

# **I Meccanismi dell'Eredità. I**

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Teorie uniparentali

Teoria del mescolamento

## Genitori

Cavallo  
( $2n = 64$ )

Asino  
( $2n = 62$ )



Cavallo ♀

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Asino ♂



Mulo  
( $2n = 63$ )

Cavallo ♂

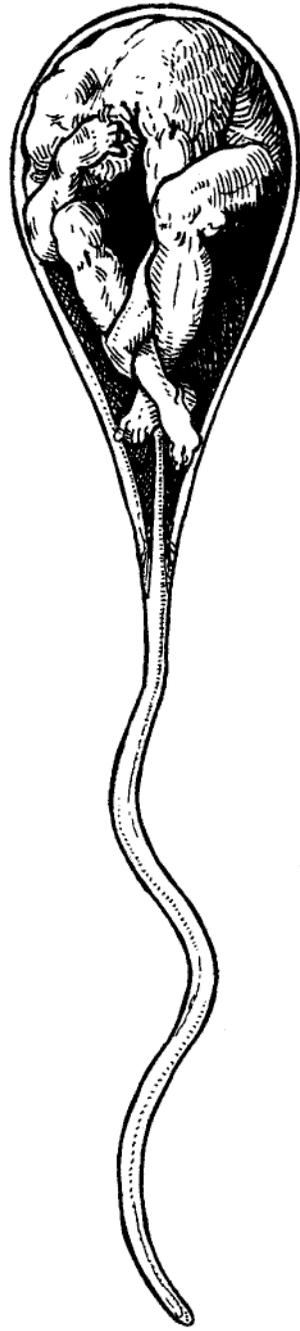
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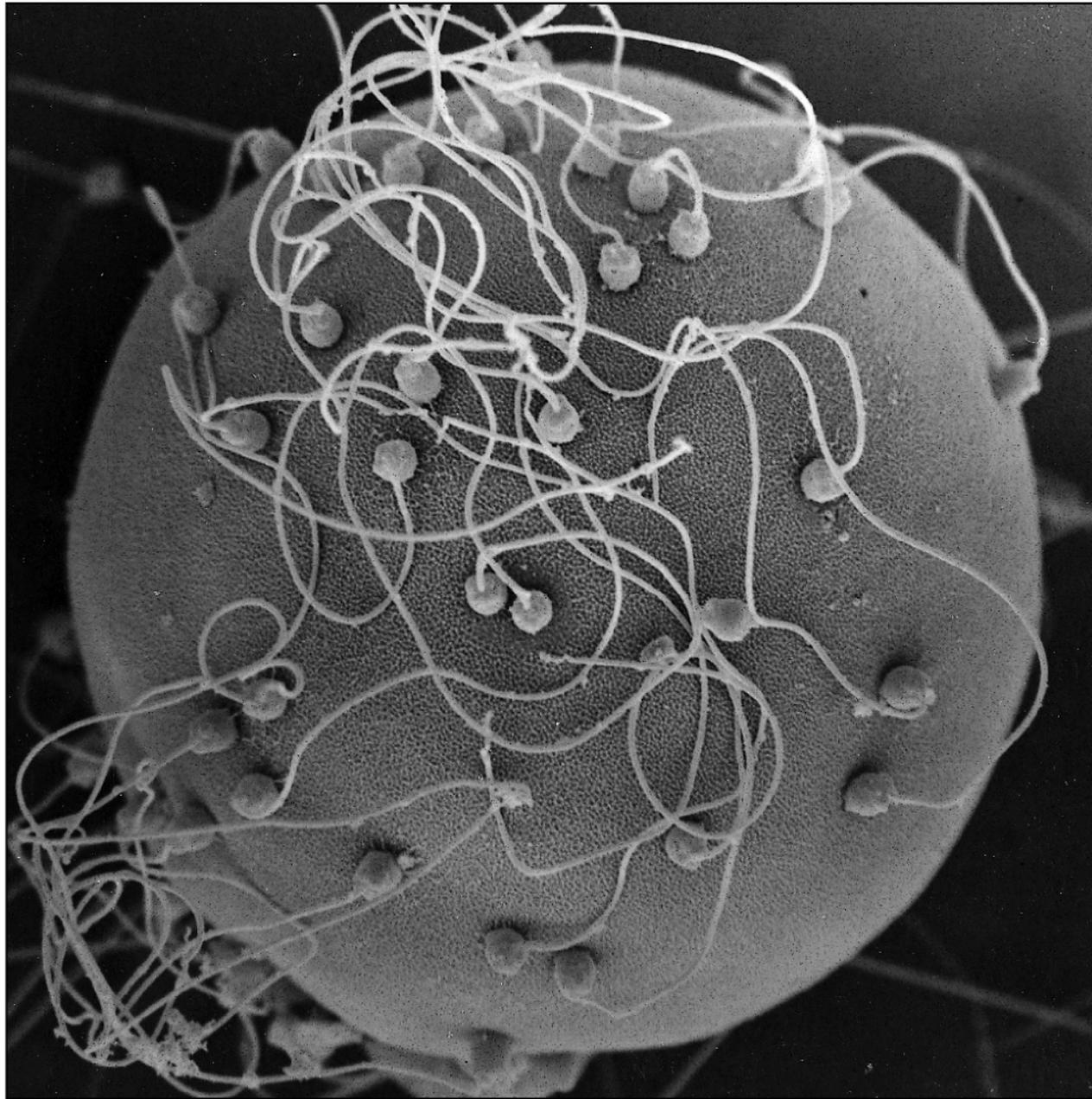
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**Progenie**

Bardotto  
( $2n = 63$ )

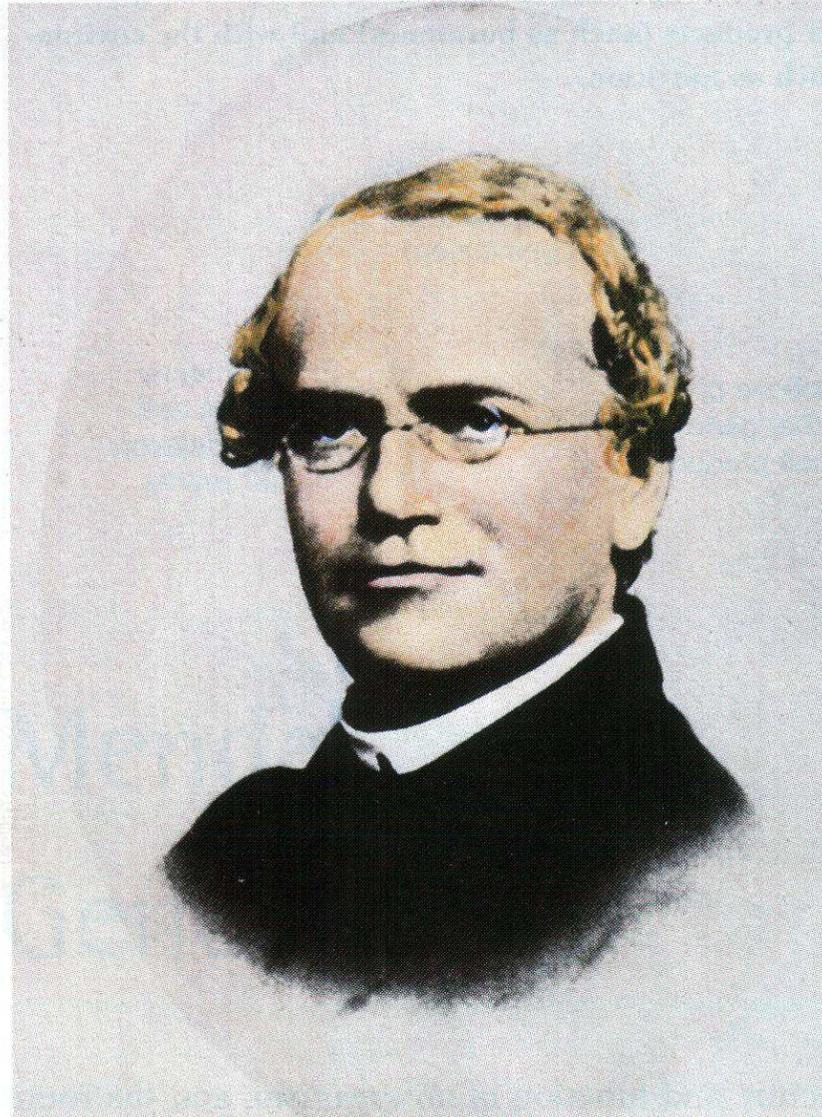




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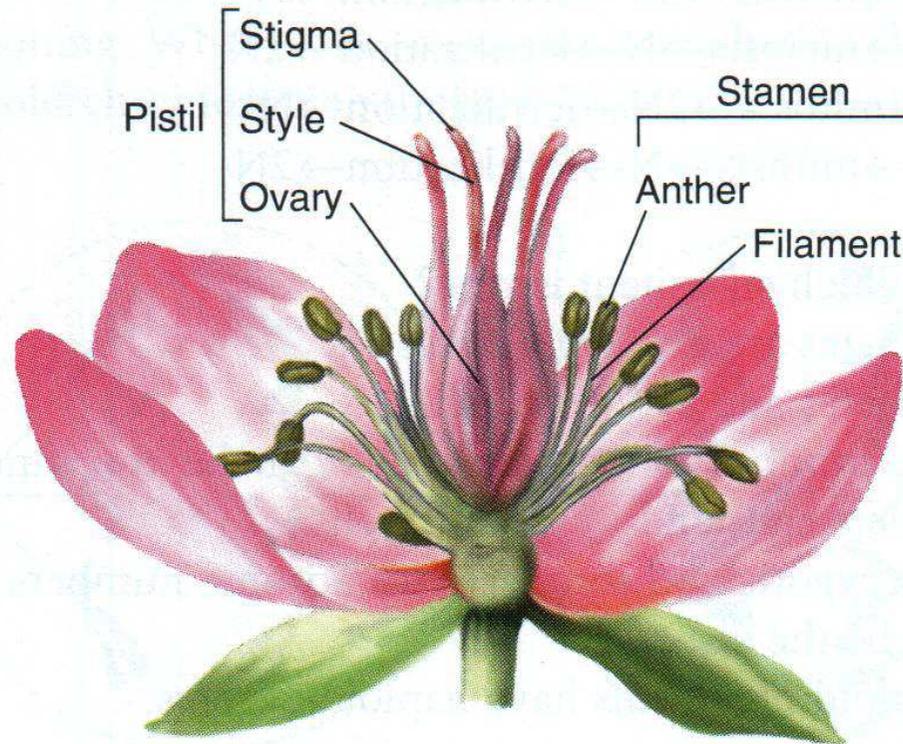
**Figure 2.2**

**Gregor Johann Mendel, founder of the science of genetics**



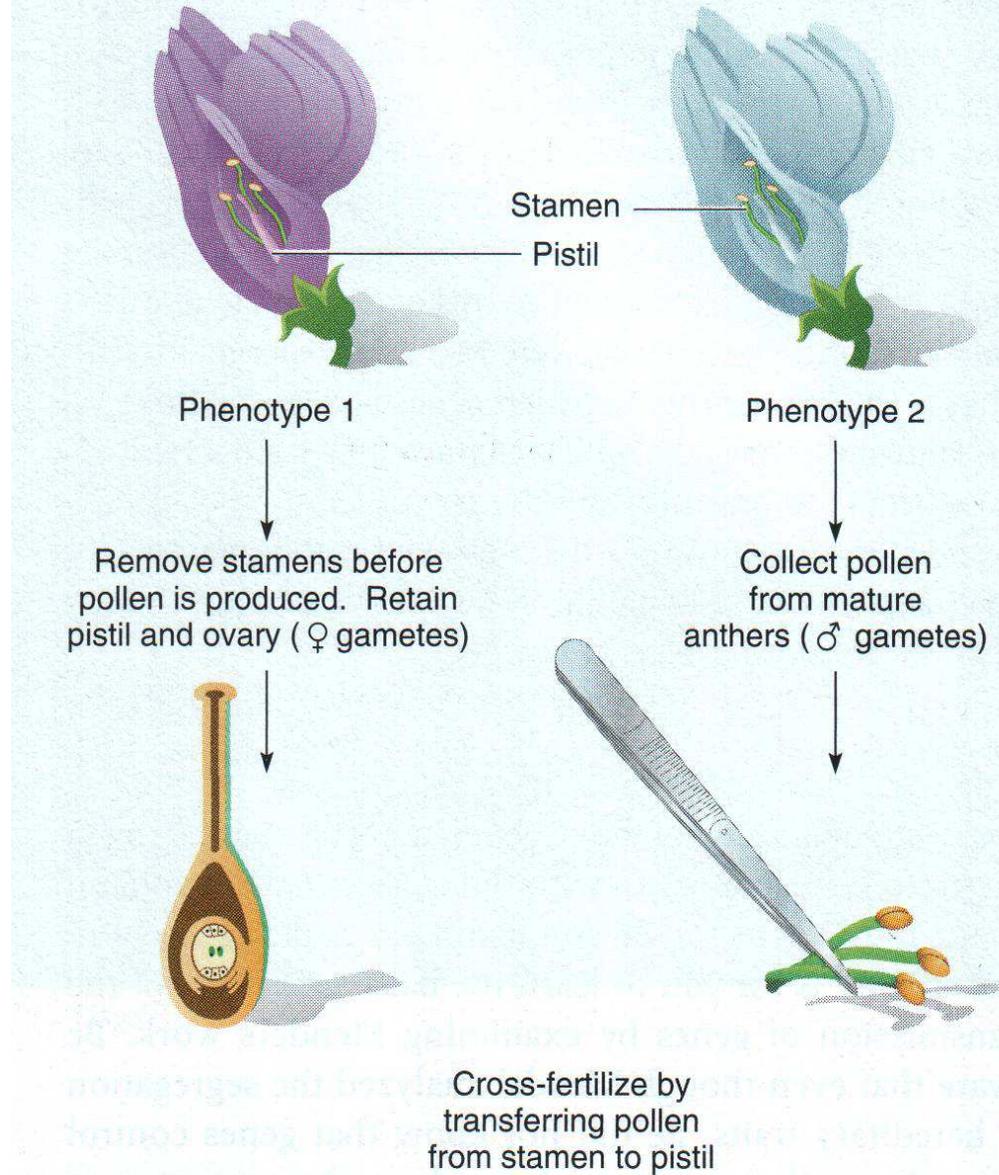
**Figure 1.25**

**Generalized structure of a flower.**



**Figure 2.3**

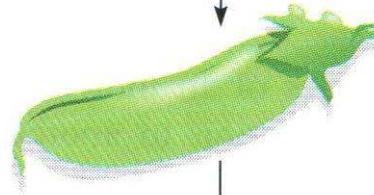
**Procedure for crossing pea plants.**



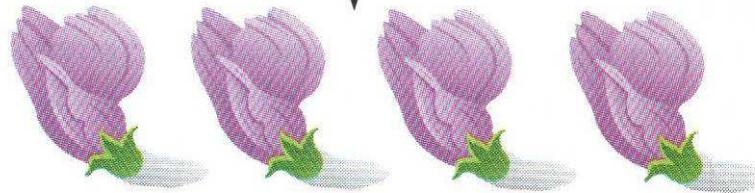
Cross-fertilize by  
transferring pollen  
from stamen to pistil



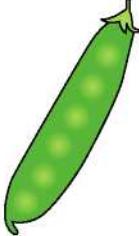
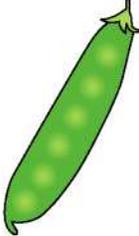
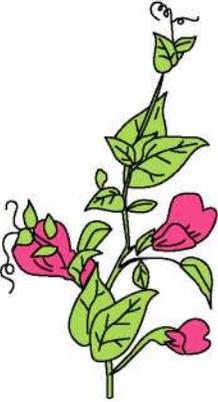
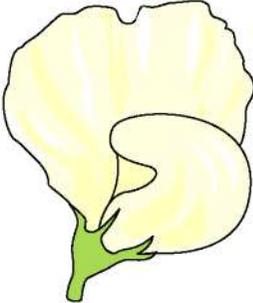
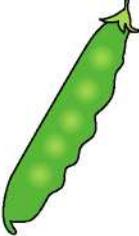
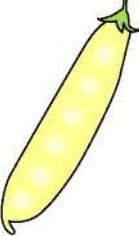
Development of  
peas (seeds)  
in pod



Plant seeds

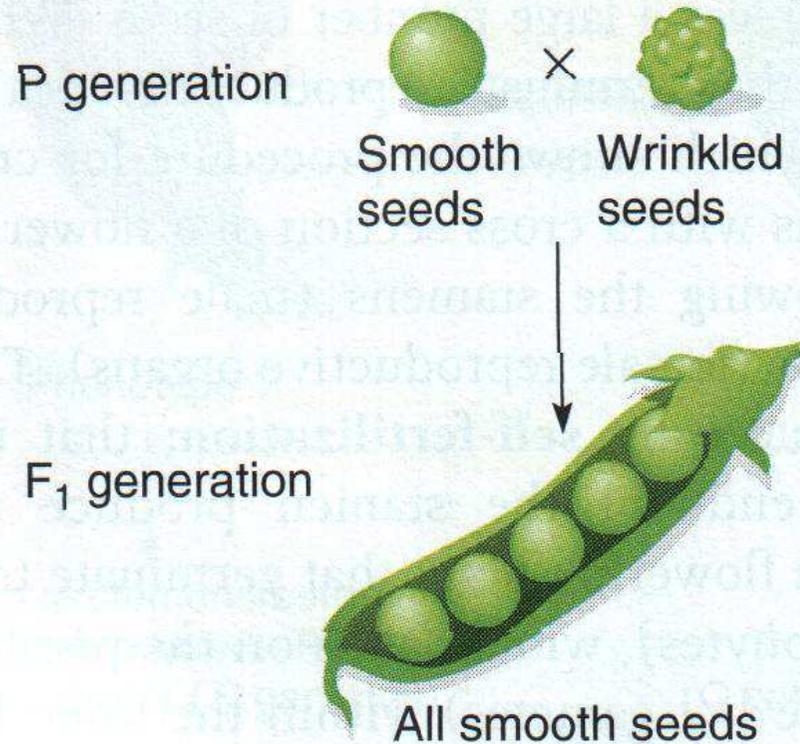


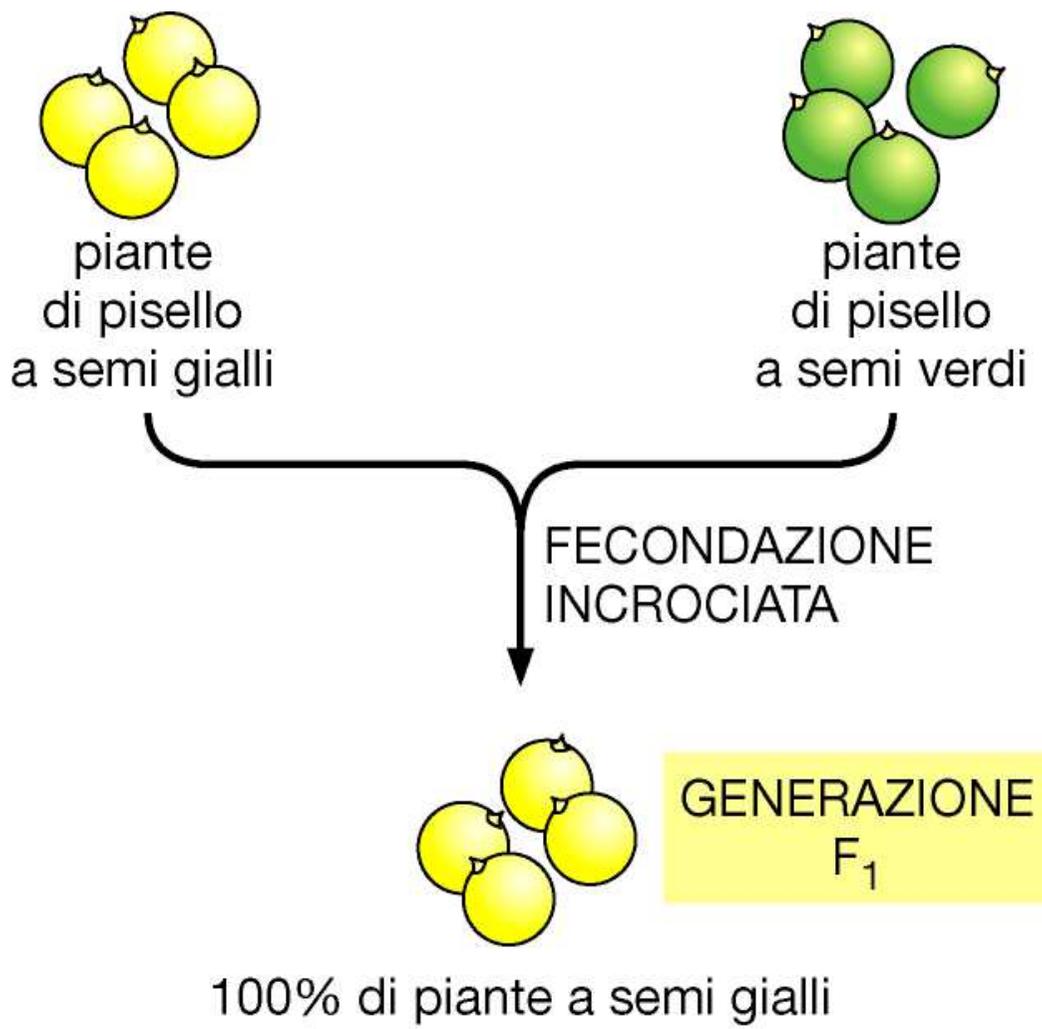
Observe phenotypes of offspring

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Prima variante del carattere (dominante)							
	rotondo ( <i>R</i> )	giallo ( <i>Y</i> )	rosso violetto	fiori assiali	turgido	verde	alta
Seconda variante del carattere (recessiva)							
	rugoso ( <i>r</i> )	verde ( <i>y</i> )	bianco	fiori terminali	raggrinzito	giallo	bassa

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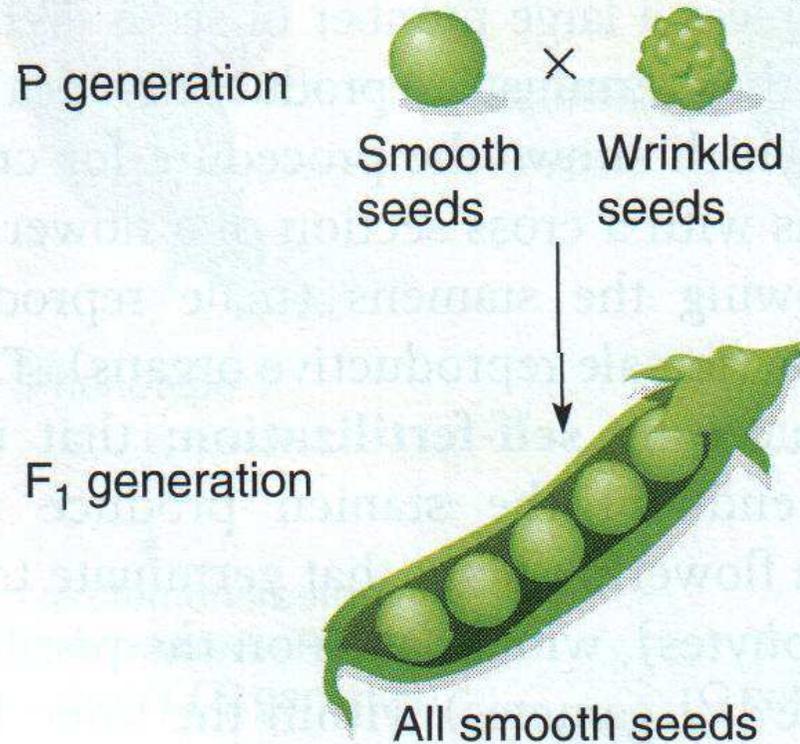


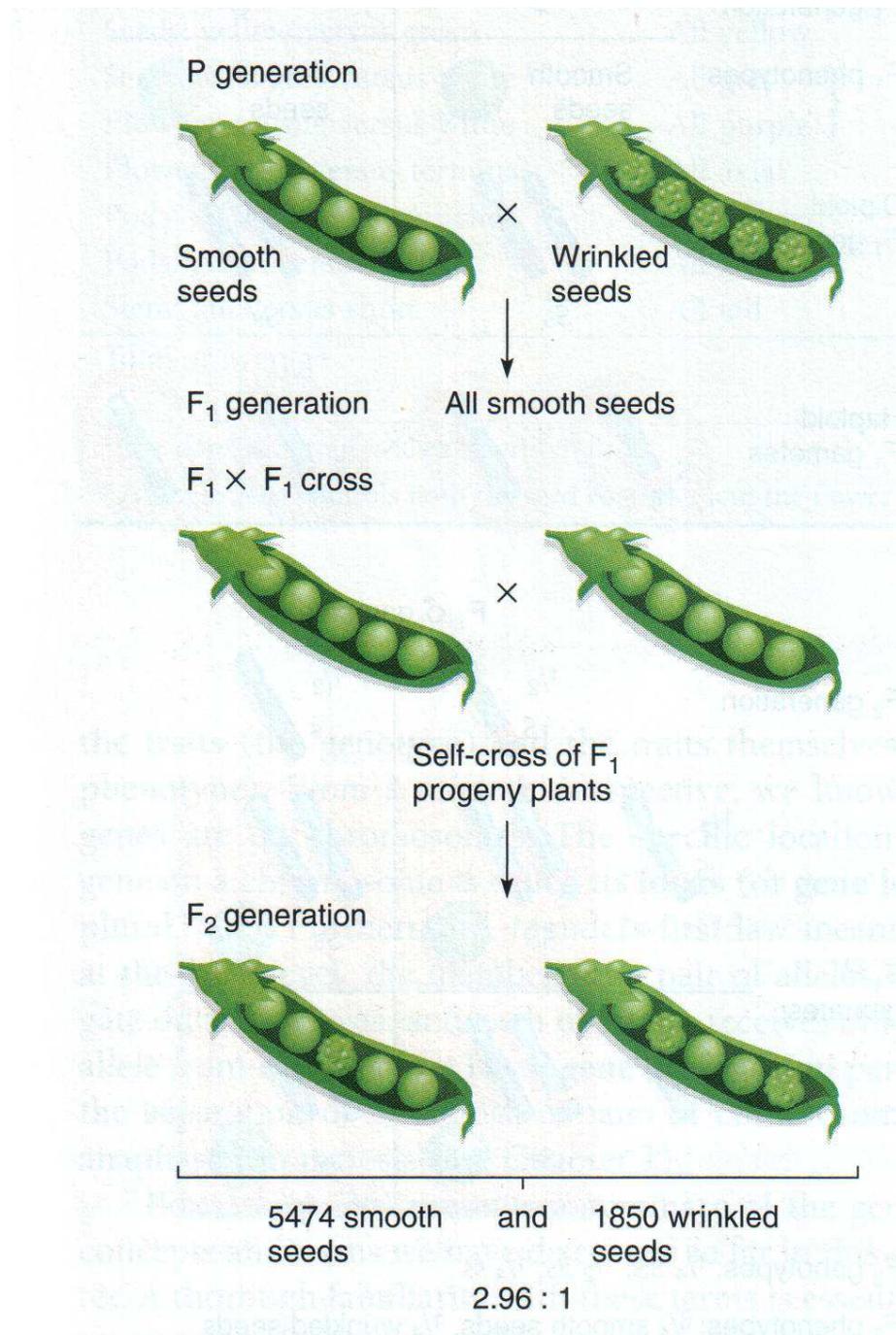


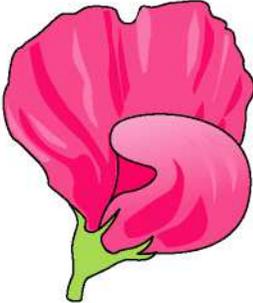
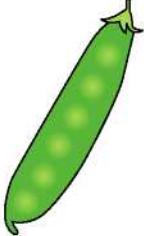
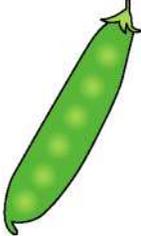
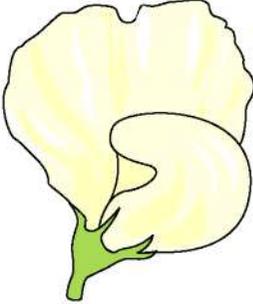
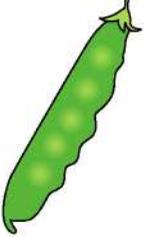
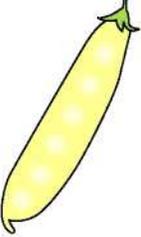
<b>Character<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>F<sub>1</sub></b>
Seeds: smooth versus wrinkled	All smooth
Seeds: yellow versus green	All yellow
Seed coats: grey versus white <sup>b</sup>	All grey
Flowers: purple versus white	All purple
Flowers: axial versus terminal	All axial
Pods: inflated versus pinched	All inflated
Pods: green versus yellow	All green
Stem: tall versus short	All tall

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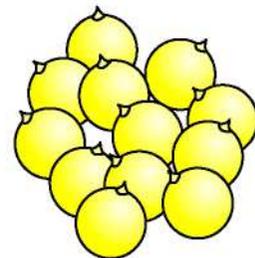


FECONDAZIONE INCROCIATA



100% di piante a semi gialli

AUTOINCROCIO



75% di piante a semi gialli



25% di piante a semi verdi

Character <sup>a</sup>	F <sub>1</sub>	F <sub>2</sub> (Number)			F <sub>2</sub> (Ratio)
		Dominant	Recessive	Total	Dominant : Recessive
Seeds: smooth versus wrinkled	All smooth	5,474	1,850	7,324	2.96:1
Seeds: yellow versus green	All yellow	6,022	2,001	8,023	3.01:1
Seed coats: grey versus white <sup>b</sup>	All grey	705	224	929	3.15:1
Flowers: purple versus white	All purple				
Flowers: axial versus terminal	All axial	651	207	858	3.14:1
Pods: inflated versus pinched	All inflated	882	299	1,181	2.95:1
Pods: green versus yellow	All green	428	152	580	2.82:1
Stem: tall versus short	All tall	787	277	1,064	2.84:1
Total or average		14,949	5,010	19,959	2.98:1

## Box 2.1 Genetics Terminology

**Alleles:** alternative forms of a gene. For example, the alleles  $S$  and  $s$  represent the smoothness and wrinkledness of the pea seed. (Like gene symbols, allele symbols are underlined or *italicized*.)

**Cross:** a mating between two individuals, leading to the fusion of gametes.

**Diploid:** a eukaryotic cell or organism with two homologous sets of chromosomes.

**Gamete:** a mature reproductive cell that is specialized for sexual fusion. Each gamete is haploid and fuses with a cell of similar origin but of opposite sex to produce a diploid zygote.

**Gene** (Mendelian factor): the determinant of a characteristic of an organism. Gene symbols are underlined or *italicized*.

**Genotype:** the genetic constitution of an organism. A diploid organism in which both alleles are the same at a given gene locus is said to be **homozygous** for that allele. Homozygotes produce only one gametic type with respect to that locus. For example, true-breeding smooth-seeded peas have the genotype  $SS$ , and true-breeding wrinkle-seeded peas have the genotype  $ss$ ; both are homozygous. The smooth parent is

**homozygous dominant**; the wrinkled parent is **homozygous recessive**.

Diploid organisms that have two different alleles at a specific gene locus are said to be **heterozygous**. Thus,  $F_1$  hybrid plants from the cross of  $SS$  and  $ss$  parents have one  $S$  allele and one  $s$  allele. Individuals heterozygous for two allelic forms of a gene produce two kinds of gametes ( $S$  and  $s$ ).

**Haploid:** a cell or an individual with one copy of each chromosome.

**Locus** (gene locus; plural = loci): the specific place on a chromosome where a gene is located.

**Phenotype:** the physical manifestation of a genetic trait that results from a specific genotype and its interaction with the environment. In our example, the  $S$  allele was dominant to the  $s$  allele, so in the heterozygous condition the seed is smooth. Therefore, both the homozygous dominant  $SS$  and the heterozygous  $Ss$  seeds have the same phenotype (smooth), even though they differ in genotype.

**Zygote:** the cell produced by the fusion of male and female gametes.

**1** I geni esistono in versioni differenti dette alleli.

**2** Un allele codifica semi rotondi...

Allele *R*

**3** ...mentre un altro codifica semi grinzosi.

Allele *r*

**4** I diversi alleli occupano il medesimo locus su cromosomi omologhi.

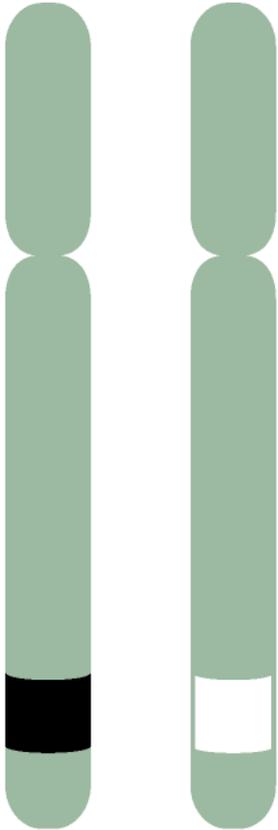
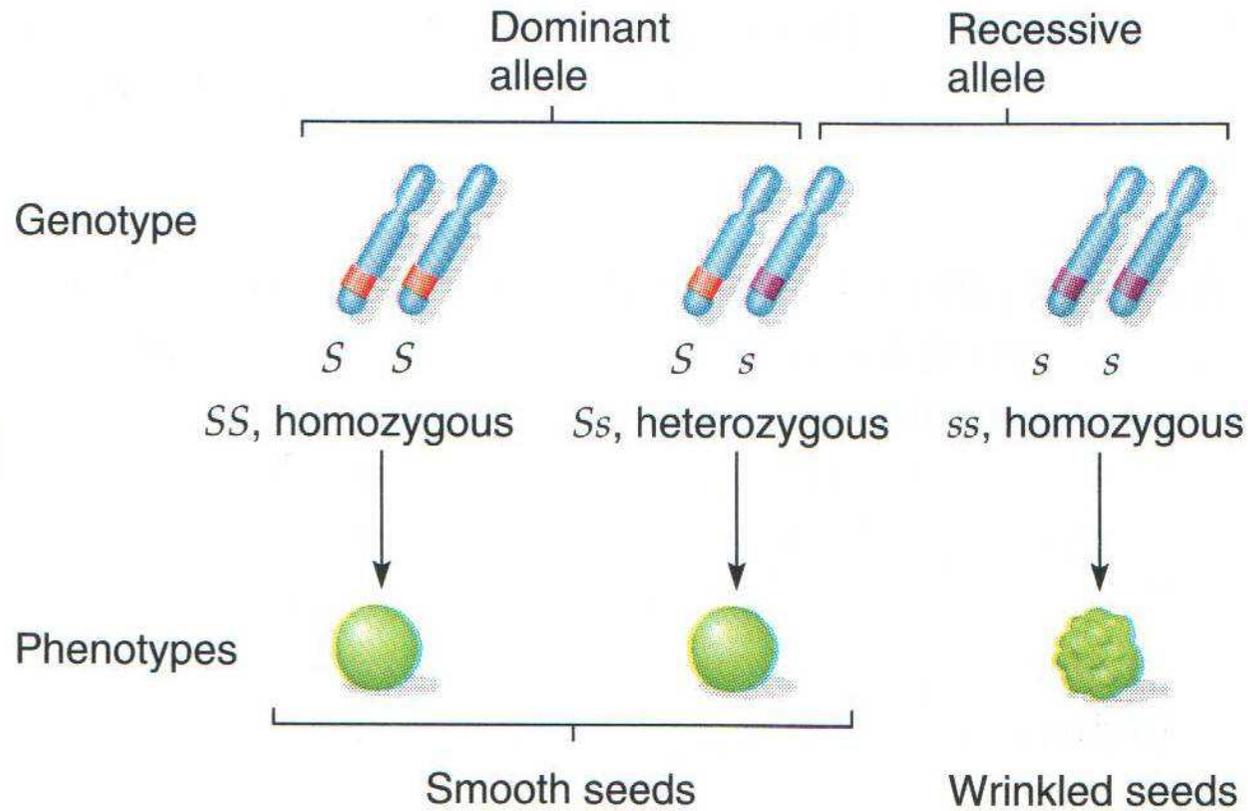
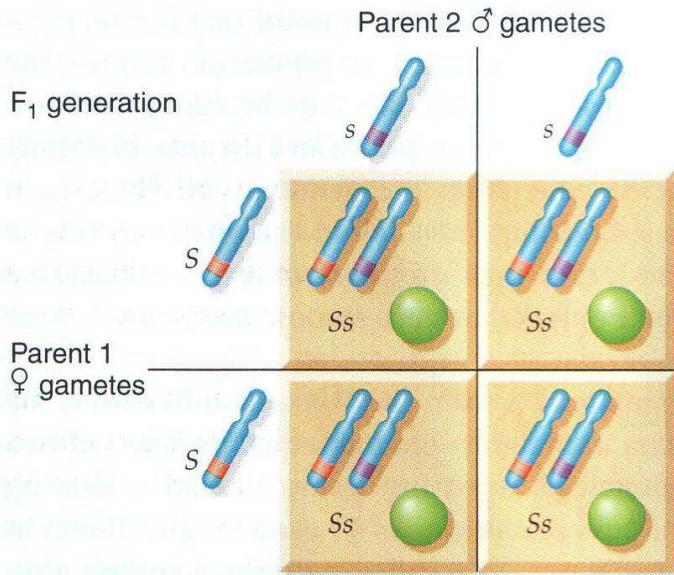
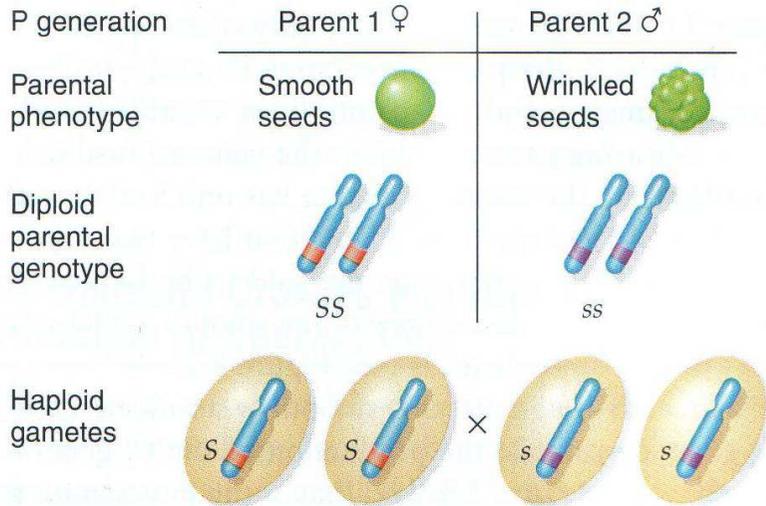


Figure 2.7

Dominant and recessive alleles of a gene for seed shape in peas.



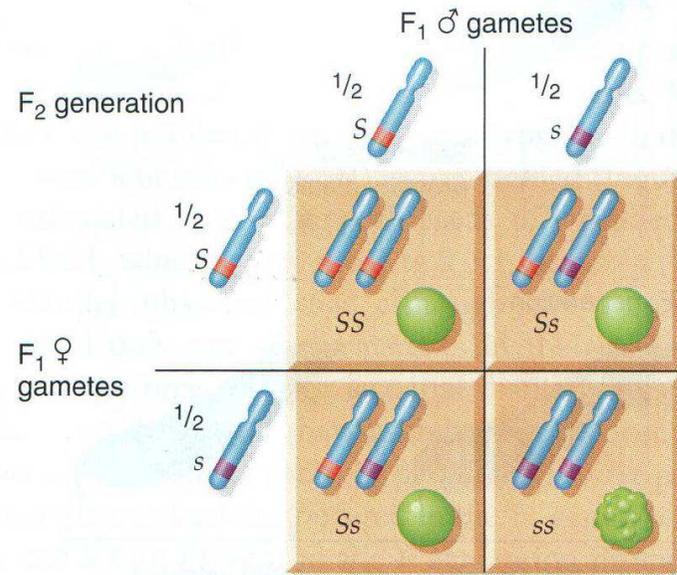
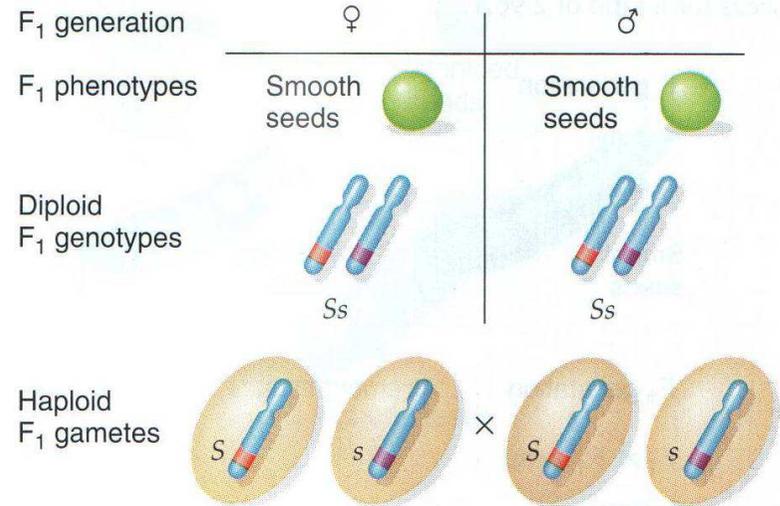
a)



F<sub>1</sub> genotypes: all Ss

F<sub>1</sub> phenotypes: all smooth (smooth is dominant to wrinkled)

b)

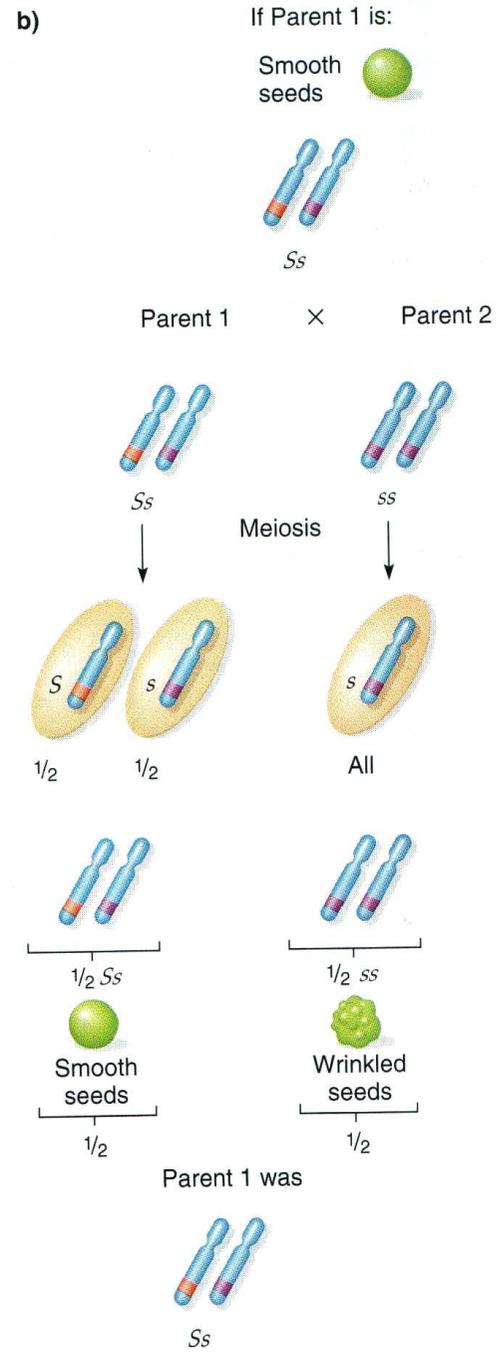
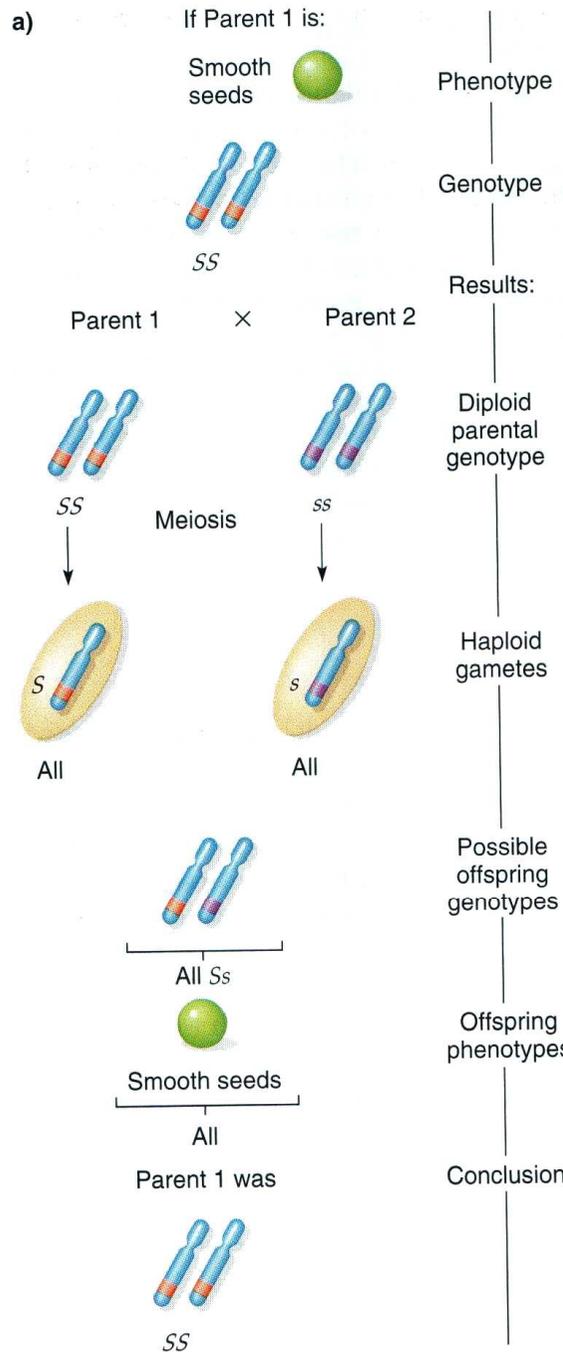


F<sub>2</sub> genotypes:  $\frac{1}{4}$  SS,  $\frac{1}{2}$  Ss,  $\frac{1}{4}$  ss

F<sub>2</sub> phenotypes:  $\frac{3}{4}$  smooth seeds,  $\frac{1}{4}$  wrinkled seeds

Il test del **re-incrocio** consiste nell'incrociare un individuo con genotipo non noto con un omozigote recessivo.

L'analisi del test consente di determinare il genotipo non noto.

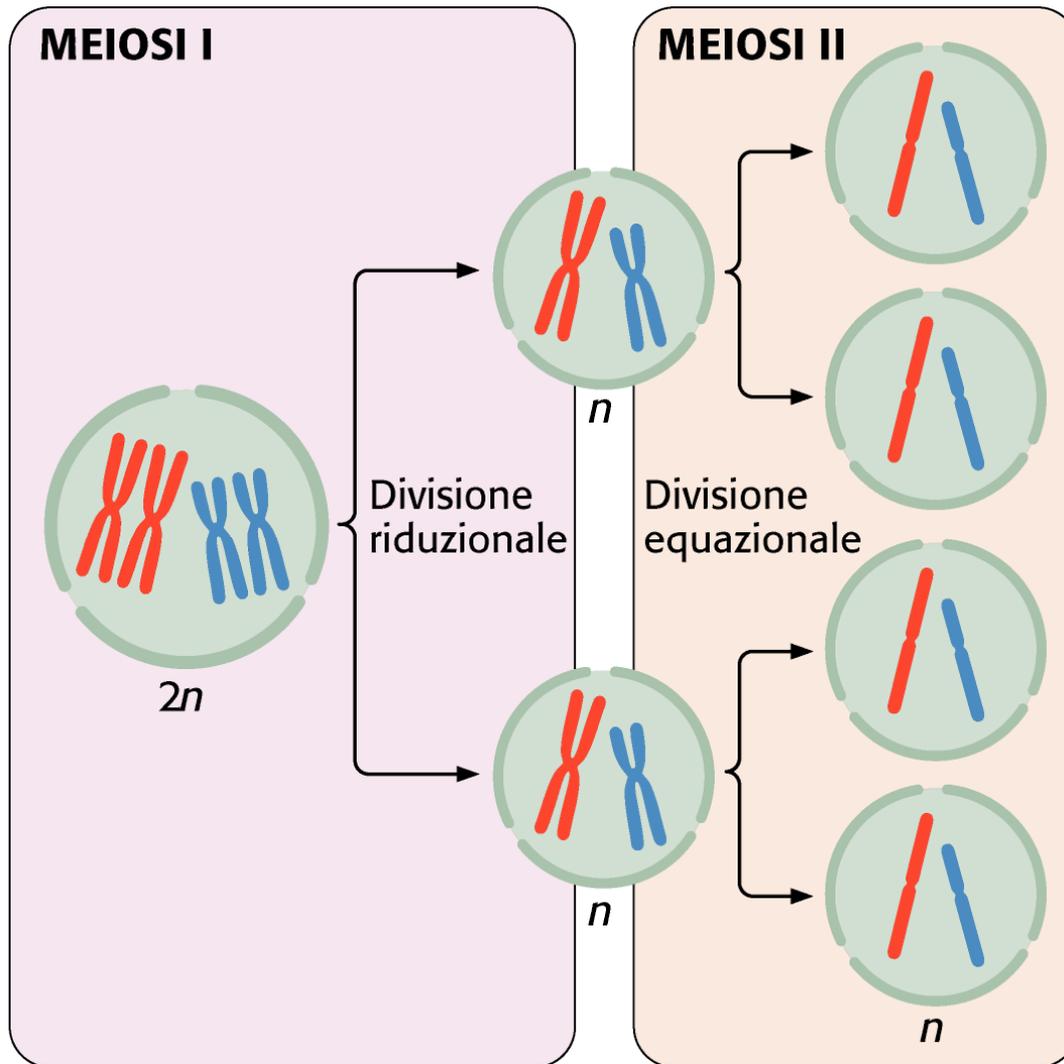


# **Prima Legge di Mendel:**

## **(Principio della Segregazione)**

Le due copie di un gene (gli alleli), segregano durante la formazione dei gameti.

La segregazione degli alleli è data dalla separazione dei cromosomi omologhi durante l'anafase della prima divisione meiotica.

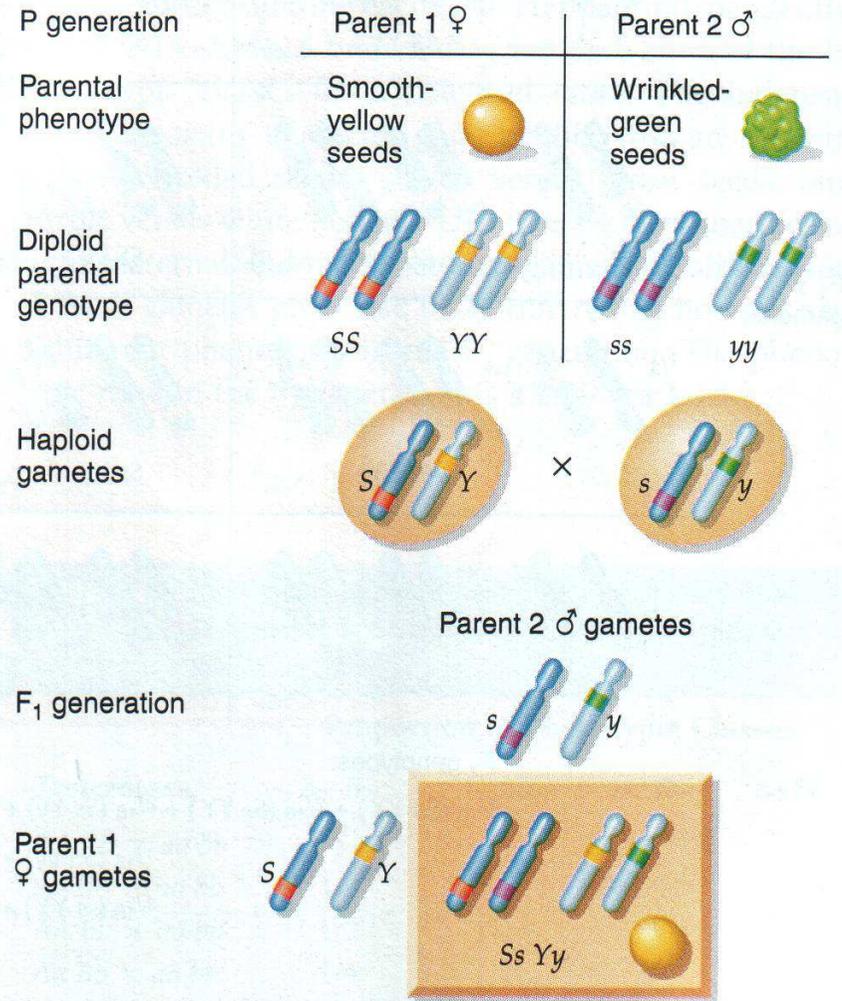


**Figure 2.12**

**The principle of independent assortment in a dihybrid cross.**

This cross, actually done by Mendel, involves the smooth/wrinkled and yellow/green character pairs of the garden pea. **(a)** Production of the F<sub>1</sub> generation.

**a)**



F<sub>1</sub> genotypes: all Ss Yy

F<sub>1</sub> phenotypes: all smooth-yellow seeds

**GENERAZIONE PARENTALE**



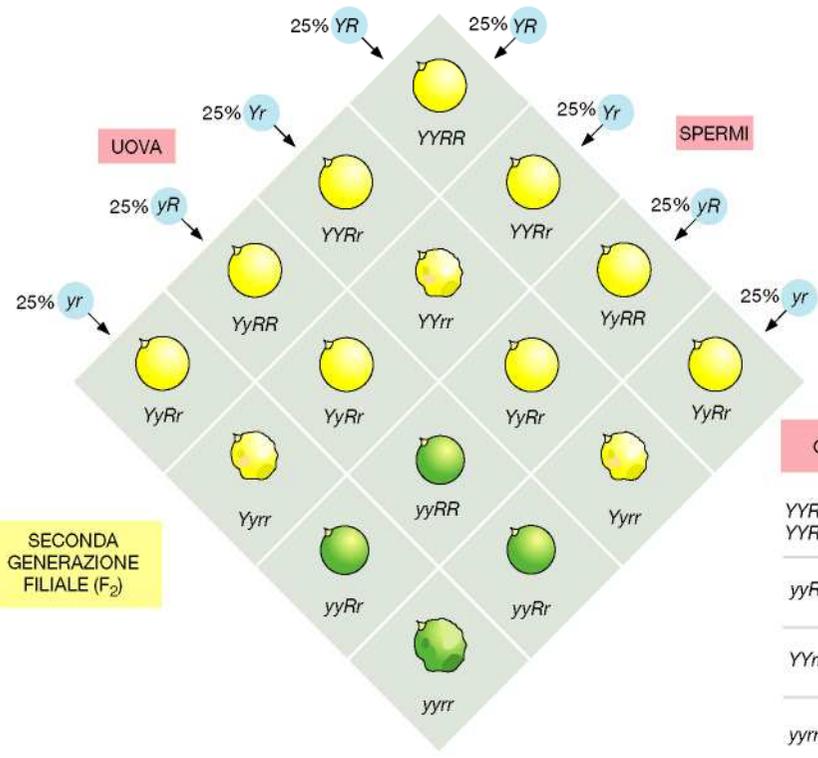
FECONDAZIONE INCROCIATA

**PRIMA GENERAZIONE FILIALE (F<sub>1</sub>)**



fenotipo: giallo liscio  
genotipo: YyRr

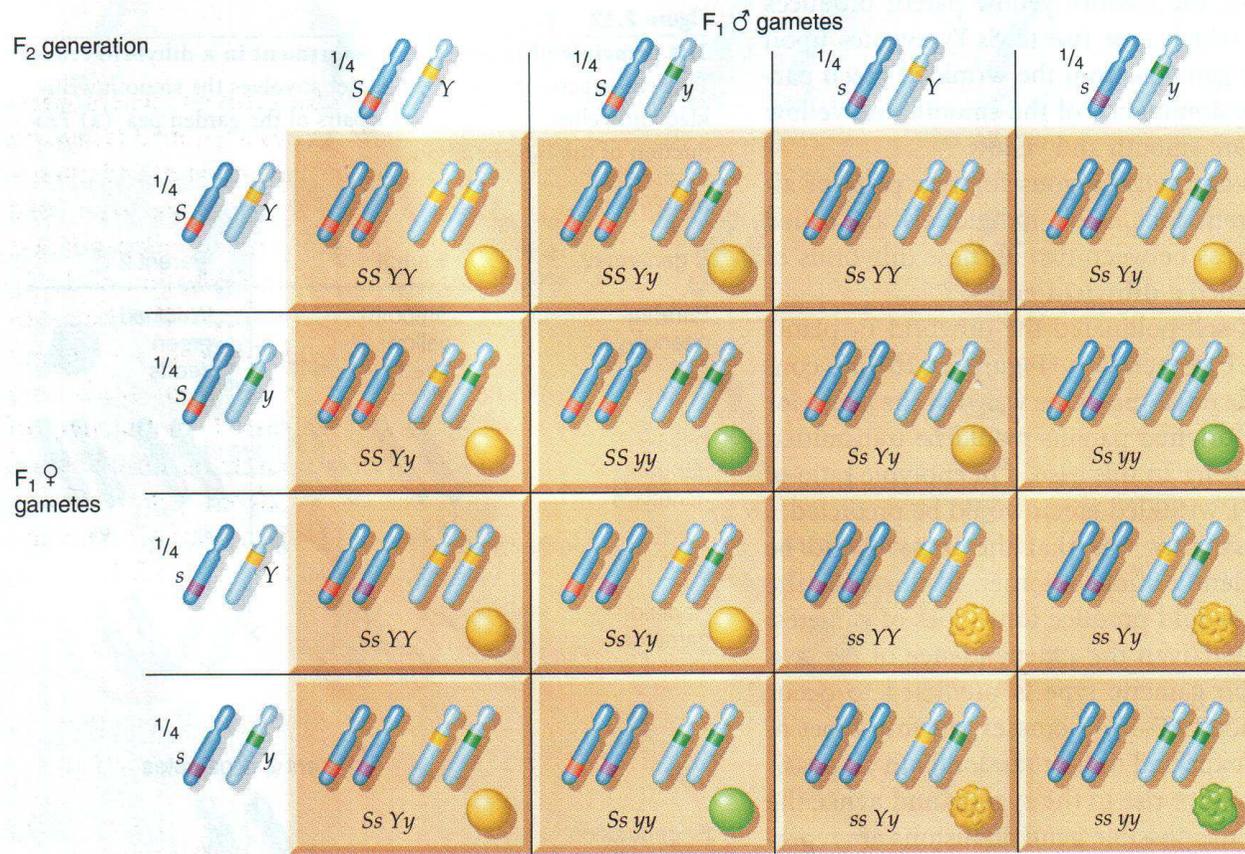
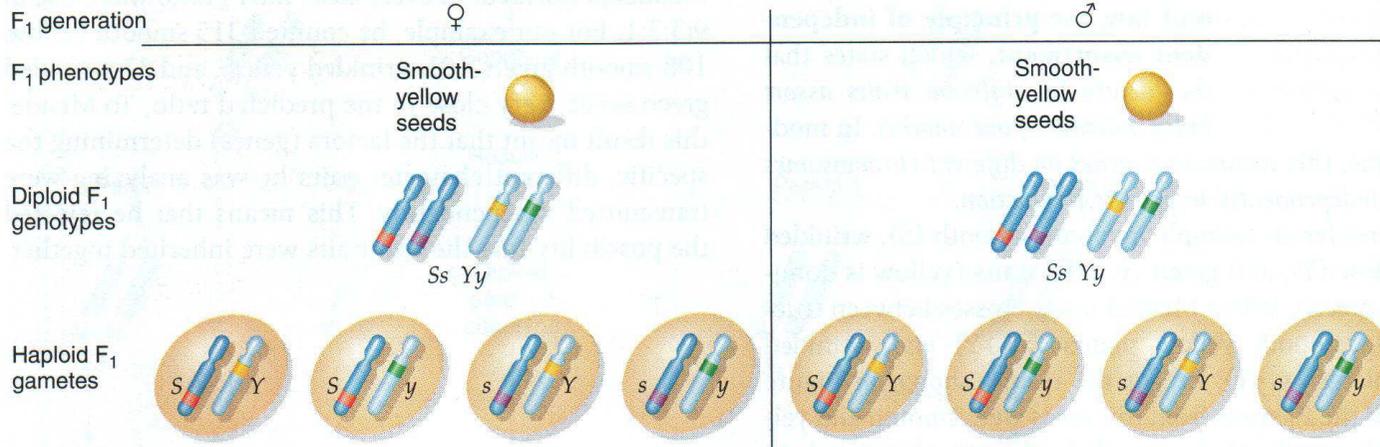
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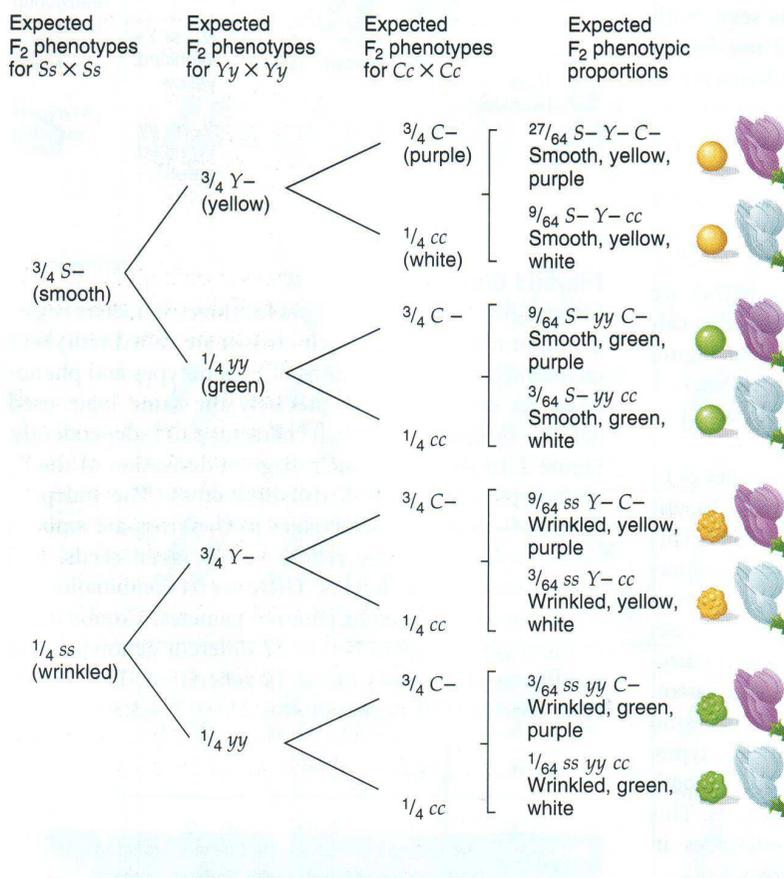
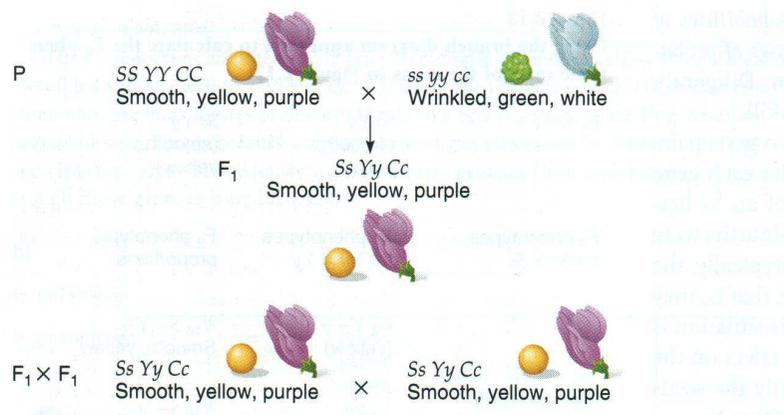


**SECONDA GENERAZIONE FILIALE (F<sub>2</sub>)**

GENOTIPI	FENOTIPO	RAPPORTO FENOTIPICO
YYRR YyRR, YYRr, YyRr		giallo liscio 9/16
yyRR, yyRr		verde liscio 3/16
YYrr, Yyrr		giallo rugoso 3/16
yyrr		verde rugoso 1/16

b)





# **Seconda Legge di Mendel:**

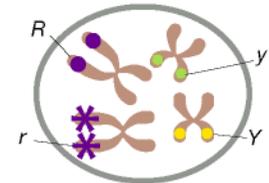
## **(Principio dell'Assortimento Indipendente)**

Alleli di geni differenti si assortiscono indipendentemente l'uno dall'altro.

Alleli di geni localizzati su cromosomi diversi si comportano indipendentemente durante la formazione dei gameti.



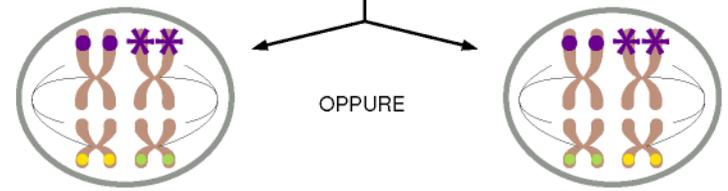
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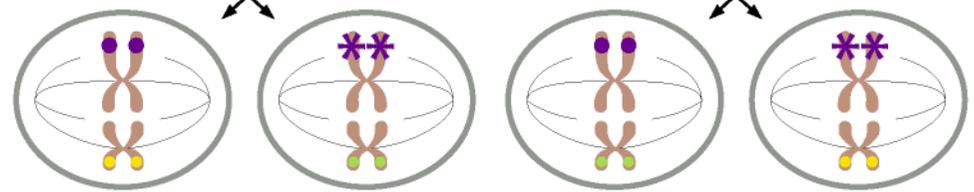
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GLI OMOLOGHI DUPLICATI  
SI ALLINEANO A CASO SUL FUSO  
ALLA METAFASE DELLA MEIOSI I

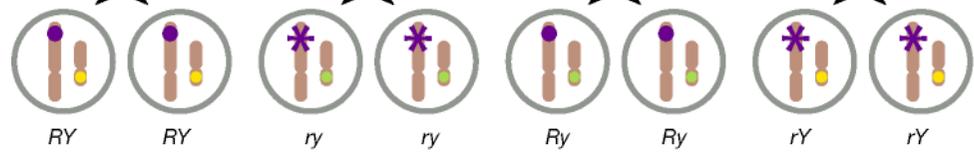
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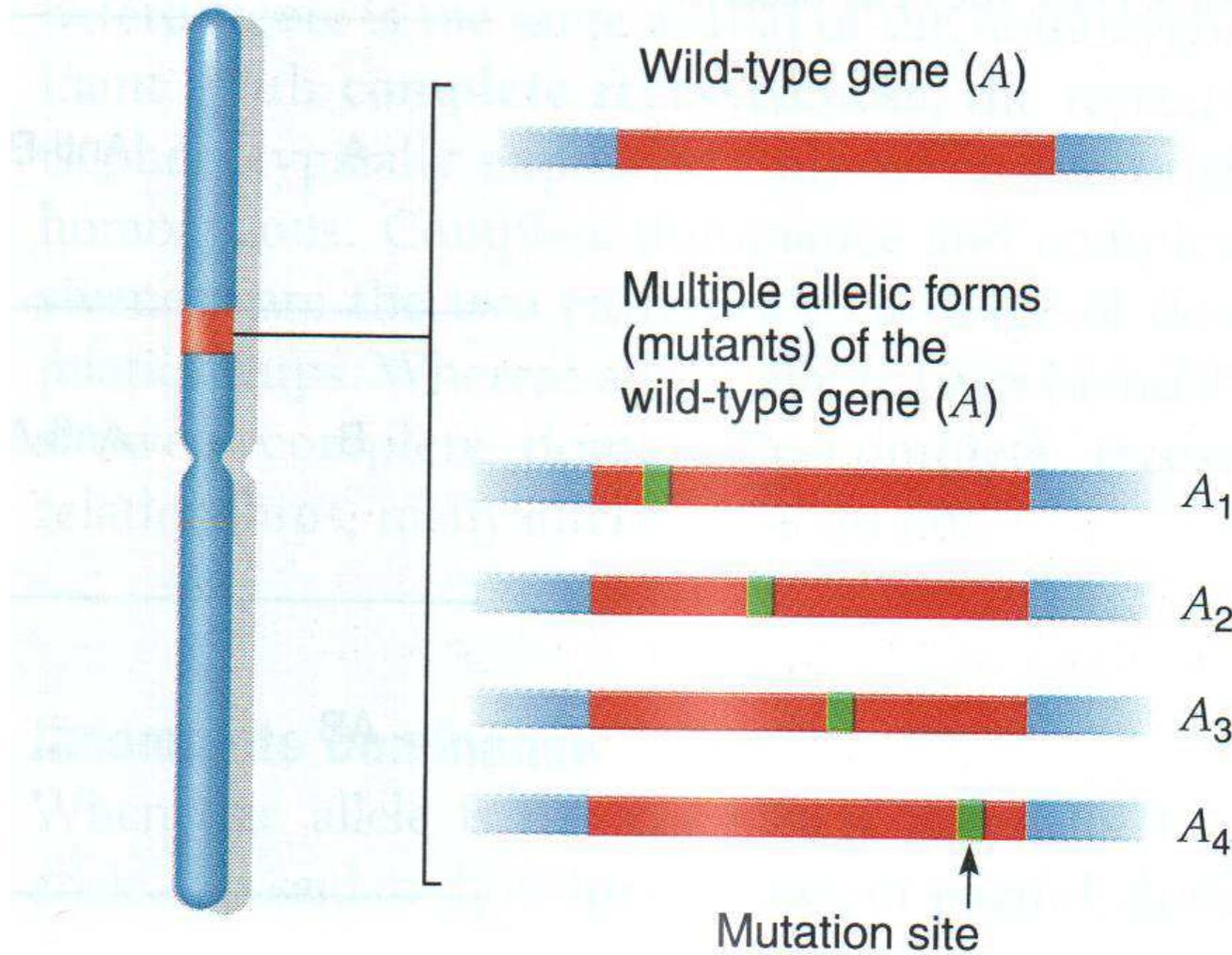


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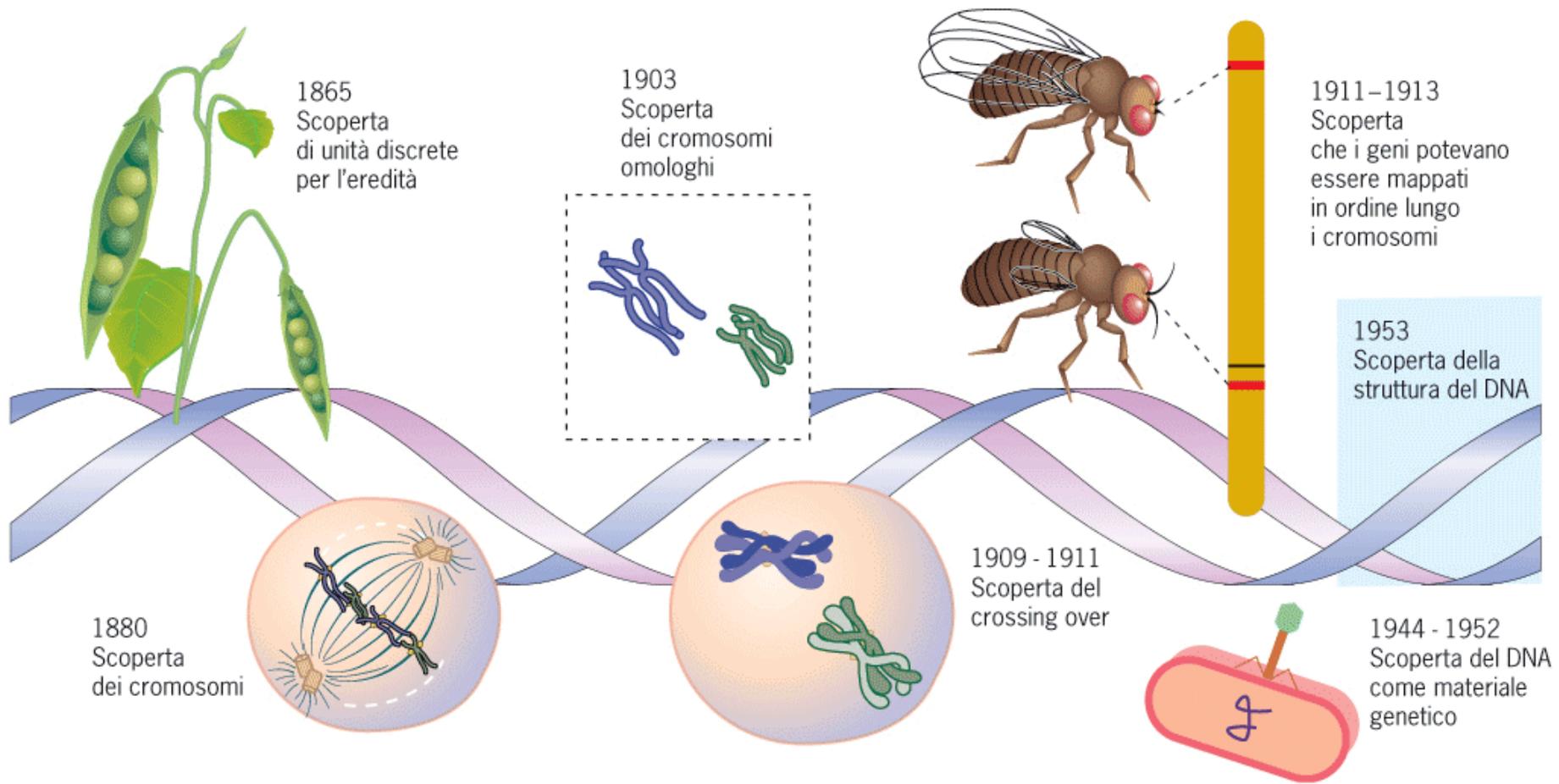
gameti

## Allelic forms of a gene.



# La “riscoperta” dei principi di Mendel

- Carl Correns                      mais, piselli
- Hugo de Vries                    piante
- Erich von Tschermak            piselli
- William Bateson                 fagiani



1865  
Scoperta  
di unità discrete  
per l'eredità

1903  
Scoperta  
dei cromosomi  
omologhi

1911-1913  
Scoperta  
che i geni potevano  
essere mappati  
in ordine lungo  
i cromosomi

1953  
Scoperta della  
struttura del DNA

1880  
Scoperta  
dei cromosomi

1909 - 1911  
Scoperta del  
crossing over

1944 - 1952  
Scoperta del DNA  
come materiale  
genetico

# La Teoria Cromosomica dell'Eredità

W. Sutton e T. Boveri (1903)

La trasmissione dei cromosomi da una generazione all'altra correla con la trasmissione dei fattori mendeliani.

I fattori mendeliani (geni) sono localizzati sui cromosomi?