Time trends in genomic variation for commercial pig lines

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Introduction

• Past positive selection generally detected from present time molecular data.
• Gene bank samples give access to the recent temporal dynamics of allele frequencies.
• Improves detection and annotation of selection events.
• Case study: french sire (LWM) and dam (LWF) Large White lines, comparison of sequences from 1977 and 2012 to 2016.
• New method for time series genomic data, developed within IMAGE H2020 project (PhD Cyriel Paris).
Experimental design

1977: 10 males sequenced at 12X

1995: lines created

2014-2015: 13 males sequenced at 19X

2012 - 2016: 13 males sequenced at 19X
Variant calling

**Genome - wide analyzes:** 13,408,342 high quality autosomal SNPs
- Found by 3 different callers: samtools, GATK, freeBayes.
- Standard GATK quality filters, bi-allelic.
- Call rate >90% (GQ > 20).

**Candidate region analyzes:** 28,203,009 autosomal SNPs and indels
- Found by at least one of the 3 different callers.
- Unfiltered
- No call rate threshold (GQ > 10).
Genetic diversity

- **Effective size** (1977 – 2014) estimated using R package NB (Hui and Burt, 2015): 80 diploids in LWF, 73 in LWM.

- **Polymorphic sites:** 83 % in 1977 (7 % private), 79 % in LWF (5 % private), 76 % in LWM (4 % private).

- 3 groups **well differentiated**
Methods for detecting selection

1977

df_LWF (Paris et al, 2019)

2012 - 2016

df_LWM (Paris et al, 2019)

2014 - 2015

FLK / hapFLK
(Fariello et al, 2013)
Methods for detecting selection

• For all tests, a **p-value** quantifying the evidence for selection is provided at each SNP.
• HapFLK: significant SNPs detected at a False Discovery Rate (FDR) of 15%.
• FLK: only used to analyse candidate regions in details (little power genome-wide).
• df_LWF/M: significant clusters of low p-values detected with a local score approach (Fariello et al, 2017).
Candidate regions: overview

• 30 genomic regions detected by at least one test.
• 7 only in LWF, 4 only in LWM, 17 convergent, 2 divergent.
• Median size 177kb (962bp – 3.2Mb).
• 148 genes in total.
Example 1: IGF2 region (chr 2)

Known mutation affecting muscle growth, fat deposition and heart size (Van Laere et al, 2003)
Zoom on IGF2 region

Strong shift of allele frequencies in the two lines, but no signal of differentiation

Highest signal around IGF2
IGF2: Haplotype diversity evolution

Convergent selection: same haplotype fixed in the two lines
Example 2: SOX5 region

SOX5: embryonic development, chondrogenesis
Zoom on SOX5 region

Strong differentiation between lines, several candidate SNPs with high FLK.
SOX5: Haplotype diversity evolution

Divergent selection: distinct haplotypes in the two lines
Candidate genes

Several regions with a single gene or a clear local peak on a gene, for instance here SEMA3E (cardiac and vascular development).
Conclusions & perspectives

• Evidence of population differentiation and slight loss of genetic diversity since 1977 (approx 7 % SNPs).
• 30 candidate regions under positive selection.
• Selection often convergent between lines:
  • between 1977 – 1995?
• Ongoing enrichment analysis to highlight functional differences between genes selected in LWF vs LWM.
• Many regions with interesting candidate genes.
• Causal variants can be looked for thanks to whole genome sequencing.
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