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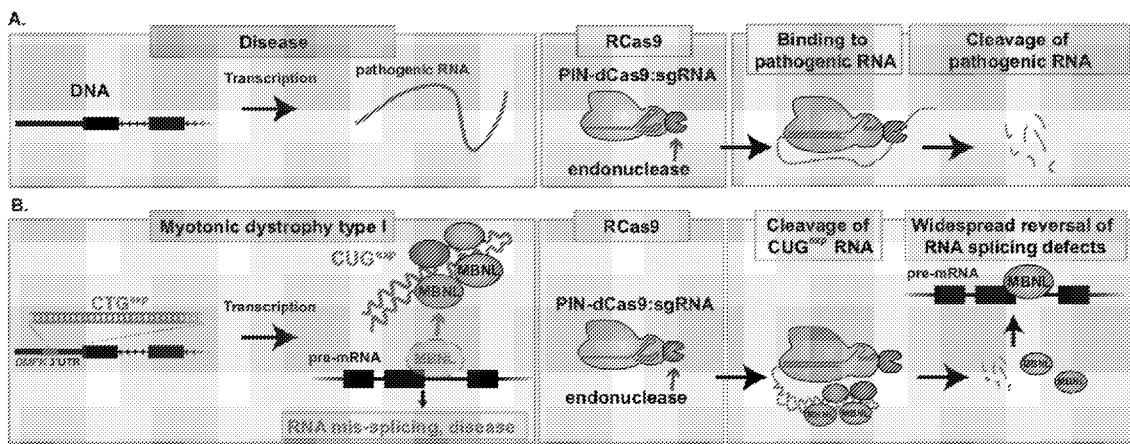
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FIGURE 1



(57) Abstract: Disclosed are compositions comprising: (a) a sequence comprising a guide RNA (gRNA) that specifically binds a target sequence within an RNA molecule and (b) a sequence encoding a fusion protein, the sequence comprising a sequence encoding a first RNA-binding polypeptide and a sequence encoding a second RNA-binding polypeptide, wherein neither the first RNA-binding polypeptide nor the second RNA-binding polypeptide comprises a significant DNA-nuclease activity, wherein the first RNA-binding polypeptide and the second RNA-binding polypeptide are not identical, and wherein the second RNA-binding polypeptide comprises an RNA-nuclease activity. Methods of making and methods of using compositions of the disclosure are also provided. For example, compositions of the disclosure may be used in the treatment of a disease or disorder in a subject. Exemplary disease or disorders of the disclosure include genetic and epigenetic diseases or disorders.

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## RNA-TARGETING FUSION PROTEIN COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR USE

### FIELD OF THE DISCLOSURE

[01] The disclosure is directed to molecular biology, and more, specifically, to compositions and methods for modifying expression and activity of RNA molecules.

### RELATED APPLICATIONS

[02] This application claims priority to U.S. Patent Application No. 62/682,271, filed June 8, 2018, the contents of which are herein incorporated by reference in their entirety. The contents of U.S. Patent Application No. 62/682,276, filed June 8, 2018, are herein incorporated by reference in their entirety.

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### BACKGROUND

[04] There has been a long-felt but unmet need in the art for a method of specifically binding target RNA molecules for modification of expression or activity of the RNA molecule or a protein encoded by the RNA molecule. The disclosure provides compositions and methods for specifically targeting RNA molecules in sequence-specific manner that further precludes modification of DNA sequences.

### SUMMARY

[05] The disclosure provides a composition comprising (a) a sequence comprising a guide RNA (gRNA) that specifically binds a target sequence within an RNA molecule and (b) a sequence encoding a fusion protein, the sequence comprising a sequence encoding a first RNA-binding polypeptide and a sequence encoding a second RNA-binding polypeptide, wherein

neither the first RNA-binding polypeptide nor the second RNA-binding polypeptide comprises a significant DNA-nuclease activity, wherein the first RNA-binding polypeptide and the second RNA-binding polypeptide are not identical, and wherein the second RNA-binding polypeptide comprises an RNA-nuclease activity wherein the first RNA-binding polypeptide and the second RNA-binding polypeptide are not identical, and wherein the second RNA-binding polypeptide comprises an RNA-nuclease activity.

[06] The disclosure also provides a composition comprising a sequence encoding an RNA-guided target RNA-binding fusion protein comprising (a) a sequence encoding a first RNA-binding polypeptide or portion thereof; and (b) a sequence encoding a second RNA-binding polypeptide, wherein the first RNA-binding polypeptide binds a target RNA guided by a gRNA sequence, and wherein the second RNA-binding polypeptide comprises RNA-nuclease activity.

[07] The disclosure additionally provides a composition comprising a sequence encoding a target RNA-binding fusion protein comprising (a) a sequence encoding a first RNA-binding polypeptide or portion thereof; and (b) a sequence encoding a second RNA-binding polypeptide, wherein the first RNA-binding polypeptide binds a target RNA without a gRNA sequence, and wherein the second RNA-binding polypeptide comprises RNA-nuclease activity.

[08] In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the target sequence comprises at least one repeated sequence.

[09] In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the sequence comprising the gRNA further comprises a sequence encoding a promoter capable of expressing the gRNA in a eukaryotic cell.

[010] In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the eukaryotic cell is an animal cell. In some embodiments, the animal cell is a mammalian cell. In some embodiments, the animal cell is a human cell.

[011] In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the promoter is a constitutively active promoter. In some embodiments, the promoter sequence is isolated or derived from a promoter capable of driving expression of an RNA polymerase. In some embodiments, the promoter sequence is isolated or derived from a U6 promoter. In some embodiments, the promoter is a sequence isolated or derived from a promoter capable of driving expression of a transfer RNA (tRNA). In some embodiments, the promoter is isolated or derived

from an alanine tRNA promoter, an arginine tRNA promoter, an asparagine tRNA promoter, an aspartic acid tRNA promoter, a cysteine tRNA promoter, a glutamine tRNA promoter, a glutamic acid tRNA promoter, a glycine tRNA promoter, a histidine tRNA promoter, an isoleucine tRNA promoter, a leucine tRNA promoter, a lysine tRNA promoter, a methionine tRNA promoter, a phenylalanine tRNA promoter, a proline tRNA promoter, a serine tRNA promoter, a threonine tRNA promoter, a tryptophan tRNA promoter, a tyrosine tRNA promoter, or a valine tRNA promoter. In some embodiments, the promoter is isolated or derived from a valine tRNA promoter.

**[012]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the sequence comprising the gRNA further comprises a spacer sequence that specifically binds to the target RNA sequence. In some embodiments, the spacer sequence has at least 50%, 55%, 60%, 65%, 70%, 75%, 80%, 87%, 90%, 95%, 97%, 99% or any percentage in between of complementarity to the target RNA sequence. In some embodiments, the spacer sequence has 100% complementarity to the target RNA sequence. In some embodiments, the spacer sequence comprises or consists of 20 nucleotides. In some embodiments, the spacer sequence comprises or consists of 21 nucleotides. In some embodiments, the spacer sequence comprises or consists of the sequence UGGAGCGAGCAUCCCCAAA (SEQ ID NO: 1), GUUUGGGGAUGCUCGUCCA (SEQ ID NO: 2), CCCUCACUGCUGGGAGUCC (SEQ ID NO: 3), GGACUCCCCAGCAGUGAGGG (SEQ ID NO: 4), GCAACUGGAUCAUUUGCUG (SEQ ID NO: 5), GCAGCAAUUGAUCCAGUUGC (SEQ ID NO: 6), GCAUUCUUAUCUGGUCAGUGC (SEQ ID NO: 7), GCACUGACCAGAUAAGAAUG (SEQ ID NO: 8), GAGCAGCAGCAGCAGCAG (SEQ ID NO: 9), GCAGGCAGGCAGGCAGGCAGG (SEQ ID NO: 10), GCCCCGGCCCCGGCCCCGGC (SEQ ID NO: 11), or GCTGCTGCTGCTGCTGCTGC (SEQ ID NO: 12), GGGGCCGGGGCCGGGGCCGG (SEQ ID NO: 74), GGGCCGGGGCCGGGGCCGGGG (SEQ ID NO: 75), GGCCGGGGCCGGGGCCGGGG (SEQ ID NO: 76), GCCGGGGCCGGGGCCGGGGC (SEQ ID NO: 77), CCGGGGGCCGGGGCCGGGGCC (SEQ ID NO: 78), or CGGGGCCGGGGCCGGGGCCG (SEQ ID NO: 79).

**[013]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the sequence comprising the gRNA further comprises a spacer sequence that specifically binds to the target RNA

sequence. In some embodiments, the spacer sequence has at least 50%, 55%, 60%, 65%, 70%, 75%, 80%, 87%, 90%, 95%, 97%, 99% or any percentage in between of complementarity to the target RNA sequence.

**[014]** In some embodiments, the spacer sequence has 100% complementarity to the target RNA sequence. In some embodiments, the spacer sequence comprises or consists of 20 nucleotides. In some embodiments, the spacer sequence comprises or consists of 21 nucleotides. In some embodiments, the spacer sequence comprises or consists of the sequence GUGAUAAUGUGGAAUGCCAUG (SEQ ID NO: 14), CUGGUGAACUUCGAUAGUG (SEQ ID NO: 15), or GAGATATAGCCTGGTGGTTC (SEQ ID NO: 16).

**[015]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the sequence comprising the gRNA further comprises a spacer sequence that specifically binds to the target RNA sequence. In some embodiments, the spacer sequence has at least 50%, 55%, 60%, 65%, 70%, 75%, 80%, 87%, 90%, 95%, 97%, 99% or any percentage in between of complementarity to the target RNA sequence. In some embodiments, the spacer sequence has 100% complementarity to the target RNA sequence. In some embodiments, the spacer sequence comprises or consists of 20 nucleotides. In some embodiments, the spacer sequence comprises or consists of 21 nucleotides. In some embodiments, the spacer sequence comprises or consists of a sequence comprising at least 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7 repeats of the sequence CUG (SEQ ID NO: 18), CCUG (SEQ ID NO: 19), CAG (SEQ ID NO: 80), GGGGCC (SEQ ID NO: 81) or any combination thereof.

**[016]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the sequence comprising the gRNA further comprises a scaffold sequence that specifically binds to the first RNA binding protein. In some embodiments, the scaffold sequence comprises a stem-loop structure. In some embodiments, the scaffold sequence comprises or consists of 90 nucleotides. In some embodiments, the scaffold sequence comprises or consists of 93 nucleotides. In some embodiments, the scaffold sequence comprises or consists of the sequence GUUUAAGAGCUAUGCUGGAAACAGCAUAGCAAGUUAAAUAAGGCUAGUCCGUU AUCAACUUGAAAAAGUGGCACCGAGUCGGUGCUUUUUU (SEQ ID NO: 13). In some embodiments, the scaffold sequence comprises or consists of the sequence GGACAGCAUAGCAAGUUAAAUAAGGCUAGUCCGUUAUCACUUGAAAAAGUGG CACCGAGUCGGUGCUUUUU (SEQ ID NO: 17). In some embodiments, the scaffold

sequence comprises or consists of the sequence

GUUUAAGAGCUAUGCUGGAAACAGCAUAGCAAGUUUAAAUAAGGCUAGUCCGUU  
AUCAACUUGAAAAAGUGGCACCGAGUCGGUGCUUUUUU (SEQ ID NO: 82) or  
GUUUUAGAGCUAGAAAAGCAAGUUAAAUAAGGCUAGUCCGUUAUCAACUUGA  
AAAAGUGGCACCGAGUCGGUGCUUUUUU (SEQ ID NO: 83).

**[017]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the gRNA does not bind or does not selectively bind to a second sequence within the RNA molecule.

**[018]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, an RNA genome or an RNA transcriptome comprises the RNA molecule.

**[019]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the first RNA binding protein comprises a CRISPR-Cas protein. In some embodiments, the CRISPR-Cas protein is a Type II CRISPR-Cas protein. In some embodiments, the first RNA binding protein comprises a Cas9 polypeptide or an RNA-binding portion thereof. In some embodiments, the CRISPR-Cas protein comprises a native RNA nuclease activity. In some embodiments, the native RNA nuclease activity is reduced or inhibited. In some embodiments, the native RNA nuclease activity is increased or induced. In some embodiments, the CRISPR-Cas protein comprises a native DNA nuclease activity and the native DNA nuclease activity is inhibited. In some embodiments, the CRISPR-Cas protein comprises a mutation. In some embodiments, a nuclease domain of the CRISPR-Cas protein comprises the mutation. In some embodiments, the mutation occurs in a nucleic acid encoding the CRISPR-Cas protein. In some embodiments, the mutation occurs in an amino acid encoding the CRISPR-Cas protein. In some embodiments, the mutation comprises a substitution, an insertion, a deletion, a frameshift, an inversion, or a transposition. In some embodiments, the mutation comprises a deletion of a nuclease domain, a binding site within the nuclease domain, an active site within the nuclease domain, or at least one essential amino acid residue within the nuclease domain.

**[020]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the first RNA binding protein comprises a CRISPR-Cas protein. In some embodiments, the CRISPR-Cas protein is a Type V CRISPR-Cas protein. In some embodiments, the first RNA binding protein comprises a Cpf1 polypeptide or an RNA-binding portion thereof. In some embodiments, the CRISPR-Cas protein comprises a native RNA nuclease activity. In some embodiments, the native RNA

nuclease activity is reduced or inhibited. In some embodiments, the native RNA nuclease activity is increased or induced. In some embodiments, the CRISPR-Cas protein comprises a native DNA nuclease activity and the native DNA nuclease activity is inhibited. In some embodiments, the CRISPR-Cas protein comprises a mutation. In some embodiments, a nuclease domain of the CRISPR-Cas protein comprises the mutation. In some embodiments, the mutation occurs in a nucleic acid encoding the CRISPR-Cas protein. In some embodiments, the mutation occurs in an amino acid encoding the CRISPR-Cas protein. In some embodiments, the mutation comprises a substitution, an insertion, a deletion, a frameshift, an inversion, or a transposition. In some embodiments, the mutation comprises a deletion of a nuclease domain, a binding site within the nuclease domain, an active site within the nuclease domain, or at least one essential amino acid residue within the nuclease domain.

**[021]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the first RNA binding protein comprises a CRISPR-Cas protein. In some embodiments, the CRISPR-Cas protein is a Type VI CRISPR-Cas protein. In some embodiments, the first RNA binding protein comprises a Cas13 polypeptide or an RNA-binding portion thereof. In some embodiments, the first RNA binding protein comprises a CasRx/Cas13d polypeptide or an RNA-binding portion thereof. In some embodiments, the CRISPR-Cas protein comprises a native RNA nuclease activity. In some embodiments, the native RNA nuclease activity is reduced or inhibited. In some embodiments, the native RNA nuclease activity is increased or induced. In some embodiments, the CRISPR-Cas protein comprises a native DNA nuclease activity and the native DNA nuclease activity is inhibited. In some embodiments, the CRISPR-Cas protein comprises a mutation. In some embodiments, a nuclease domain of the CRISPR-Cas protein comprises the mutation. In some embodiments, the mutation occurs in a nucleic acid encoding the CRISPR-Cas protein. In some embodiments, the mutation occurs in an amino acid encoding the CRISPR-Cas protein. In some embodiments, the mutation comprises a substitution, an insertion, a deletion, a frameshift, an inversion, or a transposition. In some embodiments, the mutation comprises a deletion of a nuclease domain, a binding site within the nuclease domain, an active site within the nuclease domain, or at least one essential amino acid residue within the nuclease domain.

**[022]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the first RNA binding protein comprises a Pumilio and FBF (PUF) protein or an RNA binding portion thereof. In some

embodiments, the first RNA binding protein comprises a Pumilio-based assembly (PUMBY) protein or an RNA binding portion thereof.

**[023]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the first RNA binding protein does not require multimerization for RNA-binding activity. In some embodiments, the first RNA binding protein is not a monomer of a multimer complex. In some embodiments, a multimer protein complex does not comprise the first RNA binding protein.

**[024]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the first RNA binding protein selectively binds to a target sequence within the RNA molecule. In some embodiments, the first RNA binding protein does not comprise an affinity for a second sequence within the RNA molecule. In some embodiments, the first RNA binding protein does not comprise a high affinity for or selectively bind a second sequence within the RNA molecule.

**[025]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, an RNA genome or an RNA transcriptome comprises the RNA molecule.

**[026]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the first RNA binding protein comprises between 2 and 1300 amino acids, inclusive of the endpoints.

**[027]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein further comprises a sequence encoding a nuclear localization signal (NLS), a nuclear export signal (NES) or tag. In some embodiments, the sequence encoding a nuclear localization signal (NLS) is positioned 3' to the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein. In some embodiments, the first RNA binding protein comprises an NLS at a C-terminus of the protein.

**[028]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein further comprises a first sequence encoding a first NLS and a second sequence encoding a second NLS. In some embodiments, the sequence encoding the first NLS or the second NLS is positioned 3' to the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein. In some embodiments, the first RNA binding protein comprises the first NLS or the second NLS at a C-terminus of the protein.

**[029]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a nuclease domain. In some embodiments, the second RNA

binding protein binds RNA in a manner in which it associates with RNA. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein associates with RNA in a manner in which it cleaves RNA.

**[030]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the sequence encoding the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase1. In some embodiments, the RNase1 comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 20. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase4. In some embodiments, the RNase4 comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 21. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase6. In some embodiments, the RNase6 comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 22. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase7. In some embodiments, the RNase7 comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 23. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase8. In some embodiments, the RNase8 protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 24. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase2. In some embodiments, the RNase2 protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 25. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase6PL. In some embodiments, the RNase6PL protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 26. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNaseL. In some embodiments the RNaseL protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 27. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNaseT2. In some embodiments, the RNaseT2 protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 28. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase11. In some embodiments, the RNase11 protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 29. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNaseT2-like. In some embodiments, the RNaseT2-like protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 30.

**[031]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated RNase. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(K41R)) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the Rnase1 (K41R) polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 116. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated

Rnase1 (Rnase1(K41R, D121E)) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the Rnase1 (Rnase1(K41R, D121E)) polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 66. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(K41R, D121E, H119N)) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the Rnase1 (Rnase1(K41R, D121E, H119N)) polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 118. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(H119N)) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the Rnase1 (Rnase1(H119N)) polypeptide comprises or consists SEQ ID NO: 119. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D, H119N)) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the Rnase1 (Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D, H119N)) polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 120. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D, H119N)) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the Rnase1 (Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D, H119N, K41R, D121E)) polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 121. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D, H119N)) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the Rnase1 (Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D)) polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 122.

**[032]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a NOB1 polypeptide. In some embodiments, the NOB1 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 31.

**[033]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an endonuclease. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an endonuclease V (ENDOV). In some embodiments, the ENDOV protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 32. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an endonuclease G (ENDOG). In some embodiments, the ENDOG protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 33. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an endonuclease D1 (ENDOD1). In some embodiments, the ENDOD1 protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO:

34. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Human flap endonuclease-1 (hFEN1). In some embodiments, the hFEN1 protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 35. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a DNA repair endonuclease XPF (ERCC4) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the ERCC4 protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 64.

[034] In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an Endonuclease III-like protein 1 (NTHL) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the NTHL polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 123.

[035] In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a human Schafen 14 (hSLFN14) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the hSLFN14 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 36.

[036] In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a human beta-lactamase-like protein 2 (hLACTB2) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the hLACTB2 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 37.

[037] In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an apurinic/apyrimidinic (AP) endodeoxyribonuclease (APEX) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an apurinic/apyrimidinic (AP) endodeoxyribonuclease (APEX2) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the APEX2 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 38. In some embodiments, the APEX2 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 39. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an apurinic or apyrimidinic site lyase (APEX1) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the APEX1 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 125.

[038] In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an angiogenin (ANG) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the ANG polypeptide comprises or consists SEQ ID NO: 40.

[039] In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a heat responsive protein 12 (HRSP12) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the HRSP12 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 41.

**[040]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Zinc Finger CCCH-Type Containing 12A (ZC3H12A) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the ZC3H12A polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 42. In some embodiments, the ZC3H12A polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 43.

**[041]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Reactive Intermediate Imine Deaminase A (RIDA) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the RIDA polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 44.

**[042]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Phospholipase D Family Member 6 (PDL6) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the PDL6 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 126.

**[043]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mitochondrial ribonuclease P catalytic subunit (KIAA0391) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the KIAA0391 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 127.

**[044]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an argonaute 2 (AGO2) polypeptide.

In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the AGO2 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 128.

**[045]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mitochondrial nuclease EXOG (EXOG) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the EXOG polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 129.

**[046]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Zinc Finger CCCH-Type Containing 12D (ZC3H12D) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the ZC3H12D polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 130.

**[047]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an endoplasmic reticulum to nucleus signaling 2 (ERN2)

polypeptide. In some embodiments, the ERN2 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 131.

**[048]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a pelota mRNA surveillance and ribosome rescue factor (PELO) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the PELO polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 132.

**[049]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a YBEY metallopeptidase (YBEY) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the YBEY polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 133.

**[050]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a cleavage and polyadenylation specific factor 4 like (CPSF4L) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the CPSF4L polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 134.

**[051]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an hCG\_2002731 polypeptide. In some embodiments, the hCG\_2002731 comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 135. In some embodiments, the hCG\_2002731 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 136.

**[052]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an Excision Repair Cross-Complementation Group 1 (ERCC1) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the ERCC1 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 137.

**[053]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a ras-related C3 botulinum toxin substrate 1 isoform (RAC1) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the RAC1 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 138.

**[054]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Ribonuclease A A1 (RAA1) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the RAA1 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 139.

**[055]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Ras Related Protein (RAB1) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the RAB1 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 140.

**[056]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a DNA Replication Helicase/Nuclease 2 (DNA2) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the DNA2 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 141.

**[057]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a FLJ35220 polypeptide. In some embodiments, the FLJ35220 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 142.

**[058]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a FLJ13173 polypeptide. In some embodiments, the FLJ13173 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 143.

**[059]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of Teneurin Transmembrane Protein (TENM) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of Teneurin Transmembrane Protein 1 (TENM1) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the TENM1 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 144. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of Teneurin Transmembrane Protein 2 (TENM2) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the TENM2 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 145.

**[060]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Ribonuclease Kappa (RNaseK) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the RNaseK polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 204.

**[061]** In some embodiments, the fusion proteins of the disclosure are used in methods for treating a subject in need thereof, the methods comprising contacting a target RNA with a fusion protein or the sequence encoding the fusion protein.

## BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[062] The patent or application file contains at least one drawing executed in color. Copies of this patent or patent application publication with color drawing(s) will be provided by the Office upon request and payment of the necessary fee.

[063] Figure 1A-B is a schematic diagram of an exemplary embodiment of a composition of the disclosure. (A) An RNA-targeting Cas9 system fused to an endonuclease targets and cleaves a disease-causing RNA. (B) Depicts an application of (A) in the context of myotonic dystrophy type 1, wherein an RNA-targeting Cas9 system fused to an endonuclease targets and cleaves a repetitive RNA composed of repeating CUG units. In the absence of the RNA-targeting Cas9 system, the repetitive RNA composed of repeating CUG units binds to a splicing factor MBNL and causes pathology via dysfunctional RNA splicing. Cleavage of this repetitive RNA ameliorates disease.

[064] Figure 2 is a schematic diagram depicting an exemplary modular therapeutic platform for treating genetic disease by targeting RNA molecules.

[065] Figure 3A-B is a pair of schematic diagrams depicting (A) a “high expression” control system (also referred to as “pos control”) comprising a two plasmid system comprising a cytomegalovirus promoter driving expression of the RNA endonuclease/Cas9 fusion and (B) a “low expression” control system (also referred to as “P13”) comprising a single plasmid system comprising a lower-expression promoter (pEFS) driving expression of the RNA endonuclease/Cas9 fusion.

[066] Figure 4A is a pair of schematic diagrams depicting an exemplary RNA Endonuclease-*C. jejuni* Cas9 fusion protein (left) and a vector comprising an exemplary RNA Endonuclease-*S. pyogenes* Cas9 fusion protein (right)

[067] Figure 4B is a graph depicting the ability of a variety of fusion proteins comprising either *C. jejuni* Cas9 or *S. pyogenes* Cas9, as shown in Figure 4A, to cleave repetitive RNA molecules.

[068] Figure 5A is a pair of schematic diagrams depicting an exemplary RNA Endonuclease-*C. jejuni* Cas9 fusion protein (left) and a vector comprising an exemplary RNA Endonuclease-*S. pyogenes* Cas9 fusion protein (right)

[069] Figure 5B is a graph depicting the ability of a variety of fusion proteins comprising either *C. jejuni* Cas9 or *S. pyogenes* Cas9, as shown in Figure 5A, to cleave mRNA molecules encoding a luciferase protein.

[070] Figure 6 is a table providing a key to the endonucleases shown in Figures 4B, 5B, and 9.

[071] Figure 7A is a schematic diagram depicting an exemplary RNA Endonuclease-*C. jejuni* Cas9 fusion protein.

[072] Figure 7B is a graph depicting changes in expression levels of Zika NS5 in the presence of both E43 and E67 CjeCas9-endonuclease fusions with sgRNAs containing the various NS5-targeting spacer sequences as indicated in Table 2. Zika NS5 expression is displayed as fold change relative to the endonuclease loaded with an sgRNA containing a control (Lambda) spacer sequence.

[073] Figure 8A is a fluorescence microscopy image of cells transfected with CjeCas9-endonuclease fusions loaded with an sgRNA containing a Zika NS5-targeting spacer sequence.

[074] Figure 8B is a graph depicting changes of expression of Zika NS5 in the presence of CjeCas9-endonuclease fusions loaded with the appropriate Zika NS5-targeting sgRNA as compared to a CjeCas9-endonuclease fusions loaded with a non-Zika NS5 targeting sgRNA.

[075] Figure 9 is a graph depicting the cleavage efficiencies of a variety of exemplary fusion proteins (SpyCas9 fused to the annotated endonuclease).

## DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[076] The disclosure provides an RNA-guided fusion protein that selectively binds and, optionally, cleaves RNA molecules. The disclosure provides vectors, compositions and cells comprising the RNA-guided fusion protein. The disclosure provides methods of using the RNA-guided fusion protein, vectors, compositions and cells of the disclosure to treat a disease or disorder.

### *Guide RNA*

[077] The terms guide RNA (gRNA) and single guide RNA (sgRNA) are used interchangeably throughout the disclosure.

[078] Guide RNAs (gRNAs) of the disclosure may comprise of a spacer sequence and a scaffolding sequence. In some embodiments, a guide RNA is a single guide RNA (sgRNA)

comprising a contiguous spacer sequence and scaffolding sequence. In some embodiments, the spacer sequence and the scaffolding sequence are not contiguous. In some embodiments, a scaffold sequence comprises a “direct repeat” (DR) sequence. DR sequences refer to the repetitive sequences in the CRISPR locus (naturally-occurring in a bacterial genome or plasmid) that are interspersed with the spacer sequences. It is well known that one would be able to infer the DR sequence of a corresponding Cas protein if the sequence of the associated CRISPR locus is known. In some embodiments, a sequence encoding a guide RNA or single guide RNA of the disclosure comprises or consists of a spacer sequence and a scaffolding sequence, that are separated by a linker sequence. In some embodiments, the linker sequence may comprise or consist of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 or any number of nucleotides in between. In some embodiments, the linker sequence may comprise at least 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 or any number of nucleotides in between.

**[079]** Guide RNAs (gRNAs) of the disclosure may comprise non-naturally occurring nucleotides. In some embodiments, a guide RNA of the disclosure or a sequence encoding the guide RNA comprises or consists of modified or synthetic RNA nucleotides. Exemplary modified RNA nucleotides include, but are not limited to, pseudouridine ( $\Psi$ ), dihydrouridine (D), inosine (I), and 7-methylguanosine (m7G), hypoxanthine, xanthine, xanthosine, 7-methylguanine, 5, 6-Dihydrouracil, 5-methylcytosine, 5-methylcytidine, 5-hydroxymethylcytosine, isoguanine, and isocytosine.

**[080]** Guide RNAs (gRNAs) of the disclosure may bind modified RNA within a target sequence. Within a target sequence, guide RNAs (gRNAs) of the disclosure may bind modified RNA. Exemplary epigenetically or post-transcriptionally modified RNA include, but are not limited to, 2'-O-Methylation (2'-OMe) (2'-O-methylation occurs on the oxygen of the free 2'-OH of the ribose moiety), N6-methyladenosine (m6A), and 5-methylcytosine (m5C).

**[081]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, a guide RNA of the disclosure comprises at least one sequence encoding a non-coding C/D box small nucleolar RNA (snoRNA) sequence. In some embodiments, the snoRNA sequence comprises at least one sequence that is complementary to the target RNA, wherein the target sequence of the RNA molecule comprises at least one 2'-OMe. In some embodiments, the snoRNA sequence comprises at least one sequence that is complementary to the target RNA, wherein the at least

one sequence that is complementary to the target RNA comprises a box C motif (RUGAUGA) and a box D motif (CUGA).

**[082]** Spacer sequences of the disclosure bind to the target sequence of an RNA molecule. Spacer sequences of the disclosure may comprise a CRISPR RNA (crRNA). Spacer sequences of the disclosure comprise or consist of a sequence having sufficient complementarity to a target sequence of an RNA molecule to bind selectively to the target sequence. Upon binding to a target sequence of an RNA molecule, the spacer sequence may guide one or more of a scaffolding sequence and a fusion protein to the RNA molecule. In some embodiments, a sequence having sufficient complementarity to a target sequence of an RNA molecule to bind selectively to the target sequence has at least 50%, 55%, 60%, 65%, 70%, 75%, 80%, 85%, 90%, 95%, 96, 97%, 98%, 99%, or any percentage identity in between to the target sequence. In some embodiments, a sequence having sufficient complementarity to a target sequence of an RNA molecule to bind selectively to the target sequence has 100% identity the target sequence.

**[083]** Scaffolding sequences of the disclosure bind the first RNA-binding polypeptide of the disclosure. Scaffolding sequences of the disclosure may comprise a trans acting RNA (tracrRNA). Scaffolding sequences of the disclosure comprise or consist of a sequence having sufficient complementarity to a target sequence of an RNA molecule to bind selectively to the target sequence. Upon binding to a target sequence of an RNA molecule, the scaffolding sequence may guide a fusion protein to the RNA molecule. In some embodiments, a sequence having sufficient complementarity to a target sequence of an RNA molecule to bind selectively to the target sequence has at least 50%, 55%, 60%, 65%, 70%, 75%, 80%, 85%, 90%, 95%, 96, 97%, 98%, 99%, or any percentage identity in between to the target sequence. In some embodiments, a sequence having sufficient complementarity to a target sequence of an RNA molecule to bind selectively to the target sequence has 100% identity the target sequence.

Alternatively, or in addition, in some embodiments, scaffolding sequences of the disclosure comprise or consist of a sequence that binds to a first RNA binding protein or a second RNA binding protein of a fusion protein of the disclosure. In some embodiments, scaffolding sequences of the disclosure comprise a secondary structure or a tertiary structure. Exemplary secondary structures include, but are not limited to, a helix, a stem loop, a bulge, a tetraloop and a pseudoknot. Exemplary tertiary structures include, but are not limited to, an A-form of a helix,

a B-form of a helix, and a Z-form of a helix. Exemplary tertiary structures include, but are not limited to, a twisted or helicized stem loop. Exemplary tertiary structures include, but are not limited to, a twisted or helicized pseudoknot. In some embodiments, scaffolding sequences of the disclosure comprise at least one secondary structure or at least one tertiary structure. In some embodiments, scaffolding sequences of the disclosure comprise one or more secondary structure(s) or one or more tertiary structure(s).

**[084]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, a guide RNA or a portion thereof selectively binds to a tetraloop motif in an RNA molecule of the disclosure. In some embodiments, a target sequence of an RNA molecule comprises a tetraloop motif. In some embodiments, the tetraloop motif is a “GRNA” motif comprising or consisting of one or more of the sequences of GAAA, GUGA, GCAA or GAGA.

**[085]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, a guide RNA or a portion thereof that binds to a target sequence of an RNA molecule hybridizes to the target sequence of the RNA molecule. In some embodiments, a guide RNA or a portion thereof that binds to a first RNA binding protein or to a second RNA binding protein covalently binds to the first RNA binding protein or to the second RNA binding protein. In some embodiments, a guide RNA or a portion thereof that binds to a first RNA binding protein or to a second RNA binding protein non-covalently binds to the first RNA binding protein or to the second RNA binding protein.

**[086]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, a guide RNA or a portion thereof comprises or consists of between 10 and 100 nucleotides, inclusive of the endpoints. In some embodiments, a spacer sequence of the disclosure comprises or consists of between 10 and 30 nucleotides, inclusive of the endpoints. In some embodiments, a spacer sequence of the disclosure comprises or consists of 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 or 30 nucleotides. In some embodiments, the spacer sequence of the disclosure comprises or consists of 20 nucleotides. In some embodiments, the spacer sequence of the disclosure comprises or consists of 21 nucleotides. In some embodiments, a scaffold sequence of the disclosure comprises or consists of between 10 and 100 nucleotides, inclusive of the endpoints. In some embodiments, a scaffold sequence of the disclosure comprises or consists of 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 76, 80, 87, 90, 95, 100 or any number of nucleotides in between. In some embodiments, the scaffold sequence of the disclosure comprises or consists of between 85 and

95 nucleotides, inclusive of the endpoints. In some embodiments, the scaffold sequence of the disclosure comprises or consists of 85 nucleotides. In some embodiments, the scaffold sequence of the disclosure comprises or consists of 90 nucleotides. In some embodiments, the scaffold sequence of the disclosure comprises or consists of 93 nucleotides.

**[087]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, a guide RNA or a portion thereof does not comprise a nuclear localization sequence (NLS).

**[088]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, a guide RNA or a portion thereof does not comprise a sequence complementary to a protospacer adjacent motif (PAM).

**[089]** Therapeutic or pharmaceutical compositions of the disclosure do not comprise a PAMmer oligonucleotide. In other embodiments, optionally, non-therapeutic or non-pharmaceutical compositions may comprise a PAMmer oligonucleotide. The term “PAMmer” refers to an oligonucleotide comprising a PAM sequence that is capable of interacting with a guide nucleotide sequence-programmable RNA binding protein. Non-limiting examples of PAMmers are described in O’Connell *et al. Nature* 516, pages 263–266 (2014), incorporated herein by reference. A PAM sequence refers to a protospacer adjacent motif comprising about 2 to about 10 nucleotides. PAM sequences are specific to the guide nucleotide sequence-programmable RNA binding protein with which they interact and are known in the art. For example, *Streptococcus pyogenes* PAM has the sequence 5'-NGG-3', where “N” is any nucleobase followed by two guanine (“G”) nucleobases. Cas9 of *Francisella novicida* recognizes the canonical PAM sequence 5'-NGG-3', but has been engineered to recognize the PAM 5'-YG-3' (where “Y” is a pyrimidine), thus adding to the range of possible Cas9 targets. The Cpf1 nuclease of *Francisella novicida* recognizes the PAM 5'-TTTN-3' or 5'-YTN-3'.

**[090]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, a guide RNA or a portion thereof comprises a sequence complementary to a protospacer flanking sequence (PFS). In some embodiments, including those wherein a guide RNA or a portion thereof comprises a sequence complementary to a PFS, the first RNA binding protein may comprise a sequence isolated or derived from a Cas13 protein. In some embodiments, including those wherein a guide RNA or a portion thereof comprises a sequence complementary to a PFS, the first RNA binding protein may comprise a sequence encoding a Cas13 protein or an RNA-binding portion thereof. In some

embodiments, the guide RNA or a portion thereof does not comprise a sequence complementary to a PFS.

**[091]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, guide RNA sequence of the disclosure comprises a promoter sequence to drive expression of the guide RNA. In some embodiments, a vector comprising a guide RNA sequence of the disclosure comprises a promoter sequence to drive expression of the guide RNA. In some embodiments, the promoter to drive expression of the guide RNA is a constitutive promoter. In some embodiments, the promoter sequence is an inducible promoter. In some embodiments, the promoter is a sequence is a tissue-specific and/or cell-type specific promoter. In some embodiments, the promoter is a hybrid or a recombinant promoter. In some embodiments, the promoter is a promoter capable of expressing the guide RNA in a mammalian cell. In some embodiments, the promoter is a promoter capable of expressing the guide RNA in a human cell. In some embodiments, the promoter is a promoter capable of expressing the guide RNA and restricting the guide RNA to the nucleus of the cell. In some embodiments, the promoter is a human RNA polymerase promoter or a sequence isolated or derived from a sequence encoding a human RNA polymerase promoter. In some embodiments, the promoter is a U6 promoter or a sequence isolated or derived from a sequence encoding a U6 promoter. In some embodiments, the promoter is a human tRNA promoter or a sequence isolated or derived from a sequence encoding a human tRNA promoter. In some embodiments, the promoter is a human valine tRNA promoter or a sequence isolated or derived from a sequence encoding a human valine tRNA promoter.

**[092]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, a promoter to drive expression of the guide RNA further comprises a regulatory element. In some embodiments, a vector comprising a promoter sequence to drive expression of the guide RNA further comprises a regulatory element. In some embodiments, a regulatory element enhances expression of the guide RNA. Exemplary regulatory elements include, but are not limited to, an enhancer element, an intron, an exon, or a combination thereof.

**[093]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, a vector of the disclosure comprises one or more of a sequence encoding a guide RNA, a promoter sequence to drive expression of the guide RNA and a sequence encoding a regulatory element. In some

embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the vector further comprises a sequence encoding a fusion protein of the disclosure.

### ***Fusion Proteins***

**[094]** Fusion proteins of the disclosure comprise a first RNA binding protein and a second RNA binding protein. In some embodiments, along a sequence encoding the fusion protein, the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein is positioned 5' of the sequence encoding the second RNA binding protein. In some embodiments, along a sequence encoding the fusion protein, the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein is positioned 3' of the sequence encoding the second RNA binding protein.

**[095]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein comprises a sequence isolated or derived from a protein capable of binding an RNA molecule. In some embodiments, the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein comprises a sequence isolated or derived from a protein capable of selectively binding an RNA molecule and not binding a DNA molecule, a mammalian DNA molecule or any DNA molecule. In some embodiments, the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein comprises a sequence isolated or derived from a protein capable of binding an RNA molecule and inducing a break in the RNA molecule. In some embodiments, the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein comprises a sequence isolated or derived from a protein capable of binding an RNA molecule, inducing a break in the RNA molecule, and not binding a DNA molecule, a mammalian DNA molecule or any DNA molecule. In some embodiments, the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein comprises a sequence isolated or derived from a protein capable of binding an RNA molecule, inducing a break in the RNA molecule, and neither binding nor inducing a break in a DNA molecule, a mammalian DNA molecule or any DNA molecule.

**[096]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein comprises a sequence isolated or derived from a protein with no DNA nuclease activity.

**[097]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein comprises a sequence isolated or derived from a protein having DNA nuclease activity, wherein the DNA nuclease activity does not induce a break in a DNA

molecule, a mammalian DNA molecule or any DNA molecule when a composition of the disclosure is contacted to an RNA molecule or introduced into a cell or into a subject of the disclosure.

**[098]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein comprises a sequence isolated or derived from a protein having DNA nuclease activity, wherein the DNA nuclease activity is inactivated and wherein the DNA nuclease activity does not induce a break in a DNA molecule, a mammalian DNA molecule or any DNA molecule when a composition of the disclosure is contacted to an RNA molecule or introduced into a cell or into a subject of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein comprises a mutation that inactivates or decreases the DNA nuclease activity to a level at which the DNA nuclease activity does not induce a break in a DNA molecule, a mammalian DNA molecule or any DNA molecule when a composition of the disclosure is contacted to an RNA molecule or introduced into a cell or into a subject of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein comprises a mutation that inactivates or decreases the DNA nuclease activity and the mutation comprises one or more of a substitution, inversion, transposition, insertion, deletion, or any combination thereof to a nucleic acid sequence or amino acid sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein or a nuclease domain thereof.

**[099]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein of an RNA-guided fusion protein disclosed herein comprises a sequence isolated or derived from a CRISPR Cas protein. In some embodiments, the CRISPR Cas protein comprises a Type II CRISPR Cas protein. In some embodiments, the Type II CRISPR Cas protein comprises a Cas9 protein. Exemplary Cas9 proteins of the disclosure may be isolated or derived from any species, including, but not limited to, a bacteria or an archaea. Exemplary Cas9 proteins of the disclosure may be isolated or derived from any species, including, but not limited to, *Streptococcus pyogenes*, *Haloferax mediteranii*, *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, *Francisella tularensis* subsp. *novicida*, *Pasteurella multocida*, *Neisseria meningitidis*, *Campylobacter jejune*, *Streptococcus thermophilus*, *Campylobacter lari* CF89-12, *Mycoplasma gallisepticum* str. F, *Nitratifractor salsuginis* str. DSM 16511, *Parvibaculum lavamentivorans*, *Roseburia intestinalis*, *Neisseria cinerea*, a *Gluconacetobacter diazotrophicus*,

*an Azospirillum B510, a Sphaerochaeta globus str. Buddy, Flavobacterium columnare, Fliviicola taffensis, Bacteroides coprophilus, Mycoplasma mobile, Lactobacillus farciminis, Streptococcus pasteurianus, Lactobacillus johnsonii, Staphylococcus pseudintermedius, Filifactor alocis, Treponema denticola, Legionella pneumophila str. Paris, Sutterella wadsworthensis, Corynebacter diphtherias, Streptococcus aureus, and Francisella novicida.*

**[0100]** Exemplary wild type *S. pyogenes* Cas9 proteins of the disclosure may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

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1 MDKKYSIGLD IGTNSVGWAV ITDEYKVPSK KFKVLGNTDR HSIKKNLIGA LLFDSGETAЕ
61 ATRLKRTARR RYTRRKNRIC YLQEIFSNEМ AKVDDFFHR LEESFLVEED KKHERHPIFG
121 NIVDEVAYHE KYPTIYHLRK KLVDSTDKAD LRЛИYLALAH MIKFRGHFLИ EGDLNPDNSD
181 VDKLFIQQLVQ TYNQLFEENP INASGVDAKA ILSARLSKSR RLENLIAQLP GEKKNGLFGN
241 LIALSLGLTP NFKNFNLAE DAKLQLSKDT YDDDDLNLLA QIGDQYADLF LAALKNLSDAI
301 LLSDILRVNT EITKAPLSAS MIKRYDEHHQ DLTLKLALVR QQLPEKYKEI FFDQSKNGYA
361 GYIDGGASQE EFYKFIKPIL EKMDGTEELL VKLNREDLLR KQRTFDNGSI PHQIHLGELH
421 AILRRQEDFY PFLKDNREKI EKILTFRIPY YVGPLARGNS RFAMTRKSE ETITPWNFEE
481 VVDKGASAQS FIERMTNFDK NLPNEKVLPK HSLLYEYFTV YNELTKVKYV TEGMRKPAFL
541 SGEQKKAIVD LLFKTNRKVT VKQLKEDYFK KIECFDSVEI SGVEDRFNAS LGTYHDLLKI
601 IKDKDFLDNE ENEDILEDIV LTLLTFEDRE MIEERLKTYA HLFDDKVMKQ LKRRRYTGWG
661 RLSRKLINGI RDQSGKTIL DFLKSDGFAN RNFMQLIHDD SLTFKEDIQK AQVSGQGDSDL
721 HEHIANLAGS PAIKKGILQT VKVVDELVKV MGRHKPENIV IEMARENQTT QKGQKNSRER
781 MKRIEEGIKE LGSQILKEHP VENTQLQNEK LYLYYLQNGR DMYVDQELDI NRLSDYDVHD
841 IVPQSFLKDD SIDNKVLTRS DKNRGKSDNV PSEEVVKKMK NYWRQQLNAK LITQRKFDNL
901 TKAERGGLSE LDKAGFIKRQ LVETRQITKH VAQILD SRMN TKYDENDKLI REVKVITLKS
961 KLVSDFRKDF QFYKVREINN YHHAHDAYLN AVVGTALIKK YPKLESEFVY GDYKVYDVRK
1021 MIAKSEQEIG KATAKYFFYS NIMNFFKTEI TLANGEIRKR PLIETNGETG EIWWDKGRDF
1081 ATVRKVLSMP QVNIVKKTEV QTGGFSKESI LPKRNSDKLI ARKKDWDPKK YGGFDSPPTVA
1141 YSVLVVAKVE KGKSKKLKSV KELLGITIME RSSFEKNPID FLEAKGYKEV KKDLIILKLPK
1201 YSLFELENGR KRMLASAGEL QKGNELALPS KYVNFLYLAS HYEKLKGSPE DNEQKQLFVE
1261 QHKHYLDEII EQISEFSKRV ILADANLDKV LSAYNKHDK PIREQAENII HLFTLTNLGA
1321 PAAFKYFDTT IDRKRYTSTK EVLDATLHQ SITGLYETRI DLSQLGGD (SEQ ID NO: 147) .

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**[0101]** Nuclease inactivated *S. pyogenes* Cas9 proteins may comprise a substitution of an Alanine (A) for an Aspartic Acid (D) at position 10 and an alanine (A) for a Histidine (H) at position 840. Exemplary nuclease inactivated *S. pyogenes* Cas9 proteins of the disclosure may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence (D10A and H840A bolded and underlined):

1 MDKKYSIGLA IGTNSVGWAV ITDEYKVPSK KFKVLGNTDR HSIKKNLIGA LLFDSGETA  
 61 ATRLKRTARR RYTRRKNRIC YLQEIFSNEAKVDDSSFHR LEESFLVEED KKHERHPIFG  
 121 NIVDEVAYHE KYPTIYHLRK KLVDSTDKAD LRLLYLALAH MIKFRGHFLI EGDLNPDNSD  
 181 VDKLFIQLVQ TYNQLFEEENP INASGVDAKA ILSARLSKSR RLENLIAQLP GEKKNGLFGN  
 241 LIALSLGLTP NFKSNFDLAE DAKLQLSKDT YDDLDNLLA QIGDQYADLF LAALKNLSDAI  
 301 LLSDILRVNT EITKAPLSAS MIKRYDEHHQ DLTLKLALVR QQLPEKYKEI FFDQSKNGYA  
 361 GYIDGGASQE EFYKFIKPIL EKMDGTEELL VKLNREDLLR KQRTFDNGSI PHQIHLGELH  
 421 AILRRQEDFY PFLKDNREKI EKILTFRIPY YVGPLARGNS RFAWMTRKSE ETITPWNFEE  
 481 VVDKGASAQS FIERMTNFDK NLPNEKVLPK HSLLYEYFTV YNELTKVKYV TEGMRKPAFL  
 541 SGEQKKAIVD LLFKTNRKVT VKQLKEDYFK KIECFDSVEI SGVEDRFNAS LGTYHDLLKI  
 601 IKDKDFLDNE ENEDILEDIV LTLLTFEDRE MIEERLKTYA HLFDDKVMKQ LKRRRYTGWG  
 661 RLSRKLINGI RDKQSGKTIL DFLKSDGFAN RNFMQLIHDD SLTFKEDIQK AQVSGQGDSL  
 721 HEHIANLAGS PAIKKGILQT VKVVDELVKV MGRHKPENIV IEMARENQTT QKGQKNSRER  
 781 MKRIEEGIKE LGSQILKEHP VENTQLQNEK LYLYYLQNDR DMYVDQELDI NRLSDYDVDA**A**  
 841 IVPQSFLLKDD SIDNKVLTRS DKNRGKSDNV PSEEVVKKMK NYWRQOLLNAK LITQRKFDSL  
 901 TKAERGGLSE LDKAGFIKRQ LVETRQITKH VAQILDLSRMN TKYDENDKLI REVKVITLKS  
 961 KLVSDFRKDF QFYKVREINN YHHAHDAYLN AVVGTALIKK YPKLESEFVY GDYKVYDVRK  
 1021 MIAKSEQEIG KATAKYFFYS NIMNFFKTEI TLANGEIRKR PLIETNGETG EIVWDKGRDF  
 1081 ATVRKVLSMP QVNIVKKTEV QTGGFSKESI LPKRNSDKLI ARKKDWDPKK YGGFDSPPTVA  
 1141 YSVLVVAKVE KGKSKKLKSV KELLGITIME RSSFEKNPID FLEAKGYKEV KKDLIIKLPK  
 1201 YSLFELENGR KRMLASAGEL QKGNELALPS KYVNFLYLAS HYEKLKGSPE DNEQKQLFVE  
 1261 QHKHYLDEII EQISEFSKRV ILADANLDKV LSAYNKRDK PIREQAENII HLFTLTNLGA  
 1321 PAAFKYFDTT IDRKRYTSTK EVLDATLHQ SITGLYETRI DLSQLGGD (SEQ ID NO: 148).

**[0102]** Nuclease inactivated *S. pyogenes* Cas9 proteins may comprise deletion of a RuvC nuclease domain or a portion thereof, an HNH domain, a DNase active site, a  $\beta\beta\alpha$ -metal fold or a portion thereof comprising a DNase active site or any combination thereof.

**[0103]** Other exemplary Cas9 proteins or portions thereof may comprise or consist of the following amino acid sequences.

**[0104]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *S. pyogenes* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MDKKYSIGLDIGTNSVGWA VITDEYKVPSKKFKVLGNTDRHSIKKNLIGALLFDSGETA EATRLKRTARR  
 YTRRKNRIC YLQEIFSNEAKVDDSSFHR LEESFLVEED KKHERHPIFGNIVDEVAYHE KYPTIYHLRK  
 KLVSDFRKDF QFYKVREINN YHHAHDAYLN AVVGTALIKK YPKLESEFVY GDYKVYDVRK  
 LSRSRRLLENLIAQLPGEKKNGLFGNLIALSLGLTPNFKSNFDLAEDAKLQLSKDTYDDLDNLLAQIGDQY  
 ADLFLAAKNLSDAILSDILRVNTEITKAPLSASMIKRYDEHHQDLTLLKALVRQQLPEKYKEIFFDQSKNG

YAGYIDGGASQEEFYKFIKPILEKMDGTEELLVKLNREDLLRKQRTFDNGSIPHQIHLGELHAILRRQEDFYP  
 FLKDNREKIEKILTFRIPYYVGPLARGNSRFAWMTRKSEETITPWNFEEVVDKGASAQSIERMTNFDKNLP  
 NEKVLPKHSLLYEYFTVYNELTKVKYVTEGMRKPAFLSGEQKKAIVDLLFKTNRKVTVKQLKEDYFKKIE  
 CFDSVEISGVEDRFNASLGTYHDLLKIJKDKDFLDNEENEDILEDIVLTTLFEDREMIEERLKYAHLFDDK  
 VMKQLKRRRYTGWGRSLRKLINGIRDQSGKTILDFLKSDFANRNFMQLIHDDSLTFKEDIQKAQVSGQ  
 GDSLHEHIANLAGSPAIIKKGILQTVKVVDELVKVMGRHKPENIVIEMARENQTTQKGQKNSRERMKRIE  
 IKELGSQILKEHPVENTQLQNEKLYLYLQNQGRDMYVDQELDINRLSDYDVDHIVPQSFLKDDSIDNKVLT  
 RSDKNRGKSDNVPSEEVVKMKNYWRQLLNAKLITQRKF DNLTKAERGGLSELDKAGFIKRQLVETRQIT  
 KHVAQILDLSRMNTKYDENDKLIREVKVITLKS LVSDFRKDFQFYKVREINNYHHAHDAYLNAVGTALI  
 KKYPKLESEFVYGDYKVYDVRKMIAKSEQEIGKATAKYFFYSNIMNNFKTEITLANGEIRKRPLIETNGETG  
 EIWWDKGKGRDFATVRKVL SMPQVNIVKKT EVQTGGFSKESILPKRNSDKLIARKKDWDPKYGGFDSP  
 TVA YSVLVVAKVEKGKSKLKS V KELL GITIMERSSFEKNPIDFLEAKGYKEVKKDLIILPKYSLFELENGRKR  
 MLASAGELQKGNELALPSKYVN FLYLASHYEKLKGSPEDNEQKQLFVEQH KHYLDEIIEQISEFSKRV  
 ILAD ANLDKVLSAYNKHRDKPIREQAENIIHLFTLTNLGAPAAFKYFDTTIDRKRYTSTKEVLDATL  
 IHQSITGLYE TRIDLSQLGGD (SEQ ID NO: 149)

**[0105]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *S. aureus* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MKRNYILGLDIGITSVGYGIIDYETRDVIDAGVRLFKEANVENNEGRRSKRGARRLKRRRHRIQRVKLLF  
 DYNLLTDHSEL SGINPYEARVKGLSQKLSEEFSAALLHLAKRRGVHN VNEVEEDTG NELSTKEQISRNSK  
 ALEEKYVAELQLERLKKDGEV RGSINRFKTS DYVKEAKQLKVQKAYHQLDQSFIDTYIDLLET RRTYYEG  
 PEGSPFGWKDIKEWYEMLMGHCTYFPEELRSV KYAYNADLYNALNDLNNL VITRDENEKLEYYEKFQII  
 ENVFKQKKPTLKQIAKEILVNEEDIKGYRVTSTGKPEFTNLKVYHDIKDITARKEIIENAELDQIAKILTIY  
 QSSEDIQEELTNLSELTQEEIEQISNLKGYTGTHNLSKAINLILDELWHTNDNQIAIFNRLKLVPKKV  
 DLS QQKEIPTTLVDDFILSPVVKRSFIQS I KVINAIIKKYGLPN DIIIELAREKNSKDAQKMINEMQKR  
 NRQTNERIE EIIRTTGKENAKYLIEKIKLHDMQEGKCLYSLEAIPLEDLLNNPFNYEVDHIIIPRSVS  
 FDNSFNNKVLVKQEE NSKKGNRTPFQYLSSSDSKISYETFKKHILNLAKGKGRISKTK  
 KEYLLEERDINRFSVQKDFINRNLVDTRYA TRGLMNLLRSYFRVNNLDVKVKSINGGFTSFLRR  
 WKFKERNKGYKHAE DALIIANADFIFKEWKKLD KAKKVMENQMFEKQA  
 ESMPEIETEQEYKEIFITPHQIKHIKDFKDYKYS HRVDKKPNRELINDTLYSTRKD  
 DKGNLIVNNLNGLYDKNDKLKLINKSPEKLLMYHHDPQTYQKLKLIMEQY  
 GDEKNPLYKYYETGN YLT KYSKKDNGPVKKIKYYGNKLN  
 AHDITDDYPNSRNKVVKLSLKPYRFDVYLDNGVYKFVT  
 VKNLD VIKKENYYEVNSKC  
 CYEEAKKKISNQA  
 E FIASFYNNDLIKINGELYR  
 VIGVNN DLLNRIEV  
 NMIDITYREYL ENMNDKRPPRIIKTIA  
 SKTQSICKYSTDIL  
 GLNLYEV  
 KSKKHPQI  
 IKG (SEQ ID NO:150)

**[0106]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *S. thermophiles* CRISPR1 Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MSDLVLGLDIGIGSVGILNKVTGEIIHKN  
 SRIFPAQAENNLVRRTNRQGRR LARRKKHRRV  
 RLNRLFEE

SGLITDFKISINLNPyQLRVKGLTDELSNEELFIALKNMVHRGISYLDASDDGNSSVGDYAQIVKENSQLETKTPGQIQLERYQTYGQLRGDFTEKDGGKHRLINVFPITSAYRSEALRILQTQQEFNPQITDEFINRYLEILTGKRKYYHGPNGNEKSRTDYGRYRTSGETLDNIFGILIGKCTFPDEFRAAKASYTAQEFLNNDLNNLTVPTETKKLSKEQKNQIINYVKNEKAMGPAKLFKYIAKLLSCDVADIKGYRIDKSGKAEIHTFEAYRKMKTLETL DIEQMDRETLKLAYVLTNTEREGIQEALEHEFADGSFSQKQVDELVQFRKANSSIFGKGWHNFSVLMME LIPELYETSEEQMTILTRLGKQKTSSSNKTKYIDEKLLEEEIYNPVVAKSVRQAIIKIVNAAIKEYGDFDNIVIEMARETNEDDEKKAIQKIQKANKDEKDAAMLKAANQYNGKAELPHSVFHGHKQLATKIRLWHQGGERCLYTGKTISIHDLINNSNQFEVDHILPLSITFDDSLANKVLVYATANQEKGQRTPYQALDSMDDAWSFRELKAFVRESKTLSNKKKEYLLTEEDISKFDVKKFIERNLVTRYASRVVNLALQEHFRAHKIDTKVS VRGQFTSQLRRHWGIEKTRDTYHHHAVDALIIAASSQLNLWKKQKNTLVSYSEDQLLDEITGELISDDEYKESVF KAPYQHFVDTLSKEFEDSILFSYQVDSKFNRKISDATIYATRQAKVGKDKADETYVLGKIKDIYTQDG YDAMFKIYKKDKSKFLMYRHDPPQTFEKVIEPILENPNKQINDKGKEVPCNPFLKYKEEHGYIRKYSKKGNP EIKSLKYYDSKLGHNIDTPKDSNNKVVLQSVSPWRADVYFNKTTGKYEILGLKYADLQFDKGTGTYKISQEKYNDIKKKEGV DSDSEFKFTLYKNDLLLVKDTETKEQQLFRFLSRTMPKQKHYVELKPYDKQKFE GGELIKVLGNVANGQCKKGLGKSNI SYKVRTDVLGNQHIIKNEGDKPKLDF (SEQ ID NO: 151)

**[0107]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *N. meningitidis* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MAAFKPNNPINYLGLDIGIASVGWAMVEIDEDENPICLIDLGVRFERAEPKTGDSLAMARRLARS VRRLLT RRRAHRLRARRLLKREGVLQAADFDENGLIKSLPNTPWQLRAAALDRKLTPLEWSAVLLHLIKH RGYLS QRKNEGETADKELGALLKGVADNAHALQTGDFRTPAELALNKF EKESGHIRNQRGDYSHTFSRKDLQ AELILLFEKQKEFGNPHVSGGLKEGIETLLMTQRPALSGDAVQKMLGHCTFEPKAEPKAAKNTYTAERFIWLT KNNLRILEQGSERPLTDTERATLMDEPYRKS KLTYAQARKLLGLEDTAFFKGLRYGKD NAEASTL MEMKAY HAISRALEKEGLDKKSPLNLSP ELQDEIGTAFSLFKTD EDITGRLKD RIQPEILEALLKHISFDKFVQISLKAL RRIVPLMEQGKRYDEACAEIYGDHYGKKNTEEKIYL PPIADEIRNPVVL RALSQARKVINGVVRRY GSPARIHETAREVGKSFKDRKEIEKRQEE NRKDREKAA AFREYFPNFVGEPKSKDILKLRLYEQQHGKCL YSGKEINLGRLNEKGYVEIDHALPFSRTWDDSFNNKVLVLGSENQNKG NQTPY EYFNGK DNSREWQEFKAR VETS RFPRSKKQRILLQKFEDGF KERNLNDTRYVNRF LCQFVADM RLTGKGK RVFASNG QITNLLRGFWGLRKVRAENDRH HALDAVV VACSTVAMQQK ITRFVRYKEMNAFDGKTIDKETGEVLHQKTHFPQPWEFFAQ EVMIRVFGKPDGKPEFEEADTPEK LRTLLAEKLSSRPEAVHEYVTPLFVSRAPNRKMSGQGHMETVKS AKR LDEGVSVLRVPLTQLKLKD LEKM VN RERE PKLYEALKARLEAHKDDPAK AFAEPFYKYDKAGNRTQ QVK AVRVEQVQKTGVWVRNHNGIADNATMVRDVFEKGDKYYL VPIYSWQVAKGILPDR AVVQGKDEEDW QLIDDSFNFKFSLHPNDLVEVITKKARMFGYFASCHRG TGZNINIRIHD LH KIGKNGILEGIGVKT AL SFQKY QIDELGKEIRPCRLKKRPPVR (SEQ ID NO: 152)

**[0108]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *Parvibaculum. lavamentivorans* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MERIFGFDIGTTSIGFSVIDYSSTQSAGNIQRLGVRIPEARDPDGTPLNQQRRQKRMRRQLRRRIRRKAL  
 NETLHEAGFLPAYGSADWPVMADEPYELRRRGLEEGLSAYEFGRAIYHLAQHRHFKGRELEESDTPDPD  
 VDDEKEANERAATLKALKNEQTTLGAWLARRPPSDRKRGIAHRNVVAEEFERLWEVQSKFHPALKSE  
 EMRARISDTIFAQRPVFWRKNTLGECRFMPGEPLCPKGWSLQQRRMLEKLNNLAIAGGNARPLDAEERD  
 AILSKLQQQASMSWPGVRSALKALYKQRGEPGAEKSLKFNLLEGESKLLGNALEAKLADMFGPDWPAH  
 PRKQEIRHAVHERLWAADYGETPDKKRVIILSEKDRKAHREAAANSFVADFGITGEQAAQLQALKLPTGW  
 EPYSIPALNLFLAELEKGERFGALVNGPDWEGWRRTNFPHRNQPTGEILDKLPSASPKEERERISQLRNPTV  
 VRTQNELRKVVNNLIGLYGKPDRIRIEVGRDVGKSKREREIQSGIRRNEKQRKKATEDLIKNGIANPSRDD  
 VEKWILWKEGQERCPTYGDQIGFNALFREGRYEVEHIWPRSRSPDNSPRNKTLCKDVNIEKGNRMPFEAF  
 GHDEDRWSAIQIRLQGMVSAKGGTMSPGKVKRFLAKTMPEDFAARQLNDTRYAAKQILAQLKRLWPD  
 MGPEAPVKVEAVTGQVTAQLRLWTLNILADDGEKTRADHRHHAIDALTVACTHPGMTNKLRSRYWQL  
 RDDPRAEKPALTPPWDTIRADAEEKAVSEIVVSHVRKKVSGPLHKETTYGDTGTDIKTSGYRQFVTRKK  
 IESLSKGELDEIRDPRIKEIVAAHVAGRGGDPKKAFPPYPCVSPGGPEIRKVRLTSKQQLNMAQTGNGYAD  
 LGSNHHIAIYRLPDGKADFEIVSLFDASRRLAQRNPIVQRTRADGASFVMSLAAGEAIMIPEGSKKGIWIVQ  
 GVWASGQVVERDTDADHSTTRPMPNPILKDDAKKVSIDPIGRVRPSND (SEQ ID NO: 153)

**[0109]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *Corynebacter diphtheria* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MKYHVGIDVGTFSVGLAAIEVDDAGMPIKTLSLVSHIHDSGLDPDEIKSAVTRLASSGIARRTRRLYRRKRR  
 RLQQLDKFIQRQGPVIELEDYSDPLYPWKVRAELAASYIADEKERGEKLSVALRHIARHGRWRNPYAKV  
 SSLYLPDGPSDAFKAIREEIKRASGQPVPETATVGQMVTLCELGTLKLRGEVVGLSARLQQSDYAREIQEIC  
 RMQEIGQELYRKIIDVVFAAESPKGSASSRVGKDPLQPGKNRALKASDAFQRYRIAALIGNLVRVDGEKRI  
 LSVEEKNLVFDHLVNLTPKKEPEWVTIAEILGIDRGQLIGTATMTDDGERAGARPPTHDTNRSIVNSRIAPL  
 VDWWTASALEQHAMVKALSNAEVDDFDSPREGAKVQAFFADLDDDVHAKLDSLHLPVGRAAYSEDTLV  
 RLTRRMLSDGVDLYTARLQEFGIEPSWTPPTPRIGEPVGNPAVDRVLKTVSRWLESATKTWGAPERVIIEHV  
 REGFVTEKRAREMDGDMRRRAARNAKLFQEMQEKLNVQGKPSRADLWRYQSVQRQNCQCAYCGSPITF  
 SNSEMDHIVPRAGQGSTNTRENLVAVCHRCNQSKGNTPFAIWAKNTSIEGVSVKEAVERTRHWVTDTGM  
 RSTDFFKFTKAVVERFQRATMDEEIDARSMESVAWMANELSRVAQHFASHGTTRVYRGSLTAEARRA  
 SGISGKLKFFDGVGKSRLRRHAIADAIAVIAFTSDYVAETLAVRSNLKQSQAHRQEAPQWREFTGKDAEH  
 RAAWRWCQKMEKSLALLTEDLRDDRVVMSNVRLRLGNGSAHKETIGKLSVKLSSQLSVSDIDKASS  
 EALWCALTREPGFDPEGLPANPERHIRVNGTHVYAGDNIGFPVSAGSIALRGGYAELGSSFHHARVYKI  
 TSGKKPAFAMLRYTIDLLPYRNQDLFSVELKPQTMSMRQAEKKLRDALATGNAEYLGWLVVDELVVD  
 TSKIATDQVKAVEAELGTIRRWRVDGFFSPSKLRLRPLQMSKEGIKCESAPELSKIIDRPGWLPAVNKLFS  
 GNVTVVRRDSLGRVRLESTAHPVTWKVQ (SEQ ID NO: 154)

**[0110]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *Streptococcus pasteurianus* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MTNGKILGLDIGIASVGVIIEAKTGKVVHANSRLFAANAENNAERRGFRGSRRLNRRKKHRVKVRDLF  
 EKYGIVTDFRNLNLNPYELRVKGLTEQLKNEELFAALRTISKRRGISYLDDAEDDSTGSTDYAKSIDENRRL  
 LKNKTPGQIQLERLEKYGQLRGNFTVYDENGEAHRLINVFSTSDYEKEARKILETQADYNKKITAEFIDDYV  
 EILTQKRKYYHGPGENEKSRTDYGRFRDGTTLENIFGILIGKCNFYPDEYRASKASYTAQEYNFLNDLNNLK  
 VSTETGKLSTEQKESLVEFAKNTATLGPACKLKEIAKILDCKVDEIKGYREDDKGKPDLHTFEPYRKLKFNL  
 ESINIDDSREVIDKLADILTLNTEREGIEDAIKRNLNPQFTEEQISEIIKVRKSQSTA FNKGWHSFSAKLMNE  
 LIPELYATSDEQM TILTRLEKFKVNKKSSKNTKTIDEKEVTDEIYNPVVAKS VRQTIKIINA AVKKYGFDFKI  
 VIEMPRDKNADDEKKFIDKRNKENKKE DALKRAAYLYNSSDKLPDEVFGNKQLETKIRLWYQQGER  
 CLYSGKPISIQELVHNSNNFEIDHILPLSLSFDDSLANKVLVYAWTNQEKGQKTPYQVIDSMDAAWSFREM  
 KDYVLKQKGLGKKRDYLLTTENIDKIEVKKKFIERNLV DTRYASRVVLSLQSALRELGKD TKVSVVRG  
 QFTSQLRRKWKIDKSRETYHHHAVDALIIAASSQLKWEKQDNPMFVDYGKNQVVDKQTGEILSVS DDEY  
 KELVFQPPYQGFVNTISSKGFEDEILFSYQVDSKYNRKVS DATIYSTRKAKIGKDKEETYVLGKIKDIYSQ  
 NGFDTFIKKYNKDKTQFLMYQKDSL TWENVIEVILRDYPTTKSEDGKNDVKCNPFEYRRENGLICKYSK  
 KGKGTPIKSLKYYDKKLGNCIDITPEESRNKVILQSINPWRADVYFN PETLK YELMGLKYS DLSFEKG TGNY  
 HISQEKYDAIKEKEGIGKKSEFKFTLYRNDL LLIKDIASGEQEYRFLSRTMPNVNHYVELKPYDKEKF DNQ  
 ELVEALGEADKV GRCIKGLNKP NISIYKV RTDVLGNK YFVKKKGDKPKLDFKNNKK (SEQ ID NO: 155)

**[0111]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *Neisseria cinerea* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MAAFKP NPM NYILGLDIGIASVG WAI VEIDE ENPIRLIDLGV RV FERA EV PKTGDS LAAARR LAR SVR RL  
 RR RAH RLL RARR LLKREGV LQAADF DENGLIKSLP NTPWQL RAA ALDR KL TPLE WS A VLL HLI KRG YL  
 QRKNEGETADKELG ALLKG VADN THAL QTGD FRTPA ELALN KFEK ESGH IRNQR GDY SHTF NRK DLQ AEL  
 NLLFEKQKEFGNPHVSDGLKEGIETLLMTQRPALSGDAVQKMLGHCTFEPTEPKAAKNTYTAERFVWLTK  
 LNNLRILEQGSERPLTDTERATLMDEPYRKS KL TYAQARKL LD DTAFFKGLRYGKD NAEASTL MEMKA  
 YHAISRALEKEGLKDKKSPLNLSPELQDEIGTAFSLFKTDEDITGRLKDRVQPEI LEALLKHISFDKFVQISLK  
 ALRRIVPLMEQGNRYDEACTEIYGDHYGKKNTEEKIYL PPIADEIRNPVVL RALSQARK VINGVV RRYGSP  
 ARIHIETAREVGKSF KDRKEIEKRQEE NRK DREKSA AKFREYFPNFVGEPKSKDILKRL YEQQHGKCL YSG  
 KEINLGR LNEKG YVEIDHALPFSRTWDDSFNNKVL ALGSENQNKG NQTPY EYFNGK DNSREWQEF KAR VE  
 TSRF PRSKKQRILLQKF DEDGF KERNL NDTRYINRFLCQF VADHMLLTGKGK RRVF ASNGQITNLLRG FWG  
 LR KVRAENDRH HALDAVV VAC STIAMQQK ITRFV RYKEMNA FDGKTIDKETGE VLHQKA HF PQPWEFFA  
 QEV MIRVFGKPDGKPEFEEADTPEKLRTLLAEKLSSRPEAVHKYVTPLFISRAPNRKMSGQGHMETVKS A  
 RLDEGISVLRVPLTQLKLKDLEKM VN RERE PKLYEALKARLEAHKDDPAKAFAEPFYKYDKAGNRTQQV  
 KAVRVEQVQKTGVWVHNHNGIADNATIVRVDVFEKGGKYYLVPIYSWQVAKGILPDRAVVQGKDEEDW  
 TVM DDSFEFKFVLYANDLIKLTAKKNEFLGYFVSLN RATGAIDIRTH DTDSTKGKNGIFQSVGVK TAL SFQ  
 KYQ IDELGKEIRPCRLKKRPPV R (SEQ ID NO: 156)

**[0112]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *Campylobacter lari* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MRLGFDIGINSIGWAFVENDELKDCGVRIFTKAENPKNKESSLAPRRNARSSRRLKRRKARLIAKRILAK  
 ELKLNYKDVAADGELPKAYEGSLASVYELRYKALTQNLETKDLARVILHIAKHRGYMNKNEKKSNDAK  
 KGKILSALKNNALKLENQSVGEYFYKEFFQKYKKNTKNFIKIRNTKDNYNNCVLSSDLEKELKLILEKQK  
 EFGYNYSDEFINEILKVAFFQRPLKDFSHLVGACTFFEEKRACKNSYSAWEFVALTKIINEIKSLEKISGEIV  
 PTQTINEVLNLILDKGSIYKKFRSCINLHESISFKSLKYDKENAENAKLIDFRKLVEFKKALGVHSLSRQEL  
 DQISTHTLIKDNVKLKTGLEKYNLSNEQINNLIEFNDYINLSFKALGMILPLMREGKRYDEACEIANLKP  
 KTVDEKKDFLPAFCDSIFAHELSPVVNRaiseYRKVLNALLKKYGVHKIHLELARDVGLSKKAREKIEK  
 EQKENQAVNAWALKECENIGLAKASAKNILKLWKEQKEICIYSGNKISIEHLKDEKALEVDHIYPYRSFD  
 DSFINKVLVFTKENQEKLNPFEAFGKNIKWISKIQLTAQNLPLYKKKNKILDENFKDKQQEDFISRNLNDT  
 RYIATLIAKYTKEYLNFLLLSENENANLKGEGSKVHVTISGMLTSVLRHTWGFDKKDRNNHLHHALDA  
 IIIVAYSTNSIIKAFSDFRKNQELLKARFYAKELTSNDYKHQVKFFEPFKSFREKILSKIDEIFVSKPPRKRARR  
 ALHKDTFHSENKIIDKCSNSKEGLQIALSCGRVRKIGTKYVENDTIVRVDIFKKQNKFYAPIYAMDFALGI  
 LPNKIVITGKDKNNNPQWQTIDESYEFCFSLYKNDLILLQQNMQEPEFAYYNDFSISTSSICVEKHDNKF  
 ENLTSNQKLLFSNAKEGSVKVESLGIVFEKYIITPLGDKIKADFQPRENISLTKKYGLR (SEQ ID  
 NO: 157)

**[0113]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *T. denticola* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MKKEIKDYFLGLDVGTGSVGAVTDTDYKLLKANRKDLWGMRCFETAETAEVRLHRGARRRIERRKK  
 RIKLLQELFSQEIAKTDEGFFQRMKESPFYAEDKTLQENTLFNDKDFADKTYHKAYPTINHLIKAWIENKV  
 KPDPRLYLACHNIKKRGHFLFEGDFDSENQFDTSIQALFEYLREDMEVDIDADSQKVKEILKDSSLKNSE  
 KQSRLNKILGLKPSDKQKKAITNLISGNKINFADLYDNPDLKDAEKNNSISFSKDDFDALSDLASILGDSFEL  
 LLKAKAVYNCSVLSKVIGDEQYLSFAKVKIYEKHTDLTKLNVVIKKHFPKDYKKVFGYNKNEKNNNNY  
 SGYVGVKTKSKKLIINNSVNQEDFYKFLKTILSAKSEIKEVNDILTEIETGTFLPKQISKSNAEIPYQLRKME  
 LEKILSNAEKHFSFLKQKDEGLSHSEKIIIMLLTFKIPYYIGPINDNHKKFFPDRCWVVKKEKSPSGKTPWN  
 FFDHIDKEKTAEAFTSRTNFCTYLVGESVLPKSSLLYSEYTVLNEINNLQIIDGKNICDIKLQKIYEDLFKK  
 YKKITQKQISTFIKHEGICNKTDEVIILGIDKECTSSLKSYIELKNIFGKQVDEISTKNMLEEIIRWATIYDEGE  
 GKTILTKIKAEYGKYSDEQIKKILNLKSGWGRLSRKFLETVTSEMPGFSEPVNIITAMRETQNNLMELLS  
 SEFTFTENIKKINSGFEDAEEKQFSYDGLVKPLFLSPSVKKMLWQTLKLVKEISHITQAPPKKIFIEMAKGAEL  
 EPARTKTRLKILQDLYNNCKNDADAFSSEIKDLGKCIENEDNLRLRSDKLYYYTQLGKCMYCGKPIEIGH  
 VFDTSNYDIDHIYPQSKIKDDISNRVLVSSCNKNKEDKYPLKSEIQSQRGFWNFLQRNNFISLEKLNRLT  
 RATPISDDETAKFIARQLVETRQATKVAAKVLEKMF PETKIVY SKAETVSMFRNKFDIVKCREINDFHHAH  
 DAYLNIVVGVNVYNTKFTNNPWNFIKEKRDNPKIADTYYYYKVDYDVKRNNITAWEKGKTIITVKDMMLKR  
 NTPIYTRQAACKKGELFNQTIMKKGLGQHPLKKEGPFSNISKYGGYNKVSAA YYTLIEYEKGNKIRSLETI

PLYLVVKDIQKDQDVLSYLTLLGKKEFKILVPKIKINSLLKINGFPCHITGKTNDSFLRPAVQFCCSNNEV  
 LYFKKIIRFSEIRSQRKIGKTISPYEDLSFRSYIKENWKTKNDEIGEKEFYDLLQKKNLEIYDMLLTKHHD  
 TIYKKRPNSATIDILVKGKEFKSLIIENQFEVILEILKLFSA TRNVSDLQHIGGSKYSGVAKIGNKISSLDNCI  
 LIYQSITGIFEKRIDLKV (SEQ ID NO: 158)

**[0114]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *S. mutans* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MKKPYSIGLDIGTNSVGWAVTDDYKVPACKMKVLGNTDKSHIEKNLLGALLFDMSGNTAEDRRLKRTAR  
 RRYTRRRNRILYLQEIFSEEMGVDDSFHRLEDSFLVTEDKRGGERHPIFGNLEEEVKYHENFPTIYHLRQYL  
 ADNPEKVDLRLVYLALAHIIKFRGHFLIEGKFDTRNNDVQRLFQEFLAVYDNTFENSSLQEQQNVQVEEILTD  
 KISKSAKKDRVLKLFPNEKSNGRFAEFLKLIVGNQADFKKHFELEEKAPLQFSKDTYEEELEVLLAQIGDNY  
 AELFLSAKKLYDSILLSGILTVDGKAPLSASMIQRYNEHQMDLAQLKFIRQKLSDKYNEVFSDVSKD  
 GYAGYIDGKTNQEAFYKYLKGLLNKIEGSGYFLDKIEREDFLRKQRTFDNGSIPHQIHLQEMRAIIRRQAEF  
 YPFLADNQDRIEKLLTFRIPYYVGPLARGKSDFAWLSRKSADKITPWNFDEIVDKESSAEAFINRMTNYDLY  
 LPNQKVLPKHSLLYEKFTVYNELTKVKYKTEQGKTAFFDANMKQEIFDGVFVYRKVTKDKLMDFLEKE  
 FDEFRIVDLTGLDENKVFNFASYGTYHDLCKILDKDFLDNSKNEKILEDIVLTTLFEDREMIRKRLNEYSD  
 LLTKEQVKKLERRHYTGWRSAELIHGIRNKESRKTIIDYLIDDGNSRNFMQLINDDALSFKEEIAKAQV  
 IGETDNLNQVVSAGSPAICKGILQLSLKIVDELVKIMGHQOPENIVVEMARENQFTNQGRNSQQLKGLTD  
 SIKEFGSQLIKEHPVENSQNLQNDRLFLYYLQNGRDMYTGEELDIDYLSQYDIDHIIPQAFIKDNSIDNRVLTSS  
 KENRGKSDDVPSKDVVRKMKSYWSKLLSAKLITQRKFDNLTKAERGGLTDDKAGFIKRQLVETRQITKH  
 VARILDERFNTETDENNKKIRQVKIVTLKSNLVSNFRKEFELYKVRINDYHHAHDAYLNAVIGKALLGVY  
 PQLEPEFVYGDYPFHGHKENKATAKKFFYSNIMNFFKKDDVRTDKNGEIWKKDEHISNIKKVLSYPQVN  
 IVKKVEEQTGGFSKESILPKGNSDKLIPRKTGFYWDKTYGGFDSPIVAYSILVIADIEKGSKKLKTVKAL  
 VGVTIMEKMTFERDPVAFLERKGYRVQEEENIILPKYSLFKLENGRKRLLASARELQKGNEIVLPNHLGT  
 LLYHAKNIHKVDEPKHLDYVDKHKDEFKELLVSNFSKKYTLAEGNLEKIKELYAQNNGEDLKELASSFI  
 NLLFTAIGAPATFKFFDKNIDRKRYTSTTEILNATLIHQSITGLYETRIDLNKLGGD (SEQ ID NO: 159)

**[0115]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *S. thermophilus* CRISPR 3 Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MTKPYSIGLDIGTNSVGWAVTTDNYKVPSSKKMKVLGNTSKYIKKNLLGVLLFDMSGITAEGRRLKRTARR  
 RYTRRRNRILYLQEIFSTEMATLDDAFFQRLDDSFVPPDKRDSKYPIFGNLVEEKAYHDEFPTIYHLRKYL  
 ADSTKKADLRLVYLALAHMIKYRGHFLIEGEFNSKNNDIQKNFQDFLDTYNAIFESDSLLENSKQLEEIVKD  
 KISKLEKKDRILKLFPGEKNSGIFSEFLKLIVGNQADFRKCFNLDEKASLHFSKESYDEDLETLLGYIGDDYS  
 DVFLKAKKLYDAILLSGFLTVDNETEAPLSSAMIKRYNEHKEDLALLKEYIRNISLKTNEVFKDDTKNG  
 YAGYIDGKTNQEDFYVYLLKLLAEFEGADYFLEKIDREDFLRKQRTFDNGSIPYQIHLQEMRAILDKQAKF  
 YPFLAKNKERIEKILTFRIPYYVGPLARGNSDFAWSIRKNEKITPWNFEDVIDKESSAEAFINRMTSFDLYL  
 PEEKVLPKHSLLYETFNVYNELTKVRFIAESMRDYQFLDSKQKKDIVRLYFKDKRKVTDKDIIEYLHAIYGY

DGIELKGIEKQFNSSLSTYHDLLNIINDKEFLDDSSNEAIIEEJIHTLTIFEDREMIKQRLSKFENIFDKSVLKKL  
 SRRHYTGWGKLSAKLINGIRDEKGNTILDYLIDDGISNRNFMQLIHDDALSFKKKIQKAQIIGDEDKGNIKE  
 VVKSLPGSPAIIKKGILQSIKIVDELVKVMGGRKPESIVVEMARENQYTNQGKSNSQQLKRLEKSLKELGS  
 KILKENIPAKLSKIDNNALQNDRLYLYLQNGKDMYTGDDLDIDRLSNYDIDHIIIPQAFLKDNSIDNKVLVS  
 SASNRGKSDDVPSEVVKKRKTFWYQLLKSCLISQRKFDFNLTKAERGGLSPEDKAGFIQRQLVETRQITKH  
 VARLLDEKFNNKKDENNAVRTVKIITLKSTLVSQFRKDFELYKVREINDFHHAHDAYLNAVVASALLKK  
 YPKLEPEFVYGDYPKYNFRERKSATEKVFYSNIMNIFKKSIISADGRVIERPLIEVNEETGESVWNKESDL  
 ATVRRVLSYPQVNKKVEEQNHGLDRGKPKGLFNANLSSKPKPNSNENLVGAKEYLDPKKYGGYAGIS  
 NSFTVLVKGTIEKGAKKKITNVLEFQGISILDRINYRKDKLNFLLEKGYKDIELIELPKYSLFELSDGSRRML  
 ASILSTNNKRGEIHGNQIFLSQFKVLLYHAKRISNTINENHRKYVENHKKEFEELFYYLEFNENYVGAK  
 KNGKLLNSAFQSWQNHSIDECCSFIGPTGSERKGLFELTSRGSAADFEFLGVKIPRYRDYTPSSLKDATLI  
 HQSVTGLYETRIDLAKLGEG (SEQ ID NO: 160)

**[0116]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *C. jejuni* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MARILAFDIGISSIGWAFSENDELKDCGVRIFTKVENPKTGESLALPRRLARSARKRLARRKARLNHLKHЛИ  
 ANEFKLNYYEDYQSFDESLAKAYKGSLISPYELRFRALNELLSKQDFARVILHIAKRRGYDDIKNSDDKEKG  
 AILKAQNEEKLANYQSVGEYLYKEYFQKFKENSKEFTNVRNKKESYERCIAQSFLKDELKLIFKKQREFG  
 FSFSKKFEEEVLSVAFYKRALKDFSHLVGNCSFFTDEKRAPKNSPLAFMFVALTRIINLLNNLKNTEGILYTK  
 DDLNALLNEVLKNGTLTYKQTKKLLGLSDDYEFKGEKGTYFIEFKKYKEFIKALGEHNLSQDDLNEIAKDI  
 TLIKDEIKLKKALAKYDLNQNQIDSLSKLEFKDHLNISFKALKLVTPLMLEGKKYDEACNELNLKVAINED  
 KKDFLPAFNETYKDEVTPVVLRAIKEYRKVLNALLKKYGVHKINIELAREVGKNHSQRAKIEKEQNE  
 NYKAKKDAECEKLGLKINSKNILKRLFKEQKEFCAYSGEKIKISDLQDEKMLEDHIYPYSRSFDDSYM  
 NKVLVFTKQNQEKLNQTPFEAFGNDSAKWQKIEVLAKNLPTKKQKRILDKNYKDKEQKNFKDRNLNDTR  
 YIARLVLNYTKDYLDPLSDDENTKLNDTQKGSKVHVEAKSGMLTSALRHTWGFSAKDRNNHLHHAID  
 AVIIAYANNSIVKAFAFSDFKKEQESNSAELYAKKISELDYKNKRKFFEPFGFRQKVLDKIDEIFVSKPERKKP  
 SGALHEETFRKEEEFYQSYGGKEGVLKALELGKIRKVNKGKIVKNGDMFRVDIFHKKTNKFYAVPIYMD  
 FALKVLPNAVARSKKGEIKDWILMDENEFCFSLYKDSLILIQTKDMQEPEFVYYNAFTSSTVSLIVSKHD  
 NKFETLSKNQKILFKNANEKEVIAKSIGIQNLKVFEKYIVSALGEVTKAEFRQREDFKK (SEQ ID NO: 161)

**[0117]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *P. multocida* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MQTTNLSYILGLDLGIASVGWAVVEINENEDPIGLIDVGVRIFERAEVPKTGESLALSRRRLARSTRRLIRRRA  
 HRLLLAKRFLKREGILSTIDLEKGLPNQAWELRVAGLERRLSAIEWGAVLLHLIKHRGYLSKRKNESQTNN  
 KELGALLSGVAQNHQLLQSDDYRTPAELALKFAKEEGHIRNQRGAYTHTFNRLDAAELNLLFAQQHQF  
 GNPHCKEHIQQYMTTELMWQKPALSGEAILKMLGCTHEKNEFKAAKHTYSAERFVWLTKLNNLRILED  
 GAERALNEERQLLINHPYEKSCLTYAQVRKLLGLSEQAIFKHLRYSKENAESATFMEALKAWHAIRKALEN

QGLKDTWQDLAKKPDLLEIGTAFSLYKTDEDIQQYLTNKVPNSVINALLVSLNFDKFIELSLKSLRKILPL  
 MEQGKRYDQACREIYGHYGEANQKTSQLPAIPAQEIRNPVVLRTLSQARKVINAIIRGYQGSPARVHIETG  
 RELGKSFKERREIQKQQEDNRTKRESAVQKFKEFLSDFSSEPKSKDILKFRLYEQQHGKCLYSGKEINIHRL  
 NEKGYVEIDHALPFSRTWDDSFNNKVLVLASENQNKGNTQPYEWLQGKINSERWKNFVALVLGSQCSAA  
 KKQRLLTQVIDDNKFIDRNLNDTRYIARFLSNYIQUENLLLGVKNKKNVFTPNGQITALLRSRWGLIKARENN  
 NRHHALDAIVVACATPSMQQKITRFIRFKEVHPYKJENRYEMVDQESGEIISPHFPEPWAYFRQEVNIRVFD  
 NHPDVTVLKEMLPDRPQANHQFVQPLFVSRAPTRKMSGQGHMETIKSAKRLAEGISVLRIPLTQLKPNLLEN  
 MVNKEREPALEYAGLKARLAEFNQDPAKAFATPFYKQGGQQVKAIRVEQVQKSGVLVRENNGVADNASIV  
 RTDVFIKNNKFFLVPIYTWQVAKGILPNKAIVAHKNEDEWEEMDEGAKFKFSLFPNDLVELTKKEYFFGY  
 YIGLDRATGNISLKEHDGEISKGDGVYRVGVLALSFEKYQVDELGKNRQICRPQQRQPVR (SEQ ID NO:  
 162)

**[0118]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *F. novicida* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MNFKILPIAIIDLGVKNTGVFSAFYQKGTSLERLDNKNGKVYELSKDSYTLMMNNRTARRHQRRGIDRKQL  
 VKRLFKLIWTEQLNLEWDKDTQQAISFLNRRGFSFITDGYSPEYLNIVPEQVKAILMDIFDDYNGEDDLDS  
 YLKlateQESKISEIYNKLMQKILEFKLMKLCTDIKDDKVSTKLKEITSYEFELLADYLANYSESLKTQKFS  
 YTDKQGNLKELSYYHHDKYNIQEFLKRHATINDRILDLLTDDLDIWNFNFEKFDFDKNEEKLQNQEDKD  
 HIQAHLHHFVFVNKIKSEMASGGRHRSQYFQEITNVLDENNHQEGYLKNFCENLHNKKYSNLSVKNLVN  
 LIGNLSNLELKPLRKYFNDKIHKADHWDEQKFTETYCHWILGEWRVGVDQDKDGAKSYKDLCNEL  
 KQKVTKAGLVDFLELDPCRTIPPYLDNNNRKPPKCQSLILNPKFLDNQYPNWQQYLQELKKLQSIQNYLD  
 SFETDLKVLKSSKDQPYFVEYKSSNQQIASGQRDYKDLDARILQFIFDRVKASDELLNEIYFQAKKLQKA  
 SSELEKLESSKKLDEVIANSQLSQILKSQHTNGIFEQGTFHLVCKYYKQRQRARDSRLYIMPEYRYDKKLH  
 KYNNNTGRFDDDNQLLTYCNHKPRQKRYQLNDLAGVLQVSPNFLDKIGSDDDLFISKWLVEHIRGFKKA  
 CEDSLKIQKDNRGLLNHKINIARNTKGKCEKEIFNLICKIEGSEDKGNYKHGLAYELGVLFGEPNEASKP  
 EFDRKIKKFNSIYSFAQIQQIAERKGNAINTCAVCSADNAHRMQQIKITEPVENDKDKIILSAKAQRLPAIP  
 TRIVDGAVKKMATILAKNIVDDNWQNIKQVLSAKHQLHPIITESNAFEFEPALADVKGKSLKDRRKKALE  
 RISPENIFDKNNRIKEFAKGISAYSGANLTDGDFDGAKEELDHIIPRSHKKYGTLNDEANLICVTRGDNKN  
 KGMRIFCLRDLADNYKLQFETTDDLEIEKKIADTIWDANKDFKFGNYRSFINLTPQEKAFRHALFLADE  
 NPIKQAVIRAINNRNRTFVNGTQRYFAEVLANNIYLRAKKENLNTDKISFDYFGIPTIGNGRGIAEIRQLYEK  
 VDSDIQAYAKGDKPQASYSHLIDAML AFCIAADEHRNDGSIGLEIDKNYSLYPLDKNTGEVFTKDIIFSQIKIT  
 DNEFSDKKLVRKKAIEGFNTHRQMTRDGIYAENYLPILIHKELEVRKGYTWNSEEIKIFKGKKYDIQQL  
 NNLVYCLKFVDKPISIDIQISTLEELRNILTNNIAATAEYYYNLTKLHEYYIENYNTALGYKKYSKEME  
 FLRSLAYRSERVKIKSIDDVKQVLDKDSNFIIGKITLPFKKEWQRLYREWQNTTIKDDYEFLKSFFNVKSITK  
 LHKKVRKDFSLPISTNEGKFLVKRKTWDNNFIYQILNDSRADGKPFIPAFDISKNEIVEAIIDSFTSKNIF  
 WLPKNIELQKVVDNKNIFAIDTSKWFEVETPSDLRDIGIATIQYKIDNNSRPKVRVKLDYVIDDSKINYFMN  
 HSLLKSRYPDKVLEILKQSTIIEFESSGFNKTIKEMLGMKLAGIYNETSNN (SEQ ID NO: 163)

**[0119]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *Lactobacillus buchneri* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MKVNNYHIGLDIGTSSIGWVAIGKDGKPLRVKGKTAIGARLFQEGNPAADRRMFTRRLSRRKWRLKL  
 LEEIFDPYITPVDSFSTFFARLKQSNLSPKDSRKEFKGSMIFPDLTDMQYHKNYPTIYHLRHALMTQDKKFDIR  
 MVYLAIHHIVKYRGNFLNTPVDSFKASKVDFVDQFKKLNELYAAINPEESFKINLANSEDIGHQFLDPSIRK  
 FDKKKQIPKIVPVMMNDKVTDRLLNGKIASEIIHAILGYAKL DVVLQCTPVDSKPWALKFDDEDIDAKLEK  
 ILPEMDENQQSIVAILQNLYSQVTLNQIVPNGMSLSES MIEKYNDHHDLKLYKKLIDQLADPKKKAVLKK  
 AYSQYVGDDGKIEQAEFWSSVKNLDDSELSKQIMDLIDA EKFMPKQRTSQNGVIPHQLHQRELDEIEH  
 QSKYYPWLV EINPNKHDHLAKYKIEQLVAFRVPYYVGPMITPKDQAESAETVFSWMERKG TETGQITPW  
 NFDEKVDRKASANRFIKRMTTKDTYLIGEDVLPDESLLYEKFKVLNE LMVRVNGKLLK VADKQAFQDL  
 FENYKHVSVKLQNYIKAKTGLPSDPEISGLSDPEHFNNSLGTYNDFKKLFGSKVDEPDLQDDFEKIVEWST  
 VFEDKKILREKLNEITWLSDQQKDVL LESSRYQGWGRLSKKLTGIVNDQGERIDKLWNTNKNFMQIQSDD  
 DFAKRIHEANADQM QAVDVEDVLADAYTSPQNKKAIRQVVKVVDDIQKAMGGVAPKYISIEFTRSED RNP  
 RRTISRQRQLENTLKD TAKSLAKSINPELLSELDNAAKSKKGLTDRLYLYFTQLGKDIYTGEPINIDELNKYD  
 IDHILPQAFIKDNSDLNRVLVLTAVNNGKSDNVPLRMFGAKMGHFWKQLAEAGLISKRKLNLTDPDTIS  
 KYAMHGFIRRQLVETSQVIKLVANILGDKYRNDDTKIIETARMNHQMRDEFGFIKNREINDYHHAFDAYL  
 TAFLGRYL YHRYIKLRPYFVYGDFFKREDKVTMRFNFHDLTDDTQE KIADAETGEVIWDRENSIQQLK  
 DVYHYKFMLISHEVYTLRGAMFNQTVYPAS DAGKRKLIPVKADRPVN VYGGYSGSADAYMAIVRIHNKK  
 GDKYRVVGVPMRALDRLLAAKNVSDADFDRALKDV LAPQLTKTKSRKTGEITQVIEDFEIVLGKVMYR  
 QLMIDGDKKFMLGSSTYQYNAKQLVSDQSVKTLASKGR LDPLQESMDYNNVY TEILDKV NQYFSLYDM  
 NKFRHKLN LGFSKFISFPNHNVL DGNTKVSSGKREILQEILNGLHANPTFGNLKV GITTPFGQLQQPNGILL  
 SDET KIRYQSPTGLFERTVSLKDL (SEQ ID NO: 164)

**[0120]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *Listeria innocua* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MKPYTIGLDIGTNSVGWAVLTDQYDLVKRKMKIAGDSEKKQIKKNFWGVRLFDEGQTAADRRMARTA  
 RRRIERRNRISY LQGIFAEEMSKTDANFFCRLSDSFYVDNEKRNSRHPFFATIEEVEYHKNYPTIYHLREE  
 LVNSSEKADRLVYLA LAHIKYRGNFLIE GALDTQNTSVDGIYKQFI QTYNQVFASGIEDGSLKKLEDNKD  
 VAKILVEK VTRKEKLERILKLY PGEKSAGMFAQFISLIVGSKGNFQKPF D LIEKSDIECAKDSYEEDLESLLA  
 LIGDEYAE LFVA AKNAYSAV VLSSIITVAETETNAKLSASMIEFDTHEEDL GELKAFIKLHLPKHYEEIFSN  
 TEK HG YAGYIDG KTKQADFYKYM KMTLENIEGADYFIAKIEKENFLRKQRTFDNGAIPHQLHLEE AILH  
 QQAKYYPFLKENYDKIKSLVTFRIPYFVGPLANGQSEFAW LTRKADGEIRPWNIEEKVDFGKSAVDFIEKM  
 TNKDTYLPKENVLPKHSCLCYQKYL VYNELTKVRYINDQGKTSYFSGQEKEQIFNDLFKQKRKVKKKDLEL  
 FLRNMSHVESPTIEGLEDSFNSSYSTYH DLLKVG IKQEILDNPVNTEMLENIVKILTVFEDKRM IKEQLQQFS  
 DVLGVV LKKLERRHYTG WGR LSAKLLMGIRDKQSHLTILDYLMNDDGLNRNLMQLINDSNSF KSIIEK  
 EQVTTADKDIQSIVADLAGSPA IKKGILQLSKIVDELVSVMGYPPQTIVVEMARENQTTGKGKNN SRPRYKS

LEKAIKEFGSQLKEHPTDNQELRNNRLYLYLQNGKDMYTGQDLDIHNLNSYDIDHIVPQSFTDNSIDNL  
 VLTSSAGNREKGDDVPPLEIVRKRKVFWEKLYQGNLMSKRKFDTLTKAERGGLTEADKARFIHRQLVETR  
 QITKNVANILHQRFNYEKDDHGNTMKQVRIVTLKSALVSQFRKQFQLYKVRDVNDYHHAHDAYLNGVV  
 ANTLLKVYPQLEPEFYGDYHQFDWFKANKATAKKQFYTNIMLFFAQKDRIIDENGEILWDKKYLDTVKK  
 VMSYRQMNVVKTEIQKGEFSKATIKPKGNSSKLIPRKTNWDPMKYGGLDSPNMAYAVVIEYAKGKNKLV  
 FEKKIIRVTIMERKAEEKDEKAFLLEEQGYRQPKVLAKLPKYTLYECEEGRRLMLASANEAQKGNQQVLPN  
 HLVTLLHHAANCEVSDGKSLDYIESNREMFAELLAHVSEFAKRYTLEAEANLNKINQLFEQNKEGDIKAIAQ  
 SFVDLMAFNAMGAPASFKFFETTIERKRYNNLKELLNSTIYQSITGLYESRKLDD (SEQ ID NO: 165)

**[0121]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *L. pneumophilia* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MESSQILSPIGIDLGGKFTGVCLSHLEAFALPNHANTKYSVILIDHNNFQLSQAQRRASTRHRVRNKKRNQF  
 VKRVALQLFQHILSRDLNAKEETALCHYLNNGTYVDTDLDEYIKDETTINLLKELLPSSEHNFFIDWFLQ  
 KMQSSEFRKILVSKVEEKDDKELKNAVKNKNFITGFEKNSVEGHRHRKVFENIKSDITKDNQLDSIKKK  
 IPSVCLSNLGHLSNLQWKNLHRYLAKNPQFDEQTFGNEFLRMLKNFRHLKGSQESLAVRNLIQQLEQSQ  
 DYISILEKTPPEITIPPYEARTNTGMEKDQSLLNPEKLNLYPNWRNLIQPGIIDAHPFLEKDLLEHTKLRDRKR  
 IIISPSKQDEKRD SYILQRYLDLNKKIDKF KIKKQLSFLGQGKQLPANLIETQKEMETHFNSSLVS VLIQIASAY  
 NKEREDAAQGIWF DNA FSL CELS NIN PPRK QK ILPLL VGAIL SED FINN KDK WAKF KIF WNTH KIGRTSLKS  
 KCKEIEEARKNSGN AFK ID YEE ALNH PE HS NN KAL IKI QTIP DIQAI QSH LGH ND SQ ALI YH NP FS LSQL YTI  
 LETK RDGF HKNC VAVTCEN YWRS QK TEID PE ISY AS RLP AD SVR PFD GVL AR MM QRL AYE I AMAK WE QIK  
 HIPD NSS LL PI YLE QNR FEF EES FK KIK GSS SD KT LE QAI EK QNI Q WEEK FQ RI IN AS MN IC PY KG AS IGG QGE  
 IDHIY PRS LS KK HF GV IFN SE VN LIY CSS QGN REK KEE HYL LEH LS PLY LK HQ FG TD NV SDI KN FIS QN VANI  
 K KY IS FH LL TPE QQ KA AR HAL F LD YD DE AF K T IT KFL M SQQ KAR VNG T QK FL GK QIME FL ST LAD SK QL QL  
 EFSIK QITA EEV HDH RE LL SK QEP KLV KSR QQSFP SHAI D AT LT M S IGL KE FP QFS QEL D NSW F IN H L MP DEV  
 HLNP VRS KE KYN KPN IS STPL FK D SLY AER FIP VV VK GET FAIG FSE KDL F EIK PSN KE KLF LL KT YST KNP  
 GESLQELQAKSKAKWLYFPINKT LALEFLHHYFHKEIVTPDDTTVCHFINS LR YY TK KES IT V KIL KEP MP VL  
 SVKFESSKKNVLGSFKHTIALPATKDWERLFNHPNFLALKANPAPNPKEFNEFIRKYFLSDNNPNSDIPNNG  
 HNIKPQKHKA VR KVFS LPVIPGNAGTMMRIRRKD NKGQPLYQLQTIDDTPSMGIQINEDRLVKQEVLMDA  
 YKTRNLSTIDGINNSEGQAYATFDNWLTPVSTFKPEIIKLEMKPHSKTRRYIRITQSLADFIKTIDEALMIKP  
 SDSIDDPLNMPNEIVCKNKLFGNELKPRDGKMKIVSTGKIVTYEFESDSTPQWIQTL YVTQLKKQP (SEQ ID  
 NO: 166)

**[0122]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *N. lactamica* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MAAFKP NPM NYIL GL DIGIA SVG WAM VE VDEE ENPI RL IDLG V RV FERA EV PKTG DSLA MARR LAR SV RL  
 TRRR AH RLL RAR LL KREG V LQD ADF DENG LV KSL PNT PW QL RA A AL DR KL T CLE WS A V LL HL VKH RG Y  
 LS QRK NE GET A D KEL G ALL KG VAD NA HAL QT GD F RT PA EL AL NKF EKE SG HIR N QRG D YS HT F SR K DL Q A

ELNLLFEKQKEFGNPHVSDGLKEDIETLLMAQRPAISGDAVQKMLGHCTFEPKAEPKAAKNTYTAERFIWL  
 TKLNNLRILEQGSERPLTDTERATLMDEPYRKSCLTYAQARKLLGLEDTAFFKGLRYGKDNEAESTLMEM  
 KAYHAISRALEKEGLDKKSPLNLSTELQDEIGTAFSLFKTDKDTGRLKDRVQPEILEALLKHISFDKFVQIS  
 LKALRRIVPLMEQGKRYDEACAEIYGDHYCKKNAEEKIYLPPIPADEIRNPVVLRALSQARKVINCVRYY  
 GSPARIHETAREVGKSFKDRKEIEKRQEENRKDREKAAAKFREYFPNFVGEPKSKDILKLRLYEQQHGKCL  
 YSGKEINLVRLNEKGYVEIDHALPFSRTWDDSFNNKVLVLGSENQNKGQNQTPYEYFNGKDNSREWQEFKA  
 RVETSRFPRSKKQRILLQKFDEEGFKERNLNDTRYVNRFQFCVADHILLTGKGKRRVFASNGQITNLLRGF  
 WGLRKVRTENDRHHALDAVVVACSTVAMQQKITRFVRYKEMNAFDGKTIDKETGEVLHQKAHFPQPWE  
 FFAQEVMIRVFGKPDGKPEFEEADTPEKLRTLLAEKLSSRPEAVHEYVTPLFVSAPNRKMSGQGHMETVK  
 SAKRLDEGISVLRVPLTQLKLKGLEKMVNREREPPLYDALKAQLETHKDDPAKAFAYDKAGSRTQ  
 QVKAVRIEQVQKTGVWWVRNHNGIADNATMVRDVFEKGKYYLVPISWQVAKGILPDRAVVAFKDEE  
 DWTVMDDSFEFRFVLYANDLIKLTAKKNEFLGYFVSLNRATGAIDIRTHDSTKGKNGIFQSVGVKTALS  
 FQKNQIDEGLKEIRPCRLKKRPPVR (SEQ ID NO: 167)

**[0123]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *N. meningitidis* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MAAFKPNNPINYLGLDIGIASVGWAMVEIDEDEDENPICLIDLGVRFERAEVPKTGDSLAMARRLARSVRRLT  
 RRRAHRLRARRLLKREGVLQAADFDENGLIKSLPNTPWQLRAAALDRKLTPLEWSAVLLHLIKHRGYLES  
 QRKNEGETADKELGALLKGVDNAHALQTGDFRTPAELALNKFEKESGHIRNQRGDYSHTFSRKDLQAEIL  
 ILLFEKQKEFGNPHVSGGLKEGIETLLMTQRPALSGDAVQKMLGHCTFEPKAEPKAAKNTYTAERFIWLTKL  
 NNLRILEQGGERPLTDTERATLMDEPYRKSCLTYAQARKLLGLEDTAFFKGLRYGKDNEAESTLMEMKAY  
 HAISRALEKEGLDKKSPLNLSPELQDEIGTAFSLFKTDEDITGRLKDRIQPEILEALLKHISFDKFVQISLKAL  
 RRIVPLMEQGKRYDEACAEIYGDHYGKKNTEEKIYLPPIPADEIRNPVVLRALSQARKVINGVVRRYGSPAR  
 IHETAREVGKSFKDRKEIEKRQEENRKDREKAAAKFREYFPNFVGEPKSKDILKLRLYEQQHGKCLYSGKE  
 INLGRLENKGYVEIDHALPFSRTWDDSFNNKVLVLGSENQNKGQNQTPYEYFNGKDNSREWQEFKARVETS  
 RPPRSKKQRILLQKFDEGFKERNLNDTRYVNRFQFCVADRMRLTGKGKRVFASNGQITNLLRGFWGL  
 RKVRAENDRHHALDAVVVACSTVAMQQKITRFVRYKEMNAFDGKTIDKETGEVLHQKTHFPQPWEFFAQ  
 EVMIRVFGKPDGKPEFEEADTPEKLRTLLAEKLSSRPEAVHEYVTPLFVSAPNRKMSGQGHMETVKSAGR  
 LDEGVSVLRVPLTQLKLKDLEKMVNREREPPLYEALKARLEAHKDDPAKAFAYDKAGNRTQQVK  
 AVRVEQVQKTGVWWVRNHNGIADNATMVRDVFEKGDKYYLVPISWQVAKGILPDRAVVQGKDEEDW  
 QLIIDDSFNFKFSLHPNDLVEVITKKARMFGYFASCHRGTGNINIRIHDLDHKIGKNGILEGIGVKTALSFQKY  
 QIDEGLKEIRPCRLKKRPPVR (SEQ ID NO: 168)

**[0124]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *B. longum* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MLSRQLLGASHLARPVSYSYNVQDNDVHCSYGERCFMRGKRYRIGIDVGLNSVGLAAVEVSDENSPVLL  
 NAQSVIHDGGVDPQKNKEAITRKNMSGVARTRRMRRKRERLHKLDMLLGKFGYPVIEPESLDKPFEEW

HVRAELATRYIEDDELRRRESISIALRHMARHRGWRNPYRQVDSLISDNPKYSKQYGELKEKAKAYNDDATA  
 AEEESTPAQLVVAMLDAGYAEAPRLRWRTGSKKPDAEGYLPVRLMQEDNANELKQIFRVQRVPADEWKP  
 LFRSVFYAVSPKGSAEQRVGQDPLAPEQARALKASLAFQEYRIANVITNLRIKDASAELRKLTVDKQSIYD  
 QLVSPSSEDITWSDLCDFLGFKRSQLKGVGSLTEDGEERISSRPPRLTSVQRIYESDNKIRKPLVAWWKSAS  
 DNEHEAMIRLLSNTVDIDKVREDVAYASAIEFIDGLDDDALTKLDSVDPGRAYSVETLQKLTRQMLTT  
 DDDLHEARKTLFNVTDSWRPPADPIGEPLGNPSVDRVLKNVNRYLMNCQQRWGNPVSVNIEHVRSSFSSV  
 AFARKDKREYEKNNEKRSIFRSSLSEQLRADEQMEKVRESDLRLEAIQRQNGQCLYCGRTITFRCEMDH  
 IVPRKGVGSTNTRTNFAAVCAECNRMKSNTPFAIWARSEDAQTRGVSLAEAKRVTMFTNPKSYAPREV  
 KAFKQAVIARLQQTEDDAIDNRSIESVAWMADELHRRIDWYFNAKQYVNSASIDDAEAETMKTTSVFQ  
 GRVTASARRAAGIEGIKHFIGQQSKTRLDRRHAVDASVIAMMNTAAAQTLMERESLRESQRLIGLMPGER  
 SWKEYPYEGTSRYESFHLWLDNMVDVLLNLDALNDNRIAQMOSQRYVLGNSIAHDATIHPLEKVPLGSA  
 MSADLIRRASSTPALWCALTRLPDYDEKEGLPEDSHREIRVHDTRYSADDEMFFASQAAQIAVQEGLADIG  
 SAIHHARVYRCWKTNAKGVRKYFYGMIRVFQTDLLRACHDDLTVPLPPQSISMRYGEPRVVQALQSGNA  
 QYL GSL VVG DEIEMDFSSLVDGQIGEYLQFFSQFSGGNLAWKHWVVDGFFNQTQLRIRPRYLAEGLAK  
 AFSDDVVPGVQKIVTKQGWLPPVNTASKTAVRIVRNAFGEPRLSSAHMPCSWQWRHE (SEQ ID NO:  
 169)

**[0125]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *A. muciniphila* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

MSRSLTFSFDIGYASIGWAVIASASHDDADPSVCGCGTVLFPKDDCQAFKRREYRRLRRNIRSRRVRIERIG  
 RLLVQAQIITPEMKETSGHPAFFYLASEALKGHRTLAPIELWHVLRWYAHNRGYDNNASWSNSLSEDGGN  
 GEDTERVKHAQDLMKDHGTTATMAETICRELKLEEGKADAPMEVSTPAYKNLNTAFPRLIVEKEVRRILELS  
 APLIPGLTAEIELIAQHHPLTTEQRGVLLQHGIKLARRYRGSLFGQLIPRFDNRIISRCPTWAQVYEAEKL  
 KGNSEQSARERAEKLSKVPTANCPEFYERYMARILCNIRADGEPLSAEIRRELMNQARQEGKLTAKASLEKAI  
 SSRLGKETETNVSNYFTLHPDSEEALYLNPAVEVLQRSGIGQILSPSVYRIAANRLRRGKSVTPNYLLNLLKS  
 RGESGEALEKKIEKESKKREADYADTPLPKYATGRAPYARTVLKKVVEEILDGEDPTRPARGEAHPDGEL  
 KAHDGCLYCLLDTDSSVNQHQKERRLDMTNNHLVRHRMLLIDRLLKDLIQDFADGQKDRISRVCVEVG  
 KELTTFSAMDSKKIQRERLTLRQKSHTDAVNRLKRKLPKGALSANLIRKCRIAMDMNWTCPFTGATYGDHE  
 LENLELEHIVPHSFRQSNALSSLVLTWPGVNRMKGQRTGYDFVEQEQQENPVDPDKPNLHICSLNNYRELVEK  
 LDDKKGHEDDRRKRRKALLMRGLSHKHQSQNHEAMKEIGMTEGMMTQSSHLMKLACKSIKTSPLD  
 AHIDMIPGAVTAEVRAWDVFGFKELCPEAADPDSGKILKENLRSLTHLHALDACVGLIPTYIIPAHHN  
 GLLRRVLAMRRIPEKLIPQVRPVANQRHYVLNDDGRMMLRDLASASLKENIREQLMEQRVIQHVPADMGG  
 ALLKETMQRVLSVDGSGEDAMVSLSKKKDGKKEKNQVKASKLGVPEGPSKLKALKAAIEIDGNYGVA  
 LDPKPVIRHIKFVKRIMALKEQNGGKPVRLKKGMLIHLTSSKDPKHAGVWRIESIQDSKGGVKLDLQRA  
 HCAVPKNKTHECNWREVDLISLLKKYQMKRYPTSYTGTPR (SEQ ID NO: 170)

**[0126]** In some embodiments the Cas9 protein can be *O. laneus* Cas9 and may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

METTLGIDLGTNSIGLALVDQEEHQILYSGVRIFPEGINKDTIGLGEKEESRNATRRAKRQMRRQYFRKKLR  
KAKLLELLIAYDMCPLKPEDVRRWKNWDKQQKSTVRQFPDTPAFREWLKQNPYELRKQAVENTEDVTRPEL  
GRILYQMIQRRGFLSSRKGKEEGKIFTGKDRMVGIDETRKNLQKQTLGAYLYDIAPNKEKYRFRTERVRA  
RYTLRDMYIREFEIIWQRQAGHLGLAHEQATRKKNIFLEGSATNVRNSKLITHLQAKYGRGHVLIEDTRITV  
TFQLPLKEVLLGGIEIEEQLKFKSNESVLFWQRPLRSQSKSLLSKCVFEGRFYDPVHQKWIIAGPTPAPLSH  
PEFEEFRAYQFINNIYKNEHTAIQREAVFELMCTESKDFNFEKIPKHLKLFEKFNFDDTTKVPACTTISQL  
RKLFPHPVWEEKREEIWHCFYFYDDNTLLFEKLQKDYLALQTNDLEKIKKIRLSESYGNVSLKAIRRINPYLK  
KGYAYSTA VLLGGIRNSFGKRFEYFKEYEPEIEKAVCRILKEKNAEGERVKIKDYLVHNRGFAKNDRAFQ  
KLYHHSQAITTQAQKERLPETGNLRNPIVQQGLNELRTVNKLATCREKYGPSFKFDHIHVEMGRELRSS  
KTEREKQSRQIRENEKKNEAAVKLAEYGLKAYRDNIQKYLKYKEIEEKGGTVCCPYTGKTLNISHTLGSD  
NSVQIEHIIPYSISLDSLANKTLCDATFNREKGELTPYDFYQKDPSPKEWGASSWEIEDRAFRLLPYAKAQ  
RFIRRKPQESNEFISRQLNDTRYISKKAVEYLSAICSDVKAFFQLTAELRHLWGLNNILQSAPDITFPLPVSA  
TENHREYYVITNEQNEVIRLFPKQGETPRTEKGELLTGEVERVKFRCKGMQEFTDVSVDGKYWRIKLLS  
SVTWSPLFAPKPISADGQIVLKGRIEKGVFVCNQLKQKLKTGLPDGSYWISLPVISQTFKEGESVNNSKLTSQ  
QVQLFGRVREGIFRCHNYQCPASGADGNFWCTLTDATAQPAFTPIKNAPPGVGGQIILTGDVDDKGIFHA  
DDDLHYELPASLPKGYYYGIFTVESCDPTLIPIELSAPKTSKGENLIEGANIWVDEHTGEVRFDPKKNREDQR  
HHAIDAIVIALSSQSLFQRLSTYNARRENKKRGLDSTEHFSPWPGFAQDVRQSVVPLLVSYKQNPKTLCKI  
SKTLYKDGGKIHSCGNNAVRGQLHKETVYQRTAPGATEKSYHIRKDIRELTSKHIGKVVDITIRQMLLKH  
LQENYHIDITQEENIPSNAFFKEGVYRIFLPNKHGEPVPIKKIRMKEELGNAERLKDNNINQYVNPRNNHHVMI  
YQDADGNLKEEIVSFWSVIERQNQGQPIYQLPREGRNIVSILQINDTFLIGLKEEEPEVYRNDLSTSKHLYR  
VQKLSGMYYTFRHHLASTLNNEEFRIQSLEAWKRANPVKVQIDEIGRITFLNGPLC (SEQ ID NO: 171).

**[0127]**

**[0128]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein comprises a sequence isolated or derived from a CRISPR Cas protein or portion thereof. In some embodiments, the CRISPR Cas protein comprises a Type V CRISPR Cas protein. In some embodiments, the Type V CRISPR Cas protein comprises a Cpf1 protein. Exemplary Cpf1 proteins of the disclosure may be isolated or derived from any species, including, but not limited to, a bacteria or an archaea. Exemplary Cpf1 proteins of the disclosure may be isolated or derived from any species, including, but not limited to, *Francisella tularensis* subsp. *novicida*, *Acidaminococcus* sp. *BV3L6* and *Lachnospiraceae* bacterium sp. *ND2006*. Exemplary Cpf1 proteins of the disclosure may be nuclease inactivated.

**[0129]** Exemplary wild type *Francisella tularensis* subsp. *Novicida* Cpf1 (FnCpf1) proteins of the disclosure may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

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1 MSIYQEFVNK YSLSKTLRFE LIPQGKTLEN IKARGLLDD EKRAKDYKKA KQIIDKYHQF
61 FIEEILSSVC ISEDLLQNY S DVYFKLKKSD DDNLQKDFKS AKDTIKKQIS EYIKDSEKF
121 NLFNQNLI DA KKQESDLIL WLKQSKDNGI ELFKANS DIT DIDEALEIIK SFKGWTTYFK
181 GFHENRKNVY SSNDIPTSII YRIVDDNLPK FLENKAKYES LKDKAPEAIN YEQIKKDLAE
241 ELTFDIDYKT SEVNQRVFSL DEVFEIANFN NYLNQSGITK FNTIIGGKFV NGENTKRKG
301 NEYINLYSQQ INDKTLKKYK MSVLFKQILS DTESKSFVID KLEDDSDVVT TMQSFYEQIA
361 AFKTVEEKSI KETLSLLFDD LKAQKLDLSK IYFKNDKSLT DLSQQVFDDY SVIGTAVLEY
421 ITQQIAPK NL DNPSKKEQEL IAKKTEKAKY LSLETIKLAL EEFNHRDID KQCRFEEILA
481 NFAAI PMIFD EIAQNKDNLA QISIKYQNQG KKDLLQASAE DDVKAICDLL DQTNNLLHKL
541 KIFHISQSED KANILDKDEH FYLVFEECYF ELANIVPLYN KIRNYITQKP YSDEKFKLN
601 ENSTLANGWD KNKEPDNTAI LFIKDDKYYL GVMNKKNNKI FDDKAIKENK GEGYKKIVYK
661 LLPGANKMLP KVFFSAKS IK FYNPSEDILR IRNHSTHTKN GSPQKGYEKF EFNIEDCRKF
721 IDFYKQSKISK HPEWKDFGFR FS D T Q R Y N S I DEFYREVENQ GYKLTFENIS ESYIDS VVNQ
781 GKLYLFQIYN KDFSAYS KGR PNLHTLYWKA LF DERNLQDV VYKLNGEAEL FYRKQSI PPK
841 ITHPAKEAIA NKNKDNPKKE SVF EYD LIK D KRFTE DKFFF HCPITINFKS SGANKF NDEI
901 NLLLKEKAND VHILSIDRGE RHLAYYT LVD GKGNI I K Q D T FNIIGNDRMK TNYHDKLA A I
961 EKDRDSARKD WKKINNIKEM KEGYLSQV VH EIAKLVIEYN AIVV FEDLNF GFKRGRF KVE
1021 KQVYQKLEKM LIEKLN YLV F KDN EFD KTG G VL RAY QLT A P FET FKKM G K Q TG II YY V PAG
1081 FTSKICPV TG FVNQ L YPKYE SVSKS QEFFS KFD KIC YN LD KGYF EFS FD Y KNFGD KAAK G
1141 KWTIASFGSR LINFRNS DKN HNW DTREV YP TKE LEK LLKD YSIEY GH GEC I KAAI C GESD
1201 KKFFAKLTSV LNTILO QMRNS KTGT ELDY LI SPVAD VNGF FDSRQAPKNM PQDADANGAY
1261 HIGLKGL MLL GRIK NNQ EGK KLN LVI KNEE YFE FVQ NRNN (SEQ ID NO: 172).

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**[0130]** Exemplary wild type *Lachnospiraceae* bacterium sp. ND2006 Cpf1 (LbCpf1) proteins of the disclosure may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

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1 AASKLEKFTN CYSLSKTLRF KAI PVGKTQE NIDNKRLLVE DEKRAEDYKG VKKLLDRYYL
61 SFINDV LHSI KLKNLNNY IS LFRKKTRTEK ENKELENLEI NLRKEIAKAF KGAAGYKSLF
121 KKDII ETILP EAADDKDEIA LVNSFNGFTT AFTGF DNRE NM FSEEAKST SIAFRCINEN
181 LTRYISNMDI FEKVDAI FDK HEVQ EIKEKI LNSDYDVEDF FEGEFFNFVL TQEGIDVYNA
241 II GG FV TESG EKI KGLNEYI NLYNAKTKQA LPKF KPL YKQ VLS DRESLSF YGEGY TSDEE
301 VLEVFRNTLN KNSEIFSSIK KLEKLFKNFD EYSSAGIFVK NGPAISTISK DIFGEWNLIR
361 DKWNAEYDDI HLKKKAVVTE KYEDDRRKS F K KIGSFSLSEQ LQ EYADADLS VVEKLKE III
421 QKVDEIYK VY GSSEKLF DAD FVLEKSLKKN DAVVAIMKDL LDSVKS FEN Y IKAFFGEK E
481 TNRDES FYGD FV LAYDILLK VDH IYDAIRN YVTQKPY SKD KFKLYFQNPQ FMGGWDKDK E
541 TDYRATI LRY GSKYYLA IMD KKYAKCLQKI DKDDVNGNYE KINYKLLPGP NKMLPKVFFS
601 KKWMAYNPS EDI QK IYKNG TFKKGDMFNL NDCHKLIDFF KDSISRYPKW SNAYDFNFSE
661 TEKYKDIAGF YREVEE QGYK VSFESASKKE VDKLVEEGKL YMFOIY NKDF SDKSHGTPNL
721 HTMYF KLLFD ENNHGQI RL GGAEL FMRRA SLKKEELVVH PAN SPIANKN PDNP KKT T T L
781 SYDVYKDKRF SEDQYELH IP IA IN KCPK NI FK INT E VRL LKHDDN PYVI GIDRGERNLL
841 YIVVV DGKGN IVEQ YSLNEI INNFNGIRIK TDYHSLLDKK EKERFEAR QN WTSIENI KEL
901 KAGYISQV VH KICEL VEKYD AVIALED LNS GFKN SRV KVE KQVYQKFEK M LIDKLN YMV D
961 KKSNCATGG ALKGYQITNK FESFKSMSTQ NGFIFYI PAW LTSKIDPSTG FVNLLK TKYT
1021 SIADSKKFIS SFDRIM YVPE EDL FEFAL DY K NF SRT DAD Y I KKWKLY SYG NRIRIFA AAK
1081 KNNVFAWE EV CLT SAYK E LF NK YG I NYQ QG DIR ALLCEQS DKA FYSS FMA LMSLMI QMRN
1141 SITGRTDV DF LIS PVK NSDG I FYD SR NYEA QENAI LPK NA DANGAY NIAR KVLWAIGQFK
1201 KAEDEKLD KV KIA ISN KEWL EYA QTSV K (SEQ ID NO: 173).

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**[0131]** Exemplary wild type *Acidaminococcus sp. BV3L6 Cpf1* (AsCpf1) proteins of the disclosure may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

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1 MTQFEGFTNL YQVSKTLRFE LIPQGKTLKH IQEQQFIED KARNDHYKEL KPIIDRIYKT
61 YADQCLQLVQ LDWENLSAAI DSYRKETEE TRNALIEEQA TYRNAIHDF IGRTDNLTDA
121 INKRHAEIYK GLFKAELFNG KVLKQLGTVT TTEHENALLR SFDKFTTYFS GFYENRKNVF
181 SAEDISTAIP HRIVQDNFPK FKENCHIFTR LITAVPSLRE HFENVKKAIG IFVSTSIEEV
241 FSFPFYNQLL TQTQIDLYNQ LLGGISREAG TEKIKGLNEV LNLAIQKNDT TAHIIASLPH
301 RFIPLFKQIL SDRNTLSFIL EEFKSDEEVI QSFCKYKTLRN ENVLETAE ALFNELNSID
361 LTHIFISHKK LETISSALCD HWDTLRNALY ERRISELTGK ITKSAKEKVQ RSLKHEDINL
421 QEIIASAAGKE LSEAFQKQTS EILSHAHAAL DQPLPTTLKK QEEKEILKSQ LDSLLGLYHL
481 LDWFAVDES NEDPEFSARL TGIKLEMEPS LSFYNKARNY ATKKPYSVEK FKLNFQMPTL
541 ASGWDVNKEK NNGAILFVKN GLYYLGIMPK QKGRYKALSF EPTEKTSEGK DKMYYDYFPD
601 AAKMIPKCST QLKAVTAHFQ THTTPILLSN NFIEPLEITK EIYDLNNPEK EPKKFQTAYA
661 KKTGDQKGYR EALCKWIDFT RDFLSKYTKT TSIDLSSLRP SSQYKDLGEY YAELNPLLYH
721 ISFQRIA EKE IMDAVETGKL YLFQIYKDF AKGHHGKPNL HTLYWTGLFS PENLAKTSIK
781 LNGQAELFYR PKSRMKRMAH RLGEKMLNKK LKDQKTPIPD TLYQELYDYV NHRLSHDSLSD
841 EARALLPNVI TKEVSHEIIK DRRFTSDKFF FHVPITLYNQ AANSPSKFNQ RVNAYLKEHP
901 ETPIIIGIDRG ERNLIYITVI DSTGKILEQR SLNTIQQFDY QKKLDNREKE RVAARQAWSV
961 VGTIKDLKQG YLSQVIHEIV DLMIHQAVV VLENLNFGFK SKRTGIAEKA VYQQFEKMLI
1021 DKLNCVLKD YPAEKVGGVL NPYQLTDQFT SFAKMGQTQSG FLFYVPAPYT SKIDPLTGFV
1081 DPFWWKTICK HESRKHFLEG FDFLHYDVKT GDFILHFKMN RNLSFQRGLP GFMPAWDIVF
1141 EKNETQFDAK GTPFIAGKRI VPVIENHRFT GRYRDLYPAN ELIALLEEKG IVFRDGSNIL
1201 PKLLENDSSH AIDTMVALIR SVLQMRNSNA ATGEDYINSP VRDLNGVCFD SRFQNPEWPM
1261 DADANGAYHI ALKGQLLLH LKESKDLKLQ NGISNQDWLA YIQELRN (SEQ ID NO:
174).

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**[0132]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein comprises a sequence isolated or derived from a CRISPR Cas protein. In some embodiments, the CRISPR Cas protein comprises a Type VI CRISPR Cas protein or portion thereof. In some embodiments, the Type VI CRISPR Cas protein comprises a Cas13 protein or portion thereof. Exemplary Cas13 proteins of the disclosure may be isolated or derived from any species, including, but not limited to, a bacteria or an archaea. Exemplary Cas13 proteins of the disclosure may be isolated or derived from any species, including, but not limited to, *Leptotrichia wadei*, *Listeria seeligeri* serovar 1/2b (strain ATCC 35967 / DSM 20751 / CIP 100100 / SLCC 3954), *Lachnospiraceae* bacterium, *Clostridium aminophilum* DSM 10710, *Carnobacterium gallinarum* DSM 4847, *Paludibacter propionicigenes* WB4, *Listeria weihenstephanensis* FSL R9-0317, *Listeria weihenstephanensis* FSL R9-0317, bacterium FSL M6-0635 (*Listeria newyorkensis*), *Leptotrichia wadei* F0279, *Rhodobacter capsulatus* SB 1003, *Rhodobacter capsulatus* R121, *Rhodobacter capsulatus* DE442 and *Corynebacterium ulcerans*. Exemplary Cas13 proteins of the disclosure may be DNA nuclease inactivated. Exemplary Cas13 proteins of the disclosure include, but are not limited to, Cas13a, Cas13b, Cas13c, Cas13d

and orthologs thereof. Exemplary Cas13b proteins of the disclosure include, but are not limited to, subtypes 1 and 2 referred to herein as Csx27 and Csx28, respectively.

**[0133]** Exemplary Cas13a proteins include, but are not limited to:

Cas13a number	Cas13a abbreviation	Organism name	Accession number	Direct Repeat sequence
Cas13a1	LshCas13a	Leptotrichia shahii	WP_018451595.1	CCACCCCAATATCGAAGGGGACTAA AAC (SEQ ID NO: 175)
Cas13a2	LwaCas13a	Leptotrichia wadei	WP_021746774.1	GATTAGACTACCCAAAAACGAAG GGGACTAAAAC (SEQ ID NO: 176)
Cas13a3	LseCas13a	Listeria seeligeri	WP_012985477.1	GTAAGAGACTACCTCTATATGAAAG AGGACTAAAAC (SEQ ID NO: 177)
Cas13a4	LbmCas13a	Lachnospiraceae bacterium MA2020	WP_044921188.1	GTATTGAGAAAAGCCAGATATAGTT GGCAATAGAC (SEQ ID NO: 178)
Cas13a5	LbnCas13a	Lachnospiraceae bacterium NK4A179	WP_022785443.1	GTTGATGAGAAGAGGCCAAGATAG AGGGCAATAAC (SEQ ID NO: 179)
Cas13a6	CamCas13a	[Clostridium] aminophilum DSM 10710	WP_031473346.1	GTCTATTGCCCTCTATATCGGGCTGT TCTCCAAAC (SEQ ID NO: 180)
Cas13a7	CgaCas13a	Carnobacterium gallinarum DSM 4847	WP_034560163.1	ATTAAGACTACCTCTAAATGTAAG AGGACTATAAC (SEQ ID NO: 181)
Cas13a8	Cga2Cas13a	Carnobacterium gallinarum DSM 4847	WP_034563842.1	AATATAAACTACCTCTAAATGTAAG AGGACTATAAC (SEQ ID NO: 182)
Cas13a9	Pprcas13a	Paludibacter propionicigenes WB4	WP_013443710.1	CTTGTGGATTATCCCAAAATTGAAG GGAACCTACAAC (SEQ ID NO: 183)
Cas13a10	LweCas13a	Listeria weihenstephanensis FSL R9-0317	WP_036059185.1	GATTAGAGTACCTCAAAATAGAAG AGGTCTAAAAC (SEQ ID NO: 184)
Cas13a11	LbfCas13a	Listeriaceae bacterium FSL M6-0635 (Listeria newyorkensis)	WP_036091002.1	GATTAGAGTACCTCAAAACAAAAG AGGACTAAAAC (SEQ ID NO: 185)

Cas13a12	Lwa2cas13a	Leptotrichia wadei F0279	WP_021746774.1	GATATAGATAACCCCAAAACGAA GGGATCTAAAAC (SEQ ID NO: 186)
Cas13a13	RcsCas13a	Rhodobacter capsulatus SB 1003	WP_013067728.1	GCCTCACATCACCGCCAAGACGACG CGGGACTGAAC (SEQ ID NO: 187)
Cas13a14	RcrCas13a	Rhodobacter capsulatus R121	WP_023911507.1	GCCTCACATCACCGCCAAGACGACG CGGGACTGAAC (SEQ ID NO: 188)
Cas13a15	RcdCas13a	Rhodobacter capsulatus DE442	WP_023911507.1	GCCTCACATCACCGCCAAGACGACG CGGGACTGAAC (SEQ ID NO: 189)

**[0134]** Exemplary wild type Cas13a proteins of the disclosure may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

1 MGNLFGHKRW YEV RD KKDFK IKRKV KV KRN YDG N KYI LNI NENN NKE KID NNKFIR KYIN  
 61 YKKNDN ILKE FTRKF HAGNI LFKLKGKEGI IRIEN NDDFL ETEEV VLYIE AYGKSEKLKA  
 121 LGITKKKI ID EAIRQ GITKD DKKIEIKRQE NEEEIEIDIR DEYTNKTLND CSIILRIEN  
 181 DELET KKS IY EIFKN INMSL YKII EKII EN ETEKV FEN RY YEEHLREKLL KDDKIDVILT  
 241 NFMEIREKIK SNLEILGFVK FYLN VGGD KK KS KNK KML VE KILN INV DLT VEDIAD FVIK  
 301 ELEFWN ITKR IE KV KK VVN NE FLEK RRN RTY IKS YV LL DKH EKF KIER ENK KDKIV KF FVE  
 361 NIKNN SIKEK IE KILA EFKI DELIK KLE KE LKK GN CDT EI FGIF KK HY KV NFDSKK FSKK  
 421 SDEEKELYKI IY RYL KGRIE KILV NEQ KV R LKK MEKIE IE KILNE SILE KILK RV QY T  
 481 LEHIM YLGKL RHNDIDM TTV NTDD F SRL HA KEEL DLE LIT FFAST NMEL N KIFS REN INN  
 541 DENIDFFGGD REK NYV LD KK I LNS KIKI IR DL DFID DN KNN ITNN FIRK FT KIGT NERN RI  
 601 LHAISKERDL QGT QDDY NKV INIT QNL KIS DEEV SKAL NL DVVF KDKK NI IT KIN DIK IS  
 661 EENNNDI KYL PSFS KV LPEI LN LYR NN PKN EPFD TIET EK IV LN ALI YVN KELY KKL LIE  
 721 DDLEEN ESKN IFLQ ELK KT L GN IDE IDEN I IEN YY KNA QI SASK GNN KAI KKY QKK VIE C  
 781 YIG YL RKN YE ELF DF SDF KM NI QEI KK QIK DIND NKT YER IT VKT SDK T I VIN DDF EY II  
 841 S IF ALL NSNA VINK I RNR FF AT SVW LNT SE YQ NI ID I LDE IM QL NTL RNE CITEN WNL NL  
 901 EEF I QKM KEI EKDF DDF KIQ TKKE I FN YY EDIK NN ILTE FK DDI NGC DV LEK KLE KIV I  
 961 FDDET KFEID KKS NI LQ DEQ RK LS NINK KD LKK VD QY IK DKD QEI KSKI LCRI IF NS DF  
 1021 LKK YK KKE IDN LIED M ESE NE NKF QEI YY PK ERK NEL YI YK KN LF LN IGP NFD KI YGL IS  
 1081 NDI KMA DAK F LF NI DG KNI R KN KISE I DAI LKN LND KLG YSKEY KE KY I KKL KEND DFF  
 1141 AKNI QNK NYK SFE KDY NR VS EY K KIR DL VE FNY LN KIES Y LID INW KL AI QMAR FER DMH  
 1201 YIV NGL REL G II KLS GY NTG I SRAY PKR NG SDG FYTT TAY YK FF DEE SYK KFE KIC YGF G  
 1261 IDL SENSE IN KPEN ESIR NY I SHF YI VR NP FAD YSIA EQI DRV SNL L SYS TRY NN STY AS  
 1321 VFE VF KK DV N LDY DEL KKK F KL IGN ND ILE RLM KPK KV SV LELES YNS DY IKN LII ELL T  
 1381 KIENT NDT L (SEQ ID NO: 190).

**[0135]** Exemplary Cas13b proteins include, but are not limited to:

Species	Cas13b Accession	Cas13b Size (aa)
Paludibacter propionicigenes WB4	WP_013446107.1	1155
Prevotella sp. P5-60	WP_044074780.1	1091
Prevotella sp. P4-76	WP_044072147.1	1091
Prevotella sp. P5-125	WP_044065294.1	1091
Prevotella sp. P5-119	WP_042518169.1	1091
Capnocytophaga canimorsus Cc5	WP_013997271.1	1200
Phaeodactylibacter xiamensis	WP_044218239.1	1132

<i>Porphyromonas gingivalis</i> W83	WP 005873511.1	1136
<i>Porphyromonas gingivalis</i> F0570	WP 021665475.1	1136
<i>Porphyromonas gingivalis</i> ATCC 33277	WP 012458151.1	1136
<i>Porphyromonas gingivalis</i> F0185	ERJ81987.1	1136
<i>Porphyromonas gingivalis</i> F0185	WP 021677657.1	1136
<i>Porphyromonas gingivalis</i> SJD2	WP 023846767.1	1136
<i>Porphyromonas gingivalis</i> F0568	ERJ65637.1	1136
<i>Porphyromonas gingivalis</i> W4087	ERJ87335.1	1136
<i>Porphyromonas gingivalis</i> W4087	WP 021680012.1	1136
<i>Porphyromonas gingivalis</i> F0568	WP 021663197.1	1136
<i>Porphyromonas gingivalis</i>	WP 061156637.1	1136
<i>Porphyromonas gulae</i>	WP 039445055.1	1136
<i>Bacteroides pyogenes</i> F0041	ERI81700.1	1116
<i>Bacteroides pyogenes</i> JCM 10003	WP 034542281.1	1116
<i>Alistipes</i> sp. ZOR0009	WP 047447901.1	954
<i>Flavobacterium branchiophilum</i> FL-15	WP 014084666.1	1151
<i>Prevotella</i> sp. MA2016	WP 036929175.1	1323
<i>Myroides odoratimimus</i> CCUG 10230	EHO06562.1	1160
<i>Myroides odoratimimus</i> CCUG 3837	EKB06014.1	1158
<i>Myroides odoratimimus</i> CCUG 3837	WP 006265509.1	1158
<i>Myroides odoratimimus</i> CCUG 12901	WP 006261414.1	1158
<i>Myroides odoratimimus</i> CCUG 12901	EHO08761.1	1158
<i>Myroides odoratimimus</i> (NZ CP013690.1)	WP 058700060.1	1160
<i>Bergeyella zoohelcum</i> ATCC 43767	EKB54193.1	1225
<i>Capnocytophaga cynodegmi</i>	WP 041989581.1	1219
<i>Bergeyella zoohelcum</i> ATCC 43767	WP 002664492.1	1225
<i>Flavobacterium</i> sp. 316	WP 045968377.1	1156
<i>Psychroflexus torquis</i> ATCC 700755	WP 015024765.1	1146
<i>Flavobacterium columnare</i> ATCC 49512	WP 014165541.1	1180
<i>Flavobacterium columnare</i>	WP 060381855.1	1214
<i>Flavobacterium columnare</i>	WP 063744070.1	1214
<i>Flavobacterium columnare</i>	WP 065213424.1	1215
<i>Chryseobacterium</i> sp. YR477	WP 047431796.1	1146
<i>Riemerella anatipestifer</i> ATCC 11845 = DSM 15868	WP_004919755.1	1096
<i>Riemerella anatipestifer</i> RA-CH-2	WP 015345620.1	949
<i>Riemerella anatipestifer</i>	WP 049354263.1	949
<i>Riemerella anatipestifer</i>	WP 061710138.1	951
<i>Riemerella anatipestifer</i>	WP 064970887.1	1096
<i>Prevotella saccharolytica</i> F0055	EKY00089.1	1151
<i>Prevotella saccharolytica</i> JCM 17484	WP 051522484.1	1152
<i>Prevotella buccae</i> ATCC 33574	EFU31981.1	1128
<i>Prevotella buccae</i> ATCC 33574	WP 004343973.1	1128
<i>Prevotella buccae</i> D17	WP 004343581.1	1128
<i>Prevotella</i> sp. MSX73	WP 007412163.1	1128
<i>Prevotella pallens</i> ATCC 700821	EGQ18444.1	1126
<i>Prevotella pallens</i> ATCC 700821	WP 006044833.1	1126

Prevotella intermedia ATCC 25611 = DSM 20706	WP 036860899.1	1127
Prevotella intermedia	WP 061868553.1	1121
Prevotella intermedia 17	AFJ07523.1	1135
Prevotella intermedia	WP 050955369.1	1133
Prevotella intermedia	BAU18623.1	1134
Prevotella intermedia ZT	KJJ86756.1	1126
Prevotella aurantiaca JCM 15754	WP 025000926.1	1125
Prevotella pleuritidis F0068	WP 021584635.1	1140
Prevotella pleuritidis JCM 14110	WP 036931485.1	1117
Prevotella falsenii DSM 22864 = JCM 15124	WP 036884929.1	1134
Porphyromonas gulae	WP 039418912.1	1176
Porphyromonas sp. COT-052 OH4946	WP 039428968.1	1176
Porphyromonas gulae	WP 039442171.1	1175
Porphyromonas gulae	WP 039431778.1	1176
Porphyromonas gulae	WP 046201018.1	1176
Porphyromonas gulae	WP 039434803.1	1176
Porphyromonas gulae	WP 039419792.1	1120
Porphyromonas gulae	WP 039426176.1	1120
Porphyromonas gulae	WP 039437199.1	1120
Porphyromonas gingivalis TDC60	WP 013816155.1	1120
Porphyromonas gingivalis ATCC 33277	WP 012458414.1	1120
Porphyromonas gingivalis A7A1-28	WP 058019250.1	1176
Porphyromonas gingivalis JCVI SC001	EOA10535.1	1176
Porphyromonas gingivalis W50	WP 005874195.1	1176
Porphyromonas gingivalis	WP 052912312.1	1176
Porphyromonas gingivalis AJW4	WP 053444417.1	1120
Porphyromonas gingivalis	WP 039417390.1	1120
Porphyromonas gingivalis	WP 061156470.1	1120

[0136] Exemplary wild type *Bergeyella zoohelcum* ATCC 43767 Cas13b (BzCas13b) proteins of the disclosure may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

1 menktsgnn iyynpfkpqd ksyfagyfna amentdsvfr elgkrlkgke ytsenfffdai  
 61 fkenislvey eryvkllsdy fpmarlldkk evpikerken fkknfkgiik avrdlrfnyt  
 121 hkehgeveit deifgvldem lkstvltvkk kkvktdktkte ilkksiekql dilcqkkley  
 181 lrldtarkiee krrnqrerge kelvapkys dkrddliaai yndafdvyyid kkkds1kess  
 241 kakynhtksdp qqeegdlkip iskngvvfl1 slfltkqei afkskiagfk atvideatvs  
 301 eatvshgkns icfmatheif shlaykkkr kvrtaeinyg eaenaeqlsv yaketlmmqm  
 361 ldelskvpdv vyqnlsedvq ktfiedwney lkenngdvgt meeeqvihpv irkryedkfn  
 421 yfairfldef aqfpptlrfqv hlgnylhdsr pkenlisdr ikekivfgr lselehkval  
 481 fikntetned rehyweifpn pnydfpkeni svndkdfpia gsildrekqp vagkigikvk  
 541 llnqqyvsev dkavkahqlk qrkaskpsiq niieeivpin esnpkeavf ggqptaylsm  
 601 ndihsilyef fdkwekkkek lekkgekelr keigkelekk ivgkqiqaqiq qiidktnak  
 661 ilkpyqdqns taidkeklik dlkqeqnilq klkdeqtvre keyndfiayq dknreinkvr  
 721 drnhkqylkd nlkrkypeap arkevlyyre kgkvawlan dikrfmptdf knewdgeqhs  
 781 llqkslayye qckeeklnl pekvfqhlpf klggfqqqky lyqfytcyl krleyisglv  
 841 qqaenfkns kvfkkvenec fkflkkqnyt hkeldarvqs ilgypifler gfmdekptii  
 901 kgktfkgn ea lfadwfryyk eyqnfqtfyd tenyplvle kkqadrkrkt kiyqqkkndv  
 961 ftllmakhif ksvfkqdsid qfsledlyqs reerlgnqer arqtgerntn yiwnktvdlk

1021 lcdgkitven vklknvgdfi kyeydqrqqa flkyeeniew qafikeske eenypyvver  
 1081 eieqyekvrr eellkevhli eeyilekvkd keilkkgdnq nfkyyilngl lkqlknedve  
 1141 sykvnlnle pedvninglk qeatdleqka fvltyirnkf ahnqlpkkef wdycqekygk  
 1201 ektyaey faevfkkeke alik (SEQ ID NO: 191).

**[0137]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein comprises a sequence isolated or derived from a CasRX/Cas13d protein. CasRX/Cas13d is an effector of the type VI-D CRISPR-Cas systems. In some embodiments, the CasRX/Cas13d protein is an RNA-guided RNA endonuclease enzyme that can cut or bind RNA. In some embodiments, the CasRX/Cas13d protein can include one or more higher eukaryotes and prokaryotes nucleotide-binding (HEPN) domains. In some embodiments, the CasRX/Cas13d protein can include either a wild-type or mutated HEPN domain. In some embodiments, the CasRX/Cas13d protein includes a mutated HEPN domain that cannot cut RNA but can process guide RNA. In some embodiments, the CasRX/Cas13d protein does not require a protospacer flanking sequence. Also see WO Publication No. WO2019/040664 & US2019/0062724, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety, for further examples and sequences of CasRX/Cas13d protein, without limitation, specific reference is made to

**[0138]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Gut\_metagenome\_contig6049000251:

LYLTSFGKGN AAVIEQKIEP ENGYRVTGMQ ITPSITVNKA TDESVRFRVK RKIAQKDEFI	60
ADNPMEGRH RIEPSAGSDM LGLKTKEKY YFGKEFDDNL HIQIIYNNILD IEKILAVYST	120
NITA	124

(SEQ ID NO: 54).

**[0139]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Gut\_metagenome\_contig546000275:

MDSYRPKLYK LIDFCIFKHY HEYTEISEKN VDTLRAAVSE EQKESFYADE AKRLWGIFDK	60
QFLGFCKKIN VVWNGSHEKE ILGYIDKDAY RKKSDVSYFS KFLYAMSFFL DGKEINDLLT	120
TLINKFDNIA SFISTAKELD AEIDRILEKK LDPTVGKPLK GKNNSFRNFIA NNVIEENKRFI	180
YVIKFCNPKN VLKLVKNTKV TEFVLKRMPE SQIDRYYSSC IDTEKNPSVD KKISDLAEMI	240
KKIAFDDFRN VRQKTRTRREE SLEKERFKAV IGLYLTVVYL LIKNLNVNNS RYVMAFHCLE	300
RDAKLYGINI GKNYIELTED LCRENENSRS AYLARNKRLR DCVKQNIDNA KNMKSKEK	358

(SEQ ID NO: 57).

**[0140]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Gut\_metagenome\_contig4114000374:

DTKINPQTWL YQLENTPDLD NEYRDTLDHF FDERFNEINE HFVTQNATNL CIMKEVFPDE	60
DFKSIADLYY DFIVVKSYKN IGFSIKKLRE KMELPEAKR VTSTEMDSVR SKLYKLIDFC	120

IFKHYHEKPE TVEMIVSMLR AYTSEDMKE

149

(SEQ ID NO: 61).

**[0141]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Gut\_metagenome\_contig721000619:

KEGSTMAKNE KKKSTAKALG LKSSFVVNNND IYMTSGKGN KAVLEKKITE NTIENKSDTT	60
YFDVINRDPK GFTLEGRRIA DMTAFSNDPK YHVNVVNGKF LEDQLGARSE LEKKVFGRTF	120
DDNVHIIQLIH NILDIEKIMA QYVSDIVYLL HNTIKRDMND DIMGYISIRN SFDDFCHPER	180
IPDRKAKDNL QKQHDIFFDE ILKCGRLAYF GNAFFEDGSD NKEIAKLKRY KEIYHIIALM	240
GSLRQSYFHG ENSDKNFQGP TWAYTLESNL TGKYKEFKDT LDKTFDERYE MISKDFGSTN	300
MVNLOQILEEL LKMLYGNVSP	320

(SEQ ID NO: 67).

**[0142]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Gut\_metagenome\_contig2002000411:

EKQNKAQYQA IISLYLMVMY QIVKNMIYVN SRYVIAFHCL ERDSNQLLGR FNSRDASMYN	60
KLTQKFITDK YLNDAQGCS KKVGNYLSHN ITCCSDELRK EYRNQVDHFA VVRMIGKYAA	120
DIGKFSTWFE LYHYVMQRRII FDKRNPSET ERTYKQLIAK HHTYCKDLVK ALNTPFGYNL	180
ARYKNLSIGE LFDRNNYNNAK TKET	204

(SEQ ID NO: 69).

**[0143]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Gut\_metagenome\_contig13552000311:

LIDFLIYDLY YNRKPARIEE IVDKLRESVN DEEKESIYSA ETKYVYEALG KVLVRSLLKY	60
LNGATIRDLK NRYDAKTANR IWDISEHSKS GHVNCFCCLI YMMTLMQDGK EINDLLTTLV	120
NKFDNIASIFI DVMDELGLEH SFTDNYKMFA DSKAICLDLQ FINSFARMMSK IDDEKSKRQL	180
FRDALVVLDI GDKNEDWIEK YLTSDFIKRD ENGNKIDGEK RDFRNFIANN VIKSARFKYL	240
VKYSSADGMI KLKKNEKLIS FVLEQLPETQ IDRYYESCGL DCAVADRKV R IEKLTGLIRD	300
MRFDNFRGVN YSNACKDK QAKAQYQAI SLYLMVLYQI VKNMIYVNSR YVIAFHCLER	360
DLLFFNIELD NSYQYSNCNE LTEKFIFDKY MKEGALGFNM KAGRYLTKNI GNCSNELRKI	420
YRNQVDHFAV VRKIGNYAAD IASVGSWFE	449

(SEQ ID NO: 71).

**[0144]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Gut\_metagenome\_contig10037000527:

YMDQNFANSW AWAIHVYRNK IQHLDRAVRHA DMYIGDIREF HSWFELYHYI IQRRIIDQYA	60
YESTPGSSRD GSAIIDEERL NPATRRYFRL ITTYKT	96

(SEQ ID NO: 72).

**[0145]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Gut\_metagenome\_contig238000329:

RYDKDRSKIY TMMDFVIYRY YIDNNNDSID FINKLRSSID EKSKEKLYNE EANRLWNKLK	60
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EYMLYIKEFN GKLASRTPDR DGNISEFVES LPKIHRLLPR GQKISNFSKL MYLLTMFLDG	120
KEINDLLTTL INKFENIQGF LDIMPEINVN AKFEPEYVFF NKSHEIAGEL KLIKGFAQMG	180
EPAATLKLEM TADAIIKILGT EKEDAELEIKL AESLFKDENG KLLGNQHGM RNFIGNNVIK	240
SKRFHYLIRY GDPAHLHKIA TNKNVVRFVL GRIADMQKKQ GQKGKQIDR YYEVCGVND	300
IKKTIEEKID ALTDIIVNMN YDQEKKAV IENQNRGKTF EEKNKYKRDN AEREFKKII	360
SLYLTVIYHI LKNIVNVNSR YILGFHCLER DKQLYIEKYN KDKLDGFVAL TKFCLGDEER	420
YEDLKAKAQAS IQALETANP KLYAKYMNS DEEKKEEFKK QLNRRERVKNA RNAYLKNIKN	480
YIMIRLQLRD QTDSSGYLCG EFRDKVAHLE VARHAHEYI	519

(SEQ ID NO: 73).

**[0146]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Gut\_metagenome\_contig2643000492:

NGEIVSLAEK EAFAKIAKD NIGCKIENQ FRHPKGYDVI ADNPIYKGSP RQDMLGLKET	60
LEKRYFSPSD SIDNVRVQVA HNILDIEKIL AEYITNAVYS FDNIAGFGKD IIGDDFSPVY	120
TYDKFEKSDR YEYFKNLLNN SRLGYYGQAF FECDDSKENK KKKDAIKCYN IIALLSGLRH	180
W	181

(SEQ ID NO: 84).

**[0147]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Gut\_metagenome\_contig874000057:

MSKNKESYAK GMGLKSALVS GSKVYMTSFE GGNDAKLEKV VENSEIVSLA EKESFSAEIF	60
KKNIGCKIEN KKFHKPKRYD VIADNPLYKG SVRQDMGLK ETLEKRYFNS ADGTDNVCIQ	120
VIHNILDIEK ILAEYITNAV YSFNDNIAGFG EDIIGMGGFK PIYTYKQFKE PDKYNKKFDD	180
ILNNNSRLGYY GKAFFEKNDL KHNPNKKRD KNPYILKYDN ECYYIALLS GLRHWNHSH	240
AKDDLVSYRW LYNLDLSILNR EYISTILNYLY DDIADELTES FSKNSSANVN YIAETLNIDP	300
SEFAQQYFRF SIMKEQKNMG FNVSKLREIM LDRKELSDIR DNHRVFDSIR SKLYTMMDFV	360
IYRYYIEAAA KTEAENRNLP ENEKKISEKD FFVINLRGSF DENQKEKLYI EEAKRLWEKL	420
KDIMLKIKEF RGEKVKEYKK	440

(SEQ ID NO: 85).

**[0148]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Gut\_metagenome\_contig4781000489:

LDKQLDYEYI RTLNYMFNDI ADELTRTFSK NSAANVNYIA ETLNIDPNKF AEQYFRFSIM	60
KEQKNLGFLN TKLRESMLDR RELSDIRDNH NVFDSIRPKL YTMMDFVIYK HYIDEAKKTE	120
AENKSLPDDR KNLSEKD	137

(SEQ ID NO: 86).

**[0149]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Gut\_metagenome\_contig12144000352:

RMGEPVANTK RVMMIDAVKI LGTDLSDDEL KEMADSFFKD SDGNLLKKGK HGMRNFITNN	60
VIKKNKRFHYL IRYGDP AHLH EIAKNEA	87

(SEQ ID NO: 87).

**[0150]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Gut\_metagenome\_contig5590000448:

VHNNEEKDLI KYTWLYNLDK YLDAEYITTL NYMYNDIGDE LTDSEFSKNSA ANINYIAETL	60
GIDPKTFAEQ YFRFSIMKEQ KNLGFNLTKL REVMLDRKDM SEIRENHNDF DSIRAKVYTM	120
MDFVIYRYYYI EEAAKVNAAN KSLPDNEKSL SEKDIFVISL RGSFNEQKD RLYYDEAQRL	180
WSKVGKLMK IKKFRGKDTR KYKNMGTGPRI RRLIPEGRDI STFSKLMYAL TMFLDGKEIN	240
DLLTTLINKF DNIQSFLKVM PLIGVNAKFA EEYSFFNNSE KIADELRLIK SFARMGEPVA	300
DARRAMYIDA IRILGTDLSD DELKALADSF SLDENGNKLG KGKHGMRFI INNVITNKRF	360
HYLIRYGNPV HLHEIAKNEA VVKFVLGRIA DIQKKQGQNG KNQIDRYYYET CIGK	414

(SEQ ID NO: 88).

**[0151]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Gut\_metagenome\_contig525000349:

MSKKENRKSY VKGLGLKSTL VSDSKVYLTT FADGSNAKLE KCVENNKIIC ISNDKEAFAA	60
SIANKNVGYK IKNDEKFRHP KGYDIISNNP LLHNNNSVQOD MLGLKNVLEK RYFGKSSGGD	120
NNLCIQIIHN IIDIEKILSE YIPNVVYAFN NIAGFKDEHN NIIDIIGTQT YNSSYYTYADF	180
SKDKSDKKYI EFQKLLKNKR LGYWGKAFFT GQGNNNAKVRQ ENQCFHIAL LISLRNWATH	240
SNELDKHTKR TWLYKLDLDTN ILNAEYVKTLYNYDTIADE LTKSEFSKNGA VNVNYLAKKY	300
NIKDDLPGFS EQYFRFSIMK EQKNLGFNIS KLRENMLDFK DMSVI	345

(SEQ ID NO: 89).

**[0152]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Gut\_metagenome\_contig7229000302:

KKISSLTKFC LGESDEKKLK ALAKKSLEEL KTTNSKLYEN YIKYSDERKA EEAKRQINRE	60
RAKTAMNAHL RNTKWNDIMY GQLKDLADSK SRICSEFRNK AAHLEVARYA HMYINDISEV	120
KSYFRLYHYI MQRRIIDVIE NNPKAKYEGK VKVYFEDVKK NKKYNKNLLK LMCVPFGYCI	180
PRFKNLSIEQ MFDMNETDNS DKKKEK	206

(SEQ ID NO: 90).

**[0153]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Gut\_metagenome\_contig3227000343:

IGDISEVNSY FQLYHYIMQR ILIDKIGSKT TGKAKEYFDS VIVNKKYDDR LLKLLCSPLG	60
YCLTRYKDLS IEALFDNMNEA AKYDKLNKER KNKKK	95

(SEQ ID NO: 91).

**[0154]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Gut\_metagenome\_contig7030000469:

SIRSKLYTMM DFVIYRYYYIE ESAKAAAENK PSESDFVIR LRGSFNENQK EELYIEEAER	60
LWKKFGEIML KIKEFRGEKV KEYKKEVPRI ERILPHGKDI SAFSKLMYML SMFLD	115

(SEQ ID NO: 92).

**[0155]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d gut\_metagenome\_P17E0k2120140920, c87000043:

MYFSKMIYML TYFLDGKEIN DLLTTLISKF DNIKEFLKIM KSSAVDVECE LTAGYKLFND	60
SQRITNELFI VKNIASMRKP AASAKILTMFR DALTILGIDD KITDDRSEI LKLKEKGKGI	120
HGLRNFINN VIESSRFVYL IKYANAQKIR EVAKNEKVVM FVLGGIPDTQ IERYYYKSCVE	180
FPDMNSSLEA KRSELARMIK NISFDDFKNV KQQAKGRENV AKERAKAVIG LYLT	234

(SEQ ID NO: 93).

**[0156]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Metagenomic hit (no protein accession): contig emb|OBVH01003037.1, human gut metagenome sequence (also found in WGS contigs emb|OBXZ01000094.1| and emb|OBJF01000033.1|):

MAKKKRITAK ERKQNHRELL MKKADSNAEK EKAKKPVVEN KPDATAISKDN TPKNKEIKK	60
SKAKLAGVKW VIKANDDVAY ISSFGKGNNS VLEKRIMGDV SSNVNKDSHM YVNPKYTKNN	120
YEIKNGFSSG SSLVTYPNKP DKNSGMDALC LKPYFEKDFF GHIFTDNMHI QAIYNIFDIE	180
KILAKHITNI IYTVNSFDRN YNQSGNDTIG FGLNYRVPYS EYGGGKDSNG EPKNQSKWEK	240
RDNFIKFYNE SKPHLGYYEN IFYDHGEPI EEKFYNYLNI LNFIRNNTFH YKDDDIELYS	300
ENYSEEFVFI NCLNKFVKNK FKVNKNFIS NEKNNLYIIL NAYGKDTENV EVVKKYSKEL	360
YKLSVLKTNK NLGVNVKKLR ESAIEGYCP LPYDKEKEVA KLSSVKHKLY KTYDFVITHY	420
LNSNDKLLLE IVETLRLSKN DDEKENVYKK YAEKLFKADD VINPIKAISK LFARKGNKLF	480
KEKIIKKEY IEDVSIDKNI YDFTKVIFFM TCFLDGKEIN DLLTNIISKL QVIEDHNNVI	540
KFISNNKDAV YKDYSDKYAI FRNAGKIATE LEAIKSIARM ENKIEAPQE PLLKDALLSL	600
GVSDDTKVLE NTYNKYFDISK EKTDKQSQKV STFLMNNVIN NNRFKYVIKY INPADINGLA	660
KNRYLVKFVL SKIPEEQIDS YYKLFSNEEE PGCEEKIKLL TKKISKLNFO TLFENNKP	720
VEKEKKKAI TLYFTIVYIL VKNLVNINGL YTLALYFVER DGYFYKDICG KKDKKKSYND	780
VDYLLLPEIF SGSKYREETK NLKLPKEKDR DIMKKYLPND KDREKYNKFF TAYRNNIVHL	840
NIIAKLSELT KNIDKDINSY FDIYHYCTQR VMFNYCKEKN DVVLAKMKDL AHIKSDCNEF	900
SSKHTYPFSS AVLRFMNLPF AYNVPRFKNL SYKKFFDKQ	939

(SEQ ID NO: 94).

**[0157]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Metagenomic hit (no protein accession): contig tpg|DJXD01000002.1| (uncultivated Ruminococcus assembly, UBA7013, from sheep gut metagenome):

MKKQKSKKTV SKTSGLKEAL SVQGTIVIMTS FGKGNMANLS YKIPSSQKPO NLNSSAGLKN	60
VEVSGKKIKF QGRHPKIAATT DNPLFKPQPG MDLLCLKDKL EMHYFGKTFD DNIHQQLIYQ	120
ILDIEKILAV HVNNIVFTLD NVLHPQKEEL TEDFIGAGGW RINLDYQTLR GQTNKYDRFK	180
NYIKRKELLY FGEAFYHENE RRYEEDIFAI LTLLSALRQF CFHSDLSSDE SDHVNSFWLY	240
QLEDQLSDEF KETLSILWEE VTERIDSEFL KTNTVNLHIL CHVFPKESKE TIVRAYYEFL	300
IKKSFKNMGF SIKKLREIML EQSDLKSFKE DKYNSVRAKL YKLFDIITY YYDHHAFFEKE	360
ALVSSLRSSL TEENKEEIYI KTARTLASAL GADFKAAAD VNAKNIRDYQ KKANDYRISF	420

EDIKIGNTGI GYFSELIYML TLLLDGKEIN DLLTTLINKF DNIISFIDIL KKLNLLEFKFK	480
PEYADFFNMT NCRYTLEELR VINSIARMQK PSADARKIMY RDALRILGMD NRPDEEIDRE	540
LERTMPVGAD GKFIKGKQGF RNFIASNVIE SSRFHVLVRY NNPHKTRTLV KNPNVVKFVL	600
EGIPETQIKR YFDVCKGQEI PPTSDKSAQI DVLARISSV DYKIFEDVPQ SAKINKDDPS	660
RNFSDALKKQ RYQAIVSLYL TVMYLITKNL VYVNSRYVIA FHCLERDAFL HGVTLPKMNK	720
KIVYSQLTTH LLTDKNYTTY GHLKNQKGHR KWYVLVKNNL QNSDITAVSS FRNIVAHISV	780
VRNSNEYISG IGELEYSYFEL YHYLVQSMIA KNNWYDTSHQ PKTAEYLNLL KKHTYCKDF	840
VKAYCIPFGY VVPRYKNLTI NELFDRNNPN PEPKEEV	877

(SEQ ID NO: 95).

[0158] An exemplary direct repeat sequence of CasRX/Cas13d Metagenomic hit (no protein accession): contig tpg|DJXD01000002.1| (uncultivated Ruminococcus assembly, UBA7013, from sheep gut metagenome) (SEQ ID NO: 95) comprises or consists of the nucleic acid sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d DR:

caactacaac cccgtaaaaa tacggggttc tgaaac	36
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[0159] (SEQ ID NO: 96).

[0160] Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Metagenomic hit (no protein accession): contig OGZC01000639.1 (human gut metagenome assembly):

MKKKNIRATR EALKAQKIKK SQENEALKKQ KLAEEAAQKR REELEKKNLA QWEETS AEGR	60
RSRVKAVGVK SVFVVGDDLY LATFGNGNET VLEKKITPDG KITTFPEEET FTAKLKFAQT	120
EPTVATSIGI SNGRIVLPEI SVDNPLHTTM QKNTIKRSAG EDILQLKDVL ENRYFDRSFN	180
DDLHIRLIYN IL DIEKILAE YTTNAVFAID NVSGCSDDFL SNFSTRNQWD EFQNPEQHRE	240
HFGNKDNVIC SVKKQQDLFF NFFKNNRIGY FGKAFFHAES ERKIVKKTEK EVYHILTLIG	300
SLRQWITHST EGGISRLWLY QLEDALSREY QETMNNCYNS TIYGLQKDFE KTNAPNLNFL	360
AEILGKNA SE LAE PYFRFII TKEYKNLGFS IKTLREMLLD QPDLQEIREN HNVYDSIRSK	420
LYKMIDFVLV YAYSNERKSK ADALASNLR AITEDAKRI YQNEADQLWT SYQELFKRIR	480
GFKGAQVKEY SSKNMPIPIQ KQIQNILKPA EQVTYFTKLM YLLTMFLDGK EINDLTTLI	540
NKF DNISSSL KTMEQLELQT TFKEDYTFFQ QSSRLCKEIT QLKSFARMGN PISNLKEVMM	600
VDAIQILGTE KSEQUELQSMA CFFFDRDKNGK KLNTGEHGMR NFIGNNVISN TRFQYLIRYG	660
NPQKLHTLSQ NETVVRFVLS RIAKNQRVQG MNGKNQIDRY YETCGGTNSW SVSEEKINF	720
LCKILTNMSY DQFQDVKQSG AEITAEEKRK KERYKAIISL YLTVLYQLIK NLVNINARYI	780
IAFHCLERDA ILYSSKFNTS INLKKRYTAL TEMILGYETD EKARRKDTRT VYEKAEAAKN	840
RHLKNVKWNC KTRENLENAD KNAIVAFRNI VAHLWIIRDA DRFITGMGAM KRYFDCYHYL	900
LQRELGYILE KSNQGSEYTK KSLEKVQQYH SYCKDFLHML CLPFAYCIPR YKNLSIAELF	960
DRHEPEAEPK EEASSVNNSQ FITT	984

(SEQ ID NO: 97).

[0161] Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Metagenomic hit (no protein accession): contig emb|OHBMO1000764.1 (human gut metagenome assembly):

XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX	60
XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX	120
XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX	180
XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX XXHPLQKRYR YLTSTNLKSF	240
ETYKNNLVNK KKF DLD RVKK IPQ LAYFGSA FYNTPEDTSA KIT KTKI KSN EEI YYTFM LL	300
STAR NFS AHY LDR N RAK SSD AED FDG TSVI MYN LDNE ELY KKLY NKKV H ALT GMK KV LD	360
ANF NK KV EHL NNSFI KNS AK DF VIL CEVL G IK SRD EKT KF VKD YYDF VVR KNY KHL GF SV	420
KEL RE LL FAN HDS N KYI KEF DKIS NKK FD S VRS RL N RI AD YII YD YYN KN NAK VSDL LV KY	480
LRAA ADDE QK KKI YL NE SIN LV KSG I LERI KK IL PKL NGK II GN M QPD ST IT ASML HNT G	540
KDW HP ISE NA HYFT KWI YTL TLF MDG KEIN DL VTT L IN KF DNI ASF IE VL KS QSV CTH FS	600
EER KMF ID SA EIC SELS AMN SF ARME APGA SS KRAM F VEA ARI LGDN RSK E E LE EY FD TL	660
FD K SASK KEK GFR NFIR NNV VDS NRF KY LT RY TD TS SV KA FS NN KAL VKF AI KDI P QE QI	720
LRY YN SCF GA SER YYN DGMS DKL VEA IGKI NL MQF NGVI Q QADR NM LPEE KK KANA QKE K	780
YKS II RLY LT VC YL FF KNL V YV NSR YY SA F YN LE KDR SL F EING EL KPT G KF DEGH YT GL	840
VKL FID NG WI N P RAS AY LT V NL AN SDE TAI RT FR NT AE HL E AL RNAD KY L ND LQ F DS YF	900
EI YHY IT QRN I KE CEM LKE QT V KY NN DLL KY HG Y SKDF V KAL CV PFG YN L PRF KN LS ID	960
AL FD KND KRE KL KK G FED	978

(SEQ ID NO: 98).

[0162] Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Metagenomic hit (no protein accession): contig emb|OHCP01000044.1 (human gut metagenome assembly):

MAKK ITAK QK REEK ER LN KQ KWAK ND SVII VP ETKE EI KT GEI QD NN RKR SR QK SQAK AM	60
GLKA VL SF DN KIAI ASF VSS KNAK S SHIER IT DKE GTT IS VNS KMF ESS V NK RDIN IE KR	120
IT IEE P Q QDG TIK KEE KG VK STTC NP YF KV GG K DYI G I K IAE EH FF G RA FP NEN LR VQ I	180
A YN I FD VQ KI LG TF VNN I IY SF YN LS RDEV Q SD ND VIG ML Y SIS DY DR QK ET ET FL QAK S	240
LL KQ TE AYY A YF DD VF KK NK KP DK NKE GD N SK QY QEN LR H NF NI LR VLS F LR QI CM HA EV	300
HVS DDE GCTR T Q NY TDS LEA L FN IS KAF GK KM PEL KTL ID NI YSK GIN AI NDEF VKN GKN	360
NLY I LSK VYP NEK REV LL RE YY NF VV CKE G SNIG ISTR KL KET MIA QN MP SL KE EN TYRN	420
KLY TV MN FIL V REL KNC ATI RE QM I KEL RA NM DEE EG RDR IY SKY AKE IY LY VKD KL KLM	480
LNV FKE EA EG II IPG KED PV KFS HG KLD KK E IES FC LTT K NT ED IT KV IY FL CK FLD GKE	540
I NE LCC AM MN KLD G IS DLIE TAK QCG ED VE FVD QFK CL SK CAT MSN QIR I VKN IS RMK KE	600
M TI DND T IFL DALE LL GR KI EKY QDK NGD YVK D EKG KK V YTKD YNN FQ D MFF EG K NH RV	660
RNF VS NN VIK SKW FSY VV RY NKPA EC QAL M RNS KLV KF AL DEL PDS QIE K YY I SVF GE KS	720
SS SNE EMR RE LL KKLC DF SV RGFL D EIV LL SE DEM KQ KDK FSE KE KKK SL IRL YLT IV YL	780
I T KSM V KINT RFSI ACAT YE RDY ILL CQ SE KA ERA WE KG A TAF AL TRK FL NHD KPT FE QY	840
YTR RE RE IS AM PQE KR KEL RK END QLL KK TH YSK HAY CY IV DNV NN LT GAV AND NG RGL PC	900
LSE KND N ANL FLEM R N KIV H LNV VHD MV KY IN EIK NITS Y YA FF CY VL QR MI I GN NS NE Q	960
NKF KAK YSK T LQE FG TYS KD LM WVL NLP FA YN LP RY KNL S NE QLF YD EEE RME KIV GR K N	1020

DSR

1023 (SEQ ID NO:

99).

**[0163]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:  
 CasRX/Cas13d Metagenomic hit (no protein accession): contig emb|OGDF01008514.1| (human gut metagenome assembly):

MTETKPKRED IAKTPAAKSR SKAAGLKSTF AVNGSVLLTS FGRGNDAVPE KLITEKAVSE	60
INTVKPRFSV EKPATSYSSS FGIKSHISAT ADNPLAGRAPHGEDAIHAKE VLEQRVFGKT	120
FSDDNIHIQL IYNILDIRKI LSTYANNVVFTINSMRRLDE YDREQDYLGY LYTGNNSYERL	180
LDIADKYAVD GEDWRNTAAG ISNDFEKKQF QTINGFWDLL DMIEPYMCYF SEAFFCETTV	240
KDPDSDRIVP CLEQRSDGDI YNLRLILSIV RQTCMHDNAS MRTVMFTLGQ NSVRDRKNGF	300
DELAELLDYL YDEKIDIVNR DFLRNQKNNI ELLSRIYGGSS ADSPERDRLV QNFYDFRVLS	360
QDKNLGFSIK KLREKLLDSP ALSVVRSKKY DTMRSKIYSL IDFMIYRKFS ENHVAVDDFV	420
EELRSLLTED EKESAYSRWA ETLINDGFAQ EILVKLLPQT DPAVIGKIKG KKLLNDSIAG	480
IKLKKDASFF TKIINVLCMF QDGKEINELV SSLVNKFANI QSFVDVMRSQ GIDSGFTADY	540
AMFAESGRIS RELHILKGIA RMQHSIAGLG DVKIYGSDDK FHGVSRVYT DAAYILGFGE	600
RSEDNDGYVD DYVSSKLLGG ADKNLRNFI NNVIKNRRFL YTIVRYMNPKR AKKLVQNDAL	660
VVLALSGIPE TQIDRYYKSC IEKRSNPDL NEKIAALSEM ITTLKIDDDE DVKQNPEKNA	720
NYEAKKNQRI SKERYKACIG LYLTIVLYLIC KNLVKINARY SIAIGCLERD TQLHGVDFKG	780
AAYMTRDVFI AKGWINPKP TVKSIKEQYA FLTPYIFTTY RNMIAHLAAV TNAYKYIPQM	840
DRFKSWFHLY HTVIQHSLIQ QEYDRDYGR KGAPVVSERV LOLLEQCREH SNYSRDLLHI	900
LNLPGYNNLP RYLNLSSEKY FDANAI	926

**[0164]** (SEQ ID NO: 100).

**[0165]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:  
 CasRX/Cas13d Metagenomic hit (no protein accession): contig emb|OGPN01002610.1 (human gut metagenome assembly):

MAKKITAKQK REEKERLNKQ KWAKQDTPVV PKSKTEEKPV AASDDKLLKT TQVKVQTKS	60
KAKAMGLKTV LSFDDKIAIA SFVNDKTKL PHIERITDKS GTTIHENARM FDSSVDEQNV	120
NIEKRMTIEE KQNDGTFKKD EKDVKATICN PYFKTCGKDY IGIKDVAEKY FFGKTFPNEN	180
LRVQIAYNVF DIQKILGTYV NNIIYSFYNL RRDGKSDVDI IGSLYAFADF DNQLKDKPAF	240
REAKDLLKNT EAYFSYFGDV FKKSKKGKKD ENNEDYEKNL RHNFNVLRLV SFLRQICTHA	300
YVKCTGGAKN NGDSTKVEAE SLDALFNITE YFAKTAPELS KTINEIYKEG IDRINNDFVT	360
NGKNNLYILS KVYPDMQRNE LVKKYYQFVV CKEGNNGVGTRKLKESIIS QHPWITTPQD	420
NNKANDYESC RHKLYTIMCF ILVAELDAHE SIRDNMVAEL RANMDGDDGR DAIYEKYAKD	480
IYHIVKDKLL AMQKVFDDEL VPVKVEGKND PQQFTHGKLG KKEIESFCCLS DKNTSDIAKV	540
VYFLCNFLDG KEINELCCAM MNKFDGIGDL IDTAKQCSEE VKFIEEFACL SNCRKITNDI	600
RVAKSISKMK NKVNIDNDII YLDAIELLGR KIEKYQKDEN GKILLGTDGK RLYTQEYKYF	660
NDMFFNAGNH KVRNFIANNV MQSKWFFYVV RYNKPaecqi IMRNKTLVKF TLDDLPDMQI	720
QRYYSSVFGD NNMPAVDEMR KRLLDKINQF SVRGFLDELD EIVLMSDEES KRNKSSSEKEQ	780
KKSLIRLYLT IAYLITKSMV KINTRFSIAC AMYERDYALL CQSEMKGGPW DGGAQALAVT	840

RKFLNHDREV FDRYCAREAE IARLPSEERK PLRKANDKLL KQTHYTNHSY TYIVNNLNSF	900
TDIDYCAKDV GLPAPNDKND NASILGEMRN DIAHLNIVHD MVKYIEELKD ISSYYAFYCY	960
VLQRRLVGKD PNCQNKFKA YAKELNDYGT YNKNLWMMLN LPFAYNLPRY KNLSSEFLFY	1020
DMEYNKKDDE	1030

(SEQ ID NO: 101).

**[0166]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:  
 CasRX/Cas13d Metagenomic hit (no protein accession): from contig emb|OBLI01020244 and  
 emb|OBLI01038679 (from pig gut metagenome):

MAKKITAKQR REERERQNQ KWAKKQADAT AVECEADIK PADSKDEDCT NIYIKREKKK	60
TQAKAMGLKT VLGFDNKIAI ASFMSSKDSK SSHIERITDP NGKTIREDVR MFDSNVDECS	120
INLEKRMTVE ERQKDGTIKK DEKDVKSTIC NPYSNECGKD YIGIKSVAEE LFFGRTFPND	180
NLRVQIAYNI FDIQKILGTY INNIIYSFYN LSRDESQSDN DVIGTLYMLK DFDGQKETDT	240
FRQARALLER TEAYYSYFDN VFKKIDKNKK KSDDCKRERN EILRYNFNVL RVLSFLRQIC	300
AHAQVKISNE HDREKGGLV DSLDALFNIS RFFDAVAPEL NEVINSVYSK GIDDINDNFV	360
KNGKNNFYIL SKIYPEVARE DLLREYYYYFV VSKEGNНИGI STKKLKEAII VQDMSYIKSE	420
DYDTYRNKLY TVLCFILVKE LNERTTIREQ MVALRLANMN GDIGREDIYS KYAKIIYAQV	480
KPRFDTMKSA FEEEAKDVIV PDKKPKVFS HGKLDKNEIE RFCITSANTD SVAKIIYFLC	540
KFLDGKEINE LCCAMMNKLD GINDLIETAE QCGAKVEFVD KFSVLSNCET ISDQIRIVKS	600
ISKMKKEIAI DNDFIFLDAL ELLGRKIDKY KKDATGKYLK DENGKYLYSK EYDDFQYMFF	660
KDSHRVRNFI SNSVIKSKWF SYIVRYNQPS ECRAIMKNKT LVKFALDELP DLQIQRYFVA	720
LYGDEDLPSY GEMRKILLKK LHDFSIKGFL DEIVLLSDLD MESQDKYCEK EQKKSLFRLY	780
LTIAYLITKS MVKINTRFSI ACATYERDYA LLCASNKQER AWSSGATALA LTRRFLNQDK	840
LIFEKHYARE GEISKLKPKEE RKAMRKVNQ LLKRTHFSKH SYCYIVDNVN RLTGGECRTD	900
KRVLPVNLNEK NDNAGILLDF RKTIAHLVV HKMVDYVDEI KGITSYYAFF CYVLQRMLVG	960
NNLNEKNAIK EKYSATVKSF GTYSKDFMWL INLPFAYNLP RYKNLSNEQL FYDEEERNET	1020
EEQIDRL	1027

(SEQ ID NO: 102).

**[0167]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:  
 CasRX/Cas13d Metagenomic hit (no protein accession): contig OIZX01000427.1:

MAAKKKTARQ LREEMQQQRK QAIQKQQEQR QEKAATARET AAPEQPAAP VPKRQRKSIA	60
KAAGLKSNF1 LDPQRRRTVM TAFGQGSTAI LEKQIVDRAI SDLQPVQQFQ VEPASAAKYR	120
LKNCSRVRFPN VTADDPLYRR KDGGFVPGMD ALRRKNVLEQ RFFGKSFADN IHIQMIYSIL	180
DIHKILAAAS GHIVHLLNIV NGSKDRDFIG MLAHVLYNE LNEEAKRSIA DFCKSPRLIY	240
YSAAFYETLD NGKSERRSNE DIFNILALMT CLRNFSHHHS IAIKVKDYSAGLYNLRRLG	300
PDMKKMLDTF YTEAFIQLNQ SFQDHNTTNL TCLFDILNIS DSARQKOLAE EFYRYVVFKE	360
QKNLGFSVRK LREEMLLLDP AAVIADKRYD TCRSKLYNLM DFLILRVYRT GRADRCDKLP	420
EALRAALTDE EKAVVYHKEA LSLWNEMRTL ILDGLLPQMT PENLSRLSGQ KRKGELSLLDD	480
AMLKECLYEP GPVPEDAAPE EANAЕYFCRM IYLATLFMDG KEINTLLTTL ISKFENIAAF	540
LQTMEQLNIE AELGPEYAMF TRSRAVAEQL RVINSFALMK KPQVNAKQQL YRAAVTLLGT	600
EDPDGVVTDEM LCIDPVTGKM LPPNQRHHGD TGLRNFIANN VVESRRFQYL IRYSDPAQLH	660

QLASNKKLVR FVLSSIPDTQ INRYYETCGQ TRLAGRAAKV EFLTDMIAAI RFDQFRDVNQ	720
KERGANTQKE RYKAMLGLYQ TVLYLAVKNL VNINARYVMA FHCVERDMFL YDGELETDPKG	780
ESVSAFLAVN GKKGVQPQYL LLTQLFIRRD YLKRSACEQI QHNMENISDR LLREYRNAVA	840
HLNVIAHLAD YSADMREITS YYGLYHYLMQ RHLFKRHAWQ IRQPERPTEE EQKLIEQEQQK	900
QLAWEKALFD KTLQYHSYNK DLVKALNAPP GYNLARYKNL SIEPLFSKEA APAAEIKATH	960
A	961

(SEQ ID NO: 103).

**[0168]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Metagenomic hit (no protein accession): contig OCTW011587266.1:

MKQNDRENNN KIKKSAAKAV GVKSLARLSD GSTVVSSFGK GAAAELESLI TGGEIRKLSD	60
KAIILEITDDT QNKNAYNVKS SRIPNLNTART DKLSDKSGMD DLGFKRELEL EVFGQCFDDS	120
IHIQIAHAVF DIQKSLAAVI PNVLYTLLNL DRSYSTDNTS DKKDIIGNTL NYQHSYESFN	180
VEKRGEFTEY YNAAKDRFSY FPDILCVLEK VNGKDRYQPK SEKDABNVLS SVNMLRNSLF	240
HFAPKSNDGK ARIAVFKNQF DSDFSHITST VNKIYSAKIA GVNVENFLNNE GNNLYIILKA	300
TNWDIKKIVP QLYRFSVLKS DKNMGFNMRK LREFAVESKN IDLSRLNDKF LTNNRKKLYK	360
VIDFIIYYHL NKVLIKDSFVD DFVAALRASQ SEEKEKLYA QYSERLFADE GLKSAIKKAV	420
DMISDTKSNI FKMKTPLDKA LIENIKVNSD ASDFCKLIYV FTRFLDGKEI NILLNSLIKK	480
FQDIHSFNTT VKKLENNLI INADYVDDYS LFHQSGTVAR ELMLIKSISK MDFGLDNINL	540
SFMYDDALRT LGVSDENLPE VKREYFGKTK NLSAYIRNNV LENRRFKYVI KYIHPSDVQK	600
IACNKAIAGF VLNRMPDTQI KRYYDSLXK GATDIQAAQAK ALLDCITGIS FDAIKDDKHL	660
HKSKEKSPQR SADRERKKAM LTLYYTIVYI FVKQMLHINS LYTIFFYLE RDQRFIYSRA	720
KKENKNPSKN SYLNDFRSVT AYFIPSEIMK RIEKNENKGF LEDFEALWNS CGKTSRLRKE	780
DVLLYARYIS PDHALKNYKM ILNSYRNKIA HINVIMSAGK YTGGIKRMDS YFSVFQHLVQ	840
CDILSNPNNK GKCFESESLSK PLLDMKFDG TDEKLYSKRL TRALNIPFGY NVPRYKNLTF	900
EKIYLKSSIN E	911 (SEQ ID NO:

104).

**[0169]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Metagenomic hit (no protein accession): contig emb|OGNF01009141.1:

MADIDKKKSS AKAAGLKSTF VLENNKLLMT SFGNGNKAVI EKIIDEKVDS INEPEVFSVT	60
PCDKKFELQP AKRGLAADSL VDNPLKSKKT AGDDAIHSRK FLERQFFDGN TFNDNIHIQL	120
IYNILDIEKI LSVHVNDIVY SVNNILSRGE GMEYNDYIGT LNLKSFETYK NNLVNKKFD	180
LDRVKKIPQL AYFGSAFYNT PEDTSAKITK TKIKSNEEIY YTFMLLSTAR NFSAHYLDRN	240
RAKSSDAEDF DGTSVIMYNL DNEELYKKLY NKKVHMALTG MKKVLDANFN KKVEHLNNF	300
IKNSAKDFVI LCEVLCIJKSR DEKTKFVKDY YDFVVRKNYK HLGFVSKELR ELLFANHDSN	360
KYIKEFDKIS NKKFDSVRSR LNRLADYIIY DYYNKNNAKV SDLVKYLRRA ADDEQKKKIY	420
LNESINLVKS GILERIKKIL PKLNGKIIGN MQFDSTITAS MLHNTGKDWL PISENAHYFT	480
KWIYTLLFM DGKEINDLVT TLINKFDNIA SFIEVLKSQS VCTHFSEERK MFIDSAEICS	540
ELSAMNSFAR MEAPGASSKR AMFVEAARIL GDNRSKEELE EYFDTLFDKS ASKKEKGFRN	600
FIRNNVVDSN RFKYLTRYTD TSSVKAFSNN KALVKFAIKD IPQEQLRYY NSCFGASERY	660
YNDGMSDKLV EAIGKINLMQ FNGVIQQADR NMLPEEKKA NAQKEKYKSI IRLYLTVCYL	720

FFKNLVYVNS RYYSAFYNLE KDRSLFEING ELKPTGKFDE GHYTGLVKLF IDNGWINPRA	780
SAYLTVNLAN SDETAIRTFR NTAEHLEALR NADKYLNDLK QFD SYFEIYH YITQRNIKEK	840
CEMLKEQTVK YNN DLLKYHG YSKDFVKALC VPFGYNLPRF KNLSIDALFD KNDKREKLKK	900
GFED	904

(SEQ ID NO: 105).

**[0170]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Metagenomic hit (no protein accession): contig emb|OIEN01002196.1:

MERQKRKMKS KSKMAGVKSV FVIGDELLMT SFGDGDDAVL EKDIDENGVV NDCRNPAAYD	60
AVYGTDSIRV KKTNNNIRAK VNNPLAKSNI RSEESALFR RVNEYKREQK DKYETLFFGK	120
TFDDNIHIQL ISKILDIEKT FSVVIGNIVY AINNLSLEQS IDRPIDIFGD KNTQGISLRE	180
DNDYLKTMLP RCEYLFHNIL NSSDNNNSKM NYNKVNKGKE EKDNRNNENI EKLKKALEVI	240
KIIRVDSFHG VDGKKGDKF PRSKYNLAVN YNEEIQKTIS EPFNRKVEEV QQDFYRNCSV	300
NIDFLKEIMY GSNTDGRGSD SLECSYFNFA ILKQNKNMGF SITSIRECLL DLYELNFESM	360
QNLRRPTRANSF CDFLIYDYYC KNESERANLV DCLRSAASEE EKKNIYFQTA ERVKEKFRNA	420
FNRISRFDAS YIKNSREKNL SGGSSLPKYS FIEGFTKRSK KINDNDEKNA DLFCNMLYYL	480
AQFLDGKEIN IFLTSIHNF QNIDSFLKVM KEKGMECKFQ KDFKMFSHAG HVAKKIEIVI	540
SLAKMKKTLD FYNAQALKDA VTILGVSKKH QYLDMNSYLD FYMFDRNGA TGKNAGKDHN	600
LRNFLVSNVI RSRKFNYLSR YSNLAEVKKL AQNPSLVQFV LSRIEPSLIC RYYESSQGIS	660
SEGITIDEQI KKLTGIIIVDM NIDSFENINN GEIGMRYSKA TPQSIERRNQ MRVCVGLYLN	720
VLYQIEKNLM NVNARYVLAF AFAERDALML NFTLEECKKN KKRSSGGFSF IEMTQFFIDK	780
KLFKVATEAI KKNVLKYNGN PESLNHIPGE YICKNMEGYH ENTVRNFRNM VAHLTAVARV	840
PLYISEVTQI DSYYALYHYC MQMNLQGIE QSGKILDNIK LKNALENARV HRTYSKDAVK	900
YLCLPFAYNI SRYKALTICKD LFDWTEYSCK KDE	933

(SEQ ID NO: 106).

**[0171]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Metagenomic hit (no protein accession): contig e-k87\_11092736:

MKRQKTFAKR IGIKSTVAYG QGKYAITTFG KGSKAEIAVR SADPPEETLP TESDATLSIH	60
AKFAKAGRDX REFKCGDVDE TRIHTSRSEY ESLISNPAES PREDYGLKG TLERKFFGDE	120
YPKDNLRIQI IYSILDIQKI LGYVEDILH FVDGLQDEPE DLVGLGLGDE KMQKLLSKAL	180
PYMGFFGSTD VFVKVTKKREE RAAADEHNAK VFRALGAIRQ KLAHFWKES LAIFGANANM	240
PIRFFQGATG GRQLWNDVIA PLWKKRIERV RKSFLSNSAK NLWVLYQVFK DDTDEKKKAR	300
ARQYYHFSVL KEGKNLGFNL TKTREYFLDK FFPIFHSSAP DVKRKVDTFR SKFYAILDFI	360
IYEASVSVAN SGQMGKVAPW KGAIDNALVK LREAPDEEAK EKIYNVLAAS IRNDSLFLRL	420
KSACDKFGAE QRQPVFPNEL RNNRDIRNVR SEWLEATQDV DAAAFVQLIA FLCNFLEGKE	480
INELVTALIK KFEGIQALID LLRNLEGVDS IRFENEFAFL NDDKGNMAGR IARQLRLLAS	540
VGKMKPDMDT AKRVLYKSAL EILGAPPDEV SDEWLAENIL LDKSNNDYQK AKKTVNPFRN	600
YIAKNVITSR SFYLYVRYAK PTAVRKLMSPKIVRYVLKR LPEKQVASYY SAIWTQSES	660
SNEMVKLIEM IDRLLTTEIAG FSFAVLKDKK DSIVSASRES RAVNLEVERL KKLTTLYMSI	720
AYIAVKSLVK VNARYFIAYS ALERDLYFFN EKYGEEFRlh FIPYELNGKT CQFEYLAILK	780
YYLARDEETL KRKCEICEEI KVGCEHKKN ANPPYNEYDQE WIDKKKALNS ERKACERRLH	840
FSTHWQAQYAT KRDENMAKHP QKWDYLASH YDELLALQAT GWLATQARND AEHLPVNEF	900

DVYIEDLRRY PEGTPKNKDY HIGSYFEIYH YIRQRAYLEE VLAKRKEYRD SGSFTDEQLD	960
KLQKILDDIR ARGSYDKNLL KLEYLPFAYN LPRYKNLTTE ALFDDDSVSG KKRVAEWRER	1020
EKTREAEREQ RRQR	1034

(SEQ ID NO: 107).

An exemplary direct repeat sequence of CasRX/Cas13d Metagenomic hit (no protein accession): contig e-k87\_11092736 (SEQ ID NO: 107) comprises or consists of the nucleic acid sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Direct repeat 1: gtgagaagtc tccttatggg gagatgtac

(SEQ ID NO: 108).

**[0172]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Ga0129306\_1000735:

MQKQREQQTV TDESERKKKP LKSGAKAAGL KSVFVLSEKG ELLTSFGRGN EAVPEKRTVG	60
GTIANARTDN KEAFSAALQN KRFEVFGRTA GSSDDPLAVS RAPGQDLIGA KTALEERYFG	120
RAFADNIHMQ VIYAIQDINK ILAVHANNIV YTLNNLDREA DPETDDFIGS GYLTLKNTFE	180
TYCDPAALNE REREKVTVSK QHFDAFMQNP RLAYYGNNAFF RKLSKAERLA RGREIFDKES	240
PERRQEILGS RGKNKSVVDE IRALAPEWVK REERDVYSEL VLMSELRQSC FHGQQKNSAR	300
IFLRLNDLGP GVDGARELLD RLYAEKINDL RSFDKTSASS NFRLLFNAYH ADNEKKKELA	360
QEFYRFSVLK VSKNTGFSIR TLREKIIEDH AAQYRDKIYD SMRKKLSTF DFFLWRFYEE	420
REDEAELRA CLRAARSDEE KEQIYAEAAA SCWPSVKPFV ESVAATLCDV VKGRTKLNKL	480
KLSADESTLV RNAIDGVRIS PRASYFTKLI YLMTLFLDGK EINDLLTTLI HAFENIDSFL	540
SVLGSERLER TFDANYRIFA DSGVIAQELR AVNSFARMTT EPFNSKLVMF EDAAQLFGMS	600
GGLVEHAEEL REYLDNKMLD KTKLRLLPDG KVDTGFRNFI ISNVTESRRF RYLVRYCEPR	660
AVRDYMSCRP LIRLTLRDMP DTILRYYEQ SVGAATVDRE RILDTLADKL LSLRFTDFEN	720
VNQRNAERN REKQKMMGII SLYLNVAYQI VKNLVYVNAR YT MAYHCAER DTELLLNAAG	780
EGNLLRRDRS WPARLHLPPR ALARRDRVE VMERDVARGP EAYNRDEWLG LVRTLRRREKR	840
VCDNLHNHYA YLCGADAEPG DASLSLLFVY RNKAHLSVL NKGGRLSGDL KEAKSWFYVY	900
HFLMQRVLEE EFRNTQALPE RLRELLMAE RYRGCSKDLI KVNLTFAYN LPRYKNLSID	960
GRFDKNHPDP SDE	973

(SEQ ID NO: 109).

**[0173]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Ga0129317\_1008067:

MKKQKKSLVK AAGLKS AFVV GDSVY LTSFG KGNAARLDTK INPDNSTERY VSDSEKHTLK	60
INSITDTEL RLSGPFPKQAE AKNPTHKDN EQKNT RQDML GLKSTLEKFY FGSTFDDNIH	120
IQI IHNQDI AKILA AHSSN AGYALDNMLA YQGVEFSDMI GYMGTSRTFD NYDPNHKNNK	180
DFFRFLKLPR LGYFGSAFYS QKGKDFEKRS DEEVYNICAL MGQIRQCCFH GKQEKYQLKW	240
LYNFHNFKSN KPFLDTLDKH FDEMIDRINK NFIKNNTPDL IILSGLYPDM AKKELVRLFY	300
DFTTVKEYKN MGFSVKKLRE KMLES EEA ASD FRDKDYDSVR RKLYKLMDFC IYYLYYSDSE	360
RNENLVSRLR ESLTDENKDI IYSKEAKIW NELRKKFSTI LDNVKG SNIK KLENVKEKFI	420
SEDEFDDIKL DIDISYFSKL MYVMCYFLDG KEIN DLLTTL VSKFDNIGSI IEAATQIGIN	480
IEFIDDFKFF DR SKDISVEL NIIRNFARMQ APVPAKRAM QEDAIRILGG SEEDIFSILD	540

DMTGYDKSGK KLAQSKKGFR NFIINNVES SRFKYIVRYS NPQKIRKLAN NSVVVGFVLG 600  
 KLPDAQIESY FNSCLPNRVY STPDKARESL RDMLHNISFN DFADVKQDDR RATPEEKVEK 660  
 ERYKAIIGLY LTVMYHLVKN LVYVNSRYVM AFHCLERDAM HYDVSLDNYR DLIRHLISEG 720  
 DSSCNHFISH NRRMRDCIEE NVKNSEQLIF GKEDAVIRFR NNVAHLSAIR NANEYIGDIR 780  
 EITSYFALYH YLMQRKLIDD CKVNDTAHKY FEQLTKYKTY VMMDMVKALCS PFGYNLPRFK 840  
 NLSIEGKFDM HESK 854

(SEQ ID NO: 110).

**[0174]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d Ga0224415\_10048792:

MSKKENRKSY VKGLGLKSTL VSDSKVYLTT FADGSNAKLE KCVENNKIIC ISNDKEAFAA 60  
 SIANKNVGYK IKNDEKFRHP KGVDIISNNP LLHNNSVQOD MLGLKNVLEK RYFGKSSGGD 120  
 NNLCIQIIHN IIDIEKILSE YIPNVVYAFN NIAGFKDEHN NIIDIIGTQT YNSSYYTYADF 180  
 SKDKSDKKYI EFQKLLKNKR LGYWGKAFFT GQGNNAKVRQ ENQCFHIIAL LISLRNWATH 240  
 SNELDKHTKR TWLYKLDDTN ILNAEYVKT NYLYDTIADE LTKSFSKNGA VNVNLYLAKKY 300  
 NIKDDLPGFS EQYFRFSIMK EQKNLGFNIS KLRENMLDFK DMSVIRDDHN RYDKDRSKIY 360  
 TMMDFVIYRY YIDNNNDSID FINKLRSSID EKSKEKLYNE EANRLWNKLK EYMLYIKEFN 420  
 GKLASRTPDR DGNISEFVES LPKIHRLLPR GQKISNFSKL MYLLTMFLDG KEINDLLTTL 480  
 INKFENIQGF LDIMPEINVN AKFEPEYVFF NKSHEIAGEL KLIKGFAQMG EPAATLKLEM 540  
 TADAIIKILGT EKEDAEIJKL AESLFKDENG KLLGNKQHGM RNFIGNNVIK SKRFHYLIRY 600  
 GDPAHLHKIA TNKNVVRFVL GRIADMQKKQ GQKGKQNQIDR YYEVCGNND IKKTIEEKID 660  
 ALTDIIVNMN YDQFEKKKAV IENQNRGKTF EEKNKYKRDN AEREKFKKII SLYLTVIYHI 720  
 LKNIVNVNSR YILGFHCLER DKQLYIEKYN KDKLDGFVAL TKFCLGDEER FEDLKAKAQA 780  
 SIQALETANP KLYAKYMNY S DEEKKEEFKK QLNRRERVKNA RNAYLKNIKN YIMIRLQLRD 840  
 QTDSGGYLCG EFRDKVAHLE VARHAHEYIG NIKEVNSYFQ LYHYIMQCRL YDVLKNNTKA 900  
 EAMVKGKAKE YFEALEKEGT YNDKLLKIA C VPFGYCIPRY KNLSMEEELFD MNEEKKFKKK 960  
 APENT 965 (SEQ ID NO:

111).

**[0175]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence

CasRX/Cas13d 160582958\_gene49834:

MKNSVTFKLI QAQENKEAAR KKAQDIAEQ A RIAKRNGVVK KEENRINRIQ IEIQTQKKS 60  
 TQNAYHLKSL AKAAGVKS VF AIGNDLILMTG FGPGNDATIE KRVFQNRAIE TLSSPEQYSA 120  
 EFQNKQFKIK GNIKVLNHST QKMEEIQTTEL QDNYNRPHFD LLGCKNVLEQ KYFGRTFSDN 180  
 IHVQIAYNIM DIEKLITPYI NNIIYTINEL MRDNSKDDFF GCDSHFSVAY LYDELKAGYS 240  
 DRLKTKPNLS KNIDRIWNNF CNYMNSDSGN TEARLAYFGE LFYKP KETGD AKSDYKTHLS 300  
 NNQKEEWELK SDKEVYNIFA ILCDLRFCT HGESITPSGK PFPYNLEKNL FPEAKQVLNS 360  
 LFEEKAESLG AEAFGKTAGK TDVSILLKVF EKEQASQKEQ QALLKEYYDF KVQKTYKNMG 420  
 FSIKKLREAI MEIPDAAKFK DDLYSSLRH K LYGLDFILV KHFLDTS DSE NLQNNDIFRQ 480  
 LRACRCEEEK DQVYRSIAVK VWEKVKKEL NMFKQVVVIP SLSKDELKQM EMTKNTELLS 540  
 SIETISTQAS LFSEMIFMMT YLLDGKEINL LCTSLIEKFE NIASFNEVLK SPQIGYETKY 600  
 TEGYAFFKNA DKTAKELRQV NNMARMTKPL GGVNTKCVMY NEAAKILGAK PMSKAELESV 660

FNLDNHDYTY SPSGKKIPNK NFRNFIINNV ITSRRFLYLI RYGNPEKIRK IAINPSIISF	720
VLKQIPDEQI KRYYPPCIGK RTDDVTLMRD ELGKMLQSVN FEQFSRVNNK QNAKQNPNGE	780
KARLQACVRL YLTVPYLFIK NMVNINARYV LAFHCLERDH ALCFNSRKLN DDSYNEMANK	840
FQMVRKAKKE QYEKEYKCCK QETGTAHTKK IEKLNQQIAY IDKDIKNMHS YTCRNYRNLV	900
AHLSNVVSKLQ NYVSELPNDY QITSYFSFYH YCMQLGLMEK VSSKNIPLVE SLKNEANDAQ	960
SYSAKKTLEY FDLIEKNRTY CKDFLKALNA PFSYNLPRFK NLSIEALFDK NIVYEQADLK	1020
KE	1022

(SEQ ID NO: 112).

**[0176]** An exemplary direct repeat sequence of CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence

CasRX/Cas13d 160582958 \_gene49834 (SEQ ID NO: 112) comprises or consists of the nucleic acid sequence: CasRX/Cas13d DR:

gaactacacc cctctgttct tgttaggggtc taacac	36
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(SEQ ID NO: 113).

**[0177]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d 250twins\_35838\_GL0110300:

MGNKQRVSAQ KRRENAKLCN QQKARQAESQ RDKIKNMNVE KMKNINTNDI KHTKTTAKKL	60
GLKSTIIADK KIILTSFINE QSSKTANIEK VAGFKGDTID TISYTPRMFR SEINPGEIVI	120
SKGDDLSEFA NPANFPPIGRD YVKIRSALEK QYFGKEFPED NLHVQIAYNV ADIKKILSVY	180
INNNIYMFYN LARSEEEYDIF YNSQSENSGR DCDVIGSLYY QASYRNQDAN RFEKGDKKKA	240
IDSLLLDDTRA YYTYFDGLFS VPKRREDDGKI KESEKEKAKD QNFDVLRLLS VGRQLTFHSD	300
KSNNEAYLFD LSKLTRAQQD ENRRQDIQSL LNILNSTCRS NLEGVNGDFV KHAKNNLYVL	360
NQLYPSLKAN DLIGEYYNFI VKKENRNIGI RLITVRELLI EHNYTNLKDS KYDTYRNKIY	420
TVLNFILFRE IQENSIAIKN FREKLRSTEK AEQPALYQAF ANKIYPMVQA KFAKAIIDLFE	480
EQYKTKFKSE FKGGISIENM QQQNILLQTE NIDYFSKYVL FLTKFLDGKE INELLCALIN	540
KFDNIADLLD ISKQIGTPVV FCADYESLND AAKIAENIRL IKNIAHLRPA IQEAQSSKDN	600
ADAAGTPATL LIDAYNMLNT DIQLVYGEAA YEELRKDLFE RKNGTKYNKK GKKVDVYDHK	660
FRNFLINNVI KSKWFFYIAK YVKPADCAKM MSNKKMIEFA LRDLPETQIK RYYYTITGNE	720
ALGDAESLKG VIIEQLHAFS IKNTLLSIKN MGEGEYKIQQ IGSSKEKLKA IVNLYLTVAY	780
LLTKSLVKVN IRFSIAFGCL ERDLVLQKKS EKKFDAIINE ILLEDDKIRK ECDKERQAK	840
TLPRELAQER FAQIKRRESG CYFKSYHVD YLSKNSNEFK QNHIDFAVTS YRNNVEHNV	900
VHCMTKFSE VKDVKSYYGV YCYIMQRMLC DELIINKQDK PDVRQTFEY NRLLKDHGTY	960
SKNLMWLLNF PFAYNLARYK NLSNEDLFNA KNNDQKSK	998

(SEQ ID NO: 114).

**[0178]** Exemplary CasRX/Cas13d proteins may comprise or consist of the sequence:

CasRX/Cas13d 250twins\_36050\_GL0158985:

MKKKHQSAAE KRQVKKLKNQ EKAQKYASEP SPLQSDTAGV ECSQKKTUVS HIASSTKTLAK	60
AMGLKSTLVM GDKLVITSFA ASKAVGGAGY KSANIEKITD LQGRVIEEHE RMFSADVGEK	120

NIELSKNDCH TNVNNNPVVTN IGKDYIGLKS RLEQEFFGKT FENDNLHVQL AYNILDIKKI	180
LGTYYVNNIIY IFYNLNRA GT GRDERMYDDL IGTLYAYKPM EAQQTYLLKG DKDMRRFEEV	240
KQLLQNTSAY YVYYGTLFEK VKAKSKKEQR AKEAEIDACT AHNYDVLRLL SLMRQLCMHS	300
VAGTAFKLAE SALFNIEDVL SADLKELDE AFGAVNKLN DGFVQHSGNN LYVLQQLYPN	360
ETIERIAEKY YRLTVRKEDL NMGVNIKKLR ELIVGQYFPE VLDKEYDL SK NGDSVVTYRS	420
KIYTVMNYIL LYYLEDHDSS RESMVEALRQ NREGDEGKEE IYRQFAKKVW NGVSLFGVC	480
LNLFKTEKRN KFRSKVALPD VSGAAYMLSS ENIDYFVKML FFVCKFLDGK EINELLCALI	540
NKFDNIADIL DAAAQCQGSSV WFVDSYRFFE RSRRISAQIR IVKNIASKDF KKSKKDSDES	600
YPEQOLYLDAL ALLGDVISKY KQNRDGSVVI DDQGNAVLTE QYKRFRYEFF EEIKRDESGG	660
IKYKKSGKPE YNHQRRNFIL NNVLKS KWFF YVVVKYNRPSS CRELMKNKEI LRFVLRDIPD	720
SQVRRYFKAV QGEEAYASAE AMRTRLVDAL SQFSVTACLD EVGGMTDKF ASQRAVDSKE	780
KLRAIIRLYL TVAYLITKSM VKVNTRFSIA FS VLERDYYL LIDGKKKSSD YTGEDMLALT	840
RKFVGEDAGL YREWKEKNAE AKDKYFDKA E RKKVLRQNDK MIRKMHFTPH SLNYVQKNLE	900
SVQSNGLA AV IKEYRNAVAH LNIINRLDEY IGSARADSYY SLYCYCLQMY LSKNFSGYLV	960
INVQKQLEEH HTYMKDLMWL LNIPFAYNLA RYKNLSNEKL FYDEEEAAEK ADAKENERGE	1020

(SEQ ID NO: 115).

**[0179]** Yan et al. (2018) *Mol Cell.* 70(2):327-339 (doi: 10.1016/j.molcel.2018.02.2018) and Konermann et al. (2018) *Cell* 173(3):665-676 (doi: 10.1016/j.cell/2018.02.033) have described CasRX/Cas13d proteins and both of which are incorporated by reference herein in their entireties. Also see WO Publication Nos. WO2018/183703 (CasM) and WO2019/006471 (Cas13d), which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

**[0180]** Exemplary wild type Cas13d proteins of the disclosure may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

**[0181] Cas13d (*Ruminococcus flavefaciens XPD3002*) sequence:**

1 IEKKKSFAKG MGVKSTLVSG SKVYMTTFAE GSDARLEKIV EGDSIRSVNE GEAFAEMAD	
61 KNAGYKIGNA KFSHPKGYAV VANNPLYTGP VQQDMLGLKE TLEKRYFGES ADGNDNICIQ	
121 VIHNILDIEK ILAEYITNAA YAVNNISGLD KDIIGFGKFS TVYTYDEFKD PEHHRAAFNN	
181 NDKLINAIAKA QYDEFDNFLD NPRLGYFGQA FFSKEGRNYI INYGNEYDI LALLSGLAHW	
241 VVANNEEESR ISRTWLYNLD KNLDNEYIST LNYLYDRITN ELTNNSFSKNS AANVNYIAET	
301 LGINPAEFAE QYFRFSIMKE QKNLGFNITK LREVMLDRKD MSEIRKHNKV FDSIRTKVYT	
361 MMDFVIYRYY IEEDAKVAAA NKS LPDNEKS LSEKDIFVIN LRGSFNDDQK DALYYDEANR	
421 IWRKLENIMH NIKEFRGNKT REYKKKDAPR LPRILPAGR D VS AF SKL MYA LTMFLDGKEI	
481 NDLLTTLINK FDNIQSFLKV MPLIGVNAKF VEEYAFFKDS AKIADELRLI KSFARMGEPI	
541 ADARRAMYID AIRILGTNLS YDELKALADT FS LDENG NKL KKGKHGMRF IINNVI SNKR	
601 FHYLIRYGD P AHLHEIAKNE AVVKFVLGRI ADI QK KQGQN GKNQID RYYE TCIGKDKGKS	
661 VSEKVDALTK IITGMNYDQF DKKRSVIEDT GRENAEREKF KKIISLYLT V IYHILKNIVN	
721 INARYVIGFH CVERDAQLYK EKGYDINLKK LEEKGFSSVT KLCAGIDETA PDKRKDVEKE	
781 MAERAKESID SLESANPKLY ANYIKYSDEK KAEEFTRQIN REKAKTALNA YLRNTKWNVI	
841 IREDLLRIDN KTCTLFANKA VALEVARYVH AYINDIAEVN SYFQLYHYIM QRIIMNERYE	
901 KSSGKVSEYF DAVNDEKKYN DRLLKLLCVP FGYCIPRFKN LSIEALFDRN EAAKFDKEKK	
961 KVSGNS (SEQ ID NO: 45).	

**[0182]** Exemplary wild type Cas13d proteins of the disclosure may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

**[0183]** Cas13d (contig e-k87\_11092736):

MKRQKTFAKRIGIKSTVAYGQGKYAITTFGKGSKAEIAVRSADPPEETLPTESDATLSIHAKFA  
KAGR DGRE FKCGDVDETRIHTSRSEYESLISNPAESPREDYLGKGLKGTLERKFFGDEYPKDNLRI  
QI IYSILD IQKIL GLYVEDILHFVDGLQD E PEDLVGLGLGDEKM QKLLSKALPYMGFFGSTDVF  
KVTKKREERA AADEHNAKVFRALGAIRQKLAHKWKE SLAIFGANANMPIRFFQGATGGRQLWN  
DVIAPLWKKRIERVRKSFLSNSAKNLWVLYQVF KDDTDEKKKARARQYYHFSVLKEGKNLGFNL  
TKTREYFLDKFFFPIFHSSAPDVKRKVDTFRSKFYAILDFIIYEASVSVANSQGMGVAPWKGAI  
DNALVKLREAPDEEAKEKIYNVLAASIRNDSLFLRLKSACDKFGAEQNRPVFPNELRNNRDIRN  
VRSEWLEATQDVAAAFVQLIAFLCNFLEGKEINELVTALIKKFEGIQALIDLLRNLEGVDSIR  
FENE FALFNDDKGNMAGRIARQLLLASVGKMKPDMDTDAKRVLYKSALEILGAPPDEVSDEWLA  
ENILLDKSNNDYQKAKKTVNPFRNYIAKNVITSRSFYLVRYAKPTAVRKLMSPKIVRYVLKR  
LPEKQVASYYSAIWTQSESNSNEMVKLIEMIDRLTTEIAGFSFAVLKDKKDSIVSASRESRAVN  
LEVERLKKLTLYMSIAYIAVKS LVKVNARYFIAYSALERDLYFFNEKYGEFR LHFI PYELNG  
KTCQFEYLAILKYYLARDEETLKRC EICEEIKVGCEHKKNANPPYEDQE WIDKKKALN SER  
KACERRLHFSTHWAYATKRDENMAKHPQK WYDILASHYDELLALQATGWLATQARND AEHLNP  
VNEFDVYIEDLRRYPEGTPKNKDYHIGSYFEIYHYIRQRAYLEEVLAKRKEYRDSGSFTDEQLD  
KLQKILDDIRARGSYDKNLLKLEYLPFAYNLPRYKNLTTEALFDDDSVSGKKRVAEWREREKTR  
EAEREQRRQR (SEQ ID NO: 46).

**[0184]** An exemplary direct repeat sequence of Cas13d (contig e-k87\_11092736) (SEQ ID NO: 46) comprises or consists of the nucleic acid sequence: Cas13d (contig e-k87\_11092736) Direct Repeat Sequence): GTGAGAAAGTCTCCTTATGGGGAGATGCTAC (SEQ ID NO: 47).

**[0185]** Exemplary wild type Cas13d proteins of the disclosure may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

**[0186]** Cas13d (160582958\_gene49834):

MKNSVTFKLIQAQENKEAARKKAKDIAEQARIAKRNGVVKEENRINRIQIEIQTQKKSNTQNA  
YHLKSLAKAAGVKS VFAIGND LLM TGFGPGNDATIEKRVFQNRAIETLSSPEQYSAEFQNKQFK  
IKGNIKVLNHSTQKMEEI QTTELQDN YNRPHFDLLGCKNVLEQKYFGRTFSDNIHVQIAYNIMDI  
EKLLTPYINNIYT LNE LMR DNSKDDFFGCDSHFSVAYLYDELKAGYSDRLKTPNLSKNIDRI

WNNFCNYMNSDSGNTEARLAYFGELFYKPKEGDAKSDYKTHLSNNQKEEWELKSDKEVYNIFA  
 ILCDLRHFCGHGESITPSGKFPYNLEKNLFPEAKQVLNSLFEKAESLGAEAFGKTAGKTDVS  
 ILLKVFEKEQASQKEQQALLKEYYDFKVQKTYKNMGFSIKKLREAIMEIPDAAKFKDDLYSSLR  
 HKLYGLFDFILVKHFLDTSDSENQNNDIFRQLRACRCEEKDQVYRSIAVKVWEVKKKELNM  
 FKQVVVIPSLSKDELKQMEMTKNTELLSSIETISTQASLFSEMFMMTYLLDGKEINLLCTS  
 LI EKFENIASFNEVLKSPQIGYETKYTEGYAFFKNADKTAKELRQVNNMARMTKPLGGVNTKCVMY  
 NEAAKILGAKPMMSKAELESVFNLDNHDYTYSPLSGKKIPNKNFRNFIINNVITSRRFLYLR  
 PEKIRKIAINPSIISFVLKQIPDEQIKRYYPPCIGKRTDDVTLMRDELGKMLQSVNFEQFSRV  
 NKQNAKQNPNGEKARLQACVRLYLTVPYLFIKNMVNIARYVLAFCRLERDHALCFNSRKLND  
 SYNEMANKFQMVRKAKKEQYEKEYKCKQETGTAHTKKIEKLNQQIAYIDKDIKNMHSYTCRNY  
 RNLVAHLNVVSKLQNYVSELPNDYQITSYFSFYHYCMQLGLMEKVSSKNIPLVESLKNEANDAQ  
 SYSAKKTLEYFDLIEKNRTYCKDFLKALNAPFSYNLPRFKNLSIEALFDKNIVYEQADLKKE  
 (SEQ ID NO: 48).

**[0187]** An exemplary direct repeat sequence of Cas13d (160582958\_gene49834) (SEQ ID NO: 48) comprises or consists of the nucleic acid sequence:

**[0188]** Cas13d (160582958\_gene49834) Direct Repeat Sequence:

GAACTACACCCCTCTGTTCTGTAGGGTCTAACAC (SEQ ID NO: 49).

**[0189]** Exemplary wild type Cas13d proteins of the disclosure may comprise or consist of the amino acid sequence:

**[0190]** Cas13d (contig tpg|DJXD01000002.1|; uncultivated *Ruminococcus* assembly, UBA7013, from sheep gut metagenome):

MKKQSKKTVSKTSGLKEALSVQGTIVIMTSFGKGNMANLSYKIPSSQKPQNLNSSAGLKNVEVS  
 GKKIKFQGRHPKIATTDNPLFKPQPGMDLLCLDKLEMHYFGKTFDDNIHIQLIQILDIEKIL  
 AVHVNNIVFTLDNVLHPQKEELTEDFIGAGGWRINLDYQTLRGQTNKYDRFKNYIKRKELLYFG  
 EAIFYHENERRYEEDIFAILTLLSALRQFCFHSDLSSDESDHVNSFWLYQLEDQLSDEFKETLSI  
 LWEEVTERIDSEFLKTNTVNLHILCHVFPKESKETIVRAYYEFLIKKSFKNMGSIKKLREIML  
 EQSDLKSFKEDKYNVRACKLYKLFDFIITYYYDHAFEKEALVSSLRSSLTEENKEIYIKTAR  
 TLASALGADFKKAAADVNAKNIRDYQKKANDYRISFEDIKIGNTGIGYFSELIVMLLLL  
 DGKEINDLLTTLINKFDNIISFIDILKKLNLEFKFKPEYADFFNMTNCRYTLEELRVINSIARMQKPS  
 ADARKIMYRDALRILGMDNRPDEEIDRELERTMPVGADGKFIKGKQGFRNFIASNVIESSRFHY

LVRYNNPHKTRTLVKNPNVVKFVLEGIPEAQIKRYFDVCKGQEIPPTSDKSAQIDVLARISSV  
DYKIFEDVPQSAKINKDDPSRNFSDALKKQRYQAIVSLYLTVMYLITKNLVYVNSRYVIAFHCL  
ERDAFLHGVTLPKMNKKIVYSQLTTHLLTDKNYTTYGHLKNQKGHRKWYVLVKNNLQNSDITAV  
SSFRNIVAHISVVRNSNEYISGIGELHSYFELYHYLVQSMIAKNNWYDTSHQPKTAEYLNKLK  
HHTYCKDFVKAYCIPFGYVVPRYKNLTINELFDRNNPNPEPKEEV (SEQ ID NO: 50).

**[0191]** An exemplary direct repeat sequence of Cas13d (contig tpg|DJXD01000002.1| ; uncultivated *Ruminococcus* assembly, UBA7013, from sheep gut metagenome) (SEQ ID NO: 50) comprises or consists of the nucleic acid sequence: Cas13d (contig tpg|DJXD01000002.1| ; uncultivated *Ruminococcus* assembly, UBA7013, from sheep gut metagenome) Direct Repeat Sequence: CAACTACAACCCCGTAAAAATACGGGGTTCTGAAAC (SEQ ID NO: 51).

### *gRNA Target Sequences*

**[0192]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, a target sequence of an RNA molecule comprises a sequence motif corresponding to the first RNA binding protein and/or the second RNA binding protein.

**[0193]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, the sequence motif is a signature of a disease or disorder.

**[0194]** A sequence motif of the disclosure may be isolated or derived from a sequence of foreign or exogenous sequence found in a genomic sequence, and therefore translated into an mRNA molecule of the disclosure or a sequence of foreign or exogenous sequence found in an RNA sequence of the disclosure.

**[0195]** A sequence motif of the disclosure may comprise or consist of a mutation in an endogenous sequence that causes a disease or disorder. The mutation may comprise or consist of a sequence substitution, inversion, deletion, insertion, transposition, or any combination thereof.

**[0196]** A sequence motif of the disclosure may comprise or consist of a repeated sequence. In some embodiments, the repeated sequence may be associated with a microsatellite instability (MSI). MSI at one or more loci results from impaired DNA mismatch repair mechanisms of a cell of the disclosure. A hypervariable sequence of DNA may be transcribed into an mRNA of the disclosure comprising a target sequence comprising or consisting of the hypervariable sequence.

**[0197]** A sequence motif of the disclosure may comprise or consist of a biomarker. The biomarker may indicate a risk of developing a disease or disorder. The biomarker may indicate a healthy gene (low or no determinable risk of developing a disease or disorder). The biomarker may indicate an edited gene. Exemplary biomarkers include, but are not limited to, single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs), sequence variations or mutations, epigenetic marks, splice acceptor sites, exogenous sequences, heterologous sequences, and any combination thereof.

**[0198]** A sequence motif of the disclosure may comprise or consist of a secondary, tertiary or quaternary structure. The secondary, tertiary or quaternary structure may be endogenous or naturally occurring. The secondary, tertiary or quaternary structure may be induced or non-naturally occurring. The secondary, tertiary or quaternary structure may be encoded by an endogenous, exogenous, or heterologous sequence.

**[0199]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a target sequence of an RNA molecule comprises or consists of between 2 and 100 nucleotides or nucleic acid bases, inclusive of the endpoints. In some embodiments, the target sequence of an RNA molecule comprises or consists of between 2 and 50 nucleotides or nucleic acid bases, inclusive of the endpoints. In some embodiments, the target sequence of an RNA molecule comprises or consists of between 2 and 20 nucleotides or nucleic acid bases, inclusive of the endpoints.

**[0200]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a target sequence of an RNA molecule is continuous. In some embodiments, the target sequence of an RNA molecule is discontinuous. For example, the target sequence of an RNA molecule may comprise or consist of one or more nucleotides or nucleic acid bases that are not contiguous because one or more intermittent nucleotides are positioned in between the nucleotides of the target sequence.

**[0201]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a target sequence of an RNA molecule is naturally occurring. In some embodiments, the target sequence of an RNA molecule is non-naturally occurring. Exemplary non-naturally occurring target sequences may comprise or consist of sequence variations or mutations, chimeric sequences, exogenous sequences, heterologous sequences, chimeric sequences, recombinant sequences, sequences comprising a modified or synthetic nucleotide or any combination thereof.

**[0202]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a target sequence of an RNA molecule binds to a guide RNA of the disclosure.

**[0203]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a target sequence of an RNA molecule binds to a first RNA binding protein of the disclosure.

**[0204]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a target sequence of an RNA molecule binds to a second RNA binding protein of the disclosure.

#### ***RNA Molecules***

**[0205]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, an RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises a target sequence. In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises at least one target sequence. In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises one or more target sequence(s). In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises two or more target sequences.

**[0206]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, an RNA molecule of the disclosure is a naturally occurring RNA molecule. In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure is a non-naturally occurring molecule. Exemplary non-naturally occurring RNA molecules may comprise or consist of sequence variations or mutations, chimeric sequences, exogenous sequences, heterologous sequences, chimeric sequences, recombinant sequences, sequences comprising a modified or synthetic nucleotide or any combination thereof.

**[0207]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, an RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises or consists of a sequence isolated or derived from a virus.

**[0208]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, an RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises or consists of a sequence isolated or derived from a prokaryotic organism. In some embodiments, an RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises or consists of a sequence isolated or derived from a species or strain of archaea or a species or strain of bacteria.

**[0209]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, the RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises or consists of a sequence isolated or derived from a eukaryotic organism. In some embodiments, an RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises or consists of a sequence isolated or derived from a species of protozoa, parasite, protist, algae,

fungi, yeast, amoeba, worm, microorganism, invertebrate, vertebrate, insect, rodent, mouse, rat, mammal, or a primate. In some embodiments, an RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises or consists of a sequence isolated or derived from a human.

**[0210]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, the RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises or consists of a sequence derived from a coding sequence from a genome of an organism or a virus. In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises or consists of a primary RNA transcript, a precursor messenger RNA (pre-mRNA) or messenger RNA (mRNA). In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises or consists of a gene product that has not been processed (e.g. a transcript). In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises or consists of a gene product that has been subject to post-transcriptional processing (e.g. a transcript comprising a 5' cap and a 3' polyadenylation signal). In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises or consists of a gene product that has been subject to alternative splicing (e.g. a splice variant). In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises or consists of a gene product that has been subject to removal of non-coding and/or intronic sequences (e.g. a messenger RNA (mRNA)).

**[0211]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, the RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises or consists of a sequence derived from a non-coding sequence (e.g. a non-coding RNA (ncRNA)). In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises or consists of a ribosomal RNA. In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises or consists of a small ncRNA molecule. Exemplary small RNA molecules of the disclosure include, but are not limited to, microRNAs (miRNAs), small interfering (siRNAs), piwi-interacting RNAs (piRNAs), small nucleolar RNAs (snoRNAs), small nuclear RNAs (snRNAs), extracellular or exosomal RNAs (exRNAs), and small Cajal body-specific RNAs (scaRNAs). In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises or consists of a long ncRNA molecule. Exemplary long RNA molecules of the disclosure include, but are not limited to, X-inactive specific transcript (Xist) and HOX transcript antisense RNA (HOTAIR).

**[0212]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, the RNA molecule of the disclosure contacted by a composition of the disclosure in an intracellular space.

In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure contacted by a composition of the disclosure in a cytosolic space. In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure contacted by a composition of the disclosure in a nucleus. In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure contacted by a composition of the disclosure in a vesicle, membrane-bound compartment of a cell, or an organelle.

**[0213]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, the RNA molecule of the disclosure contacted by a composition of the disclosure in an extracellular space. In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure contacted by a composition of the disclosure in an exosome. In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure contacted by a composition of the disclosure in a liposome, a polymersome, a micelle or a nanoparticle. In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure contacted by a composition of the disclosure in an extracellular matrix. In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure contacted by a composition of the disclosure in a droplet. In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure contacted by a composition of the disclosure in a microfluidic droplet.

**[0214]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises or consists of a single-stranded sequence. In some embodiments, the RNA molecule of the disclosure comprises or consists of a double-stranded sequence. In some embodiments, the double-stranded sequence comprises two RNA molecules. In some embodiments, the double-stranded sequence comprises one RNA molecule and one DNA molecule. In some embodiments, including those wherein the double-stranded sequence comprises one RNA molecule and one DNA molecule, compositions of the disclosure selectively bind and, optionally, selectively cut the RNA molecule.

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**[0215]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a nuclease domain. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein binds RNA in a manner in which it associates with RNA. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein associates with RNA in a manner in which it cleaves RNA.

**[0216]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase.

**[0217]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase1. In some embodiments, the RNase1 protein comprises or consists of:

KESRAKKFQRQHMDSDSSPSSSTYCNQMMRRNMTQGLCKPVNTFVHEPLVDVQNV  
CFQEKTCKNGQGNCYKSNSSMHITDCRLTNGSRYPNCAYRTSPKERHIIVACEGSPYV  
PVHFDASVEDST (SEQ ID NO: 20).

**[0218]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase4. In some embodiments, the RNase4 protein comprises or consists of:

QDGMYQRFLRQHVHPEETGGSDRYCDLMMQRRKMTLYHCKRFNTFIHEDIWNIRSICS  
TTNIQCKNGKMNCHEGVVKVTDCRDTGSSRAPNCRYRAIASTRRVVIACEGNPQVPVH  
FDG (SEQ ID NO: 21).

**[0219]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase6. In some embodiments, the RNase6 protein comprises or consists of:

WPKRLTKAHWFEIQHQIQQPSPLQCNRAMSGINNYTQHCKHQNTFLHDSFQNVAAVCDLL  
SIVCKNRHNCHQSSKPVNMTDCRLTSGKYPQCRYSAAAQYKFFIVACDPPQKSDPPYK  
LVPVHLDLIL (SEQ ID NO: 22).

**[0220]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase7. In some embodiments, the RNase7 protein comprises or consists of:

APARAGFCPLLLLLLGLWVAEIPVSAKPKGKGMTSSQWFKIQHMQPSPQACNSAMKNINK  
HTKRCKDLNTFLHEPFSSVAATCQTPKIACKNGDKNCHQSHGPVSLTMCKLTSGKYPNC  
RYKEKRQNKSYVVACKPPQKKDSQQFHLVPVHLDRLV (SEQ ID NO: 23).

**[0221]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase8. In some embodiments, the RNase8 protein comprises or consists of:

TSSQWFKTQHVQPSPQACNSAMSIINKYTERCKDLNTFLHEPFSSVAITCQTPNIACKNSC  
KNCHQSHGPMSLTMGELTSGKYPNCRYKEKHLNTPYIVACDPPQQGDPGYPLVPVHLD  
KVV (SEQ ID NO: 24).

**[0222]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase2. In some embodiments, the RNase2 protein comprises or consists of:

KPPQFTWAQWFETQHINMTSQQCTNAMQVINNYQRRCKNQNTFLTTFANVVNVCGN  
PNMTCPSNKTRKNCHHGSQVPLIHCNLTPSPQNISNCRYAQTPANMFYIVACDNRDQ  
RRDPPQYPVVPVHLDRII (SEQ ID NO: 25).

**[0223]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase6PL. In some embodiments, the RNase6PL protein comprises or consists of:

DKRLRDNHEWKLIMVQHWPETVCEKIQNDCRDPPDYWTIHLWPDKSEGCNRSPWF  
NLEEKKNWMEITDSSLPSPSMGPAPPRWMRSTPRRSTLAEAWNSTGWSWTSTGGCALPP  
AALPSGDLCCRPSLTAGSRGVGVDLTALHQLLHVHYSATGIPEECSEPTKPFQIILHHDH  
TEWVQSIGMPIWGTISSESAAIGKNEESQPACAVLSHDS (SEQ ID NO: 26).

**[0224]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNaseL. In some embodiments, the RNaseL protein comprises or consists of:

AAVEDNHLLIKAVQNEDVDLVQQLLEGGANVNQEEEGGWTPHLNAVQMSREDIVEL  
LLRHGADPVLRKKNGATPFILAAIASVKdLLKLFLSKGADVNECDFYGFATFMEAAYV  
GKVALKFLYKRGANVNLLRKTKEDQERLRKGATAALMDAAEKGHVEVLKILLDEM  
GADVNA CDNMGRNALIHALLSSDDSDVEAITHLLLHDHGADVNRGERGKTPLILA  
KHLGLVQRLLQEHIIEINTDSDGKTALLA VELKLKKIAELLCKRGASTDCGDLVMTA  
RRNYDHSLVKVLLSHGAKEDFHPPAEDWKPQSSHWAALKDLHRIYRPMIGKLKFFID  
EKYKIADTSEGGIYLGFYEKQEVAVKTCEGS PRAQREV SCLQSSRENSHLVTFGSESH  
RGHLFVCVTLCEQTLEACLDVHRGEDVENEDEFARNVLSSIFKAVQELHLSCGYTHQD  
LQPQNILIDS KKA AHL ADFDKSIKWAGDPQE VKRD LEDLGRLVLYVVKKGSISFEDLKA  
QSNEEVVQLSPDEETKDLIHRLFHPGEHVRDCLSDLLGH PFFWTWESRYRTLNVGNES  
DIKTRKSESEI RL LQPGPSEHSKSF DKWTTKINECVMKKMNKFYEKRGNFYQNTVGDL  
LK FIRNLGEHIDEEKHKKMKLKIGDPSLYFQKTFPDLVIYVYTKLQNTEYRKHFPQTHSP  
NKPQCDGAGGA SGLASPGC (SEQ ID NO: 27).

**[0225]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNaseT2. In some embodiments, the RNaseT2 protein comprises or consists of:

VQHWPETVCEKIQNDCRDPPDYWTIHLWPDKSEGCNRSPFNLEEKDLLPEMRAYW  
PDVIHSFPNRSRFWKHEWEKHGTCAAQVDALNSQKKYFGRSLELYRELDLNSVLLKLG  
KPSINYYQVADFKDALARVYGVIPKIQCLPPSQDEEVQTIGQIELCLTKQDQQQLQNCTEP  
GEQPSPKQE VW LANGAAESRGLRV CEDGPVFYPPP KKT KH (SEQ ID NO: 28).

**[0226]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase11. In some embodiments, the RNase11 protein comprises or consists of:

EASESTMKIIKEEFTDEEMQYDMAKSGQEKTIEILMNPILLVKNTSLSMSKDDMSSTLL

TFRSLHYNDPKGNSSGNDKECCNDMTVWRKVSEANGSCKWSNNFIRSSTEVMRRVHR  
APSCKFVNPGISCCESLEENTVCQFTTGKQFPRCQYHSVTSLEKILTVLTGHSLMSWL  
VCGSKL (SEQ ID NO: 29).

**[0227]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNaseT2-like. In some embodiments, the RNaseT2-like protein comprises or consists of:  
XLGGADKRLRDNHEWKKLIMVQHWPETVCEKIQNDCRDPDYWTIHLWPDKSEGNC  
RSWPFNLEEIKDLLPEMRAYWPDVIHSFPNRSRFWKHEWEKGTCAAQVDALNSQKKY  
FGRSLEYRELDLNSVLLKLGKPSINYYQTTEEDLNLDVEPTTEDTAEEVTIHVLLHSAL  
FGEIGPRRW (SEQ ID NO: 30).

**[0228]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated RNase.

**[0229]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(K41R)) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the Rnase1(K41R) polypeptide comprises or consists of:

KESRAKKFQRQHMDSDSSPSSSTYCNQMMRRRNMTQGRCRPVNTFVHEPLVDVQNV  
CFQEKTCKNGQNCYKSNSSMHITDCRLTNGSRYPNCAVRTSPKERHIIIVACEGSPYV  
PVHFDASVEDST (SEQ ID NO: 116).

**[0230]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(K41R, D121E)) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the Rnase1 (Rnase1(K41R, D121E)) polypeptide comprises or consists of:

KESRAKKFQRQHMDSDSSPSSSTYCNQMMRRRNMTQGRCRPVNTFVHEPLVDVQNV  
CFQEKTCKNGQNCYKSNSSMHITDCRLTNGSRYPNCAVRTSPKERHIIIVACEGSPYV  
PVHFEASVEDST (SEQ ID NO: 117).

**[0231]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(K41R, D121E, H119N)) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the Rnase1 (Rnase1(K41R, D121E, H119N)) polypeptide comprises or consists of:

KESRAKKFQRQHMDSDSSPSSSTYCNQMMRRRNMTQGRCRPVNTFVHEPLVDVQNV  
CFQEKTCKNGQNCYKSNSSMHITDCRLTNGSRYPNCAVRTSPKERHIIIVACEGSPYV  
PVNFEASVEDST (SEQ ID NO: 118).

**[0232]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(H119N)) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the Rnase1 (Rnase1(H119N)) polypeptide comprises or consists of:

KESRAKKFQRQHMDSDSSPSSSSTYCNQMMRRRNMTQGRCKPVNTFVHEPLVDVQNV  
CFQEKTCKNGQGNCYKSNSSMHITDCRLTNGSRYPNCAVRTSPKERHIIVACEGSPYV  
PVNFDASVEDST (SEQ ID NO: 119).

**[0233]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D, H119N)) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the Rnase1 (Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D, H119N)) polypeptide comprises or consists of:

KESRAKKFQRQHMDSDSSPSSSSTYCNQMMRRRNMTQGDCKPVNTFVHEPLVDVQNV  
CFQEKTCKDGQGNCYKSNSSMHITDCRLTADSDYPNCAVRTSPKERHIIVACEGSPYV  
PVNFDASVEDST (SEQ ID NO: 120). In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D, H119N)) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the Rnase1 (Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D, H119N, K41R, D121E)) polypeptide comprises or consists of:

KESRAKKFQRQHMDSDSSPSSSSTYCNQMMRRRNMTQGDCKPVNTFVHEPLVDVQNV  
CFQEKTCKDGQGNCYKSNSSMHITDCRLTADSDYPNCAVRTSPKERHIIVACEGSPYV  
PVNFEASVEDST (SEQ ID NO: 121).

In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D, H119N)) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the Rnase1 (Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D)) polypeptide comprises or consists of:

KESRAKKFQRQHMDSDSSPSSSSTYCNQMMRRRNMTQGDCKPVNTFVHEPLVDVQNV  
CFQEKTCKDGQGNCYKSNSSMHITDCRLTADSDYPNCAVRTSPKERHIIVACEGSPYV  
PVHFDASVEDST (SEQ ID NO: 122).

In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1 (R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D, H119N, K41R, D121E)) polypeptide that comprises or consists of:

KESRAKKFQRQHMDSDSSPSSSTYCNQMMRRNMTQGDCRPVNTFVHEPLVDVQNV  
CFQEKTCKDGQGNCYKSNSSMHITDCRLTADSDYPNCAYRTSPKERHIIVACEGSPYV  
PVNFEASVEDST (SEQ ID NO: 208).

**[0234]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a NOB1 polypeptide. In some embodiments, the NOB1 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

APVEHVVADAGAFLRHAALQDIGKNIYTIREVVTEIRDKATRRRLAVLPYELRFKEPLPE  
YVRLVTEFSKKTGDYPSLSATDIQLALTYQLEAEFGVGSHLKQEPQKVVKVSSSIQHPET  
PLHISGFHLPYKPQKPPQETEKGHSACEPENLEFSSFMWRNPLPNIDHELQELLIDRGEDV  
PSEEEEEEEENGFEDRKDDSDDDGGGWITPSNIKQIQQELEQCDVPEDVRVGCLTTDFAM  
QNVLLQMGLHVLA VNGMLIREARSYILRCHGCFKTTSDMSRVFCSHCGNKLKKSVT  
V (SEQ ID NO: 31).

**[0235]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an endonuclease. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an endonuclease V (ENDOV). In some embodiments, the ENDOV protein comprises or consists of:

AFSGLQRVGGVDVSFVKGDSVRACASLVVLSFPELEVYYEESRMVSLTAPYVSGFLAFR  
EVPFLLELVQQLREKEPGLMPQVLLVDGNGVLHHRGFGVACHLGVLTDLPCVGVAKKL  
LQVDGLENNALHKEKIRLLQTRGDSFPLLGDSGTVLGMALRSHDRSTRPLYISVGHMS  
LEAAVRLTCCCCRFRIPEPVRQADICSREHIRKS (SEQ ID NO: 32).

**[0236]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an endonuclease G (ENDOG). In some embodiments, the ENDOG protein comprises or consists of:  
AELPPVPGGPRGPGLAKYGLPGLAQLKSRESYVLCYDPRTRGALWVVEQLRPERLRG  
DGDRRECDFREDDSVHAYHRATNADYRGSGFDRGHLAAAANHRWSQKAMDDTFYLS  
NVAPQVPHLNQNAAWNNLKEYSRSLTRS YQNVYVCTGPLFLPRTEADGKSYVKYQVIGK  
NHVAVPTHFFKVLILEAAGGQIELRTYVMPNAPVDEAIPLERFLVPIESIERASGLLFVPNI  
LARAGSLKAITAGSK (SEQ ID NO: 33).

**[0237]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an endonuclease D1 (ENDOD1). In some embodiments, the ENDOD1 protein comprises or

consists of:

RLVGEEEAGFGECDKFFYAGTPPAGLAADSHVKICQRAEGAERFATLYSTRDRIPVYSA  
FRAPRPAPGGAEQRWLVEPQIDDPNSNLEEAINEAEAITSVNSLGSQALNTDYLDSDYQ  
RGQLYPFSLSSDVQVATFTLTNSAPMTQSFQERWYVNLHSLMDRALTPQCGSGEDLYIL  
TGTVPSDYRVKDKVAVPEFWLAACCAVPGGGWAMGFVKHTRDSDIIEDVMVKDLQ  
KLLPFNPQLFQNNCGETEQDTEKMKKILEVVNQIQDEERMVQSQKSSSPLSSTRSKRSTL  
LPPEASEGSSSFLGKLMGFIATPFIKLQLIYYLVVAILKNIVYFLWCVTKQVINGIESCLY  
RLGSATISYFMAIGEELVSIPWKVLKVVAKVIRALLRILCCLKAICRVLSIPVRVLVDVA  
TFPVYTMGAIPIVCKDIALGLGGTVSLLFDTAGTLGGLFQVVFSVCKRIGYKVTFDNSG  
EL (SEQ ID NO: 34).

**[0238]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Human flap endonuclease-1 (hFEN1). In some embodiments, the hFEN1 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

MGIQGLAKLIADVAPS AIRENDIKSYFGRKVAIDASMSIYQFLIAVRQGGDVLQNEEGET  
TSHLMGMFYRTIRMMENGIKPVYVFDGKPPQLKSGELAKRSERRAEAKQLQQAQAAAG  
AEQEVEKFTKRLVKVTQKHND ECKHLLSLMGIPYLDAPSEAEASCAALVKAGK VYAAA  
TEDMDCLTFGSPVLMRH LTASEAKKLPIQEFHLSRILQELGLNQE QFVDLCILLGSDYCE  
SIRGIGPKRAVDLIQKHK SIEEIVRRLDPNKYPVPENWLHKEAHQLFLEPEVLDPE SVELK  
WSEPNEEELIKFMCGEKQFSEERIRSGVKRLSKSRQGSTQGR LDDFFKVTGSLSSAKRKE  
PEPKGSTKKAKTGAAGKF KRGK (SEQ ID NO: 35).

**[0239]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a DNA repair endonuclease XPF (ERCC4) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the ERCC4 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

MESGQPARRIAMAPLLEYERQLVLELLTDGLVVCARGLGADRLLYHFLQLHCHPACL  
VLVLNTQPAEEEYFINQLKIEGVEHLPRRV TNEITSNSRYEVYTQGGVIFATS RILVVDFL  
TDRIPSDLITGILVYRAHRIIESCQEAFILRLFRQKNKRGFIKAFTDNA VAFDTGFCHVERV  
MRNLFVRKLYLWPRFHVA VNSFLEQHKPEVVEIHVSMTPTMLAIQTAILDILNA CLKEL  
KCHNPSLEVEDLSLENAIGKPF DKTIRHYLDPLWHQLGAKTKSLVQDLKILRTLLQYLSQ  
YDCVTFLNLLES LRATEKAFGQNSGWLF L DSSTS MFINARARVYHLPDAKMSKKEKISE  
KMEIKEGE GEGILWG (SEQ ID NO: 124).

**[0240]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an Endonuclease III-like protein 1 (NTHL) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the NTHL polypeptide comprises or consists of:

CSPQESGMTALSARMLTRSRLGPGAGPRGCREEGPLRRREAAAEARKSHSPVKRPRK  
AQRLRVAYEGSDSEKGEAEPLKVPVWEPQDWQQQLVNIRAMRNKKDAPVDHLGTEH  
CYDSSAPPKVRRYQVLLSMLSSQTKDQVTAGAMQRLRARGLTVD SILQTDDATLGKLI  
YPVGFWRSKV KYIKQTSAI LQQHYGGDIPASVAELVALPGVGPKMAHLAMA VAWGTV  
SGIAVDTHVHRIANRLRWTKKATKSPEETRAALEEWLPRELWHEINGLLVGFGQQTCLP  
VHPRCHACLNQALCPAAQGL (SEQ ID NO: 123).

**[0241]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a human Schafen 14 (hSLFN14) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the hSLFN14 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

ESTHVEFKRFTTKVIPRIKEMPHYVSAFANTQGGYVLIGVDDKSKEVVGCKWEKVNP  
DLLKKEIENCIEKLPTFHFCCEKPVNFTTKILNVYQKDVLGYVCVIQVEPFCCVVFAE  
APDSWIMKDNSVTRLTAEQWVVMMLDTQSAPP SLVTDYN SCLISSASSARKSPGYP IKV  
HKFKEALQ (SEQ ID NO: 36).

**[0242]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a human beta-lactamase-like protein 2 (hLACTB2) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the hLACTB2 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

TLQGTNTYLVGTGPRRIILDGEPAIPEYISCLKQALTEFNTAIQEIVVTHWHRDHSGGIG  
DICKSINNDTTYCICKKLPRNPQREIIIGNGEQQYVYLKGDVIKTEGATLRVLYTPGHTD  
DHMALLLEENAI FSGDCILGEGTTVFEDLYDYMNSLKELLKIKADIYPGHGPVIHNAE  
AKIQQYISHRNIREQQILTFLFRENFEKSFTVMELVKIIYKNTPENLHEMAKHNL LHLKKL  
EKEGKIFSNTDPDKKWKAHL (SEQ ID NO: 37).

**[0243]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an apurinic/apyrimidinic (AP) endodeoxyribonuclease (APEX) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an apurinic/apyrimidinic (AP) endodeoxyribonuclease (APEX2) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the APEX2 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

MLRVVSWNINGIRRPLQGVANQEPSNCAAVAVGRILDELDADIVCLQETKVTRDALTEP

LAI<sup>1</sup>VEGYNSYFSFSRNRSGYSGVATFCKDNATPVAAEGLSGLFATQNGDVG<sup>2</sup>CYGNMD  
EFTQEELRALDSEGRALLTQHKIRTWEGKEKTLTLINVYCPHADPGRPERLVFKMRFYR  
LLQIRAEALLAAGSHVIILGDLNTAHRPIDHWDAVNLECFEEDPGRKWMDSLLSNLGCQ  
SASHVGPFI<sup>3</sup>DSYRCFQPKQEGAFTCWSAVT<sup>4</sup>GARHLNYGSRLDYVLGDRTLVIDTFQASF  
LLPEVMGSDHCPVGA<sup>5</sup>VSSVPAKQCPLCTRFLPEFAGTQLKILRFLVPLEQSPVLEQ  
STLQHNNQTRVQTCQNKAQVRSTRPQPSQVGSSRGQKNLKS<sup>6</sup>YFQPSPSCPQASPDIELPS  
LPLMSALMTPKTPEEKAVAKVVKGQAKTSEAKDEKELRTSFWSVLAGPLRTPLCGGH  
REPCVMRTVKKPGPNLGR<sup>7</sup>FYM<sup>8</sup>CARPRGPPTDPSSRCNFFLWSRPS (SEQ ID NO: 38).

**[0244]** In some embodiments, the APEX2 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

MLRVVSWNINGIRRPLQGVANQEPSNCAA VAVGRILDELDADIVCLQETKVTRDALTEP  
LAI<sup>1</sup>VEGYNSYFSFSRNRSGYSGVATFCKDNATPVAAEGLSGLFATQNGDVG<sup>2</sup>CYGNMD  
EFTQEELRALDSEGRALLTQHKIRTWEGKEKTLTLINVYCPHADPGRPERLVFKMRFYR  
LLQIRAEALLAAGSHVIILGDLNTAHRPIDHWDAVNLECFEEDPGRKWMDSLLSNLGCQ  
SASHVGPFI<sup>3</sup>DSYRCFQPKQEGAFTCWSAVT<sup>4</sup>GARHLNYGSRLDYVLGDRTLVIDTFQASF  
LLPEVMGSDHCPVGA<sup>5</sup>VSSVPAKQCPLCTRFLPEFAGTQLKILRFLVPLEQSP (SEQ ID NO: 39).

**[0245]** In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an apurinic or apyrimidinic site lyase (APEX1) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the APEX1 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

PKRGKKGAVAEDGDEL RTEPEAKKS<sup>1</sup>KTA<sup>2</sup>AKKNDKEAAGEGPALYEDPPDQKTSPSGKP  
ATLKICSWNV<sup>3</sup>DGLRAWIKKKGLDWVKEEAPDILCLQETKCSENKLPAELQELPGLSHQ  
YWSAPS<sup>4</sup>DKEGYSGV<sup>5</sup>GLLSRQCPLKVSYGIGDEEH<sup>6</sup>DQEGRVIVAEFDSFVLVTAYVPNAG  
RGLVRLEYRQRWDEAFRKFLKG<sup>7</sup>ASRKPLVLCGDLNVAHEEIDL<sup>8</sup>RNPKG<sup>9</sup>NKKNAGFTP  
QERQGFGE<sup>10</sup>LLQAVPLADSFRHLYPNTPYAYTFWTYMMNARS<sup>11</sup>SKNVGWR<sup>12</sup>LDYFLLS  
(SEQ ID NO: 125).

**[0246]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an angiogenin (ANG) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the ANG polypeptide comprises or consists of:

QDNSRYTHFLTQHYDAKPQGRDDRYCESIMRRGLTSPCKDINTFIHGNKRSIKAICENK

NGNPHRENLRISKSSFQVTTCKLHGGSPWPPCQYRATAGFRNVVVACENGLPVHLDQSI  
FRRP (SEQ ID NO: 40).

**[0247]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a heat responsive protein 12 (HRSP12) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the HRSP12 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

SSLIRRVISTAKAPGAIGPYSQAVLVDRTIYISGQIGMDPSSGQLVSGGVAEEAKQALKN  
MGEILKAAGCDFTNVVKTTVLLADINDFNTVNEIYKQYFKSNFPARAAYQVAALPKGS  
RIEIEAVAIQGPLTTASL (SEQ ID NO: 41).

**[0248]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Zinc Finger CCCH-Type Containing 12A (ZC3H12A) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the ZC3H12A polypeptide comprises or consists of:

GGGTPKAPNLEPPLPEEEKEGSDLRPVIDGSNVAMSHGNKEVFSCRGILLAVNWFLER  
GHTDITVFVPSWRKEQPRPDVPITDQHILRELEKKKILVFTPSRRVGGKRVVCYDDRFIV  
KLA YESDGIVVSNDTYRDLQGERQE WKRFIEERLLMYSFVNDKFMPDDPLGRHGPSLD  
NFLRK KPLTLE (SEQ ID NO: 42).

**[0249]** In some embodiments, the ZC3H12A polypeptide comprises or consists of:

SGPCGEKPVL EASPTMSLWEFEDSHSRQGT PRPGQELAAE EASALELQMKVDFFRKLGY  
SSTEIHSVLQKLG VQADTNTVLGELVKHGTATERERQTSPDPCPQLPLVPRGGTPKAP  
NLEPPLPEEEKEGSDLRPVIDGSNVAMSHGNKEVFSCRGILLAVNWFLERGHTDITVFV  
PSWRKEQPRPDVPITDQHILRELEKKKILVFTPSRRVGGKRVVCYDDRFIVKLA YESDG  
VVSNDTYRDLQGERQE WKRFIEERLLMYSFVNDKFMPDDPLGRHGPSLDNFLRK KPL  
TLEHRKQPCPYGRKCTYGIKCRFFHPERPSCPQRSVADEL RAN ALLSPPRAPS KDKNGRR  
PSPSSQSSLLTESEQCSLDGKKLGAQASPGSRQEGLTQTYAPSGRSLAPSGGSGSSFGPT  
DWLPQTLDLSPYVSQDCLDSGIGSLESQMSELWGV RG GGPGE PGPPR A PYTG YSPYGSE  
LPATAAFSAFGRAMGAGHFSVPADYPPAPPAPFPPREYWSEPYPLPPPTSVLQEPPVQSPG  
AGRSPWGRAGSLAKEQASVYTKLCGVFPPHLVEAVMGRFPQLLDPQQLAAEILSYKSQ  
HPSE (SEQ ID NO: 43).

**[0250]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Reactive Intermediate Imine Deaminase A (RIDA) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the RIDA polypeptide comprises or consists of:

SSLIRR VISTA KAPGAIGPYSQAVLVDRTIYISGQIGMDPSSQLVSGVAEEAKQALKN  
MGEILKAAGCDFTNVVKTTVLLADINDFNTVNEIYKQYFKSNFPARAAYQVAALPKGS  
RIEIEAVAIQGPLTTASL (SEQ ID NO: 44).

**[0251]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Phospholipase D Family Member 6 (PDL6) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the PDL6 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

EALFFPSQVTCTEALLRAPGAE LAELPEGCPCGLPHGESALSRLLAARASLDLCLF  
AFSSPQLGRAVQLLHQRGVRVRVVTDCDYMALNGSQIGLLRKAGIQVRHDQDPGYMH  
HKFAIVDKRVLITGSLNWTTQAIQNNRENVLITEDDEYVRLFLEEFERIWEQFNPTKYTF  
FPPKKSHGSCAPPVS RAGGRLLSWHRTCGTSSESQT (SEQ ID NO: 126).

**[0252]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mitochondrial ribonuclease P catalytic subunit (KIAA0391) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the KIAA0391 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

KARYKTLEPRGY SLLIRGLIHSDRWREALLLEDIKK VITPSKKNYNDI QGALLHQDVN  
TAWNLYQELLGH DIVPMLET LKAFFDFGKDIKDDNYSNKLLDILSYLRNNQLYPGESFA  
HSIKTW FESVPGKQWKGQFTTVRKSGQCS GCGKTIESIQLSPEEYECLKGKIMRDVIDGG  
DQYRKTTPQELKRFENFIKS RPPFDV VIDGLNVAKMFPKVRESQLLN VSQLAKRNLR  
LLVLGRKHMLRRSSQWSRDEMEEVQKQASCFFADDISEDDPFL YATLHS GNHCRFITR  
DLMRDHKACLPDAKTQRLFFKWQQGHQLAIVNRFGSKLT FQRILSYDTVQTTGDSW  
HIPYDEDLVERCSCEVPTKWLCLHQKT (SEQ ID NO: 127).

**[0253]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an argonaute 2 (AGO2) polypeptide.

In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the AGO2 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

SVEPMFRHLKNTYAGLQLVVVILPGKTPVYAEVKRVGDTVLGMATQCVQMKNVQRTT  
PQTLSNLCLKINVKLGGVNNILLPQGRPPVFQQPVIFLGADVTHPPAGDGKKPSIAAVVG  
SMDAHPNRYCATVRVQQHRQEIIQDLAAMVRELLIQFYKSTRFKPTRIIFYRDGVSEGQF  
QQVLHH ELLAIREACIKLEKD YQPGITFIVVQKRHHTRLFCTDKNERVGKSGNIPAGTTV  
DTKITHPT EFDYLC SHAGIQGTSRPSHYHVLWDDNRFSSDELQILTYQLCHTYVRCTRS

VSIPAPAYAHLVAFRARYHLVDKEHDSAEGSHTSGQSNGRDHQALAKAVQVHQDTL  
RTMYFA (SEQ ID NO: 128).

**[0254]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mitochondrial nuclease EXOG (EXOG) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the EXOG polypeptide comprises or consists of:

QGAEGALTGKQPDGSAEKAVLEQFGFPLTGTEARCYTNHALSYDQAKRVP RWVLEHIS  
KSKIMGDADRKHCKFKPDPNIPPTFSAFNEDYVGSGWSRGHMAPAGNNKFSSKAMAET  
FYLSNIVPQDFDNNSGYWNRIMYCRLTERFEDVVVSGPLTPQTRGDGKKIVSYQV  
IGEDNVAVPSHL YKVILARRSSVSTEPLALGAFVVPNEAIGFQPQLTEFQVSLQDLEKLSG  
LVFFPHLDRTSDIRNICSVDTCKLLDFQEFTLYLSTRKIEGARSVLREKIMENLKNAEIEP  
DDYFMSRYEKKLEELKAKEQSGTQIRKPS (SEQ ID NO: 129).

**[0255]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Zinc Finger CCH-Type Containing 12D (ZC3H12D) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the ZC3H12D polypeptide comprises or consists of:

EHPSKMEFFQKLGYDREDVLRVLGKLGE GALVNDVLQELIRTGSRPGALEHPAAPRLVP  
RGSCGV PDSAQRGP GTALEEDFRTLASSLRPIVIDGSNVAMSHGNKETFSCRGIKLAVD  
WFRDRGHTYIKVFVPSWRKDPPRADTPIREQHVLAEERQAVLVYTPSRKVHGKRLVC  
YDDRYIVKVA YE QDGIVSNDNYRDLQSENPEWKWFIEQRLLMFSFVNDRFMPPDDPL  
GRHGPSLSNFLSRKP KPPEPSWQHCPYGGKCTYGIKCKFYHPERPHAAQLAVADELRAK  
TGARPGAGAEEQRPPRAPPGSAGARAAPREPFAHSLPPARGSPDLAALRGFSR LAFSD  
DLGPLGPPLPV PACSLTPRLGGPDWVSAGGRVPGPLSLPSPE SFSPGDLPPPGLQLQPR  
GEHRPRDLHG DLLSPRRPPDDPWARP PRSDRFPGRSVWAEPAWGDGATGGLSVYATED  
DEGDARARARIALYSVFP RDQVDRVMAAFPELSDLARLILLVQRCQSAGAPLGKP (SEQ  
ID NO: 130).

**[0256]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an endoplasmic reticulum to nucleus signaling 2 (ERN2) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the ERN2 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

RQQQPQVVEKQQETPLAPADFAHISQDAQSLHSGASRRSQKRLQSPSKQAQPLDDPEAE  
QLTVVGKISFNPKDVLGRGAGGTFVFRGQFEGRAVAVKRL REC FGLVRREVQLQES  
DRHPNVLR YFCTERGPQFHYIALELCRASLQEYVENPDLD RGGLEPEVVLQQLMSG LAH

LHSLHIVHRDLKPGNILITGPDSQGLGRVVLSDFLCKKLPGRCFSLHSGIPGTEGWM  
APELLQLLPPDSPTSAVDIFSAGCVFYYVLSGGSHPGDSL YRQANILT GAPCLAHLEEV  
HDKVVARDLVGAML SPLPQPRPSAPQVLAHPFFWSRAKQLQFFQDVSDWLEKESEQEP  
LVRALEAGGCAVVRDNWHEHISMPLQTDLRKFRSYKGTSVRDLLRAVRNKKHHYREL  
PVEVRQALGQVPDGFVQYFTNRFPRLLLHTHRAMRSCASESLFLPYYPDSEARRPCPG  
ATGR (SEQ ID NO: 131).

**[0257]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a pelota mRNA surveillance and ribosome rescue factor (PELO) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the PELO polypeptide comprises or consists of:

KLVRKNIEKDAGQVTLVPEEPEDMWHTYNLVQVGDSLRASTIRKVQTESSTGSVGSN  
RVRTTLCVEAIDFDSQACQLRVKGTNIQENEYVKMGA YHTIELEPNRQFTLAKKQW  
DSVVLERIEQACDPAWSADVAAVVMQEGLAHICLVTSPMTLTRAKVEVNIPRKRKGNC  
SQHDRALERFYEQVVQAIQRHIHFDVVKCILVASPGFVREQFCDYLFQQAVKTDNKLLL  
ENRSKFLQVHASSGHKYSKLEALCDPTVASRLSDTKAAGEVKALDDFYKMLQHEPDRA  
FYGLKQVEKANEAMAIDTLLISDELFRHQDVATRSRYVRLVDSVKENAGTVRIFSSLHV  
SGEQLSQLTGVAAILRFPVPELSDQEGDSSSEED (SEQ ID NO: 132).

**[0258]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a YBEY metallopeptidase (YBEY) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the YBEY polypeptide comprises or consists of:

SLVIRNLQRVIPIRRAPLRSKIEIVRRILGVQKFDLGIICVDNKNIQHINRIYRDRNVPTDVL  
SFPFHEHLKAGEFPQPDPDDYNLGDIFLGVEYIFHQCKENEDYNDVLTATHGCHLL  
GFTHGTEAEWQQMFQKEKAVLDELGRRTGTRLQPLTRGLFGGS (SEQ ID NO: 133).

**[0259]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a cleavage and polyadenylation specific factor 4 like (CPSF4L) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the CPSF4L polypeptide comprises or consists of:

QEVIAGLERFTAFEKDVEMQKGTGLPFQGMDKSASAVCNFFTGLCEKGKLCFPRH  
DRGEKMKVVKHWLRLCKGDHCKFLHQYDLTRMPECYFYSKFGDCSNKECSFLHV  
PAFKSQDCPWYDQGFCKDGPLCKYRHVPRIMCLNYLVGFCPEGPKCQFAQKIREFKLLP  
GSKI (SEQ ID NO: 134).

**[0260]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an hCG\_2002731 polypeptide. In some embodiments, the hCG\_2002731 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

KLVRKNIEKDAGQVTLVPEEPEDMWHTYNLVQVGDSLRASTIRKVQTESSTGSVGSN  
RVRTTLCVEAIDFDSQACQLRVKGTVIQENEYVKMGAYHTIELEPNRQFTLAKKQW  
DSVVLERIEQACDPAWSADVAAVVMQEGLAHICLVTPSMLTRAKVEVNIPRKRKGNC  
SQHDRALERFYEQVVQAIQRHIHFDVVKCILVASPGVREQFCDYMFQQAVKTDNKLLL  
ENRSKFLQVHASSGHKYSLKEALCDPTVASRLSDTKAAGEVKALDDFYKMLQHEPDRA  
FYGLKQVEKANEAMAIDTLISDELFRHQDVATRSRYVRLVDSVKENAGTVRIFSSLHV  
SGEQLSQLTGVAAILRFPVPELSDQEGDSSSEED (SEQ ID NO: 135).

**[0261]** In some embodiments, the hCG\_2002731 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

DPAWSADVAAVVMQEGLAHICLVTPSMLTRAKVEVNIPRKRKGNC SQHDRALERFYEQVVQAIQRHIHFDVVKCILVASPGVREQFCDYMFQQAVKTDNKLLLENRSKFLQVHAS  
SGHKYSLKEALCDPTVASRLSDTKAAGEVKALDDFYKMLQHEPDRAFYGLKQVEKAN  
EAMAIDTLISDELFRHQDVATRSRYVRLVDSVKENAGTVRIFSSLHVSGEQLSQLTGVA  
AILRFPVPELSDQEGDSSSEED (SEQ ID NO: 136).

**[0262]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an Excision Repair Cross-Complementation Group 1 (ERCC1) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the ERCC1 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

MDPGKDKEGVPQPSGPARKFVIPLDEDEVPPGVRGNPVLKFVRNVPWEFGDVIPDYV  
LGQSTCALFLSLRYHNLHPDYIHGRLQSLGKNFALRVLLVQVDVKDPQQALKELAKMC  
ILADCTLILAWSPEEAGRYLETYKAYEQKPADLLMEKLEQDFVSRVTECLTTVKSVNKT  
DSQTLLTTFGSLEQLIAASREDLALCPGLGPQK (SEQ ID NO: 137).

**[0263]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a ras-related C3 botulinum toxin substrate 1 isoform (RAC1) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the RAC1 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

KESRAKKFQRQHMDSSPSSSTYCNQMMRRRNMTQGRCKPVNTFVHEPLVDVQNV  
CFQEKTCKNGQGNCYKSNSM HITDCRLTNGSRYPNCAYRTSPKERHIIIVACEGSPYV  
PVHFDASVEDST (SEQ ID NO: 138).

**[0264]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Ribonuclease A A1 (RAA1) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the RAA1 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

QDNSRYTHFLTQHYDAKPQGRDDRYCESIMRRGLTSPCKDINTFIHGNKRSIKAICENK  
NGNPHRENLRISKSSFQVTTCKLHGGSPWPPCQYRATAGFRNVVVACENGLPVHLDQSI  
FRRP (SEQ ID NO: 139).

**[0265]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Ras Related Protein (RAB1) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the RAB1 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

GLGLVQPSYGQDGMYQRFLRQHVHPEETGGSDRYCNLMMQRRKMTLYHCKRFNTFIH  
EDIWNIRSICSTTNIQCKNGKMNCHEGVVKVTDCRDTGSSRAPNCRYRAIASTRRVVIAC  
EGNPQVPVHFDG (SEQ ID NO: 140).

**[0266]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a DNA Replication Helicase/Nuclease 2 (DNA2) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the DNA2 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

XSAVDNILLKLAKFKIGFLRLGQIQKVHPAIQQFTEQEICRSKSIKSLALLEELYNSQLIVA  
TTCMGINHPIFSRKIFDFCIVDEASQISQPICLGPLFFSRRFVLVGDHQQLPPLVLNREARA  
LGMSESLFKRLEQNKSAAVQLTVQYRMNSKIMSLSNKLTYEGKLECGSDKVANAVINL  
RHFKDVKLELFYADYSDNPWLMGVFEPNNPVCFNLNTDKVPAPEQVEKGGVSNVTEA  
KLIVFLTSIFVKAGCSPSDIGIIAPYRQQLKIINDLLARSIGMVEVNTVDKYQGRDKSIVLV  
SFVRSNKDGTVGELLKDWRRLNAITRAKHKLILLGCVPSLNCYPPLERKLLNHLNSEKLI  
SFFFCIWSHLIALL (SEQ ID NO: 141).

**[0267]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a FLJ35220 polypeptide. In some embodiments, the FLJ35220 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

MALRSHDRSTRPLYISVGHRMSLEAAVRLTCCCCRFRIPEPVRQADICSREHIRKSLGLP  
GPPTPRSPKAQRPVACPKGDSGESSALC (SEQ ID NO: 142).

**[0268]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a FLJ13173 polypeptide. In some embodiments, the FLJ13173 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

CYTNHALSYDQAKRVPRWVLEHISKSIMGDADRKHCKFKPDPNIPPTSAFNEDYVGS  
GWSRGHMAPAGNNKFSSKAMAETFYLSNIVPQDFDNNSGYWNRRIEMYCRLTERFEDV  
WVVGPLTPQTRGDGKKIVSYQVIGEDNVAVPSHLYKVILARRSSVSTEPLALGAFVV  
PNEAIGFQPQLTEFQVSLQDLEKLSQLVFFPHLDRT (SEQ ID NO: 143).

**[0269]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of Teneurin Transmembrane Protein (TENM) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of Teneurin Transmembrane Protein 1 (TENM1) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the TENM1 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

TVSQMTSVLNGKTRRFADIQLQHGALCFNIRYGTVEEEKNHVLEIARQRAVAQAWT  
KEQRRLQEGERGIRAWTEGEKQQLLSTGRVQGYDGYFVLSEQYLELSDSANNIHFM  
QSEIGRR (SEQ ID NO: 144).

In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of Teneurin Transmembrane Protein 2 (TENM2) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the TENM2 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

TVSQPTLLVNGKTRRFNTIEFQYSTLLSIRYGLTPDTLDEEKARVLDQARQRALGTAW  
AKEQQKARDGREGSRLWTEGEKQQLLSTGRVQGYEGYYVLPVEQYPELADSSNIQFL  
RQNEMGKR (SEQ ID NO: 145).

In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Ribonuclease Kappa (RNaseK) polypeptide. In some embodiments, the RNaseK polypeptide comprises or consists of:

MGWLRPGPRPLCPPARASWAFAHSRFPSPAPRRSPTPFFMASLLCCGPKLAACGIVLSA  
WGVIMLIMLGIFFNVHSAVLIEDVPFTEKDFENGQPQNIYNLYEQVSYNCFIAAGLYLLL  
GFSFCQVRLNKRKEYMVR (SEQ ID NO: 204).

**[0270]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a transcription activator-like effector nuclease (TALEN) polypeptide or a nuclease domain thereof. In some embodiments, the TALEN polypeptide comprises or consists of:

1 MRIGKSSGWL NESVSLEYEH VSPPTRPRDT RRRPRAAGDG GLAHLHRRLA VGYAEDTPRT  
61 EARSPAPRRP LPVAPASAPP APSLVPEPPM PVSLPAVSSP RFSAGSSAAI TDPFPSLPPT  
121 PVLYAMAREL EALSDATWQP AVPLPAEPPT DARRGNTVFD EASASSPVIA SACPQAFASP  
181 PRAPRSARAR RARTGGDAWP APTFLSRPSS SRIGRDVFGK LVALGYSREQ IRKLKQESLS

241 EIAKYHTTLT GQGFTHADIC RISRRRQSLR VVARNYPELA AALPELTRAH IVDIARQRSG  
 301 DLALQALLPV ATALTAAPLR LSASQIATVA QYGERPAIQA LYRLRRKLTR APLHLTPQQV  
 361 VAIASNTGGK RALEAVCVQL PVLRAAPYRL STEQVVVAIAS NKGGKQALEA VKAHLLDLLG  
 421 APYVLDTEQV VAIASHNGGK QALEAVKADL LDLRGAPYAL STEQVVVAIAS HNGGKQALEA  
 481 VKADLLELRG APYALSTEQV VAIASHNGGK QALEAVKAHL LDLRGVPYAL STEQVVVAIAS  
 541 HNGGKQALEA VKAQLLDLRG APYALSTAQV VAIASNGGGK QALEGIGEQL LKLRTAPYGL  
 601 STEQVVVAIAS HDGGKQALEA VGAQLVALRA APYALSTEQV VAIASNKGK QALEAVKAQL  
 661 LELRGAPYAL STAQVVAIAS HDGGNQALEA VGTQLVALRA APYALSTEQV VAIASHDGGK  
 721 QALEAVGAQL VALRAAPYAL NTEQVVVAIAS SHGGKQALEA VRALFPDLRA APYALSTAQL  
 781 VAIASNPGGK QALEAVRALF RELRAAPYAL STEQVVVAIAS NHGGKQALEA VRALFRGLRA  
 841 APYGLSTAQV VAIASSNGGK QALEAVWALL PVLRATPYDL NTAQIVVAIAS HDGGKPALEA  
 901 VWAKLPVLRG APYALSTAQV VAIACISGQQ ALEAIEAHMP TLRQASHSLS PERVAAIACI  
 961 GGRSAVEAVR QGLPVKAIRR IRREKAPVAG PPPASLGPTP QELVAVLHFF RAHQQPQAF  
 1021 VDALAAFQAT RPALLRLLSS VGVTEIEALG GTIPDATERW QRLLGRLGFR PATGAAAPSP  
 1081 DSLQGFAQSL ERTLGSPGMA GQSACSPHRK RPAETAIAPR SIRRSPNNAG QPSEPWPDQL  
 1141 AWLQRRKRTA RSHIRADSAA SVPANLHLGT RAQFTPDRLR AEPGPIMQAH TSPASVSGFS  
 1201 HVAFEPGLPD PGTPTSADLA SFEAEPFGVG PLDFHLDWLL QILET (SEQ ID NO: 205) .

In some embodiments, the TALEN polypeptide comprises or consists of:

1 mdpirsrtps parellpgpq pdrvqptadr ggappaggpl dg1parrtms rtrlpssppap  
 61 spafsagsfs dllrqfdpsl ldtsslldsmo avgtphaaa paecdevqsg lraaddpppt  
 121 vrvavtaarp prakpaprrr aaqpsdaspa aqvdlrtlgy sqqqqekikp kvgstvaqh  
 181 ealvghgft ahivalsrhp aalgtvavky qdmiaalpea thedivgvk qwsgaralea  
 241 lltvagelrg pplqltdtgql vkiakrggvt aveavhasrn altgaplnlt paqvaiasn  
 301 nggkqaletv qrllpvlcqa hgltpaqvva iashdggkqa letmqrllpv lcqahglppd  
 361 qvvaiasnig gkqaletvqr llpvlcqahg ltpdqvvai shggkqale tvqrllpvlc  
 421 qahgltpdqv vaiashdgkq qaletvqrl pvlcqahglt pdqvaiasn gggkqaletv  
 481 qrllpvlcqa hgltpdqvva iasnggkqal etvqrllpvl cqahgltpdqv vviaashdg  
 541 kqaletvqrl lpvcqthgl tpaqvaiasn hdggkqale vqqlpvlcq ahgltpdqv  
 601 aiasniggkq alatvqrlp vlcqahglp dqvvaiasn gkqaletvq rllpvlcqah  
 661 gltpdqvavai asnngggkqal etvqrllpvl cqahgltpq vviaasnigg kqaletvqrl  
 721 lpvcqahgl tpaqvaiasn hdggkqale vqrllpvlcq ahgltpdqv vviaasniggk  
 781 aletvqrlp vlcqahglp eqvaiasnng gkqaletvq rllpvlcqah gltpdqv  
 841 asnngggkqal etvqrllpvl cqahgltpa vviaasnigg kqaletvqrl lpvcqdhhg  
 901 tlaqvaiasn niggkqale vqrllpvlcq ahgltdqvv aiasniggkq aletvqrlp  
 961 vlcqdhhglp dqvvaiasnng gkqaletvq rllpvlcqdh gltdqvvai asnngggkqale  
 1021 tvqrllpvlc qdhgltpdqv vaiasnsggk qaletvqrl pvcqdhhglp pnqvvaiasn  
 1081 ggkqalesiv aqlsrpdpal aaltnndlva laclggrpam davkglpha pelirrvnrr  
 1141 igertshrv dyaqvvrvle ffqchshpay afdeamtqfg msrnlgvlf rrvgvtelea  
 1201 rggtlppasq rwdrilqasg mkrakpspts aqtpdqaslh afadslerdl dapspmhegd  
 1261 qtgassrkr srsdravtgp aqhsfevrp eqrdalhlpl swrvkrptr igggldpdgt  
 1321 piaadlaass tvmweqdaap fagaaddfpa fneelawlm ellpqsgsvg gti (SEQ ID  
 NO: 206) .

**[0271]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists a zinc finger nuclease polypeptide or a nuclease domain thereof. In some embodiments, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a ZNF638 polypeptide or a nuclease domain thereof. In some embodiments, the ZNF638 polypeptide comprises or consists of:

1 MSRPRFNPRG DFPLQRPRAP NPSGMRPPGP FMRPGSMGLP RFYPAGRARG IPHRFAGHES  
 61 YQNMGPQRMN VQVTQHRTDP RLTKEKLDHF EAQQKKKGKPH GSRWDDEPHI SASVAVKQSS

121 VTQVTEQSPK VQSRYTKESA SSILASFGLS NEDLEELSRY PDEQLTPENM PLILRDIRMR  
 181 KMGRRLPNLP SQSRNKETLG SEAVENTVID YGHASKYGYT EDPLEVRIYD PEIPTDEVEN  
 241 EFQSQQNISA SVPNPNVICN SMFPVEDVFR QMDFPGESEN NRSFVSVESG TKMSGLHISG  
 301 GQSVLEPIKS VNQSQINOTVS QTMSQSLIPP SMNQOPFSSE LISSVSQQER IPHEPVINSS  
 361 NVHVGSRGSK KNYQSQADIP IRSPPGIVKA SWLPKFSHAD AQKMKRLPTP SMMNDYYAAS  
 421 PRIFPHLCNL CNVECSHLKD WIQHQNTSTH IESCRQLRQQ YPDWNPEILP SRRNEGRKE  
 481 NETPRRRSHS PSPRRSRRSS SSHRFRRSRS PMHYMYRPRS RSPRICHRFI SRYRSRSRSR  
 541 SPYRIRNPFR GSPKCFRSVS PERMSRRSRV SSDRKKALED VVQRSGHGTE FNKQKHLEAA  
 601 DKGHSPAQKP KTSSGKPSV KPTSATKSDS NLGGHSIRCK SKNLEDDTLS ECKQVSDKAV  
 661 SLQRKLRKEQ SLHYGSVLLI TELPEDGCTE EDVRKLFQPF GKVNVDLIVP YRKEAYLEME  
 721 FKEAITAIMK YIETTPLTIK GKSVKICVPG KKAKAQNKEVK KKTLESKKVS ASTLKRDADA  
 781 SKAVEIVTST SAAKTGQAKA SVAVKVNKSTG KSASSVKSVV TVAVKGNKAS IKTAKSGKK  
 841 SLEAKKTGNV KNKDSNKPVT IPENSEIKTS IEVKATENCA KEAISDAALE ATENEPLNKE  
 901 TEEMCVMLVS NLPNKGYSVE EVYDLAKPFG GLKDILILSS HKKAYIEINR KAAESMVKY  
 961 TCFPVLMDDGN QLSISMAPEN MNIKDEEAIF ITLVKENDPE ANIDTIYDRF VHLDNLPEDG  
 1021 LQCVLVCVGLQ FGKVDHHVFI SNRNKAILQL DSPESAQSMY SFLQNPQNI GHMLTCCLS  
 1081 PKIDLPEVQI EHDPELEKES PGLKNSPIDE SEVQTATDSP SVKPNELEEE STPSIQTETL  
 1141 VQQEEPCEEE AEKATCDSDF AVETLELETQ GEEVKEEIPL VASASVSIEQ FTENAEECAL  
 1201 NQQMFNSDLE KKGAEIINPK TALLPSDSVF AEERNLKGIL EESPSEAEDF ISGITQTMVE  
 1261 AVAEVEKNET VSEILPSTCI VTLVPGIPTG DEKTVDKNNI SEKKGNMDEK EEKEFNTKET  
 1321 RMDLQIGTEK AEKNEGRMDA EKVEKMAAMK EKPAENTLFK AYPNKGVGQA NKPDETSKTS  
 1381 ILAVSDVSSS KPSIKAVIVS SPKAKATVSK TENQKSFPKS VPRDQINAEK KLSAKEFGLL  
 1441 KPTSARSGLA ESSSKFKPTQ SSLTRGGSGR ISALQGKLSK LDYRDITKQS QETEARPPSIM  
 1501 KRDDSNNKTL AEQNTKNPKS TTGRSSKSKE EPLFPFNLD FVTVDEVIEE VNPSQAKQNP  
 1561 LKGKRKETLK NVPFSENLK KKKGKTSTPR GVEGELSFTV LDEIGEEEDA AAHLAQALVT  
 1621 VDEVIDEEL NMEEMVKNSN SLFTLDELID QDDCISHSEP KDTVTVLSVAE EQDLLKQERL  
 1681 VTVDEIGEVE ELPLNESADI TFATLNTKGN EGDTVRDSIG FISSQVPEDP STLTVDEIQ  
 1741 DDSSDLHLVT LDEVTEEDED SLADFNKLKE ELNFVTVDEV GEEEDGDNDL KVELAQSKND  
 1801 HPTDKKGNRK KRAVDTKTK LESLSQVGPV NENVMEEDLK TMIERHLTAK TPTKRVRIKG  
 1861 TLPSEKAVVT EPAKGEAEQ MSEVDEESGL KDSEPERKRK KTEDSSSGKS VASDVPEELD  
 1921 FLVPKAGFFC PICSLFYSGE KAMTNHCKST RHKQNTKEFM AKQRKEKEQN EAEERSSR  
 (SEQ ID NO: 207) .

**[0272]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a PIN domain derived from the human SMG6 protein, also commonly known as telomerase-binding protein EST1A isoform 3, NCBI Reference Sequence: NP\_001243756.1. In some embodiments, the PIN from hSMG6 is used herein in the form of a Cas fusion protein and as an internal control, for example, and without limitation, see Figure 9, which shows PIN-dSauCas9, PIN-dSauCas9dHNH, PIN-dSPCas9, and dcjeCas9-PIN.

**[0273]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the composition further comprises (a) a sequence comprising a gRNA that specifically binds within an RNA molecule and (b) a sequence encoding a nuclease. In some embodiments, a nuclease comprises a sequence isolated or derived from a CRISPR/Cas protein. In some embodiments, the CRISPR/Cas protein is isolated or derived from any one of a type I, a type IA, a type IB, a type IC, a type ID, a type IE, a type IF, a type IU, a type III, a type IIIA, a type IIIB, a type IIIC, a type IID, a type IV, a

type IVA, a type IVB, a type II, a type IIA, a type IIB, a type IIC, a type V, or a type VI CRISPR/Cas protein .In some embodiments, a nuclease comprises a sequence isolated or derived from a TALEN or a nuclease domain thereof. In some embodiments, a nuclease comprises a sequence isolated or derived from a zinc finger nuclease or a nuclease domain thereof.

### Fusion Proteins

**[0274]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, the composition comprises a sequence encoding a target RNA-binding fusion protein comprising (a) a sequence encoding a first RNA-binding polypeptide or portion thereof; and (b) a sequence encoding a second RNA-binding polypeptide, wherein the first RNA-biding polypeptide binds a target RNA, and wherein the second RNA-binding polypeptide comprises RNA-nuclease activity.

**[0275]** In some embodiments, a target RNA-binding fusion protein is an RNA-guided target RNA-binding fusion protein. RNA-guided target RNA-binding fusion proteins comprise at least one RNA-binding polypeptide which corresponds to a gRNA which guides the RNA-binding polypeptide to target RNA. RNA-guided target RNA-binding fusion proteins include without limitation, RNA-binding polypeptides which are CRISPR/Cas-based RNA-binding polypeptides or portions thereof.

**[0276]** In some embodiments, a target RNA-binding fusion protein is not an RNA-guided target RNA-binding fusion protein and as such comprises at least one RNA-binding polypeptide which is capable of binding a target RNA without a corresponding gRNA sequence. Such non-guided RNA-binding polypeptides include, without limitation, at least one RNA-binding protein or RNA-binding portion thereof which is a PUF (Pumilio and FBF homology family). This type RNA-binding polypeptide can be used in place of a gRNA-guided RNA binding protein such as CRISPR/Cas. The unique RNA recognition mode of PUF proteins (named for Drosophila Pumilio and C. elegans fem-3 binding factor) that are involved in mediating mRNA stability and translation are well known in the art. The PUF domain of human Pumilio1, also known in the art, binds tightly to cognate RNA sequences and its specificity can be modified. It contains eight PUF repeats that recognize eight consecutive RNA bases with each repeat recognizing a single base. Since two amino acid side chains in each repeat recognize the Watson-Crick edge of the

corresponding base and determine the specificity of that repeat, a PUF domain can be designed to specifically bind most 8-nt RNA. *Wang et al., Nat Methods.* 2009; 6(11): 825-830. See also WO2012/068627 which is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

**[0277]** In some embodiments of the non-guided RNA-binding fusion proteins of the disclosure, the fusion protein comprises at least one RNA-binding protein or RNA-binding portion thereof which is a PUMBY (Pumilio-based assembly) protein. RNA-binding protein PumHD (Pumilio homology domain, a member of the PUF family), which has been widely used in native and modified form for targeting RNA, has been engineered to yield a set of four canonical protein modules, each of which targets one RNA base. These modules (*i.e.*, Pumby, for Pumilio-based assembly) can be concatenated in chains of varying composition and length, to bind desired target RNAs. The specificity of such Pumby–RNA interactions is high, with undetectable binding of a Pumby chain to RNA sequences that bear three or more mismatches from the target sequence. *Katarzyna et al., PNAS,* 2016; 113(19): E2579-E2588. See also US 2016/0238593 which is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

**[0278]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, the first RNA binding protein comprises a Pumilio and FBF (PUF) protein. In some embodiments, the first RNA binding protein comprises a Pumilio-based assembly (PUMBY) protein. In some embodiments, a PUF1 protein of the disclosure comprises or consists of the amino acid sequence of

MDKSKQMNIN NLSNIPEVID PGITIPIYEE EYENNGESNS QLQQQPQKLG SYRSRAGKFS	60
NTLSNLLPSI SAKLHHSKKN SHGKNGAEFS SSNNSSQSTV ASKTPRASPS RSKMMESSID	120
GVTMDRPGSL TPPQDMEKLV HFPDSSNNFL IPAPRGSSDS FNLPHQISRT RNNTMSSQIT	180
SISSIAPKPR TSSGIWSSNA SANDPMQQHL LQQLQPTTSN NTTNSNTLND YSTKTAYFDN	240
MVSTSGSOMA DNKMNTNNLA IPNSVWSNTR ORSQSNASSI YTDAPLYEQP ARASISSHYT	300
IPTQESPLIA DEIDPQSINW VTMDPTVPSI NQISNLLPTN TISISNVFPL QHQQPQLNNA	360
INLTSTSLAT LCSKYGEVIS ARTLRNLNMA LVEFSSVESA VKALDSLQGK EVSMIGAPSK	420
ISFAKILPMH QQPPQFLLNS QGLPLGLENN NLQPQPLLQE QLFNGAVTFQ QQGNVSIPVF	480
NQQSQSQSQHQ NHSSGSAGFS NVLHGYNNNN SMHGNNNNSA NEKEQCFFPL PPPNVNEKED	540
LLREIIELFE ANSDEYQINS LIKKSLNHKG TSDTQNFGPL PEPLSGREFD PPKLRELRLKS	600
IDSNAFSDLE IEQLAIAMLD ELPPELSSDYL GNTIVQKLFE HSSDIIKDIM LRKTSKYLTS	660
MGVHKNGTWA CQKMITMAHT PRQIMQVTQG VKDYCTPLIN DQFGNYVIQC VLKFGFPWNQ	720
FIFESIIIANF WVIVQNRYGA RAVRACLEAH DIVTPEQSIV LSAMIVTYAE YLSTNSNGAL	780
LVTWFLDTSV LPNRHSILAP RLTKRIVELC GHRLASLTIL KVLYNRYGDDN ARKIILDSLF	840
GNVNAHDSSP PKELTKLCE TNYGPTFVHK VIAMPLLEDD LRAHIIKQVR KVLTDSTQIQ	900
PSRRLLEEVG LASPSSTHNK TKQQQQQHHN SSISHMFATP DTSGQHMRGL SVSSVKSGGS	960
KHTTMNTTTT NGSSASTLSP GQPLNANSNS SMGYFSYPGV FPVSGFSGNA SNGYAMNNDD	1020
LSSQFDMLNF NNGTRLSLPQ LSLTNHNNNTT MELVNNVGSS QPHTNNNNNN NNTNYNDDNT	1080
VFETLTLHSA N	1091

(SEQ ID NO: 209).

In some embodiments, a PUF3 protein of the disclosure comprises or consists of the amino acid sequence of

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1 MEMNMDMDMD MELASIVSSL SALSHSNNG GQAAAGIVN GGAAGSQQIG GFRRSSFTTA
61 NEVDSEILLL HGSSESSPIF KKTALSVGTA PPFSTNSKLF FGNGGNYYQY RSTDTASLSS
121 ASYNNYHTHH TAANLGKNNK VNHLGQYSA SIAGPVYYNG NDNNNSGGEG FFEKFGKSLI
181 DGTRELESQD RPDAVNTQSQ FISKSVSNAS LDTQNTFEQN VESDKNFNKL NRNTTNSGSL
241 YHSSNSNGSS ASLESENAY PKRNIWNVAN TPVFRPSNPN AAVGATNVAL PNQODGPANN
301 NFPPYMNGFP PNQFHQGPHY QNFPNYLIGS PSNFISQMIS VQIPANEDTE DSNGKKKKKA
361 NRPSSVSSPS SPPNNSPFPF AYPNPMFMFPP PPLSAPQQQ QQQQQQQQQE DQQQQQQQEN
421 PYIYYPTPNP IPVVKMPKDEK TFKKRNNKNH PANNSNNAK QANPYLENSI PTKNTSKNA
481 SSKSNESTAN NHKSHSHSHP HSQSLQQQQ TYHRSPLLEQ LRNSSSDKNS NSNMSLKDF
541 GHSLEFCKDQ HGSRFIQREL ATSPASEKEV IFNEIRDDAI ELSNDVFGNY VIQKFFEFGS
601 KIQKNTLVDQ FKGNMKQLSL QMYACRVIQK ALEYIDSNQR IELVLELSDS VLQMIKDQNG
661 NHVIQKAIET IPIEKLPFIL SSLTGHYIHL STHSYGCRVI QRLLEFGSSE DQESILNELK
721 DFIPYLIQDQ YGNYVIQYVL QDQFTNREM VDIKQEIIET VANNVEYSK HKFASNVEK
781 SILYGSKNQK DLIISKILPR DKNHALNLED DSPMILMIKD QFANYVIQKL VNVSEGECKK
841 LIVIAIRAYL DKLNSNSLG NRHLASVEKL AALVENAEV (SEQ ID NO: 210). In some

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embodiments, a PUF4 protein of the disclosure comprises or consists of the amino acid sequence of

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1 MSTKGKKEEI DDVPSVDPVV SETVNSALEQ LQLDDPEENA TSNAFANKVS QDSQFANGPP
61 SQMFFHPQMM GGMGFMPYSQ MMQVPHNPCP FFPPPFDNPD TAPLSSSPN AGGPPMLFKN
121 DSLPFQMLSS GAAVATQGGQ NLNPLINDNS MKVLPIASAD PLWTHSNVPG SASVAIEETT
181 ATLQESLPSK GRESNNKASS FRRQTFHALS PTDLINAANN VTLSKDFQSD MQNFSKAKKP
241 SVGANNTAKT RTQSIISFDNT PSSTSFIPIP NSVSEKLSDF KIETSKEDELI NKTAPAKKES
301 PTTYGAAYPY GGPLLQPNNPI MPGPHPHNISS PIYGIRSPFP NSYEMGAQFQ PFSPILNPTS
361 HSLNANSPIP LTQSPIHLAP VLNPPSSNSVA FSDMKNDGGK PTTDNDKAGP NVRMDLINPN
421 LGPSMQPFHI LPPQQNTFPP PWLYSTPPPF NAMVPPHLA QNHMPFLMNSA NNKHHGRNNN
481 SMSSHNDNDN IGNSNNYNNKD TGRSNVGKMK NMKNSYHGYY NNNNNNNNNN NNNNNNSNATN
541 SNSAEKQRKI EESSRFADAV LDQYIGSIHS LCKDQHGCRF LQKQLDILGS KAADAIFEET
601 KDYTVELMTD SFGNYLIQKL LEEVTTEQRI VLTKIISPHF VEISLNPHTG RALQKLIECI
661 KTDEEAQIVV DSLRPYTVQL SKDLNGNHWI QKCLQRLKPE NFQFIFDAIS DSCIDIATHR
721 HGCCVQLQRCL DHGTTEQCDN LCDKLLALVD KLTLDPFGNY VVQYIITKEA EKNKYDYTHK
781 IVHLLKPRAI ELSIHKFGSN VIEKILKTAI VSEPMILEIL NNGGETGIQS LLNDSYGNVY
841 LQTALEDISHK QNDYLYKRLS EIVAPLLVGP IRNTPHGKRI IGMHLDS (SEQ ID NO:
211).

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In some embodiments, a PUF5 protein of the disclosure comprises or consists of the amino acid sequence of

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1 MSDSTGRINS KASDSSSISD HQTADLSIFN GSFDGGAFSS SNIPLFNFMG TGNQRQFYQSP
61 HPEAKSSDPC RLAALTPSTP KGPNLTPAD FGLADFSVGN ESFADFTANN TSFVGVNQSN
121 VRSTRLLPAW AVDNGNIRD DLTLQDVVSN GSLIDFAMDR TGVKFLERHF PEDHDNEMHF
181 VLFDKITEQG AVFTSLCRSA AGNFIIQKFV EHATLDEQER LVRKMCNDGL IEMCLDKFAC
241 RVVQMSIQKF DVSIAMKLVE KISSLDFLPL CTDQCAIHVL QKVVKLLPIS AWSFFVKFLC
301 RDDNLMTVCQ DKYGCRLVQQ TIDKLSDNPK LHCFNTRLQL LHGLMTSVAR NCFRLLSNEF
361 ANYVVQYVIK SSGVMEMYRD TIIEKCLLRN ILSMSQDKYA SHVVEGAFLF APPLLLSEMM
421 DEIFDGYVKD QETNRDALDI LLFHQYGNVY VQQMISICIS ALLGKEERKM VASEMRLYAK
481 WFDRIKNRVN RHSGRLERFS SGKKIIESLQ KLNVPMTMTN EPMPYWAMPT PLMDISAHFM
541 NKLNFKNSV FDE (SEQ ID NO: 212). In some embodiments, a PUF6 protein of

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the disclosure comprises or consists of the amino acid sequence of

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1 MTPNRRSTDS YNMLGASEDF DPDFSLLSNK THKNKNPKPP VKLLPYRHGS NTTSSDLDNY
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61 IFNSGSGSSD DFTPPPAPI FISLEEVLLN GLLIDFAIDP SGVKFLEAN Y PLDSEDQIRK  
 121 AVFEKLTEST TLFVGLCHSR NGNFIVQKLV ELATPAEQRE LLRQMIDGGL LVMCKDKFAC  
 181 RVVQLALQKF DHSNVFQLIQ ELSTFDLAAM CTDQISIHWI QRVVKQLPVD MWTFFVHFLS  
 241 SGDSLMAVCQ DKYGCRLVQQ VIDRLAENPK LPCFKFRIGL LHSLSMTICVR NCYRLSSNEF  
 301 ANYVIQYVIK SSGIMEMYRD TIIDKCLLRN LLSMSQDKYA SHVIEGAFLF APPALLHEMM  
 361 EEIFSGYVKD VELNRDALDI LLFHQYGNV VQQMISICTA ALIGKEERQL PPAIILLYSG  
 421 WYEKMKQRVL QHASRLERFS SGKKIIDSVM RHGVPTAAAI NAQAAPSLME LTAQFDAMFP  
 481 SFLAR (SEQ ID NO: 213). In some embodiments, a PUF7 protein of the

disclosure comprises or consists of the amino acid sequence of

1 MTPNRRSTD S YNMLGASFDF DPDFSLLSNK THKNKNPKPP VKLLPYRHGS NTTSSDSDSY  
 61 IFNSGSGSSD AETPAPVAPI FISLEEVLLN GQLIDFAIDP SGVKFLEAN Y PLDSEDQIRK  
 121 AVFEKLTEST TLFVGLCHSR NGNFIVQKLV ELATPAEQRE LLRQMIDGGL LAMCKDKFAC  
 181 RVVQLALQKF DHSNVFQLIQ ELSTFDLAAM CTDQISIHWI QRVVKQLPVD MWTFFVHFLS  
 241 SGDSLMAVCQ DKYGCRLVQQ VIDRLAENPK LPCFKFRIGL LHSLSMTICVR NCYRLSSNEF  
 301 ANYVIQYVIK SSGIMEMYRD TIIDKCLLRN LLSMSQDKYA SHVIEGAFLF APPALLHEMM  
 361 EEIFSGYVKD VESNRDALDI LLFHQYGNV VQQMISICTA ALIGKEEREL PPAIILLYSG  
 421 WYEKMKQRVL QHASRLERFS SGKKIIDSVM RHGVPTAAAV NAQAAPSLME LTAQFDAMFP  
 481 SFLAR (SEQ ID NO: 214). In some embodiments, a PUF8 protein of the

disclosure comprises or consists of the amino acid sequence of

1 MSRPISIGN T CTFDPSASPI ESLGRSIGAQ KIVDSVC GSP IRSYGRHIST NPKNERLPDT  
 61 PEFQFATYMH QGGKVIGQNT LHMFGTPPSC YCAQENIPIS SNVGHVLSTI NNNYMNHQYN  
 121 GSNMFSNQMT QMLQAQAYND LQMHQAHSQS IRVPVQPSAT GIFSNPYREP TTTDDLLTRY  
 181 RANPAMMKNL KLSDIRGALL KFAKDQVGSR FIQQELASK DRFEKDSIFD EVVNADELV  
 241 DDIFGNYVVQ KFFEYGEERH WARLVDAILD RVPEYAFQMY ACRVHQKALE KINEPLQIKI  
 301 LSQIRHVIHR CMKDQNQNHV VQKAIEKVSP QYVQFIVDTL LESSNTIYEM SVDPYGCRVV  
 361 QRCLEHCSPS QTKEVIGQIH KRFDEIANNQ YGNYVVQHVI EHGSEEDRMV IVTRVSNNLF  
 421 EFATHKYSSN VIEKCLEQGA VYHKSMIVGA ACHHQEGSVP IIVVQMMKDQY ANYVVQKMF  
 481 QVTSEQRREL ILTVRPHIPV LRQFPHGKHI LAKLEKYFQK PAVMSYPYQD MQGSH (SEQ

ID NO: 215). In some embodiments, a PUF9 protein of the disclosure comprises or consists of the amino acid sequence of

1 MADPNWAYAP PTNYYADHSI AKPIMISGGH PSQDQGHSPK SESFGQSVTT AFNGMVNDLV  
 61 GSPSSSVQQR NYFTTTPFPI SRSPNDRNDD KIMGNGSYGV PIPIPQDGVP QGTPDFQMTP  
 121 FLQQGGHLIG GSPNGPVQVS GNWYSGGAGI FSTMQQADPS NGMPGMAAEF VNNENGMPGP  
 181 NGMHQQAMIS GSPPFYQNM MNLTTSFGAM GLGPQQIQQR DPQMFQQPIL HEPHQGMAQN  
 241 GFGQQVFFTQ MQNQQHPQGQ AQQQLQQLAQ QHQQQQQNSQQ FFGQGPNGMG NGGMVNDWSQ  
 301 RSFGMPQQQA QONGLPPNFS QNPPRERRGPE DPNGQTPKTL QDIKNNVIEF AKDQHGSRFI  
 361 QQKLERASLR DKAIAITPVL ENAAEELMTDV FGNYVIQKFF EFGNNEQRNQ LVGTIRGNVM  
 421 KLALQMYGCR VIQKALEYVE EKYQHEILGE MEGQVLKCVK DQNGNHVIQK VIERVEPERL  
 481 QFIIDAFTKN NSDNVYTLSV HPYGCVRVIQR VLEYCNEEQK QPVLDALQIH LKQLVLDQY  
 541 NYVIQHVIEH GSPSDKEQIV QDVISDDLK FAQHKFASNV IEKCLTFGGH AERNLIIDKV  
 601 CGDPNDPSPP LLQMMKDPFA NYVVQKMLDV ADPQHRKKIT LTIKPHIATL RKYNFGKHIL  
 661 LKLEKYFAKQ APANSSNSSS NDQIYEHSPF DIPLGADFSN HPF (SEQ ID NO:

216).

**[0279]** In some embodiments of the compositions of the disclosure, at least one of the RNA-binding proteins or RNA-binding portions thereof is a PPR protein. PPR proteins (proteins with pentatricopeptide repeat (PPR) motifs derived from plants) are nuclear-encoded and exclusively

controlled at the RNA level organelles (chloroplasts and mitochondria), cutting, translation, splicing, RNA editing, genes specifically acting on RNA stability. PPR proteins are typically a motif of 35 amino acids and have a structure in which a PPR motif is about 10 contiguous amino acids. The combination of PPR motifs can be used for sequence-selective binding to RNA. PPR proteins are often comprised of PPR motifs of about 10 repeat domains. PPR domains or RNA-binding domains may be configured to be catalytically inactive. WO 2013/058404 incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

**[0280]** In some embodiments, the fusion protein disclosed herein comprises a linker between the at least two RNA-binding polypeptides. In some embodiments, the linker is a peptide linker. In some embodiments, the peptide linker comprises one or more repeats of the tri-peptide GGS. In other embodiments, the linker is a non-peptide linker. In some embodiments, the non-peptide linker comprises polyethylene glycol (PEG), polypropylene glycol (PPG), co-poly(ethylene/propylene) glycol, polyoxyethylene (POE), polyurethane, polyphosphazene, polysaccharides, dextran, polyvinyl alcohol, polyvinylpyrrolidones, polyvinyl ethyl ether, polyacryl amide, polyacrylate, polycyanoacrylates, lipid polymers, chitins, hyaluronic acid, heparin, or an alkyl linker.

**[0281]** In some embodiments, the at least one RNA-binding protein does not require multimerization for RNA-binding activity. In some embodiments, the at least one RNA-binding protein is not a monomer of a multimer complex. In some embodiments, a multimer protein complex does not comprise the RNA binding protein. In some embodiments, the at least one of RNA-binding protein selectively binds to a target sequence within the RNA molecule. In some embodiments, the at least one RNA-binding protein does not comprise an affinity for a second sequence within the RNA molecule. In some embodiments, the at least one RNA-binding protein does not comprise a high affinity for or selectively bind a second sequence within the RNA molecule. In some embodiments, the at least one RNA-binding protein comprises between 2 and 1300 amino acids, inclusive of the endpoints.

**[0282]** In some embodiments, the at least one RNA-binding protein of the fusion proteins disclosed herein further comprises a sequence encoding a nuclear localization signal (NLS). In some embodiments, a nuclear localization signal (NLS) is positioned 3' to the RNA binding protein. In some embodiments, the at least one RNA-binding protein comprises an NLS at a C-

terminus of the protein. In some embodiments, the at least one RNA-binding protein further comprises a first sequence encoding a first NLS and a second sequence encoding a second NLS. In some embodiments, the first NLS or the second NLS is positioned 3' to the RNA-binding protein. In some embodiments, the at least one RNA-binding protein comprises the first NLS or the second NLS at a C-terminus of the protein. In some embodiments, the at least one RNA-binding protein further comprises an NES (nuclear export signal) or other peptide tag or secretory signal.

**[0283]** In some embodiments, a fusion protein disclosed herein comprises the at least one RNA-binding protein as a first RNA-binding protein together with a second RNA-binding protein comprising or consisting of a nuclease domain.

**[0284]** In some embodiments, the second RNA-binding polypeptide is operably configured to the first RNA-binding polypeptide at the C-terminus of the first RNA-binding polypeptide. In some embodiments, the second RNA-binding polypeptide is operably configured to the first RNA-binding polypeptide at the N-terminus of the first RNA-binding polypeptide. For example, one such exemplary fusion protein is E99 which is configured so that RNase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R19D, H119N, K41R) is located at the N-terminus of SpyCas9 whereas another exemplary fusion protein, E100, is configured so that RNase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R19D, H119N, K41R) is located at the C-terminus of SpyCas9. See Figure 6.

### *Vectors*

**[0285]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a vector comprises a guide RNA of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the vector comprises at least one guide RNA of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the vector comprises one or more guide RNA(s) of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the vector comprises two or more guide RNAs of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the vector further comprises a fusion protein of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the fusion protein comprises a first RNA binding protein and a second RNA binding protein.

**[0286]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a first vector comprises a guide RNA of the disclosure and a second vector comprises a fusion protein of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the first vector comprises at least one guide RNA of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the first vector comprises one or more guide RNA(s) of the

disclosure. In some embodiments, the first vector comprises two or more guide RNA(s) of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the fusion protein comprises a first RNA binding protein and a second RNA binding protein. In some embodiments, the first vector and the second vector are identical. In some embodiments, the first vector and the second vector are not identical.

**[0287]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, the vector is or comprises a component of a “2-component RNA targeting system” comprising (a) nucleic acid sequence encoding a RNA-targeted fusion protein of the disclosure; and (b) a single guide RNA (sgRNA) sequence comprising: on its 5’ end, an RNA sequence (or spacer sequence) that hybridizes to or binds to a target RNA sequence; and on its 3’ end, an RNA sequence (or scaffold sequence) capable of binding to or associating with the CRISPR/Cas protein of the fusion protein; and wherein the 2-component RNA targeting system recognizes and alters the target RNA in a cell in the absence of a PAMmer. In some embodiments, the sequences of the 2-component system are in a single vector. In some embodiments, the spacer sequence of the 2-component system targets a repeat sequence selected from the group consisting of CUG, CCUG, CAG, and GGGGCC.

**[0288]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a vector of the disclosure is a viral vector. In some embodiments, the viral vector comprises a sequence isolated or derived from a retrovirus. In some embodiments, the viral vector comprises a sequence isolated or derived from a lentivirus. In some embodiments, the viral vector comprises a sequence isolated or derived from an adenovirus. In some embodiments, the viral vector comprises a sequence isolated or derived from an adeno-associated virus (AAV). In some embodiments, the viral vector is replication incompetent. In some embodiments, the viral vector is isolated or recombinant. In some embodiments, the viral vector is self-complementary.

**[0289]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, the viral vector comprises a sequence isolated or derived from an adeno-associated virus (AAV). In some embodiments, the viral vector comprises an inverted terminal repeat sequence or a capsid sequence that is isolated or derived from an AAV of serotype AAV1, AAV2, AAV3, AAV4, AAV5, AAV6, AAV7, AAV8, AAV9, AAV10, AAV11 or AAV12. In some embodiments, the viral vector is replication incompetent. In some embodiments, the viral vector is isolated or recombinant (rAAV). In some embodiments, the viral vector is self-complementary (scAAV).

**[0290]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a vector of the disclosure is a non-viral vector. In some embodiments, the vector comprises or consists of a nanoparticle, a micelle, a liposome or lipoplex, a polymersome, a polyplex or a dendrimer. In some embodiments, the vector is an expression vector or recombinant expression system. As used herein, the term “recombinant expression system” refers to a genetic construct for the expression of certain genetic material formed by recombination.

**[0291]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, an expression vector, viral vector or non-viral vector provided herein, includes without limitation, an expression control element. An “expression control element” as used herein refers to any sequence that regulates the expression of a coding sequence, such as a gene. Exemplary expression control elements include but are not limited to promoters, enhancers, microRNAs, post-transcriptional regulatory elements, polyadenylation signal sequences, and introns. Expression control elements may be constitutive, inducible, repressible, or tissue-specific, for example. A “promoter” is a control sequence that is a region of a polynucleotide sequence at which initiation and rate of transcription are controlled. It may contain genetic elements at which regulatory proteins and molecules may bind such as RNA polymerase and other transcription factors. In some embodiments, expression control by a promoter is tissue-specific. Non-limiting exemplary promoters include CMV, CBA, CAG, Cbh, EF-1a, PGK, UBC, GUSB, UCOE, hAAT, TBG, Desmin, MCK, C5-12, NSE, Synapsin, PDGF, MecP2, CaMKII, mGluR2, NFL, NFH, n $\beta$ 2, PPE, ENK, EAAT2, GFAP, MBP, and U6 promoters. An “enhancer” is a region of DNA that can be bound by activating proteins to increase the likelihood or frequency of transcription. Non-limiting exemplary enhancers and posttranscriptional regulatory elements include the CMV enhancer and WPRE.

**[0292]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, an expression vector, viral vector or non-viral vector provided herein, includes without limitation, vector elements such as an IRES or 2A peptide sites for configuration of “multicistronic” or “polycistronic” or “bicistronic” or tricistronic” constructs, i.e., having double or triple or multiple coding areas or exons, and as such will have the capability to express from mRNA two or more proteins from a single construct. Multicistronic vectors simultaneously express two or more separate proteins from the same mRNA. The two strategies most widely used for

constructing multicistronic configurations are through the use of an IRES or a 2A self-cleaving site. An “IRES” refers to an internal ribosome entry site or portion thereof of viral, prokaryotic, or eukaryotic origin which are used within polycistronic vector constructs. In some embodiments, an IRES is an RNA element that allows for translation initiation in a cap-independent manner. The term “self-cleaving peptides” or “sequences encoding self-cleaving peptides” or “2A self-cleaving site” refer to linking sequences which are used within vector constructs to incorporate sites to promote ribosomal skipping and thus to generate two polypeptides from a single promoter, such self-cleaving peptides include without limitation, T2A, and P2A peptides or sequences encoding the self-cleaving peptides.

**[0293]** In some embodiments, the vector is a viral vector. In some embodiments, the vector is an adenoviral vector, an adeno-associated viral (AAV) vector, or a lentiviral vector. In some embodiments, the vector is a retroviral vector, an adenoviral/retroviral chimera vector, a herpes simplex viral I or II vector, a parvoviral vector, a reticuloendotheliosis viral vector, a polioviral vector, a papillomaviral vector, a vaccinia viral vector, or any hybrid or chimeric vector incorporating favorable aspects of two or more viral vectors. In some embodiments, the vector further comprises one or more expression control elements operably linked to the polynucleotide. In some embodiments, the vector further comprises one or more selectable markers. In some embodiments, the AAV vector has low toxicity. In some embodiments, the AAV vector does not incorporate into the host genome, thereby having a low probability of causing insertional mutagenesis. In some embodiments, the AAV vector can encode a range of total polynucleotides from 4.5 kb to 4.75 kb. In some embodiments, exemplary AAV vectors that may be used in any of the herein described compositions, systems, methods, and kits can include an AAV1 vector, a modified AAV1 vector, an AAV2 vector, a modified AAV2 vector, an AAV3 vector, a modified AAV3 vector, an AAV4 vector, a modified AAV4 vector, an AAV5 vector, a modified AAV5 vector, an AAV6 vector, a modified AAV6 vector, an AAV7 vector, a modified AAV7 vector, an AAV8 vector, an AAV9 vector, an AAV.rh10 vector, a modified AAV.rh10 vector, an AAV.rh32/33 vector, a modified AAV.rh32/33 vector, an AAV.rh43 vector, a modified AAV.rh43 vector, an AAV.rh64R1 vector, and a modified AAV.rh64R1 vector and any combinations or equivalents thereof. In some embodiments, the lentiviral vector is an integrase-competent lentiviral vector (ICLV). In some embodiments, the

lentiviral vector can refer to the transgene plasmid vector as well as the transgene plasmid vector in conjunction with related plasmids (e.g., a packaging plasmid, a rev expressing plasmid, an envelope plasmid) as well as a lentiviral-based particle capable of introducing exogenous nucleic acid into a cell through a viral or viral-like entry mechanism. Lentiviral vectors are well-known in the art (see, e.g., Trono D. (2002) Lentiviral vectors, New York: Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg and Durand et al. (2011) *Viruses* 3(2):132-159 doi: 10.3390/v3020132). In some embodiments, exemplary lentiviral vectors that may be used in any of the herein described compositions, systems, methods, and kits can include a human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) 1 vector, a modified human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) 1 vector, a human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) 2 vector, a modified human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) 2 vector, a sooty mangabey simian immunodeficiency virus (SIV<sub>SM</sub>) vector, a modified sooty mangabey simian immunodeficiency virus (SIV<sub>SM</sub>) vector, a African green monkey simian immunodeficiency virus (SIV<sub>AGM</sub>) vector, a modified African green monkey simian immunodeficiency virus (SIV<sub>AGM</sub>) vector, an equine infectious anemia virus (EIAV) vector, a modified equine infectious anemia virus (EIAV) vector, a feline immunodeficiency virus (FIV) vector, a modified feline immunodeficiency virus (FIV) vector, a Visna/maedi virus (VNV/VMV) vector, a modified Visna/maedi virus (VNV/VMV) vector, a caprine arthritis-encephalitis virus (CAEV) vector, a modified caprine arthritis-encephalitis virus (CAEV) vector, a bovine immunodeficiency virus (BIV), or a modified bovine immunodeficiency virus (BIV).

### ***Nucleic Acids***

**[0294]** Provided herein are the nucleic acid sequences encoding the fusion proteins disclosed herein for use in gene transfer and expression techniques described herein. It should be understood, although not always explicitly stated that the sequences provided herein can be used to provide the expression product as well as substantially identical sequences that produce a protein that has the same biological properties. These “biologically equivalent” or “biologically active” or “equivalent” polypeptides are encoded by equivalent polynucleotides as described herein. They may possess at least 60%, or alternatively, at least 65%, or alternatively, at least 70%, or alternatively, at least 75%, or alternatively, at least 80%, or alternatively at least 85%, or alternatively at least 90%, or alternatively at least 95% or alternatively at least 98%, identical primary amino acid sequence to the reference polypeptide when compared using sequence

identity methods run under default conditions. Specific polypeptide sequences are provided as examples of particular embodiments. Modifications to the sequences to amino acids with alternate amino acids that have similar charge. Additionally, an equivalent polynucleotide is one that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the reference polynucleotide or its complement or in reference to a polypeptide, a polypeptide encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridizes to the reference encoding polynucleotide under stringent conditions or its complementary strand. Alternatively, an equivalent polypeptide or protein is one that is expressed from an equivalent polynucleotide.

**[0295]** The nucleic acid sequences (e.g., polynucleotide sequences) disclosed herein may be codon-optimized which is a technique well known in the art. In some embodiments disclosed herein, exemplary Cas sequences, such as e.g., SEQ ID NO: 46 (Cas13d), are codon optimized for expression in human cells. Codon optimization refers to the fact that different cells differ in their usage of particular codons. This codon bias corresponds to a bias in the relative abundance of particular tRNAs in the cell type. By altering the codons in the sequence to match with the relative abundance of corresponding tRNAs, it is possible to increase expression. It is also possible to decrease expression by deliberately choosing codons for which the corresponding tRNAs are known to be rare in a particular cell type. Codon usage tables are known in the art for mammalian cells, as well as for a variety of other organisms. Based on the genetic code, nucleic acid sequences coding for, e.g., a Cas protein, can be generated. In some embodiments, such a sequence is optimized for expression in a host or target cell, such as a host cell used to express the Cas protein or a cell in which the disclosed methods are practiced (such as in a mammalian cell, e.g., a human cell). Codon preferences and codon usage tables for a particular species can be used to engineer isolated nucleic acid molecules encoding a Cas protein (such as one encoding a protein having at least 80%, at least 85%, at least 90%, at least 92%, at least 95%, at least 96%, at least 97%, at least 98%, at least 99%, or 100% sequence identity to its corresponding wild-type protein) that takes advantage of the codon usage preferences of that particular species. For example, the Cas proteins disclosed herein can be designed to have codons that are preferentially used by a particular organism of interest. In one example, an Cas nucleic acid sequence is optimized for expression in human cells, such as one having at least 70%, at least 80%, at least 85%, at least 90%, at least 92%, at least 95%, at least 98%, or at least

99% sequence identity to its corresponding wild-type or originating nucleic acid sequence. In some embodiments, an isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding at least one Cas protein (which can be part of a vector) includes at least one Cas protein coding sequence that is codon optimized for expression in a eukaryotic cell, or at least one Cas protein coding sequence codon optimized for expression in a human cell. In one embodiment, such a codon optimized Cas coding sequence has at least 80%, at least 85%, at least 90%, at least 92%, at least 95%, at least 96%, at least 97%, at least 98%, at least 99%, or 100% sequence identity to its corresponding wild-type or originating sequence. In another embodiment, a eukaryotic cell codon optimized nucleic acid sequence encodes a Cas protein having at least 85%, at least 90%, at least 92%, at least 95%, at least 96%, at least 97%, at least 98%, at least 99%, or 100% sequence identity to its corresponding wild-type or originating protein. In another embodiment, a variety of clones containing functionally equivalent nucleic acids may be routinely generated, such as nucleic acids which differ in sequence but which encode the same Cas protein sequence. Silent mutations in the coding sequence result from the degeneracy (i.e., redundancy) of the genetic code, whereby more than one codon can encode the same amino acid residue. Thus, for example, leucine can be encoded by CTT, CTC, CTA, CTG, TTA, or TTG; serine can be encoded by TCT, TCC, TCA, TCG, AGT, or AGC; asparagine can be encoded by AAT or AAC; aspartic acid can be encoded by GAT or GAC; cysteine can be encoded by TGT or TGC; alanine can be encoded by GCT, GCC, GCA, or GCG; glutamine can be encoded by CAA or CAG; tyrosine can be encoded by TAT or TAC; and isoleucine can be encoded by ATT, ATC, or ATA. Tables showing the standard genetic code can be found in various sources (see, for example, Stryer, 1988, Biochemistry, 3.sup.rd Edition, W.H. 5 Freeman and Co., NY).

**[0296]** “Hybridization” refers to a reaction in which one or more polynucleotides react to form a complex that is stabilized via hydrogen bonding between the bases of the nucleotide residues. The hydrogen bonding may occur by Watson-Crick base pairing, Hoogstein binding, or in any other sequence-specific manner. The complex may comprise two strands forming a duplex structure, three or more strands forming a multi-stranded complex, a single self-hybridizing strand, or any combination of these. A hybridization reaction may constitute a step in a more extensive process, such as the initiation of a PC reaction, or the enzymatic cleavage of a polynucleotide by a ribozyme.

**[0297]** Examples of stringent hybridization conditions include: incubation temperatures of about 25°C to about 37°C; hybridization buffer concentrations of about 6x SSC to about 10x SSC; formamide concentrations of about 0% to about 25%; and wash solutions from about 4x SSC to about 8x SSC. Examples of moderate hybridization conditions include: incubation temperatures of about 40°C to about 50°C; buffer concentrations of about 9x SSC to about 2x SSC; formamide concentrations of about 30% to about 50%; and wash solutions of about 5x SSC to about 2x SSC. Examples of high stringency conditions include: incubation temperatures of about 55°C to about 68°C; buffer concentrations of about 1x SSC to about 0.1x SSC; formamide concentrations of about 55% to about 75%; and wash solutions of about 1x SSC, 0.1x SSC, or deionized water. In general, hybridization incubation times are from 5 minutes to 24 hours, with 1, 2, or more washing steps, and wash incubation times are about 1, 2, or 15 minutes. SSC is 0.15 M NaCl and 15 mM citrate buffer. It is understood that equivalents of SSC using other buffer systems can be employed.

**[0298]** “Homology” or “identity” or “similarity” refers to sequence similarity between two peptides or between two nucleic acid molecules. Homology can be determined by comparing a position in each sequence which may be aligned for purposes of comparison. When a position in the compared sequence is occupied by the same base or amino acid, then the molecules are homologous at that position. A degree of homology between sequences is a function of the number of matching or homologous positions shared by the sequences. An “unrelated” or “non-homologous” sequence shares less than 40% identity, or alternatively less than 25% identity, with one of the sequences of the present invention.

### *Cells*

**[0299]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a cell of the disclosure is a prokaryotic cell.

**[0300]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a cell of the disclosure is a eukaryotic cell. In some embodiments, the cell is a mammalian cell. In some embodiments, the cell is a bovine, murine, feline, equine, porcine, canine, simian, or human cell. In some embodiments, the cell is a non-human mammalian cell such as a non-human primate cell.

**[0301]** In some embodiments, a cell of the disclosure is a somatic cell. In some embodiments, a cell of the disclosure is a germline cell. In some embodiments, a germline cell of the disclosure is not a human cell.

**[0302]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a cell of the disclosure is a stem cell. In some embodiments, a cell of the disclosure is an embryonic stem cell. In some embodiments, an embryonic stem cell of the disclosure is not a human cell. In some embodiments, a cell of the disclosure is a multipotent stem cell or a pluripotent stem cell. In some embodiments, a cell of the disclosure is an adult stem cell. In some embodiments, a cell of the disclosure is an induced pluripotent stem cell (iPSC). In some embodiments, a cell of the disclosure is a hematopoietic stem cell (HSC).

**[0303]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a somatic cell of the disclosure is an immune cell. In some embodiments, an immune cell of the disclosure is a lymphocyte. In some embodiments, an immune cell of the disclosure is a T lymphocyte (also referred to herein as a T-cell). Exemplary T-cells of the disclosure include, but are not limited to, naïve T cells, effector T cells, helper T cells, memory T cells, regulatory T cells (Tregs) and Gamma delta T cells. In some embodiments, an immune cell of the disclosure is a B lymphocyte. In some embodiments, an immune cell of the disclosure is a natural killer cell. In some embodiments, an immune cell of the disclosure is an antigen-presenting cell.

**[0304]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a somatic cell of the disclosure is a muscle cell. In some embodiments, a muscle cell of the disclosure is a myoblast or a myocyte. In some embodiments, a muscle cell of the disclosure is a cardiac muscle cell, skeletal muscle cell or smooth muscle cell. In some embodiments, a muscle cell of the disclosure is a striated cell.

**[0305]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a somatic cell of the disclosure is an epithelial cell. In some embodiments, an epithelial cell of the disclosure forms a squamous cell epithelium, a cuboidal cell epithelium, a columnar cell epithelium, a stratified cell epithelium, a pseudostratified columnar cell epithelium or a transitional cell epithelium. In some embodiments, an epithelial cell of the disclosure forms a gland including, but not limited to, a pineal gland, a thymus gland, a pituitary gland, a thyroid gland, an adrenal gland, an apocrine gland, a holocrine gland, a merocrine gland, a serous gland,

a mucous gland and a sebaceous gland. In some embodiments, an epithelial cell of the disclosure contacts an outer surface of an organ including, but not limited to, a lung, a spleen, a stomach, a pancreas, a bladder, an intestine, a kidney, a gallbladder, a liver, a larynx or a pharynx. In some embodiments, an epithelial cell of the disclosure contacts an outer surface of a blood vessel or a vein.

**[0306]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a somatic cell of the disclosure is a neuronal cell. In some embodiments, a neuron cell of the disclosure is a neuron of the central nervous system. In some embodiments, a neuron cell of the disclosure is a neuron of the brain or the spinal cord. In some embodiments, a neuron cell of the disclosure is a neuron of the retina. In some embodiments, a neuron cell of the disclosure is a neuron of a cranial nerve or an optic nerve. In some embodiments, a neuron cell of the disclosure is a neuron of the peripheral nervous system. In some embodiments, a neuron cell of the disclosure is a neuroglial or a glial cell. In some embodiments, a glial of the disclosure is a glial cell of the central nervous system including, but not limited to, oligodendrocytes, astrocytes, ependymal cells, and microglia. In some embodiments, a glial of the disclosure is a glial cell of the peripheral nervous system including, but not limited to, Schwann cells and satellite cells.

**[0307]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a somatic cell of the disclosure is a primary cell.

**[0308]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a somatic cell of the disclosure is a cultured cell.

**[0309]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a somatic cell of the disclosure is in vivo, in vitro, ex vivo or in situ.

**[0310]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a somatic cell of the disclosure is autologous or allogeneic.

#### ***Methods of Use***

**[0311]** The disclosure provides a method of modifying level of expression of an RNA molecule of the disclosure or a protein encoded by the RNA molecule comprising contacting the composition and the RNA molecule under conditions suitable for binding of one or more of the guide RNA or the fusion protein (or a portion thereof) to the RNA molecule.

**[0312]** The disclosure provides a method of modifying an activity of a protein encoded by an RNA molecule comprising contacting the composition and the RNA molecule under conditions suitable for binding of one or more of the guide RNA or the fusion protein (or a portion thereof) to the RNA molecule.

**[0313]** The disclosure provides a method of modifying level of expression of an RNA molecule of the disclosure or a protein encoded by the RNA molecule comprising contacting the composition and a cell comprising the RNA molecule under conditions suitable for binding of one or more of the guide RNA or the fusion protein (or a portion thereof) to the RNA molecule. In some embodiments, the cell is *in vivo*, *in vitro*, *ex vivo* or *in situ*. In some embodiments, the composition comprises a vector comprising composition comprising a guide RNA of the disclosure and a fusion protein of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the vector is an AAV.

**[0314]** The disclosure provides a method of modifying an activity of a protein encoded by an RNA molecule comprising contacting the composition and a cell comprising the RNA molecule under conditions suitable for binding of one or more of the guide RNA or the fusion protein (or a portion thereof) to the RNA molecule. In some embodiments, the cell is *in vivo*, *in vitro*, *ex vivo* or *in situ*. In some embodiments, the composition comprises a vector comprising composition comprising a guide RNA or a single guide RNA of the disclosure and a fusion protein of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the vector is an AAV.

**[0315]** The disclosure provides a method of modifying level of expression of an RNA molecule of the disclosure or a protein encoded by the RNA molecule comprising contacting the composition and the RNA molecule under conditions suitable for RNA nuclease activity wherein the fusion protein induces a break in the RNA molecule.

**[0316]** The disclosure provides a method of modifying an activity of a protein encoded by an RNA molecule comprising contacting the composition and the RNA molecule under conditions suitable for RNA nuclease activity wherein the fusion protein induces a break in the RNA molecule.

**[0317]** The disclosure provides a method of modifying a level of expression of an RNA molecule of the disclosure or a protein encoded by the RNA molecule comprising contacting the composition and a cell comprising the RNA molecule under conditions suitable for RNA nuclease activity wherein the fusion protein induces a break in the RNA molecule. In some

embodiments, the cell is in vivo, in vitro, ex vivo or in situ. In some embodiments, the composition comprises a vector comprising composition comprising a guide RNA of the disclosure and a fusion protein of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the vector is an AAV.

**[0318]** The disclosure provides a method of modifying an activity of a protein encoded by an RNA molecule comprising contacting the composition and a cell comprising the RNA molecule under conditions suitable for RNA nuclease activity wherein the fusion protein induces a break in the RNA molecule. In some embodiments, the cell is in vivo, in vitro, ex vivo or in situ. In some embodiments, the composition comprises a vector comprising composition comprising a guide RNA or a single guide RNA of the disclosure and a fusion protein of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the vector is an AAV.

**[0319]** The disclosure provides a method of treating a disease or disorder comprising administering to a subject a therapeutically effective amount of a composition of the disclosure.

**[0320]** The disclosure provides a method of treating a disease or disorder comprising administering to a subject a therapeutically effective amount of a composition of the disclosure, wherein the composition comprises a vector comprising composition comprising a guide RNA of the disclosure and a fusion protein of the disclosure and wherein the composition modifies a level of expression of an RNA molecule of the disclosure or a protein encoded by the RNA molecule.

**[0321]** The disclosure provides a method of treating a disease or disorder comprising administering to a subject a therapeutically effective amount of a composition of the disclosure, wherein the composition comprises a vector comprising composition comprising a guide RNA of the disclosure and a fusion protein of the disclosure and wherein the composition modifies an activity of a protein encoded by an RNA molecule.

**[0322]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a disease or disorder of the disclosure includes, but is not limited to, a genetic disease or disorder. In some embodiments, the genetic disease or disorder is a single-gene disease or disorder. In some embodiments, the single-gene disease or disorder is an autosomal dominant disease or disorder, an autosomal recessive disease or disorder, an X-chromosome linked (X-linked) disease or disorder, an X-linked dominant disease or disorder, an X-linked recessive disease or disorder, a Y-linked disease or disorder or a mitochondrial disease or disorder. In some embodiments, the

genetic disease or disorder is a multiple-gene disease or disorder. In some embodiments, the genetic disease or disorder is a multiple-gene disease or disorder. In some embodiments, the single-gene disease or disorder is an autosomal dominant disease or disorder including, but not limited to, Huntington's disease, neurofibromatosis type 1, neurofibromatosis type 2, Marfan syndrome, hereditary nonpolyposis colorectal cancer, hereditary multiple exostoses, Von Willebrand disease, and acute intermittent porphyria. In some embodiments, the single-gene disease or disorder is an autosomal recessive disease or disorder including, but not limited to, Albinism, Medium-chain acyl-CoA dehydrogenase deficiency, cystic fibrosis, sickle-cell disease, Tay-Sachs disease, Niemann-Pick disease, spinal muscular atrophy, and Roberts syndrome. In some embodiments, the single-gene disease or disorder is X-linked disease or disorder including, but not limited to, muscular dystrophy, Duchenne muscular dystrophy, Hemophilia, Adrenoleukodystrophy (ALD), Rett syndrome, and Hemophilia A. In some embodiments, the single-gene disease or disorder is a mitochondrial disorder including, but not limited to, Leber's hereditary optic neuropathy.

**[0323]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a disease or disorder of the disclosure includes, but is not limited to, an immune disease or disorder. In some embodiments, the immune disease or disorder is an immunodeficiency disease or disorder including, but not limited to, B-cell deficiency, T-cell deficiency, neutropenia, asplenia, complement deficiency, acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) and immunodeficiency due to medical intervention (immunosuppression as an intended or adverse effect of a medical therapy). In some embodiments, the immune disease or disorder is an autoimmune disease or disorder including, but not limited to, Achalasia, Addison's disease, Adult Still's disease, Agammaglobulinemia, Alopecia areata, Amyloidosis, Anti-GBM/Anti-TBM nephritis, Antiphospholipid syndrome, Autoimmune angioedema, Autoimmune dysautonomia, Autoimmune encephalomyelitis, Autoimmune hepatitis, Autoimmune inner ear disease (AIED), Autoimmune myocarditis, Autoimmune oophoritis, Autoimmune orchitis, Autoimmune pancreatitis, Autoimmune retinopathy, Autoimmune urticaria, Axonal & neuronal neuropathy (AMAN), Baló disease, Behcet's disease, Benign mucosal pemphigoid, Bullous pemphigoid, Castleman disease (CD), Celiac disease, Chagas disease, Chronic inflammatory demyelinating polyneuropathy (CIDP), Chronic recurrent multifocal osteomyelitis (CRMO), Churg-Strauss

Syndrome (CSS) or Eosinophilic Granulomatosis (EGPA), Cicatricial pemphigoid, Cogan's syndrome, Cold agglutinin disease, Congenital heart block, Coxsackie myocarditis, CREST syndrome, Crohn's disease, Dermatitis herpetiformis, Dermatomyositis, Devic's disease (neuromyelitis optica), Discoid lupus, Dressler's syndrome, Endometriosis, Eosinophilic esophagitis (EoE), Eosinophilic fasciitis, Erythema nodosum, Essential mixed cryoglobulinemia, Evans syndrome, Fibromyalgia, Fibrosing alveolitis, Giant cell arteritis (temporal arteritis), Giant cell myocarditis, Glomerulonephritis, Goodpasture's syndrome, Granulomatosis with Polyangiitis, Graves' disease, Guillain-Barre syndrome, Hashimoto's thyroiditis, Hemolytic anemia, Henoch-Schonlein purpura (HSP), Herpes gestationis or pemphigoid gestationis (PG), Hidradenitis Suppurativa (HS) (Acne Inversa), Hypogammaglobulinemia, IgA Nephropathy, IgG4-related sclerosing disease, Immune thrombocytopenic purpura (ITP), Inclusion body myositis (IBM), Interstitial cystitis (IC), Juvenile arthritis, Juvenile diabetes (Type 1 diabetes), Juvenile myositis (JM), Kawasaki disease, Lambert-Eaton syndrome, Leukocytoclastic vasculitis, Lichen planus, Lichen sclerosus, Ligneous conjunctivitis, Linear IgA disease (LAD), Lupus, Lyme disease chronic, Meniere's disease, Microscopic polyangiitis (MPA), Mixed connective tissue disease (MCTD), Mooren's ulcer, Mucha-Habermann disease, Multifocal Motor Neuropathy (MMN) or MMNCB, Multiple sclerosis, Myasthenia gravis, Myositis, Narcolepsy, Neonatal Lupus, Neuromyelitis optica, Neutropenia, Ocular cicatricial pemphigoid, Optic neuritis, Palindromic rheumatism (PR), PANDAS, Paraneoplastic cerebellar degeneration (PCD), Paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH), Parry Romberg syndrome, Pars planitis (peripheral uveitis), Parsonnage-Turner syndrome, Pemphigus, Peripheral neuropathy, Perivenous encephalomyelitis, Pernicious anemia (PA), POEMS syndrome, Polyarteritis nodosa, Polyglandular syndromes type I, II, III, Polymyalgia rheumatica, Polymyositis, Postmyocardial infarction syndrome, Postpericardiotomy syndrome, Primary biliary cirrhosis, Primary sclerosing cholangitis, Progesterone dermatitis, Psoriasis, Psoriatic arthritis, Pure red cell aplasia (PRCA), Pyoderma gangrenosum, Raynaud's phenomenon, Reactive Arthritis, Reflex sympathetic dystrophy, Relapsing polychondritis, Restless legs syndrome (RLS), Retroperitoneal fibrosis, Rheumatic fever, Rheumatoid arthritis, Sarcoidosis, Schmidt syndrome, Scleritis, Scleroderma, Sjögren's syndrome, Sperm & testicular autoimmunity, Stiff person syndrome (SPS), Subacute bacterial endocarditis (SBE), Susac's syndrome, Sympathetic ophthalmia (SO), Takayasu's

arteritis, Temporal arteritis/Giant cell arteritis, Thrombocytopenic purpura (TTP), Tolosa-Hunt syndrome (THS), Transverse myelitis, Type 1 diabetes, Ulcerative colitis (UC), Undifferentiated connective tissue disease (UCTD), Uveitis, Vasculitis, Vitiligo, Vogt-Koyanagi-Harada Disease, or Wegener's granulomatosis.

**[0324]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a disease or disorder of the disclosure includes, but is not limited to, an inflammatory disease or disorder.

**[0325]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a disease or disorder of the disclosure includes, but is not limited to, a metabolic disease or disorder.

**[0326]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a disease or disorder of the disclosure includes, but is not limited to, a degenerative or a progressive disease or disorder. In some embodiments, the degenerative or a progressive disease or disorder includes, but is not limited to, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), Huntington's disease, Alzheimer's disease, and aging.

**[0327]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a disease or disorder of the disclosure includes, but is not limited to, an infectious disease or disorder.

**[0328]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a disease or disorder of the disclosure includes, but is not limited to, a pediatric or a developmental disease or disorder.

**[0329]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a disease or disorder of the disclosure includes, but is not limited to, a cardiovascular disease or disorder.

**[0330]** In some embodiments of the compositions and methods of the disclosure, a disease or disorder of the disclosure includes, but is not limited to, a proliferative disease or disorder. In some embodiments, the proliferative disease or disorder is a cancer. In some embodiments, the cancer includes, but is not limited to, Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL), Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML), Adrenocortical Carcinoma, AIDS-Related Cancers, Kaposi Sarcoma (Soft Tissue Sarcoma), AIDS-Related Lymphoma (Lymphoma), Primary CNS Lymphoma (Lymphoma), Anal Cancer, Appendix Cancer, Gastrointestinal Carcinoid Tumors, Astrocytomas, Atypical Teratoid/Rhabdoid Tumor, Central Nervous System (Brain Cancer), Basal Cell Carcinoma, Bile Duct Cancer, Bladder Cancer, Bone Cancer, Ewing Sarcoma, Osteosarcoma, Malignant Fibrous Histiocytoma, Brain Tumors, Breast Cancer, Burkitt

Lymphoma, Carcinoid Tumor, Carcinoma, Cardiac (Heart) Tumors, Embryonal Tumors, Germ Cell Tumor, Primary CNS Lymphoma, Cervical Cancer, Cholangiocarcinoma, Chordoma, Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL), Chronic Myelogenous Leukemia (CML), Chronic Myeloproliferative Neoplasms, Colorectal Cancer, Craniopharyngioma, Cutaneous T-Cell Lymphoma, Ductal Carcinoma In Situ, Embryonal Tumors, Endometrial Cancer (Uterine Cancer), Ependymoma, Esophageal Cancer, Esthesioneuroblastoma (Head and Neck Cancer), Ewing Sarcoma (Bone Cancer), Extracranial Germ Cell Tumor, Extragonadal Germ Cell Tumor, Eye Cancer, Childhood Intraocular Melanoma, Intraocular Melanoma, Retinoblastoma, Fallopian Tube Cancer, Fibrous Histiocytoma of Bone, Malignant, and Osteosarcoma, Gallbladder Cancer, Gastric (Stomach) Cancer, Gastrointestinal Carcinoid Tumor, Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumors (GIST) (Soft Tissue Sarcoma), Childhood Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumors, Germ Cell Tumors, Childhood Extracranial Germ Cell Tumors, Extragonadal Germ Cell Tumors, Ovarian Germ Cell Tumors, Testicular Cancer, Gestational Trophoblastic Disease, Hairy Cell Leukemia, Head and Neck Cancer, Heart Tumors, Hepatocellular (Liver) Cancer, Histiocytosis, Hodgkin Lymphoma, Hypopharyngeal Cancer (Head and Neck Cancer), Intraocular Melanoma, Islet Cell Tumors, Pancreatic Neuroendocrine Tumors, Kaposi Sarcoma (Soft Tissue Sarcoma), Kidney (Renal Cell) Cancer, Langerhans Cell Histiocytosis, Laryngeal Cancer (Head and Neck Cancer), Leukemia, Lip and Oral Cavity Cancer (Head and Neck Cancer), Liver Cancer, Lung Cancer (Non-Small Cell and Small Cell), Childhood Lung Cancer, Lymphoma, Male Breast Cancer, Malignant Fibrous Histiocytoma of Bone and Osteosarcoma, Melanoma, Merkel Cell Carcinoma (Skin Cancer), Mesothelioma, Metastatic Squamous Neck Cancer with Occult Primary (Head and Neck Cancer), Midline Tract Carcinoma With NUT Gene Changes, Mouth Cancer (Head and Neck Cancer), Multiple Endocrine Neoplasia Syndromes, Multiple Myeloma/Plasma Cell Neoplasms, Mycosis Fungoides (Lymphoma), Myelodysplastic Syndromes, Myelodysplastic/Myeloproliferative Neoplasms, Nasal Cavity and Paranasal Sinus Cancer (Head and Neck Cancer), Nasopharyngeal Cancer (Head and Neck Cancer), Neuroblastoma, Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma, Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer, Oral Cancer, Lip and Oral Cavity Cancer and Oropharyngeal Cancer, Osteosarcoma and Malignant Fibrous Histiocytoma of Bone, Ovarian Cancer, Pancreatic Cancer, Pancreatic Neuroendocrine Tumors (Islet Cell Tumors), Papillomatosis, Paraganglioma, Parathyroid Cancer, Penile Cancer,

Pharyngeal Cancer (Head and Neck Cancer), Pheochromocytoma , Plasma Cell Neoplasm/Multiple Myeloma, Pleuropulmonary Blastoma, Pregnancy and Breast Cancer, Primary Central Nervous System (CNS) Lymphoma, Primary Peritoneal Cancer, Prostate Cancer, Rectal Cancer, Recurrent Cancer, Renal Cell (Kidney) Cancer, Retinoblastoma, Rhabdomyosarcoma, Childhood (Soft Tissue Sarcoma), Salivary Gland Cancer (Head and Neck Cancer), Sarcoma, Childhood Rhabdomyosarcoma (Soft Tissue Sarcoma), Childhood Vascular Tumors (Soft Tissue Sarcoma), Ewing Sarcoma (Bone Cancer), Kaposi Sarcoma (Soft Tissue Sarcoma), Osteosarcoma (Bone Cancer), Uterine Sarcoma, Sézary Syndrome, Lymphoma, Skin Cancer, Small Cell Lung Cancer, Small Intestine Cancer, Soft Tissue Sarcoma, Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Skin, Squamous Neck Cancer, Stomach (Gastric) Cancer, T-Cell Lymphoma, Testicular Cancer, Throat Cancer (Head and Neck Cancer), Nasopharyngeal Cancer, Oropharyngeal Cancer, Hypopharyngeal Cancer, Thymoma and Thymic Carcinoma , Thyroid Cancer, Transitional Cell Cancer of the Renal Pelvis and Ureter, Renal Cell Cancer, Urethral Cancer, Uterine Sarcoma, Vaginal Cancer, Vascular Tumors (Soft Tissue Sarcoma), Vulvar Cancer, Wilms Tumor and Other Childhood Kidney Tumors.

**[0331]** In some embodiments of the methods of the disclosure, a subject of the disclosure has been diagnosed with the disease or disorder. In some embodiments, the subject of the disclosure presents at least one sign or symptom of the disease or disorder. In some embodiments, the subject has a biomarker predictive of a risk of developing the disease or disorder. In some embodiments, the biomarker is a genetic mutation.

**[0332]** In some embodiments of the methods of the disclosure, a subject of the disclosure is female. In some embodiments of the methods of the disclosure, a subject of the disclosure is male. In some embodiments, a subject of the disclosure has two XX or XY chromosomes. In some embodiments, a subject of the disclosure has two XX or XY chromosomes and a third chromosome, either an X or a Y.

**[0333]** In some embodiments of the methods of the disclosure, a subject of the disclosure is a neonate, an infant, a child, an adult, a senior adult, or an elderly adult. In some embodiments of the methods of the disclosure, a subject of the disclosure is at least 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 or 31 days old. In some embodiments of the methods of the disclosure, a subject of the disclosure is at least 1, 2, 3, 4, 5,

6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 or 12 months old. In some embodiments of the methods of the disclosure, a subject of the disclosure is at least 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100 or any number of years or partial years in between of age.

**[0334]** In some embodiments of the methods of the disclosure, a subject of the disclosure is a mammal. In some embodiments, a subject of the disclosure is a non-human mammal.

**[0335]** In some embodiments of the methods of the disclosure, a subject of the disclosure is a human.

**[0336]** In some embodiments of the methods of the disclosure, a therapeutically effective amount comprises a single dose of a composition of the disclosure. In some embodiments, a therapeutically effective amount comprises a therapeutically effective amount comprises at least one dose of a composition of the disclosure. In some embodiments, a therapeutically effective amount comprises a therapeutically effective amount comprises one or more dose(s) of a composition of the disclosure.

**[0337]** In some embodiments of the methods of the disclosure, a therapeutically effective amount eliminates a sign or symptom of the disease or disorder. In some embodiments, a therapeutically effective amount reduces a severity of a sign or symptom of the disease or disorder.

**[0338]** In some embodiments of the methods of the disclosure, a therapeutically effective amount eliminates the disease or disorder.

**[0339]** In some embodiments of the methods of the disclosure, a therapeutically effective amount prevents an onset of a disease or disorder. In some embodiments, a therapeutically effective amount delays the onset of a disease or disorder. In some embodiments, a therapeutically effective amount reduces the severity of a sign or symptom of the disease or disorder. In some embodiments, a therapeutically effective amount improves a prognosis for the subject.

**[0340]** In some embodiments of the methods of the disclosure, a composition of the disclosure is administered to the subject systemically. In some embodiments, the composition of the disclosure is administered to the subject by an intravenous route. In some embodiments, the composition of the disclosure is administered to the subject by an injection or an infusion.

**[0341]** In some embodiments of the methods of the disclosure, a composition of the disclosure is administered to the subject locally. In some embodiments, the composition of the disclosure is administered to the subject by an intraosseous, intraocular, intracerebrospinal or intraspinal route. In some embodiments, the composition of the disclosure is administered directly to the cerebral spinal fluid of the central nervous system. In some embodiments, the composition of the disclosure is administered directly to a tissue or fluid of the eye and does not have bioavailability outside of ocular structures. In some embodiments, the composition of the disclosure is administered to the subject by an injection or an infusion.

**[0342]** In some embodiments, the compositions comprising the RNA-binding fusion proteins disclosed herein are formulated as pharmaceutical compositions. Briefly, pharmaceutical compositions for use as disclosed herein may comprise a fusion protein(s) or a polynucleotide encoding the fusion protein(s), optionally comprised in an AAV, which is optionally also immune orthogonal, in combination with one or more pharmaceutically or physiologically acceptable carriers, diluents or excipients. Such compositions may comprise buffers such as neutral buffered saline, phosphate buffered saline and the like; carbohydrates such as glucose, mannose, sucrose or dextrans, mannitol; proteins; polypeptides or amino acids such as glycine; antioxidants; chelating agents such as EDTA or glutathione; adjuvants (e.g., aluminum hydroxide); and preservatives. Compositions of the disclosure may be formulated for oral, intravenous, topical, enteral, intraocular, and/or parenteral administration. In certain embodiments, the compositions of the present disclosure are formulated for intravenous administration.

#### **Example Embodiments:**

**[0343]** Embodiment 1. A composition comprising:

- (a) a sequence comprising a guide RNA (gRNA) that specifically binds a target sequence within an RNA molecule and
- (b) a sequence encoding a fusion protein, the sequence comprising a sequence encoding a first RNA-binding polypeptide and a sequence encoding a second RNA-binding polypeptide, wherein neither the first RNA-binding polypeptide nor the second RNA-binding polypeptide comprises a significant DNA-nuclease activity,

wherein the first RNA-binding polypeptide and the second RNA-binding polypeptide are not identical, and

wherein the second RNA-binding polypeptide comprises an RNA-nuclease activity;  
or

a composition comprising nucleic acid sequence encoding a fusion protein, the fusion protein comprising a first RNA-binding polypeptide and a second RNA-binding polypeptide, wherein the first RNA-binding polypeptide is not a guided RNA-binding polypeptide, wherein the first RNA-binding polypeptide and the second RNA-binding polypeptide are not identical, and wherein the second RNA-binding polypeptide comprises an RNA-nuclease activity.

Embodiment 2. The composition of embodiment 1, wherein the target sequence comprises at least one repeated sequence.

Embodiment 3. The composition of embodiment 1 or 2, wherein the sequence comprising the gRNA comprises a promoter capable of expressing the gRNA in a eukaryotic cell.

Embodiment 4. The composition of embodiment 3, wherein the eukaryotic cell is an animal cell.

Embodiment 5. The composition of embodiment 4, wherein the animal cell is a mammalian cell.

Embodiment 6. The composition of embodiment 5, wherein the animal cell is a human cell.

Embodiment 7. The composition of any one of embodiments 1-6, wherein the promoter is a constitutively active promoter.

Embodiment 8. The composition of any one of embodiments 1-7, wherein the promoter is isolated or derived from a promoter capable of driving expression of an RNA polymerase.

Embodiment 9. The composition of embodiment 8, wherein the promoter is isolated or derived from a U6 promoter.

Embodiment 10. The composition of any one of embodiments 1-7, wherein the promoter is isolated or derived from a promoter capable of driving expression of a transfer RNA (tRNA).

Embodiment 11. The composition of embodiment 10, wherein the promoter is isolated or derived from an alanine tRNA promoter, an arginine tRNA promoter, an asparagine tRNA promoter, an aspartic acid tRNA promoter, a cysteine tRNA promoter, a glutamine tRNA promoter, a glutamic acid tRNA promoter, a glycine tRNA promoter, a histidine tRNA promoter, an isoleucine tRNA promoter, a leucine tRNA promoter, a lysine tRNA promoter, a methionine tRNA promoter, a phenylalanine tRNA promoter, a proline tRNA promoter, a serine tRNA promoter, a threonine tRNA promoter, a tryptophan tRNA promoter, a tyrosine tRNA promoter, or a valine tRNA promoter.

Embodiment 12. The composition of embodiment 10, wherein the promoter is isolated or derived from a valine tRNA promoter.

Embodiment 13. The composition of any one of embodiments 1-12, wherein the sequence comprising the gRNA comprises a spacer sequence that specifically binds to the target RNA sequence.

Embodiment 14. The composition of embodiment 13, wherein the spacer sequence has at least 50%, 55%, 60%, 65%, 70%, 75%, 80%, 87%, 90%, 95%, 97%, 99% or any percentage in between of complementarity to the target RNA sequence.

Embodiment 15. The composition of embodiment 13, wherein the spacer sequence has 100% complementarity to the target RNA sequence.

Embodiment 16. The composition of any one of embodiments 13-15, wherein the spacer sequence comprises or consists of 20 nucleotides.

Embodiment 17. The composition of any one of embodiments 13-15, wherein the spacer sequence comprises or consists of 21 nucleotides.

Embodiment 18. The composition of embodiment 17, wherein the spacer sequence comprises the sequence UGGAGCGAGCAUCCCCAAA (SEQ ID NO: 1), GUUUGGGGAUGCUCGUCCA (SEQ ID NO: 2), CCCUCACUGCUGGGGAGUCC (SEQ ID NO: 3), GGACUCCCCAGCAGUGAGGG (SEQ ID NO: 4), GCAACUGGAUCAUUUGCUG (SEQ ID NO: 5), GCAGCAAAUUGAUCCAGUUGC (SEQ ID NO: 6), GCAUUCUUAUCUGGUCAGUGC (SEQ ID NO: 7), GCACUGACCAGAUAAGAAUG (SEQ ID NO: 8), GAGCAGCAGCAGCAGCAG (SEQ ID NO: 9), GCAGGCAGGCAGGCAGGCAGG (SEQ ID NO: 10), GCCCCGGCCCCGGCCCCGGC (SEQ ID NO: 11), or GCTGCTGCTGCTGCTGCTGC (SEQ ID NO: 12), GGGGCCGGGCCGGGCCGG (SEQ ID NO: 74), GGGCCGGGGCCGGGCCGG (SEQ ID NO: 75), GGCCGGGGCCGGGCCGG (SEQ ID NO: 76), GCCGGGGCCGGGCCGG (SEQ ID NO: 77), CCGGGGCCGGGCCGG (SEQ ID NO: 78), CGGGGCCGGGCCGG (SEQ ID NO: 79).

Embodiment 19. The composition of any one of embodiments 1-18, wherein the sequence comprising the gRNA comprises a scaffold sequence that specifically binds to the first RNA binding protein.

Embodiment 20. The composition of embodiment 19, wherein the scaffold sequence comprises a stem-loop structure.

Embodiment 21. The composition of embodiment 19 or 20, wherein the scaffold sequence comprises or consists of 90 nucleotides.

Embodiment 22. The composition of embodiment 19 or 20, wherein the scaffold sequence comprises or consists of 93 nucleotides.

Embodiment 23. The composition of embodiment 22, wherein the scaffold sequence comprises the sequence

GUUUAAGAGCUAUGCUGGAAACAGCAUAGCAAGUUAAAUAAGGCUAGUCCGUU  
AUCAACUUGAAAAAGUGGCACCGAGUCGGUGCUUUUUU (SEQ ID NO: 13).

Embodiment 24. The composition of embodiment 16, wherein the spacer sequence comprises the sequence GUGAUAAUGUGGAUGCCAUG (SEQ ID NO: 14),  
CUGGUGAACUUCGGAUAGUG (SEQ ID NO: 15), or GAGATATAGCCTGGTGGTTC  
(SEQ ID NO: 16).

Embodiment 25. The composition of embodiment 19 or 24, wherein the scaffold sequence comprises a step-loop structure.

Embodiment 26. The composition of embodiment 25, wherein the scaffold sequence comprises or consists of 85 nucleotides.

Embodiment 27. The composition of embodiment 26, wherein the scaffold sequence comprises the sequence

GGACAGCAUAGCAAGUUAAAUAAGGCUAGUCCGUUAUCUUGAAAAAGUGG  
CACCGAGUCGGUGCUUUU (SEQ ID NO: 17).

Embodiment 28. The composition of embodiment 16, wherein the spacer sequence comprises the sequence at least 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7 repeats of the sequence CUG (SEQ ID NO: 18), CCUG (SEQ ID NO: 19), CAG (SEQ ID NO: 80), GGGGCC (SEQ ID NO: 81) or any combination thereof.

Embodiment 29. The composition of embodiment 28, wherein the sequence comprising the gRNA comprises a scaffold sequence that specifically binds to the first RNA binding protein.

Embodiment 30. The composition of embodiment 29, wherein the scaffold sequence comprises a stem-loop structure.

Embodiment 31. The composition of embodiment 29 or 30, wherein the scaffold sequence comprises or consists of 90 nucleotides.

Embodiment 32. The composition of embodiment 30 or 31, wherein the scaffold sequence comprises or consists of 93 nucleotides.

Embodiment 33. The composition of embodiment 32, wherein the scaffold sequence comprises the sequence  
GUUUAAGAGCUAUGCUGGAAACAGCAUAGCAAGUUAAAUAAGGCUAGUCCGUU  
AUCAACUUGAAAAAGUGGCACCGAGUCGGUGCUUUUUU (SEQ ID NO: 82) or  
GUUUUAGAGCUAGAAAUAAGCAAGUUAAAUAAGGCUAGUCCGUUAUCAACUUGA  
AAAAGUGGCACCGAGUCGGUGCUUUUUU (SEQ ID NO: 83).

Embodiment 34. The composition of any one of embodiments 1-33, wherein the gRNA does not bind or does not selectively bind to a second sequence within the RNA molecule.

Embodiment 35. The composition of embodiment 34, wherein an RNA genome or an RNA transcriptome comprises the RNA molecule.

Embodiment 36. The composition of any one of embodiments 1-35, wherein the first RNA binding protein comprises a CRISPR-Cas protein.

Embodiment 37. The composition of embodiment 36, wherein the CRISPR-Cas protein is a Type II CRISPR-Cas protein.

Embodiment 38. The composition of embodiment 37, wherein the first RNA binding protein comprises a Cas9 polypeptide or an RNA-binding portion thereof.

Embodiment 39. The composition of embodiment 36, wherein the CRISPR-Cas protein is a Type V CRISPR-Cas protein.

Embodiment 40. The composition of embodiment 39, wherein the first RNA binding protein comprises a Cpf1 polypeptide or an RNA-binding portion thereof.

Embodiment 41. The composition of embodiment 36, wherein the CRISPR-Cas protein is a Type VI CRISPR-Cas protein.

Embodiment 42. The composition of embodiment 41, wherein the first RNA binding protein comprises a Cas13 polypeptide or an RNA-binding portion thereof.

Embodiment 43. The composition of any one of embodiments 36-42, wherein the CRISPR-Cas protein comprises a native RNA nuclease activity.

Embodiment 44. The composition of embodiment 43, wherein the native RNA nuclease activity is reduced or inhibited.

Embodiment 45. The composition of embodiment 43, wherein the native RNA nuclease activity is increased or induced.

Embodiment 46. The composition of any one of embodiments 36-45, wherein the CRISPR-Cas protein comprises a native DNA nuclease activity and wherein the native DNA nuclease activity is inhibited.

Embodiment 47. The composition of embodiment 46, wherein the CRISPR-Cas protein comprises a mutation.

Embodiment 48. The composition of embodiment 47, wherein a nuclease domain of the CRISPR-Cas protein comprises the mutation.

Embodiment 49. The composition of embodiment 47, wherein the mutation occurs in a nucleic acid encoding the CRISPR-Cas protein.

Embodiment 50. The composition of embodiment 47, wherein the mutation occurs in an amino acid encoding the CRISPR-Cas protein.

Embodiment 51. The composition of any one of embodiments 47-50, wherein the mutation comprises a substitution, an insertion, a deletion, a frameshift, an inversion, or a transposition.

Embodiment 52. The composition of any one of embodiments 47-50, wherein the mutation comprises a deletion of a nuclease domain, a binding site within the nuclease domain, an active site within the nuclease domain, or at least one essential amino acid residue within the nuclease domain.

Embodiment 53. The composition of any one of embodiments 1-35, wherein the first RNA binding protein comprises a Pumilio and FBF (PUF) protein.

Embodiment 54. The composition of embodiment 53, wherein the first RNA binding protein comprises a Pumilio-based assembly (PUMBY) protein.

Embodiment 55. The composition of any one of embodiments 1-54, wherein the first RNA binding protein does not require multimerization for RNA-binding activity.

Embodiment 56. The composition of embodiment 55, wherein the first RNA binding protein is not a monomer of a multimer complex

Embodiment 57. The composition of embodiment 55, wherein a multimer protein complex does not comprise the first RNA binding protein.

Embodiment 58. The composition of any one of embodiments 1-57, wherein the first RNA binding protein selectively binds to a target sequence within the RNA molecule.

Embodiment 59. The composition of embodiment 58, wherein the first RNA binding protein does not comprise an affinity for a second sequence within the RNA molecule.

Embodiment 60. The composition of embodiment 58 or 59, wherein the first RNA binding protein does not comprise a high affinity for or selectively bind a second sequence within the RNA molecule.

Embodiment 61. The composition of embodiment 60, wherein an RNA genome or an RNA transcriptome comprises the RNA molecule.

Embodiment 62. The composition of any one of embodiments 1-61, wherein the first RNA binding protein comprises between 2 and 1300 amino acids, inclusive of the endpoints.

Embodiment 63. The composition of any one of embodiments 1-62, wherein the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein further comprises a sequence encoding a nuclear localization signal (NLS).

Embodiment 64. The composition of embodiment 63, wherein the sequence encoding a nuclear localization signal (NLS) is positioned 3' to the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein.

Embodiment 65. The composition of embodiment 64, wherein the first RNA binding protein comprises an NLS at a C-terminus of the protein.

Embodiment 66. The composition of any one of embodiments 1-62, wherein the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein further comprises a first sequence encoding a first NLS and a second sequence encoding a second NLS.

Embodiment 67. The composition of embodiment 66, wherein the sequence encoding the first NLS or the second NLS is positioned 3' to the sequence encoding the first RNA binding protein.

Embodiment 68. The composition of embodiment 67, wherein the first RNA binding protein comprises the first NLS or the second NLS at a C-terminus of the protein.

Embodiment 69. The composition of any one of embodiments 1-68, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a nuclease domain.

Embodiment 70. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the sequence encoding the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase.

Embodiment 71. The composition of embodiment 70, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase1.

Embodiment 72. The composition of embodiment 71, wherein the RNase1 protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 20.

Embodiment 73. The composition of embodiment 72, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase4.

Embodiment 74. The composition of embodiment 73, wherein the RNase4 protein comprises or consists of: (SEQ ID NO: 21.

Embodiment 75. The composition of embodiment 70, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase6.

Embodiment 76. The composition of embodiment 75, wherein the RNase6 protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 22.

Embodiment 77. The composition of embodiment 70, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase7.

Embodiment 78. The composition of embodiment 77, wherein the RNase7 protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 23.

Embodiment 79. The composition of embodiment 70, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase8.

Embodiment 80. The composition of embodiment 79, wherein the RNase8 protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 24.

Embodiment 81. The composition of embodiment 70, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase2.

Embodiment 82. The composition of embodiment 81, wherein the RNase2 protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 25.

Embodiment 83. The composition of embodiment 70, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase6PL.

Embodiment 84. The composition of embodiment 83, wherein the RNase6PL protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 26.

Embodiment 85. The composition of embodiment 70, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNaseL.

Embodiment 86. The composition of embodiment 85, wherein the RNaseL protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 27.

Embodiment 87. The composition of embodiment 70, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNaseT2.

Embodiment 88. The composition of embodiment 87, wherein the RNaseT2 protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 28.

Embodiment 89. The composition of embodiment 70, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNase11.

Embodiment 90. The composition of embodiment 89, wherein the RNase11 comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 29.

Embodiment 91. The composition of embodiment 70, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an RNaseT2-like.

Embodiment 92. The composition of embodiment 91, wherein the RNaseT2-like protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 30.

Embodiment 93. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a NOB1 polypeptide.

Embodiment 94. The composition of embodiment 93, wherein the NOB1 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 31.

Embodiment 95. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an endonuclease.

Embodiment 96. The composition of embodiment 95, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an endonuclease V (ENDOV).

Embodiment 97. The composition of embodiment 96, wherein the ENDOV protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 32.

Embodiment 98. The composition of embodiment 95, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an endonuclease G (ENDOG).

Embodiment 99. The composition of embodiment 98, wherein the ENDOG protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 33.

Embodiment 100. The composition of embodiment 95, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an endonuclease D1 (ENDOD1).

Embodiment 101. The composition of embodiment 100, wherein the ENDOD1 protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 34.

Embodiment 102. The composition of embodiment 95, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Human flap endonuclease-1 (hFEN1).

Embodiment 103. The composition of embodiment 102, wherein the hFEN1 protein comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 35.

Embodiment 104. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a human Schlafen 14 (hSLFN14) polypeptide.

Embodiment 105. The composition of embodiment 104, wherein the hSLFN14 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 36.

Embodiment 106. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a human beta-lactamase-like protein 2 (hLACTB2) polypeptide.

Embodiment 107. The composition of embodiment 106, wherein the hLACTB2 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 37.

Embodiment 108. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an apurinic/apyrimidinic (AP) endodeoxyribonuclease (APEX2) polypeptide.

Embodiment 109. The composition of embodiment 108, wherein the APEX2 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 38.

Embodiment 110. The composition of embodiment 108, wherein the APEX2 polypeptide comprises or consists of: SEQ ID NO: 39.

Embodiment 111. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an angiogenin (ANG) polypeptide.

Embodiment 112. The composition of embodiment 111, wherein the ANG polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 40.

Embodiment 113. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a heat responsive protein 12 (HRSP12) polypeptide.

Embodiment 114. The composition of embodiment 113, wherein the HRSP12 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 41.

Embodiment 115. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Zinc Finger CCCH-Type Containing 12A (ZC3H12A) polypeptide.

Embodiment 116. The composition of embodiment 115, wherein the ZC3H12A polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 42.

Embodiment 117. The composition of embodiment 115, wherein the ZC3H12A polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 43.

Embodiment 118. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Reactive Intermediate Imine Deaminase A (RIDA) polypeptide.

Embodiment 119. The composition of embodiment 118, wherein the RIDA polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 44.

Embodiment 120. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Phospholipase D Family Member 6 (PDL6) polypeptide.

Embodiment 121. The composition of embodiment 120, wherein the PDL6 polypeptide comprises or consists of: (SEQ ID NO: 126.

Embodiment 122. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Endonuclease III-like **protein** 1 (NTHL) polypeptide.

Embodiment 123. The composition of embodiment 122, wherein the NTHL polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 123.

Embodiment 124. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Mitochondrial ribonuclease P catalytic subunit (KIAA0391) polypeptide.

Embodiment 125. The composition of embodiment 124, wherein the KIAA0391 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 127.

Embodiment 126. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an apurinic or apyrimidinic site lyase (APEX1) polypeptide.

Embodiment 127. The composition of embodiment 126, wherein the APEX1 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 125.

Embodiment 128. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an argonaute 2 (AGO2) polypeptide.

Embodiment 129. The composition of embodiment 128, wherein the AGO2 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 128.

Embodiment 130. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mitochondrial nuclease EXOG (EXOG) polypeptide.

Embodiment 131. The composition of embodiment 130, wherein the EXOG polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 129.

Embodiment 132. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Zinc Finger CCCH-Type Containing 12D (ZC3H12D) polypeptide.

Embodiment 133. The composition of embodiment 132, wherein the ZC3H12D polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 130.

Embodiment 134. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an endoplasmic reticulum to nucleus signaling 2 (ERN2) polypeptide.

Embodiment 135. The composition of embodiment 134, wherein the ERN2 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 131.

Embodiment 136. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a pelota mRNA surveillance and ribosome rescue factor (PELO) polypeptide.

Embodiment 137. The composition of embodiment 136, wherein the PELO polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 132.

Embodiment 138. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a YBEY metallopeptidase (YBEY) polypeptide.

Embodiment 139. The composition of embodiment 138, wherein the YBEY polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 133.

Embodiment 140. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a cleavage and polyadenylation specific factor 4 like (CPSF4L) polypeptide.

Embodiment 141. The composition of embodiment 140, wherein the CPSF4L comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 134.

Embodiment 142. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an hCG\_2002731 polypeptide.

Embodiment 143. The composition of embodiment 142, wherein the hCG\_2002731 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 135.

Embodiment 144. The composition of embodiment 142, wherein the hCG\_2002731 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 136.

Embodiment 145. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of an Excision Repair Cross-Complementation Group 1 (ERCC1) polypeptide.

Embodiment 146. The composition of embodiment 145, wherein the ERCC1 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 137.

Embodiment 147. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a ras-related C3 botulinum toxin substrate 1 isoform (RAC1) polypeptide.

Embodiment 148. The composition of embodiment 147, wherein the RAC1 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 138.

Embodiment 149. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Ribonuclease A A1 (RAA1) polypeptide.

Embodiment 150. The composition of embodiment 149, wherein the RAA1 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 139.

Embodiment 151. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a Ras Related Protein (RAB1) polypeptide.

Embodiment 152. The composition of embodiment 151, wherein the RAB1 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 140.

Embodiment 153. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a DNA Replication Helicase/Nuclease 2 (DNA2) polypeptide.

Embodiment 154. The composition of embodiment 153, wherein the DNA2 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 141.

Embodiment 155. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a FLJ35220 polypeptide.

Embodiment 156. The composition of embodiment 155, wherein the FLJ35220 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 142.

Embodiment 157. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a FLJ13173 polypeptide.

Embodiment 158. The composition of embodiment 157, wherein the FLJ13173 polypeptide comprises or consists of: (SEQ ID NO: 143.

Embodiment 159. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a DNA repair endonuclease XPF (ERCC4) polypeptide.

Embodiment 160. The composition of embodiment 159, wherein the ERCC4 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 64.

Embodiment 161. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(K41R)) polypeptide.

Embodiment 162. The composition of embodiment 161, wherein the Rnase1(K41R) polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 116.

Embodiment 163. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(K41R, D121E)) polypeptide.

Embodiment 164. The composition of embodiment 163, wherein the Rnase1 (Rnase1(K41R, D121E)) polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 117.

Embodiment 165. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(K41R, D121E, H119N)) polypeptide.

Embodiment 166. The composition of embodiment 165, wherein the Rnase1 (Rnase1(K41R, D121E, H119N)) polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 118.

Embodiment 167. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(H119N)) polypeptide.

Embodiment 168. The composition of embodiment 167, wherein the Rnase1 (Rnase1(H119N)) polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 119.

Embodiment 169. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D, H119N)) polypeptide.

Embodiment 170. The composition of embodiment 169, wherein the Rnase1 (Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D, H119N)) polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 120.

Embodiment 171. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D, H119N)) polypeptide.

Embodiment 172. The composition of embodiment 171, wherein the Rnase1 (Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D, H119N, K41R, D121E)) polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 121.

Embodiment 173. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of a mutated Rnase1 (Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D, H119N)) polypeptide.

Embodiment 174. The composition of embodiment 173, wherein the Rnase1 (Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D)) polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 122.

Embodiment 175. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of Teneurin Transmembrane Protein 1 (TENM1) polypeptide.

Embodiment 176. The composition of embodiment 175, wherein the TENM1 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 144.

Embodiment 177. The composition of embodiment 69, wherein the second RNA binding protein comprises or consists of Teneurin Transmembrane Protein 2 (TENM2) polypeptide.

Embodiment 178. The composition of embodiment 177, wherein the TENM2 polypeptide comprises or consists of SEQ ID NO: 145.

Embodiment 179. A composition comprising a sequence encoding a target RNA-binding fusion protein comprising (a) a sequence encoding a first RNA-binding polypeptide or portion thereof; and (b) a sequence encoding a second RNA-binding polypeptide, wherein the first RNA-binding polypeptide binds a target RNA not guided by a gRNA sequence, and wherein the second RNA-binding polypeptide comprises RNA-nuclease activity.

Embodiment 180. The composition of embodiment 179, wherein the first RNA-binding polypeptide or portion thereof is a PUF, PUMBY, or PPR polypeptide or portion thereof.

Embodiment 181. A method for modifying the level of expression of an RNA molecule or a protein encoded by the RNA molecule, the method comprising contacting the composition of embodiments 1 or 179 and the RNA molecule under conditions suitable for binding of the fusion protein or a portion thereof to the RNA molecule.

## EXAMPLES

### **Example 1: Methods**

**[0344]** HEK-293 cells were cultured in DMEM with 10% FBS and 1% penicillin/streptomycin (GIBCO) and passaged at 90%–100% confluence. Cells were seeded at  $1 \times 10^5$  cells per well of a 24-well plate for RNA isolation or  $.5 \times 10^5$  cells per well of a 96-well plate for luciferase assays. RNA isolations were carried out with RNAeasy columns (Qiagen) according to the manufacturer's protocol. RNA quality and concentrations were estimated using the Nanodrop spectrophotometer. cDNA preparation was done using Superscript III (Thermo) with random primers according to the manufacturer's protocol. qPCR was carried out with primers in a sequence adjacent to the CTG repeat in the reporter plasmid using the following primers:

Forward Primer	TetCTG DMPK E15 F	TCGGAGCGGTTGTGAAC	SEQ ID NO: 83
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Reverse Primer	TetCTG_DMPK_E15_R	GTTCGCCGTTGTTCTGTC	SEQ ID NO: 84
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**[0345]** Relative abundance of the CTG repeat reporter was determined by normalization to GAPDH. Next, levels of the CTG-targeting sgRNA were normalized to a non-targeting sgRNA to generate a final value reported in the associated data package.

CTG-targeting spacer	AGCAGCAGCAGCAGCAGCAG	SEQ ID NO: 85
Non-targeting control spacer ( $\lambda 2$ )	GTGATAAGTCCAATGCCATG	SEQ ID NO: 86
sgRNA scaffold (N's indicate spacer)	GNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNGUUUUAAGAGCUAUGCUG GAAACAGCAUAGCAAGUUUAAAUAAGGCUAGUCCGUUA UCAACUUGAAAAAGUGGCACCGAGUCGGUGCUUUUUUU	SEQ ID NO: 87

**[0346]** Luciferase assays were conducted with the Promega Dual Luciferase kit according to manufacturer's directions. Reported values are a ratio of firefly and renilla luciferase luminescence readings.

#### **Example 2: RNA-guided cleavage of repetitive RNA molecules and mRNA molecules**

**[0347]** Experimental Design: Various fusions of human proteins with annotated RNA endonuclease activity and Cas9 (*Streptococcus pyogenes* or *Campylobacter jejuni*) were constructed. Plasmids encoding the above fusions were co-transfected with either a repeat-containing plasmid or a luciferase assay plasmid (comprising an mRNA sequence encoding a luciferase protein). A level of CTG repeat-containing RNA was measured with qPCR in the condition in which an RNA endonuclease/Cas9 fusion was co-transfected with a repetitive RNA. A level of luciferase protein was measured using a luminescence assay in the condition in which an RNA endonuclease/Cas9 fusion was co-transfected with a luciferase assay plasmid. All measurements were normalized to a non-targeting sgRNA control construct (Figures 3A-5 and Figure 9).

#### **Example 3: RNA-guided cleavage of Viral RNA Molecules**

**[0348]** A549 cells were cultured in DMEM with 10% FBS and 1% penicillin/streptomycin (GIBCO) and passaged at 90%–100% confluence. Cells were seeded at  $1 \times 10^5$  cells per well of a 24-well plate for RNA isolation or  $.5 \times 10^5$  cells per well. Cells were transfected with plasmids encoding *Campylobacter jejuni* Cas9 (CjeCas9) fused to the gene NTHL1 (residues 31-312, E43) or CPSF4L (full length, E67) with plasmids encoding one of four sites in Zika NS5 RNA. CjeCas9 was driven by an EFS promoter while the guide RNAs were driven by U6 promoter. The sequences of the sgRNAs are presented in Table 1. The sequences of the constructs used in this study are presented below.

**[0349]** RNA isolations were carried out with RNAeasy columns (Qiagen) according to the manufacturer's protocol. RNA quality and concentrations were estimated using the Nanodrop spectrophotometer. cDNA preparation was done using Superscript III (Thermo) with random primers according to the manufacturer's protocol. qPCR was carried out with the following primers as listed in Table 2.

**[0350]** Figure 7 shows expression levels of Zika NS5 assessed in the presence of both E43 and E67 endonucleases with sgRNAs containing the various NS5-targeting spacer sequences as indicated in Table 2. Zika NS5 expression is displayed as fold change relative to the endonuclease loaded with an sgRNA containing a control (Lambda) spacer sequence.

**[0351]** Immunofluorescence microscopy was used to visualize Zika NS5 expression in the presence of E43 or E67 endonucleases fused to CjeCas9. Figure 8A shows a fluorescence microscopy image of cells transfected with CjeCas9-endonuclease fusions loaded with an sgRNA containing a Zika NS5-targeting spacer sequence. Expression of Zika NS5 is markedly decreased in the presence of CjeCas9-endonuclease fusions loaded with the appropriate Zika NS5-targeting sgRNA as compared to CjeCas9-endonuclease fusions loaded with a non-Zika NS5 targeting sgRNA (Figures 8A and 8B). Figure 6 is a list of exemplary endonucleases for use in the compositions of the disclosure.

**[0352] Table 1:** qPCR primers

<b>GAPDH_F</b>	CAGCCTCAAGATCATCAGCAA (SEQ ID NO: 192)
<b>GAPDH_R</b>	TGTGGTCATGAGTCCTCCA (SEQ ID NO: 193)
<b>NS5_F</b>	GAGGAGAGTGCCAGAGTTGT (SEQ ID NO: 194)

**NS5\_R** TCTCTCTCCCCATCCAGTGA (SEQ ID NO: 195)

**[0353] Table 2:** sgRNA sequences

<b>NS5-targeting spacer 1</b>	gcaatgatcttcatgtggggc (SEQ ID NO: 196)
<b>NS5-targeting spacer 2</b>	gaacccttgttgcactttc (SEQ ID NO: 197)
<b>NS5-targeting spacer 3</b>	gttggtgattagagcttcattc (SEQ ID NO: 198)
<b>NS5-targeting spacer 4</b>	gagtgtatccgttcaagaatcc (SEQ ID NO: 199)
<b>Non-targeting control spacer (<math>\lambda 2</math>)</b>	GTGATAAGTGGAAATGCCATG (SEQ ID NO: 200)
<b>sgRNA scaffold (N's indicate spacer)</b>	GNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNGUUUAAGAGCUAUG CUGGAAACAGCAUAGCAAGUUAAAUAAGGCUAGU CCGUUAUCAACUUGAAAAAGUGGCACCGAGUCGGU GCUUUUUUU (SEQ ID NO: 201)

[0354] A E43-CjeCas9 and sgRNA plasmid may comprise or consist of the sequence (U6:

N's=sgRNA spacer, E43, CjeCas9):

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cagtttaaaattatgtttaaaatggactatcatatgttaccgtactgttgcattcttgcgttatatatcttGTGGAAAGG  
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AGCCCCGGGGATCCACTAGTTCTAGAGCGGCCACCGCGGTGGAGCTCCAGCTT  
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GGGACCTGGGGCCGGGCCACGAGGGTGTGGGAAGAACCAAGGACCGTTGCGA  
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**TGTATACCG (SEQ ID NO: 202).**

[0355] A E67-CjeCas9 and sgRNA plasmid may comprise or consist of the sequence (U6: N's=sgRNA spacer, E67, CjeCas9):

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**TTATCATGTCTGTATACCG (SEQ ID NO: 203).**

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## **OTHER EMBODIMENTS**

**[0357]** While particular embodiments of the disclosure have been illustrated and described, various other changes and modifications can be made without departing from the spirit and scope of the disclosure. The scope of the appended claims includes all such changes and modifications that are within the scope of this disclosure.

## CLAIMS

### What is claimed is:

1. A composition comprising a nucleic acid sequence encoding an RNA-guided target RNA-binding fusion protein comprising (a) a first RNA-binding polypeptide or portion thereof; and (b) a second RNA-binding polypeptide, wherein the first RNA-binding polypeptide binds a target RNA when guided by a gRNA sequence, and wherein the second RNA-binding polypeptide comprises RNA-nuclease activity.
2. The composition of claim 1, wherein the first RNA-binding polypeptide or portion thereof is a CRISPR/Cas polypeptide or portion thereof.
3. The composition of claim 2, wherein the CRISPR/Cas polypeptide or portion thereof is selected from the group consisting of Cas9, Cpf1, Cas13a, Cas13b, Cas13c and CasRX/Cas13d, wherein the CRISPR/Cas polypeptide has native, reduced or null activity.
4. The composition of claim 1, wherein the second RNA-binding polypeptide binds RNA in a manner in which it associates with RNA.
5. The composition of claim 4, wherein the second RNA-binding polypeptide associates with RNA in a manner in which it cleaves RNA.
6. The composition of claim 1, wherein the nucleic acid sequence comprises a promoter.
7. The composition of claim 6, wherein the promoter is a constitutive promoter or a tissue-specific promoter.
8. The composition of claim 1, wherein the nucleic acid sequence further comprises a gRNA sequence, wherein the gRNA sequence comprises a spacer sequence that specifically binds a target sequence within an RNA molecule and a scaffold sequence that specifically binds to the first RNA-binding polypeptide.
9. The composition of claim 8, wherein the spacer sequence comprises a sequence comprising at least 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7 repeats of a sequence selected from the group consisting of: CUG (SEQ ID NO: 18), CCUG (SEQ ID NO: 19), CAG (SEQ ID NO: 80), GGGGCC (SEQ ID NO: 81), and a combination thereof.

10. The composition of claim 8, wherein the nucleic acid sequence comprises a promoter which drives expression of the gRNA sequence.
11. The composition of claim 9, wherein the promoter is a polymerase III promoter.
12. The composition of claim 10, wherein the polymerase III promoter is a U6 promoter.
13. The composition of claims 1 or 9, wherein the promoter is a tRNA promoter.
14. The composition of claims 1 or 9, wherein the fusion protein comprises an NLS, NES or tag.
15. A vector comprising the composition of claim 1 or 8.
16. The vector of claim 15, wherein the vector is selected from the group consisting of: adeno-associated virus, retrovirus, lentivirus, adenovirus, nanoparticle, micelle, liposome, lipoplex, polymersome, polyplex, and dendrimer.
17. A cell comprising the vector of claim 15.
18. The composition of claim 1, wherein the second RNA-binding polypeptide is selected from the group consisting of: RNase1, RNase4, RNase6, RNase7, RNase8, RNase2, RNase6PL, RNaseL, RNaseT2, RNase11, RNaseT2-like, NOB1, ENDOV, ENDOG, ENDOD1, hFEN1, hSLFN14, hLACTB2, APEX2, ANG, HRSP12, ZC3H12A, RIDA, PDL6, NTHL, KIAA0391, APEX1, AGO2, EXOG, ZC3H12D, ERN2, PELO, YBEY, CPSF4L, hCG\_2002731, ERCC1, RAC1, RAA1, RAB1, DNA2, FLJ35220, FLJ13173, ERCC4, Rnase1(K41R), Rnase1(K41R, D121E), Rnase1(K41R, D121E, H119N), Rnase1(H119N), Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D, H119N), Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D, H119N, K41R, D121E), Rnase1(R39D, N67D, N88A, G89D, R91D), TENM1, TENM2, RNaseK, TALEN, and ZNF638.
19. A composition comprising:
  - (a) a guide RNA (gRNA) sequence comprising a spacer sequence that specifically binds a target sequence within an RNA molecule and a scaffold sequence that specifically binds to the first RNA-binding polypeptide;
  - (b) a nucleic acid sequence encoding a fusion protein, the fusion protein comprising a first RNA-binding polypeptide and a sequence encoding a second RNA-binding polypeptide,

wherein neither the first RNA-binding polypeptide nor the second RNA-binding polypeptide comprises a significant DNA-nuclease activity,

wherein the first RNA-binding polypeptide and the second RNA-binding polypeptide are not identical, and

wherein the second RNA-binding polypeptide comprises an RNA-nuclease activity.

20. A method for modifying the level of expression of a target RNA molecule or a protein encoded by the RNA molecule, the method comprising contacting the composition of claims 19 and the RNA molecule under conditions suitable for binding of the fusion protein or a portion thereof to the RNA molecule.

## FIGURE 1

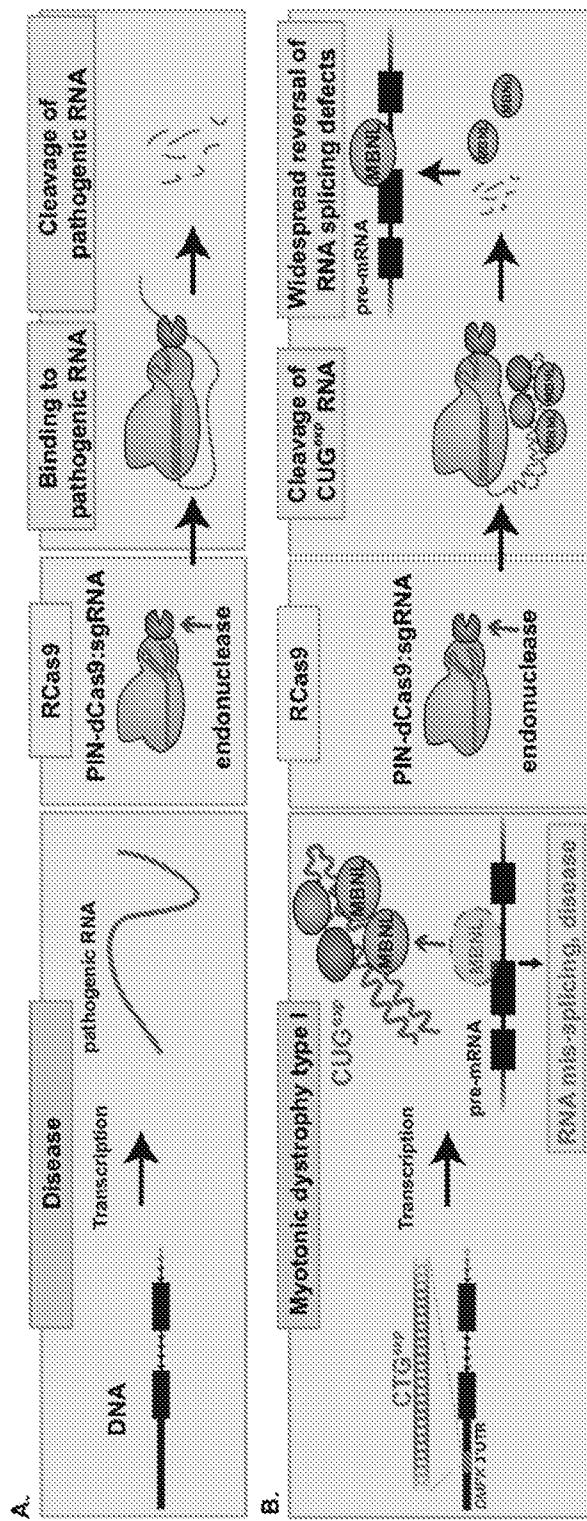


FIGURE 2

# A Modular Therapeutic Platform

*Genetic disease is most safely and broadly treated effectively addressed on the level of RNA*

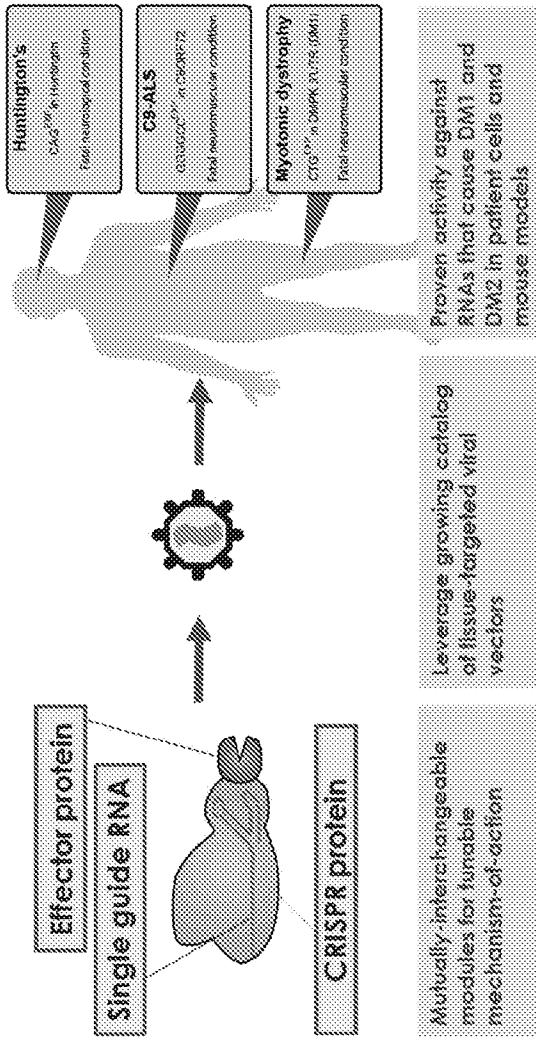


FIGURE 3A

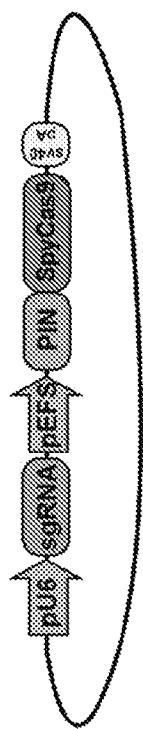
High expression positive control: "pos control"



Two plasmid system with PIN-SpyCas9 driven by a highly-active CMV promoter. This promoter is 5-20X as active as EFs.

FIGURE 3B

Low expression positive control: "p13"



Single plasmid system with lower expression of the fusion. Same architecture as the fusions involving new endonucleases

FIGURE 4A

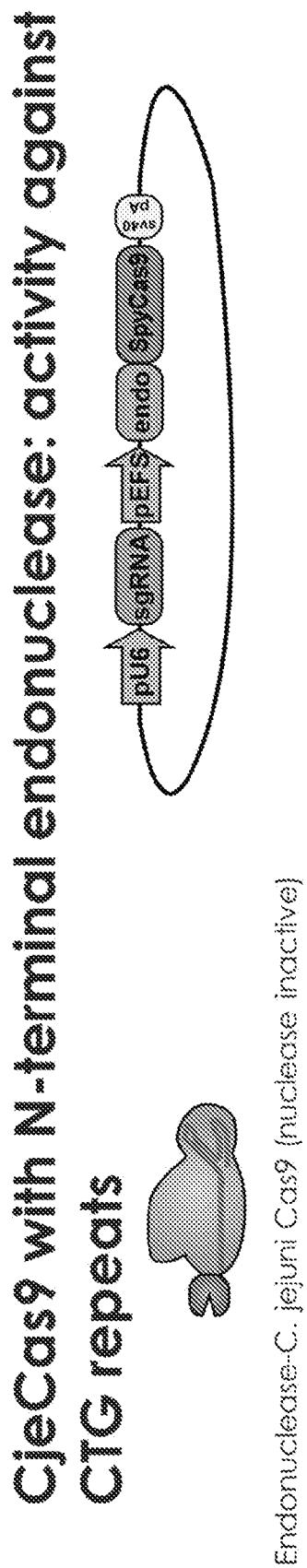


FIGURE 4B

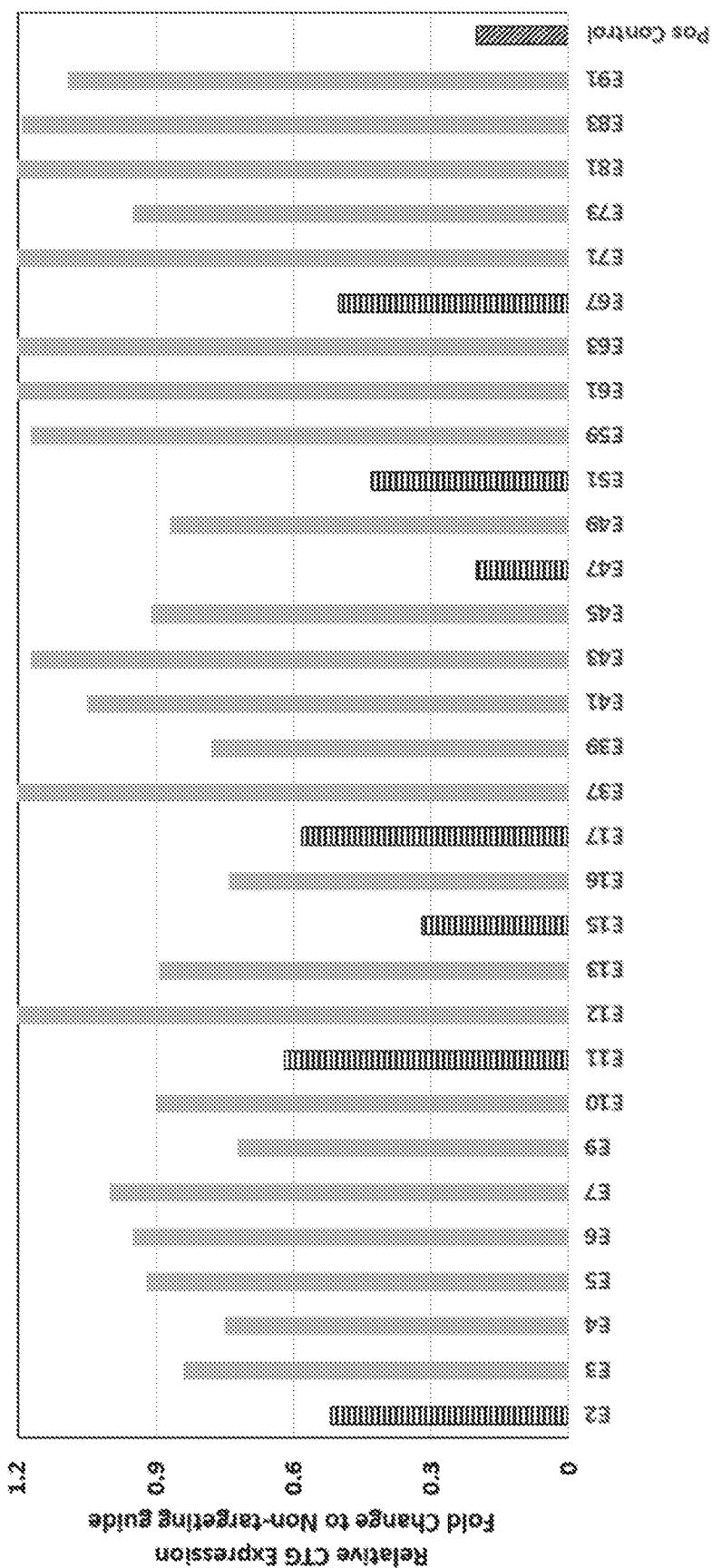


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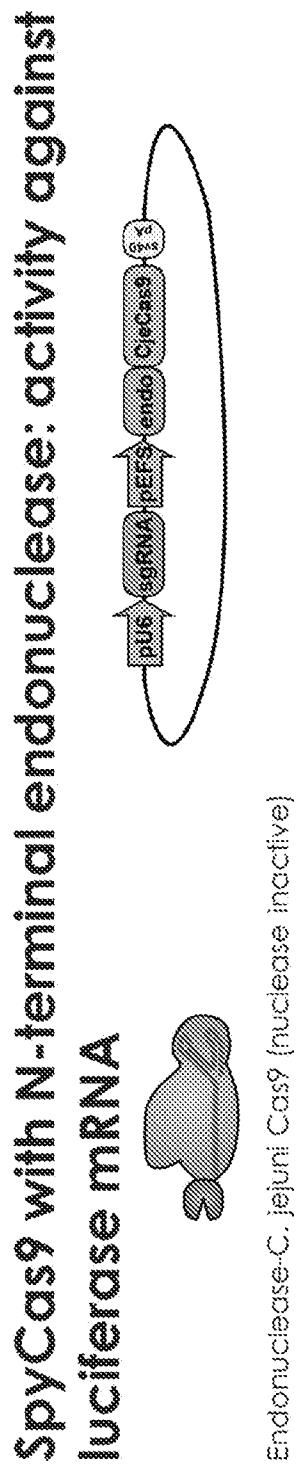


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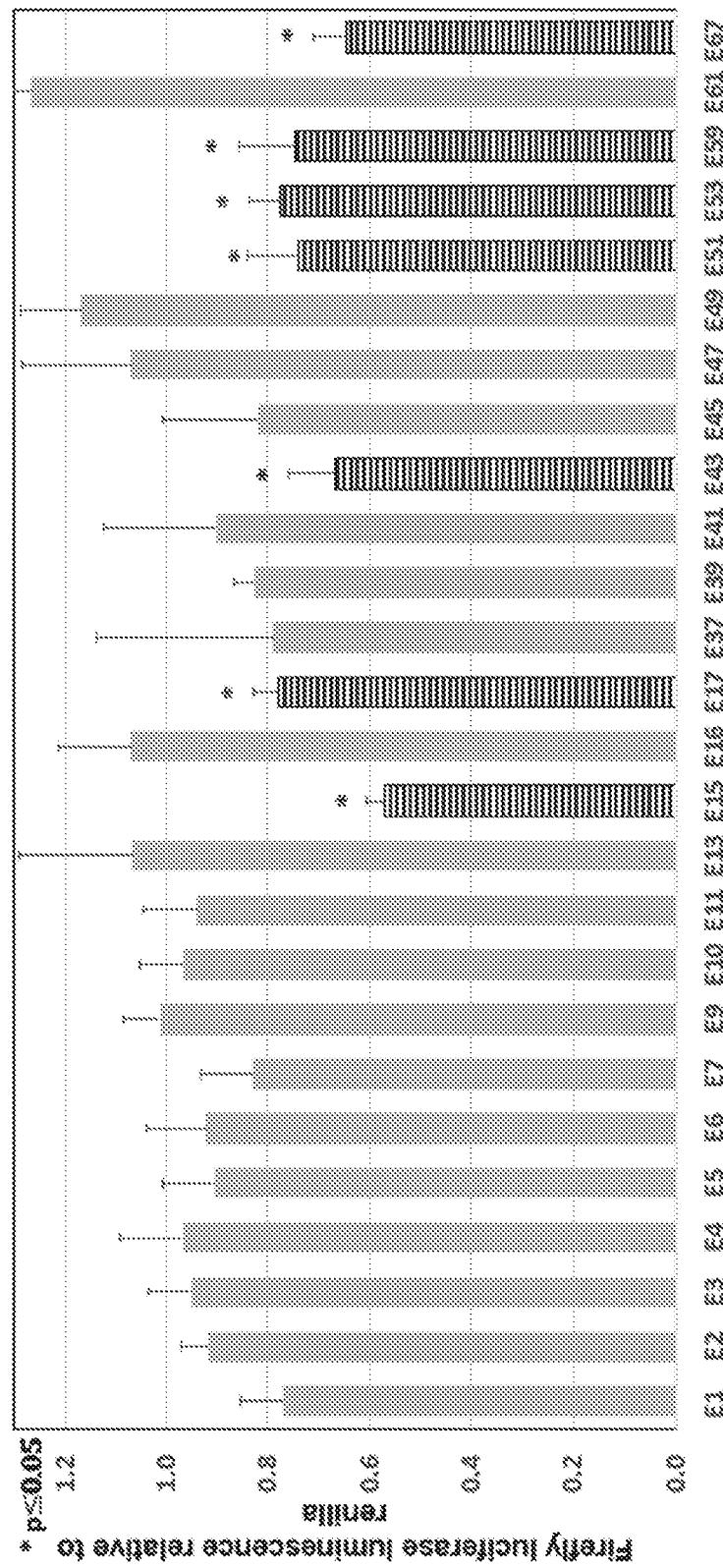


FIGURE 6

## Endonuclease Name Key

E1	RNAseI	E23	EX26
E2	RNAse4	E25	ZC3H13D
E3	RNAse5	E37	ERN2
E4	NOB1	E59	ENOCG
E5	EndoV	E81	PEL1
E6	FEN1	E83	YBEY
E7	SICEN24	E85	ENDO2
E8	LACTB2	E87	CPSF4
E9	RNAse7	E89	HCG_2002731
E10	RNAse8	E91	HCG_2002731
E11	RNAse2	E93	ERCC1
E12	ANG	E95	RAC1
E13	HKSP1L2	E97	APEX2
E14	RNAse6p1	E99	APEX2_3-50
E15	RNAseI	E81	RAA1_25-36
E16	RNAse12	E83	RAB1
E17	ZC3H12A	E85	RNAseK
E37	RIDA	E87	DNA2_FL
E39	RNAse11	E89	RNAseL{Y40R}
E41	PDL6	E91	RNAseL{Y40E}
E43	NTHL1	E93	RNAseL{Y19R}
E45	KIAA0391	E95	RNAseL{Y39D}, H67T, N88A, G88D, R91D, H119W, K41R, Q121E
E47	APEX1	E97	RNAseL{Q23D}, H67D, N88A, G88D, R91D, H119W, K41R, Q121E
E49	Ago2	E99	RNAseL{Q23D}, H67D, N88A, G88D, R91D
E51	ZC3H12A	E81	RNAseL{Q23D}, H67D, N88A, G88D, R91D

FIGURE 7A

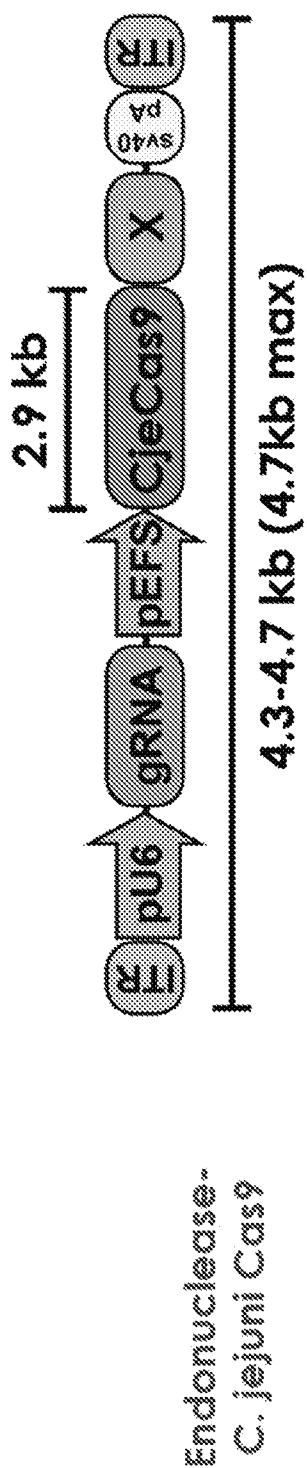


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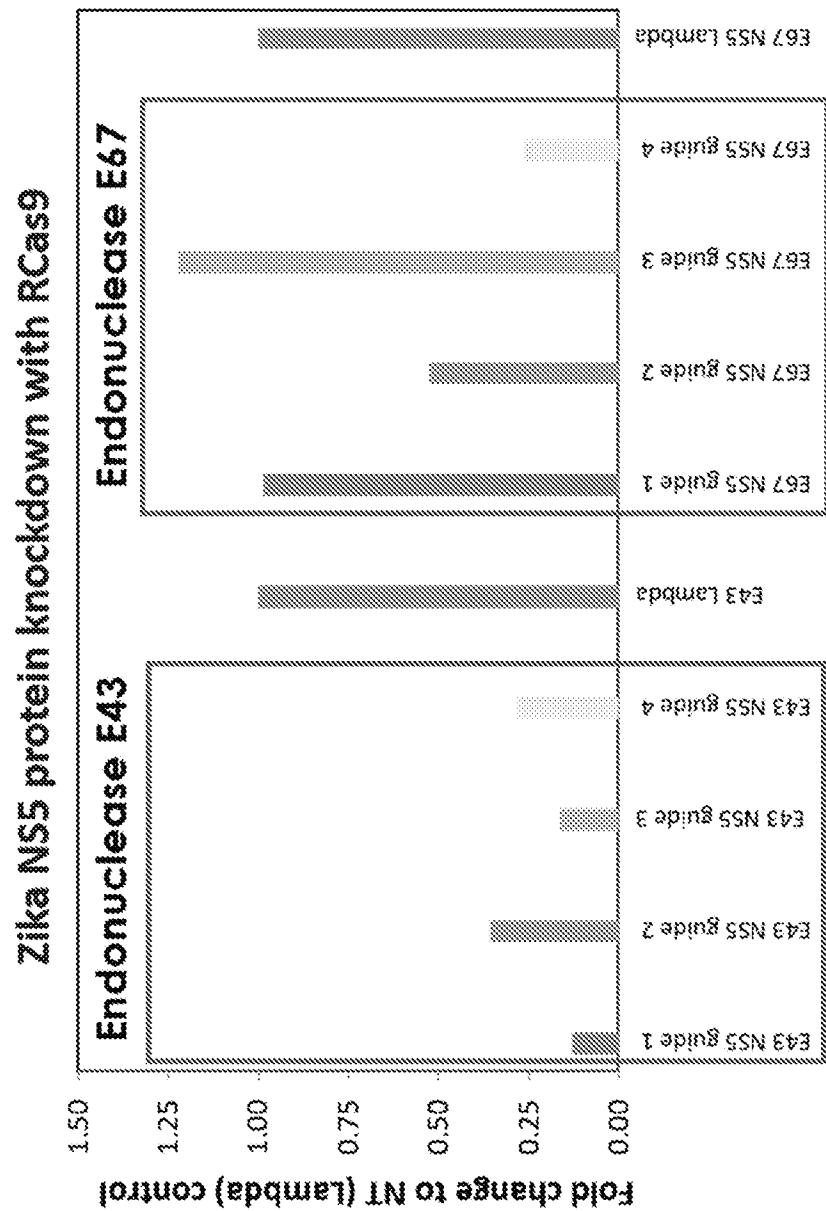


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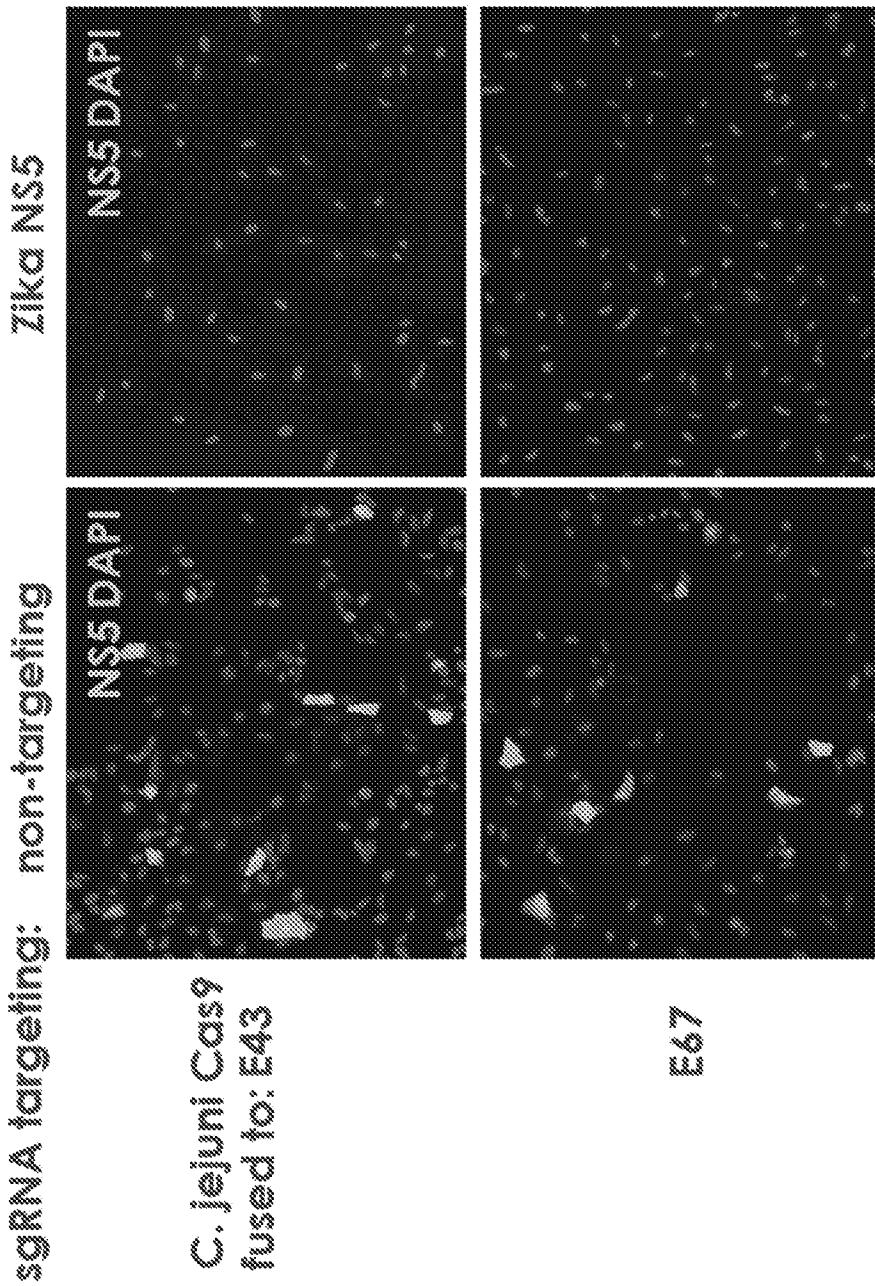


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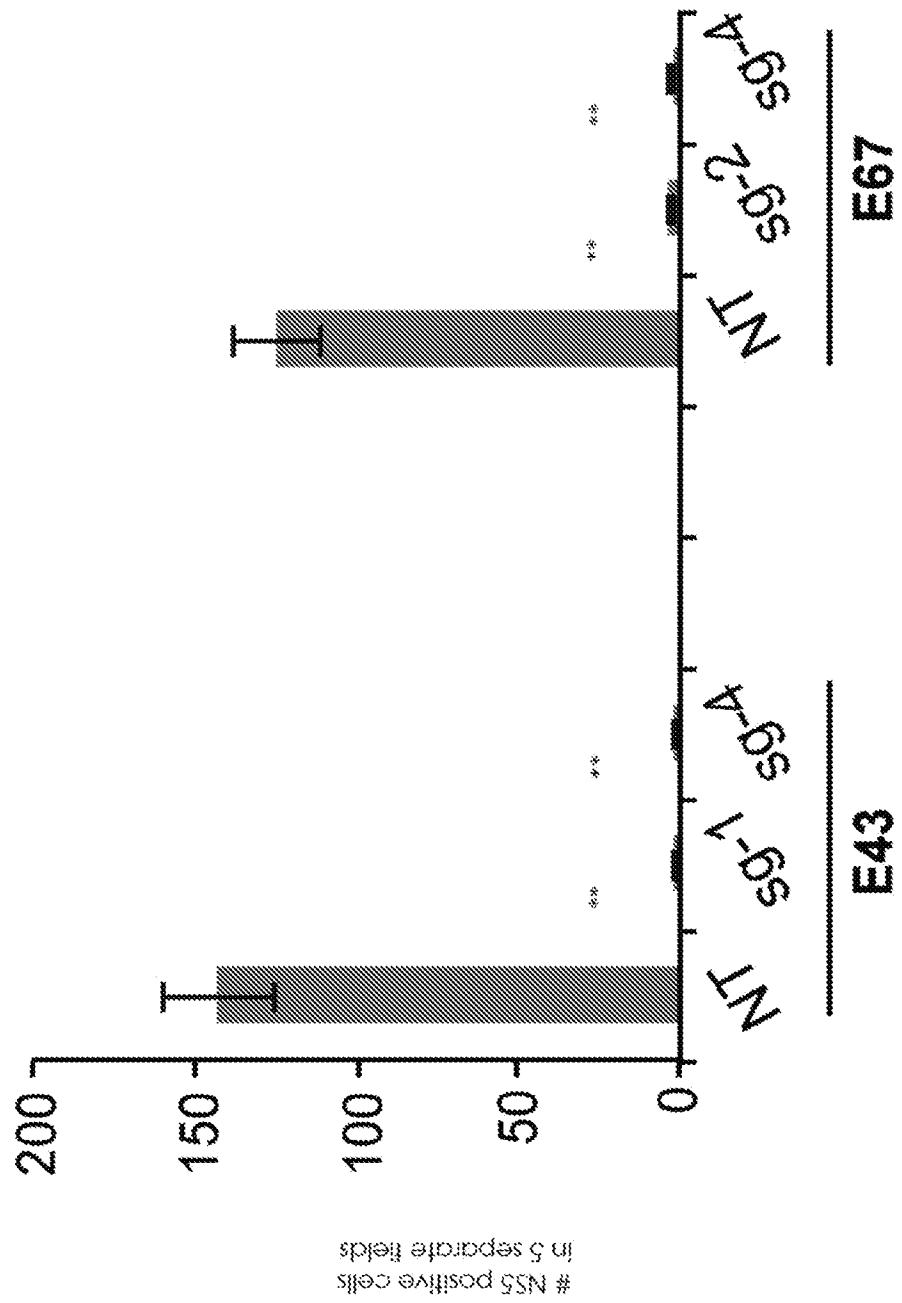
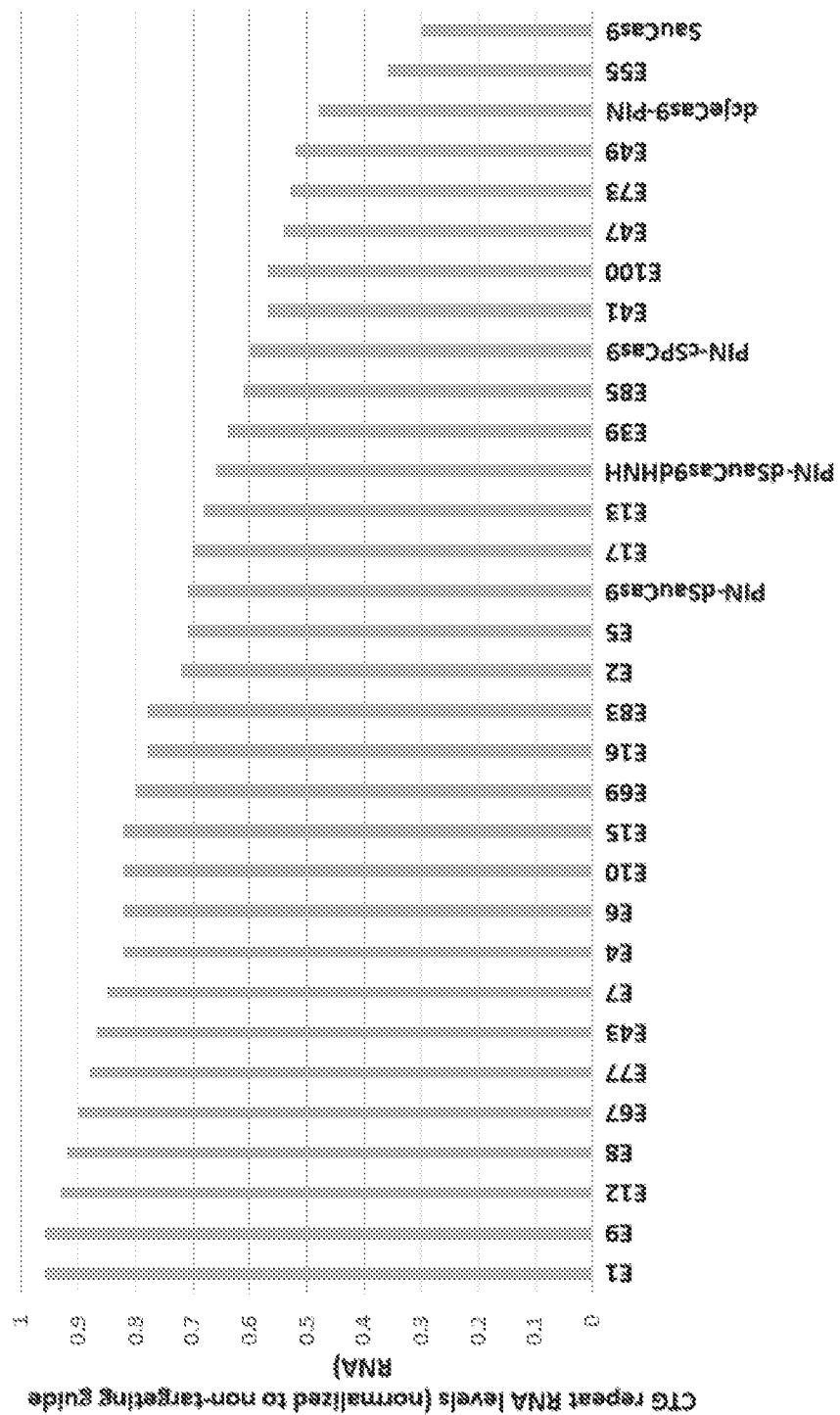


FIGURE 9



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