

Domestic Animal Epigenetics Workshop

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Following the success of the first Animal Epigenetics workshop in ISAG 2008 and given that epigenetics is gaining a huge interest among the animal genetics community, the organizers decided to pursue a second epigenetics workshop. Over 90 people attended the workshop. The speakers represented different countries and different species and topics in animal epigenetics.

Program of the workshop:

Hasan Khatib, USA: Introduction

Martin Braunschweig, Switzerland: Nutritional effects on epigenetic modifications and

their inheritance in pigs

Ross Tellam, Australia: Genome-wide CHiP-SEQ Analysis of Histone 3 Lysine 27 Trimethylation During Ovine Skeletal Muscle Development Highlights Chromosome Organisation and Regulation of Gene Expression

Steve Bishop, UK: Exploring evidence for an imprinted QTL for muscle depth on OAR18 **Ning Li, China:** Genome-wide Differential DNA methylation in the Wild and Domestic chicken

Rainer Fürbass, Germany: The placenta-specific promoter of the bovine CYP19 gene is epigenetically repressed in caruncles and activated by the upstream stimulating factors 1 and 2 in trophoblasts

Suzanne Rowe, UK: Detecting imprinted QTL in general pedigrees: a cautionary tale

For the next ISAG meeting, we will propose the establishment of a standing committee for this workshop to promote collaborations among animal epigenetics researchers.