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# An ostracod assemblage from late Visean shales of the Cracow area

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Late Visean ostracod assemblages from three regions of southern Poland strongly differ in contribution of species and specimens of the three main superfamilies. In the Cracow area, ostracods from the clays of Orlej are basically different from those kom the limestone section of Czerna located only ten kilometers eastward but are similar to ostracods from the Lublin region. The kloedenellacean-bairdiacean dominant fauna of Czerna is representative of nearshore conditions, as opposed to the offshore Orlej bairdiacean-kirkbyacean fauna.

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