

# Aqp4 Cas9-CKO Strategy

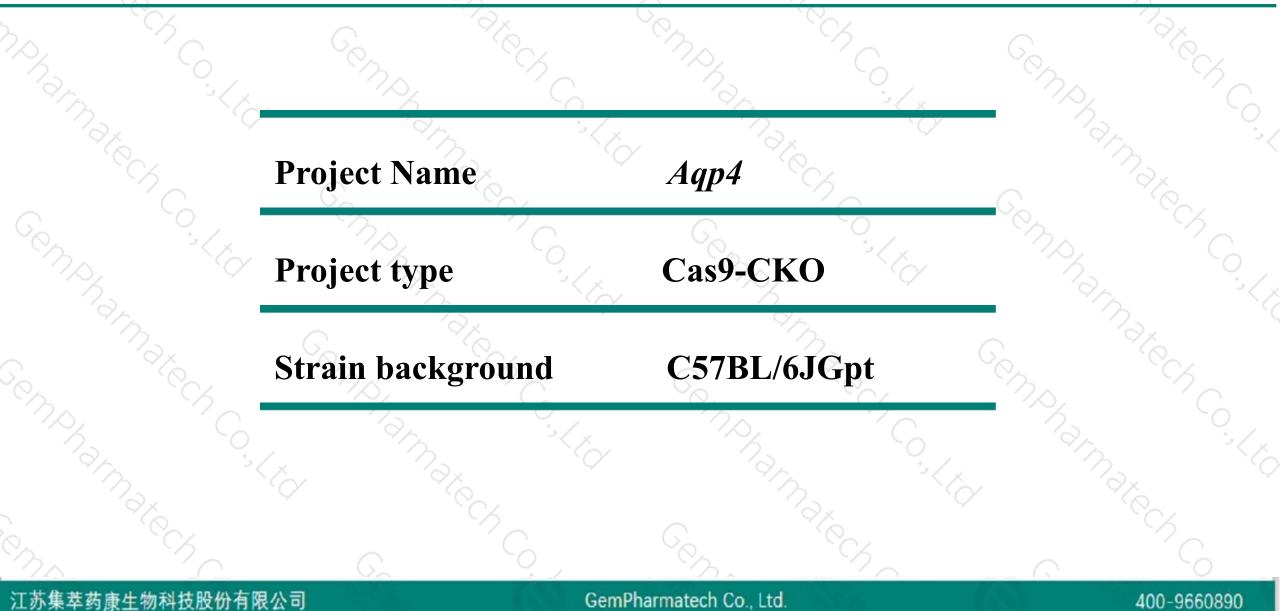
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# **Project Overview**

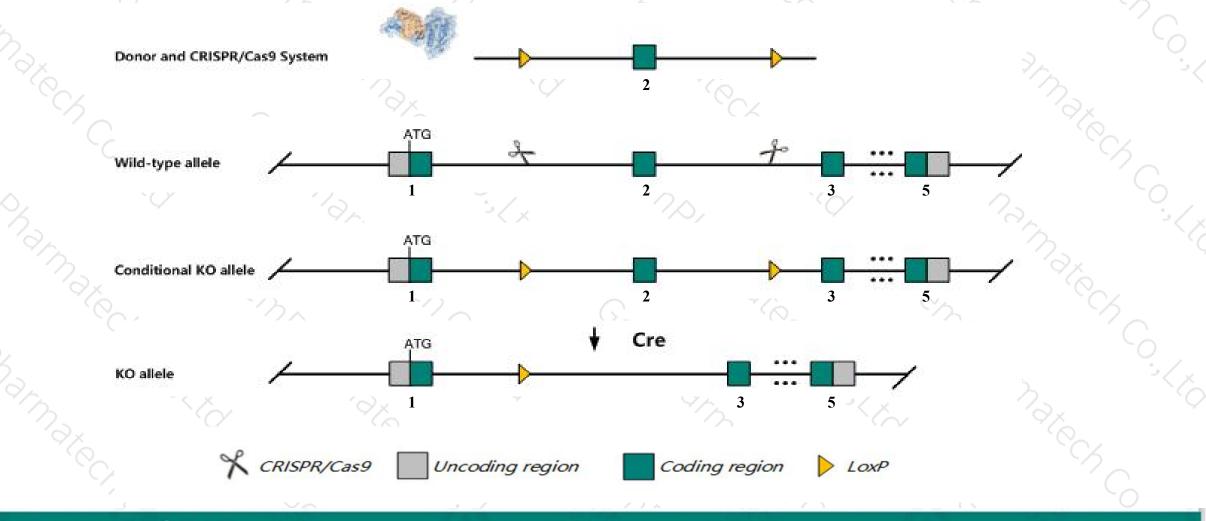




# **Conditional Knockout strategy**



This model will use CRISPR/Cas9 technology to edit the *Aqp4* gene. The schematic diagram is as follows:



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The Aqp4 gene has 11 transcripts. According to the structure of Aqp4 gene, exon2 of Aqp4-201 (ENSMUST00000079081.7) transcript is recommended as the knockout region. The region contains 415bp coding sequence. Knock out the region will result in disruption of protein function.

In this project we use CRISPR/Cas9 technology to modify *Aqp4* gene. The brief process is as follows:CRISPR/Cas9 system and Donor were microinjected into the fertilized eggs of C57BL/6JGpt mice.Fertilized eggs were transplanted to obtain positive F0 mice which were confirmed by PCR and sequencing. A stable F1 generation mouse model was obtained by mating positive F0 generation mice with C57BL/6JGpt mice.

The flox mice will be knocked out after mating with mice expressing Cre recombinase, resulting in the loss of function of the target gene in specific tissues and cell types.



- According to the existing MGI data, Homozygotes for a targeted mutation exhibit decreased urine osmolality associated with reduced water permeability in inner medullary collecting ducts, increased survival rates and reduced brain edema after acute water intoxication and ischemic stroke, aswell as significant hearing impairment.
- The Aqp4 gene is located on the Chr18. If the knockout mice are crossed with other mice strains to obtain double gene positive homozygous mouse offspring, please avoid the two genes on the same chromosome.
- This Strategy is designed based on genetic information in existing databases. Due to the complexity of biological processes, all risk of loxp insertion on gene transcription, RNA splicing and protein translation cannot be predicted at existing technological level.

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## Gene information (NCBI)



400-9660890

### Aqp4 aquaporin 4 [Mus musculus (house mouse)]

Gene ID: 11829, updated on 9-Apr-2019

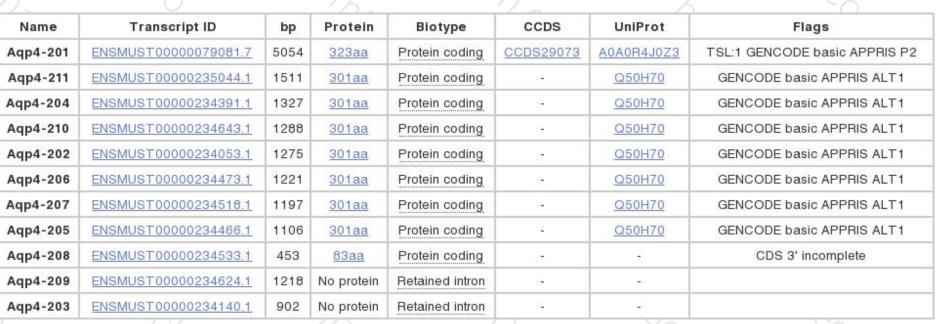
#### Summary

Official Symbol Aqp4 provided by MGI Official Full Name aquaporin 4 provided by MGI Primary source MGI:MGI:107387 See related Ensembl:ENSMUSG00000024411 Gene type protein coding RefSeq status REVIEWED Organism Mus musculus Lineage Eukaryota; Metazoa; Chordata; Craniata; Vertebrata; Euteleostomi; Mammalia; Eutheria; Euarchontoglires; Glires; Rodentia; Myomorpha; Muroidea; Muridae; Murinae; Mus; Mus Also known as WCH4 Summary This gene encodes a member of the aquaporin family of intrinsic membrane proteins that function as water-selective channels in the plasma membranes of many cells. This protein is the predominant aquaporin found in brain and has an important role in brain water homeostasis. Alternatively spliced transcript variants encoding different isoforms have been described for this gene. A recent study provided evidence for translational readthrough in this gene and expression of an additional C-terminally extended isoform via the use of an alternative in-frame translation termination codon. [provided by RefSeq, Dec 2015] Expression Biased expression in cerebellum adult (RPKM 26.4), frontal lobe adult (RPKM 12.8) and 4 other tissues See more Orthologs human all

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# **Transcript information (Ensembl)**



The gene has 11 transcripts, all transcripts are shown below:

The strategy is based on the design of Aqp4-201 transcript, The transcription is shown below

#### < Aqp4-201 protein coding

Reverse strand

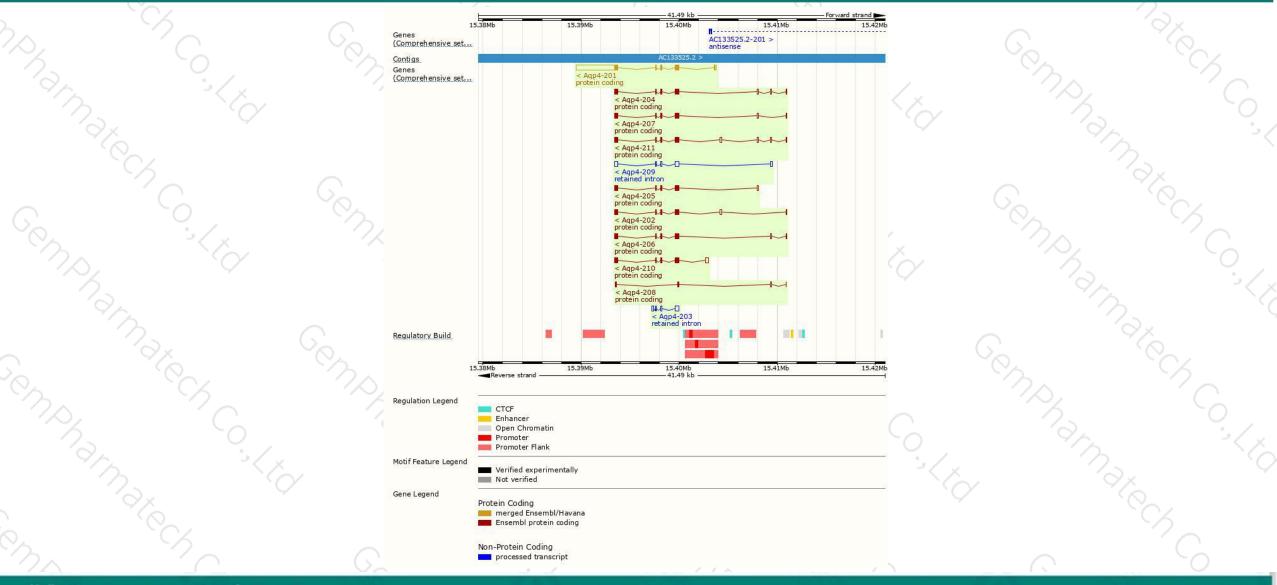
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## **Genomic location distribution**



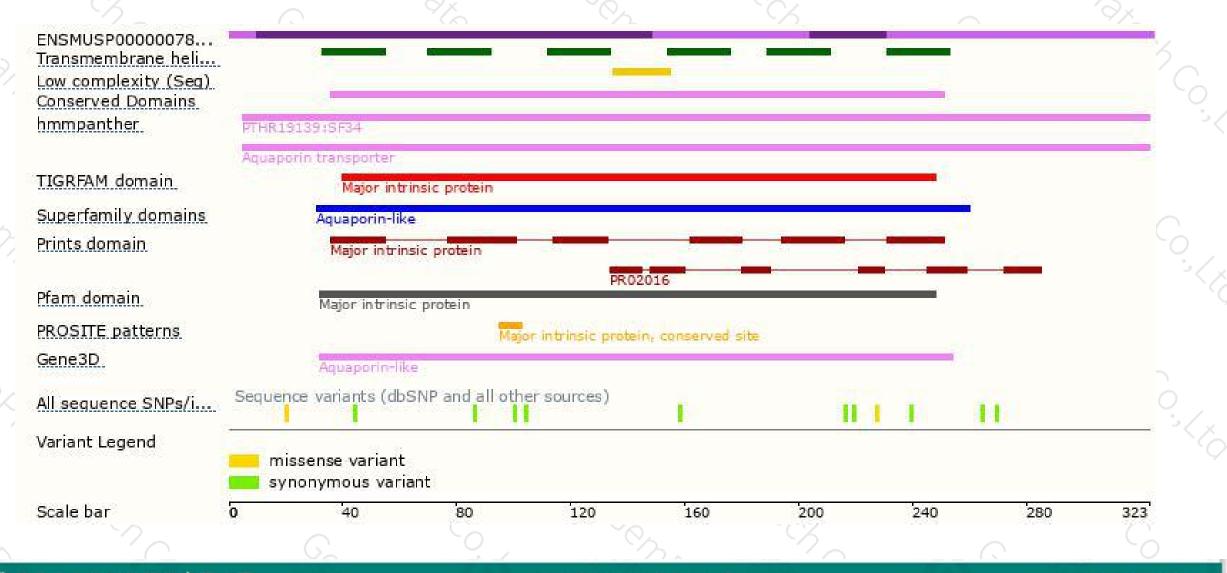


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### **Protein domain**



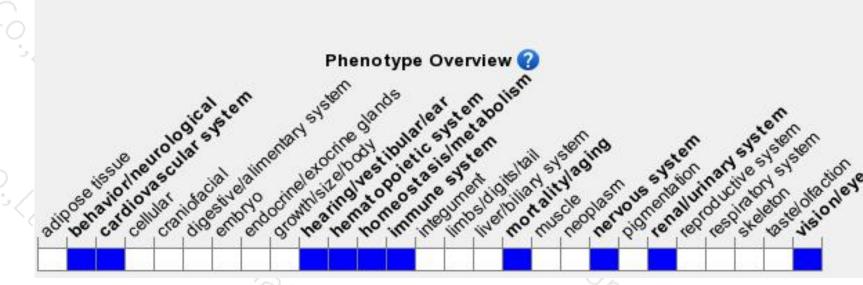


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# Mouse phenotype description(MGI)





Phenotypes affected by the gene are marked in blue.Data quoted from MGI database(http://www.informatics.jax.org/).

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