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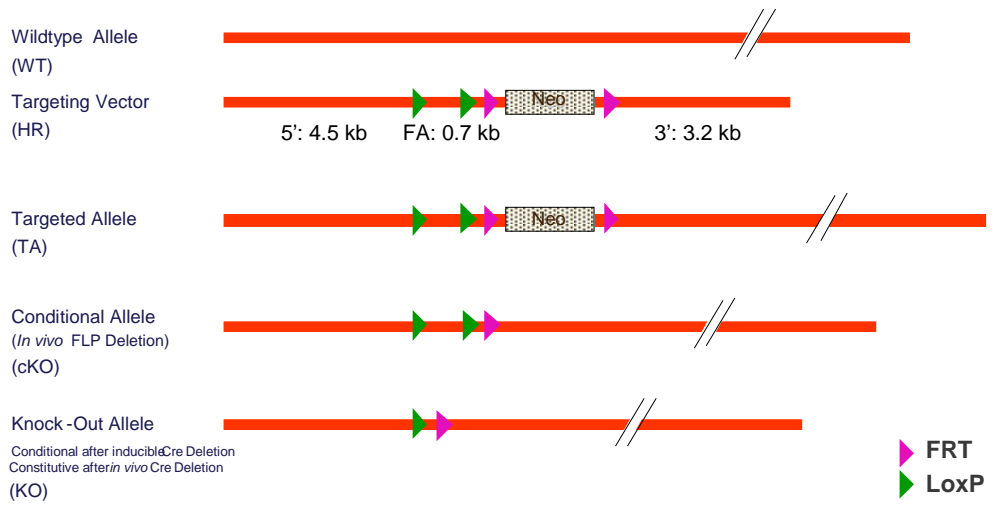
This protocol has been validated by Sylvie Jacquot, Ph.D., Project Manager

1. Schematic representation of the locus

1.1. Overview



Overview Targeting Strategy



Legend:

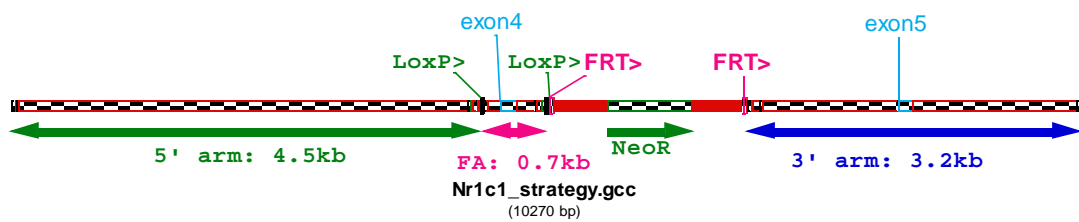
5': 5' homology arm; FA: floxed fragment; 3': 3' homology arm
 This schematic representation is not on scale

1.2. Strategy chosen: Flox exon 4

Nr1c1 gene (also named PPARα) is a member of the nuclear receptor family. Additional information on this gene can be accessed at

<http://www.informatics.jax.org/javawi2/servlet/WIFetch?page=markerDetail&key=25000>

Strategy used to generate the conditional knock out model



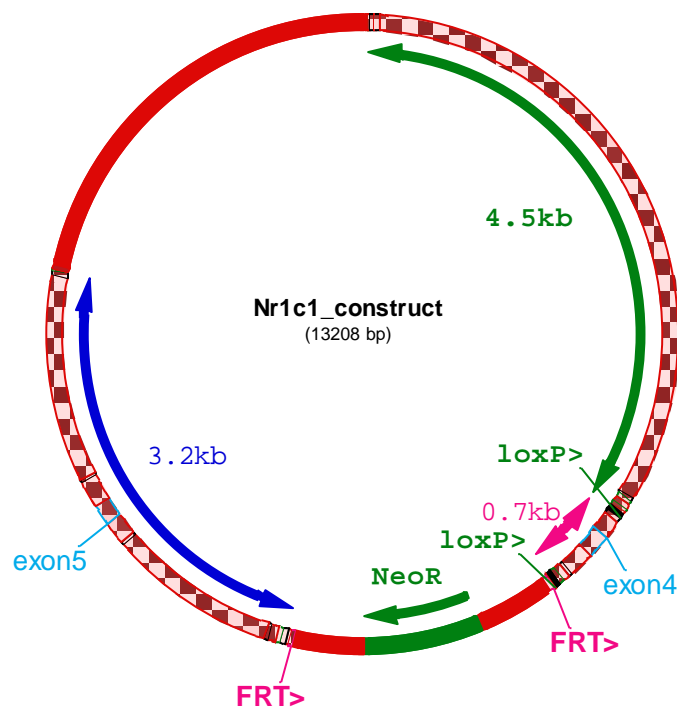
2. Construct used for homologous recombination in ES: Nr1c1 project

2.1. Legend

loxP sites are indicated in green ; FRT sites are indicated in purple; *Mus musculus* sequences are indicated in uppercase ; exogenous sequences are marked in lowercase.

The targeting vector was generated in 129Sv/Pas and was not fully sequenced. Regions sequenced are indicated in bolds.

2.2. Map of targeting vector plasmid





2.3. 5' homology arm (4.5 kb)

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3. ES cell lines targeted and validation data:

3.1. ES cell lines targeted

The targeting vector was electroporated in P1 ES cells [MCI-129Sv/Pas background]

Number of clones screened: ~400

Number of positives: 2

Reference of clone used to generate the mouse line:

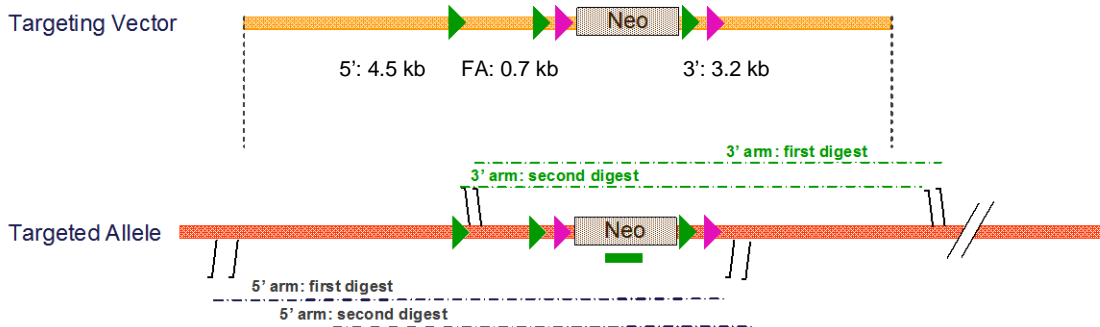
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3.2. Southern data on positive clone

3.2.1. Neo Southern strategy



Southern Screening Strategy



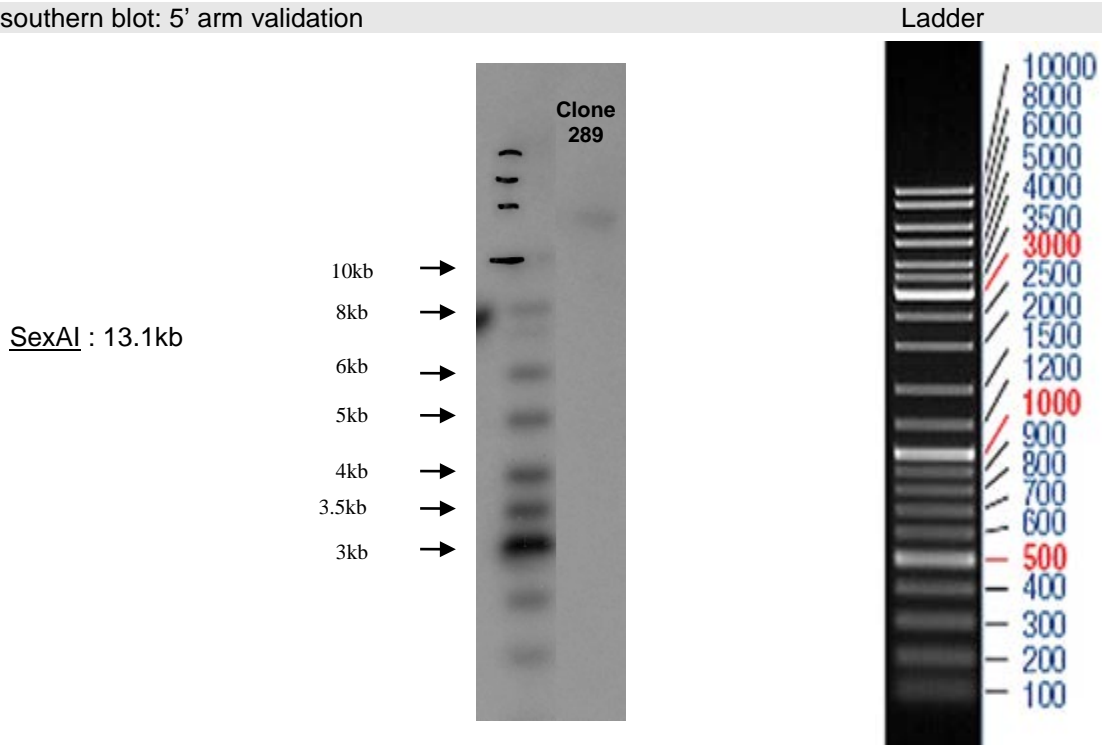
Digestions used to validate the 5' and 3' insertion

Probe	Name	Genomic DNA digest	WT allele (kb)	Targeted Allele (kb)
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	3' arm first digest	XcmI	Neo probe	10.0
	3' arm second digest	NdeI	/	12.2

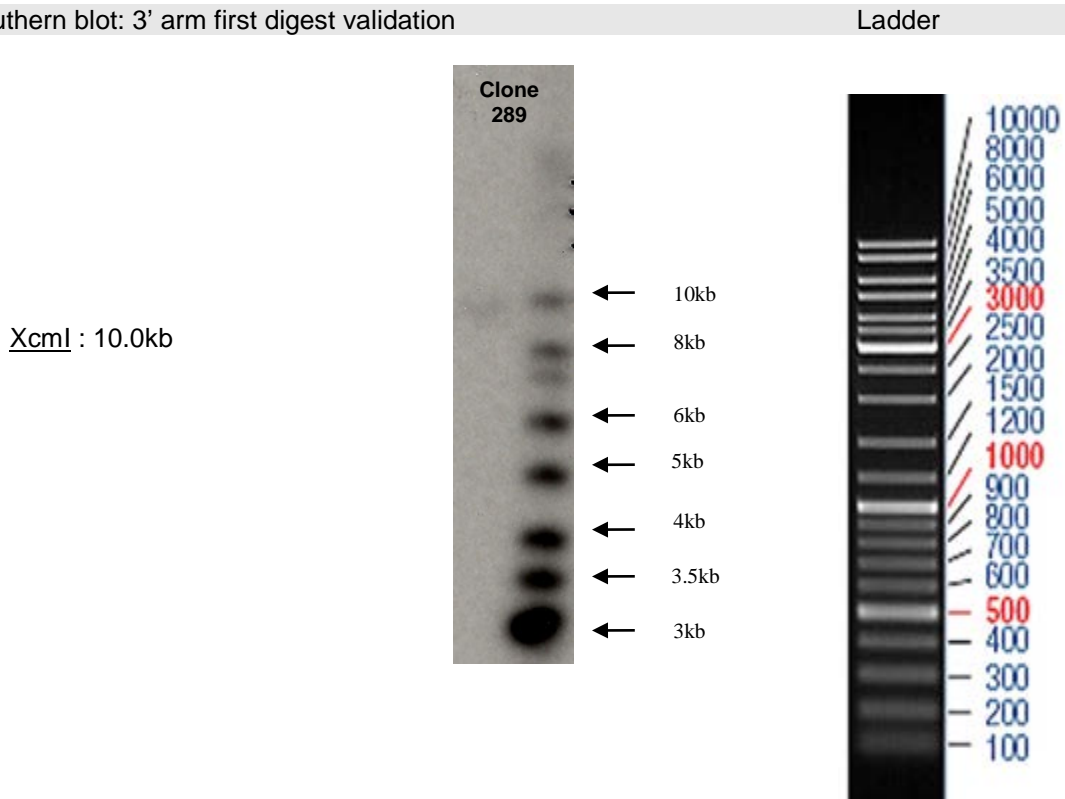
Four different digests are used to validate correct HR event. One digest validates the 5' insertion, 2 other digests validate the 3' insertion

3.2.2. Picture of Neo Southern

Neo southern blot: 5' arm validation

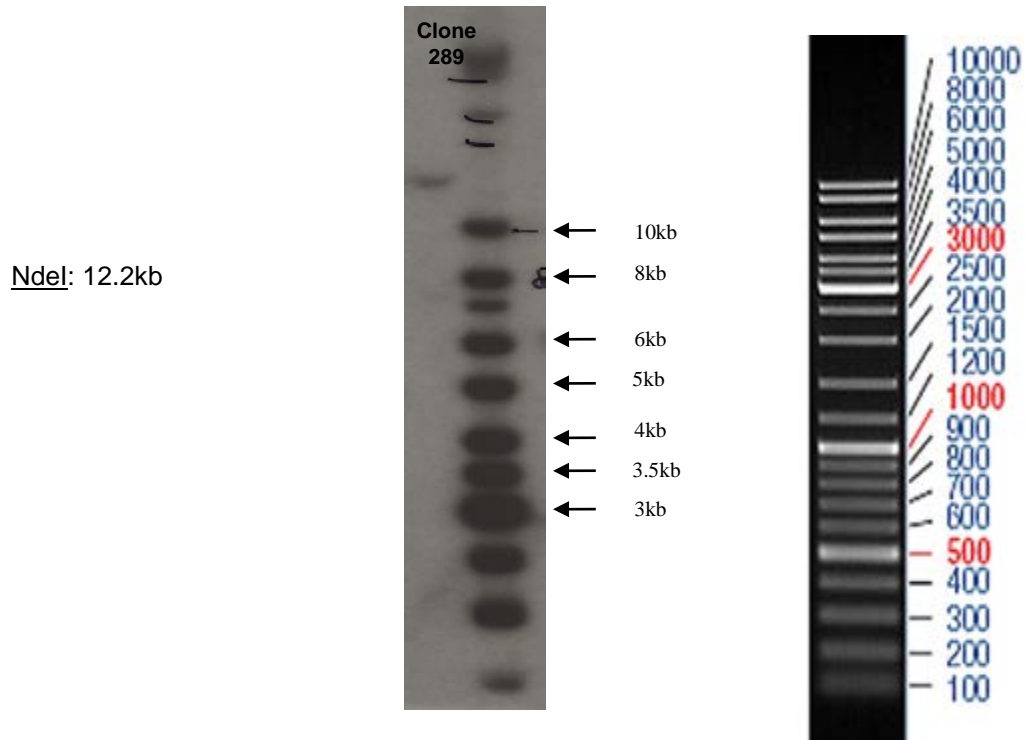


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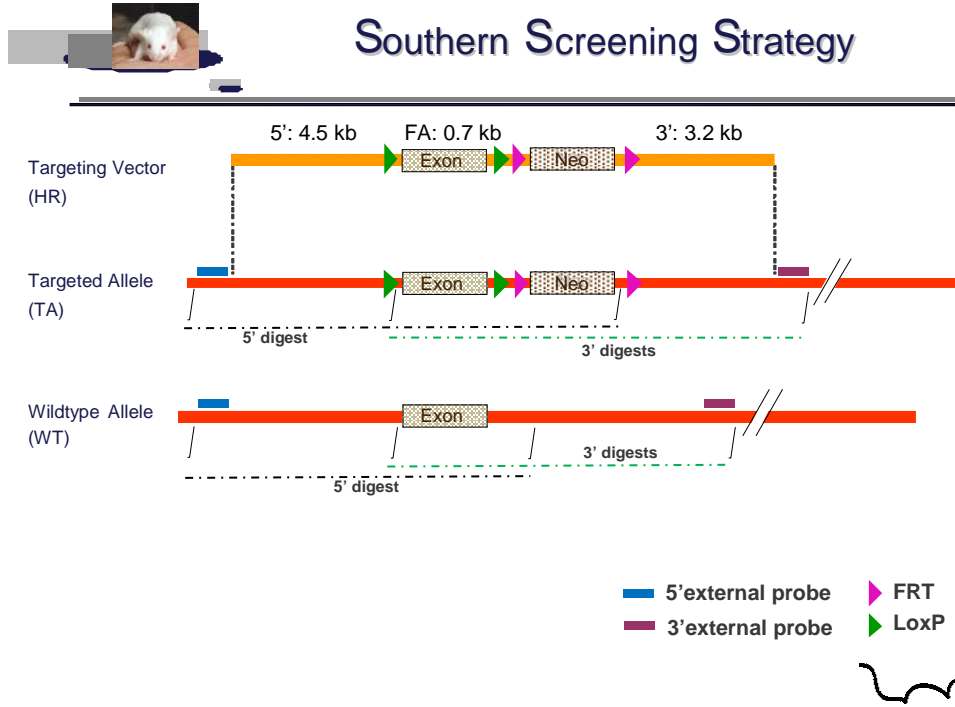


Neo southern blot: 3' arm second digest validation

Ladder



3.2.3.External probes Southern



Digestions used to validate with 5' and 3' probes

Probe	Name	Genomic DNA digest	WT allele (kb)	Targeted Allele (kb)
5' external	5' digest	Nsil	9.0	11.0
3' external	3' first digest	HindIII	11.6	13.7
	3' second digest	NdeI	9.9	12.0

Primers for probe synthesis:

5' probe

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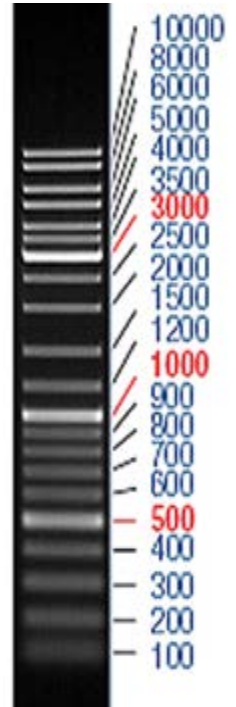
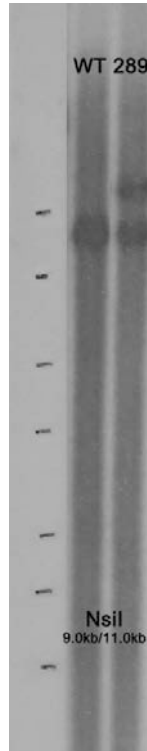
3' probe

CTACTGCCCTTGGTACCTTGAAATG
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3.2.4. Pictures of Southern with 5' and 3' external probes

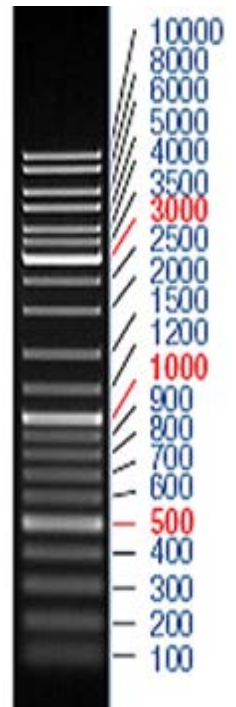
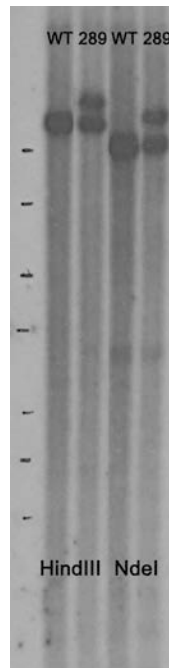
Southern blot with external 5' probe

Ladder



Southern blot with external 3' probe

Ladder

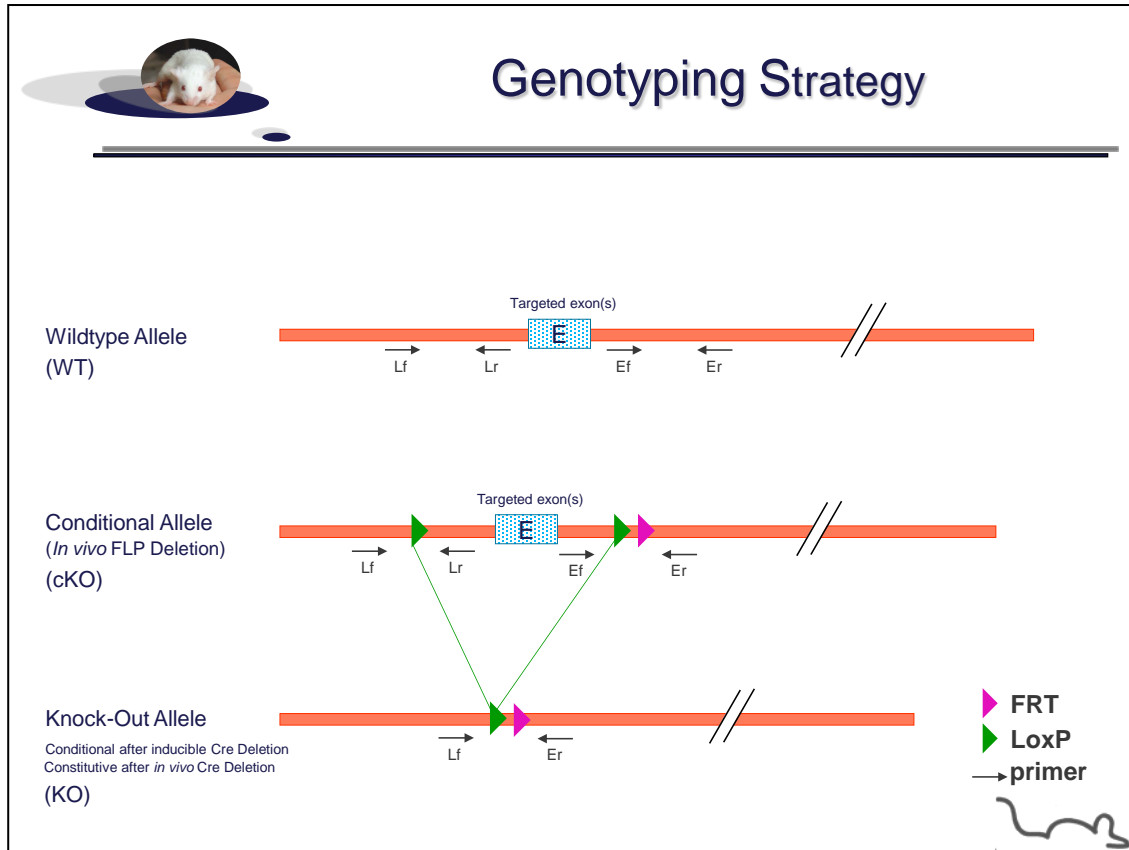


4. Genotyping protocol and data on conditional and knock-out animals

Both conditional and knock-out mouse models were backcrossed in C57BL/6J background.

4.1. Genotyping strategy

The map below describes the position of the primers used for genotyping for each possible allele.



Sequence of primers used for genotyping

Position	Primers	Sequence
Ef	821	CTGTACTTTGTAGACATCTGAGAGGCG
Er	823	TAGGTACCGTGGACTCAGAGCTAG
Lf	824	AAAGCAGCCAGCTCTGTGTTGAGC
Lr	825	GGGAAGATACCTTTTCGTAAGAGGGG



PCR fragments expected size (bp):

Region analyzed	Primers used	Position on the primer (see the map above)	Conditional allele (cKO)	Knock-Out allele (KO)	WT allele (WT)
Presence of the distal loxP	821-823	Lf / Lr	296	---	246
Excision of the selection marker	824-825	Ef / Er	390	---	280
Excision of the floxed exon(s), i.e. knock out	821-825	Lf / Er	1074*	445	914

* This PCR product will not be observed using our PCR genotyping conditions (see description below)

--- No Amplicon should be obtained

4.2. PCR protocol

This section describes the composition of the mix and cycling conditions used for genotyping.

Reagents:

- FastStart PCR Master (Roche)
- DNA (50ng/ μ l)
- 5' primer (100 μ M)
- 3' primer (100 μ M)
- Sterile H₂O

Volume:

- 7.5 μ l
- 1.5 μ l
- 0.06 μ l
- 0.06 μ l
- up to 15 μ l

Cycling conditions:

Temp	Time	#Cycles
95°C	4min	1
94°C	30s	34
62°C	30s	
72°C	1min	
72°C	7min	1
20°C	5 min	1

NB: These PCR conditions have been optimized for high-throughput genotyping. Adaptation to small-scale may be required.

4.3. Picture of genotyping with various alleles

Representative genotyping picture

