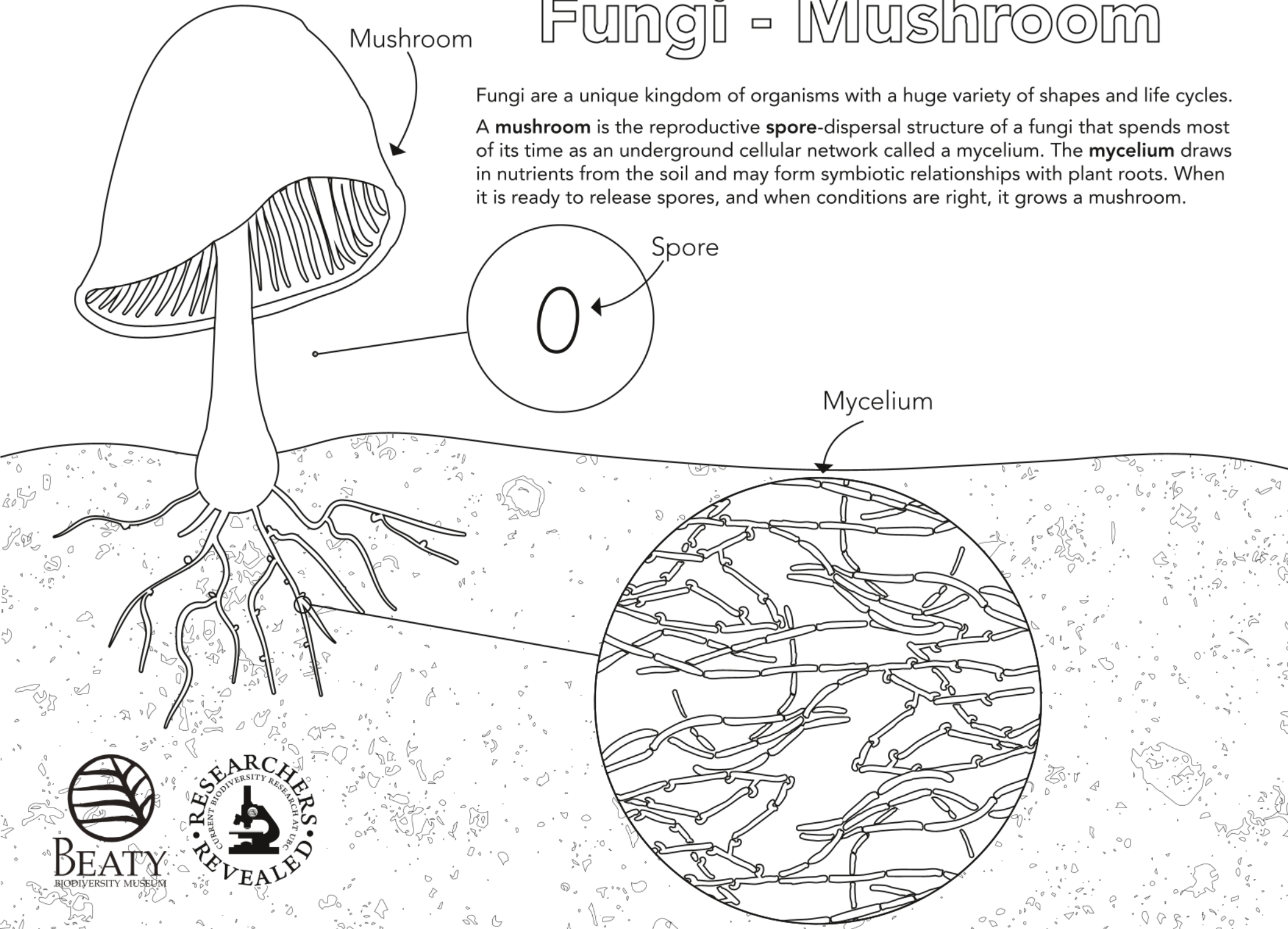


Fungi - Mushroom



Fungi are a unique kingdom of organisms with a huge variety of shapes and life cycles.

A **mushroom** is the reproductive **spore**-dispersal structure of a fungi that spends most of its time as an underground cellular network called a mycelium. The **mycelium** draws in nutrients from the soil and may form symbiotic relationships with plant roots. When it is ready to release spores, and when conditions are right, it grows a mushroom.



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