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J2a-Beta cluster (\pm J L24+,L25+)

J2a4h (FTDNA Nomenclature, March 2009)

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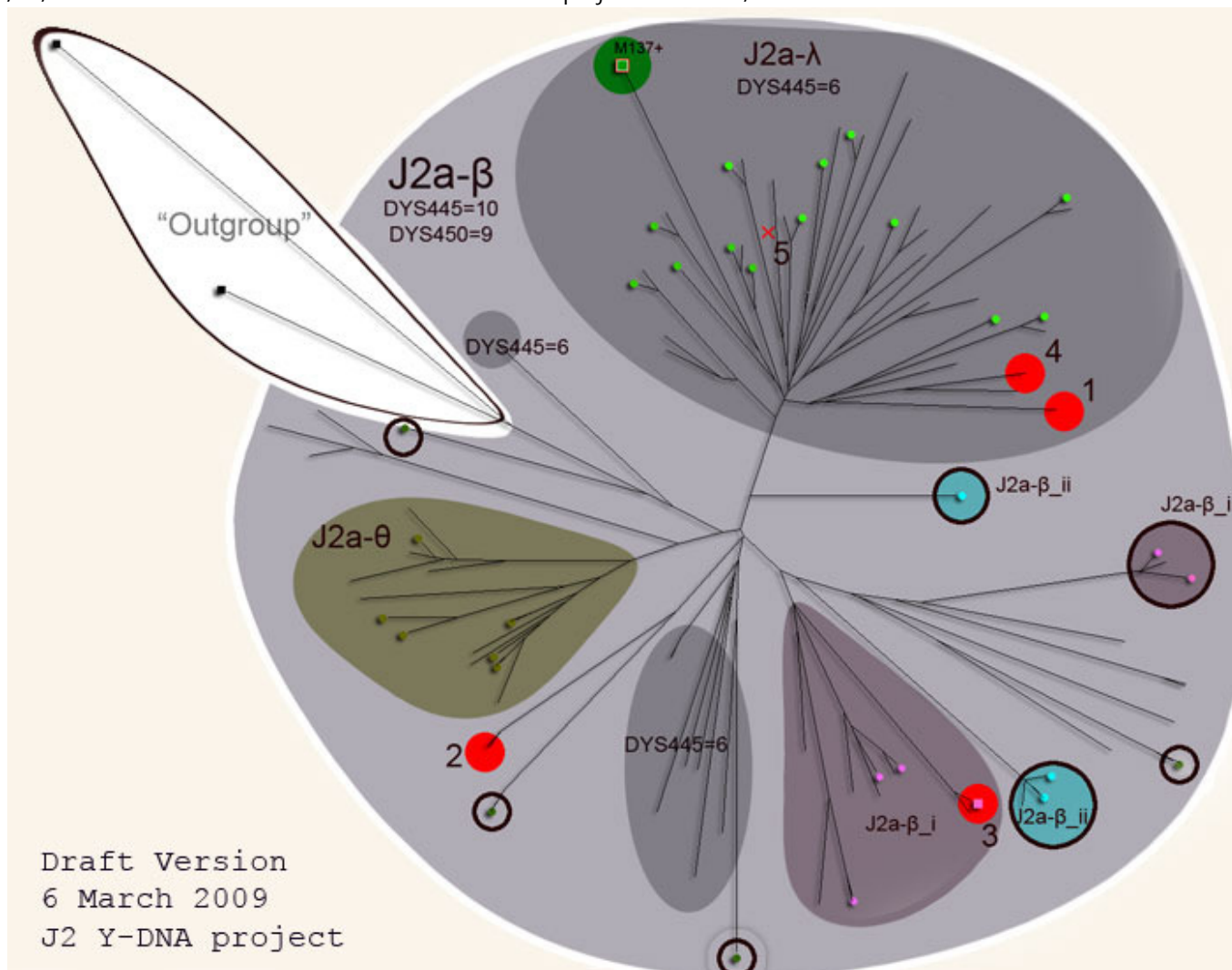
Recently it was discovered that two new SNP markers (included in the series of markers tested by 23andme) appear to be correlated with J2a-Beta cluster. There is a third marker which will be available in the future that appears to be correlated with J2a-Lambda cluster (which is within the DYS445=6 grouping). Not all people with DYS445=6 will be positive for this new marker but those within J2a-Lambda cluster probably are.

J2a-Beta cluster was first identified by the J2 Y-DNA project in February 2007, in its [phase three analysis](#) which identified various clusters based on 37 markers. In April 2007, the J2 Y-DNA project noted that individuals in J2a-Beta cluster have DYS450=9, DYS445=10, and hypothesized that J2a-Lambda cluster was a sub-cluster of J2a-Beta cluster.

So far all people who have been tested positive for both of these markers are in J2a-Beta cluster and all people who are negative for both these markers fall outside of J2a-Beta cluster.

According to Thomas Krahn's [working tree of haplogroup J](#), one person has been found who is positive for L24 but not L25, thus we can conclude that L24 occurred first. This person is positive for a new mutation, called L84. **It is not yet known whether this person falls within J2a-Beta cluster or outside J2a-Beta cluster. Currently they have only 25 markers, and on the basis of those markers it is possible that they fall outside of J2a-Beta cluster, which might mean that L24 is broader than J2a-Beta, and it may be L25 which correlates more closely to J2a-Beta cluster. It would be interesting to see how the haplotype for this individual would look at 67 markers.**

The clustering within J2a-Beta is seen best with 67 markers. This diagram contains 67 marker haplotypes with a DYS 450 value of 9. Those individuals with a DYS 450 value of 9 by convergence (ie. are outside of J2a-Beta cluster) act as the "outgroup".



The individuals who have tested with 23andme are in red, and are numbered. #5 does not have 67 markers, so the approximate position (based on where it is positioned at 37 markers) is marked with a cross.

The two new cluster names (J2a-β_i and J2a-β_{ii}) are based on preliminary analyses done in October 2008 with 37 markers. These 67 marker results indicate that the definition of J2a-β_i will need to be revised slightly, and that J2a-β_{ii} might be an artificial cluster.

The haplotype nodes that have a brown/red ring around them, are the haplotypes that I identify as those that are of the highest priority to test. This diagram is just a draft version, and will be updated with more detail in the future.



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