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Basic match interpretation (Y-STR, mtDNA)



DNA polymorphisms on the Y chromosome and mtDNA are haploid lineage markers

Y chromosome is transmitted from the father to all male children in absence of recombination
 mtDNA is transmitted from the mother to all children in absence of recombination
 STRs/SNPs on Y/mtDNA are not independent, but completely linked to form "haplotypes"

Allele frequencies of each STR/SNP cannot be multiplied as in RMP calculations of CODIS/ESS loci
Haplotype frequencies are estimated through direct count in haplotype databases





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DL method takes into account the distribution of observed haplotypes in metapopulations (populations grouped according to geographical, linguistic, demographic, previously known genetic data) and estimates haplotype frequencies according to a model of evolution by single-step mutation process.
Haplotypes with close molecular "neighbors" will have higher frequency estimates than outlier haplotypes.

Kappa method

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	Kappa estimates the haplotype frequencies using the proportion of singletons within a population/metapopulation sample.	

•Haplotype frequency is estimated as (n-k)/N, where k is the proportion of singletons (haplotypes that occur only once) in the N-sized dataset: k close to 0 would indicate that the database almost saturates all haplotypes present in the population and therefore a newly observed haplotype (n=1) will have frequency 1/N



Two options for augmented counting method

- 1: observed mtDNA haplotype added to haplotype count and database size
- 2: matching mtDNA haplotypes observed in both suspect and stain added to haplotype count and database size

Why worldwide populations databases (covering all human "metapopulations") are needed?

•Assuming a 1:1 sex ratio, a human population can be represented in microcosm by one man and one woman. This couple carry four copies of each autosome, three X chromosomes, two mtDNAs (but only the female one is passed to the next generation) and one Y chromosome. The effective population size of the Y chromosome and mtDNA is therefore expected to be onequarter of that of any autosome and one-third of that of the X chromosome.

•This makes haploid markers much more susceptible to genetic drift, which involves random changes in the frequency of haplotypes owing to sampling from one generation to the next and accelerates the differentiation between groups of Y chromosomes and mtDNAs in different populations.

•demographic events such as population bottlenecks and founder effect can create extremely uneven or peculiar distributions of Y-STR haplotypes







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Worldwide

Observed

Found 4 matches in 307,169 Haplotypes. This is approx. 1 match in 76,792 Haplotypes (95% Cl 🕢: 1 in 281,840 - 1 in 29,993 -).

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Approx. 1 match in 12,084 Haplotypes. Please note, this value is an average over the DL values of all net
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Kappa 🕗 Approx. 1 match in 70,548 Haplotypes

Eurasian - European - South-Eastern European (click to change)

Observed Found 4 matches in 8,207 Haplotypes. This is approx. 1 match in 2,052 Haplotypes (95% CI 😔: 1 in 7,529 – 1 in 802 •). Expected DL (Minimal) Approx. 1 match in 9,265 Haplotypes n+1/N+1 Approx. 1 match in 1,642 Haplotypes (95% CI Kappa Approx. 1 match in 2,230 Haplotypes



✓ Chios, Greece (observed)
 4/16 (Robino et al Forensic
 Sci Int 2004)

We owe it all to superstud Genghis

Warlord Khan has 16m male relatives alive now, says study

One in every 200 men alive today is a relative of Genghis Khan. An international team of geneticists has made the astonishing discovery that more than 16 million men in central Asia have the same male Y chromosome as the great Mongol leader.

It is a striking finding: a huge chunk of modern humanity can trace its origins to Khan's vigorous policy of claiming the most beautiful women captured during his merciless conquest.



Zerjal T et al. Am J Hum Genet 2003



Variation within lineages is only caused by mutation

• Average mutation rates for standard STRs are ~ 1 every 1000 meiosis

•For a 17 Y-STR panel, therefore, the chance to observe a mutation in a father/son pair is $<5\% \sim 17/1000$

•Mutation rates on single nucleotides in mtDNA control region is << 1/1000 so differentiation between close relatives is unlikely

•Recently a set of "rapidly mutating" Y-STR markers was described with mutation rate > 1/100, that increases the chance of discrimination between up to ~20% in father/son pairs (1 meiosis) and ~40% in sib pairs (2 meiosis)

