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# 1 | Diseases, an overview

Definition 1 · **\*\*Disease\*\*** an abnormal condition that causes impairment in/loss of function of an organism (a.k.a. decreased fitness) that is not due to immediate external injury.

## 1.1 | Causes of Disease

- Infectious agents
- Deficiency disorders
- Heritable factors
- Physiological disorders (immunodeficiency, autoimmune disorders, allergies, etc.)

## 1.2 | Types of Diseases

### 1.2.1 | Congenital Disease

Diseases present at birth due to DNA abnormalities / pregnancy pathological issues

### 1.2.2 | Acquired Disease

Diseases that begin during the lifetime due to exposure to some environmental factors...

- **Microorganism Invasion** => "infect