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| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AF121050 | AAGGATCATT | ATTGAGCTTA | TCCATTACT | TGGATTCAA | TGAATCGAGC | TGAATT-TTC | GCTGTTGCTT | TCAAAGCGTT | 79 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY171247 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 68 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY230170 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 79 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I8 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | C----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 79 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I1 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 79 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | H9 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 79 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AB243439 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 79 | |
| <i>S. oregonense</i> | AF122019 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | CG.T | ----- | T.C | 80 | |
| <i>S. kraussei</i> | AB243442 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | C.T | ----- | T. | 79 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AF121050 | GTATTCCTCTC | AACCTAACGGC | TATGAATGGT | TTCTATAGGT | GTCTGGAGCA | GTTGTATGAG | CGTGACTGTG | GTGATGGACA | 159 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY171247 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 148 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY230170 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 159 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I8 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 159 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I1 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 159 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | H9 | ----- | C----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 159 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AB243439 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 159 | |
| <i>S. oregonense</i> | AF122019 | ----- | T----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 160 | |
| <i>S. kraussei</i> | AB243442 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | T----- | ----- | ----- | 159 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AF121050 | TTTTGGTGGC | TCCTTAGTCG | GGTC--ACTA | GAATTAAGA | AGTCTGTTAT | GACTCGCCGT | TCTTAAAAAA | -CTCAATTA | 236 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY171247 | ----- | AT----- | A.A----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 225 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY230170 | ----- | GGA----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 230 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I8 | ----- | GGA----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 230 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I1 | ----- | GGA----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 230 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | H9 | ----- | GGA----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 230 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AB243439 | ----- | GGA----- | ----- | T----- | T----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 226 | |
| <i>S. oregonense</i> | AF122019 | ----- | GA----- | ----- | T.G----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | A.C | 228 | |
| <i>S. kraussei</i> | AB243442 | ----- | GA----- | ----- | T.C.GGA----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | A.C | 228 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AF121050 | ACGTTTGATC | AATTTGACTG | CACCAGCCGT | AGGTGTA | AAAGATTTAT | CAAGTCTGT | CGGTGGATCA | CTCGGTTCCGT | 316 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY171247 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 305 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY230170 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 310 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I8 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 310 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I1 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 310 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | H9 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 310 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AB243439 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 306 | |
| <i>S. oregonense</i> | AF122019 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 308 | |
| <i>S. kraussei</i> | AB243442 | ----- | A----- | ----- | ----- | A----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 308 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AF121050 | AGTTCGATGA | AAAACGGGGC | AAAAACCGTT | ATTTGGCGTG | AATTGCAGAC | ATATTGAACG | CTAAAATTTT | GAACGCAAT | 396 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY171247 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 385 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY230170 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 390 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I8 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | A----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 390 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I1 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 390 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | H9 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 390 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AB243439 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 386 | |
| <i>S. oregonense</i> | AF122019 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 388 | |
| <i>S. kraussei</i> | AB243442 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 388 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AF121050 | GGCACTATCA | GGTTTATATC | TGTTAGTATG | TTTGGTTGAG | GGTCGATTAA | TTCGTAACCT | GCAGTCTGCT | GTGACTGTTT | 476 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY171247 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 465 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY230170 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 470 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I8 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 470 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I1 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 470 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | H9 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 470 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AB243439 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 466 | |
| <i>S. oregonense</i> | AF122019 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | T----- | ----- | 468 | |
| <i>S. kraussei</i> | AB243442 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | T----- | C.C | 468 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AF121050 | TTTCGATTAG | TTATTTGG-T | ----- | TTTTTT | ATCGAGTACC | TTTTTGGAA | GTGAA--TTT | GATTGCTAA | TTCGTTTCCCT | 549 |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY171247 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 539 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY230170 | ----- | ----- | A----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | T----- | 543 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I8 | ----- | ----- | A----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | T----- | 543 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I1 | ----- | ----- | A----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | T----- | 543 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | H9 | ----- | ----- | A----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | T----- | 543 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AB243439 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 539 | |
| <i>S. oregonense</i> | AF122019 | ----- | C----- | C.C.AT | GGC.CGC.G | ----- | C.A.T | ----- | A----- | 546 | |
| <i>S. kraussei</i> | AB243442 | ----- | C.C.ATC | TGCA.GC.G | ----- | ----- | G----- | A.CT | ----- | 548 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AF121050 | AATCGAAACG | AGCTATTTTT | TATTTCTG-T | GCAATGTATT | TTTGGTGT | CGGCCTTTTT | CTTGCCGACT | GATTGGTACA | 628 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY171247 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | G----- | ----- | 618 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY230170 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | C----- | ----- | ----- | 622 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I8 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | G----- | ----- | 622 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I1 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 622 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | H9 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | C----- | ----- | ----- | 622 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AB243439 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 618 | |
| <i>S. oregonense</i> | AF122019 | ----- | ----- | C----- | G.A----- | G----- | .GT----- | ----- | CG----- | CT----- | 626 |
| <i>S. kraussei</i> | AB243442 | ----- | C----- | ----- | G.A----- | .GT----- | ----- | CG----- | ----- | A.T----- | 626 |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AF121050 | AACCTAACAG | TTCTGATATT | TTTCAGAATT | TTTCAGAGGC | CCTTACAATA | CATCACTGA | CACAACACGT | ATCGTTTGTG | 708 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY171247 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 698 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY230170 | ----- | T----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | A----- | 702 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I8 | ----- | T----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | C.A----- | 702 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I1 | ----- | T----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | A----- | 702 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | H9 | ----- | T----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | A----- | 702 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AB243439 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 698 | |
| <i>S. oregonense</i> | AF122019 | ----- | ----- | G----- | C----- | T----- | GA----- | T----- | GCT----- | T----- | 697 |
| <i>S. kraussei</i> | AB243442 | ----- | G----- | A----- | G----- | C----- | T----- | A----- | G----- | T----- | 705 |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AF121050 | GAGGAATTGC | GCAAGAAA-- | -GAAACTTTT | CGTTTT-ACG | ACCTCAACTC | AAGCAAGATT | ACCCGCTGAA | CTTAA | 779 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY171247 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 743 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AY230170 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 773 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I8 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 773 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | I1 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 773 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | H9 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 773 | |
| <i>S. feltiae</i> | AB243439 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | 769 | |
| <i>S. oregonense</i> | AF122019 | ----- | T----- | C----- | A----- | TTG | TA----- | CT----- | ----- | T----- | 772 |
| <i>S. kraussei</i> | AB243442 | ----- | AT----- | C----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | C----- | ----- | ----- | 776 |

Fig. 1. Multiple sequence alignment of the ITS rDNA region (including partial fragments of the 18S and 28S rDNA genes) of three *Steinernema* species. Codes H9, I1 and I8 correspond to the Portuguese isolates of *Steinernema feltiae*. Highlighted grey correspond to different ITS1 sequences types of *Steinernema feltiae* isolates.