

# Chapter 4

# Cells and Tissues

## TERMINOLOGY USED IN CHAPTER

### THE TERMS TO KNOW

- 1. Active transport:** The movement of molecules from an area of lower concentration to the area of higher concentration, with the expenditure of energy
- 2. Cell:** The smallest living things, the basic unit of organization of all organisms
- 3. Cell membrane:** A thin and elastic membrane covering the cytoplasm of all prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells
- 4. Cell theory:** One of the most fundamental educations about cells, proposed by Schleiden and Schwann
- 5. Cell wall:** The non-living and strong component of the cell, located outside the cell membrane, in plants, fungi, prokaryotes and many protists
- 6. Centriole:** The hollow and cylindrical organelles present in the cells of animals and many unicellular organisms
- 7. Chloroplast:** The green plastids found in plants and many protists; involved in photosynthesis
- 8. Chromoplast:** The plastids with pigments of bright colors; present in flower petals, fruits etc.
- 9. Connective tissue:** Animal tissue that supports and binds other tissues
- 10. Cytoplasm:** The semi-viscous and semi-transparent substance present between the plasma membrane and the nuclear envelope

- 12. Endoplasmic reticulum:** The network of channels that extends from plasma membrane to the nuclear envelope
- 13. Epithelial tissue:** Animal tissue that covers the outside of the body and lines organs and cavities
- 14. Facilitated diffusion:** The movement of the molecules from higher to lower concentration with the help of transport proteins
- 15. Golgi apparatus:** The set of flattened sac-like structures called cisternae; found in animal and plant cells; involved in cell secretions
- 16. Hypertonic solution:** The solution in which more solute is present
- 17. Hypotonic solution:** The solution in which less solute is present
- 18. Isotonic solution:** The solutions, which has equal concentrations of solutes
- 19. Leucoplast:** The colorless plastids in the cells of those plant parts where food is stored
- 20. Lysosome:** The single-membrane bound organelles having strong digestive enzymes
- 23. Mitochondrion:** The double membrane-bounded structure in eukaryotes; involved in cellular respiration
- 24. Muscle tissue:** Animal tissue composed by cells with ability to contract
- 25. Nucleus:** The most prominent organelle in eukaryotic cell; controls all cell activities
- 26. Organelle:** The sub-cellular structures
- 27. Osmosis:** The movement of water molecules from a solution of lesser solute concentration to a solution of higher solute concentration, across a semi-permeable membrane
- 28. Passive transport:** The movement of materials without any expenditure of

- 29. **Phagocytosis:** The phenomenon in which cell takes in solid materials in bulk
- 30. **Pinocytosis:** The phenomenon in which cell takes in liquid materials in drops
- 31. **Plasmolysis:** The shrinking of cell due to loss of water
- 32. **Plastid:** The membrane-bound organelles in plants and many protists
- 33. **Ribosome:** Tiny granular structures in cell: either floating freely in the cytoplasm or bound to the endoplasmic reticulum, involved in protein synthesis
- 34. **Semi-permeable:** The structure that allows a very few molecules to cross it and checks the majority of molecules to cross
- 35. **Tissue:** The group of similar cells, performing the same job
- 36. **Turgor pressure:** The pressure of the internal water on cell wall
- 37. **Microfilament:** Part of the cytoskeleton; made of actin proteins
- 38. **Microtubule:** Part of the cytoskeleton; made of tubulin proteins
- 39. **Vacuole:** A fluid filled organelle, bounded by a single membrane

