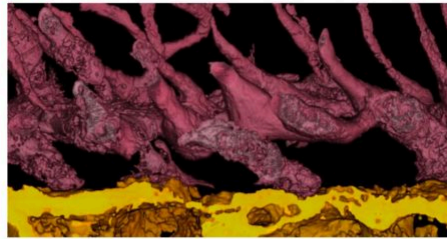


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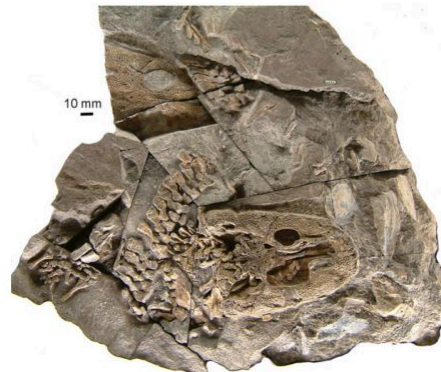


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The evolutionists portrayed the *Coelacanth* as a transitional form until the end of the 1930s. It was claimed that the bones in the fin of the 200-million-year fossil had transformed into limbs and could sustain the weight of the fish when it moved to the land. However, it was found out in 1938 that the *Coelacanth* was still living and the evolutionists were surprised. When the *Coelacanth* caught by the fishermen off the shores of Madagascar was examined, it was seen that the animal had not undergone any mutation for 200 million years and it was a bottom dwelling fish, let alone moving to the land. Furthermore, the organs interpreted by evolutionists as primitive lungs in the fossil were fat sacs. The *Coelacanth* was also caught several times after this date. Eventually, evolutionists had to stop claiming that the *Coelacanth* was a transitional form.

As seen in the example of the aforementioned *Coelacanth*, aquatic creatures like *Acanthostega*, which have bones, are shown as transitional forms not because they have the structure to live on land but due to the prejudice of the evolutionists.



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