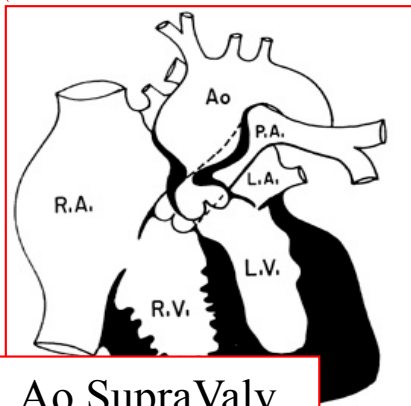
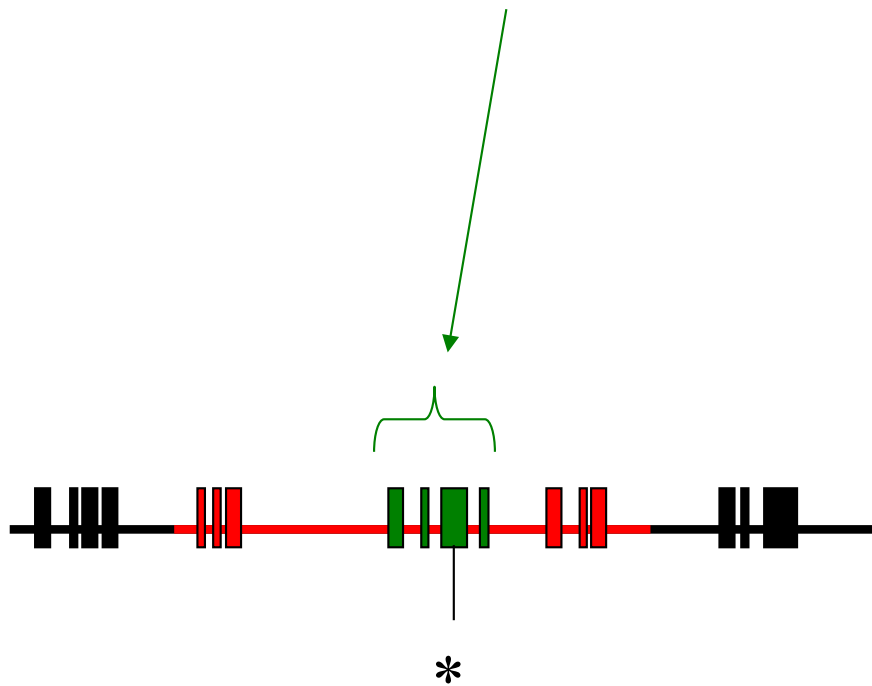


Williams syndrome



- Microdeletion elastin gene + contiguous genes
- Supravalvular Ao stenosis
 - **Isolated form**(non syndromic) of St Ao SupraValv is also described; familial; **AD**; inactivating mutations of the elastin gene
- Dysmorphism
- ID, talkative, music gifted, friendly
 - Gene = ?
- Hypersensitivity to VitD
 - > early diagnosis allows prevention of hyperCa⁺⁺
- Microdeletion most often neomutation; rarely familial, **AD**.

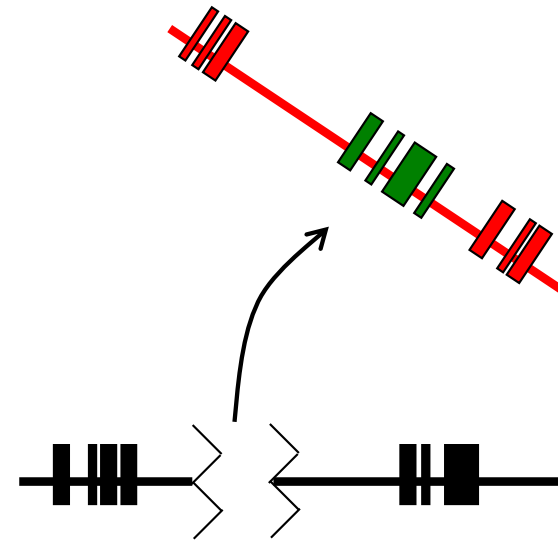
ELN gene



Point mutation

=> St Ao , isolated
AD transmission

Null mutation

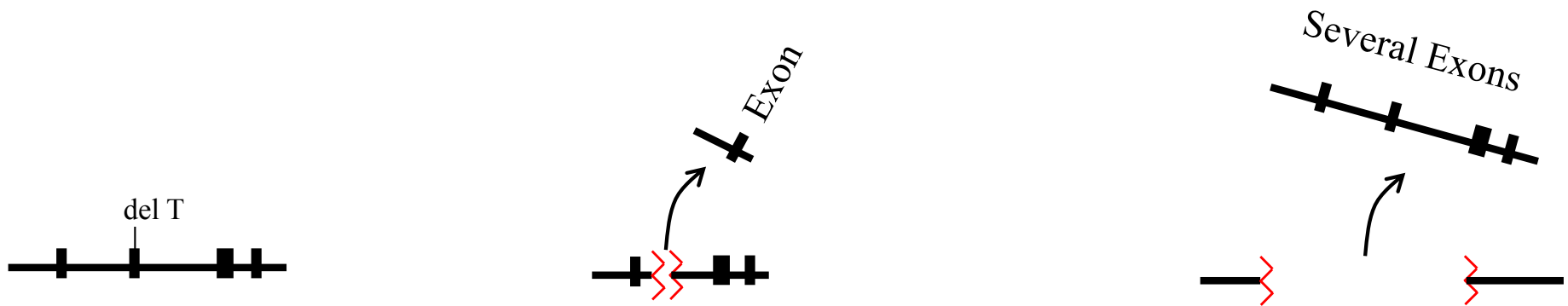


Deletion ELN + **contiguous genes**

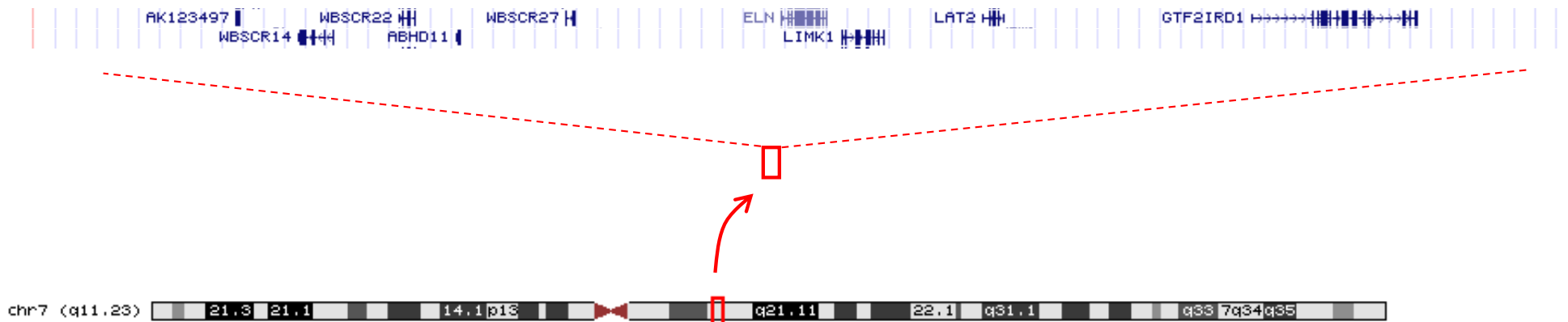
=> St Ao + malfo + MR
+ dysmorphism

confirms haploinsufficiency

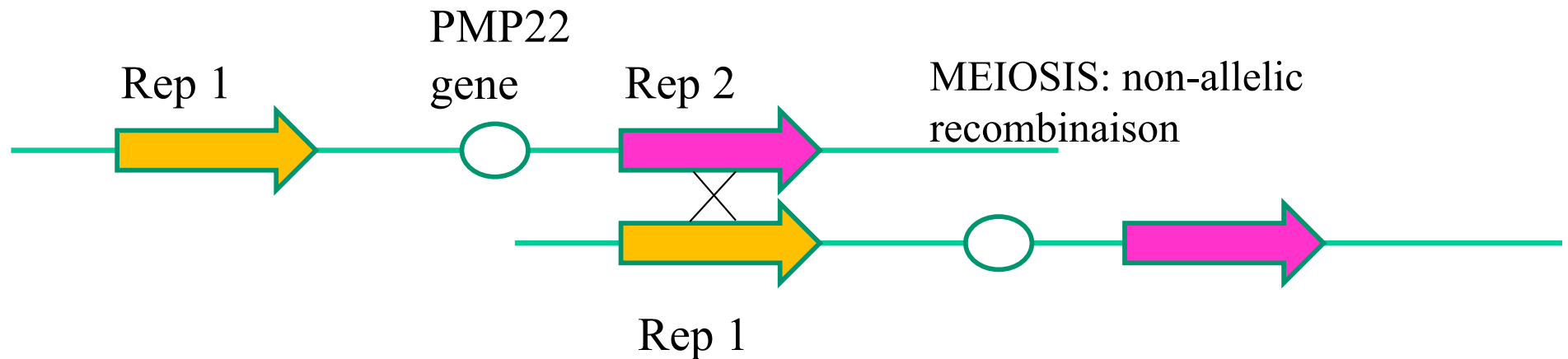
Variable size of mutations



Several genes



Recurrent interstitial microduplication (1/10000 meioses), involving a single gene (PMP22, chr.17)



- PMP22 => péripheral myelin protein
- Duplication => 3 doses
- Causes polyneuropathy

- ✓ Structurally : chromosomal mutation, microduplication
- ✓ Fonctionally: single gene involved => simple, mendelian inheritance, AD

Williams is also AD !! But syndromic, and low fitness, >95% neomutations

From chromosome to nucleotide

- Many syndromes
MCA+MR

Many genes

Several genes

One gene

Exons

KARYOTYPE
cytogenetics

FISH

MICRO-
ARRAYS

- Most hereditary diseases

DNA
molecular genetics



Various mutations currently need different **methods**

Point mutation

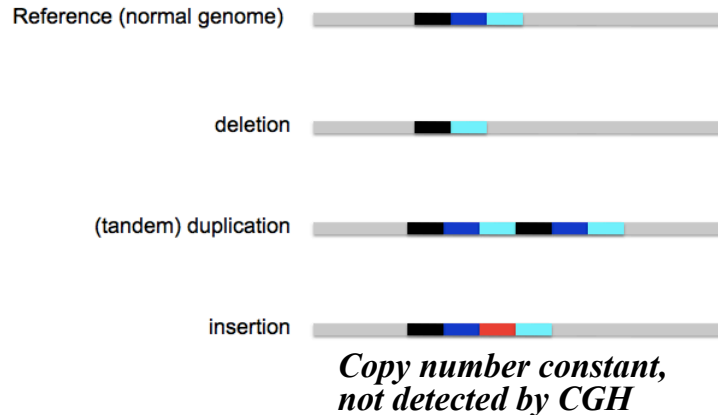
Point mutations (CNVs)
SNVs and small in / dels



DNA sequencing

Chromosomal mutation

Copy Number Variants (CNVs)
 >1kb ; some large enough for cytogenetics
and other chr. rearrangements



CGH array or SNP array

Genome mutation

Aneuploidies

- 47,XX or XY, +21 (T21)
- 47,XX or XY, +18 (T18)
- 47,XX or XY, +13 (T13)
- 47, XXX ; 47, XXY; 47,XYY
- 45,X

chromosomal translocations



Karyotype
 (cytogenetics)

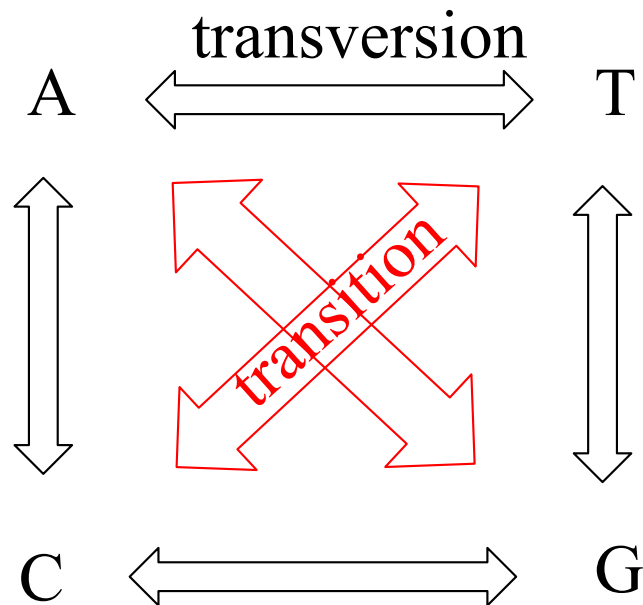
In the future, all types of mutation will be amenable to whole genome sequencing

Mutations

Class	Mechanism	Frequency	Examples
Genome mutation	Chromosome missegregation	>10% meioses	T21, other aneuploidies
Chromosome mutation	Chromosome rearrangement	1/1000 meioses	Microdeletion, translocation
Gene mutation	Base pair mutation	Varies with loci $\sim 10^{-6}$ /locus /generation	Point mutations, indels

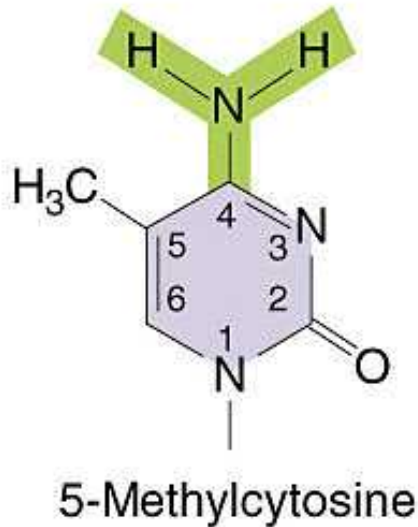
- Most Genome mutations and Chromosome mutation affect survival and/or fertility => fitness ~ 0

Single-nucleotide point mutations

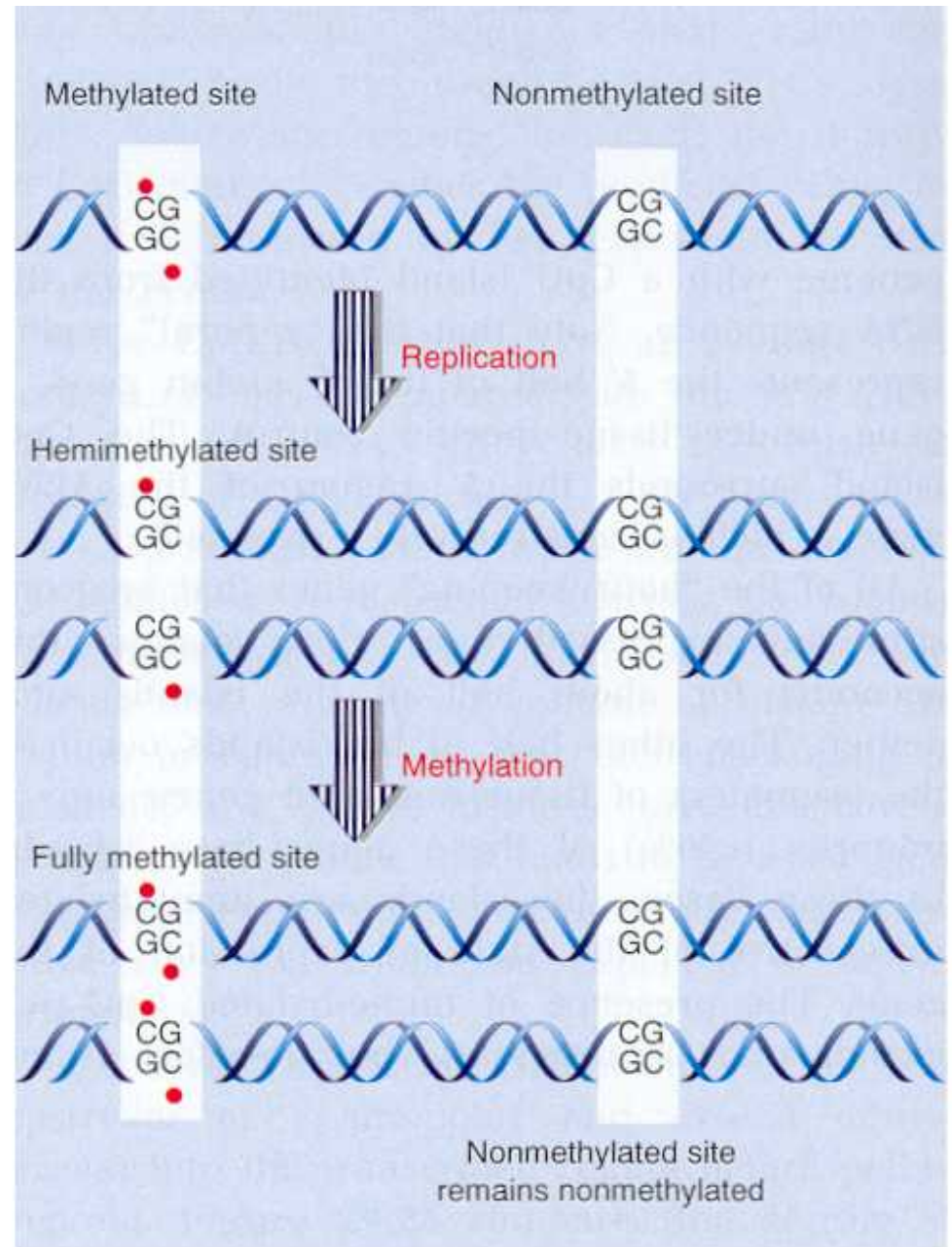


- Transition: purine to purine
- Transversion: pu / py
- Expect 2 x more transversions
- In fact transitions are more frequent
- Most frequent is C>T (G>A) in 5' CpG 3' dinucleotide

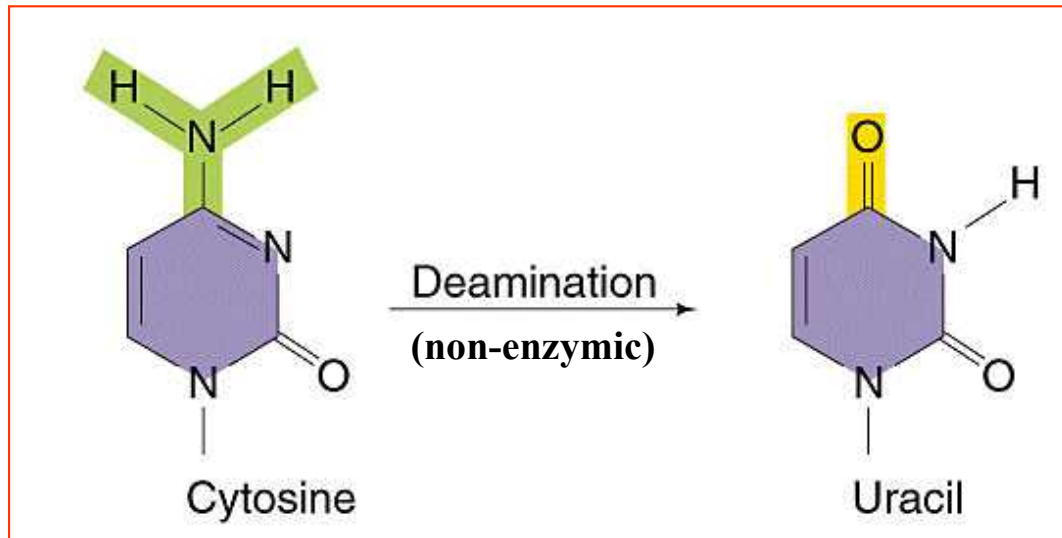
DNA (hemi-) methylation



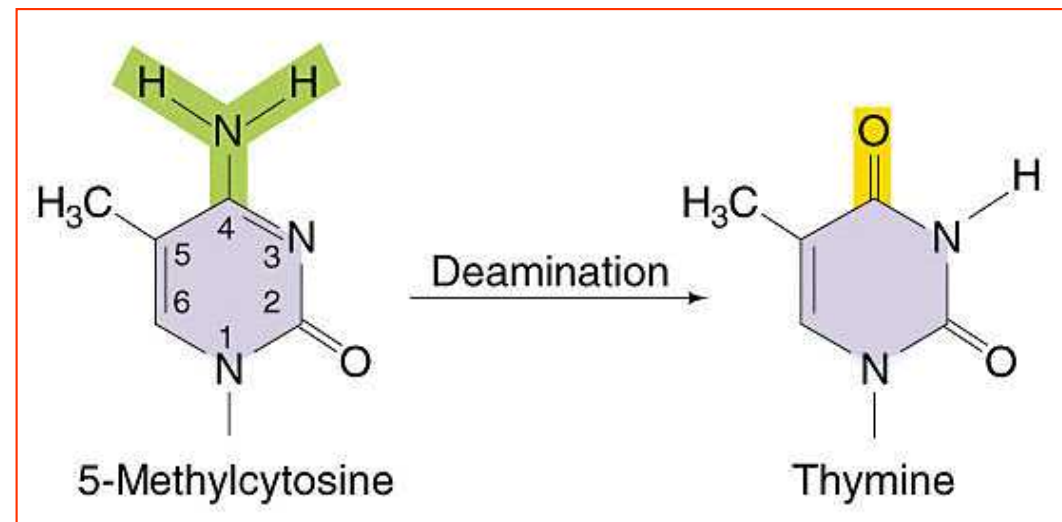
- metC = 5th base of DNA
- Methylated promoters inactive (usually)
- Implication in gene silencing; imprinting.
- Epigenetic heredity



^{met}Cytosine occasional deamination



- In DNA, uracil recognized as abnormal
=> mutation corrected



- Thymine not recognized as abnormal
=> mutation remains

MUTATIONS IN CODING SEQUENCES



Point mutations

Affect 1 or a few base pairs

MUTATIONS IN CODING SEQUENCES

NORMAL

ATGCAGCAGCAGTTTTTACGTAACCCG... DNA
Met Gln Gln Gln Phe Leu Arg Asn Pro AMINO ACID

MISSENSE
MUTATION

ATGCAGCAGCAGTTTTT**C**ACGTAACCCG... DNA
Met Gln Gln Gln Phe **Ser** Arg Asn Pro AMINO ACID

**NONSENSE
MUTATION**

ATGCAGCAGCAGTTTTT**G**ACGTAACCCG... DNA
Met Gln Gln Gln Phe **STOP** AMINO ACID

FRAMESHIFT
MUTATION
(1 bp DELETION)

ATGCAGCAGCAGTTTTTACGTAACCCG... DNA
Met Gln Gln Gln Phe **Tyr Val Thr Arg** AMINO ACID

SILENT
MUTATION

ATGCAGCAGCAGTTTTT**G**CGTAACCCG... DNA
Met Gln Gln Gln Phe **Leu** Arg Asn Pro AMINO ACID

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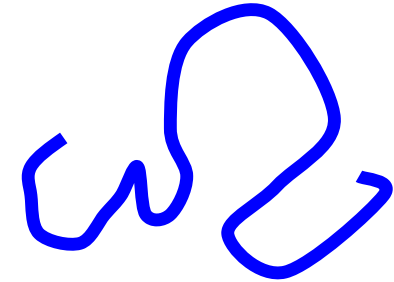
ATGCAGCAGCAGCAGCAGCAGCAGCAGCAG... DNA
Met **Gln Gln Gln Gln Gln Gln Gln Gln** AMINO ACID

**Point
mutations**

Affect 1 or a
few base
pairs

Nonsense mutation generally causes null allele

Wt allele > mRNA > normal protein:

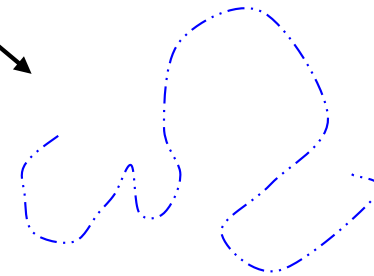


Nonsense Mutation > Premature Termination Codon (PTC)

OR



Truncated protein product



Unstable mRNA > decay

Usually complete loss of function

always complete loss of function

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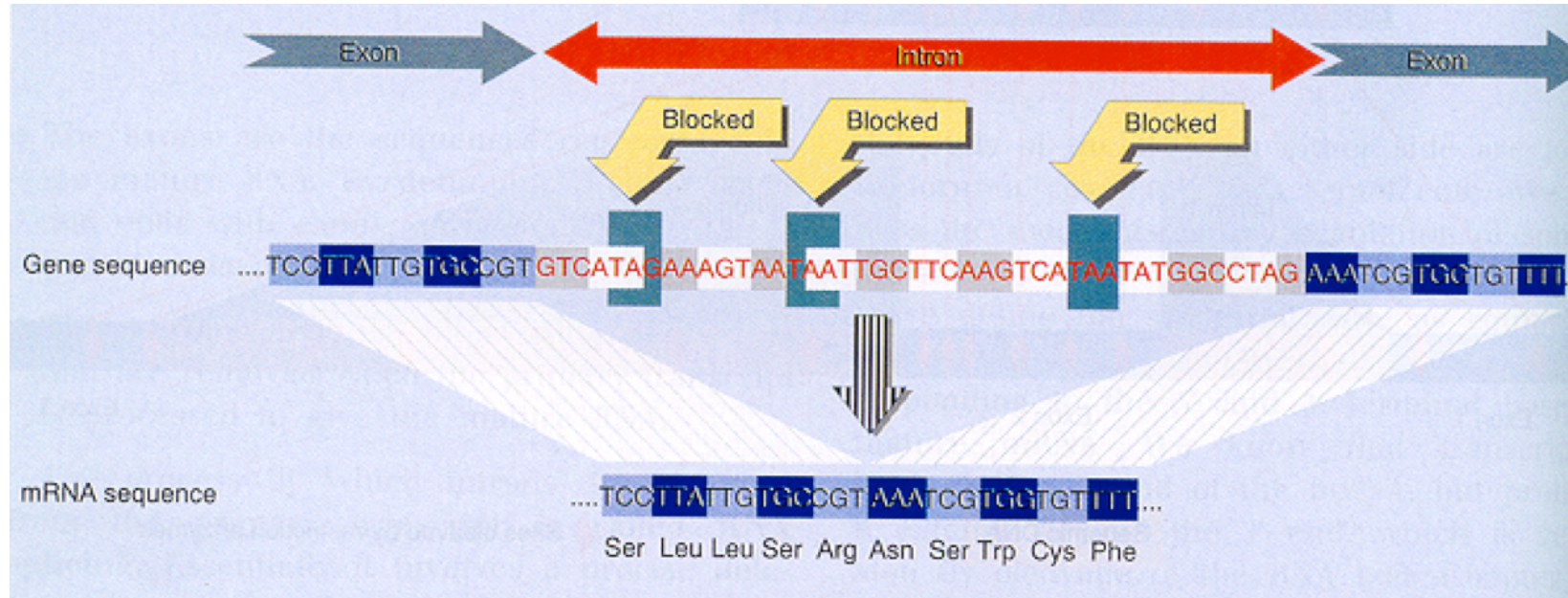
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Point mutations

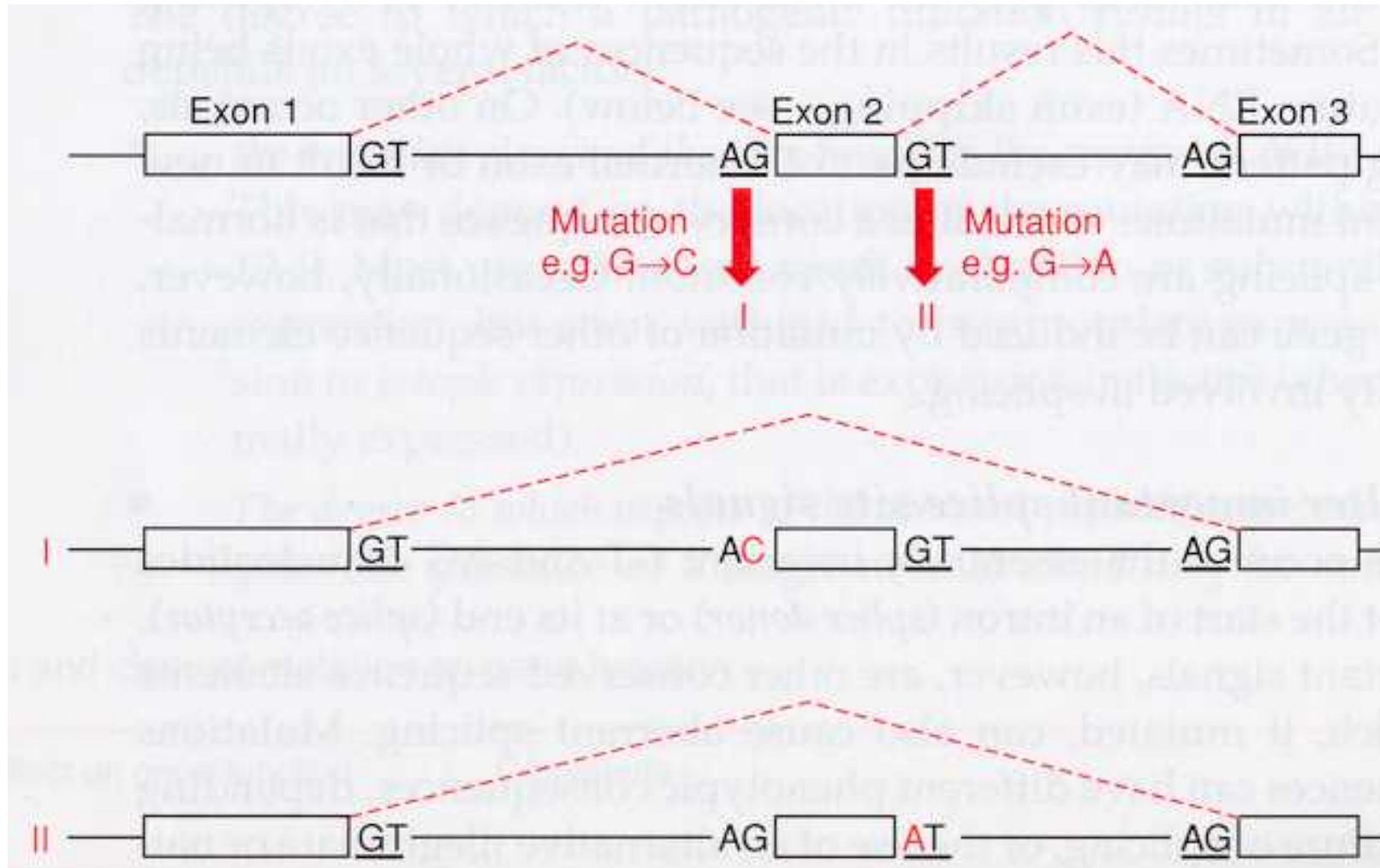
Affect 1 or a few base pairs

Frameshift mutations and premature termination codons (PTCs)



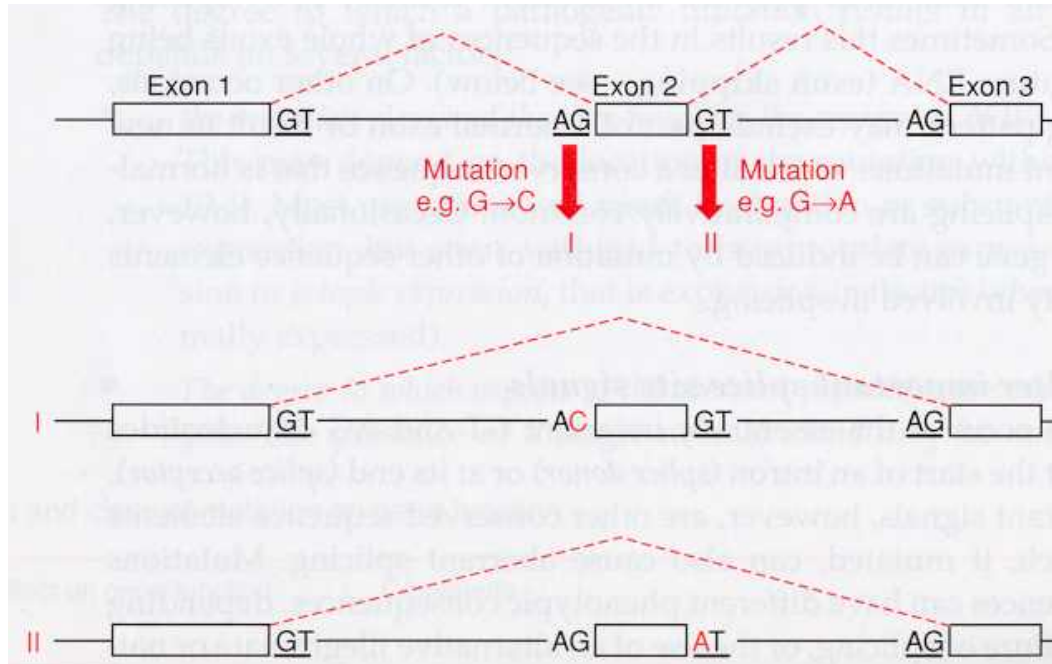
- Normal reading frame is open (ORF): no premature stop codon
- The two other phases (normally unread) contain many stop codons (ex: TAG, TAA)
- hence, a mutation that shifts the triplet frame of codon reading (frameshift) has 2 consequences
 1. Changes all downstream AA
 2. Then premature termination codon (= truncation)

Splice-site Mutation

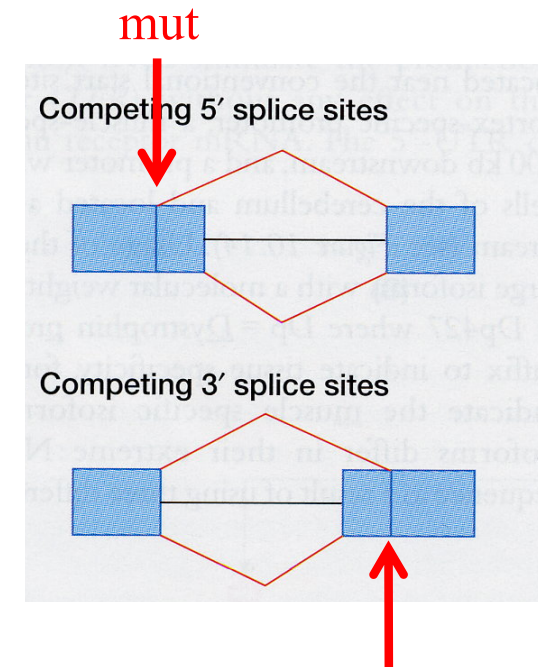


exon skipping

Splice Mutations



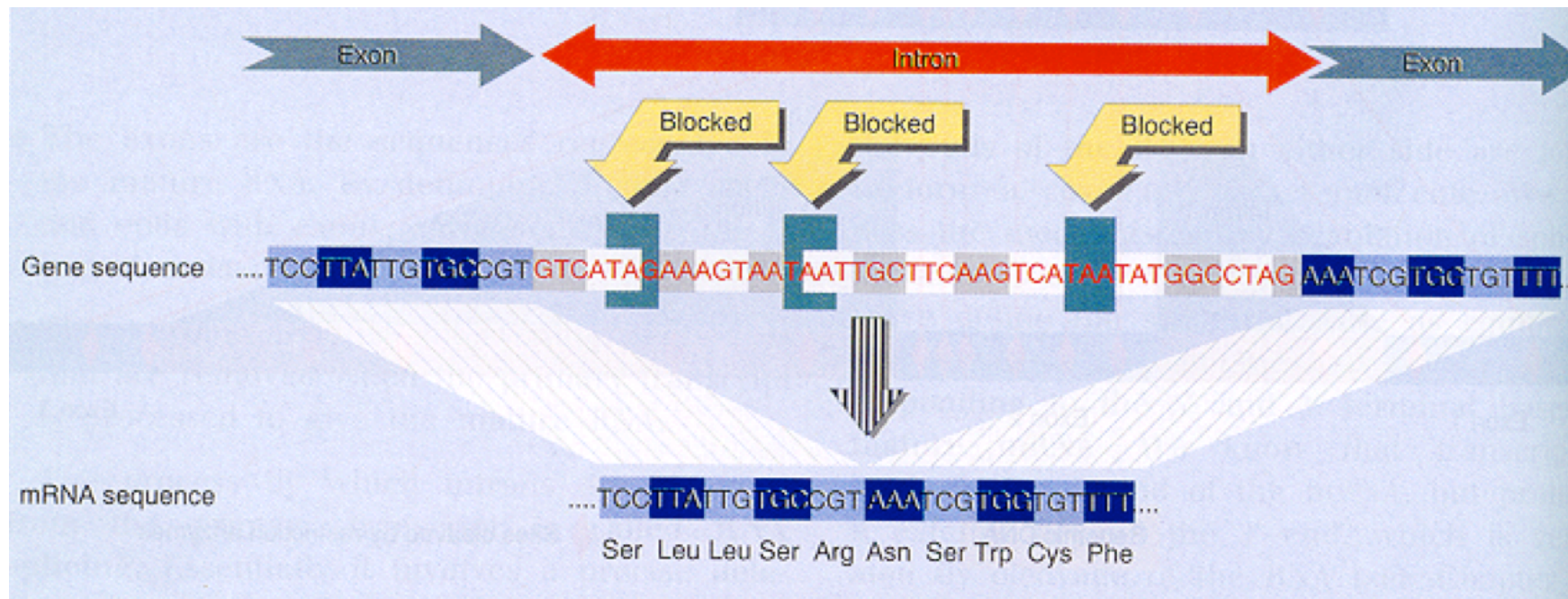
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Retention of a piece of intron

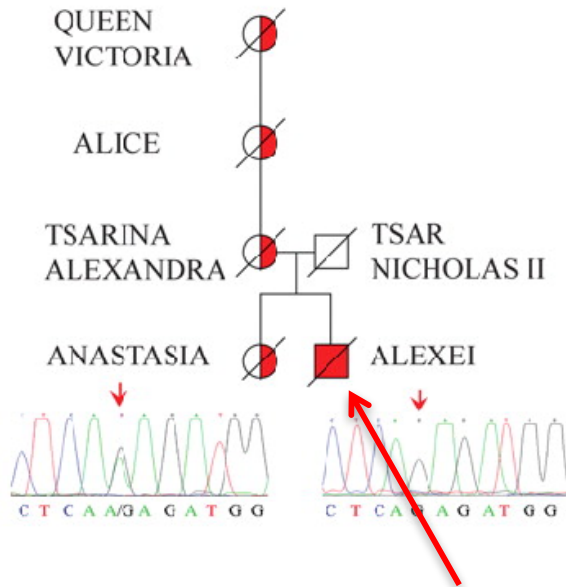
Splice Mutations

- *Added/lost exon may be IN PHASE exon = contains 3n nucleotides*
- *If added/lost exon is OUT OF PHASE, splicing mutation will add frameshift to insertion/loss of protein fragment:*
 1. *Ajout / perte d'un morceau de protéine*
 2. *Modification des AA en aval de l'ajout / perte*
 3. *Codon stop en aval de tout cela*
- *Idem with retention of intronic sequence in mRNA, because introns contain numerous would-be stop codons in all reading frames*

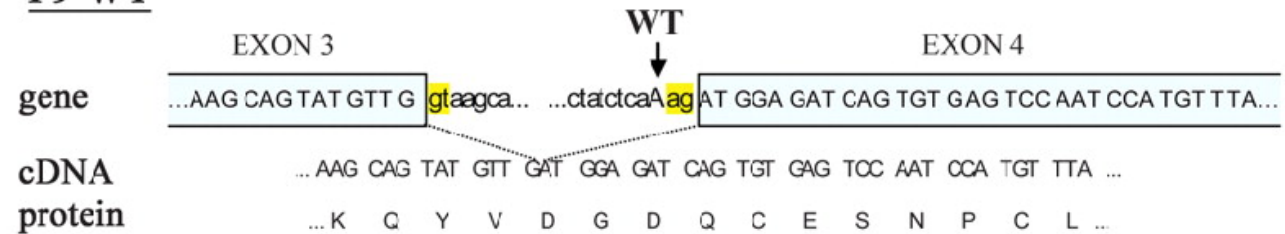


The Royal Disease explained

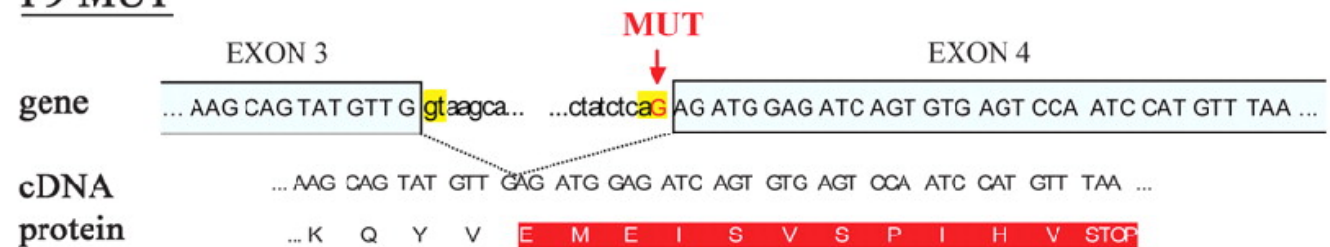
A



B F9 WT



F9 MUT

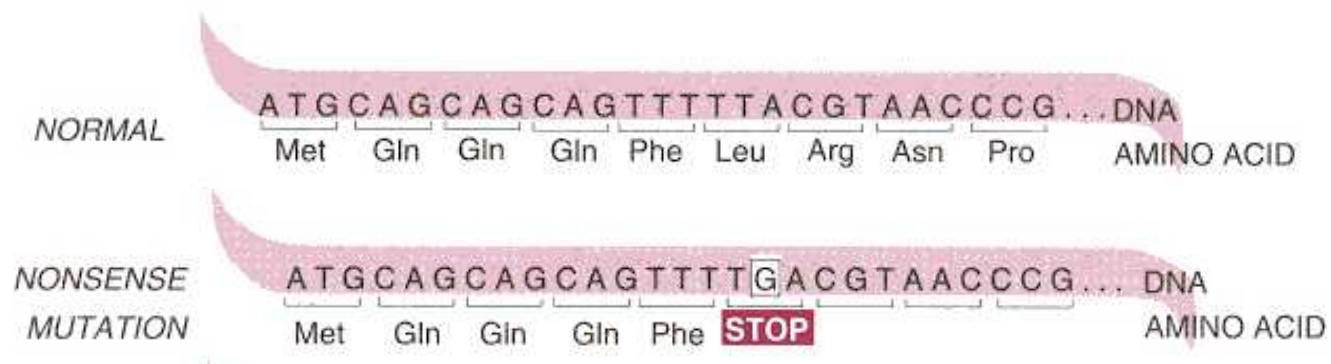


- A>G mutation creates a new splice acceptor site
- => exonisation of 2 nucleotides, AG
- => production of a truncated factor IX protein

Rogaev et al. *Science* 6 November 2009: Vol. 326. no. 5954, p. 817

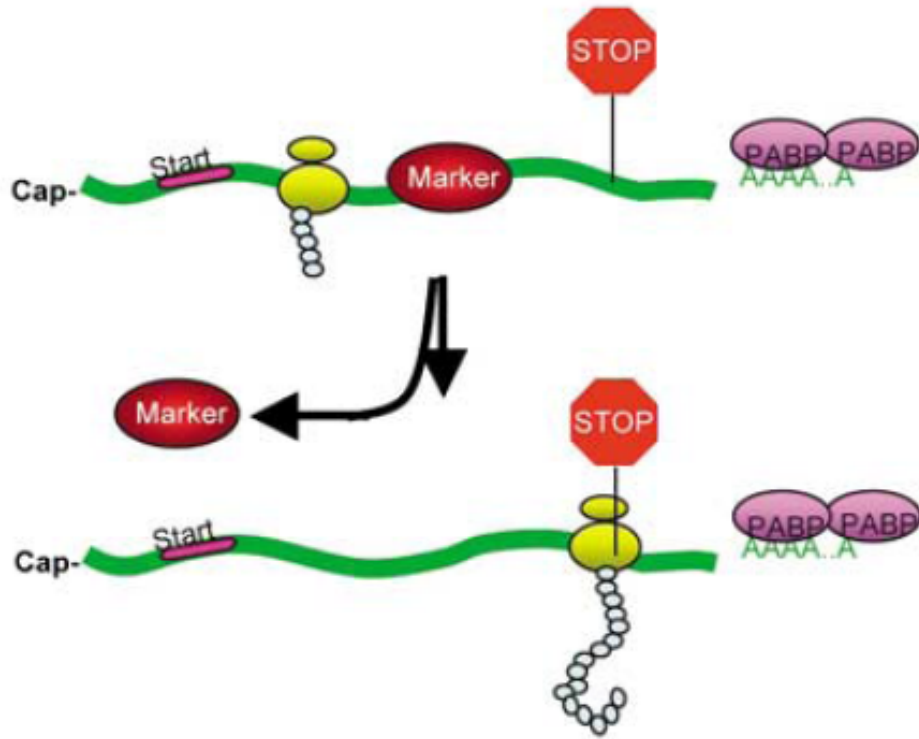
Premature Termination Codon (PTC)

- Truncates the reading frame
- Several types of mutations
 - nonsense
 - Indel (small insertion/small deletion) (not multiple of 3)
 - Splice mutations
- Often causes nonsense-mediated mRNA decay

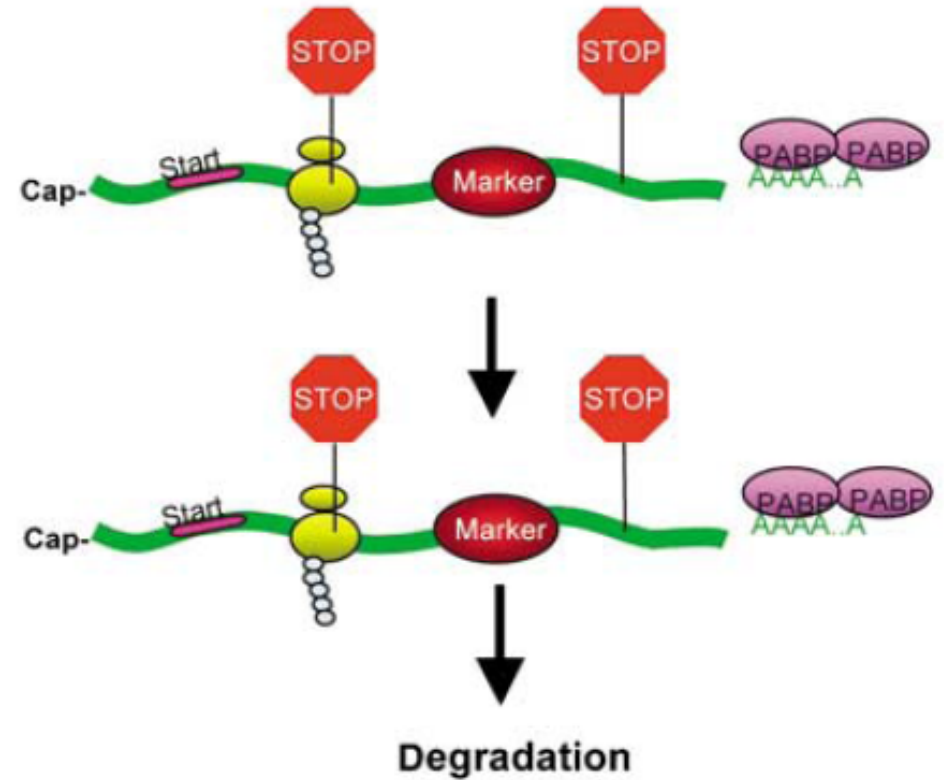


Nonsense-mediated decay of mRNA.

NORMAL



PREMATURE TERMINATION CODON

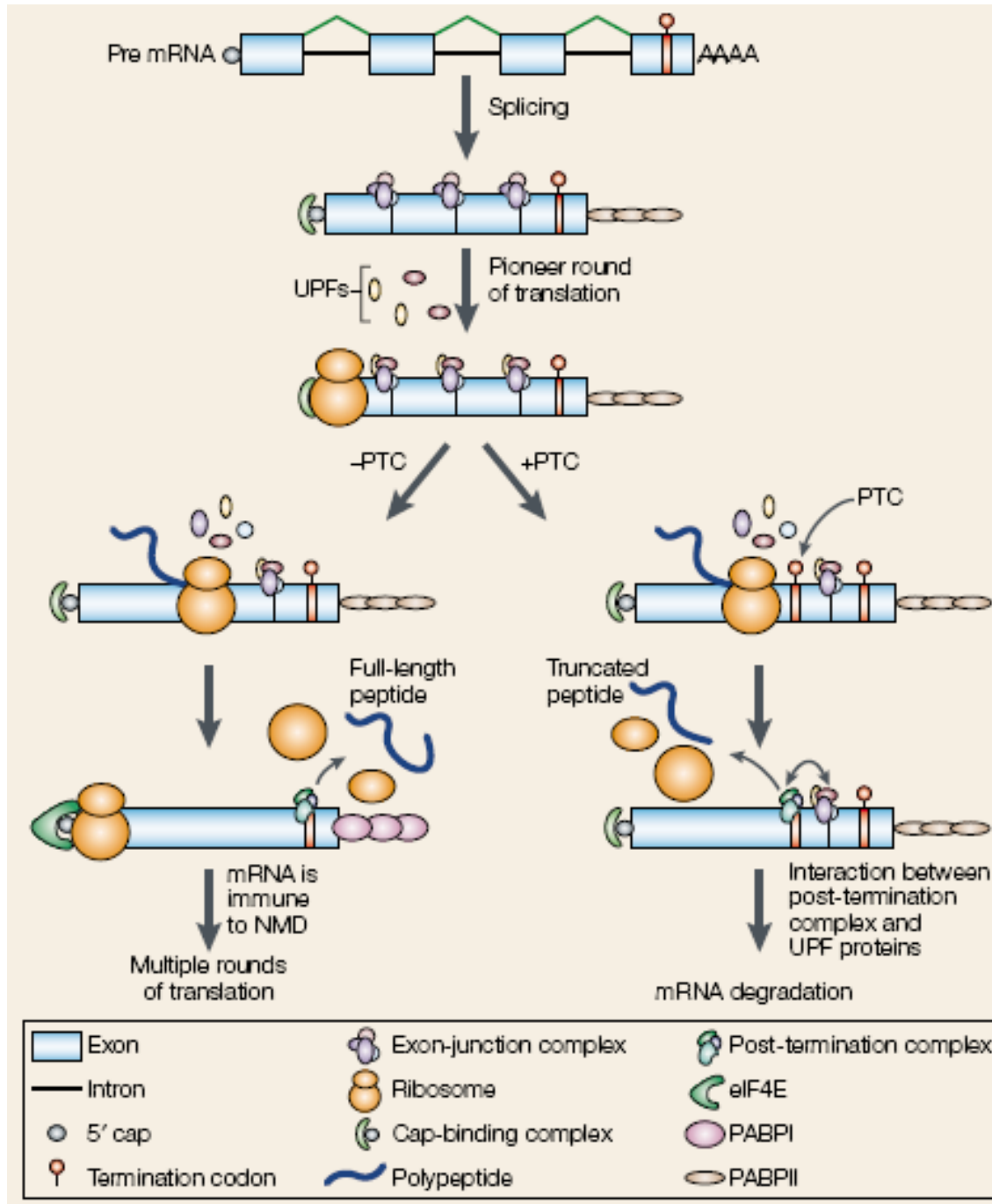


Shyu et al 2008 EMBO J

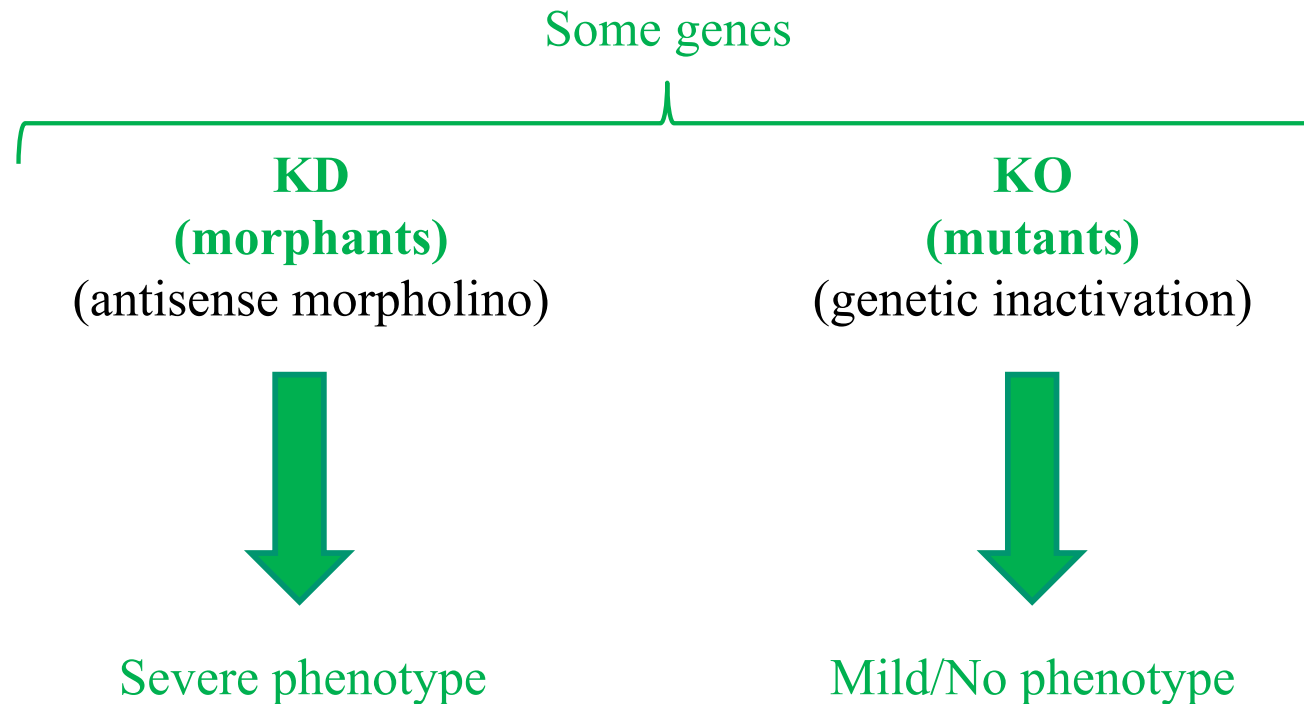
Marker for degradation = Exon Junction Complex

Exon Junction complex

- Appears during mRNA maturation
- Displaced during first round of ribosomal read; special round (in nucleus?)
- If remains on cytoplasmic mRNA, induces its degradation



Paradox:
some PTCs produce milder phenotypes in model organisms
(ZF ; mouse)



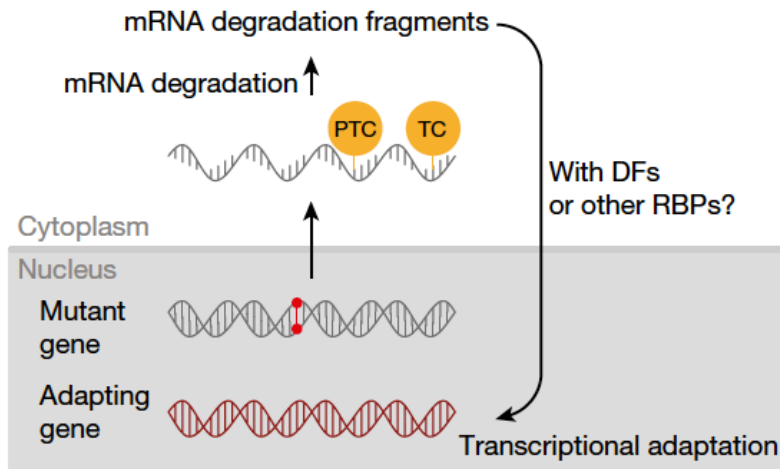
- Off target effect of morpholino
- Toxicity of excipient
- Genetic compensation response (transcriptional regulation)

GENETIC COMPENSATION triggered by NMD

- Transcriptional adaptation
- Correlates with mutant mRNA degradation
- Favours genes that exhibit sequence similarity with the mutated gene's mRNA
- Via Upf3a and COMPASS components

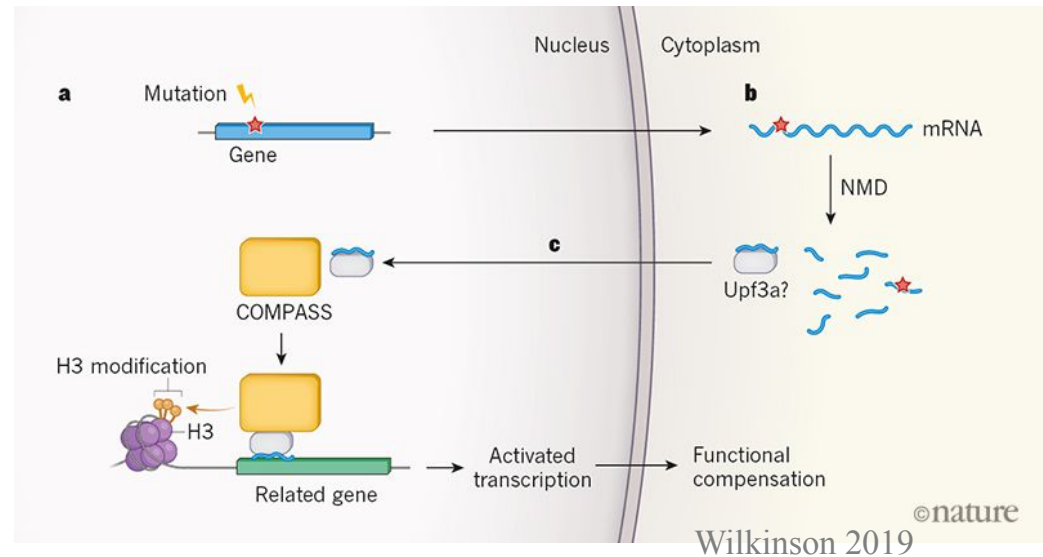
El Brolosy et al. 2019 Nature ; Ma et al. 2019 Nature

Genetic compensation triggered by NMD



DF, decay factors
RBPs, RNA-binding proteins

El-Brolosy et al. 2019



Gene mutations that truncate the encoded protein can trigger the expression of related genes. The discovery of this compensatory response changes how we think about genetic studies in humans and model organisms.

Nonsense-induced transcriptional compensation

Implications

- Missense may be more severe than nonsense even without dom neg
- Interindividual variability in transcriptional adaptation may explain variable phenotype in haploinsufficiency with PTC
 - Including upregulation of the wt allele
- Phenotype of up-regulated genes = ?
- ZF KD may be better model than ZF KO
- Some up-regulated paralogues = modifier genes > Therap targets?
- RNAseq data may eventually help interpreting mutation effects

MUTATIONS IN CODING SEQUENCES

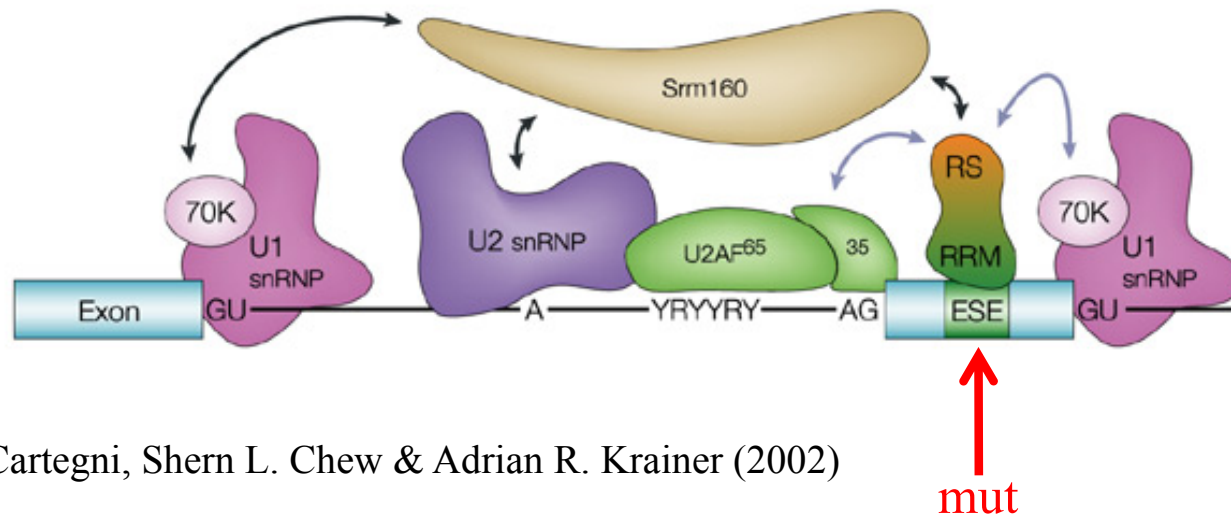


Point mutations

Affect 1 or a few base pairs

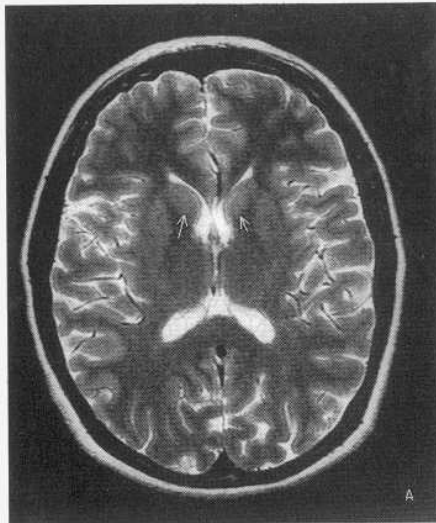
Mutations that do not change an AA

- Often 3rd base of codons (the genetic code is « degenerate »)
- IN PRINCIPLE no effect on gene function because no effect on protein structure
- But not always: if mutation affects an Exon Splicing Enhancer, can have major functional effect independent of polypeptide sequence

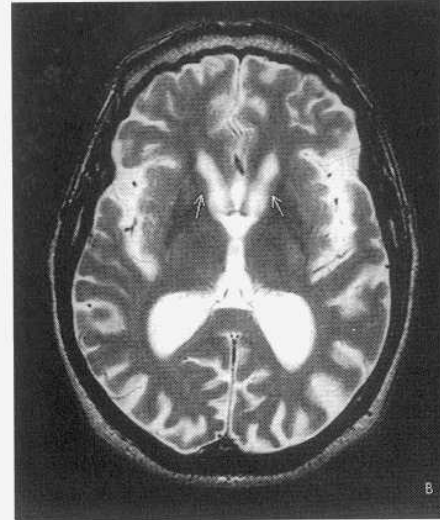


Luca Cartegni, Shern L. Chew & Adrian R. Krainer (2002)

Nucleotide triplet Expansion



(a) Normal volunteer
(Courtesy of Dr M. Lowry, Hull, UK.)



(b) Huntington's disease

Huntington Disease

- Degeneration of striatal neurons (caudate nuclei)
- ↓ GABA

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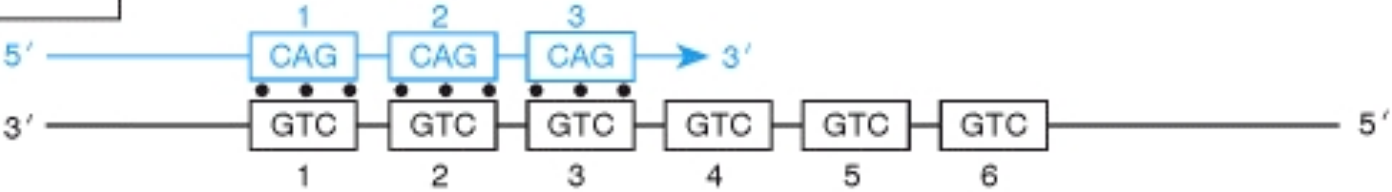
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Met

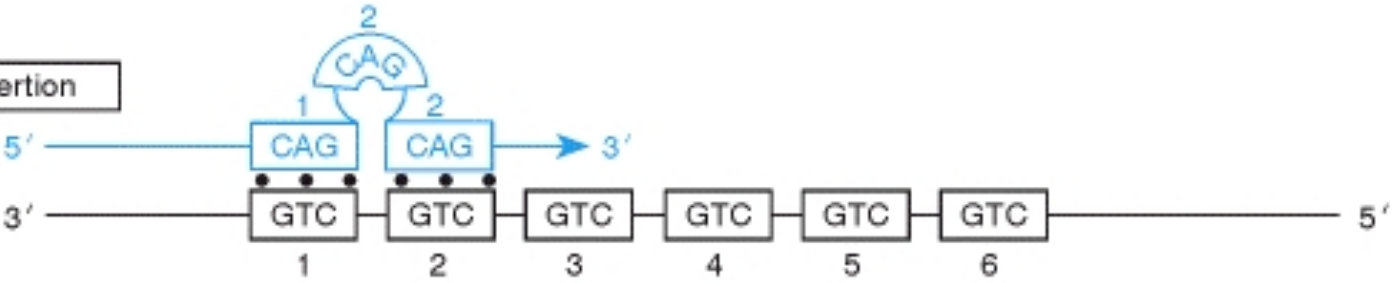
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AMINO ACID

Normal replication

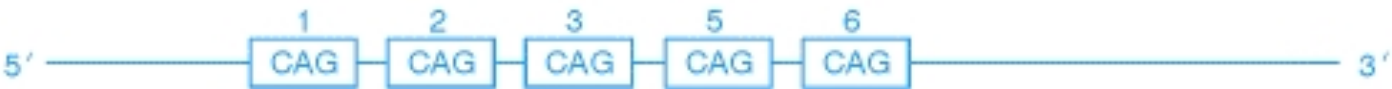
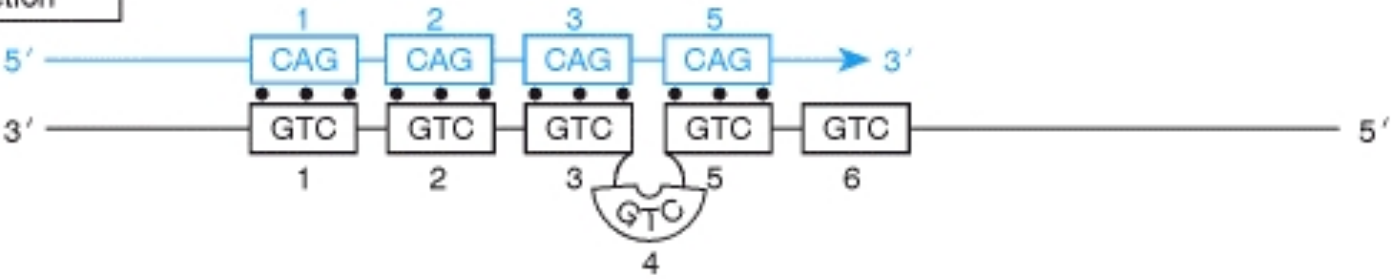


Backward slippage causes insertion



Replication slippage

Forward slippage causes deletion



MUTATION in SINGLE GENE (gene mutation)

MUTATION IN NONCODING SEQUENCE

Promoter, enhancer, silencer

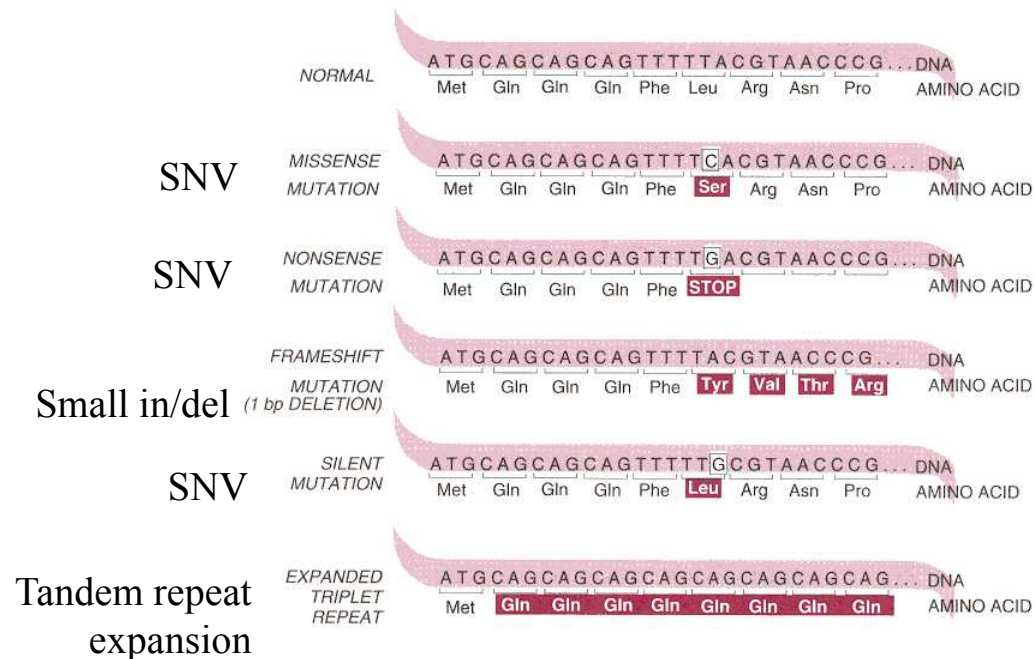
MUT. IN CODING SEQUENCE

POINT MUTATION

- Small in/del (ex: DF508 du CFTR)
- Repeat expansion (ex: Huntington)
- Single Nucleotide Variant (SNV)

DELETION OR DUPLICATION of EXONS
(large intragenic in/del)

Large in/del = small CNV



Large indel gene mutation : **deletion or duplication of multiple exons**

Consider a gene with exons A, B, C, D, E.

Breakpoints in two introns: /

== A =/
== B == C ==/
== D ===== E ==

NAHR during meiosis yields two gametes with mutations in this gene:

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➤ Interstitial deletion (exons del, intragenic deletion):

== A ===== D ===== E ==

=> mRNA: ADE

Is this deletion IN FRAME?

= is nb of nucleotides 3n?

If ≠ 3n, frameshift, causing complete LOF

➤ Interstitial duplication :

== A ===== B == C ===== B == C ===== D ===== E ==

=> mRNA: ABCBCDE

Is this duplication IN FRAME?

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MUTATIONS IN CODING SEQUENCES

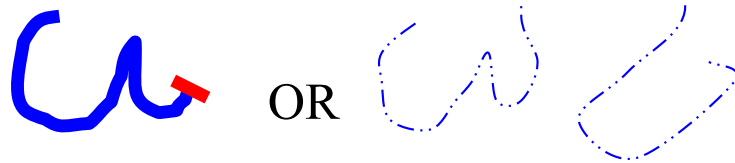


Point mutations
Affect 1 or a few base pairs

Functional effect of coding mutations

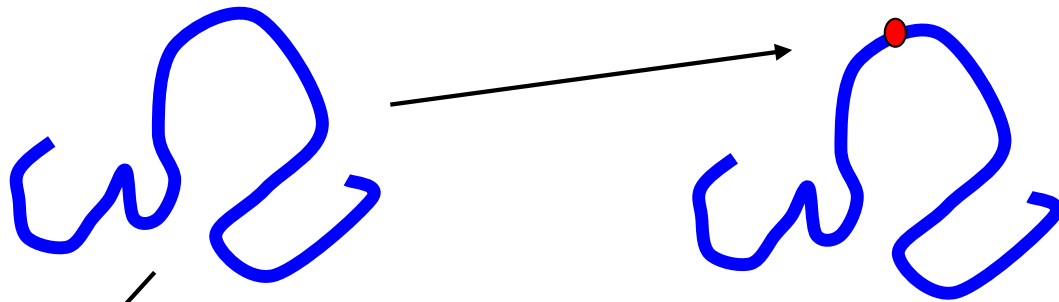
Null alleles

- (most) Stop codon
- (most) frameshifts
- (most) splicing



Loss of function (null allele)

Occasionally, truncated product still has function: antimorph, neomorph or hypomorph



MISSENSEs :

AA → other AA

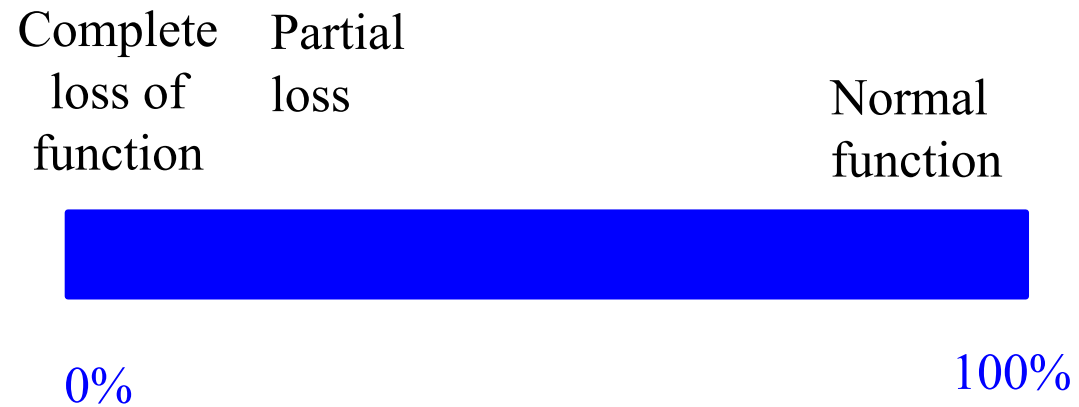


Variable effect:

- Loss of function.
 - ✓ Total
 - ✓ Partial
 - ✓ Total + 2nd allele
- Gain of function.
- Variant normal/polym.

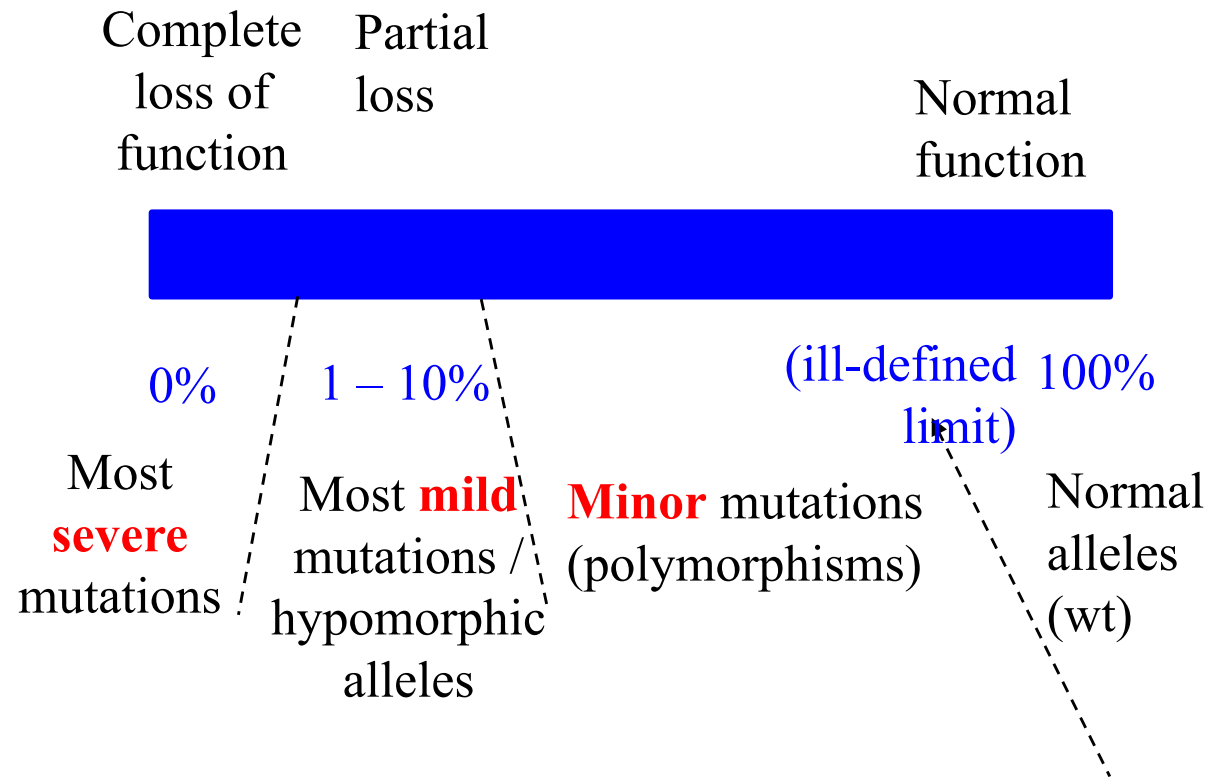
Functional effect, **loss of function** type

- Quantitative effect, with continuum



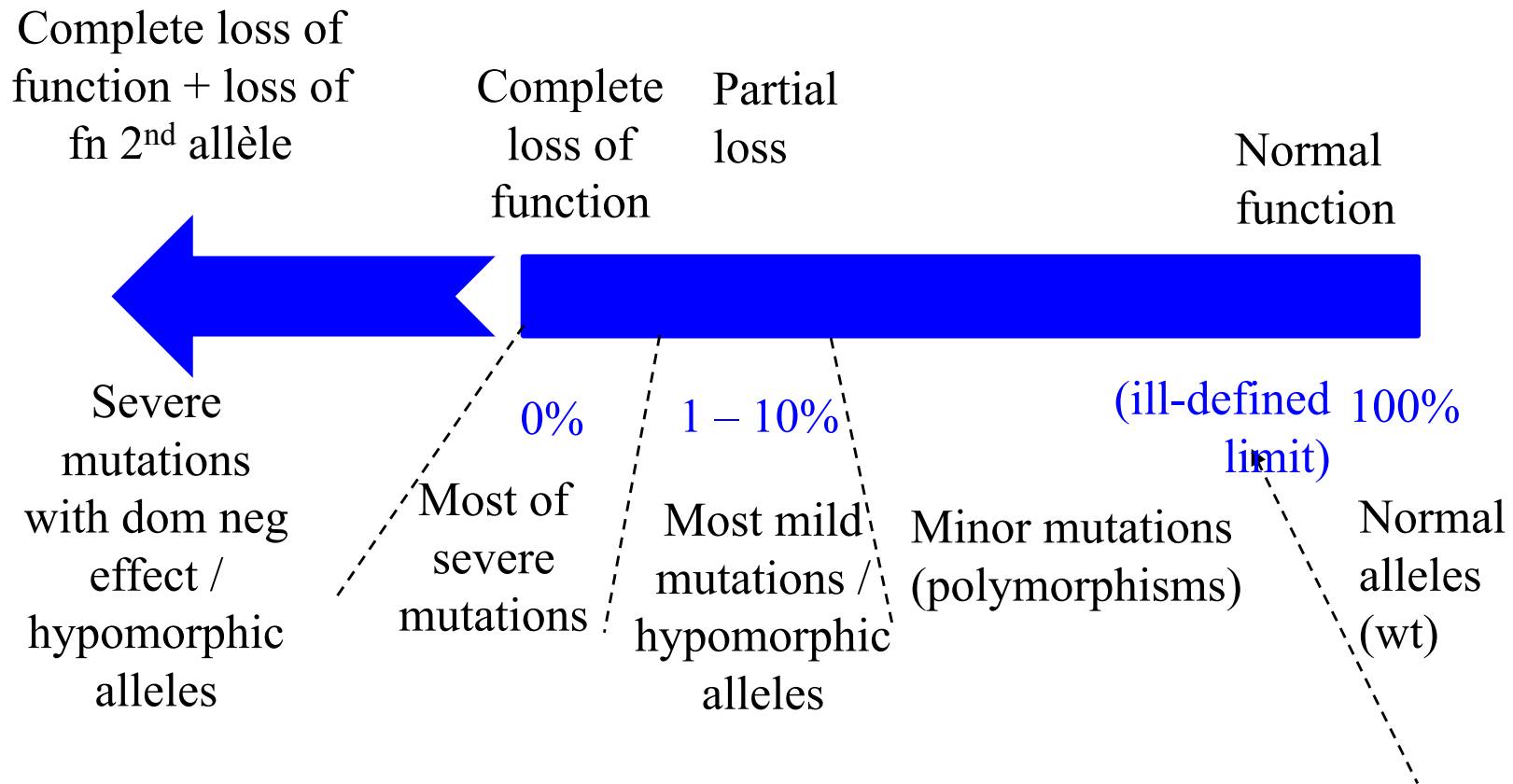
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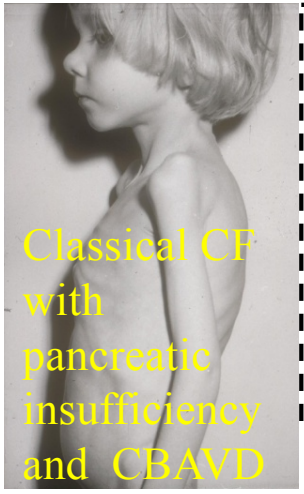
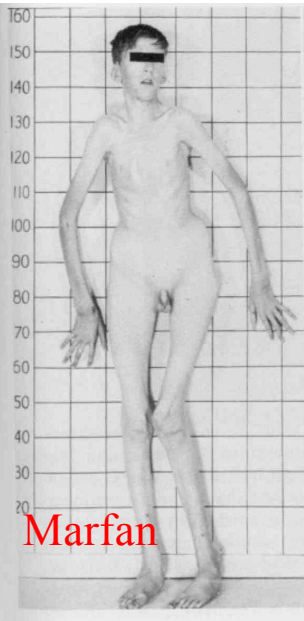
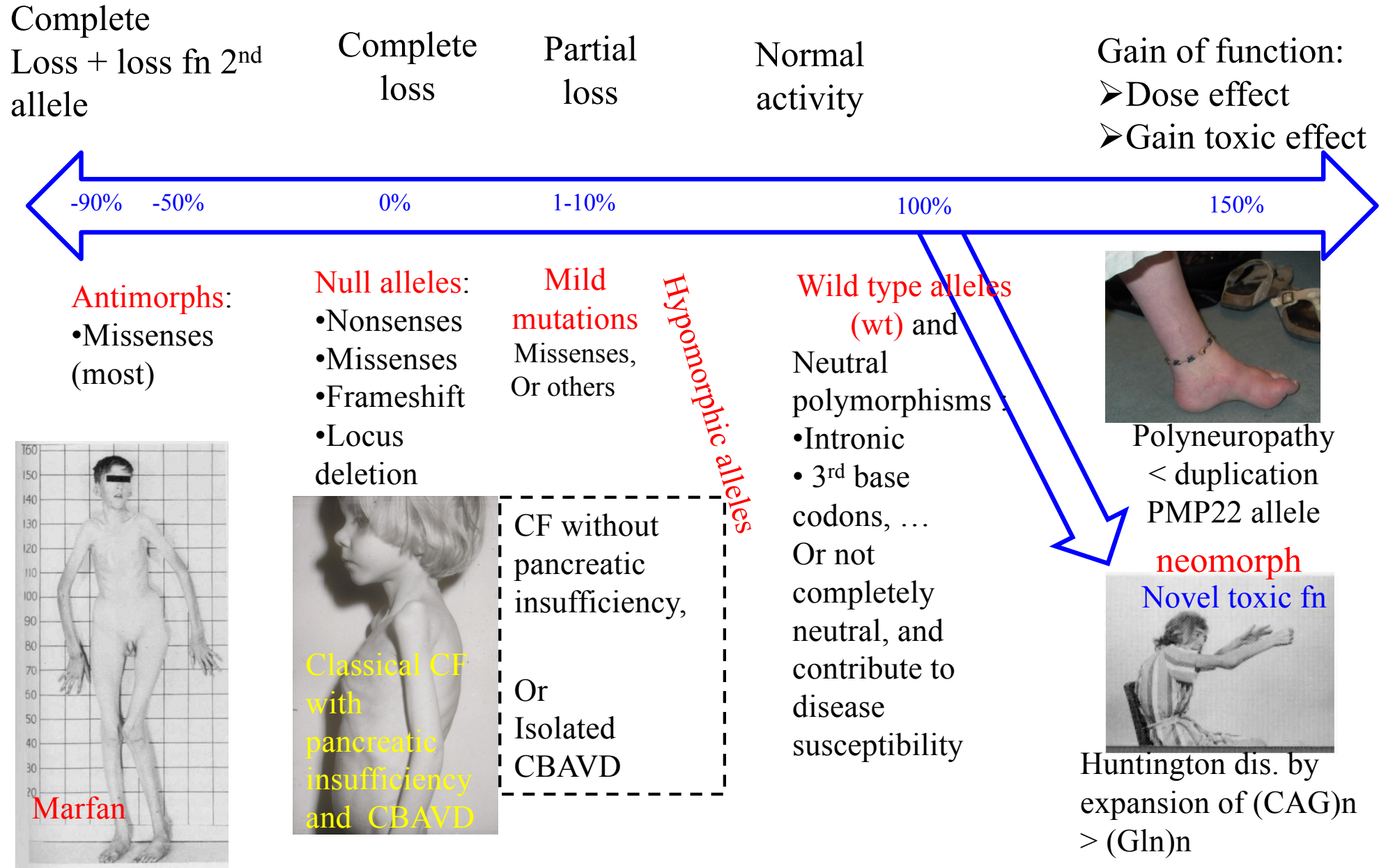


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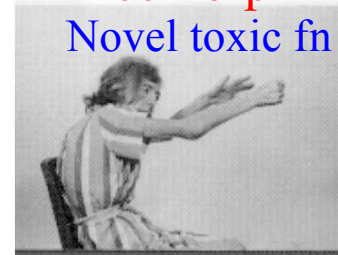
Mutations causing gain or loss of function



CF without pancreatic insufficiency, Or Isolated CBAVD



Polyneuropathy < duplication PMP22 allele



Huntington dis. by expansion of (CAG)_n > (Gln)_n

Mutations and polymorphisms

- MINOR MUTATIONS = Polymorphisms
 - MILD MUTATIONS
 - MAJOR (SEVERE) MUTATIONS High penetrance
- all are genetic VARIANTS = not wild type**

By definition, Polymorphism if allele frequency ≥ 0.01

- Consider a locus with 2 alleles: A and B
- With frequencies = p and q
- If $p > q$, q = minor allele frequency (MAF)
- **POLYMORPHISM if $q \geq 0.01$**

if $q < 0.01$, « rare genetic variant »

Polymorphism: allele frequency ≥ 0.01

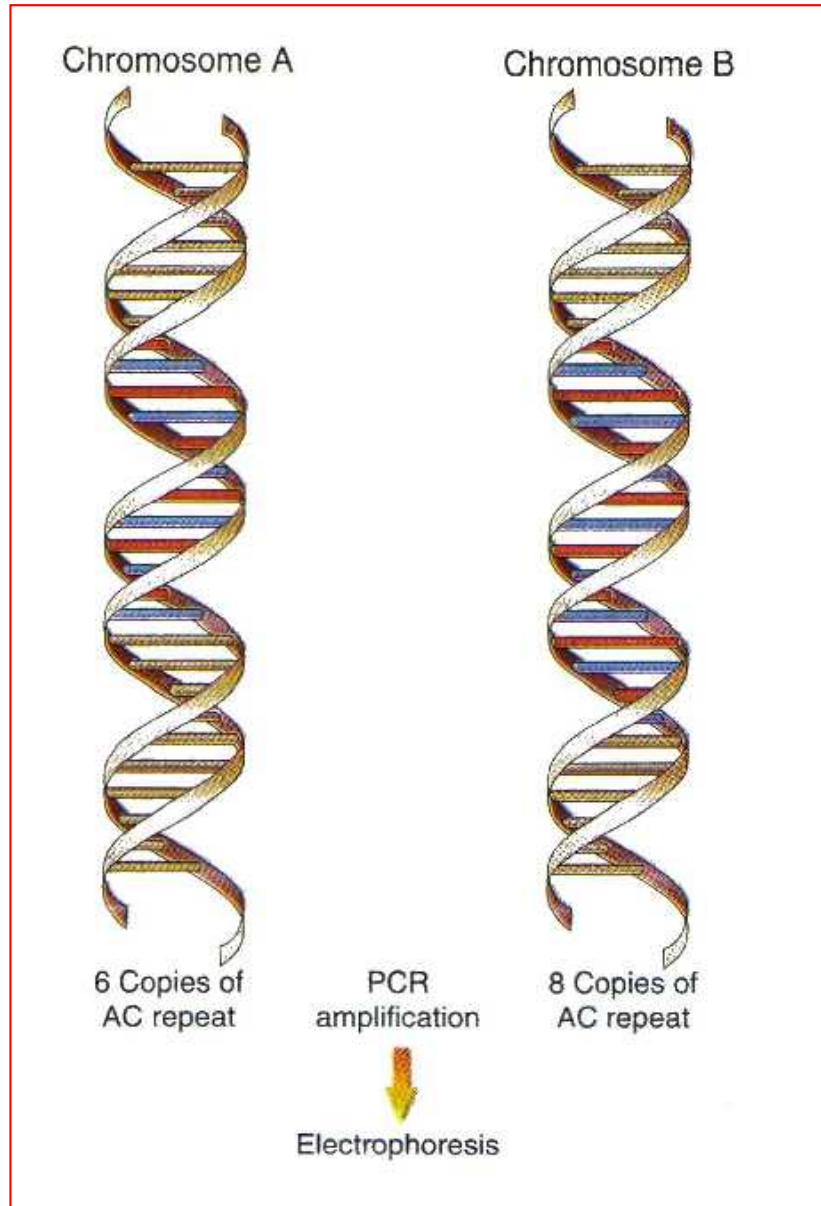
- A, B, O blood group
 - HLA B27
 - Many, many other coding changes
 - Many, many non-coding SNPs
 - Many, many CNPs
-
- Daltonism mutation
 - HFE*C282Y
 - CFTR*DF508
(! According to definition, DF508 is a human polymorphism !)

Polymorphic markers

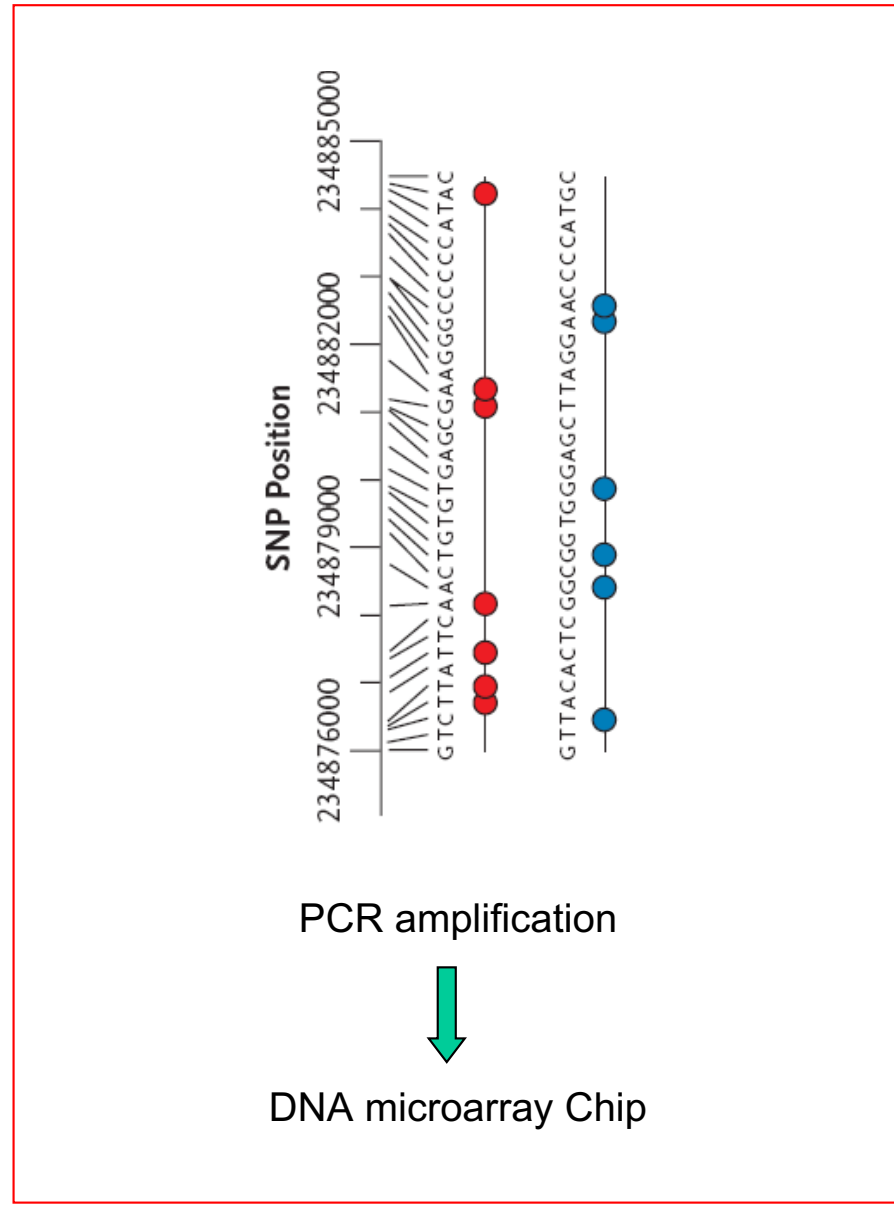
- Neutral polymorphisms, frequent in population (typically MAF $>.05$)
 - Minisatellites (obsolete)
 - Microsatellites (= short tandem repeats)
 - SNPs
 - others
- May serve as markers of chromosomal segment
 - Linkage studies, in families
 - Association studies, in populations (Gwas)

Genotyping polymorphic markers

Microsatellite



SNPs



Single Nucleotide Polymorphism (SNP)



...5' AAT**C**GAGG 3' ...
...3' TTA**G**CTCC 5' ...

Allele 1 (allele C), frequency = p

...5' AAT**T**GAGG 3' ...
...3' TTA**A**CTCC 5' ...

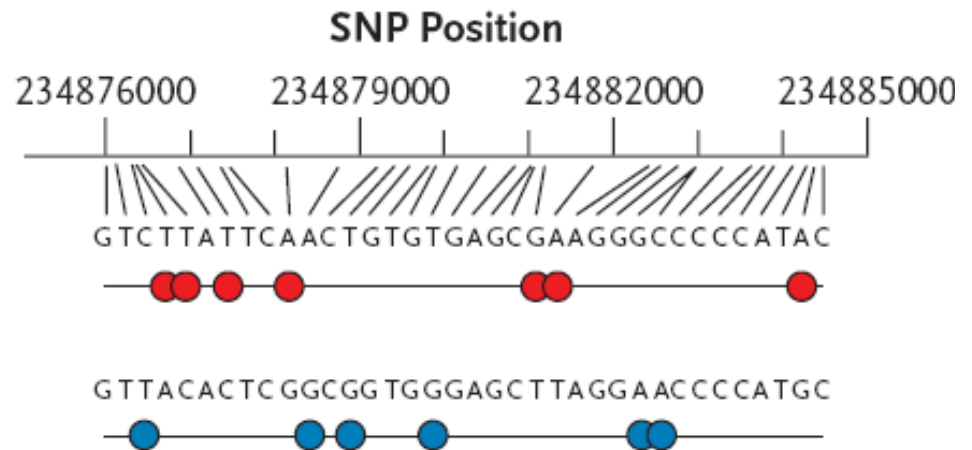
Allele 2 (allele T), frequency = q

Single Nucleotide Polymorphisms

- Ex: 10,000 bp (#2)
- Coding or non-coding
- 2 haplotypes shown

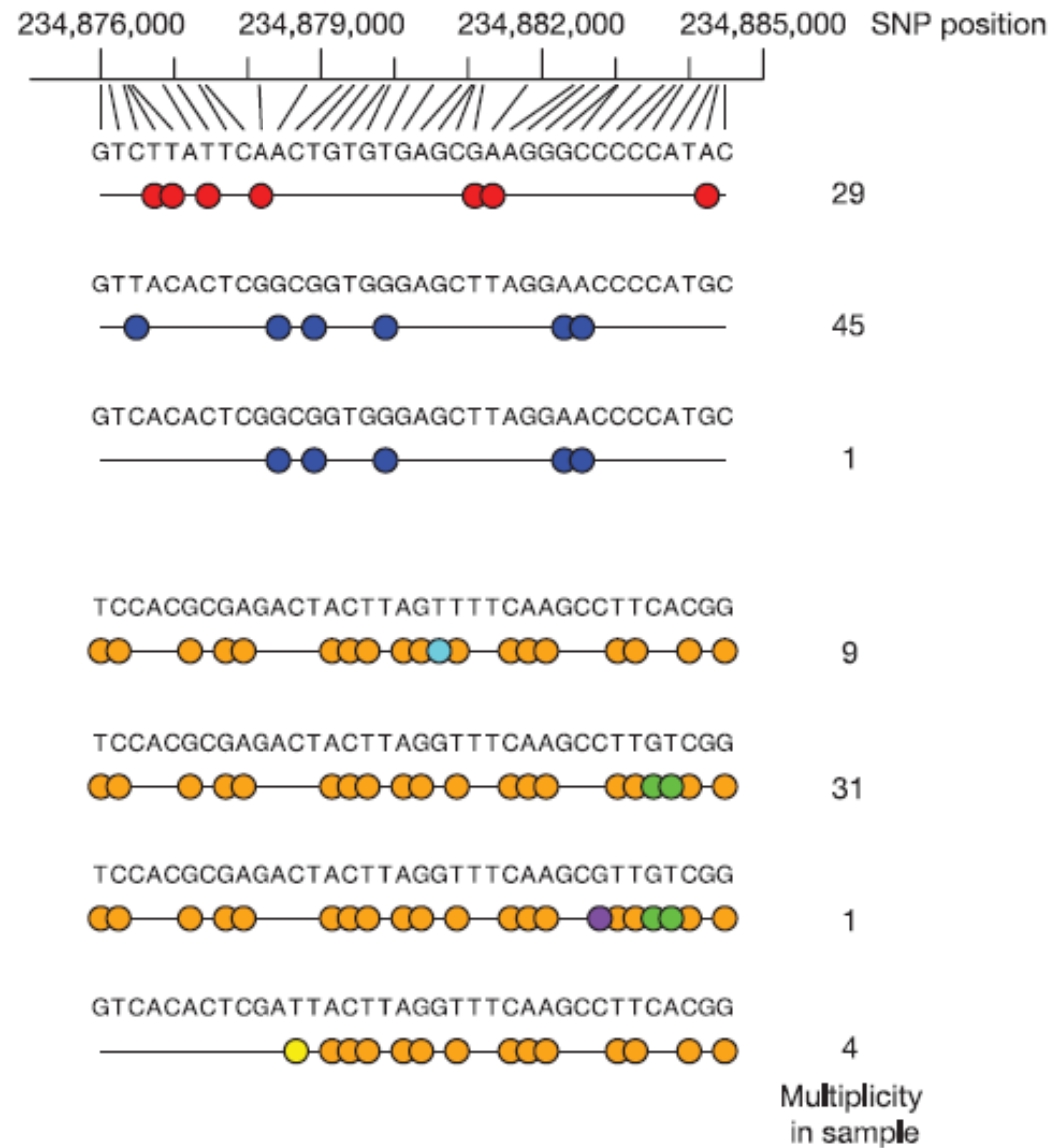
- millions of SNPs in genome

- Many CNPs (copy number polymorphisms)



Haplotype = sequence of alleles on a short piece of chromosome

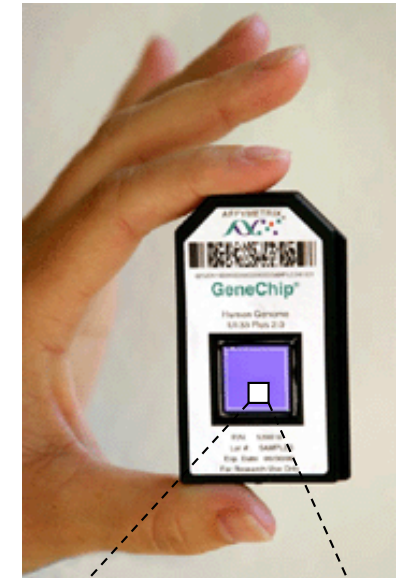
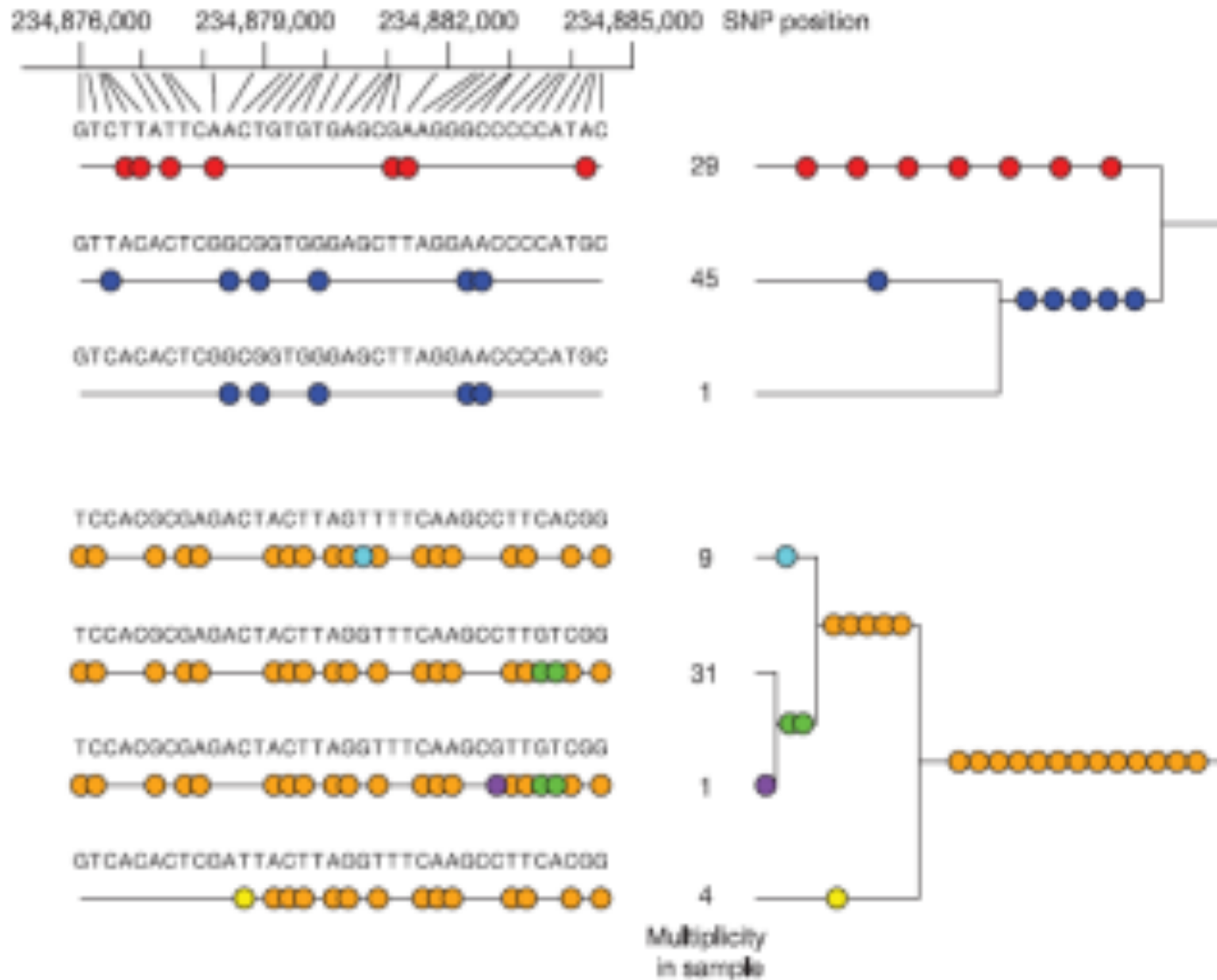
Limited number of haplotypes at 10kb loci



A haplotype map of the human genome

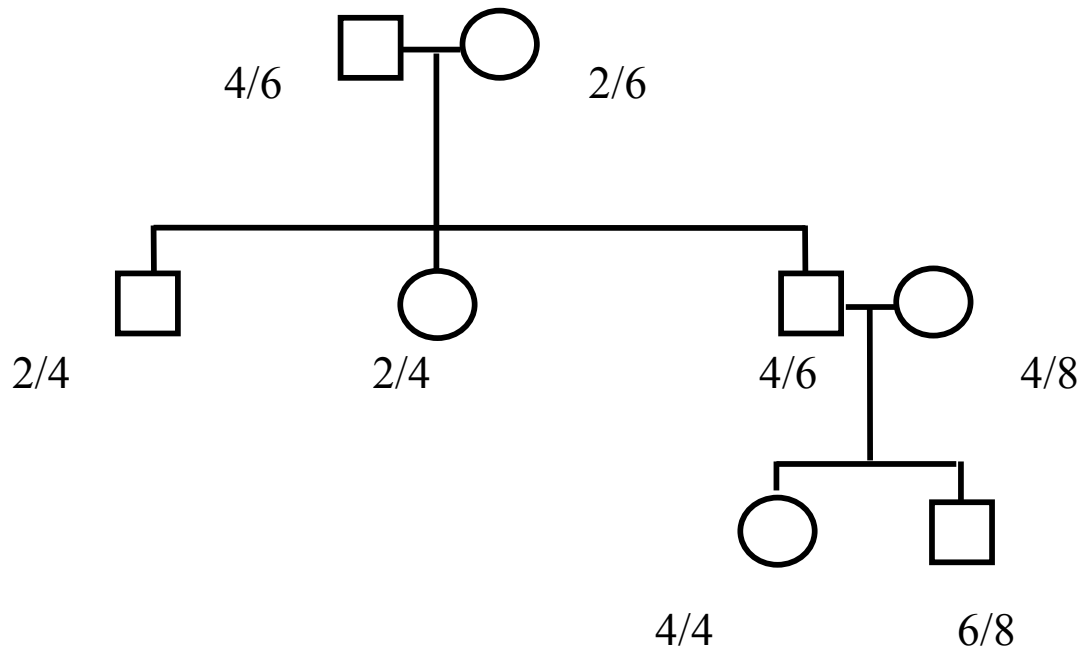
The International HapMap Consortium*

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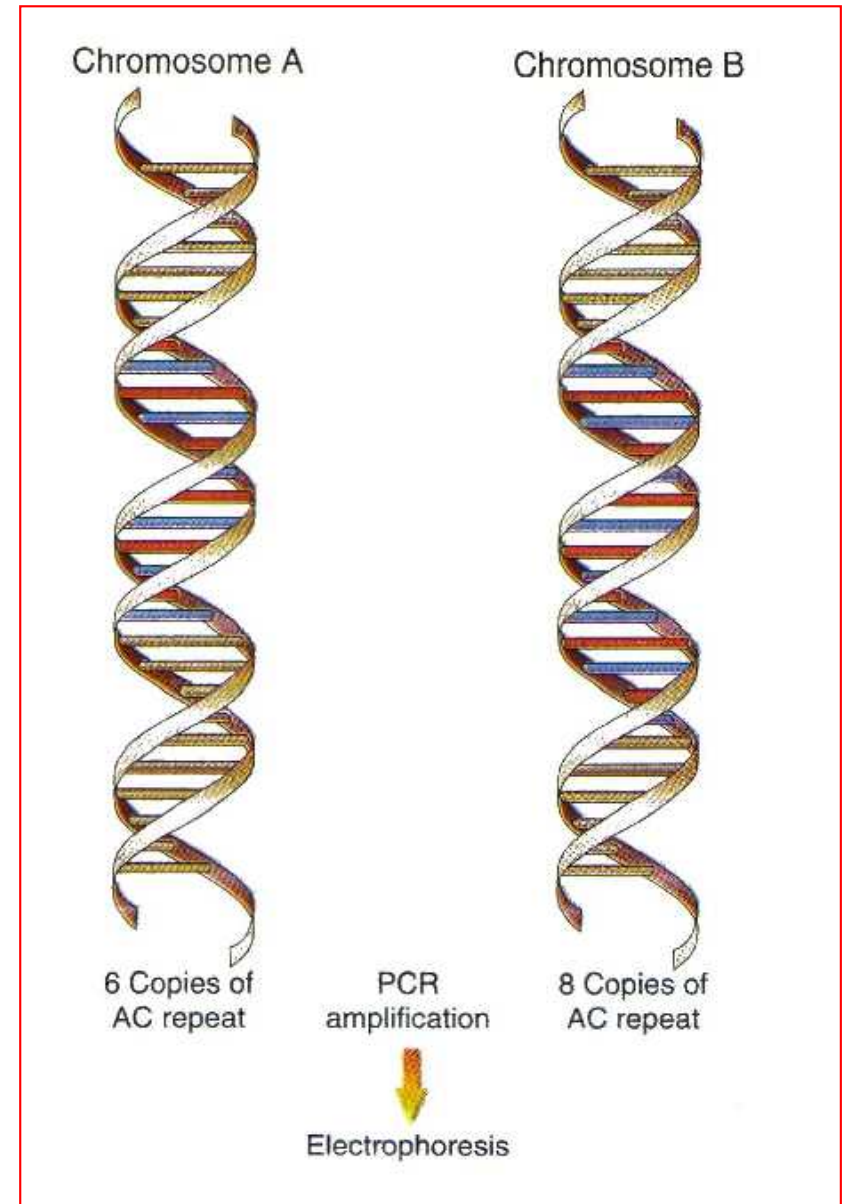


1,000,000 SNPs
DNA microarray chip

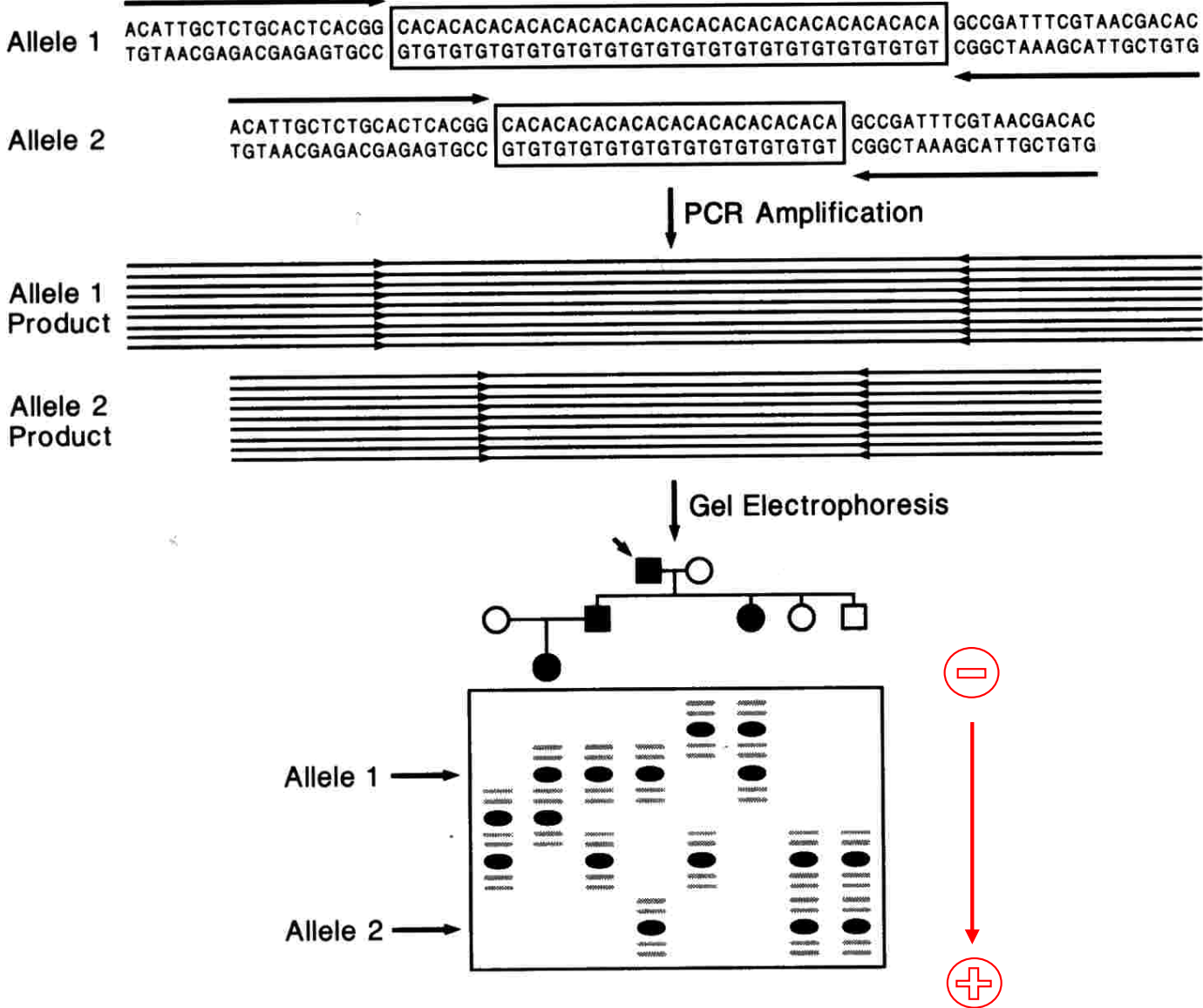
Microsatellite polymorphisms



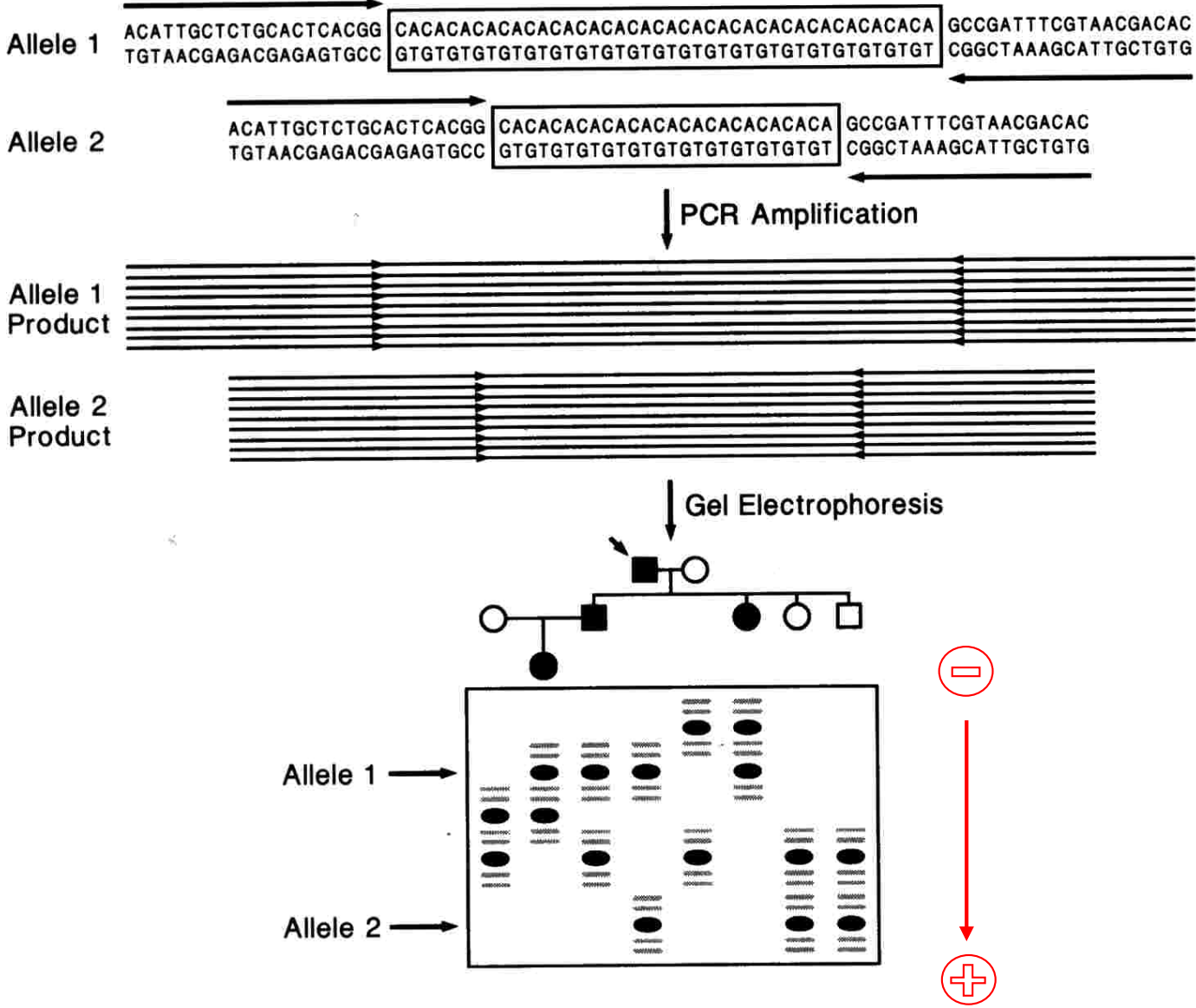
- One microsatellite locus
- Many alleles



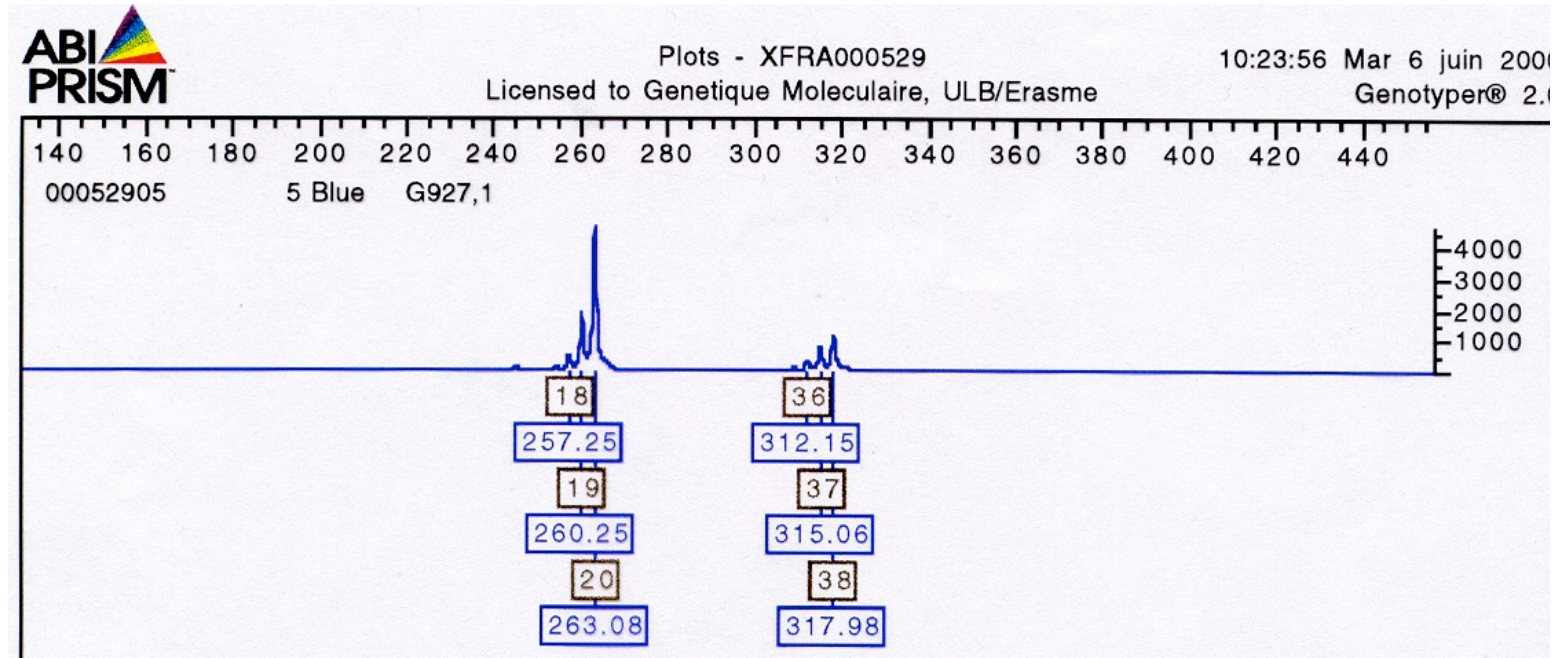
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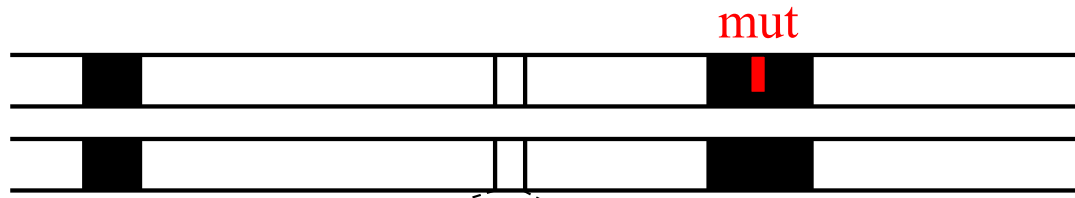
Capillary Electrophoresis, laser read-out



2 alleles of a microsatellite

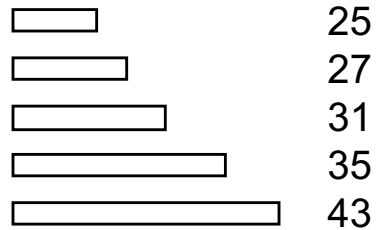


NF1 gene

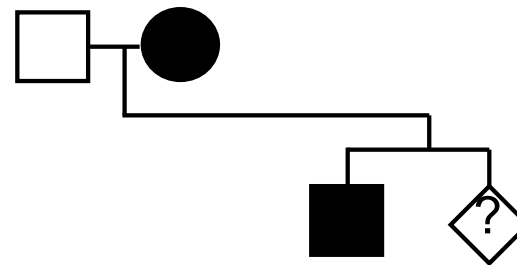


Linkage study
in family using
a microsatellite
marker

Dinucleotide
repeat (CA)_n
in intron

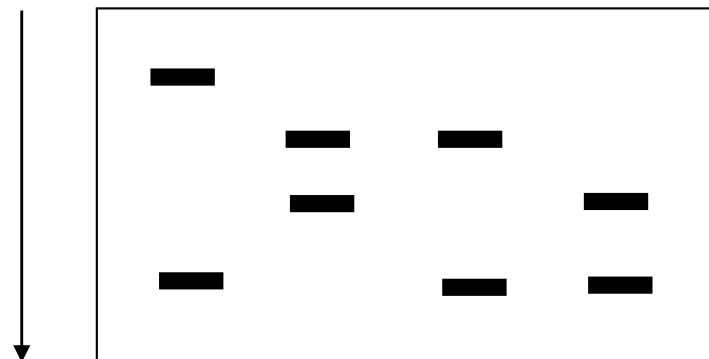


At-risk pregnancy

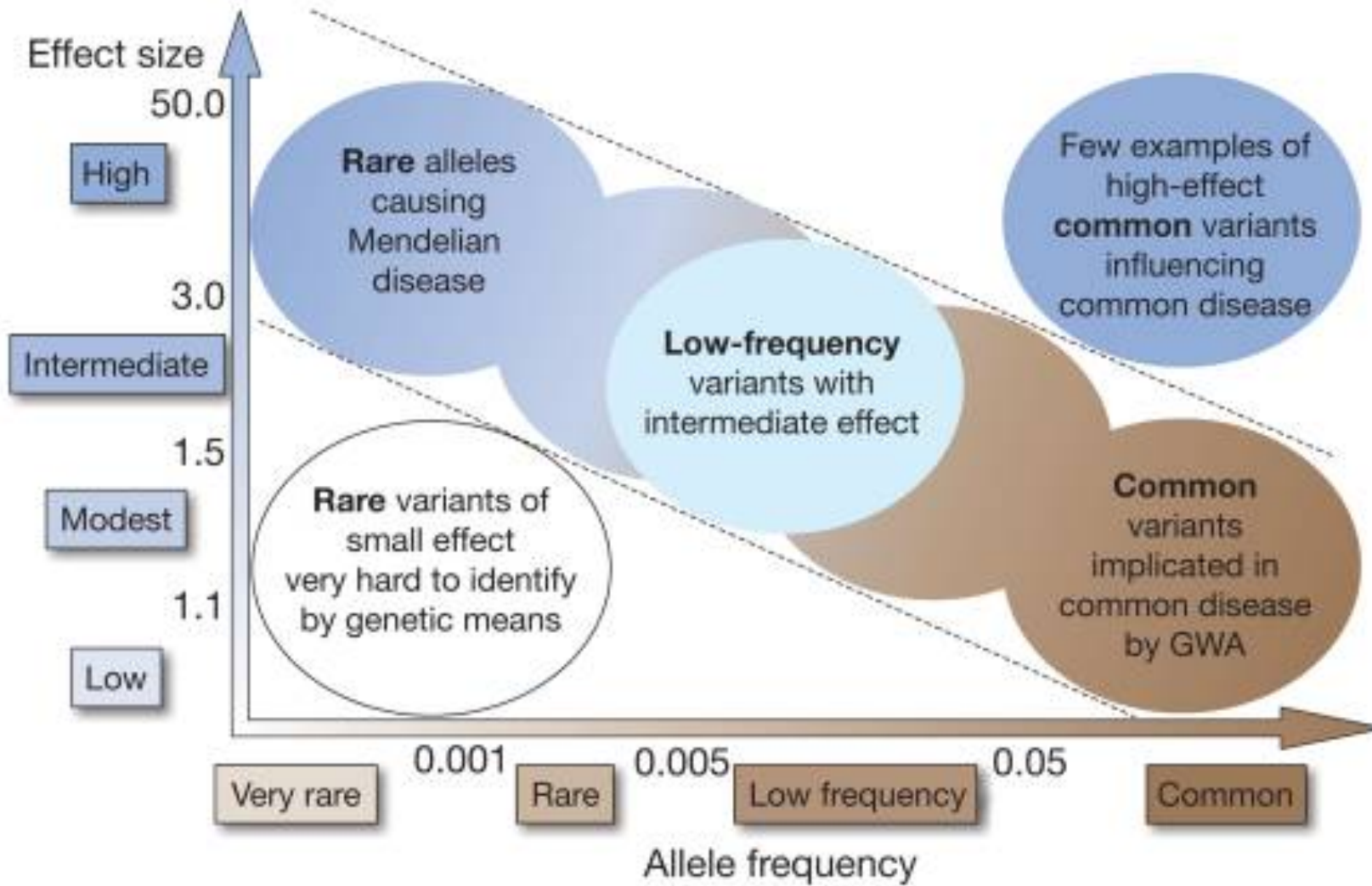


Large n

Small n



Rare genetic variants



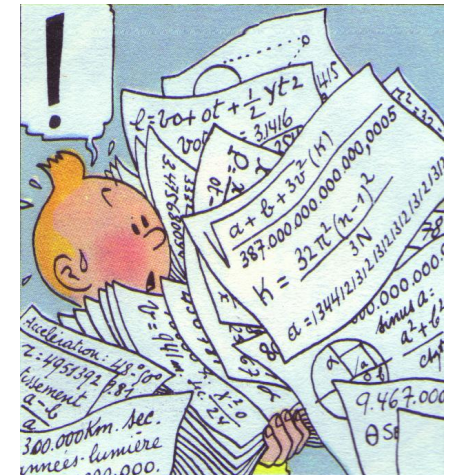
DNA sequencing goes faster than interpretation



Blood sampling
> DNA extraction



DNA sequencing



DNA sequence
analysis



Patient,
5 yrs

Unaffected sister,
3 yrs

Novel mutation
novel genetic variant

(never observed
before)

is it disease-
causing

?

N of 1

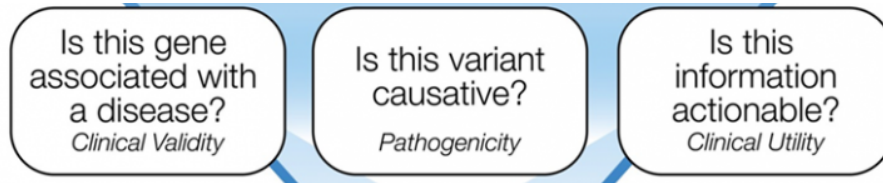


Areas of uncertainty

Interesting variant in Rotatin gene.

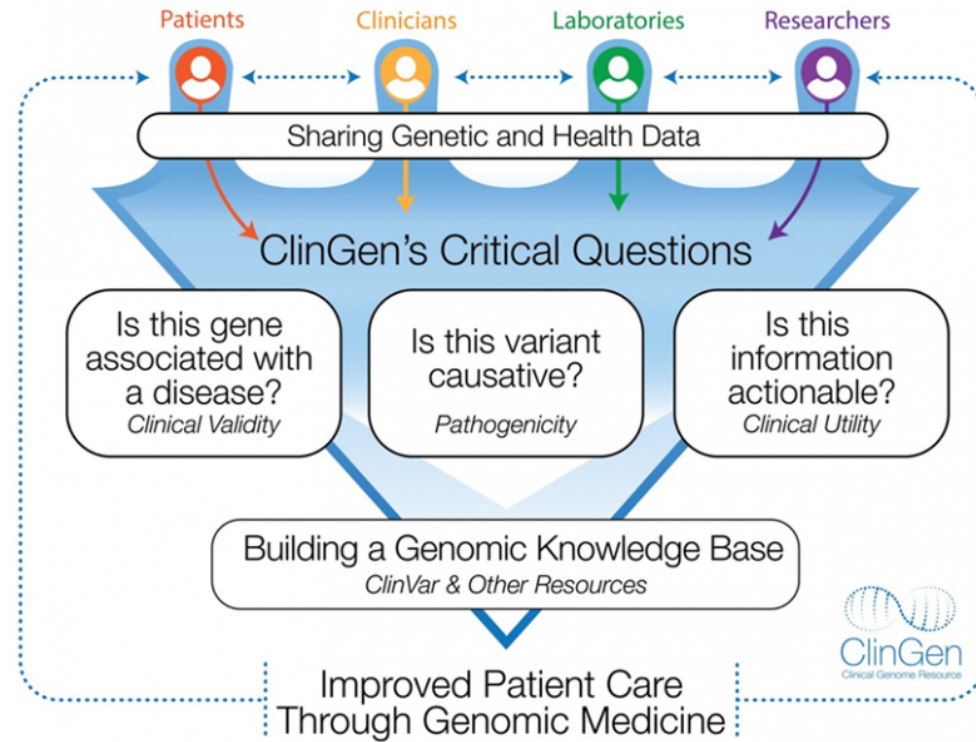
What if only one family affected?

Human population = saturation mutagenesis
population?





Areas of uncertainty



GENETIC VARIANTS

VARIANT	Frequency	Penetrance (functional effect)
Mutation	Rare	High
Polymorphism	Frequent	Low or none

Polymorphism = frequent genetic variant (MAF >.01 in population)

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VUS	Rare	? ?
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« Rare polymorphism »	Rare	Low or none

VUS = variant of uncertain significance : currently impossible to tell if high penetrance (phenotype-causing, mutation) or low/null penetrance (« rare polymorphism »)

VUS classification will require epidemiology of mutation and/or functional data (bioinformatics, machine learning approach)

SNVs and SNPs ;

CNVs and CNPs

- Genetic variant affecting one (or few) bp (**SNV**) < sequencing
 - Point mutation
(ex: point mutation in SCN1A causing Dravet syndrome)
 - Polymorphism : **SNP**
 - VUS

- Copy number variant (**CNV**) < CGH array
 - Mutation
(ex: chromosomal interstitial deletion causing Williams syndrome)
 - Polymorphism: **CNP**
 - VUS

5 classes of genetic variants from CGH array or sequencing

1. Benign (polymorphism)
2. Probably benign
3. VUS
4. Probably pathogenic
5. Pathogenic (mutation)

VUS

Areas of uncertainty :

1. Causes phenotype, or not involved ?
2. Complete or incomplete penetrance ?



VUS : how tell if pathogenic or benign ?

- Functional data
 - In silico : bioinformatics, machine learning
 - Experimental : beyond scope of clinical diagnosis !
- Population data: test many controls
 - Family
 - Local controls
 - Regional
 - National
 - Worldwide

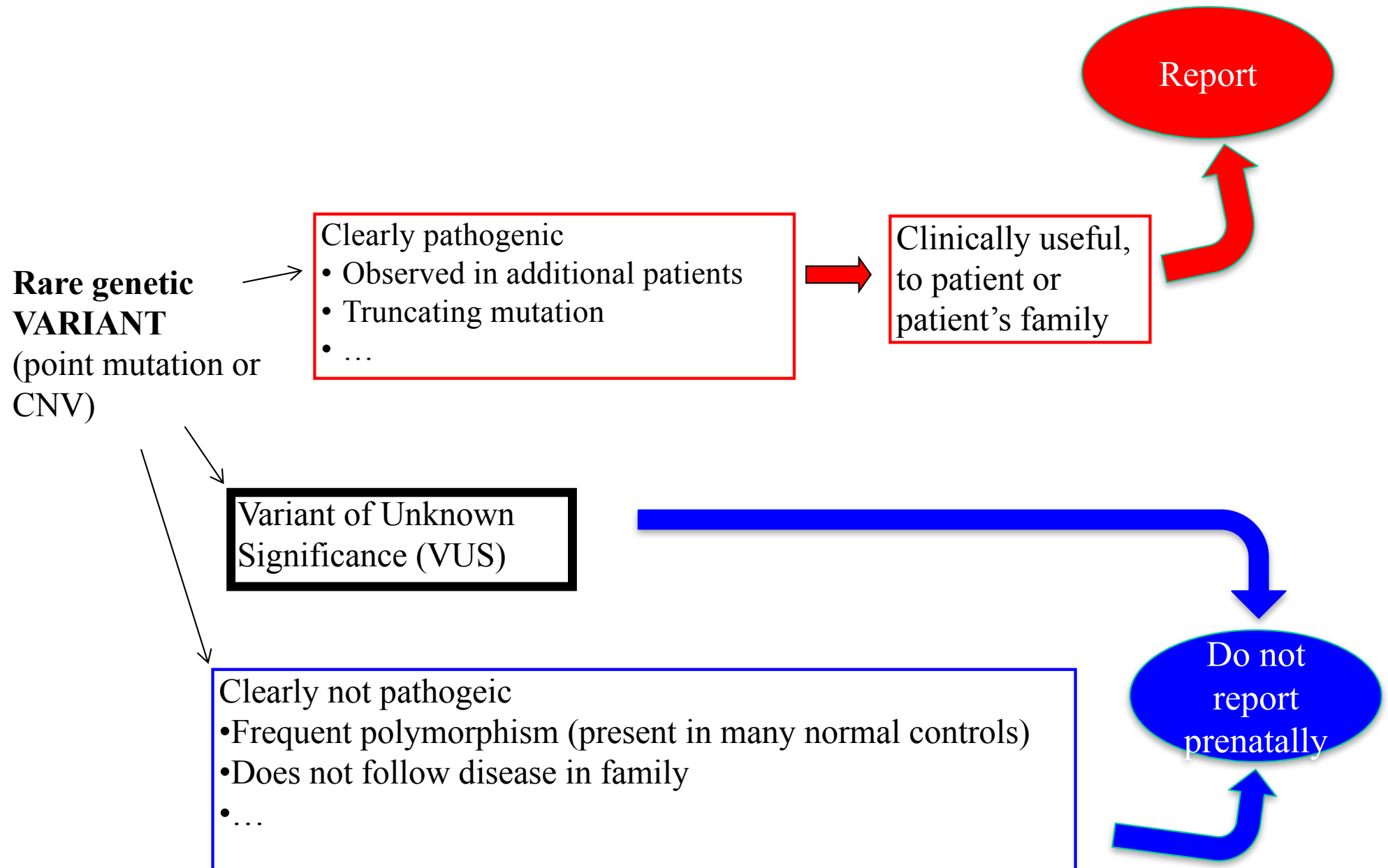


Review

Implementation of genomic arrays in prenatal diagnosis: The Belgian approach to meet the challenges

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Genetic variants (from sequencing / from CGH arrays)



Findings out of scope of initial phenotype

Genome-wide analyses will show variants beyond initial question
= incidental findings

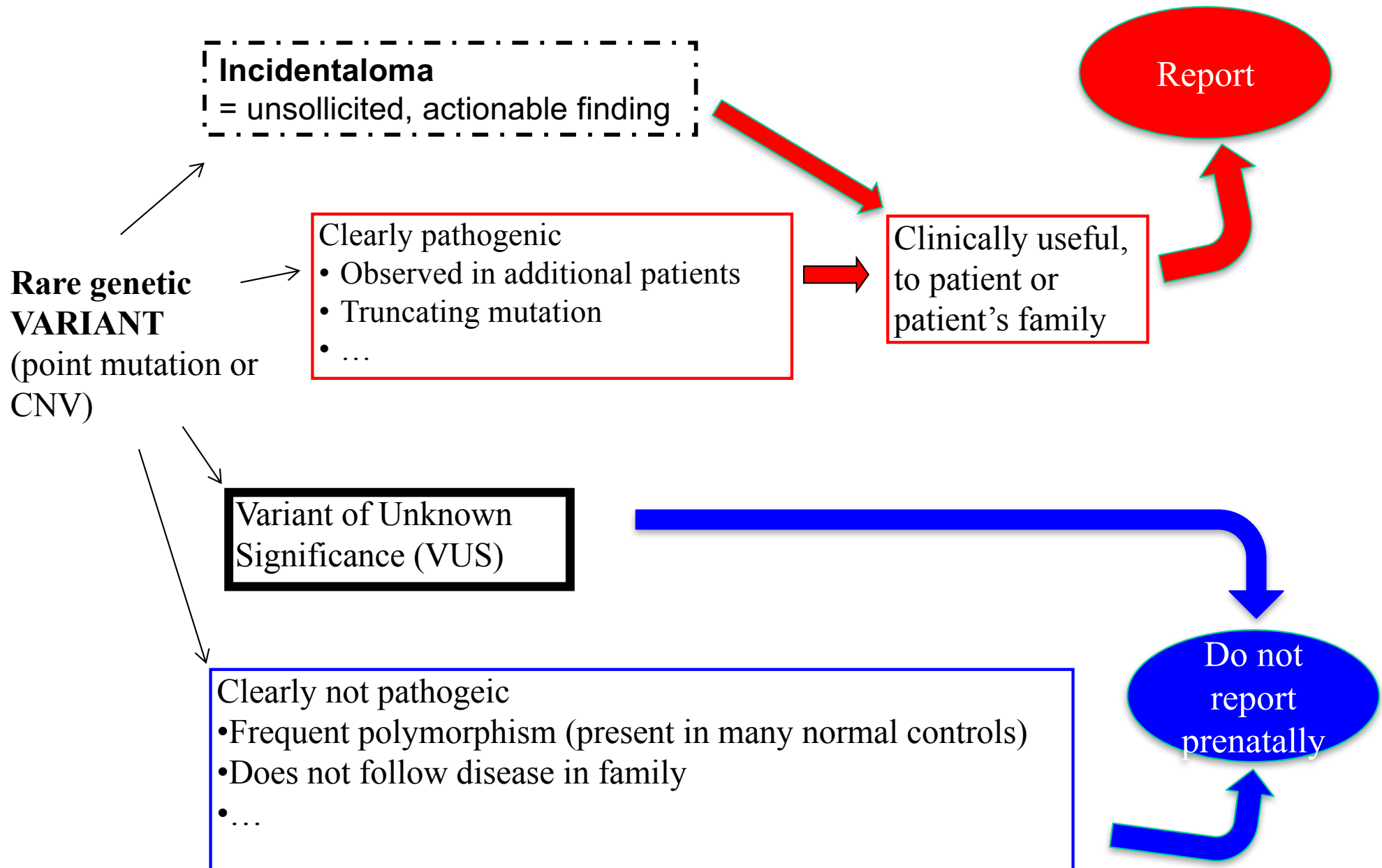
- Ex: child tested for ID => CGH array shows BRCA1 locus deletion (causes breast and ovarian cancers in adults)
- Ex: child tested for ID => exome shows ApoE4 mutation (causes marginal increase in Alzheimer risk)

=> Attitude ?

- Consider **actionable** vs non-actionable variant
- Opt-in / **opt-out** choice for patient: **pretest** genetic counseling



Genetic variants (from sequencing / from CGH arrays)



Unsollicited and solicited findings

Incidentaloma

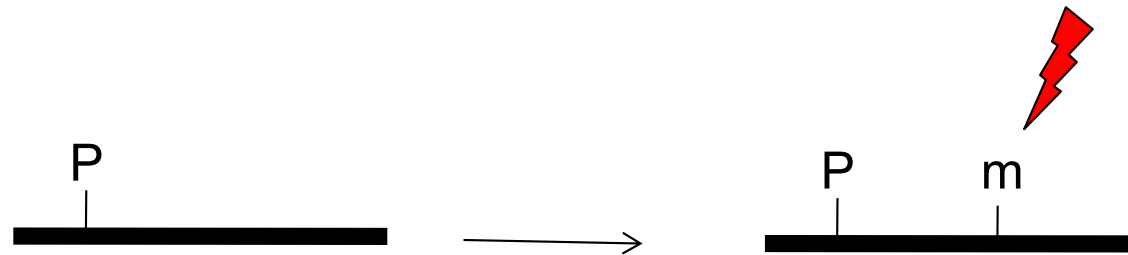
- Unsollicited finding
- Actionable or not
- If actionable, inform patient and offer genetic counseling (patient and family)
- Opt-out procedure (discuss in pre-test genetic counseling)

Secondary variant

- Actionable change
- In predefined, international consensus set of genes (~150 genes in 2015)
- In the future, obligation to complete diagnostic-grade analysis of these genes, in any exome/genome sequenced
- Opt-out choice (pre-test counseling)
- Post-test counseling, patient and family, if positive

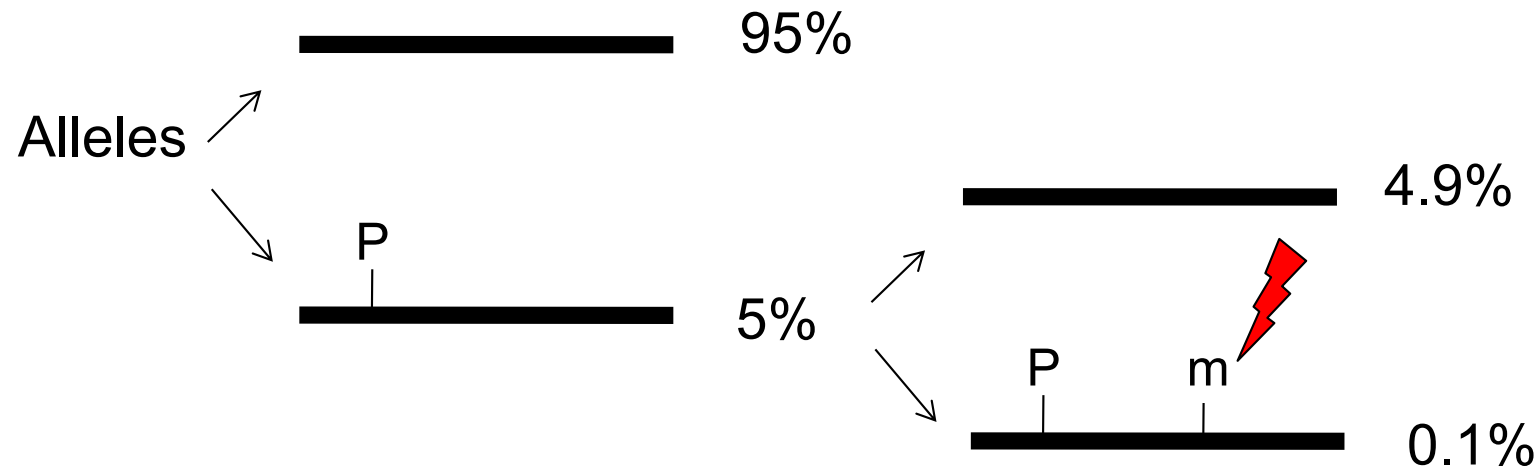
COMPLEX ALLELES

Polymorphism and mutation may coexist on same allele



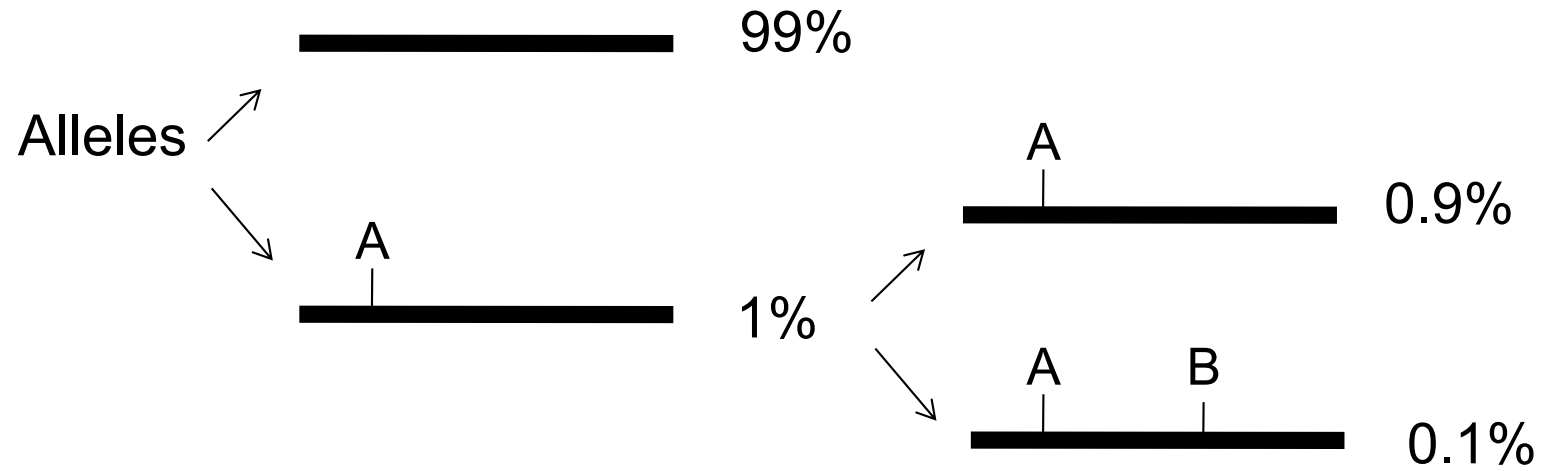
- Here, a mutation (m) appeared on an allele that already carried a polymorphism (P)

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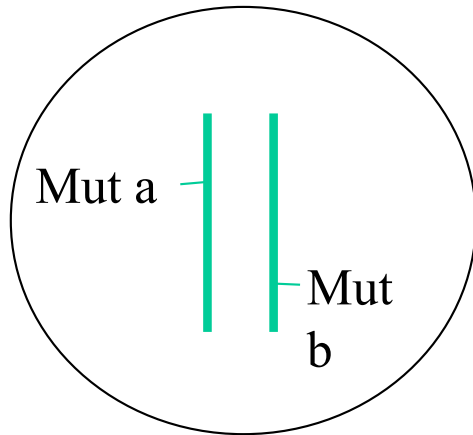


- Mutated alleles are rare : 0.1% in this example
- P is known and frequent, hence no problem in interpreting m as a possible disease causing mutation.
- If P was rare, it might be hard to tell which of the 2 rare variants, P and m, are disease-causins: « complex allele »

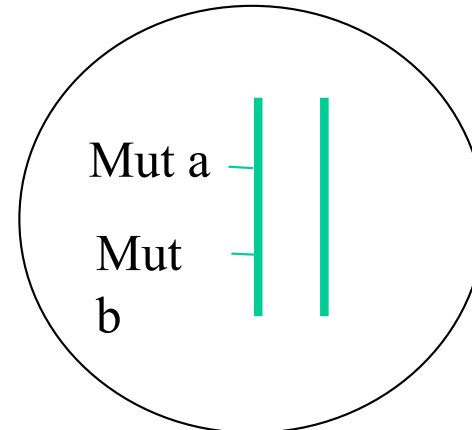
Complex alleles with 2 rare variants



2 rare variants may lie on same allele (in cis)



Mut a and Mut b
< both parents

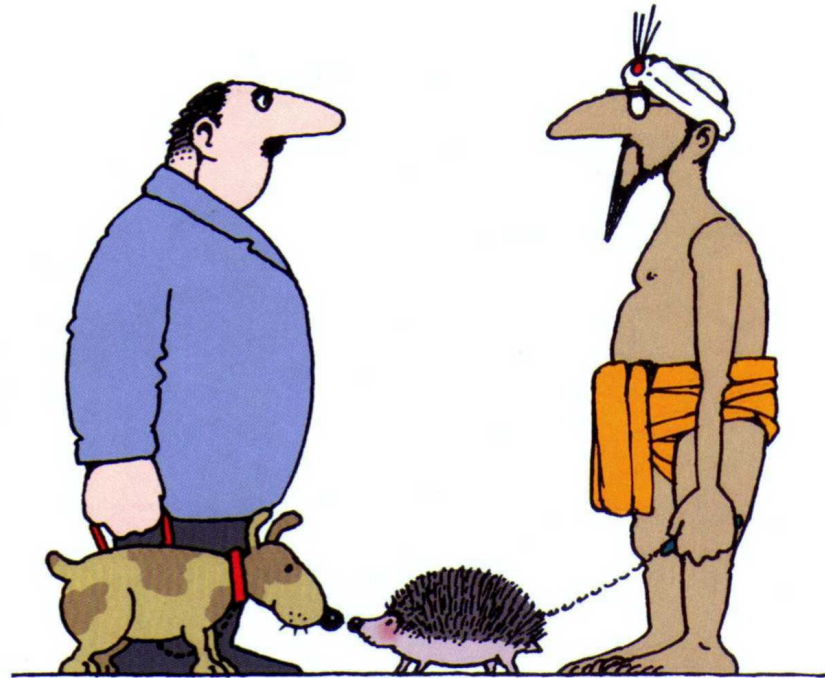


Mut a and Mut b
< same parent

- In Autosomal Recessive disease, make sure Mut a et Mut b are biallelic = in trans (left panel)
- ! If mut a et b are in cis, the mutation of 2nd allele remains unidentified (right panel) !

Ex: complex allele of the CFTR gene

GENETIC VARIATION IN POPULATIONS



Populations are very polymorphic

- Individuals are all different
- genetic (and epigenetic) polymorphism
- Reveal our differences
 - Identity
 - Family links
 - Historical, geopolitical links
 - On-going evolution, adaptive changes



Human populations

- No races, but
- Sub-populations (« ethnic groups »)
- **Common ancestors**, close or distant, between all humans



CFTR*DF508 ; HBB*sickle; ethnic groups

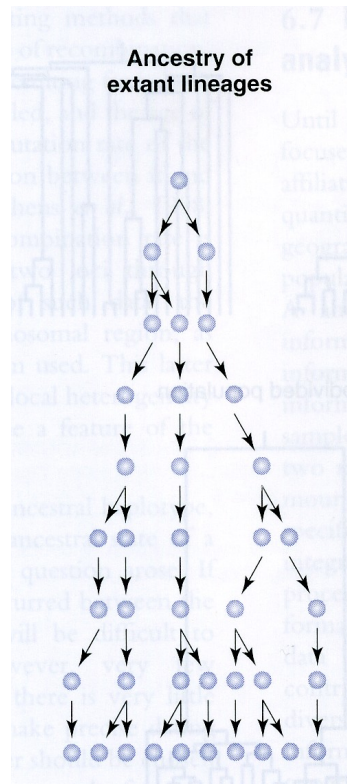
- CF more frequent in the Northern populations (3% carry DF508)
- Sickle cell more frequent in Central Africa (10% carry drepano)
- BUT : There are no races in the human species



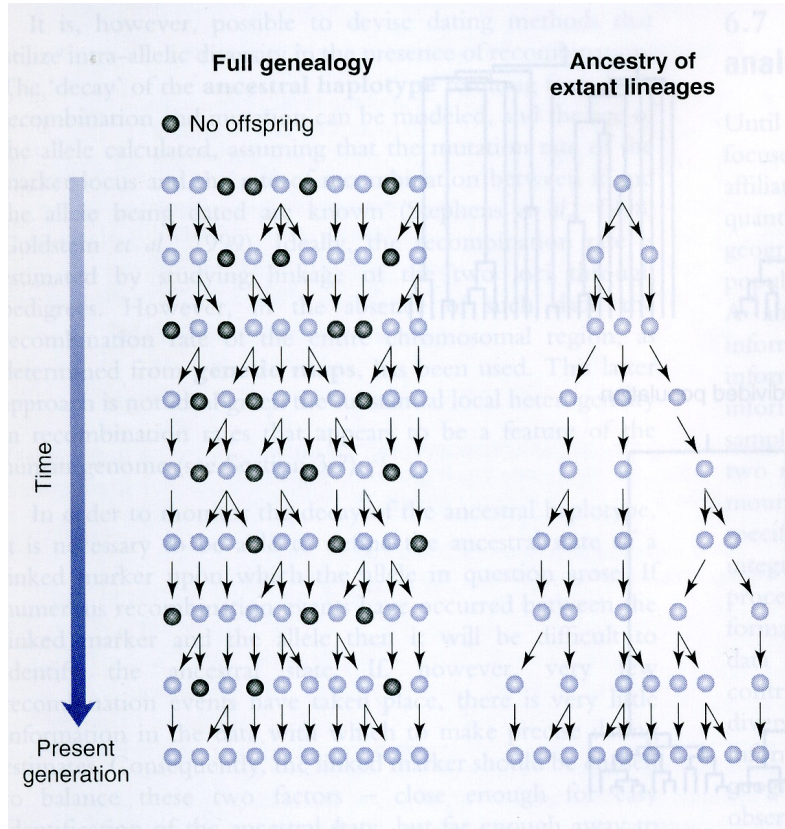
Ethnic prevalence of ancestral mutations

- Race = group of individuals defined by common biological characteristics.
No race in human species.
Human groups mix and depart constantly.
- **Ethny**: human group characterized by biological ancestry and/or by common language, religion, culture...
Ill-defined borders.

Most Recent Common Ancestor

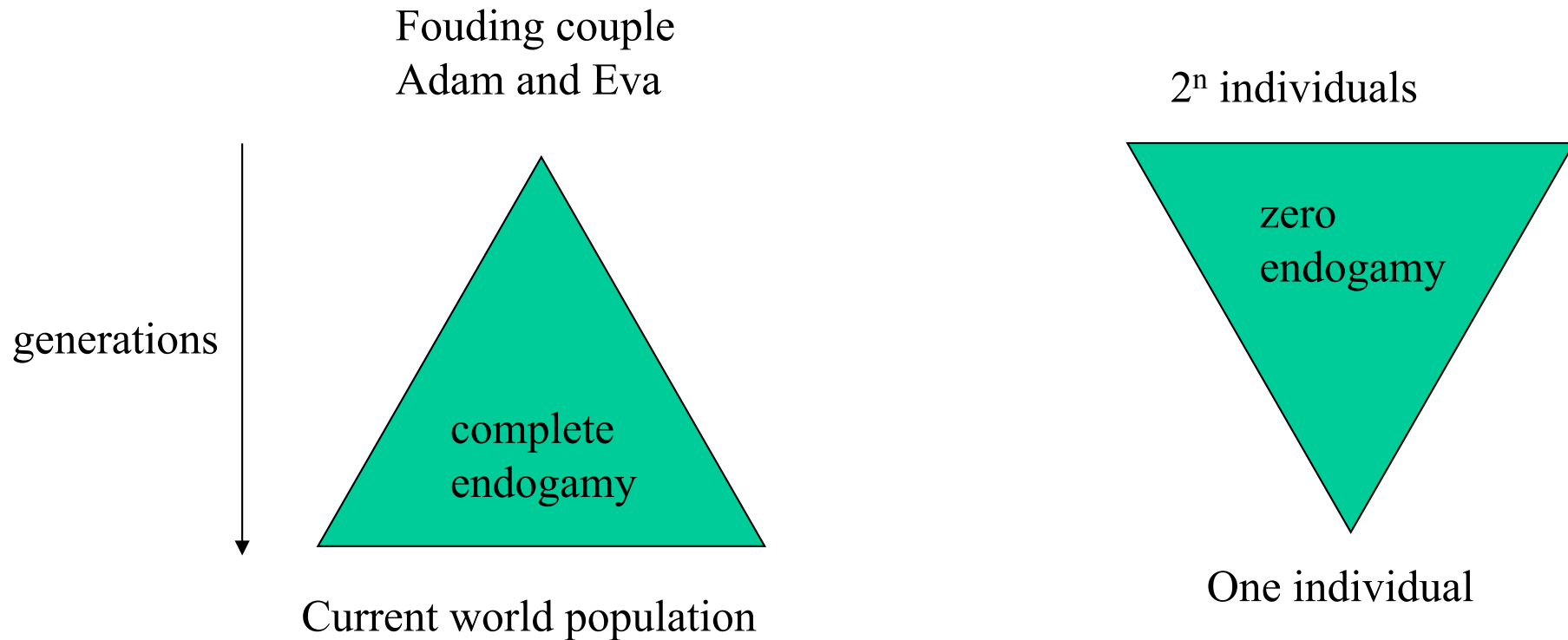


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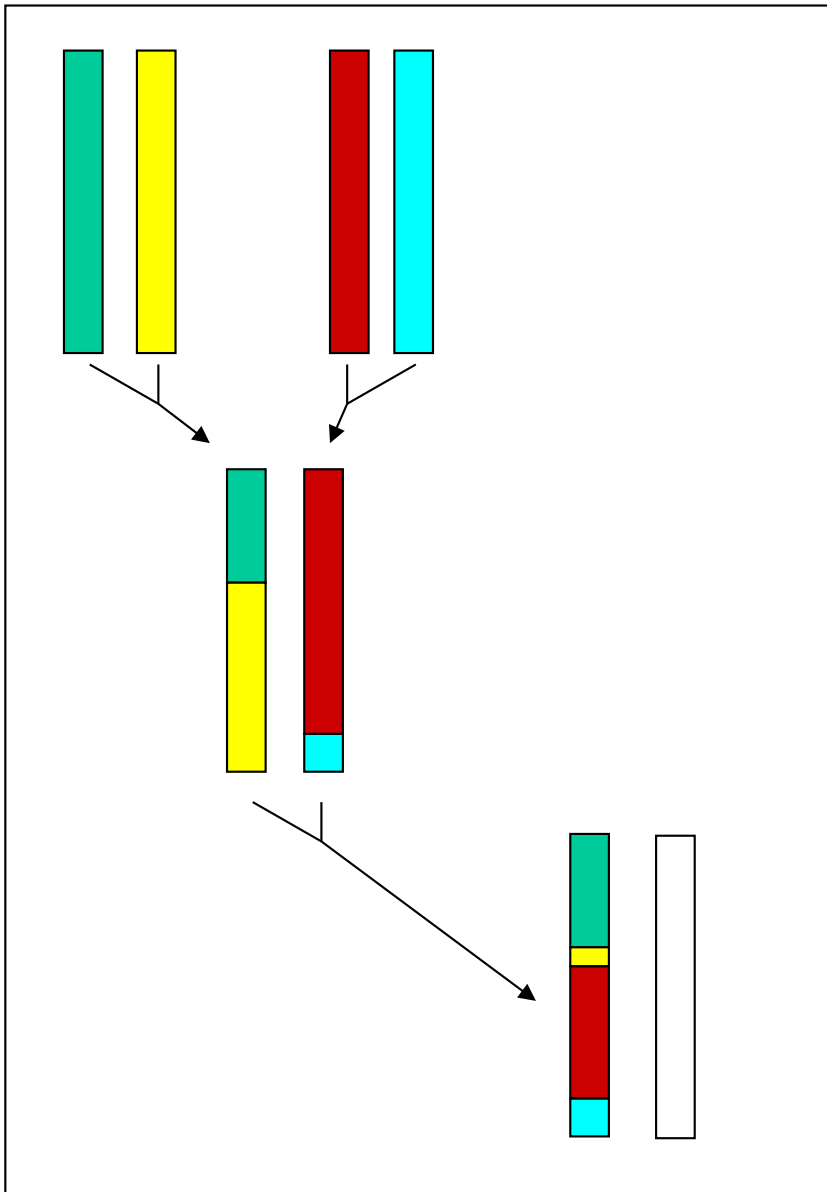
Population of constant size over generations

genealogies



- Reality = mixture of both
- In a constant-sized population, every 2 individuals are related through a paternal and a maternal MOST RECENT COMMON ANCESTOR

The origin of genetic diversity



1. **MUTATION** : diversity by change

pieces of homologous chromosomes differ

2. **MEIOSIS** : diversity by assembly (crossing-overs)

pieces are re-shuffled

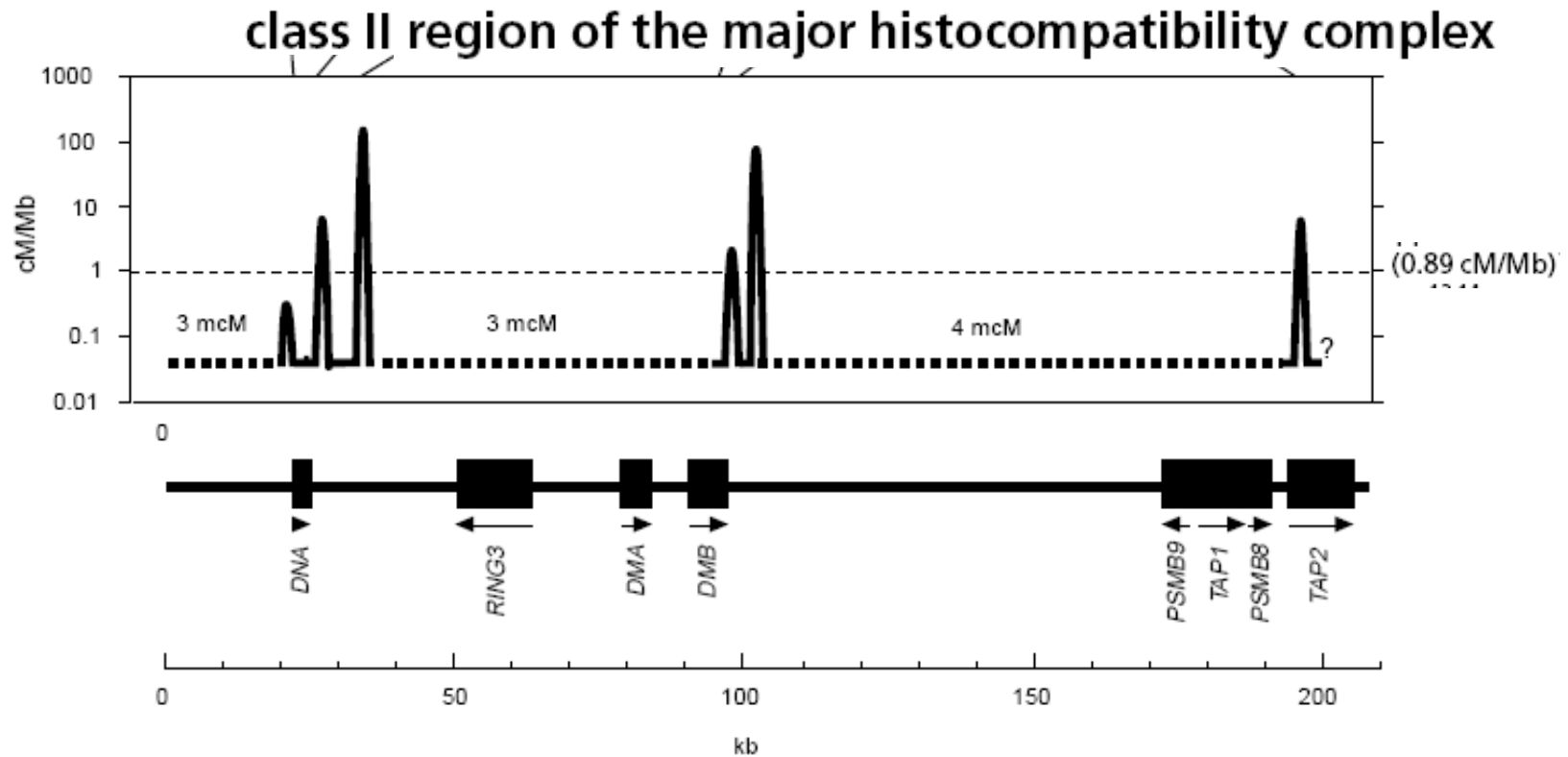
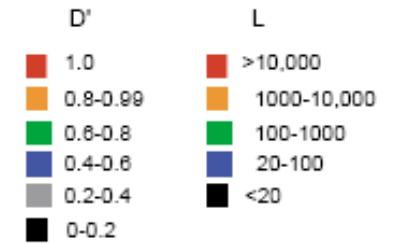
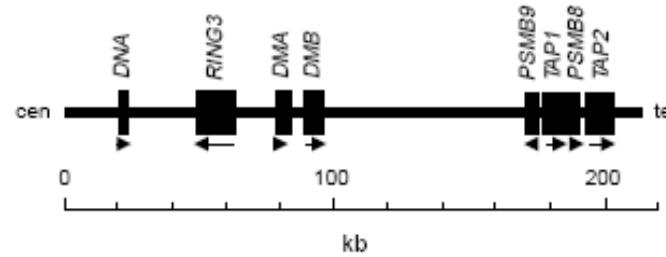
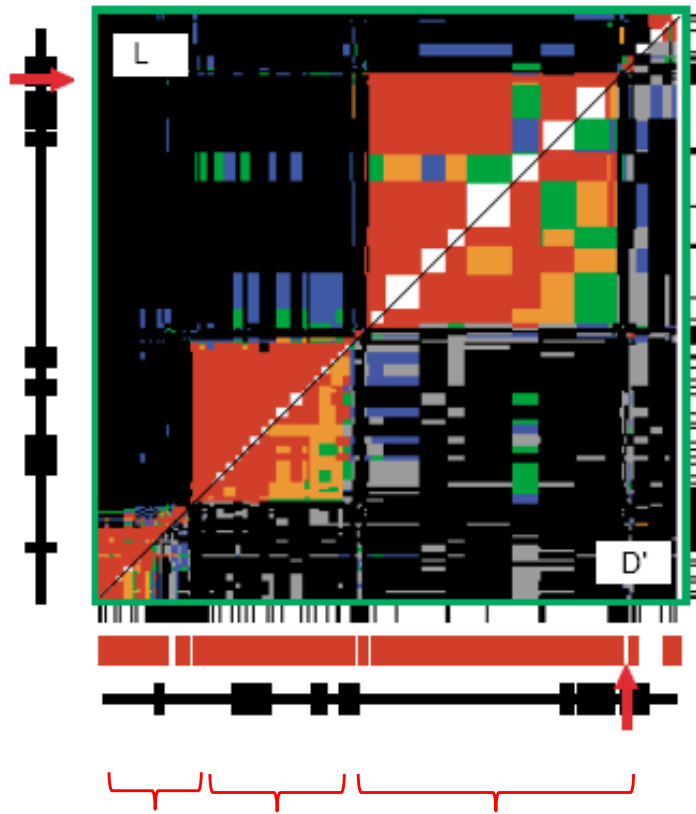


Fig. 5 Sperm crossover activity in the class II region of the MHC. The number of men tested and the total number of sperm crossovers mapped are given for each hot spot, together with approximate hot-spot center coordinate in the consensus sequence of the human MHC¹⁰. The width of each hot spot, within which 95% of crossovers occur, was determined by normal-distribution fitting (Fig. 3). The mean male linkage map distance contributed by each hot spot, plus range seen in the different men tested, was determined from the observed hot spot crossover frequency per sperm and is given in millicentimorgans (mcM, $cM \times 10^{-3}$); only the hot spot *DNA 2* shows significant variation in activity between tested men. Inter-hot spot distances were estimated from data in Fig. 4. The background recombination rate of 0.04 cM/Mb is very approximate and should be treated with caution. The mean rate of male meiotic recombination in the human genome (0.89 cM/Mb)¹⁶ is shown as a thin dashed line. *TAP2* and minisatellite MS32 estimates were from data published elsewhere^{12,14}.

Jeffreys et al. nature genetics • volume 29 • october 2001

Intensely punctate meiotic recombination In MHC

Haplotype blocks

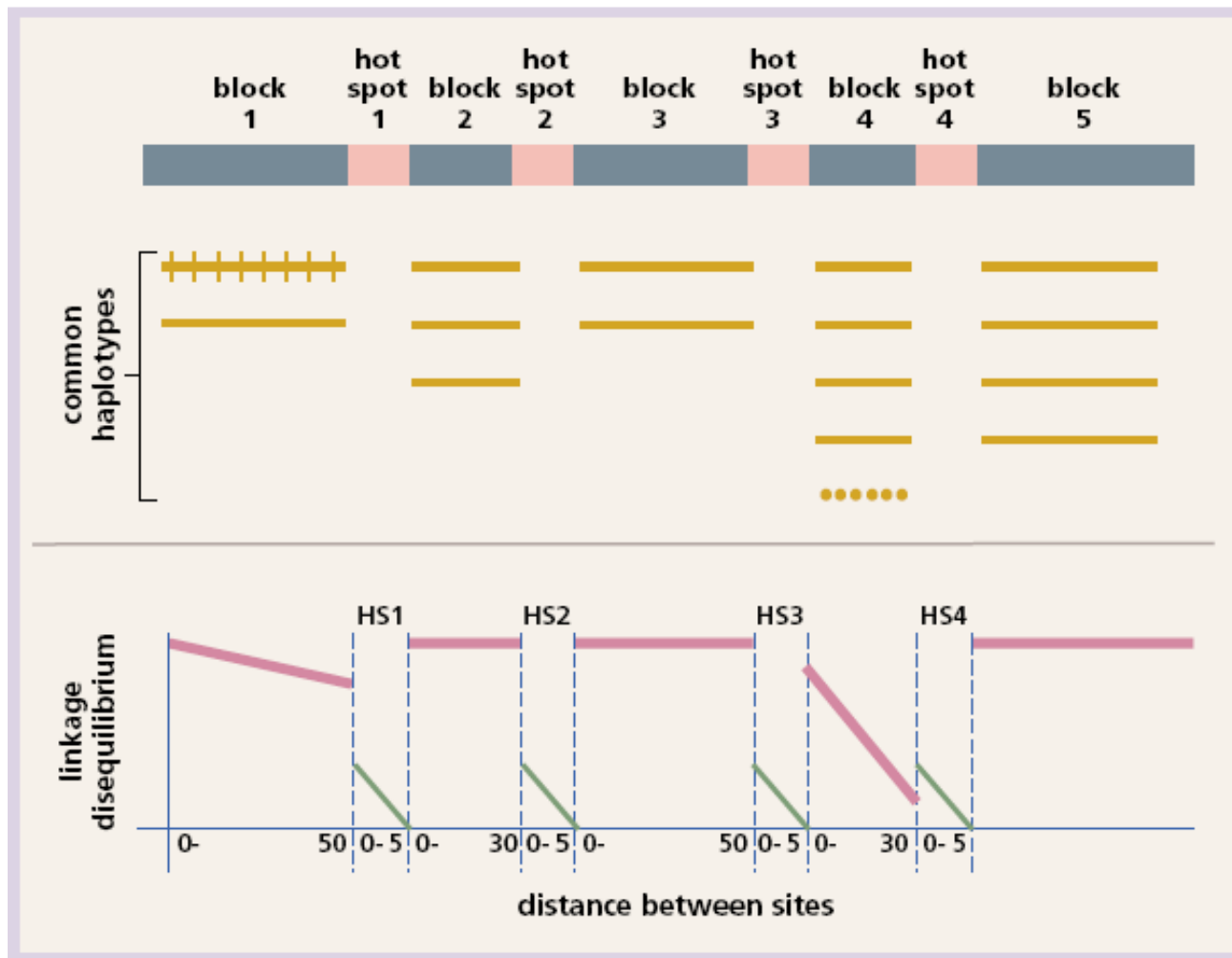


D' and L are measures of LD

Crossover hotspot in *TAP2* gene (known)

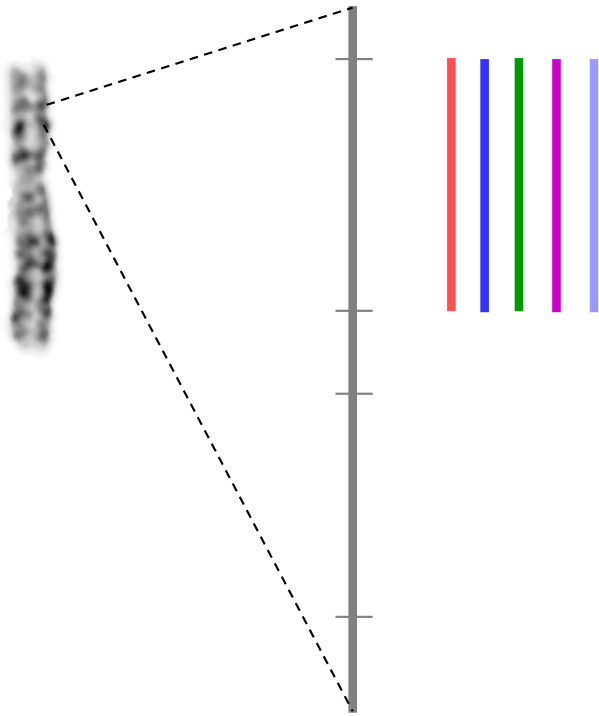
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Haplotype block \Leftrightarrow absolute LD



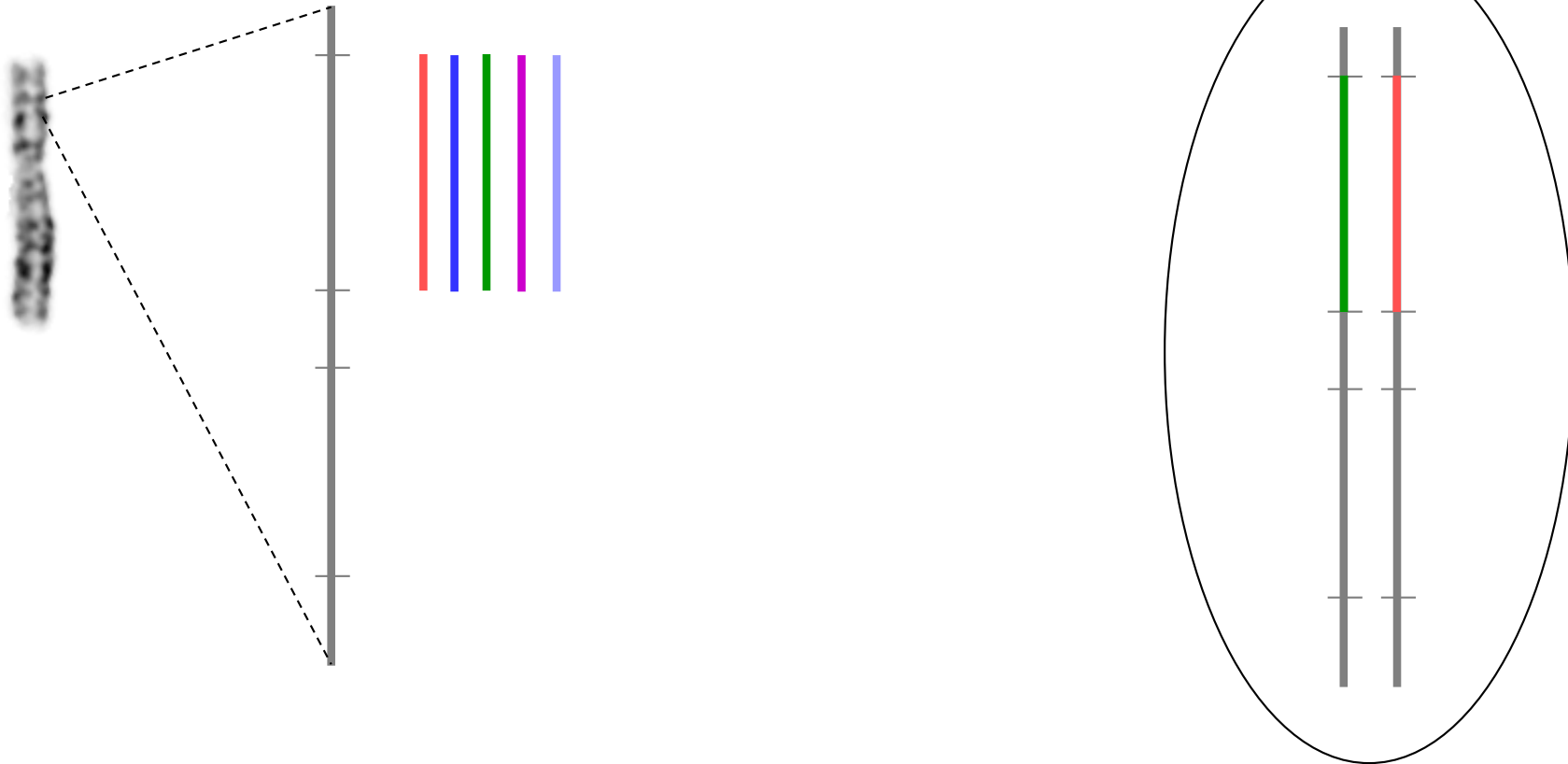
The lowdown on LD. Idealized representation of block-like structure of linkage disequilibrium, with regions of low haplotype diversity separated by recombinational hot spots. Lines below the blocks represent examples of the number of common haplotypes that might be present for such blocks. SNPs distinguishing the two common haplotypes in block 1 are represented by short vertical lines. The graphs plot (idealized) LD as a function of distance, averaged across pairs of sites, either for sites within a given block or within a hot spot. The plots show that within a block LD decays only gradually with distance, or not at all. Within hot-spot areas, however, LD falls away much more rapidly with distance. If no LD-generating event, such as a bottleneck, has recently occurred in the population, then there may have been enough recombination across the hot spots that the haplotypes in adjacent blocks are randomly associated. Similarly, with sufficient time, or in blocks with higher within-block recombination rates, LD may be substantially reduced for distant sites within a block, as represented here in block 4. Note that for block 1, any of the SNPs indicated would be sufficient to represent the majority of the haplotypic variation within this block. If haplotype 1 were shown to increase the risk of a condition relative to haplotype 2, however, it would be impossible to determine from association data which of the SNPs distinguishing haplotypes 1 and 2 was the biological cause of the increased risk.

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- Genes may overlap blocks



Mongolia

MN blood group



Mongolia

Population	MM	MN	NN
Eskimo	0.835	0.156	0.009
Egyptian	0.278	0.489	0.233
Chinese	0.332	0.486	0.182
Australian aborigine	0.024	0.304	0.672

Hardy – Weinberg law

- The frequency of the three genotypes AA, Aa and aa is given by the terms of the binomial expansion of $(p+q)^2$
= $p^2 + 2pq + q^2$
- And does not change over generations
- Under certain conditions :
 - Random matings
 - No mutation
 - No selection
 - No drift
 - No migration in or out
 - Equal generations
 - Stable population

Hardy Weinberg

Consider dimorphic locus : 2 alleles, A or a

Population, $N = 10000$

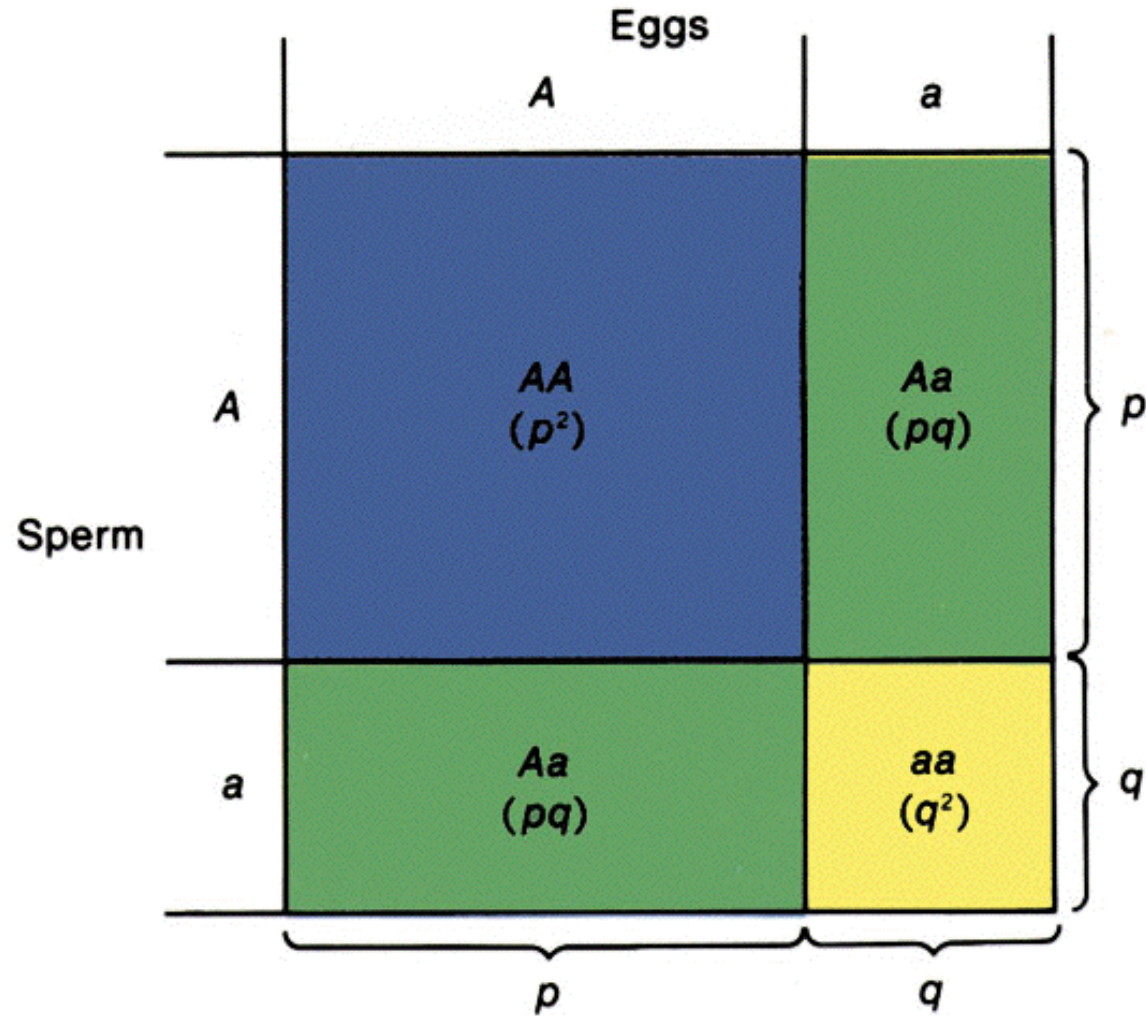
- 8000 individuals are AA
- 2000 individuals are aa

=> is this population in HW equilibrium?

! Phenotypes are not considered here !

A is not dominant and a is not recessive

Punnett square for population (vs family)



Equilibrium reached in 1 generation

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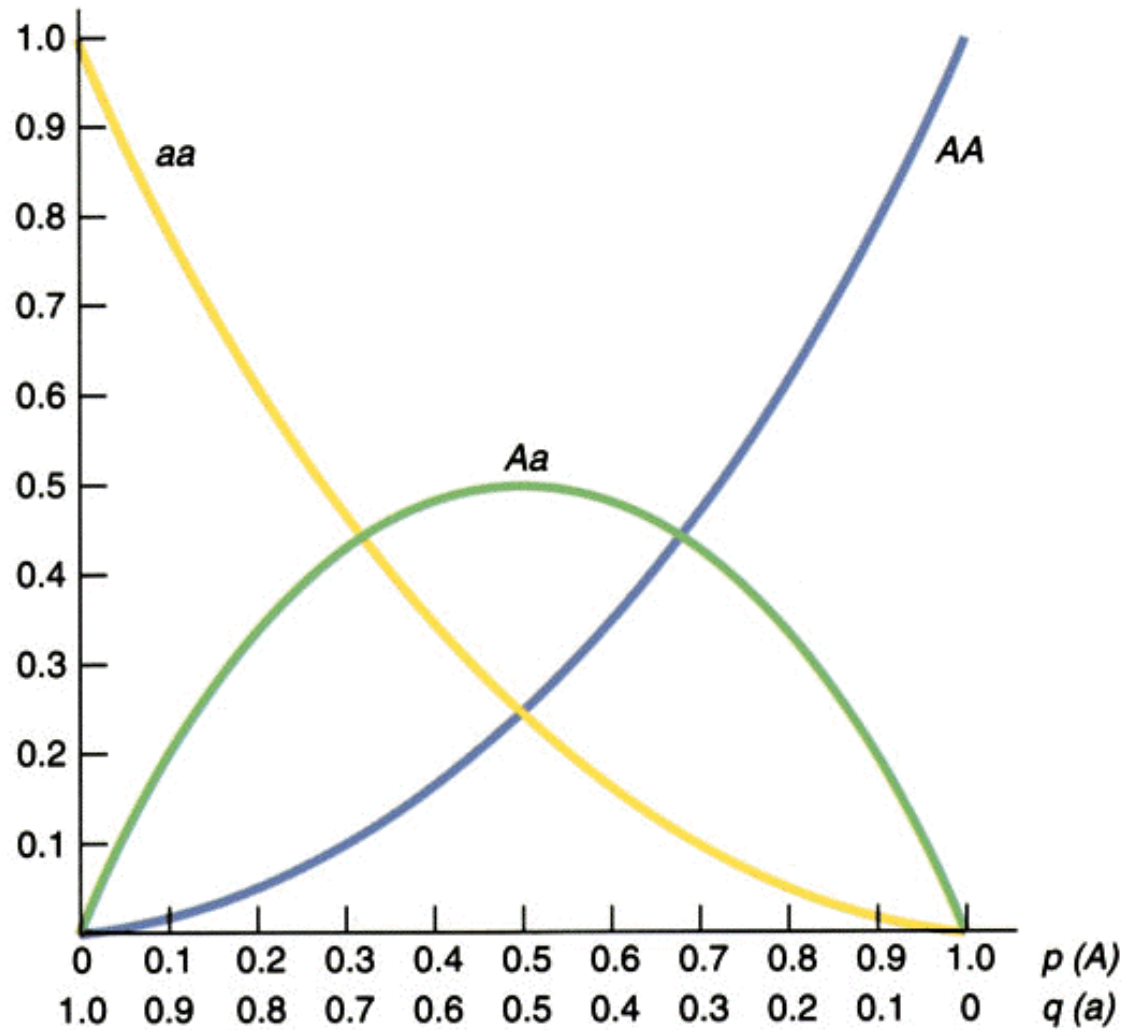
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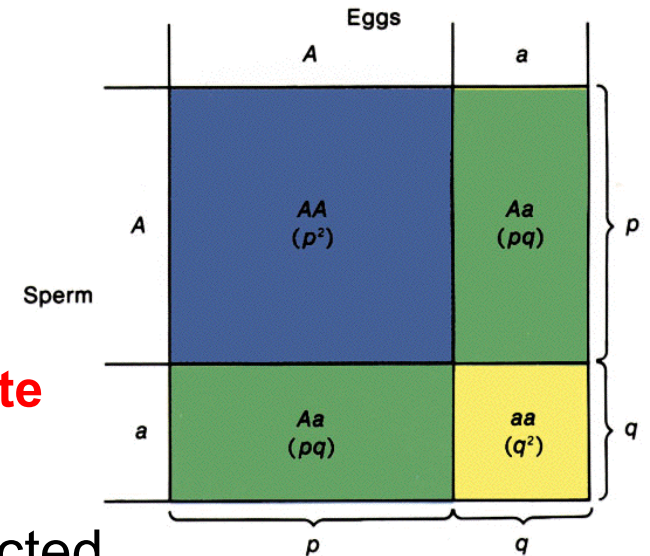
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Allele proportions at equilibrium



HWE

- ✓ Measure frequency of **ALLELES**
 - **2 alleles per homozygote + 1 per heterozygote**
- ✓ Knowing allele frequencies, compute the expected frequencies of the **GENOTYPES**
 - **$p^2 + 2pq + q^2$**
- ✓ Check if observed frequencies of genotypes match the expected frequencies
 - If yes, alleles are at HW equilibrium
 - If not => find why they aren't



CCR5 alleles in one population

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$$\Rightarrow 1428 / 1576 = 0.906$$

$$\Rightarrow 148 / 1576 = 0.094$$

Are the genotypes in Hardy – Weinberg equilibrium?

$$.906^2 = .821 ; .094^2 = 0.009 ; 2 \times .906 \times .094 = 170 \text{ yes}$$

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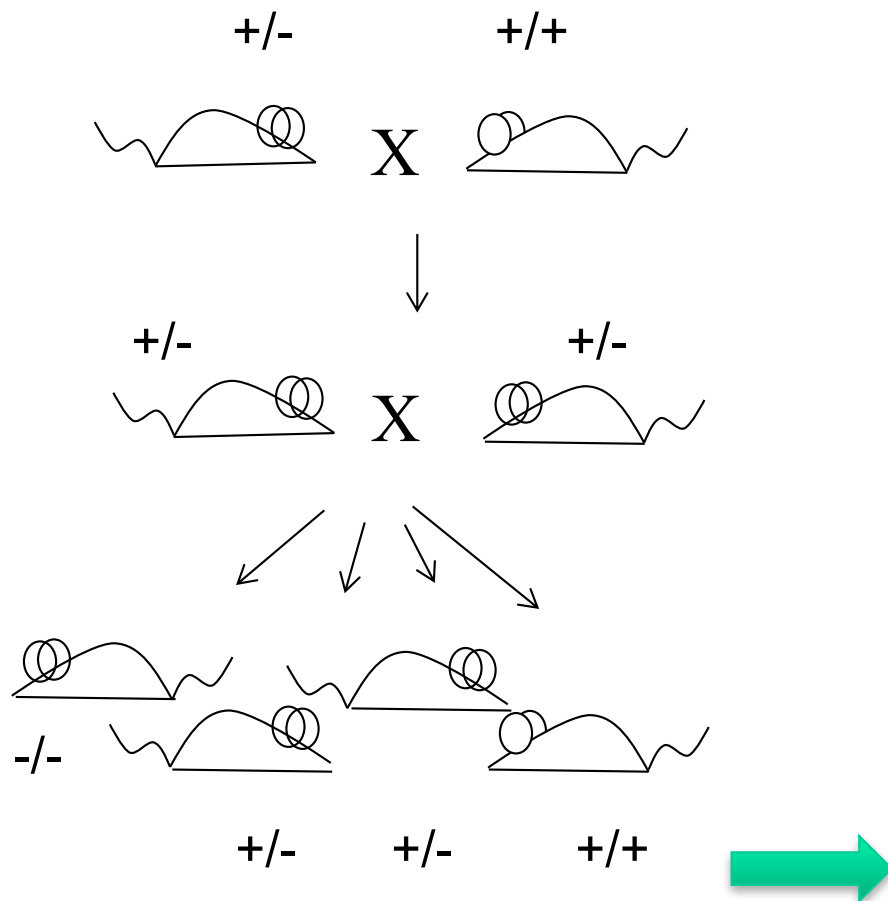
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(seems almost too exactly right to be true!!)

You make a strain of KO mice for a transcription factor and count the number of homozygotes and heterozygotes in F2

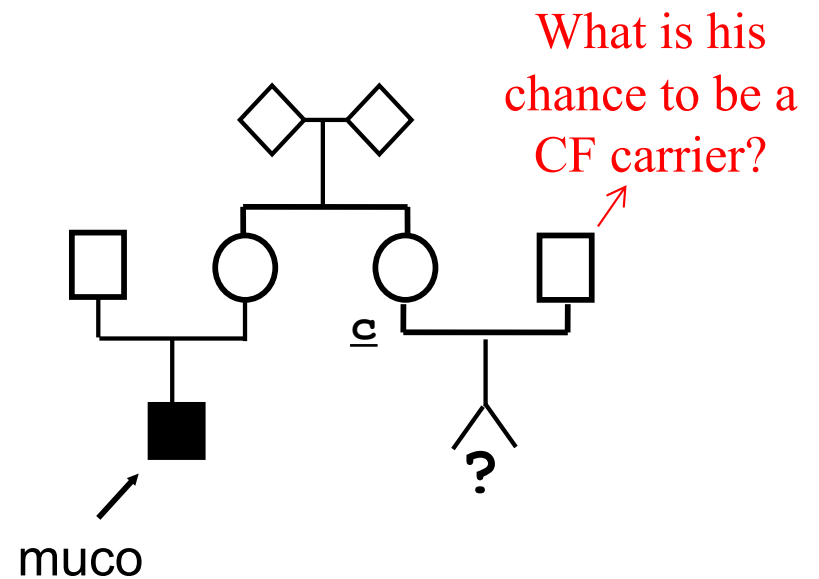
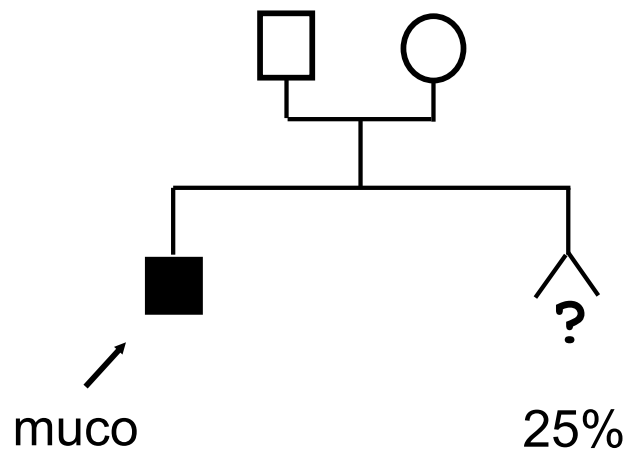


The observed distribution is not expected, a load of -/- homozygotes are missing => suggests embryonic lethality in homozygous -/- KO.

+/+	+/-	-/-
32%	64%	3%

Cystic fibrosis affects 1 newborn in 2500

=> what is the risk of CF in the 2 following future children?



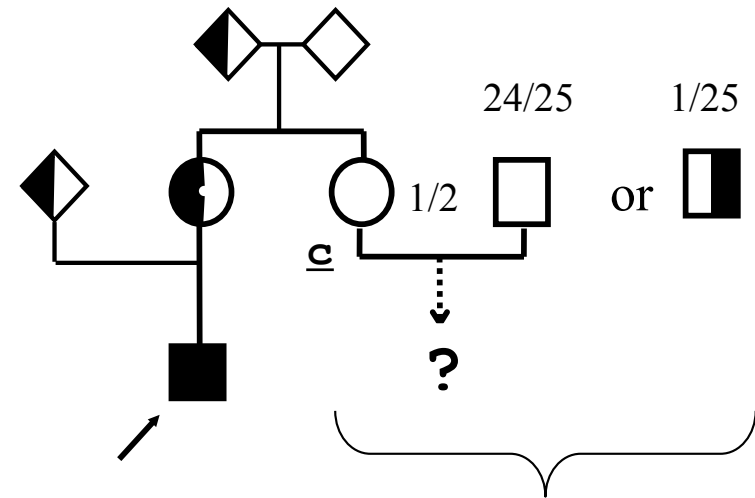
HW in AR disease: eg CF

- CF (aa) 1/2,500
- $q^2 = 1/2,500$
- $q=0.02$, $p=.98$
- $htz (Aa) = 2pq = 0.04 = 1/25$

Check: 4% carriers

=> $1/25 \times 1/25 \times 1/4$ affected
= 1/2,500 affected newborns

(Selection acts on very few
individuals (1/2,500)
=> discard)



Offspring risk
(a priori) = 1/200

HW in AR disease: eg PKU

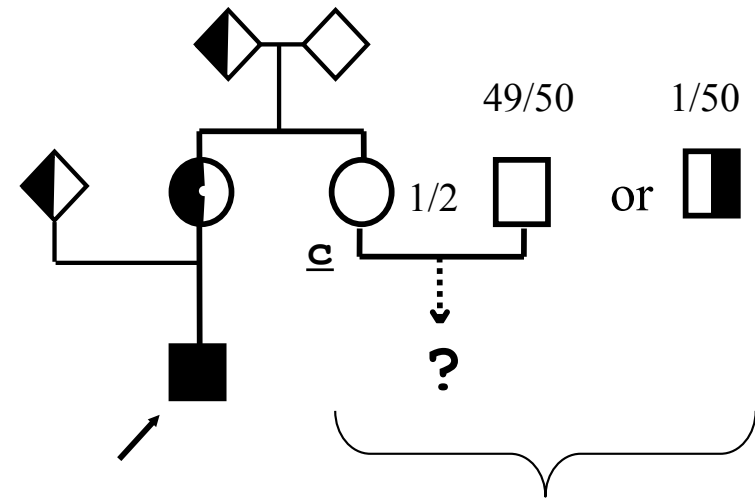
- PKU (aa) 1/10,000
- $q^2 = 1/10,000$
- $q=0.01, p=.99$
- $htz (Aa) = 2pq = 0.02 = 1/50$

Check: 2% carriers

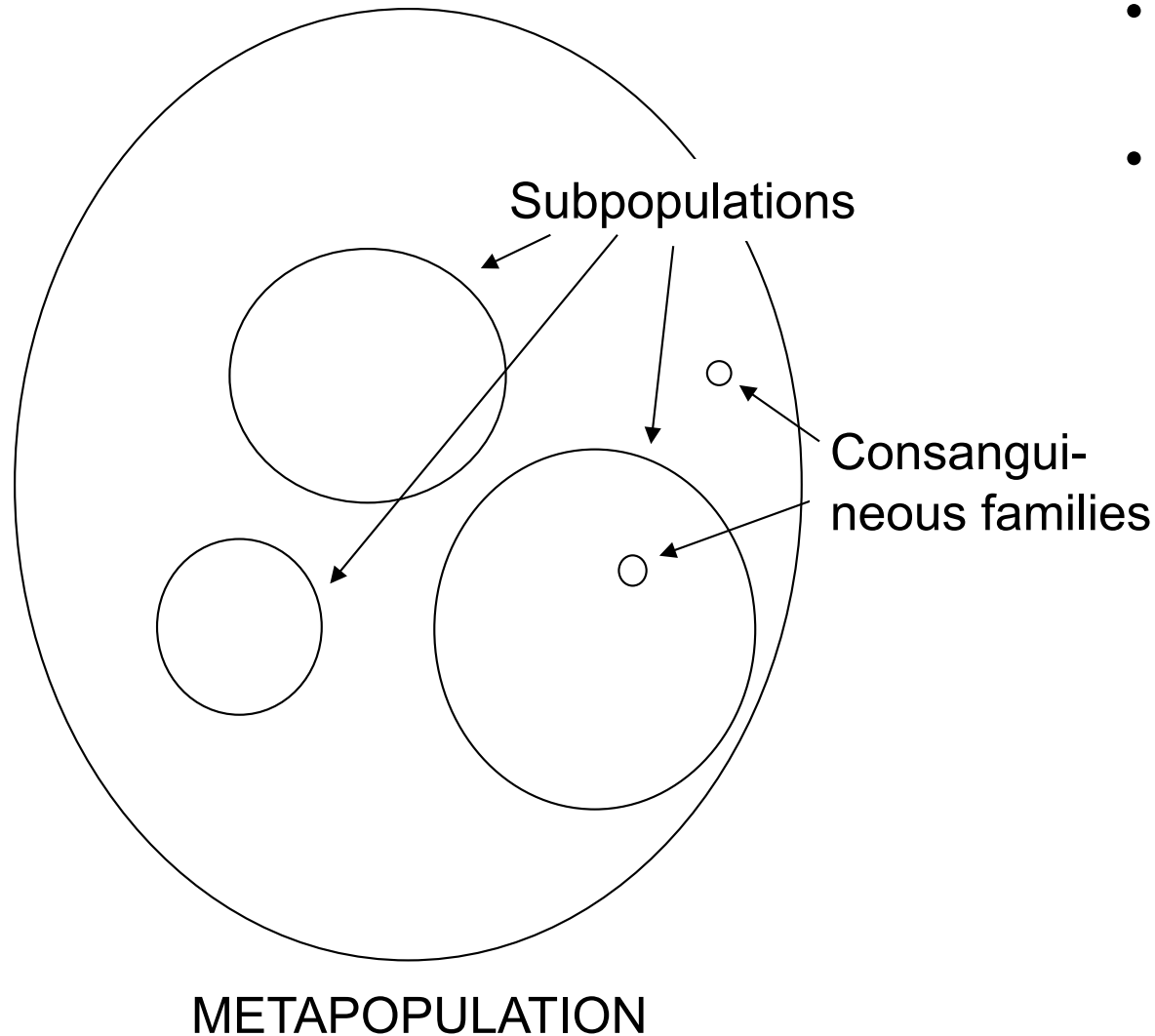
$$\Rightarrow 1/50 \times 1/50 \times 1/4 \text{ affected}$$

$$= 1/10,000 \text{ affected}$$

(Selection acts on very few individuals (1/10,000)
 \Rightarrow discard)



Genetics in families, Genetics in populations



- Cross-fertile individuals (species)
- Subpopulations isolated by
 - Geography
 - Language
 - Religion
 - ...
 - Inbreeding
 - Consanguinity

Allele frequencies vary in different populations

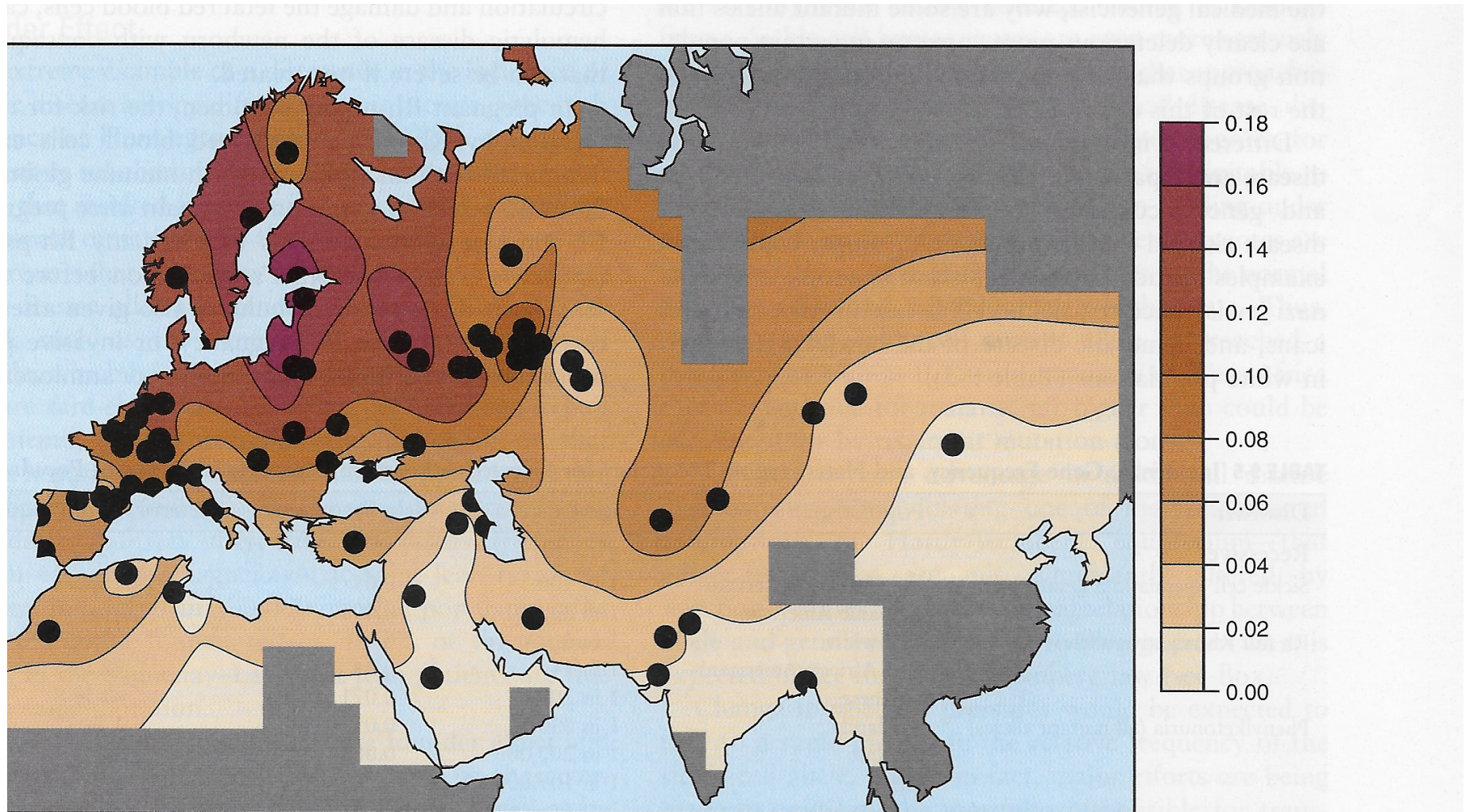


Figure 9-1 The frequency of $\Delta CCR5$ alleles in various geographical regions of Europe, the Middle East, and the Indian subcontinent. The various allele frequencies are shown with color coding provided on the right. *Black dots* indicate the locations where allele frequencies were sampled; the rest of the frequencies were then interpolated in the regions between where direct sampling was done. *Gray areas* are regions where there were insufficient data to estimate allele frequencies. See Sources & Acknowledgments.

Alleles in stable populations are at H-W equilibrium

Table 26-10 Comparison between Observed Frequencies of Genotypes for the MN Blood Group Locus and the Frequencies Expected from Random Mating

Population	Observed			Expected		
	<i>MM</i>	<i>MN</i>	<i>NN</i>	<i>MM</i>	<i>MN</i>	<i>NN</i>
Eskimo	0.835	0.156	0.009	0.834	0.159	0.008
Egyptian	0.278	0.489	0.233	0.274	0.499	0.228
Chinese	0.332	0.486	0.182	0.331	0.488	0.181
Australian aborigine	0.024	0.304	0.672	0.031	0.290	0.679

NOTE: The expected frequencies are computed according to the Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium, using the values of p and q computed from the observed frequencies.

Genes in population

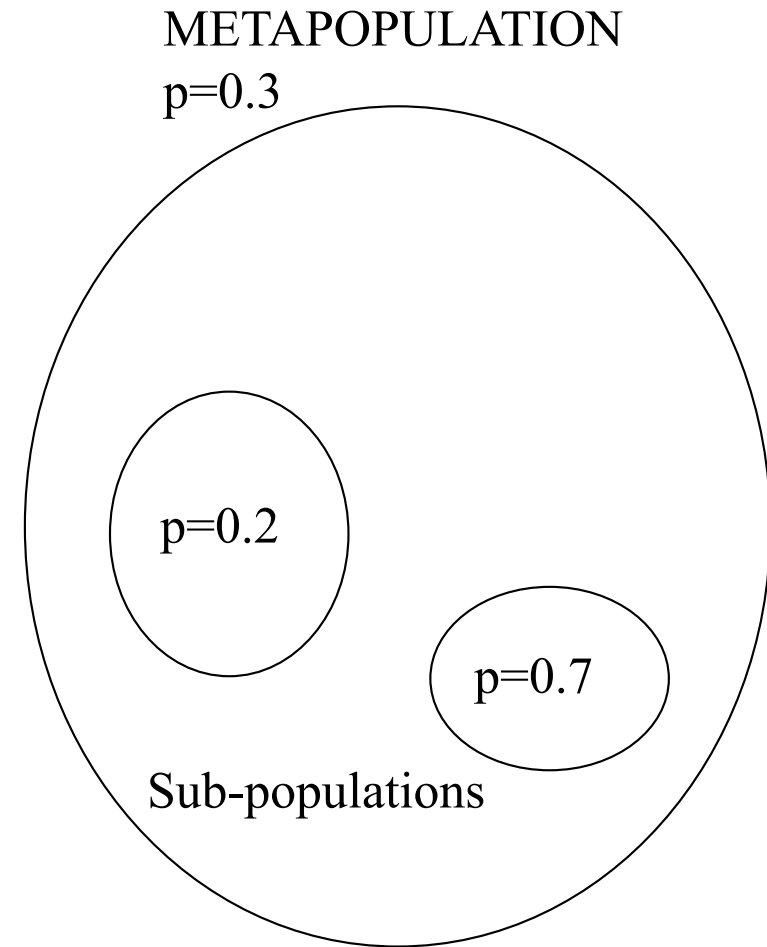
DISTORTIONS TO H-W EQUIL

Assortative matings

= if you chose your mate non-randomly

- Height; deafness; ...
- Consanguinity
- Geography
- Language
- Religion

STRATIFICATION of population



Sub-populations have their own H-W equilibrium

Table 26-1 Frequencies of Genotypes for Alleles at MN Blood Group Locus in Various Human Populations

Population	Genotype			Allele frequencies	
	MM	MN	NN	$p(M)$	$q(N)$
Eskimo	0.835	0.156	0.009	0.913	0.087
Australian aborigine	0.024	0.304	0.672	0.176	0.824
Egyptian	0.278	0.489	0.233	0.523	0.477
German	0.297	0.507	0.196	0.550	0.450
Chinese	0.332	0.486	0.182	0.575	0.425
Nigerian	0.301	0.495	0.204	0.548	0.452

SOURCE: W. C. Boyd, *Genetics and the Races of Man*. D. C. Heath, 1950.

HW equilibria are not additive

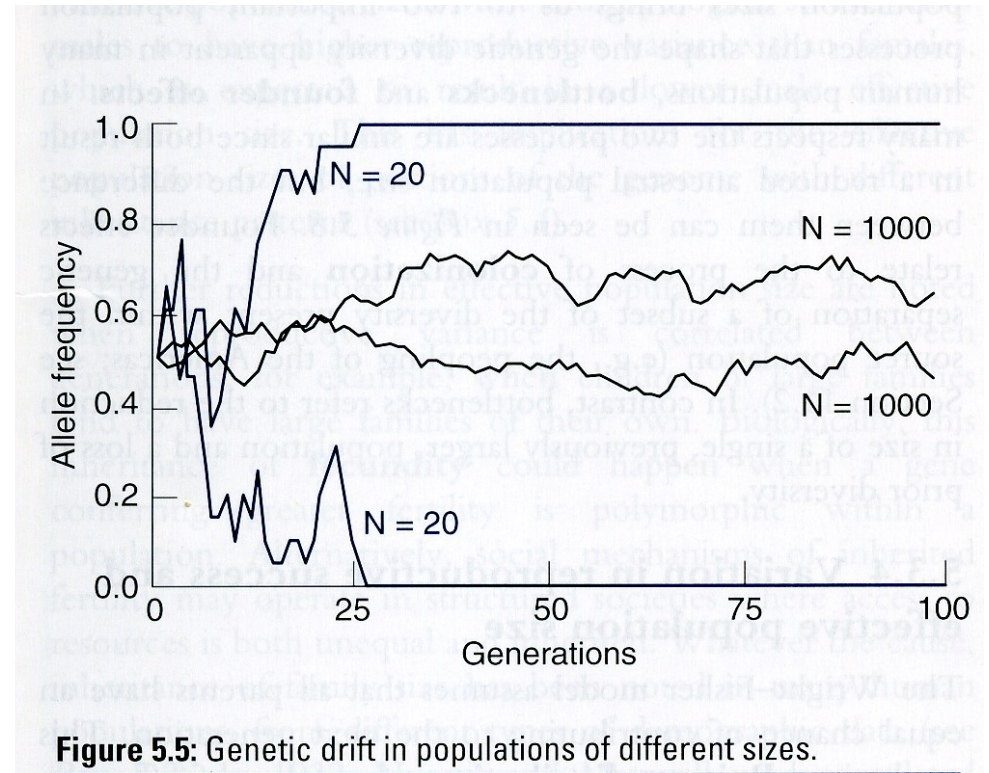
- Consider 2 populations in HW equilibrium at one locus
- Sample them and pool the samples
- The resulting pool is NOT at HW equilibrium
 - Stratification of the metapopulation
- If the 2 populations actually mix and mate randomly, equilibrium will be reached, at the next generation

Random genetic drift

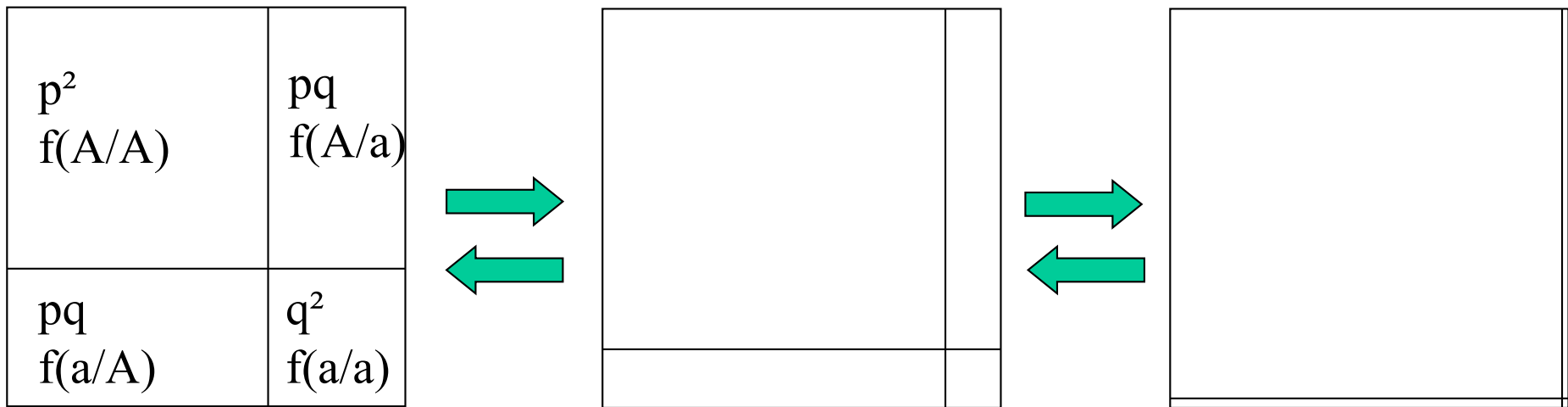
- No population is infinitely large
- Each generation is a sample of the previous one
- Stochastic variation in allele frequency between generations

Ex: $p=0.5$, $N=20$ (simulation over 100 generations)

$N=20 \Rightarrow$ one allele gets FIXED



Genetic drift and allele fixation

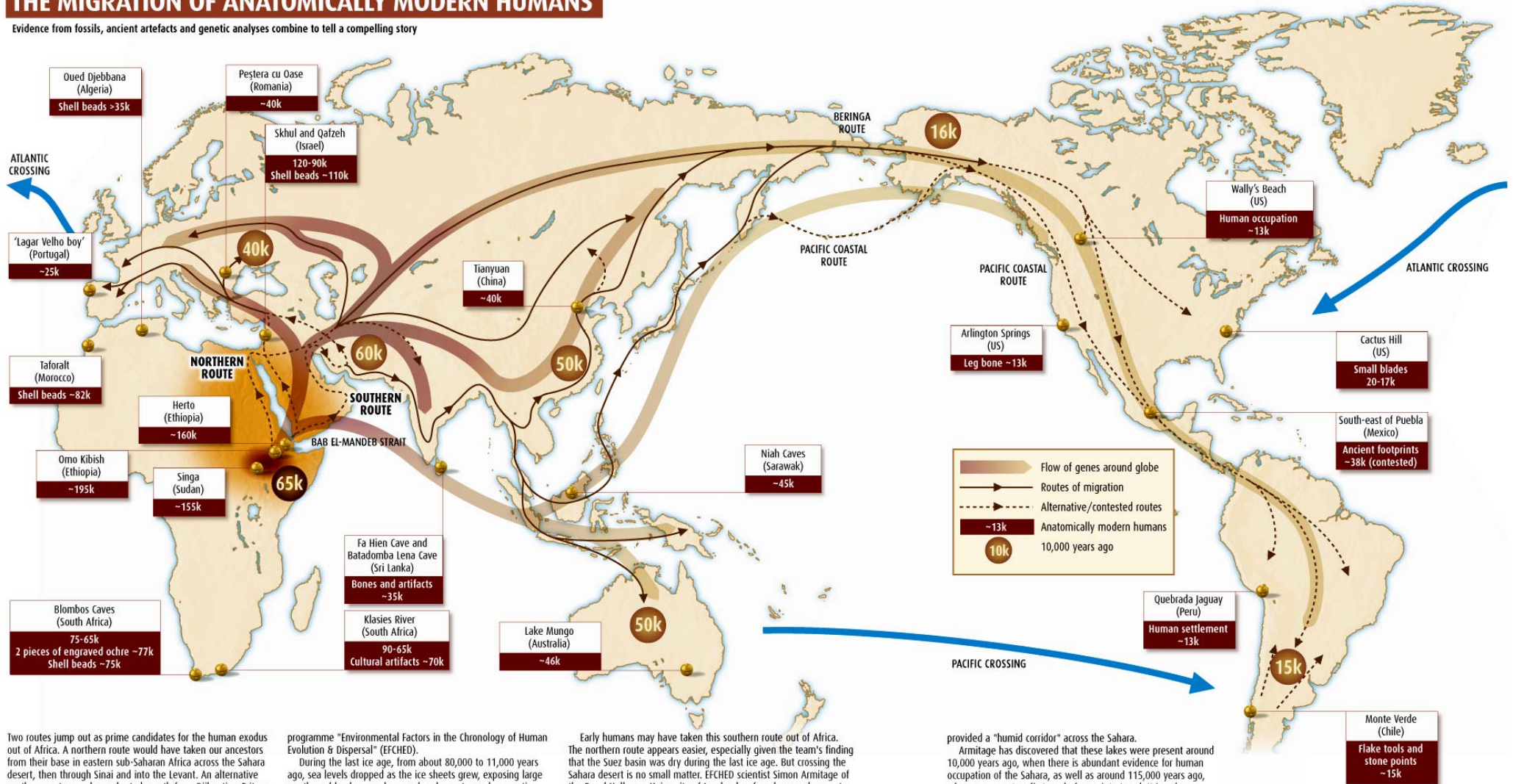


- Random variation of p and q , over a generation
- In small population
- Once $q = 0$, q remains 0
- Allele FIXATION: $p=1$

Out of Africa model:

THE MIGRATION OF ANATOMICALLY MODERN HUMANS

Evidence from fossils, ancient artefacts and genetic analyses combine to tell a compelling story



Two routes jump out as prime candidates for the human exodus out of Africa. A northern route would have taken our ancestors from their base in eastern sub-Saharan Africa across the Sahara desert, then through Sinai and into the Levant. An alternative southern route may have charted a path from Djibouti or Eritrea in the Horn of Africa across the Bab el-Mandeb Strait and into Yemen and around the Arabian peninsula. The plausibility of these two routes as gateways out of Africa has been studied as part of the UK's Natural Environment Research Council's

programme "Environmental Factors in the Chronology of Human Evolution & Dispersal" (EFCHED).

During the last ice age, from about 80,000 to 11,000 years ago, sea levels dropped as the ice sheets grew, exposing large swathes of land now submerged under water and connecting regions now separated by the sea. By reconstructing ancient shorelines, the EFCHED team found that the Bab el-Mandeb Strait, now around 30 kilometres wide and one of the world's busiest shipping lanes, was then a narrow, shallow channel.

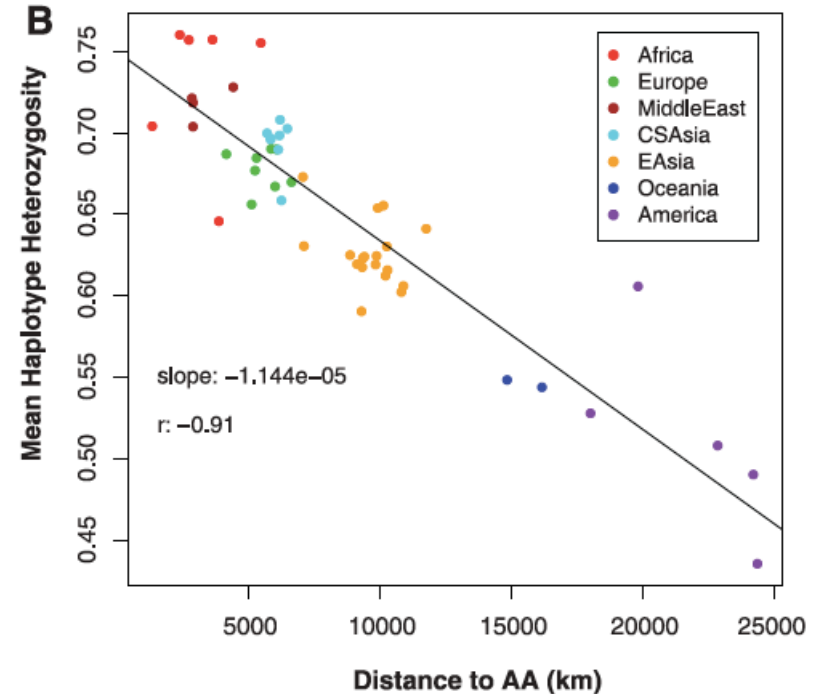
Early humans may have taken this southern route out of Africa. The northern route appears easier, especially given the team's finding that the Suez basin was dry during the last ice age. But crossing the Sahara desert is no small matter. EFCHED scientist Simon Armitage of the Royal Holloway University of London has found some clues as to how this might have been possible. During the past 150,000 years, North Africa has experienced abrupt switches between dry, arid conditions and a humid climate. During the longer wetter periods huge lakes existed in both Chad and Libya, which would have

provided a "humid corridor" across the Sahara.

Armitage has discovered that these lakes were present around 10,000 years ago, when there is abundant evidence for human occupation of the Sahara, as well as around 115,000 years ago, when our ancestors first made forays into Israel. It is unknown whether another humid corridor appeared between about 65,000 and 50,000 years ago, the most likely time frame for the human exodus. Moreover, accumulating evidence is pointing to the southern route as the most likely jumping-off point.

Out of Africa, progressive drift

- Observe >100k SNP polymorphisms
- Measure variability (= measure heterozygosity) in various populations
- Plot variability as a fn of distance from Ethiopia capital, Addis Ababa (AA)



Li et al. Science 2008

Mutations and drift, Bottlenecks and founder effects

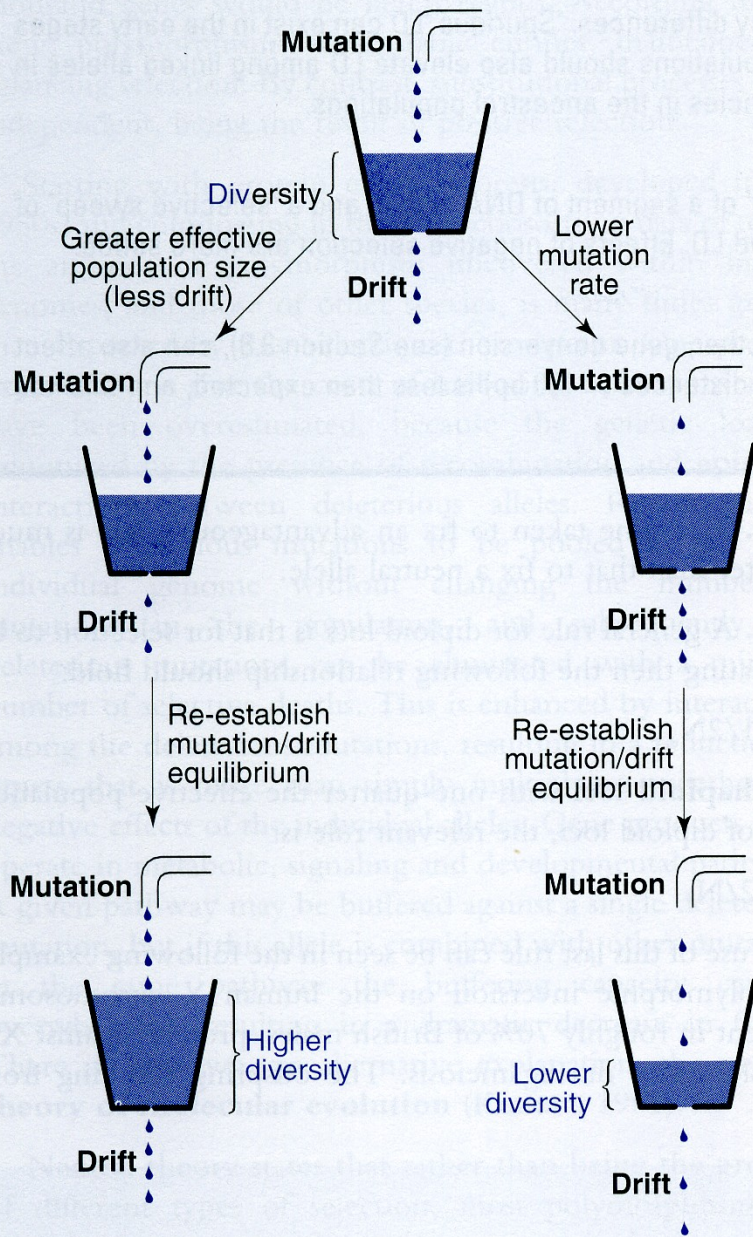


Figure 5.13: A metaphorical depiction of the relationship between mutation rate, drift and diversity.

A change in either the mutation rate or effective population size changes the diversity at mutation-drift equilibrium – see text.

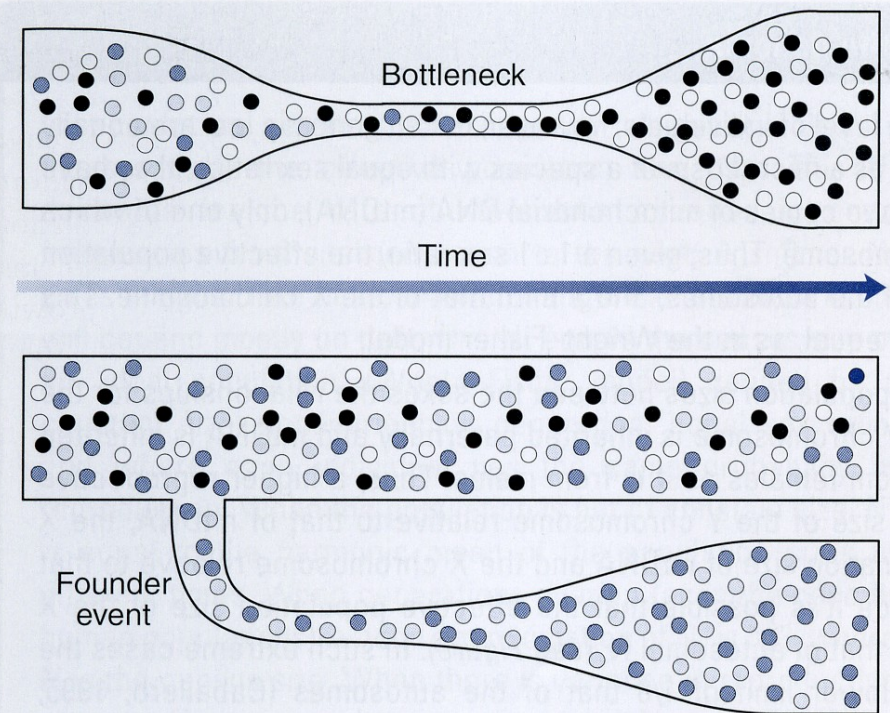


Figure 5.8: Bottlenecks and founder events.

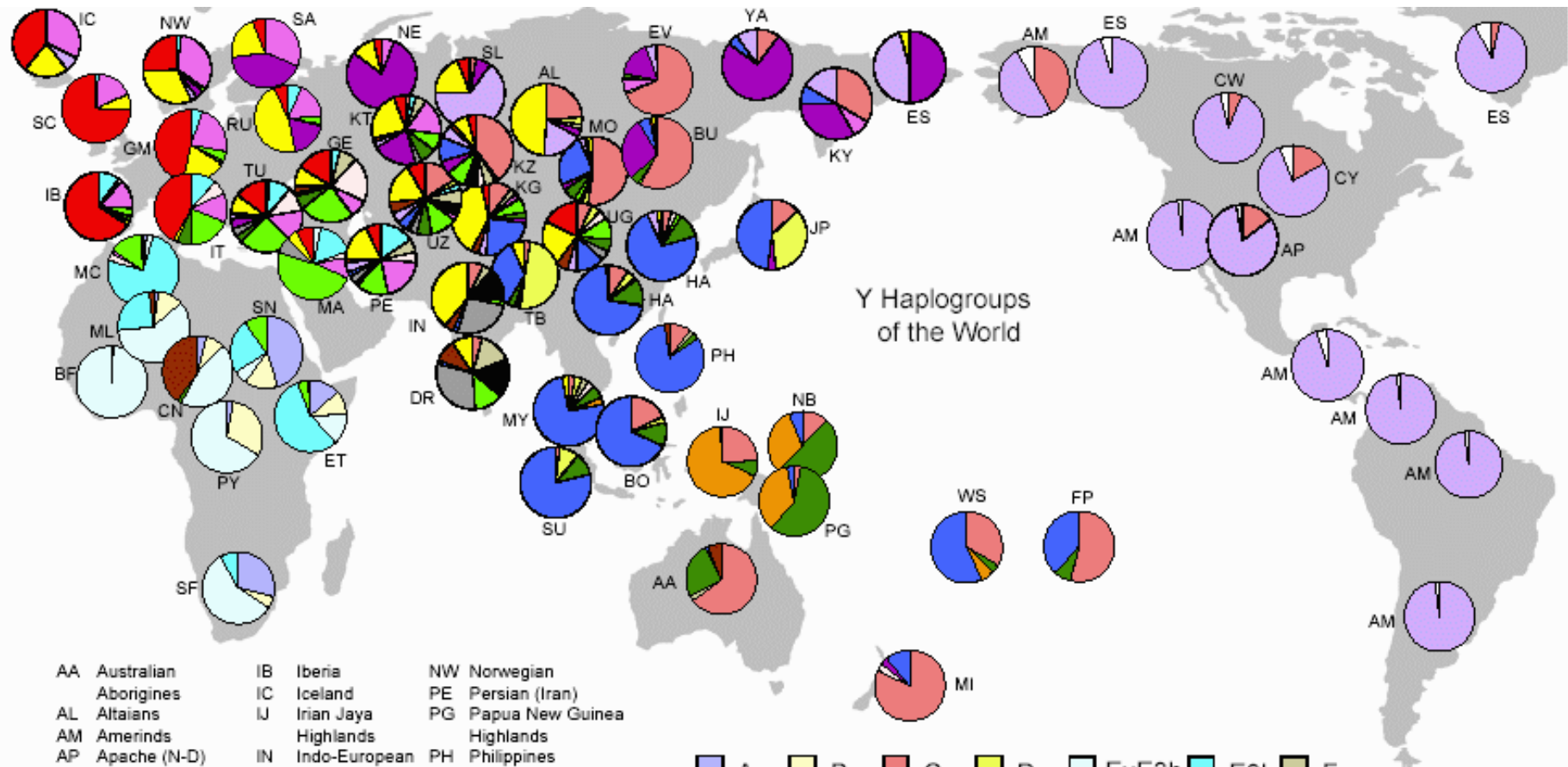
Circles of different colors represent different alleles. Both bottlenecks and founder events result in a loss of allelic diversity.

Male and female reproductive variance

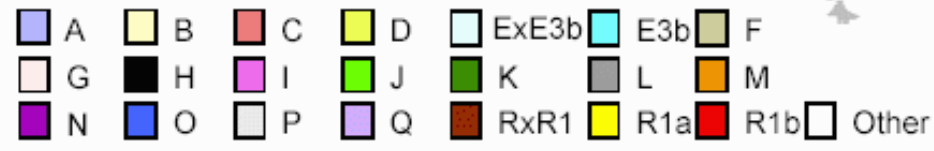
Eg, in Aka pygmies (Hewlett BS, 1988)

- Male progeny mean = 6.34 variance = 8.64
- Female progeny mean = 6.34 variance = 5.20

Y-haplogroups




- | | | |
|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| AA Australian | IB Iberia | NW Norwegian |
| AL Altaians | IC Iceland | PE Persian (Iran) |
| AM Amerinds | IJ Irian Jaya | PG Papua New Guinea |
| AP Apache (N-D) | Highlands | Highlands |
| BO Borneo | IN Indo-European | PH Philippines |
| BU Buryats | IT Italy | PY Pygmy |
| CN Cameroon | JP Japan | RU Russia |
| CW Chippeway (N-D) | KG Kyrgyzstan | SA Saami |
| CY Cheyenne | KT Kazan Tatar | SC Scotland |
| DR Dravidian | KY Koryaks | SL Selkups |
| ES Eskimos | KZ Kazakhstan | SF South Africa |
| ET Ethiopia | MA Mideast Arabs | SU Sudan |
| EV Evenks | MC Morocco | TB Tibet |
| FP French Polynesia | MI Maori | TU Turkish |
| GE Georgia-Armenia | MO Mongols | UG Uygurs |
| GM Germany | MY Malaysia | UZ Uzbek |
| HA Han Chinese | NB New Britain | WS Western Samoa |
| | NE Nenets | YA Yakuts |



The data in this map is supposed to represent the situation before the recent European expansion beginning about 1500 AD. In some cases such as some Native American tribes and the Maori this can be done reliably because STR typing was done. In other cases, especially in America, it is guesswork. The "Other" sectors in America indicate this. Native American groups are labeled by language group as Amerind, Na-Dene (N-D), and Eskimo. F, K, L, and P are in some cases "catchall" groups because some researchers did not use enough markers for a full haplotype determination.

Hardy – Weinberg law

- The frequency of the three genotypes AA, Aa and aa is given by the terms of the binomial expansion of $(p+q)^2$
 $= p^2 + 2pq + q^2$
- And does not change over generations
- Under certain conditions :
 - Random matings
 - No mutation
 - No selection 
 - No drift
 - No migration in or out
 - Equal generations
 - Stable population

Selection

- All individuals in one generation differ qualitatively from one another
- Differential rates of survival and reproduction (fitness)
 - Natural selection (environment)
 - Artificial selection (plant or animal breeders)
- **If variability is (partly) inherited**, this results in the evolution of the population (microevolution)
- Via change in allele frequencies

Natural selection

Ex: Cystic Fibrosis (CF) affects 1/2500 individual at birth (incidence measured at birth)

Patients are normal at birth

progressive disease in children and young adults

life expectancy = 39 yrs)

- At birth, H-W equilibrium :
1/25 heteroz \Leftrightarrow 1/2500 affected

$$AA \approx .96 ; Aa = .04 ; aa = 1/2500$$

- At 75 yrs, H-W equilibrium not observed :
1/25 heteroz \Leftrightarrow 0 affected (all are dead)

$$AA \approx .96 ; Aa = .04 ; aa = 0$$

Selection: + or -

- **NEGATIVE SELECTION** : reduced fitness
= purifying selection
- **POSITIVE SELECTION** : increased fitness
= adaptive selection
- **BALANCED SELECTION** : htz performs best
- **NO SELECTION** : for most mutations
neutral evolution

Fitness

- Survival into reproductive age
- Success in mating: *sexual selection*
- Ability to fertilize: *gamete selection*
fertility, meiotic drive
- Number of progeny: *fecundity*

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Artificial selection (empirical)

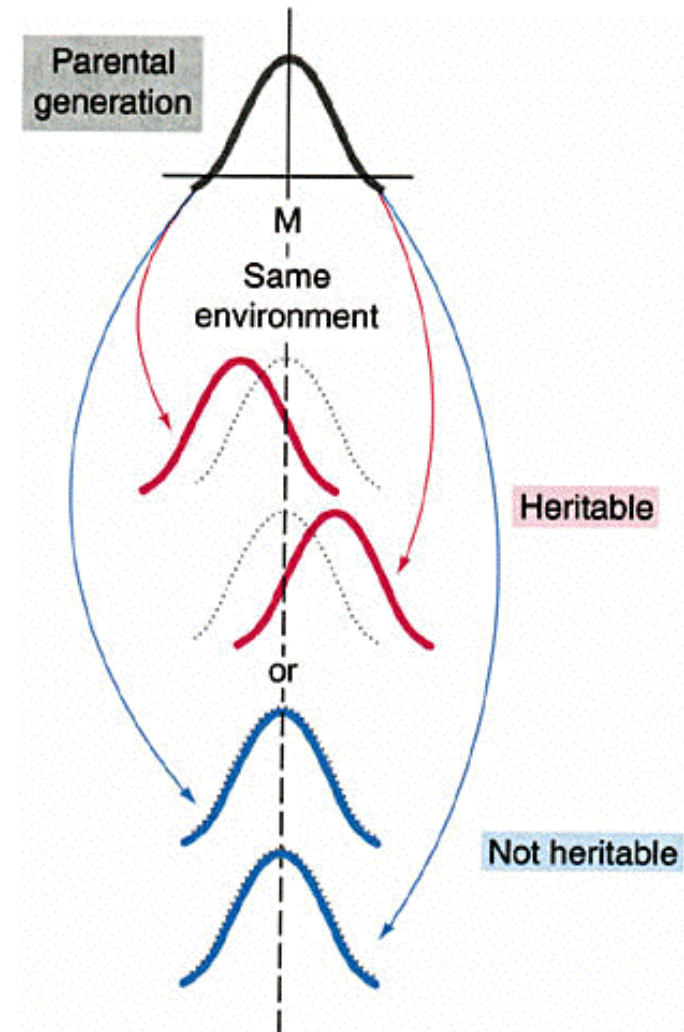
- Since 10,000 yrs in agriculture
- Since 10,000 yrs in farming

Works only on (partially) inherited characters



Regression to the mean indicates non-heritability of variation

- Cross individuals from the extremes of the distribution
- If variation not inherited (= environment effect only):
=> crosses from both extremes will produce same distribution = regression to the mean
- If variation (partly) inherited (= genetic effect present)
=> distribution different in two groups



SELECTION

- Natural or artificial
- Differential survival and reproduction of individuals

➤ **NEGATIVE**
purifying selection

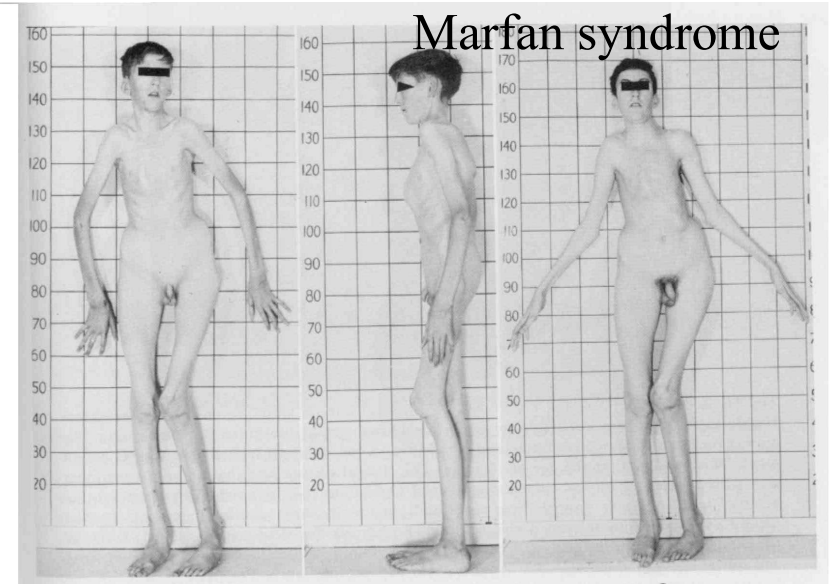
➤ **POSITIVE**
adaptive selection

➤ **BALANCING**

- Most changes are not selected for or against
NEUTRAL evolution

Negative selection

- Most mutations that cause dominant disease
- Because these patients have fewer children (fitness <1)



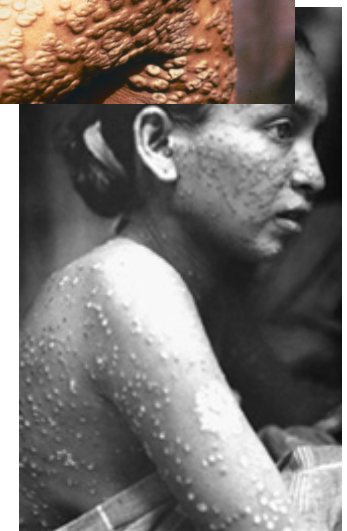
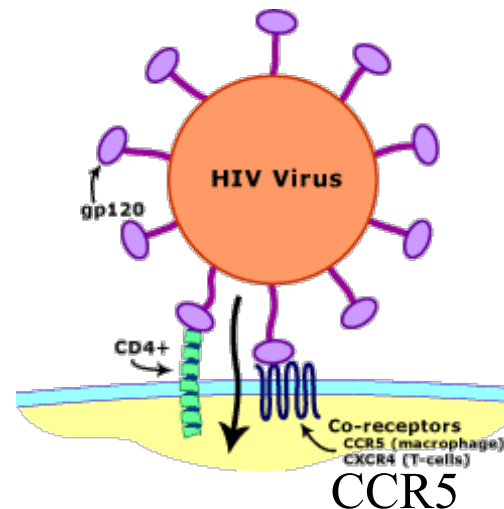
Positive selection of mutation CCR5 * delta32

Mutation delta32 inactivates CCR5 , a co-receptor for HIV virus

Mutation does not seem to cause any problem per se

SELECTION of this mutation by

- ➔ Plague (14th century)
- ➔ Smallpox (Variola)
- ➔ AIDS



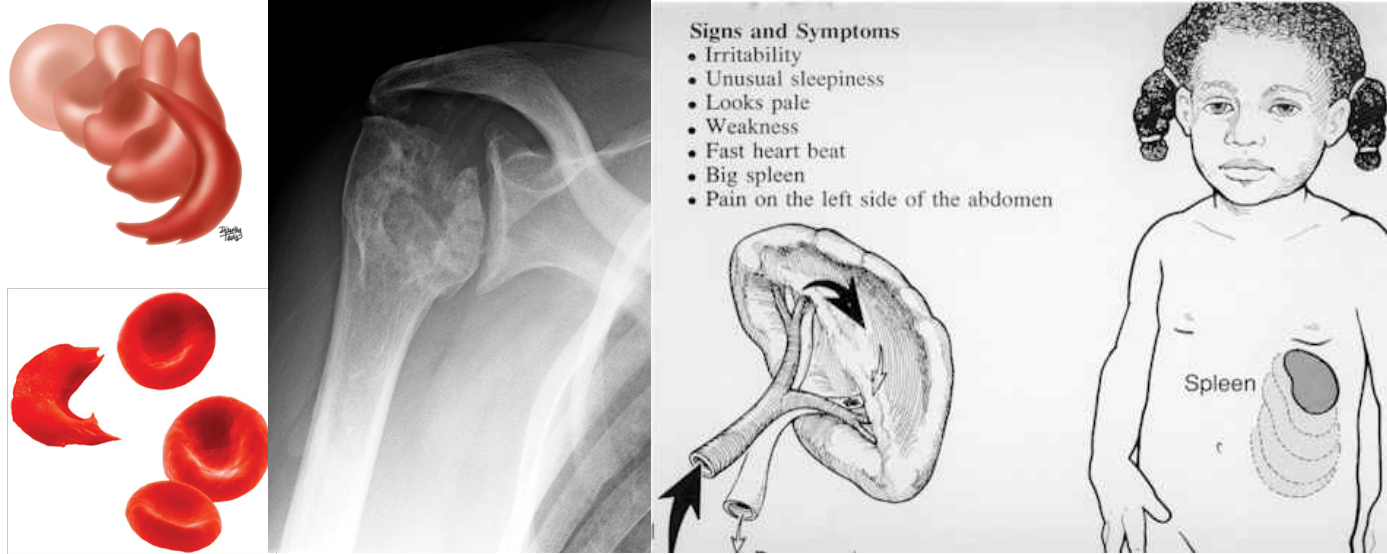
=> This mutation will get fixed (settle) in population
if selective pressure maintained (?)

Selection: + or -

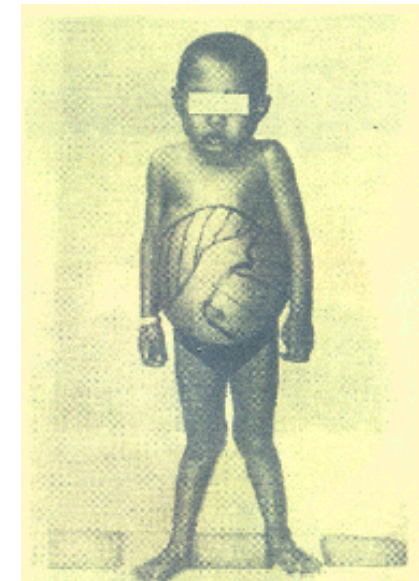
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Balanced Selection : ex: hereditary anemia

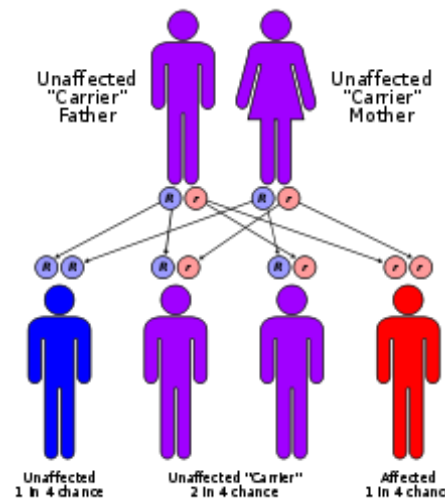


Drépanocytose (Sickle cell disease)



Thalassemia

Autosomal recessive, monogenic

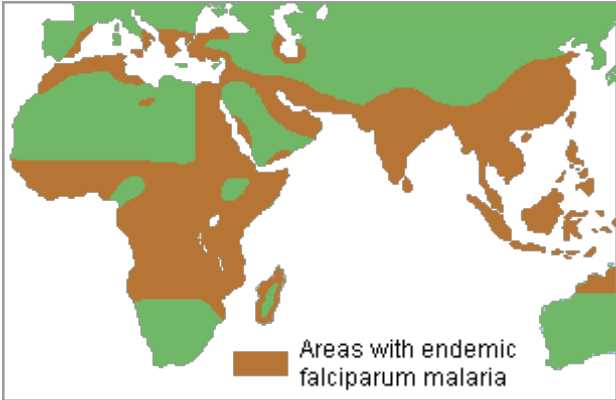
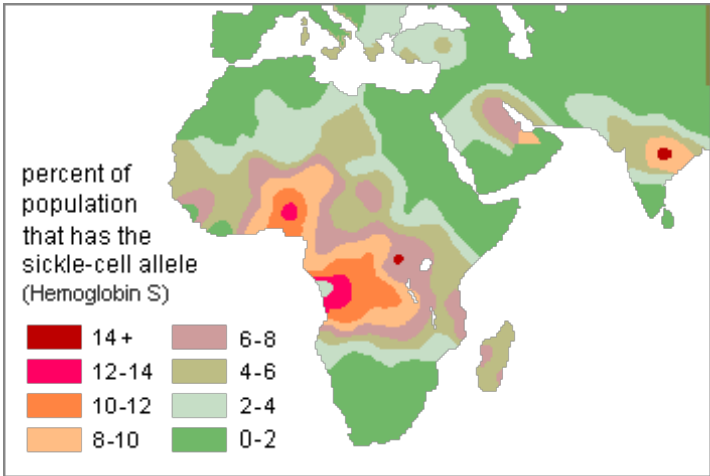
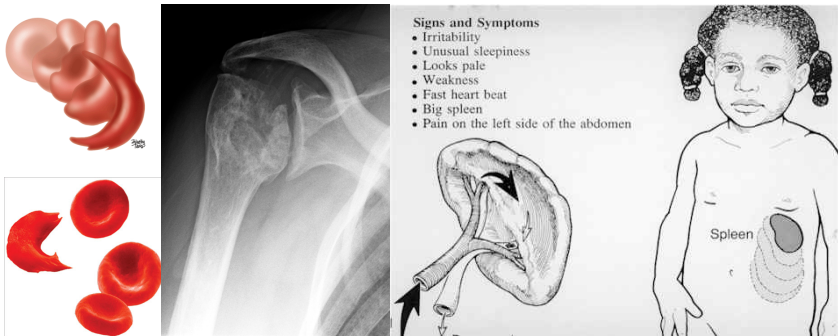


=> 10-20% carriers in some populations

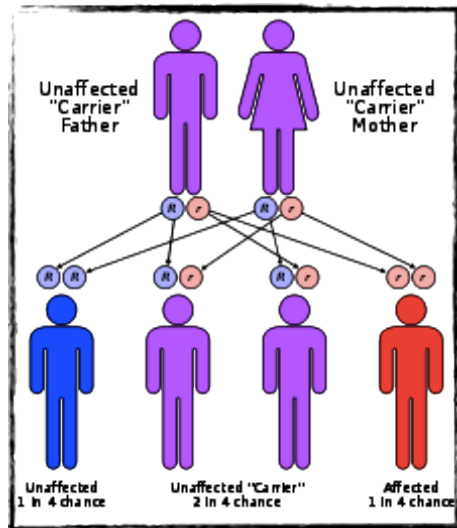
although *mutated alleles* disappear as patients die !

Sickle cell (and thalassemia)

follow malaria



balanced polymorphisms



- CFTR mutations
 - ▶ 1/25 (4%) carriers
 - ▶ 1/2500 affected

Cystic Fibrosis
(mucoviscidose)



- HbBeta * null
 - ▶ 1/10 (10%) carriers
 - ▶ 1/400 affected

Thalassemia
(beta 0)



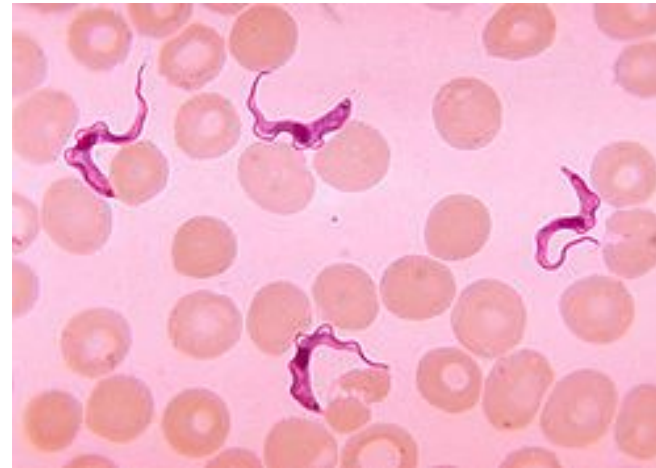
Severe disease in hmz => These genetic changes can not get fixed in population

CFTR*DF508

- Is a mutation, causing disease with 100% penetrance (if biallelic)
- Is a polymorphism as $q = 1.5\%$
- Balanced selection (overdominance)

Balanced selection of APOE1 mutation in Africa

- resistance to trypanosoma infection (sleeping disease) in heterozygotes
- Nephrosis in homozygotes (focal segmental glomerulosclerosis)
 - African American have higher rates of renal disease than European Americans



Balanced selection

- HbS mutation
 - Malaria < > Sickle-cell anemia
- CFTR mutations
 - Infant diarrhea (?) < > CF

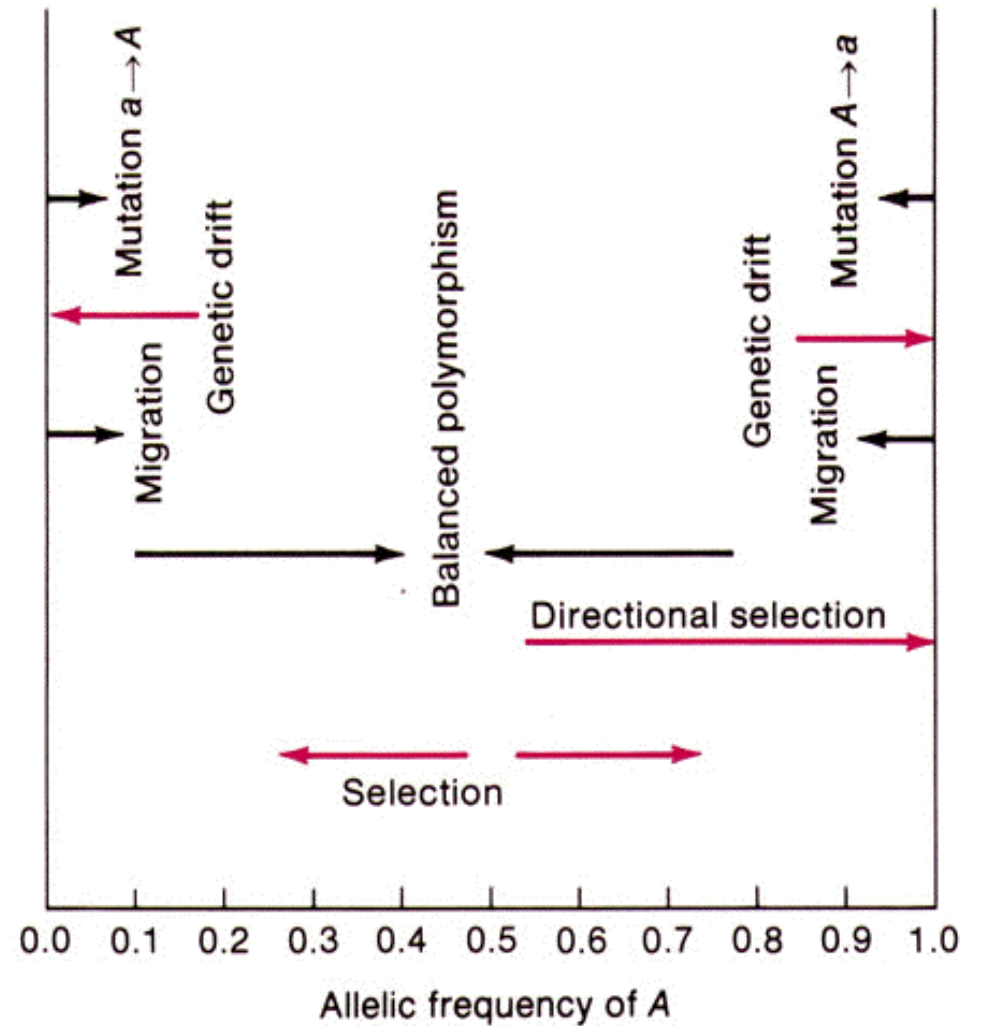
=> Such genetic changes can not get fixed in population.. or everyone would be affected with CF, Sickle Cell, ...

Balanced selection in oligogenic / multigenic/ complex disorders

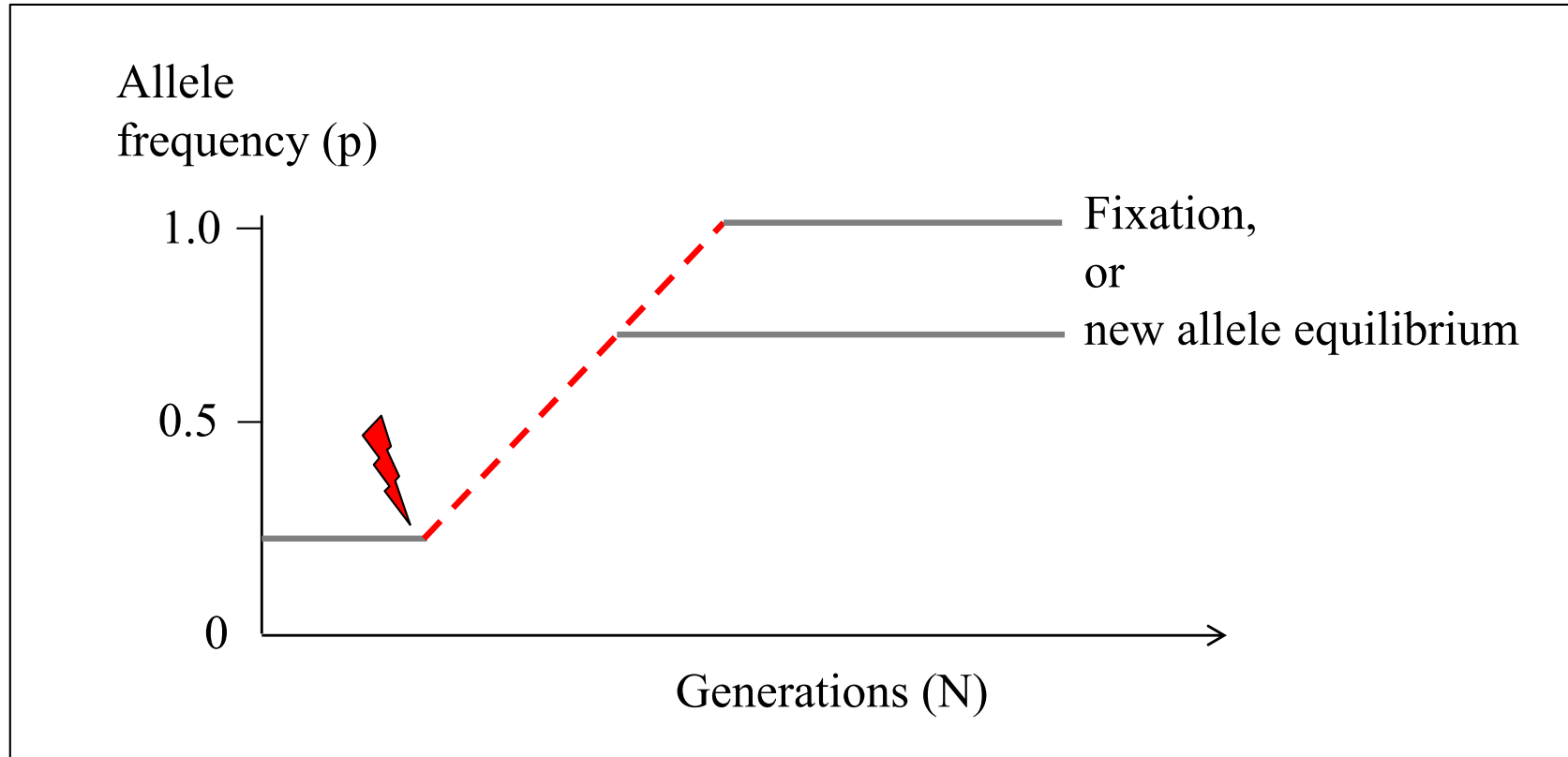
- TLR4
 - Septic shock < > ischemic cardiopathy
- HFE
 - Iron deficiency < > iron overload
- FV Leiden
 - Fewer hemorrhages < > thrombophilia

Microevolution

- Changes in allele frequency in population
- Cross-fertile individuals



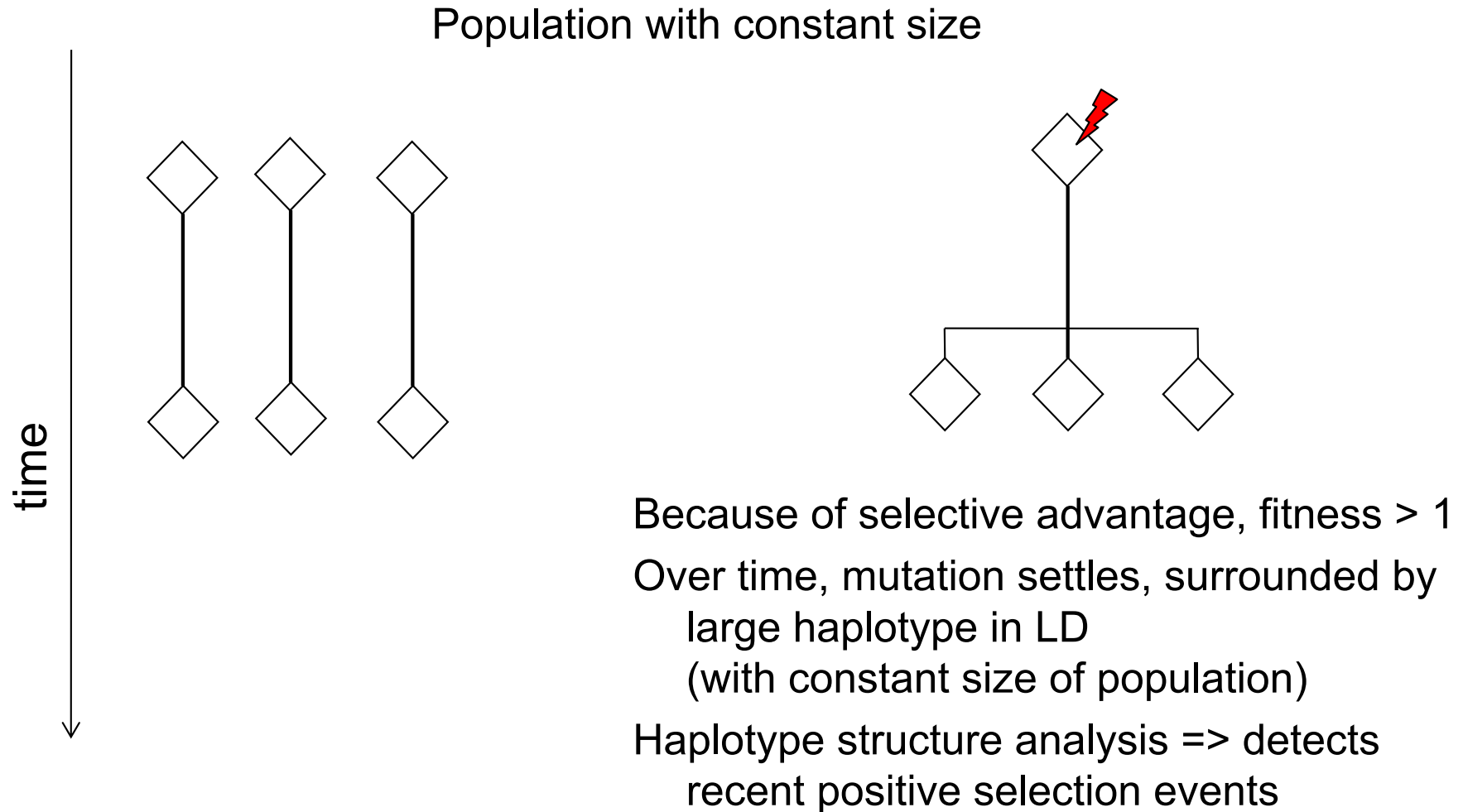
Positive selection (adaptive mutation)



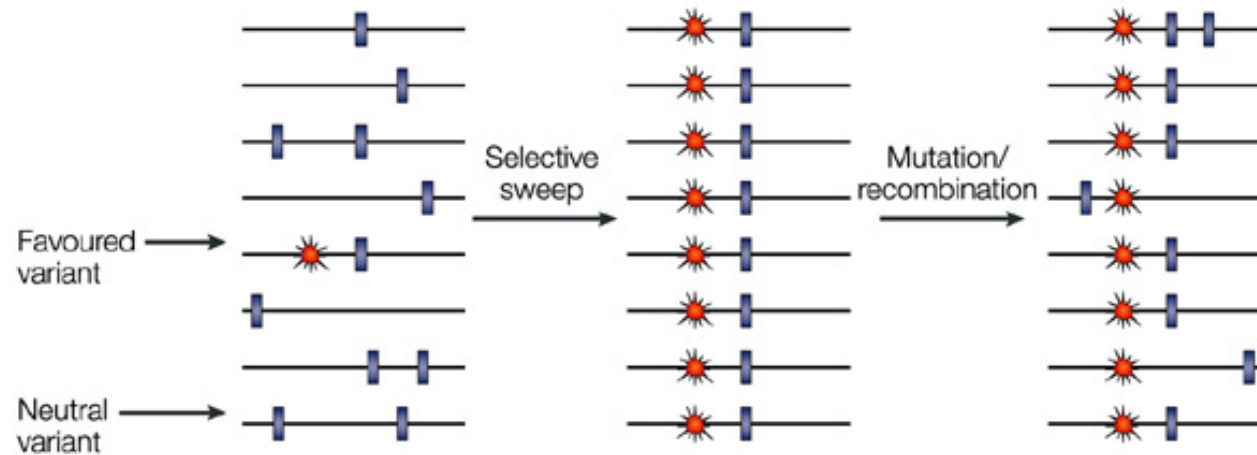
$\Delta p / \Delta N \equiv$ Selection = differential number of offspring, until fixation, or until new equilibrium reached

=> What happens to haplotype around adaptive mutation during selection ?

Mutation with selective advantage



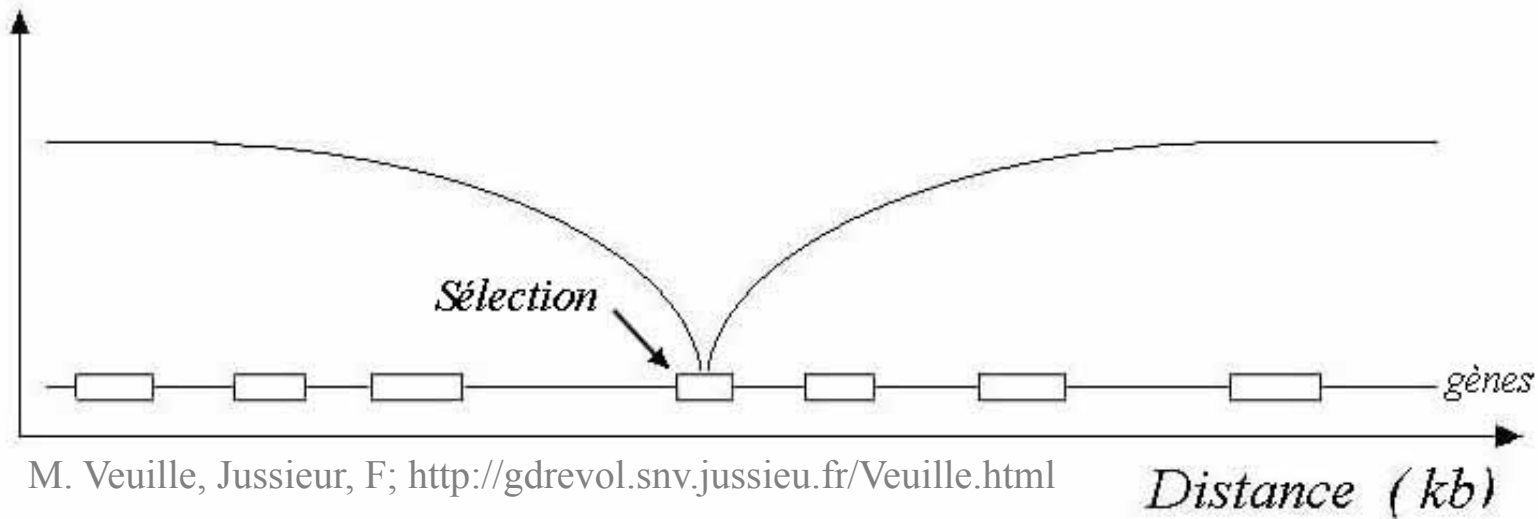
Selective sweep



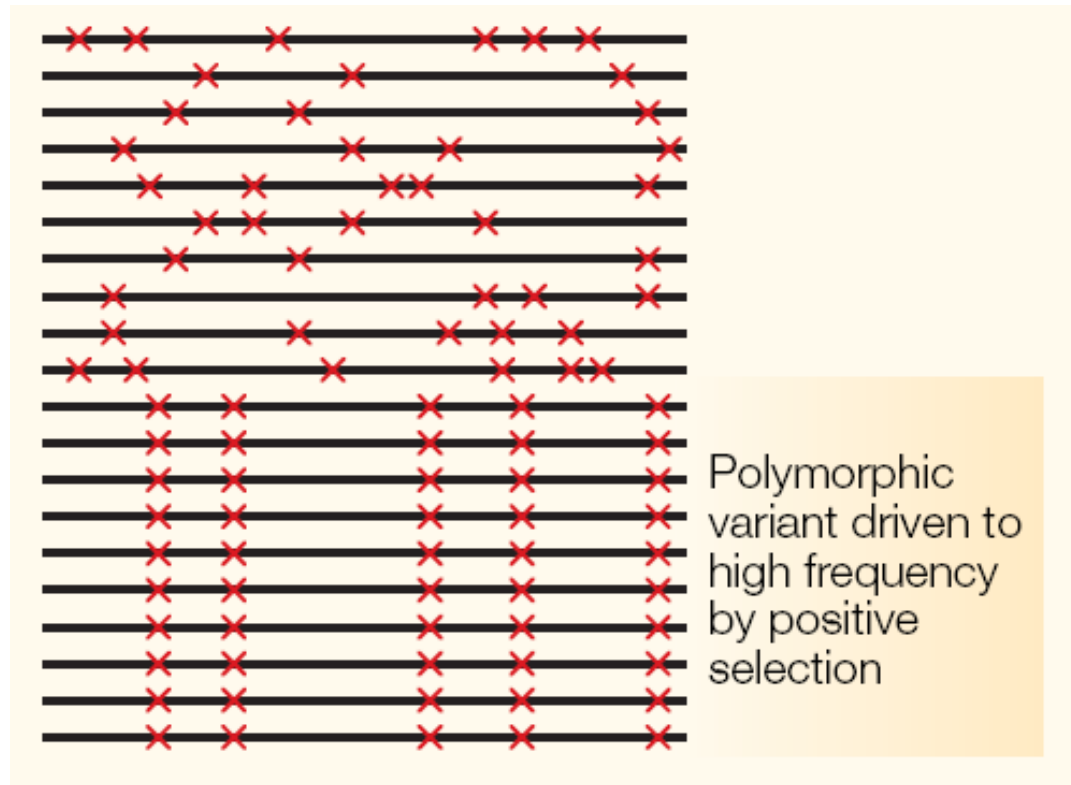
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Selective sweep



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Selective sweep in ongoing evolution

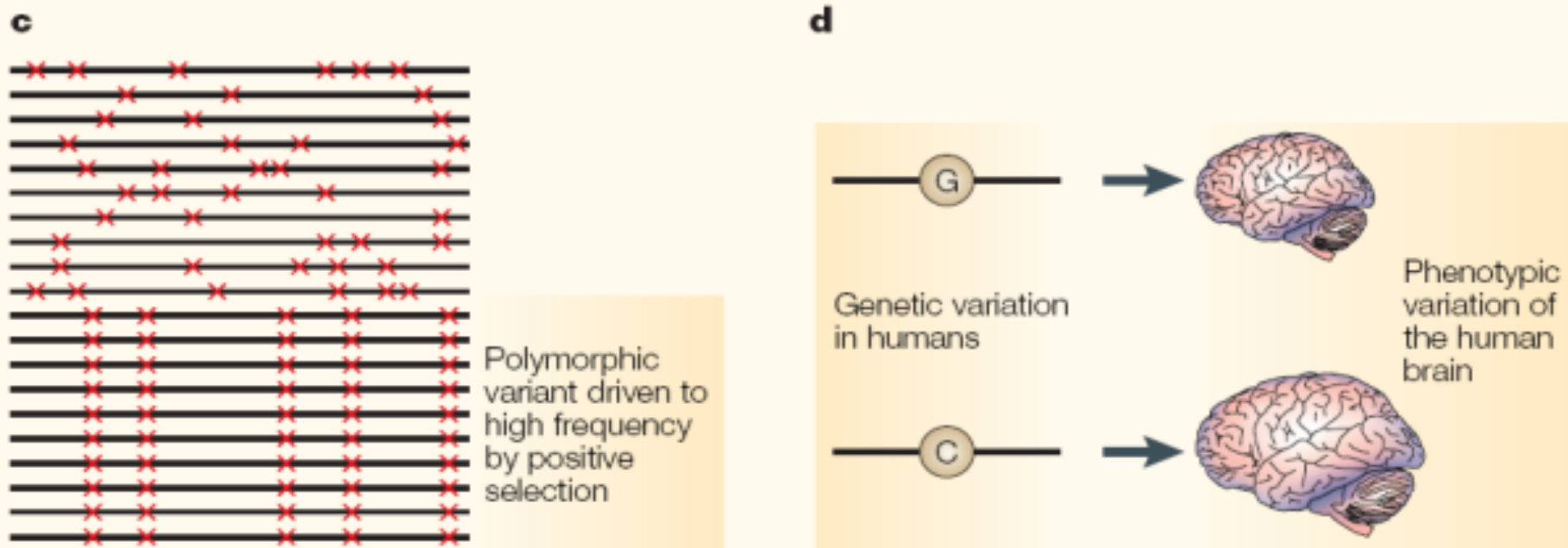


Figure 4 | A methodological template for investigating the genetic basis of human brain evolution.

a | Large-scale comparisons of brain-related genes across four strategically selected species that include the human, Old World monkey, rat and mouse. These comparisons can reveal broad genome-wide trends and uncover specific genes of interest (for example, genes with significantly higher rates of evolution in primates than rodents). **b** | Analysis of interesting genes identified through (a) in a wider range of species. This analysis allows a more detailed evolutionary investigation of individual genes to address questions such as whether the evolution of these genes is specifically accelerated in the lineage leading to humans compared with that in other primate and non-primate taxa. **c** | Polymorphism studies of interesting genes in humans. Each line represents a copy of a locus under investigation and each cross represents a mutational polymorphism. **d** | Correlating polymorphisms in humans with variations in brain phenotype (such as brain size). The phylogenetic relationships and evolutionary timescales depicted in (a) and (b) are based on data from REFS 114–118.

How recognize human populations ?



Ancestry Informative Markers

= alleles with widely different frequencies among populations originating in different parts of the world

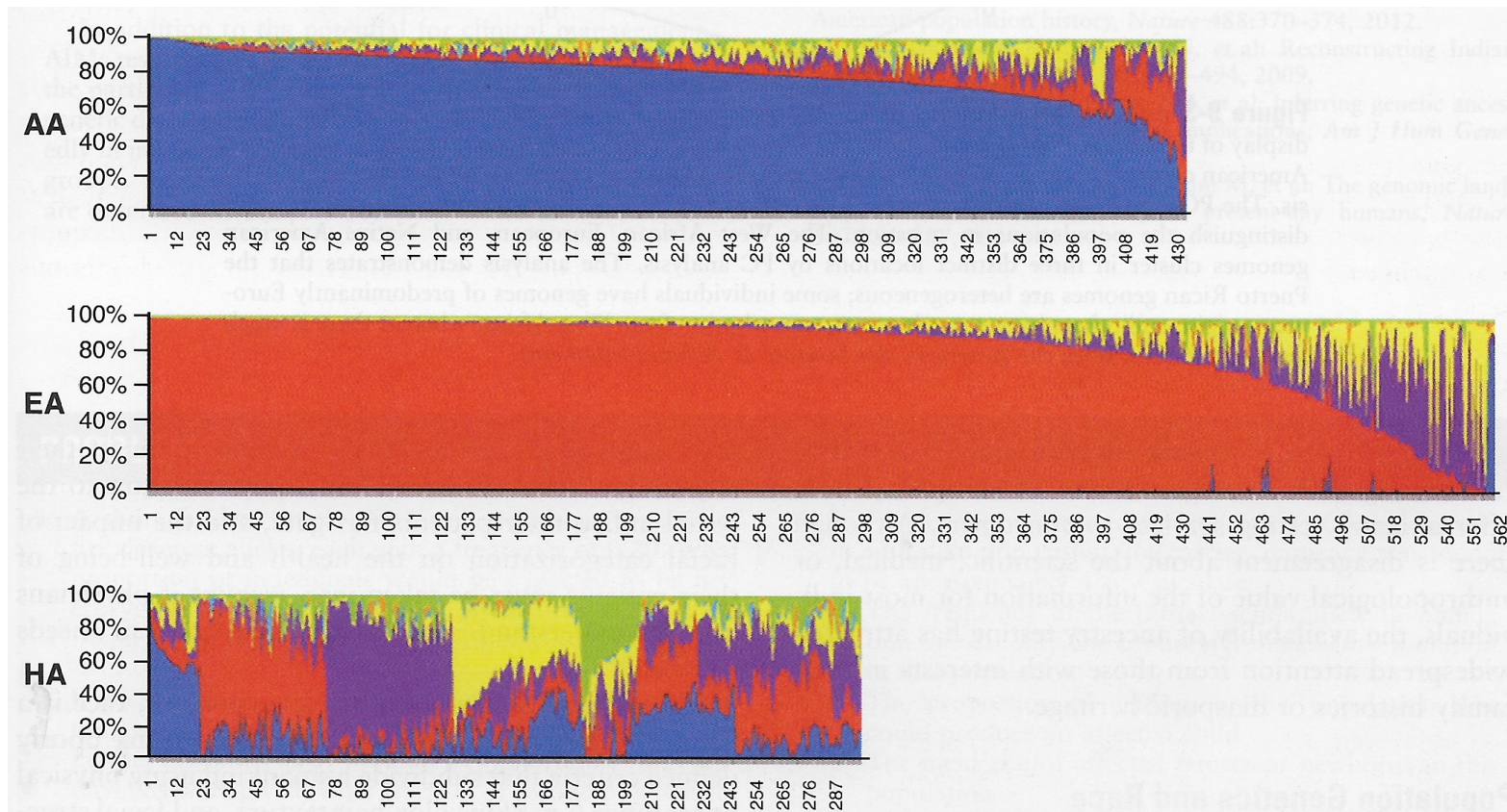
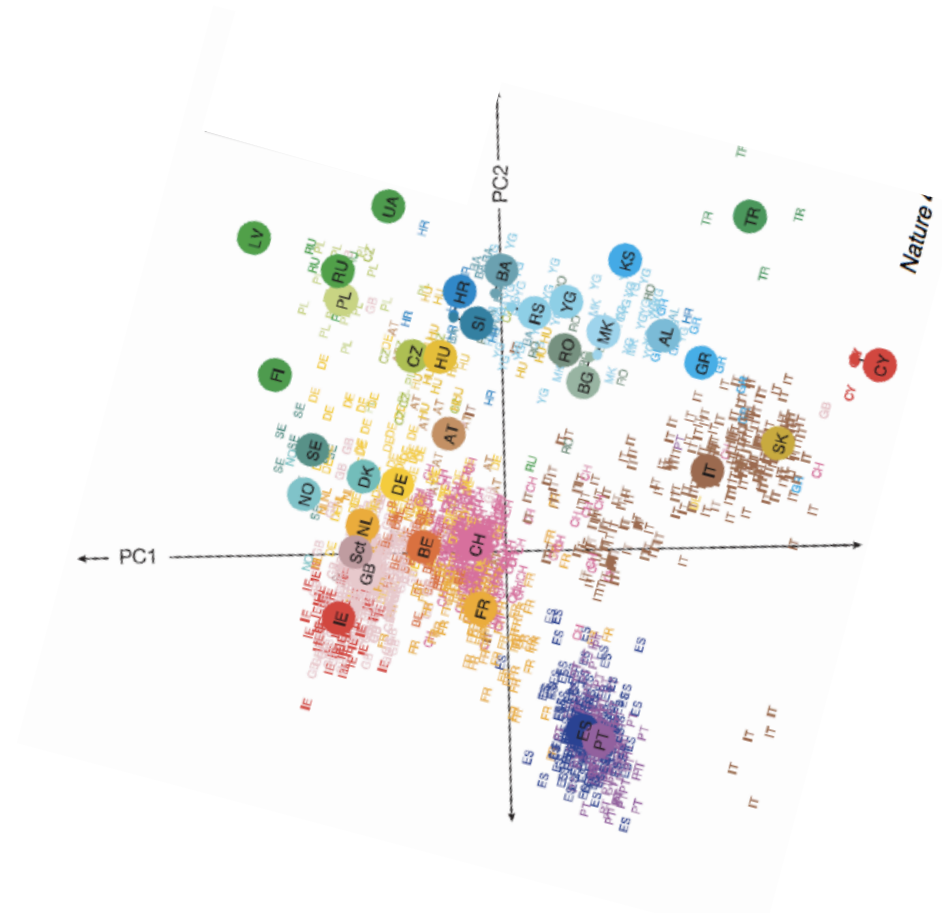


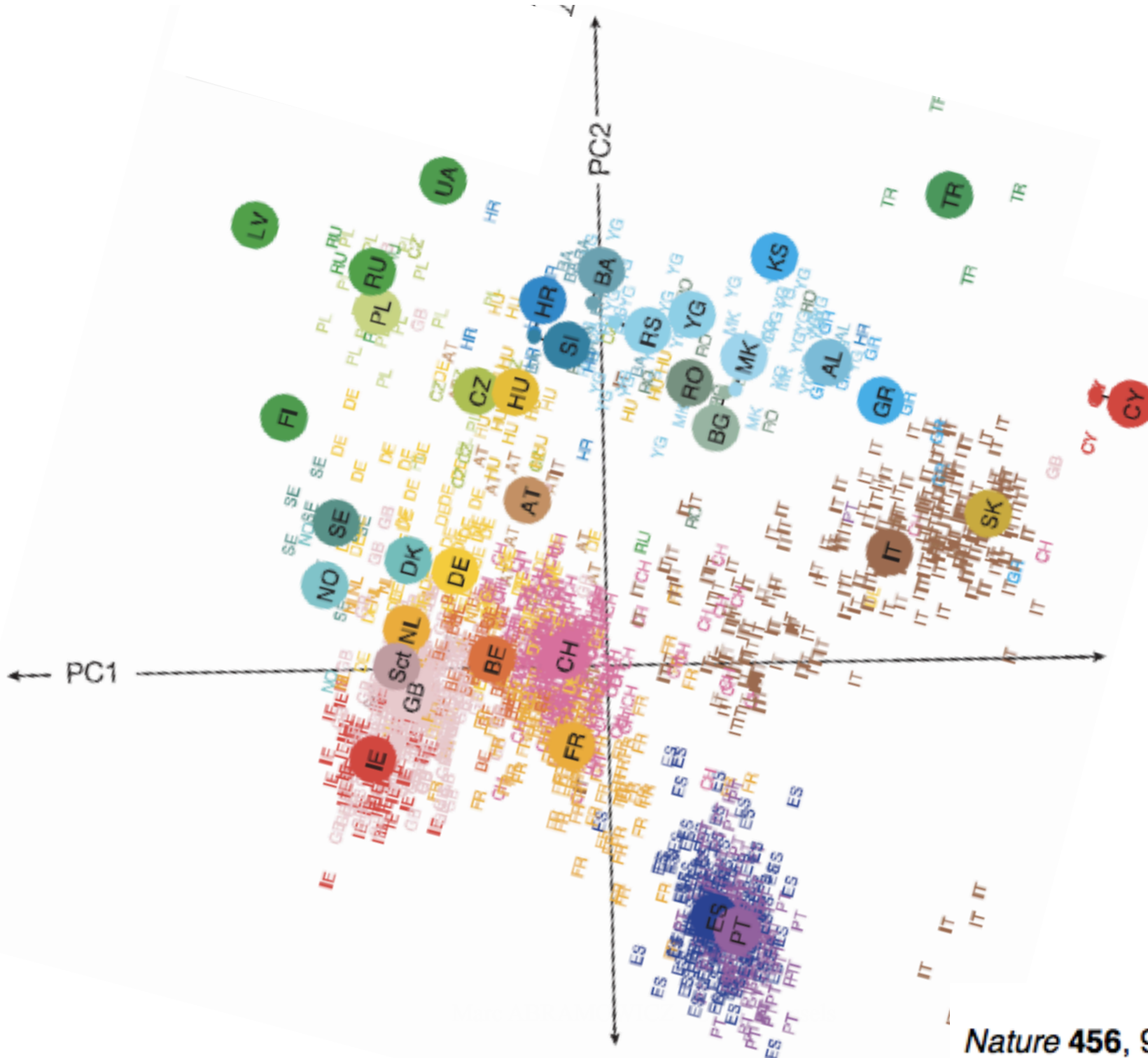
Figure 9-2 Mixed ancestry of a group of Americans who self-identify as African American (AA), European American (EA), and Hispanic American (HA) using ancestry informative markers. Each vertical line represents one individual ((totaling hundreds, as shown by the numbers), and subjects are displayed according to the predominant ancestry contribution to their genomes. Different colors indicate origin from a different geographical origin, as inferred from AIMs, as follows:

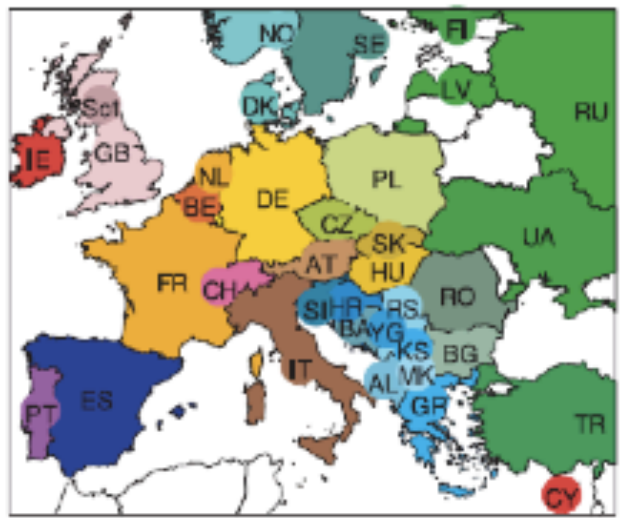
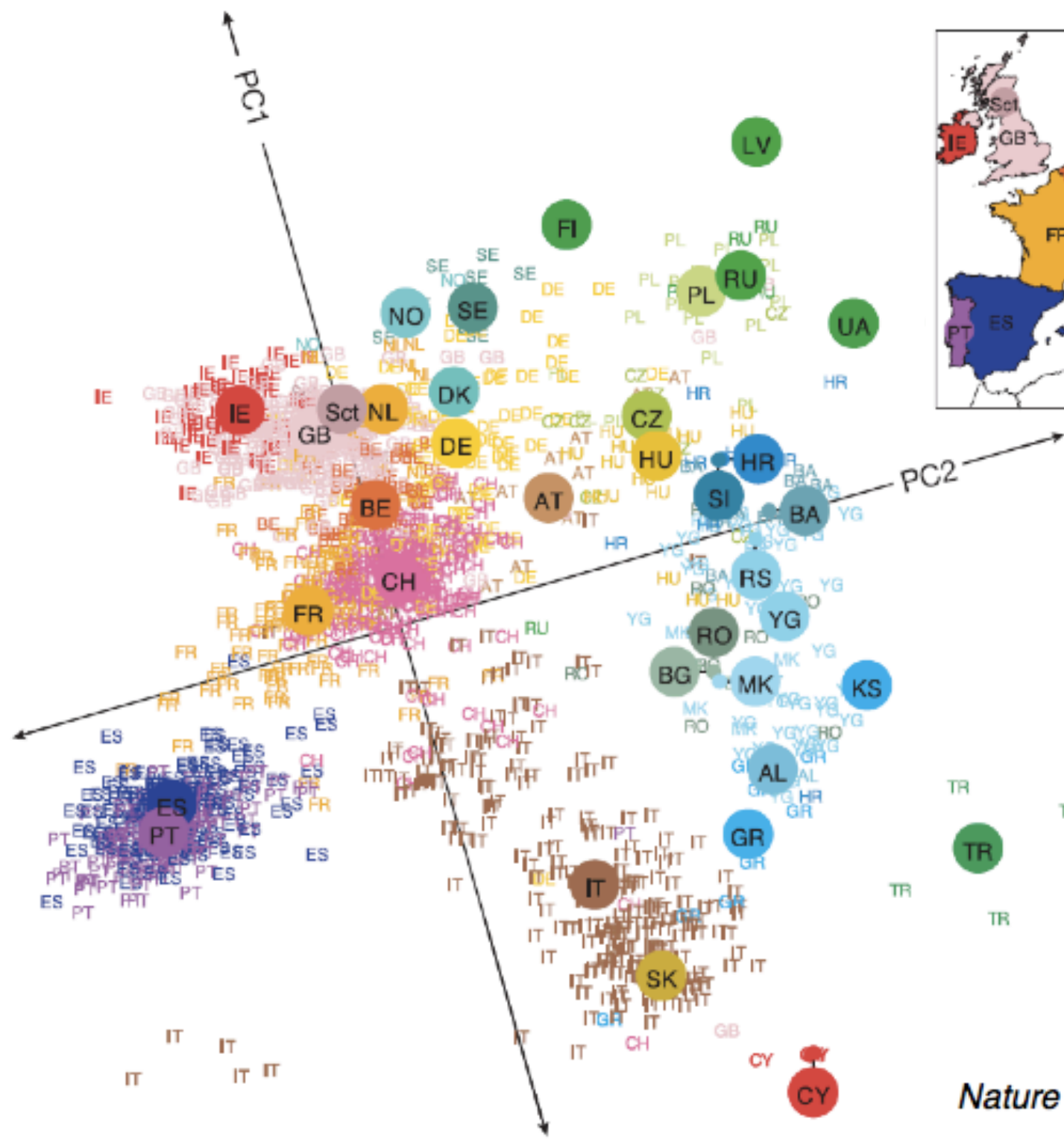
Tell me where I come from: genetic polymorphism reflect geographical origin

Principal Component Analysis

- Start from 250k SNP polymorphisms
- Multivariate analysis
- Generate 2 (or 3) graphical representations of distances between populations = 2 (or 3) eigenvectors







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