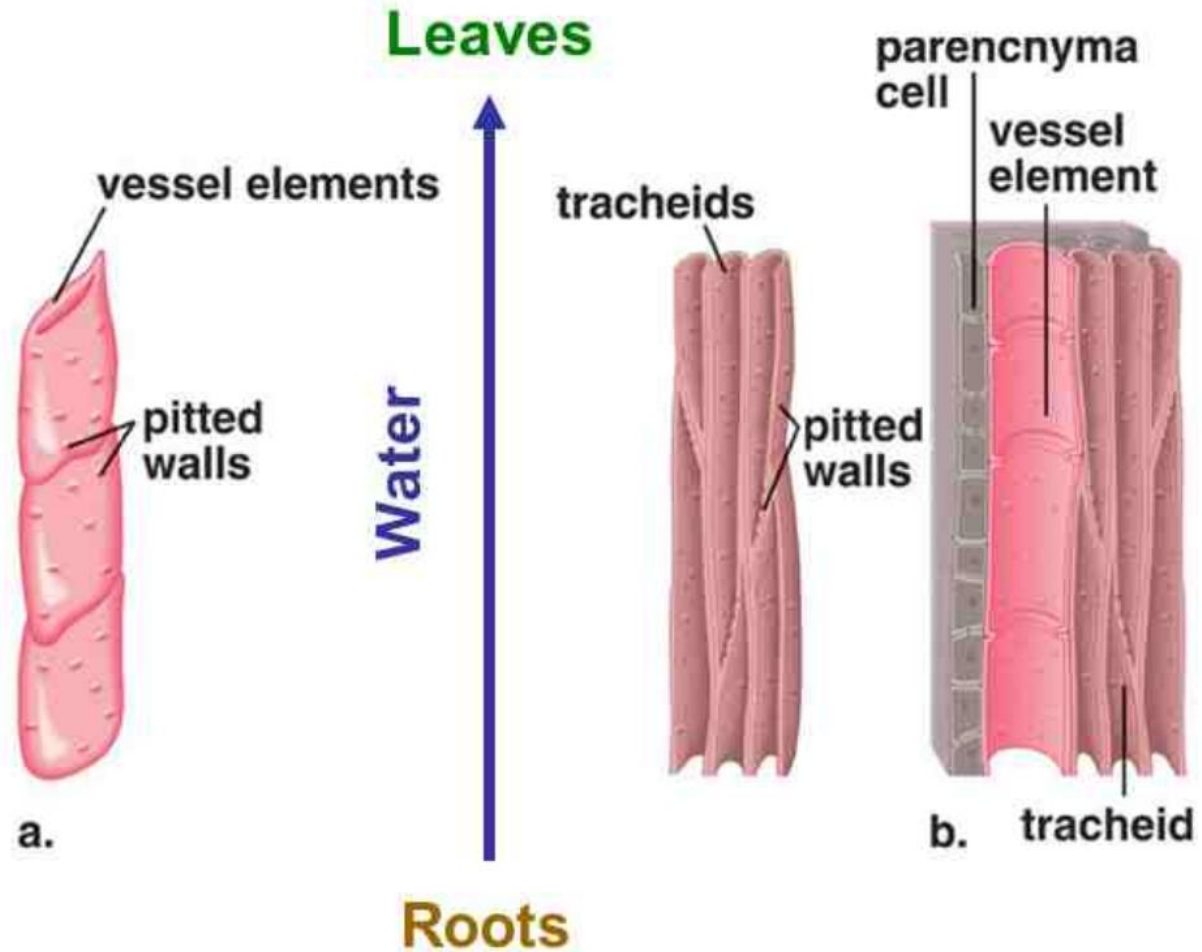


# **Vascular tissues**

**Xylem** transports water and minerals from roots to leaves  
Contains two types of conducting cells: **tracheids** and **vessel elements**.



## TRACHEIDS

longer; thinner;  
ends taper

in many nonflowering  
plants, the only cell type  
in xylem

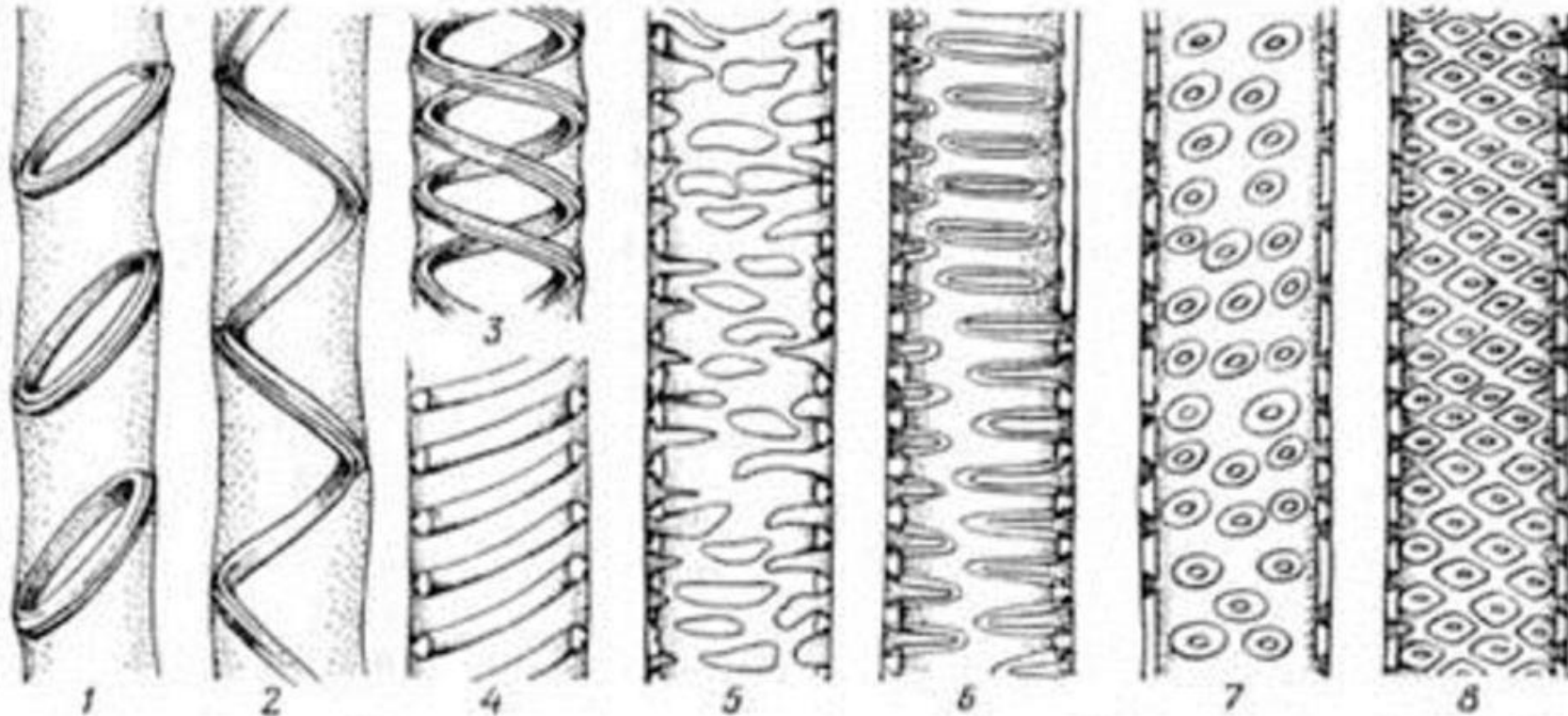


## VESSEL MEMBERS

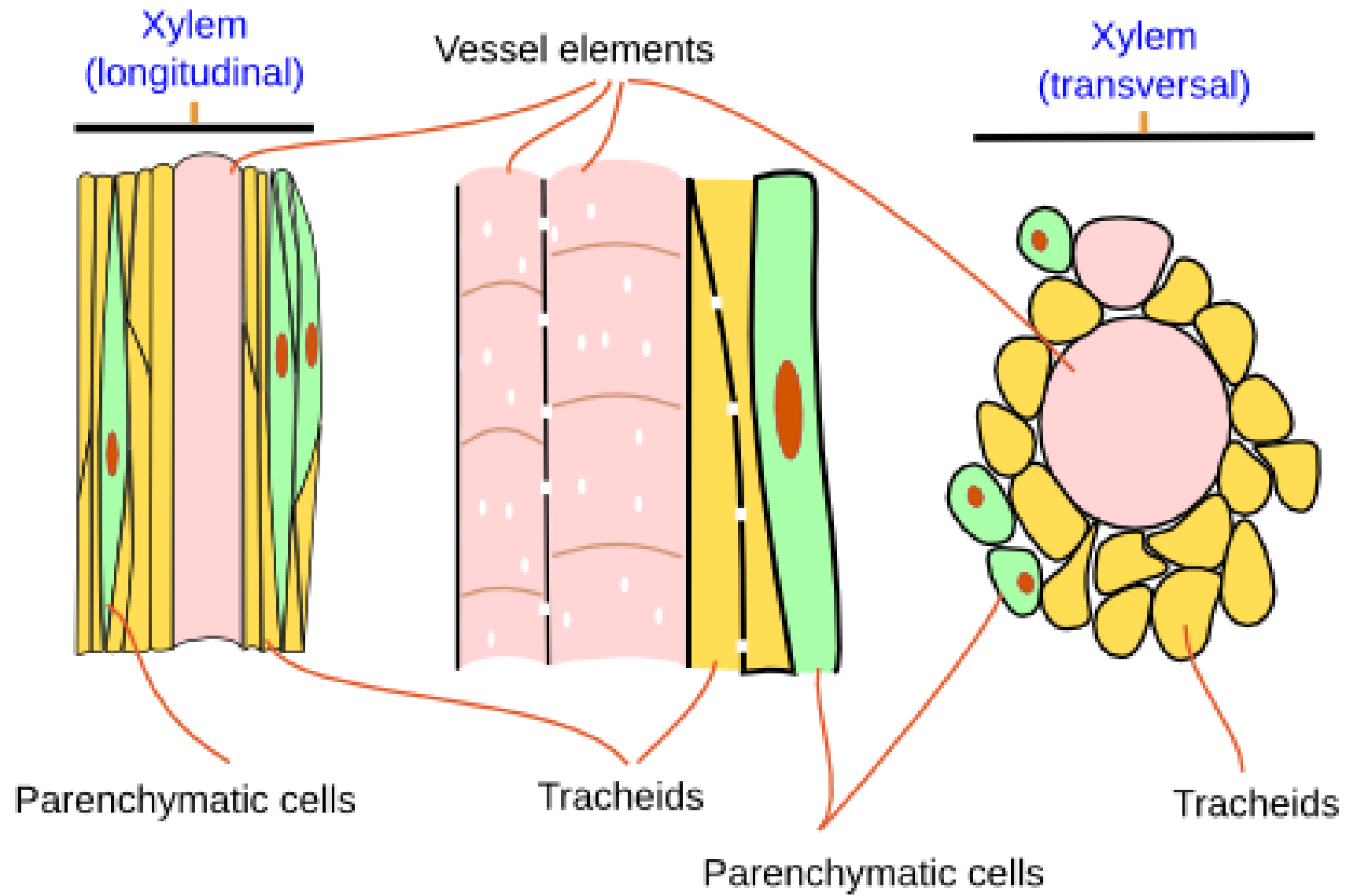
wider, cylindrical,  
joined at perforation  
plates

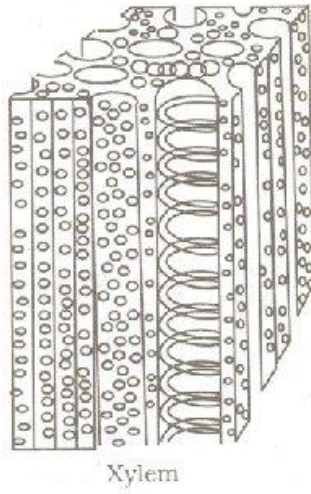


# Secondary Wall Thickenings



1 = annular thickening    2-4 = helical thickening    5 = reticulate thickening  
6 = scalariform pitted wall    7 = opposite pitted wall    8 = alternate pitted wall





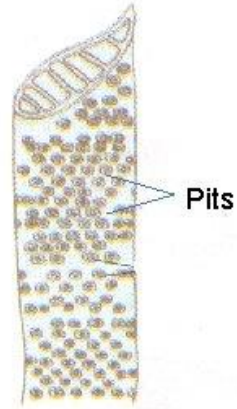
Xylem

Tracheid



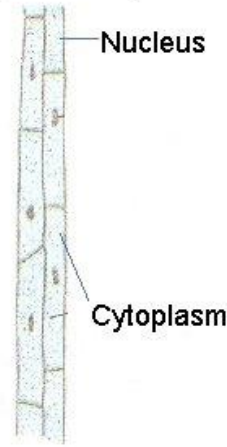
Tracheid

Vessel



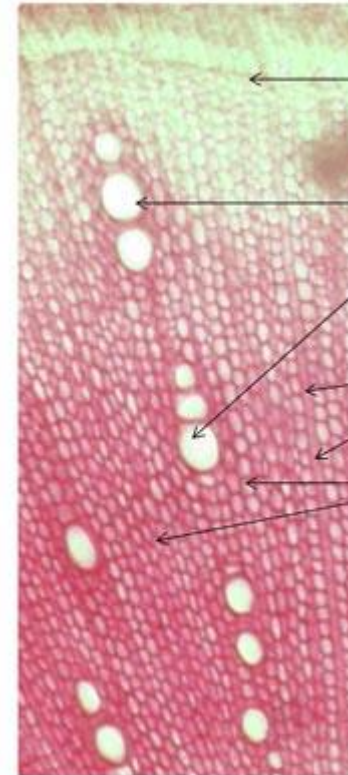
Vessel

Xylem parenchyma



Xylem parenchyma

Types of Xylem



Cambium

Vessels

Parenchyma (Ray)

Tracheids

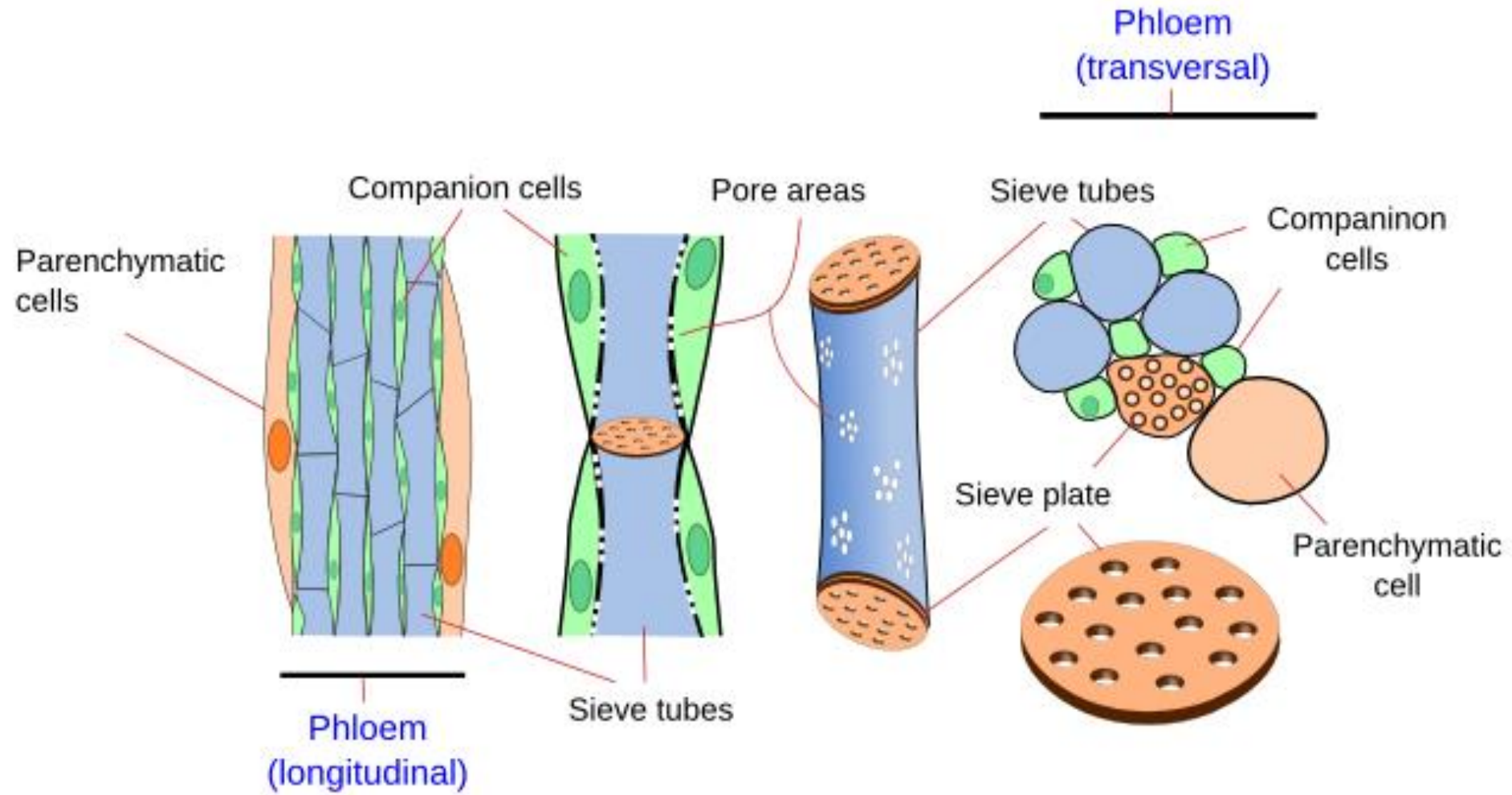
Components of Xylem

# Phloem.

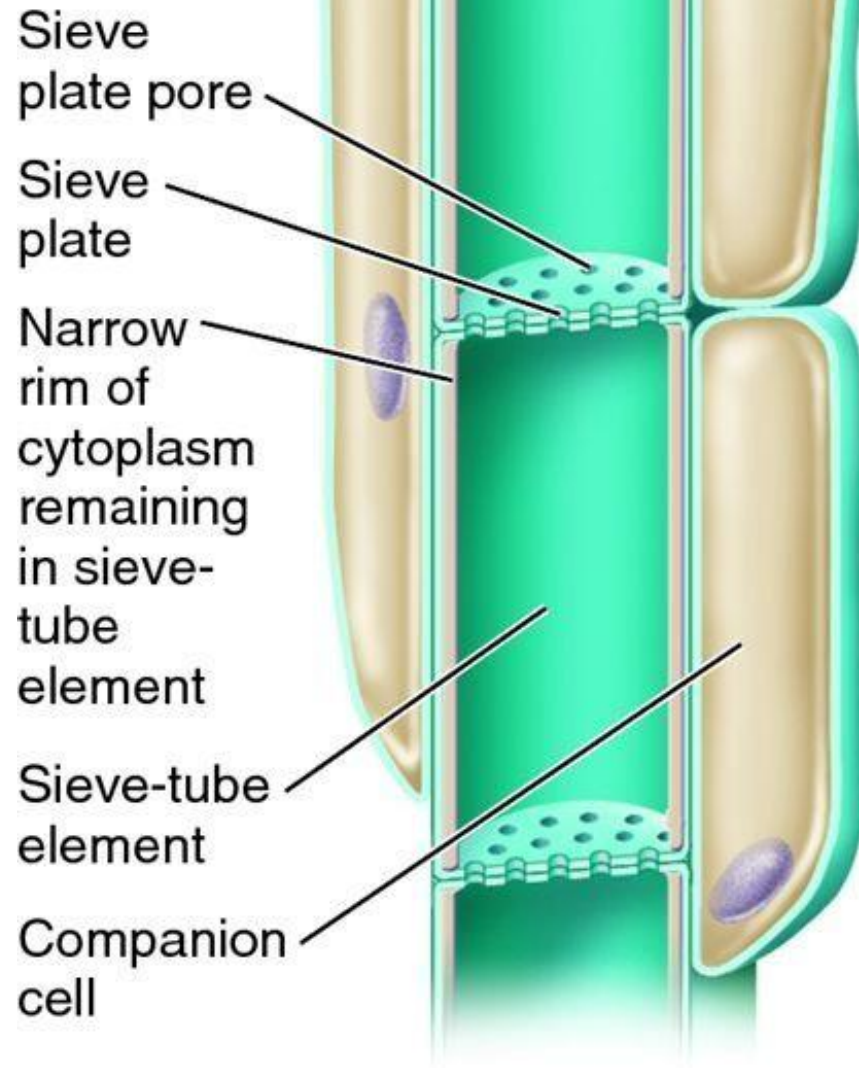
The phloem is similar to the xylem in that it also has tubular structures modified in accordance with their conducting function. However, these tubes are made up of living cells that have a cytoplasm; they do not carry a mechanical function.

There are five types of cells in the phloem: segments of the sieve tubes, companion cells, parenchymal cells, fibers and sclereids.

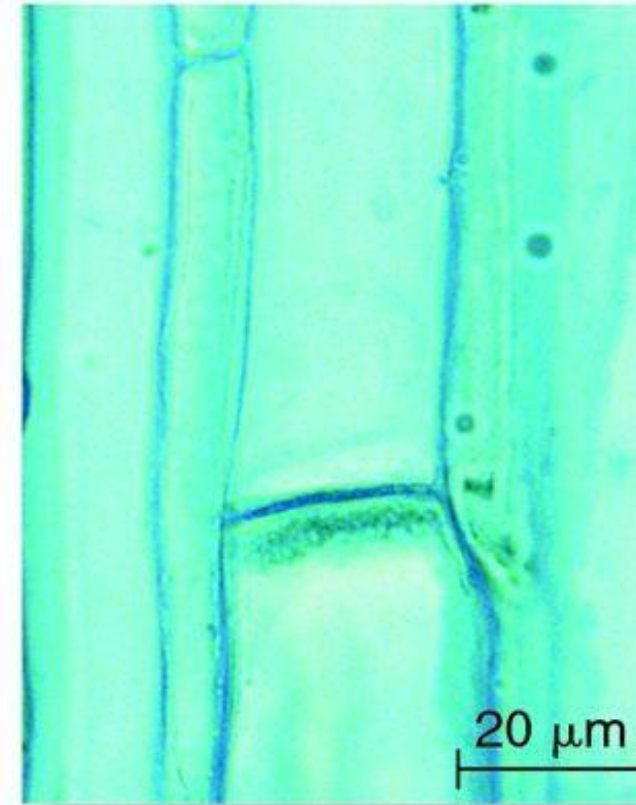




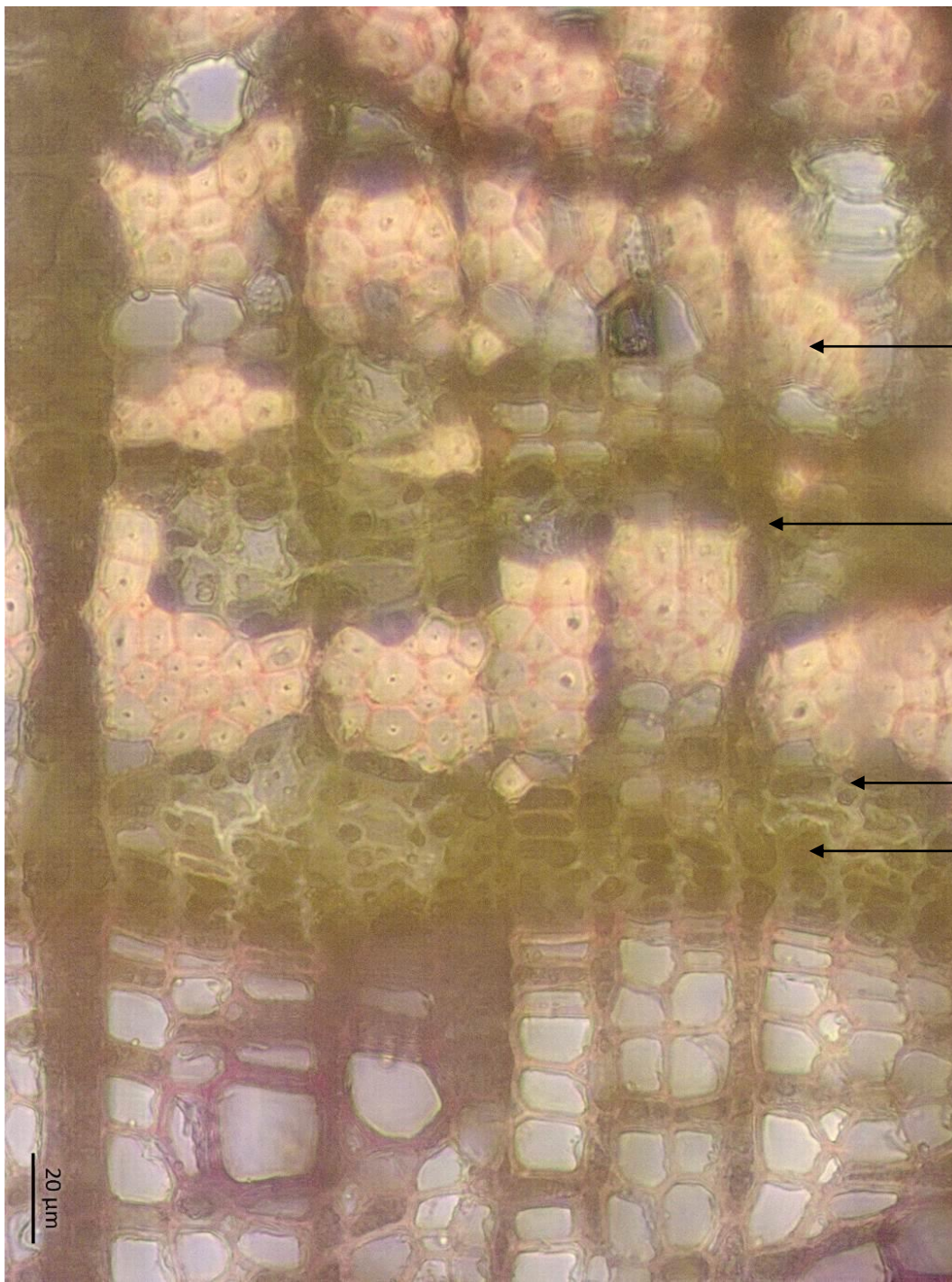




**(a) Sieve-tube elements and companion cells**



**(b) Light micrograph of phloem stained with blue dye, showing sieve-tube elements**



Bast fibers

Pith rays

Companion cell

Sieve tube

# VASCULAR BUNDLES



simple



compound

concentric

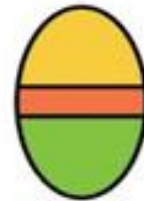


hadrocentric  
(amphicribal)

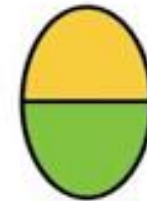


leptocentric  
(amphivasal)

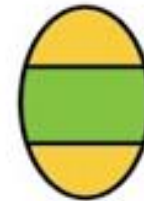
collateral



collateral  
open



collateral  
closed



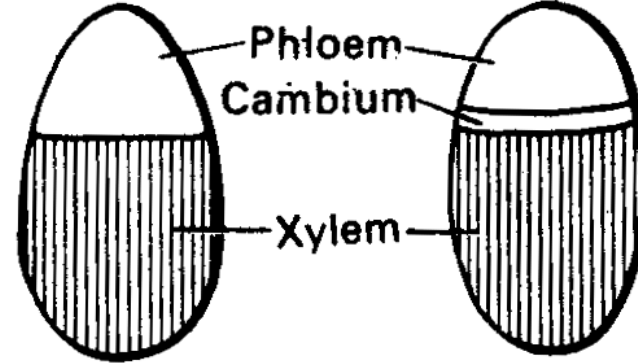
bicollateral

# CONJOINT

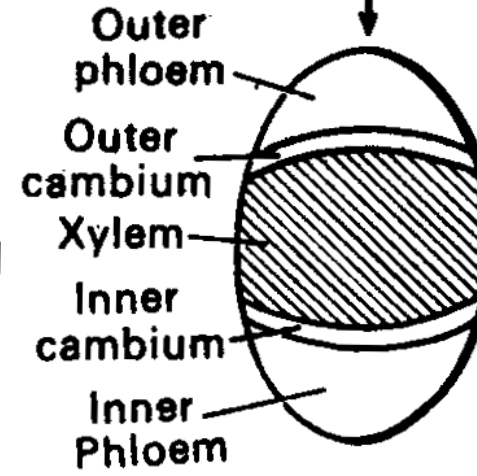
## COLLATERAL

Closed

Open



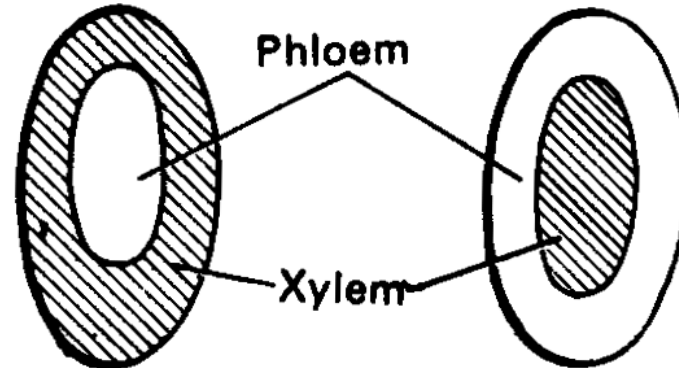
## BICOLLATERAL



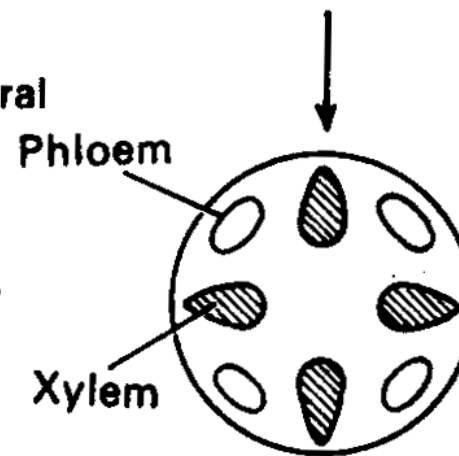
## CONCENTRIC

Amphivasal

Amphicribal

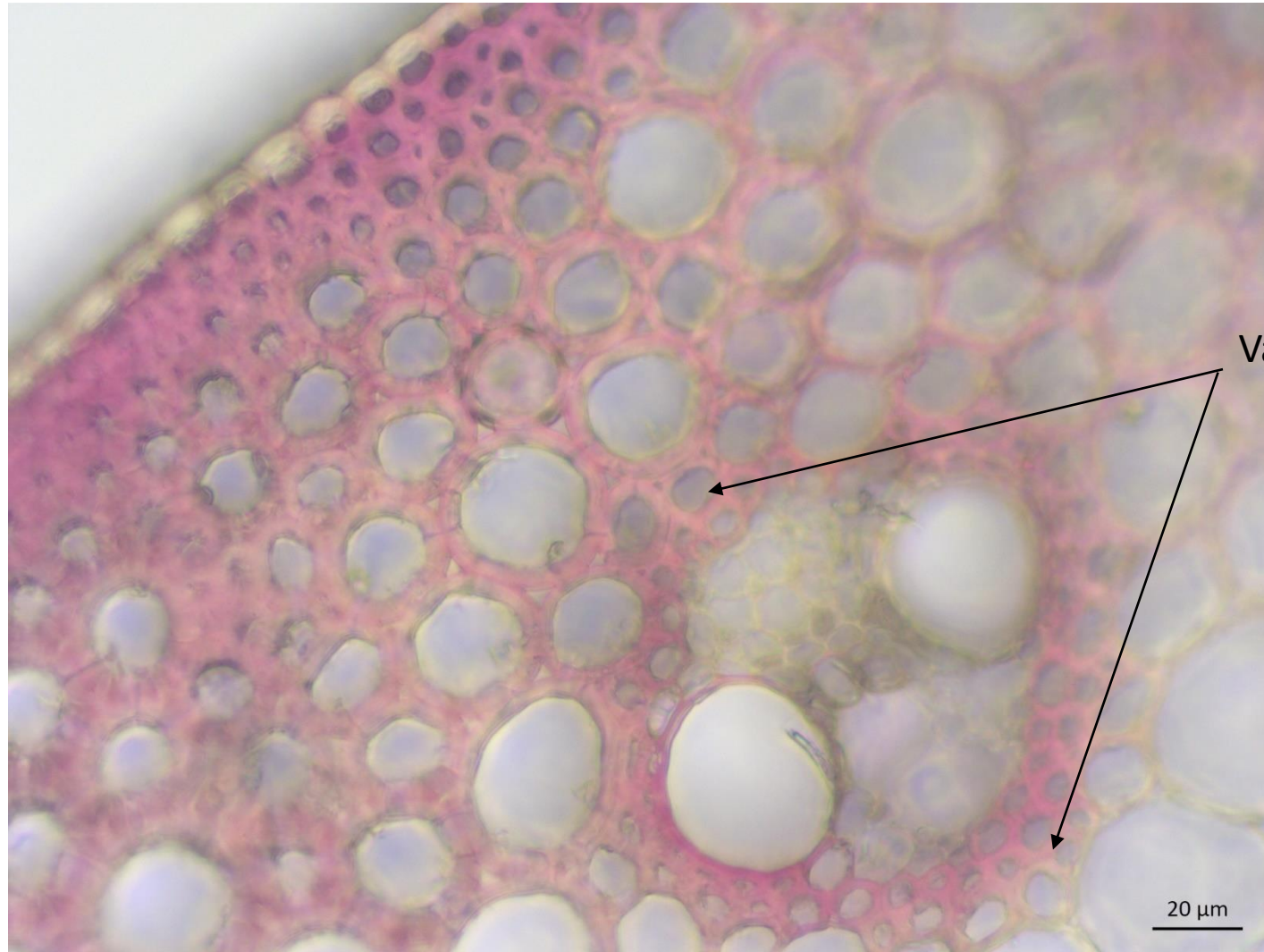


## RADIAL

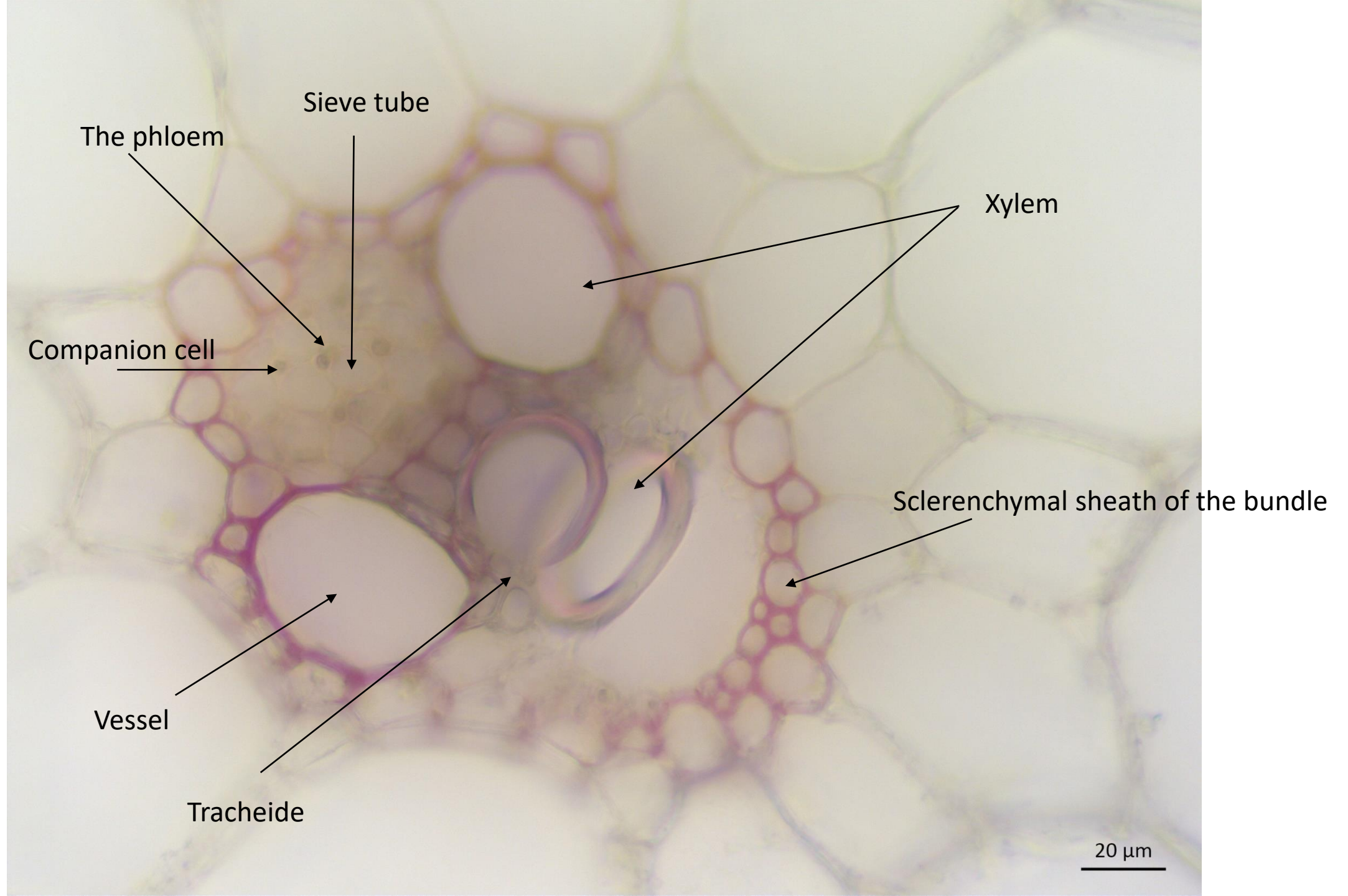




**Closed collateral bundle of corn stem (*Zea mays* L.).**

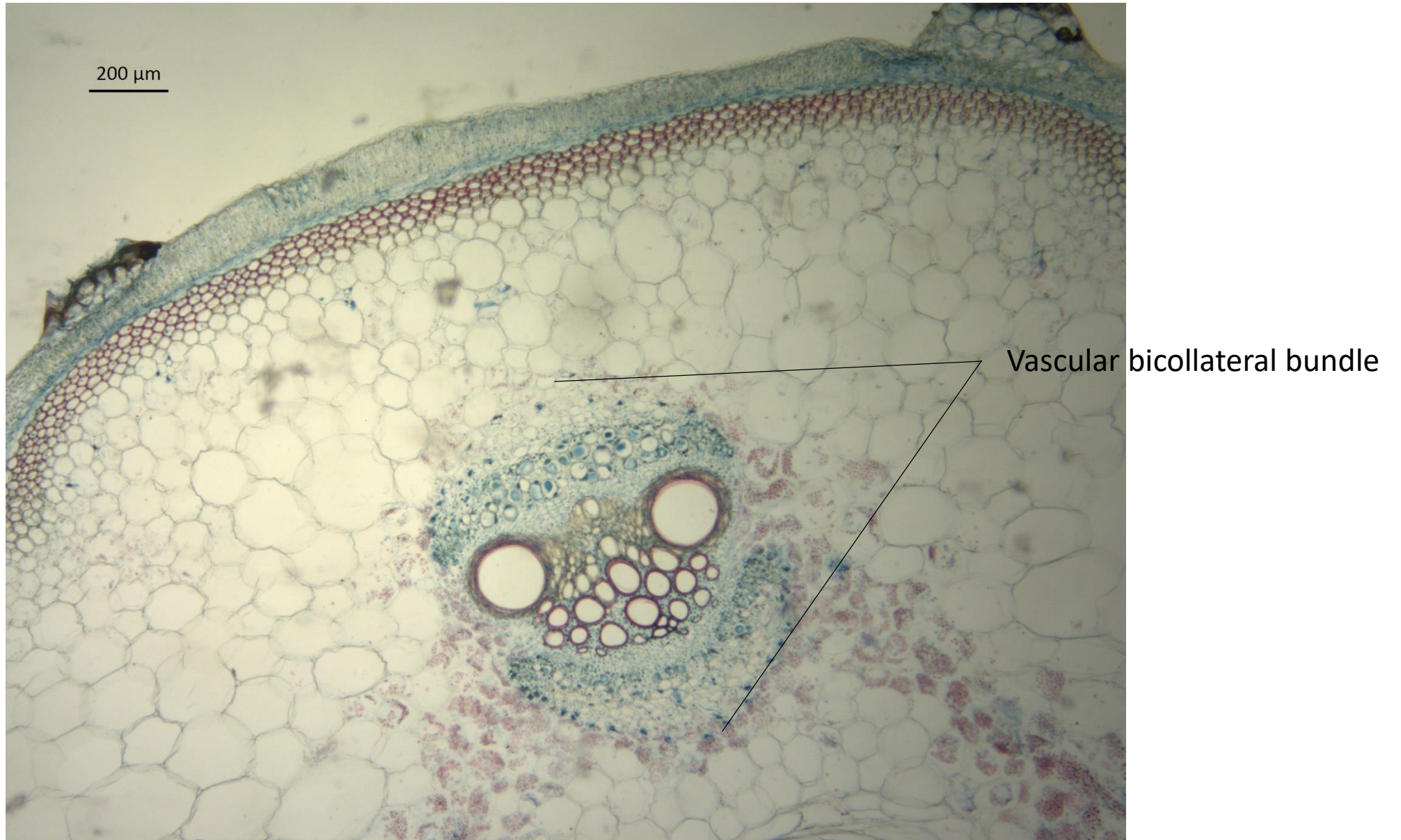


Vascular collateral bundle





## Bicollateral bundle of pumpkin stem (*Cucurbita pepo* L.)





The secondary  
phloem

The cambium

The xylem

The primary  
phloem

100  $\mu\text{m}$

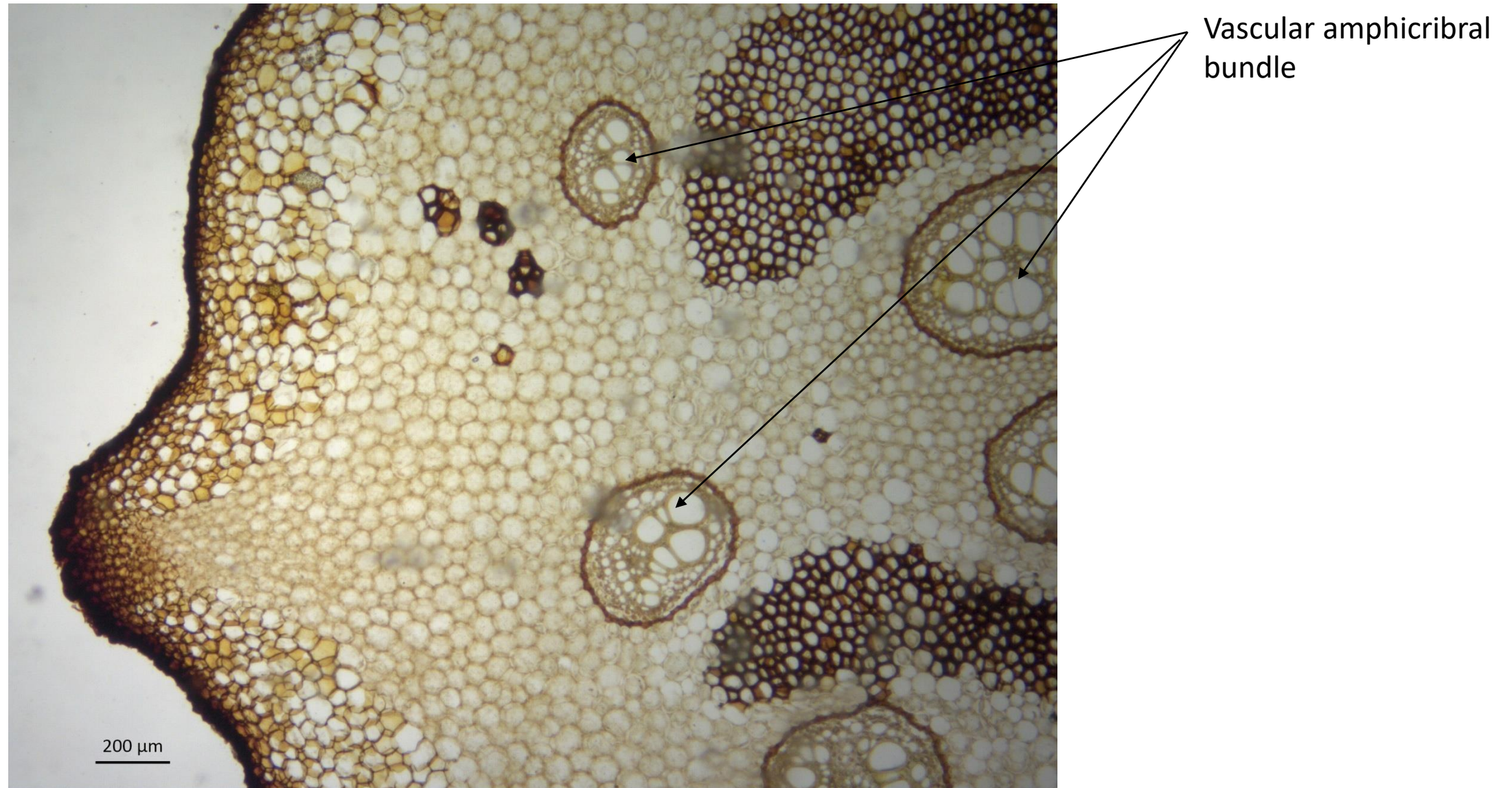


## Conducting bundle of the stalk of *Aristolochia clematitis* L.

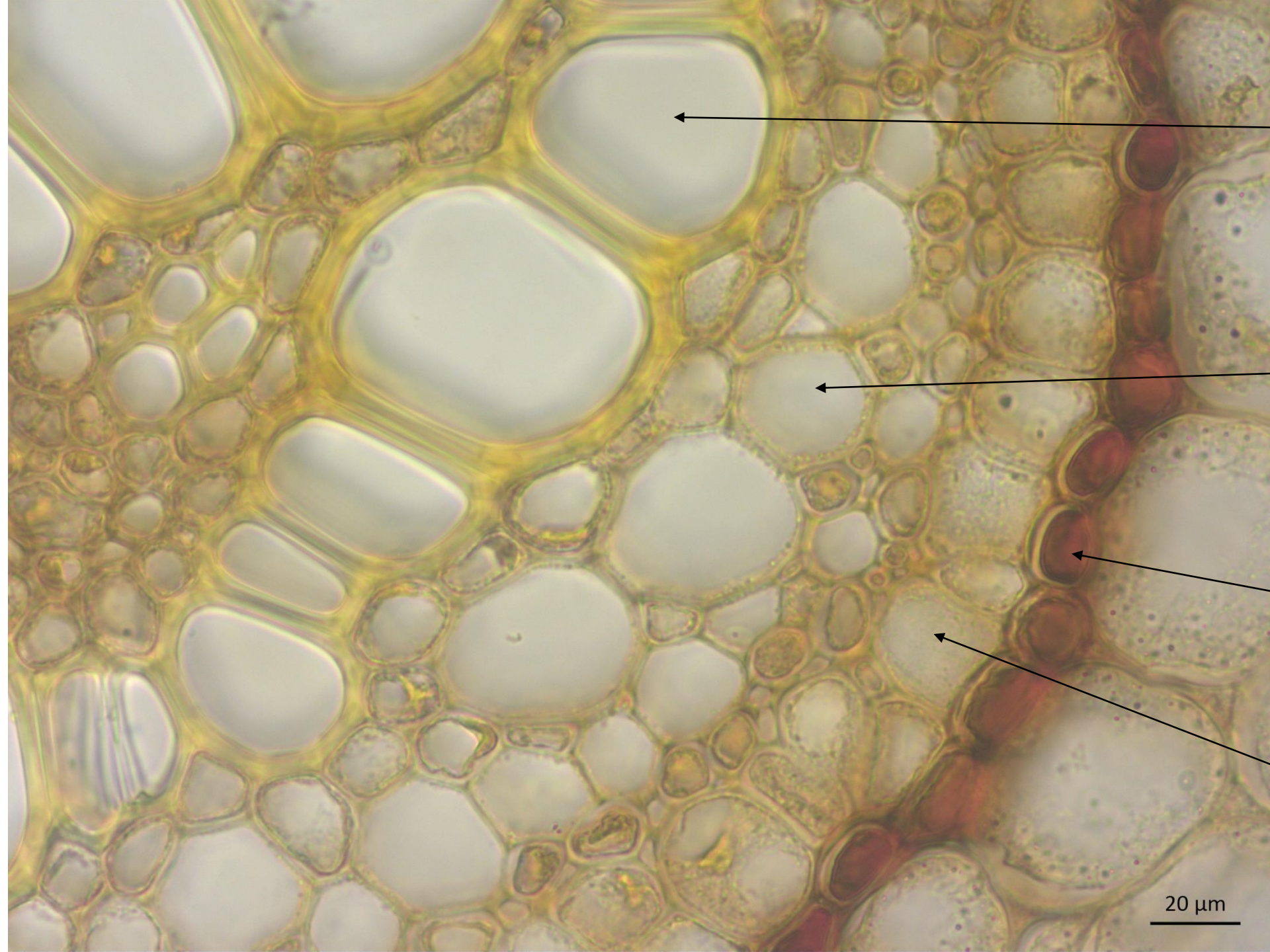




**Conducting bundle of the rhizome of the bracken fern (*Pteridium aquilinum* (L.) Kuhn ex Decken).**







The xylem

The phloem

The endoderm

The pericycle

20  $\mu$ m



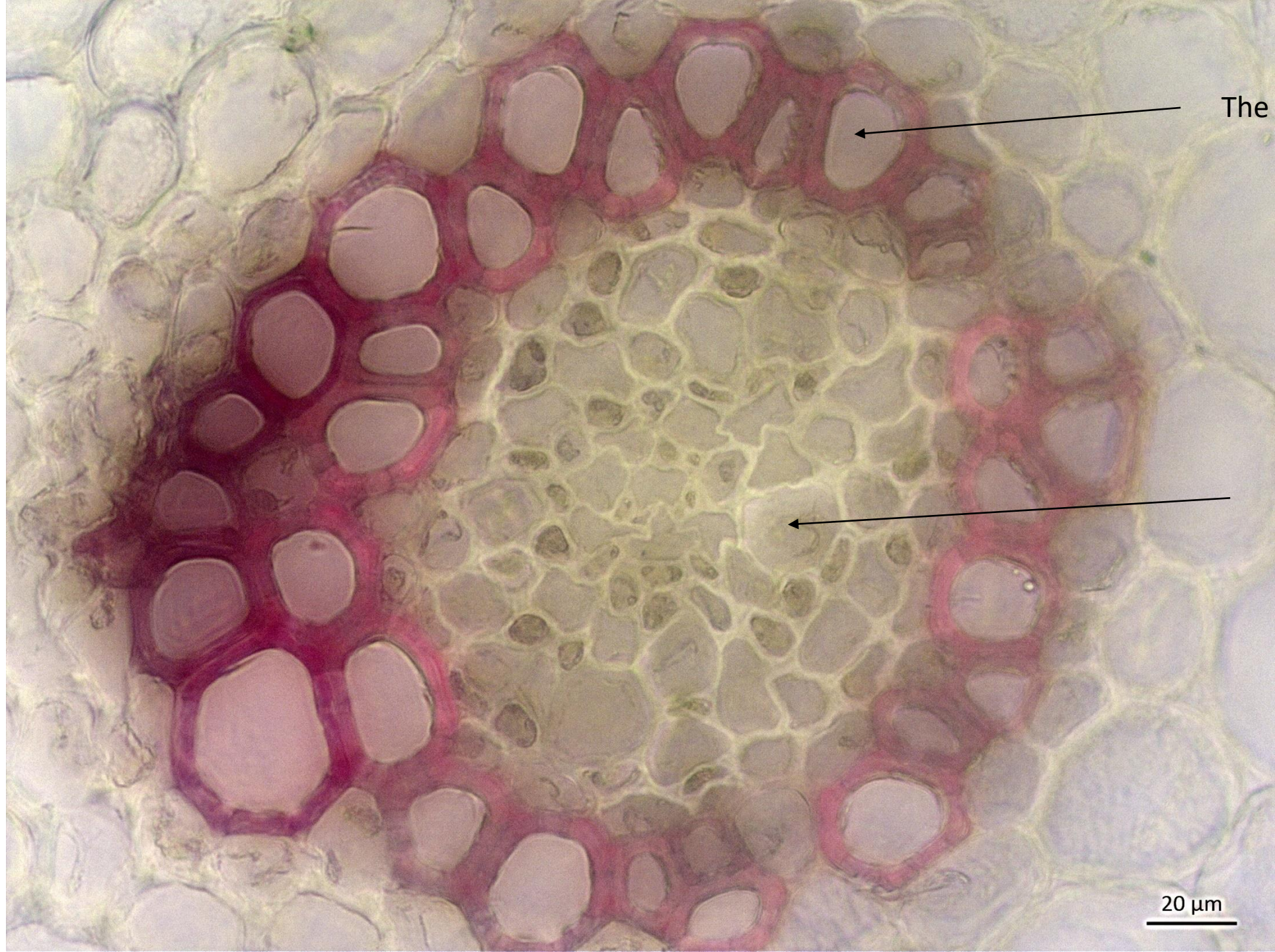
**Conducting bundles in the rhizome of lily of the valley (*Convallaria majalis* L.).**



The collateral bundle

The concentric  
amphivasal bundle





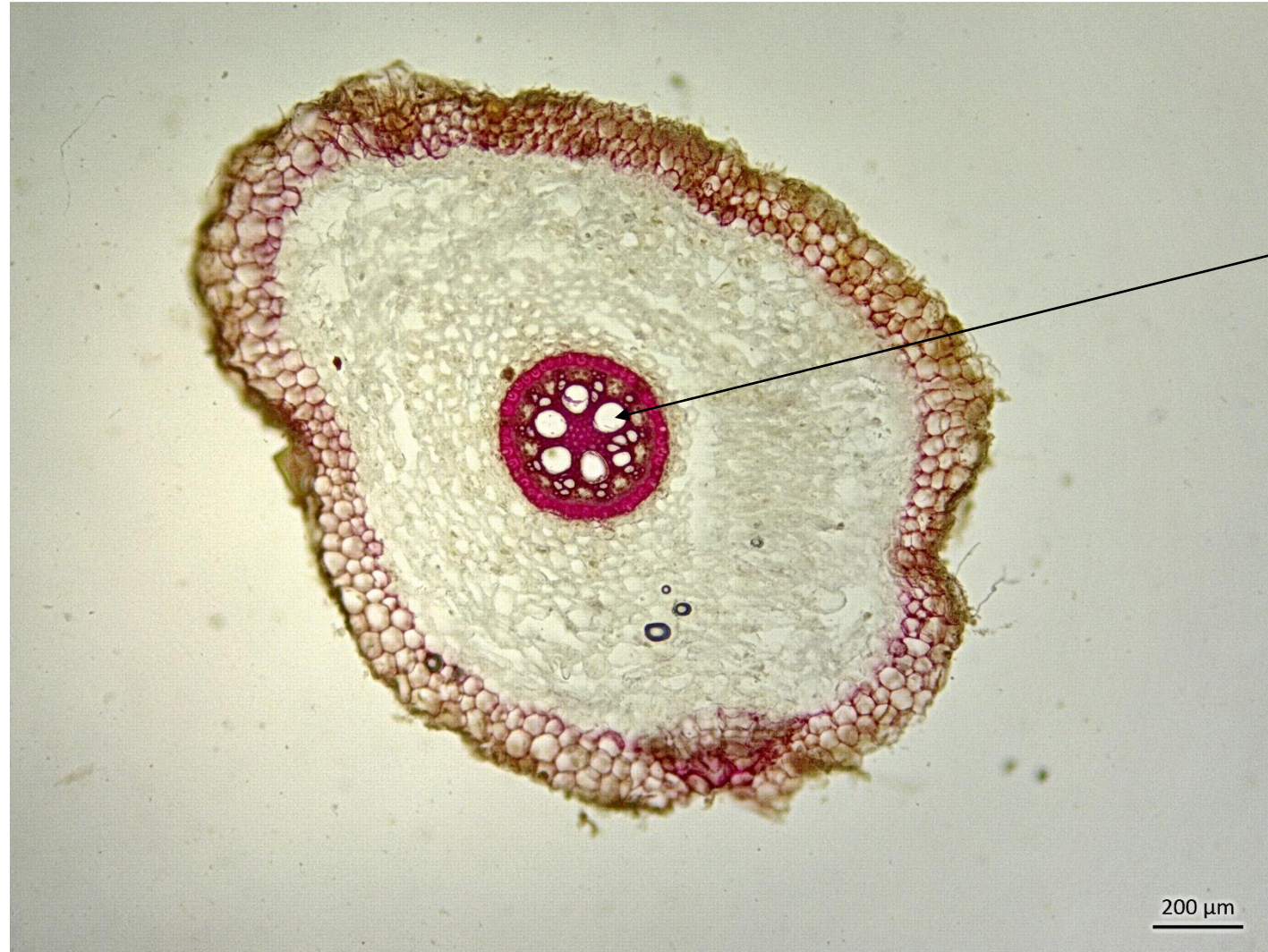
The xylem

The phloem

20  $\mu\text{m}$

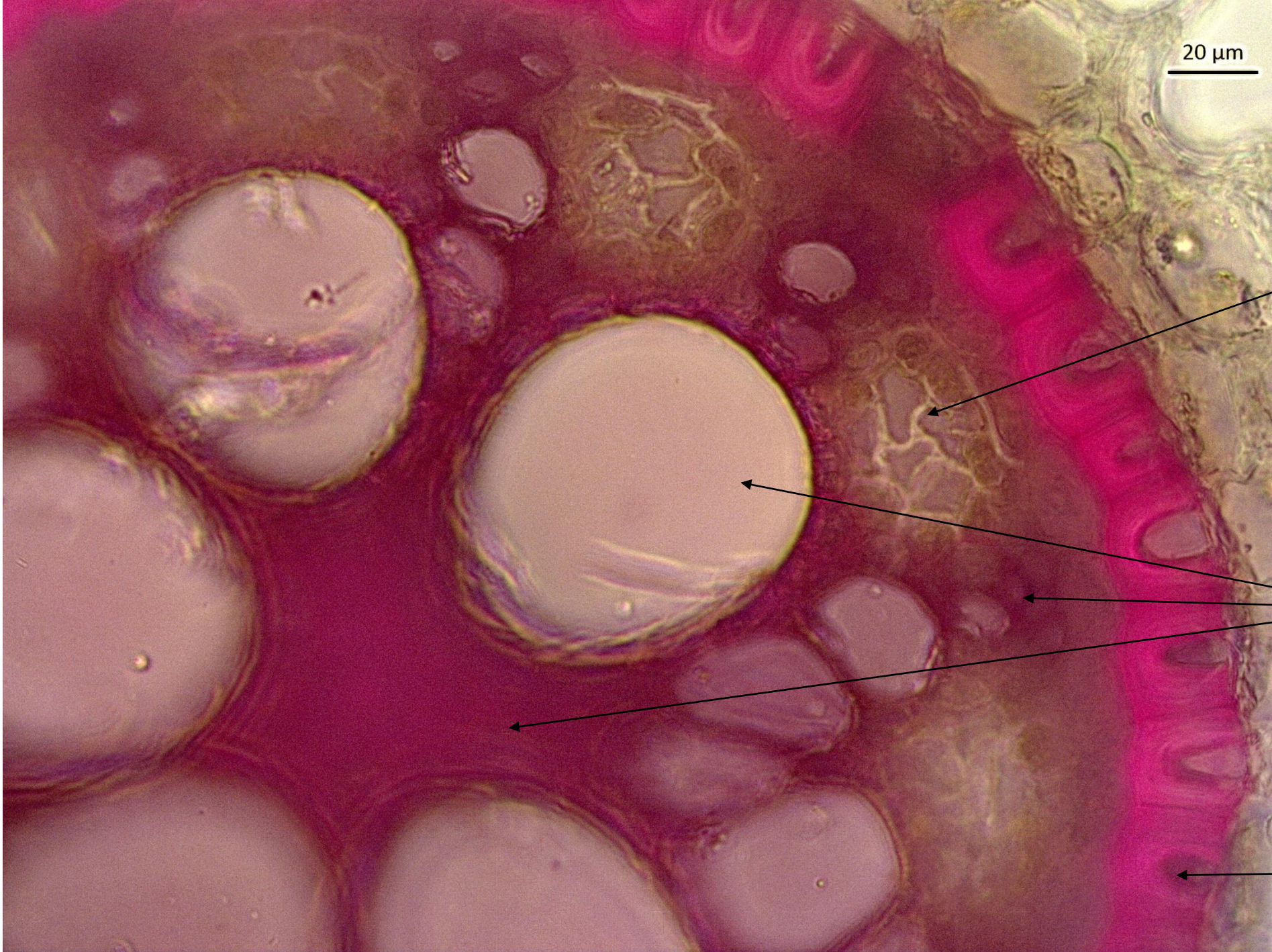


# The radial vascular bundle of the root of *Iris germanica*



The radial vascular bundle





20  $\mu$ m

The phloem

The xylem

The endoderm