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Cow-calf efficiency of beef cows grazing different herbage allowances of rangelands: hepatic mechanisms related to energy efficiency

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Table S1: Climatic conditions and cow physiological status through the year

	Summer 08/09	Fall 09	Winter 09	Spring 09	Summer/Fall 09/10
Temperature, °C	24.3	16.8	12.9	18.2	23.9
Rainfall, mm	121	180	253	561	626
Days of gestation	0-60	60–150	150–240	240–282	
Days of lactation				0–50	50–142

Table S2. Primers used for real time qPCR.

Gene¹	Accession#²	Primer sequence³		Length(bp)	Efficiency
ACTB	BT030480	F	CTCTTCCAGCCTTCCTTCCT	178	1.15
		R	GGGCAGTGATCTCTTCTGC		
ATP5E	NM_001143741	F	GACATCATGGTGGCGTACTG	211	1.18
		R	CCACAGCTTCACCTGAACA		
ATP5O	NM_174244.1	F	CCTCTCACGTCCAACCTGAT	131	1.06
		R	GCAGTGGTAACTGTGCATGG		
COX19	NM_001109966	F	CATACGGACATCCCTTGCT	171	1.16
		R	GCTTCGGCAACTCCTTACTG		
CS	NM_001044721.1	F	AGCCAAGATAACCTGTTCCCT	217	0.99
		R	TGTGCTGGAAGAACGATTG		
CYC1	NM_001038090	F	CCAGGTAGCCAAGGATGTGT	227	1.10
		R	GACCCTGAAGCTCAGGACAG		
GCLC	NM_001083674	F	CACAAATTGGCAGACAATGC	211	1.11
		R	GGCGACCTTCATGTTCTCAT		
GPX1	NM_17407	F	ACATTGAAACCCTGCTGTCC	216	1.09
		R	TCATGAGGAGCTGTGGTCTG		
GPX3	NM_174077	F	TGCAACCAATTGGAAAACA	224	1.18
		R	TTCATGGGTTCCCAGAAAAG		
GPX4	NM_001346431.1	F	AGCCAGGGAGTAATGCAGAG	203	0.97
		R	CACACAGCCGTTCTGTCAA		
HPRT1	XM_580802	F	TGGAGAAGGTGTTATTCTTC	105	0.99
		R	CACAGAGGGCCACAATGTGA		
NDUFA4	NM_175820	F	TGCGGCTTAGCTTTCTCTC	152	1.12
		R	GC GTGACATACAGTGCTGCT		
NDUFA13	NM_176672	F	TCGACTACAAGCGGAACCTT	233	1.11
		R	AGTTGCCTCCTCCTCCAAGT		
NDUFC1	NM_174564	F	GGTCCCCGAGTGTCTCTCA	242	1.07

<i>PRDX3</i>	NM_174432.2	R F R	CGTGAATCCAGAGGAAC TGC CACACCAGAAAAGAGCCACA CTAGCCATCCATCCACACCT	210	1.16
<i>PRDX5</i>	NM_174749.2	F R	CCTTCTACCTCAGCCTCGAG CAACCTTAATCGGGGCCATG	245	1.08
<i>RPL19</i>	NM_001040516.1	F R	CCCCAATGAGACCAATGAAATC CAGCCCATCTTGATCAGCTT	156	1.14
<i>SDHA</i>	NM_174178.2	F R	ACATGCAGAACAGTCGATGCAG GGTCTCCACCAGGTCA GTGT	155	1.03
<i>SDHD</i>	NM_174179.2	F R	TTTGGCTAGGATGGATGGAG ACTGAACAGAGGGGGAGGTT	92	1.02
<i>SOD1</i>	NM_174615	F R	AGAGGCATGTTGGAGACCTG CAGCGTTGCCAGTCTTGTA	189	1.16
<i>SOD2</i>	NM_201527.2	F R	CAGGGACGCTTACAGATTGC CTGACGGTTACTTGCTGCA	212	1.14
<i>UQCRC1</i>	NM_174629.2	F R	CAGTCTTCCCAGCCTACCTG AGCCAGATGCTCCACAAAGT	105	0.98
<i>UQCRH</i>	NM_001034745	F R	CTGGTGTGGCTAAGGGGATA GGACTCAACACAAAGCAGCAA	232	1.10
<i>NDUFV1</i>	Genomic DNA	F R	GTTCTTCTTAGGTTCTCACGTGG TGAGAATTACTGACGTGACCTCT	251	
<i>mt-CO1</i>	Mitochondrial DNA	F R	TCTTCCCACAACACTTCTAGGA TGTCGTGGTTAAGTCTACAGTCA	198	

¹Genes: β-actin (*ACTB*), ATP synthase, H⁺ transporting, mitochondrial F1 complex, epsilon subunit (*ATP5E*); ATP synthase, H⁺ transporting, mitochondrial F1 complex, O subunit (*ATP5O*), cytochrome c oxidase assembly factor (*COX19*); citrate syntase (*CS*), cytochrome c-1 (*CYC1*), glutamate-cysteine ligase catalytic subunit (*GCLC*), glutathione peroxidase 1 (*GPX1*), glutathione peroxidase 3 (*GPX3*), glutathione peroxidase 4 (*GPX4*), hypoxanthine phosphoribosyl transferase (*HPRT1*); NADH:ubiquinone oxidoreductase subunit A4 (*NDUFA4*), NADH:ubiquinone

oxidoreductase subunit A13 (*NDUFA13*), NADH:ubiquinone oxidoreductase subunit C1 (*NDUFC1*), peroxiredoxin 3 (*PRDX3*) and peroxiredoxin 5 (*PRDX5*), copper zinc superoxide dismutase 1, soluble (*SOD1*), manganese superoxide dismutase 2, mitochondrial (*SOD2*), ribosomal protein L19 (*RPL19*), succinate dehydrogenase complex, subunit A, flavoprotein (Fp) (*SDHA*), succinate dehydrogenase complex, subunit D (*SDHD*), ubiquinol-cytochrome c reductase core protein I (*UQCRC1*), ubiquinol-cytochrome c reductase hinge protein (*UQCRH*). Mitochondrially encoded cytochrome c oxidase I (*mt-CO1*, mitochondrial gene) and NADH:ubiquinoneoxidoreductase core subunit V1 (*NDUFV1*, nuclear gene).

²Gene bank sequences.

³F = foreword; R = reverse

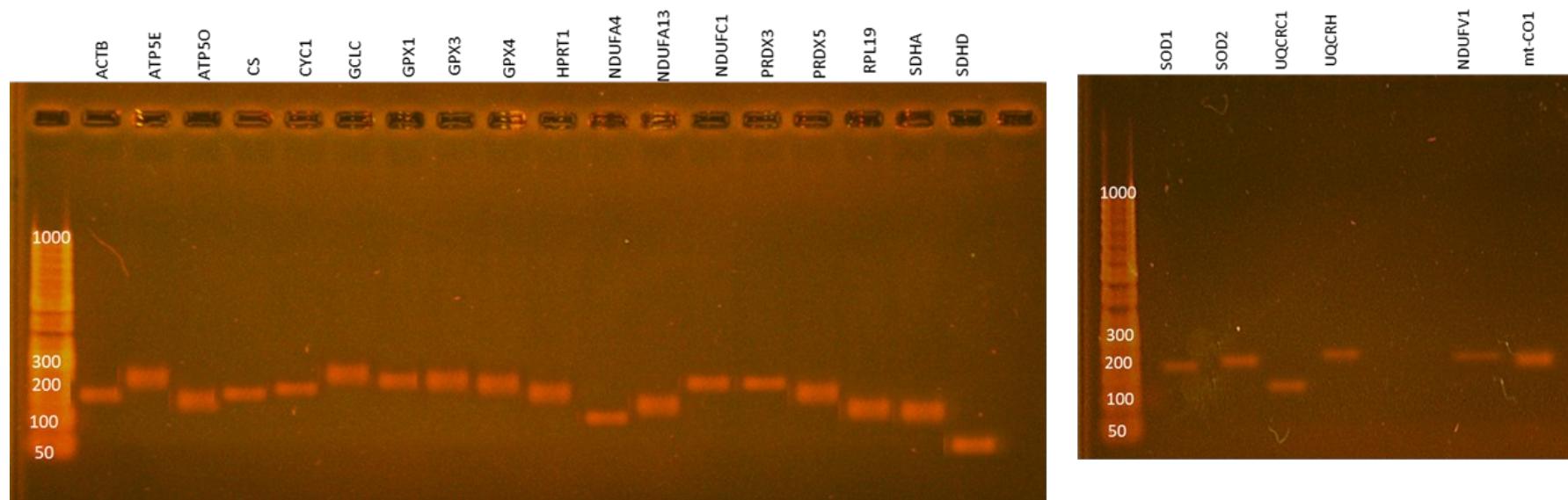


Figure S1: Primer product size as estimated by 1% agarose gel separation. Genes: β -actin (ACTB), ATP synthase, H⁺ transporting, mitochondrial F1 complex, epsilon subunit (ATP5E); ATP synthase, H⁺ transporting, mitochondrial F1 complex, O subunit (ATP5O), cytochrome c oxidase assembly factor (COX19); citrate syntase (CS), cytochrome c-1 (CYC1), glutamate-cysteine ligase catalytic subunit (GCLC), glutathione peroxidase 1 (GPX1), glutathione peroxidase 3 (GPX3), glutathione peroxidase 4 (GPX4), hypoxanthine phosphoribosyl transferase (HPRT1); NADH:ubiquinone oxidoreductase subunit A4 (NDUFA4), NADH:ubiquinone oxidoreductase subunit A13 (NDUFA13), NADH:ubiquinone oxidoreductase subunit C1 (NDUFC1), peroxiredoxin 3 (PRDX3) and peroxiredoxin 5 (PRDX5), copper zinc superoxide dismutase 1, soluble (SOD1), manganese superoxide dismutase 2, mitochondrial (SOD2), ribosomal protein L19 (RPL19), succinate dehydrogenase complex, subunit A, flavoprotein (Fp) (SDHA), succinate dehydrogenase complex, subunit D (SDHD), ubiquinol-cytochrome c reductase core protein I (UQCRC1), ubiquinol-cytochrome c reductase hinge protein (UQCRH). Mitochondrially encoded cytochrome c oxidase I (mt-CO1, mitochondrial gene) and NADH:ubiquinoneoxidoreductase core subunit V1 (NDUFV1, nuclear gene).

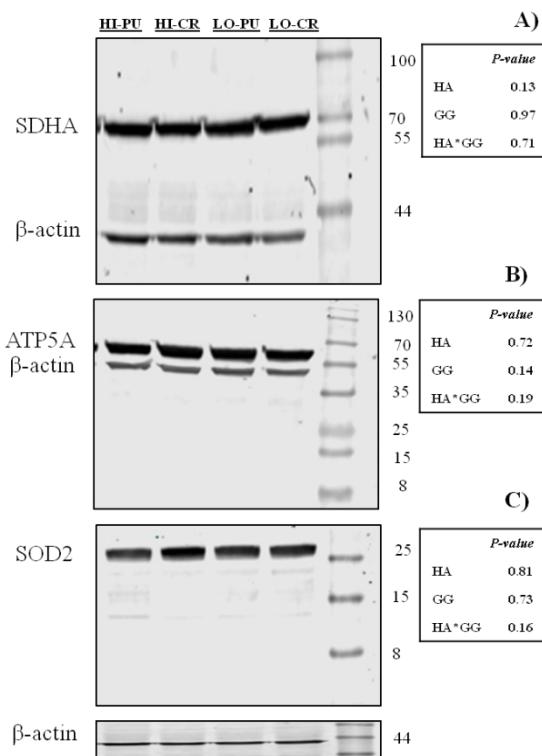


Figure S2: Representative western blot analysis of succinate dehydrogenase complex, subunit A (SDHA; **A**), ATP synthase F1 subunit alpha (ATP5A; **B**) and manganese superoxide dismutase (SOD2; **C**) antibody in liver of purebred and crossbred beef cows grazing high and low in average herbage allowances (2 vs. 4 kg dry matter/kg of body weight of annual mean, respectively) of native pastures: High-crossbred cows (HI-CR); High-purebred cows (HI-PU); Low-crossbred cows (LO-CR); Low-purebred cows (LO-PU). [n = 32, 8 cows per treatment]. A quantity of 30 µg of proteins were loaded and separated by SDS-PAGE. Immunoblotting was performed with a polyclonal antibody that recognized SDHA, ATP5A and SOD2. Data were normalized with β-actin density and normalized values were expressed as a percentage relative to the HI-CR group (Control). CG: Cow genotype; HA*CG: HA and CG interaction.