# PHYLOGENY OF RANALES

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## INTRODUCTION

- ▶ Bentham and Hooker included 8 families under order Ranales
- 1. Magnoliaceae
- 2. Annonaceae
- 3. Dilleniaceae
- 4. Calycanthaceae
- 5. Menispermaceae
- 6. Nymphaeaceae
- 7. Ranunculaceae
- 8. Berberidaceae
- Bessey, Hutchinson ,Takhtajan,Cronquist considered Ranales(Magnoliales) as the primitive most order
- Engler considered Ranales advanced and kept them in the middle of the Dicotyledons
- Hutchinson kept the woody members in Lignosae and herbaceous members in Herbaceae in 7 orders

#### CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ORDER

- Numerous Floral parts especially stamens and carpels
- Firal parts arranged in spiral, cyclic or hemicyclic manner
- Flowers hypogynous
- Several members pollinated by beetles(Cantherophilous)

# WINTERACEAE

- Trees or shrubs with alternate simple, entire, gland dotted, exstipulate leaves
- Flowers actinomorphic, bisexual, rarely polygamous, cymose or fascicled
- ▶ Sepals 2-6, free, valvate
- Petals 4-numerous, 1-3 seriate, imbricate
- > Stamens 15-nu,merous,2-5 seriate
- Gynoecium of 1-several carpels, free or partly or wholly connate
- ▶ 1-many ovules per locule on ventral or axile placentation
- Fruit of dehiscent follicles
- Seeds with copious endosperm
- Vessel less
- The family comprises 7 genera and 120 species
- Distributed in pacific, East Australian, Newzealand, Central and south America
- Example: *Drimys, Pseudowintera, Bubbia, Belliolum, Exospermum, Zygogynum* and *Tetrathalamus*

#### **MAGNOLIACEAE**

- Deciduous or evergreen,trees or shrubs
- Leaves alternate, simple, stipulate, gland dotted, stipules large, enclosing the young bud, early deciduous and leaving a circular scar
- Flowers terminal or axillary, usually solitary, bisexual, actinomorphic with deciduous spathaceous bract
- Perianth numerous, usually not differentiated, cyclic (trimerous) or spirally arranged
- Stamens numerous, spirally arranged
- Gynoecium of numerous carpels arranged spirally on an elongated torus
- Ovules 1-several on parietal placentation
- Fruit an etario of follicle, berries or samara
- Seeds with minute embryo and copious endosperm
- Beetle pollination(Cantharophilous)
- Family consist of 12 genera and 230 species
- Distributed in temperate and tropical East Asia and America
- Example: Magnolia, Michelia, Liriodendron, Kmeria
- Majority are ornamental(Magnolia, Michelia) and few timber yielding(Michelia, Liriodendron)

# **AUSTROBAILEYACEAE**

- Climbing shrubs
- Leaves opposite, entire, stipules small
- Flowers solitary, axillary, hypogynous, unpleasently scented
- Perianth of numerous segments, free, imbricate
- Stamens 12-25, petaloid
- Gynoecium of 8 carpels, ovules 8-14 per carpel
- Consist of only one genus *Austrobaileya* and 2 species occuring in Queensland

## ILLICICEAE

- Shrubs or small trees
- Leaves simple, alternate, entire, exstipulate
- ▶ Flowers bisexual,actinomorphic,hypogynous,solitary,axillary
- Perianth 7-numerous, multiseriate, imbricate
- Stamens 4-numerous,1-many seriate
- Gynoecium of 5-20 carpels,1-seriate,with one ventral sub-basal ovule in each carpel
- Fruit a ring of spreading follicles
- Seeds with minute embryo and copious endosperm
- Consist of only 1 genus *Illicium* and 42 species
- Distributed in South East Asia, North America and West Indies

#### **SCHISANDRACEAE**

- Climbing shrubs
- Leaves simple, alternate, exstipulate, sometimes gland-dotted
- Flowers actinomorphic, hypogynous, unisexual, monoecious or dioecious, solitary, axillary
- Perianth 9-15, spiral, imbricate
- Stamens 4-numerous, filaments partially connate or wholly united into a fleshy globose mass
- Gynoecium of 12-numerous carpels on an elongated torus, with 2-5 ovules per locule
- Fruit an aggregate of drupe-like carpels
- Seeds with copious endosperm
- ▶ Two genera *Schisandra* and *Kadsura* and 47 species
- Distributed in East Asia, Western Malaysia and South Eastern United States

#### ANNONACEAE

- Trees or shrubs
- Leaves simple, alternate, exstipulate, entire
- Flowers solitary, actinomorphic, bisexual, hypogynous
- Perianth in three whorls of 3 each, outer whorl sepaloid, valvate
- Petals fleshy
- Stamens numerous, spirally arranged, with enlarged connective
- Gynoecium of numerous carpels, apocarpous or syncarpous
- Fruit an etario of berries or aggregate fruit
- Seeds large, endospermic
- Endosperm ruminate
- ▶ Family consist of 120 genera and 2100 species
- Distributed chiefly in old world tropics
- Example: Annona, Artobotrys, Polyalthia, Miliusa
- Annona Artobotrus are important edible fruits

#### RANUNCULACEAE

- Perennial rhizomatous herbs
- Leaves exstipulate, simple or compound
- Flowers bisexual, actinomorphic or zygomorphic, solitary or in cymose inflorescence, hypogynous
- Floral parts on a well developed convex thalamus
- Perianth usually petaloid,rarely differentiated into sepals and petals,nectariferous glands usually present
- Stamens usually many, spirally arranged
- Gynoecium of numerous carpels, usually free
- Ovary superior, ovules 1-many on parietal placentation
- Fruit a group of follicles, achenes or berries
- Seeds with small embryo and copious endosperm
- Family consist of 50 genera and 1900 species
- Distributed in North Temperate zone
- Example: Ranunculus, Delphinium, Anemone, Clematis, Naravelia and Aquilegia
- Aconitum yield alkaloid Aconitin, Anemone yields the medicine Pulsatilla of Homeopathy Ranunculus Delphinium, Anemone and Aquilegia grown as ornamentals

#### **MENISPERMACEAE**

- Mostly twining shrubs, herbs or trees
- Leaves simple, exstipulate, entire or occasionally palmately lobed, palmately veined
- ▶ Flowers unisexual, dioecious, actinomorphic
- Sepals mostly 6, bimerous
- Petals 6, bimerous, free
- Stamens usually 6, or numerous
- Gynoecium of 3-6 carpels, ovary superior, placentation parietal
- Fruit drupe or achene
- Seeds with or without fleshy endosperm
- Family consist of 65 genera and 350 species
- Distributed throughout the paleotropic regions
- Example: *Menispermum*, *Cocculus*, *Tinospora*, *Cissampelos*

### BERBERIDACEAE

- Perennial herbs or shrubs
- Leaves alternate, usually spiny, simple or pinnately compound, exstipulate
- Flowers bisexual,actinomorphic,hypogynous
- Perianth in four whorls of 3 each, outer two whorls of sepals and inner two whorls of petals
- Stamens 4-18, distinct, generally in 2 whorls, those of the outer whorl opposite the petals
- Ovary superior, 1-carpelled with 1 or several basal ovules
- Fruit usually a berry
- Seed with a small embryo and copious endosperm
- ▶ Family consist of 4 genera ,575 species
- Distributed in North temperate regions and tropical mountains of South America
- Example: Berberis, Mahonia, Epimedium and Vancouveria

#### **NYMPHAEACEAE**

- Perennial or annual aquatic herbs
- Stem rhizomatous, short, stout and erect or creeping
- Leaves simple, usually large and peltate, long petioled, floating or emergent, sometimes dimorphic
- Flowers large, solitary, long peduncled, bisexual, actinomorphic, hypogynous or peri or epigynous
- Perianth segments many, free, spirally arranged, gradually passing from sepals to petals and from petals to stamens
- Stamens numerous
- Ovary of many carpels, apocarpous or syncarpous
- Fruit follicle or an aggregate of indehiscent nutlets or a berry
- Bentham and Hooker divided Nymphaeaceae into 3 subfamilies: Cabomboideae, Nelumboideae and Nymphoideae
- Bessey treated each as a distinct family and placed Cabomboideae and Nelumboideae in the Ranales and removed the Nymphaeaceae to the Rhoedales
- Takhtajan and Cronquist recognised them as three independent families
- Economically the family is important as ornamentals

## **CALYCANTHACEAE**

- Aromatic shrubs
- Leaves opposite, simple, exstipulate, entire
- Flowers solitary, bisexual actinomorphic, perigynous
- Perianth lobes numerous, spirally arranged, with a gradual transition from sepals to petals
- ▶ Stamens 5-30, the inner ones sterile
- Ovary of 20 carpels, borne on inside of the receptacle with 1-2 ovules in each locule
- Fruit an achene
- Seeds with large embryo and no endosperm
- Family consist of 2 genera and 6 species
- Distributed in East Asia and North America
- **Example:** *Calycanthus, Chimonanthus*