# Genetic Diversity of Bali Cattle Based on Microsatellite Marker in Indonesian Breeding Centre

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### ABSTRACT

Genetics characterization in livestock based on microsatellite has been widely implemented including for Bali cattle in three different breeding centres in Indonesia. This study aimed to determine diversity of Bali cattle microsatellites in three breeding centers namely BPTU Bali cattle in Bali, BPT-HMT Serading Sumbawa in West Nusa Tenggara, and Village Breeding Center in South Sulawesi. The number of animals used in this study was 95 head of cattle consisted of 32 heads from BPTU Bali Province, 32 heads from BPT-HMT Serading Sumbawa, and 31 heads from Village Barru Breeding Center Barru distric. Microsatellite loci used to determine the diversity was the locus SPS115, INRA037, MM12, and ETH185 based on flourescently labeled fragment method. Data analysis of microsatellite in Bali cattle at three different locations was performed by using POPGEN 1.2, Cervus, and POPTREE2 programs. The results showed that microsatellite diversity in Bali cattle detected 32 alleles from three different locations, and there were specific alleles at each location. Average values of observed heterozygosity (Ho) and expected heterozygosity (He) were 0.418 and 0.604 respectively, while the average value of polymorphism informative content (PIC) was 0.579. The Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium in general suggested that the loci used in the Bali cattle in three populations were in equilibrium, except INRA037 and ETH185. The genetic diversity between populations of Bali cattle was 0.033 (3%), while the inbreeding coefficient index in all populations was 0.296 (29.6 %). Bali cattle phylogeny tree with three populations showed that the populations of Bali cattle in BPTU Bali and VBC Barru had close genetic distance compared to the population of Bali cattle in BPT-HMT Serading Sumbawa. The results of this study provide information that the characteristics of Bali cattle breeding centers in three locations are different, so we need a directed breeding program in each population.

Key words: Bali cattle, genetics diversity, microsatellite

### ABSTRAK

Karakterisasi genetik pada ternak berdasarkan mikrosatelit telah banyak diterapkan termasuk pada sapi Bali di tiga pusat pembibitan di Indonesia. Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk mengevaluasi keragaman mikrosatelit di tiga pusat peternakan BPTU Bali, BPT-HMT Serading Sumbawa di Nusa Tenggara Barat, dan Village Breeding Center Kabupaten Barru di Sulawesi Selatan. Jumlah ternak yang digunakan sebanyak 95 ekor terdiri atas 32 ekor sapi dari BPTU Provinsi Bali, 32 ekor sapi bali dari BPT-HMT Serading Sumbawa, dan 31 ekor sapi Bali dari Village Breeding Center Kabupaten Barru. Lokus mikrosatelit yang digunakan dalam menentukan keragaman adalah SPS115, INRA037, MM12, dan ETH185 berdasarkan metode fragmen flourescently berlabel. Analisis data mikrosatelit pada sapi Bali di tiga lokasi yang berbeda dilakukan menggunakan Program POPGEN1.2, Cervus, dan POPTREE2. Hasil penelitian menunjukkan bahwa keragaman mikrosatelit pada sapi bali menemukan 32 alel dari tiga lokasi yang berbeda dan terdapat alel spesifik di setiap lokasi. Nilai rata-rata yang diamati meliputi nilai heterosigositas (Ho) dan heterozigositas yang diharapkan (He), masing-masing 0,418 dan 0,604, sedangkan nilai rata-rata polymorphism informative content (PIC) adalah 0,579. Keseimbangan Hardy-Weinberg menunjukkan bahwa lokus yang digunakan dalam sapi bali di tiga populasi berada dalam kesetimbangan, kecuali lokus INRA037 dan ETH185. Keragaman genetik antara populasi pada sapi Bali adalah 0,033 (3%), sedangkan laju inbreeding adalah 0,296 (29,6%). Pohon filogenetik di tiga populasi menunjukkan bahwa populasi sapi Bali di BPTU Bali dan VBC Barru memiliki jarak genetik yang dekat dibandingkan dengan populasi sapi Bali di BPT-HMT Serading Sumbawa. Hasil penelitian ini memberikan informasi bahwa karakteristik pusat peternakan sapi bali di tiga pusat peternakan adalah berbeda, sehingga diperlukan program pemuliaan yang terarah di setiap populasi pusat pembibitan sapi bali.

Kata kunci: sapi Bali, keragaman genetik, mikrosatelit

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### **INTRODUCTION**

Indonesia has been known as a megabiodiversity country which have rich genetic resources including livestock diversity. Bali cattle is one of indigenous cattle and the domestic descendant of the wild banteng (*Bos sondaicus*). Population of Bali cattle in 2011 was 4.789.521 and spreaded out in some region in Indonesia (Directorate General of Livestok and Animal Health, 2011). Breeding location of Bali cattle in Indonesia is divided into two main breeding centres which are BPTU in Bali Province and BPT-HMT in Sumbawa. An additional breeding center is also provided as Village Breeding Centre (VBC) in South Sulawesi. Genetic information of Bali cattle in national breeding centres was needed to arrange national breeding programmes and policy of Bali cattle.

Ecological characteristics and global or local environment affect the natural populations of gene flow, whereas human activities have strong influence in cattle genetic change (Stofer et al., 2007; Berthouly et al., 2009). Unmanage crossing of Bali cattle and disorganize distribution of Bali cattle can threat genetic erotion and increasing breeding rate of those genetic resource. This genetic stochasticity or genetic changes can be caused by random genetic drift and high rate of inbreeding. Shaffer (1981) that genetic stochasticity is the genetic lost of some variablity of economic alleles and the increasing of disadvantage alleles. Genetic characterizations based on microsatellite were needed to prevent those effects in Bali cattle in breeding centres in Indonesia. Microsatellites for cattle are commonly used for the study of genetic diversity (Xuebin et al., 2005; Qi, 2004; Nguyen et al., 2005).

Microsatellite is an ideal marker because they are highly polymorphic, randomly spread out, co-dominant, and almost evenly distributed throughout the genome (Dani *et al.*, 2008; Stevanovic *et al.*, 2010; Guichoux *et al.*, 2011). Another term of microsatellites are known as simple sequence repeats or short tandem repeats (Kelkar *et al.*, 2010). Microsatellites markers are widely used for such purposes because they are easy to analyze, can identify genetic diversity between and within populations, cheap, fast, and highly accurate (Radko *et al.*, 2005; Kimberly & Robert, 2006; Xiaojuan *et al.*, 2007).

Genetic diversities based on microsatellite marker in exotic cattle have been reported for Europe cattle (Canon *et al.*, 2001), Chinese indigenous cattle (Zhang *et al.*, 2007), Vietnam indigenous cattle (Pham *et al.*, 2013) and Indonesia (Handiwirawan *et al.*, 2003; Maskur *et al.*, 2007; Kusdiantoro *et al.*, 2009; and Winaya *et al.*, 2010). However, the sample number for Indonesian cattle in those previous research was very limited and the cattles were collected from local farmers. Therefore, the research in breeding center is needed to identify genetic diversity of Bali cattle as a strategic breeding program. The aim of this research is to implement microsatellite marker in Bali cattle population from three different breeding centre locations based on microsatellite marker.

# MATERIALS AND METHODS

#### Sampling Collection

A number of 95 samples of Bali cattle collected from three different breeding centres were used in this research, 32 were from BPTU Bali Province, 32 from BPT-HMT Sumbawa, and 31 from Village Breeding Centre South Sulawesi.

#### **DNA Extraction and Amplification**

Blood samples were taken from vena jugularis and placed in ependorf tube containing EDTA as anticoagulant. Method of DNA extraction is phenol-chloroform (Sambrook *et al.*, 1989). Microsatellite markers according to Table 1 were chosen from the panel of standardized markers recommended by the Molecular Genetic Characterization of Animal Resources (FAO, 2011). Microsatellite loci, label, and size range were shown in Table 1. Microsatellite was chosen by recommendation of FAO that has not been used in Bali cattle.

PCR was performed in 30  $\mu$ L final volume contained 0.5  $\mu$ L forward and reverse primer, 0.5  $\mu$ L M13 fluorescently (FAM, HEX, TAMRA, TET) and 15  $\mu$ L green taq master mix PCR kit. PCR condition was performed in thermal cycler machine at predenaturation 95 °C for 5 min, denaturation at 95 °C for 45 s, annealing at 60 °C for 45 s, early extention at 72 °C for 1 min, final extention at 72 °C for 5 min, with 35 cycles.

# Genotyping

The result of amplification microsatellites was verified by electrophoresis method by using 1.5% agarose gel in 5X TBE buffer. Allelel size in all samples was determined by using labelled fragment fluorescently

Table 1. Microsatellite loci, position in chromosome, sequence primer, alleles range, and M13

Loci	Chromosom	Sequence (5'-3') Forward Reverse	Alleles ranges (bp)	Label
INRA037	10	GATCCTGCTTATATTTAACCAC AAAATTCCATGGAGAGAGAAAC	112-148	HEX
MM12	9	CAAGACAGGTGTTTCAATCT ATCGACTCTGGGGATGATGT	101-145	TET
ETH185	17	TGCATGGACAGAGCAGCCTGGC GCACCCCAACGAAAGCTCCCAG	214-246	TAMRA
SPS115	15	AAAGTGACAACAACAGCTTCTCCAG AACGAGTGTCCTAGTTTGGCTGTG	104-158	FAM

Note: FAO 2011

method in Biosystem Genetic Analyzer. Microsatellite genotyping was interpretated by using GeneMapper.

## **Statistical Analysis**

The results obtained from the genetic analyses, general population statistics such as genotype frequencies, allele number, effective allele number, allele frequencies, Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium, expected and observed heterozygosity, inbreeding coefficient index between and within population and polymorphism information content were calculated by using GENEPOP 1.2 (Yeh *et al.*, 1999) and Cervus (Kalinoski *et al.*, 2007). Genetic distance and dendogram were analyzed by POPTREE (Takezaki *et al.*, 2010). Dendogram was constructed by UPGMA (Unweighted Pair Group method with Arithmetic Mean) method with 1000 bootstrap.

## **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

# Loci Polymorphism and Population Genetic Variation

A total of three alleles were found in the INRA037, SPS115, MM12, and ETH185 32 alleles with avarege 8 alleles per loci. Tolal alleles that had been found in SPS115, MM12, INRA037, and ETH185 were 10 alleles, 2 alleles, 14 alleles, and 6 alleles in all populations respectively. The results from those four microsatellite loci analysis showed that genetics diversity of Bali cattle in breeding centers were polymorphic. It means all microsatellite loci have more than one allele.

Polymorfism was confirmed in other breed as number of alleles, such as: INRA037 (10 alleles), SPS115 (14 alleles), MM12 (15 alleles), and ETH185 (17 alleles) in Vietnamese indigenous cattle (Pham *et al.*, 2013). Whrease, Angus breed had 11 alleles in SPS115 and 10 alleles in INRA037, Brangus breed had 8 alleles in SPS115 and 16 alleles in INRA037 (Alba *et al.*, 2010), and Holstein cattle had 8 alleles in SPS115 (Řehout *et al.*, 2006).

The results for the four microsatellite loci per populations showed BPTU Bali population had 25 alleles with average per loci of 6.25, BPT-HMT Serading Sumbawa population 26 alleles with average of 6.50, and VBC Barru 23 alleles with average of 5.75 (Table 2). Number of alleles per loci and per population in the SPS115 were found based on the population of Bali cattle in breeding center in Indonesia. They were 6 allele in BPTU Bali, 8 alleles in BPT-HMT and 8 alleles in VBC Barru District. It means the spesific alleles G and H were found only in BPT-HMT Serading, and H and J were found only in VBC Barru based on the SPS115. As for INRA037, specific alleles F, M, and N were detected only in BPTU Bali and specific alleles A was detected only in BPT-HMT Serading. It was found 11 alleles in BPTU Bali population, 10 alleles in BPT-HMT Serading population and VBC Barru population for INRA037. There was no specific allele at MM12 and ETH185 on all Bali cattle population. Four microsatellite loci are effectively used for the evaluation of genetics diversity (Pham et al., 2013) including Bali cattle. Jakaria et al. (2011) stated that 17 microsatellite loci were effective for sheep diversity detection (Jakaria *et al.*, 2012). However, at this study, the loci MM12 has only two alleles, so loci MM12 is not effective microsatellite loci for detecting genetic diversity in Bali cattle.

SPS115 locus had allele about 259-305 bp sized. Based on FAO 2011, size of allele are about 234-258 bp, so all alleles have the same size. FAO also detected that alelles on locus MM12 had the same size. In this research, the size of alleles on locus MM12 was about 121-123 bp, but based on FAO 2011 was about 101-145 bp. The size of alleles on locus INRA037 was about 132-162 bp, but based on FAO was about 112-148 pb. So, there were five alleles on different locus INRA037, they are I (150 bp), J (152), K (154 bp), L (156 bp), and M (162 bp). The size of alleles on locus ETH185 are about 230-256 bp, but based on FAO (2011) was about 214-246 bp. There was only one allele that exceed, it is alleles F (256 bp). Finnaly, there were 16 alleles on Bali cattle in three different breeding center in Indonesia according to FAO recommendation (2011).

Table 2. Alleles frequency of Bali cattle in different populations

	Alleles	Population					
Loci	simbol	BPTU Bali	BPT-HMT Serading	VBC Barru			
SPS115		n= 28	n= 24	n= 26			
	259(A)	4 (6.2%)	5 (7.8%)	1 (1.6%)			
	261(B)	16 (25%)	15 (23.4%)	25 (40.3%)			
	263(C)	9 (14.1%)	13 (20.3%)	5 (8.1%)			
	265(D)	23 (35.9%)	2 (3.1%)	10 (16.1%)			
	267(E)	3 (4.6%)	3 (4.6%)	5 (8.1%)			
	269(F)	1(1.5%)	8 (12.5%)	4 (6.4%)			
	271(G)		1 (1.5%)*				
	301(H)			1 (1.6%)*			
	303(I)		1 (1.5%)*				
	305(J)			1 (1.6%)*			
MM12	. ,	n= 32	n= 32	n= 31			
	121(A)	3 (4.6%)	2 (3.1%)	5 (8.1%)			
	123(B)	61 (95.4%)	62 (96.9%)	57 (91.9%)			
INRA037	~ /	n= 31	n= 27	n= 31			
	132(A)	2 (3.1%)		1 (1.6%)			
	134(B)		1 (1.5%)	1 (1.6%)			
	136(C)	10 (15.6%)	5 (7.8%)	10 (16.1%)			
	140(D)	7 (10.9%)	4 (6.25%)	3 (4.8%)			
	142(E)	6 (9.4%)	7 (10.9%)	2 (3.2%)			
	144(F)	5 (7.8%)	13 (20.3%)	7 (11.3%)			
	146(G)		1 (1.5%)	8 (12.9%)			
	148(H)	14 (21.8%)	4 (6.2%)	6 (9.6%)			
	150(I)	()	3 (4.7%)*	- (*****)			
	152(J)	9 (14.1%)	10 (15.6%)	9 (14.5%)			
	154(K)	6 (9.4%)	6 (9.4%)	15 (24.19%)			
	156(L)	2 (3.1%)*	0 (00000)	( /)			
	162(M)	1 (1.5%)*					
ETH185	102(111)	n= 29	n= 25	n= 16			
2111100	230(A)	35 (54.6%)	20 (31.2%)	20 (32.2%)			
	232(B)	2 (3.1%)	3 (4.7%)	_0 (02.270)			
	232(D) 236(C)	2 (3.1%) 3 (4.7%)	4 (6.2%)				
	238(C) 238(D)	11 (17.2%)	4 (0.2 %) 9 (14.1%)	6 (9.7%)			
	240(E)	4 (6.2%)	7 (10.9%)	6 (9.7%)			
	240(E) 256(F)	4 (0.2 %) 3 (4.7%)	6 (9.4%)	0 (2.7 /0)			

Note: \*Specific Alleles

### **Genetics Diversity Among Populations**

Genetic variation of Bali cattle is presented in Table 3. All population at locus SPS115 and MM12 were in Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium. At locus INRA037 and ETH185, only population in BPTU Bali cattle was in Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium because population of Bali cattle in BPT-HMT Serading VBC Barru were deviated. BPTU Bali cattle population following Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium means the specific conditions. They are no selection, migration, inbreeding and genetic drift. According to Pham et al. (2003), factors that effect Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium were inbreeding, genetic drift, and selection. The population expressed in constant Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium from generation to generation if the genotype frequency (p<sup>2</sup>, 2pq, and  $q^2$ ) and allele frequency (p and q) were resulted from the merger of gametes randomly in large population. Otherwise if accumulation of genotype, population dividing, mutation, selection, migration and mating in same group/population (endogamy) are happened, it can lead unequilibrium of genotype frequency or allele in population (Falconer & Mackay, 1996).

Heterozygosity value is the most accurate parameter for measuring genetic variation, while genetic variation on population is measured by an average of heterozygosity in more than one locus (Nei & Kumar, 2000). Average value of heterozygosity at each breeding center of Bali cattle is in a low range (0.34 to 0.46), that was in accordance with Javanmard *et al.* (2005) where the value of heterozygosity was less than 0.50.

BPTU Bali cattle was a population which had the highest average of heterozygosity value among other populations (Table 3). Average of heterozygosity value at BPTU Bali cattle population was 0.46 with average of expected heterozygosity value was 0.34. It is because the high variation genetic at locus SPS115 (0.57) and INRA037 (0.70) in BPTU Bali cattle population. Population of Bali cattle in BPT-HMT Serading and Village Breeding Center Barru had low heterozygosity value at four microsatellite locus because it was under expected value. The highest heterozygosity value was found at locus SPS115 and the lowest was found at locus MM12. Observed heterozygosity value which is lower than expected heterozygosity value indicatates the degree of endogamy (mating at the group) influenced from intensive selection process (Machado *et al.*, 2003).

Heterozygosity value was found at Bali cattle in this research. However, it was low category compared to cattle in other developing countries, Cina local cattle (He= 0.73) (Zhang *et al.*, 2007) and Ethiophia local cattle (Dadi *et al.*, 2008), and Europhean cattle (0.61 to 0.71) (Canon *et al.*, 2001). However, it was similar to Japanese black cattle (He= 0.4) (Kim *et al.*, 2002). Based on that result (Table 3), population of Bali cattle in three breeding centers had low heterozygosity value at four mirosatellite locus. This is due to limited Bali cattle sample number.

The inbreeding rate in all three populations of breeding center of Bali cattle were quite high based on the analysis of four microsatellite loci used. They were 0.296 for  $F_{is}$  and 0.319 for rate inbreeding total  $(F_{it})$  as presents in Table 4. Average value of observed heterozygosity and expected heterozygosity at Bali cattle showed low category with average of variety value 0.33  $(F_{st})$ . This is because mating system was not directed in every population at breeding centres of Bali cattle. High of inbreeding rate will tend to eliminate genetic variation.

Polymorphism informative content (PIC) (Table 4) were in a ranged 0.095-0.867 with average 0.579. Microsatellite loci INRA037 was microsatellite loci with the highest PIC value (0.867) and the highest number of amplified alleles (13 alleles). Locus SPS115 had PIC value of 0.744, but it is better than locus ETH185 (0.613) and locus MM12 (0.095) (Table 5). It means that INRA037 is most effective locus and MM12 is the least effective locus for Bali cattle identification based on PIC value.

Population	Loci	N	N <sub>a</sub>	N <sub>e</sub>	H <sub>o</sub>	H <sub>e</sub>	SA	HW
BPTU Sapi Bali	SPS115	28	6	3.51	0.57	0.73	0	ns
	MM12	32	2	1.09	0.09	0.09	0	ns
	INRA037	31	11	7.33	0.70	0.87	3	ns
	ETH185	29	6	2.43	0.48	0.59	0	ns
	Average	30	6.25	3.25	0.46	0.57		
BPT-HMT Sumbawa	SPS115	24	8	4.62	0.70	0.80	2	ns
	MM12	32	2	1.06	0.06	0.06	0	ns
	INRA037	27	10	6.91	0.66	0.87	1	*
	ETH185	25	6	3.95	0.24	0.76	0	*
	Average	27	6.5	4.13	0.41	0.62		
VBC Barru Distric	SPS115	26	8	3.40	0.65	0.72	2	ns
	MM12	31	2	1.17	0.09	0.15	0	ns
	INRA037	31	10	6.74	0.61	0.86	0	*
	ETH185	16	3	2.16	0.00	0.55	0	*
	Average	26	5.75	3.37	0.34	0.57		

Table 3. Genetic parameters of Bali cattle in different populations

Note: N=Number of samples; N<sub>a</sub>= Number of alleles observation; N<sub>a</sub>= Effective allele; H<sub>a</sub>= observed heterozygote; H<sub>a</sub>= expected heterozygote; SA= spesific alleles; HW= Hardy-weinberg equilibrium; ns= not significant; \*significant at P<0.05.

Table 4. The polymorphism of microsatellite loci in Bali cattle

Lokus	N	N <sub>a</sub>	N	Heterozigositas				DIC
			N <sub>e</sub>	H	H <sub>e</sub>	Г Г <sub>is</sub>	F <sub>st</sub>	PIC
SPS115	78	10	4.43	0.641	0.779	0.123	0.053	0.744
MM12	95	2	1.11	0.084	0.100	0.151	0.008	0.095
INRA037	89	14	8.29	0.663	0.884	0.226	0.025	0.867
ETH185	70	6	2.84	0.285	0.653	0.614	0.023	0.613
Average	166	8	4.16	0.418	0.604	0.296	0.033	0.579

Note: N=Number of samples;  $N_a$ = Number of alleles observation;  $N_e$ = Effective allele;  $H_o$ = observed heterozygote;  $H_e$ = expected heterozygote;  $F_{is}$ = inbreeding coefficient index;  $F_{is}$ = genetic differentiation index; PIC= Polymorphism Information Content.

#### **Genetics Relationship**

Diagram of the relationship of genetic distance in a population of Bali cattle breeding centers are presented in Figure 1. Four microsatellite loci were able to separate the Bali cattle population in BPTU Bali, BPT-HMT Serading and VBC Barru. Table 5 shows a very high genetic similarity values in three breeding centers of Bali cattle. It represents the similarity of genetic characteristics in the three breeding centers. Although the genetic distance in the three genetic breeding center was very low, it still can be used to characterize the differences among populations. The differences is also depicted on the genetic tree (phylogenetic).

Genetic tree (philogenetic) based on allele frequency at each population showed that the closest on genetic distance of population was found in BPTU Bali cattle and VBC Barru (0.0556), while genetic distance of BPTU Bali cattle and BPT-HMT was the farthest (0.0898). Values of genetic distance at three populations showed the close genetic characteristic relationship between Bali cattle population in BPTU Bali and VBC Barru. It can be explained that those two breeding centers use the same semen from BBIB Singosari bull, where this bull is the the best bull for Bali cattle in BPTU.

#### CONCLUSION

The highest diversity of microsatellite loci for Bali cattle were for INRA037, SPS115, but ETH 185 loci had low diversity loci. Meanwhile, the lowest diversity was for MM12. The diversity in each population could be used as an evident for the discovery of some specific alleles. There was a genetic distance among Bali cattle population in three breeding center in Indonesia.

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- Figure 1. Genetic relationship among breeding center of Bali cattle population analyzed in this study. POPTREE2 based on Takezaki *et al.* (2010) UPGMA (Unweighted Pair Group method with Arithmetic Mean) method with 1000 bootstrap.
- Table 5. Genetic distance of Bali cattle in breeding center population

Populasi	BPTU Bali	BPT-HMT Serding	VBC Barru District	
BPTU Bali	****	0.914	0.946	
BPT-HMT Serding	0.090	****	0.929	
VBC Barru Distric	0.056	0.073	****	

Note: Nei's (1972) genetic identity (above diagonal) and genetic distance (below diagonal).

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