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Chapter 6: A Tour of the Cell

Concept 6.1 To study cells, biologists use microscopes and the tools of biochemistry

1. The study of cells has been limited by their small size, and so they were not seen and described until 1665, when Robert Hooke first looked at dead cells from an oak tree. His contemporary, Anton van Leeuwenhoek, crafted lenses; and with the improvements in optical aids, a new world was opened. *Magnification* and *resolving power* limit what can be seen. Explain the difference.

Magnification: Ratio of actual size to visible size

Resolving power: Clarity

2. The development of electron microscopes has further opened our window on the cell and its organelles. What is considered a major disadvantage of the electron microscopes?

Cell dies in the process

3. Study the electron micrographs in your text. Describe the different types of images obtained from:

scanning electron microscopy (SEM)

Detail of surface textures (What it looks like)

transmission electron microscopy (TEM)

Detail of components (What makes up it)

4. In *cell fractionation*, whole cells are broken up in a blender, and this slurry is centrifuged several times. Each time, smaller and smaller cell parts are isolated. This will isolate different organelles and allow study of their biochemical activities. Which organelles are the smallest ones isolated in this procedure?

Ribosomes

Concept 6.2 Eukaryotic cells have internal membranes that compartmentalize their functions

5. Which two domains consist of prokaryotic cells?

Archaea, Bacteria

6. A major difference between prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells is the location of their DNA. Describe this difference.

Nucleoid for prokaryotic cells, Nucleus for eukaryotic, The dna is contained in a eukaryotic cell, Nucleoid is just the region where the dna is located in a prokaryote

7. On the sketch of a prokaryotic cell, label each of these features and give its function or description.

cell wall

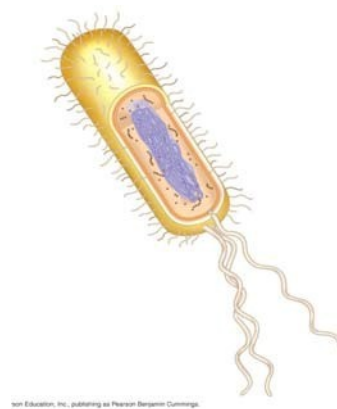
plasma membrane

bacterial chromosome

nucleoid

cytoplasm

flagella



8. Why are cells so small? Explain the relationship of surface area to volume.

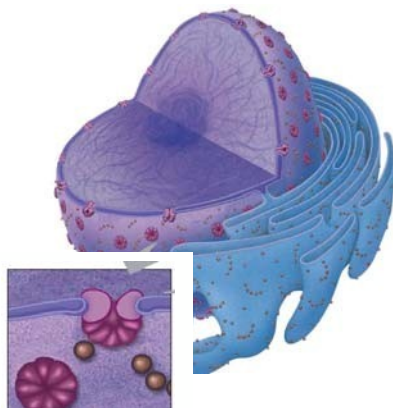
SA:V ratio decreases as volume increases. Greater SA:V ratio means more cellular respiration per volume used.

9. Describe how many neurons and intestinal cells each have greatly increased surface area.

Concept 6.3 The eukaryotic cell's genetic instructions are housed in the nucleus and carried out by the ribosomes

10. In the figure below, label the nuclear envelope, nuclear pores, and pore complex.

11. Describe the nuclear envelope. How many layers is it? What connects the layers?



Double lipid bilayer, consists of nuclear pores which allow RNA to pass through and connects the layers, nuclear envelope is consistent with E.R

12. What is the *nuclear lamina*? *Nuclear matrix*?

Nuclear lamina lines the nuclear envelope and is made up of a netlike array of protein filaments which maintains its shape. Nuclear matrix is a theoretical framework of fibers extending throughout the nuclear interior

13. Found within the nucleus are the *chromosomes*. They are made of *chromatin*. What are the two components of chromatin? When do the thin chromatin fibers condense to become distinct chromosomes?

DNA and Proteins. During cell division

14. When are the *nucleoli* visible? What are assembled here?

Ribosomal RNA are synthesized in the nucleoli along with ribosomes

15. What is the function of *ribosomes*? What are their two components?

To synthesize proteins, small ribosomal subunit which reads the RNA, and large subunit which joins amino acids to form a polypeptide chain

16. Ribosomes in any type of organism are all the same, but we distinguish between two types of ribosomes based on where they are found and the destination of the protein product made. Complete this chart to demonstrate this concept.

Type of Ribosome	Location	Product
<i>Free ribosomes</i>	Cytoplasm	Proteins used within the cytoplasmic compartment of the cell
<i>Bound ribosomes</i>	Attached to surface of E.R	Proteins that go everywhere else (endomembrane organelles, cell membrane and outside the cell)

Concept 6.4 The endomembrane system regulates protein traffic and performs metabolic functions in the cell

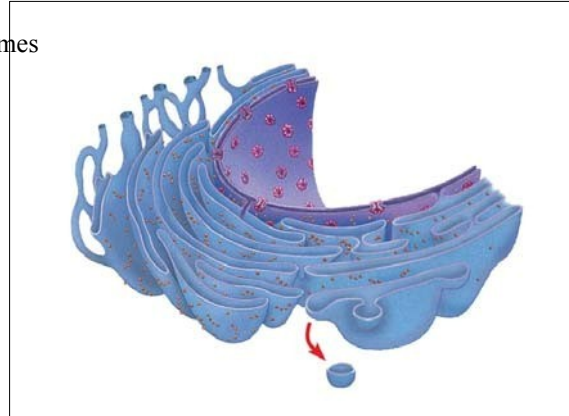
17. List all the structures of the endomembrane system.

The endomembrane system regulates protein traffic and performs metabolic functions in cells: Nuclear envelope, endoplasmic reticulum, golgi apparatus, plasma membrane, lysosomes, vesicles, vacuoles

18. The *endoplasmic reticulum (ER)* makes up more than half the total membrane system in many eukaryotic cells. Use this sketch to explain the *lumen*, *transport vesicles*, and the difference between *smooth* and *rough ER*.

Lumen:

Rough ER: Produces proteins, studded with ribosomes



19. List and describe three major functions of the smooth ER.

Assists in the synthesis of steroid hormones, like sex hormones, and of other lipids
Stores Calcium (Ca^{++}) ions in muscle cells to facilitate normal muscle contractions
Detoxifies drugs and poisons from the body

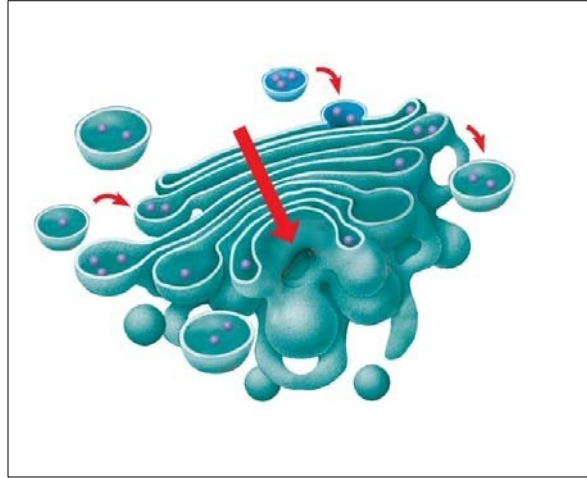
20. Why does alcohol abuse increase tolerance to other drugs such as barbiturates?

21. The rough ER is studded with ribosomes. As proteins are synthesized, they are threaded into the lumen of the rough ER. Some of these proteins have carbohydrates attached to them in the ER to form *glycoproteins*. What does the ER then do with these secretory proteins?

22. Besides packaging secretory proteins into transport vesicles, what is another major function of the rough ER?

23. The transport vesicles formed from the rough ER fuse with the Golgi apparatus. Use this sketch to label the *cisterna* of the Golgi apparatus, and its *cis* and *trans* faces. Describe what happens to a transport vesicle and its contents when it arrives at the Golgi.

The vesicles surrounding the flattened membranous sacs of the Golgi process and package substances produced in the rough endoplasmic reticulum and secrete the substances to other parts of the cell or to the cell surface for export



24. What is a *lysosome*? What do they contain? What is their pH?

Intracellular digestion sacs. Sacs of hydrolytic enzymes surrounded by a single membrane. 4.8 pH (cytosol is 7.2)

25. One function of lysosomes is intracellular digestion of particles engulfed by *phagocytosis*. Describe this process of digestion. What human cells carry out phagocytosis?

Phagocytosis is a method of endocytosis where a cell engulfs a solid particle to form an internal vesicle known as a phagosome. The phagosome then combines with a lysosome which allows the hydrolytic enzymes to break down the engulfed particle.

26. A second function of lysosomes is to recycle cellular components in a process called *autophagy*. Describe this process.

The cell continually renews itself by breaking down and recycling cellular components.

27. What happens in Tay-Sachs disease? Explain the role of the lysosomes in Tay-Sachs.

28. There are many types of vacuoles. Briefly describe:

food vacuoles: Formed by the
phagocytosis of foreign material

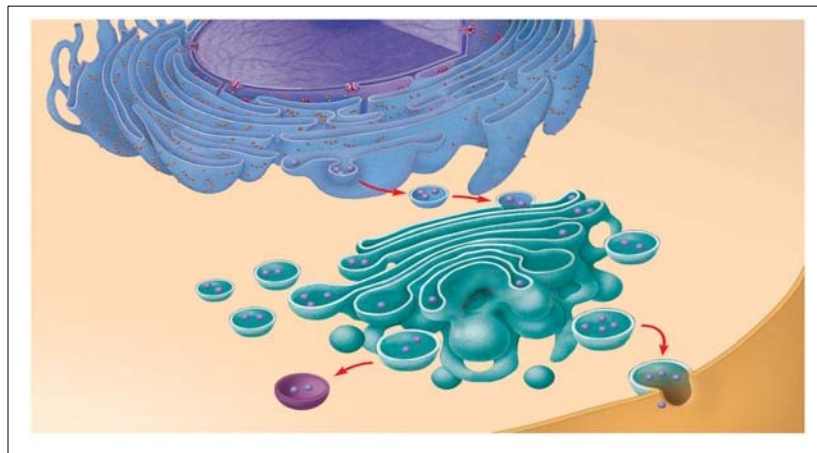
contractile vacuoles: Pumps
out excess water

central vacuoles in

plants:

(give at least three functions/materials stored here)

29. Use this figure to explain how the elements of the endomembrane system function together to secrete a protein and to digest a cellular component. Label as you explain.



Concept 6.5 Mitochondria and chloroplasts change energy from one form to another

30. Mitochondria and chloroplasts are not considered part of the endomembrane system, although they are enclosed by membranes. Sketch a mitochondrion here and label its *outer membrane*, *inner membrane*, *inner membrane space*, *cristae*, *matrix*, and *ribosomes*.

31. Now sketch a chloroplast and label its *outer membrane*, *inner membrane*, *inner membrane space*, *thylakoids*, *granum*, and *stroma*. Notice that the mitochondrion had two membrane compartments, while the chloroplast has three compartments.

32. What is the function of the mitochondria?

Site of cellular respiration, produces ATP for the cell

33. What is the function of the chloroplasts?

To synthesize sugar through absorption of light (which happens by chlorophyll and enzymes)

34. Recall the relationship of structure to function. Why is the inner membrane of the mitochondria highly folded? What role do all the individual thylakoid membranes serve? (Same answer for both questions.) Chloroplasts and mitochondria both have ribosomes and their own DNA. You will learn later about their evolution, but for now hold onto these facts. They are semiautonomous organelles that grow and reproduce within the cell. And you're lucky today—there is not a question here!

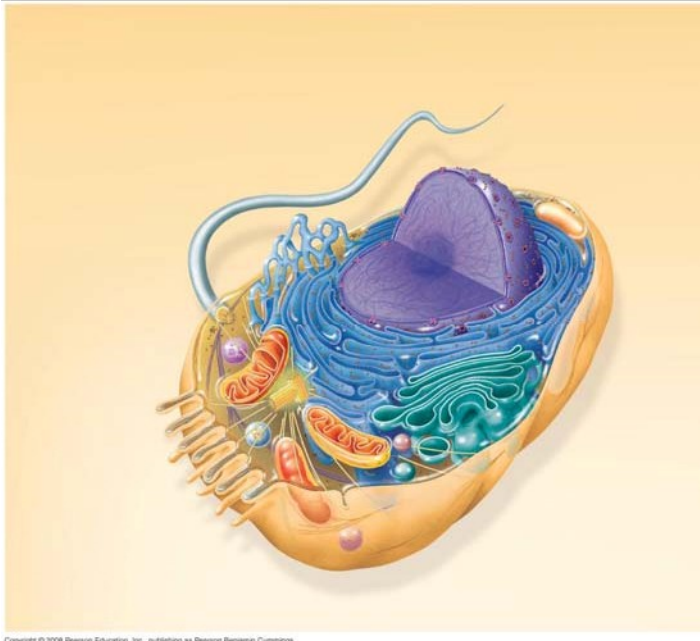
The reason they have highly folded inner membranes is because it allows for greater import and export of produced goods

35. Explain the important role played by *peroxisomes*.

Contains catalase which converts hydrogen peroxide (a waste product of cellular respiration) into water with the release of oxygen atoms. Detoxifies alcohol in liver cells.

SUMMARY

On these diagrams of plant and animal cells, label *each* organelle and give a brief statement of its function.



Concept 6.6 The cytoskeleton is a network of fibers that organizes structures and activities in the cell

36. What is the *cytoskeleton*?

Complex mesh of protein filaments that extends throughout the cytoplasm

37. What are the three roles of the cytoskeleton?

Maintains Cell shape

Controls position of organelles within the cell by anchoring them to the plasma membrane

Involved with the flow of the cytoplasm, known as cytoplasmic streaming

Anchors the cells in place by interacting with extracellular elements

38. There are three main types of fibers that make up the cytoskeleton. Name them.

Actin or Myosin filaments (or even microfilaments) , Microtubules, Intermediate filaments

39. *Microtubules* are hollow rods made of a globular protein called tubulin. Each tubulin protein is a dimer made of two subunits. These are easily assembled and disassembled. What are four functions of microtubules?

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They make up cilia and flagella which move the cell from one place to another (9+2)

They make up spindle fibers which help separate chromosomes during mitosis and meiosis (9+0) 9 triplets

Flagella in prokaryotes are not made up of microtubules

40. Animal cells have a *centrosome* that contains a pair of *centrioles*. Plant cells do not have centrioles. What is another name for centrosomes? What is believed to be the role of centrioles?

Microtubule organizing centers (MTOCs) is another name for centrosomes in animal cells only. Centrioles are involved in organizing microtubules in the cytoplasm. The position of the centriole determines the position of the nucleus and plays a crucial role in the spatial arrangement of the cell

41. Describe the organization of microtubules in a centriole. Make a sketch here that shows this arrangement in cross section.

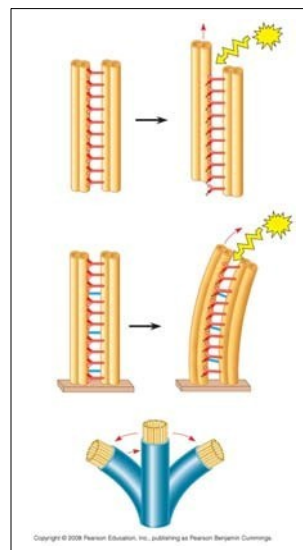
9 triplets of microtubules arranged in a circle

42. *Cilia* and *flagella* are also composed of microtubules. The arrangement of microtubules is said to be “9 + 2.” Make a sketch of a cross section here.

43. *Compare and contrast* cilia and flagella. (This is a specific instruction that means you are to tell how they are alike—compare—and tell how they are different—contrast. Remember this hint when you see a similar phrase on an exam.) One to eight flagellum are typically on one cell, while hundreds of cilia can be found on one cell. Cilia are only found in eukaryotic cells, while flagella can be found on prokaryotes and eukaryotes

Structurally similar, made up of microtubules. Different in the composition of microtubules (9+3, 9+2), flagella undulates, cilia has a power and recovery stroke.

44. How do motor proteins called *dyneins* cause movement of cilia? What is the role of ATP in this movement? This figure might help you explain.



45. *Microfilaments* are solid, and they are built from a double chain of *actin*. What are four functions of microfilaments? What are the motor proteins that move the microfilaments?
46. *Intermediate filaments* are bigger than microfilaments but smaller than microtubules. They are more permanent fixtures of cells. Give two functions of intermediate filaments.

Concept 6.7 Extracellular components and connections between cells help coordinate cellular activities

47. What are three functions of the *cell wall*?

Keeping a plant cell from exploding...helping it keep its shape, passage of nutrients from one plant cell to another, protects plant cell, prevents excessive water uptake

48. What is the composition of the cell wall?

Cellulose and proteins, it varies from cell type

49. What is the relatively thin and flexible wall secreted first by a plant cell?

Primary Cell wall

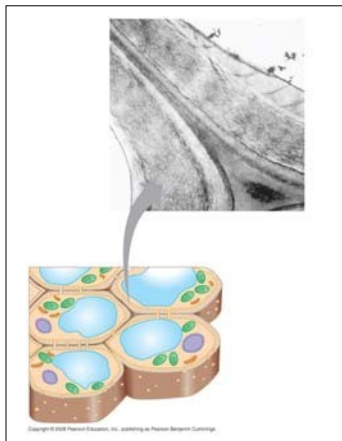
50. What is the *middle lamella*? Where is it found? What material is it made of?

The thin wall gluing two adjacent cells together. It is made of pectin which glues adjacent cells together. Pectin is made out of sticky polysaccharides

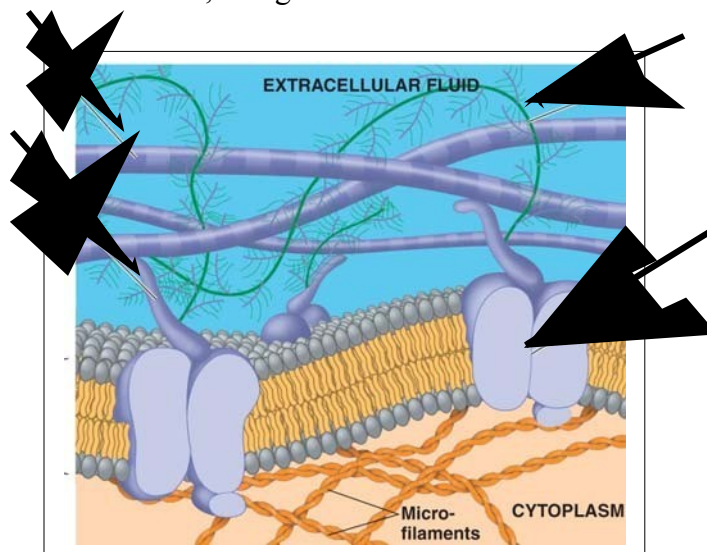
51. Explain the deposition of a *secondary cell wall*.

Deposited in several laminated layers, it has a strong and durable matrix that affords the cell protection and support. Wood is an example

52. On the sketch, label the *primary cell wall*, *secondary cell wall*, *middle lamella*, *cytosol*, *plasma membrane*, *central vacuole*, and *plasmodesmata*.



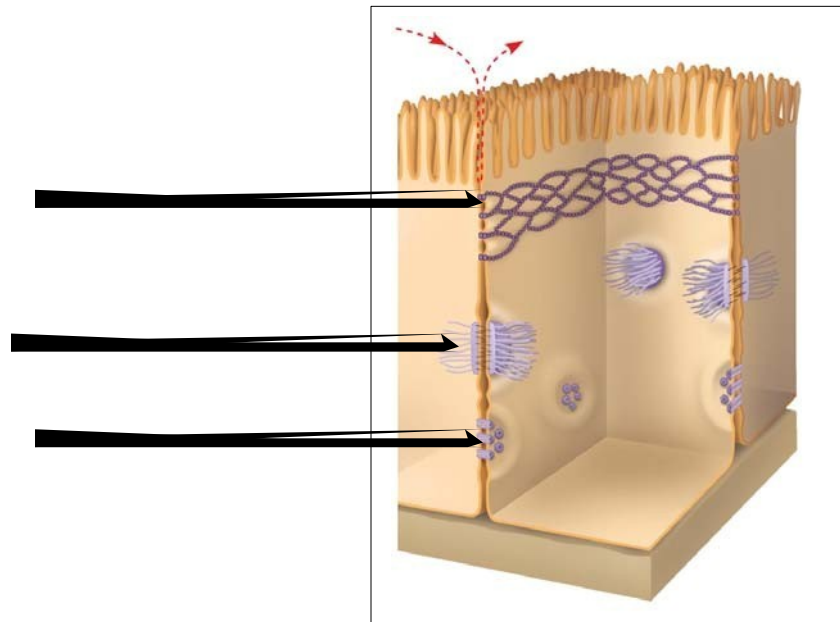
53. Animal cells do not have cell walls, but they do have an extracellular matrix (ECM). On this figure, label the elements indicated, and give the role of each.



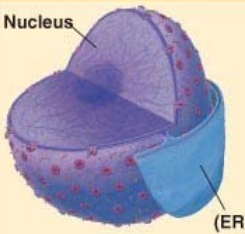
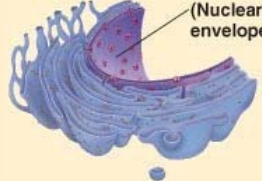
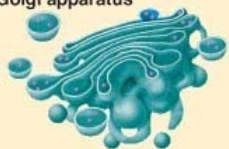
54. What are the intercellular junctions between plant cells? What can pass through them?

Plasmodesmata, cytosol

55. Animals cells do not have *plasmodesmata*. This figure shows the three types of intercellular junctions seen in animal cells. Label each type and summarize its role.



Gap junctions: Cytoplasmic channels
 Desmosomes: Holds cell in place, however can let water and ions through
 Tight Junctions: Watertight seal, nothing gets through
 Here's a great chart to summarize three concepts—study it!

	Cell Component	Structure	Function
Concept 6.3 The eukaryotic cell's genetic instructions are housed in the nucleus and carried out by the ribosomes	Nucleus 	Surrounded by nuclear envelope (double membrane) perforated by nuclear pores. The nuclear envelope is continuous with the endoplasmic reticulum (ER).	Houses chromosomes, made of chromatin (DNA, the genetic material, and proteins); contains nucleoli, where ribosomal subunits are made. Pores regulate entry and exit of materials.
	Ribosome 	Two subunits made of ribosomal RNA and proteins; can be free in cytosol or bound to ER	Protein synthesis
Concept 6.4 The endomembrane system regulates protein traffic and performs metabolic functions in the cell	Endoplasmic reticulum 	Extensive network of membrane-bound tubules and sacs; membrane separates lumen from cytosol; continuous with the nuclear envelope.	Smooth ER: synthesis of lipids, metabolism of carbohydrates, Ca^{2+} storage, detoxification of drugs and poisons Rough ER: Aids in synthesis of secretory and other proteins from bound ribosomes; adds carbohydrates to glycoproteins; produces new membrane
	Golgi apparatus 	Stacks of flattened membranous sacs; has polarity (<i>cis</i> and <i>trans</i> faces)	Modification of proteins, carbohydrates on proteins, and phospholipids; synthesis of many polysaccharides; sorting of Golgi products, which are then released in vesicles.
	Lysosome 	Membranous sac of hydrolytic enzymes (in animal cells)	Breakdown of ingested substances, cell macromolecules, and damaged organelles for recycling
	Vacuole 	Large membrane-bounded vesicle in plants	Digestion, storage, waste disposal, water balance, cell growth, and protection
Concept 6.5 Mitochondria and chloroplasts change energy from one form to another	Mitochondrion 	Bounded by double membrane; inner membrane has infoldings (cristae)	Cellular respiration
	Chloroplast 	Typically two membranes around fluid stroma, which contains membranous thylakoids stacked into grana (in plants)	Photosynthesis
	Peroxisome 	Specialized metabolic compartment bounded by a single membrane	Contains enzymes that transfer hydrogen to water, producing hydrogen peroxide (H_2O_2) as a by-product, which is converted to water by other enzymes in the peroxisome

Testing Your Knowledge: Self-Quiz Answers

Now you should be ready to test your knowledge. Place your answers here:

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