

Chapter 4 - Cell membranes and transport

2 types of cell membrane:

- ↳ Cell surface membrane (plasma membrane)
- Extracellular membrane surrounding the cell

- ↳ Intracellular membrane

- Eg: Nuclear membrane (surrounds the nuclei)
Tonoplast (surrounds the vacuole)
- Found within the cells

Functions of cell membrane:

- Separate contents of the cell from their external environment * Extracellular
- Control substances to enter and leave a cell (nutrients, waste, secretion, ionic gradient) * Extracellular
- Separate 1 organelle from another * Intracellular * Intracellular
- Isolate harmful substances from the rest of the cell (lysosomes)
- Folded into microvilli (\uparrow surface area) * Extracellular

- ↳ Cell surface membrane follows the fluid mosaic model.

* Fluid \rightarrow Phospholipid moves in lateral direction

* Mosaic \rightarrow Proteins are scattered randomly within phospholipid bilayer

- ↳ Fluid Mosaic Model:

