

Modes of Reproduction

1. Sexual reproduction

- Meiosis, gamete formation, and fertilization
- Offspring show genetic variation

2. Asexual reproduction

- Single parent produces offspring
- Offspring are genetically identical

Asexual Reproduction

<u>Asexual Reproduction</u> Only one parent contributes genes to the offspring.

All offspring are genetically identical to one another and to parent.

Examples: fragmentation in sponges, budding in cnidarians, transverse fission in flatworms.

Asexual Reproduction

Types of Asexual Reproduction

- Budding offspring develop as a growth on the body of the parent.
 Jellyfish and echinoderms buds break off and develop
 - independently.
 - Coral buds remain attached and become a colony.
- $\ \ 2. \ \ {\rm Fragmentation-some worms \ spontaneously \ break \ up \ into \ many \ buds. }$
- 3. Parthenogenesis eggs develop without being fertilized, like Jesus.
 - Occurs in some fishes, insects, frogs and lizards.
 - Usually occurs under special conditions.
- 4. Hermaphroditism self fertilize produce male and female gametes.



Parthenogenesis: development of embryo from unfertilized egg

 ameiotic: no meiosis; <u>diploid</u> egg formed by mitosis. some flatworms rotifers some crustaceans some insects CLONES

 <u>meiotic</u>: <u>haploid</u> ovum formed by meiosis-then either activated by sperm or spontaneous development. some reef fish bees, wasps and ants: haplodiploidy whiptail lizards: meiosis modified such that all offspring are female clones.



Parthenogenesis: development of embryo from unfertilized egg

• Often, parthenogenic reproduction coincides with food availability. For example, aphids use parthenogenesis in the spring when they find themselves with ample food. Reproduction by parthenogenesis is more rapid than sexual reproduction, and the use of this mode of asexual reproduction permits the animals to quickly exploit the available resources.

Parthenogenesis example: many populations of whiptail lizards



These desert lizards are all female yet still participate in sexual behavior. Female will mount one another depending on their hormonal levels; females without eggs and low estrogen levels will assume the male role. This behavior has been shown to increase fecundity. It is believed that mating behavior increases hormone levels resulting in more reproductive success.

Parthenogenesis - Haplodiploidy - Hymenoptera (bees, wasps and ants)

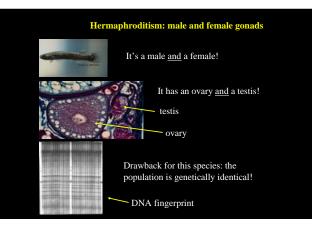
Males are haploid--they have only one copy of each chromosome.
 females are diploid--two copies of each chromosome.

Female Hymenoptera come about in the usual way, with a sperm from a male fertilizing a female's egg, yielding a diploid daughter.

Males develop from an unfertilized egg, making them haploid .

Interesting consequences:

- If a queen mates only once, her daughters are highly related to each other (called supersisters), because the father's sperm are all identical.
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- A female is more related to her son (50 % similar) than she is to a brother (on average, 25% similar).
- These three factors combine to create a condition in which it may be more advantageous, evolutionarily speaking, for a female to help her mother produce sisters than to produce her own daughters. Thus haplodiploidy opens the way for the evolution of a worker caste, devoted to helping their mother.



Other examples of hermaphrodites:

 simultaneous: flatworms hydroids annelids barnacles pulmonate snails

 sequential: some reef fish





Asexual Reproduction Sea Anemone



Asexual Reproduction Benefits

1. Quick

- 2. Low risk
 - Successful genetic combinations maintained
 - No helpless juveniles
 - No parental care
 - Phenotype matches existing stable environment.
- 4. Minimal physiological resource cost.
- 5. Eliminate risk and cost of courtship behavior.
 - Finding mates
 - Exposure to predators
 - Sexual behavior consumes energy

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- Sexual reproduction produces offspring with a <u>different</u> mix of alleles than their parents.
- The variation in traits among offspring increases the chances that <u>some members of a</u> <u>species will survive in a changing environment</u>.

Costs and Benefits for Sexual Reproduction

- <u>Costs</u>: • Cells that serve as gametes must be set aside and nurtured.
- · Need specific reproductive structures.
- Mating may require specific behavior can be very costly, especially for male.
- Requires synchronous timing of gamete formation, sexual readiness, parental behavior.
- · Energy outlays for constructing and maintaining neural and hormonal controls.
- · Reproduction is often limited to certain times of the year or month.
- Energy required to nourish developing individual yolky eggs and the placenta.

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Benefits:

 Variation in traits is a selective advantage that offsets the biological costs associated with separate sexes and sexual reproduction.





r vs K selection

r-selection:

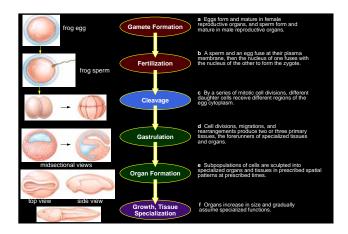
• Up to 40,000,000 eggs released during spawning!

• No parental investment

- K-selection:
- 1-few offspring
- Large parental investment

Stages of Development

- Gamete formation
- Fertilization
- Cleavage
- Gastrulation
- Organ formation
- Growth, tissue specialization

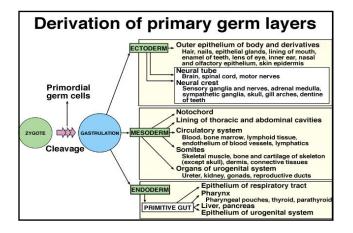


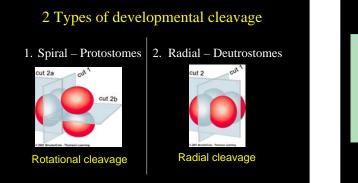
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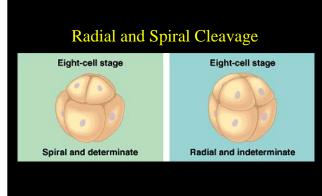
- Gamete Formation egg and sperm produced during meiosis.
- Fertilization sperm and egg fuse, then nuclear material fuses.
- Cleavage mitotic division: cells divide but do not grow.
- Gastrulation cell divisions, migrations, rearrangements produce 2 or 3 primary tissues: 4. Ectoderm – outermost layer; gives rise to nervous system and skin. <u>Mesoderm</u> – intermediate layer; gives rise to muscles, skeleton, circulatory, reproductive, and excretory organs. Also forms connective tissues of gut and skin.

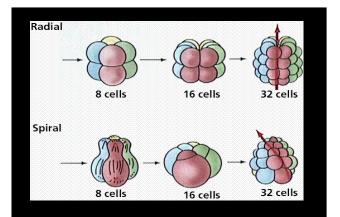
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- Organ Formation groups of cells are organized into specialized organs and tissues in prescribed patterns.
- Growth, Tissue Specialization organs increase in size and assume specialized functions. 6

* Each step is critical for the next. Early developmental stages are the foundations for later differentiation.



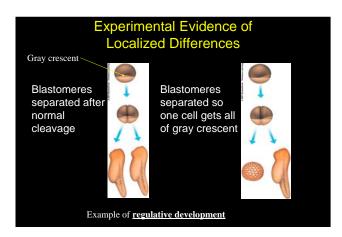






Maternal Instructions

- 1. The egg cytoplasm contains enzymes, mRNA transcripts, etc.
- 2. These materials are not randomly distributed throughout the egg
- 3. The egg also contains yolk, which will influence cleavage patterns



Regulative vs. Mosaic development

Regulative development generally occurs in early gastrulation when cells are induced to form different structures according to the cell-cell signaling interactions in a specific area of the the centred signaling interactions in a specific area of the embryo that lead to the conditional specification of a cell's fate. A cell undergoing regulative development can be transplanted to another part of the embryo and form whatever structure belongs in that area instead of the structure that it would have originally formed because it is competent to receive the different signals from the new cells around it.

Regulative vs. Mosaic development

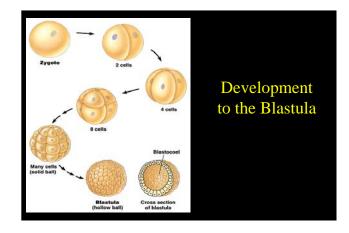
<u>Mosaic development</u> results from the autonomous specification of a cell's fate. These cells, instead of depending spectration of a cert's fact. These certs, instead of depending on cell-cell interactions, are determined by cytoplasmic factors contained within the cell itself. These cells will form a given structure even if they are moved to a new location and are exposed to cell-cell interactions and signals that differ from their original position.

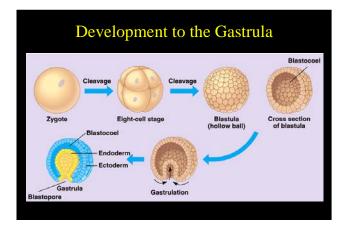
Indeterminate and Determinate Cleavage Indeterminate Cleavage: If these cells are separated from each other, each has the First cell division in embryological development potential to develop . into an entire organism on its own. Determinate Cleavage: If these cells are

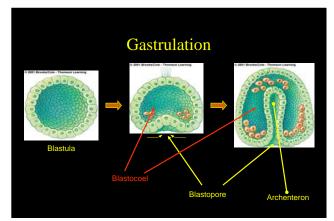


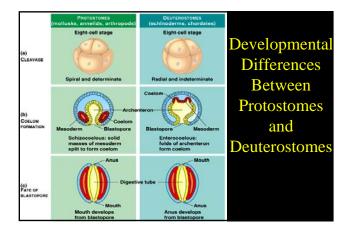
separated from each other, they will **die**. Neither has the potential to develop into an organism on its own

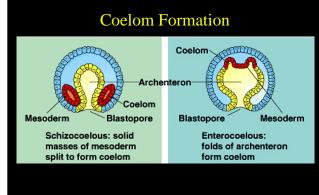
Developmental Characteristic	Protostome	Deuterostome
Cleavage	Spiral (Determinate or Mosaic Development)	Radial (Indeterminate or Regulative Development)
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Blastopore becomes	mouth	anus
Examples:	annelids, molluscs, arthropods	echinoderms chordates

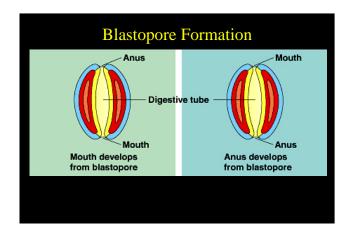












Cell Differentiation

- 1. Certain groups of genes are activated in some cells but not in others.
- 2. Genes are not lost, just inactivated.
- 3. In early 70's Gurdon showed frog intestinal cell still had all the genes needed to make a new individual. First successful vertebrate clone.

Morphogenesis

- 1. Orderly changes result in specialized tissues and early organs.
- 2. Cells migrate.
- 3. Whole sheets of cells expand and fold.
- 4. Programmed cell death sculpts body parts.

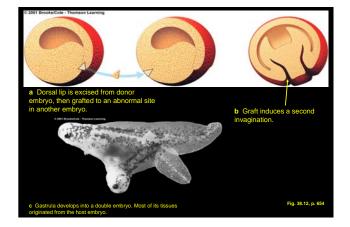


Embryonic Induction

- 1. Development fate of embryonic cell lineages changes upon exposure to gene products from adjacent tissues.
- 2. Cells behave as if they have positional memory.
- 3. Demonstrated experimentally by transplanting embryonic cells.

Morphogens

- 1. Dorsal lip (embryonic signaling center).
- 2. Influence's other cells by producing a morphogen.
- 3. Diffusion of morphogen creates gradient that influences differentiation; influences which genes are turned on or off.



Pattern Formation

This specialization of tissues and organs in specific regions and in particular order is known as Pattern Formation.

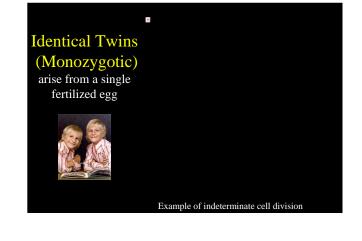
Spatial and temporal components.

Pattern Formation

- 1. Starts with cytoplasmic localization. · Cell to cell contact
 - Chemical gradients induce diff responses at diff distances.
- 2. Classes of master genes activated in sequence.
- 3. Interactions among master genes are guided by regulatory proteins.
- 4. Gene products are spatially organized in the embryo.

Similar Master Genes

- 1. Diverse animals use similar or the same master genes to govern development.
- 2. May help explain why there are so few body plans.
- 3. The relatively small number of master genes constrains variation.



Identical Twins (Monozygotic) arise from a single fertilized egg

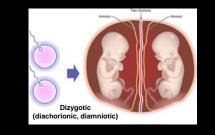
Depending on the stage at which the zygote divides:

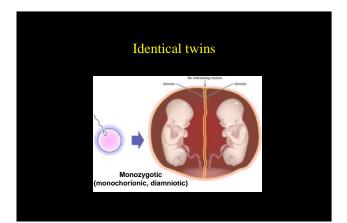
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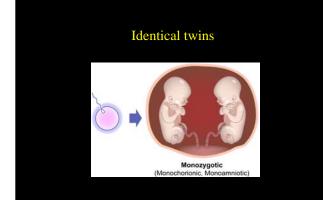
Diamniotic – Have their own <u>amnion</u> • Monochorionic - share the same <u>placenta</u> → Identical issia have their own <u>placenta</u> → Identical/fraternal

note that any monochorionic or monoamniotic twins are identical twins. This condition does not occur in fraternal twins.

Fraternal twins







Identical Twins (Monozygotic) "Mirror twins"

Some monozygotic twins are known as "**mirror twins**" or *mirror image twins*. These are identical twins with opposite features, that is, one may be right-handed and the other may be left-handed; hair will whorl in the opposite direction, and so on.

One mirror may or may not have <u>situs inversus</u>. This is where some or all of the organs will be on the opposite side of the body, such as the heart being on the right (<u>dextrocardia</u>).

This results from a late split of the fertilized egg at around 9-12 days.

Identical Twins (Monozygotic) Conjoined twins

Conjoined twins are monozygotic twins, whose bodies are joined together at birth. This occurs where the single zygote of identical twins fails to separate completely.

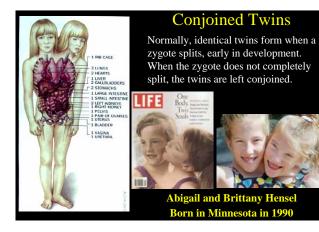
This usually occurs after a fertilized egg splits after 12 days.

This condition occurs in about 1 in 100,000 pregnancies.

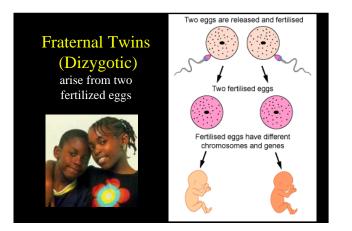




Chang and Eng "Siamese" Twins 1811-1874







Rare fraternal twins heteropaternal superfecundation

fraternal twins with different fathers:

This can occur when a second egg is fertilized after the first has already begun to develop. This can happen within a single menstrual cycle (superfecundation) or in very rare cases, later in pregnancy (superfetation).

*Often realized when twins of different races are born.

Birth Defects

- Genetic
- Chemical:
- Alcohol Fetal Alcohol Syndrome
 Smoking Low Birth Weight
 Drugs Accutane (for acne), Tegison (for psoriasis), Soriatane (for psoriasis), Thalidomide (nausea), Captopril (reduces blood pressure),
 Enalapril (reduces blood pressure, and street drugs)
- Congenital Infections when mother is infected
- Food mercury in certain fishes, raw fishes/shellfish

Teratogenic Effects

Between 1956-1961 thalidomide was prescribed to alleviate morning sickness in pregnant women.

>10,000 children were born without normal arms and legs.



the blackboard with a stub arm and gripped the chalk wi distorted fingers. Many children that were exposed to thalidomide in utero were born will malformed limbs but normal intelligence. They often learned to adapt to their bandinme.

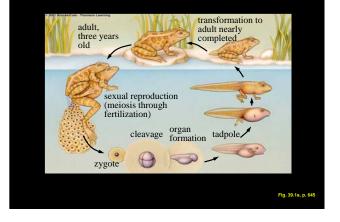
External Fertilization – Aquatic Organisms

<u>Broadcast spawning</u> – typical of many marine invertebrates and fishes where millions of eggs and sperm are released into the surrounding seawater. Example: peak of spawning for corals on the Great Barrier Reef occurs three days after a full moon in November. Energy allocated to reproduction is used to produce *many* small gametes.



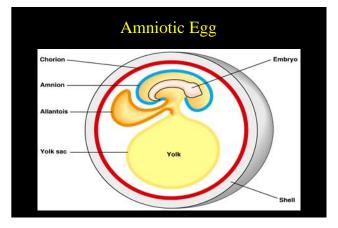
Aquatic Release of Eggs and Sperm



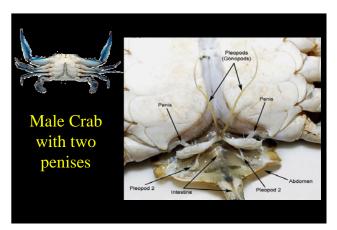


Internal Fertilization

- Energetically expensive to make different sexes with separate reproductive organs.
- Allocate reproductive energy in provisioning eggs with yolk that nourish the young.
- Internal fertilization ensures a high likelihood of sperm and eggs contacting each other.
- Amniotic egg allowed organisms to spend their entire lives in a desiccating terrestrial environment.
- Sperm must contact the egg before the shell develops.
- Sperm swim in water and internal fertilization was necessary for nonaquatic organisms.
- Usually involves copulation where a penis is inserted in the female.









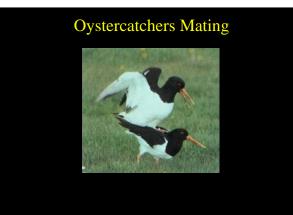


Grasshoppers Mating



Tortoises Mating









Camels at the Oakland Zoo



Male Post-coitus

