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Learning Objectives

By the end of this lab, students should be able to:

- 1 Define chromosomal abnormalities and distinguish numerical from structural defects.
- 2 Explain the mechanisms that lead to nondisjunction, breakage, and faulty repair.
- 3 Interpret chromosomal abnormalities clinically using real cases.
- 4 Write correct ISCN nomenclature for numerical and structural changes.
- 5 Correlate genotype → phenotype in common syndromes.



Introduction

MEDICAL GENETICS LAB.

Chromosomal abnormalities are alterations in **chromosome number or structure** that disrupt normal gene dosage, leading to developmental, physiological, or reproductive abnormalities. **They occur during meiosis, mitosis, or due to DNA repair defects.**

These abnormalities are classified into:

- **Numerical Chromosomal Abnormalities**
- **Structural Chromosomal Abnormalities**

Understanding these abnormalities is essential in clinical cytogenetics, prenatal diagnosis, oncology, and infertility studies.



Causes of Chromosomal Abnormalities

Cause

Nondisjunction

Anaphase Lag

DNA Breakage

Recombination Errors

Transposable Elements

Advanced Maternal Age

Mechanism

Failure of homologous chromosomes or sister chromatids to separate during meiosis I or II (leading to trisomy or monosomy).

Loss of a chromosome during segregation → monosomy.

Ionizing radiation, chemicals → structural abnormalities.

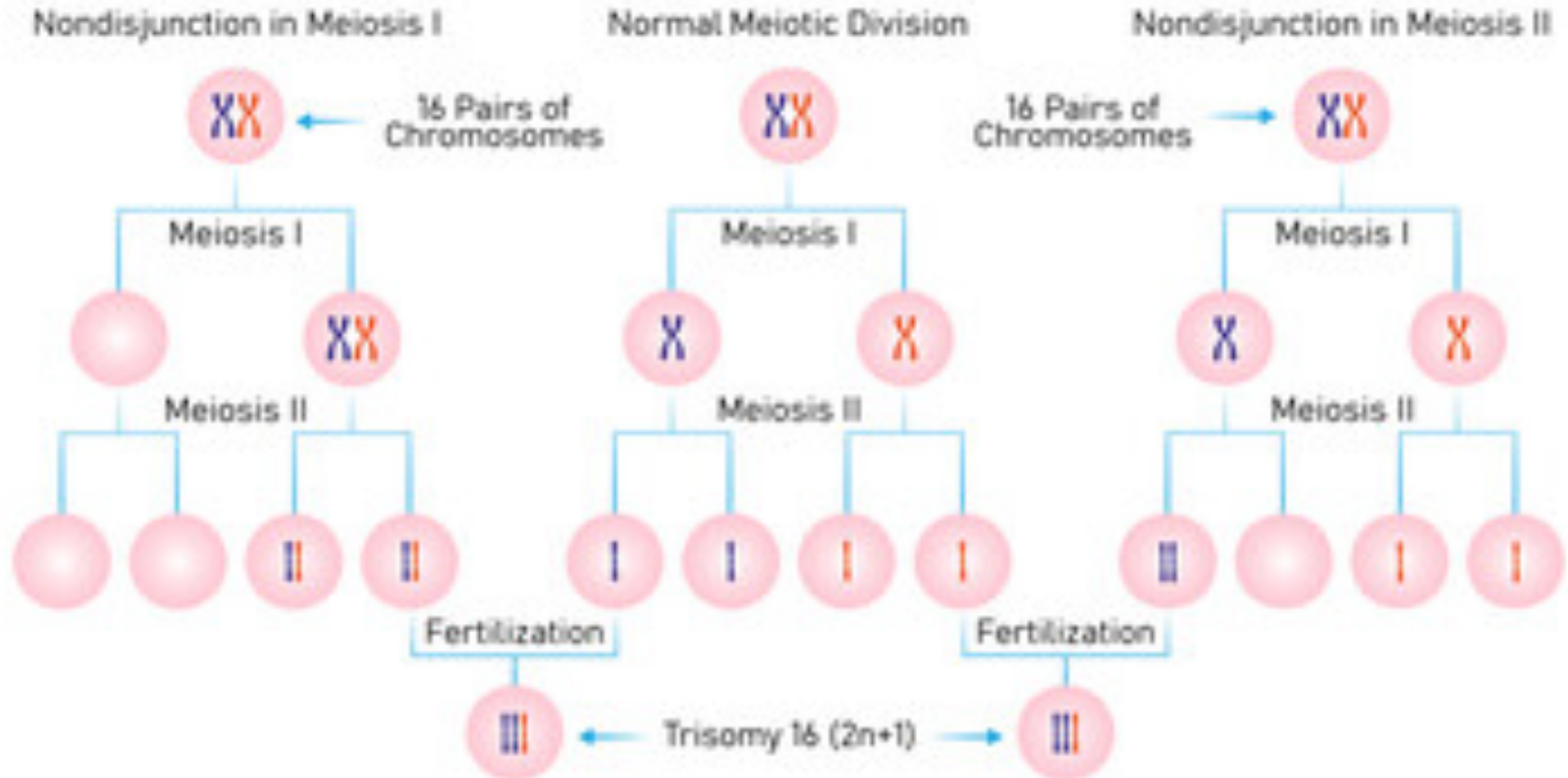
Unequal crossing over → duplications or deletions.

Cause breaks or rearrangements.

↑ nondisjunction risk (especially for chromosome 21 & X).

Causes of Chromosomal Abnormalities

Meiotic Nondisjunction in Trisomy 16



Types of Chromosomal Abnormalities

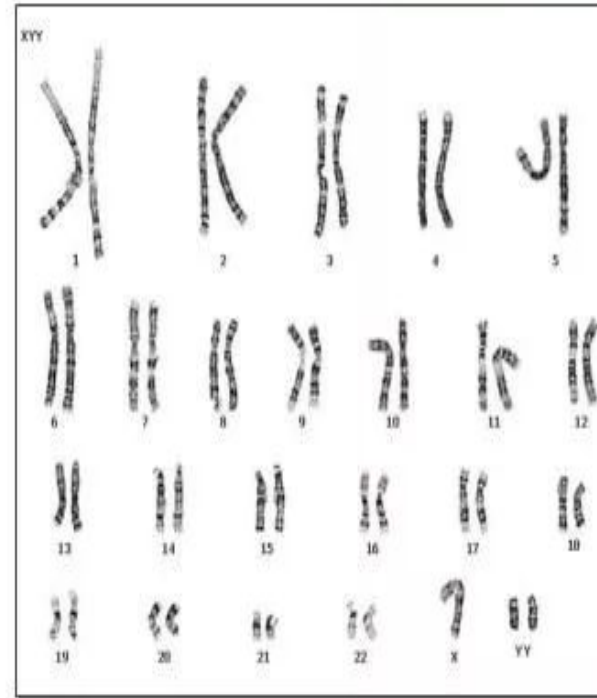
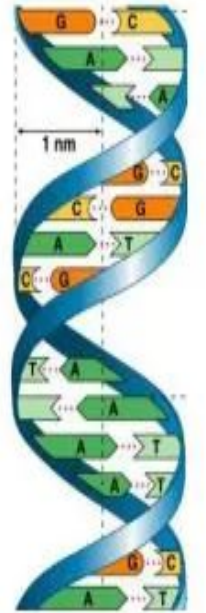
A. Numerical Abnormalities:

1. **Aneuploidy** (Trisomy / Monosomy)
2. **Polyploidy** (Triploidy / Tetraploidy)
3. **Mixoploidy** (Mosaicism)

B. Structural Abnormalities:

1. Deletion
2. Duplication
3. Inversion
4. Translocation
 - Robertsonian
 - Reciprocal
6. Ring Chromosomes
7. Isochromosomes
8. Derivative Chromosomes

Chromosomal Abnormalities in Humans



Numerical Chromosomal Syndromes with Cytogenetic Notation

- 1. Down Syndrome (Trisomy 21)

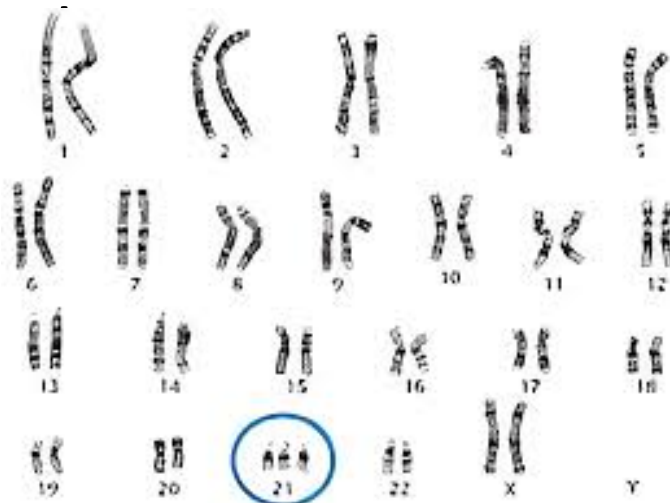
- Karyotype /

47, XX,+21 or 47, XY,+21

- Cause: Maternal nondisjunction (95%).

- Clinical Features

1. Intellectual disability
2. Up-slanting palpebral fissures
3. Congenital heart disease (AVSD)
4. Single

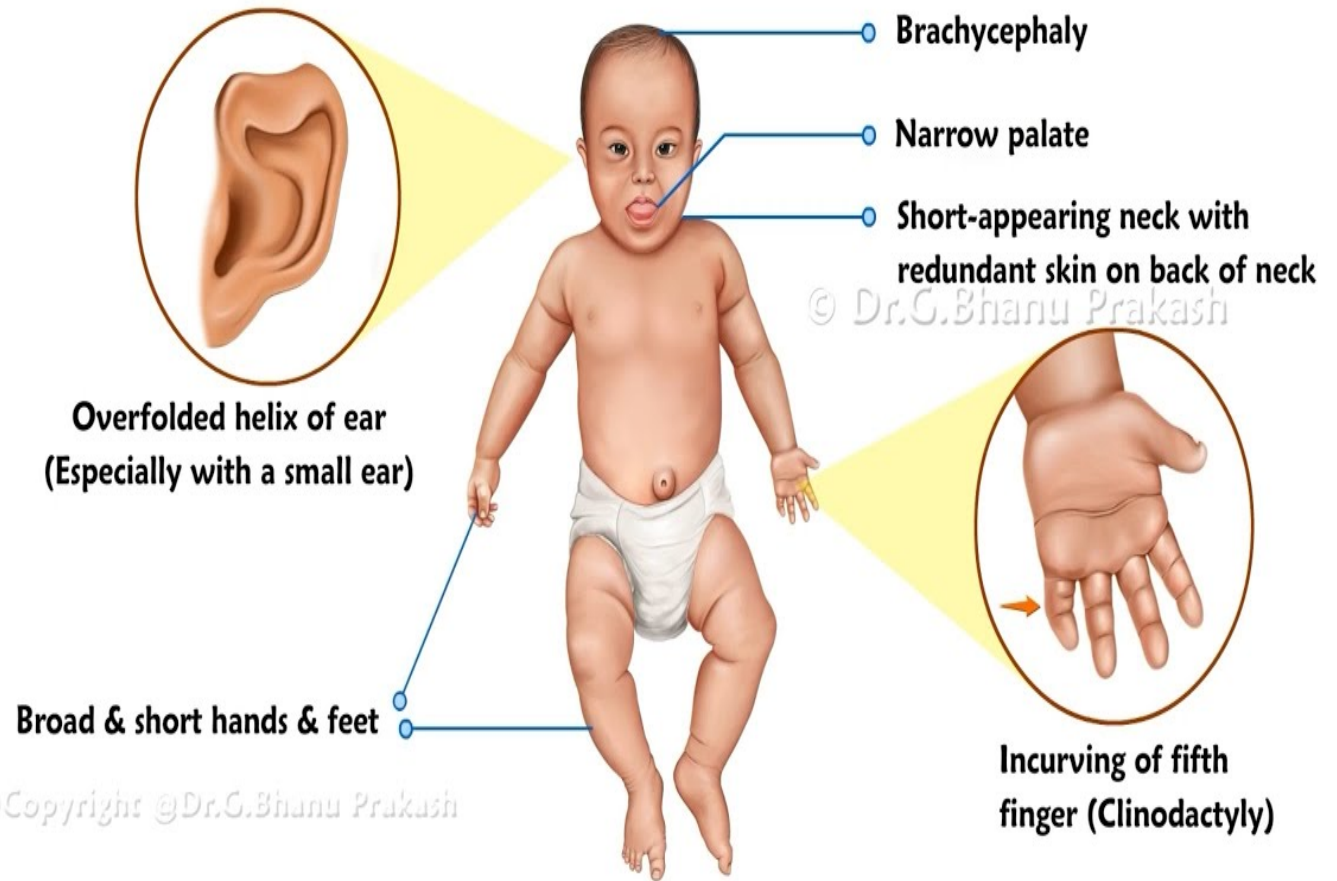


Trisomy 21 (Down syndrome)

Clinical manifestations

Unique & identifiable

► Facial abnormalities:



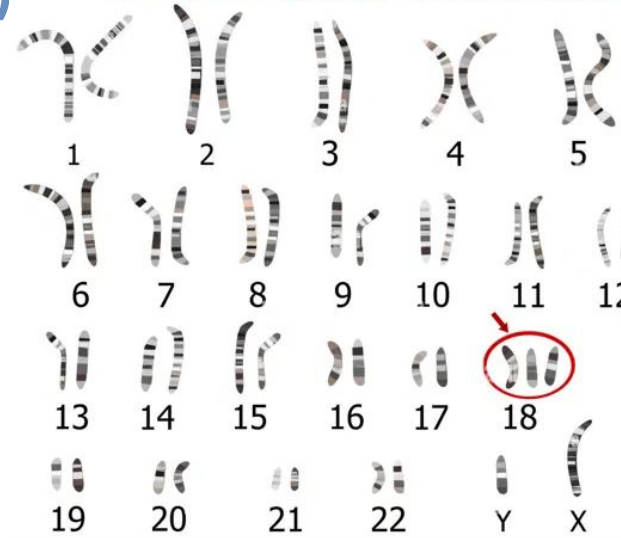
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Numerical Chromosomal Syndromes with Cytogenetic Notation

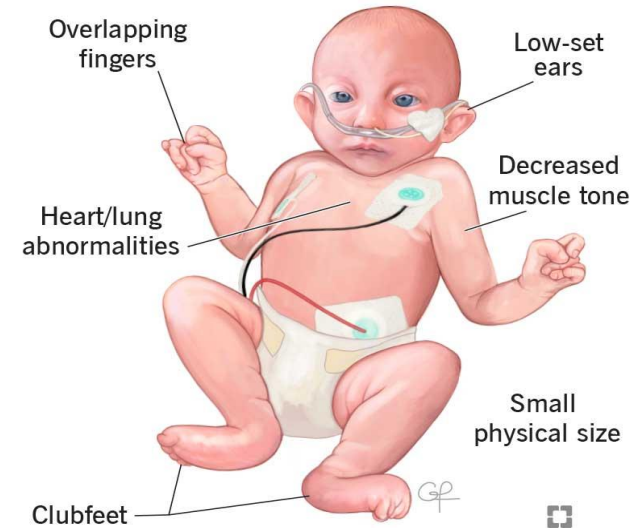
• 2. Edwards Syndrome (Trisomy 18)

- **Karyotype**
- **47, XX,+18 or 47, XY,+18**
- **Clinical**
- **Clenched fists**
- **Rocker-bottom feet**
- **Severe developmental delay**

Edwards syndrome karyotype



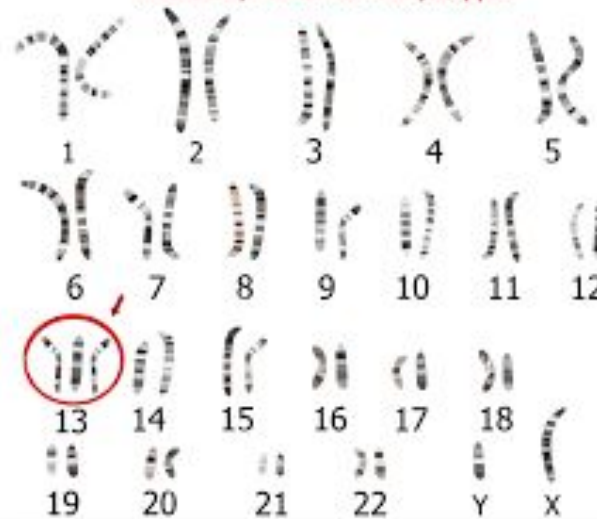
Trisomy 18
(Edward's Syndrome)



• 3. Patau Syndrome (Trisomy 13)

- **Karyotype**
- **47, XX,+13 or 47, XY,+13**
- **Clinical**
- **Midline defects**
- **Holoprosencephaly**
- **Polydactyly**

Patau syndrome karyotype



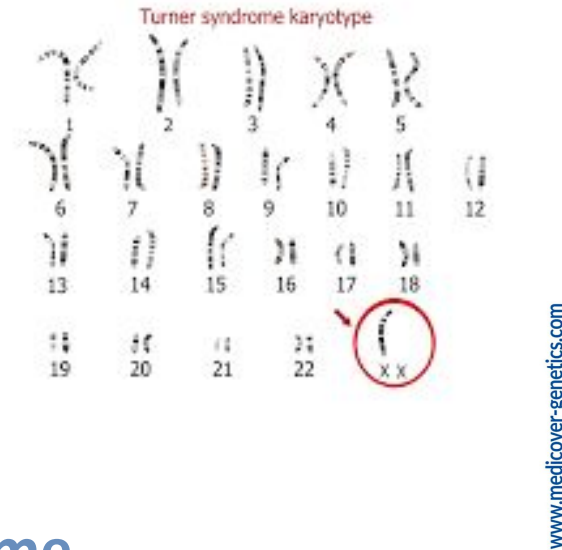
Trisomy 13



Numerical Chromosomal Syndromes with Cytogenetic Notation

• 4. Turner Syndrome (Monosomy X)

- **Karyotype** 45, X
- **Clinical**
- Short stature
- Streak ovaries
- Webbed neck
- Cardiac defects (CoA)



TURNER SYNDROME

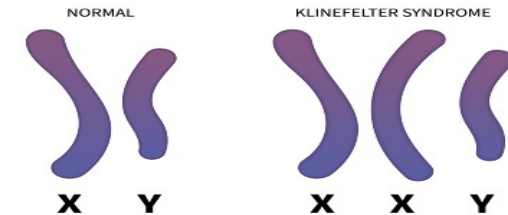
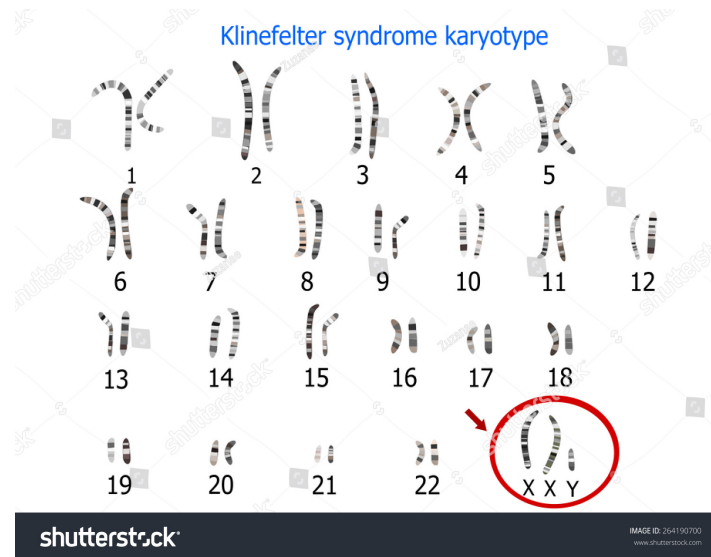


Main symptoms



• 5. Klinefelter Syndrome

- **Karyotype** 47, XXY
- **Clinical**
- Tall stature
- Gynecomastia
- Hypogonadism Infertility



Klinefelter Syndrome Common Symptoms

- Tall stature
- Disproportionately long arms/legs
- Small testes
- Low testosterone
- Enlarged male chest
- Sparse body hair
- Broad hips

Numerical Chromosomal Syndromes with Cytogenetic Notation

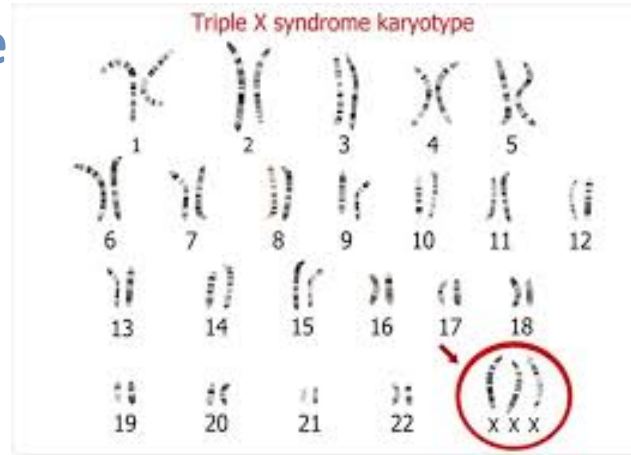
6. Triple X Syndrome

Karyotype

47, XXX

Mild phenotype

; often asymptomatic.



Symptoms & Signs of Triple X Syndrome



Delayed motor development



Low IQ



Delayed speech



ADHD



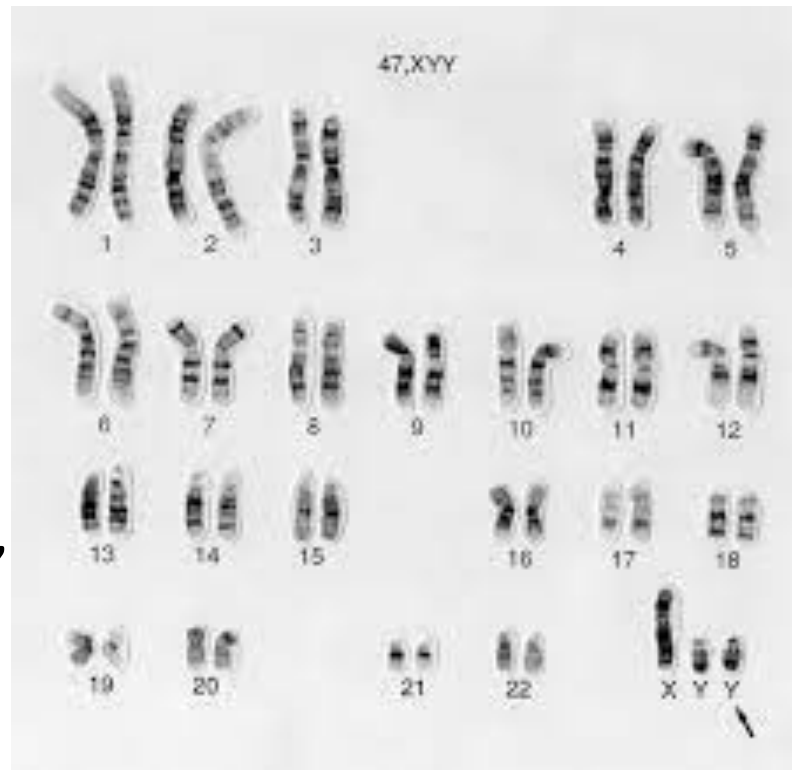
Abdominal pain
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7. XYY Syndrome

Karyotype

47, XYY

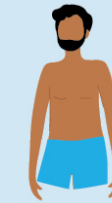
Tall male, mild learning difficulties, normal fertility.



Some features of 47,XYY syndrome may include:



Tall stature.



Low muscle tone.



Asthma.



Larger teeth.



Delays in speech and language.



Behavioral issues.

Summary Table

Syndrome	Cytogenetic Code	Type
Down	+21	Trisomy
Edwards	+18	Trisomy
Patau	+13	Trisomy
Turner	45,X	Monosomy
Klinefelter	47,XXY	Sex chromosome trisomy
Cri-du-chat	del(5p)	Structural deletion
Wolf-Hirschhorn	del(4p)	Structural
DiGeorge	del(22q11.2)	Microdeletion
Williams	del(7q11.23)	Microdeletion
PWS	del(15)(paternal)	Imprinting deletion
Angelman	del(15)(maternal)	Imprinting deletion

QUIZ

Q1/Case Study:

A newborn has: weak, cat-like cry, a small head, a round face, and feeding difficulty. Chromosomal analysis shows a deletion on the short arm of chromosome 5.

What is the name of this syndrome?

What is the expected ISCN notation?

Q2/Case Study:

A newborn boy presents with: cleft lip, extra fingers (polydactyly), very small eyes, and severe developmental problems. The karyotype shows an extra chromosome in the autosomes.

What is the name of this syndrome?

What is the expected ISCN notation?

Any questions?

*Thank
You*