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A Basque Country autochthonous population study of 11 Y-chromosome STR loci

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Ab ac

Haplotype, allele frequencies and population data of 11 Y-chromosome STR loci DYS19, DYS385, DYS389I, DYS389II, DYS390, DYS391, DYS392, DYS393, DYS438 and DYS439 were determined from a sample of 168 unrelated autochthonous male individuals from the Basque Country. The eight surnames and birth places of the grandparents of all analyzed individuals were of Basque origin. A total of 89 haplotypes were identified by the 11 Y-STR loci. The haplotype diversity (97.49%) and discrimination capacity (52.98%) were calculated. Comparisons were made with previously published haplotype data on other Iberian population samples and significant differences were found.

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P a : Blood samples were obtained from unrelated healthy autochthonous Basque donors.

N: 168.

E ac : DNA was extracted from blood by a standard phenol/chloroform extraction procedure and quantified by slot-blot hybridization using the Quantiblot¹ Human DNA Quantitation kit (Applied-Biosystems, Foster City, CA).

PCR: PCR amplification was performed using at least 1 ng target DNA in a 25 µl final reaction volume. The loci DYS19, DYS385, DYS389I, DYS389II, DYS390, DYS391, DYS392, DYS393, DYS438 and DYS439 were analyzed by using the Y-Plex 6TM and Y-Plex 5TM kits (Reliagene, New Orleans, LA) following the amplification conditions recommended by the manufacturer.

D c : The ABI310 and ABI377 sequencers (Applied-Biosystems, Foster City, CA) were used for genetic typing.

Q a c : The proficiency was successfully achieved by the proficiency testing of the GEP-ISFG working group [1] and the Y-STR haplotyping quality assurance exercise 2003 (<http://www.ystr.org>) for the markers included in this study.

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A a a a: Haplotype and allele frequencies were estimated by gene counting. Gene and haplotype

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Table 2

List of 89 Y-chromosome STR haplotypes detected in 168 unrelated autochthonous males from the Basque Country

Haplotypes	DYS19	DYS385	DYS389 I	DYS389 II	DYS390	DYS391	DYS392	DYS393	DYS438	DYS439	N
H1	12	11, 15	13	30	24	10	13	13	12	13	1
H2	13	11, 14	12	29	24	10	13	15	12	13	1
H3	13	11, 14	14	30	25	11	12	13	12	12	1
H4	13	11, 14	14	31	24	10	13	13	12	11	1
H5	13	11, 14	16	32	23	11	13	13	12	11	1
H6	13	13, 14	14	30	24	9	11	13	10	11	1
H7	13	15, 17	13	30	23	10	11	13	10	12	1
H8	13	15, 18	13	31	24	11	11	13	10	13	1
H9	13	16, 17	13	31	24	11	11	13	10	12	1
H10	13	16, 19	13	30	25	10	11	13	10	12	1
H11	13	17, 18	12	29	25	10	11	12	10	11	1
H12	14	10, 11	13	29	23	11	13	13	12	13	1
H13	14	11, 11	13	29	25	9	13	14	12	12	1
H14	14	11, 11	14	30	23	10	13	13	12	13	3
H15	14	11, 11	14	30	23	11	13	13	12	12	1
H16	14	11, 11	14	30	23	11	13	13	12	13	1
H17	14	11, 11	14	30	24	10	13	13	12	12	1
H18	14	11, 12	13	29	25	11	13	13	12	11	1
H19	14	11, 13	12	28	24	11	13	13	12	12	2
H20	14	11, 13	13	29	24	10	13	12	12	13	1
H21	14	11, 13	13	29	25	10	13	12	12	13	1
H22	14	11, 13	14	30	24	10	13	13	12	12	1
H23	14	11, 13	14	30	24	11	13	13	12	11	1
H24	14	11, 14	12	28	24	11	13	13	12	11	3
H25	14	11, 14	12	28	24	11	13	13	12	12	7
H26	14	11, 14	12	28	24	11	13	13	13	12	1
H27	14	11, 14	12	28	24	11	14	13	12	12	2
H28	14	11, 14	12	28	24	12	13	13	12	12	1
H29	14	11, 14	13	29	23	10	13	13	12	11	1
H30	14	11, 14	13	29	23	10	13	13	12	12	2
H31	14	11, 14	13	29	23	11	13	13	12	12	1
H32	14	11, 14	13	29	24	10	13	13	12	12	5
H33	14	11, 14	13	29	24	11	13	13	12	11	8
H34	14	11, 14	13	29	24	11	13	13	12	12	21
H35	14	11, 14	13	29	24	11	13	13	12	13	2
H36	14	11, 14	13	29	24	11	13	13	12	14	1
H37	14	11, 14	13	29	24	11	13	14	12	12	3
H38	14	11, 14	13	29	24	11	13	15	12	11	1
H39	14	11, 14	13	29	25	10	13	13	12	12	2
H40	14	11, 14	13	29	25	11	13	13	12	12	1
H41	14	11, 14	13	30	24	11	13	13	12	11	2
H42	14	11, 14	13	30	24	11	13	13	12	12	5
H43	14	11, 14	13	30	24	11	13	13	13	12	1
H44	14	11, 14	14	30	23	11	13	13	12	13	1
H45	14	11, 14	14	30	23	11	13	14	12	13	2
H46	14	11, 14	14	30	24	10	13	13	12	11	1
H47	14	11, 14	14	30	24	10	13	13	12	12	2
H48	14	11, 14	14	30	24	10	14	13	12	12	1
H49	14	11, 14	14	30	24	10	13	13	12	12	1
H50	14	11, 14	14	30	24	11	13	13	12	11	8
H51	14	11, 14	14	30	24	11	13	13	12	12	1
H52	14	11, 14	14	30	25	11	13	13	12	12	1
H53	14	11, 14	14	31	24	10	13	13	12	11	2
H54	14	11, 14	14	31	24	10	13	13	12	12	3
H55	14	11, 14	14	31	24	11	13	13	12	12	2
H56	14	11, 15	12	28	23	11	13	14	12	13	1
H57	14	11, 15	13	30	24	12	13	13	12	12	1

and DYS393 [7], resulted in a low non-significant R_{st} value ($R_{st} = 0.00402$; $P = 0.35135 \pm 0.0642$).

AMOVA results (grouping Spain and northern Portugal in one group and Basques in another) revealed a high percentage of variation among groups (5.61%; $P < 0.0001$).

In conclusion, a Basque Country Y-STR haplotype database should be used in the forensics field rather than a general Spanish population one, in clear contrast to what was until now observed for other Iberian samples (either from Portugal or Spain).

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