







INTRODUCTION TO CELL, CELL THEORY, CLASSIFICATION
OF CELLS, PROKARYOTIC CELL - NUCLEOID, CYTOPLASM,
CELL ENVELOPE, GRAM STAINING





Key Takeaways

- Yesteryear of cell
- · Classification of cells based on:
 - → Shape
 - → Size
 - → Number
 - → Presence or absence of nuclear membrane
 - Prokaryotic cell
 - Eukaryotic cell

- Cell theory
- · Introduction to cell
- · Prokaryotic cell
- Gram staining

Cell

• All living organisms are made of tiny compartments known as cells.



Tree (Plantae)



Tiger (Animalia)

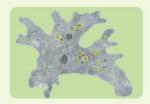
Cell



Mushroom (Fungi)



Bacterium (Monera)



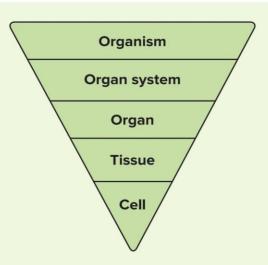
Amoeba (Protista)

- Cells are the smallest possible entities of any living organism.
- · Cell is the basis of all life on Earth. Hence, it is known as the fundamental unit of life.
- It is the functional and structural unit of life.
- The body has different levels of organisations that build on each other.





 Cells of similar type come together to form tissues, tissues come together to form organs, several organs come together to form organ systems.



Yesteryear of cell

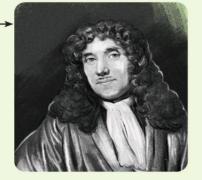
Robert Hooke (1665)

- · First to observe dead cork
- · Cork looked like a honeycomb structure
- He named the structures he observed as 'cells' because it reminded him of cells in a monastery.
- Wrote Micrographia



Antonie van Leeuwenhoek (1674)

- First to observe live cells (animal cells)
- · Called tiny creatures 'animalcules'
- First to observe and describe spermatozoa
- Observed the plaque between his teeth under the microscope



Robert Brown (1831)

- · First to discover plant nucleus
- · Coined the term 'nucleus'





Matthias Schleiden (1838)

- Examined large number of plants
- Observed that plants are composed of different type of cells which form tissues



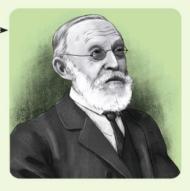
Theodor Schwann (1839)

- · Studied different types of animal cells
- Reported that cells had plasma membrane
- · Concluded that plants have cell wall
- Hypothesised that bodies of animals and plants are composed of cells



Rudolf Virchow (1855)

- Modified the hypothesis of Schleiden and Schwann
- First to explain that cells are formed from pre-existing cells (Omnis cellula-e cellula)



Cell theory

 Matthias Schleiden and Theodore Schwann identified key differences between the plant and animal cells and put forth the idea that cells were the fundamental units of both plant and animal cells.

MATTHIAS SCHLEIDEN (1838)

Observed that all plants are made up of different types of cells

CELL THEORY

All plants and animals are composed of cells and cell products

THEODOR SCHWANN (1839)

Observed that all animals are made up of different types of cells







Modern cell theory

- Rudolf Virchow modified the hypothesis of Schleiden and Schwann to give the cell theory a final shape.
- He first explained that cells divide and new cells are formed from the pre-existing cells (Omnis cellula e cellula).

CELL THEORY

All plants and animals are composed of cells and cell products

MODERN CELL THEORY

- All organisms are composed of cells and cell products
- All cells arise from pre-existing cells

RUDOLF VIRCHOW (1855)

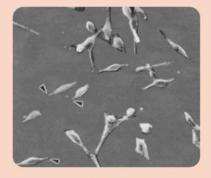
Omnis cellula e cellula

Viruses are an exception to cell theory!

- That is why viruses are known as acellular organisms.
- Viruses are microscopic pathogens that are considered neither dead nor alive.
- This is because they can only replicate inside a specific host organism.

Did you know?

The smallest cell



Mycoplasma

The largest



II

Ostrich egg

The longest cell



Nerve cell of giant squid



Classification of cells

Based on shape

- · Cells have diverse shapes.
- Shape of a cell can vary depending on the function.



Disc-shaped, biconcave RBC



Polygonal skin cells



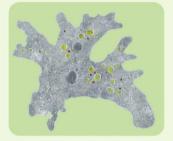
Columnar cells of large intestine



Cuboidal cells at the lining of salivary ducts



Thread-like neuron



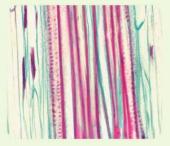
Irregular Amoeba



Amoeboid WBC



Round and oval mesophyll cells

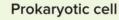


Elongated tracheids

Based on size

- Different types of cells have different sizes.
- The size of a cell can be as small as 0.3 μ m (*Mycoplasma*) and as large as 6 12 inches (*Caulerpa taxifolia*).







Virus 0.02 to 0.2 µm



Mycoplasma 0.3 or 0.1 μm



Bacterium 1 to 2 µm

Eukaryotic cell







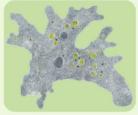
Based on number

Unicellular organisms

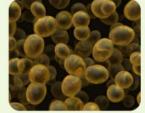
- These organisms are made up of a single cell.
- The cell can survive independently as a complete functional unit which is capable of respiration, excretion, etc.



Bacteria



Amoeba



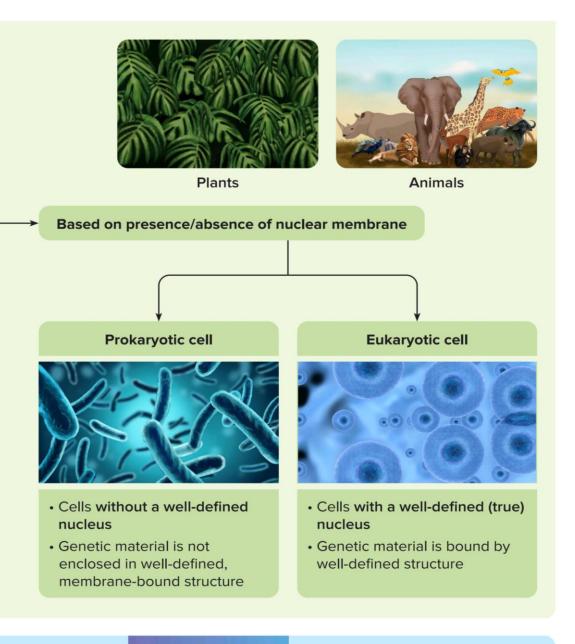
Unicellular fungi (Yeast)

Multicellular organisms

- These organisms are made up of more than one cell.
- Specialised cells perform different functions.
- These cells then interact with one another to maintain life.

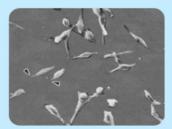






Prokaryotic Cells

- The word 'prokaryote' comes from the Greek word **prokaryon** that means **primitive nucleus.**
- The prokaryotic cells include bacteria (archaea and eubacteria), blue-green algae, Mycoplasma.
- They are generally smaller and multiply more rapidly than the eukaryotic cells.



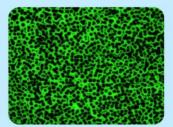
Mycoplasma (PPLO)



Eubacteria



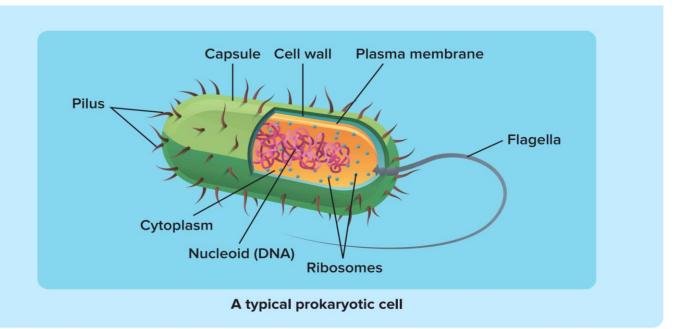
Archaebacteria



Cyanobacteria (Blue-green algae)

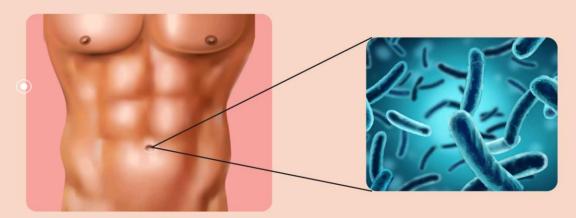








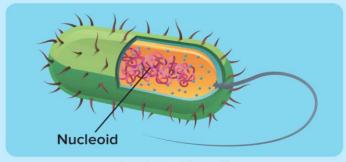
Did you know?



An average person has **67 different species of bacteria** in their belly button.

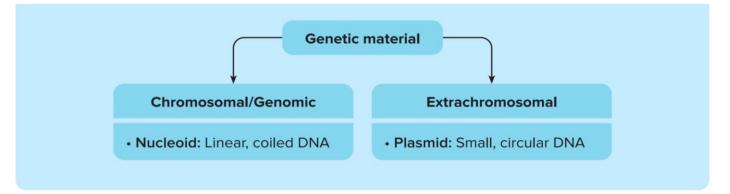
Nucleoid

 It is the irregularly shaped region containing the genetic material in prokaryotic cells.



Prokaryotic cell

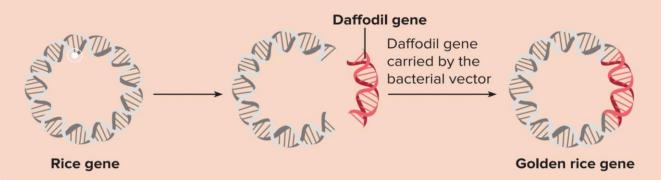






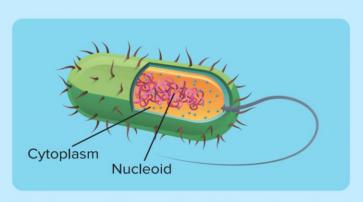
Did you know?

- (a) Plasmids are responsible for the antibiotic resistance observed in some bacteria.
- (b) Plasmids in genetic engineering
 - Plasmids are extensively used in genetic engineering to carry recombinant genes.
- For example, the gene responsible for Vitamin A production is acquired from the daffodil flower.
- It is inserted into the rice gene with the help of a bacterial vector (vehicle to carry foreign DNA).
- This results in the rice crop producing Vitamin A enriched rice grains which looks yellow in colour. Hence it is known as 'golden rice'.



Cytoplasm

- It is the **gel-like fluid matrix** inside the cell.
- · It consists of the following:
 - → Enzymes
 - → Nutrients
 - → Gases
 - → Plasmid and Nucleoid
 - → Storage bodies
 - → Other cell structures



Cytoplasm and its constituents in prokaryotic cell





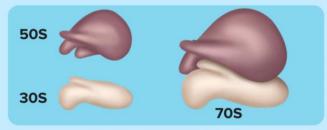


- Membrane-bound organelles are absent.
- Organelles without membranes are present.
 - → Ribosomes (70S type)
 - → Inclusion bodies

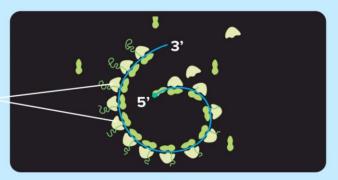
70S ribosomes

- They are made up of RNA and proteins.
- They are the sites of protein synthesis.
- They consist of 50S (large) and 30S (small) subunits.
- · Both of these subunits come together at the time of protein synthesis.
- · Ribosomes form a chain known as polyribosome or polysome to synthesize proteins.

Ribosomes



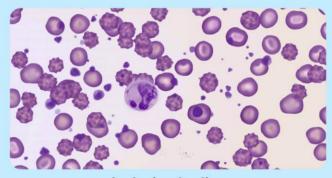
Prokaryotic ribosome



Polyribosome

Inclusion bodies

- They lie freely in cytoplasm (non-membrane bound).
- They store reserve material.



Inclusion bodies

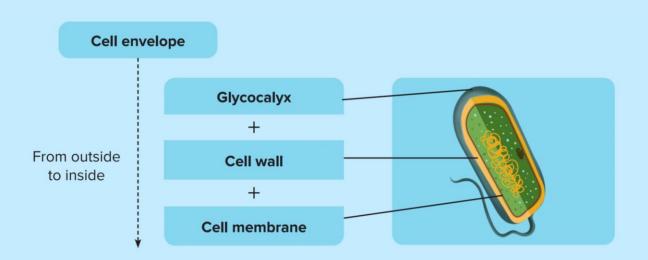
Cell envelope

- It is a complex, multilayered structure that covers the cell and is formed by the combination of cell membrane, cell wall, and the glycocalyx layer (from inside to outside).
- Each layer performs distinctive functions but together, they act as a single protective unit.



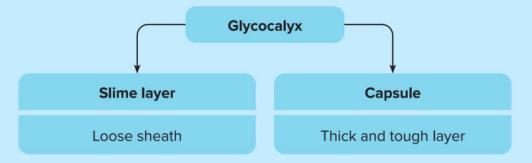






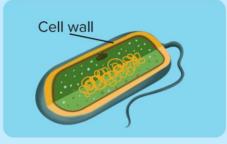
Glycocalyx

- It is the outermost layer of the cell envelope.
- It is composed of mostly carbohydrates along with proteins and lipids.
- It is present outside the outer membrane of gram-negative cells or the peptidoglycan layer of gram-positive cells.
- It helps to evade immune cells of the host.
- In bactoria, glycocalyx exists either as a slime layer or capsule.



Cell wall

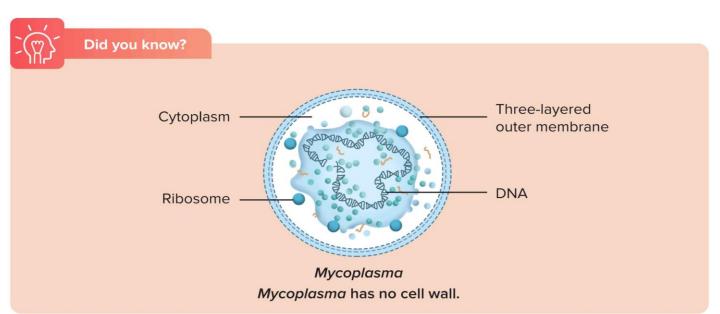
- It is composed of peptidoglycan: N-acetylglucosamine (NAG) and N-acetylmuramic acid (NAM).
- It provides shape and support to the cell.
- It prevents the cell from bursting or collapsing.



Cell wall of prokaryotic cell

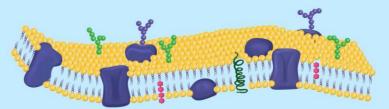






Cell membrane

- It is the innermost layer of the cell envelope.
- It is also known as plasma membrane.
 - (a) Fluid mosaic model
 - → Singer and Nicolson proposed the **fluid mosaic model** to explain the structure of the cell membrane.



Plasma membrane fluid mosaic model

→ The membrane is **quasi** (partly) **fluid** in nature.

→ It is fluid due to non-rigid fatty acid side chains. → The membranes are mosaic mostly due to **proteins.** Movement Lateral Flip-flop Seen in lipids and proteins Seen in lipids (more common) and proteins of the membrane · Occurs within the same monolayer · Slower than lateral movement More common Movement from one monolayer to the other

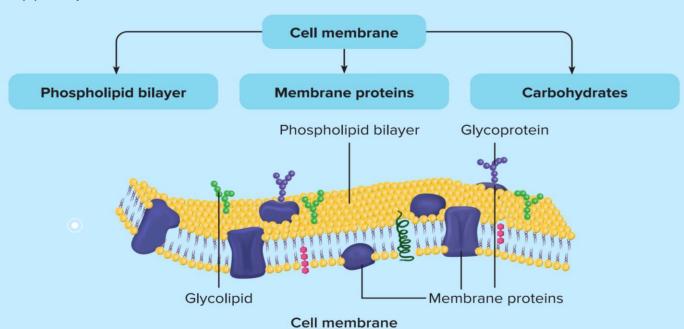






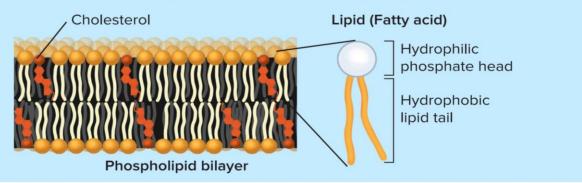
- → Fluid nature is important for the following:
 - Cell growth
 - Formation of intercellular junctions
 - Secretions
 - Endocytosis
 - Cell division
- The region between the plasma membrane and outer membrane (gram-negative bacteria) or cell wall (fungi and gram-positive bacteria) is known as the periplasmic space.
- The cell membrane is selectively permeable to some molecules present on either side of it.
- It is **similar** in both **eukaryotic** and **prokaryotic** organisms.

(b) Composition



(i) Phospholipid bilayer

- This layer is distinguished into the following:
 - → Polar (hydrophilic) phosphate heads: Facing outwards
 - → Non-polar (hydrophobic) lipid tails: Facing inwards
- It contains cholesterol molecules: Provides rigidity and stability
- The ratio of protein and lipid varies considerably in different cell types. For example, in human beings, the membrane of the erythrocyte has approximately 52% protein and 40% lipids.











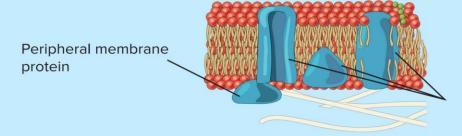
Transport across membrane proteins

Integral proteins

- Embedded partially or completely in membrane
- Cannot be easily removed from membrane
- Some integral proteins are known as tunnel proteins, transmembrane, or channel proteins because they help ions to pass across the membrane.

Peripheral proteins

- · Attached to the membrane surface
- Easily removable from membrane



Integral membrane proteins

Transport across membrane proteins

Passive transport

- Movement of neutral solutes along the concentration gradient
- By simple diffusion
- No energy utilised

(iii) Carbohydrates

- They are found on the exterior surface of the membrane.
- They are bound to proteins (glycoproteins) or lipids (glycolipids).
- · They function in cell signalling.

(c) Invaginations of cell membrane

- The inward movement of the wall of a tissue or cell to form a cavity is known as invagination.
- Mesosomes
 - They are special membranous invaginations of the cell membrane.
 - They form the vesicles, tubules, and lamellae (Lamella is a thin layer, membrane, or plate of tissue).

Active transport

- · Movement of non-polar solutes against the concentration gradient
- With the help of transporters such as Na⁺/K⁺ pump
- Energy dependent (ATP utilised)

Plasma membrane

Tubules

Vesicles

Mesosome

(It is a structure consisting of cytoplasm enclosed by a lipid bilayer)





- Functions of the mesosome:
 - Cell wall formation
 - DNA replication and distribution to daughter cells
 - Contains enzymes for aerobic respiration
 - Secretion of glycocalyx
 - Increases surface area of plasma membrane

Chromatophore

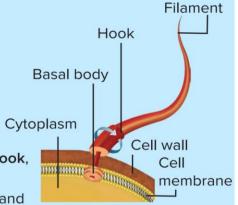
- It is pigment-containing membranous extension in some cyanobacteria (Nostoc).
- It is used to perform photosynthesis.



Nostoc

(d) Appendages of cell membrane

- Appendages are structures attached to the cell membrane.
- Flagella
 - It is present in motile bacteria.
 - It is made of protein flagellin.
 - It is the longest portion of the cell body.
 - Bacterial flagellum is composed of three parts: filament, hook, and basal body.
 - Basal body is present in the cell membrane and the hook and filament extend out from the basal body beyond the cell wall.



Flagella

Pilus

- It is not involved in motility.
- It is made of protein pilin.
- Function: Attachment during conjugation

Sex pilus Pilus

Bacteria

Fimbriae

- They are small, bristle-like fibres.
- They help in attachment to surfaces.
- Example: Bacterial fimbriae help in attachment to the rocks in streams and also to the host tissues.



Gram Staining

- Hans Christian devised a method to distinguish bacteria based on the differences they exhibit in their cell wall composition.
- His method is called **Gram staining**, also known as **Gram's method**.



Hans Christian







Steps for Gram staining

- Heat fixation of bacterial smear on the slide to affix the bacteria to the slide to avoid rinse out during the staining procedure
- Application of a primary stain (crystal violet)
- Addition of KI (potassium iodide) solution, which binds to crystal violet and traps it in the cell
- After staining, slide is washed with acetone or ethyl alcohol (rapid decolourisation)
- Counterstaining with safranin



All purple All purple G + ve = Purple G + ve = Purple G - ve = Colourless <math>G - ve = Pink



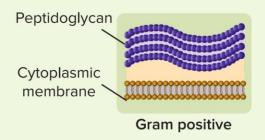


Gram positive

Gram negative

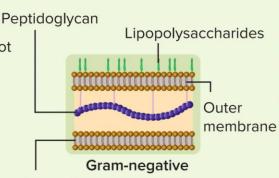
Gram-positive bacteria

- Gram-positive bacteria have a thicker cell wall made of peptidoglycan and are stained purple by crystal violet.
- They have simple, thick cell walls composed of a relatively large amount of peptidoglycan (50–90% of cell envelope).



Gram-negative bacteria

- Gram-negative bacteria have a thinner layer so they do not retain the purple stain and are counter-stained pink by safranin.
- They have less peptidoglycan (10% of cell envelope) and are more complex.
- They have a peptidoglycan layer surrounded by an outer membrane and a lipopolysaccharide layer.



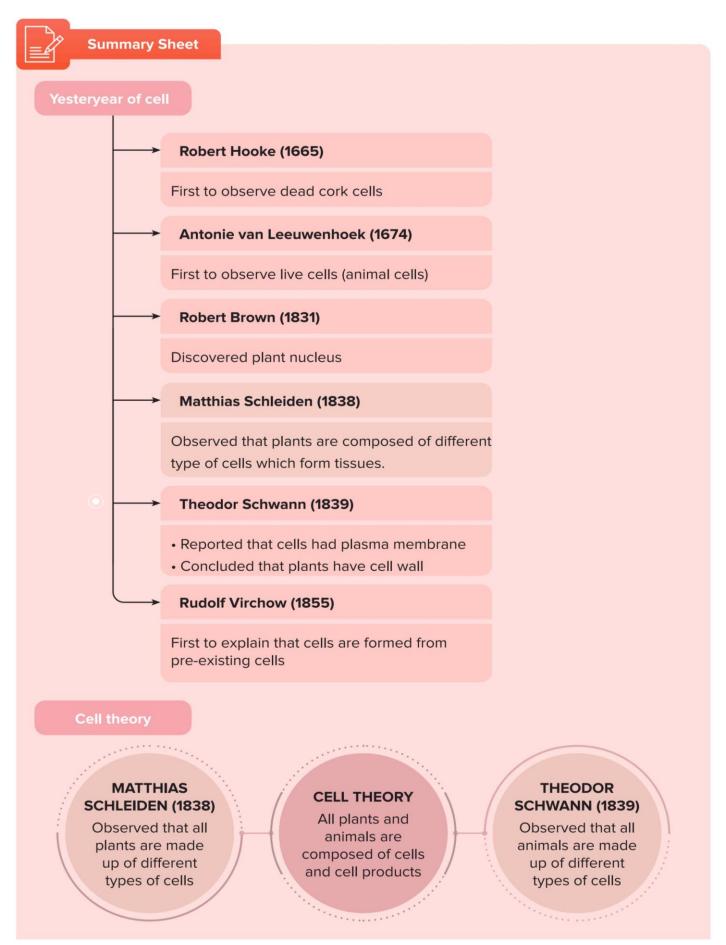
Cytoplasmic membrane

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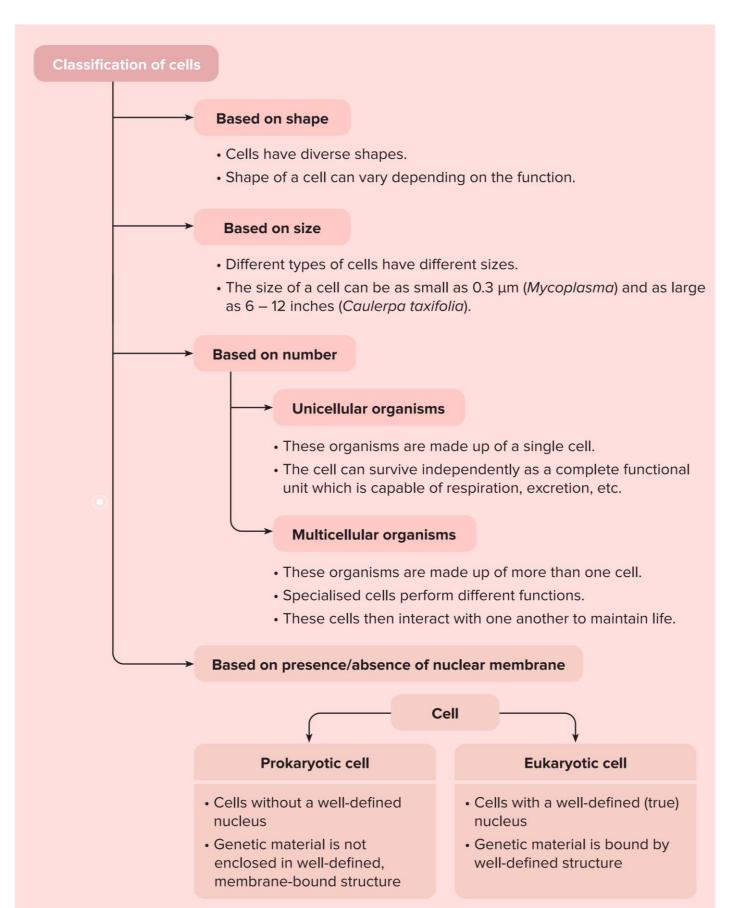










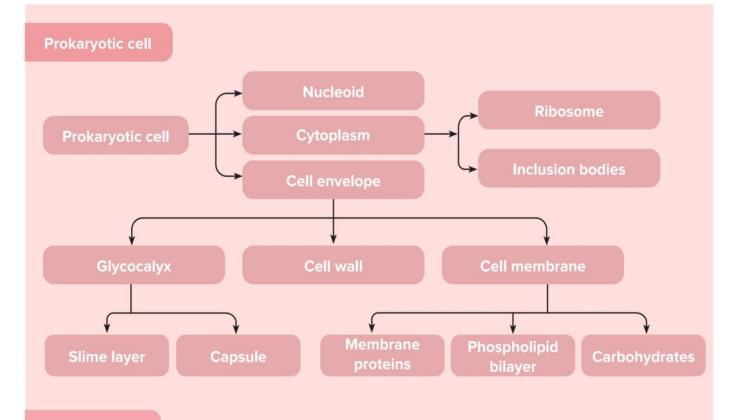


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<u> </u>	Gram-positive	Gram-negative
Cell wall	Thick	Thin
Staining	Purple	Pink
Peptidoglycan	Large (90%)	Less (10%)







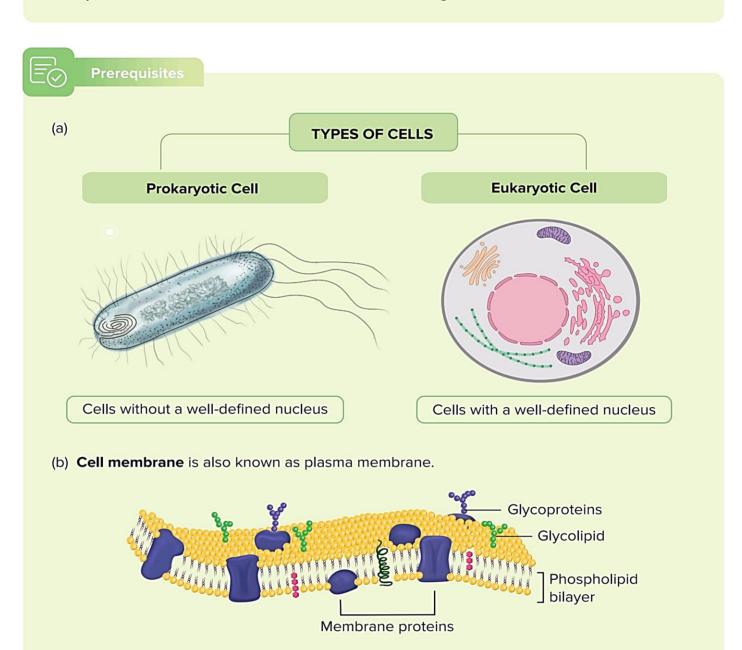


INTRODUCTION TO EUKARYOTIC CELL, CELL WALL, CYTOPLASM, CYTOSKELETON, CENTROSOME AND **CENTRIOLES, CILIA AND FLAGELLA**



- Characteristic features of eukaryotic cell
- Cell wall and its components
- Cytoskeleton

- Centrosome and Centrioles
- Cilia
- Flagella









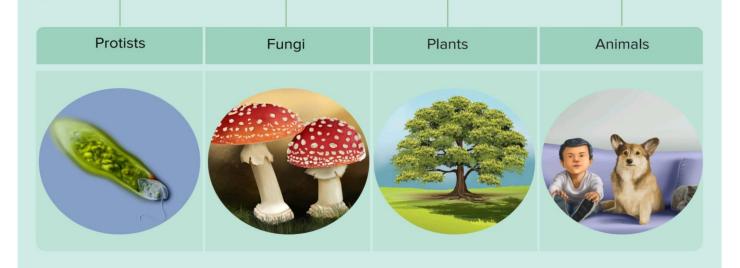
(c) Extensions of the cell membrane

Flagellum	Pilus	Fimbria
 It is present in motile bacteria. It is made up of flagellin protein. Its function is motility. 	 It is made up of pilin protein. Its function is attachment during conjugation. 	 It is a small bristle-like fibre. Its function is attachment to surfaces.
Filament Hook Basal Body Cytoplasm Cell Wall Cell membrane	Sex Pilus	Fimbrae

Eukaryotic Cell

It is a cell that has a well-defined (true) nucleus.

Eukaryotes (Organisms that are made up of eukaryotic cells)

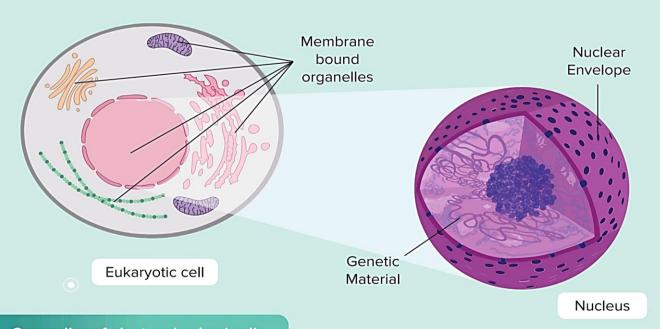






Characteristics

- The nucleus (that contains genetic material) is enclosed by a membrane known as the nuclear envelope.
- The cell is compartmentalised by the presence of membrane-bound structures known as **organelles**.
 - They are special **subunits** of the cell. Each organelle has a **specific function**.



Organelles of plant and animal cell

Organelles of the eukaryotic cell Lysosome Cytosol -Vacuole Nucleus -Peroxisome Endoplasmic Reticulum -Ribosomes -Cell membrane Centrosome Golgi Body-Cell Wall Mitochondria Cytoskeleton Chloroplast Animal cell Plant cell



Cell Wall of Eukaryotic Cells

- It is the **outer rigid**, **protective**, **supportive**, and **semi-transparent** covering of the **plant** and **fungal cells** (also seen in the cells of some protists).
- · It is absent in animal cells.
- It was first observed in cork cells by Robert Hooke in 1665.

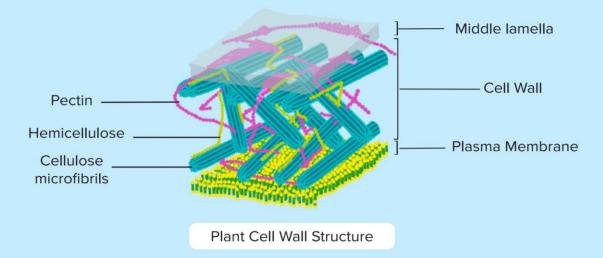
Composition of the cell wall

• It is mostly made up of carbohydrates known as **structural polysaccharides**.

Composition of the cell wall	ALGAE	CelluloseGalactansMannansMinerals like calcium carbonate
	PLANTS	CelluloseHemicellulosePectinsProteins
	FUNGI	• Chitin

Structure of the plant cell wall

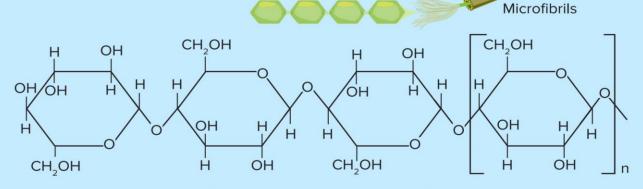
It consists of cellulose, hemicellulose, pectins, and proteins.







The smallest level of cellulose fibres are made up of thin, fine strands known as microfibrils. Microfibrils are made up of chains of cellulose molecules.



Chains of cellulose molecules

The plant cell wall is arranged in layers.

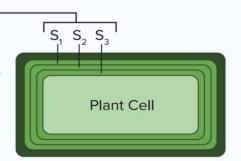
Primary cell wall -

- It is the **first-formed** wall of the cell.
- It is found in young plants.
- It is **thin** and **capable of extension**.
- It grows by intussusception (new wall
- components are added with the existing components).

Plant Cell

Secondary cell wall -

- It is found in mature cells.
- Laid in the inner-side of the primary cell wall.
- It is **thick** and usually made up of three or more layers.
- It grows by both intussusception and apposition (new wall components are layered on the inner surface of the wall)



Primary cell wall	Secondary cell wall
Hemicellulose : 50%	Hemicellulose : 25%
Lipids : 5 - 10% Proteins: 5%	Lipids and proteins in very low quantity or absent.
Universal	Absent in meristematic cells

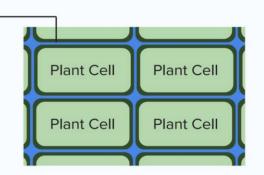






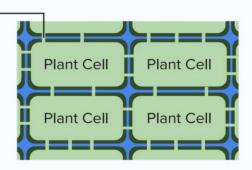
Middle Lamella -

- It is a thin amorphous, cementing layer between two adjacent cells.
- It is made up of calcium and magnesium pectates.
- It is the first layer that is deposited at the time of the cell division.



Plasmodesmata —

- These are **cytoplasmic bridges** between the adjacent plant cells.
- They develop in the minute pores of the walls.
- They help to **establish connections between** the cytoplasm of the adjacent cells.





Did you know?

Elephants consume food in large gulps because they are unable to chew it. While, about 60% of the food is digested, the rest is excreted in the form of fibrous excreta. The fibre that is excreted consists of the celluslose present in the cell walls of the plant cells. This is because the elephants cannot digest cellulose present in the food.



Functions of cell wall

- It **protects** the cell against the following:
 - Mechanical injury Attack of pathogens
- It provides **rigidity** and **shape** to the cell.
- It helps in maintaining cell-to-cell interactions.
- It serves as a barrier against undesirable macromolecules.
- Cutin and suberin deposition in the cell wall helps reduce the loss of water through transpiration.







Cell Membrane

- It is a thin membrane that covers the cell.
- It is found between the cell wall and cytoplasm in the plant cells.
- It forms the cell boundary in the animal cells.
- It is also known as the plasma membrane.
- It has a similar structure present in both prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells.
- It is **selectively permeable** to some molecules present on either side of it.
- It is described as a fluid mosaic model by Singer and Nicolson.
- It is best viewed under an electron microscope.

Cytoplasm

- It is a jelly-like, semi-fluid matrix that fills the cell.
- It is the main arena of cellular activities in both plants and animal cells.
- Various chemical reactions occur in it to keep the cell in the living state.

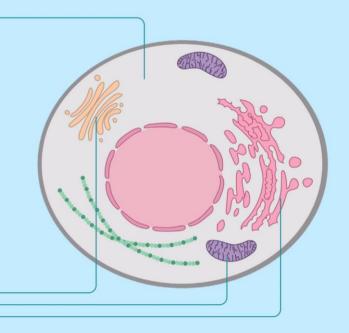
Cytoplasm (components)

Cytosol

- It is the clear fluid part of the cytoplasm.
- Water constitutes almost 90% of the cytosol.
- It consists of protein, lipids and inorganic salts.

Organelles

These are scattered in the cytosol.





Cytoskeleton

- It is an elaborate network of filamentous and proteinaceous structures present in the cytoplasm of cells.
- It consists of minute, fibrous, and tubular structures known as cytoskeletal elements.
- It forms the structural framework of the cell.

Functions

- It provides mechanical support and framework to the cell.
- · It helps in motility, i.e., movement of organelles within the cell.
- It maintains the shape of the cell.
- It helps in cell division.

Cytoskeletal Elements

Microfilaments

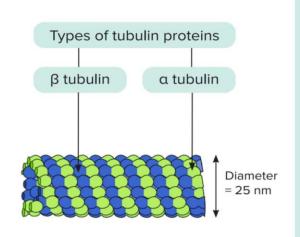
- They are the ultramicroscopic long, narrow cylindrical rods or protein filaments.
- They are the thinnest components of the cytoskeleton.
- They are made up of actin molecules and hence, are also known as actin filaments.
- They are contractile and help in cell movement.
- Association with myosin protein is essential for the contraction of microfilaments.

Beaded appearance due to helical arrangement of globular actin molecules



Microtubules

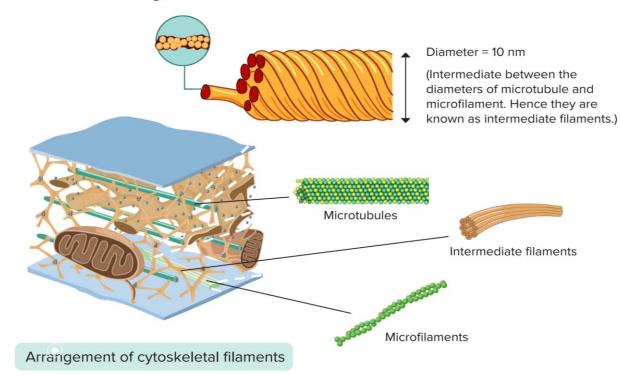
- They are unbranched, hollow, sub-microscopic tubules made of tubulin proteins.
- They are thickest of all the three cytoskeleton components.
- They have the ability to alter their length.
 - They increase in length by assembling the tubulin monomers.
 - They decrease in length by disassembling the tubulin monomers.
- The ability of microtubules to alter their length is very important for several functions carried out by the cell.





Intermediate filaments

- They are nearly solid, unbranched filaments.
- They are not directly involved in the cell movement and only contribute to the mechanical strength.



Centrosome and Centrioles

- The centrosome is made up of the cytoskeletal elements.
- · It is found only in the animal cells.
- It is usually found adjacent to the nucleus.
- It is made up of two cylindrical units known as centrioles.

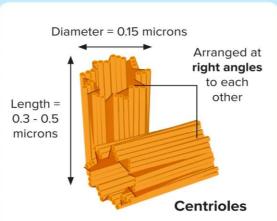






Centrioles

- They are minute, sub-microscopic microtubular cylinders having a configuration of nine triplet fibrils.
- They have the ability to form their own duplicates.
- They lie in a common specialised part of the cytoplasm known as the centrosphere.
- Pericentriolar (near the centrioles) material is a matrix of proteins in which the centrioles are embedded. It consists of proteins involved in the movement of organelles in the cell or transportation of chromosomes during the cell division.
- The centrosome is made up of the centrioles and centrosphere.



Structure of Centrioles

The transverse section of the centriole has a cartwheel-like appearance.

Peripheral fibrils (tubule)

Each centriole consists of a whorl of nine peripheral fibrils

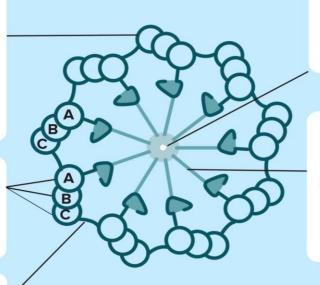
They are made up of **tubulin protein**.

Microtubule Triplets

Each fibril is made up of **three microtubules** (names as A, B and C)

Proteinaceous Linkers

They connect the adjacent triplets.



9 + 0 arrangement

9 peripheral No central tubules tubule

Hub

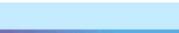
It is a rod-shaped proteinacious mass at the centre.

Spokes

These are nine proteinaceous strands connecting the hub and peripheral triplet fibrils.

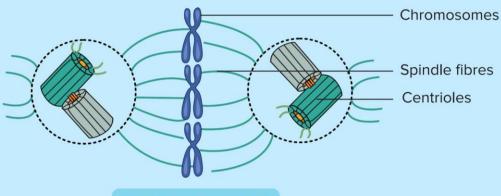






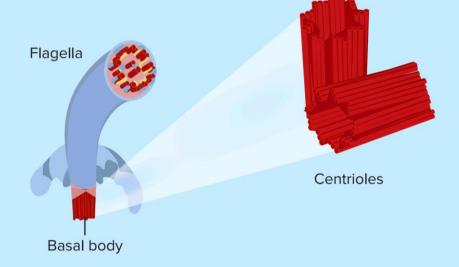
Function of Centrioles

 They form spindle fibres (in animal cells). These structures play an important role during the cell division.



Dividing Animal Cell

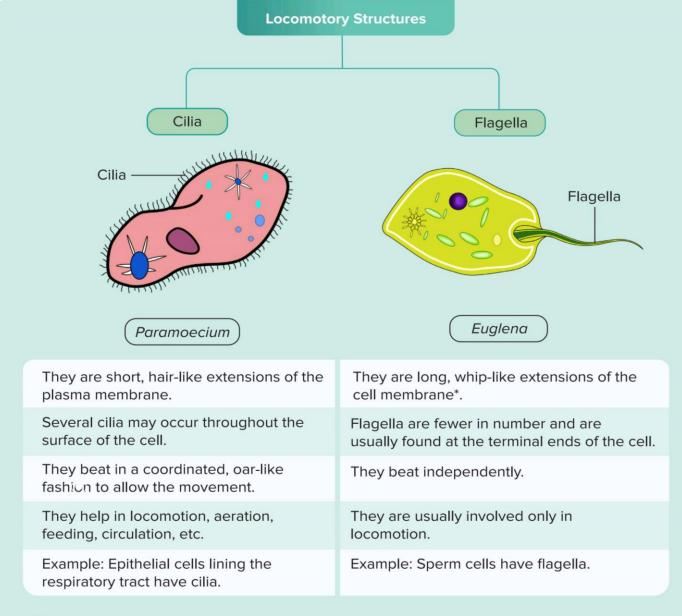
They form the basal body of cilia and flagella.









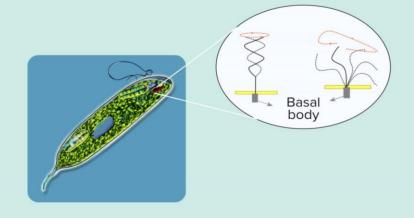


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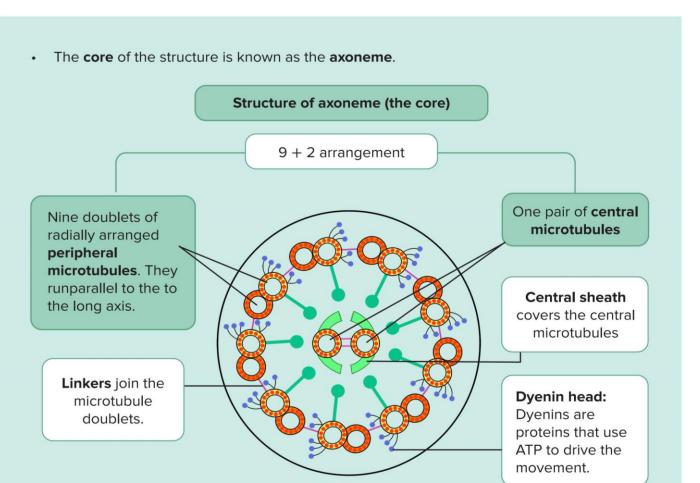
Flagella of prokaryotes and eukaryotes are structurally different. Eukaryotic flagella are made up of tubulin, whereas prokaryotic flagella are made up of flagellin.

Structure of cilia and flagella

- They are extensions of the plasma membrane. Hence, they are entirely covered by the plasma membrane.
- They arise from basal bodies. Basal bodies are cylindrical structures which contain nine triplet microtubules.









Summary sheet

Eukaryotic Cell (Has a well defined nucleus and membrane-bound organelles)

