

# Spink5 Cas9-CKO Strategy

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### Overview

### Target Gene Name

• Spink5

### Project Type

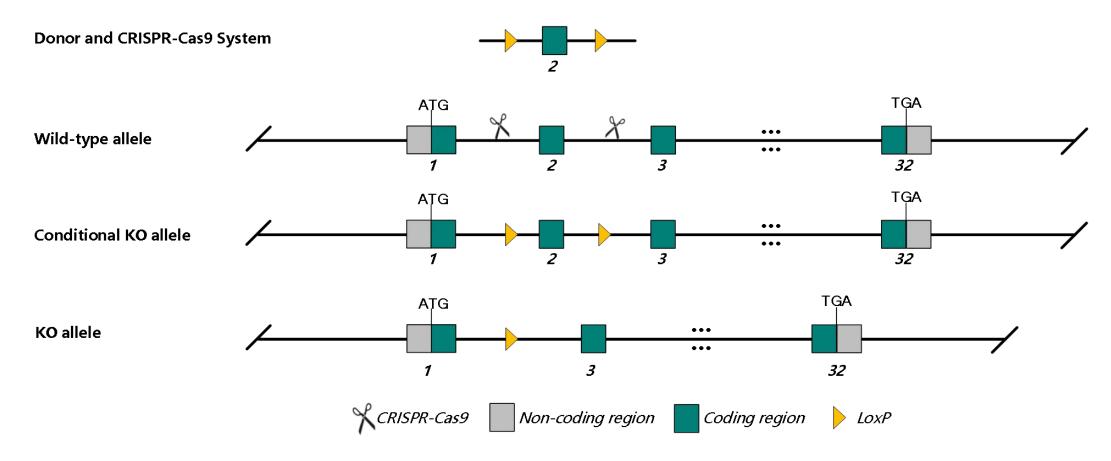
• Cas9-CKO

### Genetic Background

• C57BL/6JGpt



## Strain Strategy



Schematic representation of CRISPR-Cas9 engineering used to edit the Spink5 gene.



### **Technical Information**

- The *Spink5* gene has 1 transcript. According to the structure of *Spink5* gene, exon 2 of *Spink5*-201 (ENSMUST00000069245.8) is recommended as the knockout region. The region contains 26 bp of coding sequence. Knocking out the region will result in disruption of gene function.
- In this project we use CRISPR-Cas9 technology to modify *Spink5* 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.

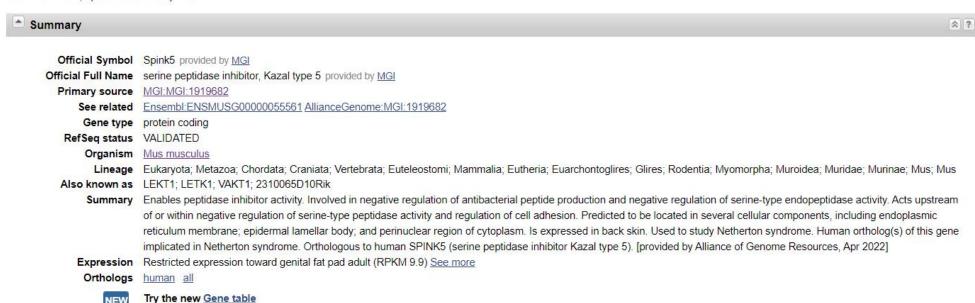


### Gene Information

#### Spink5 serine peptidase inhibitor, Kazal type 5 [ Mus musculus (house mouse) ]

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Gene ID: 72432, updated on 16-May-2023



Genomic context

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Location: 18 B3; 18 23.74 cM

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Exon count: 34

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/gene/72432

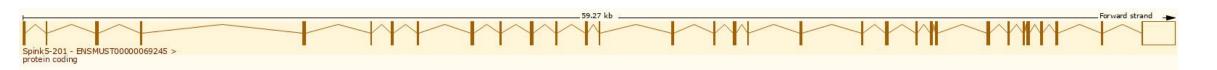


## Transcript Information

The gene only has 1 transcript, which is shown below:

Transcript ID	Name 🍦	bp 🌲	Protein ▼	Biotype	CCDS 🍦	UniProt Match	Flags			
ENSMUST00000069245.8	Spink5-201	4785	<u>1017aa</u>	Protein coding	CCDS37805 ₽	Q148R4₽	Ensembl Canonical	GENCODE basic	APPRIS P1	TSL:1

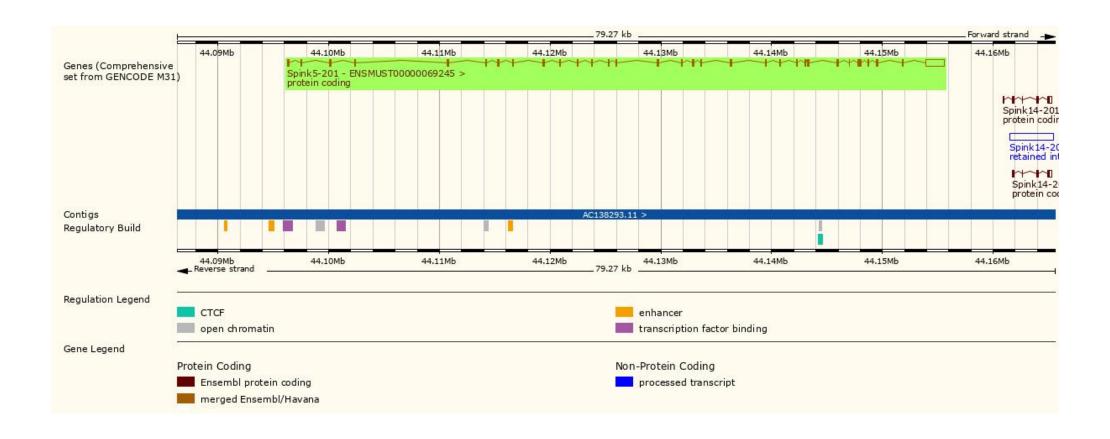
The strategy is based on the design of *Spink5*-201 transcript, the transcription is shown below:





Source: http://asia.ensembl.org/

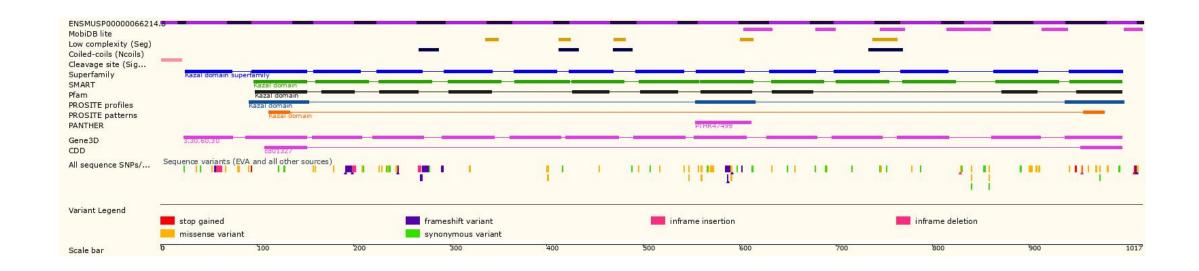
### Genomic Information





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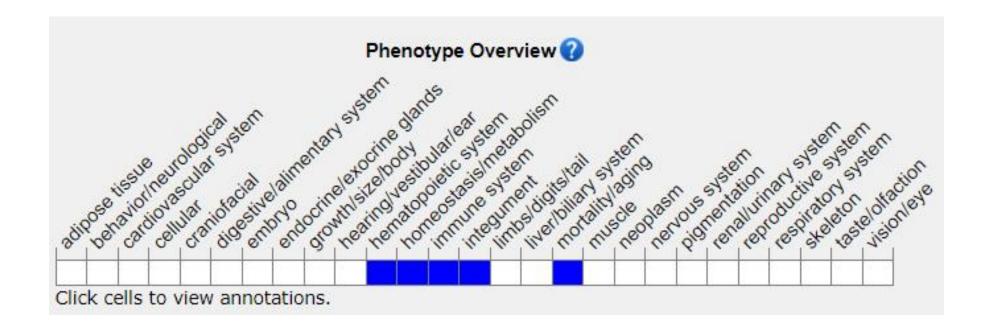
### Protein Information





Source: https://www.ensembl.org

## Mouse Phenotype Information (MGI)



Homozygous mutant mice display neonatal lethality, exfoliative erythroderma, and severe dehydration.



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

## Important Information

- According to the existing MGI data, homozygous mutant mice display neonatal lethality, exfoliative erythroderma, and severe dehydration.
- *Spink5* is located on Chr 18. 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.



### Reference

### Mice and SPINK5 conditional KO generation

Homologous recombination and mouse embryonic stem cell (ES) technology<sup>E16,E17</sup> were used to generate a genetically modified mouse strain with a *SPINK5* conditional KO. A gene targeting the vector was constructed with an 1832 bp arm of 5' homology corresponding to GRCm38/mm10 chr18: 43,962,233-43,964,064 and a 2300 bp arm of 3' homology corresponding to chr18: 43,964,753-43,967,052. The 688 bp region flanked by loxP sites (exon 2) corresponds to chr18: 43,964,065-43,964,752.

[1] Jackman JK, Stockwell A, Choy DF, Xie MM, Lu P, Jia G, Li H, Abbas AR, Bronson PG, Lin WY, Chiu CPC, Maun HR, Roose-Girma M, Tam L, Zhang J, Modrusan Z, Graham RR, Behrens TW, White SR, Naureckas T, Ober C, Ferreira M, Sedlacek R, Wu J, Lee WP, Lazarus RA, Koerber JT, Arron JR, Yaspan BL, Yi T. Genome-wide association study identifies kallikrein 5 in type 2 inflammation-low asthma. J Allergy Clin Immunol. 2022 Oct;150(4):972-978.e7. doi: 10.1016/j.jaci.2022.03.033. Epub 2022 Apr 26. PMID: 35487308.

