

# Principles of Genetic Testing (DMD)

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# Duchenne / Becker Muscular Dystrophy

- Highly elevated CK in young children
- X-linked – Dystrophin Gene
  - 2.4Mb - 79 Exons
- Females are carriers, Boys are affected
- Vast mutation spectrum

## DMD/ BMD

### ➤ Mutations

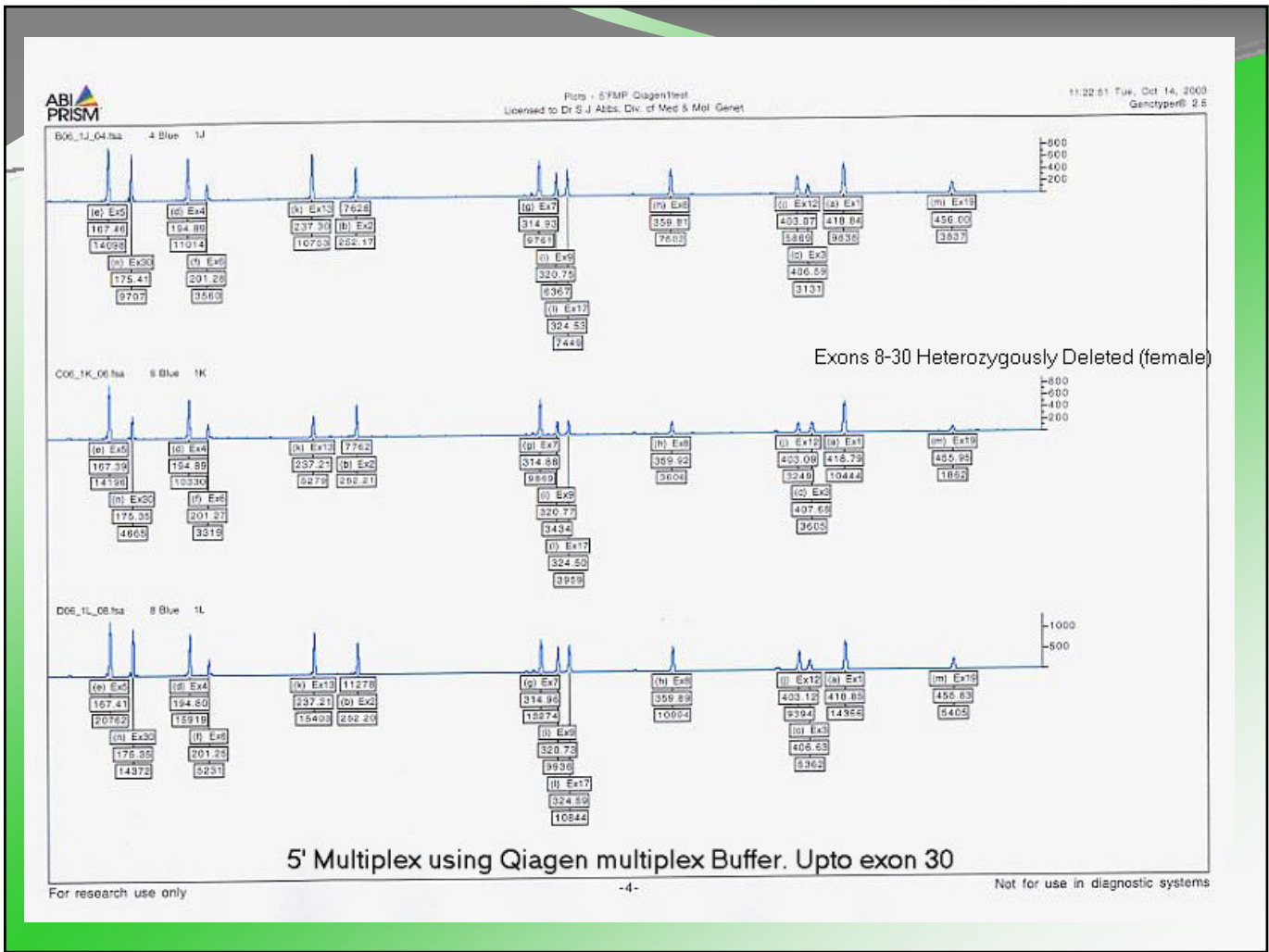
- Point mutations
- Whole exon deletions/duplications
- Small insertions/deletion
- Non sense, frameshift (truncating protein)

### ➤ Upto 10% Mosaicism

- No mutation detected in Mother of boys with known mutations

## Screening – QF PCR

- DNA Quality Test
  - 2 Multiplexes of 14 Exons
  - ABI 3100 Genetic Analyser
  - Analysed on Software and Excel sheet
  - Detect female carrier status, duplicated males/ females
- Detects 99% del, 96% Dup & >1bp ins/del
- However, only accounts for ~ 65-70% dystrophin mutations



## 5' FMP QIAGEN2 STATS

NAME: 2K 48109 F		RESULT																
EXONS	CONTROL	SAMPLE	EXONS															MEAN
			Pm	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	12	13	17	19	30		
Pm	13332	12495	-	1.12	1.03	1.19	1.13	1.22	1.07	2.33	2.1	2	2.24	2	2.02	2.26	1.67	
2	10520	8818	0.89	-	0.92	1.06	1.01	1.09	0.96	2.09	1.88	1.79	2.01	1.79	1.81	2.03	1.49	
3	5174.5	4725	0.97	1.09	-	1.16	1.1	1.19	1.04	2.27	2.05	1.95	2.18	1.95	1.97	2.21	1.62	
4	16270	12838	0.84	0.94	0.86	-	0.95	1.02	0.9	1.96	1.77	1.68	1.89	1.68	1.7	1.91	1.39	
5	18532.5	15403	0.89	0.99	0.91	1.05	-	1.08	0.95	2.07	1.86	1.77	1.99	1.77	1.79	2.01	1.47	
6	5381	4145	0.82	0.92	0.84	0.98	0.93	-	0.88	1.92	1.73	1.64	1.84	1.64	1.66	1.86	1.36	
7	12427.5	10872	0.93	1.04	0.96	1.11	1.05	1.14	-	2.18	1.96	1.87	2.09	1.87	1.88	2.11	1.55	
8	10267.5	4125	0.43	0.48	0.44	0.51	0.48	0.52	0.46	-	0.9	0.86	0.96	0.86	0.87	0.97	0.67	
9	9109	4061	0.48	0.53	0.49	0.57	0.54	0.58	0.51	1.11	-	0.95	1.07	0.95	0.96	1.08	0.75	
12	8271	3879	0.5	0.56	0.51	0.59	0.56	0.61	0.54	1.17	1.05	-	1.12	1	1.01	1.13	0.80	
13	15860	6630	0.45	0.5	0.46	0.53	0.5	0.54	0.48	1.04	0.94	0.89	-	0.89	0.9	1.01	0.70	
17	9678	4538	0.5	0.56	0.51	0.59	0.56	0.61	0.54	1.17	1.05	1	1.12	-	1.01	1.13	0.80	
19	5497.5	2552	0.5	0.55	0.51	0.59	0.56	0.6	0.53	1.16	1.04	0.99	1.11	0.99	-	1.12	0.79	
30	14348	5939	0.44	0.49	0.45	0.52	0.5	0.54	0.47	1.03	0.93	0.88	0.99	0.88	0.89	-	0.69	
		MEAN	0.66	0.75	0.68	0.8	0.76	0.83	0.72	1.65	1.48	1.41	1.59	1.41	1.42	1.6		

Deletion of exons 8-30 in a female patient. 5' Multiplex PCR



## Full Screen

### ➤ Full Screen

- Full DMD gene screening (12 multiplexes, 7 exons each)
- Heteroduplex analysis
- QF PCR all exons
- Both done on ABI 3100 Genetic Analyser

### ➤ Gene Sequencing

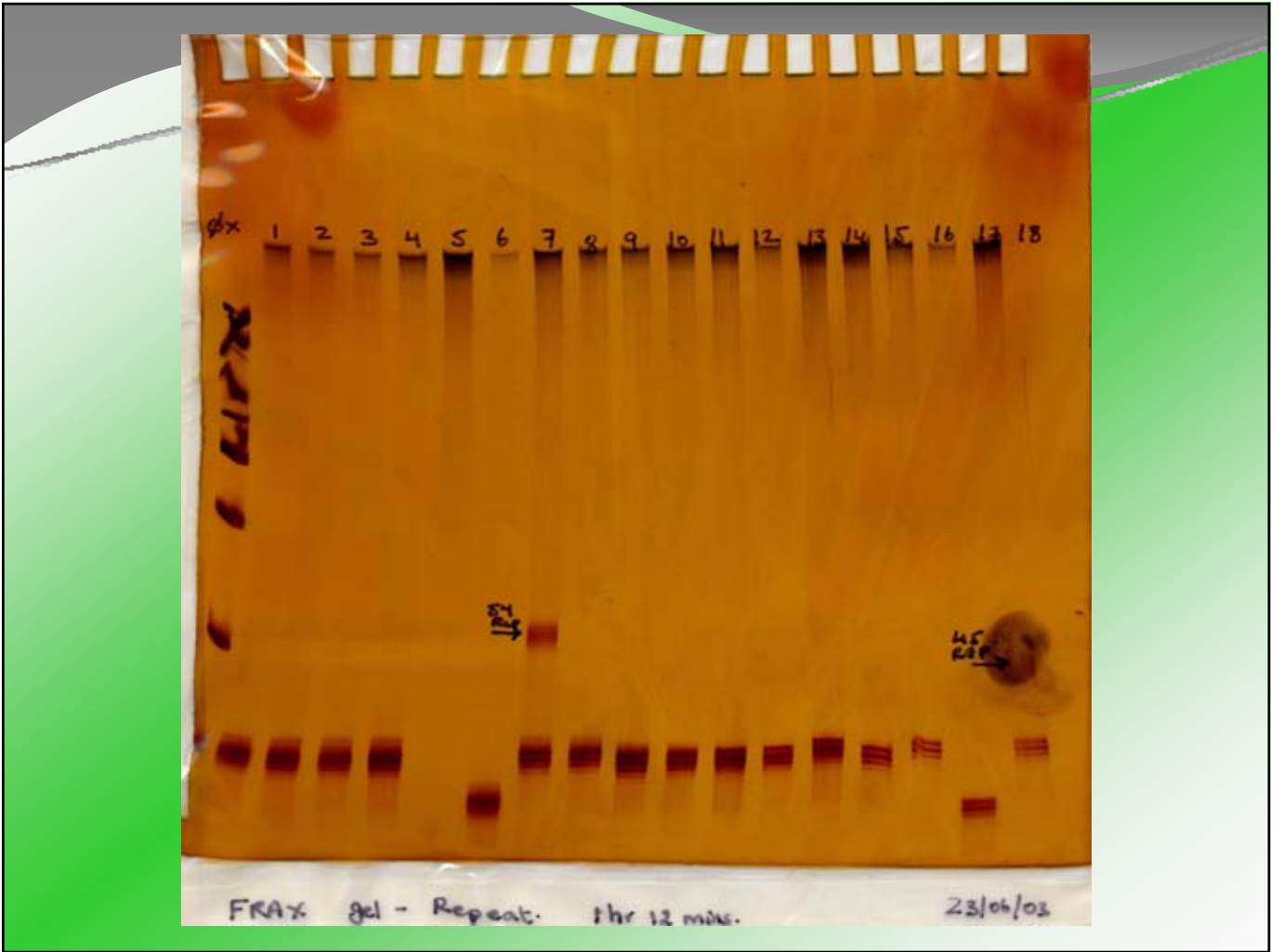
- PTT (Muscle biopsy - mosaicism)



# Fragile X Syndrome

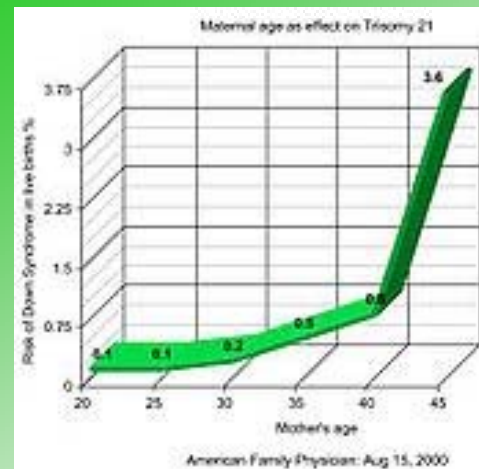
- Mutation on FMR1
  - CGG Repeat > 200
- Elongated face, large or protruding ears, flat feet, MR, speech problems
- Affects 1 in 3600 males and 1 in 4000-6000 Females
- PCR for up to 200 repeats and Southern Blot





# Down's Syndrome

- 1 in 800 to 1000 births worldwide
- Trisomy 21 (full or part)
  - Meiotic Non-dysjunction
  - Full Trisomy 21 – 95% of Down's
  - 88% - maternal
- Maternal Age Risk
- Amniocentesis, CVS
  - Karyotyping, FISH
  - QF-PCR
- Triple Test
  - bHCG AFP, E2



## PCR –GOLD STANDARD BY WHO AND CDC

- Rapid, Ultra Sensitive and Specific
- CHIK, H1N1, MTB, Chlamydia etc.,
- Detects DNA unique to pathogen
- Accurately pick-up virus even in mild infections
- Used for Viral Loads (Hep B, C, HIV)
- Human Papilloma Virus- cervical cancer
- Septicaemia

