GENETIC MUSIC PROJECT

DISORDER

BACKGROUND: Since all genetic information can only come in the language of four nucleotides (A Adenosine C Cytosine G Guanine T Thymidine) all genetic information is fairly easily conveyed in musical form. Back in 2008 my friend Liz Wade and I sent away to 23andme.com to get our genetic code read and from there we used the code to create music.

Take Heroin Addiction for example: Liz simply assigned A, C and G to those notes, and assigned T to a F sharp. She then repeated a 10 nucleotides sequence several times. But that is just one way to do it. To be true to the music inherent in the sequences the only consistency that has to be maintained is that—as long as you're within the same genetic marker—the nucleotides always have to be the same note, whether you assign A to A or A to G sharp.

DNA: According to 23andMe, I have moderately higher risk of BiPolar (I am of two minds about this). The genetic marker for this is on the rs4565946 allele, in part below:

TATGTGTTTA AACAATAGAT TTCTTGCTGC AGTTATGGCC ATTAGTAAGT AGAAAAGGTT TTGCCTTTCA TTTCACCTCT GCAAGCCAAG CTGATTCAAC AATGCATCCT TCATCACATG CCATTAATCT TGGCTAAAGC CCTTCCTTAA GTAAACAACC AACCCTGATG ATACAGCCAT AATCTGTGAA TTCAAGATTT TGTTCCCAAG GCAGGCAGTT TCCTTGCCTA AAAAATACAT AGCAAATAGA TCATGAAAGA TTAAGGAAGC TAAGATGGGC TCCTCTGGCA TGACAGGGAA Y GGCTGAGGTA AGTCAGCAAA AGCTACATAA AGGACTGGGT CTTGGGCTTA AAGTTCAAAT AGGCTTAGAG ATAACCAAGG GGTAAGAAGA GGAAGTAGAA TGAGTGTCAG TTACCAGAGG ATTAAATGAT ATTAGTATTG TTTAGTCTTT GCCAATTACC ACGGGACCTT GAGAAAGCCC TTTAGGTTCT CTAGGTCTCA GTTTTCTCAT CTGTTAAAAT GGGTATAATA TGAATCATCC TATTTATATC TCAGGTTTGG AAAGAAGAAG AAAAAGAGT ACTTGACTAA GAACAAACCT