

BIOLOGY - LEXICON TERMS

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<u>Root/Prefix/Suffix</u>	<u>Usually means</u>	<u>As In</u>
1. -path-o	suffering, disease	pathogen
2. -cyt-o, -cyte	a hollow vessel, cell	cytoplasm
3. -sapr-o	rotten, putrid	saprophyte
4. -tion	process of, action of	mutation
5. -plas-	development, growth	plasmid
6. -conju-	to join together	conjugation
7. -spor-	seed, spore	endospore
8. -bacill-	a little stick	bacillus
9. -pseudo-	false	pseudopod
10. -chlor-o	green	chloroplast
11. -pod-	a foot	pseudopod
12. -plasm-, -plast-y	molded, formed, skin, membrane	plasma membrane
13. -ism	belief, the process of	mutualism
14. sym-, syn-	together with, a union, junction, to live with	symbiosis
15. -zo-, -zoo-	an animal, living, being	protozoan