#### Plant and Animal Cells

Learning Goals:
To be able to name various cell structures and describe their functions
To observe and recognize structural differences between plant and animal cells

To understand why cells divide

# The Cell Theory

- All living things are made up of cells
- Cells are the basic unit of life
- All cells come from pre-existing cells





# **Cell Structure**

- Organelles are structures within a cell with specialized functions
- Processes essential for life include:
- 1. energy use
- 2. movement/ transportation of nutrients
- 3. waste removal
- 4. reproduction



## Organelles of Note:

# Make a table with these headings: Organelle / Structure / Function

Organelle	Structure	Function

## Cell membrane

- Thin, double-layered wrapping around the cell
- Controls what goes in and out of the cell



### Nucleus

#### • Large, and somewhat spherical

 Contains chromosomes with genetic information and therefore controls all cell activities



# Mitochondrion (pl. mitochondria)

- Bean-shaped organelle
- 'power plant' of the cell; this is where energy is extracted from nutrients





## **Organelles Unique to Plant Cells**

#### • Cell Wall

Rigid, porous layer outside cell membrane
Provides support and protection





## **Organelles Unique to Plant Cells**

#### Chloroplasts

- Green structures made of stacked disks
- Site of **photosynthesis**





# The Importance of Cell Division

#### 1. Reproduction





"Are we there yet?"

#### <u>Asexual</u>

Offspring are genetically identical There is variation in offspring to parents

<u>Sexual</u> There is variation in offspring

# The Importance of Cell Division

# 2. Repair and Replacement of damaged or dead cells.



# The Importance of Cell Division

3. Growth: it is the increase in cell numbers that causes growth, not an increase in cell size



## **Cell Processes**

- Chemicals and water are needed by the cell to carry out life processes
- What are those again? Hint: There are 4 of them.
- (Energy Use, Movement of Nutrients, Waste removal, Reproduction)
- Waste products need to be eliminated by the cell
- These needs are met by two processes
   diffusion and osmosis

### Diffusion

 The movement of chemicals across the cell membrane from areas of high concentration to areas of low concentration

Ex. Axe spray in a change room





 The movement of water across the cell membrane from areas of low solute concentration to areas of high solute concentration



Wrinkly fingers are common after being in contact with water for a long time. This phenomenon occurs because once Sebum (a protective skin lubricant) is washed away, the water in our body can transport out of the skin due to osmosis.



### Osmosis



#### Cell Size

- Diffusion and osmosis take time
- The larger the cell, the longer the process
- Therefore smaller cell size allows quicker and more efficient accumulation of necessary substances, and quicker and more efficient elimination of wastes

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- Plant / Animal Cell Colouring



## Observing plant and animal cells

- Observe at least two slides each of plant and animal cells
  - What do the animal cells have in common?
  - What do the plant cells have in common?
  - How are plant cells different from animal cells?
  - What structures can you identify?

