

- Example: Flower colour of Snapdragons. Cross of  $C^rC^r$  (red) and  $C^wC^w$  (white)  $\rightarrow F_1 [C^rC^w \text{ (pink)}] \rightarrow F_2 [1 C^rC^r, 2 C^rC^w, 1 C^wC^w, 1:2:1 \text{ phenotypic ratio instead of 3:1}]$

#### d. Codominance

- 2 alleles encode different gene products
- Heterozygote expresses both alleles
- Example: Human MN blood group  $\rightarrow 1:2:1 \text{ phenotypic ratio instead of 3:1}$

Gametes	$L^M$	$L^N$
$L^M$	$L^M/L^M$ <b>M</b>	$L^M/L^N$ <b>MN</b>
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#### e. Multiple Alleles in a population

- NOT bi-allelic genes, 3 or more alleles
- Example: Human ABO blood system (3 alleles, 6 genotypes, 4 phenotypes)

#### f. Two genes affecting a single trait

- Example: Skin pigmentation in corn snakes; one gene determines orange pigment and the other determines black pigment and act *independently*

Mendelian $F_2$ ratio	Genotype	Phenotype
9/16	$O/B_-$	Camouflaged
3/16	$O/bb$	Orange
3/16	$oo/B_-$	Black
1/16	$oo/bb$	Albino



#### g. Epistasis

- Interaction between 2 genes in a pathway whereby one gene interferes with the phenotypic expression of other gene

