Major nutritional types

- Photolithotrophic autotrophy
 - Algae / Purple & Green Sulfur Bacteria / Cyanobacteria
- Photoorganotrophic heterotrophy
 - Purple Non-Sulfur Bacteria / Green Non-Sulfur Bacteria
- Chemolithotrophic autotrophy
 - Sulfur-Oxidizing Bacteria / Hydrogen Bacteria/ Nitrifying Bacteria / Iron-Oxidizing Bacteria
- Chemoorganotrophic heterotrophy
 - Protozoa / Fungi
 - Most Non-Photosynthetic Bacteria (incl. most pathogens)