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Figure S2 MCV values among C57BL/6J ( $\mathrm{Hbb} / \mathrm{s} / \mathrm{s}$ genotype), 129S1/SvlmJ ( $\mathrm{Hbb} \mathrm{d} / \mathrm{d}$ genotype), and F1 mice ( $s / d$ genotype). F1 mice from 129S1/SvImJ dams are depicted as white triangles and F1 mice from C57BL/6J dams are depicted as black circles. F1 mice from $129 \mathrm{~S} 1 /$ SvImJ dams had larger MCV than F1 mice from the reciprocal cross ( $55.6 \pm 0.4 \mathrm{vs} 53.4 \pm 0.4 \mathrm{fL}, p=0.002$ ).


Figure S3 Hbb gene expression and MCV in pre-CC mice. Total $H b b-\beta$ (left) and $H b b-b 1$ (right) gene expression were measured by qRT-PCR using spleen RNA from 30 pre-CC mice. Parameters for regression lines are shown in Table S9.

Tables S1-S3 are available for download at http://www.g3journal.org/lookup/suppl/doi:10.1534/g3.111.001776/-/DC1.

Table S4 RBC and WBC Parameters in Collaborative Cross Founder Strain and pre-CC Mice


[^0]Table S5 SNPs in the Hemoglobin $\beta$ Locus that Distinguish Single vs. Diffuse Strains

| Hbb-b1 <br> Strain | Amino Acid Position |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 9 | 13 | 16 | 20 | 58 | 76 | 77 | 80 | 109 | 139 | Phenotype* |
| C57BL/6J | A | G | G | A | A | N | H | S | M | A | Single |
| NOD/ShiLtJ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | Single |
| NZO/HiLtJ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | Single |
| 129S1/SvlmJ | S | C | A | P | - | - | - | - | - | T | Diffuse |
| A/J | S | C | A | P | - | - | - | - | v | T | Diffuse |
| WSB/EiJ | S | C | A | S | P | - | - | - | V | T | Diffuse |
| PWK/PhJ | S | C | A | P | - | K | N | - | V | T | Diffuse |
| CAST/EiJ | S | C | - | - | - | K | $N$ | N | V | T | Diffuse |
| Hbb-b2 | Amino Acid Position |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Strain | 9 | 13 | 16 | 20 | 58 | 76 | 77 | 80 | 109 | 139 | Phenotype* |
| C57BL/6J | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | Single |
| NOD/ShiltJ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | Single |
| NZO/HiLtJ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | Single |
| 129S1/SvlmJ | - | C | - | S | - | - | - | - | - | T | Diffuse |
| A/J | - | C | - | S | - | - | - | - | - | T | Diffuse |
| WSB/EiJ | - | C | - | S | - | - | - | - | - | T | Diffuse |
| PWK/PhJ | - | C | - | S | - | - | - | - | - | T | Diffuse |
| CAST/EiJ | - | C | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | T | Diffuse |

* Phenotype refers to the band pattern of hemoglobin $\beta$ protein on isoelectric focusing experiments. Data from literature and databases was compiled to assemble this table.

Table S6 MCV (fL) Among Pre-CC mice and Founder Strains as a Function of Hbb-b1/b2 Single versus Diffuse Genotypes

|  |  |  | Founder <br> Mice* | p-value |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Founder Allele | n | Pre-CC | Mis |  |
| C57BL/6J (s/s) | 15 | 46.95 | 45.97 | 0.60 |
| NOD/ShiLtJ (s/s) | 10 | 47.23 | 55.90 | $\mathbf{2 . 0 \times 1 0 ^ { - 5 }}$ |
| NZO/HILtJ (s/s) | 9 | 47.71 | 44.52 | 0.28 |
| A/J (d/d) | 12 | 58.68 | 48.62 | $8.0 \times 10^{-4}$ |
| 129S1/SvImJ (d/d) | 7 | 58.30 | 62.42 | 0.15 |
| CAST/EiJ (d/d) | 9 | 56.82 | 46.32 | $\mathbf{1 . 7 \times 1 0 ^ { - 4 }}$ |
| PWK/PhJ (d/d) | 9 | 61.53 | 60.84 | 0.58 |
| WSB/EiJ (d/d) | 14 | 60.77 | 57.84 | 0.05 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Genotype Averages |  |  |  |  |
| s/s | 40 | 48.15 | 55.93 |  |
| d/d | 69 | 59.45 | 50.46 |  |

* Data for founder mice is from Table S1.

| QTL | Chr | Start | End | Range | Number of SNPs | Strains with region of shared ancestry | MismatchedSNPs |  | Shared <br> SNPs |  | Uniquely <br> Shared SNPs |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $n$ | \% | $n$ | \% | $n$ | \% |
| Mcvq4 | 7 | 110959072 | 111086522 | 127450 | 3499 | C57BL/6J |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | NOD/HiLtJ | 27 | 0.8 | 3472 | 99.2 | 1455 | 41.6 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | NZO/ShiLtJ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mcva5 | 14 | 20453181 | 22963216 | 2510035 | 35931 | 129S1/SvImJ NOD/HiLtJ | 457 | 1.3 | 35,474 | 98.7 | 619 | 1.7 |
| Moq1 | 1 | 92803891 | 92970550 | 166659 | 3357 | A/J | 76 | 23 | 3281 | 97.7 | 9 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 76 | 2.3 | 3281 | 97.7 | 9 |  |

Table S8
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Table S9 Regression Models of MCV as a Function of Hbb s/d Genotype and Hbb Gene Expression*

| 1. Hbb gene expression |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Term | Beta | p-value |
| Hbb expression | -0.02 | 0.99 |
| Intercept | 55.02 | $<0.001$ |


| 2. Hbb gene expression and s/d genotype |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| Predictor | Beta | p-value |
| Hbb expression | 1.00 | 0.26 |
| Genotype | 6.26 | $<0.001$ |
| Intercept | 41.88 | $<0.001$ |

3. Hbb gene expression, s/d genotype, and
genotype*expression

| Predictor | Beta | p-value |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Hbb expression | 1.62 | 0.28 |
| Genotype | 8.89 | 0.10 |
| Genotype*Expression | -0.51 | 0.61 |
| Intercept | 38.56 | $<0.001$ |


| 4. Hbb-b1 gene <br> expression |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Term | Beta | p-value |
| Hbb-b1 expression | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| Intercept | 54.91 | $<0.001$ |

5. Hbb-b1 and s/d
genotype

|  | Beta | p-value |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Gene Expression | 1.20 | 0.08 |
| Genotype | 6.57 | $<0.001$ |
| Intercept | 44.87 | $<0.001$ |
|  |  |  |
| 6. Hbb-b1 gene expression, s/d genotype, and |  |  |
| genotype*expression |  |  |
| Hbb-b1 expression | 1.79 | 0.16 |
| Genotype | 7.31 | $<0.001$ |
| Genotype*Expression | -0.43 | 0.58 |
| Intercept | 43.69 | $<0.001$ |

[^1]
[^0]:    Values are reported as mean (standard error).
    ${ }^{1}$ data were log-transformed for statistical analysis and mapping.
    ${ }^{2}$ ANOVA conducted using only founder strains.
    ${ }^{3} r_{1}$, the interclass correlation, and $\mathrm{g}^{2}$, coefficient of genetic determination, were calculated using founder strains only, as described in (Xing et al., 2009).

[^1]:    * Note that Hbb gene expression (total or Hbb-b1) is expressed as the $\Delta \mathrm{Ct}$ (relative to Rps29) - $\Delta \mathrm{Ct}$ as in Figure S3.

