

LABORATORY 2, EXERCISE 2. MULTI-TRAIT MENDELIAN CROSSES

Purpose

The purpose of this exercise is to acquaint you with important dihybrid ratios and to provide practice with the application of genetic principles of Segregation and Assortment.

Exercise Protocol

Your assignment is:

1. Determine for your selected traits, whether their inheritance patterns follow Mendelian Segregation and Assortment patterns.
2. Using Chi-squared analysis, demonstrate that the F₂ offspring fit a **9:3:3:1** expected ratio.

Steps for this Exercise:

1. Launch the Fly Lab Colony (<https://cws.auburn.edu/FlyLab>) and open a simple Mendelian cross.
2. Select TWO (2) traits you wish to cross for your Parental generation:
TRAIT 1 - **TRAIT 2 –**
(It does not matter which parent you choose, however at this point, place both mutants in the same parent.)
3. Mate the parents choosing your final number of offspring.
4. Record the results on the data sheet for LABORATORY EXERCISE 2. Take a moment to think about your results.
 - a. Do the offspring look like either parent?
 - b. Are the numbers of males and females equal for each phenotype?
 - c. Are both the mutant and Wild phenotypes present?
 - d. Did any new phenotypes appear?
5. Mate the F₁ offspring to the corresponding MUTANT PARENTAL FLY and record the results on the LABORATORY EXERCISE 2 data sheet.
6. Using the Chi-Squared Tests at the bottom of the exercise, calculate the Chi-Squared for your results and enter that data on your data sheet as well. You will need to calculate three separate Chi-Squares.
7. Answer the Exercise 2 questions on the following pages.

GENETIC CROSS

LAB 2 EXERCISE 2 - DATA SHEET

NAME: _____

TRAIT 1:

TRAIT 2:

PHENOTYPES CROSSED: **Male** X **Female**

CROSS DIAGRAM

Parentals

Male

Female

Phenotype

x

Genotype

x

F1 Results

Male

Female

Phenotype

Genotype

Parents for F2

Male

Female

Phenotype

x

Genotype

x

F2 Results

Predicted Segregation Ratio (Trait 1) =

Predicted Segregation Ratio (Trait 2) =

phenotype

ratio

phenotype

ratio

1

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Chi-Squared Test Trait 1 (enter values from F2 Generation Page, combine sexes to one phenotype)

Phenotype	Observed	Expected	O - E	(O – E) ²	(O – E) ² / E
TOTAL					

Observed Chi – Squared Value

=

Degrees of Freedom (*df*)

=

Table Value (0.05)

=

Overall Conclusion

=

CONCLUSIONS:**Chi-Squared Test Trait 2 (enter values from F2 Generation Page, combine sexes to one phenotype)**

Phenotype	Observed	Expected	O - E	(O – E) ²	(O – E) ² / E
TOTAL					

Observed Chi – Squared Value

=

Degrees of Freedom (*df*)

=

Table Value (0.05)

=

Overall Conclusion

=

CONCLUSIONS:

Chi-Squared Test Combined Traits (enter values from F2 Generation Page, combine sexes to one phenotype)

Phenotype	Observed	Expected	O - E	(O – E) ²	(O – E) ² / E
TOTAL					

Observed Chi – Squared Value =

Degrees of Freedom (*df*) =

Table Value (0.05) =

Overall Conclusion =

CONCLUSIONS:

What is the name of the cross you performed in this exercise?

What final assortment ratio would you predict if in Step 2 above, you had crossed the F1 offspring and corresponding WILD PARENTAL fly? Diagram this cross below and include all genotypes and predicted phenotypic ratios.