



Vax2 Cas9-CKO Strategy

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Project Overview

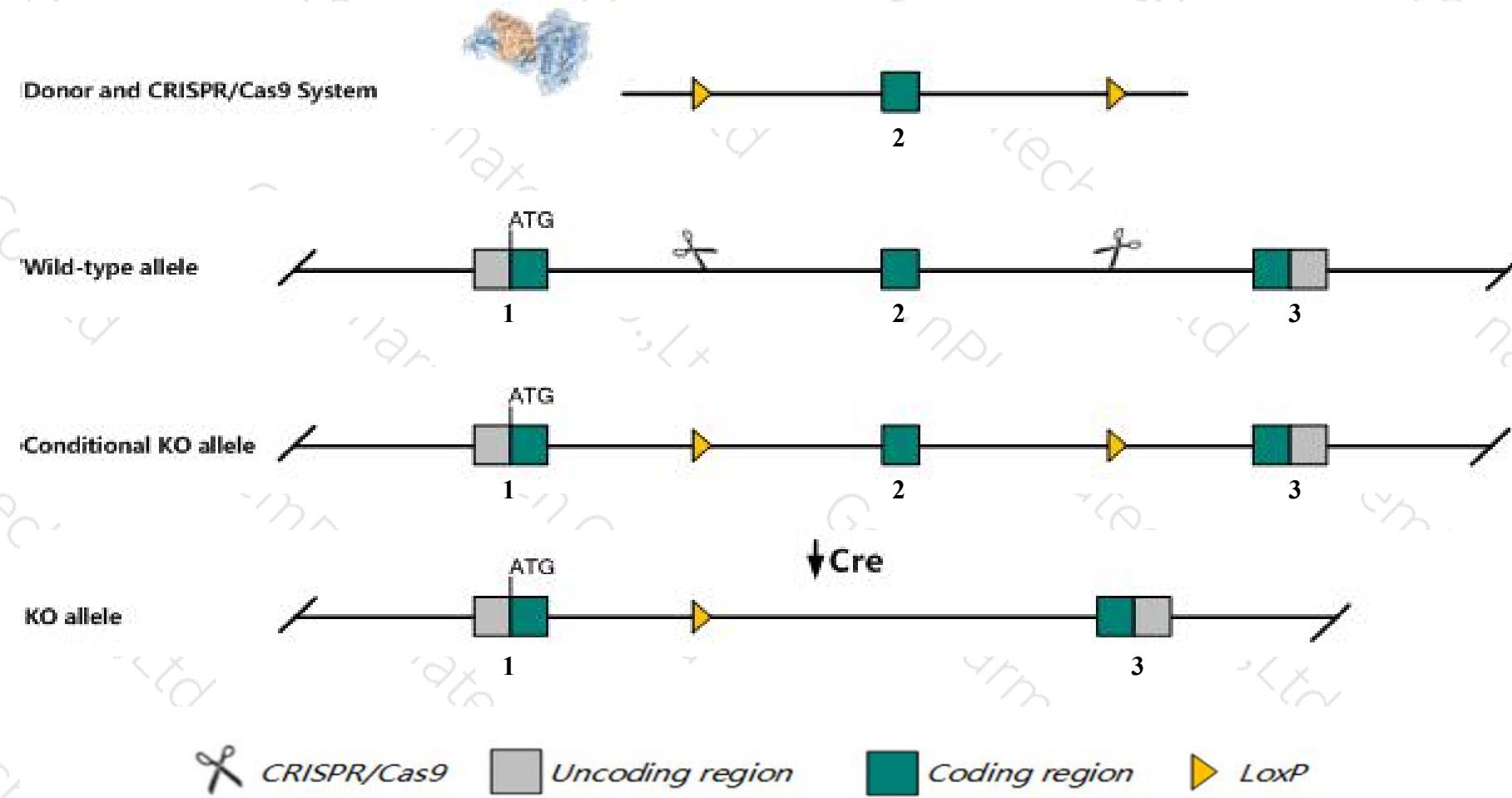
Project Name**Vax2**

Project type**Cas9-CKO**

Strain background**C57BL/6JGpt**

Conditional Knockout strategy

This model will use CRISPR/Cas9 technology to edit the *Vax2* gene. The schematic diagram is as follows:



Technical routes

- The *Vax2* gene has 1 transcript. According to the structure of *Vax2* gene, exon2 of *Vax2-201* (ENSMUST00000037807.2) transcript is recommended as the knockout region. The region contains 188bp coding sequence. Knock out the region will result in disruption of protein function.
- In this project we use CRISPR/Cas9 technology to modify *Vax2* 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.



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Notice

- According to the existing MGI data, Homozygous null mutants for one allele show incomplete closure of optic fissure leading to coloboma, the frequency of which is strongly influenced by genetic background. Homozygous null mutants for 2 different alleles have abnormal projections of ventralretinal ganglion cells.
- The *Vax2* gene is located on the Chr6. 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.



Gene information (NCBI)

Vax2 ventral anterior homeobox 2 [Mus musculus (house mouse)]

Gene ID: 24113, updated on 31-Jan-2019

Summary



Official Symbol Vax2 provided by [MGI](#)

Official Full Name ventral anterior homeobox 2 provided by [MGI](#)

Primary source [MGI:MGI:1346018](#)

See related [Ensembl:ENSMUSG00000034777](#)

Gene type protein coding

RefSeq status VALIDATED

Organism [Mus musculus](#)

Lineage Eukaryota; Metazoa; Chordata; Craniata; Vertebrata; Euteleostomi; Mammalia; Eutheria; Euarchontoglires; Glires; Rodentia; Myomorpha; Muroidea; Muridae; Murinae; Mus; Mus

Also known as Dres93

Expression Biased expression in testis adult (RPKM 1.1), limb E14.5 (RPKM 0.3) and 5 other tissues [See more](#)

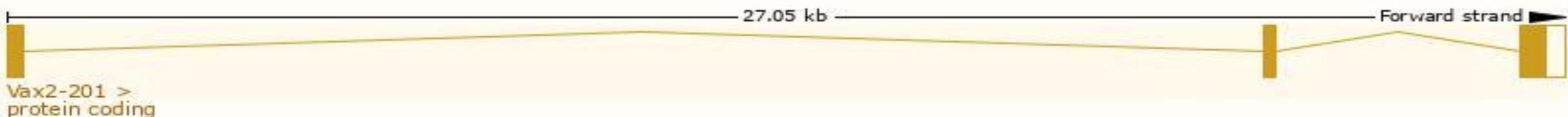
Orthologs [human](#) [all](#)

Transcript information (Ensembl)

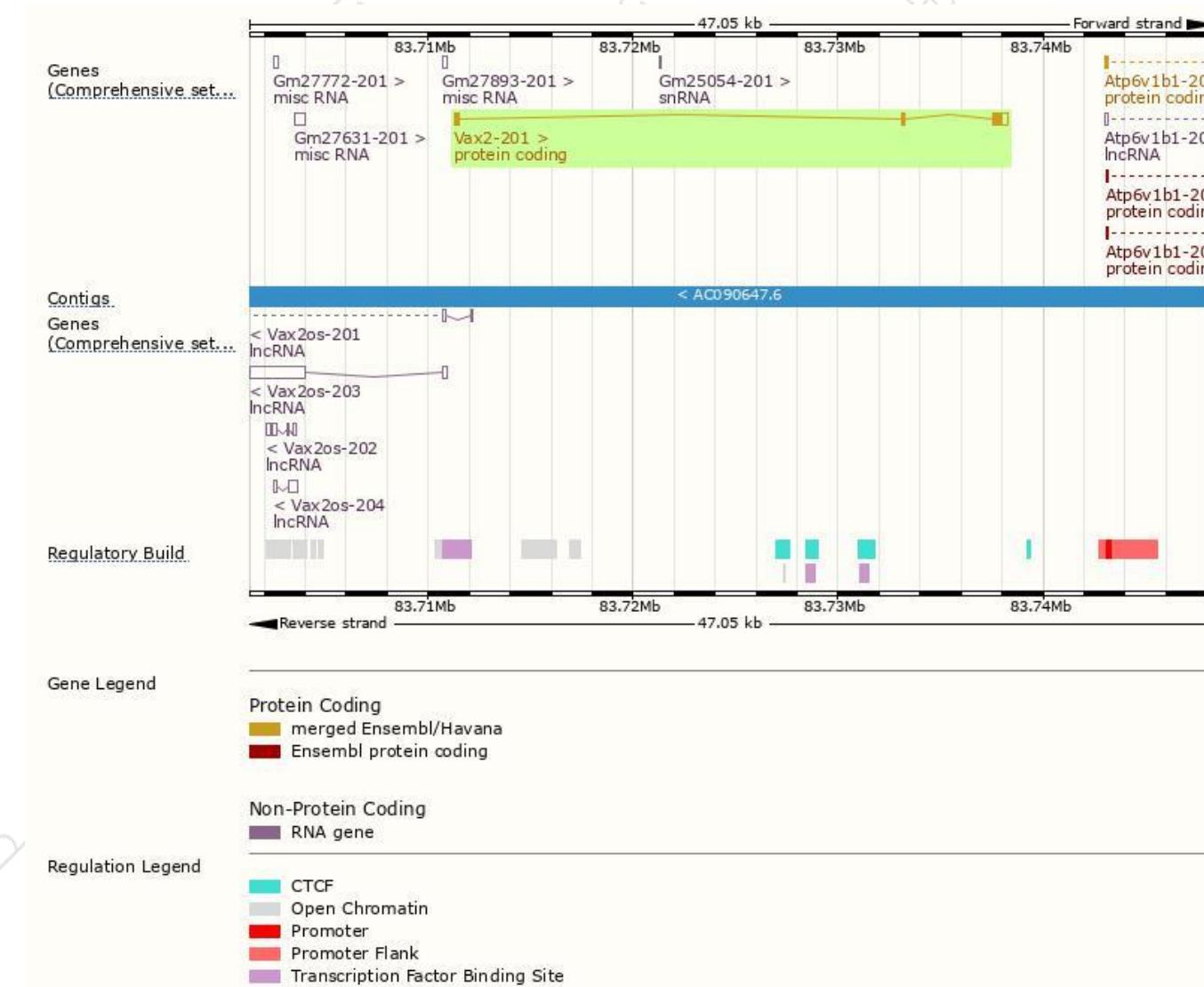
The gene has 1 transcript, and the transcript is shown below:

| Name | Transcript ID | bp | Protein | Biotype | CCDS | UniProt | Flags |
|----------|--------------------------------------|------|-----------------------|----------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Vax2-201 | ENSMUST00000037807.2 | 1242 | 292aa | Protein coding | CCDS20282 | Q14B19 Q9WTP9 | TSL:1 GENCODE basic APPRIS P1 |

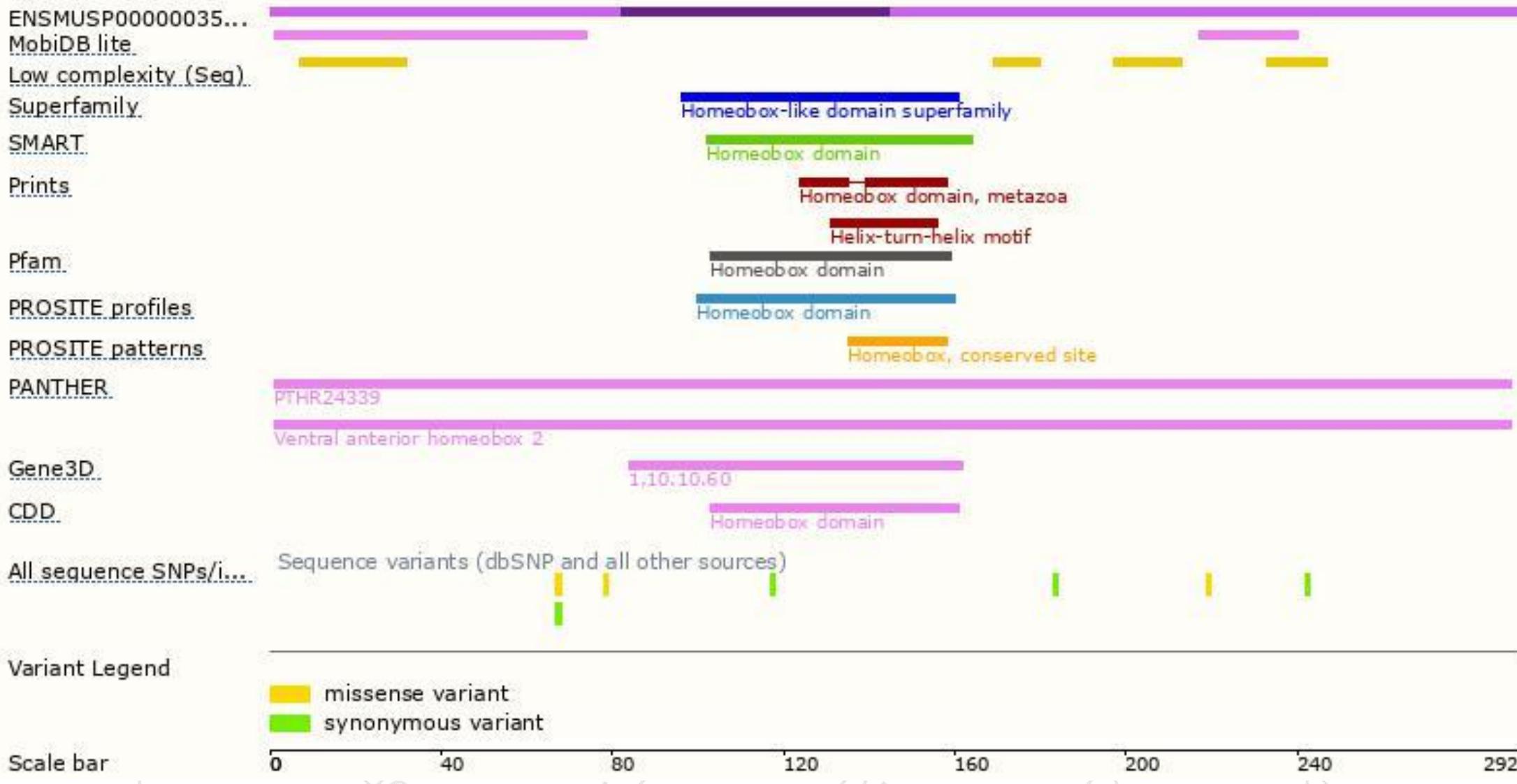
The strategy is based on the design of *Vax2-201* transcript. The transcription is shown below



Genomic location distribution



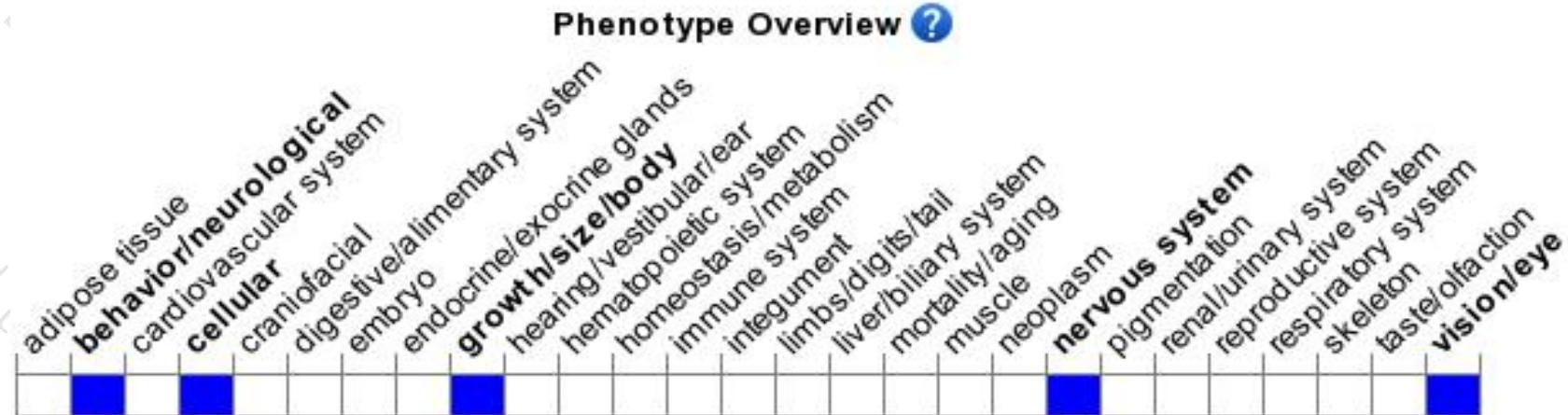
Protein domain





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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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