Description

NLRP3 detects uric acid and extracellular ATP in damaged tissue and interacts with a pro-apoptotic protein that recruits caspases. This complex is also an upstream activator of NF-kB signaling and triggers an immune response as part of the innate immune system. Mutations in NLRP3 are known to cause autoinflammatory and neuroinflammatory diseases, such as Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, and prion disease.

The NLRP3 CRISPR/Cas9 Lentiviruses are replication incompetent, HIV-based VSV-G pseudo-typed lentiviral particles ready to infect most types of mammalian cells, including primary and non-dividing cells. The particles contain a CRISPR/Cas9 gene driven by an EF1A promoter, along with 5 sgRNA (single guide RNA) targeting human NLRP3 (Figure 1 and Table 1), allowing the knockdown of NLRP3 in transduced cells.

The DNA transduced by the integrating lentivirus integrates randomly into the cellular genome to express both Cas9 and sgRNA. Puromycin selection increases the knockout efficiency by forcing high expression levels of both Cas9 and the sgRNA, and can be used with the integrating lentivirus to quickly and easily achieve high knockdown efficiencies in a cell pool. Knockdown efficiencies also depend on the cell type.

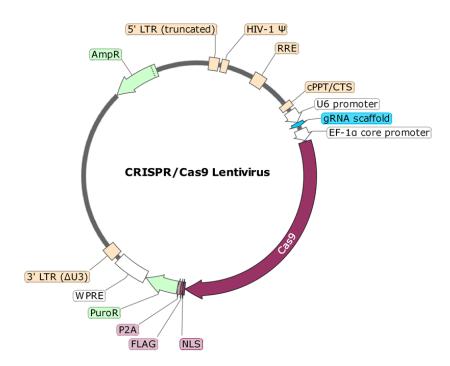


Figure 1: Schematic of the lenti-vector used to generate the NLRP3 CRISPR/Cas9 Lentivirus.

Gene Target:	sgRNA Sequence:	
NLRP3	GGTGCCTTTGACGAGCACAT	
NLRP3	AAAAGAGATGAGCCGAAGTG	
NLRP3	GTTCTATATCCACTGTCGAG	
NLRP3	AGAGATTGATCTCAATCTTG	
NLRP3	GAAGACAGGAATGCCCGTCT	

Table 1: List of sgRNA Sequences in the NLRP3 CRISPR/Cas9 Lentivirus.



Application(s)

- Transient knockdown of NLRP3 in target cells
- Generation of a stable NLRP3 knockout cell line following puromycin selection and limiting dilution cloning

Formulation

The lentivirus particles were produced from HEK293T cells. They are supplied in cell culture medium containing 90% DMEM + 10% FBS.

Titer

Two vials (500 μ l x 2) of lentivirus at a titer \geq 1 x 10⁷ TU/ml. The titer will vary with each lot; the exact value is provided with each shipment.

Storage



Lentiviruses are shipped with dry ice. For long-term storage, it is recommended to store the lentiviruses at -80°C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles. Titers can drop significantly with each freeze-thaw cycle.

Biosafety



The lentiviruses are produced with the SIN (self-inactivation) lentivector which ensures self-inactivation of the lentiviral construct after transduction and after integration into the genomic DNA of the target cells. None of the HIV genes (gag, pol, rev) will be expressed in the transduced cells, as they are expressed from packaging plasmids lacking the packing signal and are not present in the lentivirus particle. Although the pseudotyped lentiviruses are replication-incompetent, they require the use of a Biosafety Level 2 facility. BPS Bioscience recommends following all local federal, state, and institutional regulations and using all appropriate safety precautions.

Figures and Validation Data

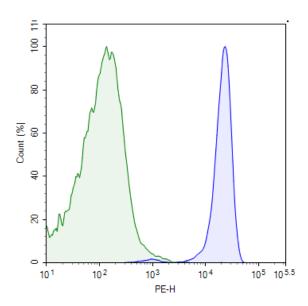


Figure 2: Knockdown of NLRP3 in THP-1 cells using NLRP3 CRISPR/Cas9 Lentivirus.

THP-1 cells were transduced via spinoculation with 8 x 10^7 TU/well of NLRP3 CRISPR/Cas9 lentivirus, corresponding to an MOI of approximately 5-10. 48 hours after transduction, cells were selected with 0.5 µg/ml puromycin, stained with PE-labeled anti-human NLRP3 polyclonal antibody (Invitrogen #79740), and analyzed by flow cytometry. Non-transduced, parental THP-1 cells are shown in blue, and the transduced cells are shown in green.



Troubleshooting Guide

Visit bpsbioscience.com/lentivirus-faq for detailed troubleshooting instructions. For all further questions, please email support@bpsbioscience.com.

License Disclosure

The CRISPR/CAS9 technology is covered under numerous patents, including U.S. Patent Nos. 8,697,359 and 8,771,945, as well as corresponding foreign patents applications, and patent rights.

Related Products

Products	Catalog #	Size
CTLA4 CRISPR/Cas9 Lentivirus (Non-Integrating)	78061	500 μl x 2
CTLA4 CRISPR/Cas9 Lentivirus (Integrating)	78054	500 μl x 2
TIGIT CRISPR/Cas9 Lentivirus (Non-Integrating)	78065	500 μl x 2
TIGIT CRISPR/Cas9 Lentivirus (Integrating)	78058	500 μl x 2
CD47 CRISPR/Cas9 Lentivirus (Non-Integrating)	78063	500 μl x 2
CD47 CRISPR/Cas9 Lentivirus (Integrating)	78056	500 μl x 2
FCGR2A CRISPR/Cas9 Lentivirus (Non-Integrating)	78538	500 μl x 2
FCGR2A CRISPR/Cas9 Lentivirus (Integrating)	78537	500 μl x 2
TGFBR2 CRISPR/Cas9 Lentivirus (Non-Integrating)	78536	500 μl x 2
TGFBR2 CRISPR/Cas9 Lentivirus (Integrating)	78535	500 μl x 2

