

# HADLEY NEWSLETTER

(Hadley, Headley, Hadlee, Hadly, Hadleigh, etc and their related kin)

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## Hadley DNA Dating Back to ca. 325 AD? WOW!!

The results of a newer variation of mtDNA testing is called Next Generation Sequence (NCS) and is limitedly available. It helps to estimate the dates where a genealogical match may be found. This specific test is called the “SNP Pack Test” and has been performed for the Wing family. The results of that test, among other things, suggests the Wing family likely has a connection to our George Hadley line. This connection probably dates back to around 325 AD. It is interesting to note this is a small clade\* which is composed of only a handful of families. (\*A clade is nothing more than a chart used to make a connection between organisms. It is similar, but different, from the charts we typically see in genealogy.)

Some of these families appear to have roots in the south eastern part of England, somewhere near what is now known as the County of Kent. In order for us to determine if our clade yields similar results, it will be required for a Hadley to take a similar test. If the results of our test is similar, it will almost certainly prove that our George Hadley family line was in England during the time the Romans were in control of England.

We have been tested for the “SNP Pack” through Jim Hadley and are now confident some of our relatives were indeed from England. This information may not come as a surprise to most, although it is the first **proof** we have that we have deep English roots



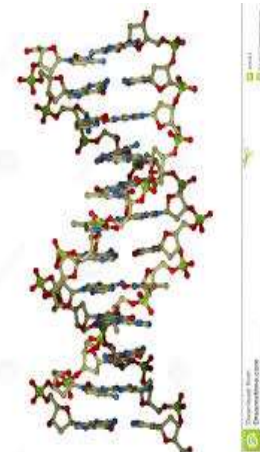
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## DNA Primer: Part 6

Mitochondria (mtDNA) is just one of four basic DNA tests that can be performed. (The other three are Y-DNA, atDNA and X-DNA). mtDNA consists of microscopic particles that are located inside just about every cell in the body. There are many thousands of these particles in every cell and they provide the energy for our bodies. There is a vast amount of mtDNA in each cell. Every string of our DNA has about 3.1 billion bits of information about us.

mtDNA always passes from a mother to both sexes of all her children through her eggs, which will be an exact copy of her mtDNA genome. However, only her female children will be able to pass her mtDNA forward. To trace a woman’s mtDNA back, it may present some difficulties for the genealogist, since the female usually changes her surname upon marriage.

To make matters a bit more complicated, there are currently two different types of mtDNA testing available – mtDNA sequencing testing and SNP testing (singular nucleotide polymorphism testing). *More from the DNA primer in the Sept. 2017 issue of this, your Hadley Newsletter*



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## Different First Names of Females Born As Hadleys:

Last month, your *Hadley Newsletter* provided an attachment that listed different first names we found uncommon in males born as a Hadley into our George Hadley line. This month we are happy to provide a similar list of uncommon first names for females who were born into our George Hadleys line. Please see the attachment: “*Different First Names of Females Born as a Hadleys*”

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## Honor & Celebrate Our Hadley Ancestors:

We believe one of the best ways to honor our Hadley ancestors is to document and preserve who they were by supporting the creation of the *Hadley Room*. This special room has been made available to us by the Narragansett Historical Society. However, it is **our** responsibility to renovate and make this room into a North American document and repository research center for the Hadleys who are related to our patriarch George Hadley (ca 1612-1686). We need to raise \$10,000 to make the room functional. To date, we have raised just over \$6,000 and are so very appreciative for all who have donated to make the Hadley Room become a reality.

Won't you please make or add to your contribution by sending your tax deductible gift to the Narragansett Historical Society, c/o Ms. Debra Caisse, Treasurer, PO Box 354, Templeton, MA 01468. Thank you.

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## A Future Gender Neutral Hadley:

In Canada, a child at birth, has had their sex designated as “U”. <http://www.teenvogue.com/story/gender-neutral-baby-canada>. The intent is to have the child be designated as gender neutral and later in their life to change that designate, if they so choose, to a sex of their selection. The intent of the “U” designation is unclear. Will a similar designation, should it happen, affect the genealogical record-keeping of our Hadley history? If so, how will it affect those records, and for that matter, how will it affect any individual Hadley that selects to go through life as a gender neutral individual? (We do note, that in extremely rare cases, children have been born where their biological sex cannot be determined.)

This, your *Hadley Newsletter*, would be happy if you would write a brief response on this topic for a publication consideration in a future *Hadley Newsletter*. Send your published ready response to Jim Hadley at [www.hadleygenealogy.net](http://www.hadleygenealogy.net)

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*“Do not be so open-minded that your brains fall out.”*

~ G. K. Chesterton

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