Complex Tissues

Composed of a mix of cell types

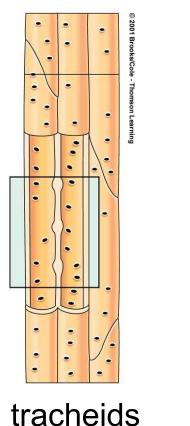
Xylem

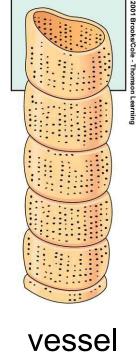
Phloem

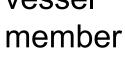
Epidermis

Xylem

- Conducts water and dissolved minerals
- Conducting cells are dead and hollow at maturity

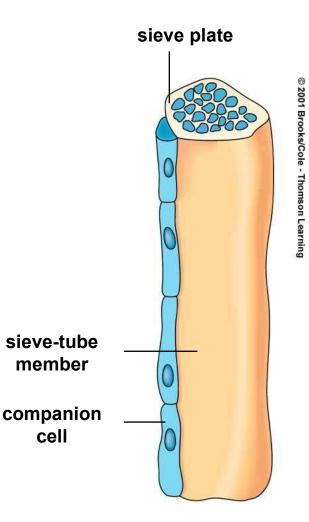






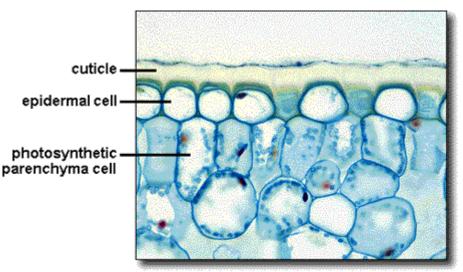
Phloem: A Complex Vascular Tissue

- Transports sugars
- Main conducting cells are sievetube members
- Companion cells assist in the loading of sugars

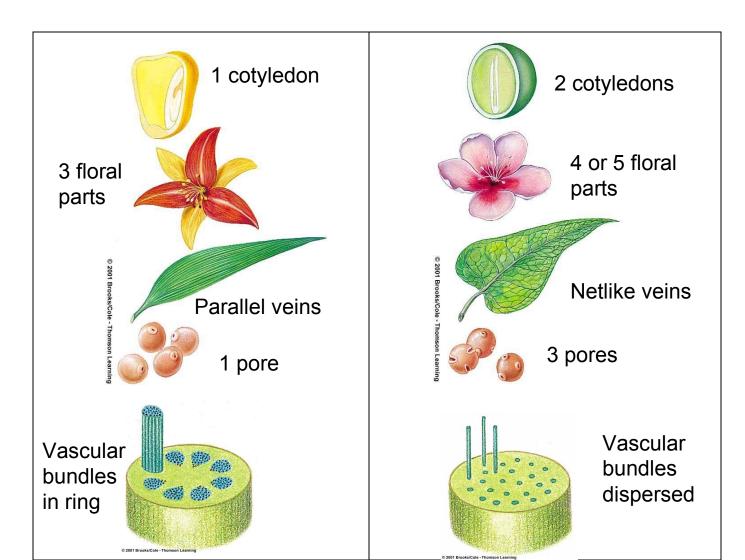


Epidermis: A Complex Plant Tissue

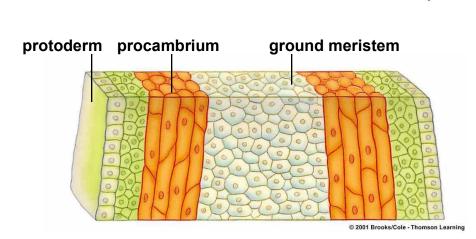
- Covers and protects plant surfaces
- Secretes a waxy, waterproof cuticle
- In plants with secondary growth, periderm replaces epidermis

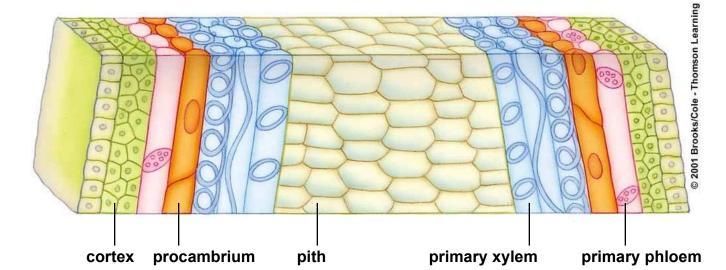


Monocots and Dicots – same tissues, different features



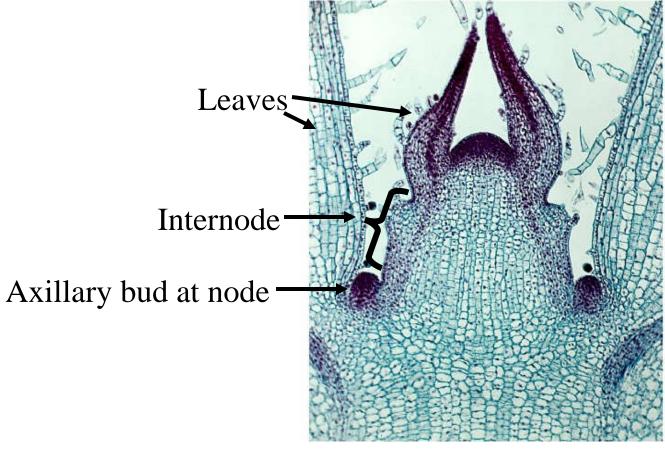






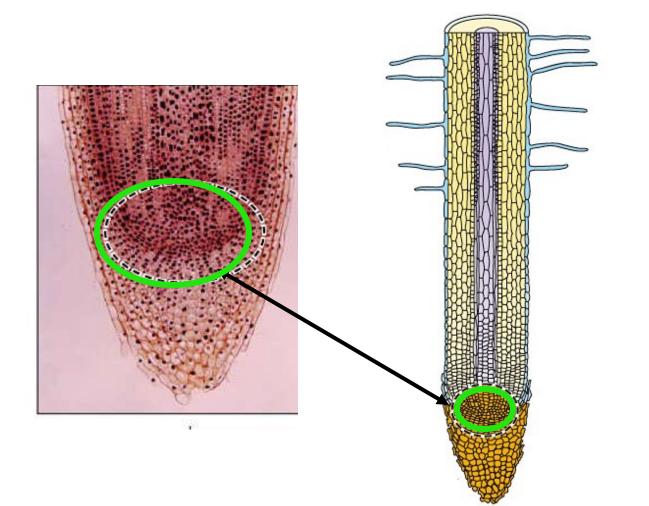
shoot apical meristem

Bud = undeveloped shoot of meristematic tissue



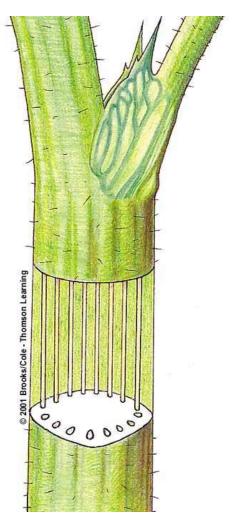
Longitudinal section of terminal bud

Roots also have meristems



Internal Structure of a Dicot Stem

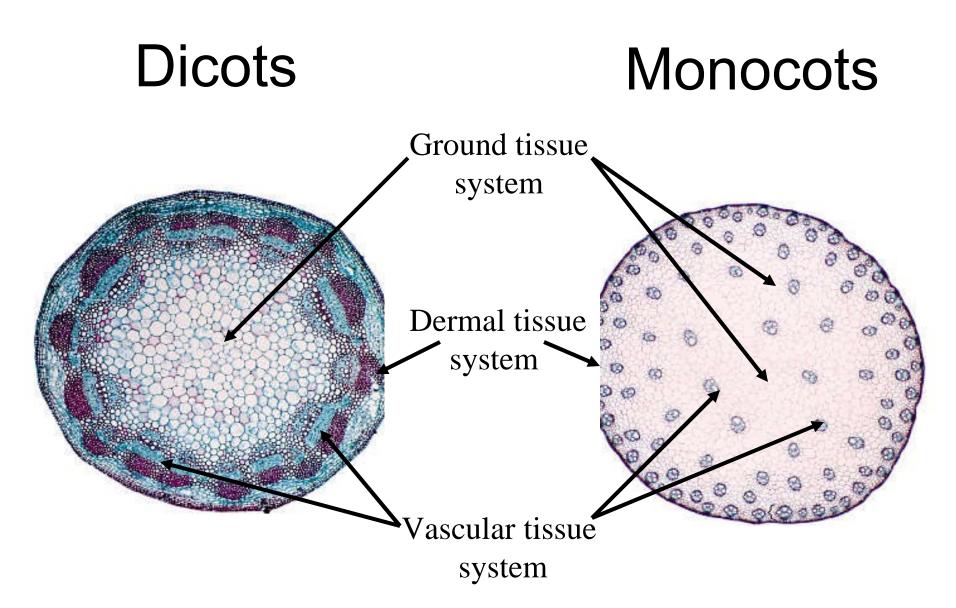
- Outermost layer is epidermis
- Cortex lies beneath epidermis
- Ring of vascular bundles separates the cortex from the pith
- The pith lies in the center of the stem



Internal Structure of a Monocot Stem

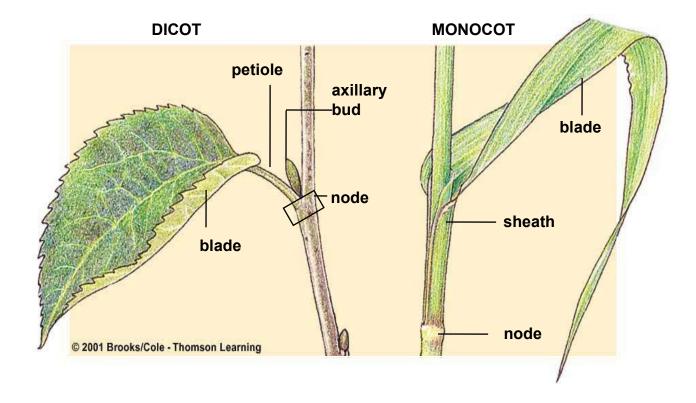


- The vascular bundles are distributed throughout the ground tissue
- No division of ground tissue into cortex and pith



Dicots and Monocots have different stem and root anatomies

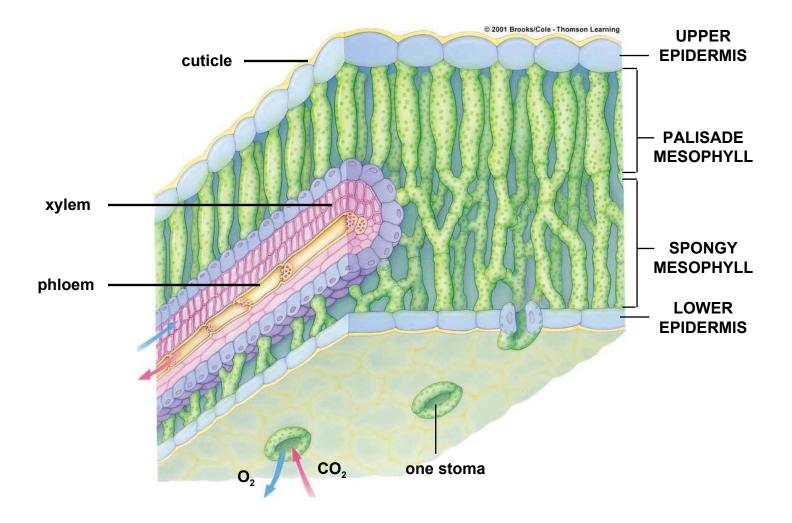
Leaf Gross Structure



Adapted for Photosynthesis

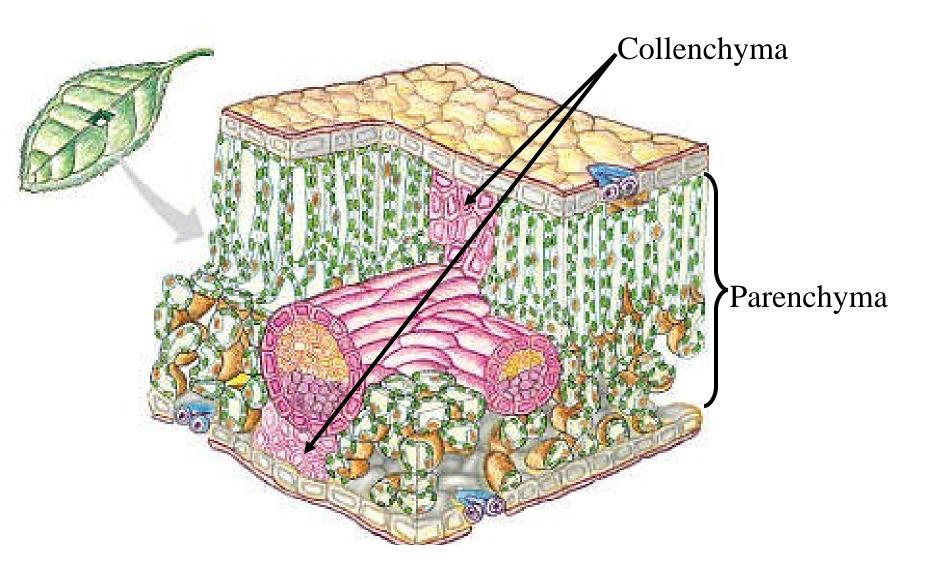
- Leaves are usually thin
 - High surface area-to-volume ratio
 - Promotes diffusion of carbon dioxide in, oxygen out
- Leaves are arranged to capture sunlight
 - Are held perpendicular to rays of sun
 - Arrange so they don't shade one another

Leaf Structure



Mesophyll: Photosynthetic Tissue

- A type of parenchyma tissue
- Cells have chloroplasts
- Two layers in dicots
 - Palisade mesophyll
 - Spongy mesophyll

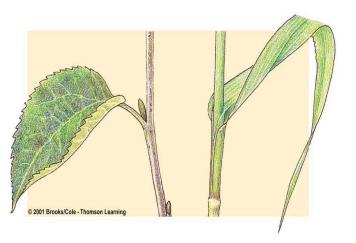


Leaf Veins: Vascular Bundles

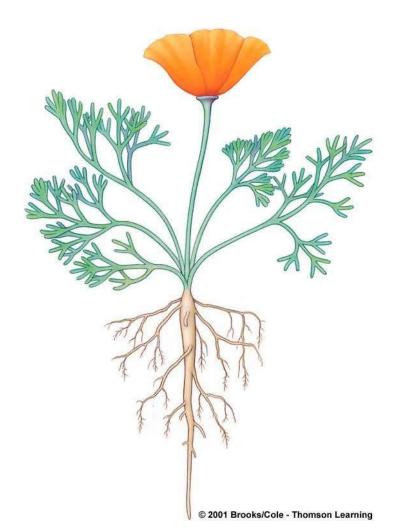
• Xylem and phloem –

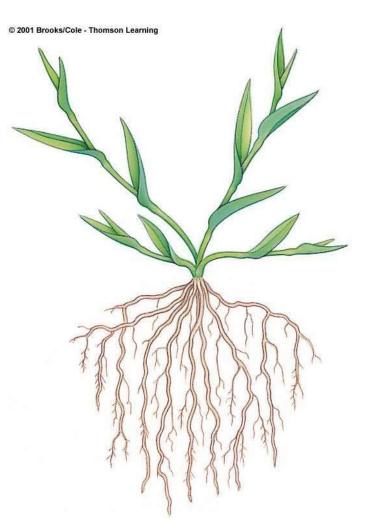
often strengthened with fibers

- In dicots, veins are netlike
- In monocots, they are parallel



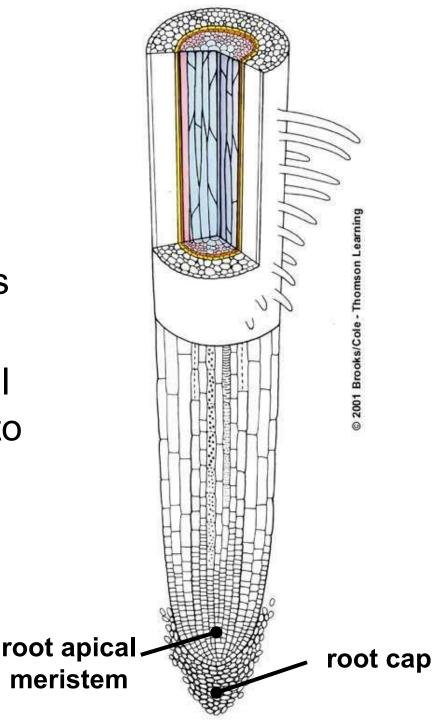
Root Systems





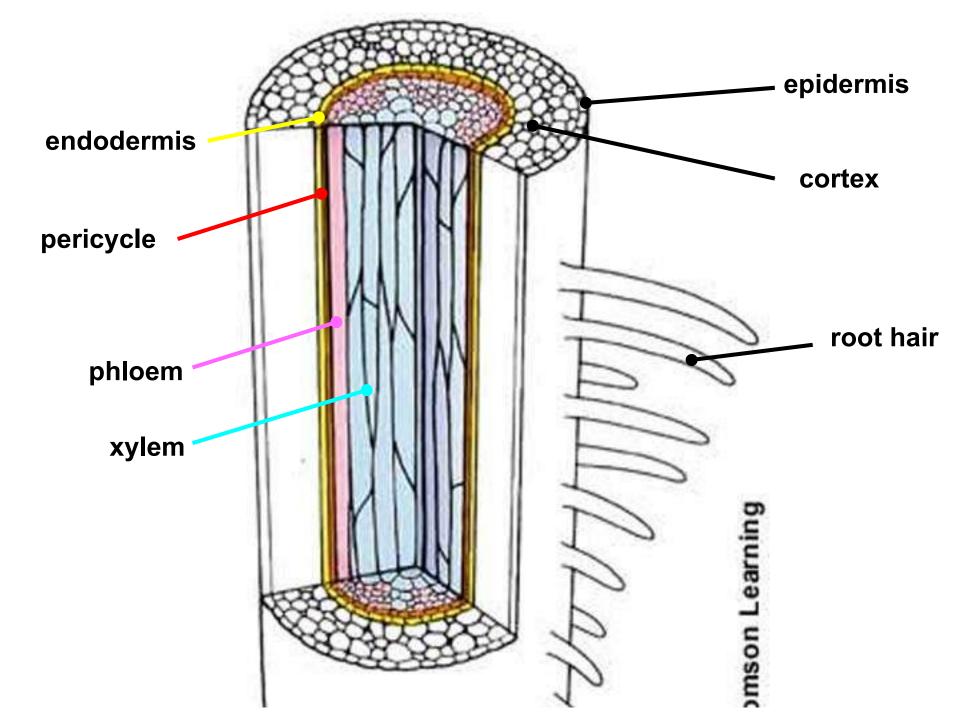
Root Structure

- Root cap covers tip
- Apical meristem produces the cap
- Cell divisions at the apical meristem cause the root to lengthen
- Farther up, cells differentiate and mature



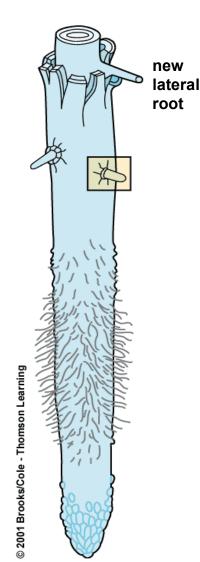
Internal Structure of a Root

- Outermost layer is epidermis
- Root cortex is beneath the epidermis
- Endodermis, then pericycle surround the vascular cylinder
- In some plants, there is a central pith



Root Hairs and Lateral Roots

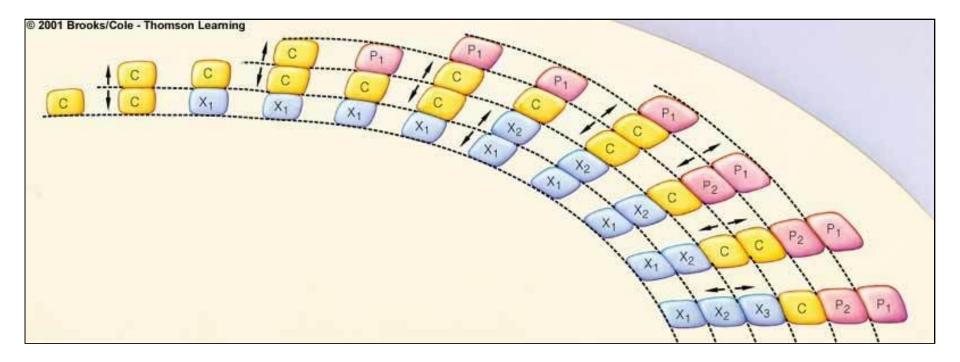
- Both increase the surface area of a root system
- Root hairs are tiny extensions of epidermal cells
- Lateral roots arise from the pericycle and must push through the cortex and epidermis to reach the soil



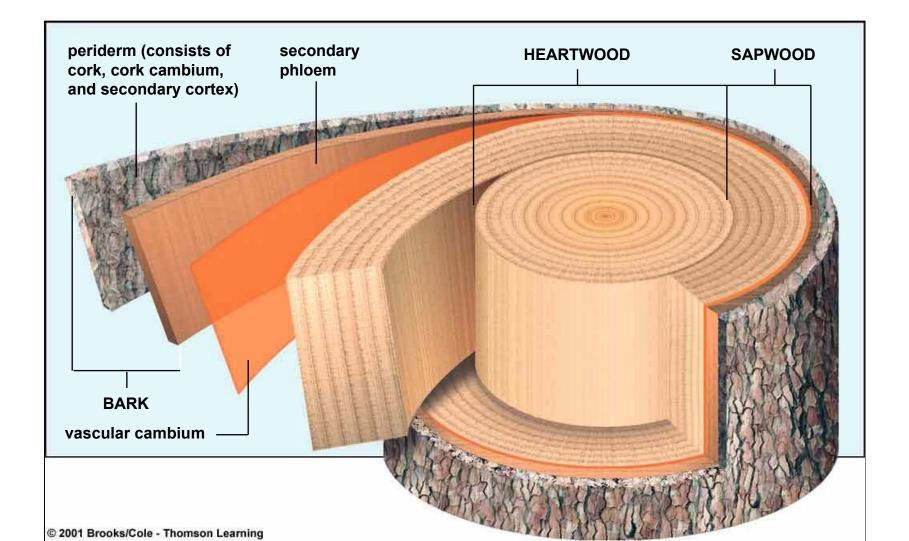
Secondary Growth

- Occurs in perennials
- A ring of vascular cambium produces secondary xylem and phloem
- Wood is the accumulation of these secondary tissues, especially xylem

Secondary Growth



Woody Stem



Annual Rings

- Concentric rings of secondary xylem
- Alternating bands of early and late wood
- Early wood
 - Xylem cells with large diameter, thin walls
- Late wood
 - Xylem cells with smaller diameter, thicker walls

Types of Wood

- Hardwood (oak, hickory)
 - Dicot wood
 - Xylem composed of vessels, tracheids, and fibers
- Softwood (pine, redwood)
 - Gymnosperm wood
 - Xylem composed mostly of tracheids
 - Grows more quickly