

Cell Structure , Function & Ultrastructure

Learning Objectives 2.1.2	Cell Structure and Function
✚Components of the cell as seen under the light microscope	1. Plant cells: cell wall, cytoplasm, nucleus, vacuole, and chloroplast.
✚and their functions .	2. Animal cells: cytoplasm and nucleus. •In both cases indicate the position and • function of the <u>cell membrane</u> .

Learning Objectives 2.1.3	Cell Ultrastructure
✚Identification And	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•the cell membrane,•Mitochondrion•Chloroplast
✚function of the following	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Nucleus•nuclear pores•Ribosome•DNA.

Higher Level Only

Existence and definition of

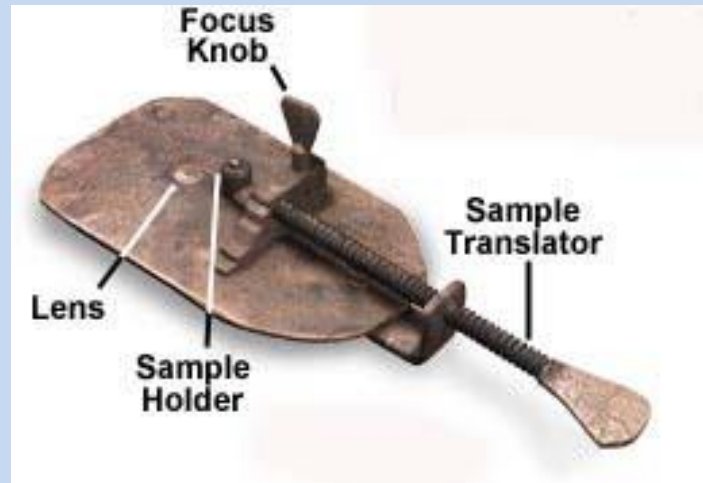
"prokaryotic" and "eukaryotic" cells

The Cell

The **CELL** is the smallest unit of matter that can carry on all the **PROCESSES OF LIFE**.

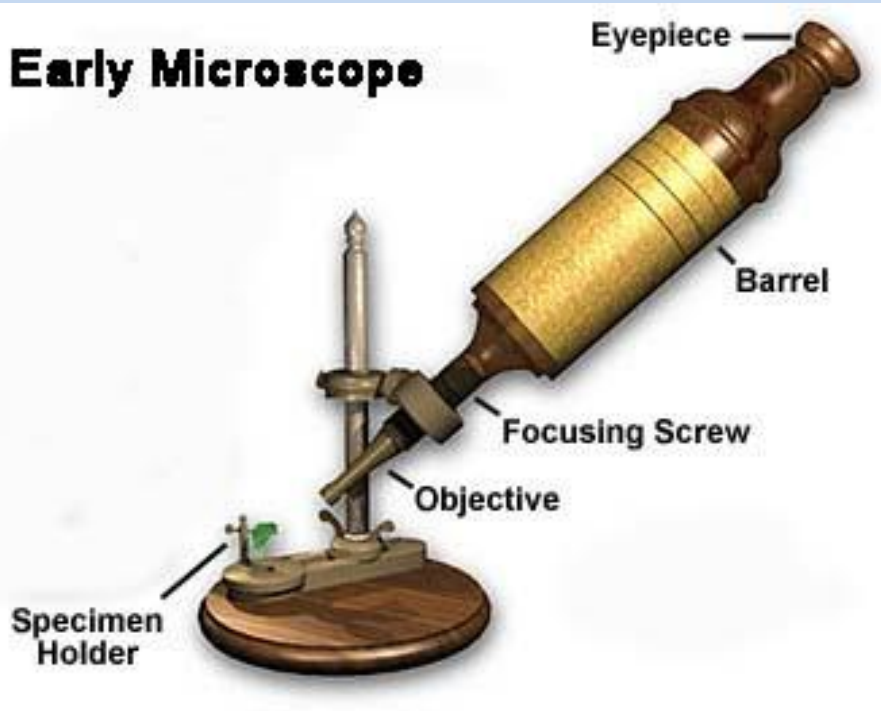
Anton von Leeuwenhoek

Anton von Leeuwenhoek with his hand-held microscope, was the first person to observe and describe Living Cells in the early 17th century



Robert Hooke

Early Microscope

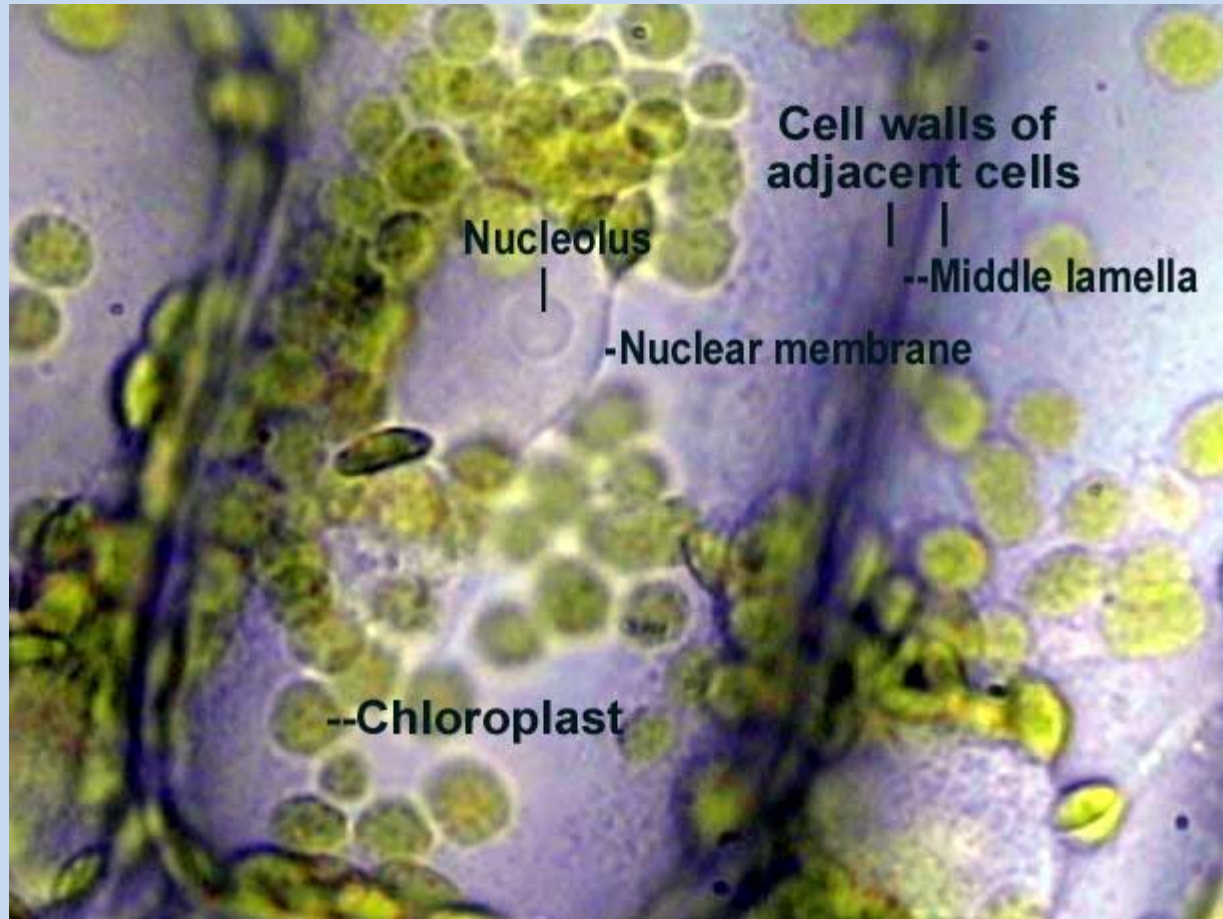


Robert Hooke looked at thin slices of cork under a microscope.

He thought the spaces he saw reminded him of Monks Cells

Hence the name cells

Plant Cell as seen under a light microscope



Cells

- **All living things are composed of one or more cells.**
- **Cells are the basic units of structure and function in an organism.**
- **Cells come only from reproduction of existing cells.**

Organelles

- Cells contain a variety of internal structures called **ORGANELLES**.
- An organelle is a cell component that **PERFORMS SPECIFIC FUNCTIONS FOR THE CELL**.

Organelles we need to know

- Cell membrane
- Nucleus
- Mitochondria
- Chloroplast
- Ribosomes
- DNA
- Cell Wall
- Vacuole

Learning Check

What are Cells?

What are organelles?

Can you name 8 organelles?

Animal Cells

Animal Cells contain the following structures

Cell Membranes

Mitochondria

Nucleus

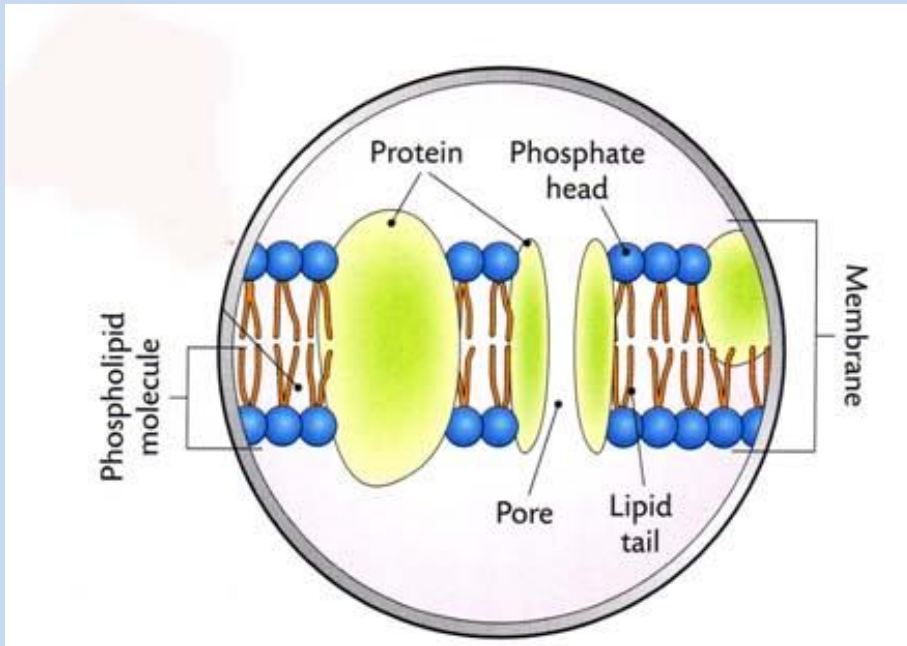
Cytoplasm

Only the cell membrane, the cytoplasm and the nucleus can be seen under the light microscope.

Cell Membrane

Cell Membranes are made up of

phospholipids and proteins



The phospholipids and proteins are in constant motion.

Membranes are said to be fluid

Functions of Cell Membranes

- **Separate** the cell organelles and cytoplasm from the outside
- **Semi permeable** - allows some molecules freely into and out and others to enter
- Membranes give some **support** to the cell
- Membranes **recognise molecules** that touch them

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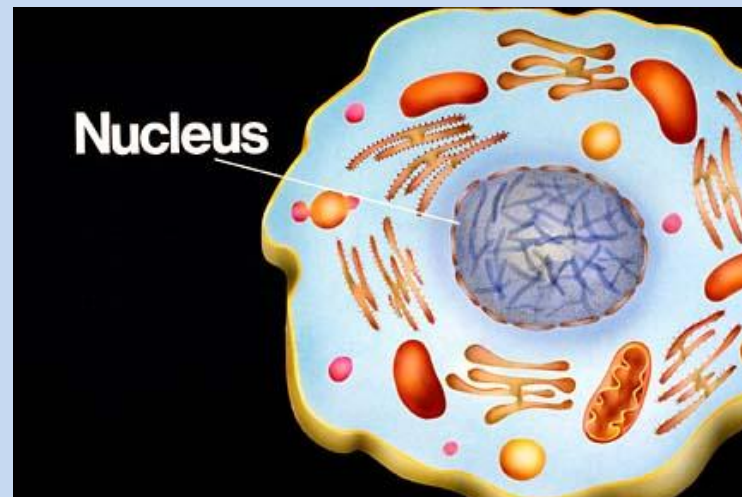
All cells have a cell membrane.

What are its 3 functions?

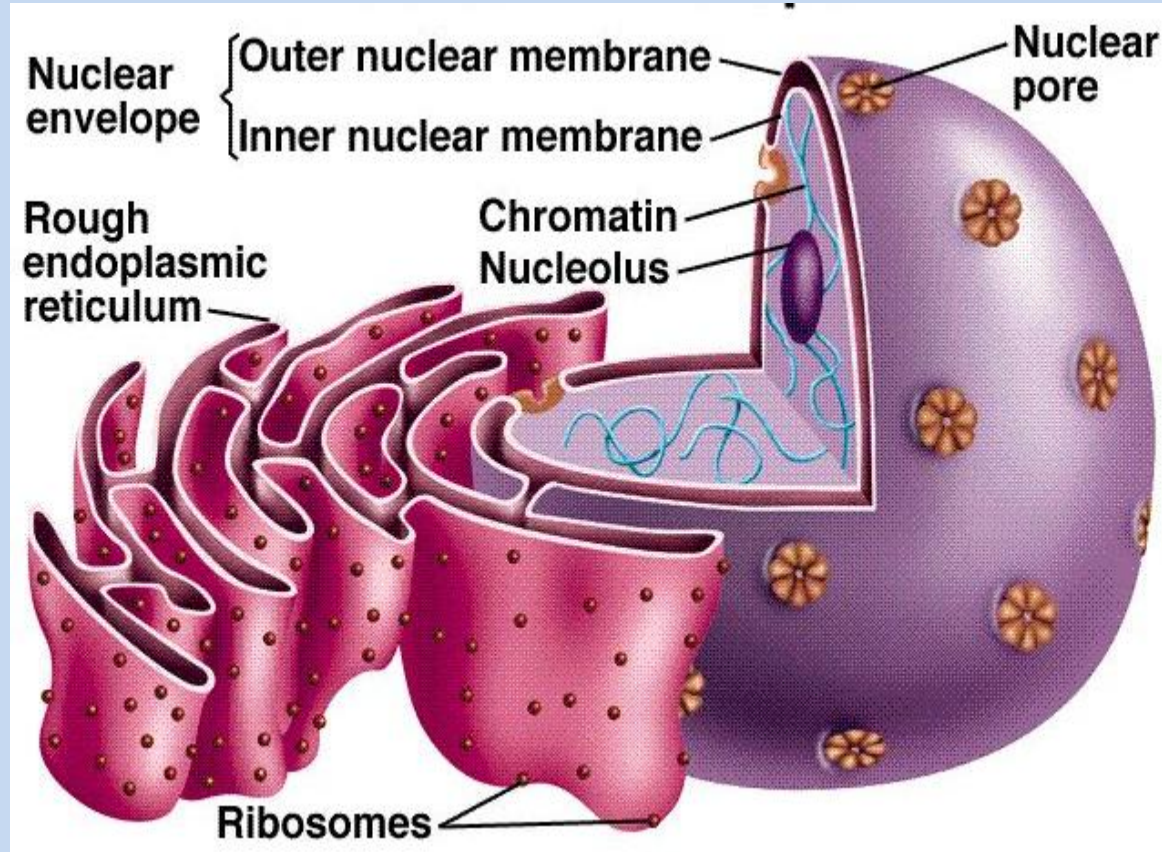
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Nucleus

- A large organelle near the center of the cell is the **NUCLEUS**.
- It contains the cell's genetic information
- It controls the activities of the cell.



Ultra Structure of The Nucleus



What's in a nucleus

The nucleus is made up of a **double membrane** with numerous **nuclear pores**.

These control the movement of substances into and out of the nucleus

A **nucleolus** which contains RNA, DNA, and Proteins and it makes **Ribosomes**

Chromatin which contains DNA that is arranged into chromosomes which stores our genes

Fill in the blanks

The control center of the cell is called the _____.

It is enclosed by a double membrane called the _____
_____.

Openings in the nuclear envelope called _____ allow for movement of substances in and out of the nucleus

Structures inside the nucleus that contain DNA and proteins are called _____.

Since DNA cannot leave the nucleus, genetic information is copied into molecules of _____ and sent out into the cytoplasm. This information is used to manufacture _____.