

# Chromosome Diseases

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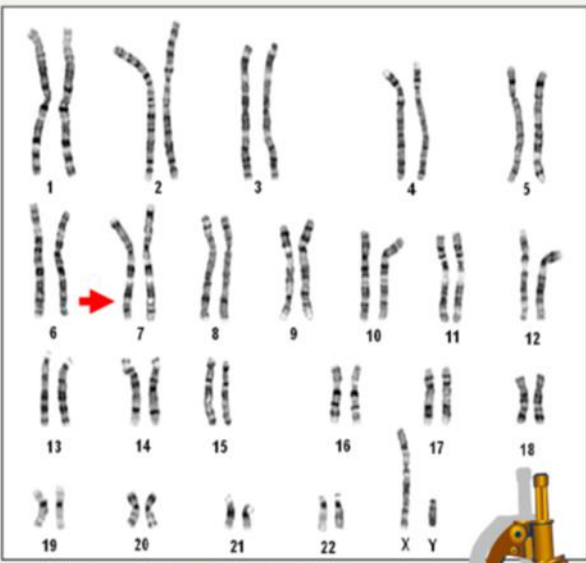


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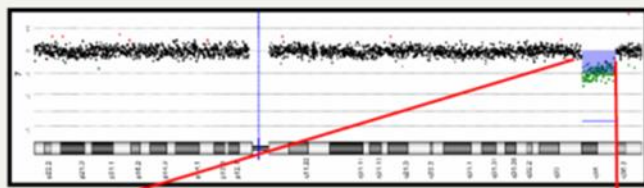
# EVOLUTION OF G-BANDING TO MICROARRAY

G-band designation  
(subjective)  
**7q34 (+/- a band)**

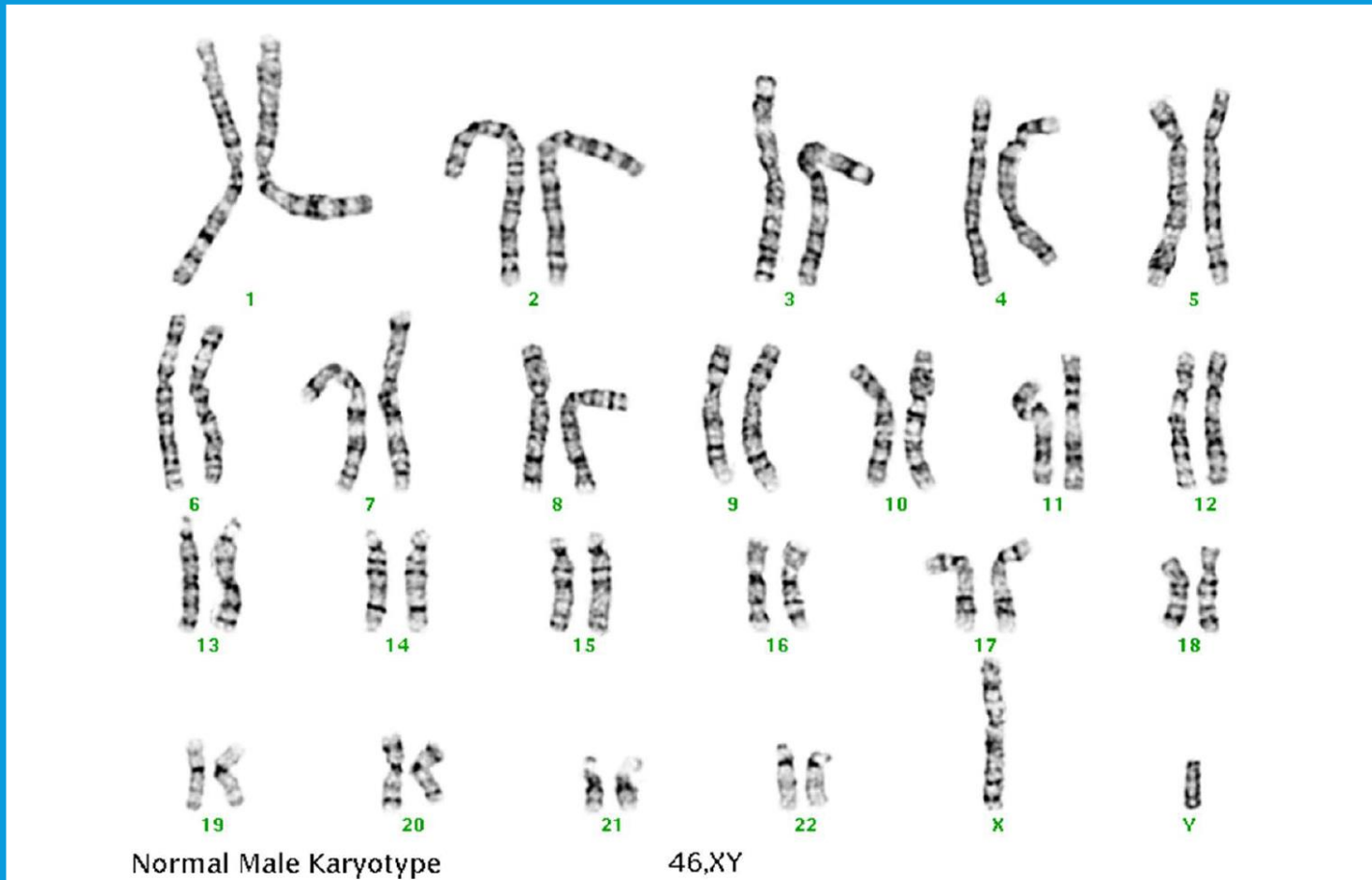
vs.  
Array mapping  
(objective)  
**7q35 – q36.1**



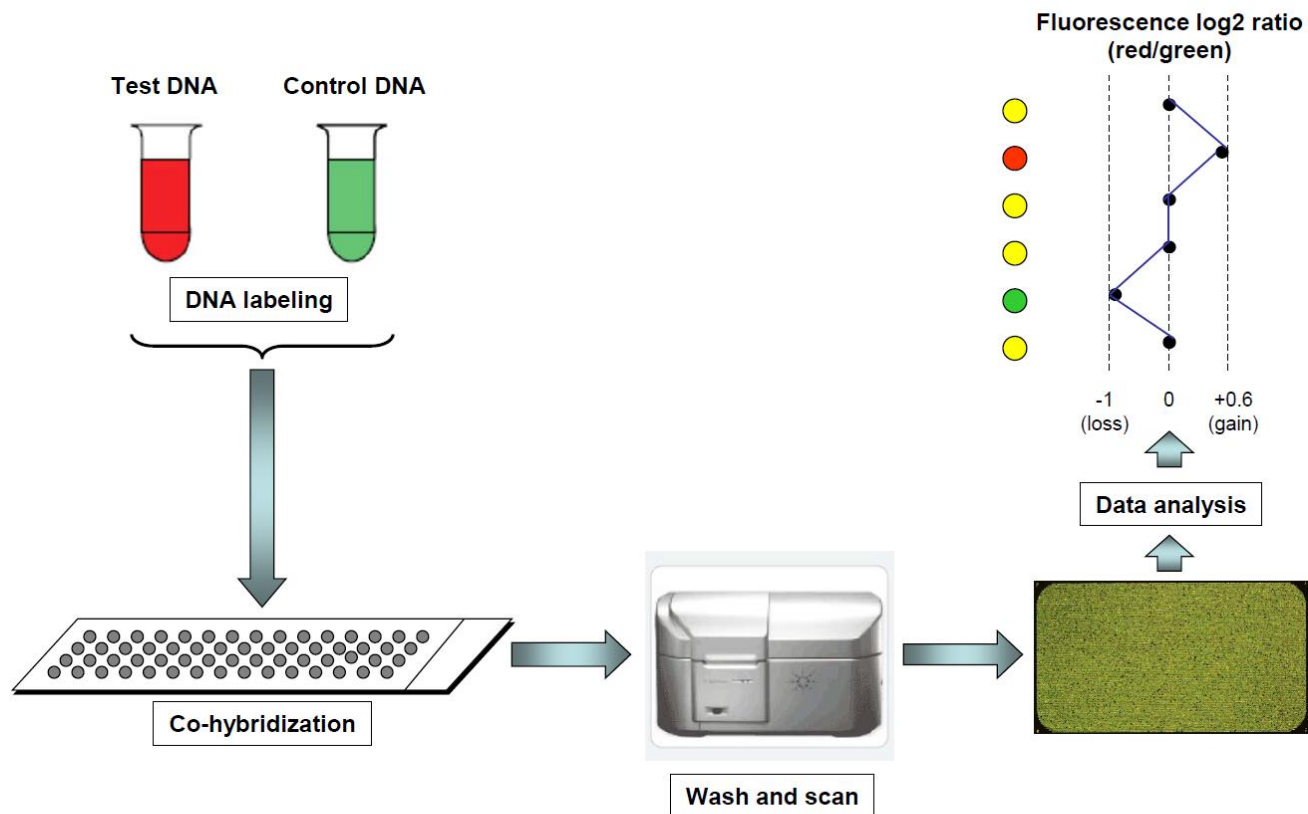
Karyotype courtesy of N.L. Chia  
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# G-BANDED CHROMOSOME ANALYSIS



# ARRAY COMPARATIVE GENOMIC HYBRIDIZATION (ARRAY CGH)



# SEX CHROMOSOME ANEUPLOIDY

<u>Karyotype</u>	<u>Incidence</u>	<u>Name</u>
45,X	(1/3000)	Turner syndrome
47,XXX	(1/1000)	Trisomy X
47,XXY	(1/1000)	Klinefelter syndrome
47,XYY	(1/1500)	47,XYY syndrome

# TURNER SYNDROME (45,X)

**Responsible genes:** X genes that escape inactivation, *SHOX*

**Proteins:** *SHOX*: Short stature homeobox protein

**Cytogenetic locus:** *SHOX*: Xpter-p22.32

**Inheritance:** sporadic

**Clinical Features and Diagnostic Criteria:** congenital lymphedema, growth failure, normal intelligence (10% sig delays), coarctation of the aorta, bicuspid aortic valve, HLHS, hyperlipidemia, gonadal dysgenesis (10% 45,X go into puberty), hypothyroidism, diabetes, strabismus, recurrent OM, SNHL, Crohns, renal malformation, osteoporosis.

**Clinical Tests:** echo, renal US, TFTs, GH testing, FISH SRY

**Molecular Tests:** Karyotype

**Disease Mechanism:** *SHOX*: thought to act as a transcription regulator with many downstream targets that modify growth and stature. *SHOX* protein has been id'ed in the growth plate from 12 weeks GA to late childhood.

**Treatment/Prognosis:** GH, HRT, gonadectomy if Y chromosome mosaicism (risk for gonadoblastoma). Need lifelong cardiac follow-up, at risk for aortic dilation and dissection with bicuspid aortic valve.

# TURNER SYNDROME (45,X)

Low posterior hairline and neck webbing



[www.healthofchildren.com](http://www.healthofchildren.com)

Hypertelorism and low set ears



[www.tsregistry.org/images](http://www.tsregistry.org/images)

# KLINEFELTER SYNDROME (47,XXY)

**Clinical Features and Diagnostic Criteria:** Tall stature, slightly delayed motor and language skills, inc learning probs, testosterone plateaus age 14, small fibrosed testes, azoospermia and infertility, gynecomastia, inc cholesterol, slightly inc risk of autoimmune disorders and mediastinal germ cell tumors (1% risk). Increased risk of male breast cancer.

**Clinical Tests:**

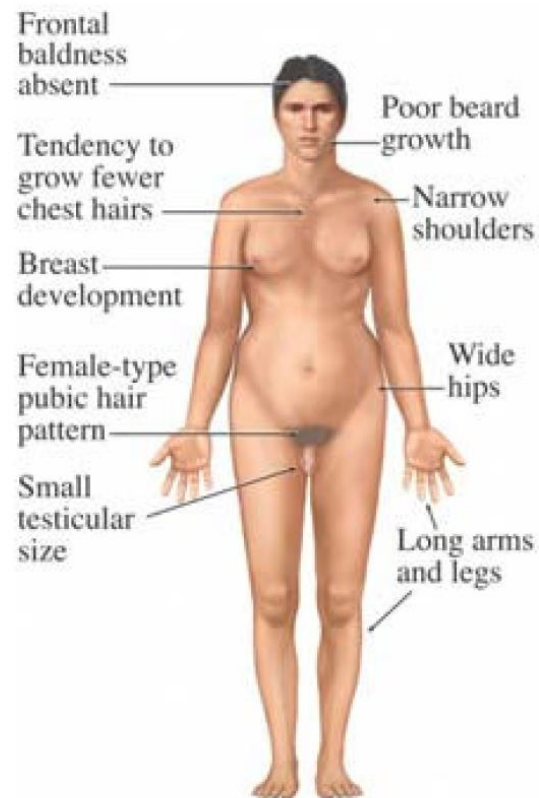
**Molecular Tests:** karyotype, at least one extra chromosome to a 46,XY  
Karyotype

**Disease Mechanism:** 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> meiotic division nondisjunction of either parent. Maternal>paternal origin. +AMA effect

**Treatment/Prognosis:** Testosterone in mid-late adolescence for bone density, secondary sex characteristic development, muscle mass, cholesterol increase libido, improved energy. Can do testicular biopsy and use any retrieved sperm for ICSI (inc risk sex chrom abnormality so follow with PGD)



# KLINEFELTER SYNDROME (47,XXY)



[health.yahoo.com/media/healthwise/nr551770](http://health.yahoo.com/media/healthwise/nr551770)

# TRISOMY X OR TRIPLE X SYNDROME (47,XXX)

- The most common sex chromosome abnormality in females.
- Most individuals are diagnosed incidentally on prenatal genetic screening.
- Do not appear to be at increased risk of having chromosomally abnormal offspring .
- 62 percent (155 pts) were physically normal.
- Most individuals with 47,XXX are never diagnosed.
- Have a tendency to be tall, with many reaching the 80th percentile in height by adolescence, but with an average head circumference between the 25th to 35th percentile.
- Puberty and fertility are generally the normal range, but premature ovarian failure can occur.
- Prospective study shows that their verbal and performance IQ scores were 15 to 20 points lower than those of their siblings. Thus, monitoring for developmental delays and psychologic problems is recommended.

# DOUBLE Y SYNDROME (47,XYY)

- Have tall stature and may have mild delay in motor and language development.
- **A significant proportion of XYY males require special educational intervention but are generally educated in mainstream school settings.**
- Normal pubertal development, and most are fertile. Due to the subtlety of the phenotype and lack of associated health problems, many individuals with 47,XYY remain undiagnosed throughout their lifespan.
- **Increased rate of antisocial behavior in XYY males was related to a lack of judgment and lower socioeconomic status due to a lower mean intelligence quotient (IQ) score (by 10 points), which led them into difficulties with the law and involvement in minor crimes.**
- Higher rates of attention deficit hyperactivity disorder and autism spectrum disorders are reported in 47,XYY. A neurodevelopmental evaluation is recommended in patients diagnosed with 47,XYY, given the high prevalence of learning disabilities and behavioral problems.

# COMMON CHROMOSOME ABNORMALITIES

## Abnormality

## Birth Frequency

Trisomy 21

1 in 800

Trisomy 18

1 in 6000

Trisomy 13

1 in 10000

47,XXY (Klinefelter synd.)

1 in 1000 males

47,XYY

1 in 1000 males

47,XXX

1 in 1000 females

45,X (Turner synd.)

1 in 5000 females

# TRISOMY 21 (DOWN SYNDROME)

**Cytogenetic locus (loci):** (21.22.1-22.2 has been called the DS critical region though there have been cases of duplication outside of this region who manifest DS)

**Inheritance:** 95% de novo, 5% due to Robertsonian translocation or isochromosome 21

**Clinical Features and Diagnostic Criteria:** mild-mod ID, hypotonia, growth delay, strabismus, adult cataracts, myopia, conductive HL, macroglossia, hypodontia, joint hyperflexibility, hypogenitalism, congenital heart defect, duodenal atresia, hirschprung, thyroid disease, early onset Alzheimers, transient myeloproliferation, ALL

**Clinical Tests:** prenatal US abnormalities detected in 50%, maternal serum screen: high free beta HCG, low PAPP-A,

**Molecular Tests:** maternal fetal free DNA testing, karyotype is diagnostic

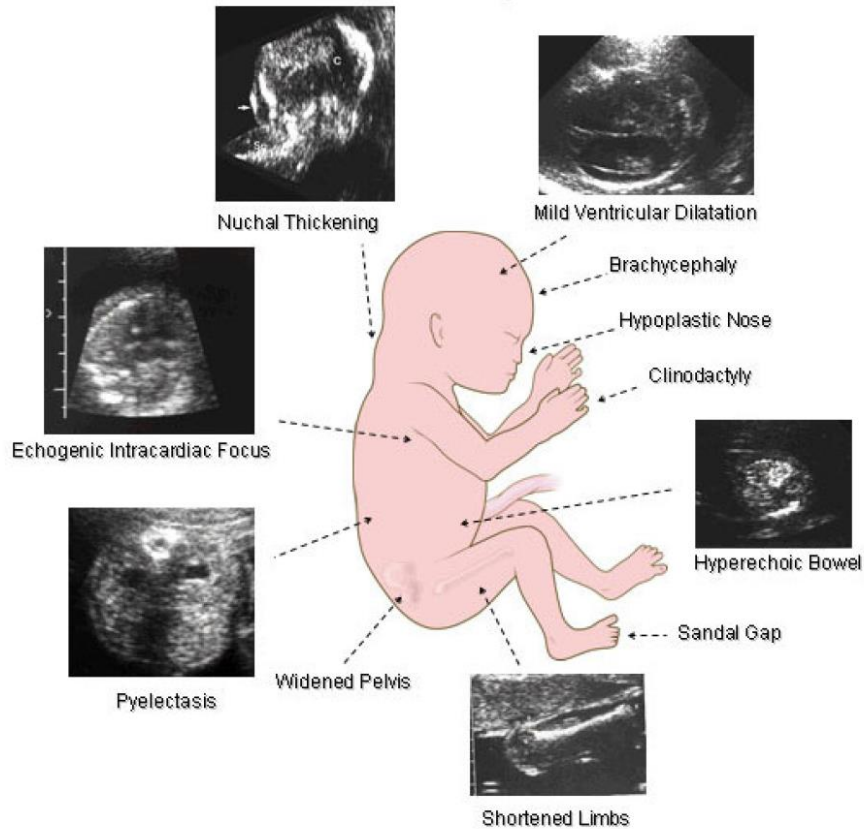
**Disease Mechanism:** 90% due to maternal meiosis nondisjunction ( $\frac{3}{4}$  MI error,  $\frac{1}{4}$  MII error)

**Treatment/Prognosis:** Supportive care, overall life expectancy is reduced

# TRISOMY 21 (DOWN SYNDROME)



47,XX,+21



[www.fetalcenter.com/images/Trisomy\\_21](http://www.fetalcenter.com/images/Trisomy_21)

# TRISOMY 18 (EDWARDS SYNDROME)



## Common Features

- Severe ID
- IUGR, microcephaly
- Weak, feeble activity and cry (hypoplastic muscles)
- Clenched hand position w/ 2 & 5 over 3 & 4
- Clubfoot or rocker-bottom feet
- Small, low set ears
- Omphalocele
- Early lethality
  - most die in first month;  
5-10 % survive > 1 yr

Images from:  
<http://library.med.utah.edu/WebPath/jpeg3/PER1228.jpg>  
medgen.genetics.utah.edu

# TRISOMY 18 (EDWARD SYNDROME)

**Inheritance:** Less than 1% due to a translocation

**Clinical Features and Diagnostic Criteria:** clenched hand, fingers 2/5 overlap 3/4, IUGR, rocker bottom feet, micrognathia, prominent occiput, microphthalmia, VSD, ASD, PDA, generalized muscle spasm, renal anomalies, ID. Mosaic Tri 18 has variable but usually somewhat milder expression.

**Clinical Tests:** Echo, abdominal US. Maternal serum screen: low AFP, hCG, and UE3.

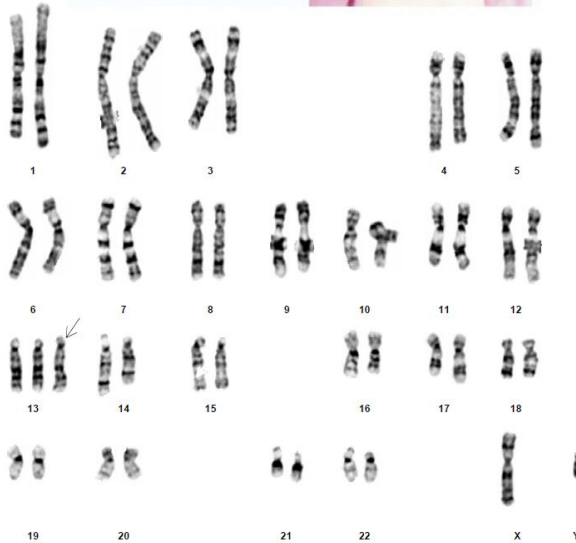
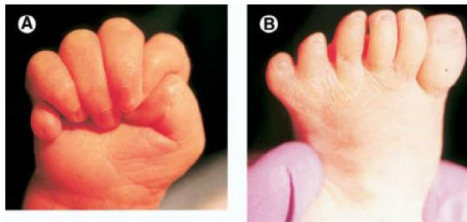
**Molecular Tests:** karyotype is diagnostic

**Disease Mechanism:** Maternal nondysjunction (90%), mosaicism (10%)

**Treatment/Prognosis:** 50% die in first week, 90% die by one year



# TRISOMY 13 (PATAU SYNDROME)



47,XY,+13

## Common Features

- Severe ID
- IUGR, microcephaly,
- Midline anomalies
  - cleft lip/palate, holoprosencephaly, scalp defect, CHD, omphalocele
- Polydactyly, postaxial
- Early lethality
  - most die in first month; 5% survive > 6 months



Cutis Aplasia



www.prenatalpartnersforlife.org

Image from: Medscape.com

# TRISOMY 13 (PATAU SYNDROME)

**Inheritance:** 20% due to a translocation

**Clinical Features and Diagnostic Criteria:** The least common of the live born trisomy disorders. Holoprosencephaly, polydactyly, seizures, HL, microcephaly, midline CL/P, omphalocele, cardiac and renal anomalies, ID. Mosaic Tri 13: very broad phenotype from typical features of full trisomy to more mild ID and physical features and longer survival.

**Clinical Tests:** Brain MRI, EEG, audiogram, echo, renal US

**Molecular Tests:** Karyotype is diagnostic

**Disease Mechanism:** 75% are due to maternal nondysjunction, 20% to a translocation, and 5% to mosaicism. Defect in fusion of the midline prechordial mesoderm in the first three weeks of gestation cause the major midline dysmorphic features.

**Treatment/Prognosis:** 44% die in the first month, >70% die within one year. Severe ID exists in all survivors.

# TRIPLOIDY

**Cytogenetic abnormality:** 69,XXY>69,XXX (69,XYY very rare)

**Inheritance:** Sporadic without inc risk of recurrence

**Clinical Features and Diagnostic Criteria:** >99% lost in first trimester, accounts for 6-10% of all SAb's and 16-20% of all chromosomally abnormal SAb's. Dysplastic calvaria with large posterior fontanelle,  $\frac{3}{4}$  finger syndactyly, ASD, VSD, hydrocephalus, holoprosencephaly.

Parent of origin effect: If Maternal: small placenta, severe asymmetric IUGR with a large head  
If Paternal: hydropic large placenta, well grown to mod symmetric IUGR, nl or microcephalic head

**Clinical Tests:** Prenatal US, maternal serum hCG low

**Molecular Tests:** Karyotype

**Disease Mechanism:** Gynogenic triploidy (digyny): NDJ producing diploid oocyte, fertilization of ovulated primary oocyte, or polar body retention. Androgenic triploidy (Diandry) NDJ producing a diploid sperm or dispermy (most common)

**Treatment/Prognosis:** Very poor prognosis, may be better if triploid mosaic

# TRIPLOIDY



**Classic 3/4  
finger  
syndactyly of  
triploidy**

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# MECHANISM OF TRIPLOIDY

Dispermy (66%) - most common cause

Meiotic failure (34%)

- in spermatogenesis (24%)
- in oogenesis (10%)

## Paternal

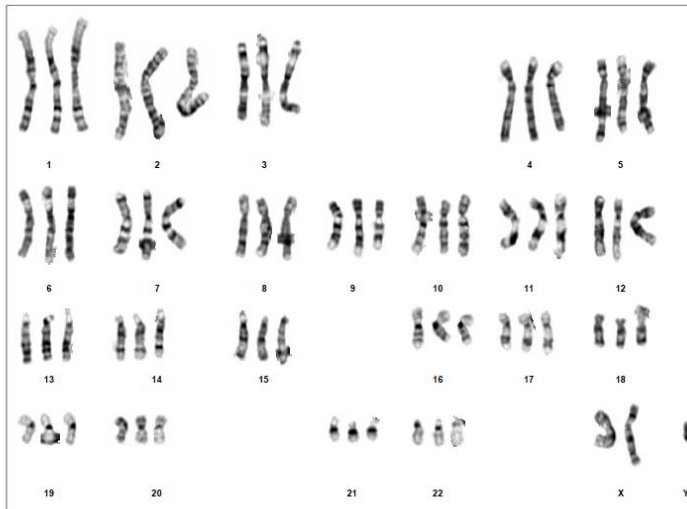
large placenta  
small fetus  
partial hydatidiform mole  
IUGR  
oligohydramnios  
congenital heart defect  
syndactyly

## Maternal

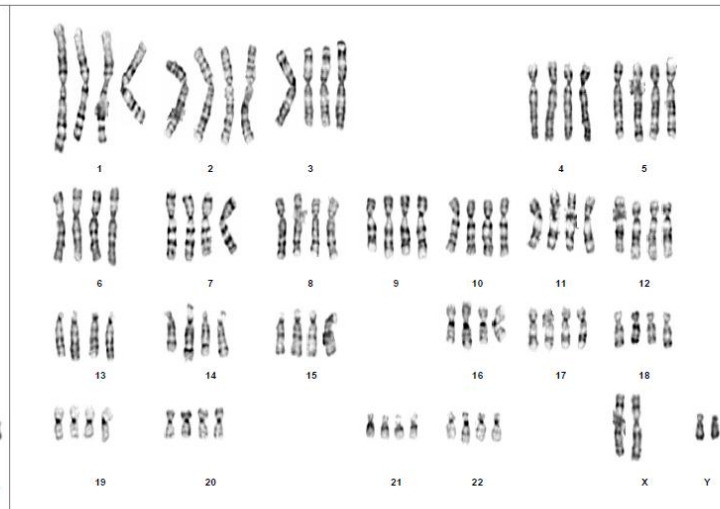
small placenta  
large fetus  
early loss

# RISK OF RECURRENT OF TRIPLOIDY

**Triploid Karyotype  
69,XXY**



**Tetraploid Karyotype  
92,XXYY**



**No increased risk for recurrence**

# MICRODELETION / MICRODUPLICATION SYNDROME

- Complex phenotypes due to dosage imbalance of multiple, unrelated genes which happen to be contiguous on chromosome. In some cases, clinical syndrome defined before genetic basis known.
- AKA
  - Contiguous gene syndromes
  - Segmental aneusomy syndromes
  - Genomic Disorders (subset mediated by segmental duplications – seg dup)
- Mechanisms include deletion, duplication, and UPD = any deviation from normal, biparental inheritance.

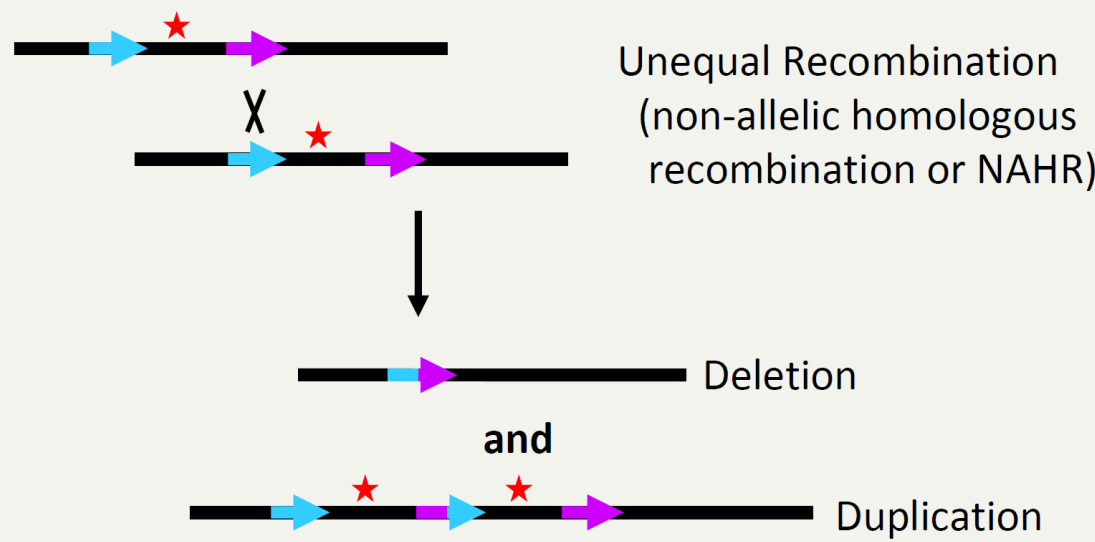
# MICRODELETION/MICRODUPLICATION SYNDROME

		<u><b>Mechanism</b></u>
■ Wolf-Hirschhorn	4p16.3	non-rec
■ Cri-du-Chat	5p15	non-rec
■ Williams	7q11.23	seg dup
■ Langer-Giedion	8q24	non-rec
■ Wilms tumor-aniridia (WAGR)	11p13	non-rec
■ Beckwith-Wiedemann	11p15	non-rec
■ Prader-Willi/Angelman	15q11-13	seg dup
■ Smith-Magenis	17p11.2	seg dup
■ Miller-Dieker	17p13.3	non-rec
■ DiGeorge/VCFS	22q11.2	seg dup



# MECHANISMS OF STRUCTURAL REARRANGEMENTS

Segmental duplications (Low Copy Repeats; Direct Repeats)  
100-400 kb, >99% sequence identity



Primary mechanism for common, recurring microdeletion/  
microduplication syndromes in humans (Genomic Disorders)

# GENOMIC DISORDERS IN HUMANS

<u>Disorder</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Duplicon</u>
Williams; autism	7q11.2	del/dup	2 Mb	100 kb
PWS/AS; aut mat	15q11-q13	del/dup	4 Mb	450 kb
CMT; HNPP	17p12	del/dup	1.5 Mb	24 kb
SMS; PLS	17p11	del/dup	5 Mb	200 kb
NF 1	17q11.2	del	1.5 Mb	100 kb
DGS/VCF	22q11.2	del/dup	3 Mb	200 kb
Male infertility	Yq	del	3.5 Mb	200 kb
Sotos	5q35	del	2.2 Mb	140 kb

see review by Mefford and Eichler (2009) Curr Opin Genet Dev

# DIGEORGE SYNDROME OR VCFS

- ~1/4,000 – most common model syndrome
- Thymus hypo/aplasia
  - cellular immunodeficiency
- Parathyroid hypo/aplasia → hypocalcemia
- DD, ID
- Cardiovascular:
  - Conotruncal heart defects, aortic arch defects
- Dysmorphic features:
  - Micrognathia, ear anomalies, cleft palate, short palpebral fissures, short upper lip

# DIGEORGE SYNDROME OR VCFS

**del(22)(q11.2)**



Image from [www.thelancet.com](http://www.thelancet.com)



Image from [www.pediastaff.com](http://www.pediastaff.com)

**22q Foundation - [www.22q.org](http://www.22q.org)**

# MILLER-DIEKER SYNDROME (MDS)

- ◆ Lissencephaly, type I - complete agyria (absent gyri) or w/ limited pachygyria (broad gyri)
  - severe ID, spasticity, seizures
- ◆ Microcephaly, bitemporal narrowing, vertical furrows on forehead
- ◆ prominent forehead, short nose, upturned nares, protuberant upper lip, thin vermillion border, small jaw
- ◆ Isolated lissencephaly sequence (ILS) - same or milder brain malformation with normal or subtle facial features

# MILLER-DIEKER SYNDROME (MDS)

## 17p13.3: Normal vs. Lissencephalic Brain

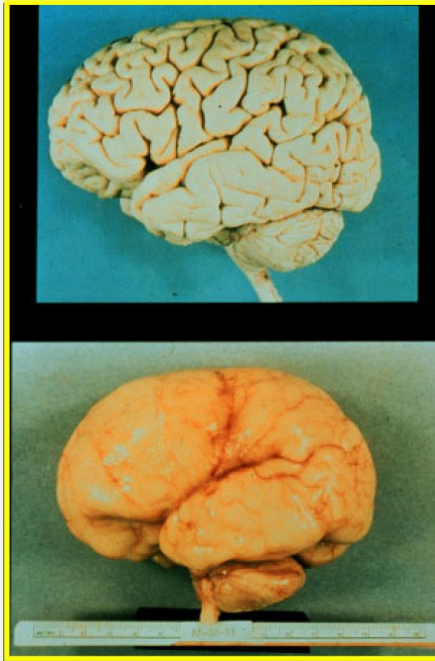


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# WOLF-HIRSCHORN SYNDROME (4P DELETION SYNDROME)

**Responsible genes:** 4p deletion, critical region includes two genes, *WHSC1* and *WHSC2* of unknown significance

**Protein:** unknown

**Cytogenetic locus:** 4p; critical region: 165-kb region between markers D4S166 and D4S3327

**Inheritance:** 87% de novo, 13% due to unbalanced translocation from a balanced parent

**Clinical Features and Diagnostic Criteria:** “greek warrior helmet appearance”, microcephaly, pre and postnatal growth deficiency, ID of variable degree, seizures, facial asymmetry, ptosis, IgA deficiency, structural brain anomalies, CL/P, CHD (ASD>PVS>VSD>PDA>AI>TOF), renal US

**Clinical Tests:** Distinctive EEG, Brain MRI, echo, plasma IgA level

**Molecular Tests:** HR karyotype for 4p16.3 deletion (60-70%), FISH/array CGH for critical region deletion (>95%)

**Disease Mechanism:** The function of *WHSC1*, *WHSC2*, and *LETM1* in normal development and in WHS patients is not known

**Treatment/Prognosis:** 2/3 develop valproate responsive atypical absence seizures, standard treatment of other medical problems

# WOLF-HIRSCHORN SYNDROME



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## Facial Features:

'Greek warrior helmet appearance' of the nose (the broad bridge of the nose continuing to the forehead)

Microcephaly

High forehead with prominent glabella

Ocular hypertelorism

Epicanthus

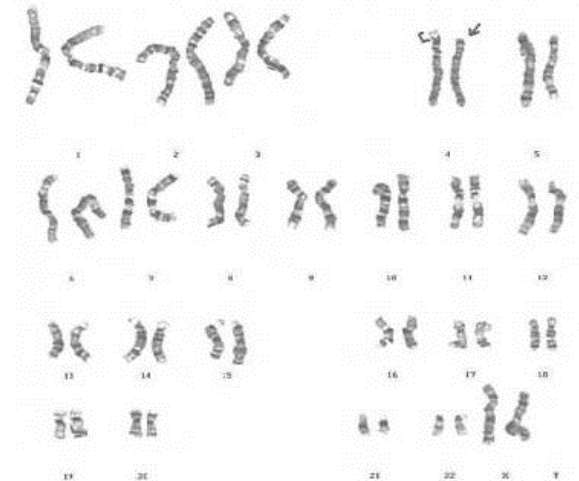
Highly arched eyebrows

Short philtrum

Downturned mouth

Micrognathia

Poorly formed ears with pits/tags





# CRI-DU-CHAT (5P DELETION SYNDROME)

**Responsible gene(s):** RPS14?, microRNA 145 and 146a?

**Protein(s):**

**Cytogenetic locus:** 5p15.2

**Inheritance:** 12% due to unequal segregation of a translocation or recombination involving a pericentric inversion in one of the parents, 85% sporadic de novo deletions (80% are on the paternal chromosome)

**Clinical Features and Diagnostic Criteria:** Cat-like cry (abnormal laryngeal development), slow growth, microcephaly, ID, hypotonia, strabismus, characteristic facial features. Cat-like cry only when deletion limited to band 5p15.32

**Molecular Tests:** Most are visible, a few are submicroscopic and diagnosed by FISH for the critical region.

**Disease Mechanism:** A study of 50 patients with deletions ranging from 5p15.2 to 5p13 and found no correlation with size of deletion and degree of mental impairment

**Treatment/Prognosis:** Supportive care

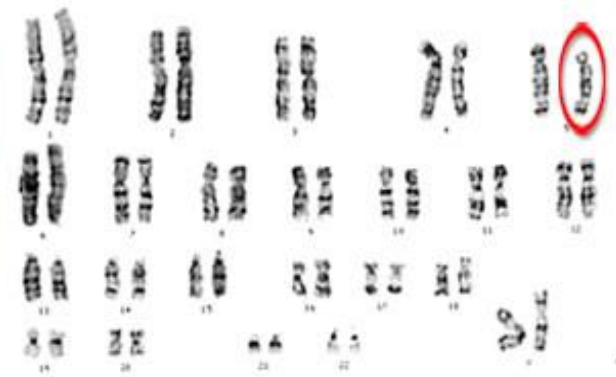
# CRI-DU-CHAT (5P DELETION SYNDROME)

## Facial Features

- Microcephaly
- Round face
- Hypertelorism
- Micrognathia
- Epicanthal folds
- Low-set ears



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THANK YOU!

CHROMOSOME DISEASES