

# \* Continuity of Life

## Mitosis

(i) Interphase - The interval inbetween the end of cytokinesis and beginning of prophase of next round of mitosis is called interphase. It involves all the synthetic anabolic activities so that a daughter cell could gradually grows into a mother cell. to take part in cell division. Though the cell grows, there is no chromosomal changes found. Hence it is called resting phase. Nucleus in interphase stage is called metabolic nucleus. (a)

### (a) G<sub>1</sub> Phase -

(i) It lies inbetween the end of cytokinesis and S phase.

(ii) Huge amount of ATP, RNA and enzyme protien which are involved in RNA replication are synthesised actively

(iii) Longest phase of cell cycle

(iv) Somewhere in cell cycle, in middle

of G<sub>1</sub>, cell has to take three decision 1) wheather a cell would take part in further cell division without deal 2) Cell would take temporary recess from cell cycle. and enter

into temporary G<sub>0</sub> phase. 3) cell would permanently enter into G<sub>0</sub> phase.

(b) S phase -

(i) It lies in between G<sub>1</sub> and G<sub>2</sub> phase. It involves replication of DNA so that single stranded chromosome become double stranded.

(ii) It also involves duplication of centrioles and synthesis of histone protein.

(c) G<sub>2</sub> phase -

(i) It lies in between end of S phase and beginning of prophase.

(ii) It involves synthesis of ATP, RNA, structural protein including tubulin (protein of microtubule).

Prophase It is the longest phase in M phase.

Events :-

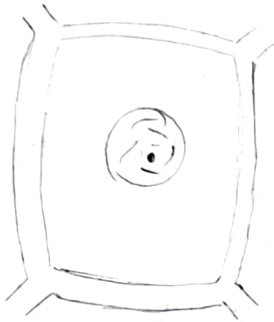
1) Chromatin reticulum becomes condensed and thickened by dehydration. They gradually become uncoiled.

2) Spiralization of chromosome takes place and they become conspicuous under the microscope.

3) With more dehydration each chromosome longitudinally splits up into two sister chromatids that remain attached with one another along the centromere.

4) In an animal cell two centrioles experience a force of repulsion but they remain connected by some microtubules. A few microtubules radiate from centriole, radiate from like the spokes of a wheel they are called as asters or astral rays

5) The nucleolus and nuclear membrane disappear, scattering the chromosome and cytoplasm.



Metaphase It is formed by spindle formation and alignment of chromosome.

1) Spindle formation is the most important event in this stage.

In animal cell, the two centrioles migrate apart and many microtubules link between the centrioles. As a result the whole ~~cell~~

structure takes the shape of spindle. It is called bipolar spindle.

In plant cell (higher plant) the bipolar spindle is directly formed by the cellular tubulin.

2) The region of the cell where the spindle fibre converge are regarded as poles, while the central part of the spindle forms the equator also known as equatorial plate or metaphase plate.

3) Chromosomes now assemble at the metaphase plate and each chromosome is attached from the spindle fibre with the help of centromere.

4) The chromosomes are more conspicuous and the chromosome number in a cell is determined at this stage.



Anaphase: It is marked by the poleward movement of chromosomes (sister chromatids)

### Events

- 1) ALL the centromeres lie attach to the spindle fibre get divided and each half is shared by sister chromatids of chromosome.
- 2) All the chromatids are now regarded as daughter chromosome, start a poleward journey by the gradual shrinking of spindle fibres.
- 3) Thus an equal set of chromatids slowly moves towards the respective pole.

Telophase: It is marked by the formation of two daughter nuclei at the two poles of the cell and all the changes occurred during prophase are reversed.

- 1) After all the chromosome reached the poles they begin to rehydrate.

2) A new nuclear membrane and nucleolus occur at each pole when the membrane covered the chromosome.

3) Desintegration now occurs in spindle apparatus.

4) At the end of telophase, each pole houses a new nucleus with nucleolus, nuclear reticulum, nuclear membrane and nucleoplasm.

### Cytokinesis in plant cell

1) In plant cell some microvesicles of golgi body assemble at the equatorial plate.

2) The vesicles then fuse together to form fragmoplast that appears as a dark plate along the equator which is called cell plate.

3) It begins to form from the centre and gradually extends towards the periphery.

4) The cytoplasm of the mother cell now divide along the cell plate which forms the

middle lamella of the daughter cell.

5) Cellulose and pectin deposits along the cell plate to form cell wall of the daughter cell.

### Cytokinesis in Animal Cell.

1) The cell membrane invaginates around the equatorial plate. and the invagination deepens towards the centre of the cell.

2) Ultimately the invaginations meet at the centre. and the cytoplasm is cleaved into two equal halves by the process called cleavage.

3) Each half of the cytoplasm sharing a nucleus in it forms a daughter cell.

Why is mitosis called equational division ?

- 1) The numerical quantity and genetic quality of chromosome remain unchanged in a pair of daughter cell as compare to that of parent cell.
- 2) The cytoplasm along with cell organelle in the mother cell gets evenly distributed in the two daughter cell.