

## Addendum A 1

### Allele frequencies estimated for all populations tested

#### Allele frequencies in 9 populations

Locus	Population								
	KK	NH	NN	LV	OV	AU	BS	MS	ZM
<b>adl 268</b>									
N	17	13	14	34	36	18	13	14	14
A	.059	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
B	.000	.154	.000	.044	.069	.000	.000	.036	.000
C	.000	.000	.250	.441	.167	.194	.000	.000	.679
D	.000	.308	.321	.250	.111	.111	.308	.571	.000
E	.000	.154	.107	.221	.319	.278	.192	.000	.071
F	.647	.346	.286	.044	.292	.222	.346	.250	.000
G	.235	.038	.036	.000	.042	.000	.154	.107	.000
H	.059	.000	.000	.000	.000	.083	.000	.000	.000
I	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.036	.000
J	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.111	.000	.000	.250
<b>MCW 67</b>									
N	37	36	31	39	38	22	12	16	18
A	.000	.000	.048	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
B	.000	.028	.048	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
C	.000	.000	.000	.000	.013	.000	.000	.000	.000
D	.000	.000	.016	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
E	.419	.042	.242	.141	.474	.227	.000	.000	.306
F	.500	.125	.403	.218	.289	.318	.292	.500	.167
G	.027	.069	.161	.128	.105	.000	.292	.250	.000
H	.054	.500	.016	.359	.053	.432	.000	.000	.500
I	.000	.236	.032	.128	.026	.000	.417	.250	.000
J	.000	.000	.032	.026	.013	.023	.000	.000	.028
K	.000	.000	.000	.000	.026	.000	.000	.000	.000
<b>MCW 69</b>									
N	50	47	44	34	27	25	13	16	20
A	.000	.021	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
B	.000	.000	.011	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
C	.000	.000	.011	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
D	.130	.011	.409	.456	.426	.340	.000	.000	.375
E	.060	.085	.148	.353	.222	.000	.308	.250	.000
F	.020	.298	.125	.074	.000	.000	.000	.375	.075
G	.790	.363	.273	.059	.093	.560	.462	.219	.325
H	.000	.000	.011	.000	.259	.020	.038	.125	.000
I	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.020	.000	.000	.075
J	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.077	.031	.000
K	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.038	.000	.025
L	.000	.213	.011	.000	.000	.060	.000	.000	.125
M	.000	.011	.000	.029	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
N	.000	.000	.000	.029	.000	.000	.077	.000	.000



Locus	Population								
	KK	NH	NN	LV	OV	AU	BS	MS	ZM
<b>MCW 98</b>									
N	46	22	41	27	23	3	13	16	14
A	.022	.000	.000	.000	.000	.333	.000	.000	.071
B	.272	.909	.488	.907	.435	.333	.615	.469	.679
C	.707	.068	.500	.056	.565	.333	.385	.531	.214
D	.000	.023	.012	.037	.000	.000	.000	.000	.036
<b>MCW 103</b>									
N	36	36	37	18	30	27	13	16	17
A	.000	.028	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
B	.000	.000	.000	.000	.033	.000	.000	.000	.000
C	.000	.403	.514	.028	.017	.074	.000	.031	.147
D	.000	.000	.027	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.029
E	.556	.472	.297	.278	.567	.926	.115	.500	.824
F	.444	.097	.162	.639	.367	.000	.885	.469	.000
G	.000	.000	.000	.056	.017	.000	.000	.000	.000
<b>MCW 111</b>									
N	47	46	42	18	31	25	11	14	17
A	.032	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
B	.021	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
C	.000	.043	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
D	.234	.011	.274	.028	.016	.180	.000	.000	.441
E	.330	.217	.238	.389	.597	.120	.182	.071	.500
F	.287	.489	.345	.361	.323	.700	.364	.607	.059
G	.064	.120	.060	.194	.065	.000	.227	.107	.000
H	.000	.000	.012	.000	.000	.000	.000	.036	.000
I	.011	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.091	.000	.000
J	.000	.033	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
K	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.136	.000	.000
L	.021	.087	.071	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
M	.000	.000	.000	.028	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
<b>MCW 183</b>									
N	35	21	41	31	38	22	11	15	17
A	.000	.000	.000	.000	.013	.000	.000	.000	.029
B	.300	.095	.110	.113	.053	.477	.455	.300	.412
C	.000	.024	.012	.000	.000	.045	.091	.067	.118
D	.000	.000	.012	.000	.013	.000	.000	.000	.000
E	.000	.667	.646	.806	.092	.159	.091	.333	.176
F	.057	.024	.024	.032	.500	.159	.045	.167	.088
G	.000	.071	.012	.000	.013	.000	.000	.000	.000
H	.643	.119	.171	.049	.276	.091	.227	.133	.118
I	.000	.000	.012	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
J	.000	.000	.000	.000	.039	.068	.000	.000	.059
K	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.045	.000	.000
L	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.045	.000	.000



Locus	Population								
	KK	NH	NN	LV	OV	AU	BS	MS	ZM
<b>MCW 216</b>									
N	47	46	40	38	28	26	10	9	11
A	.021	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.050	.000	.000
B	.000	.174	.450	.329	.018	.000	.250	.000	.091
C	.340	.522	.363	.526	.107	.423	.200	.333	.545
D	.596	.304	.162	.145	.875	.538	.500	.556	.364
E	.021	.000	.000	.000	.000	.019	.000	.000	.000
F	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.056	.000
G	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.019	.000	.000	.000
H	.000	.000	.025	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
I	.021	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.056	.000
<b>MCW 248</b>									
N	37	46	39	33	23	19	11	14	21
A	.554	.261	.372	.333	.326	.816	.000	.000	.881
B	.446	.239	.128	.470	.413	.184	.727	.714	.095
C	.000	.033	.244	.167	.196	.000	.000	.143	.000
D	.000	.054	.141	.030	.022	.000	.227	.107	.024
E	.000	.022	.013	.000	.043	.000	.045	.036	.000
F	.000	.054	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
G	.000	.259	.064	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
H	.000	.022	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
I	.000	.054	.038	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
J	.000	.011	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
<b>MCW 295</b>									
N	41	13	28	35	33	18	13	14	9
A	.000	.000	.018	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
B	.354	.000	.125	.029	.212	.361	.000	.000	.611
C	.220	.000	.143	.386	.061	.028	.038	.000	.056
D	.232	.308	.036	.000	.061	.000	.385	.571	.000
E	.085	.423	.036	.086	.015	.000	.115	.071	.000
F	.110	.000	.304	.014	.106	.500	.000	.000	.278
G	.000	.000	.018	.071	.000	.111	.000	.000	.000
H	.000	.231	.089	.229	.242	.000	.308	.250	.056
I	.000	.038	.143	.171	.061	.000	.077	.071	.000
J	.000	.000	.089	.014	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
K	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.077	.036	.000
<b>MCW 330</b>									
N	31	31	36	31	30	11	12	16	18
A	.000	.000	.139	.000	.050	.045	.000	.000	.139
B	.000	.016	.000	.000	.017	.000	.125	.125	.000
C	.081	.000	.000	.097	.250	.318	.000	.000	.528
D	.016	.016	.028	.048	.150	.091	.292	.188	.000
E	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.045	.000	.000	.028
F	.323	.516	.500	.355	.200	.318	.000	.000	.139
G	.387	.306	.292	.177	.133	.000	.208	.406	.000
H	.000	.000	.014	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
I	.194	.145	.028	.323	.200	.136	.375	.281	.167
J	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.045	.000	.000	.000



Allele frequencies from additional microsatellite markers for group

Locus	Population						
	KK	NH	NN	LV	OV	BS	MS
<b>adi 268</b>							
N	17	13	14	34	36	13	14
A	.059	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
B	.000	.154	.000	.044	.069	.000	.036
C	.000	.000	.250	.441	.167	.000	.000
D	.000	.308	.321	.250	.111	.308	.571
E	.000	.154	.107	.221	.319	.192	.000
F	.647	.346	.286	.044	.292	.346	.250
G	.235	.038	.036	.000	.042	.154	.107
H	.059	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
I	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.036
<b>adi 278</b>							
N	16	14	9	13	11	13	16
A	.094	.143	.167	.077	.182	.577	.250
B	.813	.643	.444	.654	.182	.269	.000
C	.094	.214	.389	.269	.636	.154	.464
<b>MCW 14</b>							
N	16	14	9	13	12	13	14
A	1.000	.321	.222	.154	.333	.308	.357
B	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.179
C	.000	.036	.056	.000	.000	.038	.000
D	.000	.643	.722	.846	.667	.654	.464
<b>MCW 78</b>							
N	26	15	14	35	38	9	16
A	.000	.000	.036	.000	.000	.000	.000
B	.019	.000	.321	.257	.118	.167	.156
C	.115	.833	.429	.700	.776	.222	.594
D	.808	.167	.214	.029	.105	.222	.219
E	.019	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
F	.038	.000	.000	.014	.000	.389	.031
<b>MCW 222</b>							
N	16	13	11	13	12	12	16
A	.000	.000	.000	.192	.167	.083	.031
B	1.000	.615	.455	.577	.292	.792	.500
C	.000	.154	.273	.231	.458	.042	.375
D	.000	.231	.273	.000	.083	.083	.094



**Allele frequencies from additional microsatellite markers for group**

Locus	Population					
	KK	NH	NN	LV	OV	AU
<b>adi 104</b>						
N	17	13	14	34	36	18
18	.059	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
B	.000	.154	.000	.044	.069	.000
C	.000	.000	.250	.441	.167	.194
D	.000	.308	.321	.250	.111	.111
E	.000	.154	.107	.221	.319	.278
F	.647	.346	.286	.044	.292	.222
G	.235	.038	.036	.000	.042	.000
H	.059	.000	.000	.000	.000	.083
I	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
J	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.111
<b>Lei 194</b>						
N	3	22	9	23	19	16
A	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.125
B	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.313
C	.000	.000	.278	.000	.316	.438
D	.000	.068	.000	.000	.000	.063
E	.000	.000	.056	.413	.237	.000
F	1.000	.409	.278	.587	.211	.063
G	.000	.045	.167	.000	.000	.000
H	.000	.045	.000	.000	.000	.000
I	.000	.432	.222	.000	.237	.000
<b>MCW 34</b>						
N	22	9	19	18	8	20
A	.250	.222	.079	.167	.313	.700
B	.455	.000	.263	.000	.000	.000
C	.227	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
D	.000	.111	.000	.000	.125	.025
E	.000	.000	.237	.833	.500	.000
F	.023	.056	.000	.000	.063	.100
G	.000	.556	.395	.000	.000	.000
H	.000	.056	.000	.000	.000	.050
I	.045	.000	.026	.000	.000	.125
<b>MCW 37</b>						
N	36	33	31	39	39	20
A	.000	.061	.000	.000	.013	.000
B	.028	.000	.016	.000	.000	.000
C	.056	.076	.339	.000	.423	.450
D	.611	.818	.306	.782	.295	.500
E	.306	.045	.274	.205	.205	.050
F	.000	.000	.032	.013	.000	.000
G	.000	.000	.032	.000	.051	.000
H	.000	.000	.000	.000	.013	.000





**Allele frequencies in 6 populations**

Locus	Population					
	KK	NH	NN	LV	OV	AU
<b>MCW 78</b>						
N	26	15	14	35	38	18
A	.000	.000	.036	.000	.000	.000
B	.019	.000	.321	.257	.118	.000
C	.115	.833	.429	.700	.776	.833
D	.808	.167	.214	.029	.105	.111
E	.019	.000	.000	.000	.000	.056
F	.038	.000	.000	.014	.000	.000
<b>MCW 81</b>						
N	16	25	14	26	25	21
A	.000	.100	.000	.250	.040	.048
B	.000	.000	.393	.212	.200	.000
C	.000	.740	.393	.538	.620	.286
D	.438	.160	.000	.000	.040	.000
E	.031	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
F	.031	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
G	.250	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
H	.156	.000	.214	.000	.100	.667
I	.094	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
<b>MCW 284</b>						
N	13	11	11	17	8	10
A	.000	.000	.000	.000	.125	.000
B	.577	.864	.773	.853	.625	.200
C	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.100
D	.000	.091	.000	.000	.000	.000
294	.423	.045	.227	.147	.250	.700
<b>MCW 294</b>						
N	25	19	12	17	24	19
A	.000	.000	.000	.000	.021	.000
B	.980	.000	.250	.265	.167	.000
C	.020	.000	.042	.353	.438	.184
D	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000	.000
E	.000	1.000	.708	.382	.375	.816

**Addendum A 2**

<b>Microsatellite marker</b>	<b>Group I F<sub>ST</sub></b>	<b>Group II F<sub>ST</sub></b>	<b>Group III F<sub>ST</sub></b>
ADL 268	0.172	0.117	0.130
MCW 067	0.152	0.114	0.145
MCW 069	0.165	0.177	0.176
MCW 098	0.193	0.258	0.211
MCW 103	0.284	0.221	0.205
MCW 111	0.128	0.086	0.082
MCW 183	0.205	0.264	0.231
MCW 216	0.146	0.185	0.165
MCW 248	0.229	0.109	0.141
MCW 295	0.187	0.145	0.137
MCW 330	0.133	0.073	0.105
LEI 194	-	0.262	-
MCW 034	-	0.293	-
MCW 037	-	0.144	-
MCW 078	-	0.279	0.238
MCW 081	-	0.235	-
MCW 284	-	0.208	-
MCW 294	-	0.419	-
ADL 278	-	-	0.153
MCW 014	-	-	0.261
MCW 222	-	-	0.150
<b>Mean</b>	<b>0.179</b>	<b>0.195</b>	<b>0.195</b>

## CONCLUSION

In this study the genotypic and phenotypic properties of the native fowl populations of the “Fowls for Africa” program were investigated and successfully characterized.

A set of microsatellite markers were tested and found to be highly polymorphic and appropriate for genetic characterization of the native fowl populations. A total of 23 markers were tested and the variation measured in terms of heterozygosity and genetic distance. It was found that a higher number of markers influenced the variation estimations, as well as the polymorphic nature of the markers. Between 11 and 18 markers were included in the analyses for distance and phylogenetic tree construction. Topology of trees remained the same, but significance values for the clusters tended to increase as more markers were included.

Results indicate that the genetic variation in the native fowl populations is relatively high. The Koekoek and Australorp had the lowest variation, which is in agreement with their history as breeds in South Africa. The Naked Neck population showed the highest variation and a close relationship with both the New Hampshire and Lebowa-Venda populations. A relatively high variation was observed for the Ovambo’s and they seem to be unrelated to the other native populations such as the Naked Neck and Lebowa-Venda. This three genetically distinct groups identified using microsatellite markers correlated with the phenotypic traits, described in Chapter 4.

Growth and egg production of these populations tend to be poor in comparison to commercial birds. For the phenotypic traits studied among these native populations, they seem to be more suited for egg production than meat.

In conclusion, the genetic variation found in this study indicates that there are differences among the populations that should be preserved. This may be possible through the continuation of the “Fowls for Africa” program. Genetic differences and the relationships can also be applied in combination with phenotypic traits for selection of an improved native bird for household food production in South Africa.



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