

Name: _____ Period: _____

5.4: Complex Patterns of Inheritance

Simple Patterns of Inheritance

Examples:

In pea plants:

In humans:

Most human inheritance patterns do NOT follow simple patterns of inheritance! (Eye color, skin color, hair color, etc.)

Polygenic Traits

Poly =

Genic =

Polygenic Traits:

Example in Humans:

| | ABC | ABc | AbC | Abc | aBC | aBc | abC | abc |
|-----|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| ABC | AABBCC | AABBcC | AABbCC | AABbCc | AaBBCC | AaBBcC | AaBbCC | AaBbCc |
| ABc | AABBcC | AABBcc | AABbCc | AABbcc | AaBBcC | AaBBcc | AaBbCc | AaBbcc |
| AbC | AABbCC | AABbCc | AAbbCC | AAbbCc | AaBbCC | AaBbCc | AabbCC | AabbCc |
| Abc | AaBbCc | AaBbcc | AAbbCc | Aabbcc | AaBbCc | AaBbcc | AabbCc | Aabbcc |
| aBC | AaBBCC | AaBBcC | AaBbCC | AaBbCc | aaBBCC | aaBBcC | aaBbCC | aaBbCc |
| aBc | AaBBcC | AaBBcc | AaBbCc | AaBbcc | aaBBcC | aaBBcc | aaBbCc | aaBbcc |
| abC | AaBbCC | AaBbCc | AabbCC | AabbCc | aaBbCC | aaBbCc | aabbCC | aabbCc |
| abc | AaBbCc | AaBbcc | AabbCc | Aabbcc | aaBbCc | aaBbcc | aabbCc | aabbcc |

Copyright © J. Montano 2011



| | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------|----|----|------------|----|----|---------------|
| Gene A | aa | Aa | Aa | Aa | AA | Aa | AA |
| Gene B | bb | bb | bb | BB | Bb | BB | BB |
| Gene C | cc | cc | Cc | cc | Cc | CC | CC |
| Phenotype | Very Light | | | Medium | | | Very Dark |
| # of "light"/recessive alleles | | | | | | | |
| # of "dark"/dominant alleles | | | | | | | |

Multiple Alleles

Example:

Only TWO Possible Alleles:

THREE Possible Alleles:

****NOTE!** More than two alleles might be possible, but an individual will only have two alleles in DNA

Solving Problems with Multiple Alleles

In some rabbit breeds, fur color has multiple alleles



Wild-type



Chinchilla



Himalayan



Albino

Solve this: $c^h c \times c^{ch} c^h$

| Allele | Phenotypes |
|--------|--|
| | Wild type; the most dominant fur pattern |
| | Chinchilla; recessive only to wild type |
| | Himalayan; dominant over albino only |
| | Albino; recessive to all |

| | |
|--|--|
| | |
| | |

Possible Phenotypes:

_____ Fraction: _____ Percent Chance: _____

_____ Fraction: _____ Percent Chance: _____

_____ Fraction: _____ Percent Chance: _____

_____ Fraction: _____ Percent Chance: _____