



Grand Champion B&W, NRM 2017, Bons Holstein Ella 158

Update Genetic Recessive exchange
EHRC Budapest 2017, Jos Buiting, CRV-Herdbook

Genetic Traits as reported on the WHFF website (accessed on 28 March 2017).

C = carrier ^L_{SEP}F = tested free or non-carrier

Gene Name	Description	Gene and Expression Code
BLAD	Bovine Leukocyte Adhesion Deficiency (deficiency of a normally occurring protein needed for white blood cells or leukocytes, which are body's infection fighters)	BLC = tested carrier of BLAD BLF = tested non-carrier of BLAD
Mule foot	Mule-Foot (toes of foot are joined, giving animal a single hoof, instead of cloven ones)	MFC = tested carrier of Mule foot MFF = tested non-carrier of Mule foot
DUMPS	Deficiency of Uridine Monophosphate Synthase (one of many enzymes contributing to normal metabolic processes)	DPC = tested carrier of DUMPS DPF = tested non-carrier of DUMPS
CVM	Complex Vertebral Malformation (causes still-born calves, abortions, and early embryonic losses)	CVC = tested carrier of CVM CVF = tested non-carrier of CVM
Factor X1	Factor X1 (blood clotting disorder)	XIC = tested carrier of Factor X1 XIF = tested non-carrier of Factor X1
CIT	Citrullinemia (accumulation of ammonia and other toxics in blood in baby calves)	CNC = tested carrier of Citrullinemia CNF = tested non-carrier of Citrullinemia
Brachyspina	Brachyspina (causes abortion and stillborn, shortened spinal cord, long legs and abnormal organs)	BYC = tested carrier of Brachyspina BYF = tested non-carrier of Brachyspina
Polled	Animals without horns (reported born hornless - - Not Tested).	POR = code
Polled (Current-Indirect Test)	Indirect Test	POS = tested true polled (homozygous PP) POC = tested carrier of polled (heterozygous Pp) POF = tested free of polled
Polled (Future)	When a direct test becomes available. Direct test code will "trump" test code on animal record	Further Information Click Here
Cholesterol Deficiency	Cholesterol Deficiency	CDF = tested non-carrier / free of cholesterol deficiency CDC = tested carrier of cholesterol deficiency (heterozygous)

Genetic Recessive exchange data by interbull

Present situation = manual exchange

- bull tested in country A, with recessive BLC and MFC
- registered in the national herdbook of country A
- bull owner send a press release (or not ...)
- distributors and herdbooks in other countries have to register this data, manually

So Registration of GR's is not complete
Breeders are not always fully informed

- Damage when carriers are mated

WHFF Proposal

WHFF idea: October 2016 to contact Interbull

- Proposal to exchange the data per bull
 - 3 times per year, with the breeding value estimations
- Datacenters / herdbooks per country can add the recessive information per bull (input)
 - The Genetic Recessives are send back with the BV's (output)
- Calculation centre / Herdbook can update it's information

WHFF board and Interbull fully agreed

→ tested the procedure with 3 countries in spring 2017

First test results

- Test with: VIT, Germany
SAC, United Kingdom
CRV, Netherlands and Flanders (B)
- Input 230,000 records on some 100.000 unique animals:
95.000 bulls & 5.000 females
- Output 265,000 records with GR information

Datacentre	Input	Output	Extra GR's
VIT	111,944	127,498	13,3%
SAC	56,323	71,037	26,1%
CRV	62,339	66,987	7,5%

→ Source: CRV, Mathijs van Pelt

- Remark: difference partly due to Direct / Indirect tests
- Results are very promising (in a test with only 3 countries)

Conclusions

- Automized data exchange of Genetic Recessives,
gives significant additional value

- Excellent co-operation between WHFF (EHRC) and Interbull
- We will start with Holstein, as WHFF-members
- Other breeds have already shown interest

- Procedures will be finalized (WHFF / Interbull)
 - include Indirect tests (haplotypes) or not?
 - include fenotypical data (i.e. Polled) or not?
 - how to solve conflicting input?

- Exchange expected to be in production end of 2017
It will help breeders to avoid problems

Thanks for your attention



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