

Chapter 17 – Sex Chromosomes, Linkage, & Organelles

I. Sex-Linked Genes

A. Sex chromosomes have small areas of homology (same genes) at their tips

B. X-Chromosome

1. Has over 1000 genes, Y has 50
2. X chromosome genes are “x-linked”
3. Males only pass X-linked genes onto their **daughters**
4. Males only need one copy of an X-linked recessive to show the recessive phenotype
 - a. *I.e.* If a male has one X-chromosome with the recessive allele for color blindness, there is no “normal” other X-chromosome containing the dominant allele for normal vision. In a female, the other X chromosome would “block” the one with the recessive allele.
 - b. Red-green color blindness is a recessive X-linked trait

C. Y Chromosome

1. The SRY gene on the Y chromosome sets the human embryo on the male development pathway
2. Only sons inherit Y-linked genes
3. Fathers pass Y-linked genes to all sons
4. Only maleness & some male fertility traits are known to follow a Y-linked pattern of inheritance

II. Linked Genes

- A. Genes that are located close to each other on the same chromosome
- B. Tend to be inherited as a group
- C. Thomas Morgan's Fruit Fly Experiment
 - 1. Uses different notation for dominant recessive for fruit flies
 - a. b^+/c^+ = dominant
 - b. b/c = recessive

	<u>bc</u>	<u>Phenotype</u>
b^+c^+	b^+c^+bc	Gray/Straight
b^+c	b^+cbc	Gray/Curved
bc^+	bc^+bc	Black/Straight
bc	$bcbc$	Black/Curved

**Gray Body
Straight Wings**

**Black Body
Curved Wings**

$b^+b^+c^+c^+$ x $bbcc$

**Gray Body
Straight Wings**

Test Cross

$b^+b\ c^+c$ x $bbcc$

Expect what from this cross (^) if genes are **unlinked**? Punnett Square:

**Test
Cross**

**Gray
Body/Straight
Wings**

Expected outcome: 1:1:1:1 ratio of phenotypes

Expect what if genes are **linked**? (Inherited together)

$b^+b\ c^+c$ x $bbcc$

**Test
Cross**

**Gray
Body/Straight
Wings**

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Actual Findings from Experiment: Some new phenotypes (supports first cross, meaning genes are unlinked), but also found lots of parental phenotypes (supports second cross, meaning genes are unlinked)

III. Morgan's Experiment With Linked Genes (continued)

A. Morgan proposed new phenotypes are due to **crossing over** (*fig. 17.10*)

1. Used this to figure out relative location of genes on a chromosome
 - a. Frequency of recombination is a measure of the distance between genes (*Fig. 17.10a*)
 - b. Use **recombination frequencies** to estimate distance between genes
 - i. **Map Distance** between 2 linked genes = $(\# \text{ recombinant offspring} / \text{total } \# \text{ of offspring}) \times 100$
 - ii. **One map unit (aka centimorgans) = 1% recombination frequency**

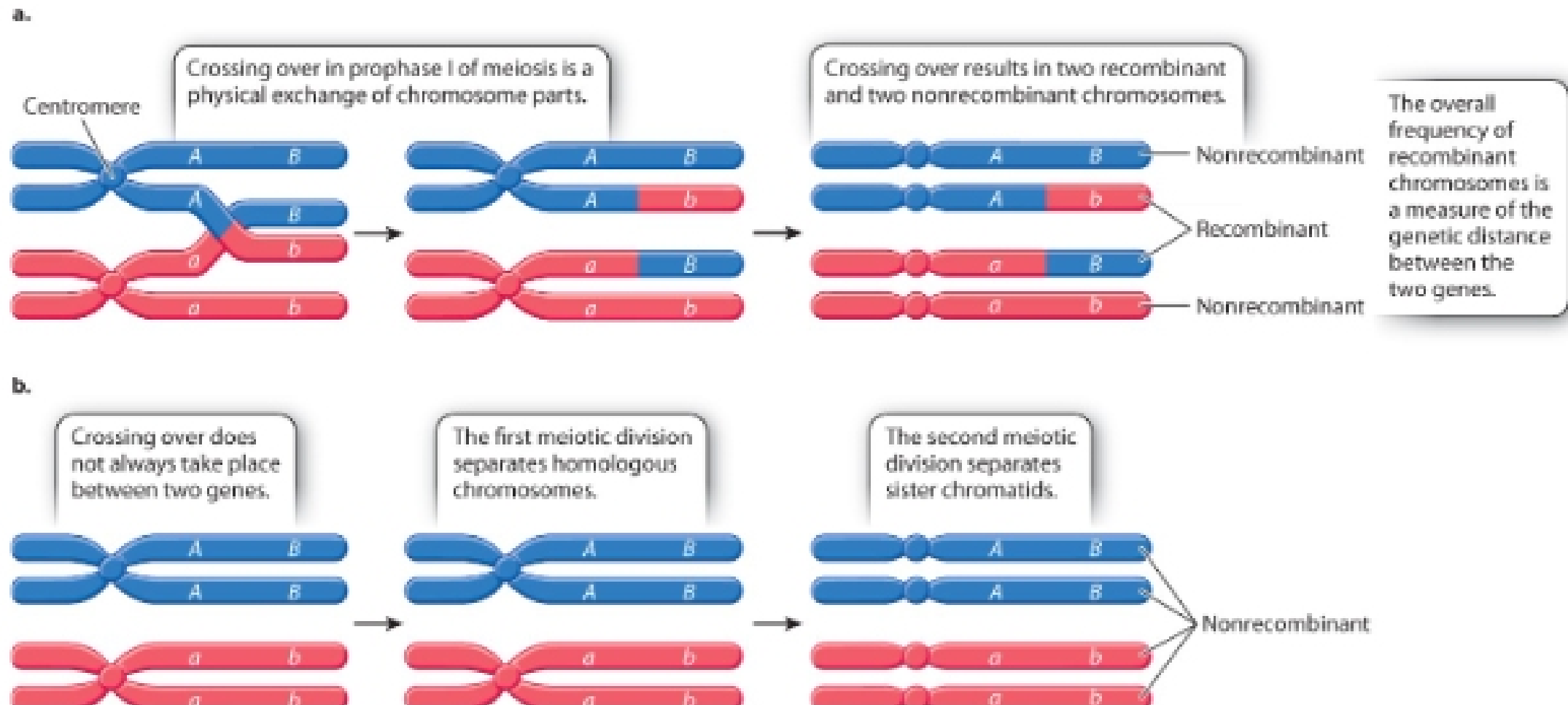


Fig. 17.10