

Chp # 1

→ Short qna :

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Q2- What is the difference between the resolution and magnification of light microscope and electron microscope.

Answer :

Light Microscope

Electron Microscope

Magnification

- It has 1500 x magnification.
- It has 1 to 50 times magnification.

Resolution

- It has low resolution than electron microscope.
- It has high resolution than light microscope.

illuminating

- It uses light (400-700)nm as an illuminating source.
- It uses electron beam (1nm) as an illuminating source.

Q3- Name three organelles revealed by an electron microscope -

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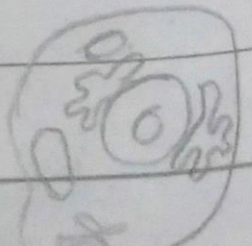
Ans :

The organelles that are revealed by electron microscope are :

- ① cytoplasm : it is a gel like substance - and holds structure in place - EM provides clear view
- ② Plastids : Such as chloroplast in plants, responsible for photosynthesis -
- ③ Mitochondria : power house of the cell - they produce energy necessary for cellular process -

Q4- why cell wall is not present in animal cells ?

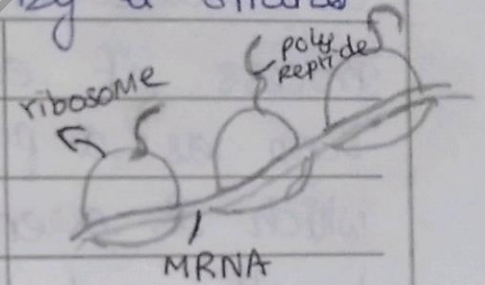
Cell wall is not present in animal cell because animal cell have different structural and functional needs. the absence of a cell wall allows for greater flexibility, movement and adaptability in their functions -



Q5- What holds the ribosomes together in a polysome?

Answer :

In a polysome, ribosomes are held together by a strand of (mRNA). When a single mRNA molecule is translated by a strand of multiple ribosomes, it forms a structure called polysome. Ribosomes attach to the mRNA at specific sites.



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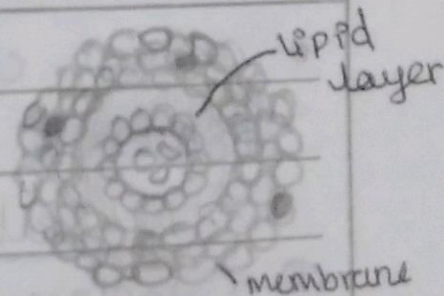
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Q6- What would happen if there would be no lysosome in human cells?

Answer :

The absence of lysosomes would severely disrupt cellular homeostasis, waste management, and

immune response, ultimately jeopardizing the overall health of the organism. It can lead to potential diseases and disorders. eg: Tay Sachs disease



Q1- Why lysosomes are called suicidal bags?

Answer :

Lysosomes are known as suicidal bags because they contain digestive enzymes that can breakdown various biomolecules. They do the process of autophagy. This process can be seen as a process of programmed cell death which is essential for maintaining overall cellular health and homeostasis.

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Q8- Name the structures and organelles which are common in

- animal cell
- plant cell
- prokaryotic cell

Answer :

- ① Cell membrane : All three types have it
- ② Cytoplasm : The jelly like substance.
- ③ Ribosomes : site of protein, may differ in size
- ④ DNA : genetic material
- ⑤ Cytoskeleton : provides structure and support.

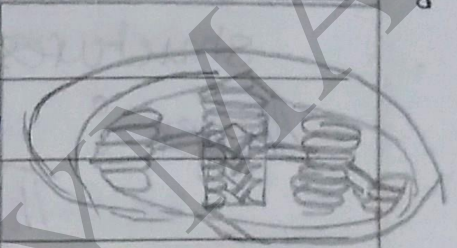
Q9- How is chloroplast similar to a bacterium?

Answer :

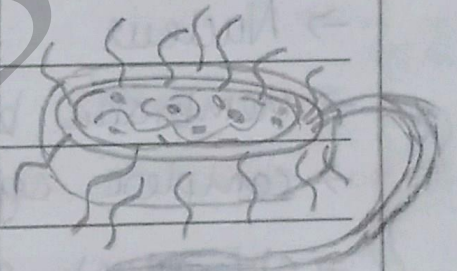
Chloroplast is similar to bacterium

in some key ways :

- They likely originated from bacteria.
- Both have double membrane
- Both have circular DNA
- They have similar ribosomes
- Both reproduce independently
- They have their own DNA



→ Chloroplast



→ bacterium

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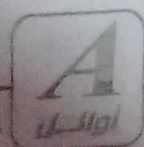
Q10 - Name the organelles of eukaryotic cell and write their specific functions -

Answers :

Mitochondria - Breakdown sugar into energy for the cell - (ATP)

Chloroplast - Uses light energy to make food for plant cells -

Nucleus - it is the control centre of the cell - it is responsible for regulating gene expression and cell division.

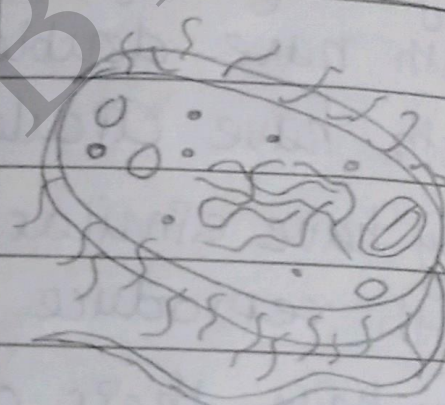


Q11- what are prokaryotic cells? List the structures missing in prokaryotic cells.

Answer :

They are simple, unicellular organisms without some structures like :

- Nucleus
- membrane bound organelles
- complex cytoskeleton
- chloroplast or centrioles



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Q12- what organelles are single double and lacking any membrane?

Answer :

single membrane	no membrane	double membrane	single
ER	Ribosomes	Nucleus	double
golgi apparatus	Cytoskeleton	Mitochondria	double
Lysosomes	Centrioles	chloroplasts	double
Peroxisomes	Proteasomes		no-membrane



Q13- Compare the chemical composition of nucleoplasm with that of cytoplasm.

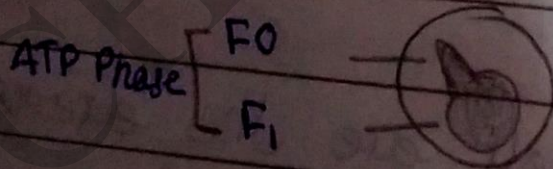
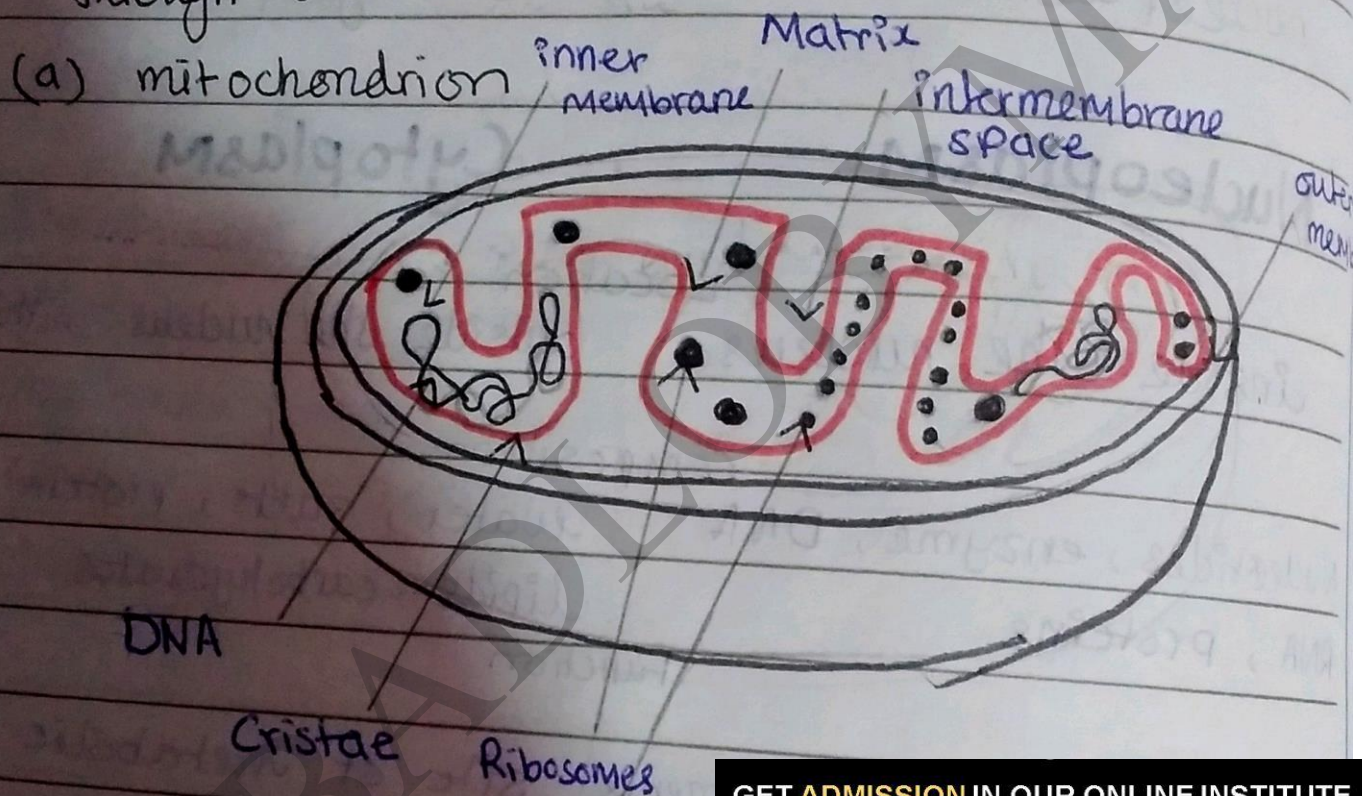
Nucleoplasm	Cytoplasm
Location inside the nucleus	Location outside the nucleus, within cell membrane
Composition Nucleotides, enzyme, DNA RNA, proteins	Composition Water, salts, protein lipids, carbohydrates
Function Supports nuclear components site of DNA and RNA	Function site of metabolic process, supports organelles

Q14- Explain the nucleoli are the areas where ribosomes are assembled -

Answer :

the nucleoli serve as assembly sites for ribosomes, bringing together rRNA and ribosomal proteins to create the machinery needed for protein synthesis in the cell.

Q15- Draw a labelled diagram of a section through :



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(b) chloroplast

outer membrane

chloroplast DNA

Lamella

Thylakoid

Ribosome

granum

inner membrane

stroma

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Q16- Write the difference between :

Magnification

Resolution

Defination

- The process of enlarging the appearance of an object
- The ability to distinguish fine details in an image

purpose

- increase the size compared to actual obj size
- allows the identification of small features

effect

- does not necessarily improve the level of detail
- higher resolution results in clearer view

Measurement

- often represented as a ratio (10 times the size of the obj)
- Usually quantified in terms of pixels or smallest point b/w to points

(b) plant cell wall and bacterial cell wall.

Plant cell wall

bacterial cell wall

Composition

- Made primarily of cellulose a carbohydrate that provides structural support.
- composed mainly of peptidoglycan, a polymer consisting sugar and amino acid.

Function

- Provides support, protection and maintain cell shape involved in preventing excessive water uptake.
- Protects the bacterium maintains its shape and prevents osmotic lysis.

permeability

- Semi-permeable, allowing passage of water, gases and some dissolved substances.
- its permeability can be selective

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(c) cytoplasm of eukaryotic and prokaryotic cell -

eukaryotic

Prokaryotic

structure

◦ gel like substance
it contains cytosol and
organelles

◦ gel like substance
contains cytosol but
lacks organelles.

complexity

◦ it is more complex
with highly organized
structure.

◦ it is simpler
with fewer internal
organelles.

Nucleoid

◦ The cytoplasm surrounds
the nucleus it is
the house of genetic
material

◦ in this the genetic
material is present
located in nucleoid
not enclosed in membrane

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(d) rough ER and smooth ER

Rough ER

Smooth ER

presence of ribosomes.

- the ribosomes are attached to its surface, to give rough appearance.

- ribosomes are not present on its surface.

function

- involved in synthesis and modification of protein especially those are secreted or sent to lysosomes.
- involved in synthesis of lipids, steroid, hormones and detoxification. It also stores calcium ions.

location

Found in cells that produce large amount of proteins.

Found in cells that are involved in lipid production such that liver cells and gonadal cells.

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(e) chromatin and chromosomes

Chromatin

Chromosomes

Structure

• it is a loose, thread like structure made up of DNA and proteins.

• These are compact, rod like structures formed by highly coiled chromatin.

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Function

stores genetic information and involved in transcription (copying of DNA into RNA)

carry genetic information in form of genes and ensure equal distribution.

Condensation

chromatin condenses into chromosomes during cell division.

are condensed form of chromatin that allows separation.

Q17- What are vesicles and what function they form?

Answer:

Vesicles are small, membrane-bound sacs - they transport materials between different organelles to the cell membrane for secretion.

- They store substances
- It contains digestive enzymes to break down waste.
- It is involved in endo and exocytosis.

Q18- What are the techniques that can be used to study plasma membrane.

Answer:

To study plasma membrane, several techniques are commonly used:

- Electron Microscopy
- Fluorescence Microscopy
- Transmission Electron Microscopy

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Plasma membrane is a barrier that controls the movement of material across the cell. Transport across plasma membrane and ionic concentration within the cell for enzyme activity.

The techniques used in studying cell membrane

The biophysical imaging techniques, such as atomic force microscopy and super-resolution fluorescent microscopy, have been developed to study biological structures. Scanning electron microscopy (SEM) is one of the fundamental techniques for membrane characterization. SEM can be used to determine the morphology and topography data of the prepared membranes. SEM can be used to determine the pore size in the case of a porous membrane.

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1.6 CELL SIGNALING

The process by which cells communicate with other cells within their body or with the environment is called cell signaling. Or simply the transfer of information from one cell to another is called cell signaling.

Q-19 (a)

Ligands and Receptors

The signaling molecules are also known as ligands. They initiate signaling. Different types of molecules can serve as signaling molecules. They can be proteins, lipids, amino acids, metabolites, gases and many others.

The proteins that respond to ligands are called receptors. Signaling molecules and receptors exist in several varieties; however, a signaling molecule will bind to a specific receptor. A receptor typically binds only one type of signaling molecule.

1. **Reception:** Reception is the target cell's detection of a signal molecule coming from outside the cell. A chemical signal is detected when it binds to a receptor protein located on the cell's surface or inside the cell.

Magnification: The magnification is the capacity of an optical instrument to increase the size of an object than its original size. The objects which cannot be seen by naked eye can also be observed by increasing magnification. Different lenses have different magnification powers which are represented by the letter 'X' that means that the number of times than original size. Therefore, a lens of 10X magnification can increase the size of an object of $1\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ to $10\text{ }\mu\text{m}$.

The total magnification can be calculated by multiplying the objective lens value by the ocular lens value. Maximum magnification of a light microscope is 1500 X, using a 100X objective and 15X ocular lens. An electron microscope can magnify specimens between 1 and 50 million times depending on which type is used.

Resolution: It is a measure of the microscope's ability to distinguish between two points which are close together on an object. If a microscope can clearly distinguish between the two points, it has a good or high resolution. The resolution of naked eye is 0.1mm. This resolution cannot be increased by increasing magnification. The resolving power of a light microscope is 250 nm. The resolving power of an electron microscope is 0.2 nm.

Difference: The difference between magnification and resolution is that magnification is the ability to make small objects seen larger by using optical instruments e.g., microscope. Resolution is the ability to distinguish two objects from each other.

1.3.1. Electron Microscopy

Principle of Electron Microscopy: It uses the beam of accelerated electrons to visualize the specimens and has a high resolution.

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different or
in the body or a laboratory, stem cells
cells called daughter cells.

These daughter cells become either new stem cells or
specialized cells (differentiation) with a more specific
function, such as blood cells, nerve cells, liver cells, heart muscle cells or bone cells. No other
cell in the body has the natural ability to generate new cell types.

A stem cell can be defined as "It is a cell with the unique ability to develop into specialized
cell types in the body."

Advantages of using stem cells: New cells

Nerve cells

Liver cells

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Types of stem cells

Researchers categorize stem cells, according to their potential to differentiate into other types of cells. The full classification includes:

Totipotent: These stem cells can differentiate into all possible cell types. The first few cells that appear as the zygote starts to divide are totipotent.

Pluripotent: These cells can turn into almost any cell. Cells from the early embryo are pluripotent.

Multipotent: These cells can differentiate into a closely related family of cells. Adult hematopoietic stem cells, for example, can become red and white blood cells or platelets.

Oligopotent: These can differentiate into a few different cell types. Adult lymphoid or myeloid

Exocytosis and endocytosis are two processes that allow materials that cannot diffuse through the lipid bilayer to cross the cell membrane.

Endocytosis

Endocytosis is the process by which substances are engulfed within the cell membrane, which then forms a vesicle containing the ingested material.

The two main subtypes of endocytosis are Phagocytosis and Pinocytosis.

Phagocytosis

Phagocytosis is the process through ^{which} phagocytes, or liver cells ingest or consume other cells & particles. A phagocyte may be Amoeba or white blood cells. Some species e.g., sponges, Amoeba have a way of feeding called phagocytosis. Extensions of the cytoplasm, termed pseudopodia ('false feet'), sense, surround and enclose the target, creating a vacuole or phagosome on the inside of the cell membrane. In higher animals phagocytosis is primarily a defensive mechanism to infection and antigens.

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absor... pits, as they are coated with proteins causes the coat pit to invaginate and become a coated vesicle, bringing the desired ligand into the cell.

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Exocytosis

Exocytosis is the process by which the transfer of material takes place from inside of the cell to the outside of the cell. It is an active transport. Vesicles are packaged within the cell and transported to the cell membrane, where their phospholipid bilayers fuse. This allows the contents to be released outside the cell. Exocytosis is used in many areas of the body, including neurotransmitter release at synapses or release of secretions in the sweat glands.

- Freeze - fracture em
- Cell fractionation
- Mass spectrometry.

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Q20 - What are the advantages of using stem cell.

Answer :

Stem cells offer advantages in regenerative medicine, disease treatment, personalized therapies, drug testing and research. They can repair damaged tissues, provide personalized treatments, model diseases for drug development.