# Genetic variation at twentythree microsatellite loci in sixteen human populations 

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#### Abstract

We have analysed genetic variation at 23 microsatellite loci in a global sample of 16 ethnically and geographically diverse human populations. On the basis of their ancestral heritage and geographic locations, the studied populations can be divided into five major groups, viz. African, Caucasian, Asian Mongoloid, American Indian and Pacific Islander. With respect to the distribution of alleles at the 23 loci, large variability exists among the examined populations. However, with the exception of the American Indians and the Pacific Islanders, populations within a continental group show a greater degree of similarity. Phylogenetic analyses based on allele frequencies at the examined loci show that the first split of the present-day human populations had occurred between the Africans and all of the non-African populations, lending support to an African origin of modern human populations. Gene diversity analyses show that the coefficient of gene diversity estimated from the 23 loci is, in general, larger for populations that have remained isolated and probably of smaller effective sizes, such as the American Indians and the Pacific Islanders. These analyses also demonstrate that the component of total gene diversity, which is attributed to variation between groups of populations, is significantly larger than that among populations within each group. The empirical data presented in this work and their analyses reaffirm that evolutionary histories and the extent of genetic variation among human populations can be studied using microsatellite loci.


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## Introduction

In recent years a large volume of genetic data has been generated on a global scale in efforts to understand the

[^0]evolutionary histories and relationships of contemporary human populations. This has primarily been facilitated by the advent of PCR technology and molecular characterization of a large number of polymorphic loci in the human genome. Among these loci, the 'microsatellites' or 'short tandem repeats' (STR), characterized by length variation in tandem arrays of simple repeat sequences ranging from two to five nucleotides, are the most abundant in the genome.

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Their associated hypervariability has been the key in the success of the human genome project. Although these loci are subject to recombination and high mutation rates associated with a convergent nature of mutational process (Shriver et al. 1993; Weber and Wong 1993; Di Rienzo et al. 1994), recent studies have shown that microsatellites are also powerful tools in inferring evolutionary relationships and demographic histories of human populations (Bowcock et al. 1994; Deka et al. 1995a, 1995b, 1998; Jorde et al. 1995; Pérez-Lezaun et al. 1997; Shriver et al. 1997; Calafell et al. 1998; Kimmel et al.1998) and in the determination of parentage and relatedness of individuals (Chakraborty and Jin 1993). In this context it should be noted that the stepwise nature of mutations at microsatellite loci is amenable to rigorous mathematical and simulation studies for assessing evolutionary histories of populations (Kimmel and Chakraborty 1996; Kimmel et al. 1996; Shriver et al. 1997). In the study reported here we have analysed genetic variation at 23 microsatellite loci in 16 diverse human populations to examine the key issues of phylogenetic relationships of modern human populations and the extent of genetic diversity among these extant populations. In appendix we have provided the allele frequency data at the examined loci, which could be used by other investigators.

## Materials and methods

Population samples: Blood or DNA samples were collected from about 800 individuals representing 16 ethnically and geographically diverse human populations. On the basis of their ancestral heritage and geographical locations, these populations can be divided into five major groups: (i) Africans, represented in this study by two populations from West Africa, namely Nigerian and Benin, both belonging to the Hausa group of tribes from Nigeria, and a third population from Brazil, whom we have named Brazilian Black; (ii) Caucasians, represented by a German sample from northern Germany, unrelated parents of the CEPH (Centre d'Etude du Polymorphisme Humain) cohort, a sample of unrelated whites from Brazil, the Brazilian White, and a caste population from northern India, the Brahmin; (iii) Asian Mongoloids, represented by a Chinese sample of Han origin, a Japanese population from Osaka, and a tribal population from northeast India, the Kachari; (iv) American Indians, consisting of the Dogrib Indian from the Northwest Territories of Canada, the Pehuenche Indian from southern Chile, and the Cabecar from Costa Rica; (v) The Pacific Islanders, represented by two groups of Samoans, American and Western, drawn from villages distributed throughout

Table 1. Summary of the 23 microsatellite loci.

| Locus | Chromosomal <br> location | Repeat motif | CEPH reference genotype <br> a <br> a |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dinucleotide repeats |  |  | 133101 |

[^1]American and Western Samoa, and the New Guinea Highlander from the northern fringes of Papua New Guinea.

Laboratory analysis: A summary of the microsatellite loci is presented in table 1. Of the 23 loci, eight are dinucleotide repeats, six are trinucleotides, and nine are tetranucleotide repeats. Four (DM, SCA1, DRPLA and HD) of the trinucleotide repeats are associated with human diseases. The details of the PCR amplification and analysis of the dinucleotide repeats are given in Deka et al. (1995a). Eleven of the trinucleotide and tetranucleotide repeat loci were analysed in four standard multiplex PCR reactions: (i) CSF1R, TH01 and PLA2A; (ii) F13A1, CYP19 and LPL; (iii) D21S1446 and D21S1435; and (iv) D20S481, D20S473 and D20S604. The four disease-associated trinucleotide repeats, viz. DM, SCA1, DRPLA and HD, were amplified individually. Twentyfive to fifty nanograms of DNA was amplified in a total volume of $25 \mu 1$ reaction mixture containing standard PCR buffer ( 10 mM Tris- $\mathrm{HCl}, \mathrm{pH} 8.3$; $50 \mathrm{~mm} \mathrm{KCl} ; 1.5 \mathrm{mM} \mathrm{MgCl} 2$ ), $200 \mu \mathrm{M}$ each dNPT, one unit of Taq DNA polymerase, unlabelled ( $1 \mu \mathrm{M}$ ) and labelled primers. The forward primers were end-labelled using [ $\gamma^{33} \mathrm{P}$ ] ATP and polynucleotide kinase T4. The amplified products were separated on $6 \%$ denaturing polyacrylamide gels. Following electrophoresis, the gels were dried and allelic fragments were visualized by autoradiography. An M13 sequence ladder was run on each gel as a size standard. Finally, the repeat sizes were determined by sequencing a subset of alleles (CSF1R, TH01, PLA2A, F13A1, CYP19, LPL, D20S473) and from published sequences (DM, SCA1, DRPLA, HD) or inferring from Genbank sequences (FLT1, D13S118, D13S121, D13S71, D13S122, D13S193, D13S124, D21S1435, D20S481 and D20S604). Alleles at these loci have been designated by the size (in base pairs) of their PCR product and their corresponding repeat numbers (see table 1 and appendix). Fragment sizes at the D13S197 (a dinucleotide repeat) and D21S1446 (a tetranucleotide repeat) loci do not always correspond to two-bp and four-bp increments, respectively. Therefore, alleles at these two loci could not be assigned repeat numbers.

Data analysis: As all the examined loci are autosomal and detect codominant alleles, allele frequencies were calculated by the gene counting method (Li 1976). The apportionment of genetic variability in the total data set was done by the method of Chakraborty (1980), following the concept of gene diversity of Nei (1973). Genetic distances were estimated by using the modified Cavalli-Sforza distance measure ( $D_{\mathrm{A}}$, Nei et al. 1983) and the stepwise-weighted $D_{\text {SW }}$ measure (Shriver et al. 1995). $D_{\text {SW }}$ is essentially a modification of Nei's minimum distance measure, which takes into account both allele frequency differences as well as allele size differences. Neighbour-joining trees (Saitou and Nei 1987) were constructed on the basis of both these distance measures, and the degree of support of the
branches was evaluated by a bootstrap analysis based on 1000 replications.

## Results

## Allelic distributions

Allele frequencies at the 23 microsatellite loci in the 16 studied populations are presented in the appendix. The number of chromosomes examined from each population is shown in the last row for each locus. For example, 220 chromosomes from the Nigerian population were analysed at the D13S71 locus. Although a comprehensive locus by locus discussion of the allelic distributions is not the objective of this report, a few salient features are noteworthy. The spectrum of allelic distributions across the populations is quite broad and significant interpopulation variation at these loci is often observed. The tetranucleotide repeat loci TH01 and CSF1R are two illustrative examples of contrasting patterns of such variations. At the TH01 locus, the allele frequency distributions are quite varied across populations. However, a distinctive feature emerges when observations are made with respect to the groupings of the major populations. In general, populations within a major group show a greater degree of similarity. For example, repeat 9 is the predominant allele in every Asian Mongoloid population with frequencies of $40-52 \%$, while this allele is present at considerably lower frequencies in all of the African and the Caucasian populations with a range between 5 and $20 \%$. On the other hand, repeat 9.3 is the predominant allele among the Caucasians ( $35-40 \%$ ), with the exception of the Brahmin population from India (13\%). This allele is present at much lower frequencies in all of the Asian Mongoloid and African populations (1-13\%). In contrast, at the CSF1R locus allele frequencies are more uniform across populations irrespective of their geographic or ethnic ancestry. There are three major alleles (repeats 10,11 and 12) in all populations.

Clustering of populations within a major group as noted above, however, is not evident among populations classified under the major groups of American Indians and Pacific Islanders. For instance, at the TH01 locus again, repeat 6 is the predominant allele ( $68 \%$ ) among the Cabecar. In contrast, its frequency is $34 \%$ among the Pehuenche Indians, and among the Dogribs it is rare, with a frequency of just about 2\%. The Pacific Island populations, the New Guinea Highlanders and the two Samoan groups show significantly different allele frequencies at all loci. It should also be noted that the New Guinea Highlanders and the Cabecars from Costa Rica are also characterized by presence of a few high-frequency alleles at several loci. For example, among the New Guinea Highlander the frequency of the predominant allele at five loci (PLA2A, CYP19, F13A1, D20S473 and HD) is $\geq 80 \%$. Similarly, the Cabecars have such high-frequency ( $\geq 80 \%$ ) alleles at four loci (FLT1, D13S197, D20S473 and DM). In fact, they are

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monomorphic at the FLT1 locus. In general, however, the FLT1 locus shows a reduced level of variation in most populations (see discussion section).

As noted above, four of the studied loci have been implicated in human diseases, viz. myotonic dystrophy (DM), spino-cerebellar ataxia type 1 (SCA1), dentatorubral pallidoluysian atrophy (DRPLA) and Huntington disease (HD). The trinucleotide repeats associated with these loci are normally polymorphic in human populations. They result in disease when the repeat length exceeds a certain threshold. In our sample of populations, we have not observed any allele in the disease-causing range. Therefore the distribution of alleles is reflective of normal polymorphism at these loci in human populations. In general, we have observed a higher level of genetic variation at these four loci than at the other microsatellites. The number of alleles across the nondisease associated loci (with the exception of D13S197, which has 30 different alleles) ranges between 9 and 16 (average $11.2 \pm 0.64$ ). At the four disease-associated loci, this range is 19 to 28 (average $23.0 \pm 2.12$ ). As discussed below, this observation is also apparent in the analysis of gene diversity.

## Evolutionary relationships

To assess the evolutionary relationships of the 16 populations, using the allele frequency data at the 23 loci we have constructed a neighbour-joining tree (Saitou and Nei 1987) based on the $D_{\mathrm{A}}$ distance measure (Nei et al. 1983). Although not proportional to evolutionary time, $D_{\mathrm{A}}$ is an efficient and robust measure suitable for the reconstruction of the correct phylogenetic tree using loci evolving via either infinite-allele or stepwise mutational mechanisms (Takezaki and Nei 1996; Rao et al. 1997). The neighbourjoining method is used for dendrogram construction because, unlike the UPGMA method, it does not assume that the rate of evolution in human populations is constant (Livshits and Nei 1990). The tree shown in figure 1a has several interesting features. First, populations within a major group cluster together. For example, the Asian populations (with the exception of the North Indian Brahmins) together with the American Indians form one cluster, so do the Caucasians and the African populations. Second, as evident from the bootstrap values, the statistical supports for these clusters are strong. Third, when rooted by the mid-point of the longest branch, the tree shows that the first separation of human populations occurred between the Africans and all the other, non-African populations.

Another way of rooting phylogenetic trees is by using an out-group population. Nei and Takezaki (1996) have shown that the root can be determined by using the chimpanzee as an out-group population. We have analysed an unrelated sample of chimpanzees at the same microsatellite loci [data not shown; allele frequencies at a subset of loci are presented elsewhere (Deka et al. 1994, 1995a)]. Interestingly, the chimpanzees are polymorphic at all but one locus,


Figure 1. Phylogenetic trees of 14 human populations based on 23 microsatellite loci: (a) neighbour-joining tree based on $D_{\mathrm{A}}$ distance; (b) neighbour-joining tree based on $D_{A}$ distance with chimpanzees as the out-group population; (c) neighbour-joining tree based on $D_{\text {SW }}$ distance with chimpanzees as the out-group population. Bootstrap values, indicating the degree of support for each branch point, are shown as the percentage of all replicates consistent with each branch point.
and at several loci the level of polymorphism is comparable to that of humans in terms of both size and number of alleles. The neighbour-joining tree based on the $D_{\mathrm{A}}$ distance measure, shown in figure 1 b , with the chimpanzees as the out-group population, places the root between the African populations as a whole and all the other non-African populations. This placement of the root reaffirms the divergence of the African populations before the formation of the other populations. The bootstrap value of $99 \%$ shows very strong statistical support that all the non-African populations cluster together.

Although the $D_{\mathrm{A}}$ trees provide accurate topologies, they result in longer branch lengths for recently diverged

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populations and shorter branch lengths for populations that diverged earlier. This is because $D_{\mathrm{A}}$ is not proportional to evolutionary time. On the other hand, the stepwise-weighted genetic distance $D_{\text {SW }}$ is linear with respect to time, and therefore provides better estimates of branch lengths (Shriver et al. 1995). The $D_{\text {SW }}$ tree shown in figure 1c also validates the hypothesis of the African ancestry of modern human populations. Branch lengths of the recently diverged populations are also relatively shorter in this tree. There are, however, some apparent inconsistencies in the topologies; for example, the location of the American Indians in the tree does not agree with their known phylogenetic position.

The positions of the two Asian Indian populations, viz. the Brahmin and the Kachari, in the phylogenetic trees are worth noting. The North Indian Brahmins belong to a cluster together with three other geographically diverse Caucasian populations (Brazilian White, German, unrelated CEPH parents), showing their affinity with the Caucasian gene pool. The Kachari, a distinct Mongoloid group from northeast India, on the other hand, form a cluster with the other Asian (Chinese and Japanese) and the Amerindian populations, reaffirming their position within the Mongoloid gene pool.

A point to be noted in the context of the above phylogenetic analyses is that the Papua New Guinea Highlanders and the Cabecars have been excluded from the dendrograms. Inclusion of these two populations substantially distorted the known and expected relationships of populations in the trees (not shown). This is due primarily to the allelic distributions in these two populations, which are markedly different from those observed in the remaining populations. We have noted that they have several high-frequency alleles, a possible signature of past population bottleneck or effect of drift operating on these populations. Relative isolation of the New Guinea Highlanders reflected in reduced variability has been observed earlier (Nei and Roychoudhury 1993; Deka et al. 1995a). Similarly, the Amerindian Cabecar population of Costa Rica has a very reduced population size (Barrantes et al. 1990).

## Gene diversity analysis

The results of the gene diversity analysis are summarized in table 2 , in which the total gene diversity $\left(H_{\mathrm{T}}\right)$ is decomposed into gene diversity between groups ( $G_{g}$; between Caucasians, Africans, Asians, American Indians and Pacific Islanders) and that between populations within each group $\left(G_{\mathrm{p}(\mathrm{g})}\right)$. As the groups of populations show somewhat different within-group gene diversity ( $H_{\mathrm{G}}$ ), such analyses were also repeated for each group of populations separately to estimate the within population gene diversity $\left(H_{P}\right)$ and the coefficient of gene diversity between populations within groups $\left(G_{p(g)}\right)$. Further, to examine whether the pattern of gene diversity depends on the repeat motifs of loci, in addition to the combined analyses of the 23 loci computations were also done for the eight dinucleotide, two trinucleotide
(without any disease implications), nine tetranucleotide and four disease-causing trinucleotide loci separately.

Overall, at a global level the total diversity $\left(H_{\mathrm{T}}\right)$ for the pooled loci is $74.9 \%$, of which $90.6 \%$ is attributable to genetic variation within populations (resulting in $H_{P}=$ $67.9 \%$ ). This is in agreement with observations that, of the total diversity, the maximum genetic variation is accounted for by interindividual differences within a population (Deka et al. 1995b; Barbujani et al. 1997). For the pooled data, the coefficient of gene diversity between groups of populations ( $G_{\mathrm{g}}=5.3 \%$ ) is larger than that among populations within groups ( $G_{\mathrm{p}(\mathrm{g})}=4.1 \%$ ). However, the latter is not uniform among all groups of populations. The smaller and isolated populations, such as the American Indians and the Pacific Islanders, show a somewhat smaller within-population $\left(H_{P}\right)$ gene diversity and correspondingly a larger gene diversity between populations $(9.5 \%$ and $9.1 \%$, respectively, as opposed to a $G_{p(g)}$ of $1.5 \%$ to $1.8 \%$ for the Caucasians, Africans and Asians). This relationship between withinpopulation heterozygosity and gene diversity follows the predictions of the mutation-drift model of microsatellite variation (Jin and Chakraborty 1995).

In general, the patterns of decomposition of gene diversity are similar for all repeat motifs, as seen from the analysis of dinucleotide, trinucleotide, tetranucleotide, and diseasecausing trinucleotide loci separately. While the repeat motif types apparently do not show significantly different patterns (at $5 \%$ level of significance), the disease-causing trinucleotides show a somewhat larger level of within-population gene diversity ( $75 \%$ ) compared with the other loci ( $62.9 \%$ to $67.8 \%$ ). This is consistent with the hypothesis that even within the normal allele size ranges the disease-causing trinucleotides have a higher mutation rate than the other groups of loci (Chakraborty et al. 1997).

Since the loci grouped by their repeat motif types did not show any detectably different patterns of gene diversity, the results of interlocus variation of gene diversity analyses for individual loci are summarized in figures 2 and 3. In figure 2, we show the distributions of the coefficient of gene diversity between populations within groups ( $G_{\mathrm{p}(\mathrm{g})}$ in per cent) in five panels (a through e) for the five groups. Of course, these distributions are dependent on the choice of loci as well as populations. The three larger groups of populations (Caucasians, Africans and Asian Mongoloids) show a narrow range of variation of gene diversity between populations ( $G_{\mathrm{p}(\mathrm{g})}$ not exceeding $4 \%$ for any locus), whereas for the two isolated and smaller groups (American Indians and Pacific Islanders) the distributions are quite dispersed [ $G_{\mathrm{p}(\mathrm{g})}$ varied from $1.7 \%$ to $22.4 \%$ for the American Indians and from $0.5 \%$ to $31.4 \%$ for the Pacific Islanders]. In part, as discussed later, these differences are contributed by our sampling of populations. Nevertheless, given the average gene diversity between populations ( $1.5 \%$ for the Africans to $9.5 \%$ for the American Indians), the shapes of the distributions are consistent with that expected under a mutationdrift model (Nei and Chakravarti 1977). Incidentally, the

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Table 2. Apportionment of genetic variation in 16 populations based on 23 microsatellite loci.

| Group of populations and locus type | Heterozygosity (\%) $\pm$ SE |  |  | Gene diversity (\%) $\pm$ SE |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total ( $H_{T}$ ) | Within groups $\left(H_{G}\right)$ | Within population ( $H_{P}$ ) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Among } \\ & \text { groups }\left(G_{g}\right) \end{aligned}$ | Among populations within group ( $G_{\mathrm{p}(\mathrm{g})}$ ) |
| Caucasians (four populations) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Di- | - | $69.06 \pm 6.23$ | $67.86 \pm 6.08$ | - | $1.72 \pm 0.31$ |
| Tri- | - | $63.95 \pm 5.83$ | $65.24 \pm 5.90$ | - | $1.06 \pm 0.20$ |
| Tetra- | - | $74.46 \pm 1.47$ | $73.43 \pm 1.39$ | - | $1.79 \pm 0.24$ |
| Disease-associated | - | $78.18 \pm 1.47$ | $77.43 \pm 1.45$ | - | $0.97 \pm 0.08$ |
| Pooled | - | $72.61 \pm 2.34$ | $71.48 \pm 2.29$ | - | $1.55 \pm 0.16$ |
| Africans (three populations) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Di- | - | $79.40 \pm 1.69$ | $78.26 \pm 1.51$ | - | $1.43 \pm 0.32$ |
| Tri- | - | $78.58 \pm 1.27$ | $77.20 \pm 1.61$ | - | $1.76 \pm 0.45$ |
| Tetra- | - | $77.03 \pm 2.32$ | $75.85 \pm 2.26$ | - | $1.53 \pm 0.16$ |
| Disease-associated | - | $84.19 \pm 0.72$ | $82.95 \pm 0.98$ | - | $1.45 \pm 0.49$ |
| Pooled | - | $79.23 \pm 1.18$ | $78.04 \pm 1.15$ | - | $1.50 \pm 0.15$ |
| Asians (three populations) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Di- | - | $69.65 \pm 2.35$ | $68.39 \pm 2.25$ | - | $1.81 \pm 0.30$ |
| Tri- | - | $70.57 \pm 9.16$ | $69.37 \pm 9.23$ | - | $1.69 \pm 0.32$ |
| Tetra- | - | $68.96 \pm 2.29$ | $67.84 \pm 2.20$ | - | $1.52 \pm 0.20$ |
| Disease-associated | - | $76.43 \pm 5.95$ | $74.68 \pm 6.04$ | - | $2.28 \pm 0.36$ |
| Pooled | - | $70.64 \pm 1.69$ | $69.35 \pm 1.65$ | - | $1.82 \pm 0.14$ |
| American Indians (three populations) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Di- | - | $55.73 \pm 8.19$ | $50.35 \pm 7.28$ | - | $9.66 \pm 1.79$ |
| Tri- | - | $51.93 \pm 22.91$ | $49.12 \pm 21.68$ | - | $5.41 \pm 0.02$ |
| Tetra- | - | $69.06 \pm 3.11$ | $63.04 \pm 2.89$ | - | $8.71 \pm 1.70$ |
| Disease-associated | - | $72.66 \pm 3.14$ | $63.56 \pm 5.73$ | - | $12.53 \pm 4.23$ |
| Pooled | - | $63.56 \pm 3.71$ | $57.51 \pm 3.41$ | - | $9.52 \pm 1.20$ |
| Pacific Islander (three populations) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Di- | - | $65.81 \pm 6.11$ | $62.68 \pm 5.54$ | - | $4.76 \pm 1.23$ |
| Tri- | - | $57.38 \pm 15.25$ | $52.69 \pm 12.41$ | - | $6.17 \pm 2.79$ |
| Tetra- | - | $65.49 \pm 3.51$ | $57.09 \pm 4.22$ | - | $12.82 \pm 3.72$ |
| Disease-associated | - | $83.61 \pm 2.57$ | $75.49 \pm 6.02$ | - | $9.72 \pm 4.44$ |
| Pooled | - | $68.05 \pm 3.09$ | $61.85 \pm 3.10$ | - | $9.10 \pm 1.78$ |
| Total (16 populations) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Di- | $72.19 \pm 4.24$ | $67.32 \pm 4.24$ | $65.66 \pm 4.13$ | $5.81 \pm 0.74$ | $3.24 \pm 0.55$ |
| Tri- | $69.44 \pm 10.80$ | $64.50 \pm 11.30$ | $62.88 \pm 9.90$ | $6.47 \pm 0.67$ | $2.98 \pm 0.50$ |
| Tetra- | $74.61 \pm 2.05$ | $71.27 \pm 2.04$ | $67.82 \pm 1.95$ | $4.45 \pm 0.98$ | $4.64 \pm 0.79$ |
| Disease-associated | $83.67 \pm 1.07$ | $78.99 \pm 1.30$ | $74.99 \pm 1.71$ | $5.63 \pm 0.92$ | $4.75 \pm 0.71$ |
| Pooled | $74.90 \pm 1.96$ | $70.65 \pm 2.00$ | $67.89 \pm 1.66$ | $5.30 \pm 0.46$ | $4.06 \pm 0.40$ |

largest gene diversity in all population groups was observed at the dinucleotide repeat locus FLT1 located at the human fms-related tyrosine kinase gene (Polymeropoulos et al. 1991). This locus has the lowest within-population diversity, accompanied by the largest gene diversity across populations. Most populations have a single predominant allele at this locus. Frequency of the 15 -repeat allele exceeds $80 \%$ in nine populations (see appendix). While a balancing selection can explain such observations, the effect of low mutation rate at this locus and/or more restricted allele size constraints cannot be distinguished from such data.

To further examine the differences of levels of gene diversity among groups of populations and those between populations within groups, we present in figure 3 the interlocus variation of these two coefficients of gene diversity ( $G_{\mathrm{g}}$ in panel a and $G_{\mathrm{p}(\mathrm{g})}$ in panel b). As shown
in table 2, the average coefficient of gene diversity between groups of populations ( $5.3 \%$ ) is larger than that between populations within groups (4.1\%), but this difference is statistically not significant. However, a comparison of the interlocus distribution of $G_{\mathrm{g}}$ (panel a) with that of $G_{\mathrm{p}(\mathrm{g})}$ (panel b) shows that the between-group variation is indeed significantly larger than variation among populations within the groups. The Wilcoxon's signed rank test for paired samples (Sokal and Rohlf 1981) shows that the distribution in panel a is significantly shifted towards the right compared to the one shown in panel $b$ at the level $P=0.0149$. In other words, the 23 loci together show that the genetic variation among populations within the five major groups is statistically smaller than the variation among the groups. It is interesting, however, that some loci have a tendency to produce smaller levels of gene diversity


Figure 2. Interlocus distribution of coefficient of gene diversity among populations ( $G_{\mathrm{P}(\mathrm{g})}$ in per cent) within five major human population groups (shown separately in panels a-e) based on 23 microsatellite loci.
across populations, as reflected in these computations. Whether or not this is due to homogenization of populations by forward-backward mutations of high rate, or due to more stringent allele size constraints at such loci, cannot be assessed from this analysis, and will be a subject for future study.

## Discussion and conclusion

The goal of this study is to analyse the extent of genetic variation at a number of microsatellite loci in a sample of diverse human populations worldwide and to reassess the relationships of these populations in terms of the genetic affinity and diversity among them. With respect to the distribution of alleles at the 23 studied loci, although large variability exists among the examined populations, in general, populations within a continental group tend to show a higher degree of similarity. However, the American Indians and the Pacific Island populations show exceptions to this general observation. Historically it is known that the


Figure 3. Interlocus distribution of coefficient of gene diversity in 16 populations: (a) gene diversity among the major groups of populations ( $G_{\mathrm{g}}$ ); (b) gene diversity among populations within the major population groups ( $G_{\mathrm{p}(\mathrm{g})}$ ).

American Indians and the Pacific Islanders are isolated populations with smaller effective sizes. It is reasonable to speculate that population bottlenecks and genetic drift have been important factors in generating dramatic allele frequency differences in these populations and in extreme cases have resulted in near fixation of particular alleles in some populations, such as the New Guinea Highlander and the Cabecar. Furthermore, the three American Indian populations belong to different ethnic and linguistic stocks; the Dogrib are members of the Na -Dene groups, the Pehuenche Indians are Amerinds, and the Cabecars are linguistically Chibcha speakers. Similarly, the Pacific Island Samoans and New Guinea Highlanders are distinctly different populations except for being located in closer geographic proximity. As discussed below, the impact of such nonrandom sampling is also reflected in the extent of gene diversities among populations.

Phylogenetic analyses based on allele frequencies at 23 microsatellite loci show that the populations of African descent are the most diverse. We have employed two different genetic distance measures to reconstruct the phylogenetic

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relationships of the examined populations. In spite of their inherent limitations, both the $D_{\mathrm{A}}$ and the $D_{\text {SW }}$ trees indicate that the first separation of present-day humans took place between the Africans and all of the non-African populations. It adds to the already existent genetic evidence lending support to an African origin of all modern human populations (e.g. Cann et al. 1987; Bowcock et al. 1994; Nei 1995; Tishkoff et al. 1996; Shriver et al. 1997).

The gene diversity analyses show that the coefficient of gene diversity estimated from the 23 microsatellite loci is, in general, larger for populations that have remained isolated and probably small (such as the American Indians and Pacific Islanders; see table 2), among which the interlocus variation of gene diversity is also larger (figure 2). Further, the 23 loci in aggregate also show that the component of total gene diversity that can be ascribed to variation between groups of populations is significantly larger than that among populations within each major group. However, the absolute values of coefficient of gene diversity are to be interpreted with some caution, as these are dependent on the choice of loci as well as populations. Gene diversities between populations within the smaller groups (American Indians and Pacific Islanders) are probably overestimated because of their nonrandom sampling (noted above). Nevertheless, the inverse relationship between within-population gene diversity ( $H_{P}$ ) and the coefficient of gene diversity between populations within groups $\left(G_{\mathrm{p}(\mathrm{g})}\right)$, namely that $G_{\mathrm{p}(\mathrm{g})}$ is smaller as $H_{\mathrm{P}}$ becomes larger, is consistent with the mutation-drift expectations of gene diversity under the stepwise mutation model (Jin and Chakraborty 1995; Kimmel et al. 1996).

In the context of the objectives of this study, a brief discussion on the selection of loci should also be in place. In particular, all of the eight dinucleotide repeat loci are located on human chromosome 13 , and therefore they are a nonrandom selection of dinucleotide repeats in the genome. We should like to note that originally these eight loci were selected from the same chromosome to examine how chromosomal linkage affects genotypic dependence between loci in unrelated individuals within populations (Deka et al. 1995a). This study demonstrated that, in spite of the presence of allelic association among a few closely linked loci (located within a genetic distance of 7 cM ), these syntenic loci adequately revealed expected evolutionary relationships of the studied populations. Secondly, we should also like to comment on the inclusion of the four trinucleotide repeats which have been implicated in human diseases. We have noted that in terms of both number of alleles and heterozygosity these loci demonstrate a greater diversity. However, we have not observed any expanded alleles in the disease-causing range. Therefore the variation observed at these loci is representative of the total genomic variation reflective of the evolutionary histories of the examined populations. It is clearly evident from the distribution of allele frequencies at these loci (see appendix) that the populations of smaller effective sizes (such as the American Indians and the Pacific Islanders) have generally reduced
levels of variability even at these loci compared to the other populations, although these loci are under some degree of selective pressure because of their genomic location and functional constraints. On the same token, at least seven other loci in this study, viz. FLT1, CSF1R, TH01, PLA2A1, F13A1, CYP19 and LPL, are located in or around functional genes. Further, although most microsatellite loci are expected to be located in the noncoding regions of the genomes, it is not unequivocally known which of them are associated with genes and which are not. Taking all of these facts into consideration, at this time it is reasonable to state that studies of human genetic variation and phylogenetic relationships using microsatellites or other DNA markers are not necessarily based on a complete set of neutral loci. It is therefore not surprising that the observed relationships of human populations based on such markers and traditional serum protein loci are in general congruent. Long-term evolutionary history is a product of mutation, selection and drift operating on these diverse sets of genomic sequences, and their study in conjunction will be essential in assessing the past relationships of contemporary humans accurately.

It is now well established that the mutational mechanisms at microsatellites are different from those of traditional serum protein markers. There is empirical evidence that mutations at microsatellite loci cause contraction as well as expansion of allele size (Weber and Wong 1993). A stepwise mutation-drift model has been advocated to account for this phenomenon (Shriver et al. 1993; Di Rienzo et al. 1994). Thus, genetic variation at these loci described by frequency distribution of alleles distinguished by their repeat lengths could be affected by the convergent features of the forwardbackward stepwise mutational process, mathematical details of which are discussed elsewhere (e.g. see Kimmel and Chakraborty 1996; Kimmel et al. 1996). However, it has been shown that contraction or expansion bias of stepwise mutations does not affect the expectations of within-population heterozygosity or gene diversity between populations. Finally, the empirical data presented in this work and their analyses are in agreement with such theoretical predictions and reaffirm that examination of the major features of microevolutionary divergence of human populations is not compromised by these characteristics of the microsatellite loci.

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Appendix. Allele frequencies at 23 microsatellite loci in 16 human populations.

| Locus |  | Populations* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 65 | 12 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 67 | 13 | 3.6 | 8.0 | 2.0 | 8.7 | 9.4 | 0.0 | 8.0 | 17.4 | 16.7 | 12.3 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 26.0 | 13.9 | 9.1 |
| 69 | 14 | 10.5 | 7.0 | 6.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.0 | 6.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 |
| 70 | 14.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 71 | 15 | 5.9 | 5.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.8 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 3.7 | 0.6 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 72 | 15.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 73 | 16 | 19.6 | 22.0 | 18.0 | 33.7 | 27.5 | 20.8 | 32.0 | 18.4 | 29.2 | 9.4 | 5.9 | 24.1 | 13.0 | 40.0 | 44.3 | 61.9 |
| 74 | 16.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 75 | 17 | 41.4 | 39.0 | 48.0 | 32.7 | 37.0 | 38.9 | 42.0 | 44.9 | 33.3 | 37.7 | 77.2 | 65.9 | 66.7 | 13.0 | 18.0 | 15.1 |
| 77 | 18 | 13.2 | 13.0 | 22.0 | 19.9 | 19.6 | 25.0 | 12.0 | 13.3 | 10.4 | 35.9 | 0.7 | 6.5 | 1.7 | 15.0 | 17.2 | 6.6 |
| 79 | 19 | 4.6 | 3.0 | 2.0 | 5.1 | 6.5 | 12.5 | 4.0 | 1.0 | 4.2 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 4.9 | 7.2 |
| 81 | 20 | 1.4 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 8.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 220 | 100 | 50 | 196 | 138 | 72 | 50 | 98 | 48 | 106 | 136 | 170 | 54 | 100 | 122 | 318 |
| D13S118 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 184 | 14 | 4.8 | 5.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 186 | 15 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 2.6 | 1.6 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 8.9 |
| 188 | 16 | 15.8 | 16.7 | 10.5 | 10.4 | 13.0 | 23.6 | 2.2 | 11.1 | 0.0 | 15.7 | 6.9 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 190 | 17 | 46.9 | 46.3 | 26.3 | 22.4 | 23.4 | 37.5 | 32.6 | 46.3 | 42.0 | 44.1 | 26.9 | 50.0 | 0.0 | 64.9 | 64.8 | 75.0 |
| 192 | 18 | 3.5 | 5.6 | 13.2 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 1.0 | 4.6 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 4.9 |
| 194 | 19 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 23.7 | 42.7 | 44.2 | 15.3 | 37.0 | 29.6 | 26.0 | 16.7 | 30.0 | 11.5 | 37.0 | 13.8 | 13.1 | 2.6 |
| 196 | 20 | 3.5 | 5.6 | 7.9 | 3.1 | 1.3 | 2.8 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 12.0 | 1.0 | 9.2 | 10.6 | 0.0 | 5.3 | 11.5 | 0.0 |
| 198 | 21 | 14.9 | 16.7 | 10.5 | 18.2 | 11.7 | 20.8 | 13.0 | 13.0 | 6.0 | 17.7 | 21.5 | 23.1 | 57.4 | 10.6 | 6.6 | 6.9 |
| 200 | 22 | 3.1 | 3.7 | 5.3 | 1.6 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 8.0 | 3.9 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.3 | 4.1 | 1.6 |
| 202 | 23 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 204 | 24 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 228 | 54 | 38 | 192 | 154 | 72 | 46 | 54 | 50 | 102 | 130 | 208 | 54 | 94 | 122 | 304 |

* NI (Nigerian), BE (Benin), BB (Brazilian Black), GR (German), CP (CEPH parents), BR (Brahmin), BW (Brazilian White), CH (Chinese), JP (Japanese), KA (Kachari), DG (Dogrib), PE (Pehuenche), CA (Cabecar), AS (American Samoan), WS (Western Samoan), NG (New Guinea Highlander).

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| 158 | 15 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 160 | 16 | 10.8 | 11.5 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 162 | 17 | 3.6 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 7.3 | 8.3 | 14.1 | 6.0 | 8.0 | 12.0 | 7.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 164 | 18 | 9.5 | 5.8 | 14.0 | 3.7 | 3.2 | 10.9 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 2.0 | 1.0 | 5.3 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 |
| 166 | 19 | 32.0 | 38.5 | 38.0 | 49.5 | 43.0 | 43.8 | 50.0 | 46.0 | 40.0 | 42.9 | 69.7 | 78.9 | 74.1 | 68.0 | 56.6 | 66.8 |
| 168 | 20 | 6.8 | 3.9 | 16.0 | 8.9 | 10.3 | 4.7 | 10.0 | 6.0 | 14.0 | 11.2 | 2.3 | 1.8 | 9.3 | 4.0 | 18.0 | 5.6 |
| 170 | 21 | 5.9 | 9.6 | 0.0 | 5.2 | 7.1 | 9.4 | 10.0 | 22.0 | 24.0 | 25.5 | 6.8 | 9.2 | 0.0 | 18.0 | 19.7 | 6.6 |
| 172 | 22 | 14.9 | 19.2 | 20.0 | 7.3 | 5.8 | 7.8 | 6.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 4.1 | 0.8 | 4.1 | 9.3 | 5.0 | 0.8 | 2.6 |
| 174 | 23 | 8.6 | 5.8 | 4.0 | 11.5 | 14.1 | 6.3 | 6.0 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 8.2 | 15.2 | 4.6 | 7.4 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 3.0 |
| 176 | 24 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 6.8 | 8.3 | 3.1 | 8.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 3.3 | 10.5 |
| 178 | 25 | 0.9 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.6 |
| 180 | 26 | 3.6 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 222 | 52 | 50 | 192 | 156 | 64 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 98 | 132 | 218 | 54 | 100 | 122 | 304 |
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| 83 | 8 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 3.3 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 |
| 85 | 9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 87 | 10 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 6.0 | 15.4 | 12.3 | 27.3 | 14.0 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 14.0 | 0.0 | 3.6 | 1.9 | 11.2 | 12.7 | 0.0 |
| 89 | 11 | 3.1 | 1.9 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 5.6 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 7.6 |
| 91 | 12 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 5.0 | 4.6 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 1.9 | 20.0 | 7.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 9.6 | 4.1 | 6.8 | 0.0 |
| 93 | 13 | 15.9 | 9.3 | 14.0 | 14.3 | 9.1 | 18.2 | 4.0 | 13.0 | 10.0 | 11.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 12.2 | 5.9 | 4.1 |
| 95 | 14 | 6.2 | 7.4 | 12.0 | 36.8 | 35.1 | 15.2 | 36.0 | 44.4 | 44.0 | 44.0 | 11.1 | 56.4 | 34.6 | 22.4 | 22.9 | 9.0 |
| 97 | 15 | 6.6 | 11.1 | 24.0 | 2.2 | 7.1 | 3.0 | 4.0 | 9.3 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 28.6 | 11.4 | 32.7 | 12.2 | 10.2 | 0.0 |
| 99 | 16 | 13.7 | 13.0 | 6.0 | 2.2 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 6.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 17.3 | 5.1 | 1.7 | 0.0 |
| 101 | 17 | 21.7 | 25.9 | 4.0 | 4.4 | 4.6 | 7.6 | 14.0 | 1.9 | 4.0 | 5.0 | 11.9 | 19.1 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 5.1 | 7.9 |
| 103 | 18 | 18.6 | 24.1 | 16.0 | 11.5 | 9.1 | 13.6 | 10.0 | 9.3 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 42.9 | 7.3 | 1.9 | 11.2 | 16.9 | 10.7 |
| 105 | 19 | 6.2 | 7.4 | 8.0 | 4.4 | 7.1 | 9.1 | 0.0 | 5.6 | 12.0 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 15.3 | 9.3 | 25.5 |
| 107 | 20 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 1.1 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 6.0 | 3.7 | 2.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 3.1 | 6.8 | 20.7 |
| 109 | 21 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.8 | 10.3 |
| 111 | 22 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 2.4 |
| \# Chr |  | 226 | 66 | 50 | 182 | 154 | 66 | 50 | 54 | 50 | 100 | 126 | 220 | 52 | 98 | 118 | 290 | PE (Pehuenche), CA (Cabecar), AS (American Samoan), WS (Western Samoan), NG (New Guinea Highlander).

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| Locus |  | Populations* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 173 | 9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 175 | 10 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 177 | 11 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.2 | 6.6 | 0.0 |
| 179 | 12 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 181 | 13 | 4.3 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 183 | 14 | 18.0 | 21.0 | 29.2 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 2.8 | 4.0 | 25.5 | 13.6 | 10.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 36.5 | 34.4 | 6.9 |
| 185 | 15 | 47.1 | 42.0 | 31.3 | 46.9 | 44.2 | 36.1 | 44.0 | 16.3 | 15.9 | 29.3 | 8.8 | 15.5 | 14.8 | 45.8 | 45.9 | 38.4 |
| 187 | 16 | 18.4 | 25.0 | 25.0 | 41.8 | 35.3 | 55.6 | 42.0 | 53.1 | 59.1 | 56.6 | 88.2 | 83.9 | 33.3 | 12.5 | 13.1 | 54.7 |
| 189 | 17 | 3.2 | 8.0 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 3.2 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 29.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 191 | 18 | 6.1 | 2.0 | 10.4 | 5.1 | 10.3 | 4.2 | 6.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 22.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 193 | 19 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.1 | 6.4 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 9.1 | 2.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 195 | 20 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
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| D13S193 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 127 | 12 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 129 | 13 | 8.0 | 11.5 | 12.0 | 1.1 | 4.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 131 | 14 | 23.6 | 23.1 | 24.0 | 17.0 | 15.1 | 28.6 | 18.0 | 7.4 | 8.0 | 21.8 | 26.5 | 23.8 | 22.2 | 34.0 | 29.5 | 14.3 |
| 133 | 15 | 35.4 | 34.6 | 32.0 | 13.3 | 13.2 | 17.1 | 16.0 | 51.9 | 46.0 | 42.3 | 32.6 | 17.3 | 7.4 | 21.0 | 29.5 | 54.5 |
| 135 | 16 | 12.7 | 13.5 | 12.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 2.6 | 6.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.2 |
| 137 | 17 | 2.8 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 139 | 18 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 141 | 19 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 143 | 20 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 7.4 | 8.0 | 3.3 | 2.8 |
| 145 | 21 | 2.4 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 6.4 | 5.3 | 12.9 | 10.0 | 16.7 | 10.0 | 5.1 | 18.9 | 16.4 | 42.6 | 9.0 | 11.5 | 21.3 |
| 146 | 21.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 147 | 22 | 10.9 | 11.5 | 14.0 | 41.0 | 45.4 | 28.6 | 42.0 | 24.1 | 26.0 | 23.1 | 14.4 | 37.9 | 1.9 | 13.0 | 7.4 | 0.7 |
| 149 | 23 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 12.2 | 11.2 | 7.1 | 10.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 16.7 | 15.0 | 18.9 | 1.0 |
| 151 | 24 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 153 | 25 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 155 | 26 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 212 | 52 | 50 | 188 | 152 | 70 | 50 | 54 | 50 | 78 | 132 | 214 | 54 | 100 | 122 | 286 |

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| Locus |  | Populations* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| size (bp) | size | NI | BE | BB | GR | CP | BR | BW | CH | JP | KA | DG | PH | CA | AS | WS | NG |
| D13S197 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 87 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 97 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 11.7 | 16.2 | 8.6 | 10.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 6.5 |
| 98 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 99 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 101 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.9 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 112 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 118 |  | 3.2 | 0.0 | 10.9 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 119 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 120 |  | 8.3 | 14.8 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 0.4 |
| 121 |  | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.2 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 7.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 122 |  | 27.8 | 27.8 | 32.6 | 31.9 | 23.4 | 35.7 | 40.0 | 44.2 | 36.5 | 41.2 | 27.3 | 61.4 | 82.7 | 39.8 | 38.1 | 0.4 |
| 123 |  | 1.9 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 9.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 8.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 124 |  | 25.0 | 14.8 | 17.4 | 31.9 | 17.5 | 37.1 | 26.0 | 42.3 | 26.9 | 29.4 | 35.6 | 25.9 | 0.0 | 34.7 | 35.6 | 14.4 |
| 125 |  | 0.9 | 5.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 7.7 | 0.0 | 6.1 | 0.0 | 13.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 126 |  | 12.0 | 13.0 | 6.5 | 2.7 | 5.8 | 4.3 | 6.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 12.8 | 12.9 | 11.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.7 |
| 127 |  | 3.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 128 |  | 2.8 | 5.6 | 2.2 | 3.7 | 5.2 | 8.6 | 6.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.4 |
| 129 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 130 |  | 0.5 | 1.9 | 8.7 | 1.6 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 6.1 | 5.9 | 0.4 |
| 131 |  | 3.7 | 3.7 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 0.0 |
| 132 |  | 2.8 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 2.7 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 9.2 | 9.3 | 11.9 |
| 133 |  | 1.9 | 5.6 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 0.0 |
| 134 |  | 2.3 | 1.9 | 8.7 | 2.1 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 19.2 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 5.1 | 3.4 | 34.9 |
| 135 |  | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 136 |  | 0.5 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 26.3 |
| 138 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 139 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.8 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 140 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 142 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 145 |  | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 216 | 54 | 46 | 188 | 154 | 70 | 50 | 52 | 52 | 102 | 132 | 220 | 52 | 98 | 118 | 278 |

Microsatellite variation in human populations

| Locus |  | Populations* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| size (bp) | size | NI | BE | BB | GR | CP | BR | BW | CH | JP | KA | DG | PH | CA | AS | WS | NG |
| FLT1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 156 | 9 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 166 | 14 | 2.6 | 1.9 | 6.0 | 3.2 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 |
| 167 | 14.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 168 | 15 | 38.9 | 35.2 | 46.0 | 83.7 | 89.0 | 80.6 | 84.0 | 53.7 | 67.3 | 55.9 | 89.2 | 94.4 | 100.0 | 81.0 | 80.3 | 71.0 |
| 170 | 16 | 4.3 | 1.9 | 4.0 | 3.7 | 3.3 | 9.7 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 5.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 2.8 |
| 172 | 17 | 6.0 | 9.3 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 5.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 174 | 18 | 9.0 | 11.1 | 12.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 176 | 19 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 178 | 20 | 3.4 | 3.7 | 6.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.6 | 1.9 | 4.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 179 | 20.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 180 | 21 | 4.7 | 5.6 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 5.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 1.7 |
| 182 | 22 | 9.0 | 20.4 | 6.0 | 5.8 | 4.6 | 9.7 | 8.0 | 31.5 | 21.2 | 26.5 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 17.0 | 18.9 | 23.1 |
| 184 | 23 | 13.3 | 7.4 | 6.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 3.9 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 |
| 186 | 24 | 7.3 | 3.7 | 8.0 | 0.5 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 188 | 25 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 190 | 26 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 200 | 27 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 234 | 54 | 50 | 190 | 154 | 72 | 50 | 54 | 52 | 102 | 130 | 216 | 54 | 100 | 122 | 290 |
| PLA2A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 115 | 9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 118 | 10 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 121 | 11 | 4.8 | 1.0 | 15.7 | 46.1 | 44.9 | 54.3 | 37.9 | 28.4 | 27.1 | 23.0 | 17.0 | 28.4 | 4.9 | 28.0 | 31.0 | 80.4 |
| 124 | 12 | 2.9 | 9.2 | 12.9 | 12.8 | 13.3 | 12.9 | 16.1 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 8.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 5.9 | 11.0 | 9.0 | 12.7 |
| 127 | 13 | 18.3 | 13.3 | 8.6 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 3.2 | 19.6 | 27.1 | 9.0 | 15.0 | 15.7 | 10.8 | 19.0 | 17.0 | 0.0 |
| 130 | 14 | 28.9 | 23.5 | 17.1 | 14.7 | 14.3 | 11.4 | 23.4 | 28.4 | 26.0 | 25.0 | 30.0 | 21.6 | 7.8 | 16.0 | 12.0 | 4.9 |
| 133 | 15 | 26.0 | 28.6 | 28.6 | 15.7 | 19.4 | 14.3 | 13.7 | 12.8 | 7.3 | 18.0 | 31.0 | 28.4 | 60.8 | 14.0 | 16.0 | 2.0 |
| 136 | 16 | 19.2 | 24.5 | 17.1 | 6.9 | 4.1 | 5.7 | 4.8 | 6.9 | 9.4 | 17.0 | 5.0 | 3.9 | 8.8 | 12.0 | 15.0 | 0.0 |
| 139 | 17 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 104 | 98 | 70 | 102 | 98 | 70 | 124 | 102 | 96 | 100 | 100 | 102 | 102 | 100 | 100 | 102 |

*NI (Nigerian), BE (Benin), BB (Brazilian Black), GR (German), CP (CEPH parents), BR (Brahmin), BW (Brazilian White), CH (Chinese), JP (Japanese), KA (Kachari), DG (Dogrib),
PE (Pehuenche), CA (Cabecar), AS (American Samoan), WS (Western Samoan), NG (New Guinea Highlander).

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| size (bp) | size | NI | BE | BB | GR | CP | BR | BW | CH | JP | KA | DG | PH | CA | AS | WS | NG |
| D20S473 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 166 | 7 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 169 | 8 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 6.7 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 172 | 9 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 7.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 175 | 10 | 21.7 | 20.0 | 13.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 3.7 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 |
| 178 | 11 | 30.0 | 15.0 | 30.0 | 28.3 | 15.0 | 30.4 | 25.9 | 13.0 | 20.7 | 19.0 | 1.7 | 3.9 | 7.4 | 7.1 | 10.0 | 6.9 |
| 181 | 12 | 36.7 | 25.0 | 36.7 | 56.7 | 60.0 | 52.2 | 57.4 | 61.1 | 46.6 | 63.8 | 95.0 | 69.2 | 87.0 | 67.9 | 70.0 | 84.5 |
| 184 | 13 | 6.7 | 23.3 | 10.0 | 6.7 | 20.0 | 13.0 | 9.3 | 9.3 | 19.0 | 15.5 | 3.3 | 13.5 | 5.6 | 25.0 | 20.0 | 0.0 |
| 187 | 14 | 1.7 | 13.3 | 6.7 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 14.8 | 10.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 6.9 |
| 190 | 15 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 46 | 54 | 54 | 58 | 60 | 60 | 52 | 54 | 28 | 30 | 58 |
| TH01 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 180 | 5 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 184 | 6 | 12.8 | 14.3 | 12.5 | 20.6 | 18.4 | 24.3 | 19.5 | 15.7 | 26.0 | 15.0 | 2.0 | 34.3 | 67.7 | 5.0 | 9.0 | 16.7 |
| 188 | 7 | 52.9 | 57.1 | 48.4 | 15.7 | 23.5 | 17.1 | 21.2 | 19.6 | 27.1 | 30.0 | 54.0 | 33.3 | 13.7 | 55.0 | 40.0 | 0.0 |
| 192 | 8 | 15.7 | 20.4 | 21.9 | 8.8 | 9.2 | 25.7 | 10.2 | 2.9 | 4.2 | 7.0 | 6.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 12.0 | 21.0 | 78.4 |
| 196 | 9 | 13.7 | 5.1 | 4.7 | 16.7 | 8.2 | 20.0 | 14.4 | 52.0 | 40.6 | 40.0 | 31.0 | 2.0 | 1.0 | 7.0 | 3.0 | 3.9 |
| 199 | 9.3 | 4.9 | 2.0 | 12.5 | 36.3 | 39.8 | 12.9 | 34.8 | 3.9 | 1.0 | 8.0 | 7.0 | 30.4 | 17.7 | 21.0 | 26.0 | 1.0 |
| 200 | 10 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.9 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 204 | 11 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 102 | 98 | 64 | 102 | 98 | 70 | 118 | 102 | 96 | 100 | 100 | 102 | 102 | 100 | 100 | 102 |

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| Locus |  | Populations* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| size (bp) | size | NI | BE | BB | GR | CP | BR | BW | CH | JP | KA | DG | PH | CA | AS | WS | NG |
| CSF1R |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 291 | 6 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 295 | 7 | 9.8 | 6.1 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 299 | 8 | 7.8 | 3.1 | 4.4 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 303 | 9 | 4.9 | 4.1 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 7.6 | 3.4 | 3.9 | 3.1 | 5.1 | 9.0 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 2.5 |
| 307 | 10 | 30.4 | 31.6 | 25.0 | 25.5 | 32.7 | 21.2 | 22.0 | 17.7 | 22.9 | 22.5 | 39.0 | 27.5 | 13.7 | 16.0 | 13.0 | 15.0 |
| 311 | 11 | 16.7 | 23.5 | 42.7 | 33.3 | 25.5 | 24.2 | 32.2 | 26.5 | 16.7 | 36.7 | 14.0 | 19.6 | 30.4 | 42.0 | 39.0 | 38.8 |
| 315 | 12 | 28.4 | 25.5 | 19.1 | 28.4 | 34.7 | 36.4 | 38.1 | 40.2 | 46.9 | 29.6 | 29.0 | 41.2 | 25.5 | 33.0 | 35.0 | 42.5 |
| 319 | 13 | 1.0 | 5.1 | 4.4 | 9.8 | 5.1 | 10.6 | 1.7 | 7.8 | 7.3 | 6.1 | 6.0 | 5.9 | 26.5 | 8.0 | 10.0 | 1.3 |
| 323 | 14 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 |
| 327 | 15 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 102 | 98 | 68 | 102 | 98 | 66 | 118 | 102 | 96 | 98 | 100 | 102 | 102 | 100 | 100 | 80 |
| F13A1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 281 | 3.2 | 26.9 | 7.0 | 19.1 | 6.1 | 4.3 | 11.1 | 9.0 | 34.3 | 40.4 | 23.3 | 48.0 | 33.0 | 48.0 | 7.0 | 6.0 | 3.6 |
| 283 | 4 | 7.7 | 7.0 | 7.1 | 6.1 | 2.9 | 5.6 | 4.0 | 13.7 | 6.4 | 15.6 | 8.0 | 18.0 | 18.6 | 3.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 |
| 287 | 5 | 30.8 | 40.0 | 25.0 | 18.4 | 11.4 | 34.7 | 20.0 | 10.8 | 7.5 | 8.9 | 17.0 | 3.0 | 30.4 | 26.0 | 20.0 | 90.9 |
| 291 | 6 | 14.1 | 5.0 | 14.3 | 26.5 | 34.3 | 22.2 | 28.0 | 41.2 | 45.7 | 34.4 | 24.0 | 11.0 | 1.0 | 61.0 | 69.0 | 5.5 |
| 295 | 7 | 12.8 | 16.0 | 19.1 | 34.7 | 40.0 | 20.8 | 32.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 10.0 | 2.0 | 35.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 3.0 | 0.0 |
| 299 | 8 | 5.1 | 8.0 | 8.3 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 303 | 9 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 307 | 10 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 311 | 11 | 1.3 | 2.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 315 | 12 | 1.3 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 319 | 13 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 3.6 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 323 | 14 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.2 | 5.1 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 327 | 15 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 331 | 16 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 78 | 100 | 84 | 98 | 70 | 72 | 100 | 102 | 94 | 90 | 100 | 100 | 102 | 100 | 100 | 110 |

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| Locus |  | Populations* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| size (bp) | size | NI | BE | BB | GR | CP | BR | BW | CH | JP | KA | DG | PH | CA | AS | WS | NG |
| CYP19 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 173 | 5 | 26.7 | 30.0 | 34.5 | 37.8 | 37.5 | 27.8 | 28.6 | 34.3 | 39.6 | 20.8 | 38.0 | 69.2 | 25.5 | 53.0 | 61.0 | 11.0 |
| 177 | 6 | 41.4 | 56.0 | 44.1 | 15.6 | 19.4 | 27.8 | 24.5 | 22.6 | 29.2 | 40.6 | 37.0 | 6.4 | 65.7 | 7.0 | 8.0 | 80.5 |
| 178 | 6.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 181 | 7 | 8.6 | 1.0 | 3.6 | 7.8 | 11.1 | 8.3 | 6.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 4.0 | 0.8 |
| 185 | 8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 189 | 9 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 4.1 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 2.1 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 193 | 10 | 15.5 | 9.0 | 6.0 | 35.6 | 29.2 | 31.9 | 34.7 | 33.3 | 26.0 | 30.2 | 21.0 | 24.5 | 8.8 | 35.0 | 27.0 | 5.9 |
| 197 | 11 | 6.0 | 2.0 | 6.0 | 2.2 | 1.4 | 2.8 | 2.0 | 7.8 | 4.2 | 3.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 |
| 201 | 12 | 0.9 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 116 | 100 | 84 | 90 | 72 | 72 | 98 | 102 | 78 | 96 | 100 | 94 | 102 | 100 | 100 | 118 |
| LPL |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 115 | 8 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 119 | 9 | 10.0 | 23.9 | 10.7 | 2.4 | 4.2 | 1.4 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 123 | 10 | 34.0 | 42.4 | 45.2 | 41.7 | 31.9 | 56.9 | 46.0 | 63.7 | 62.8 | 58.0 | 65.0 | 71.3 | 74.5 | 84.0 | 88.0 | 47.5 |
| 127 | 11 | 12.0 | 9.8 | 9.5 | 22.6 | 27.8 | 18.1 | 34.0 | 9.8 | 14.1 | 5.7 | 19.0 | 4.3 | 6.9 | 2.0 | 3.0 | 2.5 |
| 131 | 12 | 29.0 | 18.5 | 32.1 | 31.0 | 33.3 | 20.8 | 14.0 | 23.5 | 21.8 | 33.0 | 14.0 | 24.5 | 18.6 | 11.0 | 4.0 | 22.9 |
| 135 | 13 | 14.0 | 5.4 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.8 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 2.9 | 1.3 | 3.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 5.0 | 27.1 |
| 139 | 14 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 100 | 92 | 84 | 84 | 72 | 72 | 100 | 102 | 78 | 88 | 100 | 94 | 102 | 100 | 100 | 118 |

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| size (bp) | size | NI | BE | BB | GR | CP | BR | BW | CH | JP | KA | DG | PH | CA | AS | WS | NG |
| D20S604 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 115 | 8 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 119 | 9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 123 | 10 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 5.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.6 | 3.3 | 0.0 |
| 127 | 11 | 13.3 | 0.0 | 15.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 2.2 | 1.9 | 8.9 | 12.1 | 6.7 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 6.9 |
| 131 | 12 | 5.0 | 3.3 | 6.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 8.7 | 5.6 | 0.0 | 8.6 | 8.3 | 30.0 | 15.4 | 0.0 | 7.1 | 3.3 | 29.3 |
| 135 | 13 | 11.7 | 10.0 | 15.0 | 10.0 | 8.3 | 10.9 | 11.1 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 5.0 | 6.7 | 13.5 | 0.0 | 14.3 | 6.7 | 8.6 |
| 139 | 14 | 18.3 | 28.3 | 13.3 | 16.7 | 31.7 | 23.9 | 29.6 | 28.6 | 44.8 | 33.3 | 23.3 | 25.0 | 68.5 | 21.4 | 46.7 | 22.4 |
| 143 | 15 | 25.0 | 23.3 | 21.7 | 56.7 | 40.0 | 37.0 | 31.5 | 37.5 | 15.5 | 31.7 | 10.0 | 28.9 | 29.6 | 35.7 | 33.3 | 29.3 |
| 147 | 16 | 13.3 | 23.3 | 18.3 | 13.3 | 13.3 | 13.0 | 18.5 | 12.5 | 12.1 | 13.3 | 28.3 | 15.4 | 1.9 | 14.3 | 6.7 | 3.4 |
| 151 | 17 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 5.0 | 1.7 | 3.3 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 46 | 54 | 56 | 58 | 60 | 60 | 52 | 54 | 28 | 30 | 58 |
| D20S481 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 213 | 9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 217 | 10 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 221 | 11 | 6.7 | 1.7 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 8.6 |
| 225 | 12 | 11.7 | 18.3 | 15.0 | 8.3 | 11.7 | 2.2 | 3.7 | 5.4 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 22.4 |
| 229 | 13 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 6.7 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 5.6 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 12.1 |
| 233 | 14 | 3.3 | 5.0 | 16.7 | 21.7 | 25.0 | 10.9 | 18.5 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 5.0 | 35.0 | 34.6 | 66.7 | 17.9 | 6.7 | 17.2 |
| 237 | 15 | 26.7 | 16.7 | 15.0 | 18.3 | 11.7 | 23.9 | 20.3 | 12.5 | 5.2 | 21.7 | 21.7 | 7.7 | 7.4 | 21.4 | 0.0 | 13.8 |
| 241 | 16 | 23.3 | 23.3 | 23.3 | 10.0 | 26.7 | 39.1 | 24.1 | 42.9 | 39.7 | 45.0 | 26.7 | 30.8 | 1.9 | 42.9 | 80.0 | 15.5 |
| 245 | 17 | 16.7 | 23.3 | 18.3 | 18.3 | 8.3 | 19.6 | 14.8 | 33.9 | 43.1 | 16.7 | 10.0 | 23.1 | 22.2 | 10.7 | 13.3 | 8.6 |
| 249 | 18 | 6.7 | 11.7 | 1.7 | 10.0 | 6.7 | 2.2 | 5.6 | 1.8 | 6.9 | 1.7 | 5.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 |
| 253 | 19 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 46 | 54 | 56 | 58 | 60 | 60 | 52 | 54 | 28 | 30 | 58 |

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| size (bp) | size | NI | BE | BB | GR | CP | BR | BW | CH | JP | KA | DG | PH | CA | AS | WS | NG |
| D21S1435 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 159 | 7 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 163 | 8 | 3.5 | 1.7 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 167 | 9 | 5.2 | 11.7 | 6.7 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 171 | 10 | 12.1 | 11.7 | 21.7 | 20.0 | 21.7 | 10.9 | 16.0 | 6.7 | 10.3 | 5.0 | 26.7 | 16.7 | 8.0 | 23.1 | 10.0 | 1.7 |
| 175 | 11 | 29.3 | 28.3 | 13.3 | 35.0 | 35.0 | 34.8 | 34.0 | 38.3 | 31.0 | 43.3 | 1.7 | 42.6 | 42.0 | 34.6 | 53.3 | 33.3 |
| 179 | 12 | 19.0 | 15.0 | 35.0 | 13.3 | 20.0 | 17.4 | 32.0 | 18.3 | 29.3 | 20.0 | 36.7 | 20.4 | 42.0 | 11.5 | 6.7 | 35.0 |
| 183 | 13 | 24.1 | 25.0 | 15.0 | 25.0 | 18.3 | 34.8 | 14.0 | 25.0 | 22.4 | 23.3 | 35.0 | 14.8 | 8.0 | 23.1 | 23.3 | 28.3 |
| 187 | 14 | 3.5 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 2.2 | 2.0 | 11.7 | 5.2 | 8.3 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 7.7 | 6.7 | 1.7 |
| 191 | 15 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 58 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 46 | 50 | 60 | 50 | 60 | 60 | 54 | 50 | 26 | 30 | 60 |
| D21S1446 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 201 |  | 8.6 | 8.3 | 13.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 205 |  | 0.0 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 |
| 209 |  | 25.9 | 18.3 | 14.8 | 45.0 | 36.7 | 43.8 | 46.0 | 55.2 | 51.7 | 60.0 | 34.5 | 33.3 | 39.6 | 53.9 | 70.0 | 48.3 |
| 211 |  | 0.0 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 213 |  | 6.9 | 5.0 | 13.0 | 15.0 | 10.0 | 10.4 | 16.0 | 20.7 | 6.9 | 13.3 | 1.7 | 7.4 | 0.0 | 34.6 | 26.7 | 23.3 |
| 215 |  | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 1.7 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 217 |  | 0.0 | 3.3 | 9.3 | 11.7 | 8.3 | 4.2 | 10.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 6.9 | 9.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 |
| 219 |  | 15.5 | 18.3 | 9.3 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 4.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 3.3 | 27.6 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 221 |  | 5.2 | 6.7 | 3.7 | 3.3 | 6.7 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 16.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 223 |  | 36.2 | 31.7 | 33.3 | 18.3 | 31.7 | 27.1 | 24.0 | 20.7 | 31.0 | 20.0 | 29.3 | 46.3 | 39.6 | 11.5 | 3.3 | 25.0 |
| 225 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 227 |  | 0.0 | 3.3 | 1.9 | 3.3 | 1.7 | 4.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 6.9 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 229 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 58 | 60 | 54 | 60 | 60 | 48 | 50 | 58 | 58 | 60 | 58 | 54 | 48 | 26 | 30 | 60 |

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Microsatellite variation in human populations

| Locus |  | Populations* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| size (bp) | size | NI | BE | BB | GR | CP | BR | BW | CH | JP | KA | DG | PH | CA | AS | WS | NG |
| DM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 75 | 4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 78 | 5 | 26.4 | 32.0 | 19.1 | 32.7 | 40.0 | 33.3 | 39.0 | 29.4 | 19.0 | 30.2 | 31.0 | 6.5 | 0.0 | 31.6 | 35.0 | 0.0 |
| 81 | 6 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 84 | 7 | 2.8 | 2.0 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 87 | 8 | 1.9 | 3.0 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 90 | 9 | 3.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.1 | 4.0 | 8.0 |
| 93 | 10 | 11.3 | 7.0 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 1.4 | 3.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 12.8 | 2.0 | 8.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.0 |
| 96 | 11 | 17.9 | 15.0 | 11.9 | 9.6 | 13.1 | 19.4 | 10.0 | 6.9 | 18.0 | 16.3 | 26.0 | 45.7 | 5.0 | 4.1 | 9.0 | 34.0 |
| 99 | 12 | 17.9 | 16.0 | 17.9 | 12.5 | 11.9 | 8.3 | 10.0 | 26.5 | 22.0 | 18.6 | 15.0 | 3.3 | 12.0 | 2.0 | 9.0 | 12.0 |
| 102 | 13 | 8.5 | 9.0 | 22.6 | 15.4 | 14.4 | 13.9 | 24.0 | 14.7 | 20.0 | 11.6 | 21.0 | 26.1 | 83.0 | 29.6 | 28.0 | 23.0 |
| 105 | 14 | 5.7 | 12.0 | 13.1 | 6.7 | 3.8 | 4.2 | 2.0 | 8.8 | 2.0 | 5.8 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 9.2 | 6.0 | 12.0 |
| 108 | 15 | 2.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.2 | 3.0 | 4.9 | 6.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 18.4 | 8.0 | 1.0 |
| 111 | 16 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 4.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 |
| 114 | 17 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 2.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.0 |
| 117 | 18 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 120 | 19 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 |
| 123 | 20 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 126 | 21 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 5.9 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 129 | 22 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.8 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 132 | 23 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 2.8 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 135 | 24 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 5.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 138 | 25 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 |
| 141 | 26 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 144 | 27 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 147 | 28 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 159 | 32 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 162 | 33 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 165 | 34 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 100 | 100 | 84 | 100 | 100 | 72 | 100 | 102 | 100 | 86 | 100 | 92 | 100 | 98 | 100 | 100 |

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| SCA |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 184 | 19 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 190 | 21 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 193 | 22 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 196 | 23 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 199 | 24 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 202 | 25 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 205 | 26 | 9.3 | 24.5 | 7.5 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 10.0 | 13.9 | 20.0 | 1.1 | 8.6 | 29.0 | 9.2 | 13.3 | 1.3 |
| 208 | 27 | 12.8 | 9.2 | 7.5 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.3 |
| 211 | 28 | 7.0 | 7.1 | 8.8 | 1.1 | 3.2 | 11.5 | 5.2 | 48.0 | 33.3 | 20.0 | 34.0 | 30.0 | 17.0 | 38.8 | 25.5 | 0.0 |
| 214 | 29 | 10.5 | 5.1 | 7.5 | 41.3 | 31.9 | 32.7 | 29.2 | 16.0 | 16.7 | 18.6 | 10.6 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 15.3 | 16.3 | 17.9 |
| 217 | 30 | 29.1 | 25.5 | 26.3 | 31.5 | 38.3 | 34.6 | 37.5 | 16.0 | 33.3 | 20.0 | 22.3 | 25.7 | 15.0 | 24.5 | 23.5 | 9.0 |
| 220 | 31 | 9.3 | 13.3 | 17.5 | 10.9 | 5.3 | 11.5 | 10.4 | 2.0 | 1.4 | 5.7 | 22.3 | 21.4 | 38.0 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 0.0 |
| 223 | 32 | 10.5 | 9.2 | 5.0 | 10.9 | 12.8 | 1.9 | 9.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.3 | 0.0 | 2.9 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 4.1 | 0.0 |
| 226 | 33 | 3.5 | 2.0 | 8.8 | 1.1 | 2.1 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.9 | 9.6 | 8.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 15.4 |
| 229 | 34 | 1.2 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 7.1 | 25.6 |
| 232 | 35 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 2.2 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 4.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 19.2 |
| 235 | 36 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 9.0 |
| 238 | 37 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.3 |
| 250 | 41 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 86 | 98 | 80 | 92 | 94 | 52 | 96 | 50 | 72 | 70 | 94 | 70 | 100 | 98 | 98 | 78 |

${ }^{*}$ NI (Nigerian), BE (Benin), BB (Brazilian Black), GR (German), CP (CEPH parents), BR (Brahmin), BW (Brazilian White), CH (Chinese), JP (Japanese), KA (Kachari), DG (Dogrib), PE (Pehuenche), CA (Cabecar), AS (American Samoan), WS (Western Samoan), NG (New Guinea Highlander).

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| 116 | 6 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 |
| 119 | 7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 |
| 122 | 8 | 4.1 | 3.0 | 7.1 | 10.0 | 16.3 | 11.8 | 12.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 7.1 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 18.4 | 14.0 | 16.0 |
| 125 | 9 | 14.3 | 13.0 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 6.0 | 5.0 |
| 128 | 10 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 9.0 | 7.6 | 7.4 | 5.0 | 17.0 | 18.9 | 10.7 | 67.4 | 0.0 | 6.3 | 15.3 | 9.0 | 42.0 |
| 131 | 11 | 6.1 | 5.0 | 4.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 6.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 7.8 | 0.0 | 6.1 | 5.0 | 2.0 |
| 134 | 12 | 24.5 | 26.0 | 22.6 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 7.4 | 4.0 | 1.0 | 2.2 | 9.5 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 4.0 | 0.0 |
| 137 | 13 | 32.7 | 32.0 | 13.1 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 9.0 | 3.0 | 3.3 | 3.6 | 5.1 | 7.8 | 12.5 | 6.1 | 7.0 | 3.0 |
| 140 | 14 | 6.1 | 6.0 | 7.1 | 9.0 | 3.3 | 13.2 | 3.0 | 1.0 | 3.3 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 14.6 | 11.2 | 7.0 | 4.0 |
| 143 | 15 | 6.1 | 12.0 | 31.0 | 38.0 | 37.0 | 35.3 | 40.0 | 28.0 | 21.1 | 31.0 | 24.5 | 74.4 | 61.5 | 9.2 | 12.0 | 8.0 |
| 146 | 16 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 7.1 | 24.0 | 18.5 | 20.6 | 17.0 | 1.0 | 4.4 | 16.7 | 3.1 | 3.3 | 4.2 | 7.1 | 9.0 | 0.0 |
| 149 | 17 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 5.0 | 6.5 | 2.9 | 4.0 | 23.0 | 15.6 | 6.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 9.2 | 9.0 | 0.0 |
| 152 | 18 | 3.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 15.0 | 13.3 | 8.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 4.0 | 12.0 |
| 155 | 19 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 5.0 | 6.7 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| 158 | 20 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.1 | 6.0 | 0.0 |
| 161 | 21 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.1 | 4.0 | 0.0 |
| 164 | 22 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 |
| 167 | 23 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 |
| 170 | 24 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 176 | 26 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 98 | 100 | 84 | 100 | 92 | 68 | 100 | 100 | 90 | 84 | 98 | 90 | 96 | 98 | 100 | 100 |

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| HD |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 89 | 7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 95 | 9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 98 | 10 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 101 | 11 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 104 | 12 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.2 | 2.0 | 0.0 |
| 107 | 13 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 110 | 14 | 4.2 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 8.2 | 7.3 | 8.0 | 79.5 |
| 113 | 15 | 34.2 | 33.0 | 28.6 | 7.3 | 9.5 | 9.7 | 12.0 | 2.0 | 3.6 | 3.3 | 27.1 | 26.1 | 5.1 | 4.2 | 2.0 | 0.0 |
| 116 | 16 | 7.5 | 11.0 | 13.1 | 9.4 | 4.4 | 5.6 | 3.0 | 4.0 | 7.1 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 6.3 | 4.0 | 0.0 |
| 119 | 17 | 11.7 | 10.0 | 14.3 | 40.6 | 38.0 | 47.2 | 37.0 | 72.0 | 44.6 | 65.6 | 52.1 | 56.8 | 18.4 | 55.2 | 49.0 | 0.0 |
| 122 | 18 | 7.5 | 14.0 | 10.7 | 7.3 | 12.0 | 19.4 | 8.0 | 14.0 | 26.8 | 14.4 | 3.1 | 4.6 | 3.1 | 8.3 | 16.0 | 0.0 |
| 125 | 19 | 13.3 | 13.0 | 14.3 | 6.3 | 7.0 | 6.9 | 13.0 | 2.0 | 7.1 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 |
| 128 | 20 | 9.2 | 7.0 | 3.6 | 6.3 | 10.8 | 0.0 | 9.0 | 0.0 | 3.6 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 2.3 |
| 131 | 21 | 0.8 | 4.0 | 2.4 | 1.0 | 6.3 | 2.8 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 13.3 | 2.1 | 6.0 | 6.1 |
| 134 | 22 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 1.2 | 3.1 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 6.0 | 3.0 |
| 137 | 23 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 4.2 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 6.0 | 3.0 | 0.9 | 3.3 | 8.3 | 1.1 | 18.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 |
| 140 | 24 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 4.2 | 1.3 | 6.9 | 4.0 | 1.0 | 2.7 | 1.1 | 2.1 | 4.6 | 21.4 | 6.3 | 1.0 | 0.0 |
| 143 | 25 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.0 | 4.0 | 1.5 |
| 146 | 26 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.2 | 3.1 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 3.8 |
| 149 | 27 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 9.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 152 | 28 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 |
| 155 | 29 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 |
| 158 | 30 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 2.1 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.5 |
| 167 | 33 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 170 | 34 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \# Chr |  | 120 | 100 | 84 | 96 | 158 | 72 | 100 | 100 | 112 | 90 | 96 | 88 | 98 | 96 | 100 | 132 |

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[^1]:    ${ }^{a}$ Genotype of CEPH individuals 133101 and 133102 are given as reference markers in terms of the fragment sizes in base pairs and the corresponding repeat numbers in parentheses; ${ }^{b}$ fragment sizes at D13S197 do not always correspond to a two-base-pair increment and therefore the corresponding repeat sizes could not be deduced; ${ }^{\text {cffragment sizes at D21S1446 also do not correspond to four-base-pair }}$ increment and therefore repeat numbers could not be deduced. See text for details.

