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CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

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FIELD OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present disclosure relates to the fields of molecular biology, medicine and genetics.
More particularly, the disclosure relates to compositions and uses thereof for genome editing
to correct mutations *in vivo* using an exon-skipping approach.

BACKGROUND

20 Muscular dystrophies (MD) are a group of more than 30 genetic diseases characterized
by progressive weakness and degeneration of the skeletal muscles that control movement.
Duchenne muscular dystrophy (DMD) is one of the most severe forms of MD that affects
approximately 1 in 5000 boys and is characterized by progressive muscle weakness and
25 premature death. Cardiomyopathy and heart failure are common, incurable and lethal features
of DMD. The disease is caused by mutations in the gene encoding dystrophin (*DMD*), a large
intracellular protein that links the dystroglycan complex at the cell surface with the underlying
cytoskeleton, thereby maintaining integrity of the muscle cell membrane during contraction.
Mutations in the dystrophin gene result in loss of expression of dystrophin, causing muscle
30 membrane fragility and progressive muscle wasting.

SUMMARY

Genomic editing with CRISPR/Cas9 is a promising new approach for correcting or mitigating disease-causing mutations. Duchenne muscular dystrophy (DMD) is associated with lethal degeneration of cardiac and skeletal muscle caused by more than 3000 different mutations in the X-linked dystrophin gene (DMD). Most of these mutations are clustered in “hotspots.” As described in the Examples herein, a screen was performed for optimal guide RNAs capable of introducing insertion/deletion (indel) mutations by nonhomologous end joining that abolish conserved RNA splice sites in 12 exons that potentially allow skipping of the most common mutant or out-of-frame DMD exons within or nearby mutational hotspots. The correction of DMD mutations by exon skipping is referred to herein as “myoediting.” In proof-of-concept studies, myoediting was performed in representative induced pluripotent stem cells from multiple patients with large deletions, point mutations, or duplications within the DMD gene and efficiently restored dystrophin protein expression in derivative cardiomyocytes. In three-dimensional engineered heart muscle (EHM), myoediting of DMD mutations restored dystrophin expression and the corresponding mechanical force of contraction. Correcting only a subset of cardiomyocytes (30 to 50%) was sufficient to rescue the mutant EHM phenotype to near-normal control levels. Thus, it is shown that abolishing conserved RNA splicing acceptor/donor sites and directing the splicing machinery to skip mutant or out-of-frame exons through myoediting allows correction of the cardiac abnormalities associated with DMD by eliminating the underlying genetic basis of the disease.

Thus, in some embodiments, the disclosure provides a method for editing a mutant dystrophin gene in a cardiomyocyte, the method comprising contacting the cardiomyocyte with a Cas9 nuclease or a sequence encoding a Cas9 nuclease, and a gRNA or a sequence encoding a gRNA, wherein the gRNA targets a splice donor or splice acceptor site of the dystrophin gene.

The disclosure also provides a method for treating or preventing Duchene Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) in a subject in need thereof, the method comprising administering to the subject a Cas9 nuclease or a sequence encoding a Cas9 nuclease, and a gRNA or a sequence encoding a gRNA, wherein the gRNA targets a splice donor or splice acceptor site of the dystrophin gene; wherein the administering restores dystrophin expression in at least 10% of the subject’s cardiomyocytes.

The disclosure also provides a method for treating or preventing Duchene Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) in a subject in need thereof, the method comprising contacting an induced

pluripotent stem cell (iPSC) with a Cas9 nuclease or a sequence encoding a Cas9 nuclease, and a gRNA, or a sequence encoding a gRNA, wherein the gRNA targets a splice donor or splice acceptor site of the dystrophin gene; differentiating the iPSC into a cardiomyocyte; and administering the cardiomyocyte to a the subject.

5 Also provided is a cell (such as an induced pluripotent stem cell (iPSC) or cardiomyocyte) produced according to the methods of the disclosure, and compositions thereof. In some embodiments, the cell expresses a dystrophin protein.

Also provided is an induced pluripotent stem cell (iPSC) comprising a Cas9 nuclease, or a sequence encoding a Cas9 nuclease, and a gRNA, or a sequence encoding a gRNA,
10 wherein the gRNA targets a splice donor or splice acceptor site of the dystrophin gene.

As used in the specification, “a” or “an” may mean one or more. As used in the claim(s), when used in conjunction with the word “comprising”, the words “a” or “an” may mean one or more than one.

The use of the term “or” in the claims is used to mean “and/or” unless explicitly
15 indicated to refer to alternatives only or the alternatives are mutually exclusive, although the disclosure supports a definition that refers to only alternatives and “and/or.” As used herein “another” may mean at least a second or more.

Throughout this application, the term “about” is used to indicate that a value includes
20 the inherent variation of error for the device, for the method being employed to determine the value, or that exists among the study subjects. Such an inherent variation may be a variation of $\pm 10\%$ of the stated value.

Throughout this application, nucleotide sequences are listed in the 5' to 3' direction, and amino acid sequences are listed in the N-terminal to C-terminal direction, unless indicated otherwise.

25 Other objects, features and advantages of the present invention will become apparent from the following detailed description. It should be understood, however, that the detailed description and the specific examples, while indicating preferred embodiments of the invention, are given by way of illustration only, since various changes and modifications within the spirit and scope of the invention will become apparent to those skilled in the art from this
30 detailed description.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The following drawings form part of the present specification and are included to further demonstrate certain aspects of the present disclosure. The disclosure may be better understood by reference to one or more of these drawings in combination with the detailed description of specific embodiments presented herein.

FIG. 1A-1C. Myoediting strategy and identification of optimal guide RNAs to target the top 12 exons in DMD. (FIG. 1A) Conserved splice sites contain multiple NAG and NGG sequences, which enable cleavage by SpCas9. The numbers indicate the frequency of occurrence (%). (FIG. 1B) Human DMD exon structure. Shapes of intron-exon junctions indicate complementarity that maintains the open reading frame upon splicing. Red arrowheads indicate the top 12 targeted exons. The numbers indicate the order of the exons. (FIG. 1C) T7E1 assays in human 293 cells transfected with plasmids expressing the corresponding guide RNA (gRNA), SpCas9, and GFP for the top 12 exons. The PCR products from GFP+ and GFP- cells were cut with T7 endonuclease I (T7E1), which is specific to heteroduplex DNA caused by CRISPR/Cas9-mediated genome editing. Red arrowhead indicates cleavage bands of T7E1. M denotes size marker lane. bp indicates the base pair length of the marker bands.

FIG. 2A-2J. Rescue of dystrophin mRNA expression in iPSC-derived cardiomyocytes with diverse mutations by myoediting. (FIG. 2A) Schematic of the myoediting of DMD iPSCs and 3D-EHMs-based functional assay. (FIG. 2B) Myoediting targets the exon 51 splice acceptor site in Del DMD iPSCs. A deletion (exons 48 to 50) in a DMD patient creates a frameshift mutation in exon 51. The red box indicates out-of-frame exon 51 with a stop codon. Destruction of the exon 51 splice acceptor in DMD iPSCs allows splicing from exons 47 to 52 and restoration of the dystrophin open reading frame. (FIG. 2C) Using the guide RNA library, three guide RNAs (Ex51-g1, Ex51-g2, and Ex51-g3) that target sequences 5' of exon 51 were selected. FIG. 2C discloses SEQ ID NO: 2481. (FIG. 2D) RT-PCR of cardiomyocytes differentiated from uncorrected DMD (Del), corrected DMD iPSCs (Del-Cor.), and WT. Skipping of exon 51 allows splicing from exons 47 to 52 (lower band) and restoration of the DMD open reading frame. (FIG. 2E) Myoediting strategy for pseudo-exon 47A (pEx). DMD exons are represented as blue boxes. Pseudo-exon 47A (red) with stop codon is marked by a stop sign. The black box indicates myoediting-mediated indel. (FIG. 2F) Sequence of guide RNAs for pseudo-exon 47A of pEx. DMD exons are represented as blue boxes, and pseudo-exons are represented as red boxes (47A). sgRNA, single-guide RNA. FIG. 2F discloses SEQ ID NOS 2482-2484, respectively, in order of appearance. (FIG. 2G) RT-PCR

of human cardiomyocytes differentiated from WT, uncorrected DMD (pEx), and corrected DMD iPSCs (pEx-Cor.) by guide RNAs In47A-g1 and In47A-g2. Skipping of pseudo-exon 47A allows splicing from exons 47 to 48 (lower band) and restoration of the DMD open reading frame. (FIG. 2H) Myoediting strategy for the duplication (Dup) of exons 55 to 59. DMD exons are represented as blue boxes. Duplicated exons are represented as red boxes. The black box indicates myoediting-mediated indel. (FIG. 2I) Sequence of guide RNAs for intron 54 of Dup (In54-g1, In54-g2, and In54-g3). FIG. 2I discloses SEQ ID NOS 2485-2487, respectively, in order of appearance. (FIG. 2J) RT-PCR of human cardiomyocytes differentiated from WT, uncorrected DMD (Dup), and corrected DMD iPSCs (Dup-Cor.). Skipping of duplicated exons 55 to 59 allows splicing from exons 54 to 55 and restoration of the DMD open reading frame. RT-PCR of RNA was performed with the indicated sets of primers (F and R) (Table 4).

FIG. 3A-3F. Immunocytochemistry and Western blot analysis show dystrophin protein expression rescued by myoediting. (FIG. 3A to 3C) Immunocytochemistry of dystrophin expression (green) shows DMD iPSC cardiomyocytes lacking dystrophin expression. Following successful myoediting, the corrected DMD iPSC cardiomyocytes express dystrophin. Immunofluorescence (red) detects cardiac marker troponin-I. Nuclei are labeled by Hoechst dye (blue). (FIG. 3D to 3F) Western blot analysis of WT (100 and 50%), uncorrected (Del, pEx, and Dup) and corrected DMD (Del-Cor#27, pEx-Cor#19, and Dup-Cor#6.) iCM. Red arrowhead (above 250 kD) indicates the immunoreactive bands of dystrophin. Blue arrowhead (above 150 kD) indicates the immunoreactive bands of MyHC loading controls. kD indicates protein molecular weight. Scale bar, 100 μ m.

FIG. 4A-4F. Rescued DMD cardiomyocyte-derived EHM showed enhanced FOC (force of contraction). (FIG. 4A) Experimental setup for EHM preparation, culture, and analysis of contractile function. (FIG. 4B to 4D) Contractile dysfunction in DMD EHM can be rescued by myoediting. FOC normalized to muscle content of each individual EHM in response to increasing extracellular calcium concentrations; $n = 8/8/6/4/6/6/4/4$; $*P < 0.05$ by two-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) and Tukey's multiple comparison test. WT EHM data are pooled from parallel experiments with indicated DMD lines and applied to Fig. 4 (B to D). (FIG. 4E) Maximal cardiomyocyte FOC normalized to WT. $n = 8/8/6/4/6/6/4/4$; $*P < 0.05$ by one-way ANOVA and Tukey's multiple comparison test. (FIG. 4F) Titration of corrected cardiomyocytes revealed that 30% of cardio-myocytes needed to be repaired to partially rescue the phenotype, and 50% of cardiomyocytes needed to be repaired to fully rescue the phenotype (100% Del-Cor.) in EHMs. WT, Del, and 100% Del-Cor. are pooled data, as displayed in Fig. 4.

FIG. 5A-5B. Genome editing of DMD top 12 exons by CRISPR/Cas9. (FIG. 5A) DNA sequences of DMD top 12 exons (51, 45, 53, 44, 46, 52, 50, 43, 6, 7, 8 and 55) from GPF+ human 293 cells edited by SpCas9 using the corresponding guide RNAs (Table 5). PCR products from genomic DNA of each sample were subcloned into pCRII-TOPO vector and individual clones were picked and sequenced. Unedited wild type (WT) sequences are on the top and representative edited sequences are on the bottom. Deleted sequences are replaced by black dashes. Red lower case letters (ag) indicate the splice acceptor sites (SA, 3' end of the intron). Blue lower case letters (gt) indicate the splice donor sites (SD, 5' end of the intron). FIG. 5A discloses SEQ ID NOS 2488-2526 in the left column and SEQ ID NOS 2427-2546 in the right column, all respectively, in order of appearance. (FIG. 5B) RT-PCR of RNA from edited 293 cells indicate deletion of targeted DMD Dp140 isoform exons (51, 53, 46, 52, 50 and 55). Black arrows indicate the RT-PCR products with exon deletions. M denotes size marker lane. bp indicates the length of the marker bands. Sequence of the RT-PCR products of exon deletion bands contained the two flanking exons, but skipped the targeted exon. For example, sequence of the RT-PCR products of Δ Ex51 band confirmed that exon 50 spliced directly to exon 52, excluding exon 51. FIG. 5B discloses "GAGCCTGCAACA" as SEQ ID NO: 2547, "ATCGAACAGTTG" as SEQ ID NO: 2548, "AAAGAGTACTG" as SEQ ID NO: 2549, "CAGAAGTTGAAA" as SEQ ID NO: 2550, "GTGAAGCTCCTA" as SEQ ID NO: 2551 and "TAAAAGGACCTC" as SEQ ID NO: 2552.

FIG. 6A-6D. Correction of a large deletion mutation (Del. Ex47-50) in DMD iPSCs and iPSC-derived cardiomyocytes. (FIG. 6A) T7E1 assay using human 293 cells transfected with plasmid expressing SpCas9, gRNAs (Ex51-g1, g2 and g3), and GFP show genome cleavage at DMD exon 51. Red arrowheads point to cleavage products. M, marker; bp, base pair. (FIG. 6B) DNA sequences of DMD exon 51 from GPF+ DMD Del iPSCs edited by SpCas9 and the guide RNA Ex51 g3. PCR products from genomic DNA of a mixture of myoedited DMD iPSCs were subcloned into pCRII-TOPO vector and sequenced as described above. Uncorrected exon51 sequence is on the top and representative edited sequences are on the bottom. Deleted sequences are replaced by black dashes. Red lower-case letters (ag) indicate the splice acceptor sites. The number of deleted nucleotides is indicated by (-). FIG. 6B discloses SEQ ID NOS 2553-2561, respectively, in order of appearance. (FIG. 6C) Sequence of the lower RT-PCR band from Fig. 2D (Del-Cor. lane) confirms skipping of exon 51, which reframed the DMD ORF (dystrophin transcript from exons 47 to 52). FIG. 6C discloses SEQ ID NO: 2562. (FIG. 6D) Immunocytochemistry shows dystrophin expression in iPSC-derived cardiomyocyte mixtures (Del-Cor.) and single colony (Del-Cor-SC) following

SpCas9-mediated exon skipping with guide RNA Ex51-g3 compared to WT and uncorrected cardiomyocyte (Del). Green, dystrophin staining; red, troponin I staining; blue, nuclei staining. Scale bar = 100 μ m.

FIG. 7A-7D. Correction of a pseudo-exon mutation (pEx47A) in DMD iPSCs and iPSC-derived cardiomyocytes. (FIG. 7A) T7E1 assay using DMD pEx47A iPSCs nucleofected with vector expressing SpCas9, gRNAs (pEx47A-g1 and g2), and GFP show genome cleavage at DMD pseudo-exon 47A. Red arrowheads point to cleavage products. M, marker; bp, base pair. (FIG. 7B) DNA sequences of DMD pseudo-exon 47A from GFP+ DMD Del iPSCs edited by SpCas9 and the guide RNA pEx47A-g1 and g2. PCR products from genomic DNA of a mixture of myoedited DMD iPSCs were subcloned and sequenced as described above. Uncorrected pseudo-exon 47A sequence is on the top and representative edited sequences are on the bottom. Deleted sequences are replaced by black dashes. Red lower case letter (g) indicate point mutation in the cryptic splice acceptor site. The number of deleted nucleotides is indicated by (-). FIG. 7B discloses SEQ ID NOS 2563-2567, respectively, in order of appearance. (FIG. 7C) Sequence of the lower RT-PCR bands from Fig. 2G (pEx and pEx-Cor. lanes) confirms skipping of pseudo-exon 47A, which reframed the DMD ORF (dystrophin transcript from exons 47 to 48). FIG. 7C discloses SEQ ID NOS 2568-2569, respectively, in order of appearance. (FIG. 7D) Immunocytochemistry shows dystrophin expression in iPSC-derived cardiomyocyte mixtures (pEx-Cor.) and single colony (pEx-Cor-SC) following SpCas9-mediated exon skipping with guide RNA pEx47A-g2 compared to WT and uncorrected cardiomyocyte (pEx). Green, dystrophin staining; red, troponin I staining; blue, nuclei staining. Scale bar = 100 μ m.

FIG. 8A-8E. Correction of a large duplication mutation (Dup. Ex55-59) in DMD iPSCs and iPSC-derived cardiomyocytes. (FIG. 8A) This insertion site (In59-In54 junction) was confirmed by PCR using a forward primer targeting intron 59 (F2) and a reverse primer targeting intron 54 (F1) (Fig. 2H and Table 4). The duplication-specific PCR band was absent in WT cells and was presented in Dup cells. (FIG. 8B) T7E1 assays using 293 cells with vector expressing SpCas9, gRNAs (In54-g1, g2 and g3), and GFP show genome cleavage at DMD intron 54. Red arrowheads point to cleavage products. M, marker; bp, base pair. (FIG. 8C) mRNA with duplicated exons was semi-quantified by RT-PCR using the primers flanking the duplication borders exon 53 and exon 55 (Ex53F, a forward primer in exon 53 and Ex59R, a reverse primer in exon 59). Similarly, duplicated exons was semi-quantified by RT-PCR using the primers flanking the duplication borders exon 59 and exon 60 (Ex59F, a forward primer in exon 59 and Ex60R, a reverse primer in exon 60). The duplication-specific RT-PCR upper

bands (red arrowhead) were absent in WT cells and were decreased dramatically in Dup-Cor. cells. (FIG. 8D) PCR results of three representative corrected single colonies (Dup-Cor-SC #4, 6 and 26) and the uncorrected control (Dup). The absence of a duplication-specific PCR band (F2-R1) in colonies 4, 6 and 26 confirmed the deletion of the duplicated DNA region. M denotes size marker lane. bp indicates the length of the marker bands. (FIG. 8E) Immunocytochemistry shows dystrophin expression in iPSC-derived cardiomyocyte mixtures (Dup-Cor.) and single colony (Dup-Cor-SC #6) following SpCas9-mediated exon skipping with guide RNA In54-g1 compared to WT and uncorrected cardiomyocyte (Dup). Green, dystrophin staining; red, troponin I staining; blue, nuclei staining. Scale bar = 100 μ m.

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION

DMD is a new mutation syndrome with more than 4,000 independent mutations that have been identified in humans (world-wide web at dmd.nl). The majority of patient mutations include deletions that cluster in a hotspot, and thus a therapeutic approach for skipping certain exon applies to large group of patients. The rationale of the exon skipping approach is based on the genetic difference between DMD and Becker muscular dystrophy (BMD) patients. In DMD patients, the reading frame of dystrophin mRNA is disrupted resulting in prematurely truncated, non-functional dystrophin proteins. BMD patients have mutations in the DMD gene that maintain the reading frame allowing the production of internally deleted, but partially functional dystrophins leading to much milder disease symptoms compared to DMD patients.

Duchenne muscular dystrophy (DMD) afflicts ~1 in 5000 males and is caused by mutations in the X-linked dystrophin gene (DMD). These mutations include large deletions, large duplications, point mutations, and other small mutations. The rod-shaped dystrophin protein links the cytoskeleton and the extracellular matrix of muscle cells and maintains the integrity of the plasma membrane. In its absence, muscle cells degenerate. Although DMD causes many severe symptoms, dilated cardiomyopathy is a leading cause of death of DMD patients.

CRISPR (clustered regularly interspaced short palindromic repeats)/Cas9 (CRISPR-associated protein 9)-mediated genome editing is emerging as a promising tool for correction of genetic disorders. Briefly, an engineered RNA-guided nuclease, such as Cas9 or Cpf1, generates a double-strand break (DSB) at the targeted genomic locus adjacent to a short protospacer adjacent motif (PAM) sequence. There are three primary pathways to repair the DSB: (i) Nonhomologous end joining (NHEJ) directly ligates two DNA ends and leads to

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imprecise insertion/deletion (indel) mutations. (ii) Homology-directed repair (HDR) uses sister chromatid or exogenous DNA as a repair template and generates a precise modification at the target sites. (iii) Microhomology-mediated end joining (MMEJ) uses short sequences of nucleotide homology (5 to 25 base pairs) flanking the original DSB to ligate the broken
5 ends and deletes the region between the microhomologies. Although NHEJ can effectively generate indel mutations in most cell types, HDR- or MMEJ-mediated editing is generally thought to be restricted to proliferating cells.

Internal in-frame deletions of dystrophin are associated with Becker muscular dystrophy (BMD), a relatively mild form of muscular dystrophy. Inspired by the attenuated
10 clinical severity of BMD versus DMD, exon skipping has been advanced as a therapeutic strategy to bypass mutations that disrupt the dystrophin open reading frame by modulating splicing patterns of the DMD gene. Several recent studies used CRISPR/Cas9-mediated genome editing to correct various types of DMD mutations in human cells and mice. Some have deployed pairs of guide RNAs to correct the mutation, which requires simultaneous
15 cutting of DNA and excision of large intervening genomic sequences (23 to 725 kb). Fortuitously, the PAM sequence for *Streptococcus pyogenes* Cas9 (SpCas9), the first and most widely used form of Cas9, contains NAG or NGG, corresponding to the universal splice acceptor sequence (AG) and most of the donor sequences (GG). Thus, in principle, directing Cas9 to splice junctions and the elimination of these consensus sequences by indels can allow
20 for efficient exon skipping. In addition, only a single cleavage of DNA, which disrupts the splice site, can enable skipping of an entire exon.

Given the thousands of individual DMD mutations that have been identified in humans, an obvious question is how such a large number of mutations might be corrected by CRISPR/Cas9-mediated genome editing. Human DMD mutations are clustered in specific
25 “hotspot” areas of the gene (exons 45 to 55 and exons 2 to 10) such that skipping 1 or 2 of 12 targeted exons within or nearby the hotspots (termed “top 12 exons”) can, in principle, rescue dystrophin function in a majority (~60%) of DMD patients. Here, CRISPR/Cas9 is used with single-guide RNAs to destroy the conserved splice acceptor or donor sites preceding DMD mutations or to bypass mutant or out-of-frame exons, thereby allowing splicing between
30 surrounding exons to recreate in-frame dystrophin proteins lacking the mutations. This approach was first tested by screening for optimal guide RNAs capable of inducing skipping of the DMD 12 exons that would potentially allow skipping of the most commonly mutated or out-of-frame exons within nearby mutational hotspots. As examples of this approach, the

restoration of dystrophin expression is demonstrated in induced pluripotent stem cell (iPSC)-derived cardiomyocytes harboring exon deletions and a pseudo-exon point mutation. Finally, human iPSC-derived three-dimensional (3D) engineered heart muscle (EHM) was used to test the efficacy of gene editing to overcome abnormalities in cardiac contractility associated with DMD. Contractile dysfunction was observed in DMD EHM, recapitulating the dilated cardiomyopathy (DCM) clinical phenotype of DMD patients, and contractile function was effectively restored in corrected DMD EHM. Thus, genome editing represents a powerful means of eliminating the genetic cause and correcting the muscle and cardiac abnormalities associated with DMD.

10 These and other aspects of the disclosure are described in further detail below.

CRISPR Systems

CRISPRs (clustered regularly interspaced short palindromic repeats) are DNA loci containing short repetitions of base sequences. Each repetition is followed by short segments of “spacer DNA” from previous exposures to a virus. CRISPRs are found in approximately 40% of sequenced eubacteria genomes and 90% of sequenced archaea. CRISPRs are often associated with Cas genes that code for proteins related to CRISPRs. The CRISPR/Cas system is a prokaryotic immune system that confers resistance to foreign genetic elements such as plasmids and phages and provides a form of acquired immunity. CRISPR spacers recognize and silence these exogenous genetic elements like RNAi in eukaryotic organisms.

20 CRISPR repeats range in size from 24 to 48 base pairs. They usually show some dyad symmetry, implying the formation of a secondary structure such as a hairpin, but are not truly palindromic. Repeats are separated by spacers of similar length. Some CRISPR spacer sequences exactly match sequences from plasmids and phages, although some spacers match the prokaryote’s genome (self-targeting spacers). New spacers can be added rapidly in response to phage infection.

Guide RNA (gRNA). As an RNA guided protein, Cas9 requires a short RNA to direct the recognition of DNA targets. Though Cas9 preferentially interrogates DNA sequences containing a PAM sequence NGG it can bind here without a protospacer target. However, the Cas9-gRNA complex requires a close match to the gRNA to create a double strand break. CRISPR sequences in bacteria are expressed in multiple RNAs and then processed to create guide strands for RNA. Because Eukaryotic systems lack some of the proteins required to process CRISPR RNAs the synthetic construct gRNA was created to combine the essential

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pieces of RNA for Cas9 targeting into a single RNA expressed with the RNA polymerase type III promoter U6. Synthetic gRNAs are slightly over 100 bp at the minimum length and contain a portion which targets the 20 protospacer nucleotides immediately preceding the PAM sequence NGG; gRNAs do not contain a PAM sequence.

5 In some embodiments, the gRNA targets a site within a wildtype dystrophin gene. An exemplary wildtype dystrophin gene includes the human sequence (see GenBank Accession NO. NC_000023.11), located on the human X chromosome, which codes for the protein dystrophin (GenBank Accession No. AAA53189; SEQ ID NO: 5), the sequence of which is reproduced below:

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10      1 MLWWEVEEDC YEREDVQKKT FTKWVNAQFS KFGKQHIENL FSDLQDGRRL LDLLEGLTGO
      61 KLPKEKGSTR VHALNNVNKA LRVLQNNNVD LVNIGSTDIV DGNHKLTLGL IWNIILHWQV
      121 KNVMKNIMAG LQQTNSEKIL LSWVRQSTRN YPQVNVINFT TSWSDGLALN ALIHSHRPDL
      181 FDWNSVVCQQ SATQRLEHAF NIARYQLGIE KLLDPEDVDT TYPDKKSILM YITSLFQVLP
      241 QQVSIEAIQE VEMLPRPPKV TKEEHFQLHH QMHYSQQITV SLAQGYERTS SPKPRFKSYA
15      301 YTQAAYVTTT DPTRSPFPSQ HLEAPEDKSF GSSLMESEVN LDRYQTALEE VLSWLLSAED
      361 TLQAQGEISN DVEVVKDQFH THEGYMDLT AHQGRVGNIL QLGSKLIGTG KLSSEDEETEVEV
      421 QEOMNLLNSR WECLRVASME KQSNLHRVLM DLQONQKLKEL NDWLTKTEER TRKMEEEEPLG
      481 PDLEDLKRQV QQHKVLQEDL EQEQVRVNSL THMVVVVDES SGDHATAALE EQLKVLGDRW
      541 ANICRWTEDR WVLLQDILLK WQRLTEEQCL FSAWLSEKED AVNKIHTTGF KDQNEMLSSL
20      601 QKLAVLKADL EKKKQSMGKL YSLKQDLLST LKNKSVTQKT EAWLDNFARC WDNLVQKLEK
      661 STAQISQAVT TTQPSLTQTT VMETVTVTIT REQILVKHAQ EELPPPPQK KRQITVDSEI
      721 RKRLDVDITE LHSWITRSEA VLQSPFAIF RKEGNFSDLK EKVNAIEREK AEKFRKLQDA
      781 SRSAQALVEQ MVNEGVNADS IKQASEQLNS RWIEFCQLLS ERLNWLEYQN NIIAFYNQLQ
      841 QLEQMTTAE NWLKIQTTP SEPTAIKSQL KICKDEVNRL SGLQPQIERL KIQSIALKEK
25      901 GQGPMFLDAD FVAFTNHFKQ VFSDVQAREK ELQTI FDTLP PMRYQETMSA IRTWVQQSET
      961 KLSIPQLSVT DYEIMEQRLG ELQALQSSLQ EQQSGLYYLS TTVKEMSKKA PSEISRKYQS
      1021 EFEEIEGRWK KLSSQLVEHC QKLEEQMNKL RKIQNHQITL KKWMAEVDVF LKEEWPALGD
      1081 SEILKKQLKC CRLLVSDIQT IQPSLNSVNE GGQIKNEAE PEFASRLETE LKELNTQWDH
      1141 MCQQVYARKE ALKGGLEKTV SLQKDLSEMH EWMTQAEVEEY LERDFEYKTP DELQKAVEEM
30      1201 KRAKEEAQQK EAKVKLLTES VNSVIAQAPP VAQEALKKEL ETLTTNYQWL CTRLNGKCKT
      1261 LEEVWACWHE LLSYLEKANK WLNEVEFKLK TTENIPGGAE EISEVLDSLE NLMRHSNDP
      1321 NQIRILAQTL TDGGVMDLI NEELETFNRS WRLEHEEAVR RQKLLEQSIQ SAQETEKSLH
      1381 LIQESLTFID KQLAAYIADK VDAAQMPQEA QKIQSDLTSH EISLEEMKKH NQGKEAAQRV
      1441 LSQIDVAQK LQDVSMKFR L FQKPAFELR LQESKMILDE VKMHLPALET KSVEQEVVQS
35      1501 QLNHCNVLYK SLSEVKSEVE MVIKTGRQIV QKKQTENPKE LDERVTALKL HYNELGAKVT
      1561 ERKQOLEKCL KLSRKMRKEM NVLTEWLAAT DMELTKRSV EGMPSNLDSE VAWGKATQKE
      1621 IEKQKVHLKS ITEVGEALKT VLGKKE TLVE DKLSLLNSNW IAVTSRAEWE LNLLLEYQKH
      1681 METFDQNVDH ITKWIQADT LLDESEKPK QQKEDVLKRL KAELNDRPK VDSTRDQAN
      1741 LMANRGDHCR KLVEPQISEL NHRFAAISHR IKTGKASIP KELEQFNSDI QKLEPLEAE
40      1801 IQQGNLKEE DFNKDMNEDN EGTVKELLQR GDNLQQRITD ERKREEIKIK QQLLQTKHNA
      1861 LKDLRSQRRK KALEISHQWY QYKRQADDLL KCLDDIEKKL ASLPEPRDER KIKEIDRELO
      1921 KKKEELNAVR RQAEGLSEDG AAMAVEPTQI QLSKRWREIE SKFAQFRRLN FAQIHTVREE
      1981 TMMVMTEDEMP LEISYVPSTY LTEITHVSQA LLEVEQLLNA PDLCAKDFED LFKQEESLKN
      2041 IKDSLQSSG RIDIIHSKKT AALQSATPVE RVKLQEALSQ LDFQWEKVNK MYKDRQGRFD
45      2101 RSVEKWRRFH YDIKIFNQLW TEAEQFLRKT QIPENWEHAK YKWYLKELQD GIGQRQTVVR
      2161 TLNATGEEII QSSKTDASI LQEKLGSLNL RWQEVCKQLS DRKKRLEEQL NILSEQRDL
      2221 NEFVLWLEEA DNIAIPLPE GKEQQLEKEL EQVKLLVEEL PLRQGILKQL NETGGPVLVS
      2281 APISPEEQDK LENKLRQTNL QWIKVSRALP EKQGEIEAQI KDLGQLEKKL EDLEEQLNHL
      2341 LLWLSPIRNQ LEIYNQPNQE GPFVDQETEI AVQAKQPDVE EILSKGQHLI KEKPATQPVK
50      2401 RKLEDLSSEW KAVNRLLOEL RAKQPD LAPG LTTIGASPTQ TTVTLVTQPVV TKETAISKLE
      2461 MPSSLMLEVP ALADFNRAWT ELTDWLSLLD QVIKSQRVMV GDLEDINEMI IKQKATMQDL
      2521 EQRRPQLEEL ITAAQNLKKN TSNQEARTII TDRIERIQQ WDEVQEHLQN RRQQLNEMLK

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2581 DSTQWLEAKE EAEQVLGQAR AKLESWKEGP YTVDAIQKKI TETKQLAKDL RQWQTNVDVA
 2641 NDLALKLLRD YSADDTRKVH MITENINASW RSIHKRVSER EAALEETHRL LQFPLDLEK
 2701 FLAWLTEAET TANVLQDATR KERLLEDSKG VKELMKQWQD LQGEIEAHTD VYHNLDENSQ
 2761 KILRSLEGS DAVLLQRRLD NMNFKWSELR KKSLNIRSHL EASSDQWKRL HLSLQELLVW
 5 2821 LQLKDDELSR QAPIGGDFPA VQKQNDVHRA FKRELKTKEP VIMSTLETVR IFLTEQPLEG
 2881 LEKLYQEPRE LPPEERAQNV TRLLRKQAEV VNTWEWEKLN HSADWQORKID ETLERLQELQ
 2941 EATDELDELK RQAEVIKGSW QPVGDLLIDS LQDHLEKVKA LRGEIAPLKE NVSHVNDLAR
 3001 QLTTLGIQLS PYNLSTLEDL NTRWKLLQVA VEDRVRQLHE AHRDFGPASQ HFLSTSVQGP
 3061 WERAISPKNV PYYINHETQT TCWDHPKMT E LYQSLADLNN VRFSAYRTAM KLRRLOKALC
 10 3121 LDLLSLSAAC DALDQHNLKQ NDQPM DILQI INCLTTIYDR LEQEHNNLVN VPLCVDMLN
 3181 WLLNVYDTGR TGIRVLSFK TGIISLCKAH LEDKYRYL FK QVASSTGFCD QRRGLLLHD
 3241 SIQIPRQLGE VASFGGSNIE PSVRSCFQFA NNKPEIEAAL FLDWMRLEPQ SMVWLPVLRH
 3301 VAAAE TAKHQ AKCNICKECP IIGFRYRSLK HFNYDICQSC FFSGRVAKGH KMHYPMVEYC
 3361 TPTTSGEDVR DFAKVLKNKF RTKRYFAKHP RMGYLPVQTV LEGDNMETPV TLINFWPVDS
 15 3421 APASSQLSH DDTHSRIEHY ASRLAEMENS NGSYLNDSIS PNESIDDEHL LIQHVCQSLN
 3481 QDSPLSQPRS PAQILISLES EERGELELIL ADLEENRNL QAEYDRLKQQ HEHKGLSPLP
 3541 SPPEMMPTSP QSPRDAELIA EAKLLRQHKG RLEARMQILE DHNKQLESQ L HRLRQLLEQP
 3601 QAEAKVNGTT VSSPSTSLQR SDSSQPMLLR VVGSQTSDSM GEEDLLSPPQ DTSTGLEEVM
 3661 EQLNNSFPSS RGRNTPGKPM REDTM.

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In some embodiments, the gRNA targets a site within a mutant dystrophin gene. In some embodiments, the gRNA targets a dystrophin intron. In some embodiments, the gRNA targets a dystrophin exon. In some embodiments, the gRNA targets a site in a dystrophin exon that is expressed and is present in one or more of the dystrophin isoforms shown in Table 1. In some embodiments, the gRNA targets a dystrophin splice site. In some embodiments, the gRNA targets a splice donor site on the dystrophin gene. In some embodiments, the gRNA targets a splice acceptor site on the dystrophin gene.

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Table 1: Dystrophin isoforms

Sequence Name	Nucleic Acid Accession No.	Nucleic Acid SEQ ID NO:	Protein Accession No.	Protein SEQ ID NO:	Description
DMD Genomic Sequence	NC_000023.11 (positions 31119219 to 33339609)	None	None	None	Sequence from Human X Chromosome (at positions Xp21.2 to p21.1) from Assembly GRCh38.p7 (GCF_000001405.33)
Dystrophin Dp427c isoform	NM_000109.3	6	NP_000100.2	7	Transcript Variant: transcript Dp427c is expressed predominantly in neurons of the cortex and the CA regions of the hippocampus. It uses a unique promoter/exon 1 located about 130 kb upstream of the Dp427m transcript promoter. The transcript includes the common exon 2 of transcript Dp427m and has a similar length of 14 kb. The Dp427c isoform contains a unique N-terminal MED sequence, instead of the MLWWEVEEDCY sequence (SEQ ID NO:2476) of isoform Dp427m. The remainder of isoform Dp427c is identical to isoform Dp427m.
Dystrophin Dp427m isoform	NM_004006.2	8	NP_003997.1	9	Transcript Variant: transcript Dp427m encodes the main dystrophin protein found in muscle. As a result of alternative promoter use, exon 1 encodes a unique N-terminal MLWWEVEEDCY (SEQ ID NO: 2476) aa sequence.
Dystrophin Dp427p1 isoform	NM_004009.3	10	NP_004000.1	11	Transcript Variant: transcript Dp427p1 initiates from a unique promoter/exon 1 located in what corresponds to the first intron of transcript Dp427m. The transcript adds the common exon 2 of Dp427m and has a similar length (14 kb). The Dp427p1 isoform replaces the MLWWEVEEDCY

Dystrophin Dp260-1 isoform	NM_004011.3	12	NP_004002.2	13	(SEQ ID NO: 2476) -start of Dp427m with a unique N-terminal MSEVSSD (SEQ ID NO: 2477) aa sequence. Transcript Variant: transcript Dp260-1 uses exons 30-79, and originates from a promoter/exon 1 sequence located in intron 29 of the dystrophin gene. As a result, Dp260-1 contains a 95 bp exon 1 encoding a unique N-terminal 16 aa MTEIILLJFFPAYFLN-sequence (SEQ ID NO: 2478) that replaces amino acids 1-1357 of the full-length dystrophin product (Dp427m isoform).
Dystrophin Dp260-2 isoform	NM_004012.3	14	NP_004003.1	15	Transcript Variant: transcript Dp260-2 uses exons 30-79, starting from a promoter/exon 1 sequence located in intron 29 of the dystrophin gene that is alternatively spliced and lacks N-terminal amino acids 1-1357 of the full length dystrophin (Dp427m isoform). The Dp260-2 transcript encodes a unique N-terminal MSARKLRNLSYKK sequence (SEQ ID NO: 2479).
Dystrophin Dp140 isoform	NM_004013.2	16	NP_004004.1	17	Transcript Variant: Dp140 transcripts use exons 45-79, starting at a promoter/exon 1 located in intron 44. Dp140 transcripts have a long (1 kb) 5' UTR since translation is initiated in exon 51 (corresponding to aa 2461 of dystrophin). In addition to the alternative promoter and exon 1, differential splicing of exons 71-74 and 78 produces at least five Dp140 isoforms. Of these, this transcript (Dp140) contains all of the exons.
Dystrophin Dp116 isoform	NM_004014.2	18	NP_004005.1	19	Transcript Variant: transcript Dp116 uses exons 56-79, starting from a promoter/exon 1 within intron 55. As a result, the Dp116 isoform contains a unique N-terminal MLHRKTYHVK aa sequence (SEQ ID NO: 2480), instead of aa 1-2739 of

Dystrophin Dp71 isoform	NM_004015.2	20	NP_004006.1	21	dystrophin. Differential splicing produces several Dp116-subtypes. The Dp116 isoform is also known as S-dystrophin or apo-dystrophin-2. Transcript Variant: Dp71 transcripts use exons 63-79 with a novel 80- to 100-nt exon containing an ATG start site for a new coding sequence of 17 nt. The short coding sequence is in-frame with the consecutive dystrophin sequence from exon 63. Differential splicing of exons 71 and 78 produces at least four Dp71 isoforms. Of these, this transcript (Dp71) includes both exons 71 and 78.
Dystrophin Dp71b isoform	NM_004016.2	22	NP_004007.1	23	Transcript Variant: Dp71 transcripts use exons 63-79 with a novel 80- to 100-nt exon containing an ATG start site for a new coding sequence of 17 nt. The short coding sequence is in-frame with the consecutive dystrophin sequence from exon 63. Differential splicing of exons 71 and 78 produces at least four Dp71 isoforms. Of these, this transcript (Dp71b) lacks exon 78 and encodes a protein with a different C-terminus than Dp71 and Dp71a isoforms.
Dystrophin Dp71a isoform	NM_004017.2	24	NP_004008.1	25	Transcript Variant: Dp71 transcripts use exons 63-79 with a novel 80- to 100-nt exon containing an ATG start site for a new coding sequence of 17 nt. The short coding sequence is in-frame with the consecutive dystrophin sequence from exon 63. Differential splicing of exons 71 and 78 produces at least four Dp71 isoforms. Of these, this transcript (Dp71a) lacks exon 71.
Dystrophin Dp71ab isoform	NM_004018.2	26	NP_004009.1	27	Transcript Variant: Dp71 transcripts use exons 63-79 with a novel 80- to 100-nt exon containing an ATG start site for a new coding sequence of 17 nt. The short coding sequence is in-frame with the

						consecutive dystrophin sequence from exon 63. Differential splicing of exons 71 and 78 produces at least four Dp71 isoforms. Of these, this transcript (Dp71ab) lacks both exons 71 and 78 and encodes a protein with a C-terminus like isoform Dp71b.
Dystrophin Dp40 isoform	NM_004019.2	28	NP_004010.1	29		Transcript Variant: transcript Dp40 uses exons 63-70. The 5' UTR and encoded first 7 aa are identical to that in transcript Dp71, but the stop codon lies at the splice junction of the exon/intron 70. The 3' UTR includes nt from intron 70 which includes an alternative polyadenylation site. The Dp40 isoform lacks the normal C-terminal end of full-length dystrophin (aa 3409-3685).
Dystrophin Dp140c isoform	NM_004020.3	30	NP_004011.2	31		Transcript Variant: Dp140 transcripts use exons 45-79, starting at a promoter/exon 1 located in intron 44. Dp140 transcripts have a long (1 kb) 5' UTR since translation is initiated in exon 51 (corresponding to aa 2461 of dystrophin). In addition to the alternative promoter and exon 1, differential splicing of exons 71-74 and 78 produces at least five Dp140 isoforms. Of these, this transcript (Dp140c) lacks exons 71-74.
Dystrophin Dp140b isoform	NM_004021.2	32	NP_004012.1	33		Transcript Variant: Dp140 transcripts use exons 45-79, starting at a promoter/exon 1 located in intron 44. Dp140 transcripts have a long (1 kb) 5' UTR since translation is initiated in exon 51 (corresponding to aa 2461 of dystrophin). In addition to the alternative promoter and exon 1, differential splicing of exons 71-74 and 78 produces at least five Dp140 isoforms. Of these, this transcript (Dp140b) lacks exon 78 and encodes a protein with a unique C-terminus.

Dystrophin Dp140ab isoform	NM_004022.2	34	NP_004013.1	35	Transcript Variant: Dp140 transcripts use exons 45-79, starting at a promoter/exon 1 located in intron 44. Dp140 transcripts have a long (1 kb) 5' UTR since translation is initiated in exon 51 (corresponding to aa 2461 of dystrophin). In addition to the alternative promoter and exon 1, differential splicing of exons 71-74 and 78 produces at least five Dp140 isoforms. Of these, this transcript (Dp140ab) lacks exons 71 and 78 and encodes a protein with a unique C-terminus.
Dystrophin Dp140bc isoform	NM_004023.2	36	NP_004014.1	37	Transcript Variant: Dp140 transcripts use exons 45-79, starting at a promoter/exon 1 located in intron 44. Dp140 transcripts have a long (1 kb) 5' UTR since translation is initiated in exon 51 (corresponding to aa 2461 of dystrophin). In addition to the alternative promoter and exon 1, differential splicing of exons 71-74 and 78 produces at least five Dp140 isoforms. Of these, this transcript (Dp140bc) lacks exons 71-74 and 78 and encodes a protein with a unique C-terminus.
Dystrophin isoform X2	XM_006724469.3	38	XP_006724532.1	39	
Dystrophin isoform X5	XM_011545467.1	40	XP_011543769.1	41	
Dystrophin isoform X6	XM_006724473.2	42	XP_006724536.1	43	
Dystrophin isoform X8	XM_006724475.2	44	XP_006724538.1	45	
Dystrophin isoform X4	XM_017029328.1	46	XP_016884817.1	47	
Dystrophin isoform X1	XM_006724468.2	48	XP_006724531.1	49	

Dystrophin isoform X13	XM_017029331.1	50	XP_016884820.1	51	
Dystrophin isoform X3	XM_006724470.3	52	XP_006724533.1	53	
Dystrophin isoform X7	XM_006724474.3	54	XP_006724537.1	55	
Dystrophin isoform X9	XM_011545468.2	56	XP_011543770.1	57	
Dystrophin isoform X11	XM_017029330.1	58	XP_016884819.1	59	
Dystrophin isoform X10	XM_017029329.1	865	XP_016884818.1	866	
Dystrophin isoform X12	XM_011545469.1	867	XP_011543771.1	868	

In embodiments, the guide RNA targets a mutant DMD exon. In some embodiments, the mutant exon is exon 23 or 51. In some embodiments, the guide RNA targets at least one of exons 1, 23, 41, 44, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, or 55 of the dystrophin gene. In 5
embodiments, the guide RNA targets at least one of introns 44, 45, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, or 55 of the dystrophin gene. In preferred embodiments, the guide RNAs are designed to induce skipping of exon 51 or exon 23. In embodiments, the gRNA is targeted to a splice acceptor site of exon 51 or exon 23.

Suitable gRNAs and genomic target sequences for use in various compositions and 10
methods disclosed herein are provided as SEQ ID NOs: 60-705, 712-862, and 947-2377.

In some embodiments, the gRNA or gRNA target site has a sequence of any one of the gRNAs or gRNA target sites shown in Tables 5-19.

In some embodiments, gRNAs of the disclosure comprise a sequence that is complementary to a target sequence within a coding sequence or a non-coding sequence 15
corresponding to the *DMD* gene, and, therefore, hybridize to the target sequence. In some embodiments, gRNAs for Cpf1 comprise a single crRNA containing a direct repeat scaffold sequence followed by 24 nucleotides of guide sequence. In some embodiments, a “guide” sequence of the crRNA comprises a sequence of the gRNA that is complementary to a target sequence. In some embodiments, crRNA of the disclosure comprises a sequence of the gRNA 20
that is not complementary to a target sequence. “Scaffold” sequences of the disclosure link the gRNA to the Cpf1 polypeptide. “Scaffold” sequences of the disclosure are not equivalent to a tracrRNA sequence of a gRNA-Cas9 construct.

In some embodiments, a nucleic acid may comprise one or more sequences encoding a gRNA. In some embodiments, a nucleic acid may comprise 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 25
13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, or 20 sequences encoding a gRNA. In some embodiments, all of the sequences encode the same gRNA. In some embodiments, all of the sequences encode different gRNAs. In some embodiments, at least 2 of the sequences encode the same gRNA, for example at least 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, or 20 of the sequences encode the same gRNA.

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Nucleases

Cas Nucleases. CRISPR-associated (*cas*) genes are often associated with CRISPR repeat-spacer arrays. As of 2013, more than forty different Cas protein families had been described. Of these protein families, Cas1 appears to be ubiquitous among different
5 CRISPR/Cas systems. Particular combinations of *cas* genes and repeat structures have been used to define 8 CRISPR subtypes (*Ecoli*, *Ypest*, *Nmeni*, *Dvulg*, *Tneap*, *Hmari*, *Apern*, and *Mtube*), some of which are associated with an additional gene module encoding repeat-associated mysterious proteins (RAMPs). More than one CRISPR subtype may occur in a single genome. The sporadic distribution of the CRISPR/Cas subtypes suggests that the system
10 is subject to horizontal gene transfer during microbial evolution.

Exogenous DNA is apparently processed by proteins encoded by Cas genes into small elements (~30 base pairs in length), which are then somehow inserted into the CRISPR locus near the leader sequence. RNAs from the CRISPR loci are constitutively expressed and are processed by Cas proteins to small RNAs composed of individual, exogenously-derived
15 sequence elements with a flanking repeat sequence. The RNAs guide other Cas proteins to silence exogenous genetic elements at the RNA or DNA level. Evidence suggests functional diversity among CRISPR subtypes. The Cse (Cas subtype *Ecoli*) proteins (called CasA-E in *E. coli*) form a functional complex, Cascade, that processes CRISPR RNA transcripts into spacer-repeat units that Cascade retains. In other prokaryotes, Cas6 processes the CRISPR transcripts.
20 Interestingly, CRISPR-based phage inactivation in *E. coli* requires Cascade and Cas3, but not Cas1 and Cas2. The Cmr (Cas RAMP module) proteins found in *Pyrococcus furiosus* and other prokaryotes form a functional complex with small CRISPR RNAs that recognizes and cleaves complementary target RNAs. RNA-guided CRISPR enzymes are classified as type V restriction enzymes.

25 Cas9 is a nuclease, an enzyme specialized for cutting DNA, with two active cutting sites, one for each strand of the double helix. One or both sites may be deactivated while preserving Cas9's ability to locate its target DNA. Jinek *et al.* (2012) combined tracrRNA and spacer RNA into a "single-guide RNA" molecule that, mixed with Cas9, can find and cut the correct DNA targets and such synthetic guide RNAs are used for gene editing.

30 Cas9 proteins are highly enriched in pathogenic and commensal bacteria. CRISPR/Cas-mediated gene regulation may contribute to the regulation of endogenous bacterial genes, particularly during bacterial interaction with eukaryotic hosts. For example, Cas protein Cas9

of *Francisella novicida* uses a unique, small, CRISPR/Cas-associated RNA (scaRNA) to repress an endogenous transcript encoding a bacterial lipoprotein that is critical for *F. novicida* to dampen host response and promote virulence. It has been shown that coinjection of Cas9 mRNA and sgRNAs into the germline (zygotes) can be used to generate mice with mutations.

5 Delivery of Cas9 DNA sequences also is contemplated.

The CRISPR/Cas systems are separated into three classes. Class 1 uses several Cas proteins together with the CRISPR RNAs (crRNA) to build a functional endonuclease. Class 2 CRISPR systems use a single Cas protein with a crRNA. Cpf1 has been recently identified as a Class II, Type V CRISPR/Cas system containing a ~1,300 amino acid protein. See also U.S.
10 Patent Publication 2014/0068797, which is incorporated by reference in its entirety.

In some embodiments, the compositions of the disclosure include a small version of a Cas9 from the bacterium *Staphylococcus aureus* (UniProt Accession No. J7RUA5). The small version of the Cas9 provides advantages over wildtype or full length Cas9. In some embodiments the Cas9 is a *Streptococcus pyogenes* (spCas9).

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Cpf1 Nucleases. Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats from *Prevotella* and *Francisella* 1 or CRISPR/Cpf1 is a DNA-editing technology which shares some similarities with the CRISPR/Cas9 system. Cpf1 is an RNA-guided endonuclease of a class II CRISPR/Cas system. This acquired immune mechanism is found in *Prevotella* and *Francisella*
20 bacteria. It prevents genetic damage from viruses. Cpf1 genes are associated with the CRISPR locus, coding for an endonuclease that use a guide RNA to find and cleave viral DNA. Cpf1 is a smaller and simpler endonuclease than Cas9, overcoming some of the CRISPR/Cas9 system limitations.

Cpf1 appears in many bacterial species. The ultimate Cpf1 endonuclease that was
25 developed into a tool for genome editing was taken from one of the first 16 species known to harbor it.

In embodiments, the Cpf1 is a Cpf1 enzyme from *Acidaminococcus* (species BV3L6, UniProt Accession No. U2UMQ6; SEQ ID NO: 870), having the sequence set forth below:

30 1 MTQFEGFTNL YQVSKTLRFE LIPQGKTLKH IQEQGFIEED KARNDHYKEL KPIIDRIYKT
61 YADQCLQLVQ LDWENLSAAI DSYRKEKTEE TRNALIEEQA TYRNAIHDFY IGRTDNLTD
121 INKRHAIEYK GLFKAELFNG KVLKQLGTVT TTEHENALLR SFDKFTTYFS GFYENRKNVF
181 SAEDISTAIP HRIVQDNFPK FKENCHIFTR LITAVPSLRE HFENVKKAIG IFVSTSIEEV
241 FSFPFYQQLL TQTQIDLYNQ LLGGISREAG TEKIKGLNEV LNLAIQKND E TAHIIASLPH
301 RFIPLFKQIL SDRNTLSFIL EEFKSDEEVI QSFCKYKTLR RNENVLETAE ALFNELNSID
35 361 LTHIFISHKK LETISSALCD HWDTLRNALY ERRISELTGK ITKSAKEKVQ RSLKHEDINL

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421 QEIISAAGKE LSEAFKQKTS EILSHAHAAL DQPLPTTLKK QEEKEILKSQ LDSLLGLYHL
481 LDWFVAVDESN EVDPEFSARL TGIKLEMEPS LSFYNKARNY ATKKPYSVEK FKLNFQMP TL
541 ASGWDVNKEK NNGAILFVKN GLYYLGIMPK QKGRYKALSF EPTEKTSEGF DKMYDYFPD
601 AAKMIPKCST QLKAVTAHFQ THTTPILLSN NFIEPLEITK EIYDLNNPEK EPKKFQTAYA
5 661 KKTGDQKGYR EALCKWIDFT RDFLSKYTKT TSIDLSSLRP SSQYKDLGEY YAE LNPLLYH
721 ISFQRIAEKE IMDAVETGKL YLFQIYNKDF AKGHGKPNL HTLYWTGLFS PENLAKTSIK
781 LNGQAE LFYR PKSRMKRMAH RLGEKMLNKK LKDQKTPIPD TLYQELYDYV NHRLSHDLS D
841 EARALLPNVI TKEVSHEI IK DRRFTSDKFF FHVPI TLNYQ AANSPSKFNQ RVNAYLKEHP
901 ETPIIGIDRG ERNLIYITVI DSTGKILEQR SLNTIQQFDY QKKLDNREKE RVAARQAWSV
10 961 VGTIKDLKQG YLSQVIHEIV DLMIH YQAVV VLENL NFGFK SKRTGIAEKA VYQQFEKMLI
1021 DKLNCLVLKD YPAEKVGGVL NPYQLTDQFT SFAKMG TQSG FLYVVPAPYT SKIDPLTGFV
1081 DPFVWKT IK HESRKHFL EG FDFLHYDVKT GDFILHF KMN RNLSFQRGLP GFMPAWDIVE
1141 EKNETQF DAK GTPPIAGKRI VPVIENHRFT GR YRDLYPAN ELIALLEEKG IVFRDGSNIL
1201 PKLLEND DSH AIDTMVALIR SVLQMRNSNA ATGEDYINSP VRDLNGVCFD SRFQNP EWPM
15 1261 DADANGAYHI ALKGQ LLLNH LKESKDLKLO NGISNQDWLA YIQELRN

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In some embodiments, the Cpfl is a Cpfl enzyme from *Lachnospiraceae* (species ND2006, UniProt Accession No. A0A182DWE3; SEQ ID NO: 871), having the sequence set forth below:

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20 1 AASKLEKFTN CYLSKTLRF KAIPVGKTQE NIDNKRL LVE DEKRAEDYKG VKKLLDRYYL
61 SFINDVLHSI KLKLN LNNYIS LFRKKTRTEK ENKELENLEI NLRKEIAKAF KGAAGYKSLF
121 KKDI IETILP EAADDKDEIA LVNSFNGFTT AFTGFFDNRE NMFSEEAKST SIAFRCINEN
181 LTRYISNMDI FEKVDAIFDK HEVQEIKEKI LNSDYDVEDF FEGEFFNFVL TQEGIDVYNA
241 IIGGFVTESE EKI KGLNEYI NLYNAKTQA LPKFKPLYKQ VLS DRESLSF YGEGYTSDEE
25 301 VLEVFRTLN KNSEIFSSIK KLEKLFKNFD EYSSAGIFVK NGPAISTISK DIFGEWNLR
361 DKWNAEYDDI HLKKA VVTE KYEDDRKSF KKIGSFSLEQ LQEYADADLS VVEKLKEIII
421 QKVDEIYKVY GSSEKLF DAD FVLEKSLKKN DAVVAIMKDL LDSVKS FENY IKAFFGEGKE
481 TNRDESFYGD FVLAYDILLK VDHIYDAIRN YVTQKPYSK KFKLYFQNPQ FMGGWDKDKE
541 TDYRATILRY GSKYYLAIMD KKYAKCLQKI DKDDVNGN YE KINYKLLPGP NKMLPKVFFS
30 601 KKWMAYNPS EDIQKIYKNG TFKKGDMFNL NDCHKLIDFF KDSISRYPKW SNAYDFNFSE
661 TEKYKDIAGF YREVEEQGYK VSFESASKKE VDKLVEEGKL YMFQIYNKDF SDKSHGTPNL
721 HTMYFKLLFD ENNHGQIRLS GGAE LFMRR SLKKEELV VH PANSPIANKN PDNPKKTTTL
781 SYDVYKDKRF SEDQYELHIP IAINKCPKNI FKINTEVRVL LKHDDN PYVI GIDRGERNLL
841 YIVVVDGKGN IVEQYSLNEI INNFNIRIK TDYHSLLDKK EKERFEARQN WTSIENIKEL
35 901 KAGYISQV VH KICELVEKYD AVIALEDLNS GFKNSRVKVE KQVYQKFEKM LIDKLN YMVD
961 KKSNPCATGG ALKGYQITNK FESFKMSTQ NGFI FYIPAW LTSKIDPSTG FVNLLKTKYT
1021 SIADSKKFIS SFDRIMYVPE EDLFEFALDY KNFSRTDADY IKKWKLYSYG NRIRIFAAAK
1081 KNNVFAWEV CLTSAYKELF NKYGINYQQG DIRALLCEQS DKA FYSSFMA LMSLMLQMRN
1141 SITGR TDVDF LISPVKNSDG IFYDSRNYEA QENAILPKNA DANGAYNIAR KVLWAIQ QFK
40 1201 KAEDKLDKV KIAISNKEWL EYAQTSVK

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In some embodiments, the Cpfl is codon optimized for expression in mammalian cells. In some embodiments, the Cpfl is codon optimized for expression in human cells or mouse cells.

45 The Cpfl locus contains a mixed alpha/beta domain, a RuvC-I followed by a helical region, a RuvC-II and a zinc finger-like domain. The Cpfl protein has a RuvC-like endonuclease domain that is similar to the RuvC domain of Cas9. Furthermore, Cpfl does not have a HNH endonuclease domain, and the N-terminal of Cpfl does not have the alpha-helical recognition lobe of Cas9.

Cpf1 CRISPR-Cas domain architecture shows that Cpf1 is functionally unique, being classified as Class 2, type V CRISPR system. The Cpf1 loci encode Cas1, Cas2 and Cas4 proteins more similar to types I and III than from type II systems. Database searches suggest the abundance of Cpf1-family proteins in many bacterial species.

5 Functional Cpf1 does not require a tracrRNA, therefore, only crRNA is required. This benefits genome editing because Cpf1 is not only smaller than Cas9, but also it has a smaller sgRNA molecule (approximately half as many nucleotides as Cas9).

10 The Cpf1-crRNA complex cleaves target DNA or RNA by identification of a protospacer adjacent motif 5'-YTN-3' (where "Y" is a pyrimidine and "N" is any nucleobase) or 5'-TTN-3', in contrast to the G-rich PAM targeted by Cas9. After identification of PAM, Cpf1 introduces a sticky-end-like DNA double-stranded break of 4 or 5 nucleotides overhang.

The CRISPR/Cpf1 system consist of a Cpf1 enzyme and a guide RNA that finds and positions the complex at the correct spot on the double helix to cleave target DNA. CRISPR/Cpf1 systems activity has three stages:

15 Adaptation, during which Cas1 and Cas2 proteins facilitate the adaptation of small fragments of DNA into the CRISPR array;

 Formation of crRNAs: processing of pre-cr-RNAs producing of mature crRNAs to guide the Cas protein; and

20 Interference, in which the Cpf1 is bound to a crRNA to form a binary complex to identify and cleave a target DNA sequence.

Cas9 versus Cpf1. Cas9 requires two RNA molecules to cut DNA while Cpf1 needs one. The proteins also cut DNA at different places, offering researchers more options when selecting an editing site. Cas9 cuts both strands in a DNA molecule at the same position, leaving behind 'blunt' ends. Cpf1 leaves one strand longer than the other, creating 'sticky' ends that are easier to work with. Cpf1 appears to be more able to insert new sequences at the cut site, compared to Cas9. Although the CRISPR/Cas9 system can efficiently disable genes, it is challenging to insert genes or generate a knock-in. Cpf1 lacks tracrRNA, utilizes a T-rich PAM and cleaves DNA via a staggered DNA DSB.

30 In summary, important differences between Cpf1 and Cas9 systems are that Cpf1 recognizes different PAMs, enabling new targeting possibilities, creates 4-5 nt long sticky ends,

instead of blunt ends produced by Cas9, enhancing the efficiency of genetic insertions and specificity during NHEJ or HDR, and cuts target DNA further away from PAM, further away from the Cas9 cutting site, enabling new possibilities for cleaving the DNA.

Table 2: Differences between Cas9 and Cpf1

Feature	Cas9	Cpf1
Structure	Two RNA required (Or 1 fusion transcript (crRNA+tracrRNA=gRNA))	One RNA required
Cutting mechanism	Blunt end cuts	Staggered end cuts
Cutting site	Proximal to recognition site	Distal from recognition site
Target sites	G-rich PAM	T-rich PAM

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Other Nucleases. In some embodiments, the nuclease is a Cas9 or a Cpf1 nuclease. In addition to Cas9 nucleases and Cpf1 nucleases, other nucleases may be used in the compositions and methods of the disclosure. For example, in some embodiments, the nuclease is a Type II, Type V-A, Type V-B, Type V-C, Type V-U, Type VI-B nuclease. In some 10 embodiments, the nuclease is a Cas9, Cas12a, Cas12b, Cas12c, Tnp-B like, Cas13a (C2c2), or Cas13b nuclease. In some embodiments, the nuclease is a TAL nuclease, a meganuclease, or a zinc-finger nuclease.

CRISPR-mediated gene editing. The first step in editing the DMD gene using 15 CRISPR/Cpf1 or CRISPR/Cas9 (or another nuclease) is to identify the genomic target sequence. The genomic target for the gRNAs of the disclosure can be any approximately 24 nucleotide DNA sequence, provided that the sequence is unique compared to the rest of the genome. In some embodiments, the genomic target sequence corresponds to a sequence within exon 51, exon 45, exon 44, exon 53, exon 46, exon 52, exon 50, exon 43, exon 6, exon 7, exon 20 8, and/or exon 55 of the human dystrophin gene. In some embodiments, the genomic target sequence is a 5' or 3' splice site of exon 51, exon 45, exon 44, exon 53, exon 46, exon 52, exon 50, exon 43, exon 6, exon 7, exon 8, and/or exon 55 of the human dystrophin gene. In some embodiments, the genomic target sequence corresponds to a sequence within an intron immediately upstream or downstream of exon 51, exon 45, exon 44, exon 53, exon 46, exon

52, exon 50, exon 43, exon 6, exon 7, exon 8, and/or exon 55 of the human dystrophin gene. Exemplary genomic target sequences can be found in Tables 2, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14 and 19.

The next step in editing the DMD gene is to identify all Protospacer Adjacent Motif (PAM) sequences within the genetic region to be targeted. The target sequence must be immediately upstream of a PAM. Once all possible PAM sequences and putative target sites have been identified, the next step is to choose which site is likely to result in the most efficient on-target cleavage. The gRNA targeting sequence needs to match the target sequence, and the gRNA targeting sequence must not match additional sites within the genome. In preferred embodiments, the gRNA targeting sequence has perfect homology to the target with no homology elsewhere in the genome. In some embodiments, a given gRNA targeting sequence will have additional sites throughout the genome where partial homology exists. These sites are called “off-targets” and should be considered when designing a gRNA. In general, off-target sites are not cleaved as efficiently when mismatches occur near the PAM sequence, so gRNAs with no homology or those with mismatches close to the PAM sequence will have the highest specificity. In addition to “off-target activity”, factors that maximize cleavage of the desired target sequence (“on-target activity”) must be considered. It is known to those of skill in the art that two gRNA targeting sequences, each having 100% homology to the target DNA may not result in equivalent cleavage efficiency. In fact, cleavage efficiency may increase or decrease depending upon the specific nucleotides within the selected target sequence. Close examination of predicted on-target and off-target activity of each potential gRNA targeting sequence is necessary to design the best gRNA. Several gRNA design programs have been developed that are capable of locating potential PAM and target sequences and ranking the associated gRNAs based on their predicted on-target and off-target activity (e.g. CRISPRdirect, available at www.crispr.dbcls.jp).

The next step is to synthesize and clone desired gRNAs. Targeting oligos can be synthesized, annealed, and inserted into plasmids containing the gRNA scaffold using standard restriction-ligation cloning. However, the exact cloning strategy will depend on the gRNA vector that is chosen. The gRNAs for Cpf1 are notably simpler than the gRNAs for Cas9, and only consist of a single crRNA containing direct repeat scaffold sequence followed by approximately 24 nucleotides of guide sequence.

Each gRNA should then be validated in one or more target cell lines. For example, after the Cas9 or Cpf1 and the gRNA are delivered to the cell, the genomic target region may

be amplified using PCR and sequenced according to methods known to those of skill in the art.

In some embodiments, gene editing may be performed *in vitro* or *ex vivo*. In some embodiments, cells are contacted *in vitro* or *ex vivo* with a Cas9 or a Cpf1 and a gRNA that targets a dystrophin splice site. In some embodiments, the cells are contacted with one or more nucleic acids encoding the Cas9 or Cpf1 and the guide RNA. In some embodiments, the one or more nucleic acids are introduced into the cells using, for example, lipofection or electroporation. Gene editing may also be performed in *zygotes*. In embodiments, *zygotes* may be injected with one or more nucleic acids encoding Cas9 or Cpf1 and a gRNA that targets a dystrophin splice site. The *zygotes* may subsequently be injected into a host.

In embodiments, the Cas9 or Cpf1 is provided on a vector. In embodiments, the vector contains a Cas9 derived from *S. pyogenes* (SpCas9, SEQ ID NO. 872). In embodiments, the vector contains a Cas9 derived from *S. aureus* (SaCas9, SEQ ID NO. 873). In embodiments, the vector contains a Cpf1 sequence derived from a *Lachnospiraceae* bacterium. See, for example, Uniprot Accession No. A0A182DWE3; SEQ ID NO. 871. In embodiments, the vector contains a Cpf1 sequence derived from an *Acidaminococcus* bacterium. See, for example, Uniprot Accession No. U2UMQ6; SEQ ID NO. 870. In some embodiments, the Cas9 or Cpf1 sequence is codon optimized for expression in human cells or mouse cells. In some embodiments, the vector further contains a sequence encoding a fluorescent protein, such as GFP, which allows Cas9 or Cpf1-expressing cells to be sorted using fluorescence activated cell sorting (FACS). In some embodiments, the vector is a viral vector such as an adeno-associated viral vector.

In embodiments, the gRNA is provided on a vector. In some embodiments, the vector is a viral vector such as an adeno-associated viral vector. In embodiments, the Cas9 or Cpf1 and the guide RNA are provided on the same vector. In embodiments, the Cas9 or Cpf1 and the guide RNA are provided on different vectors.

In some embodiments, the cells are additionally contacted with a single-stranded DMD oligonucleotide to effect homology directed repair. In some embodiments, small INDELS restore the protein reading frame of dystrophin (“reframing” strategy). When the reframing strategy is used, the cells may be contacted with a single gRNA. In embodiments, a splice donor or splice acceptor site is disrupted, which results in exon skipping and restoration of the

protein reading frame (“exon skipping” strategy). When the exon skipping strategy is used, the cells may be contacted with two or more gRNAs.

Efficiency of in vitro or ex vivo Cas9 or Cpf1-mediated DNA cleavage may be assessed using techniques known to those of skill in the art, such as the T7 E1 assay. Restoration of
5 DMD expression may be confirmed using techniques known to those of skill in the art, such as RT-PCR, western blotting, and immunocytochemistry.

In some embodiments, in vitro or ex vivo gene editing is performed in a muscle or satellite cell. In some embodiments, gene editing is performed in iPSC or iCM cells. In
10 embodiments, the iPSC cells are differentiated after gene editing. For example, the iPSC cells may be differentiated into a muscle cell or a satellite cell after editing. In embodiments, the iPSC cells are differentiated into cardiac muscle cells, skeletal muscle cells, or smooth muscle cells. In embodiments, the iPSC cells are differentiated into cardiomyocytes. iPSC cells may be induced to differentiate according to methods known to those of skill in the art.

In some embodiments, contacting the cell with the Cas9 or the Cpf1 and the gRNA
15 restores dystrophin expression. In embodiments, cells which have been edited in vitro or ex vivo, or cells derived therefrom, show levels of dystrophin protein that is comparable to wildtype cells. In embodiments, the edited cells, or cells derived therefrom, express dystrophin at a level that is 50%, 60%, 70%, 80%, 90%, 95% or any percentage in between of wildtype dystrophin expression levels. In embodiments, the cells which have been edited in vitro or
20 ex vivo, or cells derived therefrom, have a mitochondrial number that is comparable to that of wildtype cells. In embodiments the edited cells, or cells derived therefrom, have 50%, 60%, 70%, 80%, 90%, 95% or any percentage in between as many mitochondria as wildtype cells. In embodiments, the edited cells, or cells derived therefrom, show an increase in oxygen consumption rate (OCR) compared to non-edited cells at baseline.

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Nucleic Acid Expression Vectors. As discussed above, in certain embodiments, expression cassettes are employed to express a transcription factor product, either for subsequent purification and delivery to a cell/subject, or for use directly in a genetic-based delivery approach. Provided herein are expression vectors which contain one or more nucleic acids
30 encoding Cas9 or Cpf1 and at least one DMD guide RNA that targets a dystrophin splice site. In some embodiments, a nucleic acid encoding Cas9 or Cpf1 and a nucleic acid encoding at least one guide RNA are provided on the same vector. In further embodiments, a nucleic acid

encoding Cas9 or Cpf1 and a nucleic acid encoding least one guide RNA are provided on separate vectors.

Expression requires that appropriate signals be provided in the vectors, and include various regulatory elements such as enhancers/promoters from both viral and mammalian sources that drive expression of the genes of interest in cells. Elements designed to optimize messenger RNA stability and translatability in host cells also are defined. The conditions for the use of a number of dominant drug selection markers for establishing permanent, stable cell clones expressing the products are also provided, as is an element that links expression of the drug selection markers to expression of the polypeptide.

Throughout this application, the term “expression cassette” is meant to include any type of genetic construct containing a nucleic acid coding for a gene product in which part or all of the nucleic acid encoding sequence is capable of being transcribed and translated, *i.e.*, is under the control of a promoter. A “promoter” refers to a DNA sequence recognized by the synthetic machinery of the cell, or introduced synthetic machinery, required to initiate the specific transcription of a gene. The phrase “under transcriptional control” means that the promoter is in the correct location and orientation in relation to the nucleic acid to control RNA polymerase initiation and expression of the gene. An “expression vector” is meant to include expression cassettes comprised in a genetic construct that is capable of replication, and thus including one or more of origins of replication, transcription termination signals, poly-A regions, selectable markers, and multipurpose cloning sites.

Regulatory Elements. The term promoter will be used here to refer to a group of transcriptional control modules that are clustered around the initiation site for RNA polymerase II. Much of the thinking about how promoters are organized derives from analyses of several viral promoters, including those for the HSV thymidine kinase (*tk*) and SV40 early transcription units. These studies, augmented by more recent work, have shown that promoters are composed of discrete functional modules, each consisting of approximately 7-20 bp of DNA, and containing one or more recognition sites for transcriptional activator or repressor proteins.

At least one module in each promoter functions to position the start site for RNA synthesis. The best known example of this is the TATA box, but in some promoters lacking a TATA box, such as the promoter for the mammalian terminal deoxynucleotidyl transferase

gene and the promoter for the SV40 late genes, a discrete element overlying the start site itself helps to fix the place of initiation.

RNA Polymerase and Pol III Promoters. In eukaryotes, RNA polymerase III (also
5 called Pol III) transcribes DNA to synthesize ribosomal 5S rRNA, tRNA and other small
RNAs. The genes transcribed by RNA Pol III fall in the category of “housekeeping” genes
whose expression is required in all cell types and most environmental conditions. Therefore,
the regulation of Pol III transcription is primarily tied to the regulation of cell growth and the
cell cycle, thus requiring fewer regulatory proteins than RNA polymerase II. Under stress
10 conditions however, the protein Maf1 represses Pol III activity.

In the process of transcription (by any polymerase) there are three main stages: (i)
initiation, requiring construction of the RNA polymerase complex on the gene's promoter; (ii)
elongation, the synthesis of the RNA transcript; and (iii) termination, the finishing of RNA
transcription and disassembly of the RNA polymerase complex.

15 Promoters under the control of RNA Pol III include those for ribosomal 5S rRNA,
tRNA and few other small RNAs such as U6 spliceosomal RNA, RNase P and RNase MRP
RNA, 7SL RNA (the RNA component of the signal recognition particles), Vault RNAs, Y
RNA, SINEs (short interspersed repetitive elements), 7SK RNA, two microRNAs, several
small nucleolar RNAs and several few regulatory antisense RNAs.

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Additional Promoters and Elements

In some embodiments, the Cas9 or Cpf1 constructs of the disclosure are expressed by
a muscle-cell specific promoter. This muscle-cell specific promoter may be constitutively
active or may be an inducible promoter.

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Additional promoter elements regulate the frequency of transcriptional initiation.
Typically, these are located in the region 30-110 bp upstream of the start site, although a
number of promoters have recently been shown to contain functional elements downstream of
the start site as well. The spacing between promoter elements frequently is flexible, so that
promoter function is preserved when elements are inverted or moved relative to one another.

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In the tk promoter, the spacing between promoter elements can be increased to 50 bp apart
before activity begins to decline. Depending on the promoter, it appears that individual
elements can function either co-operatively or independently to activate transcription.

In certain embodiments, viral promoters such as the human cytomegalovirus (CMV) immediate early gene promoter, the SV40 early promoter, the Rous sarcoma virus long terminal repeat, rat insulin promoter and glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase can be used to obtain high-level expression of the coding sequence of interest. The use of other viral or mammalian cellular or bacterial phage promoters which are well-known in the art to achieve expression of a coding sequence of interest is contemplated as well, provided that the levels of expression are sufficient for a given purpose. By employing a promoter with well-known properties, the level and pattern of expression of the protein of interest following transfection or transformation can be optimized. Further, selection of a promoter that is regulated in response to specific physiologic signals can permit inducible expression of the gene product.

Enhancers are genetic elements that increase transcription from a promoter located at a distant position on the same molecule of DNA. Enhancers are organized much like promoters. That is, they are composed of many individual elements, each of which binds to one or more transcriptional proteins. The basic distinction between enhancers and promoters is operational. An enhancer region as a whole must be able to stimulate transcription at a distance; this need not be true of a promoter region or its component elements. On the other hand, a promoter must have one or more elements that direct initiation of RNA synthesis at a particular site and in a particular orientation, whereas enhancers lack these specificities. Promoters and enhancers are often overlapping and contiguous, often seeming to have a very similar modular organization.

Below is a list of promoters/enhancers and inducible promoters/enhancers that could be used in combination with the nucleic acid encoding a gene of interest in an expression construct. Additionally, any promoter/enhancer combination (as per the Eukaryotic Promoter Data Base EPDB) could also be used to drive expression of the gene. Eukaryotic cells can support cytoplasmic transcription from certain bacterial promoters if the appropriate bacterial polymerase is provided, either as part of the delivery complex or as an additional genetic expression construct.

The promoter and/or enhancer may be, for example, immunoglobulin light chain, immunoglobulin heavy chain, T-cell receptor, HLA DQ α and/or DQ β , β -interferon, interleukin-2, interleukin-2 receptor, MHC class II 5, MHC class II HLA-Dra, β -Actin, muscle creatine kinase (MCK), prealbumin (transthyretin), elastase I, metallothionein (MTII), collagenase, albumin, α -fetoprotein, t-globin, β -globin, c-fos, c-HA-*ras*, insulin, neural cell

adhesion molecule (NCAM), α_1 -antitrypsin, H2B (TH2B) histone, mouse and/or type I collagen, glucose-regulated proteins (GRP94 and GRP78), rat growth hormone, human serum amyloid A (SAA), troponin I (TN I), platelet-derived growth factor (PDGF), Duchenne muscular dystrophy, SV40, polyoma, retroviruses, papilloma virus, hepatitis B virus, human
5 immunodeficiency virus, cytomegalovirus (CMV), and gibbon ape leukemia virus.

In some embodiments, inducible elements may be used. In some embodiments, the inducible element is, for example, MTII, MMTV (mouse mammary tumor virus), β -interferon, adenovirus 5 E2, collagenase, stromelysin, SV40, murine MX gene, GRP78 gene, α -2-macroglobulin, vimentin, MHC class I gene H-2kb, HSP70, proliferin, tumor necrosis factor,
10 and/or thyroid stimulating hormone α gene. In some embodiments, the inducer is phorbol ester (TFA), heavy metals, glucocorticoids, poly(rI)x, poly(rc), EIA, phorbol ester (TPA), interferon, Newcastle Disease Virus, A23187, IL-6, serum, interferon, SV40 large T antigen, PMA, and/or thyroid hormone. Any of the inducible elements described herein may be used with any of the inducers described herein.

Of particular interest are muscle specific promoters. These include the myosin light chain-2 promoter, the α -actin promoter, the troponin I promoter; the $\text{Na}^+/\text{Ca}^{2+}$ exchanger promoter, the dystrophin promoter, the $\alpha 7$ integrin promoter, the brain natriuretic peptide promoter and the α B-crystallin/small heat shock protein promoter, α -myosin heavy chain promoter and the ANF promoter. In some embodiments, the muscle specific promoter is the
20 CK8 promoter. The CK8 promoter has the following sequence (SEQ ID NO. 874):

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1   CTAGACTAGC ATGCTGCCCA TGTAAGGAGG CAAGGCCTGG GGACACCCGA GATGCCTGGT
61  TATAATTAAC CCAGACATGT GGCTGCCCCC CCCCCCCCAA CACCTGCTGC CTCTAAAAAT
121 AACCTGTCAT GCCATGTTCC CGGCGAAGGG CCAGCTGTCC CCCGCCAGCT AGACTCAGCA
181 CTTAGTTTAG GAACCAAGTGA GCAAGTCAGC CCTTGGGGCA GCCCATACAA GGCCATGGGG
25 241 CTGGGCAAGC TGCACGCCTG GGTCCGGGGT GGGCACGGTG CCCGGGCAAC GAGCTGAAAG
301 CTCATCTGCT CTCAGGGGCC CCTCCCTGGG GACAGCCCCT CCTGGCTAGT CACACCCTGT
361 AGGCTCCTCT ATATAACCCA GGGGCACAGG GGCTGCCCTC ATTCTACCAC CACCTCCACA
421 GCACAGACAG AACTCAGGA GCCAGCCAGC

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In some embodiments, the muscle-cell cell specific promoter is a variant of the CK8
30 promoter, called CK8e. The CK8e promoter has the following sequence (SEQ ID NO. 875):

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1   TGCCCATGTA AGGAGGCAAG GCCTGGGGAC ACCCGAGATG CCTGGTTATA ATTAACCCAG
61  ACATGTGGCT GCCCCCCCCC CCCCACACC TGCTGCCTCT AAAAATAACC CTGCATGCCA
121 TGTTCCCGC GAAGGGCCAG CTGTCCCCCG CCAGCTAGAC TCAGCACTTA GTTTAGGAAC
181 CAGTGAGCAA GTCAGCCCTT GGGGCAGCCC ATACAAGGCC ATGGGGCTGG GCAAGCTGCA
35 241 CGCTGGGTC CGGGGTGGGC ACGGTGCCCC GGCAACGAGC TGAAAGCTCA TCTGCTCTCA
301 GGGGCCCTC CCTGGGGACA GCCCTCCTG GCTAGTCACA CCCTGTAGGC TCCTCTATAT
361 AACCCAGGG CACAGGGGCT GCCCTCATTC TACCACCACC TCCACAGCAC AGACAGACAC
421 TCAGGAGCCA GCCAGC

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Where a cDNA insert is employed, one will typically desire to include a polyadenylation signal to effect proper polyadenylation of the gene transcript. Any polyadenylation sequence may be employed such as human growth hormone and SV40 polyadenylation signals. Also contemplated as an element of the expression cassette is a terminator. These elements can serve to enhance message levels and to minimize read through from the cassette into other sequences.

Therapeutic Compositions

AAV-Cas9 vectors

In some embodiments, a Cas9 may be packaged into an AAV vector. In some embodiments, the AAV vector is a wildtype AAV vector. In some embodiments, the AAV vector contains one or more mutations. In some embodiments, the AAV vector is isolated or derived from an AAV vector of serotype AAV1, AAV2, AAV3, AAV4, AAV5, AAV6, AAV7, AAV8, AAV9, AAV10, AAV11, AAV12, AAVRh74, AAV2i8, AAVRh10, AAV39, AAV43, AAVRh8, avian AAV, bovine AAV, canine AAV, equine AAV, and ovine AAV or any combination thereof.

Exemplary AAV-Cas9 vectors contain two ITR (inverted terminal repeat) sequences which flank a central sequence region comprising the Cas9 sequence. In some embodiments, the ITRs are isolated or derived from an AAV vector of serotype AAV1, AAV2, AAV3, AAV4, AAV5, AAV6, AAV7, AAV8, AAV9, AAV10, AAV11, AAV12, AAVRh74, AAV2i8, AAVRh10, AAV39, AAV43, AAVRh8, avian AAV, bovine AAV, canine AAV, equine AAV, and ovine AAV or any combination thereof. In some embodiments, the ITRs comprise or consist of full-length and/or wildtype sequences for an AAV serotype. In some embodiments, the ITRs comprise or consist of truncated sequences for an AAV serotype. In some embodiments, the ITRs comprise or consist of elongated sequences for an AAV serotype. In some embodiments, the ITRs comprise or consist of sequences comprising a sequence variation compared to a wildtype sequence for the same AAV serotype. In some embodiments, the sequence variation comprises one or more of a substitution, deletion, insertion, inversion, or transposition. In some embodiments, the ITRs comprise or consist of at least 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149 or 150 base pairs. In some embodiments, the ITRs

comprise or consist of 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149 or 150 base pairs. In some embodiments, the ITRs have a length of 110 ± 10 base pairs. In some
5 embodiments, the ITRs have a length of 120 ± 10 base pairs. In some embodiments, the ITRs have a length of 130 ± 10 base pairs. In some embodiments, the ITRs have a length of 140 ± 10 base pairs. In some embodiments, the ITRs have a length of 150 ± 10 base pairs. In some embodiments, the ITRs have a length of 115, 145, or 141 base pairs.

In some embodiments, the AAV-Cas9 vector may contain one or more nuclear
10 localization signals (NLS). In some embodiments, the AAV-Cas9 vector contains 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 nuclear localization signals. Exemplary NLS include the c-myc NLS (SEQ ID NO: 884), the SV40 NLS (SEQ ID NO: 885), the hnRNPAI M9 NLS (SEQ ID NO: 886), the nucleoplasmin NLS (SEQ ID NO: 887), the sequence RMRKFKNKGKDTAELRRRRVEVSVELRKAKKDEQILKRRNV (SEQ ID NO: 888) of
15 the IBB domain from importin-alpha, the sequences VSRKRPRP (SEQ ID NO: 889) and PPKKARED (SEQ ID NO: 890) of the myoma T protein, the sequence PPKKKKPL (SEQ ID NO: 891) of human p53, the sequence SALIKKKKMAP (SEQ ID NO: 892) of mouse c-abl IV, the sequences DRLRR (SEQ ID NO: 893) and KQKKRK (SEQ ID NO: 894) of the influenza virus NS1, the sequence RKLKKKIKKL (SEQ ID NO: 895) of the Hepatitis virus
20 delta antigen and the sequence REKKKFLKRR (SEQ ID NO: 896) of the mouse Mx1 protein. Further acceptable nuclear localization signals include bipartite nuclear localization sequences such as the sequence KRKGDEVDGVDEVAKKKSCK (SEQ ID NO: 897) of the human poly(ADP-ribose) polymerase or the sequence RKCLQAGMNLEARKTKK (SEQ ID NO: 898) of the steroid hormone receptors (human) glucocorticoid.

25 In some embodiments, the AAV-Cas9 vector may comprise additional elements to facilitate packaging of the vector and expression of the Cas9. In some embodiments, the AAV-Cas9 vector may comprise a polyA sequence. In some embodiments, the polyA sequence may be a mini-polyA sequence. In some embodiments, the AAV-Cas9 vector may comprise a transposable element. In some embodiments, the AAV-Cas9 vector may comprise a regulator
30 element. In some embodiments, the regulator element is an activator or a repressor.

In some embodiments, the AAV-Cas9 may contain one or more promoters. In some embodiments, the one or more promoters drive expression of the Cas9. In some embodiments, the one or more promoters are muscle-specific promoters. Exemplary muscle-specific promoters include myosin light chain-2 promoter, the α -actin promoter, the troponin 1

promoter, the Na⁺/Ca²⁺ exchanger promoter, the dystrophin promoter, the α 7 integrin promoter, the brain natriuretic peptide promoter, the α B-crystallin/small heat shock protein promoter, α -myosin heavy chain promoter, the ANF promoter, the CK8 promoter and the CK8e promoter.

5 In some embodiments, the AAV-Cas9 vector may be optimized for production in yeast, bacteria, insect cells, or mammalian cells. In some embodiments, the AAV-Cas9 vector may be optimized for expression in human cells. In some embodiments, the AAV-Cas9 vector may be optimized for expression in a baculovirus expression system.

10 **AAV-sgRNA Vectors**

In some embodiments, at least a first sequence encoding a gRNA and a second sequence encoding a gRNA may be packaged into an AAV vector. In some embodiments, at least a first sequence encoding a gRNA, a second sequence encoding a gRNA, and a third sequence encoding a gRNA may be packaged into an AAV vector. In some embodiments, at least a first
15 sequence encoding a gRNA, a second sequence encoding a gRNA, a third sequence encoding a gRNA, and a fourth sequence encoding a gRNA may be packaged into an AAV vector. In some embodiments, at least a first sequence encoding a gRNA, a second sequence encoding a gRNA, a third sequence encoding a gRNA, a fourth sequence encoding a gRNA, and a fifth
20 sequence encoding a gRNA may be packaged into an AAV vector. In some embodiments, a plurality of sequences encoding a gRNA are packaged into an AAV vector. For example, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, or 20 sequences encoding a gRNA may be packaged into an AAV vector. In some embodiments, each sequence encoding a gRNA is different. In some embodiments, at least 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17,
25 18, 19, or 20 of the sequences encoding a gRNA are the same. In some embodiments, all of the sequence encoding a gRNA are the same.

In some embodiments, the AAV vector is a wildtype AAV vector. In some embodiments, the AAV vector contains one or more mutations. In some embodiments, the AAV vector is isolated or derived from an AAV vector of serotype AAV1, AAV2, AAV3, AAV4, AAV5, AAV6, AAV7, AAV8, AAV9, AAV10, AAV11, AAV12, AAVRh74,
30 AAV2i8, AAVRh10, AAV39, AAV43, AAVRh8, avian AAV, bovine AAV, canine AAV, equine AAV, and ovine AAV or any combination thereof.

Exemplary AAV-sgRNA vectors contain two ITR (inverted terminal repeat) sequences which flank a central sequence region comprising the sgRNA sequences. In some

embodiments, the ITRs are isolated or derived from an AAV vector of serotype AAV1, AAV2, AAV3, AAV4, AAV5, AAV6, AAV7, AAV8, AAV9, AAV10, AAV11, AAV12, AAVRh74, AAV2i8, AAVRh10, AAV39, AAV43, AAVRh8, avian AAV, bovine AAV, canine AAV, equine AAV, and ovine AAV or any combination thereof. In some embodiments, the ITRs are isolated or derived from an AAV vector of a first serotype and a sequence encoding a capsid protein of the AAV-sgRNA vector is isolated or derived from an AAV vector of a second serotype. In some embodiments, the first serotype and the second serotype are the same. In some embodiments, the first serotype and the second serotype are not the same. In some embodiments, the first serotype is AAV1, AAV2, AAV3, AAV4, AAV5, AAV6, AAV7, AAV8, AAV9, AAV10, AAV11, AAV12, AAVRh74, AAV2i8, AAVRh10, AAV39, AAV43, AAVRh8, avian AAV, bovine AAV, canine AAV, equine AAV, and ovine AAV. In some embodiments, the second serotype is AAV1, AAV2, AAV3, AAV4, AAV5, AAV6, AAV7, AAV8, AAV9, AAV10, AAV11, AAV12, AAVRh74, AAV2i8, AAVRh10, AAV39, AAV43, AAVRh8, avian AAV, bovine AAV, canine AAV, equine AAV, and ovine AAV. In some embodiments, the first serotype is AAV2 and the second serotype is AAV1, AAV2, AAV3, AAV4, AAV5, AAV6, AAV7, AAV8, AAV9, AAV10, AAV11, AAV12, AAVRh74, AAV2i8, AAVRh10, AAV39, AAV43, AAVRh8, avian AAV, bovine AAV, canine AAV, equine AAV, and ovine AAV. In some embodiments, the first serotype is AAV2 and the second serotype is AAV9.

In some embodiments, a first ITR is isolated or derived from an AAV vector of a first serotype, a second ITR is isolated or derived from an AAV vector of a second serotype and a sequence encoding a capsid protein of the AAV-sgRNA vector is isolated or derived from an AAV vector of a third serotype. In some embodiments, the first serotype and the second serotype are the same. In some embodiments, the first serotype and the second serotype are not the same. In some embodiments, the first serotype, the second serotype, and the third serotype are the same. In some embodiments, the first serotype, the second serotype, and the third serotype are not the same. In some embodiments, the first serotype is AAV1, AAV2, AAV3, AAV4, AAV5, AAV6, AAV7, AAV8, AAV9, AAV10, AAV11, AAV12, AAVRh74, AAV2i8, AAVRh10, AAV39, AAV43, AAVRh8, avian AAV, bovine AAV, canine AAV, equine AAV, or ovine AAV. In some embodiments, the second serotype is AAV1, AAV2, AAV3, AAV4, AAV5, AAV6, AAV7, AAV8, AAV9, AAV10, AAV11, AAV12, AAVRh74, AAV2i8, AAVRh10, AAV39, AAV43, AAVRh8, avian AAV, bovine AAV, canine AAV, equine AAV, or ovine AAV. In some embodiments, the third serotype is AAV1, AAV2, AAV3, AAV4, AAV5, AAV6, AAV7, AAV8, AAV9, AAV10, AAV11, AAV12, AAVRh74,

AAV2i8, AAVRh10, AAV39, AAV43, AAVRh8, avian AAV, bovine AAV, canine AAV, equine AAV, or ovine AAV. In some embodiments, the first serotype is AAV2, the second serotype is AAV4 and the third serotype is AAV1, AAV2, AAV3, AAV4, AAV5, AAV6, AAV7, AAV8, AAV9, AAV10, or AAV11. In some embodiments, the first serotype is AAV2, the second serotype is AAV4 and the third serotype is AAV9. Exemplary AAV-sgRNA vectors contain two ITR (inverted terminal repeat) sequences which flank a central sequence region comprising the sgRNA sequences. In some embodiments, the ITRs are isolated or derived from an AAV vector of serotype AAV1, AAV2, AAV3, AAV4, AAV5, AAV6, AAV7, AAV8, AAV9, AAV10, AAV11, AAV12, AAVRh74, AAV2i8, AAVRh10, AAV39, AAV43, AAVRh8, avian AAV, bovine AAV, canine AAV, equine AAV, ovine AAV or any combination thereof. In some embodiments, the ITRs comprise or consist of full-length and/or wildtype sequences for an AAV serotype. In some embodiments, the ITRs comprise or consist of truncated sequences for an AAV serotype. In some embodiments, the ITRs comprise or consist of elongated sequences for an AAV serotype. In some embodiments, the ITRs comprise or consist of sequences comprising a sequence variation compared to a wildtype sequence for the same AAV serotype. In some embodiments, the sequence variation comprises one or more of a substitution, deletion, insertion, inversion, or transposition. In some embodiments, the ITRs comprise or consist of at least 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149 or 150 base pairs. In some embodiments, the ITRs comprise or consist of 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149 or 150 base pairs. In some embodiments, the ITRs have a length of 110 ± 10 base pairs. In some embodiments, the ITRs have a length of 120 ± 10 base pairs. In some embodiments, the ITRs have a length of 130 ± 10 base pairs. In some embodiments, the ITRs have a length of 140 ± 10 base pairs. In some embodiments, the ITRs have a length of 150 ± 10 base pairs. In some embodiments, the ITRs have a length of 115, 145, or 141 base pairs.

In some embodiments, the AAV-sgRNA vector may comprise additional elements to facilitate packaging of the vector and expression of the sgRNA. In some embodiments, the AAV-sgRNA vector may comprise a transposable element. In some embodiments, the AAV-sgRNA vector may comprise a regulatory element. In some embodiments, the regulatory element comprises an activator or a repressor. In some embodiments, the AAV-sgRNA

sequence may comprise a non-functional or “stuffer” sequence. Exemplary stuffer sequences of the disclosure may have some (a non-zero percentage of) identity or homology to a genomic sequence of a mammal (including a human). Alternatively, exemplary stuffer sequences of the disclosure may have no identity or homology to a genomic sequence of a mammal (including a human). Exemplary stuffer sequences of the disclosure may comprise or consist of naturally occurring non-coding sequences or sequences that are neither transcribed nor translated following administration of the AAV vector to a subject.

In some embodiments, the AAV-sgRNA vector may be optimized for production in yeast, bacteria, insect cells, or mammalian cells. In some embodiments, the AAV-sgRNA vector may be optimized for expression in human cells. In some embodiments, the AAV-Cas9 vector may be optimized for expression in a baculovirus expression system.

In some embodiments, the AAV-sgRNA vector comprises at least one promoter. In some embodiments, the AAV-sgRNA vector comprises at least two promoters. In some embodiments, the AAV-sgRNA vector comprises at least three promoters. In some embodiments, the AAV-sgRNA vector comprises at least four promoters. In some embodiments, the AAV-sgRNA vector comprises at least five promoters. Exemplary promoters include, for example, immunoglobulin light chain, immunoglobulin heavy chain, T-cell receptor, HLA DQ α and/or DQ β , β -interferon, interleukin-2, interleukin-2 receptor, MHC class II 5, MHC class II HLA-Dra, β -Actin, muscle creatine kinase (MCK), prealbumin (transthyretin), elastase I, metallothionein (MTII), collagenase, albumin, α -fetoprotein, t-globin, β -globin, c-fos, c-HA-*ras*, insulin, neural cell adhesion molecule (NCAM), α ₁-antitrypsin, H2B (TH2B) histone, mouse and/or type I collagen, glucose-regulated proteins (GRP94 and GRP78), rat growth hormone, human serum amyloid A (SAA), troponin I (TN I), platelet-derived growth factor (PDGF), duchenne muscular dystrophy, SV40, polyoma, retroviruses, papilloma virus, hepatitis B virus, human immunodeficiency virus, cytomegalovirus (CMV), and gibbon ape leukemia virus. Further exemplary promoters include the U6 promoter, the H1 promoter, and the 7SK promoter.

In some embodiments, the sequence encoding the gRNA or the genomic target sequence comprises a sequence selected from SEQ ID NOs. 60-705, 712-862, and 947-2377.

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Pharmaceutical Compositions and Delivery Methods

Also provided herein are compositions comprising one or more vectors and/or nucleic acids of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the composition further comprises a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

5 For clinical applications, pharmaceutical compositions are prepared in a form appropriate for the intended application. Generally, this entails preparing compositions that are essentially free of pyrogens, as well as other impurities that could be harmful to humans or animals.

Appropriate salts and buffers are used to render drugs, proteins or delivery vectors
10 stable and allow for uptake by target cells. Aqueous compositions of the present disclosure comprise an effective amount of the drug, vector or proteins, dissolved or dispersed in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or aqueous medium. The phrase “pharmaceutically or pharmacologically acceptable” refer to molecular entities and compositions that do not produce adverse, allergic, or other untoward reactions when administered to an animal or a human. As
15 used herein, “pharmaceutically acceptable carrier” includes solvents, buffers, solutions, dispersion media, coatings, antibacterial and antifungal agents, isotonic and absorption delaying agents and the like acceptable for use in formulating pharmaceuticals, such as pharmaceuticals suitable for administration to humans. The use of such media and agents for pharmaceutically active substances is well known in the art. Any conventional media or agent
20 that is not incompatible with the active ingredients of the present disclosure, its use in therapeutic compositions may be used. Supplementary active ingredients also can be incorporated into the compositions, provided they do not inactivate the vectors or cells of the compositions.

In some embodiments, the active compositions of the present disclosure may include
25 classic pharmaceutical preparations. Administration of these compositions according to the present disclosure may be via any common route so long as the target tissue is available via that route, but generally including systemic administration. This includes oral, nasal, or buccal. Alternatively, administration may be by intradermal, subcutaneous, intramuscular, intraperitoneal or intravenous injection, or by direct injection into muscle tissue. Such
30 compositions would normally be administered as pharmaceutically acceptable compositions, as described *supra*.

The active compounds may also be administered parenterally or intraperitoneally. By way of illustration, solutions of the active compounds as free base or pharmacologically acceptable salts can be prepared in water suitably mixed with a surfactant, such as hydroxypropylcellulose. Dispersions can also be prepared in glycerol, liquid polyethylene glycols, and mixtures thereof and in oils. Under ordinary conditions of storage and use, these preparations generally contain a preservative to prevent the growth of microorganisms.

The pharmaceutical forms suitable for injectable use include, for example, sterile aqueous solutions or dispersions and sterile powders for the extemporaneous preparation of sterile injectable solutions or dispersions. Generally, these preparations are sterile and fluid to the extent that easy injectability exists. Preparations should be stable under the conditions of manufacture and storage and should be preserved against the contaminating action of microorganisms, such as bacteria and fungi. Appropriate solvents or dispersion media may contain, for example, water, ethanol, polyol (for example, glycerol, propylene glycol, and liquid polyethylene glycol, and the like), suitable mixtures thereof, and vegetable oils. The proper fluidity can be maintained, for example, by the use of a coating, such as lecithin, by the maintenance of the required particle size in the case of dispersion and by the use of surfactants. The prevention of the action of microorganisms can be brought about by various antibacterial and antifungal agents, for example, parabens, chlorobutanol, phenol, sorbic acid, thimerosal, and the like. In many cases, it will be preferable to include isotonic agents, for example, sugars or sodium chloride. Prolonged absorption of the injectable compositions can be brought about by the use in the compositions of agents delaying absorption, for example, aluminum monostearate and gelatin.

Sterile injectable solutions may be prepared by incorporating the active compounds in an appropriate amount into a solvent along with any other ingredients (for example as enumerated above) as desired, followed by filtered sterilization. Generally, dispersions are prepared by incorporating the various sterilized active ingredients into a sterile vehicle which contains the basic dispersion medium and the desired other ingredients, *e.g.*, as enumerated above. In the case of sterile powders for the preparation of sterile injectable solutions, the preferred methods of preparation include vacuum-drying and freeze-drying techniques which yield a powder of the active ingredient(s) plus any additional desired ingredient from a previously sterile-filtered solution thereof.

In some embodiments, the compositions of the present disclosure are formulated in a neutral or salt form. Pharmaceutically-acceptable salts include, for example, acid addition salts (formed with the free amino groups of the protein) derived from inorganic acids (*e.g.*, hydrochloric or phosphoric acids, or from organic acids (*e.g.*, acetic, oxalic, tartaric, mandelic, and the like. Salts formed with the free carboxyl groups of the protein can also be derived from inorganic bases (*e.g.*, sodium, potassium, ammonium, calcium, or ferric hydroxides) or from organic bases (*e.g.*, isopropylamine, trimethylamine, histidine, procaine) and the like.

Upon formulation, solutions are preferably administered in a manner compatible with the dosage formulation and in such amount as is therapeutically effective. The formulations may easily be administered in a variety of dosage forms such as injectable solutions, drug release capsules and the like. For parenteral administration in an aqueous solution, for example, the solution generally is suitably buffered and the liquid diluent first rendered isotonic for example with sufficient saline or glucose. Such aqueous solutions may be used, for example, for intravenous, intramuscular, subcutaneous and intraperitoneal administration. Preferably, sterile aqueous media are employed as is known to those of skill in the art, particularly in light of the present disclosure. By way of illustration, a single dose may be dissolved in 1 ml of isotonic NaCl solution and either added to 1000 ml of hypodermoclysis fluid or injected at the proposed site of infusion, (see for example, "Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences" 15th Edition, pages 1035-1038 and 1570-1580). Some variation in dosage will necessarily occur depending on the condition of the subject being treated. The person responsible for administration will, in any event, determine the appropriate dose for the individual subject. Moreover, for human administration, preparations should meet sterility, pyrogenicity, general safety and purity standards as required by FDA Office of Biologics standards.

In some embodiments, the Cas9 or Cpf1 and gRNAs described herein may be delivered to the patient using adoptive cell transfer (ACT). In adoptive cell transfer, one or more expression constructs are provided *ex vivo* to cells which have originated from the patient (autologous) or from one or more individual(s) other than the patient (allogeneic). The cells are subsequently introduced or reintroduced into the patient. Thus, in some embodiments, one or more nucleic acids encoding Cas9 or Cpf1 and a guide RNA that targets a dystrophin splice site are provided to a cell *ex vivo* before the cell is introduced or reintroduced to a patient.

Cells and Cell Compositions

Also provided is a cell comprising one or more nucleic acids of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the cell is a human cell. In some embodiments, the cell is a muscle cell or satellite cell. In some embodiments, the cell is an induced pluripotent stem (iPS) cell. In some embodiments, the cell is a cardiomyocyte. In some embodiments, the cell (e.g., a cardiomyocyte) is derived from an iPS cell.

Also provided is a cell comprising a composition comprising one or more vectors of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the cell is a human cell. In some embodiments, the cell is a muscle cell or satellite cell. In some embodiments, the cell is an induced pluripotent stem (iPS) cell. In some embodiments, the cell is a cardiomyocyte. In some embodiments, the cell (e.g., a cardiomyocyte) is derived from an iPS cell.

Also provided is a cell produced by one or more methods of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the cell is a human cell. In some embodiments, the cell is a muscle cell or satellite cell. In some embodiments, the cell is an induced pluripotent stem (iPS) cell. In some embodiments, the cell is a cardiomyocyte. In some embodiments, the cell (e.g., a cardiomyocyte) is derived from an iPS cell.

Also provided is a composition comprising a cell comprising one or more nucleic acids of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the composition further comprises a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Therapeutic Methods and Uses

The disclosure also provides methods for editing a dystrophin gene, such as a mutant dystrophin gene, in a cell. In some embodiments, the cell is a human cell. In some embodiments, the cell is a muscle cell or satellite cell. In some embodiments, the cell is an induced pluripotent stem (iPS) cell. In some embodiments, the cell is a cardiomyocyte. In some embodiments, the cell (e.g., a cardiomyocyte) is derived from an iPS cell.

In some embodiments, the disclosure provides a method for editing a mutant dystrophin gene in a cardiomyocyte, the method comprising contacting the cardiomyocyte with a Cas9 nuclease, or a sequence encoding a Cas9 nuclease, and a gRNA, or a sequence encoding a gRNA, wherein the gRNA targets a splice donor or splice acceptor site of the dystrophin gene. The mutant dystrophin gene may comprise one or more mutations, such as a point mutation (e.g., a pseudo-exon mutation), a deletion, and/or a duplication mutation. A deletion may be a deletion of at least 20, at least 50, at least 100, at least 500, at least 1000, at least 3000

nucleotides, at least 5000 nucleotides or at least 10,000 nucleotides. In some embodiments, the deletion comprises a deletion of one or more exons, one or more introns, or at least a portion of one intron and one exon.

In some embodiments, the disclosure provides a method for treating or preventing
5 Duchene Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) in a subject in need thereof, the method comprising
administering to the subject a Cas9 nuclease, or a sequence encoding a Cas9 nuclease, and a
gRNA, or a sequence encoding a gRNA, wherein the gRNA targets a splice donor or splice
acceptor site of the dystrophin gene, wherein the administering restores dystrophin expression
10 restores dystrophin expression in at least 20%, at least 30%, at least 40%, at least 50%, at least
60%, at least 70%, at least 80%, at least 90%, or at least 95% of the subject's cardiomyocytes.
The average human heart has approximately 2 to 3 billion cardiomyocytes. Accordingly, in
some embodiments, the administering restores dystrophin expression in at least 2×10^8 , at least
 3×10^8 , at least 4×10^8 , at least 5×10^8 , at least 6×10^8 , at least 7×10^8 , at least 8×10^8 , at least
15 9×10^8 , at least 10×10^8 , at least 11×10^8 , at least 12×10^8 , at least 13×10^8 , at least 14×10^8 ,
at least 15×10^8 , at least 16×10^8 , at least 17×10^8 , at least 18×10^8 , at least 19×10^8 , at least
 20×10^8 , at least 21×10^8 , at least 22×10^8 , at least 23×10^8 , at least 24×10^8 , at least 25×10^8 ,
at least 26×10^8 , at least 27×10^8 , at least 28×10^8 , at least 29×10^8 , at least 30×10^8 of the
subject's cardiomyocytes. In some embodiments, the subject suffers from dilated
20 cardiomyopathy. In some embodiments, the administering at least partially rescues cardiac
contractility, or completely rescues cardiac contractility.

In some embodiments, a method for treating or preventing Duchene Muscular
Dystrophy (DMD) in a subject in need thereof, is provided, the method comprising contacting
an induced pluripotent stem cell (iPSC) with a Cas9 nuclease or a sequence encoding a Cas9
25 nuclease, and a gRNA or a sequence encoding a gRNA, wherein the gRNA targets a splice
donor or splice acceptor site of the dystrophin gene; differentiating the iPSC into a
cardiomyocyte; and administering the cardiomyocyte to the subject. In some embodiments, at
least 1×10^3 , at least 1×10^4 , at least 1×10^5 , at least 1×10^6 , at least 1×10^7 or at least 1×10^8
cardiomyocytes are administered to the patient.

30 The gRNA may target, for example a splice donor or splice acceptor site of exon 51,
45, 53, 44, 46, 52, 50, 43, 6, 7, 8, or 55 of the cardiomyocyte dystrophin gene. In some
embodiments, the gRNA or the genomic targeting sequence has a sequence of any one of SEQ
ID NOs. 60-705, 712-862, 947-2377. The cas9 nuclease may be isolated or derived from, for
example, a *S. pyogenes* (spCas9) or a *S. aureus* cas9 (saCas9).

In some embodiments, a vector comprising the gRNA, or a sequence encoding the gRNA, is contacted with the cardiomyocyte. The vector may be, for example, non-viral vector such as a plasmid or a nanoparticle. In some embodiments, the vector may be a viral vector, such as an adeno-associated viral (AAV) vector. In some embodiments, the AAV vector is
5 selected from AAV1, AAV2, AAV3, AAV4, AAV5, AAV6, AAV7, AAV8, AAV9, AAV10, AAV11, AAV12, AAVRh74, AAV2i8, AAVRh10, AAV39, AAV43, AAVRh8, avian AAV, bovine AAV, canine AAV, equine AAV, and ovine AAV.

In some embodiments, a single vector comprising the Cas9 nuclease, or a sequence encoding the Cas9 nuclease, and the gRNA, or a sequence encoding the gRNA, are contacted
10 with the cardiomyocyte. In other embodiments, a first vector comprising the Cas9 nuclease, or a sequence encoding the Cas9 nuclease, and a second vector comprising the gRNA or a sequence encoding the gRNA, are contacted with the cardiomyocyte. The first and second vector may be the same or may be different. For example, the first vector and the second vector may both be AAVs, or the first vector may be an AAV and the second vector may be a plasmid.

Also provided is a method for correcting a dystrophin defect, the method comprising
15 contacting a cell with one or more compositions of the disclosure under conditions suitable for expression of the guide RNA, the Cas9 protein or a nuclease domain thereof, wherein the guide RNA forms a complex with the Cas9 protein or the nuclease domain thereof to form at least one guide RNA-Cas9 complex, wherein the at least one guide RNA-Cas9 complex disrupts a
20 dystrophin splice site and induces selective skipping of a DMD exon and/or reframing. In some embodiments, the at least one guide RNA-Cas9 complex disrupts a dystrophin splice site and induces a reframing of a dystrophin reading frame. In some embodiments, the at least one guide RNA-Cas9 complex disrupts a dystrophin splice site and produces an insertion which restores the dystrophin protein reading frame. In some embodiments, the insertion comprises
25 an insertion of a single adenosine.

Also provided is a method for inducing selective skipping and/or reframing of a DMD
exon, the method comprising contacting a cell with one or more compositions of the disclosure under conditions suitable for expression of the guide RNA and the Cas9 protein or a nuclease domain thereof, wherein the guide RNA and the second guide RNA form a complex with the
30 Cas9 protein or the nuclease domain thereof to form at least one guide RNA-Cas9 complex, wherein the at least one guide RNA-Cas9 complex disrupts a dystrophin splice site and induces selective skipping and/or reframing of a DMD exon.

Also provided is a method for inducing a reframing event in the dystrophin reading frame, the method comprising contacting a cell with one or more compositions of the disclosure

under conditions suitable for expression of the guide RNA and the Cas9 protein or a nuclease domain thereof, wherein the guide RNA forms a complex with the Cas9 protein or the nuclease domain thereof to form at least one guide RNA-Cas9 complex, wherein the guide RNA-Cas9 complex disrupts a dystrophin splice site and induces selective skipping and/or reframing of a DMD exon. In some embodiments, the at least one guide RNA-Cas9 complex disrupts a dystrophin splice site and induces selective skipping and/or reframing of exon 51 of a human DMD gene.

Also provided is a method of treating or preventing muscular dystrophy in a subject in need thereof comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of one or more compositions of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the composition is administered locally. In some embodiments, the composition is administered directly to a muscle tissue. In some embodiments, the composition is administered by an intramuscular infusion or injection. In some embodiments, the muscle tissue comprises a tibialis anterior tissue, a quadriceps tissue, a soleus tissue, a diaphragm tissue, or a heart tissue. In some embodiments, the composition is administered by an intra-cardiac injection. In some embodiments, the composition is administered systemically. In some embodiments, the composition is administered by an intravenous infusion or injection. In some embodiments, following administration of the composition, the subject exhibits normal dystrophin-positive myofibers, and mosaic dystrophin-positive myofibers containing centralized nuclei, or a combination thereof. In some embodiments, following administration of the composition, the subject exhibits an emergence or an increase in a level of abundance of normal dystrophin-positive myofibers when compared to an absence or a level of abundance of normal dystrophin-positive myofibers prior to administration of the composition. In some embodiments, following administration of the composition, the subject exhibits an emergence or an increase in a level of abundance of mosaic dystrophin-positive myofibers containing centralized nuclei when compared to an absence or an level of abundance of mosaic dystrophin-positive myofibers containing centralized nuclei prior to administration of the composition. In some embodiments, following administration of the composition, the subject exhibits a decreased serum CK level when compared to a serum CK level prior to administration of the composition. In some embodiment, following administration of the composition, the subject exhibits improved grip strength when compared to a grip strength prior to administration of the composition. In some embodiments, the subject is a neonate, an infant, a child, a young adult, or an adult. In some embodiments, the subject has muscular dystrophy. In some embodiments, the subject is a genetic carrier for muscular dystrophy. In some embodiments, the subject is male. In some embodiments, the subject is

female. In some embodiments, the subject appears to be asymptomatic and a genetic diagnosis reveals a mutation in one or both copies of a *DMD* gene that impairs function of the *DMD* gene product. In some embodiments, the subject presents an early sign or symptom of muscular dystrophy. In some embodiments, the early sign or symptom of muscular dystrophy comprises
5 loss of muscle mass or proximal muscle weakness. In some embodiments, the loss of muscle mass or proximal muscle weakness occurs in one or both leg(s) and/or a pelvis, followed by one or more upper body muscle(s). In some embodiments, the early sign or symptom of muscular dystrophy further comprises pseudohypertrophy, low endurance, difficulty standing, difficulty walking, difficulty ascending a staircase or a combination thereof. In some
10 embodiments, the subject presents a progressive sign or symptom of muscular dystrophy. In some embodiments, the progressive sign or symptom of muscular dystrophy comprises muscle tissue wasting, replacement of muscle tissue with fat, or replacement of muscle tissue with fibrotic tissue. In some embodiments, the subject presents a later sign or symptom of muscular dystrophy. In some embodiments, the later sign or symptom of muscular dystrophy comprises
15 abnormal bone development, curvature of the spine, loss of movement, and paralysis. In some embodiments, the subject presents a neurological sign or symptom of muscular dystrophy. In some embodiments, the neurological sign or symptom of muscular dystrophy comprises intellectual impairment and paralysis. In some embodiments, administration of the composition occurs prior to the subject presenting one or more progressive, later or
20 neurological signs or symptoms of muscular dystrophy. In some embodiments, the subject greater than 18 years old, greater than 25 years old, or greater than 30 years old. In some embodiments, the subject is less than 18 years old, less than 16 years old, less than 12 years old, less than 10 years old, less than 5 years old, or less than 2 years old. Also provided is the use of a therapeutically-effective amount of one or more compositions of the disclosure for
25 treating muscular dystrophy in a subject in need thereof.

Delivery Vectors

There are a number of ways in which expression vectors may be introduced into cells. In certain embodiments, the expression construct comprises a virus or engineered construct
30 derived from a viral genome. The ability of certain viruses to enter cells via receptor-mediated endocytosis, to integrate into host cell genome and express viral genes stably and efficiently have made them attractive candidates for the transfer of foreign genes into mammalian cells. These have a relatively low capacity for foreign DNA sequences and have a restricted host spectrum. Furthermore, their oncogenic potential and cytopathic effects in permissive cells

raise safety concerns. They can accommodate only up to 8 kB of foreign genetic material but can be readily introduced in a variety of cell lines and laboratory animals.

One of the preferred methods for *in vivo* delivery involves the use of an adenovirus expression vector. “Adenovirus expression vector” is meant to include those constructs
5 containing adenovirus sequences sufficient to (a) support packaging of the construct and (b) to express an antisense polynucleotide that has been cloned therein. In this context, expression does not require that the gene product be synthesized.

The expression vector comprises a genetically engineered form of adenovirus. Knowledge of the genetic organization of adenovirus, a 36 kB, linear, double-stranded DNA
10 virus, allows substitution of large pieces of adenoviral DNA with foreign sequences up to 7 kB. In contrast to retrovirus, the adenoviral infection of host cells does not result in chromosomal integration because adenoviral DNA can replicate in an episomal manner without potential genotoxicity. Also, adenoviruses are structurally stable, and no genome rearrangement has been detected after extensive amplification. Adenovirus can infect virtually
15 all epithelial cells regardless of their cell cycle stage. So far, adenoviral infection appears to be linked only to mild disease such as acute respiratory disease in humans.

Adenovirus is particularly suitable for use as a gene transfer vector because of its mid-sized genome, ease of manipulation, high titer, wide target cell range and high infectivity. Both
20 ends of the viral genome contain 100-200 base pair inverted repeats (ITRs), which are *cis* elements necessary for viral DNA replication and packaging. The early (E) and late (L) regions of the genome contain different transcription units that are divided by the onset of viral DNA replication. The E1 region (E1A and E1B) encodes proteins responsible for the regulation of transcription of the viral genome and a few cellular genes. The expression of the E2 region (E2A and E2B) results in the synthesis of the proteins for viral DNA replication. These proteins
25 are involved in DNA replication, late gene expression and host cell shut-off. The products of the late genes, including the majority of the viral capsid proteins, are expressed only after significant processing of a single primary transcript issued by the major late promoter (MLP). The MLP, (located at 16.8 m.u.) is particularly efficient during the late phase of infection, and all the mRNAs issued from this promoter possess a 5'-tripartite leader (TPL) sequence which
30 makes them preferred mRNAs for translation. In one system, recombinant adenovirus is generated from homologous recombination between shuttle vector and provirus vector. Due to the possible recombination between two proviral vectors, wild-type adenovirus may be

generated from this process. Therefore, it is critical to isolate a single clone of virus from an individual plaque and examine its genomic structure.

Generation and propagation of the current adenovirus vectors, which are replication deficient, depend on a unique helper cell line, designated 293, which was transformed from human embryonic kidney cells by Ad5 DNA fragments and constitutively expresses E1
5 proteins. Since the E3 region is dispensable from the adenovirus genome, the current adenovirus vectors, with the help of 293 cells, carry foreign DNA in either the E1, the D3 or both regions. In nature, adenovirus can package approximately 105% of the wild-type genome, providing capacity for about 2 extra kb of DNA. Combined with the approximately 5.5 kb of
10 DNA that is replaceable in the E1 and E3 regions, the maximum capacity of the current adenovirus vector is under 7.5 kb, or about 15% of the total length of the vector. More than 80% of the adenovirus viral genome remains in the vector backbone and is the source of vector-borne cytotoxicity. Also, the replication deficiency of the E1-deleted virus is incomplete.

Helper cell lines may be derived from human cells such as human embryonic kidney
15 cells, muscle cells, hematopoietic cells or other human embryonic mesenchymal or epithelial cells. Alternatively, the helper cells may be derived from the cells of other mammalian species that are permissive for human adenovirus. Such cells include, *e.g.*, Vero cells or other monkey embryonic mesenchymal or epithelial cells. As stated above, the preferred helper cell line is 293.

20 Improved methods for culturing 293 cells and propagating adenovirus are known in the art. In one format, natural cell aggregates are grown by inoculating individual cells into 1 liter siliconized spinner flasks (Techne, Cambridge, UK) containing 100-200 ml of medium. Following stirring at 40 rpm, the cell viability is estimated with trypan blue. In another format, Fibra-Cel microcarriers (Bibby Sterlin, Stone, UK) (5 g/l) is employed as follows. A cell
25 inoculum, resuspended in 5 ml of medium, is added to the carrier (50 ml) in a 250 ml Erlenmeyer flask and left stationary, with occasional agitation, for 1 to 4 h. The medium is then replaced with 50 ml of fresh medium and shaking initiated. For virus production, cells are allowed to grow to about 80% confluence, after which time the medium is replaced (to 25% of the final volume) and adenovirus added at an MOI of 0.05. Cultures are left stationary
30 overnight, following which the volume is increased to 100% and shaking commenced for another 72 h.

The adenoviruses of the disclosure are replication defective, or at least conditionally replication defective. The adenovirus may be of any of the 42 different known serotypes or subgroups A-F. Adenovirus type 5 of subgroup C is the preferred starting material in order to obtain the conditional replication-defective adenovirus vector for use in the present disclosure.

5 As stated above, the typical vector according to the present disclosure is replication defective and will not have an adenovirus E1 region. Thus, it will be most convenient to introduce the polynucleotide encoding the gene of interest at the position from which the E1-coding sequences have been removed. However, the position of insertion of the construct within the adenovirus sequences is not critical. The polynucleotide encoding the gene of
10 interest may also be inserted in lieu of the deleted E3 region in E3 replacement vectors, or in the E4 region where a helper cell line or helper virus complements the E4 defect.

Adenovirus is easy to grow and manipulate and exhibits broad host range *in vitro* and *in vivo*. This group of viruses can be obtained in high titers, *e.g.*, 10^9 - 10^{12} plaque-forming units per ml, and they are highly infective. The life cycle of adenovirus does not require integration
15 into the host cell genome. The foreign genes delivered by adenovirus vectors are episomal and, therefore, have low genotoxicity to host cells. No side effects have been reported in studies of vaccination with wild-type adenovirus, demonstrating their safety and therapeutic potential as *in vivo* gene transfer vectors.

Adenovirus vectors have been used in eukaryotic gene expression and vaccine
20 development. Animal studies suggested that recombinant adenovirus could be used for gene therapy. Studies in administering recombinant adenovirus to different tissues include trachea instillation, muscle injection, peripheral intravenous injections and stereotactic inoculation into the brain.

The retroviruses are a group of single-stranded RNA viruses characterized by an ability
25 to convert their RNA to double-stranded DNA in infected cells by a process of reverse-transcription. The resulting DNA then stably integrates into cellular chromosomes as a provirus and directs synthesis of viral proteins. The integration results in the retention of the viral gene sequences in the recipient cell and its descendants. The retroviral genome contains three genes, *gag*, *pol*, and *env* that code for capsid proteins, polymerase enzyme, and envelope
30 components, respectively. A sequence found upstream from the *gag* gene contains a signal for packaging of the genome into virions. Two long terminal repeat (LTR) sequences are present

at the 5' and 3' ends of the viral genome. These contain strong promoter and enhancer sequences and are also required for integration in the host cell genome.

In order to construct a retroviral vector, a nucleic acid encoding a gene of interest is inserted into the viral genome in the place of certain viral sequences to produce a virus that is replication-defective. In order to produce virions, a packaging cell line containing the gag, pol, and env genes but without the LTR and packaging components is constructed. When a recombinant plasmid containing a cDNA, together with the retroviral LTR and packaging sequences is introduced into this cell line (by calcium phosphate precipitation for example), the packaging sequence allows the RNA transcript of the recombinant plasmid to be packaged into viral particles, which are then secreted into the culture media. The media containing the recombinant retroviruses is then collected, optionally concentrated, and used for gene transfer. Retroviral vectors are able to infect a broad variety of cell types. However, integration and stable expression require the division of host cells.

A novel approach designed to allow specific targeting of retrovirus vectors was recently developed based on the chemical modification of a retrovirus by the chemical addition of lactose residues to the viral envelope. This modification could permit the specific infection of hepatocytes via sialoglycoprotein receptors.

A different approach to targeting of recombinant retroviruses may be used, in which biotinylated antibodies against a retroviral envelope protein and against a specific cell receptor are used. The antibodies are coupled via the biotin components by using streptavidin. Using antibodies against major histocompatibility complex class I and class II antigens, it has been demonstrated the infection of a variety of human cells that bore those surface antigens with an ecotropic virus *in vitro*.

There are certain limitations to the use of retrovirus vectors in all aspects of the present disclosure. For example, retrovirus vectors usually integrate into random sites in the cell genome. This can lead to insertional mutagenesis through the interruption of host genes or through the insertion of viral regulatory sequences that can interfere with the function of flanking genes. Another concern with the use of defective retrovirus vectors is the potential appearance of wild-type replication-competent virus in the packaging cells. This can result from recombination events in which the intact-sequence from the recombinant virus inserts upstream from the gag, pol, env sequence integrated in the host cell genome. However, new

packaging cell lines are now available that should greatly decrease the likelihood of recombination (see, for example, Markowitz *et al.*, 1988; Hersdorffer *et al.*, 1990).

Other viral vectors may be employed as expression constructs in the present disclosure. Vectors derived from viruses such as vaccinia virus adeno-associated virus (AAV) and herpesviruses may be employed. They offer several attractive features for various mammalian cells.

In embodiments, the AAV vector is replication-defective or conditionally replication defective. In embodiments, the AAV vector is a recombinant AAV vector. In some embodiments, the AAV vector comprises a sequence isolated or derived from an AAV vector of serotype AAV1, AAV2, AAV3, AAV4, AAV5, AAV6, AAV7, AAV8, AAV9, AAV10, AAV11, AAV12, AAVRh74, AAV2i8, AAVRh10, AAV39, AAV43, AAVRh8, avian AAV, bovine AAV, canine AAV, equine AAV, or ovine AAV or any combination thereof.

In some embodiments, a single viral vector is used to deliver a nucleic acid encoding a Cas9 or a Cpf1 and at least one gRNA to a cell. In some embodiments, Cas9 or Cpf1 is provided to a cell using a first viral vector and at least one gRNA is provided to the cell using a second viral vector.

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Several non-viral methods for the transfer of expression constructs into cultured mammalian cells also are contemplated by the present disclosure. These include calcium phosphate precipitation, DEAE-dextran, electroporation, direct microinjection, DNA-loaded liposomes and lipofectamine-DNA complexes, cell sonication, gene bombardment using high velocity microprojectiles, and receptor-mediated transfection. Some of these techniques may be successfully adapted for *in vivo* or *ex vivo* use.

Once the expression construct has been delivered into the cell the nucleic acid encoding the gene of interest may be positioned and expressed at different sites. In certain embodiments, the nucleic acid encoding the gene may be stably integrated into the genome of the cell. This integration may be in the cognate location and orientation via homologous recombination (gene replacement) or it may be integrated in a random, non-specific location (gene augmentation). In yet further embodiments, the nucleic acid may be stably maintained in the cell as a separate, episomal segment of DNA. Such nucleic acid segments or “episomes” encode sequences sufficient to permit maintenance and replication independent of or in synchronization with the host cell cycle. How the expression construct is delivered to a cell and where in the cell the nucleic acid remains is dependent on the type of expression construct employed.

In yet another embodiment, the expression construct may simply consist of naked recombinant DNA or plasmids. Transfer of the construct may be performed by any of the methods mentioned above which physically or chemically permeabilize the cell membrane. This is particularly applicable for transfer *in vitro* but it may be applied to *in vivo* use as well.

In still another embodiment for transferring a naked DNA expression construct into cells may involve particle bombardment. This method depends on the ability to accelerate DNA-coated microprojectiles to a high velocity allowing them to pierce cell membranes and enter cells without killing them. Several devices for accelerating small particles have been developed. One such device relies on a high voltage discharge to generate an electrical current, which in turn provides the motive force. The microprojectiles used have consisted of biologically inert substances such as tungsten or gold beads.

In some embodiments, the expression construct is delivered directly to the liver, skin, and/or muscle tissue of a subject. This may require surgical exposure of the tissue or cells, to eliminate any intervening tissue between the gun and the target organ, *i.e.*, *ex vivo* treatment. Again, DNA encoding a particular gene may be delivered via this method and still be incorporated by the present disclosure.

In a further embodiment, the expression construct may be entrapped in a liposome. Liposomes are vesicular structures characterized by a phospholipid bilayer membrane and an inner aqueous medium. Multilamellar liposomes have multiple lipid layers separated by aqueous medium. They form spontaneously when phospholipids are suspended in an excess
5 of aqueous solution. The lipid components undergo self-rearrangement before the formation of closed structures and entrap water and dissolved solutes between the lipid bilayers. Also contemplated are lipofectamine-DNA complexes.

Liposome-mediated nucleic acid delivery and expression of foreign DNA *in vitro* has been very successful. A reagent known as Lipofectamine 2000™ is widely used and
10 commercially available.

In certain embodiments, the liposome may be complexed with a hemagglutinating virus (HVJ) to facilitate fusion with the cell membrane and promote cell entry of liposome-encapsulated DNA. In other embodiments, the liposome may be complexed or employed in conjunction with nuclear non-histone chromosomal proteins (HMG-1). In yet further
15 embodiments, the liposome may be complexed or employed in conjunction with both HVJ and HMG-1. In that such expression constructs have been successfully employed in transfer and expression of nucleic acid *in vitro* and *in vivo*, then they are applicable for the present disclosure. Where a bacterial promoter is employed in the DNA construct, it also will be desirable to include within the liposome an appropriate bacterial polymerase.

20 Other expression constructs which can be employed to deliver a nucleic acid encoding a particular gene into cells are receptor-mediated delivery vehicles. These take advantage of the selective uptake of macromolecules by receptor-mediated endocytosis in almost all eukaryotic cells. Because of the cell type-specific distribution of various receptors, the delivery can be highly specific.

25 Receptor-mediated gene targeting vehicles generally consist of two components: a cell receptor-specific ligand and a DNA-binding agent. Several ligands have been used for receptor-mediated gene transfer. The most extensively characterized ligands are asialoorosomucoid (ASOR) and transferrin. A synthetic neoglycoprotein, which recognizes the same receptor as ASOR, has been used as a gene delivery vehicle and epidermal growth factor
30 (EGF) has also been used to deliver genes to squamous carcinoma cells.

Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy

Duchenne muscular dystrophy (DMD) is a recessive X-linked form of muscular dystrophy, affecting around 1 in 5000 boys, which results in muscle degeneration and premature death. The disorder is caused by a mutation in the gene dystrophin (see GenBank
 5 Accession NO. NC_000023.11), located on the human X chromosome, which codes for the protein dystrophin (GenBank Accession No. AAA53189; SEQ ID NO: 5).

In humans, dystrophin mRNA contains 79 exons. Dystrophin mRNA is known to be alternatively spliced, resulting in various isoforms. Exemplary dystrophin isoforms are listed in Table 1.

10 The murine dystrophin protein has the following amino acid sequence (Uniprot Accession No. P11531, SEQ. ID. NO: 869):

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  1  MWWVDCYRDV  KKTTKWNASK  GKHDNSDDGK  RDGTGKKKGS  TRVHANNVNK  ARVKNNVDVN
  61  GSTDVDGNHK  TGWNHWVKNV  MKTMAGTNSK  SWVRSTRNYV  NVNTSSWSDG  ANAHSHRDDW
  121  NSVVSHSATR  HANAKCGKDD  VATTYDKKSM  YTSVVSAMVR  TSSKVTRHHH  MHYSTVSAGY
  15  181  TSSSKRKYA  TAAYVATSDS  TSYSHARDKS  DSSMTVNDY  TAVSWSADTR  AGSNDVVKHA
  241  HGMMDTSHGV  GNVGSVGK GK  SDAVMNSRW  CRVASMKSKH  KVMDNKKDDW  TKTRTKKMGD
  301  DKCVHKVDVR  VNSTHMVVVV  DSSGDHATAA  KVGDRWANC  WTDRAWDKWH  TCSTWSKDAM
  361  KNTSGKDNMM  SSHKSTKDKK  KTMKSNDSA  KNKSVTKMWM  NARWDNTKKS  SASAVTTTST
  421  TTVMTVTMVT  TRMVKHAKKR  TVDSRKRVD  THSWTRSAYS  SAVYRKGNSD  KVNAARKAKR
  20  481  KDASRSAAVM  ANGVNASRAS  NSRWTCSRNV  WYTNTYNMTT  TANKTSTTST  AKSKCKDVNR
  541  SAKSKKGMD  ADVATNHNHD  GVRAKKDTM  RYTMSSRTWS  SKSVYSVTYM  RGKASSKNGN
  601  YSDTVKMAKK  ASCKYSGHWK  KSSVSCKHMN  KRKNHKTMM  AVDVKWAGDA  KKKCRVGDTS
  661  NSVNGGKSA  ASRTRNTWDH  CRVYTRKAKA  GDKTVSKDSM  HWMAYRDKY  TDTAVMKRAK
  721  AKTKVKTTVN  SVAHASAAKK  TTTNYWCTRN  GKCKTVWACW  HSYKANKWNV  KKTMNVAQTV
  25  781  SNMHHSNRA  TTDGGVMDNT  NSRWRHAVRK  KSSAKSHSDK  AAYTDKVDAA  MAKSDTSHSM
  841  KKHNGKDNR  VSDVAKKDV  MKRKRNSKM  DVKMHATKSV  VSSHCVNYKS  SVKSMVKTG
  901  RVKKTNDRV  TAKHYNGAKV  TRKKCKSRKM  RKMNVTWAAT  DTTKRSAVGM  SNDSVAWGKA
  961  TTKKAKHSVT  GSKMVGKKT  DKSNSNWAVT  SRVWNYKHMT  DNTKWHADDS  KKKKDKRKAM
  1021  NDMRKVDSTR  DAAKMANRGD  HCRKVSNRR  AASHRKTGKA  SKNSDKAGVN  KDNKDMSDNG
  30  1081  TVNRGDNRD  RKRKKTKHNA  KDRSRKKAS  HWYYKRADDK  CDKKASDRK  KDRKKNAVR
  1141  RAGSNGAAMA  VTSKRWRNSA  RNAHTHTMV  VTTDMDVSYV  STYTSHASVD  HNTCAKDDKS
  1201  KNKDNSGRDH  KKKTAASATS  MKVKVAVAMD  GKHRMYKRGR  DRSVKWRHHY  DMKVNWNVKK
  1261  TNNWHAKYKW  YKDGGRVVR  TNATGSSKTD  VNKGSSRWHD  CKARRKRKNV  SRDNVWADNA
  1321  TGDKVKARGK  NTGGAVVSAR  DKKKKTNWKV  SRAKGVHKDR  DHWSRNYNSA  GDKVTVHGKA
  35  1381  DVRSKGHYKK  STVKRKDRSW  AVNHRRTKDR  AGSTTGASAS  TVTVTSVVTK  TVSKMSSVAA
  1441  DNRAWTTDWS  DRVKSVMVG  DDNMKATDR  RTAANKNKT  NARTDRRWD  VNRNRMKDST
  1501  WAKAVGVRGK  DSWKGTVD  KKTAKKDRR  SVDVANDAKR  DYSADDTRKV  HMTNNTSWG
  1561  HKRVSAAHR  DKSWTATTAN  VDASRKKDSR  GVRMKWDGTH  TDYHNDNGKR  SGSDARRDNM
  1621  NKWSKSNRS  HASDWRHS  VWKDDSRAGG  DAVKNDHRK  RKTVMSTTV  RTGKYRRANV
  40  1681  TRRKAVNAWD  KNRSADWRK  ARAADDKRAV  KGSWVGDDSD  HKVKARGAKN  VNRVNDAAHT
  1741  GSYNSTDNTR  WRVAVDRVR  AHRDGASHST  SVGWRASNKV  YYNHTTTCWD  HKMTYSADNN
  1801  VRSAYRTAMK  RRKACDSSA  CDADHNKNDM  DNCTTYDRHN  NVNVCVDMCN  WNVYDTGRTG
  1861  RRVSKTGSK  AHDKYRYKVA  SSTGCDRRGH  DSRGVASGGS  NSVRSCANNK  AADWMSMVW
  1921  VHRVAAATAK  HAKCNCKCGR  YRSKHNYDCS  CSGRVAKGKH  MHYMYCTTT  SGDVRDAKVK
  45  1981  NKRTKRYAKH  RMGYVTVDN  MTVTNWVDSA  ASSSHDDTHS  RHYASRAMNS  NGSYNDSSNS
  2041  DDHHCNSDS  SRSASSRGRA  DNRNAYDRKH  HKGSSMSTSS  RDAAAKRHK  RARMHNKSH
  2101  RRAAKVNGTT  VSSSTSRSDS  SMRVVGSTSS  MGSDTSTGV  MNSSSRGRN  AGKMRDTM
  
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Dystrophin is an important component within muscle tissue that provides structural stability to the dystroglycan complex (DGC) of the cell membrane. While both sexes can carry the mutation, females are rarely affected with the skeletal muscle form of the disease.

Mutations vary in nature and frequency. Large genetic deletions are found in about 60-
5 70% of cases, large duplications are found in about 10% of cases, and point mutants or other
small changes account for about 15-30% of cases. Bladen *et al.* (2015), who examined some
7000 mutations, catalogued a total of 5,682 large mutations (80% of total mutations), of which
4,894 (86%) were deletions (1 exon or larger) and 784 (14%) were duplications (1 exon or
larger). There were 1,445 small mutations (smaller than 1 exon, 20% of all mutations), of which
10 358 (25%) were small deletions and 132 (9%) small insertions, while 199 (14%) affected the
splice sites. Point mutations totaled 756 (52% of small mutations) with 726 (50%) nonsense
mutations and 30 (2%) missense mutations. Finally, 22 (0.3%) mid-intronic mutations were
observed. In addition, mutations were identified within the database that would potentially
benefit from novel genetic therapies for DMD including stop codon read-through therapies
15 (10% of total mutations) and exon skipping therapy (80% of deletions and 55% of total
mutations).

DMD Subject Characteristics and Clinical Presentation. Symptoms usually
appear in boys between the ages of 2 and 3 and may be visible in early infancy. Even though
20 symptoms do not appear until early infancy, laboratory testing can identify children who carry
the active mutation at birth. Progressive proximal muscle weakness of the legs and pelvis
associated with loss of muscle mass is observed first. Eventually this weakness spreads to the
arms, neck, and other areas. Early signs may include pseudohypertrophy (enlargement of calf
and deltoid muscles), low endurance, and difficulties in standing unaided or inability to ascend
25 staircases. As the condition progresses, muscle tissue experiences wasting and is eventually
replaced by fat and fibrotic tissue (fibrosis). By age 10, braces may be required to aid in walking
but most patients are wheelchair dependent by age 12. Later symptoms may include abnormal
bone development that lead to skeletal deformities, including curvature of the spine. Due to
progressive deterioration of muscle, loss of movement occurs, eventually leading to paralysis.
30 Intellectual impairment may or may not be present but if present, does not progressively worsen
as the child ages. The average life expectancy for males afflicted with DMD is around 25.

The main symptom of Duchenne muscular dystrophy, a progressive neuromuscular disorder, is muscle weakness associated with muscle wasting with the voluntary muscles being

first affected, especially those of the hips, pelvic area, thighs, shoulders, and calves. Muscle weakness also occurs later, in the arms, neck, and other areas. Calves are often enlarged. Symptoms usually appear before age 6 and may appear in early infancy. Other physical symptoms are:

- 5 1. Awkward manner of walking, stepping, or running – (patients tend to walk on their forefeet, because of an increased calf muscle tone. Also, toe walking is a compensatory adaptation to knee extensor weakness.)
2. Frequent falls.
3. Fatigue.
- 10 4. Difficulty with motor skills (running, hopping, jumping).
5. Lumbar hyperlordosis, possibly leading to shortening of the hip-flexor muscles. This has an effect on overall posture and a manner of walking, stepping, or running.
6. Muscle contractures of Achilles tendon and hamstrings impair functionality because the muscle fibers shorten and fibrose in connective tissue.
- 15 7. Progressive difficulty walking.
8. Muscle fiber deformities.
9. Pseudohypertrophy (enlarging) of tongue and calf muscles. The muscle tissue is eventually replaced by fat and connective tissue, hence the term pseudohypertrophy.
10. Higher risk of neurobehavioral disorders (*e.g.*, ADHD), learning disorders (dyslexia),
20 and non-progressive weaknesses in specific cognitive skills (in particular short-term verbal memory), which are believed to be the result of absent or dysfunctional dystrophin in the brain.
11. Eventual loss of ability to walk (usually by the age of 12).
12. Skeletal deformities (including scoliosis in some cases).
- 25 13. Trouble getting up from lying or sitting position.

The condition can often be observed clinically from the moment the patient takes his first steps, and the ability to walk usually completely disintegrates between the time the boy is 9 to 12 years of age. Most men affected with DMD become essentially “paralyzed from the neck down” by the age of 21. Muscle wasting begins in the legs and pelvis, then progresses to
30 the muscles of the shoulders and neck, followed by loss of arm muscles and respiratory muscles. Calf muscle enlargement (pseudohypertrophy) is quite obvious. Cardiomyopathy

particularly (dilated cardiomyopathy) is common, but the development of congestive heart failure or arrhythmia (irregular heartbeat) is only occasional.

A positive Gowers' sign reflects the more severe impairment of the lower extremities muscles. The child helps himself to get up with upper extremities: first by rising to stand on his arms and knees, and then "walking" his hands up his legs to stand upright. Affected children usually tire more easily and have less overall strength than their peers. Creatine kinase (CPK-MM) levels in the bloodstream are extremely high. An electromyography (EMG) shows that weakness is caused by destruction of muscle tissue rather than by damage to nerves. Genetic testing can reveal genetic errors in the Xp21 gene. A muscle biopsy (immunohistochemistry or immunoblotting) or genetic test (blood test) confirms the absence of dystrophin, although improvements in genetic testing often make this unnecessary.

DMD patients may suffer from:

1. Abnormal heart muscle (cardiomyopathy).
2. Congestive heart failure or irregular heart rhythm (arrhythmia).
- 15 3. Deformities of the chest and back (scoliosis).
4. Enlarged muscles of the calves, buttocks, and shoulders (around age 4 or 5). These muscles are eventually replaced by fat and connective tissue (pseudohypertrophy).
5. Loss of muscle mass (atrophy).
6. Muscle contractures in the heels, legs.
- 20 7. Muscle deformities.
8. Respiratory disorders, including pneumonia and swallowing with food or fluid passing into the lungs (in late stages of the disease).

Duchenne muscular dystrophy (DMD) is caused by a mutation of the dystrophin gene at locus Xp21, located on the short arm of the X chromosome. Dystrophin is responsible for connecting the cytoskeleton of each muscle fiber to the underlying basal lamina (extracellular matrix), through a protein complex containing many subunits. The absence of dystrophin permits excess calcium to penetrate the sarcolemma (the cell membrane). Alterations in calcium and signaling pathways cause water to enter into the mitochondria, which then burst.

In skeletal muscle dystrophy, mitochondrial dysfunction gives rise to an amplification of stress-induced cytosolic calcium signals and an amplification of stress-induced reactive-oxygen species (ROS) production. In a complex cascading process that involves several

pathways and is not clearly understood, increased oxidative stress within the cell damages the sarcolemma and eventually results in the death of the cell. Muscle fibers undergo necrosis and are ultimately replaced with adipose and connective tissue.

DMD is inherited in an X-linked recessive pattern. Females will typically be carriers for the disease while males will be affected. Typically, a female carrier will be unaware they carry a mutation until they have an affected son. The son of a carrier mother has a 50% chance of inheriting the defective gene from his mother. The daughter of a carrier mother has a 50% chance of being a carrier and a 50% chance of having two normal copies of the gene. In all cases, an unaffected father will either pass a normal Y to his son or a normal X to his daughter. Female carriers of an X-linked recessive condition, such as DMD, can show symptoms depending on their pattern of X-inactivation.

Exon deletions preceding exon 51 of the human *DMD* gene, which disrupt the open reading frame (ORF) by juxtaposing out of frame exons, represent the most common type of human DMD mutation. Skipping of exon 51 can, in principle, restore the DMD ORF in 13% of DMD patients with exon deletions.

Duchenne muscular dystrophy has an incidence of 1 in 5000 male infants. Mutations within the dystrophin gene can either be inherited or occur spontaneously during germline transmission.

Sequences

The following tables provide exemplary primer, gRNA and genomic targeting sequences for use in connection with the compositions and methods disclosed herein.

Table 4: Sequence of Primers for DMD iPSCs

PCR/T7E1 and RT-PCR primers				
DMD #	PCR/T7E1	SEQ ID NO:	RT-PCR	SEQ ID NO:
Del.	F: TTCCCTGGCAAGGTCTGA	2463	F: CCCAGAAGAGCAAGATAAACTTGAA	2469
	R: ATCCTCAAGGTCACCCACC	2464	R: CTCTGTTCCAAATCCTGCATTGT	2470
pEx.	F: CACACCTGTTATATTTTCCGTGAAG	2465	F: CATAAGCCCAGAAGAGCAAGATAAA	2471
	R: CAAAGGAGAAGCAAAAACACATTCTA	2466	R: ATAGGAGATAACCACAGCAGCAGAT	2472
Dup.	F: GTAATGTATAACTGTATAACGTGGGGCAC TC	2467	E59F: GGGAAAAATTGAACCTGCAC	2473

	R: GGTGAGTTGTTGCTACAGCTCTCC	2468	E55R: CATCAGCTCTTTACTCCCTT	2474
			E53F: GGAGGGTCCCTATACAGTAG	2475

Table 5: Genomic targeting sequences of top 12 exons.

Exon	Applicability (30)	gRNA/PAM at acceptor site	SEQ ID NO.	gRNA/PAM at donor site	SEQ ID NO.
51	13.0%	#1: TGCAAAAACCCAAAATATTTTA <u>G</u>	2378		
		#2: AAAATATTTTAGCTCCTA <u>CTCAG</u>	2379		
		#3: CAGAGTAACAGTCTGAG TAGGAG*	2380		
45	8.1%	#1: TTGCCTTTTTGGTATCTTA <u>CAGG</u>	2381		
		#2: TTGCCTTTTTGGTATCTT <u>ACAG</u>	2382		
		#3: CGCTGCCCAATGCCATC CTGGAG	2383		
53	7.7%	#1: ATTTATTTTTCCTTATTCTAG	2384	#4: AAAGAAAATCACAGAAAC CAAGG	2414
		#2: TTTCTTTTATTCTAGTTG <u>AAAG</u>	2385	#5: AAAATCACAGAAACCAAG <u>GTTAG</u>	2415
		#3: TGATTCTGAATTCTTTCA <u>ACTAG</u>	2386	#6: GGTATCTTTGATACTAAC CTTGG	2416
44	6.2%	#1: ATCCATATGCTTTTACC TGCAGG	2387	#4: GTAATACAAATGGTATCTT AAGG	2417
		#2: GATCCATATGCTTTTACCT <u>GCAG</u>	2388		
		3: CAGATCTGTCAAATCGCC <u>TGCAG</u>	2389		
46	4.3%	#1: TTATTCTTCTTCTCCAGG <u>CTAG</u>	2390		
		#2: AATTTTATTCTTCTTCT CCAGG	2391		
		#3: CAATTTTATTCTTCTTCT <u>CCAG</u>	2392		
52	4.1%	#1: TAAGGGATATTTGTCT	2393		

		TACAGG			
		#2: CTAAGGGATATTTGTTCT <u>TACAG</u>	2394		
		#3: TGTTCTTACAGGCAACAA <u>TGCAG</u>	2395		
50	4.0%	#1: TGTATGCTTTTCTGTTA AAGAGG	2396		
		#2: ATGTGTATGCTTTTCTGTT <u>AAAG</u>	2397		
		#3: GTGTATGCTTTTCTGTTA <u>AAGAG</u>	2398		
43	3.8%	#1: GTTTTAAAATTTTATATT <u>ACAG</u>	2399	#4: TATGTGTTACCTACCCTT GTCGG	2418
		#2: TTTTATATTACAGAATAT <u>AAAAG</u>	2400	#5: AAATGTACAAGGACCGAC <u>AAGGG</u>	2419
		#3: ATATTACAGAATATAAAA <u>GATAG</u>	2401	#6: GTACAAGGACCGACAAGG GTAGG	2420
6	3.0%†	#1: TGAAAATTTATTTCCACA <u>TGTAG</u>	2402	#4: ATGCTCTCATCCATAGTCA <u>TAGG</u>	2421
		#2: GAAAATTTATTTCCACAT <u>GTAGG</u>	2403	#5: TTCATCCATAGTCATAGG <u>TAAG</u>	2422
		#3: TTACATTTTGGACCTACA <u>TGTGG</u>	2404	#6: CATCCATAGTCATAGGTAA <u>GAAG</u>	2423
7	3.0%†	#1: TGTGTATGTGTATGTGTT <u>TTAGG</u>	2405		
		#2: TATGTGTATGTGTTTTAG <u>GCCAG</u>	2406		
		#3: CTATTCCAGTCAAATAG GTCITGG	2407		
8	2.3%	#1: GTGTAGTGTTAATGTGCT <u>TACAG</u>	2408	#4: TGCACTATTCTCAACAGGT <u>AAAG</u>	2424
		#2: GGACTTCTTATCTGGATA <u>GGTGG</u>	2409	#5: TCAAATGCACTATTCTCAA CAGG	2425
		#3: TAGGTGGTATCAACATCT <u>GTAAG</u>	2410	#6: CTTTACACACTTTACCTGTT <u>GAG</u>	2426

55	2.09%	#1: TGAACATTGGTCCTT <u>GCAGGG</u>	2411		
		#2: TCTGAACATTGGTCCTT <u>TGCAG</u>	2412		
		#3: TCTCGCTCACTCACCT <u>GCAAAG</u>	2413		
			†Dual exon skipping (exons 6 and 7).		

TABLE 6 – Genomic Target Sequences

Targeted gRNA Exon	Guide #	Strand	Genomic Target Sequence*	PAM	SEQ ID NO.
Human-Exon 51	4	1	tcctttctctctttctctttt	tttt	60
Human-Exon 51	5	1	cttttctctctttctcttttG	tttt	61
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Human-Exon 51	7	1	tctcttttctcttttGCAAAA	tttt	63
Human-Exon 51	8	1	ctcttttctcttttGCAAAA	tttt	64
Human-Exon 51	9	1	ttcttttctcttttGCAAAAAC	tttc	65
Human-Exon 51	10	1	ttccttttGCAAAAACCCAAAAT	tttt	66
Human-Exon 51	11	1	tctcttttGCAAAAACCCAAAATA	tttt	67
Human-Exon 51	12	1	ccttttGCAAAAACCCAAAATAT	tttt	68
Human-Exon 51	13	1	cttttGCAAAAACCCAAAATATT	tttc	69
Human-Exon 51	14	1	tGCAAAAACCCAAAATATTTTAGC	tttt	70
Human-Exon 51	15	1	GCAAAAACCCAAAATATTTTAGCT	tttt	71
Human-Exon 51	16	1	CAAAAACCCAAAATATTTTAGCTC	tttG	72
Human-Exon 51	17	1	AGCTCCTACTCAGACTGTTACTCT	TTTT	73
Human-Exon 51	18	1	GCTCCTACTCAGACTGTTACTCTG	TTTA	74
Human-Exon 51	19	-1	CTTAGTAACCACAGGTTGTGTAC	TTTC	75
Human-Exon 51	20	-1	GAGATGGCAGTTTCCTTAGTAACC	TTTG	76
Human-Exon 51	21	-1	TAGTTTGGAGATGGCAGTTTCCTT	TTTC	77
Human-Exon 51	22	-1	TTCTCATACCTTCTGCTTGATGAT	TTTT	78
Human-Exon 51	23	-1	TCATTTTTTCTCATACCTTCTGCT	TTTA	79
Human-Exon 51	24	-1	ATCATTTTTTCTCATACCTTCTGC	TTTT	80
Human-Exon 51	25	-1	AAGAAAACTTCTGCCAACTTTTA	TTTA	81
Human-Exon 51	26	-1	AAAGAAAACTTCTGCCAACTTTT	TTTT	82
Human-Exon 51	27	1	TCTTTAAAATGAAGATTTCCACC	TTTT	83
Human-Exon 51	28	1	CTTTAAAATGAAGATTTCCACCA	TTTT	84
Human-Exon 51	29	1	TTTAAAATGAAGATTTCCACCAA	TTTC	85
Human-Exon 51	30	1	AAATGAAGATTTCCACCAATCAC	TTTA	86
Human-Exon 51	31	1	CCACCAATCACTTTACTCTCCTAG	TTTT	87
Human-Exon 51	32	1	CACCAATCACTTTACTCTCCTAGA	TTTC	88
Human-Exon 51	33	1	CTCTCCTAGACCATTTCACCAG	TTTA	89

Human-Exon 45	1	-1	agaaaagattaaacagtgtgctac	tttg	90
Human-Exon 45	2	-1	tttgagaaaagattaaacagtgtg	TTTa	91
Human-Exon 45	3	-1	atttgagaaaagattaaacagtgt	TTTT	92
Human-Exon 45	4	-1	TatTTgagaaaagattaaacagtg	TTTT	93
Human-Exon 45	5	1	atcttttctcaaatAAAAAGACAT	ttta	94
Human-Exon 45	6	1	ctcaaatAAAAAGACATGGGGCTT	tttt	95
Human-Exon 45	7	1	tcaaatAAAAAGACATGGGGCTTC	tttc	96
Human-Exon 45	8	1	TGTTTTGCCTTTTTGGTATCTTAC	TTTT	97
Human-Exon 45	9	1	GTTTTGCCTTTTTGGTATCTTACA	TTTT	98
Human-Exon 45	10	1	TTTTGCCTTTTTGGTATCTTACAG	TTTG	99
Human-Exon 45	11	1	GCCTTTTTGGTATCTTACAGGAAC	TTTT	100
Human-Exon 45	12	1	CCTTTTTGGTATCTTACAGGAACT	TTTG	101
Human-Exon 45	13	1	TGGTATCTTACAGGAACTCCAGGA	TTTT	102
Human-Exon 45	14	1	GGTATCTTACAGGAACTCCAGGAT	TTTT	103
Human-Exon 45	15	-1	AGGATTGCTGAATTATTTCTTCCC	TTTG	104
Human-Exon 45	16	-1	GAGGATTGCTGAATTATTTCTTCC	TTTT	105
Human-Exon 45	17	-1	TGAGGATTGCTGAATTATTTCTTC	TTTT	106
Human-Exon 45	18	-1	CTGTAGAATACTGGCATCTGTTTT	TTTC	107
Human-Exon 45	19	-1	CCTGTAGAATACTGGCATCTGTTT	TTTT	108
Human-Exon 45	20	-1	TCCTGTAGAATACTGGCATCTGTT	TTTT	109
Human-Exon 45	21	-1	CAGACCTCCTGCCACCGCAGATTC	TTTG	110
Human-Exon 45	22	-1	TGTCCTGACAGCTGTTTGCAGACCT	TTTC	111
Human-Exon 45	23	-1	CTGTCTGACAGCTGTTTGCAGACC	TTTT	112
Human-Exon 45	24	-1	TCTGTCTGACAGCTGTTTGCAGAC	TTTT	113
Human-Exon 45	25	-1	TTCTGTCTGACAGCTGTTTGCAGA	TTTT	114
Human-Exon 45	26	-1	ATTCCTATTAGATCTGTGCGCCCTA	TTTC	115
Human-Exon 45	27	-1	CATTCCTATTAGATCTGTGCGCCCT	TTTT	116
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Human-Exon 45	29	1	GCAGACTTTTTAAGCTTTCTTTAG	TTTA	118
Human-Exon 45	30	1	TAAGCTTTCTTTAGAAGAATATTT	TTTT	119
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Human-Exon 45	32	1	AGCTTTCTTTAGAAGAATATTTCA	TTTA	121
Human-Exon 45	33	1	TTTAGAAGAATATTTTCATGAGAGA	TTTC	122

Human-Exon 45	34	1	GAAGAATATTTTCATGAGAGATTAT	TTTA	123
Human-Exon 44	1	1	TCAGTATAACCAAAAAATATACGC	TTTG	124
Human-Exon 44	2	1	acataatccatctatTTTTcttga	tttt	125
Human-Exon 44	3	1	cataatccatctatTTTTcttgat	ttfa	126
Human-Exon 44	4	1	tcttgatccatgcttttACCTG	tttt	127
Human-Exon 44	5	1	cttgatccatgcttttACCTGC	tttt	128
Human-Exon 44	6	1	ttgatccatgcttttACCTGCA	tttc	129
Human-Exon 44	7	-1	TCAACAGATCTGTCAAATCGCCTG	TTTC	130
Human-Exon 44	8	1	ACCTGCAGGCGATTTGACAGATCT	tttt	131
Human-Exon 44	9	1	CCTGCAGGCGATTTGACAGATCTG	tttA	132
Human-Exon 44	10	1	ACAGATCTGTTGAGAAATGGCGGC	TTTG	133
Human-Exon 44	11	-1	TATCATAATGAAAACGCCGCCATT	TTTA	134
Human-Exon 44	12	1	CATTATGATATAAAGATATTTAAT	TTTT	135
Human-Exon 44	13	-1	TATTTAGCATGTTCCCAATTCTCA	TTTG	136
Human-Exon 44	14	-1	GAAAAAACAAATCAAAGACTTACC	TTTC	137
Human-Exon 44	15	1	ATTTGTTTTTTTCGAAATTGTATTT	TTTG	138
Human-Exon 44	16	1	TTTTTTTCGAAATTGTATTTATCTT	TTTG	139
Human-Exon 44	17	1	TTCGAAATTGTATTTATCTTCAGC	TTTT	140
Human-Exon 44	18	1	TCGAAATTGTATTTATCTTCAGCA	TTTT	141
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Human-Exon 44	26	1	ACTGTTGTTGTCATCATTATATTA	TTTG	149
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Human-Exon 46	7	-1	CCAACATAGTTCTCAAACATTTTG	tttt	173
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Human-Exon 6	7	-1	TGACCTACATGTGGAAATAAATTT	TTTT	288
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mouse-Exon23-G3		1	AAAGAGCAATAAAAATGGCttcaac	TTTG	377
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mouse-Exon23-G6		-1	tattatattacagggcatattata	TTTC	380
mouse-Exon23-G7		1	Aggtaagccgaggtttggccttta	TTTC	381

mouse-Exon23-G8		1	cccagagtccttcaaagattga	TTTA	382
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* In this table, upper case letters represent nucleotides that align to the exon sequence of the gene. Lower case letters represent nucleotides that align to the intron sequence of the gene.

TABLE 7 – gRNA sequences

Targeted gRNA Exon	Guide #	Strand	gRNA sequence *	PAM	SEQ ID NO.
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Human-Exon 51	28	1	UGGUGGAAAAUCUUCAUUUAAAAG	TTTT	407
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Human-Exon 51	33	1	CUGGUGGGAAAUGGUCUAGGAGA	TTTA	412
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Human-Exon 43	7	1	AAAAAAAAUGAAUUAGCUGUCUAUA	TTTC	573
Human-Exon 43	8	-1	UUAAAAUUUUUAUUAUACAGAAUA	TTTA	574
Human-Exon 43	9	-1	UAAAAUUUUUAUUAUACAGAAUAU	TTTT	575
Human-Exon 43	10	1	AUAUAAAAUUUUAAAACAGUAAA	TTTT	576
Human-Exon 43	11	1	AAUAUAAAAUUUUAAAACAGUAA	TTTT	577
Human-Exon 43	12	1	UAUAUAAAAUUUUAAAACAGUA	TTTT	578
Human-Exon 43	13	1	GUAUAUAAAAUUUUAAAACAGU	TTTT	579
Human-Exon 43	14	1	UGUAUAUAAAAUUUUAAAACAG	TTTA	580
Human-Exon 43	15	1	UAUAUUCUGUAAUAUAAAAUUUU	TTTT	581
Human-Exon 43	16	1	UUAUAUUCUGUAAUAUAAAAUUUU	TTTA	582
Human-Exon 43	17	-1	CAGAAUAUAAAAGAUAGUCUACAA	TTTG	583
Human-Exon 43	18	1	CUAUCUUUUUAUUAUCUGUAAUAUA	TTTT	584
Human-Exon 43	19	1	ACUAUCUUUUUAUUAUCUGUAAUAU	TTTT	585
Human-Exon 43	20	1	GACUAUCUUUUUAUUAUCUGUAAUA	TTTA	586
Human-Exon 43	21	-1	CAUAGCAAGAAGACAGCAGCAUUG	TTTG	587
Human-Exon 43	22	1	CAUUUUGUUAACUUUUUCCCAUUG	TTTC	588
Human-Exon 43	23	-1	CAUAUAUUUUUCUUGAUACUUGCA	TTTC	589
Human-Exon 43	24	1	AAAUCAUUUCUGCAAGUAUCAAGA	TTTT	590
Human-Exon 43	25	1	CAAUCAUUUCUGCAAGUAUCAAG	TTTT	591
Human-Exon 43	26	1	ACAAAUCAUUUCUGCAAGUAUCAAA	TTTC	592
Human-Exon 43	27	1	AUAAAUUCUACAGUUCCUGAAAA	TTTG	593
Human-Exon 43	28	-1	GAAUUUAUUUCAGUACCCUCCAUG	TTTC	594
Human-Exon 43	29	-1	AAUUUAUUUCAGUACCCUCCAUGG	TTTT	595
Human-Exon 43	30	1	UGAAAUAAAUUCUACAGUUCCUG	TTTT	596
Human-Exon 43	31	-1	AUUUAUUUCAGUACCCUCCAUGGA	TTTT	597
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Human-Exon 43	33	-1	UUUAUUUCAGUACCCUCCAUGGAA	TTTT	599
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Human-Exon 43	35	-1	ACCCUCCAUGGAAAAAAGACAGGG	TTTT	601
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Human-Exon 43	37	1	UUUUUCCAUGGAGGGUACUGAAA	TTTA	603

Human-Exon 43	38	1	UGUCUUUUUCCAUGGAGGGUACU	TTTC	604
Human-Exon 6	1	1	CCUUGAGCAAGAACCAUGCAAACU	TTTA	605
Human-Exon 6	2	-1	UGCUCAAGGAAUGCAUUUUCUUUAU	TTTC	606
Human-Exon 6	3	-1	GCUCAAGGAAUGCAUUUUCUUAUG	TTTT	607
Human-Exon 6	4	1	UGCAUUCUUGAGCAAGAACCAUG	TTTG	608
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Human-Exon 6	6	-1	AAAAUUUAUUUCCACAUGUAGGUC	TTTT	610
Human-Exon 6	7	-1	AAAUUUUAUUUCCACAUGUAGGUCA	TTTT	611
Human-Exon 6	8	1	CAUGUGGAAAUAAAUUUCAUAAG	TTTT	612
Human-Exon 6	9	1	ACAUGUGGAAAUAAAUUUCAUAA	TTTC	613
Human-Exon 6	10	-1	CCACAUGUAGGUCAAAAUGUAAU	TTTC	614
Human-Exon 6	11	-1	CACAUGUAGGUCAAAAUGUAAUG	TTTT	615
Human-Exon 6	12	-1	ACAUGUAGGUCAAAAUGUAAUGA	TTTT	616
Human-Exon 6	13	1	ACAUUUUUGACCUACAUGUGGAAA	TTTA	617
Human-Exon 6	14	1	CAUUACAUUUUUGACCUACAUGUG	TTTC	618
Human-Exon 6	15	-1	AAAAUAUCAUGGCUGGAUUGCAA	TTTG	619
Human-Exon 6	16	-1	GCUGGAUUGCAACAAACCAACAGU	TTTC	620
Human-Exon 6	17	-1	CUGGAUUGCAACAAACCAACAGUG	TTTT	621
Human-Exon 6	18	1	CCUAUGACUAUGGAUGAGAGCAUU	TTTG	622
Human-Exon 6	19	-1	UAGGUAAGAAGAUUACUGAGACAU	TTTA	623
Human-Exon 6	20	-1	AUUACUGAGACAUUAAAUAACUUG	TTTA	624
Human-Exon 6	21	-1	UUACUGAGACAUUAAAUAACUUGU	TTTT	625
Human-Exon 6	22	1	GGGGAAAAUAUGUCAUCAGAGUC	TTTA	626
Human-Exon 6	23	1	CAUGAUCUGGAACCAUACUGGGGA	TTTT	627
Human-Exon 6	24	1	ACAUGAUCUGGAACCAUACUGGGG	TTTT	628
Human-Exon 6	25	1	GACAUGAUCUGGAACCAUACUGGG	TTTC	629
Human-Exon 7	1	1	uacacacauacacaAAGACAAAUA	TTTA	630
Human-Exon 7	2	1	uacacauacacacauacacaAAGA	TTTG	631
Human-Exon 7	3	1	aacacauacacacauacacacauaca	TTtg	632
Human-Exon 7	4	1	AUUCAGUCAAAUAGGUCUGGCCU	tTT	633
Human-Exon 7	5	1	UAUUCAGUCAAAUAGGUCUGGCC	tTTA	634
Human-Exon 7	6	1	GCUGGCAAACACACUAUUCAGU	TTTG	635
Human-Exon 7	7	1	AGUCGUUGUGUGGCUGACUGCUGG	TTTG	636

Human-Exon 7	8	-1	CGCCAGAUAUCAAUUAGGCAUAGA	TTTC	637
Human-Exon 7	9	-1	AAACUACUCGAUCCUGAAGGUUGG	TTTA	638
Human-Exon 7	10	1	CAUACUAAAAGCAGUGGUAGUCCA	TTTC	639
Human-Exon 7	11	1	GAAAACAUUAAACUCUACCAUACU	TTTT	640
Human-Exon 7	12	1	UGAAAACAUUAAACUCUACCAUAC	TTTA	641
Human-Exon 8	1	-1	UUGUUCAUUAUCCUUUUAGAGUCU	TTTG	642
Human-Exon 8	2	1	AAAGGAUAAUGAACAAAUCAAGU	TTTA	643
Human-Exon 8	3	-1	UAUCCUUUUAGAGUCUCAAAUUAU	TTTC	644
Human-Exon 8	4	1	ACUCUAAAAGGAUAAUGAACAAAU	TTTG	645
Human-Exon 8	5	-1	UUUUAGAGUCUCAAAUUAAGAAAC	TTTG	646
Human-Exon 8	6	-1	UUUAGAGUCUCAAAUUAAGAAACC	TTTT	647
Human-Exon 8	7	-1	UUAGAGUCUCAAAUUAAGAAACCA	TTTT	648
Human-Exon 8	8	1	UUGAGACUCUAAAAGGAUAAUGAA	TTTG	649
Human-Exon 8	9	1	UUUGGUUUCUAUAAUUUGAGACUCU	TTTT	650
Human-Exon 8	10	1	UUUUGGUUUCUAUAAUUUGAGACUC	TTTA	651
Human-Exon 8	11	-1	AGCAUUGAAGCCAUCCAGGAAGUG	TTTC	652
Human-Exon 8	12	1	GCUUCAAUGCUCACUUGUUGAGGC	TTTT	653
Human-Exon 8	13	1	GGCUUCAAUGCUCACUUGUUGAGG	TTTG	654
Human-Exon 8	14	-1	AGUGGAAAUGUUGCCAAGGCCACC	TTTA	655
Human-Exon 8	15	-1	GUUGCCAAGGCCACCUAAAGUGAC	TTTA	656
Human-Exon 8	16	-1	GAAGAACAUUUCAGUUACAUCAU	TTTG	657
Human-Exon 8	17	-1	AUCAAUUGCACUAUUCUCAACAGG	TTTA	658
Human-Exon 8	18	1	AUAGUGCAUUUGAUGAUGUAACUG	TTTT	659
Human-Exon 8	19	1	AAUAGUGCAUUUGAUGAUGUAACU	TTTC	660
Human-Exon 8	20	-1	ACUAUUCUCAACAGGUAAGUGUG	TTTA	661
Human-Exon 8	21	1	UACCUAAAAAUGCAUAUAAAACAG	TTTT	662
Human-Exon 8	22	1	AUACCUAAAAAUGCAUAUAAAACA	TTTC	663
Human-Exon 8	23	1	CACGUAUUACCUAAAAAUGCAUUAU	TTTT	664
Human-Exon 8	24	1	GCACGUAUUACCUAAAAAUGCAUAU	TTTA	665
Human-Exon 8	25	1	auauauauGUGCACGUAAUACCUA	TTTT	666
Human-Exon 8	26	1	uauauauauGUGCACGUAAUACCU	TTTT	667
Human-Exon 8	27	1	auauauauauGUGCACGUAAUACC	TTTA	668
Human-Exon 55	1	-1	CUGCACAAUAUUAUAGUUGUUGCU	TTTA	669

Human-Exon 55	2	1	AUAAAAAGAGAAAGAUGGAGGAAC	TTTA	670
Human-Exon 55	3	1	CACCUAGUGAACUCCAUAAAAAGA	TTTC	671
Human-Exon 55	4	1	AUGGUGCACCUAGUGAACUCCAUA	TTTT	672
Human-Exon 55	5	1	AAUGGUGCACCUAGUGAACUCCAU	TTTT	673
Human-Exon 55	6	1	GAAUGGUGCACCUAGUGAACUCCA	TTTA	674
Human-Exon 55	7	1	GACCAAUGUUCAGAUGCAAUUUAU	TTTA	675
Human-Exon 55	8	1	UCGCUCACUCACCCUGCAAAGGAC	TTTG	676
Human-Exon 55	9	-1	AGUGAGCGAGAGGCUGCUUUGGAA	TTTC	677
Human-Exon 55	10	1	GCAGCCUCUCGCUCACUCACCCUG	TTTG	678
Human-Exon 55	11	1	UUGCAGUAAUCU AUGAGUUUCUUC	TTTG	679
Human-Exon 55	12	-1	CUGCAACAGUUC CCCCUGGACCUG	TTTC	680
Human-Exon 55	13	-1	UGCAACAGUUC CCCCUGGACCUGG	TTTT	681
Human-Exon 55	14	-1	UUUCUUGCCUGGCUUACAGAAGCU	TTTC	682
Human-Exon 55	15	1	UUUCAGCUUCUGUAAGCCAGGCAA	TTTC	683
Human-Exon 55	16	-1	GUCCUACAGGAUGCUACCCGUAAG	TTTC	684
Human-Exon 55	17	-1	GGCUCCUAGAAGACUCCAAGGGAG	TTTA	685
Human-Exon 55	18	-1	GCUCCUAGAAGACUCCAAGGGAGU	TTTT	686
Human-Exon 55	19	-1	CUCCAAGGGAGUAAAAGAGCUGAU	TTTC	687
Human-Exon 55	20	1	UGGAUCCACAAGAGUGCUAAAGCG	TTTC	688
Human-Exon 55	21	1	GUUCAAUUGGAUCCACAAGAGUGC	TTTA	689
Human-Exon 55	22	-1	UACUUGUAACUGACAAGCCAGGGA	TTTG	690
Human-Exon 55	23	-1	ACUUGUAACUGACAAGCCAGGGAC	TTTT	691
Human-Exon 55	24	-1	GUAACUGACAAGCCAGGGACAAAA	TTTG	692
Human-Exon 55	25	-1	U AACUGACAAGCCAGGGACAAAAC	TTTT	693
Human-Exon 55	26	1	UCCUGGCUUGUCAGUUACAAGUA	TTTG	694
Human-G1-exon51		1	CAGAGU AACAGUCUGAGUAGGAGc	TTTA	695
Human-G2-exon51		1	uacuuuguuuagcaauacauggua	TTTC	696
Human-G3-exon51		-1	uggcucaaauguuacucuucaau	TTTA	697
mouse-Exon23-G1		1	CUUUCA Aagaacuugcagagccu	TTTG	698
mouse-Exon23-G2		1	guugaaGCCAUUUUGUUGCUCUUU	TTTG	699
mouse-Exon23-G3		1	guugaaGCCAUUUUAUUGCUCUUU	TTTG	700
mouse-Exon23-G4		-1	uuuugagGCUCUGCAAAGUUCUUU	TTTC	701

mouse-Exon23-G5		-1	aguuaauaaugcauagauauucag	TTTA	702
mouse-Exon23-G6		-1	uaauaaauagcccuguaauuaana	TTTC	703
mouse-Exon23-G7		1	uaaaggccaaaccucggcuuaccU	TTTC	704
mouse-Exon23-G8		1	ucaauaucuuugaaggacucuggg	TTTA	705

* In this table, upper case letters represent sgRNA nucleotides that align to the exon sequence of the gene. Lower case letters represent sgRNA nucleotides that align to the intron sequence of the gene.

5 **Table 8: Genomic target sites for sgRNA in mouse *Dmd* Exon 51**

ID sgRNA	Strand	Target site	SEQ ID NO:	PAM
Ex51-SA1	3'	AGAGTAACAGTCTGACTGG	706	CAG
Ex51-SD	5'	GAAATGATCATCAAACAGA	707	AGG
Ex51-SA-2	3'	CACTAGAGTAACAGTCTGAC	708	TGG

Table 9: gRNA sequences targeting mouse *Dmd* Exon 51

ID sgRNA	Strand	Target site	SEQ ID NO:	PAM
Ex51-SA1	3'	CCAGUCAGACUGUUACUCU	709	CAG
Ex51-SD	5'	UCUGUUUGAUGAUCAUUUC	710	AGG
Ex51-SA-2	3'	GUCAGACUGUUACUCUAGUG	711	TGG

Table 10: Genomic target sequences for sgRNAs targeting human *Dmd* Exon 51

ID sgRNA	Strand	Target site	SEQ ID NO:	PAM
Ex51-SA	3'	AGAGTAACAGTCTGAGTAG	712	GAG

Ex51-SD	5'	GAGATGATCATCAAGCAGA	713	AGG
Ex51-SA-2	3'	CACCAGAGTAACAGTCTGAG	714	TAG

Table 11: sgRNA sequences targeting human *Dmd* Exon 51

ID sgRNA	Strand	Target site	SEQ ID NO:	PAM
Ex51-SA	3'	CUACUCAGACUGUUACUCU	715	GAG
Ex51-SD	5'	UCUGCUUGAUGAUCAUCUC	716	AGG
Ex51-SA-2	3'	CUCAGACUGUUACUCUGGUG	717	TAG

Table 12: Genomic target sequences for sgRNAs targeting sites in various human *Dmd*5 **Exons**

ID sgRNA	Strand	Target site	SEQ ID NO:	PAM
Exon51-#1	3'	CAGAGTAACAGTCTGAGTAG	947	GAG
Exon51-#2	3'	CACCAGAGTAACAGTCTGAG	718	TAG
Exon51-#3	3'	TATTTTGGGTTTTTGCAAAA	719	AGG
Exon51-#4	3'	AGTAGGAGCTAAAATATTTT	720	GGG
Exon51-#5	3'	GAGTAGGAGCTAAAATATTT	721	TGG
Exon51-#6	3'	ACCAGAGTAACAGTCTGAGT	722	AGG
Exon51-#7	5'	TCCTACTCAGACTGTTACTC	723	TGG
Exon51-#8	5'	TACTCTGGTGACACAACCTG	724	TGG
Exon51-#9	3'	GCAGTTTCCTTAGTAACCAC	725	AGG
Exon51-#10	5'	GACACAACCTGTGGTTACTA	726	AGG
Exon51-#11	3'	TGTCACCAGAGTAACAGTCT	727	GAG
Exon51-#12	3'	AGGTTGTGTCACCAGAGTAA	728	CAG
Exon51-#13	3'	AACCACAGGTTGTGTCACCA	729	GAG

Exon51-#14	3'	GTAACCACAGGTTGTGTCAC	730	CAG
Exon53-#1	5'	ATTTATTTTTCTTTTATTC	731	TAG
Exon53-#2	5'	TTTCCTTTTATTCTAGTTGA	732	AAG
Exon53-#3	3'	TGATTCTGAATTCTTTCAAC	733	TAG
Exon53-#4	3'	AATTCCTTCAACTAGAATAA	734	AAG
Exon53-#6	5'	TTATTCTAGTTGAAAGAATT	735	CAG
Exon53-#7	5'	TAGTTGAAAGAATTCAGAAT	736	CAG
Exon53-#8	5'	AATTCAGAATCAGTGGGATG	737	AAG
Exon53-#9	3'	ATTCTTTCAACTAGAATAAA	738	AGG
Exon53-#10	5'	TTGAAAGAATTCAGAATCAG	739	TGG
Exon53-#11	5'	TGAAAGAATTCAGAATCAGT	740	GGG
Exon53-#12	3'	ACTGTTGCCTCCGTTCTGA	741	AGG
Exon44-#1	3'	CAGATCTGTCAAATCGCCTG	742	CAG
Exon44-#2	3'	AAAACGCCGCCATTTCTCAA	743	CAG
Exon44-#3	3'	AGATCTGTCAAATCGCCTGC	744	AGG
Exon44-#4	3'	TATGGATCAAGAAAAATAGA	745	TGG
Exon44-#5	3'	CGCCTGCAGGTAAAAGCATA	746	TGG
Exon44-#6	5'	ATCCATATGCTTTTACCTGC	747	AGG
Exon44-#8	5'	TTGACAGATCTGTTGAGAAA	748	TGG
Exon44-#9	5'	ACAGATCTGTTGAGAAATGG	749	CGG
Exon44-#11	5'	GGCGATTTGACAGATCTGTT	750	GAG
Exon44-#13	5'	GGCGTTTTTCATTATGATATA	751	AAG
Exon44-#14	5'	ATGATATAAAGATATTTAAT	752	CAG
Exon44-#15	5'	GATATTTAATCAGTGGCTAA	753	CAG
Exon44-#16	5'	ATTTAATCAGTGGCTAACAG	754	AAG
Exon44-#17	3'	AGAAACTGTTTCAGCTTCTGT	755	TAG

Exon43-#1	5'	GTTTTAAAATTTTTATATTA	756	CAG
Exon43-#2	5'	TTTTATATTACAGAATATAA	757	AAG
Exon43-#3	5'	ATATTACAGAATATAAAAGA	758	TAG
Exon45-#1	3'	G TTCCTGTAAGATAACCAAAA	759	AGG
Exon45-#2	5'	TTGCCTTTTTGGTATCTTAC	760	AGG
Exon45-#3	5'	TGGTATCTTACAGGAACTCC	761	AGG
Exon45-#4	5'	ATCTTACAGGAACTCCAGGA	762	TGG
Exon45-#5	3'	GCCGCTGCCCAATGCCATCC	763	TGG
Exon45-#6	5'	CAGGAACTCCAGGATGGCAT	764	TGG
Exon45-#7	5'	AGGAACTCCAGGATGGCATT	765	GGG
Exon45-#8	5'	TCCAGGATGGCATTGGGCAG	766	CGG
Exon45-#9	5'	GTCAGAACATTGAATGCAAC	767	TGG
Exon45-#10	3'	AGTTCCTGTAAGATAACAAA	768	AAG
Exon45-#11	3'	TGCCATCCTGGAGTTCCTGT	769	AAG
Exon45-#12	5'	TTGGTATCTTACAGGAACTC	770	CAG
Exon45-#13	3'	CGCTGCCCAATGCCATCCTG	771	GAG
Exon45-#14	5'	AACTCCAGGATGGCATTGGG	772	CAG
Exon45-#15	5'	GGGCAGCGGCAAACCTGTTGT	773	CAG
Exon52-#1	3'	AGATCTGTCAAATCGCCTGC	774	AGG
Exon52-#2	3'	AATCCTGCATTGTTGCCTGT	775	AAG
Exon52-#3	5'	CGCTGAAGAACCCTGATACT	776	AAG
Exon52-#4	3'	GAACAAATATCCCTTAGTAT	777	CAG
Exon52-#5	3'	CTGTAAGAACAAATATCCCT	778	TAG
Exon52-#6	5'	CTAAGGGATATTTGTTCTTA	779	CAG
Exon52-#8	5'	TGTTCTTACAGGCAACAATG	780	CAG
Exon52-#9	5'	CAACAATGCAGGATTTGGAA	781	CAG
Exon52-#10	5'	ACAATGCAGGATTTGGAACA	782	GAG

Exon52-#11	5'	ATTTGGAACAGAGGCGTCCC	783	CAG
Exon52-#12	5'	ACAGAGGCGTCCCCAGTTGG	784	AAG
Exon2-#1	5'	TATTTTTTTTATTTTGCATTT	785	TAG
Exon2-#2	5'	TTATTTTGCATTTTAGATGA	786	AAG
Exon2-#3	5'	ATTTTGCATTTTAGATGAAA	787	GAG
Exon2-#4	5'	TTGCATTTTAGATGAAAGAG	788	AAG
Exon2-#5	5'	ATGAAAGAGAAGATGTTCAA	789	AAG

Table 13: gRNA sequences for targeting sites in various human *Dmd* Exons

ID sgRNA	Strand	Target site	SEQ ID NO:	PAM
Exon51-#1	3'	CUACUCAGACUGUUACUCUG	790	GAG
Exon51-#2	3'	CUCAGACUGUUACUCUGGUG	791	TAG
Exon51-#3	3'	UUUUGCAAAAACCCAAAUA	792	AGG
Exon51-#4	3'	AAAAUAUUUUAGCUCCUACU	793	GGG
Exon51-#5	3'	AAAUUUUUAGCUCCUACUC	794	TGG
Exon51-#6	3'	ACUCAGACUGUUACUCUGGU	795	AGG
Exon51-#7	5'	GAGUACAGUCUGAGUAGGA	796	TGG
Exon51-#8	5'	CAGGUUGUGUCACCAGAGUA	797	TGG
Exon51-#9	3'	GUGGUUACUAAGGAAACUGC	798	AGG
Exon51-#10	5'	UAGUAACCACAGGUUGUGUC	799	AGG
Exon51-#11	3'	AGACUGUUACUCUGGUGACA	800	GAG
Exon51-#12	3'	UUACUCUGGUGACACAACCU	801	CAG
Exon51-#13	3'	UGGUGACACAACCUGUGGUU	802	GAG
Exon51-#14	3'	GUGACACAACCUGUGGUUAC	803	CAG
Exon53-#1	5'	GAAUAAAAGGAAAAUAAAU	804	TAG
Exon53-#2	5'	UCAACUAGAAUAAAAGGAAA	805	AAG

Exon53-#3	3'	GUUGAAAGAAUUCAGAAUCA	806	TAG
Exon53-#4	3'	UUAUUCUAGUUGAAAGAAUU	807	AAG
Exon53-#6	5'	AAUUCUUUCAACUAGAAUAA	808	CAG
Exon53-#7	5'	AUUCUGAAUUCUUUCAACUA	809	CAG
Exon53-#8	5'	<u>CAUCCACUGAUUCUGAAUU</u>	810	AAG
Exon53-#9	3'	UUUAUUCUAGUUGAAAGAAU	811	AGG
Exon53-#10	5'	CUGAUUCUGAAUUCUUUCA	812	TGG
Exon53-#11	5'	ACUGAUUCUGAAUUCUUUCA	813	GGG
Exon53-#12	3'	UCAGAACCGGAGGCAACAGU	814	AGG
Exon44-#1	3'	CAGGCGAUUUGACAGAUCUG	815	CAG
Exon44-#2	3'	UUGAGAAAUGGCGGCGUUUU	816	CAG
Exon44-#3	3'	GCAGGCGAUUUGACAGAUCU	817	AGG
Exon44-#4	3'	UCUAUUUUUCUUGAUCCAUA	818	TGG
Exon44-#5	3'	UAUGC UUUU ACCUGCAGGCG	819	TGG
Exon44-#6	5'	GCAGGUAAAAGCAUAUGGAU	820	AGG
Exon44-#8	5'	UUUCUCAACAGAUCUGUCA	821	TGG
Exon44-#9	5'	CCAUUUCUCAACAGAUCUGU	822	CGG
Exon44-#11	5'	AACAGAUCUGUCAAAUCGCC	823	GAG
Exon44-#13	5'	UAUAUCAUAAUGAAAACGCC	824	AAG
Exon44-#14	5'	AUUAAAUAUCUUUAUAUCAU	825	CAG
Exon44-#15	5'	UUAGCCACUGAUUAAUAUC	826	CAG
Exon44-#16	5'	CUGUUAGCCACUGAUUAAAU	827	AAG
Exon44-#17	3'	ACAGAAGCUGAACAGUUUCU	828	TAG
Exon43-#1	5'	UAAUAUAAAAUUUAAAAC	829	CAG
Exon43-#2	5'	UUUAUUCUGUAAUAUAAAA	830	AAG
Exon43-#3	5'	UCUUUUAUAUUCUGUAAUAU	831	TAG

Exon45-#1	3'	UUUUGGUAUCUUACAGGAAC	832	AGG
Exon45-#2	5'	GUAAGAUACCAAAAAGGCAA	833	AGG
Exon45-#3	5'	GGAGUUCCUGUAAGAUACCA	834	AGG
Exon45-#4	5'	UCCUGGAGUUCCUGUAAGAU	835	TGG
Exon45-#5	3'	GGAUGGCAUUGGGCAGCGGC	836	TGG
Exon45-#6	5'	AUGCCAUCCUGGAGUUCCUG	837	TGG
Exon45-#7	5'	AAUGCCAUCCUGGAGUUCCU	838	GGG
Exon45-#8	5'	CUGCCCAAUGCCAUCCUGGA	839	CGG
Exon45-#9	5'	GUUGCAUUCAAUGUUCUGAC	840	TGG
Exon45-#10	3'	UUUGGUAUCUUACAGGAACU	841	AAG
Exon45-#11	3'	ACAGGAACUCCAGGAUGGCA	842	AAG
Exon45-#12	5'	GAGUUCCUGUAAGAUACCAA	843	CAG
Exon45-#13	3'	CAGGAUGGCAUUGGGCAGCG	844	GAG
Exon45-#14	5'	CCCAAUGCCAUCCUGGAGUU	845	CAG
Exon45-#15	5'	ACAACAGUUUGCCGCUGCCC	846	CAG
Exon52-#1	3'	GCAGGCGAUUUGACAGAUCU	847	AGG
Exon52-#2	3'	ACAGGCAACAAUGCAGGAUU	848	AAG
Exon52-#3	5'	AGUAUCAGGGUUCUUCAGCG	849	AAG
Exon52-#4	3'	AUACUAAGGGAUUUUGUUC	850	CAG
Exon52-#5	3'	AGGGAUAAUUGUUCUACAG	851	TAG
Exon52-#6	5'	UAAGAACAAAUAUCCCUUAG	852	CAG
Exon52-#8	5'	CAUUGUUGCCUGUAAGAACA	853	CAG
Exon52-#9	5'	UUCCAAUCCUGCAUUGUUG	854	CAG
Exon52-#10	5'	UGUCCAAAUCCUGCAUUGU	855	GAG
Exon52-#11	5'	GGGACGCCUCUGUCCAAAU	856	CAG
Exon52-#12	5'	CCAACUGGGGACGCCUCUGU	857	AAG
Exon2-#1	5'	ACAGAGGCGUCCCCAGUUGG	858	TAG

Exon2-#2	5'	UCAUCUAAAAUGCAAAAUAA	859	AAG
Exon2-#3	5'	UUUCAUCUAAAAUGCAAAAU	860	GAG
Exon2-#4	5'	CUCUUCAUCUAAAAUGCAA	861	AAG
Exon2-#5	5'	UUGAACAUCUUCUCUUUCAU	862	AAG

Table 14: Genomic targeting sequence for sgRNAs targeting dog *Dmd* Exon 51

ID sgRNA	Strand	Target site	SEQ ID NO:	PAM
Ex51-SA-2	3'	CACCAGAGTAACAGTCTGAC	863	TGG

Table 15: gRNA sequence for targeting dog *Dmd* Exon 51

ID sgRNA	Strand	Target site	SEQ ID NO:	PAM
Ex51-SA-2	3'	GUCAGACUGUUACUCUGGUG	864	TGG

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Table 16 – Exon 43 & 45 gRNA sequences

sgRNA ID	Sequence (5'-3')	SEQ ID NO.
Ex45-gRNA#3	CGCTGCCCAATGCCATCCTG	948
Ex45-gRNA#4	ATCTTACAGGAACTCCAGGA	949
Ex45-gRNA#5	AGGAACTCCAGGATGGCATT	950
Ex45-gRNA#6	CGCTGCCCAATGCCATCC	951
Ex43-gRNA#1	GTTTTAAAATTTTTATATTA	952
Ex43-gRNA#2	TTTTATATTACAGAATATAA	953
Ex43-gRNA#4	TATGTGTTACCTACCCTTGT	954
Ex43-gRNA#6	GTACAAGGACCGACAAGGGT	955

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Table 17 – Exon 43 & 45 gRNA sequences

sgRNA ID	Sequence (5'-3')	SEQ ID NO.
Ex45-gRNA#3	CAGGAUGGCAUUGGGCAGCG	956
Ex45-gRNA#4	UCCUGGAGUCCUGUAAGAU	957
Ex45-gRNA#5	AAUGCCAUCCUGGAGUCCU	958
Ex45-gRNA#6	GGAUGGCAUUGGGCAGCG	959
Ex43-gRNA#1	UAAUAUAAAAUUUUAAAAC	960
Ex43-gRNA#2	UUAUAUUCUGUAAUAUAAAA	961
Ex43-gRNA#4	ACAAGGGUAGGUAACACAUA	962
Ex43-gRNA#6	ACCCUUGUCGGUCCUUGUAC	963
Ex45-gRNA#3'	CGCUGCCCAAUGCCAUCCUG	964
Ex45-gRNA#4'	AUCUACAGGAACUCCAGGA	965
Ex45-gRNA#5'	AGGAACUCCAGGAUGGCAUU	966
Ex45-gRNA#6'	CGCUGCCCAAUGCCAUCC	967
Ex43-gRNA#1'	GUUUUAAAAUUUUUAUUA	968
Ex43-gRNA#2'	UUUUUAUUACAGAAUAUAA	969
Ex43-gRNA#4'	UAUGUGUUACCUACCCUUGU	970
Ex43-gRNA#6'	GUACAAGGACCGACAAGGGU	971

Targeted gRNA Exon	Guide #	Strand	PAM	DNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.	RNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.
Human-Exon 51	19	-1	TTTC	CTTAGTAACCCACAGTTGTGTGCAC	987	CUUAGUAAACCACAGGUUGUGUCAC	1320
Human-Exon 51	20	-1	TTTG	GAGATGGCAGTTTCCTTAGTAACC	988	GAGAUAGGAGUUUCCUUAGUAAACC	1321
Human-Exon 51	21	-1	TTTC	TAGTTTGGAGATGGCAGTTTCCCTT	999	UAGUUUGGAGAUAGGCGAGUUUCCUU	1322
Human-Exon 51	22	-1	TTTT	TTCTCATAACCTTCTGCTTGTATGAT	1000	UUCUCAUACCUUCUCGUUGAUGAU	1323
Human-Exon 51	23	-1	TTTA	TCATTTTTTCTCATAACCTTCTGCT	1001	UCAUUUUUUUCUCAUACCUUCUCUCU	1324
Human-Exon 51	24	-1	TTTT	ATCATTTTTTCTCATAACCTTCTGCT	1002	AUCAUUUUUUUCUCAUACCUUCUCGC	1325
Human-Exon 51	25	-1	TTTA	AAGAAAAAATCTTCTGCCAACCTTTTA	1003	AAGAAAAACUUCUCGCCAACUUUUA	1326
Human-Exon 51	26	-1	TTTT	AAAGAAAAAATCTTCTGCCAACCTTTT	1004	AAAGAAAAACUUCUCGCCAACUUUU	1327
Human-Exon 51	27	1	TTTT	TCTTTAAAAATGAAGATTTTCCACC	1005	UCUUUAAAAUUGAAGAUUUUCCACC	1328
Human-Exon 51	28	1	TTTT	CTTTAAAAATGAAGATTTTCCACCA	1006	CUUUAAAAUUGAAGAUUUUCCACCA	1329
Human-Exon 51	29	1	TTTC	TTTTAAAAATGAAGATTTTCCACCAA	1007	UUUAAAAUUGAAGAUUUUCCACCAA	1330
Human-Exon 51	30	1	TTTA	AAATGAAGATTTTCCACCAATCAC	1008	AAUUGAAGAUUUUCCACCAUUCAC	1331
Human-Exon 51	31	1	TTTT	CCACCAATCACCTTTACTCTCCTTAG	1009	CCACCAUUCACUUUACUCUCUCCUAG	1332
Human-Exon 51	32	1	TTTC	CACCAATCACCTTTACTCTCCTTAGA	1010	CACCAUUCACUUUACUCUCUCCUAGA	1333
Human-Exon 51	33	1	TTTA	CTCTCTAGACCAATTTCCACCAG	1011	CUCUCCUAGACCAUUUCCACCAG	1334
Human-Exon 45	1	-1	tttg	agaaaagattaaacagtgctac	1012	agaaaagannaacagugucnac	1335
Human-Exon 45	2	-1	TTTa	tttgagaaaagattaaacagtgctg	1013	uuugagaaaagannaacagugug	1336

Targeted gRNA Exon	Guide #	Strand	PAM	DNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.	RNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.
Human-Exon 45	3	-1	TTTT	attfigagaaaagattaaacaggt	1014	amungagaaaaagauuaaacagugu	1337
Human-Exon 45	4	-1	TTTT	Tattfigagaaaagattaaacagtg	1015	Uaunungagaaaagauuaaacagug	1338
Human-Exon 45	5	1	tfta	atctfttctcaaatAAAAAGACAT	1016	aucunucucaaanAAAAAGACAU	1339
Human-Exon 45	6	1	tftt	ctcaaatAAAAAGACATGGGGCTT	1017	cucaaanAAAAAGACAUGGGGGCUU	1340
Human-Exon 45	7	1	fttc	tcaaatAAAAAGACATGGGGCTTC	1018	ucaaanAAAAAGACAUGGGGGCUUC	1341
Human-Exon 45	8	1	TTTT	TGTTTTGGCCTTTTTGGTATCTTAC	1019	UGUUUUGCCUUUUUUGGUUUCUUAC	1342
Human-Exon 45	9	1	TTTT	GTTTTGCCCTTTTTGGTATCTTACA	1020	GUUUUGCCUUUUUUGGUUUCUUACA	1343
Human-Exon 45	10	1	TTTG	TTTTGCCCTTTTTGGTATCTTACAG	1021	UUUUGCCUUUUUUGGUUUCUUACAG	1344
Human-Exon 45	11	1	TTTT	GCCTTTTGGTATCTTACAGGAAC	1022	GCCUUUUUUGGUUUCUUACAGGAAC	1345
Human-Exon 45	12	1	TTTG	CCTTTTGGTATCTTACAGGAACT	1023	CCUUUUUGGUUUCUUACAGGAACU	1346
Human-Exon 45	13	1	TTTT	TGGTATCTTACAGGAACCTCCAGGA	1024	UGGUUUCUUACAGGAACUCCAGGA	1347
Human-Exon 45	14	1	TTTT	GGTATCTTACAGGAACCTCCAGGAT	1025	GGUUCUUACAGGAACUCCAGGAU	1348
Human-Exon 45	15	-1	TTTG	AGGATTGCTGAAATTAATTTCTTCCC	1026	AGGAUUGCUGAAUUUUUUUUUUCCC	1349
Human-Exon 45	16	-1	TTTT	GAGGATTGCTGAAATTAATTTCTTCC	1027	GAGGAUUGCUGAAUUUUUUUUUUCCC	1350
Human-Exon 45	17	-1	TTTT	TGAGGATTGCTGAAATTAATTTCTTC	1028	UGAGGAUUGCUGAAUUUUUUUUUUUU	1351
Human-Exon 45	18	-1	TTTC	CTGTAGAATACTGGCACTCTGTTTT	1029	CUGUAGAAUACUGGCAUCUGUUUU	1352
Human-Exon 45	19	-1	TTTT	CCTGTAGAATACTGGCACTCTGTTTT	1030	CCUGUAGAAUACUGGCAUCUGUUUU	1353

Targeted gRNA Exon	Guide #	Strand	PAM	DNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.	RNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.
Human-Exon 53	11	-1	TTTT	CTTTTGGATTGCATCTACTGTATA	1082	CUUUUGGAUUUGCAUCUACUGUAUA	1405
Human-Exon 53	12	-1	TTTC	TGTGATTTCTTTTGGATTGCATC	1083	UGUGAUUUUUUUUUUGGAUUUGCAUC	1406
Human-Exon 53	13	-1	TTTG	ATACTAACCTTGGTTTCTGTGATT	1084	AUACUAAACCUUGGUUUUCUGUGAUU	1407
Human-Exon 53	14	-1	TTTA	AAAAGGTATCTTTTGATACTAACCT	1085	AAAAGGUAUUUUUUGAUACUAAACCU	1408
Human-Exon 53	15	-1	TTTT	AAAAGGTATCTTTTGATACTAACCC	1086	AAAAGGUAUUUUUUGAUACUAAACC	1409
Human-Exon 53	16	-1	TTTA	TTTTAAAAGGTATCTTTTGATACT	1087	UUUUAAAAGGUAUUUUUUGAUACU	1410
Human-Exon 53	17	-1	TTTT	ATTTTAAAAGGTATCTTTTGATACT	1088	AUUUUAAAAGGUAUUUUUUGAUAC	1411
Human-Exon 46	1	-1	TTTG	TAAATGCAAACTGGGACACAAACA	1089	UUAUUGCAAACUUGGGACACAAACA	1412
Human-Exon 46	2	1	TTTT	TAAATTGCCATGTTTGTGTCCCAG	1090	UAAAUUUGCCAUGUUUUUGUGUCCCAG	1413
Human-Exon 46	3	1	TTTT	AAATTGCCATGTTTGTGTCCCAGT	1091	AAAUUGCCAUGUUUUUGUGUCCCAGU	1414
Human-Exon 46	4	1	TTTA	AATTGCCATGTTTGTGTCCCAGTT	1092	AAUUGCCAUGUUUUUGUGUCCCAGUU	1415
Human-Exon 46	5	1	TTTG	TGTCCCAGTTTGCATTACAAATA	1093	UGUCCCAGUUUUUGCAUUAAACAAUA	1416
Human-Exon 46	6	-1	tttC	CAACATAGTTCTCAAACATAATTGT	1094	CAACAUAGUUCUCAAAACUAAUUUGU	1417
Human-Exon 46	7	-1	tttt	CCAACATAGTTCTCAAACATAATTG	1095	CCAACAUAGUUCUCAAAACUAAUUUG	1418
Human-Exon 46	8	-1	tttt	tCCAACATAGTTCTCAAACATAATT	1096	uCCAACAUAGUUCUCAAAACUAAUUU	1419
Human-Exon 46	9	-1	tttt	tttCCAACATAGTTCTCAAACATA	1097	uuuuCCAACAUAGUUCUCAAAACUAAU	1420
Human-Exon 46	10	-1	tttt	ttttCCAACATAGTTCTCAAACATA	1098	uuuuuCCAACAUAGUUCUCAAAACUA	1421

Targeted gRNA Exon	Guide #	Strand	PAM	DNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.	RNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.
Human-Exon 46	11	-1	tttt	ttttCCAACATAGTTCTCAAACCT	1099	uuuuuCCAACAACAUAGUUCUCAAAACU	1422
Human-Exon 46	12	1	TTTG	CATTAACAAAATAGTTTGAGAACTA	1100	CAUUAACAACAAUAGUUUGAGAAACUA	1423
Human-Exon 46	13	1	TTTT	AGAACTATGTTGGaaaaaaaTA	1101	AGAAACUAGUUUGGaaaaaaaUA	1424
Human-Exon 46	14	-1	TTTT	GTTCTTCTAGCCTGGAGAAAAGAAG	1102	GUUCUUCUAGCCUGGAGAAAAGAAG	1425
Human-Exon 46	15	1	TTTT	ATTCTTCTTTTCCAGGCTAGAAG	1103	AUUCUUUCUUUCUCCAGGCUAGAAG	1426
Human-Exon 46	16	1	TTTA	TTCTTCTTTTCTCCAGGCTAGAAGA	1104	UUCUUUCUUUCUCCAGGCUAGAAGA	1427
Human-Exon 46	17	1	TTTC	TCCAGGCTAGAAAGAACAAAAAGAAT	1105	UCCAGGCUAGAAAGAACAAAAAGAAU	1428
Human-Exon 46	18	-1	TTTT	AAATTCTGACAAGATATTTCTTTTG	1106	AAAUUCUGACAAGAAUUAUCUUUUUG	1429
Human-Exon 46	19	-1	TTTT	CTTTTAGTTGCTGCTCTTTTCCAG	1107	CUUUUAGUUUCUUCUUUUUCCAG	1430
Human-Exon 46	20	-1	TTTT	AGAAAATAAAATACCTTGACTTG	1108	AGAAAUAUAAAAUUACCUUGACUUUG	1431
Human-Exon 46	21	-1	TTTA	TGCAAGCAGGCCCTGGGGGATTTG	1109	UGCAAAGCAGGCCCUUGGGGGAUUUG	1432
Human-Exon 46	22	1	TTTT	ATTTTCTCAAATCCCCCAGGGCCT	1110	AUUUUUCUAAAUCUCCCCCAGGGCCU	1433
Human-Exon 46	23	1	TTTA	TTTTTCAAATCCCCCAGGGCCTG	1111	UUUUUCUAAAUCUCCCCCAGGGCCUG	1434
Human-Exon 46	24	1	TTTT	CTCAAATCCCCCAGGGCCTGCTTG	1112	CUCAAUUCCCCCAGGGCCUUGCUUG	1435
Human-Exon 46	25	1	TTTC	TCAAATCCCCCAGGGCCTGCTTGC	1113	UCAAAUCCCCCAGGGCCUUGCUUGC	1436
Human-Exon 46	26	1	TTTT	TTAATTCAATCAATTGTTTTTCTGTC	1114	UUAUUUCAAUCAUUGGUUUUUUCUGC	1437
Human-Exon 46	27	1	TTTT	TAAATTCATCAATTGGTTTTTCTGCC	1115	UAAUUCAAUCAUUGGUUUUUUCUGCC	1438

Targeted gRNA Exon	Guide #	Strand	PAM	DNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.	RNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.
Human-Exon 46	28	1	TTTT	AATTC AATCAATCATTTGGTTTTTCTGCCC	1116	AAUUC AAU CAUUGGUUUUUCUGCCC	1439
Human-Exon 46	29	1	TTTA	ATTCAATCAATTTGGTTTTTCTGCCCA	1117	AUUC AAU CAUUGGUUUUUCUGCCCA	1440
Human-Exon 46	30	-1	TTTA	GCAAGGA AACTATGAAATAACCTAAT	1118	GCAAGGA A CU AU GAAU AACCCUAAU	1441
Human-Exon 46	31	1	TTTT	CTGCCCAATTAGGTTATTCATAGTT	1119	CUGCCCAUUAGGUU AUUCAUAGUU	1442
Human-Exon 46	32	1	TTTC	TGCCCAATTAGGTTATTCATAGTTC	1120	UGCCCAUUAGGUU AUUCAUAGUUC	1443
Human-Exon 52	1	-1	TTTA	TAGAAAACA AATTTAACAGGAAATA	1121	UAGAAAACA AUUUAACAGGAAAU A	1444
Human-Exon 52	2	1	TTTC	CTGTTAAATTTGTTTTCTATAAACC	1122	CUGUUAAA UUGUUUUUUAUAAACC	1445
Human-Exon 52	3	-1	TTTA	GAAATAAAA AAGATGTTACTGTAT	1123	GAAAUAAA AAGAUGUUACUGUAU	1446
Human-Exon 52	4	-1	TTTT	AGAAATAAAA AAGATGTTACTGTA	1124	AGAAAUAAA AAGAUGUUACUGUA	1447
Human-Exon 52	5	1	TTTT	CTATAAACCC TTTATACAGTAACAT	1125	CUAUAAA ACCCUUUAUACAGUAACAU	1448
Human-Exon 52	6	1	TTTC	TATAAACCC TTTATACAGTAACATC	1126	UAUAAA ACCCUUUAUACAGUAACAU C	1449
Human-Exon 52	7	1	TTTT	TTATTTCTAAA AAGTGTTTTGGCTG	1127	UUUUUU CUAAA AAGUUUUUUGGCUG	1450
Human-Exon 52	8	1	TTTT	TATTTCTAAA AAGTGTTTTGGCTGG	1128	UAUUU CUAAA AAGUUUUUUGGCUGG	1451
Human-Exon 52	9	1	TTTT	ATTTCTAAA AAGTGTTTTGGCTGGT	1129	AUUUCUAAA AAGUUUUUUGGCUGGU	1452
Human-Exon 52	10	1	TTTA	TTTCTAAA AAGTGTTTTGGCTGGTC	1130	UUUCUAAA AAGUUUUUUGGCUGGUC	1453
Human-Exon 52	11	1	TTTC	TAAAAGTGT TTTGGCTGGTCTCAC	1131	UAAAAGU GUUUUUUGGCUGGUCAC	1454
Human-Exon 52	12	-1	TTTA	CATAATCAAAA AAGTAAAGTACAATT	1132	CAUAAUACA AAAAGUAAAGUACAAUU	1455

Targeted gRNA Exon	Guide #	Strand	PAM	DNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.	RNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.
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Human-Exon 52	14	1	TTTT	GGCTGGTCTCACAAATTGFACTTTA	1134	GGCUGGUCUCACAAUUGUACUUUA	1457
Human-Exon 52	15	1	TTTG	GCTGGTCTCACAAATTGTACTTTAC	1135	GCUGGUCUCACAAUUGUACUUUAC	1458
Human-Exon 52	16	1	TTTA	CTTTGTATTATGTAAAAGGAATAC	1136	CUUUGUAUUUUGUAAAAGGAAUAC	1459
Human-Exon 52	17	1	TTTG	TATTATGTAAAAGGAATACACAAC	1137	UAUUUUUAAAAGGAAUACACAAC	1460
Human-Exon 52	18	1	TTTG	TTCTTACAGGCAACAATGCAGGAT	1138	UUCUUACAGGCAACAUAUGCAGGGAU	1461
Human-Exon 52	19	1	TTTG	GAACAGAGGGCGTCCCCAGTTGGAA	1139	GAACAGAGGGCGUCCCCAGUUGGAA	1462
Human-Exon 52	20	-1	TTTG	GGCAGCGGTAATGAGTTCCTCCAA	1140	GGCAGCGGUAAUAGAGUUUUUUCAA	1463
Human-Exon 52	21	-1	TTTT	TCAAAATTTGGCAGCGGTAATGA	1141	UCAAAUUUUUGGCAGCGGUAAUUGA	1464
Human-Exon 52	22	1	TTTG	AAAAACAAGACCCAGCAATCAAGAG	1142	AAAAACAAGACCCAGCAAUCAAAGAG	1465
Human-Exon 52	23	-1	TTTG	TGTGTCCCATGCTTGTAAAAAAC	1143	UGUGUCCCAUGCUUUUUAAAAAAC	1466
Human-Exon 52	24	1	TTTT	TTAACAAAGCATGGGACACACAAAG	1144	UUAACAAAGCAUUGGGACACACAAAG	1467
Human-Exon 52	25	1	TTTT	TACAAGCATGGGACACACAAAGC	1145	UAACAAGCAUUGGGACACACAAAGC	1468
Human-Exon 52	26	1	TTTT	AACAAGCATGGGACACACAAAGCA	1146	AACAAGCAUUGGGACACACAAAGCA	1469
Human-Exon 52	27	1	TTTA	ACAAGCATGGGACACACAAAGCAA	1147	ACAAGCAUUGGGACACACAAAGCAA	1470
Human-Exon 52	28	-1	TTTA	TTGAAACTTGTTCATGCATCTTGCT	1148	UUGAAAACUUUGCAUUGCAUCUUGCU	1471
Human-Exon 52	29	-1	TTTT	ATTGAAACTTGTTCATGCATCTTGC	1149	AUUGAAAACUUUGCAUUGCAUCUUGC	1472

Targeted gRNA Exon	Guide #	Strand	PAM	DNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.	RNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.
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Human-Exon 43	3	1	TTTT	CTCTTTCTATAGACAGCTAATTC	1168	CUCUUUCUUAUAGACAGCUAAUUC	1491
Human-Exon 43	4	-1	TTTA	AAACAGTAAAAAATGAATTAGCT	1169	AAACAGUAAAAAAUAGAAUUAGCU	1492
Human-Exon 43	5	1	TTTC	TCCTTTCTATAGACAGCTAATTC	1170	UCUUUCUUAUAGACAGCUAAUUC	1493
Human-Exon 43	6	-1	TTTT	AAACAGTAAAAAATGAATTAGC	1171	AAACAGUAAAAAAUAGAAUUAGC	1494
Human-Exon 43	7	1	TTTC	TATAGACAGCTAATTCATTTTTTT	1172	UAUAGACAGCUAAUUCUUUUUUU	1495
Human-Exon 43	8	-1	TTTA	TATTTCTGTAATATAAAAAATTTTAA	1173	UAUUCUGUAAUUAUAAAAUUUUUA	1496
Human-Exon 43	9	-1	TTTT	ATATTTCTGTAATATAAAAAATTTTA	1174	AUAUUUCUGUAAUUAUAAAAUUUUUA	1497
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Human-Exon 43	11	1	TTTT	TTACTGTTTTAAAAATTTTTATAT	1176	UUACUGUUUUAAAAUUUUUUUAU	1499
Human-Exon 43	12	1	TTTT	TACTGTTTTAAAAATTTTTATATTA	1177	UACUGUUUUAAAAUUUUUUUAUUA	1500
Human-Exon 43	13	1	TTTT	ACTGTTTTAAAAATTTTTATATTA	1178	ACUGUUUUAAAAUUUUUUUAUUA	1501
Human-Exon 43	14	1	TTTA	CTGTTTTAAAAATTTTTATATTA	1179	CUGUUUUAAAAUUUUUUUAUUA	1502
Human-Exon 43	15	1	TTTT	AAAAATTTTTATATTTACAGAAATATA	1180	AAAAUUUUUAUUUUACAGAAUUA	1503
Human-Exon 43	16	1	TTTA	AAATTTTTATATTTACAGAAATATA	1181	AAAAUUUUUAUUUUACAGAAUUA	1504
Human-Exon 43	17	-1	TTTG	TTGAGACTATCTTTTATATTTCTG	1182	UUGUAGACUUCUUUUUAUUUUUCUG	1505
Human-Exon 43	18	1	TTTT	TATATTACAGAAATATAAAGATAG	1183	UAUUAUUACAGAAUUAUAAAAGAUAG	1506

Targeted gRNA Exon	Guide #	Strand	PAM	DNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.	RNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.
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Human-Exon 43	22	1	TTTC	CAATGGGAAAAAGTTAACAAAAATG	1187	CAAUGGGAAAAAGUUAAACAAAAUG	1510
Human-Exon 43	23	-1	TTTC	TGCAAGTATCAAGAAAAATATATG	1188	UGCAAGUAUCAAGAAAAUUUAUUG	1511
Human-Exon 43	24	1	TTTT	TCTTGATACCTTGCGAAAAATGATTT	1189	UCUUGAUACUUGCAGAAAAUGAUUUU	1512
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Human-Exon 43	26	1	TTTC	TTGATACCTTGCGAAAAATGATTTGT	1191	UUGAUACUUGCAGAAAAUGAUUUUGU	1514
Human-Exon 43	27	1	TTTG	TTTTCAGGGAAGTGTAGAAATTTAT	1192	UUUUCAGGGAACUCUGAGAAUUUUAU	1515
Human-Exon 43	28	-1	TTTC	CATGGAGGGTACTGAAATAAATTC	1193	CAUGGAGGGUACUGAAAAUAAAAUUC	1516
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Human-Exon 43	34	-1	TTTC	CCTGTCTTTTTTCCATGGAGGGTA	1199	CCUGUCUUUUUUUCCAUUGGAGGGUA	1522
Human-Exon 43	35	-1	TTTT	CCCTGTCTTTTTTTCCATGGAGGGT	1200	CCCUGUCUUUUUUUCCAUUGGAGGGU	1523

Targeted gRNA Exon	Guide #	Strand	PAM	DNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.	RNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.
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Human-Exon 43	38	1	TTTC	AGTACCCCTCCATGGAAAAAAGACA	1203	AGUACCCUCCAUUGGAAAAAAGACA	1526
Human-Exon 6	1	1	TTTA	AGTTTGCATGGTTCTTGCTCAAGG	1204	AGUUUGCAUGGUUCUUGCUCAAAG	1527
Human-Exon 6	2	-1	TTTC	ATAAGAAAAATGCATTCCTTGAGCA	1205	AUAAGAAAAUGCAUUCUUUGAGCA	1528
Human-Exon 6	3	-1	TTTT	CATAAGAAAAATGCATTCCTTGAGC	1206	CAUAAGAAAAUGCAUUCUUUGAGC	1529
Human-Exon 6	4	1	TTTG	CATGGTTCTTGCTCAAGGAATGCA	1207	CAUGGUUCUUGCUCAAAGGAUUGCA	1530
Human-Exon 6	5	-1	TTTG	ACCTACATGTGGAATAAAATTTT	1208	ACCUACAUGUGGAAAAUAAUUUUUC	1531
Human-Exon 6	6	-1	TTTT	GACCTACATGTGGAATAAAATTTT	1209	GACCUACAUGUGGAAAAUAAUUUUU	1532
Human-Exon 6	7	-1	TTTT	TGACCTACATGTGGAATAAAATTT	1210	UGACCUACAUGUGGAAAAUAAUUUUU	1533
Human-Exon 6	8	1	TTTT	CTTATGAAAAATTTATTTCCACATG	1211	CUUAUGAAAAUUUUAUUUCCACAUG	1534
Human-Exon 6	9	1	TTTC	TTATGAAAAATTTATTTCCACATGT	1212	UU AUGAAAAUUUUAUUUCCACAUGU	1535
Human-Exon 6	10	-1	TTTC	ATTACATTTTGGACCTACATGTGG	1213	AUUACAUUUUUGACCUACAUGUGG	1536
Human-Exon 6	11	-1	TTTT	CATTACATTTTGGACCTACATGTG	1214	CAUUACAUUUUUGACCUACAUGUG	1537
Human-Exon 6	12	-1	TTTT	TCATTACATTTTGGACCTACATGT	1215	UCAUUACAUUUUUGACCUACAUGU	1538
Human-Exon 6	13	1	TTTA	TTTCCACATGTAGGTCAAAAATGT	1216	UUUCCACAUGUAGGUCAAAAAUUGU	1539
Human-Exon 6	14	1	TTTC	CACATGTAGGTCAAAAATGTAATG	1217	CACAUGUAGGUCAAAAUAUGUAAUG	1540

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Human-Exon 6	15	-1	TTTG	TTGCAATCCAGCCATGATATTTT	1218	UUGCAAUCCAGCCGAUAUUUUU	1541
Human-Exon 6	16	-1	TTTC	ACTGTTGGTTTGGTTGCAATCCAGC	1219	ACUGUUGGUUUUGUUGCAAUCCAGC	1542
Human-Exon 6	17	-1	TTTT	CACTGTTGGTTTGTGCAATCCAG	1220	CACUGUUGGUUUUGUUGCAAUCCAG	1543
Human-Exon 6	18	1	TTTTG	AATGCTCTCATCCATAGTCATAGG	1221	AAUGCUCUCAUCCAUAGUCAUAGG	1544
Human-Exon 6	19	-1	TTTA	ATGTCTCAGTAACTTCTTACCTA	1222	AUGUCUCAGUAAUUCUUUACCUA	1545
Human-Exon 6	20	-1	TTTA	CAAGTTATTTAATGTCTCAGTAAT	1223	CAAGUUAUUUAAUGUCUCAGUAAU	1546
Human-Exon 6	21	-1	TTTT	CAAAGTTATTTAATGTCTCAGTAA	1224	ACAAGUUUUUAAUUGUCUCAGUAA	1547
Human-Exon 6	22	1	TTTA	GACTCTGATGACATATTTTCCCC	1225	GACUCUGAUGACAUUUUUUCCCC	1548
Human-Exon 6	23	1	TTTT	TCCCCAGTATGGTCCAGATCATG	1226	UCCCCAGUAUGGUUCCAGAUCAUG	1549
Human-Exon 6	24	1	TTTT	CCCCAGTATGGTCCAGATCATGT	1227	CCCCAGUAUGGUUCCAGAUCAUGU	1550
Human-Exon 6	25	1	TTTC	CCCAGTATGGTCCAGATCATGTC	1228	CCCAGUAUGGUUCCAGAUCAUGUC	1551
Human-Exon 7	1	1	TTTA	TATTTGTCTTtgtatgtgtgta	1229	UAUUUGUCUUuguguaugugua	1552
Human-Exon 7	2	1	TTTG	TCTTtgtatgtgtgtatgta	1230	UCUUugtuguauguguaugugua	1553
Human-Exon 7	3	1	TTtg	tgtatgtgtatgtatgtgt	1231	uguauguguauguguauguguu	1554
Human-Exon 7	4	1	tTTT	AGCCAGACCTATTTGACTGGAAT	1232	AGGCCAGACCUUUUUGACUGGAAU	1555
Human-Exon 7	5	1	tTTA	GGCCAGACCTATTTGACTGGAATA	1233	GGCCAGACCUUUUUGACUGGAAUA	1556
Human-Exon 7	6	1	TTTTG	ACTGGAATAGTGTGGTTTGCCAGC	1234	ACUGGAAUAGUGUGGUUUUGCCAGC	1557

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Human-Exon 7	7	1	TTTG	CCAGCAGTCAGCCACACAACGACT	1235	CCAGCAGUCAGCCACACAACGACU	1558
Human-Exon 7	8	-1	TTTC	TCTATGCCTAAATTGATATCTGGCG	1236	UCUAUGCCUAAUUGAUUUCUGGCG	1559
Human-Exon 7	9	-1	TTTA	CCAACCTTCAGGATCGAGTAGTGT	1237	CCAACCUUCAGGAUCGAGUAGUUU	1560
Human-Exon 7	10	1	TTTC	TGGACTACCACTGCTTTTAGTATG	1238	UGGACUACCCACUCGUUUUAGUUAUG	1561
Human-Exon 7	11	1	TTTT	AGTATGGTAGAGTTTAAATGTTTTT	1239	AGUAUGGUAGAGUUUAAUGUUUUUC	1562
Human-Exon 7	12	1	TTTA	GTATGGTAGAGTTTAAATGTTTTTCA	1240	GU AUGGUAGAGUUUAAUGUUUUUCA	1563
Human-Exon 8	1	-1	TTTG	AGACTCTAAAAAGGATAATGAACAA	1241	AGACUCUAAAAAGGAUAAUGAACAA	1564
Human-Exon 8	2	1	TTTA	ACTTTGATTTGTTCAITTCCTTT	1242	ACUUUGAUUUUGUUCAUUAUCCUUU	1565
Human-Exon 8	3	-1	TTTC	TATATTTGAGACTCTAAAAAGGATA	1243	UAUAAUUUGAGACUCUAAAAAGGAUA	1566
Human-Exon 8	4	1	TTTG	ATTTGTTCAITTCCTTTTAGAGT	1244	AUUUGUUCAUUAUCCUUUUUAGAGU	1567
Human-Exon 8	5	-1	TTTG	GTTTCTATATTTGAGACTCTAAAA	1245	GUUUUUAUUUGAGACUCUAAAA	1568
Human-Exon 8	6	-1	TTTT	GGTTTCTATATTTGAGACTCTAAA	1246	GGUUUUAUUUGAGACUCUAAA	1569
Human-Exon 8	7	-1	TTTT	TGGTTTCTATATTTGAGACTCTAA	1247	UGGUUUUAUUUGAGACUCUAAA	1570
Human-Exon 8	8	1	TTTG	TTCATTATCCTTTTAGAGTCTCAA	1248	UUCAUUUUAUUUGAGACUCUAAA	1571
Human-Exon 8	9	1	TTTT	AGAGTCTCAAATATAGAAACCAAAA	1249	AGAGUCUCAAAAUUAGAAACCAAAA	1572
Human-Exon 8	10	1	TTTA	GAGTCTCAAATATAGAAACCAAAA	1250	GAGUCUCAAAAUUAGAAACCAAAA	1573
Human-Exon 8	11	-1	TTTC	CAC TTCCTGGATGGCTTCAATGCT	1251	CACUCCUGGAUGGCUUCAUUGCU	1574

Targeted gRNA Exon	Guide #	Strand	PAM	DNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.	RNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.
Human-Exon 8	12	1	TTTT	GCCTCAACAAGTGAGCAATTGAAGC	1252	GCCUCAACAAGUGAGCAUUUGAAGC	1575
Human-Exon 8	13	1	TTTG	CCTCAACAAGTGAGCAATTGAAGCC	1253	CCUCAACAAGUGAGCAUUUGAAGCC	1576
Human-Exon 8	14	-1	TTTA	GGTGGCCTTGCCAAACATTTCCACT	1254	GGUGGCCUUUGGCAACAUUUCACU	1577
Human-Exon 8	15	-1	TTTA	GTCACITTTAGGTGGCCTTGGCAAC	1255	GUCACUUUAGGGUGGCCUUUGGCAAC	1578
Human-Exon 8	16	-1	TTTG	ATGATGTAACCTGAAAATGTTCTTC	1256	AUGAUGUAACUGAAAUAUGUUCUUC	1579
Human-Exon 8	17	-1	TTTA	CCTGTTGAGAATAGTGCAATTTGAT	1257	CCUGUUGAGAAUAGUGCAUUUUGAU	1580
Human-Exon 8	18	1	TTTT	CAGTTACATCATCAAAATGCACTAT	1258	CAGUUACAUCAUCAAAAUGGCACUAAU	1581
Human-Exon 8	19	1	TTTC	AGTTACATCATCAAAATGCACTATT	1259	AGUUACAUCAUCAAAAUGGCACUAAU	1582
Human-Exon 8	20	-1	TTTA	CACACTTTACCTGTTGAGAAATAGT	1260	CACACUUUACCUGUUGAGAAUAGU	1583
Human-Exon 8	21	1	TTTT	CTGTTTTATATGCAITTTTTAGGTA	1261	CUGUUUUUAUUGCAUUUUUAGGUA	1584
Human-Exon 8	22	1	TTTC	TGTTTTATATGCAITTTTTAGGTAT	1262	UGUUUUUAUUGCAUUUUUAGGUAU	1585
Human-Exon 8	23	1	TTTT	ATATGCAITTTTTAGGTATTACGTG	1263	AUAUGCAUUUUUAGGUUUUACGGUG	1586
Human-Exon 8	24	1	TTTA	TATGCAITTTTTAGGTATTACGTGC	1264	UAUGCAUUUUUAGGUUUUACGGUGC	1587
Human-Exon 8	25	1	TTTT	TAGGTATTACGTGCACatataat	1265	UAGGUUUUACGGUGCACauauauau	1588
Human-Exon 8	26	1	TTTT	AGGTATTACGTGCACatataata	1266	AGGUUUUACGGUGCACauauauaua	1589
Human-Exon 8	27	1	TTTA	GGTATTACGTGCACatataatata	1267	GGUAAUUACGGUGCACauauauauau	1590
Human-Exon 55	1	-1	TTTA	AGCAACAACACTATAATATTGTGCAG	1268	AGCAACAACUAAUUUUUUGUGCAG	1591

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Human-Exon 55	2	1	TTTA	GTTCCTCCATCTTCTCTTTTAT	1269	GUUCCUCCAUUUUUCUUUUUUAU	1592
Human-Exon 55	3	1	TTTC	TCTTTTATGGAGTTCAGTGGTG	1270	UCUUUUUAUGGAGUUACACUAGGUG	1593
Human-Exon 55	4	1	TTTT	TATGGAGTTCACTAGGTGCACCAT	1271	UAUGGAGUUCAUAGGUGCACCAU	1594
Human-Exon 55	5	1	TTTT	ATGGAGTTCAGTGTGCACCAT	1272	AUGGAGUUCACUAGGUGCACCAUU	1595
Human-Exon 55	6	1	TTTA	TGGAGTTCAGTGTGCACCATTC	1273	UGGAGUUCACUAGGUGCACCAUUC	1596
Human-Exon 55	7	1	TTTA	ATAATTGCATCTGAACAATTTGGTC	1274	AUAUUUGCAUCUGAACAUAUUUGGUC	1597
Human-Exon 55	8	1	TTTG	GTCCCTTTGCAGGGTGAGTGAGCGA	1275	GUCCUUUGCAGGGUGAGUGAGCGA	1598
Human-Exon 55	9	-1	TTTC	TTCCAAAGCAGCCTCTCGCTCACT	1276	UUCCAAAGCAGCCUCUCGCUCACU	1599
Human-Exon 55	10	1	TTTG	CAGGGTGAGTGAGCGAGAGGCTGC	1277	CAGGGUGAGUGAGCGAGAGGCGC	1600
Human-Exon 55	11	1	TTTG	GAAGAAACTCATAGATTA CTGCAA	1278	GAAGAAACUCAUAGAUUACUGCAA	1601
Human-Exon 55	12	-1	TTTC	CAGGTCCAGGGGAACTGTTGCAG	1279	CAGGUCCAGGGGAAACUGUUGCAG	1602
Human-Exon 55	13	-1	TTTT	CCAGGTCCAGGGGAACTGTTGCA	1280	CCAGGUCCAGGGGAAACUGUUGCA	1603
Human-Exon 55	14	-1	TTTC	AGCTTCTGTAAAGCCAGGCAAGAAA	1281	AGCUUCUGUAAGCCAGGCAAGAAA	1604
Human-Exon 55	15	1	TTTC	TTGCCCTGGCTTACAGAAAGCTGAAA	1282	UUGCCUUGGUUACAGAAAGCUGAAA	1605
Human-Exon 55	16	-1	TTTC	CTTACGGGTAGCATCCTGTAGGAC	1283	CUUACGGGUAGCAUCCUUGUAGGAC	1606
Human-Exon 55	17	-1	TTTA	CTCCCTTGGAGTCTTCTAGGAGCC	1284	CUCCCUUGGAGUCUUCUAGGAGCC	1607
Human-Exon 55	18	-1	TTTT	ACTCCCTTGGAGTCTTCTAGGAGC	1285	ACUCCCUUGGAGUCUUCUAGGAGC	1608

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Human-Exon 55	19	-1	TTTC	ATCAGCTCTTTTACTCCCTTGGAG	1286	AUCAGCUCUUUACUCCCUUGGAG	1609
Human-Exon 55	20	1	TTTC	CGCTTTAGCACTCTTTGTGGATCCA	1287	CGCUUUAGCACUCUUUGGGAUCCA	1610
Human-Exon 55	21	1	TTTA	GCACTCTTGTGGATCCAAATTGAAC	1288	GCACUCUUUGGGAUCCA AUUGAAC	1611
Human-Exon 55	22	-1	TTTT	TCCCTGGCTTGTCAAGTACAAGTA	1289	UCCCUGGCUUUGUCAGUUACAAGUA	1612
Human-Exon 55	23	-1	TTTT	GTCCCTGGCTTGTCAAGTACAAGT	1290	GUCCCUGGCUUUGUCAGUUACAAGU	1613
Human-Exon 55	24	-1	TTTG	TTTTGTCCCTGGCTTGTCAAGTAC	1291	UUUUGUCCCUGGCUUUGUCAGUUAC	1614
Human-Exon 55	25	-1	TTTT	GTTTTGTCCCTGGCTTGTCAAGT	1292	GUUUUGUCCCUGGCUUUGUCAGUUUA	1615
Human-Exon 55	26	1	TTTG	TACTTGTAACTGACAAGCCAGGGA	1293	UACUUGUAAACUGACAAAGCCAGGGA	1616
Human-G1-exon51		1	TTTA	gCTCCTACTCAGACTGTTACTCTG	1294	gCUCCUACUCAGACUGUUUACUCUG	1617
Human-G2-exon51		1	TTTC	taccatgtattgctaacaaga	1295	uaccauguaungcuuaacaaga	1618
Human-G3-exon51		-1	TTTA	attgaagagaacaattgagcca	1296	amugagaguaacaamungagcca	1619
mouse-Exon23-G1		1	TTTG	aggctctgcaagttctTTGAAAG	1297	aggcucugcaagttctUUGAAAG	1620
mouse-Exon23-G2		1	TTTG	AAAGAGCAACAAAATGGCttcaac	1298	AAAGAGCAACAAA AUUGGCttcaac	1621
mouse-Exon23-G3		1	TTTG	AAAGAGCAATAAAAATGGCttcaac	1299	AAAGAGCAAUAAA AUUGGCttcaac	1622
mouse-Exon23-G4		-1	TTTC	AAAGAACTTTGCAGAGCctcaaaa	1300	AAAGAAAUUUGCAGAGCctcaaaa	1623

Targeted gRNA Exon	Guide #	Strand	PAM	DNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.	RNA sequence*	SEQ ID NO.
mouse-Exon2.3-G5		-1	TTTA	ctgaatactatgcaataaact	1301	cugaauaucuaugcaumaauaacu	1624
mouse-Exon2.3-G6		-1	TTTC	tattatattacaggcatattata	1302	uauuuauuuacaggcauuuuua	1625
mouse-Exon2.3-G7		1	TTTC	Aggtaagccgaggfttggccctfta	1303	Aggtaagccgaggmuggccuuua	1626
mouse-Exon2.3-G8		1	TTTA	cccagatcctcacaagatattga	1304	cccagaguccuucuaagauuuuga	1627

* In this table, upper case letters represent sgRNA nucleotides that align to the exon sequence of the gene. Lower case letters represent sgRNA nucleotides that align to the intron sequence of the gene

Table 19 – Additional gRNA targeting sequences

Name	Species	Gene	Target	Strand	Sequence	SEQ ID NO	PAM
DCR1	Human	DMD	Intron 50	+	attggcttggatttccta	1628	GGG
DCR2	Human	DMD	Intron 50	-	tgtagagtaagtcagccta	1629	TGG
DCR3	Human	DMD	Exon 51-55'	+	cctactcagactgttactc	1630	TGG
DCR4	Human	DMD	Exon 51-53'	+	ttggacagaacttaccgac	1631	TGG
DCR5	Human	DMD	Intron 51	-	cagttgcctaagaactggt	1632	GGG
DCR6	Human	DMD	Intron 44	-	GGGCTCCACCCCTCACGAGT	1633	GGG
DCR7	Human	DMD	Intron 55	+	TTTGCTTCGCTATAAAAACG	1634	AGG
DCR8	Human	DMD	Exon 41	+	TCTGAGGATGGGGCCGCAA	1635	TGG
DCR9	Human	DMD	Exon 44	-	GATCTGTCAAATCGCCTGC	1636	AGG
DCR10	Human	DMD	Exon 45	+	CCAGGATGGCATTGGGCAG	1637	CGG
DCR11	Human	DMD	Exon 45	+	CTGAATCTGCGGTGGCAGG	1638	AGG
DCR12	Human	DMD	Exon 46	-	TTCTTTTGTCTTCTAGCc	1639	TGG
DCR13	Human	DMD	Exon 46	+	GAAAAGCTTGAGCAAGTCA	1640	AGG
DCR14	Human	DMD	Exon 47	+	GAAGAGTTGCCCTGCGCC	1641	AGG
DCR15	Human	DMD	Exon 47	+	ACAAATCTCCAGTGGATAA	1642	AGG
DCR16	Human	DMD	Exon 48	-	TGTTTCTCAGGTAAAGCTC	1643	TGG
DCR17	Human	DMD	Exon 48	+	GAAGGACCATTTGACGTTa	1644	AGG
DCR18	Human	DMD	Exon 49	-	AACTGCTATTTTCAGTTTCc	1645	TGG
DCR19	Human	DMD	Exon 49	+	CCAGCCACTCAGCCAGTGA	1646	AGG
DCR20	Human	DMD	Exon 50	+	gtatgcttttctgtaaag	1647	AGG
DCR21	Human	DMD	Exon 50	+	CTCCTGGACTGACCACTAT	1648	TGG
DCR22	Human	DMD	Exon 52	+	GAACAGAGGCGTCCCCAGT	1649	TGG
DCR23	Human	DMD	Exon 52	+	GAGGCTAGAACAATCATTA	1650	CGG
DCR24	Human	DMD	Exon 53	+	ACAAGAACACCTTCAGAAC	1651	CGG
DCR25	Human	DMD	Exon 53	-	GGTTTCTGTGATTTTCTTT	1652	TGG
DCR26	Human	DMD	Exon 54	+	GGCCAAAGACCTCCGCCAG	1653	TGG
DCR27	Human	DMD	Exon 54	+	TTGGAGAAGCATTTCATAAA	1654	AGG

DCR2 8	Human	DMD	Exon 55	-	TCGCTCACTCACCctgcaa	1655	AGG
DCR2 9	Human	DMD	Exon 55	+	AAAAGAGCTGATGAAACAA	1656	TGG
DCR3 0	Human	DMD	5'UTR/ Exon 1	+	TAcACTTTTCaAAAATGCTT	1657	TGG
DCR3 1	Human	DMD	Exon 51	+	gagatgatcatcaagcaga	1658	AGG
DCR3 2	Mouse	DMD	mdx	+	ctttgaaagagcaaTaaaa	1659	TGG
DCR3 3	Human	DMD	Intron 44	-	CACAAAAGTCAAATCGGAA	1660	TGG
DCR3 4	Human	DMD	Intron 44	-	ATTTCAATATAAGATTCGG	1661	AGG
DCR3 5	Human	DMD	Intron 55	-	CTTAAGCAATCCCGAACTC	1662	TGG
DCR3 6	Human	DMD	Intron 55	-	CCTTCTTTATCCCCTATCG	1663	AGG
DCR4 0	Mouse	DMD	Exon 23	-	aggccaaacctcgcttac	1664	NNGRR
DCR4 1	Mouse	DMD	Exon 23	+	TTCGAAAATTTTCAGgtaag	1665	NNGRR
DCR4 2	Mouse	DMD	Exon 23	+	gcagaacaggagataacag	1666	NNGRRT
DCR4 3	Mouse	ACV R2B	Exon 1	+	gcggccctcgcccttctct	1667	ggggat
DCR4 8	Human	DMD	Intron 45	-	TAGTGATCGTGGATACGAG	1668	AGG
DCR4 9	Human	DMD	Intron 45	-	TACAGCCCTCGGTGTATAT	1669	TGG
DCR5 0	Human	DMD	Intron 52	-	GGAAGGAATTAAGCCCGAA	1670	TGG
DCR5 1	Human	DMD	Intron 53	-	GGAACAGCTTTCGTAGTTG	1671	AGG
DCR5 2	Human	DMD	Intron 54	+	ATAAAGTCCAGTGTGATC	1672	AGG
DCR5 3			Intron 54	+	AAAACCAGAGCTTCGGTCA	1673	AGG
DCR5 4	Mouse	Rosa2 6	ZFN region	+	GAGTCTTCTGGGCAGGCTTAA	1674	TGG
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DCR4 9	Human	DMD	Ex 51	-	gtgtcaccagagtaacagt	1676	ctgagt
DCR5 0	Human	DMD	Ex 51	+	tgatcatcaagcagaaggt	1677	atgag
DCR6 0	Mouse	DMD	Exon 23	+	AACTTCGAAAATTTTCAGgta	1678	agccgagg
DCR6 1	Mouse	DMD	Intron 22	+	gaaactcatcaaatatgcgt	1679	gttagtgt
DCR6 2	Mouse	DMD	Intron 22	-	tcatttactaactacacgcat	1680	atttgatg
DCR6 3	Mouse	DMD	Intron 22	+	gaatgaaactcatcaaatat	1681	gcgtgtta
DCR6 4	Mouse	DMD	Intron 23	-	tcatcaaatatcttgaagga	1682	ctctgggt
DCR6 5	Mouse	DMD	Intron 23	-	tgtttcatagggaaaatag	1683	gcaagttg

DCR66	Mouse	DMD	Intron 23	+	aattggaaaatgtgatggga	1684	aacagata
DCR67	Human	DMD	Exon 51	+	atgatcatcaagcagaaggt	1685	atgagaaa
DCR68	Human	DMD	Exon 51	+	agatgatcatcaagcagaag	1686	gtatgaga
DCR69	Human	DMD	Exon 51	-	catttttctcataccttct	1687	gcttgatg
DCR70	Human	DMD	Exon 51	+	tcctactcagactgttactc	1688	tggtgaca
DCR71	Human	DMD	Exon 51	-	acagggtgtgtcaccagagt	1689	aacagtct
DCR72	Human	DMD	Exon 51	-	ttatcatttttctcatacc	1690	ttctgctt
DCR73	Human	DMD	Intron 51	-	ttgcctaagaactggggga	1691	aatggctt
DCR74	Human	DMD	Intron 51	-	aaacagttgcctaagaactg	1692	gtgggaaa
DCR75	Human	DMD	Intron 51	+	ttcccaccagtcttaggc	1693	aactgttt
DCR76	Human	DMD	Intron 50	+	tggtcttgattccctaggg	1694	tccagctt
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DCR78	Human	DMD	Intron 50	-	gacctagggaaatcaaagc	1696	caatgaaa
DCR79	Human	DMD	Intron 44	-	TGAGGGCTCCACCCTCACGA	1697	GTGGGT TT
DCR80	Human	DMD	Intron 44	-	AAGGATTGAGGGCTCCACCC	1698	TCACGA GT
DCR81	Human	DMD	Intron 44	-	GCTCCACCCTCACGAGTGGG	1699	TTTGGT TC
DCR82	Human	DMD	Intron 55	-	TATCCCCTATCGAGGAAACC	1700	ACGAGT TT
DCR83	Human	DMD	Intron 55	+	GATAAAGAAGGCCTATTTCA	1701	TAGAGT TG
DCR84	Human	DMD	Intron 55	-	AGGCCTTCTTTATCCCCTAT	1702	CGAGG AAA
DCR85	Human	DMD	Intron 44	-	TGAGGGCTCCACCCTCACGA	1703	GTGGGT
DCR86	Human	DMD	Intron 55	+	GATAAAGAAGGCCTATTTCA	1704	TAGAGT
DCR1	Human	DMD	Intron 50	+	attggctttagttcccta	1705	GGG
DCR2	Human	DMD	Intron 50	-	tgtagagtaagtcagccta	1706	TGG
DCR3	Human	DMD	Exon 51-5'	+	cctactcagactgttactc	1707	TGG
DCR4	Human	DMD	Exon 51-3'	+	ttgacagaacttaccgac	1708	TGG
DCR5	Human	DMD	Intron 51	-	cagttgcctaagaactggt	1709	GGG
DCR6	Human	DMD	Intron 44	-	GGGCTCCACCCTCACGAGT	1710	GGG
DCR7	Human	DMD	Intron 55	+	TTTGCTTCGCTATAAAACG	1711	AGG
DCR8	Human	DMD	Exon 41	+	TCTGAGGATGGGGCCGCAA	1712	TGG
DCR9	Human	DMD	Exon 44	-	GATCTGTCAAATCGCCTGC	1713	AGG

DCR10	Human	DMD	Exon 45	+	CCAGGATGGCATTGGGCAG	1714	CGG
DCR11	Human	DMD	Exon 45	+	CTGAATCTGCGGTGGCAGG	1715	AGG
DCR12	Human	DMD	Exon 46	-	TTCTTTTGTCTTCTAGCc	1716	TGG
DCR13	Human	DMD	Exon 46	+	GAAAAGCTTGAGCAAGTCA	1717	AGG
DCR14	Human	DMD	Exon 47	+	GAAGAGTTGCCCTGCGCC	1718	AGG
DCR15	Human	DMD	Exon 47	+	ACAAATCTCCAGTGGATAA	1719	AGG
DCR16	Human	DMD	Exon 48	-	TGTTTCTCAGGTAAAGCTC	1720	TGG
DCR17	Human	DMD	Exon 48	+	GAAGGACCATTTGACGTTa	1721	AGG
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VII. Examples

The following examples are included to demonstrate preferred embodiments of the disclosure. It should be appreciated by those of skill in the art that the techniques disclosed in the examples which follow represent techniques discovered by the inventor to function well in the practice of the disclosure, and thus can be considered to constitute preferred modes for its practice. However, those of skill in the art should, in light of the present disclosure, appreciate that many changes can be made in the specific embodiments which are disclosed and still obtain a like or similar result without departing from the spirit and scope of the disclosure.

EXAMPLE 1

Genomic editing with CRISPR/Cas9 is a promising new approach for correcting or mitigating disease-causing mutations. Duchenne muscular dystrophy (DMD) is associated with lethal degeneration of cardiac and skeletal muscle caused by more than 3000 different mutations in the X-linked dystrophin gene (DMD). Most of these mutations are clustered in “hotspots.” There is a fortuitous correspondence between the eukaryotic splice acceptor and splice donor sequences and the protospacer adjacent motif sequences that govern prokaryotic CRISPR/Cas9 target gene recognition and cleavage. Taking advantage of this correspondence, optimal guide RNAs capable of introducing insertion/deletion (indel) mutations by nonhomologous end joining that abolish conserved RNA splice sites in 12 exons that potentially allow skipping of the most common mutant or out-of-frame DMD exons within or nearby mutational hotspots were screened. Correction of DMD mutations by exon skipping is referred to herein as “myoediting.” In proof-of-concept studies, myoediting was performed in representative induced pluripotent stem cells from multiple patients with large deletions, point mutations, or duplications within the DMD gene and efficiently restored dystrophin protein expression in derivative cardiomyocytes. In three-dimensional engineered heart muscle (EHM), myoediting of DMD mutations restored dystrophin expression and the corresponding mechanical force of contraction. Correcting only a subset of cardiomyocytes (30 to 50%) was sufficient to rescue the mutant EHM phenotype to near-normal control levels. Thus, abolishing conserved RNA splicing acceptor/donor sites and directing the splicing machinery to skip mutant or out-of-frame exons through myoediting allow correction of the cardiac abnormalities associated with DMD by eliminating the underlying genetic basis of the disease.

Identification of optimal guide RNAs to target 12 different exons associated with hotspot regions of DMD mutations

A list of the top 12 exons that, when skipped, can potentially restore the dystrophin open reading frame in most of the hotspot regions of DMD mutations is shown in Table 5. As an initial step toward correcting a majority of human DMD mutations by exon skipping, pools of guide RNAs were screened to target the top 12 exons of the human DMD gene (Fig. 1A and 1B). Three to six PAM sequences (NAG or NGG) were selected to target the 3' or 5' splice sites, respectively, of each exon (Fig. 1A and Table 5). These guide RNAs were cloned in plasmid SpCas9-2A-GFP. Indels that remove essential splice donor or acceptor sequences allow for skipping of the corresponding target exon. On the basis of the frequency of known DMD mutations, these guide RNAs would be predicted to be capable of rescuing dystrophin function in up to 60% of DMD patients.

To test the feasibility and efficacy of this strategy in the human genome, human embryonic kidney 293 cells (239 cells) were used to target the splice acceptor site of exon 51 (FIG. 1C). Transfected 293 cells were sorted by green fluorescent protein (GFP) expression, and gene editing efficiency was detected by the mismatch-specific T7E1 endo-nuclease assay (FIG. 6A). The ability of three guide RNAs (Ex51-g1, Ex51-g2, and Ex51-g3) to target the splice acceptor site of exon 51 is shown in Table 5 and Fig. 2B. In GFP-positive sorted 293 cells, Ex51-g3 showed high editing activity, whereas Ex51-g1 and Ex51-g2 had no detectable activity. Next, cleavage efficiency of guide RNAs, which target the top 12 exons, including exons 51, 45, 53, 44, 46, 52, 50, 43, 6, 7, 8, and 55, was evaluated. One or two guide RNAs with the highest efficiency of editing of each exon are shown in Fig. 1C. The selected guide RNAs for exons 51, 45, and 55 use NAG as the PAM (Table 5). Genomic polymerase chain reaction (PCR) products from the myoedited top 12 exons were cloned and sequenced (Fig. 5A and Table 20). Indels were observed that removed essential splice sites or shifted the open reading frame (Fig. 5A). In brain and kidney tissues, an N-terminally truncated form of dystrophin (Dp140) is transcribed from an alternative promoter in intron 44. Skipping of six targeted exons (exons 51, 53, 46, 52, 50, and 55) in Dp140 mRNA was confirmed in 293 cells by sequencing of reverse transcription PCR (RT-PCR) products (Fig. 5B).

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Table 20: Sequence of primers for top 12 exons.

PCR/T7E1 and RT-PCR primers				
Exon #	PCR/T7E1	SEQ ID NO:	RT-PCR	SEQ ID NO:
51	F: TTCCCTGGCAAGGTCTGA	2427	F-E47: CCCAGAAGAGCAAGATAAACTTGAA	2451
	R: ATCCTCAAGGTCACCCACC	2428	R-E52: CTCTGTTCCAAATCCTGCATTGT	2452
45	F: GTCTTTCTGTCTTGTATCCTTTGG	2429		
	R: AATGTTAGTGCCTTTCACCC	2430		
53	F: GGGAAATCAGGCTGATGGGT	2431	F-E52: CAAGACCAGCAATCAAGAGGCTAG	2453
	R: GTCTACTGTTCAATTCAGC	2432	R-E54: TCATGTGGACTTTTCTGGTATCATC	2454
44	F: GCAGGAACTATCAGAGTG	2433		
	R: ACACCTTGCTGTTACGAT	2434		
46	F: CCACCAAACCTGGCAAAT	2435	F-E45: GAACTCCAGGATGGCATTGG	2455
	R: GAACTATGAATAACCTAATGGGC AG	2436	R-E52: CTCTGTTCCAAATCCTGCATTGT	2456
52	F: TTCTTACTCAAGGCATTCAGAC	2437	F-E51: GAAACTGCCATCTCCAAACTAGAAA	2457
	R: GGTCACCACACCCATCAAT	2438	R-E54: TTCTCCAAGAGGCATTGATATTCTC	2458
50	F: TGCCTGGAGAAAGGGTTT	2439	R-E47: CCCAGAAGAGCAAGATAAACTTGAA	2459
	R: GCACAGTCAATAACACAAAGGT	2440	R-E52: CTCTGTTCCAAATCCTGCATTGT	2460
43	F: AGCGATCCACTCTCTCAGGATG	2441		
	R: GCACCTCAATGCCCAATCTGATT TACG	2442		
6	F: GGGTCTAATATGGCAGAATCCA	2443		
	R: GTTGTAAGTAGGACATGATCTG G	2444		
7	F: AGGACTATGGGCATTGGTT	2445		
	R: GTGTAGAAATGACAAGTCTCAGA TG	2446		
8	F: GAAAGCTACTCTGTTAGATGGGCT AG	2447		
	R: GGCTTTGTATATATACACGTG	2448		
55	F: GCAGCATCAAAGACAAGCA	2449	F-E52: CAAGACCAGCAATCAAGAGGCTAG	2461
	R: TCCTTACGGGTAGCATCC	2450	R-E56: GAGAGACTTTTTCCGAAGTTCAC	2462

Correction of diverse DMD patient mutations by myoediting

To evaluate the effectiveness of a single-guide RNA to correct different types of human DMD mutations by exon skipping, three DMD iPSC lines with representative types of DMD mutations were obtained: a large deletion (termed Del; lacking exons 48 to 50), a pseudo-exon mutation (termed pEx; caused by an intronic point mutation), and a duplication mutation (termed Dup). Briefly, peripheral blood mono-nuclear cells (PBMCs) obtained from whole blood were cultured and then reprogrammed into iPSCs using recombinant Sendai viral vectors expressing reprogramming factors. Cas9 and guide RNAs for correction or bypass of the mutations in iPSC myoediting on an iPSC line (also known as Del) from a DMD patient with a large deletion of exons 48 to lines were introduced into cells by nucleofection. Pools of treated cells or single clones were then differentiated into induced cardiomyocytes (iCMs) using standardized conditions. Purified iCMs were used to generate 3D-EHM and to perform functional assays (Fig. 2A).

15 Correction of a large deletion mutation

It is estimated that ~60 to 70% of DMD cases are caused by large deletions of one or more exons. Myoediting was performed on an iPSC line from a DMD patient with a large deletion of exons 48 to 50 in a hotspot. The large deletion creates a frameshift mutation and introduces a premature stop codon in exon 51, as shown in Fig. 2B. Destruction of the splice acceptor in exon 51 will, in principle, allow for splicing of exons 47 to 52, thereby reconstituting the open reading frame (Fig. 2B and Fig. 6B). Theoretically, skipping exon 51 can potentially correct ~13% of DMD patients. Optimized guide RNA Ex51-g3 and Cas9 (Fig. 2C) were nucleofected into this iPSC line, resulting in successful destruction of the splice acceptor or reframing of exon 51 by NHEJ, as demonstrated by genomic sequencing, and restoration of the open reading frame (Fig. 6B). The pool of myoedited and DMD iPSCs (Del-Cor.) was differentiated into iCMs and rescue of in-frame dystrophin mRNA expression was confirmed by sequencing of RT-PCR products from amplification of exons 47 to 52 (Fig. 2D and Fig. 6C).

Correction of a pseudo-exon mutation

30 To further extend this approach to rare mutations, attempts were made to correct a point mutation within iPSCs from a DMD patient (also known as pEx), who has a spontaneous point mutation in intron 47 (c.6913-4037T>G). This point mutation generates a novel RNA splicing acceptor site (YnNYAG) and results in a pseudo-exon of exon 47A (Fig. 2E), which encodes

a premature stop signal. Two guide RNAs (Ex47A-g1 and Ex47A-g2) were designed to precisely target the mutation (Fig. 2F and Fig. 7A and 7B). As shown in Fig. 2G, myoediting abolished the cryptic splice acceptor site and permanently skipped the pseudo-exon, restoring full-length dystrophin protein in the corrected cells (pEx-Cor.). The efficacy of exon skipping was tested by RT-PCR in these DMD iPSCs (Fig. 2G). Sequencing of the RT-PCR products confirmed that exon 47 was spliced to exon 48 (Fig. 7C).

It is noteworthy that Ex47A-g2 targets only the mutant allele because the wild-type intron lacks the PAM sequence (NAG) for SpCas9. Moreover, the T > G mutation in this patient creates a disease-specific PAM sequence (AG) for Cas9. It is also noteworthy that this type of correction restores the normal dystrophin protein without any internal deletions (Fig. 7B and 7C).

Correction of a large duplication mutation

Exon duplications account for ~10 to 15% of identified DMD-causing mutations. Myoediting was tested on an iPSC line (also known as Dup) from a DMD patient with a large duplication (exons 55 to 59), which disrupts the dystrophin open reading frame (Fig. 2H). Whole-genome sequencing and analysis the copy number variation profile in cells from this patient was performed and identified the precise insertion site in intron 54 (Fig. 2H). This insertion site (In59-In54 junction) was confirmed by PCR (Fig. 8A and Table 4).

It was hypothesized that the 5' flanking sequence of the duplicated exon 55 is identical such that one guide RNA targeting this region should be able to make two DSBs and delete the entire duplicated region (exons 55 to 59; ~150 kb). To test this hypothesis, three guide RNAs (In54-g1, In54-g2, and In54-g3) were designed to target sequences near the junction of intron 54 and exon 55 (Fig. 2I). The efficiency of DNA cutting with these guide RNAs was evaluated in 293 cells by T7E1 (Fig. 8B). Guide RNA In54-g1 was selected for subsequent experiments on Dup iPSCs. Genomic PCR products from the myoedited Dup iPSC mixture were cloned and sequenced (Fig. 8C).

To confirm the correction of the duplication mutation, the pool of treated DMD iPSCs (also known as Dup-Cor.) was differentiated into cardiomyocytes. mRNA with duplicated exons was semiquantified by RT-PCR using the duplication-specific primers (Ex59F, a forward primer in exon 59, and Ex55R, a reverse primer in exon 55) and normalized to expression of the b-actin gene (Fig. 2J and Table 4). As expected, the duplication-specific RT-PCR band was absent in wild-type (WT) cells and was decreased dramatically in Dup-Cor. cells. To confirm this result, RT-PCR on the duplication borders of exon 53 to Ex55 and Ex59

to exon 60 (Fig. 8D) was performed. The intensity of duplication-specific upper bands was decreased in corrected iCMs. Single colonies were picked from the treated mixture of cells. Duplication-specific PCR primers (F2-R1) were used to screen the corrected colonies (Fig. 8E). PCR results of three representative corrected colonies (Dup-Cor. #4, #6, and #26) and the uncorrected control (Dup) are shown in Fig. 8E. The absence of a duplication-specific PCR band in colonies 4, 6, and 26 confirmed the deletion of the duplicated DNA region.

Restoration of dystrophin protein in patient-derived iCMs by myoediting

Next, the restoration and stable expression of dystrophin protein in single clones and pools of treated iCMs was confirmed by immunocytochemistry (Fig. 3A to 3C, and Figs. 6D, 7D, and 8F) and Western blot analysis (Fig. 24, D to F). Even without clonal selection and expansion, most of the iCMs in Del-Cor., pEx-Cor., and Dup-Cor. were dystrophin-positive (Fig. 3A to 3C, and Figs. 6D, 7D, and 8F). From mixtures of myoedited Del iPSCs, two clones (#16 and #27) were picked and differentiated into cardiomyocytes. Clone #27, which has a higher dystrophin expression level, was selected for subsequent experiments (also known as Del-Cor-SC). One selected clone for corrected pEx (#19) was used for further studies (also known as pEx-Cor-SC). Two selected clones for corrected Dup (#26 and #6) were differentiated into iCMs. Clone #6 was used for functional assay experiments (also known as Dup-Cor-SC). Dystrophin protein expression levels of the corrected iCMs were estimated to be comparable to WT cardiomyocytes (50 to 100%) by immunocytochemistry and Western blot analysis (Fig. 3).

Restoration of function of patient-derived iCMs by myoediting

In addition to measuring dystrophin mRNA and protein expression by biochemical methods, functional analysis to the macroscale was used, using 3D-EHM derived from normal, DMD, and corrected DMD iCMs. Briefly, iPSCs-derived cardiomyocytes were metabolically purified by glucose deprivation. Purified cardiomyocytes were mixed with human foreskin fibroblasts (HFFs) at a 70%:30% ratio. The cell mixture was reconstituted in a mixture of bovine collagen and serum-free medium. After 4 weeks in culture, contraction experiments were performed (Fig. 4A).

EHMs from eight iPSC lines were tested: (i) WT, (ii) uncorrected Del, (iii) Del-Cor-SC, (iv) uncorrected pEx, (v) pEx-Cor., (vi) pEx-Cor-SC, (vii) uncorrected Dup, and (viii) Dup-Cor-SC. Functional phenotyping of DMD and corrected DMD cardiomyocytes in EHM revealed a contractile dysfunction in all DMD EHMs (Del, pEx, and Dup) compared to WT EHMs (Fig. 4B to 4E). A more pronounced contractile dysfunction was seen in Del compared

with pEx and Dup EHM. Force of contraction (FOC) was markedly reduced in DMD EHMs and was significantly improved in corrected DMD EHMs (Del- Cor-SC, pEx-Cor-SC, and Dup-Cor-SC) (Fig. 4B to 4E) with completely restored cardiomyocyte maximal inotropic capacity in Dup-Cor-SC (Fig. 4D and 4E).

5 Because current gene therapy delivery methods are only able to affect a portion of the heart muscle, an obvious question is what percentage of corrected cardiomyocytes is needed to rescue the phenotype of DCM. To address this question, DMD cells (Del) and corrected DMD cells (Del-Cor-SC) were precisely mixed to simulate a wide range of “therapeutic efficiency” (10 to 100%) in EHM (Fig. 4F). This revealed that 30 to 50% of cardiomyocytes need to be
10 repaired for partial (30%) or maximal (50%) rescue of the contractile phenotype (Fig. 4F). These findings are consistent with previous in vivo studies showing that mosaic dystrophin expression in 50% cardiomyocytes in carrier mice resulted in a near-normal cardiac phenotype. Our findings show that contractile dysfunction was efficiently restored in corrected DMD EHM to a comparable level of WT EHM. Myoediting is thus a highly specific and efficient approach
15 to rescue clinical phenotypes of DMD in EHM.

Discussion

The DMD gene is the largest known gene in the human genome, encompassing 2.6 million base pairs and encoding 79 exons. The large size and complicated structure of the DMD
20 gene contribute to its high rate of spontaneous mutation. There are ~3000 documented mutations in humans, which include large deletions or duplications (~77%), small indels (~12%), and point mutations (~9%). These mutations mainly affect exons; however, intronic mutations can alter the splicing pattern and cause the disease, as shown here for the pEx mutation.

25 To potentially simplify the correction of diverse DMD mutations by CRISPR/Cas9 gene editing, guide RNAs were identified that are capable of skipping the top 12 exons, which account for ~60% of DMD patients. Thus, it is not necessary to design individual guides for each DMD mutation or excise large genomic regions with pairs of guide RNAs.

Rather, patient mutations can be grouped such that skipping of individual exons can
30 restore dystrophin expression in large numbers of patients. In the proof-of-concept study described in Example 1, the optimized myoediting approach using only one guide RNA efficiently restored the DMD open reading frame in a wide spectrum of mutation types, including large deletions, point mutations, and duplications, which cover most of the DMD

population. Even relatively large and complex deletions can be corrected by a single cut in the DNA sequence that eliminates a splice acceptor or donor site without the requirement for multiple guide RNAs to direct simultaneous cutting at distant sites with ligation of DNA ends. Although exon-skipping mainly converts DMD to milder BMD, for a subset of patients with duplication or pseudo-exon mutations, myoediting can eliminate the mutations and restore the production of normal dystrophin protein, as we have shown in this study for pEx and Dup mutations.

Dilated cardiomyopathy, characterized by contractile dysfunction and ventricular chamber enlargement, is one of the main causes of death in DMD patients. However, because of the marked interspecies differences in cardiac physiology and anatomy, as well as the natural history of the disease, the shortened longevity of these animals (~2 years), and the small size of their hearts (1/3000 the size of the human heart), cardiomyopathy is not generally observed in mouse models of DMD at the young age. To overcome limitations and shortcomings of 2D cell culture systems and small animal models, human iPSC-derived 3D-EHM was used to show that dystrophin mutations impaired cardiac contractility and sensitivity to calcium concentration. Contractile dysfunction was observed in DMD EHM, resembling the DCM clinical phenotype of DMD patients. Contractile dysfunction was partially-to-fully restored in corrected DMD EHM by myoediting. Thus, genome editing represents an effective means of eliminating the genetic cause and correcting the muscle and cardiac abnormalities associated with DMD. The data presented herein further demonstrate that EHM serves as a suitable preclinical tool to approximate therapeutic efficiency of myoediting.

Human CRISPR clinical trials received approval in China and the United States. One key concern for the CRISPR/Cas9 system is specificity because off-target effects may cause unexpected mutations in the genome. Multiple approaches have been developed to evaluate possible off-target effects, including (i) in silico prediction of target sites and testing them by deep sequencing and (ii) unbiased whole-genome sequencing. In addition, several new approaches have been reported to minimize potential off-target effects and/or to improve the specificity of the CRISPR/Cas9 system, including titration of dosage of Cas9 and guide RNA, paired Cas9 nickases, truncated guide RNAs, and high-fidelity or enhanced Cas9. Although most studies have used in vitro cell culture systems, we and others did not observe off-target effects in our previous studies of germline editing and post-natal editing in mice. According to a recent study of gene editing in human preimplantation embryos, off-target mutations were also not detected in the edited genome. Although comprehensive and extensive analysis of off-

target effects is beyond the scope of this study, we are aware that it will eventually be important to thoroughly evaluate possible off-target effects of individual guide RNAs before potential therapeutic application.

5 Materials and Methods

Plasmids. The pSpCas9(BB)-2A-GFP (PX458) plasmid containing the human codon-optimized SpCas9 gene with 2A-EGFP and the backbone of guide RNA was a gift from F. Zhang (plasmid #48138, Addgene). Cloning of guide RNA was carried out according to the Feng Zhang Lab CRISPR plasmid instructions (addgene.org/crispr/zhang/).

10 **Transfection and cell sorting of human 293 cells.** Cells were transfected by Lipofectamine 2000 Transfection Reagent (Thermo Fisher Scientific) according to the manufacturer's instructions, and the cells were incubated for a total of 48 to 72 hours. Cell sorting was performed by the Flow Cytometry Core Facility at University of Texas (UT) Southwestern Medical Center. Transfected cells were dissociated using trypsin-EDTA
15 solution. The mixture was incubated for 5 min at 37°C, and 2 ml of warm Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum was added. The resuspended cells were transferred into a 15-ml Falcon tube and gently triturated 20 times. The cells were centrifuged at 1300 rpm for 5 min at room temperature. The medium was removed, and the cells were resuspended in 500 ml of phosphate-buffered saline (PBS) supplemented with 2%
20 bovine serum albumin (BSA). Cells were filtered into a cell strainer tube through its mesh cap. Sorted single cells were separated into microfuge tubes into GFP+ and GFP- cell populations.

Human iPSC maintenance, nucleofection, and differentiation. The DMD iPSC line Del was purchased from Cell Bank RIKEN BioResource Center (cell no. HPS0164). The WT iPSC line was a gift from D. Garry (University of Minnesota). Other iPSC lines (pEx and Dup)
25 were generated and maintained by UT Southwestern Wellstone Myoediting Core. Briefly, PBMCs obtained from DMD patients' whole blood were cultured and then reprogrammed into iPSCs using recombinant Sendai viral vectors expressing reprogramming factors (Cytotune 2.0, Life Technologies). iPSC colonies were validated by immuno-cytochemistry, mycoplasma testing, and teratoma formation. Human iPSCs were cultured in mTeSR™1 medium
30 (STEMCELL Technologies) and passaged approximately every 4 days (1:18 split ratio). One hour before nucleofection, iPSCs were treated with 10 mM ROCK inhibitor (Y-27632) and dissociated into single cells using Accutase (Innovative Cell Technologies Inc.). Cells (1×10^6) were mixed with 5 mg of SpCas9-2A-GFP plasmid and nucleofected using the P3 Primary Cell

4D-Nucleofector X kit (Lonza) according to manufacturer's protocol. After nucleofection, iPSCs were cultured in mTeSR™1 medium supplemented with 10 mM ROCK inhibitor, penicillin-streptomycin (1:100) (Thermo Fisher Scientific), and primosin (100 mg/ml; InvivoGen). Three days after nucleofection, GFP⁺ and GFP⁻ were sorted by fluorescence-activated cell sorting, as described above, and subjected to PCR and T7E1 assay.

Isolation of genomic DNA from sorted cells. Protease K (20 mg/ml) was added to DirectPCR Lysis Reagent (Viagen Biotech Inc.) to a final concentration of 1 mg/ml. Cells were centrifuged at 4°C at 6000 rpm for 10 min, and the supernatant was discarded. Cell pellets kept on ice were resuspended in 50 to 100 ml of DirectPCR/protease K solution and incubated at 55°C for >2 hours or until no clumps were observed. Crude lysates were incubated at 85°C for 30 min and then spun for 10 s. NaCl was added to a final concentration of 250 mM, followed by the addition of 0.7 volumes of isopropanol to precipitate DNA. The DNA was centrifuged at 4°C at 13,000 rpm for 5 min, and the supernatant was discarded. The DNA pellet was washed with 1 ml of 70% EtOH and dissolved in water. The DNA concentration was measured using a NanoDrop instrument (Thermo Fisher Scientific).

Amplifying targeted genomic regions by PCR. PCR assays contained 2 ml of GoTaq polymerase (Promega), 20 ml of 5× green GoTaq reaction buffer, 8 ml of 25 mM MgCl₂, 2 ml of 10 mM primer, 2 ml of 10 mM deoxynucleotide triphosphate, 8 ml of genomic DNA, and double-distilled H₂O (ddH₂O) to 100 ml. PCR conditions were as follows: 94°C for 2 min, 32× (94°C for 15 s, 59°C for 30 s, and 72°C for 1 min), 72°C for 7 min, and then held at 4°C. PCR products were analyzed by 2% agarose gel electrophoresis and purified from the gel using the QIAquick PCR Purification kit (Qiagen) for direct sequencing. These PCR products were subcloned into pCRII-TOPO vector (Invitrogen) according to the manufacturer's instructions. Individual clones were picked, and the DNA was sequenced.

T7E1 analysis of PCR products. Mismatched duplex DNA was obtained by denaturation/renaturation of 25 ml of the genomic PCR samples using the following conditions: 95°C for 10 min, 95° to 85°C (-2.0°C/s), 85°C for 1 min, 85° to 75°C (-0.3°C/s), 75°C for 1 min, 75° to 65°C (-0.3°C/s), 65°C for 1 min, 65° to 55°C (-0.3°C/s), 55°C for 1 min, 55° to 45°C (-0.3°C/s), 45°C for 1 min, 45° to 35°C (-0.3°C/s), 35°C for 1 min, 35° to 25°C (-0.3°C/s), 25°C for 1 min, and then held at 4°C.

Following denaturation/renaturation, the following was added to the samples: 3 ml of 10× NEBuffer 2, 0.3 ml of T7E1 (New England Biolabs), and ddH₂O to 30 ml. Digested reactions were incubated for 1 hour at 37°C. Undigested PCR samples and T7E1-digested PCR

products were analyzed by 2% agarose gel electrophoresis.

Whole-genome sequencing. Whole-genome sequencing was performed by submitting the blood samples to Novogene Corporation. Purified genomic DNA (1.0 mg) was used as input material for the DNA sample preparation. Sequencing libraries were generated using
5 TruSeq Nano DNA HT Sample Preparation kit (Illumina) following the manufacturer's instructions. Briefly, the DNA sample was fragmented by sonication to a size of 350 bp. The DNA fragments were end-polished, A-tailed, and ligated with the full-length adapter for Illumina sequencing with further PCR amplification. The libraries were sequenced on an Illumina sequencing platform, and paired-end reads were generated.

10 **Isolation of RNA.** RNA was isolated from cells using TRIzol RNA isolation reagent (Thermo Fisher Scientific) according to the manufacturer's instructions.

Cardiomyocyte differentiation and purification. iPSCs were adapted and maintained in TESR-E8 (STEMCELL Technologies) on 1:120 Matrigel in PBS-coated plates and passaged using EDTA solution (Versene, Thermo Fisher Scientific) twice weekly. For cardiac
15 differentiation, iPSCs were plated at 5×10^4 to 1×10^5 cells/cm² and induced with RPMI, 2% B27, 200 mM L-ascorbic acid-2-phosphate sesquimagnesium salt hydrate (Asc; Sigma-Aldrich), activin A (9 ng/ml; R&D Systems), BMP4 (5 ng/ml; R&D Systems), 1 mM CHIR99021 (Stemgent), and FGF-2 (5 ng/ml; Miltenyi Biotec) for 3 days; following another wash with RPMI medium, cells were cultured from days 4 to 13 with 5 mM IWP4 (Stemgent)
20 in RPMI supplemented with 2% B27 and 200 mM Asc. Cardiomyocytes were metabolically purified by glucose deprivation from days 13 to 17 in glucose-free RPMI (Thermo Fisher Scientific) with 2.2 mM sodium lactate (Sigma-Aldrich), 100 mM b-mercaptoethanol (Sigma-Aldrich), penicillin (100 U/ml), and streptomycin (100 mg/ml). Cardiomyocyte purity was $92 \pm 2\%$ from 15 independent differentiation runs (one to three for each cell line).

25 **EHM generation.** To generate defined, serum-free EHM, purified cardiomyocytes were mixed with HFFs (American Type Culture Collection) at a 70%:30% ratio. The cell mixture was reconstituted in a mixture of pH-neutralized medical-grade bovine collagen (0.4 mg per EHM; LLC Collagen Solutions) and concentrated serum-free medium [2× RPMI, 8% B27 without insulin, penicillin (200 U/ml), and streptomycin (200 mg/ml)] and cultured for 3
30 days in Iscove medium with 4% B27 without insulin, 1% nonessential amino acids, 2 mM glutamine, 300 mM ascorbic acid, IGF1 (100 ng/ml; AF-100-11), FGF-2 (10 ng/ml; AF-100-18B), VEGF165 (5 ng/ml; AF-100-20), TGF- β 1 (5 ng/ml; AF-100-21C; all growth factors are from PeproTech), penicillin (100 U/ml), and streptomycin (100 mg/ml). After a 3-day

condensation period, EHM were transferred to flexible holders to support auxotonic contractions. Analysis was carried out after a total EHM culture period of 4 weeks.

Analysis of contractile function. Contraction experiments were performed under isometric conditions in organ baths at 37°C in gassed (5% CO₂/95% O₂) Tyrode's solution (containing 120 mM NaCl, 1 mM MgCl₂, 0.2 mM CaCl₂, 5.4 mM KCl, 22.6 mM NaHCO₃, 4.2 mM NaH₂PO₄, 5.6 mM glucose, and 0.56 mM ascorbate). EHM were electrically stimulated at 1.5 Hz with 5-ms square pulses of 200 mA. EHMs were mechanically stretched at intervals of 125 mm until the maximum systolic force amplitude (FOC) was observed according to the Frank-Starling law. Responses to increasing extracellular calcium (0.2 to 4 mM) were investigated to determine maximal inotropic capacity. Where indicated, forces were normalized to muscle content (sarcomeric a-actinin-positive cell content, as determined by flow cytometry).

Flow cytometry of EHM-derived cells. Single-cell suspensions of EHM were prepared as described previously and fixed in 70% ice-cold ethanol. Fixed cells were stained with Hoechst 3342 (10 mg/ml; Life Technologies) to exclude cell doublets. Cardiomyocytes were identified by sarcomeric a-actinin staining (clone EA-53, Sigma-Aldrich). Cells were run on a LSRII SORP cytometer (BD Biosciences) and analyzed using the DIVA software. At least 10,000 events were analyzed per sample.

Immunostaining. iPSC-derived cardiomyocytes were fixed with acetone and subjected to immunostaining. Fixed cardiomyocytes were blocked with serum cocktail (2% normal horse serum/2% normal donkey serum/0.2% BSA/PBS), and incubated with dystrophin antibody (1:800; MANDYS8, Sigma-Aldrich) and troponin-I antibody (1:200; H170, Santa Cruz Biotechnology) in 0.2% BSA/PBS. Following overnight incubation at 4°C, they were incubated with secondary antibodies [biotinylated horse anti-mouse immunoglobulin G (IgG) (1:200; Vector Laboratories) and fluorescein-conjugated donkey anti-rabbit IgG (1:50; Jackson ImmunoResearch)] for 1 hour. Nuclei were counter-stained with Hoechst 33342 (Molecular Probes).

EHM cryosections to be immunostained were thawed, further air-dried, and fixed in cold acetone (10 min at -20°C). Sections were briefly equilibrated in PBS (pH 7.3) and then blocked for 1 hour with serum cocktail (2% normal horse serum/2% normal donkey serum/0.2% BSA/ PBS). Blocking cocktail was decanted, and dystrophin/troponin primary antibody cocktail [mouse anti-dystrophin, MANDYS8 (1:800; Sigma- Aldrich) and rabbit anti-troponin-I (1:200; H170, Santa Cruz Bio- technology)] in 0.2% BSA/PBS was applied without

intervening wash. Following overnight incubation at 4°C, unbound primary antibodies were removed with PBS washes, and sections were probed for 1 hour with secondary antibodies [biotinylated horse anti-mouse IgG (1:200; Vector Laboratories) and rhodamine donkey anti-rabbit IgG (1:50; Jackson ImmunoResearch)] diluted in 0.2% BSA/PBS. Unbound secondary antibodies were removed with PBS washes, and final dystrophin labeling was carried out with a 10-min incubation of the sections with fluorescein-avidin-DCS (1:60; Vector Laboratories) diluted in PBS. Unbound rhodamine was removed with PBS washes, nuclei were counterstained with Hoechst 33342 (2 mg/ml; Molecular Probes), and slides were coverslipped with Vectashield (Vector Laboratories).

Western blot analysis. Western blot analysis for human iPSC-derived cardiomyocytes was performed, using antibodies to dystrophin (ab15277, Abcam; D8168, Sigma-Aldrich), glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase (MAB374, Millipore), and cardiac myosin heavy chain (ab50967, Abcam). Goat anti-mouse and goat anti-rabbit horseradish peroxidase-conjugated secondary antibodies (Bio-Rad) were used for described experiments.

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All of the compositions and/or methods disclosed and claimed herein can be made and executed without undue experimentation in light of the present disclosure. While the compositions and methods of this disclosure have been described in terms of preferred embodiments, it will be apparent to those of skill in the art that variations may be applied to the compositions and/or methods and in the steps or in the sequence of steps of the method described herein without departing from the concept, spirit and scope of the disclosure. More specifically, it will be apparent that certain agents which are both chemically and physiologically related may be substituted for the agents described herein while the same or similar results would be achieved. All such similar substitutes and modifications apparent to those skilled in the art are deemed to be within the spirit, scope and concept of the disclosure as defined by the appended claims.

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WHAT IS CLAIMED:

1. A method for editing a mutant dystrophin gene in a cardiomyocyte, the method comprising contacting the cardiomyocyte with:
 - a Cas9 nuclease, or a sequence encoding a Cas9 nuclease, and
 - a gRNA, or a sequence encoding a gRNA, wherein the gRNA targets a splice donor or splice acceptor site of the dystrophin gene.
2. The method of claim 1, wherein the gRNA targets a splice donor or splice acceptor site of exon 51, 45, 53, 44, 46, 52, 50, 43, 6, 7, 8, or 55.
3. The method of claim 1 or claim 2, wherein the gRNA comprises or targets a sequence of any one of SEQ ID NOs. 60-705, 712-862, 947-2377.
4. The method of any one of claims 1-3, wherein a vector comprises the gRNA, or a sequence encoding the gRNA.
5. The method of claim 4, wherein the vector is a viral vector or a non-viral vector.
6. The method of claim 5, wherein the viral vector is an adeno-associated viral (AAV) vector.
7. The method of claim 6, wherein the AAV vector is selected from AAV1, AAV2, AAV3, AAV4, AAV5, AAV6, AAV7, AAV8, AAV9, AAV10, AAV11, AAV12, AAVRh74, AAV2i8, AAVRh10, AAV39, AAV43, AAVRh8, avian AAV, bovine AAV, canine AAV, equine AAV, and ovine AAV.
8. The method of claim 5, wherein the non-viral vector is a plasmid.
9. The method of claim 5, wherein the non-viral vector is a nanoparticle.
10. The method of any one of claims 1-9, wherein a first vector comprises the gRNA, or a sequence comprising the gRNA, and a second vector comprises the Cas9, or a sequence comprising the Cas9.

11. The method of claim 10, wherein the first vector and the second vector are AAVs.
12. The method of any one of claims 1-11, wherein the mutant dystrophin gene comprises a point mutation.
13. The method of claim 12, wherein the point mutation is a pseudo-exon mutation.
14. The method of claim any one of claims 1-13, wherein the mutant dystrophin gene comprises a deletion.
15. The method of any one of claims 1-14, wherein the mutant dystrophin gene comprises a duplication mutation.
16. The method of any one of claims 1-15, wherein the Cas9 nuclease is isolated or derived from a *Streptococcus pyogenes* (spCas9).
17. The method of any one of claims 1-15, wherein the Cas9 nuclease is isolated or derived from a *Staphylococcus aureus* (saCas9).
18. A cardiomyocyte produced according to the method of any one of claims 1-17, wherein the cardiomyocyte expresses a dystrophin protein.
19. The cardiomyocyte of claim 18, wherein the cardiomyocyte is derived from an induced pluripotent stem cell (iPSC).
20. A composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of the cardiomyocyte of claim 18 or claim 19.
21. A method for treating or preventing Duchene Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) in a subject in need thereof, the method comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of a composition of claim 20.

22. The method of claim 21, wherein the therapeutically effective amount at least partially or completely restores cardiac contractility in the patient.
23. An induced pluripotent stem cell (iPSC) comprising:
a Cas9 nuclease, or a sequence encoding a Cas9 nuclease, and
a gRNA, or a sequence encoding a gRNA,
wherein the gRNA targets a splice donor or splice acceptor site of the dystrophin gene.
24. A composition comprising a cardiomyocyte derived from the iPSC of claim 23.
25. A method for treating or preventing Duchene Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) in a subject in need thereof, the method comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of the composition of claim 24.
26. The method of claim 25, wherein the therapeutically effective amount at least partially or completely restores cardiac contractility in the patient.
27. A method for treating or preventing Duchene Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) in a subject in need thereof, the method comprising administering to the subject:
a Cas9 nuclease, or a sequence encoding a Cas9 nuclease, and
a gRNA, or a sequence encoding a gRNA, wherein the gRNA targets a splice donor or splice acceptor site of the dystrophin gene;
wherein the administering restores dystrophin expression in at least 10% of the subject's cardiomyocytes.
28. The method of claim 27, wherein the gRNA targets a splice donor or splice acceptor site of exon 51, 45, 53, 44, 46, 52, 50, 43, 6, 7, 8, or 55.
29. The method of claim 27 or claim 28, wherein the gRNA comprises or targets a sequence of any one of SEQ ID NOs. 60-705, 712-862, or 947-2377.
30. The method of any one of claims 27-29, wherein a vector comprises the gRNA, or a sequence encoding the gRNA.

31. The method of claim 30, wherein the vector is a viral vector or a non-viral vector.
32. The method of claim 31, wherein the viral vector is an adeno-associated viral (AAV) vector.
33. The method of claim 32, wherein the AAV vector is selected from an AAV1, AAV2, AAV3, AAV4, AAV5, AAV6, AAV7, AAV8, AAV9, AAV10, AAV11, AAV12, AAVRh74, AAV2i8, AAVRh10, AAV39, AAV43, AAVRh8, avian AAV, bovine AAV, canine AAV, equine AAV, and ovine AAV.
34. The method of claim 31, wherein the non-viral vector is a plasmid.
35. The method of claim 31, wherein the non-viral vector is a nanoparticle.
36. The method of any one of claims 27-35, wherein a first vector comprises the gRNA, or a sequence encoding the gRNA, and a second vector comprises the Cas9, or a sequence encoding the Cas9.
37. The method of claim 36, wherein the first vector and the second vector are AAVs.
38. The method of any one of claims 27-37, wherein the mutant dystrophin gene comprises a point mutation.
39. The method of claim 38, wherein the point mutation is a pseudo-exon mutation.
40. The method of any one of claims 27-39, wherein the mutant dystrophin gene comprises a deletion.
41. The method of any one of claims 27-40, wherein the mutant dystrophin gene comprises a duplication mutation.
42. The method of any one of claims 27-41, wherein the Cas9 nuclease is isolated or derived from a *Streptococcus pyogenes* (spCas9).

43. The method of any one of claims 27-42, wherein the Cas9 nuclease is isolated or derived from a *Staphylococcus aureus* Cas9 (saCas9).
44. The method of any one of claims 27-43, wherein the subject suffers from dilated cardiomyopathy.
45. The method of any one of claims 27-44, wherein the administering restores dystrophin expression in at least 30% of the subject's cardiomyocytes.
46. The method of any one of claims 27-45, wherein the administering at least partially rescues cardiac contractility.
47. The method of any one of claims 27-46, wherein the administering restores dystrophin expression in at least 50% of the subject's cardiomyocytes.
48. The method of any one of claims 27-47, wherein the administering completely rescues cardiac contractility.
49. A method for treating or preventing Duchene Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) in a subject in need thereof, the method comprising:
contacting an induced pluripotent stem cell (iPSC) with
a Cas9 nuclease, or a sequence encoding a Cas9 nuclease, and
a gRNA, or a sequence encoding a gRNA,
wherein the gRNA targets a splice donor or splice acceptor site of the dystrophin gene;
differentiating the iPSC into a cardiomyocyte; and
administering the cardiomyocyte to the subject.

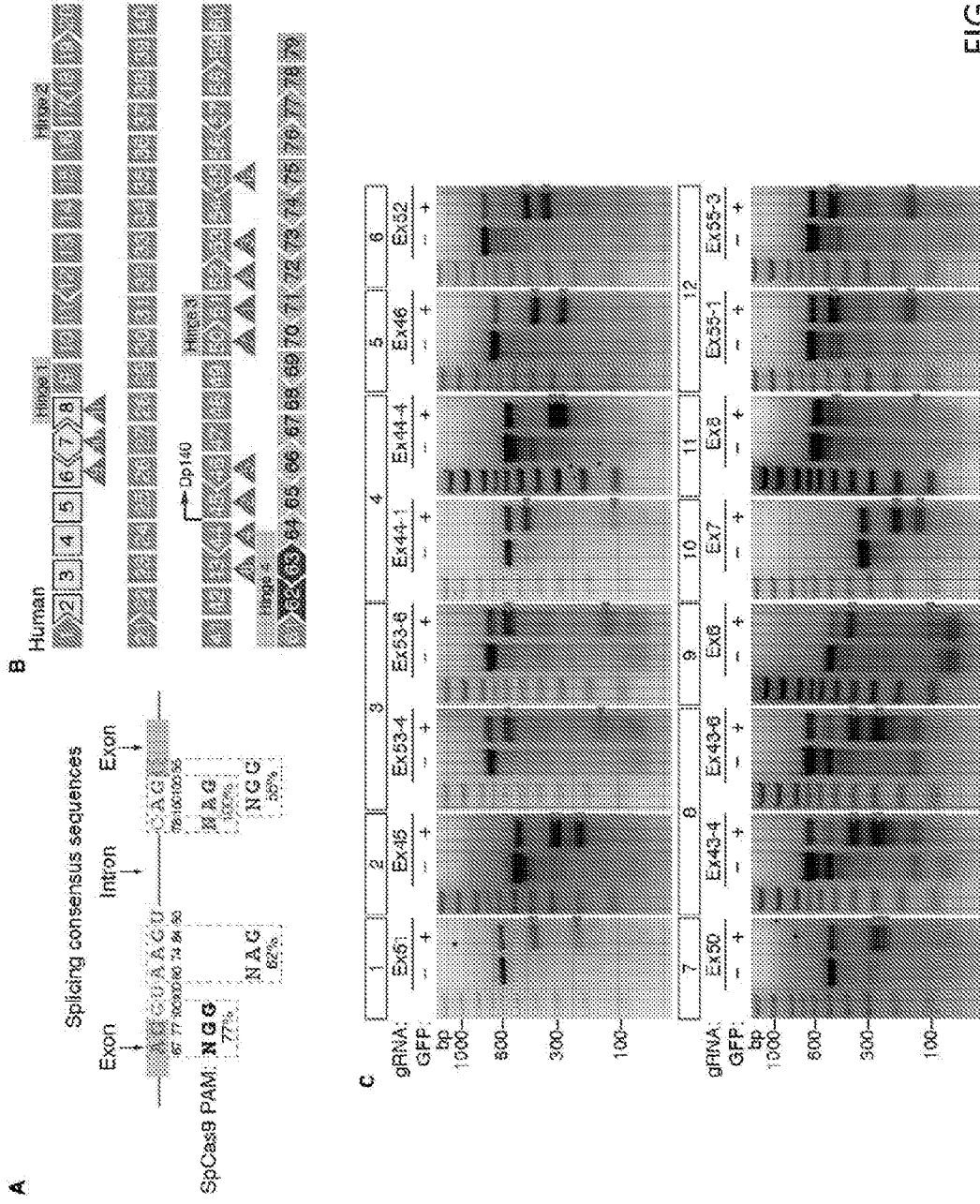


FIG. 1A-1C

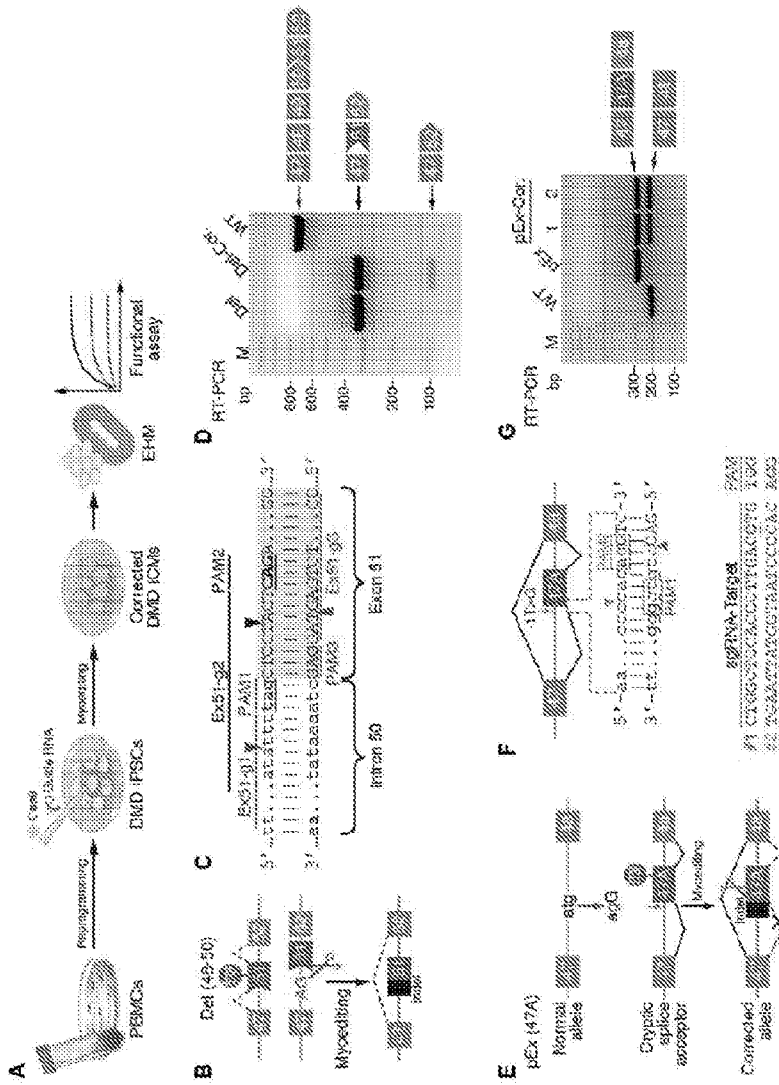


FIG. 2A-2G

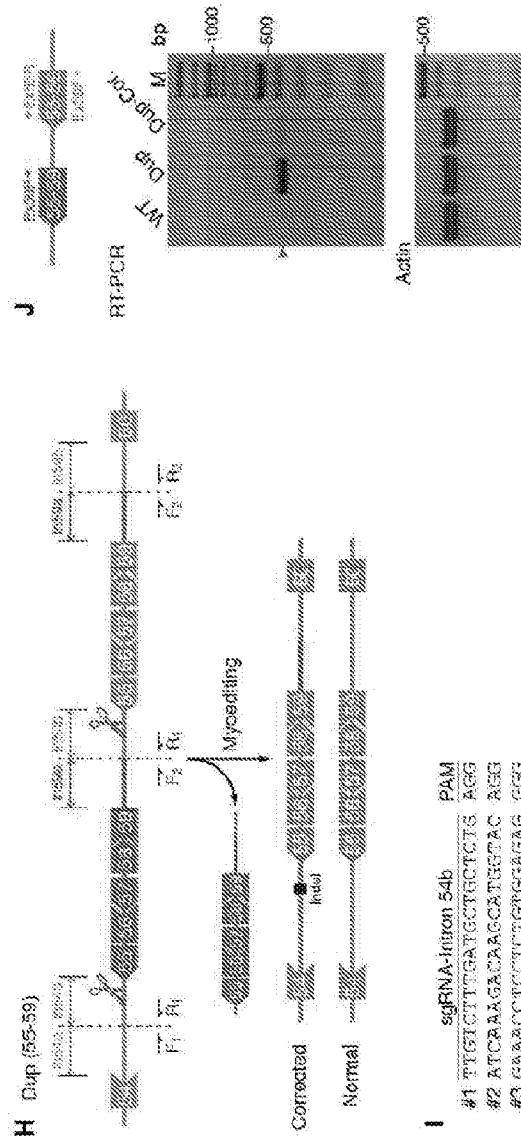


FIG. 2H-2J

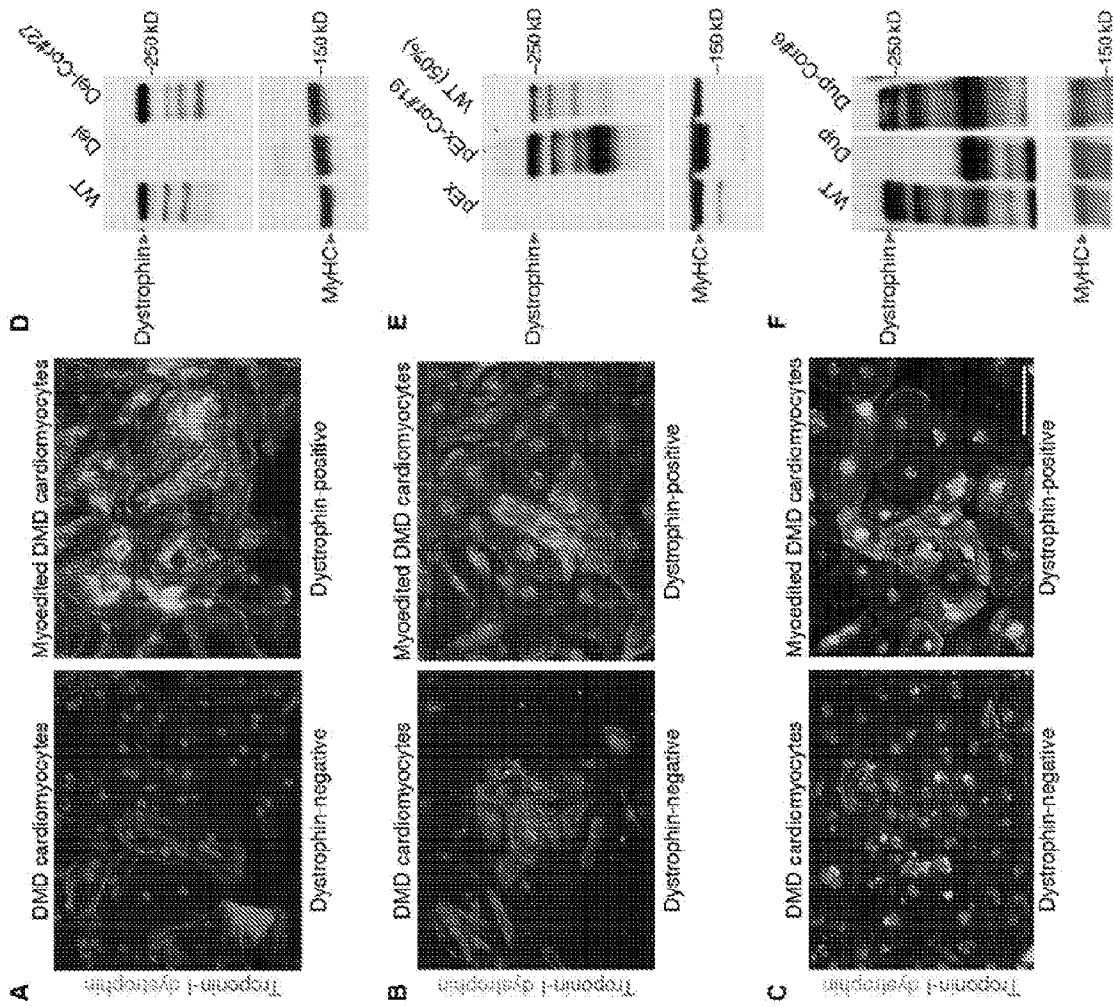


FIG. 3A-3F

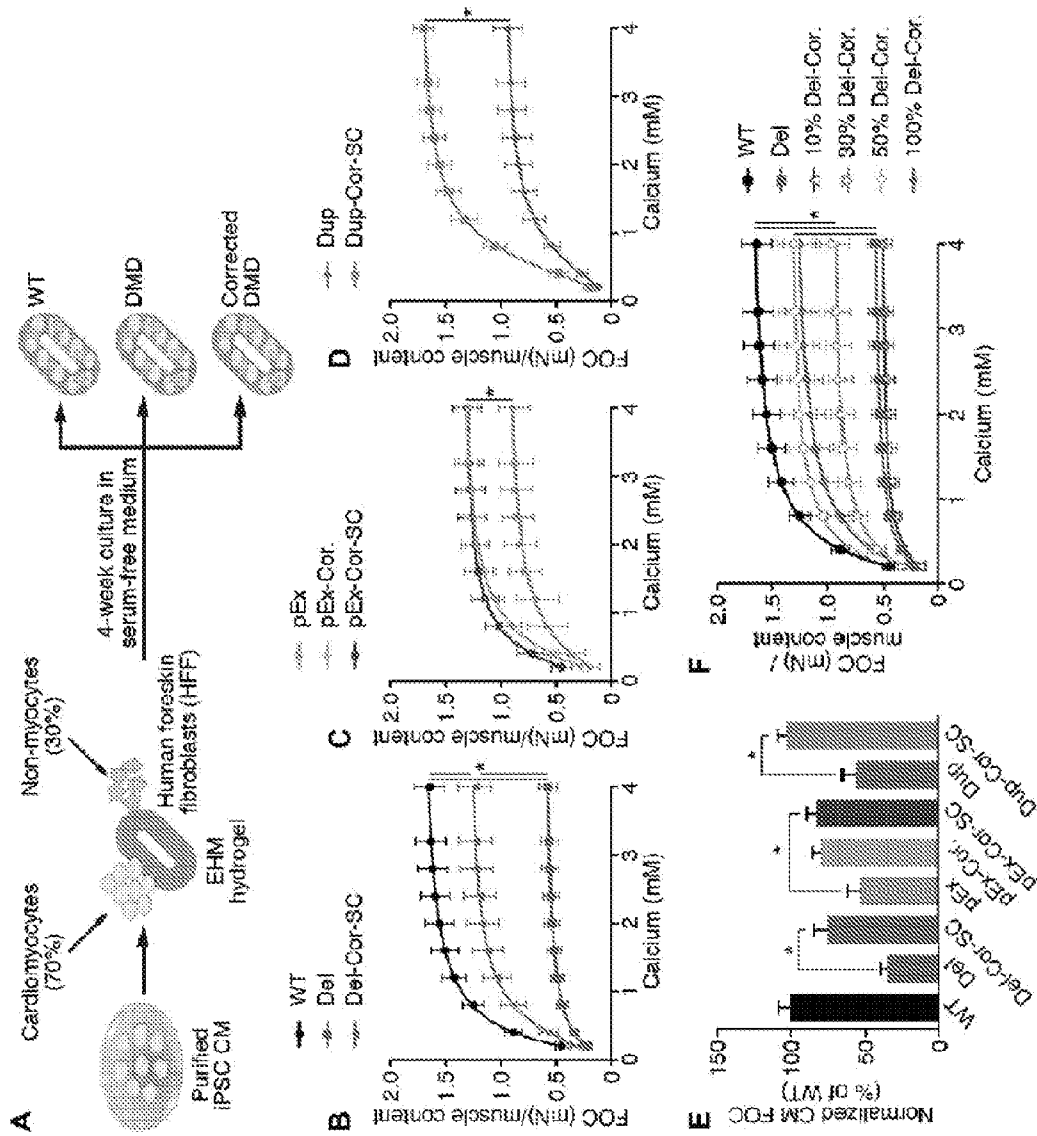


FIG. 4A-4F

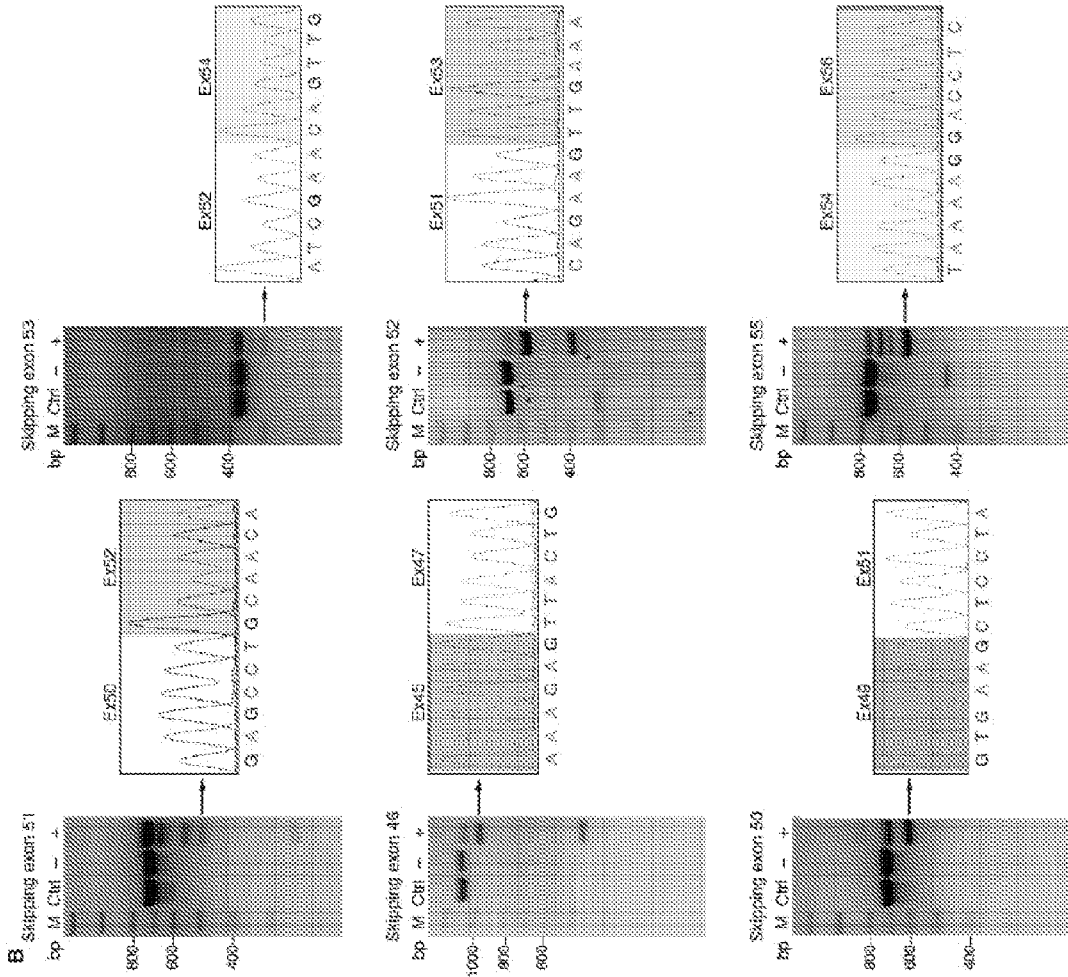


FIG. 5B

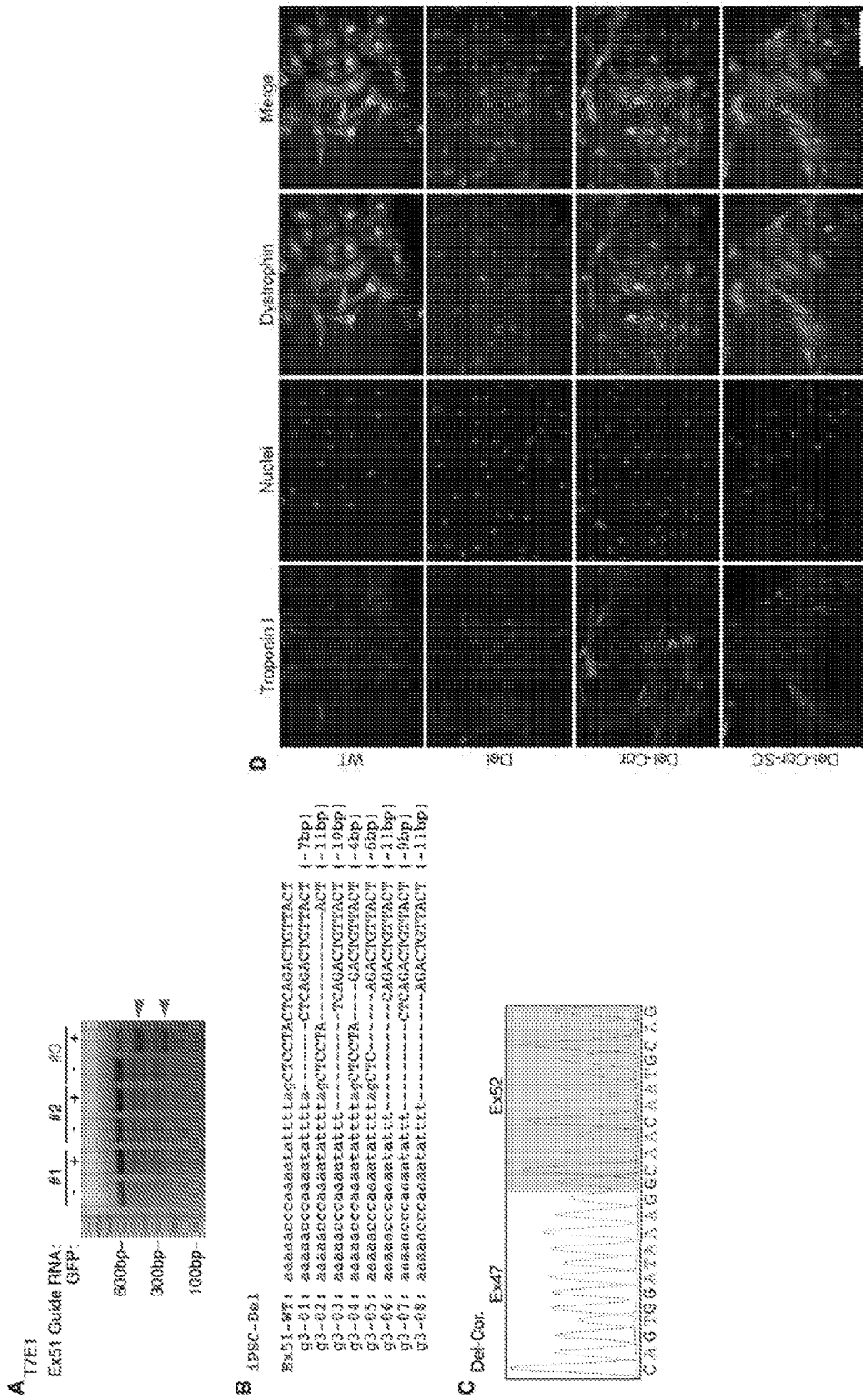


FIG. 6A-6D

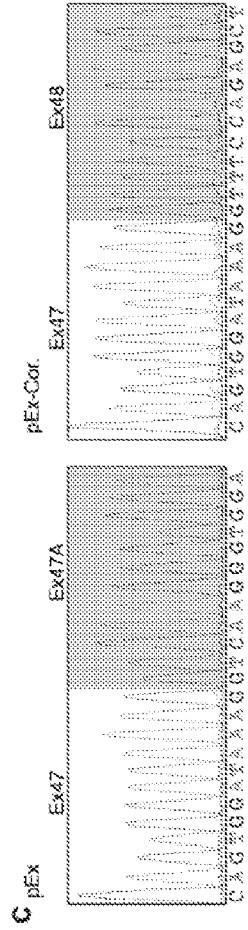
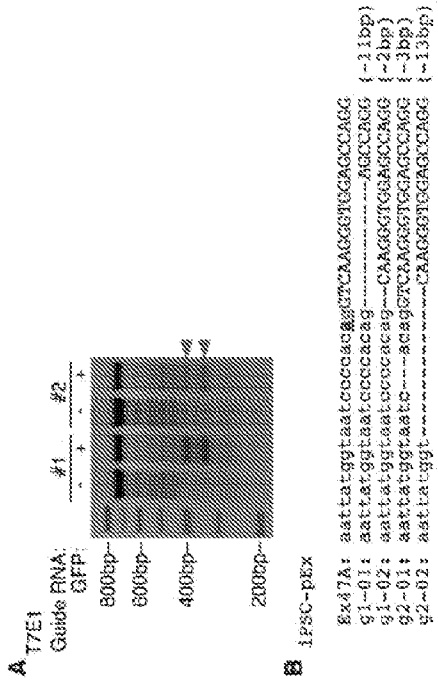
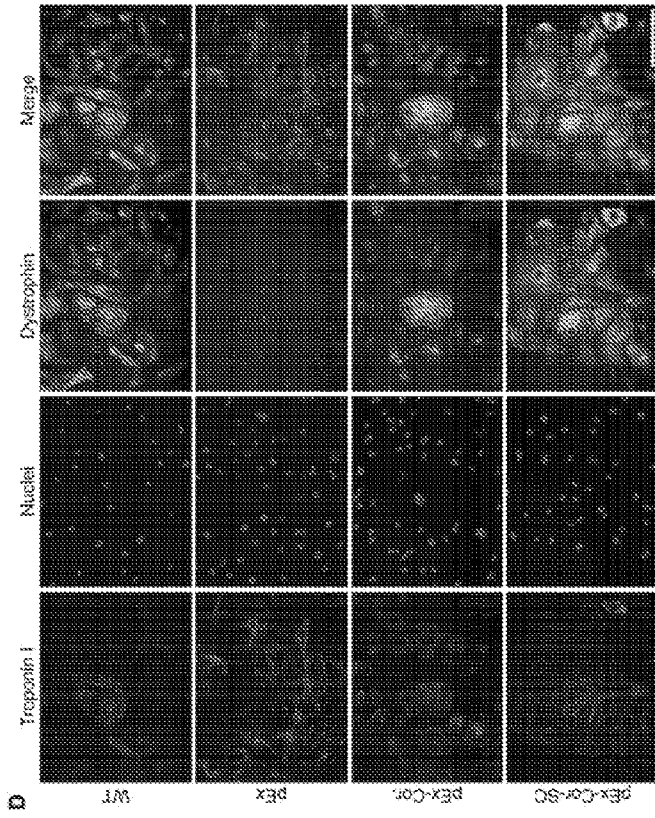


FIG. 7A-7D

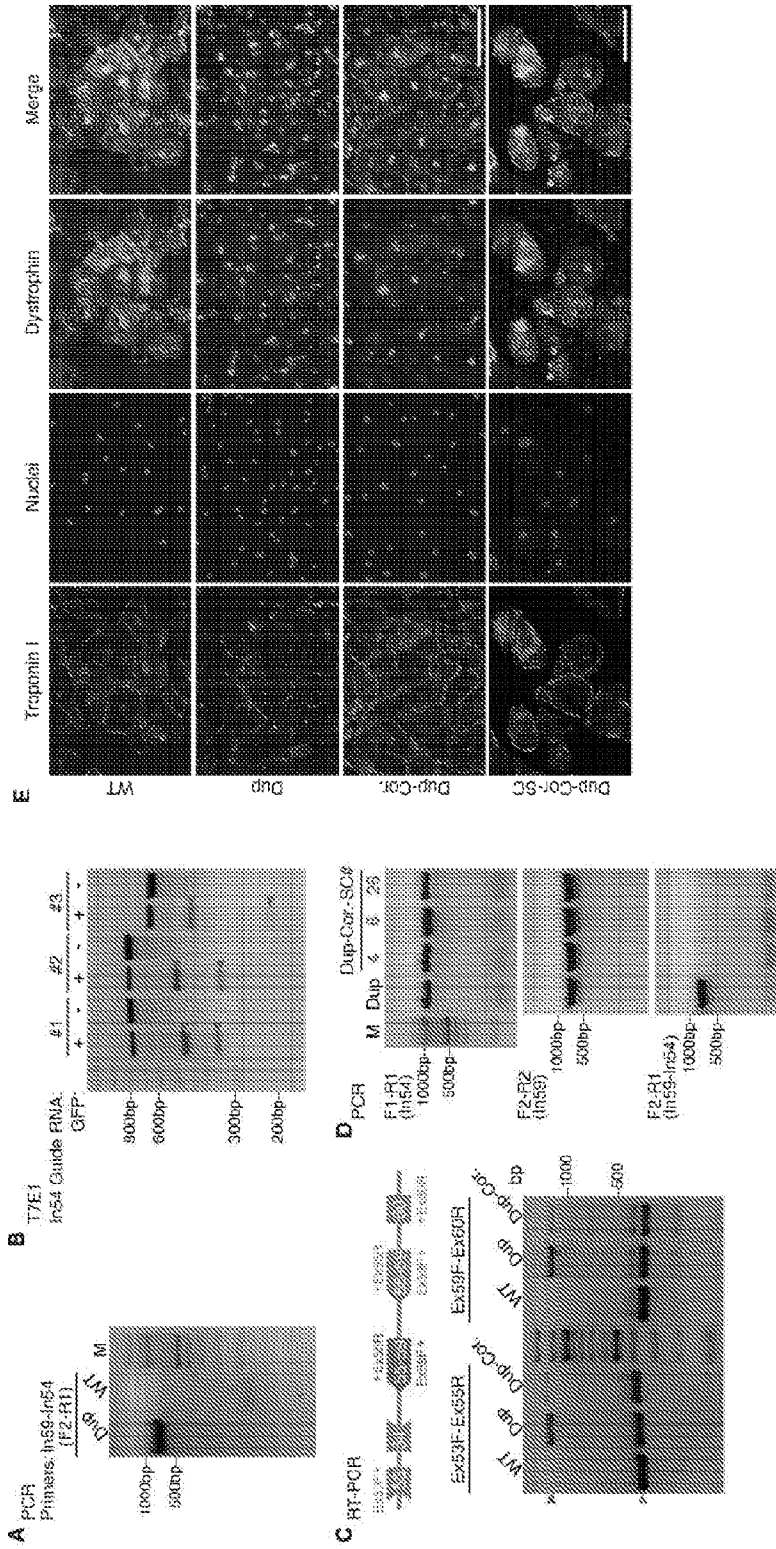


FIG. 8A-8E