
3 Cell Structure and Function

Chapter Outline

The Plasma Membrane

The Nucleus

The Cytoplasm

 Ribosomes and Protein Synthesis

 Endomembrane System

 Mitochondria

 Centrioles and Related Organelles

Plasma Membrane Transport

 Passive Transport

 Active Transport

 Endocytosis and Exocytosis

Cell Division

 Mitosis

 Meiosis

Learning Objectives

1. Describe the structure and function of the plasma membrane.
2. Describe the structure and function of the nucleus.
3. Describe the role of DNA in protein synthesis.
4. Describe the roles of ribosomes and the three types of RNA in protein synthesis.
5. Describe the structures and roles of the endoplasmic reticulum and the Golgi apparatus in packaging and secretion.
6. Describe the structures of lysosomes and peroxisomes and the roles of these organelles in the breakdown of molecules.
7. Describe the structure of mitochondria and their role in producing ATP.
8. Describe the structures of centrioles, cilia, and flagella and their roles in cellular movement.
9. Describe how substances move across the plasma membrane, and distinguish between passive and active transport.
10. Give an overview of mitotic cell division, and explain the mechanism by which the chromosome number stays constant.
11. Contrast mitosis with meiosis in general terms.

Medical Terminology

Medical Term	Meaning
cyte-, cyto-	cell
hem-, hemat-	blood
iso-	equal
-lysis, -lytic	break down, dissolve

What do you think *hemolysis* means?

New Terms

Basic Key Terms

active transport	diffusion	filtration	mitochondrion	phagocytosis
centriole	endocytosis	flagella	nucleolus	pinocytosis
chromosome	endoplasmic	Golgi apparatus	nucleus	plasma membrane
cilia	reticulum	lysosome	organelle	ribosome
cytoplasm	exocytosis	metabolism	osmosis	

Clinical Key Terms

carcinogen
chemotherapy
genetic disease
hemodialysis

hypertonic
hypotonic
isotonic
malignant

metastasis
mutation
apoptosis
tumor

Study Questions

I. The Plasma Membrane/The Nucleus/The Cytoplasm

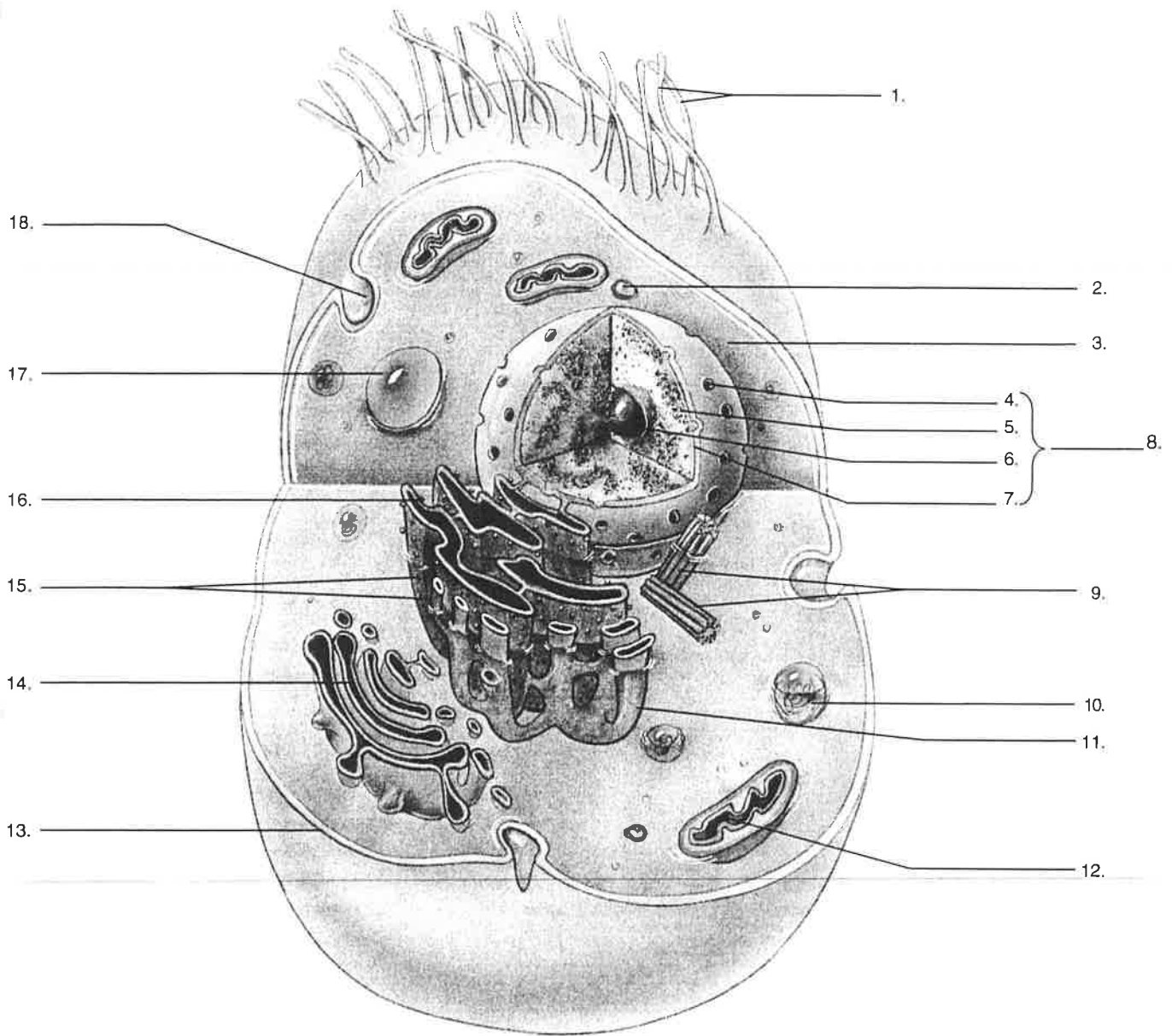
A. Match the terms on the left with the description on the right. Place the correct letters in the blanks on the left.

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|------------------------|---|
| ___ 1. plasma membrane | a. contains chromatin in the nondividing cell |
| ___ 2. centriole | b. conducts intracellular digestion |
| ___ 3. flagellum | c. described by the fluid mosaic model |
| ___ 4. Golgi apparatus | d. involved in the organization of a spindle during cell division |
| ___ 5. lysosome | e. packages products for export |
| ___ 6. cytoplasm | f. overall region outside the nucleus |
| ___ 7. mitochondrion | g. promotes movement of a sperm cell |
| ___ 8. nucleolus | h. produces ATP molecules |
| ___ 9. nucleus | i. site of protein synthesis |
| ___ 10. rough ER | j. manufactures ribosomal RNA |

B. The underlined words in the following statements make the statements false. In the space provided, rewrite each statement to make it true.

1. Proteins and nucleic acids compose the fluid mosaic model of plasma membrane structure.
2. Nucleic acids serve as receptors for chemical molecules arriving at the plasma membrane.
3. Chromosomes are visible in the cell when it is not dividing.
4. DNA activity is not part of cell metabolism.
5. Smooth ER is the site of carbohydrate synthesis.

C. Use the terms that follow to label the cell structures in the drawing (see text figure 3.1). Write the correct label in the space provided beside each numbered pointer.



centrioles
 chromatin
 cilia
 cytoplasm
 Golgi apparatus
 lysosome
 mitochondrion
 nuclear envelope
 nuclear pore

nucleolus
 nucleus
 peroxisome
 plasma membrane
 ribosomes
 rough endoplasmic reticulum
 smooth endoplasmic reticulum
 vacuole
 vesicle formation

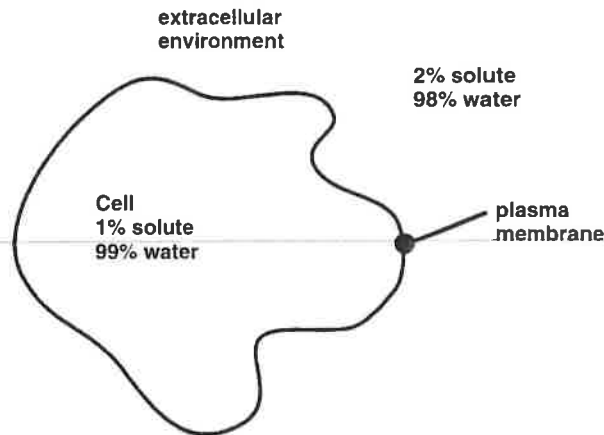
II. Plasma Membrane Transport

A. Match the terms on the left with the description on the right. Place the correct letters in the blanks on the left.

- ___ 1. active transport
- ___ 2. diffusion
- ___ 3. filtration
- ___ 4. osmosis
- ___ 5. phagocytosis
- ___ 6. facilitated diffusion

- a. this process requires a large number mitochondria
- b. a red blood cell undergoes hemolysis by this process
- c. blood pressure pushes molecules out of the capillary by this process
- d. movement of substances until they are equally distributed
- e. involves vesicle formation to move substances in
- f. requires carrier proteins to move substances toward lower concentration

B. Each of the following statements refers to the cell in its environment. The plasma membrane is permeable to water but is not permeable to solute. Refer to the accompanying drawing as you indicate whether each of the following statements is true (T) or false (F).



- ___ 1. The extracellular environment is hypotonic, compared to the inside of the cell.
- ___ 2. The intracellular environment is hypertonic, compared to the extracellular environment.
- ___ 3. The net movement of water will be from the inside of the cell to the outside of the cell.
- ___ 4. The net movement of solute will be into the cell.
- ___ 5. The cell will lose volume.
- ___ 6. The intracellular and extracellular environments will tend toward an isotonic relationship.

III. Cell Division

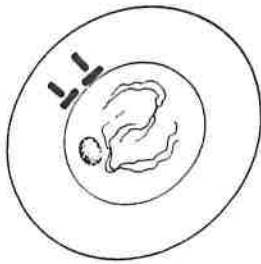
Mitosis

A. Match the terms on the left with the descriptions on the right. Place the correct letters in the blanks on the left.

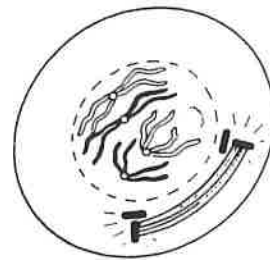
- ___ 1. anaphase
- ___ 2. interphase
- ___ 3. metaphase
- ___ 4. prophase
- ___ 5. telophase

- a. chromosomes are lined up on the equator of the spindle apparatus
- b. chromosomes are not visible
- c. chromosomes are first visible
- d. chromosomes first move toward poles
- e. furrowing of plasma membrane divides cytoplasm

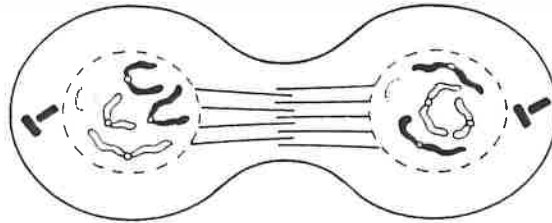
B. Indicate which stage of mitosis each of the accompanying drawings represents.



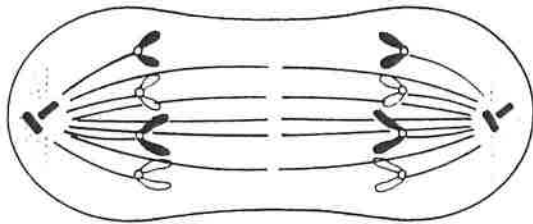
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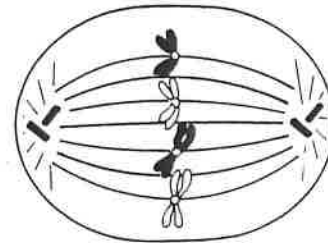
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1. Drawing 1 shows _____.
2. Drawing 2 shows _____.
3. Drawing 3 shows _____.
4. Drawing 4 shows _____.
5. Drawing 5 shows _____.

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C. Match the terms on the left with the descriptions on the right. Place the correct letters in the blanks on the left.

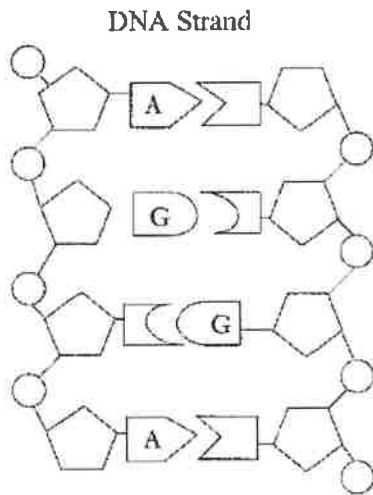
- _____ 1. G1 phase
- _____ 2. Mitosis
- _____ 3. G2 phase
- _____ 4. S phase
- _____ 5. Cytokinesis

- a. replication of DNA
- b. doubling of organelles
- c. division of the cytoplasm
- d. condensation of chromatin
- e. division of nucleus

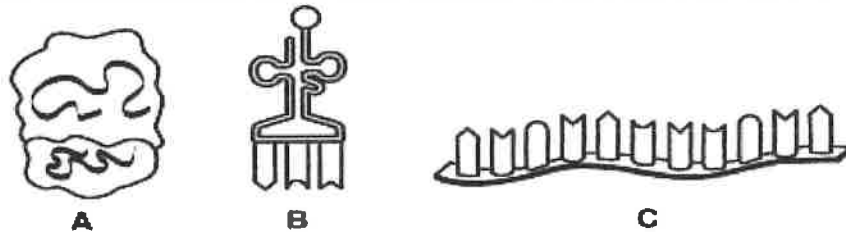
D. Match the terms on the left with the descriptions of the right. Place the correct letters in the blanks on the left.

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| _____ | 1. Chromosomes duplicate | a. mitosis only |
| _____ | 2. Cell divides only once | b. meiosis only |
| _____ | 3. Results in identical cells | c. mitosis and meiosis |
| _____ | 4. Involves protein synthesis | |
| _____ | 5. Halves the number of chromosomes | |
| _____ | 6. Cell divides twice | |
| _____ | 7. Results in 4 cells | |
| _____ | 8. Involves production of body cells | |
| _____ | 9. Important to the growth and repair of organisms | |
| _____ | 10. Involves production of gametes | |

E. Label the sugar molecules (S), the phosphate molecules (P), and the bases in the above diagram (A, C, T, or G).
 Circle and label one nucleotide.



F. Match illustrations of RNA molecules with its name. Place the correct letters in the blanks on the left.



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| _____ | 1. tRNA |
| _____ | 2. mRNA |
| _____ | 3. rRNA |

G. Match the terms on the left with the descriptions of the right. Place the correct letters in the blanks on the left.

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| _____ | 1. mRNA specifies the order of amino acids in a particular protein | a. tRNA |
| _____ | 2. joins with proteins to form ribosome | b. mRNA |
| _____ | 3. Contains a code and serves as a template for RNA production | c. rRNA |
| _____ | 4. Brings amino acids to the ribosome | d. DNA |
| _____ | 5. Process that is used to produce mRNA | e. replication |
| _____ | 6. Process that occurs in the cytoplasm at the ribosome | f. transcription |
| _____ | 7. Process that makes an exact copy of DNA | g. translation |