

## White supremacists using DNA tests to prove their ‘whiteness’

[W]hite supremacists of various stripes who congregate on parts of Reddit, 4chan, and elsewhere are using the genetic testing service 23andMe to prove to each other and themselves just how white their ancestries are. The testers use the forum to commiserate as they anxiously wait for results, hoping to be deemed 100% European heritage.

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It's the inverse of what young black Americans are doing with the genetic tests....

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A user named “eagleshigh” [posted:]“Oy vey. My ancestry dna results are back,” Eagles wrote, linking to [a chart showing 7 percent African ancestry and 22 percent Native American](#). Someone reassured him, suggesting he hadn't come by the genes by choice: “There is no way that anyone's lineage avoided rape...” Another said he was “deffo mostly White.”

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For the white supremacist posters on alt-right forums, rape isn't a horrific crime so much as it's instrumental. “There is no way that anyone's lineage avoided rape” is a dismissal of the victim of rape who's one of the original poster's ancestors. The act of rape is subsumed as just another part of the posters' particular conception of whiteness.

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