

Brachiopod fauna from uppermost Visean (Mississippian) mud mounds in Derbyshire, UK

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The systematic study of a brachiopod fauna collected from a Brigantian, uppermost Visean, Mississippian, mud mound complex on the Derbyshire Carbonate Platform (England, United Kingdom) recognises 45 species, representing 36 genera and seven orders (Productida, Orthotetida, Orthida, Rhynchonellida, Spiriferida, Spiriferinida, and Terebratulida). The mound complex is a decametre-scale lens-shaped buildup composed of three facies associations: the basal tabular unit made of skeletal packstone beds and tabular mounds, the complex core formed by metre-scale lens-shaped massive mounds and the surrounding inclined skeletal packstone flank beds. Brachiopods are widespread and very abundant in all three facies associations. Spinose, concavo-convex productides are dominant in the mud mound fauna, both in terms of the number of specimens, species, and biovolume. Productide success is related to scattered and scarce food resources, which they better exploited using their simple, unsupported feeding apparatus in comparison with that of the spiriferides. Spiriferides with a wide interarea are common and large in the basal tabular unit, but are rare and small in the complex core, probably due to greater availability of food resources during the deposition of the basal unit. Substrate type also played a role in controlling brachiopod diversity: varied substrates in the mound complex core allowed small-sized pedicle-attached rhynchonellides, spiriferides, and terebratulides to extensively colonise the seafloor, whereas they are rare in the basal unit.

Key words: Brachiopoda, mud mounds, Brigantian, Visean, Mississippian, Derbyshire, United Kingdom.

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Introduction

This paper systematically describes a brachiopod fauna from a Brigantian, uppermost Visean, mud mound complex in the Peak District, north-western Derbyshire (England, UK; Fig. 1A). The mound complex crops out at Ricklow Quarry ($53^{\circ}11'30''$ N, $01^{\circ}45'17''$ W), near the village of Monyash (Fig. 1B), and it belongs to the Mississippian Derbyshire Carbonate Platform succession (Gutteridge 1990, 1995).

Brigantian mud mounds in the Peak District are metre- to decametre-scale carbonate buildups lacking a framework built by skeletal metazoans, but having many skeletal

components associated with in-situ precipitation of carbonate mud by microbially mediated processes and marine cement-filled primary voids (Gutteridge 1995). Mud mounds usually show a massive, lens-shaped “core” laterally passing into inclined “flank” skeletal packstone beds. Flank beds represent the lateral transition to the adjacent equivalent, off-mound beds (Gutteridge 1990, 1995).

Despite the Derbyshire mounds hosting abundant and diverse brachiopod faunas, little work has been done on the taxonomic composition and palaeoecology of the faunas. Only faunal lists were provided by Smith et al. (1967: 46), Mitchell (1971: 140), and Gutteridge (1990: 31). In contrast, more studies were devoted to the Asbian, upper Visean,

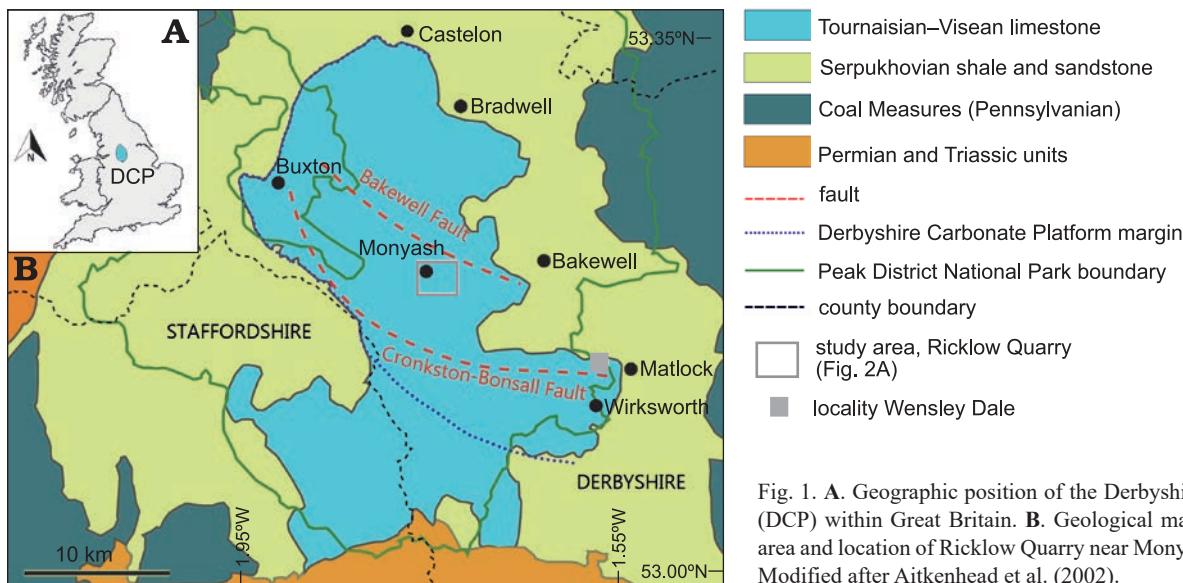


Fig. 1. A. Geographic position of the Derbyshire Carbonate Platform (DCP) within Great Britain. B. Geological map of the Peak District area and location of Ricklow Quarry near Monyash and Wensley Dale. Modified after Aitkenhead et al. (2002).

“Cracoean” reefs at the northern edge of the Derbyshire Carbonate Platform (e.g., Wolfenden 1958; Brunton and Mundy 1988; Brunton and Tilsley 1991) and to the Brigantian, uppermost Visean, gigantoprotostinct shell beds (Angiolini et al. 2012, 2019; Nolan et al. 2017). A deeper knowledge of the brachiopod fauna from the Derbyshire mounds is thus required, in particular, because mud mounds represent the relic of a microbial–metazoan reef community which was widespread in the Mississippian (e.g., Lees and Miller 1995; Bridges et al. 1995; Yao et al. 2019), but which is poorly known.

Very little is known about the brachiopod palaeoecology in Derbyshire mud mounds. Only Gutteridge (1990) provided an interpretation for the brachiopod spatial distribution in the mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry. Along with the systematic description of the brachiopod fauna from the mud mounds, this study also aims to present palaeoecological reconstructions based on the fauna and a revised interpretation of the facies architecture of the mud mound complex.

Finally, this paper represents the first systematic description of a fauna from the Brigantian substage, uppermost Visean, of Great Britain and Ireland, as only faunal lists have been provided so far (Smith et al. 1967; Mitchell 1971; Wilson 1989; Gutteridge 1990).

Institutional abbreviations.—MPUM, Museum of Palaeontology University of Milan, Department of Earth Sciences “A. Desio”, Milan, Italy.

Other abbreviations.—FA, facies association; R, RCC, RCK, sample or specimen from Ricklow Quarry mud mound complex, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK; WI, sample or specimen from Wensley Dale, Wensley, Derbyshire, UK.

Geological setting

The Derbyshire Carbonate Platform succession consists of the Peak Limestone Group, part of the Carboniferous Limestone

Supergroup (Waters et al. 2009). The Derbyshire Carbonate Platform crops out in the south of the Peak District, known as the “White Peak”, at the core of the Pennine Anticline (Fig. 1B; Stevenson and Gaunt 1971; Aitkenhead et al. 1985). The platform developed in the Tournaisian on the Derbyshire High, one of the many structural highs formed to the north of the Anglo-Brabant Massif (Pharaoh et al. 1987) between the end of the Devonian and the Mississippian (Haszeldine 1984, 1989; Stone et al. 2010). The Derbyshire High was at the time in a subtropical position (Pharaoh et al. 1987) and was subdivided by two normal faults, the Bakewell and Cronkston-Bonsall faults, into two south-dipping half-grabens with a fault terrace in-between (Fig. 1B; Gutteridge 1989). At first the structural high consisted of an irregular shallow marine area dominated by carbonate deposition with low-angle ramp margins. By the Asbian–Brigantian, late Visean, the carbonate system evolved into a flat-topped platform with framework reefs, mud mounds, and grainstone shoals at the margins (Stevenson and Gaunt 1971).

Carbonate strata deposited on the Derbyshire High in the Brigantian, latest Visean, belong to the Monsal Dale Limestone and Eyam Limestone formations (Fig. 2; Stevenson and Gaunt 1971; Aitkenhead and Chisholm 1982; Aitkenhead et al. 1985). The Monsal Dale Limestone is of early to middle Brigantian age and ranges in thickness commonly between 100 and 200 metres (Aitkenhead et al. 1985). The Eyam Limestone Formation is of late Brigantian age and has a thickness of 30–50 metres (Aitkenhead et al. 1985). The two formations are separated by a regional subaerial exposure surface (Aitkenhead and Chisholm 1982; Gutteridge 1991).

The depositional style of the Monsal Dale Limestone Formation was controlled by reactivation of basement faults in the Brigantian, leading to variation in thickness of the formation and the development of the intraplatform Ashford Basin to the north-east of the Bakewell Fault. By the end of the deposition of the Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, subsidence in-between the Bakewell and

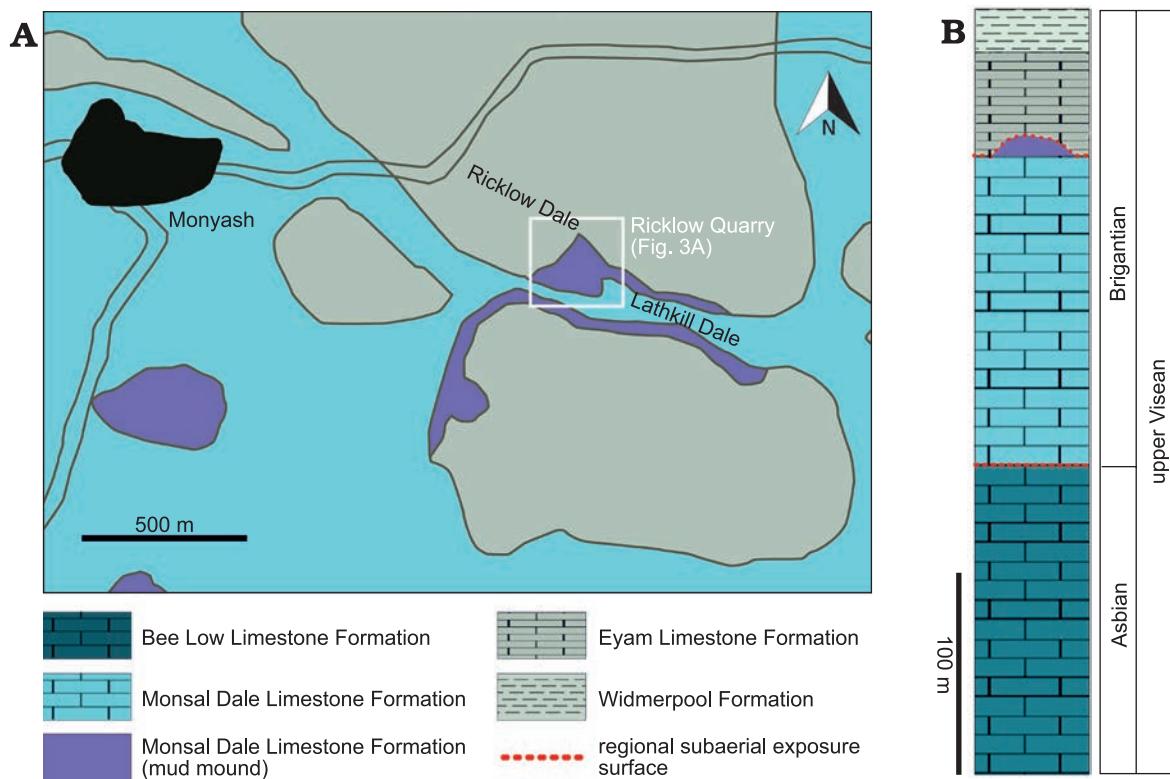


Fig. 2. Study area of Ricklow Quarry (Derbyshire, UK). A. Geological map of the surroundings of the village of Monyash and location of the site of Ricklow Quarry. Modified after British Geological Survey (1978). B. Stratigraphical column of the upper part of the Derbyshire Carbonate Platform succession in the study area around Monyash.

Cronkston-Bonsall faults (Fig. 1B) led to the development of an intraplatform ramp dipping to the east towards the intraplatform Stanton Basin (Gutteridge 1987, 1989). The Monsal Dale Limestone Formation is characterised on the platform interior by massive, cyclic, bioturbated skeletal wackestone–packstone and skeletal grainstone, with floatstone beds with gigantoprotostomes (Cox et al. 1977; Aitkenhead et al. 1985); on the margin, it comprises bioclastic, crinoid-dominated grainstone–rudstone interpreted as shoals (Gawthorpe and Gutteridge 1990; Harwood 2005). The intraplatform ramp and basin facies include bioturbated skeletal packstone, organic-rich wackestone, and very fine-grained, non-bioturbated packstone (Aitkenhead et al. 1985; Gutteridge 1989). Interbedded volcanic rocks (e.g., basaltic lava, hyaloclastite, and tuff) are common in the Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, forming useful marker beds (Aitkenhead et al. 1985). Mud mounds (sensu Bridges et al. 1995; Pratt 1995) developed at the platform margin, in the platform interior, and intraplatform ramps near the top of the Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, immediately beneath the regional subaerial exposure surface marking the boundary with the overlying Eyam Limestone Formation (Adams 1980; Gutteridge 1991, 1995). The studied Ricklow Quarry mound complex belongs to this group of mounds; its depositional setting was interpreted as an intraplatform inner ramp setting (sensu Burchette and Wright 1992) by Gutteridge (1995), and as middle ramp, below effective wave base, by Nolan et al. (2017). Brigantian

mounds in Derbyshire consist of a massive “core” dominated by in situ precipitated micrite mediated by biologically induced and influenced processes associated with microbial mats (“automicrite” sensu Wolf 1965; Reitner and Neuweiler 1995; Reitner et al. 1995; Flügel 2004) with fenestellid bryozoan fronds and brachiopod shells (Bridges et al. 1995; Gutteridge 1995). These metre- to decametre-scale buildups formed decametre-scale “mud mound complexes” by lateral and vertical accretion (Gutteridge 1995). Gutteridge (1990) described the brachiopod fauna from the mud mound complex at Ricklow Quarry as mainly occurring in decimetre-scale “pockets”, surrounded by sparsely fossiliferous facies showing a less diverse fauna with only productides. Pockets were interpreted by Gutteridge (1990) as scoured by storm currents on the mud mound core surfaces. Inclined “flank” skeletal packstone beds with brachiopods and crinoids represented the transition to the lateral equivalent off-mound beds, dominated by crinoid ossicles (Gutteridge 1990, 1995). These mounds are considered as non-Waulsortian, type 3 buildups (crinoid–brachiopod–fenestellid bryozoans) in the classification scheme by Bridges et al. (1995) for Mississippian mounds.

The Eyam Limestone Formation comprises thin-beds of cherty skeletal packstone, fossiliferous beds dominated by gigantoprotostomes, corals, and crinoids, and a few dark calci-mudstone intercalations on the platform interior (Aitkenhead and Chisholm 1982; Aitkenhead et al. 1985); it consists of bioclastic crinoid-dominated grainstone–rud-

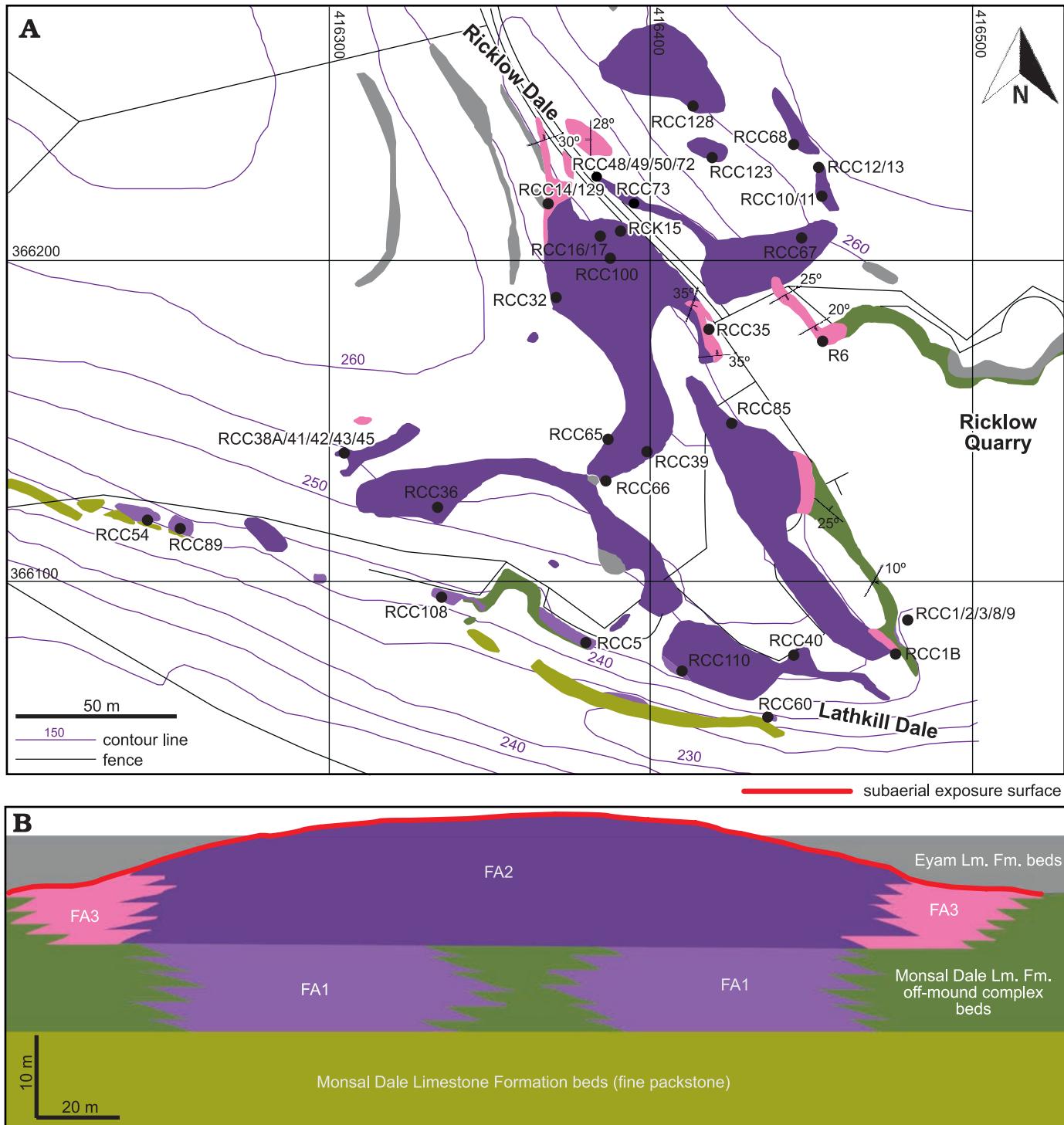


Fig. 3. Facies architecture of the Brigantian (uppermost Visean) mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry. **A.** Facies association map (outcrops only) of the study area of Ricklow Quarry, with position of the collected fossil brachiopod assemblages and samples for thin sections. Map drawn from a geodatabase built with ESRI ArcGIS® software. Basemap by Ordnance Survey, OS MasterMap Topography Layer, 1:250 series. Kilometric coordinate system: British National Grid (projection: Transverse Mercator; datum: OSGB 1936; units: metres). **B.** Interpretative stratigraphic scheme of the studied mud mound complex with spatial distribution of the distinguished facies associations. Scales are approximate with 2 \times vertical exaggeration. Flank beds are inclined with an angle of 20–44°. Abbreviations: Fm., Formation; Lm., Limestone;

stone interpreted as shoals on the margins (Aitkenhead and Chisholm 1982; Aitkenhead et al. 1985; Gawthorpe and Gutteridge 1990). Sedimentation on the intraplatform ramps and basins consisted of crinoidal shoals with associated gi-

gantoproductins in the shallow inner ramp portion, passing outward into packstone and wackestone with associated beds dominated by gigantoproductins of the middle ramp environment and then to outer ramp—intraplatform basin dark lime-

stone units deposited by storms (Gutteridge 1984; Nolan et al. 2017). Mud mounds developed on the platform interior and intraplatform inner ramp settings during the deposition of the middle and upper portions of the Eyam Limestone Formation (British Geological Survey 1978; Gutteridge 1995).

The Derbyshire Platform carbonate deposition terminated in the early Serpukhovian, as delta systems advanced southwards burying it (Widmerpool Formation; Aitkenhead and Chisholm 1982; Guion and Fielding 1998).

Ricklow Quarry mud mound complex facies architecture.—Geological mapping and measurement of stratigraphic logs during fieldwork, along with petrographic and cathodoluminescence analysis of collected rock samples, allowed a revised model for the facies architecture of the mud mound complex cropping out at Ricklow Quarry (Fig. 3). The mound complex consists of a lens-shaped buildup formed by numerous metre-scale mounds, reaching a thickness of 20–25 m and a diameter of roughly 250 m. It is formed by several facies differing in texture and components, which were grouped into three facies associations (Fig. 3): a basal tabular unit (Facies Association 1), a massive lens-shaped core (Facies Association 2), and flank beds (Facies Association 3). Stratigraphically, the mound complex occurs at the top of the Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, and it is overlain by the basal beds of the Eyam Limestone Formation, onlapping against the mud mound top (Fig. 4A).

Facies Association 1 (FA1): This association characterises the basal unit of the mound complex. This unit is horizontal, 10 m thick, 250 m in diameter, and consists of an association of 3–5 cm thick nodular packstone beds and 5–100 cm thick tabular massive mud mounds (Fig. 4B). It has a sharp base overlying 1 m thick beds of fine-grained, well-sorted packstone–grainstone with peloids and bioclasts (foraminifers, crinoid ossicles). FA1 is lateral to beds of crinoidal grainstone/rudstone of the off-mound complex Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, while it gradually passes upward to the massive core of the mud mound complex (FA2). Packstone beds are dominated by brachiopods within a matrix made of detrital lime mud (“allomicrite”, sensu Wolf 1965; Reitner and Neuweiler 1995; Reitner et al. 1995; Flügel 2004) and mm-size automicrite patches (Fig. 5A). Packstone beds are irregularly interbedded and laterally transitional within a few metres to the tabular mounds, which consist of automicrite–fenestellid bryozoan boundstone with abundant brachiopod shells (Fig. 5B). Both packstone beds and tabular mounds contain common calcite-replaced siliceous sponge spicules, a few crinoid ossicles, ramosome and fistuliporid bryozoans, ostracods, bivalves and rare foraminifers, gastropods, trilobite fragments, and fish scales. Skeletal components are usually not fragmented.

Facies Association 2 (FA2): The basal FA1 unit passes gradually upward into an association of metre-scale, lens-shaped, massive mounds, which accreted to form the lens-shaped core of the mud mound complex (thickness 10–15 m, diameter 250 m; Fig. 4C). FA2 is lateral to inclined bound-

stone/packstone beds forming the flank facies (FA3). Mound cores are made of automicrite–fenestellid bryozoan boundstone–cementstone with abundant radial fibrous calcite cement (Fig. 5C). Other skeletal components are brachiopods and calcite-replaced siliceous sponge spicules, sparse crinoid ossicles, ramosome and fistuliporid bryozoans, ostracods, bivalves, rare foraminifers, and gastropods (Fig. 5D, E). Skeletal components are usually not fragmented.

Facies Association 3 (FA3): The massive mud mound complex core laterally passes to poorly to well-defined inclined beds (up to 44°) with a thickness of 10–100 cm (Fig. 4D). Beds consist of automicrite–fenestellid bryozoan boundstone grading downslope into skeletal packstone beds with brachiopods and crinoids, with a major proportion of allomicrite (Fig. 5F). These beds constitute the lateral flank of the mud mound complex core, and form an irregular wedge, 2 to 10 m thick, extending no more than 30 m around it. FA3 beds represent the transition from the core to horizontal crinoid-rich packstone/rudstone beds characterizing the areas lateral to the mound complex (Fig. 3).

Material and methods

In the mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry (53°11'30" N, 01°45'17" W), three fossil brachiopod assemblages were collected from unit FA1 (RCC1, RCC2, RCC60) and six from FA2 (RCC10, RCC32, RCC49, RCC65G, RCC73, RCK15; Fig. 3A). Collection of a precise and standard volume of rock was not possible, although sampling continued until no new species were recovered, obtaining a minimum volume from each locality of about 1.5 dm³; the minimum volume contains at least 30–40 specimens (number of articulated specimens + number of valves of the most occurring type + half number of the other type of valve), alongside many fragments. Additionally 39 smaller assemblages were collected from FA1 (RCC3, RCC8, RCC9, RCC54, RCC108), FA2 (RCC11, RCC12, RCC12BIT, RCC13, RCC32B, RCC32C, RCC36, RCC38A, RCC39, RCC40, RCC41, RCC42, RCC43, RCC45, RCC48, RCC50, RCC65, RCC65T, RCC66, RCC67, RCC68, RCC72, RCC85, RCC110, RCC123, RCC128, RCK15A, RCK15B, RCK16, RCK17) and FA3 (RCC1B, RCC14, RCC35A, RCC129; Fig. 3A). A few specimens were collected from debris blocks of the mud mound complex (RCC300). In total, the collected fauna comprises more than 400 specimens and hundreds of fragments.

To facilitate description and identification of taxa, and to describe further material from the Brigantian, a small number of specimens (39) of a well-preserved fauna collected in Wensley Dale (53°08'41.7"N, 01°35'58.4"W; Matlock, Derbyshire; Fig. 1B) was included in the study (WI1). It comes from a poorly exposed, lenticular 30 cm-thick bed of skeletal packstone of probable mud mound affinity found above a gigantoproductins-dominated bed, in the Eyam Limestone Formation near the southern margin of the platform (Smith et al. 1967; British Geological Survey 2012).

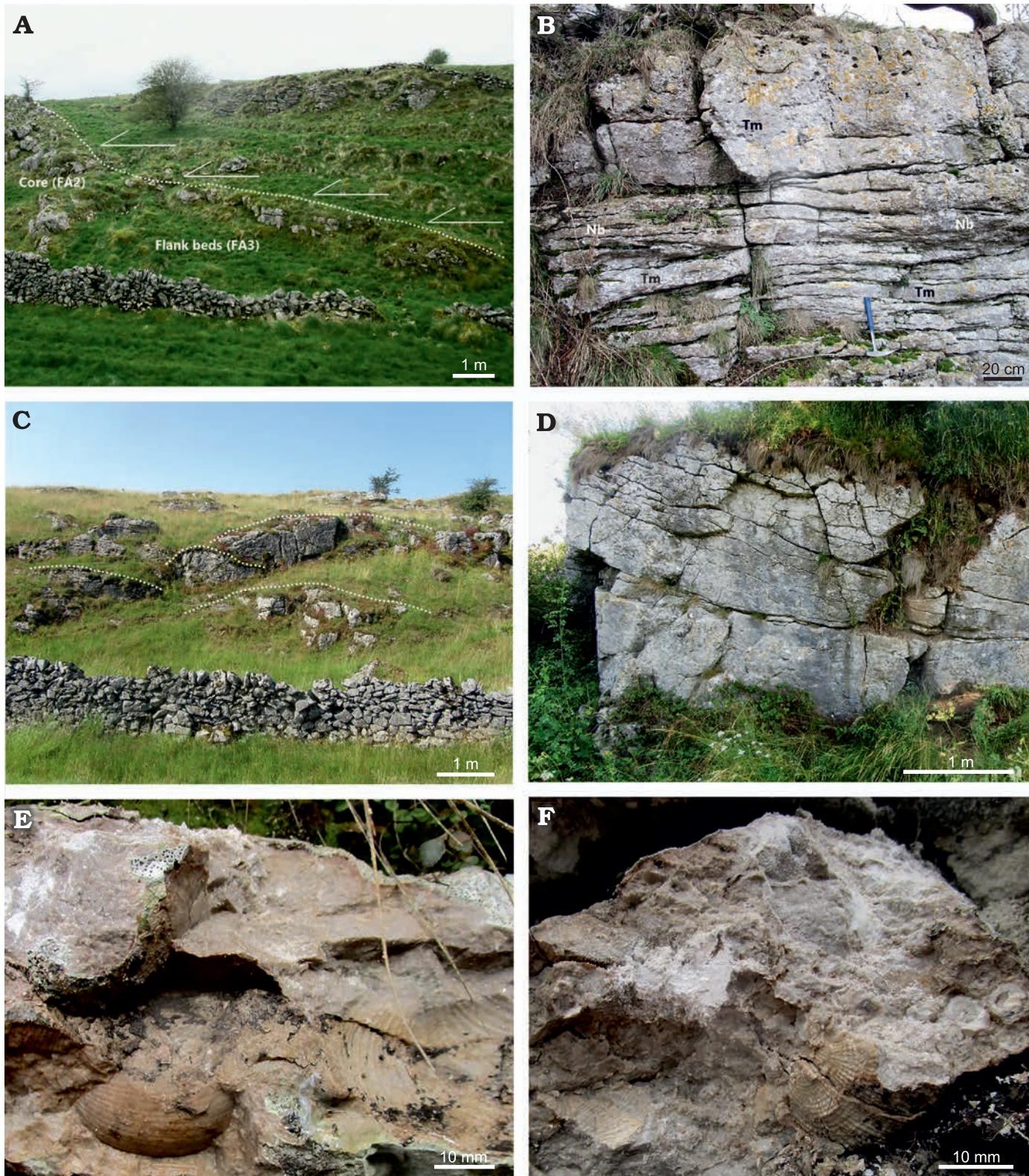


Fig. 4. Outcrop photographs from the Ricklow Quarry site, Monyash, England. **A.** Eyam Limestone Formation beds onlapping (solid line arrows) the mud mound complex capping surface (dotted line). The boundary is marked by subaerial exposure features. **B.** Nodular packstone beds (Nb) and tabular massive mounds (Tm) forming the basal facies association (FA1) of the mound complex. **C.** Lens-shape mounds accreting to form the mound complex core (FA2). Dotted lines indicate capping surface of mounds. **D.** Detail of inclined flank beds (FA3) dipping eastward (inclination 35–25°) on the south-eastern edge of the mound complex. **E.** A ventral valve of *Latibrachythiris* cf. *crassa* (De Koninck, 1843) (below) and reticulate productide in life position (above) in a nodular packstone bed from the basal FA1 unit of the mound complex. **F.** Dorsal valve of a species of *Antiquatonia* from the mud mound complex core (FA2). The valve is part of a specimen in life position. The specimen is surrounded by other brachiopod shells and crinoid ossicles.

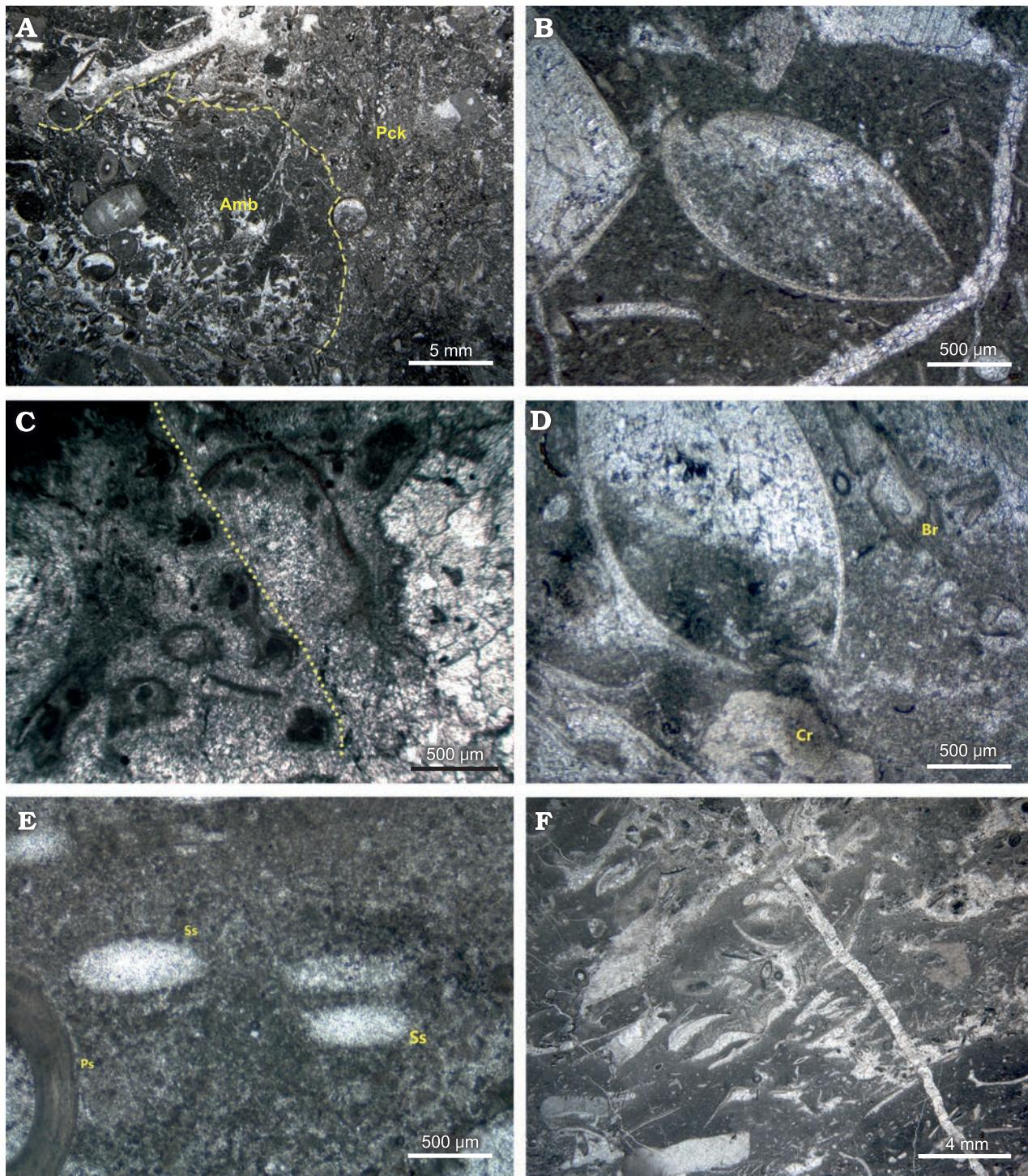


Fig. 5. Photomicrographs of petrographic thin sections from the Brigantian (uppermost Visean) mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry (FA1, FA2, FA3), Monyash, England. **A.** Sample MPUM12295 (RCC89). Automicrite boundstone patch (Amb) within a packstone (Pck) with allomicrite, from a nodular packstone bed at the base of the mound complex (FA1). Note more heavily recrystallized allomicrite with respect to automicrite. Plane polarisers. **B.** Sample MPUM12295 (RCC5). Articulated brachiopod shells embedded in automicrite from a tabular mound from the basal unit of the mound complex (FA1). Plane polarisers. **C.** Sample MPUM12295 (RCC65). Automicrite-fenestellid bryozoan boundstone with abundant radial fibrous marine and equant burial calcite cements from the mound complex core (FA2). Fenestellid frond marked by dotted line. Plane polarisers. **D.** Sample MPUM12295 (RCC85). Articulated brachiopod shells, crinoid ossicles (Cr), and fenestellid bryozoan fronds (Br) in automicrite boundstone from the mound complex core (FA2). The biconvex brachiopod specimen is in life position and lived attached to the crinoid ossicle in the mud underneath its umbo. Plane polarisers. **E.** Sample MPUM12295 (RCC32B). Productide spine (Ps) and calcite-replaced siliceous sponge spicules (Ss) in automicrite boundstone from the mound complex core (FA2). Plane polarisers. **F.** Sample MPUM12295 (R6). Isoriented skeletal packstone with brachiopods and crinoids, with allo- and automicrite from the flank beds (FA3). Convex-up disarticulated brachiopod shells aligned along the flank beds forming shelter porosity, later filled by equant calcite cement. Plane polarisers.

Table 1. Number of individuals for each brachiopod taxon in the fauna calculated for the two main lithofacies associations (FA1, FA2) forming the mound complex of Ricklow Quarry and in collected fossil assemblages with at least 20 individuals. Margalef diversity index, Shannon-Wiener diversity index, evenness and dominance were calculated using PAST software (Hammer et al. 2001). Percentages of brachiopod biovolume for the three ecological groups considered (seminfaunal products, pedicle-attached brachiopods, pedicle-attached brachiopods with morphological adaptations to soft substrates) are reported as well for each facies association and assemblage. Biovolume was calculated using the method of Powell and Stanton (1985). Complete list of specimens in each assemblage is given in SOM 3.

	Locality	RCC1 Facies association	RCC2 FA1	RCC60 FA1	RCC10 FA1	RCC32 FA2	RCC49 FA2	RCC65G FA2	RCC73 FA2	RCK15 FA2	FA2
<i>Alitaria aff. triquetra</i>		2	5	3	10	0	4	0	0	0	11
<i>Overtonia fimbriata</i>		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
<i>Aponia</i> sp.		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
<i>Quasiavonia aculeata</i>		3	1	0	5	1	4	7	2	2	29
? <i>Quasiavonia</i> sp.		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Krotovia spinulosa</i>		2	0	0	4	1	1	0	3	5	19
<i>Breileenia radiata</i>		0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	14
<i>Geniculifera keyserlingiana</i>		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
<i>Carringtonia</i> cf. <i>carringtoniana</i>		1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Limbifera</i> sp.		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Productus</i> cf. <i>productus</i>		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
<i>Productus</i> sp.		1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Eomarginifera</i> cf. <i>laqueata</i>		0	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	2
<i>Antiquatoria hinda</i>		0	4	3	11	0	4	0	1	3	22
<i>Antiquatoria</i> aff. <i>hindii</i>		0	1	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	8
<i>Antiquatoria insculpta</i>		6	5	3	20	1	1	0	1	1	15
<i>Dictyoclostus pinguis</i>		0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	1
<i>Pugilis</i> cf. <i>kibridensis</i>		0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
<i>Pugilis</i> cf. <i>scotica</i>		0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Buxtonia scabricula</i>		1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Buxtonia</i> sp.		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Buxtoniinae gen. et sp. indet.		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Reticulate Productoidea gen. et sp. indet.		4	5	12	28	2	0	0	0	2	16
<i>Echinoconchus punctatus</i>		1	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	3	10
<i>Pustula</i> cf. <i>pustulosa</i>		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
<i>Linoprotonia</i> sp.		0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
<i>Schellwienella</i> sp.		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
? <i>Serratocrista</i> aff. <i>dalriensis</i>		0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
<i>Schizophoria</i> (S.) <i>resupinata</i>		0	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	3
<i>Schizophoria</i> (S.) cf. <i>commixta</i>		0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Pleuropongoides pleurodon</i>		2	0	0	3	0	0	6	0	3	23
<i>Priopropnus pugnus</i>		0	1	3	5	1	2	0	1	1	8
<i>Crurithyris urei</i>		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
<i>Martininae</i> gen. et sp. indet.		0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
? <i>Fusella</i> sp.		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
<i>Lanibrachythiris</i> cf. <i>crassa</i>		3	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	1
<i>Lanibrachythiris rotundata</i>		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7

Table 1 (continued).

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<i>Brachythyrididae</i> gen. et sp. indet.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
? <i>Reticularia</i> cf. <i>mesoloba</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
<i>Phricodothyris paricosta</i>	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4
<i>Phricodothyris</i> cf. <i>periculosa</i>	2	1	2	6	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	2
<i>Phricodothyris</i> sp.	1	0	1	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	3
Spiriferida gen. et sp. indet.	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	5
? <i>Pancospirifer</i> sp.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
<i>Harietella oakleyi</i>	3	0	2	7	8	4	6	10	3	5	7	1
<i>Beecheria</i> sp.	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
? <i>Balanococoncha</i> sp.	0	0	1	1	4	0	0	2	0	2	0	19
Terebratulida gen. et sp. indet.	0	0	2	2	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	9
Specimens (total):	32	31	37	140	22	25	21	23	23	44	329	
Biovolume mm ³ (total except <i>Carringtonia</i> cf. <i>carringtoniana</i>)	2277846.07	329274.79	158490.04	1206310.86	134752.23	88446.47	118422.28	25155.21	89108.23	192901.66	1238439.79	
% biovolume semifaunal productides	62.06	99.32	73.69	81.49	20.26	98.78	36.73	86.73	82.62	93.07	76.58	
% biovolume pedicle-attached	1.91	0.68	2.46	1.20	1.57	1.22	63.27	11.08	3.91	6.08	3.69	
% biovolume pedicle-attached with adaptations	36.03	0.00	23.85	17.31	78.17	0.00	0.00	2.18	13.46	0.85	19.73	
Margalef's diversity index	3.75	4.37	3.88	6.27	2.91	3.11	1.31	2.23	3.83	4.23	6.56	
Shannon-Wiener diversity index	2.68	2.72	2.53	3.03	2.16	2.42	1.47	1.82	2.70	2.77	3.03	
Dominance	0.07	0.08	0.12	0.08	0.16	0.09	0.24	0.23	0.06	0.07	0.08	
Evenness	1.04	0.95	0.83	0.65	0.87	1.02	0.87	0.77	1.15	0.94	0.53	

The systematic study follows the classifications of Brunton et al. (2000) for the productidines, Williams and Brunton (2000) for the orthotetidines, Harper (2000) for the dalmanellidines, Savage et al. (2002) for the Pugnacoidea, Carter et al. (2006) for the spiriferides, Carter and Johnson (2006) for the spiriferinides, Lee et al. (2006) for the terebratulides. Morphological terminology follows Williams and Brunton (1997). Specimen measurements are given in SOM 1 (Supplementary Online material available at http://app.pan.pl/SOM/app67-Carniti_etal_SOM.pdf).

The palaeoecological analysis was performed classifying the studied brachiopod species into three groups based on their lifestyle and feeding mechanism and considering biovolume instead of the number of specimens. Biovolumes were calculated using the method of Powell and Stanton (1985) in assemblages having more than 20 specimens and for the total number of specimens collected from FA1 and FA2 (Table 1). Brachiopods were considered as half cylinders using the formula $V = 1/2\pi r^2 h$ (r = half-width of the shell; h = length of the shell). Flank beds (FA3) were not included as insufficient specimens were available.

Results

Brachiopod fauna composition and comparison with coeval faunas.—The studied brachiopod fauna comprises 45 species, representing 36 genera. Abundances and distribution of species in the different units of the mud mound complex are given in Table 2. Several poorly preserved specimens were identified as belonging to indeterminate species of taxa of Productoidea, Orthotetida, Spiriferida, and Terebratulida. Seven brachiopod orders are represented in the fauna: Productida, Orthotetida, Orthida, Rhynchonellida, Spiriferida, Spiriferinida, and Terebratulida.

Brachiopods from the Ricklow Quarry mud mound complex core had been previously listed by Gutteridge (1990) who reported a faunal list of 55 species of 35 genera. Our study revealed the list of Gutteridge (1990) was exhaustive regarding productide species (Table 2). However, the present study did not identify the productellid *Acanthoplecta mesoloba* (Phillips, 1836) and did not identify the high abundance of *Productus productus* (Martin, 1809) noted by Gutteridge (1990). Our study also suggested that Gutteridge (1990) underestimated orthotetide, spiriferide, and terebratulide diversity (Table 2).

The Ricklow Quarry fauna is similar to the one listed from other Brigantian mud mounds of the Derbyshire Carbonate Platform by Smith et al. (1967: 46) and Mitchell (1971: 140). Smith et al. (1967) based his study on mounds at the top of the Monsal Dale Limestone Formation at the eastern edge of the Derbyshire Platform, around Matlock, while Mitchell (1971) studied the mounds of the northern portion of the platform from the same stratigraphical level, near Intake Dale, Bradwell. The only differences are the absence in the fauna under study of the productellid *Acanthoplecta mesoloba* and

Table 2. Range chart of the brachiopod fauna in the Ricklow mound complex (FA1, FA2, FA3). The table also shows the faunal composition of the fauna collected from Wensley Dale (WI1) and the one collected by Gutteridge (1990) in the Ricklow mound complex core, with synonymy and inferred abundance. Rare (r) <5%; sparse (s) 5–10%; common (c) 10–25%; abundant (a)>25%; ?, unknown location in the mound complex.

Species	FA1	FA2	FA3	WI1	Gutteridge (1990)
<i>Alitaria aff. triquetra</i>	s	r			? <i>Alitaria panderi</i> ; r
<i>Eomarginifera trispina</i>				r	
<i>Productina margaritacea</i>					r
<i>Overtonia fimbriata</i>		r			r
<i>Avonia</i> sp.		r			<i>Avonia youngiana</i> ; s
<i>Quasiavonia aculeata</i>	r	s	r	r	<i>Avonia aculeata</i> ; s
? <i>Quasiavonia</i> sp.	r				
<i>Krotovia spinulosa</i>	r	s			s
<i>Breileenia radiata</i>		r	r		<i>Avonia davidsoni</i> ; s
<i>Acanthoplecta mesoloba</i>					r
<i>Geniculifera keyserlingiana</i>		r			
<i>Carringtonia</i> cf. <i>carringtoniana</i>	r				
<i>Limbifera</i> sp.	r				<i>Sinuatella</i> cf. <i>sinuata</i> ; r
<i>Productus</i> cf. <i>productus</i>		r			<i>Productus productus</i> ; s
<i>Productus</i> sp.	r				
<i>Eomarginifera</i> cf. <i>laqueata</i>	r	r		r	<i>Eomarginifera</i> cf. <i>lobata</i> /E. <i>longispinus</i> group; r
<i>Antiquatoria hindi</i>	s	s	r	c	<i>Antiquatoria</i> cf. <i>hindi</i> ; r
<i>Antiquatoria</i> aff. <i>hindi</i>	r	r			<i>Antiquatoria sulcata</i> ; r
<i>Antiquatoria insculpta</i>	c	r	s		<i>Antiquatoria insculpta</i> ; r
Leioproductinae gen. et sp. indet.					Leioproductoid; r?
<i>Dictyoclostus pinguis</i>	r	r	r		<i>Dictyoclostus</i> sp.; s
<i>Pugilis</i> cf. <i>kilbridensis</i>	r	r			<i>Pugilis</i> cf. <i>pugilis</i> / <i>Pugilis</i> sp.; r
<i>Pugilis</i> cf. <i>scotica</i>	r				
<i>Buxtonia scabricula</i>	r	r	s	c	<i>Buxtonia</i> sp.; r
<i>Buxtonia</i> sp.	r			r	<i>Marginicinctus</i> sp.; r
<i>Kochiproductus</i> sp.					r
Buxtoniinae gen. et sp. indet.		r			Buxtonoid; r
reticulate Productoidea gen. et sp. indet.	c	r	r	r	Costate productoid indet.; s
<i>Echinoconchus punctatus</i>	r	r	c	s	r
<i>Echinoconchus subelegans</i>					r
<i>Pustula</i> cf. <i>pustulosa</i>	r	r			<i>Pustula</i> sp.; r
<i>Linoprotonia</i> sp.	r	r			r
<i>Fluctuaria undata</i>	?	?	?		r
<i>Schellwienella</i> sp.		r			
? <i>Serratocrista</i> aff. <i>dalriensis</i>		r			
Orthotetidina gen. et sp. indet.			r		Davidsonacean; r
<i>Rugosochonetes</i> sp.					r
<i>Schizophoria resupinata</i>	r	r	c		<i>Schizophoria</i> sp.; s
<i>Schizophoria</i> cf. <i>connivens</i>	r		r		
<i>Rhipidiomella</i> sp.					r
<i>Pugnax acuminatus</i>					r
<i>Pugnax codiformis</i>					r
<i>Pugnax</i> cf. <i>pugnoides</i>					r
<i>Pleuropugnoides pleurodon</i>	r	s	r		r
<i>Propriopugnus pugnus</i>	r	r	r	r	<i>Pugnax pseudopugnus</i> ; r
<i>Coledium</i> sp.					r
<i>Crurithyris urei</i>		r			
Martiniinae gen. et sp. indet.	r			r	<i>Martinia</i> sp., r
<i>Angiospirifer bisulcatus</i>				s	<i>Spirifer bisulcatus</i> ; r
? <i>Fusella</i> sp.		r			<i>Fusella</i> sp./ <i>Spirifer triangularis</i> ; r
<i>Latibrachythyris</i> cf. <i>crassa</i>	r	r			<i>Spirifer</i> aff. <i>planicostus</i> ; r
<i>Latibrachythyris rotundata</i>	r	r	s		

Table 2 (continued).

<i>Brachythryididae</i> gen. et sp. indet.		r			<i>Brachythrys ovalis</i> ; r
? <i>Reticularia</i> cf. <i>mesoloba</i>		r			
<i>Georgethyris lobata</i>			r		
<i>Phricodothyris paricosta</i>	r	r			
<i>Phricodothyris</i> cf. <i>periculosa</i>	s	r		s	
<i>Phricodothyris</i> sp.	r	r			
<i>Nebenothyris</i> sp.			r		
<i>Spiriferida</i> gen. et sp. indet.	r	r			Smooth spiriferoid; r
? <i>Punctospirifer</i> sp.		r			
<i>Hustedia radialis</i>				r	
<i>Harttella oakleyi</i>	s	c			<i>Girtyella sacculus</i> ; a
<i>Beecheria</i> sp.		r			
? <i>Balanconchida</i> sp.	r	r			
<i>Terebratulida</i> gen. et sp. indet.	r	r	r		

the scarcity of specimens of *Buxtonia scabricula* (Sowerby, 1814), ?*Fusella triangularis* (Sowerby, 1827), small-sized species of *Productus* (e.g., *Productus hispidus* Muir-Wood, 1928), and *Schizophoria resupinata* (Martin, 1809).

Instead, the brachiopod assemblages from the mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry are rather different from those typical of the platform interior of the Derbyshire Carbonate Platform in the late Visean (Wolfenden 1958). Platform interior taxa of Chonetidina (e.g., *Daviesiella* aff. *comoides* Sowerby, 1823a), Athyridida (*Athyris expansa* Phillips, 1836), and Spiriferinida (e.g., *Davidsonina septosa* Phillips, 1836) seem to be restricted to the platform interior (Wolfenden 1958) and were never found in the mud mound complex. Also, giant linoprotoceratid species (e.g., species of *Gigantoproductus*) were never found in the mud mound complex, though they are abundant in the beds onlapping the subaerial exposure surface capping the buildup (Nolan et al. 2017).

All brachiopod taxa collected in the mud mound complex were also found in upper Visean framework reef facies (Wolfenden 1958; Brunton and Tilsley 1991). However, the mud mound brachiopod fauna appears to be less diverse with greater dominance of a few taxa than that of the framework reef. The Craven Reef Belt in North Yorkshire yields assemblages with up to 40 species (Brunton and Tilsley 1991; 125 species in the entire belt). Many taxa typical of framework reefs were not found in the mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry (e.g., species of *Eomarginifera*, *Angiospirifer*, and *Georgethyris*), but most notable is the absence of taxa adapted to hard substrates, such as the shell-attached Strophalosioidea and Aulostegoidea which are widespread in Visean framework reef environments (Brunton and Mundy 1988; Brunton and Tilsley 1991).

Though most taxa in the mud mound complex were also identified in the Asbian reefs of Derbyshire and Yorkshire (Brunton and Tilsley 1991), the productellid *Breileenia radiata* Brunton in Brunton and Lazarev, 1997, the productids *Eomarginifera laqueata* (Martin, 1809) and *Pugilis kilbridensis* (Muir-Wood, 1928), and the terebratulide *Harttella oakleyi* Brunton, 1982, seem to be restricted to the Brigantian substage (Muir-Wood 1928; Mitchell 1971; Brunton and Til-

sley 1991; Brunton et al. 1993). The rhynchonellide *Pleuro-pugnoides pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836), which is abundant in the fauna of the Ricklow Quarry mud mound complex, is considered typical of the upper Visean in Great Britain (Angiolini et al. 2021: fig. 5). The brachiopod fauna in the Ricklow Quarry mud mound complex thus confirms its Brigantian age, previously inferred from its stratigraphic position.

Brachiopod distribution in FA1, FA2, and FA3.—Brachiopods are widespread in the packstone beds and tabular mounds at the base of the mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry (FA1). They are commonly articulated, but not in life position, although some may occur in life position at the base of beds (Fig. 4E). Productide spines frequently occur articulated to the shell, while only valves of large-sized spiriferides (*Latibrachythrys* cf. *crassa* De Koninck, 1843) occur disarticulated. Specimens are usually not fractured, though some are crushed by mechanical compaction. The ornamentation is usually well preserved with few signs of corrosion. Productides are dominant both in terms of species (19 in a total of 30; Fig. 6A₁) and specimen number (71.4%; Fig. 6B₁). Productidae are widespread, followed in abundance and diversity by Productellidae and a minor amount of Echinoconchidae and Monticuliferidae (Fig. 6C₁). Also, spiriferides (13.6% of specimens) and terebratulides (7.1%) are common in the FA1 unit, while rhynchonellides and orthids are rare (Fig. 6A₁, B₁).

In the mud mound complex core (FA2) brachiopods are widespread and very abundant as well. Productides are commonly found in life position, frequently with some spines attached to the shell (Fig. 4F). Rhynchonellides, spiriferides, and terebratulides always occur articulated; valves of orthids occur disarticulated. Specimens are not fractured and show few signs of corrosion. Although productides (mainly Productidae and Productellidae) are still dominant (19 species in a total of 36; 48.6% specimens; Fig. 6A₂, B₂, C₂), terebratulide specimens are more numerous than in FA1 (31.0%; Fig. 6B₂). Spiriferides form a minor percentage of specimens with respect to FA1 (8.8%) but are more diverse (eight spe-

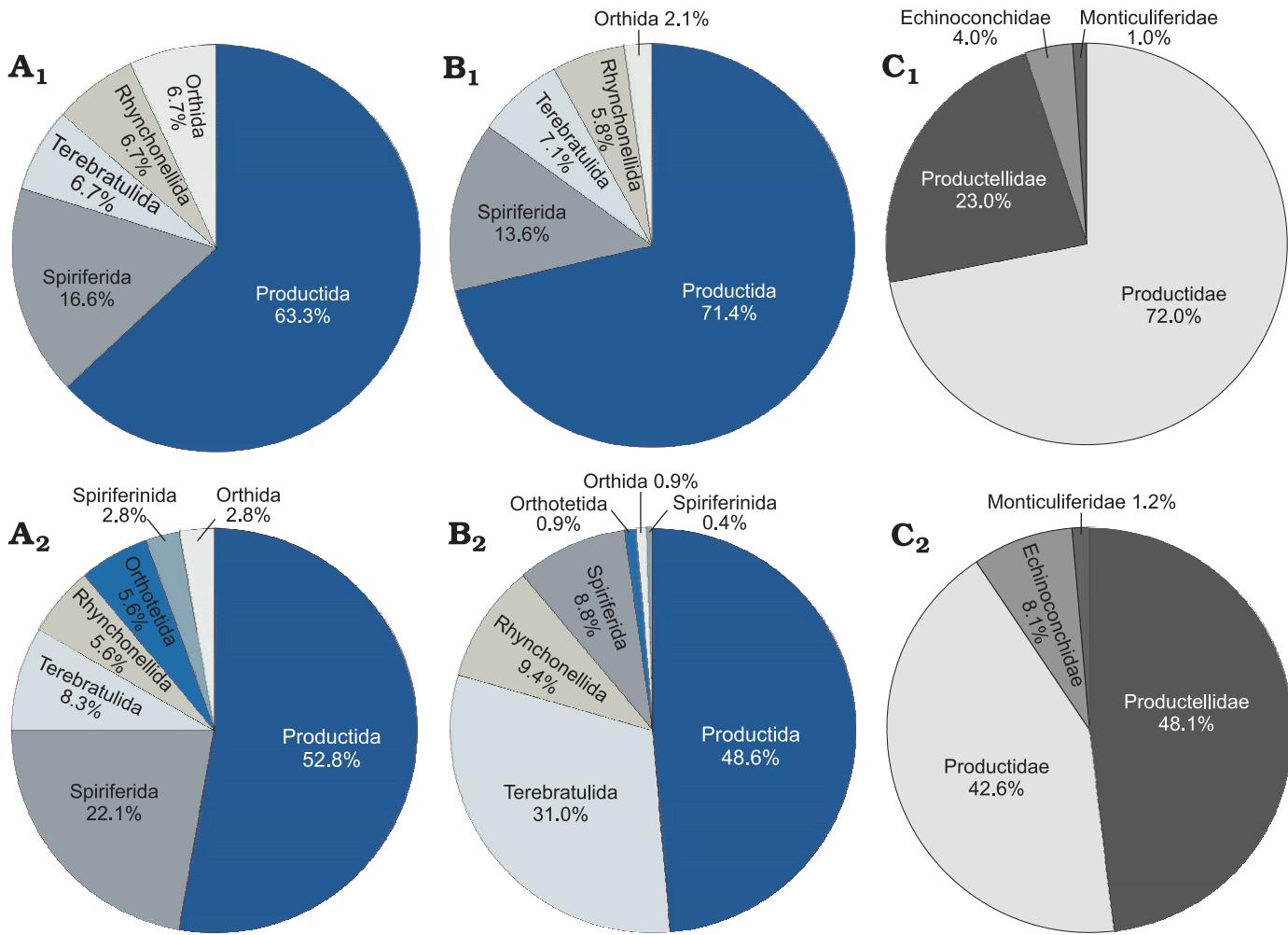


Fig. 6. Pie diagrams showing composition of the Brigantian (uppermost Visean) Ricklow Quarry mud mound complex brachiopod fauna. A. Species percentage distribution of the various brachiopod orders for unit FA1 (A₁), FA2 (A₂). B. Specimen percentage distribution of the various brachiopod orders for unit FA1 (B₁), FA2 (B₂). C. Specimen percentage distribution of the various families of the order Productida for unit FA1 (C₁), FA2 (C₂).

cies in FA2, five in FA1). Rhynchonellides occur as well in small percentages, alongside orthotetides, orthides, and spiriferinides (Fig. 6A₂, B₂). Diversity indices and dominance are, however, similar between FA1 and FA2 (Table 1).

In the flank beds (FA3), brachiopods are abundant in the proximity of the mud mound complex core, whereas they become sparser away from it. They are similarly well preserved: some productides occur articulated but convex-up, not in life position. Productides are still dominant in terms of species (seven in a total of 14) and specimen number (47.6%). Orthides are also abundant (28.6% of specimens).

Based on their biostratinomic features (articulation, life-position, absence of fracturing, and corrosion), the brachiopod assemblages in FA1 and FA2 are interpreted as neighbourhood to life assemblages, i.e., that suffered limited or no transport (sensu Brenchley and Harper 1998). In FA3, the collected brachiopod assemblage is a neighbourhood one. As these beds had a depositional dip at the time, it is likely that gravity and faint currents moved down-slope and overturned some specimens living on the mud mound complex flank.

Our detailed study shows that brachiopods are much more homogeneously distributed in the mud mound complex both in terms of density of specimens and diversity with respect to the model proposed by Gutteridge (1990), who reported brachiopods from Ricklow Quarry mud mound core to occur only in decimetre-scale “pockets”. We did not find any discrete concentrations with a clearly distinguishable higher abundance and diversity of fossil brachiopods. This topic will be covered in more detail in a work in progress on the Ricklow Quarry mud mound complex, dealing with its facies architecture and depositional model.

Discussion

The neighbourhood to life brachiopod assemblages of the mud mound complex in Ricklow Quarry show a variety of lifestyles and trophic strategies that provide valuable insights when analysed in relation to the three facies associations.

Spinose, concavo-convex productides are dominant in the mud mound complex fauna. These have been commonly

considered as adapted to live on soft muddy substrates, with a semifaunal lifestyle (e.g., Muir-Wood and Cooper 1960; Thayer 1975; Brunton and Mundy 1988; Leighton et al. 1996). According to Mundy (1980), Productellidae and Echinocochidae were shallow semifaunal taxa, while long-tailed productoids such as species of *Productus*, *Antiquatoria*, and *Dictyoclostus* lived with more than one half of their valve inside the muddy substrate. Only species of *Carringtonia* may have lived differently, as they had a shallow corpus cavity and short trail, characters which were interpreted by Martinez-Chacon (2010) as adaptations to live on hard substrates with attachment by spines. Orthides, rhynchonellides, spiriferides, spiriferinides, and terebratulides were attached by pedicles and were thus adapted to a wider range of substrates (Brunton 1982, 1984, 1987; Harper and Jeffrey 1996; Richardson 1997). Though orthotetides had almost complete pseudodeltidia (McIntosh 1974), Grant (1980) described koskinoid perforations in some species of *Schuchertella* and *Schellwienella*; these perforations were likely openings for pedicle fibrils, used for attachment. Some pedicle-attached brachiopods in the Ricklow Quarry fauna show adaptations that can be interpreted as addressed to increase the surface-volume ratio to prevent sinking in soft muddy substrates. These brachiopods were ambitopic: they were initially fixed by their pedicle but when adult they lived free on the seafloor. These are orthides and orthotetides, with a wide flat shell (“snowshoe strategy”, Copper 1992), and some spiriferides and spiriferinides with a wide inter-area (species of *Fusella*, *Latibrachythyris*, *Punctospirifer*; “ski strategy”, Copper 1992; Legrand-Blain 1986). Other spiriferides (Martiniinae, Reticularioidea), rhynchonellides, and terebratulides did not have a shell shape adapted to prevent sinking in muddy substrate and lived pedicle-attached to skeletal debris or on firm surfaces on the seafloor. However, Brunton (1987) and Harper and Jeffrey (1996) considered the rhynchonellide *Pleuropugnoides pleurodon* as ambitopic.

Brachiopod species in the fauna under study also show slightly different suspension-feeding strategies, based on their lophophore filtering efficiency. Productides had a simple feeding mechanism, the lophophore consisting of cilia attached to the dorsal brachial ridges (Muir-Wood and Cooper 1960; Perez-Huerta and Sheldon 2006). Orthotetides, orthides, and rhynchonellides had simple lophophores, while spiriferides and terebratulides had complex, supported spirolophore and plectolophore lophophores, respectively (Richardson 1997). Productides with their simple unsupported lophophore were able to generate multi-directional currents and were capable to filter food resources from a larger area around the shell with respect to more complex lophophore bearing brachiopods as spiriferides (Perez Huerta and Sheldon 2006; Angiolini 2007). Thus, productides are considered able to exploit environments with scarce and scattered food resources, while spiriferides were favoured and reached a large size in eutrophic settings by generating strong unidirectional inhalant currents (Perez Huerta and Sheldon 2006). Studies on modern plectolophic terebratulides *Terebratulina septentrionalis* (Couthouy, 1838), *Liothyrella neozelanica* Thomson, 1918, *Neothyris lenticularis* (Deshayes, 1839), and modern spirolophic rhynchonellide *Hemithiris psittacea* (Gmelin, 1791) demonstrated that in environments with a high concentration of food particles, brachiopods with plectolophic lophophore are not as efficient as the ones with spirolophic lophophore (Rhodes and Thompson 1992, 1993; Peck et al. 1997). Therefore, terebratulides were likely better suited to mesotrophic environments.

Based on their lifestyle and feeding strategy, the brachiopods under study were classified into three groups: (i) productides, with a semifaunal lifestyle and a simple, unsupported lophophore; (ii) pedicle-attached rhynchonellides, spiriferides, and terebratulides, with a generally efficient and complex lophophore; (iii) pedicle-attached/free-living orthotetides, orthides, spiriferides, and spiriferinides with morphological adaptation to softgrounds, with a low to high-efficiency feeding mechanism. *Carringtonia cf. carringtoniana* (Davidson, 1862a) was excluded from the count. To assess the distribution of these groups in the facies architecture of the mud mound complex, the biovolume was considered instead of the number of specimens. As biovolume is related to metabolic requirement, it is a better measure of the energy flow and functioning of a palaeocommunity (Powell and Stanton 1985; Angiolini 2007).

In the mud mound complex basal unit (FA1) productides and pedicle-attached brachiopods with adaptations to soft substrate dominate in terms of biovolume (Table 1; Fig. 7A). In fact, these are also the taxa that attain larger sizes in the assemblages; in particular specimens of *Dictyoclostus pinguis* (Muir-Wood, 1928), *Echinocochus punctatus* (Sowerby, 1822) (up to 51 mm in width), *Antiquatoria hindei* (Muir-Wood, 1928) (up to 35.5 mm in width) among the productides, alongside the orthide *Schizophoria resupinata* (up to 56.6 mm

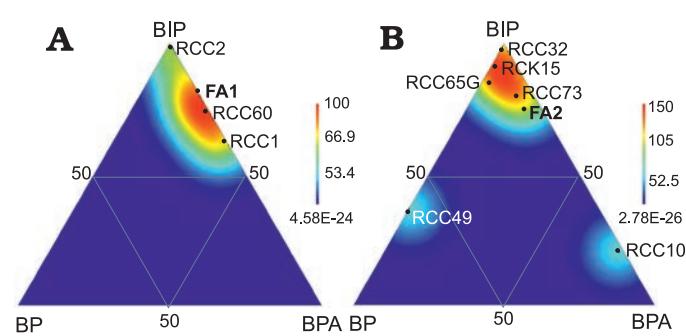


Fig. 7. Density maps in ternary diagrams showing percentages of brachiopod biovolume for the three different ecological groups (semifaunal productides; pedicle-attached rhynchonellides, spiriferides, and terebratulides; pedicle-attached/free-living orthotetides, orthides, spiriferides, and spiriferinides with adaptation to softgrounds), calculated for FA1 (A), FA2 (B) and some collected assemblages with more than 20 specimens from FA1 (A) and FA2 (B) (see Table 2). Diagrams plotted with PAST software (Hammer et al. 2001). Abbreviations: BIP, biovolume of semifaunal productides; BP, biovolume of pedicle attached rhynchonellides, spiriferides, and terebratulides (low to high efficiency); BPA, biovolume of pedicle attached/free living orthotetides, orthides, spiriferides, spiriferinides (low to high efficiency).

in width) and the spiriferide *Latibrachythyris* cf. *crassa* (up to 50 mm in width). Spiriferides adapted to soft substrates alone represent 11.3% of the total biovolume in FA1. Pedicle-attached brachiopods with no adaptation to soft substrates represent a small percentage in biovolume because they have a limited number of specimens and are smaller in size.

Biovolume distribution in FA1 likely reflects the combined occurrence of abundant soft allomicrite substrates, as shown by facies analysis, and a mesotrophic environment with food resources sufficiently abundant to enable spiriferides to thrive alongside productides.

Productides dominate as well in terms of biovolume in the mound complex core (FA2), where there is a higher variability between assemblages (Table 1; Fig. 7B). Maximum dimensions are reached by the productides: *Dictyoclostus pinguis* (up to 67 mm in width), *Echinoconchus punctatus* (up to 59.5 mm in width), *Linoprotonia* sp. (up to 35 mm in width), and *Antiquatonia hinda* (up to 43 mm in width), with the only exception of the rare orthotetide *Serratocrista aff. dalriensis* McIntosh, 1974 (up to 52 mm) and a few *Schizophoria resupinata* specimens (up to 35 mm in width). Spiriferides with morphological adaptations to soft substrates are small-sized in the complex core, with a moderate maximum size reached by *Latibrachythyris rotundata* (Sowerby, 1825) (up to 19 mm in width) and *Brachythryrididae* gen. et sp. indet. (up to 26 mm in width); they represent a minor percentage of the total biovolume (4.5%). Pedicle-attached brachiopods with no adaptation to soft substrates, mainly rhynchonellides, Reticularioidea, and terebratulides are abundant in terms of specimen numbers in the mud mound complex core (Fig. 6B₂), but do not occupy a major proportion of the biovolume as they are small. Survivorship curves (Thayer 1975) built for *Quasiavonia aculeata* (Sowerby, 1814) and *Harttella oakleyi* (SOM 3, 4) show that the mortality at the juvenile stage was low in two of the three groups considered.

The dominance of productides in terms of biovolume, coupled with the low juvenile mortality in FA2 and small dimensions of the spiriferides, suggests a stable environment with scarce and scattered food resources. Instead, the success of productides can not be related in the mound complex core to the presence of soft substrates, which were likely limited. In fact, the abundance of specimens of pedicle-attached rhynchonellides, spiriferides, and terebratulides is indicative of a more varied substrate with respect to FA1: microbial mats and in situ precipitated allomicrite most probably formed firmgrounds; limited hardgrounds were represented by bryozoan fronds and brachiopod shells. The higher abundance and diversity of Productellidae in the mound complex core might be related as well to less soft muddy substrates. Firm substrates may have prevented also the abundance of orthides, which are few in the complex core, even though they were able to reach a large size. However, hardgrounds were not laterally distributed enough to allow colonization by shell-attached Strophalosioidea and Aulostegoidea, typical in the “Cracoean” framework reefs from the upper Visean of England (Brunton and Mundy

1988; Brunton and Tilsley 1991). Food resources shortage, coupled with more stable substrates, can be interpreted as related to lower hydrodynamic energy conditions in the mud mound complex core with respect to the basal FA1 unit.

In conclusion, productides are dominant in the two facies associations and were favoured in FA1 by moderate nutrient supply and soft substrates, in FA2 by scarce and scattered nutrient supply. Spiriferides adapted to soft substrates were not able to successfully adapt to the mud mound complex core (FA2) more varied substrates likely because food resources were limited. Rhynchonellides, Reticularioidea, and terebratulides distribution was mainly controlled by substrate, though food resources may have played a role in limiting the maximum size they reached. The distribution of orthides was mainly controlled by substrate type. Orthotetides are rare in the mud mound complex, but were able to attain a large size; apparently, they did not usually occur together with productides (McIntosh 1974) even though the reason for this is unclear.

Considering not only the brachiopods, but also the associated biota of bryozoans, siliceous sponges, bivalves, and crinoids, the palaeocommunities in the mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry are dominated by suspension feeders; grazers such as gastropods and trilobites are very rare. The scarcity of bioturbation in the mound facies reflects the absence of infaunal deposit feeders. Few predation marks were detected on brachiopod shells, and goniophores and fish scales were rarely found in petrographic thin sections. This contrasts with other upper Visean localities, such as skeletal grainstone beds adjacent to mounds in Ireland (Brunton 1987) and framework reefs in North Yorkshire (Mundy 1982), where predation marks by gastropods and cephalopods are much more common. The reconstructed food chain for the mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry is thus a suspension-feeding food chain with a variety of suspension feeders that collected food resources in different ways.

Epifaunal tiering in FA1 and FA2 likely consisted of three levels, roughly corresponding to the ones identified by Ausich and Bottjer (1982) for Phanerozoic suspension feeder communities in soft substrates. The lowest level (first 5 cm) was dominated by semifaunal productides; large, long-tailed Productidae such as species of *Antiquatonia* and *Dictyoclostus* were capable of accessing resources at a higher level in comparison with small Productellidae such as species of *Alitaria*, *Krotovia*, and *Quasiavonia*. This level also hosted epifaunal bivalves. The intermediate tiering level (5–10 cm) was dominated by siliceous sponges and fenestellid bryozoans. Bryozoans were also capable of reaching the highest tiering level, up to 20 cm above the seafloor (Ausich and Bottjer 1982) alongside sparse crinoids. Some young productides were capable of attaching to crinoids and bryozoans with their larval-juvenile pedicle and “clasping spines” (Brunton 1966), thus inhabiting the intermediate and highest tiering level and avoiding competition from other brachiopods until they reached a larger size. This may have been also the case for some pedicle-attached bra-

chiopods (e.g., *Pleuropugnoides pleurodon*, *Phricodothyris paricosta* George, 1932, *Phricodothyris periculosa* George, 1932, and *Harttella oakleyi*). Otherwise, these taxa inhabited the lowest tiering level.

In the flank beds (FA3) the lowest tiering level was also dominated by productides, alongside orthides (*Schizophoria resupinata*) which lived on the seafloor. Taxa found in the intermediate level (sponges and bryozoans) were scarce, while the highest tiering level (up to 20 cm height) was occupied by abundant crinoids.

Conclusions

The systematic study of the brachiopod fauna from the Brigantian, uppermost Visean (Mississippian) mud mound complex in Ricklow Quarry led to the recognition of 45 species, representing 36 genera and seven orders (Productida, Orthotetida, Orthida, Rhynchonellida, Spiriferida, Spiriferinida, and Terebratulida). The study revealed a fauna with a much higher orthotetide, spiriferide, and terebratulide diversity than previously known from faunal lists presented for the locality.

In the mound complex, brachiopods are not concentrated in “pockets” in the complex core as suggested by Gutteridge (1990), but are widespread and very abundant in all the three facies associations, representing one of the most important skeletal components of the mud mound palaeocommunities. Brachiopods are commonly found articulated and in life position, and are thus interpreted as life to neighbourhood assemblages. Productides are dominant in terms of species and specimen numbers both in the mound complex basal FA1 unit, the FA2 core, and FA3 flank beds.

Productides and spiriferides with a wide interarea dominate in terms of biovolume in the FA1 unit, while productides alone dominate in the FA2 mound complex core. The success of productides is interpreted as related to scarce and scattered food resources, which they were able to exploit with their simple, unsupported feeding mechanism with respect to spiriferides. This is in agreement with the intraplatform middle-ramp environment proposed for the mound complex by previous authors (Nolan et al. 2017). The abundance and large size of spiriferides with a wide interarea in FA1 may be due to the more widespread occurrence of soft muddy substrates and higher food resources. The presence of diverse rhynchonellides, Reticularioidea, and terebratulides in the FA2 mound complex core, though small-sized, is indicative of more varied, firmer substrates.

In conclusion, the mound ecosystem at Ricklow Quarry supported an abundant and diverse brachiopod fauna whose main distribution controlling factor was the availability of food resources. These were scarce and scattered, especially during deposition of the mound complex core. Substrate type also played a role in controlling brachiopod diversity: varied substrates led to the success of rhynchonellides and terebratulides in the FA2 mound complex core.

Systematic palaeontology

- Phylum Brachiopoda Duméril, 1806
- Subphylum Rhynchonelliformea Williams, Alwyn, Carlson, Brunton, Holmer, and Popov, 1996
- Class Strophomenata Williams, Alwyn, Carlson, Brunton, Holmer, and Popov, 1996
- Order Productida Sarycheva and Sokolskaya, 1959
- Suborder Productidina Waagen, 1883
- Superfamily Productoidea Gray, 1840
- Family Productellidae Schuchert, 1929
- Subfamily Productininae Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960
- Tribe Paramarginiferini Lazarev, 1986
- Genus *Alitaria* Cooper and Muir-Wood, 1967

Type species: *Alifera konincki* Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960, from the Visé Formation, upper Tournaisian–Visean, Belgium.

Remarks.—Muir-Wood and Cooper (1960) described the genus as characterised by a cincture, an external narrow groove bordering the ventral corpus anteriorly. However, the cincture is poorly visible even in some of the specimens of *Alitaria konincki* figured by Muir-Wood and Cooper (1960: pl. 66: 6–12) from the Visean of Belgium.

Alitaria differs from *Eomarginifera* Brunton, 1966, from the Visean of Ireland in having a ventral sulcus, larger ears and a different spine arrangement. It also differs from *Eomarginifera* Muir-Wood, 1930, of the Productidae Gray, 1840, from the Mississippian of Great Britain, in having much larger ears and a strong ventral subperipheral rim.

Alitaria aff. triquetra (Muir-Wood, 1928)

Fig. 8A–E.

Material.—Eleven articulated specimens: MPUM11860 (RCC2-13); MPUM11861 (RCC12-2); MPUM11862 (RCC60-2); MPUM11863 (RCC2-17, 24; RCC11-4; RCC32-1c, 28b; RCC32B-6; RCC60-29; RCC128-9). Five ventral valves: MPUM11864 (RCC2-40); MPUM11865 (RCC1-19, 57; RCC32C-1a; RCC300-11). Six dorsal valves: MPUM11866 (RCC128-13); MPUM11867 (RCC2-3; RCC11-2; RCC32-8a, 29; RCC60-18a). Five fragments: MPUM11868 (RCC10-4; RCC32-3; RCC32C-1d; RCC36-8; RCC49-25). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Small, concavo-convex shell with transversely subtriangular outline; cardinal margin corresponding to maximum width. Ears large, cylindrical, separated by a narrow groove. Cardinal angles right to slightly acute. Both valves geniculated; lateral profile spiral. Corpus cavity moderately deep. Anterior commissure broadly unipliate. Ventral visceral disc moderately convex, geniculation angle 75°. Trail long, moderately convex. Sulcus starting

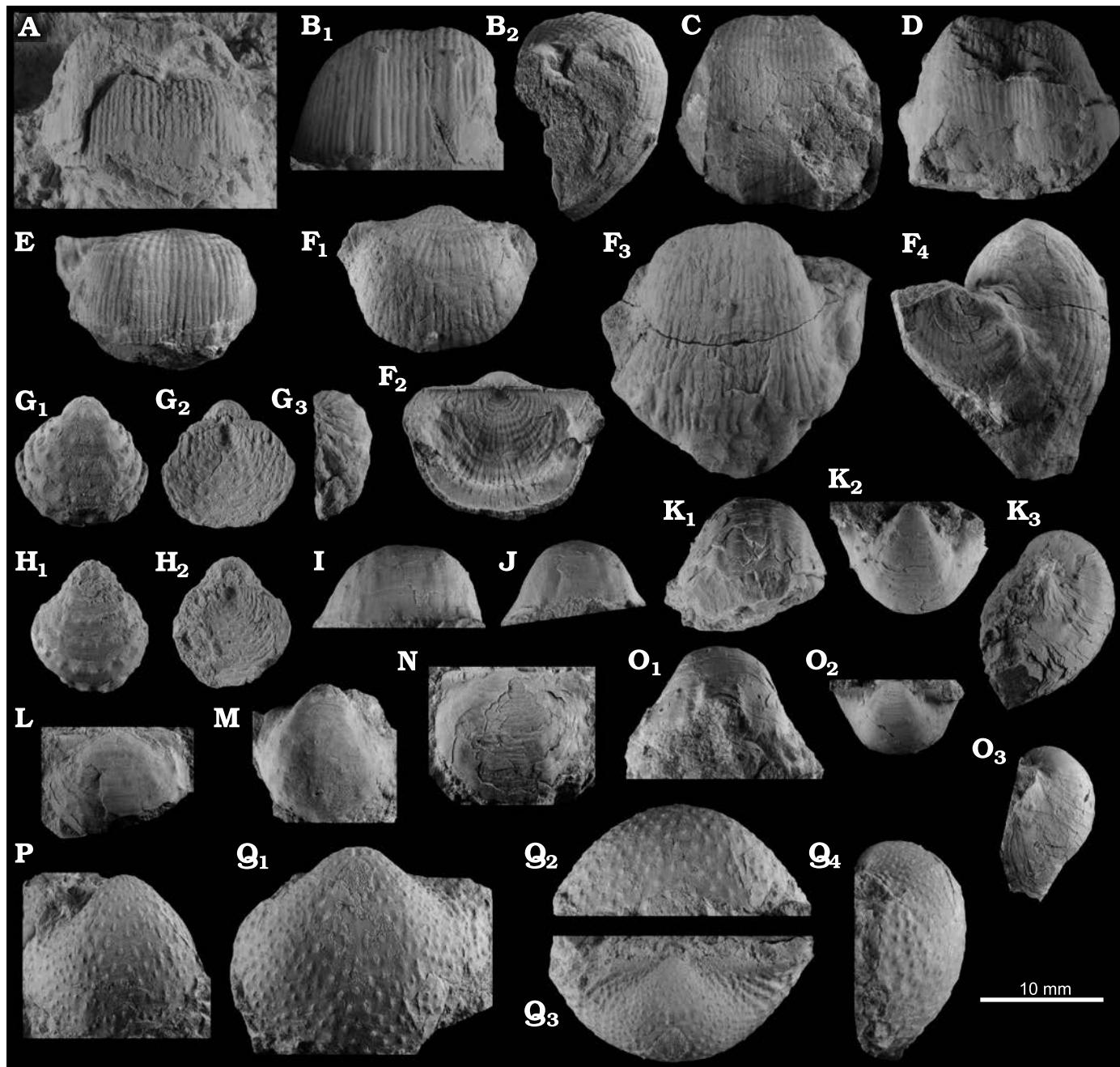


Fig. 8. Productellidae from the Brigantian (uppermost Visean) of Ricklow Quarry, near Monyash (localities RCC-, RCK-; see Fig. 3) and Wensley Dale, near Matlock (locality WI1; see Fig. 2), Derbyshire, UK. **A–E.** *Alitaria* aff. *triquetra* (Muir-Wood, 1928). **A.** MPUM11860 (RCC2-13) in anterior view. **B.** MPUM11861 (RCC12-2) in anterior (**B₁**) and lateral (**B₂**) views. **C.** MPUM11862 (RCC60-2) in antero-ventral view. **D.** MPUM11864 (RCC2-40), ventral valve in antero-ventral view. **E.** MPUM11866 (RCC128-13), dorsal valve in anterior view. **F.** *Eomarginifera trispina* Brunton, 1966, MPUM11869 (WI1-31) in ventral (**F₁**), dorsal (**F₂**), anterior (**F₃**), and lateral (**F₄**) views. **G, H.** *Overtonia fimbriata* (Sowerby, 1824). **G.** MPUM11870 (RCK15-1b) in ventral (**G₁**), dorsal (**G₂**), and lateral (**G₃**) views. **H.** MPUM11871 (RCK15-53) in ventral (**H₁**) and dorsal (**H₂**) views. **I.** *Avonia* sp., MPUM11872 (RCC128-4a), ventral valve in anterior view. **J–N.** *Quasiavonia aculeata* (Sowerby, 1814). **J.** MPUM11873 (RCC32-28a) in anterior view. **K.** MPUM11874 (RCC49-28) in anterior (**K₁**), postero-ventral (**K₂**), and lateral (**K₃**) views. **L.** MPUM11877 (RCC49-24) dorsal valve interior and external cast. **M.** MPUM11875 (RCK17-2) in ventral view. **N.** MPUM11878 (RCK15-51) dorsal valve interior. **O.** ?*Quasiavonia* sp., MPUM11883 (RCC3-11); anterior (**O₁**), posterior (**O₂**), and lateral (**O₃**) views. **P, Q.** *Krotovia spinulosa* (Sowerby, 1814). **P.** MPUM11884 (RCC54-17b) in ventral view. **Q.** MPUM11885 (RCC68-2) in ventral (**Q₁**), anterior (**Q₂**), posterior (**Q₃**), and lateral (**Q₄**) views.

from visceral disc mid-length, shallow, subrounded, increasing in width anteriorly up to geniculation and being uniform on the trail. Dorsal disc slightly concave, 10.0 mm long; geniculation angle 90°. Trail long. Low, rounded fold

developed near umbo, extending on trail, 6.0 mm wide anteriorly.

Ornamentation consists of low, rounded ribs with wide interspaces on visceral discs, becoming prominent, with nar-

row interspaces on trails. They number 9–10 per 5.0 mm at the geniculation, 6–8 per 5.0 mm at the anterior margin. Sulcus-bounding costae becoming more prominent anteriorly and bifurcating immediately anterior to spines. Both ventral and dorsal discs are ornamented by low, subquadrate rugae, resulting in a reticulate ornamentation. Rugae number 6 per 5.0 mm and become obsolete on ears. Small spines scattered on ventral disc and cardinal margin. Two symmetrical spines on the ventral disc flanks, at mid-length. Two symmetrical large spines, posteriorly projected, at the cardinal extremities. Two symmetrical halteroid spines, laterally projected, on flanks at geniculation. Two symmetrical halteroid spines on ventral trail mid-length, arising from sulcus-bounding costae.

Remarks.—The specimens resemble *Alitaria triquetra*, erected by Muir-Wood (1928) based on specimens from the upper Visean of Derbyshire, in their dimensions and ornamentation. Also, they show a similar arrangement of the pair of spines at trail mid-length as the specimens of *A. triquetra* figured by Muir-Wood (1928: pl. 11: 7a–c; pl. 12: 18a–c). However, they have a flatter ventral visceral disc, a sulcus that persists on the trail and finer rib interspaces. Also, they lack the nasute anterior extension of the trail and the cincture which Muir-Wood (1928) claimed to be present in some specimens. The specimens differ from *A. panderi* (Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960), from the upper Visean of Great Britain and Ireland, in being larger, in having a ventral sulcus and in having more distinct and coarser ribs.

Genus *Eomarginifera* Brunton, 1966

Type species: *Eomarginifera trispina* Brunton, 1966, from the middle Visean of County Fermanagh, Ireland.

Remarks.—*Eomarginifera* differs from *Eomarginifera* in having three, rather than four, halteroid spines on the trail, different dorsal adductor scars and a dorsal subperipheral rim not reaching the anterior margin.

Eomarginifera trispina Brunton, 1966

Fig. 8F.

1928 *Productus minutus*; Muir-Wood 1928: 195 (pars).

1966 *Eomarginifera* (*Eomarginifera*) *trispina*; Brunton 1966: pl. 15: 9–22; pl. 16: 1–22; text-fig. 11.

1991 *Eomarginifera trispina* Brunton, 1966; Brunton and Tilsley 1991: 191.

2000 *Eomarginifera trispina* Brunton, 1966; Brunton et al. 2000: fig. 282: 2a–h.

Material.—One articulated specimen: MPUM11869 (W11-31) from Wensley Dale, Matlock, Derbyshire, UK, Eym Limestone Formation, upper Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Small, concavo-convex shell with transversely semicircular outline; cardinal margin wide, almost corresponding to maximum width. Ears small, slightly convex, separated by a narrow groove. Cardinal angles right. Both valves geniculated; lateral profile tight spiral. Corpus cavity deep. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Ventral visceral disc moderately convex; geniculation angle 100°. Trail long, strongly convex, nasute: anterior extension start-

ing at 20.0 mm from geniculation, prominent. Dorsal disc slightly concave; geniculation angle 90°. Trail long, nasute. Ornamentation consists of low, rounded ribs, becoming coarser anteriorly (1.2 mm); interspaces narrow. Ribs increase in number anteriorly by intercalation. They number seven per 5.0 mm at geniculation and on trail. Both ventral and dorsal discs ornamented by low, subquadrate rugae, resulting in reticulate ornamentation. They number eight per 5.0 mm length. Rugae absent on ears. One row of small spines bases on cardinal margin. Two symmetrical postero-laterally directed spines on ears, near the cardinal margin. Two symmetrical halteroid spines on flanks at the geniculation. One halteroid spine in the middle of the ventral trail.

Remarks.—The specimen resembles the specimens of *Eomarginifera trispina* described by Brunton (1966) from the Visean of County Fermanagh, Ireland, in its nasute trail, absence of a ventral sulcus, ribs density, and halteroid spines on the trail. However, it differs in being larger, in having a slightly tighter spiral profile and in having spines postero-laterally directed on ears, near the cardinal margin, which are apparently absent in the County Fermanagh specimens (Brunton 1966).

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Eomarginifera trispina* is recorded in the Asbian, upper Visean, of County Fermanagh in Ireland (Brunton 1966) and the Brigantian, uppermost Visean, of Derbyshire (this study).

Subfamily Overtoniinae Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960

Tribe Overtoniini Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960

Genus *Overtonia* Thomas, 1914

Type species: *Producta fimbriata* Sowerby, 1824, from the Mississippian of Derbyshire, England.

Remarks.—*Overtonia* differs from *Avonia* Thomas, 1914, and other genera of the Overtoniinae in having prominent concentric rugae, each bearing a single row of spine bases.

Overtonia fimbriata (Sowerby, 1824)

Fig. 8G, H.

1809 *Conchyliolithus Anomites (punctatus)*; Martin 1809 (pars): pl. 37: 7–8, non 6.

1824 *Producta fimbriata*; Sowerby 1824: 85, pl. 549: 1.

1862 *Productus fimbriatus* Sowerby, 1824; Davidson 1862a: 171, pl. 33: 12–15; non pl. 44: 15. (cum syn.)

1914 *Overtonia fimbriata* (Sowerby, 1824); Thomas 1914: 259, 335, pl. 20: 12–17. (cum syn.)

1960 *Overtonia fimbriata* (Sowerby, 1824); Muir-Wood and Cooper 1960: 183, pl. 46: 10–20.

1965 *Overtonia fimbriata* (Sowerby, 1824); Muir-Wood 1965: fig. 339: 1: a–e.

1966 *Overtonia fimbriata* (Sowerby, 1824); Brunton 1966: 214–218, pl. 9: 1–13; pl. 10: 1–7; text-fig. 9.

1985 *Overtonia fimbriata* (Sowerby, 1824); Brunton 1985: fig. 9: a–d.

1991 *Overtonia fimbriata* (Sowerby 1824); Brunton and Tilsley 1991: 289.

2000 *Overtonia fimbriata* (Sowerby 1824); Brunton et al. 2000: fig. 283: 1a–g.

Material.—Two articulated specimens: MPUM11870 (RCK15-1b); MPUM11871 (RCK15-53) from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Small, concavo-convex shell with subtriangular outline; cardinal margin wide, corresponding to the maximum width. Corpus cavity deep. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Dorsal valve moderately concave. Fold-sulcus absent, trail very short.

Ornamentation consists of low, subrounded rugae with broad interspaces, becoming closer and lamellose on flanks. Rugae number three per 7.0 mm length. Rugae bearing regularly spaced, coarse, elongated spine bases. Dorsal valve with lamellae with regularly spaced dimples. Regularly concentric growth lines on both valves.

Cardinal process stout, lateral ridges diverging anteriorly at an angle of 20° from the cardinal margin.

Remarks.—The specimens belong to *Overtonia fimbriata* for the characteristic ornamentation and the disposition of the lateral ridges (Muir-Wood and Cooper 1960; Brunton et al. 2000). They differ from *O. laciniata* (M'Coy, 1844), as the latter has a greater number of rugae and smaller, more numerous spine bases.

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Overtonia fimbriata* is recorded in several middle–upper Visean units in Great Britain and Ireland (e.g., Davidson 1862a; Thomas 1914; Wolfenden 1958; Brunton 1966; Mitchell 1971; Brunton and Tilsley 1991; Dean 2017; this study), Belgium (Davidson 1862a), and Germany (Winkler-Prins and Amher 2006).

Tribe Avoniini Sarycheva, 1960

Genus *Avonia* Thomas, 1914

Type species: *Productus youngianus* Davidson, 1860a, from the Visean of Scotland.

Remarks.—*Avonia* differs from *Quasiavonia* Brunton, 1966, in having narrow faint costae covering all valve surface except the umbonal region, instead of the broad, low ones restricted to the anterior portion of both valves which characterise the latter, and in having weaker and more regular lamellae. Moreover, *Avonia* is smaller in size, more elongated in outline and has a shallower corpus cavity. *Avonia* differs from *Breileenia* Brunton and Lazarev, 1997, of the Marginiferinae Stehlík, 1954, in being smaller, not geniculated, and in having fainter, narrower costae, but stronger lamellae. *Avonia* differs from *Institifera* Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960, in having a markedly shallower corpus cavity, more elongated outline, less prominent delayed costae and in lacking a gutter anteriorly.

Avonia sp.

Fig. 8I.

Material.—One ventral valve internal cast: MPUM11872 (RCC128-4a) from mud mound complex of Ricklow

Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Remarks.—The specimen is an internal cast of a small, elongated ventral valve. The valve is enrolled, with no fold or sulcus. The trail bears faint delayed costation; costae are low and narrow (3–4 per 5.0 mm anteriorly), with wide, rounded interspaces. The shell morphology, dimensions and ornamentation are that typical of species of *Avonia*, but because of the poor preservation the specimen is left under open nomenclature.

Genus *Quasiavonia* Brunton, 1966

Type species: *Productus aculeatus* Sowerby, 1814, from Asbian–Brigantian, upper Visean, of Derbyshire, England.

Quasiavonia aculeata (Sowerby, 1814)

Fig. 8J–N.

1809 *Conchyliolithus Anomites (aculeatus)*; Martin 1809: 8, pl. 37: 9–10.

1814 *Productus aculeatus*; Sowerby 1814: 156, pl. 68: 4.

1862 *Productus aculeatus* Sowerby, 1814; Davidson 1862a: 166, pl. 33: 16–17, ?18, non 19, ?20. (cum syn.)

1914 *Pustula aculeata* Sowerby, 1814; Thomas 1914: 320, pl. 19: 9–10, ?11. (cum syn.)

1951 *Productus (?Krotovia) aculeatus* Sowerby, 1814; Muir-Wood 1951: 101, pl. 3: 3.

non 1966 *Avonia (Quasiavonia) aculeata* (Sowerby, 1814); Brunton 1966: 220, pl. 10: 8–17; pl. 11: 1–21.

1991 *Quasiavonia aculeata* (Sowerby, 1814); Brunton and Tilsley 1991: 292.

2000 *Quasiavonia aculeata* (Sowerby, 1814); Brunton et al. 2000, fig. 284: 2a–e.

Material.—Twenty articulated specimens: MPUM11873 (RCC32-28a); MPUM11874 (RCC49-28); MPUM11875 (RCK17-2); MPUM11876 (RCC1-8e, 25; RCC2-12; RCC32-11; RCC41-24; RCC42-4a; RCC43-73; RCC48-13; RCC49-1, 42; RCC54-1; RCC65G-15a, 15b; RCC73-6, 23g; RCC85-3d; RCK15-55). Sixteen dorsal valves: MPUM11877 (RCC49-24); MPUM11878 (RCK15-51); MPUM11879 (RCC128-4b); MPUM11880 (RCC1-8d; RCC1B-20b; RCC10-13; RCC32-2, 17; RCC42-12a; RCC49-8, 10a, 10b; RCC68-51a, 51b; RCC85-2); MPUM11881 (WI1-27). Eight fragments: MPUM11882 (RCC10-39b; RCC14-8; RCC49-11; RCC65G-8c; RCC68-9; RCC128-23; RCC300-12; RCK15-35). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian (RCC-, RCK-), and Wensley Dale, Matlock, Derbyshire, UK, Eyam Limestone Formation, upper Brigantian, upper Visean (WI1).

Description.—Small, concavo-convex shell with subtriangular outline; cardinal margin wide; maximum width at shell mid-length. Ears small, convex; cardinal angles obtuse. Corpus cavity moderately deep. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Ventral valve strongly and regularly convex. Dorsal valve concave. Fold-sulcus absent, trail long.

Ornamentation consists of irregular, imbricated lamellae, each 1.0–4.0 mm wide. Broad, faint delayed costae developed on ventral and dorsal trails, starting 8.0–9.0 mm

from the umbo, with rounded interspaces. Lamellae cross ribs. Rounded spine bases roughly arranged in quincunx over ventral valve. Dorsal valve bearing similarly disposed rounded pits.

Remarks.—The specimens are close to the lectotype of *Quasiavonia aculeata* from the Brigantian, upper Visean, around Bakewell (Derbyshire), which was selected by Muir-Wood (1951: 102) and figured by Brunton et al. (2000). They are also similar to the specimens of *Q. aculeata* figured by Davidson (1862a) and Thomas (1914) from the Visean of Derbyshire and the Isle of Man respectively. They differ from *Quasiavonia minnanensis* Brunton in Brunton and Lazarev, 1997, in having spine bases arranged quincuncially, rather than concentrically.

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Quasiavonia aculeata* is recorded in the Asbian–Brigantian, upper Visean, of Great Britain and Ireland (e.g., Thomas 1914; Gutteridge 1990; Brunton and Tilsley 1991; this study). The species is also recorded in the Visean of Germany (Winkler-Prins and Amher 2006).

?*Quasiavonia* sp.

Fig. 8O.

Material.—One articulated specimen: MPUM11883 (RCC3-11) from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Remarks.—The specimen is similar to the specimens assigned to *Quasiavonia aculeata* from the same localities, but it differs in having a quadrate anterior nasute extension of the ventral trail, starting at 10.0 mm from the umbo.

Tribe Krotoviini Brunton, Lazarev, and Grant, 1995 Genus *Krotovia* Fredericks, 1928

Type species: *Productus spinulosus* Sowerby, 1814, from the Visean of Great Britain.

Remarks.—*Krotovia* differs from other genera in the Overtoniinae (e.g., *Overtonia*, *Avonia*, and *Quasiavonia*), by the lack of strongly developed rugae and lamellae.

Krotovia spinulosa (Sowerby, 1814)

Figs. 8P, Q, 9A–E.

1814 *Productus spinulosus*; Sowerby 1814: 155, pl. 68: 3.

1862 *Productus spinulosus* Sowerby, 1814; Davidson 1862a: 175, pl. 34: 18–19.

?1862 *Productus granulosus* Phillips, 1836; Davidson 1862a: 175, pl. 34: 20–21. (cum syn.)

1914 *Pustula spinulosa* Sowerby, 1814; Thomas 1914: 314, pl. 18: 7–9; pl. 19: 7, non 8. (cum syn.)

non 1943 *Krotovia spinulosa* (Sowerby, 1814); Prendergast 1943: 30, pl. 4: 19–24.

non 1957 *Krotovia spinulosa* (Sowerby, 1814); Coleman 1957: pl. 7: 19–24.

1960 *Krotovia spinulosa* (Sowerby, 1814); Muir-Wood and Cooper 1960: pl. 50: 1–5.

- 1965 *Krotovia spinulosa* (Sowerby, 1814); Muir-Wood 1965: fig. 340: 2a–d.
- ?1966 *Krotovia spinulosa* (Sowerby, 1814); Brunton 1966: 224, pl. 12: 1–18; pl. 13: 1–7. (cum syn.)
- 1989 *Krotovia spinulosa* (Sowerby, 1814); Wilson 1989: fig. 6d.
- 1991 *Krotovia spinulosa* (Sowerby, 1814); Brunton and Tilsley 1991: 289.
- 2000 *Krotovia spinulosa* (Sowerby, 1814); Brunton et al. 2000: fig. 287: 1a–e.

Material.—Sixteen articulated shells: MPUM11884 (RCC54-17b); MPUM11885 (RCC68-2); MPUM11886 (RCC73-22a); MPUM11887 (RCK15-10); MPUM11888 (RCC1-8f, 23a; RCC32-5a; RCC41-10a, 20a; RCC43-2a, 8a; RCC73-8, 11; RCC85-1b; RCK15-54; RCK16-1). Seven dorsal valves: MPUM11889 (RCC3-18); MPUM11891 (RCK15-16); MPUM11892 (RCK15-28); MPUM11893 (RCC10-24; RCC48-26a, 26b; RCK15-25). Seven fragments: MPUM11894 (RCC2-18; RCC12-4; RCC48-9; RCC49-29; RCC68-5; RCC73-23h; RCK15-44). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Small, concavo-convex shell with transversely suboval outline; cardinal margin wide; maximum width attained at one-third shell length. Ears small, flat. Corpus cavity shallow. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Dorsal valve strongly concave. Fold and sulcus absent. Trail long.

Rugae on umbonal slopes and ears and faint ribs on ventral valve. Ventral valve also covered by low, slightly elongated spine bases, quincuncially arranged, four in an area of 10.0 mm² at 5.0 mm from umbo. Regularly spaced, small rounded spines on ears aligned parallel to cardinal margin. Dorsal valve with small circular dimples, quincuncially arranged. Both valves covered by dense irregularly concentric growth lines, occasionally poorly developed lamellae.

Remarks.—The specimens are very similar both in outline and ornamentation to the holotype of *Krotovia spinulosa* from West Lothian (Scotland), figured by Davidson (1862a), the specimens figured by Sarycheva and Sokolskaya (1952) from the Moscow Basin and those figured by Muir-Wood and Cooper (1960) from the Mississippian of Cumberland (England). They differ from the specimens of *K. spinulosa* described by Brunton (1966) from the Glencar Limestone of County Fermanagh, Ireland (Asbian, upper Visean), as these show strong lamellose ornamentation and should be revised.

Krotovia granulosa (Phillips, 1836) from the Visean of Great Britain and Ireland was considered as a junior synonym of *K. spinulosa* by both M'Coy (1844) and Davidson (1862a). Based on the specimens figured by Davidson (1862a) from Yorkshire and Scotland, *K. granulosa* seems to differ from *K. spinulosa* in having larger, more concentrically arranged pustules.

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Krotovia spinulosa* is recorded from the middle–upper Visean of Great

Britain and Ireland (e.g., Sowerby 1814; Davidson 1862a; Parkinson 1926; Wolfenden 1958; Muir-Wood and Cooper 1960; Brunton 1966; Mitchell 1971; Wilson 1989; Brunton and Tilsley 1991; this study), Germany (Winkler-Prins and Amler 2006), Urals (Skompski et al. 2001), the Moscow Basin (Sarycheva and Sokolskaya 1952), Siberia (Sarycheva et al. 1963) and Morocco (Berkhli et al. 2001).

Subfamily Marginiferinae Stehli, 1954

Tribe Breileeniiini Brunton in Brunton and Lazarev, 1997

Genus *Breileenia* Brunton in Brunton and Lazarev, 1997

Type species: *Productus davidsoni* Jarosz, 1917, from the Asbian, upper Visean, of Longnor, Derbyshire, England.

Remarks.—Small specimens of species of *Breileenia* may be confused with those of *Institifera* Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960, which is characterised by having a gutter anteriorly in the adult stage. However, *Breileenia* has a shallower corpus cavity and some species with delayed costae starting near the umbo, rather than on trail.

Breileenia radiata Brunton in Brunton and Lazarev, 1997

Fig. 9F–K.

1997 *Breileenia radiata*; Brunton in Brunton and Lazarev 1997: 389, figs. 5, 12–21.

2000 *Breileenia radiata* Brunton in Brunton and Lazarev, 1997; Brunton et al. 2000: fig. 289: 1f–g.

Material.—Three articulated specimens: MPUM11895 (RCC65-1); MPUM11896 (RCC32-13; RCC42-30). Five ventral valve internal casts: MPUM11897 (RCC12-18a; RCC42-50; RCC43-2b; RCC68-10; RCC128-4f). Seven dorsal valve external casts: MPUM11898 (RCC12-1); MPUM11899 (RCC12-7); MPUM11900 (RCC12-15); MPUM11901 (RCC12-23a, 23b); MPUM11902 (RCC12-18b, 18c). Seven fragments: MPUM11903 (RCC38A-2); MPUM11904 (RCC12-22, 26, 28; RCC35A-9a, 9b; RCC300-32). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Medium-sized, elongated concavo-convex shell with subtriangular outline; cardinal margin corresponding to maximum width. Ears small, flat. Cardinal angles right. Corpus cavity shallow. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Ventral visceral disc poorly convex; geniculation angle 60°. Trail long. Umbo enrolled. Dorsal valve concave, not geniculated, trail long. Fold and sulcus absent.

Ventral visceral disc ornamented by delayed, prominent, subrounded ribs starting 7.5 mm from the umbo, with narrow interspaces. Ribs increase in number anteriorly by bifurcation on flanks. They number 6–7 per 5.0 mm, 15.0 mm from the umbo. Widely spaced (1–1.5 mm) growth lamellae cover all of the valve surface, crossing ribs. Entire valve covered by spine bases, concentrically to quincuncially ar-

ranged. Dorsal valve with similar ornamentation, but with rounded dimples instead of spine bases, and ribs interspaces being wider than ribs anteriorly. Micro-ornamentation of sinuous growth lines.

Remarks.—The specimens are close in their dimensions, morphology and ornamentation to the specimens of *Breileenia radiata* figured by Brunton and Lazarev (1997), including the holotype from the Brigantian, uppermost Visean, of Fall Hill Quarry (Derbyshire). *Breileenia radiata* had been confused with the closely allied *Breileenia davidsoni* (Jarosz, 1917), from the Asbian, upper Visean, of Great Britain and Ireland, until the revision of the species by Brunton (Brunton and Lazarev 1997). Brunton showed *B. radiata* to differ from *B. davidsoni* in having well-developed delayed costae starting near umbo, rather than being restricted anteriorly on trail, and denser spines. Spine bases are mostly not preserved in the specimens from Ricklow Quarry, but costae arise near umbo and are stronger than the ones shown by the specimens of *B. davidsoni*. Mitchell (1971) recorded specimens of *B. davidsoni* in the study area from the Monsal Dale and Eyam limestones formations which are likely specimens of *B. radiata*.

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Breileenia radiata* is recorded from the Brigantian, uppermost Visean of Derbyshire (Brunton and Lazarev 1997; this study).

Subfamily Plicatiferinae Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960

Tribe Levitusiini Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960

Genus *Geniculifera* Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960

Type species: *Avonia boonensi* Branson, 1938, from the lower Tournaisian of Missouri, USA.

Geniculifera keyserlingiana (De Koninck, 1843)

Fig. 9L.

1843 *Productus keyserlingiana*; De Koninck 1843: 200, pl. 10: 8.

1847 *Productus keyserlingianus* De Koninck, 1843; De Koninck 1847: 239, pl. 14: 6.

1862 *Productus keyserlingianus* De Koninck, 1843; Davidson 1862a: 174, pl. 34: 15–16.

1991 *Geniculifera keyserlingiana* (De Koninck, 1843); Brunton and Tilsley 1991: 291.

1993 *Geniculifera keyserlingiana* (De Koninck, 1843); Brunton et al. 1993: 114, figs. 61–71.

2000 *Geniculifera keyserlingiana* (De Koninck, 1843); Brunton et al. 2000: fig. 304.

Material.—One articulated specimen: MPUM11905 (RCC 73-28) from from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Small, elongated concavo-convex shell with semi-elliptical outline; cardinal margin corresponding to the maximum width. Ears small, convex, poorly separate. Cardinal angles right. Both valves geniculated. Corpus cavity deep. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Ventral vis-

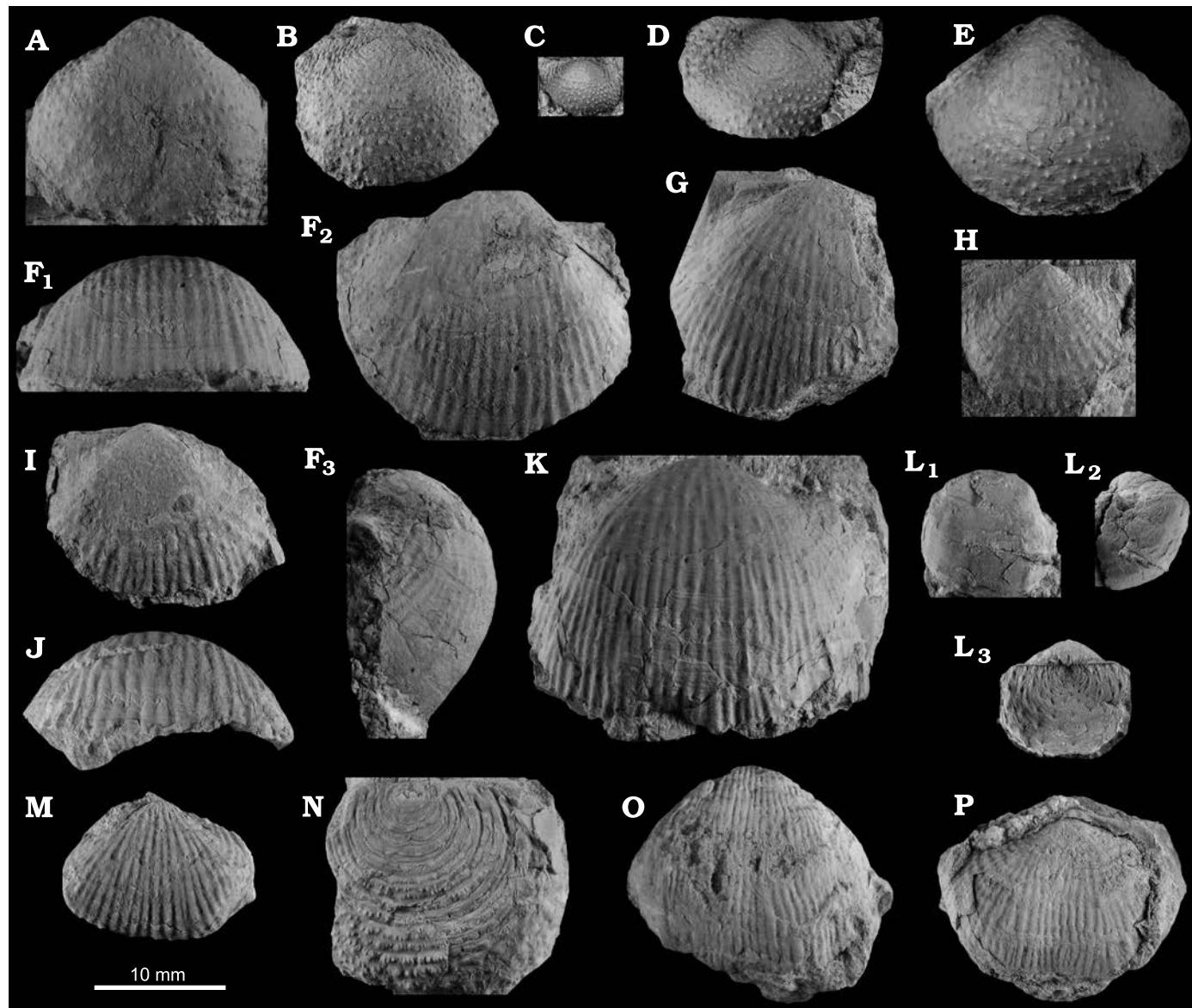


Fig. 9. Productellidae and Productidae from the Brigantian (uppermost Visean) of Ricklow Quarry, near Monyash, Derbyshire, UK (localities RCC-, RCK-; see Fig. 3). A–E. *Krotovia spinulosa* (Sowerby, 1814). A. MPUM11886 (RCC73-22a) in ventral view. B. MPUM11889 (RCC3-18) dorsal valve interior and external cast. C. MPUM11891 (RCK15-16) interior and external cast. D. MPUM11892 (RCK15-28) dorsal valve interior and external cast. E. MPUM11887 (RCK15-10) in ventral view. F–K. *Breileenia radiata* Brunton in Brunton and Lazarev, 1997. F. MPUM11895 (RCC65-1) in anterior (F₁), ventral (F₂), and lateral (F₃) views. G. MPUM11898 (RCC12-1) dorsal valve external cast. H. MPUM11899 (RCC12-7) dorsal valve interior and external cast. I. MPUM11900 (RCC12-15) dorsal valve external cast. J. MPUM11903 (RCC38A-2) fragment in anterior view. K. MPUM11901 (RCC12-23b) dorsal valve external cast. L. *Geniculifera keyserlingiana* (De Koninck, 1843), MPUM11905 (RCC73-28) in antero-ventral (L₁), lateral (L₂), and dorsal (L₃) views. M. *Limbifera* sp., MPUM11890 (RCC54-10b), ventral valve in ventral view. N. *Carringtonia* cf. *carringtoniana* (Davidson, 1862a), MPUM11906 (RCC2-51) dorsal valve interior and external cast. O. *Productus* sp., MPUM11908 (RCC1-61b) in ventral view. P. *Productus* sp., MPUM11909 (RCC60-6) dorsal valve external cast.

ceral disc moderately convex; geniculation angle about 90°. Trail long; flanks steep. Dorsal visceral disc slightly concave posteriorly, more concave anteriorly. Flat ears. Geniculation angle 90°. Trail long. Fold and sulcus absent.

Ornamentation consists of low, rounded, circular spine bases covering the ventral visceral disc, quincuncially arranged. Broad (1.0 mm), low, rounded costae with flat wide interspaces on ventral trail. Dorsal valve covered by low, rounded rugae; they number four per 3.0 mm length.

Micro-ornamentation of concentric growth lines on both valves.

Remarks.—The specimen differs from *Geniculifera boonensis* (Branson, 1938) in having more numerous prominent swollen spine bases on the ventral visceral disc and weaker concentric ornamentation.

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Geniculifera keyserlingiana* is recorded from the Asbian–lower Brigantian,

upper Visean, of Visé in Belgium and of Derbyshire and Yorkshire in England (Brunton et al. 1993; this study).

Tribe Rugaurini Lazarev, 1990

Genus *Carringtonia* Brunton and Mundy, 1986

Type species: *Productus carringtoniana* Davidson, 1862a, from the Visean of Great Britain and Ireland.

Remarks.—The genus differs from other Mississippian productellids in having an ornamentation dominated by dense, irregular rugae. The genus differs from *Orbinaria* Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960, from the Mississippian of USA, in having a more prominent concentric ornamentation and spines restricted to the ventral valve.

Carringtonia cf. *carringtoniana* (Davidson, 1862a)

Fig. 9N.

Material.—Two dorsal valves: MPUM11906 (RCC2-51); MPUM11907 (RCC1-11) from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Small concave dorsal valve. Convex geniculation, short trail. Dorsal valve covered by rounded rugae with wide rounded interspaces, eight per 5.0 mm length posteriorly, more prominent and scattered anteriorly. Trail with low, broad costae, 1.5 mm wide. Subcircular dimples scattered over visceral disc and trail, closely packed, aligned in rugae interspaces anteriorly.

Remarks.—The specimens are close to *C. carringtoniana* in their rugate ornamentation density (Brunton and Mundy 1986).

Tribe Semicostellini Nalivkin, 1979

Genus *Limbifera* Brunton and Mundy, 1988

Type species: *Productus griffithianus* De Koninck, 1847, from the upper Mississippian of Belgium.

Remarks.—The genus differs from the allied *Cinctifera* Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960, from the Visean of Belgium, in lacking a cicatrix and cinctures, and having costae starting at the umbo.

Limbifera sp.

Fig. 9M.

Material.—One ventral valve: MPUM11890 (RCC54-10b) from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Small, transversely subrectangular ventral valve. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Ventral visceral disc flat; geniculation angle about 100°. Very shallow sulcus.

Ornamentation consists of low, subrounded, bifurcating ribs with narrow interspaces, starting from umbo. They number 6–7 per 5.0 mm, 10.0 mm from the umbo.

Subrounded rugae, 7–8 in 5.0 mm on ventral visceral disc, resulting in reticulate ornamentation.

Remarks.—The specimen is similar in the outline and ornamentation to *Limbifera griffithiana* from the upper Mississippian of England and Belgium, figured by Muir-Wood (1928: pl. 3: 1–3) and Brunton and Mundy (1988: figs. 5, 8.1–22, 9.1–7). However, the gutter anteriorly is not preserved, and it has stronger costae and a less evident concentric ornamentation.

Family Productidae Gray, 1840

Subfamily Productinae Gray, 1840

Tribe Productini Gray, 1840

Genus *Productus* Sowerby, 1814

Type species: *Conchyliolithus Anomites (productus)* Martin, 1809, from the upper Visean of Derbyshire, England.

Remarks.—The genus can be distinguished from others in the Productidae in having a straight, laterally spreading trail, a suboval rather than subquadrate corpus outline and in the absence of a ventral sulcus. Most species are characterised also by having spines arranged only in 2–3 rows on ears and scattered on visceral disc, and by the presence of a dorsal diaphragm.

Productus cf. *productus* (Martin, 1809)

Fig. 10A.

Material.—One articulated specimen: MPUM11919 (RCC41-3a) from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Medium-sized, elongated concavo-convex shell with suboval outline; cardinal margin wide. Ears large, convex. Both valves geniculated. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Ventral visceral disc convex, slightly depressed anteriorly in the middle; geniculation angle 120°. Trail straight, long, laterally spreading anteriorly.

Ornamentation consists of low, rounded ribs with narrow subangular interspaces. Ribs increase in number anteriorly by intercalation. They number 12 per 10.0 mm at geniculation and on trail, where some become larger than average and sinuous. Subangular rugae on flanks, fainter on visceral disc, absent from trail. They number 5 per 5.0 mm length.

Remarks.—The specimen is close to *P. productus* based on the absence of a ventral sulcus, on the laterally spreading trail, and the lack of spine rows on flanks (Muir-Wood 1928). The density of ribs is similar to the one reported by Muir-Wood (1928: 41).

Productus sp.

Fig. 9O, P.

Material.—Two articulated specimens: MPUM11908 (RCC1-6lb); MPUM11909 (RCC60-6) from mud mound complex of

Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Medium-sized, elongated concavo-convex shell with suboval outline; cardinal margin straight. Ears large, convex. Both valves geniculated. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Ventral visceral disc convex; geniculation angle about 90°. Trail straight, long, laterally spreading anteriorly. Dorsal valve geniculation angle 90°. Very low fold on trail.

Ornamentation consists of low, rounded ribs with narrow interspaces. Ribs increase in number anteriorly by intercalation. They number 14 per 10.0 mm at geniculation and on trail.

Remarks.—The specimens are close to *Productus productus* in lacking a ventral sulcus and in having a laterally spreading trail, but differ from it in having a shorter visceral disc and smaller overall dimensions. They may be similar to *P. hispidus* Muir-Wood, 1928, in being small-sized, but differ from it in having finer ornamentation.

Tribe Kozlowskiini Brunton, Lazarev, and Grant, 1995

Genus *Eomarginifera* Muir-Wood, 1930

Type species: *Productus longispinus* Sowerby, 1814, from the upper Visean of West Lothian, Scotland.

Remarks.—The genus was erected by Muir-Wood (1930) and then redefined by Muir-Wood and Cooper (1960) to include small posteriorly reticulate productides with moderate ears and six symmetrical halteroid spines on the ventral valve. It includes various species, many from the upper Visean of Great Britain and Ireland (Muir-Wood 1928, 1930), with a wide morphological variability.

The genus differs from *Promarginifera* Shiells, 1966, from the upper Visean of Scotland, assigned to the Retariini Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960, in having a flat geniculated dorsal valve, less numerous, more regularly disposed spines on the ventral valve and in lacking dorsal spines. Moreover, *Promarginifera* has a diagnostic dorsal non-crenulate sub-peripheral rim dying out on the flanks.

Eomarginifera cf. *laqueata* (Muir-Wood, 1928)

Fig. 10B–E.

Material.—Four articulated specimens: MPUM11910 (RCC32-26); MPUM11911 (WI1-41); MPUM11912 (RCC128-16); MPUM11913 (WI1-5). Three dorsal valves: MPUM11914 (RCC60-35); MPUM11915 (RCC300-13); MPUM11916 (RCC 54-12). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian (RCC-, RCK-), and Wensley Dale, Matlock, Derbyshire, UK, Eyam Limestone Formation, upper Brigantian, upper Visean (WI1).

Description.—Small, elongated concavo-convex shell with transversely subtriangular outline, cardinal margin corresponding to maximum width. Ears small, convex, separated

by a narrow groove. Both valves geniculated. Corpus cavity deep. Anterior commissure rectimarginate to gently unipliate. Ventral visceral disc moderately convex; geniculation angle 70°. Trail long; flanks steep. Shallow sulcus starting from visceral disc mid-length. Dorsal visceral disc flat; geniculation angle 90°. Fold very low, rounded.

Ornamentation consists of low, subrounded ribs with narrow interspaces. Ribs number nine per 5.0 mm at the geniculation, eight per 5.0 mm on trail in the specimens from Ricklow (Brigantian; Monsal Dale Limestone Formation), 13 per 5.0 mm at geniculation, 10–12 per 5.0 mm on trail in the specimens from Wensley Dale (upper Brigantian; Eyam Limestone Formation). Visceral discs ornamented by subangular rugae, resulting in a reticulate ornamentation. On the ventral disc, rugae number five per 5.0 mm length anteriorly. Small spines on umbo. Two symmetrical halteroid spines on flanks near geniculation, laterally directed. Two symmetrical halteroid spines on trail at mid-length, bordering the sulcus, 8.0 mm apart from each other, anteriorly directed.

Remarks.—The specimens are assigned to *Eomarginifera* cf. *laqueata* based on their convex ventral visceral disc with numerous spine bases, shallow ventral sulcus, and ribs density. They show a shallow ventral sulcus which is similar to the one of the specimens of *E. lobata* var. *flexa* (Muir-Wood, 1928) from the Brigantian, uppermost Visean, of Scotland (Muir-Wood 1928: pl. 11: 16a–b, 18), but they differ in having a convex, rather than flat, ventral visceral disc. They differ from *E. lobata* (Sowerby, 1821b) in having a weaker ventral sulcus and finer ribs; from *E. longispina* (Sowerby, 1814) in having a deeper sulcus, more convex ventral visceral disc and coarser radial ornamentation.

Tribe Retariini Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960

Genus *Antiquatonia* Miloradovich, 1945

Type species: *Productus antiquatus* Sowerby, 1821b, from the Mississippian of Derbyshire, England.

Remarks.—*Antiquatonia* differs from *Dicyoclostus* Muir-Wood, 1930, in having a smaller-sized shell and a different arrangement of spines on the ventral valve: *Dicyoclostus* shows ventral spines arranged in a row on ears, in patches on flanks and near the anterior margin, rather than 1–2 rows on ears, one row on flanks and scattered over the visceral disc and trail as *Antiquatonia*.

Antiquatonia differs from *Pugilis* Sarycheva, 1949, in having a shallower corpus, less enrolled ventral valve, more prominent ribs on trail and a different ventral spine arrangement.

Antiquatonia *hindii* (Muir-Wood, 1928)

Fig. 10F–L.

1880 *Productus semireticulatus* (Martin, 1809); Davidson 1880: 307 (pars), pl. 35: 1–2.

1928 *Productus hindii*; Muir-Wood 1928: 108, pl. 6: 3, 4a–c, 5–6; text-figs. 1–5, 21.

1952 *Antiquatonia hindii* (Muir-Wood, 1928); Sarycheva and Sokolskaya 1952: 155, pl. 43.

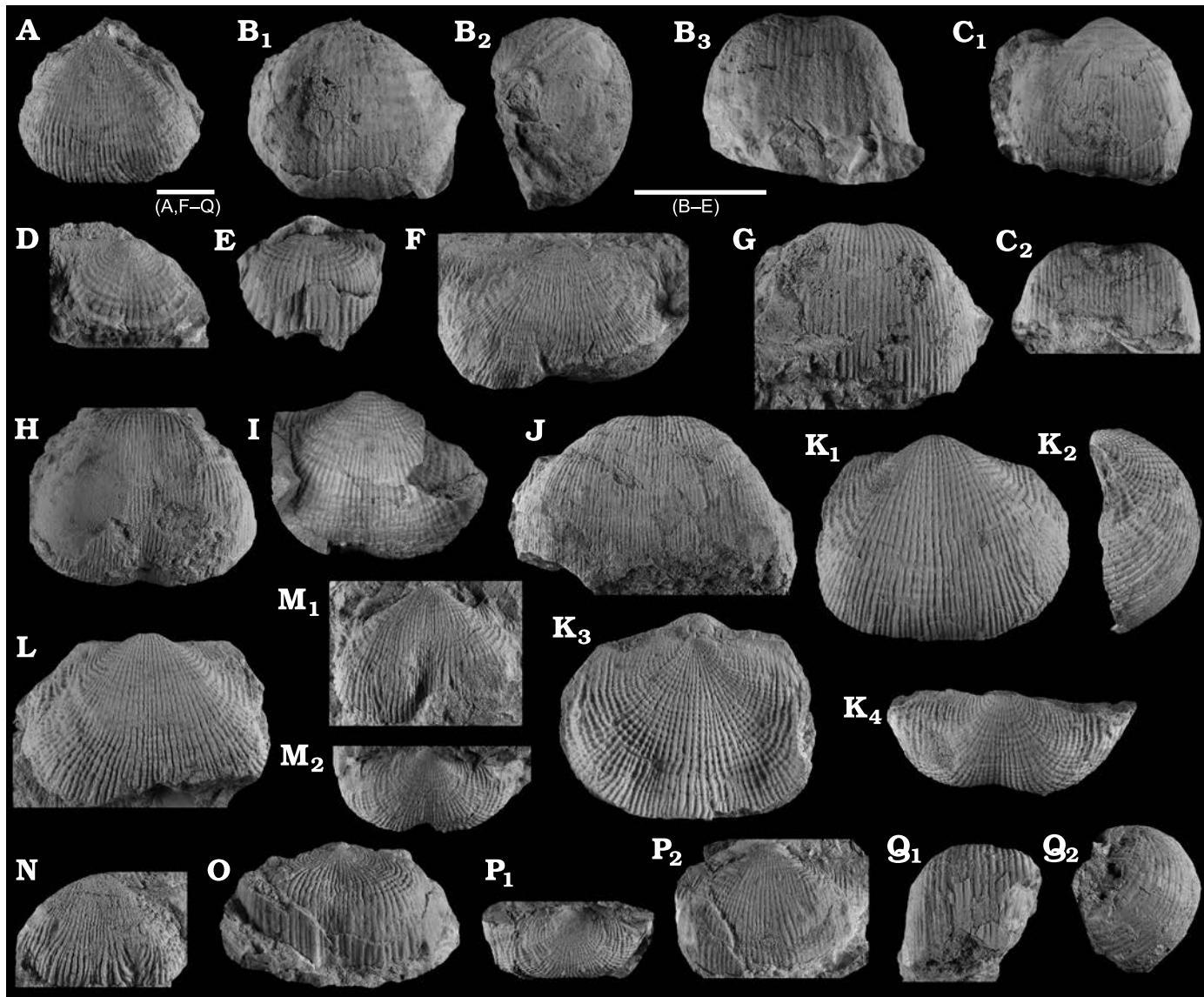


Fig. 10. Productidae from the Brigantian (uppermost Visean) of Ricklow Quarry, near Monyash (localities RCC-, RCK-; see Fig. 3) and Wensley Dale, near Matlock (locality WI1; see Fig. 2), Derbyshire, UK. **A.** *Productus* cf. *productus* (Martin, 1809), MPUM11919 (RCC41-3a) in ventral view. **B–E.** *Eomarginifera* cf. *laqueata* (Muir-Wood, 1928). **B.** MPUM11910 (RCC32-26) in ventral (B₁), lateral (B₂), and anterior (B₃) views. **C.** MPUM11911 (WI1-41) in ventral (C₁) and anterior (C₂) views. **D.** MPUM11914 (RCC60-35) dorsal valve interior and external cast. **E.** MPUM11915 (RCC300-13) dorsal valve external cast. **F–L.** *Antiquatoria* *hindii* (Muir-Wood, 1928). **F.** MPUM11917 (RCC13-2) in ventral view. **G.** MPUM11918 (RCC50-1) in anterior view. **H.** MPUM11920 (RCC123-1) in ventral view. **I.** MPUM11921 (RCK15-7) in ventral view. **J.** MPUM11925 (RCC32-6) ventral valve in anterior view. **K.** MPUM11922 (WI1-19) in ventral (K₁), lateral (K₂), dorsal (K₃), and posterior (K₄) views. **L.** MPUM11923 (WI1-25) in ventral view. **M–Q.** *Antiquatoria* aff. *hindii* (Muir-Wood, 1928). **M.** MPUM11930 (RCC12-8) in ventral (M₁) and posterior (M₂) views. **N.** MPUM11934 (RCC39-19) ventral valve in ventral view. **O.** MPUM11935 (RCC2-8) dorsal valve external cast. **P.** MPUM11931 (RCC13-3a) in posterior (P₁) and ventral (P₂) views. **Q.** MPUM11932 (RCC32-19) in anterior (Q₁) and lateral (Q₂) views. Scale bars 10 mm.

1991 *Antiquatoria* *hindii* (Muir-Wood, 1928); Brunton and Tilsley 1991: 292.

2000 *Antiquatoria* *hindii* (Muir-Wood, 1928); Brunton et al. 2000: fig. 317: 2c–f.

Material.—Thirteen articulated specimens: MPUM11917 (RCC13-2); MPUM11918 (RCC50-1); MPUM11920 (RCC123-1); MPUM11921 (RCK15-7); MPUM11922 (WI1-19); MPUM11923 (WI1-25); MPUM11924 (RCC2-48; RCC60-21; RCC65TOP-1; RCC73-20, 24; RCC110-3b; RCK15-35b). Thirteen ventral valves: MPUM11925 (RCC32-6);

MPUM11927 (RCC1B-24b; RCC2-23b, 29; RCC3-12a, 16; RCC8-4; RCC11-1, 13; RCC32-1a, 1b; RCC73-7; RCC128-1). Twelve dorsal valves: MPUM11928 (RCC2-50; RCC3-4; RCC32-12b; RCC40-5a; RCC42-23, 32; RCC60-19a, 25; RCC65G-8b; RCC123-2; WI1-15a, 26b). Thirteen fragments: MPUM11929 (RCC1-43; RCC2-36; RCC3-15c, 23; RCC32-15, 21a, 21b; RCC40-18; RCC42-1b, 7; RCC300-8; RCK15-17; WI1-13). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian (RCC-, RCK-), and Wensley Dale,

Matlock, Derbyshire, UK, Eyam Limestone Formation, upper Brigantian, upper Visean (WI1).

Description.—Medium-sized, concavo-convex shell with transversely subrectangular outline; cardinal margin wide, generally corresponding to the maximum width. Ears wide, flat, poorly separated. Both valves geniculated. Corpus cavity moderately deep. Anterior commissure gently uniplicate. Ventral visceral disc regularly convex; geniculation angle 120°. Trail long, tubiform. Sulcus starting 5.0 mm from umbo, widening and deepening anteriorly, becoming shallower on the trail. Dorsal visceral disc slightly concave; ears flat. Geniculation angle 90°. Low, rounded fold starting 7.0 mm from umbo, widening anteriorly.

Ornamentation consists of low, rounded ribs with narrow interspaces except for the dorsal anterior disc and trail where they may become wider than ribs. Ribs increasing in number by bifurcation, particularly common on trail flanks, and by rare intercalation on the ventral valve; by intercalation on the dorsal valve. They number 10–14 per 10.0 mm, 20.0 mm from the umbo. Visceral discs ornamented by subquadrate rugae, so that generally prominent reticulate ornamentation is formed; rugae number eight per 10.0 mm length. Rugae intersect the cardinal margin at 90°. Spines on ventral valve only: one row on each ear, diverging at a low angle from cardinal margin; one row of large spines diverging from cardinal margin at 30° and extending on trail flanks, set on a rounded ridge. Small spines on ribs scattered on umbonal flanks and trail. Dorsal valve bearing elongated pits in two rows starting near umbo, diverging from the cardinal margin at 30°, and scattered over the visceral disc. Micro-ornamentation of concentric growth lines on both valves.

Cardinal process stout, sessile, trifid, postero-ventrally directed.

Remarks.—The specimens are close in their morphology, dimensions and ornamentation to the specimens of *Antiquatonia hindei* figured by Muir-Wood (1928) and Brunton et al. (2000). *Antiquatonia hindei* var. *wettonensis* (Muir-Wood, 1928) from the Brigantian, uppermost Visean, of England and Wales, was distinguished by Muir-Wood (1928) based on its flatter visceral disc (Muir-Wood 1928: fig. 2a–c). Muir-Wood (1928) also stated the variety to be larger and with coarser ornamentation, but there is considerable overlapping in the shell and ornamentation measures given for *A. hindei* (Muir-Wood 1928: 110) and *A. hindei* var. *wettonensis* (Muir-Wood 1928: 113), so the distinctiveness of the variety seems not to be supported.

The specimens differ from *Antiquatonia antiquata* (Sowerby, 1821b) in having finer ornamentation and a spine-bearing ridge on flanks.

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Antiquatonia hindei* is recorded in the Asbian–Brigantian, upper Visean, to Serpukhovian of Great Britain and Ireland (Muir-Wood 1928; Mitchell 1971; Brunton and Tilsley 1991; this study) and in the upper Visean of the Moscow Basin (Sarycheva and Sokolskaya 1952).

Antiquatonia aff. hindei (Muir-Wood, 1928)

Fig. 10M–Q.

Material.—Five articulated specimens: MPUM11930 (RCC12-8); MPUM11931 (RCC13-3a); MPUM11932 (RCC32-19); MPUM11933 (RCC13-3e; RCC32-12a). One ventral valve: MPUM11934 (RCC39-19). Four dorsal valves: MPUM11935 (RCC2-8); MPUM11936 (RCC2-5; RCC12-3; RCC13-3b). Four fragments: MPUM11937 (RCC2-27; RCC11-9a, 11; RCC300-6). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Remarks.—The specimens are close to those assigned to *A. hindei* from the same localities, but differ in being smaller and in having more numerous and prominent spine bases on ribs, on the ventral visceral disc, and more numerous dimples on the dorsal visceral disc. They also have a weaker to absent ventral sulcus.

Antiquatonia insculpta (Muir-Wood, 1928)

Fig. 11A–F.

1860 *Productus semireticulatus* (Martin, 1809) var. *sulcatus*; Davidson 1860b: 109, pl. 3: 6–6a.

1928 *Productus insculptus*; Muir-Wood 1928: 89, pl. 3: 10a, 11a–c, 12.

1952 *Antiquatonia insculpta* (Muir-Wood, 1928); Sarycheva and Sokolskaya 1952: 157, pl. 42.

Material.—Eighteen articulated specimens: MPUM11938 (RCC1B-9); MPUM11939 (RCC3-15a); MPUM11940 (RCC 42-26); MPUM11941 (RCC110-1b); MPUM11944 (RCC2-25); MPUM11942 (RCC1-9, 31, 56a; RCC2-1, 4, 54; RCC3-13b; RCC11-5; RCC12-12; RCC41-4; RCC60-3, 4b; RCK15-56). Eight ventral valves: MPUM11943 (RCC1B-39); MPUM11945 (RCC1-35, 54; RCC2-53a, 53b; RCC65G-7; RCC73-29a; RCC 128-19). Thirteen dorsal valves: MPUM11947 (RCC128-2); MPUM11948 (RCC1-26; RCC3-2b, 5a, 5b, 15b; RCC10-19; RCC32-9; RCC43-1a; RCC60-1a, 11; RCC65TOP-40; RCC110-1c). Three fragments: MPUM11949 (RCC32-18; RCC43-1b; RCC73-1). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Medium-sized, elongated concavo-convex shell with transversely subtriangular outline; cardinal margin corresponding to maximum width. Ears large, concave, separated by a groove. Both valves geniculated. Anterior commissure uniplicate. Ventral visceral disc slightly convex to almost flat anteriorly; geniculation angle 90°. Trail very long, tubiform, convex. Ventral sulcus shallow, starting near umbo. Dorsal valve geniculated at 12.0 mm from the umbo; geniculation angle 45°. Very low fold starting posteriorly to geniculation, extending on trail.

Ornamentation consists of low, rounded ribs with narrow interspaces on visceral discs, wider on trails. Ribs increase by bifurcation on ventral trail, by intercalation on dorsal trail. They number 12 per 10.0 mm, 15.0 mm from the umbo. Ribs undulating anteriorly on ventral trail, may converge on sulcus. Ventral visceral disc bearing subrounded rugae, resulting

in reticulate ornamentation. Rugae number five per 5.0 mm length. Rugae intersect the cardinal margin at 90°. Single row of spines on ears, almost parallel to the cardinal margin; one row of large spines on the umbonal slopes diverging from the cardinal margin at 30–45°, continuing on flanks on a low rounded ridge. Large spines scattered on ventral trail.

Cardinal process stout. Lateral ridges slightly diverge from the cardinal margin. Dorsal median septum longer than two-thirds valve length.

Remarks.—The specimens are close in their morphology, dimensions and ornamentation to the specimens of *Antiquatonia insculpta* figured by Muir-Wood (1928). They differ from *A. hinda* from the same localities in having shorter visceral discs, smaller-sized adult shells and a lower angle of geniculation. Gutteridge (1990) reported the presence of *A. sulcata* (Sowerby, 1821b) from the mud mound complex in Ricklow. However, we can not confirm his report. The specimens of *A. insculpta* from Ricklow Quarry differ from *A. sulcata* in having a shorter visceral disc, smaller size and in having fainter ornamentation of narrower ribs.

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Antiquatonia insculpta* is recorded in the Brigantian, uppermost Visean, of England and Scotland (e.g., Muir-Wood 1928; Mitchell 1971; this study) and in the lower Serpukhovian of the Moscow Basin (Sarycheva and Sokolskaya 1952).

Subfamily Dictyoclostinae Stehli, 1954

Genus *Dictyoclostus* Muir-Wood, 1930

Type species: *Conchyliolithus Anomites (semireticulatus)* Martin, 1809, from the Visean of Great Britain and Ireland.

Remarks.—*Dictyoclostus* differs from *Pugilis* in its less elongated shell outline, stronger reticulation on the visceral disc and ribbing on the trail, and different ventral spine arrangement.

Dictyoclostus pinguis (Muir-Wood, 1928)

Fig. 11G–H.

1928 *Productus pinguis*; Muir-Wood 1928: 104, pl. 5: 1, 2a–d, 3; pl. 6: 1; text-fig. 20.

1952 *Dictyoclostus pinguis* (Muir-Wood, 1928); Sarycheva and Sokolskaya 1952: 142, pl. 38: 191.

1991 *Dictyoclostus pinguis* (Muir-Wood, 1928); Brunton and Tilsley 1991: 291.

2000 *Dictyoclostus pinguis* (Muir-Wood, 1928); Brunton et al. 2000: fig. 331: e.

?2016 *Dictyoclostus pinguis* (Muir-Wood, 1928); Tazawa et al. 2016: 53, fig. 5.3. (cum syn.)

Material.—One ventral valve: MPUM11950 (RCC54-11). Two dorsal valves: MPUM11951 (RCK15-63a); MPUM11952 (RCC2-23a). Two fragments: MPUM11953 (RCC1-10; RCC1B-23). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Large-sized, concavo-convex shell with transversely subrectangular outline; cardinal margin wide,

almost corresponding to the maximum width. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Ventral geniculation angle 90°. Visceral disc flattened medianly. Trail long, convex. Dorsal visceral disc flat posteriorly, gently concave anteriorly. Geniculation angle 70°. Low rounded fold starting at disc mid-length, becoming obsolete on trail.

Ornamentation consists of low, rounded ribs with narrow interspaces posteriorly, wide anteriorly. Ribs increase in number anteriorly by bifurcation on the ventral valve, by intercalation on the dorsal one. Ribs number 10–12 per 10.0 mm, 25.0 mm from the umbo. Ventral and dorsal visceral discs bearing low, rounded rugae, densely packed posteriorly (four per 5.0 mm length), lower and wider anteriorly (5–6 per 5.0 mm length). Intersection between ribs and rugae results in reticulate ornamentation.

Long and robust dorsal median septum, 1.0 mm wide, extending at least to one-third of visceral disc length.

Remarks.—The specimens are similar to the specimens of *Dictyoclostus pinguis* figured by Muir-Wood (1928) and Brunton et al. (2000). They differ from *D. semireticulatus* (Martin, 1809) in having a geniculated dorsal valve and finer ribbing.

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Dictyoclostus pinguis* is recorded in the Brigantian, uppermost Visean, of England and Scotland (e.g., Muir-Wood 1928; Mitchell 1971; this study), in the lower Visean of Tianshan–northern Junggar, north-western China (e.g., Shen et al. 2017) and the Serpukhovian of the Moscow Basin (Sarycheva and Sokolskaya 1952).

Genus *Pugilis* Sarycheva, 1949

Type species: *Producta pugilis* Phillips, 1836, from the Brigantian, uppermost Visean, of Yorkshire, England.

Pugilis cf. *kilbridensis* (Muir-Wood, 1928)

Fig. 11I–K.

Material.—Two ventral valves: MPUM11954 (RCC2-47); MPUM11955 (RCC54-4). One dorsal valve: MPUM11956 (RCC128-3). One fragment: MPUM11957 (RCC128-28b). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Medium-sized, elongated concavo-convex shell with suboval outline; cardinal margin corresponding to maximum width. Both valves geniculated. Corpus cavity deep. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Ventral valve enrolled, visceral disc convex; geniculation angle 90°. Trail long, tubiform, straight. Dorsal visceral disc flat; geniculation angle 70°. Trail long, straight.

Ornamentation consists of subrounded ribs with narrow interspaces. Ribs increase in number anteriorly by bifurcation. They number 17 per 10.0 mm at geniculation and trail. Low, rounded rugae on visceral discs, six per 5.0 mm length, resulting in a reticulate ornamentation. Small spines scattered over the ventral visceral disc, on ribs.

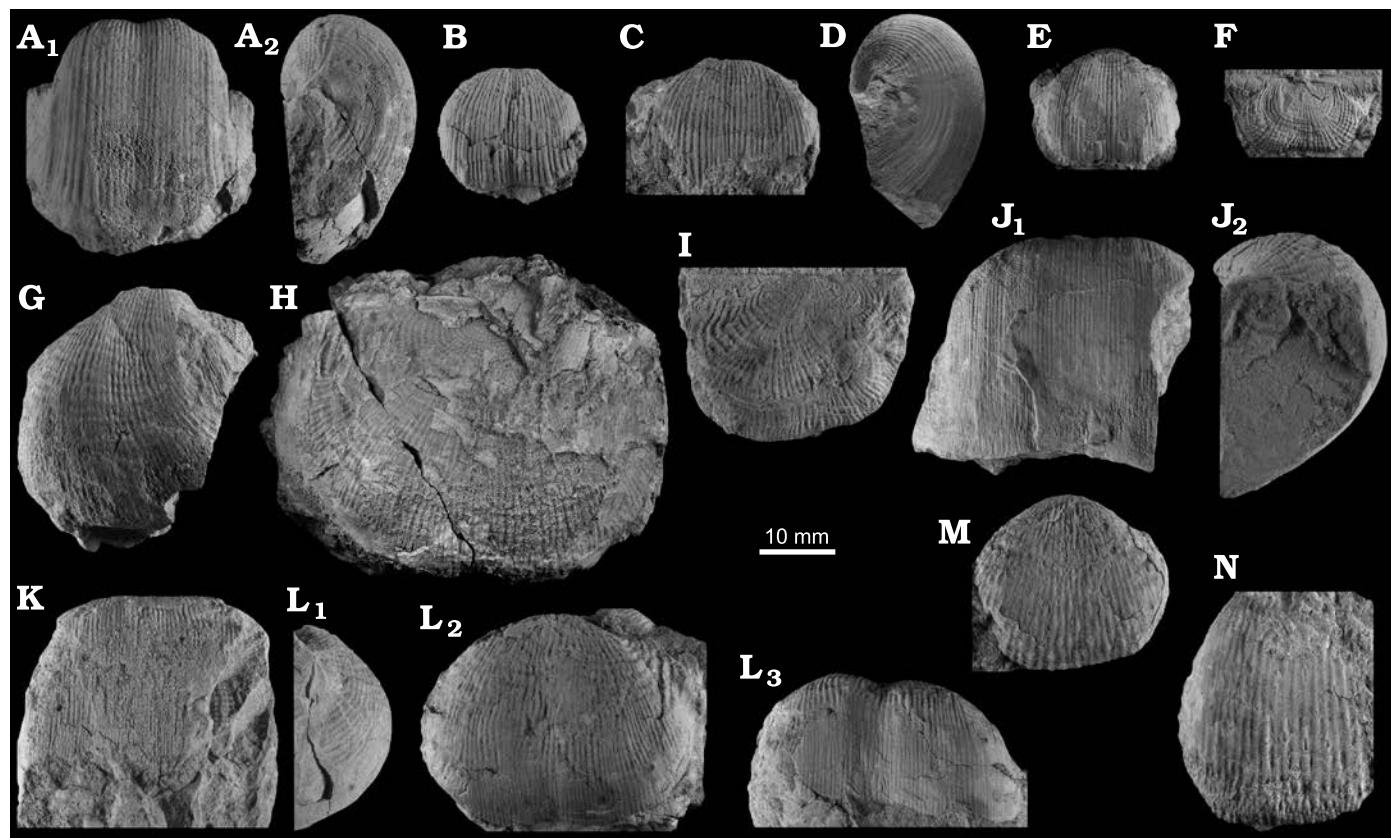


Fig. 11. Productidae from the Brigantian (uppermost Visean) of Ricklow Quarry, near Monyash, Derbyshire, UK (localities RCC-, RCK-; Fig. 3). **A–F.** *Antiquatoria insculpta* (Muir-Wood, 1928). **A.** MPUM11938 (RCC1B-9) in anterior (**A₁**) and lateral (**A₂**) views. **B.** MPUM11939 (RCC3-15a) in antero-ventral view. **C.** MPUM11940 (RCC42-26) in antero-ventral view. **D.** MPUM11941 (RCC110-1b) in lateral view. **E.** MPUM11944 (RCC2-25) ventral valve in ventral view. **F.** MPUM11947 (RCC128-2) dorsal valve interior and external cast. **G, H.** *Dictyoclostus pinguis* (Muir-Wood, 1928). **G.** MPUM11950 (RCC54-11) ventral valve in ventral view. **H.** MPUM11951 (RCK15-63a) dorsal valve external cast. **I–K.** *Pugilis* cf. *kilbridensis* (Muir-Wood, 1928). **I.** MPUM11956 (RCC128-3) dorsal valve interior and external cast. **J.** MPUM11955 (RCC54-4) ventral valve in anterior (**J₁**) and lateral (**J₂**) views. **K.** MPUM11954 (RCC2-47) ventral valve in anterior view. **L.** *Pugilis* cf. *scotica* (Sowerby, 1814), MPUM11958 (RCC2-41) in lateral (**L₁**), ventral (**L₂**), and anterior (**L₃**) views. **M, N.** *Buxtonia scabricula* (Sowerby, 1814). **M.** MPUM11959 (RCC1B-13) in ventral view. **N.** MPUM11960 (RCC35A-11a) in ventral view.

Remarks.—The specimens are similar to *Productus kilbridensis* from the Brigantian, uppermost Visean, of Kilbride (Ayrshire, Scotland), figured by Muir-Wood (1928: pl. 7: 5a–c). The specimens are also close to *P. scotica* (Sowerby, 1814), from the upper Visean of England and Scotland, in their ornamentation, but they differ from it in having a longer, straight trail, a strongly geniculated dorsal valve and in lacking a sulcus (Muir-Wood 1928).

Pugilis cf. *scotica* (Sowerby, 1814)

Fig. 11L.

Material.—One articulated specimen: MPUM11958 (RCC2-41) from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Medium-sized, elongated concavo-convex shell with suboval outline. Cardinal margin wide, corresponding to maximum width. Both valves geniculated. Anterior commissure uniplicate. Ventral valve enrolled, visceral disc convex; geniculation angle 120°. Trail long,

tubiform, straight. Low, rounded ventral sulcus, starting posteriorly to geniculation and extending on trail.

Ornamentation consists of subrounded ribs, with narrow interspaces on visceral discs, becoming fainter, thread like, with wide interspaces on trail. Ribs increase in number anteriorly by bifurcation. They number 16 per 10.0 mm at geniculation.

Remarks.—The specimen is close in its morphology and ornamentation to the specimens assigned to *Pugilis* cf. *kilbridensis* from the mud mound complex in Ricklow Quarry, but differs in having a less enrolled ventral valve, wider angle of geniculation and shallow ventral sulcus. These characters make it closer to *Pugilis scotica*, from the Asbian–Brigantian of England and Scotland (Muir-Wood 1928).

Subfamily Buxtoniinae Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960

Tribe Buxtoniini Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960

Genus *Buxtonia* Thomas, 1914

Type species: *Productus scabriculus* Sowerby, 1814, from the upper Visean of Derbyshire, England.

Remarks.—*Buxtonia* differs from the allied genus *Margini-cinctus* Sutton, 1938, in being larger, in generally having a more convex ventral valve and in lacking a reflexed flange developed at the anterior margin; from the genus *Setigerites* Girty, 1939, in having a coarser radial ornamentation; from *Kochipructus* Dunbar, 1955, in being smaller, in lacking a large anterolateral flange, in having larger spines and more regular rugation; moreover, *Kochipructus* lacks an antron at the posterior end of the median septum.

Buxtonia scabricula (Sowerby, 1814)

Figs. 11M, N, 12A–C.

- 1809 *Conchylolithus Anomites (scabriculus)*; Martin 1809: 8, pl. 34: 5.
 1814 *Productus scabriculus*; Sowerby 1814: pl. 69: 1.
 1862 *Productus scabriculus* Sowerby, 1814; Davidson 1862a: 169, pl. 42: 5–8. (cum syn.)
 1905 *Productus scabriculus* Sowerby, 1814 var. *costata*; Vaughan 1905: 293.
 1951 *Buxtonia scabricula* (Sowerby, 1814); Muir-Wood 1951: fig. 358: 1a–e.
 1952 *Buxtonia scabricula* (Sowerby, 1814); Sarycheva and Sokolskaya 1952: 96, pl. 114.
 1960 *Buxtonia scabricula* (Sowerby, 1814); Muir-Wood and Cooper 1960: pl. 53: 10–11; pl. 74: 8–11.
 1965 *Buxtonia scabricula* (Sowerby, 1814); Muir-Wood 1965: fig. 358: 1.
 1991 *Buxtonia scabricula* (Sowerby, 1814); Brunton and Tilsley 1991: 291.
 2000 *Buxtonia scabricula* (Sowerby, 1814); Brunton et al. 2000: fig. 338: 3a–c.

Material.—Seven articulated specimens: MPUM11959 (RCC1B-13); MPUM11960 (RCC35A-11a); MPUM11961 (WI1-14); MPUM11962 (WI1-38); MPUM11963 (WI1-40); MPUM11964 (WI1-24, 34). One ventral valve: MPUM11965 (RCC1-6). Two fragments: MPUM11966 (RCC128-10a); MPUM11967 (WI1-15b). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian (RCC-, RCK-), and Wensley Dale, Matlock, Derbyshire, UK, Eyam Limestone Formation, upper Brigantian, upper Visean (WI1).

Description.—Medium-sized, concavo-convex shell with transversely subrectangular outline. Cardinal margin wide, almost corresponding to the maximum width. Ears small, concave. Both valves geniculated. Corpus cavity deep. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Ventral visceral disc convex. Geniculation angle 80°. Umbo straight, dorsally directed. Trail long, tubiform, convex. Shallow, broad sulcus starting 10.0 mm from the beak, widening anteriorly, becoming obsolete on trail. Dorsal valve slightly concave, with flat ears and low rounded fold starting near the cardinal margin, widening anteriorly. Geniculation angle 90°.

Ornamentation consists of low, rounded ribs, irregular in width and height, more or less continuous, undulating on the trail. Interspaces narrow posteriorly on visceral discs, becoming as wide as ribs anteriorly and on trail. Ribs increasing in number anteriorly by bifurcation on the ventral valve; commonly bifurcations occur immediately anterior to

spine bases. They number eight per 10.0 mm, 20.0 mm from the umbo. Low, rounded rugae on the ventral valve; on ears and umbonal flanks, two per 5.0 mm length, with narrow interspaces, not extending around front of valve. Thinner rugae on dorsal ears, rarely extending on whole of disc; rugae intersect with the cardinal margin forming an angle of 45° near the umbo. Prostrate spines arranged in concentric rows on ventral rugae. Spines randomly distributed on ventral visceral disc, on ribs. Near the anterior commissure the ribs become obsolete and finer and at least three staggered rows of small rounded spine bases are developed. Dorsal valve bearing elongated to circular dimples, more frequent near geniculation; dimples concentrically arranged on rugae interspaces on the flanks, irregularly disposed on fold; four dimples per 5 mm² at geniculation. Spine bases on ribs. Micro-ornamentation of concentric growth lines on both valves.

Cardinal process long-shafted, bilobed, quadrifid, apparently dorsally reflexed. Median septum short (6.0 mm long), thin, with small antron posteriorly.

Remarks.—The specimens resemble in their morphology and ornamentation the lectotype of *Buxtonia scabricula* figured by Brunton et al. (2000), from the upper Visean of Derbyshire, and the specimens figured by Muir-Wood and Cooper (1960) from the Visean of Flintshire, Wales. They differ from *B. scabriculoides* Paeckelmann, 1931, in being smaller, in lacking a clear reticulation on the ventral disc and in having spines arranged on all the valve, rather than being restricted posteriorly; from *B. lichwini* (Lisitzyn, 1909) from the upper Tournaisian of the Moscow Basin in being sulcate (Sarycheva and Sokolskaya 1952).

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Buxtonia scabricula* is common in upper Visean–lower Serpukhovian rocks of Great Britain and Ireland (Vaughan 1905; Muir-Wood and Cooper 1960; Brunton and Tilsley 1991; this study) and upper Visean rocks of Central Iran (Ruttner et al. 1968).

Buxtonia sp.

Fig. 12D–E.

Material.—Two ventral valves: MPUM11968 (RCC8-2a); MPUM11969 (WI1-2). One fragment: MPUM11970 (RCC1-39). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian (RCC-, RCK-), and Wensley Dale, Matlock, Derbyshire, UK, Eyam Limestone Formation, upper Brigantian, upper Visean (WI1).

Description.—Medium-sized, concavo-convex shell with transversely subtriangular outline; cardinal margin wide, maximum width attained at shell mid-length. Ears large, flat. Anterior commissure rectimarginate to gently uniplicate. Ventral valve moderately convex, not geniculated. Shallow sulcus starting near the umbo.

Ornamentation consists of low, rounded, ribs with narrow interspaces posteriorly on visceral discs, becoming wide anteriorly. Ribs increase in number anteriorly by bi-

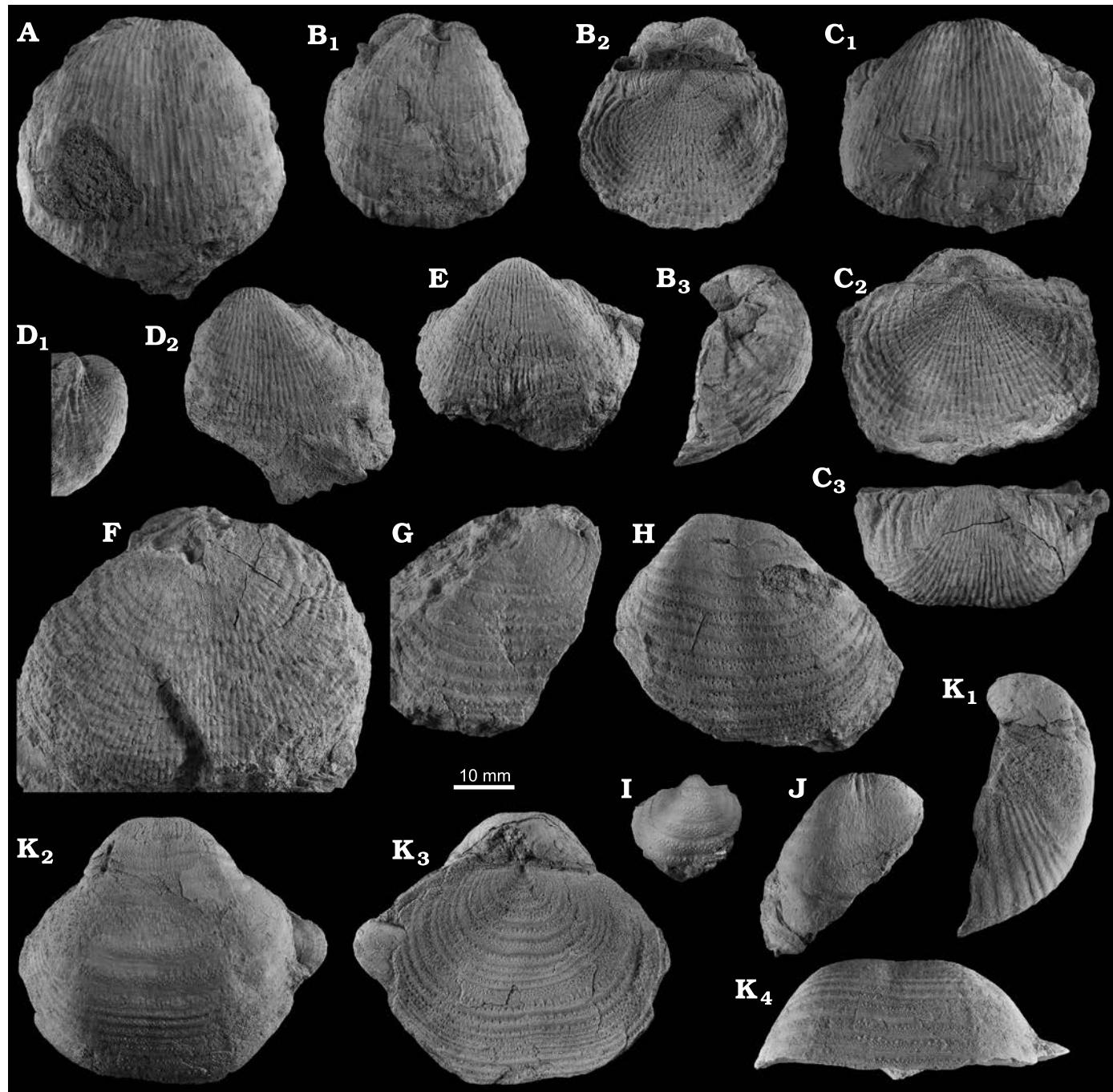


Fig. 12. Productidae and Echinoconchidae from the Brigantian (uppermost Visean) of Ricklow Quarry, near Monyash (localities RCC-, RCK-; see Fig. 3) and Wensley Dale, near Matlock (locality WI1; Fig. 2), Derbyshire, UK. A–C. *Buxtonia scabricula* (Sowerby, 1814). A. MPUM11963 (WI1-40) in ventral view. B. MPUM11962 (WI1-38) in ventral (B₁), dorsal (B₂), and lateral (B₃) views. C. MPUM11961 (WI1-14) in ventral (C₁), dorsal (C₂), and posterior (C₃) views. D, E. *Buxtonia* sp. D. MPUM11968 (RCC8-2a) ventral valve in lateral (D₁) and ventral (D₂) views. E. MPUM11969 (WI1-2) ventral valve in ventral view. F. Buxtoniini gen. et sp. indet., MPUM11971 (RCK15B-1a) dorsal valve external cast. G–K. *Echinoconchus punctatus* (Sowerby, 1822). G. MPUM11983 (RCC1B-18) dorsal valve external cast. H. MPUM11980 (RCC54-7) ventral valve in ventral view. I. MPUM11975 (RCK15-21) in ventral view. J. MPUM11974 (RCC72-1) in ventral view. K. MPUM11977 (WI1-28) in lateral (K₁), ventral (K₂), dorsal (K₃), and anterior (K₄) views.

furcation. They number 10–12 per 10.0 mm, 12.0 mm from the umbo. Prostrate, dense (5–6 in 5 mm² at 16.0 mm from the umbo) spines on ribs, concentrically arranged on flanks, irregularly on visceral disc and trail. Ventral visceral disc covered by rugae, six per 10.0 mm length, more prominent on ears and umbonal flanks, increasing in number around

front of valve by intercalation. Rugae intersect the cardinal margin forming a 40° angle with it.

Remarks.—The specimens differ from the ones assigned to *Buxtonia scabricula* from the same localities in their less enrolled ventral valve and finer ornamentation. The gentle convexity of their ventral valve and the absence of a proper

geniculation make them different from most other species of *Buxtonia* and closer to those of *Marginicinctus*, but they lack the anterior development of a gutter which is distinctive for the latter.

Buxtoniini gen. et sp. indet.

Fig. 12F.

Material.—Two dorsal valves: MPUM11971 (RCK15B-1a); MPUM11972 (RCC48-42). One fragment: MPUM11973 (RCC48-2a). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Remarks.—The specimens are poorly preserved dorsal valves with flat visceral discs and convex geniculation (geniculation angle 90°). They show a low, rounded fold starting from the umbo and an ornamentation of subangular rugae (three per 5.0 mm length) bearing irregular rows of elongated dimples (1.0 mm long; five per 5 mm²). Faint ribs with wide interspaces on trail, four per 5.0 mm. The specimens are attributed to the Buxtoniini based on their ornamentation of dense elongated dimples and irregular ribs anteriorly.

Superfamily Echinoconchoidea Stehli, 1954

Family Echinoconchidae Stehli, 1954

Subfamily Echinoconchinae Stehli, 1954

Tribe Echinoconchini Stehli, 1954

Genus *Echinoconchus* Weller, 1914

Type species: *Productus punctatus* Sowerby, 1822, from the upper Visean of Derbyshire, England.

Remarks.—*Echinoconchus* differs from *Pustula* Thomas, 1914, in the shape of muscle scars and in having stronger rugae bearing numerous rows of spines, the spines being of two series and concentrically arranged.

Echinoconchus punctatus (Sowerby, 1822)

Figs. 12G–K, 13A.

1809 *Conchyliolithus Anomites (punctatus)*; Martin 1809: pl. 37: 6, non 7–8.

1822 *Productus punctatus*; Sowerby 1822: pl. 323: right and lower figure, ?left hand lower figure.

1844 *Producta punctata* Sowerby, 1822; M'Coy 1844: 113 (pars).

1862 *Productus punctatus* Sowerby, 1822; Davidson 1862a: 172 (pars), pl. 44: 9, 11, 16, 17. (cum syn.)

1914 *Pustula punctata* (Sowerby, 1822); Thomas 1914: 303, pl. 17: 16–19; text-fig. 11.

1951 *Echinoconchus punctatus* (Sowerby, 1822); Muir-Wood 1951: 102, pl. 4: 2.

1952 *Echinoconchus punctatus* (Sowerby, 1822); Sarycheva and Sokolskaya 1952: 99, pl. 18: 120.

1960 *Echinoconchus punctatus* (Sowerby, 1822); Muir-Wood and Cooper 1960: pl. 66: 1–2; pl. 82: 8–10; pl. 83: 1–4; pl. 88: 11; pl. 125: 5.

1965 *Echinoconchus punctatus* (Sowerby, 1822); Muir-Wood 1965: fig. 353: 1a–d.

1971 *Echinoconchus punctatus* (Sowerby, 1822); Mitchell 1971: pl. 14: 3.

- 1991 *Echinoconchus punctatus* (Sowerby, 1822); Brunton and Tilsley 1991: 291.
- 2000 *Echinoconchus punctatus* (Sowerby, 1822); Brunton et al. 2000: fig. 349: a–e.
- 2016 *Echinoconchus punctatus* (Sowerby, 1822); Denayer et al. 2016: fig. 7: H–K.
- 2017 *Echinoconchus punctatus* (Sowerby, 1822); Tazawa 2017: 335, figs. 6.6, 6.7. (cum syn.)

Material.—Nine articulated specimen: MPUM11974 (RCC72-1); MPUM11975 (RCK15-21); MPUM11976 (RCK 15-47); MPUM11978 (RCC1B-1); MPUM11977 (WI1-28); MPUM11979 (WI1-22, 23, 29, 35). Seven ventral valves: MPUM11980 (RCC54-7); MPUM11981 (RCC1-24; RCC2-14a; RCC40-9; RCC48-12; RCC85-1a); MPUM11982 (WI1-7). Eight dorsal valves: MPUM11983 (RCC1B-18); MPUM11984 (RCC1B-15; RCC8-7; RCC12-13e; RCC13-3d; RCC68-1; RCK15-1c); MPUM11985 (WI1-12b). Nineteen fragments: MPUM11986 (RCC1-27a, 40a, 47, 61a, 61c; RCC10-39a; RCC12-11a, 13a; RCC12BIT-1; RCC40-4b; RCC41-17a; RCC54-1, 2, 10c, 13, 17d, 17e; RCK15-45; RCK16-2). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian (RCC-, RCK-), and Wensley Dale, Matlock, Derbyshire, UK, Eyam Limestone Formation, upper Brigantian, upper Visean (WI1).

Description.—Medium-sized, concavo-convex shell with suboval outline; cardinal margin wide, maximum width attained at shell mid-length. Ears small, flat. Rounded cardinal extremities. Corpus cavity deep. Anterior commissure uniplicate. Ventral valve poorly convex posteriorly, not geniculated. Shallow, rounded sulcus starting 10.0 mm from the umbo. Dorsal valve flat to concave anteriorly, not geniculated. Low, rounded fold starting 7.0–8.0 mm from the umbo.

Both valves covered by subangular rugae, 4–6 per 10.0 mm length, separated by broadly rounded interspaces, narrower on flanks. Each one bears one row of large spines posteriorly, then another row of spines, equal or smaller in diameter, and then 2–3 staggered rows of small spines, quincuncially arranged on the ruga crest. This pattern may vary considerably: some rugae may have only small quincuncially arranged spines, or only 1–2 rows of large spines, while wider rugae may be covered by quincuncially arranged large spines posteriorly with a narrower band of quincuncially arranged small spines anteriorly.

Cardinal process short-shafted, 2.0 mm long, bilobed.

Remarks.—The specimens are close in their morphology and ornamentation to *Echinoconchus punctatus* as described and figured by Thomas (1914), Muir-Wood and Cooper (1960) and Brunton (2000). They differ from *E. defensus* (Thomas, 1914) in having a poorly convex ventral valve and an almost flat, rather than concave, dorsal valve, and from *E. eximus* (Thomas, 1914) and *E. subelegans* (Thomas, 1914) in having a fold-sulcus.

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Echinoconchus punctatus* is common in the Visean of Great Britain and Ireland

(Thomas 1914 and references therein; this study), the upper Tournaisian–upper Visean of Germany (Winkler-Prins and Amler 2006), the upper Visean of Belgium (e.g., Denayer et al. 2016), the upper Visean of the Badajoz Province, and the Bashkirian of Cantabrian Mountains in Spain (Winkler-Prins 1968; Martinez-Chacon 1979; Martinez-Chacon and Legrand-Blain 1992), the upper Visean of Poland (Żakowa 1966), the Visean–Serpukhovian of Russia, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, and Kyrgyzstan (e.g., Sarycheva and Sokolskaya 1952; Tazawa 2017 and references therein), the upper Visean of northern China, and the South Kitakami Belt, Japan (e.g., Tazawa et al. 2016).

Subfamily Pustulinae Waterhouse, 1981

Genus *Pustula* Thomas, 1914

Type species: *Producta pustulosa* Phillips, 1836, from the Mississippian of Bolland, Yorkshire, England, and Florence Court, Ireland.

Pustula cf. *pustulosa* (Phillips, 1836)

Fig. 13B–D.

Material.—Two articulated specimens: MPUM11987 (RCC41-1); MPUM11988 (RCC128-7). One dorsal valve: MPUM11989 (RCC128-17a). Four fragments: MPUM11990 (RCC1-18, 50; RCC41-10b, 27). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Medium-sized, planoconvex shell with subtriangular outline; cardinal margin straight, longer than two-thirds maximum width. Corpus cavity deep. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Ventral valve regularly convex. Dorsal valve flat.

Ventral valve covered by elongated spine bases in irregular quincunx (10–12 per 5 mm²) except anteriorly on flanks where they are disposed on staggered rows on low, rounded rugae. Rugae are fainter on the remaining surface of the shell. Dorsal valve ornamented by concentric subrounded rugae, increasing in number by intercalation, three per 5.0 mm length. Slightly elongated dimples, distributed on rugae interspaces or quincuncially arranged (10–15 per 5 mm²).

Long prominent dorsal median septum.

Remarks.—The specimens are close to *Pustula pustulosa* by the absence of a sulcus-fold and their ornamentation of slightly elongated spine bases-dimples. They differ from *P. pyxidiformis* (De Koninck, 1847), recorded by Brunton and Tilsley (1991) from the Asbian, upper Visean, of Treak Cliff, Derbyshire, in having regularly concentric rugae and spine bases not extending in length beyond a single ruga.

Superfamily Linoprotontoidea Stehli, 1954

Family Linoprotontidae Stehli, 1954

Subfamily Linoprotontinae Stehli, 1954

Genus *Fluctuaria* Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960

Type species: *Productus undatus* Defrance, 1826, from the upper Visean of Visé, Belgium.

Remarks.—The genus differs from other linoprotontids by its small dimensions and in the development of strong, subangular rugae anteriorly. It is similar to *Undaria* Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960, of the Monticuliferidae Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960, but it differs from it in having prominent ribs crossing rugae and a smaller umbo.

Fluctuaria undata (Defrance, 1826)

Fig. 13G.

- 1826 *Productus undatus*; Defrance 1826: 354.
 1844 *Productus tortilis*; M'Coy 1844: fig. 14.
 1862 *Productus undatus* Defrance, 1826; Davidson 1862a: 161, pl. 34: 7–12, ?13. (cum syn.)
 1960 *Fluctuaria undata* (Defrance, 1826); Muir-Wood and Cooper 1960: pl. 115: 11–20.
 1965 *Fluctuaria undata* (Defrance, 1826); Muir-Wood 1965: fig. 373: 3.
 1991 *Fluctuaria undata* (Defrance, 1826); Brunton and Tilsley 1991: 291.
 2000 *Fluctuaria undata* (Defrance, 1826); Brunton et al. 2000: fig. 366: 2a–d.
 2019 *Fluctuaria undata* (Defrance, 1826); Yuan et al. 2019: fig. 4E.

Material.—One ventral valve: MPUM11926 (RCC300-14) from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Small, suboval shell. Cardinal margin straight; maximum width at shell mid-length. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Ventral valve regularly convex.

Ventral valve surface covered by fine, rounded ribs with narrow interspaces. Ribs increase anteriorly by intercalation, by bifurcation on flanks. They number 13 per 5.0 mm at the anterior commissure. Low, asymmetrical, subangular rugae on the entire ventral valve. Rugae number 13–14 in 5.0 mm near umbo, 4–5 in 5.0 mm near anterior commissure. Ribs cross rugae.

Remarks.—The specimen is assigned to *Fluctuaria undata* based on its small size and ornamentation of prominent thin ribs crossing subangular rugae. The density of ribs is similar to that reported by Davidson (1862a: 161).

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Fluctuaria undata* is recorded from the Mississippian of Northumberland (Davidson 1862a), the Visean of the Isle of Man (Muir-Wood and Cooper 1960), and the Asbian–Brigantian (upper Visean), of Derbyshire and Yorkshire (Brunton and Tilsley 1991; this study) in England. Davidson (1862a) also recorded some specimens from Scotland and Ireland. The species is also recorded from the upper Visean of Visé, Belgium (Muir-Wood and Cooper 1960), the Mississippian of Ukraine (Ohar 2021), the Serpukhovian of Kazakhstan, the Visean of Tibet, the upper Visean of the Urals region (Chen 2004), and the upper Visean–Serpukhovian of China (Chen 2004; Yuan et al. 2019; Shen et al. 2017).

Family Monticuliferidae Muir-Wood and Cooper, 1960

Subfamily Auricolispininae Waterhouse, 1986

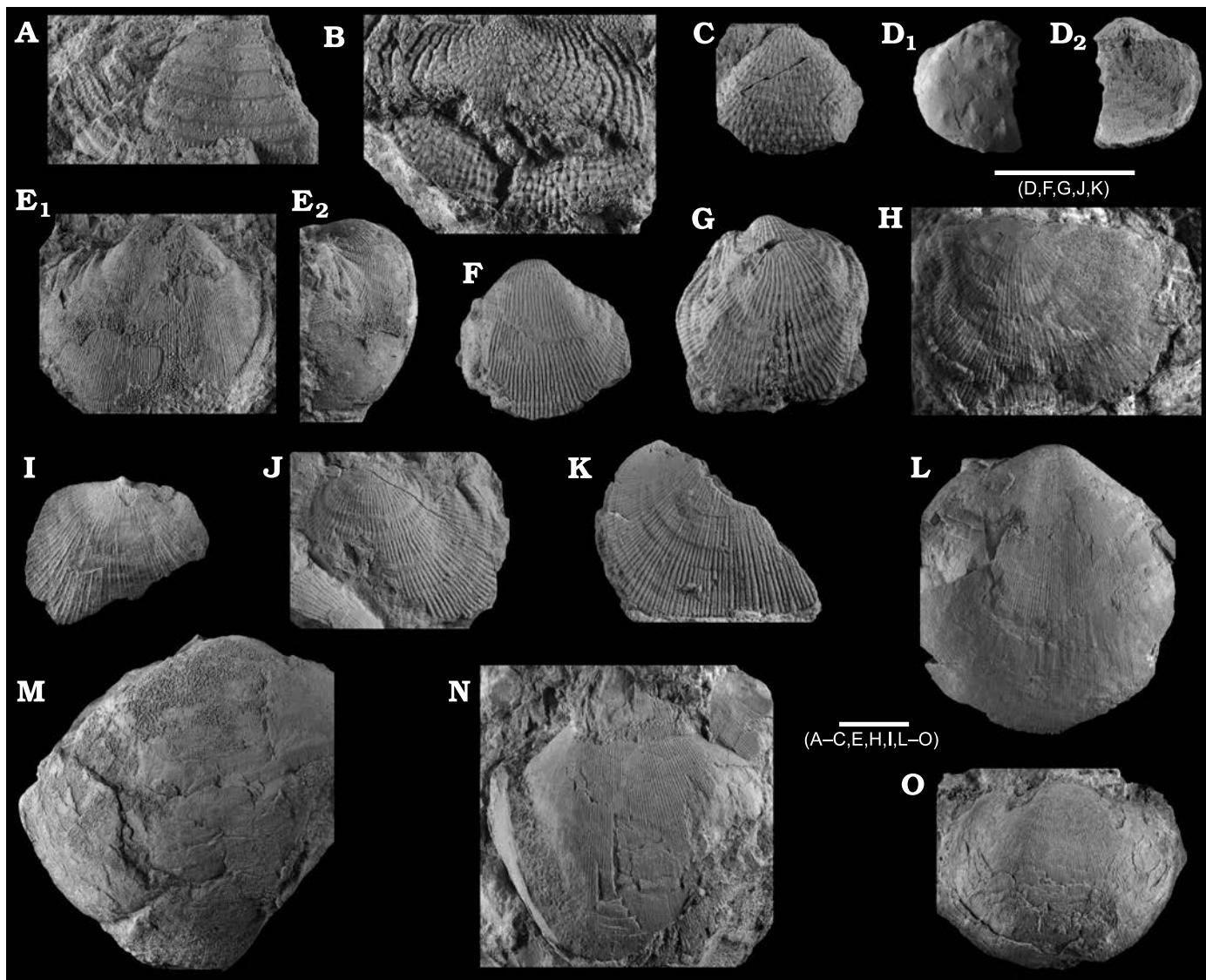


Fig. 13. Echinoconchidae, Linoprotidae, Monticuliferidae, Orthotetida, and Orthida from the Brigantian (uppermost Visean) of Ricklow Quarry, near Monyash, Derbyshire, UK (localities RCC-, RCK-; see Fig. 3). **A.** *Echinoconchus punctatus* (Sowerby, 1822), MPUM11976 (RCK15-47) in ventral view. **B–D.** *Pustula* cf. *pustulosa* (Phillips, 1836). **B.** MPUM11989 (RCC128-17a) dorsal valve external cast. **C.** MPUM11987 (RCC41-1) in ventral view. **D.** MPUM11988 (RCC128-7) in ventral (**D₁**) and dorsal (**D₂**) views. **E, F.** *Linoprotonia* sp. **E.** MPUM11991 (RCC42-17) in ventral (**E₁**) and lateral (**E₂**) views. **F.** MPUM11992 (RCC60-59) in ventral view. **G.** *Fluctuaria undata* (Defrance, 1826), MPUM11926 (RCC300-14) ventral valve in ventral view. **H.** ?*Serratocrista* aff. *dalriensis* McIntosh, 1974, MPUM11997 (RCC10-40) ventral valve in ventral view. **I.** *Schellwienella* sp., MPUM11995 (RCC36-12) ventral valve in ventral view. **J, K.** *Schizophoria* (*Schizophoria*) cf. *connivens* (Phillips, 1836). **J.** MPUM12009 (RCC60-48) in ventral view. **K.** MPUM12010 (RCC1B-7) dorsal valve in dorsal view. **L–O.** *Schizophoria* (*Schizophoria*) *resupinata* (Martin, 1809). **L.** MPUM12003 (RCC1B-4) dorsal valve in dorsal view. **M.** MPUM11999 (RCC1B-26) in dorsal view. **N.** MPUM12004 (RCC1B-25) dorsal valve in dorsal view. **O.** MPUM12005 (RCC36-1a) dorsal valve in dorsal view. Scale bars 10 mm.

Genus *Linoprotonia* Ferguson, 1971

Type species: *Productus hemisphaericus* Sowerby, 1822, from the Asbian, upper Visean, of Somerset, England, and Wales.

Remarks.—The genus was erected by Ferguson (1971) for Mississippian linoprotidoid species formerly attributed to *Linoprotodus* Chao, 1927, but differing from the upper Carboniferous–Permian species assigned to the latter in having internal characters similar to those of *Gigantoprotodus* Prentice, 1950. Externally, *Linoprotonia* species differ from those of *Gigantoprotodus* in being smaller, in having a

shorter cardinal margin and less developed ears, a more enrolled umbo, thinner shell substance, finer radial ornamentation and in commonly lacking plicae on trail.

Linoprotonia sp.

Fig. 13E, F.

Material.—Three articulated specimens: MPUM11991 (RCC42-17); MPUM11992 (RCC60-59); MPUM11993 (RCC73-23f). Two fragments: MPUM11994 (RCC73-30b; RCK15-60). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow

Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Medium-sized, transversely semicircular shell. Cardinal margin wide, almost corresponding to maximum width, which is attained anteriorly. Ears moderate, poorly separated. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Ventral valve regularly convex, weakly geniculated. Trail convex, gently flaring laterally. Umbo strongly enrolled.

Ventral valve surface multicostellate. Ribs cylindrical, straight, with narrow interspaces, increasing in number anteriorly by intercalation. Some ribs may be thicker and wider than neighbouring ones. Ribs number 15 per 5.0 mm, 20.0 mm from the umbo. Three to four prominent, subquadrate, concentric rugae restricted to umbonal flanks. Two symmetrical spine bases scars on umbonal flanks, 7.0 mm from the umbo.

Remarks.—The specimens are similar to both *Linoprotonia hemisphaerica* from the Asbian, upper Visean, and its ancestor (Ferguson 1971) *L. corrugatohemisphaerica* (Vaughan, 1905) from the Holkerian, middle Visean, of Great Britain. The specimens are close to *L. hemisphaerica* in their dimensions and outline, but differ from it in having denser radial ornamentation. They share with *L. corrugatohemisphaerica* the radial ornamentation, though they are larger, they lack the characteristic pointed umbo displayed by *L. corrugatohemisphaerica* (Ferguson 1971: pl. 41: 8) and have a more convex ventral valve.

Order Orthotetida Waagen, 1884

Suborder Orthotetidina Waagen, 1884

Superfamily Orthotetoidea Waagen, 1884

Family Pustiidae Cooper and Grant, 1974

Genus *Schellwienella* Thomas, 1910

Type species: *Spirifera crenistria* Phillips, 1836, from the Visean Pendle Group of Bowland, Yorkshire, England.

Remarks.—The genus differs from *Pulsia* Ivanov, 1925, as this has parallel dental plates; from *Meekella* White and St. John, 1867, of the Meekellidae Stehli, 1954, as this shows dental plates converging on the valve floor.

Schellwienella sp.

Fig. 13I.

Material.—One ventral valve: MPUM11995 (RCC36-12). One fragment: MPUM11996 (RCC128-17b). Both from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Small, ventral shell moderately convex posteriorly, flat anteriorly. Cardinal margin straight, wide. Ventral umbo straight; interarea low, apsacrine, asymmetrical. Convex, smooth pseudodeltidium, no monticulus; perideltidium evident. Apical angle 60°.

Ventral valve ornamented by two orders of ribs. Primary

ribs have wide flat interspaces, and increase in number anteriorly by intercalation. One to two thinner secondary ribs are present between each pair of primary ribs, starting 10.0 mm from the umbo, increasing in number anteriorly by intercalation, becoming four between each pair of primary ribs at the anterior margin. Weak concentric micro-ornamentation of growth lines.

Short dental plates diverging from each other at 60°. Long bilobed cardinal process, directed postero-ventrally; lobes diverging from each other with an angle of 120°.

Remarks.—The specimen shows an ornamentation which is distinctive of a small number of Western European *Schellwienella* species: *S. cylindrica* (M'Coy, 1844) from the Visean of Castle Espie (Ireland), *S. ornata* Demanet, 1934, from the Visé Formation at Visé (Belgium), and *S. scotica* Reed, 1954, from the Visean of the Midland Valley of Scotland. The specimen differs from *S. ornata* by having a coarser ornamentation, fewer secondary ribs intercalated between primary ribs, a larger angle of divergence between the dental plates (25° in *S. ornata*; Mottequin and Simon 2017) and a broader pseudodeltidium. The specimen strongly resembles *S. scotica* specimens figured by McIntosh (1974: pl. I: I-N) both in rib density and dental plates divergence angle. However, it is also similar to *S. cylindrica*, which differs from *S. scotica* in having a resupinate ventral valve and strongly convex dorsal valve. As the specimen is a ventral valve broken anteriorly, no information about its outline and lateral profile is available. The specimen is thus left in open nomenclature.

Family Schuchertellidae Williams, 1953

Subfamily Schuchertellinae Williams, 1953

Genus *Serratocrista* Brunton, 1968

Type species: *Serratocrista fistulosa* Brunton, 1968, from the Asbian, upper Visean, of County Fermanagh, Ireland.

Remarks.—The genus was established by Brunton (1968) to include orthotetidines similar to *Schuchertella* Thomas, 1910, but lacking a median dorsal septum (though *Serratocrista cylindricosta* McIntosh, 1974, has a faint one). *Serratocrista* also differs from *Schuchertella* in having a vestigial childium, faint muscle scars and in lacking a myophragm.

The genus differs from *Streptorhynchus* King, 1850, of the Streptorhynchinae Stehli, 1954, in lacking a dorsal median septum, in having socket ridges diverging at a low angle from the cardinal margin, instead of diverging at a high angle, and in having a low, broad ventral interarea, rather than a high, narrow one.

?*Serratocrista* aff. *dalriensis* McIntosh, 1974

Fig. 13H.

Material.—Two ventral valves: MPUM11997 (RCC10-40); MPUM11998 (RCC10-2) from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Medium-sized ventral valve with a semicircular outline, flat posteriorly, convex anteriorly. Cardinal margin straight, corresponding to maximum width. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Umbo moderate, straight. Ventral interarea low, broad, apsacline. Convex, smooth pseudodeltidium; no monticulus; perideltidium evident. Apical angle 60°.

Ventral valve covered by low, straight, rounded ribs with flat, commonly broad interspaces. Ribs increasing anteriorly by frequent intercalation. They number 7–10 per 5.0 mm, 30.0 mm from the umbo. Interspaces with faint concentric filae.

Dental plates and ventral median septum absent.

Remarks.—As the specimens are a disarticulated ventral valve and a fragment, no information about their dorsal internal features are available. Based on the absence of a ventral septum and dental plates the specimens seem to belong to a species of Schuchertellinae. They resemble *Serratocrista dalriensis* from the Namurian (Serpukhovian) of the Midland Valley of Scotland in their broad pseudodeltidium and ribs density. They can be also included in the size range of the type series of *S. dalriensis* (McIntosh 1974: 218), but differ from it by lacking branching costellae.

Class Rhynchonellata Williams, Alwyn, Carlson, Brunton, Holmer, and Popov, 1996

Order Orthida Schuchert and Cooper, 1932

Suborder Dalmanellidina Moore, 1952

Superfamily Enteletoidae Waagen, 1884

Family Schizophoriidae Schuchert and LeVene, 1929

Genus *Schizophoria* King, 1850

Subgenus *Schizophoria* King, 1850

Type species: *Conchyliolithus Anomites (resupinatus)* Martin, 1809, from the Visean of Derbyshire, England.

Remarks.—*Schizophoria* contains a large number of species from all over the World, with great morphological variability. Lazarev (1976) established two subgenera: *Paraschizophoria* and *Pockockia* but, as indicated by Harper (2000), the use of Lazarev's subgenera in the literature is restricted.

Schizophoria is distinguished from *Aulacophoria* Schuchert and Cooper, 1931, from the Mississippian of Europe as this has a planoconvex profile, with a catacline ventral interarea.

***Schizophoria (Schizophoria) resupinata* (Martin, 1809)**

Fig. 13L–O.

1809 *Conchyliolithus Anomites (resupinatus)*; Martin 1809: pl. 49: 13.

1862 *Orthis resupinata* (Martin, 1809) var. *connivens* Phillips, 1836; Davidson 1862a: 131, pl. 29: 6,7; pl. 30: 1–5.

non 1862 *Orthis resupinata* Martin, 1809; Davidson 1862a: 130, pl. 29: 1–3; pl. 30: 1–5.

non 1862 *Orthis resupinata* Martin, 1809 var. *gibbera* Portlock, 1843; Davidson 1862a: 130, pl. 29: 5.

- 1965 *Schizophoria resupinata* (Martin, 1809); Wright 1965: H332, fig. 210: 5a–b.
- 1968 *Schizophoria resupinata* (Martin, 1809); Pocock 1968: 80, text-figs. 13–15, pl. 18: 7a–b. (cum syn.)
- 1991 *Schizophoria resupinata* (Martin, 1809); Brunton and Tilsley 1991: 289.
- 2000 *Schizophoria (Schizophoria) resupinata* (Martin, 1809); Harper 2000: fig. 612: a–b.
- 2000 *Schizophoria (Schizophoria) resupinata* (Martin, 1809) *lata* Stainbrook, 1940; Harper 2000: fig. 612: c–f.
- 2006 *Schizophoria resupinata* (Martin, 1809); Bassett and Bryant 2006: 504, pl. 6: 1–10; pl. 7: 1–16; text-figs. 6, 7.
- non 2007 *Schizophoria resupinata* (Martin, 1809); Butts 2007: 55: 5.3–5.10.
- 2010 *Schizophoria resupinata* (Martin, 1809); Mottequin 2010: 259, pl. 2: 12–13; text-fig. 13.
- 2011 *Schizophoria (Schizophoria) resupinata* (Martin, 1809); Bahramanesh et al. 2011: fig. 7: f–g.
- ?2014 *Schizophoria resupinata* (Martin, 1809); Ibaraki et al. 2014: 73, figs. 4.1, 4.2. (cum syn.)
- 2016 *Schizophoria resupinata* (Martin, 1809); Denayer et al. 2016: fig. 7M.
- ?2016 *Schizophoria resupinata* (Martin, 1809); Tazawa et al. 2016: 57: figs. 6.1, 6.2. (cum syn.)
- 2017 *Schizophoria (Schizophoria) resupinata* (Martin, 1809); Qiao et al. 2017: fig. 5e.
- ?2019 *Schizophoria pinguis* Demanet, 1934; Tazawa and Kurita 2019: 222, fig. 4b–c. (cum syn.)

Material.—Three articulated specimens: MPUM11999 (RCC1B-26); MPUM12000 (RCC1B-3; RCC60-1b). One ventral valves: MPUM12002 (RCC1B-20a). Six dorsal valves: MPUM12003 (RCC1B-4); MPUM12004 (RCC1B-25); MPUM12005 (RCC36-1a); MPUM12006 (RCC10-35a; RCC108-2; RCC110-1a). One unidentified valve: MPUM 12007 (RCC110-3a). Twenty-seven fragments: MPUM12008 (RCC1-3, 34b; RCC1B-2, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12a, 14, 17, 21, 24a, 27c, 27d, 28, 29; RCC32-8b; RCC36-2, 4, 5; RCC41-12; RCC42-31, 33; RCC60-18b; RCC128-14, 21; RCK15-60b). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Medium-sized, dorsibiconvex shell with transversely oval outline; cardinal margin straight, reaching more than two-thirds of maximum width, which is attained at one-third shell length. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Ventral valve gently convex to slightly concave anteriorly. Ventral umbo straight. Interarea low, apsacline. Dorsal valve regularly convex. Dorsal umbo slightly curved. Shallow, flat sulcus may develop near the umbo, increasing in width, but becoming obsolete anteriorly.

Entire surface of both valves multicostellate. Ribs start at umbo, unless for rare intercalating costellae. Ribs rounded, very low, with narrow interspaces. Ribs number 3–4 per 1.0 mm, 22.0 mm from the umbo.

Remarks.—The specimens are assigned to *Schizophoria (Schizophoria) resupinata* because their morphology, size and ornamentation are comprised in the variability of the species as it was re-described by Pocock (1968), based on

Mississippian specimens from Belgium, Great Britain, and Ireland. They also match the description for *S. (S.) resupinata* given by Bassett and Bryant (2006) and Bahrammanesh et al. (2011).

The specimens differ from *S. connivens* (Phillips, 1836) by being larger, by lacking a quadrate–uniplicate anterior commissure and by having a finer multicostellate ornamentation; from *S. gibbera* by lacking a high, rounded anterior uniplication; from *S. woodi* Bond, 1941, by lacking a narrow angular ventral sulcus and from *S. linguata* Quenstedt, 1871, and *S. annectans* Pocock, 1968, in being larger, in having a coarser multicostellate ornamentation and a rectimarginate commissure.

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Schizophoria (Schizophoria) resupinata* is recorded in the uppermost Famennian–Pennsylvanian of Great Britain and Ireland (e.g., Davidson 1862a; Parkinson 1954a; Wolfenden 1958; Brunton 1968; Mitchell 1971; Bassett and Bryant 2006; this study), Belgium (e.g., Pocock 1968), Germany (Winkler-Prins and Amler 2006), the Donets and Moscow basins in Ukraine and western Russia (e.g., Sarycheva and Sokolskaya 1952), Siberia (Kuznetsk Basin; e.g., Sarycheva et al. 1963), north Iran (Mobarak Formation; Bahrammanesh et al. 2011), Kazakhstan, Kirghizistan and China (e.g., Sun and Baliński 2008). It is abundant in the Visean of Eurasia (Pocock 1968).

Schizophoria (Schizophoria) cf. connivens (Phillips, 1836)

Fig. 13J, K.

Material.—One articulated specimen: MPUM12009 (RCC60-48). One dorsal valve: MPUM12010 (RCC1B-7). Both from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Remarks.—The specimens are a poorly convex valve and a fragment of the anterior part of an articulated specimen with a transverse oval outline and an inequibiconvex profile. Both specimens are covered by prominent cylindrical ribs with narrow interspaces, increasing in number anteriorly by intercalation. Ribs number 3 per 1.0 mm at the anterior commissure. Regularly concentric lamellae are developed, having a width of 2.0 mm.

The specimens differ from *S. resupinata* by having a more prominent ribbing, thus they are tentatively assigned to *S. connivens*, from the Mississippian of Yorkshire, which is small and characterised by prominent ribbing and concentric lamellae (Pocock 1968).

Order Rhynchonellida Kuhn, 1949

Superfamily Pugnacoidea Rzhonsnitskaia, 1956

Family Pugnacidae Rzhonsnitskaia, 1956

Genus *Pleuropugnoides* Ferguson, 1966

Type species: *Terebratula pleurodon* Phillips, 1836, from the lower Visean of England.

Remarks.—Savage et al. (2002) described *Pleuropugnoides* as having fold and sulcus starting at the umbones. However, it is evident from the published photographs (Savage et al. 2002: fig. 800: 1a–k) that in fact the fold and sulcus start from the mid-length.

The genus differs from *Pugnoides* Weller, 1910, *Propriopugnus* Brunton, 1984, and *Pugnax* Hall and Clarke, 1893, by the more pronounced ornamentation of costae covering the entire surface of both valves.

Pleuropugnoides pleurodon (Phillips, 1836)

Figs. 14A–G, 15A.

- 1836 *Terebratula pleurodon*; Phillips 1836: 222: pl. 12: 25–28.
 1861 *Rhynchonella pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836); Davidson 1861a: 101, pl. 23: 1–6, non 7, 8–11, non 12–17, ?18, 19–21, non 22. (cum syn.)
 1890 *Rhynchonella pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836); Walther 1890: 433, pl. 24: 9a–d.
 1900 *Rhynchonella pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836); Frech and Arthaber 1900: 201, fig. 13: a–d.
 non 1917 *Rhynchonella* (?*pugnax*) cf. *pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836); Trechmann 1917: 59, pl. 5: 6–8.
 1952 *Camarotoechia pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836); Sarycheva and Sokolskaya 1952: 176, pl. 46.
 non 1965 *Coledium pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836); Grant 1965: pl. 18: 3.
 1966 *Pleuropugnoides pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836); Ferguson 1966: 355, pl. 23: 1–11.
 1968 *Camarotoechia pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836); Korejwo and Teller 1968: pl. 20: 2–3.
 1969 *Pleuropugnoides pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836); Parkinson 1969: pl. 19: 1–4; pl. 20: 1, 3, 4, non 2.
 1974 *Pleuropugnoides pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836); Brunton and Champion 1974: 819, pl. 108: 1–4.
 1984 *Pleuropugnoides pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836); Brunton 1984: 34–36, figs. 5–8.
 1991 *Pleuropugnoides pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836); Brunton and Tilsley 1991: 289.
 1991 *Pleuropugnoides pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836); Martinez-Chacon and Legrand-Blain 1992: 117, pl. 5: 5–9.
 1995 *Pleuropugnoides pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836); Kora 1995: 3q.
 2002 *Pleuropugnoides pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836); Savage et al. 2002: fig. 800: 1a–k.
 ?2011 *Pleuropugnoides pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836); El-Shazly 2011: pl. 3: 1, 4.

Material.—Twenty articulated shells: MPUM12011 (RCC49-22); MPUM12012 (RCC73-9); MPUM12013 (RCK15-4); MPUM12014 (RCK15-15); MPUM12015 (RCK15-19); MPUM12016 (RCK15-29); MPUM12017 (RCK15B-3); MPUM12018 (RCC1-23c; RCC49-10c, 17, 18, 44; RCC54-17c; RCC73-23a, 23b; RCC300-9; RCK15-1d, 1e, 46a, 46c). Three ventral valves: MPUM12019 (RCC1-27b; RCC129-2; RCK15-46b). Five dorsal valves: MPUM12020 (RCC41-17b; RCC48-26b, 40; RCC49-4; RCK17-3). Sixteen fragments: MPUM12020 (RCC1-8g; RCC1B-5b, 12b, 23b; RCC12-24; RCC41-17c; RCC42-38; RCC49-8b, 30, 43; RCC54-9; RCC65G-24; RCC73-23b; RCK15-8b, 41, 46d). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

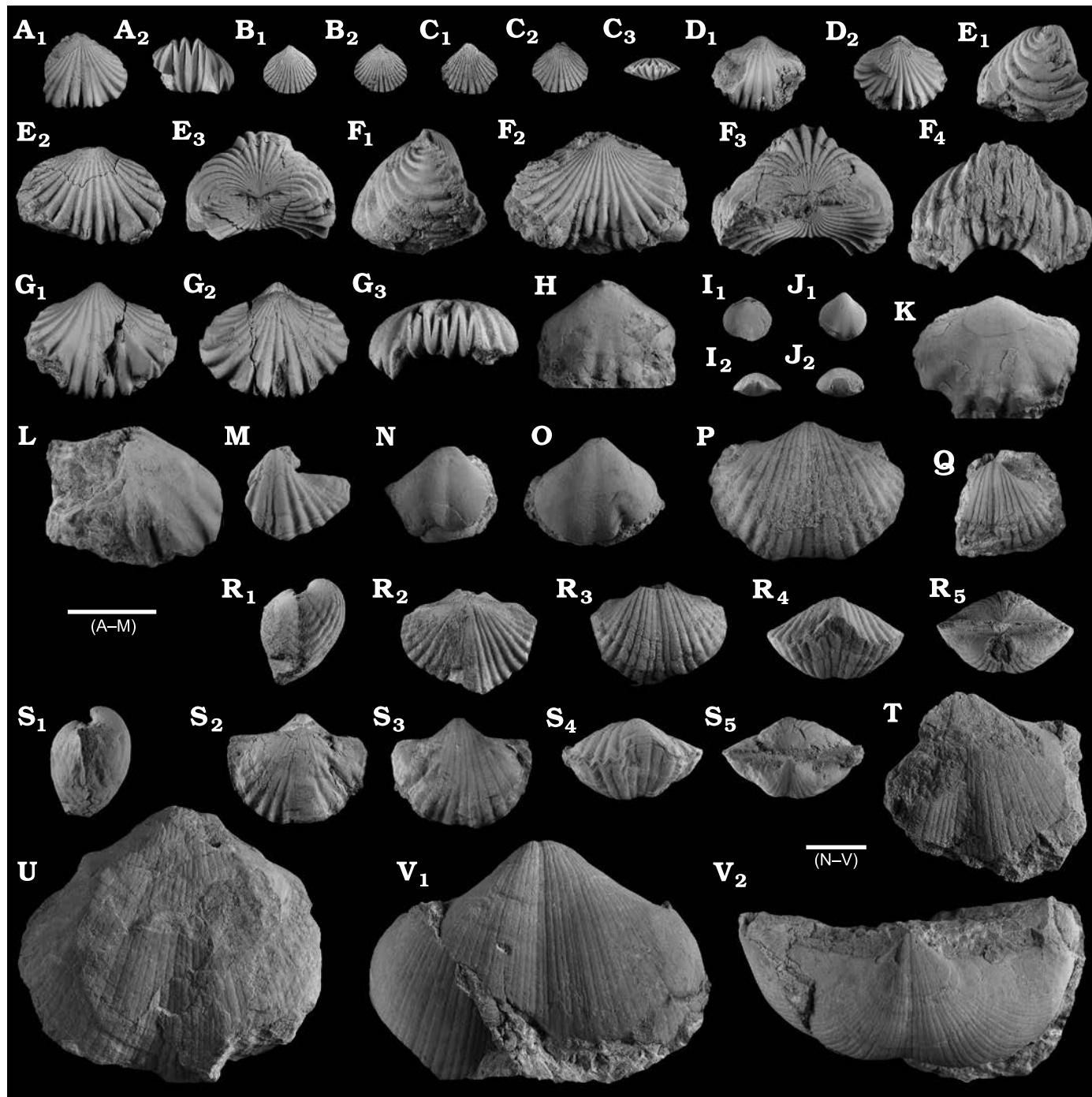


Fig. 14. Rhynchonellida and Spiriferida from the Brigantian (uppermost Visean) of Ricklow Quarry, near Monyash (localities RCC-, RCK-; Fig. 3) and Wensley Dale, near Matlock (locality WI1; Fig. 2), Derbyshire, UK. **A–G.** *Pleuropugnoides pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836). **A.** MPUM12011 (RCC49-22) in dorsal (A₁) and anterior (A₂) views. **B.** MPUM12013 (RCK15-4) in ventral (B₁) and dorsal (B₂) views. **C.** MPUM12017 (RCK15B-3) in ventral (C₁), dorsal (C₂), and anterior (C₃) views. **D.** MPUM12015 (RCK15-19) in ventral (D₁) and dorsal (D₂) view. **E.** MPUM12014 (RCK15-15) in lateral (E₁), ventral (E₂), and posterior (E₃) views. **F.** MPUM12012 (RCC73-9) in lateral (F₁), ventral (F₂), posterior (F₃), and anterior (F₄) views. **G.** MPUM12016 (RCK15-29) in ventral (G₁), dorsal (G₂), and anterior (G₃) views. **H–L.** *Propriopugnus pugnus* (Martin, 1809). **H.** MPUM12021 (RCC2-55) in dorsal view. **I.** MPUM12022 (RCC3-7) in dorsal (I₁) and anterior (I₂) views. **J.** MPUM12024 (RCC73-22b) in ventral (J₁) and anterior (J₂) views. **K.** MPUM12026 (RCC60-4d) dorsal valve in dorsal view. **L.** MPUM12028 (WI1-33) in dorsal view. **M.** ?*Fusella* sp., MPUM12037 (RCC128-5) ventral valve in ventral view. **N, O.** Martiniiinae gen. et sp. indet. **N.** MPUM12065 (RCC2-58a) ventral valve in ventral view. **O.** MPUM12066 (WI1-32) ventral valve in ventral view. **P–S.** *Angiospirifer bisulcatus* (Sowerby, 1825). **P.** MPUM12032 (WI1-12a) in ventral view. **Q.** MPUM12035 (WI1-11) ventral valve in ventral view. **R.** MPUM12031 (WI1-10) in lateral (R₁), dorsal (R₂), ventral (R₃), anterior (R₄), and posterior (R₅) views. **S.** MPUM12033 (WI1-30) in lateral (S₁), dorsal (S₂), ventral (S₃), anterior (S₄), and posterior (S₅) views. **T–V.** *Latibrachythiris* cf. *crassa* (De Koninck, 1843). **T.** MPUM12039 (RCC1-34a) ventral valve in ventral view. **U.** MPUM12038 (RCC1-21) ventral valve in ventral view. **V.** MPUM12041 (RCC54-17a) ventral valve in ventral (V₁) and posterior (V₂) views. Scale bars 10 mm.

Description.—Small, dorsibiconvex shell with transversely suboval outline; cardinal margin curved; maximum width at shell mid-length. Anterior commissure strongly uniplicate with zig-zag profile; tongue high, trapezoid. Ventral valve flat posteriorly, gently concave anteriorly. Umbo slightly curved; palintrope orthocline. Foramen submesothyrid. Dorsal valve evenly convex. Dorsal umbo straight; dorsal palintrope orthocline, sealed by the ventral valve. Ventral sulcus and dorsal fold well developed, starting from shell mid-length.

Ornamentation consists of coarse, low, rounded costae becoming high and angular anteriorly, with narrow interspaces. Ventral sulcus usually with four costae; dorsal fold with five costae; five to seven lateral costae. Microornamentation of faint growth lamellae.

There is variability in profile thickness and shape due to variation of the dorsal valve convexity (e.g., RCK15-15, Fig. 14E; RCK15-29; Fig. 14G). The number of lateral costae is variable, as it is their width: from four to six costae per 5.0 mm width at 5.0 mm from the dorsal umbo.

Juvenile shells are ovatotriangular in outline, equally biconvex, with a narrow body cavity and are ornamented by costae with narrow interspaces (e.g., RCK15-4, Fig. 15A). At a length of about 6.0 mm, an incipient tongue develops in the ventral valve (e.g., RCK15B-3, Fig. 14C), while an incipient fold in the dorsal one. During ontogeny, they change in shape, from equally biconvex to strongly dorsibiconvex.

Remarks.—The specimens have a more exposed palintrope and more angular costae with respect to the early Visean specimens of *Pleuropugnoidea pleurodon* from Derbyshire (Thorpe Cloud) and Yorkshire (Bolland) on which Ferguson (1966) based his revision of the species. However, both Parkinson (1969) and Brunton and Champion (1974) illustrated specimens of *P. pleurodon* from the middle Visean of Yorkshire and Derbyshire and the lower Visean of the Manifold Valley (Staffordshire, England) respectively that have angular costae and a rather exposed palintrope.

Brigantian (uppermost Visean) specimens from Ricklow Quarry have four, rarely three costae in the sulcus; thus, they do not support the trend of increasing number of sulcal costae (from two to six) through the Visean envisaged for the species by Parkinson (1969) and recorded also by Brunton (1984).

Pleuropugnoidea pleurodon differs from the allied species *P. flexistria* (Phillips, 1836) in lacking numerous intercalating and bifurcating costellae and narrower lateral costae with respect to the ones on the folds and sulcus, and from *P. greenleightonensis* Ferguson, 1966, as this species has a distinctive rhomboidal outline.

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Pleuropugnoidea pleurodon* is recorded in the Visean of Great Britain and Ireland (e.g., Ferguson 1966; Parkinson 1969; Mitchell 1971; Brunton and Champion 1974; Brunton 1984; Brunton and Tilsley 1991; Harper and Jeffrey 1996; Dean 2017; this study), Germany (e.g., Nicolaus 1963), Spain (e.g., Martinez-Chacon and Legrand-Blain 1992), Belgium (e.g., Demanet

1923), the Silesian Basin, Poland and the Czech Republic (Ostrava Formation; e.g., Jirasek et al. 2012; Žakowa 1971), and North Africa (e.g., Pareyn 1961; Massa et al. 1974; Dedok and Hollard 1980; Kora 1995).

Genus *Propriopugnus* Brunton, 1984

Type species: *Conchyliolithus Anomites (pugnus)* Martin, 1809, from the upper Visean limestone of Castleton, Hope and Little-Longstone, Derbyshire, England.

Remarks.—The genus was erected by Brunton (1984) to include European rhynchonellides with a high fold and sulcus, a small septulum and a few costae originating in the posterior region of the shell. The specimens of *P. pugnus* figured by Davidson (1861a: pl. 22: 1–15), Parkinson (1954b: pl. 58: 1–15) and Savage et al. (2002: fig. 798: 1a–p) from the Visean of England have costae arising at one-third shell length and not at the umbones, as stated by Savage et al. (2002). Brunton and Tilsley (1991) included in *Propriopugnus* also *Pugnax pseudopugnus* (Parkinson, 1954b), from the upper Visean of England, which apparently lacks a dorsal median septum (Parkinson 1954b). *Propriopugnus* differs from *Pugnax* in having a lower, rounded fold and in having coarser costae.

Propriopugnus pugnus (Martin, 1809)

Fig. 14H–L.

- 1809 *Conchyliolithus Anomites (pugnus)*; Martin 1809: pl. 22: 4–5.
 1861 *Rhynchonella pugnus* (Martin, 1809); Davidson 1861a: 97, pl. 22: ?1, 2–15. (cum syn.)
 1951 *Pugnax pugnus* (Martin, 1809); Muir-Wood 1951: pl. 4: 3a–c.
 1952 *Pugnax pugnus* (Martin, 1809); Sarycheva and Sokolskaya 1952: 178, pl. 47.
 1954 *Pugnax pugnus* (Martin, 1809); Parkinson 1954b: 564, pl. 58: 1–15.
 1984 *Propriopugnus pugnus* (Martin, 1809); Brunton 1984: 32, figs. 3, 4.
 1991 *Propriopugnus pugnus* (Martin, 1809); Brunton and Tilsley 1991: 289.
 2002 *Propriopugnus pugnus* (Martin, 1809); Savage et al. 2002: fig. 798: 1a–p.

Material.—Thirteen articulated specimens: MPUM12021 (RCC2-55); MPUM12022 (RCC3-7); MPUM12023 (RCC60-44); MPUM12024 (RCC73-22b); MPUM12028 (WI1-33); MPUM12025 (RCC1B-40a; RCC10-1; RCC32-20; RCC41-18b; RCC42-25a, 39; RCC60-8b; RCC65G-15c). Two dorsal valves: MPUM12026 (RCC60-4d); MPUM12027 (RCC32-28c). One fragment: MPUM12029 (WI1-16). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian (RCC-, RCK-), and Wensley Dale, Matlock, Derbyshire, UK, Eyam Limestone Formation, upper Brigantian, upper Visean (WI1).

Description.—Small, dorsibiconvex shell with subpentagonal outline; cardinal margin curved; maximum width attained at shell mid-length. Anterior commissure strongly uniplicate with zig-zag profile; tongue high, trapezoid. Ventral umbo slightly curved; palintrope very low, orthocline to slightly apsacline. Delthyrium probably with deltidial plates. Sulcus developing at one-third shell length.

Dorsal umbo straight; palintrope orthocline, sealed by the ventral valve. High fold developing from shell mid-length.

Three simple, rounded costae with broad rounded interspaces developing from shell mid-length on fold, becoming higher and subangular anteriorly. Two faint costae developed on sulcus from shell mid-length. Two poorly defined low coarse costae developing on each flank near to the commissure. Micro-ornamentation of faint concentric growth lines, sporadic lamellae developed.

Short dorsal median septum, approximately 0.3 mm in length.

The juvenile shell has an oval outline, less transverse with respect to the adult shell, an equally biconvex shape and narrow body cavity. The shell is smooth. Sulcus and subelliptical tongue start to develop approximately at 3.5 mm shell length; fold develops later in ontogeny. Tongue becoming subtrapezoidal later in ontogeny.

Remarks.—The specimens show mesial costae, which start at shell mid-length. This is not the most usual pattern of ornamentation in *Propriopugnus pugnus* that commonly shows mesial costae originating in the posterior half of the shell. However, many specimens attributed to *P. pugnus* in the literature, as the ones from Ireland figured by Sowerby (1825: pl. 497: 1–5) and some of those figured by Davidson (1861a: pl. 2: 2, 9, 10, 15), have mesial costae originating from shell mid-length, so this feature seems to be contained in the morphological variability of the species. The specimens differ from *P. pseudopugnus* in having more rounded costae, a higher average number of mesial costae and an incipient dorsal median septum (Parkinson 1954b).

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Propriopugnus pugnus* is widely reported from Visean units in Great Britain and Ireland (e.g., Davidson 1861a; Parkinson 1954b; Mitchell 1971; Brunton 1984; Brunton and Tilsley 1991; Brand 2011; Dean 2017; this study), Belgium and the eastern side of the Urals Mountains (Davidson 1861a).

Order Spiriferida Waagen, 1883

Suborder Spiriferidina Waagen, 1883

Superfamily Ambocoelioidea George, 1931

Family Ambocoeliidae George, 1931

Genus *Crurithyris* George, 1931

Type species: *Spirifer urei* Fleming, 1828, from the upper Visean of Strathaven, Lanarkshire (Scotland).

Remarks.—*Crurithyris* has no inner hinge plates (Brunton 1984), which allows to distinguish it from *Ambothyris* George, 1931, from the Middle Devonian of Devonshire.

Crurithyris urei (Fleming, 1828)

Fig. 15B.

1793 [unnamed]; Ure 1793: pl. 14: 12.

1828 *Spirifer urei*; Fleming 1828: 376.

1859 *Spirifera urii* Fleming, 1828; Davidson 1859: 58 (pars), pl. 12: 13–14.

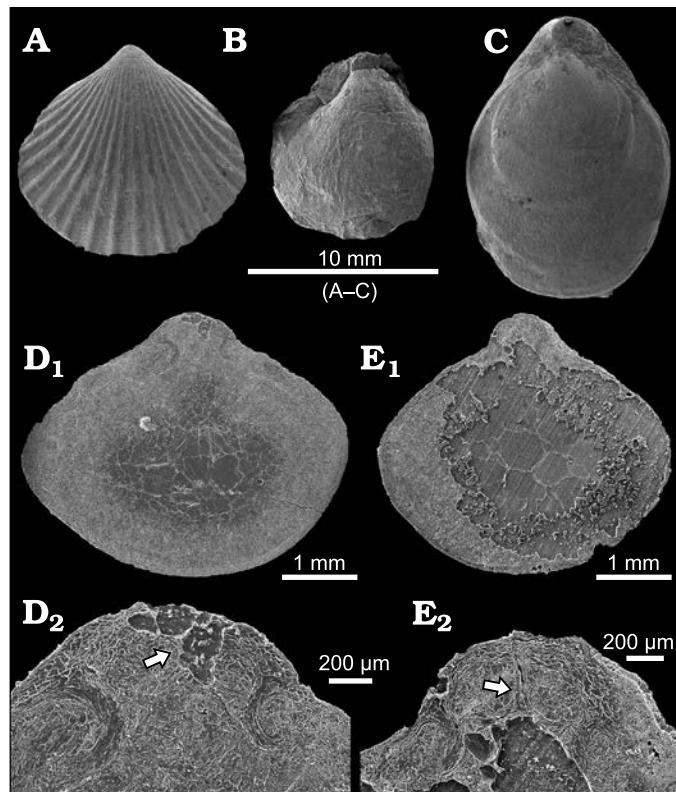


Fig. 15. SEM images of brachiopod specimens from the Brigantian (uppermost Visean) of Ricklow Quarry, near Monyash, Derbyshire, UK (localities RCC-, RCK-; Fig. 3). A. Pugnacid *Pleuropugnoides pleurodon* (Phillips, 1836), MPUM12013 (RCK15-4) in ventral view. B. Ambocoelid *Crurithyris urei* (Fleming, 1828), MPUM12030 (RCC42-25b) in ventral view. C. Gillediid ?*Balanococoncha* sp., MPUM12094 (RCC10-15a) in dorsal view. D, E. Cranaenid *Hartella oakleyi* Brunton, 1982. D. MPUM12088 (RCC65G-13), serial section 1.0 mm from the umbo. E. MPUM12088 (RCC48-31), serial section 1.6 mm from the umbo. Detail showing absence of dental plates (D₁, E₁), focus showing Y-shaped septalium (D₂, E₂).

1862 *Spirifera urii* Fleming, 1828; Davidson 1862a: pl. 54: 14.

1899 *Ambocoelia parva*; Weller 1899: 20, pl. 4: 1–4.

1931 *Crurithyris urei* (Fleming, 1828); George 1931: 55, pl. 4: 1–4.

1931 *Crurithyris magnispina*; George 1931: 50, pl. 5: 1–4.

1965 *Crurithyris urei* (Fleming, 1828); Pitrat 1965: fig. 546: 6a–d.

1984 *Crurithyris urei* (Fleming, 1828); Brunton 1984: 66, figs. 83, 85–92.

1991 *Crurithyris urei* (Fleming, 1828); Brunton and Tilsley 1991: 290.

?1991 *Crurithyris magnispina* George, 1931; Brunton and Tilsley 1991: 290.

2006 *Crurithyris urei* (Fleming, 1828); Johnson et al. 2006: fig. 1138: 4a–d.

Material.—One articulated specimen: MPUM12030 (RCC 42-25b) from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Small, ventribiconvex shell with suboval outline; cardinal margin straight, extending two-thirds of maximum width. Cardinal angles obtuse, cardinal extremities subangular. Anterior commissure unisulcate. Ventral interarea low, apsacline. Ventral sulcus absent. Dorsal valve evenly convex. Dorsal interarea very low, orthocline to gen-

tly anacline. Low, broad sulcus starting from one-third shell length. Shell smooth. Crural bases strong, almost parallel, 1.0 mm long, each forming an angle of 80° with the cardinal margin. Dorsal median septum absent.

Remarks.—The specimen is assigned to *Crurithyris urei*, instead of the closely allied species *C. nastus* Brunton and Champion, 1974, occurring in lower Visean strata of the Manifold Valley (Staffordshire), based on its regularly convex dorsal valve and crural bases. *C. nastus* shows a dorsal valve becoming flat anteriorly and shorter, diverging crural bases.

Crurithyris magnispina George, 1931, is very similar to *C. urei* and was considered as a synonym by Brunton (1984); later Brunton and Tilsley (1991) differentiated it only based on larger adult size. The specimen from Ricklow Quarry falls in the size range for *C. urei*.

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Crurithyris urei* is recorded in the Asbian–Brigantian (upper Visean) of northern England, Scotland, and Wales (e.g., George 1931; Brunton 1984; Wilson 1989; Brunton and Tilsley 1991; this study) and in the Tournaisian–upper Visean of the Moscow Basin (Sarycheva and Sokolskaya 1952).

Superfamily Martinioidea Waagen, 1883

Family Martiniidae Waagen, 1883

Subfamily Martiniinae Waagen, 1883

Martiniinae gen. et sp. indet.

Fig. 14N, O.

Material.—Two ventral valves: MPUM12065 (RCC2-58a); MPUM12066 (WI1-32) from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian (RCC-, RCK-), and Wensley Dale, Matlock, Derbyshire, UK, Eyam Limestone Formation, upper Brigantian, upper Visean (WI1).

Description.—Small shell with suboval outline; maximum width at shell mid-length. Anterior commissure uniplicate. Shallow, rounded sulcus develops at 10.0 mm from the umbo, extending into a tongue anteriorly. Few growth lamellae and growth lines. Ventral adminicula and septum absent.

Remarks.—The specimens are attributed to the Martiniinae based on their concentric ornamentation, shallow sulcus and absence of ventral adminicula. They are left under open nomenclature due to their poor preservation.

Superfamily Spiriferoidea King, 1846

Family Choristitidae Waterhouse, 1968

Subfamily Angiospiriferinae Legrand-Blain, 1985

Genus *Angiospirifer* Legrand-Blain, 1985

Type species: *Conchyliolithus Anomites (trigonalis)* Martin, 1809 from the Brigantian, uppermost Visean, of Scotland.

Remarks.—The genus differs from other Mississippian spiriferoids in having prominent simple costae and in lacking a strong transversely elongated outline. It differs from

Brachythyrina Fredericks, 1929, from the Mississippian–Permian of Europe and Asia, in being larger, in having a broader sulcus-fold and ventral adminicula.

Angiospirifer bisulcatus (Sowerby, 1825)

Fig. 14P–S.

1825 *Spirifer bisulcatus*; Sowerby 1825: 152, pl. 494: 1–2.

1858 *Spirifera bisulcatus* Sowerby, 1825; Davidson 1858: 31 (pars), pl. 4: 1; pl. 5: 1; pl. 6: 1–9, 13–17; pl. 7: 4.

1991 *Spirifer bisulcatus* Sowerby, 1825; Brunton and Tilsley 1991: 293.

2008 *Spirifer bisulcatus* Sowerby, 1825; Legrand-Blain 2008: pl. 3: 1–2.

2011 *Angiospirifer bisulcatus* (Sowerby, 1825); Angiolini et al. 2011: 74, figs. 1, 2, 6A–I. (cum syn.)

Material.—Four articulated specimens: MPUM12031 (WI1-10); MPUM12032 (WI1-12a); MPUM12033 (WI1-30); MPUM12034 (WI1-39). Two ventral valves: MPUM12035 (WI1-11); MPUM12036 (WI1-36). All from Wensley Dale, Matlock, Derbyshire, UK, Eyam Limestone Formation, upper Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Medium-sized, ventribiconvex shell with semicircular outline; cardinal margin straight, slightly less or corresponding to the maximum width. Cardinal angles acute to obtuse, cardinal extremities subangular. Anterior commissure uniplicate. Ventral interarea apsacrine, denticulate. Low, rounded sulcus starting near umbo, widening and deepening anteriorly, extending in a subrounded tongue at the commissure. Dorsal interarea orthocline, very low. High, subrounded fold starting 5.0 mm from umbo, widening and increasing in height anteriorly.

Ornamentation consists of coarse, rounded, simple costae with narrow, rounded interspaces. Costae number 4–5 per 10.0 mm at the anterior commissure. Ventral sulcus with five ribs: one mesial costa widening anteriorly, not distinctly larger than lateral ones, which derive from bifurcation near the umbo of the sulcus-bounding costae. Fold with four indistinct ribs. Irregularly spaced lamellae covering both valves.

Remarks.—The specimens are close to *Angiospirifer bisulcatus* in their morphology and ornamentation. They differ from *A. trigonalis* in having a lower and more rounded dorsal fold, in having a regularly semicircular outline, rather than subtriangular, and in lacking a median sulcal costa widening and thickening anteriorly with respect to the lateral ones. However, the specimens lack the sulci bordering the fold which characterize most dorsal valves of *A. bisulcatus*.

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Angiospirifer bisulcatus* is recorded in the upper Tournaisian–Visean of England and Ireland and the Visean of Belgium (Brunton and Tilsley 1991; Angiolini et al. 2011; this study).

Superfamily Paeckelmanelloidea Ivanova, 1972

Family Strophopleuridae Carter, 1974

Subfamily Bashkirinae Nalivkin, 1979

Genus *Fusella* M'Coy, 1844

Type species: *Spirifera fusiformis* Phillips, 1836, from the lower Visean of Bolland, Yorkshire, England.

Remarks.—*Fusella* was erected by M'Coy (1844) as a subgenus to include small spiriferides with a fusiform outline and very wide and high cardinal area. Buckman (1908) raised *Fusella* to genus level, and based on the type species *Fusella fusiformis* (Phillips, 1836), stated it to have a few faint costae in the sulcus. The internal characters of *F. fusiformis* are still unknown due to the rarity of the species. Brunton and Rissoné (1976) included in the genus *Spirifer rhomboidea* Phillips, 1836, from the lower–middle Visean of Great Britain and Ireland, describing its internal characters as an example to those for *Fusella*. However, *S. rhomboidea* has no costae in the sulcus. Also the allied *Voiceyella* Roberts, 1964, of the Strophopleurinae Carter, 1974, has no costae in the sulcus but is distinguished by disproportionately larger sulcus-bounding costae.

?*Fusella* sp.

Fig. 14M.

Material.—One ventral valve: MPUM12037 (RCC128-5) from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Small, strongly transverse shell. Maximum width at the cardinal margin. Cardinal angles strongly acute; cardinal extremities evolving from mucronate to subrounded during growth. Ventral interarea wider, apsacline. Sulcus starting as a furrow from the umbo, becoming larger and deeper towards the anterior commissure.

Costate: a median costa occurs in the sulcus, starting 6.5 mm from the umbo. Flanks covered by simple, subrounded costae with narrow interspaces, extending from the umbo, becoming lower and indistinct laterally. Four costae per 5.0 mm, 5.0 mm from the umbo. The two sulcus-bounding costae are only slightly wider than the other ones. Strong and irregular concentric ornamentation given by imbricated lamellae.

Remarks.—The specimen is tentatively assigned to *Fusella* as it shows a median sulcal costa and lacks disproportionately larger sulcus-bounding costae. It differs from *F. fusiformis* (re-figured by Waterhouse 1970: fig. 1a–f), which is ornamented by numerous weak costae, and from *F. rhomboidea* (Brunton and Rissoné 1976: pl. 11: 6–7; Brunton 1984: figs. 120–127), which lacks a median sulcal costa. The specimen has some similarities with *Spirifer triangularis* Sowerby, 1827, from the Visean of England and Belgium, assigned to *Fusella* by Muir-Wood (1951). However, *F. triangularis* is characterised by having a strongly transverse ventribiconvex shell with an elevated and narrow dorsal fold, extending anteriorly. The specimen is left under open nomenclature on the basis of its poor preservation.

Superfamily Brachythridoidea Fredericks, 1924

Family Brachythrididae Fredericks, 1924

Genus *Latibrachythiris* Angiolini, Long, and Davies, 2011

Type species: *Spirifer pinguis* Sowerby, 1821a, from the Tournaisian–Visean of Ireland and England.

Remarks.—*Latibrachythiris* is distinguishable from *Skelidorygma* Carter, 1974, of the Skelidorygmidae Carter, 1994, as it lacks a primary median rib in the sulcus and has a denticulate interarea. *Spirifer crassus* (De Koninck, 1843), from the Visean of Ireland, has wide, straight cardinal margin and an ornamentation of 50–70 low, flat ribs, unequal in width and irregularly bifurcating, with no sulcal median rib, as visible from the figures by Davidson (1858: pl. 6: 20–22). It is thus assigned to *Latibrachythiris*. *Brachythiris hortonensi* Carter, 1988, from the Mississippian of USA, was assigned to *Latibrachythiris* by Bahrammanesh et al. (2011), but as the species is characterised by a sulcal median rib, it is better included in *Skelidorygma*. *Spirifer integrigcostus* Phillips, 1836, was considered as a *Skelidorygma* species by Brunton (1984) and Brunton and Tilsley (1991). However, the figured specimens of *S. integrigcostus* from the Visean of Yorkshire (Davidson 1859: pl. 9: 18; Brunton 1984: fig. 129) and the upper Visean of County Fermanagh, Ireland (Brunton 1984: fig. 128) show a wide cardinal margin, wider than two-thirds maximum width, and no sulcal median rib. Legrand-Blain (1986) noted that *S. integrigcostus* has a weakly denticulate interarea, so it can be assigned to *Latibrachythiris*.

Latibrachythiris cf. *crassa* (De Koninck, 1843)

Figs. 14T–V, 16A.

Material.—Six ventral valves: MPUM12038 (RCC1-21); MPUM12039 (RCC1-34a); MPUM12040 (RCC54-10a); MPUM12041 (RCC54-17a); MPUM12042 (RCC1-15a; RCC48-7). Five fragments: MPUM12087 (RCC1-8b, 17b; RCC8-3b; RCC39-7; RCK15-38). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Medium-sized shell with transversely subrectangular outline; cardinal margin straight, almost as wide as the maximum width. Cardinal angles obtuse; cardinal extremities subangular. Anterior commissure uniplicate. Ventral valve strongly convex. Ventral interarea low, apsacline, weakly denticulate. Sulcus starting as a furrow from umbo, becoming wider and broadly rounded anteriorly.

Ornamentation consists of low costae, almost flat, with narrow interspaces. At a variable distance from the umbo, commonly less than 10.0 mm, costae start to irregularly bifurcate giving rise to a distinctive pattern of ribs of variable width. Lateral ribs number four per 5.0 mm width at 2.2 mm from the umbo, six to seven at 30.0 mm. Sulcus ornamented by four ribs at 10.0 mm from the umbo, 16 ribs at 30.0 mm

from the umbo. Micro-ornamentation of faint regularly concentric growth lines; sporadic lamellae.

Specimens with a length of approximately 25.0 mm have a less convex profile, with flatter lateral slopes, with respect to larger adult shells, which have steep, rounded lateral slopes resulting in a strongly convex shell with the maximum width at shell mid-length.

Remarks.—The specimens are similar to *Latibrachythyris crassa* for their convex valves with steep lateral slopes, moderate sulcus and fold and ornamentation. They differ from *L. pinguis* and *L. rotundatus* (Sowerby, 1825) in having a finer radial ornamentation of bifurcating ribs.

Latibrachythyris rotundata (Sowerby, 1825)

Fig. 16B–D.

1825 *Spirifer rotundatus*; Sowerby 1825: 89, pl. 461: 1.

1859 *Spirifera pinguis* Sowerby, 1821a; Davidson 1859: 50 (pars), pl. 10: 2, 4.

1859 *Spirifera pinguis* Sowerby, 1821a var. *rotundata* Sowerby, 1825; Davidson 1859: 50, pl. 10: 8–12.

2011 *Latibrachythyris rotundatus* (Sowerby, 1825); Angiolini et al. 2011: 79, figs. 5, 6N–O. (cum syn.)

Material.—Two articulated specimens: MPUM12043 (RCK 15-1a); MPUM12044 (RCK15-5). Six ventral valves: MPUM12045 (RCK15-40); MPUM12046 (RCC1B-26c; RCC43-6; RCC45-2; RCC48-24; RCC 129-1). One dorsal valve: MPUM12047 (RCC65G-12). One fragment: MPUM12048 (RCC60-50). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Small, ventribiconvex shell with suboval outline; cardinal margin straight, wide, two-thirds of the maximum width. Commissure gently uniplicate. Ventral umbo curved; interarea apsacline, low. Delthyrium lacking deltidial plates. Distinct median sulcus starting as a furrow from umbo, becoming low and broadly rounded anteriorly. Dorsal umbo straight; interarea orthocline to gently anacline, very low. Fold starting at one-third shell length, low, rounded.

Ventral valve covered by 12–14 simple, broad, rounded lateral costae extending from the umbo, with narrow interspaces. One faint pair of costae in the sulcus bifurcating from sulcus-bounding costae at 4.0–6.0 mm from the umbo; sulcal median costa absent. Dorsal valve covered by 10–12 simple lateral costae extending from the umbo. Fold smooth. Micro-ornamentation of faint irregular growth lamellae.

Remarks.—The specimens differ from the ones of *Latibrachythyris rotundata* studied by Angiolini et al. (2011) in being smaller and in being strongly ventribiconvex. However, both the morphology and the ornamentation of the specimens are in the variability shown by *L. rotundata*, so they probably are juvenile specimens of the species. The specimens are not considered as juveniles of *L. cf. crassa*, as they lack the pattern of numerous ribs of different width that is described in the specimens from Ricklow Quarry assigned to it.

The specimens differ from *L. pinguis* in having a less

convex and enrolled ventral valve, a less defined sulcus and in being more transverse. Moreover, in *L. pinguis* the cardinal margin is relatively wider and the interarea is more trapezoidal (Angiolini et al. 2011).

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Latibrachythyris rotundata* is recorded in the upper Tournaisian–Visean of Ireland and England and in the Tournaisian–Visean of Belgium (e.g., Davidson 1859; Angiolini et al. 2011; this study).

Brachythryididae gen. et sp. indet.

Fig. 16E, F.

Material.—Two ventral valves: MPUM12049 (RCC11-8); MPUM12050 (RCC73-23i). Two dorsal valves: MPUM 12051 (RCC41-18a); MPUM12052 (RCC42-5a). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Remarks.—Specimen MPUM12049 is a medium-sized suboval ventral valve with a wide cardinal margin, shallow sulcus and ornamentation of eight broad simple flat lateral costae with narrow interspaces, reaching a width up to 4.0 mm anteriorly, and two faint costae in the sulcus. The specimen is thus very close to *L. rotundata*, although it lacks the median furrow in the umbonal region; in fact, the sulcus seems to occur only anteriorly.

Specimen MPUM12052 is a fragment of a suboval flat dorsal valve with five to six simple, broadly rounded lateral costae extending from the umbo and a smooth low fold. The cardinal margin is not fully preserved, but it is inferred to be narrow, suggesting a possible assignment to *Brachythyris ovalis* (Phillips, 1836), a species that shows a gently convex dorsal valve and a smooth fold.

Suborder Delthyridina Ivanova, 1972

Superfamily Reticularioidea Waagen, 1883

Family Reticulariidae Waagen, 1883

Subfamily Reticulariinae Waagen, 1883

Genus *Reticularia* M'Coy, 1844

Type species: ?*Terebratula imbricata* Sowerby, 1822, from the upper Visean of Yorkshire, England.

Remarks.—George (1932) emended the original description of *Reticularia* to include lamellose spiriferides bearing dental plates and a ventral septum, with ornamentation of uniramous spines. However, he included in the genus the species *Reticularia alexandri* George, 1932, which lacks a ventral septum. This led Minato (1953) to erect *Georgethyris* based on *R. alexandri*, characterised by the absence of a ventral septum and divergent dental plates. Minato (1953) also emended the description for *Reticularia* defining it as characterised by a ventral median septum and parallel dental plates. This left without generic assignment most species assigned to *Reticularia* by George (1932), characterised by a ventral median septum and divergent dental plates: *R. acutiloba* George, 1932, *R. lobata* Muir-Wood, 1926, *R. mesoloba*

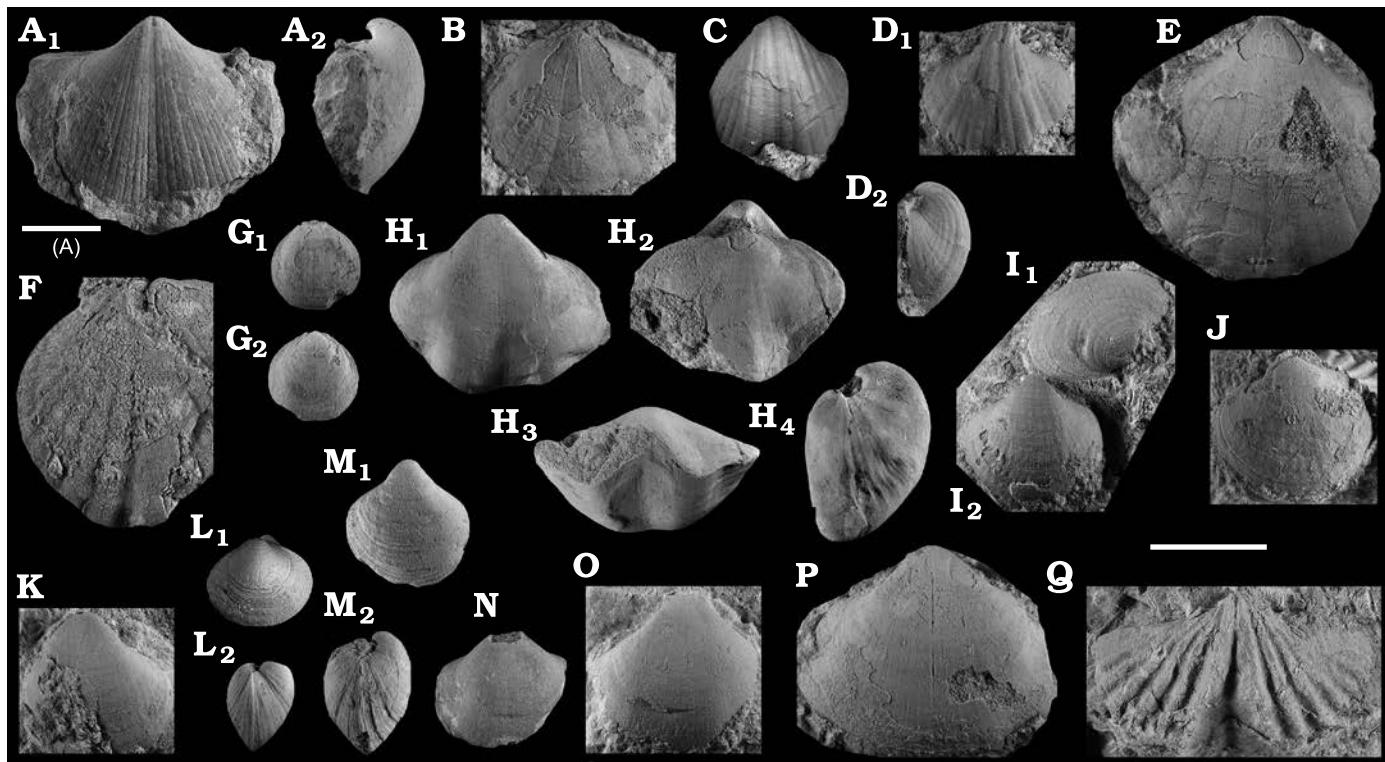


Fig. 16. Spiriferida and Spiriferinida from the Brigantian (uppermost Visean) of Ricklow Quarry, near Monyash (localities RCC-, RCK-; Fig. 3) and Wensley Dale, near Matlock (locality WI1; Fig. 2), Derbyshire, UK. **A**. *Latibrachythyris* cf. *crassa* (De Koninck, 1843), MPUM12040 (RCC54-10a) ventral valve in ventral (**A**₁) and lateral (**A**₂) views. **B–D**. *Latibrachythyris rotundata* (Sowerby, 1825). **B**. MPUM12047 (RCC65G-12) dorsal valve in dorsal view. **C**. MPUM12043 (RCK15-1a) in ventral view. **D**. MPUM12045 (RCK15-40) ventral valve in ventral (**D**₁) and lateral (**D**₂) views. **E, F**. Brachthyrididae gen. et sp. indet. **E**. MPUM12049 (RCC11-8) ventral valve in ventral view. **F**. MPUM12052 (RCC42-5a) dorsal valve in dorsal view. **G**. *Reticularia* cf. *mesoloba* (Phillips, 1836), MPUM12053 (RCK15-43) in ventral (**G**₁) and dorsal (**G**₂) views. **H**. *Georgethyris lobata* (Muir-Wood, 1926), MPUM12086 (WI1-9) in ventral (**H**₁), dorsal (**H**₂), anterior (**H**₃) and lateral (**H**₄) views. **I–K**. *Phricodothyris paricosta* George, 1932. **I**. MPUM12058 (RCK15-34a) dorsal valve (**I**₁) and MPUM12055 (RCK15-34b) ventral valve (**I**₂). **J**. MPUM12057 (RCK15-9) dorsal valve in dorsal view. **K**. MPUM12054 (RCC40-10a) ventral valve in ventral view. **L–N**. *Phricodothyris* cf. *periculosa* George, 1932. **L**. MPUM12061 (RCK15-3) in dorsal (**L**₁) and lateral (**L**₂) views. **M**. MPUM12060 (RCC73-30a) in ventral (**M**₁) and lateral (**M**₂) views. **N**. MPUM12064 (RCC2-37) ventral valve in ventral view. **O**. *Phricodothyris* sp., MPUM12071 (RCC60-4a) ventral valve in ventral view. **P**. *Nebenothyris* sp., MPUM12073 (WI1-26a) ventral valve in ventral view. **Q**. ?*Punctospirifer* sp., MPUM12074 (RCC73-23c) ventral valve in ventral view. Scale bars 10 mm.

(Phillips, 1836), *R. bellmanensis* George, 1932, *R. obtusa* (Sowerby, 1820), *R. profecta* George, 1932. These species should all be included in *Georgethyris* if the divergent dental plates are considered to be a diagnostic character for the genus, regardless of the presence or absence of a septum. This was the view adopted by Brunton and Tilsley (1991) and Brunton and Mundy (1997: 229). The same species should be referred to *Reticularia* according to the view of Carter and Gourvennec (2006), who agreed with George (1932) in considering *Reticularia* as characterised by dental plates, regardless of their orientation, and a ventral median septum, whereas *Georgethyris* was defined as having “ventral interior seemingly lacking median ridge; otherwise similar to *Reticularia*” (Carter and Gourvennec 2006: 1848).

It is the authors’ opinion that species close in their morphology to *Reticularia imbricata* (*R. bellmanensis*, *R. mesoloba*, and *R. profecta*) should be referred to *Reticularia*, emended to include gently uniplicate shells with parallel to divergent dental plates and ventral median septum, while species closer to *Georgethyris alexandri* (*R. acutiloba*, *R.*

lobata, and *R. obtusa*) should be referred to *Georgethyris*, emended to include transverse, strongly uniplicate to parasulate shells with divergent dental plates and a variably developed to absent ventral median septum.

Reticularia cf. *mesoloba* (Phillips, 1836)

Fig. 16G.

Material.—One articulated specimen: MPUM12053 (RCK15-43). One fragment: MPUM11946 (RCC60-41). Both from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Small, ventribiconvex shell with suboval outline; cardinal margin straight, maximum width attained at shell mid-length. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Rounded ventral sulcus developing from shell mid-length. Dorsal umbo straight; interarea orthocline. Both valves covered by subimbricated lamellae, numbering 40 in 5.0 mm length posteriorly, to 25 in 5.0 mm anteriorly. Dental plates divergent.

Remarks.—The specimens are close to *Reticularia mesoloba*, from the Mississippian of Bolland, Yorkshire, England (George 1932), based on its morphology, the presence of dental plates and dense lamellose ornamentation. George (1932) described the species as reaching 30.0 mm in length and with feeble fold-sulcus anteriorly; the specimens may then represent juveniles.

Genus *Georgethyris* Minato, 1953

Type species: *Reticularia alexandri* George, 1932, from the Brigantian, uppermost Visean, of Settle, Yorkshire, England.

Georgethyris lobata (Muir-Wood, 1926)

Fig. 16H.

1926 *Reticularia lobata*; Muir-Wood 1926: 242, pl. 16: 1a–c, 2.

1932 *Reticularia lobata* Muir-Wood, 1926; George 1932: 560.

1991 *Georgethyris lobata* (Muir-Wood, 1926); Brunton and Tilsley 1991: 293.

Material.—One articulated specimen: MPUM12086 (WI1-9) from Wensley Dale, Matlock, Derbyshire, UK, Eyam Limestone Formation, upper Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Small, ventribiconvex shell with transversely sub-exagonal outline; cardinal margin straight, corresponding to half shell width; maximum width at shell mid-length. Anterior commissure paraplicate. Ventral umbo enrolled; interarea apsacline. Subangular sulcus starting 7.0 mm from the umbo, widening and deepening anteriorly, prolonged anteriorly as a subangular tongue; two rounded, low folds bordering the sulcus. Dorsal interarea apsacline, very low. Rounded dorsal fold starting 7.0 mm from the beak. Both valves covered by subimbricated lamellae, numbering 12 per 5.0 mm length. Dorsal adminicula and septum absent.

Remarks.—The specimen is assigned to *Georgethyris lobata* based on its paraplicate commissure, which distinguishes it from *G. alexandri* and *G. obtusa*, and the lower, broader fold with respect to *G. acutiloba* (George 1932: pl. 34: 2a–d). Moreover, *G. acutiloba* shows a more transverse outline. The specimen is smaller than the specimens of *G. lobata* recorded by Muir-Wood (1926) and George (1932).

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Georgethyris lobata* is recorded in the Chadian–Brigantian (Visean) of England (e.g., Mitchell 1971; Brunton and Tilsley 1991; this study).

Family Elythidae Fredericks, 1924

Subfamily Phricodothyridinae Carter, 1939

Genus *Phricodothyris* George, 1932

Type species: *Phricodothyris lucerna* George, 1932, from the Visean of Lowick, Northumberland, England.

Remarks.—The genus was erected by George (1932) and emended by Minato (1953) to include lamellose spiriferides with biramous spines showing no ventral adminicula nor median septa, whose absence allows to distinguish it from all other Mississippian Elythidae. Moreover, *Phricodothyris* differs from *Nebenothyris* Minato, 1953, from the Mississippian of Western Europe and Japan, in having a fainter, but denser concentric ornamentation.

Carter and Gourvennec (2006) described *Phricodothyris* as having no fold-sulcus: however, this is not always true, as *Phricodothyris periculosa* George, 1932, shows a shallow ventral sulcus.

Phricodothyris paricosta George, 1932

Fig. 16I–K.

1932 *Phricodothyris paricosta*; George 1932: 548, pl. 35: 4a–d.

Material.—Three ventral valves: MPUM12054 (RCC40-10a); MPUM12055 (RCK15-34b); MPUM12056 (RCC54-6). Three dorsal valves: MPUM12057 (RCK15-9); MPUM12058 (RCK15-34a); MPUM12059 (RCC2-6a). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Small, ventribiconvex shell with transversely suboval outline. Cardinal margin straight; maximum width attained at shell mid-length. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Ventral umbo straight to gently curved, interarea low, apsacline.

Ornamentation consists of regularly spaced (1.2–1.6 mm) subimbricated lamellae, each one bearing a single row of prominent, elongated spine bases. Spine bases on adjacent lamellae are aligned so that a ribbing-like pattern is developed. Spine bases number 6–8 per 5.0 mm width, 10.0 mm from umbo.

Ventral adminicula absent.

Remarks.—The specimens are included in *Phricodothyris paricosta*, from the Brigantian (uppermost Visean) of Northumberland, based on their rectimarginate commissure and ornamentation of widely spaced lamellae bearing coarse spine bases.

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Phricodothyris paricosta* is recorded in the Visean of Great Britain and Ireland (George 1932; Mitchell 1971).

Phricodothyris cf. *periculosa* George, 1932

Fig. 16L–N.

Material.—Six articulated specimens: MPUM12060 (RCC 73-30a); MPUM12061 (RCK15-3); MPUM12062 (RCC60-10, 56); MPUM12063 (WI1-8, 18). Four ventral valves: MPUM12064 (RCC2-37); MPUM12067 (RCC1-53a, 53b; RCC54-14). One fragment: MPUM12068 (RCC38A-1). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian (RCC-, RCK-), and Wensley Dale, Matlock, Derbyshire, UK, Eyam Limestone Formation, upper Brigantian, upper Visean (WI1).

Description.—Small, ventribiconvex to equally biconvex shell with suboval outline; cardinal margin straight; maximum width attained at shell mid-length. Anterior commissure rectimarginate to slightly uniplicate. Ventral interarea

low, apsacline. Shallow sulcus develops at 10.0 mm from the umbo. Entire surface of both valves covered by lamellae, 10–12 per 5.0 mm length. Adminicula and median septa absent. Spiralia laterally directed.

Remarks.—The specimens are compared to *Phricodothyris periculosa* George, 1932, from the upper Visean–lower Serpukhovian of Yorkshire, England, which is characterised by shallow sulcus and an ornamentation of closely spaced lamellae bearing numerous fine spine bases. The specimens differ from *P. paricosta* from the same localities by the presence of a ventral sulcus developed from shell mid-length and by their denser lamellose ornamentation.

Phricodothyris sp.

Fig. 16O.

Material.—Three articulated specimens: MPUM12069 (RCC54-17b; RCC128-4c; RCK15B-4). Five ventral valves: MPUM12070 (RCC3-1); MPUM12071 (RCC60-4a); MPUM 12072 (RCC1-49; RCC49-35; RCK15-70). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Remarks.—The specimens are rectimarginate abraded Elythidae lacking ventral adminicula. Because their original lamellose ornamentation is not preserved, they are assigned to an undetermined species of *Phricodothyris*.

Genus *Nebenothyris* Minato, 1953

Type species: *Nebenothyris lineatus* Minato, 1953, from the upper Visean of the Hagen area in north-western Rheinische Schiefergebirge, Germany.

Nebenothyris sp.

Fig. 16P.

Material.—One ventral valve: MPUM12073 (WI1-26a) from Wensley Dale, Matlock, Derbyshire, UK, Eyam Limestone Formation, upper Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Medium-sized, convex ventral valve with suboval outline; cardinal margin straight; maximum width attained at shell mid-length. Anterior commissure slightly uniplicate. Ventral umbo curved, interarea apsacline. Shell covered by subimbricated lamellae, spaced 1.0 mm in average. Ventral adminicula absent. Prominent ventral median septum, reaching two-thirds valve length.

Remarks.—The specimen is assigned to an undetermined species of *Nebenothyris* based on the long ventral median septum, ornamentation of broadly spaced lamellae and absence of ventral adminicula. It is close to *N. lineata* in its morphology, though limited information available on the taxon prevents its identification.

The specimen differs from *Nebenothyris rhachis* Brunton and Mundy, 1997, from the upper Visean of Yorkshire and Ireland, and *N. tripustulosa* (Demanet, 1938), from the upper Visean of Belgium, in having a more transverse outline;

moreover *N. rhachis* shows a weak ventral sulcus developing from the umbo (Brunton and Mundy 1997: figs. 1.7, 1.13).

Order Spiriferinida Ivanova, 1972

Suborder Spiriferinidina Ivanova, 1972

Superfamily Pennspiriferinoidea Dagys, 1972

Family Punctospiriferidae Waterhouse, 1975

Genus *Punctospirifer* North, 1920

Type species: *Punctospirifer scabricosta* North, 1920, from the Visean of England.

Remarks.—*Punctospirifer* differs from the allied genus *Spiriferellina* Fredericks, 1924, of the Spiriferellinidae Ivanova, 1972, in having a lower ventral interarea, an angular ventral sulcus without coarse sulcus-bounding costae and a capillate, rather than pustulose, micro-ornamentation. European Carboniferous species assigned to *Spiriferellina* (e.g., *S. insculpta* Phillips, 1836, *S. perplicata* North, 1920) because of their pustulose micro-ornamentation, are characterised by an angular sulcus with sulcus-bounding costae not exceeding the width of lateral costae.

?*Punctospirifer* sp.

Fig. 16Q.

Material.—One ventral valve: MPUM12074 (RCC73-23c) from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Medium-sized, transverse shell. Cardinal margin corresponding to the maximum width. Cardinal extremities mucronate. Anterior commissure uniplicate. Shell substance punctate. Deep angular sulcus starting from umbo, widening and deepening anteriorly; 8.0 mm wide at anterior commissure.

Sulcus smooth. Flanks covered by coarse, simple, angular costae with narrow, subrounded interspaces, extending from the umbo, becoming lower and indistinct laterally. Six to seven costae on each flank.

Remarks.—The specimen is tentatively assigned to *Punctospirifer* based on its deep subangular sulcus and the absence of coarse sulcus-bounding costae. However, as the micro-ornamentation is not preserved, it is not possible to confirm the assignment.

Order Terebratulida Waagen, 1883

Suborder Terebratulidina Waagen, 1883

Superfamily Cryptonelloidea Thomson, 1926

Family Cranaenidae Cloud, 1942

Subfamily Girtyellinae Stehli, 1965

Genus *Harttella* Bell, 1929

Type species: *Harttella parva* Bell, 1929, from the Lower Windsor Group, Nova Scotia, Canada (upper Visean; Brunton 1982).

Remarks.—The genus was established by Bell (1929) to

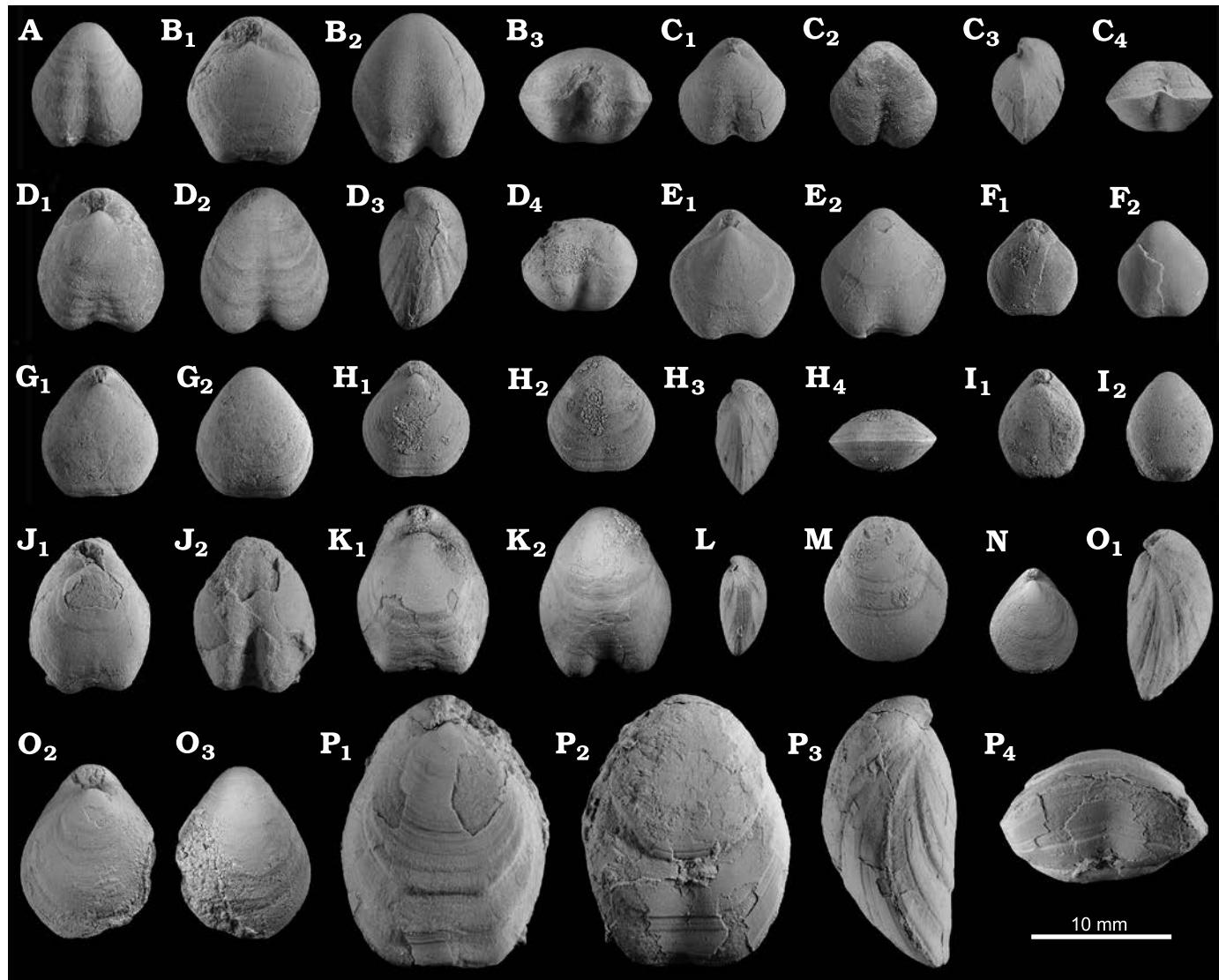


Fig. 17. Terebratulida from the Brigantian (uppermost Visean) of Ricklow Quarry, near Monyash, Derbyshire, UK (localities RCC-, RCK-; Fig. 3). **A–K.** *Harttella oakleyi* Brunton, 1982. **A.** MPUM12075 (RCC10-15b) in ventral view. **B.** MPUM12076 (RCC41-9) in dorsal (B₁), ventral (B₂), and anterior (B₃) views. **C.** MPUM12077 (RCC41-22) in dorsal (C₁), ventral (C₂), lateral (C₃), and anterior (C₄) views. **D.** MPUM12078 (RCC49-9) in dorsal (D₁), ventral (D₂), lateral (D₃), and anterior (D₄) views. **E.** MPUM12080 (RCC60-19b) in dorsal (E₁) and ventral (E₂) views. **F.** MPUM12079 (RCC49-12) in dorsal (F₁), and ventral (F₂) views. **G.** MPUM12081 (RCC65G-2) in dorsal (G₁) and ventral (G₂) views. **H.** MPUM12082 (RCC65G-8a) in dorsal (H₁), ventral (H₂), lateral (H₃), and anterior (H₄) views. **I.** MPUM12083 (RCC65G-11) in dorsal (I₁) and ventral (I₂) views. **J.** MPUM12084 (RCC65G-14) in dorsal (J₁) and ventral (J₂) views. **K.** MPUM12085 (RCK15-14) in dorsal (K₁) and ventral (K₂) views. **L–O.** ?*Balanococoncha* sp. **L.** MPUM12094 (RCC10-15a) in lateral view. **M.** MPUM12095 (RCC300-1) in ventral view. **N.** MPUM12097 (RCK15-26) in dorsal view. **O.** MPUM12096 (RCK15-18) in lateral (O₁), dorsal (O₂), and ventral (O₃) views. **P.** *Beecheria* sp., MPUM12092 (RCC49-31) in dorsal (P₁), ventral (P₂), lateral (P₃), and anterior (P₄) views.

include terebratulides from Nova Scotia (Canada) lacking dental plates and having a high Y-shaped septalium. The absence of dental plates distinguishes *Harttella* from *Girtyella* Weller, 1911.

Harttella oakleyi Brunton, 1982

Figs. 15D–E, 17A–K.

1824 *Terebratula saccula*; Sowerby 1824: 65 (pars), pl. 446: 1 top left. 1858 *Terebratula sacculus* Sowerby, 1824; Davidson 1858: 14 (pars), pl. 1: 27, 29, ?30; pl. 54: 5.

1982 *Harttella oakleyi*; Brunton 1982: 50, figs. 5–7.

Material.—Sixty-five articulated specimens: MPUM12075

(RCC10-15b); MPUM12076 (RCC41-9); MPUM12077 (RCC41-22); MPUM12078 (RCC49-9); MPUM12079 (RCC49-12); MPUM12080 (RCC60-19b); MPUM12081 (RCC65G-2); MPUM12082 (RCC65G-8a); MPUM12083 (RCC65G-11); MPUM12084 (RCC65G-14); MPUM12085 (RCK15-14); MPUM12088 (RCC1-8a; RCC8-12; RCC9-1; RCC10-7a, 15c, 33, 37; RCC11-9b; RCC12-20; RCC32-5b, 28d, 36; RCC32B-1; RCC38A-4; RCC41-18c, 18d, 19b, 20b; RCC42-2, 9, 24; RCC45-4a, 5; RCC48-14, 31; RCC49-20, 34; RCC60-43; RCC65G-1, 5, 10, 13, 21, 22, 23; RCC65T-6; RCC67-1, 3; RCC73-23d, 23e, 29b; RCC85-1c, 3; RCC110-3f; RCC123-3; RCC128-8, 22; RCC300-2; RCK15-6, 27, 39a;

RCK15A-1; RCK15B-2; RCK17-1). Twelve ventral valves: MPUM12089 (RCC1-19b, 38; RCC10-18a, 38a; RCC11-18; RCC41-20c; RCC42-27a; RCC49-33, 39; RCC128-6; RCC300-15; RCK15-20). Four dorsal valves: MPUM12090 (RCC10-7b, 29; RCC32-25; RCC41-21). One fragment: MPUM12091 (RCC12-10a). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Small, ventribiconvex shell with subpentagonal elongated outline; cardinal margin curved, maximum width at shell mid-length. Anterior commissure uniplicate to weakly lobate. Shell substance punctate. Ventral umbo strongly curved; palintrope anacline. Foramen permesothyrid. Shallow, broadly rounded sulcus starting at two-thirds shell length. Dorsal palintrope anacline. Dorsal sulcus absent to weakly developed near the commissure, rarely starting at shell mid-length.

Shell smooth, with regularly concentric growth lines. Sporadic lamellae developed.

Probable presence of a pedicle collar. Dental plates absent. Dorsal valve with convex hinge plates fusing medially to form a high Y-shaped septalium.

There is variability in the shape of the ventral sulcus: most specimens have a very broad rounded sulcus, whereas a few others show a narrower one, starting from shell mid-length. There is also large variability in convexity of both valves. Juvenile shells are almost as long as wide, with a distinct subpentagonal outline and rectimarginate commissure. When a length of 6.0–9.0 mm is attained, the ventral sulcus begins to develop.

Remarks.—The specimens are close both in their morphology and internal characters to the specimens of *Harttella oakleyi* figured by Brunton (1982). Brunton described the species as having a ventral sulcus starting posteriorly to shell mid-length and becoming narrow anteriorly, resulting in a sharply uniplicate commissure (Brunton 1982: 50). Most of the specimens from Ricklow Quarry commonly show a shallow sulcus starting anteriorly to shell mid-length, but there is a large morphological variability and some even show a narrow sulcus starting near umbo. The specimens are thus included in *H. oakleyi* and the species concept extended to include specimens with a shallow rounded ventral sulcus restricted anteriorly.

Externally, *H. oakleyi* resembles *Balanconcha saccula* (Sowerby, 1824). None of the specimens from Ricklow Quarry could be associated to *B. saccula*, which is usually larger and reaches its maximum width at two-thirds shell length, resulting in a subtriangular, rather than subpentagonal, outline.

According to Brunton and Tilsley (1991) the specimens named *Girtyella saccula* (= *Balanconcha saccula*) recorded by Gutteridge (1990) from the mound complex in Ricklow, are in fact *H. oakleyi* specimens. This is likely also the case for some of the specimens assigned by Mitchell (1971) to

Dielasma hastata (Sowerby, 1824), in his study of Visean faunas from the study area.

Stratigraphic and geographic range.—*Harttella oakleyi* is recorded from the Brigantian (uppermost Visean) of Derbyshire, England (Brunton 1982; this study).

Superfamily Dielasmatoidea Schuchert, 1913

Family Beecheriidae Smirnova, 2004

Genus *Beecheria* Hall and Clarke, 1893

Type species: *Beecheria davidsoni* Hall and Clarke, 1893, from the upper Visean Windsor Group of Nova Scotia, Canada.

Remarks.—The genus was established by Hall and Clarke (1893) and then emended by Stehli (1956) to include large terebratulides with dental plates and inner hinge plates converging on a platform separated from the dorsal valve floor by a septum. *Beecheria* was recorded for the first time in Europe by Brunton (1982, 1984), who assigned to it *Terebratula hastata* Sowerby, 1824, from the Arundian (lower Visean) of Great Britain and Ireland, and established the new species *Beecheria treakensis* Brunton, 1984, from British Asbian rocks, upper Visean.

Another British species of *Beecheria* may be *Terebratula gillingensis* Davidson, 1857, from the Brigantian (uppermost Visean) of West Gilling, North Yorkshire. From the figures given by Davidson (1858) it is possible to see diverging outer hinge plates and a median septum.

Beecheria sp.

Fig. 17P.

Material.—Three articulated specimens: MPUM12092 (RCC49-31); MPUM12093 (RCC41-14; RCK16-3) from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Medium-sized shell, ventribiconvex posteriorly, dorsibiconvex anteriorly. Subpentagonal outline; cardinal margin curved, maximum width at shell mid-length. Anterior commissure uniplicate. Ventral valve flat posteriorly, convex anteriorly. Umbo curved; palintrope anacline. Shallow, rounded sulcus starting at two-thirds shell length. Dorsal valve gently convex posteriorly, flat anteriorly. Umbo straight; palintrope anacline.

Shell smooth. Lamellae occasionally developed, with a spacing of 1.0–2.0 mm.

Dental plates diverging anteriorly forming an angle of 60°, 3.0 mm long. Dorsal valve with divergent outer hinge plates, 1.5 mm long, forming an angle of 90°.

Remarks.—The specimens are transitional in their morphology between the Asbian species *Beecheria treakensis* and the Brigantian *Beecheria gillingensis*. From the first species they differ in having a subpentagonal outline, an anteriorly flat dorsal valve and ventral sulcus, while from the latter they differ in having an elongated outline and a more convex, non-resupinate dorsal valve.

Family Gillediidae Campbell, 1965

Subfamily Gillediinae Campbell, 1965

Genus *Balanoconcha* Campbell, 1957

Type species: *Balanoconcha elliptica* Campbell, 1957, from the Watts District of New South Wales, Australia (middle–upper Visean).

Remarks.—The genus was recognised in Europe for the first time in England by Brunton (1982), who assigned to it *Terebratula saccula* from the Visean of Great Britain and Ireland on the basis of its internal characters.

?*Balanoconcha* sp.

Figs. 15C, 17L–O.

Material.—Fourteen articulated specimens: MPUM12094 (RCC10-15a); MPUM12095 (RCC300-1); MPUM12096 (RCK15-18); MPUM12097 (RCK15-26); MPUM12098 (RCC10-20; RCC39-2; RCC43-3, 4, 8b; RCC60-50b; RCC65G-3, 20; RCC66-2; RCC67-2). Two ventral valves: MPUM12099 (RCC10-10, 28). All from mud mound complex of Ricklow Quarry, Monyash, Derbyshire, UK, Monsal Dale Limestone Formation, Brigantian, upper Visean.

Description.—Small, elongated ventribiconvex shell with ovatotriangular outline; cardinal margin curved, maximum width at shell mid-length. Anterior commissure rectimarginate. Ventral umbo curved; palintrope anacline. Foramen permesothyrid. Dorsal palintrope anacline.

Shell smooth, with regularly concentric growth lines. Lamellae occasionally developed.

Dental plates and septalium absent. Crural bases diverging from umbo, extending to one-quarter shell length.

Remarks.—The specimens differ from *Harttella oakleyi* from the mound complex in Ricklow Quarry for their more elongated oval outline, less convex valves, and less recurved ventral umbo. Moreover, adult specimens completely lack a ventral or dorsal sulcus. The specimens are distinguishable from young specimens of *Beecheria* sp. from the same localities in having an elongate, suboval outline. They can be identified as species of *Balanoconcha* for their lack of both dental plates and septalium. However, no evidence of sessile hinge plates forming a V-shaped structure was found, so it is not possible to confirm the generic attribution.

Only one species assigned to *Balanoconcha* is known from the Visean of England: *Terebratula saccula*, assigned to *Girtyella* by Muir-Wood (1951) and later assigned to *Balanoconcha* by Brunton (1982, 1984) on the basis of its internal characters. The specimens here differ from *B. saccula* in being smaller, in lacking a ventral sulcus and in being less strongly biconvex.

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