

# ***Galc Cas9-CKO Strategy***

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# Project Overview

**Project Name**

*Galc*

**Project type**

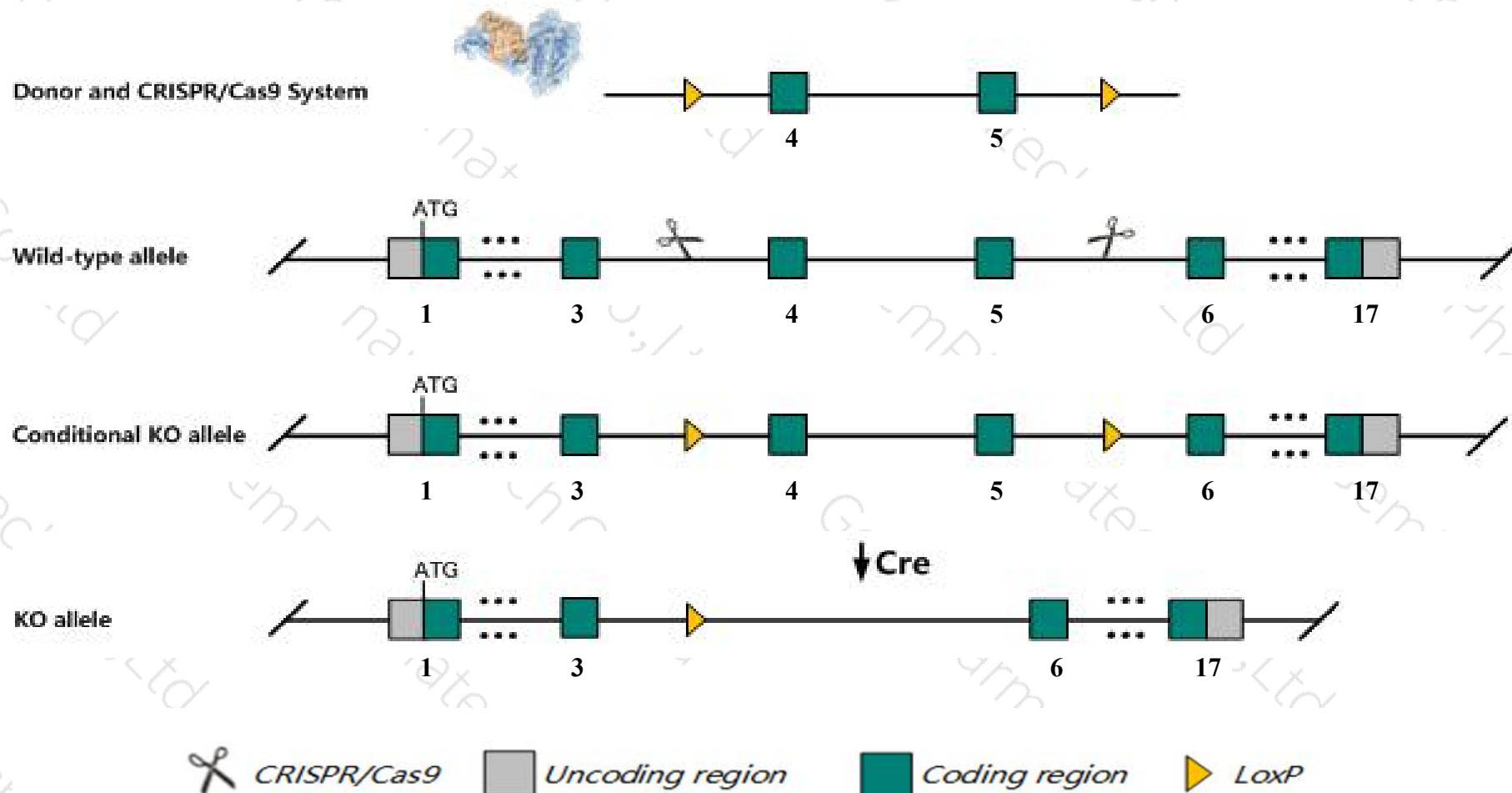
**Cas9-CKO**

**Strain background**

**C57BL/6JGpt**

# Conditional Knockout strategy

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



- The *Galc* gene has 7 transcripts. According to the structure of *Galc* gene, exon4-exon5 of *Galc-201*(ENSMUST00000021390.8) transcript is recommended as the knockout region. The region contains 254bp coding sequence. Knock out the region will result in disruption of protein function.
- In this project we use CRISPR/Cas9 technology to modify *Galc* 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 spontaneous and targeted mutations exhibit tremors, progressive weakness, wasting, both central and peripheral demyelination, massive accumulation of galactosylceramide, abnormal macrophages, and death by 4 months of age.
- The *Galc* gene is located on the Chr12. 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)

## Galc galactosylceramidase [Mus musculus (house mouse)]

Gene ID: 14420, updated on 13-Mar-2020

### Summary

**Official Symbol** Galc provided by [MGI](#)

**Official Full Name** galactosylceramidase provided by [MGI](#)

**Primary source** [MGI:MGI:95636](#)

**See related** [Ensembl:ENSMUSG00000021003](#)

**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** 2310068B06Rik, A930008M05Rik, AW212969, AW413532, Gacy, twi, twitcher

**Summary** This gene encodes galactosylceramidase, the lysosomal hydrolase involved in the catabolism of galactosylceramide. Mutations in this gene result in slow growth, tremors and hind leg weakness, collectively termed as the 'twitcher' phenotype. In humans, deficiency of this gene product causes a lysosomal storage disorder known as Krabbe disease. [provided by RefSeq, Dec 2014]

**Expression** Ubiquitous expression in kidney adult (RPKM 11.0), testis adult (RPKM 4.6) and 25 other tissues [See more](#)

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

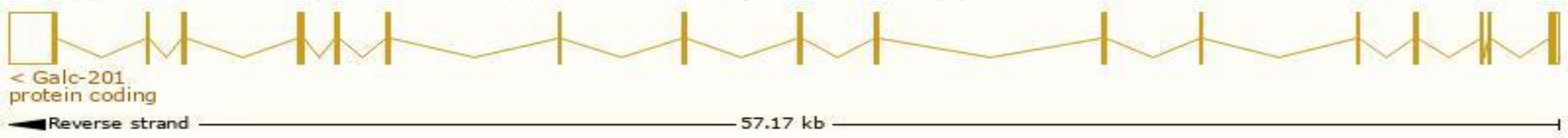
# Transcript information (Ensembl)



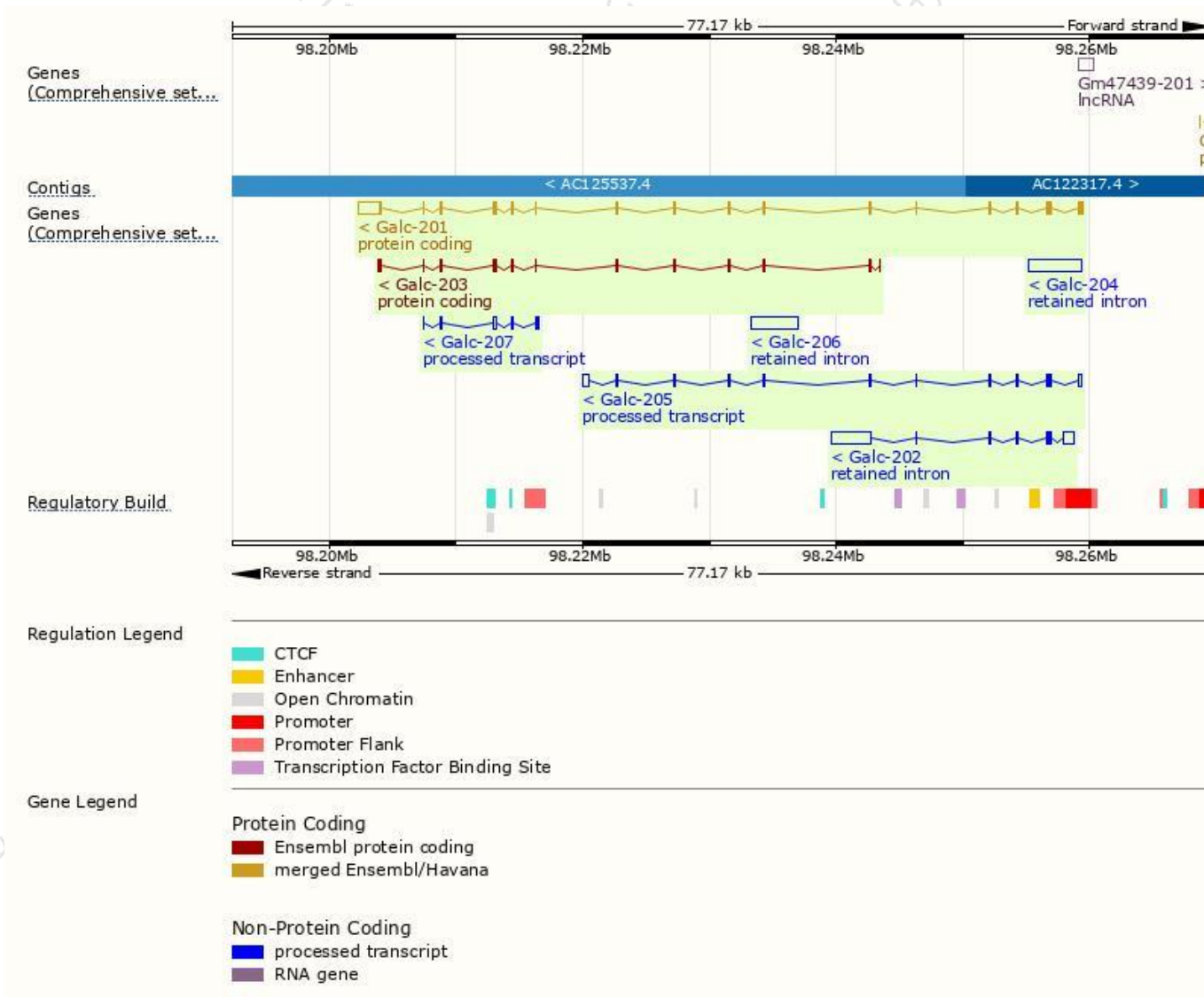
The gene has 7 transcripts,all transcripts are shown below:

Name	Transcript ID	bp	Protein	Biotype	CCDS	UniProt	Flags
Galc-201	<a href="#">ENSMUST00000021390.8</a>	3832	<a href="#">684aa</a>	Protein coding	<a href="#">CCDS36517</a>	<a href="#">P54818</a>	TSL:1 GENCODE basic APPRIS is a system to annotate alternatively spliced transcripts based on a range of computational methods to identify the most functionally important transcript(s) of a gene. APPRIS P1
Galc-203	<a href="#">ENSMUST000000221063.1</a>	1619	<a href="#">491aa</a>	Protein coding	-	<a href="#">A0A1Y7VM63</a>	CDS 5' incomplete TSL:1
Galc-205	<a href="#">ENSMUST000000222042.1</a>	1646	No protein	Processed transcript	-	-	TSL:1
Galc-207	<a href="#">ENSMUST000000222703.1</a>	685	No protein	Processed transcript	-	-	TSL:5
Galc-202	<a href="#">ENSMUST000000220501.1</a>	4439	No protein	Retained intron	-	-	TSL:1
Galc-204	<a href="#">ENSMUST000000221322.1</a>	4153	No protein	Retained intron	-	-	TSL:NA
Galc-206	<a href="#">ENSMUST000000222379.1</a>	3771	No protein	Retained intron	-	-	TSL:NA

The strategy is based on the design of *Galc-201* transcript,the transcription is shown below:

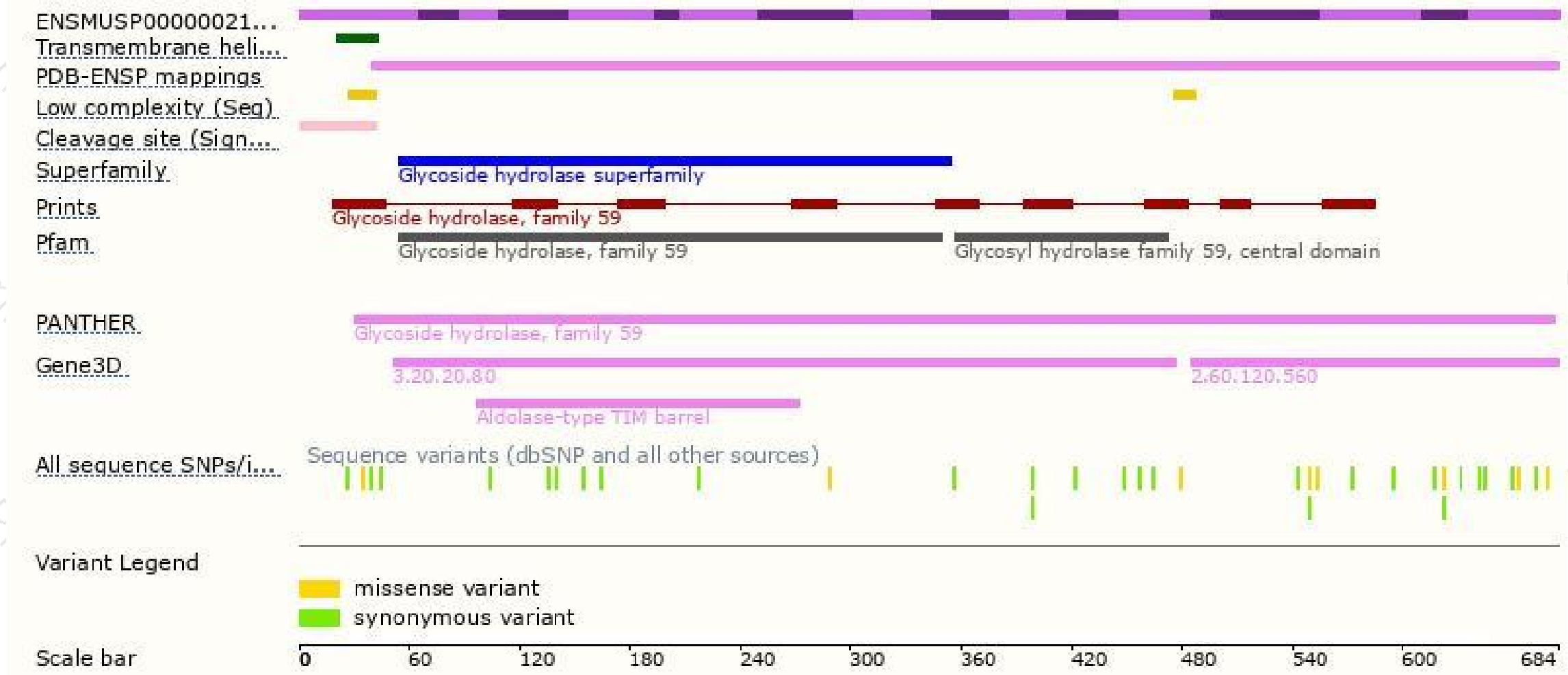


# Genomic location distribution

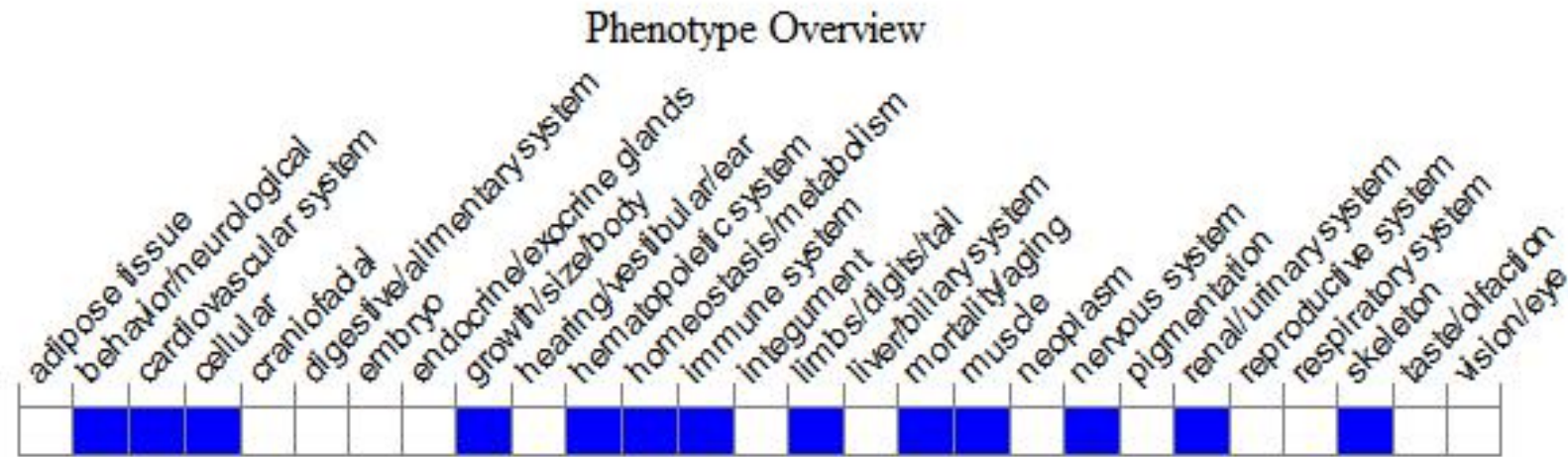




# Protein domain



# 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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If you have any questions, you are welcome to inquire.

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