

Human Evolution

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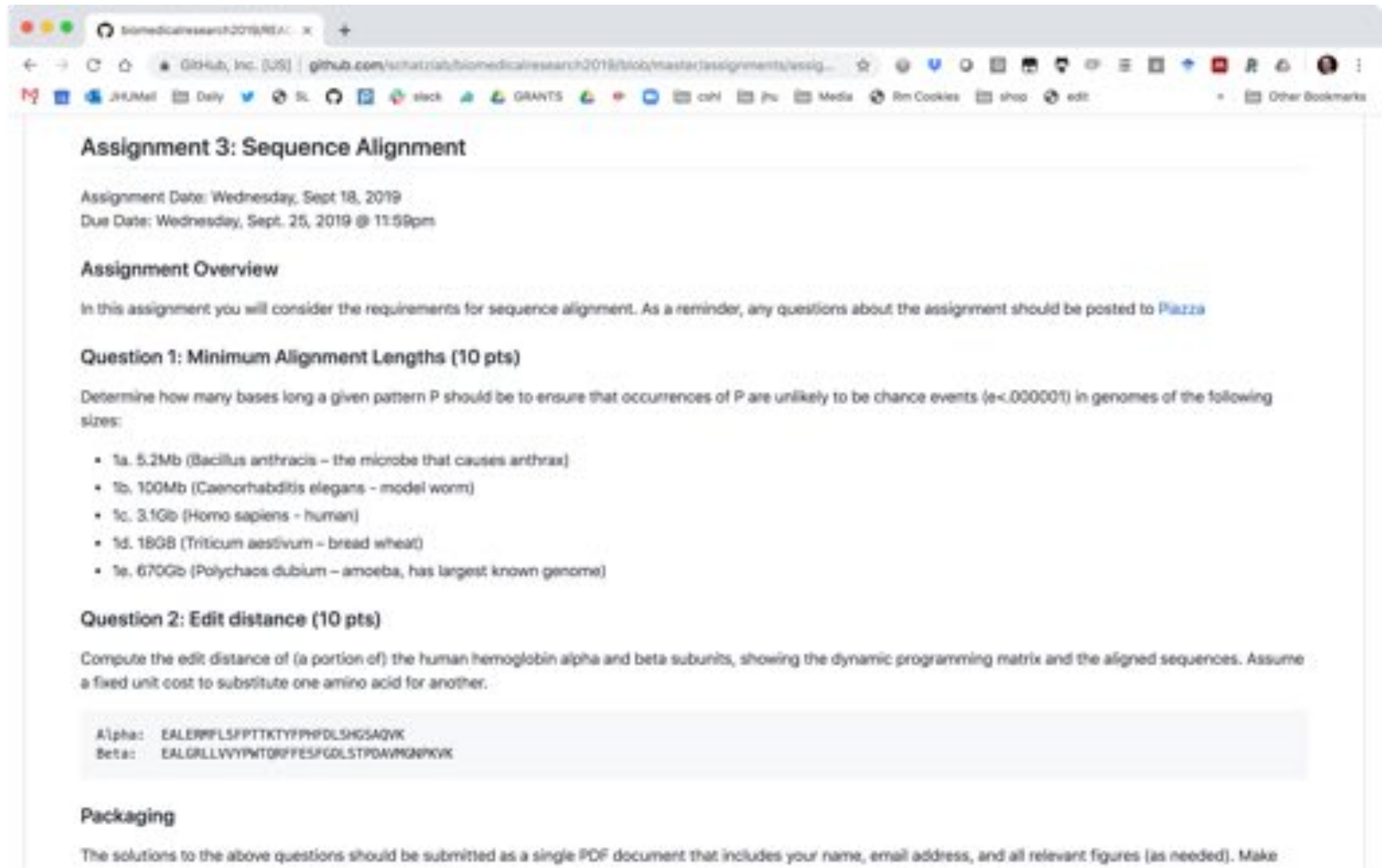
Sept 25, 2019

Lecture 8: Computational Biomedical Research



Assignment 3: Sequence Alignment

Due Monday Sept 30 @ 11:59pm



The screenshot shows a web browser displaying a GitHub repository page for 'Assignment 3: Sequence Alignment'. The page includes a title, assignment dates, an overview, and two questions. Question 1 asks for minimum alignment lengths for various genomes, and Question 2 asks for edit distance calculations for human hemoglobin subunits. The page also includes a 'Packaging' section with submission instructions.

Assignment 3: Sequence Alignment

Assignment Date: Wednesday, Sept 18, 2019
Due Date: Wednesday, Sept. 25, 2019 @ 11:59pm

Assignment Overview

In this assignment you will consider the requirements for sequence alignment. As a reminder, any questions about the assignment should be posted to [Piazza](#)

Question 1: Minimum Alignment Lengths (10 pts)

Determine how many bases long a given pattern P should be to ensure that occurrences of P are unlikely to be chance events ($p < .000001$) in genomes of the following sizes:

- 1a. 5.2Mb (*Bacillus anthracis* – the microbe that causes anthrax)
- 1b. 100Mb (*Caenorhabditis elegans* – model worm)
- 1c. 3.1Gb (*Homo sapiens* – human)
- 1d. 18Gb (*Triticum aestivum* – bread wheat)
- 1e. 670Gb (*Polychaos dubium* – amoeba, has largest known genome)

Question 2: Edit distance (10 pts)

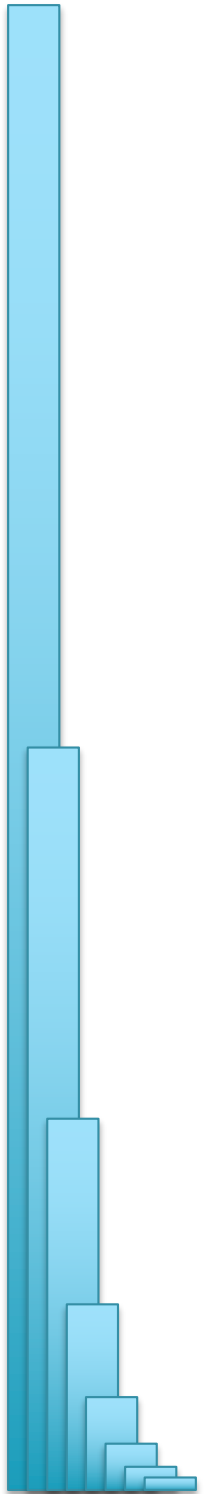
Compute the edit distance of (a portion of) the human hemoglobin alpha and beta subunits, showing the dynamic programming matrix and the aligned sequences. Assume a fixed unit cost to substitute one amino acid for another.

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Alpha: EALERMFLSFPTTKTYFPHFDSHGSAGVK
Beta:  EALGRLLVYYPWTDRFFESFGDLSTPDVWGNGPKVK
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Packaging

The solutions to the above questions should be submitted as a single PDF document that includes your name, email address, and all relevant figures (as needed). Make

<https://github.com/schatzlab/biomedicalresearch2019>



Part I: Recap

Variant Calling Overview



Similarity metrics

- Hamming distance

- Count the number of substitutions to transform one string into another

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| | x | | x x x x |

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- Edit distance

- The minimum number of substitutions, insertions, or deletions to transform one string into another

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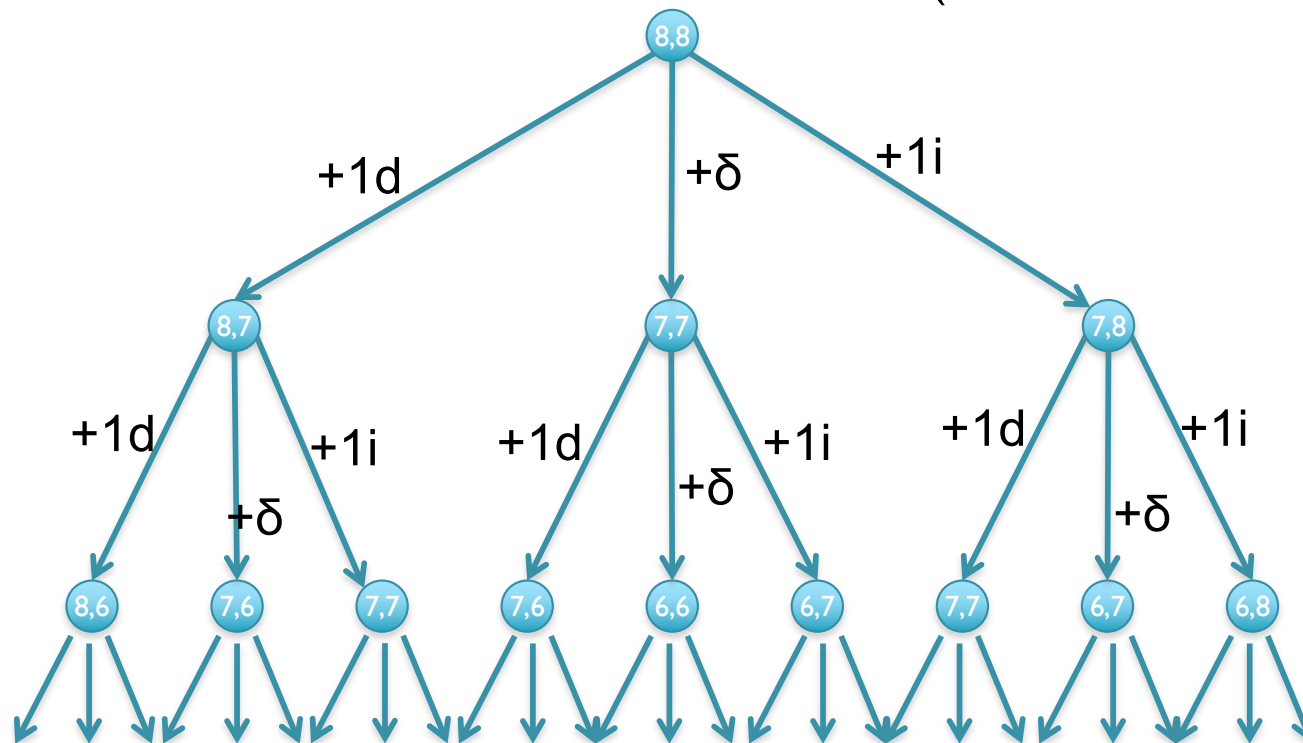
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Recursive solution

- Computation of D is a recursive process.
 - At each step, we only allow matches, substitutions, and indels
 - $D(i,j)$ in terms of $D(i',j')$ for $i' \leq i$ and $j' \leq j$.

$$D(\text{AGCACACA}, \text{ACACACTA}) = \min\{D(\text{AGCACACA}, \text{ACACACT}) + 1, \\ D(\text{AGCACAC}, \text{ACACACTA}) + 1, \\ D(\text{AGCACAC}, \text{ACACACT}) + \delta(\text{A}, \text{A})\}$$



[What is the running time?]

Dynamic Programming Matrix

		A	C	A	C	A	C	T	A
	<u>0</u>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
A	1	<u>0</u>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
G	2	<u>1</u>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
C	3	2	<u>1</u>	2	2	3	4	5	6
A	4	3	2	<u>1</u>	2	2	3	4	5
C	5	4	3	2	<u>1</u>	2	2	3	4
A	6	5	4	3	2	<u>1</u>	2	3	3
C	7	6	5	4	3	2	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	3
A	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	2	<u>2</u>

$$D[\text{AGCACACA}, \text{ACACACTA}] = 2$$

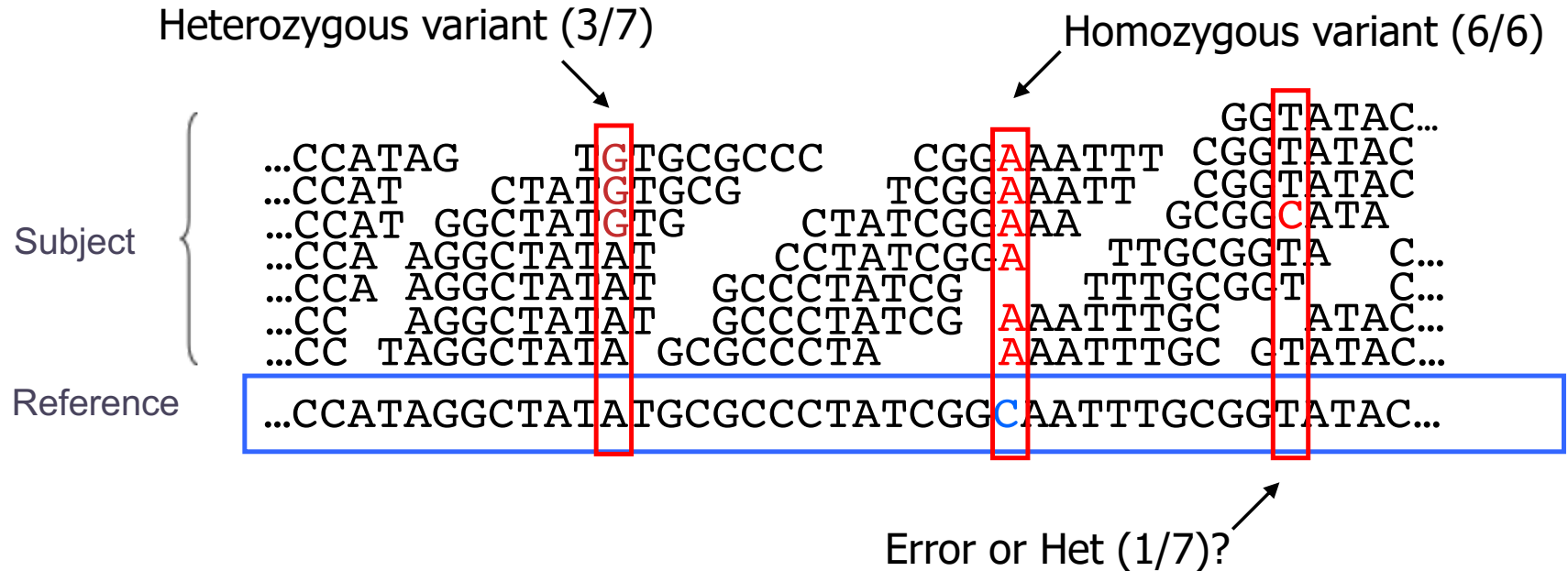
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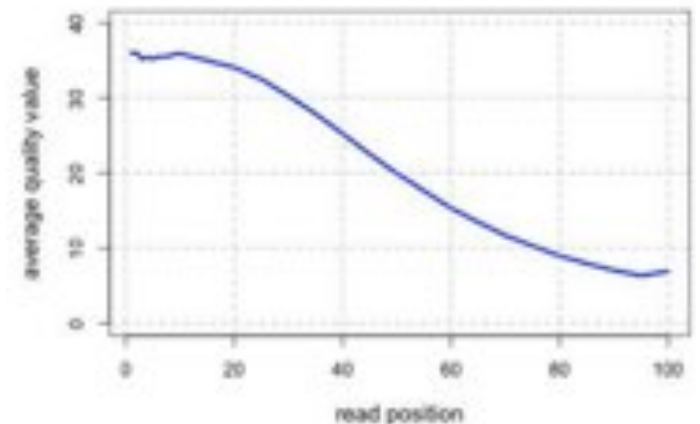
A-CACACTA

[Can we do it any better?]

Genotyping Theory



- If there were no sequencing errors, identifying SNPs would be very easy: any time a read disagrees with the reference, it must be a variant!
- Sequencing instruments make mistakes
 - Quality of read decreases over the read length
- A single read differing from the reference is probably just an error, but it becomes more likely to be real as we see it multiple times



The Binomial Distribution: Adventures in Coin Flipping

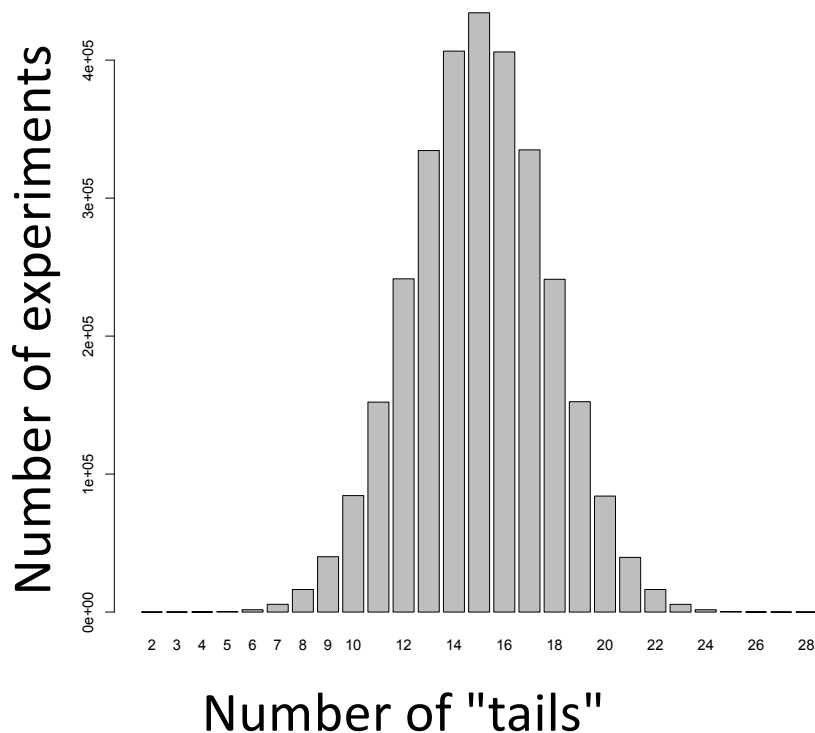


$P(\text{heads}) = 0.5$



$P(\text{tails}) = 0.5$

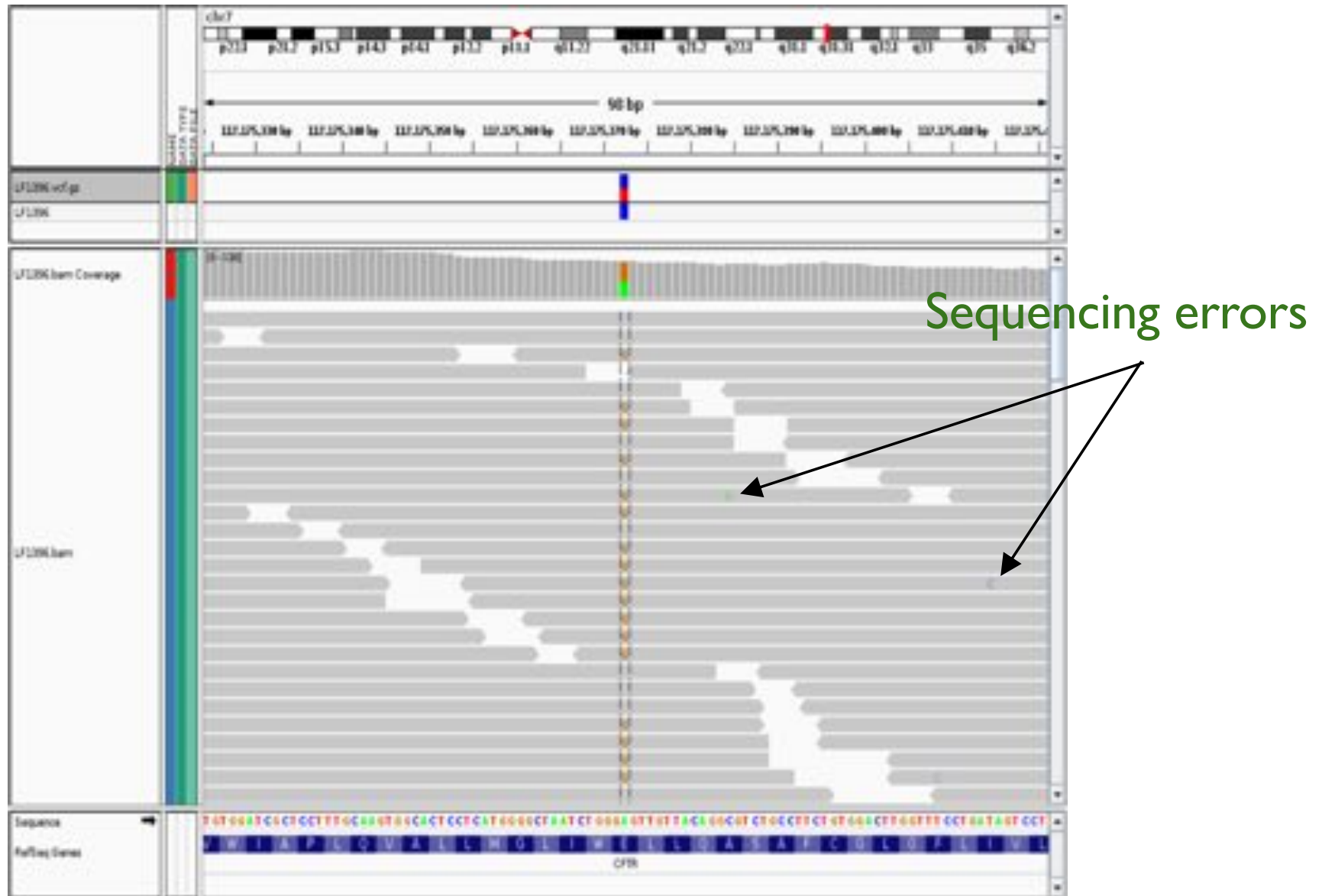
So, with 30 tosses (reads), we are much more likely to see an even mix of alternate and reference alleles at a heterozygous locus in a genome



This is why at least a "30X" (30 fold sequence coverage) genome is recommended: it confers sufficient power to distinguish heterozygous alleles and from mere sequencing errors

$$P(3/30 \text{ het}) <?> P(3/30 \text{ err})$$

Sequencing errors fall out as noise (most of the time)



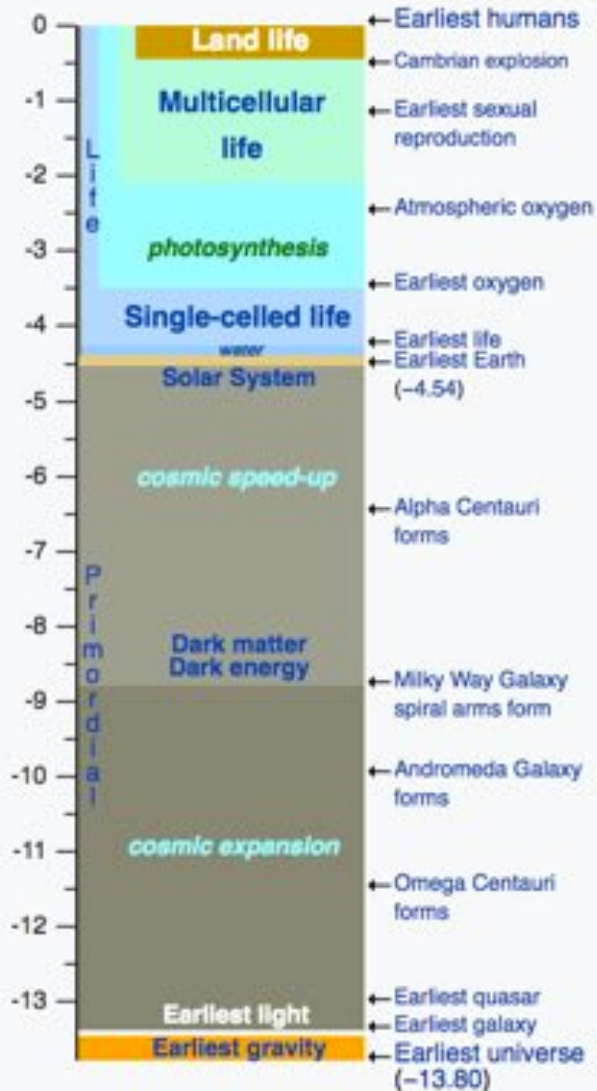


Part 2: Ancient Hominds

Our Origins

Nature timeline

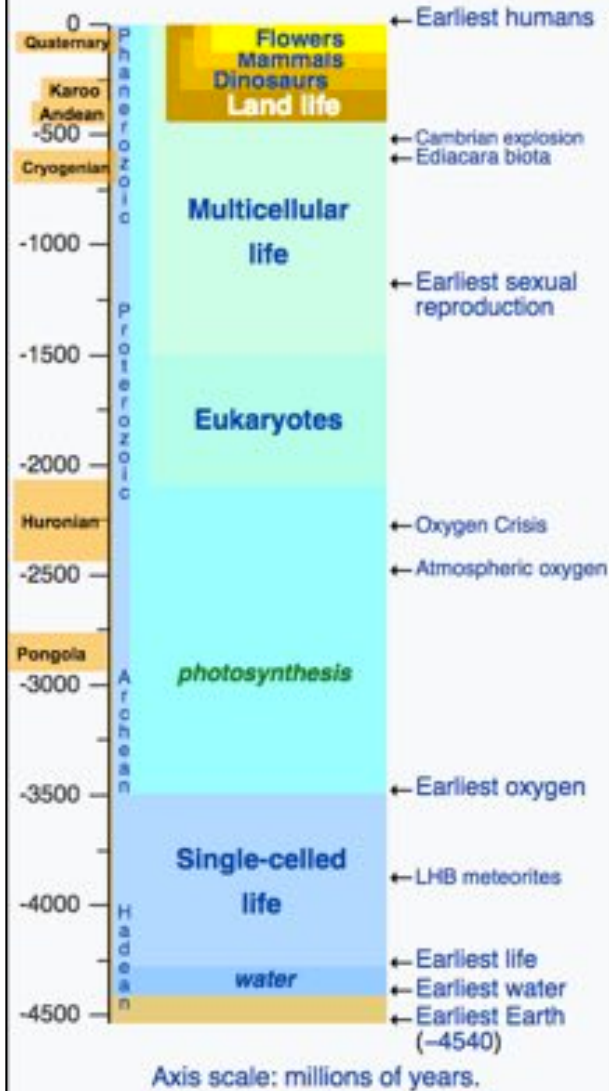
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Life timeline

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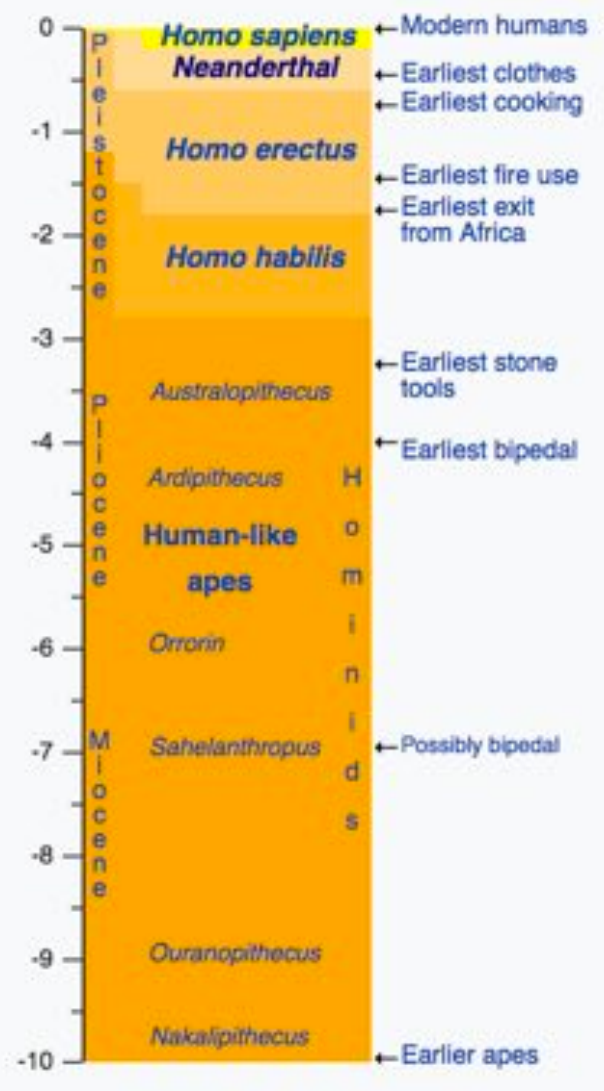


Orange labels: known ice ages.

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Sequencing ancient genomes

Janet Kelso

Max-Planck Institute





Homo neanderthalensis

- Proto-Neanderthals emerge around 600k years ago
- “True” Neanderthals emerge around 200k years ago
- Died out approximately 40,000 years ago
- Known for their robust physique
- Made advanced tools, probably had a language (the nature of which is debated and likely unknowable) and lived in complex social groups



Homo sapiens sapiens

- Apparently emerged from earlier hominids in Africa around 50k years ago
- Capable of amazing intellectual and social behaviors
- Mostly Harmless ☺

A Draft Sequence of the Neandertal Genome

Richard E. Green, *et al.*

Science **328**, 710 (2010);

DOI: 10.1126/science.1188021

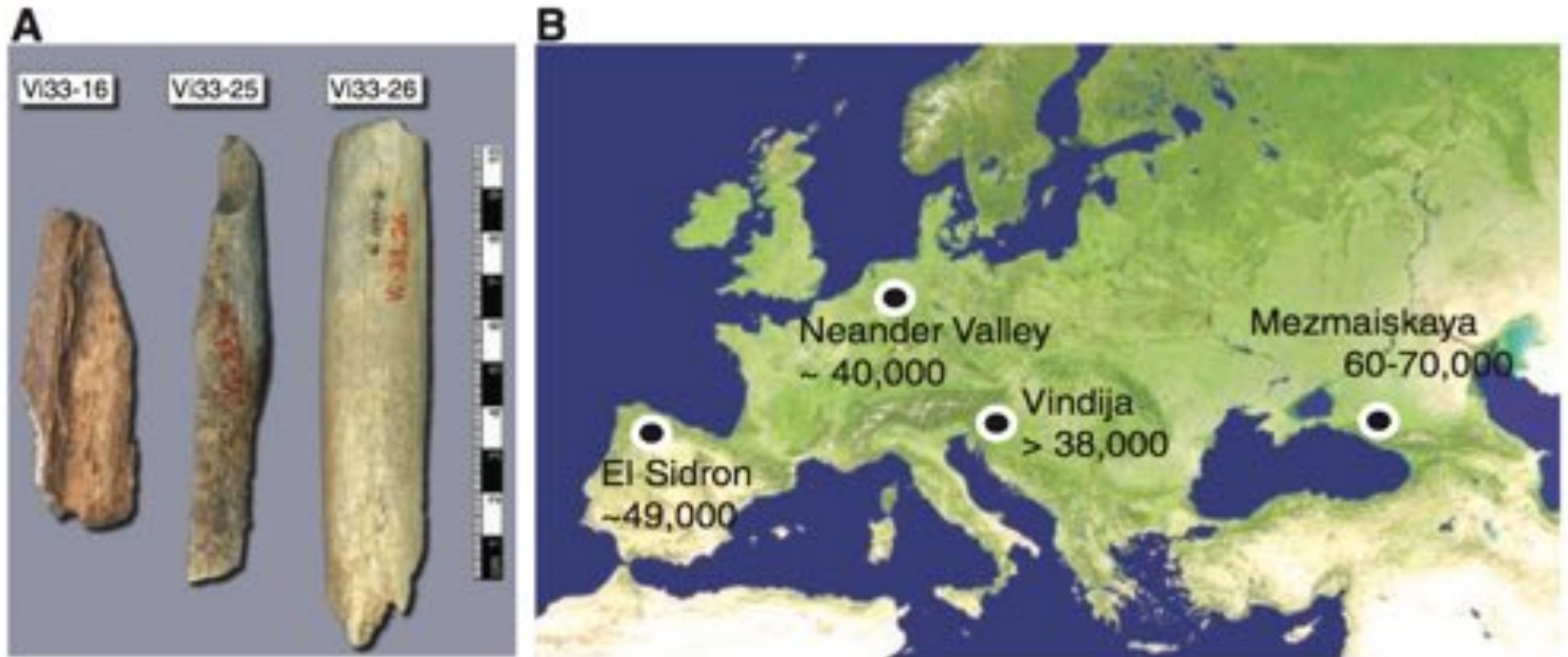
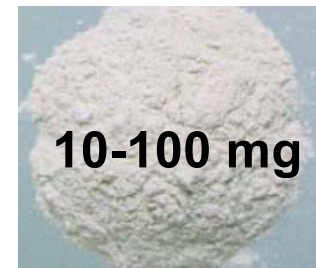
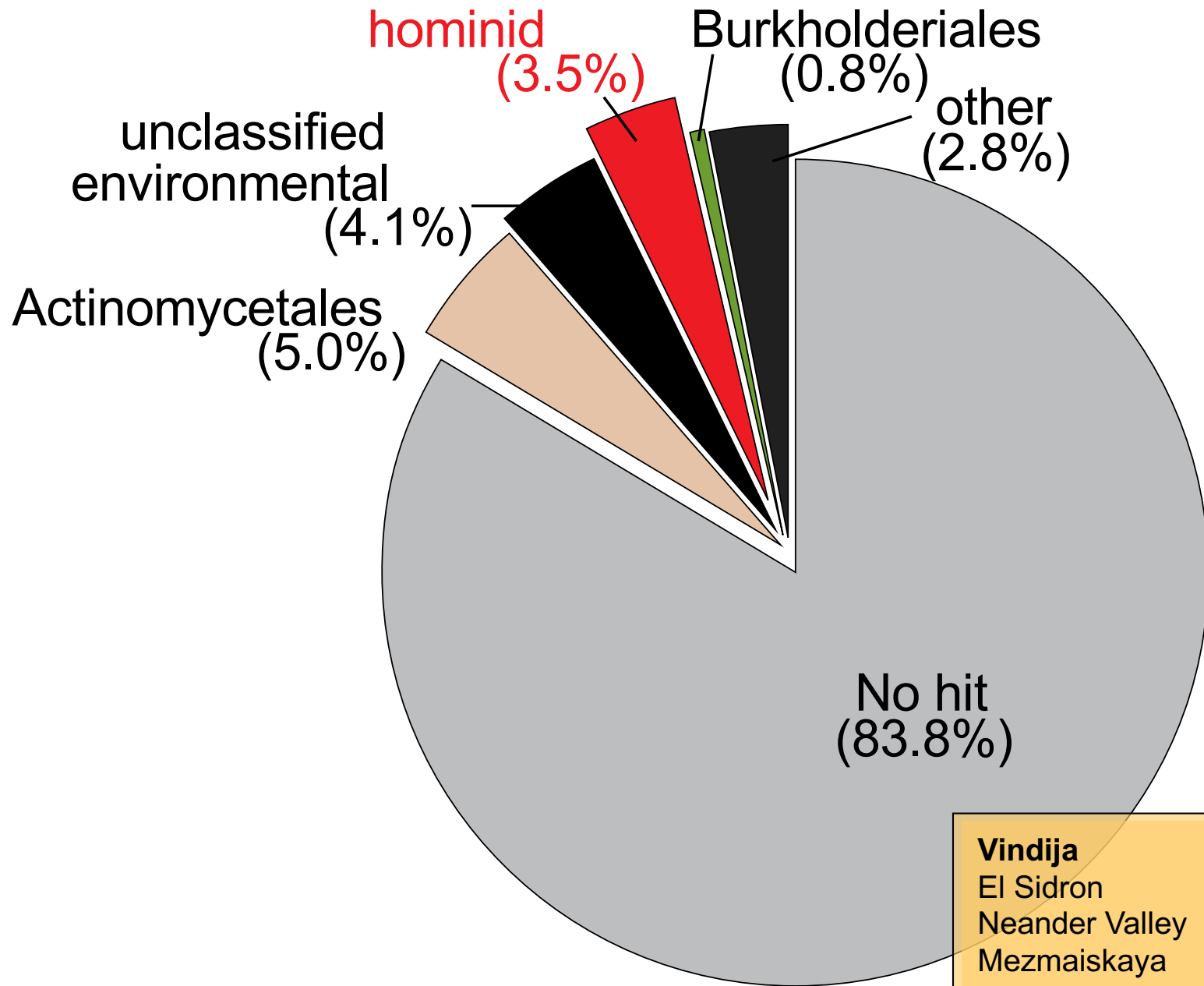


Fig. 1. Samples and sites from which DNA was retrieved. **(A)** The three bones from Vindija from which Neandertal DNA was sequenced. **(B)** Map showing the four archaeological sites from which bones were used and their approximate dates (years B.P.).

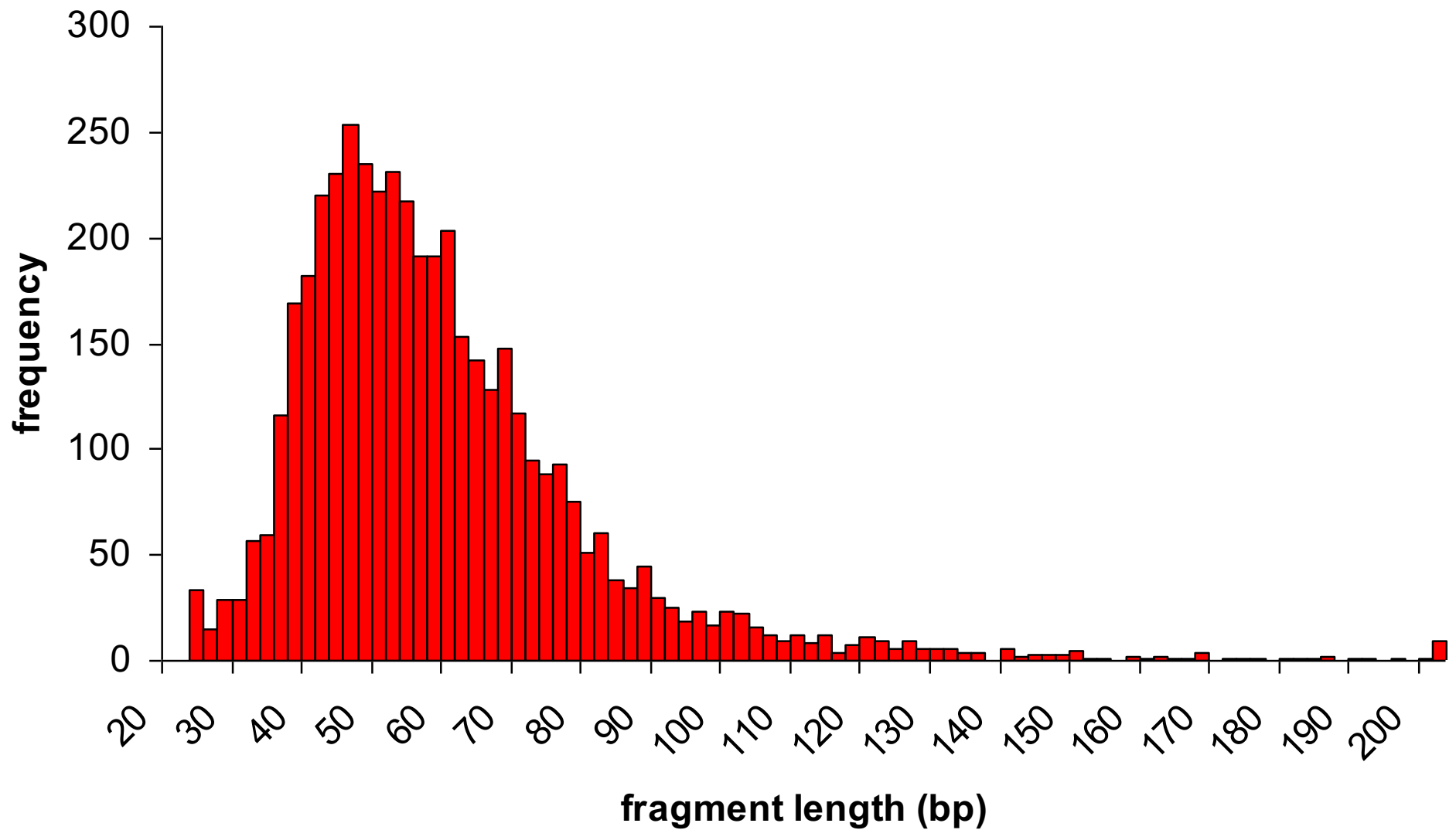
Extracting Ancient DNA



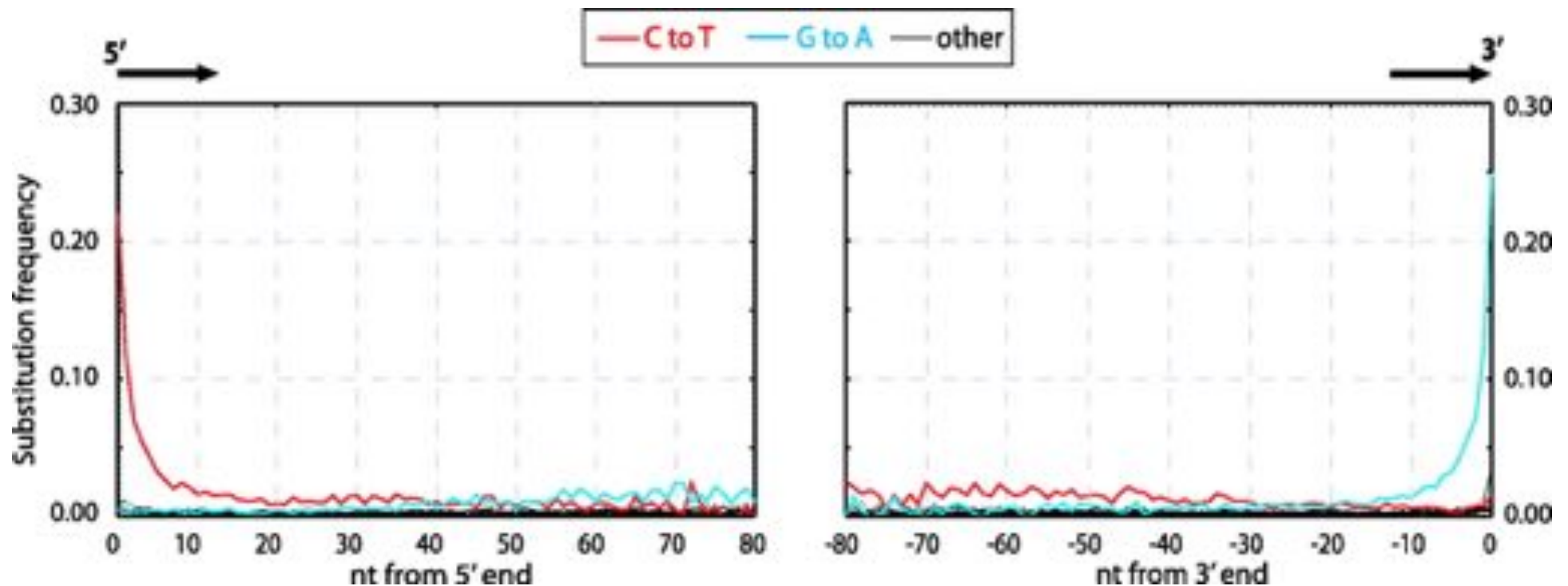
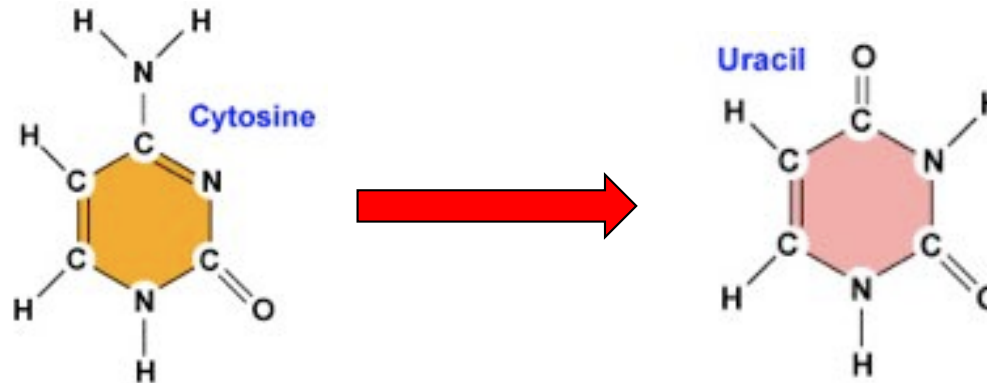
DNA is from mixed sources

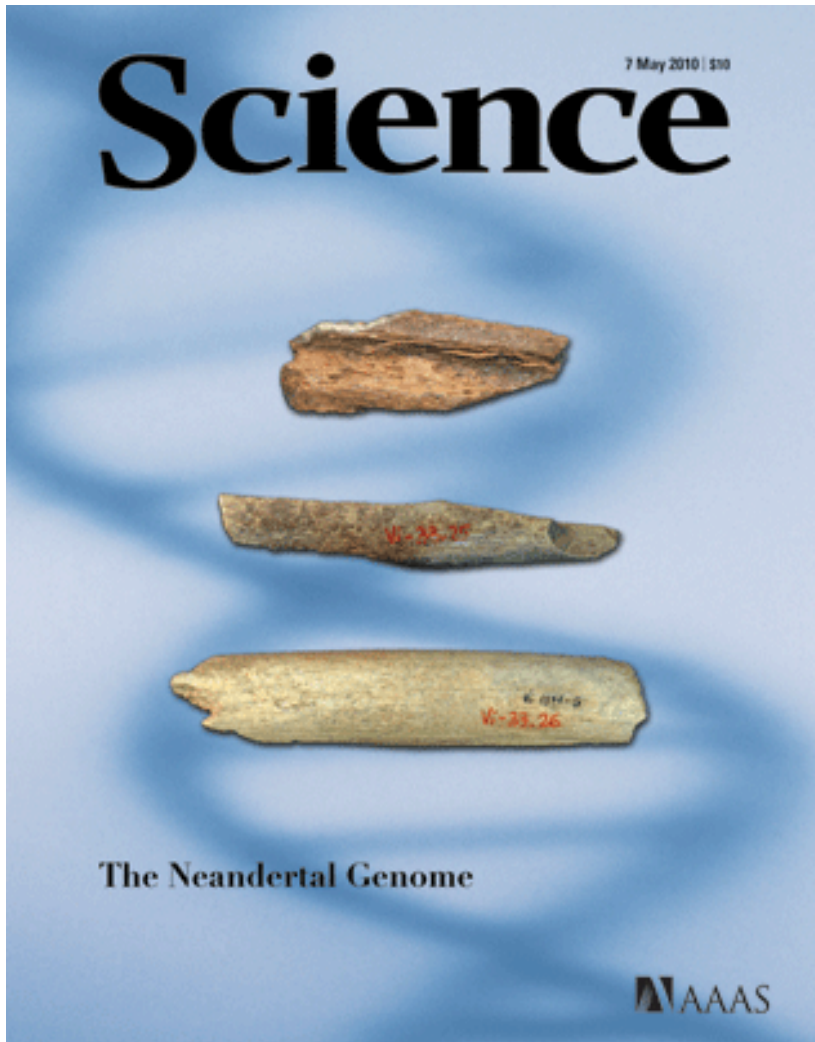


DNA is degraded



DNA is chemically damaged





Green et al. 2010

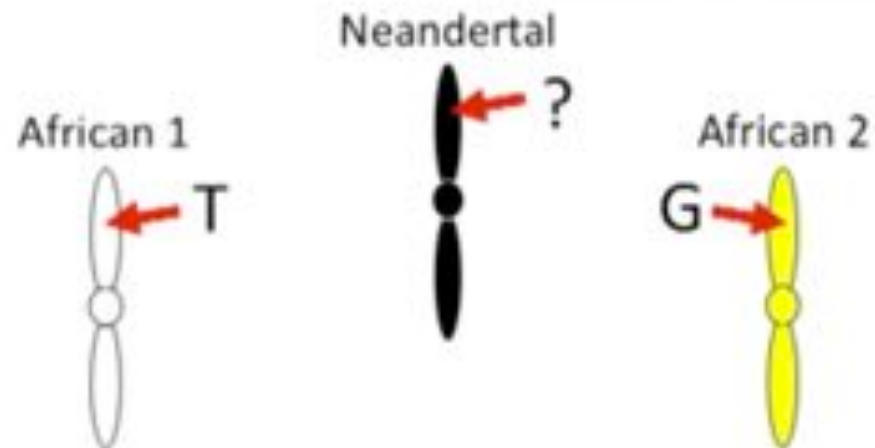
Vindija	33.16	~1.2 Gb
	33.25	~1.3 Gb
	33.26	~1.5 Gb

El Sidron (1253)	~2.2 Mb
Feldhofer 1	~2.2 Mb
Mezmaiskaya 1	~56.4 Mb

~35 Illumina flow cells

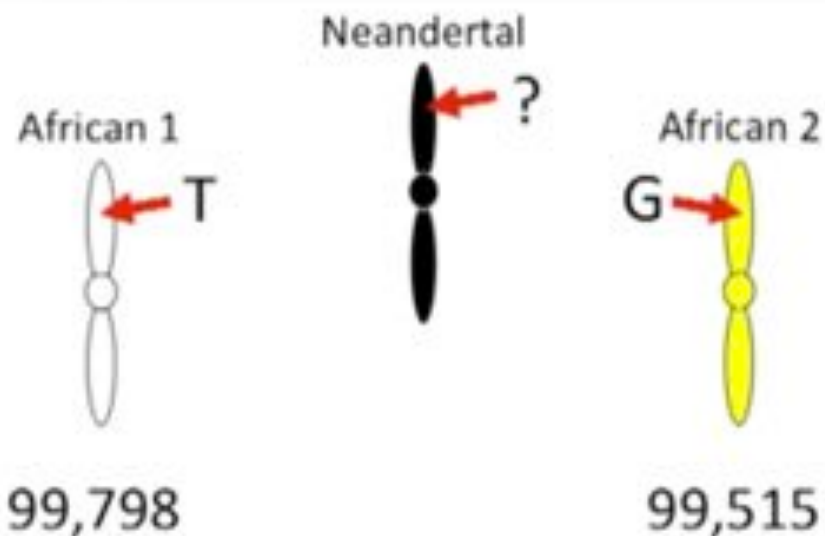
Genome coverage ~1.3 X

Did we mix?



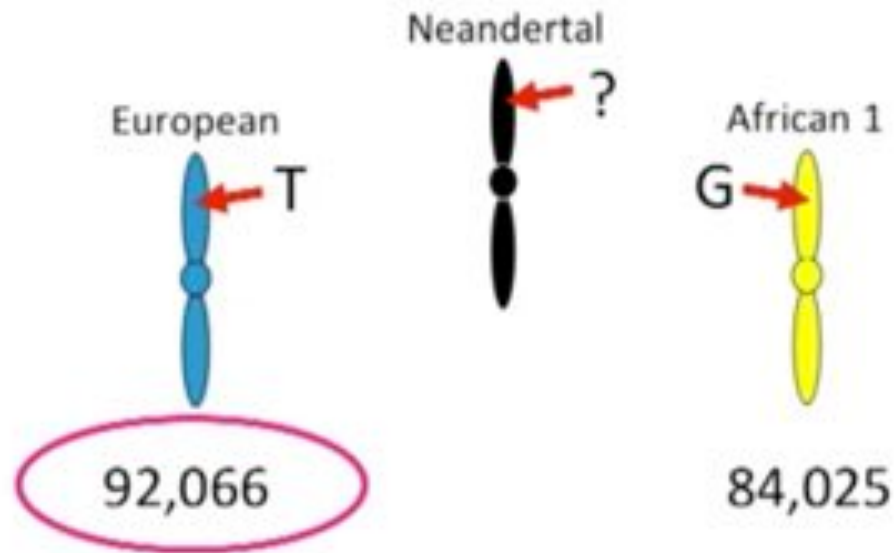
Did we mix?

As far as we know, Neanderthals were never in Africa, and do not see Neanderthal alleles to be more common in one African population over another



Did we mix?

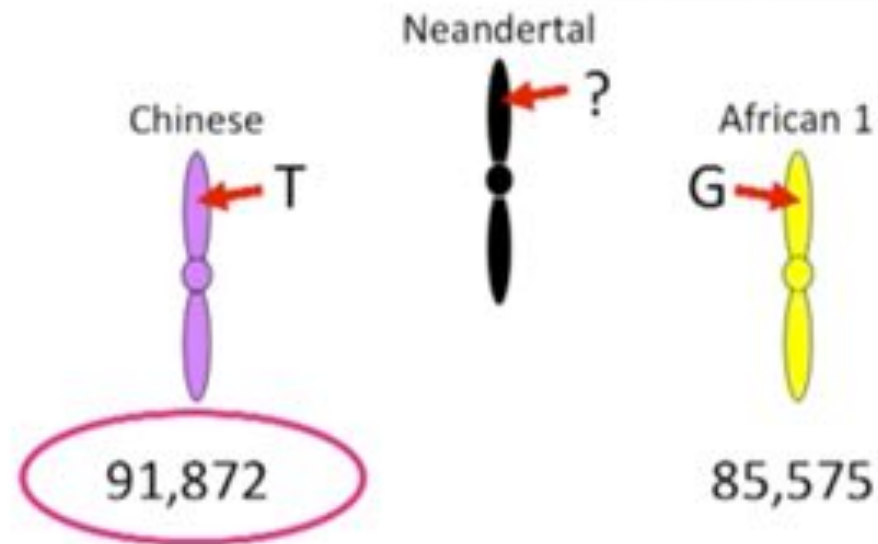
In contrast, we do see Neanderthals match Europeans significantly more frequently than Africans



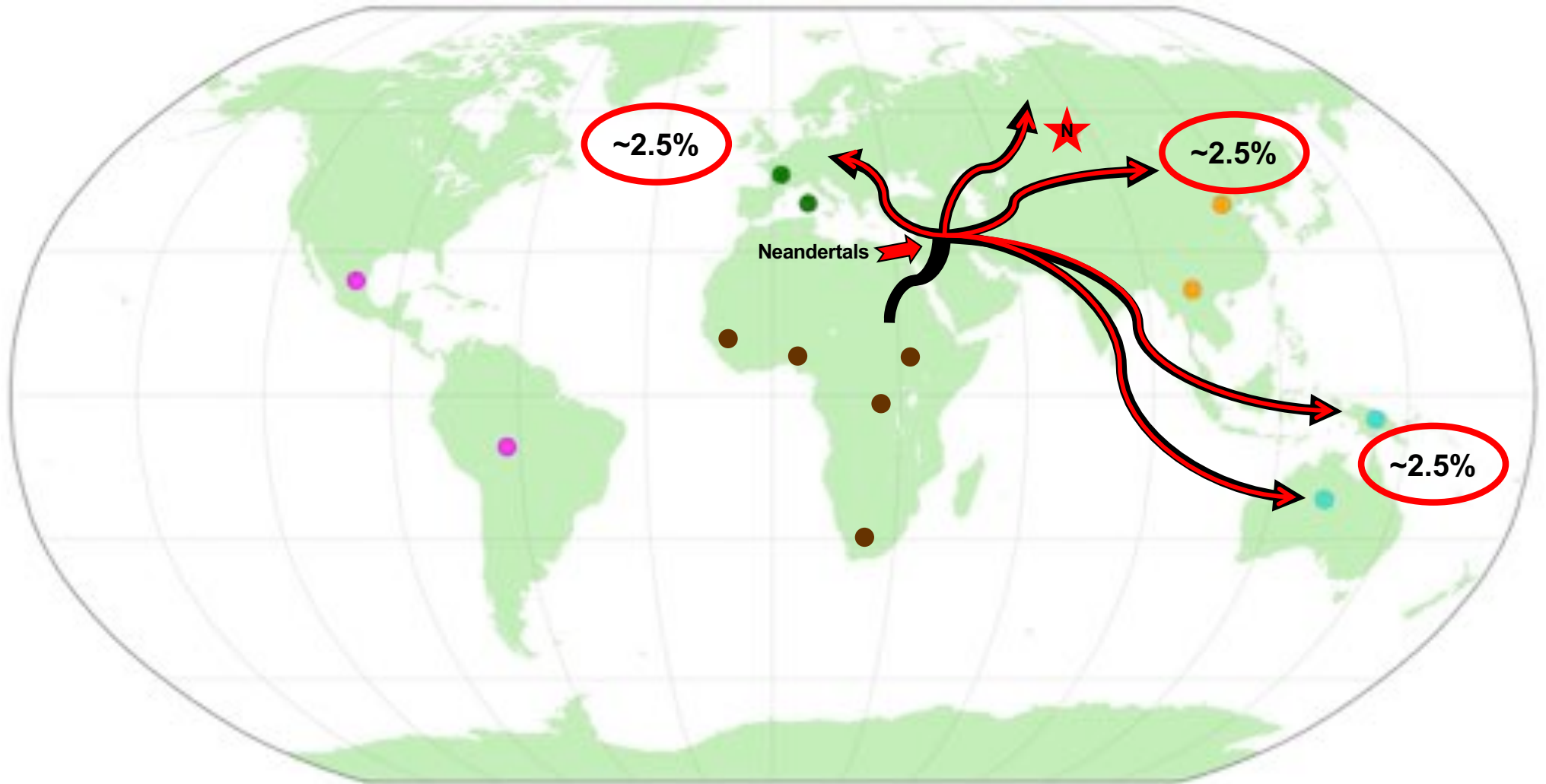
Did we mix?

Also see Neanderthals
match Chinese
significantly more
often...

... but Neanderthals
never lived in China!



Neanderthal Interbreeding



As modern humans migrated out of Africa, they apparently interbred with Neanderthals so we see their alleles across the rest of the world and carry about 2.5% of their genome with us!

What about other ancient hominids?



Denisova cave Altai mountains Russia

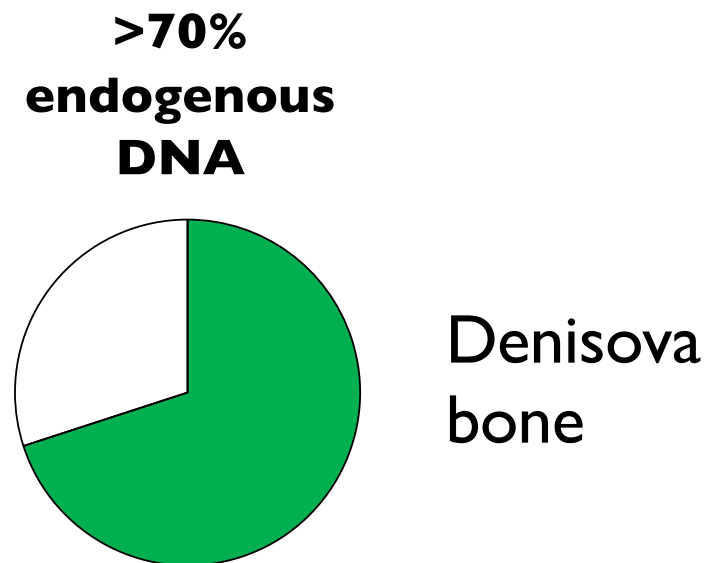
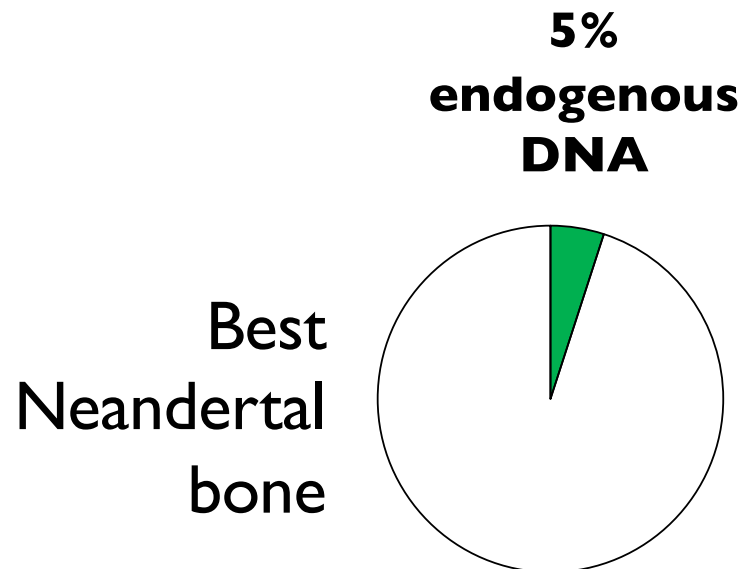
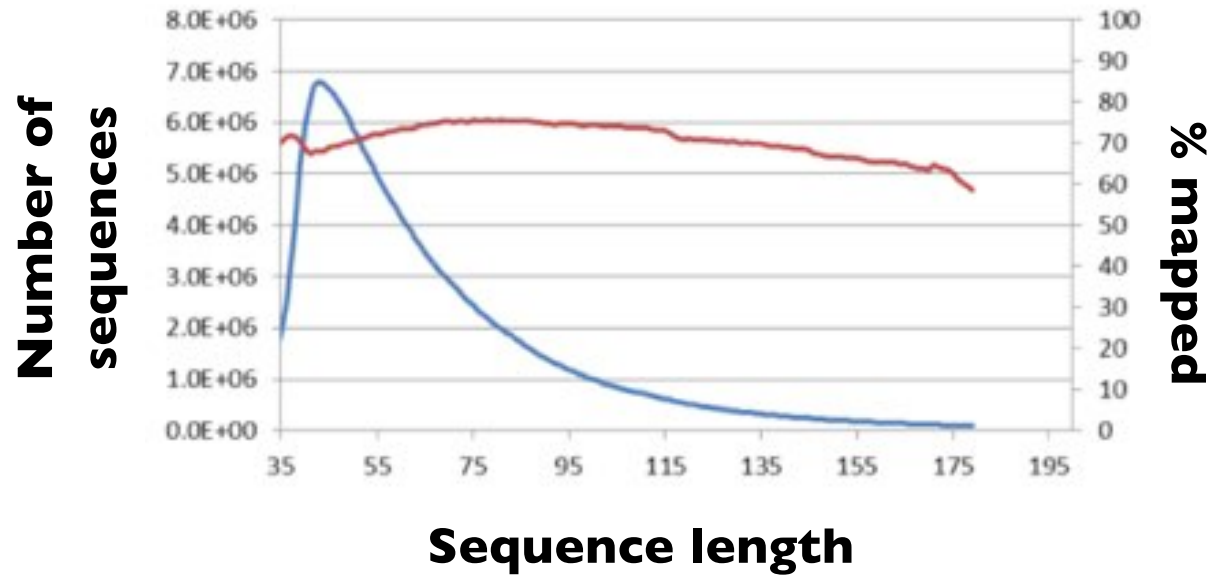


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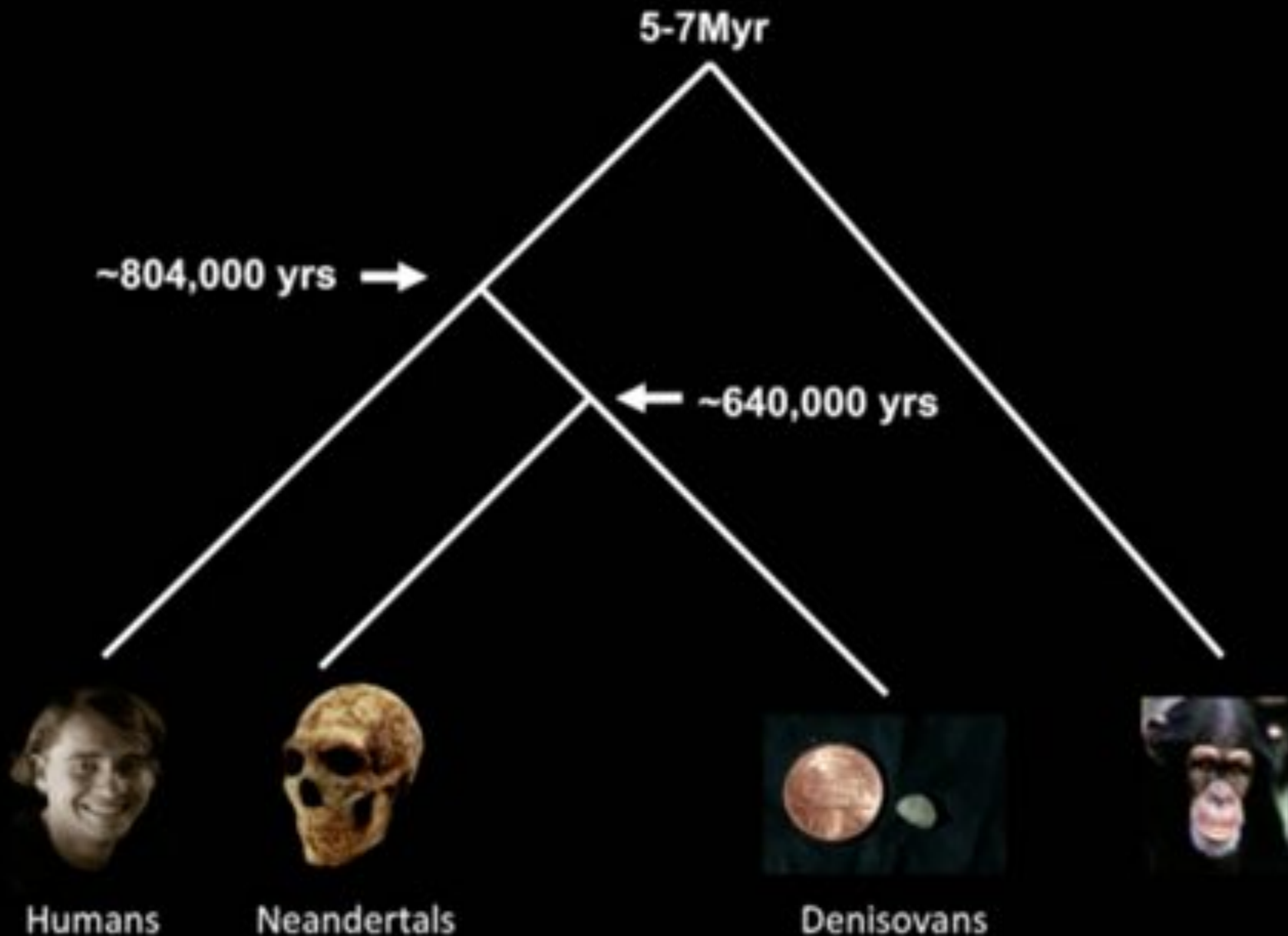




Extraordinary preservation



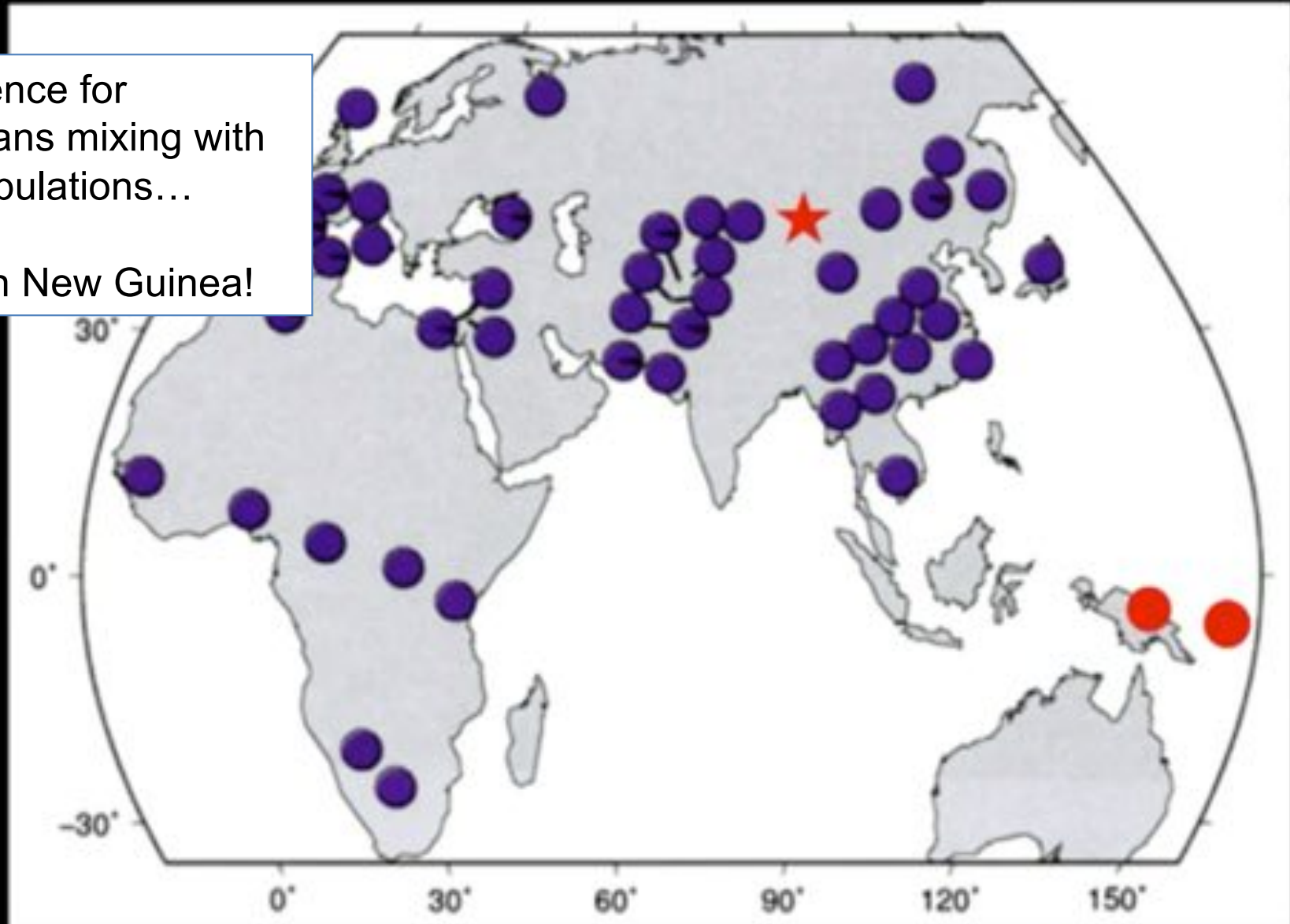
Denisovans & Neandertals



Did we mix?

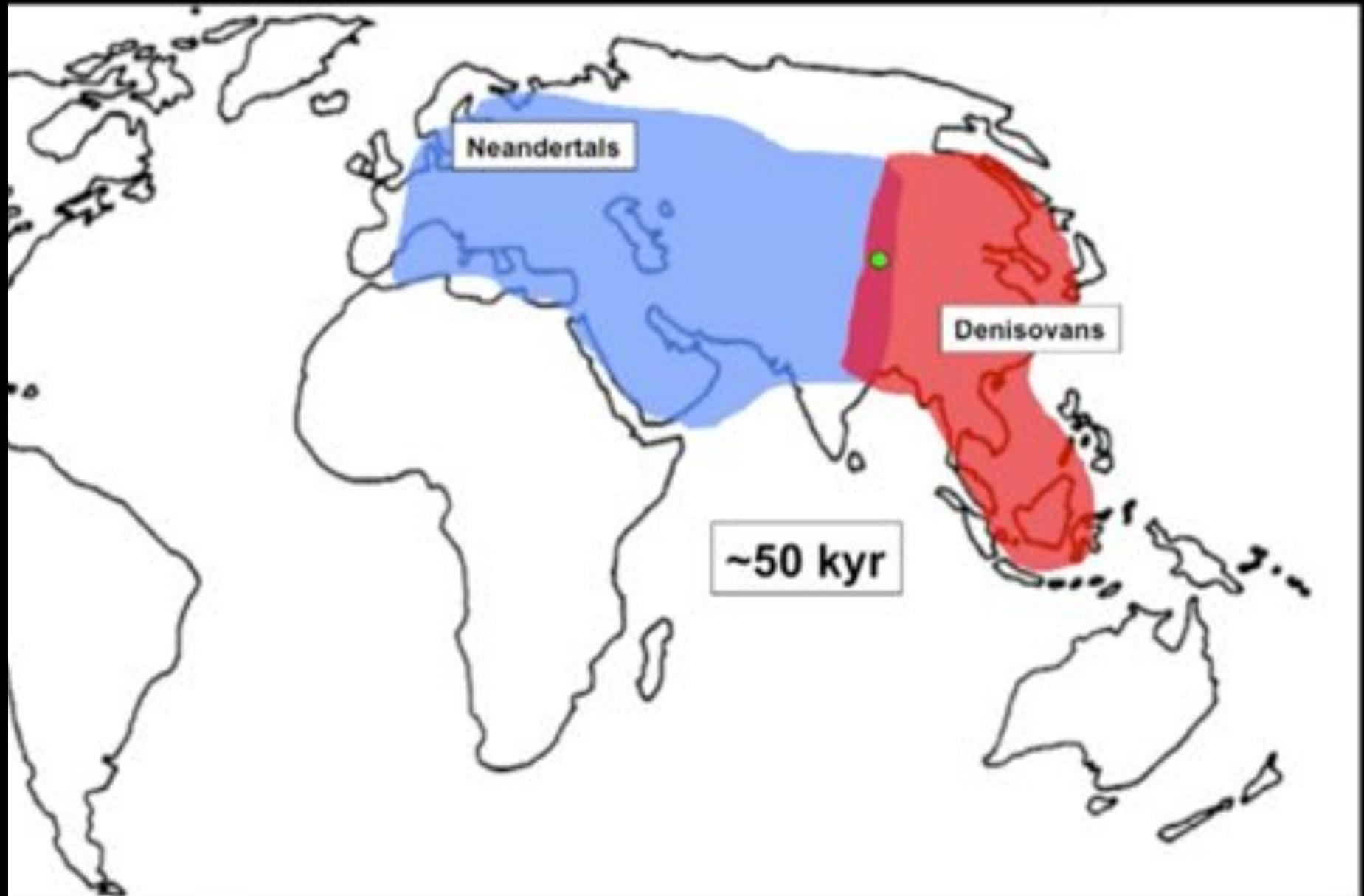
No evidence for
Denisovans mixing with
other populations...

Except in New Guinea!

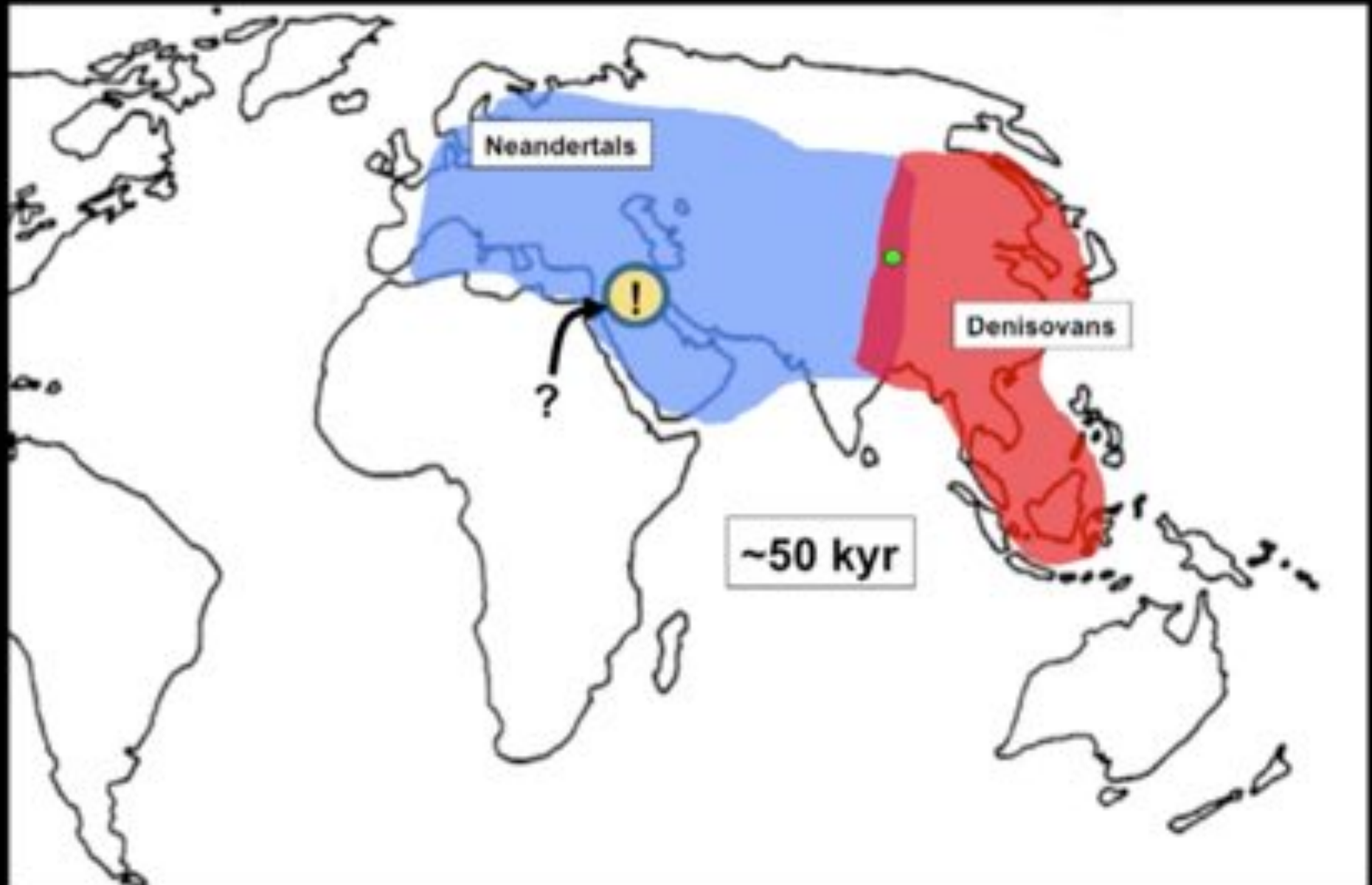


Map after Pickrell et al., 2009

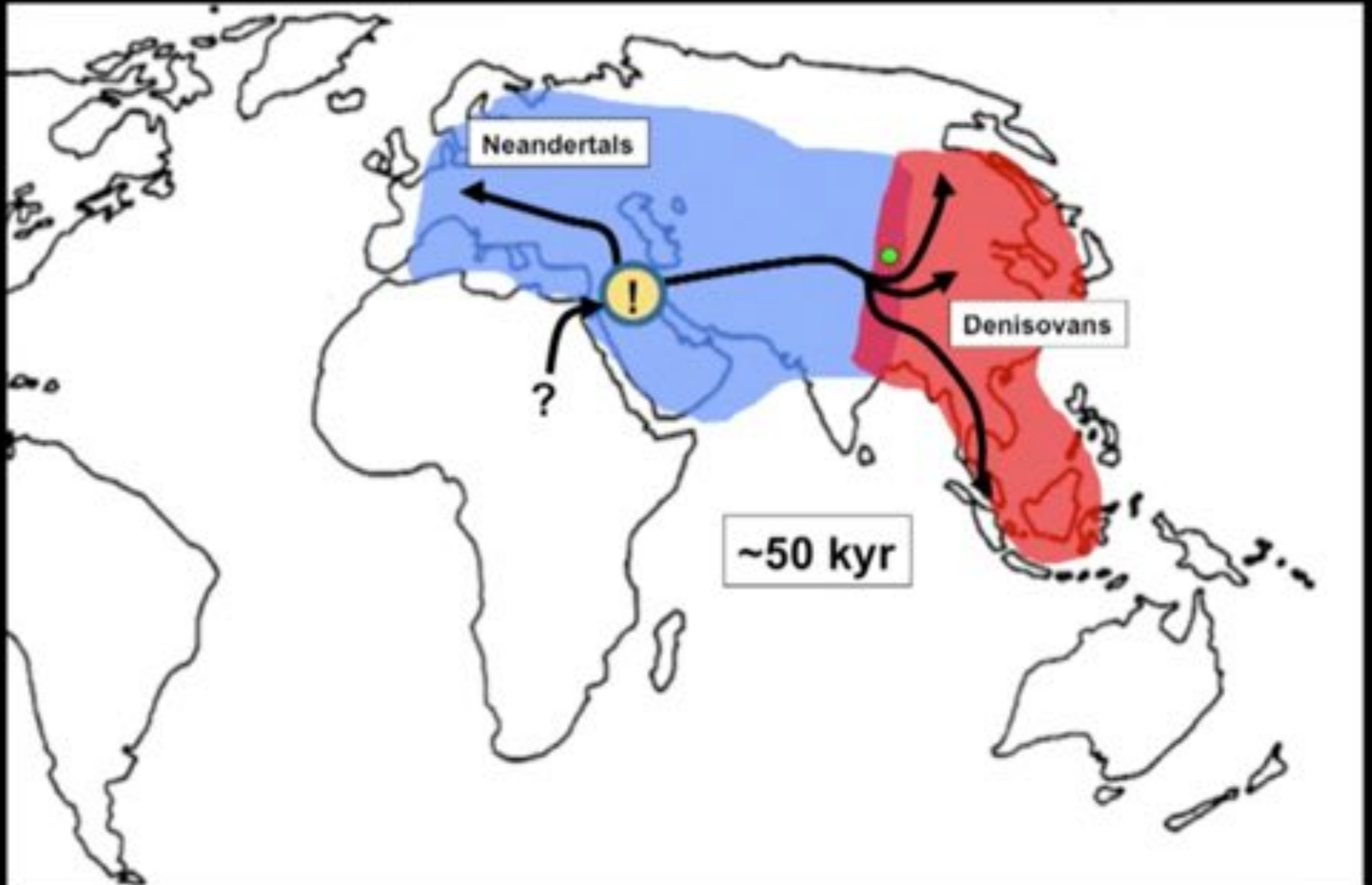
Timeline of ancient hominids



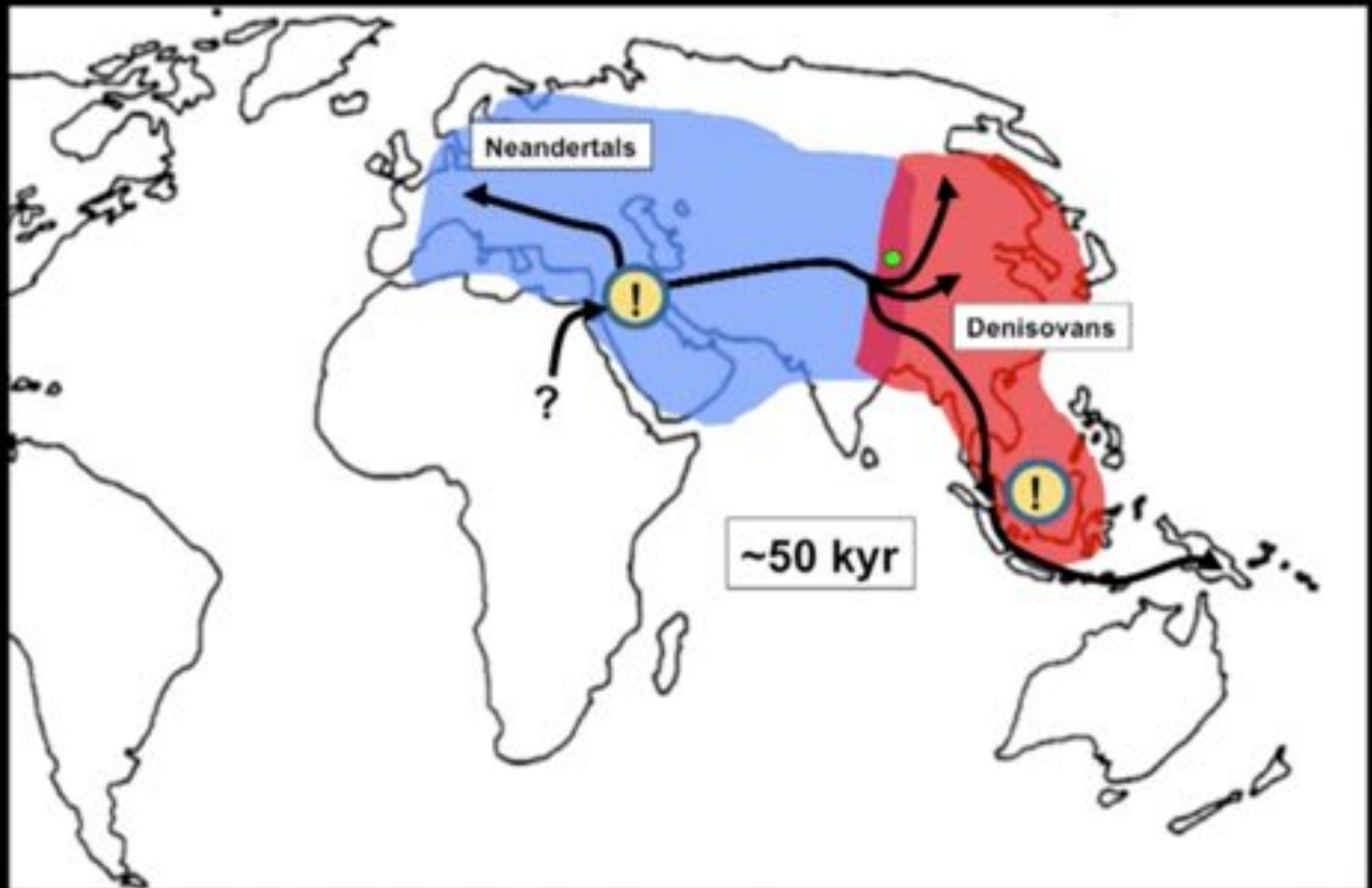
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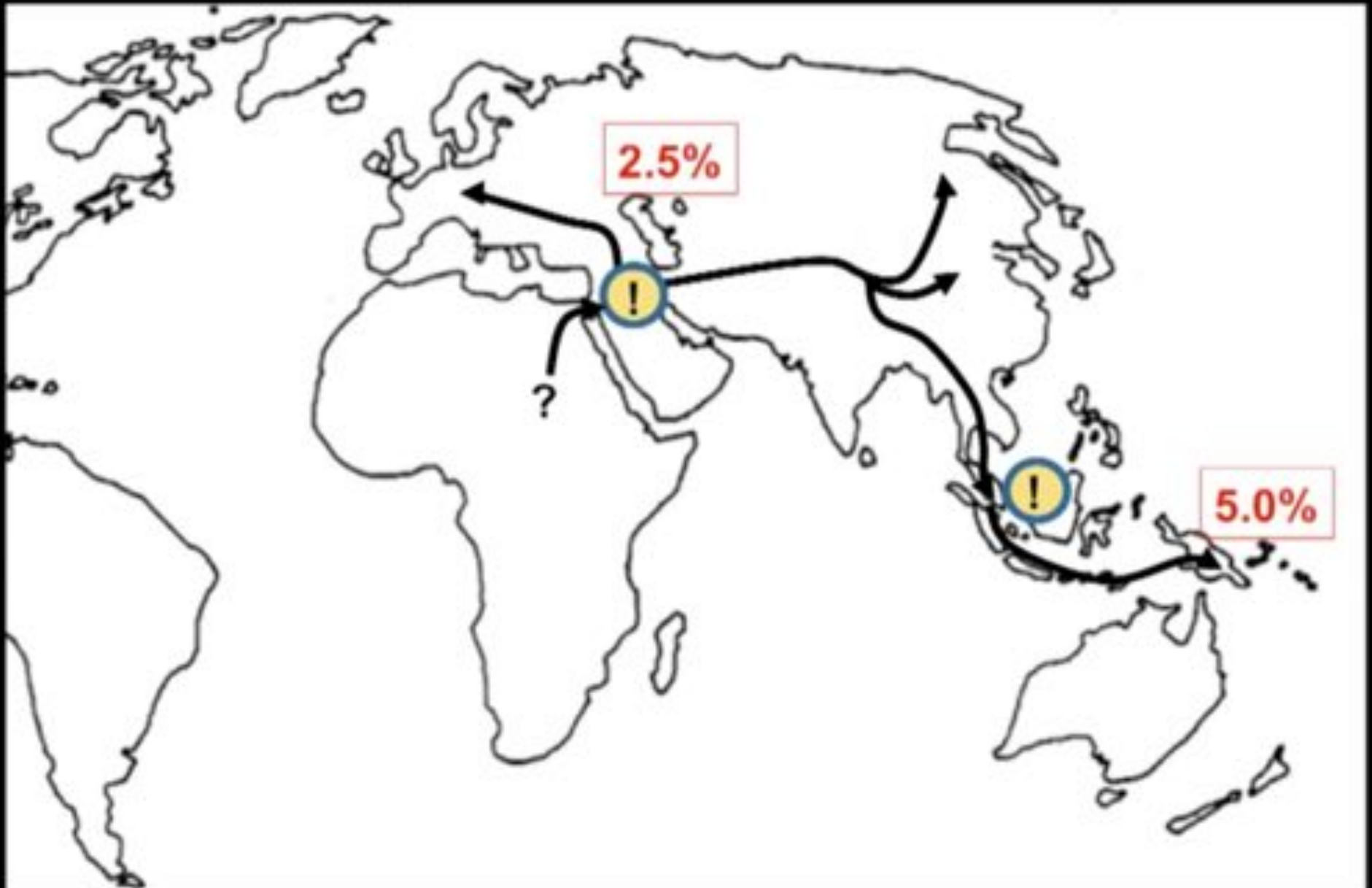
Timeline of ancient hominids



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Timeline of ancient hominids



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Excavating Neandertal and Denisovan DNA from the genomes of Melanesian individuals

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Although Neandertal sequences that persist in the genomes of modern humans have been identified in Eurasians, comparable studies in people whose ancestors hybridized with both Neandertals and Denisovans are lacking. We developed an approach to identify DNA inherited from multiple archaic hominin ancestors and applied it to whole-genome sequences from 1523 geographically diverse individuals, including 35 new Island Melanesian genomes. In aggregate, we recovered 1.34 Gb and 303 Mb of the Neandertal and Denisovan genome, respectively. We leverage these maps of archaic sequence to show that Neandertal admixture occurred multiple times in different non-African populations, characterize genomic regions that are significantly depleted of archaic sequence, and identify signatures of adaptive introgression.

Recipe for a modern human

109,295 single nucleotide changes (SNCs)
7,944 insertions and deletions

Changes in protein coding genes

277 cause fixed amino acid substitutions
87 affect splice sites

Changes in Non-coding & regulatory sequences

26 affect well-defined motifs inside
 regulatory regions

Enrichment analysis

Nonsynonymous	None	- Giant melanosomes in melanocytes (p=6.77e-6; FWER=0.091;
Splice sites		
3' UTR	None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1-3 toe syndactyly (p=1.34288e-05; FWER=0.538; FDR=0.0887928) - 1-5 toe syndactyly (p=1.34288e-05; FWER=0.538; FDR=0.0887928) - Aplasia/Hypoplasia of the distal phalanx of the thumb (p=1.34288e-05; FWER=0.538; FDR=0.0887928) - Bifid or hypoplastic epiglottis (p=1.34288e-05; FWER=0.538; FDR=0.0887928) - Central polydactyly (feet) (p=1.34288e-05; FWER=0.538; FDR=0.0887928)
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skin pigmentation

skeletal morphologies (limb length, digit development)

morphologies of the larynx and the epiglottis



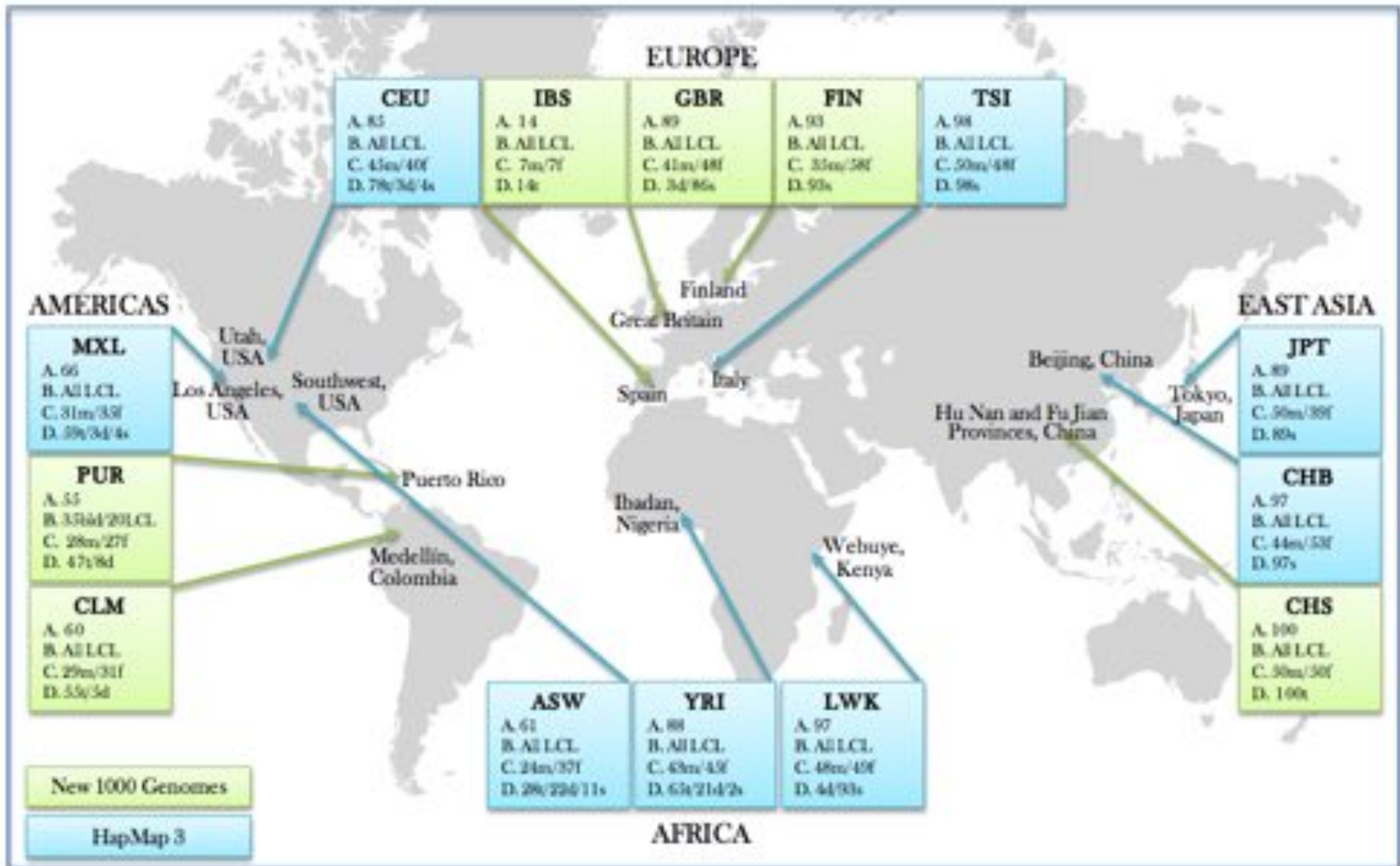
Part 3: Modern Humans

An integrated map of genetic variation from 1,092 human genomes

The 1000 Genomes Project Consortium*

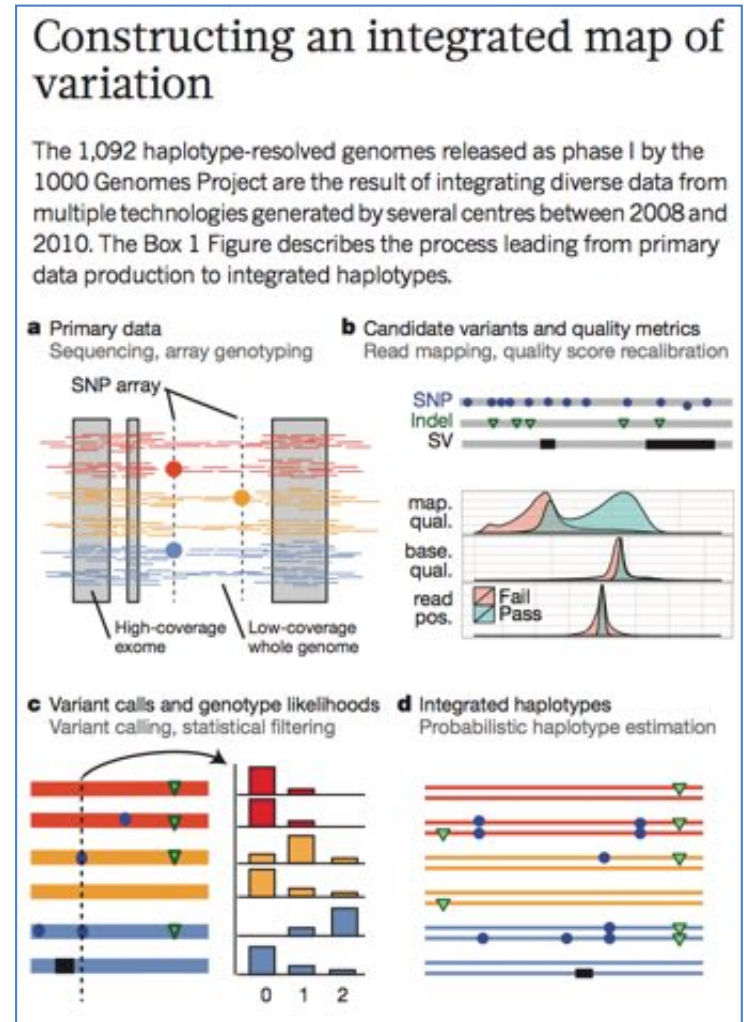
By characterizing the geographic and functional spectrum of human genetic variation, the 1000 Genomes Project aims to build a resource to help to understand the genetic contribution to disease. Here we describe the genomes of 1,092 individuals from 14 populations, constructed using a combination of low-coverage whole-genome and exome sequencing. By developing methods to integrate information across several algorithms and diverse data sources, we provide a validated haplotype map of 38 million single nucleotide polymorphisms, 1.4 million short insertions and deletions, and more than 14,000 larger deletions. We show that individuals from different populations carry different profiles of rare and common variants, and that low-frequency variants show substantial geographic differentiation, which is further increased by the action of purifying selection. We show that evolutionary conservation and coding consequence are key determinants of the strength of purifying selection, that rare-variant load varies substantially across biological pathways, and that each individual contains hundreds of rare non-coding variants at conserved sites, such as motif-disrupting changes in transcription-factor-binding sites. This resource, which captures up to 98% of accessible single nucleotide polymorphisms at a frequency of 1% in related populations, enables analysis of common and low-frequency variants in individuals from diverse, including admixed, populations.

1000 Genomes Populations



1000 Genomes: Human Mutation Rate

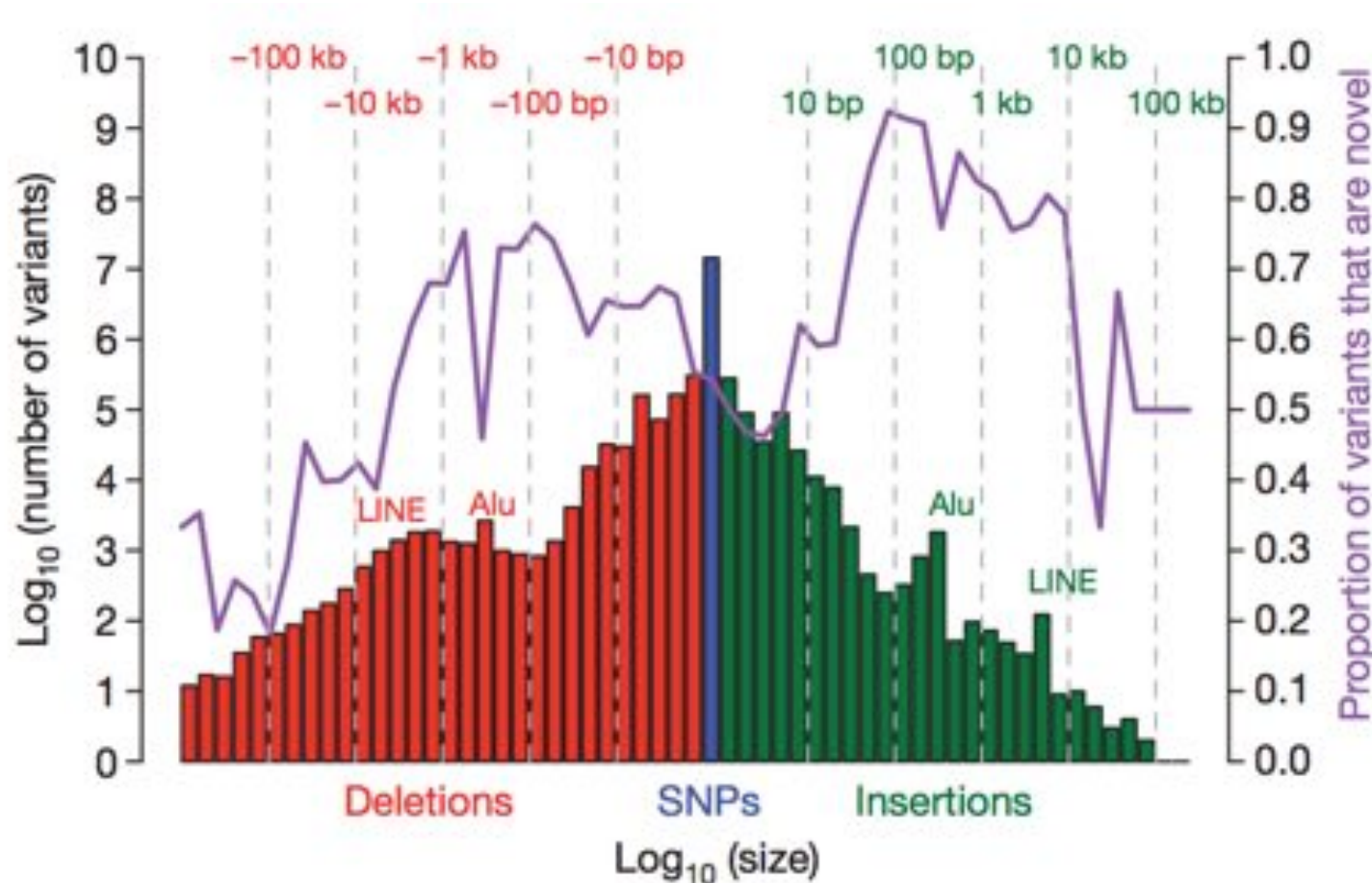
- Phase I Release
 - 1092 individuals from 14 populations
 - Combination of low coverage WGS, deep coverage WES, and SNP genotype data
- Overall SNP rate between any two people is $\sim 1/1200\text{bp}$ to $\sim 1/1300$
 - $\sim 3\text{M}$ SNPs between me and you (.1%)
 - $\sim 30\text{M}$ SNPs between human to Chimpanzees (1%)
- De novo mutation rate $\sim 1/100,000,000$
 - ~ 100 de novo mutations from generation to generation
 - $\sim 1\text{-}2$ de novo mutations within the protein coding genes



An integrated map of genetic variation from 1,092 human genomes

1000 genomes project (2012) *Nature*. doi:10.1038/nature11632

Human Mutation Types



- Mutations follows a “log-normal” frequency distribution
 - Most mutations are SNPs followed by small indels followed by larger events

A map of human genome variation from population-scale sequencing

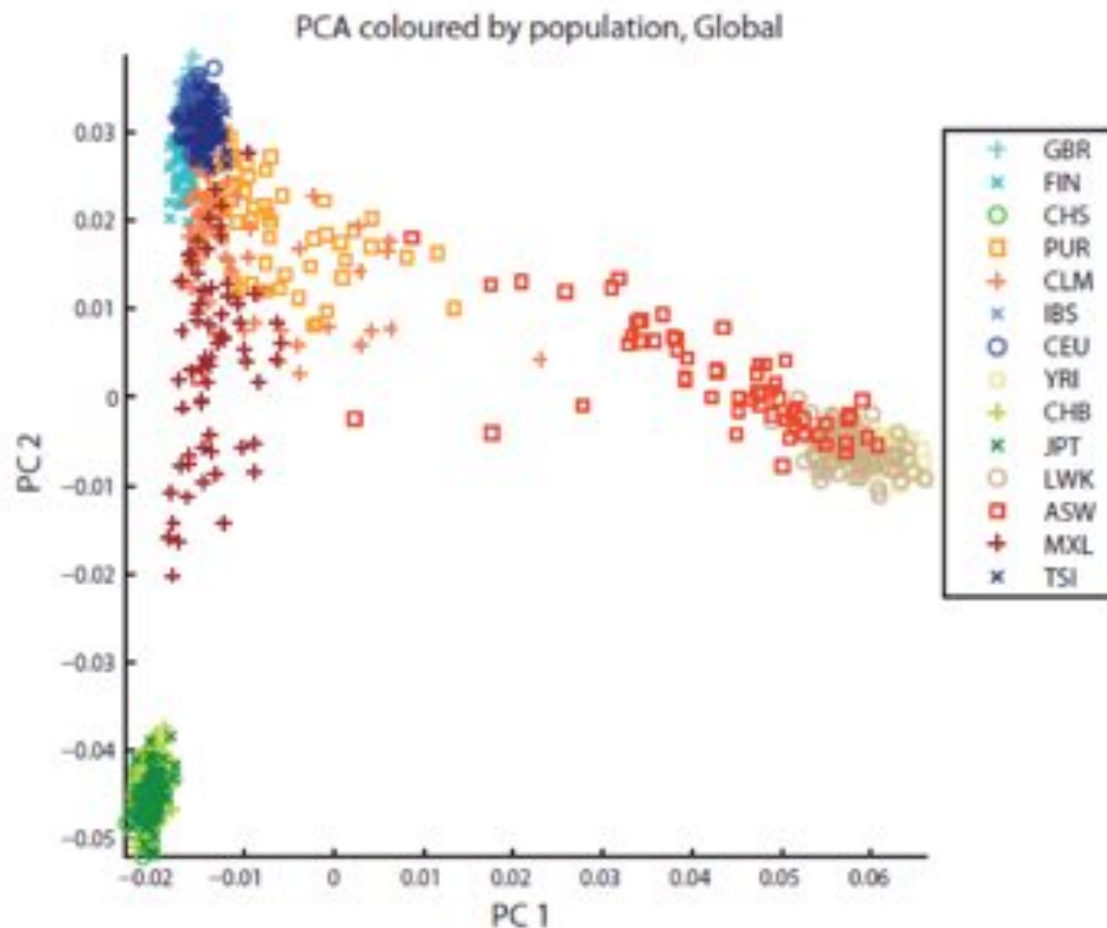
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A Systematic Survey of Loss-of-Function Variants in Human Protein-Coding Genes

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Genome-sequencing studies indicate that all humans carry many genetic variants predicted to cause loss of function (LoF) of protein-coding genes, suggesting unexpected redundancy in the human genome. Here we apply stringent filters to 2951 putative LoF variants obtained from 185 human genomes to determine their true prevalence and properties. **We estimate that human genomes typically contain ~100 genuine LoF variants with ~20 genes completely inactivated.** We identify rare and likely deleterious LoF alleles, including 26 known and 21 predicted severe disease-causing variants, as well as common LoF variants in nonessential genes. We describe functional and evolutionary differences between LoF-tolerant and recessive disease genes and a method for using these differences to prioritize candidate genes found in clinical sequencing studies.

Variation across populations



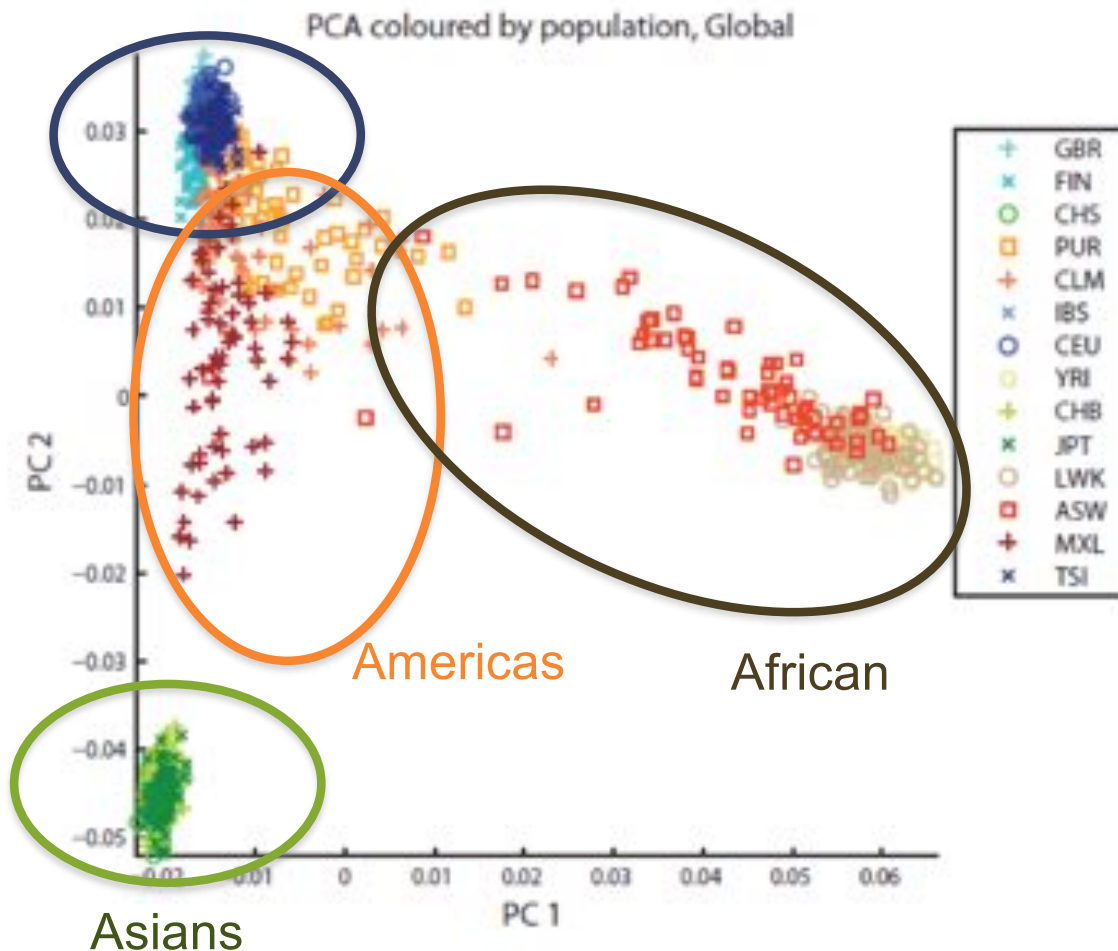
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AFR	LWK-YRI	251	50.2
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ASN	CHS-JPT	275	48.1
ASN	CHB-JPT	176	43.7
ASN	CHB-CHS	79	38.7
EUR	FIN-TSI	343	42.6
EUR	CEU-FIN	201	40.7
EUR	FIN-GBR	197	43.2
EUR	GBR-TSI	100	38.9
EUR	CEU-TSI	57	53.8
EUR	CEU-GBR	17	14.3
CON	AFR-EUR	348	52.2
CON	AFR-ASN	317	52.6
CON	ASN-EUR	190	53.4

Table S12A Summary of sites showing high levels of population differentiation

- Not a single variant 100% unique to a given population
- 17% of low-frequency variants (.5-5% pop. freq) observed in a single ancestry group
- 50% of rare variants (<.5%) observed in a single population

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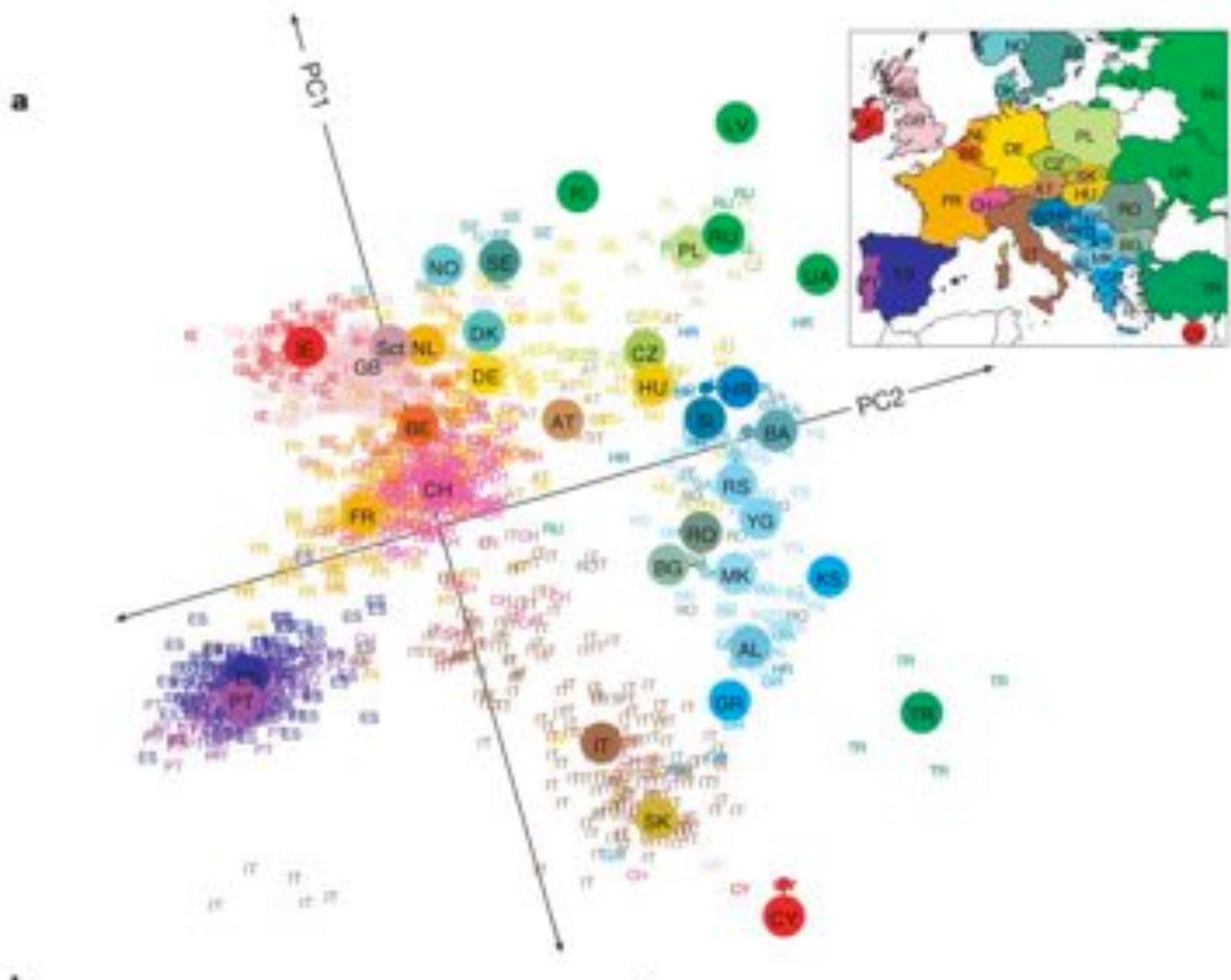
Europeans



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EUR	GBR-TSI	100	38.9
EUR	CEU-TSI	57	53.8
EUR	CEU-GBR	17	14.3
CON	AFR-EUR	348	52.2
CON	AFR-ASN	317	52.6
CON	ASN-EUR	190	53.4

Table S12A Summary of sites showing high levels of population differentiation

- Not a single variant 100% unique to a given population
- 17% of low-frequency variants (.5-5% pop. freq) observed in a single ancestry group
- 50% of rare variants (<.5%) observed in a single population



Genes mirror geography within Europe

Novembre et al (2008) Nature. doi: 10.1038/nature07331



Next Steps

1. Reflect on the magic and power of DNA 😊
2. Check out the course webpage
3. Work on HW3