Ethnic-Difference Markers for Use in Mapping by Admixture Linkage Disequilibrium

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Mapping by admixture linkage disequilibrium (MALD) is a potentially powerful technique for the mapping of complex genetic diseases. The practical requirements of this method include (*a*) a set of markers spanning the genome that have large allele-frequency differences between the parental ethnicities contributing to the admixed population and (*b*) an understanding of the extent of admixture in the study population. To this end, a DNA-pooling technique was used to screen microsatellite and diallelic insertion/deletion markers for allele-frequency differences between putative representatives of the parental populations of the admixed Mexican American (MA) and African American (AA) populations. Markers with promising pooled differences were then confirmed by individual genotyping in both the parental and admixed populations. For the MA population, screening of >600 markers identified 151 ethnic-difference markers (EDMs) with $\delta > 0.30$ (where δ is the absolute value of each allele-frequency difference between two populations, summed over all marker alleles and divided by two) that are likely to be useful for MALD analysis. For the AA population, analysis of >400 markers identified 97 EDMs. In addition, individual genotyping of these markers in Pima Amerindians, Yavapai Amerindians, European American (EA) individuals, Africans from Zimbabwe, MA individuals, and AA individuals, as well as comparison to the CEPH genotyping set, suggests that the differences between subpopulations of an ethnicity are small for many markers with large interethnic differences. Estimates of admixture that are based on individual genotyping of these markers are consistent with a 60% EA:40% Amerindian contribution to MA populations and with a 20% EA:80% African contribution to AA populations. Taken together, these data suggest that EDMs with large interpopulation and small intrapopulation differences can be readily identified for MALD studies in both AA and MA populations.

Introduction

Mapping by admixture linkage disequilibrium (MALD) is a developing tool for application to the field of human complex genetic disease. MALD is based on the concept that, when admixture occurs between two populations, linkage disequilibrium (LD) is initially created between all loci that have large allele-frequency differences between the two populations. With successive admixed generations, the LD between unlinked loci quickly decays, whereas the LD between linked markers persists for many more generations. Thus, a recently admixed population will have much larger regions of LD between loci than are seen in a standard population (Rife 1954;

Chakraborty 1986; Briscoe et al. 1994; Stephens et al. 1994). If any disease-susceptibility alleles or disease-protective alleles are present in a sufficiently different frequency distribution in the parental populations, then MALD can be used to map the susceptibility gene or protective gene in the admixed population. The greater LD in the admixed population will thus theoretically translate into less demanding requirements for both marker saturation and sample size (Stephens et al. 1994; McKeigue 1998). Present-day Mexican American (MA) and African American (AA) populations are thought to be appropriate admixed populations for this type of analysis (Stephens et al. 1994; Zheng and Elston 1999). Indeed, LD has been shown to be detectable for ≤30 cM in the AA population (Lautenberger et al. 2000).

The importance of MALD as a generally applicable tool for identification of genes contributing to complex genetic disease is currently unclear. MALD has been evaluated theoretically and has been suggested as being an approach potentially more powerful than a standard association study (Briscoe et al. 1994; Parra et al. 1998). Association-based genome scans

are likely to require substantially more than 50,000 markers. Although screens of this magnitude are becoming more and more feasible, MALD presents an attractive alternative, since only 500–2,000 markers are believed to be required for sufficient power (Stephens et al. 1994; McKeigue 1998). However, MALD suffers from some disadvantages, compared with association studies in general populations. MALD can map only disease-associated alleles that are present in different frequencies in the two parental populations, and the increased regions of LD may hinder fine-scale mapping.

Compared with general association studies, MALD has the important advantage of not being deterred by multiple independent mutational events, since only an allele's ethnic identity is used in computations. General association studies have been criticized because of their significantly decreased power in the presence of allelic heterogeneity, especially since allelic heterogeneity is likely to be very common in complex genetic diseases (Terwilliger and Weiss 1998). Furthermore, MALD has the potential to map genes that, within a nonadmixed population, are not sufficiently polymorphic to be detected by either association or linkage studies. In addition, modeling studies suggest that multiple waves of parental contribution to the admixed population, such as those suggested for the AA population, may enhance, rather than retard, the ability of MALD to identify chromosomal regions of interest with regard to a given complex disease (Pfaff et al. 2001). However, several assumptions inherent in the application of MALD have not been adequately addressed, and the validation of these assumptions will be a necessary prerequisite before the method can be used on a genomewide basis to map disease-susceptibility loci.

MALD requires a set of polymorphic markers covering the genome that have large frequency differences between parental ethnicities. A commonly used measure of this difference is δ—the absolute value of each allele-frequency difference between two populations, summed over all marker alleles and divided by two. Thus, markers with large δ's between the European American (EA) and the African (AF) populations will be required for use in MALD analysis of the AA population, and markers with large δ's between the EA and the Amerindian (AI) populations will be required for use in MALD analysis of the MA population. Several investigators have suggested that markers with δ > 0.30 will be useful for MALD (Stephens et al. 1994; Shriver et al. 1997), although recent simulations suggest that genomewide studies of complex disease may require markers with even greater differences (McKeigue 1998; McKeigue et al. 2000). Thus, the first assumption of the MALD approach is that a set of such markers can be identified. Here we report a large-scale screen of microsatellite and diallelic short insertion/deletion polymorphism (SIDP) markers that uses a DNA-pooling method followed by individual genotyping for confirmation. We identified 97 markers with δ > 0.30 between the EA and the AF populations and 151 markers with δ > 0.30 between the EA and the AI populations. These markers (i.e., ethnic-difference markers [EDMs]) should be very useful in both further theoretical evaluation of the MALD method and actual application of MALD to genome-wide studies.

The second requirement of the MALD method is that the putative EDMs can be used to determine the contribution of the parental populations to each chromosomal region of the admixed population. In practice, this means providing some evidence (*a*) that the set of EDM markers distinguish between the likely parental contributors (e.g., AF individuals from western Africa and EA individuals) to the admixed population (e.g., the AA population) and (*b*) that a mixture of the putative parental contributors can adequately describe the admixed population. For this to be true, there must not have been significant divergence in the EDM allele frequencies of each parental ethnicity since the time it contributed to the admixed ethnicity. In addition, there must be only small differences within any of the original parental populations that contributed to the admixed population. Here, by individually genotyping Pima AI individuals, Yavapai AI individuals, EA individuals, AF individuals from Zimbabwe, MA individuals, and AA individuals and comparing to the CEPH genotyping-set data, we are able to address both these assumptions. In addition, both microsatellite and SIDP EDMs are used to estimate the admixture proportions in present-day MA and AA populations.

Material and Methods

Collection of Samples

Blood- or buccal-cell samples were obtained from all individuals, according to protocols and informed-consent procedures approved by institutional review boards, and were labeled with an anonymous code number. None of the individuals were first-degree relatives of each other, and ethnicities were self-described. In the MA and AA samples, all individuals had no known parents or grandparents whom they would describe as being of direct European, AI, or AF heritage. The MA and EA individuals were random volunteers from northern California. For AA individuals, ~75% of samples were volunteers from northern California, and ~25% were from a wide distribution of other geographic locations in the United States. AI individuals used for individual genotyping were either Yavapai (a Yuman-speaking tribe of southwestern Arizona; samples were kindly donated by

Dr. David Smith of the University of California, Davis), or Pima from Arizona (samples provided by R.L.H. and W.C.K.). AF samples were from Zimbabwe Shona (a Bantu-speaking group) and were supplied by R.C. according to National Institutes of Health guidelines. In addition, genotyping data from the CEPH sets of families from France and Utah were examined (see the Web site of the Fondation Jean Dausset CEPH).

DNA Isolation and Pooling

DNA was isolated from blood and serum samples by QIAamp DNA Blood Mini Kits (Qiagen); DNA was isolated from buccal swabs by a simple NaOH method, as described elsewhere (Bali et al. 1999). All markers were first examined for differences between DNA pools, and promising markers were then confirmed by individual genotyping. In previous studies, DNA pools have been shown to be accurate in estimating the allele-frequency differences between two sets of 50–200 individuals (Collins et al. 2000). DNA samples to be pooled were quantified in microtiter trays, by PicoGreen fluorescence assay (Molecular Probes) and the FMBIO II fluorescence reader (Hitachi). Pools were constructed by the BIOMEK 2000 (Beckman) robot and consisted of nanogram-equal aliquots from each sample. AA, MA, EA, and AF pools each contained 200 individuals, whereas the AI pool contained 48 Pima individuals (Yavapai AI samples were not used in DNA pools because their quantities were insufficient). The final concentration of each pool was then confirmed by PicoGreen fluorescence assay, and all pools were diluted to 1 ng/μl, by a solution of 10 mM Tris and 1 mM EDTA.

Marker Sets and PCR Conditions

Markers screened included subsets of the Marshfield screening set 8A, the ABI PRISM linkage-mapping set, unlabeled SIDPs supplied by Marshfield, and other microsatellite and SIDP markers available from other projects in our laboratories (see the Web site of the Center for Medical Genetics, Marshfield Medical Research Foundation). A small subset of SIDP markers was specifically included in this screen because of results of preliminary genotyping done by Marshfield on a small number of Amazonian AI and EA individuals. In addition, 50 microsatellites were included in the screen because a comparison between the CEPH data set and the results of the genotyping of AI individuals suggested a potential difference. A list of all markers screened that gave negative results is available on request. All markers were screened under the following conditions: extension for 3 min at 95°C; 32 cycles of 45 s at 95°C, 1 min 30 s at 58°C, and 45 s at 72°C; and, finally, extension for 6 min at 72°C. PCR was performed in 384-well plates (Phenix Research Products) and consisted of 0.5 μl of PCR buf-

fer, 0.7 μl of 2.5 mM dNTP mix (Pharmacia & Upjohn), 0.05 μl cDNA polymerase (Clonetech Advantage), 0.1 μl of 10 μM primer mix, 2.65 μl of ddH$_2$0, and 1 μl of 1 ng of DNA/μl, for total reaction volume of 5 μl. For the majority of markers, fluorescently tagged primers were used, but, for the unlabeled set of SIDPs supplied by Marshfield, fluorescent dUTPs (ABI PRISM) were added as one-third of the dNTP mix. PCR was performed in a 9700 GeneAmp PCR System, and PCR products were electrophoresed on a 3700 DNA Analyzer (PE Applied Biosystems).

Data Analysis

The total allele-frequency difference between ethnic pools was estimated by calculation of a total allele content difference (ΔTAC) value (Collins et al. 2000). In brief, the peak height of each allele within a pooled electrophoretogram profile is calculated as a percentage of that total pool. The two pools are then compared, and, for each allele, the absolute value of the difference in peak-height percentages is calculated. These values are divided by two and are summed, to obtain the ΔTAC value, which has been shown to have a strong correlation ($r = 0.975$) with the δ value, for comparisons between pools of 200 (Collins et al. 2000). A simple program (PoolTool) to perform this analysis was created. For the majority of markers, all ethnicities were examined, although, later in the screening process, markers were examined only for parental ethnicities, since preliminary data had confirmed the validity of the pooling method. If a marker did not amplify under the standard conditions, it was not further analyzed. If a marker had a ΔTAC value of <30%, it was not further examined by individual genotyping.

In the majority of cases, markers with ΔTAC values >30% were then examined by individual genotyping for the ethnic comparison in which they were promising. Minimum genotyping for EDMs included 50 individuals of each parental and admixed ethnicity, although the average was ~85 for EA individuals and AF individuals, ~150 for MA individuals and AA individuals, and ~65 for AI individuals.

Genomic Positions

The approximate megabase position for each EDM was determined by use of the Human Genome Browser (J. Kent, University of California, Santa Cruz), based on the August 6, 2001 human-genome draft assembly (see the Web site of the UCSC Human Genome Project Working Draft). For many markers not found in initial search, GenBank accession numbers of sequences within short (i.e., <50-kb) contigs were used. For some markers, approximate positions were determined by analysis of alternate genetic markers closely linked on the Marshfield

genetic maps. Genetic-map positions either were determined on the basis of the Marshfield maps or were placed on this map on the basis of sequence location; in the latter case, map positions were approximated by analysis of the genetic-map position of markers physically located within 1 Mb of the marker in question.

Statistical Analysis

In addition to examination of the δ values for microsatellite EDMs, also, for the specific analyses described below, the microsatellites were converted to diallelic markers and then were reexamined. This conversion was performed by grouping alleles on the basis of their frequencies in the parental ethnic groups, to maximize the ethnic difference. This is a modification of a collapsing method devised for analysis by the transmission/disequilibrium test (Kaplan et al. 1998), and it removes artificial differences due to small numbers of individuals typed for rare alleles. In addition, it greatly simplifies the data, making comparisons and statistical analysis much more straightforward. This transformation also allowed examination of whether, between subpopulations, there were frequency differences in ethnically informative alleles. In brief, a separate allele grouping was performed for each marker, for the EA:AF and EA:AI comparisons. An allele was included in the grouping (i.e., was considered ethnically informative) if (*a*) its highest frequency in either the admixed or either parental ethnicity was ≥30% greater than its lowest allele frequency or (*b*) it had an individual δ of 0.075. The alleles were then grouped into two categories, according to which parental ethnicity possessed the higher frequency.

To estimate the admixture proportions of the AA and MA samples, the observed allele frequencies were compared with their expectations at various specified admixture proportions. The expected allele frequencies were calculated by averaging the parental frequencies, weighting each for the proportion of admixture being assumed. A weighted-least-squares method was used to determine whether there was a statistically significant difference between the predicted allele frequencies and the observed data (Long 1991). For the microsatellites, the statistical calculation was performed after the data had been transformed to diallelic form. In addition, the best estimate of admixture contributions was calculated by estimation of χ, the proportion contributed from non-European sources. This was accomplished by minimizing the equation

$$\sum_{j=1}^{m} \sum_{i=1}^{n} [\chi P_i^{\mathrm{A}} + (1 - \chi) P_i^{\mathrm{EA}} - P_i^{\mathrm{B}}]^2 \ ,$$

where P_i^{A} is the individual allele frequency in either the AF or the AI population, P_i^{EA} is the allele frequency in the EA population, P_i^{B} is the allele frequency in either

the AA or the MA population, χ is the contribution from either the AF or the AI population, *n* is the number of alleles, and *m* is the number of markers.

Confidence intervals (CIs) around this best fit were determined by a bootstrapping method using 1,000 simulations in which data sets were randomly generated on the basis of our genotyping results.

Results

Identification of EDMs

For identification of EDMs, microsatellites and SIDPs were examined in DNA pools of EA, AI, AF, MA, and AA individuals. The screen of 603 markers in EA individuals and AI individuals identified 151 EDMs (δ > 0.30), and a screen of 413 markers in EA and AF individuals identified 97 EDMs. These microsatellite and SIDP markers are positioned throughout the genome, as shown in table 1. All EDMs were either confirmed by individual genotyping in both parental and admixed ethnicities (136 of 151 in the EA:AI comparison, 68 of 97 in the EA:AF comparison) or by a second pooled PCR comparison. For all EDMs, the δ between the admixed population and either parental population was intermediate between that of the δ between the two parental populations (table 1 and data not shown).

The number of markers examined and their respective δ values are summarized in table 2. Some of these markers were preselected on the basis of earlier results (see the "Marker Sets and PCR Conditions" subsection of the "Material and Methods" section, above); therefore the screen was slightly biased, and the percentages of EDM markers identified may be an overestimate of what would be expected in a truly random screen. To determine the percentage of EDMs that could be expected in a random screen, we examined sets of randomly selected markers screened for each ethnic comparison. A subset of 96 SIDP markers located on chromosomes 6 and 22 provided an unbiased estimate of the percentage of SIDP EDMs. In this subset, 14.6% of the markers had δ > 0.30, and 9.1% had δ > 0.40, between the EA and AI populations. Similarly, 12.5% of markers had δ > 0.30, and 8.2% had δ > 0.40, between the EA and AF populations. For microsatellites, percentages expected in a random screen were calculated on the basis of data for all markers reported in table 2, excluding the 50 preselected markers (for a total of 479 − 50 = 429 markers in the EA:AI comparison and 311 − 32 = 279 markers in the EA:AF comparison, since only 32 of the 50 markers had been examined in that comparison). In this subset, 21.7% had a δ > 0.30, and 13.9% had a δ > 0.40, in the EA:AI comparison. Similarly, 22.4% had a δ > 0.30, and 17.9% had a δ > 0.40, in the EA:AF comparison. A Web site titled "Ethnic Difference Marker (EDM) Allele Frequencies," displaying the allele fre-

Table 1

Positions and δ Values of EDMs Discovered in Genome Screen

MARKER	POSITION		δ BETWEEN POPULATIONS EA AND[a]			
	Megabase[b]	Centimorgan[c]	AI	MA	AF	AA
Chromosome 1:						
D1S468	4	4.0	.48	.19	ND	ND
D1S552	21	45.3	.32	.13	.43	.22
D1S1622	35	56.7	.58[†]	.38	ND	ND
D1S2134	55	75.6	.61	.29	ND	ND
D1S1728	95	109.0	.35	.15	.46	.29
D1S1595	184	161.1	.35	.11	ND	ND
D1S2635	188	165.6	.33	.20	.16[†]	ND
D1S2707	189	168.5	.31	.18	ND	ND
D1S2844	192	175.0	.53	.30	.23[†]	ND
D1S2878	195	177.9	.39	.20	.58	.55
D1S194	195	178.4	.32	.17	.15[†]	ND
D1S426	195	177.9	.24[†]	.11[†]	.69	.56
D1S2681	197[‡]	179.1	.50	.18	.39	.28
D1S518	220	202.2	.46	.32	.32	.29
D1S1678	238	218.4	ND	.10[†]	.35	.25
D1S2871	258	241.3	.47	.20	.31	.23
D1S439	262	242.3	.42	.25	.29[†]	ND
D1S1656	267	245.1	.34	ND	ND	ND
D1S251	269	245.1	.35	.17	.51	.42
D2S1400	12	27.6	ND	.07	.61	.36
Chromosome 2:						
D2S1360	18	38.3	.57	.29	.21[†]	ND
MID-366	31	48[§]	.41	.12	.71	.54
MID-426	39	56[§]	.36	.15	.23[†]	ND
D2S441	72	86.8	.33	.17	.15	.07
D2S2964	89	103.2	.32	ND	ND	ND
MID-55	117	123[§]	.45	.20	.11	.07
D2S1399	153	152.0	.73	.40	.29[†]	ND
D2S1776	175	173.0	.44	.25	.19[†]	ND
D2S117	204	194.4	ND	ND	.69[†]	.61[†]
MID-485	208.5	199[§]	.25	.21	.68	.51
D2S126	227[‡]	221.1	ND	.09	.56	.42[†]
D2S172	241	235.1	ND	ND	.44[†]	.39
D2S427	242	236.7	ND	ND	.40[†]	.30
D2S2193	242	236.7	.42	.19	ND	ND
MID-185	245	250.0[§]	.50	.21	.49	.36
Chromosome 3:						
D3S2387	3	5.5	.51[†]	.45	.26[†]	ND
D3S1050	6[‡]	14.5	.40	ND	ND	ND
D3S1768	41	61.5	.39	.21	.26[†]	ND
D3S1752	109	114.0	.43	ND	ND	ND
D3S3045	120	124.2	.66	.26	ND	ND
Chromosome 4:						
D4S391	30	43.6	.46	.31	.40[†]	.33[†]
D4S1645	68	72.5	.45	ND	ND	ND
D4S398	68	72.5	.27	.23	.47	.28
D4S3243	75	88.4	ND	.08[†]	.51	.37
D4S2361	92	93.5	.61[†]	.40[†]	.45[†]	.33
D4S2634	109	104.8	.32	ND	ND	ND
MID-52	110	106[§]	.57	.32	.23	.12
D4S3240	120	114.0	.56	ND	ND	ND
D4S2623	122	114[§]	.43	.14	.37	.32
D4S408	202	195.1	.36	.19	.25[†]	ND
Chromosome 5:						
D5S392	1	.0	.49	.27	ND	ND
D5S1473	26	36.3	.34	ND	ND	ND
D5S426	39	52.0	.24[†]	.11[†]	.45[†]	.39[†]

Table 1 (continued)

	Position		δ between Populations EA and[a]			
Marker	Megabase[b]	Centimorgan[c]	AI	MA	AF	AA
D5S1721	114	112.5	.50	ND	ND	ND
D5S1453	118	114.8	.57	.32	ND	ND
D5S2490	158[‡]	149.5	.64	ND	ND	ND
D5S820	173	159.8	.39	.25	ND	ND
D5S1471	185	172.1	.41	.18	ND	ND
D5S1478	130	129.8	.34	ND	ND	ND
Chromosome 6:						
D6S344	2	1.0	.34	.17	.37	.27
MID-206	3	9[§]	.08[†]	.00[†]	.80[†]	ND
SE30	4	9.2	.24[†]	.17[†]	.40	.22
MID-461	9	13.5[§]	.05[†]	.06[†]	.43[†]	ND
D6S1006	15	26.7	.52	ND	ND	ND
MID-514	19	32.5[§]	.33	.16	.26	.16
MID-533	21	34[§]	.21[†]	.15[†]	.32[†]	ND
D6S285	22	34.0	.16	.11	.31	.23
D6S461	27	40.1	.31	.21	.39	.34
D6S299	27	42.3	.20	.15	.39	.27
D6S276	28	44.4	.27[†]	.14[†]	.67	.62
D6S464	31	44.4	.20[†]	.15[†]	.47	.46
D6S306	32	44.4	.10[†]	.09	.55	.42
D6S2707	33	44.6[§]	.53	.18	.45	.35
D6S510	34	44.6[§]	.34	.15	ND	ND
M6S201	34	46[§]	.31	.22	.29[†]	ND
D6S2705	34	44.7[§]	.45	.24	.63	.45
M6S101	35	45[§]	.56	.27	.49	.38
D6S273	35	45.0	.28[†]	.19[†]	.32	.24
MID-108	36	45[§]	.45	.23	.12	.10
MID-104	36	45[§]	.42	.14	.15	.12
D6S1666	40	45.5	.12	.10	.45	.32
MID-439	43[‡]	49[§]	.30	.10	ND	ND
D6S291	43	49.5	ND	.07[†]	.40	.36
D6S1019	46	53.8	.33	ND	ND	ND
D6S1641	47	53.8	.10	.06	.37[†]	.30[†]
MID-248	54	66.4[§]	.23	.10[†]	.45	.29
MID-457	61	77[§]	.39	.20	.30	.29
D6S1043	106	100.9	.61	.24	.24[†]	ND
D6S1056	108	102.8	.43	.20	.25[†]	ND
MID-417	112	104[§]	.35	.12	.25	.20
MID-418	112	104[§]	.30	.08	ND	ND
MID-196	114	106[§]	.50	.26	.04	.07
D6S434	117	109.2	.43	.20	.31	.22
D6S1021	120	112.2	.48[†]	.19[†]	.40[†]	.35[†]
D6S287	136	122.0	.48	.34	.29	.27
MID-202	160	141[§]	.35	.10	.42	.37
D6S1003	163	144.5	.44	ND	ND	ND
MID-474	163	145[§]	.32	.11	.32	.21
GATA184A08	167	146.1	.36	.25	ND	ND
D6S2436	174	154.6	.30[†]	.22[†]	.60[†]	ND
D6S1035	180	164.8	.38	ND	ND	ND
MID-460	189	165[§]	.29	.17	.31	.27
MID-462	189	165[§]	.29	.17	.31	.26
MID-398	183	167[§]	.40	.17	.45	.40
D6S264	188	179.1	.33	.15	.37	.36
D6S1027	190	187.2	.61[†]	.34	.61	.45
MID-237	191	188[§]	.69	.26	.25	.17
MID-472	191	188[§]	.48	.16	.04[†]	ND

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	Position		δ between Populations EA and[a]			
Marker	Megabase[b]	Centimorgan[c]	AI	MA	AF	AA
Chromosome 7:						
MID-425	25	38[§]	.44	.22	.09	.12
D7S657	98	104.9	.40[†]	.20[†]	.58[†]	.53[†]
MID-271	109	112[§]	.35	ND	.09	.02[†]
D7S1822	136	129.6	.41	ND	ND	ND
D7S530	140	134.6	.33	.18	ND	ND
D7S1824	151	149.9	.40	.27	ND	ND
D7S2195	156	155.1	.49	.25	ND	ND
D7S3058	167	173.7	.10[†]	.16[†]	.43[†]	.33[†]
D8S277	9	8.3	.44	.26	.57	.49
Chromosome 8:						
D8S1106	16	26.4	.47	.21	.28[†]	ND
D8S1128	146	139.5	.47	.19	ND	ND
D8S284	149	143.8	ND	.12	.48[†]	.31[†]
D8S272	156	154.0	ND	ND	.42[†]	.38[†]
MID-476	22	34[§]	.51	.19	.40	.34
Chromosome 9:						
D9S741	27	42.7	.35	ND	ND	ND
D9S301	80	66.3	.55[†]	.30[†]	.15[†]	ND
D9S175	84	70.3	.25[†]	.13[†]	.54[†]	ND
D9S920	80	87.5	.35	ND	ND	ND
D9S922	89	80.3	.65	.28	.20[†]	ND
D9S1120	95	88.9	.31	ND	ND	ND
Chromosome 10:						
D10S466	21	46.2	.59	ND	ND	ND
D10S1221	60	75.6	.44	.21	.49[†]	ND
MID-122	81	95[§]	.38	.19	.12	.02
D10S677	104	117.4	.44	.19	.25[†]	ND
MID-170	121	130[§]	ND	.08	.41	.37
D10S169	144	173.0	.38	ND	ND	ND
Chromosome 11:						
D11S1984	1	2.1	.66	.24	ND	ND
D11S1999	11	17.2	.49	.18	ND	ND
D11S2365	62	58.4	.39	ND	ND	ND
D11S2000	121	100.6	ND	.28	ND	ND
D11S968	153	147.8	.38	ND	ND	ND
Chromosome 12:						
D12S391	14	26.2	.44	.20	ND	ND
D12S1042	30	48.7	.41	.15	ND	ND
D12S351	106	95.6	.15	.07	.42[†]	ND
D12S2070	133	125.3	.73	.31	ND	ND
D12S2082	135	130.9	.41	ND	ND	ND
D12S1045	151	160.7	.58	.25	ND	ND
Chromosome 13:						
MID-280	18	27[§]	.21	.13	.30	.25
D13S265	92	68.7	ND	.16	.51	.42
D13S779	104	82.9	.39	.24	.08[†]	ND
D13S173	112	93.5	.18[†]	.11[†]	.57[†]	.47[†]
Chromosome 14:						
D14S587	50	55.8	ND	.09	.33	.25
D14S745	54	57.4	.37	ND	ND	ND
MID-257	70	80[§]	.36	.11	.00	.02
Chromosome 15:						
MID-132	21	6[§]	.13	.18	.47	.33
D15S822	24	12.3	.64	.27	ND	ND
D15S165	27	20.2	ND	ND	.44	.26
D15S642	108	122.1	.37[†]	.26	.44[†]	.32[†]

Table 1 (continued)

MARKER	POSITION		δ BETWEEN POPULATIONS EA AND[a]			
	Megabase[b]	Centimorgan[c]	AI	MA	AF	AA
Chromosome 16:						
D16S764	18	30.0	.62	.21	.12[†]	ND
MID-225	21	35[§]	.41	.28	.55	.52
D16S416	61	66[§]	.09[†]	.07[†]	.61	.52
D16S2623	62	66.1	.50	ND	ND	ND
D16S3032	66	73.2	ND	.08	.51	.49
D16S3112	66	73.3[§]	.36	.20	.22[†]	ND
D16S3071	67	75.3	.29	.22	.38	.31
D16S422	99	111.1	.67	ND	ND	ND
D16S2621	102[‡]	130.4	.42	.22	.11[†]	ND
Chromosome 17:						
MID-278	69	84[§]	.08	.03	.64	.48
MID-286	72	86[§]	.52	.20	.12	.09
Chromosome 18:						
D18S976	6	12.8	ND	ND	.40[†]	.36[†]
MID-151	13	42.0	.07	ND	.39	.33
D18S1364	74	99.4	ND	ND	.45	.41
D18S541	81	106.8	.46	ND	ND	ND
D18S70	90	126.0	.46	ND	ND	ND
Chromosome 19:						
D19S221	16	36.2	.56	.25	.25[†]	.16[†]
D19S222	36	49.8	.35[†]	.16[†]	.42[†]	.39[†]
Chromosome 20:						
D20S103	1	2.1	.40	.21	ND	ND
D20S117	1	2.8	.38[†]	.29[†]	.37[†]	ND
MID-152	2	8[§]	.58	.27	.05	.04
D20S602	8[‡]	21.1	.35	ND	ND	ND
D20S186	12	32.3	.28	.16	.64[†]	.67
D20S477	22	47.5	.43	.21	.16[†]	ND
MID-161	35	50.8[§]	.52	.22	.07[†]	.06[†]
D20S119	45	61.8	.48	.27	.29[†]	ND
D20S196	52	75.0	.59	ND	ND	ND
Chromosome 21:						
D21S1440	36	36.8	.33	.11	.32	.18
D21S266	40	45.9	.33	.23	.26	.23
Chromosome 22:						
D22S446	19	14.4	.40	.26	.60	.51
MID-96	22	21.2[§]	.30	.13	.25	.17
D22S1133	23	21.2[§]	.25	.11	.42	.37
D22S419	23	21.5	.30	.14	.15[†]	ND
D22S315	23	21.6	.33[†]	.23	ND	ND
D22S1154	23	23.4	.15	.09	.38	.20
D22S1167	24	24.7	.33[†]	.19[†]	.49	.35
MID-102	24	25.8[§]	.37	.17	.01	.00
D22S1144	24	27.5	.36	.21	.20[†]	.19[†]
MID-105	32	33.7[§]	.16	.03	.49	.33
MID-106	32	33.7[§]	.14	.05	.53	.35
D22S445	34	45.8	.29[†]	.20[†]	.47[†]	ND
MID-107	36	46[§]	.16	.12	.36	.28
D22S423	37	46.4	.35	.17	.53	.44
MID-93	39	47.3[§]	.46	.33	.54	.40
D22S1170	45	55.3	.17	.20	.38[†]	ND
Chromosome X:						
MID-218	13	20[§]	.67	.40	.40	.39
MID-219	16	25[§]	.17	.10	.63	.53
DXS9896	26[‡]	30.8	ND	ND	.46[†]	ND
MID-220	76	57[§]	.40	.14	.08	.06
DXS6800	77	57.4	ND	ND	.40[†]	.31[†]

(*continued*)

Table 1 (continued)

	Position		δ between Populations EA and[a]			
Marker	Megabase[b]	Centimorgan[c]	AI	MA	AF	AA
MID-76	101	65[§]	.33	.17	.03	.05
MID-193	144	97[§]	.56	.16	.17	.12

[a] ND = not determined. A dagger (†) indicates that δ was estimated on the basis of the ΔTAC value between ethnic pools.

[b] Approximate position determined by use of the Human Genome Browser based on the August 6, 2001, human genome draft assembly, with either the marker name or the sequence within marker amplimers, by the BLAT search function (see the Web site of the UCSC Human Genome Project Working Draft). A double dagger (‡) indicates that the approximate position was determined by analysis of alternate genetic markers closely linked on the Marshfield genetic maps (see the Web site of the Center for Medical Genetics, Marshfield Medical Research Foundation).

[c] Sex-averaged genetic-map position, as determined either by Marshfield or, in the case of those positions designated by a section symbol (§), on the basis of the sequence location; in the latter case, map positions were approximated by analysis of the genetic-map position of markers physically located within 1 Mb of the marker in question.

quencies of these markers, has been established and will be updated as further markers are identified.

Characterization of EDMs

Individual allele frequencies were examined to further characterize the relationship between the putative parental and admixed populations. EDM alleles with large frequency differences between two parental populations demonstrated intermediate allele frequencies in the admixed population, as illustrated in table 3. For example, allele 158 of the microsatellite D4S3243 was present at a frequency of 45.4% in the EA population and at a frequency of 1.3% in the AF population, and its frequency in the AA population was intermediate, at 11.8%. This finding was also true for the MA population, as demonstrated by the SIDP MID-237, with allele 120 present at a frequency of 4.3% in the EA population, 73.6% in the AI population, and 30.9% in the MA population. Moreover, for microsatellite EDMs, the distribution of the allele frequencies in the admixed population is consistent with those expected on the basis of the putative parental contribution (e.g., for D4S3243, the frequency of alleles 158, 162, 166, and 170 in the AA population all suggest an ~80% contribution by the AF population and an ~20% contribution by the EA population). These consistent results were obtained despite the fact that AF samples were from Zimbabwe, rather than from a western-African location (see the "Discussion" section).

To determine whether markers that are EDMs in one ethnic comparison are more likely to be EDMs in another ethnic comparison, we examined all markers that had been either individually typed or typed by repeated pools in both EA:AF and EA:AI comparisons. Of these 307 markers, 75 (24.4%) were EDMs in the EA:AF comparison, and 88 (28.7%) were EDMs in the EA:AI comparison; 39 (or 12.7%) were EDMs in both comparisons, significantly more than the 22 (307 × 0.244 × 0.287) that would be expected by chance ($P < .0001$; Z-score 3.8, binomial test).

Variation of EDM Frequencies within Populations

Ten microsatellite markers with large differences between the pooled EA DNA sample and the pooled AI (Pima) DNA sample were individually typed in EA individuals and both Pima and Yavapai AI individuals, to determine whether large differences between subpopulations of AI also existed for these EDMs. The sample sizes for these comparisons were small because of our limited supply of AI samples; however, 37–45 Pima and 33–37 Yavapai individuals were typed for each comparison. In the EA:AI comparison, the mean ± SD δ was 0.473 ± 0.114; in contrast, that in the Yavapai:Pima comparison was 0.184 ± 0.092. Much of this difference is likely due to the cumulative difference of allele-frequency variations in rare alleles, because of the small numbers. When these microsatellites were converted to diallelic markers, by grouping alleles according to their EA:Pima differences, the EA:AI δ remained large, at 0.54 ± 0.145, whereas that in the Yavapai:Pima comparison decreased to 0.062 ± 0.034. This suggests that intraethnic differences are small, at least within the ethnically informative alleles of these EDMs.

In addition, EDMs were examined for differences between EA individuals from northern California (see the "Collection of Samples" subsection, above) and the CEPH genotyping set (this set includes families predominantly from France and Utah). Ten microsatellite EDMs in the EA:AF comparison were examined. These markers had a mean ± SD δ of 0.55 ± 0.073 in the EA:AF comparison; in contrast, they had a mean ± SD δ of

Table 2

Summary of Screen for EDMs

	No.	No. with δ			
Marker Type	Screened	>.30	>.40	>.50	>.60
EA:AI comparison:[a]					
Microsatellite	479	116	69	30	13
Insertion/deletion	124	35	21	10	2
Total	603	151	90	40	15
EA:AF comparison:[b]					
Microsatellite	311	71	52	22	10
Insertion/deletion	102	26	18	8	5
Total	413	97	70	30	15

[a] AI samples are from Pima and Yavapai tribes.
[b] AF samples are from Zimbabwe.

0.131 ± 0.056 in the EA:CEPH comparison. When these markers were converted to diallelic markers, the mean $\pm$ SD δ in the EA:AF comparison remained high, at 0.559 ± 0.094, whereas that in the EA:CEPH comparison decreased to 0.03 ± 0.029. Ten microsatellite EDMs in the EA:AI comparison also were examined (the 50 microsatellites included in the initial screen, on the basis of a comparison of the CEPH genotyping set versus the AI genotyping set, were excluded from this analysis). For these EDMs, the mean $\pm$ SD δ in the EA:AI comparison was 0.493 ± 0.103, whereas that in the EA:CEPH comparison was 0.145 ± 0.046. When these markers were converted to diallelic markers, the mean $\pm$ SD δ in the EA:AI comparison remained high, at 0.554 ± 0.154, whereas that in the EA:CEPH comparison decreased to 0.049 ± 0.039.

Admixture Estimations by Use of EDMs

Admixture ratios in present-day AA and MA populations were examined by use of both microsatellite and SIDP EDMs with large δ values (fig. 1). For the estimation of admixture in the AA population, 20 microsatellites with an average EA:AF δ of 0.54 and 20 SIDPs with an average δ of 0.46 were typed in EA, AF, and AA samples. The predicted allele frequencies in the AA population were calculated at varying admixture ratios of the two putative parental-population allele frequencies, and the resulting allele frequencies were compared with the actual AA allele frequencies determined on the basis of individual genotyping. Figure 1*A* plots the difference between the predicted and actual AA allele frequencies. A 20% EA:80% AF mixture of the EA and AF allele frequencies predicted AA allele frequencies with the smallest difference from actual AA allele frequencies (nadir of curves in fig. 1*A*): for SIDPs, the predicted AA allele frequencies were not significantly different from actual AA allele frequencies (best fit for SIDPs is 19.3% [95% CI = 16.3%–22.5% for EA contribution to the AA population]); for microsatellites, this

same nadir was also observed, both before and after these multiallelic markers had been transformed, on the basis of ethnic differences, into diallelic markers (see the "Statistical Analysis" subsection, above). For the transformed diallelic microsatellite markers, the predicted AA allele frequencies were not significantly different from actual AA allele frequencies (best fit for "ethnic diallelic microsatellites" is 22.7% [95% CI = 20.5%–28.5%]). These results suggest that, for these EDMs, the ethnic allele-frequency differences between the putative parental populations may be appropriate for characterization of the admixed population.

For the estimation of MA allele frequencies, 20 microsatellites with an average EA:AI δ of 0.49 and 20 SIDPs with an average δ of 0.47 were typed in EA, AI,

Table 3

Examples of Microsatellite and Insertion/Deletion Allele Frequencies in Parental and Admixed Populations

Allele	No. Observed in Population		
	EA:AA:AF[a] Comparison		
	EA	AA	AF
D4S3243 (δ = 51.1):			
146	0	0	1.3
150	0	0	2.5
154	0	1.3	0
158	45.4	11.8	1.3
162	5.6	2.6	2.5
166	17.6	35.5	37.5
170	24.1	39.5	48.8
174	6.5	7.9	2.5
178	0	1.3	2.5
MID-106 (δ = 52.5):			
114	39.0	74.5	92.2
119	61.0	25.5	7.8
	EA:MA:AI[b] Comparison		
	EA	MA	AI
D10S677 (δ = 44.1):			
195	7.8	4.1	.6
199	29.0	17.5	3.4
203	6.6	10.1	16.0
207	11.8	9.0	.9
211	23.6	23.5	24.8
215	12.9	24.6	44.5
219	6.0	7.4	7.3
223	1.1	2.5	.7
227	.3	.3	1.7
MID-237 (δ = 69.3):			
120	4.3	30.9	73.6
131	95.7	69.1	26.4

[a] AF samples are from Zimbabwe.
[b] AI samples are from the Pima tribe (in the case of D10S677) and from the Yavapai tribe (in the case of MID-237).
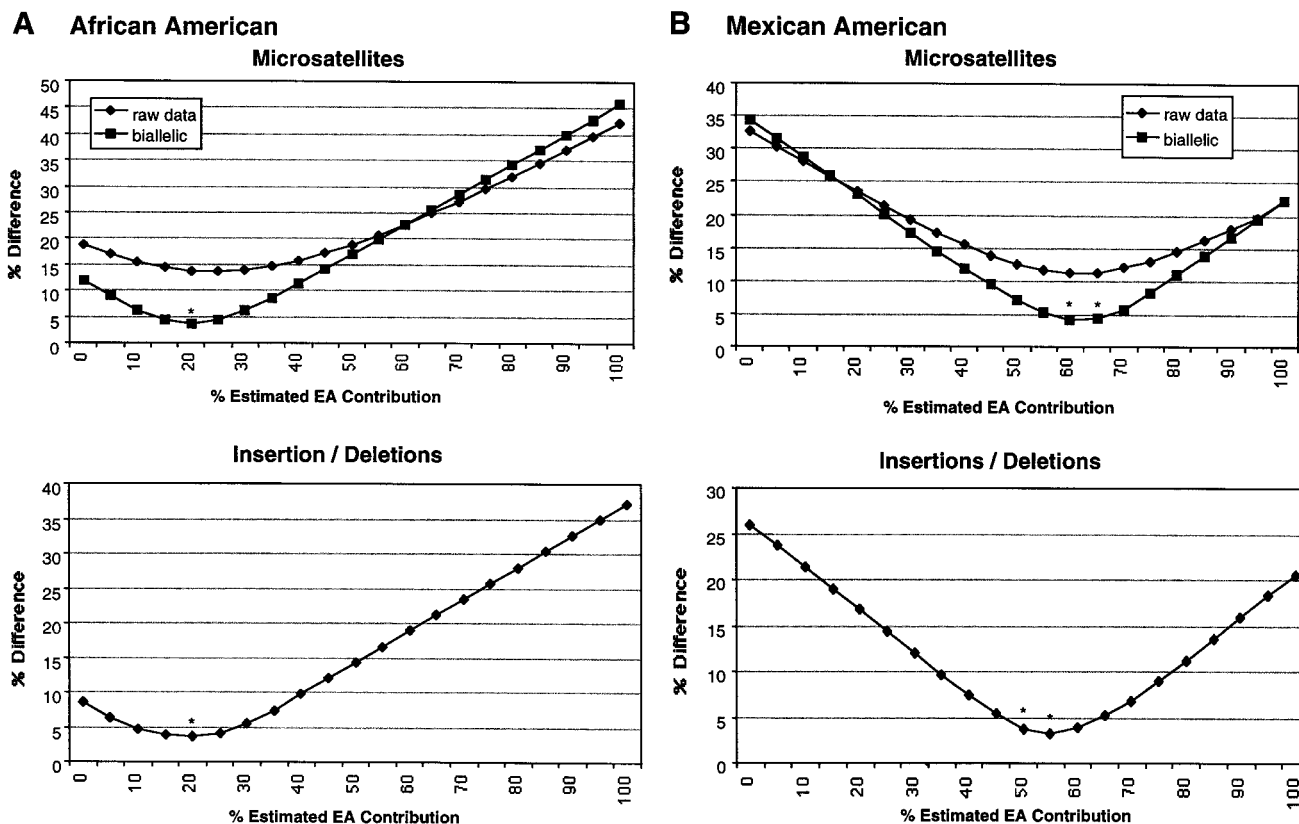
Figure 1 Percent difference between predicted and actual admixed population allele frequencies, on the basis of microsatellite and insertion/deletion data from putative parental and admixed populations. Microsatellite data are plotted as both the total percent difference (raw data) and the percent difference after conversion of the microsatellite to a diallelic marker by grouping of alleles (see text). Asterisks (*) indicate that, for these percent contributions, the predicted admixed-population allele frequencies are not significantly different from the actual admixed-population allele frequencies, by least-squares analysis. *A*, Difference between predicted and actual AA allele frequencies, plotted at varying admixture ratios. Predicted frequencies are based on mixing of EA and AF allele frequencies in the indicated percentages. An average of 90 EA, 90 AF, and 270 AA individuals were typed for each marker. *B*, Difference between predicted and actual MA allele frequencies, plotted at varying admixture ratios. Predicted frequencies are based on mixing of EA and AI allele frequencies in the indicated percentages. An average of 90 EA, 80 AI, and 300 MA individuals were typed for each marker.

and MA samples. For microsatellites, a 60% EA:40% AI and a 65% EA:35% AI mixture best predicted MA allele frequencies. After conversion of these microsatellites to diallelic markers, these ratios predicted MA allele frequencies that were not significantly different from actual MA allele frequencies (fig. 1*B*; best fit for the EA contribution to the MA sample is 61.9% [95% CI = 57.4%–65.3%]); in contrast, for SIDPs, both a 50% EA:50% AI mixture and a 55% EA:45% AI mixture predicted MA allele frequencies that were not significantly different from actual MA allele frequencies (best fit for the EA contribution to the MA sample is 55.1% [95% CI = 52.7–59.7%]).

Discussion

This large-scale screen has demonstrated that both microsatellite and SIDP markers with $\delta > 0.30$ can be

readily identified in both the EA:AF and EA:AI comparisons. Although a variety of evidence suggests that the time since the separation of EA and AF is greater than that since the separation of EA and AI (Cavalli-Sforza et al. 1988; Bowcock et al. 1994), similar percentages of EA:AI and EA:AF EDMs were identified (table 2 and the "Identification of EDMs" subsection of the "Results" section). Much of the sequence variation between ethnicities has been suggested to be the result of major bottlenecks that have occurred since the separation of these populations (Dean et al. 1994). We speculate that the similar EDM characteristics seen in the EA:AF and EA:AI comparisons are likely the result of these putative bottlenecks and, hence, may not directly reflect the length of time since specific population-separation events. Recently, consistent with these speculations, Reich et al. (2001) have presented data suggesting that a very large bottleneck occurred

in northern Europeans ~27,000–53,000 years ago. This putative demographic event would have been subsequent to the separation of the European population from the Asian population that subsequently gave rise to the AI population.

In addition, we have observed that the percentage of EDMs common to both the EA:AF and the EA:AI comparisons is significantly greater than what would be expected on the basis of chance overlap. We hypothesize that this may be due, in part, to bottlenecks within the EA population (see the preceding paragraph). In addition, because of a combination of factors, such as repeat type and genomic location, markers may have varying levels of stability. Most EDM markers would be expected to have an intermediate or high level of stability, such that variations are neither rapidly created nor quickly dissolved because of a high mutation rate. Therefore, markers that have the correct inherent level of stability may be more likely to be ethnically informative in any comparison.

Previous investigators examining randomly selected markers have suggested that allele-frequency differences within populations are as large as or larger than differences between populations (Lewontin 1972; Nei and Roychoudhury 1974; Latter 1980; Barbujani et al. 1997). However, the MALD approach assumes that there are a subset of markers for which there are (*a*) a large allele-content difference between the ethnicities that have admixed and (*b*) only small differences within any of the original parental populations that contributed to the admixed population. For the MA population, the first requirement appears to be met by our identification of EDMs with large allele-frequency differences between the EA and AI populations that we examined. The second requirement is more difficult to assess, since the original parental populations are no longer available for direct examination. However, for informative EDM alleles, we observed only small differences between subpopulations that are likely descendents of parental contributors. This was true for the Yavapai:Pima comparison and for the EA:CEPH comparison (in which the EA samples are from northern California and the CEPH genotyping set includes families predominantly from France and Utah).

Although we did not assess subpopulation differences within the AF population, another suggestion of EDM stability may be inferred from analysis of the genotyping results for the AF population (Shona from Zimbabwe) in relation to those for the AA population. Zimbabwe, a country in southeastern Africa, is not thought to have contributed significantly to the slave trade, which took place mainly along the coast of western Africa (reviewed in Parra et al. 1998). However, the Shona are a Bantu-speaking group thought to have migrated to Zimbabwe ~300 B.C. and therefore may be genetically related to western African groups (Iliffe 1995). The allele fre-

quencies of EDMs in the AA population were consistently between those in the EA population and those in the AF population—with a 20% EA:80% AF contribution ratio (tables 1 and 3 and fig. 1*A*). This finding was supported by examination of individual alleles for microsatellite polymorphisms (table 3). These results therefore suggest that recent subpopulation differences (i.e., those since the separation of the major population groups of eastern and western Africa) are relatively small for these EDMs. Analysis of EDM allele frequencies in various AF subpopulations will be necessary to test this hypothesis.

Using a mixture of present-day EA and AF populations to estimate the allele frequencies in the AA population produces a best fit to actual AA genotyping data, with a 20% EA:80% AF ratio, in general agreement with the findings of previous, more limited studies (Parra 1998). Similarly, a mixture of present-day EA and AI populations best estimates present-day MA allele frequencies, with a 50%–60% EA:40%–50% AI ratio, which also is in agreement with the findings of previous studies (Chakraborty et al. 1986; Hanis et al. 1986). At these ratios of admixture, the allele frequencies estimated by a weighted mixture of parental-population genotyping results are not significantly different from the observed admixed-population allele frequencies for SIDPs and for ethnic diallelic microsatellites. Therefore, these results further support the hypothesis that, since the time when they contributed to the MA and AA populations, relatively little divergence in EDM allele frequencies has occurred in present-day EA, AF, and AI populations. Although definitive conclusions concerning multiple unknown factors are impossible, the results are consistent with the hypothesis that our chosen representatives of the parental-population contributors are appropriate for the AA and MA populations that we have studied.

For the AA population, both microsatellites and SIDPs produced identical estimates of admixture ratios (fig. 1*A*); in contrast, for the MA population, the best estimate of parental-population admixture ratios when microsatellites and SIDPs were used differed by ~5%. This interesting observation needs to be confirmed by use of larger numbers of EDMs. However, it is a conceivable result if one assumes that microsatellites inherently have a slightly lower level of stability than do SIDPs and that the MA population was created by admixture between the EA population and two different AI subpopulations. These subpopulations would have to have diverged enough to allow small differences in microsatellite allele frequencies to be created, but, because of higher stability, their SIDP frequencies would remain identical in each subpopulation. These subpopulations would have to have diverged more than the Pima and Yavapai AI subpopulations, since we have

found that microsatellite differences between the latter two groups are insignificant. Even if this hypothesis is true, the differences between the two AI subpopulations would be small, since the admixture-ratio difference predicted by SIDPs and EDMs is small. This effect is unlikely to change the outcome of MALD analysis using MA subjects.

The results of the present study provide researchers with a genomewide set of markers useful for MALD analysis. The average chromosomal interval between the EDMs presented herein is 31 cM for the AA sample and 20 cM for the MA sample. This set clearly needs to be further expanded, to allow the saturation required for MALD analysis, which is estimated to require a marker every 2–10 cM (McKeigue 1998; Lautenberger et al. 2000; Pfaff et al. 2001). For the AA population, additional markers have recently been identified by Smith et al. (2001). In addition, markers with larger δ values should be obtainable, on the basis of large-scale single-nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) genotyping, as has been suggested elsewhere (McKeigue 1998). In the present study, the frequency of SIDPs with $\delta > 0.60$ was ~3% (table 2). This frequency should correspond roughly with the frequency of SNPs, suggesting that screening of ~50,000 SNPs should provide the 1,500 markers genomewide that may be needed to optimize MALD's potential. Although far from having reached this goal, the present study does greatly increase the number of identified EDMs and allows further theoretical testing of the extent and characteristics of admixture linkage disequilibrium. Moreover, the results of the present study provide additional support for the feasibility of the MALD approach in two admixed populations that form a substantial proportion of the American population.

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Fondation Jean Dausset CEPH, http://www.cephb.fr/cephdb/ (for genotyping data sets)
UCSC Human Genome Project Working Draft, http://genome.ucsc.edu/ (for megabase positions of EDMs)

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