

Additional file 8

Table S3: Primer description. (A) All primers applied for confirmation of hemocyanin exon-intron structure in *Helix pomatia* and *Lymnaea stagnalis* are listed. (B) Primer list applied for sequencing longer fragments via Sanger Sequencing.

(A)

<i>Primer</i>	<i>5'-3' sequence</i>	<i>T_m [°C]</i>
AN FU-b E6 S	AAC CCT ACA AGG CCC ACT GC	62.5
AN FU-b E6 AS	TTG ATG CCG TGG AGC TGG A	59.5
AN FU-a E5E6 S	GTG CCA ACT CAC CCC TCT GT	62.5
AN FU-a E5E6 AS	ACG CCG ATG TTG TGT AGA CTG A	62.1
AN FU-d E3E4 S	TCC GCC TTC GAC CCT GTC TT	62.5
AN FU-d E3E4 AS	TTC CGG GTC ACT TCA TCA GTG T	62.1
AD FU-c E3E4 S	CGG TGA GGT CGG TCA GGA GT	64.5
AD FU-c E3E4 AS	AGA CCT CAC TGC CTC CAA CC	62.5
AD FU-c E6E7 S	GGA GGA ACA CAA AGC CCA TGA T	62.1
AD FU-c E6E7 AS	CGA AGT AGC GGT CAT TGT AGC GA	64.6
B FU-h E6E8 S	TGG ATG AAG AAG GCC ACG AGT	61.2
B FU-h E6E8 AS	TTG TAC GAT TCA TTG ACT GCC	57.5
<i>Lymnaea stagnalis</i> _FU-c_Exon1 S	GCT GAC ACC ATC AAA ATC CGT A	60.1
<i>Lymnaea stagnalis</i> _FU-c_Exon2 AS	GCA GGA TTT CTT TAC CTC AGC A	60.1

(B)

<i>Primer</i>	<i>5'-3' sequence</i>
<i>AD FUC E3E4</i>	
SSequ1	ACGGTTTTTCGTTTCACAC
ASSequ1	CTACTCCTAACTCAAGCCT
<i>BFUh E6-E8</i>	
SSequ1	GACAAGAACGTTTGCAGTG
SSequ2	TTATACAGGCGACCAAAGC
SSequ3	GACCGGTGTATGGGCTGAA
ASSequ1	CTGTAACCAGCAAAACAGG
ASSequ2	GGCCAGACGGACACATAATA
ASSequ3	GCCGTTGAGTGAGCCTTCT

Table S4: Overview of PCR programs applied using the two different enzyme amplification systems. A) displays the doubtful sequence parts confirmed by LD PCR with the SuperFii system for HpH α D FU-c exon 3-4 and HpH β FU-h exon E6-E8. B) shows all fragments confirmed by applying the Advantage polymerase system. For HpH α N FU-b exon E6 and HpH α N FU-a exon E5-E6 a two-step protocol was used whereas for HpH α N FU-d exon E3 (60°C A_{TM}), HpH α D FU-c exon 6/7 (60°C A_{TM}) and the hygrophila-specific intron in LsH1 (58°C A_{TM}) a three-step protocol was necessary.

A)

<i>Step</i>	<i>Temp [°C]</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Temp [°C]</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Cycles</i>
	<i>aD FUC Exon 3-4</i>		<i>B FUh Exon E6-E8</i>		
Denaturation	98	5 min	98	5 min	1x
Denaturation	98	10 sec	98	10 sec	30x
Annealing	72	3 min	55.5	10 sec	
Extension			72	3 min	
Final Extension	72	5 min	72	5 min	1x

B)

<i>Two-Step protocol</i>				<i>Three-Step protocol</i>			
<i>Step</i>	<i>Temp [°C]</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Cycles</i>	<i>Step</i>	<i>Temp [°C]</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Cycles</i>
Denaturation	95	5 min	1x	Denaturation	95	5 min	1x
Denaturation	95	30 sec	30x	Denaturation	95	30 sec	30x
Annealing	68	1/2 min		Annealing	T	30 sec	
Extension				68	1/2 min		
Final Extension	68	5 min	1x	Final Extension	68	5 min	1x