CRISPR-CAS EFFECTOR POLYPEPTIDES AND METHODS OF USE THEREOF ("CAS-VARIPHI")

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PATENT STATUS

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION

CRISPR-Cas systems include Cas proteins, which are involved in acquisition, targeting and cleavage of foreign DNA or RNA, and a guide RNA(s), which includes a segment that binds Cas proteins and a segment that binds to a target nucleic acid. For example, Class 2 CRISPR-Cas systems comprise a single Cas protein bound to a guide RNA, where the Cas protein binds to and cleaves a targeted nucleic acid. The programmable nature of these systems has facilitated their use as a versatile technology for use in modification of target nucleic acid.

UC Berkeley researchers have discovered a novel family of proteins (CasVariPhi) that utilize a guide RNA to perform RNA-directed cleavage of nucleic acids. Viral and microbial (cellular) genomes were assembled from a variety of environmental and animal microbiome sources, and variants of a novel and previously unknown Cas protein family were uncovered from the sequences decoded.

SUGGESTED USES

- gene editing of bacterial, archaeal, and eukaryotic cells
- transcription repression of specific genes using inactivated CasVariPhi
- targeting of proteins bound to CasVariPhi to a specific locus of a genome
- diagnostic applications via trans-cleavage activity

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ADDITIONAL TECHNOLOGIES BY THESE INVENTORS

- Methods and Compositions for Using Argonaute to Modify a Single-Stranded Target Nucleic Acid
- COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR IDENTIFYING HOST CELL TARGET PROTEINS FOR TREATING RNA VIRUS INFECTIONS
- Cas9 Variants With Altered DNA Cleaving Activity
- Cas12-mediated DNA Detection Reporter Molecules
- Improved guide RNA and Protein Design for CasX-based Gene Editing Platform
- Cas13a/C2c2 - A Dual Function Programmable RNA Endonuclease
- Methods For High Signal-To-Noise Imaging Of Chromosomal Loci In Cells Using Fluorescent Cas9
- A Dual-RNA Guided Cas2 Gene Editing Technology
- MODULATORS OF TYPE VI-D CRISPR-CAS EFFECTOR POLYPEPTIDES AND METHODS OF USE THEREOF
- A Protein Inhibitor Of Cas9
- Small Cas9 Protein Inhibitor
- Split-Cas9 For Regulatable Genome Engineering
- Decorating Chromatin for Precise Genome Editing Using CRISPR
- Optimized Virus-like Particles for Cas9 RNPs & Transgene/HDR Template Delivery
- CRISPR-CAS EFFECTOR POLYPEPTIDES AND METHODS OF USE THEREOF ("Cas-Theta")
- COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR INCREASING HOMOLOGY-DIRECTED REPAIR
- CRISPR CASY COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS OF USE
- Single Conjunctive Vector for Genome Editing by RNA-guided Transposition