PCR detection of the HindIII polymorphism at the thyroid hormone receptor, beta, gene (THRB)

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Source/Description: A clone $(p\lambda EA\beta3, sub-clone of \lambda EA\beta)$ which contained the HindIII polymorphic site was isolated by using the insert from pBH302 to screen a human genomic library constructed from EBV transformed peripheral blood lymphocytes. The DNA sequence which includes this site was determined (EMBL accession number X58041) and used to design PCR primers to amplify the region and generate a fragment of 432 bp.

Primer Sequences: EAβH-1 5'-ACGTTAGTGGCTCATATGAG-3' EAβH-2 5'-TCATTCGAGTTAGTGCAAAG-3'

Polymorphism: HindIII digestion of the PCR product of 432 bp (A1) yields two fragments of 221 + 211 bp (A2) if the site is present.

Frequency: Allele frequencies agreed with published estimates (1).

Chromosomal Location: THRB has been localised to 3p24 (2).

Other Comments: PCR amplification was performed in a volume of 15 μ l containing 0.3 μ g human DNA, 0.2 μ M each primer, 200 μ M each dNTP, 1.5 mM MgCl₂, 50 mM KCl, 10 mM Tris pH 8.3, 0.01% gelatin, 1% Triton X100 and 0.4 units Taq polymerase (Promega). 30 cycles of PCR were carried out, each cycle consisting of 95°C for 0.5 minute, 55°C for 1 minute and 72°C for 1 minute. The entire PCR product was electrophoresed on a 4% NuSieve 3:1 gel after overnight digestion with HindIII.

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Polymerase chain reaction (PCR)

Source/Description: The insert from pHF12-32 detects an Msp polymorphism (1), and itself contains the polymorphic site. The DNA sequence which includes this site was determined (EMBL accession number X58032) and used to design PCR primers to amplify the region and generate a fragment of 473 bp.

Primer Sequences:

D3S2-1 5'-CCAAGTGGCAGAGCTACTTA-3' D3S2-2 5'-ACTATCTTGCCCTAGAGCAA-3'

Polymorphism: MspI digestion of the PCR product of 473 bp (A1) yields fragments of 237 + 236 bp (A2) if the site is present.

Frequency: Allele frequencies agreed with the published estimates (1).

Chromosomal Location: D3S2 has been localised to 3p21.1 (2) and to 3p14 (Dr A.C.Heppell-Parton, personal communication).

Other Comments: PCR amplification was performed in a volume of 15 μ l containing 0.3 μ g human DNA, 0.2 μ M each primer, 200 μ M each dNTP, 1.5 mM MgCl₂, 50 mM KCl, 10 mM Tris pH 8.3, 0.01% gelatin, 1% Triton X100 and 0.4 units Taq polymerase (Promega). 30 cycles of PCR were carried out, each cycle consisting of 95°C for 0.5 minute, 55°C for 1 minute and 72°C for 1 minute. The entire PCR product was electrophoresed on a 4% NuSieve 3:1 gel after overnight digestion with MspI.

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Figure 1. MspI digestion of D3S2 polymorphic region amplified by PCR. Examples of the three genotypes are indicated. DNA molecular weight marker was $\Phi x 174$ cut with HaeIII.

Figure 1. HindIII digestion of a THRB polymorphic region amplified by PCR. Examples of the three genotypes are indicated. DNA molecular weight marker was $\Phi x 174$ cut with HaeIII.