Prediction of the Y-Chromosome Haplogroups Within a Recently Settled Turkish Population in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

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ABSTRACT

Analysis of Y-chromosome haplogroup distribution is widely used when investigating geographical clustering of different populations, which is why it plays an important role in population genetics, human migration patterns and even in forensic investigations. Individual determination of these haplogroups is mostly based on the analysis of single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) markers located in the non-recombining part of Y-chromosome (NRY). On the other hand, the number of forensic and anthropology studies investigating short tandem repeats on the Y-chromosome (Y-STRs) increases rapidly every year. During the last few years, these markers have been successfully used as haplogroup prediction methods, which is why they have been used in this study. Previously obtained Y-STR haplotypes (23 loci) from 100 unrelated Turkish males recently settled in Sarajevo were used for the determination of haplogroups via 'Whit Athey's Haplogroup Predictor' software. The Bayesian probability of 90 of the studied haplotypes is greater than 92.2% and ranges from 51.4% to 84.3% for the remaining 10 haplotypes. A distribution of 17 different haplogroups was found, with the Yhaplogroup J2a being most prevalent, having been found in 26% of all the samples, whereas R1b, G2a and R1a were less prevalent, covering a range of 10% to 15% of all the samples. Together, these four haplogroups account for 63% of all Ychromosomes. Eleven haplogroups (E1b1b, G1, I1, I2a, I2b, J1, J2b, L, Q, R2, and T) range from 2% to 5%, while E1b1a and N are found in 1% of all samples. Obtained results indicate that a large majority of the Turkish paternal line belongs to West Asia, Europe Caucasus, Western Europe, Northeast Europe, Middle East, Russia, Anatolia, and Black Sea Ychromosome lineages. As the distribution of Y-chromosome haplogroups is consistent with the previously published data for the Turkish population residing in Turkey, it was concluded that the analyzed population could also be recognized as a representative sample of the Turkish population residing in Turkey.

Key words: Y-STRs, Y-SNPs, Y-chromosome, haplotypes, haplogroup predictor, Turkish population

Introduction

The Y-chromosomal non-recombining segment (NRY) provides essential information for human population studies¹. It serves as an exceptionally effective tool in historical and demographic studies, which is used by anthropologists and geneticists for those purposes². Y-chromosomal

short tandem repeats (Y-STRs) are investigated more and more each year. However, in order to determine their applicability in forensic and anthropological research, an even higher number of diverse populations should be studied³. The application of these markers ranges from paternity testing and male kinship analysis to evolutionary and human migration studies⁴.

Biallelic markers located on the NRY determine lineages that are referred to as haplogroups, and are defined as a group or a family of Y-chromosomes which are ancestrally related⁵⁻⁷. The usage of Y-STRs enables determination of male contributions by estimating Y-chromosome admixtures. Because of the low effective population size⁸. as well as the high reproductive variability of male individuals⁹, the higher susceptibility of the Y-chromosome to genetic drift compared to mtDNA, X-chromosome, and autosomal chromosomes needs to be considered. Therefore, in order to determine admixture estimates for males, methods that assess the impact of genetic drift should be preferred. Furthermore, Y-chromosome haplogroups are of increasing significance in the latest studies. However, determining them by the application of single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) can be costly, which is why the prediction of haplogroups by using Y-STRs is the method of choice¹⁰.

In this study, major Y-chromosome haplogroup frequencies were estimated from the collected Y-STR data via Whit Athey's Haplogroup Predictor, which is based on a Bayesian-allele-frequency approach. The program calculates the probability of a Y-STR haplotype which can be found within a haplogroup¹¹. Y-STR data of 100 Turkish individuals residing in Sarajevo as a representative sample of the Turkish population were used to estimate the frequency of major Y-chromosome haplogroups. The aim of the study was to provide the haplogroup prediction and distributions in the Turkish population.

Materials and Methods

Haplotype data, based on 23 Y-chromosomal STR loci typed using PowerPlex Y23 system, obtained from 100 unrelated Turkish males residing in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina (B&H)¹², was used for the prediction of Y-chromosome haplogroups. Geographic origin of individu-

als tested in this research is represented in Figure 1 and it shows that examined persons are originating from different parts of Turkey, making this population truly representative sample of Turkish population. Prediction of Y-chromosome haplogroups from Y-STR values was performed using Whit Athey's Haplogroup Predictor Program v.5, which is based on a Bayesian-allele-frequency approach¹¹. Twenty three Y-STR markers were an input and the Bayesian probability for each haplogroup was estimated as an output. The Y-haplogroup nomenclature used in this research is in accordance with the recommendations of the Y-Chromosome Consortium⁷.

Results and Discussion

The previous genetic analysis of 100 Turkish male DNA samples yielded 100 different haplotypes, that is, all profiles appeared only once¹². That population was analyzed in the present study. Y-chromosome haplogroups of Turkish population residing in Sarajevo, B&H, were predicted from Y-STR data by the use of Haplogroup Predictor program. The Y-haplogroup distribution in the study population is illustrated (Figure 2). A more detailed insight into the results of the study is demonstrated via sublineage frequencies within the main Y-chromosome haplogroups (Figure 3). Seventeen different haplogroups were found (Figure 2). Four of them, namely J2a, R1b, G2a, and R1a, occurred at high frequencies (>10%). These four haplogroups alone account for 63% of all Y-chromosome haplogroups in the study population. The remaining 13 haplogroups, namely E1b1a, E1b1b, G1, I1, I2a, I2b, J1, J2b, L, N, Q, R2, and T, were present in low frequencies, representing 1–5% of all haplogroups. The Bayesian probability of accurate haplogroup prediction for 90 haplotypes was greater than 92.2%, and that of the remaining 10 haplotypes ranged from 51.4 to 84.3% (Table 1). Additionally, haplotypes which were used in the research and predicted haplogroups are illustrated (Table 1).

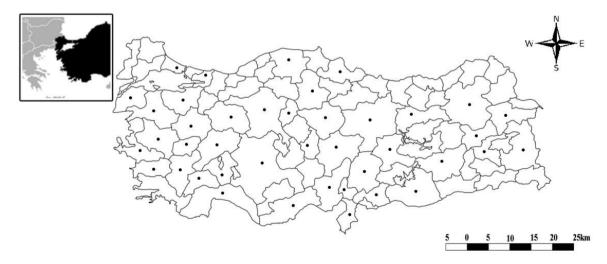


Fig. 1. City locations of birth places of donors from Turkey are marked by full circles in the city area.

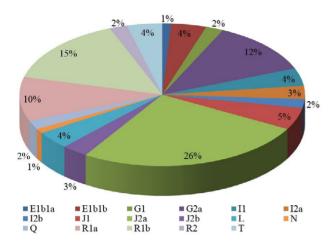


Fig. 2. Schematic representation of Y-haplogroup frequencies in the Turkish population residing in Sarajevo, B&H.

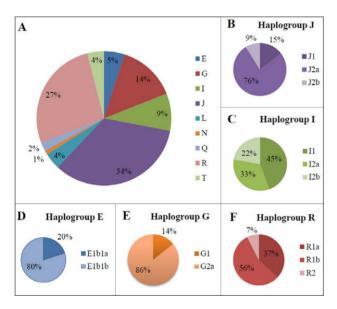


Fig. 3. Frequencies of the main Y chromosome haplogroups found in the Turkish population residing in Bosnia and Herzegovina (A), and frequencies of the sublineages of the haplogroups J (B), I (C), E (D), G (E), and R (F).

Haplogroup J2 represents 29% of all, with its first sublineage haplogroup J2a having the highest Y-lineage prevalence of 26% and its second sublineage, J2b, accounting for the remaining 3%. Previous research on Y-chromosome haplogroups suggested that the J haplogroup originates from the Middle East, and that it was introduced in the European gene pool by migrations during and after Neolithic period¹³. This haplogroup is referred to as the haplogroup of »Early Farmers« who survived the Last Glacial Maximum in Asia and Africa and brought farming to the European continent 10,000–9,000 years ago¹⁴. Its two sublineages J1 and J2 can be identified by transversion mutations M267 and M172, respectively. In the general

Turkish population, the frequency of J2 haplogroup was found to be 24% with an even distribution throughout the country¹⁵.

This points to the fact that the current results are in accordance with the previous study of Turkish populations in Turkey. Apart from its prevalence in the Turkish population, J2 haplogroup is present in high frequency in many neighboring countries, such as Iraq, Lebanon, Syria, Armenia, and Georgia. Within Europe, this haplogroup is present in Italy and the Balkan countries^{16,17}.

Haplogroup R1b, which originated in West Asia¹⁸, was the second most frequent haplogroup in the study population, with a prevalence of 15%. Furthermore, R1a accounts for 10%, thus making R1 widely spread in the investigated population with a frequency of 25%. A previous study of Turkish population in Turkey yielded similar results, as it demonstrated that R1 accounted for 21.6% In Western Europe. R1b is the most frequent Y-haplogroup. with an occurrence of 70%. On the other hand, R1a haplogroup demonstrates a trend of increased frequency from west to east, with the highest frequencies in the populations of Eastern Europe, namely Polish (56.4%), Hungarian (60%), and Ukrainian (54%)19. Such observations are expected if the latest findings on this topic are considered. Primorac et al (2011) stated that R haplogroup came from Asia into Eurasia region before J2 haplogroup, that is, approximately 15,000-10,000 years ago during Mesolithic time.

G2a is the third most frequently found haplogroup in the Turkish population with a frequency of 12%. This sublineage is mostly expanded to the Anatolian, Caucasus and European regions during the upper Paleolithic era^{11,15}. Additionally, G1 accounted for 2%, thus making G present in 14% of the study population. In a previous investigation of Turkish population residing in Turkey, G1 and G2a haplogroups together were accounting for 10.9% of all haplogroups¹⁵. This haplogroup was also observed in the neighboring countries, since G-M201 lineages accounted for ~30% in Georgia¹⁹ and the north Caucasus²⁰. It was also present in Southeast Europe, the Mediterranean¹⁹. and Iraq²¹. G2-P15 lineages were observed in the Middle East with a maximum of 19% in the Druze population²², as well as in Southern Europe with an average of 5% in Italy and Greece²³.

When Turkish population residing in Sarajevo, B&H is compared with native Bosnian-Herzegovinian population, numerous differences can be observed. In the study of representative population in B&H¹³, the most frequent haplogroups were haplogroup I with an average frequency of 48.7%, followed by haplogroups E (approximately 15%) and R (around 14%). The first difference between these two populations is much higher prevalence of the dominant haplogroups in Bosnian-Herzegovinian population than it is the case with Turkish population. The second difference is the structure of haplogroups themselves. Haplogroups E, I and R are characteristic for the countries of the Balkan region and, therefore, suggest that Bosnian-Herzegovinian population is genetically diverse from Turkish population.

 $\begin{tabular}{l} \textbf{TABLE 1}\\ \textbf{Y-STR HAPLOTYPES, PREDICTIONS OF Y-HAPLOGROUP AND PROBABILITY IN TURKISH POPULATION (TP)}\\ \textbf{(N=100) RESIDING IN BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA} \end{tabular}$

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Y003	20	13	19	29	14	11	22	12	12	12	15	16	23	24	12	13	10	12	15	11.14	16	12	R1b	100	1
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Y007	20	12	20	29	15	11	21	12	9	10	16	18	21	22	12	11	11	14	17	13.14	15	13	G2a	100	1
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In light of the presented results as well as their accordance with the previous studies, it can be concluded that the Turkish population residing in Sarajevo, B&H is of marked resemblance to the Turkish population living in Turkey and, therefore, can be considered a representative sample of Turkish population. When taking the distribution of its haplogroups into consideration, particularly since the haplogroup with the highest frequency accounts for only 26% of all haplogroups observed, it can be concluded that the Turkish population is significantly heterogenous. Since Y-chromosome haplogroups can be used for the purposes of tracing history and migrations, this study provides an insight into the origins of the Turkish population. The presence of R1b haplogroup implies that the

gion of modern Turkey has been inhabited as far as during Mesolithic time, while the presence of J2 haplogroup implies that farming during the Neolithic time intensively took place in this area. However, haplogroup I with all its sublineages accounts for only 9% of all haplogroups identified in the Turkish population. Based on the aforementioned analyses of the heterogeneity of the Turkish population, it is clear that Y-chromosomal SNPs represent an important tool for tracing history and discovering migration patterns that shaped modern population. It is also important to note that, in addition to the results provided with this study, another study of Turkish population, possibly with a larger study cohort, would definitely provide interesting results and perhaps even new discoveries.

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PREDVIĐANJE HAPLOGRUPA Y-KROMOSOMA UNUTAR NEDAVNO USELJENE TURSKE POPULACIJE U SARAJEVU (BIH)

SAŽETAK

Analiza distribucije haplogrupe Y-kromosoma se naširoko koristi prilikom istrage geografskih skupina različitih populacija, zbog čega ona ima važnu ulogu u populacijskoj genetici, obrascima migracija ljudi pa čak i u forenzičkim istragama. Pojedinačno određivanje tih haplogroupa uglavnom se temelji na analizi markera polimorfizma jednostrukog nukleotida (SNP) koji se nalazi dijela Y kromosoma (NRY) koji se ne spaja. S druge strane, svake godine se naglo povećava broj forenzičkih i antropoloških studija koje su istraživale kratke tandemska ponavljanja na Y-kromosomu (Y-STR). Tijekom posljednjih nekoliko godina, ovi markeri su se uspješno koristili kao metoda predviđanja haplogroupa, zbog čega su korišteni u ovom istraživanju. Prethodno dobiveni Y-STR haplotipovi (23 loci), od 100 nesrodnih turskih muškaraca koji su nedavno doselili u Sarajevo, su korišteni za određivanje haplogroupa pomoću softwarea »Whit Athey's haplogroup predictor«, Bayesovska vjerojatnost od 90 istraživanih haplotipova je veća od 92,2%, a kreće se od 51,4% do 84,3% za preostalih 10 haplotipova. Pronađen je distribucija od 17 različitih haplogroupa, od kojih je Y-haplogroupa J2a najviše rasprostraniena, a pronađena je u 26% svih uzoraka, Y-haplogrupe R1b, G2a i R1a su manje rasprostranjen, a pokrivaju raspon od 10% do 15% svih uzoraka. Zajedno, ove četiri haplogroupe čine 63% svih Y kromosoma. Jedanaest haplogroups (E1b1b, G1, I1, I2a, I2b, J1, J2B, L, Q, R2 i T) u rasponu od 2% do 5%, dok E1b1a i N se nalaze u 1% svih uzoraka. Dobiveni rezultati ukazuju na to da je velika većina turske očinske linije pripada lozi Y-kromosoma zapadne Aziji, europskog Kavkazu, zapadne Europi, sjeveroistoka Europe, Bliskog istoka, Rusije, Anadolije i Crnog mora. Kako je raspodjela haplogroupa Y-kromosoma u skladu s ranije objavljenim podacima za tursko stanovništva koji žive u Turskoj, zaključeno je da analizirane populacije također mogu biti prepoznate kao reprezentativni uzorak turskog stanovništva koji živi u Turskoj.