

# Maf Cas9-KO Strategy

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# **Project Overview**

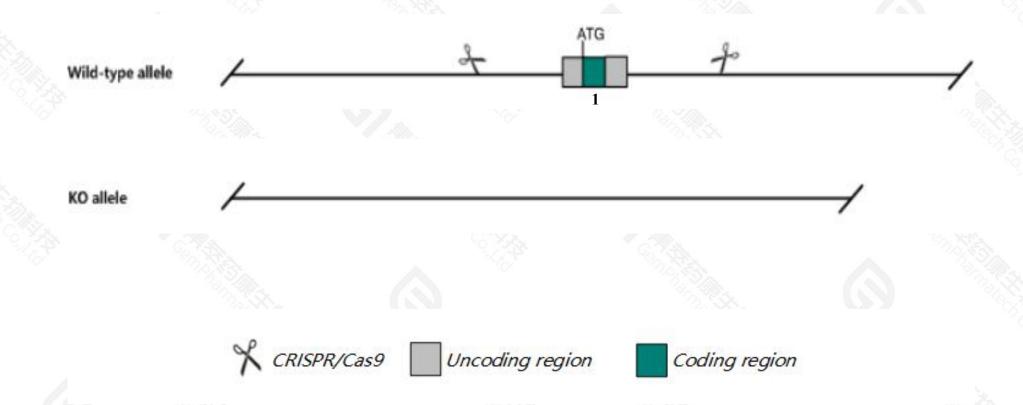


Project Name	Maf
Project type	Cas9-KO
Strain background	C57BL/6JGpt

## **Knockout strategy**



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



## **Technical routes**



- > 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 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.

## **Notice**



- ➤ 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.
- $\triangleright$  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 the gene knockout on gene transcription, RNA splicing and protein translation cannot be predicted at the existing technology level.

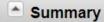
## Gene information (NCBI)



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



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



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 <u>Mus musculus</u>

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

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Also known as c-maf; AW047063; 2810401A20Rik; A230108G15Rik

Orthologs human all

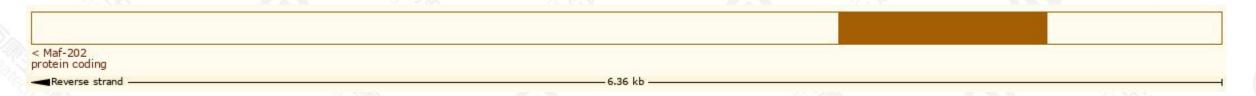
## Transcript information (Ensembl)



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

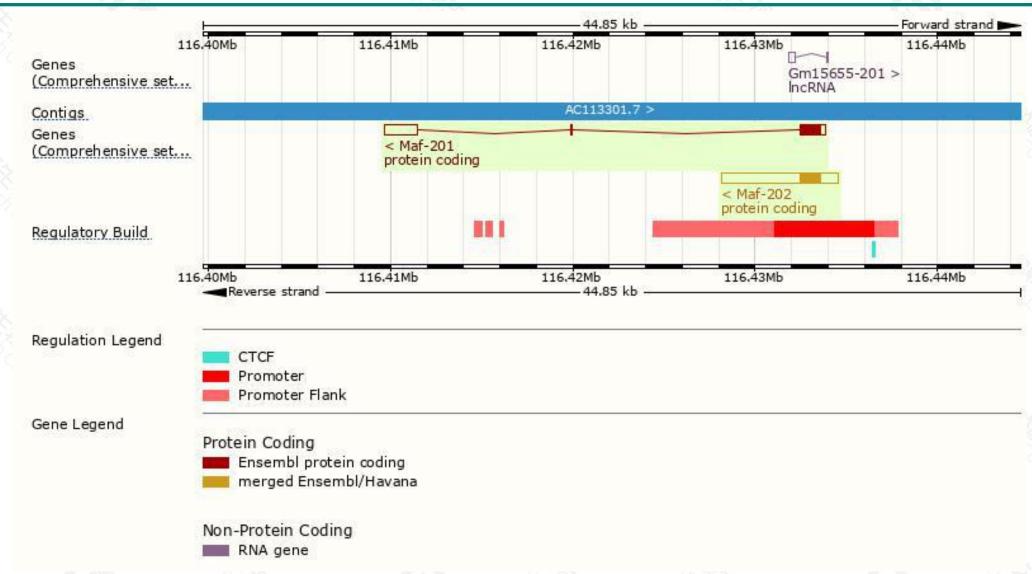
Name	Transcript ID	bp	Protein	Biotype	CCDS	UniProt	Flags
Maf-202	ENSMUST00000109104.2	6360	<u>370aa</u>	Protein coding	CCDS40486		TSL:NA , GENCODE basic , APPRIS P2 ,
Maf-201	ENSMUST00000069009.7	3223	380aa	Protein coding	-		TSL:1, GENCODE basic, APPRIS ALT2,

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



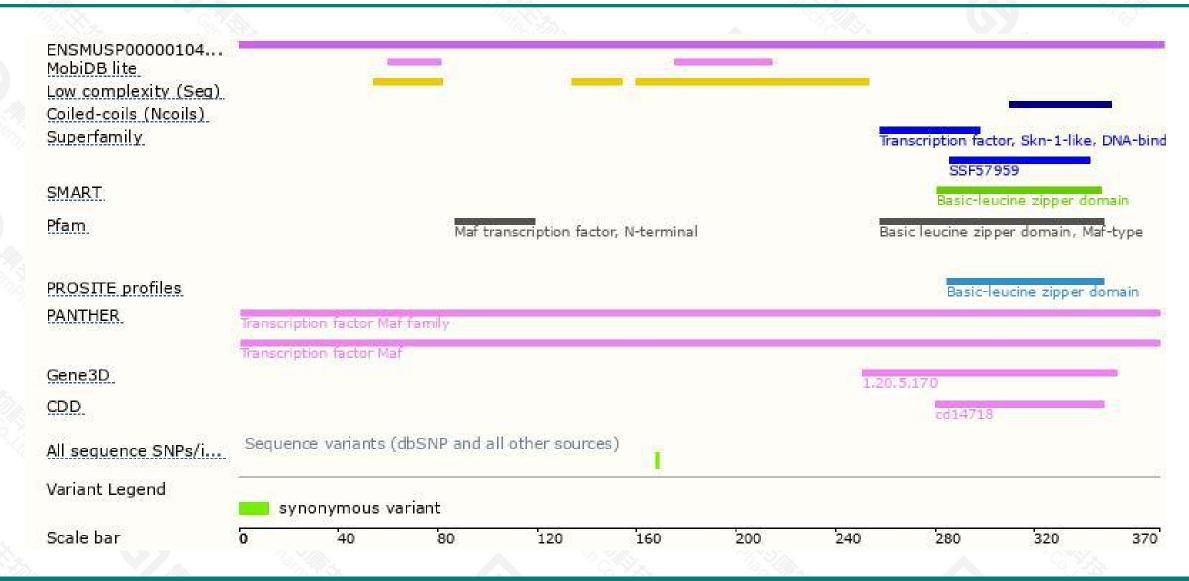
#### Genomic location distribution





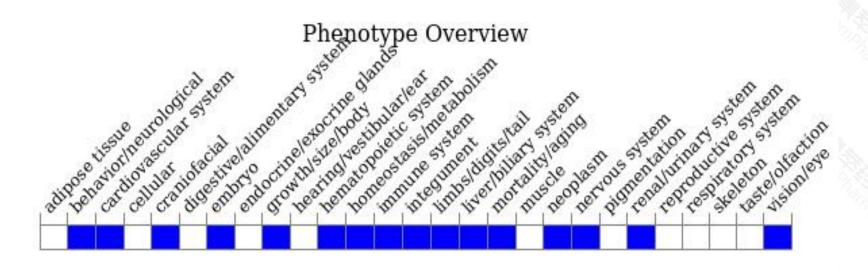
#### Protein domain





# 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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