Topic 04

Botany

Learning Objectives

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Outline

- a. Botany overview
- b. Plant cell organelles
- c. Shoots & roots
- d. Biosphere hierarchy

Organism In biology, an organism is an entity capable of carrying on life functions. All organisms are composed of cells. Organisms are classified by **taxonomy** into groups such as multicellular animals, plants, and fungi; or

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unicellular microorganisms such as protists, bacteria, and archaea

Plants are organisms.

Definition

Botany

Botany is the science of plants and plant life. It is a branch of the life sciences. An introduction to botany is part of high school biology classes. Lower grades introduce some basic concepts of botany.

Scientists who study plants are called botanists. Botanists study over 400,000 species (types) of plants.

Botany overview

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During most of the 1900's botany studies included the study of plants, fungi and algae.

During 1980s-90s molecular analysis showed different "kingdoms" – big groups of organisms that are similar.

Because of this new knowledge, there are three separate but similar disciplines: Botanists (plants), Mycologists (fungi), and Phycologists (algae).

































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