



**Figures 24–32.** *Mesalia clarki* (Dickerson, 1914). Specimens coated with ammonium chloride. All from LACMIP loc. 10508. **24.** Hypotype LACMIP 13405, apertural view, height 21.5 mm, diameter, 19.6 mm. **25.** Hypotype LACMIP 13406, slightly oblique apertural view, height 23.1 mm, diameter 10.8 mm. **26–27.** Hypotype LACMIP 13407, height 22.6 mm, diameter 9.4 mm. **26.** Abapertural view. **27.** Oblique apertural view. **28.** Hypotype LACMIP 13408, apertural view, height 23.2 mm, diameter 9.2 mm. **29.** Hypotype LACMIP 13409, abapertural view, height 21.5 mm, diameter 11 mm. **30.** Hypotype LACMIP 13410, abapertural view, height 23.6 mm, diameter 9.7 mm. **31.** Hypotype LACMIP 13411, base, diameter 9.5 mm. **32.** Hypotype LACMIP 13408, base of same specimen shown in Figure 28, diameter 8.9 mm.

specimens have nearly uniform sculpture and flattish whorls (Figure 24), others have carinate whorls (Figure 26), whereas others have uniform sculpture with convex whorls (Figure 29).

Zinsmeister (1983: pl. 2, fig. 14), Zinsmeister and Paredes-Mejia (1988: table 1), and Paredes-Mejia (1989: table 3) reported *M. clarki* from the Santa Susana Formation in the Simi Hills, southern California. These re-

ports, however, were based on the misidentification of a specimen of *Mesalia martinezensis* that happens to lack a strong anterior carina on the otherwise convex whorls.

*Mesalia clarki* resembles *Motyris aralica* (Michailovski, 1912; Wenz, 1939: 652, fig. 1856) from upper Eocene rocks in the Aral Sea region. *Motyris* Eames, 1952, was formerly known as *Tomyris* Michailovski, 1912. See Marwick (1957: 162–163) for more taxonomic information about *Motyris*. *Mesalia clarki* differs from *M. aralica* by not having tabulate whorls with strongly indented sutures. The full aperture of *M. aralica* is unknown, and details about its apical whorl development are wanting. The only other species of *Motyris* that we are aware of is *Motyris pseudoaralica* Eames (1952: 30–31, pl. 1, fig. 15; pl. 2, figs. 58a, b) from Pakistan, but its aperture is unknown. We believe that when the great variability of *Mesalia* is taken into account, *Motyris* will prove to be congeneric.

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## APPENDIX

### LOCALITIES CITED

Localities are LACMIP, unless otherwise noted. All quadrangle maps are U. S. Geological Survey maps.

7060. Elevation 1427 ft., on ridge between Temesal and Santa Ynez canyons at edge of fire road on top of ridge, Topanga Canyon Quadrangle (7.5 minute, 1952, photorevised 1981), Los Angeles County, southern California. Paleocene. Santa Susana Formation. Coll.: H. D. B. Wilson, June 1, 1941.
10508. North slope of Trailer Canyon near top of ridge between Quarry and Trailer canyons at approximately 1325 ft. elevation and just west of saddle, just below coralline-algal beds in limy siltstone west of small fault, road cut north side of unpaved road 5600 ft. north of San Vicente y Santa Monica Grant boundary, 10,400 ft. east of Los Angeles City boundary, Topanga Quadrangle (7.5 minute, 1952, photorevised 1981), east of Santa Ynez Canyon, Palisades Highlands, Santa Monica Mountains, Los Angeles County, southern California. Lower upper Paleocene (lower Thanetian). Santa Susana Formation. Coll.: G. Strathearn and others, fall, 1982.
11717. Float at about 1600 ft. elevation in bottom of south-flowing gully joining Quarry Canyon at about 1410 ft. elevation; 1500 ft. SW of hill 2036, Topanga Quadrangle (7.5 minute, 1952, photorevised 1981), Los Angeles County, southern California. Paleocene. Santa Susana Formation. Coll.: J. M. Alderson, November 11, 1980.
21581. Black nodular shale and conglomerate on road 1.1 mi. east from Cienaga Camp at Fish Canyon forks toward Warm Springs summit; on northwest side of ravine; north side East Fork Fish Canyon, T. 6 N, R. 16 W, approximately 2050 ft. north, 750 ft. east of bench mark 2205, Warm Springs Mountain Quadrangle (7.5 minute, 1958, photorevised 1974), Los Angeles County, southern California. Pa-leocene (upper Danian). San Francisquito Formation. Coll.: R. W. Webb and E. H. Quayle, June 23–24, 1941.
21607. South 1/2, SE 1/4, section 25, T. 2 N, R. 18 W, Calabasas Quadrangle (7.5 minute, 1952, photorevised 1967), Ventura County, southern California. Lower upper Paleocene (lower Thanetian). Santa Susana Formation. Coll.: Kinney and Sherman, date unknown.
21554. Reworked fossil boulders in conglomerate, in second spur canyon off Poison Oak Canyon east of Las Llajas Canyon, 2800 ft. up canyon (north) from Poison Oak Canyon; on west slope 25 ft. above bottom of canyon, Santa Susana Quadrangle (7.5 minute, 1951, photorevised 1969), north side Simi Valley, Ventura County, southern California. Paleocene. Santa Susana Formation. Coll.: P. L. Goldman, date unknown.
22330. Beds cropping out on nose of spur on west side of Meier Canyon, approximately 600 ft. north of second "n" in "Meier Canyon," Santa Susana Quadrangle (7.5 minute, 1951, photorevised 1969), south side of Simi Valley, Simi Hills, Ventura County, southern California. Lower middle Paleocene (Selanian) = *Turritella peninsularis* Zone. Santa Susana Formation, "Martinez marine member." Coll.: W. P. Popenoe, April 3, 1946.
22557. Sandstone bed below small waterfall [dry] west of road going south through Barclay Ranch, 10,162 ft. south and 5660 ft. wet of junction of Southern Pacific railroad and Los Angeles Ave. about 0.25 mi. east of Santa Susana, Santa Susana Quadrangle (7.5 minute, 1951, photorevised 1969), Simi Hills, Ventura County, southern California. Paleocene. Santa Susana Formation. Coll.: M. Murphy, spring, 1950.
22698. On first large ridge; trending southwest to west of ridge trending south of hill 2150. Bearing from the northwest corner of the Calabasas Quadrangle is S14°E; distance 12,210 ft., Calabasas Quadrangle (7.5 minute, 1952, photorevised 1967), Simi Hills, Ventura County, southern California. Paleocene. Santa Susana Formation. Coll.: J. H. Fantozzi, June 1, 1951.
25281. Sandstone at elevation of 1000 ft., about 400 ft. south and 1000 ft. west of northeast corner of section 5, T. 1 S, R. 17 W, Malibu Beach Quadrangle (7.5 minute, 1950, photorevised 1967), on west side of northern tributary to Stokes Canyon, western Santa Monica Mountains, Los Angeles County, southern California. Reworked Paleocene (Selanian) fossils in middle Miocene Calabasas Formation, Stokes Canyon Breccia Member. Coll.: J. Stark and T. Susuki family, May 5, 1965.
26897. Gully west side of Temesal Canyon opposite 2nd 'e' of Temesal at about 1475 ft. elevation; approximately 1082 m (3550 ft.) south; 533m (1750 ft.) east of hill 22036; San Vincente and Santa Monica Grant, Topanga Quadrangle (7.5 minute, 1952, photorevised 1967), Santa Monica Mountains, Los Angeles County, southern California. Middle upper Paleocene (middle Thanetian). Santa Susana Formation. Coll.: J. M. Alderson, March 9, 1980.
- UCMP 1540. Elevation 1000 ft., 1 mi. south of Stewartville (site), northeast corner of NW 1/4, section 15, T. 1 N, R. 1 E, Antioch South Quadrangle (7.5 minute, 1973, photorevised), 300 ft. south of basal Tejon conglomerate and 600 ft. north of Chico-Martinez contact, northeast side of Mount Diablo, Contra Costa County, northern California. Upper middle Paleocene (Selanian) = *Turritella infra-granulata pachecoensis* Zone. "Martinez" Formation, lower member. Coll.: R. E. Dickerson, circa 1912.