

# Ddhd2 Cas9-CKO Strategy

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### Overview

### Target Gene Name

• Ddhd2

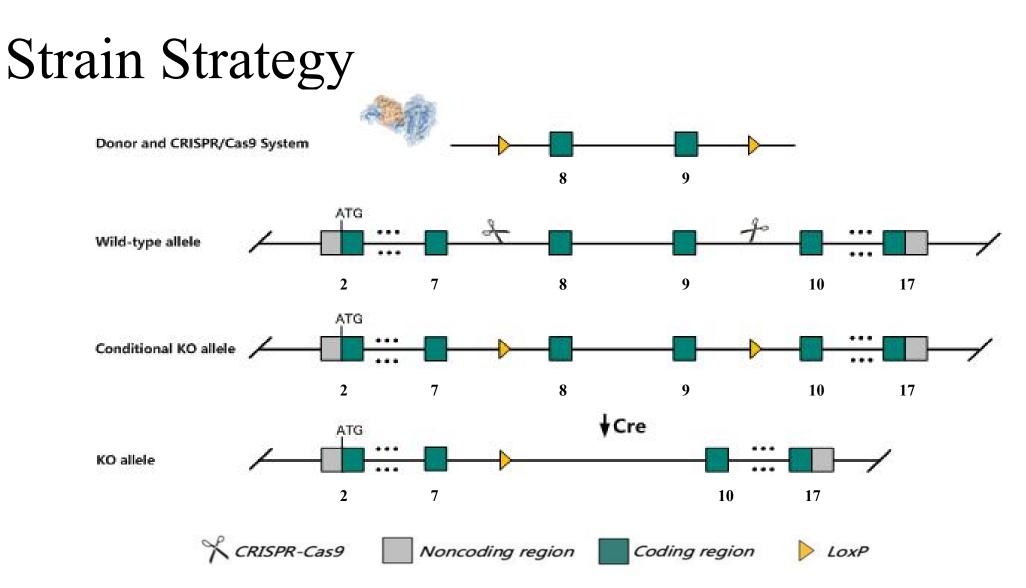
Project Type

• Cas9-CKO

Genetic Background

• C57BL/6JGpt





Schematic representation of CRISPR-Cas9 engineering used to edit the Ddhd2 gene.

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### **Technical Information**

- The *Ddhd2* gene has 7 transcripts. According to the structure of *Ddhd2* gene, exon8-exon9 of *Ddhd2*-201 (ENSMUST00000033975.9) transcript is recommended as the knockout region. The region contains 277bp coding sequence. Knocking out the region will result in disruption of protein function.
- In this project we use CRISPR-Cas9 technology to modify *Ddhd2* 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.

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### Gene Information

#### Ddhd2 DDHD domain containing 2 [Mus musculus (house mouse)]

Gene ID: 72108, updated on 13-Mar-2020

#### Summary

Official SymbolDdhd2 provided by MGIOfficial Full NameDDHD domain containing 2 provided by MGIPrimary soureMGI:MGI:1919358See relatedEnsembl:ENSMUSG00000613133Gene typeprotein codingprotein codingVALIDATEDOrganismMus musculusLineageEukaryota; Metazoa; Chordata; Craniata; Vertebrata; Euteleostomi; Mammalia; Eutheria; Euarchontoglires; Glires; Rodentia; Myomorpha;<br/>Muroidea; Murinae; Mus; MusAlso knownas2010305K11Rik, SAMWD1, mKIAA0725ExpressionUbiquitous expression in cerebellum adult (RPKM 6.9), subcutaneous fat pad adult (RPKM 6.9) and 28 other tissuesSee more<br/>human all

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



### **Transcript Information**

The gene has 7 transcripts, all transcripts are shown below:

Name	Transcript ID	bp	Protein	Biotype	CCDS	UniProt	Flags
Ddhd2-201	ENSMUST00000033975.7	4245	<u>699aa</u>	Protein coding	CCDS52529	<u>Q80Y98</u>	TSL1 GENCODE basic APPRIS is a system to annotate alternatively spliced transcripts based on a range of computational methods to identify the most functionally important transcript(s) of a gene. APPRIS P1
Ddhd2-206	ENSMUST00000211688.1	2265	<u>730aa</u>	Protein coding		A0A1B0GSA5	TSL1 GENCODE basic
Ddhd2-203	ENSMUST00000210777.1	734	<u>84aa</u>	Protein coding	2	A0A1B0GT91	CDS 5' incomplete TSL5
Ddhd2-207	ENSMUST00000211751.1	450	<u>83aa</u>	Protein coding		A0A1B0GRX3	CDS 5' incomplete TSL2
Ddhd2-204	ENSMUST00000210888.1	339	<u>113aa</u>	Protein coding	•	A0A1B0GSV3	5' and 3' truncations in transcript evidence prevent annotation of the start and the end of the CDS. CDS 5' and 3' incomplete TSL3
Ddhd2-205	ENSMUST00000211009.1	2508	<u>358aa</u>	Nonsense mediated decay		A0A1B0GS27	TSL:1
Ddhd2-202	ENSMUST00000209419.1	1835	No protein	Retained intron	2		TSLNA

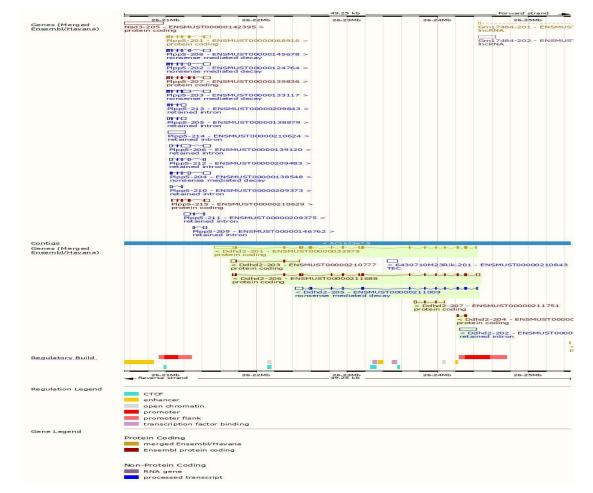
The strategy is based on the design of *Ddhd2*-201 transcript, the transcription is shown below:

Ddhd2-201 ENSMUST0000033975 otein coding 28.94 kb everse strand

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



### Genomic Information

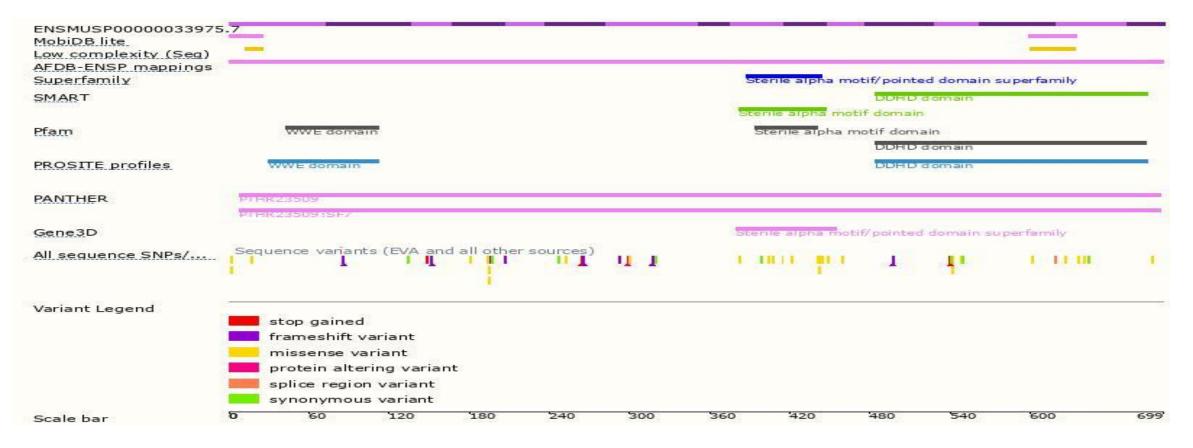


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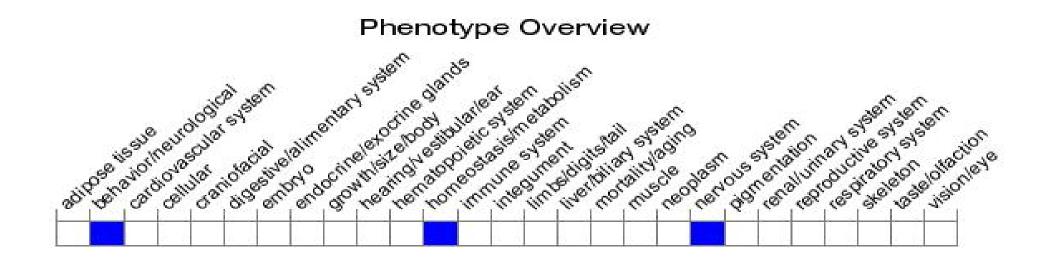
### Protein Information

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

## Mouse Phenotype Information (MGI)



• Mice homozygous for a null mutation display impaired balance and coordination, impaired spatial learning and memory and triglyceride accumulation in neurons in the brain and spinal cord.

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

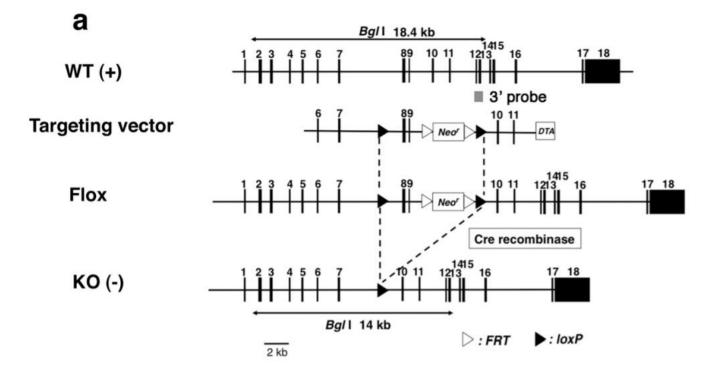
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### **Important Information**

- According to MGI information, mice homozygous for a null mutation display impaired balance and coordination, impaired spatial learning and memory and triglyceride accumulation in neurons in the brain and spinal cord.
- The N-terminal of *Ddhd2* gene will remain several amino acids, it may remain the partial function of *Ddhd2* gene.
- Transcript *Ddhd2*-203, *Ddhd2*-204, *Ddhd2*-207 may not be affected.
- *Ddhd2* is located on Chr8. 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



#### Results

Loss of motor neurons in the spinal cords of *DDHD2* KO mice

To reveal the physiological function of DDHD2, we generated *DDHD2* KO mice. Using a targeting vector that contains exons 8 and 9 flanked by two *loxP* sites (Supplementary Figure 1a), we obtained targeted cell lines, and then generated chimeric, flox, and heterozygous and homozygous KO mice, as described under Materials and methods. Southern and Western blotting (WB)

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