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Homologs: Orthologs & Paralogs

\	Homologs:	genes that	are descende	ed from the same	gene.

Orthologs: homologous genes in related ______.

- Arise through .

- E.g., Human and _____ β-hemoglobin.

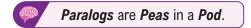


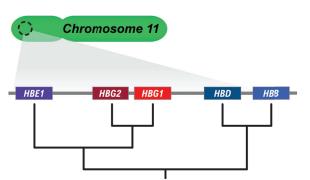
► Paralogs: homologous genes in the _____ genome.

- Arise through gene _____.

- Gene _____: group of paralogs in a genome.

- E.g., The 5 _____ in β-hemoglobin gene family.





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Which of the following statements about homologs are true?

- I) Phylogenetic trees of different taxa can be made using orthologs but not paralogs.
- II) A gene family is a group of paralogs within a genome.
- III) Orthologs are homologs that are found in different species.
- a) | & ||.

b) 1 & III.

c) II & III.

d) I, II, & III.

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The different genes that code for the photoreceptive proteins that function in the vertebrate eye are all believed to be paralogs. Which statement below is most consistent with this idea?

- a) The ability to detect light evolved repeatedly in different vertebrate lineages.
- b) Different photoreceptor genes are found in different species of vertebrates.
- c) Gene duplication events in photoreceptor genes have occurred whenever there has been a speciation event.
- d) The genes that code different photoreceptors all arose through gene duplication events.

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The Molecular Clock

- ◆ Number of mutations between _____ can estimate a date of divergence.
 - Why it works: ______ tend to enter populations at a relatively _____ rate.
 Especially true for _____ mutations.

 Time
- Calculating mutation rate: Compare DNA sequences of related species with known dates from the ______ record.

 Mutations

 Mutations

- Molecular clocks are only estimates:
 - Mutation rates can _____ in different lineages.
 - ► Can't calibrate beyond the time of good _____ record.
 - selection can influence the clock.

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What is one challenge to trying to date a speciation event using a molecular clock?

- a) If natural selection acts on a sequence, it can affect the rate that new mutations become fixed in a population.
- b) Because mutations are random, in some lineages, mutations do not occur.
- c) New mutations are more likely to occur in non-neutral genes.
- d) Molecular clocks can only be calibrated if the gene used has a known effect on fossils.