

# CYTOLOGY NOTES

Zoo 125

(Zoo 226)

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See Fig. 6, p. 23 Wilson. The cell, general view.

Required Lab work:

4 drawings Golgi

8 drawings chondriosomes

in Bug of Guinea.

Technique references:

Lee '37 X

Bowen An Rec 38 (1938)

Romeis '32 Taschenrechner

Stende gives nicot  
results, but is difficult.

Murgantia sp. will be  
sent up. Other sp.:

Nigeria - large green bug, found on  
black gum trees with berries

Cassipourea Hirtella

Brachynema fruit trees

Anasa squash

Orthoptera: Derocostera

Mus

Do not anesthetize  
Dissect and fix immediately

Alexander (1932). In vital staining at low pH there is a suppression of granule formation, a staining of the nucleus and a diffuse staining of the cytoplasm. The stain effects are probably through  $C_H$  changes as pH is lowered at low pH.

Wilson, Introduction  
Sharp pp.

Cytology - history

Early work in embryology - Wolf, Malpighi

1838 Schleiden and Schwann. The cell is the unit of structure of the organism. Formed by de novo crystallization.  
Hof, Nägeli botanical aspects cell division  
Renald, Virchow 1852-55 omnia cellula e cellula

Modern Cytology, the basis of contemporary work, lies in 1880-1905: Van Beneden, the Hertwigs, Bowen, Wilson.

The basic questions in most fields have not really been answered but perhaps reformulated.

Theory of Fixation

The early cell lineage studies on Salpa, etc., were a lot of work, but only descriptive, not expository. Schleiden exhibits a rather cautious, cynical attitude to general fundamental progress. The feeling that "a little better microscope is the key to life" not well justified.

light as an abnormal factor.  
Thematology;

Strangeways & Canti QJMS 71

Belar ZIAV (1928)

Since 1875, cytologists have been called "cell embalmers" because of work on fixed dead cells. There are various trunks. Vital staining: - some abnormality introduced by dye.

Alexander histopl 17:161 1932

Usually cytoplasmic components are stained. Under conditions of high pH nucleus may stain somewhat in Chromium

Even unstained cells must be examined cautiously. Since cells are much more visible, observations have repeatedly been made on such cells. In tissue culture, optical conditions are never favorable.

It is amazing that anything comes out of fixation techniques.

Chromosomes are easier of technique than chondriosomes.  
Chondriosomes may never be globular.

The generalized picture of the cell — v. Wilson

All substances must pass through membrane; in some cases, only a plasma membrane; in others a definite cell membrane may be torn off.

Volgi usually in relation with central body.

In plants, no central body is present, but the spindle and chondriosomes act as if one were present.

Chromatin is defined as the material constituting the chromosomes, usually Feulgen positive.

### Ground substance of the cell

immersions of fibrillae, etc.?

With development of immersion lenses, in the '80s activity began on the fundamental structure of cytoplasm. In living cells this is not clear, but there are appearances in fixed material.

Siefing, Science 73 1931

Mitchell, Science 84 1936

Benda, Anat Rec. 72 1938

Banga & Syuk-Syugi, Sc 92 1940

Pollitzer, Physiol Zool 14 1941

Wilson '24 pp 57-78

Symposium on the Structure of Protoplasm 1942

Siefing Protoplasm

Fibrillae: thick cytoplasm complicated terminology.

A. Reticular (v. Benda) networks or crease

B. Filar (Flem., Hirschb.) discontinuous

Alveolar Butschli, Wilson microsomes  $> 2\mu$ .

microsomes. Living eggs seemed form like. hypoplasm.

seemed nucleoid. Also in some fixed pupae tissues.

But In annelid and echinoderm eggs are found yolk, pigment granules, etc., which are not particularly

essential. True alveoli are always  $\leq 2\mu$ , and under certain technical conditions anything might be identified with them.

granule defined as something angular.

Granular. The ultimate unit is a granule, the smaller ones are biojects (Altman) many of which are now recognized as mitochondria. Continuous phase neglected. Schmiede had seen these divided and concluded: more granule & granule. The biojects hypothetically are the same as Davin's pangeres and Weismann's biophores. When Altman's membrane his work was discounted. U. infra.

Wilson Ann. Natur. 60

Interest has been renewed: ideas such as structural protein, etc. and long molecules. The diluted structure protein is steady (long molecules).

See also: <sup>Pickens</sup> ~~Pickens~~ The Fine Structure

of Biological Systems: in  
(Perspective in Biochemistry)

Biol. Rev. 15:133 (1940)

Pollister indicates mitochondrial orientation parallel to direction of streaming <sup>and asters</sup>. This is believed to be due to the orientation of long molecules and the exclusion of mitochondria from the lines of flow. There are similar relations of chondriosomes and dictyosomes even in plant cells where the asters are not visible.

Bowen LaCellule 39:123 (1929)

Schmidt Protoplasma Monographs  
11 (1937)

Briefing these phenomena studied; indicate orientation in asters, spindles, (chromosomes?) No orientation outside the asters.

Early considerations are superseded. New attacks on a molecular level

General cytology considers the standard equipment of the cell:

Nucleus

Centrioles

Golgi

Mitochondria

(Plastids)

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Wilson '24 670-700

Centrioles

Heidenhain *Plasmazelle I*

The centriole is frequently found at the astine center of the cell. It is most readily seen at metaphase, where the astal-spindle poles point it out.

Bower *J. Morph.* 39:351 1924

Johnson *Z. wiss. Zool.* 140:115 1931

Goldstein *Biol. Bull.* 65:529 1933

In 1887 van Beneden and Boveri recognized its independent existence. The whole region is called a centrosome (Wilson, p 673...) The pole parts of the spindle and aster may stain more heavily and obscure the centriole. It is the centriole, the small granule at the center, that is the morphologically important and persistent structure. The centrosome is merely the confluence of astal rays.

Fry *Biol. Bull.* 54, 56, 63, 65

" *Anat. Rec.* 46, 56

Interstaining must be properly interpreted.

The superficially obvious function of the centriole is as the spindle regulator in mitosis.

see Heidenhain

← Rabl - all cells have 2 centrioles. ∴ the function in non-dividing cells is as an organizing center.

In epithelial cells, polarity is frequently determined by the position of centrioles.

If the centriole has a generally constant position, may it not have a general function?

(Similar to Golgi, see Boveri *Hdb.* 47:261 1928)

Cohn (1897) If epithelial cells reverse their polarity, the centriole moves, as in the enamel organ.

Between 1890 and 1910... a large literature on centrioles.

In epithelial cells, the distal centriole frequently bears a flagellum.

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Johann Anat. Abg. 43 1913

Centrioles: characterized by position, form, staining.

Benda Arch. Anat. Phys. (Phys.) 1901

Staining techniques are not too reliable.

Rényi Zeitsch. Anat. 73:338 1924

Few give negative (Cerothers?)

Walter Anat. Rec. 42 ✓ 1929

But perpetuation of cells and components usually is correlated with nucleic acids being present.

Kennedy Anat. Rec. 34 ✓ 1927

May be protein; probably not lipid  
In intestinal epithelium, stains like cement substance, which is probably polysaccharide.  
Still open question.

2 proved functions:

1. Organismic aster. In helioids with multiple centrioles, each develops an aster for the second division. Asters are rays of oriented protein molecules.
2. Blepharoplastic. *Fidicera flagellum formatoris*. Uniflagellate cells rather widespread. Sperm flagellum is best known.

Bowen J Morph. 39:351 (1924...)  
and previous ones.

Inverse centriole history in spermatogenesis, after 2nd maturation. Starts growth at Telophase II, then divides into p and d. The history of d, and d<sub>2</sub> does not yet seem rationalizable. Most commonly d<sub>2</sub> forms a ring. Possibly the distals are not entirely homologous.

See also history by Huettner, Schraden.

Huettner Z. Zellf. 19:119

Henneguy Arch. anatomie I ('28)

10/14 Blipharoplasts can act as division centers.

Henneguy + Finkhasser claim any vibratile processes arise from centriole; thus basal bodies of cilia are homologous with centrioles. Can a centriole multiply?

conclusion: can a ciliated cell divide?

Jordan claims ciliated cells divide amitotically. Presumed that before ciliogenesis, basal granules can be found.

But Benda, Gründel, Welter unmistakably showed mitosis in ciliated cells.

v. Mikulicz '34, oviduct epithelium. Appearance of flagella in "subepithelial" cells, still attached to granules. These may be leucocytes and degenerate epithelial cells, instead of a progressive process.

Pollister doubts that basal granules are products of ~~cilia~~ differentiation, but are centrioles, multiplication put as products of the cilium, which is not necessarily homologous with a flagellum.

Can centrioles multiply autonomously?

Boveri denied de novo formation.

Huettner has traced them through mitosis in Drosophila eggs. Benda in leucocytes; Vallentyne in Salpa, Pollister... The case for genetic continuity is clear. But occasionally de novo formation ~~does~~ occur: as in the spermatogenic divisions of kryptophyta and pteridophyta. In II, this centriole acts as a blipharoplast and multi-flagellate motile spores are formed. Thus the centriole is not a self-perpetuating body, but the

Modified mitosis?

Arduacero's filaments?

ciliogenesis

protopal analogies

Sturdivant J Morph  
Cleveland

1934

product of something which is, like the nucleus.  
In *Acetabularia* spermatocytes, the centriole is intranuclear.  
In many protozoa, an aster is organized within the nucleus.

Pollester PNAS 25  
" PNAS 39

10/16/42

1940

Atypical spermatogenesis and meiosis. *Dryoglycus*  
sperma as in *Tropax subcarinata*, other palmistates.

Perhaps because of physiological neutrality or pre-  
fertilization, some cells are abnormal —

Only 2 chromosomes segregate normally. In vitro-  
hivises, acentrics degenerate, though peculiar, vesicles. 1  
small nucleus with 2 chromosomes. At Anaphase II  
1 chromosome to each pole. Therefore there are only 4 centri-  
chromatids per quartet. A small nucleus is formed and  
karyogamogenesis follows.

In atypical oocytes, there is one centrosphere, but in  
debris. As they break up they can be counted. They double  
in number at Anaphase I. They are not centriole appo-  
tioned to the spermatids. Counts in Telophase II or  
early spermatid are certain.

The extra centrioles are comparable to the acentric  
chromatids. Therefore, the supernumerary centrioles are  
the accumulated centrioles.

This emphasizes the centriole - centromere relation-  
ship. All good cases of centriolar division in somatic cells  
occur at metaphase or later — after it has been in  
relation to the chromosomes through the spindle.  
In *vinepairia*, the centriole is Fulgure-negative.

"centriole is a material formed by the chromosome"

Other cases give strong evidence for nuclear origin: algae,  
etc. In *Marsilia*, the aster and centriole appear, as anti-ci-

patid in late anaphase, 3rd spermatogonial division.

Monasties?

In cytastric formation (which may be diffusion retus) centrioles may be present, but they do not occur before breakdown of germinal vesicle. v. Wilson.

Schneider Biol Bull 70 1936

In *Anopheles* spermatocytes, a distinct granule is seen as the kinetochore; stained very similarly to centriole. DeLinton proposes as much on theoretical grounds.

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Chondriosomes

Schultze (1861) recognized granulation in protoplasm.

All main bioblast theory, now known as mitochondria. Only granules are alive. Various shapes, sizes. Any stainable granules were included. Not all self-duplicating; many secretory structures.

The development of techniques stimulated research. Mitochondria have survived from the bioblast theory. Benda developed specific methods and differentiated mitochondria from other granules. Now an enormous literature.

2 older reviews:

Dunenberg Arch Zellf 6 (1910)

Universal occurrence probable.

Cowdry, Carnegie 271, 1918 (None later)

Bods of uniform diameter; rounded ends. All similar in any one type of cell. Might not be really granular; may be misinterpreted as such. Very easily distorted by a poor fixator. Specific artifact studies

Cowdry Gen. Cytology 1925.

Cowdry, NH Biol Bull 33 (1917)

Lewis & Lewis Gen. Cytology '24

Rumyantsev Arch Zellf (1926) (1923)

Oritschkow Arch mikrosk Anat

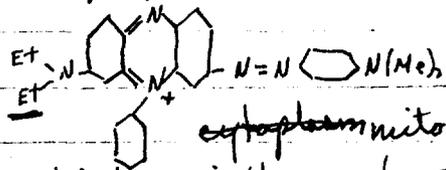
Bansley & Heath Anat Rec 57 (1933)

Shape of mitochondrion is reversibly affected by environment. Their orientation indicates a molecular structure of cytoplasm.

Michaelis Arch mikrosk Anat 55, 558 (1913)

Specific stain: Janus Green B

Cells very rapidly absorb



Cowdry Ann Anat 19:423 1916

Janus Green B into the cytoplasm mitochondria. They must absorb very highly since they are only .2  $\mu$  in diameter. Easily reduce the dye, anaerobically, through a rhodo and leuco form. The rhodo is diethyl safranin!! involving split molecule. The process is reversible!!!! Two ethyls are specifically required, and the phenosafranin.

Functional aspects:

Symbiotic organisms: Elfmann  
more recently by Wallin, Portier. Many morpho-  
logical resemblances to bacteria. Some instances  
of incipient bacterial symbioses now known. Altera-  
tions over geological time have led to present forms.  
They have never had any demonstrated significance.

Remarkable reorganization in  
some scorpion's spermato-  
genesis indicates some  
function! J.L.

Portier Les Symbiotes 1918  
Wallin Symbiotes... 1927

Claude has reported ribonucleic acid in granules from  
centrifuging, which may be mitochondria.

Claude CSHQ, B Sym. 9 (1941)

Pollester et al., ultraviolet studies indicate no differe-  
ntial absorption at 2600 Å. Considerable refraction.

Nikembense may not be  
chemically identical with  
mitochondrial precursors. J.L.

10/23/41  
Chemistry: Lipid and protein components. The lipids  
stain in the differential stain technique.

Regaud CRSB 6:718 (1908)

Regard: Rat testis. Pico formation;  $CrO_3$  preserved them.  
post-chrome required on basis of fat solubilities.

Fauré-Fremiet, Arch Anat Microsc  
11:457 (1910)

Fauré-Fremiet: similar results. Fat reaction in mitochon-  
dria found on cytolysis. Fat dissolved out; protein remains

Mayer, Rathen & Schaeffer  
J. de Phys & Path 16:607 (1914)  
ibid 1929

analogous with fats: only unsaturated lipids absorbed  
vital dyes. Scharlach Red is negative. Assume therefore  
a lipoprotein complex. Not determinable to be phospho-  
lipins. General statements to that effect may be

Guiraud Pr. 1:79 (1929)

erroneous. Various favorable evidences:

Bendisy & Hoer An Rec 60:449 '34

Russo: Lecithin injections increaseocyte mitochondria

Bendisy & Hoer An Rec 69:341 '37

Löwisch: Analogous with myelin structures in albumen,  
due to surface action. "phospholipid":

The melting point, density are higher than saturated fats  
in "UC" material. But protein condensation would account

Bendisy

Specificity?

for this

Muller's test is positive.

Spermatozoa are rich in phosphatides - perhaps in sperm tail?

Benedy isolated "mitochondria" from liver cells, by slow centrifugation. Proximate analysis of mass:

40% fat 60% protein. dry weight

Detailed fat analyses: (1937)

Protein (and unknowns) 64.67

100-200 mg samples

Lipoid: 35.33

as: glycerides 28.88%

lecithin 4.2%

Sterol 2.25%

Some X-ray studies indicate a periodic pattern in the mitochondria.

Claude: analysis of granules: 60% protein  
40% lipid, largely phospholipins.

Benedy Science Oct 1942.

Most recent: Benedy -

Lecithin 45-58% of the lipid content of liver "mitochondria". Therefore, there is appreciable phospholipins.

## Mitochondrial Function:

- Horning  
 Kochring J Morph
1. Enzymatic: 4 mixed types of proteolytic enzymes. (Ac-  
 tually all large molecules.
- Macdon Bioch J 17:851 '23  
 " Aust J Exp Biol 3:233 '26  
 Robertson, ib, 3:97 1926
- Macdon - but the specificity of Janus Green B is  
 not thus reflected. Robertson showed the leuco-form  
 does not precipitate enzymes, while mitochondria will  
 react in leuco form, if oxygen is later readmitted.
- Cowdry Amer Nat 60:157 '26  
 de Nowsy & ... Anat Rec 34:313 '27
- The Macdon school has a lipid orientation function; the  
 mitochondria increase the surface (see Cowdry, de Nowsy).  
 The lipid acts as a semi-molecular solvent, and acts as  
 an active surface for protoplasmic and exocytic synthesis.  
 (after Langmuir) Robertson has shown an increase in the  
 rate of synthesis of proteins in tryptic solutions, when lipid  
 is added as emulsion.
- Kingsbury An Rec 6:39 (1912)  
 Jolyet-Lavergne Pr. 6:84 ...
- Haasch Z. Zellf. 13:37 (1926)
- Duthie PRS B 114:20  
 Bowen G. Rev Biol 4:488 1929  
 Bowen Z. Zellf 9 1929
- de Nowsy & Cowdry: measured various surfaces of formed  
 components of pancreas cells. Assume, hypothetically, imita-  
 tion of semipermeable compounds on a granular adsorption.  
 see Paper.

### Hereditary factors?

Guillemond: Animal mitochondria homologous with  
 plant plastids. Conceivable factors in cytoplasmic inheri-  
 tance. Duration of self-perpetuation.

Meves, Benda, ... conceived a morphogenetic function, but  
 this was carried too far: the pre-embryological basis  
 of all fibrillae. Now abandoned.

Hirsch, Duthie: vital observations on pancreas cells.  
 The earliest zymogen granules appear basally in the pancreas cell, at mitochondrial surfaces!  
They have some function in myogenesis.

10/30. Homologies in plants -

In the meristematic cells, thread-like bodies appear which may be proplastids. Stain feebly with Janus Green B. There are also "mitochondria" which do not become plastids.

Guillemond 139  
 The Cytoplasm of the Plant Cell. Guillemond distinguishes between "active" mitochondria, the chondriome, which become plastids, and inactive mitochondria which are homologous.

Bowen '29, thought they could distinguish them <sup>by</sup> stain reactions.

Plastids contain ribonucleoproteins.

## SPERMATOGENESIS

There is very great variation in spermatozoa. They are more species characteristic than any other cell, and perhaps most readily analyzable.

There are 4 constant morphological components, derived from:

nucleus  $\rightarrow$  head...

Acroblast (Golgi)  $\rightarrow$  acrosome, "perforatorium",  
refringent granules.

Centriole - centriolar apparatus (flagellum).

Mitochondrial Apparatus....

Primitively, flagellated, with head anterior.

Acrosome may be anterior, sometimes lateral (Lepraemia)

or even posterior. Usually very small, but in the hemipteron *Notonecta* it is very large. The diminution of

this spermace:

Overall length - 1500  $\mu$

nucleus = 200  $\mu$

acrosome = 650  $\mu$

tail = 650  $\mu$

The acrosome is not a perforatorium in function!!

Some mitochondria are always present, always posterior to the nucleus. May grow down to form a middle piece or a special organ. [May contribute to skeletal rods in head.]

Significance is not clear. The symbioticians would claim that the perinuclear fusion may be a syngamy, or loss of identity. [Characteristic onion structure of ribosomes.] These mitochondria probably do not participate in ~~any~~ development of the egg.

Significance of the 5th layer (mitochondrial) granules in fertilization: cortical reaction !! ?

See Bowen & Morph 1922

Studies in Insect Spermogenesis

Wilson

Mitochondria in plant spermatogenesis??

Retyus: series of pictures...  
Koltzoff...

Fate of nucleolus in spermatogenesis?

Mitochondrial studies on sperm material, after extraction of nucleoprotein??  
Hatenby, Bowen

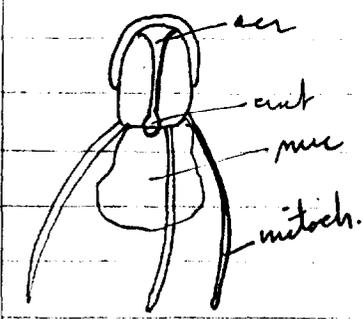
Non-flagellate sperm. (see Bowen's review.)  
Homologies are difficult to establish. The topography is changed; they must be on a morphogenetic basis. While there is a tremendous modification, the morphological features still are recognizable. Amoeboid and non-flagellate, atypical sperm are secondarily derived from the primitive flagellate sperm, best represented in mammals or lower chordates.

General features:  
Acrosome from Golgi secretion; Golgi itself lost with cytoplasm. Formation variable in time and place.  
Mitochondria free in spermated

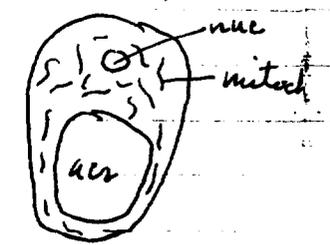
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Worley, La Cellule 48 '39  
Sturdivant J Morph '32  
Bowen Anat Rec 31 '25

Varcosis Decapoda: only part of the capsule is homologous with the acrosome: the stainable ring at the anterior end of the canal —



In Ascaris, non-motile, the 'refringent body' is the Golgi derivative



Further notes on spermatogenesis

## The Golgi Apparatus

Study of these elements waited upon the development of special techniques for their demonstration. They are impossible to see except in living spermatozoa. Silver impregnation techniques demonstrate them that the

ax<sup>on</sup> is just an outgrowth of the cyton, and the same  
 review: Huxley, G.C. *Protoplasm Monographien* (...) led Golgi to discover the internal apparatus  
 8 (1939). Form and now known as the Golgi apparatus. They were first  
 described as Golgi apparatus seen in the nerve cells of the owl. This network  
 cytoplasmic bibliography, but never met the surface of the cell; on the outside there  
 are nerve endings of different character 1898

Wissmann + Seuringhaus -  
 Anat Rec 1938  
 uncritical

Negri discovered the apparatus in many types of cells, including non-nervous tissue.  
 Cajal (1914) modified the technique, saw the Golgi in many tissues.

Leobis *Exp Biol II: 357* (1927)

Kopsch (1902) accidentally found the osmium tetroxide technique. Applied to many different tissues by v. Bergmann<sup>(1904)</sup>, particularly vertebrates. All histologists now use it widely.

Huxley investigated invertebrates 1912-1914.

Golgi techniques are rather capricious, variable. But the structures they do reveal, when they do, are rather consistent in structure, even throughout the animal kingdom.

Golgi described the apparatus as a series of strands broadening into plates and discs. Not reticular

Always a modified sheet, according to Pollister.  
An intermediate density of osmication is optimal for analysis; it permits 3-dimensional reconstruction.  
lines, dots mean threads  
areas, lines mean laminae

Nassonova 1928: H. Kudo. In invertebrates, they are usually organized into dictyosomes: cup-like structures.

Pollister GMS (1938) In Amphibia, they are fundamental circled collars. Frequently the thickness can be appreciated; this proves to be  $25\mu$ .

No Golgi rapid osm. method

11/6/42 Transition occur in invertebrate dictyosomes. In pulmonates they may run together. In each cell divisions the Golgi fragments, apparently diminishing in amount. In some early anaphase, the Golgi may almost disappear, reappearing at telophase.

Johnson

In late spermatogenesis, the Golgi is sloughed off, first breaking up. Each fragment is cup like. H. visible misinterpreted this as a multiplication.

The cup may be considered as a fundamental sort of crystalline, orientation of the Golgi material.

Ultracentrifuge shows its specific gravity between oil and mitochondria.

Skepticism has frequently been expressed as to the real existence of Golgi material in vertebrates. The invertebrate dictyosomes are easily seen. The acoblastic homology of Golgi is therefore stressed.

Why do acids destroy  
these structures like the  
dictyosomes and Golgi?

Hirschler Golgi as closed vesicles; osmophilic interior.

Hirsch Small granules. a Golgi cytoplasm. Synthesis of granular products. • • • • • May be mistaken as fat droplets.

1928 Parat Neutral red accumulates in vesicles, superficially resembling plant "vacuome" osmium system in the vacuoles. No organized Golgi apparatus. He concludes now however these types of formed components of cells: centrioles, dictyosomes and dictyosomes - Golgi.

Katenby, Bowen The one proved function of Golgi is the formation of the acrosome which secretes the acrosome in spermatogenesis. The acrosome however is still quite mysterious. The acrosome may be a single large cup, or a group of smaller ones.

1923 Nassonova In pancreas, secretory granules grow for most part at an osmophilic surface.

Cowdry Gen Cytology

The Golgi is usually quite polarized, and has been used to detect changes of polarity in enamel organ, thymus, etc.

Trypan blue is absorbed in the Golgi region, or rather ends up there after absorption. Indicates vacuolar or excretory, secretory functions.

Marcano Biol Bull  
Protozoa

62  
19

Plant homologous to Golgi

Green, Zytisch Zellf 6:629 1928

Asmophil platelets, believed by Kiyohara to be stages of plastids

Weier A. J. B. 29

Plastids may have lamellar structure, are asmophile, participate in leucosphere production in bryophytes. But mitochondria, proplastids are also homologizable.

Des Adv Anatomy Blk.

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## CELL DIVISION

Amitosis no longer upheld by cytologists. No future in it! Even amoeba, supposedly dividing by binary fission actually has a modified pro-mitosis. Pathologists, working on relatively badly fix material are the general supporters of amitosis, now conceded in only a very few cases.

Modified mitosis?

"Indirect division; karyokinesis Mitosis.

Define phases -

Interphase, 'resting' phase. Loose, flocculent, almost homogeneous nuclei (chromatin) with ordinary fibrillaries.

Prophase - loose stuff into a thready form, gradually forms chromosomes. Usually in this phase splitting appears obviously and suddenly.

Metaphase - chromosomes congress, coarctate. Simultaneously the spindle appears, the nuclear wall disappears.

Anaphase - separation of chromosomes to opposite poles.

Telophase - chromosomes become diffuse, nuclear wall is reformed.

Interphase -

Little agreement on time relations.

Spindle, in ideal zoological form, amphiaxial

 In many cases, apparently, anaaxial. But the presence or absence of centrioles is not

so important as the existence of an aster or a fundamental axial configuration (rhodospirillum in plants).

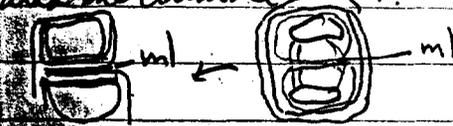
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Cell Walls (after Wilson)

Plasma membrane - peripheral cytoplasm, numerous  
"True" membrane - maybe lacking; secretory prot

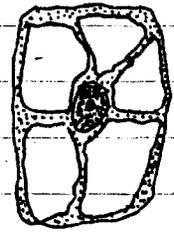
Proximate relationships of the Plant Cell Division

middle lamella, plasma membranes and the cellulose wall??



The phragmoplast is an organ derived from the interzonal spindle. By running together of the fibres, a cell plate is formed which becomes continuous with the plasma membrane.

Went & Black PNAS 26 (1940)



Green vacuolated cells can divide, especially on wound stimulators. A strand of cytoplasm exists in the lumen of the cell plate.  
← phragmosome. Orientation during prophase.

Jolles

See Sloup.

Duration of Mitosis. Tremendous differences in opinion and species variation. In following Tabulation, telophase and interphase are combined:

Schrad  
E. H. Lau

|  | Pro | Meta | Ana | Telo-Inter |
|--|-----|------|-----|------------|
| Lewis & Lewis In Rec 13 (1917) Mesenchyme, 39° | 35  | 5    | 3   | 50         |
| Zimmerman Z. Biol 15 (1923) Sphaeroclin        | 10  | 7    | 4   | 9          |
| Laughlin Can 265                               | 55  | 1    | 1   | 35         |
| Delmercity J Morph 69 (1941) Dros. egg         | 4   | .3   | 1.0 | 4.3 !      |

Analog  
Cell is a  
Seal

In general, we can say that there is considerable variation, but that meta, and anaphase are generally the most rapid.

Erlanger  
McClendon  
Robertson



Spels Arch Entom 44 (1918) Robertson employed soaked linen thread; but the furrow appeared at the wrong place; he may have touched the drop and he used a floating drop of oil. Did not mix; negative conversion.

Spick repeated earlier experiments; used solid NaOH. Critical of earlier technique. He noted analogous currents in various eggs.

Enghes. Polar lobe formation, blebs at anaphase.

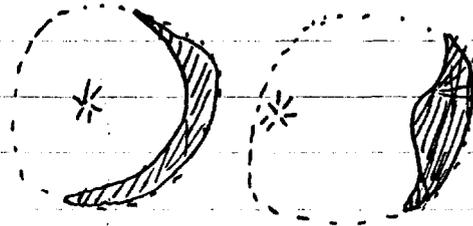
Just Am J Ph. 61 (1922) Echinaster (In hypotony) eggs burst at poles.

?? Reconstruction of cell wall at furrow

Dau, Yanozita, Sugiyama P. 28 '37 Marked egg surface with kaolin particles, and followed their movement.

2. Hyaloplasm. The cleavage furrow is preceded by the hyaloplasm, "cleavage head" but correlates with monasteria:

Peintner, J. Exp. Zool 24 (1918)



Heckert Arch Entom 9 (1900) But, also... There is no hyaloplasm in Ca-free seawater but such eggs do cleave.

Fry J. Exp. Zool 43 (1925)

3. Asters. a. No cleavage in monoastrial eggs. If there are more than two, furrows appear between all of them. No spindle is formed necessarily for cleavage. The size of cleaved cells is proportional to the size of the asters. But complete cleavage is rare. The aster therefore is of some importance.

Chamber J. Exp. Zool 23 (1917)

Detergent effects?  
Forces of centric movement.

The aster is usually faintly visible *in vivo*. The aster may be produced by a system of centrifugal lines of flow. As its growth, the homogeneous central material increases. [Echinoderm eggs.] Attempt to demonstrate this movement by injection of carmine particles, but this may have been seen between rays.

Crenation of normal eggs?

Pollester '41: canals are not sealed, but the diffusion stream overtakes long molecules. Current flows between them.

Heilbrunn J. Exp. Zool 30 (20)

Astral rays are gel strings. In centrifuge experiments the entire figure was displaced, bodily. ~~Even~~ Conspiration of cell surface. (Regeneration of elastic mitotic hypotheses.)  
What then moves the centriole? <sup>W. H. Anderson</sup> There is some small movement of them sometimes, but in other cases not.

Viscosity changes (Heilbrunn, Chamber; Fry & Parks)

Greatest increase just before the anaphase cleavage. As you increase the polar surface, division ensues.

Gray.... (B) Exp. Biol; Biol Rev 1:)

11/12/42 NUCLEAR DIVISION

1. The separation of chromosome halves.

Clearly splitting occurs very early in mitosis, possibly in preceding anaphase. Has no relation to the achromatic figure. The earliest steps of anaphase is autonomous of spindle and aster.

a. If a chromosome gets lost from its group. Possibly acentric chromosomes split autonomously also.

b. Endomitosis (polysomaty): A division of chromosomes in the nucleus; halves never separate very far. As seen, some cells continue to endomitosis as indicated by the multiplication of pyrenotic X.

c. Monastical in *Echinoderm* eggs, after Mechanical disturbance.

d. "deleterious conditions" cause disappearance of spindle and aster. the chromosomes continue to divide. (to 128 ploidy).

e. C-Mitosis

This autonomous migration is very limited.

Centros do not disappear under either treatment; the centros divide, producing polycentric eggs; to 64 centros. after recovery, new asters form from centros.

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THEORIES OF MITOSIS

Electrostatic theory. Largely based on various attraction and repulsion, on the similarity of the mitotic figure to electrical lines of force. Asters would have to be of different signs.

Heitler

Induced by heterococci; true bifurcation in the nucleus; halves never separate very far. As seen, some cells continue to endomitosis as indicated by the multiplication of pyrenotic X.

*Astragalus*

Valkenburg

*Gulch, Spinacia*

Burger.

(*Diosiphila*)

Wilson, Tillie

Lavan, Ledberg...

How colchicine dissolves out spindles once formed? Yes??

See Hawley 128 (anoxia)

Fundamental objections:

1. Diagonal figures, quadric, bipolar figures
2. If asters are of different sign, they should attract each other.
4. The peripheral rays cross!

Various formulations

lots of like signs and chromosomes of the other sign. But spindles occur without chromosomes. In many cases spindles form completely before breakdown of nuclear membrane.

1 pole is more neutral than the other (s) in di and multipolar. Only very small remnants of asexual type figures.

Gallardo where?

Haeckel

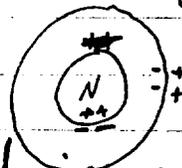
Lillie, BS Am J Phys 15 1905  
 Morph 22 1911  
 Lady, McClendon, etc.

More thorough electrical theory of mitosis. Electrical analogues. Cells with high dielectric constant cataphoresis anodically

Curney + Klein Biol Bull 72 '37

Supports charge on salivary chromosomes. (-)

Lillie see paper. In mitophase:



"What initiates

Static or magnetic?  
 Floating coils models.

mitosis is a local increase in permeability at the poles, neutralizing the dipole. Then the negative cytoplasm develops line of force to the poles. The centric band chromosomes all have negative charges. At anaphase the charges reverse. This scheme has been adopted uncritically by various cytogeneticists.

But:

Pearse 1941

1. Magnetic fields have no known influence
2. Hydrostatic pressure, although presumably not directly an electrical agent, does affect anaphase movement.

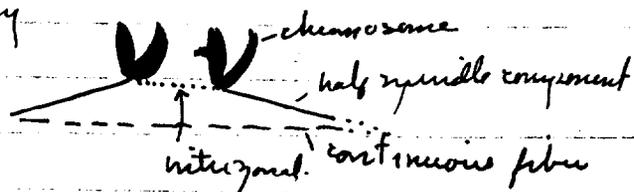
## Morphology of the Achromaster.

Cooper PNAS 27:480 1941

1. (Aster). Easily seen *in vivo*. The spindle is only a clear zone, outlined by mitochondria, with no visible fibrillar structure, usually. But, see — on *Pediculopsis*. In this case, there are neither centrosomes nor asters. The spindle is more vacuous than the  $F_2$  cytoplasm.

Chambers &amp; Sands J.N.P. 5 123

## Terminology



The continuous fiber is generally very fine and at the limit of visibility. Half-spindle fibers may attach to continuous fibers (by a chromosome fiber).

The mitozymal generally seems structureless if there is a distinct half spindle.

Boveri: spindle derived from achoplasm; this is probably a Golgi remnant.

Butschli: transformation of cytoplasmic droplets

Lilli, R.S. Polarization; orientation of long molecules.

## Thixotropy

Lavis 1910

In some cases (Amoeb, Bryozoa) spindle is made of cytoplasmic materials, and may be formed before nuclear membrane breakdown. The centros are involved

in spindle formation. The chromosomes migrate (congregate) to the spindle fibers and attach to them (with coorientation).

More commonly, the centers are amphipolar before spindle formation, and the fibers grow toward each other, meet and fuse!! The nuclear membrane becomes corrugated by the active impinging of the fibers! They rupture, and pierce the nuclear wall, and penetrate, etc.

as in the fungus of *affin* J Morph 15 1899

In Hemiptera heteroptera there is an outpushing of the nucleus at various points toward the centers at an early stage. The cytologist cannot distinguish actual impinging from that of spindles.

Science 81: 598 (1935)

Cleveland upholds this view, on *Pteroparastichus*

which?

There exist spindles without continuous fibers

There exist acentric spindles

If acentric formed spindles, the asters would have to connect only with chromosomes

If there is an extra nuclear spindle, it consists only of continuous fibers until the nuclear wall breaks down.

Special cases:

Belling J Gen 18 (1927)

Univalents in heteroploids; form separate spindles

In *Drosophila* (hybrids) in flattened cells, independent spindle components



Hughes-Schuler J Morph 39 (1924) 2. Zellf 13 (1931)

(*Plavasia*, *Neurococcus*) In late prophase the half spindle components are independent. Later

Compound fibers with  
isolated kinetochore?

Belai

Ellenkorn 2. Zell 20

Schneider

Intergal Fiedler position

These orient so that chromosomes are on a plane.

These half spindles are intranuclear, clearly.

Then, in *Ilavida* the chromosomes organize the half spindle components.

The intergal is part of the continuous fibers, and not a monomorph. The chromosomes slide along the continuous fibers.

The intergal is the trail or track left in the nuclear material by the moving ~~intergal~~ ~~chromosomes~~ some.

(Particularly in *Syromastes*, other bugs): a hypothetical sheath about chromosome. This is drawn out into a collapsed tube. In some cases, low density of medium, etc., these may present a circular cross-section.

Infota: Cleveland maintains a cytoplasmic spindle  
Wada a nuclear origin

1. In living figures, asters are visible; spindles with  
fibers can be seen in asters? in *Protogon*?

11/27/42 The Reality of Spindle Fibers.

Artifact opposition...

Do these some morphological (not yet microscopical) basis for spindle structure?"

Contra:

1. In visible in vivo

2. In microdissection, pulling in half-spindles should cause chromosomes to move; fibers cannot be

Chambers, Gen Cyt

- pulled out of the spindle. He neglected, however, to fix the material in final configuration.
- Lewis, H.R. Bull. Johns Hopkins Hospital 34 1923 3 In fibroblast mitosis, acid conditions cause a reversible denaturation of the spindle.
- Gregoire 4. In a very good fixation, fibres do not appear. [Stain reactions may be a factor]
- Pro:
- Cooper, (Schneider) 1. In some coccid, aphid oocytes they can be seen in spindle at metaphase, but these may be semi-morbid.
- Leber, Arch. Entw. 118 (1929) 437 2. a. In hypertonic media, spindles contract laterally, may bend. Shortening lines of force would not lead to a bending.
- ? b. Spindles may be split, always longitudinal. (The possibility of reversible coagulation must be considered).
- ? c. Brinman's movement within spindles is limited to the longitudinal direction. But very few cells recover if treated at metaphase.
- Schneider Biol. Bull. (1934) Centrifugation bending; species variations.
- Schultze Chromosoma 1939 Perhaps the final word on the matter is the birefringence: in schizodermis eggs.
- Schmitt Coll. Net 15 1940 These deal with the  $\frac{1}{2}$  spindle component.

The interyema persist after telophase, particularly in some Orthoptera, even for several divisions. Series of four would not persist past the new nuclear wall. They stain somewhat differently; The interyema are easily

Emphaneis effluens distorted.

geb., Fortsch. d. Zool 8 (1935) H. Uchida has a fantastic theory of the persistence of spindle fibrillae.

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Further required laboratory: pleurocoelus nitens  
3 Feulgen slides.

Further on spindles.

KINETOCHORE

Many synonyms: centromere, spat pt., kinomen and kinosome; primary constriction.

Schradu Biol Bull 1936

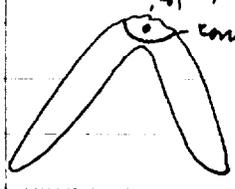
1. If there is a well defined half spindle fiber it goes to a particular spot on the chromosome.
2. At anaphase, this spot leads the chromosome poleward
3. In acentrics, the chromosomes cannot preferentially persist mitotically. The loss of the chromosome need not occur immediately.

Not really

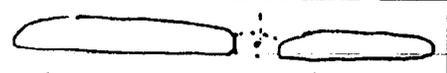
Most of our knowledge is recent. One "constriction" is always associated with the fiber. These are by definition primary. Others, called secondary, may be associated with nucleoli. In some cases, the region is more chromatic.

see Chromosoma 1 (1939)  
Amphicoma, other  
Amphibia

Analysis rather complete. Chondrosomal tetraploids, with overfixation, demonstrate the kinetochores; with finest differentiation a granule can be seen within. The kinetochores is different from the rest of the chromosome. Most easily demonstrated in arachnids, mammals.



At metaphase: (?)



Plant homologs obscure. In Tradescantia, and others, there is a projecting knob (sometimes double), which

Kopach & Chromosoma 1 '40  
Iwata Jap J Bot 140

Frulgy positive  
In Zea there is a large kinetochores at pachytene, a clear knob. At anaphase, there is a knob (Darlington)  
Consider that many have centriole.

Deeser in pl

Tjebkowsky 2. Ziff 10 (1930)

The spindle spherule divides first.

In living grasshopper, there is a gap at the point.

In *Deceatulus*, there may be a centriole-like substance.

Rhodes Genet 21

25 1940

No case known to persist with a "terminal" kinetochore  
irrevocably lost.Cytological many organisms appear to have  
telomitic chromosomes. Ends of chromosomes are  
peculiar Telomeres.

Hinton &amp; Atwood PNAS 1940

1940

peculiar Telomeres.

McClintock Genetics 23 (1938)

By X-ray, the kinetochore can be split functionally,  
The high frequency of such splits is disturbing.

Daughton J. Genet. 37 (1939)

?

Misdivision of the centromere (*Fritillaria* spp., certain  
forms) leading to isochromosomes, branched  
chromosomes, etc. (The centromere may be pulled  
out.) Probably the essential part is fibrous, in a fluid  
matrix. Acc. Nybel: oriented micelles, permitted crys-  
talline beaks.

Misdivision maybe origin of attached X.

Conception of diffuse kinetochore

There is <sup>(little)</sup> no experimental basis for a kinosome-  
Test for terminal ~~kinosome~~ kinosome: centriole relation, but a good, generalized idea. See  
Edels → isochromosome temporarily. Pollester....

Hughes Schwabe &amp; Rio JER 1942

Localized & diffuse kinetochore. → localized kinetochore  
diffuse into it region.

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## WHY DO CHROMOSOMES MOVE

(No consistent hypotheses)

1. Chromosomes pulled to pole by half-spindle fibres.

Artifact

2. up force

a. As chromosomes move the fibres do not thicken

b. Where there is a large centrosome the chromosomes

maybe brought past the point of chromosome attachment.

c. Quintal interzones (should be in tension)

d. Reestablishment of metaphase: how?

[Wetere' proposes push: to equilibrium position: How anaphase?]

See Rastbach, Bull Math Biophys '42

2. Diffusion currents [many botanists]

An apparatus is essential for demarcation of currents.

Schaede Beitr Biol Pfl. 19 (1931)

The currents start at center, mid, and corner.

Honeycomb spindle: But fibres are attached to chromosomes, particularly bi-intochores

Bilal notes: If cytoplasmic currents are stopped, the chromosomes continue to move.

Stickers of plant chromosomes.

Is there then, normally, a spindle current????

V-shapes in apple chromosomes.

Univalent X-chromosomes, move differently. If there are currents, should be no differential.

3. Taut, Cannon... Hydrostatic waves, in resonance, induced by oscillation or pulsation of the centriole and possibly the kinome. A change of density of the chromosomes at metaphase must be presumed. The kinome must also vibrate if the forces are to be localized. Case of anastrial, acentric spindles. Proximal centros are seen to move, but irregularly and slowly within the centrosome.

See Wassermann

29.

Wassermann

Handb. d. mikr. anat. d. Menschen.  
Vol II

Monatsh. Biol. Bull. 1933 Science

Movement is due to "directed viscosity changes".  
Physically sustainable.

Handb. d. Phys. 77 1937  
PNAS 21 1935

Teorell Diffusion potentials can arise by nonequilibrium situations; may modify function of chemical reactions.

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Arch. Entwurf. 118: 446-456

Béla

1. Asexual chromosome division is autonomous.
2. Spindle contains only continuous fibers.
3. Chromosomes are pushed into the equator by the growing out of fibers from both poles.
4. Kinetochore secretes some adhesive substance and attaches to spindle. When attached, the chromosomes are pushed to the equatorial plane.
5. The secretion runs up the continuous fibers toward the poles. This secretion is called the Zygofaser.
6. First split and movement autonomous.
7. The Zygofaser slides with the chromosomes.
8. 3 mechanisms for further movement.
  - a. Sliding along the Zygofaser.
  - b. contraction of Zygofaser
  - c. expansion of continuous fibers = Stems

In Artemisia, there is no expansion of the Stemskörper, or is distance between centrioles.

Lagging of univalent, in grasshoppers with large Stemskörper.

Spindles are not all continuous fibers (kinetochore).

PS B121

(1936)

Fittler

or paired.

Dadlington: Electrostatic, after Hillie

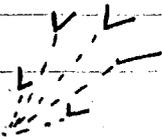
1. Unsplit genes attract; split, repel split. After splitting the repel; in meiosis chiasmata hold chromosomes together. At late metaphase prophase the chromosomes are already split, repel any other chromosome. This accounts for the universal dialinetic repulsions.

The centus go polewise, mutually repelling. Spindle is established through a "redistribution of water". The chromosomes have kinetochores, but these do not split for a time. The first anaphase movement is the autonomous specific repulsion. The chromosomes reached the metaphase by centric repulsion. Their charge now wanes, and the chromosomes go poleward.

Does not take expansion of stem height into account

Schradu

Anisolebis; 1. Chromosomes attracted to centus of dialinetic 2. When nuclear membrane breaks down, the chromosomes congress. The nuclear membrane must play some role. The metaphase is then set up quite orthodoxly. The ends of chromosomes must be rather peculiar for they are specifically attracted in the pachytene banded. (This is true also for chromosomes with subterminal kinetochore.)



The cases of Scaris and Meiomethus must be considered. Before division the chromosomes aggregate about the centus. Then a monocentric mitosis; the V's are all pointed centrally; some chromosomes move away. Finally, the spindle fibers impede the movement. Autonomous chromosome movement proposed.

Mety cytologia 7 1936

Scott J Morph 59 1936

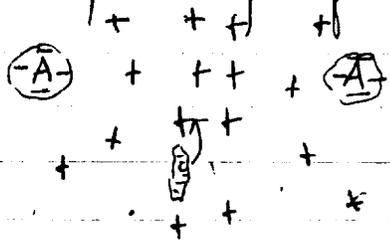
Kirony Proc Bull 71:375 (1936)

FURTHER ON MITOTIC MECHANISM

The Electrostatic hypothesis proposed by RS Lillie  
 Lillie Am J Physiol 15:46-84 (1905) The first to emphasize (if hastily & erroneously) the colloid character of protoplasmic substrates. His work must be considered in the light of modern knowledge of double layer phenomena, and of diffusion potentials. The Donnan equilibrium expressions had not yet been formulated.

Chromatin, particularly chromosomes, are strongly electro-negative, or acid. The appearance of chromosomes in the central equatorial region is due to the center's being also negative, and the highest concentration of electropositivity at equator.

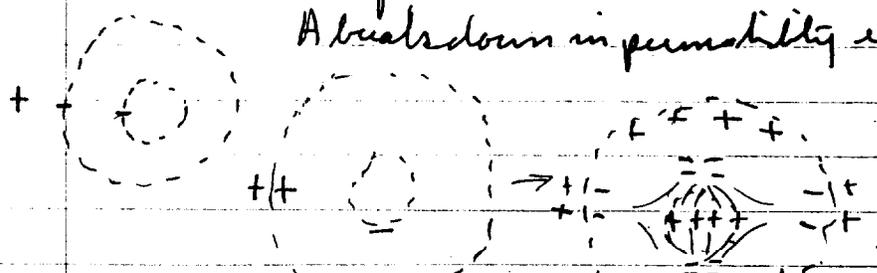
$NCl^{\circ} \rightleftharpoons NCl^{-} + \oplus$   
 One cannot assume a concentrated + ionic charge. Must assume a uniform distribution of mutually repelling  $\oplus$  charges, even if they arise from chromatin dissociation. In this event, considers: reciprocal repulsion would not centralize a chromosome; reciprocal attraction is a system of high instability because of the  $1/R^2$  law.



The basic assumptions, therefore, at metaphase are polar repellent and inter axial attractive field, with mutual chromosome repulsion. Models are reported of floating magnets, spermines, etc.

Lillie J Moch <sup>22:615-720</sup> (1911)

A more adequate theoretical basis is established  
 A breakdown in permeability equatorially



Then a change in shape must be assumed.  $\oplus \oplus \oplus \oplus$

mitotic  
mechanisms

What are the general conditions that must be satisfied by a theory of mitosis:

"Diffuse kinetochores" can be regarded as a limiting case of multiple kinetochores.

1. Localized application of force to the kinetochore region.
2. Stable equilibrium, at metaphase
3. The existence of spindle fibers
4. A marked "sternum" in the interphase in some cases; its absence in others.
5. Anastral, acentric mitosis
6. Specificity of action: *perococcus* or lagging X.
7. The anomalous cases of *Sarcina*, *Micromalthus* and, in microbes
8. Body repulsion at diakinesis
9. Synaptic attraction; saturation
10. In *Amoeba*, the centriole-chromosome attraction
11. The division of the eukaryote.

ALSO

12. Autonomous split in c-mitosis, etc.
13. Pressure inhibition of chromosome movement
14. Anisotropy of the spindle
15. Coorientation and congression
16. Specificity of metaphase pattern, even in polyploid.
17. Low rich cytoplasm. High Dielectric constant.
18. Existence and orientation of multipolar spindles, and the chromosome movements resulting.

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## NUCLEOLI

Plasmosomes and karyosomes.

↓ heteropycnosis of chromosome or part of it

Mottier '99

Gray

heavier than rest of nucleus. Generally visible in vivo. May be heterogeneous. Old rules of basophilia are inadequate, particularly in oogenesis.

The Feulgen (Light Green) reaction is now employed. But almost certainly some Feulgen negative components exist in the chromosomes.

In most animals there is no plasmosome at anaphase; reappears in telophase. May sometimes be lost in the spindle, and drawn out considerably. But there is no direct continuity of the plasmosome from generation to generation.

In the lower vertebrate eggs, the plasmosome fragments into particles which may look like chromosomes, but are only karyopycnic threads than the latter. The plasmosomes here are Feulgen negative.

Amphinucliole In *Crilus* (Hemiptera) the karyosome increases and accretes the plasmosome; the chromosomes (compound X) breaking apart. Finally they leave the plasmosome for the spindle.

Agar BMS67 1923

In *Marsupalia*, a "mix-up" amphinucliole. Toward metaphase, the components segregate. Acc. to Agar, this is a friction artifact, the friction contracting the chromosome and forcing out a more highly meshed shell of the chromosome.

function:

1. Paragenoplastin — Too many cases of persistent nucleoli

2. Relation to chromosomes: In some animals the nucleolus is huge relative to the chromosomes which encase.

3. Secretion, yolk formation —

Schreiner *Arch. micr. Anat.* 89:92 (1916) Myxine slime cells, very active in the young. (1 fish is an inevitable burlap, after McDelgar). Development traced. Young cells show budding of nucleolus; squeeze through nuclear membrane.

Beams & W. *J. Morph.* 47 (1929)  
 Gardner *J. Morph.* 44 (1927)

Similar phenomena in trichopteran insect — Caddis Fly larva; detailed account in *deuto-genesis*, *Termites* eggs —

After the ultimate germinis, no plasmosome. As egg grows, small irregular lumps in the cytoplasm; later, similar lumps in the nucleus; decrease proportional to increase. Lumps fuse.

Chondriosomes then appear in the cytoplasm. Simultaneously plasmosome has budded, extended in cytoplasm, chondriosomes & Golgi aggregate. Yolk sphaeres appear at the aggregates. "That for plasmosomes!" During emission, high P content as shown by (W.H., 1916) test.

Apparently not all plasmosomes are related specifically to chromosomes.

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## Relation to chromosomes.

Zygomis

Zirkle, C. Bot Mag 86 (1928)

Plasmosome present at telophase; in early prophase the plasmosome connects with a chromosome. The plasmosome decreases in size; it is interpreted as filling the inside of a hollow tubular chromosome.

(See Fikry). But the chromosome is not a hollow tube; the spine is not continuous.

Herty, Z. AV 70:405 (1935)

Planta 12: (1931)

Loeber, J. Bot 80 (1934)

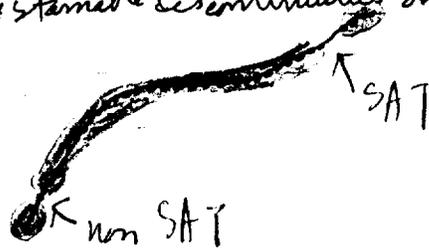
"Secondary constitution" appearance varies. Usually nothing more than a gap. Satellites (SAT). In some cases association with the plasmosomes. In early telophase, the nucleolar globule increases. In a few cases, the plasmosome is formed as a collar at the SAT.

Balbiani - Chromosomes

McClintock, Z. Zell 21 (1934)

By X-Ray split of the organism at (VI), a heteropycnotic region, the relationship between nucleolus, organizer and matrix was established....  
(Geith opposes this interpretation).

Chromosome structure  
ultra-stamable isocentrioles on it (chromosomes)



There is more than one kind of plasmosome; do not generalize.

THE GERM CELL

Darwin

Gemmulae (submicroscopic, hypothetical units) at some time the gemmules are circulated and gather in particular, which accumulated themselves.

Weismann

"Determinants" In differentiation, a germ cell is set aside, an undifferentiated cell.

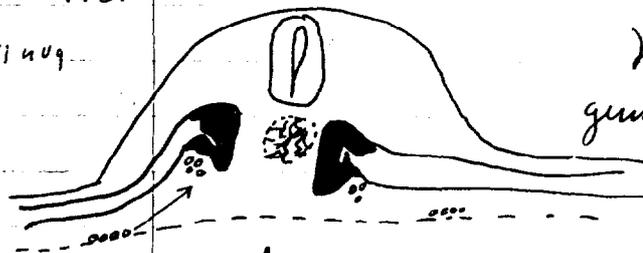
Now recognized that all cells essentially have identical genotypes. Germ cells generally "immortal" Some somatics also (vegt. propagation). Consider the parasitic role of the germ cell.

? point of optical differentiation of the germ in vertebrates  
 ceaseless, (fertile) controversy!! Usually primordial germ cells have a large hypochromatic nucleus.  
 Waldeyer: - rather late differentiation, from epithelial cells.

Then ideas of migration, now accepted

Allen, on Dodd's porcupine, turtle

Heys Q.R.B. 6 1931  
 most recent review 409



In bull frog, the primary germ cells, do not form the testes; the primordials disintegrate after starting. Thus a new batch sets in.

Savignie *FEZ* 32 1921 to mature -

Kingery *Biol Bull* 27 1914 (mice)

In coelenterates any undifferentiated cell can give

Brown *Entomol. Monographs* 1879 rise to the germ.

Hagitt *J. Morphol.* 40 1925

- Boveri Festsch. Kupfer ASCARIS MEGALOCEPHALA (BOVALENS.) First cleavage normal; in the second cleavage, and five series, one of the mitoses is normal, the other, as far as to the somatic components is diminutive:
- The ends of the long chromosomes break off in middle region. This fragments into 60-70 small pieces. The umbelous pieces degenerate. A cytoplasmic material preventing diminution, may be as indicated by centrifugation, 2 cells non-diminutive.
- In a diminutive mitosis, the spindle fibers are at the center.
- Hogue Arch. Entom. 29, 1910 In polygenous, 4 cells from one, 2 non-diminutive.
- Boveri Arch. Entom. 30, 1910 In polygenous, 4 cells from one, 2 non-diminutive.
- Kruij & Beems DEZ 77 (1938) Same conclusion, in fact: distributed subeta. Similar process in many nematodes.

- Hable Zoologica 21 1908 MIASTOR  $\Sigma$  Diptera 3. First 2 cleavages, 1 per pole of the egg. At that pole; there are many granules the cell then gives the germ cell. (mitochondria)
- Acc. Hable the telophasse nucleus with long chromosomes, extended half disintegrating. In 4th division. Other work shows whole chromosomes lost.
- The chromosome number in the somatic cells is 12, in germ  $2n = 48$ . This is actually a reduplicated chromosome.
- Kreczkiewicz Folio Haplo 60 1934
- Prietherger Chromosoma 1 1940 (Olycia)

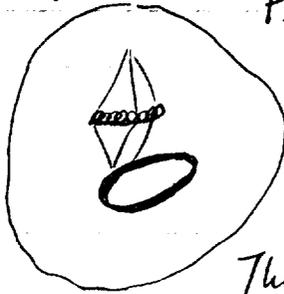
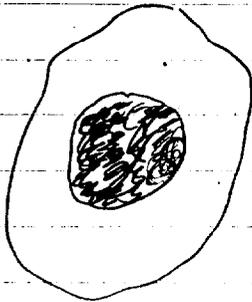
- Morgan & Bridges Carnegie 278 Drosophila A series of gynandromorphs. Non-diminutive. Assumed that the germ originate from a single cell.



1/13/42 *Other presumed cases of germ cell determination*

*Stithart Zool Jahrb*  
(Arch) 30 1910

*Dytiscus* (water beetle, cytologically difficult) In ♀  
in the last oogonal division, the germ nucleus differs  
slightly on one side becoming slightly pyrenotic. The  
chromosomes come from the typical portion. The  
rest of the nucleus forms a ring. The ring is  
Feulgen positive. This occurs



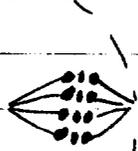
in 4 divisions, the ring segregates  
to 1 cell of 16. This forms the  
oocyte; the other 15 are nurse cells.

This is not a germ determination as such

Seiler, Arch Zellf 13 (1915)

Cooper, KW Chromosoma 1 (1939)  
Arachnida

LEPIDOPTERA: *Lymantia*, *Ephesia* In maturation  
division. As metaphase tetrads appear and separate, some  
material was found between the chromosomes.



Stuff

disappears the early cleavages of the zygote. Feulgen negative.

Summary:

1. True determination, may be extra chromosomal
  - A. Pole plasma
  - B. Nurse nuclei or adjacent cytoplasm
  - C. Elimination; elimination
2. Pseudo
  - A. Bytrains
  - B. Lepidoptera

## Fertilization

### Controversy —

Must involve several consequent processes, but the essential task and purpose is syngamy, nuclear.

Large variation in phase of development of the fertilized egg.

In *Planorbis* (a rotifer like animal) the sperm enters long before meiosis begins.

*Ascaris* - just before the first prophase. As the sperm nucleus becomes diffuse, the egg matures.

In Coelenterata, Echinodermata, eggs are generally mature.

In annelids, insects the meiosis has begun at the time of fertilization.

In Echinoderm eggs, fertilization may occur premeiotically.

until the germinal vesicle has broken down; then, even the isolated cortex can be "fertilized."

Inst Biol Bull 44 1923

If the cortex is removed (bolting cloth) complete no sperm will enter.

Violent currents in egg in relation to the sperm entrance. Fertilization cone; egg swallows sp

Path of pronuclei to "equilibrium" The  $\sigma$  may migrate directly to the  $\rho$  pronucleus.

In some large eggs, the first path is rectilinear;  $\tau$  an orientation in respect to nucleus, the copulatory path

see pp 82 et seq  $\rightarrow$

1/15/43 Partial Fertilization - gynogenesis No action nucleus. May occur "accidentally" in nature (by crosses, etc)

Bélar Z. Zell 1 (1924)

Rhabditis (nematode?) after 2 pb are given off the sperm enters at one pole, normally movements as as:



Under relatively anoxic conditions, the chromosomes are as usual, but the  $\rho$  pronucleus does not migrate. In the neighborhood of the sperm an amphixista forms. If dry

the amphaster.

Pulsard Biol Bull 36 1918 Radium, inactivated eggs, nuclei destroyed. The sperm also will start with first cleavages up to blastulae

minimal life history  
activation of egg without  
the participation of sperm.  
There may be a revised division  
before cleavage.

### Artificial Parthenogenesis

Hypotonic sea water → multipolar asters  
Fertilization membrane not well seen

In double treatment, butyric - s.w. cytolysis checked by la

2 steps in fertilization: cortical cytolysis + its checks. Beer  
has shown hypotonic seawater is adequate if properly  
adjusted.

Herlant Arch Exp Biol 57 (1918) had actually proposed that each component of the double treatment  
gave rise to 1 aster. !!

In Amphibia -

Geyer Science 1925 Puncture egg with fine needle dipped in blood. Believe  
leucocytes act!

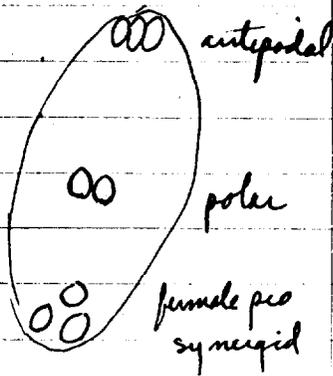
Bataillon CRAS 150 1910 In Toad eggs, only sterile puncture is required

Loeb J. Gen Phys 3 1921 In Rana, only needle is required

Parmentier J Exp Zool ca 1938-40 Various embryos. Only restored lipoid serum.  
Mosaics. Both sexes!!! How explain?

Plant biology

Progressive reduction of haploid phase. In maize only 8 nuclei in the female gametophyte.



The male gametophyte has 2 haploid gam nuclei. In double fertilization, triploid endosperm and diploid <sup>zygotes</sup> ~~zygotes~~ are formed with consequent modification of Mendelism.

Early work on fertilization directed at centrioles. Rabele '89 - Fusion or synergism of centrioles!!! Not sustained

"probably no definite rule of the centriole origin. The sperm brings in the center, usually."

In egg fragments division will occur. In "partial fertilization" only centriole participates. In polyspermy, numerous spindles.

In some cases, egg provides its own centrioles, as Sigrodactylum, Fasciola, other trematodes.

Conklin Biol Bull 7 1904

Study of (parthenogenetic) Aspidula. Conservation of genetic continuity.

Wilson p 445ff

In Nereis the middle piece is left out. But this may have an elongate centriolar rod theory the nucleus.

4-13-43.

## O.L. Huskins on Chromosome Coiling.

Trillium first demonstrated this

In Trillium there is spirality in both divisions.

Relational coil shown.

At somewhat elevated temperatures, the spirals seem to run out.

Reasons for difficulty:

1. Spirality was first deductive; Darlington "has been completely despoiled."

2. Variations in appearance: technique organisms, stage, size, locomotion.

3. Number of strands in a chromosome.

4. Visibility

5. Optical artifact; psychological factors, <sup>particularly</sup> at limit of visibility

6. 3 dimensional visualization difficult for many people. Stupidity

A. The relational coil: a turned sketch wire is 2 spirals in the same direction. Right-hand spiral is right handed from any aspect.

Doubling of coil and bipartite coil are the same

B. Direction of coil cannot be determined from photos. (MSO white)

Chromosomes vs. Spirals.

Strand Number: Kowalski & Miescher hold 2 strands. It's not spiral fully clear but may be really only the two cross strands. !!!

see e.g. AOB '40



If a spiral is coiled with ends fixed



But ends do not  
slip apart.

If ends rotate, the  
spiral can fall apart.

In *Tridacnaria*: a clear minor spiral  $\rightarrow$  major in  
2nd division

In *T. tridacnaria*, the major persists; matrix contracts.

" the matrix does not contract; chromosomes elongate

Daclington proposes molecular spiral.

Hesslein holds that in last premitotic metaphase  
the relational coil is formed. Gene reproduction  
occurs during a coil stage. Pulling out causes stretching  
for entire history, relational spiral is produced.