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|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| transformation | conditional mutation | penetrance | expressivity |
| Southern blotting | hybridization | epistasis | co-dominance |
| nonsense mutation | translocation | amplification | transposase |
| missense mutation | alkyltransferase | vector | long terminal repeats |
| electrophoresis | nitrocellulose | VNTR | ampicillin |
| transduction | silent mutation | inverted repeats | polymerase |
| reverse transcriptase | heterokaryon | bacteriophage | duplication |
| transposable element | plasmid | probe | restriction enzyme |
| dicentric | transversion | episome | suppression |
| lysogeny | complementation | histone | dideoxy sequencing |
| Northern blotting | tautomerization | inversion | F factor |
| nondisjunction | autopolyploid | ligase | polymorphism |
| frameshift | Prozac | expression vector | independent assortment |
| conjugation | reversion | cDNA | two-hybrid |
| sister chromatids | RFLP | biotechnology | heteroduplex DNA |
| complementation | nonsense suppressor | transition | tautomeric shift |
| thymine dimerization | intercalating agent | polyploid | aneuploid |
| temperate phage | prophage | loss-of-function | gain-of-function |
| allopolyploid | clone | synteny | replicative transposition |
| glycosylase | catalase | lytic | conservative transposition |
| monoploid | PCR | pleiotropy | homeologous |
| auxotroph | library | stem cells | crossover |

Use one of the above terms to best complete each sentence #1-15 below. (2 pts. each)

1. cDNA is a DNA copy of an RNA molecule.
2. reverse transcriptase is an RNA-dependent DNA polymerase.
3. Knockout mice are created by replacing a normal gene segment with a modified segment within embryonic stem cells, then using the latter to create a chimeric embryo.
4. transformation is a method of DNA transfer in bacteria in which environmental DNA is taken up through the cell wall and membrane of the cell.
5. A library is a collection of DNA clones that represent the genome or RNA population of an organism or tissue.
6. A restriction site difference that is polymorphic within a population can be used to carry out RFLP mapping of neighboring genes.
7. histone genes commonly exist in tandem repetitive arrays in eukaryote genomes.
8. transposase is a transposon-encoded protein that mediates movement of the transposon.
9. two-hybrid analysis detects physical interactions between two proteins in yeast cells, by fusing each protein to a separate domain of the yeast GAL4 regulatory protein and studying the ability of the combination to activate a UAS-lacZ gene.

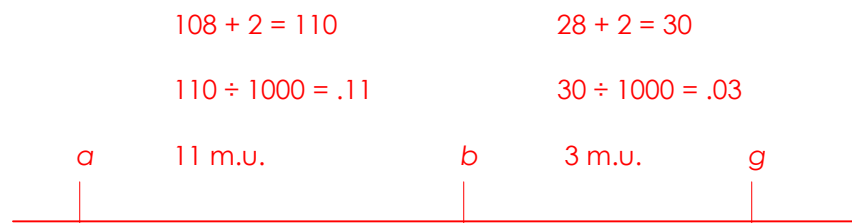
10. VNTR sequences are one- to five-kilobase sequences consisting of variable numbers of repeat units, each unit being 15 to 100 nucleotides in length.
11. catalase is an enzyme that prevents DNA damage by reducing reactive oxygen species.
12. A type of DNA damage caused typically by UV light is thymine dimerization.
13. A karyotype that has an extra set of chromosomes is a type of polyploid genome.
14. Retrotransposons have sequences at the ends that are best described as long terminal repeats.
15. translocation is a rearrangement that moves a segment of DNA to a new chromosome.

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16. Wild-type tigers are orange and black with white stripes, have eyes that glow in the dark and have bad breath. A mutant strain of tigers is developed in which animals are albino (*a*), have glowless eyes (*g*) and sweet breath (*b*), each determined by a single gene. True-breeding wild-type females were crossed to males having all three mutant traits, producing an F1 of entirely wild-type animals. F1 females were testcrossed to *a g b* males, producing an astonishing number of progeny:

| <u>Phenotype</u> | <u>Number</u> | |
|--|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| <i>a⁺ g⁺ b⁺</i> | 429 | } parental types |
| <i>a g b</i> | 433 | |
| <i>a⁺ g b</i> | 55 | } SCO I (<i>a-b</i>) - 108 |
| <i>a g b⁺</i> | | |
| <i>a⁺ g b⁺</i> | 13 | } SCO II (<i>g-b</i>) - 28 |
| <i>a g b</i> | 15 | |
| <i>a g b⁺</i> | 2 | DCO - 2 |
| | ----- | |
| | 1000 | |

- a. Draw a map of these three genes, indicating their order and the map distances between them (10 pts.)



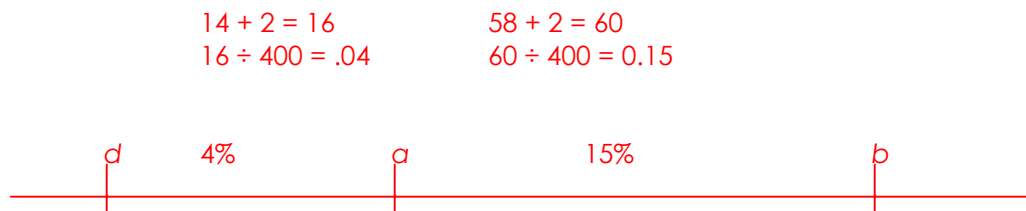
- b. Calculate the coefficient of coincidence and the interference value for these results. (3 pts.)

$\text{COC} = \text{observed DCO} \div \text{expected DCO} = 2 \div [.03 \times .11] = 2 / 3.3 = 0.61$
 $\text{interference} = 1 - \text{COC} = 1 - 0.61 = 0.39$

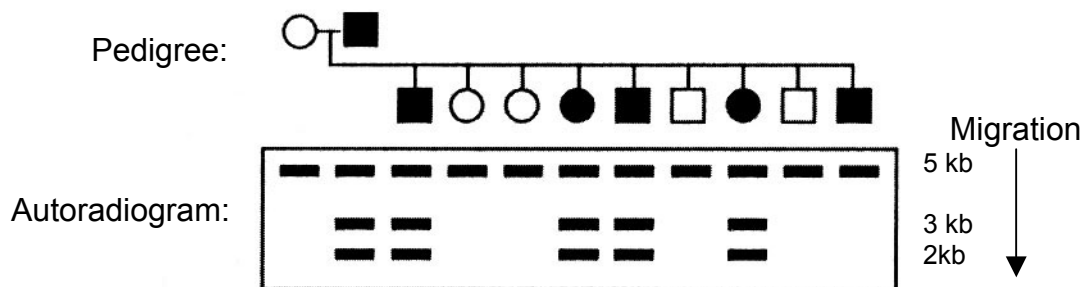
17. A cross is made between an *E. coli* Hfr strain that is $a^+ b^+ d^+$ and an F strain that is $a^- b^- d^-$. Interrupted mating studies showed that b^+ enters the recipient strain last. The b^+ recombinants were then tested for the presence of the a and d alleles, producing the following results:

| | | |
|---------------|-----|------------------|
| $a^+ b^+ d^+$ | 326 | parental type |
| $a^- b^+ d^+$ | 2 | DCO |
| $a^+ b^+ d^-$ | 14 | SCO I ($a-d$) |
| $a^- b^+ d^-$ | 58 | SCO II ($a-b$) |
| ----- | | |
| | 400 | |

Draw a map of these genes, showing the gene order and frequencies of recombination between each pair. (6 pts.)



18. DNA studies were performed on a large family that shows an autosomal dominant disease of late onset. A DNA sample from each member is digested with *TaqI* and subjected to Southern blot analysis, using a particular unique sequence probe:



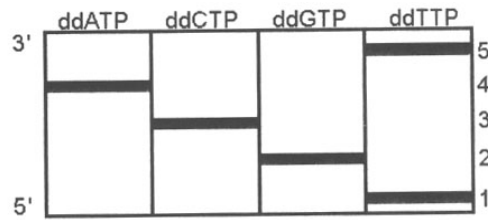
- a. What is the relationship between the restriction pattern observed with this probe and the gene for the disease? (7 pts.)

The 3+2 kb morph is linked to the disease gene; the 5 kb morph is linked to its wild-type allele. This correlation applies in 8 of 9 progeny.

- b. How do you explain the pattern seen in the rightmost son? (3 pts.)

A recombination event occurred between the two sites in the father, producing the disease allele in *cis* with the 5 kb morph.

19. Using dideoxy nucleotide DNA sequencing, you observe the following autoradiogram:



What is the 5'-3' nucleotide sequence of the template strand that you have sequenced?
(6 pts.)

5' ATGCA 3'

20. Geneticists working on the Human Genome Project, focusing on one band of chromosome 11, had a collection of eight cloned fragments (clones 1-8). They also determined that seven sequence-tagged sites (STSa-g) were distributed among these clones. The STS distribution on the various clones was as follows:

| <u>Clone</u> | <u>STS content</u> |
|--------------|--------------------|
| 1 | a, b, e, f |
| 2 | a, b |
| 3 | f |
| 4 | a, c, f |
| 5 | c, d |
| 6 | e |
| 7 | g |
| 8 | e, g |

Arrange these clones into a contig, showing the regions of overlap and positions of STSs.
(8 pts.)

STS: d c f a b e g

1 f a b e

2 a b

3 f

8 e g

4 c f a

5 d c

6 e

7 g

21. For each of the following aberrant sex chromosome configurations, a nondisjunction event is responsible. Indicate during which meiotic division the nondisjunction could have occurred assuming first that it occurred in the mother, then assuming it occurred in the father. Your possible answers for each are: meiosis I, meiosis II, either, or not possible. (12 pts.)

| Offspring | Meiotic division if nondisjunction occurred in mother | Meiotic division if nondisjunction occurred in father |
|-----------|---|---|
| XXY | either | Meiosis I |
| XYY | not possible | Meiosis II |
| XXX | either | Meiosis II |

22. What is meant by missense, nonsense, and synonymous mutations? Which of the three is most likely to disrupt gene function and why? (6 pts.)

Missense mutations are changes that cause the substitution of one amino acid for another in the encoded protein.

Nonsense mutations are changes that cause the substitution of a stop codon for an amino acid in the encoded protein.

Synonymous mutations are changes in the nucleic acid sequence in the coding region of a gene that do not cause a change in the encoded protein.

Nonsense mutations are most likely to disrupt gene function because they cause the truncation of the encoded protein, deleting all amino acids that follow the mutation in the coding sequence.

23. Indicate with an "X" which of the following enzymes act in each of the listed *E. coli* mutation repair systems. Enzymes may be active in none or more than one of the listed systems. (6 pts)

| | Excision repair | Recombinational repair | Mismatch repair | UV photodimer splitting |
|------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| DNA polymerase I | X | (either OK) | X | |
| Photolyase | | | | X |
| DNA ligase | X | (either OK) | X | |
| Glycosylase | X | | | |
| RecA | | X | | |

(One point for each correct X, minus one point for each incorrect X, sum not < 0 or >7)