Microsatellite primers in the native perennial herb, *Antennaria plantaginifolia* (Asteraceae)\(^1\)

[no more than 125 characters; after a species name, include family name in parentheses]

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- Premise of the study (why the work was done)
- Methods and Results
- Conclusions (If applicable, briefly mention other related species in which the markers also amplify.)

Avoid references; if essential, cite parenthetically with journal name, volume number, pages, and year.

Here is a sample abstract:

- **Premise of the study:** Microsatellite primers were developed in a native perennial herb, *Antennaria plantaginifolia*, to investigate potential hybridization events with related taxa promoting the evolution of polyploidy within the genus.

- **Methods and Results:** Using a non-radioactive protocol, 16 primer sets were identified in North American populations of *A. plantaginifolia*. The primers amplified di-, tri-, and pentanucleotide repeats with 1-11 alleles per locus. Most primers also amplified in *A. neglecta, A. solitaria, A. virginica, A. parlinii, and A. neodioica*.

- **Conclusions:** These results indicate the utility of primers in *A. plantaginifolia* for future studies of polyploidy and hybridization as well as their applicability across the genus.

**Key words:** *Antennaria plantaginifolia*; hybridization; perennial herb; polyploidy.

[List 3 to 6 key words here in alphabetical order, separated by semicolons.]
INTRODUCTION

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METHODS AND RESULTS

The combined Methods and Results section will consist of no more than five paragraphs. In the first one to three paragraphs of this section, the methods used to develop the genetic markers should be described. The description of methods must contain enough detail that other botanists can replicate the results; this includes the DNA extraction method, specific quantities of chemicals used for amplification, temperature conditions for amplification, and source information for chemicals and supplies (including the location [city, state/province, country] of the supplier). The number and geographic origin of samples analyzed (using GPS decimal degrees or to the nearest second) must also be included, either here within the text, as an appendix (in the case of multiple samples or populations), or as a footnote on Table 2 (see below). Voucher specimens are also required, unless their absence can be suitably justified (as in the case of an extremely rare species); this explanation should be provided in the authors’ cover letter and in the manuscript text.
In the final one to two paragraphs of this section, the authors must demonstrate the usefulness of their primers, by testing all primers on a reasonable number of individuals, e.g., more than five individuals per population and two or more populations, unless the species being studied is extremely rare. Data on the number and frequency of alleles detected for at least 10 primer pairs (including both monomorphic and polymorphic primers) should be reported, in the case of microsatellite and SNP markers.

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In this section, the author(s) should clearly state in one paragraph the main conclusions that have been reached, focusing on the effectiveness and applicability of the markers being described.

LITERATURE CITED

[no more than 15; authors must cite papers reporting markers in the same species]


STEVENS, P. F. 2001 onward. Angiosperm phylogeny website, version 8, June 2007 [more or less continuously updated]. Website http://www.mobot.org/MOBOT/research/APweb/ [accessed 00 Month Year].

TURNER, B. L., AND R. M. KING. 1977. Chromosome numbers in the Compositae. VIII. Mexican and


**Tables**

For marker development papers, two tables should be presented. One should contain the names of the forward and reverse primers, their DNA sequences, fragment size range, annealing temperatures, and GenBank ID. Other information should also be included as necessary for specific marker types (e.g. repeat motifs for microsatellite markers and polymorphism information [A/T] for SNPs). If primers have been developed using EST sequence data, the putative function of each locus must be given. The second table should report the number of alleles and observed heterozygosity in each population surveyed. In species expected to be primarily outcrossing, results of tests for departures from single-locus Hardy-Weinberg expectations and for departures from gametic equilibrium may be included. See example below.

Table 1. Characteristics of 16 microsatellite loci developed in *Antennaria plantaginifolia*.a

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Locus</th>
<th>Primer sequences (5′–3′)</th>
<th>Repeat motif</th>
<th>Size (bp)</th>
<th>$T_a$ (°C)</th>
<th>GenBank accession no.</th>
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<td>(GT)$_{16}$</td>
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<td>Primer B5</td>
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*Note:* $T_a$ = annealing temperature.
All values are based on 50 samples representing North American populations located in Florida, Tennessee, and Michigan (\(N = 14–20\) for each).

Table 2. Genetic properties of the newly developed eight microsatellites of *Ranunculus bulbosus*.\(^a\)

| Locus  | \(A\) | \(H_o\) | \(H_e\) | | \(A\) | \(H_o\) | \(H_e\) | | \(A\) | \(H_o\) | \(H_e\) |
|--------|------|------|------| | | | | | | | |
| Rb204  | 4    | 0.077| 0.589| | 4 | 0.400| 0.640| | 14 | 0.163| 0.742|
| Rb206  | 7    | 0.143| 0.809| | 5 | 0.400| 0.680| | 13 | 0.192| 0.556|
| Rb302  | 2    | 0.000| 0.142| | 2 | 0.000| 0.278| | 7  | 0.26 | 0.527|
| Rb306  | 4    | 0.500| 0.556| | 4 | 0.429| 0.531| | 9  | 0.7  | 0.719|
| B127   | 7    | 0.571| 0.773| | 6 | 0.857| 0.755| | 13 | 0.818| 0.817|
| B129   | 11   | 0.286| 0.870| | 6 | 0.333| 0.806| | 37 | 0.657| 0.953|
| B134   | 16   | 0.615| 0.920| | 5 | 0.400| 0.760| | 63 | 0.588| 0.974|
| B145   | 13   | 0.714| 0.908| | 9 | 0.571| 0.857| | 44 | 0.714| 0.953|

Note: \(A\) = number of alleles sampled; \(H_e\) = expected heterozygosity; \(H_o\) = observed heterozygosity; \(n\) = number of individuals sampled.

\(^a\) Geographic coordinates for the populations are: L’Etivaz = 46.42964°N, 7.17680°E; Erschmatt = 46.31989°N, 7.68558°E; Burglauenen = 46.64726°N, 7.97194°E. All three populations are located in Switzerland.

**Figure and Legend**

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Appendix

[Shown below are examples of how multiple voucher specimens could be cited within an appendix.]

Appendix 2. Species, population voucher, municipality/state, country, and GPS coordinates of all samples used in this study. Abbreviations: AM = Amazonas; BA = Bahia; MG = Minas Gerais; MS = Mato Grosso do Sul; MT = Mato Grosso; PR = Paraná; SC = Santa Catarina; SP = São Paulo.

*Utricularia gibba*—UG3: Mogi das Cruzes/SP, Brazil (−23.532917, −46.143972); UG4: Mogi das Cruzes/SP, Brazil (−23.557844, −46.137386); UG5: Itararé/SP, Brazil (−24.084417, −49.201639); UG6: Guaratuba/PR, Brazil (−26.023625, −48.770411); UG7: São Bento do Sul/SC, Brazil (−26.361697, −49.388964); UG8: Corumbá/MS, Brazil (−19.008889, −57.652778); UG9: Presidente Figueiredo/AM, Brazil (−60.020556, −2.052489).

*Utricularia neottioides*—UN1: Chapada dos Guimarães/MT, Brazil (15.383333, −55.833333); UN2: Piatã/BA, Brazil (−13.151356, −41.758842); UN3: Santa Bárbara/MG, Brazil (−19.958889, −43.415000); UN4: Raudal Caldero/Amazonas, Venezuela (4.766667, −66.683333).

*Utricularia reniformis*—UR1: Salesópolis/SP, Brazil, (−23.649222, −46.137842); UR2: Biritiba-Mirim/SP, Brazil (−23.534294, −46.144850); UR3: Bananal/SP, Brazil (−22.751353, −46.126506); UR4: Mogi das Cruzes/SP, Brazil (−19.958889, −43.415000); UR5: Raudal Caldero/Amazonas, Venezuela (−25.245278, −48.834167); UR6: Corupá/SC, Brazil (−26.393211, −49.354878); UR7: Morretes/PR, Brazil (−25.127778, −48.820278).

*Utricularia subulata*—US1: Salesópolis/SP, Brazil (−23.556856, −46.137842); US2: Mogi das Cruzes/SP, Brazil (−23.534294, −46.144850); US3: Jaguariaíva/PR, Brazil (−19.958889, −43.415000); US4: Mogi das Cruzes/SP, Brazil (−19.958889, −43.415000).

Appendix 2. Voucher information for *Armeria* species used in this study.

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<th>Collection locality b</th>
<th>Geographic coordinates</th>
<th>No. of individuals</th>
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<td>Cabeza de Hierro, Madrid</td>
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<td>Pico del Lobo, Guadalajara</td>
<td>41°11’0.23”N, 3°27’58.91”W</td>
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<td>Morezón, Avila</td>
<td>40°14’56.13”N, 5°16’11.33”W</td>
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<td>Torrecerredo, Asturias</td>
<td>43°12’3.26”N, 4°50’53.19”W</td>
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<td>A. maritima</td>
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<td>Cabo Mayor, Santander</td>
<td>43°29’26.94”N, 3°47’26.27”W</td>
<td>5</td>
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</table>

Note: AG = Alfredo García, collector.

a Vouchers deposited at Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, Departamento de Biología y Geología, Germplasm bank.

b Locality and Spanish province.