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What

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Genetics



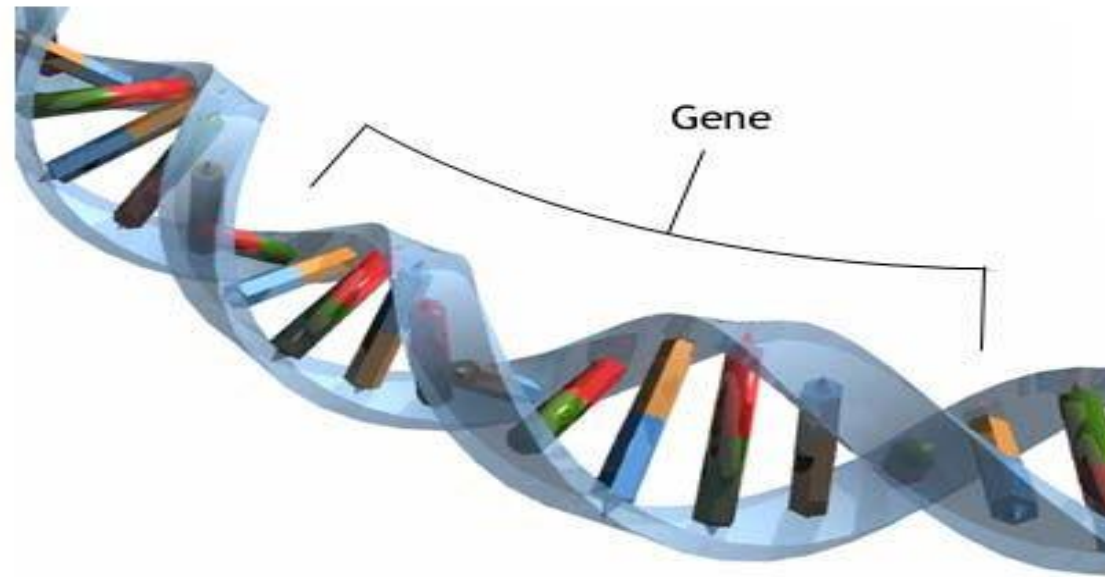


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**HEREDITY  
&  
GENETICS**

# Definitions

- **Heredity** = the inheritance of traits
- **Genetics** = the study of mechanisms of heredity.
- **Genes:** A portion of a DNA strand that functions as a hereditary unit, is located at a particular site on a specific chromosome, and codes for a specific protein or polypeptide



# What is Genetics



Genetics is a branch of biology that deals with characteristics that are inherited from one generation to the next.

Genetics is the study of genes.

# Branches of Genetics

1. Cytogenetics
2. Molecular genetics
3. Biochemical genetics
4. Cancer genetics
5. Immunogenetics
6. Developmental genetics
7. Behavioral genetics
8. Population genetics

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# HISTORY OF GENETICS

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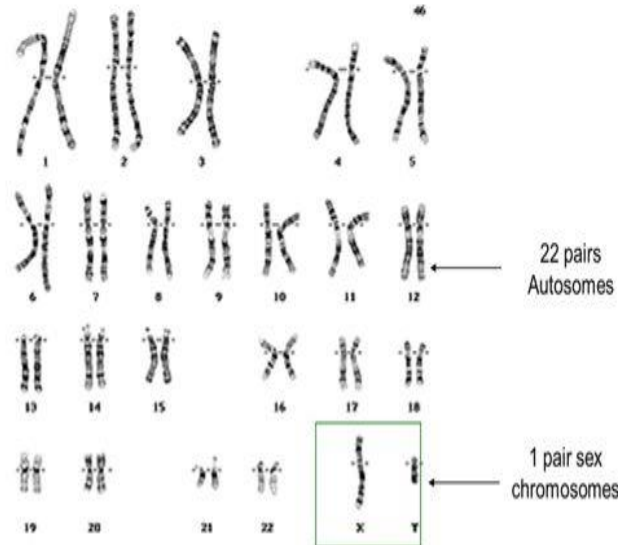
1. 1865: Gregor Mendel (Austrian monk) presented results of 10 years of experimentation on **pea plants**.
2. Late 1800's: increased research in microscopy and cytology (study of cells) recognized each chromosome transferred (contribution from parent).
3. 1903: chromosomes in gametes (sex cells) found to be involved in reproductive cycle.



Gregor Mendel studied genetics using pea plants.

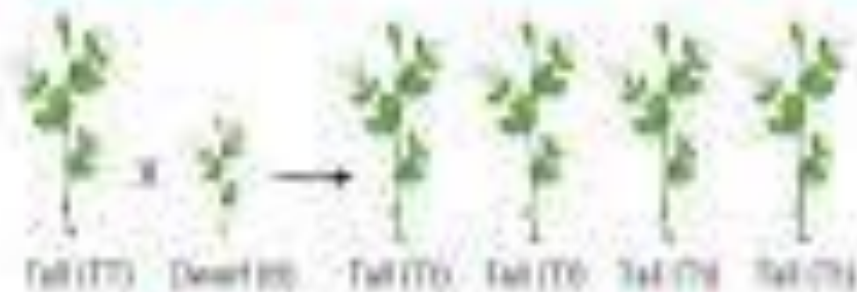


Traits that Mendel observed:

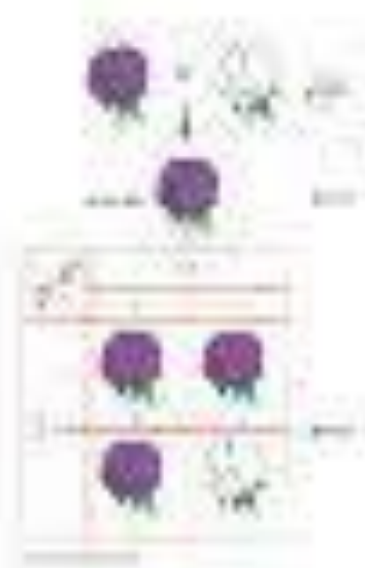




# Law of Dominance



# Law of Segregation

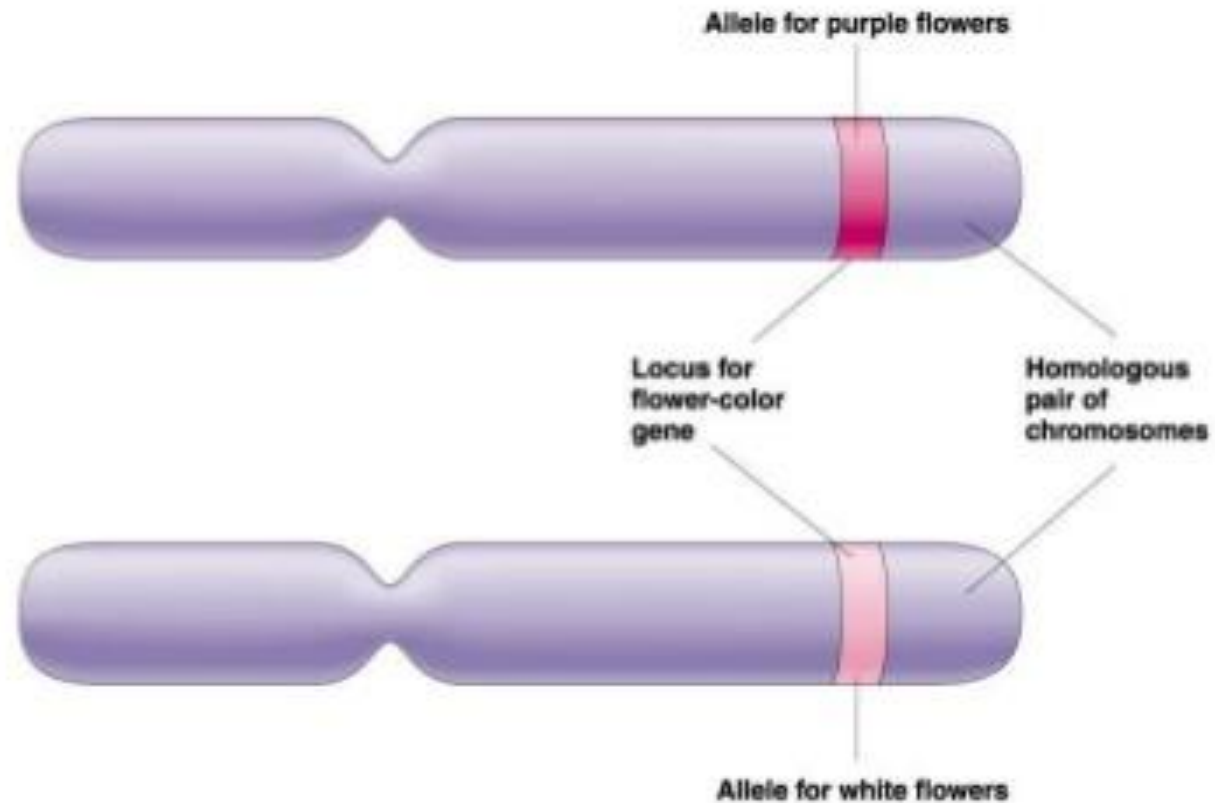


# Law of Independent Assortment



### 3.1 U.3 The various specific forms of a gene are alleles.

**Allele** is one specific form of a gene, differing from other alleles by one or a few bases only and occupying the same gene locus as other alleles of the gene.





# Mendel's Laws

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**Law of Dominance:** if the two alleles at a locus differ, then one, the **dominant allele**, determines the organism's appearance; the other, the **recessive allele**, has no noticeable effect on the organism's appearance

**Law of Segregation:** the two alleles for a heritable character separate (segregate) during gamete formation and end up in different gametes

**Law of Independent Assortment:** each pair of alleles segregates independently of other pairs of alleles during gamete formation

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# Qualitative vs. Quantitative Traits

## Qualitative

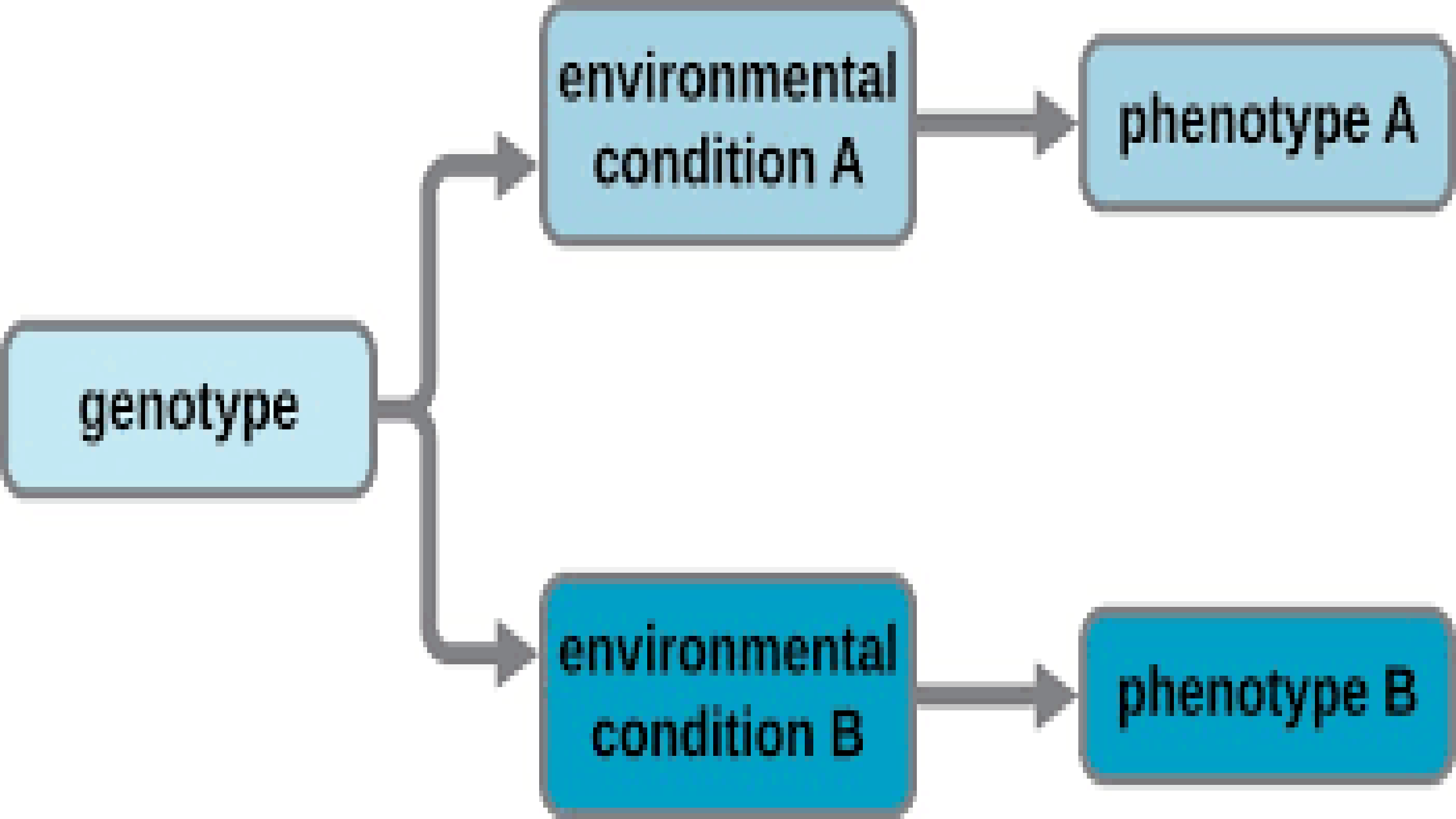
- **Few genes**
- **Low environmental Influence**
- **Distinct classes**

## Quantitative

- **Polygenes**
- **High environmental Influence**
- **No distinct classes**

# Genotype and Phenotype

- The **genotype** is the genetic makeup of an organism.
  - If an individual has two identical alleles of a certain gene, the individual is **homozygous** for the related character.
  - If an individual has two different alleles of a certain gene, the individual is **heterozygous** for the related character.
- The **phenotype** is the appearance of an organism.
  - Thus, genotype determines phenotype.



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## Alleles

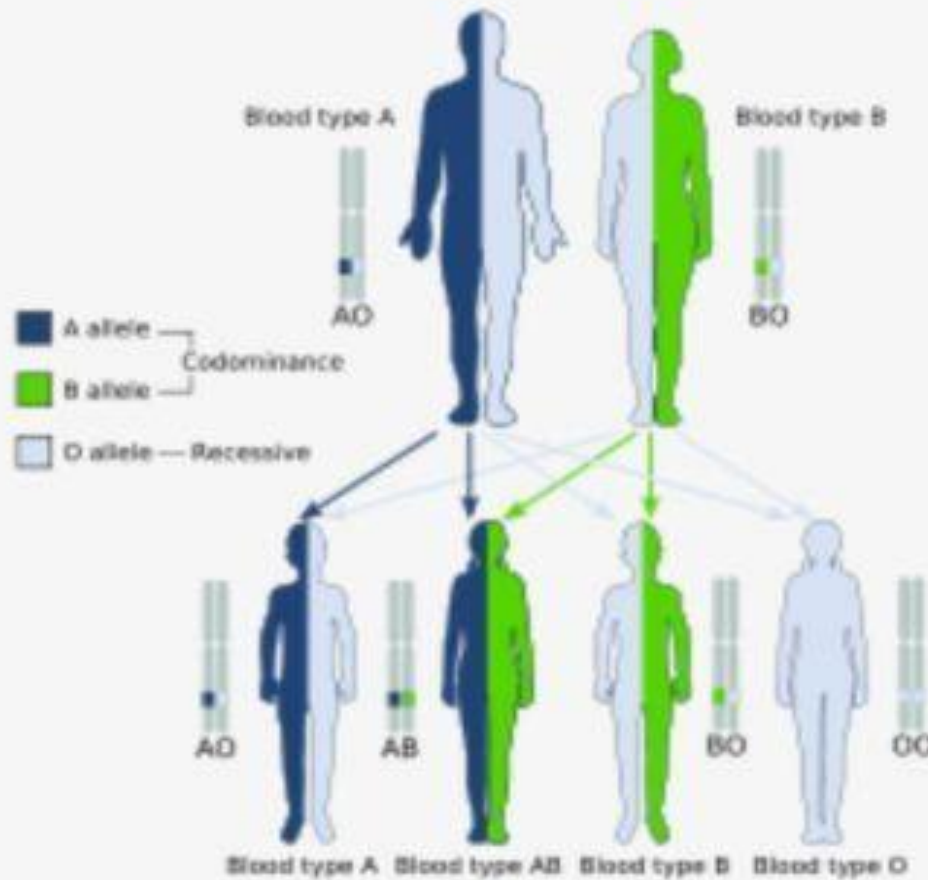
*different forms of the same gene*



# Paths of Inheritance

| Path Type            | Characteristics   |
|----------------------|---|
| Mendelian            | 1 allele is dominant and 1 allele is recessive                    |
| Codominant           | 2 alleles – both are equally expressed                            |
| Incomplete dominance | 2 alleles – if heterozygous, alleles blend together               |
| Multiple alleles     | More than 2 alleles possible for a trait (but each person gets 2) |
| Polygenic            | A trait is controlled by more than one gene in a person           |

# Multiple alleles



Multiple alleles are gene alternatives, such as the ABO blood type in the human population.

**A** **B** **O**



# Incomplete Dominance

**Neither allele is dominant**

**When an organism is heterozygous for a trait, it will show a third phenotype**

**The third phenotype is a blend of the other two**

**In this example, the letter A represents the gene**

**R and Y represent the different alleles**

