

Gfil Cas9-CKO Strategy

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Overview

Target Gene Name

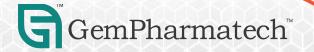
• Gfi1

Project Type

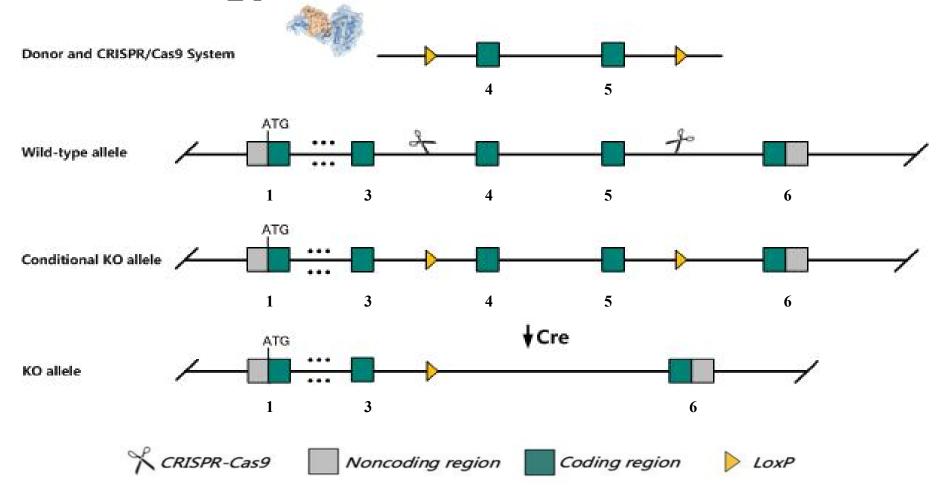
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Genetic Background

• C57BL/6JGpt



Strain Strategy



Schematic representation of CRISPR-Cas9 engineering used to edit the Gfi1 gene.



Technical Information

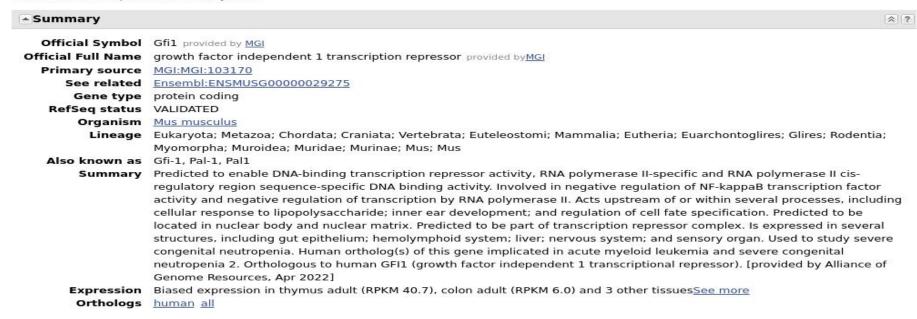
- The *Gfi1* gene has 4 transcripts. According to the structure of *Gfi1* gene, exon4-exon5 of *Gfi1*-201 (ENSMUST00000031205.16) transcript is recommended as the knockout region. The region contains 304bp coding sequence. Knocking out the region will result in disruption of protein function.
- In this project we use CRISPR-Cas9 technology to modify *Gfi1* 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

Gfi1 growth factor independent 1 transcription repressor [Mus musculus (house mouse)]

Gene ID: 14581, updated on 16-May-2023



Source: https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/



Transcript Information

The gene has 4 transcripts, all transcripts are shown below:



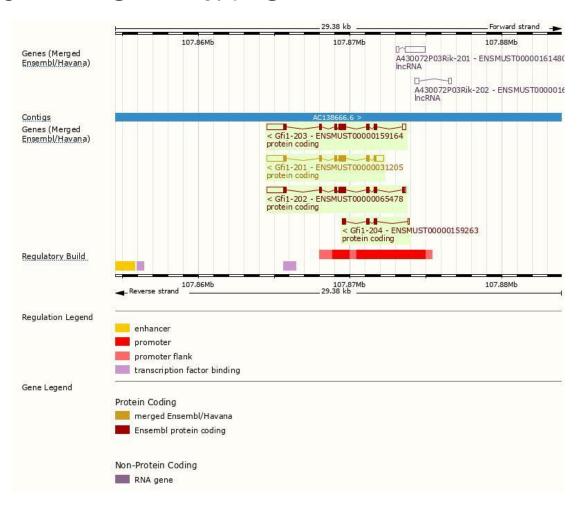
The strategy is based on the design of *Gfi1*-201 transcript, the transcription is shown below:



Source: https://www.ensembl.org



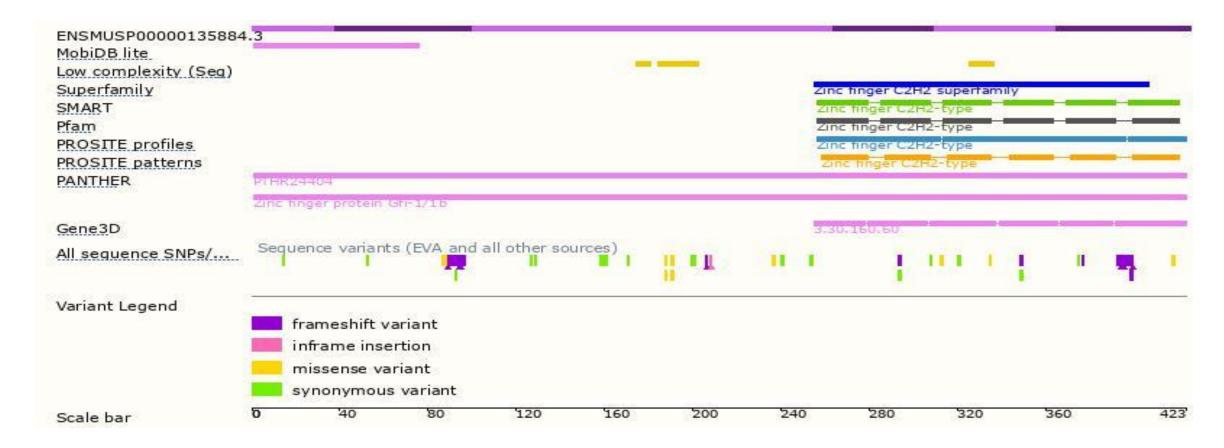
Genomic Information





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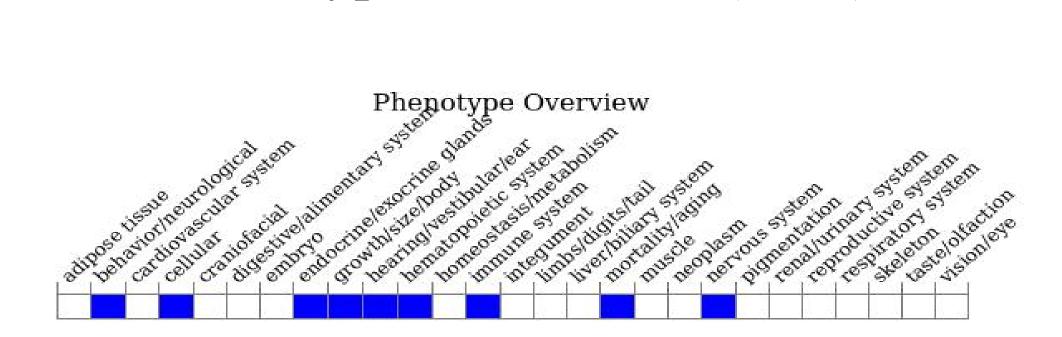
Protein Information





Source: : https://www.ensembl.org

Mouse Phenotype Information (MGI)



• Homozygotes for targeted null mutations exhibit loss of inner ear hair cells, ataxia, circling, and deafness. Mutants also show a block in granulocyte and neutrophil maturation, and are hypersensitive to endotoxin stimulation.



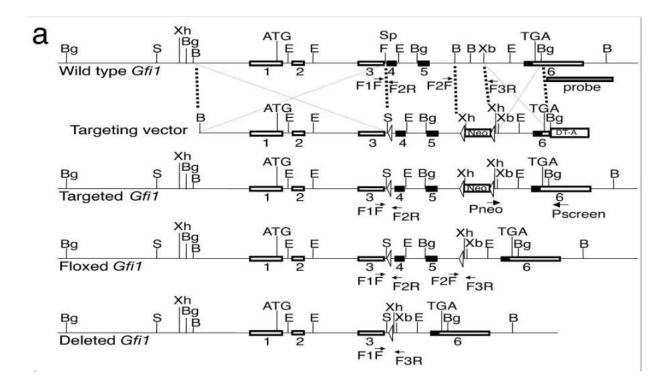
Source: https://www.informatics.jax.org

Important Information

- Intron 3-4 is only 118 bp, and the insertion of loxp may affect the normal splicing of the target gene.
- The knockout position of this strategy is approximately 3.9 kb from the 5-terminal of *A430072P03Rik* gene, which may affect the 5-terminal regulation of *A430072P03Rik* gene.
- Gfi1 is located on Chr5. 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.



References



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