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## Genetics: Mendelian Principles

*Thine eyes have seen  
my unformed substance;  
And in Thy book  
they were all written,  
The days that were ordained  
for me,  
When as yet there was not  
one of them.*

Psalm 139: 16



BIO 100 John E. Silvius, Cedarville College

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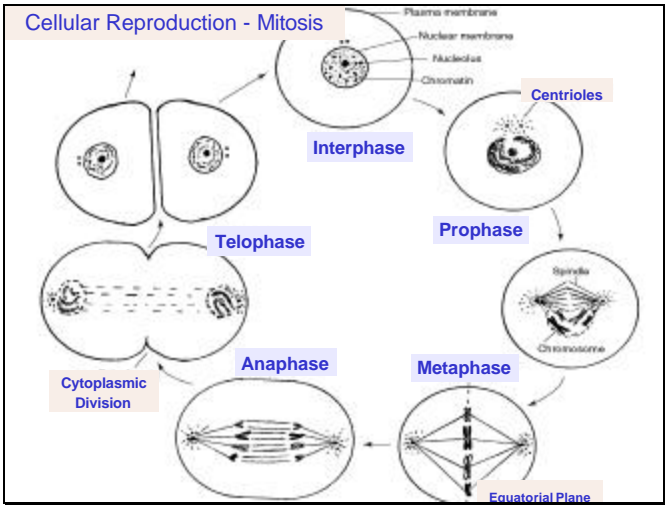
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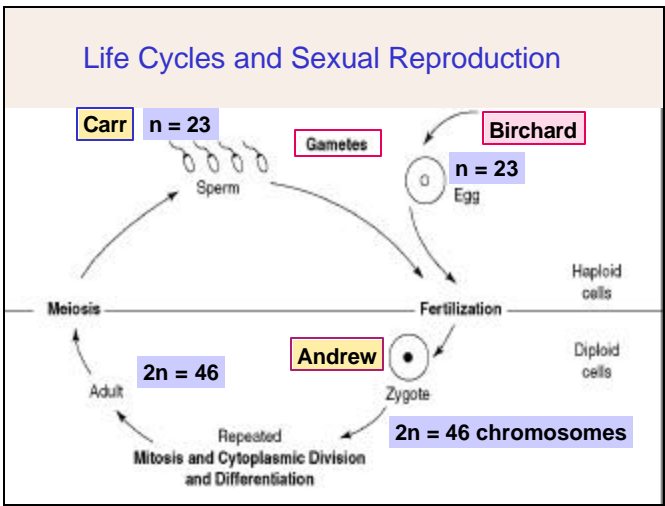
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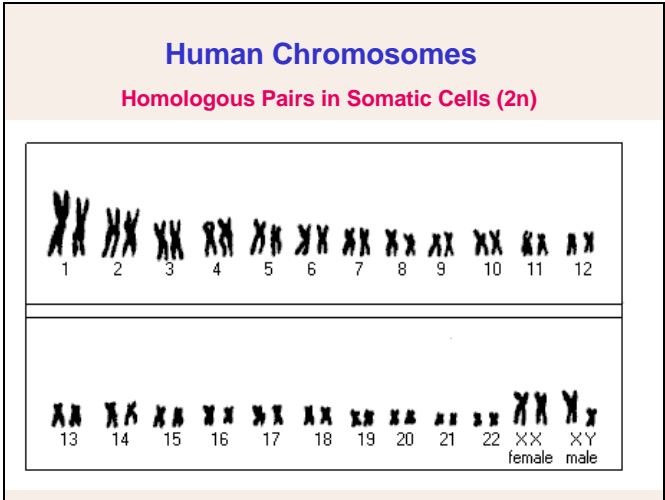
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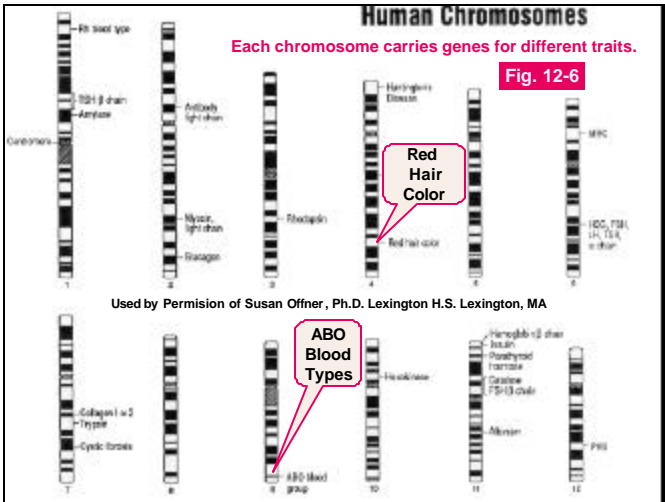
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### What Meiosis Accomplishes:

1. **Reduction of chromosome number by half.**  
2n (diploid) → n (haploid)
2. **Independent Assortment** -- homologous pairing so that both paternal and maternal chromosomes can be present in each resultant gamete.
3. **Crossing over** -- some chromatids exchange between paternal and maternal.

**RESULT:** Genetic continuity across generations,  
Genetic diversity among offspring.

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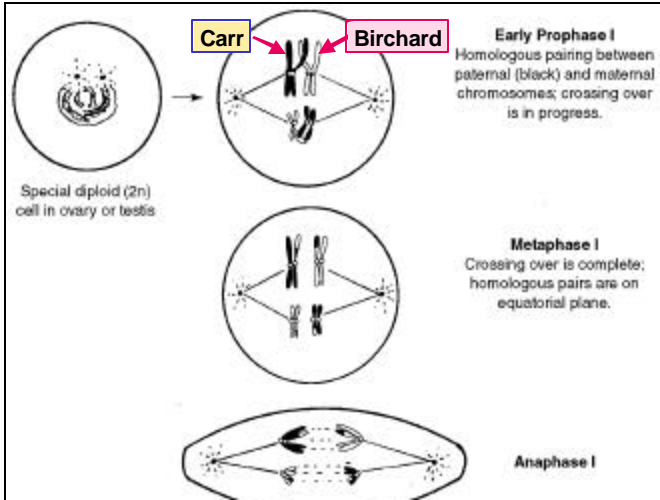
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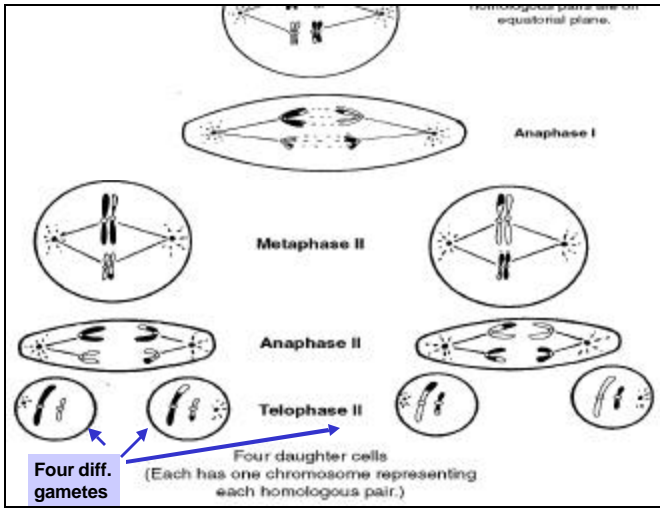
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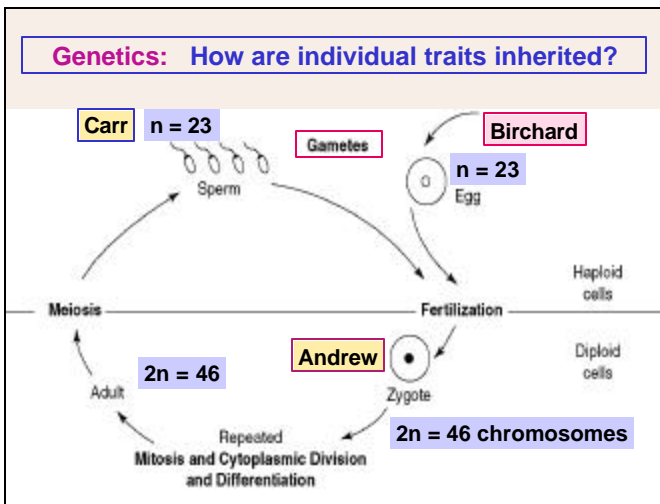
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**GREGOR MENDEL (Austrian Monk, 1822-1884)**

**“Father of Genetics”**

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**Table 12-1. Mendel's Experiments with Garden Peas**

Trait	Dominant	Recessive
SEED SHAPE	smooth	wrinkled
SEED COLOR	yellow	green
POD SHAPE	round	wrinkled
POD COLOR	green	yellow
FLOWER COLOR	purple	white

**PRINCIPLES OF HEREDITY**

**Observation #1:**  
“Many traits have two expressions”

**TRAIT**

A parameter such as shape, color, or height (Nouns)

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STEM	tall	short
FLOWER POSITION	axillary	terminal

**PRINCIPLES OF HEREDITY**

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**PHENOTYPE:**  
An expression of a trait  
(Adjectives)

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**"TWO UNITS"**  
Mendel Predicts the **Diploid Condition**

**ALLELES:**  
"Genes for a given trait"

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**PRINCIPLES OF HEREDITY**

**Observation #2:**  
"Offspring of crosses between two phenotypes often express only one phenotype"

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SEED		
SHAPE		
COLOR		
FLOWER		

**SMOOTH x WRINKLED Seeds**  
↓  
**ALL SMOOTH OFFSPRING**

**PRINCIPLES OF HEREDITY**  
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**PRINCIPLES OF HEREDITY**  
**Observation #2:**  
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**Principle #2:**  
When two factors contrast with each other, one is expressed (**dominant**) and one is masked (**recessive**)

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**Table 12-1. Mendel's Experiments with Garden Peas**

Trait	Dominant	Recessive
SEED		
SHAPE		
COLOR		
FLOWER		

**SMOOTH x WRINKLED**  
**S** ↓ **s**  
**ALL SMOOTH OFFSPRING**  
**Ss**

**GENOTYPE:**  
Symbolic notation for alleles

**PRINCIPLES OF HEREDITY**  
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Trait	Dominant	Recessive
SEED	SMOOTH	WRINKLED
	SS	ss
SMOOTH x WRINKLED		
↓		
ALL SMOOTH OFFSPRING		
	Ss	X Ss
	↙ ↘	
75%		25%
SMOOTH x WRINKLED		

**PRINCIPLES OF HEREDITY**  
**Observation #3:** Wrinkled offspring reappeared in third generation  
**Principle #3:** There is a **segregation** (separation) of hereditary factors during gamete formation  
**NOTE:** Mendel predicts **MEIOSIS!!**

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Dominant	Recessive
SMOOTH	WRINKLED
SS	ss
SMOOTH x WRINKLED	
↓	
ALL SMOOTH OFFSPRING	
	Ss X Ss
	↙ ↘
S	S
S	s
s	S
s	s

**PRINCIPLES OF HEREDITY**  
**Principle #4:** When gametes fuse (**fertilization**) the two factors combine at random.  
**RESULT:** Ratios of phenotypes can be predicted from parental genotypes

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	Ss X Ss
	↙ ↘
S	S
S	s
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s	s

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Dominant      Recessive  
SMOOTH x WRINKLED

**SS**      **ss**

↓

**ALL SMOOTH OFFSPRING**

**Ss** x **Ss**

	S	s
S	SS	Ss
s	sS	ss

**PRINCIPLES OF HEREDITY**

**Principle #4:**  
When gametes fuse (**fertilization**) the two factors combine at random.

**RESULT:**  
Ratios of phenotypes can be predicted from parental genotypes  
(12 smooth : 4 wrinkled)

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**SUMMARY OF MENDEL'S PRINCIPLES**

**Principle #1:**  
Each trait is controlled by two hereditary factors

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**SUMMARY of PRINCIPLES**

**Principle #1: Each trait is controlled by two hereditary factors**

Paternal **n = 23** sperm

Maternal **n = 23** egg

GAMETES

MEIOSIS

FERTILIZATION

Haploid Cells

Diploid Cells

Zygote **2n = 46 chromosomes**

Adult **2n = 46**

Repeated MITOSIS & CYTOPLASMIC DIVISION & DIFFERENTIATION

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**Principle #2:**  
When two factors contrast with each other, one is expressed (**dominant**) and one is masked (**recessive**)

SMOOTH x WRINKLED  
 $SS \downarrow ss$   
 ALL SMOOTH OFFSPRING  
 $Ss \times Ss$   
 75% SMOOTH x 25% WRINKLED

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**Principle #3:**  
There is a **segregation** (separation) of hereditary factors during gamete formation

$SS \downarrow ss$   
 ALL SMOOTH OFFSPRING  
 $Ss \times Ss$

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**Principle #4:**  
When gametes fuse (**fertilization**) the two factors combine at random.

$SS \downarrow ss$   
 ALL SMOOTH OFFSPRING  
 $Ss \times Ss$

	S	s
S	SS	Ss
s	sS	ss

**RESULT:**  
Ratios of phenotypes can be predicted from parental genotypes  
 (12 smooth : 4 wrinkled)  
 or  
 (3 smooth : 1 wrinkled)

**MENDEL'S DATA:**  
 5,474 smooth  
 1,850 wrinkled  
 RATIO = 2.96 : 1

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