Genotyping Protocol: MMRRC 31778

Assay Type: PCR- can distinguish between heterozygous and homozygous animals.

DNA Extraction: DNA from tail snips was extracted using Qiagen's DNeasy Blood and Tissue kit (Cat# 69506). Kit directions for animal tissues were performed with a few minor modifications as follows: repeat AW1 and AW2 wash steps one time, elute in 200µl of AE buffer once.

Strain Description: This strain carries a Cre transgene inserted into the cut-like homeobox 2 gene (*Cux2*) on Chromosome 5. The transgene is inserted into the final exon of *Cux2*.

Primer Information:

1) Name: M31778 Mut F
2) Name: M31778 WT F
3) Name: M31778 R
Sequence: 5'-GCA GCC AGG GCT TAC CTG TAC AC-3'
Sequence: 5'-TGC AGC GGC GGC ATG AGA AA-3'
Sequence: 5'-CTG TGT CTG CTC CAC GAC AGC AG-3'

Primer Location: M31778 Mut F is located in the end of the inserted transgene. M31778 WT F is located before the transgene insertion site. M31778 R is located after the transgene in the last exon of *Cux2*.

Assay Name: Cux2-Cre PCR

MUT PCR Master Mix Components:

component	manufacturer	concentration	μl/rxn
10X Buffer with MgCl ₂ (green cap)	Roche	10X	2
dNTPs	Promega (Cat#U1515)	1.25mM	3.2
M31778 Mut F	Sigma	25µM	0.3
M31778 R	Sigma	25µM	0.3
Faststart Taq	Roche(Cat# 12032953001)	5 U/μl	0.2
sterile water			13

PCR Setup:

Final Reaction: 19µl master mix & 1µl DNA template (10-20ng/µl)

All reactions were performed in 200µl thin walled PCR tubes and were run in Eppendorf Master Cycler or Applied Biosystems 2700 thermocycler.

Cycle Parameters:

 1)
 95°C
 3 minutes

 2)
 94°C
 30 seconds

 3)
 70°C
 30 seconds

 4)
 72°C
 1 minute

5) Repeat steps 2-4 34 times for a total of 35 cycles

6) 72°C 10 minutes

7) 4°C hold until refrigerate product

Product Analysis:

All products were analyzed on the Qiaxcel (instrument and all supplies from Qiagen) with the Qiaxcel DNA Screening Kit (Cat# 929004).

Alignment Marker: QX Alignment Marker 15bp/3kb (Cat# 929522) Size Marker: QX DNA Size Marker 100-3000bp (Cat# 929553)

Method: AM320 Injection: 10s at 5KV Separation: 320s at 6KV

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Expected Product: 734bp MUT product

WT PCR Master Mix Components:

component	manufacturer	concentration	μl/rxn
10X Buffer with MgCl ₂ (green cap)	Roche	10X	2
dNTPs	Promega	1.25mM	3.2
M31778 WT F	Sigma	25µM	0.3
M31778 R	Sigma	25µM	0.3
Faststart Taq	Roche	5 U/µl	0.2
sterile water			13

PCR Setup:

Final Reaction: 19µl master mix & 1µl DNA template (10-20ng/µl)

All reactions were performed in 200µl thin walled PCR tubes and were run in Eppendorf Master Cycler or Applied Biosystems 2700 thermocycler.

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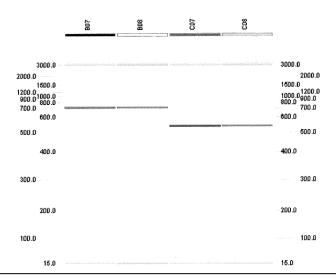
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Method: AM320 Injection: 10s at 5KV Separation: 320s at 6KV

Expected Product: 553bp WT product

Example of Gels:



Lanes B07 and B08 display samples positive for the mutant allele (734bp band). Lanes C07 and C08 display samples positive for the WT allele (553bp band).

Please note: the 15bp and 3000bp bands seen in all lanes are reference markers specific to the Qiaxcel method and do not represent amplification products