Reliable and fast molecular sexing in Bos indicus cattle using amelogenin gene primers

ABSTRACT

To investigate reliability of amelogenin gene primer pair for exon 5, SE47/SE48 for sex differentiation in Bos indicus three male and three female Brakmas (B. indicus) cattle were tested. The SE 47/48 primer pair generated PCR products of fragment length 280 bp for the females (AMELX) and fragments of 280 bp (AMELX) and 213 bp (AMELY) for the males. Thus the SE47/48 primer pair is not only reliable for sex differentiation in B. indicus but may also be used to differentiate the B. indicus and B. taurus males.

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