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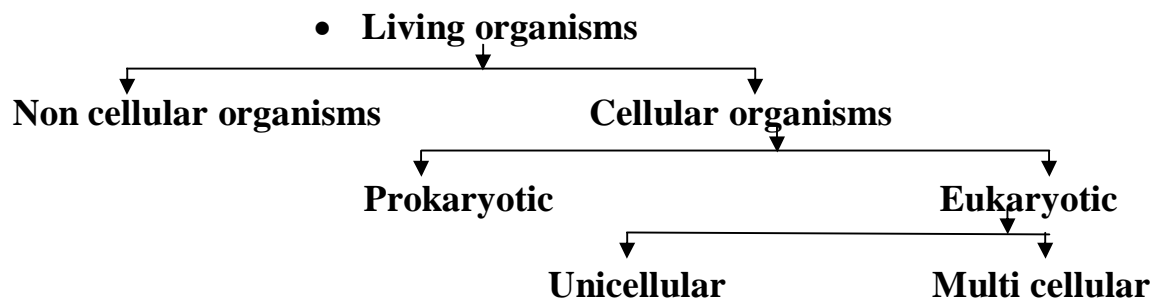
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- **The fundamental Unit of Life .**

SUMMARY

- **Cell** – It is the structural and fundamental unit of living organisms.
- **Discovery of Cell** – Cell was discovered by Robert Hook (1665). He took a thin slice of cork and named small boxes present in it as cell.
- **Anton van Leeuwenhoek** observed the first living cell as bacterial cell.
- **Cell Theory** – It was proposed by Jacob Matthias Schleiden and Theodor Schwann.
- **Main points of cell theory** –
 - a. All organisms are composed of cells.
 - b. New cells arise from pre-existing cells.
 - c. Cell is the structural and functional unit of living organisms.
 - d. Every organism – Starts its life from a single cell living organisms.



- **Prokaryotes** –
 - a. Unicellular
 - b. Smaller in size
 - c. Lack of membrane bounded organelles
 - d. Lack of well defined nucleusEx. – Bacteria , Spirogyra etc.
- **Eukaryotes** –
 - a. Unicellular / Multi cellular
 - b. Larger in size

c. Membrane bounded organelles present

d. Well defined nucleus is present

Ex. – Amoeba , Hydra etc.

• **Shape of cell – Variable**

• **Size of cell –**

Prokaryotes – From 1 to 10 μ m (appr)

The smallest cell in Human beings – RBC

The largest cell in Human beings – OVUM

The largest cell in Human Beings – Nerve cell

• **Functional Region of cell –**

a. Cell membrane , cell wall

b. The nucleus

c. The cytoplasm

A. The cell membrane –

It is made up of phospholipids –

Function –

- It helps in exchange of materials.
- Gaseous exchanges take place by diffusion.
- Exchange of water take place by osmosis.
- It protects the cell.
- It gives definite shape.
- It helps in movement.

Cell wall – Present in plant cell.

Function

- It is made of cellulose.
- It helps in exchange of materials.
- It provides rigidity.
- It protects the cell.

- **Diffusion** – The process of intermixing of substances from higher concentration to lower concentration is called diffusion.
- **Osmosis** – The movement of water molecules through a semi permeable membrane is called osmosis.
- **Types of osmosis** –
 - a. Endosmosis – Entrance of water molecules into the cell.
 - b. Exosmosis – exit of water molecules from cell to surrounding.
- **Plasmolysis** – The process of contraction of the contents of the cell away from the cell wall due to exosmosis is called plasmolysis.

B. The nucleus – It was discovered by Robert Brown.

- **Nucleus consists following parts** –
 - a. **Nuclear membrane** – It helps in exchange of materials between nucleoplasm and cytoplasm.
 - b. **Chromatin material** – These are thread like entangled materials.
 - Chromosome is made up of DNA and protein.
 - Chromosomes carry genes which are responsible for inheritance.
 - c. **Nucleoplasm** - Viscous fluid containing important materials.
 - d. **Nucleolus** – Protein synthesis.

C. The cytoplasm – Viscous fluid surrounded by cell membrane. It contains many organelles.

- **Protoplasm** – cytoplasm containing nucleus is called protoplasm. It consists essential materials that support life.
- **Important cell Organelles** –
 1. **Endoplasmic reticulum** –
 - It is a network of membrane bound tubes and sheets.
 - It has two types of surfaces
 - _ RER – It synthesises protein
 - _ SER – It synthesises Lipid
 2. **Golgi apparatus** – It is membrane – bounded fluid filled vesicles.
 - It involves in the formation of vacuoles lysosomes et.
 - It involves in the storage, processing and packaging of materials.

3. Lysosome –

- It is also known as suicidal bog of the cell.
- It consists digestive enzymes.

4. Mitochondria – It produces energy by cellular respiration so, it is also called power home of the cell.

- It stores energy in the form of ATP so ATP is known as energy currency of the cell.

5. Plastids – It is only present in plant cells.

Types of plastids –

- a. Chromoplast – Provides other than green colour.
- b. Chloroplast – Provides green colour .
- c. Leucoplast – storage of food it is colourless pigment.

6. Vacuols – It consists essential substances. Plant cell consists single large vacuole. Membrane of vacuole is called tonoplast and fluid is called cell sap.

7. Centrosome – it is only present animal cell. It involves in division.

Cell division.

The process by which new cell is made is called cell division.

Type of cell division –

A. Mitosis – it is found in somatic cells.

- Number of chromosome is equal to parental cell.
- Two daughter cells are produced.

B. Meiosis – It is found in reproductive cell.

- Number of chromosome in daughter cells is half of parental cell.
- Four daughter cells are produced.
