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## **A combined genotype of three SNPs in the bovine *PPARD* gene is related to growth performance in Chinese cattle**

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**Table S1. Details of primers used for RT-PCR and SNP detection in bovine *PPARD* gene.**

Name	Primer sequence (5'-3')	Size (bp)	T <sub>m</sub> (°C)	Used for
<b>Bovine-TUBAIA</b>	F:GGAGGTTTCGCACTGGCAC R:CGCCTTGCCAATGGTGTAG	107	54	RT-PCR for TUBAIA
<b>Bovine-β-actin</b>	F:CTGGGCGTAATGGTGGGC R:CTGATGCCGTGCTCAATGG	112	54	RT-PCR for β-actin
<b>PPARD-mRNA</b>	F:GTGATCCACGACATCGAGACG R:GCACTGGCAGCGGTAGAAG	120	54	RT-PCR for PPARD
<b>PPARB-P1</b>	F:TCCTGTCTTCCCTTTCGTCC R:GGAGACAACCTCGCCAAGAT	427	59	(nt71361-71787) Partial intron 1 and 2; exon 2
<b>PPARB-P2</b>	F:GAGACTGAACCTCGGAAAGG R:TTCGCAGTGGATCTGGTCT	582	56	(nt79690-80271) Partial intron 2 and 3; exon 3
<b>PPARB-P3</b>	F:ATTGTTTTACTTTCCTTCTGCCTCT R:GCTTTTCACACCTTGTCCGG	645	60	(nt80758-81402) Partial intron 3 and 4; exon 4
<b>PPARB-P4</b>	F:TAGACTCTGTGAACAAGATAGCCA R:TGGCAGCGGTAGAAGACG	670	57	(nt82121-82790) Partial intron 4 and 5; exon 5
<b>PPARB-P5</b>	F:CCACACGGCGGTGAGTGTC R:ATTGATACGTCTCCTTTTCCTTCT	778	62	(nt82491-83268) Partial intron 5 and 6; exon 6
<b>PPARB-P6</b>	F:CTGCCCATAGCCTTGTTAGT R:GAGCCAGAAGCCGTGAGT	554	55	(nt83818-84361) Partial intron 6 and exon 7
<b>PPARB-P7</b>	F:TCATTTACAAAGTGGGGGG R:CAATGTCTTTTCTTGTGCAGCAG	564	59	nt(-2146)-(-1583) Partial promoter region
<b>PPARB-P8</b>	F:TACTGAGACCATAGGCCACAATT R:CTGCCGAACCTACAGTCCGTG	601	61	nt(-1653)-(-1053) Partial promoter region
<b>PPARB-P9</b>	F:CCCCATTTACAGGGCAAGTATATT R:CCTGTTTCATCGCCAATACCC	624	58	nt(-1186)-(-563) Partial promoter region

**Table S2. Genetic characteristics of three SNPs detected in this study.**

SNPs	Breeds	Sample	Genotype frequencies			Allele frequency		HWE-P value*	PIC	H <sub>e</sub>	N <sub>e</sub>
<b>SNP 1</b>			<b>GG</b>	<b>GA</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>A</b>				
	NY	139	0.043	0.942	0.015	0.043	0.942	<b>106.582**</b>	0.375	0.500	1.998
	JX	141	0.454	0.518	0.028	0.454	0.518	<b>8.861*</b>	0.325	0.410	1.694
	LX	114	0.421	0.579	0.000	0.421	0.579	<b>17.384**</b>	0.327	0.411	1.699
	QC	30	0.700	0.300	0.000	0.700	0.300	0.141	0.223	0.255	1.342
	BH	30	0.567	0.333	0.100	0.567	0.333	0.201	0.315	0.391	1.642
GY	60	0.067	0.933	0.000	0.067	0.933	<b>43.339**</b>	0.374	0.498	1.991	
<b>SNP 2</b>			<b>AA</b>	<b>GA</b>	<b>GG</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>G</b>				
	NY	139	0.000	0.317	0.683	0.158	0.842	3.772	0.251	0.266	1.363
	JX	141	0.000	0.539	0.461	0.270	0.730	<b>17.719**</b>	0.316	0.394	1.650
	LX	114	0.000	0.430	0.570	0.215	0.785	<b>7.252*</b>	0.281	0.337	1.509
	QC	30	0.000	0.567	0.433	0.283	0.717	3.278	0.324	0.406	1.684
	BH	30	0.000	0.700	0.300	0.350	0.650	<b>6.976*</b>	0.352	0.455	1.835
GY	60	0.000	0.133	0.867	0.067	0.933	0.205	0.117	0.124	1.142	
<b>SNP 3</b>			<b>TT</b>	<b>TC</b>	<b>CC</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>C</b>				
	NY	139	0.151	0.612	0.237	0.457	0.543	<b>7.495*</b>	0.373	0.496	1.985
	JX	141	0.291	0.667	0.042	0.624	0.376	<b>24.977**</b>	0.359	0.469	1.884
	LX	114	0.281	0.631	0.088	0.597	0.403	<b>11.099**</b>	0.366	0.481	1.928
	QC	30	0.500	0.367	0.133	0.683	0.317	0.267	0.339	0.433	1.763
	BH	30	0.700	0.267	0.033	0.833	0.167	0.142	0.239	0.278	1.385
GY	60	0.033	0.450	0.517	0.258	0.742	1.169	0.310	0.383	1.621	

Not: SNP = Single Nucleotide Polymorphism; HWE = Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium; PIC = polymorphism information content; H<sub>e</sub> = heterozygosity; N<sub>e</sub> = effective allele numbers. JX = Jiaxian; LX = Luxi; NY = Nanyang; QC = Qinchuan; BH = Bohai; GY = Gaoyuan.  $\chi^2_{0.05} = 5.99$ ,  $\chi^2_{0.01} = 9.21$ , \* means the difference is significant at the 0.05 level. \*\* means the difference is significant at the 0.01 level.  $\chi^2 > 5.99$  means deviating from Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium (HWE) with significant level.  $\chi^2 > 9.21$  means deviating from HWE with highly significant level. PIC > 0.5 means high diversity, 0.25 < PIC < 0.5 means moderate diversity, PIC < 0.25 means low diversity.

**Table S3. Association analysis between SNPs loci of PPARD and growth traits in Henan cattle.**

Age (month)	Growth trait	SNP 1			SNP 2		SNP 3		
		GG (24)	GA (147)	AA (2)	AG (85)	GG (88)	TT (37)	TC (108)	CC (28)
0	WB (kg)	<b>27.921</b> ±	<b>30.219</b> ±	<b>33.750</b> ±	<b>29.107</b> ±	<b>30.747</b> ±	<b>28.608</b> ±	<b>30.269</b> ±	<b>30.439</b> ±
		<b>0.754</b> <sup>Bb</sup>	<b>0.305</b> <sup>A</sup>	<b>2.613</b> <sup>a</sup>	<b>0.402</b> <sup>B</sup>	<b>0.395</b> <sup>A</sup>	<b>0.615</b> <sup>b</sup>	<b>0.360</b> <sup>a</sup>	<b>0.706</b> <sup>a</sup>
6	BW (kg)	<b>174.875</b> ±	<b>161.626</b> ±	158.250 ±	<b>169.741</b> ±	<b>157.324</b> ±	162.730 ±	164.824 ±	158.946 ±
		<b>4.884</b> <sup>a</sup>	<b>1.974</b> <sup>b</sup>	16.920	<b>2.548</b> <sup>A</sup>	<b>2.504</b> <sup>B</sup>	3.992	2.336	4.589
	BH (cm)	101.583 ±	99.925 ±	108.000 ±	98.235 ±	102.193 ±	<b>95.324</b> ±	<b>101.185</b> ±	<b>103.143</b> ±
		2.482	1.003	8.596	1.302 <sup>b</sup>	1.279 <sup>a</sup>	<b>1.956</b> <sup>b</sup>	<b>1.145</b> <sup>a</sup>	<b>2.249</b> <sup>a</sup>
	BL (cm)	108.792 ±	106.687 ±	110.500 ±	108.306 ±	105.784 ±	<b>110.135</b> ±	<b>106.296</b> ±	<b>105.714</b> ±
		1.352	0.546	4.684	0.709 <sup>a</sup>	0.697 <sup>b</sup>	<b>1.063</b> <sup>A</sup>	<b>0.622</b> <sup>B</sup>	<b>1.222</b> <sup>B</sup>
	HG (cm)	<b>132.208</b> ±	<b>127.180</b> ±	126.500 ±	129.035 ±	126.744 ±	129.176 ±	127.769 ±	126.536 ±
		<b>2.060</b> <sup>a</sup>	<b>0.832</b> <sup>b</sup>	7.135	1.101	1.082	1.678	0.982	1.929
HW (cm)	<b>12.917</b> ±	<b>16.374</b> ±	<b>19.750</b> ±	13.835 ±	17.960 ±	<b>14.176</b> ±	<b>15.764</b> ±	<b>18.911</b> ±	
	<b>0.872</b> <sup>Bb</sup>	<b>0.352</b> <sup>A</sup>	<b>3.021</b> <sup>a</sup>	0.426 <sup>B</sup>	0.419 <sup>A</sup>	<b>0.692</b> <sup>C</sup>	<b>0.405</b> <sup>B</sup>	<b>0.796</b> <sup>A</sup>	
ADG (kg)	<b>0.816</b> ±	<b>0.726</b> ±	0.715 ±	0.780 ±	0.698 ±	0.744 ±	0.745 ±	0.705 ±	
	<b>0.027</b> <sup>A</sup>	<b>0.011</b> <sup>B</sup>	0.093	0.014 <sup>A</sup>	0.014 <sup>B</sup>	0.022	0.013	0.025	
12	BW (kg)	247.000 ±	239.929 ±	217.000 ±	240.141 ±	241.131 ±	240.784 ±	241.444 ±	237.375 ±
		5.190	2.097	17.980	2.776	2.729	4.214	2.467	4.844
	BH (cm)	113.958 ±	113.391 ±	115.000 ±	113.329 ±	113.642 ±	113.203 ±	113.435 ±	114.071 ±
		0.775	0.313	2.684	0.411	0.404	0.624	0.365	0.717
	BL (cm)	118.583 ±	116.952 ±	116.500 ±	117.306 ±	117.045 ±	<b>118.892</b> ±	<b>116.583</b> ±	117.179 ±
		1.046	0.423	3.622	0.557	0.548	<b>0.834</b> <sup>a</sup>	<b>0.488</b> <sup>b</sup>	0.958
	HG (cm)	145.917 ±	143.194 ±	140.500 ±	145.129 ±	142.006 ±	<b>147.243</b> ±	<b>142.514</b> ±	<b>142.607</b> ±
		1.483	0.599	5.137	0.775	0.761	<b>1.162</b> <sup>Aa</sup>	<b>0.68</b> <sup>B</sup>	<b>1.336</b> <sup>b</sup>
HW (cm)	<b>15.958</b> ±	<b>18.840</b> ±	21.000 ±	<b>16.641</b> ±	<b>20.227</b> ±	<b>16.486</b> ±	<b>18.509</b> ±	<b>20.911</b> ±	
	<b>0.846</b> <sup>B</sup>	<b>0.342</b> <sup>A</sup>	2.931	<b>0.419</b> <sup>B</sup>	<b>0.412</b> <sup>A</sup>	<b>0.666</b> <sup>C</sup>	<b>0.390</b> <sup>B</sup>	<b>0.766</b> <sup>A</sup>	
ADG (kg)	0.401 ±	0.435 ±	0.326 ±	<b>0.391</b> ±	<b>0.466</b> ±	0.434 ±	0.426 ±	0.436 ±	
	0.032	0.013	0.112	<b>0.017</b> <sup>B</sup>	<b>0.016</b> <sup>A</sup>	0.026	0.015	0.030	

18	BW (kg)	294.458 ±	305.020 ±	335.000 ±	301.047 ±	306.659 ±	303.703 ±	302.472 ±	309.679 ±
		6.357	2.569	22.022	3.398	3.339	5.168	3.025	5.941
BH (cm)	119.833 ±	120.724 ±	124.000 ±	<b>119.894 ±</b>	<b>121.358 ±</b>	120.541 ±	120.509 ±	121.268 ±	
	0.697	0.282	2.416	<b>0.364<sup>B</sup></b>	<b>0.358<sup>A</sup></b>	0.565	0.331	0.650	
BL (cm)	125.500 ±	127.371 ±	131.000 ±	127.206 ±	127.102 ±	127.351 ±	126.755 ±	128.429 ±	
	1.084	0.438	3.754	0.580	0.570	0.876	0.513	1.007	
HG (cm)	157.917 ±	159.412 ±	154.000 ±	158.865 ±	159.409 ±	159.892 ±	<b>158.083 ±</b>	<b>162.232 ±</b>	
	1.649	0.666	5.711	0.877	0.862	1.309	<b>0.766<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>1.505<sup>a</sup></b>	
HW (cm)	<b>19.458 ±</b>	<b>21.946 ±</b>	23.500 ±	<b>20.341 ±</b>	<b>22.852 ±</b>	<b>19.824 ±</b>	<b>21.625 ±</b>	<b>23.964 ±</b>	
	<b>0.792<sup>B</sup></b>	<b>0.320<sup>A</sup></b>	2.743	<b>0.408<sup>B</sup></b>	<b>0.401<sup>A</sup></b>	<b>0.620<sup>c</sup></b>	<b>0.363<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>0.713<sup>a</sup></b>	
ADG (kg)	<b>0.264 ±</b>	<b>0.362 ±</b>	<b>0.656 ±</b>	0.338 ±	0.364 ±	0.350 ±	<b>0.339 ±</b>	<b>0.402 ±</b>	
	<b>0.029<sup>B</sup></b>	<b>0.012<sup>A</sup></b>	<b>0.100<sup>C</sup></b>	0.016	0.016	0.024	<b>0.014<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>0.028<sup>a</sup></b>	
24	BW (kg)	<b>347.417 ±</b>	<b>367.500 ±</b>	<b>410.000 ±</b>	<b>358.612 ±</b>	<b>371.574 ±</b>	363.405 ±	362.894 ±	376.500 ±
		<b>8.677<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>3.506<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>30.059<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>4.635<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>4.556<sup>a</sup></b>	7.080	4.144	8.139
BH (cm)	124.833 ±	126.133 ±	127.500 ±	<b>125.212 ±</b>	<b>126.699 ±</b>	125.473 ±	125.824 ±	127.179 ±	
	0.788	0.318	2.729	<b>0.413<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>0.406<sup>a</sup></b>	0.633	0.370	0.728	
BL (cm)	136.167 ±	136.486 ±	136.500 ±	137.165 ±	135.744 ±	136.838 ±	135.847 ±	138.214 ±	
	1.307	0.528	4.529	0.688	0.677	1.043	0.611	1.199	
HG (cm)	<b>166.208 ±</b>	<b>170.724 ±</b>	167.500 ±	168.941 ±	171.142 ±	<b>168.919 ±</b>	<b>169.319 ±</b>	<b>174.429 ±</b>	
	<b>1.664<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>0.672<sup>a</sup></b>	5.763	0.890	0.875	<b>1.327<sup>B</sup></b>	<b>0.777<sup>B</sup></b>	<b>1.526<sup>A</sup></b>	
HW (cm)	<b>21.875 ±</b>	<b>24.524 ±</b>	26.250 ±	<b>23.047 ±</b>	<b>25.267 ±</b>	<b>22.676 ±</b>	<b>24.236 ±</b>	<b>25.929 ±</b>	
	<b>0.791<sup>B</sup></b>	<b>0.320<sup>A</sup></b>	2.741	<b>0.414<sup>B</sup></b>	<b>0.407<sup>A</sup></b>	<b>0.635<sup>Cc</sup></b>	<b>0.372<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>0.730<sup>Aa</sup></b>	
ADG (kg)	0.294 ±	0.347 ±	0.417 ±	0.320 ±	0.361 ±	0.332 ±	0.336 ±	0.371 ±	
	0.033	0.013	0.114	0.017	0.017	0.027	0.016	0.031	

Notes: capital letter means differ of the value at  $P < 0.01$ ; lowercase letter means differ of the value at  $P < 0.05$ . WB = weight of birth; BW = body weight; BH = body height; BL = body length; HG = heart girth; HW = hip width; ADG = average daily gain.