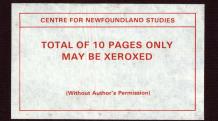
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ABSTRACT

The purpose of this thesis was to study the human complement components, C6 and C7, in Newfoundland and to pursue the genetics of these proteins within the limits of the material obtained and the time allowed.

Approximately 2400 sera from three Newfoundland populations were allotyped by the method of isoelectric focusing in polyacrylamide gel followed by specific hemolytic overlay. The frequencies of the common alleles were calculated for two of these populations. The West Coast community had frequencies of C6*a (0.6321) and C6*B (0.3670) and the Newfoundland families plus random individuals in a group had C6*A (0.6947) and C6*B (0.2980). These frequencies are similar to those found in other populations. The C6 alleles observed in the three populations were inherited in a manner consistant with a single autosomal locus and there was no evidence to suggest selection against the inheritance of the rare alleles. Examination for linkage of C6 with HLA reiterated the negative results of previous studies. An attempt to link the C6 and SOD (superoxide dismutase) loci in a West Coast family having a rare SOD variant was made but the data were uninformative.

The homozygous C7*1 pattern was by far the most commonly observed, occurring in more than 99% of the samples allotyped. The novel observation and investigation of an artifact associated with prolonged serum storage of the C7*1 protein such that it is modified and mimics the migration of the C7*3 protein during isoelectric focusing is described. Genuine C7*3 alleles were also observed, two in heterozygote form, C7 3-1, and one which was due to either C7*3 homozygosity or C7 3-0. Data suggesting the C7*2 allele is of Chinese origin are presented.

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ADDENDUM

Since the final writing of this thesis, nine unrelated local Chinese people have been bled and their serum typed for C7. Of the nine, three were heterozygous for C7*2. This supports the suggestion that this allele is of Chinese origin and appears with a frequency of approximately 17%. Further studies are currently in progress to accumulate family data for linkage efforts.

SECOND ADDENDUM

Following evaluation of this thesis it has been pointed out that the term "allele" has been used here, as it sometimes is in published literature on C6 & C7, in an imprecise manner. The DNA sequence coding for a polymorphic polypeptide is, strictly speaking the "allele". whilst the polymorphic polypeptide or protein should be referred to as the "gene product". The thesis should be read with this reservation in mind.

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CHAPTER I INTRODUCTION

In this chapter, the review of the pertinent literature is divided into three parts, each becoming more detailed than the last. An overview of the structure and function of the complement system is followed by a review of the genetic discoveries and ideas about the system. Finally, a detailed review of the literature on the genetics of the sixth and seventh complement components, the subject of the present thesis, is presented.

OVERVIEW OF THE COMPLEMENT SYSTEM, STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION

For this overview, the following review articles have been used to provide much of the material for the classical pathway:

> Müller-Eberhard, H.J., 1968 Müller-Eberhard, H.J., 1970-71 Müller-Eberhard, H.J., 1974 Frank, M.M., 1975

and the following for the alternative pathway:

Osler, A.G. and A.L. Sandberg, 1973 Götze, O. and H.J. Müller-Eberhard, 1976 Müller-Eberhard, H.J. and R.D. Schreiber, 1980 Feardon. D.T. and K.F. Austen. 1980.

When first identified, complement was though to be a single serum factor that acted in conjunction with antibody to cause cell lysis. Its first investigator, Pfeiffer, in 1894, studied the bacteriolytic property of serum from immunized guinea pigs. Heating of the serum at 56° C for one half hour resulted in loss of the bacteriolytic activity. However, upon addition of fresh serum from non-immunized guinea pigs, the sensitized cells could be lyzed. Four years later, Bordet identified the requirement for this same thermolabile serum factor for immune hemolysis. Since that time, complement has been shown to be a multifactor system made up of at least twenty discrete proteins that have been isolated and each assigned various activities. With properties such as chemotaxis, opsonization, immune adherence, anaphylatoxin activation, promotion of blood coagulation and virus neutralization, as well as immune hemolysis, the complement system is complex and intricate. It can, however, be looked at as a simple cascade of the components acting upon each other in a precise sequence. The multistep system limits the amount of host cell destruction in the vicinity of the recognized antigen by two means. Firstly, the components exist in serum and the body fluids as inactive proteins and secondly, when activated by specific biochemical steps, the enzymatic half-life of the proteins is yery short.

When describing the mode of action by which the complement system works, a three unit model has been adopted (Gotze, O. and H.J. Müller-Eberhard, 1970): a recognition unit comprised of subcomponents Clq, Clr and Cls; an activation unit of C4, C2 and C3; and finally, the membrane attack unit of C5, C6, C7, C8 and C9. Not one of the proteins is dispensible and the cascade must proceed in a precise sequence for efficient cytolysis. Slow lysis will occur without the addition of C9 (Stolfi, 1968) but upon its addition the rate is greatly increased (Haxby and Kolb, 1972).

The Recognition Unit

Complement is activated by antibodies of the IgM and most IgG classes (strongly by Y_1 and Y_2 , weakly by Y_3) and not activated by the immunoglobulins IgA, IgD, IgE or Y_4 (Ishizaka et al. 1966; Ishizaka et al. 1967; Augener et al. 1971).

The first component, Cl, exists in serum as a complex of subunits Clq, Clr and Cls in the ratio of 1:2:4 respectively (Naff et al. 1964). The macromolecule is stabilized by calcium ions (Lepow et al. 1963).

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Recognition of the antibody-antigen complexes is mediated by the globular tulip-like head structures of Clq. Clq has six of these heads, each on its own thin tendril attached to the central unit. Clq binds to the Fc portion of the immunoglobulin (Kehoe and Fougereau, 1969) and it is thought that the action of the binding causes a change in the conformation of the central unit which results in a modification of Clr. revealing the Clr enymatic site which activates Cls.

Esterolytic activity resides in the Cls subunit and will enzymatically cleave the unactivated precusors of C3-convertase, C4 and C2 (Naff et al. 1964).

The Activation Unit

C4 is enzymatically fragmented into a small molecular weight unit, C4a, which is released into free solution. The remaining activated larger fragment, C4b, attaches itself to the membrane around the site of the immunoglobulin- \overline{OI} complex. Activated C1 (\overline{OI}) fragments hundreds of C4 molecules. A protecting inhibitor, C1-INH, binds to the \overline{OIs} site and thus limits the consumption of C4 (Levy and Lepow, 1959). Also, the binding of the C4b fragment to the antigen membrane is inefficient, only approximately 10% of all the fragmented C4b doing so. The free C4b has a very short half-life, soon becoming C4b₁, and this again decreases the amount of host cell damage.

C4b bound to the membrane exhibits a binding site for C2 which is also activated by the esterolytic action of $\overline{\text{C1s}}$. C2 is fragmented as was C4, into C2a and C2b. The larger, C2a, binds to C4b to form $\overline{\text{C4b2a}}$, known as C3-convertase (Mayer and Miller, 1965).

The C3-convertase activity resides in the C2a subunit and enzymatically activates C3 (Cooper, 1971). As previously, activation requires

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the fragmentation of the component into small and large molecular weight subunits, C3a and C3b respectively. This step is of great importance in that the bound C4b2a converts thousands of C3 molecules into its two fragments. There is a focal distribution about the C4b2a site as C3b binds to the membrane and C3a is released into the fluid phase (Müller-Eberhard et al. 1966). Only the C3b closest to the site of the bound C4b2a will form C4b2a3b, necessary for the formation of the membrane attack unit.

The Membrane Attack Unit

Activated, membrane bound C4b2a3b cleaves the next complement protein, C5, into C5a and C5b. The larger molecular weight fragment, C5b, binds to the membrane and upon doing so, reveals a binding site for C6. There is thought to be no fragmentation of the C6 molecule, nor is there of C7 which binds to the activated C5b6 complex to form C5b67. It may be that binding of C7 to $\overline{C5b6}$ reveals a hydrophobic site which allows association between the complex and the membrane lipids (Polley et al. 1971). The discovery of tributyrinase activity attributable to C7 may include this component as an active participant in membrane interaction, possibly in the capacity of a lipase (Delâge et al. 1973).

Binding of C8 to $C\overline{5b67}$ results in slow hemolysis which is rapidly increased upon addition of C9. There is disagreement on the number of C9 molecules required for effective lysis, it being either a single molecule (Rommel and Mayer, 1973; Kitamura and Inai, 1974) or up to six (Kolb and Haxby, 1972a; Kolb et al. 1972b).

Recently, the hypothesis of the five late components (C5, C6, C7, C8 and C9) binding to form a donut-shaped unit which, when inserted into the bilipid membrane layer, would allow diffusion and therefore, ly-

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sis, has been challenged. Nascent C5b-9 complexes have been shown to aggregate spontaneously (Podack et al. 1978; Podack et al. 1980) and analysis of solute diffusion across the C5b-9 membrane lesion now suggests that the pore size is heterogenous and must result from aggregation of the bound C5b-9 complexes into multimeric units (Sims and Lauf, 1980).

The Alternative Complement Pathway

The complement system can also be activated by an alternative pathway or Properdin pathway. The early components C1, C4 and C2 are bynassed by Properdin. Factor D and Factor B.

Credit for the discovery of the Properdin system goes to Pillemer and associates, who first recognized that complement activities, specifically bactericidal, virus-neutralizing and hemolytic, could be initiated without the presence of immune aggregates, in conditions that inhibit Cl complex formation or in serum deficient in any one of the initial components (Pillemer et al. 1954).

The Properdin pathway is initiated by polysaccharides, endotoxins, cell walls and zymosan (Pillemer, 1956; Pillemer et al. 1955), requires magnesium ions (Pillemer et al. 1954) and consumes what was once known as C'3 (Pillemer et al. 1953; Pillemer et al. 1956), now known as C3, C5, C6, C7, C8, and C9 (Klein and Wellensiek, 1965; Wellensiek and Klein, 1965; Linscott and Nishioka, 1963; Nilsson and Müller-Eberhard, 1965). Early investigation isolated a Factor A necessary in the Properdin system but this was later identified as C3b (Müller-Eberhard and Götze, 1972). The Properdin pathway is thus non-specific in that specific antibody is not required for its activation. Presence of immune aggregates nevertheless may enhance the activation.

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Small amounts of C3b are continuously produced by the slow interaction of C3, Factor B, Factor D and Properdin. The C3b molecules attach to cell surfaces (Law and Levine, 1977) and in the presence of magnesium ions, Factor B binds to the C3b. Factor D then cleaves the bound B into two fragments, Ba and Bb, the fragment which cleaves C3. The C3 cleaving ability of Bb is stabilized by the binding of Properdin to the C3b subunit.

The formation of BbC3b is controlled by ßlH which inhibits by actively blocking the binding of B, by dissociating the B or Bb bound to the C3b and by increasing C3b susceptibility to cleavage by C3-inactivator. The outcome of the competition between ßlH and Factor B is dependent upon whether the C3b subunit has attached to an activator. C3b on the surface of a non-activator has a 100 fold greater affinity for SlH than for Factor B. However, when bound to an activator surface, the uptake of B is favored (Feardon and Austen, 1977a; Feardon and Austen, 1977b). The C3-convertase activity provides, by cleavage of C3, more C3b for the formation of BbC3b, (C3-convertase), and forms a positive feedback loop. It is at this stage that C3 inactivator exhibits its property of binding and cleaving C3b into two fragments, C3c and C3d, thus stopping the overconsumption of C3 (Ruddy and Austen, 1971). C3 inactivator also inactivates C4b, cleaving it into its inactive forms, C4c and C4d (Cooper, 1975).

The C3b generated by the alternative C3-convertase $\overline{BbC3b}$ then activates C5 and the late components are activated and function' in the same fashion as in the classical cascade. The convergence of the two pathways is shown in Figure I which expresses clearly the importance of C3 in both.

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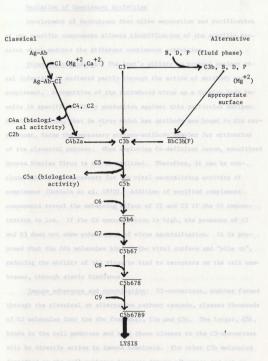


Figure I. Convergence of the classical and alternative pathways.

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Mediation of Complement Activities

Development of techniques that allow separation and purification of the specific components allowed identification of the specific proreins which mediate the different complement activities.

Virus neutralization: The host's ability to protect against virel infection is mediated partly through the action of antibody and complement. Recognition of the introduced virus as a foreign body results in specific antibody production against this particular antigen. Sensitized virus, that is virus which has antibody now bound to its capsid coat, forms the necessary antigen-antibody complex for activation of the classical pathway. When employing C4-deficient serum, sensitized Herpes Simplex Virus is not neutralized. Therefore, it can be concluded that C4 is necessary for the viral neutralizing activity of complement (Daniels et al. 1970). Addition of purified complement components reveal the enhancing effect of C2 and C3 if the C4 concentration is low. If the C4 concentration is high, the presence of C2 and C3 does not show enhancement of virus neutralization. It is proposed that the C4b molecules bind to the viral surface and "pile up", reducing the ability of the virus to bind to receptors on the cell membranes, through steric hindrance.

Immune_adherence_and_opsonization: C3-convertase, whether formed through the classical or alternative pathway cascade, cleaves thousands of C3 molecules into the two fragments, C3a and C3b. The larger, C3b, binds to the cell membrane and only those closest to the C3-convertase will be directly active in immune hemolysis. The other C3b molecules deposited on the cell membrane increase immune adherence and act as opsonizing factors, greatly increasing the cell's susceptibility to

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phagocytosis (Lepow et al. 1970). Opsonization is also thought due to the C4 of the C14 complex (Cooper. 1969).

<u>Anaphylatoxin activity</u>: Cleavage of components C3 and C5 yields two small molecular weight fragments, C3a and C5a respectively, which by means of immunofluorescence can be shown to bind to receptors on mast cell membranes. The ensuing degranulation of the mast cell releases histamine and other agents which increase vascular permeability and constriction of smooth muscle (Dias da Silva et al. 1967; Lepow et al. 1970). Human C3a and C5a are stronger anaphylatoxins than their guinea pig counterparts.

The anaphylatoxin activity of C5a and C3a is dependent upon an intact carboxy-terminal arginine. Cleavage of this residue by an enzyme having carboxypeptidase activity results in loss of the activity. There is a natural anaphylatoxin inactivator in human serum which inhibits <u>in vivo</u> generation of anaphylatoxic activity. The anaphylatoxins are thus only able to exert their effects at the site of activation; and the potentially immense amount of inflammation caused by the anaphylatoxic activity present in human serum is prevented (Bokisch and Müller-Eberhard, 1970).

Purified human C2 treated with the enzyme trypsin is cleaved into two peptides, one of which exhibits physicochemical and biological properties similar to a peptide generated by the interaction of \overline{Cls} , C4 and C2, which increases vascular permeability (Klemperer et al. 1969). Recently, C4a was identified as an anaphylatoxin of lesser activity than C5a or C3a and similarly is inactivated upon removal of its carboxy-terminal arginine (Gorski et al. 1979).

Chemotaxis: Initial studies on the chemotactic activities of se-

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rum indicated the role of complement components because heated serum or serum with the addition of EDTA were found to have no chemotactic activity. Both these serum states render the initial components inactive. Heating inactivates by disturbing the molecular configuration of C2, C4 and Factor B, and addition of EDTA chelates the divalent ions necessary in the initial stages of the two pathways; calcium for stabilization of the C1 complex and magnesium which allows binding of Factor B to C3h.

Chemotactic activity for neutrophil and cosinophil leukocytes is present in purified $\overline{C5b67}$ but not in $\overline{C5b67}$ suggesting C7 is an essential part of the complex. However, upon binding of $\overline{C5b67}$ to erythrocyte membranes or other hydrophilic surfaces, its chemotactic effect is lost. Therefore, it is not a primary factor in the chemotactic property of complement (Lachmann et al. 1970).

Further experimentation determined the majority of chemotactic activity in guinea pig serum was a product of C5 cleavage (Snyderman et al. 1969). Sucrose-density gradient centrifugation and Sephadex chromatography made possible isolation of two peaks having chemotactic activity for eosinophils and neutrophils (Kay, 1970). One peak was identified as C5a (Kay et al. 1971).

C5a is also a chemotactin for mononuclear leukocytes, important in wound healing in their function of phagocytosing degenerating polymorphonuclear leukocytes and tissue debris (Snyderman et al. 1971). Use of anti-C5 selectively inhibits chemotactic activity, while cleavage of C5 by trypsin artificially generates this activity (Snyderman et al. 1972).

Although cleavage of C3 by trypsin does not result in chemotactic

activity (Snyderman et al. 1971), use of the enzyme plasmin generates a peptide thought to be C3a having the activity (Ward, 1967).

<u>Promotion of blood coagulation</u>: Rabbits, identified as being deficient in component C6 (Rother et al. 1969), are noted as having prolonged clotting time and abnormal clot retraction. Both condition are corrected by the addition of purified C6 (Zimmerman et al. 1971). Although similar studies in humans deficient in C6 reveal no such abnormalities (Lim et al. 1976; Heusinkveld et al. 1974), it has been suggested by Zimmerman et al. (1971) that C6 and therefore complement acts in some unknown manner in normal blood coagulation.

COMPLEMENT GENETICS

Similarities Between Complement Components

A number of the complement components exhibit similarities both physicochemically and biologically and it is thought that the common proteins may have arisen from successive gene duplication. These similarities are shown in Table I, where the number of peptide chains and molecular weight for each component is listed.

<u>Subcomponents Clr and Cls</u>: Both subcomponents are single polypeptide chains and having similar amino acid composition, share similar molecular weights (Sim and Porter, 1976).

<u>Components C2 and Factor</u>.B: Similar in molecular weight; C2, 102,000 and Factor B, 100,000, share an analogous function in that each forms C3-convertase and possess the enzymatic site for C3 conversion. Single, heat-labile polypeptide chains with similar amino acid composition (Kerr and Porter, 1978), they also show similarities in their susceptibility to proteolysis and there is a limited degree of sequence homology at the sites of cleavage (Kerr, 1979). Also, being oded by genes within the HLA region suggests that they may have e-

lved from a common ancestral gene.

Components C3 and C5: Both C3 and C5 consist of two polypeptide

| leav | Classical | umber of Peptide Chains | Molecular Weight | Approximate Serum Concentra- tion (µg/ml) |
|------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|---|
| eigh | C3b, and C5b pli | ying acti | vely in comme | cytolysis. |
| | Clq | 18 | 410,000 | 180 |
| | Clr | Id adquenc. | 83,000 | 50 |
| | Cls | 1 | 83,000 | 50 |
| | C4 | a mail and a | 206,000 | 400 |
| | C2 | 1 | 102,000 | 15 |
| | C3 | 2 des 2 | 180,000 | 1200 |
| | C5 | 2 | 180,000 | 80 |
| | C6 | pertides | 124,801 | 1. 1977). A.75 vlatoxic |
| | C7 | 1 | 120,806 | 55 |
| | C8 | 3 | 163,000 | 80 |
| | C9 | 1 | 79,000 | 230 |
| | Alternative Pathway Components | | | |
| | Properdin | 4 | 223,000 | agnitude than 25 or CSa. |
| | Factor B | 1 | 100,000 | 250 |
| | Factor D | 1 | 25,000 | Trace |
| | Control Proteins | | | |
| | Cl-inhibitor | 1 | 90,000 | 18 |
| | C3b-inactivator | berraruru | 100,000 | 40 |
| | C6-inactivator | - | | |
| | βlH globulin | 1 1 | 150,000 | 600 |
| | C4-binding | | | |
| | protein | Several | 540-590, | |
| | | | 000 | |
| | Anaphylatoxin | | udy of compleme | |
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Table I. Proteins of the complement system.

(Hauptmann, 1979)

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lymorphism was the slow B protein (Waime, 1965), later identified as C3 (Alper and Frapp, 1968). Being a major sarum protein, it is the coded by genes within the HLA region suggests that they may have evolved from a common ancestral gene.

<u>Components C3 and C5</u>: Both C3 and C5 consist of two polypeptide chains with the sum molecular weight of 180,000. Both components are cleaved into two fragments, the small molecular weight C3a and C5a responsible for anaphylatoxic and chemotactic activities and the larger weight C3b and C5b plaving actively in immune cytolysis.

Parital amino acid sequencing of the small molecular weight fragments C3a and C5a show marked similarities, eight of the first twentyfive amino acid residues are identical with only minor manipulation in positioning of the two peptides (Fernandez et al. 1977). Anaphylatoxic activity of both lies in an intact arginine at the C-terminus of the peptide chain. The amino acid sequence similarities and the intact arginine dependent anaphylatoxic activity are also evident in C4a. The anaphylatoxic activity of C4a is of a lesser magnitude than C3a or C5a.

<u>Components C6 and C7</u>: Please see detailed section, page 23. <u>Deficiencies of Complement Components, Disease Association and</u> Linkage

More information pertaining to complement genetics is gained from three sources: (i) from the study of polymorphism of the individual components,

(ii) from the study of complement deficiencies,

(iii) and from the study of linkage of the components to other known genetic loci.

The first complement component to demonstrate electrophoretic polymorphism was the slow β protein (Weime, 1965), later identified as C3 (Alper and Propp, 1968). Being a major serum protein, it is the

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only complement protein which can be analyzed by electrophoresis in acarose gel followed by direct protein staining.

In 1972, polymorphism of Factor B was detected by electrophoresis in agarose gel and immunofixation with anti-Factor B (Alper et al. 19-72a). This method is applicable to other complement components wherever there is sufficient specific antibody available and the concentration of the component is high enough.

A means of detecting both polymorphism and functional activity was pioneered by Hobart et al. (1975), in which isoelectric focusing in polyacrylamide gel is followed by a hemolytic overlay of erythrocytes and hemolytic reagents necessary for detecting the particular component in question. First used for C6 allotyping, this method is extremely adaptable for the detection of other lytic proteins, as well as the other complement proteins.

Since the discovery of C3 polymorphism, deficiency or polymorphism has been detected in all classical components and in Factors B and D, and both states have been used to study the possibility of linkage to known genetic markers.

With the advance of diagnostic techniques, deficiencies of isolated complement components have been detected and these deficiencies show association with specific disease states (see Table II).

<u>Cl-inhibitor</u>: The first disease shown to be associated with a genetic abnormality (specifically a deficiency) of a protein in the complement system was hereditary angioedema. This disease is due' to the deficiency of the Cl inhibitor and therefore, complement activity is unrestrained. The defect is transmitted genetically as an autosomal dominant (Donaldson et al. 1963; Donaldson et al. 1977). Defective

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shown by the de-repressive effe

| Component | Number of cases (pedigrees) | Clinical manifestations |
|---|-----------------------------------|---|
| Clq | 3(2) | SLE-like syndrome, renal disease, healthy |
| Clr | 2(2) | Infection, SLE-like syndrome |
| Cls | 1(1) | SLE inerts (Cig is decreased due to an all |
| C4 | 4(4) | SLE-like, glomerulonephritis (abortions) |
| C2 | | About 50% healthy, SLE, immune complex disease including Schönlein-Heaoch pur- pura, glomerulonephritis |
| C3 | | Severe immune deficiencies, fever, arth- ralgia |
| C5 | 2(2) | SLE, gonococcal sepsis, healthy |
| C6 | 4(4) | Gonococcal sepsis, recurrent meningococ- cal meningitis, healthy |
| C6 + C7 | 1(1) | Healthy |
| C7 _{FOUR} | | Glomerulonephritis, gonococcal sepsis, meningococcal infection, Raynaud's di- sease, rheumatoid arthrits, SLE, heal- thy |
| C8 | 5(2) | Gonococcal sepsis, healthy, SLE-like |
| C9 | 2(2) | Healthy |
| Factor B (heterozygo and/or func ally defici | tion- | In association with C2 deficiency, recur- rent bacterial infections, healthy |
| Cl inhibi | | HAE with immune complex disease, nephriti: |
| C3b inact tor | iva- 2(2) | Severe immune deficiency, recurrent men- ingitis |

Table II. Complement deficiencies in man.

SLE = systemic lupus erythematosus; HAE = hereditary angioedema (Rittner and Bertrams, 1981) suppression of the normal gene was shown by the de-repressive effects apparent with the use of androgen therapy. With this treatment, Cl protein levels rose toward normal in those individuals exhibiting either markedly reduced levels of Cl-INH or high to normal levels of desfunctional Cl-INH protein (Colten et al. 1981; Gelfand et al. 1976).

<u>Component Cl - subunit Clq</u>: Deficiencies of subcomponent Clq have for the most part been the product of hypercatabolism of Clq in patients exhibiting hypogammaglobulinemia (Clq is decreased due to an increased catabolism and higher extravascular distribution), with multiple myeloma and common variable immunodeficiency (Kohler and Müller-Eberhard, 1972). However, recently two families have been identified as antigenically deficient due to a familial defect which results in a nonfunctional molecule (Thompson et al. 1980; Leyva-Cobián et al. 1981). Homozygosity of the defective gene has been associated with systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE)-like disease and subsequent renal disease but may also be associated with health. Detection of the heterozygous state by quantitation was difficult, presumably because the normal gene contributes more to the serum level of Clq than the abnormal gene. There has been no indication of linkage of the Clq deficiency gene and HLA (Arnáiz-Villena et al. in press).

<u>Component Cl - subunit Cl</u>r: Complement studies revealing no Clr, decreased Cls and elevated C4 levels were first described by Pickering et al. (1970). If the Clr molecule is depleted due to activation, C4 levels are expected to be low and therefore, the defect described was an inability to synthesis Clr.

Deficiency of the Clr molecule has been associated with multiple infections, SLE-like symptoms, renal disease and arthritis (Pickering

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et al. 1970; Day et al. 1975; Mittal et al. 1976). An inherited defect, the autosomal gene controlling CIr deficiency segregated independently of the genes of the HLA and ABO systems (Mittal et al. 1976).

<u>Component Cl - subunit Cls</u>: Cls deficiency was first described by Pondman and associates (1968) showing an association with SLE. SLElike disease was also evident in the individual described by Blum et al. (1976). Cls deficiency was due to a null gene at the site that codes for the synthesis of Cls. No linkage to HLA has been demonstrated.

<u>Component</u> C4: Complete C4 deficiency, described in only four individuals (Hauptmann et al. 1974; Ochs et al. 1977; Ballow et al. 1979; Hauptmann, 1979), was associated with clinical symptoms of SLE and glomerulonephritis. The deficiency was inherited as an autosomal co-dominant trait (Hauptmann et al. 1974) and family studies revealed its linkage to the major histocompatibility complex (Rittner et al. 1975; Ochs et al. 1977).

<u>Component C2</u>: The most common deficiency within the complement system is that of the second component. Although about half of the deficient individuals were healthy, the deficiency state has been associated with Hodgkin's disease, chronic lymphocytic leukemia, infectious fatal dermatomyositis, membranoproliferative glomerulonephritis and anaphylactoid purpura (Day et al. 1978; Gewurz et al. 1978).

The C2 deficiency gene was closely linked to HLA (Fu et al. 1975; Fu et al. 1977) and allelic association was apparent between Aw25, B18, Dw2 and the deficiency gene (Day et al. 1975; Gibson et al. $19^{7}6$; Hauptmann et al. 1977a). Within the human population, the Aw25, B18, Dw2 haplotype occurs rarely and approximately 50% exhibit the C2 deficiency gene (Mortensen et al. 1980).

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<u>Component C3</u>: Deficiency of the third component, complete (Alper et al. 1969) or partial (Hoppe et al. 1978), is associated with recurrent infections since the individual lacks the biological activities mediated by this component and those following in the cascade (Alper et al. 1972b; Alper et al. 1976). Only four cases of homozygous C3 deficiency have been described (Alper et al. 1972b; Davis et al. 1977; Ballow et al. 1975).

C3 was also found deficient when the C3 inactivator protein was absent. In an inherited deficiency of C3-INA, the C3 molecules are overconsumed during pathway activation. Clinical maifestations were identical to C3 deficiency in that there was increased susceptibility to infection. Two such cases have been described (Alper et al. 1970; Thompson and Lachmann, 1977).

<u>Component C5</u>: First identified immunochemically (Rosenfeld et al. 1976), hereditary C5 deficiency was not linked to HLA (Rosenfeld et al. 1977; Snyderman et al. 1978; Snyderman et al. 1979), nor was it linked to complement component C6 (Rosenfeld et al. 1978). The deficiency state was compatible with good health but has been associated with SLE (Rosenfeld et al. 1976) and predisposition to disseminated gonococcal infections (Snyderman et al. 1978; Snyderman et al. 1979).

<u>Component C6</u>: Please see detailed section, page 25. Component C7: Please see detailed section, page 26.

<u>Component C8</u>: Deficiency of C8 seemingly predisposed to gonococcal infection (Merritt et al. 1976; Petersen et al. 1976; Snyderman et al. 1978; Petersen et al. 1979) and the immune-complex disease, SLE (Jasin, 1977).

HLA linkage was first suggested for C8 (Merritt et al. 1976; Peter-

sen et al. 1976) but was disputed with later family studies (Jasin, 1977; Giraldo et al. 1977; Tedesco et al. 1980). The deficiency gene was not found to be linked to the C6 locus (Tedesco et al. 1980).

<u>component C9</u>: To date, only three individuals have been described as having C9 deficiency (Lint et al. 1980; Inai et al. 1979). The small number was thought due to the fact that lysis will proceed, though slowly, without addition of C9 (Stolfi, 1968). Though bacterial killing was 35 times slower than the normal killing time of 3 minutes, C9 deficient serum was still capable of killing bacteria (Lint et al. 1980). Individuals deficient in the ninth complement component would therefore be easily hidden. Linkage studies have not yet been described.

Polymorphism of Components and Linkage

<u>C4 polymophism</u>: Population heterogeneity of the fourth complement component was first suggested by two-dimensional immunoelectrophoresis of EDTA-plasma against anti-C4 serum (Rosenfeld et al. 1969; Bach et al. 1971). Subsequent work using the technique of high voltage electrophoresis in agarose gel followed by immunofixation was used to reveal a true C4 polymorphism (Teisberg et al. 1976; Mauff et al. 1978). The current method in which better separation of the C4 protein bands was found, entails pre-treatment of serum samples with neuraminadase before high voltage electrophoresis and immunofixation (Awdeh and Alper, 1980).

C4 allotyping of family groups has since the beginning given data which are not wholly compatible with the concept of a single co-dominant autosomal locus. Immunochemical and genetic data led O'Neill et al. (1978a; 1978b) to suggest that two loci may code for the C4 protein on each HLA haplotype and that the antigens of the Chido and Rodgers blood groups are components of C4. One locus, A, having 7 alleles which

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have faster electrophoretic mobility than the 3 at the B locus, appears to code for molecules that are Rodgers positive and Chido negative. The B locus alleles are Rodgers negative and Chido positive. One allele at the A locus may be hemolytically inactive and shows allelic association with HLA-B17 (0'Neill et al. 1980). Null alleles presumably exist for both loci as evidenced by complete C4 deficiency and are postulated by 0'Neill to occur frequently. Other workers are more conservative and simply conclude that duplicated loci exist on some haplotypes but cannot be demonstrated yet on others. Homozygosity for null genes at both loci may perhaps be selected against since there have been so few complete C4 deficiencies observed (see C4 deficiency, page 17). The most common haplotype is A3B1 and accounts for approximately 80% of the population (5kanes, personal communication).

Strong alleleic association has been shown between HLA-B types and C4 (Teisberg et al. 1977) and between C4 and Bf but not between C4 and GLO-I (Mauff et al. 1978). Therefore, the two loci for C4 are considered to be within the HLA complex and close to Bf and HLA-B, a conclusion which is supported by limited data on recombinants.

<u>C2 polymorphism</u>: First described by Hobart and Lachmann (1976a), the C2 polymorphism revealed close linkage between the C2 locus and HLA. Isoelectric focusing in thin-layer polyacrylamide gel, followed by a hemolytic overlay deficient in C2, revealed three alleles for the second component. C2⁴1, the most common, had a frequency of approximately 0.96 (Meo et al. 1976; Meo et al. 1977; Alper, 1976; Olmisen et al. 1978a; Marshall et al. 1980a). Family studies suggested close linkage between C2 and HLA/Bf (Allen, 1974; Alper, 1976).

C3 polymorphism: The high concentration of C3 in serum aids in

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its ease of allotyping. The protein can be visualized after high vol-

C3 polymorphism is controlled by a single autosomal locus and there are two common co-dominant alleles and at least 22 rare ones. The more common allele, C3S, has a frequency of 0.77 to 0.81 in Caucasians. The faster migrating common allele, C3F, occurs at a frequency of 0.18 to 0.21 in Caucasian populations (Hauptmann, 1979). Population studies have shown a higher frequency of C3S in Negroid and Mongoloid populations as compared to Europeans (Seth et al. 1976) and a very high frequency of C3S in Lapps (Teisberg, 1971). The total frequency of rare variants varies between 0.004 and 0.1, except in the Lapps and Finns where no rare variants have been identified (Seth et al. 1976).

Although the C3 structural locus was found close to the histocompatibility complex H-2 in the mouse (Natsuume-Sakai et al. 1978; Penalva da Silva et al. 1978), extensive studies had not linked human C3 to any firmly established linkage group (Gedde-Dahl et al. 1974; Lamm et al. 1975; Weitkamp et al. 1975), other than a suggestion of loose linkage between the C3 locus and those of the Lewis blood group (Weitkamp et al. 1974) and familial hypercholesterolemia (Ott et al. 1974).

<u>C5 polymorphism</u>: Isoelectric focusing followed by hemolytic overlay revealed no polymorphism in any population studied (Rosenfeld et al. 1977; Vas-Guedez et al. 1978), except that of the Melanesians (Hobart et al. 1981). Two co-dominant alleles exist; C541, the most common with a frequency of 0.93 and C542, with a frequency of 0.07. Linkage data had not linked the C5 locus to HLA or C6/C7.

<u>C6_polymorphism</u>: Please see detailed section, page 28. <u>C7_polymorphism</u>: Please see detailed section, page 35.

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<u>C8_polymorphism</u>: Genetic polymorphism of C8 had only recently been reported by Alper et al. (1979). Isoelectric focusing and hemolytic overlay revealed two alleles, A and B, and a third allele, Al, detected only in Blacks.

Factor B polymorphism: A functionally deficient variant was found of Factor B (Mauff et al. 1980) and polymorphism of Factor B has been studied since 1972 (Alper et al. 1972a), showing the locus to be closely linked to HLA (Allen, 1974; Olaisen et al. 1975; Rittner et al. 1975; Rittner et al. 1976a; Albert et al. 1977; Larsen et al. 1977; Bender et al. 1977; Arnason et al. 1977). Polymorphism was detected by agarose gel electrophoresis and immunofixation. Functional activity of the variants was realized by employing hemolytic overlay. There are two common alleles, F and S, and two less common, Fl and S0.7 described (Alper et al. 1972a) and there are at least seven very rare alleles (Hauptmann et al. 1976; Naff et al. 1976; Hauptmann et al. 1977b; Larsen et al. 1981).

The Bf locus was thought to be close to that of HLA-B since significant associations had been found between BfS and alleles B7 and B8; between BfF and B12 and Bw35; between BfS0.7 and Bw50 and between BfF1 and B18 (Olaisen et al. 1975; Rittner et al. 1975; Bender et al. 1977; Larsen et al. 1977; Arnason et al. 1977).

Factor D polymorphism: Isoelectric focusing and functional overlay deficient in Factor D revealed a single banded pattern. Variants have been observed only in African samples (Hobart and Lachamnn, 1976a; Marshall, personal communication).

<u>Summary</u>: Information on the genetics of complement, obtained from studies of deficiency and polymorphism of the individual components,

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suggests that the components actively forming the C3-convertases (C4, C2 and Factor B) are linked to the major histocompatibility complex. and deficiencies of these components predispose particularly to SLElike syndromes. The exact position of the loci for C4, C2 and Factor B is still unknown. Most evidence suggests a tentative map with the loci between HLA-B and HLA-D/DR, closer to B, as shown in Figure II. Studies of the late acting components do not suggest linkage to HLA or to any other known marker and are thus far not assigned to any chromosome.

THE GENETICS OF COMPLEMENT COMPONENTS C6 AND C7

A genetic relationship has been proposed on the basis of similarities in physical and chemical properties and functional activities for Clr and Cls; C3, C4 and C5; and C2 and Factor B. C2 and Factor B have been found to be linked with each other and with HLA (Fu et al. 1977; Allen, 1974). Genetic linkage has also been proposed between C6 and C7, the suggestion substantiated by physicochemical similarities (Podack et al. 1976; Podack et al. 1979), combined deficiency (Hobart and Lachmann, 1978; Glass et al. 1978) and polymorphism studies of the two proteins (Hobart et al. 1978).

Similarities Between C6 and C7

C6 and C7, isolated and purified from human serum with immunoabsorbent columns of Sepharose coupled with anti-C6 IgG and anti-C7 IgG, are almost indistinguishable by amino acid composition. Only four amino acids; aspartic acid, isoleusine, lysine and proline, differ by more than 1 mole percent. Although no sequence data are available, a degree of homology is expected (Podack et al. 1979). Determined to be single polypeptide chians (Podack et al. 1976), both are glycoproteins (Podack

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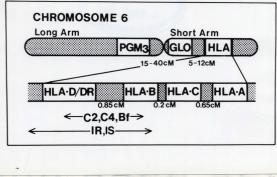


Figure II. A tentative map of Chromosome 6. IR = immune response genes. IS = immune suppressor genes. GLO = glyoxylase 1. PGM3 = phosphoglucomutase 3. (Rittner and Bertrams, 1981)

et al. 1979). The molecular weights are calculated from amino acid composition; 124,801 for C6 and 120,806 for C7, and are similar to those found earlier (Arroyave and Muller-Eberhard, 1971; Podack et al. 1976). Upon isoelectric focusing, the major bands of C6 focus at pH 6.4; those of C7 at pH 6.25. Circular dichroism spectra show similar secondary structure in that both molecules contain 20 to 30% α-helical and 8-structure (Podack et al. 1979).

These similarities in the physicochemical properties of C6 and C7 support the theory that the two proteins are the product of gene duplication (Hobart and Lachmann, 1976a; Lachmann and Hobart, 1978a).

Deficiency of C6 and C7, Disease Association and Linkage

<u>Component C6</u>: First described by Leddy et al. (1974), C6 deficiency was repeatedly shown to increase susceptibility to recurrent infections due to a lack of bacteriolytic activity against organisms such as Neisseria gonococcus and Neisseria meningitidis (Lim et al. 1976; Vogler et al. 1977; Class et al. 1978; Lee et al. 1979; Petersen et al. 1979; Vogler et al. 1979; Clough et al. 1980; Haeney et al. 1980). To date, only one study had implied that C6 deficiency predisposed to connective tissue disease such as discoid lupus and Sjögren's syndrome (Trapp et al. 1980).

Chemotactic and opsonic activities were normal in these individuals and unlike C6 deficient rabbits, there was no visible clotting abnormality, the thrombin consumption time lying in the upper range of normal (Heusinkveld et al. 1974; Delâge et al. 1977). The hemolytic activity of C6 deficient serum was restored by addition of purified C6.

Genetic analyses suggested a co-dominant Mendelian inheritance of the trait. Originally thought to be HLA linked with a strong association with HLA-Aw24 (Raum et al. 1976), more recent studies have repeatedly shown no segregation of the HLA complex genes with that of C6 deficiency (Mittal et al. 1976; Clough et al. 1978; Vogler et al. 1979; Delâge et al. 1979; Haeney et al. 1980; Trapp et al. 1980). Also, with the identification of a family having a combined deficiency of C6 and C2, it was determined that the deficiencies were two distinct hereditary defects, independent of one another (Delâge et al. 1979).

<u>Component C</u>7: As with C6 deficiency, the absence of the seventh component of complement was generally associated with recurrent infections caused by N. gonococcus and N. meningitidis (Lint et al. 1976; Lee et al. 1977; Lee et al. 1978; Lambert et al. 1979; Loirat et al. 1980) but was also associated with SLE (Zeitz et al. 1978), nephritis (Nemerow et al. 1978) and arthritis (Alcalay et al. 1980). C7 deficient sera showed no lack of opsonic or chemotactic activity nor of immune adherence, but bacteriolytic activity was absent. Early basic blood coagulation studies reported no abnormality (Boyer et al. 1975; Delãge et al. 1977) but recently C7 deficient serum was shown to determine a disorder in platelet aggregation in the presence of thrombin. The abnormality was correctable by the addition of purified C7 (Alcalay et al. 1980).

Wellek and Opferkuch (1975) reported a C7-inactivating principle in the serum of a healthy patient functionally and antigenically deficient in C7.

A single individual has been identified as deficient for both C2 and C7. Family studies revealed that both parents had transmitted their own singular deficiency and therefore the deficiencies are independent of one another.

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<u>Combined deficiency of C6 and C7</u>: Two families have been shown to be simultaneously deficient in both C6 and C7 (see below), giving support to the theory that the genetic loci of these structurally similar proteins are closely linked.

There are a number of possible mechanisms by which a genetic defect could result in a combined deficiency. A large deletion within the region of the two structural genes could result in transcription of neither protein. Conversely, a smaller deletion could overlap the two genes such that various outcomes could reasonably occur. Conceivably, both proteins could be abnormal, either or both showing some function: or one protein could be abnormal while the other not made: or a protein comprising the N-terminal end of one protein and the Cterminal end of the other protein could be made. This "Lepore" molecule might show some function of either or both parent proteins. Alternatively, a defect in the structural gene of one protein could have a secondary effect on the structurally normal second protein, in that its synthesis could be affected or it could be hypercatabolized by a reaction with the abnormal protein. Deficiency could also be due to an effect of a control gene such that the synthesis of structurally normal proteins is affected, or due to the presence of an inactivating protein.

A family examined by Lachmann and co-workers (1978b) centers upon one gentleman who was in general good health but had low but detectable amounts of C6 and C7. The C6 molecule was antigenically deficient and was smaller than normal C6. The C7 molecule was normal both antigenically and structurally. Thus, the combined deficiency being due to a mutation at the level of a control gene is unlikely. A three generation study of the gentleman's family showed the deficiency to be inherited together as a single Mendelian trait, as is seen in Figure III. Heterozygotes had half levels for both the C6 and C7 proteins. Hemizygosity at the C6 locus was confirmed in the grandchildren in that those children who carried only the paternal C68 allele had half levels of both C6 and C7 while those who were phenotypically C6AB had normal levels.

Rapid <u>in vivo</u> catabolism of the normal C7 by the abnormal C6 cannot be excluded as a possible explanation for the combined deficiency but the more probable mechanism by which such a combined deficiency would occur is that a structural mutation at the C6 locus affects the rate of synthesis at the closely linked C7 locus. If the C6-C7 region is transcribed as a single message, a mutational event at one locus could conceivably interfere with transcription or post-transcriptional events at one or both loci. This explanation is applicable to the coexistent partial deficiency of C6 and C7 evident in the family presented by Glass and co-workers (1978), Figure IV. Functional and immunochemical assays did not detect synthesis of a dysfunctional protein. All the family members with low levels of C6 also had low levels of C7. Conversely, all those with normal C6 had normal C7 levels.

C6 Polymorphism

Electrophoretic variation of C6 has been demonstrated in rabbits (Goldman et al. 1981), dogs (Hobart, personal communication)¹, and primates (rhesus monkey, Hall et al. 1977; chimpanzee, Raum et al. 1980), including man (Alper et al. 1975; Hobart et al. 1975; Hobart and Lachmann, 1976a; Olving et al. 1977; Rittner et al. 1979; Olving et al. 1979).

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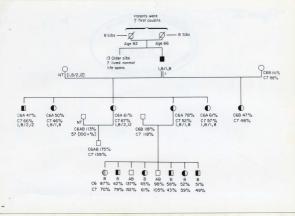
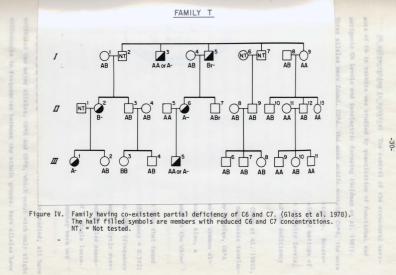


Figure III. Family having combined C6-C7 deficiency. Levels of allotypes of C6 are shown. Levels of C7 are shown. No allotype other than C7 1-1 was found. HLA types are shown where they were obtained. They are not informative for this family. (Lachmann et al. 1978)



<u>C6 polymorphism in rabbits</u>: The control of the structural variants of C6 in rabbits was studied by quantitation of functional and antigenic C6 levels and isoelectric focusing (Goldman et al. 1981). Three alleles were found, C6*A, the more acidic protein, C6*B, the more basic and C6*Q0, having no functional or antigenic activity. Heterozygotes of C6AQ0 or C6BQ0 had half levels of C6 protein and matings of heterozygotes produced the expected phenotypes and C6 activity levels, demonstrating that the two variants, C6*A and C6*B and the deficiency sens. C6*O0 are allelic at the same senetic locus.

<u>C6 polymorphism in primates</u>: In the chimpanzee (Raum et al. 1980), the most common allele, C6*C, migrates to a slightly more basic isoelectric point than that of a reference human C6*A. Other alleles, C6*A and C6*B, respectively more acidic and more basic than the common allele, and different basic alleles were also demonstrated. Also, a blank allele confirmed immunochemically was not uncommon in the chimpanzee.

Polymorphism of C6 in the rhesus monkey was much like that found in man (Hall et al. 1977). Two major alleles, C6*A (frequency = 0.592) and C6*B (frequency = 0.354) and a single rare variant, C6*R (frequency = 0.053), were demonstrated by isoelectric focusing and hemolytic overlay. Natural mating between monkeys having the various alleles demonstrated that the three alleles were co-dominant and of a single locus. Interestingly, the allelic frequencies of the rhesus monkey were not unlike those found in man.

<u>C6-polymorphism in man</u>: Of the human populations studied, all have exhibited two major alleles, C6*A and C6*B, which occur with only slight differences in frequencies between the ethnic groups. Rare alleles have

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been observed in all populations except those of India (Hobart and Lachmann, 1976a) and the Norwegian Lapps (Olving et al. 1979). The first study of Norwegians (non-Lapps) demonstrated no rare variants but further investigation yielded a combined frequency of 0.004 (Olving et al. 1979). Since only thirteen individuals were allotyped in the Indian population and because the frequency of rare alleles is small, the Indian study may not be indicative of the true frequency of rare variants within the population. Comparisons of C6 allele freouencies in various populations are given in Table III.

The common alleles code for proteins whose patterns differ by a single step in the banding pattern; C6*A being the more acidic pattern, C6*B, the basic. There have been 6 rare variants identified so far, coding for proteins which are not shifted a total pattern step. These patterns are shown schematically in Figure V.

The single step difference in the banding pattern of C6*A and C6*B can easily be produced by high voltage electrophoresis in agarose gel (Olving et al. 1977). Rare alleles are still more easily identified by using the principle method of isoelectric focusing in thin-layer polyacrylamide gel (Hobart et al. 1975). Regardless of the method of protein separation, visualization of the banding is usually through the use of a functional overlay of antibody sensitized sheep red blood cells and C6 deficient rabbit serum in agarose.

It is possible, through studying the inheritance of the C6 alleles within a family in which some members have low C6 serum levels, to determine the relationship between the structural genes and the deficiency. In four informative families (Glass et al. 1978), the genes determining electrophoretic variants and the low serum levels of C6

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| Populati | on | n | Allele | frequen | cies | References | |
|------------|----------------------------|------|--------|---------|-------|----------------------|-------|
| | | | C6*A | C6*B | C6*R | | |
| Caucasians | British and N. American | 189 | 0.621 | 0.360 | 0.018 | Hobart and Lachmann, | 1976a |
| | British | 99 | 0.61 | 0.37 | 0.015 | Hobart et al. 1975 | |
| | British | 264 | 0.646 | 0.333 | 0.021 | Alper et al. 1975 | |
| | Norway | 81 | 0.61 | 0.39 | 0.0 | Olving et al. 1977 | |
| | Norway | 1623 | 0.59 | 0.379 | 0.004 | Olving et al. 1979 | |
| | Germany | 194 | 0.613 | 0.379 | 0.008 | Rittner et al. 1979 | |
| | India | 13 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.0 | Hobart and Lachmann, | 1976a |
| Lapps | Norway | 167 | 0.53 | 0.47 | 0.0 | Olving et al. 1979 | |
| Mongoloid | N. America | 51 | 0.59 | 0.35 | 0.05 | Hobart and Lachmann, | 1976 |
| Negro | N. America, | | | | | | |
| | W. Indies, | | | | | | |
| | and Nigeria | 165 | 0.551 | 0.403 | 0.045 | Hobart and Lachmann, | 1976 |

Table III. C6 allele frequencies in various populations

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were considered to be heterozygous for a normal gene and a silent or "null" gene which was the result of a mutation at the structural locus. These findings echoed similar suggestions made by Hobart and Lachmann (1976b).

The high gene frequencies of the major alleles of C6 make it a useful marker and in Germany, C6 polymorphism has been applied to paternity cases (Rittner et al. 1979).

There is no significant evidence for linkage betwen the C6 structural locus and any marker tested (Hobart et al. 1977: Olving et al. 1977: Olving et al. 1978: Olaisen et al. 1978b: Kagan et al. 1979: 01ving et al. 1979), including HLA, Gm, C3 and many red cell antigens and enzyme markers (see Figure VI), nor is C6 linked to C5 deficiency (Rosenfeld et al. 1978). Small positive lod scores for Gm (0.23 at θ = 0.20), Gc (0.24 at θ = 0.10) and AK, (0.26 at θ = 0.20) (Hobart et al. 1977), were convincingly demonstrated as insignificant when taken in conjunction with the extensive study by Olving et al. (1979), as is illustrated in Table IV. Table V condenses results from the two studies (Hobart et al. 1977; Olving et al. 1979) wherever positive lod scores were obtained in males. The positive lod score at θ = 0.20 for P-C6 linkage (Olving et al. 1979) was obtained from two generation families only. Three generation families would be necessary to verify linkage at such a distance. The only locus for which there is good evidence of linkage to C6 is the structural locus of C7 (Lachamnn and Hobart, 1978a; Lachmann et al. 1978b; Hobart et al. 1978; Glass et al. 1978).

C7 Polymorphism

Screening of random samples by isoelectric focusing in thin-layer polyacrylamide gel enabled the identification of three structural forms

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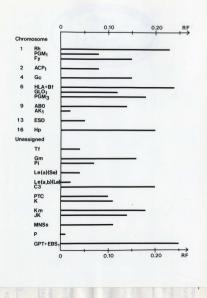


Figure VI. Diagram showing the parts of the male genome from which C6 has been excluded (lod score <-2,00). (Olving et al. 1979)

| Locus | Reference | Sex.of Hetero- | | d three gen ecombination | | | cores for |
|-------|--------------------|-------------------|--------|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-----------|
| | | zygote | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.20 | 0.30 | .0.40 |
| Gm | Olving et al. 1979 | M | -6.20 | -3.62 | -1.47 | -0.58 | -0.17 |
| om | Hobart et al. 1977 | M | -6.29 | -3.32 | -1.00 | -0.21 | -0.01 |
| | Combined | M | -12.49 | -6.94 | -2.47 | -0.79 | -0.18 |
| | Olving et al. 1979 | F | -10.86 | -6.15 | -2.34 | -0.67 | -0.12 |
| | Hobart et al. 1977 | F | -5.27 | -2.00 | +0.23 | +0.16 | +0.12 |
| | Combined | F | -16.13 | -8.15 | -2.11 | -0.51 | 0.00 |
| | Combined M + F | males only | -28.62 | -15.09 | -4.58 | -1.30 | -0.18 |
| Gc | Olving et al. 1979 | м | -5.70 | -3.31 | -1.30 | -0.47 | -0.15 |
| | Hobart et al. 1977 | М | -6.55 | -3.54 | -1.15 | -0.31 | -0.05 |
| | Combined | М | -12.25 | -6.85 | -2.45 | -0.78 | -0.20 |
| | Olving et al. 1979 | F | -8.07 | -4.66 | -1.80 | -0.62 | -0.13 |
| | Hobart et al. 1977 | F | -0.31 | +0.25 | +0.50 | +0.38 | +0.19 |
| | Combined | F | -8.38 | -4.41 | -1.30 | -0.24 | +0.06 |
| | Combined M + F | | -20.63 | -11.26 | -3.75 | -1.02 | -0.14 |
| AK, | Olving et al. 1979 | м | -1.44 | -0.89 | -0.38 | -0.15 | -0.04 |
| 1 | Hobart et al. 1977 | М | -3.26 | -1.15 | +0.26 | +0.46 | +0.22 |
| | Combined | М | -4.70 | -2.04 | -0.12 | +0.31 | +0.18 |
| | Olving et al. 1979 | F | -4.53 | -2.68 | -1.09 | -0.40 | -0.09 |
| | Hobart et al. 1977 | F | -3.72 | -1.96 | -0.57 | -0.11 | -0.02 |
| | - Combined | F | -8.25 | -4.64 | -1.66 | -0.51 | -0.11 |
| | Combined M + F | | -12.95 | -6.68 | -1.78 | -0.20 | +0.07 |

| Table IV. | Combined | lod | scores | for | Gm, | Gc | and | AK, | • |
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| 3 | 3 | 5 | E | AK ₁ (θ=0.3) | ABO (θ=0.3) | HP (θ=0.4) | K (θ=0.3) | Km (θ=0.3) | ACP ₁ (θ=0.3) | ESD (θ=0.4) | ADA (θ=0.05) | MNSs (θ=0.3) | P (θ=0.2) | | | | | | |
| Hobart | et | al. | 1977 | +0.46 | +0.14 | +0.21 | +0.26 | +0.16 | -0.53 | -0.21 | -8.02 | -0.18 | -0.18 | | | | | | |
| 01ving | et | a1. | 1979 | -0.15 | -0.40 | -0.18 | -0.24 | -0.90 | +0.67 | +0.10 | +0.84 | +0.47 | +0.19 | | | | | | |
| Both | - | Ty . | | +0.31 | -0.26 | -0.03 | +0.02 | -0.74 | +0.14 | -0.11 | -7.18 | +0.29 | +0.01 | | | | | | |

are given in brackets.

(Olving et al. 1979)

of C7 proteins (Hobart et al. 1978). C7*1, C7*2 and C7*3 are products of three codominantly expressed alleles at a single autosomal locus. The banding patterns of the homozygote and heterozygote states are shown schematically in Figure VII.

The komozygote pattern C7 1-1 is by far the most common pattern. The less common alleles of C7*2 and C7*3 have only nominal charge differences compared to the common allele, resulting in very small changes in the pI of the proteins. The structural changes may be a substitution of one neutral amino acid with another having a different side chain which slightly changes the charge on a neighbouring residue.

The bands of C7*1 and C7*2 were of equal intensity but interestingly, those of C7*3 were found to be relatively weak and therefore posed a problem in that they may have been missed on a cursory inspection of the gel. Because of this difficulty in detection of the third allele, the gene frequencies were not calculated but it was believed that the frequency for both C7*2 and C7*3 was less than 0.01 (Hobart et al. 1978).

The largest contribution of evidence linking the loci of C6 and C7 was a single study of the polymorphic proteins of C7 and their mode of inheritance in reference to that of the C6 alleles (Hobart et al. 1978). The family tree as given, is shown in Figure VIII. The C6 and C7 genotypes for the first generation were reconstructed from their offspring. It is highly improbable that both were heterozygous for C7. Assuming the first generation has been correctly genotyped, there are ten informative children: II-1, 3, 7, 9; III-4, 12, 13, 14; 'and individuals II-5, 10 (who are inferred informative through their offspring), and there are no recombinations. The C6*A/C7*2 genotype has been inherited as a single unit. The odds in favour of linkage between C6 and C7 are

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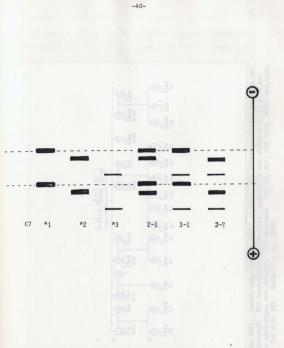


Figure VII. Schematic representation of homozygous and heterozygous patterns of the major bands of C7.

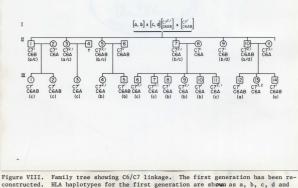


Figure VIII. Family tree showing Cb/C7 linkage. The first generation has been reconstructed. HLA haplotypes for the first generation are shown as a, b, c, d and other haplotypes are omitted. (†) deceased. (a) A2, B17; (b) Aw32, Bw22; (c) Aw24, BA0; (d) A10, B27. (Hobart et al. 1978)

suggested by the authors as greater than 1000:1.

The phase of the first generation is unknown but assuming linkage of HLA and C7, there are five recombinants and nine non-recombinants. Therefore, the C7 locus cannot be situated close to the HLA region. This is certainly expected since C6 has been shown to be not linked to HLA (Hobart et al. 1977; Olving et al. 1977; Olving et al. 1978; Olaisen et al. 1978b; Olving et al. 1979).

C6/C7 Linkage Summary

C6 and C7, as precusors of the membrane attack unit, act sequentially in the complement cascade. They share close physicochemical properties. Polymorphism has been demonstrated for both proteins and it has been further shown that the loci of the two components are closely linked. Two families exhibiting combined deficiency of C6 and C7 suggest that a single primary transcript is made for both loci. Post-transcriptional modification results in translation of two separate molecules. Based on all these findings, it is plausible to regard C6 and C7 as products of tandem gene duplication.

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CHAPTER II OBJECTIVES

The general objective of this thesis is to contribute to the presently limited pool of information pertaining to the genetics of human C6 and C7. This is accomplished through typing various collections of sera available in this laboratory for C6 and C7 in order to:

(1) see which alleles are to be found in the sera.

establish allele frequencies for Newfoundland.

(3) examine Mendelian ratios, looking particularly for irregularities which might suggest a more complicated genetics than one locus.

(4) check that rare alleles are inherited and not acquired.

(5) examine the data for its possible use in genetic linkage studies, with particular reference to families informative for both C6 and C7 so that the link between these loci can be examined further and to families in which a new marker exists which has not yet been examined for linkage to C6 or C7. As an example of a linkage investigation, the linkage of C6 with HLA will be re-examined.

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A small number of other samples were available from Wouth Africa (through the kindness of Dr. H. Hammond) and from mainland China (through the kindness of Dr. S.H. Humme).

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CHAPTER III MATERIALS AND METHODS

Samples

The samples for this study were derived from three sources. The first, the West Coast community, was under study due to an increased frequency of common variable immunodeficiencies. Hodgkin's disease and other malignancies, in hopes to define a genetic basis for the development of such disorders (Buehler et al. 1975: Marshall et al. 1980b: Salmon et al. 1980). This community was visited for blood collection on four separate occasions. The sera collected in 1974 and 1975 were separated from the clot within 24 hours and have been kept at -20°C since then. The sera collected during the visits of 1976 and 1979 were separated within 4 hours, frozen in liquid nitrogen and stored frozen thereafter at -70°C. Sera were available for 1075 individuals from the community. The second collection included Newfoundland families plus random individuals: the family units usually under genetic investigation due to the necessity of kidney or hone marrow transplants. or for diseases such as ankylosing spondylitis, polycystic kidney disease, urolithiasis or diabetes. Samples of serum or heparin-plasma were separated and stored frozen at -70°C within approximately 3 hours of collection. The third collection consisted of an extended Labrador family of 110 members, 33 of whom have myotonic dystrophy (Larsen et al. 1979; Larsen et al. 1980). Heparin-plasma samples were separated and frozen in liquid nitrogen within 2 hours of collection and stored thereafter at -70°C. vinvl and easker (four lavers of 0.5 cm, wide

A small number of other samples were available from South Africa (through the kindness of Dr. M. Hammond) and from mainland China (through the kindness of Dr. S.N. Huang).

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Protein Separation

The polymorphic 66 and 67 proteins of human complement are separated by isoelectric focusing in thin-layer polyacrylamide gel and detection of the resulting banding is through the use of an appropriate overlay (see below). Because these two complement components have similar isoelectric focusing points, gels of identical chemical composition (see below) may be used. The slab gels used in this laboratory are ultra-thin; of obvious economic benefit but use of such gels also results in crisper bands of better separated proteins (Massi et al. 1979).

Preparation of Ultra-thin-layer Polyacrylamide Slab Gels

To prepare four, approximately 15 cm. X 20.5 cm. X 0.05 cm. slab gels, the following materials are needed:

> 60.0 nl. stock acrylamide solution (see below)
> 1.0 nl. ampholine pH 5-7 (LKR, 40% w/v, Fisher Scientific Ltd., Whitby, ON)
> 0.8 nl. ampholine pH 6-8 (LKR, 40% w/v, Fisher Scientific
> 0.2 nl. ampholine pH 3.5-10 (LKR, 40% w/v, Fisher Scientic Ltd., Whitby, ON)
> 30.0 µl. TEMED (Eastman Kodack Co., Rochester, NY)
> 16.0 nl. 1 ng.X riboflavin (Sigma Chemical Co., St. Louis, MO)

The above chemicals are combined, in the order above, in a vacuum flask and de-gassed with swirling for five minutes or until no bubbles form on the flask bottom. The de-gassed solution is poured between two glass plates with the aid of a pipette and any bubbles are removed by gentle tapping. One glass plate (16.5 cm. X 21 cm.) is covered with self-adhesive transparent vinyl and gasket (four layers of 0.5 cm. wide vinyl), permanently bound to the plate. The second plate (16.4 cm. X 21.5 cm., glass prepared for coating, treated both sides, Ilford Nuclear Research, Markham, ON) is clamped to the covered plate and will form the support for the gel.

Folymerization of the acrylamide mixture is initiated by direct light and is complete in approximately 2¹/₂ hours. The plates are pried apart and the polymerized gel and its support plate are wrapped with plastic wrap and cured at 4⁶C overnight.

Preparation of Stock Acrylamide Solution

To prepare 500.0 ml. stock acrylamide solution, the following materials are needed:

 16.68 g. taurine (BDH Chemicals, Toronto, ON)
 33.3 g. acrylamide, enzyme grade (Eastman Kodack Co., Rochester, NY)
 0.9 g. N-N'-methylene-bisacrylamide (Eastman Kodack Co., Rochester, NY)

The taurine is dissolved with gentle heating and stirring in approximately 300 ml. distilled water. The acrylamides are added and dissolved and the solution made up to 500.0 ml. in distilled water. This stock solution is refrigerated at 4° C in a clean glass bottle covered with foil wrap. (The taurine is incorporated in the stock solution so that the slab gels are isotonic for the detecting cells used in the hemolytic overlay.)

Preparation of Gel for Isoelectric Focusing and Application of

Materials needed:

cured polyacrylamide slab gel sample papers, 6 mm. X 12 mm. (Whatman 40) samples, quick-thawed at 37°C, on ice electrofocusing strips (LKB, Fisher Scientific Co., Whitby, 0N) anode solution, 1 M H₃FO₄ (Fisher Scientific Co., Whitby, ON) cathode solution, 1 N NaOH (BBH Chemicals, Toronto, ON) (Silemo informa p20(Mundel Scientific Co. 14 Rockland (DN))

Gilson pipetman, p20 (Mandel Scientific Co. Ltd., Rockland, ON) pipette tips For each slab gel, one electrofocusing strip is wet with anode solution, another with cathode solution and are then placed on the gel, approximately 1.5 cm. in on the lengthwise edges of the support plate. Sample papers are placed approximately 5 cm. from the anode strip and 3-6 µl. of sample is applied pet paper. The smaller sample of 3 µl. is best as protein overload causes streaking and the homozygous C6BB may be mistyped as the heterozygous C6AB.

Because the homozygous C7*1 pattern is most common, samples may be screened for C7. This entails using sample papers of 2 mm. X 18 mm., placing the papers very close together on the gel and using 2 μ l. of sample. The C7*2 and C7*3 patterns are easily distinguished from the common bands and this method allows more samples to be isoelectrically separated at one time.

Electrical Details of Isoelectric Focusing

Isoelectric focusing is carried out at 20 watts constant power, maximum voltage of 1500 volts (LKB 2103 Power Supply, Fisher Scientific Ltd., Whitby, ON) with cooling (Pharmacia Flatbed Apparatus FBE-3000, Dorval, PQ). The outport flow temperature is approximately 8°C throughout the focusing time, higher temperatures causing waving of the banding patterns and lower temperatures increasing protein viscosity.

The pH gradient is formed within the gel during the first half hour and is monitered by the increasing voltage and decreasing amps. Focusing of the C6 protein requires approximately $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours after the pH gradient has been established, the C7 protein about 1 hour less due to its lower pI.

C6 Detection

Materials needed:

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0.75% (w/v) agarose (Indubiose A37, Reactifs IBF, Gennevilliers) in CFD 10% (v/v) EA 1.5% (w/v) joining agar (Seakem, Marine Colloids Div., FMC Corp., Rockland, ME)

C6 deficient rabbit serum four-sided plexiglass box, 19.5 cm. X 8 cm. a detecting cells leveling table

<u>CFD (complement fixation test diluent, Oxoid, England)</u>: The tablet form is solubilized in distilled water, 100.0 ml. distilled water per tablet.

<u>EA (antibody sensitized sheep red blood cells</u>): Sheep red blood cells in Alsever's solution are washed (X3) in CFD and made up to 20% in CFD. Rabbit anti-sheep red cell anti-serum (Gibco Grand Island Biological Co., Grand Island, NY or Wellcome Reagents Ltd., Beckenham, England), 0.1 ml. anti-serum per 0.5 ml. packed sheep cells, is added and the cells are stirred at 4° C for 20-30 minutes to allow attachment of the antibody to the cell membranes. The sensitized cells are then washed with CFD (X3), made up to 10% with CFD and stored at 4° C. (With the anti-serum used in this laboratory, 0.1 ml. anti-serum per 0.5 ml. packed cells always gives a minimal hemolytic dose of 6-10, as recommended by Lachmann and Bobart (1978c).

<u>C6 deficient_rabbit</u> serum: C6 deficient rabbits are bled from the ear into glass tubes. The blood is allowed to clot for 45-60 minutes at room temperature. After separation from the clot, the serum is divided into 1 ml. aliquots and stored at -70° C.

<u>Principle of the C6 overlay:</u> After focusing, the C6 protein, has assumed its characteristic banding pattern according to the protein's specific pI. The overlay contains all necessary components for lysis of the sensitized cells except C6. During an incubation period, the C6 protein will diffuse up into the agarose overlay and completing the cascade, will cause bands of lysis.

Pouring of the overlay: The joining agar (1.5% w/v) and agarose (0.75% w/v) is completely melted and kept at 56°C. The detecting cells (10% in CFD) are kept at 37°C. Moments before the gel is finished focusing, the deficient serum (0.5 ml./gel) is quick-thawed at 37°C. The focused gel is removed from the electrofocusing apparatus and the foursided plexiglass box is positioned approximately midway between the electrode strips. Using the 1.5% joining agar, the box is joined to the gel. 5.2 ml. agarose (0.75% w/v) is cooled to 45° C. 0.35 ml. EA (10% in CFD) added and the mixture is swirled to mix thoroughly. C6 deficient rabbit serum (0.5 ml./gel) is added. The mixture is again swirled and then poured into the area formed by the box. The overlay is spread by shaking the plate and placing it on the leveling table to ensure even distribution. (All these steps must be completed within a limited amount of time to ensure a clear overlay. If the agarose is cooled too long, it will solidify. Also, addition of detecting cells into agarose that is too hot will result in cell clumping.) The plate is then incubated in a moist chamber at 4°C for 30-45 minutes. Banding is visualized within 15 minutes at room temperature.

<u>Allotyping of "older"serum</u>: Older serum has a tendency towards thicker banding than fresh samples but with experience, the homozygous C6AA can be easily distinguished from the heterozygous C6AB. Plates should be read as soon as the bands are developed. If left too'long, overdeveloped homozygous patterns may be misread as heterozygous C6AB.

C7 Detection

Materials needed:

0.75% (w/v) agarose (Indubiose A37, Reactifs IBF, Gennevilliers) in EDTA-PBS 10% (v/v) guinea pig cells in PBS 1.5% (w/v) joining agar (Seakem, Marine Colloids Div., -C56 serum C56 serum

four-sided plexiglass box, 19.5 cm. X 8 cm.

<u>PBS</u> (phosphate_buffered_saline, Oxoid, England): The tablet form is solubilized in distilled water, 100.0 ml. per tablet.

EDTA-PES stock solution: A solution of 0.01 M EDTA (Sigma Chemical Co., St. Louis, MO), 0.2 M Na₂·EDTA (Fisher Scientific Ltd., Whitby, ON) and 0.2 M Na₄·EDTA (BDH Chemicals, Toronto, ON) is made in PBS. The pH is brought to 7.2 with 1 M NaOH (BDH Chemicals, Toronto, ON) if necessary. The stock solution is stored at 4°C and used as 5% in PBS.

<u>Guinea pig cells</u>: Cells obtained through heart puncture of healthy, normal guinea pig are washed (X3) in PBS and stored at 10% (volume packed cells/volume in PBS) at 4°C.

<u>C56</u> serum <u>-</u> preparation from acute phase serum: Three to five days post-trauma, whether it be childbirth, surgery or infection (bacterial or viral), specific serum proteins are known to increase in concentration, moreso in some individuals than in others (Thompson and Rose, 1968; Ganrot, 1974; Füst et al. 1976; Mak, 1978). Complement components C5 and C6 are two of these proteins. Blood from such subjects is obtained and serum collected off the clot is treated with yeast suspension, as prepared by Lachmann and Hobart (1978c), (a kind gift from Dr. M.J. Hobart), 50 µl. yeast suspension per 1.0 ml. serum, overnight at room temperature (see principle below). Centrifugation removes the yeast and the serum is aliquoted in 1 ml. volumes and is stored thereafter at -70° C. <u>The principle of the test for $\underline{C56}$ activity:</u> Yeast activation of the alternative complement pathway results in consumption of the complement components. If there are elevated levels of C5 and C6, there will be great amounts of $\overline{C56}$ formed as the other components are depleted; C7 is usually at a limiting concentration and is exhausted by this treatment.

Serum deposited into the test plate well diffuses into the agarose and any $\overline{C56}$ in the test serum will attach to the guinea pig cell membranes. Normal human serum incorporated in the agarose will supply the required C7, C8 and C9 for lysis of the cells. Activation of the earlier components in the normal human serum is inhibited by the incorporation of EDTA in the agarose which chelates the magnesium and calcium ions required for activation of either pathway. Therefore, lysis occurs only in the areas where $\overline{C56}$ is present. The diameter of the ring is indicative of the concentration of $\overline{C36}$ in the test serum (see Eigure IX). Serum giving no or minimal rings of lysis is discarded. No further purification is necessary.

Testing of the treated serum for C56 activity: Materials needed are as follows:

2.0% agarose (w/v) (Seakem, Marine Colloids Div., FMC Corp., Rockland, ME) 10% (v/v) guinea pig cells in PSS NHS (normal human serum) 5 cm. X 5 cm. glass plate, clean

Completely melted agarose which has been kept at $56^{\circ}C$ is cooled to $37^{\circ}C$. 0.20 ml. NHS and 0.20 ml. guinea pig cells (10% v/v) are added and after thorough mixing, the mixture is poured onto the clean glass plate and spread evenly to all edges. The agarose is allowed to harden and wells are punched. 7 µl. of test serum is deposited per

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Figure IX. Test plate for $\overline{C56}$ activity in yeast treated acute phase sera. Test sera deposited into wells, diffuse into agar containing guinea pig cells, EDTA and normal human serum (NNBS). EDTA prevents <u>de novo</u> activation of complement. $\overline{C56}$ present in the test sera attaches to the cell membranes. C7, C8 and C9 from the NHS complete the cascade and lysis occurs. Wells 5 and 6 contain sera having high C56 activity, wells 1, 2 and 3, adequate activity and well 4, inadequate activity. well. The test plate is incubated at 4° C overnight and then placed in a 37° C incubator and warmed for 1-2 hours.

<u>Principle of the C7 overlay</u>: Once focused, the C7 protein is in a banded pattern according to the proteins's pI. C7 rapidly diffuses up into the overlay containing guinea pig cells and $\overline{C56}$. The presence of the EDTA in the overlay inhibits any activation of the classical or alternative pathways. C7 complexes with the $\overline{C56}$ which has attached to the cell membranes and C8 and C9 supplied in the $\overline{C56}$ serum complete the cascade. Bands of lysis appear in the areas of high C7 concentration.

<u>Pouring of the overlay</u>: The reagents needed for C7 detection are made ready as in the C6 procedure, that is, the agarose for joining and overlay are completely melted and kept at 56° C, the detecting cells are kept at 37° C and the $\overline{C56}$ serum is quick-thawed at 37° C just moments before the gel is finished focusing. The gel is removed from the apparatus and the box positioned about midway between the electrode strips and joined to the gel with the joining agar. 5.2 ml. agarose (0.75% w/v in EDTA-PBS) is cooled to 37° C. 0.5 ml. $\overline{C56}$ serum and 0.35 ml. 10% (v/v in PBS) guinea pig cells are added, mixed thoroughly and poured, distributing evenly within the area formed by the box by shaking the plate and then placing it on the leveling table. As with the C6 overlay, these steps must be done in a limited amount of time. The plate is incubated at 4° C for 15 minutes.

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CHAPTER IV RESULTS

C6 Results

Approximately 2400 sera were typed for C6 by the hemolytic overlay technique (see Methods), these being derived mainly from three sources: (i) West Coast community study, (ii) Newfoundland families plus random individuals and (iii) Labrador myotonic dystrophy family. Details of each collection are given in the Materials and Methods section.

<u>Phenotypes and alleles</u>: The typical pattern observed consisted of a ladder-like pattern of 3 to 4 bands of hemolysis (Figure X-A,B,C) spreading approximately between pH 6 and pH 8. By comparison with published reports, it was obvious that the majority of patterns were derived from two alleles in homozygous or heterozygous forms, a fact which was confirmed by family studies (see below). The two alleles have been called C6*A and C6*B.

Several rare phenotypes were observed. Serum H.D., a Newfoundland person, used from repeated bleeds as a reference serum, always showed a pattern shown in Figure X-D. This is interpreted as an A allele together with a more acidic variant allele whose lines interdigitate with those of C6*A. From descriptions of variants (Mauff et al. 1979), this is considered to be a C6*Al but comparisons with a reference C6*Al have not been possible. Fifteen other sera with this same allele were found, eleven were together with C6*A and four were C6*Al with C6*B (see Figure X-E). Another rare pattern, shown in Figure X-F, is interpreted as an A allele with a variant B allele; clearly, the bands of the variant allele are shifted to a slightly more basic pH and interdigitate with those of the common C6*B allele (Figure X-G). It is because of this minor shift that this is thought probably to be a rare C6*B1 al-

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lele, as described by Mauff et al. (1979). Unfortunately, no reference serum was available to confirm this. This C6*B1 allele was observed in six sera, only in combination with C6*A. A study of a single South African family fortuitously revealed the rare pattern shown in Figure X-H. This is considered to be a B allele together with a variant of neither the A or B allele since the lines interdigitate with both those of C6*A and C6*B. This is compatible with the allele described by Mauff et al. (1979) which was designated C6*M. This rare allele was observed in a nephew of the man just described but was in combination with C6*A (see Figure X-I).

The phenotype and actual numbers observed in each collection studied are given in Table VI.

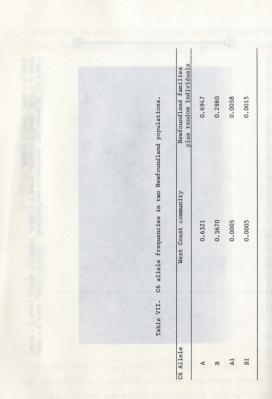
Allele frequencies and inheritance: Although the West Coast community is known to contain many related individuals, all results were pooled as random samples for the calculation of the allele frequencies. In the Newfoundland families plus random individuals collection any known related persons were collected into family units and only the alleles from the parents or founders were used in the counting, all other samples were treated as random. The South African family was not included in the calculations. The Labrador collection of 110 individuals is an extended family and therefore allele frequencies were not calculated. The allele frequencies for the West Coast community and the Newfoundland families plus random individuals are given in Table VII. It can be seen that there is no significant difference between the allele frequencies of these two populations and those previously studied.

Single parent-offspring combinations, as well as mating pair-off-

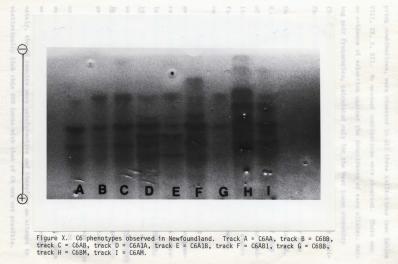
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| Collection | n | | AA | AB | BB | AB1 | AlB | AlA |
|---------------------------------------|-------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------|--------|
| West Coast community | 1075 | Observed | 418 | 522 | 133 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| | | Expected | 429.5 | 498.8 | 144.8 | 0.3 | 0.2 | |
| | | χ² | 0.3079 | 1.0791 | 0.9616 | 1.6333 | 3.2 | |
| Newfoundland families | | | | | | | | |
| plus random individuals | 689.5 | Observed | 351 | 249 | 79.5 | 2 | 3 | 5 |
| | | Expected | 332.8 | 285.5 | 61.2 | 0.7 | 1.2 | 2.8 |
| C6 Allele | | χ² | 0.9953 | 4.6664 | 5.4721 | 2.4143 | 2.7 | 1.7286 |
| Labrador myotonic dystrophy family | 110 | Observed | 73 | 36 | 1 | | | |
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Table VI. Observed phenotypes in three Newfoundland populations.



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pring combinations, were observed in all three collections (see Tables VIII, IX, X, XI). No unusual combinations were observed. There was no evidence of selection against the inheritance of rare alleles. Mating pair frequencies, calculated only for the West Coast community (Table IX) and the Newfoundland families (Table X), revealed no significant deviation from the expected mating frequencies.

<u>Mendelian ratios</u>: Actual and predicted numbers of progeny from the matings observed in the three collections are shown in Tables IX, X and XI. Of significance is the excess of C6AA and deficit of C6AB offspring resulting from C6AB X C6AB matings in the Newfoundland families collection. However, in all other instances, there is no significant deviation between the expected and observed offspring number resulting from the various mating pairs.

Linkage studies with C6: Twenty-six families were studied for evidence of C6 linkage with the HLA complex. Since all were two generation families, z₁ scores (and e₁ scores where necessary) were calculated as shown by Alan E.H. Emery in <u>Methodology in Medical Genetics</u>, <u>1976</u>. For those families with sibships larger than seven, lod scores were calculated as suggested by R.R. Race and R. Sanger in <u>Blood Groups</u> <u>in Man, 1975</u>. Combined lod scores for 19 males and 7 females gave negative values for all recombination fractions, as shown in Table XII.

Other linkage studies with C6: A previous study of the West Coast community revealed the increased incidence of a variant of red cell superoxide dismutase (SOD). The pedigree is given in Figure XI. Sera were available for 23 family members and were typed for C6. Unfortunately, the C6 results were uninformative and therefore an attempt to statistically link this SOD locus with that of C6 was not possible.

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Table IX. Observed mating pairs and inheritance of C6 alleles in the West Coast community.

| Parental | Collection | n | 1 | Offspring | 78 171 | | |
|----------|-----------------------|--------|-------|-----------|------------|-----|-----|
| Genotype | 5(34,0) 4,5714 | 0(0) | AA | AB | BB | AB1 | n |
| | | |) | | (24.0) 1.2 | | |
| AA | West Coast community | 44 | 77 | 30 35 35 | (27.50 1.6 | 0 | 112 |
| | Newfoundland families | 17 | 32 | | (7.0)0 - | 0 | 39 |
| | Labrador M.D. family | 3 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| | | | | | | | |
| AB | West Coast community | 61 | 39 | 71 | 31 | 1 | 142 |
| | Newfoundland families | 32 | 49 | 50 | 15 | 0 | 114 |
| | Labrador M.D. family | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| | | | | | | | |
| BB | West Coast community | 16 | 0 | 18 | 9 | 0 | 27 |
| | Newfoundland families | 4 | 0 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 8 |
| Sx2 | n.8.5057, insignifies | at P D | 0.05. | AF # 5 | | | |
| T | otal single parents | 178 | | Total off | spring | | 451 |

Table VIII. Single parent-offspring combinations.

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| Mating Pair | n n | χ^2 | Off | spring Genotype | 0) | χ ² | n | |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|-------------------|-----------------|----------|----------------|--------|--|
| AA = AB | OBS(EXP) | 1 2321 | AA | AB | BB | | 1.5504 | |
| AA x AA | 16(20.8) | 1.1077 | 61(61) | 0(0) | 0(0) | _ | 61 | |
| AA x AB | 55(48.4) | 0.9 | 75(85.5) | 96(85.5) | 0(0) | 2.578 | 171 | |
| AA x BB | 5(14.0) | 4.5714 | 0(0) | 20(20.0) | 0(0) | - | 20 | |
| AB x AB | 33(28.1) | 0.8544 | 23(24.0) | 53(48.0) | 20(24.0) | 1.230 | 96 | |
| AB x BB | 16(16.3) | 0.0055 | 0(0) | 30(27.5) | 25(27.5) | 1.684 | 55 | |
| BB x BB | 4(2.4) | 1.0667 | 0(0) | 0(0) | 7(7.0) | - | 7 | |
| AlB x AA | 1 | | 0(0.9) 0(0) | 1(015) 0(0) | 0 | | 1 | |
| AA X AB1 | 1 | | 1(2) 0(0) | 0(0) 0(0) | 3(2) | | 1.0 | |
| Total mating pairs | 130 | | 6(2.5) 1(2.5 T | otal offspring | | | 411 | |

Table X. Observed mating pairs and inheritance of C6 alleles in Newfoundland families.

Table IX. Observed mating pairs and inheritance of C6 alleles

 $\sum \chi^2_{mating} = 8.5057$, insignificant at P > 0.05, df = 5.

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 $x^{*}_{maximum} = 9.2339$, insignificant at P > 0.05, df = 5.

| Mating pair | n | X | 2 | 10 al 10 al 10 | Off | χ ² | n | | | |
|--------------------|----------|-------|--------|----------------|--------|----------------|---------|--------------|---------|------|
| | OBS (EXP | | | AA | | AB | BB | | | 2 |
| AA x AA | 13(18. | 2) 1 | .4857 | 36(3 | 86) | 0(0) | 0(0) | | - | 36 |
| AA x AB | 25(31. | 2) 1 | .2321 | 61(5 | 4.5) | 48(54.5) | 0(0) | | 1.5504 | 109 |
| AA x BB | 4(6.7 |) 1 | .0081 | 0(0 | | 8(8.0) | 0(0) | | - | 8 |
| AB x AB | 20(13. | | .2507 | | | 21(37.0) | | .5) | 18,4095 | 74 |
| AB x BB | 9(5.7 | | .9106 | 0(0 | | 15(15.0) | | | 0.0 | 30 |
| BB x BB | | | .2667 | 0(0) | | 0(0) 5(5.0 | | | - | 5 |
| | Table 3 | X. 10 | | i marine | Off | spring G | enotype | 6.06 alleles | | |
| | | | | AA | AB | AIA | AlB | AB1 | | |
| AA x AlA | 1 | | | 0(0.5) | 0(0) | 1(0.5) | 0(0) | 0(0) | 0.5 | |
| AA x A1B | 1 | | | 0(0) | | 2(1.5) | 0(0) | 0(0) | 0.3334 | 3 |
| AA x AB1 | 1 | | | 1(2) | 0(0) | 0(0) | 0(0) | 3(2) | 1.0 | 4 |
| | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| AB x A1A | 3 | | | 6(2.5) | 1(2.5) | 3(2.5) | 0(2.5) | 0(0) | 5.9 | 10 |
| AA X AB | | 100 | 12.1.1 | 170 | 6.01 | 151 | 16.91 | 0(0) | 0.135 | - 21 |
| Total mating pairs | 78 | | | | | | Tota | L offspring | | 280 |

Table X. Observed mating pairs and inheritance of C6 alleles in Newfoundland families.

 $\sum \chi^2_{\text{mating}} = 9.2339$, insignificant at P > 0.05, df = 5.

| Mating Pa | ir | 0.0n | | | Offspring Genot | type | X ² | ň |
|-----------|----|--------|-------|----------|-----------------|--------|----------------|------|
| Mate | 10 | -30.98 | 38.65 | AA | AB | BB | X | a.or |
| AA x AA | | -29.34 | | 26(26.0) | 0(0) | 0(0) | -0721 | 26 |
| AA x AB | | -63.25 | | 17(16.0) | -6.6.15(16.0) | 0(0) | 0.135 | 32 |
| AB x AB | | 2 | | 2(1.0) | 2(2.0) | 0(1.0) | 1.0 | 4 |

| Table XI. | Observed mating pairs and inheritance of C6 alleles | |
|-----------|---|--|
| | in a Labrador myotonic dystrophy family. | |

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| Table XII. C6 - HLA link | kage study. |
|--------------------------|-------------|
|--------------------------|-------------|

| Sex of | | | Two | generat | ion fami | lies; lod | score | at recomi | oination | fraction | θ= |
|--------------|----|--------|--------|---------|----------|-----------|-------|-----------|----------|----------|-------|
| Heterozygote | n | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.20 | 0.25 | 0.30 | 0.35 | 0.40 | 0.45 |
| Male | 19 | -39.98 | -18.65 | -10.37 | -6.13 | -3.60 | -2.01 | -1.02 | -0.45 | -0.15 | -0.03 |
| Female | 7 | -23.30 | -11.78 | -7.13 | -5.17 | -3.04 | -1.94 | -1.16 | -0.54 | -0.21 | -0.07 |
| Combined | 26 | -63.28 | -30.43 | -17.50 | -11.30 | -6.64 | -3.95 | -2.18 | -0.99 | -0.36 | -0.10 |

3618 1071 1350 C6AA C6AA C6AA

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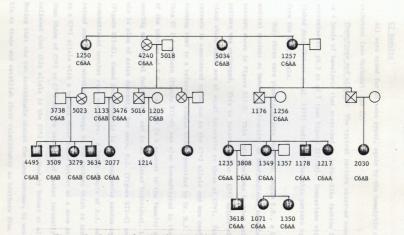


Figure XI. Pedigree for the C6 - SOD linkage attempt. Filled in figures represent individuals typed as heterozygous for the SOD variant, crossed figures are inferred heterozygous. C6 results are given. (used with permission of Ms. S.K. Buchler) -65-

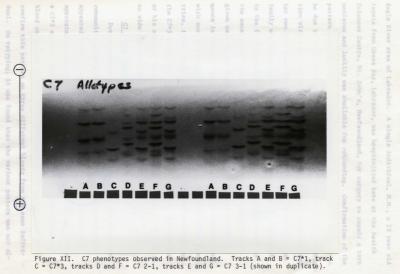
C7 Results

All sera typed for C6 were typed, again by the hemolytic overlay technique (see Methods), for C7.

<u>Phenotypes and alleles</u>: The typical pattern observed consisted of 4 bands of hemolysis that stretched in ladder-like fashion from approximately pH 5 to pH 7 (see Figure XII-AB). Comparison with published data (Hobart et al. 1978) indicated that this pattern is derived from the C7*1 allele.

Only three rare phenotypes were observed. Serum T.N., a Chinese medical student at Memorial University of Newfoundland, revealed the pattern shown in Figure XII-D. This individual was re-bled and the pattern was unchanged. This is interpreted as a C7*1 allele with a variant whose bands are of equal intensity to those of C7*1. This variant pattern is considered to be due to the C7*2 allele and was confirmed by running next to a reference sample kindly provided by Dr. M.J. Hobart. This C7 2-1 pattern (Figure XII-F) was also demonstrated in the serum of the brother of T.N., D.N., who is a student in the Faculty of Engineering at Memorial University, and in an related individual, L.H., who is also of Asian descent. Two sera, S.J. (Figure XII-G) and T.J. (Figure XII-E), found independently in the supposedly random collection, demonstrated another rare phenotype. A fresh sample of S.J. was obtained and rerun, showing no change in the pattern which is interpreted as a C7*1 allele with a variant whose bands appear at a more acidic pH than those of C7*1 or C7*2 and are seeminly of weaker intensity. It is believed that this allele is the C7*3 described by Hobart et al. (1978). Noting that the two individuals shared the same surname, it was possible to trace and establish their relationship as brothers from the

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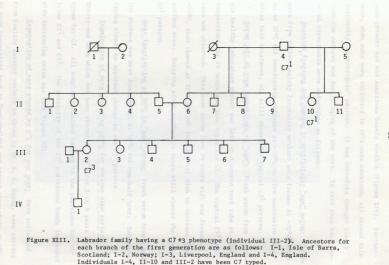
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Eagle River area of Labrador. A single individual, M.M., a 29 year old female from Goose Bay, Labrador, was hospitalized here at the Health Sciences Centre, St. John's, Newfoundland, for surgery to repair a torn meniscus and luckily was available for rebleeding. Confirmation of the pattern shown in Figure XII-C was possible. The pattern is believed to be due to either C7*3 homozygosity or else the C7*3 allele is in combination with a null allele as C7 3-0. Through M.M.'s kind cooperation and her own keen interest in her ancestry, a 4 generation pedigree for her family was obtained, with some detail as to the origin of each branch in the first generation (see Figure XIII). Of particular interest is the ancestor of individual I-2, a Norwegian who had the same unusual given name as the Eagle River individual. T.J.. The use of family mames is customary in the communities of Labrador and Newfoundland and with such a distinctive given name, typical only in Scandinavian countries, it is highly probable that the three individuals demonstrating the C7*3 allele are descended in some manner from this common ancestor or his spouse. This family is to be investigated further, but this is ou side the time frame of this thesis.

C7 Typing Problems - Due to an Aging Artifact?

During attempts to produce C7 allotyping data for the West Coast community, a variation in pattern in some sera was discovered which appeared to be a heterozygote patten. The extra band occurred at approximately the position that published data showed was occupied by a C7*3 allele. Since the West Coast community had been visited for blood collection in 1974, 1975, 1976 and 1979, it was possible to confirm this pattern on three different bleeds from the same individual. On retyping, it was found that the variant pattern was not al-

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ways present and was sometimes barely visible (Figure XIV). Furthermore, when many sera collected in 1974 were examined, all showed this supposedly "heterozygote" pattern. It was therefore thought likely that the pattern was due to aging of the sera. To test this idea, several experiments were undertaken as follows:

<u>Repeated freezing and thaving to artificially "age" serum</u>: Fresh sera from twelve healthy laboratory workers were frozen at -70° C, thawed at 37°C and immediately refrozen at -70° C on five successive days. After this treatment, all still showed the typical C7¹ pattern.

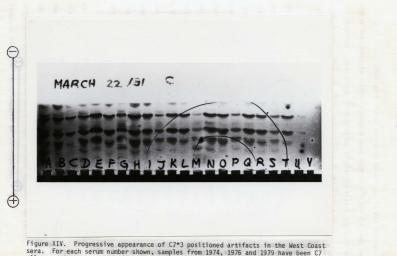
<u>Serum left at room temperature to "age"</u>: Fresh serum from a single healthy laboratory worker was left in a capped test tube at room temperature for 24 hours and then typed for C7. The typical C7¹ pattern was observed. This same serum (now 24 hours old) was frozen at -70°C, then thawed at 37°C and put into a petri dish to increase the surface area. Retyping after another 24 hours still showed the typical C7¹ pattern.

<u>Heat inactivation at 56°C to "age" serum:</u> Fresh serum from a healthy student was heat inactivated at 56°C for one half hour. Subsequent typing showed no apparent change in the C7¹ pattern.

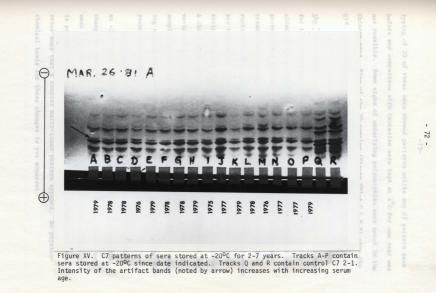
Examination of sera stored at -20° C for various time periods: Thirty-one sera which had been stored at -20° C for 2 to 9 years were typed for C7. All samples contained banding in the positions for alleles C7¹ and C7³. The intensity of the C7³ positioned bands increased with increasing serum age (see Figure XV).

<u>Examination of sera stored at 4°C for one year:</u> Sera collected from healthy factory workers in China by Dr. S. N. Huang, were carried at room temperature back to Newfoundland and stored thereafter at 4°C.

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set a. For each serum number shown, samples from 1974, 1976 and 1979 have been C7 allotyped in tracks above (A = 1974, B = 1976, C = 1979 for serum 1119; D = 1974, E = 1976, F = 1979 for serum 1126; etc.).

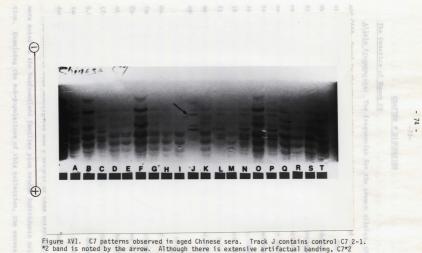


Typing of 20 of these sera showed patterns unlike any C7 pattern seen before and comparison with Caucasian sera kept at 4° C for one year was not possible. Some signs of underlying polymorphism were noted in the Chinese sera. Five of the 20 samples (Figure XVI-A,C,L,N,P) show the C7[#] 2 pattern found in the heterozygous sample T,N. (Figure XVI-T).

<u>Treatment with a reducing agent of naturally aged serum showing</u> <u>the "heterozygote" pattern</u>: Since oxidation of C7 was a possible cause for this alteration, by causing di-sulfide bond breakage, it was decided to try to reverse it with reducing agents. Serum which had been stored since 1978 at -20°C and showing a "heterozygote" pattern was treated with a small amount of dithiotreitol which caused total disruption of serum proteins. No C7 pattern was observed. A second serum was treated in a 3:1 ratio with 0.2 M mercaptoethanol and was immediately typed for C7. No change was seen in the "heterozygote" pattern. A third serum was treated with an equal volume of mercaptoethanol for various time periods. Disruption of all serum proteins occurred in samples treated for more than 8 minutes. Those treated with the reducing reagent for less than 8 minutes showed no disappearance of the supposed C7*3 bands.

<u>Conclusion</u>: It seems certain that aging of frozen sera, either at -20° C or at -70° C for more than one year, produces an artifactual change in the serum such that it types for C7 as C7 3-1, with a very weak C7*3 line initially which gets stronger with longer storage. It is probable that storage at 4° C for a year allows further changes to occur such that a complex multi-lined pattern appears. No physicochemical basis for these changes is yet apparent.

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bands are thought to exist in sera of tracks A, C, L, N, P.

CHAPTER V DISCUSSION

The Genetics of Human C6

<u>Allele frequencies</u>: The frequencies for the common alleles, C6*A and C6*B, found in the present study are similar to those found in other populations previously studied as reviewed in Chapter I. The West Coast community includes a large number of related individuals, 85% of the population being genealogically traced back to a single ancestral pair, yet, the C6*A (0.6321) and C6*B (0.3670) frequencies are not significantly different from those found in the rest of the Newfoundland population in which all known related members were collected into family units before calculation of the allele frequencies, C6*A (0.6947) and C6*B (0.2980). This is probably due to two factors, the first of which is that this is basically a two allele balanced polymorphism and secondly, the number of founders in the second and third generations was quite large.

Rare alleles C6*Al and C6*Bl occurred infrequently in the West Coast community study, having a combined frequency of 0.001 and no family data were obtained to show that these alleles were inheritable. The Newfoundland families plus random individuals collection had a slightly larger combined frequency (0.0073) of rare alleles, the C6*Al (frequency = 0.0058) occurring more frequently than C6*Bl (frequency = 0.0015). These rare patterns were shown to be consistant with Mendelian inheritance of a rare allele by family study and there was no evidence of selection (unfavourable transmission ratio) against them.

An excess of C6BB homozygotes and a deficit of C6AB heterozygotes were noted in the Newfoundland families plus random individuals collection. Examining the sub-populations of this collection, the excess

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could be attributed primarily to the C6 phenotypes of the random individuals. Considering the possibility of technical error, it was thought that any bias would slant toward the misreading of a C6AB as a homozygous C6BB (possibly caused by protein overload or overdevelopment of the plates before reading, see Methods). Therefore, the random individuals previously typed as C6BB were re-typed. The correction changed the prior calculations minimally. Therefore, this deviation of observed from expected phenotypes is thought probably due to chance.

Inheritance of C6 alleles: An initial study of the segregation of C6 alleles (Hobart et al. 1977) noted a slight increase in the number of C6AB progeny from C6AB X C6AB mating. Since there is evidence of duplication of the C6 locus in dogs (Hobart, personal communication) and of the C4 locus in humans (O'Neill et al. 1978a: O'Neill et al. 19-78b); this asymmetry of Mendelian ratios suggested the possibility of duplication at the C6 locus (Hobart, personal communication). Collection of further data on this topic was of interest in this study. Matings of heterozygotes in the West Coast community and the Labrador myotonic dystrophy families gave results which were compatible with regular Mendelian inheritance at a single locus. Parent combinations other than C6AB X C6AB in the Newfoundland families revealed no significant deviation of the observed and expected offspring frequencies. However, C6AB X C6AB matings gave an excess of C6AA offspring. This is the opposite finding to that of Hobart et al. (1977) and does not support the idea of duplication of the C6 locus. The excess of C6AB children noted in the first study (Hobart et al. 1977) can be given two possible explanations. It may have been due to chance but may also have resulted from a storage effect. Older serum has a tendency to be more difficult

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to allotype, the banding less crisp, generally thickened in all positions (see Allotyping of "older" serum, Methods); this results in difficulty in distinguishing C6AA homozygotes from C6AB heterozygotes. The storage effect would presumably not result in an excess of homozygote offspring and therefore it is probable that the excess found in the Newfoundland families study was due to chance. Taking the results together, there is no reason to suggest a more complicated genetics than one locus.

No abnormal phenotypes were evident in any matings which would indicate the presence of a null allele.

Linkage studies with C6: Data compiled in this thesis for testing for linkage between the C6 locus and the HLA complex reiterated previous efforts in that, at no recombination fraction was there a positive value. Although the attempt to link the C6 and SOD loci was uninformative, the C6 data of this thesis is to be used in a major effort to link a susceptibility gene for Hodgkin's disease and acquired immunodeficiency thought to be in the West Coast community, with various markers (E.A. Thompson, 1980) and in other genetic investigations of disease ongoing in this laboratory (see Samples, Materials).

The Genetics of Human C7

Data in this thesis reveal the perplexing presence of an artifact, in sera stored for prolonged periods, which mimics a C7*3 pattern. Moreover, the gradual appearance of the artifact may suggest the presence of an allele with reduced function. This artifact problem has'not been noted by previous investigators. To suggest that a true C7*3 allele may therefore not exist would be at the very least hasty and in fact, the opposite is suggested; three sera studied in this thesis appear to have

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alleles, whose products migrate to the $C7^3$ position. The heterozygote pattern. C73,1 observed in two samples from the supposedly random individuals collection, was confirmed on a fresh sample available from one of them. Upon further investigation, it was discovered that the two individuals were brothers and therefore it appears that they share a genuine $C7^3$ allele. Similarly, the patient who only had a $C7^3$ pattern, due to either $C7^3$ homozygosity or to the $C7^3$ allele in combination with a null allele, was rebled and an identical pattern was obtained on typing performed immediately . It happens that these C73 patterns all appeared to have somewhat reduced activity when compared with bands of the $C7^1$ or $C7^2$ alleles, but this reduction is slight. Of the nine C7³ allele patterns described by Hobart et al. (1978), five were also confirmed on fresh sera, three were not able to be traced, and one was not confirmed on fresh serum. This single non-confirmation might be explained by the presence of artifactual banding. Thus, it appears that there are genuine C7³ alleles which code for proteins having somewhat weaker activity than those of the $C7^1$ or $C7^2$ alleles: as well there is an age artifact band resembling C7³ whose intensity may vary from very weak to fully developed.

The nature of this artifact is unclear and it is not known whether factors other than storage and age may cause changes in the $C7^1$ protein such that its migration mimics that of $C7^3$. As was seen in the Chinese sera examined, there is a possibility of further aging, resulting in other artifactual patterns which are still detectable by the hemolytic method. Therefore, it would seem that sera being examined for C7 polymorphism should not have been stored for prolonged periods and all $C7^3$ allele patterns observed should ideally be confirmed on fresh sera. The fact that the $C7^{2,1}$ patterns described in this thesis were found in Asian persons raised suspicions that the $C7^{2}$ allele might occur with a greater frequency in Asian populations than in Caucasian populations. Although the Chinese sera from mainland China revealed some banding thought due to aging, a distinct band in the $C7^{2}$ position in approximately 40% of the individuals allotyped strongly suggests that the $C7^{2}$ allele frequency is indeed increased. Confirmation on fresh samples from a Chinese community is required, (and is currently underway), but it would appear a $C7^{2}$ allele of Chinese origin may have reached balanced polymorphism due to some selective pressure in the Asian environment.

The major difficulty in confirming linkage of the C6 and C7 loci lies in the fact that in Caucasian populations variation in C7 is rare. If these preliminary observations in Chinese are confirmed, then study of Chinese families could quickly add a great deal more data for measuring recombination between C6 and C7.

The identification and availability of the Labrador family described in this thesis as having a genuine $C7^3$ allele may also provide information for C6/C7 linkage studies and is to be pursued in the next few months.

In conclusion, the results on C6 and C7 compiled for this thesis not only represent the first Canadian data, but also provide the basic information for future efforts in this laboratory to map the C6 locus by classical linkage methods. In addition, the results on Chinese sera and on a Labrador family offer two avenues by which the linkage of the C6 and C7 loci may be confirmed and the distance between them estimated by recombination. Finally, the identification of artifactual banding

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tifactual banding of C7 may clarify confusing results that might be ob-

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APPENDIX

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| 1009 | AB | 1043 | AB |
| 1010 | AB | 1044 | BB |
| 1011 | AA | 1045 | AB |
| 1012 | AB | 1046 | AA |
| 1013 | AA | 1047 | AB |
| 1014 | AA | 1049 | AA |
| 1015 | AA | 1051 | AB |
| 1016 | AB | 1052 | AA |
| 1018 | AA | 1053 | AA |
| 1020 | AA | 1054 | AB |
| 1021 | AA | 1055 | AB |
| 1022 | AA | 1056 | BB |
| 1023 | AA | 1057 | AB |
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| 1030 | AA | 1059 | AA |
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| 1067 | AB | 1099 | AB |
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| 1070 | AB | 1102 | AA |
| 1071 | AA | 1103 | AB |
| 1072 | AB | 1105 | AB |
| 1077 | AA | 1106 | AB |
| 1078 | AA | 1112 | AB |
| 1079 | AA | 1116 | AB |
| 1080 | AA | 1117 | AB |
| 1081 | AA | 1118 | AA |
| 1082 | AB | 1119 | AB |
| 1083 | AA | 1123 | BB |
| 1084 | AA | 1124 | AB |
| 1085 | AA | 1125 | BB |
| 1086 | AB | 1126 | AA |
| 1087 | AB | 1127 | BB |
| 1088 | AB | 1129 | BB |
| 1092 | AB | 1130 | AB |
| 1093 | AB | 1131 | AB |
| 1094 | AB | 1132 | AB |
| 1095 | AB | 1133 | AA |
| 1096 | AB | 1134 | AB |
| 1097 | ВВ | 1135 | BB |
| 1098 | AB | 1136 | AB |

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| 1137 | AA | 1166 | AA |
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| 1141 | AB | 1169 | AA |
| 1142 | AB | 1170 | AA |
| 1143 | BB | 1171 | AB |
| 1144 | AA | 1172 | AA |
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| 1152 | AB | 1186 | AB |
| 1153 | AB | 1187 | AB |
| 1155 | AA | 1188 | AB |
| 1157 | BB | 1191 | BB |
| 1159 | AA | 1199 | AB |
| 1160 | AB | 1201 | AB |
| 1161 | AA | 1202 | AA |
| 1162 | AA | 1204 | AA |
| 1163 | AA | 1205 | AB |
| 1164 | BB | 1206 | AB |
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| 1210 | AA | 1250 | AA |
| 1212 | AA | 1251 | BB |
| 1213 | BB | 1253 | BB |
| 1217 | AA | 1254 | AA |
| 1218 | AA | 1255 | AA |
| 1220 | AA | 1256 | AA |
| 1221 | AB | 1257 | AA |
| 1222 | AA | 1258 | AA |
| 1223 | AB | 1259 | AA |
| 1225 | AA | 1343 | AB |
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| 1230 | AA | 1346 | AA |
| 1233 | AB | 1347 | AA |
| 1235 | AA | 1348 | AA |
| 1237 | AB | 1349 | AA |
| 1238 | AA | 1350 | AA |
| 1239 | AA | 1351 | AA |
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| 2005 | AB | 2036 | AA |
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| 2007 | BB | 2039 | AA |
| 2008 | AB | 2040 | AB |
| 2009 | AA | 2041 | AB |
| 2010 | AB | 2044 | AB |
| 2012 | AA | 2045 | AB |
| 2013 | AA | 2046 | AB |
| 2014 | BB | 2047 | AB |
| 2015 | BB | 2048 | AB |
| 2016 | AB | 2049 | AB |
| 2017 | AB | 2053 | AA |
| 2018 | AB | 2054 | AB |
| 2019 | AA | 2055 | AB |
| 2020 | AB | 2058 | AA |
| 2021 | AB | 2060 | AA |
| 2022 | AB | 2061 | AA |
| 2025 | AB | 2063 | AA |
| 2029 | AB | 2064 | BB |
| 2030 | AB | 2056 | AA |
| 2031 | AA | 2067 | AA |
| 2032 | AB | 2068 | AA |
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| 2075 | AB | 2105 | AB |
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| 2080 | AA | 2111 | AA |
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| 2085 | AA | 2194 | AA |
| 2086 | AA | 2196 | AA |
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| 2088 | AA | 2199 | AB |
| 2089 | AA | 3001 | AB |
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| 2091 | AB | 3006 | AB |
| 2092 | AB | 3007 | AA |
| 2093 | AB | 3009 | AA |
| 2094 | AA | 3010 | AB |
| 2096 | AA | 3011 | AB |
| 2097 | AB | 3012 | AB |
| 2100 | AB | 3013 | AB |
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| 3016 | AA | 3054 | AB |
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| 3019 | BB | 3057 | AB |
| 3020 | AB | 3058 | AB |
| 3021 | AB | 3060 | AB |
| 3023 | AA | 3061 | AB |
| 3026 | AA | 3063 | AB |
| 3027 | AA | 3064 | BB |
| 3029 | AA | 3065 | AB |
| 3031 | AA | 3066 | AB |
| 3032 | AA | 3067 | AA |
| 3034 | AA | 3068 | AB |
| 3035 | AA | 3069 | AB |
| 3038 | AB | 3072 | AB |
| 3039 | AB | 3073 | AB |
| 3040 | AB | 3074 | AA |
| 3042 | AB | 3075 | BB |
| 3043 | AB | 3076 | BB |
| 3045 | AA | 3078 | AB |
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| 3048 | AB | 3082 | AB |
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| 3090 | AA | 3129 | AA |
| 3091 | AB | 3130 | AA |
| 3092 | AB | 3133 | BB |
| 3093 | BB | 3135 | AA |
| 3095 | AB | 3143 | AB |
| 3096 | AB | 3146 | AB |
| 3099 | BB | 3148 | BB |
| 3101 | BB | 3149 | AB |
| 3102 | AB | 3150 | AA |
| 3103 | AB | 3151 | AB |
| 3104 | AB | 3152 | BB |
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| 3106 | BB | 3155 | AB |
| 3112 | AB | 3157 | AB |
| 3114 | AA | 3158 | AB |
| 3115 | BB | 3159 | BB |
| 3116 | AB | 3162 | AA |
| 3117 | BB | 3163 | AA |
| 3120 | AA | 3164 | AB |
| 3122 | AB | 3165 | AA |
| 3124 | AB | 3166 | AB |
| 3125 | AB | 3169 | AB |
| 3126 | AB | 3170 | AA |
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| 3171 | AA | 3208 | AB |
| 3172 | AA | 3209 | BB |
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| 3178 | BB | 3215 | AA |
| 3179 | AB | 3219 | AA |
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| 3181 | AA | 3221 | BB |
| 3183 | AB | 3222 | AA |
| 3186 | AB | 3223 | AA |
| 3188 | AA | 3224 | AB |
| 3189 | AA | 3226 | AA |
| 3190 | AB | 3227 | AA |
| 3191 | AB | 3228 | AB |
| 3194 | AA | 3229 | AA |
| 3195 | AA | 3230 | AA |
| 3197 | AA | 3231 | AB |
| 3199 | AA | 3232 | AB |
| 3202 | AA | 3233 | BB |
| 3203 | AB | 3234 | AB , |
| 3204 | AA | 3235 | AB |
| 3205 | AB | 3236 | AB |
| 3206 | AB | 3237 | AB |
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| Number | C6 Genotype | Number | C6 Genotype |
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| 3238 | AB | 3275 | AB |
| 3244 | AB | 3276 | AA |
| 3246 | AA | 3279 | AB |
| 3247 | AA | 3280 | BB |
| 3250 | AB | 3281 | AB |
| 3251 | AA | 3286 | AB |
| 3252 | BB | 3287 | AA |
| 3255 | AB | 3288 | AA |
| 3256 | BB | 3289 | AB |
| 3257 | AA | 3294 | AB |
| 3258 | BB | 3296 | AB |
| 3259 | BB | 3297 | AB |
| 3260 | AB | 3298 | AA |
| 3261 | BB | 3300 | AA |
| 3262 | AB | 3301 | AB |
| 3263 | AB | 3302 | BB |
| 3265 | AB | 3304 | AB |
| 3266 | AB | 3306 | BB |
| 3267 | AB | 3308 | AA |
| 3269 | BB | 3310 | AB |
| 3270 | BB | 3312 | BB |
| 3271 | AA | 3316 | AB , |
| 3272 | AB | 3317 | AB |
| 3273 | AB | 3319 | AA |
| 3274 | AB | 3321 | AA |
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| Number | C6 Genotype | Number | C6 Genotype |
|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|
| 3322 | AA | 3365 | AB |
| 3325 | AA | 3367 | AA |
| 3327 | AA | 3369 | AB |
| 3329 | AA | 3370 | AB |
| 3330 | AA | 3371 | AB |
| 3332 | AB | 3372 | AB |
| 3335 | AA | 3373 | AB |
| 3336 | BB | 3374 | AA |
| 3337 | BB | 3375 | BB |
| 3340 | AB | 3377 | BB |
| 3342 | AB | 3378 | BB |
| 3344 | AB | 3379 | BB |
| 3347 | AB | 3384 | AA |
| 3348 | AB | 3385 | AA |
| 3349 | AA | 3386 | AB |
| 3352 | AA | 3387 | AA |
| 3354 | AA | 3388 | AB |
| 3355 | AA | 3389 | BB |
| 3356 | AA | 3390 | AA . |
| 3359 | AA | 3392 | AA |
| 3360 | AA | 3395 | AB |
| 3361 | AA | 3396 | AA |
| 3362 | AB | 3397 | AB |
| 3363 | AB | 3398 | AA |
| 3364 | AB | 3399 | AA |

| Number | C6 Genotype | Number | C6 Genotype |
|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|
| 3400 | AA | 3436 | BB |
| 3401 | AA | 3437 | AA |
| 3402 | AB | 3438 | AB |
| 3403 | BB | 3439 | AB |
| 3404 | AB | 3441 | BB |
| 3405 | AB | 3442 | BB |
| 3406 | AA | 3443 | BB |
| 3407 | AA | 3444 | AB |
| 3409 | BB | 3445 | AA |
| 3410 | AB | 3446 | AB |
| 3412 | AB | 3448 | AB |
| 3414 | AB | 3449 | AA |
| 3416 | BB | 3451 | AB |
| 3417 | AB | 3452 | AA |
| 3418 | AB | 3453 | AA |
| 3420 | BB | 3454 | AB |
| 3421 | AA | 3456 | AB |
| 3425 | AB | 3457 | AB |
| 3427 | BB | 3458 | AB . |
| 3429 | AA | 3460 | AB |
| 3430 | AB | 3461 | AA |
| 3431 | AB | 3462 | AA , |
| 3433 | BB | 3463 | AB |
| 3434 | BB | 3464 | AB |
| 3435 | BB | 3465 | AB |
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| Number | C6 Genotype | Number | C6 Genotype |
|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|
| 3466 | AA | 3498 | AA |
| 3468 | AB | 3499 | AB |
| 3469 | AB | 3500 | AB |
| 3471 | AA | 3501 | AA |
| 3472 | AB | 3505 | AB |
| 3473 | AA | 3506 | AA |
| 3475 | AA | 3509 | AB |
| 3476 | AA | 3510 | AB |
| 3477 | AA | 3511 | AB |
| 3478 | AA | 3512 | AA |
| 3479 | AB | 3514 | AA |
| 3480 | AB | 3516 | AB |
| 3481 | AB | 3517 | AB |
| 3482 | BB | 3518 | AB |
| 3483 | AB | 3519 | AB |
| 3485 | BB | 3520 | AB |
| 3486 | AB | 3522 | AB |
| 3487 | AA | 3527 | AA |
| 3489 | AB | 3528 | AB |
| 3490 | AB | 3529 | AB |
| 3491 | AB | 3530 | AB |
| 3492 | AA | 3531 | AB |
| 3495 | AB | 3532 | AB |
| 3496 | AB | 3533 | AA |
| 3497 | AA | 3534 | AB |

| Number | C6 Genotype | Number | C6 Genotype |
|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|
| 3535 | AB | 3567 | AB |
| 3536 | AB | 3568 | AA |
| 3537 | AB | 3569 | AB |
| 3538 | AB | 3570 | AA |
| 3539 | BB | 3571 | AA |
| 3540 | AB | 3572 | AB |
| 3543 | AA | 3573 | AB |
| 3545 | AA | 3575 | BB |
| 3546 | AA | 3577 | AB |
| 3547 | AA | 3580 | AB |
| 3548 | AB | 3581 | AB |
| 3550 | BB | 3582 | AA |
| 3553 | AB | 3583 | AA |
| 3554 | AB | 3584 | AB |
| 3555 | AA | 3585 | AA |
| 3556 | AA | 3587 | AA |
| 3557 | AA | 3588 | AB |
| 3559 | BB | 3589 | AB |
| 3560 | AB | 3590 | AA |
| 3561 | AA | 3591 | AB |
| 3562 | AA | 3592 | AA |
| 3563 | AA | 3593 | AB , |
| 3564 | AB | 3594 | AB |
| 3565 | AB | 3595 | AB |
| 3566 | AB | 3596 | AA |
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| Number | C6 Genotype | Number | C6 Genotype |
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| 3597 | AB | 3659 | AA |
| 3598 | AA | 3663 | AB |
| 3599 | AA | 3664 | AB |
| 3601 | AB | 3667 | AA |
| 3605 | AA | 3668 | AA |
| 3606 | AA | 3669 | AB |
| 3607 | AA | 3671 | AA |
| 3609 | AA | 3675 | AB |
| 3612 | AB | 3676 | AA |
| 3615 | BB | 3679 | AA |
| 3617 | AB | 3680 | AB |
| 3618 | AA | 3684 | AA |
| 3620 | AA | 3686 | AA |
| 3632 | AB | 3687 | AA |
| 3634 | AB | 3689 | AB |
| 3637 | AB | 3690 | AA |
| 3638 | AA | 3691 | AB |
| 3640 | AA | 3692 | AB |
| 3641 | AB | 3693 | AB |
| 3645 | AB | 3694 | AA |
| 3646 | AA | 3695 | AA |
| 3647 | AA | 3697 | AA |
| 3648 | BB | 3698 | AB |
| 3649 | AA | 3699 | AB |
| 3658 | AA | 3700 | AB |
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| Number | C6 Genotype | Number | C6 Genotype |
|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|
| 3701 | AB | 3738 | AB |
| 3703 | AB | 3739 | AA |
| 3704 | AA | 3742 | AA |
| 3708 | AB | 3743 | AB |
| 3709 | AB | 3744 | AA |
| 3710 | AB | 3745 | AA |
| 3711 | AA | 3751 | BB |
| 3712 | AB | 3752 | BB |
| 3717 | BB | 3753 | AB |
| 3718 | AB | 3756 | AA |
| 3719 | BB | 3758 | AB |
| 3721 | AB | 3759 | AA |
| 3722 | AB | 3761 | AA |
| 3723 | AB | 3766 | AA |
| 3724 | AB | 3768 | AB |
| 3725 | AA | 3769 | AA |
| 3726 | AB | 3770 | AB |
| 3728 | AB | 3772 | BB |
| 3729 | AA | 3774 | AB |
| 3730 | AB | 3775 | AB |
| 3731 | AB | 3777 | AB |
| 3732 | AA | 3779 | AB |
| 3734 | AB | 3780 | AB |
| 3736 | AA | 3781 | AB |
| 3737 | AB | 3783 | AB |

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| Number | C6 Genotype | Number | C6 Genotype |
|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|
| 3786 | BB | 3822 | AA |
| 3789 | AB | 3825 | AA |
| 3790 | BB | 3826 | AA |
| 3791 | AB1 | 3827 | AA |
| 3792 | BB | 3828 | AB |
| 3793 | AB | 3829 | AB |
| 3795 | AB | 3830 | AA |
| 3796 | AA | 3832 | AB |
| 3799 | AB | 3833 | AB |
| 3801 | AA | 3834 | AB |
| 3802 | AB | 3835 | AA |
| 3804 | AB | 3836 | AB |
| 3805 | AB | 3837 | AB |
| 3806 | AB | 3838 | AA |
| 3807 | AB | 3840 | AB |
| 3808 | AA | 3841 | BB |
| 3809 | AB | 3842 | BB |
| 3812 | BB | 3843 | AB |
| 3813 | BB | 3844 | AB |
| 3816 | AB | 3847 | AA |
| 3817 | AB | 3848 | AA |
| 3818 | AB | 3849 | AA , |
| 3819 | AB | 3850 | AB |
| 3820 | AA | 3851 | AB |
| 3821 | AA | 3853 | AB |

| Number | C6 Genotype | Number | C6 Genotype |
|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|
| 3854 | AB | 3901 | AB |
| 3856 | BB | 3902 | AA |
| 3858 | AA | 3904 | AB |
| 3859 | AA | 3906 | AB |
| 3860 | AA | 3907 | AB |
| 3861 | AA | 3908 | AB |
| 3862 | AA | 3909 | AB |
| 3863 | AB | 3911 | BB |
| 3865 | AA | 3912 | AB |
| 3868 | AB | 3913 | AB |
| 3869 | AB | 3915 | AA |
| 3871 | AB | 3916 | AB |
| 3874 | AA | 3918 | AA |
| 3875 | BB | 3920 | AA |
| 3876 | BB | 3922 | AB |
| 3878 | AA | 3923 | AB |
| 3882 | AB | 3924 | AB |
| 3883 | AB | 3927 | AA |
| 3888 | AA | 3928 | AA |
| 3889 | AA | 3931 | AB |
| 3890 | AA | 3932 | AA |
| 3891 | AA | 3933 | AB |
| 3892 | AA | 3934 | AA |
| 3895 | AA | 3935 | AA |
| 3900 | AA | 3937 | AA |

| Number | C6 Genotype | Number | C6 Genotype |
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| 3938 | AA | 3987 | AB |
| 3940 | AA | 3988 | AB |
| 3943 | AB | 3990 | AB |
| 3944 | BB | 3991 | AB |
| 3945 | AB | 3992 | AA |
| 3946 | BB | 3993 | AB |
| 3947 | BB | 3994 | AB |
| 3950 | AA | 3996 | AB |
| 3959 | AB | 3997 | AA |
| 3960 | AB | 3998 | AA |
| 3961 | AB | 3999 | AA |
| 3965 | AB | 4000 | AA |
| 3967 | AA | 4001 | AB |
| 3969 | AA | 4002 | BB |
| 3970 | AA | 4003 | AA |
| 3971 | AB | 4079 | BB |
| 3973 | AB | 4097 | AB |
| 3974 | AA | 4135 | BB |
| 3976 | AA | 4141 | BB |
| 3977 | BB | 4142 | AB |
| 3979 | AB | 4200 | AA |
| 3982 | AA | 4240 | AA , |
| 3983 | AA | 4311 | AB |
| 3985 | AB | 4440 | BB |
| 3986 | AB | 4454 | AA |
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| Number | C6 Genotype | Number | C6 Genotype |
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| 4493 | AB | 5157 | AB |
| 4495 | AB | 5167 | AB |
| 5004 | BB | 5170 | AA |
| 5005 | BB | 5177 | AA |
| 5506 | AA | 5182 | AA |
| 5007 | AB | 5187 | AA |
| 5009 | AB | 5189 | AB |
| 5015 | AB | 5190 | AB |
| 5017 | AA | 5191 | AA |
| 5028 | AA | 5195 | AA |
| 5029 | BB | 5198 | AA |
| 5032 | AA | 5199 | AA |
| 5034 | AB | 5201 | AA |
| 5037 | AB | 5202 | AA |
| 5039 | AA | 5204 | AA |
| 5053 | AB | 5208 | AA |
| 5063 | AB | 5212 | AA |
| 5097 | AB | 5230 | AB |
| 5108 | BB | 5239 | AA |
| 5112 | AA | 5246 | BB |
| 5139 | AA | 5250 | AB |
| 5140 | AB | 5257 | AB , |
| 5142 | AB | 5275 | AA |
| 5148 | AB | 5280 | AA |
| 5149 | AA | 5291 | AA |

| Number | C6 Genotype | Number | C6 Genotype |
|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|
| 5304 | AB | 5523 | AA |
| 5305 | AB | 5524 | AA |
| 5309 | BB | 5525 | AB |
| 5320 | AB | 5526 | AB |
| 5330 | AB | 6022 | AB |
| 5405 | AB | 6212 | AA |
| 5413 | AA | 6302 | BB |
| 5415 | AA | 6305 | AB |
| 5419 | AA | 6306 | AB |
| 5438 | AB | 6308 | BB |
| 5439 | AA | 6309 | AB |
| 5450 | AB | 6500 | AA |
| 5452 | AA | 6527 | AB |
| 5457 | AA | 6563 | AB |
| 5468 | AA | 6586 | AB |
| 5469 | AB | 6587 | AA |
| 5473 | AA | 6639 | BB |
| 5515 | BB | 6640 | BB |
| 5516 | AA | 6641 | AB |
| 5517 | BB | 6649 | BB |
| 5518 | AB | 6651 | AB |
| 5519 | AB | 6652 | AA , |
| 5520 | AB | 6732 | AA |
| 5521 | AB | 6733 | AA |
| 5522 | AB | 6836 | AB |
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| Number | C6 Genotype | Number | C6 Genotype |
| 7154 | AA | | |
| 7156 | AB | | |
| 7219 | AB | | |
| 7220 | AA . | | |
| 7225 | AB | | |
| 7244 | AB | | |
| 7318 | AB | | |
| 7319 | AB | | |
| 8024 | BB | | |
| 8026 | BB | | |
| 8038 | AA | | |
| 8212 | AA | | |
| 9001 | AB | | |
| 9002 | BB | | |
| 9003 | AB | | |
| 9004 | AA | | |
| 9005 | AB | | |
| 9006 | AA | | |
| 9007 | BB | | |
| 9008 | AB | | |
| 9009 | AB | | |
| 9010 | BB | | AB , |
| 9011 | BB | | |
| 9996 | AB | | |
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| Number | C6 Genotype | | Nu | mber | C6 Genoty | pe |
| BA 1001 | BB | | BA | 1133 | AA | |
| BA 1004 | AA | | BA | 1135 | AA | |
| BA 1005 | AB | | BA | 1138 | BB | |
| BA 1019 | BB | | BA | 1139 | AB | |
| BA 1021 | BB | | BA | 1141 | AB | |
| BA 1025 | AA | | BA | 1142 | AA | |
| BA 1030 | BB | | BA | 1154 | AA | |
| BA 1037 | AB | | BA | 1162 | AA | |
| BA 1040 | AA | | BA | 1165 | AB | |
| BA 1043 | AA | | BA | 1167 | A1A | |
| BA 1047 | AA | | BA | 1177 | AA | |
| BA 1050 | AA | | BA | 1180 | AA | |
| BA 1054 | AA | | BA | 1181 | AA | |
| BA 1070 | AA | | BA | 1190 | AA | |
| BA 1091 | BB | | BA | 1191 | AA | |
| BA 1096 | AA | | BA | 1197 | AA | |
| BA 1098 | AB | | BA | 1199 | AB | |
| BA 1100 | AB | | BA | 1200 | AA | |
| BA 1104 | AB | | BA | 1207 | BB | |
| BA 1105 | AB | | BA | 1214 | AA | |
| BA 1108 | AB | | BA | 1224 | AA | |
| BA 1110 | AB | | BA | 1239 | AB | |
| BA 1121 | AA | | BA | 1240 | AA | |
| BA 1126 | AA | | BA | 1262 | AA | |
| BA 1128 | AB | | BA | 1268 | AB | |
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| Number | C6 Genotype | | | Num | ber | C6 Genoty | pe |
| BA 1269 | AB | | | BA | 1415 | AB | |
| BA 1302 | AA | | | BA | 1416 | AA | |
| BA 1304 | AA | | | BA | 1417 | BB | |
| BA 1307 | AB | | | BA | 1418 | AB | |
| BA 1308 | AB | | | BA | 1420 | AB | |
| BA 1309 | AB | | | BA | 1421 | AA | |
| BA 1327 | AB | | | BA | 1422 | AB | |
| BA 1335 | BB | | | BA | 1423 | AB | |
| BA 1336 | AB | | | BA | 1424 | AA | |
| BA 1338 | AB | | | BA | 1425 | AA | |
| BA 1358 | AA | | | BA | 1426 | AA | |
| BA 1362 | AB | | | BA | 1427 | AB | |
| BA 1366 | AB | | | BA | 1428 | BB | |
| BA 1370 | AA | | | BA | 1429 | AB | |
| BA 1373 | AA | | | BA | 1430 | AB | |
| BA 1387 | AB | | | BA | 1431 | AB | |
| BA 1389 | AB | | | BA | 1432 | AB | |
| BA 1390 | AA | | | BA | 1433 | AA | |
| BA 1392 | AB | | | BA | 1434 | AA | |
| BA 1393 | AA | | | BA | 1435 | AA | |
| BA 1396 | AB | | | BA | 1437 | BB | |
| BA 1408 | AB | | | BA | 1439 | AA | , |
| BA 1410 | A1A | | | BA | 1440 | AA | |
| BA 1411 | AB | | | BA | 1441 | AA | |
| BA 1414 | AA | | | BA | 1442 | AA | |

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| Number | C6 Genotype | | Nur | nber | C6 Genotype |
| BA 1443 | AA | | BB | 1140 | AA |
| BA 1444 | AB | | BB | 1142 | BB |
| BA 1445 | AA | | BB | 1163 | AB |
| BA 1446 | AA | | BB | 1190 | AB |
| BA 1447 | AB | | BB | 1194 | AA |
| BA 1448 | BB | | BB | 1200 | AA |
| BA 1449 | AB | | BB | 1207 | AB |
| BA 1450 | AB | | BB | 1231 | AA |
| BA 1451 | BB | | BB | 1235 | BB |
| BA 1452 | AB | | BB | 1271 | AA |
| BA 1453 | AB | | BB | 1273 | AA |
| BA 1454 | AA | | BB | 1321 | AA |
| BA 1455 | AA | | BC | 1018 | AA |
| BA 1456 | AB | | BC | 1045 | AB |
| BA 1457 | AA | | BC | 1050 | AB |
| BA 1458 | AA | | BC | 1051 | AB |
| BA 1459 | AA | | BC | 1122 | AB |
| BB 1023 | AB | | BC | 1163 | AA |
| BB 1045 | AA | | BC | 1185 | AB |
| BB 1086 | BB | | BC | 1186 | AB |
| BB 1097 | BB | | BC | 1187 | AA |
| BB 1115 | AA | | BC | 1189 | AB , |
| BB 1116 | AA | | BC | 1190 | AB |
| BB 1135 | AA | | BC | 1191 | AB |
| BB 1138 | AB | | BC | 1209 | AA |

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| Num | ber | C6 Genotype | | | Nur | nber | C6 Genotype |
| BC | 1210 | AB | | | FS | 1000 | AA |
| BC | 1211 | AA | | | FS | 1001 | BB |
| BC | 1212 | AB | | | FS | 1002 | AB |
| BD | 1003 | AB | | | FS | 1003 | AB |
| BD | 1040 | AA | | | FS | 1004 | AB |
| BD | 1056 | AA | | | FS | 1006 | AB |
| BD | 1061 | AA | | | FS | 1007 | AB |
| BD | 1062 | AA | | | FS | 1008 | AA |
| BD | 1063 | AA | | | FS | 1012 | BB |
| BD | 1078 | AB | | | FS | 1014 | BB |
| BD | 1080 | BB | | | FS | 1019 | AB |
| BD | 1126 | AA | | | FS | 1020 | AB |
| BD | 1144 | AA | | | FS | 1025 | AB |
| BD | 1175 | AB | | | FS | 1026 | AA |
| BD | 1229 | AB | | | FS | 1029 | BB |
| BD | 1230 | AA | | | FS | 1032 | AA |
| BD | 1231 | AB | | | FS | 1033 | AA |
| BD | 1232 | AA | | | FS | 1034 | AB |
| BD | 1233 | AB | | | FS | 1035 | AA |
| BE | 1002 | AB | | | FS | 1036 | AA |
| BE | 1009 | AB | | | FS | 1037 | AA |
| BE | 1032 | AA | | | FS | 1038 | AB , |
| BE | 1096 | AA | | | FS | 1039 | AB |
| BE | 1114 | AB | | | FS | 1040 | AB |
| BE | 1115 | AA | | | FS | 1041 | AA |
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| Number | <u>C6 Genotype</u> | | Nur | nber | C6 Genotype |
| FS 1042 | AB | | FS | 1102 | AA |
| FS 1049 | BB | | FS | 1109 | AA |
| FS 1050 | AB | | FS | 1113 | AB |
| FS 1051 | BB | | FS | 1114 | AB |
| FS 1052 | AB | | FS | 1116 | AIA |
| FS 1053 | AB | | FS | 1117 | AB |
| FS 1054 | AB | | FS | 1126 | AA |
| FS 1056 | AA | | FS | 1129 | BB |
| FS 1057 | AB | | FS | 1130 | BB |
| FS 1059 | AA | | FS | 1131 | AB |
| FS 1060 | AA | | FS | 1132 | AA |
| FS 1061 | AA | | FS | 1136 | AA |
| FS 1062 | AA | | FS | 1137 | AB |
| FS 1065 | AA | | FS | 1138 | AA |
| FS 1066 | BB | | FS | 1139 | AB |
| FS 1069 | AA | | FS | 1140 | AA |
| FS 1070 | AA | | FS | 1142 | AA |
| FS 1073 | AA | | FS | 1144 | AA |
| FS 1074 | AB | | FS | 1156 | AB |
| FS 1081 | AA | | FS | 1160 | AA |
| FS 1083 | AB | | FS | 1171 | AB |
| FS 1084 | BB | | FS | 1176 | AA , |
| FS 1085 | AB | | FS | 1186 | AA |
| FS 1096 | AA | | FS | 1188 | AB |
| FS 1098 | AB | | FS | 1193 | AB |

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| Number | C6 Genotype | | Nur | nber <u>C6</u> | Genotype |
| FS 1096 | AA | | FS | 1278 | AA |
| FS 1197 | AB | | FS | 1281 | AA |
| FS 1206 | AB | | FS | 1287 | AA |
| FS 1207 | AB | | FS | 1295 | AB |
| FS 1229 | AB | | FS | 1300 | AA |
| FS 1238 | AB | | FS | 1302 | AA |
| FS 1239 | AA | | FS | 1303 | AA |
| FS 1242 | AA | | FS | 1304 | AB |
| FS 1243 | AA | | FS | 1305 | AB |
| FS 1244 | AB | | FS | 1306 | AB |
| FS 1245 | AB | | FS | 1313 | BB |
| FS 1250 | AA | | FS | 1315 | AA |
| FS 1251 | AA | | FS | 1316 | AA |
| FS 1256 | AB | | FS | 1317 | AA |
| FS 1257 | AB | | FS | 1319 | AB |
| FS 1258 | AA | | FS | 1320 | AB |
| FS 1259 | AB | | FS | 1321 | AB |
| FS 1266 | AA | | FS | 1322 | AA |
| FS 1267 | AB | | FS | 1323 | AB |
| FS 1270 | AA | | FS | 1324 | AB |
| FS 1271 | AA | | FS | 1325 | BB |
| FS 1272 | AA | | FS | 1326 | AA , |
| FS 1273 | AA | | FS | 1327 | AA |
| FS 1274 | AA | | FS | 1328 | AA |
| FS 1277 | AA | | FS | 1331 | AA |

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| Number | C6 Genotype | Nur | nber <u>C6</u> | Genotype |
| FS 1333 | BB | FS | 1426 | AA |
| FS 1341 | AA | FS | 1427 | AB |
| FS 1346 | AA | FS | 1428 | AA |
| FS 1347 | AA | FS | 1429 | AB |
| FS 1348 | AB | FS | 1430 | AB |
| FS 1349 | AA | FS | 1440 | AA |
| FS 1350 | AA | FS | 1441 | AA |
| FS 1351 | AA | FS | 1442 | AA |
| FS 1353 | AB | FS | 1443 | AB |
| FS 1355 | AB | FS | 1444 | BB |
| FS 1366 | AA | FS | 1445 | AB |
| FS 1367 | AA | FS | 1447 | AB |
| FS 1368 | AA | FS | 1448 | AA . |
| FS 1369 | AA | FS | 1451 | AB |
| FS 1370 | AA | FS | 1452 | AA |
| FS 1371 | AB | FS | 1453 | AA |
| FS 1379 | AB | FS | 1454 | AA |
| FS 1386 | BB | FS | 1455 | AB |
| FS 1406 | BB | FS | 1456 | AB . |
| FS 1407 | AB | FS | 1457 | AA |
| FS 1414 | AB | FS | 1458 | AA |
| FS 1415 | AB | FS | 1459 | AA , |
| FS 1416 | AA | FS | 1460 | AB |
| FS 1417 | AA | FS | 1461 | AA |
| FS 1418 | AA | FS | 1462 | AA |

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| Number | C6 Genotype | | | Nut | nber | C6 Genotype |
| FS 1463 | AA | | | FS | 1497 | AA |
| FS 1464 | AB | | | FS | 1498 | AA |
| FS 1465 | AA | | | FS | 1504 | AA |
| FS 1466 | AB | | | FS | 1506 | AA |
| FS 1467 | AA | | | FS | 1508 | AB |
| FS 1470 | AB | | | FS | 1509 | AA |
| FS 1471 | AA | | | FS | 1514 | AA |
| FS 1472 | BB | | | FS | 1515 | AA |
| FS 1473 | AB | | | FS | 1516 | AB |
| FS 1474 | AA | | | FS | 1519 | AA |
| FS 1476 | AA | | | FS | 1520 | AB |
| FS 1477 | AA | | | FS | 1524 | AB |
| FS 1479 | AA | | | FS | 1532 | AA |
| FS 1480 | AA | | | FS | 1542 | AA |
| FS 1481 | AA | | | FS | 1543 | AB |
| FS 1482 | AA | | | FS | 1545 | AA |
| FS 1484 | AB | | | FS | 1546 | AA |
| FS 1485 | AA | | | FS | 1547 | AB |
| FS 1488 | AA | | | FS | 1548 | AB |
| FS 1489 | AA | | | FS | 1549 | AB |
| FS 1490 | AA | | | FS | 1550 | AB |
| FS 1491 | AA | | | FS | 1551 | AB , |
| FS 1492 | AA | | | FS | 1552 | AA |
| FS 1495 | BB | | | FS | 1553 | AA |
| FS 1496 | AA | | | FS | 1554 | BB |

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| Number | C6 Genotype | Number | C6 Genotype |
| FS 1555 | AA | FS 1588 | AB |
| FS 1556 | AB | FS 1589 | AA |
| FS 1557 | AA | FS 1590 | AA |
| FS 1558 | AB | FS 1591 | AA |
| FS 1559 | AB | FS 1592 | AA |
| FS 1560 | BB | FS 1595 | AB |
| FS 1561 | AA | FS 1596 | BB |
| FS 1562 | AA | FS 1597 | BB |
| FS 1563 | AA | FS 1599 | BB |
| FS 1564 | BB | FS 1603 | BB |
| FS 1565 | AA | FS 1606 | AA |
| FS 1566 | AA | FS 1607 | BB |
| FS 1567 | AA | FS 1608 | BB |
| FS 1568 | AB | FS 1610 | AA |
| FS 1569 | BB | FS 1612 | AA |
| FS 1570 | BB | FS 1613 | BB |
| FS 1572 | AB | FS 1614 | AB |
| FS 1573 | AB | FS 1615 | AA |
| FS 1574 | AB | FS 1616 | AA |
| FS 1575 | AB | FS 1617 | AA |
| FS 1579 | AA | FS 1618 | AB |
| FS 1580 | AB | FS 1620 | AA |
| FS 1581 | BB | FS 1622 | AA |
| FS 1582 | AA | FS 1623 | AA |
| FS 1583 | AA | FS 1626 | AB |

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| Number | C6 Genotype | | Nu | mber | C6 Genotype |
| FS 1627 | AA | | FS | 1659 | AA |
| FS 1628 | AA | | FS | 1660 | AB |
| FS 1629 | AA | | FS | 1661 | AB |
| FS 1630 | AA | | FS | 1662 | AA |
| FS 1631 | AB | | FS | 1663 | AB |
| FS 1632 | AB | | FS | 1664 | BB |
| FS 1635 | AA | | FS | 1665 | AA |
| FS 1636 | AA | | FS | 1666 | AB |
| FS 1637 | AA | | FS | 1667 | AB |
| FS 1638 | AA | | FS | 1669 | AB |
| FS 1639 | BB | | FS | 1670 | AB |
| FS 1640 | AB | | FS | 1673 | AA |
| FS 1642 | AA | | FS | 1674 | BB |
| FS 1643 | AB | | FS | 1676 | BB |
| FS 1644 | AA | | FS | 1681 | AA |
| FS 1645 | BB | | FS | 1686 | AB |
| FS 1646 | BB | | FS | 1689 | AA |
| FS 1647 | AA | | FS | 1690 | AA |
| FS 1651 | AA | | FS | 1691 | AA |
| FS 1652 | AB | | FS | 1692 | AA |
| FS 1653 | AB | | FS | 1693 | AA |
| FS 1654 | AA | | FS | 1694 | AA , |
| FS 1655 | AB | | FS | 1695 | AA |
| FS 1656 | AA | | FS | 1696 | AA |
| FS 1657 | AA | | FS | 1697 | AA |
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| Number | <u>C6 Genotype</u> | | Nur | nber | C6 Genotype | |
| FS 1698 | AA | | FS | 1766 | AB | |
| FS 1699 | BB | | FS | 1767 | AA | |
| FS 1700 | AA | | FS | 1772 | AA | |
| FS 1704 | BB | | FS | 1776 | AA | |
| FS 1705 | AB | | FS | 1779 | AA | |
| FS 1706 | BB | | FS | 1780 | AA | |
| FS 1719 | AA | | FS | 1781 | AB | |
| FS 1720 | BB | | FS | 1782 | AB | |
| FS 1723 | AA | | FS | 1784 | AA | |
| FS 1727 | AA | | FS | 1786 | AA | |
| FS 1728 | AA | | FS | 1787 | AA | |
| FS 1733 | AA | | FS | 1788 | AA | |
| FS 1734 | AB | | FS | 1792 | AB | |
| FS 1739 | AA | | FS | 1793 | AB | |
| FS 1742 | AA | | FS | 1794 | AB | |
| FS 1745 | AB | | FS | 1795 | AA | |
| FS 1746 | AB | | FS | 1796 | AA | |
| FS 1748 | AA | | FS | 1797 | AB | |
| FS 1749 | BB | | FS | 1798 | AA | |
| FS 1758 | AB | | FS | 1799 | AA | |
| FS 1761 | AB | | FS | 1800 | AA | |
| FS 1762 | AA | | FS | 1801 | AA , | |
| FS 1763 | AB | | FS | 1802 | AA | |
| FS 1764 | AA | | FS | 1806 | AB | |
| FS 1765 | AB | | FS | 1807 | AB | |

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| Nun | nber | <u>C6 Genotype</u> | | | Nur | nber | <u>C6 Genotype</u> |
| FS | 1808 | AB | | | FS | 1842 | AA |
| FS | 1809 | AB | | | FS | 1843 | AA |
| FS | 1811 | AB | | | FS | 1844 | AA |
| FS | 1812 | AB | | | FS | 1845 | AA |
| FS | 1814 | AA | | | FS | 1846 | AB |
| FS | 1815 | AA | | | FS | 1847 | AB |
| FS | 1816 | AA | | | FS | 1848 | AB |
| FS | 1817 | AA | | | FS | 1849 | BB |
| FS | 1819 | AB | | | FS | 1850 | AB |
| FS | 1820 | AA | | | FS | 1851 | AB |
| FS | 1821 | AB | | | FS | 1858 | AA |
| FS | 1822 | BB | | | FS | 1860 | AA |
| FS | 1823 | AB | | | FS | 1863 | BB |
| FS | 1824 | AA | | | FS | 1864 | AB |
| FS | 1825 | AB | | | FS | 1865 | AB |
| FS | 1826 | AB | | | FS | 1866 | AB |
| FS | 1827 | BB | | | FS | 1871 | BB |
| FS | 1828 | BB | | | FS | 1872 | BB |
| FS | 1829 | AB | | | FS | 1874 | AA |
| FS | 1830 | BB | | | FS | 1881 | AA |
| FS | 1834 | AB | | | FS | 1882 | AA |
| FS | 1835 | AB | | | FS | 1885 | BB , |
| FS | 1836 | AB | | | FS | 1886 | AB |
| FS | 1837 | AB | | | FS | 1887 | AB |
| FS | 1839 | AA | | | FS | 1889 | BB |
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| Nun | ber | C6 Genotype | Nu | mber | C6 Genotype |
| FS | 1891 | AB | FS | 1966 | AA |
| FS | 1892 | AB | FS | 1967 | AA |
| FS | 1893 | AA | FS | 1968 | AA |
| FS | 1894 | AA | FS | 1969 | AA |
| FS | 1897 | AB | FS | 1970 | AA |
| FS | 1899 | BB | FS | 1971 | AA |
| FS | 1911 | AB | FS | 1973 | AB |
| FS | 1915 | AA | FS | 1974 | AB |
| FS | 1916 | AB | FS | 1975 | BB |
| FS | 1917 | AB | FS | 1975 | BB |
| FS | 1923 | AA | FS | 1976 | BB |
| FS | 1929 | AA | FS | 1981 | AA |
| FS | 1930 | AB | FS | 1982 | AB |
| FS | 1931 | AB | FS | 1983 | AB |
| FS | 1932 | AB | FS | 1984 | AA |
| FS | 1933 | BB | FS | 1985 | AA |
| FS | 1934 | AB | FS | 1986 | BB |
| FS | 1935 | AB | FS | 1988 | AB |
| FS | 1936 | BB . | FS | 1989 | AA |
| FS | 1941 | AA | FS | 1992 | AA |
| FS | 1942 | AA | FS | 1993 | AA |
| FS | 1952 | AB | FS | 1995 | AA , |
| FS | 1953 | AB | FS | 1996 | AB |
| FS | 1954 | AB | FS | 1997 | AA |
| FS | 1955 | AB | FS | 1998 | AA |

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| Number | C6 Genotype | | | Nun | aber | C6 Genoty | pe |
| FS 1999 | AA | | | FS | 2050 | AA | |
| FS 2000 | AB | | | FS | 2051 | AA | |
| FS 2003 | AA | | | FS | 2052 | AA | |
| FS 2004 | BB | | | FS | 2053 | AB | |
| FS 2005 | AB | | | FS | 2054 | AA | |
| FS 2011 | AA | | | FS | 2055 | AA | |
| FS 2012 | AB | | | FS | 2056 | AA | |
| FS 2013 | BB | | | FS | 2057 | AA | |
| FS 2014 | AA | | | FS | 2061 | AA | |
| FS 2015 | AA | | | FS | 2062 | AA | |
| FS 2017 | AB | | | FS | 2063 | AA | |
| FS 2018 | AA | | | FS | 2064 | AA | |
| FS 2019 | AB | | | FS | 2065 | BB | |
| FS 2020 | AB | | | FS | 2066 | AB | |
| FS 2029 | AA | | | FS | 2067 | BB | |
| FS 2030 | AB | | | FS | 2069 | AB | |
| FS 2033 | AA | | | FS | 2072 | AB | |
| FS 2035 | AA | | | FS | 2073 | AA | |
| FS 2036 | AA | | | FS | 2074 | AA | |
| FS 2039 | AB | | | FS | 2075 | AB | |
| FS 2040 | AA | | | FS | 2076 | AB | |
| FS 2041 | AA | | | FS | 2077 | AB | , |
| FS 2042 | AB | | | FS | 2078 | AB | |
| FS 2044 | BB | | | FS | 2081 | BB | |
| FS 2048 | AA | | | FS | 2088 | AA | |
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| Number | C6 Genotype | | Nur | mber | C6 Genotype |
| FS 2089 | AA | | FS | 2132 | BB |
| FS 2090 | AB1 | | FS | 2133 | BB |
| FS 2091 | AA | | FS | 3134 | BB |
| FS 2092 | AA | | FS | 3135 | BB |
| FS 2098 | AA | | FS | 2136 | BB |
| FS 2099 | AB | | FS | 2137 | BB |
| FS 2100 | AA | | FS | 2139 | AB |
| FS 2102 | AA | | FS | 2140 | AB |
| FS 2106 | BB | | FS | 2141 | AB |
| FS 2107 | AB | | FS | 2156 | AB |
| FS 2108 | BB | | FS | 2157 | AB |
| FS 2110 | AB | | FS | 2158 | AB |
| FS 2111 | AB | | FS | 2159 | AA |
| FS 2114 | AA | | FS | 2160 | AA |
| FS 2115 | AB | | FS | 2161 | BB |
| FS 2116 | AA | | FS | 2162 | AA |
| FS 2118 | AA | | FS | 2163 | AA |
| FS 2119 | BB | | FS | 2168 | AA |
| FS 2120 | AA | | FS | 2169 | AA |
| FS 2121 | AA | | FS | 2170 | AB |
| FS 2122 | AA | | FS | 2171 | AA |
| FS 2123 | A1B | | FS | 2172 | AA , |
| FS 2125 | AA | | FS | 2173 | AB |
| FS 2126 | AA | | FS | 2174 | AB |
| FS 2131 | BB | | FS | 2175 | AB |

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| Number | C6 Genotype | | | Nur | nber | <u>C6 0</u> | enotyp | e |
| FS 2176 | AA | | | FS | 2238 | | AB | |
| FS 2179 | BB | | | FS | 2239 | | AA | |
| FS 2183 | AA | | | FS | 2240 | | AA | |
| FS 2189 | BB | | | FS | 2243 | | AA | |
| FS 2190 | AA | | | FS | 2244 | | AA | |
| FS 2191 | AA | | | FS | 2245 | | AB | |
| FS 2192 | AB | | | FS | 2246 | | AB | |
| FS 2193 | AA | | | FS | 2247 | | AIA | |
| FS 2194 | AA | | | FS | 2248 | | AA | |
| FS 2195 | BB | | | FS | 2249 | | AB | |
| FS 2206 | BB | | | FS | 2250 | | AA | |
| FS 2207 | AA | | | FS | 2251 | | AIA | |
| FS 2208 | AB1 | | | FS | 2252 | | AA | |
| FS 2219 | AB | | | FS | 2254 | | AB | |
| FS 2222 | AA | | | FS | 2256 | | AB | |
| FS 2225 | AB | | | FS | 2257 | | AB | |
| FS 2226 | AB | | | FS | 2258 | | AA | |
| FS 2227 | BB | | | FS | 2259 | | AB | |
| FS 2228 | AA | | | FS | 2260 | | AA | |
| FS 2232 | AA | | | FS | 2261 | | AA | |
| FS 2233 | BB | | | FS | 2262 | | AA | |
| FS 2234 | AA | | | FS | 2266 | | AA | , |
| FS 2235 | BB | | | FS | 2272 | | AA | |
| FS 2236 | AA | | | FS | 2277 | | AA | |
| FS 2237 | AA | | | FS | 2285 | | AA | |
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| Number | C6 Genotype | | Nu | mber | C6 Genotype |
| FS 2286 | AA | | FS | 2319 | AB |
| FS 2287 | AB | | FS | 2320 | AA |
| FS 2288 | AIA | | FS | 2321 | AA |
| FS 2289 | A1A | | FS | 2322 | AA |
| FS 2295 | AA | | FS | 2325 | AB |
| FS 2297 | AB | | FS | 2327 | AA |
| FS 2298 | AA | | FS | 2335 | AA |
| FS 2299 | AA | | FS | 2336 | AA |
| FS 2300 | AA | | FS | 2337 | AB |
| FS 2301 | AB | | FS | 2338 | AA |
| FS 2302 | AA | | FS | 2339 | AA |
| FS 2304 | AB | | FS | 2340 | AB |
| FS 2305 | AA | | FS | 2348 | AB |
| FS 2306 | AA | | FS | 2350 | AA |
| FS 2307 | AA | | FS | 2353 | AA |
| FS 2308 | AA | | FS | 2357 | AA |
| FS 2309 | AA | | FS | 2359 | AA |
| FS 2310 | AA | | FS | 2360 | AA |
| FS 2311 | AB | | FS | 2361 | AA |
| FS 2312 | A1A | | FS | 2362 | AA |
| FS 2313 | AA | | FS | 2364 | AA |
| FS 2314 | AA | | FS | 2365 | AA , |
| FS 2316 | AA | | FS | 2366 | AA |
| FS 2317 | AB | | FS | 2368 | AB |
| FS 2318 | AA | | FS | 2369 | AA |
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| Numbe | c <u>C6 Genotype</u> | | Nur | nber | C6 Genotype |
| FS 23 | 70 AA | | FS | 2402 | AB |
| FS 23 | 71 AA | | FS | 2403 | AA |
| FS 23 | 72 AA | | FS | 2404 | AA |
| FS 23 | 73 AA | | FS | 2405 | AB |
| FS 23 | 74 AA | | FS | 2406 | AA |
| FS 23 | 75 AA | | FS | 2407 | AA |
| FS 23 | 76 AA | | FS | 2408 | AA |
| FS 23 | 77 AA | | FS | 2409 | BB |
| FS 23 | 79 AA | | FS | 2410 | BB |
| FS 23 | 84 AA | | FS | 2411 | BB |
| FS 23 | 85 AB | | FS | 2414 | BB |
| FS 23 | 86 AA | | FS | 2415 | AB |
| FS 23 | 87 AB | | FS | 2417 | BB |
| FS 23 | 88 AB | | FS | 2418 | AB |
| FS 23 | 89 AA | | FS | 2419 | BB |
| FS 23 | 90 AB | | FS | 2420 | BB |
| FS 23 | 91 AB | | FS | 2421 | AB |
| FS 23 | 92 AA | | FS | 2422 | AA |
| FS 23 | 93 AA | | FS | 2423 | AB |
| FS 23 | 96 AA | | FS | 2424 | BB |
| FS 23 | 97 AB | | FS | 2425 | AB |
| FS 23 | 98 AB | | FS | 2427 | AA , |
| FS 23 | 99 AA | | FS | 2428 | AA |
| FS 24 | 00 AB | | FS | 2431 | AA |
| FS 24 | 01 AA | | FS | 2432 | AA |

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| Number | C6 Genotype | | <u>1</u> | umber | C6 Genotype |
| FS 2433 | AA | | F | S 250 | B BB |
| FS 2435 | AB | | I | S 2504 | 4 AA |
| FS 2436 | AA | | I | S 2508 | 3 AA |
| FS 2441 | AA | | I | S 251 | 3 AA |
| FS 2443 | AB | | I | S 2514 | AA AA |
| FS 2445 | AA | | I | S 251 | 5 AA |
| FS 2446 | AA | | I | S 251 | 5 AA |
| FS 2447 | AA | | I | S 2518 | B AA |
| FS 2448 | BB | | I | S 2520 | D AB |
| FS 2449 | AA | | I | S 252 | L AB |
| FS 2450 | BB | | I | S 252 | 2 AB |
| FS 2455 | BB | | I | S 252 | 3 AB |
| FS 2456 | BB | | I | S 2534 | A1A |
| FS 2464 | AB | | I | S 253 | 5 AA |
| FS 2465 | AA | | I | 'S 253 | 5 A1A |
| FS 2476 | AB | | I | 'S 254 | L AB |
| FS 2477 | AA | | I | 'S 254: | 2 AB |
| FS 2478 | BB | | I | S 2548 | B AB |
| FS 2486 | BB | | I | S 2554 | AB . |
| FS 2487 | AB | | I | S 255 | 9 AB |
| FS 2495 | AA | | I | 'S 2560 | D AB |
| FS 2499 | BB | | I | 'S 256 | l AB , |
| FS 2500 | BB | | I | 'S 256: | 2 AA |
| FS 2501 | AB | | I | 'S 256: | 3 AB |
| FS 2502 | AA | | 1 | 'S 2564 | 4 AA |
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| Nur | nber | C6 Genotype | | Nu | mber | C6 Genotype |
| FS | 2565 | AB | | FS | 2622 | AA |
| FS | 2566 | AA | | FS | 2623 | AB |
| FS | 2567 | AA | | FS | 2624 | BB |
| FS | 2571 | AA | | FS | 2625 | AB |
| FS | 2573 | AB | | FS | 2628 | AA |
| FS | 2574 | AA | | FS | 2632 | AB |
| FS | 2575 | AA | | FS | 2633 | BB |
| FS | 2585 | AB | | FS | 2634 | AB |
| FS | 2587 | AA | | FS | 2635 | BB |
| FS | 2588 | BB | | FS | 2639 | AB |
| FS | 2593 | AB | | FS | 2640 | BB |
| FS | 2594 | AA | | FS | 2641 | AB |
| FS | 2595 | BB | | FS | 2642 | AB |
| FS | 2598 | AA | | FS | 2643 | BB |
| FS | 2600 | AB | | FS | 2644 | AB |
| FS | 2603 | AA | | FS | 2646 | AB |
| FS | 2613 | AB | | FS | 2647 | AB |
| FS | 2614 | AB | | FS | 2648 | BB |
| FS | 2615 | AA | | FS | 2649 | AB |
| FS | 2616 | AA | | FS | 2650 | AB |
| FS | 2617 | AA | | FS | 2651 | AA |
| FS | 2618 | AA | | FS | 2664 | AB , |
| FS | 2619 | AA | | FS | 2665 | AA |
| FS | 2620 | AA | | FS | 2666 | AA |
| FS | 2621 | AA | | FS | 2667 | AA |

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| Number | C6 Genotype | Nur | nber C6 | Genotype |
| FS 2679 | AA | FS | 2727 | AA |
| FS 2680 | AB | FS | 2732 | AA |
| FS 2681 | AB | FS | 2748 | AB |
| FS 2686 | AA | FS | 2749 | AA |
| FS 2687 | AA | FS | 2750 | AB1 |
| FS 2691 | AB | FS | 2751 | AA |
| FS 2692 | AB | FS | 2752 | AB1 |
| FS 2694 | BB | FS | 2753 | AB1 |
| FS 2698 | AB | FS | 2756 | AA |
| FS 2704 | AA | FS | 2770 | BB |
| FS 2705 | AA | FS | 2771 | AB |
| FS 2706 | AA | FS | 2772 | AA |
| FS 2707 | AA | FS | 2773 | AB |
| FS 2708 | AA | FS | 2783 | AA |
| FS 2709 | AB | FS | 2784 | AA |
| FS 2710 | AA | FS | 2785 | AA |
| FS 2711 | AB | FS | 2788 | AB |
| FS 2712 | AB | FS | 2791 | AA |
| FS 2713 | AA | FS | 2792 | AA |
| FS 2715 | AB | FS | 2793 | AA |
| FS 2716 | AA | FS | 2794 | AA |
| FS 2717 | AB | FS | 2795 | AA , |
| FS 2718 | AA | FS | 2796 | AA |
| FS 2723 | AA | FS | 2797 | AB |
| FS 2724 | AA | FS | 2798 | AB |

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| Numb | ber | C6 Genotype | | Nur | nber | C6 Genotype |
| FS 2 | 2799 | AA | | FS | 2842 | AA |
| FS 2 | 2800 | BB | | FS | 2843 | AA |
| FS 2 | 2801 | AA | | FS | 2844 | AA |
| FS 2 | 2803 | AA | | FS | 2848 | BB |
| FS 2 | 2804 | AA | | FS | 2855 | AA |
| FS 2 | 2805 | BB | | FS | 2856 | AA |
| FS 2 | 2806 | AA | | FS | 2857 | AA |
| FS 2 | 2807 | BB | | FS | 2859 | AB |
| FS 2 | 2808 | AB | | FS | 2860 | AA |
| FS 2 | 2809 | AA | | FS | 2861 | AA |
| FS 2 | 2810 | AB | | FS | 2862 | AA |
| FS 2 | 2811 | AA | | FS | 2863 | AA |
| FS 2 | 2812 | AB | | FS | 2864 | AA |
| FS 2 | 2813 | BB | | FS | 2865 | AA |
| FS 2 | 2830 | AA | | FS | 2866 | AA |
| FS 2 | 2831 | AA | | FS | 2867 | AB |
| FS 2 | 2832 | AB | | FS | 2868 | AB |
| FS 2 | 2833 | AB | | FS | 2869 | AB |
| FS 2 | 2834 | AB | | FS | 2870 | AA . |
| FS 2 | 2835 | AA | | FS | 2872 | AA |
| FS 2 | 2836 | BB | | FS | 2873 | AA |
| FS 2 | 2837 | BB | | FS | 2874 | AA , |
| FS 2 | 2838 | AB | | FS | 2875 | AB |
| FS 2 | 2839 | AB | | FS | 2876 | AB |
| FS 2 | 2841 | AB | | FS | 2877 | AB |

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| Number | C6 Genotype | | Nur | nber | C6 Genotype |
| FS 2878 | AA | | FS | 2921 | BB |
| FS 2879 | AB | | FS | 2923 | AA |
| FS 2880 | AB | | FS | 2924 | AA |
| FS 2881 | AA | | FS | 2925 | AA |
| FS 2882 | AA | | FS | 2926 | AA |
| FS 2883 | AB | | FS | 2929 | AB |
| FS 2884 | AA | | FS | 2930 | AB |
| FS 2889 | AA | | FS | 2933 | AA |
| FS 2890 | BB | | FS | 2934 | AA |
| FS 2891 | AB | | FS | 2935 | AA |
| FS 2892 | AA | | FS | 2936 | AB |
| FS 2893 | AB | | FS | 2937 | AA |
| FS 2894 | AA | | FS | 2948 | AA |
| FS 2895 | AA | | FS | 2949 | AB |
| FS 2897 | AA | | FS | 2952 | AA |
| FS 2902 | AB | | FS | 2953 | AA |
| FS 2903 | AB | | FS | 2954 | AB |
| FS 2904 | AA | | FS | 2955 | AB |
| FS 2905 | AA | | FS | 2956 | AB . |
| FS 2906 | AA | | FS | 2957 | AB |
| FS 2907 | BB | | FS | 2958 | AA |
| FS 2911 | BB | | FS | 2959 | AA , |
| FS 2912 | AA | | FS | 2960 | AA |
| FS 2913 | BB | | FS | 2962 | AA |
| FS 2920 | AB | | FS | 2963 | AB |

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| Num | ber | C6 Genotype | Number | <u>C6 Genotype</u> | |
| FS | 2964 | AB | FS 30 | 01 AB | |
| FS | 2965 | AA | FS 31 | 06 AA | |
| FS | 2966 | AA | | | |
| FS | 2967 | AA | | | |
| FS | 2968 | AA | | | |
| FS | 2969 | AA | | | |
| FS | 2970 | AA | | | |
| FS | 2971 | AA | | | |
| FS | 2972 | AB | | | |
| FS | 2973 | AA | | | |
| FS | 2974 | AB | | | |
| FS | 2975 | AA | | | |
| FS | 2976 | BB | | | |
| FS | 2978 | AB | | | |
| FS | 2984 | AA | | | |
| FS | 2986 | AA | | | |
| FS | 2987 | AA | | | |
| FS | 2988 | AA | | | |
| FS | 2989 | AA | | 6 AA - | |
| FS | 2992 | AB | | | |
| FS | 2993 | AB | | | |
| FS | 2994 | AB | | ۹ <u>۸۸</u> ۹ | |
| FS | 2997 | AA | | | |
| FS | 2998 | AA | | | |
| FS | 2999 | AA | | | |
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| Number | C6 Genotype | Number | C6 Genotype |
| L100 | AB | L127 | AA |
| L101 | AB | L128 | AA |
| L102 | AB | L129 | AA |
| L103 | AB | L130 | AA |
| L104 | AB | L131 | AA |
| L105 | AB | L132 | AA |
| L106 | AB | L133 | AA |
| L107 | AB | L134 | AA |
| L108 | AB | L135 | AA |
| L110 | AA | L136 | AA |
| L111 | AA | L137 | AA |
| L112 | AB | L138 | AA |
| L113 | AA | L139 | AA |
| L114 | AB | L140 | AA |
| L115 | AB | L141 | AA |
| L116 | AB | L142 | AA |
| L117 | AA | L143 | AA |
| L118 | AA | L145 | AA |
| L119 | AA | L146 | AA |
| L120 | AA | L147 | AB |
| L121 | AA | L148 | AA |
| L122 | AA | L149 | AA ' |
| L123 | AB | L150 | AA |
| L125 | AA | L151 | AB |
| L126 | AA | L152 | AB |
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| | Labrador | Myotonic Dystrophy | Family | Results |
|--------|-------------|--------------------|--------|-------------|
| Number | C6 Genotype | | Number | C6 Genotype |
| L155 | AB | | L181 | AA |
| L156 | AA | | L182 | AA |
| L157 | AB | | L184 | AA |
| L158 | AA | | L185 | AB |
| L159 | AB | | L186 | AA |
| L160 | AB | | L187 | AA |
| L161 | AB | | L188 | AA |
| L162 | AA | | L190 | AA |
| L163 | AA | | L191 | AA |
| L164 | AA | | L192 | AA |
| L165 | AB | | L193 | AA |
| L166 | AA | | L194 | AA |
| L168 | AA | | L195 | AB |
| L169 | AA | | L196 | AB |
| L170 | AA | | L197 | AA |
| L171 | AA | | L198 | AA |
| L172 | AA | | L199 | BB |
| L173 | AA | | L200 | AB |
| L174 | AA | | L201 | AB |
| L175 | AA | | L203 | AA |
| L176 | AA | | L204 | AA |
| L177 | AA | | L205 | AB , |
| L178 | AA | | L207 | AB . |
| L179 | AA | | L209 | AB |
| L180 | AA | | L210 | AB |

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| Number | C6 Genotype | Number | C6 Geno |
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| L214 | AA | | |
| L215 | AB | | |
| L219 | AA | | |
| L223 | AA | | |
| L226 | AA | | |
| L227 | AB | | |
| L231 | AA | | |
| L241 | AB | | |
| L243 | AB | | |
| L246 | AA | | |

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