

Laboratory 14: Rosidae – Part 2

Today we will continue looking at the Rosid clade. The families in today's lab are all members of the Eurosoid I clade; next time we will finish looking at Eurosoid I as well as Eurosoid II. This orders and families we are looking at today are: Oxalidales (Oxalidaceae); Malpighiales (Euphorbiaceae, Passifloraceae, Violaceae, Salicaceae); Fabales (Fabaceae, Polygalaceae); Rosales (Rosaceae, Urticaceae, Moraceae, Rhamnaceae, Ulmaceae). Many groups we will see today have a hypanthium, which is a putative synapomorphy for the Rosales clade.

Oxalidaceae – 6 genera, 880 spp., widespread, mostly tropical

Usually herbaceous; leaves alternate and **trifoliate** or pinnately lobed; stipules lacking; flowers perfect and regular; 5 free sepals; 5 petals, free or fused just at the base; **10 stamens arranged in two whorls, often of different heights**; ovary superior composed of five (generally connate) carpels; typically five styles, free from one another; fruit a capsule; **commonly contain oxalic acid (responsible for sour taste of some species)**; *Averrhoa carambola* is the edible "Star fruit" or "Carambola".

Oxalis

Euphorbiaceae – 320 genera, ~6100 spp., widespread, mostly tropical

Various growth forms (herbs, shrubs, vines, cactus-like succulents), leaves usually simple, generally alternate; stipules present; **paired extrafloral nectaries often present on leaves or petiole**; **milky latex** often present (commonly poisonous); **flowers unisexual** (monoecious or dioecious) and often reduced; some with a **cyathium** (a highly condensed inflorescence) as in the genus *Euphorbia*; sepals typically five [2-6] but may also be absent in some representatives; **petals absent in many representatives**; stamens variable in number (1-numerous); ovary superior, composed of **three fused carpels**; **typically three styles, each of which is usually forked**; nectar disk usually present; fruit generally a capsule.

Euphorbia

Ricinus

Passifloraceae – 18 genera, ~625 spp., mostly tropical and warm temperate

Vines; leaves alternate, simple to lobed, **tendrils (derived from sterile pedicels) present**; stipules deciduous; flowers bisexual, radial; hypanthium present with basal nectar disk; **sepals 5, petal-like**, distinct or fused at the base; petals 5 (sometimes 0), free or fused at the base; **stamens generally 5, often borne on a stalk with gynoeceum**; flowers with an elaborately lobed **corona** located between the petals and the stamens; ovary superior composed of 3-5 fused carpels but ovary with only a single locule; **stigmas 3, often lobed**; fruit either a capsule or a berry.

Passiflora

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Violaceae – 22 genera, 950 spp., mostly northern temperate

Herbs or shrubs (very few trees and vines); stipules present; leaves simple and generally alternate; flowers slightly bilateral or, in *Viola*, fully bilateral; bisexual; 5 distinct sepals; 5 distinct petals; **stamens generally 5, filaments short, fused (or appearing so) to form a ring around the gynoecium**; nectaries often present (as in a **spur**); ovary superior composed of three fused carpels; **style 1, curved, distally expanded**; ovary with a single locule containing numerous ovules; fruit type variable.

Viola

Salicaceae – 58 genera, ~1200 spp., mostly northern temperate

May be either trees or shrubs, deciduous; stipules present; leaves simple, alternate, **serrate to dentate with salicoid teeth (vein expands at tooth apex ending in a spherical gland)**; **flowers unisexual (dioecious), arranged in catkins that are subtended by bract(lets)** often not appearing at same time as leaves; **sepals 3-8, much reduced; corolla typically lacking**; stamens 2-30; ovary superior, unilocular; composed of two fused carpels; style is typically divided; fruit is a capsule.

Salix

Fabaceae (Leguminosae) - ~625 genera, ~18,000 spp., worldwide distribution

Herbs, shrubs and trees; leaves typically alternate, pinnately compound (but there are many exceptions); stipules present but variable in structure, sometimes spiny; ovary superior, composed of a single carpel; flowers: may be regular or irregular, bisexual or unisexual (depends on the subfamily); sepals generally 5, ± fused; petals 5; in some members there is a banner, two wings and a keel (derived from two fused petals); stamens generally 10 but number varies, sometimes the filaments are partially fused; ovary superior, a single carpel; fruit a legume (a dry fruit that derived from a single carpel that opens along 2 longitudinal sutures). See p. 262-264 in Simpson for features of the three subfamilies.

Acacia

Lupinus

Cercis

Vicia

Calliandra

Clanthus

Indigo

Cassia

Rosaceae – 85 genera, ~3000 spp., worldwide distribution

Herbs, shrubs, or trees, deciduous or evergreen, **often with thorns or prickles**; leaves generally alternate, simple or compound; stipules generally present; flowers regular, bisexual, **often large and showy**; sepals 5, often with an **epicalyx**; petals 5 (rarely zero); **stamens many** (2x - 3x the basic number of petals); gynoecium composed of many free carpels, ovary position is variable but there is typically a **hypanthium**; fruit variable.

Rosa

Fragaria

Malus

Chaenomeles

Kageneckia

Urticaceae – 40 genera, ~900 spp., worldwide distribution

Mostly herbs or small shrubs, **sometimes with stinging hairs**; leaves simple, either alternate or opposite, stems commonly square; stipules usually present; flowers tiny, unisexual, monoecious or dioecious, inflorescences axillary; perianth reduced, composed of between three to five segments; stamens 4-5; ovary superior, composed of a single carpel; stigmas 1 or 2, extending along adaxial side of style; fruit an achene in a persistent perianth

Urtica

Moraceae – 53 genera, ~1500 spp., mostly tropical, but worldwide

Trees and shrubs, **milky sap or latex present in all tissue**; leaves simple, may be alternate or opposite; stipules present, leaving a circular scar on twig, **many with conical stipules covering apical bud**; inflorescence axillary, flowers densely packed on thickened axis; flowers tiny, unisexual, monoecious, radial; perianth composed of 4-5 tepals; stamens 1-5, opposite tepals, with explosive pollen release; ovary superior or inferior; 2 carpels, one ovule, 2 styles; fruit usually fleshy, drupelike achenes (**often aggregated into multiple fruits**).

Ficus

Morus

Rhamnaceae – 45 genera, ~850 spp, worldwide distribution

Woody trees and shrubs, often with thorns; leaves simple, leaf insertion is variable; tertiary leaf veins ladder-like, often strongly depressed into a \pm convex leaf surface; stipules present (often spinose); flower: regular and usually bisexual, **typically small with a hypanthium**; sepals 4-5, fused at least at base; petals 4-5 (sometimes zero), **partly incurved as to cover the stamens**; stamens 4-5, **opposite the petals and adnate to the base of the petals**; ovary superior to inferior, 2-3 locules, single style may be divided; fruit drupe or nut.

Rhamnus

Ceanothus

Ulmaceae – 6 genera, 40 spp., mostly northern temperate

Trees; leaves simple, alternate, **simply or doubly serrate and usually with asymmetric bases**; stipules present; branches growing laterally then becoming erect; flowers bisexual or unisexual (dioecious or monoecious), reduced, but with hypanthium; perianth reduced to a series of tepals, 4-9 in number; stamens 4-9, explosive pollen release; ovary superior, **two fused carpels, two styles present with stigmas on adaxial side**; fruit a samara (winged) or a nut.

Ulmus

Polygalaceae – 17 genera, ~850 spp., temperate and tropical

Herbs, shrubs, trees, or vines, leaves alternate, simple, entire, venation pinnate; stipules lacking or spines present; inflorescence a panicle or raceme; **flowers bisexual and bilateral**; sepals 5, often with 2 fused, and two larger and petal-like; **petals usually 3 (5), adnate to staminal tube**; stamens typically 8, anthers usually opening by apical pores; **style often with one fertile and one sterile branch, the sterile one ending in a tuft of hairs**; fruit various.

Monnina

OXALIDACEAE. OXALIS FAMILY

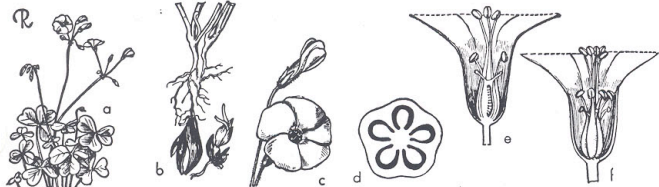


Fig. 168. OXALIDACEAE. *Oxalis Bowiei*: a, flowering plant, $\times \frac{1}{8}$; b, stems showing subterranean bulbs, $\times \frac{1}{4}$; c, flower and bud, $\times \frac{1}{2}$; d, ovary, cross-section, $\times 10$; e, flower, vertical section, $\times 2$; f, flower, perianth removed, $\times 2$. (From L. H. Bailey, *Manual of cultivated plants*, The Macmillan Company, 1949. Copyright 1924 and 1949 by Liberty H. Bailey.)

EUPHORBIACEAE.¹²³ SPURGE FAMILY

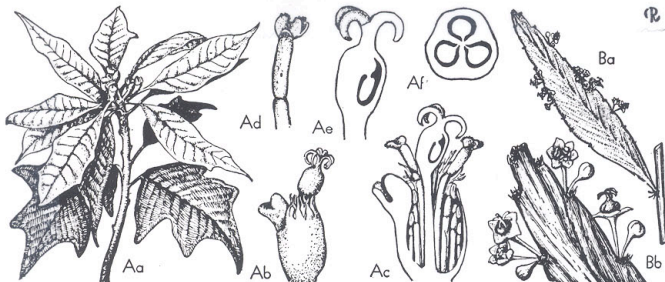


Fig. 181. EUPHORBIACEAE. A, *Euphorbia pulcherrima*: Aa, flowering branch, $\times \frac{1}{4}$; Ab, cyathium, $\times 1$; Ac, same, vertical section, $\times 2$; Ad, staminate flower, $\times 6$; Ae, pistillate flower, vertical section, $\times 3$; Af, ovary, cross-section, $\times 5$. B, *Xylophylla angustifolia*: Ba, stem bearing flowering phyllodium, $\times \frac{1}{2}$; Bb, phyllodium tip with inflorescences, $\times 2$. (From L. H. Bailey, *Manual of cultivated plants*, The Macmillan Company, 1949. Copyright 1924 and 1949 by Liberty H. Bailey.)

PASSIFLORACEAE.¹⁵⁷ PASSION-FLOWER FAMILY

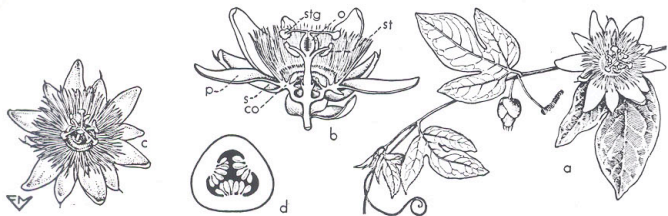


Fig. 225. PASSIFLORACEAE. *Passiflora caerulea*: a, flowering branch, $\times \frac{1}{6}$; b, flower, vertical section, $\times \frac{1}{3}$ (co corona, o ovary, p petal, s sepal, st stamen, sig stigma); c, flower, face view, $\times \frac{1}{4}$; d, ovary, cross-section, $\times 2$. (From L. H. Bailey, *Manual of cultivated plants*, The Macmillan Company, 1949. Copyright 1924 and 1949 by Liberty H. Bailey.)

VIOLACEAE.¹⁵⁴ VIOLET FAMILY

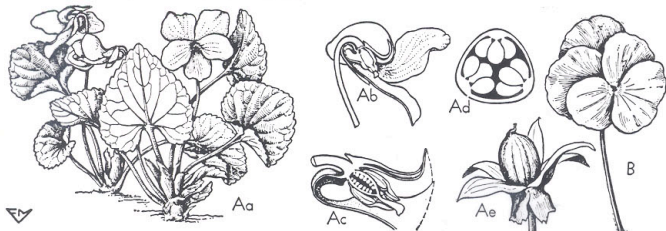


Fig. 221. VIOLACEAE. A, *Viola papilionacea*: Aa, flowering plant; Ab, flower, perianth partially removed, $\times 1$; Ac, flower, vertical section, $\times 2$; Ad, ovary, cross-section, $\times 4$; e, capsule, $\times 1$. (From L. H. Bailey, *Manual of cultivated plants*, The Macmillan Company, 1949. Copyright 1924 and 1949 by Liberty H. Bailey.)

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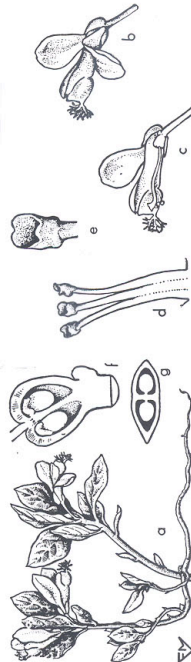


Fig. 180. POLYGALACEAE. *Polygala pauciflora*: a, flowering plant, $\times \frac{1}{4}$; b, flower, $\times 1$; c, same, vertical section, $\times 1$; d, anther, $\times 5$; e, ovary, vertical section, same, $\times 5$; f, same, cross-section, $\times 8$. (From L. H. Bailey, *Manual of cultivated plants*, The Macmillan Company, 1949. Copyright 1924 and 1949 by Liberty H. Bailey.)

SALICACEAE. WILLOW FAMILY

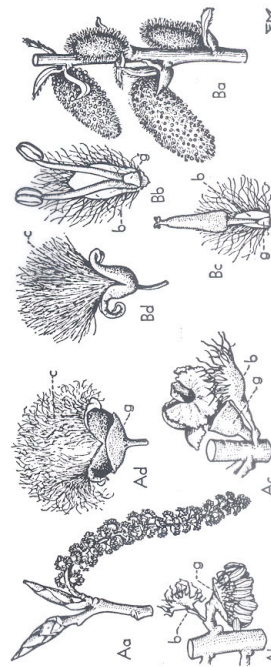


Fig. 103. SALICACEAE. A, *Populus balsamifera*: Aa, twig with staminate catkin, $\times \frac{1}{2}$; Ab, staminate catkin axis with flower, $\times 2$; Ac, pistillate flower, $\times 4$; Ad, capsule, $\times 2$. B, *Salix fragilis*: Ba, staminate catkins, $\times 1$ (catkins on left of twig at anthesis, others less mature); Bb, staminate flower, $\times 6$; Bc, pistillate flower, $\times 2$; Bd, capsule, $\times 2$. (b bract, c seed coma, g gland.) (From L. H. Bailey, *Manual of cultivated plants*, The Macmillan Company, 1949. Copyright 1924 and 1949 by Liberty H. Bailey.)

URTICACEAE. NETTLE FAMILY

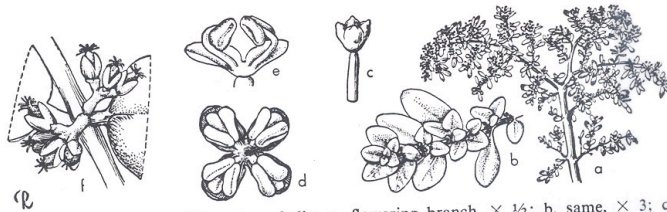


Fig. 113. URTICACEAE. *Pilea microphylla*: a, flowering branch, $\times \frac{1}{2}$; b, same, $\times 3$; c, staminate flower-bud, $\times 5$; d, staminate flower, face view, $\times 15$; e, same, vertical section, $\times 15$; f, pistillate flowers, $\times 5$. (From L. H. Bailey, *Manual of cultivated plants*, The Macmillan Company, 1949. Copyright 1924 and 1949 by Liberty H. Bailey.)

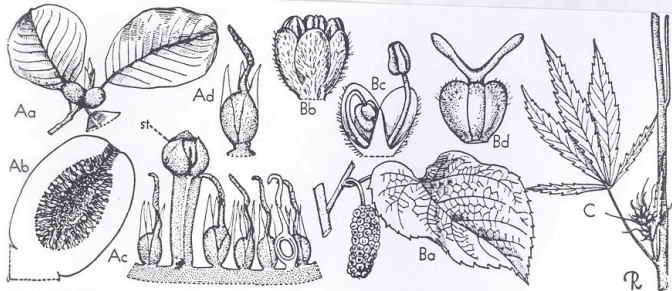


Fig. 112. MORACEAE. A. *Ficus altissima*: Aa, fruiting branch, $\times \frac{1}{10}$; Ab, flowering inflorescence, vertical section, $\times 1$; Ac, section of "receptacle" bearing pistillate and staminate flowers, $\times 5$; Ad, pistillate flower, $\times 6$. B. *Morus alba*: Ba, fruit and leaf, $\times \frac{1}{2}$; Bb, staminate flower, $\times 6$; Bc, same, vertical section, $\times 6$; Bd, pistillate flower, $\times 12$. C. *Cannabis sativa*: pistillate inflorescence and leaf, $\times \frac{1}{4}$. (From L. H. Bailey, *Manual of cultivated plants*, The Macmillan Company, 1949. Copyright 1924 and 1949 by Liberty H. Bailey.)

RHAMNACEAE.¹³⁵ BUCKTHORN FAMILY

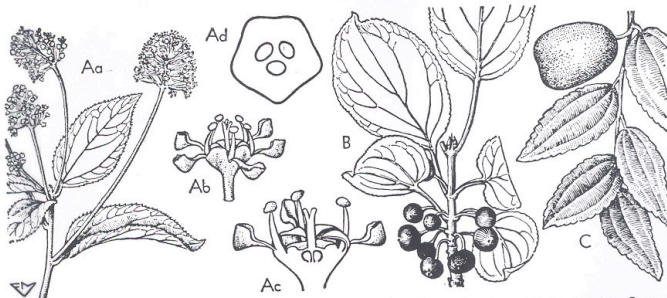


Fig. 200. RHAMNACEAE. A. *Ceanothus americanus*: Aa, flowering branch, $\times \frac{1}{2}$; Ab, flower, $\times 4$; Ac, same, vertical section, $\times 5$; Ad, ovary, cross-section, $\times 10$. B. *Rhamnus cathartica*: fruiting branch, $\times \frac{1}{2}$. C. *Ziziphus Jujuba*: twig with fruit, $\times \frac{1}{2}$. (From L. H. Bailey, *Manual of cultivated plants*, The Macmillan Company, 1949. Copyright 1924 and 1949 by Liberty H. Bailey.)

ULMACEAE. ELM FAMILY

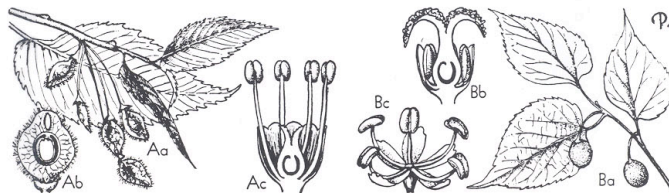


Fig. 111. ULMACEAE. A. *Ulmus americana*: Aa, fruiting branch, $\times \frac{1}{2}$; Ab, fruit, vertical section, $\times 1$; Ac, flower, vertical section, $\times 4$. B. *Celtis occidentalis*: Ba, fruiting branch, $\times \frac{1}{2}$; Bb, flower, vertical section, $\times 4$; Bc, staminate flower, $\times 6$. (From L. H. Bailey, *Manual of cultivated plants*, The Macmillan Company, 1949. Copyright 1924 and 1949 by Liberty H. Bailey.)