



COMPARISON CHART

Characteristic	Afro & Mixed-Race Hair	Straight / Wavy Hair
Curl pattern	Curly (C, S, O, Z shapes)	Straight–Wavy
Moisture distribution	Uneven → dryness	Even → retains moisture better
Shrinkage	High	Low
Density variations	Common	Less common
Fragility	High due to bends	Lower



Important: Afro hair is curly.

Refusing to name it as such is a legacy of colonial categorisation.

Using scientific, neutral terminology helps shift mindsets, create respect, and improve research and professional standards.