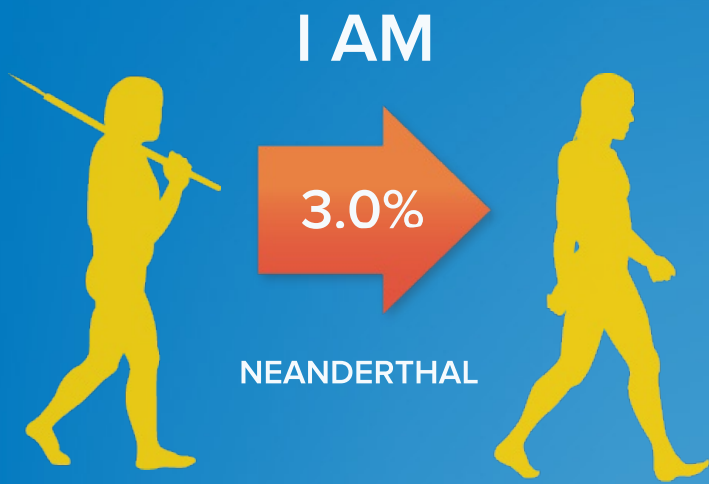


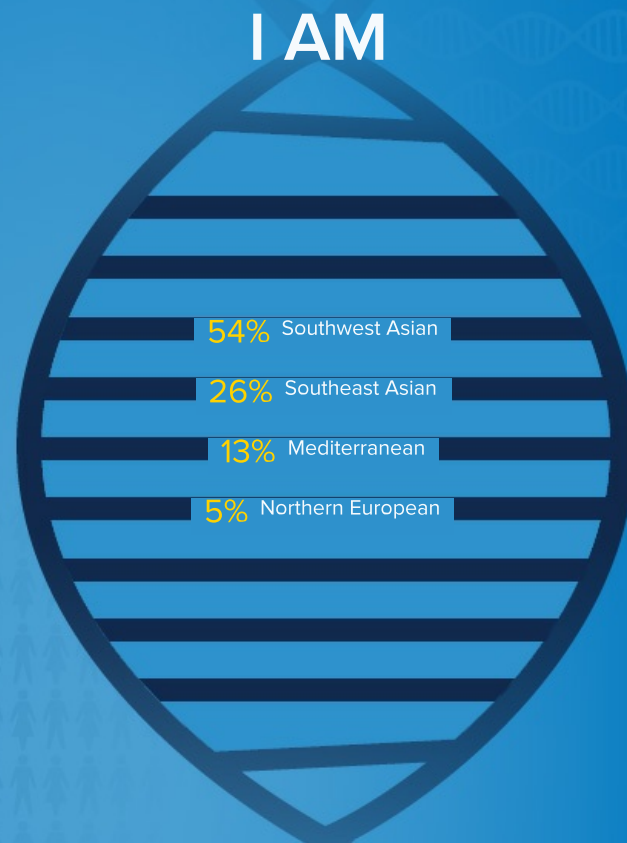
I joined National Geographic's Genographic Project to map the human journey and its scientists ran a cutting-edge test of my DNA.



Here is what I learned about my ancient ancestry:



As humans were first migrating out of Africa more than 60,000 years ago, Neanderthals were still living in Eurasia. It seems our ancestors hit it off, leaving a small trace of these ancient relatives in my DNA.



I AM  
1 of 705,343  
PARTICIPANTS

## MY MAP

### MY MATERNAL LINEAGE BEGAN ABOUT 150,000 YEARS AGO.

My maternal ancestors traveled out of Africa and along the coastline of Asia toward Indonesia. Many of my cousins continued until they reached Australia. They founded the Aboriginal population there. My maternal branch is M52'58



### MY PATERNAL LINEAGE BEGAN AT LEAST 180,000 YEARS AGO.

My paternal ancestors were some of the earliest people to settle South Asia. This includes modern India and Pakistan. I have cousins among the Tharu of Nepal. They live through a combination of agriculture and gathering resources from the forests. My line is also present in the Romani people, who have an oral tradition tracing back to India. My paternal branch is H-M82



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