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MOLECULAR PALEOBIOLOGY OF ARTHROPOD BODY PLANS



Arthropods (chelicerates, myriapods, crustaceans, and insects) are the most abundant and diverse animal group, with their success attributed to a segmented body plan with functionally specialized jointed appendages. I use both genomic and paleontological methods to study the evolution of their body plans through time. Here I will present two case studies: convergent evolution of the crab body plan in decapod crustaceans and its implications for predicting phenotype (“why things evolve into crabs”), and the early establishment of arthropods from soft-bodied ancestors in the Cambrian explosion.

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