

To state the role of phytohormones in the phototropism  
movement of plants.

The phytohormone auxin also called Indole acetic acid (IAA) controls the tropic movements in plants. The phototrophic movement is the migration of the plant organs in response to unilateral illumination and is caused by auxin. The unequal distribution of auxin can take place of a number of reasons due to light; auxin formation is restricted in the shaded side and it increases in the shaded side. This causes more auxin distribution on the shaded side than the light side thereby bending of stem towards the direction of light takes place.

To state the role phytohormone in the geotropic movement  
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The phytohormone auxin also called Indole acetic acid (IAA) controls the geotropic movements in plants. The geotropic movement is the curvature of plant organs in response to the direction of force of gravity. The phytohormone auxin also influences the geotropic movement which is caused due to unequal distribution of auxin. In horizontal organ, auxin concentration is more on the lower side than on the upper side. Roots being more effective on lesser auxin concentration causes greater growth on upper side of the root resulting in the downward curvature of roots.

Q) Example

Movements of algae, bacteria,  
towards source of light

Movement of shoots  
towards light; movement  
of roots away from  
light.

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petiole  
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31) Describe an experiment on phototropism.

Ans:- Evidence - A potted plant kept near open window bends  
towards the source of light.

Experiment on phototropism:

i) Materials required - Potted seedling, Table.

ii) Procedure - A potted seedling is kept near the open  
window through which adequate sunlight fall on the seedling.

iii) Observation - After some days we notice that the stem  
move towards the source of light i.e., towards the open window.

iv) Inference - We can thus say that the stem, moving towards  
the direction of the external stimulus i.e., light, is positively phototropic  
or in other words, positively heliotropic. The leaves being transversely  
position towards the external stimulus is transversely phototropic.

32) Describe an experiment on geotropism.

Ans:- i) Materials required - Few germinating seeds, a moist substance (soil).

ii) Procedure - The germinating seeds are placed in a horizontal  
position over the moist substance (soil sawdust) and kept in a  
chamber in order to avoid the influence of light.

iii) Observation - After some days it will be seen that the tip of  
the radicle bends downwards showing positive geotropism of  
root, and the plumule moves in a direction vertically upward  
showing negative geotropism of stem.

iv) Inference - Stem bending in the direction away from the earth  
is stimulus (gravitational pull) shows negative geotropism, where  
the root shows positive geotropism by moving towards the  
external stimulus.

33) Describe an experiment on hydrotropism

Ans:- The roots of the seedlings are positively hydrotropic which was  
demonstrated by keeping them on moist hanging sieve containing  
containing moist sawdust. Then it has been observed that, the  
roots after passing through the holes of sieve, bend and span  
on the moist outer surface of the container in search of  
water instead of going downwards.

tongue in the pollinus, the swollen basal region of the leaflet containing sensitive cells.

Ques: What is chemotropic movement?

Ans: The nastic movement of plant organs induced by change in the intensity of the chemical substance is called chemotropic movement or chemotropism.

Eg: Curving of tentacles of the insectivorous plant Sundew in response to suitable portion of the insect body when placed at the center of the leaf.

Eg: Movement of tendril away from chlorophorm in insectivorous plant Pilea Genlcea

Ques: State the differences among tactic, tropic and nastic movements.

Ans:- Point of diff.      Tactic      Tropic      Nastic

No change of place  
Plants undergo change of place. It is an induced plant movement of locomotion.

Plants do not change their place. It is an induced plant movement of curvature.

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Factor It is dependent on the intensity as well as the direction of the stimulus

It depends on the direction of the stimulus and does not depend on the intensity of the stimulus. It depends on the intensity of the stimulus and is independent of the direction of the stimulus. It places in a pre-determined direction and the stimulus is different.

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stimulus in a pre-determined direction and diffused in nature.

Eg: The opening of petals of lotus with sunrise and closing with sunset.

The diff. types of nastic movement are i) photoneustic  
ii) thermonastic iii) nictinastic iv) seismoneustic v) chemoneustic

Ques: What is photoneustic movement?

Ans: The nastic movement induced by the change of in the light intensity is called photoneustic movement or photoregulation.  
Eg: Flowers like sunflower, poppy open during day and close at sunset.  
Flowers of night queen (Cestrum nocturnum) open at night.

Ques: What is thermonastic movement?

Ans: The nastic movement of the plant organs induced by the variation in the degree of temp. is called thermonastic movement or thermonasty.

Eg: Flowers like Tulip, cactus open at high temp. but close with fall of temp.

Ques: What is nictinastic movement?

Ans: The nastic movement of plant organs due to change of intensity of both light and temp which act simultaneously is called nictinastic movement or nictinasty. Eg: Leaves of Acacia, Bauhinia, Moringa etc. and opening and closing of flowers of cactus and tobacco are the examples of nictinastic movement.

Ques: What is chemoneustic?

Ans: The nastic movement of plant organs in response to the intensity of mechanical stimuli such as contact with foreign body, pressure, shock, shaking is called seismoneustic movement or seismoneutry. The extent of seismoneustic movement depends upon the intensity of the stimulus, the vigor and

negative phototropism movement and negative gravitropism.

Q1. What type of movement is exhibited by the leaves of a plant?

A1. The leaves of a plant show negative phototrophic movement, positive hydrotropic movement and positive gravitropic movement.

Q2. What is chemotropism?

A2. The tropic movement of plant organs in response to the direction of a chemical substance is called chemotropic movement or chemotropism.

e.g.: Movement of a pollen tube towards the chemical secreted by the cell of the ovule.

Q3. What is thigmotropic or haptotropic movement?

A3. The tropic movement of the plant organs in response to the contact or touch with a foreign body. Is called the thigmotropic movement or haptotropic movement.

e.g.: coiling of a tendril around a support.

Q4. What type of movement is shown by growing tendrils?

A4. Nutrition

Q5. What type of movement is shown by the tendril coiling around a support?

A5. Haptotropia or Thigmotropic movement.

Q6. What is nastic movement?

A6. It is an induced plant movement of curvature when the direction of the response of the plant organs bears no definite connection with the direction of the external stimulus and the organs behave indifferently, then the plant movement is called nastic movement. The movement of the plant organs takes place according to the intensity of the

negative phototropism

negative hydrotropism and negative gravitropism

Q. What type of movement is exhibited by the roots of a plant?

A. The roots of a plant show negative geotropic and positive hydrotropic movement and positive gravitropism.

Q. What is xanthophylaxis?

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Ex: Movement of a pollen tube towards the chemical secreted by the tip of the anther.

Q. What is thigmotropism or haptotropism?

A. The tropic movement of the plant organs in response to contact or touch with a foreign body. It is called the thigmotropism movement or haptotropism movement.  
Ex: Climbing of a tendril around a support.

Q. What type of movement is shown by ignoring touch?

A. Negative phototropism

Q. What type of movement is shown by the tendril coiling around a support

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Ques:- What is phototrophic movement?

Ans:- The tropic movement of plant organs in response to the source of light is called photo tropic movement.

Eg:- Shoots of a plant grows towards the source of light and is positively phototropic.

i) The root of the plant grows away from the source of light and is negatively phototropic.  
ii) The leaves remain at right angle to the source of light and are transversely phototropic.

Ques:- What is hydrotropic movement?

Ans:- The tropic movement of plant organs in response to the source of water is called hydrotropic movement.

Eg:- i) The roots grows towards the water and are positively hydrotropic.  
ii) The roots grows away from the source of water and are negatively hydrotropic.

Ques:- What is geotrophic movement?

Ans:- The tropic movement of plant organs in response to the direction of the force of gravity is known as geotrophic movement or geotropism.

Eg:- i) The roots of a plant grows towards the force of gravity and are positively geotropic.  
ii) The shoots of a plant grows away from the force of gravity and are negatively geotropic.

Ques:- The lateral roots and branches grow at right angle to the direction of gravity and are transversely geotropic.

Ques:- (objective) what type of movement is exhibited by the shoot of the plants?

Q) What is thermo tactic movement?

Ans:- The tactic movement in an organism due to the change of temperature is called thermo tactic movement.

Eg:- If hot water is dropped in the center of a bacterial colony, the cells move apart showing negative thermo tactic movements.

If cold water is dropped similarly, the bacterial cells move towards it showing positive thermotactic movement.

Movement of protoplasm at a higher rate within the cell due to the rise of temperature only.

Q) What is movement of growth?

Ans:- This is a permanent spontaneous movement of curvature in plants. It is also known as nutation. When plant organs like stem and tendril grow in length, their tips follow a spiral routes.

Q) What is movement of variation?

Ans:- This is a temporary spontaneous movement of curvature in plants.

Eg:- The leaflets of Telegraph plant show this movement. The two lateral leaflets exhibit up and down movement at day time due to variation in the turgor pressure in the cells of the pulvinus of the leaflet.

Q) What is tropic movement?

Ans:- It is an induced plant movement of curvature. When the direction of response of the plant organs bears a definite relation with either towards or away from the external stimulus then the plant movement is called tropic movement or tropism.

Eg:- Movement of stem towards light and movement of roots away from light.

The diff. types of tropic movements are:-  
i) Phototrophic or Hydrotrophic movement.  
ii) Geotrophic movement.  
iii) Heliotropic movement.  
iv) Haptotrophic or Thigmotrophic movement.  
v) Chemotrophic movement.

Movement<sup>or tactic</sup> of three types :- i) phototactic  
ii) chemo tactic  
iii) thermo tactic.

Eg: Movement of algae towards weak light.

Q: What is phototactic movement or phototaxis?

Ans:- The tactic movement of the organism induced by light is called phototactic movement or phototaxis.

Eg: i) Zoospores of Ulothrix and the entire body of Chlamydomonas move away from intense light showing negative phototactic movement.

ii) However, they move towards weak light thereby showing positive phototactic movement.

iii) Movement of algae and bacteria towards weak light.

Q: What is chemotactic movement?

Ans:- The tactic movement <sup>ind.</sup> of the organism induced by some chemical substances is called chemotactic movement.

Eg: i) In moss, cane-sugar is secreted by the female sex organs called archegonium to induce the movement of antherozoids towards it.

ii) In fern, malic acid is secreted similarly to attract the antherozoids.

These are positive chemotactic movement.

iii) If a little acid is dropped in the center of a bacterial colony, the bacteria move away from the acid. This is negative chemotactic movement.

~~1) ROTATION OF PROTOPLASM  
2) ROTATION IN THE LEAF OF VALLISNERIA  
3) CIRCULATION IN THE STAMINAL HAIR OF TRADECACTUS~~

4) What is celerary movement?

Ans:- It is a spontaneous movement of locomotion in plants.

The protoplasm moves with the help of cilia in some algae and fungi which is called celerary movement.

Eg: Zoospores of algae and fungi.

5) What is amoeboid movement?

Ans:- It is a spontaneous movement of locomotion in plants. In algae, the protoplasm moves with the help of pseudopodia which is called amoeboid movement.

Eg: Hymo Myxomycetes group of algae.

6) What is tactic movement?

Ans:- It is an induced plant locomotion of the organism. The free type of plant movement induced by some external stimuli like light, chemical, temperature etc. is called tactic movement.

## Plant movement

### Plant Movement

#### Movement of locomotion

Spontaneous  
i) Cyclosis  
ii) Polarity movements  
iii) Amoeboid movements

Induced  
i) Gravitaxis  
ii) Tactic movement  
iii) Photo tactic  
iv) Chemotactic  
v) Thermo tactic

#### Movement of curvature

Induced

Spontaneous  
i) Movement of growth  
ii) Movement of gravitation

Tropic Movements (TROPISM)  
i) Phototropic (Heliotropic)  
ii) Geotropic  
iii) Hydrotropic  
iv) Thigmotropic  
v) Chemosotropic

Nastic movement  
i) Photo-nastic  
ii) Thermotropic  
iii) Nyctinastic  
iv) Chemonastic  
v) Geonomastic

4) Name two plants that can show locomotion.

Ans:- Chlamydomonas and Volvox.

5) Name two animals that do not show locomotion.

Ans:- Sponge and Corals.

6) What are the factors of movement and locomotion?

Ans:- The purposes of movement and locomotion are:-

(i) To acquire food - almost all plant move towards the source of water for absorption. Some lower forms of plants can move place to place in search of food and animals <sup>not</sup> can prepare their own food and hence, they move from place to place in search of food.

(ii) Shelter - In order to live a normal life, and to perform all the physical living functions properly, a suitable shelter is necessary for plant and animals. Hence, animals have to move from one place to the other.

(iii) Protection - animals have to undergo locomotion in order to protect themselves from danger.

(iv) Reproduction - Locomotion of animals is necessary for reproduction.

(v) Search of suitable environment - In order to get sufficient amount of light, air and temperature, parts of the plant body move. Animals have to undergo locomotion in search of a suitable environment.

The purpose of movement in case of plants is also to get sufficient amount of water and to check loss of water, for pollination, reproduction etc.

## Movement and locomotion

Q) What is movement?

Ans: The process by means of which the living organism spontaneously or due to the influence of the stimuli can move any part of their body is called movement.

Eg.: Movement is usually seen in higher plants.

Q) What is locomotion?

Ans: The process by means of which the living organism can change their position entirely from one place to the other due to the voluntary movement of their locomotory organs is called locomotion.

Eg.: Locomotion is commonly seen in animals.

Q) Distinguish between movement and locomotion.

Ans: Point of difference

i) Change of place

ii) Whole organism

iii) Parts of the organism

iv) Example

### Movement

Involvement of change of place to do not occur.

Change of place of the whole organism do not takes place

Only parts of the organism changes its place

Higher plants mainly exhibit movement (except Chlamydomonas and Volvox)

### Locomotion

Involvement of change of place occurs.

Change of place of the whole organism takes place

The parts of the organism do not involve change of place

Animals mainly exhibit locomotion (except sponge and coral)