

# Gene therapy

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# Molecular Medicine and Gene Therapy

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# Here are some things you'll want to think about.

**If you want to develop a cure for a disease by gene therapy, here are some things to think about:**

- How will you reach the target cells and deliver the gene?
  - ex vivo vs. in vivo
- What proportion of target cells need to be altered?
- Does the gene need to be expressed constitutively, or regulated?
- Would there be serious consequences if the gene were overexpressed?
- How long will the DNA persist and be expressed?
- If you are planning to modulate gene expression, how will you do it (e.g. ribozymes, antisense, short interfering RNAs ! siRNA)?

# Some Diseases

**TABLE 1.1 Selected Inherited Disorders and Their Genetic Basis**

Classification	Nomenclature	Characterization	Frequency
Autosomal aneuploidies newborns	Trisomy 13	Karyotype: 47,XX or XY +13 (extra copy)	1 per 12,000
	Trisomy 18	Karyotype: 47 XX or XY +18 (extra copy)	1 per 6000 newborns
	Trisomy 21 Down's syndrome	Karyotype: 47,XX or XY +21 (extra copy)	1 per 800 newborns ↑ incidence with age
Sex chromosome aneuploidies	Klinefelter's syndrome	Karyotype: 47, XXY plus variants	1 per 700 newborns males
	Triple X female	Karyotype: 47,XXX	1 per 1000 newborns
	Turner's syndrome	Karyotype: 45,X; 45X/46XX or 45X/46XY	1 per 1500 newborn females
	XYY male	Karyotype: 47,XXY	1 per 800 newborns
Autosomal dominant	Aniridia, type I	Chromosome 2 defect	1 per 80,000
	Aniridia, type II	Chromosome 11 defect	1 per 80,000
	Polycystic kidney disease	Chromosome 16 linkage	1 per 1250
	Charcot-Marie- Tooth	Two forms type I and II	1 per 2800
	Familial polyposis coli and Gardner's syndrome	Chromosome 5; adenomatous polyposis coli (APC) gene	1 per 8000
	Huntington's disease	Linked to chromosome 4p	1 per 3000
	Intrahepatic cholestasis	Vanishing bile ducts	
	Alagille syndrome	<i>Jagged 1</i> gene—20p12	1 per 70,000
	Byler's disease	18q21	familial
	Marfan's syndrome	Chromosome 15: FBN1 gene	1 per 20,000
	Myotonic dystrophy	19q13.2-q13.3	1 per 8000
Neurofibromatosis	Chromosome 17: NF1	1 per 3000-5000	

**TABLE 1.1** (Continued)

Classification	Nomenclature	Characterization	Frequency
	Idiopathic	SPINK1-Chromosome 5 Missense mutation- N345	
Autosomal recessive	$\alpha_1$ -Antitrypsin deficiency	Chromosome 14 Multiple alleles based on phenotype M, S, Z, I	1 per 3500
	Cystic fibrosis	7q31–q32, CFTR gene Multiple alleles: $\Delta$ 508 $\uparrow$ Also R117H, R75Q, D1270N	1 per 2500 (Caucasians)
	Gaucher's disease Ashkenazic Jewish descent	N370S allele (nonneuropathic)	1 per 625
	Caucasian population	L444P allele neuropathic	
	Hemochromatosis	HFE gene C282Y and H63D mutations	1 per 300
	Thalassemia ( $\alpha$ )	Globulin gene complex on chromosome 16 Two alleles $\alpha$ -thal 1 $\alpha$ -thal 2	1 per 250–1000
	Thalassemia ( $\beta$ )	Chromosome 11 Two alleles $\beta$ (+) IVS-I $\beta$ (+) IVS-II	

## More common disorders

Disorder	Mutation	Chromosome
22q11.2 deletion syndrome	D	22q
Angelman syndrome	DCP	15
Canavan disease		17p
Celiac disease		
Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease		
Color blindness	P	X
Cri du chat	D	5
Cystic fibrosis	P	7q
Down syndrome	C	21
Duchenne muscular dystrophy	D	Xp
Haemochromatosis	P	6
Haemophilia	P	X
Klinefelter's syndrome	C	X
Neurofibromatosis		17q/22q/?
Phenylketonuria	P	12q
Polycystic kidney disease	P	16 (PKD1) or 4 (PKD2)
Prader-Willi syndrome	DC	15
Sickle-cell disease	P	11p
Tay-Sachs disease	P	15
Turner syndrome	C	X

**P** -

Point mutation, or any insertion/deletion entirely inside one gene

**D** -

Deletion of a gene or genes

**C** -

Whole chromosome extra, missing, or both - see chromosomal aberrations

**T** -

Trinucleotide repeat disorders - gene is extended in length



# Monogenetic Disorder

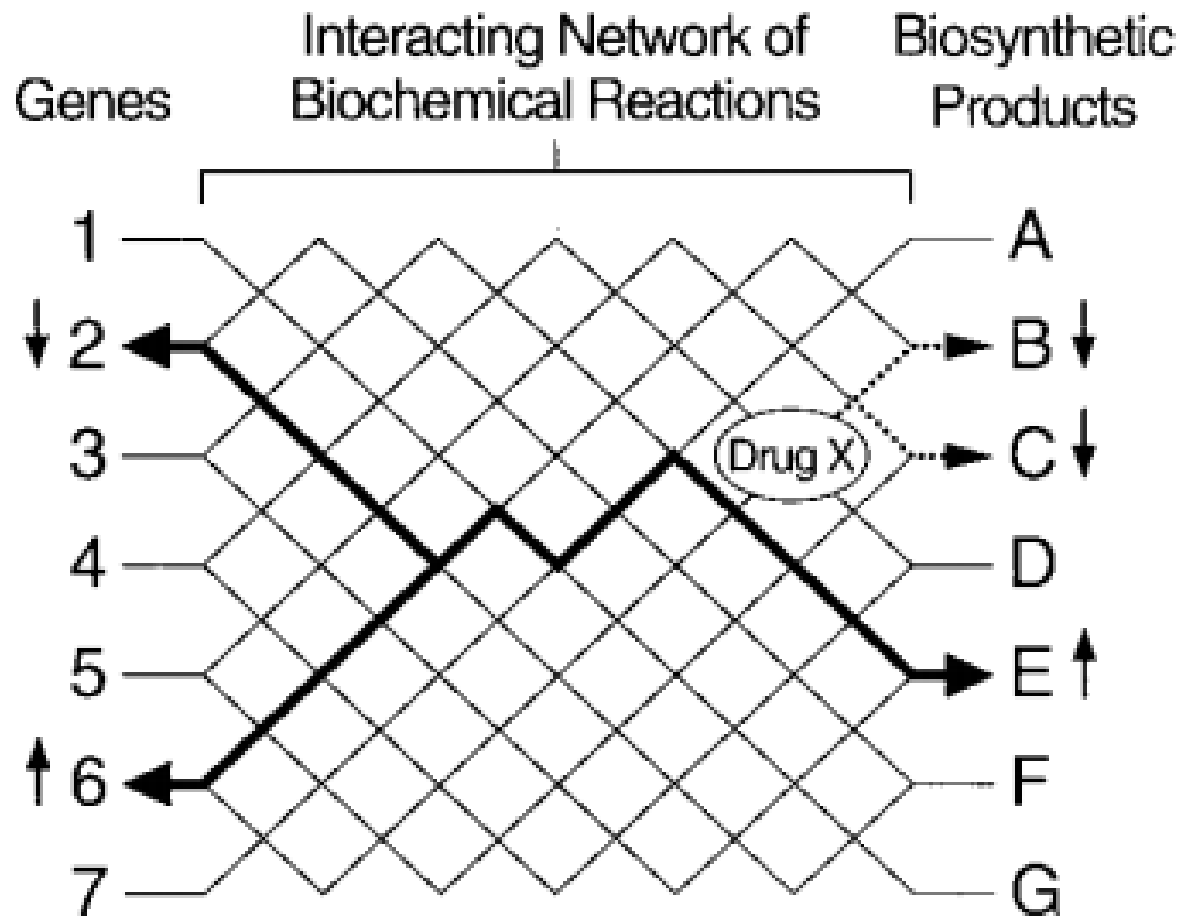
<b>(a) Single Gene Pathway</b>				
Genotype			Biosynthetic Product	Outcome (Phenotype)
1. Gene A	(+)	→	↑	Normal
2. Mutant Gene A	(-)	→/→	↓	Disease
3. Corrected Gene A	(+)	→	↑	Normal

<b>(b) Multi-Gene Pathway</b>				
Genotype			Biosynthetic Product	Outcome (Phenotype)
1. Gene A	(+)	→	↑	Normal
Gene B	(+)	→		
2. Mutant Gene A	(-)	→/→	↓	Disease
Gene B	(+)	→		
3. Corrected Gene A	(+)	→	↑	Normal
Gene B	(+)	→		
4. Mutant Gene A	(-)	→/→	↑	Normal
Over-expressed Gene B	(+)	→		

**FIGURE 1.1** Pathology can result from a single gene defect, as illustrated in (a). More often, multiple genes are involved. In the latter case, a variety of gene therapy options may exist, as depicted in (b).  
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**Schematic representation of a system in which genotype and phenotype are related by a complex network of interaction involving many proteins, RNA and reactants**



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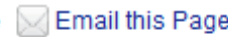
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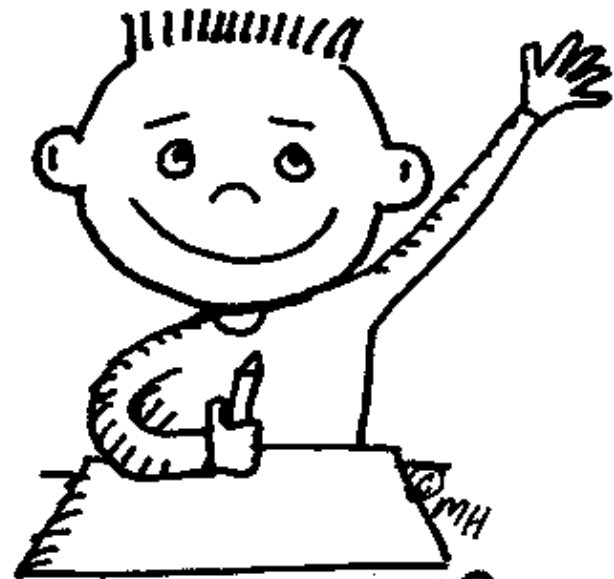
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