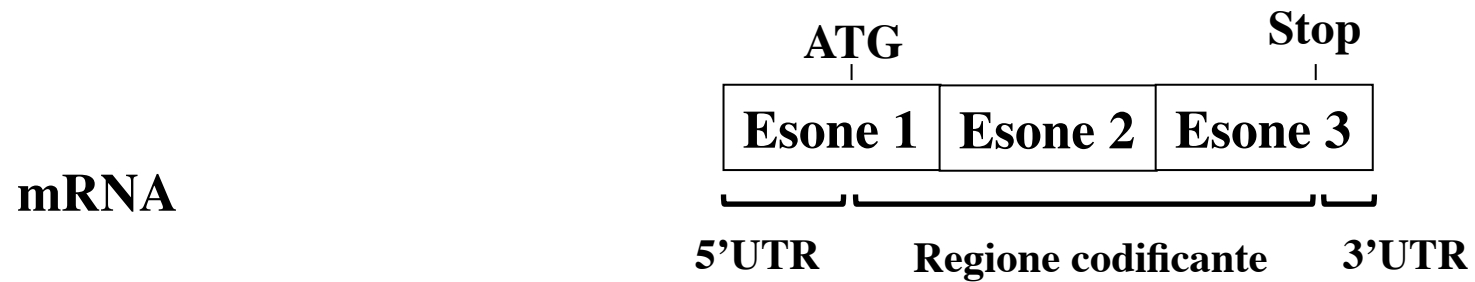
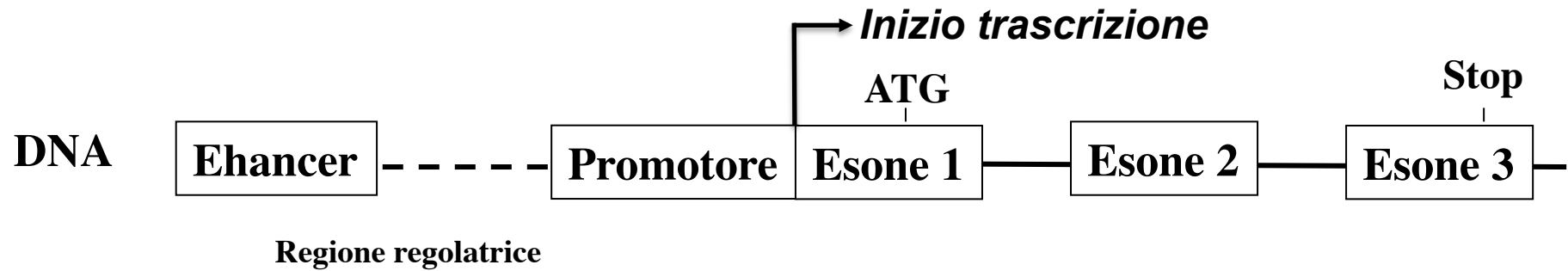


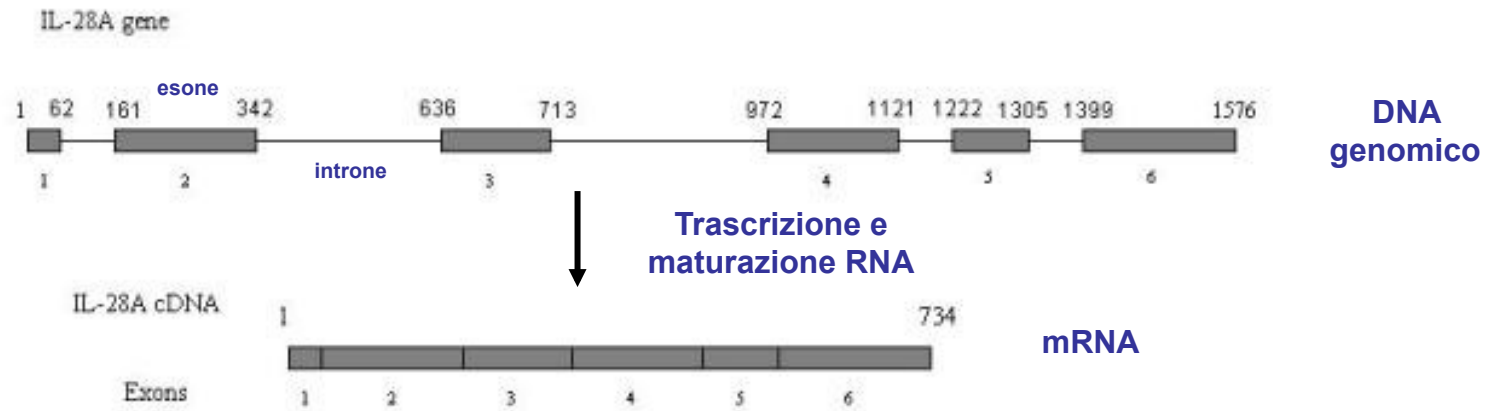
# **STRUTTURA GENOMICA DEL GENE**

**MUTAZIONI GENICHE**



# Struttura del gene

A)



B)

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1561 gccacctcag cgtctat
    
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# Mutazioni geniche

(riferite ad alterazioni di pochi nucleotidi)

- Alterazioni possono colpire ovunque (regioni regolatrici, esoni, introni, ecc.) un gene
- Classificazione:
  - a) Sostituzioni nucleotidiche
  - b) Piccole delezioni, duplicazioni, inserzioni (**indel**)
- Terminologia:
  - a) Variante:** alterazione con effetto sconosciuto (neutro o patogenetico?)
  - b) Mutazione:** variante con effetto patogenetico
- Valutazione dell'effetto (meccanismi di patogenicità)



# Sanger sequencing vs Next Generation Sequencing (NGS)

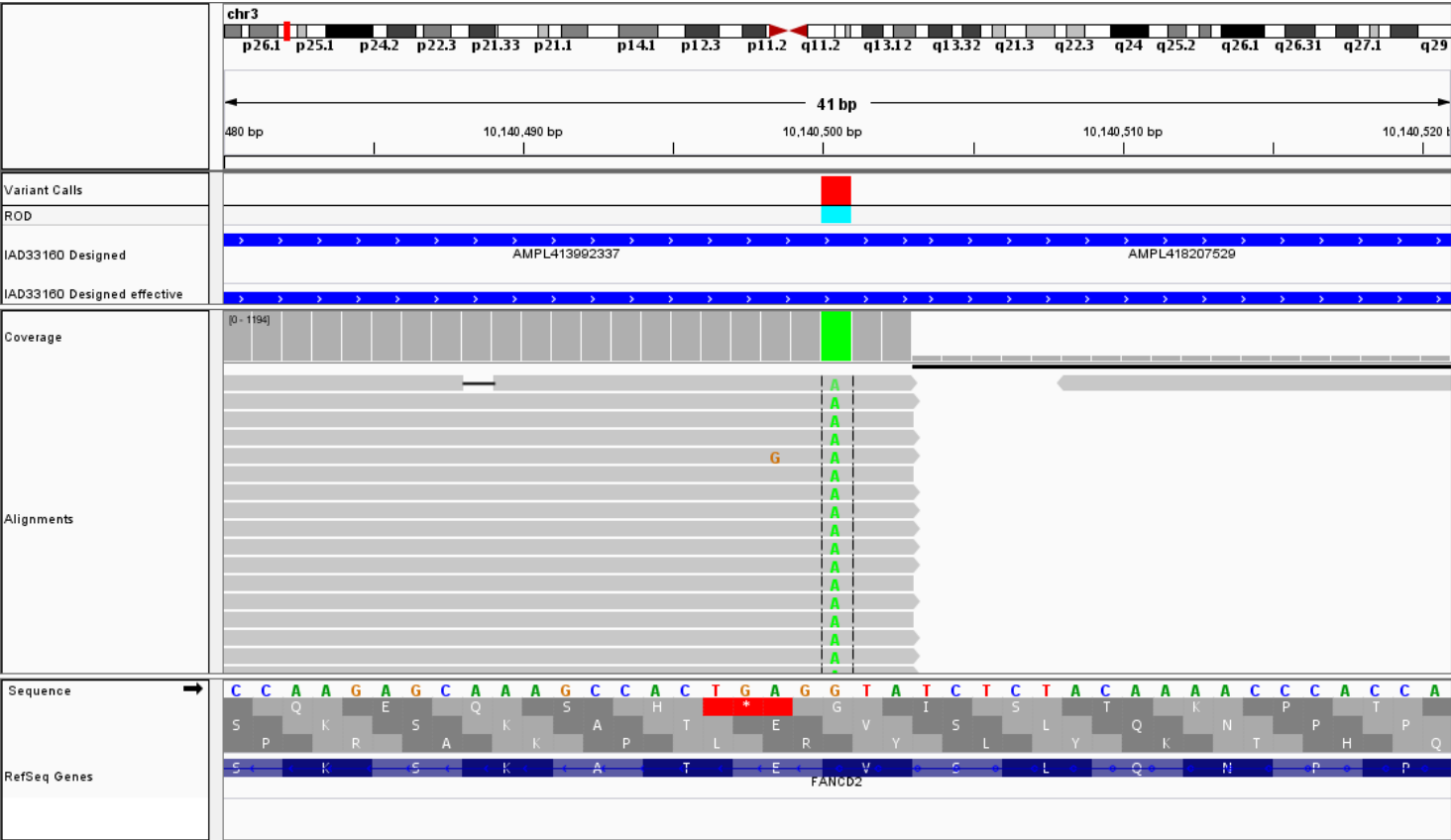
Sanger	NGS (high-throughput sequencing)*
One fragment	Up to entire genome
500-1000 bp	$3 \times 10^9$ bp

## ***\*NGS applications***

- Whole Genome Sequencing (WGS): entire genome (3000 Mb)
- Whole Exome Sequencing (WES): all exons (180,000-200,000 exons; 1% of genome; 30 Mb)
- Transcriptome analysis (RNA-seq): the quantification of transcript levels and the sequence information

NGS: example 1

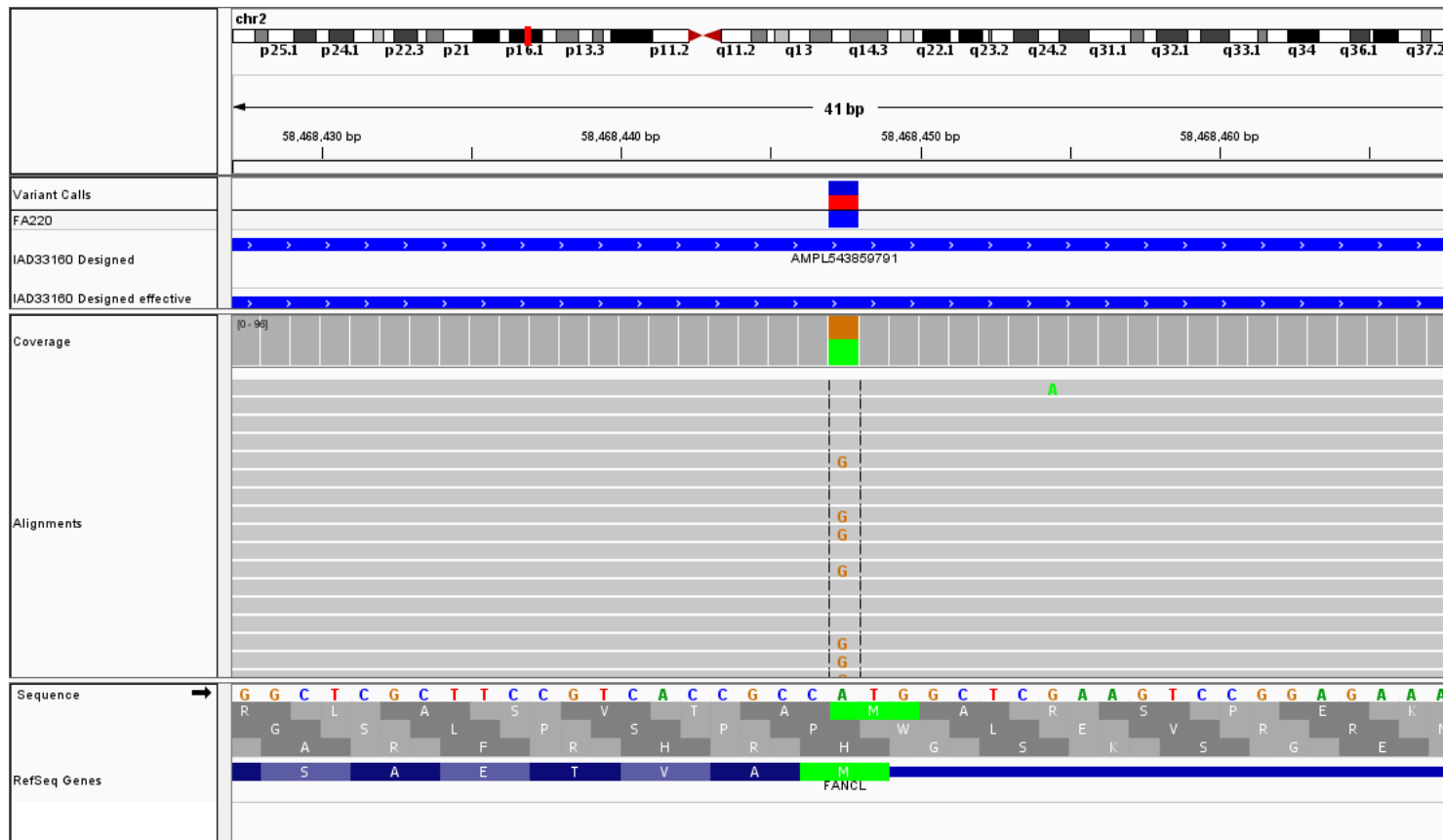
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**INTRON:** 43  
**VARIANT:** c.4281+1G>A  
**STATUS:** Homozygous

# NGS: example 2




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**GENE:** FANCL (NM\_018062.3)  
**EXON:** 1  
**VARIANT:** c.2T>C  
**STATUS:** Heterozygous



# Nucleotide substitutions

	Beta-globin DNA and amino acid sequence	Beta-globin protein
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•normal DNA sequence</li> <li>•normal amino acid sequence</li> <li>•normal protein</li> </ul>	<p>Normal Sequence</p> <p>3      4      5      6      7      8</p> <p>CTG   ACT   CCT   GAG   GAG   AAG</p> <p>Leu — Thr — Pro — Glu — Glu — Lys</p>	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•single base change in DNA sequence</li> <li>•no change in amino acid sequence</li> <li>•normal protein</li> </ul>	<p>Silent Mutation <b>sinonima</b></p> <p>CTG   ACT   CCT   <b>GAA</b>   GAG   AAG</p> <p>Leu — Thr — Pro — Glu — Glu — Lys</p>	

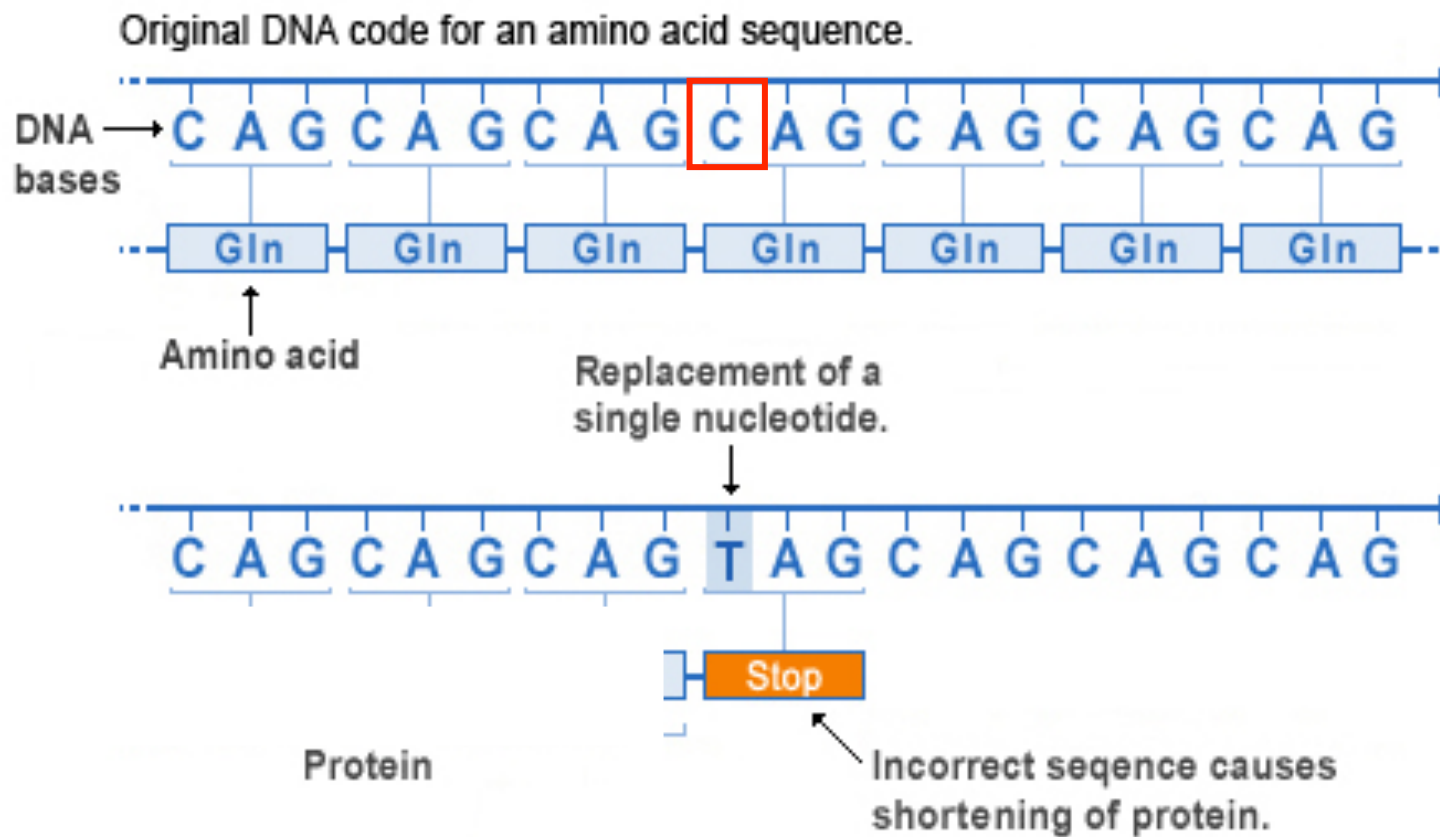
## Seconda base

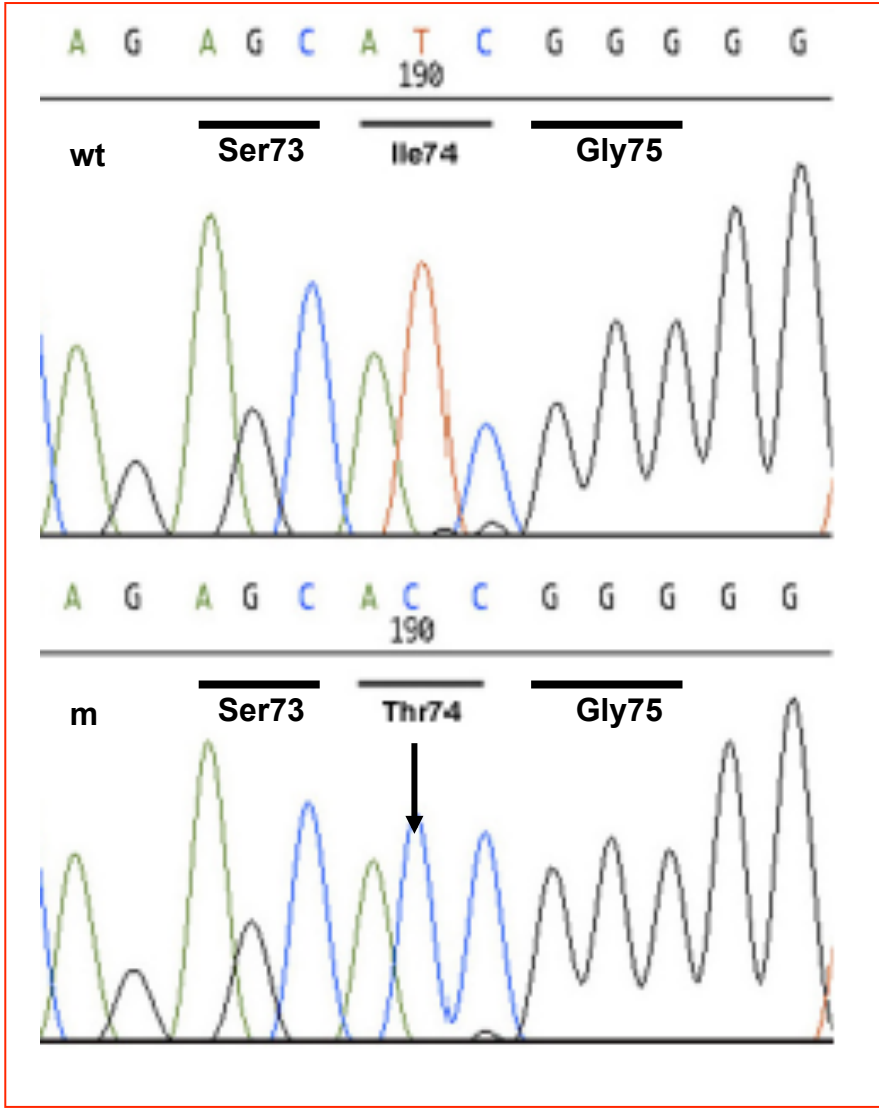
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		U	C	A	G				
Prima base	U	UUU	UCU	UAU	UGU	U	C		
		UUC	UCC	UAC	UGC				
		UUA	UCA	UAA	UGA			A	
		UUG	UCG	UAG	UGG			G	
	C	CUU	CCU	CAU	CGU	U	C		
		CUC	CCC	CAC	CGC			A	
		CUA	CCA	CAA	CGA				G
		CUG	CCG	CAG	CGG				
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		AUC	ACC	AAC	AGC			A	
		AUA	ACA	AAA	AGA				G
		AUG	ACG	AAG	AGG				
	G	GUU	GCU	GAU	GGU	U	C		
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		GUG	GCG	GAG	GGG				

**Terza base**

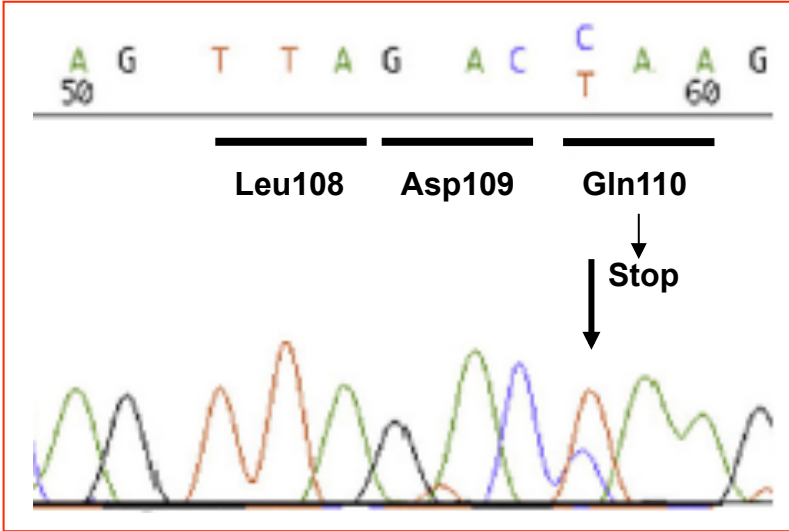
# Nucleotide substitutions

## Nonsense mutation





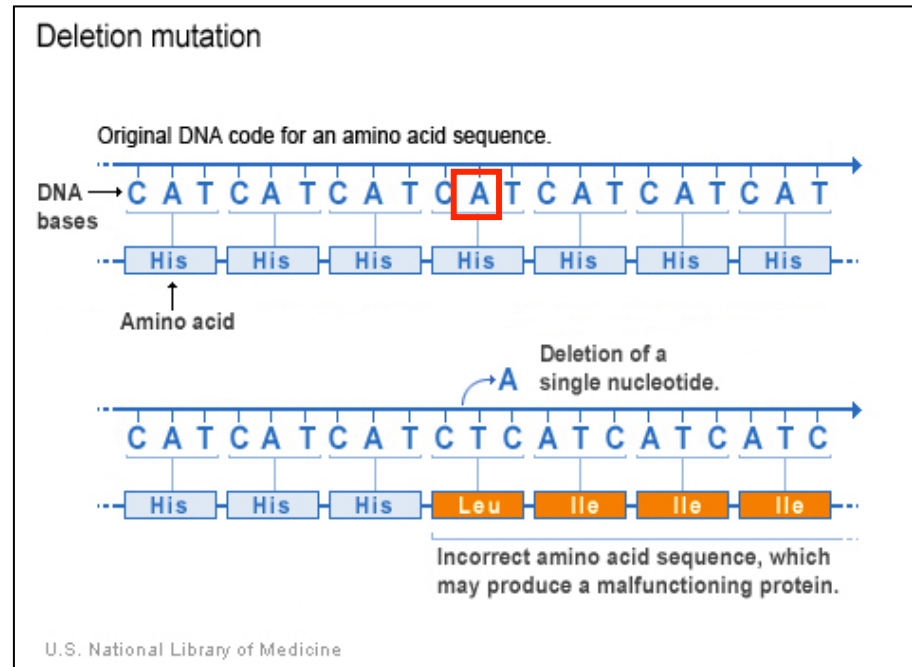
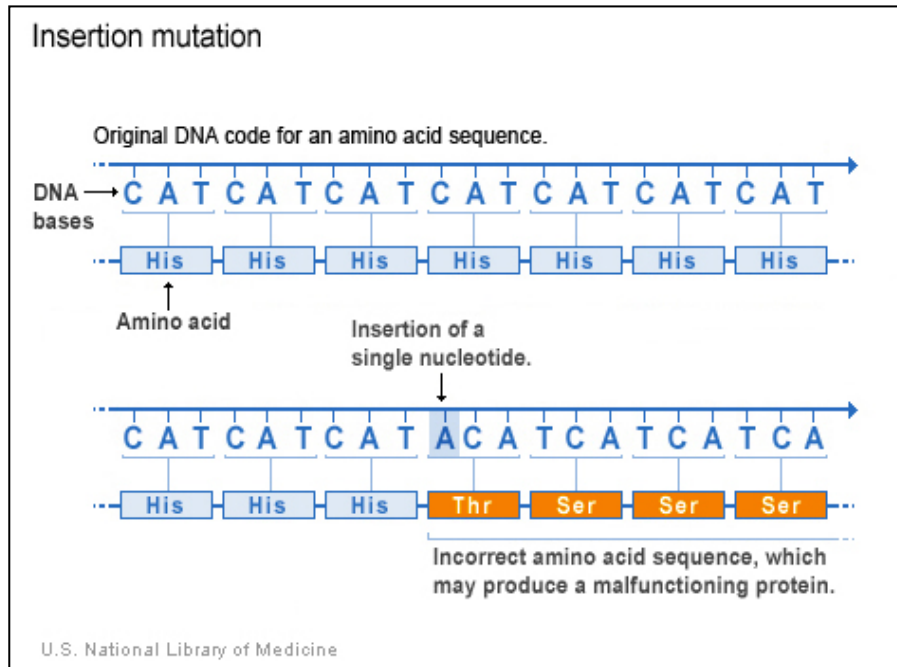
**p.Ile74Thr**



**p.Q110\***

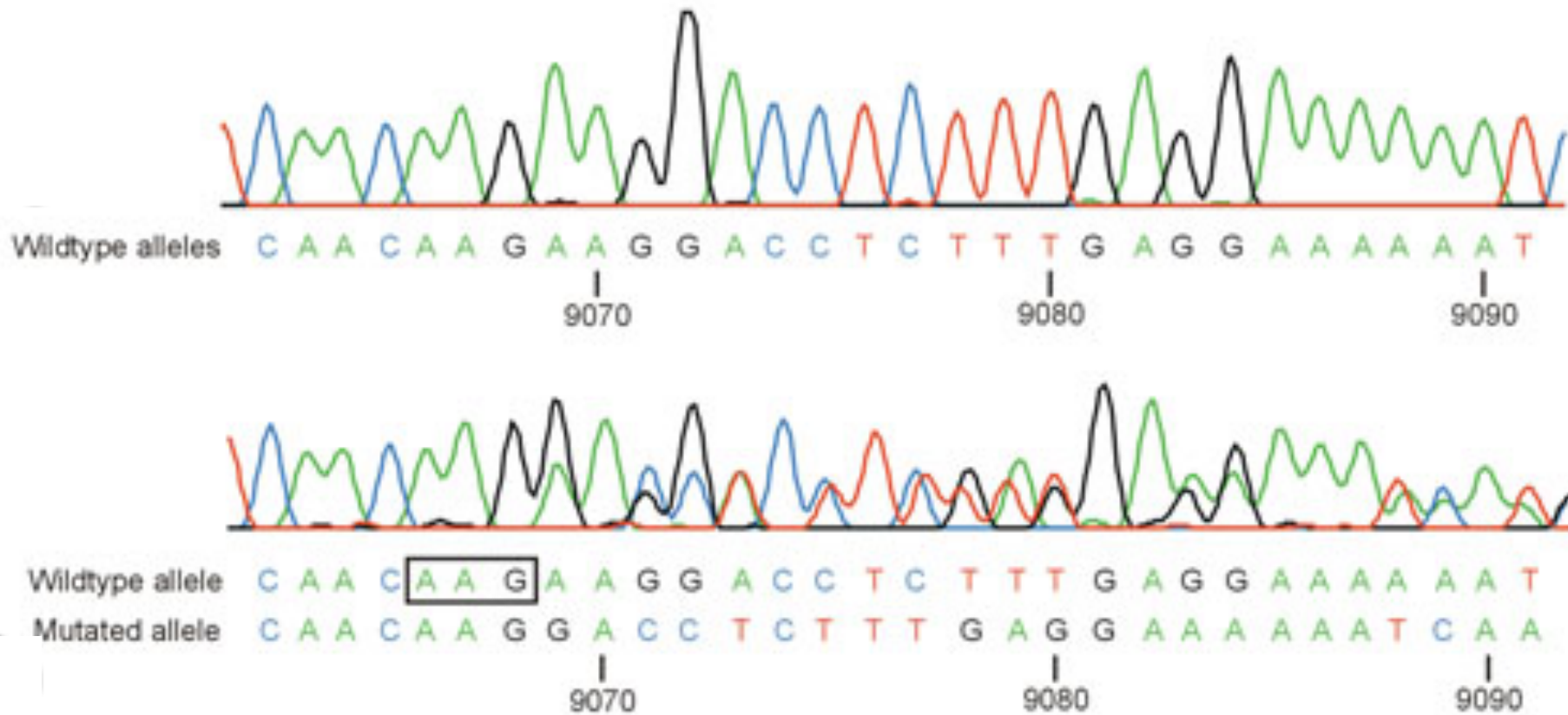
# Nucleotide deletion/duplication/insertion

## 1) Frameshift mutations

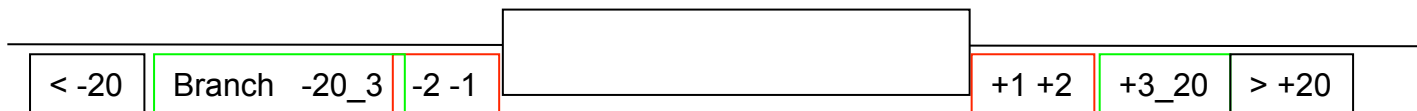
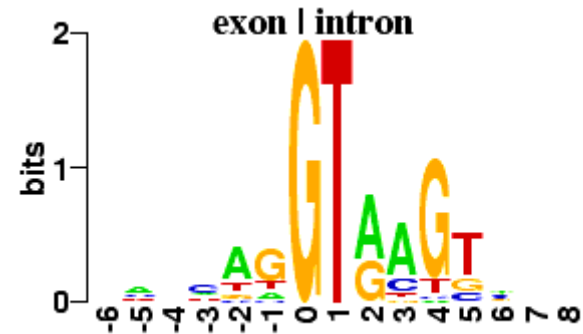
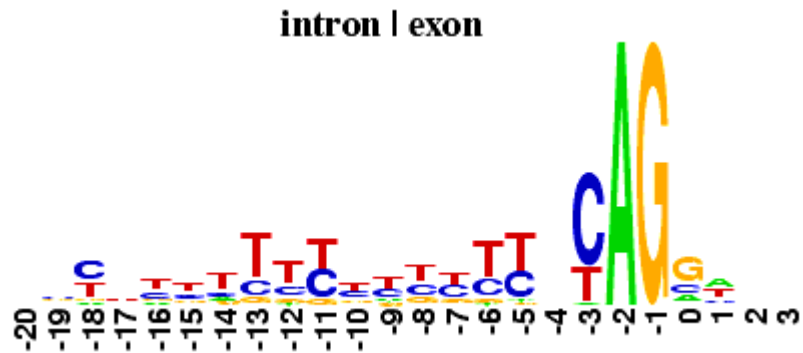
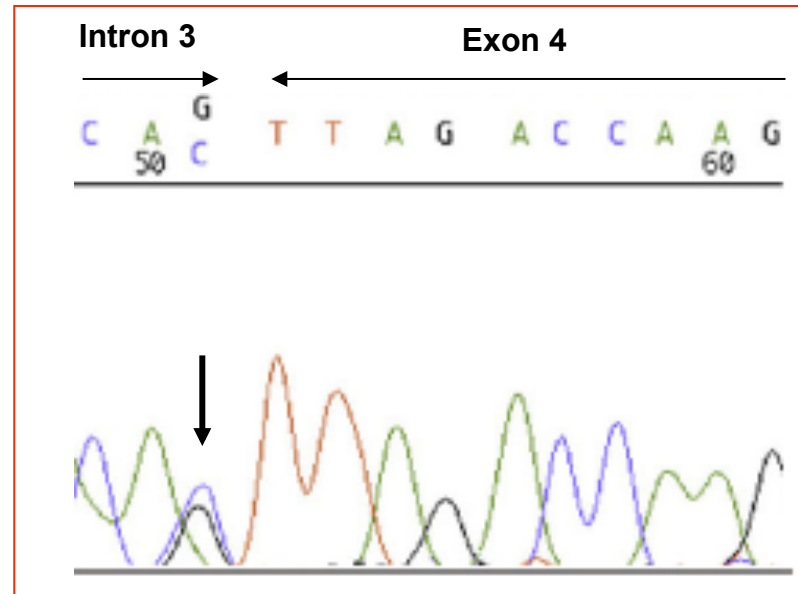
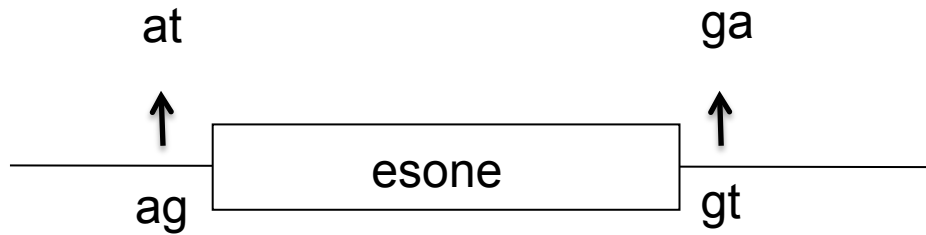


## 2) In-frame mutations

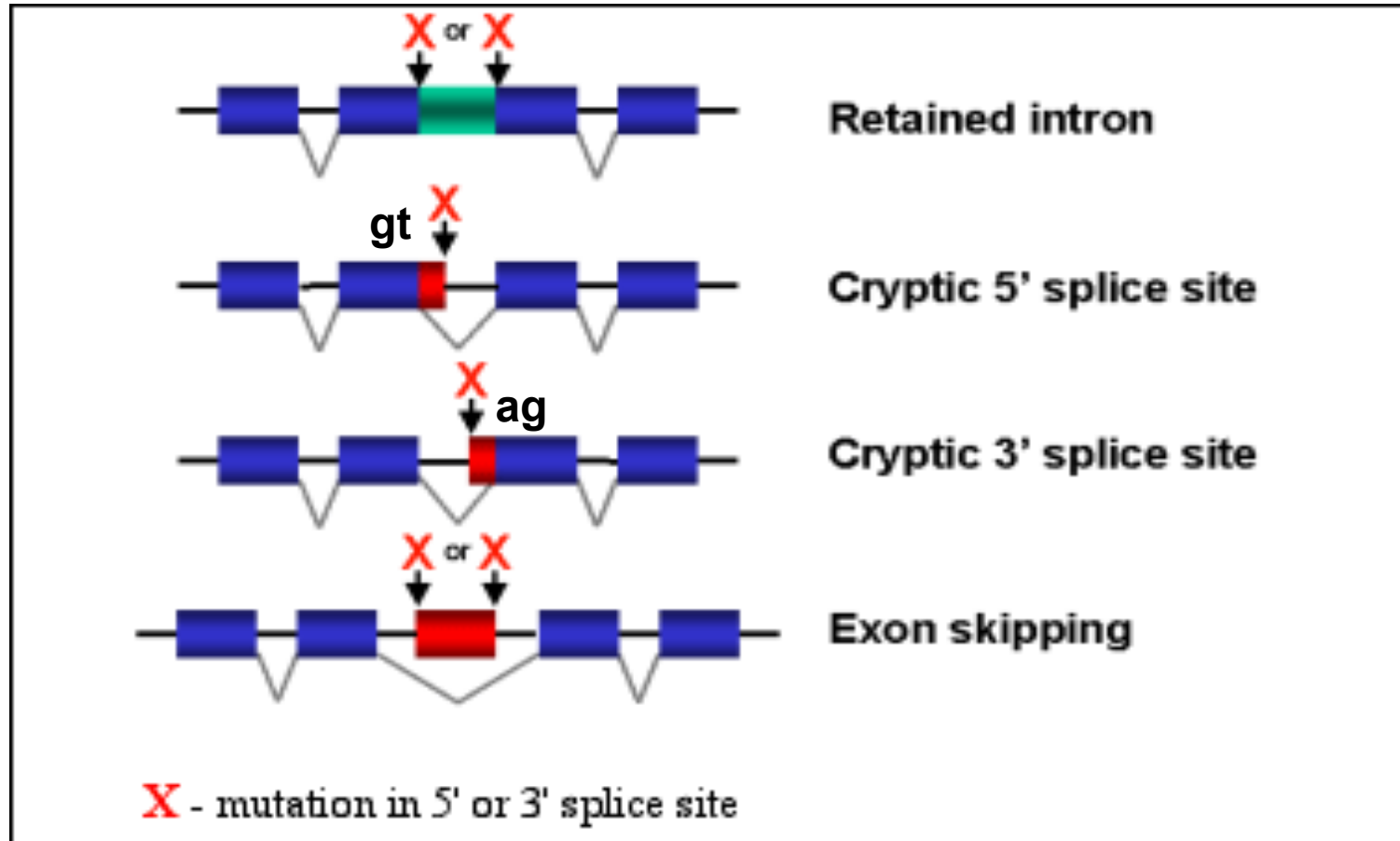
# DELEZIONE ETEROZIGOTE di tre nucleotidi - AAG



# Splicing mutations



## Conseguenze mutazione nei siti di splicing



Splicing  
mutation



Effetto  
mRNA



Frameshit  
In-frame



## Classification of variants (point)

DNA		Protein	
		Prediction	Effect on protein function
Coding region	Nucleotide substitution	Synonim	VUS (var of unknown significance)
		missense	VUS
		nonsense	Deleterius
	Deletion Insertion duplication	In-frame ( $N=3n$ )	Likely pathogenetic
		Frameshift ( $N\neq 3n$ )	Deleterius
Uncoding (coding) region	As above (Splicing sites)	unknown	unknown
	As above (Regulatory 5'/3'-UTR)	unknown	unknown

# Consequences of mutations

Variants >> Mutations



Transcription



Transduction



Pathogenetic mechanisms



Phenotype/Disease

**Mutation type**

**mRNA stability**  
**Alternative mRNA**

**Protein stability**

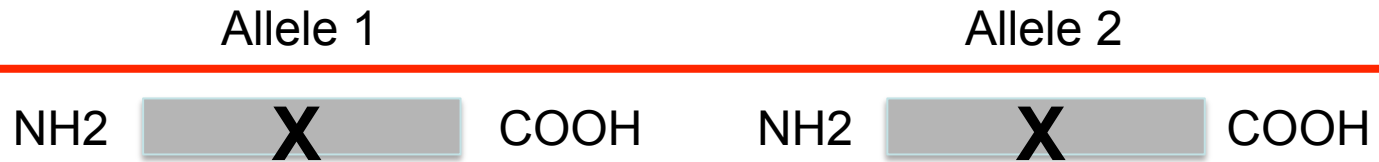
**Loss-of-function**  
**Haploinsufficiency**  
**Dominant negative**  
**Gain of function**

## Classificazione delle mutazioni in base all'effetto sulla funzione

Malattie  
ricessive

1) **Perdita di funzione (loss of function)**: riduzione o perdita di funzione; negli eterozigoti si mantiene un margine di attività che permette una normale funzione

Affetto



Sano



Malattie  
dominanti

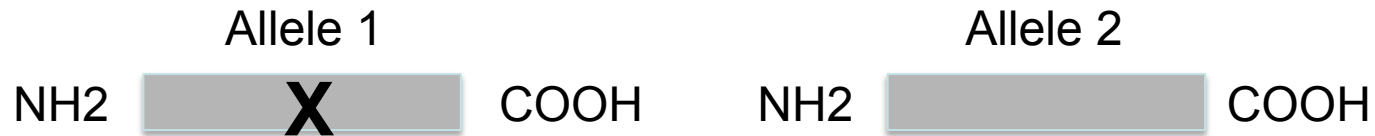
2) **Aploinsufficienza**: contributo di un allele normale non è sufficiente per prevenire un difetto; necessario più del 50% di proteina per la normale funzione

Affetto

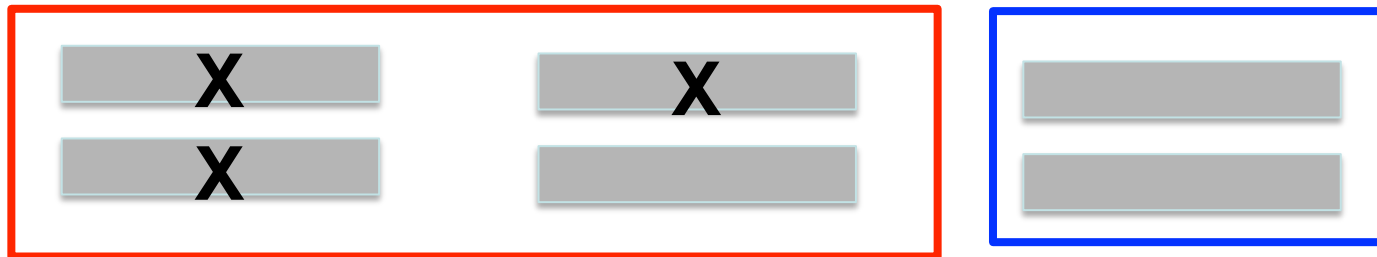


## Classificazione delle mutazioni in base all'effetto sulla funzione

**3) Effetto dominante negativo:** proteina anomala interferisce con la funzione dell'allele normale



Molecola matura formata da dimeri nelle seguenti combinazioni

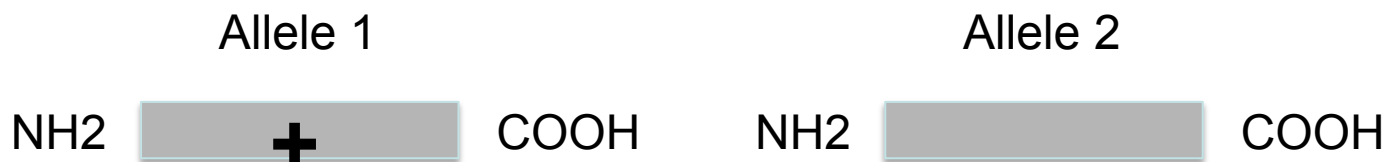


**Prodotto non attivo**

**Prodotto attivo  
Insufficiente per garantire funzione**

**4) Gain of function**

- Aumenta l'attività funzionale
- Nuova funzione della proteina



Malattie dominanti

# Types of mutations (large) DNA level

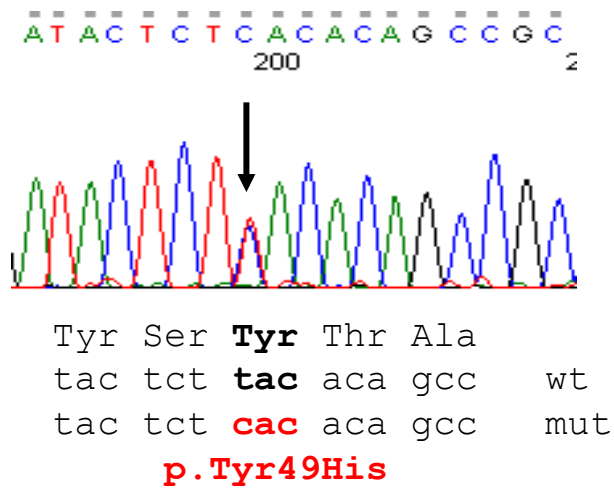
- Deletions of the entire gene
- Gene disruption for chromosomal rearrangement
- Intragenic, large (one or more exons) deletions or duplications
- Nonsense, frameshift
- Duplications of the entire gene

**Deleterious  
Pathogenic**

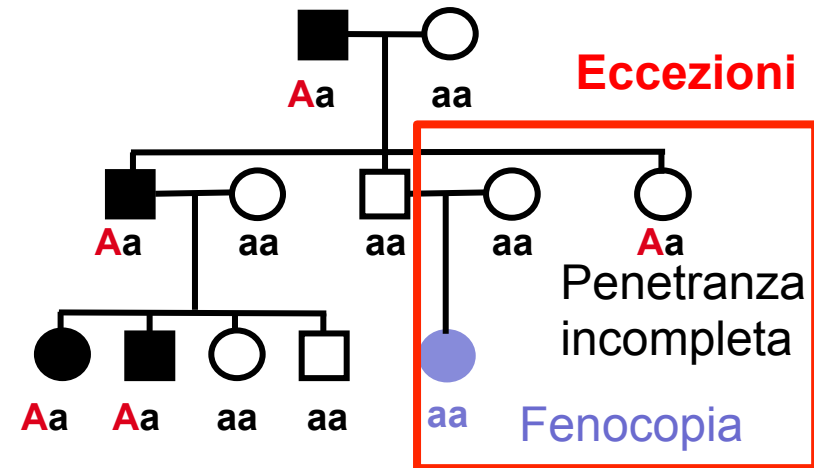
**Quantitative  
Gain of function?**

# Effetto patogenetico delle varianti missense? (problematica frequente in NGS)

- Variante rara nella popolazione
- **Segregazione nella famiglia**
- **Conservazione dell'ammino acido durante l'evoluzione**
- Programmi predittivi
- Studi funzionali in vitro o in modelli animali



## Segregazione nella famiglia

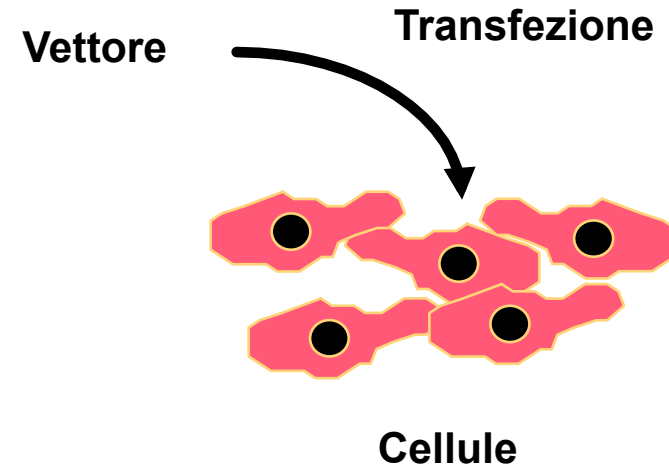
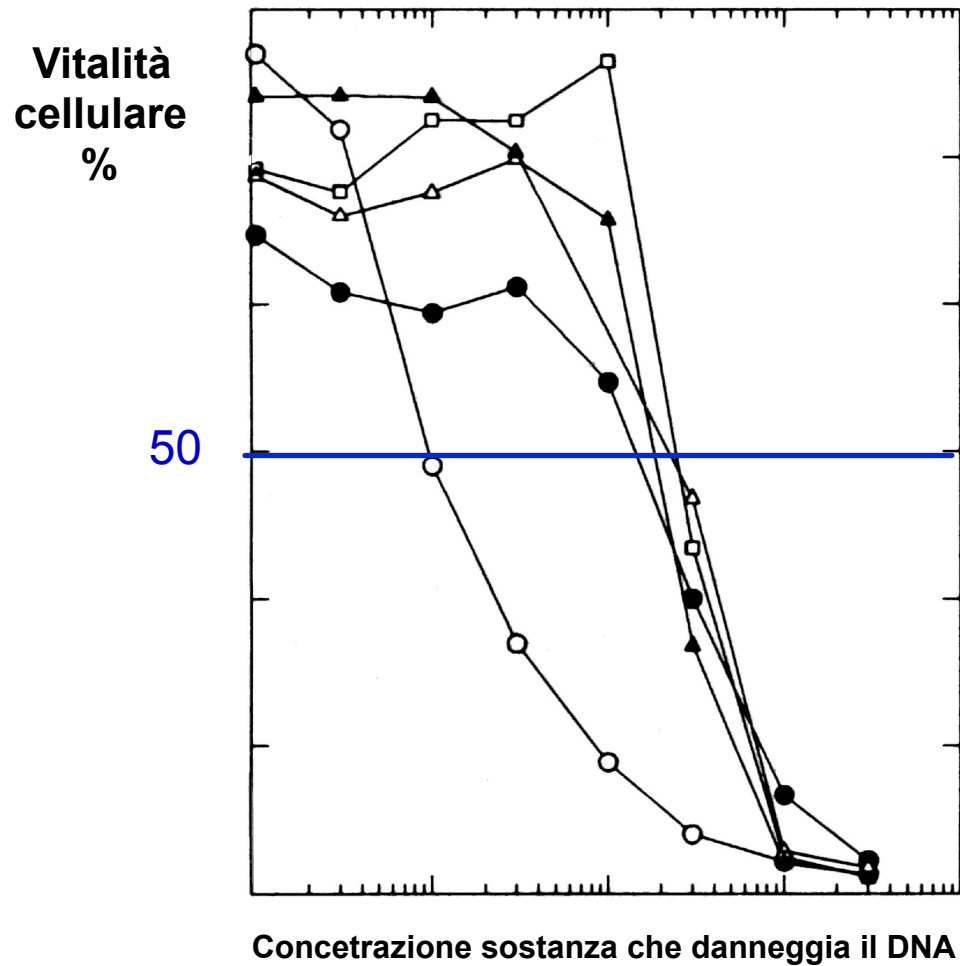


## Conservazione amminoacido

**p.Tyr49His**

Homo sapiens	T	G	Q	A	P	G	Y	S	<b>Y</b>	T
Pab troglodytes	T	G	Q	A	P	G	Y	S	Y	T
Mus musculus	T	G	Q	A	P	G	F	S	Y	T
S. cerevisiae	S	G	Q	V	K	G	Y	S	Y	T
Magnaporthe grisea	T	G	S	V	D	G	Y	A	Y	T
Arabidosis thaliana	S	G	T	T	P	G	Y	S	Y	S
P. falciparum	S	G	D	S	D	-	F	P	Y	S

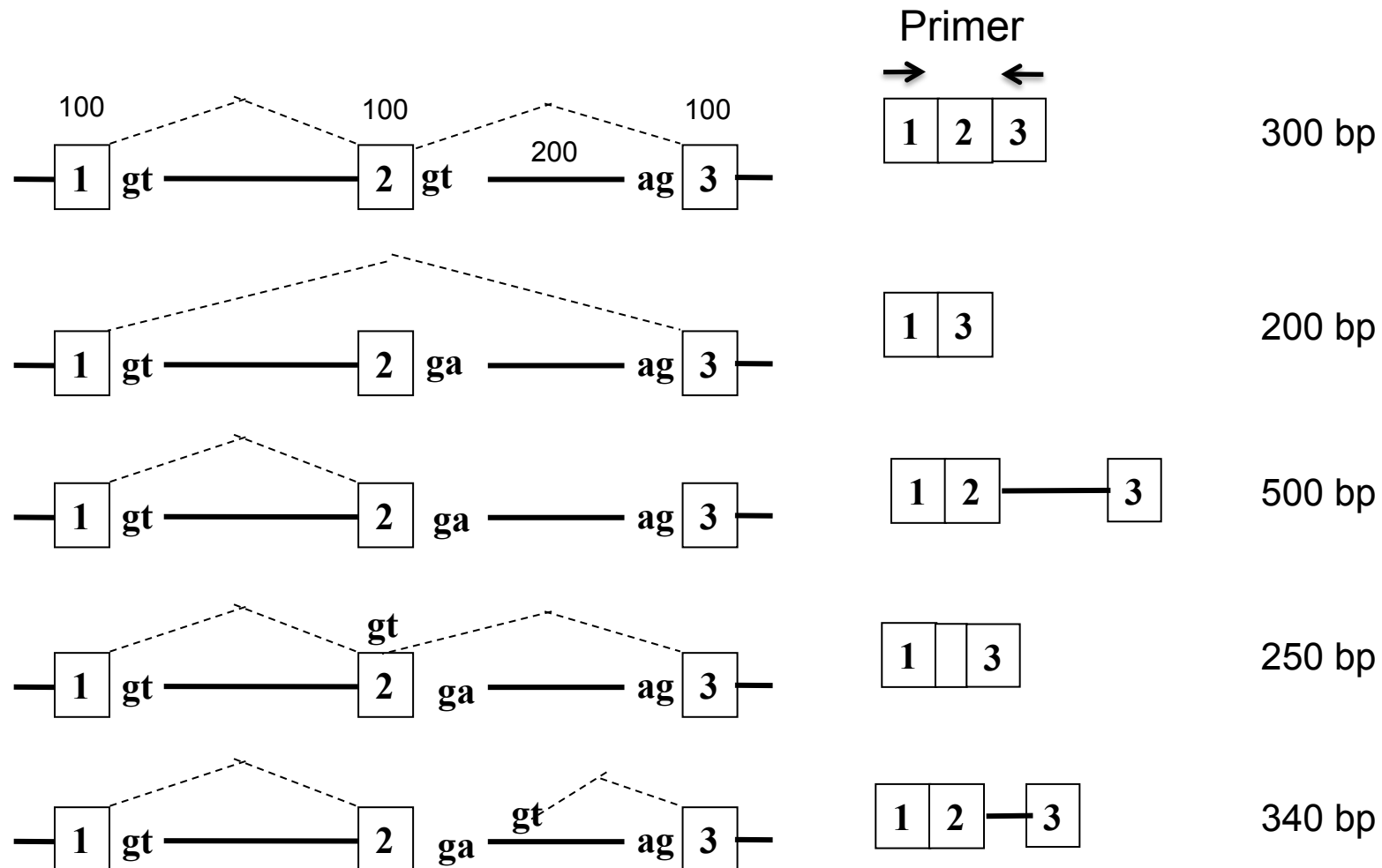
# SAGGIO FUNZIONALE - MODELLO ANEMIA DI FANCONI (FA)



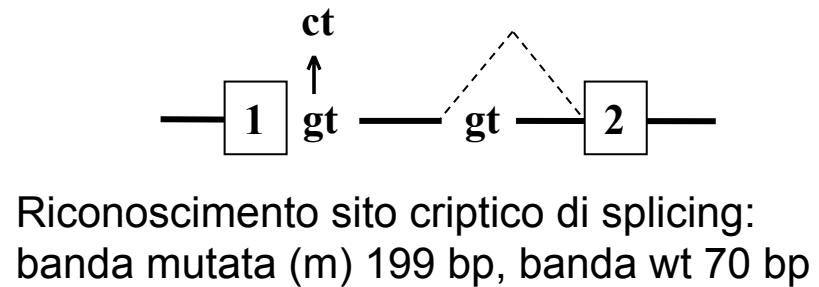
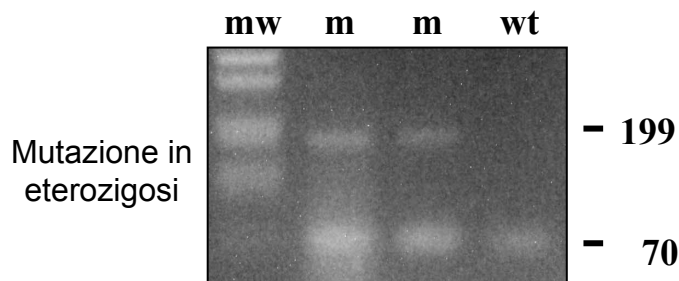
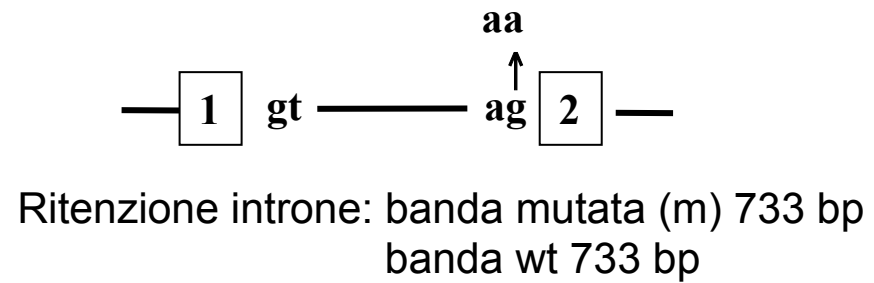
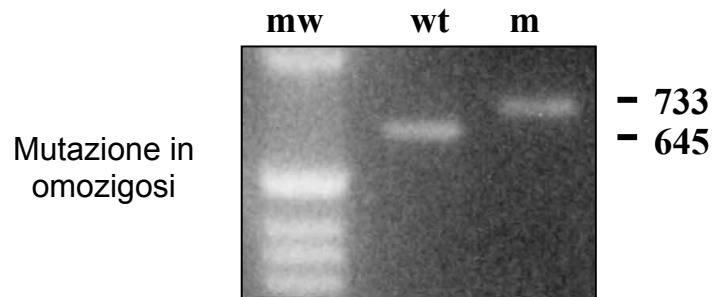
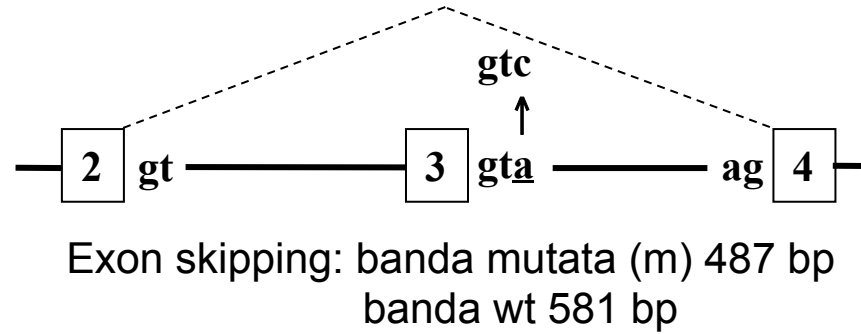
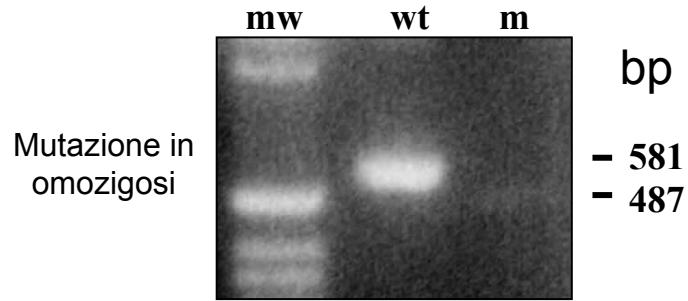
- Cellule wt + vettore vuoto
- Cellule FA + vettore vuoto
- Cellule FA + cDNA wt del gene
- △ Cellule FA + cDNA mutato
- ▲ Cellule FA + cDNA mutato



# RT-PCR to identify effects of splicing mutations



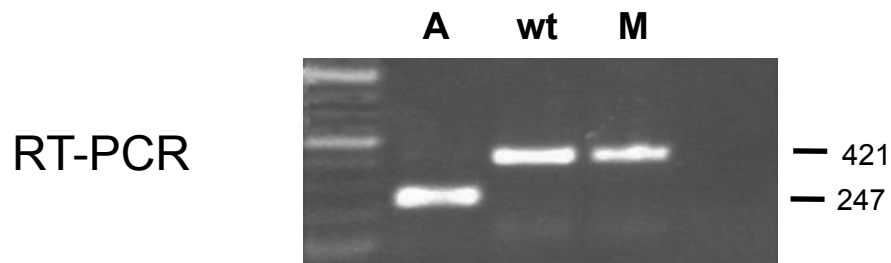
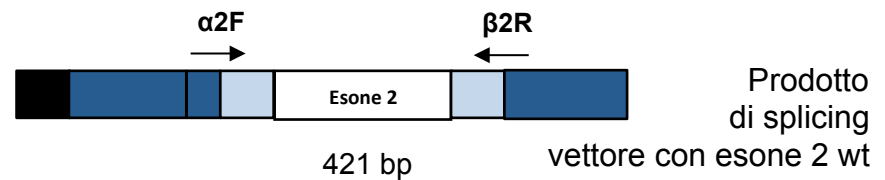
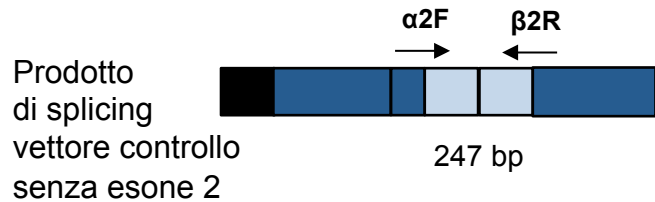
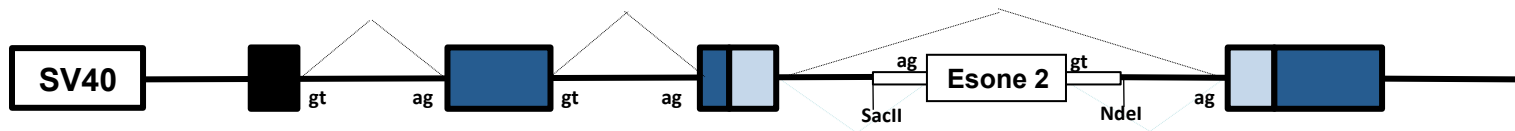
# Effetti mutazioni di splicing: esempi di RT-PCR su cDNA del gene FANCA



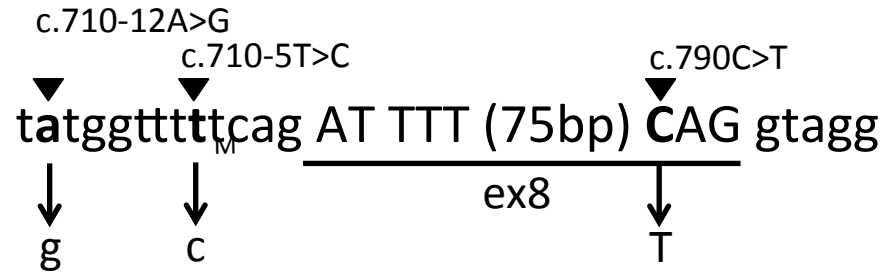
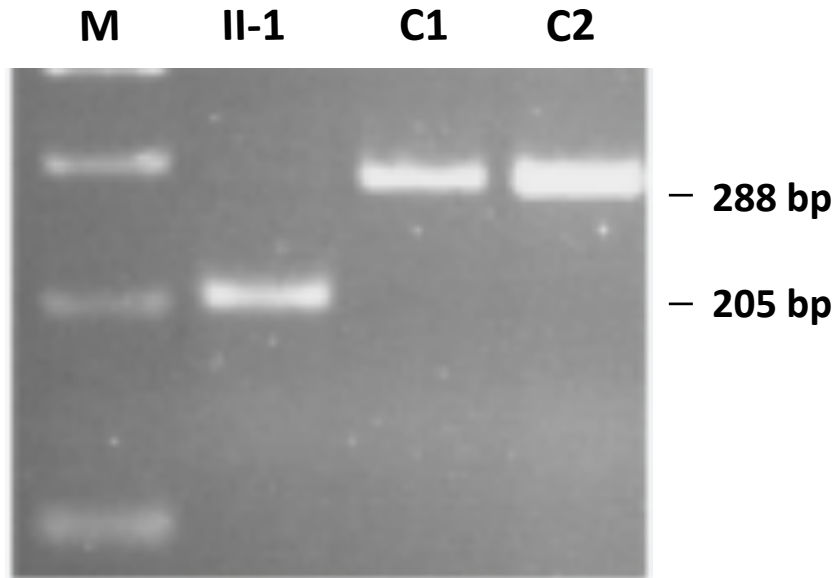
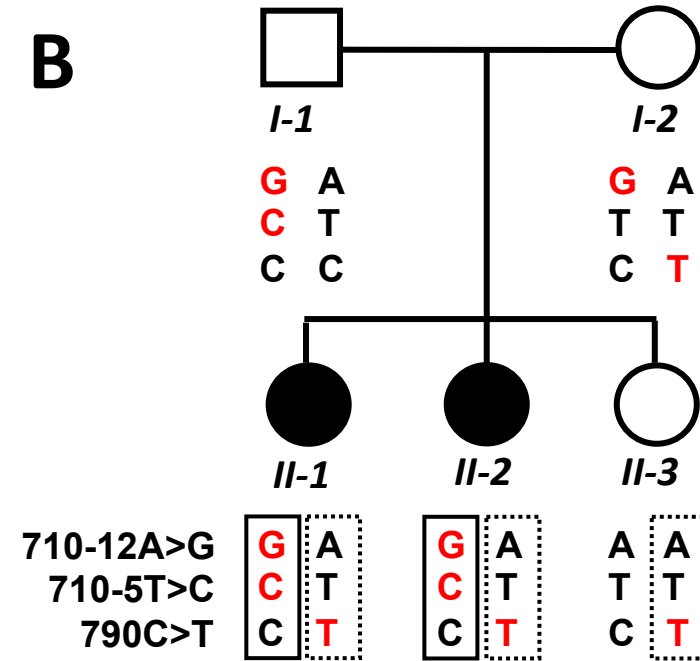
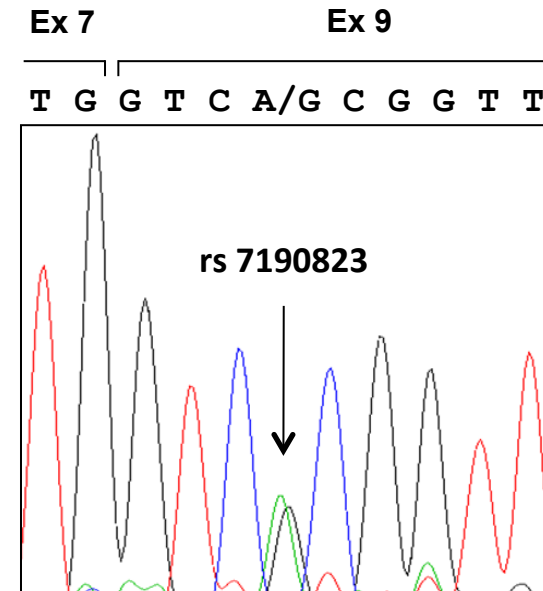
# Sistema del minigene per valutare gli effetti delle mutazioni sullo splicing

Esone 2 <sup>C</sup>  
 ↑  
 CTG GAG AGgtgaggc . . . tccccgcagG ATG TTC  
 Leu Glu Ar G Met Phe

Clonaggio esone 2 nel sistema minigene



Prodotto mutato (M) uguale al prodotto wt: nessun effetto sullo splicing da parte della mutazione A>C

**A****C****B****D**



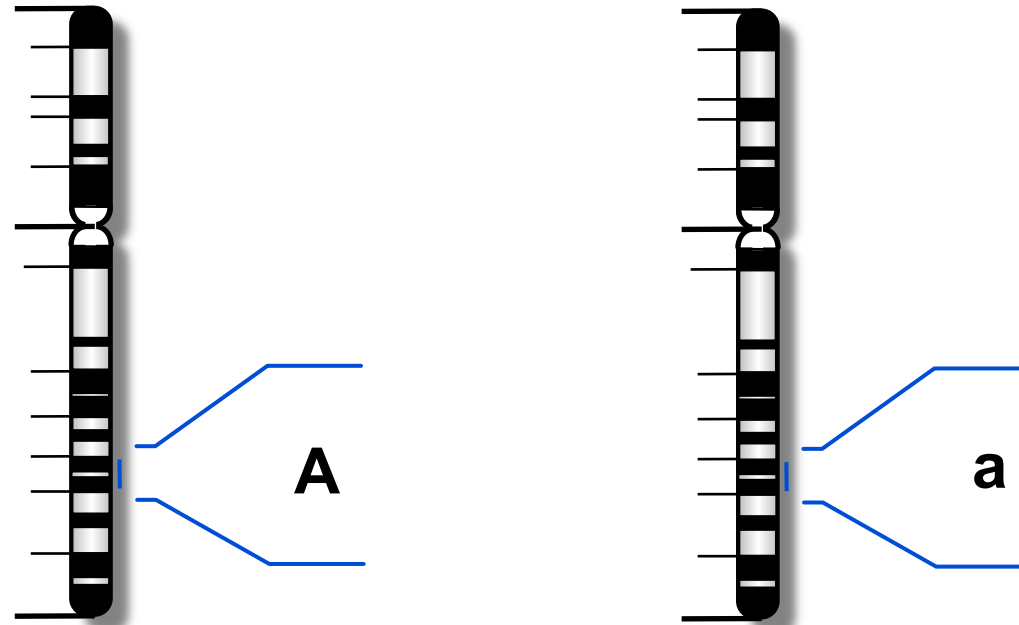
## **Non solo mutazioni ...**

- Allele molto raro nella popolazione
- Effetto patogenetico sulla funzione del prodotto genico

## **... ma anche polimorfismi ...**

- Allele più raro con frequenza  $\geq 1\%$
- Generalmente considerato una variante “neutra” senza effetti sul fenotipo

## Stima delle frequenze genotipiche e alleliche



**Genotipo: Aa**

## Calcolo delle frequenze alleliche

	Genotipo			
	AA	Aa	aa	Totale
N° individui	40	47	13	100
Frequenza genotipo	0,40	0,47	0,13	1
N° alleli "A"	80	47	0	127
N° alleli "a"	0	47	26	73
Totale N° alleli				200

Frequenza  
allelica

$$F(A) = p = 127/200 = 0.635$$

$$F(a) = q = 73/200 = 0.365$$

$$p + q = 1$$



## Calcolo delle frequenze alleliche

	Genotipi/fenotipi						
	A1A1	A1A2	A1A3	A2A2	A2A3	A3A3	Totale
N° individui	2450	1400	700	200	200	50	5000
Frequenza genotipi	0,49	0,28	0,14	0,04	0,04	0,01	
N° alleli "A1"	4900	1400	700				7000
N° alleli "A2"		1400		400	200		2000
N° alleli "A3"			700		200	100	1000
Totale N° alleli							10000

Frequenza  
allelica

$$F(A1) = p = 7000/10000 = 0,70$$

$$F(A2) = q = 2000/10000 = 0,20$$

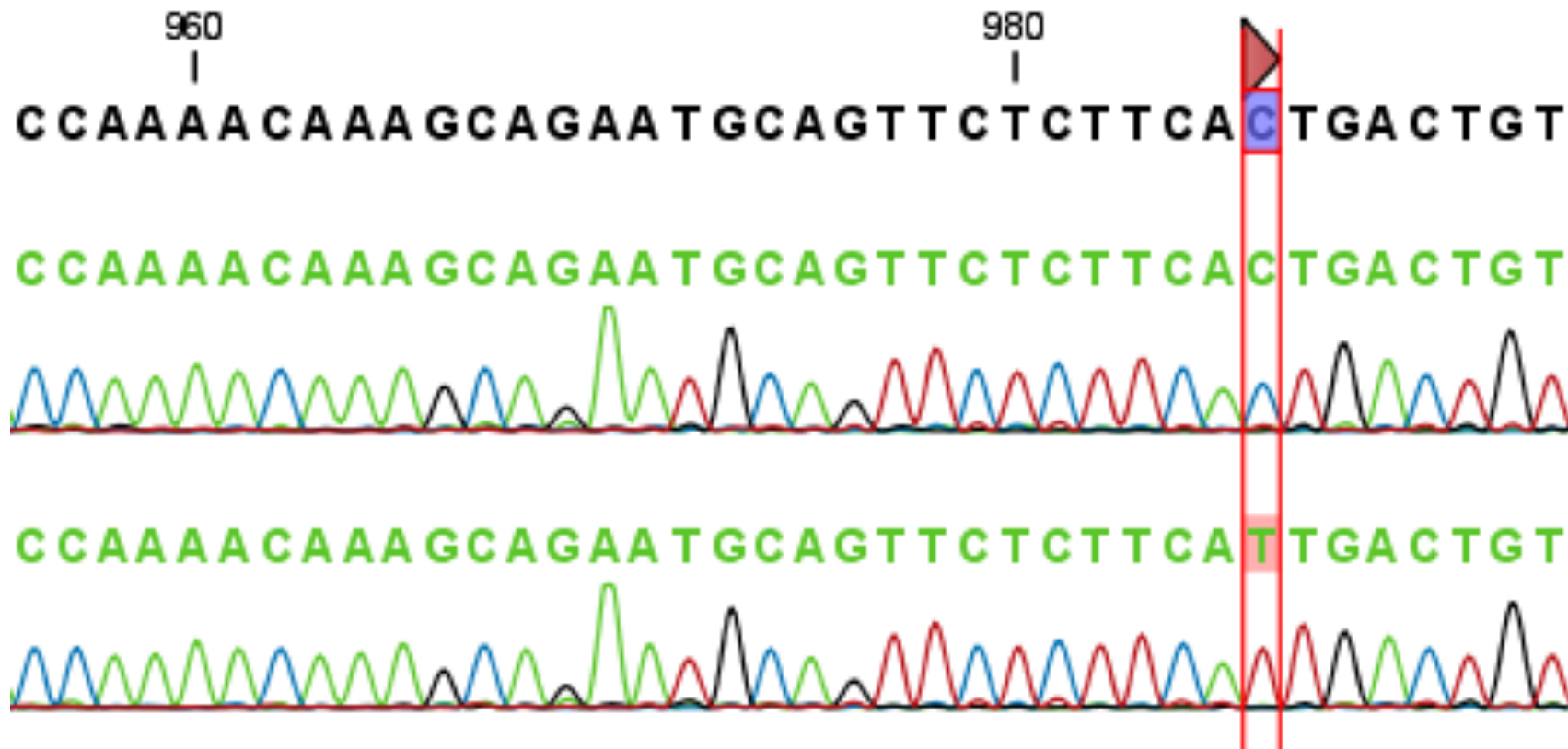
$$F(A3) = r = 1000/10000 = 0,10$$

$$p + q + r = 1$$

# Diversi tipi di polimorfismi

- Polimorfismi del DNA
  - **SNP (single nucleotide polymorphism)**: sostituzioni singoli nucleotidi;
  - **RFLP (restriction full length polymorphism)**: SNP che crea o distrugge un sito riconosciuto da un enzima di restrizione;
  - Loci ipervariabili: **microsatelliti**, minisatelliti, VNTR
  - **CNV (copy number variations)**
- Polimorfismi sierologici e immunologici (HLA, sistema ABO, etc.)
- Polimorfismi dei cromosomi

# SNP



# SNP/RFLP

## BamHI

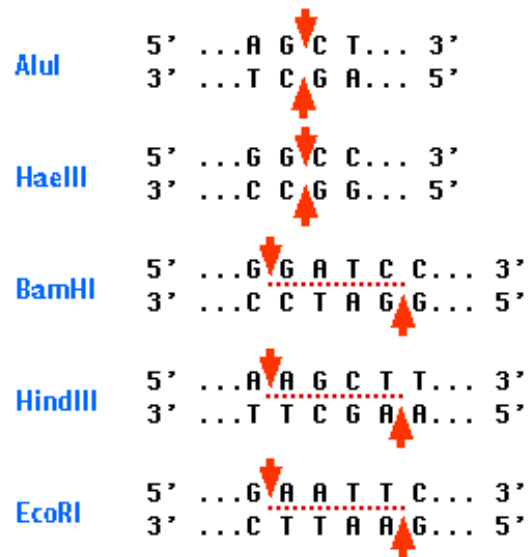
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450 bp

400bp

ACTGGGTACG**C**ATCCATTCA

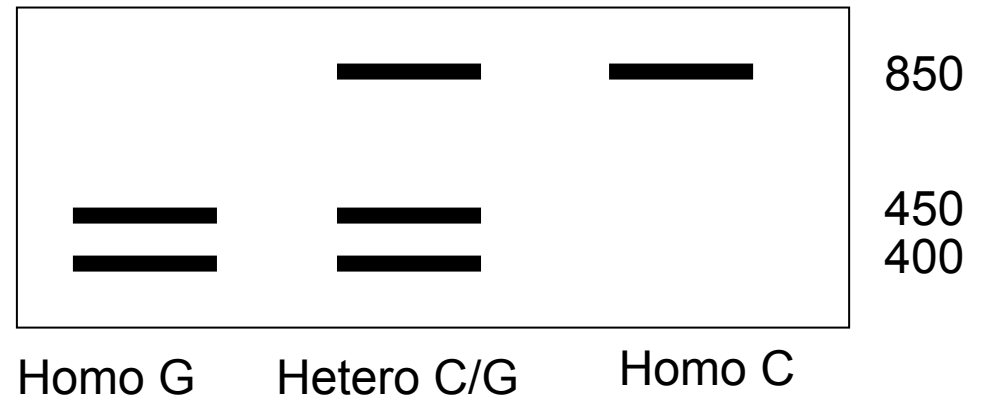
850 bp



**AluI** and **HaeIII** produce blunt ends

**BamHI** **HindIII** and **EcoRI** produce "sticky" ends

### Corsa elettroforetica





# Genotipizzazione di loci polimorfici

**Un locus**



**PCR**

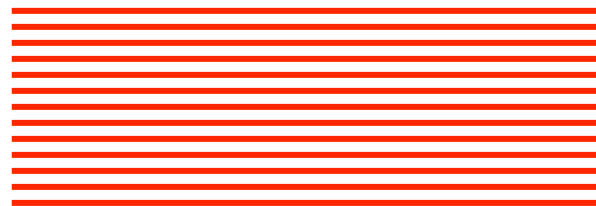
Amplificazione di DNA  
(sintesi in vitro di molecole del frammento prescelto)

**Più loci**

1) **SNP array**

2) **NGS**

- **Genoma**
- **Esoma**



Analisi di Sequenza  
(altre metodiche)  
**SNP**

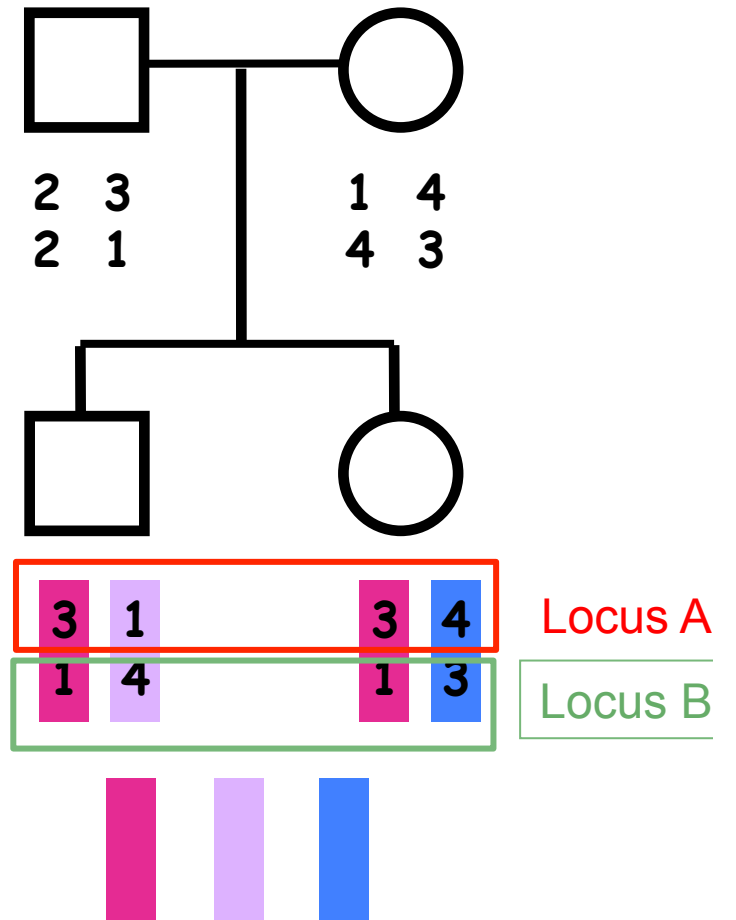
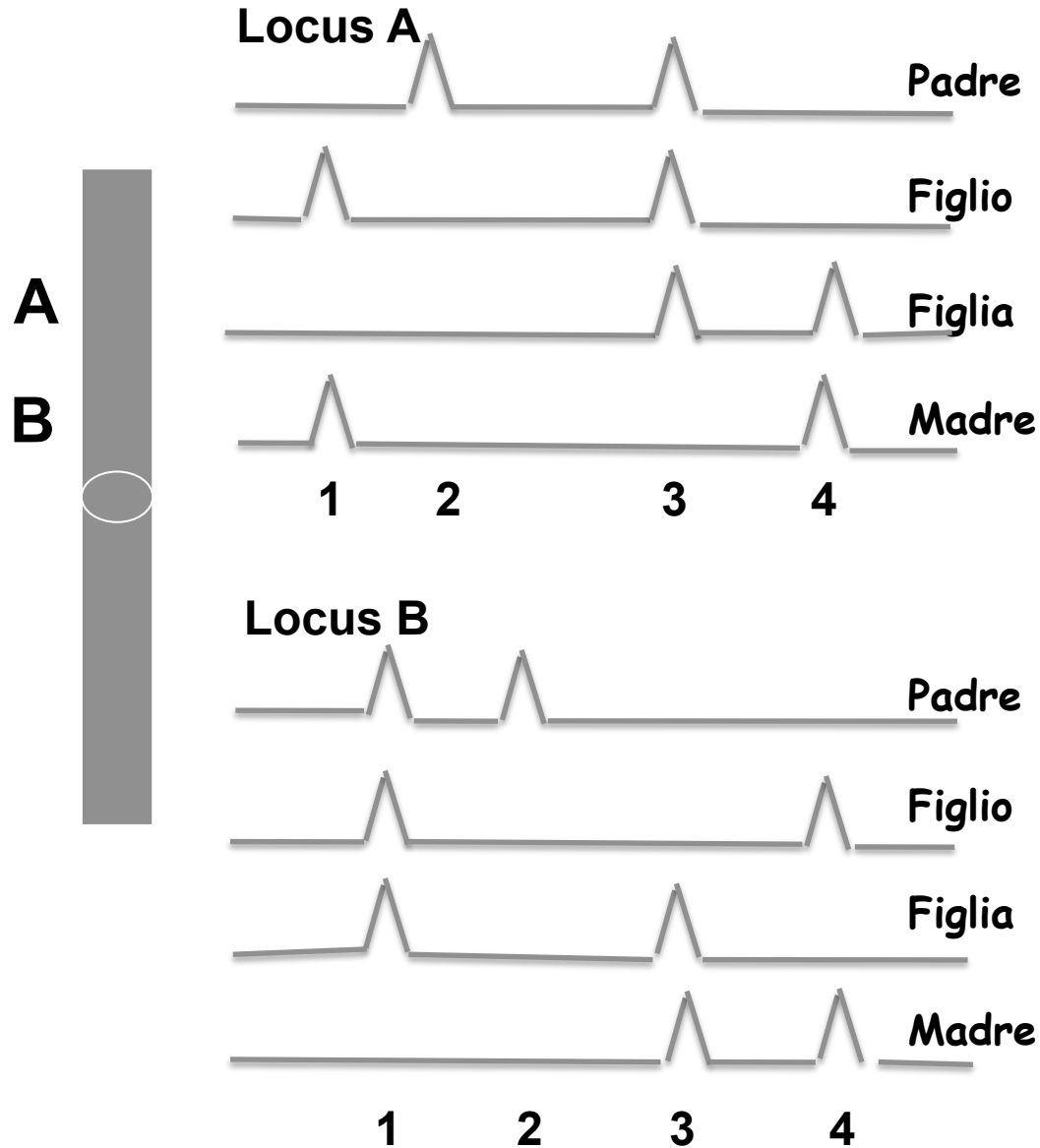
Digestione con  
Enzimi di restrizione  
E elettroforesi  
**RFLP**

Elettroforesi  
capillare  
**Microsatelliti**

# Applicazione dei polimorfismi

- Costruzione aplotipo (set di alleli che caratterizzano i cromosomi o porzioni cromosomiche)
- Analisi di linkage per localizzare geni-malattia (identificazione di geni in malattie mendeliane)
- Studi di associazione (malattie multifattoriali)
- Numerose applicazioni in diverse problematiche (esempi nelle diapositive seguenti)

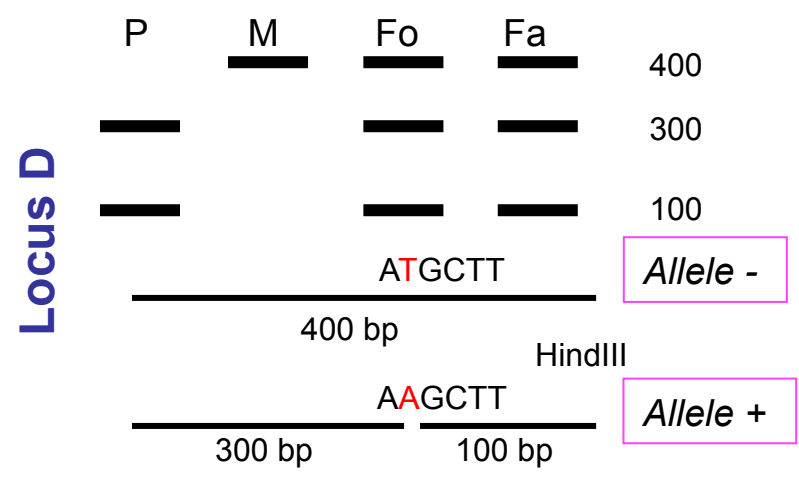
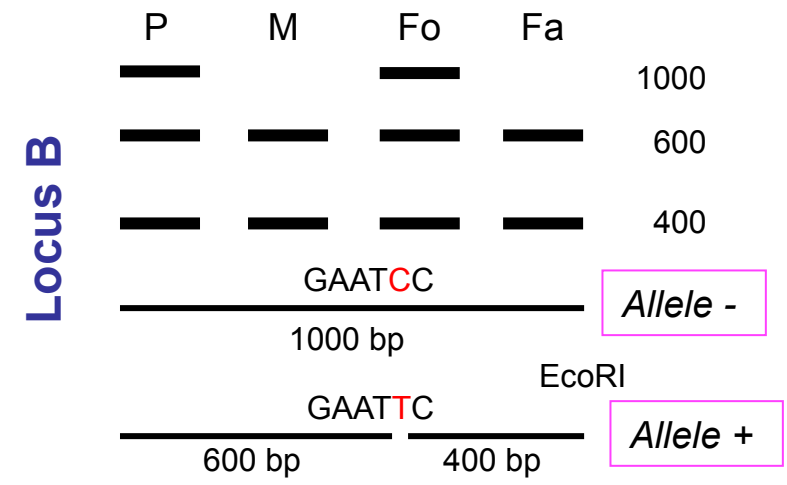
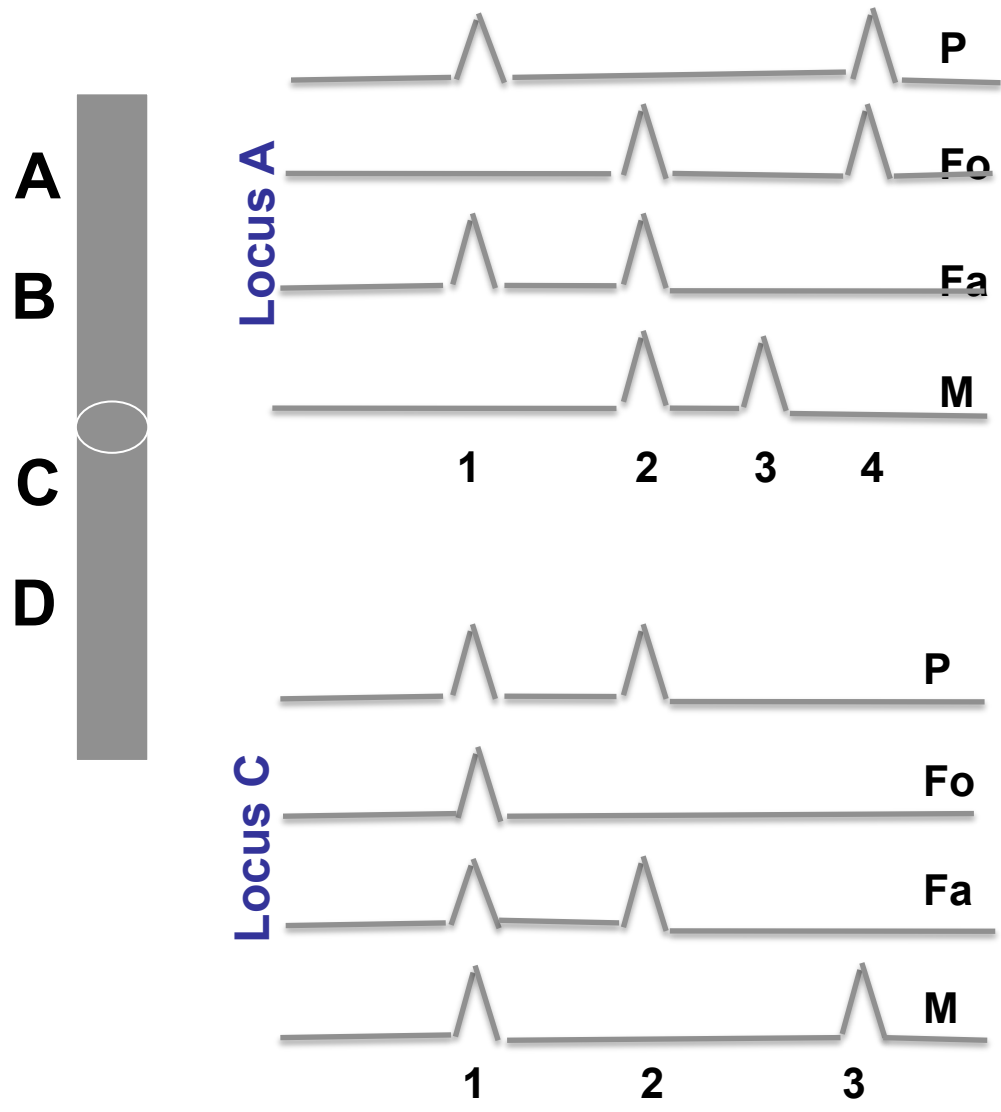
# Analisi di microsatelliti e costruzione dell'aplotipo



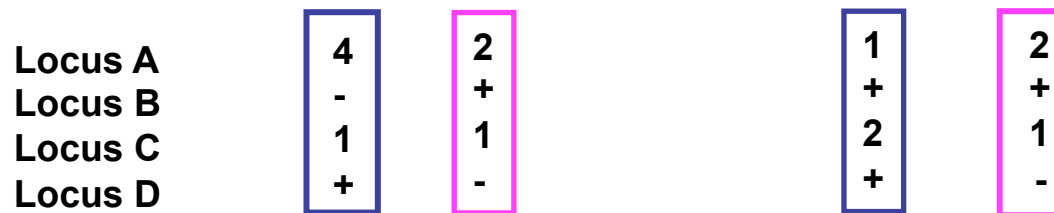
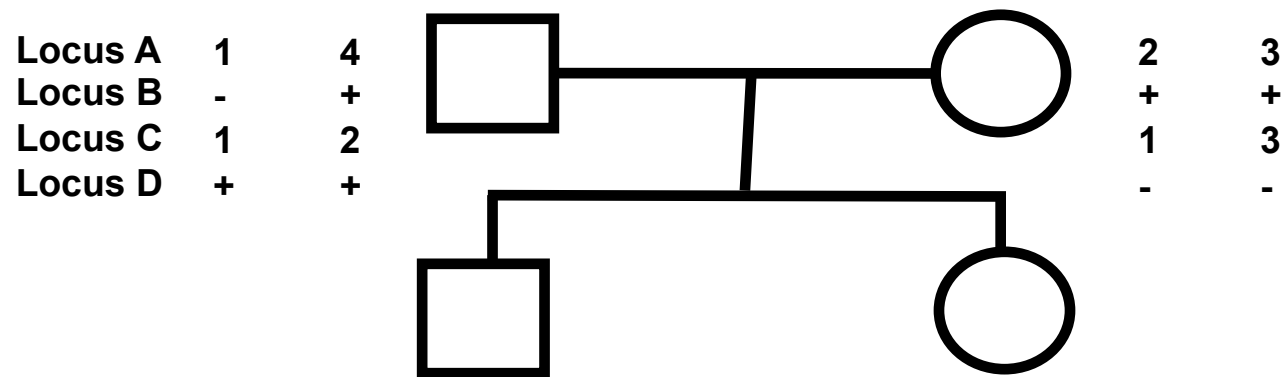
Aplotipo:  
assetto allelico su cromosomi



## Dati i seguenti 4 loci, costruire l'aplotipo (vedi soluzione diapo successiva)



Locus	P	M	Fo	Fa
A	1 4	2 3	2 4	1 2
B	+ -	+ +	+ -	+ +
C	1 2	1 3	1 1	1 2
D	+ +	- -	+ -	+ -



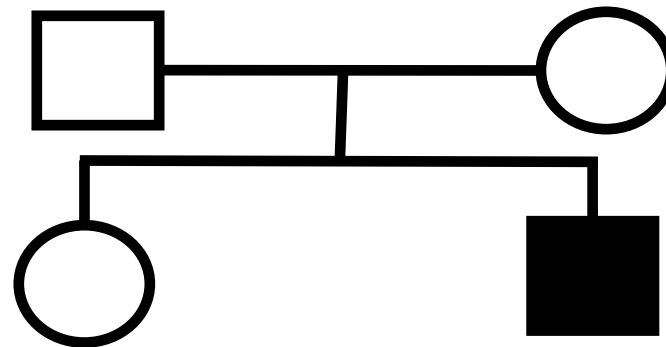
Aplotipo trasmesso dal padre

Aplotipo trasmesso dalla madre

# Utilizzo loci polimorfici: (1) identificazioni eventuali delezioni

Locus	P	M	Fa	Fo
A	133 135	131 133	131 135	131 133
B	150 160	154 156	150 154	160 160
C	244 250	246 252	250 252	244 244
D	179 183	185 195	179 185	183 183
E	228 234	224 234	224 234	224 228
F	120 127	114 120	120 120	120 127
G	157 169	153 167	157 167	167 169

**Apparente omozigosità**



Sospetto  
Sindrome di Williams (7q)

Marker A  
Marker B  
Marker C  
Marker D  
Marker E  
Marker F  
Marker G

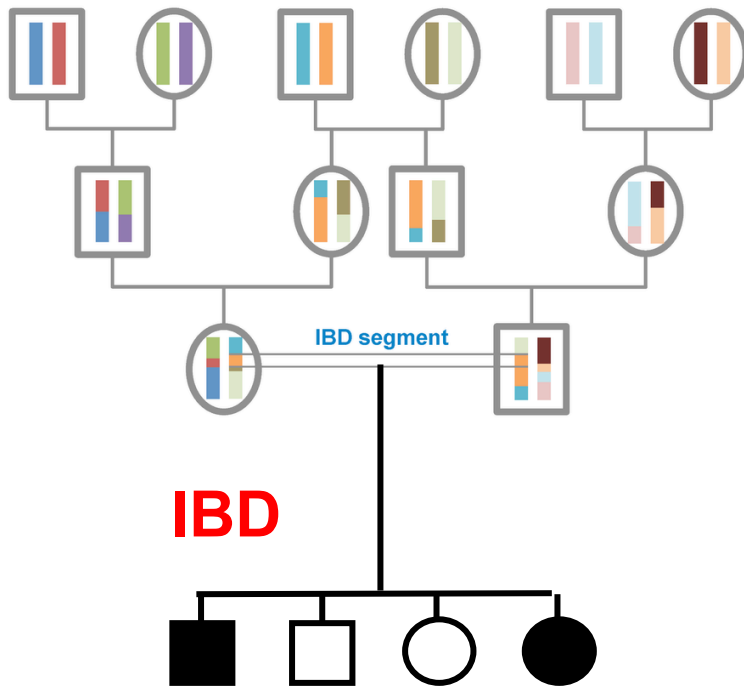
135	131	133	131
150	154	160	-
250	252	244	-
179	185	183	-
234	224	228	224
120	120	127	120
157	167	169	167

**Delezione  
Emizigosità  
ai loci B, C e D**

## Utilizzo loci polimorfici: (2) Determinazione dello stato di omozigosità:

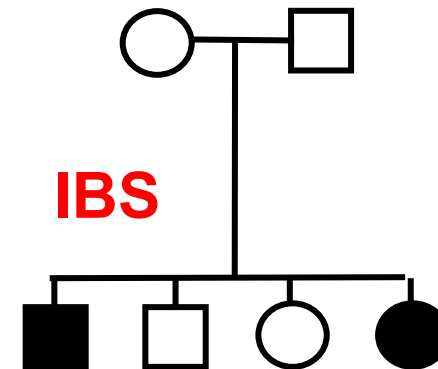
a) alleli identici per discendenza (IBD: *identical by descendant*; autozigosità)

b) Alleli identici per stato (IBS: *identical by state*)



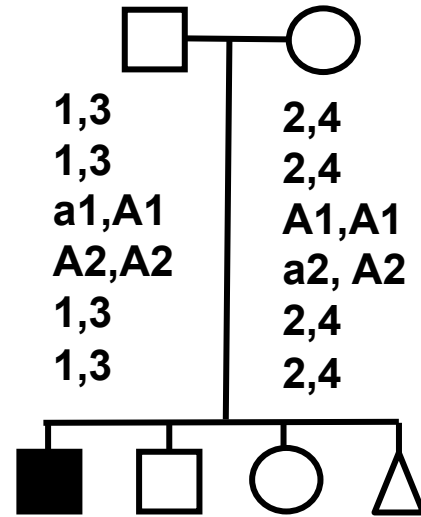
1	1	1	2	3	2	1	1
1	1	1	2	3	2	1	1
$a_1$	$a_1$	$a_1$	A	A	A	$a_1$	$a_1$
1	1	1	2	3	2	1	1
1	1	1	2	3	2	1	1

Locus 1  
Locus 2  
CFTR  
Locus 3  
Locus 4



1	2	1	3	3	4	1	2
1	2	1	3	3	4	1	2
$a_1$	$a_1$	$a_1$	A	A	A	$a_1$	$a_1$
1	2	1	3	3	4	1	2
1	2	1	3	3	4	1	2

# Utilizzo loci polimorfici: (3) Diagnosi indiretta



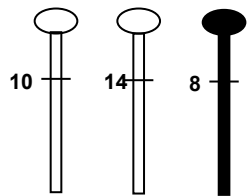
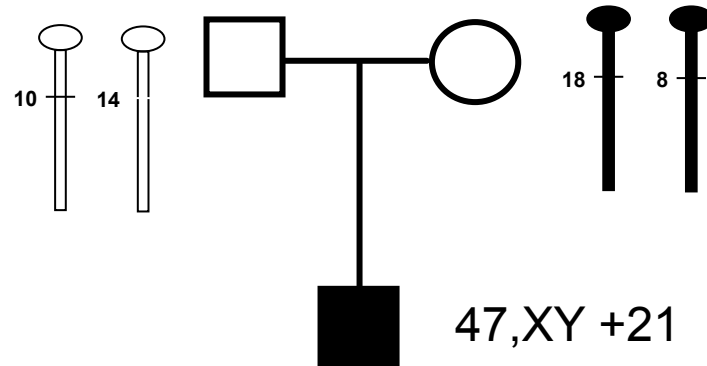
Gravidanza a rischio:  
Feto sano o affetto?

- 1) Analisi mutazione nota  $a_1$ 
  - a) Se presente > genotipo  $Aa_1$  oppure  $a_1a_2$
  - b) Se assente > genotipo  $Aa_2$  oppure  $AA$
  
- 2) Se presente, procedere con l'analisi dell'aplotipo paterno
  - a) **4242** > affetto  $a_1a_2$
  - b) **2424** > portatore  $Aa_2$

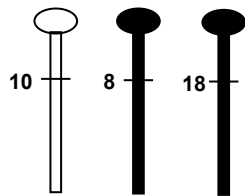
Locus 1	1	4	
Locus 2	3	2	
CFTR	<b>a1</b>	<b>A1</b>	<b>nota</b>
	<b>A2</b>	<b>a2</b>	<b>non nota</b>
Locus 3	3	4	
Locus 4	1	2	
	P	M	

# Utilizzo loci polimorfici: (4) Come determinare l'origine parentale della non-disgiunzione (ND) in I o II divisione meiotica (sindrome di Down)

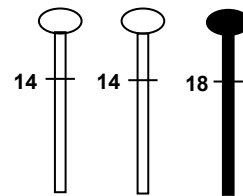
Esempio con un marcatore (microsatellite)



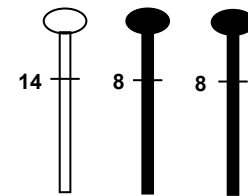
ND I  
paterna



ND I  
materna



ND II  
paterna



ND II  
materna

## Utilizzo loci polimorfici: (5) paternità (analisi di almeno 20 loci)

Locus	P	M	Fo	Fa
A (1p)	1 3	4 7	1 7	5 7
B (3q)	1 2	3 4	2 3	3 9
C (15p)	1 2	4 5	1 5	4 6

**Fa non figlia di P**