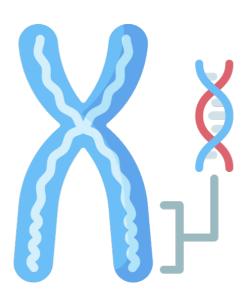


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Cytogenetics Laboratory

# **Cytogenetics Laboratory**

Cytogenetics laboratory aims to test samples of peripheral blood, bone marrow, tissue or amniotic fluid in a laboratory to look for numerical or structural abnormalities of the chromosomes. Changes in certain chromosomes may be a sign of a genetic disease or some types of cancer. Cytogenetics help to diagnose the disease, evaluate prognosis and monitor the effects of treatment and remission in patients.

# The Cytogenetics Laboratory testing include:

## **Chromosomal analysis (karyotyping):**

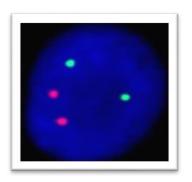
It is a test that evaluates the number and structure of chromosome, to diagnose genetic diseases, some birth defects, and certain disorders of the blood and lymphatic system.



Chromosomal analysis (karyotyping)

# Fluorescence in situ hybridization (FISH)

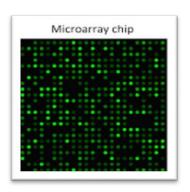
It is a test that enables detecting and locating a specific DNA sequence on a chromosome, using a probe that has a fluorescent molecule attached to it.



Fluorescence in situ hybridization (FISH)

# **Chromosomal Microarray**

A technique that can be used to detect and analyze clinically-significant microdeletions or duplications. Microarray uses a chip with tiny probes consisting of small pieces of DNA from known locations on each of the 46 chromosomes, looking for imbalances between the DNA from a control and the patient's DNA.

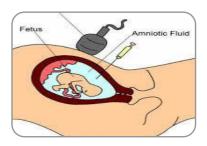


Chromosomal Microarray

#### **Prenatal**

- To provide a definitive diagnosis of fetuses who are at risk of chromosomal abnormality.
- Performed in second trimester (15-20 weeks).

- Previous pregnancy with chromosomal abnormalities.
- Family history of certain birth defects.
- · Advanced maternal age.
- Multiple abnormalities under ultrasound.



#### **Postnatal**

To study the chromosomes of babies, children or adults with symptoms that may indicate a chromosomal abnormality.

- Down syndrome, Edward syndrome, Patau syndrome.
- Klinefelter syndrome.
- Microdeletions syndromes.
- · Recurrent miscarriage.
- Ambiguous genitalia.
- · Amenorrhea.
- Infertility.



# **Hematologic Malignancy**

To identify acquired chromosomal abnormalities that leads to uncontrolled cells division in tissues or organs causing tumors.

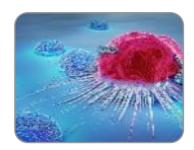
- Acute myeloid leukemia.
- Chronic myeloid leukemia.
- Acute lymphoblastic leukemia.
- · Chronic lymphoblastic leukemia.
- Myelodysplastic syndromes.
- Multiple myeloma.



# Oncology

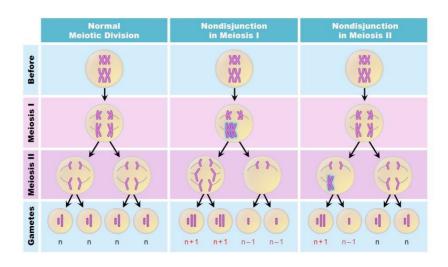
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- Breast cancer.
- · Glioma.
- Sarcoma



### **Sex Chromosome Abnormalities**

Humans are born with 46 chromosomes in 23 pairs. The X and Y chromosomes determine a person's sex. Normal female is 46, XX and normal male is 46, XY. Sex chromosome abnormalities are those caused by numerical or structural alteration in X and Y chromosomes due to an error at some point of the meiosis process during gametogenesis (egg and sperm formation) in the parents.



# When to suspect sex chromosome abnormality:

- XX Recurrent abortions.
- **KX** Abnormalities detected through ultrasound.
- KX Clinical findings in new born (Ambiguous Genitalia).
- KX Failure of puberty and 2° sexual development (Amenorrhea).
- XX Infertility.

## Most common abnormalities:

- Klinefelter syndrome 47, XXY
- XYY syndrome
- Triple X syndrome 47, XXX
- Turner syndrome 45, X

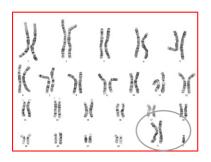
The main tests used to diagnose these syndromes are **Chromosome analysis** (**Karyotyping**) and **FISH analysis**.

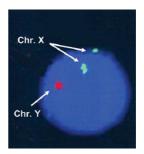
# Klinefelter syndrome 47, XXY

It is a genetic condition that affect males only, caused by a random error in cell division that causes an extra copy of the X chromosome. The additional copy of the X chromosome can occur as a result of either the mother's egg or the father's sperm having an extra X chromosome.

- Enlarged breast.
- Absence of facial hair.
- Longer legs.
- Poor muscles development.

#### Small testicles

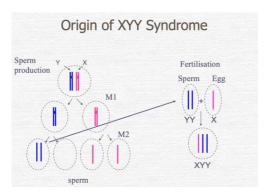


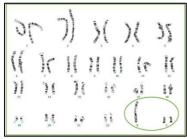


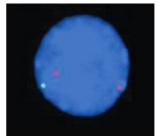
# 47, XYY syndrome

It is a rare chromosomal disorder that affects males only and caused by an extra copy of the Y chromosome due to a cell division error in the sperm.

- Most affected males typically have a normal physical appearance.
- Taller than average height.
- Learning disabilities.
- Behavioral problems.

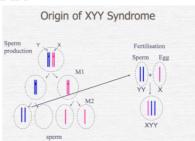






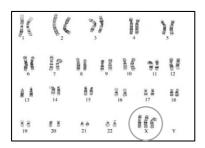
# Triple X syndrome 47, XXX

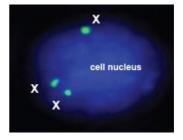
It is a genetic disorder that affects females only. Normally, a female has two X chromosomes,



one from her father and one from her mother. A female with triple X syndrome has three copies of X chromosome due to a random error in cell division.

- Most affected females typically have a normal physical appearance.
- Taller than average height.
- Learning disabilities.
- Behavioral problems.





## **Turner syndrome 45, X**

It is a genetic condition that affects only females, caused by the absence of all or part of the second X chromosome in some or all of the cells of the body due to a random error in cell division.

- Most affected females typically have a normal physical appearance.
- Short stature.
- Shield like chest.
- Webbed neck.

