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OSTRACODA, GENUS PALAEOCYTHERIDEA MANDELSTAM, 1947 FROM THE MIDDLE AND UPPER JURRASSIC OF EUROPE

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Members of the ostracod genus *Palaeocytheridea*, common in the Boreal and Tethys regions in Europe, were used to distinguish a number of sequences that can be correlated, making this genus important for stratigraphy.

However the inaccuracy in the description of the hinge of *Palaeocytheridea*, made by M.I. Mandelstam when describing the type species *P. bakirovi* Mandelstam, 1947, and the replacement of the type species with *Eucythere denticulata* Sharapova, 1937 made later by P.S. Lubimova, led to a confusion in the understanding of the extent of the genus *Palaeocytheridea* and attributing to it some of the forms not only from other genera but also from other families.

We revised 93 forms of *palaeocytherideas* and 11 species were determined as valid, out of which one species is new. Based on shell outline, either elongated-subrectangular or elongated oval, it was established, that members of this genus can be clearly subdivided into two subgenera – *Palaeocytheridea* Tes., 2013 and *Malzevia* Tes., 2013 correspondigly. To the subgenus *Palaeocytheridea* we refer the following species: *P.* (*P.*) *bakirovi* Mand., 1947, *P.* (*P.*) *carinilia* (Sylv.-Bradl., 1948), *P.* (*P.*) *pavlovi* (Lyub., 1955), *P.* (*P.*) *kalandadzei* Tes., 2013; and to subgenus *Malzevia – P.* (*M.*) *parabakirovi* Malz, 1962, *P.* (*M.*) *rara* Permjakova, 1974, *P.* (*M.*) *priva* Perm., 1974, *P.* (*M.*) *subtilis* Perm., 1974, *P.* (*M.*) *laevis* Perm., 1974, *P.* (*M.*) *groissi* Schudack, 1997, *P.* (*M.*) *blaszykina* Franz, Tesakova, Beher, 2009.

Subgenus *Palaeocytheridea* is known in the geological history since the end of late Bajocian, while *Malzevia* is known from older strata – early Bajocian (Fig. 1). This allows the assumption that *palaeocytherideas* descend from *malzevias*. Another fact supporting this hypothesis is that all *Malzevia* ontogenetic stages had a carapace of solely elongated-oval outline. While in *palaeocytherideas* only early and middle moult stages had elongated-oval outline. As they grew the carapace became rounded-subrectangular in outline.

Based on the distribution of endemic and cosmopolitan forms of *palaeocytherideas* it was shown that Tethys and Boreal-Atlantic regions in Western and Eastern Europe were isolated during Bajocian and Bathonian, and the connection between these two parts of the European paleobasin is indicated starting from the middle of lower Callovian (Fig. 2). Ostracod zones based on stratigraphic distribution of species of genus *Palaeocytheridea* were suggested for the Middle Jurrasic in Western and Eastern Europe and Ukraine.

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Рис. 1. Phylogenetic scheme of members of subgenera *Palaeocytheridea* and *Malzevia*.

Рис. 2. Stratigraphic distribution of *palaeocytherideas* in the Middle-Upper Jurrasic in Europe

Stage
Substage
Standard ammonite zonation
Ammonite zonation of the Russian Platform
Palaeocytheridea (Malzevia)
Palaeocytheridea (Palaeocytheridea)
rara
priva
laevis
subtilis
blaszykina
parabakirovi
groissi
bakirovi
kalandadzei
carinilia
pavlovi
Tithonian
lower
Callovian
middle
lower
Bathonian
upper
middle
lower
Bajocian
upper
lower
coronatum
jason
calloviense
koenigi
herveyi
discus
orbis
hodsoni
morrisi
subcon-tractus
progracilis
tenuipli-catus
zigzag
parkinsoni
garantiana
niortense
humphrie-sianum
propinquaus
laeviuscula
discites
coronatum
jason
calloviense
gowerianus
elatmae
calyx
ishmae
besnosovi
michalskii
garantiana
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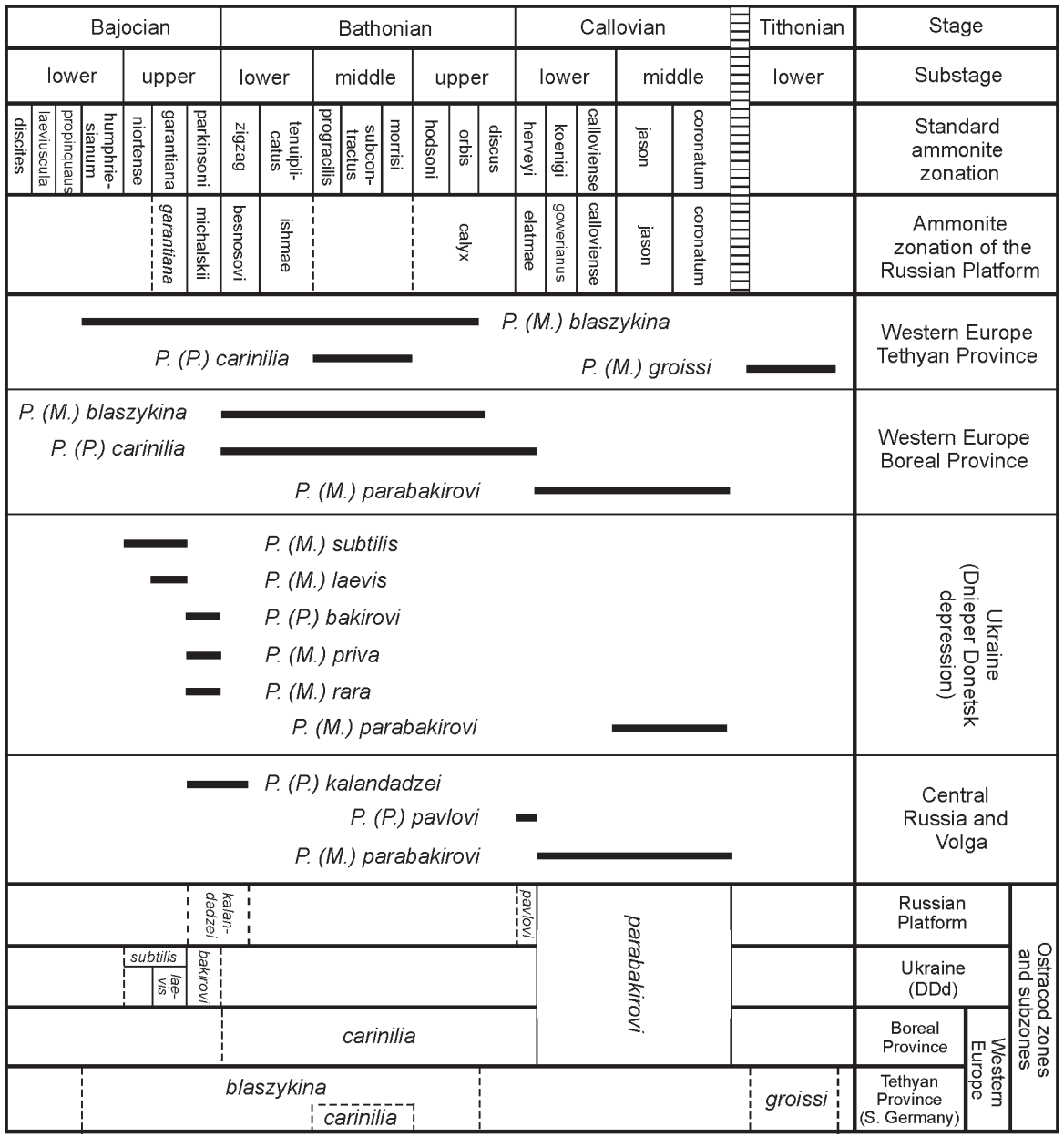
Bajocian
Bathonian
Callovian
Tithonian
Stage
lower
upper
lower
middle
upper
lower
middle
lower
Substage
discites
laeviuscula
propinquans
humphrie-sianum
niortense
garantiana
parkinsoni
zigzag
tenuipli-catus
progracilis
subcon-tractus
morrisi
hodsoni
orbis
discus
herveyi
koenigi
calloviense
jason
coronatum
Standard ammonite zonation
garantiana
michalskii
besnosovi
ishmae
calyx
elatmae
gowerianus
calloviense
jason
coronatum
Ammonite zonation of the Russian Platform
P. (M.) blaszykina
P. (P.) carinilia
P. (M.) groissi
Western Europe Tethyan Province
P. (M.) blaszykina
P. (P.) carinilia
P. (M.) parabakirovi
Western Europe Boreal Province
P. (M.) subtilis
P. (M.) laevis
P. (P.) bakirovi
P. (M.) priva
P. (M.) rara
P. (M.) parabakirovi
Ukraine (Dnieper Donetsk depression)
P. (P.) kalandadzei
P. (P.) pavlovi
P. (M.) parabakirovi
Central Russia and Volga
pavlovi
kalan-dadzei
parabakirovi
Russian Platform
subtilis
lae-vis
bakirovi
Ukraine (DDd)
carinilia
Boreal Province
Western Europe
blaszykina
carinilia
groissi
Tethyan Province (S. Germany)
Ostracod zones and subzones