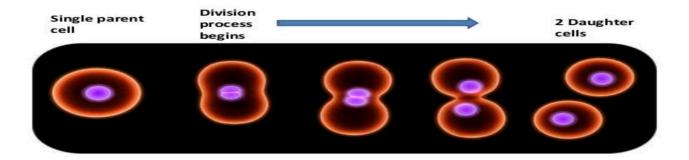
Cell division and mitosis

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Cell division

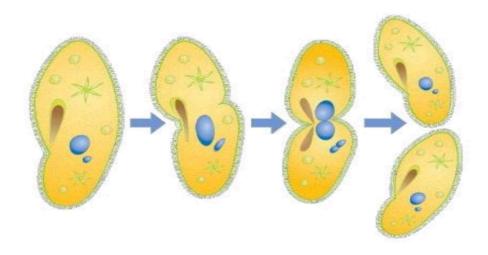
- When a single cell divides to form two identical daughter cells
- Daughter cells are the two new cells which are formed
- The original cell is called as the parent cell
- Hence once parent cell undergoes cell division to form two daughter cells



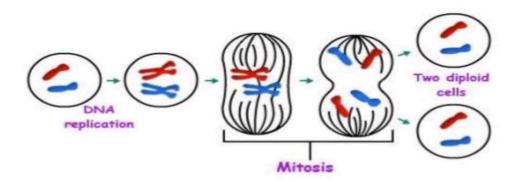
Cell Reproduction

- 1. Asexual reproduction:
- a. Binary fission
- b. Mitosis
- 2. Sexual reproduction:
- Meiosis

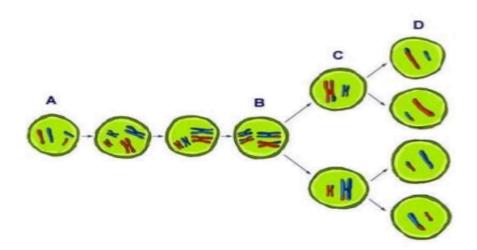
BINARY FISSION



MITOSIS

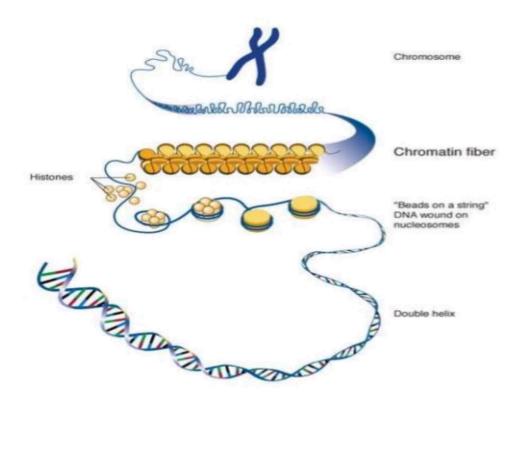


MEIOSIS



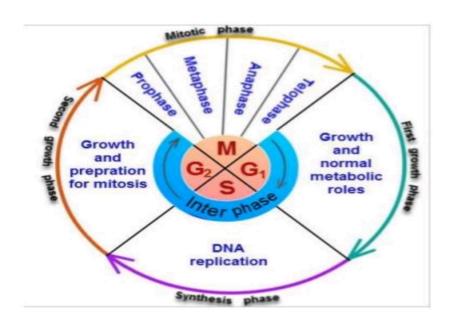
Packaging of DNA

- · DNA is present in the nucleus of the cell
- It is tightly packaged or condensed several times so as to fit it inside the nucleus.
- DNA Chromatin Chromosome
- Thus DNA is tightly packed into chromatin and chromatin is tightly packed into a chromosome



The cell cycle

- · The cell cycle involves 4 phases:
- The growth phase in which the cell grows in size (G1 & G2 phase)
- The synthesis phase in which the DNA multiplies or replicates (S phase)
- And finally the mitosis stage or the cell division stage in which the parent cell divides into 2 daughter cells (M phase)
- 4. Order of phases = G1-S-G2-M



Stages of the cell cycle

1. G1 phase

- It is the 1st growth phase of the cell
- The cytoplasm and organelles grow in the cell
- It prepares the DNA for the next phase that is S phase
- The cell performs normal cellular activities during this phase

Stages of the cell cycle

2. 'S' phase

- · It is also called as synthesis phase
- A new DNA is synthesized from the original DNA
- · Hence the DNA no. doubles in the cell

3. G2 phase

- It is the 2nd growth phase of the cell
- The cell prepares itself and grows the required organelles for cell division

Stages of the cell cycle

4. 'M' phase

- · It is also called as the mitosis phase or cell division
- The parent cell divides into 2 daughter cells in this phase
- Each daughter cells have the same no. of chromosomes as present in the parent cell
- E.g. if parent cell has 8 chromosomes then each daughter cell will have 8 chromosomes

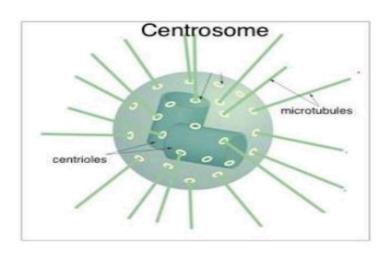
- The G1, S & G2 phases are together grouped under 'Interphase'
- An interphase is the duration between every successive mitotic division

What is mitosis?

- · Division of the nucleus into 2 parts
- · Also called karyokinesis
- · Occurs only in eukaryotes
- Has 4 stages
- · Doesn't occur in some cells such as the brain cells

What are centrosomes?

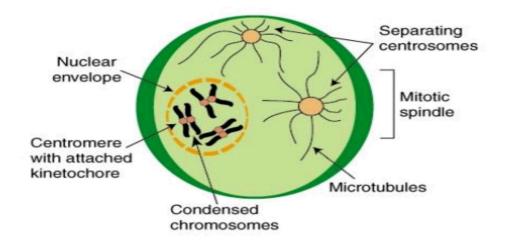
- A centrosome is an organelle produced by the cell in the G2 phase of cell cycle
- · It helps in the mitosis
- 2 centrosomes are produced per cell, each at one end of the cell
- Each centrosome has 2 centrioles which produce fibres that pull the chromosomes during mitosis
- Hence each cell has 2 centrosomes and each centrosome has 2 centrioles



Stages of Mitosis

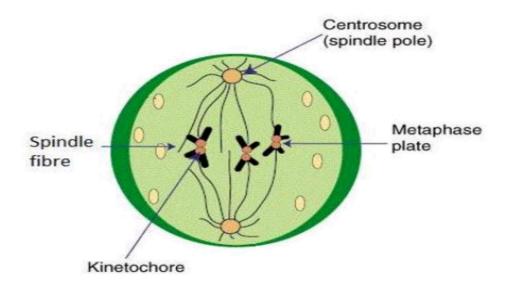
1. Prophase

- · It is the 1st phase of mitosis
- The chromatin present in the nucleus condenses to form chromosomes in this phase
- The centrosomes begin to move apart from each other
- Later these centrosomes also start the formation of spindle fibres or microtubules



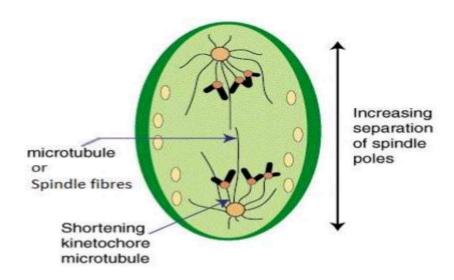
2. Metaphase

- Longest stage of mitosis lasting about 20 min
- · Centrosomes align at opposite ends of the cell
- Chromosomes get arranged on an imaginary metaphase plate
- The chromosomes are attached to the spindle fibres with the help of kinetochores present on centromere of chromosomes



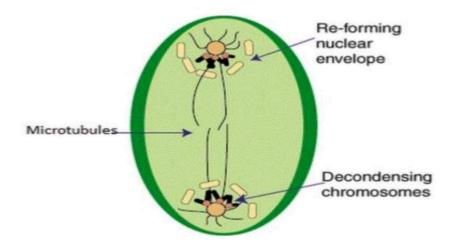
3. Anaphase

- · Shortest stage of mitosis which lasts for a few min
- The two sister chromatids of each chromosome are pulled apart by the pulling spindle fibres
- Each chromatid behaves like an individual chromosome
- By the end of Anaphase the 2 ends of the cells have equal no of chromosomes



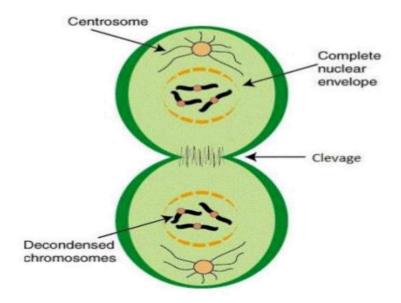
4. Telophase

- Nucleus develops surrounding the chromosomes at each end of the cell
- · The chromosomes become less condensed
- A nuclear envelope begins to form around each nucleus
- Mitosis is thus completed



Cytokinesis

- · Means division of the cytoplasm
- · Cleavage of cell into two halves
- · Each half is called a daughter cell
- Each daughter cell has the same number of chromosomes present in the parent cell



Interphase

- Interphase is the stage after cytokinesis right upto the next prophase of the mitotic cycle
- It consists of G1, S & G2 phases of the cell cycle
- It ends with the beginning of prophase of the M phase of the cell cycle
- Hence it can be said that two successive mitotic phases are separated by an interphase

