

Report from the DNA project

At the time of writing the Clan Donnachaidh DNA project has 1755 members.

As was reported last year, markers have been identified that were carried by Duncan, the first Chief, by comparing the results of documented descendants of his two sons, Robert and Patrick. Several more men have been identified as carrying these markers. At present, the majority of identified descendants are descended from Robert, the elder son, the ancestor of the Robertsons of Struan.

As more people test, it has been possible to associate some other family groups with specific locations in Scotland.

The largest identified group in the project comprises the descendants of the McConechys and Duncans of Bute who all share a common ancestor who probably lived in the late Middle Ages.