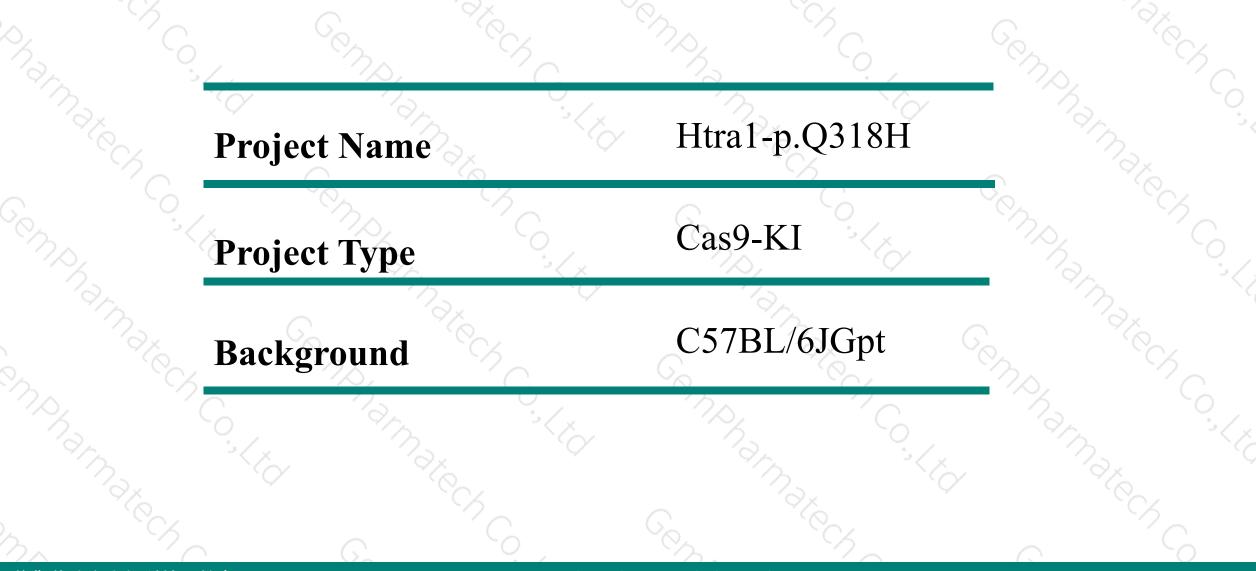
Htra1-p.Q318H Mouse Model Strategy -CRISPR/Cas9 technology

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Project Overview



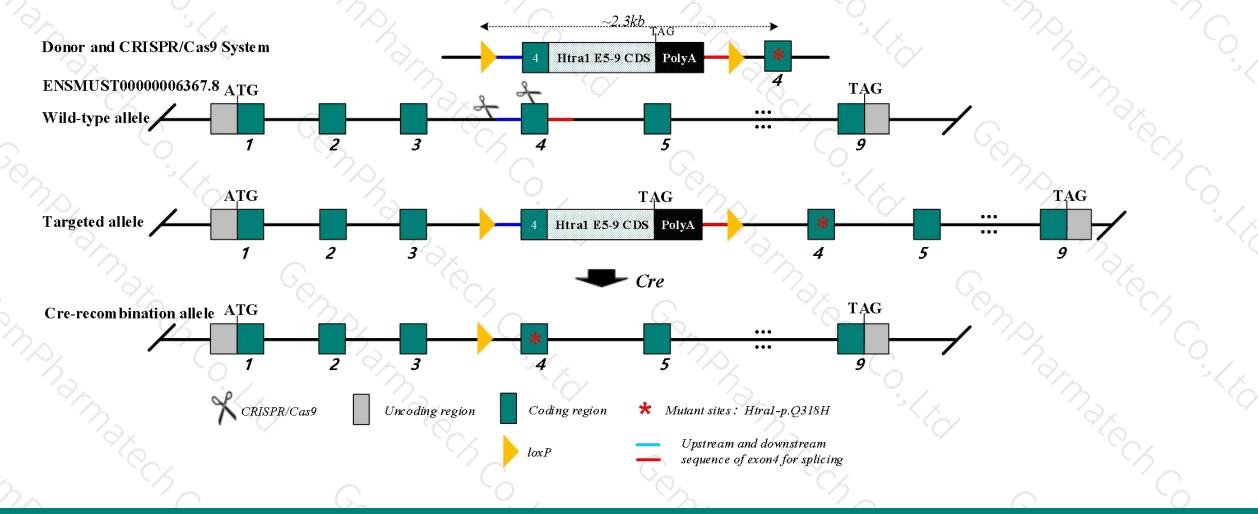


Strategy



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This model uses CRISPR/Cas9 technology to edit the *Htra1* gene and the schematic diagram is as follow:



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Technical Description



- According to the data of Ensembl, mouse *Htra1* gene has 5 transcripts.
- The mouse model will introduce *p.Q318H* point mutation in exon4 of *Htra1*-201 (ENSMUST0000006367.8), the 318th amino acid of *Htra1* is mutated from Q(Gln) to H(His), and the loxP-flanked *Htra1* exon4-9 CDS with polyA signal will be inserted into intron3-4, when the Cre recombinase was expressed in the target cells, these flanking elements will be deleted for following expression of *Q318H*.
- *Htra1*-201 has 9 exons, the translation start codon ATG is located in exon1, and the translation stop codon TAG is located in exon9, which encodes 480 amino acids.
- In this project, *Htra1* gene will be modified by CRISPR/Cas9 technology. The brief process is as follows: the donor vector and gRNA were constructed in vitro, Cas9,donor and gRNA were microinjected into the fertilized eggs of C57BL/6JGpt mice, and obtained positive F0 generation mice. The F0 positive mice were mated with C57BL/6JGpt mice, the pups will be genotyped by PCR, followed by sequence analysis.



- According to the data of MGI, Mice homozygous for a knock-out allele exhibit normal retinal morphology. Mice homozygous for a different
- allele exhibit increased bone volume and increased trabecular bone thickness without body weight gain, and the lethality of Q318H mutation
- is unknown.
- Intron3-4 of *Htra1* gene contains repeat structure, mutations may be introduced in this region during targeting.
- In addition to the target mutation of p.Q318H, it may be necessary to introduce 1~2 amino acid synonymous mutations on both endogenous and exogenous exon4 respectively.
- Mouse *Htra1* gene is located on Chr7. Please take the loci in consideration when breeding this mutation mice with other gene modified

strains, if the other gene is also on Chr7, it may be extremely hard to get double gene positive homozygotes.

The scheme is designed according to the genetic information in the existing database. Due to the complex process of gene transcription and translation, it cannot be predicted completely at the present technology level.

Mutation Site



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The yellow region is exon4 of *Htra1-201*, and the red region represents the p.Q318H mutation site.

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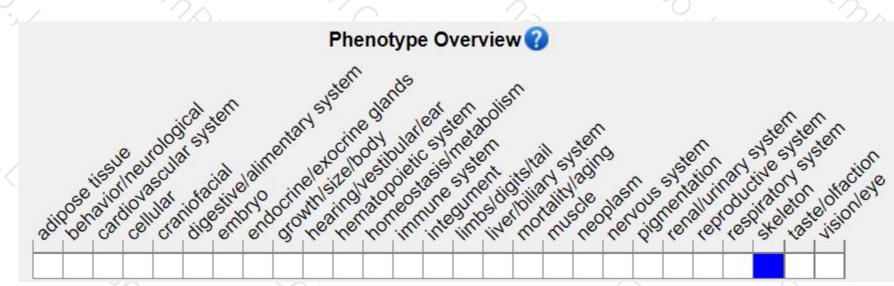
Htral exon4-9 CDS Sequence(666nt)



Mouse phenotype description(MGI)



http://www.informatics.jax.org/marker/MGI:1929076



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Gene name and location (NCBI)

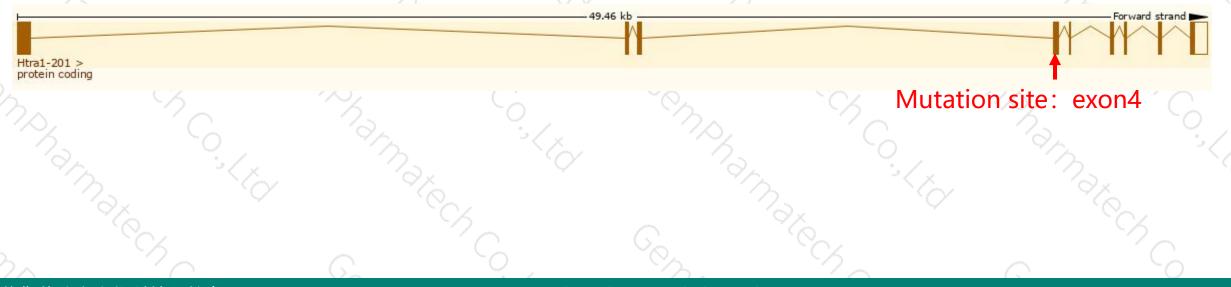


Transcript information (Ensembl)



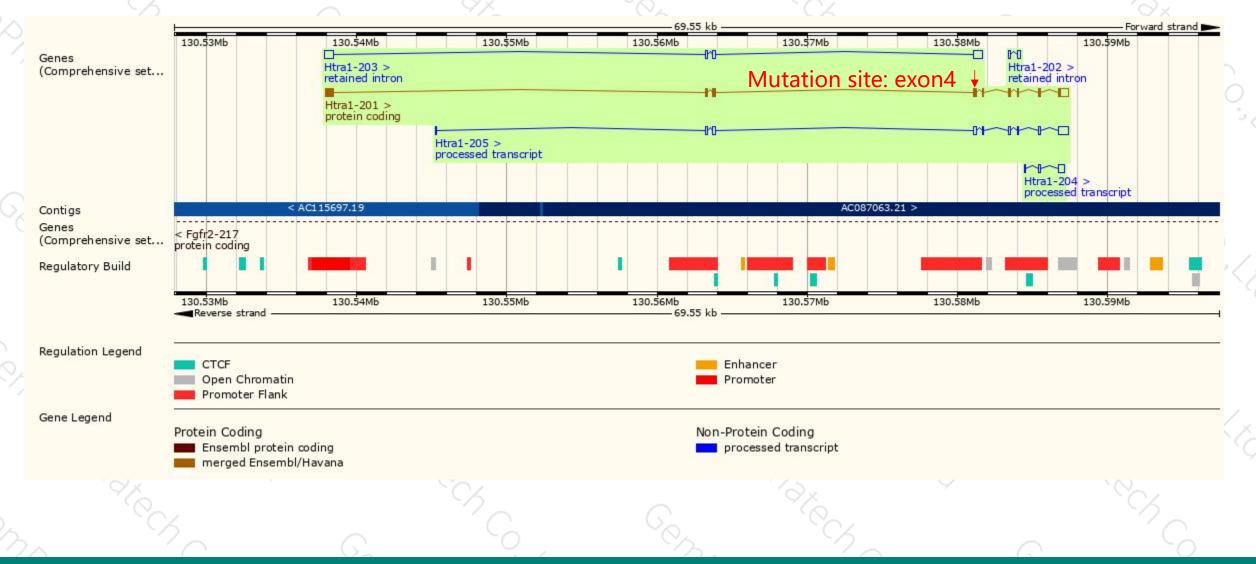
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Htra1-202	ENSMUST00000140741.2	309	No protein	Retained intron	7	5.	TSL:3

The strategy is based on the design of *Htra1-201* transcript, the transcription is shown below:



Genomic location distribution





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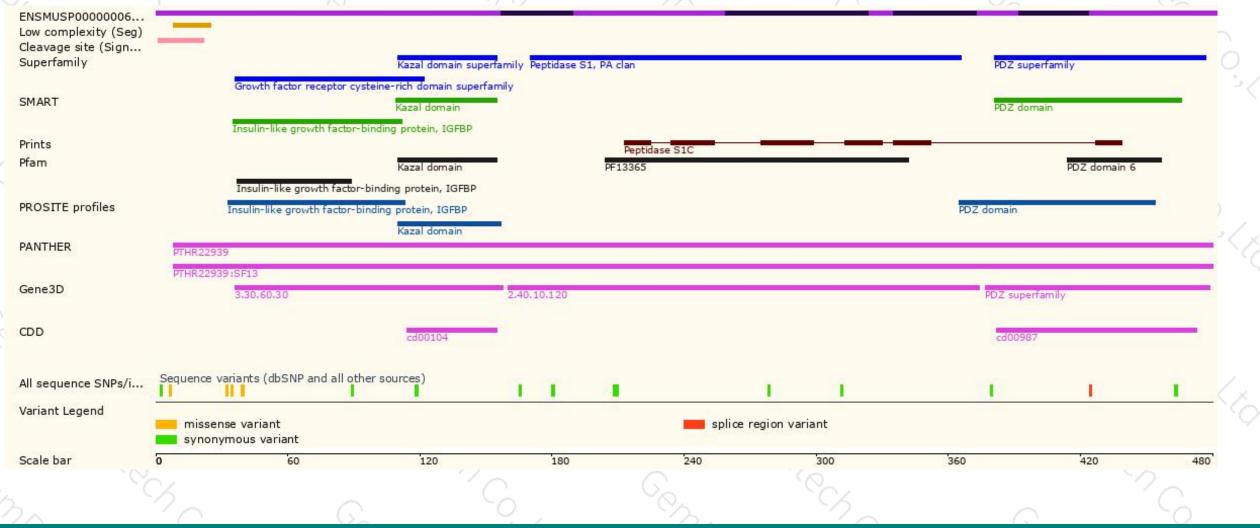
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Protein domain



Protein domains for ENSMUSP0000006367.8



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