

*BENTHAM AND HOOKER'S  
SYSTEM OF ANGIOSPERM  
CLASSIFICATION*

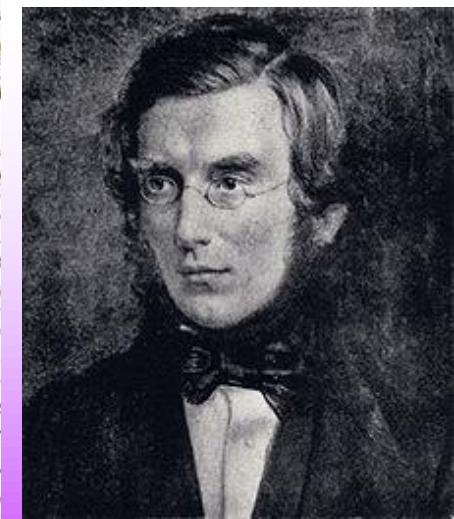
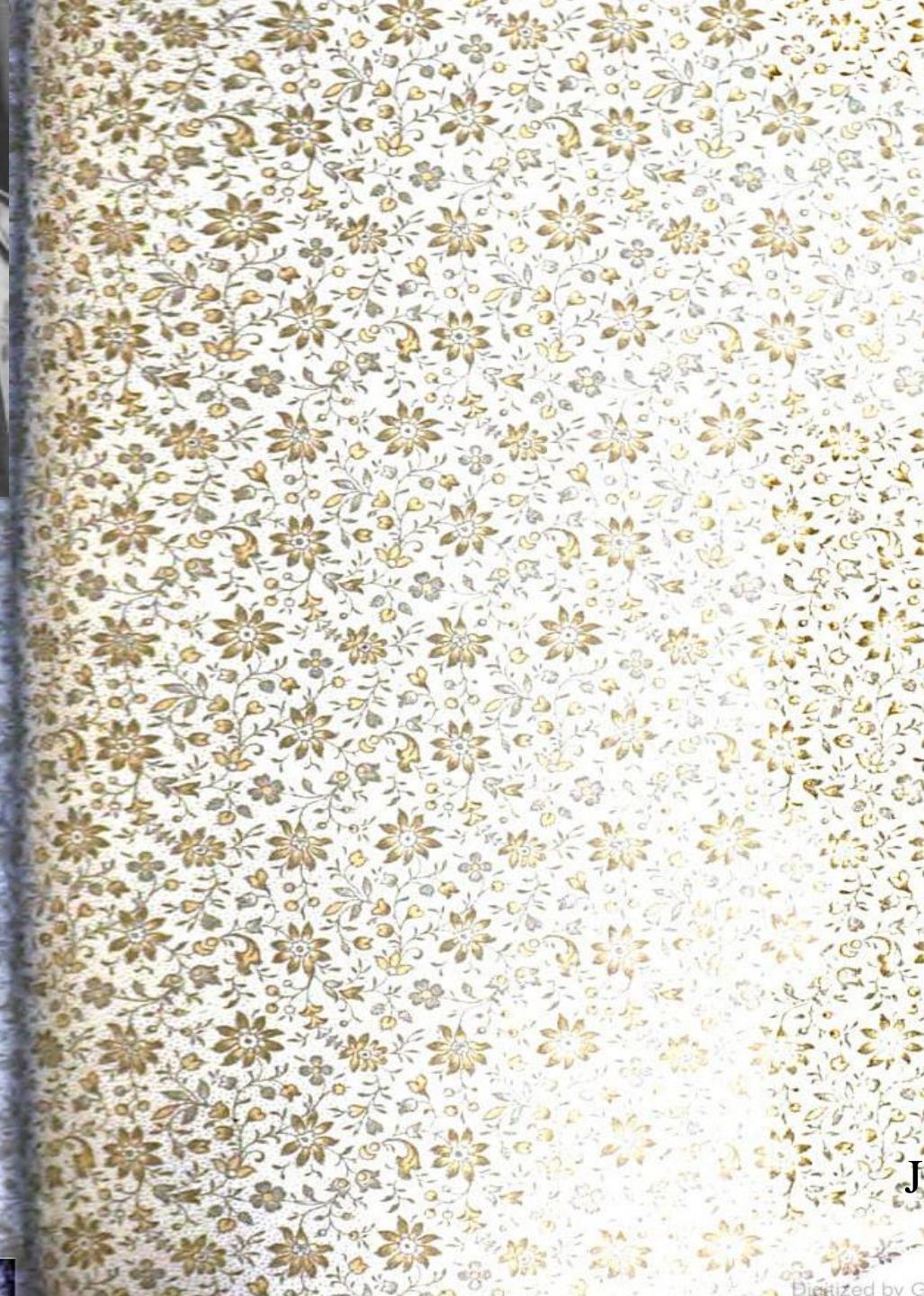
# INTRODUCTION

- Classification denotes the arrangement of a single plant or group of plants in a distinct category following a system of nomenclature, and in accordance with a particular and well established plan.
- Some of the earlier systems of classification of angiosperms were artificial systems, since they used only certain superficial characteristics as the basis.
- With more and more detailed study on the morphological, physiological and reproductive aspects of angiosperms, the artificial systems of classifications were replaced by the natural systems of classification.

- George Bentham and Joseph Dalton Hooker - Two English taxonomists who were closely associated with the Royal Botanical Garden at Kew, England have given a detailed classification of plant kingdom, particularly the angiosperms.
- They gave an outstanding system of classification of phanerogams in their Genera Plantarum which was published in three volumes between the years 1862 to 1883. It is a natural system of classification.
- They described 97,205 species of flowering plants grouped into 202 orders (now recognised as families).
- The system has the advantage of being the first great natural system of classification, which is very easy to follow.



George Bentham  
1800-1884



Joseph Dalton Hooker  
1817-1911

# PLANT KINGDOM



**CRYPTOGAMIA**  
(Non-flowering plants)

**PHANEROGAMIA**

## CLASSES

**DICOTYLEDONAE**

(Two cotyledons in the seed)

**GYMNOSPERMAE**

(Seed not enclosed in fruit)

**MONOCOTYLEDONAE**

(One Cotyledon in the Seed)

## SUB-CLASSES

**POLYPETALAE**

**GAMOPETALAE**

**MONOCHLAMYDAE**

### SERIES

- THALAMIFLORAE  
6 Orders  
34 Families
- DISCIFLORAE  
4 Orders  
22 Families
- CALYCIFLORAE  
5 Orders  
27 Families

### SERIES

- INFERAE  
3 Orders  
9 Families
- HETEROMERAE  
3 Orders  
12 Families
- BICARPELLATAE  
4 Orders  
23 Families

### SERIES

- CURVEMBRYAE  
6 Families
- MULTIOVULATE AQUATICAE  
1 Family
- MULTIOVULATE TERRESTRIS  
3 Families
- MICROEMBRYAE  
4 Families

### DAPHNIALES

- 5 Families
- ACHLAMYDO-  
SPORAE  
3 Families
- UNISEXUALES  
9 Families
- ORDINA  
ANAMOLI  
9 Families

### SERIES

- MICROSPERMAE  
3 Families
- EDIGYNÄE  
7 Families
- CORONARIAE  
8 Families
- CALYCINÄE  
5 Families
- NUDIFLORAE  
5 Families
- APOCARRAE  
3 Families
- GLUMACEAE  
5 Families

## **SUB-CLASS - POLYPETALAE**

*petals separate*



*Series*

### **THALAMIFLORAE**

Orders

Ranales

Parietales

Polygalineae

Caryophyllineae

Guttiferales

Malvales

### **DISCIFLORAE**

Orders

Geraniales

Olacales

Celastrales

Sapindales

### **CALYCIFLORAE**

Orders

Rosales

Myrales

Passiflorales

Ficoidales

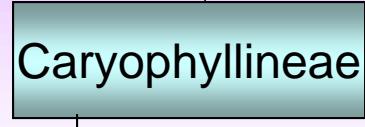
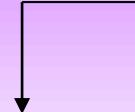
Umbellales



# THALAMIFLORAE

Many stamens in the androecium.  
Flower is hypogynous

*Orders*



*Families*

Ranunculaceae

Dilleniaceae

Calycanthaceae

Magnoliaceae

Annonaceae

Menispermaceae

Berberidaceae

Nymphaeaceae

*Families*

Sarraceniaceae

Papaveraceae

Cruciferae

Capparaceae

Resedaceae

Cistaceae

Violaceae

Canellaceae

Bixaceae.

*Families*

Pittosporaceae

Tremandraceae

Polygalaceae

*Families*

Frankeniaciae

Caryophyllaceae

Portulacaceae

Tamaricaceae

*Families*

Elatinaceae

Hypericaceae

Guttiferae

Theaceae

Dipterocarpaceae

Sarcolaenaceae

*Families*

Malvaceae

Sterculiaceae

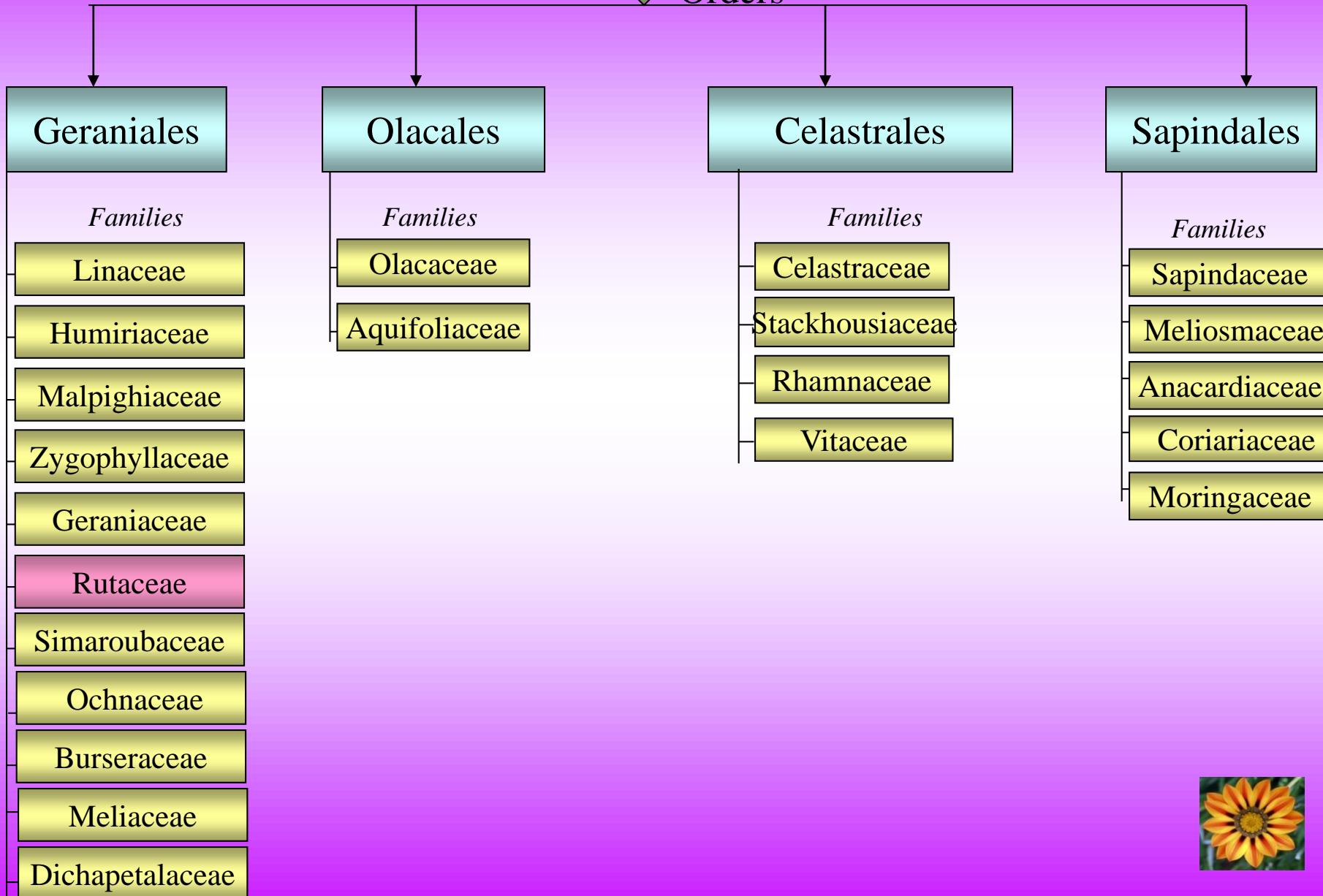
Tiliaceae



# DISCIFLORAE

Hypogynous flowers with a cushion-like disc around or below the ovary

Orders



# CALYCIFLORAE

Flowers epigynous or perigynous  
Thalamus is in the form of a cup



Orders

Rosales

*Families*

Connaraceae

Leguminosae

Rosaceae

Saxifragaceae

Crassulaceae

Droseraceae

Hamamelidaceae

Bruniaceae

Haloragaceae

Myrales

*Families*

Rhizophoraceae

Combretaceae

Myrtaceae

Melastomataceae

Lythraceae

Onagraceae

Passiflorales

*Families*

Loasaceae

Turneraceae

Passifloraceae

Cucurbitaceae

Begoniaceae

Datiscaceae

Ficoidales

*Families*

Cactaceae

Aizoaceae

Umbellales

*Families*

Umbelliferae

Araliaceae

Cornaceae



## **SUB-CLASS - GAMOPETALAE**

*petals fused*



*Series*

### **INFERAEE**

*Orders*

Rubiales

Asterales

Campanulales

### **HETEROMERAE**

*Orders*

Ericales

Primulales

Ebenales

### **BICARPELLATAE**

*Orders*

Gentianales

Polemoniales

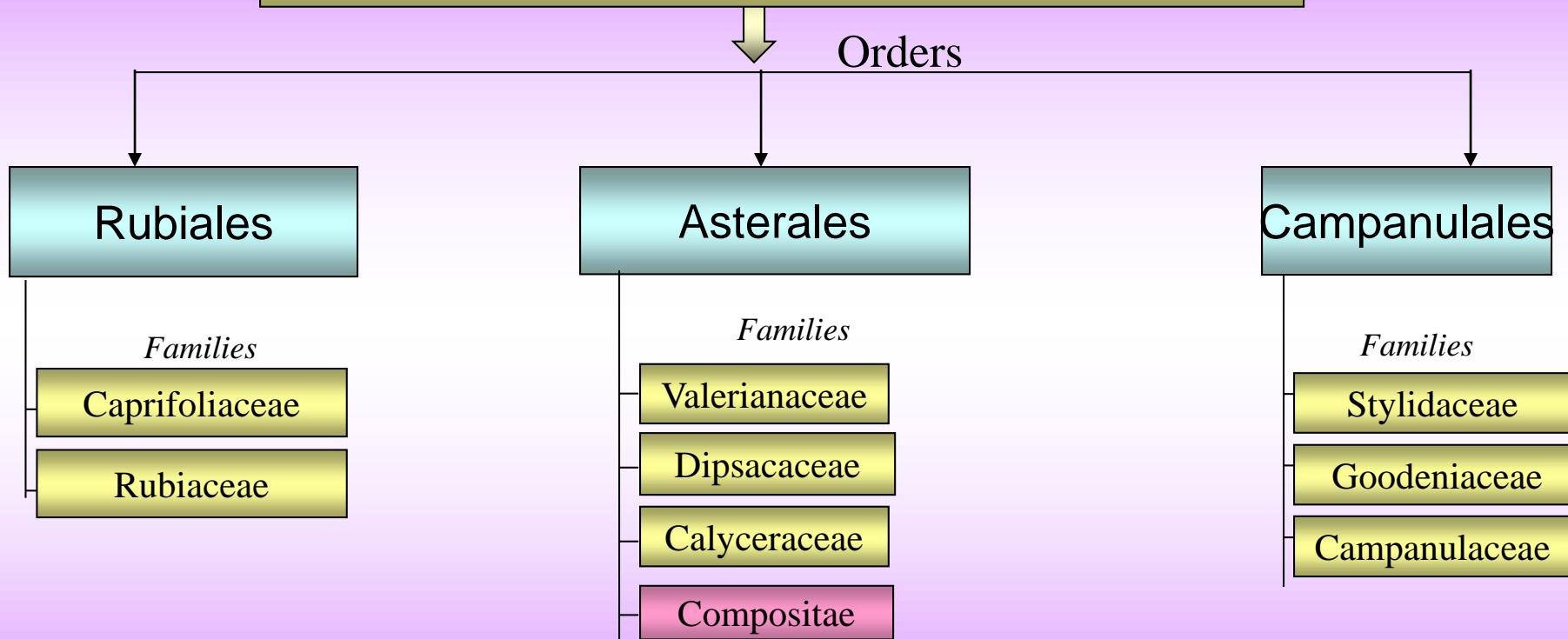
Personiales

Lamiales



# INFERAЕ

## Flowers with inferior ovary



# HETEROMERAE

Flowers with superior ovary  
Number of carpels - more than two



Orders

Ericales

*Families*

Ericaceae

Clethraceae

Epacridaceae

Diapensiaceae

Lynneceae

Primulales

*Families*

Plumbaginaceae

Primulaceae

Myrsinaceae

Ebenales

*Families*

Sapotaceae

Ebenaceae

Styracaceae

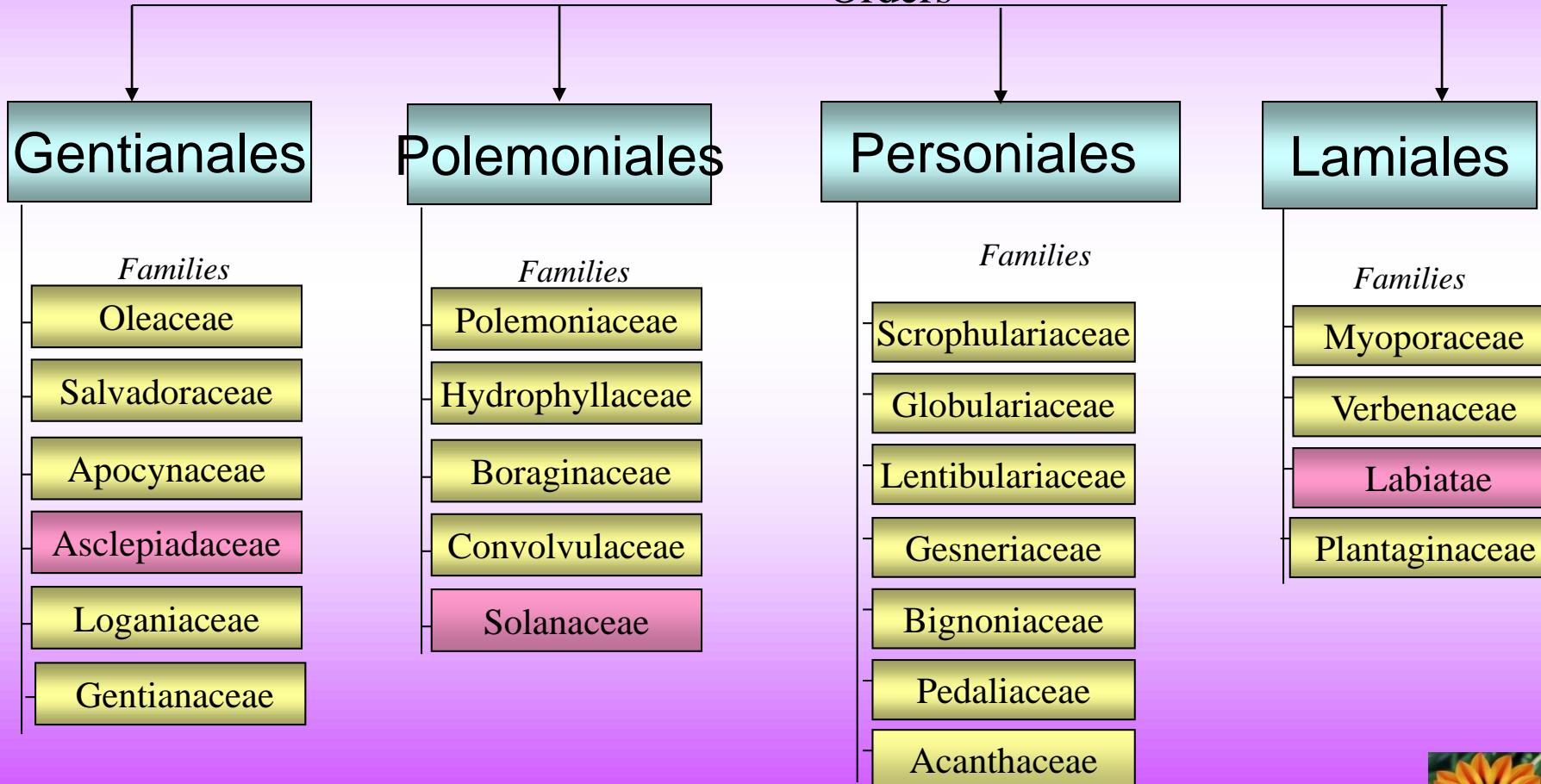


# BICARPELLATAE

Ovary superior, with 2 carpels



Orders



# **MONOCHLAMYDEAE**

## **only 1 kind of perianth**



*Series*



### **Curvembryae**

#### *Families*

Nyctaginaceae
Amaranthaceae
Chenopodiaceae
Batidaceae
Polygonaceae
Phytolaccaceae

### **Multiovulate Aquaticae**

#### *Families*

Podostemaceae
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### **Multiovulate Terrestris**

#### *Families*

Nepenthaceae
Cyinaceae
Myristicaceae

### **Microembryae**

#### *Families*

Piperaceae
Chloranthaceae
Myristicaceae
Monimiaceae

### **Daphnales**

#### *Families*

Lauraceae
Proteaceae
Thymelaeaceae
Penaeaceae
Elaeagnaceae

### **Achlamydo-sporae**

#### *Families*

Loranthaceae
Santalaceae
Balanophoraceae

### **Unisexuales**

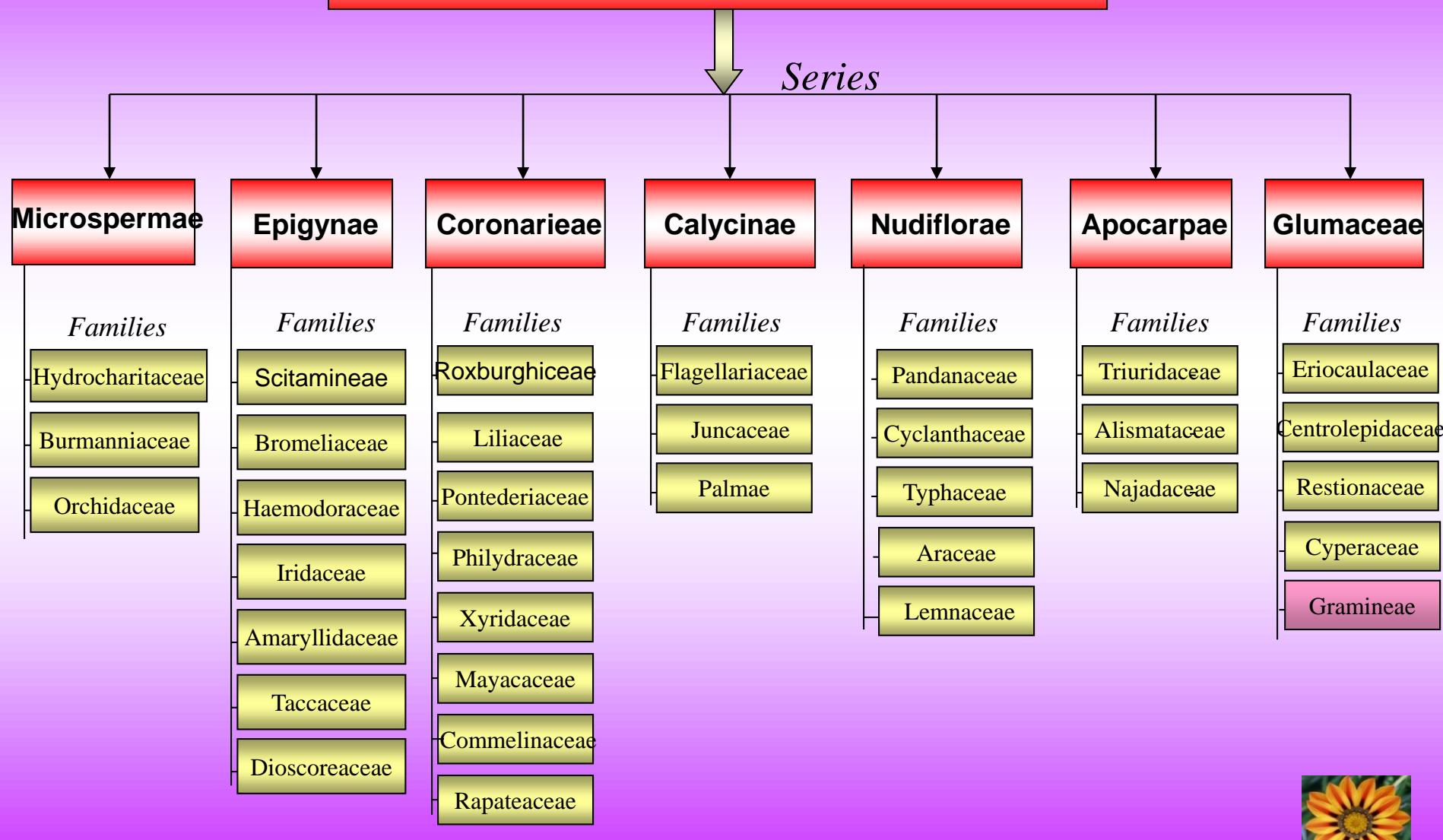
#### *Families*

Euphorbiaceae
Balanopaceae
Urticaceae
Platanacēae
Leitneriaceae
Juglandaceae
Myricaceae
Casuarinaceae
Betulaceae



# CLASS-MONOCOTYLEDONAE

## 1 cotyledon, flowers trimerous





*Delphinium amplibracteatum*



# RANUNCULACEAE



*Ranunculus laetus*



*Argemone mexicana*



# PAPAVERACEAE



David E. Lemke



*Citrus  
aurantifolia*



*Murraya koenigii*

## RUTACEAE

*Citrus limon*



*Murraya paniculata*



# **LEGUMINOSAE**



*Lathyrus odoratus*



*Pisum sativum*



# **ROSACEAE**



*Flowers of India*

# **UMBELLIFERAE**



*Coriandrum sativum* -



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# **COMPOSITAE**



# **ASCLEPIADACEAE**



*Calotropis*  
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*Asclepias quinquedentata*





*Solanum nigrum*

**SOLANACEAE**



*Nicotiana  
glauca*



# LAMIALES



*Euphorbia pulcherime*



## EUPHORBIACEAE



*Euphorbia hirta*





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*Triticum aestivum*



## GLUMACEAE



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*Oryza sativa*

# DRAWBACKS

- Gymnosperms were placed between Dicots and Monocots.
- Many important floral characters were neglected.
- It is not a phylogenetic scheme.
- Some of the closely related families have been separated and placed under different cohorts and a number of unrelated families put together.
- Some advanced families like *Orchidaceae* have been regarded as primitive by placing in the beginning.

A scenic landscape featuring a vast field of colorful flowers in the foreground, a calm lake, and a majestic range of snow-capped mountains under a dramatic sky.

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