

Additional file 2: Table S2. Real-time qPCR assays were developed for *Rhipicephalus microplus* based on the Melt-MAMA platform [1] to rapidly screen thousands of ticks for resistance SNPs at three loci in the *para*-sodium channel gene. PCRs were carried out in competitive reactions using SNP-specific forward primers designed to amplify all susceptible and resistance SNPs. Concentrations of the forward primers are skewed to equalize the amplification efficiency of both amplicons. Genotyping was achieved by generating a post-PCR dissociation curve and analyzing the melting temperature of target amplicons. All three qPCR assays accurately detected homozygous and heterozygous genotypes. Betaine was used as a controlled PCR inhibitor to increase target site specificity and minimize non-specific amplification. To balance the effects of the betaine, an extra 0.2 U of Platinum® *Taq* polymerase was added to each PCR to maintain the efficiency of these assays. All PCRs were carried out under the same conditions, with the exception of primer concentrations and annealing temperature (T_m). All three assays are also able to detect resistance SNPs in a related species, *Rhipicephalus annulatus*. Assay conditions for *R. annulatus* are identical to *R. microplus* with the exception of annealing temperature (T_m) for domain II (C190A), which is decreased to 58°C.

Assay	Locus	SNP (S/R)	Primer sequence (5'-3')	Primer concentrations	T _m	Dissociation Curve Temp.
Domain II	C190A	C/A	Susceptible (RmNaDomainIIF1_ANC): F-GGAAAACCATCGGTGCTC	0.09μM	60°C (58°C for Ra)	Susceptible: 72°C
			Resistant (RmNaDomainIIF2_DER): F-gccgcccgccgcccGGAAAACCATCGGTGACA	0.06μM		Resistant: 78°C
			Conserved reverse (RmNaDomainIIR2_CON): R-CCCAGGACAAAGGTGAAGT	0.15μM		
Domain II (<i>super-kdr</i>)	T170C	T/C	Susceptible (RmNaSuperKDRF1_ANC): F-CCTTAACCTGCTCATCTCTATCCT	0.10μM	63°C	Susceptible: 70°C
			Resistant (RmNaSuperKDRF1_DER): F-gccgcccgccgcccCCCTTAACCTGCTCATCTCTATCTC	0.05μM		Resistant: 78°C
			Conserved reverse (RmNaSuperKDRR1_CON): R-GCACCGATGGTTTTCCCC	0.15μM		
Domain III	T2134A	T/A	Susceptible (RmNaDomainIIIF3_ANC): F-TCATTATCTTCGGCTCCTCT	0.09μM	57°C	Susceptible: 70°C
			Resistant (RmNaDomainIIIF4_DER): F-gccgcccgccgcccTCATTATCTTCGGCTCCTTGA	0.06μM		Resistant: 76°C
			Conserved reverse (RmNaDomainIIR2_CON): R-CGATAATAACACCGATGAATAGA	0.15μM		
Universal reagents (10μL reactions)			20-40ng of DNA template 1X SYBR® Green Master Mix 1.2μM betaine 0.2U additional Platinum® <i>Taq</i> polymerase			
Universal thermocycling conditions			95°C for 10 minutes 40 cycles of: Step 1: 95°C for 15 seconds, Step 2: T _m for 60 seconds Step 3: 72°C for 30 seconds			

1. Birdsell DN, Pearson T, Price EP, Hornstra HM, Nera RD, Stone N, Gruendike J, Kaufman EL, Pettus AH, Hurbon AN *et al*: **Melt analysis of mismatch amplification mutation assays (Melt-MAMA): a functional study of a cost-effective SNP genotyping assay in bacterial models.** *PLoS one* 2012, **7**(3):e32866.