

# TRM: Mouse Models of Cryopyrin Associated Periodic Syndromes (Nlrp3<sup>tm1Hhf</sup>, Nlrp3<sup>tm2Hhf</sup>, Nlrp3<sup>tm3Hhf</sup>)

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## BRIEF DESCRIPTION

Cryopyrin (NALP3) mediates formation of the inflammasome, a protein complex responsible for cleavage of pro-IL-1 $\beta$  to its active form. Mutations in the cryopyrin gene, *NLRP3*, cause the autoinflammatory disease spectrum: cryopyrin-associated periodic syndromes (CAPS). The central role of IL-1 $\beta$  in CAPS is supported by the remarkable response to IL-1 targeted therapy.

## TECHNOLOGY DESCRIPTION

Researchers from UC San Diego describe three different knock-in/out mice, each with a specific mutation associated with different disease phenotypes relating to cryopyrin associated periodic syndroms: familial cold autoinflammatory syndrome, Muckle Wells Syndrome and neonatal onset multisystem inflammatory disease.

These knock-in mice Nlrp3<sup>tm1Hhf</sup> (also known as Nlrp3<sup>A350VneoR</sup>) contain a floxed neomycin cassette (neoR) in opposite orientation to a mutated *Nlrp3* gene resembling the human mutation associated with Muckle-Wells syndrome. When bred to mice that express Cre recombinase to delete the floxed-neoR, the mutant gene is expressed in *cre*-expressing tissues of the offspring. These mice may be useful in studying the role of cryopyrin in the regulation of autoinflammatory diseases. (Jackson Lab Cat. No. 017969)

These Nlrp3<sup>tm2Hhf</sup> (also known as *Nlrp3*<sup>L351PneoR</sup>) mice serve as a constitutive knockout of the *Nlrp3* gene. In the presence of cre recombinase however, a transcript encoding a L351P mutation is produced. This line may be useful in studying the role of cryopyrin in the regulation of autoinflammatory diseases. (Jackson Lab Cat. No. 017970)

These *Nlrp3*<sup>tm3Hhf</sup> (or *Nlrp3*<sup>D301NneoR</sup>) knock-in mice serve as a constitutive knock-out of the *Nlrp3* gene. This line may be useful in studying the role of cryopyrin in the regulation of autoinflammatory diseases. (Jackson Lab Cat. No. 017971)

## STATE OF DEVELOPMENT

The mice are designated Tangible Research Material (TRM). A complete description, including genotyping, phenotyping, etc is found at :The Jackson Lab cat. No. 017969 <https://www.jax.org/strain/017969>; <https://www.jax.org/strain/017970>; <https://www.jax.org/strain/017971>

## SUGGESTED USES

These mouse models allow genetic studies of the human disease as well as to study pharmacologic compounds that may be useful for treatment.

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## OTHER INFORMATION

### KEYWORDS

Mice, NLRP3 Inflammasome, cryopyrin, innate immunity, PAMP, caspase-1

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