

Basic Animal Simulation

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This document provides

(2015)

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# Basic animal breeding simulation
# Based on "historical breeding" portion of Jenko et al., 2015
# https://gsejournal.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12711-015-0135-3
library(AlphaSimR)
# Generate initial haplotypes
FOUNDERPOP = runMacs(nInd=1000,nChr=10,segSites=1000,
                    inbred=FALSE,species="TEST") #Using TEST instead of CATTLE for speed

# Set simulation parameters
SIMPARAM = createSimulation(FOUNDERPOP,maxQtl=1000,maxSnp=0,gender="yes_sys")
# Add a trait with additive effects
SIMPARAM = addTraitA(FOUNDERPOP,nQtlPerChr=1000,meanG=0,varG=1)

calves = newPop(FOUNDERPOP)
popMean = meanG(calves)
popVar = varG(calves)
for(i in 1:20){
  bulls = selectMale(calves,25,use="gv")
  cows = selectFemale(calves,500,use="gv")
  calves = randCross2(cows,bulls,nCrosses=1000)
  popMean = c(popMean,meanG(calves))
  popVar = c(popVar,varG(bulls))
}
plot(0:20,popMean,type="l",xlab="Generation",ylab="GV",main="Genetic Gain")
plot(0:20,popVar,type="l",xlab="Generation",ylab="GV",main="Genetic Variance")
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References

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