

Cytoskeleton

Chapter 17a

I.Cytoskeleton

II.Intermediate filaments

A. Background

B. Location

1. cytoplasm

2. nucleus = nuclear lamina

C. Structure

1. monomer - protein domains

2. dimer

3. tetramer

4. octamers

5. filament formation

D. Function

E. Classes

1. cytoplasmic

a. keratin

b. vimentin & vimentin related filaments

c. neurofilaments

2. nuclear = nuclear lamina

a. lamin

b. progeria

F. Additional proteins

1. plectin

III.Microtubules

A. Background

B. Structure

1. tubulin

a. heterodimer

1) α -tubulin

2) β -tubulin

2. polarized

C. Tubule formation

1. centrosome

2. contents

a. centrioles

b. centrosome matrix

1) γ -tubulin

a) nucleation site

3. basal bodies

D. Tubule growth

1. half-life of tubule

2. dynamic instability

3. observational

1) catastrophe

2) rescue

4. molecularly

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5. overview

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a. lab

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2) vinblastine & vincristine

3) taxol

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 - 2. structure
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 - 1) 9 + 2
 - 3. movement
 - a. dynein
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