



# Genomic DNA Extraction



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# Part I

## Introduction

# Extraction of DNA



- **DNA Extraction:** is a process of isolation and purification of DNA from a sample using a combination of physical and chemical methods
- Routine procedure widely used in:
  1. Molecular biology labs (scientific research labs) for example to study a gene involved in a cancer



# Extraction of DNA



2. Genetic testing is used to diagnose or rule out suspected genetic or inherited diseases. Also to identify disease carriers or to predict those at high risk for specific conditions



3. Forensic analyses to gather evidences from the crime scene that can be used in the court



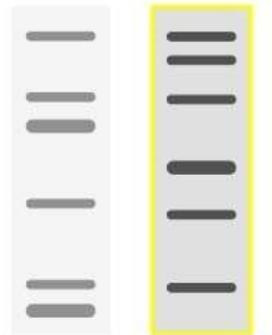
# DNA Fingerprinting



- DNA fingerprinting (DNA profiling or typing): is a technique to identify individuals by features of their DNA
- 99% of Human DNA sequences are identical in every person. Only 1% of our DNA sequences that make us unique
- DNA profiles: are small set of DNA variations that are very likely to be different in all unrelated individuals **(except identical twins)**
- DNA fingerprinting is used in criminal investigations and paternity or parentage testing



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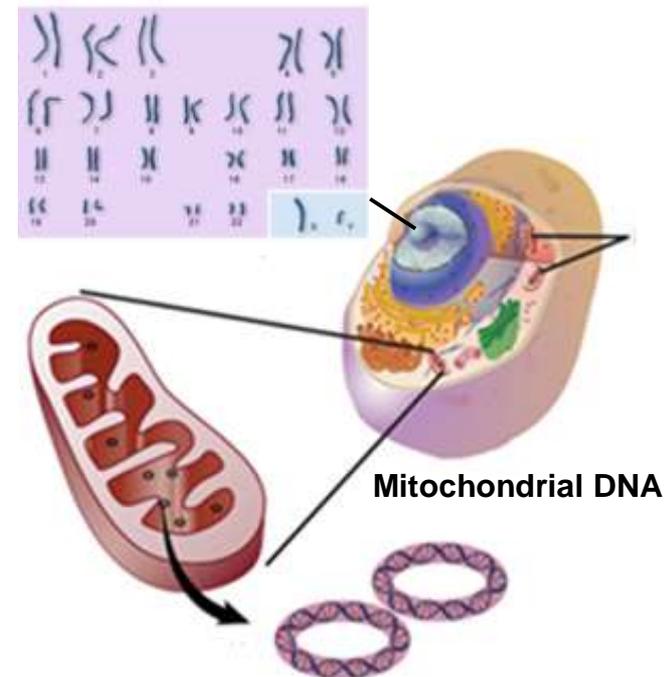
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# Types of DNA



- We need cells to isolate DNA. In eukaryotes like human (*Homo sapiens*), **genomic DNA** is found inside the nucleus of every cell (exceptions like the anucleated **RBCs** ). Also, DNA is found within mitochondria (**mitochondrial DNA**), the energy producing organelles
- Mitochondrial DNA is 16Kbp small circular dsDNA (2-10 copies) codes for 37 genes (inherited from mother)
- Genomic DNA contains genetic data of organism with size of 300 million bp and codes for 25,000 genes arranged on 23 chromosomes (haploid cell, gametes/sex cells)

Chromosomal DNA



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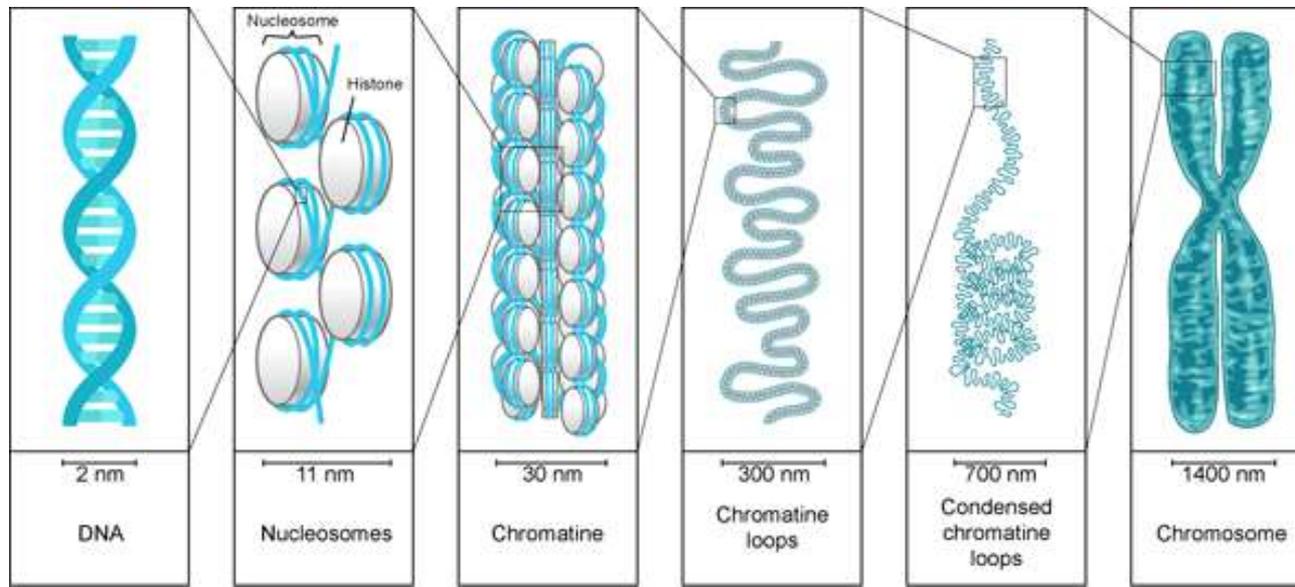


- Somatic cell (diploid) consists of 23 pairs of chromosomes (46 chromosomes) code for different 25,000 genes (duplicate, one copy from each parent) with total size of 600 million bp
- Genomic DNA is inherited from both parents (half from the mother and half from the father)
- In diploid cell, if DNA is laid out end to end, the total length will be approximately 2 meters
- We have enough DNA to make 70 round trips from earth to sun
- Human genome project (1990-2003)

# DNA Packaging



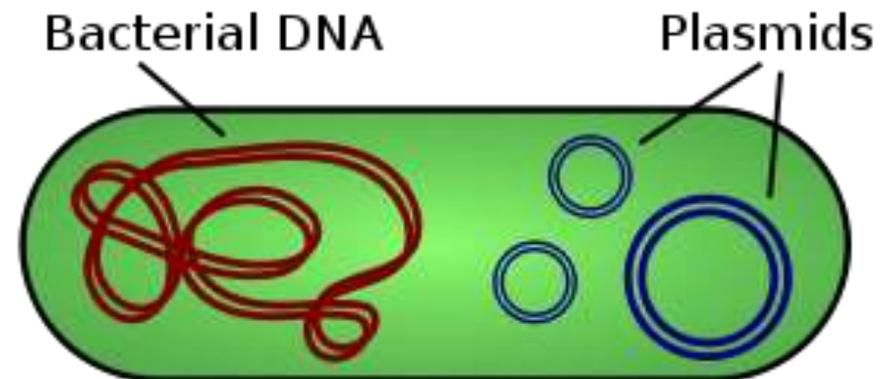
- DNA is arranged into three different levels of organization:
  1. Nucleosome: DNA is wrapped around histone proteins (octamer)
  2. Chromatin fibers: nucleosomes coil and form loops
  3. Chromosomes: chromatin fiber is further condensed



# Bacterial DNA



- In prokaryotes like bacterial cells, there are a single circular chromosome (bacterial DNA) found in the cytoplasm (with size of 5 million bp)
- Extrachromosomal DNA called plasmid also found in the cytoplasm:
  1. Small circular dsDNA (e.g. A.B resistance genes)
  2. Replicate independently of chromosomal DNA
  3. Hundred of copies of single plasmid
  4. Synthetically modified plasmids are used as vectors



# DNA Extraction Kits



- Obtaining high quality (***purity***) and quantity (***concentration/amount***) of ***intact DNA (not degraded)*** is often the first and most critical step in many fundamental molecular biology applications, such as DNA cloning, sequencing, PCR and electrophoresis
- Different kinds of kits are available from different companies: Qiagen, Invitrogen, Promega and Bio Basic Inc.

# DNA Extraction Kits



# DNA Isolation from Various Samples

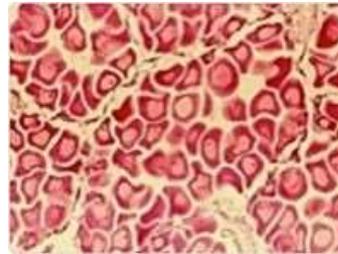


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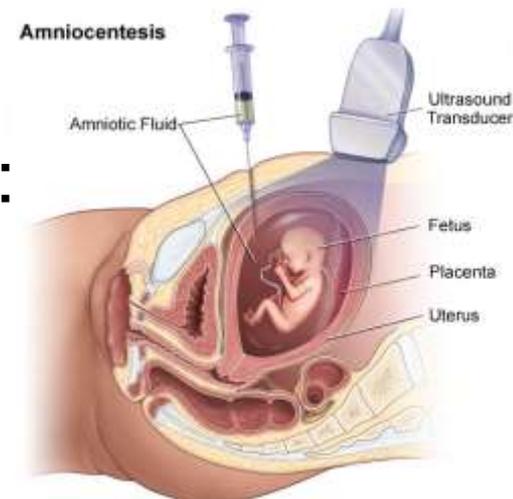


**Buccal swab**

# Human Samples



- Genomic material can be extracted from different human samples like cells or tissues (extraction from the liver tissue is easier than spleen or brain tissues depending on the biochemical nature of that tissue)
- Buccal swab (cheek cells) is the most convenient and easiest way (non-invasive) because squamous epithelial cells divide every 24 hours
- Fetal sample (screening/diagnostic): cells of the placenta (in late first trimester) or from amniotic fluid (in second trimester)



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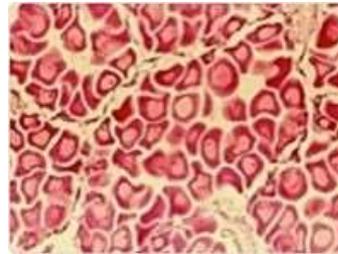


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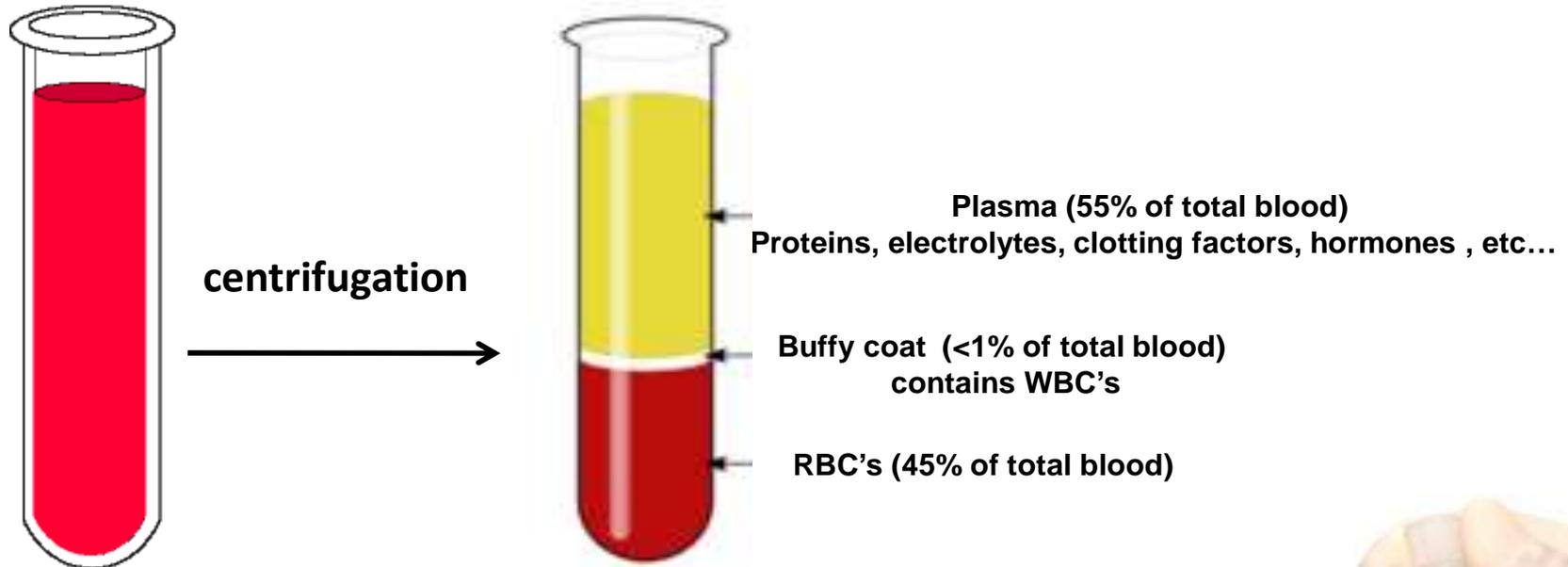
**Preimplantation genetic diagnosis (PGD)**

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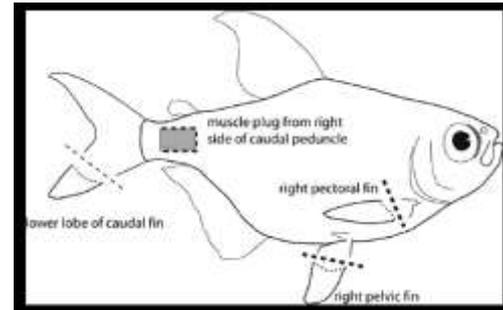
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- Nowadays, there are kits available for extraction of DNA from whole blood sample

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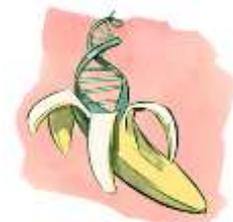
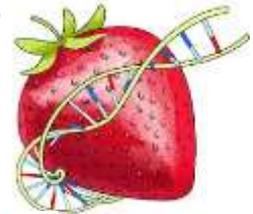
## 2. Animal cells/tissues (e.g. zebrafish fins)

- Genotyping for fishes



## 2. Plant material (e.g. banana and strawberry)

- Plant cell wall
- High levels of polysaccharides and polyphenols present in plant tissue so negatively affects the quality of extracted DNA and may inhibit downstream reactions



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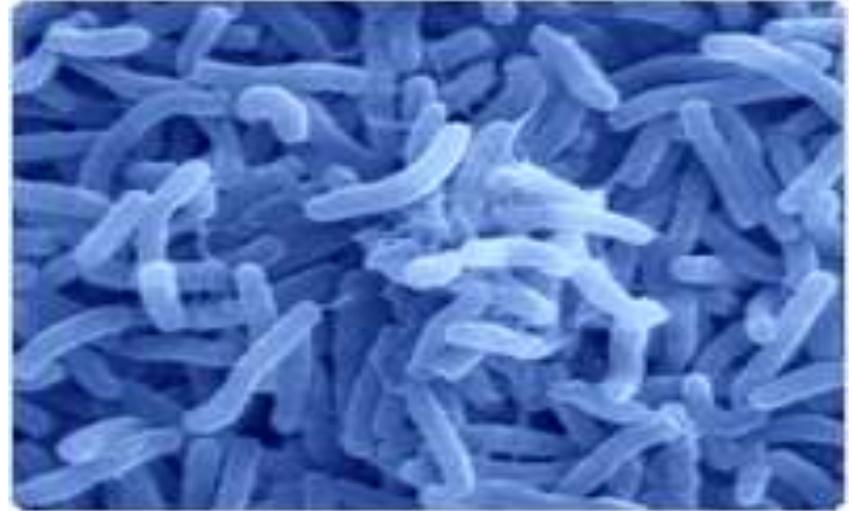


## 4. Viral and Bacterial cells

- Nasal swab like COVID-19
- Oral swab (throat)
- Blood sample (serum)
- Stool sample



**Viral cells**



**Bacterial cells**

# DNA Isolation from Various Samples



## 5. Plasmid DNA (containing the gene of interest)

- After transformation of bacterial cells (competent cells), the amplified plasmid is extracted using different types of kits

- Miniprep (50-100  $\mu\text{g}$ ) kits
- Midiprep (100-350  $\mu\text{g}$ ) kits
- Maxiprep (500-850  $\mu\text{g}$ ) kits
- The purified plasmid is stored as stock at  $-20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

