

## **OUTCOME QUESTION(S):**

**S1-1-01:**

**Why do cells divide and how does it work?**

### **Vocabulary & People**

Mitosis

Asexual

Binary Fission

# Why do cells divide?

## 3. *Reproduction*

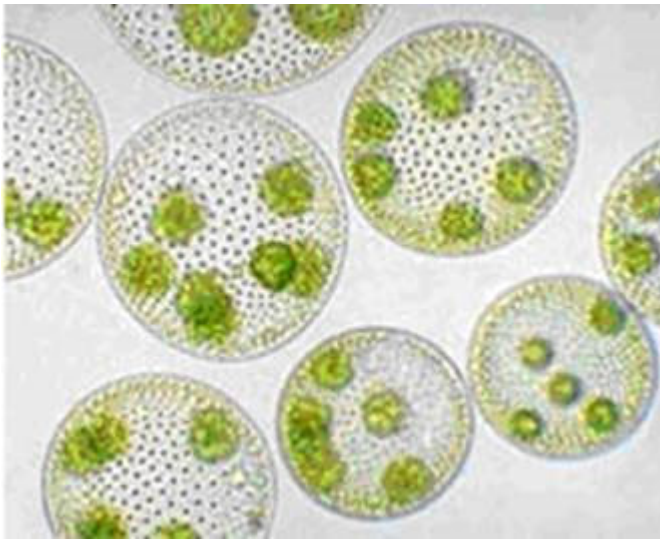
– *Pass on genetic information*

There are 2 types of organism reproduction:

*Asexual*

*and*

*Sexual*

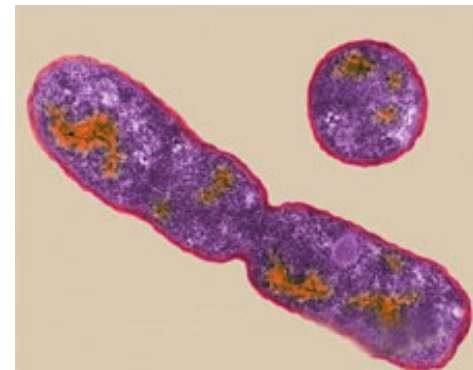


## Asexual Reproduction

- Create <sup>(babies)</sup> *offspring from one parent* organism
- Using basic cell division - Mitosis

1. *Rapid* and effective reproduction method
2. Cells are “*clones*” – genetically identical

Mitosis **IS** asexual reproduction: *making an identical copy (offspring) from an existing cell (parent)*



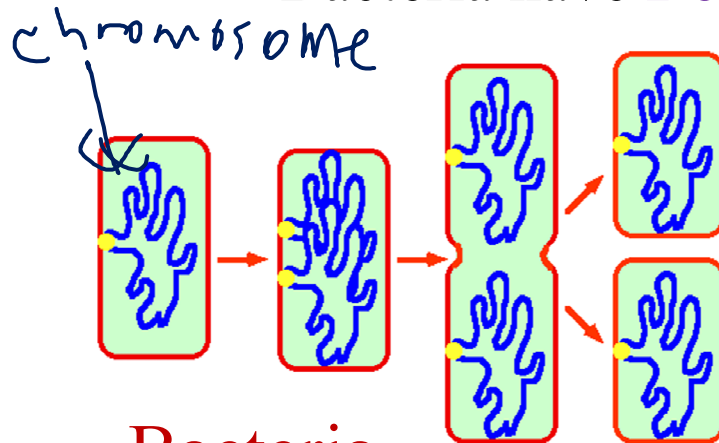
1. Binary Fission
2. Budding
3. Sporulation (Spores)
4. Regeneration (Fragmentation)
5. Vegetative Propagation  
(Vegetative Reproduction)

# 1. Binary Fission

- This is like mitosis but in bacteria

- Simple **single-cell** (*unicellular*) organisms

- Bacteria have *1 circular chromosome (plasmid)*

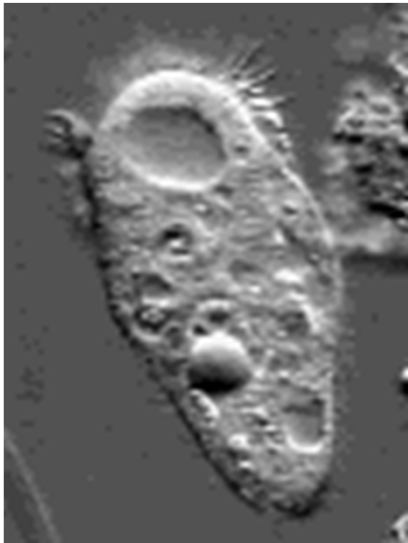


Bacteria  
(like *E. Coli*)



Remember: even though we call this "binary fission" it is still **just** a simplified **Mitosis**

## Protists *(like amoebas)*



Telophase, maybe?

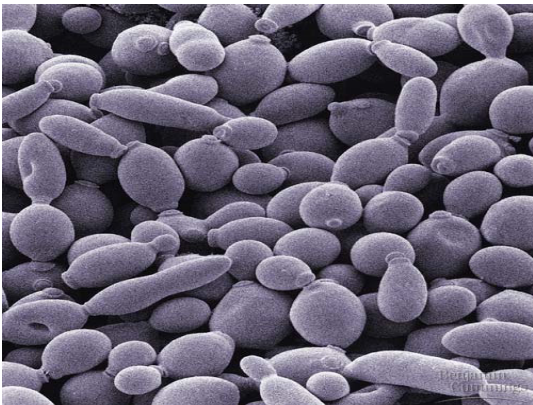


Unlike bacteria, these ones actually have a nucleus and a few chromosomes



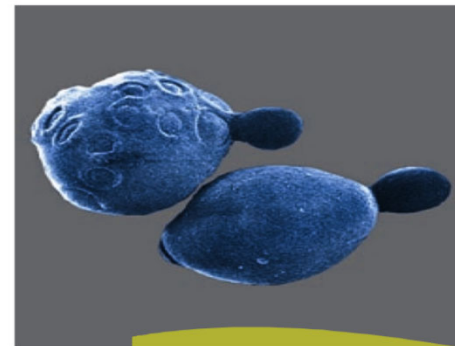
## 2. Budding

- Cell duplicates nucleus, forms outgrowth
- New cell is *smaller than original* cell



The key is *unequal* mitotic division – think of it as creating a “mini-me” that will grow bigger...eventually

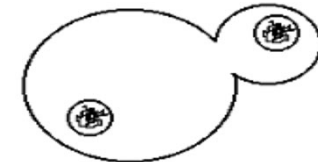
Fungi  
(yeast)



Replicating Yeasts: Fission vs. Budding



Standard mitosis



Budding

 = nucleus containing DNA genome



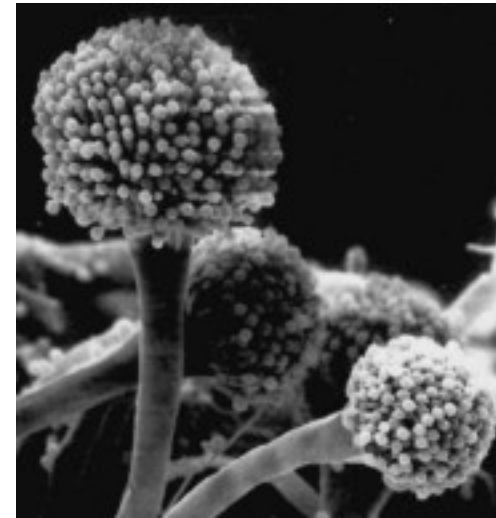
### 3. Sporulation

- Creation of spores that are released into the air
- Spores are made to survive and grow anytime later

This is similar to budding – but in very large numbers  
(like creating 1000s of “mini-me’s” at once)

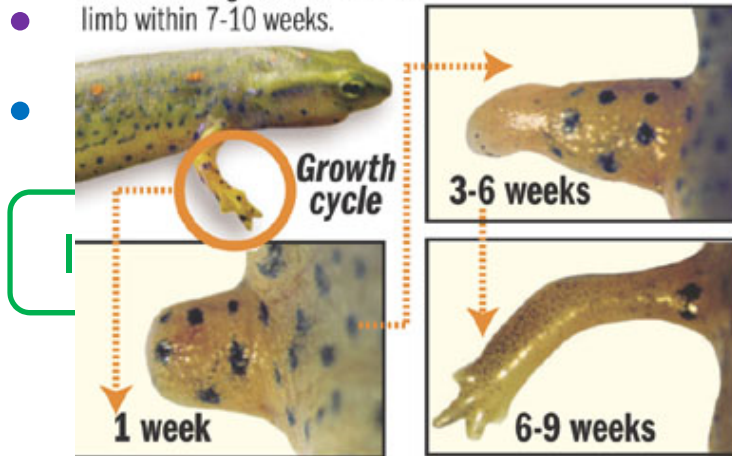


Fungi  
(*mold*)

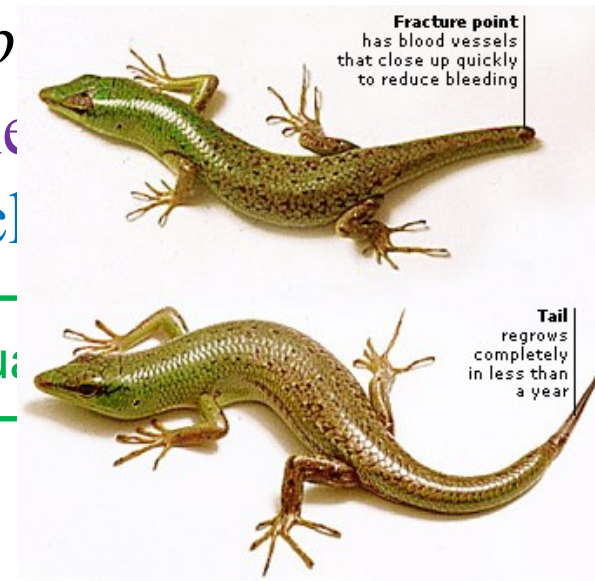


## A1 Regenerating a limb

A newt can regenerate an entire limb within 7-10 weeks.



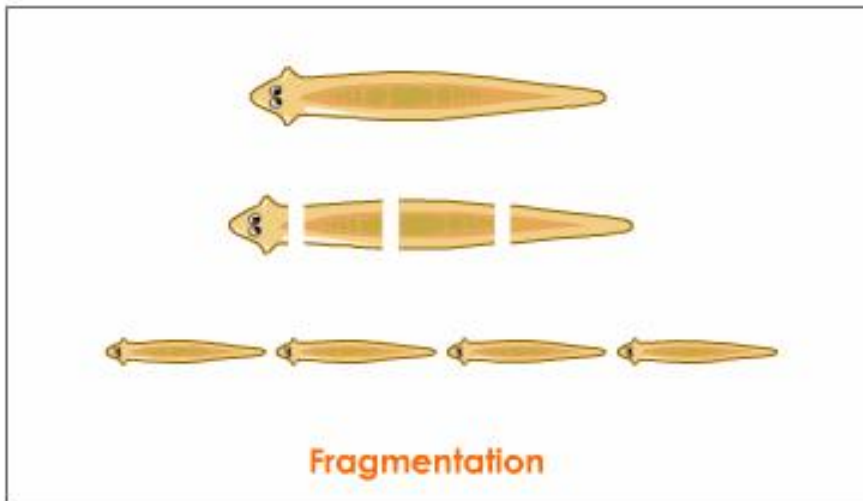
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## 4. Fragmentation

- Ability to regenerate (regrow) fragments of the body OR have that fragment grow into separate identical organism

The "simpler" the animal the better it will be at fragmentation



Many experiments have been done to investigate the regeneration and **fragmentation** of simple organisms



## 5. Vegetative Propagation

- Creation of new plant from any of the growing parts of a plant – roots, leaves, stems

This is how we can get a whole new plant from an old one!

