

# Bi 122 Midterm Review

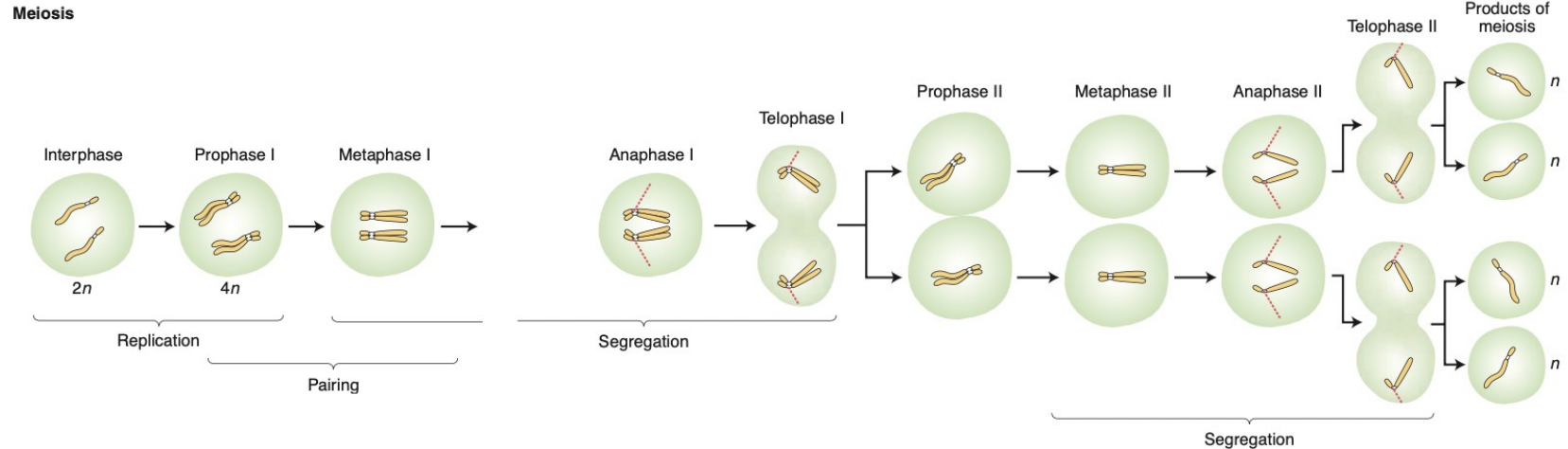
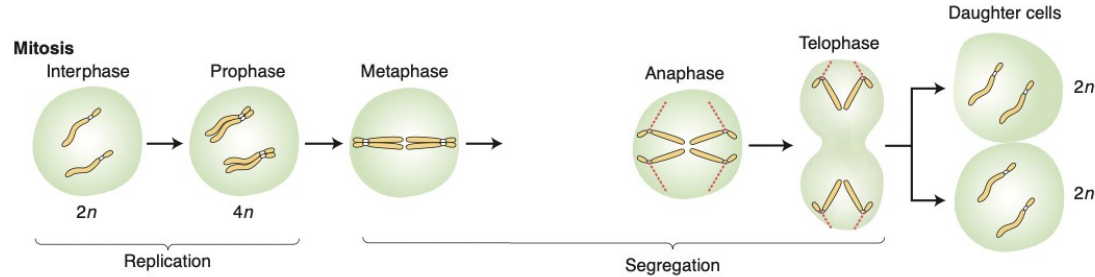
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# Exam Logistics

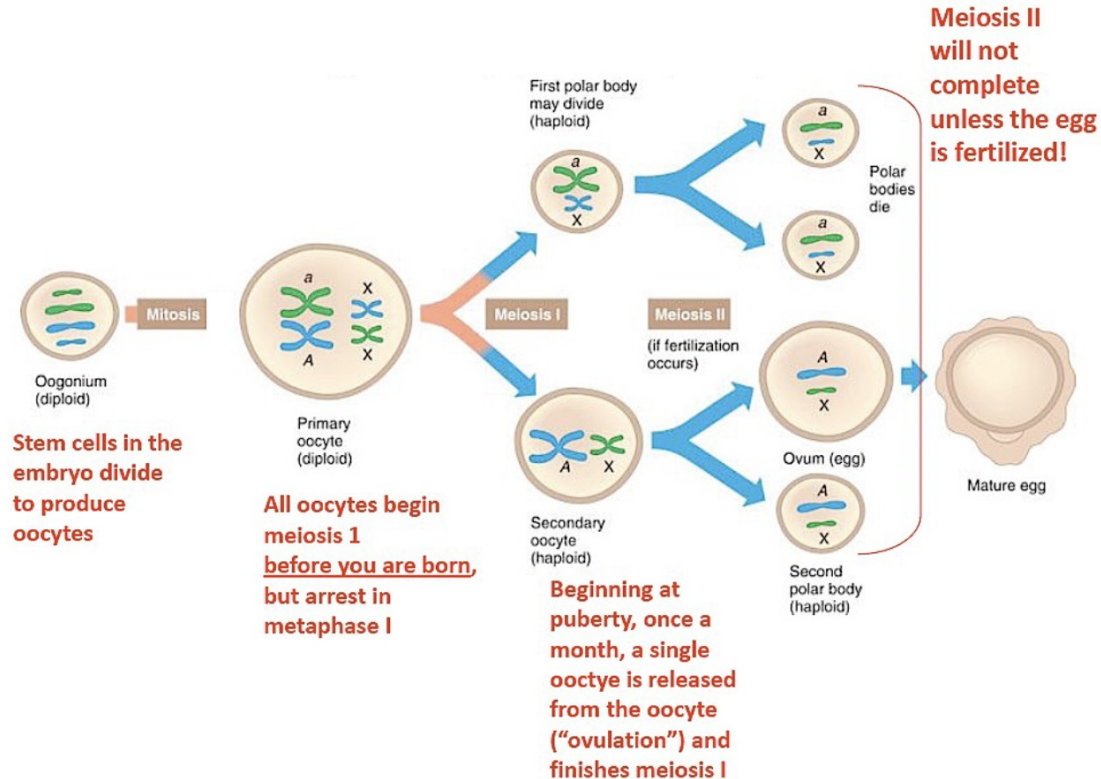
- Midterm exam (Sunday, 11/2 at 1 PM in Chen 100) will cover up to “Lecture 8” that was covered in PSet 4
- **Please arrive at 12:45pm**
- In-person exam is open note, open book; internet and other resources are prohibited, but clarification questions to the TAs are allowed
- Select 4 out of 6 questions to answer, with an optional 5th question for EC (within the 2 hour time limit)
- Breaks during the exam are allowed (i.e. bathroom breaks), but extra time to the exam will not be allotted
- Calculators allowed (you won't need anything past arithmetic operations)

# Mitosis and meiosis

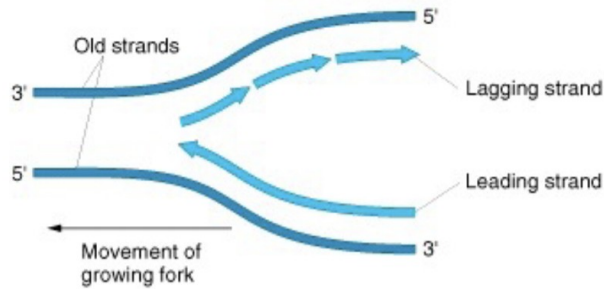
## Key stages of meiosis and mitosis



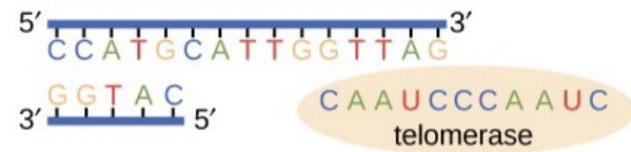
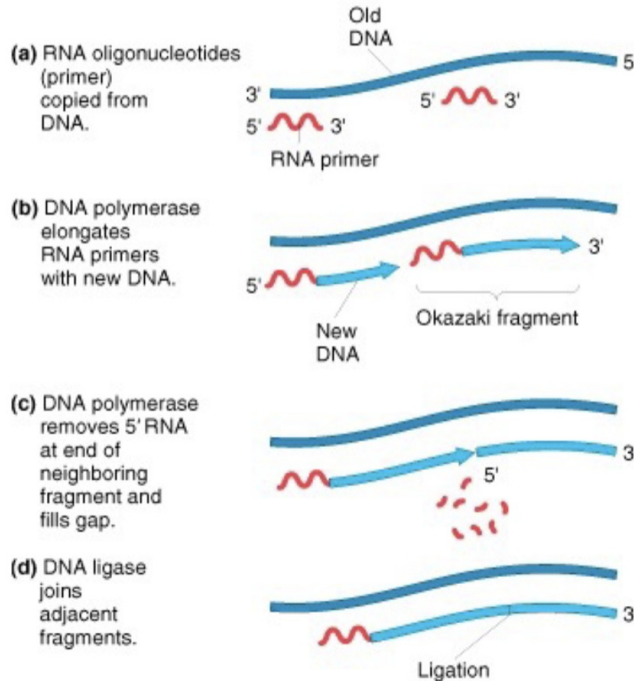
# Polar bodies



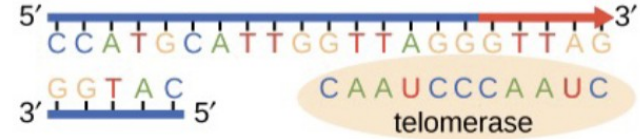
# Telomeres



## Lagging-strand synthesis



Telomerase has an associated RNA that complements the 3' overhang at the end of the chromosome.



The RNA template is used to synthesize the complementary strand.



Telomerase shifts, and the process is repeated.



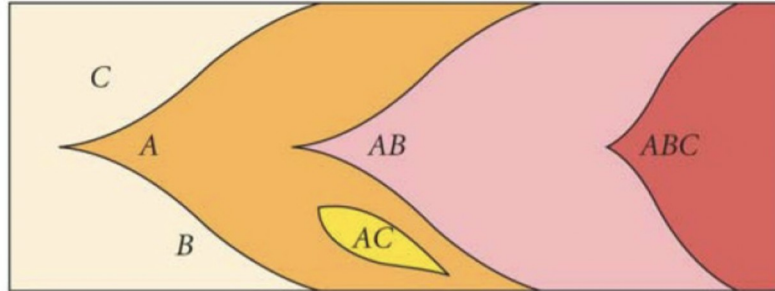
Primase and DNA polymerase synthesize the complementary strand.

# Asexual vs sexual reproduction

**Sex and recombination bring together rare, advantageous gene combinations in the same individual**

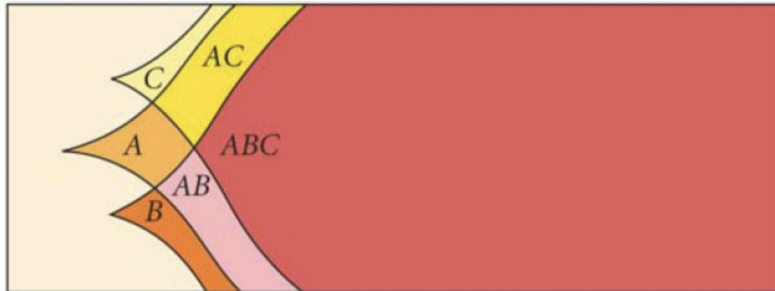
Population 1: Large, asexual

**No sex and  
recombination**



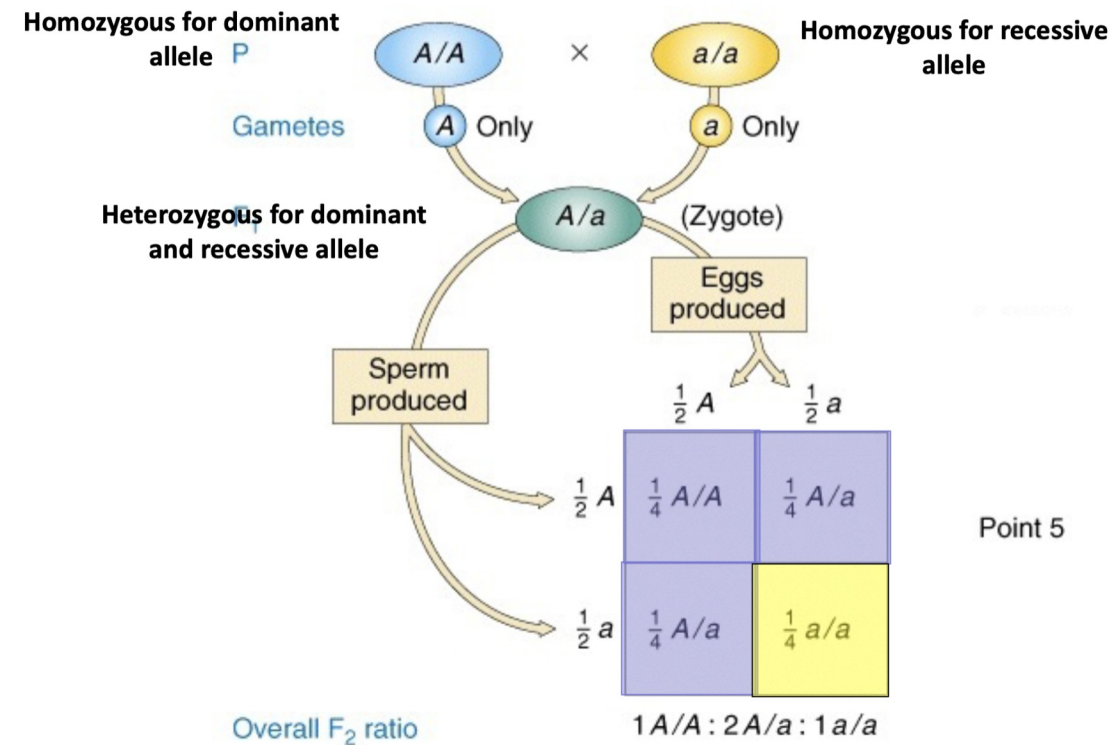
Population 2: Large, sexual

**Sex and  
Recombination**



# Mendelian Genetics

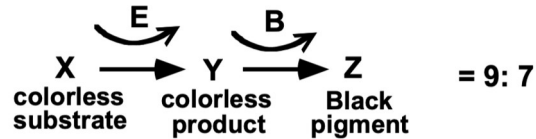
## Independent segregation of A/a locus alleles during meiosis



# Complementation

## Complementary gene action

Dominant alleles from two different genes must be present to produce a particular phenotype.



|    | BE              | Be               | bE               | be               |
|----|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| BE | BBEE<br>(Black) | BBEe<br>(Black)  | BbEE<br>(Black)  | BbEe<br>(Black)  |
| Be | BBeE<br>(Black) | BBee<br>(Golden) | BbeE<br>(Black)  | Bbee<br>(Golden) |
| bE | bBEE<br>(Black) | bBEe<br>(Black)  | bbEE<br>(Golden) | bbEe<br>(Golden) |
| be | bBeE<br>(Black) | bBee<br>(Golden) | bbeE<br>(Golden) | bbee<br>(Golden) |

Notice that if we had a way to distinguish colorless product X from colorless product Y this would be an example of recessive epistasis.

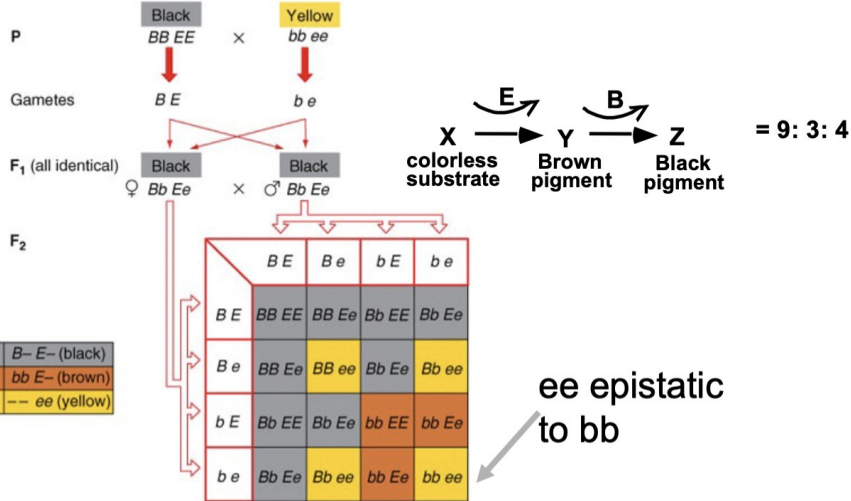


# Epistasis

In epistasis the genotype at one locus masks the ability to determine the genotype at a second locus. Epistasis relationships are often found in biochemical pathways.

## Recessive epistasis

Disruption of an early step in the pathway blocks the ability to determine the genotype with respect to genes involved in later steps

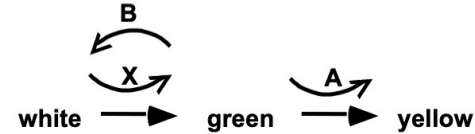


Dominant epistasis produces ratios of 12:3:1 or 13:3

**12:3:1**—A dominant allele in one gene, B, masks the contribution of a second gene, A, (blocks color formation) regardless of the A allele. Thus in  $bb$  individuals the A- and aa genotypes can express themselves, resulting in a total of three different phenotypes.

Dominant epistasis: one possible mechanism

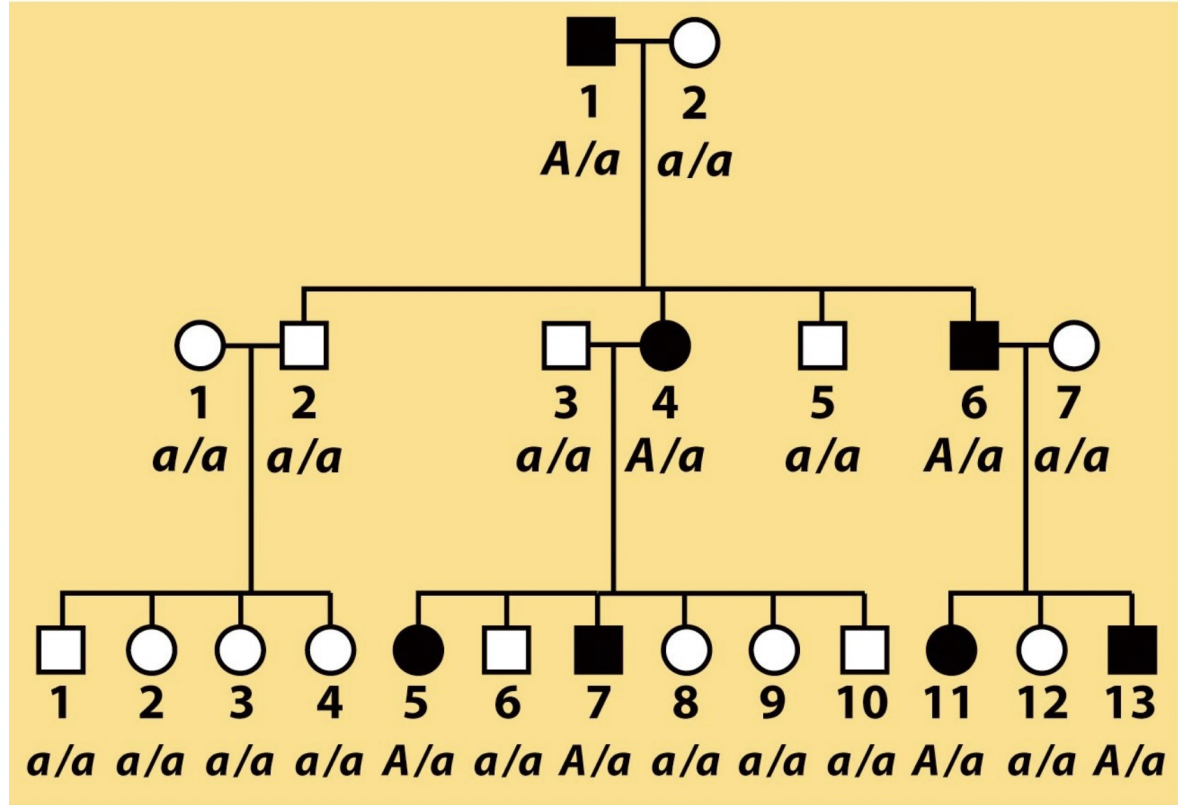
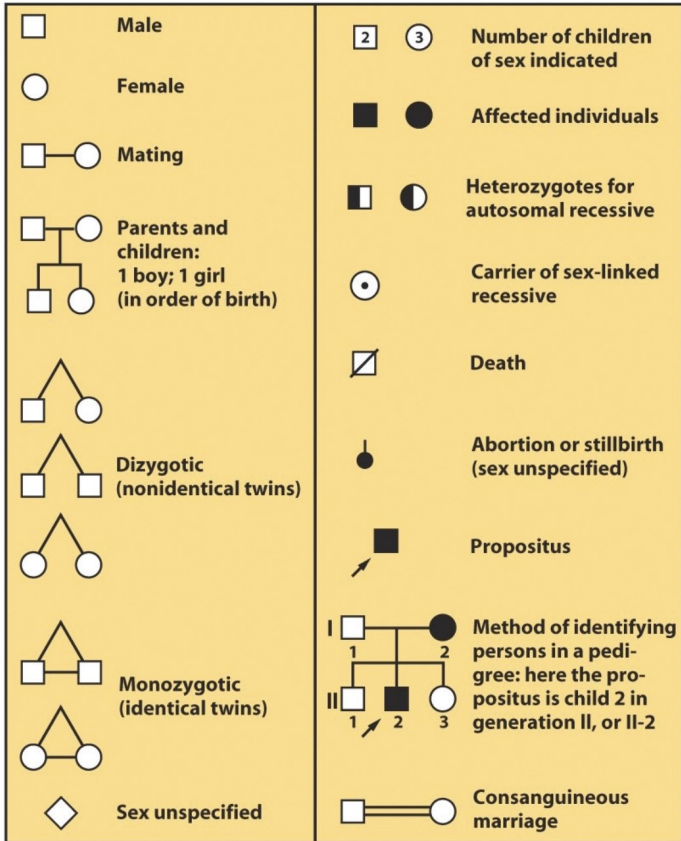
= 12 (white): 3(yellow): 1(green)



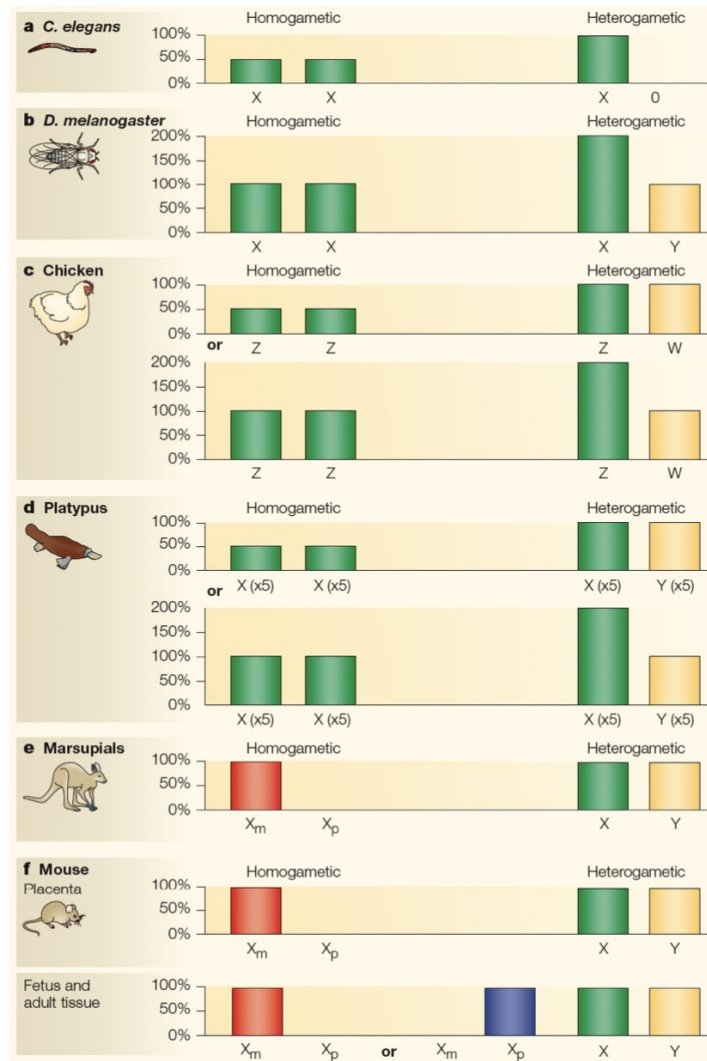
B acts to inhibit the processing of a white precursor into a green product.

In the absence of the B gene product the A product processes the green precursor into a yellow product.

# Pedigrees



# Dosage compensation



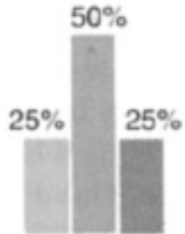
# Quantitative Traits

The number of genes:  $n = 1$

|       | $A^1$ | $A^0$ |
|-------|-------|-------|
| $A^1$ | 2     | 1     |
| $A^0$ | 1     | 0     |

1/4 show either extreme trait.

$$\frac{1}{4^n} = \frac{1}{4^1}$$



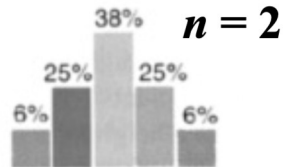
$n = 1$

The number of genes:  $n = 2$

|          | $A^1B^1$ | $A^1B^0$ | $A^0B^1$ | $A^0B^0$ |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| $A^1B^1$ | 4        | 3        | 3        | 2        |
| $A^1B^0$ | 3        | 2        | 2        | 1        |
| $A^0B^1$ | 3        | 2        | 2        | 1        |
| $A^0B^0$ | 2        | 1        | 1        | 0        |

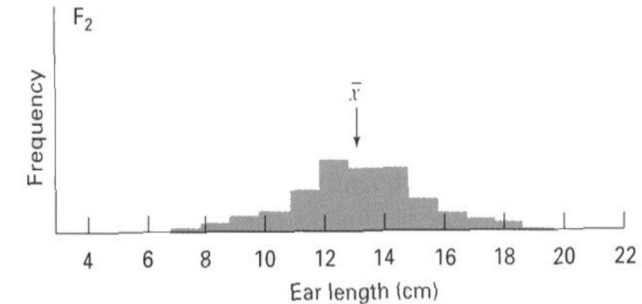
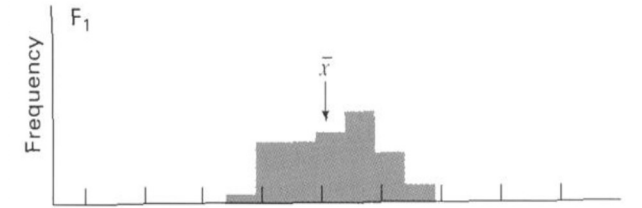
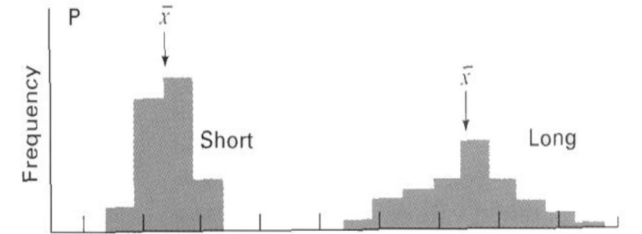
1/16 show either Extreme trait.

$$\frac{1}{4^n} = \frac{1}{16} = \frac{1}{4^2}$$



$n = 2$

b)





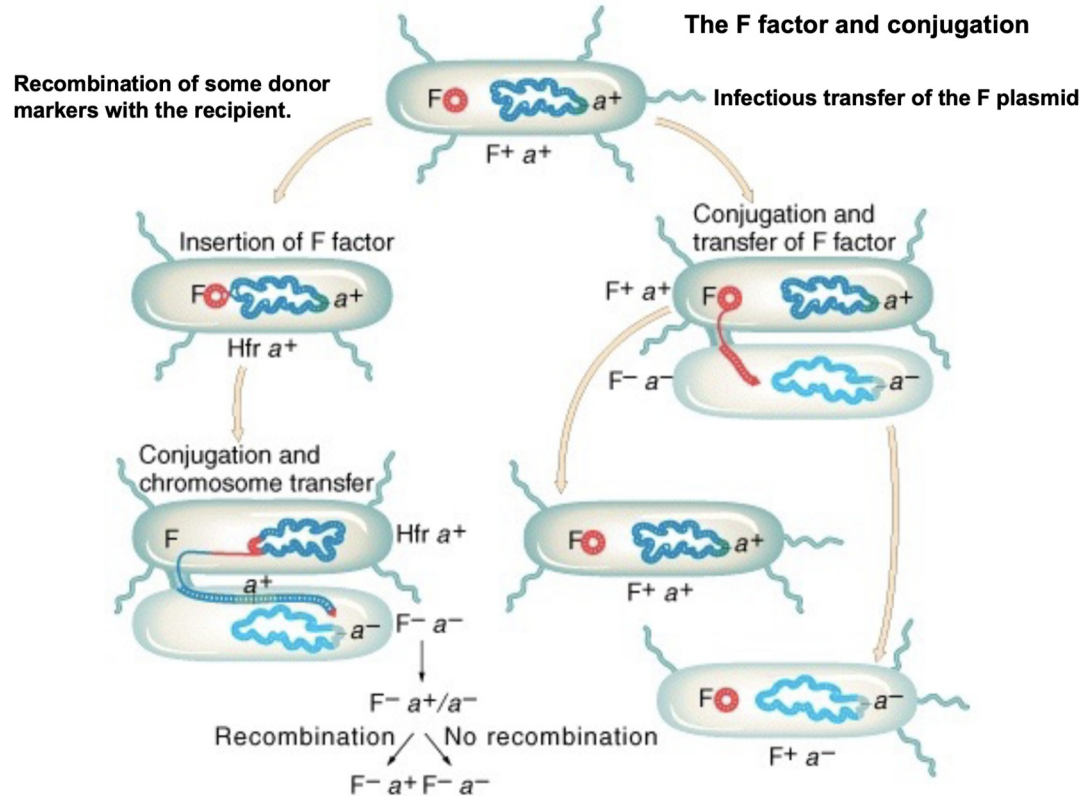
# Chi-squared test

- First determine the number of each phenotype that have been observed and how many would be expected given basic genetic theory.
- Then calculate the chi-square statistic using this formula.
- The “X” is the Greek letter chi; the “ $\sum$ ” is a sigma; it means to sum the following terms for all phenotypes. “obs” is the number of individuals of the given phenotype observed; “exp” is the number of that phenotype expected from the null hypothesis.
- Note that you must use the number of individuals, the counts, and NOT proportions, ratios, or frequencies.

## Formula

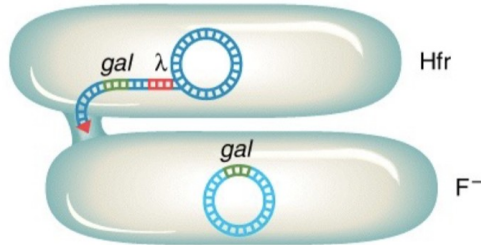
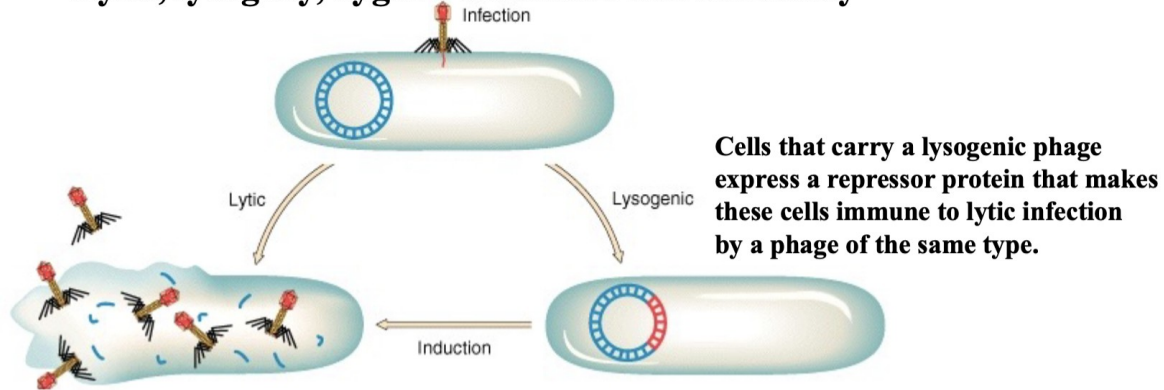
$$\chi^2 = \sum \frac{(obs - exp)^2}{exp}$$

# Gene transfer



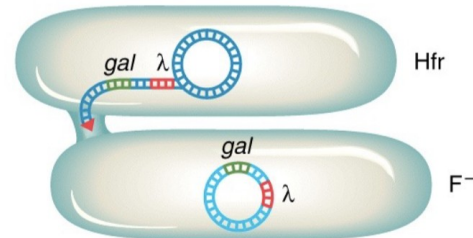
# Phages

## Lysis, lysogeny, zygotic induction and immunity



(a)

Nonimmune  $\Rightarrow$  lysis  
(zygotic induction)



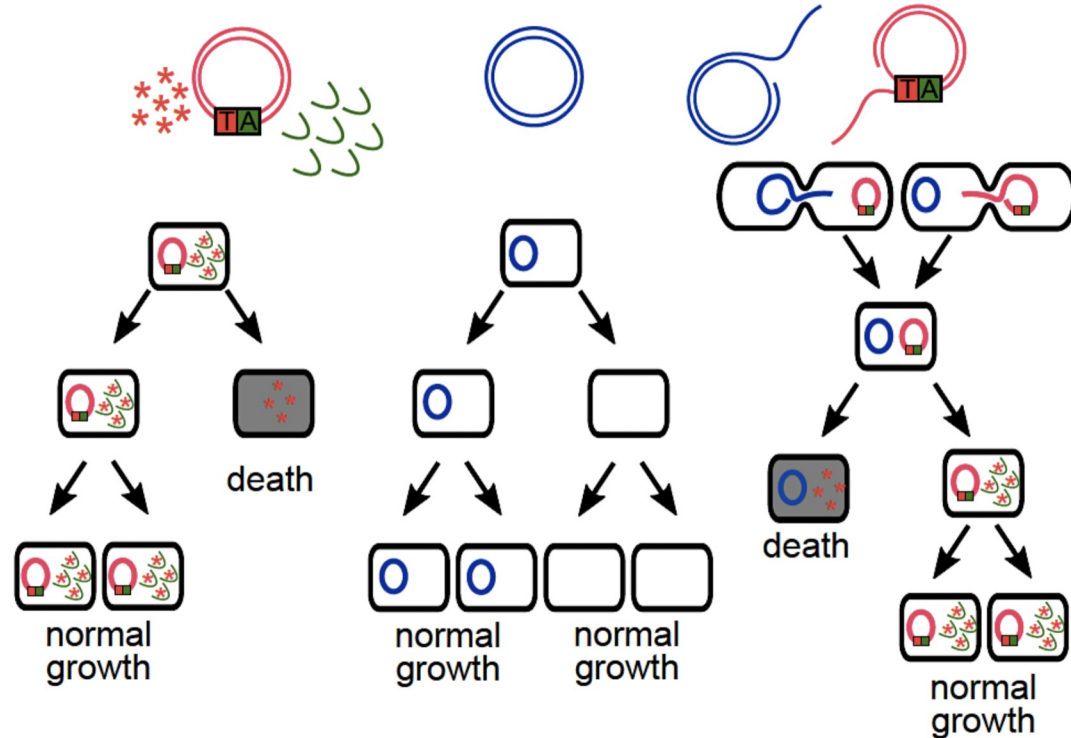
(b)

Immune  $\Rightarrow$  no lysis

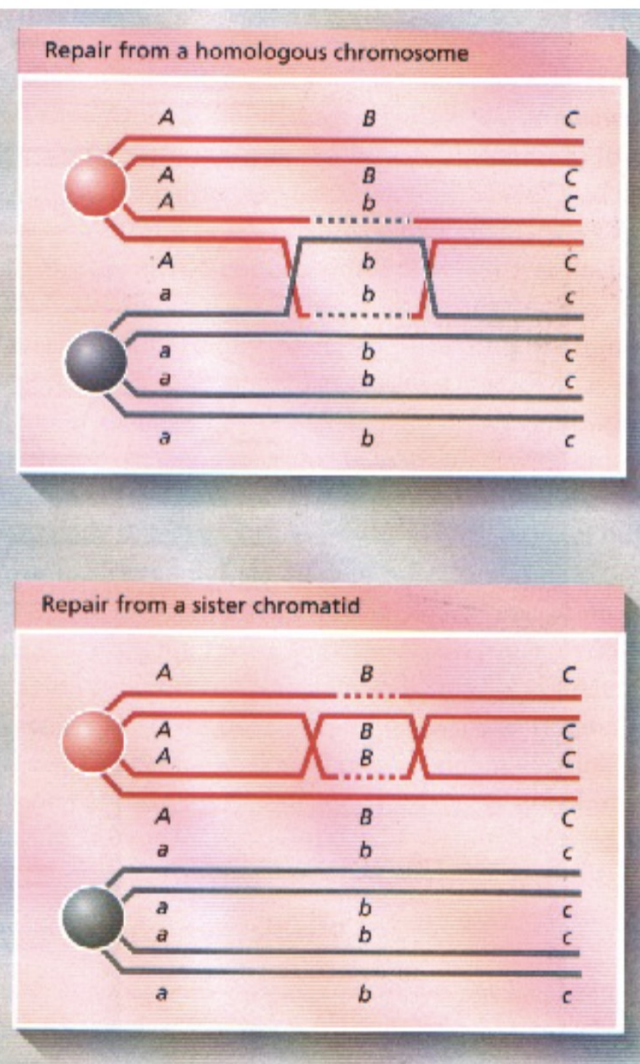


# Toxin-antidote cassettes

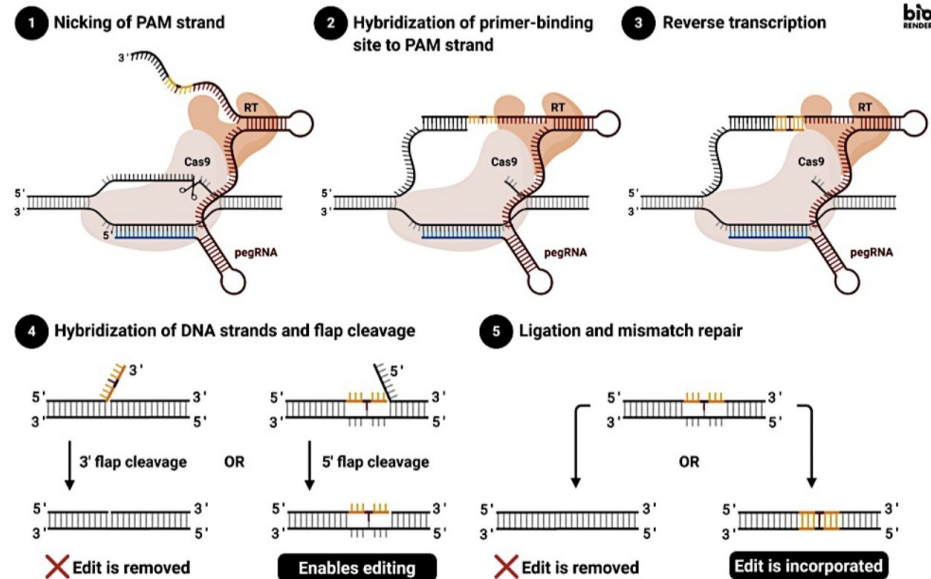
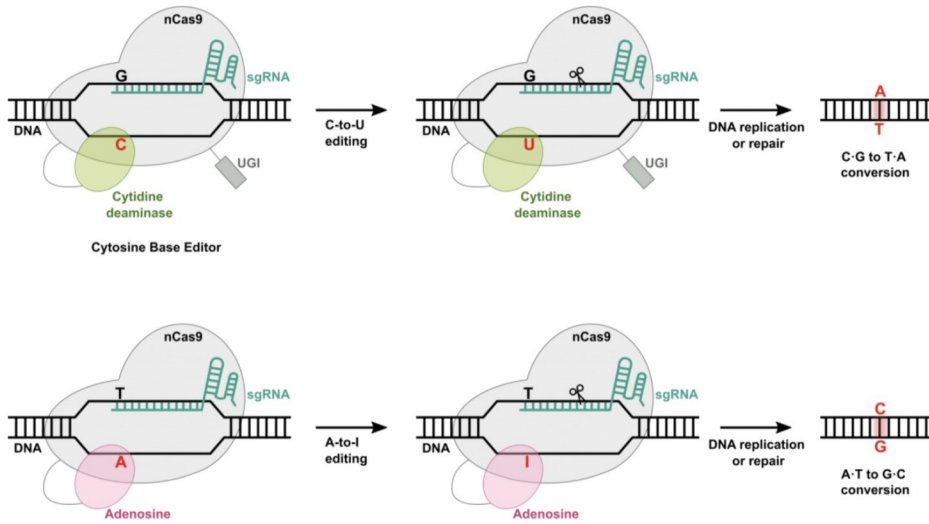
TA cassettes “encourage” their own transmission and kick plasmids of the same incompatibility group that lack them out of the population



# Recombination

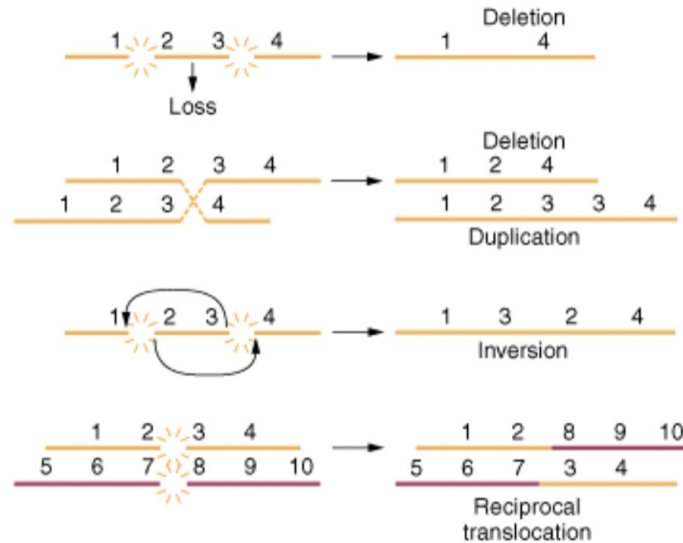


# Gene editing: CRISPR



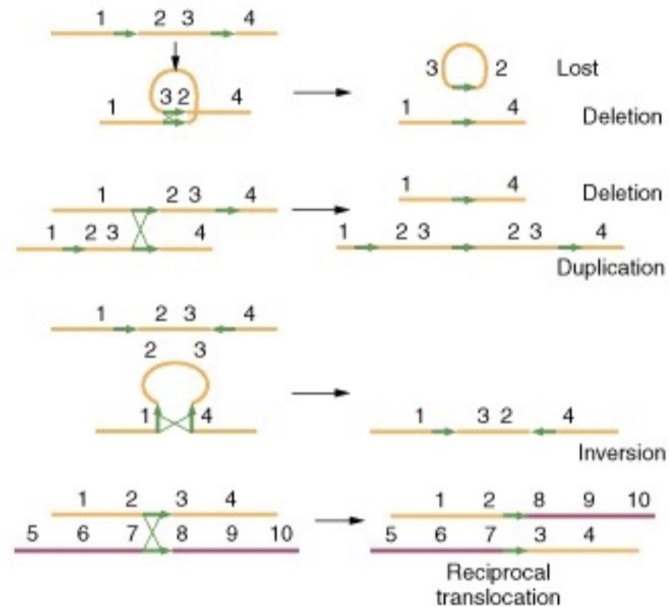
# Chromosomal rearrangements

(a) By breakage and rejoining



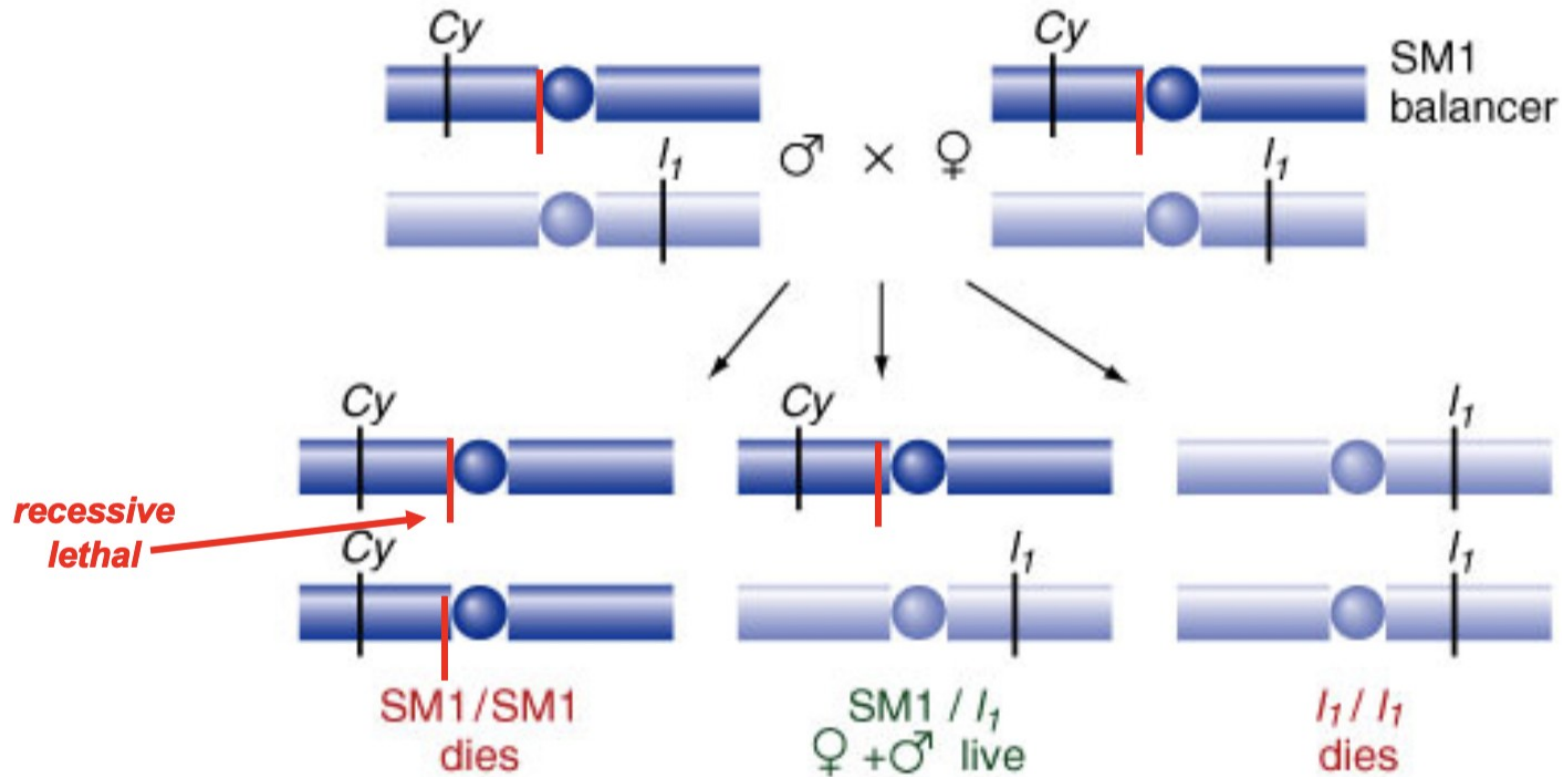
Key: = break  
 = repetitive DNA segments  
 = rejoining  
 = crossover

(b) By crossing-over between repetitive DNA



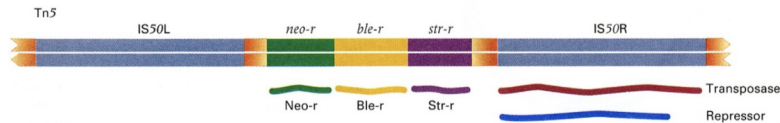
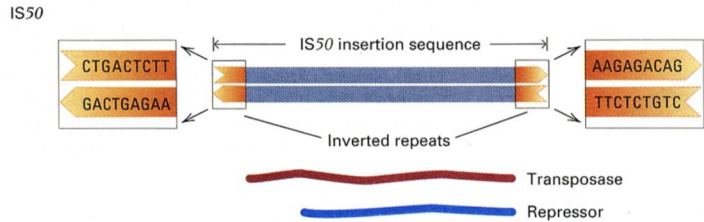
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# Balancer chromosomes



# Transposons

- Recommend reviewing P elements



C gene (wild type) ...

c-m(Ds) (no Ac) ...

c-m(Ds) (+Ac) ...

c-m(Ac) ...

Phenotypes

Pigmented



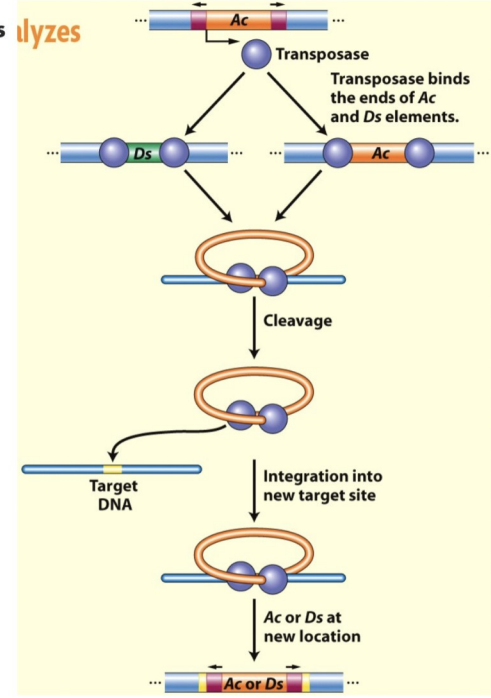
Colorless



Spotted kernels



Spotted kernels



**Transposon art.** Mobile genetic elements caused these prized color patterns in morning glories.