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Name

Period

Date

Lesson

Lesson focus

SNP and PTC case

Key words and questions

Prepared details and student notes

Essential question
What is today's target?

Connect a single-nucleotide polymorphism to a phenotype using the PTC-tasting genotype dataset. Big idea: How does a single DNA letter change determine whether you taste bitterness or not?

My notes, examples, and questions

Key words
What vocabulary unlocks the lesson?

- allele
- genotype
- phenotype
- pedigree
- SNP
- carrier
- genetic counseling

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Must-know ideas
What should I understand by the end?

- A SNP is a single base-pair variation at a specific locus; millions exist across the human genome.
- The TAS2R38 gene has a common SNP that distinguishes tasters from non-tasters of phenylthiocarbamide (PTC).
- Homozygous dominant and heterozygous individuals express the taster phenotype; homozygous recessive individuals do not.

My notes, examples, and questions

Process notes
What happens during class?

- 0-8: Hook: PTC tasting demo or description; introduce SNP vocabulary
- 8-25: Open dataset; locate SNP column; record genotype and phenotype for three individuals
- 25-40: Mark each as homozygous or heterozygous; decide if tasting allele tracks phenotype
- 40-55: Write one evidence sentence; predict carrier status for one labeled person
- 55-70: Partner check: verify allele language and carrier logic
- 70-80: Submit table and prediction to course shell

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Steps and evidence What do I do and turn in?

- Open the teacher genotype dataset in the shell and find the SNP column for the PTC-tasting gene.
- For three people, write their genotype next to their phenotype and mark homozygous or heterozygous.
- Decide whether the tasting allele tracks with the trait and write one sentence of evidence.
- Predict the carrier status of one labeled person using allele language.
- Submit your genotype-to-phenotype table and prediction as your daily evidence.

Evidence: Data table - Genotype-to-phenotype table for three individuals (homozygous/heterozygous labeled) and a written carrier prediction.

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Checks for understanding How do I know I got it?

- You'll be able to read a SNP genotype and pair it to a phenotype.
- You'll be able to predict carrier status from genotype data.

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Lab or safety notes What must I handle carefully?

No special lab safety notes today. Follow normal classroom and digital-work expectations.

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Summary

Today's lesson focused on SNP and PTC case. The main target was: Connect a single-nucleotide polymorphism to a phenotype using the PTC-tasting genotype dataset. The evidence of learning is Data table: Genotype-to-phenotype table for three individuals (homozygous/heterozygous labeled) and a written carrier prediction.. In my own words, the most important idea from today is:

My summary

My final question or connection