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Digital and Palmar Dermatoglyphics of the Bhoi Khasis of Umden Village, Ri-Bhoi District, Meghalaya

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ABSTRACT The paper describes digital and palmar dermatoglyphic features of 232 Bhoi Khasi individuals (112 males and 120 females) of Umden, Ri-Bhoi district, Meghalaya. A comparison is made with other neighbouring populations of the region. Significant bimanual and bisexual differences are observed in many digital and palmar characters. The Bhoi Khasi males show similarities with the Garo in respect of finger patterns and females with the Pnars. Present population also show differences with the other populations compared.