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Survey of Protista

In this lab you will observe a variety of protists and record basic observations of them.

Proceed to a workstation and pick up a microscope slide. Observe the culture. Use a dropping pipet to remove a sample from the culture. Remove your sample from the bottom of the culture jar or from another area recommended by your teacher. To sample, squeeze the bulb of the pipet and then lower the tip into the water to the area being sampled. Release pressure on the bulb to draw in the sample. Place 2–3 drops of the sample on a slide and gently cover with a coverslip. Examine under the low-power objective of your microscope to locate a protist. When you have located one, center it in the microscopic field, and swing the high-power objective into place.

Study the protist carefully and fill in information about it in the following table.

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