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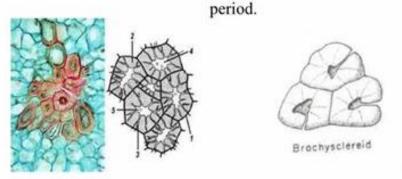
Characteristic of sclerenchyma tissue

1.Permanent simple tissue usually its cells dead at maturity

- 2. Thick secondary cell wall with lignin
- 3.Found in aerial and subterranean parts of plants
- 4.Its function is support

Sclerenchyma cells can be divided :according to it shapes

a. Sclereids (have different cells shapes, with very thick secondary walls characterized by lignin present. In many sclereides the lumens are almost filled with massive wall deposits, and normally become dead with maturity. Some Sclereid may get branched during their developmental



b. Fibers (are very much elongated, usually with pointed needle like ends).



