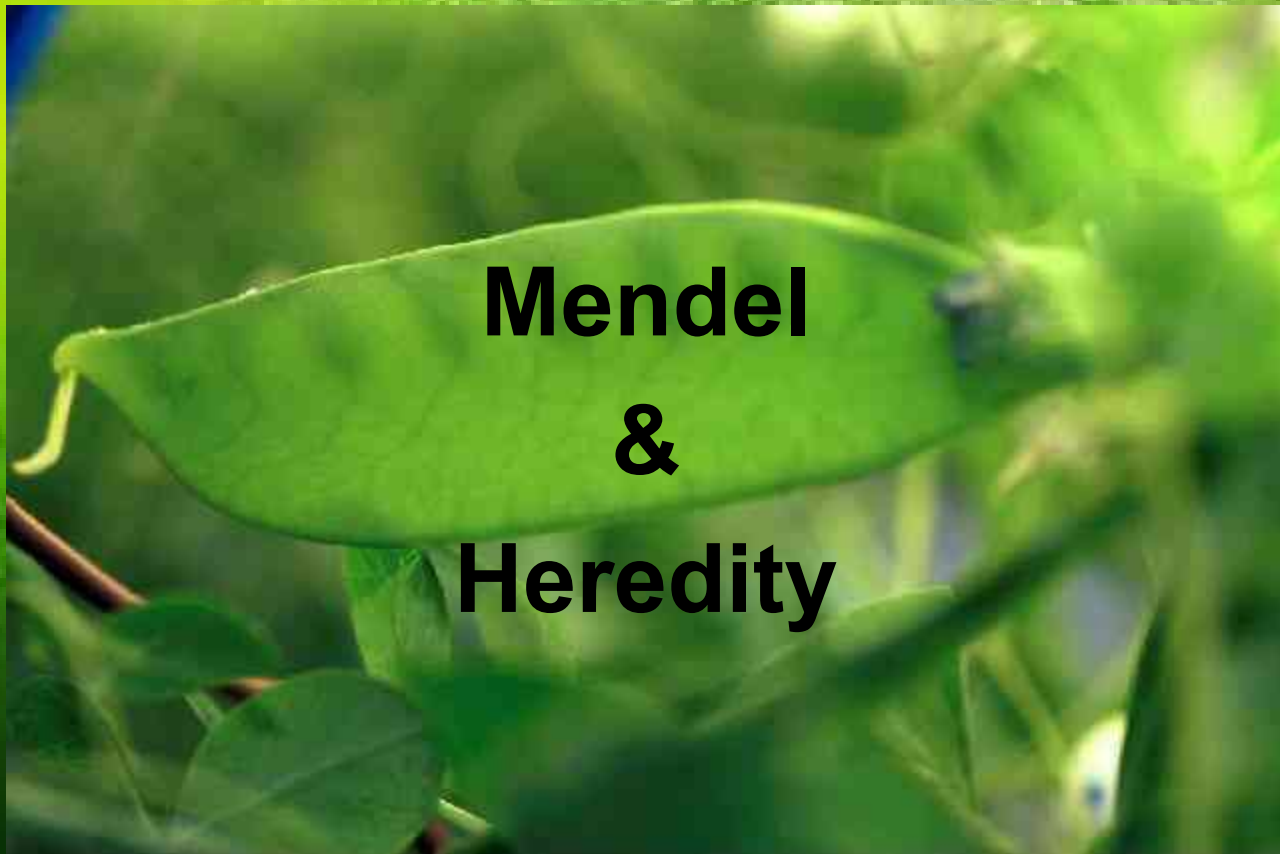


# Chapter 8



**Mendel  
&  
Heredity**

# Mendelian Genetics

- **Gregor Mendel**- was a Czechoslovakian monk who grew pea plants to study their traits and heredity
- the “Father of Genetics”



# Mendel's Work

- **Traits-** characteristics of an organism
  - Ex: height, hair color, shape, blood type
- **Heredity-** the study of traits that are passed from parents to offspring
- **Genetics-** field of biology studying heredity & DNA

# Mendel's Experiments

Plant Height: tall vs. short plants

Flower Color: purple vs. white flowers






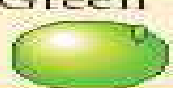








Seed Color: yellow vs. green seeds

Seed Shape: smooth vs. wrinkled seeds

Pod Color: green vs. yellow pods

Pod Shape: inflated vs. constricted pods

# Pea Plant Traits

Character	Dominant Trait	X	Recessive Trait
Flower color	Purple 	X	White 
Flower position	Axial 	X	Terminal 
Seed color	Yellow 	X	Green 
Seed shape	Round 	X	Wrinkled 
Pod shape	Inflated 	X	Constricted 
Pod color	Green 	X	Yellow 
Stem length	Tall 	X	Dwarf 

# Dominant & Recessive Traits (Alleles)

- **Genes-** a segment of DNA that determines an organisms traits
  - An organism has 2 Alleles for each trait(1 from each parent)
- **Dominant Alleles (D)-** stronger genes, are always seen in the organisms appearance
- **Recessive Alleles (d)-** weaker genes, are hidden by dominant genes
  - Recessive alleles are only seen if an organism has 2 recessive genes for the trait

# Dominant vs. recessive

- **Dominant** = Capitol ex: **R** - red gene
- **recessive** = lower case ex: **r** - white gene
- Genotypes:
  - RR** = red (pure) – 2 dominant genes
  - Rr** = red(hybrid) – 1 dominant, 1 recessive gene
  - rr** = white(pure) – 2 recessive genes

# Genotype & Phenotype

- **Genotype**- the combination of genes for a trait
  - Ex: **Rr, RR, rr**
- **Phenotype**- the physical appearance of a trait
  - Ex: flower color- red or white

**Rr** – red hybrid

**Genotype**

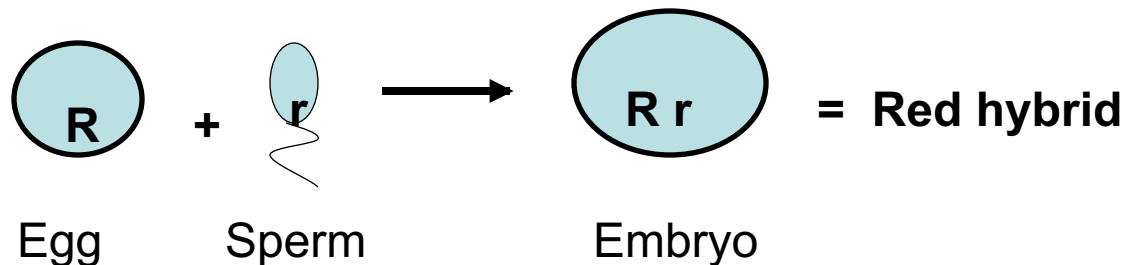
**Phenotype**





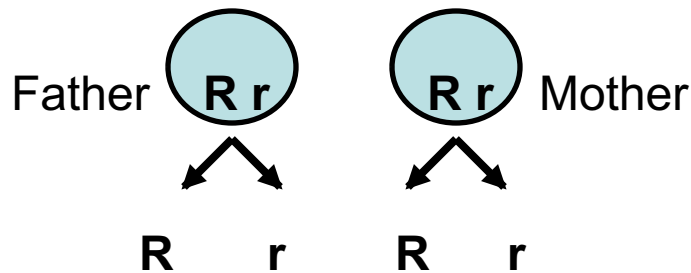
# Principles of Genetics

- **Principle of Dominance-** one gene for a trait may hide the other gene and prevent it from being expressed(seen)
  - Ex: dominant hides recessive,  $Rr = \text{red}$   
White gene is hidden
- **Principle of Segregation-** the 2 genes for a trait separate when sex cells(gametes) are formed
  - Ex: Eggs & sperm only contain 1 gene for each trait



# Principles of Genetics

- **Principle of Independent Assortment-** genes for different traits separate independently of one another during the formation of gametes(egg & sperm)
  - Ex: there is a 50:50 chance of getting a specific gene from each parent

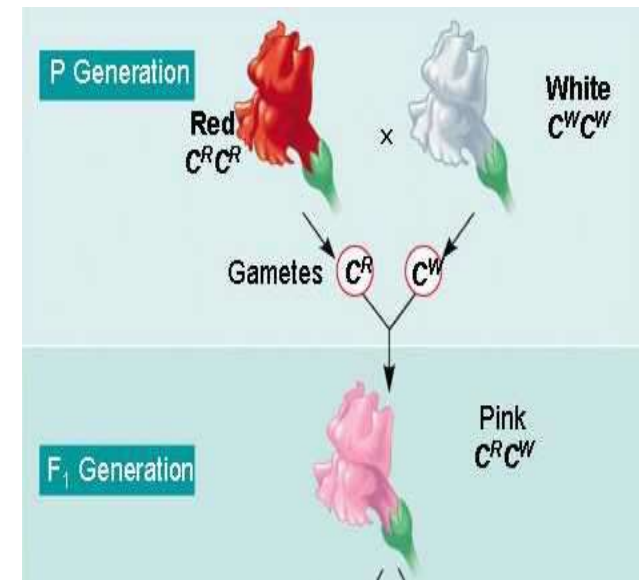


Offspring Could Be:

RR  
or  
Rr  
or  
rr

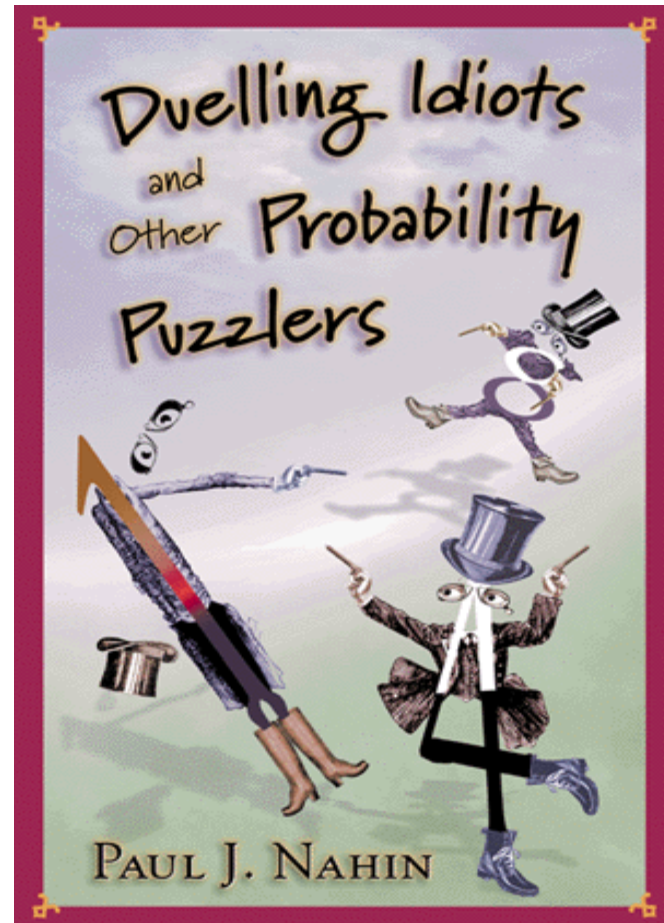
# Incomplete Dominance

- **Incomplete Dominance** is a rare occurrence when 2 genes blend together to form a trait
  - Ex: **R** = red **RR** = red  
**R'** = white **R'R'** = white  
**RR'** = pink



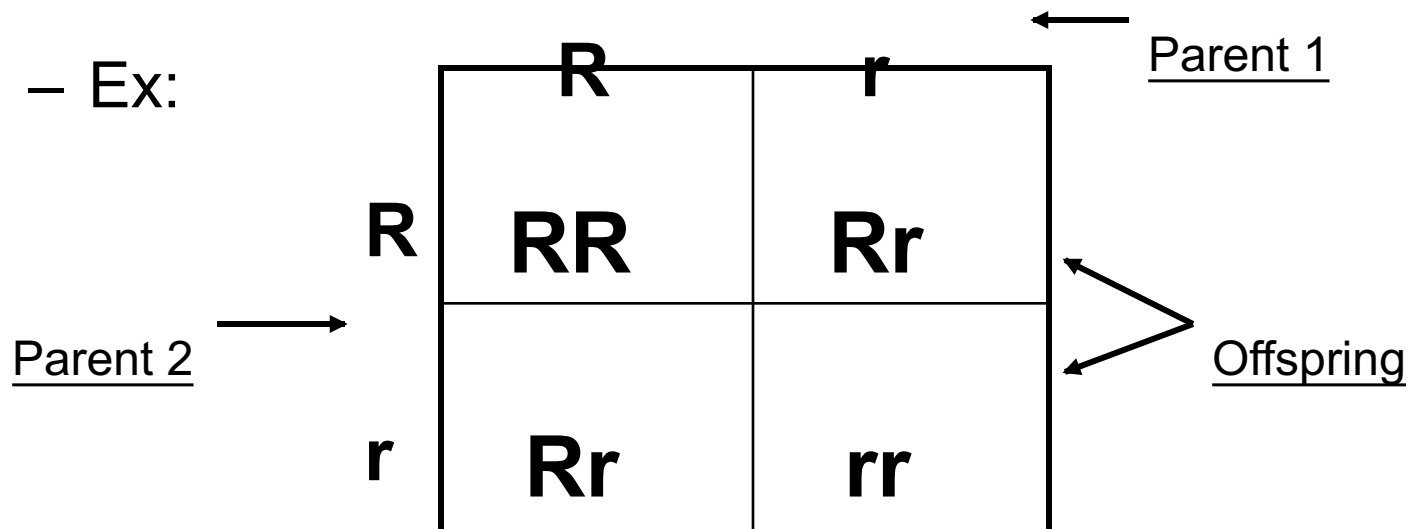
# Probability

- Probability is the likelihood that a gene or trait will be inherited



# Punnett Squares

- Punnett squares are charts that show possible gene combinations when 2 organisms produce offspring



# Monohybrid Cross

- A cross involving only 1 trait
- Both parents are hybrids in monohybrid cross
- \* Both parents have 1 dominant & 1 recessive gene for the trait

Ex: Eye color Ex: Pea-Pod color

# Dihybrid Cross

- A dihybrid cross involves 2 traits
- Both parents are hybrids for both traits
- Both parents have 1 dominant and 1 recessive gene for each trait

Ex: Pea Shape & Color

Shape: **R** = round, **r** = wrinkled

Color: **Y** = yellow, **y** = green

# Dihybrid Cross

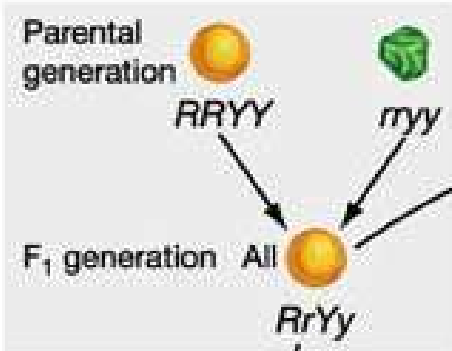
Ex: Pea Shape(**Rr**) & Pea Color(**Yy**)



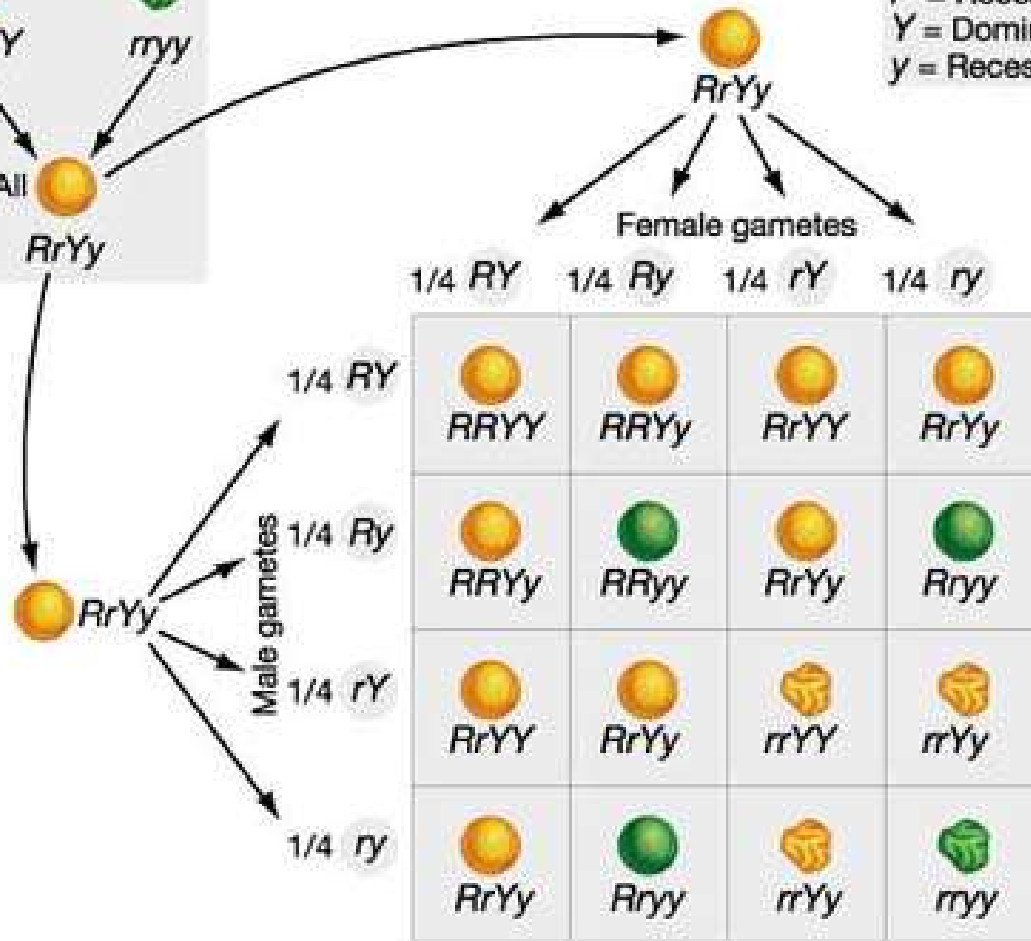

# Dihybrid Cross

- Phenotypic Ratio- **9:3:3:1**
- A dihybrid cross will **ALWAYS** result in the following ratio:
  - 9** : both dominant traits
  - 3** : 1 dominant & 1 recessive trait
  - 3** : 1 dominant & 1 recessive trait
  - 1** : both recessive traits

# Dihybrid Cross



$R$  = Dominant allele for seed shape (round)  
 $r$  = Recessive allele for seed shape (wrinkled)  
 $Y$  = Dominant allele for seed color (yellow)  
 $y$  = Recessive allele for seed color (green)



Resulting genotypes:  $9/16 R-Y-$  :  $3/16 R-yy$  :  $3/16 rrY-$  :  $1/16 rryy$

Resulting phenotypes:  $9/16$  :  $3/16$  :  $3/16$  :  $1/16$

# Incomplete Dominance

- Incomplete Dominance occurs when both genes blend together when forming a trait

Ex: Flower Color

**R** = red

**R'** = white

**RR'** = pink


# Blood Types

- Human blood types are an example of co-dominant genes
- Human Blood Types:**A**  
**B**  
**AB**  
**O**

# Genetics of Blood Types

- Blood Type Genes:

Dominant Genes =  $I^A$

$I^B$

Recessive Gene =  $i$

- Possible Combinations:

$I^A I^A$  = type A  $I^B I^B$  = type B

$I^A i$  = type A  $I^B i$  = type B

$I^B I^A$  = type AB  $ii$  = type O

# Blood Types



Blood type A



Blood type B

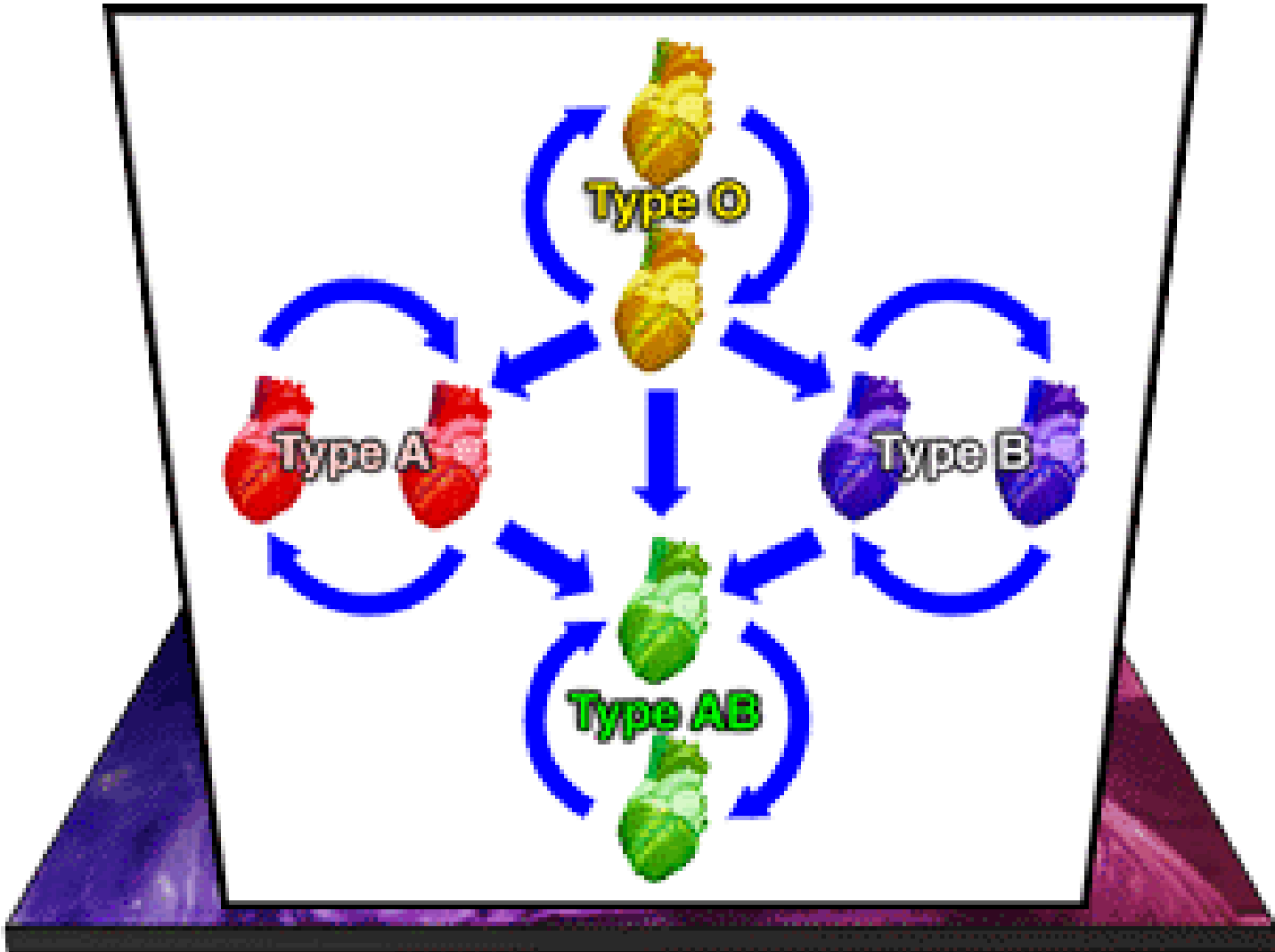


Blood Type AB



Blood Type O

# Giving & Receiving Blood



# Blood Type Punnetts

- Ex: Mother Type AB( $I^A I^B$ )  
Father Type O(ii)


- Ex: Mother Type A ( $I^A i$ )  
Father Type B ( $I^B i$ )




# Sex-Linked Traits

- Sex-linked traits are traits that are inherited only on the X-chromosome
- The Y-chromosome does not carry sex-linked traits

Ex: Hemophilia(h) – a recessive sex-linked trait

**X** - normal X

**X<sup>h</sup>** - X carrying hemophilia gene

**Y** - normal Y

# Hemophilia Punnett Square

- Carrier Mother( $X^hX$ ) & Normal Father( $XY$ )


**END OF CHAPTER 8 NOTES!!!**