

Hardy-Weinberg Equation Assignment

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In a human population of 1000 members, the alleles I^A , I^B and I^O represent the blood groups. If the frequency of I^B and I^O are 0.3 and 0.5 respectively,

Problem 1

Find out the frequency of I^A

Solution: Let the frequency of I^A be “p”, frequency of I^B be “q” and frequency of I^O be “r”.

According to the Allele frequencies equation:

$$\begin{aligned}p + q + r &= 1 \\q &= 0.3, r = 0.5 \\ \implies p + 0.3 + 0.5 &= 1 \\p + 0.8 &= 1 \\p &= 0.2\end{aligned}$$

Therefore the frequency of I^A allele = $p = 0.2$

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Problem 2

Find out the number of individuals with Homozygous A group.

Solution: The total genotype frequency is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}(p + q + r)^2 &= 1 \\p^2 + q^2 + r^2 + 2pq + 2pr + 2qr &= 1\end{aligned}$$

For homozygous A group, the frequency is p^2

Therefore the number of individuals with Homozygous A group that is $I^A I^A$ is:

$$\begin{aligned}p^2 \times 1000 \\&= 0.04 \times 1000 \\&= 40\end{aligned}$$

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Problem 3

Find out the number of individuals with Heterozygous A group

Solution: The total genotype frequency is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}(p + q + r)^2 &= 1 \\ p^2 + q^2 + r^2 + 2pq + 2pr + 2qr &= 1\end{aligned}$$

For heterozygous A group, the frequency is $2pr$

Therefore the number of individuals with Heterozygous A group that is $I^A I^O$ is:

$$\begin{aligned}2pr \times 1000 \\ = 0.2 \times 1000 \\ = 200\end{aligned}$$

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Problem 4

Find out the number of individuals with Homozygous B group

Solution: The total genotype frequency is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}(p + q + r)^2 &= 1 \\ p^2 + q^2 + r^2 + 2pq + 2pr + 2qr &= 1\end{aligned}$$

For homozygous B group, the frequency is q^2

Therefore the number of individuals with Homozygous B group that is $I^B I^B$ is:

$$\begin{aligned}q^2 \times 1000 \\ = 0.09 \times 1000 \\ = 90\end{aligned}$$

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Problem 5

Find out the number of individuals with Heterozygous B group

Solution: The total genotype frequency is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}(p + q + r)^2 &= 1 \\ p^2 + q^2 + r^2 + 2pq + 2pr + 2qr &= 1\end{aligned}$$

For heterozygous B group, the frequency is $2qr$

Therefore the number of individuals with Heterozygous B group that is $I^B I^O$ is:

$$\begin{aligned}2qr \times 1000 \\ = 0.3 \times 1000 \\ = 300\end{aligned}$$

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Problem 6

Find out the number of individuals with AB group and O group

Solution: The total genotype frequency is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}(p + q + r)^2 &= 1 \\ p^2 + q^2 + r^2 + 2pq + 2pr + 2qr &= 1\end{aligned}$$

For O group, the frequency is r^2

Therefore the number of individuals with O group that is $I^O I^O$ is:

$$\begin{aligned}r^2 \times 1000 \\ = 0.25 \times 1000 \\ = 250\end{aligned}$$

For AB group, the frequency is $2pq$

Therefore the number of individuals with AB group that is $I^A I^B$ is:

$$\begin{aligned}2pq \times 1000 \\ = 0.12 \times 1000 \\ = 120\end{aligned}$$

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