Mitochondria

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General outline

Found in nearly all eukaryotic cells

1-10 µm long



Can be various numbers of mitochondria in a cell

Move and change shape in a cell

May have been its own organism that at some point melded with other cells

Functions and Important molecules

Produces ATP through respiration

Glucose inserted in mitochondria through pyruvic acid

Glucose converted into carbon dioxide, water, and atp

Reproduces itself with its own DNA

Krebs cycle performed within



Relations

May recieve broken down fatty acids from peroxisome.

Membranes made by free ribosomes within mitochondria

Proteins within are created by nuclear DNA

Structure

Contains 2 phospholipid bilayers

Outer membrane smooth

Inner membrane rough

Membranes called cristae

MITOCHONDRION



Intermembrane Space

Coordinates the exchange of proteins and lipids between the mitochondria and cytosol

Signals pathways in order to regulate respiration



Mitochondrial Matrix

Respiration is performed here

Contains DNA and Ribosomes

Structure of the inner membrane gives a wide surface area for proteins to interact with



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