

Produces 4 daughter cells, each with half the number of chromosomes as the parent cell

Produces 2 daughter cells with the same number of chromosomes as the parent cell

Importance difference between mitosis and meiosis

Meiosis

Mitosis

Cell is not dividing in interphase

DNA replication occurs

Interphase

G1, S and G2 phases

Chromosomes visible, spindle fibres develop

Prophase

Chromosomes align down equator of cell, spindles attach to centromere

Metaphase

Anaphase

Spindle fibres separate the chromatids; they move towards opposite poles of cell

Telophase

Chromosomes become chromatin, nuclear envelope forms

Cytoplasm divides, two separate cells form

Cytokinesis

2.2 ALL CELLS ARISE FROM OTHER CELLS

Bacteria and viruses

Bacteria

Viruses

Cytoplasm divides to form 2 daughter cells

Replication of DNA and plasmids

Binary fission

Host cell machinery replicates viral components

Viruses inject genetic material into host cell

No cell division (as acellular)

Cell returns to interphase, cell cycle repeats

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