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# The Cell

- Eukaryotic eukarya
- Prokaryotic archaea and bacteria

Nucleolus	Makes ribosomal components			
Ribosome	<ul> <li>Made of protein and rRNA</li> <li>Synthesise proteins from amino acids</li> <li>Bound</li> <li>Associated with RER</li> <li>Makes proteins for export</li> <li>(membrane) &amp; organelles</li> </ul>			
Endomembrane system	Nuclear envelope → rough ER —vesicles—> golgi → membrane  Smooth ER  • Diverse functions • Examples – lipid synthesis  Rough ER • Makes and modifies proteins • Packaged in vesicles  Golgi • Layers of flattened, membranous sacs (phospholipid bilayer) • Process • Cis face – exocytosis; vesicle fuses with membrane • Enzymes modify proteins • Trans face – endocytosis; vesicle buds from membrane  Vesicles  Lysosome – digestive enzymes hydrolyse molecules			
Cytoskeleton	Protein based fibres  1) Microfilaments (7-8nm)  • Movement – cytoplasmic streaming, contraction of muscles  • Network to maintain shape  2) Intermediate filaments (8-12nm)  Proteins for structural function  3) Microtubules (25nm)  • Made of tubulin  • Function – track for organelle, whole-cell movement (cilia / flagella)			

## **Development of Eukaryotes**

- 1) Endosymbiosis –prokaryotes living in another cell
- 2) Infolding of prokaryotes plasma membrane

## **Building Blocks of Cells**

### **Carbon Macromolecules**

All polymers, except for lipids

## **Carbohydrates**

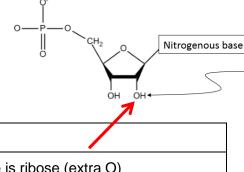
Glyosidic bond - covalent bond joining a carbohydrate to another group

## Lipids

Fats	<ul> <li>1 glycerol covalently bonded to 3 fatty acids</li> <li>Oils – fats that are liquid at room temperature</li> </ul>		
Phospholipids	<ul> <li>Amphipathic</li> <li>Form</li> <li>Membranes</li> <li>Micelles</li> <li>Vesicles</li> </ul>	Hydrophilic head  Hydrophobic tail	
Steroids	Covalently linked rings		
Waxes	Fatty acids covalently bonded to other groups		

#### **Nucleic Acids**

- Polymers of nucleotides
- Nucleotides
  - Joined by phosphodiester bond
  - ❖ 5' to 3' orientation
- · Complimentary bases H bond



DNA	RNA
<ul> <li>Pentose is deoxyribose</li> </ul>	Pentose is ribose (extra O)
<ul> <li>Double-stranded helix</li> </ul>	Single stranded
<ul> <li>Antiparallel strands</li> </ul>	Uracil replaces thymine
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## **Proteins & Enzymes**

## **Amino Acids**

- 22 AA
- Body synthesis 13
- Always have
  - Amino group
  - Carboxylic group

#### **Proteins**

- Polypeptides chain of AA joined by peptide bonds
- Protein one or more polypeptide chains folded into a 3D globular shape
- Folding
  - Depends on 1° structure
  - Assisted by chaperone proteins

#### **Structure**

Primary (1°)	<ul><li>AA sequence of polypeptide</li><li>N to C terminal</li></ul>	
Secondary (2°)	<ul> <li>H bonds between atoms of the polypeptide backbone</li> <li>Types</li> <li></li></ul>	
Tertiary (3°)	Interaction between side chains of a polypeptide	
Quaternary (4°)	<ul> <li>Two or more polypeptides coming together to form a protein</li> <li>Not required for function</li> </ul>	

#### Metabolism

**Metabolism –** chemical reactions

- <u>Catabolism</u> breaking down organic matter to release energy
- Anabolism using energy to make cellular components

#### **Enzymes**

- Catalytic proteins → lower E<sub>a</sub> → increase rate of reaction
- · Active site binds to substrate
- An enzyme is substrate specific
  - Sidechains
  - ❖ Shape

### **Influences on Activity**

- Concentration, pH, temperature
- Cofactors inorganic molecules necessary for catalysis
- Inhibitors
  - Change active sites shape
  - Mimic substrate

## **Membranes and Communication**

#### **Fluid Mosaic**

- Semi-permeable structure containing proteins 'embedded' in a phospholipid bilayer
- Phospholipids
  - Lateral movement and rotation
  - Rarely 'flippase'

Saturated		Unsaturated		Cholesterol
<ul><li>Straight</li><li>Can pac</li></ul>	tails k together	<ul><li>Bent tails</li><li>Can't pack together</li></ul>		<ul> <li>Cold – maintains fluidity</li> <li>Hot – limits fluidity</li> </ul>