**Genetics**

**Chromosomes**

**Learning Outcomes:**

* **I can explain how DNA, chromatin and chromosomes are linked.**
* **I can explain the difference between genes, traits and alleles.**
* **I can explain what a karyotype is.**

## Terminology

* DNA – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Genome – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Chromosome – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Gene – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Allele – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

## Chromatin and Chromosomes

* During normal cell activity (interphase), \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ form long fibres called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* At the start of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, the chromatin fibres condense to form \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Human DNA is collected into \_\_\_\_\_\_ chromosomes that form \_\_\_\_\_\_chromosomal pairs.
* each pair consists of one chromosome from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* There are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_in human DNA
* 22 paired homologous chromosomes
* X chromosome – paired in females & only one in males
* Y chromosome – single one in males only paired to an X chromosome
* in humans, each of the \_\_\_\_\_ paired chromosome codes for between 2058 genes (chromosome 1) and 234 genes (chromosome 21)
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ codes for 842 genes
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_only codes for 71 proteins – results in “sex-linked” traits

**Homologous Chromosomes**

* homologous chromosomes are pairs of chromosomes that are similar in:
	+ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	+ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	+ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

## Genes

* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* alleles – variations in a gene that results in differences in individuals



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* traits controlled by one gene sequence with only 2 alleles
* ex: hair line, hitch-hiker’s thumb, PTC paper
1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* traits controlled by one gene sequence with more than 2 alleles
* ex: blood type
1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* traits controlled by multiple genes sequences
* ex: eye colour, hair colour, height
1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* traits affected by the presence or absence of the Y chromosome
* ex: colour blindness, baldness

**Karyotypes**

* refers to the number and appearance of paired chromosomes from a eukaryotic cell
* often shown as a photograph

