

# ***Maf*** Cas9-CKO Strategy

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# Project Overview

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**Project Name**

*Maf*

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**Project type**

**Cas9-CKO**

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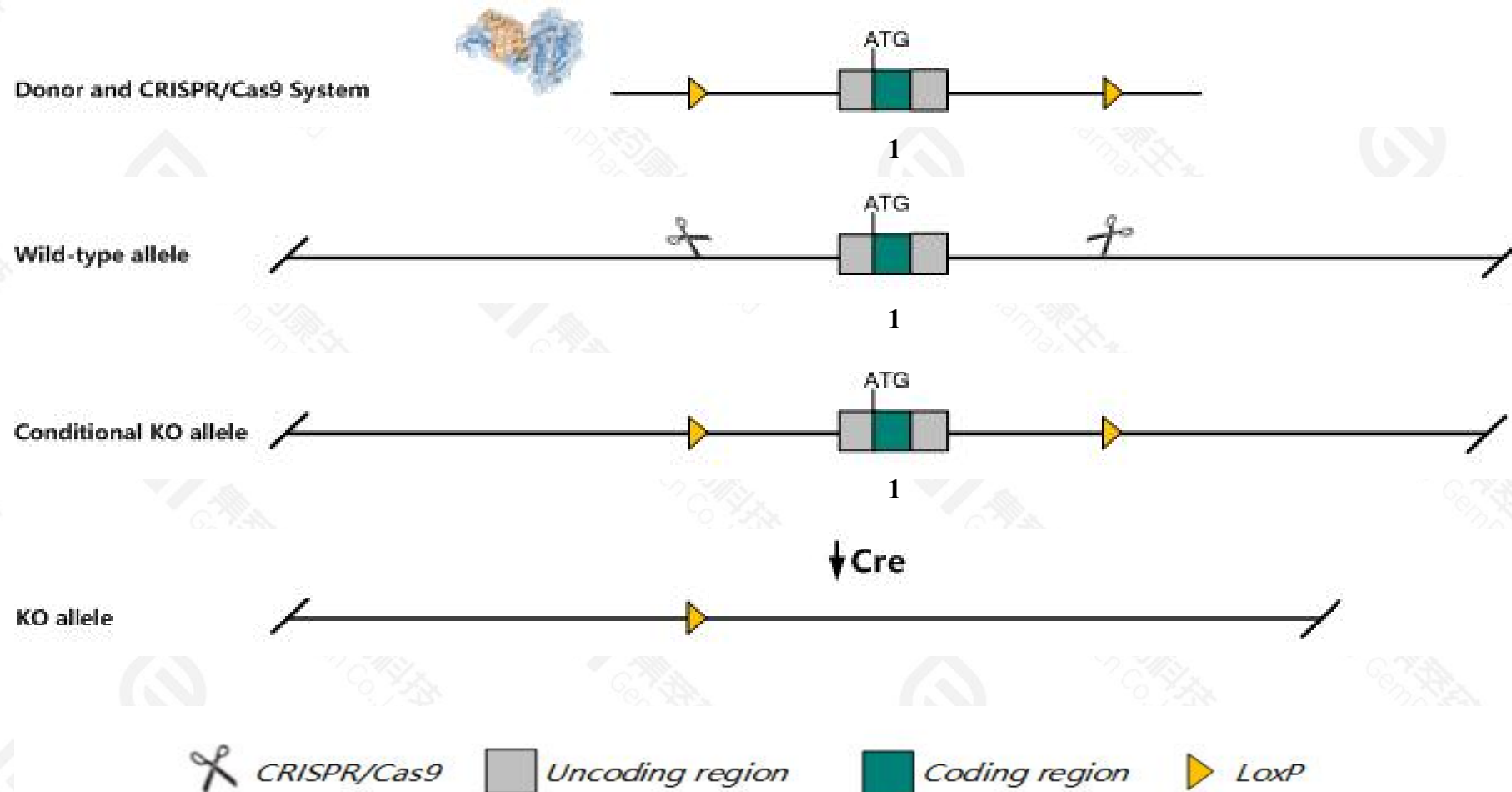
**Strain background**

**C57BL/6JGpt**

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# Conditional Knockout strategy

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



- The *Maf* gene has 2 transcripts. According to the structure of *Maf* gene, exon1 of *Maf*-202(ENSMUST00000109104.2) transcript is recommended as the knockout region. The region contains all of the coding sequence. Knock out the region will result in disruption of protein function.
- In this project we use CRISPR/Cas9 technology to modify *Maf* 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 show increased mortality at embryonic day 17.5-18.5, low postnatal survival, abnormal differentiation of lens fiber cells causing microphthalmia, defective lens development and impaired IL4 production by CD4+ T cells and natural killer cells.
- The KO region contains *Gm15655* gene. Knockout the region will delete *Gm15655* gene.
- The *Maf* gene is located on the Chr8. 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)

## Maf avian musculoaponeurotic fibrosarcoma oncogene homolog [ *Mus musculus* (house mouse) ]

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Gene ID: 17132, updated on 28-Dec-2021

### Summary

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

**Official Full Name** avian musculoaponeurotic fibrosarcoma oncogene homolog provided by [MGI](#)

**Primary source** [MGI:MGI:96909](#)

**See related** [Ensembl:ENSMUSG00000055435](#)

**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** c-maf; AW047063; 2810401A20Rik; A230108G15Rik

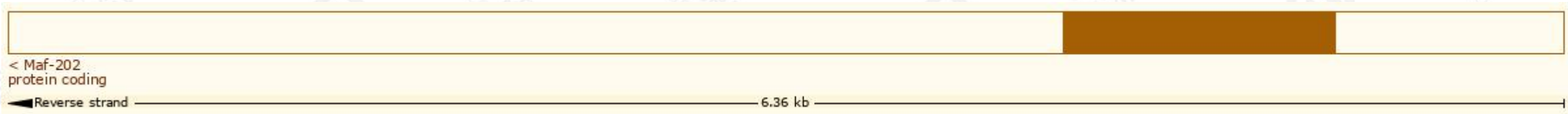
**Orthologs** [human](#) [all](#)

# Transcript information (Ensembl)

The gene has 2 transcripts,all transcripts are shown below:

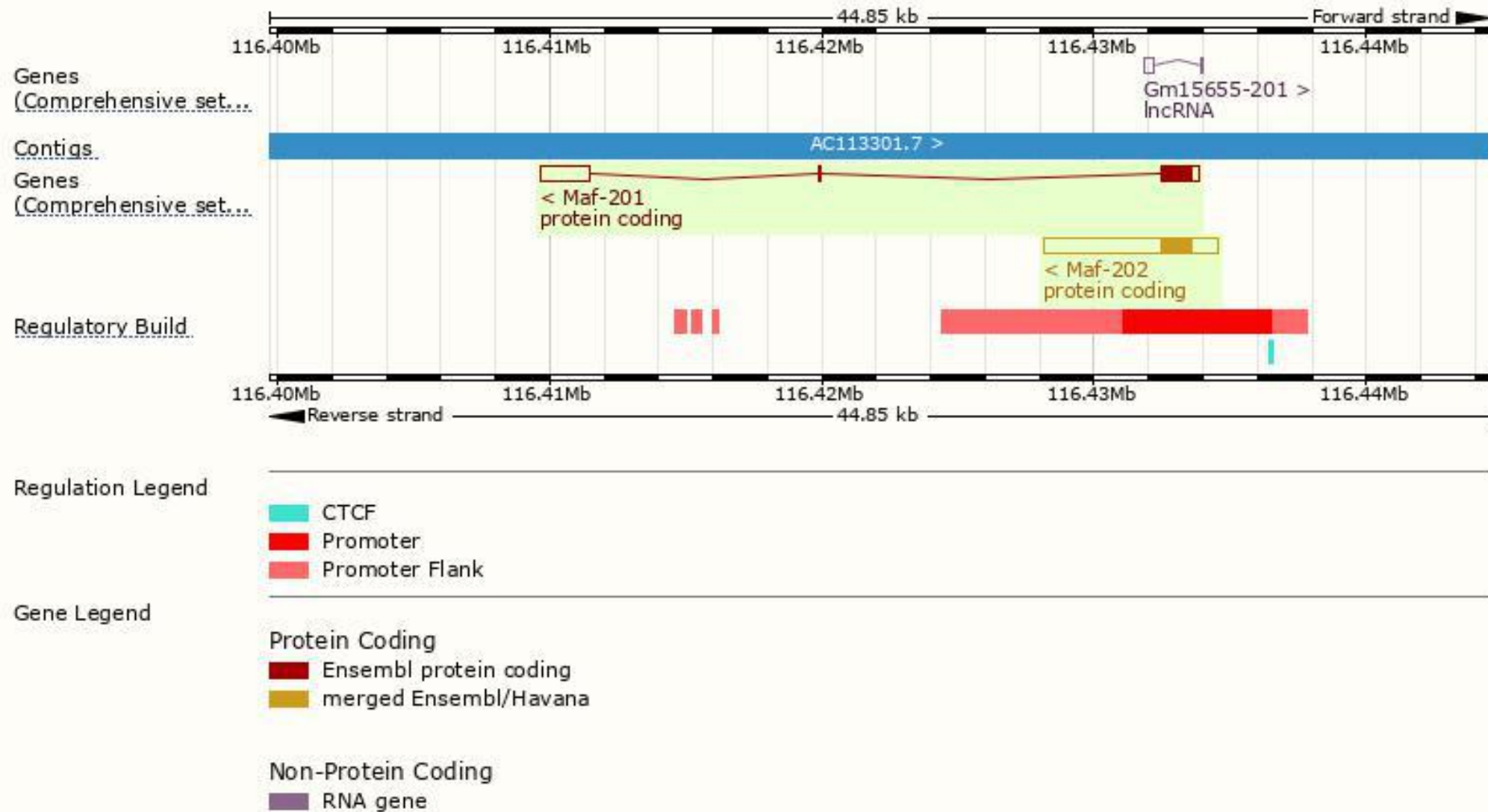
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Maf-201	<a href="#">ENSMUST00000069009.7</a>	3223	<a href="#">380aa</a>	Protein coding	-		TSL:1 , GENCODE basic , APPRIS ALT2 ,

The strategy is based on the design of *Maf-202* transcript,the transcription is shown below:





# Genomic location distribution

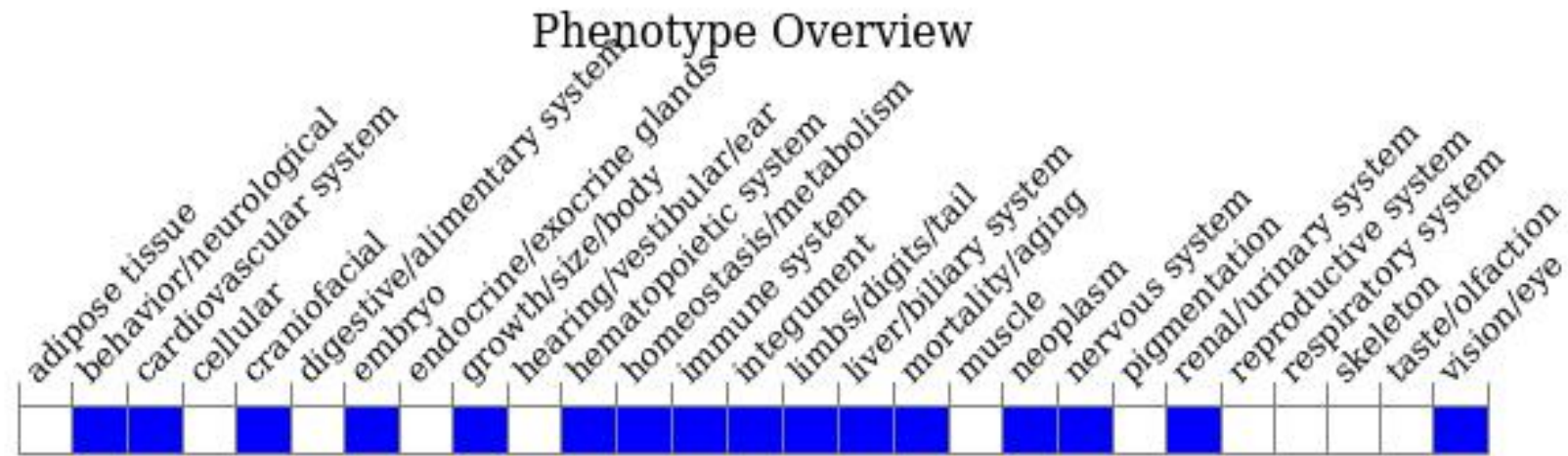




# Protein domain



# 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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