

Chapter 9 Fundamentals of Genetics

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Gregor Mendel, *continued*

- **Mendel's Garden Peas**
 - Mendel observed characteristics of pea plants.
 - Traits are genetically determined variants of a characteristic.
 - Each characteristic occurred in two contrasting traits.



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Objectives

- **Describe** how Mendel was able to control how his pea plants were pollinated.
- **Describe** the steps in Mendel's experiments on true-breeding garden peas.
- **Distinguish** between dominant and recessive traits.
- **State** two laws of heredity that were developed from Mendel's work.
- **Describe** how Mendel's results can be explained by scientific knowledge of genes and chromosomes.



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Gregor Mendel, *continued*

- **Mendel's Methods**
 - Mendel used **cross-pollination** techniques in which pollen is transferred between flowers of two different plants.



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Gregor Mendel

- The study of how characteristics are transmitted from parents to offspring is called **genetics**.



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Mendel's Experiments

- Mendel bred plants for several generations that were true-breeding for specific traits and called these the **P generation**.
- Offspring of the P generation were called the **F₁ generation**.
- Offspring of the F₁ generation were called the **F₂ generation**.



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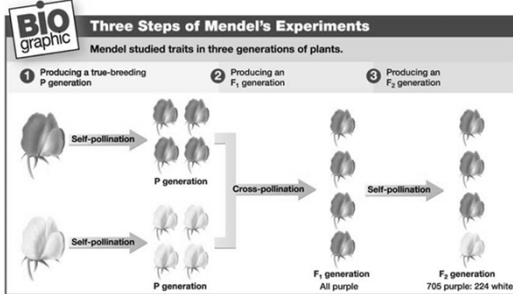
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Three Steps of Mendel's Experiments



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Mendel's Results and Conclusions, *continued*

- **The Law of Independent Assortment**
 - The **law of independent assortment** states that factors for individual characteristics are distributed to gametes independent of one another.
 - The law of independent assortment is observed only for genes that are located on separate chromosomes or are far apart on the same chromosome.



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Mendel's Results and Conclusions

- **Recessive and Dominant Traits**
 - Mendel concluded that inherited characteristics are controlled by factors that occur in pairs.
 - In his experiments on pea plants, one factor in a pair masked the other. The trait that masked the other was called the **dominant** trait. The trait that was masked was called the **recessive** trait.



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Support for Mendel's Conclusions

- We now know that the factors that Mendel studied are **alleles**, or alternative forms of a gene.
- One allele for each trait is passed from each parent to the offspring.



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Mendel's Results and Conclusions, *continued*

- **The Law of Segregation**
 - The **law of segregation** states that a pair of factors is segregated, or separated, during the formation of gametes.



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Section 2 Genetic Crosses

Objectives

- **Differentiate** between the genotype and the phenotype of an organism.
- **Explain** how probability is used to predict the results of genetic crosses.
- **Use** a Punnett square to predict the results of monohybrid and dihybrid genetic crosses.
- **Explain** how a testcross is used to show the genotype of an individual whose phenotype expresses the dominant trait.
- **Differentiate** a monohybrid cross from a dihybrid cross.



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Genotype and Phenotype

- The **genotype** is the genetic makeup of an organism.
- The **phenotype** is the appearance of an organism.



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Monohybrid Cross of Heterozygous Plants


Crossing two pea plants that are heterozygous for seed color (Yy) will produce offspring in the ratio shown in the Punnett square.

	Y	y
Y	YY	Yy
y	Yy	yy

$\frac{1}{4}$ = YY (Homozygous dominant)

$\frac{2}{4}$ = Yy (Heterozygous)

$\frac{1}{4}$ = yy (Homozygous recessive)



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Probability

- Probability** is the likelihood that a specific event will occur.
- A probability may be expressed as a decimal, a percentage, or a fraction.



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Predicting Results of Monohybrid Crosses, *continued*

- A **testcross**, in which an individual of unknown genotype is crossed with a homozygous recessive individual, can be used to determine the genotype of an individual whose phenotype expresses the dominant trait.



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Predicting Results of Monohybrid Crosses

- A **Punnett square** can be used to predict the outcome of genetic crosses.
- A cross in which one characteristic is tracked is a **monohybrid cross**.



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Predicting Results of Monohybrid Crosses, *continued*

- Complete dominance** occurs when heterozygous individuals and dominant homozygous individuals are indistinguishable in phenotype.



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- **Incomplete dominance** occurs when two or more alleles influence the phenotype and results in a phenotype intermediate between the dominant trait and the recessive trait.



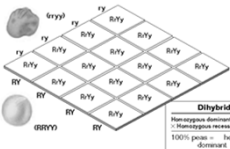
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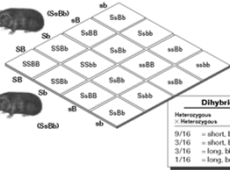
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Dihybrid Crosses




Dihybrid Cross
 Heterozygous dominant (RRYy...ryy)
 Heterozygous recessive (rrYY...rryy)
 100% pure = heterozygous dominant



Dihybrid Cross
 Heterozygous (SsBb) (black, long)
 Heterozygous (ssbb) (brown, short)

9/16 = short, black hair
 3/16 = short, brown hair
 3/16 = long, black hair
 1/16 = long, brown hair



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Predicting Results of Monohybrid Crosses, *continued*

- **Codominance** occurs when both alleles for a gene are expressed in a heterozygous offspring.



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Predicting Results of Dihybrid Crosses

- A cross in which two characteristics are tracked is a **dihybrid cross**.



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