

Vocabulary List  
Creosote Bush Genetics: Do these genes make me look big?

Chromosome

A structure found in the nucleus of living cells that stores DNA.

Curator

A person who takes care of a collection of objects.

Gel electrophoresis

A process used to separate DNA fragments by size. Molecules are pulled through a gel by an electric current, and the resulting patterns can be identified.

Gene

A piece of DNA, determines characteristics of an individual.

Herbarium

An organized collection of dried plants for research and scientific uses.

Internode

The space between the bumps (nodes) on the branch of a plant.

Karyotype

A picture of all the DNA in a single cell organized into chromosomes.

Precipitation

Any moisture falling from the sky in the form of rain, snow, sleet, or hail.