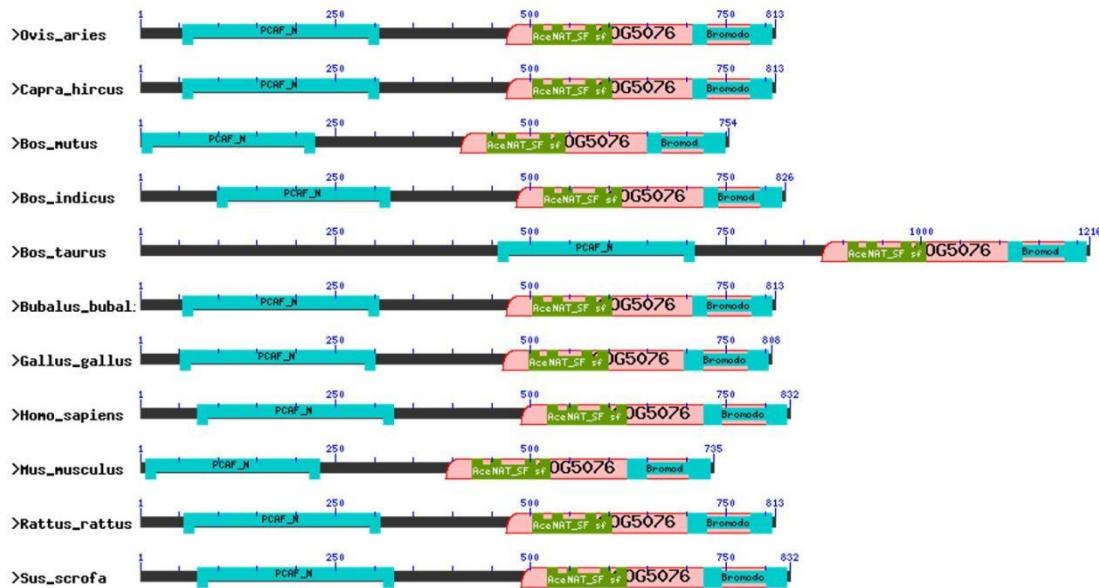


**Figure S1.** Distribution of phenotypes in Qinchuan cattle (**A**), Fu cattle (**B**), Yak (**C**), Chaidam cattle (**D**). BH=body height, CW=chest width, HIW=hip-width, WH=withers height, BL=body length, CG=chest girth, CCB=circumference of cannon bone, BM=body mass.



**Figure S2.** Significant motifs of KAT2B across the 11 species. Motifs were detected using the MEME suite. The different color letters show abbreviations of different amino acids, given through motif analysis on the MEME suite system.



**Figure S3.** Structure of KAT2B protein domain families in the 11 species. Each color bar is a specific hit representing a different domain superfamily.

**Table S1.** Primers for exploring genetic variations of bovine KAT2B gene.

Targeted Exon	Sequence (5'-3')	Tm (°C)	Production Size (bp)
Exon1	F: TCCTGGGATGCTCTTGCC R: AAGCCATGTTCTGAGGTGATGTT	63	597
Exon2	F: TCAGCGAAAAGAAACCAAA R: GGAAAAGTGAGCGGAGACAA	57	827
Exon3	F: TGGCTGTAAGGAAGGGGTGA R: GTGGGTCTTGTATGCTCTGTG	55	874
Exon4	F: GTGTCCCATACTGTCCTCC R: TGTTCTTCACATTGCTCCTG	53	772
Exon5	F: GCAAAGCTGCATGAGTAAAC R: TGGAGATGAGTCTGAGCAAG	52	770
Exon6	F: CTTATCACTCCTGCGTTT R: ACCCAAAGTCAACCTCATCT	53	757
Exon7	F: CCTACATGGAGCCAAAGAG R: GCACTGCACGTCTGAGACT	57	881
Exon8	F: TTGCTTCTTATTCTTGCC R: AACTGCGTTCTCCTGCTC	55	796
Exon9	F: AGTCCCTGCTCAAGGAAATC	55	508
Exon10	R: AGCATCAGACAACACGCAA	56	661
Exon11	F: ACTGCTGTGGACTGTCCCTT	55	706
Exon12	R: ACCCGAGTGTTCTCTTTCT	54	817
Exon13	F: CCCAACACAGGAGGTGAGACA	54	635
Exon14	R: CCAAAAGACCACATTCCAAA	55	541
Exon15	F: GGAAGGATTGCTGATTGTT	59	828
Exon16	R: CCCCGTTTAGAATGTTAGG	55	578
	F: CAGGATAGTTGAAACGGAGC		
	R: GTGGGTGAAGGATGAAGACA		
Exon17	F: CCGAGATAACTGGCACTACG R: AGCAGAGCAGACGCAAAGGA	48	712

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F: TGC GTT ACA ACC CAG GGT CTG  
R: TTG CGT GAAGT GGAGG AAAA  
F: GGCT GGAGG AT ATT GAT GGA  
R: ACAC GCC CCT AAC CT AT GACA  
F: GTTT CCC ACTT TAG TT CT GT  
R: CATT AT GTCCA ATT CTT GT

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