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## **Digital Patterns of the Banai of Meghalaya**

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**ABSTRACT** Finger dermatoglyphics have been analyzed in 167 Banai (77 male and 90 females) a small endogamous population with Mongoloid affinities of south Garo Hills district of Meghalaya. Analysis of the data reveals that the average Banai (both male and female) possess more loops than whorls.