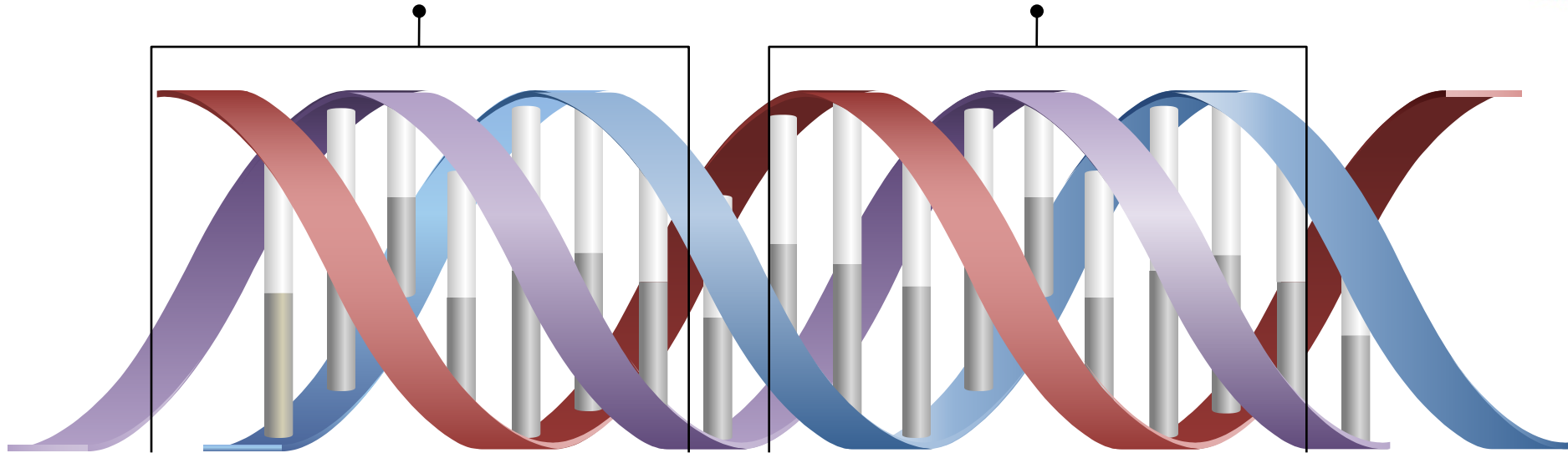


Lecture 2

CHROMOSOME  
ANOMALIES



Human Genetics 439



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# Objectives:

**By the end of this lecture, the students should be able to:**

1. Describe and explain the events in mitosis & meiosis.
2. Define non-disjunction and describe its consequences on meiosis.
3. Classify chromosomal abnormalities: Numerical & structural
  - 3a Understand the common numerical autosomal disorders: trisomies 21, 13, 18.
  - 3b Understand the common numerical sex chromosome disorders: Turner`s & Klinefelter`s syndromes
  - 3c Recognize the main structural anomalies in chromosomes

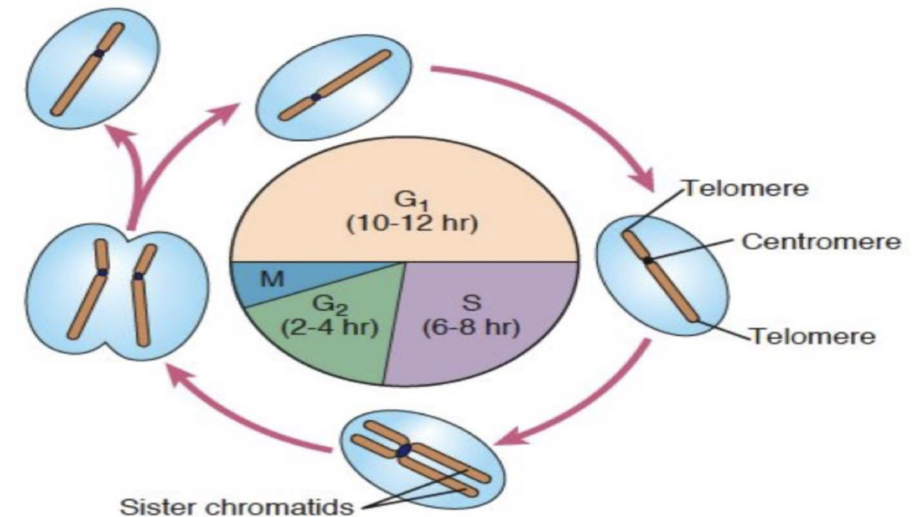
# MITOSIS & MEIOSIS: TYPICAL MITOTIC CELL CYCLE

During G <sub>1</sub>	one diploid
S phase S= synthesis of DNA	duplication of each chromosome's DNA → Two sister chromatids
G <sub>2</sub> Phase	chromosomes begin to condense and become visible
G <sub>1</sub> , S, and G <sub>2</sub> phases = constitute <b>interphase</b> Interphase > "preparation for mitosis"	

• Cell cycle (G<sub>1</sub> → S → G<sub>2</sub> → M)

- Two daughter cells = equal genetic information

The result is two diploid daughter cells with identical genetic information



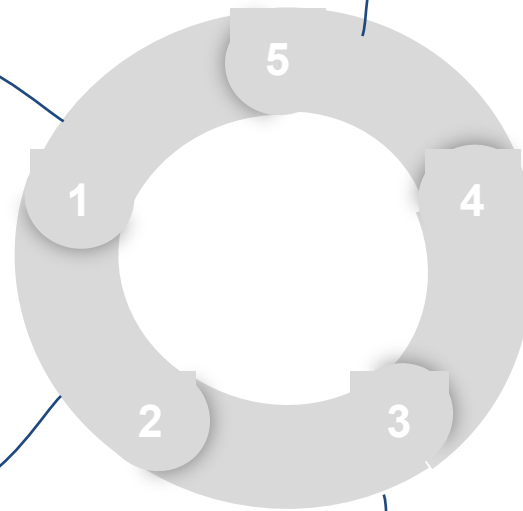
# EVENTS OF MITOSIS

## Prophase:

formation of mitotic Spindle & pair of centrosomes.

## Prometaphase:

- Nuclear membrane dissolves.
- Chromosomes to disperse & attach by kinetochores to mitotic spindle microtubules.



## Telophase:

- Chromosomes de-condense from their highly contracted state.
- Nuclear membrane re-form around each of the two daughter nuclei.
- resume their interphase.
- Division of the cytoplasm.

## Anaphase:

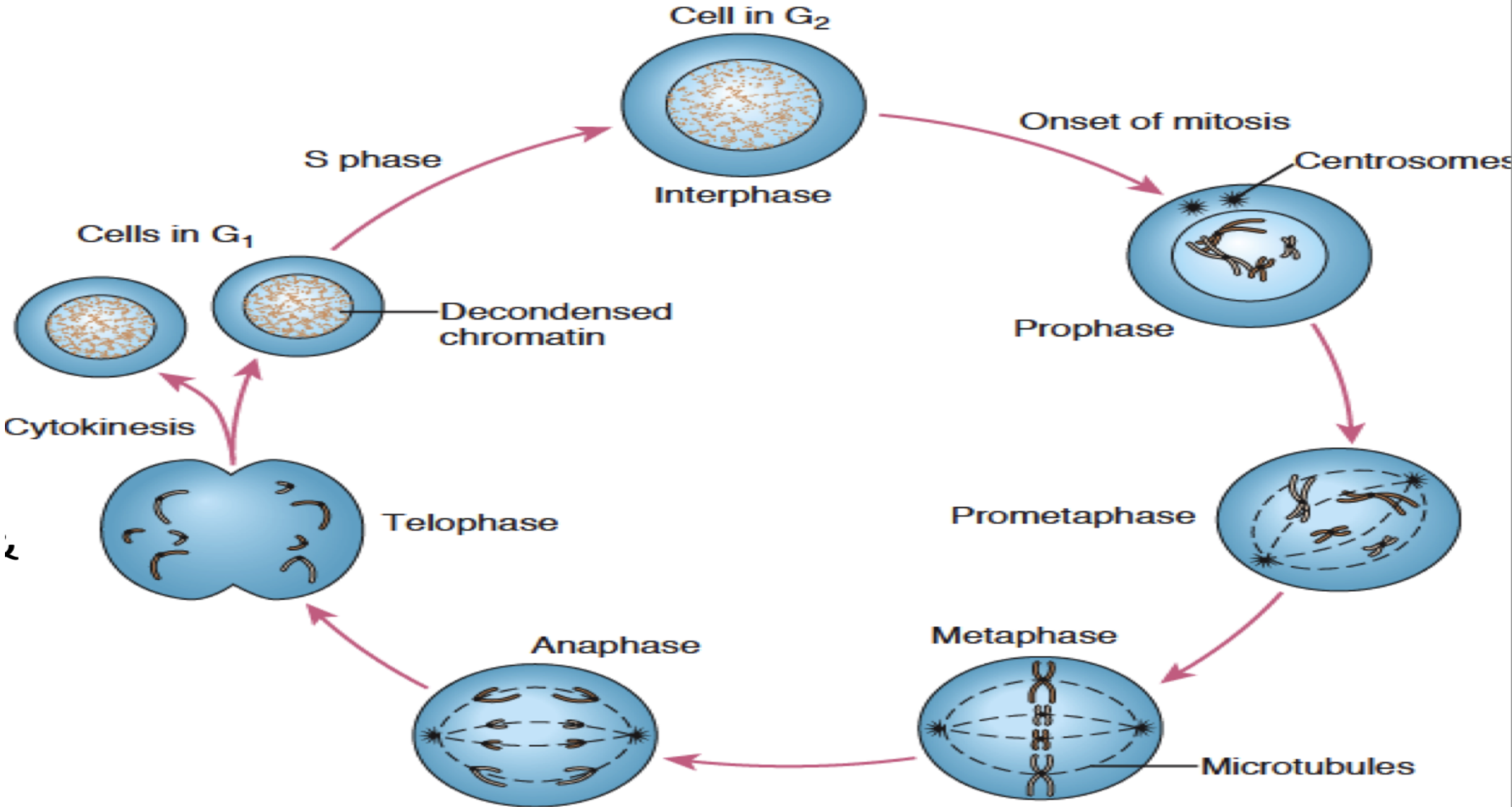
- Chromosomes separate at centromere.
- Sister chromatids of each chromosome become independent daughter chromosomes.

## Metaphase:

Chromosomes condensed & line up at the equatorial plane.

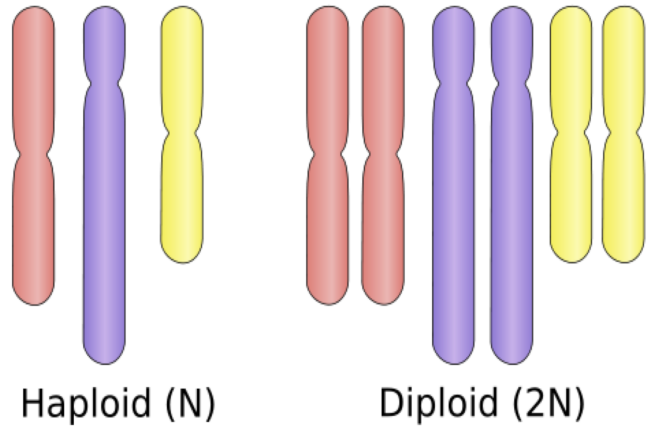


# EVENTS OF MITOSIS

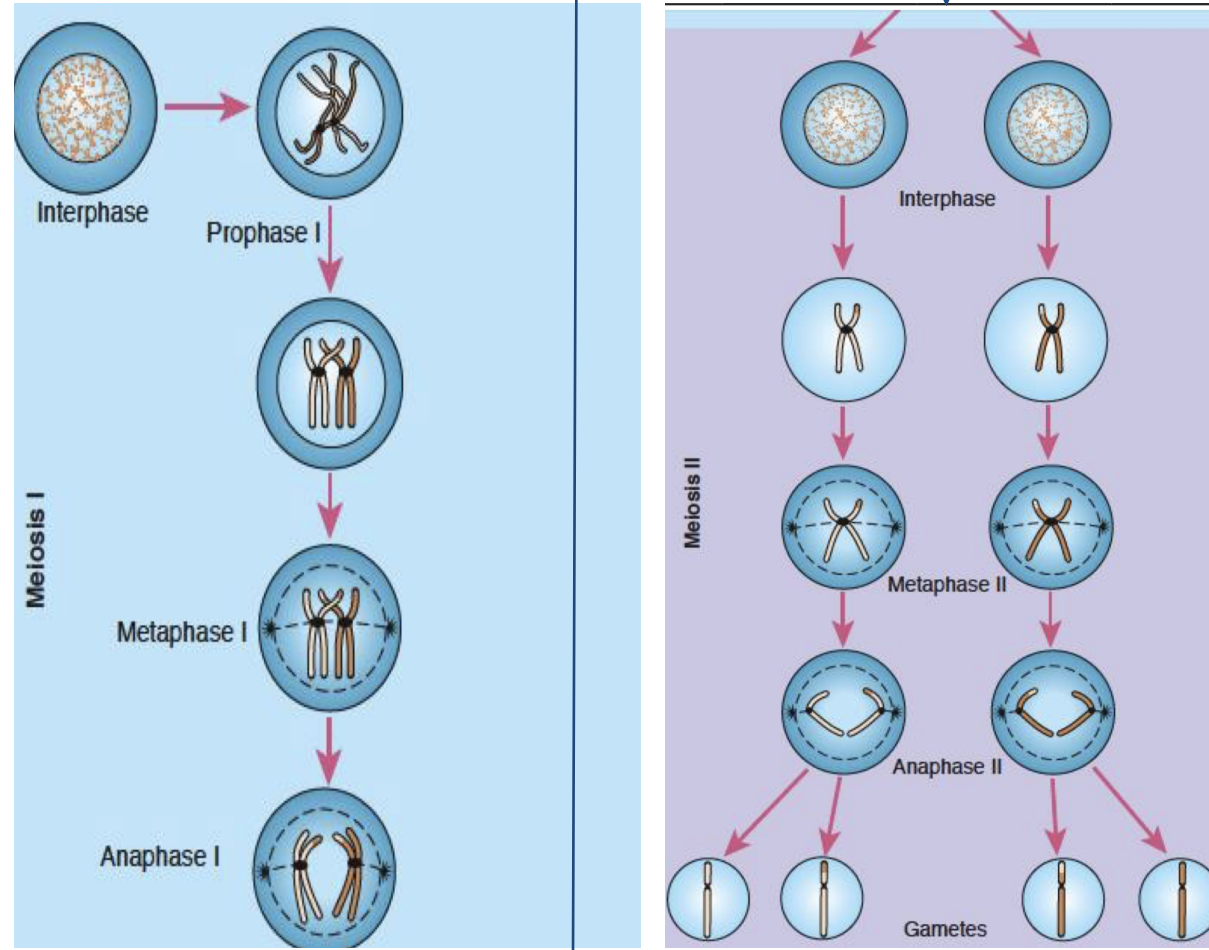
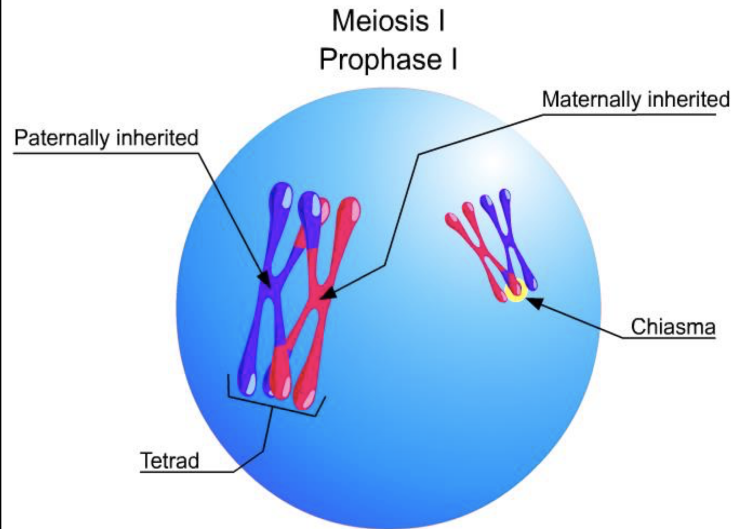


Note that the anaphase occurs once in mitosis and twice in meiosis

# EVENTS OF MEIOSIS I & II



Normal Gametes → 4 Haploids



Events of meiosis  
- Consists of two successive nuclear divisions .

- In the first nuclear division the homologous chromosomes are separated from each other (daughter chromosomes consists of two chromatids )
- The second nuclear division resembles a mitotic division but there is no DNA replication (already replicated before the first division )

- **The result is four haploid daughter cells**

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# NON-DISJUNCTION AND ITS IMPACT ON MEIOSIS

## Non-disjunction in Meiosis

- The failure of chromosomes to disjoin normally during meiosis phase 1 or phase 2.

- Two chromosome homologs migrate to the same daughter cell instead of disjoining normally and migrating to different daughter cells.

- The result of this error is a cell with an imbalance of chromosomes  
**(Aneuploidy)**

Can affect each pair of chromosomes.

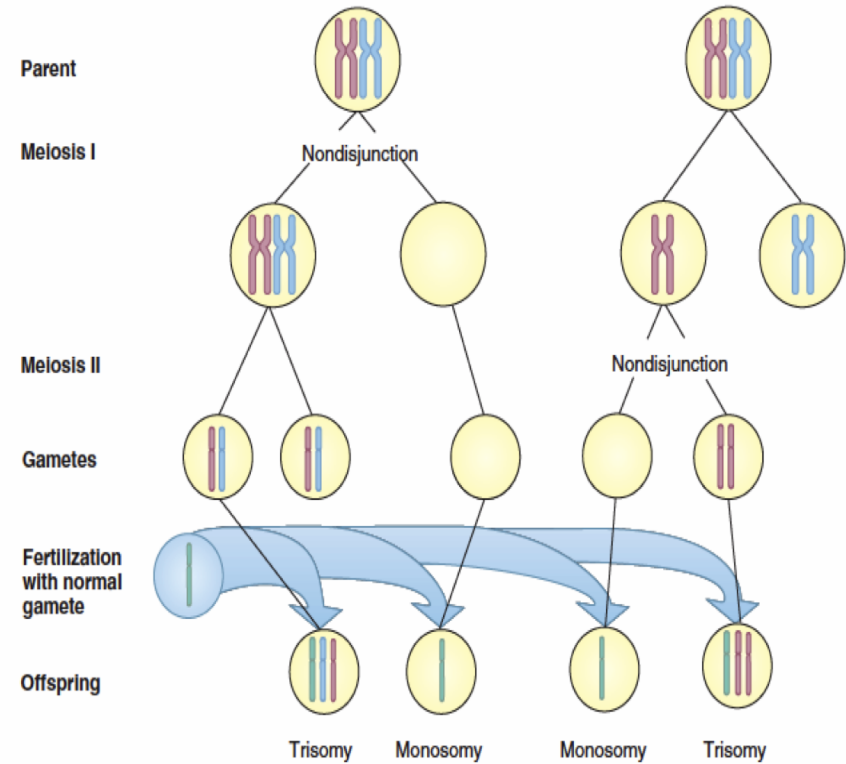
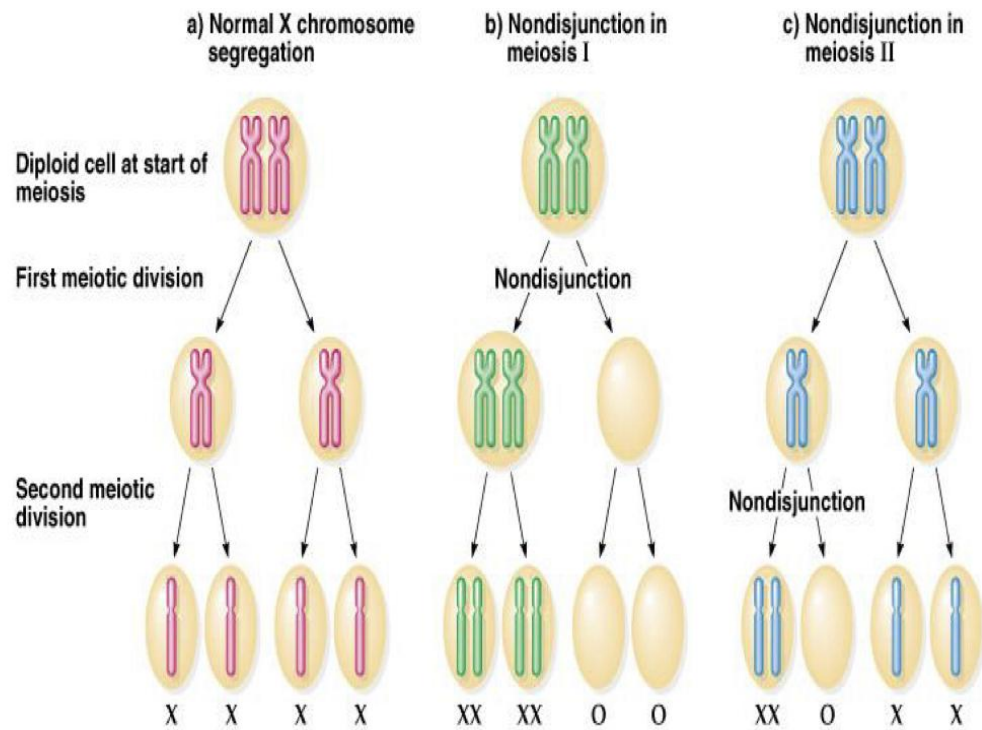
## Meiotic non-disjunction

Non disjunction in **first** meiotic division produces **4 unbalanced** gametes.

Non disjunction in **second** division produces **2 normal** gametes & **2 unbalanced** gametes:

- Gamete with an extra autosome.
- Nullsomic gamete (missing one chromosome)

is not a rare event.



**In meiotic non-disjunction**

- This product of fertilization with normal gamete would be monosomic and trisomic offspring (Aneuploidy).

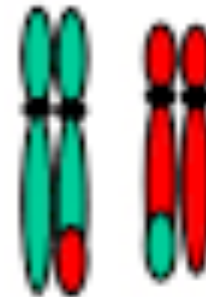
# Types of chromosome anomalies

## Numerical

affect the number of complete haploid set ( $n$ ) of chromosomes.

## Structural

Affect the structure and organization of genomic content of the chromosome







# NUMERICAL CHROMOSOMAL ANOMALIES

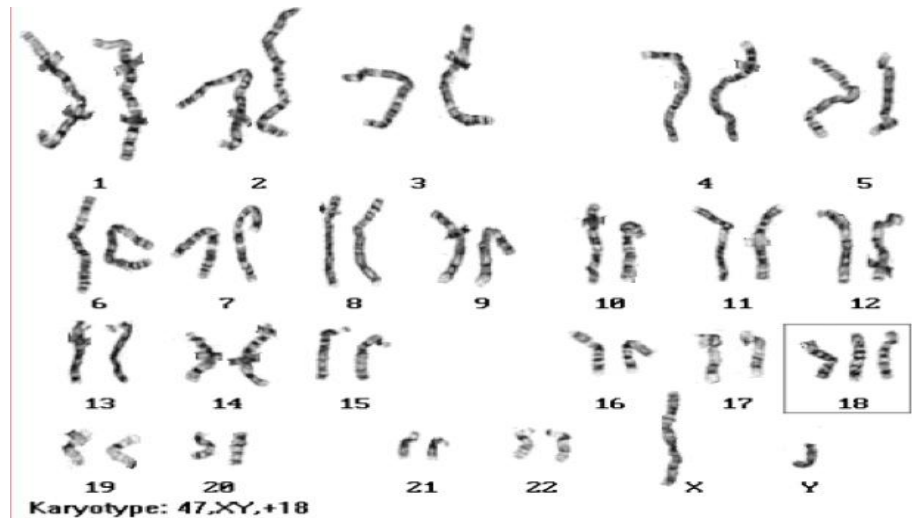
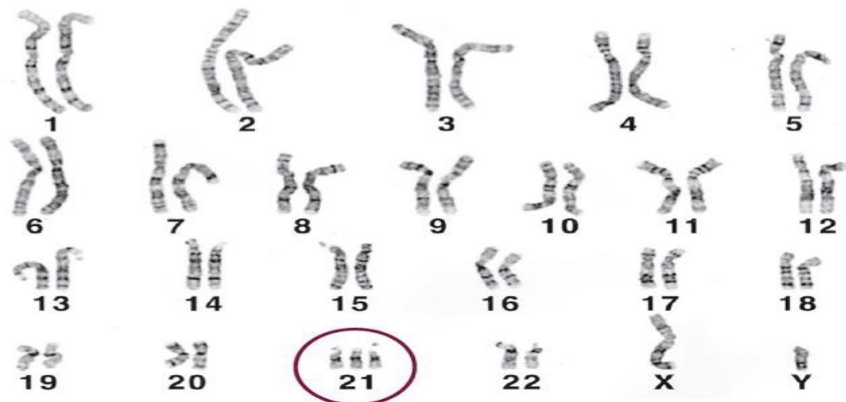
## Numerical anomalies in **autosome**

**Down syndrome, trisomy 21**  
Karyotype: 47, XY, +21

- Most cases arise from nondisjunction in the **first meiotic** division - The incidence of trisomy 21 rises sharply with increasing **maternal age**.
- The father contributing the extra chromosome in 15% of cases - The symptoms include characteristic facial dysmorphologies, and an IQ of less than 50.

**Edward's syndrome, Trisomy 18**  
Karyotype: 47, XY, +18

- the second most common autosomal trisomy, after Down syndrome - It occurs in around one in 6,000 live births - Most babies die in the first year and many within the first month & has a **very low rate of survival**
- Common anomalies are heart abnormalities, kidney malformations, and other internal organ disorders



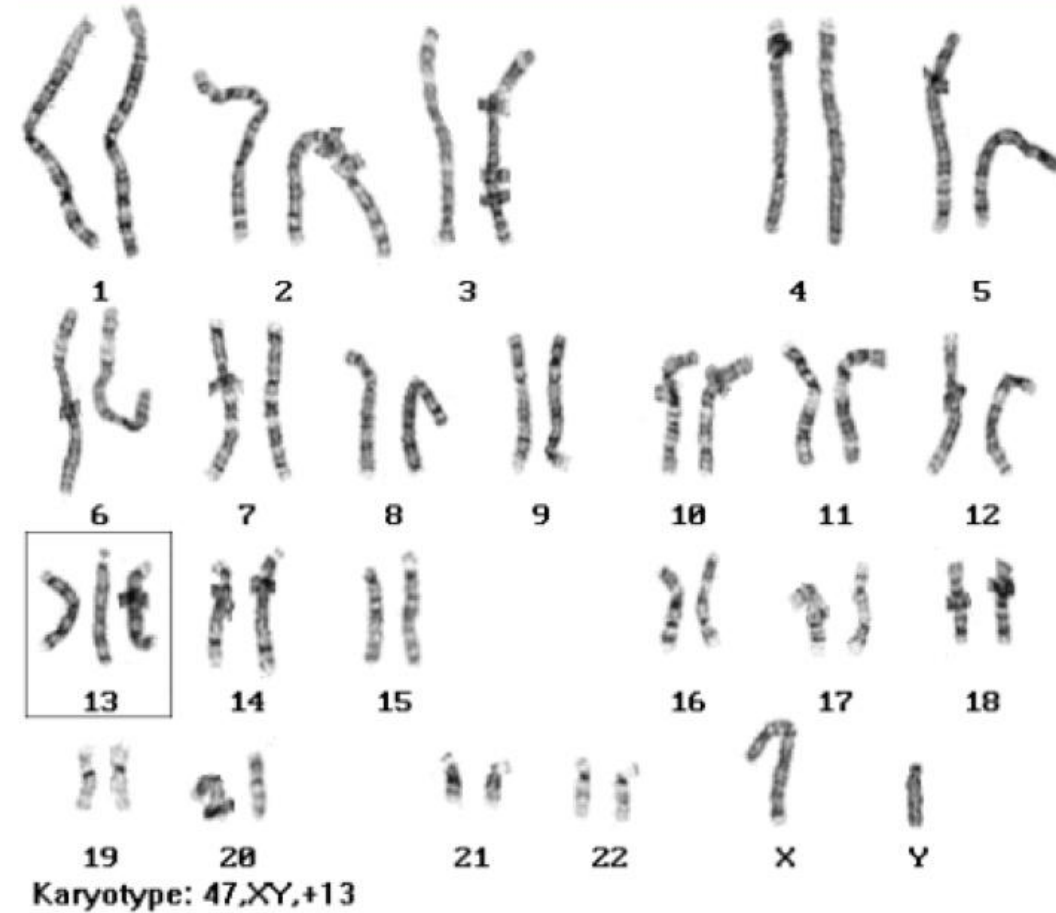


# NUMERICAL CHROMOSOMAL ANOMALIES

## Numerical anomalies in autosome

Patau Syndrome, Trisomy 13 Karyotype: 47, XY, +13

- 50 % of these babies die within the first month and very few survive beyond the first year. - There are multiple dysmorphic features. Most cases, as in Patau syndrome, involve **maternal non-disjunction**.





# Numerical anomalies in *sex chromosomes*:

## Monosomy X (Turner's syndrome, 45,XO)

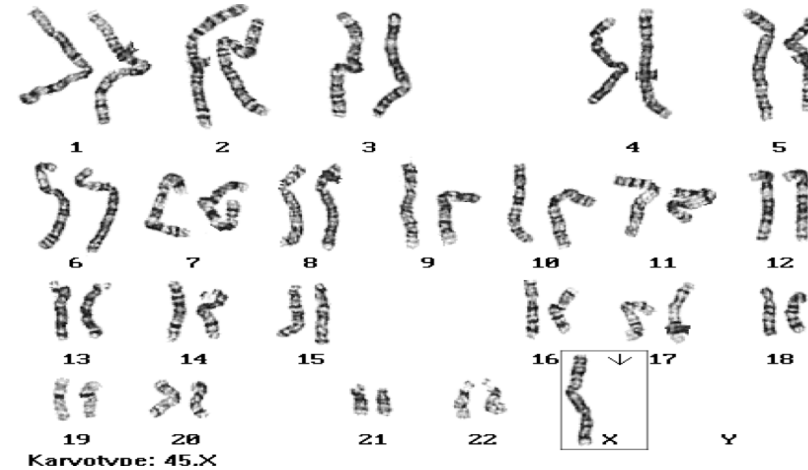
Occurring in 1 in 4000 phenotypic females

As a result of **paternal meiotic nondisjunction**

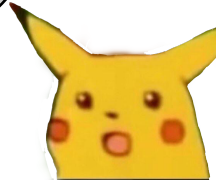
The only **viable** monosomy in humans

**Characteristics**

Webbed neck, Individuals are genetically female, not mature sexually, Sterile, Short stature, Broad chest, Low hairline, Streak ovaries, Normal intelligence, Normal life span



Note: **NUMERICAL CHROMOSOMAL ANOMALIES** of sex chromosomes has no effect on intelligence level



# Numerical anomalies in sex chromosomes: Klinefelter Syndrome: 47,XXY males



- 1/600 males

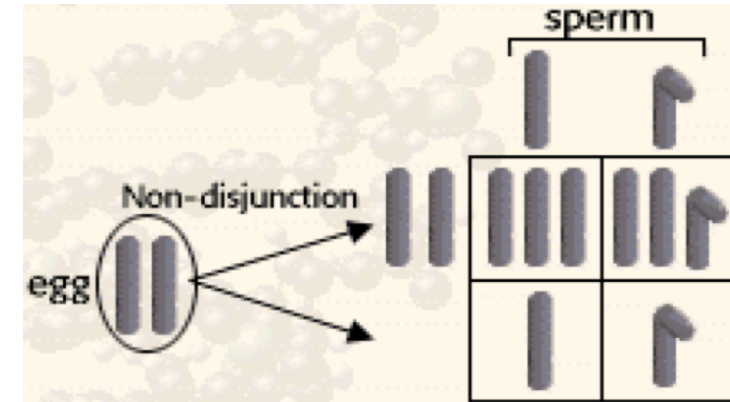
-Due to nondisjunction of X chromosomes during meiosis I in females

Patients are taller and thinner than average and may have a slight reduction in IQ but generally they have normal intelligence

Male sex organs;

unusually small testes which fail to produce normal levels of testosterone -> **breast enlargement (gynaecomastia)** and other feminine body characteristic

No spermatogenesis  
-> Sterile



Klinefelter's Syndrome 47 XXY



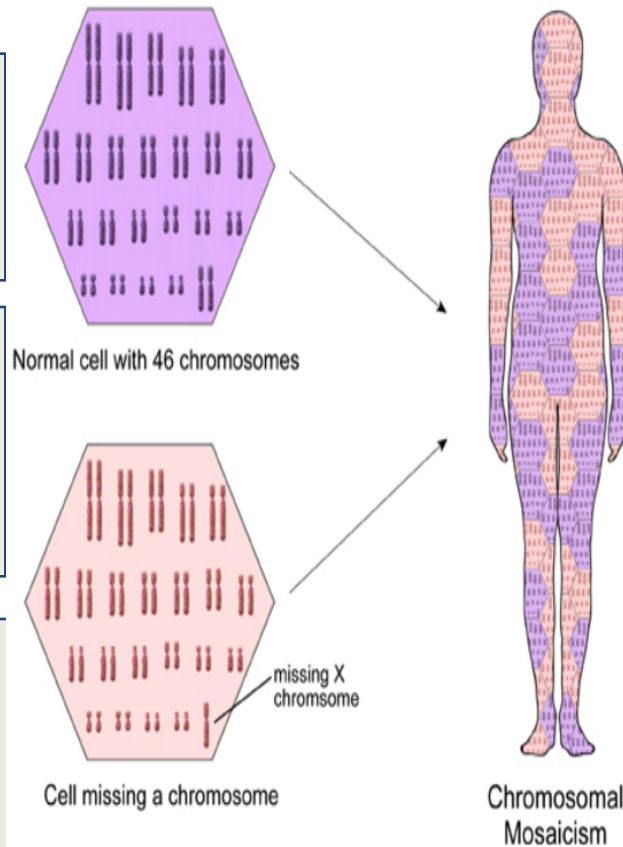
# MOSAIC



It is the presence of more than one genetically **distinct line** in the body.

A mosaic individual is made of 2 (or more) cell population coming only from **1 zygote**.

It is denoted by a slash between the various clones observed e.g. 46,XY/ 47, XY, +21



Numerical mosaic anomaly is usually due to a mitotic non-disjunction.

**must not be confused with a chimera.**

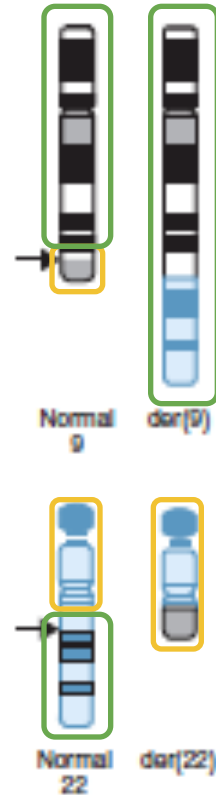
chimerism is the presence in an individual of two or more genetically distinct cell lines derived **from more than one zygote**. (e.g. 2 sperms fertilize 2 ova then the 2 zygotes fuse to form 1 embryo).

# STRUCTURAL CHROMOSOMAL ANOMALIES

## Reciprocal translocation:

An example is between chromosome 22 and the long arm of chromosome 9 (the Philadelphia chromosome).

The occurrence of this translocation in hematopoietic cells can produce chronic myelogenous leukemia (CML)



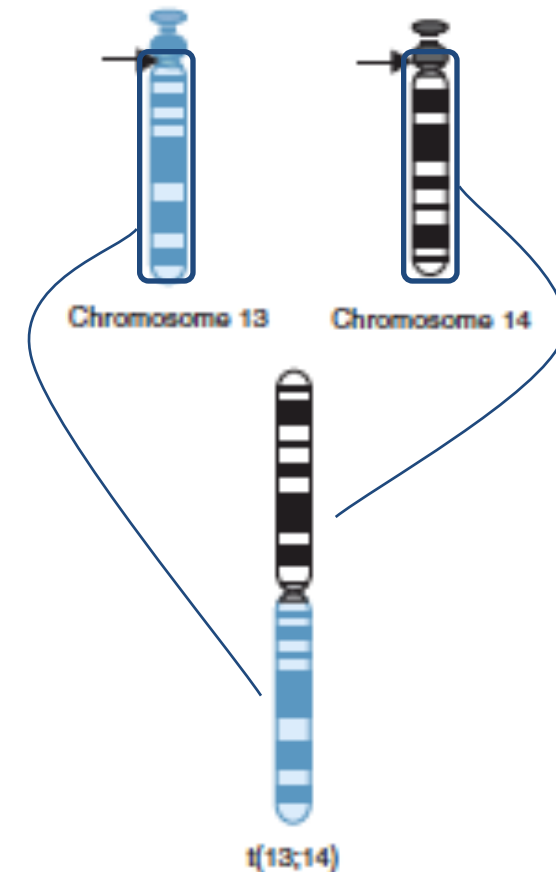
(green boxes translocate together, yellow boxes translocate together)

## Robertsonian translocation:

the short arms of two non-homologous chromosomes are lost and the long arms fuse and the long arms fuse at the centromere to form a single chromosome.

It is confined to the acrocentric chromosomes (13, 14, 15, 21 and 22).

although carriers have only 45 chromosomes in each cell, they are phenotypically unaffected.



# Deletion

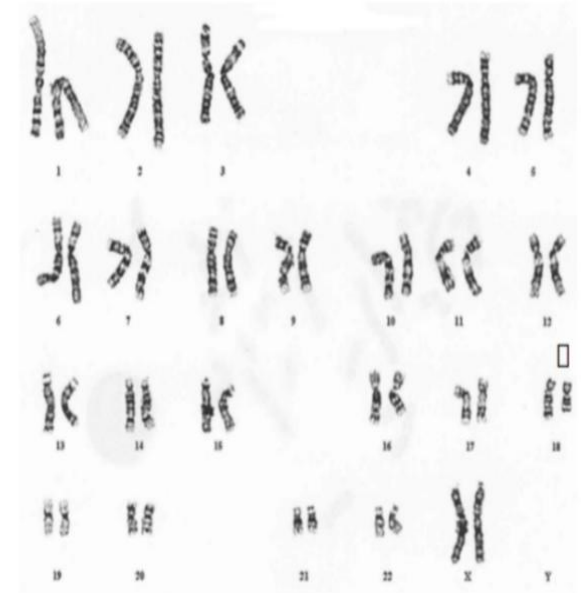
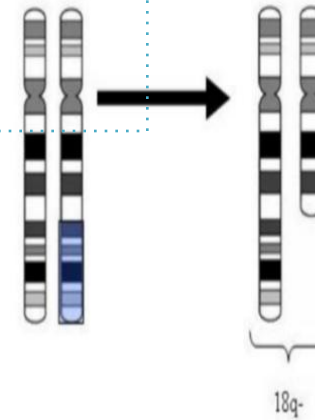
Loss of a segment from a chromosome, either **terminal** or **interstitial**.

Invariably, but not always, results in the loss of important genetic material.

Deletion is therefore an **unbalanced rearrangement**.

Indicated in nomenclature **del**

**Terminal deletion**



46,XX,del(18)(q21.3)

karyotype description is as follows:

1- 46: the total number of chromosomes.

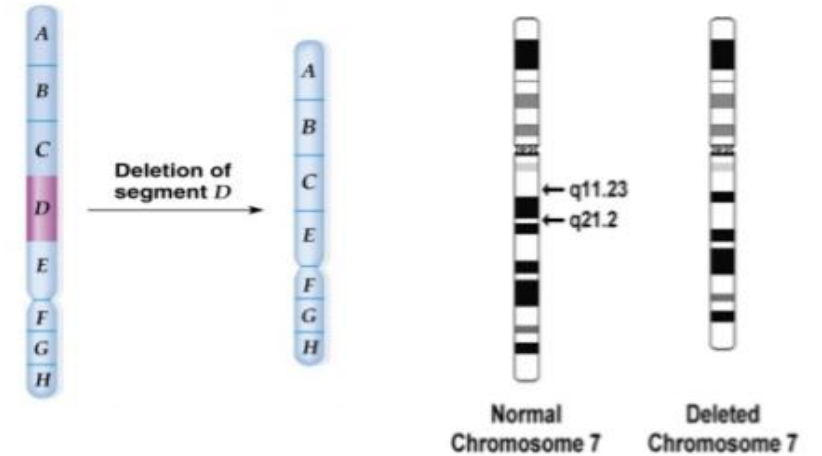
2- XY: the sex chromosomes (male).

3- del(7): deletion in chromosome 7.

4- (q11.23q21.2): breakpoints of the deleted segment.

interstitial deletion

Sample karyogram



46,XY,del(7)(q11.23q21.2)

# Inversion

Occurs when a segment (piece) of chromosome breaks and rejoining with the chromosome effectively

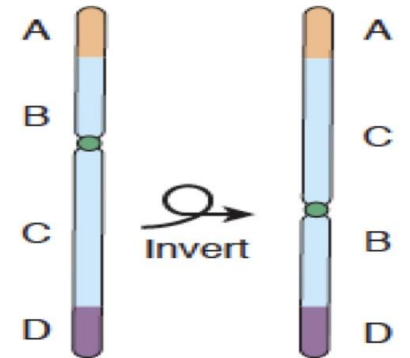
Written in nomenclature as *inv.*

Only large inversions are normally detected.

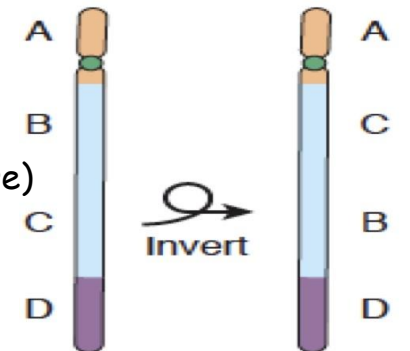
(they are **balance rearrangements** that rarely cause problems in carriers)

Note: the difference between peri/para is that  
Peri: includes centromere in inverted part.  
Para: doesn't include the centromere.

Pericentric  
(includes centromere)



Paracentric  
(doesn't include centromere)

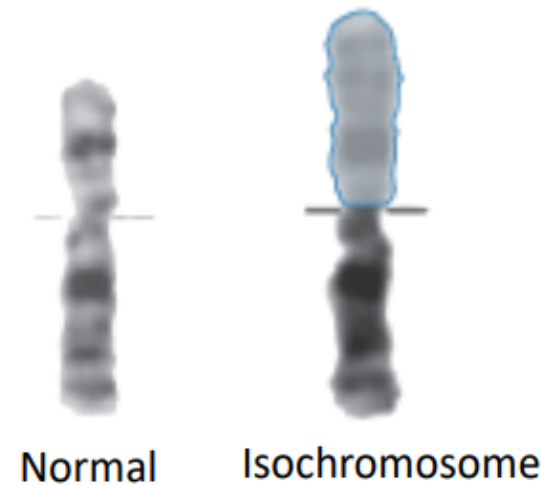
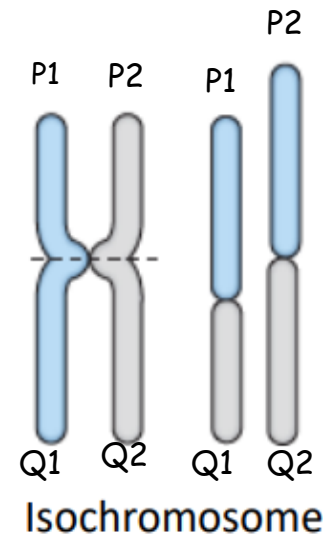
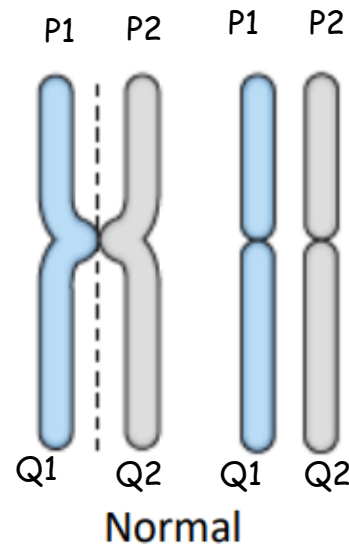




# ISOCHROMOSOME



The most probable explanation for isochromosome is that the centromere has **divided transversely** rather than longitudinally



one chromosome will have 2 "p arms"  
while the other have 2 "q  
arms"(team438"edited")

P1: P arm of chromosome 1.  
P2: P arm of chromosome 2.  
Q1: Q arm of chromosome 1.  
Q2: Q arm of chromosome 2.



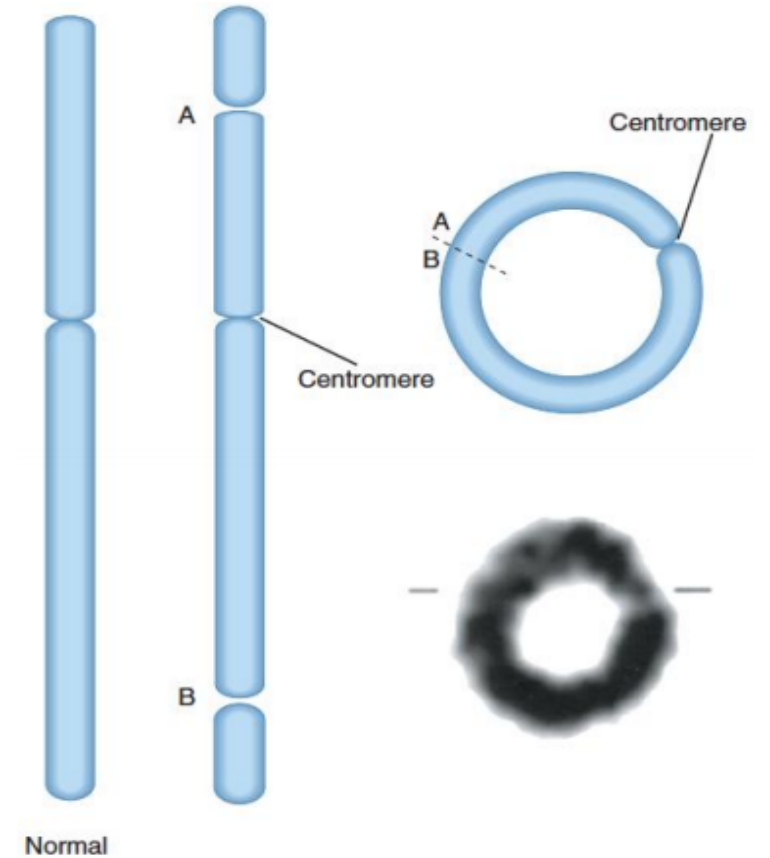
# RING FORMATION (RING CHROMOSOME)

A break on each arm of a chromosome.

Two Sticky ends.

Reunion of the ends as a ring  
loss of the 2 distal  
chromosomal fragments.

Ring chromosomes are  
often **unstable** in mitosis.



**Chromosome anomalies**

**Numerical**

Autosome

Down's, Edward's & patau's syndromes

Sex chromosome

Turner's & Klinefelter's syndromes

Mosaicism

\_\_\_\_\_

Chimerism

\_\_\_\_\_

**Structural**

Translocation

\_\_\_\_\_

Isochromosome

\_\_\_\_\_

Ring

\_\_\_\_\_

Deletion

Terminal

Interstitial

Inversion

Pericentric

Paracentric

## TAKE HOME MESSAGES

- Chromosome abnormalities can be numerical or structural.
- Normal meiotic division result in four haploid gametes
- In trisomy, a single extra chromosome is present, usually as a result of non-disjunction in the 1st or 2nd meiotic division.
- Mosaicism arise from one zygote while Chimera from the fusion of two fertilized eggs
- Structural abnormalities include translocations (balanced or unbalanced), inversions, deletions, isochromosome & rings.

## MCQs

Q1)What are the common numerical sex chromosome disorders?

A)Turner's

B)22+X

C)22+Y

D)Meiosis

Q2)After fertilization the only type of division for cells is?

A)Meiosis 1

B)Meiosis 2

C)interphase

D)mitosis

Q3)What are the results of meiosis?

A)23+X or Y

B)46

C)22+ X or Y

D)22+XXorYY

Q4)What are the results of mitosis?

A)23+XorY

B)23

C)44+XX or XY

D)45

MCQs answers

1)A  
2)D  
3)C  
4)C

Q5)Where does the mitotic error occur?			
A)Whole cell	B)mitosis	C)meosis	D)Part of the cell population
Q6)Where does the meiotic error occur?			
A)All the cell population	B)Part of the cell population	C)Meiosis 2	D)Mitosis
Q7)State the type gametes in fertilization (What sperm and what egg) for non viable cell condition?			
A)Sperm Y	B)Egg null X and sperm X	C)Egg null X and sperm Y	D)Egg X
Q8) Types of acrocentric chromosomes (Robertsonian translocation) are :			
A)10-11-12-20-21	B)13-14-15-21-22	C)1-2-3-4-5	D)6-7-8-9-21

MCQs

MCQs answers

8(8)  
 7(C)  
 6(A)  
 5(D)

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