6. Eye Colour

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The Problem:

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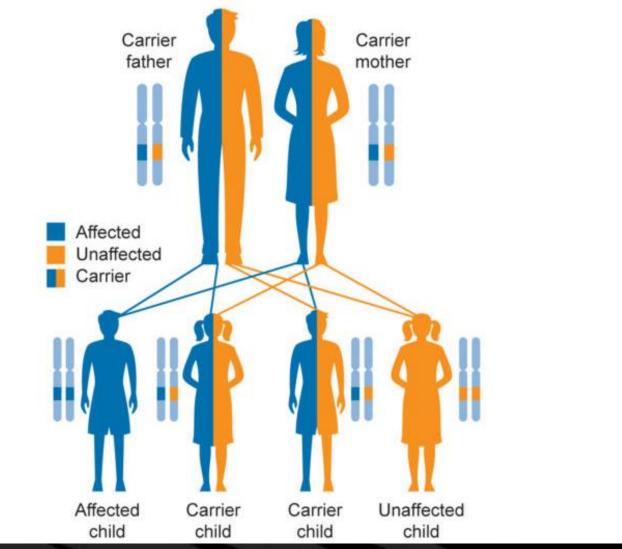
Definitions:

- Populations
- Ancestor
- Descendant
- Relative

Population:



Inheritance:



Ancestors, Descendants and Relatives:

Ancestor

Descendant

Descendant

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Descendant

All Relatives

- Origin of different eye colours
- Mendelian trait

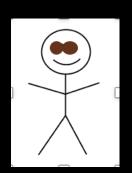
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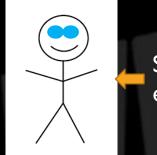
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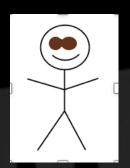
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Origin of different eye colours



Shows blue eye mutation

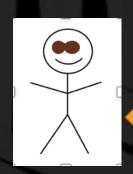




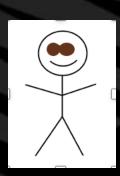
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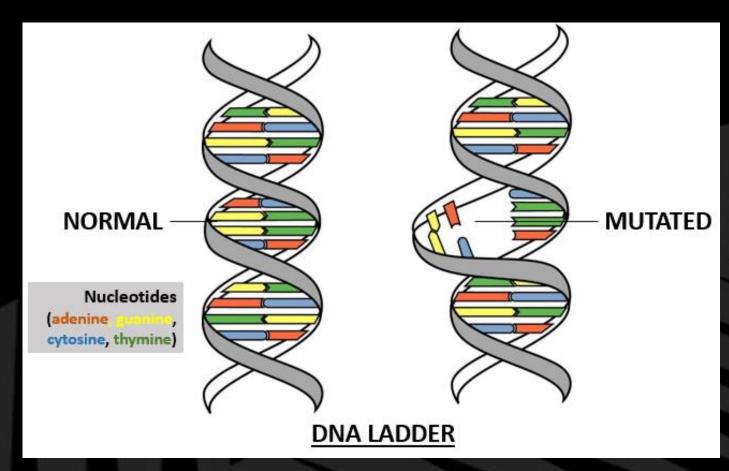


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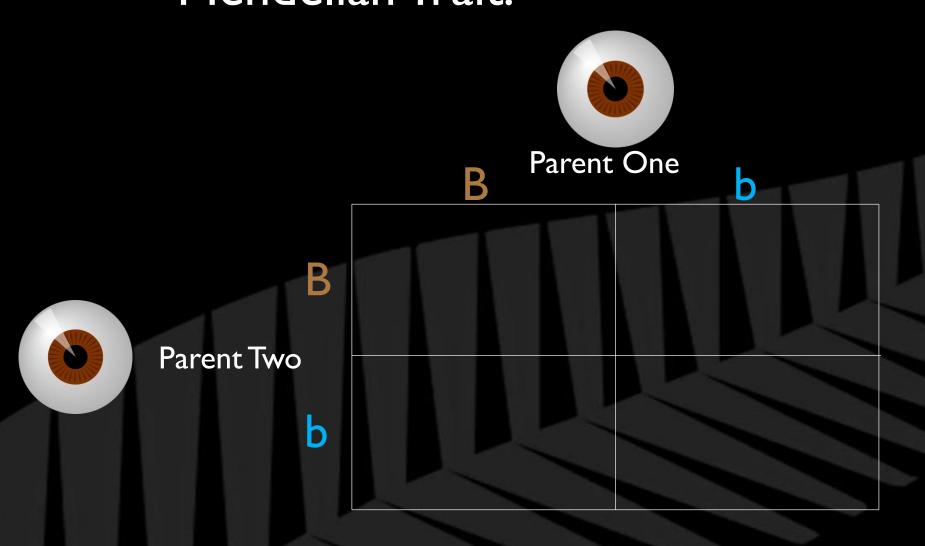
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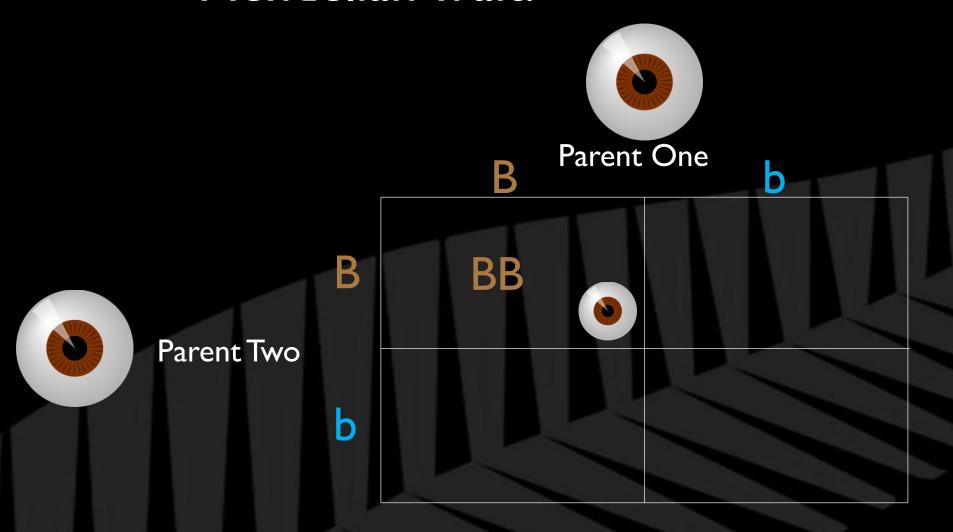


- B Brown eye allele
- b Blue eye allele
- BB Homozygous dominant
- Bb Heterozygous
- bb Homozygous recessive

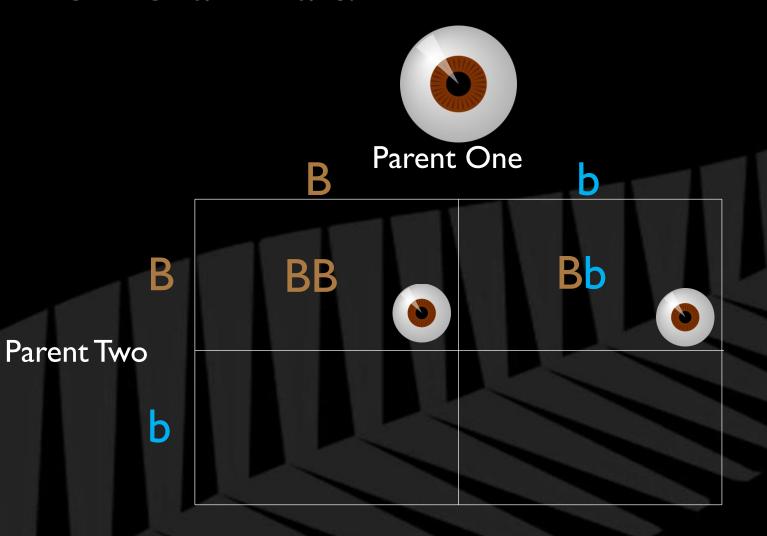


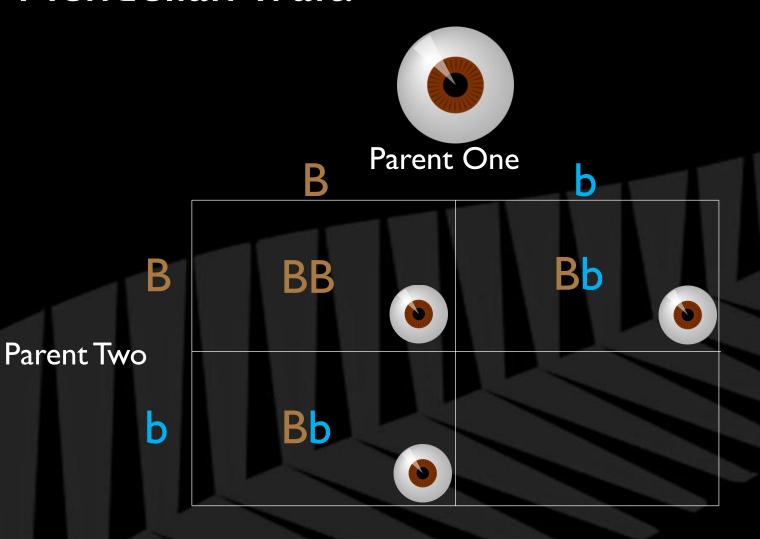


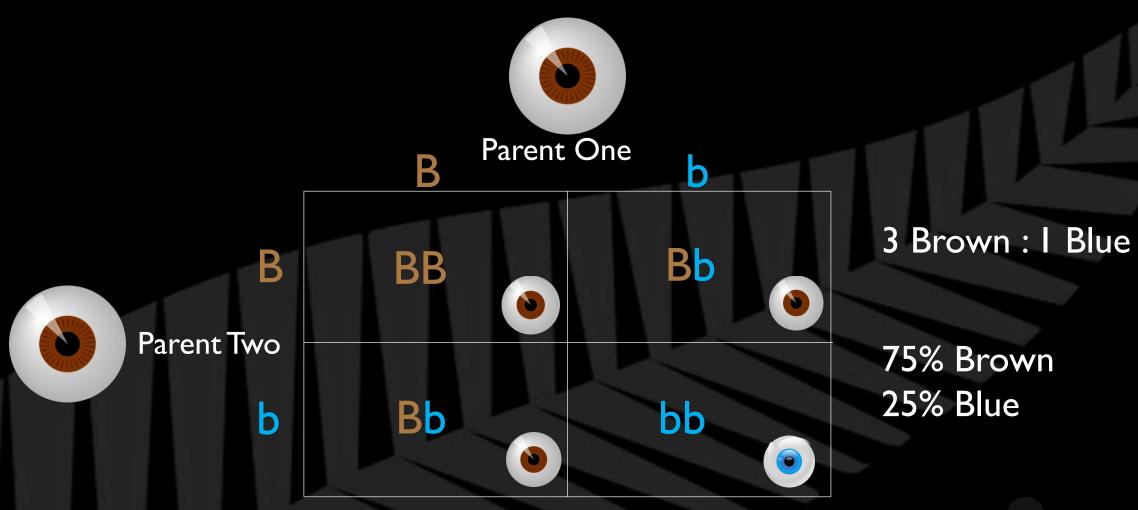


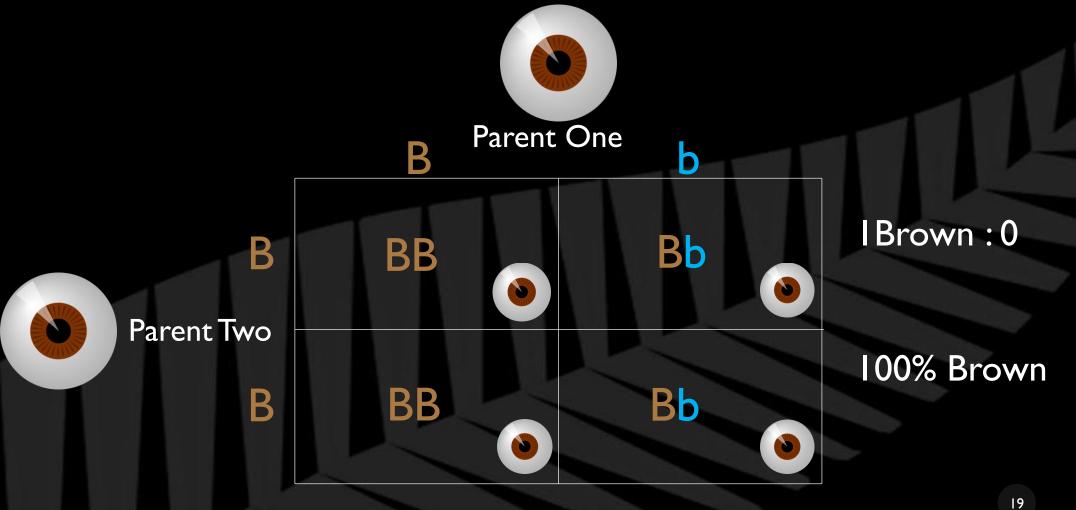


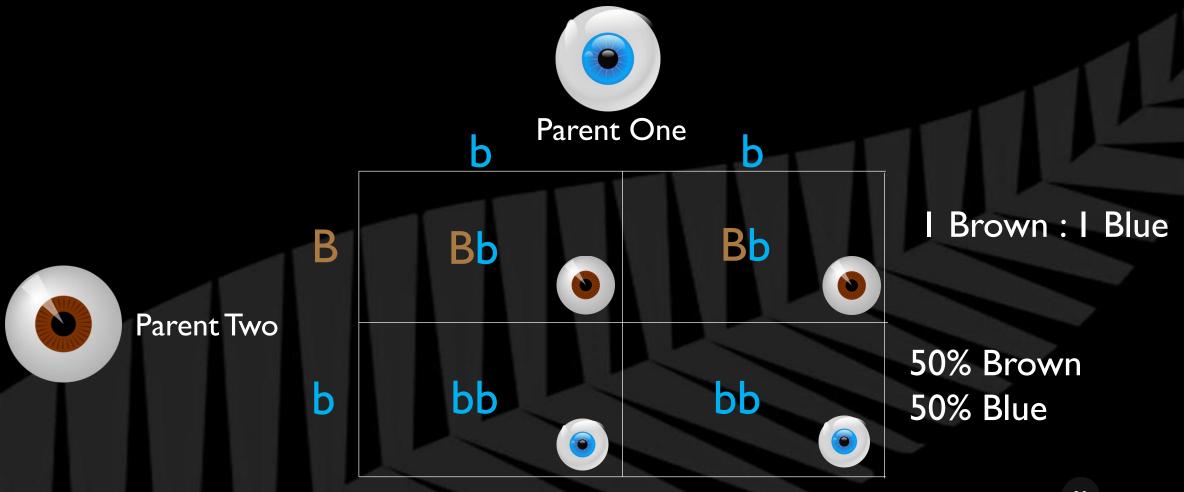




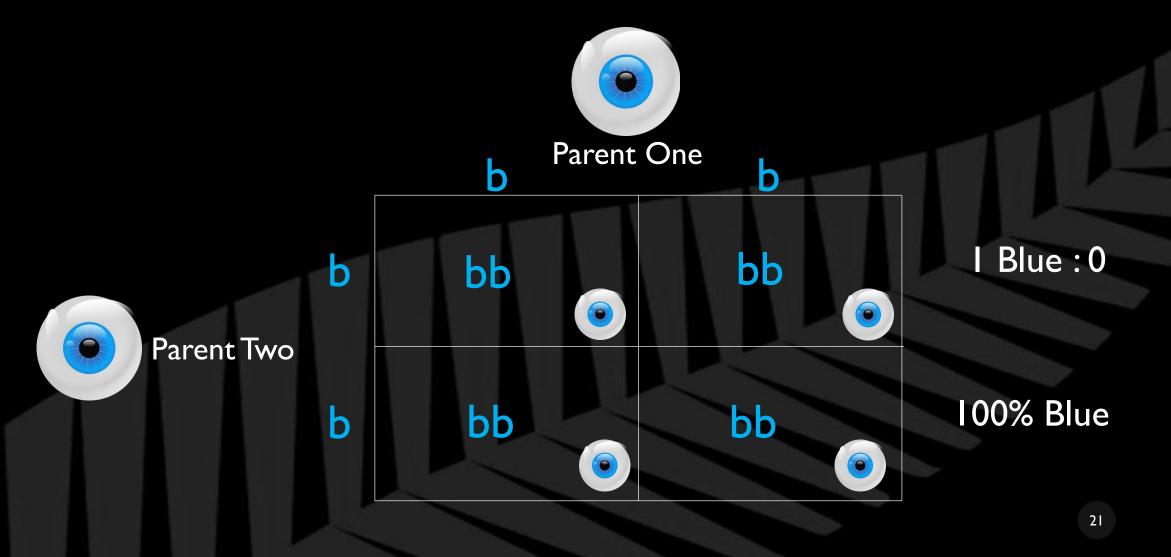


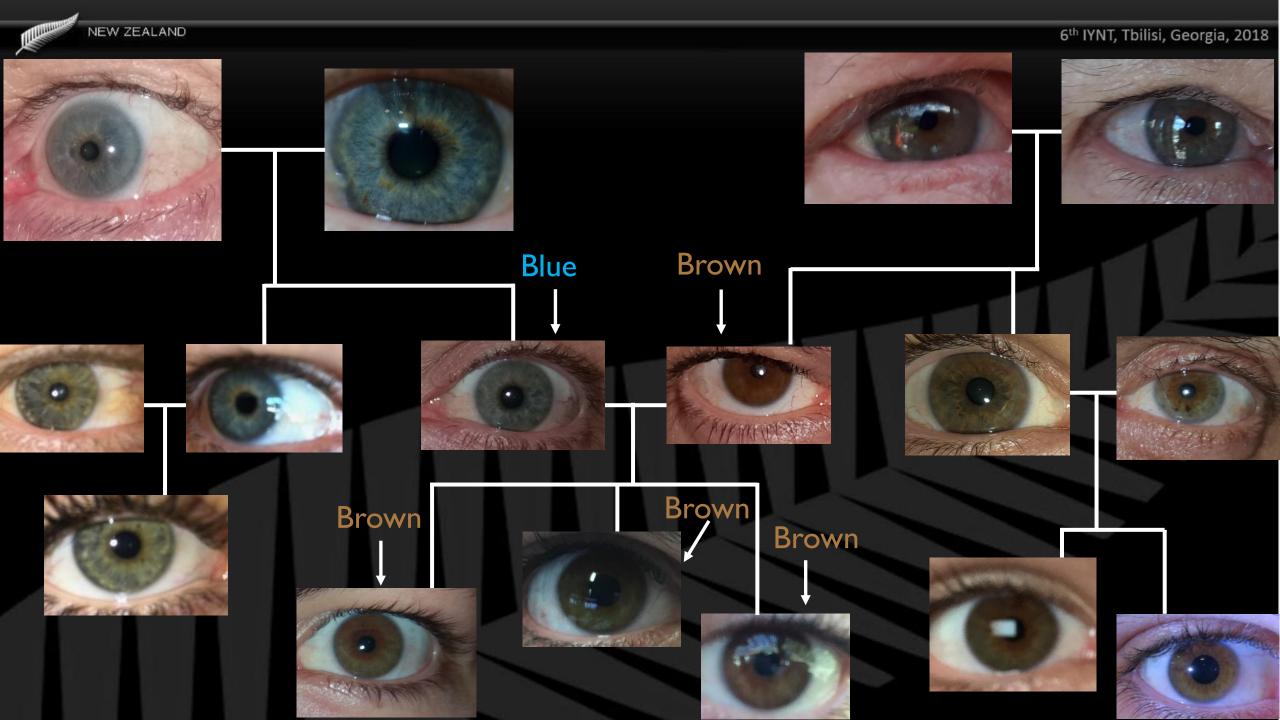












- Melanin
- OCA2 and HERC2
- Scattering of light

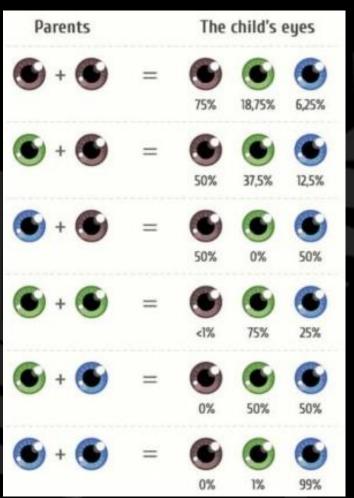


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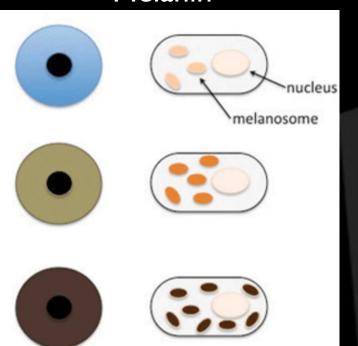


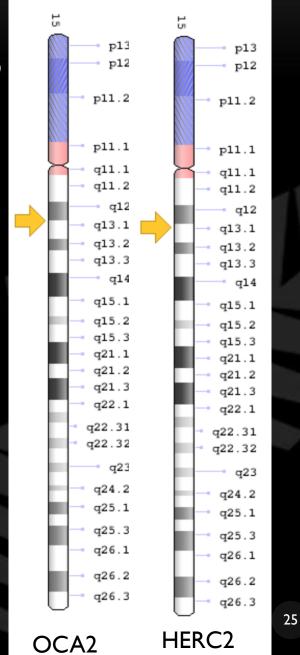


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OCA2 and HERC2



OCA2

Brown eye have up to 70% more melanin than other eye colours



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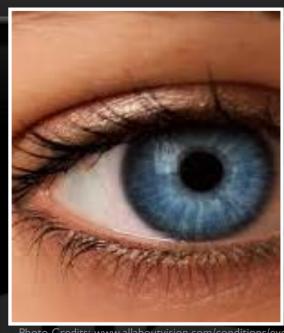


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• HERC2 SNPs

rs1800407	rs1408799		rs2733832	rs1003719	rs1003719	rs1847134	rs1393350	
GG	СС	СТ	TT	AG	AG	AC	GG	Greenish blue with darker blue ring on outside and yellowish green in the middle
GG	СТ	GG		GG	GG		GG	Hazel
СС	CC	GT	СТ	AA	AA	AA		
GG	СТ	СС	СТ	AG	AG	N/A	AA	Gray/green/blue with darker blue ring on outside and flecks of yellowish green in the middle.
CC	СС	N/A	TT	AA	AA	N/A	AG	Blue
GG	СТ		СТ	AG	AG		AA	Predominately blue, maybe blue-grey, with a very slight hazel tinge near iris aperature.
GG	СТ	GG	СТ	AG	AG	AA	GG	Grey outer ring, Yellow-green main color with blue-gray around the pupil
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GG	тт	GT	СС	GG	GG	AA	GG	Light blue-gray

Scattering of light

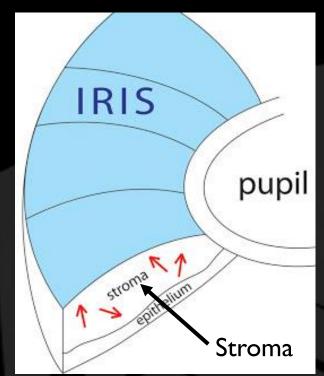


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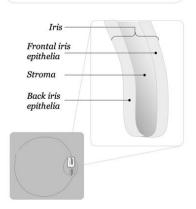


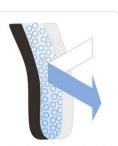


Brown eyes moderate melanin concentration in frontal iris epithelia



Grey eyes negligible melanin in frontal iris epithelia & coarse collagen structure in stroma causing Mie scattering





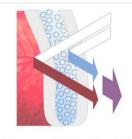
Blue eyes negligible melanin in frontal iris epithelia & fine collagen structure in stroma causing Rayleigh ('blue sky') scattering



Red eyes negligible melanin in frontal and back iris epithelia allows refraction of retina blood vessels (albinism)



Green eyes little melanin in frontal iris epithelia (=yellow) & fine collagen structure in stroma causing Rayleigh ('blue sky') scattering



Violet eyes negligible melanin in frontal and back iris epithelia allowing retina red & fine collagen structure in stroma causing Rayleigh ('blue sky') scattering

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Using SNP's To Look At Ancestry

What are SNP's

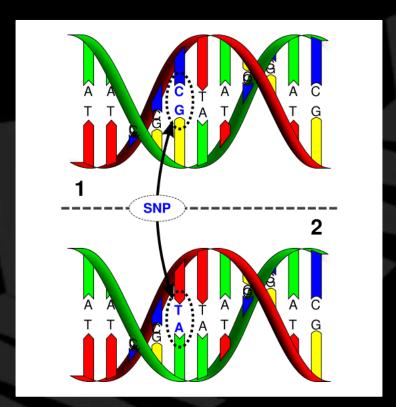


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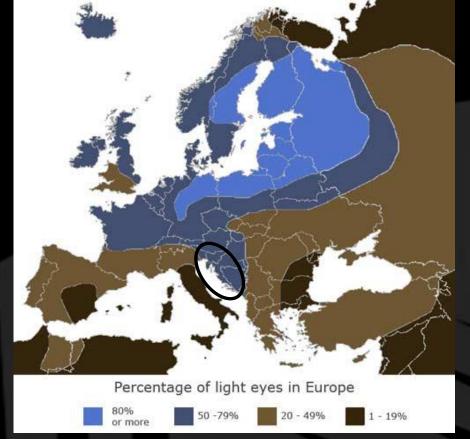
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Genetic markers

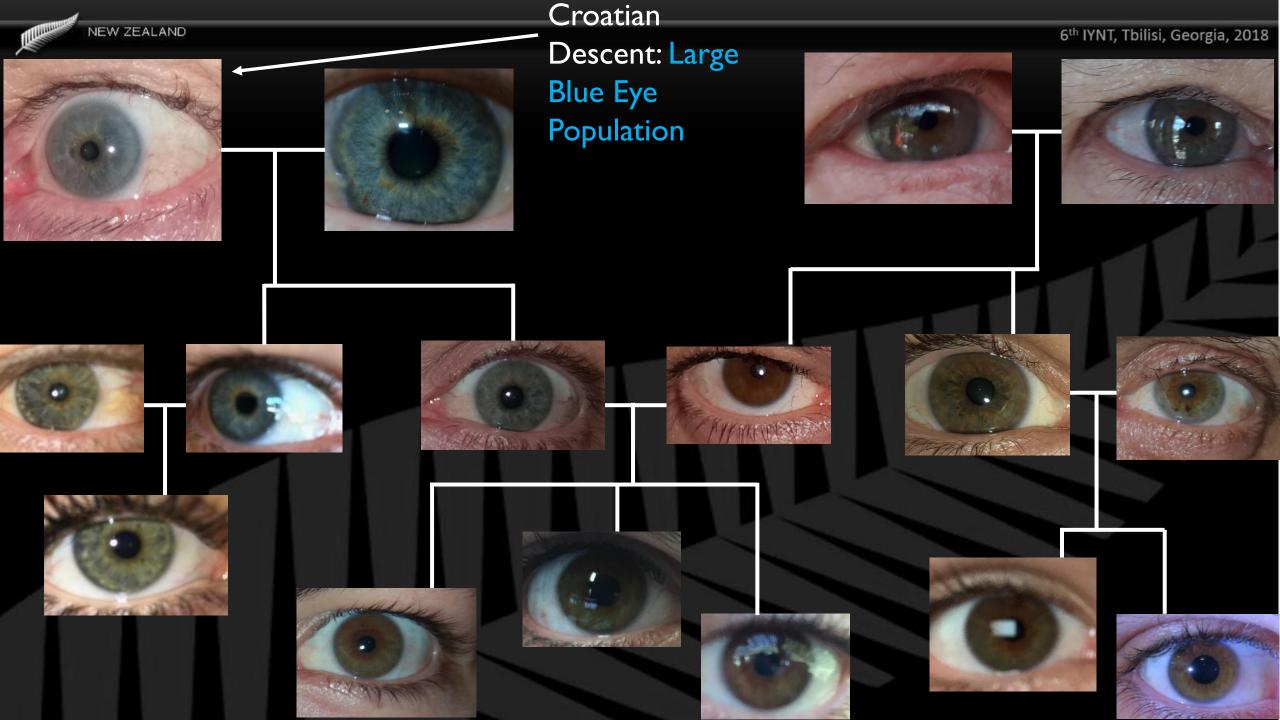
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Geographically Looking Where People Are From

Certain populations with same/majority of the same eye colour

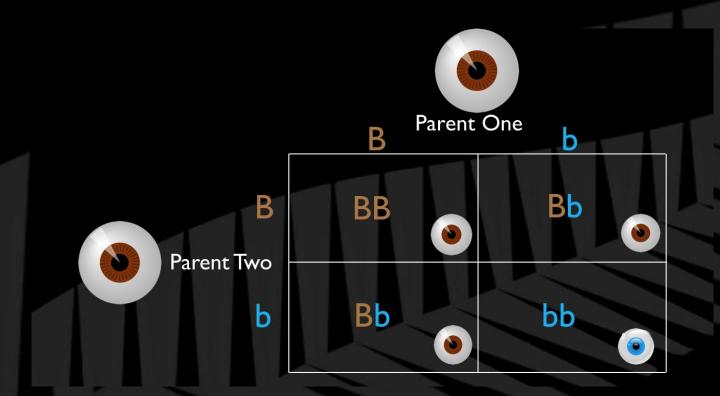


Country/Nation	Light Eyes	Blue Eyes	
1. Finland	89%	72%	
2. Sweden	88%	72%	
3. Norway	88%	72%	
• Sami	68%	50%	
4. Estonia	85%	69%	
5. Denmark	85%	69%	
6. Latvia	83%	66%	
7. Netherlands	76%	58%	
8. Germany	70%	53%	
9. Lithuania	78%	61%	
10. Scotland	80%	63%	
11. England	74%	55%	
12. Belarus	74%	55%	
13. Australia	73%	55%	
14. USA	69%	50%	
 Midwest 	72%	55%	
 West 	70%	50%	
 South 	71%	53%	
 Northeast 	61%	45%	
15. Ireland	82%	66%	



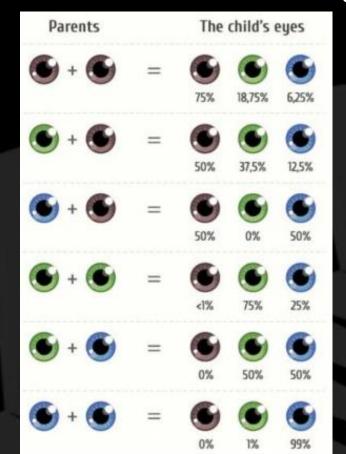
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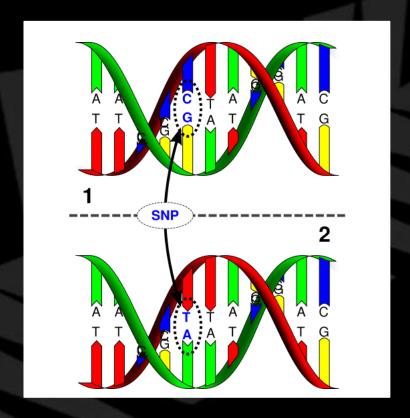
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