

# *Aqp8* Cas9-CKO Strategy

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# Overview

## Target Gene Name

- Aqp8

## Project Type

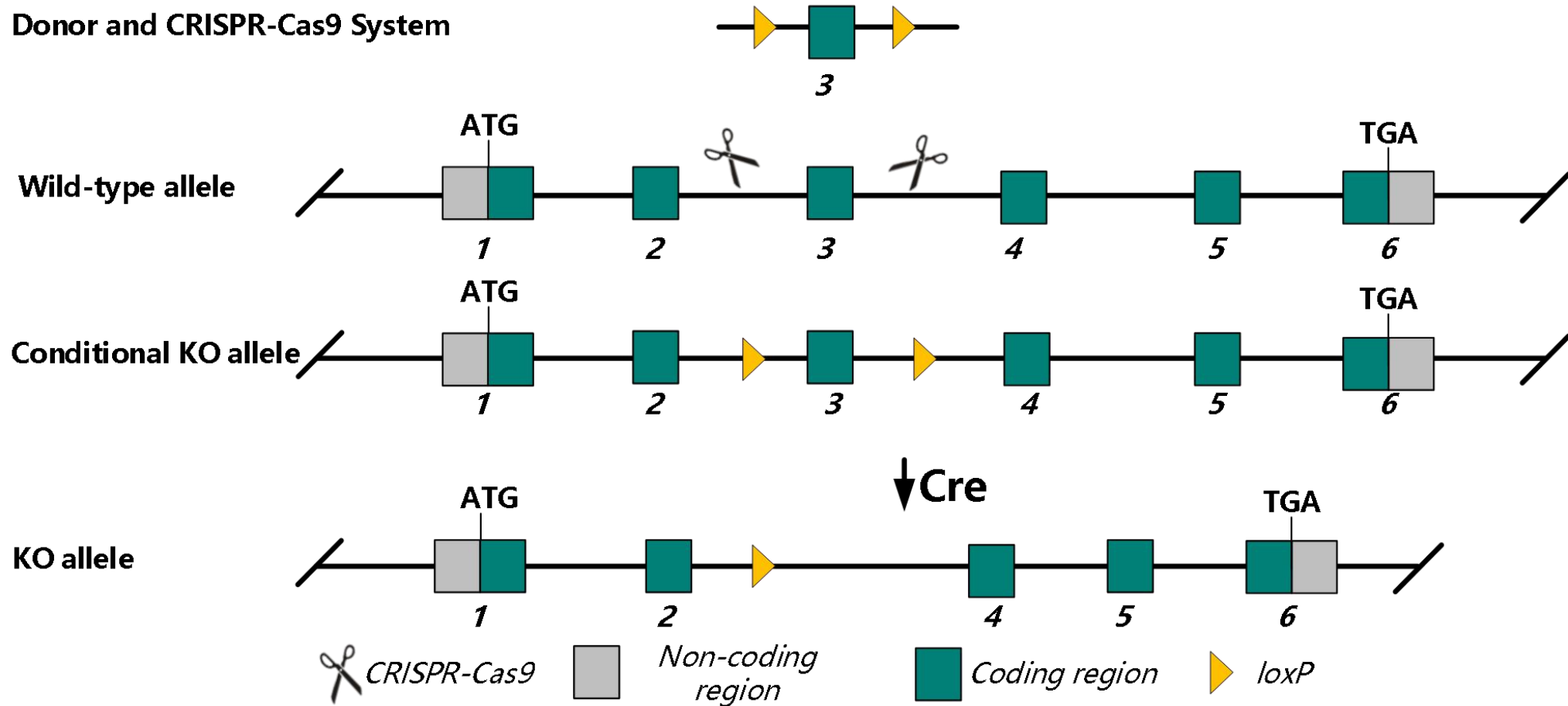
- Cas9-CKO

## Genetic Background

- C57BL/6JGpt

# Strain Strategy

## Donor and CRISPR-Cas9 System



Schematic representation of CRISPR-Cas9 engineering used to edit the *Aqp8* gene.

# Technical Information

- The *Aqp8* gene has 3 transcripts. According to the structure of *Aqp8* gene, exon 3 of *Aqp8*-202 (ENSMUST00000098056.6) transcript is recommended as the knockout region. The region contains 127 bp of coding sequences. Knocking out the region will result in disruption of protein function.
- In this project we use CRISPR-Cas9 technology to modify *Aqp8* 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 on-target amplicon sequencing. A stable F1-generation mouse strain was obtained by mating positive F0-generation mice with C57BL/6JGpt mice and confirmation of the desired mutant allele was carried out by PCR and on-target amplicon sequencing.
- 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.

# Gene Information

## Aqp8 aquaporin 8 [ *Mus musculus* (house mouse) ]

Gene ID: 11833, updated on 9-Mar-2023

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### Summary

**Official Symbol** Aqp8 provided by [MGI](#)  
**Official Full Name** aquaporin 8 provided by [MGI](#)  
**Primary source** [MGI:MGI:1195271](#)  
**See related** [Ensembl:ENSMUSG00000030782](#) [AllianceGenome:MGI:1195271](#)  
**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** AQP-8  
**Summary** Predicted to enable water channel activity. Acts upstream of or within water transport. Predicted to be located in intracellular canalliculus and intracellular membrane-bounded organelle. Is expressed in several structures, including alimentary system; diaphragm; early conceptus; genitourinary system; and spleen. Orthologous to human AQP8 (aquaporin 8). [provided by Alliance of Genome Resources, Apr 2022]  
**Expression** Biased expression in colon adult (RPKM 230.0), liver E18 (RPKM 138.5) and 3 other tissues [See more](#)  
**Orthologs** [human](#) [all](#)  
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### Genomic context

**Location:** 7 F3; 7 67.42 cM

**Exon count:** 6

See Aqp8 in [Genome Data Viewer](#)

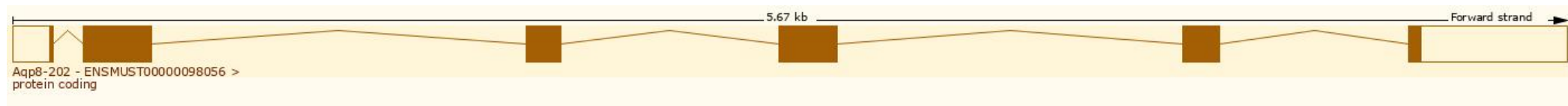
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# Transcript Information

The gene has 3 transcripts, all transcripts are shown below:

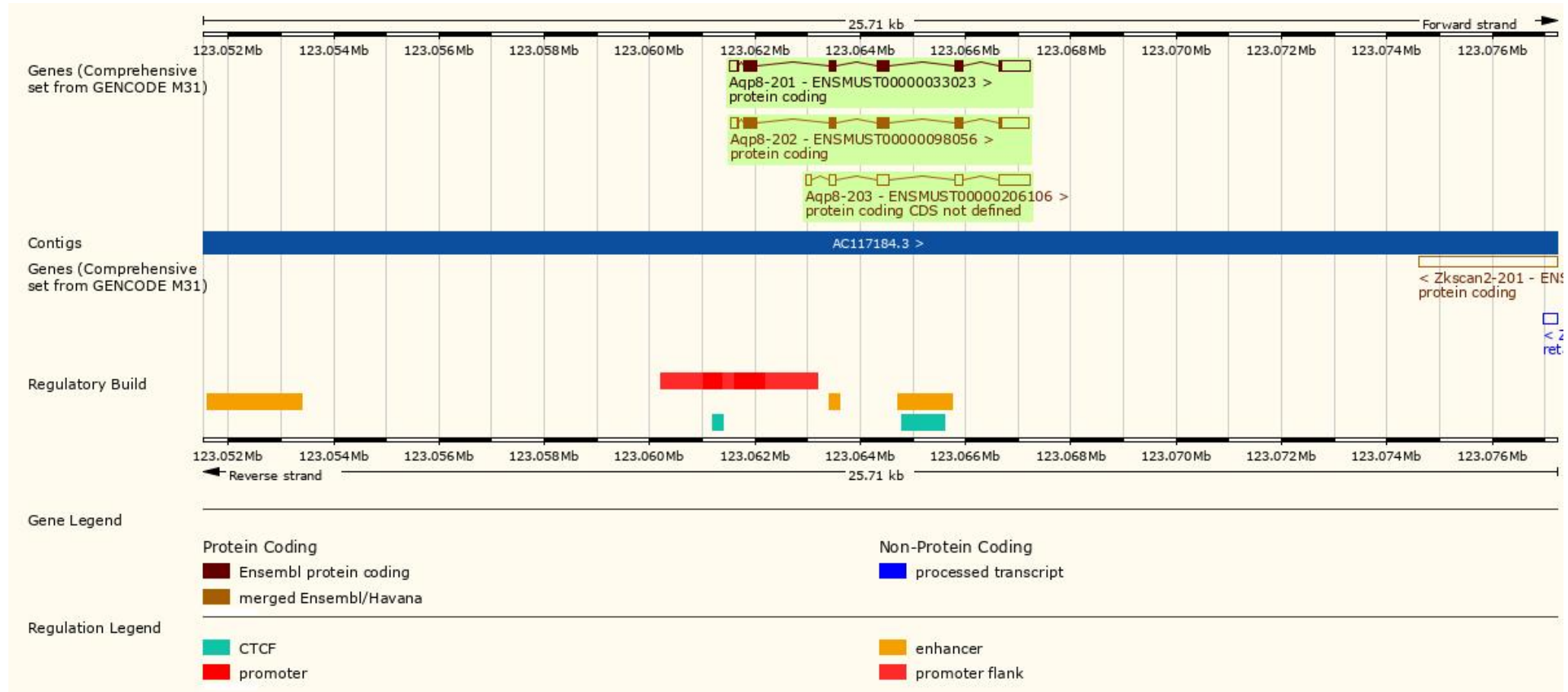
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<a href="#">ENSMUST00000098056.6</a>	Aqp8-202	1451	<a href="#">261aa</a>	Protein coding	<a href="#">CCDS72038</a>	<a href="#">P56404</a>	Ensembl Canonical Gencode basic APPRIS P4 TSL:1
<a href="#">ENSMUST00000033023.10</a>	Aqp8-201	1487	<a href="#">260aa</a>	Protein coding	<a href="#">CCDS85406</a>	<a href="#">A0A0X1KG59</a>	Gencode basic APPRIS ALT1 TSL:1

The strategy is based on the design of *Aqp8-202* transcript, the transcription is shown below:



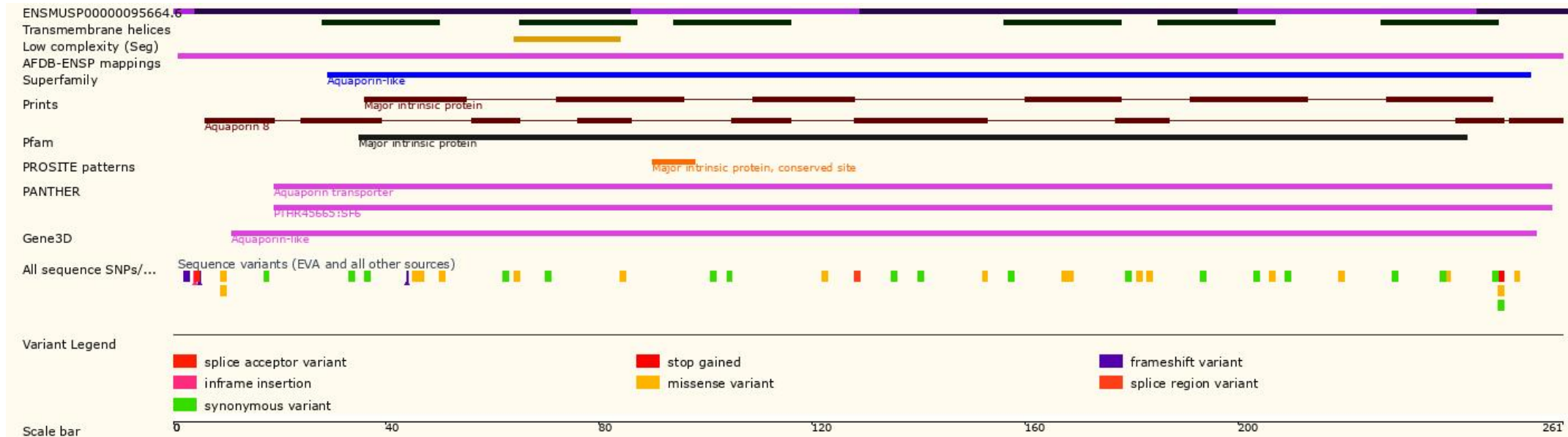
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# Genomic Information



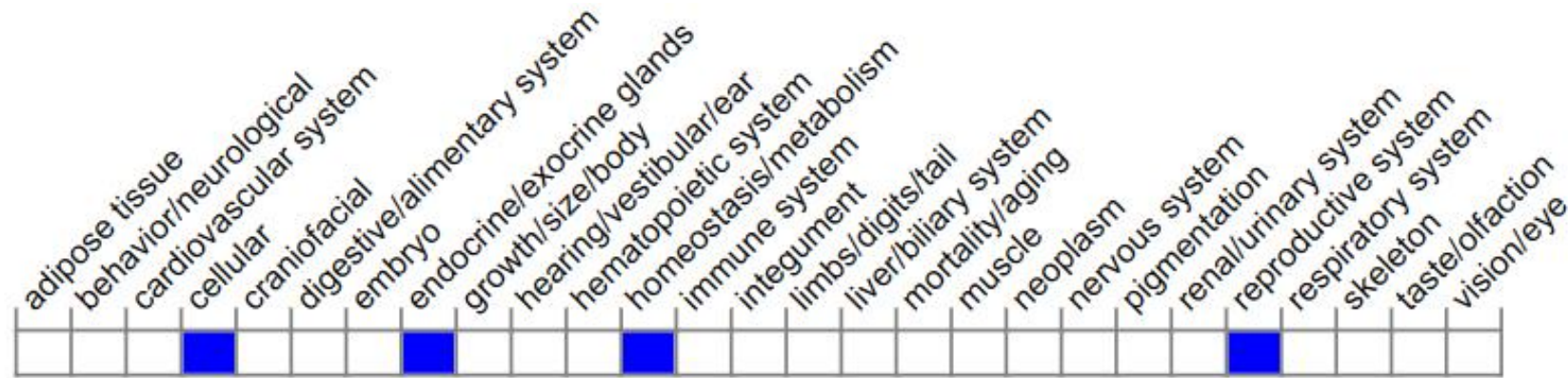


# Protein Information





# Mouse Phenotype Information (MGI)



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# Important Information

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- Intron 3-4 (793 bp) of *Aqp8* are small and loxp insertion may interfere with normal splicing.
- *Aqp8* is located on Chr 7. If the knockout mice are crossed with other mouse strains to obtain double homozygous mutant offspring, please avoid the situation that the second gene is 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 the existing technology level.