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Allele Frequencies for the COFILER™ STR Loci in the Canadian Caucasian and Canadian First Nations Populations

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Populations: Canadian Caucasians were comprised of individuals from Edmonton and Vancouver; three separate Canadian First Nations databases were derived from Northern Ontario/Ojibwa, Saskatchewan Cree, and British Columbia Salishan individuals

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Blood samples from 79 individuals from Edmonton, 85 individuals from Vancouver, 128 individuals from Northern Ontario, 104 individuals from Saskatchewan, and 104 individuals from Salishan were provided from anonymous residents of Canada who were blood donors participating in either clinical research studies or blood donor clinics. DNA extraction was performed according to established RCMP protocols (1). PCR amplification was per-

formed using the AmpFεSTR CofilerTM PCR Amplification Kit (Perkin-Elmer, Foster City, California) following established RCMP protocols (1) with a reduced PCR amplification reaction volume of 5 μL. The amplified products were detected using the 377 Sequencer (Perkin-Elmer, Foster City, California). Data were analyzed using the GenePop program (2) for Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium, linkage equilibrium, and population differentiation tests. From the group of tests done on each population for each locus, the Bonneferonni correction criterion was invoked and no deviation from Hardy-Weinberg or pairwise linkage equilibrium was noted. Amalgamation of the Edmonton and Vancouver populations into a single data set was possible, with no deviation from Hardy-Weinberg or pairwise linkage equilibrium when combined.

The complete data are available to any interested researcher at the following world wide web site URL: http://www.csfs.ca/databases/index.htm.

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Locus: D3S1358							
Allele	Caucasian ($N = 79$ Edmonton individuals + 85 Vancouver individuals)	Northern Ontario $(N = 128 \text{ individuals})$	Saskatchewan $(N = 104 \text{ individuals})$	Salishan $(N = 104 \text{ individuals})$			
12	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.000			
13	0.006	0.004	0.000	0.000			
14	0.134	0.078	0.048	0.053			
15	0,290	0.383	0.423	0.519			
16	0.229	0.477	0.438	0.298			
17	0.162	0.020	0.063	0.101			
18	0.162	0.039	0.024	0.029			
19	0.015	0.000	0.005	0.000			
P (exact test)*	0.226	0.095	0.090	0.029			

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Locus: D16S539

	Locus. L			
Allele	Caucasian $(N = 79 \text{ Edmonton individuals} + 85 \text{ Vancouver individuals})$	Northern Ontario $(N = 128 \text{ individuals})$	Saskatchewan ($N = 104$ individuals)	Salishan $(N = 104 \text{ individuals})$
8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 P (exact test)*	0.015 0.128 0.061 0.311 0.299 0.159 0.024 0.003 0.560	0.000 0.098 0.125 0.352 0.309 0.109 0.000 0.008	0.000 0.082 0.154 0.313 0.351 0.096 0.005 0.000	0.019 0.308 0.082 0.341 0.183 0.067 0.000 0.000
	Locus	TH01		
Allele	Caucasian $(N = 79 \text{ Edmonton individuals} + 85 \text{ Vancouver individuals})$	Northern Ontario $(N = 128 \text{ individuals})$	Saskatchewan $(N = 104 \text{ individuals})$	Salishan $(N = 104 \text{ individuals})$
5 6 7 8 9 9.3 10 P (exact test)*	0.009 0.201 0.201 0.104 0.162 0.308 0.015	0.000 0.137 0.688 0.016 0.012 0.148 0.000 0.063	0.000 0.216 0.514 0.034 0.058 0.173 0.005	0.000 0.067 0.558 0.029 0.043 0.303 0.000 0.416
	Locus:	TPOX		
Allele	Caucasian $(N = 79 \text{ Edmonton individuals} + 85 \text{ Vancouver individuals})$	Northern Ontario $(N = 128 \text{ individuals})$	Saskatchewan $(N = 104 \text{ individuals})$	Salishan $(N = 104 \text{ individuals})$
8 9 10 11 12 13 P (exact test)*	0.534 0.119 0.046 0.253 0.049 0.000 0.736	0.391 0.012 0.012 0.398 0.184 0.004 0.106	0.308 0.024 0.029 0.423 0.216 0.000 0.840	0.500 0.010 0.010 0.293 0.188 0.000 0.262
	Locus: C	CSF1PO		
Allele	Caucasian ($N = 79$ Edmonton individuals + 85 Vancouver individuals)	Northern Ontario $(N = 128 \text{ individuals})$	Saskatchewan $(N = 104 \text{ individuals})$	Salishan $(N = 104 \text{ individuals})$
6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 P (exact test)*	0.000 0.000 0.006 0.024 0.265 0.320 0.308 0.052 0.018 0.006 0.523	0.004 0.000 0.000 0.047 0.375 0.102 0.445 0.008 0.020 0.000	0.000 0.000 0.000 0.063 0.298 0.135 0.452 0.043 0.010 0.000	0.000 0.005 0.000 0.043 0.255 0.106 0.505 0.087 0.000 0.000
	Locus: I	<u></u>		
Allele	Caucasian $(N = 79 \text{ Edmonton individuals} + 85 \text{ Vancouver individuals})$	Northern Ontario $(N = 128 \text{ individuals})$	Saskatchewan $(N = 104 \text{ individuals})$	Salishan (N = 104 individuals)
7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 P (exact test)*	0.018 0.162 0.131 0.262 0.250 0.128 0.046 0.003 0.994	0.000 0.023 0.000 0.211 0.508 0.199 0.059 0.000 0.268	0.005 0.139 0.038 0.288 0.308 0.178 0.034 0.010 0.086	0.000 0.130 0.063 0.154 0.442 0.183 0.029 0.000 0.024

^{*} P (exact test) based on 5000 dememorization steps, 1000 batches and 1000 iterations per batch using the GenePop program (2).