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Biology 101

Assessment #1

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### 1. PKU

#### 1.1 | 1

**A** mom: pp, dad: PP pP → P In any combination, there would not be two mutant PAH alleles. Thus, the child would have a 0% chance of having the disorder.

**B** child: pP, partner: pp

pp, (p1p1) → p pp, (p1p2) → p Pp, (Pp1) → P Pp, (Pp2) → P

50% chance of having PKU disorder

#### 1. A promoter mutation that reduces expression of PAH protein to 50% of normal levels.

1. Given that "classic PKU" results from near complete loss of PAH function, a 50% loss would most likely be classified as "mild PKU"

#### 2. A missense mutation that changes an amino acid in the PAH enzyme's active site, preventing any phenylalanine from binding there.

1. This would completely inhibit PAH function, leading to "classic PKU"

#### 3. A frameshift mutation very early in the coding sequence of the PAH gene.

1. A frameshift mutation early on would cause almost the entire sequence to be translated incorrectly. Most likely, this would lead to near complete loss of function, and thus, "classic PKU"

#### 4. A missense mutation that changes an amino acid in an allosteric site (an enzyme site that is not directly involved in breaking down phenylalanine), leading to a 40% reduction in the rate of enzyme activity.

1. 40% reduction is not near-complete, and thus would most likely be classified as "mild PKU"

## 1.2 | 2

**A** Most women have two X chromosomes, whereas most men have a X chromosome and a Y chromosome. Since hemophilia is located on the X chromosome, in men, it doesn't have a chance to not be dominated.

**B** For the woman to be healthy and have any hemophilia-associated alleles, they must have a singular recessive mutation.

Somatic cells, carrying 23 pairs of chromosomes, have all the genetic information which is all copied by mitosis. Thus, they will contain the hemophilia-associated allele.

Meiosis produces haploid cells with only 23 singular 2-chromatid chromosomes. Thus, only half would have the mutant x chromosome.

**C** woman: xX, man: XY

For their child to be male, the man has to pass down his Y, leaving options:

xY, XY.

Thus, there is a 50% chance of having hemophilia.

## 1.3 | 3

**A** P53 most likely has a loss of function mutation, making it less effective at doing its job of pausing cell cycle progression and initiating cell death. Thus, without these functions,