Organization of the Plant Body

- Overview of Plants
- Organs
- Tissues
- Plant Cell



Overview of Plants

- Primary producers
- Non-motile with exceptions for some sex cells
- Terrestrial plants have evolved structural supports, such as lignin and transport structures
- Lose water by evaporation: cuticle
- Indeterminate growth

Organs

- Shoot: stem and leaf
- Node/internode
- Root
- Meristems: Apical & lateral



Organs



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Meristems

Apical





Tissues

- Dermal: epidermis & guard cells
- Dermal: Cork
- Ground: Parenchyma,
- Collenchyma & Sclerenchyma
- Sclerids & fibers
- Vascular:
- Xylem: vessels, tracheids
- Phloem:sieve tube members, companion cells

Epidermis



Ground tissue

(B) Ground tissue: parenchyma cells



(C) Ground tissue: collenchyma cells

(D) Ground tissue: sclerenchyma cells



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Vascular Tissue

(E) Vascular tisssue: xylem and phloem



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Plant Cell

- Symplast vs apoplast
- Membranes
- Central vacuole
- Chloroplast/plastids
- Microbodies
- Cytoskeleton
- Plasmodesmata
- Cell wall



Biological membranes

- Phospholipids
- Plastids: glycosylglycerides with galactose head groups
- Unsaturated fattty acids, such as linoleic acid (2), linolenic acid (3)
- Sterols: sitosterol, stigmasterol, and 24methylcholesterol
- Fluidity of membrane



Membranes



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central vacuole

- 80-90% of cell volume
- Surrounded by membrane (tonoplast)
- Meristems have provacuoles
- Contains water, inorganic ions, organic acids, sugars, enzymes (hydrolytic), secondary metabolites
- Protein-storing vacuoles (protein bodies) in seeds





Chloroplast/plastids



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Plastids

- Proplastids
- Etioplasts
- Amyloplasts
- Chromoplasts





Microbodies

- Peroxisomes
- Glyoxysomes
- Oleosomes





Cytoskeleton

- Microtubules
- Microfilaments
- Intermediate filaments



Plasmodesmata





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Cell Wall

- Primary
- Secondary
- Middle Lamella



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