River Water Sample Under a Microscope

Directions:

- 1. Use a pipette to collect a sample of river water and drop it onto your slide.
- 2. Place the edge of the cover slip on the slide over the sample and slowly lower the cover slip into place using a tweezer, forceps, or your fingers.
- 3. Observe specimen at the lowest power 4x. Use coarse knob first and then fine focus knob to see the specimen.
- 4. Move to a higher power each time.
- 5. Make sure to sketch your observations and label.
- 6. In notes, write what you wonder (questions that come to mind) and what your observations remind you of.

Observations at 4x	Notes: What do you wonder? What does this remind you of?
Observations at 10x	Notes: What do you wonder? What does this remind you of?
Observations at 40x	Notes: What do you wonder? What does this remind you of?