

**Table 1 Primers used to amplify exons 2, 3 and 12 and to sequence exon 3 of the *TBCE* gene**

<b>Primer</b>	<b>Sequence</b>	<b>PCR product size (bp)</b>	<b>Annealing temperature (°C)</b>
TBCE_2F	5'..AgATCTCATATTTTGGATTCTggA..3'		
TBCE_2R	5'..CACACACACACACAATAATTgCT ..3'	159	52
TBCE_3F	5'..TTTggTTTTTCTTgTTCTgCT..3'		
TBCE_3R	5'..gACCgTgCTgATTCATAATgA..3'	137	51
TBCE3_(-)21M13	5'..(-)21M13-TTCCgCTgCAAATTggTATT..3'		
TBCE3_M13rev	5'..M13rev-CATgAgCCAAACATTTCTTCC..3'	307	54
TBCE_12F	5'..CCgCTTTTCATTTATTTCTT..3'		
TBCE_12R	5'..TggCCTAAAATCATTTATTTTCT..3'	248	54
(-)21M13	5'..TgTAAAACgACggCCAgT..3'	Sequencing primer	
M13rev	5'..CAggAAACAgCTATgACC..3'	Sequencing primer	

*PCR = polymerase chain reaction.*