

# **Cell division: MITOSIS**

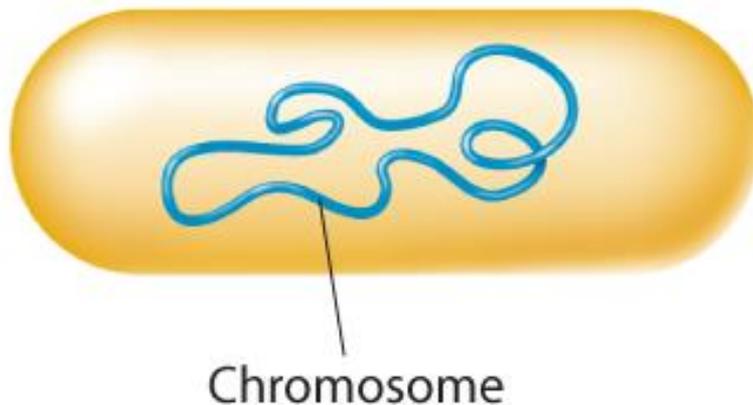
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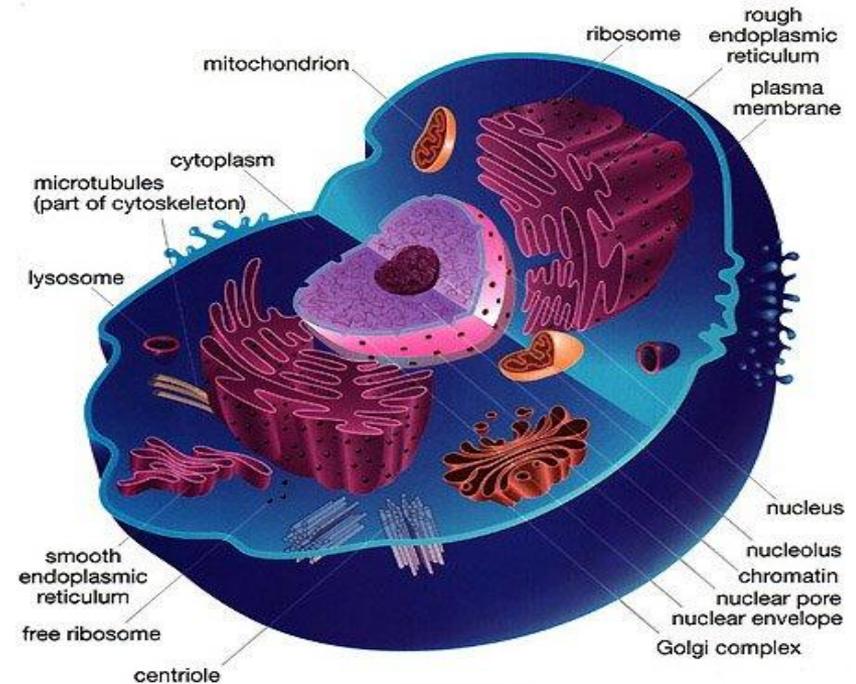
# Remember – All Living Things Made of Cells

## • Prokaryotic cell

- Prokaryotic cells **lack nuclei**. Instead, their DNA molecules are found in the cytoplasm.
- Most prokaryotes contain a single, **circular DNA** molecule, or **chromosome**, that contains most of the cell's genetic information.



## • Eukaryotic Cells

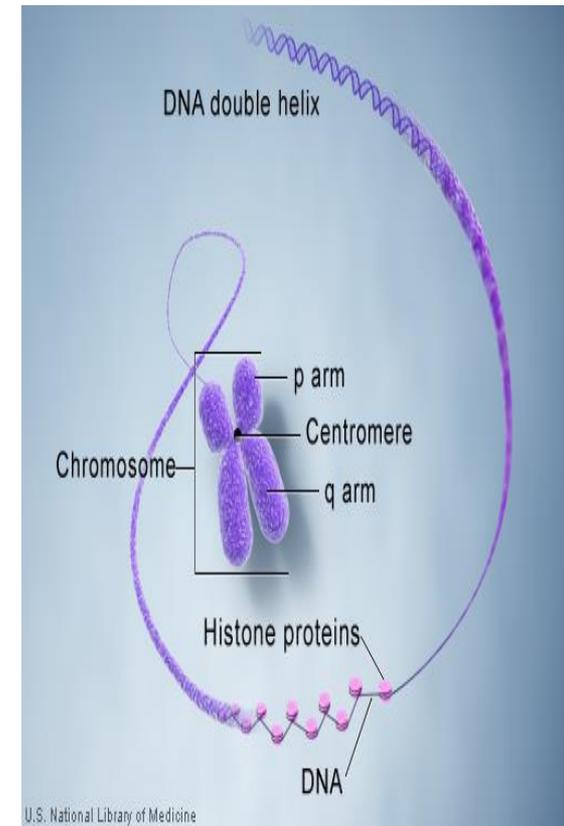
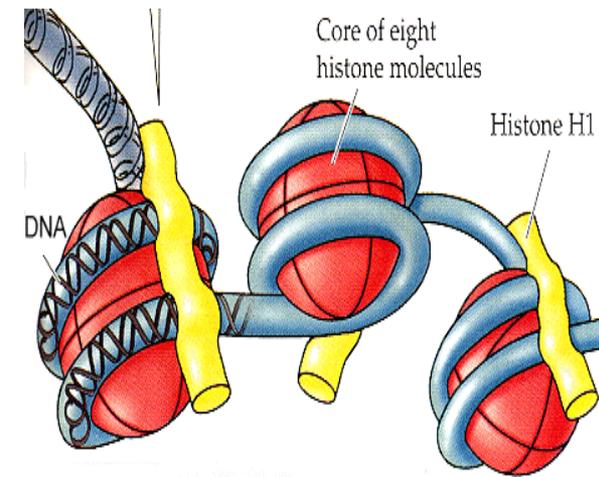


# Prokaryote VS Eukaryote

<b>PROKARYOTES</b>	<b>EUKARYOTES</b>
single chromosome	many chromosomes
made only of DNA	made of chromatin, a nucleoprotein (DNA coiled around histone
circular chromosome	linear chromosomes proteins)
found in cytoplasm	found in a nucleus
copies its chromosome and divides immediately afterwards	copies chromosomes, then the cell grows, then goes through mitosis to organise chromosomes in two equal groups

# Chromosomes

- Structures in Nucleus, made of DNA (**Hereditary material**)
- **Chromatin ( DNA+ histone )**
- **Not** dividing = Chromatin (long thin threads)
- When dividing = Chromatin forms a numbers of clearly distinguishable **Chromosomes**
- **Chromosomes (DNA & gene regulating Protein)**
- ❑ A chromosome contains hundreds of genes, which are composed of DNA.
- Each **species** has a **definite no.** of Chromosomes.
- Humans= **46 chromosomes**
- The cell's **chromatin** condenses into **chromosomes**
- The chromosomes look like an “X”
  - Each chromosome is made up of two identical sister **chromatids** attached by a **centromere**
  - A protein complex, that links sister chromatids, is **cohesin**
- This is “created” in **S phase of interphase**



# Centromeres and Telomeres

Centromeres and telomeres are two essential features of all eukaryotic chromosomes.

Each provide a unique function i.e., absolutely necessary for the stability of the chromosome.

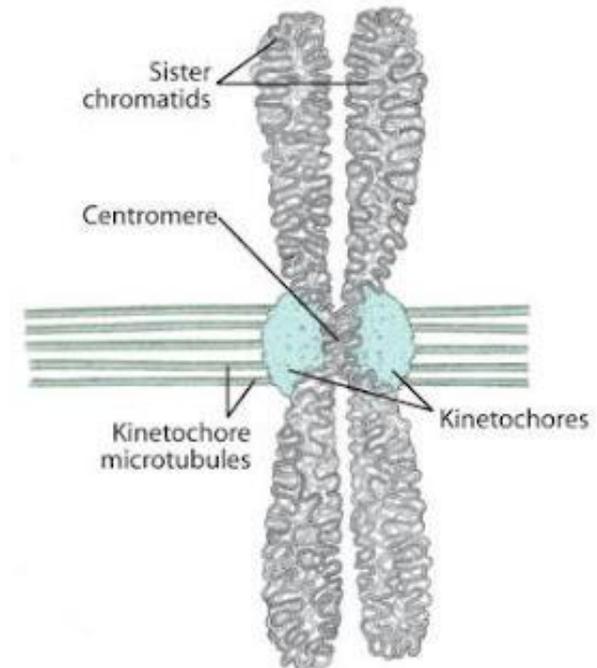
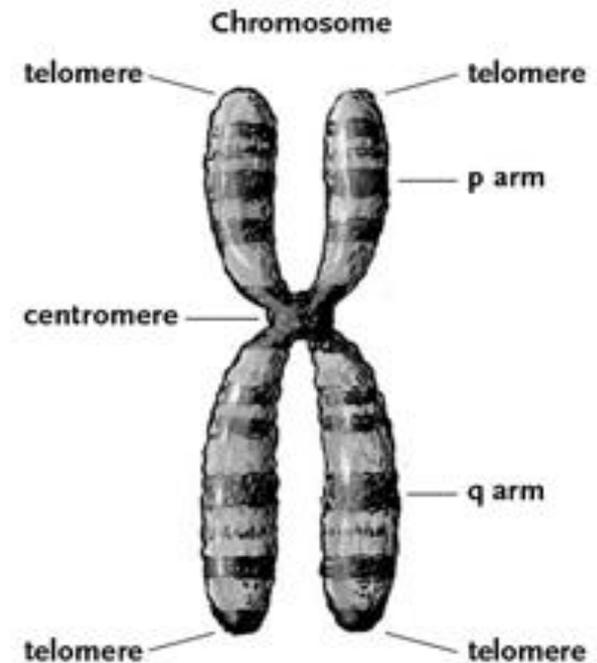
The region where two sister chromatids of a chromosome appear to be joined or “held together” during metaphase is called Centromere

**Centromeres** are required for the **segregation** of the chromosomes during meiosis and mitosis.

**Telomeres** the two ends of a chromosome are known as telomeres and they provide **terminal stability** to the chromosome and ensure its survival

## Kinetochores

The actual location where the **attachment of spindle** fibers to centromere occurs is called the kinetochore and is composed of both DNA and protein.



# Function:

☐ chromosomes carry the genetic information of a cell from one cell generation to the next , from one organism to its offspring

☐ Every cell must copy its genetic information before cell division begins

☐ gene loci not observed when performing a karyotype

Any change in the nucleotide sequence of the DNA of a gene is called **mutation**.

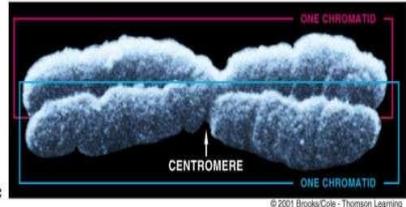
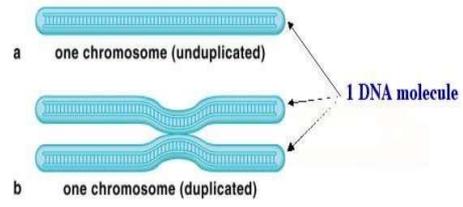
## Haploid $n=23$

Haploid cell has one set of chromosomes, has only one set of each type of chromosomes in the nucleus. In humans, eggs and sperm are haploid

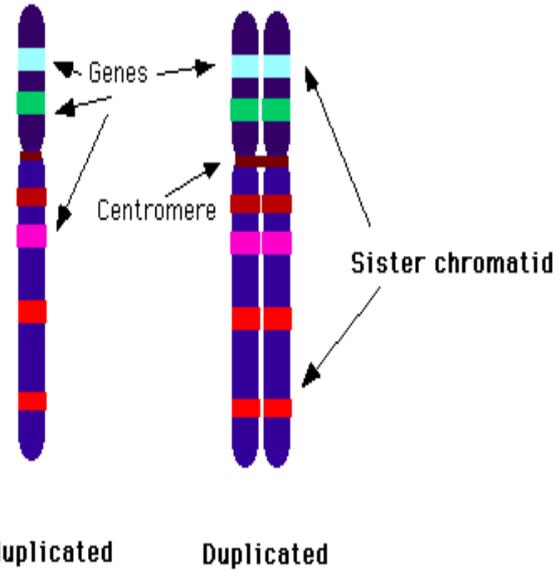
## Diploid $2n=46$

Chromosomes are in pairs in diploid cell, called homologous pairs.

Chromosomes are made of DNA molecules



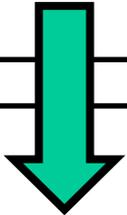
Chromosome Terminology



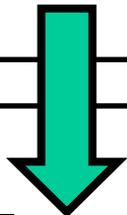
# Types of Cell Reproduction

## Asexual

**single cell** dividing to **2** new, **identical** cells



**Mitosis**



**binary  
fission**

## Sexual

**two cells** (egg & sperm) **joining** to new cell (zygote) **NOT** identical to original one



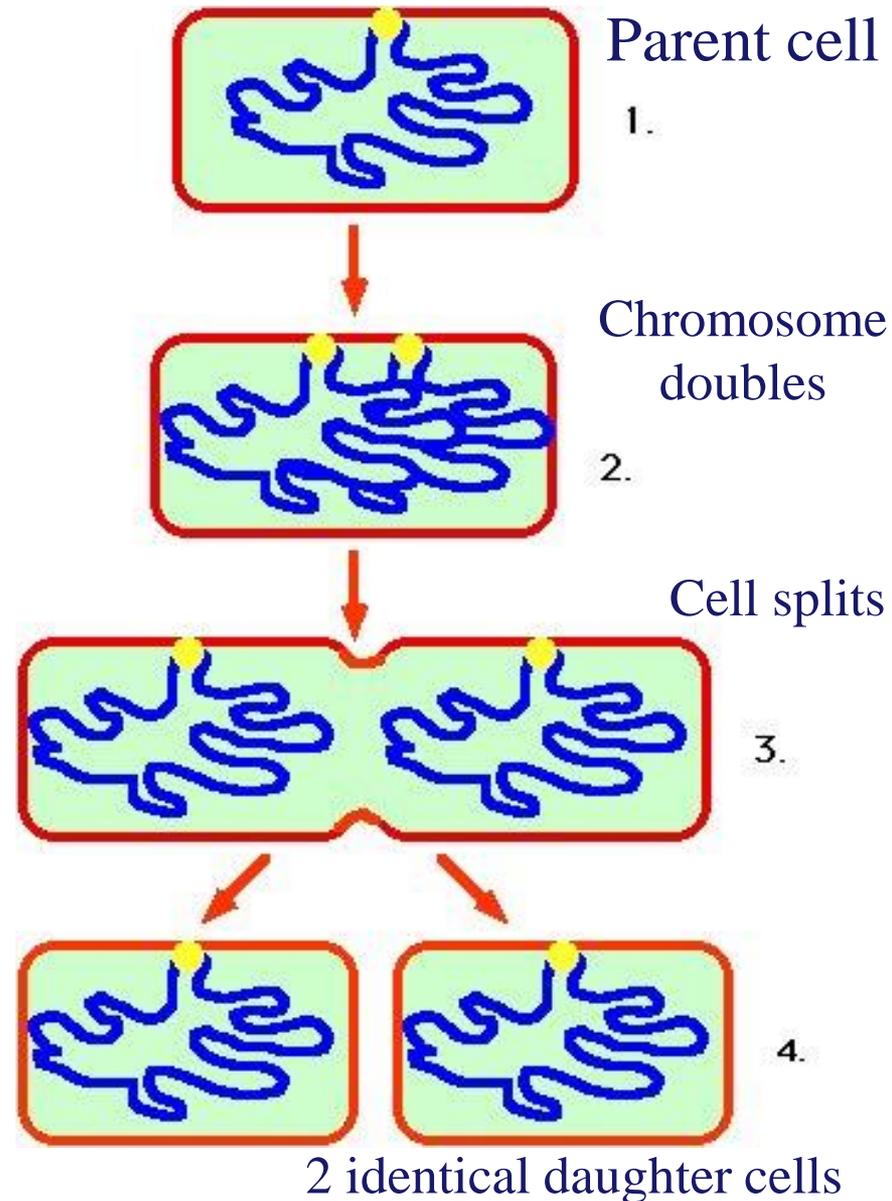
**Meiosis**

# Binary Fission in Bacteria

❑ Prokaryotes (bacteria) reproduce by a type of cell division called **binary fission**

❑ In binary fission, the chromosome replicates and the two daughter chromosomes actively move apart

❑ The plasma membrane pinches inward, dividing the cell into two



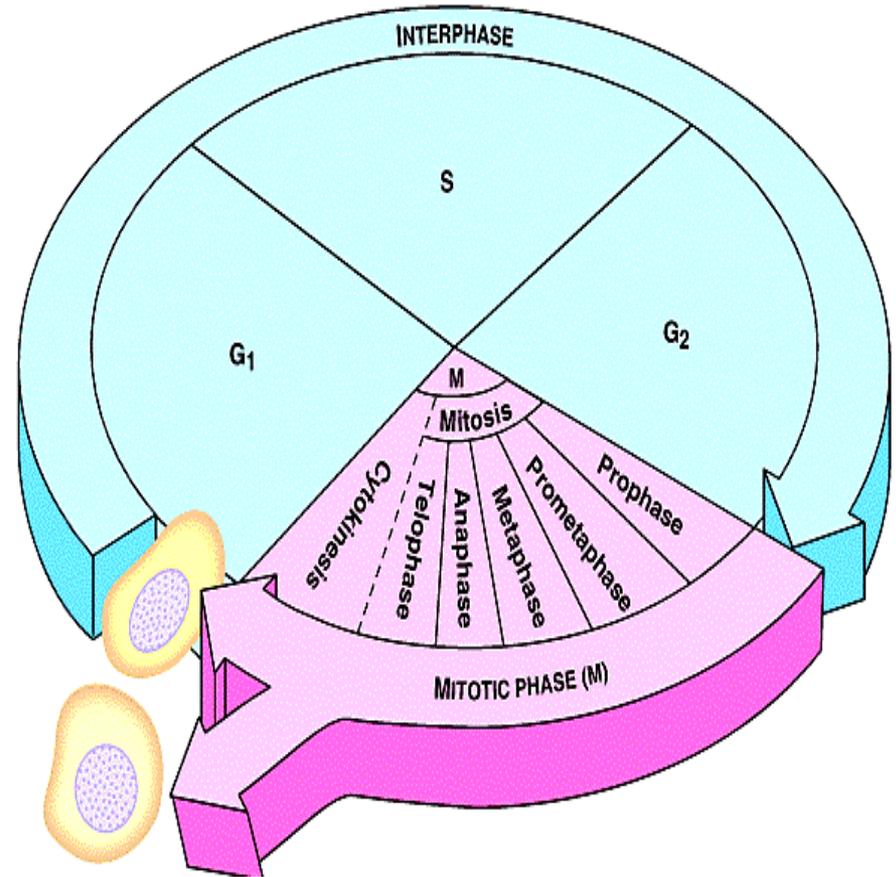
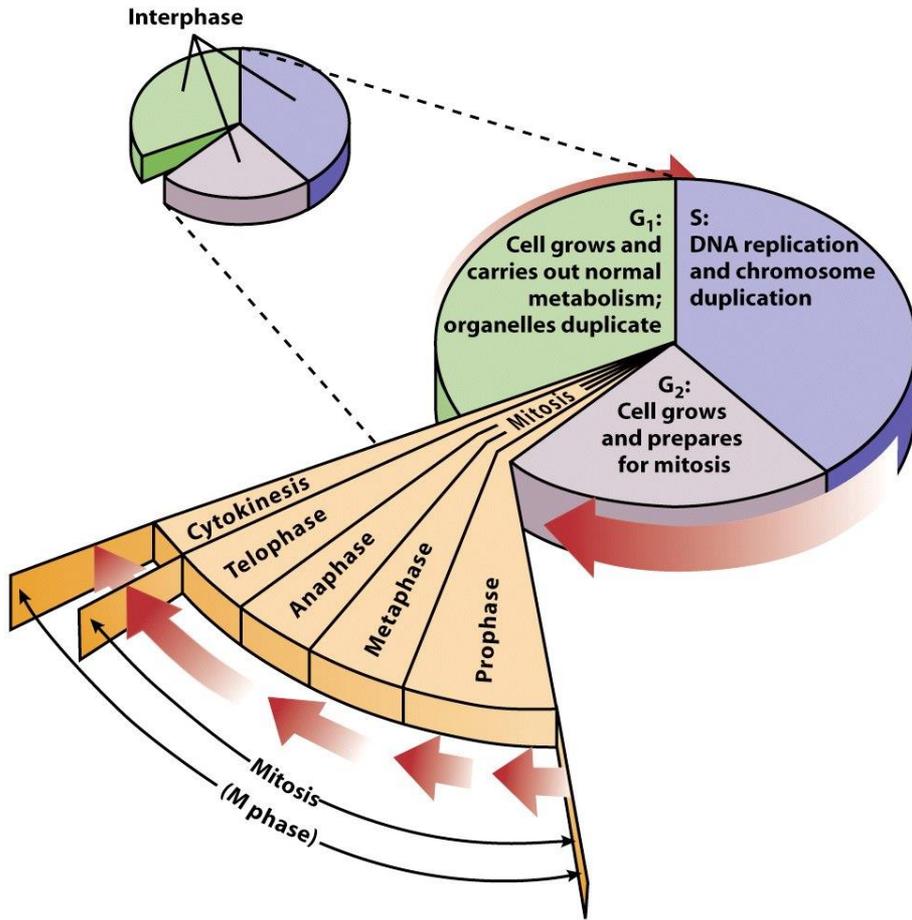
# The Cell Cycle

- ❑ The cell cycle is a sequence of cell growth and division.
- ❑ The cell cycle is the period from the beginning of one division to the beginning of the next.

- **The cell cycle consists of 2 major phases:**

- ❑ **Interphase** (cell growth and copying of chromosomes in preparation for cell division)
  - ✓  $G_1$  - primary growth phase
  - ✓ S – synthesis; DNA replicated
  - ✓  $G_2$  - secondary growth phasecollectively these **3 stages** are **called interphase**
- ❑ **Mitotic (M) phase** : (Karyokinesis and cytokinesis)
  - ✓ M – Karyokinesis ( **mitosis** )
  - ✓ C - cytokinesis
  - ✓ Daughter cells of mitosis **two identical to the original cell**
  - ✓ Have the **same number of chromosomes** as each other and as the parent cell from which they were formed cells are **(diploid (2n))**
  - ✓ **Identical** to each other, but **smaller than parent cell**
  - ✓ Must **grow in size** to become mature cells ( **$G_1$  of Interphase**)

# Cell Cycle



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# Interphase

- **Interphase - G<sub>1</sub> Stage**

- ✓ 1<sup>st</sup> growth stage after cell division
- ✓ Cells mature by making more cytoplasm & organelles
- ✓ increase the metabolic activity
- ✓ Synthesis of protein needed for DNA duplication & tubulin protein for formation of mitotic spindle .

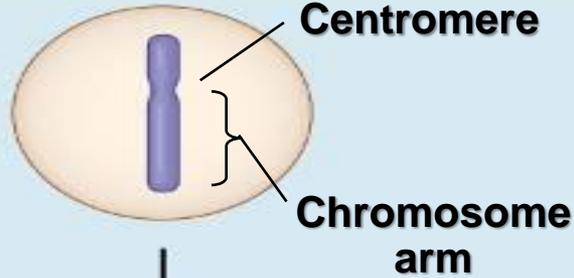
- **Interphase - S Stage**

- Synthesis stage
- DNA is copied or replicated
- Centrosome** duplication also takes place in this phase

**Chromosomal  
DNA molecules**

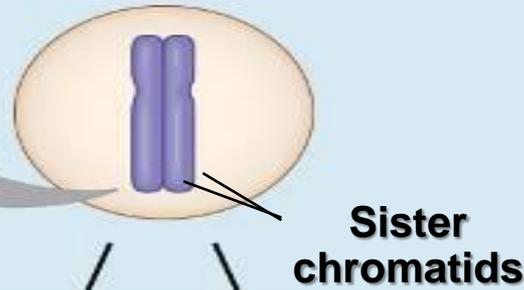
**Chromosomes**

**1**



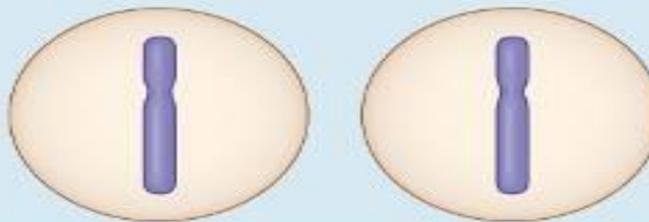
**Chromosome duplication  
(including DNA replication)  
and condensation**

**2**



**Separation of sister  
chromatids into  
two chromosomes**

**3**



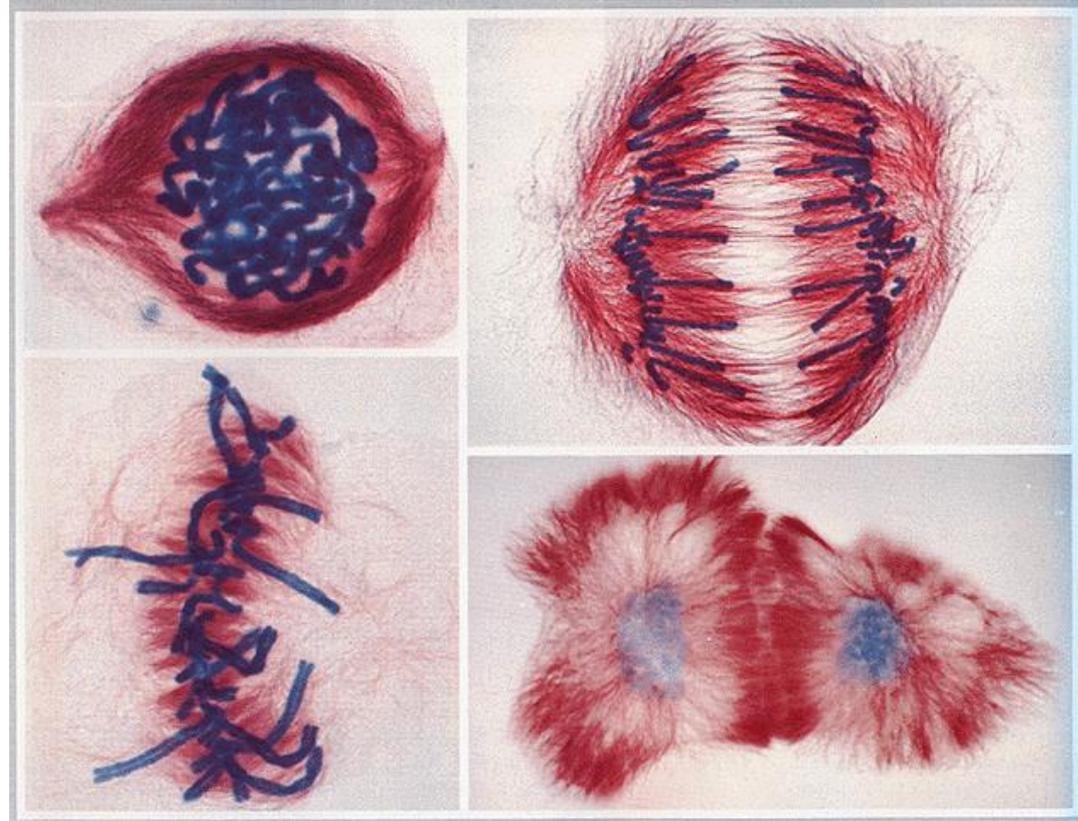
# Interphase – G<sub>2</sub> Stage

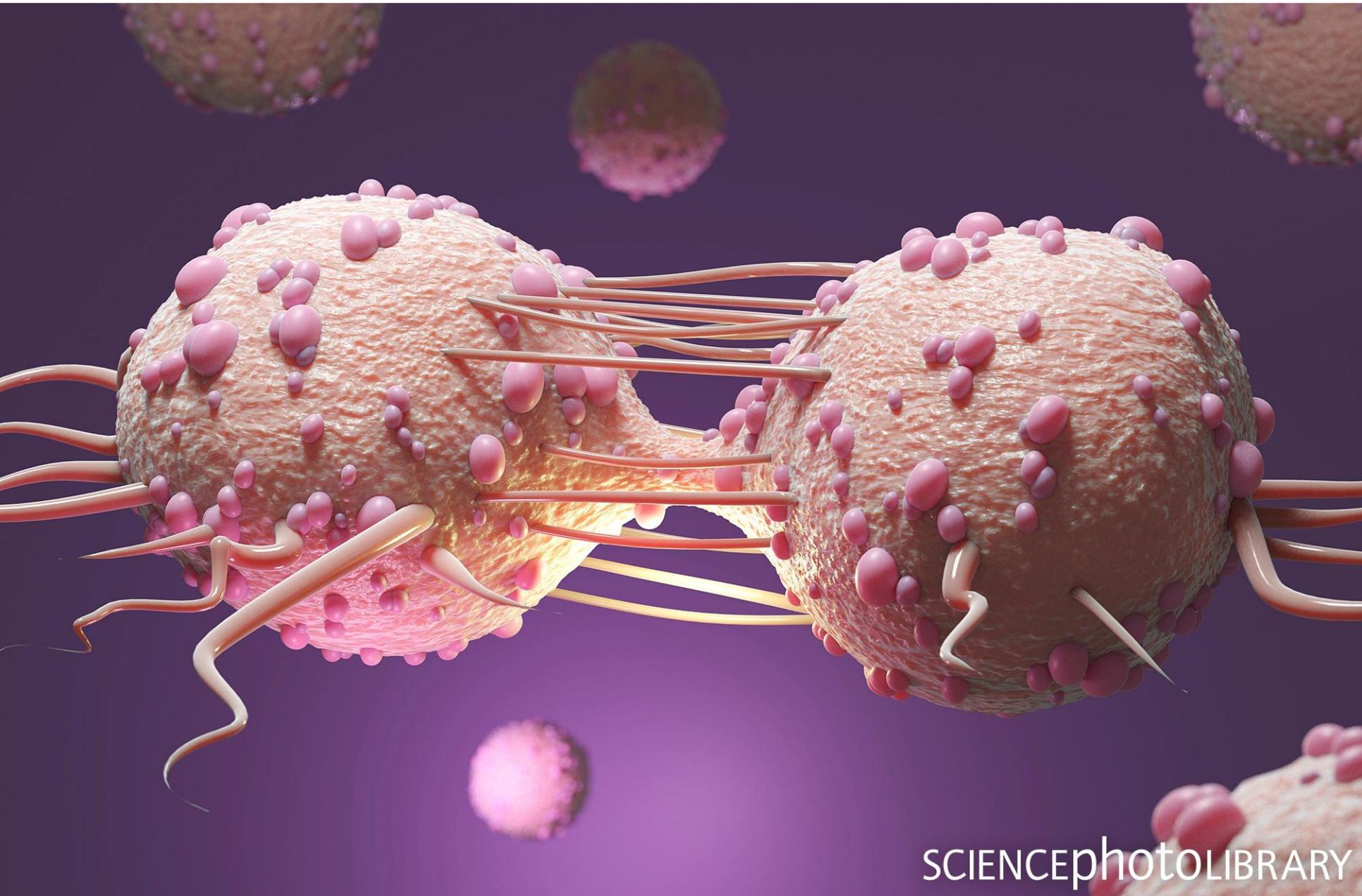
- ✓ 2<sup>nd</sup> Growth Stage
  - ✓ Occurs after DNA has been copied
  - ✓ All cell structures needed for division are made (e.g. centrioles)
  - ✓ Both organelles & proteins (tubulin) are synthesized
- preparation for Mitosis.
- Chromatin condenses & the nuclear envelope begins to disperse.
  - There is also production of **mRNA** and **tRNA**
  - similar to **G1** & some cells miss this stage

□ **G0 (stop phase) arrest of cell division**

# Mitosis

- ✓ Division of the nucleus  
called karyokinesis
- ✓ Division of the cytoplasm  
called Cytokinesis





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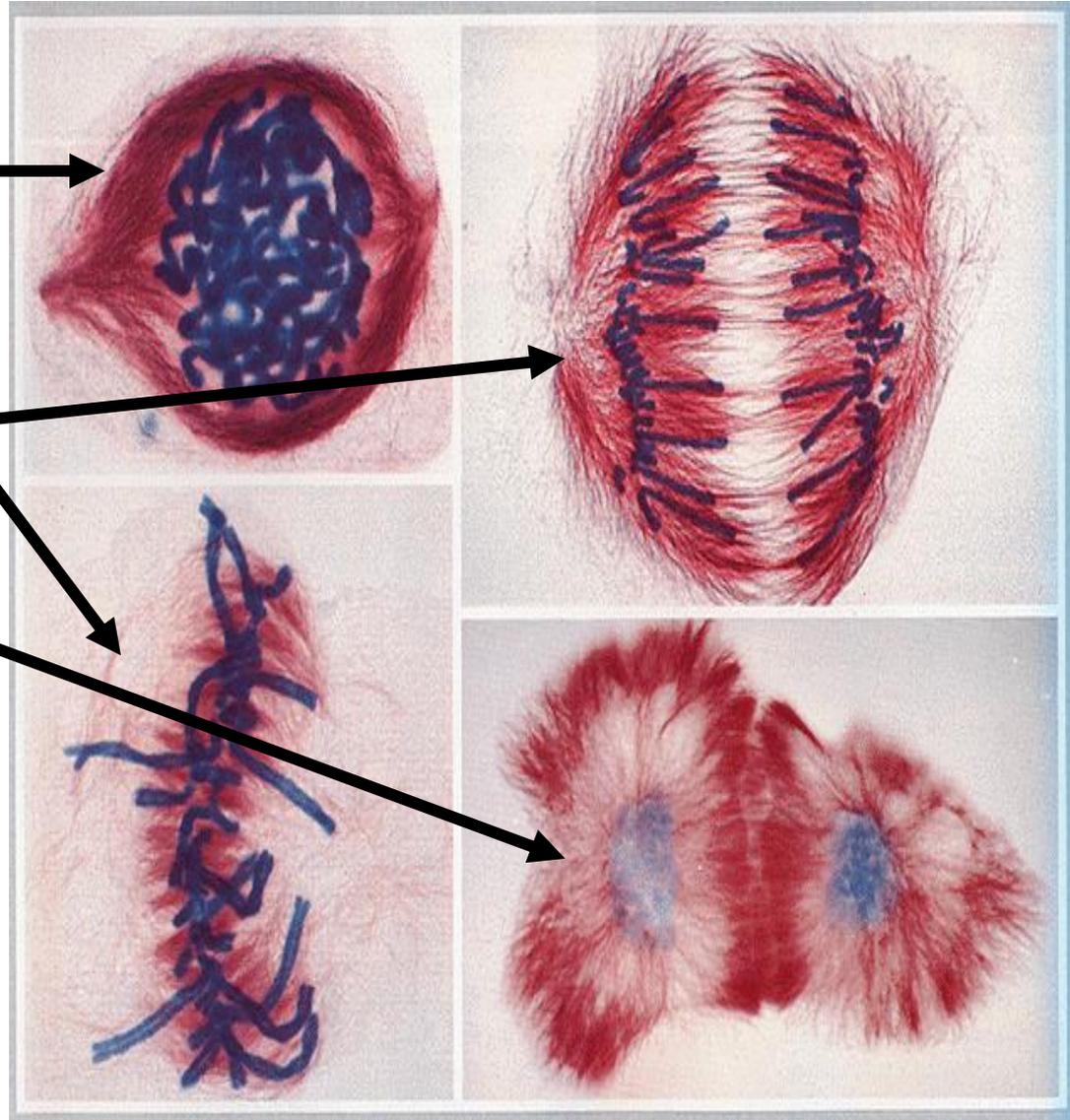
# Four Mitotic Stages

✓ **Prophase**

✓ **Metaphase**

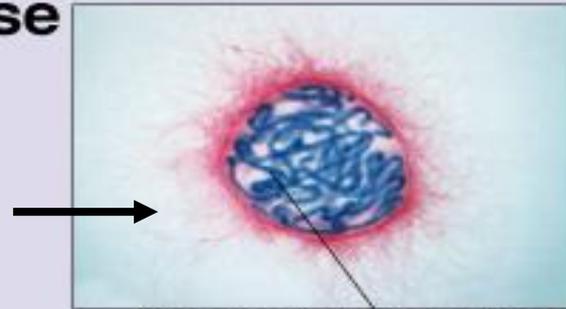
✓ **Anaphase**

✓ **Telophase**

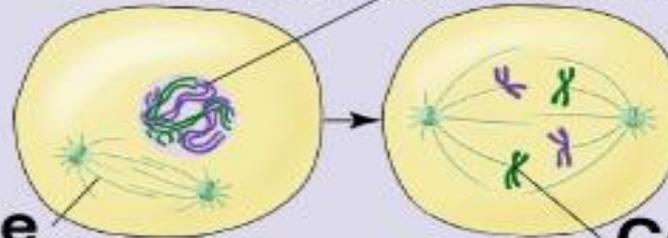


# Prophase

Prophase



Condensed chromosomes



Mitotic spindle  
beginning to form

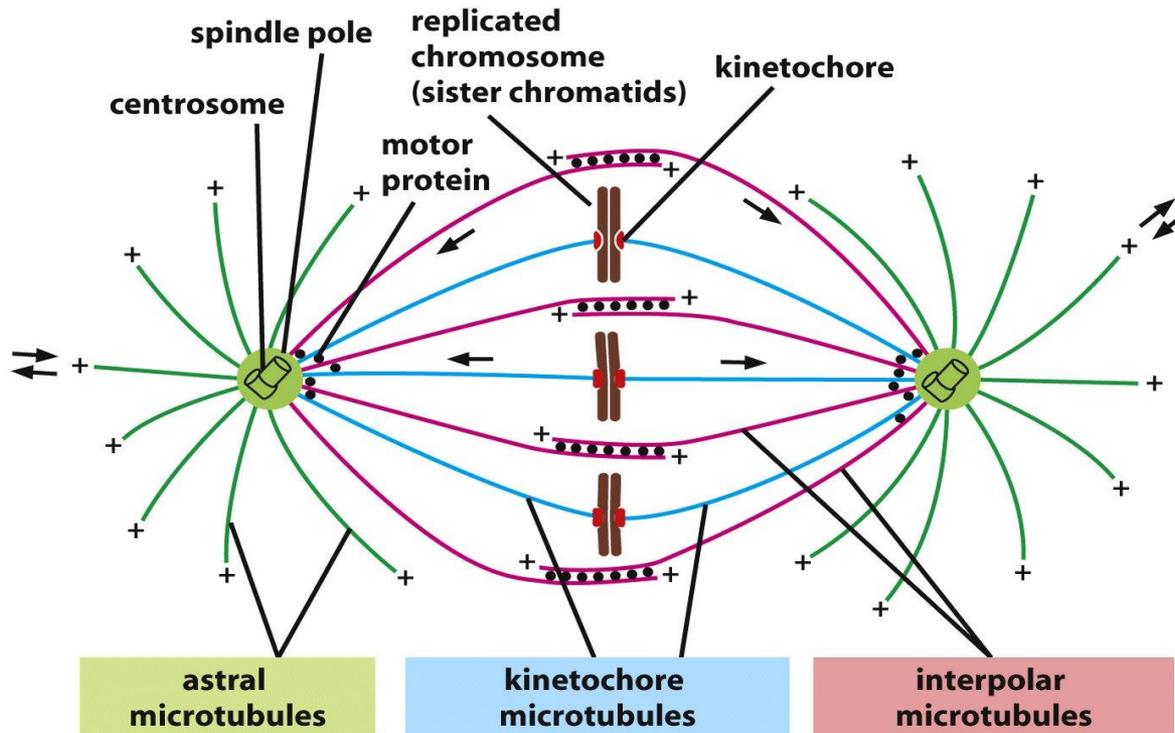
Centromere and  
kinetochore

- Nuclear membrane disintegrates, and nucleolus disappears
- Chromosomes condense
- Mitotic spindle begins to form and is complete at the end of prophase
- Kinetochores begin to mature and attach to spindle

Individual chromosomes become distinct through a light microscope during this mitotic stage(**Prophase** )

# Spindle Fibers

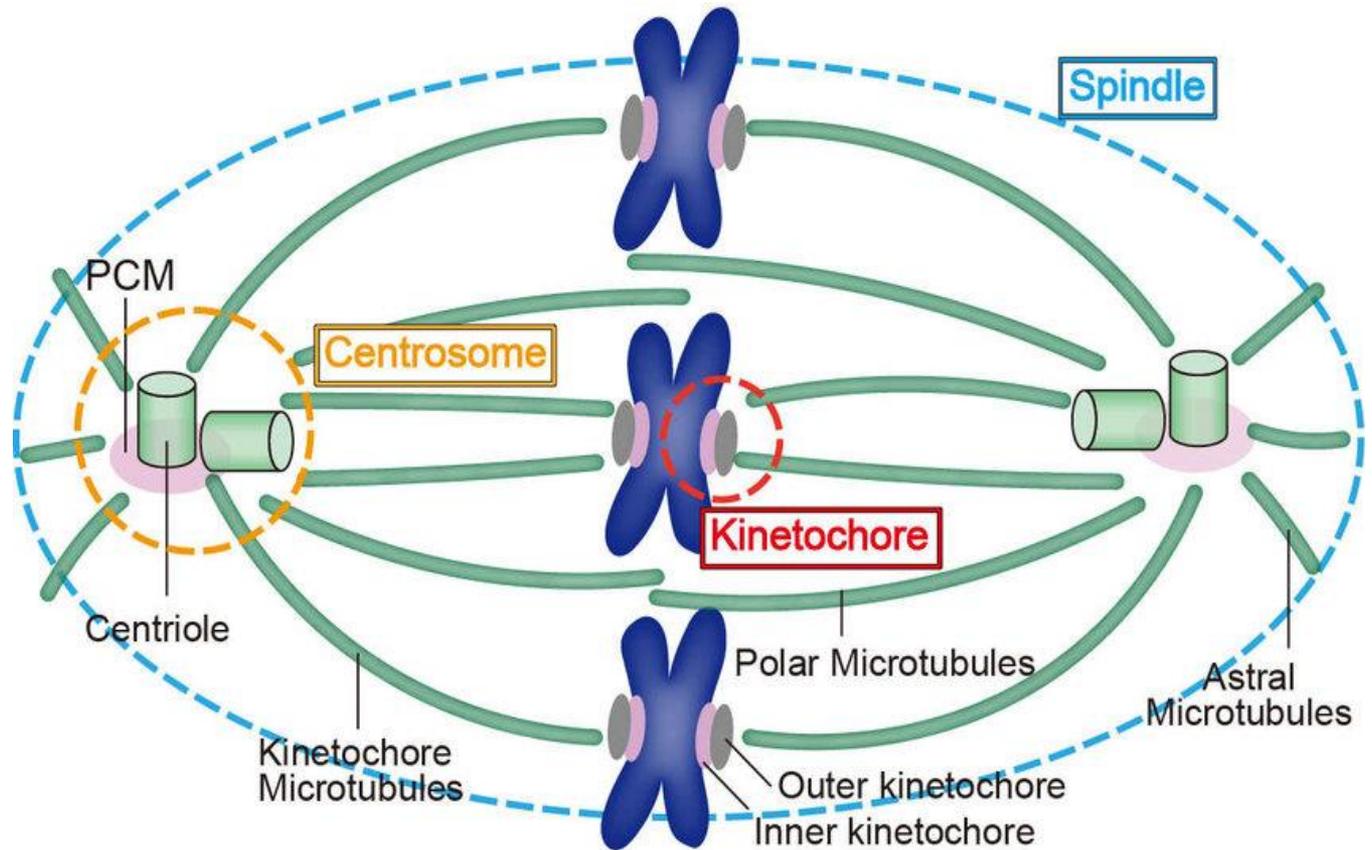
- ✓ The mitotic **spindle** form from the **centrioles**
- ✓ **Polar fibers** extend from one pole of the cell to the opposite pole
- ✓ **Kinetochores fibers** extend from the pole to the centromere of the chromosome to which they attach
- ✓ **Asters** are short fibers radiating from centrioles



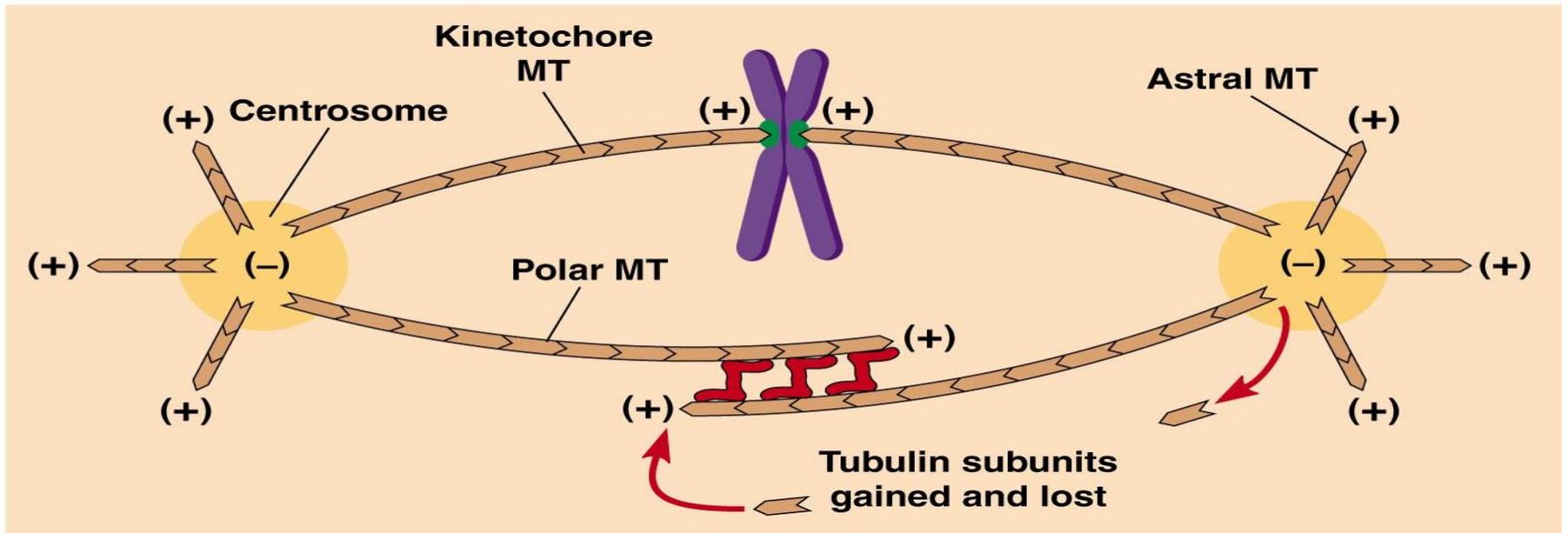
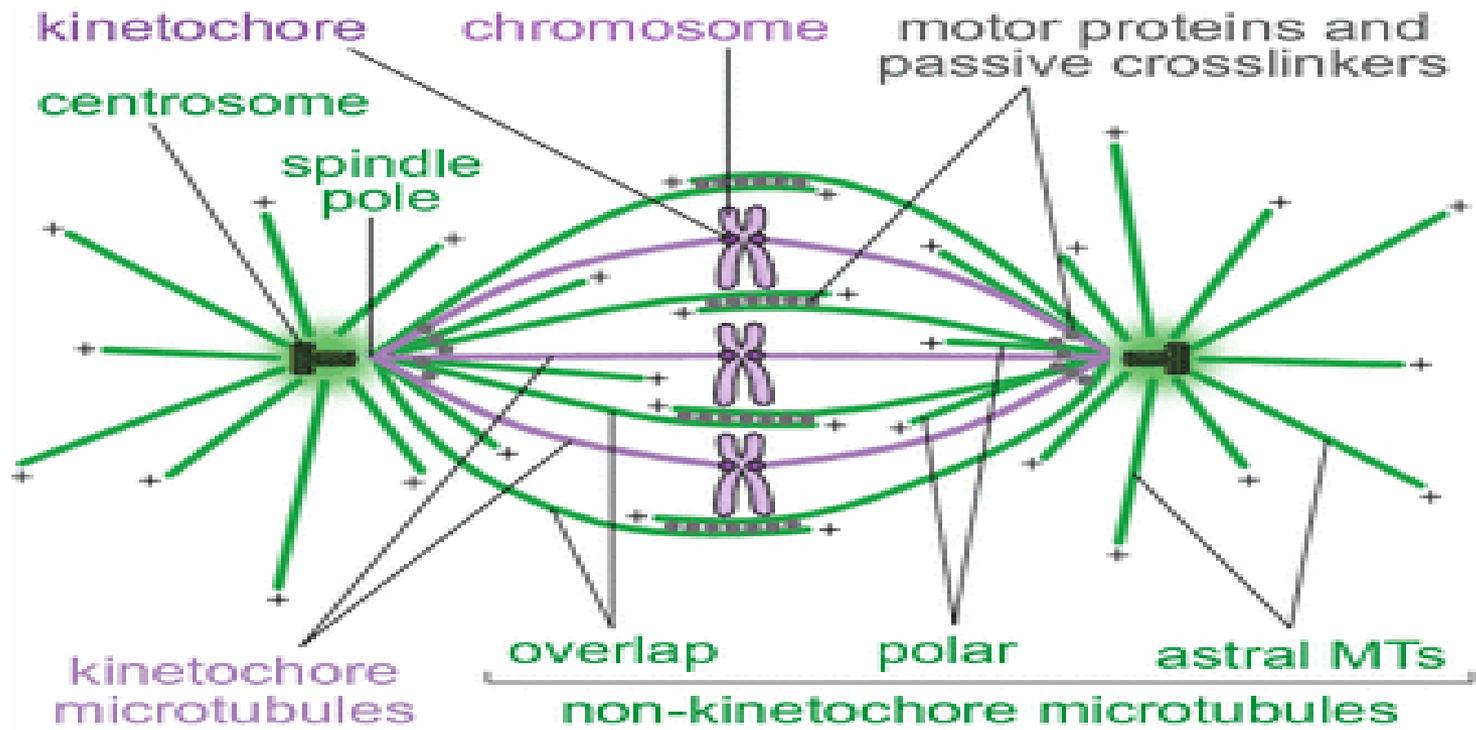
# The Mitotic Spindle

- The **mitotic spindle** is a structure made of microtubules that controls chromosome movement during mitosis
- In animal cells, assembly of spindle microtubules begins in the **centrosome**, the microtubule organizing center
- The centrosome replicates during interphase, forming two centrosomes that migrate to opposite ends of the cell during prophase and prometaphase
- An **aster** (a radial array of short microtubules) extends from each centrosome
- The spindle includes the centrosomes, the spindle microtubules, and the asters
- During prometaphase, some spindle microtubules attach to the kinetochores of chromosomes and begin to move the chromosomes
- **Kinetochores** are protein complexes associated with centromeres
- At metaphase, the chromosomes are all lined up at the **metaphase plate**, an imaginary structure at the midway point between the spindle's two poles
- In anaphase, sister chromatids separate and move along the kinetochore microtubules toward opposite ends of the cell
- The microtubules shorten by depolymerizing at their kinetochore ends

- Nonkinetochore microtubules from opposite poles overlap and push against each other, elongating the cell
- In telophase, genetically identical daughter nuclei form at opposite ends of the cell
- Cytokinesis begins during anaphase or telophase and the spindle eventually disassembles

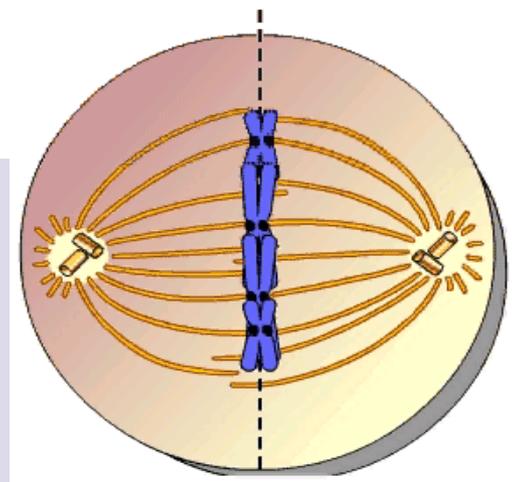
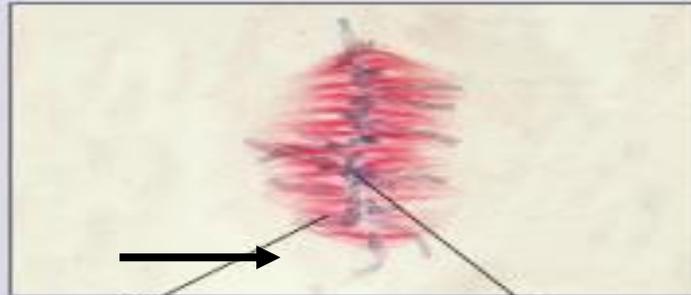


**Mitotic apparatus**



# Metaphase

## Metaphase



Mitotic spindle

Chromosomes aligned on metaphase plate

Polar microtubules

Kinetochores microtubules

- Kinetochores attach chromosomes to mitotic spindle and align them along metaphase plate at equator of cell

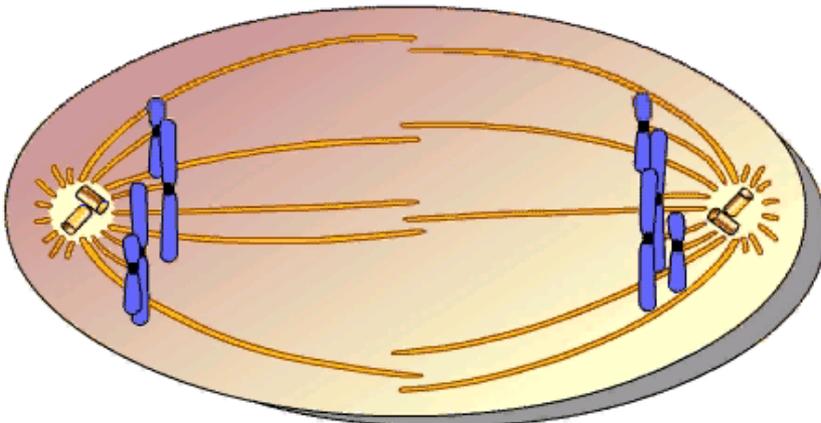
The best stage at which the total number of chromosomes can be **counted** in any species is **metaphase**

# 3-Anaphase

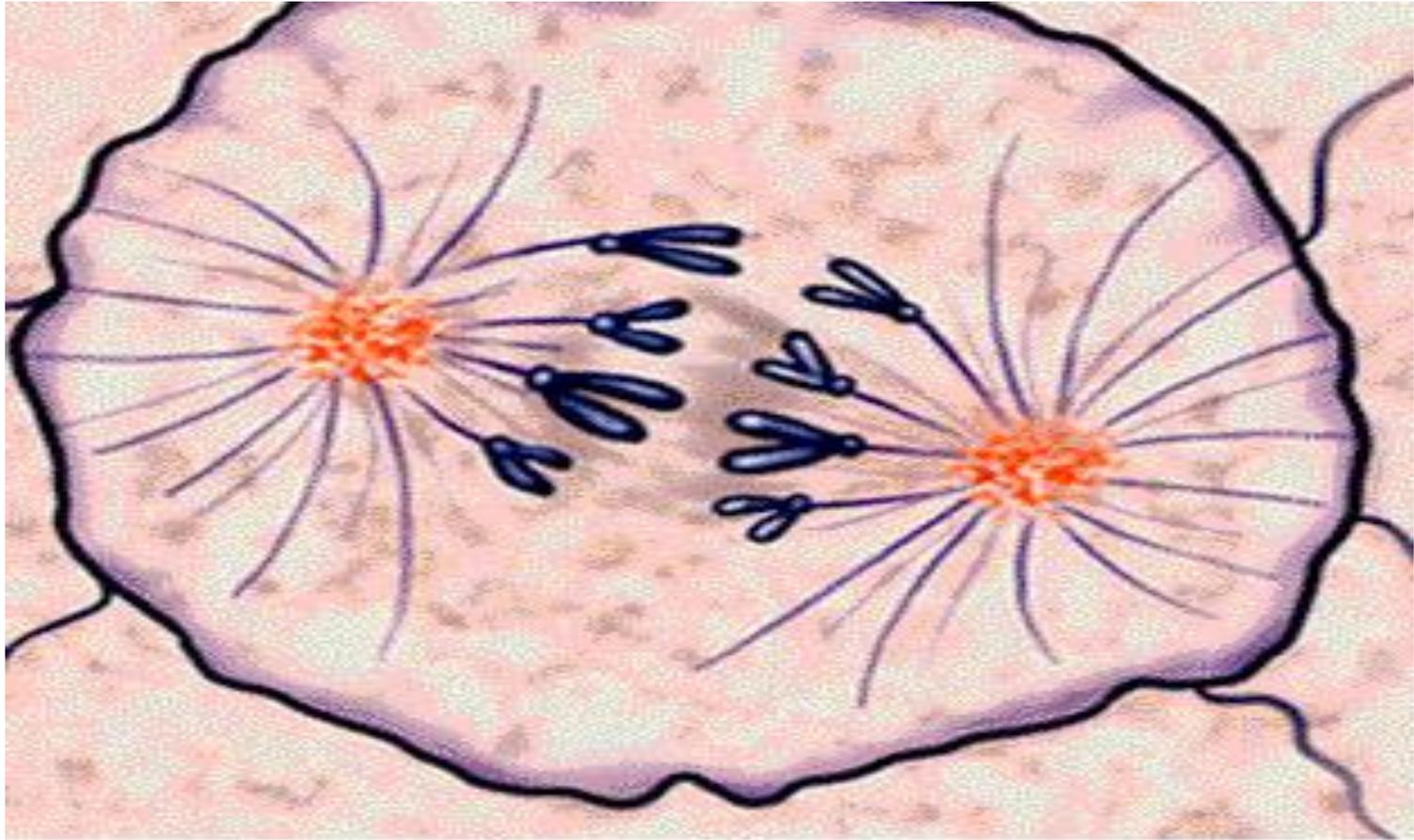
- Each centromere splits making two chromatids free
- Each chromatid moves toward a pole
- Cell begins to elongate, caused by microtubules not associated with the kinetochore

✓ Occurs rapidly

✓ Sister chromatids are pulled apart to opposite poles of the cell by kinetochore fibers



# Anaphase

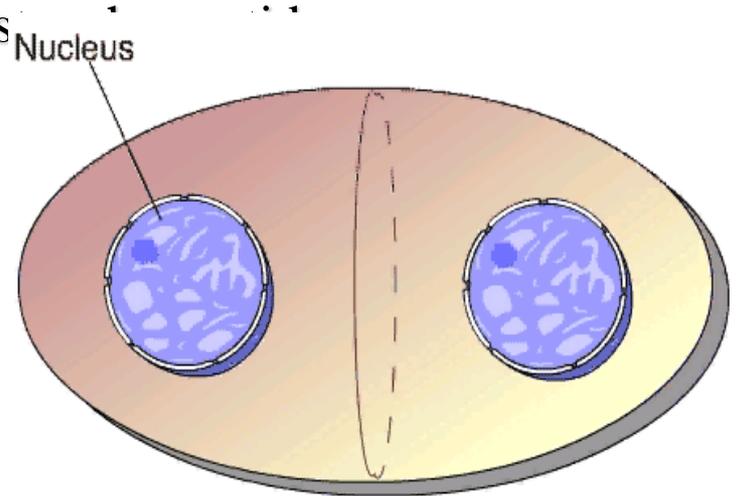


## Anaphase

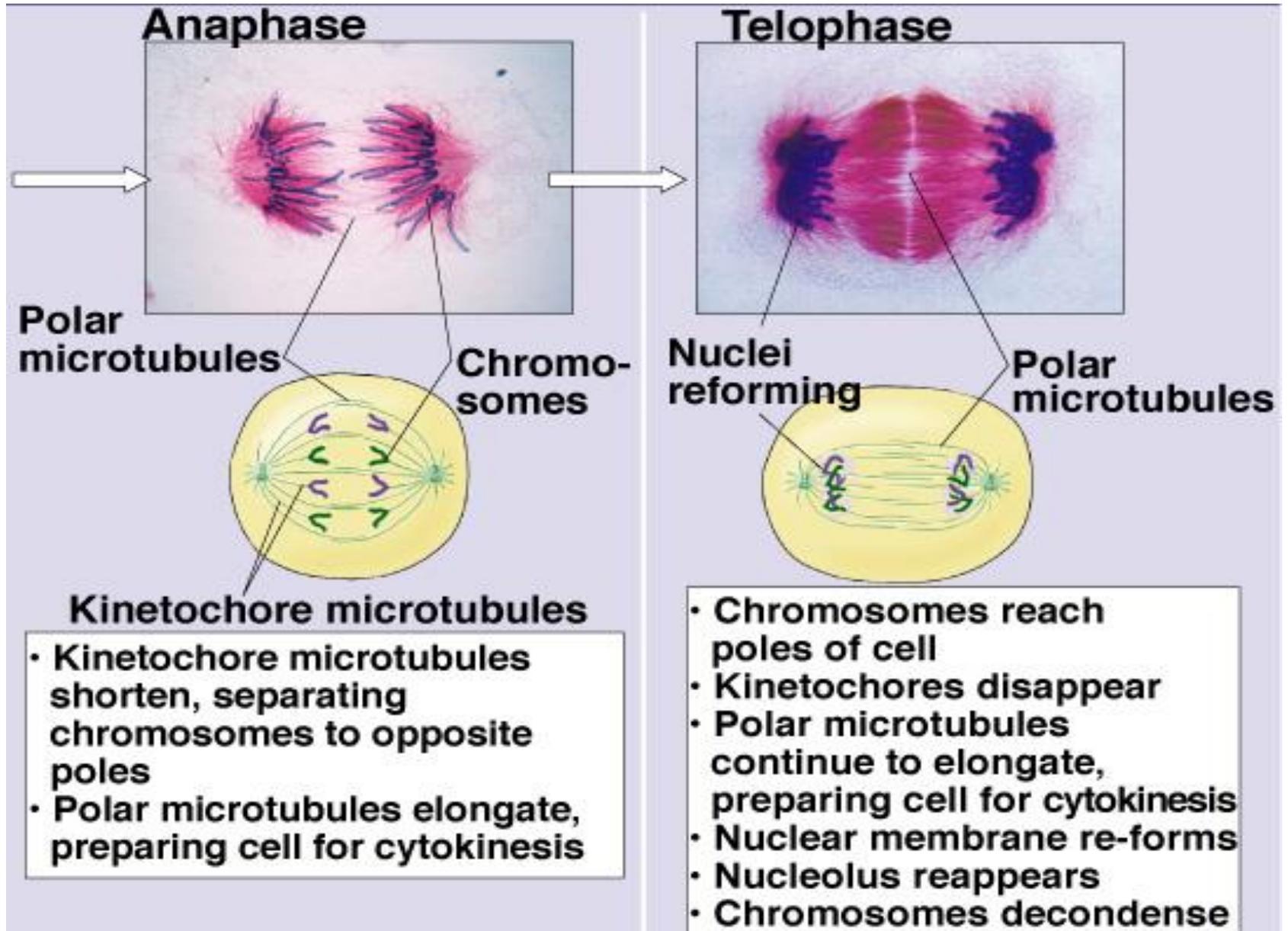
**Centromeres divide in two.  
Spindle fibers pull sister chromatids  
to opposite poles of cell.  
Each pole (future daughter cell) now  
has an identical set of genes.**

# 4. Telophase

- ❑ Formation of nuclear membrane and nucleolus
- ❑ Short and thick chromosomes begin to elongate to form long and thin chromatin
- ❑ Formation of the cleavage furrow - a shallow groove in the cell near the old metaphase plate
- ❑ Formation of cell plate starts at telophase
- **Cytokinesis** = division of the cytoplasm
  - ✓ Sister chromatids at opposite poles
  - ✓ Spindle disassembles
  - ✓ Nuclear envelope forms around each set of sister chromatids
  - ✓ Nucleolus reappears
  - ✓ CYTOKINESIS occurs
  - ✓ Chromosomes reappear as chromatin

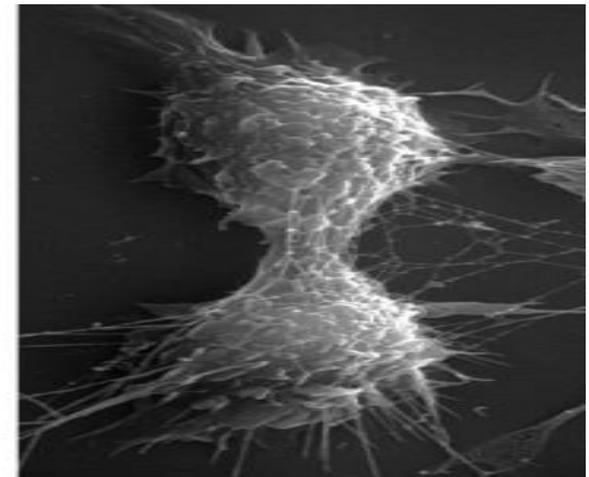


# Comparison of Anaphase & Telophase



# Cytokinesis

- ✓ Means division of the cytoplasm
  - ✓ Division of cell into two, identical halves called daughter cells
  - ✓ cleavage furrow forms to split cell
  - Nuclear membranes form around the two new sets of chromosomes.
  - The spindle fiber disappears.
  - Chromosomes start to uncoil (**chromatin**) and become less visible.
  - Cell starts to make a groove (**furrow**) in the middle to eventually split into two identical cells.
- If cells undergo mitosis and not cytokinesis, this will result in cell with two nuclei.



# The Key Roles of Cell Division

- The ability of organisms to produce more of their own kind best distinguishes living things from nonliving matter
- The **continuity of life** is based on the reproduction of cells, or **cell division**
- In unicellular organisms, division of one cell reproduces the entire organism
- Multicellular organisms depend on cell division for
  - Development from a fertilized cell
  - Growth
  - Repair
- Cell division is an integral part of the **cell cycle**, the life of a cell from formation to its own division
- **Most cell division results in genetically identical daughter cells**
- Most cell division results in daughter cells with identical genetic information, DNA
- The exception is meiosis, a special type of division that can produce sperm and egg cells