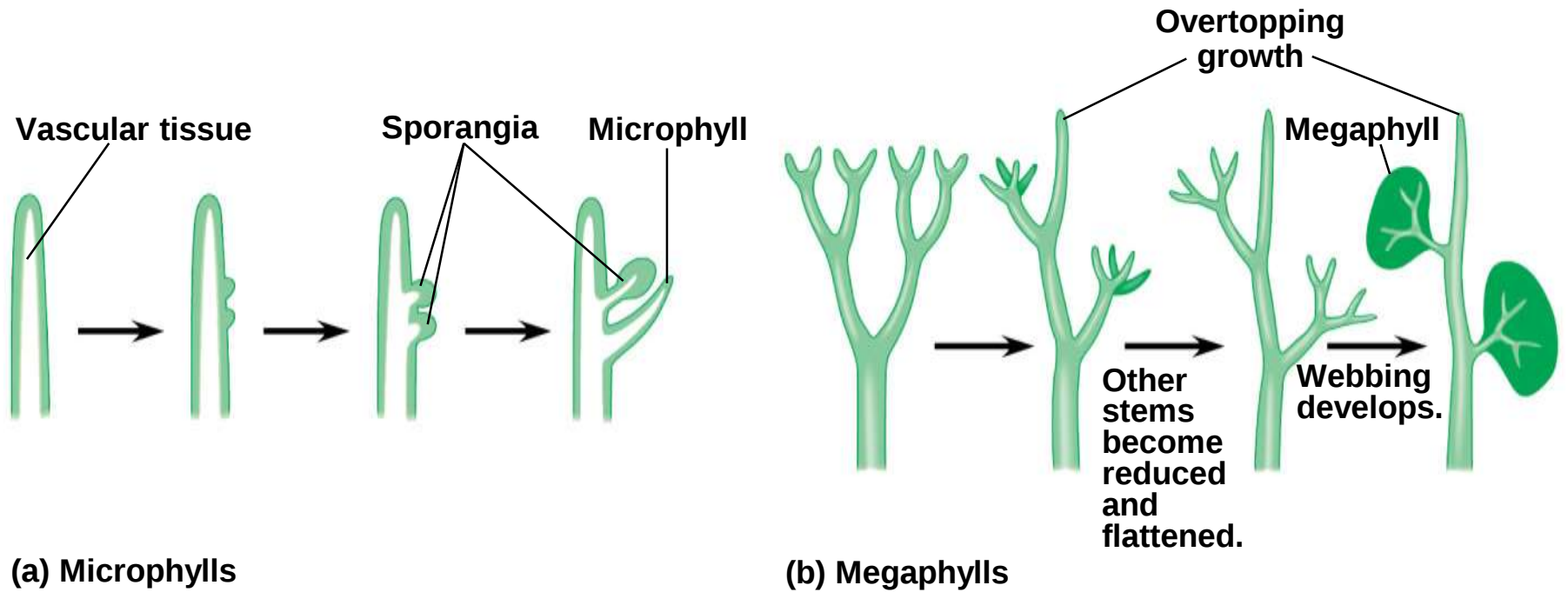
Evolution of Roots

- **Roots** are organs that **anchor** vascular plants
- They enable vascular plants to absorb water and nutrients from the soil

Evolution of Leaves

- **Leaves** are organs that **increase the surface area** of vascular plants, thereby capturing more solar energy that is used for photosynthesis
- Leaves are categorized by two types
 - **Microphylls**, leaves with a single vein
 - **Megaphylls**, leaves with a highly branched vascular system

Figure 29.14



(a) Microphylls

(b) Megaphylls

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- protection from predators (الحيوانات المفترسة)

secondary compounds

- protection from desiccation (الجفاف-التجفيف)

cuticle

- Transport of water, minerals, and nutrients

Tracheids and phloem

- Plant spores are produced directly by

Sporophytes.

- Bryophytes

Multicellularity.

Specialized cells and tissues.

Walled spores in sporangia.

A reduced, dependent sporophyte

- General characteristic of bryophytes

A cellulose cell wall.

Chlorophylls a and b.

Being photosynthetic autotrophs.

Being eukaryotic

- The life cycle of mosses

External water is required for fertilization.

Flagellated sperm are produced.

Antheridia and archegonia are produced by gametophytes.

The gametophyte generation is dominant