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A Newsletter About Mesozoic Fishes

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Mesozoic Fishes (2001) – Systematics and Evolution of Paleoenvironments



Dear Colleagues:

I am pleased to inform you that we had three offers as potential hosts of the Mesozoic Fishes meeting: Institute of Vertebrate Paleontology and Paleocology, Beijing (Mee-mann Chang and Zhu Min), Hessischen Landesmuseums, Darmstadt (Norbert Micklich), and Serpiano, Switzerland (Andrea Tintori, Markus Felber, and Toni Bürgin). Our warmest thanks to the three hosts and potential organizers for their offers and their interest in holding the meeting.



Andy Neuman of the Royal Tyrrell Museum of Palaeontology, Drumheller, Alberta, Canada.

For the next Mesozoic Fishes meeting, the participants voted for Serpiano as their first choice. However, I must say that most colleagues wrote that China would also be an ideal place, except that the travel costs and other expenses are too high for many of our participants. In addition, the majority preferred the year 2001 for the next meeting instead of 2000. Also, the majority of participants want to keep the meeting with the orientation of the last two meetings: concentrated on the Mesozoic, with contributions including comparative studies or phylogenetic analyses of a broader age range.

The next meeting will be organized by Andrea Tintori and Markus Felber from Italy, and Toni Bürgin from Switzerland. It will be dedicated to Systematics and Paleoenvironments. Soon, the organizers will send the first circular to potential participants.

Thanks again to all colleagues who are interested in the Mesozoic Fishes meetings.

Sincerely,
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Mesozoic Fish Tales:

News from Readers

New Members:

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Interests: My research interests are as follows: I am undertaking a Ph.D. looking at the ecology of Jurassic marine ecosystems, specifically focusing on food web structure. At the moment I am concentrating on the Kimmeridge Clay but I will be extending my study, hopefully to take in most (or even all!) of the Jurassic. I will examine the changes in the structure of the food webs over geological time. My studies will cover a wide range of taxa, from pliosaurs right down to microplankton. There is obviously a large (and diverse) fish component to the ecosystem and I am interested in most aspects of them, especially ecology, functional morphology and lifestyle. I will be integrating research on fish palaeoecology with research on other taxonomic groups to build a picture of the entire ecosystem.

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Interests: My research interests include evolution of fishes, systematics, and fish behavior. I am currently working on two projects: 1) mate selection in guppies, and, 2) a Pennsylvanian fish assemblage.



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New design for the web site:

The Mesozoic Fishes Home Page is currently being revised in appearance. Look for the changes to appear some time this summer.

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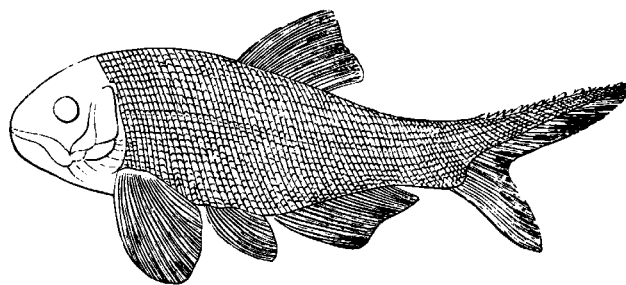
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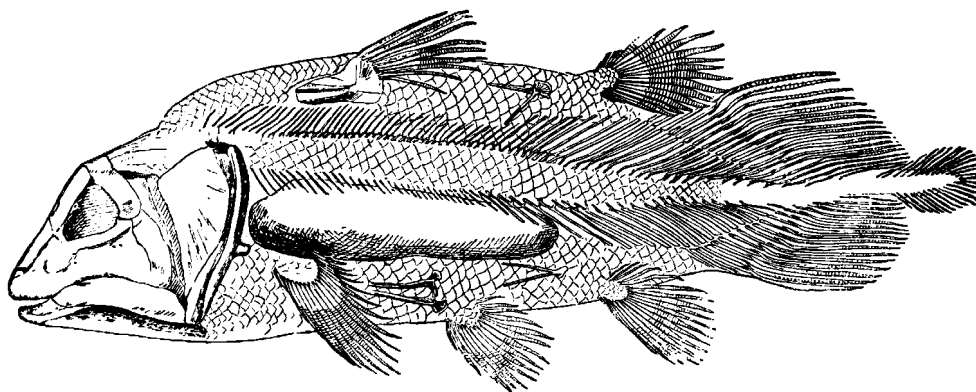
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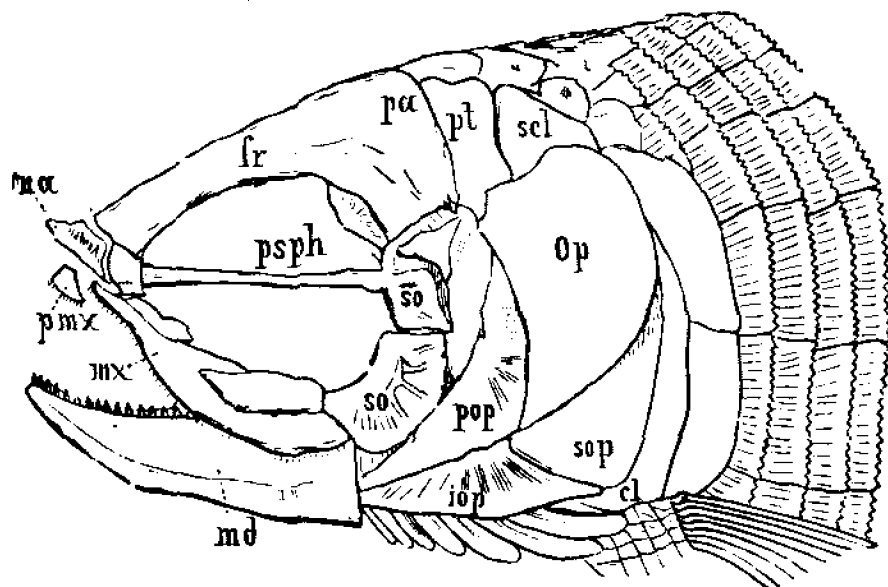
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