KINGDOMS OF LIFE Protists

PROTISTS

- Eukaryotic
 - Both uni-cellular and multi-cellular
- Reproduction: both asexual and sexual (depending on the organism)
 - Some do a process known as <u>conjugation</u> where they attach themselves to each other and exchange genetic information
- > Two major categories of protists:
 - 1. Animal-like protists
 - 2. Plant-like protists
- Fresh water protists:
 - <u>Contractile vacuole</u>: pumps excess water out of a cell (osmoregulation) – helps maintain homeostasis

CONJUGATION

- No new organism produced
- Increases genetic variation



ANIMAL-LIKE PROTISTS

- Zooflagellates
 - Use <u>flagella</u> for locomotion
- Amoebas
 - Use <u>pseudopods</u> (false foot) for feeding and movement
 - Temporary cytoplasmic projections

Paramecium

- Use <u>cilia</u> for feeding and movement
 - Hair-like structures







ANIMAL-LIKE PROTISTS THAT CAUSE DISEASE

- Malaria caused by the Plasmodium protist
 - Transmitted by mosquitos
- African-sleeping sickness caused by the Trypanosoma protist
 - Transmitted by the tsetse fly
- > Amebic dysentery caused by the Entamoeba protest
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PLANT-LIKE PROTISTS

Euglena

Use an <u>eyespot</u> to find light for photosynthesis





PROTIST ADAPTIVE BEHAVIORS

- Chemotaxis response to chemicals
- Phototaxis response to light
 - > Use their eyespot to detect and move toward light





PFIESTERIA

- Toxic protists
 - Can be plant-like or animal-like
- Responsible for harmful algae blooms in North Carolina
 - Kills fish





KINGDOMS OF LIFE Fungi

FUNGI

- Eukaryotic
 - Heterotrophs
 - Do NOT ingest their food digest food outside their bodies and absorb it
 - Multi-cellular except for yeast
 - Have cell walls made of chitin (carb found in external skeletons of insects)
- Reproduction: both asexual and sexual
 - Spores scatter easily



TYPES OF FUNGI:

- Molds
- Lichens have symbiotic relationship with photosynthetic organism
- Mushrooms
- Yeasts









FUNGI

Decomposers – recycle nutrients by breaking down bodies and wastes of other organisms

