Biology

Protista 1: Protozoan

Protista

- 1. Eucaryotic, single cells (some colonial), autotrophs & motile heterotrophs
- 2. Autotrophs are algae
- 3. Motile herterotrophs are protozoan
- 4. Monera are procaryotic
- 5. Fungi are sessile heterotrophs
- 6. Plants and animals have tissues (multicellular)
- 7. Many varieties of shapes, sizes and colors

Protozoans

- 1. Subkingdom
- 2. "First animals"
- 3. Motile herterotrophs
- 4. Four Phyla based on type of motility
- 5. Sarcodina: pseudopods
- 6. Ciliophora: Cilia movement
- 7. Mastigophora: Flagella movement
- 8. Sporozoa: Motile only in immature stage

Sarcodina

- 1. Motility: pseudopods
- 2. Example: amoeba
- 3. Shape: nondescript sphere
- 4. Habitat: fresh and salt water, human mouth and intestines
- 5. Anatomy: nucleus, ectoplasm (watery fluid near membrane), endoplasm (cense fluid near center), contractile vacuoles (water regulation)
- 6. Behavior: Taxes (response to environment stimuli). Migrates toward food, retreats from glass
- 7. Nutrition: Phagocytosis, food vacuole, enzymes
- 8. Reproduction: asexual, mitosis, 3 day cycle
- 9. Special conditions: cyst formation to survive harsh conditions
- 10. Pathogenicity: some are some are not
- 11. Nonpathogenic: Entamoeba gingivalis, E. coli
- 12. Pathogenic: E. histolytica (amebic dysentery)

Ciliophora (Ciliates)

- 1. Motility: Cilia, beat rhythmically, various patterns
- 2. Example: paramecium
- 3. Shape: cone, bell, slipper, up to 3 millimeters
- 4. Habitat: fresh and salt water
- 5. Anatomy: Cortex (pellicle, skin), ectoplasm and endoplasm, macro- and micro-nuclei, contractile vacuoles with canals (water regulation)
- 6. Behavior: Taxes (response to environment stimuli). Migrates toward food, attracted to low pH, migrate away from some chemicals, extreme T°
- 7. Nutrition: cilia-mediated, oral groove (mouth pore, gullet), food vacuole, enzymes
- 8. Reproduction: asexual and sexual, conjugation and meiosis

- 9. Special conditions: trichocysts release filaments when stimulated
- 10. Pathogenicity: Most nonpathogenic
- 11. Nonpathogenic: Stentor- 2.5 millimeters, "giant"
- 12. Pathogenic: Balantidium coli: dysentery

Mastigophora (Flagellates)

- 1. Motility: flagella (single or more, etc), euglenoid movement (modified amoeba), some free swimming, some sessile
- 2. Example: Euglena
- 3. Shape: Variety of shapes
- 4. Habitat: fresh and salt water, soil
- 5. Anatomy: Pellicle, ectoplasm and endoplasm, contractile vacuoles (water regulation), gullet, tiny-red-light-sensitive eyespot, nucleus with nucleolus
- 6. Behavior: Taxes (response to environment stimuli). Migrates toward food, retreats from glass
- 7. Nutrition: All heterotrophic though some can be autotrophic, absorption, parasitic and saprophytic
- 8. Reproduction: asexual and sexual, binary fission, once a day
- 9. Special conditions: unicellular and colonial
- 10. Pathogenicity: Many parasitic, some pathogenic
- 11. Nonpathogenic: Volvox (form hollow, spherical colonies), Trichonympha (symbiotic with termites)
- 12. Pathogenic: African Sleeping sickness (Trypanosoma)

Sporozoa (Sporozoans)

- 1. Motility: Motile only during immature stage, not as adults
- 2. Example: Plasmodium, (malaria)
- 3. Size and Shape: Variety of shapes
- 4. Habitat: parasitic
- 5. Anatomy: Forms spores at some time during life cycle
- 6. Behavior: Taxes (response to environment stimuli). Migrates toward food, retreats from glass
- 7. Nutrition: all parasitic, absorption
- 8. Reproduction: spore forming (nucleus divides several times and gathers cytoplasm), cell breaks apart, complex life cycle, sexual and asexual
- 9. Special conditions:
- 10. Pathogenicity: All parasitic
- 11. Example: Plasmodium, (malaria="bad air"), more deaths than any other, Dr. Charles Laveran discovered the pathogen, Life cycle: Human blood -> Anopheles (cells mature and migrate to salivary)-> Human (blood-liver-rbc, chills and fever)