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1.Genotype frequencie	$s = p^2$	+	2pq	+ q <sup>2</sup>	
	$= 0.39^2$	+	2*0.39*0.61	+ 0.61 <sup>2</sup>	
	= 0.15	+	0.48	+ 0.37	
mean IL6R	5.698		4.418	3.238	
2. Population mean	p <sup>2</sup> * 5.698	+	2pq * 4.418	+ q <sup>2</sup> *	3.238
(	0.15 * 5.698	+	0.48 * 4.418	+ 0.37 *	3.238 <b>= 4.17</b>
	$\downarrow$		$\downarrow$		$\downarrow$
3. Deviation from mean = 5.698-4.17			4.418 - 4.1	L7 3.	238 - 4.17
	= 1.52		0.24		-0.94
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Total variance of IL-6R concentration= 1.35

% variance explained by SNP= 0.71/1.35 = 53%

Variation:  $2pq[a+d(q-p)]^2 + (2pqd)^2$ 

$$a = 0.5 \times (\text{sIL-}6R_{\text{CC}} - \text{sIL-}6R_{\text{AA}}) = 0.5 \times (5.698 - 3.238) = 1.23$$

$$d = sIL-6R_{AC} - (sIL-6R_{AA} + a)$$
  
= 4.418 - (3.238 + 1.23) = -0.05

$$V_A = 2pq [a + d (q - p)]^2$$
  
= 2 × 0.39 × 0.61  
× [1.23 - 0.05 × (0.61 - 0.39)]^2  
= 0.71

$$V_{\rm D} = (2pqd)^2 = (2 \times 0.39 \times 0.61 \times -0.05)^2$$
  
= 5.66 × 10<sup>-4</sup>

**Average effect** 

## (associated with genes and not with genotypes)

The average effect of a gene (allele) is the mean deviation from the population mean of individuals which received that gene from one parent, the gene received from the other parent having come *at random* from the population.

Falconer (p112): The concept of average effect is not easy to grasp.

## Average effect is related to genotypic values a and d

q [a + d (q - p)] =  $\alpha_1$ 

$$-p [a + d (q - p)] = \alpha_2$$

Average effect of gene substitution is  $\alpha_1 - \alpha_2 = \alpha$ . This is the difference between the average effect of the 2 alleles:  $\alpha = a + d(q-p)$  2. Calculate the average effect of the alleles (page 113)

Minor allele: C, frequency: p= 0.39 Major Allele: A, frequency: q=0.61

a=1.23, d= -0.05

Average effect C = q[a+d(q-p)] = 0.61[1.23-0.05(0.61-0.39)] = 0.74

Average effect A = -p[a+d(q-p)] = -0.39[1.23-0.05(0.61-0.39)] = -0.48