



Learning objectives

- Phases of cell cycle with Importance of each phase
- Why is Meiosis important?
- Behavior of the chromosomes in Meiosis I and Meiosis II
- Plan of DNA content and number of chromosomes in each type of cell division
- Differences between Mitosis and Meiosis

DEFINITION

The time spent by the cell between its own birth and the birth of its daughter cells

Cell cycle

• Two Stages:

1. Mitosis (cell division)

2. Interphase



G0 can be converted to G1 If needed

INTERPHASE

G1 + S + G2 = INTERPHASE

G1 – Gap1 G2 – Gap 2 S - Synthesis





CELL-CYCLE

Minimum TWELVE hours

• CELL DIVISION- 1 HOUR

• INTERPHASE - 23 HOURS

• **G1** = 12 HOURS (10-12 hours)

• **S** = 07 HOURS (6-8 hours)

• G2 = 04 HOURS (2-4 hours)

G 1

- Cell responds to **GROWTH FACTOR**
- Once the decision is made it is irreversible Exceptions
- All molecular machinery for the future division is generated
- Tumour suppressor genes block G1
- Oncogenes work on G1

G 0

Cells retain the capacity to proliferate
 But NO cell division

- Growth factor stimulates cells from
 - $G0 \longrightarrow G1$ and S phase

e.g. damage to Liver cells due to disease may induce G0 to G1

Neurons-Permanently remain in G0

MOST CRUCIAL PHASE and also vulnerable



As tumor suppressor genes or

Oncogenes act on it

S Phase - DNA synthesis

- Each chromosome replicates to become Bipartite
 - **TWO Sister Chromatids identical copies**
- DNA content is doubled but chromosome number remains same
- Diploid amount of DNA becomes Tetraploid
- RNA, Proteins and histones are also synthesized
- Telomeres keep the integrity of the chromosomes during cell division

S Phase-- contd

Replication of DNA

is

- Not synchronous through all the chromosomes
- Not synchronous in a single chromosome
- Individual chromosomes have their own characteristic timings within the 6-8hours of S Phase
- Chromosome number remains same but it becomes double stranded



- Cell ready for division
- Synthesis of RNA and Proteins continue in G2 Phase
- Cell enlarges doubling its total mass.



Cell Divisions

Mitosis:

- Single division of Somatic cells
- Crucial for growth and differentiation.
- Parent cell produces identical daughter cells, which <u>Can</u> <u>undergo division</u> on their own.

Meiosis:

- -Two staged division of <u>Sex/Germ cells</u> creating FOUR haploid Gametes.
- Gametogenesis
- Parent cell divides and produces four gametes that are Not capable of further division.

Mitosis

A continuous process

2 Daughter cells have **SAME**

DNA content(Diploid) and Chromosomal number(23 pairs) Like Parent

S phase is CRUCIAL for Mitosis



PROPHASE

- Condensation Of Chromosome
- Beginning Of Formation Of Mitotic Spindles By Microtubules
- Centrioles Position Themselves To
 Opposite Poles
- Microtubules Organize From Poles To The Centre Of The Cell

PROMETAPHASE

- Nuclear Membrane Starts To Disintegrate
- Chromosomes Disperse Within The Cell
- Chromosomes Move To The Equator Of The Cell
- Microtubules Attach To The Kinetochore

METAPHASE

- Maximum Condensation Of The Chromosomes
- Positions Balanced By The Equal Force From Microtubules
- The Stage When Chromosomes Are Most Readily Seen

Metaphase Mitotic Spindle



- Blue- DNA
- Green- Tubulin in microtubules



- Sister Chromatids Now Become Independent Daughter Chromatids
- Chromatids Move To Opposite Poles

Anaphase



TELOPHASE

- Nuclear Membrane Reforms
- Cytoplasmic Cleavage
- Equal Division Of Cytoplasm With Cytoplasmic Organelles

Telophase







Overview

The cell cycle consists of

G₁ **phase**, the **first growth** phase

S phase, during which the DNA is replicated, where S stands for the Synthesis of DNA.

G₂ phase is the second growth phase, also the preparation phase

M phase or <u>mitosis</u> and <u>cytokinesis</u>, the actual <u>division</u> of the cell into

" two daughter cells"

The cell cycle stops at several checkpoints and can only proceed if certain conditions are met, for example, if the cell has reached a certain diameter.

Meiosis

- Process : **DILPOID** Cells To **HAPLOID** Gametes
- It Is Unique To Germ Cells
- Consists of only ONE Round Of S- Synthesis Followed By TWO Rounds Of Cell Division (Chromosomal Segregation)
- Male And Female Gametes Have Different History.
- Events Are Same But Timings Are Very Different

MI

Recombination of genes

Chromosome number is reduced to half

Meiosis

Stage 1.....M-I

- Preparation of cell division
- S phase is present so the DNA Amount is Tetraploid
- Resultant daughter cells have.....
 Diploid amount of DNA and Haploid number chromosome (Double Stranded)







Prophase I

- The chromosomes condense and migrate towards the nuclear envelope.
- Each chromosome is made up of two identical chromatids, known as sister chromatids.
- Formation of spindle fibers.
- Synapsis or pairing of homologous chromosomes takes place.
- The homologous chromosomes interchange equivalent sections of chromatids, which is a process known as crossing over.
- The chromosomes undergo thickening and move away from the nuclear envelope.
- The nuclear envelope and nucleoli disappear.



Long Prophase Divided in 5 stage

Crossing Over or **GENETIC RECOMBINATION**

Completed in first Four stages of Prophase

Most Vital phase for evolution

Leptotene

• Visible threads—condensation begins

Zygotene

Homologous chromosomes begin to align along their

entire length with SYNAPSIS

at corresponding DNA sequences

Pachytene

- Chromosomes Are Tightly Coiled
- Each Pair Appears As Bivalent(Tetrad)
- Meiotic Crossing Over Takes Place

Diplotene

- Synaptinemal Complex Breaks Down
- Two Components Begin To Separate
- Only Chiasma Holds Them Together
- Average Number Of Chiasmata -50

Metaphase I

- Pairing of bivalents or homologous chromosomes in the equatorial plane, in the center of the cell.
- The centromeres, a region in the chromosome where the chromatids are held together, are located in the opposite poles.

Anaphase I

- The chromosomes migrate to the opposite poles of the cell.
- The sister chromatids are not separated, but remain together.

Telophase I

- The chromosomes continue to migrate towards the poles.
- Both the poles have haploid number of chromosomes.
- Condensation of the chromosomes and cytokinesis (division of cytoplasm) take place
- Nuclear envelope starts forming.
- Two daughter cells with haploid chromosome number are formed.

Meiosis I - important events

CROSSING OVER

- Homologous pair comes in contact with the member of the pair-Join
- Exchange of the genetic material
- Pair disjoins
- Separates and moves to opposite pole in Anaphase

Meiosis II

Comprises the following four stages:

Prophase II

- The nucleoli and nuclear membrane are separated.
- The chromosomes start moving towards the equatorial plane.
- The two sister chromatids are still held by the centromere.

Metaphase II

- The chromosomes are aligned in the equator.
- The centromeres are oriented towards the opposite poles.

Anaphase II:

• The sister chromatids held at the centromere are separated by the spindle fibers.

Telophase II:

- Four nuclei (two each in a daughter cell) are formed, along with the process of cytokinesis.
- Each of the four nuclei develops a nuclear envelope.
- Four daughter cells or gametes are formed.

MII

No gap between MI and MII Therefore

NO DNA Synthesis Or Replication Prior To The Division

NO Synthesis phase





Meiosis

Second stage-MII is Like Mitosis No Prior S phase-Crucial to have haploid Gamete

- Resultant daughter cells have
 - 1)Haploid Amount of DNA and

2)Haploid number of (single stranded) Chromosomes Cytoplasmic division unequal in females and not fully complete in males

Genetic consequences of MEIOSIS

- Reduction of the chromosome number
 Diploid to Haploid
- Shuffling of genetic material by random assortment of the homologous chromosomes
- Additional shuffling of genes by crossing over which is critical for disjunction
- Segregation of alleles either at M-I or MII

Cell Behaviour

Cell fusion

 Cytoplasmic mass with common nucleie.g.Skeletal Muscle

Apoptosis

Internal activation of Suicide programme

It is a controlling mechanism of the growth

Necrosis

• Death of a cell due to tissue injury

