ASEXUAL REPRODUCTION IN FUNGI

- In fungi, asexual reproduction takes place by following methods.
- 1. By conidia
- 2. By zoospore
- 3. By aplanospores
- 4. By sporangiospores
- 5. By oidia
- 6. By chlamydospores
- 7. By ascospores
- 8. By basidiospores

- By conidia:-conidia are motile, exogenous, unicellular or multicellular spore which are formed in special fungal branched called as conidiophore. The conodia are form exogeneously and usually arranged in chain. Eg- Albugo, Penicillium.
- 2. By zoospores:- zoospores are formed in lower fungi particularly in the members phycomycetes. Zoospores are uniflagellate or biflagellate, which are endogenous, born niside zoosporangium. Eg-Achlya, Albugo

- 3. By aplanospores:-These are the spores formed in special sporangium. Aplanospores are non-flagellate and germinate to produce new fungal hyphae.
- 4. By sporangiospores:-These are nonmotile spores produced inside the sporangia. Eg-Rhizopus, Mucor.
- 5. By oidia:-Oidia are individual cells separated from hyphae under conditions of excess water, sugar and certain salts. Eg-Rhizopus.

- 6. By chlamydospores: vegetative cells of some parasitic fungi converts into thick walled shperical spores which are called as chlamydospores. These spores germinate to form new fungi.
- 7. By ascospores:- These are the type of meiospores which are produced inside asci. Usually, eight ascospore are formed in an ascus. Eg-members of ascomycetes.
- 8. By basidiospores:- eg-members of basidiomycetes in peziza