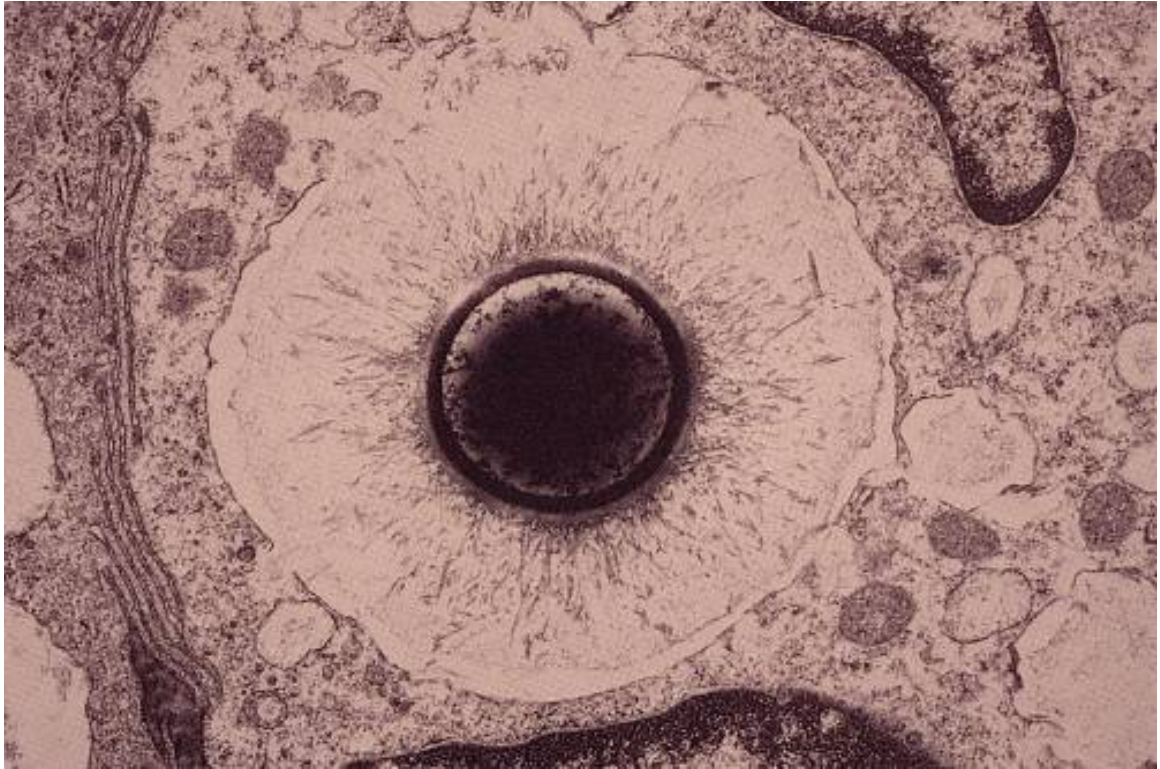


## Cryptococcus



The yeast *Cryptococcus* is found in pigeon droppings and eucalyptus trees all over the world. Breathed in, it can cause pneumonia in humans and koalas. Once in the body, it can travel from the lungs to the brain causing the pounding headache of meningitis, common in those with AIDS and occasionally in others. One million cases occur each year worldwide.