

Chapter 15.



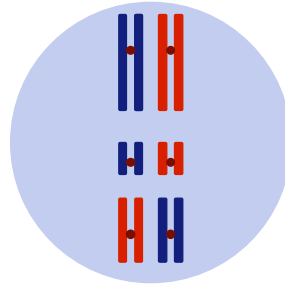
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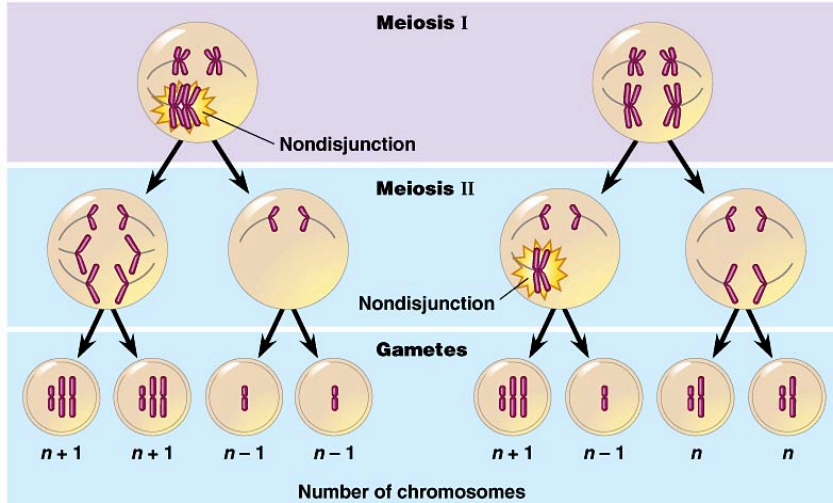
- **Incorrect number of chromosomes**
 - ◆ **nondisjunction**
 - chromosomes don't separate properly during meiosis
 - ◆ **breakage of chromosomes**
 - deletion
 - duplication
 - inversion
 - translocation

Nondisjunction

- Problems with the meiotic spindle cause errors in daughter cells
 - ◆ tetrad chromosomes do not separate properly during Meiosis 1
 - ◆ sister chromatids fail to separate during Meiosis 2



Alteration of chromosome number



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(a) Nondisjunction of homologous chromosomes in meiosis I

(b) Nondisjunction of sister chromatids in meiosis II

Nondisjunction

- **Baby will have wrong chromosome number**
 - ◆ **Trisomy**
 - cells have 3 copies of a chromosome
 - ◆ **Monosomy**
 - cells have only 1 copy of a chromosome

Human chromosome disorders

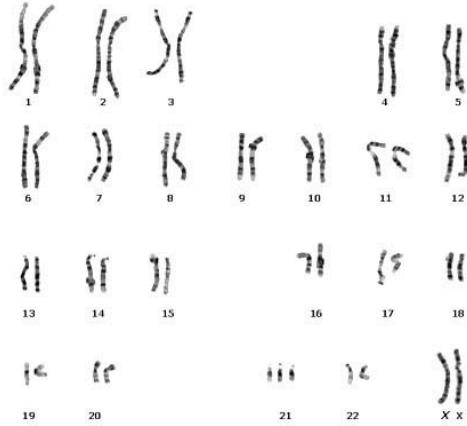
- **High frequency in humans**
 - ◆ most embryos are spontaneously aborted
 - ◆ alterations are too disastrous
 - ◆ developmental problems result from imbalance
- **Certain conditions are tolerated**
 - ◆ upset the balance less = survive
 - ◆ characteristic set of symptoms = **syndrome**

Down syndrome

- **Trisomy 21**
 - ◆ 3 copies of chromosome 21
 - ◆ 1 in 700 children born in U.S.
- **Chromosome 21 is the smallest human chromosome**
 - ◆ but still severe effects
- **Frequency of Down syndrome correlates with the age of the mother**

Trisomy 21

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Down syndrome & age of mother

Mother's age	Incidence of Down Syndrome
Under 30	<1 in 1000
30	1 in 900
35	1 in 400
36	1 in 300
37	1 in 230
38	1 in 180
39	1 in 135
40	1 in 105
42	1 in 60
44	1 in 35
46	1 in 20
48	1 in 16
49	1 in 12

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Sex chromosomes

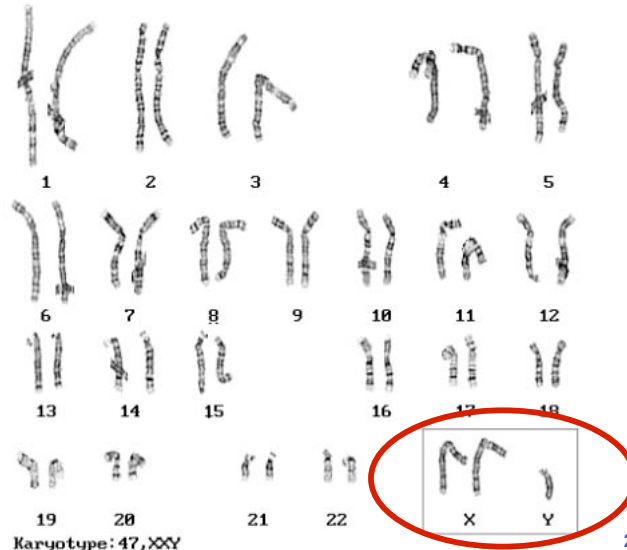
- **Human development more tolerant of wrong numbers in sex chromosome**
- **But produces a variety of distinct conditions in humans**
 - ◆ **XXY = Klinefelter's syndrome male**
 - ◆ **XXX = Trisomy X female**
 - ◆ **XYY = Jacob's syndrome male**
 - ◆ **XO = Turner syndrome female**

Klinefelter's syndrome

- **XXY male**
 - ◆ one in every 2000 live births
 - ◆ have male sex organs, but are sterile
 - ◆ feminine characteristics
 - ◆ tall
 - ◆ normal intelligence



Klinefelter's syndrome



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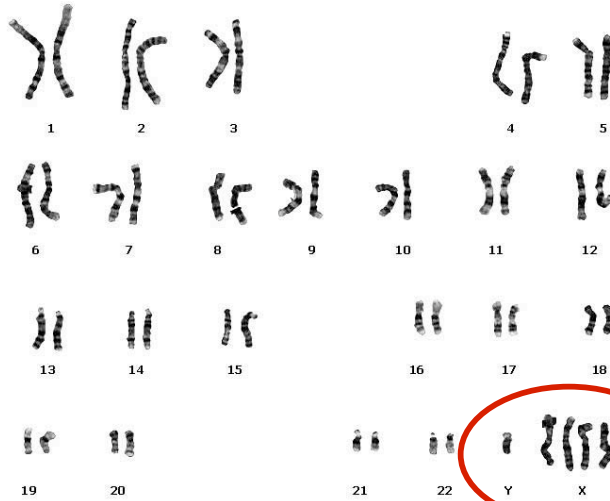
Karyotype: 47, XXY

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How many Barr bodies would you expect?

Klinefelter's syndrome

XXXXY, Klinefelter's Syndrome



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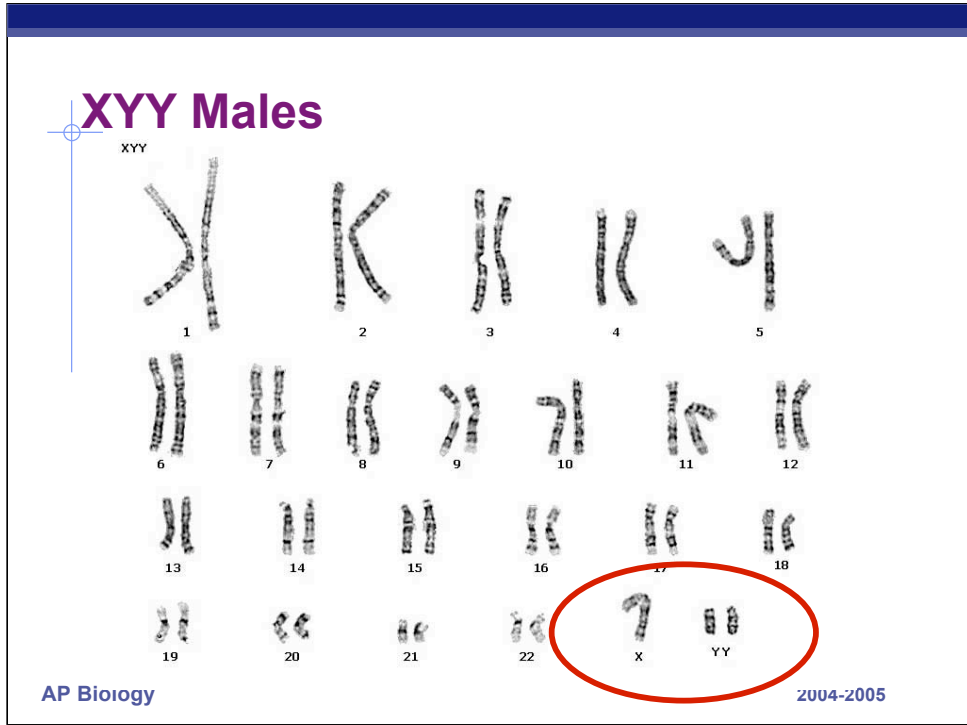
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How many Barr bodies would you expect?

Jacob's syndrome male

- **XYY Males**

- ◆ 1 in 1000 live male births
- ◆ extra Y chromosome
- ◆ somewhat taller than average
- ◆ more active
- ◆ slight learning disabilities
- ◆ delayed emotional immaturity
- ◆ normal intelligence, normal sexual development



How many Barr bodies would you expect?

Trisomy X

- **XXX**
 - ◆ 1 in every 2000 live births
 - ◆ produces healthy females
 - Why?

How many Barr bodies would you expect?

Turner syndrome

- **Monosomy X or X0**
 - ◆ 1 in every 5000 births
 - ◆ varied degree of effects
 - ◆ webbed neck
 - ◆ short stature
 - ◆ immature sterile females

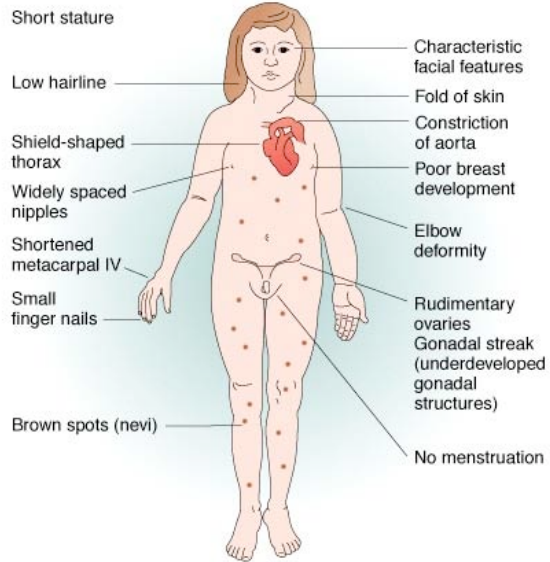


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Changes in chromosome structure

(a) A **deletion** removes a chromosomal segment.



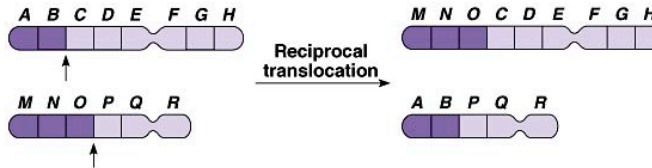
(b) A **duplication** repeats a segment.



(c) An **inversion** reverses a segment within a chromosome.



(d) A **translocation** moves a segment from one chromosome to another, non-homologous one.



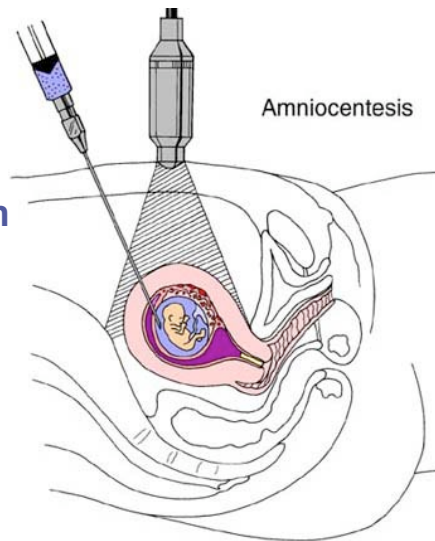
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During what process would this happen?

Genetic testing

- **Amniocentesis in 2nd trimester**
 - ◆ sample of embryo cells
 - ◆ stain & photograph chromosomes
- **Analysis of karyotype**



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