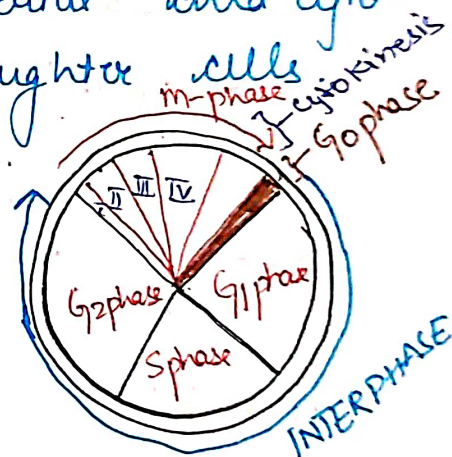


## CELL DIVISION / CELL REPLICATION

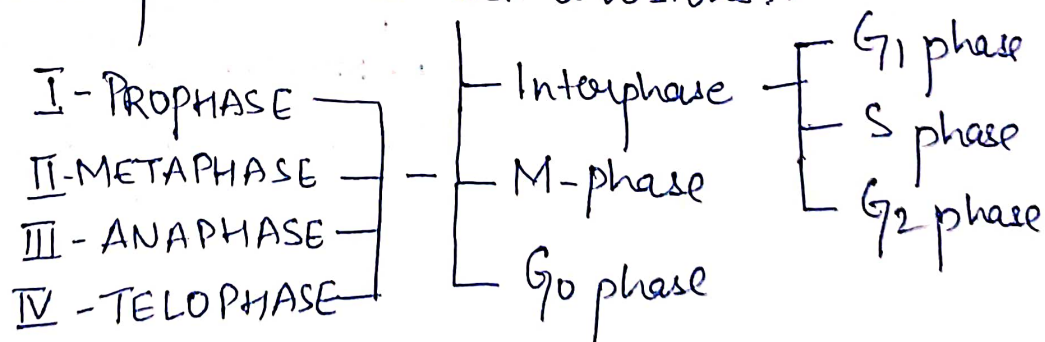
- Cell Division is the process in which a cell duplicates itself by dividing its genetic material.
- In prokaryotes, cell division takes place by simple Binary fission.
- In eukaryotes, cell division takes place by both sexual reproduction or vegetative involving the replication of DNA.
- Cell division is defined as a process by which a cell distributes its genetic material and cytoplasm and gives rise to new daughter cells.

Cell division are of two types :-

1. Mitosis
2. Meiosis



There are three phases in cell divisions :-



Interphase :- Primary phase before the cell division (Mitosis/ Meiosis).

- Cell decide whether it will undergo division or not.

- Stage at which cell gain of optimum growth nutrient and living mass before it decide to enter the cell division.

Interphase is divided into -

1.  $G_1$  phase :- RNA synthesis and protein synthesis occur at this stage.
2. S-phase :- (Synthesis phase)  
- There is a replication of DNA in this phase
3.  $G_2$ -phase :- In this phase the quantity of RNA and protein get doubled due to resynthesis of RNA and protein which undergo enlargement and growth before entering the mitotic stage.

### M-PHASE :-

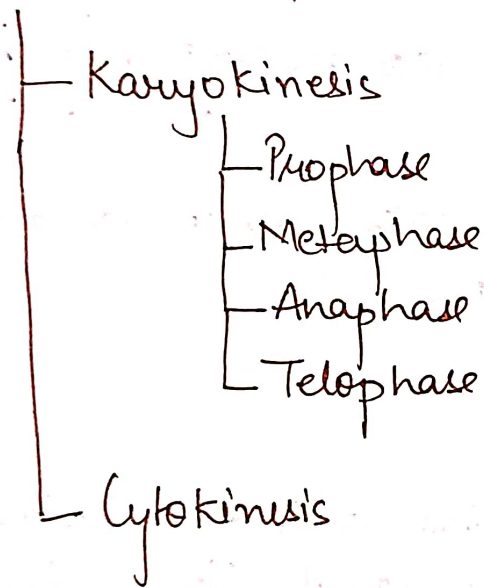
Completed in two steps.

- [ Karyokinesis (division of nucleus)
- [ Cytokinesis (division of cytoplasm)

## MITOSIS :-

- Also known as "Equational division".
- In this division one cell divides to produce two genetically identical daughter cells.
- Majority of cells of body undergo mitosis.
- This process is integral to an organism's body growth and development and it takes place throughout the organism's lifetime.

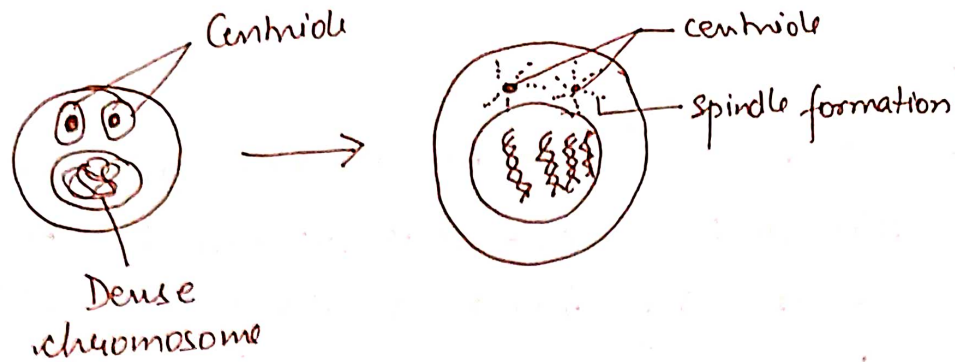
### mitosis



## PROPHASE :-

- In early prophase, the cell initiates cell division by breaking down some cell components and building other components and then division starts.
- Coiling of the chromosomes takes place.
- Elongation of the chromosomes occurs with shortening and thickening.





- The spindle starts to form a structure made of microtubules. It organizes the chromosomes and moves them around during mitosis. The mitotic spindle grows between the chromosomes of the cell as they move towards different poles.
- One chromosome finish condensing they form a compact structure.
- The nuclear envelope breaks down and the chromosomes are released.

### METAPHASE :-

- Metaphase starts when the mitotic spindle organizes all chromosomes and lines them up in the middle of the cell to divide.
- All chromosomes align at the metaphase plate.
- At this stage, the chromosomes should be attached to microtubules from opposite spindle poles. Before proceeding the cell will ~~check~~ check this.

### ANAPHASE :-

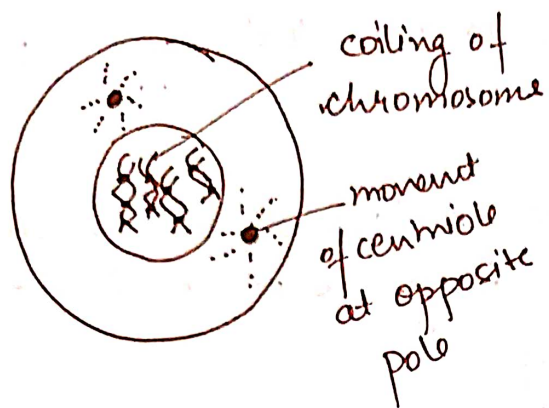
- At this stage, the sister chromatids separate from each other and move towards the opposite poles of the cell.
- Microtubules that are not attached to chromosomes elongate and push apart. They separate the poles and make the cell longer.

### TELOPHASE :-

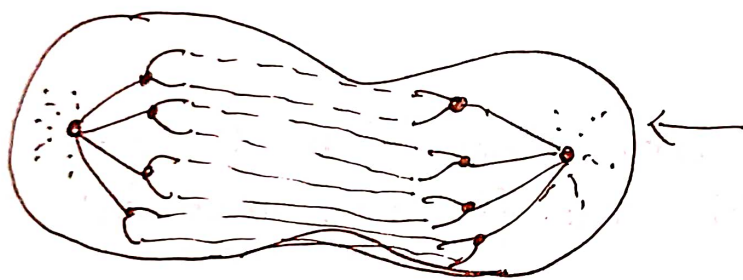
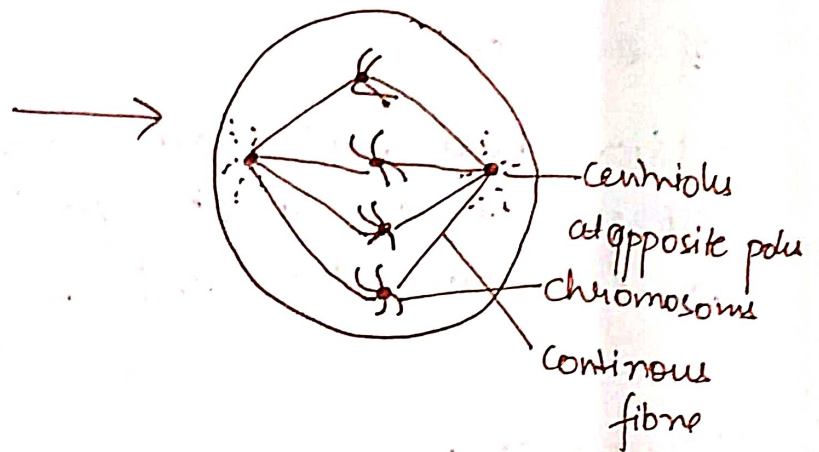
- The cell is almost divided and starts to re-establish its normal cellular structure as cytokinesis takes place.
- The mitotic spindle breaks down into building blocks and two nuclei are formed, one for each chromosome set.
- The nuclear membrane and the nucleoli then reappear and chromosomes begin to de-condense to return to their normal form.

### CYTOKINESIS :-

- Division of cell membrane / cell wall and formation of two daughter cells takes place.



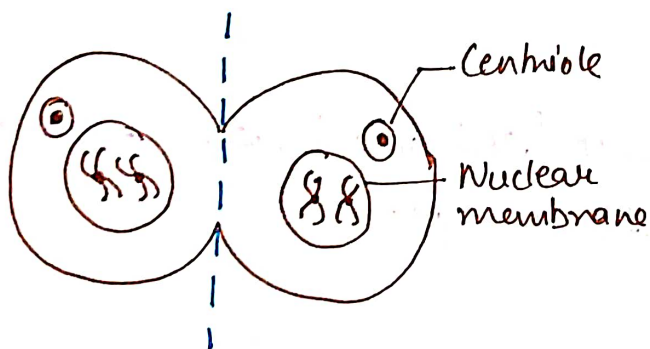
METAPHASE



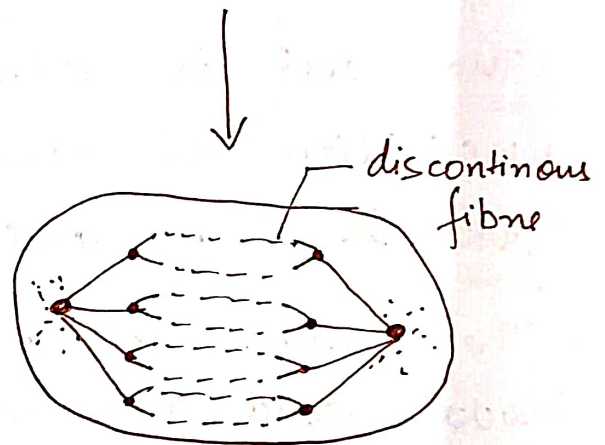
Movement of chromosomes at opposite pole

ANAPHASE

↓ formation of nuclear membrane starts

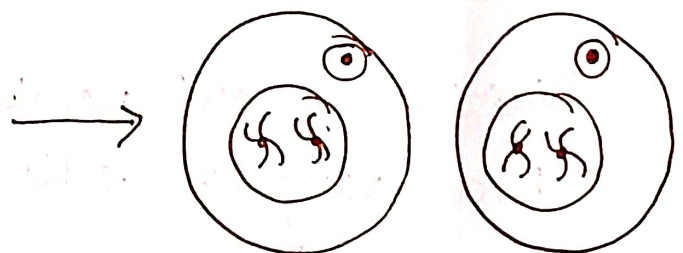


CYTOKINESIS



movement of chromosomes towards opposite pole

TELOPHASE



Two daughter cell