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  - Keep portfolio of work/resume/etc
  - Keep SAE records/info
  - Have notes/resource for later use

## AWARDS:

Chapter Degree: 45 hours of SAE (sophomores),  
10 FFA activities

State Degree (Senior Seminar): 500 hours SAE  
(plus other reqs), 30 FFA activities

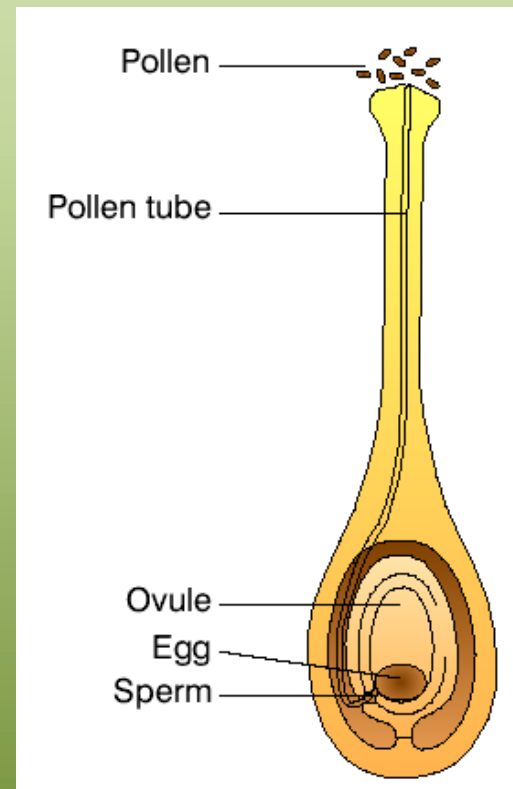
# Sexual Reproduction

Plant Science  
Introduction to Agricultural Science

- The beginning of the plant inside the seed, includes the stem, cotyledons, roots
- Moisture
- Oxygen
- Rain, wind, etc
- Outside covering
- When pollen from one plant pollinates another
- The energy source for monocots inside seeds (dicots use cotyledons)
- When a plant pollinates itself
- Bees, bats, birds, other insects
- The growing/sprouting of a seed into a plant
- Percentage of plants that survive transplanting; equation is  $(\text{number surviving} / \text{number transplanted})$
- When the plant has grown true leaves (not just cotyledons)
- Temperature (heating pad), moisture (mistifiers), soil media (perlite, soil, peat moss)
- Scarification – the breaking up of the seed coat
- Temperature
- Percentage of seeds that germinate; equation is  $(\text{number germinating} / \text{number planted})$

# Pollination

- Self Pollinating: when a plant pollinates itself
- Cross Pollinating: when pollen from one plant pollinates another



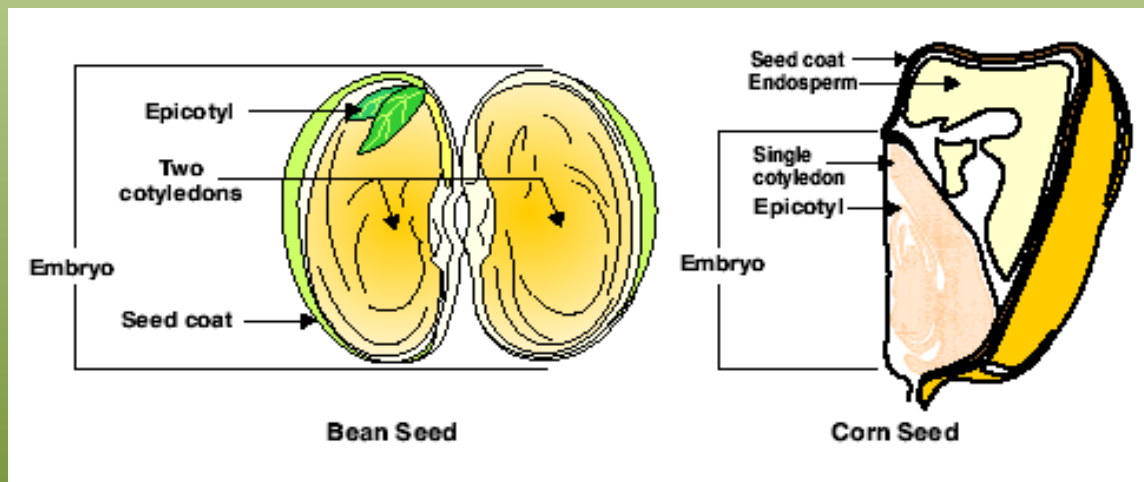
# Pollination

- Moved by:
  - Weather: rain, wind, etc
  - Animals: bees, birds, bats, other insects



# Seeds

- Seed coat: outside covering of the seed
- Embryo: the beginning of the plant inside the seed, includes the stem, cotyledons, roots
- Endosperm: the energy source for monocots inside seeds (dicots use cotyledons)



# Seeds

- Germination: the growing/sprouting of a seed into a plant
  - Conditions for Germination:
    - Moisture
    - Oxygen
    - Temperature
    - Scarification – the breaking up of the seed coat





# Management

- Germinating Seeds
  - Conditions: Temperature (heating pad), moisture (misters), soil media (perlite, soil, peat moss)
  - Germination Rate: percentage of seeds that germinate; equation is =

Number of seeds that germinate

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Number of seeds planted

# Management

- Transplanting
  - When to transplant: When the plant has grown true leaves (not just cotyledons)
  - Transplant rate: percentage of plants that survive transplanting; equation is =

Number of plants that survive

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Number of plants transplanted

# Put it in Practice!

- You planted 120 seeds, and 110 germinated. What is the germination rate?
- Of the 110 that germinated, you later transplanted them all, and 102 survived transplanting. What is the transplant rate?

# Put it in Practice

- Use the two percentages from the previous page to figure out the following:
  - You have an order for 100 marigolds. If your germination rate is \_\_\_\_\_, and your transplant rate is \_\_\_\_\_, how many seeds must you plant in order to get 100 grown plants?
    - Hint: work backward, and do it in two steps!