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Epidermis plant stem

A stem connects the roots to the leaves, provides support, stores food, and holds the leaves, flowers, and buds. Summarize the main function and basic structure of the Key Takeaways Key Points tribes Most strains are found above ground, but some of them grow underground. Stems can be either unbranched or highly branched; they can be herbaceous or woody. Stems connect the roots of the leaves, helping to transport water, minerals and sugar to different parts of the plant. Plant stems always have nodes (points of attachment for leaves, roots and flowers) and internodes (regions between nodes). The petiole is the stem that extends from the trunk to the base of the leaf. An axillary bud gives rise to a branch or a flower; it is usually found in axial: the junction of the trunk and petiole. Key terms node: points of attachment for leaves, antenna roots, and internodes: a part of the stem between two stem nodes petiole: stem that extends from the stem to the base of the leaf axillary bud: embryonic shoot located at the junction of the trunk and petiole that gives rise to a branch or flower stems is part of the shooting system of a plant. They can be in length from a few millimeters to hundreds of meters. They also vary in diameter, depending on the plant type. Stems are usually above ground, although the stems of some plants, such as potatoes, also grow underground. Stems can be herbaceous (soft) or woody in nature. Their main function is to provide support to the plant, keep leaves, flowers, and buds; in some cases, stems also store food for the plant. A trunk can be unbranched, like a palm tree, or it can be very branched, like a magnolia tree. The stem of the plant connects the roots to the leaves, helping to transport absorbed water and minerals to different parts of the plant. The stem also helps to transport the products of photosynthesis (i.e. sugars) from the leaves to the rest of the plant. Plant strains, whether above or below soil, are characterized by the presence of nodes and internodes. Nodes are points of attachment for leaves, antenna roots, and flowers. The backbone region between two nodes is called an internode. The stem that extends from the trunk to the base of the leaf is petiole. An axillary bud is usually found in axial (the area between the base of a leaf and the stem) where it can give rise to a branch or a flower. Apex (the tip) of the shoot contains the apical meristem within the apical bud. Parts of a stem: Leaves are attached to the stem at areas called nodes. An internode is the backbone region between two nodes. The petiole is the stem that connects the leaf to the trunk. The leaves just above the nodes arise from axillary buds. The anatomy of the trunk consists of three tissue systems that work together to support, protect, and aid in the nourishing plant. Summarize the roles of dermal tissue, vascular tissue, and ground tissue. Key Takeaways Key points The strain has three simple cell types: the collenchyma, and sclerenchyma cells that are responsible for metabolic functions, repair and heal wounds, and store starch. The trunk consists of three tissue systems that include the epidermis, vascular, and ground tissues, all of which are made of the simple cell types.. The xylem and phloem carry water and nutrients up and down the length of the stem and are arranged in distinct strands called vascular bundles. The epidermis is a single layer of cells that make up the dermal tissue that covers the stem and protects the underlying tissue. Woody plants have an extra layer of protection on top of the epidermis made of cork cells called bark. The vascular tissue of the stem consists of the complex tissues xylem and phloem that carry water and nutrients up and down the length of the stem and are arranged in distinct strands called vascular bundles. Ground tissue helps support the stem and is called marrow when it is located towards the center of the trunk and is called the cortex when it is between the vascular tissue and the epidermis. Key terms collenchyma: a supporting ground tissue just below the surface of various leaf structures formed before vascular differentiation sclerenchyma: a mechanical, supporting ground tissue in plants consisting of aggregates of cells with thick, often mineralized walls of sclereid: a reduced form of sclerenchyma cells with highly thickened, lignified walls lignin: a complex, non-carbohydrate, polymer found in all aromatics : a pore found in leaves and stalk epidermis used for gaseous replacement trichome : a hair- or scale-like extension of the epidermis of a plant xylem: a vascular tissue in land plants primarily responsible for the distribution of water and minerals absorbed by the roots, also the primary component of wood phloem: a vascular tissue in land plants primarily responsible for the distribution of sugars and nutrients produced in the bulkhead tracheid : elongated cells in the xylem of vascular plants that serve in the transport of water and mineral salts marrow: the soft spongy substance in the center of the stems of many plants and tree cortex : the tissue of a stem or root located inward from the epidermis, but the exterior to the vascular tissue parenchyma: the soil tissue that makes up most of the non-woody parts of a stem plant and other plant organs are mainly made of three simple cell types: parenchyma, collenchyma, and sclerenchyma cells. Parenkymatelle are the most common plant cells. They are found in the stem, the root, the inside of the leaf, and the pulp. Parenkymatelle are responsible for metabolic functions, such as photosynthesis. They also help to repair and heal wounds. In addition, some parenchyma cells store starch. Parenchymatelle in Plants: The strain of ordinary St. John's wort (Hypericum perforatum) appears in cross-section in this light micrograph. The central marrow (greenish blue, middle) and peripheral cortex (narrow zone 3-5 cells thick, inside the epidermis) is composed of parenchyma cells. Vascular tissue consisting of xylem (red) and phloem tissue (green, between xylem and cortex) surrounds marrow. Collenkyema cells are elongated cells with unevenly-thickened walls. They provide structural support, mainly to the trunk and leaves. These cells are alive at maturation and are usually found during the epidermis. The strands of a celery stalk are an example of collenkyema cells. Collenkyema cell walls are uneven in thickness, as seen in this light micrograph. They provide support for plant structures. Sclerenchyma cells also provide support to the plant, but unlike collenkyema cells, many of them are dead on maturation. There are two types of sclerenchyma cells: fibers and sclereids. Both types have secondary cell walls that are thickened with lignin deposits, an organic compound that is a key component of wood. Fibers are long, slender cells; sclereids are smaller in size. Sclereids give peers their gritty texture. People use sclerenchyma fibers to make linen and rope. Sclerenchyma cells in Plants: The central marrow and outer cortex of (a) the stem consists of parenchymatelle. Inside the cortex is a layer of sclerenchyma cells, which make up the fibers of flax ropes and clothing. People have grown and harvested flax for thousands of years. In b) this drawing prepares 15th century women linen. (c) the flax plant is grown and harvested for its fibers, which are used for weaving linen, and for its seeds, which are the source of linseed oil. As with the rest of the plant, the stem has three tissue systems: dermal, vascular, and ground tissue. Each is distinguished by characteristic cell types that perform specific tasks necessary for the growth and survival of the plant. Dermal tissue: The dermal tissue of the trunk consists mainly of the epidermis: a single layer of cells that cover and protect the underlying tissue. Woody plants have a tough, waterproof outer layer of cork cells commonly known as bark, which further protects the plant from damage. Epidermal cells are the most numerous and least differentiated of the cells of the epidermis. The epidermis of a leaf also contains openings, called stomata, through which the exchange of gases occurs. Two cells, known as guard cells, surround each leaf stoma, controlling its opening and closing, thus regulating the absorption of carbon dioxide and the release of oxygen and water vapor. Trichomes are hair-like structures on the epidermal surface. They help reduce transpiration (the loss of water by above ground plant parts), increase solar reflectorization, and store compounds that defend the leaves against the predation of herbivores. Stomata: Openings called stomata (singular: stoma) allow a plant to absorb carbon dioxide and release oxygen and water vapor. The (a) colored scanning electron micrograph shows a closed stoma of a dicot. Each stoma is flanked by two protective cells that regulate its (b) closure. The (c) guard cells sit within the layer of epidermal cells. Vascular tissue: The xylem and phloem that make up the vascular tissue of the stem are arranged in distinct strands called vascular bundles, which run up and down the length of the stem. Both are considered complex plant tissue because they are composed of more than a simple cell type that works in concert with each other. When the trunk is seen in cross-section, the vascular bundles of dicot strains are arranged in a ring. In plants with stems that live for more than a year, the individual bundles grow together and produce the characteristic growth rings. In monocot stems, the vascular bundles are randomly scattered throughout the soil tissue. Vascular bundles: In (a) dicot stems are vascular bundles arranged around the periphery of the ground tissue. The xylem tissue is located against the interior of the vascular bundle; phloem is against the exterior. Sclerenchyma fibers cap the vesselbundles. In (b) monocot strains are vascular bundles consisting of xylem and phloem tissues scattered throughout the soil tissue. Xylem tissue has three types of cells: xylem parenchyma, tracheoids, and vascular elements. The latter two types carry water and are dead on the due date. Tracheoids are xylem cells with thick secondary cell walls that are lignified. Water moves from one tracheoid to another through regions on the side walls called pits where secondary walls are absent. Sieve elements are xylem cells with thinner walls; they are shorter than tracheoids. Each vessel element is connected to the next using a perforation plate at the end walls of the element. Water moves through the perforation plates to rise up into the plant. Phloem tissue consists of sieve-tube cells, companion cells, phloem parenchyma, and phloem fibers. A series of sieve-tube cells (also called sieve-piping elements) are arranged end-to-end to create a long sieve tube, which transports organic substances such as sugars and amino acids. The sugars flow from one sieve-tube cell to the next through perforated sieve plates, which are located in the end cross points between two cells. Although still living at maturity, the nucleus and other cell components of the sieve-tube cells have disbanded. Companion cells are found alongside sieve-tube cells, providing them with metabolic support. The companion cells contain more ribosomes and mitochondria than do sieve-tube cells, which lack certain cellular organelles. Ground Tissue: Ground tissue consists mostly of parenchyma cells, but can also contain collenkyema and sclerenchyma cells that help support the strain. The soil tissue against the interior of the vascular tissue of a stem or root is called marrow, while the layer of tissue between the vascular tissue and the epidermis is called the cortex. Plants undergo primary growth to increase length and secondary growth to increase thickness. Distinguish Between Primary and Secondary Growth in Key Strains Indefinite growth continues over the life of a plant, while determinate growth stops when a plant element (e.g. a leaf) reaches a certain size. Primary growth in stems is a result of rapidly dividing cells in the apical meristems on the phototropism tips. Apical dominance reduces growth along the sides of branches and stems, giving the tree a conical shape. The growth of the lateral meristems, which include vascular cambium and cork cambium (in woody plants), increases the thickness of the stem during secondary growth. Cork cells (bark) protect the plant against physical damage and water loss; they contain a waxy substance called suberin that prevents water from penetrating the tissue. The secondary xylem develops dense growth in the autumn and that wood in the spring, which provides a characteristic ring for each year of growth. Key term lenticel: small, oval, rounded spots on the trunk or branch of a plant that allow the exchange of gases with the surrounding atmosphere periderm: the outer layer of plant tissue: The outer bark suberin: a waxy material found in bark that can repel water. Growth in plants occurs as the stems and roots lengthen. Some plants, especially those that are woody, also increase in thickness during their lifespan. The increase in length of the bulkhead and root is referred to as primary growth. It is the result of cell division in the shot apical meristem. Secondary growth is characterized by an increase in the thickness or circumference of the plant. It is caused by cell division in lateral meristem. Herbaceous plants mostly undergo primary growth, with little secondary growth or increase in thickness. Secondary growth, or wood, is noticeable in woody plants; it occurs in some dicots, but occurs very rarely in monocots. Primary and secondary growth: In woody plants, primary growth is followed by secondary growth, which allows the stem to increase in thickness or circumference. Secondary vascular tissue is added as the plant grows, as well as a cork layer. The bark of a tree extends from vascular cambium to epidermis. Some parts of plants, such as stems and roots, continue to grow during a plant life: a phenomenon called indefinite growth. Other parts of plants, such as leaves and flowers, exhibit determinate growth, which ceases when a plant part reaches a certain size. Primary growth: The greatest growth occurs in the protection, or tips, of stems and roots. Primary growth is a result of rapidly dividing cells into the apical meristems at the point and root tip shoots. Subsequent cell elongation also contributes to primary growth. The growth of shoots and roots during primary growth allows plants to continuously seek water (roots) or sunlight (shoots). The apical bud's impact on overall plant growth is called apical dominance, which reduces the growth of axillary buds formed along the sides of branches and stems. Most confers show strong apical dominance, i.e. the typical conical Christmas tree shape. If the apical bud is removed, then axillary buds will begin to form lateral branches. Gardeners make use of this fact when they prune plants by cutting off the tops branches, which encourages axillary buds to grow out, giving the plant a bushy shape. Secondary growth: The increase in stem thickness resulting from secondary growth is due to the growth of the lateral meristems, which are lacking in herbaceous plants. Lateral meristems include vascular cambium and, in woody plants, cork cambium. The vascular cambium is located just outside the primary xylem and to the interior of the primary phloem. The cells of vascular cambium divide and form secondary xylem (tracheoids and vessel elements) to the inside and secondary phloem (term elements and companion cells) to the outside. The thickening of the stem that occurs in secondary growth is due to the formation of secondary phloem and secondary xylem of the vascular cambium, plus the action of cork cambium, which forms the tough outermost layer of the trunk. The cells of the secondary xylem contain lignin, which gives resistance and strength. In woody plants, cork cambium is the outermost lateral meristem. It produces cork cells (bark) that contain a waxy substance called suberin that can repel water. The bark protects the plant against physical damage and helps reduce water loss. The cork cambium also produces a layer of cells called phellem, which grows inward from the cork. Cork cells and phellem are collectively called periderm. Periderm substitutes for the epidermis in mature plants. In some plants, the periderm has many openings, known as lenticels, which allow the inner cells to exchange gases with the outer atmosphere. This delivers oxygen to the living and metabolic active cells of the cortex, xylem and phloem. Example of lenticular: Lentils on the bark of this cherry tree allow the woody stem to exchange gases with the surrounding atmosphere. Annual rings: The activity of vascular cambium gives rise to annual growth rings. During the spring growing season, cells of the secondary xylem have a large internal diameter; their primary cell walls are not extensively thickened. This is known as early wood, or spring wood. During the autumn season, the secondary xylem develops thickened cell walls, forming late wood, or autumn wood, which is denser than early wood. This change of early and late wood is largely due to a seasonal decrease in the number of ship elements and a seasonal increase in the number of tracheoids. It results in the formation of an annual ring, which can be seen as a circular ring in the cross section of the trunk. A study of the number of year rings and their nature (such as their size and cell wall thickness) can reveal the age of the tree and the prevailing climatic conditions in each season. Annual growth rings: The pace of timber growth in summer and decreases in winter, giving a characteristic ring for each year of growth. Seasonal changes in weather patterns can also affect the growth rate. Note how the rings vary in thickness. Stem modifications, either above ground, underground or antenna, allow plants to survive in certain habitats and environments. Explain the reasons for strain changes Key Takeaways Key Points Modified stems that grow horizontally underground are either rhizomes, from which vertical shoots grow, or meater, food-storing corms. New plants can arise from nodes of stolons and runners (all above ground stolon): stems running parallel to the ground, or just below the surface. Potatoes are examples of tubers: the swollen ends of stolons that can store starch. The stem modification that has been enlarged fleshy leaves that emerge from the stem or surround the base of the stem is called a bulb; it is also used to store food. The antenna modifications of stems include tendrils, thorns, bulbils, and cladodes. Key Terms stolon: a shot that grows along the ground and produces roots at its nodes; a runner tuber: a fleshy, thickened, underground strand of a plant, usually containing aged starch, such as a potato or the arrowroot clade; green branches of limited growth that have taken up the features of photosynthesis rhizome: a horizontal underground strain of certain plants that sends out roots and shoots from its nodes corn: a short, vertical, swollen underground trunk of a plant that acts as a storage body to enable the plant to survive the winter or other unfavorable conditions such as dryng bulb: the bulb-shaped root part of a plant such as a tulip, from which the rest of the plant can be regrown; a thin, spiral-coiling strain that attaches a plant to its support tag: a sharp, protective spine of a plant bumper: a bulb-shaped bud instead of a flower or in a leaf axil Some plant species have modified stems that are specially adapted to a particular habitat and environment. A rhizome is a modified strain that grows horizontally underground; it has nodes and internodes. Vertical shoots can occur from the buds of rhizome of certain plants, such as ginger and ferns. Corms are similar to rhizomes, except that they are more rounded and meaty (such as in gladiolus). Corms contain stored food that allows some plants to survive the winter. Stolons are stems that run almost parallel to the ground, or just below the surface, and can give rise to new plants at the nodes. Runners are a type of stolon that goes over the ground and produces new clone plants with nodes at varying intervals: strawberries are an example. Tubers are modified stems that can store starch, as seen in the potatoes. Tubers occur as swollen ends of stolons, and contain many adventitious or unusual buds (known to us as the eyes of potatoes). A light bulb, which acts as a storage device, is a modification of a strain that has the appearance of enlarged fleshy leaves that come from stem or surrounding base of the trunk, as seen in the iris. Stem modifications: Stem modifications allow plants to thrive in a variety of environments. Shown are (a) ginger (Zingiber officinale) rhizomes, (b) a cadaver flower (Amorphophallus titanum) corm (c) Rhodes grass (Chloris gayana) stolons, (d) strawberry (Fragaria ananassa) runners, (e) potatoes (Solanum tuberosum) tubers, and (f) red onion (Allium) bulbs. Modifications of the antenna stems, vegetative buds, and flower buds of plants perform functions such as climbing, protection, and synthesis of food vegetative propagation. Flight modifications of stems include the following: Flight modifications of stems: Found in the southeastern United States, a) buckwheat vine (*Brunnichia ovata*) is a weedy plant that climbs using tendrils. This one is shown climbing up a wooden pole. (b) thorns are modified branches; Tendrils are narrow, twining strands that allow a plant (like buckwheat vines) to seek support by climbing on other surfaces. These can develop from either the axillary bud or the stem's terminal knob. Thorns are modified branches that appear as hard, woody, sharp outgrowths that protect the plant; common examples are roses, osage orange, and devil's cane. Bulbils are axillary buds that have become fleshy and rounded for food storage. They detach from the plant, fall on the ground and develop into a new plant. Cladodes are green branches of limited growth (usually an internode long) that have addressed the features of photosynthesis. Photosynthesis.