

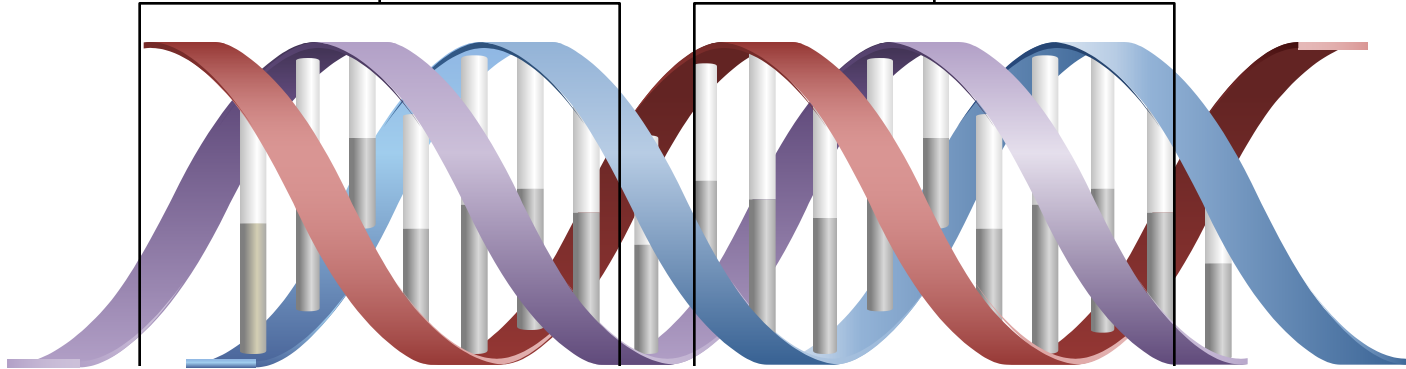


## Lecture 3

## MODE OF INHERITANCE



Human Genetics 439



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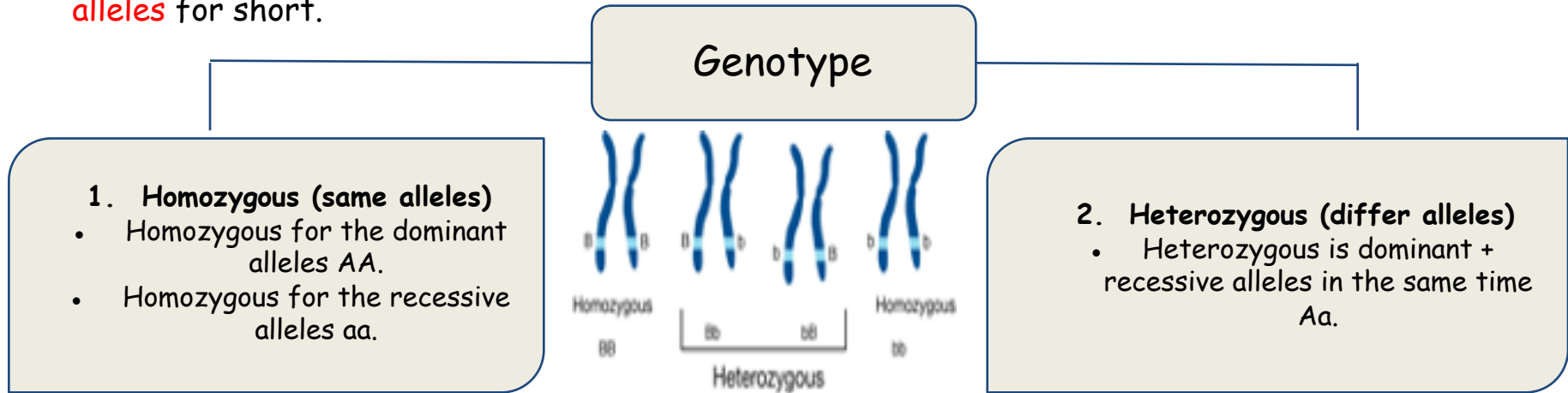
## Objectives:

**By the end of the lecture, the student should:**

- Assess Mendel's laws of inheritance.
- Understand the bases of Mendelian inheritance.
- Define various patterns of single gene inheritance using family pedigree and Punnett square.

# Interpreting the outcomes of Mendel's breeding experiments

- The plant characteristics being studied were each controlled by pair of **factors**, one of which was inherited from each parent.
- The pure-bred plants, with two identical genes, used in the initial cross would now be referred to as **homozygous**.
- The hybrid F1 plants, each of which has one gene for tallness and one for shortness, would be referred to as **heterozygous**.
- The genes responsible for these contrasting characteristics are referred to as *allelomorphs*, or **alleles** for short.



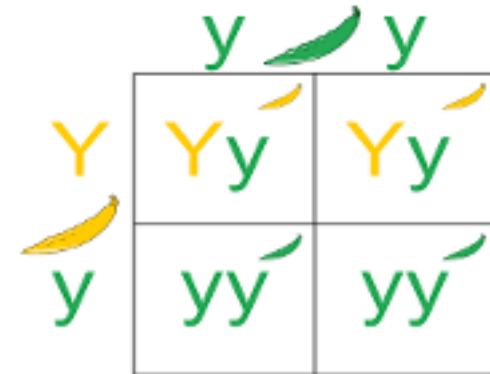
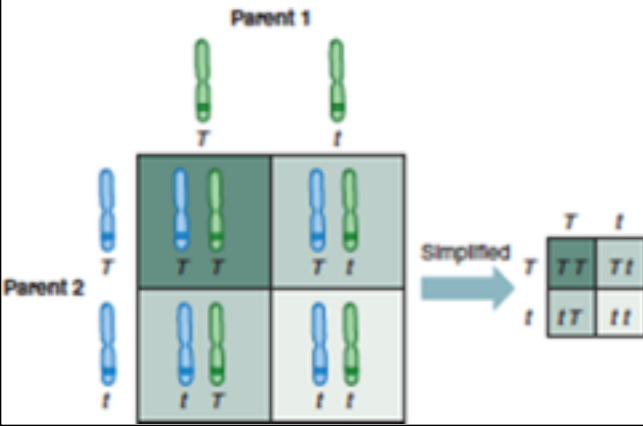
# Punnett Square



Each parent can only contribute to one allele per gene

Offspring will inherit **2 alleles** to express that gene

These genes are found on the chromosomes of gametes of parents



# Laws of inheritance

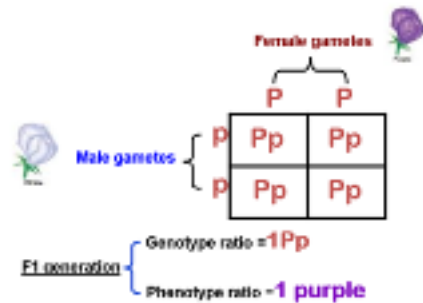
## Law of Dominance or Uniformity



COMPLETE DOMINANCE: one allele is dominant to another allele.

- RECALL MENDEL'S 1st EXPERIMENT

CROSS: Pure-bred purple female x White male  
P1 generation = PP x



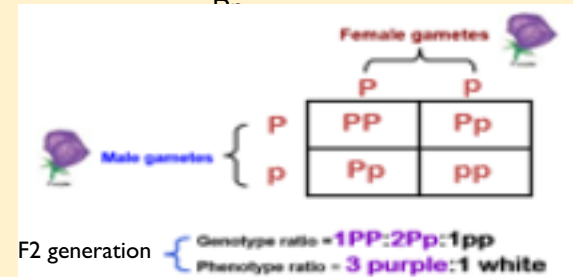
## LAW OF SEGREGATION



Definition: the alleles of a given locus segregate into separate gametes.

- RECALL MENDEL'S 2nd EXPERIMENT

CROSS: Two F1 generation offspring with each other  
P1 generation = Pp x



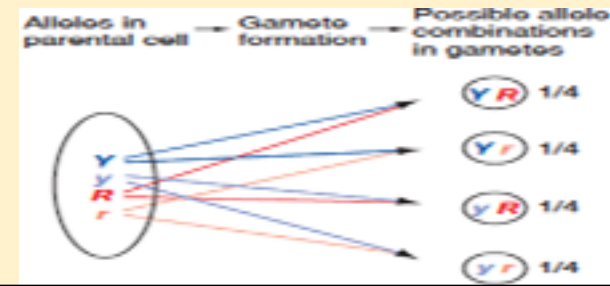
## LAW OF INDEPENDENT ASSORTMENT



Definition: During gamete formation, different pairs of alleles segregate independently of each other.

### INTERPRETATION:

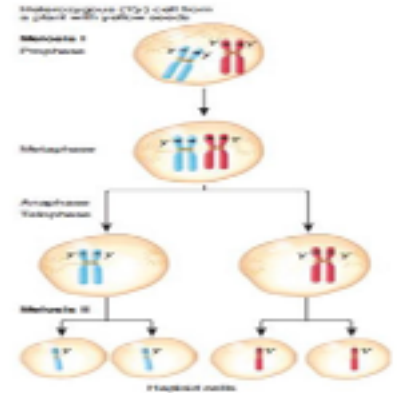
In a dihybrid cross, each pair of alleles assort independently during gamete formation. In the gametes, Y is equally likely to be found with R or r (that is, YR = Yr); the same is true for y (that is, yR = yr). As a result, all four possible types of gametes (YR, Yr, yR, and yr) are produced in equal frequency among a large population.



# THE CHROMOSOME THEORY OF INHERITANCE AND SEX CHROMOSOMES

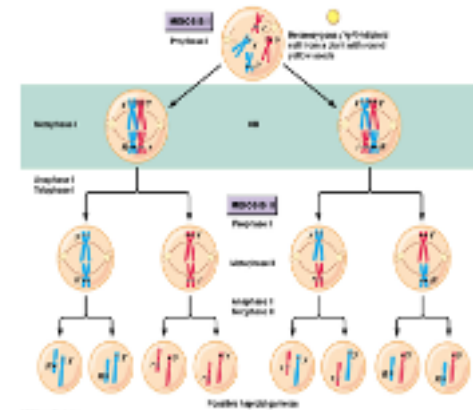
## 1-Mendel's law of segregation can be explained by the segregation of homologs during meiosis

- The two copies of a gene are contained on homologous chromosomes.
- In this example using pea seed color, the two alleles are Y (yellow) and y (green).
- During meiosis, the homologous chromosomes segregate from each other, leading to segregation of the two alleles into separate gametes.



## 2-Mendel's law of independent assortment can be explained by the random alignment of bivalents during metaphase of meiosis I

- This figure shows the assortment of two genes located on two different chromosomes, using pea seed color and shape as an example (YyRr).
- During metaphase of meiosis I, different possible arrangements of the homologs within bivalents can lead to different combinations of the alleles in the resulting gametes.
- For example, on the left, the dominant R allele has sorted with the recessive y allele; on the right, the dominant R allele has sorted with the dominant Y allele.



# MODES OF INHERITANCE FOR SINGLE GENE DISORDERS

Autosomal

Recessive

Dominant

Y Linked

\*All sons will be affected

Sex Linked

X Linked

Recessive

\*All sons will be affected and the daughters will be carriers

Dominant

\*Both of them will be affected

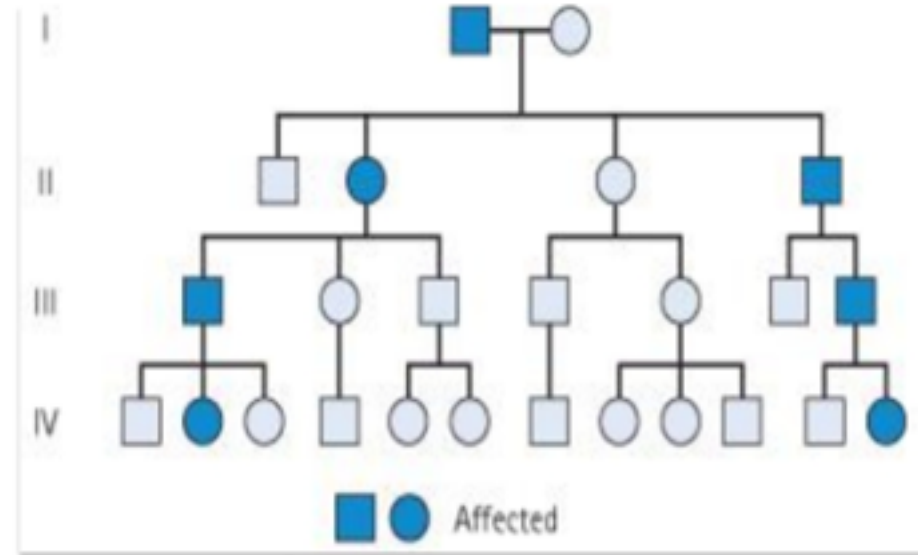
# Autosomal Dominant

- The trait (character, disease) appears in every generation.
- Unaffected persons do not transmit the trait to their children.

## Examples:

1. Huntington disease
2. Myotonic dystrophy
3. Neurofibromatosis type I
4. Marfan syndrome

## Family Tree of an Autosomal Dominant Mode of Inheritance



Note the presence of **male-to-male** (i.e. father to son) transmission



# Autosomal Recessive

- The trait (character, disease) is recessive
- The trait expresses itself only in **homozygous** state
- Unaffected persons (heterozygotes) may have affected children (if the other parent is (heterozygote))
- The parents of the affected child maybe related **(consanguineous)**
- Males and female are **equally** affected
- **Examples: Cystic fibrosis, Phenyketonuria, Sickle cell anaemia, Thalassaemia**

# Punnett square showing autosomal recessive inheritance

1) Both Parents Heterozygous: "Aa+Aa"

- 25% offspring "affected Homozygous" (aa)
- 50% Trait "Heterozygous normal but carrier" (Aa)
- 25% Normal (AA)

	Mother	
	A	a
Father	A	Aa
	a	aa

1) One Parent Heterozygous: "AA+Aa"

- 50% normal but carrier "Heterozygous" (Aa)
- 50% Normal (AA)

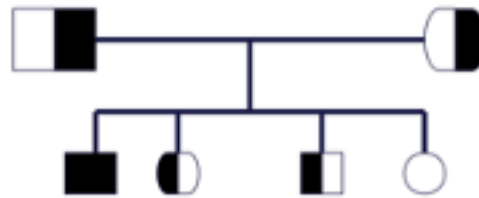
	A	a
A	AA	Aa
A	AA	Aa

1) One Parent Homozygous: "AA+aa"

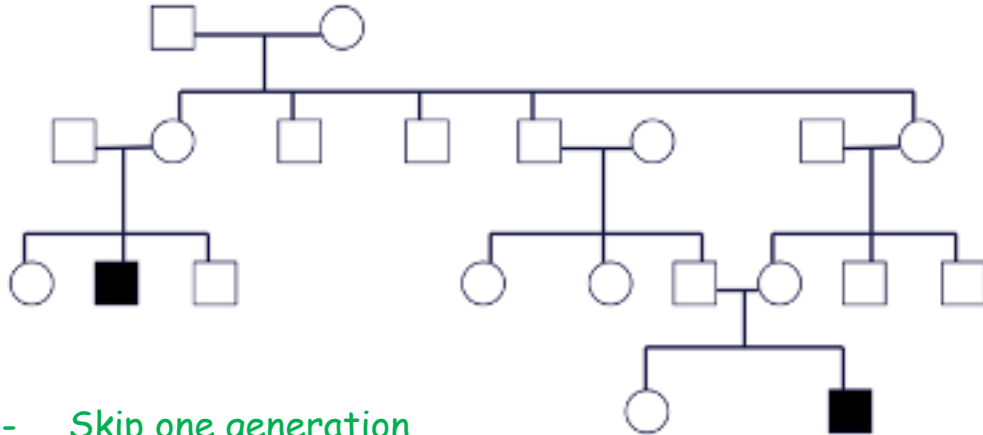
- 100% offspring carriers. (all Aa)

	A	A
a	Aa	Aa
a	Aa	Aa

# Family tree of an Autosomal recessive disorder Sickle cell disease (SS)



A family with sickle cell disease - Phenotype



- Skip one generation

Hb Electrophoresis		
AA	AS	SS
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## Sex-Linked Inheritance

- This is the inheritance of a gene present on the sex chromosomes.
- The Inheritance Pattern is different from the autosomal inheritance.
- Inheritance differs in **males from females**.

Two types: X-linked and Y-linked.

# Y- linked Inheritance

- The gene is on the Y chromosomes
- The gene is passed from fathers to sons only
- Daughters are not affected
- Hairy ears in India
- Male are **Hemizygous** the condition exhibits itself whether dominant or recessive



		Father	
		X	Y*
		<hr/>	
Mother	X	XX	XY*
	X	XX	XY*

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# X – Linked Inheritance

- The gene is present on the X chromosome
- The inheritance follows specific pattern
- Males have one X chromosome, and are hemizygous
- Females have 2 X chromosomes, they may be homozygous or heterozygous
- These disorders may be : recessive or dominant

## X - Linked Recessive Inheritance

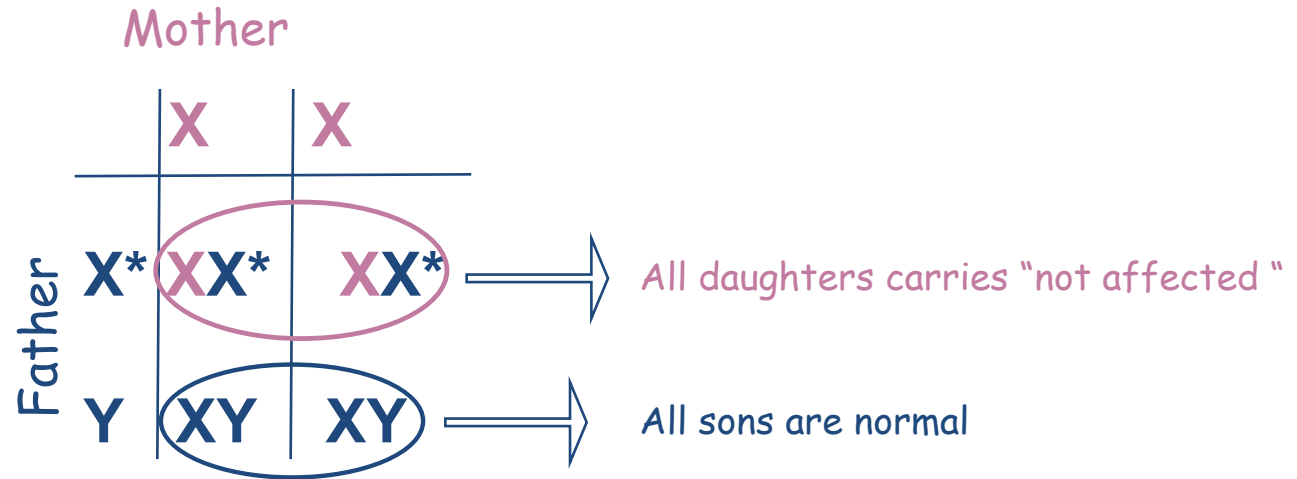
- The incidence of the X-linked disease is higher in male than in female
- The trait is passed from an affected man through all his daughters to half their sons
- The trait is never transmitted directly from father to sons
- An affected women has affected sons and carrier daughters
- **X - Linked Recessive Disorders:** Albinism, Fragile X syndrome, Hemophilia, Muscular dystrophy, Retinitis pigmentosa

# X - Linked Recessive Inheritance

(1) Normal female "mother"

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Affected male "father"





## (2) carrier female, normal male

Mother

Father

	$X^*$	$X$
$X$	$XX^*$	$XX$
$Y$	$X^*Y$	$XY$

50% sons are affected  
50% daughters carriers

## (3) Homozygous female, normal male

- all daughters carriers
- all sons affected

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## X -Linked Dominant Disorders

- The gene is on X Chromosome and is dominant
- The trait occurs at the same frequency in both males and females
- Hemizygous male and heterozygous females express the disease.

## Punnett square showing X - linked dominant type of Inheritance

(1) Affected male and normal female

Mother

	X	X
Father X*	X*X	X*X
y	XY	XY

All daughters affected, all sons normal

(2) Affected female (heterozygous) and normal male

Mother

	X*	X
Father X	XX*	XX
y	X*y	XY

50% sons and 50% daughters are affected

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# TAKE HOME MESSAGES

- An accurate determination of the family pedigree is an important part of the workup of every patient
- Pedigrees for single-gene disorders may demonstrate a straight forward, typical mendelian inheritance pattern
- These patterns depend on location of the gene locus on the chromosomal, which may be autosomal or sex chromosome-linked, and whether the phenotype is dominant or recessive

# MCQs

Q1)Transmission of genes occurs:

- A)Horizontally    B)Vertically    C)Diagonally    D)Between Siblings

Q2)What is the law of dominance:

- A)One allele dominant to another    B)One allele recessive to another    C)Autosomal dominant    D)Autosomal Recessive

Q3)Condition resulting in Syndromes happening due to abnormalities in the Y-chromosome is

- A)Homozygous    B)Sex-linked    C)Hemizygous    D)Heterozygous

Q4)Changes in the Y chromosome will occur in:

- A)Both female and male    B)Male only    C)Female only    D)None

MCQs  
answers

B (4)  
C (3)  
A (2)  
B (1)

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