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Review Facts About Living Things

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What Are the Main Characteristics of organisms?

1. Made of **CELLS**
2. Require **ENERGY** (food)
3. **REPRODUCE** (species)
4. Maintain **HOMEOSTASIS**
5. **ORGANIZED**
6. **RESPOND** to environment
7. **GROW** and **DEVELOP**
8. **EXCHANGE** materials with surroundings
(water, wastes, gases)

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LEVELS OF ORGANIZATION

Nonliving Levels:

1. **ATOM** (element)
2. **MOLECULE** (compounds like
carbohydrates & proteins)
3. **ORGANELLES** (nucleus, ER, Golgi ...)

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LEVELS OF ORGANIZATION

Living Levels:

1. **CELL** (makes up ALL organisms)
2. **TISSUE** (cells working together)
3. **ORGAN** (heart, brain, stomach ...)
4. **ORGAN SYSTEMS** (respiratory, circulatory ...)
5. **ORGANISM**

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LEVELS OF ORGANIZATION

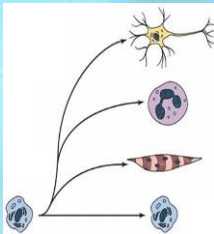
Living Levels continued:

1. **POPULATION** (one species in an area)
2. **COMMUNITY** (several populations in an area)
3. **ECOSYSTEM** (forest, prairie ...)

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History of Cells & the Cell Theory



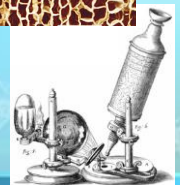
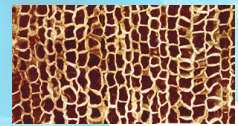
Cell
Specialization

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First to View Cells

- In 1665, **Robert Hooke** used a microscope to examine a thin slice of **cork** (dead plant cell walls)
- What he saw looked like small **boxes**

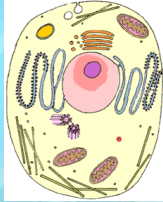


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CELL THEORY

- All living things are made of **cells**
- Cells are the basic unit of **structure and function** in an organism (basic unit of life)
- Cells come from the **reproduction of existing cells** (cell division)



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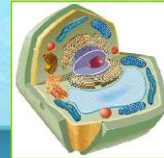
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Cell Size and Types

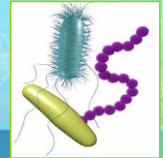
- Cells, the basic units of organisms, can only be **observed under microscope**
- Three Basic types of cells include:



Animal Cell



Plant Cell
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Bacterial Cell

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Number of Cells

Although **ALL** living things are made of cells, organisms may be:

- **Unicellular** - composed of one cell
- **Multicellular** - composed of many cells that may organize into tissues, etc.

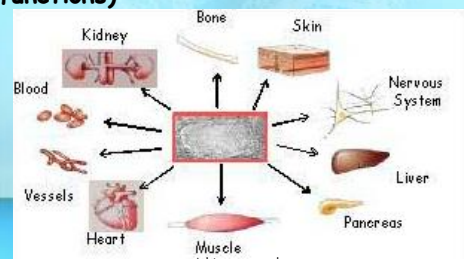


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Multicellular Organisms

- Cells in multicellular organisms often **specialize** (take on different shapes & functions)

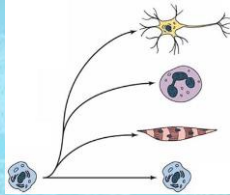


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Cell Specialization

- Cells in a multi-cellular organism become specialized by turning different genes on and off
- This is known as **DIFFERENTIATION**

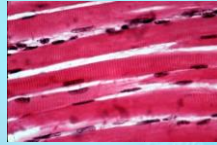


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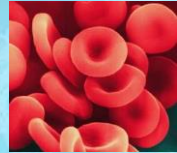
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Specialized Animal Cells

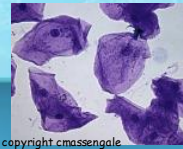
Muscle cells



Red blood cells



Cheek cells



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Specialized Plant cells

Guard Cells



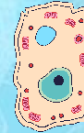
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Organization Levels of Life

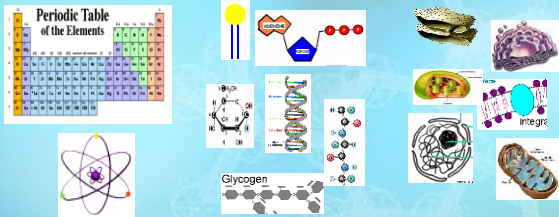


Atoms to Organisms

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Nonliving Levels

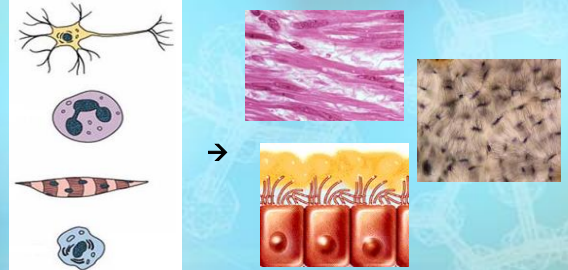


ATOMS → MOLECULES → ORGANELLES

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Living Levels



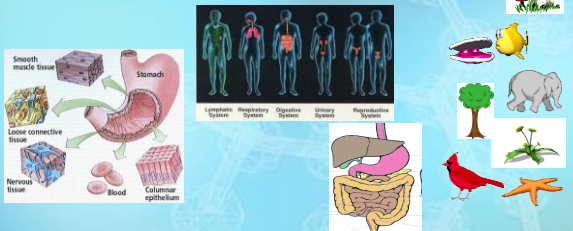
CELLS - life starts here

→ TISSUES - Similar cells working together

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More Living Levels



ORGANS → ORGAN SYSTEMS → ORGANISM

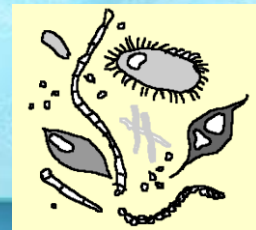
Different tissues working together

Different organs working together

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Simple or Complex Cells



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Prokaryotes - The first Cells

- Cells that lack a nucleus or membrane-bound organelles
- Includes bacteria
- Simplest type of cell
- Single, circular chromosome

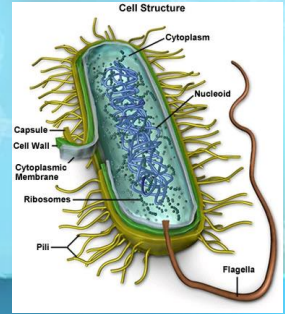


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Prokaryotes

- **Nucleoid region** (center) contains the DNA
- Surrounded by **cell membrane & cell wall (peptidoglycan)**
- Contain **ribosomes** (no membrane) in their cytoplasm to make proteins

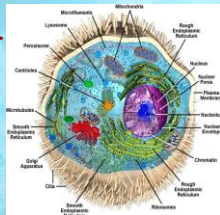


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Eukaryotes

- Cells that **HAVE a nucleus and membrane-bound organelles**
- Includes **fungi, plants, and animals**
- More **complex** type of cells



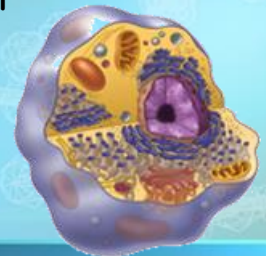
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Eukaryotic Cell

Contain 3 basic cell structures:

- **Nucleus**
- **Cell Membrane**
- **Cytoplasm with organelles**



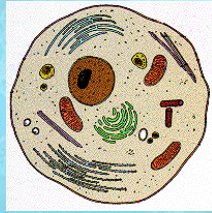
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Two Main Types of Eukaryotic Cells



Plant Cell

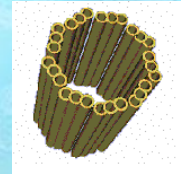


Animal Cell

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Organelles



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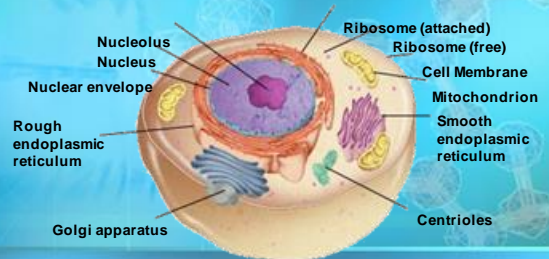
Organelles

- Very **small** (Microscopic)
- Perform **various functions** for a cell
- Found in the **cytoplasm**
- May or may not be **membrane-bound**

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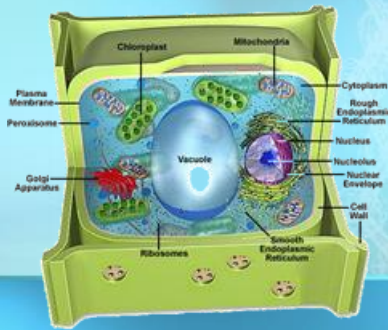
Animal Cell Organelles



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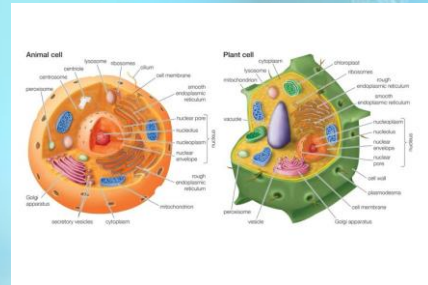
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Plant Cell Organelles



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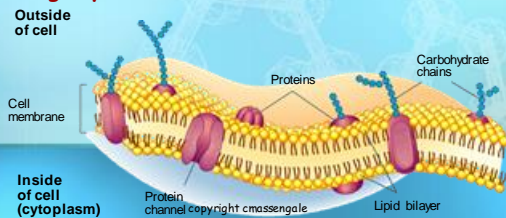


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Cell or Plasma Membrane

- Composed of **double layer of phospholipids and proteins**
- **Surrounds** outside of **ALL cells**
- Controls what **enters or leaves the cell**
- **Living layer**



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Membrane proteins are proteins that interact with, or are part of, biological membranes

They include

- **integral membrane**
- **peripheral membrane proteins**

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The integral membrane proteins are classified as

- **Transmembrane (cell marker)** proteins that span across the membrane
- integral monotopic proteins that are attached to only one side of the membrane.

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Membrane proteins are a common type of proteins along with soluble

- globular proteins (Water soluble)
- fibrous proteins (Water insoluble)
- disordered proteins

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Why Important???

- Membrane receptor proteins relay signals between the cell's internal and external environments.
- Transport proteins move molecules and ions across the membrane. They can be categorized according to the Transporter Classification database.
- Membrane enzymes may have many activities, such as oxidoreductase, transferase or hydrolase

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Why Important???

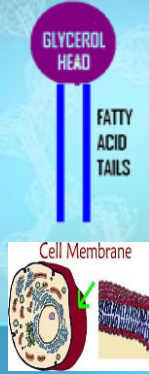
- They are targets of over 50% of all modern medicinal drugs.
- It is estimated that 20-30% of all genes in most genomes encode membrane proteins

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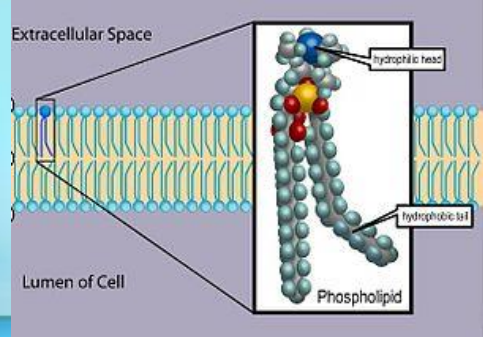
Phospholipids

- Heads contain **glycerol & phosphate** and are **hydrophilic** (attract water)
- Tails are made of **fatty acids** and are **hydrophobic** (repel water)
- Make up a **bilayer** where **tails point inward** toward each other
- Can **move laterally** to allow **small molecules** (O_2 , CO_2 , & H_2O to enter)



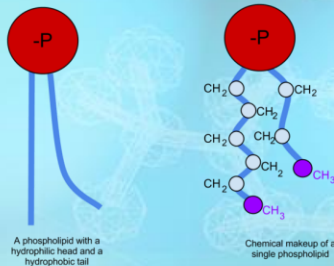
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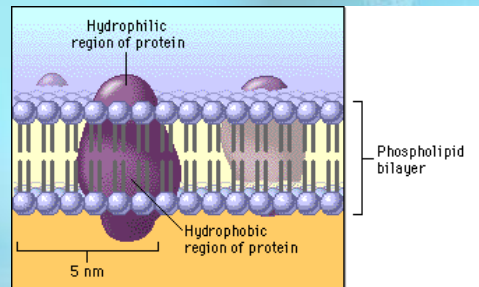
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The Cell Membrane is Fluid



Molecules in cell membranes are constantly moving and changing

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Cell Membrane Proteins

- Proteins help move large molecules or aid in cell recognition
- Peripheral proteins are attached on the surface (inner or outer)
- Integral proteins are embedded completely through the membrane

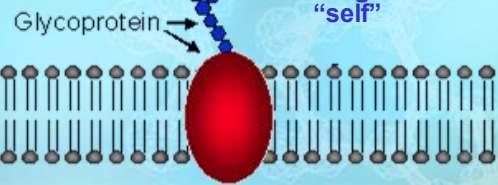


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GLYCOPROTEINS (TransMembrane Protein)

Recognize
"self"



Glycoproteins have carbohydrate tails to act as markers for cell recognition

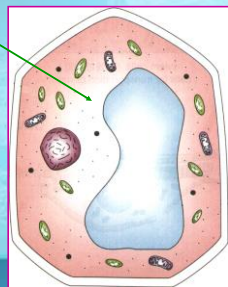
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Cytoplasm of a Cell

- Jelly-like substance enclosed by cell membrane
- Provides a medium for chemical reactions to take place

cytoplasm



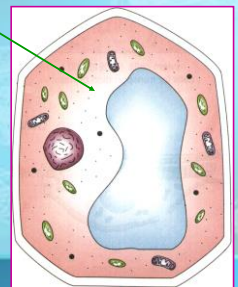
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More on Cytoplasm

- Contains organelles to carry out specific jobs
- Found in ALL cells

cytoplasm

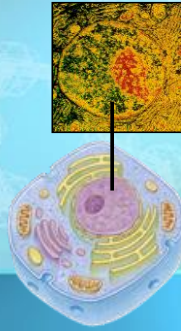


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The Control Organelle - Nucleus

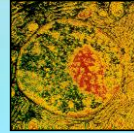
- Controls the normal activities of the cell
- Contains the DNA in chromosomes
- Bounded by a nuclear envelope (membrane) with pores
- Usually the largest organelle



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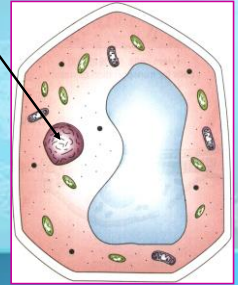
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More on the Nucleus



- Each cell has fixed number of chromosomes that carry genes
- Genes control cell characteristics

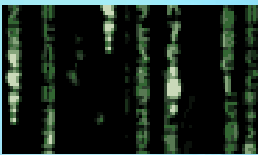
Nucleus



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What Does DNA do?



DNA is the hereditary material of the cell

Genes that make up the DNA molecule code for different proteins

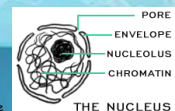
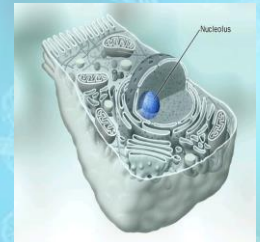


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Nucleolus

- Inside nucleus
- Cell may have 1 to 3 nucleoli
- Disappears when cell divides
- Makes ribosomes that make proteins

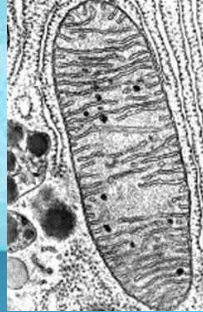


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Mitochondrion (plural = mitochondria)

- "Powerhouse" of the cell
- Generate cellular **energy (ATP)**
- More **active cells** like **muscle cells** have **MORE mitochondria**
- Both plants & animal cells have mitochondria
- Site of **CELLULAR RESPIRATION** (burning glucose)



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MITOCHONDRIA



Figure 1

Surrounded by a **DOUBLE membrane**

Has its own **DNA**

Folded inner membrane called **CRISTAE** (increases surface area for more chemical Reactions)

Interior called **MATRIX**

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Interesting Fact ---



- Mitochondria Come from cytoplasm in the **EGG** cell during fertilization

Therefore ...

- You inherit your mitochondria from your **mother!**

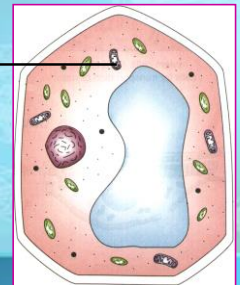
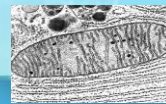
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Cell Powerhouse

Mitochondrion
(mitochondria)

Rod shape



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Differences in a Nutshell

1. Nuclear DNA is found inside the nucleus of the cell while mitochondrial DNA is found only in the mitochondria of the cell.
2. Nuclear DNA is linear in shape while mitochondrial DNA is circular in shape.
3. Nuclear DNA is longer as compared to the mitochondrial DNA which is shorter.

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Differences in a Nutshell

4. Nuclear DNA is inherited from the mother and father both whereas on the other hand the mitochondrial DNA is inherited from the mother only.
5. Nuclear DNA consists of forty six chromosomes while mitochondrial DNA consists of only one chromosome.

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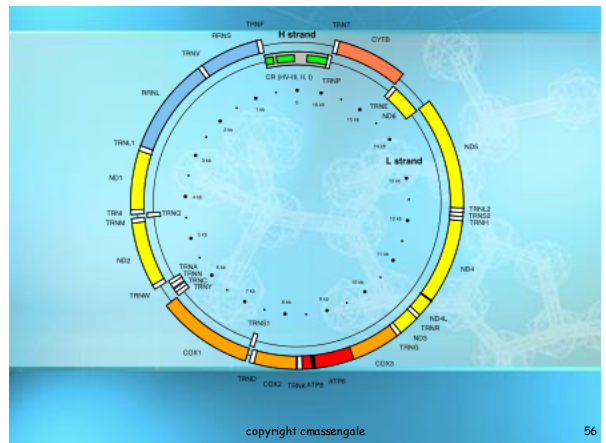
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Differences in a Nutshell

6. The nuclear DNA contains 20,000 to 25,000 genes while mitochondrial DNA contains only thirty seven genes.
7. The chromosomes in nuclear DNA are responsible genetic make-up of a human being while the chromosome of the mitochondrial DNA is responsible for the metabolic activities.

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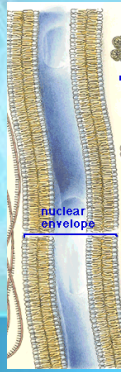


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Nuclear Envelope

- **Double membrane** surrounding nucleus
- Also called **nuclear membrane**
- Contains **nuclear pores** for materials to enter & leave nucleus
- **Connected to the rough ER**



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Inside the Nucleus -

The genetic material (DNA) is found



DNA is spread out
And appears as
CHROMATIN
in non-dividing cells

DNA is condensed &
wrapped around proteins
forming
as **CHROMOSOMES**
in dividing cells

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1923 by Theophilus Painter
• counted 24 pairs
Until 1956!

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The prokaryotes
Bacteria
1.3 M bp

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Eukaryotes may have small circular or linear cytoplasmic chromosomes.

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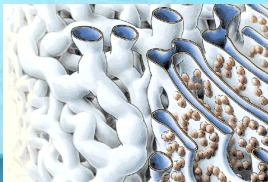
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2	1300	242,751,149	7.9	227,712,649
3	1000	199,446,827	6.5	194,704,827
4	1000	191,263,063	6.2	187,297,063
5	900	180,837,866	5.9	177,702,766
6	1000	170,896,993	5.5	167,273,993
7	900	158,821,424	5.2	154,952,424
8	700	146,274,826	4.7	142,612,826
9	800	140,442,298	4.6	120,512,298
10	700	135,374,237	4.4	131,624,737
11	1300	134,452,384	4.4	131,130,833
12	1100	132,289,534	4.3	130,303,534
13	300	114,127,980	3.7	95,559,980
14	800	106,360,585	3.5	88,290,585
15	600	100,338,915	3.3	81,341,915
16	800	88,822,254	2.9	78,884,754
22	500	49,538,953	1.6	34,809,953
X (sex chromosome)	800	154,913,754	5.0	151,058,754
Y (sex chromosome)	50	57,741,652	1.9	25,121,652
Total	21,000	3,079,843,747	100.0	2,857,698,560

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Endoplasmic Reticulum - ER

- Network of hollow membrane tubules
- Connects to nuclear envelope & cell membrane
- Functions in Synthesis of cell products & Transport



Two kinds of ER -- ROUGH & SMOOTH

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Rough Endoplasmic Reticulum (Rough ER)

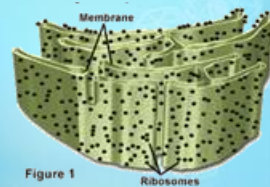


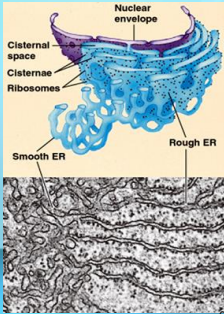
Figure 1

- Has ribosomes on its surface
- Makes membrane proteins and proteins for EXPORT out of cell

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Rough Endoplasmic Reticulum (Rough ER)



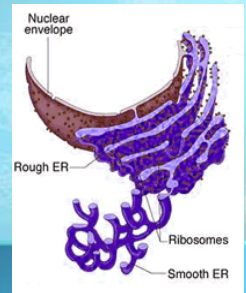
- Proteins are made by **ribosomes on ER surface**
- They are then **threaded into the interior of the Rough ER** to be modified and transported

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Smooth Endoplasmic Reticulum

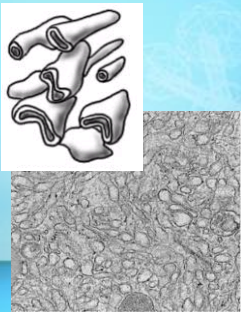
- **Smooth ER** lacks ribosomes on its surface
- Is **attached to the ends of rough ER**
- Makes cell products that are **USED INSIDE the cell**



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Functions of the Smooth ER

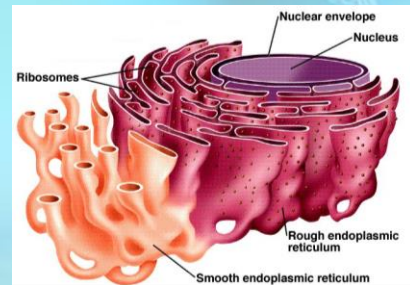


- Makes membrane lipids (**steroids**)
- **Regulates calcium** (muscle cells)
- **Destroys toxic substances** (Liver)

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Endomembrane System



Includes nuclear membrane connected to ER connected to cell membrane (transport)

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Ribosomes

- Made of **PROTEINS** and **rRNA**
- "Protein factories" for cell
- Join **amino acids** to make proteins
- Process called **protein synthesis**

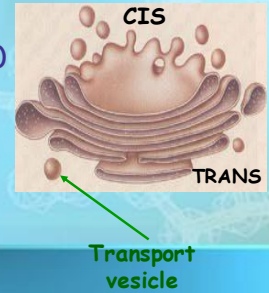


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Golgi Bodies

- Stacks of **flattened sacs**
- Have a shipping side (**trans face**) and receiving side (**cis face**)
- Receive **proteins** made by ER
- **Transport vesicles** with modified proteins pinch off the ends

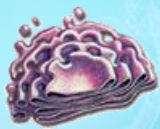


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Golgi Bodies

Look like a stack of pancakes



Modify, sort, & package molecules from ER for **storage** OR **transport** out of cell

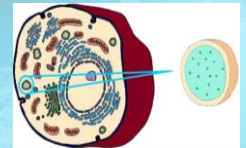


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Lysosomes

- Contain **digestive enzymes**
- Break down **food, bacteria, and worn out cell parts** for cells
- Programmed for **cell death (AUTOLYSIS)**
- Lyse (break open) & **release enzymes** to break down & recycle cell parts)

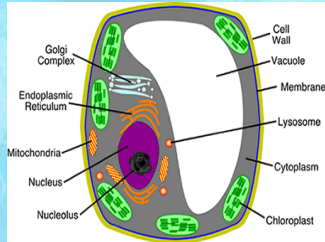


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Vacuoles

- Fluid filled sacks for storage
- Small or absent in *animal cells*
- *Plant cells have a large Central Vacuole*
- No vacuoles in *bacterial cells*

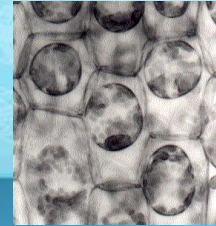


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Vacuoles

- In plants, they store **Cell Sap**
- Includes storage of **sugars, proteins, minerals, lipids, wastes, salts, water, and enzymes**



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Size

Animal cells are generally smaller than plant cells.
Animal cells range from 10 to 30 micrometers in length
Plant cells range from 10 and 100 micrometers in length.

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Shape

Animal cells come in various sizes and tend to have round or irregular shapes.
Plant cells are more similar in size and are typically rectangular or cube shaped.

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Proteins

Of the 20 amino acids needed to produce proteins, only 10 can be produced naturally in animal cells. The rest are **through diet**. Plants are capable of synthesizing all 20 amino acids.

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Differentiation

In animal cells, **only stem cells** are capable of converting to other cell types. Most plant cell types are capable of differentiation.

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Growth

Animal cells increase in size by increasing in cell numbers. Plant cells mainly increase cell size by becoming larger. They grow by absorbing more water into the central vacuole.

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Cell Wall

Animal cells do not **have a cell wall** but have a cell membrane. Plant cells have a cell wall composed of cellulose as well as a cell membrane.

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Centrioles

Animal cells contain these cylindrical structures that organize the assembly of microtubules during cell division.

Plant cells do not typically contain centrioles.

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Cilia

Cilia are found in animal cells but not usually in plant cells. Cilia are microtubules that aid in cellular locomotion.

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Lysosomes

Animal cells possess **lysosomes** which contain enzymes that digest cellular macromolecules.

Plant cells rarely contain lysosomes as the plant **vacuole handles molecule degradation.**

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Plastids

Animal cells do not have plastids. Plant cells contain plastids such as chloroplasts, which are needed for photosynthesis.

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Energy Storage

Animals cells store energy in the form of the complex carbohydrate glycogen.

Plant cells store energy as **starch**.

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Vacuole

Animal cells may have many small vacuoles. Plant cells have a large central vacuole that can occupy up to 90% of the cell's volume.

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1958	Work on the structure of proteins, especially that of insulin
1958	Discovery that genes act by regulating definite chemical events
1959	Discovery of the mechanisms in the biological synthesis of ribonucleic and deoxyribonucleic acid
1962	Studies of the structures of globular proteins
1962	Discoveries concerning the molecular structure of nuclear acids and its significance for information transfer in living material
1965	Discoveries concerning genetic control of enzyme and virus synthesis
1968	Interpretation of the genetic code and its function in protein synthesis
1969	Discoveries concerning the replication mechanism and the genetic structure of viruses
1975	Discoveries concerning the interaction between tumour viruses and the genetic material of the cell
1978	Discovery of restriction enzymes and their application to problems of molecular genetics
1980	Contributions concerning the determination of base sequences in nucleic acids
1983	Discovery of mobile genetic elements
1989	Discovery of catalytic properties of RNA
1993	Discoveries of split genes
2006	Studies of the molecular basis of eukaryotic transcription
2006	Discovery of RNA interference - gene silencing by double-stranded RNA
2009	Studies of the structure and function of the ribosome
2015	Mechanistic studies of DNA repair