

with the most readable paper in the volume, by Butler, devoted to explaining the growth of human tooth germs and the developmental sequence of cusps. He concludes that tooth growth is additive, not exponential as had been assumed earlier, even by himself in 1967. Tooth growth and calcification seem to be independent processes and growth between cusps continues until their calcified caps unite. One very interesting feature from a phylogenetic viewpoint is that in man the entoconid remains separate later than other lower tooth cusps do, so that talonid width increases by entoconid movement away from the other cusps until calcification ends growth. The captions of figures 3 and 4 of Butler's paper are in the correct sequence, but the drawings are unfortunately switched.

Three of the papers in the ontogeny section deal with dental histology and problems of induction, two of them describing ingenious experimental work. These three papers seem to me to come to somewhat contradictory conclusions, unless I was misled by differences in terminology. I would have preferred that their authors had combined their efforts into a single, integrated essay.

The section on phylogeny contains an instructive introduction to the phylogeny of calcified tissues by D. F. G. Poole, which points out many unsolved problems. A. Boyde shows wonderful scanning electron microscope pictures of mammalian enamel histology, but makes no sense of the peculiar distribution among mammalian orders of the features seen. P. Hershkovitz's paper, "Basic crown patterns and cusp homologies of mammalian teeth," is proclaimed in the anonymously authored introduction to the volume as a classic in its field; certainly I agree that all researchers concerned with dental cusp homologies will have to deal with it in future work. Hershkovitz goes well beyond Vandebroek and Quinet in finding it necessary to replace long-used names of dental features with unfamiliar new ones, and carries serial homology and supposed homology between upper and lower tooth cusps to their logical extremes, assuming certain premises. Readers will want to analyze for themselves whether zalambdodonty (in modern mammals) is primitive, as Hershkovitz would have it, or derived, whether metacones arise in the ways claimed, and whether Hershkovitz has actually demonstrated serial homology in each claimed case. The paper is totally lacking in functional interpretation, but an alphabetical list

of 338 generally unfamiliar dental element names is brought together and the terms are defined according to Hershkovitz's interpretations. W. D. Turnbull's contribution consists chiefly of figuring the Field Museum's Trinity (Albian Cretaceous) mammal teeth by means of stereophotos. He also proposes several new and (I think) unnecessary higher taxonomic categories and develops an argument that it is premature to "force the Trinity therians into the metatherian-eutherian dichotomy." A potboiler by W. A. Clemens on Mesozoic mammals and a review by E. L. Simons of Old World anthropoid specimens from the Oligocene and Miocene complete the phylogeny section.

The morphology section contains two papers that I found especially interesting: I. Kovacs on just about anything one would want to know about dental roots, and K. Hiiemae and A. W. Crompton on a cinefluorographic study of feeding in the American opossum. The other papers are primarily about small-scale evolutionary changes within the genus *Homo*.

The book is well illustrated and supplied with both an author and a subject index. Unfortunately, there are a number of typographical errors.

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Deformation

Microtectonics along the Western Edge of the Blue Ridge, Maryland and Virginia. ERNST CLOOS. Johns Hopkins Press, Baltimore, 1972. xiv, 234 pp., illus., + maps. \$12.50.

In one way or another the origin of deformed rocks is the subject matter of the long-standing field of structural geology, so it is perhaps remarkable that the state of strain of rocks is, with few exceptions, not well established. Though some workers have studied deformed fossils, the most straightforward way of determining strain has been to measure the orientation and shape of originally spherical or nearly spherical particles which were transformed into ellipsoids during deformation. Cloos did just this in his now-classic 1947 paper on the South Mountain fold between the Susquehanna and Potomac rivers, in which he described the deformation of originally nearly spherical

calcium carbonate sand grains (ooids) within limestone beds of this 10-to-20-kilometer-wide fold.

The present monograph is an elaborate sequel in which the study has been extended far south along the Blue Ridge to Lexington, Virginia, and has been expanded to include a number of other deformation features. The careful reader who has the patience for the difficult and exasperating style, which would only warm the heart of Gertrude Stein, will find numerous subtle and rewarding insights into the systematic regional deformation of this 15,000-square-kilometer region of the Appalachian fold belt as well as into the variety and complexity of the operative strain mechanisms. The 85 high-quality photographs of deformation features are worth studying.

It is unusual in present-day earth science that a paper retains considerable importance after a quarter of a century. The continued influence of Cloos's works is due in part to the unpopular nature of this type of research. An enormous amount of labor is required to make the quantitative measurements that lead to qualitative insights. Since Cloos's original publication only a handful of workers, mostly German, have pursued this course. So a quarter of a century later Cloos has produced another careful study of Blue Ridge deformation which is destined to become a classic if for no other reason than that it is not likely to be repeated in the near future in other regions: 42,-585 ellipsoid axial ratios were measured on samples in the lab and over 25,000 field measurements were made.

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Clean Metal Surfaces

Chemisorption and Reactions on Metallic Films. J. R. ANDERSON, Ed. Academic Press, New York, 1971. In two volumes. Vol. 1, xii, 556 pp., illus. \$32. Vol. 2, xii, 324 pp., illus. \$21.

Studies of clean metal surfaces principally involve use of evaporated films, sections cut from single crystals, or the single crystal points of emission microscopy. Typical total surface areas of the samples employed are 100 cm², 1 cm², and 10⁻¹⁰ cm² respectively. The use of evaporated metal films suffers from the