A Guide to CRISPR/Cas9

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A Versatile and Fully-Customizable Genome Editing Tool

CRISPR/Cas9 allows for highly specific genomic modification and the silencing of genes of interest. This versatile system requires co-expression of two distinct components: (1) a nuclease, Cas9, and (2) a target-specific single guide RNA (sgRNA). *Streptococcus pyogenes* Cas9 interrogates the genome for sequences complementary to the 20 nucleotide target region of the sgRNA and adjacent to the protosspacer-adjacent motif (PAM) “5’-NGG”. The Cas9 nuclease introduces a double strand break, which is then repaired by a highly error-prone process called Non-Homologous End Joining (NHEJ). This can result in a frameshift insertion or deletion (InDel), thus effectively silencing the gene.

**Gene Knock-In with CRISPR/Cas9**

In addition to NHEJ, cells can utilize Homology Directed Repair (HDR), which can be exploited to introduce specific modifications to genomic DNA. If a repair template is provided containing the desired new sequence, flanked by homologous sequences immediately upstream and downstream of the double strand break, the new sequence will be permanently introduced into the genomic DNA via homology directed repair.

**CRISPR Services**

**CRISPR Custom Knockout Service**

Cat. No. C208

With this highly customized service, we can knockout any gene in any cell line. All you have to do is send us your desired target cells and the species, gene name, and accession number of the gene to be knocked out. The successfully genome-edited cells will be shipped back to you after strict quality control and verification of gene knockout. **Now available:** 100% Guaranteed CRISPR Knockout Service (C508).

**E. coli** Knockout/Knock-In Services

Cat. No. C424 & C425

CRISPR-assisted gene knockout and knock-in services are available for *E. coli*. Simply select an *E. coli* strain and the sequence to be knocked in or out, and receive your edited bacteria in as little as 8 weeks.
Custom Genomic Locus Targeting by dCas9

Double-Mutant Cas9

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Cas9 Variants for any Application
Cas9 Nickase for Enhanced Specificity and Accuracy

By inactivating one of its catalytic domains, the Cas9 nuclease is turned into a “nickase” – nCas9. This modified enzyme introduces a single strand nick instead of a double strand break. In order to engage the NHEJ or HDR pathways, two nCas9/sgRNA complexes are needed, which cleave the DNA in close proximity (<20 nucleotides). This approach greatly reduces off-target effects caused by non-specific sgRNA binding by requiring two specific binding events.

saCas9 Nuclease for in vivo applications

A miniature Cas9 isolated from S. aureus, saCas9 is ~1 kb smaller than spCas9, allowing it to be efficiently packaged into Adeno-Associated Virus (AAV). AAV is a preferred method of gene delivery for in vivo studies due to its low immunogenicity and ability to selectively infect certain tissue types. saCas9’s PAM sequence is “S’-NNGRRT”, so it can be used to target different regions of the genome than spCas9.

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CRISPR Verification

CRISPR Genomic Cleavage Detection Kit
Cat. No. G932

Designed as an easy, effective way to verify your genomic editing process, abm’s ready-to-use CRISPR Genomic Cleavage Detection Kit conveniently contains all the necessary reagents required, including a set of control template and primers to ensure reliable results. With a rapid 4 hour processing time, this qualitative assay will be a great addition to any genome-editing toolbox.
Genome-wide sgRNA Libraries at Your Fingertips!

**abm** offers genome-wide CRISPR sgRNA libraries for targeting any human, mouse, or rat gene with the use of non-viral plasmids, lentivirus, AAV, or adenovirus.

Our sgRNA vectors and viruses are provided as individual constructs or in a set of 3, both separate from Cas9 and as an All-In-One System. They can be used individually or pooled together to achieve optimal gene knockout.

As well, choose from saCas9 or spCas9 sgRNA or All-In-One constructs. **abm**’s comprehensive sgRNA Library allows for unparalleled flexibility in experimental setup. And the best part? All sgRNAs are designed by our CRISPR experts!

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**CRISPR Multiplex sgRNAs**

Cat. No. C420 to C423

**abm**’s CRISPR multiplex sgRNA system allows for optimal expression of multiple sgRNAs from alternating the U6 and H1 RNA pol III promoters on a single lentiviral vector. Ideal for use with Cas9 nickase, which requires 2 sgRNAs for double-stranded cleavage.

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**Methods and Tools**

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**Transcription Activation by dCas9-SAM**

Synergistic activation mediators (SAM) linked to dCas9 are extremely effective at inducing expression of a gene of interest. We offer dCas9 fused to a tripartite SAM (VP64, p65 and RTA), a highly effective and easy-to-use design. Only two components are needed: the dCas9-SAM and the sgRNA. Easy!

**Transcription Repression by dCas9-KRAB**

dCas9 can be fused to a Krüppel-associated box (KRAB) domain for targeted gene repression at the transcriptional level. Simply deliver the dCas9-KRAB and an sgRNA targeting the gene of interest’s promoter/enhancer region for easy, efficient gene repression.

**Target Sequence**

- **PAM**
- **dCas9 guide RNA**

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