

Microsatellite fingerprinting of grapevine (*Vitis vinifera* L.) varieties of the Carpathian Basin

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Summary

Altogether 101 *Vitis vinifera* L. genotypes were analysed at 6 microsatellite loci (Scu8vv, Scu10vv, VVMD21, VVMD36, ssrVRZAG64, ssrVRZAG79). Ninety-seven were autochthonous accessions of the Carpathian Basin and 4 were international cultivars. The allele composition and sizes obtained with the 6 microsatellite primer pairs were appropriate for discrimination of 95 cultivars. Berry colour-variants of cvs Gohér (Gohér fehér-white and Gohér piros-red), Lisztes (Lisztes fehér and Lisztes piros) as well as the cvs Bakator (Bakator piros and Bakator tüdőszín - light red) were exceptions.

K e y w o r d s : microsatellite, SSR, *Vitis vinifera* L., genotyping.

Introduction

Microsatellite or SSR fingerprinting is an efficient method for molecular characterization (SEFC *et al.* 1998, 1999, Di GASPERO *et al.* 2000, MEREDITH 2001) since THOMAS and SCOTT (1993) published the first microsatellite markers applicable for grapevine variety identification. Many new sequences have been described using these molecular markers (BOWERS *et al.* 1996, SEFC *et al.* 1999, Di GASPERO *et al.* 2000, SCOTT *et al.* 2000, LEFORT *et al.* 2002, ARROYO-GARCIA and MARTINEZ-ZAPATER 2004). Their wide-range applicability is due to the even distribution of the repetitive motifs throughout the nuclear genome, high polymorphism, frequent occurrence, co-dominant inheritance and reproducibility (LEFORT and ROUBELAKIS-ANGELAKIS 2001, THOMAS and SCOTT 1993, CIPRIANI *et al.* 1994, SEFC *et al.* 1998, 1999). The fact that they can be given as allele sizes rather than DNA bands on gels renders microsatellites particularly convenient to handle (GRANDO and FRISINGHELLI 1998, MEREDITH 2001). Since these markers provide a unique DNA fingerprint (CIPRIANI *et al.* 1994) they have been used for cultivar identification (CRESPLAN 2004), for detection of clonal differences and verification of synonymies or homonyms (VIGNANI *et al.* 1996, REGNER *et al.* 2000 c, CRESPLAN and MILANI 2001, SCHNEIDER *et al.* 2001, FRANKS *et al.* 2002, ULANOVSKY *et al.* 2002).

Beside parentage and pedigree studies (SEFC *et al.* 1997, BOWERS *et al.* 1999, DETTWEILER *et al.* 2000, REGNER *et al.* 2000 a, PILJAC *et al.* 2002, KOZMA *et al.* 2003), archaeological

investigation concerning the origin of grapevine cultivation can also be based on microsatellite markers (MANEN *et al.* 2003).

Molecular markers can assist breeding programs by means of determining the origin and genetic distance of the cultivars (SEFC *et al.* 1998, BOWERS *et al.* 1999). SSR markers are also very useful tools in marker-based mapping of agonomic traits (ZYPRIAN *et al.* 2003). More and more SSR allele size data are accumulating not only for various *Vitis* species (LAMBOY and ALPHA 1998, DI GASPERO *et al.* 2000), but also for varieties cultivated in various parts of the world, e.g. in Europe (SEFC *et al.* 2000 b). Many useful results have been gathered in the microsatellite data collections originating from the molecular genotyping of varieties in viticultural countries of Europe such as Bulgaria (HVARLEVA *et al.* 2004), Croatia (MALETIC *et al.* 1999), Greece (LEFORT and ROUBELAKIS-ANGELAKIS 2001), Italy (PELLERONE *et al.* 2001, LABRA *et al.* 2002, ZULINI *et al.* 2002), Portugal (LOPES *et al.* 1999) and Spain (ULANOVSKY *et al.* 2001, IBAÑEZ *et al.* 2003).

Conservation, characterization and sustainable utilisation of genetic resources in breeding and cultivation require the maintenance of old varieties and their precise characterization. Besides morphological traits, DNA marker systems should be involved as additional ‘descriptors’ for varietal identification to establish a ‘DNA-based ampelographic system’. The aim of our present study was to characterize 97 ancient cultivars from the Carpathian Basin, to establish DNA fingerprints for these old Hungarian cultivars by means of microsatellite allele numbers and sizes, and to determine the discriminating power of 6 microsatellite markers. In addition to the 97 Carpathian Basin cultivars, 4 international cultivars, Csabagyöngye (Pearl of Csaba), Heunisch weiss (Weisser Heunisch), Muscat Ottonel and Pinot noir were also involved in the analyses.

Material and Methods

P l a n t m a t e r i a l: Ninety-seven ancient accessions (Tab. 1) and 4 international cultivars, Pearl of Csaba, Heunisch weiss (syn.: Gouais blanc, MEREDITH 2001, SCHNEIDER *et al.* 2001), Muscat Ottonel and Pinot noir preserved in the Research Institute for Viticulture and Enology in Pécs (Hungary) were sampled and used in this study. The 4 well-known cultivars were included to compare allele size results with those of other laboratories.

Table 1

Grapevine accessions of the Carpathian Basin (1-97; bold letters indicate cultivars, which are still registered) and the international cultivars (98-101) investigated

| Local ancient cultivars | Berry colour | Local ancient cultivars | Berry colour | Local ancient cultivars | Berry colour |
|-------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| Alantermő | white (B) | Gergely | white (B) | Lisztes fehér | white (B) |
| Aprófehér | white (B) | Gohér, fehér | white (B) | Lisztes piros | red (Rg) |
| Ágasfark | blue (N) | Gohér, piros | red (Rg) | Magyarka | white (B) |
| Bajor, kék | blue (N) | Gohér, változó | white (B) | Mézesfehér | white (B) |
| Bajor, szürke | gray (G) | Gorombaszóló | blue (N) | Mustos | white (B) |
| Bakarka | white (B) | Halápi | blue (N) | Pettyesszőlő | white (B) |
| Bakator, piros | red (Rg) | Hamuszőlő | gray (G) | Pécsi szagos | white (B) |
| Bakator, kék | blue (N) | Hárlevelű | white (B) | Piros gránát | red (Rg) |
| Bakator, tüdőszínű | light red (Rs) | Hosszúnyelű | white (B) | Piros tökös | red (Rg) |
| Bakszem | blue (N) | Izsáki | white (B) | Polyhos | white (B) |
| Balafánt | white (B) | Járdovány | white (B) | Pozsonyi fehér | white (B) |
| Balafánt, fekete | blue (N) | Juhfark | white (B) | Purcsin | blue (N) |
| Bálint | white (B) | Kadarka | blue (N) | Rakszőlő | white (B) |
| Bánáti rizling | white (B) | Kéklörios | blue (N) | Rókafarkú | white (B) |
| Beregi | red (Rg) | Kéknyelű | white (B) | Rohadó | white (B) |
| Betyárszőlő | white (B) | Királyleányka | white (B) | Sárfehér | white (B) |
| Bihari | white (B) | Királyszőlő | white (B) | Sárpíros | red (Rg) |
| Bőségszaru | white (B) | Kolontár | white (B) | Somszőlő | white (B) |
| Budai | white (B) | Kovácsi | white (B) | Szagos bajnár | white (B) |
| Cudarszőlő | white (B) | Kovácskréger | white (B) | Szeredi | red (Rg) |
| Cukorszőlő | white (B) | Kozma | white (B) | Szerémi | white (B) |
| Csíkos muskotály | white (B) | Ködös | blue (N) | Szőke szőlő | white (B) |
| Csókaszőlő | blue (N) | Kőporos | white (B) | Tihanyi | white (B) |
| Csomorika | white (B) | Kövérszőlő | white (B) | Tótika | blue (N) |
| Czeiger | white (B) | Bogdányi dinka | red (Rg) | Tökszőlő | white (B) |
| Demjén | white (B) | Pécsi dinka | blue (N) | Tulipiros | red (Rg) |
| Erdei | white (B) | Kövidinka | red (Rg) | Tükörszőlő | white (B) |
| Ezerjó | white (B) | Ürömi dinka | white (B) | Tükéspúpú | white (B) |
| Fodroslevelű | white (B) | Vörösdinka | red (Rg) | Vékonyhéjú | white (B) |
| Furmint | white (B) | Zöld dinka | white (B) | Csabagyöngye | white (B) |
| Furmint, piros | red (Rg) | Kübeli | white (B) | Muscat Ottonel | white (B) |
| Fügér | white (B) | Lányszőlő | white (B) | Heunisch weiss | white (B) |
| Fügeszőlő | white (B) | Lágylevelű | white (B) | Pinot noir | blue (N) |
| Fürjmony | white (B) | Leányka | white (B) | | |

D N A isolation: DNA was extracted from young leaves with the DNeasy® Plant Mini kit (Qiagen) according to the manufacturer's protocol and to the method described by LODHI *et al.* (1994).

P C R conditions: PCR was performed in a GeneAmp 9700 thermal cycler (ABI Perkin-Elmer) in a 25 µl volume. The reaction mixture contained 20 ng DNA template, 1 µM of each primer, 75 µM of each dNTP, 2 mM MgCl₂, 1 x PCR buffer and 1 unit Taq polymerase (Promega). The following PCR profile was applied: precycle: 4 min at 95 °C; 36 cycles of denaturation 20 s at 95 °C; 30 s annealing at 56 °C and 1 min extension at 72 °C; postcycle: 5 min at 72 °C.

S S R analysis: Six microsatellite loci were selected, Scu08vv, Scu10vv, VVMD21, VVMD36, ssrVrZAG64 and ssrVrZAG79 (Tab. 2), partly according to the recommendation of the GENRES081 EU project (DETTWEILER and THIS 2000) and partly on the basis of our preliminary primer test

results (Kiss *et al.* 2003). Each forward primer was labelled with Cy-5 (IDT Inc., BioSciences). The amplification products were separated on 8 % denaturing polyacrylamide gel (Amersham Biosciences, Uppsala, Sweden). The allele sizes were estimated with ALFexpress II DNA analyser (Amersham Biosciences). ALFexpress™ sizer™ 50-500 (Amersham Biosciences) was applied as standard. Allele frequencies, expected (He) and observed (Ho) heterozygosity and probability of identity (PI) were calculated according to the Identity 1.0 software (WAGNER and SEFC 1999).

Results and Discussion

Unique microsatellite fingerprints have been obtained for 95 out of 101 genotypes (Tab. 3). Only berry colour-variants of cvs Gohér (white and red), Lisztes (white and

Table 2

Name, sequences and allele size range of the 6 microsatellite loci

| No. | Primer name | Sequence | Allele size range (bp) | Reference | Allele size range in the present study (bp) |
|-----|-------------|--|------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| 1. | Scu8vv | f: cga gac cca gca tcg ttt caag r: gca aaa tcc tcc ccg tac aag tc | 180 | SCOTT <i>et al.</i> 2000 | 185-192 |
| 2. | Scu10vv | f: tac ccc cac aac cct ttt r: ttc tcc gcc acc tcc ttt tcac | 205-307 | SCOTT <i>et al.</i> 2000 | 202-217 |
| 3. | VVMD21 | f: ggt tgt cta tgg agt tga tgt tgc r: gct tca gta aaa agg gat tgc g | 243-266 | BOWERS <i>et al.</i> 1999 | 244-267 |
| 4. | VVMD36 | f: gaa aat taa taa tag ggg gac acg gg r: gca act gta aag gta aga cac agt cc | 244-315 | BOWERS <i>et al.</i> 1999 | 244-296 |
| 5. | ssrVrZAG64 | f: tat gaa aga aac cca acy cgg cacg r: tgc aat gtg gtc agc ctt tga tgg g | 137-197 | SEFC <i>et al.</i> 1999 | 139-165 |
| 6. | ssrVrZAG79 | f: aga ttg tgg agg agg gaa caa accgr r: tgc ccc cat ttt caa act ccc tcc c | 236-260 | SEFC <i>et al.</i> 1999 | 240-262 |

Table 3

Microsatellite profile of the 101 grapevine varieties

| No. | Variety name | Scu8vv | Scu10vv | Allele size (bp) in locus | | | |
|-----|--------------------|---------|---------|---------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| | | | | VVMD21 | VVMD36 | VrZag64 | VrZag79 |
| 1. | Alantermő | 185:185 | 202:208 | 250:259 | 254:276 | 161:165 | 254:260 |
| 2. | Aprófehér | 185:185 | 208:214 | 250:250 | 264:266 | 141:145 | 246:254 |
| 3. | Ágasfark | 185:192 | 202:202 | 244:250 | 254:264 | 145:165 | 252:262 |
| 4. | Bajor, kék | 185:192 | 202:208 | 250:257 | 252:252 | 145:165 | 252:262 |
| 5. | Bajor, szürke | 185:192 | 202:208 | 250:257 | 254:254 | 145:165 | 252:262 |
| 6. | Bakarka | 185:185 | 214:214 | 244:250 | 264:266 | 141:145 | 254:254 |
| 7. | Bakator, kék | 185:185 | 202:208 | 250:250 | 264:264 | 141:165 | 252:262 |
| 8. | Bakator, piros | 185:185 | 202:208 | 244:257 | 266:288 | 145:165 | 254:254 |
| 9. | Bakator, tüdőszínű | 185:185 | 202:208 | 244:257 | 266:288 | 145:165 | 254:254 |
| 10. | Bakszem | 185:192 | 202:208 | 250:250 | 252:264 | 141:165 | 240:262 |
| 11. | Balafánt | 185:192 | 202:208 | 244:259 | 276:288 | 145:165 | 240:254 |
| 12. | Balafánt, fekete | 185:192 | 202:202 | 250:250 | 254:276 | 161:165 | 252:252 |
| 13. | Bálint | 185:192 | 208:214 | 250:259 | 264:276 | 141:145 | 252:254 |
| 14. | Bánáti rizling | 185:185 | 208:211 | 250:257 | 254:288 | 161:161 | 254:262 |
| 15. | Beregi | 185:185 | 208:214 | 244:250 | 254:288 | 139:145 | 254:262 |
| 16. | Betyárszölő | 185:185 | 202:214 | 250:257 | 264:266 | 139:165 | 262:262 |
| 17. | Bihari | 185:185 | 202:205 | 250:250 | 264:264 | 141:161 | 250:262 |
| 18. | Bogdányi dinka | 185:185 | 214:214 | 244:250 | 264:266 | 139:145 | 254:262 |
| 19. | Bőségszaru | 185:185 | 202:205 | 244:250 | 276:296 | 145:165 | 248:252 |
| 20. | Budai | 185:192 | 208:214 | 250:250 | 244:254 | 141:165 | 252:252 |
| 21. | Cudarszőlő | 185:185 | 208:214 | 250:250 | 244:254 | 145:145 | 242:254 |
| 22. | Cukorszőlő | 185:185 | 202:208 | 257:257 | 254:276 | 141:161 | 254:262 |
| 23. | Csíkos muskotály | 185:185 | 208:217 | 250:267 | 244:264 | 143:161 | 254:258 |
| 24. | Csókaszőlő | 185:185 | 202:208 | 257:257 | 288:288 | 161:165 | 240:254 |
| 25. | Csomorika | 185:185 | 208:211 | 257:257 | 288:288 | 141:145 | 240:262 |
| 26. | Czeiger | 185:185 | 202:208 | 250:250 | 264:288 | 139:165 | 254:254 |
| 27. | Demjén | 185:185 | 202:202 | 244:257 | 254:288 | 141:165 | 254:262 |
| 28. | Erdei | 185:185 | 202:214 | 244:250 | 264:264 | 145:165 | 246:254 |
| 29. | Ezerjó | 185:185 | 202:202 | 244:250 | 258:276 | 139:139 | 240:254 |

Tab. 3, continued

| No. | Variety name | Scu8vv | Scu10vv | Allele size (bp) in locus | | VrZag64 | VrZag79 |
|-----|----------------|---------|---------|---------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| | | | | VVMD21 | VVMD36 | | |
| 30. | Fodroslevelű | 185:192 | 202:214 | 250:257 | 264:266 | 139:165 | 262:262 |
| 31. | Furmint | 185:192 | 202:208 | 250:259 | 254:276 | 161:165 | 240:252 |
| 32. | Furmint, piros | 185:192 | 202:208 | 250:257 | 254:276 | 161:165 | 240:252 |
| 33. | Fügér | 185:192 | 208:208 | 244:244 | 254:264 | 141:145 | 252:252 |
| 34. | Fügeszőlő | 185:192 | 208:208 | 244:244 | 264:288 | 145:145 | 240:252 |
| 35. | Fürjmony | 185:192 | 205:208 | 250:257 | 254:264 | 141:161 | 250:254 |
| 36. | Gergely | 185:185 | 208:214 | 244:250 | 266:276 | 159:165 | 240:254 |
| 37. | Gohér, fehér | 185:192 | 202:208 | 244:257 | 254:288 | 141:145 | 252:262 |
| 38. | Gohér, piros | 185:192 | 202:208 | 244:257 | 254:288 | 141:145 | 252:262 |
| 39. | Gohér, változó | 185:192 | 202:208 | 244:257 | 254:288 | 145:145 | 252:262 |
| 40. | Gorombaszőlő | 185:185 | 208:214 | 250:259 | 254:266 | 139:145 | 252:252 |
| 41. | Halápi | 188:188 | 208:217 | 244:267 | 244:254 | 141:157 | 252:258 |
| 42. | Hamuszőlő | 185:185 | 208:208 | 250:250 | 264:276 | 139:141 | 248:254 |
| 43. | Hárlevelű | 185:185 | 202:208 | 244:259 | 264:276 | 145:165 | 240:254 |
| 44. | Hosszúnyelű | 185:185 | 208:214 | 244:257 | 254:288 | 141:145 | 240:254 |
| 45. | Izsáki | 185:185 | 208:214 | 244:250 | 254:276 | 139:161 | 240:246 |
| 46. | Járdovány | 185:185 | 208:214 | 244:250 | 266:276 | 141:161 | 240:254 |
| 47. | Juhfark | 185:185 | 208:208 | 250:257 | 264:276 | 141:165 | 240:252 |
| 48. | Kadarka | 185:185 | 208:214 | 250:250 | 266:276 | 145:165 | 252:252 |
| 49. | Kéklópiros | 185:185 | 202:208 | 250:257 | 264:270 | 159:165 | 252:262 |
| 50. | Kéknyelű | 185:185 | 202:208 | 244:250 | 252:264 | 159:165 | 252:254 |
| 51. | Királyléányka | 185:185 | 208:214 | 244:250 | 254:266 | 161:161 | 252:254 |
| 52. | Királyszőlő | 185:185 | 202:208 | 250:259 | 266:288 | 145:165 | 254:262 |
| 53. | Kolontár | 185:192 | 202:208 | 244:250 | 254:264 | 141:145 | 252:262 |
| 54. | Kovácsi | 185:192 | 208:208 | 257:257 | 264:288 | 161:161 | 254:254 |
| 55. | Kovácskréger | 185:185 | 202:211 | 250:257 | 254:264 | 145:161 | 252:254 |
| 56. | Kozma | 185:185 | 202:208 | 257:267 | 254:264 | 141:145 | 262:262 |
| 57. | Ködös | 185:185 | 208:208 | 257:259 | 254:276 | 145:165 | 252:252 |
| 58. | Kóporos | 185:185 | 208:214 | 257:259 | 264:266 | 145:165 | 254:260 |
| 59. | Kövérszőlő | 185:185 | 208:208 | 250:259 | 264:266 | 145:161 | 240:254 |
| 60. | Pécsi dinka | 185:185 | 202:208 | 244:244 | 254:288 | 141:145 | 252:254 |
| 61. | Kövidinka | 185:185 | 208:214 | 244:250 | 264:264 | 139:141 | 254:262 |
| 62. | Ürömi dinka | 185:185 | 214:214 | 250:250 | 266:276 | 145:161 | 246:254 |
| 63. | Vörösdinka | 185:185 | 208:214 | 244:250 | 254:264 | 139:145 | 254:262 |
| 64. | Zöld dinka | 185:185 | 202:208 | 244:257 | 264:264 | 145:145 | 254:254 |
| 65. | Kübeli | 185:185 | 208:214 | 257:259 | 264:266 | 161:165 | 254:260 |
| 66. | Lányszőlő | 185:185 | 208:211 | 250:257 | 254:276 | 161:161 | 252:254 |
| 67. | Lágylevelű | 185:185 | 202:214 | 250:250 | 254:254 | 165:165 | 252:254 |
| 68. | Leányka | 185:185 | 202:208 | 250:250 | 266:276 | 161:165 | 240:254 |
| 69. | Lisztes fehér | 185:185 | 208:208 | 250:257 | 276:288 | 141:161 | 240:262 |
| 70. | Lisztes piros | 185:185 | 208:208 | 250:257 | 276:288 | 141:161 | 240:262 |
| 71. | Magyarka | 185:192 | 208:208 | 244:250 | 264:288 | 145:165 | 248:254 |
| 72. | Mézesfehér | 185:192 | 208:214 | 250:257 | 266:276 | 141:165 | 254:262 |
| 73. | Mustos | 185:185 | 208:214 | 244:250 | 254:276 | 145:161 | 246:252 |
| 74. | Pettyesszőlő | 185:185 | 202:208 | 244:244 | 254:288 | 145:165 | 250:252 |
| 75. | Pécsi szagos | 185:185 | 208:211 | 257:267 | 264:288 | 161:161 | 254:258 |
| 76. | Piros gránát | 185:185 | 208:214 | 244:250 | 254:264 | 139:145 | 250:254 |
| 77. | Piros tökös | 185:185 | 202:214 | 244:250 | 276:288 | 145:165 | 252:254 |
| 78. | Polyhos | 185:185 | 202:202 | 244:259 | 254:288 | 145:161 | 252:262 |
| 79. | Pozsonyi | 185:192 | 202:214 | 244:259 | 264:264 | 139:145 | 254:254 |
| 80. | Purcsin | 185:185 | 208:214 | 250:250 | 254:276 | 161:165 | 250:258 |
| 81. | Rakkszőlő | 185:185 | 208:214 | 244:244 | 254:266 | 139:161 | 254:254 |
| 82. | Rókfarkú | 185:185 | 208:214 | 250:250 | 264:276 | 141:165 | 240:246 |

Tab. 3, continued

| No. | Variety name | Scu8vv | Scu10vv | Allele size (bp) in locus | | | |
|------|----------------|---------|---------|---------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| | | | | VVMD21 | VVMD36 | VrZag64 | VrZag79 |
| 83. | Rohadó | 185:185 | 208:208 | 250:257 | 264:276 | 145:161 | 250:258 |
| 84. | Sárfehér | 185:192 | 202:208 | 244:250 | 264:264 | 139:165 | 252:254 |
| 85. | Sárpíros | 185:185 | 202:208 | 244:244 | 264:288 | 145:165 | 254:260 |
| 86. | Somszóló | 185:185 | 202:214 | 244:250 | 252:256 | 139:153 | 252:254 |
| 87. | Szagos bajnár | 185:185 | 205:208 | 250:250 | 264:288 | 139:161 | 250:262 |
| 88. | Szeredi | 185:185 | 202:202 | 250:257 | 254:276 | 145:161 | 252:252 |
| 89. | Szerémi | 185:185 | 202:208 | 250:250 | 276:276 | 161:165 | 252:258 |
| 90. | Szőke szőlő | 185:185 | 202:208 | 244:250 | 272:276 | 139:145 | 254:260 |
| 91. | Tihanyi | 185:185 | 208:208 | 257:267 | 254:264 | 145:145 | 252:262 |
| 92. | Tótika | 185:185 | 202:214 | 250:257 | 254:276 | 145:165 | 252:254 |
| 93. | Tökszőlő | 185:185 | 208:214 | 257:257 | 264:276 | 161:165 | 240:262 |
| 94. | Tulipiros | 185:185 | 208:208 | 244:244 | 254:288 | 145:145 | 252:254 |
| 95. | Tükörszőlő | 185:185 | 202:214 | 250:250 | 254:264 | 161:165 | 246:262 |
| 96. | Tuskéspúpú | 185:185 | 208:211 | 257:257 | 254:288 | 145:161 | 254:262 |
| 97. | Vékonyhéjú | 185:185 | 202:208 | 250:250 | 264:276 | 161:165 | 246:262 |
| 98. | Csabagyöngye | 185:185 | 205:214 | 244:267 | 264:296 | 161:161 | 258:262 |
| 99. | Muscat Ottonel | 185:185 | 208:214 | 267:267 | 264:276 | 139:161 | 258:262 |
| 100. | Heunisch weiss | 185:185 | 208:214 | 250:250 | 264:276 | 161:161 | 240:246 |
| 101. | Pinot noir | 185:192 | 205:217 | 250:250 | 254:254 | 141:165 | 242:248 |

red) and Bakator (red and light-red) gave identical SSR patterns with the selected 6 primer pairs. Therefore, in additional, highly polymorphic microsatellite loci ssrVrZAG62 (SEFC *et al.* 1999) and VVMD5 (BOWERS *et al.* 1996) were included into the analyses for these questionable cases; however, these genotypes remained indistinguishable (data not shown). SEFC *et al.* (2000 a) were also able to detect unique genotypes for 100 cultivars with 10 SSR markers except for coloured variants.

Comparing the results on allele size with the literal allele size ranges (SCOTT *et al.* 2000) it can be concluded, that in case of Scu8vv and Scu10vv new allele sizes were identified in the Carpathian Basin cultivars. Scu8vv and Scu10vv represent 5'UTR regions of EST sequences (SCOTT *et al.* 2000) and have intermediate variability, while, in our study Scu10vv amplified 6 different alleles, more than VVMD21. The microsatellite VVMD21 resulted in a very similar allele size range, while in case of VVMD36 the interval was narrower than expected.

None of the samples gave an amplified fragment corresponding to the upper limit reported for ssrVrZAG64. Both, the minimum and maximum values obtained with the ssrVrZAG79 locus were higher than the allele size limits found in the Greek Vitis Database (SEFC *et al.* 1999).

As for the international standard cultivars their allele sizes were in the same intervals as the Carpathian Basin cultivars at each microsatellite locus. The allele sizes observed in our study for Heunisch weiss with VVMD36 were exactly the same as those reported by REGNER *et al.* (2000 b, d) (Tab. 4). Our results on Pinot noir obtained with VVMD36 are also identical with those of BOWERS *et al.* (1999) and REGNER *et al.* (2000 b). In case of Muscat Ottonel in our investigation VVMD36 resulted in the same size as reported by CRESPLAN and MILANI (2001) despite a different methodol-

ogy. The values obtained with VVMD21, VVMD36, ssrVrZag64 and ssrVrZag79 for Csabagyöngye (Pearl of Csaba), Heunisch weiss, Muscat Ottonel and Pinot noir proved to be 1-4 bp higher than the international results (BOWERS *et al.* 1999, REGNER *et al.* 2000 b, d, SEFC *et al.* 1998, 2000 b, LEFORT and ROUBELAKIS-ANGELAKIS 2000). Similar differences were also observed in other laboratories (CRESPLAN and MILANI 2001, REGNER *et al.* 2000 b, d). It is not obvious to explain the reason for this; according to THIS *et al.* (2004) such fragment size alterations might be explained with the stutter or the extra base additions of certain types of Taq polymerases. We have repeated the analyses three times with the whole sample set (101 accessions), and the results proved to be consistent.

Most alleles (12) were obtained at the VVMD36 locus (Tab. 5), while the lowest number of alleles (3) were detected with Scu8vv primers. The frequency of different alleles showed variability at the investigated loci. The rank of microsatellite markers in informativeness and discriminating power is the following: ssrVrZAG79 (PI 0.11 / 10 alleles) > VVMD36 (PI 0.12 / 12 alleles) > ssrVrZAG64 (PI 0.14 / 9 alleles) > VVMD21 (PI 0.24 / 5 alleles) > Scu10vv (PI 0.27 / 6 alleles) > Scu8vv (PI 0.67 / 3 alleles). VVMD36 and ssrVrZAG64 had the highest heterozygosity among the tested cultivars.

The number of primers sufficient for reliable varietal identification depends on the nature and the discriminating power of each primer (TESSIER *et al.* 1999). Generally 6 primer pairs are sufficient to differentiate between genotypes (ZULINI *et al.* 2002, THIS *et al.* 2004), but closely related cultivars require a higher number (MEREDITH 2001). In our study this concerns the varieties Gohér, Lisztes and Bakator, whose berry colour-variants were undistinguishable. All the other accessions could be successfully genotyped with the 6 micro-satellites.

Table 4

Comparison of the allele sizes of the international cultivars observed in different laboratories

| Cultivar | Reference | Method | VVMD21 | VVMD36 | ssrVrZag64 | ssrVrZag79 |
|--------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Csabagyöngye | Greek Vitis Database SEFC <i>et al.</i> 1998 | ALFexpress, Pharmacia 6 % Acrylamide 7M urea | - | - | 159:159 | 254:258 |
| Pearl of Csaba | Present study | ALFexpress, 8 % Acrylamide (ReproGel™, Amersham) | 244:267 | 264:296 | 161:161 | 258:262 |
| Heunisch weiss | REGNER <i>et al.</i> 2000 d REGNER <i>et al.</i> 2000 b | ALFexpress, Pharmacia 6 % Acrylamide 7M urea 373 ABI CE 6 % Polyacrylamide | 248:248 249:249 | 262:274 264:276 | 159:159 160:160 | 236:242 238:244 |
| Ottonel muskotály | CRESPAN and MILANI 2001 SEFC <i>et al.</i> 1998 | GE 5 % Polyacrylamide 7M urea ALFexpress, Pharmacia 6 % Acrylamide 7M urea | 266:266 | 264:276 262:274 | 137:159 | 254:258 |
| Muscat Ottonel | Present study | ALFexpress, 8 % Acrylamide (ReproGel™, Amersham) | 267:267 | 264:276 | 139:161 | 258:262 |
| Pinot noir / Pinot | REGNER <i>et al.</i> 2000 d REGNER <i>et al.</i> 2000 b SEFC <i>et al.</i> 2000 b BOWERS <i>et al.</i> 1999 | ALFexpress, Pharmacia 6 % Acrylamide 7M urea 373 ABI CE 6 % Polyacrylamide ALFexpress, Pharmacia 6 % Acrylamide 7M urea GE 6 % acrylamide 7M urea | 248:248 249:249 - 249:249 | 252:252 254:254 - 254:254 | 139:163 140:164 139:163 | 238:244 240:246 238:244 |
| | Present study | ALFexpress, 8 % Acrylamide (ReproGel™, Amersham) | 250:250 | 254:254 | 141:165 | 242:248 |

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Table 5

Allele sizes and frequencies (a); number of alleles, probability of identity (PI), expected and observed heterozygosity (b) obtained for 101 grapevine cultivars

| (a) | Allele frequencies | | | | Allele frequencies: | | | |
|---------|--------------------|------------------|----------|-----------------------------|---------------------|------------------|----------|-----------------------------|
| | Locus | Allele size (bp) | Observed | Upper 95 % confidence limit | Locus | Allele size (bp) | Observed | Upper 95 % confidence limit |
| Scu8vv | 185 | 0.8713 | 0.9052 | | ssrVrZag64 | 139 | 0.0990 | 0.1390 |
| | 188 | 0.0099 | 0.0295 | | | 141 | 0.1386 | 0.1834 |
| | 192 | 0.1188 | 0.1613 | | | 143 | 0.0049 | 0.0218 |
| | 202 | 0.2722 | 0.3265 | | | 145 | 0.2722 | 0.3265 |
| | 205 | 0.0297 | 0.0564 | | | 153 | 0.0049 | 0.0218 |
| | 208 | 0.4505 | 0.5083 | | | 157 | 0.0049 | 0.0218 |
| Scu10vv | 211 | 0.0297 | 0.0564 | | | 159 | 0.0148 | 0.0365 |
| | 214 | 0.2029 | 0.2533 | | | 161 | 0.2227 | 0.2744 |
| | 217 | 0.0148 | 0.0365 | | | 165 | 0.2326 | 0.2849 |
| | VVMD21 | 244 | 0.2475 | 0.3005 | ssrVrZag79 | 240 | 0.1039 | 0.1446 |
| | | 250 | 0.4356 | 0.4935 | | 242 | 0.0099 | 0.0294 |
| | | 257 | 0.2128 | 0.2638 | | 246 | 0.0445 | 0.0750 |
| VVMD36 | | 259 | 0.0643 | 0.0989 | | 248 | 0.0198 | 0.0433 |
| | | 267 | 0.0396 | 0.0689 | | 250 | 0.0346 | 0.0627 |
| | | 244 | 0.0198 | 0.0433 | | 252 | 0.2277 | 0.2796 |
| | | 252 | 0.0247 | 0.0499 | | 254 | 0.3069 | 0.3625 |
| | | 254 | 0.2277 | 0.2796 | | 258 | 0.0396 | 0.0689 |
| | | 256 | 0.0049 | 0.0218 | | 260 | 0.0247 | 0.0499 |
| | | 258 | 0.0049 | 0.0218 | | 262 | 0.1881 | 0.2373 |
| | | 264 | 0.2673 | 0.3213 | | | | |
| | | 266 | 0.0990 | 0.1390 | | | | |
| | | 270 | 0.0049 | 0.0218 | | | | |
| | | 272 | 0.0049 | 0.0218 | | | | |
| | | 276 | 0.1831 | 0.2320 | | | | |
| | | 288 | 0.1485 | 0.1943 | | | | |
| | | 296 | 0.0099 | 0.0294 | | | | |
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| (b) | Locus | Sample size | Number of alleles | Probability of identity (PI) | Expected heterozygosity (He) | Observed heterozygosity (Ho) |
|-----|------------|-------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| | Scu8vv | 101 | 3 | 0.66 | 0.23 | 0.24 |
| | Scu10vv | 101 | 6 | 0.27 | 0.68 | 0.78 |
| | VVMD21 | 101 | 5 | 0.24 | 0.69 | 0.65 |
| | VVMD36 | 101 | 12 | 0.12 | 0.81 | 0.86 |
| | ssrVrZag64 | 101 | 9 | 0.14 | 0.79 | 0.85 |
| | ssrVrZag79 | 101 | 10 | 0.11 | 0.80 | 0.82 |

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