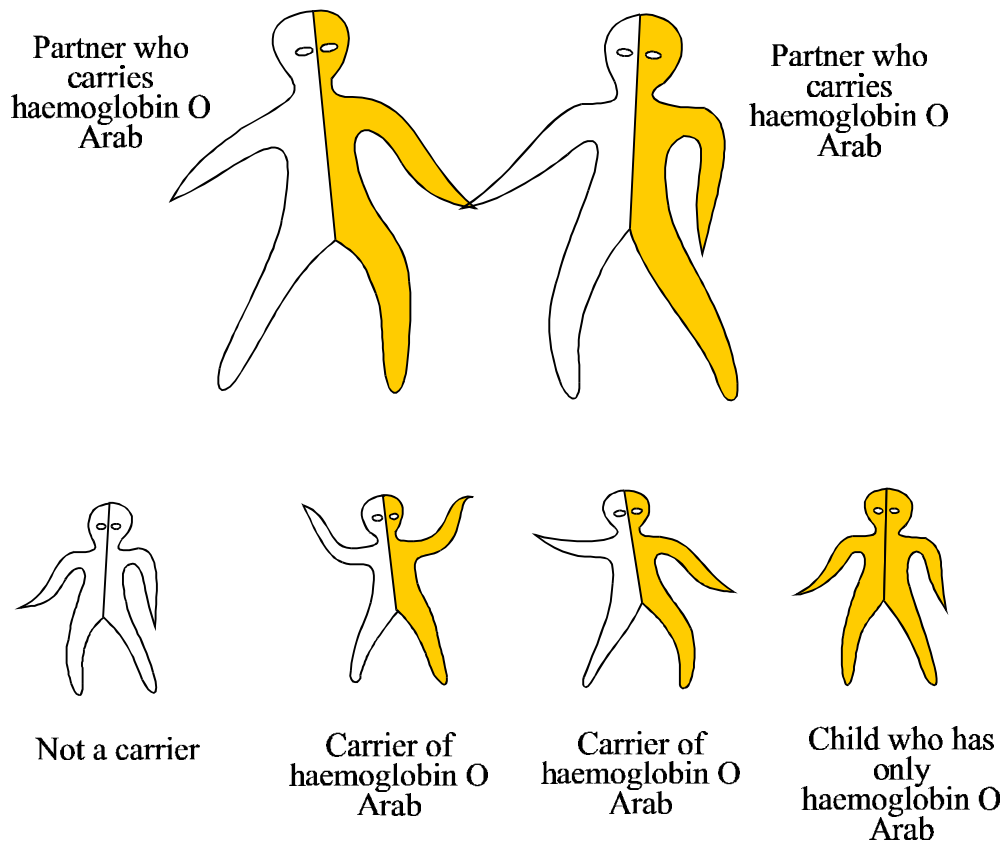


Implications for a Child when Both Partners carry Haemoglobin O Arab

There is no particular problem for this couple. This combination cannot cause a serious inherited anaemia in their children.



In each pregnancy, there are three possibilities

- The child will not carry any haemoglobin disorder.
- The child may carry haemoglobin O Arab. This is harmless.
- The child may inherit haemoglobin O Arab from both parents. This child would have only haemoglobin O Arab. This is harmless.

This couple has the same chance of a healthy family as other couples do.

When the children grow up, they should have blood test to see if they have inherited haemoglobin O Arab. If they have, their partner should have a test "for haemoglobin disorders". It is important to remember this for the future.

For more information about carrying haemoglobin disorders contact: