Types of Placentation

Placentation refers to the arrangement of ovules inside the ovary of a flower. Here are the main types of placentation found in plants:

1. Marginal Placentation

Ovules are attached along the margin of the ovary, as seen in pea flowers.

2. Axile Placentation

Ovules are attached to the central axis of the ovary, as seen in flowers like tomato and chili.

3. Parietal Placentation

Ovules are attached to the wall of the ovary, as seen in flowers like mustard and cabbage.

4. Free Central Placentation

Ovules are attached to a central column in the ovary, but the column is not connected to the ovary wall, as seen in flowers like primrose.

5. Basal Placentation

Ovules are attached at the base of the ovary, as seen in flowers like compositae.

6. Superficial Placentation

Ovules are attached to the surface of the ovary, as seen in some flowers like water lily.