

## **HNF1B** genetics

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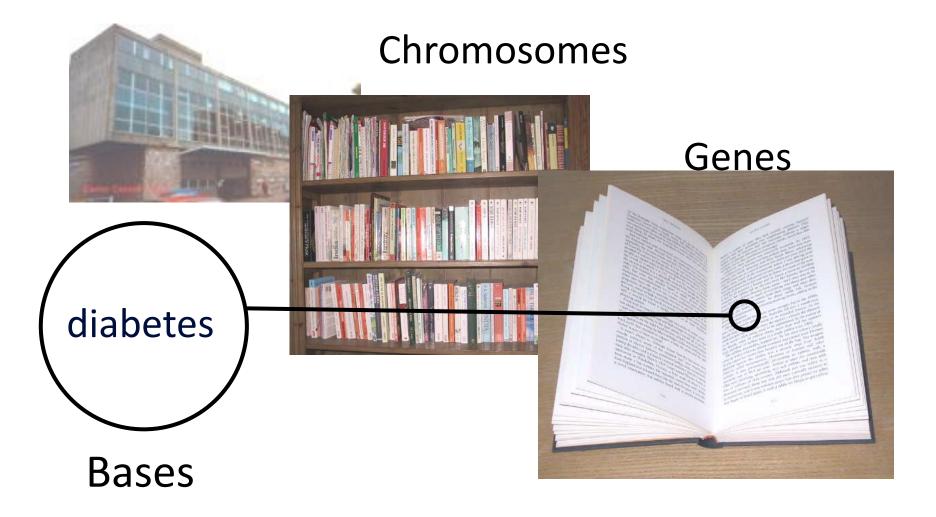
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#### Human Genome

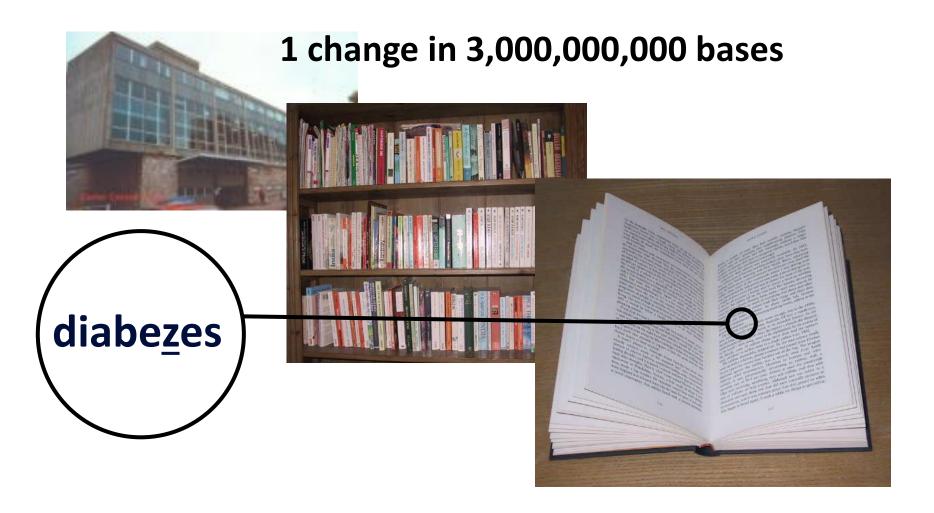
3,000,0000,000 bases Each bases A, C, G or T

As much information in a single cell of the human body as there are letters in a library

#### The human genome: the human library



HNF1B disease can result from a variant or mutation –a single misspelt word in the library



OR HNF1B disease can result from 17q12 deletion where 1 copy of 15 books removed from one bit of one bookshelfthis includes the HNF1B book



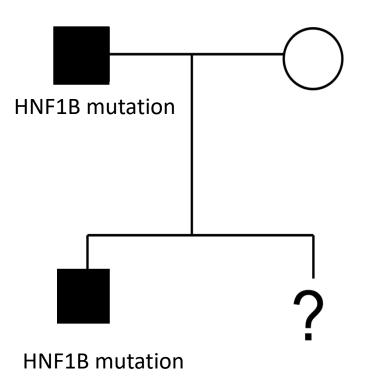
For every gene (book) you have 2 copies and only 1 of the 2 copies of HNF1B is misspelt or absent

The deletion or faulty copy of HNF1B may be inherited from an affected parent OR in about half of cases it may be a new problem (de novo) when neither parent is affected For every gene (book) you have 2 copies and only 1 of the 2 copies of HNF1B is misspelt or absent

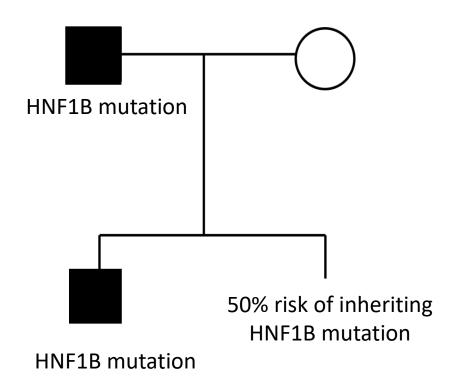
When a person with HNF1B has a child they pass on one copy of each gene to their children

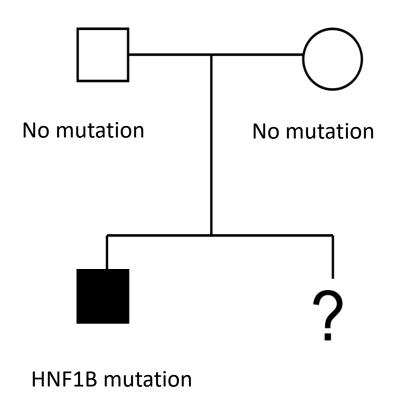
1 in 2 chance that a child will get the HNF1B disease causing version of the gene

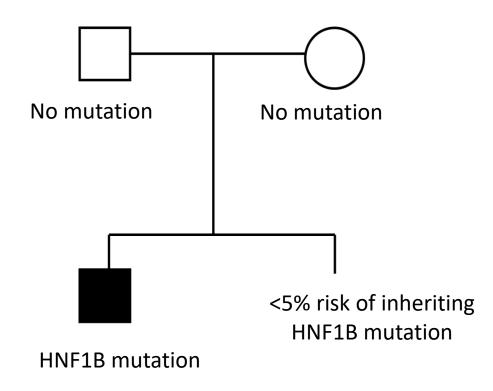
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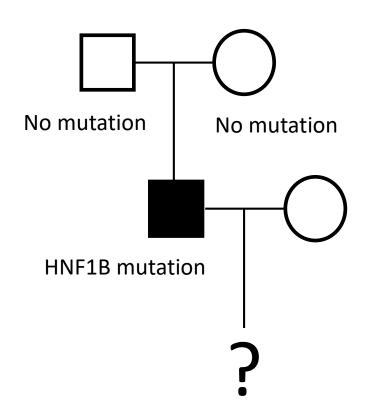


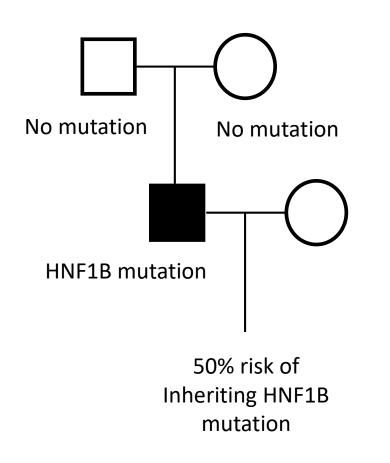
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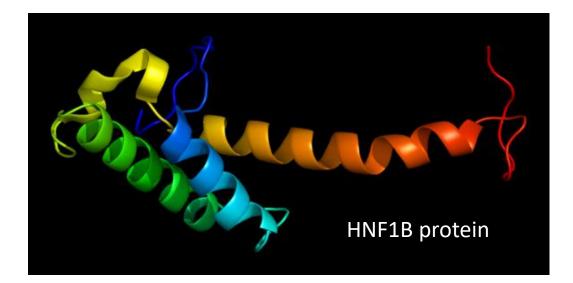






#### HNF1B (Hepatocyte Nuclear Factor 1 Beta)

- What is it?
- What does it do?



#### HNF1B: A transcription factor

 Transcription factors switch genes on or off (genetic "traffic lights")





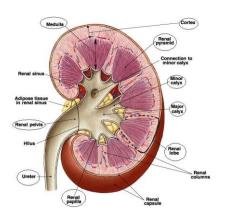
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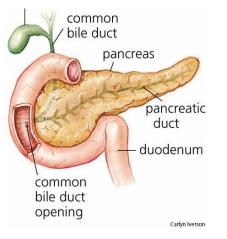
 Transcription factors are key for development of the human body and all its parts

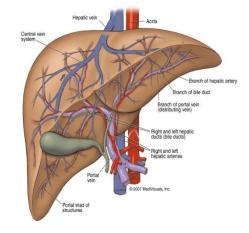




#### HNF1B is important in the making many parts of the body



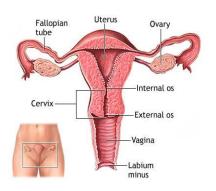




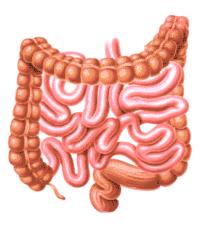
Kidney

Pancreas

Liver



Female genital tract



Gut

# The effect of HNF1B on early development is variable

 This explain why even within a family with the same genetic variant the organs involved and the severity of their involvement can be very different





#### The Genetics of HNF1B disease

Either a spelling mistake in the gene (mutation or variant) OR a loss of one copy of the whole gene (deletion)

50% of offspring (on average) will be affected

HNF1B is a gene that controls other genes especially genes involved in early development especially in kidney & pancreas