



## Supplementary Material

**Table S1.** PCR primers and protocols used for the genotyping of markers at the *MC1R*, *KIT*, *NR6A1*, *VRTN* and *IGF2* genes.

Primer pair names/genes	Sequence of the forward and reverse primers (5'-3')	Analysis <sup>1</sup>	Amplified region (bp)	Annealing temperature (°C)	Genotyping protocol/system <sup>2</sup>
<i>MC1R_1</i>	CTGCACTCGCCCATGTACTA AGCAGAGGCTGGACACCAT	PCR-RFLP	196	60	Amplicons digested with <i>Bsp</i> HI (c.367G = 196 bp in <i>E</i> <sup>+</sup> , <i>E</i> <sup>D1</sup> and <i>e</i> ; c.367A = 154 + 42 bp in <i>E</i> <sup>D2</sup> and <i>E</i> <sup>P</sup> ) *
<i>MC1R_2</i>	GCGGGTACTGTACGTCCACAT CCCAGCAGAGGAGGAAGAC	PCR-RFLP	154	60	Amplicons digested with <i>Hha</i> I (c.727G = 108 + 46 bp in <i>E</i> <sup>+</sup> , <i>E</i> <sup>D1</sup> , <i>E</i> <sup>D2</sup> and <i>E</i> <sup>P</sup> ; c.727A = 154 bp in <i>e</i> ); Amplicons digested with <i>Bst</i> UI (c.729G = 109 + 47 bp in <i>E</i> <sup>+</sup> , <i>E</i> <sup>D2</sup> and <i>E</i> <sup>P</sup> ; c.729A = 154 bp in <i>E</i> <sup>D1</sup> and <i>e</i> ) *
<i>MC1R_indel</i>	CACCTCTGGGAGCCATGA GTCTGGTTGGTCTGGTTG	Fragment analysis	168/170	55	Amplicons analyzed in a capillary sequencer (ABI3100 Avant, ABI Prism)
<i>MC1R_seq1</i>	CACCTCTGGGAGCCATGA AGCAGAGGCTGGACACCAT	Sanger sequencing	479	59	Amplicons sequenced with ABI3100 Avant, ABI Prism
<i>MC1R_seq2</i>	GTCATGGACGTGCTCATCTG CCCAGCAGAGGAGGAAGAC	Sanger sequencing	409	60	Amplicons sequenced with ABI3100 Avant, ABI Prism
<i>MC1R_seq3</i>	CACCCTCACCATCCTGCT CCCAGCCACGTAGGAACC	Sanger sequencing	311	59	Amplicons sequenced with ABI3100 Avant, ABI Prism
<i>KIT</i>	TGAACATTGCTGACTCCCCT TGCATTTTACCTAAAGAGAAGA GC	PCR-RFLP	157	56	Amplicons digested with <i>Dde</i> I (g.8:43597545C = 157 bp; g.8:43597545T = 93 + 64 bp) *
<i>NR6A1</i>	GGTATCCTGAGCACCCAGTC ACCTGGAGGACAGTGTGGAG	PCR-RFLP	203	58	Amplicons digested with <i>Msp</i> I (g.299084751C = 180 + 23 bp; g.299084751T = 203 bp) *
<i>VRTN</i>	GGCAGGGAAGGTGTTTGTTA GACTGGCCTCTGTCCCTTG	PCR-RFLP	411/120	56	Amplicons separated in a 2.5% agarose gel electrophoresis (allele Q = 411 bp; allele wild type (WT) = 120 bp)
<i>IGF2</i>	CCGCGGCTTCGCCTAGGGTC CCGGCTGGAAGGGAGGAAGC	PCR-RFLP	172	65	Amplicons digested with <i>Tsp</i> 45I (g.3072G = 172 bp; g.3072A = 155 + 17 bp) *

<sup>1</sup> Detailed protocols of the PCR analyses. All amplification reactions were carried out in a 25 µL total volume containing 100 ng genomic DNA, 10 pmol of each primer and the GoTaq® Hot Start Colorless Master Mix (Promega Corporation, Madison, Wisconsin, USA). A SimpliAmp thermal cycler (Thermo Fisher Scientific, Carlsbad, CA, USA) was used with the following PCR temperature profile: initial denaturation step of 5 min at 95 °C, then 35 cycles of 30 sec at 95 °C, 30 sec at 56–60 °C (according to the PCR product; see this table), 30 sec at 72 °C and a final elongation step of 5 min at 72 °C. Electrophoresis on 2.5–3.5% agarose gels was carried out to detected amplified fragments and restriction enzyme digested patterns after visualized with 1× GelRed Nucleic Acid Gel Stain (Biotium Inc., Hayward, CA, USA). The c.67insCC indel of the *MC1R* gene was analyzed using a fragment analysis protocol in a 4-capillary sequencer (ABI3100 Avant, ABI Prism, Thermo Fisher Scientific, Carlsbad, CA, USA) to detect 6-FAM fluorescent amplicons. Moreover, Sanger sequencing was applied to confirm genotyping results from several amplicons for each gene, following the protocols already described [26,27].

<sup>2</sup> When an asterisk (\*) was indicated, the genotyping protocol was based on PCR-RFLP analysis. Amplified fragments have been digested with the indicated restriction enzymes and the generated fragments after digestion for the different alleles are reported.

**Table S2.** Allele frequencies of the analyzed gene polymorphisms in the European pig breeds, including the Greek Black Pig breed, and wild boar populations. Information for the Greek Black Pig breed derives from the genotyping activities reported in this study. For some breeds/gene markers, information derives from previous studies [9,13,26,27,32,33,36]. When this information was not available, for some breeds and the following markers at the *NR6A1*, *VRTN* and *KIT* genes, allele frequencies derive from the mining of whole genome sequencing data produced by Bovo et al. [11].

Breeds/population	No. of pigs	<i>NR6A1</i>	<i>VRTN</i>	<i>IGF2</i>	<i>KIT</i>	<i>MC1R</i>						
		<i>T</i>	<i>Q</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>MC1R*1</i>	<i>MC1R*2</i>	<i>MC1R*3</i>	<i>MC1R*4</i>	<i>MC1R*6</i>	<i>MC1R*7</i>	<i>MC1R*10</i>
Greek Black	59	0.839	0.449	0.856	0.017	0.076	0.008	0.703	0.153	0.017	0.000	0.042
Alentejana	35	0.919	0.171	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.010	0.090	0.000	0.660	0.240	0.000
Apulo Calabrese	35	0.703	0.565	0.850	0.029	0.000	0.000	0.900	0.000	0.100	0.000	0.000
Basque	30	1.000	0.903	0.000	0.108	0.000	0.010	0.980	0.000	0.010	0.000	0.000
Bisara	35	1.000	0.321	0.010	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.860	0.010	0.130	0.000	0.000
Black Slavonian	35	0.865	0.432	0.080	0.037	0.000	0.890	0.040	0.020	0.060	0.000	0.000
Casertana	35	0.950	0.314	0.030	0.059	0.000	0.000	0.890	0.020	0.090	0.000	0.000
Cinta Senese	35	1.000	0.422	0.120	0.969	0.000	0.000	0.780	0.060	0.160	0.000	0.000
Italian Duroc	30	1.000	0.596	1.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Gascon	30	1.000	0.500	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.980	0.000	0.020	0.000	0.000
Krškopolje	35	1.000	0.683	0.390	0.027	0.000	0.000	0.820	0.020	0.160	0.000	0.000
Italian Landrace	44	1.000	0.512	0.680	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000	0.000	0.000
Italian Large White	49	1.000	0.400	0.912	0.011	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000	0.000	0.000
Lithuanian White Old Type	35	1.000	0.553	0.100	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000	0.000	0.000
Lithuanian Indigenous Wattle	35	0.500	0.400	0.280	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.130	0.870	0.000	0.000
Swallow Bellied Mangalitsa	35	0.975	0.438	0.000	0.750	1.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Mora Romagnola	35	1.000	0.860	0.100	0.000	0.520	0.000	0.000	0.480	0.000	0.000	0.000
Moravka	35	0.976	0.615	0.260	0.214	0.030	0.370	0.430	0.000	0.170	0.000	0.000
Majorcan Black	35	0.938	0.170	0.190	0.174	0.000	0.020	0.920	0.010	0.050	0.000	0.000
Nero Siciliano	35	0.714	0.250	0.200	0.051	0.010	0.040	0.750	0.030	0.180	0.000	0.000
Sarda	35	1.000	0.543	0.270	0.068	0.010	0.040	0.260	0.030	0.660	0.000	0.000
Schwäbisch Hällisches Schwein	35	1.000	1.000	0.500	0.095	0.000	0.160	0.840	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Turopolje	35	0.457	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000	0.000	0.000
Wild Boar	35	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000