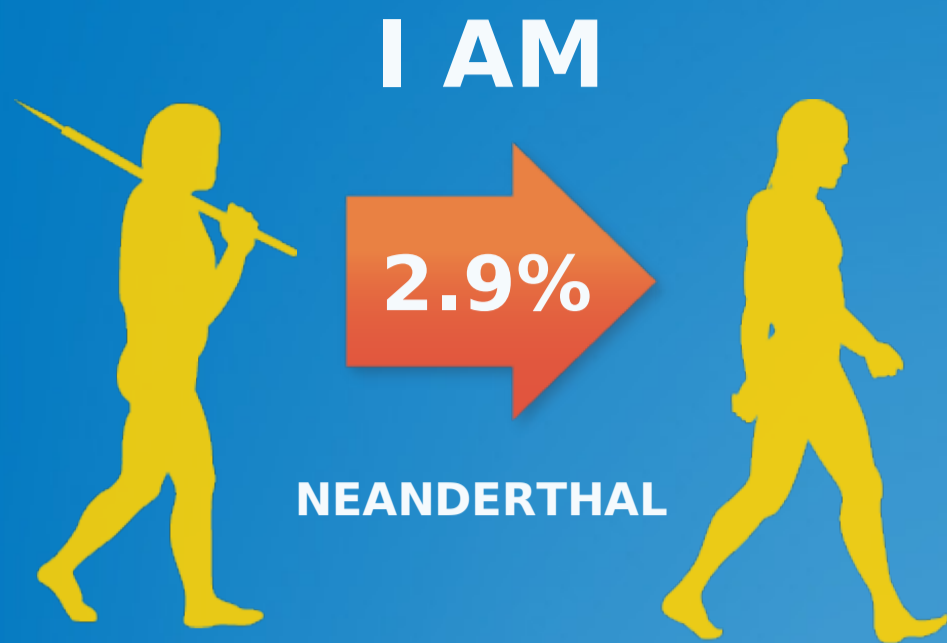


I joined National Geographic's Genographic Project to map the human journey and its scientists ran a cutting-edge test of my DNA.

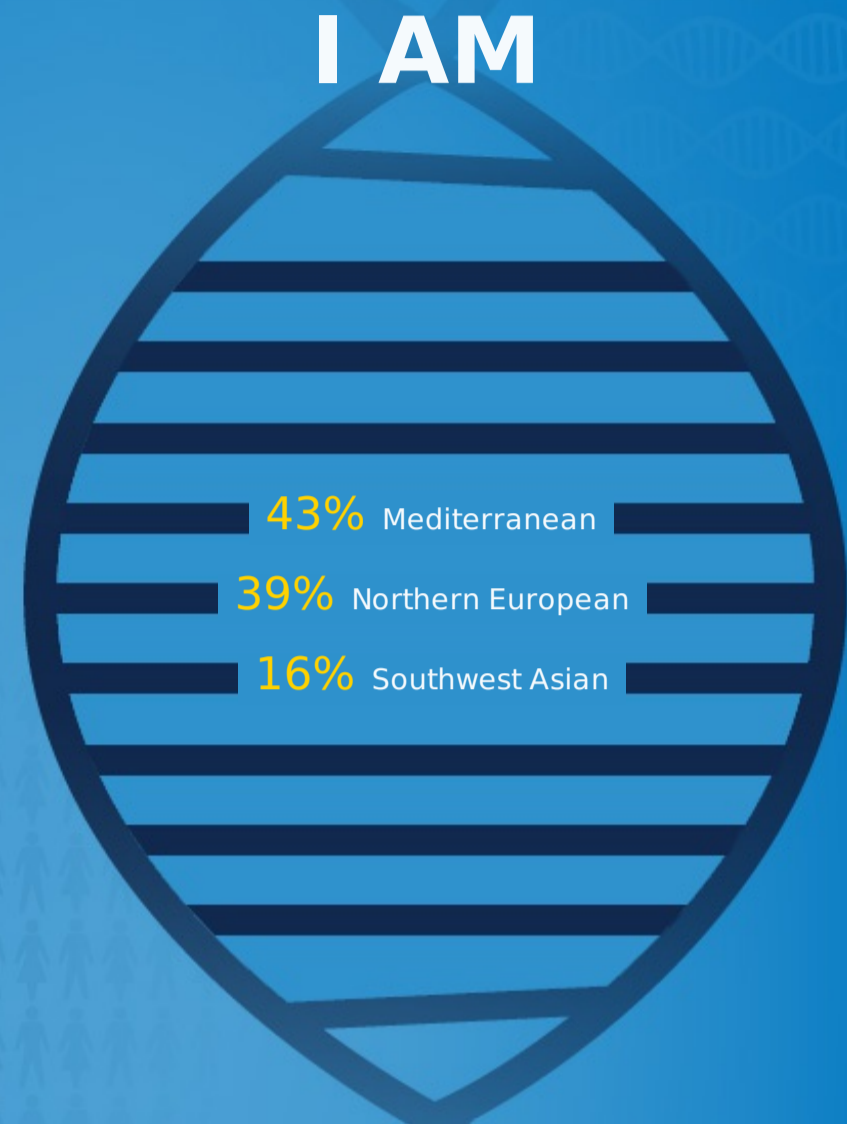
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Here is what I learned about my ancient ancestry:



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 600,881
PARTICIPANTS



MY MAP

MY MATERNAL LINEAGE BEGAN

My maternal ancestors carried farming culture from the region of the Fertile Crescent into Europe. This revolutionized not only the way food was grown but introduced a shift from a nomadic lifestyle to a settled one. Changes to tools, pottery, and weapons may not otherwise have been possible. Thus, my cousins have played an important role in the history of the Fertile Crescent region and of Europe.

My maternal branch is HV0e



MY PATERNAL LINEAGE BEGAN

My paternal ancestors journeyed into Central Asia. Hunters of megafauna such as the woolly mammoth on the open steppe, they followed their prey with the seasons. Though the big game later became extinct, my cousins still live as nomadic herders in these lands.

My paternal branch is R-Z36



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