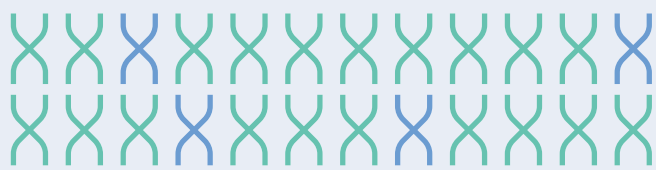
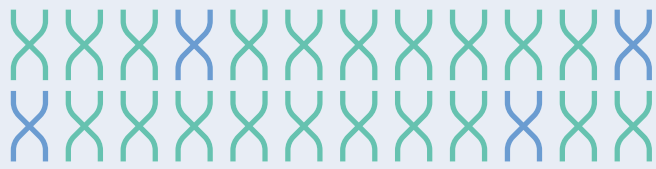


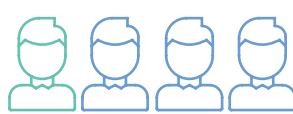
Fragile X syndrome



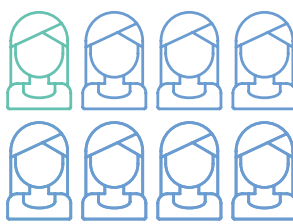
Fragile X is the most common inherited cause of autism and learning difficulties in the world.



It affects roughly



1/4,000 males



1/8,000 females

It is caused by a fault in the **FMR1 gene**

which is responsible for making a protein (FMRP) that is needed for normal brain development. With fragile X, the protein isn't made and the brain doesn't develop as it should.

1943

James Purdon Martin and Julia Bell first described fragile X syndrome.

1991

The FMR1 gene was discovered by Drs Ben Oostra, David Nelson and Stephen Warren. They named this mutation FRAXA.

Most common symptoms



Mild to severe intellectual disabilities



Attention deficit and hyperactivity



Anxiety



Speech delays



Sensory integration problems, such as: hypersensitivity to loud noises or bright lights



Epilepsy in 25% of cases

Treatment

There is currently no cure for fragile X, but treatments are available

Speech therapy

Behavioural therapy

Occupational therapy

Special education

Working closely with the **FRAXA Research Foundation**

We're combining

Patient insight

Our AI drug discovery expertise

To identify novel treatments and fast-track them towards patients in need.

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