



Genome wide Copy Number Variation (CNV) detection in Cinisara cattle breed

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7 shared CNVs, as well as autosomes 19, 21, 22. Chromosome 25 presented
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9 number of CNVs was 4.5 per individual, with an average length and median
10 size of 143.04 kb and 122.14 kb, respectively. All CNVs were grouped in
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12 kb, were detected, which covered 4.90 Mb of polymorphic sequence and
13 corresponded to 0.18% of the total genome length. In particular, we found
14 81 CNVRs with only gain (duplication), 22 with only loss (deletion), and
15 four CNVRs with both. Furthermore, 8 CNVRs with >1%, 77 with >2.5%,
16 and 22 with >5% frequency, were found. CNVRs having the highest
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20 of 241 genes were included in the identified CNVRs. According to KEGG and
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