



X-chromosomal haplotype frequencies of four linkage groups in a population of Argentina



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ABSTRACT

DNA samples of hundred ten unrelated anonymized male individuals living in province of Entre Ríos, Argentina, were genotyped using Investigator Argus X-12 system (Qiagen) for 12 STRs in four haplogroups. The frequency of most common haplotype was 0.02727, 0.06364, 0.03636, and 0.03636 for haplogroups 1, 2, 3, and 4, respectively. The Match Probability was 6.0E-08 and the mean exclusion chance was 0.999999936. This work presents the first haplotype frequency data for Investigator Argus X-12 system in a population of Argentina.

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1. Introduction

A large number of short tandem repeat markers (STR) on the X chromosome have been described in the past and they have proven to provide useful tools in paternity disputes with female offspring in the absence of the alleged father, or identification cases [1]. In the present study we analyzed 110 unrelated male individuals with the aim of establishing the haplotype frequencies of the markers included in the Investigator Argus X-12 (Qiagen, Hilden, Germany) commercial kit and evaluate their effectiveness for forensic purposes in the province of Entre Ríos, Argentina.

2. Material studied, methods, techniques

Genomic DNA was extracted using Chelex-100 procedure from whole blood [2]. PCR was performed in a Veriti 96-Well Thermal Cycler (Life Technologies) using Investigator Argus X-12 system (Qiagen) according to manufacturer's recommendations. Linkage groups included in Argus X-12 are DDX10148, DDX10135, DDX8378 (Hap1), DDX7132, DDX10079, DDX10074 (Hap2), DDX10103, HPRTB, DDX10101 (Hap3), DDX10146, DDX10134 and DDX7423 (Hap4). Typing was performed by capillary electrophoresis (ABI

3130 Genetic Analyzer, Applied Biosystems) and statistical parameters were calculated using Power Marker v3.25 [3] and an Excel spread sheet according to Desmarais et al. [4].

3. Results

Statistical parameters for linkage groups and allelic frequencies for the 12 STRs were calculated (Table 1). The combined PD value was 0.99999994, and the MEC for all linkage groups was 0.999999936 in trios. PIC was greater than 0.97 for all haplotypes.

4. Discussion

The major advantage of X chromosome markers arises in deficiency paternity cases [1], and Argus X-12 kit (Qiagen) offer the possibility to solve complex kinship cases where autosomal STR markers do not provide the information needed. Our work present the first haplotype frequencies database for an Argentinian population in four linkage groups present in this kit.

5. Conclusion

The study of one hundred ten male individuals in the population of Entre Ríos (Argentina), allowed us to obtain allele frequencies of twelve STR systems and haplotype frequencies for

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Table 1

Allele frequencies and statistical parameters for 12 STRs and 4 haplotypes presents in Argus X-12 kit (Qiagen), in population of Entre Ríos, Argentina. MF, minimum frequencies; PIC, polymorphism information content; PDm, power of discrimination in males; MECT, median exclusion chance in trios; MECD, median exclusion chance in duos (motherless).

Allele	DXS10148	DXS10135	DXS8378	DXS7132	DXS10079	DXS10074	DXS10103	HPRTB	DXS10101	DXS10146	DXS10134	DXS7423
7						0.05455						
8						0.11818						
9			0.00909									
10			0.27273					0.00909				
11			0.35455				0.00909		0.10909			
12			0.32727	0.05455					0.22727			
13			0.03636	0.24545	0.01818				0.31818			0.01818
13.3	0.00909											
14			0.37273	0.04545				0.20000			0.28182	
15			0.26364	0.03636	0.12727			0.10000			0.48182	
15.1		0.00909										
16			0.04545	0.03636	0.17273	0.25455	0.03636				0.12727	
16.2					0.00909							
17	0.00909	0.02727		0.00909	0.06364	0.19091	0.14545				0.09091	
17.1		0.00909										
17.2						0.00909						
18	0.25455	0.03636		0.00909	0.10000	0.20000	0.26364					
19	0.03636	0.04545			0.22727	0.10000	0.26364					
19.1		0.00909										
20		0.02727			0.29091	0.00909	0.07273					
20.1		0.01818										
21		0.11818			0.10909							
21.1		0.00909										
22		0.08182			0.04545							
23	0.02727	0.09091			0.00909				0.00909			
23.1	0.02727											
24	0.01818	0.12727			0.01818							
24.1	0.17273											
25		0.06364						0.12727				
25.1	0.23636											
25.2		0.00909							0.10000			
26		0.06364								0.10000		
26.1	0.11818											
26.2							0.01818					
27		0.06364							0.18182			
27.1	0.03636											
27.2							0.01818					
28		0.07273					0.01818		0.14545			
28.1	0.04545											
28.2							0.06364					
29		0.02727					0.04545		0.12727			
29.1	0.00909											
29.2							0.05455					
30		0.01818					0.06364	0.10000				
30.1		0.00909										
30.2						0.17273						
31		0.03636					0.09091	0.00909	0.00909			
31.2							0.17273					
32		0.00909					0.10000	0.02727				
32.2							0.05455	0.00909				
33		0.01818					0.08182	0.01818	0.01818			
34							0.04545		0.10909			
35									0.16364			
36									0.22727			
36.3									0.00909			
37									0.19091			
37.2									0.00909			
38									0.10000			
38.2								0.00909				
38.3									0.02727			
39									0.02727			
39.3									0.00909			
40									0.02727			
40.2								0.02727	0.00909			
40.3									0.02727			
41.2									0.02727			
41.3										0.02727		
42.2									0.00909			
43.2									0.01818			
43.3										0.00909		
44.2									0.02727			
46.2									0.01818			
47.2									0.00909			

Table 1 (Continued)

Allele	DXS10148	DXS10135	DXS8378	DXS7132	DXS10079	DXS10074	DXS10103	HPRTB	DXS10101	DXS10146	DXS10134	DXS7423
MF	0.02273	0.02273	0.02273	0.02273	0.02273	0.02273	0.02273	0.02273	0.02273	0.02273	0.02273	0.02273
PIC	0.80785	0.92453	0.62898	0.67888	0.81153	0.83221	0.73107	0.75182	0.88748	0.87886	0.84366	0.61103
PDm	0.82876	0.92893	0.69140	0.72612	0.83025	0.85025	0.76975	0.78380	0.89620	0.88893	0.85868	0.66364
MECt	0.80785	0.92453	0.62898	0.67888	0.81153	0.83221	0.73107	0.75182	0.88748	0.87886	0.84366	0.61103
MECd	0.69426	0.86429	0.48276	0.53738	0.69971	0.72548	0.59611	0.62190	0.80605	0.79317	0.74284	0.46433
Hap.	Haplotype 1			Haplotype 2			Haplotype 3			Haplotype 4		
Maj. Hap. Freq.	0.02727			0.06364			0.03636			0.03636		
PIC	0.98762			0.97963			0.98287			0.98525		
PD	0.98777			0.98000			0.98314			0.98545		
MECt	0.98762			0.97963			0.98287			0.98525		
MECd	0.97571			0.96063			0.96664			0.97119		

four linkage groups present on X chromosome using Argus X-12 kit (Qiagen). The statistical analysis confirms its usefulness in paternity and forensic cases in the population studied.

Conflict of interest

None.

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