

CRISPR-Cas9: A detail on specific tool for gene editing or targeting

Abstracts:

Objective - The applicability in reverse genetics studies, animal model experiments and also in curing diseases caused by viruses like HIV makes CRISPR-Cas9 system a highly desirable technique with the ability to achieve quick plausible outcomes. The bacterial cells chop up the viral genome. And take pieces of this and it search of these pieces of spacer DNA. The spacer DNA is nothing but pieces of different viral genome. That has infected the cell previously. So each time of bacteriophage infect the cell take it pieces and search of spacer DNA. The interference is between the specific Cas protein and RNA Sequence are going to be merge together. the Crispr system is somehow like adopted immune system in human. So it kind of memory to prevent this same bacteriophage for infecting the cell other time.

Purpose (Hypothesis) – The main purpose of this article describe to Genome editing is enabled by the development of tools to make precise, targeted changes to the genome of living cells.

Method (Technique) - CRISPR-Cas9.

Conclusion-The CRISPR-Cas9 is the key of genetic revaluation era. This tool will be change method to studying the genetic code. In this review both in modeling and the CRISPR/Cas9 system have emerged as a feasible tool to achieve what has seemed impossible for decades.

Summary:

1. Introduction
2. Mechanism
3. Application
4. Benefits
5. Conclusion

Keywords: CRISPR- Cas9, Bacteria's, Viruses, DNA and RNA.

Abbreviations: CRISPR: Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeat, PAM: Protospacer Adjacent Motif, NHEJ: Non-Homologous End Joining, DNA: Deoxyribonucleic acid, RNA: Ribonucleic acid, TALEN: transcription-activator likes effector nucleases, ZFN: zinc-finger nucleases.

Introduction:

What is CRISPR-Cas9?

Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeat or CRISPR are a clustered family of short repeats of DNA that forms an integral component of the prokaryotic (bacteria and archaea) adaptive immune system. The study on CRISPR/Cas9 system began with the findings of

38 repetitive segments of DNA in *E. coli* in the year 1987 but their function was confirmed later on
39 by Barrangou and coworkers in 2007.

40

41 **CRISPR System:** The discovery of the CRISPR loci began in 1987 when Ishino et al. [1] This
42 System is firstly found in prokaryotic or bacterial cell. The Crispr system is like a type of
43 immune system in prokaryotic or bacterial cell. It was found in the bacteria and archaea to
44 adaptive immune system in vertebrates, providing a genetic library (memory) of phages and
45 plasmids that previously have invaded the bacteria. This resistance against foreign nucleic acids
46 after the subsequent infection is assured due to the enzymatic activity of the Cas proteins [2].
47 Various approaches have been taken to enhance HDR in order to improve the rate of high-
48 fidelity genome edits. Both of the above-mentioned DNA repair pathways compete with each
49 other and, therefore, the inhibition of NHEJ can increase the rate of HDR Maruyama et.al. [3].

50

51

- **Crispr locus:** Crispr locus is the repeats of DNA. This repeats first upon short and
52 secondary of palindromic. The palindromic mean that if read it left to right and right
53 to left in the end of the same sequences. And there repeats it regularly interspace it
54 mean that they're spacer DNA between them and this spacer DNA's are regular.

55

56

- **DNA repeats with spacer DNA between:** so this we called Crispr locus. Crispr
57 repeats are between 27 and 37 bp and spacer DNA is between 32-38 bp.

58

59

- **CRISPR System work:** The bacteriophage is virus and this virus can infect the
60 bacterial cell. It attaches the bacterial cell then injects the genome in bacterial cell.
61 Now this viral genome to produce viral protein and viral enzyme and then it will
62 change whole change machinery in the bacterial cell. Now the bacterial cell because
63 crisper system can prevent happen in second time. so the Crispr system is somehow
64 like adopted immune system in human. So it kind of memory to prevent this same
65 bacteriophage for infecting the cell other time.

66

67 **Mechanism:**

68 **Immune system:** The CRISPR System is three step mechanism.

69

70 **A. Spacer Acquisition:**

71 The Spacer Acquisition in the same three different types of Crispr system. The bacteriophage
72 infected cell for first time. The bacterial cells chop up the viral genome. And take pieces of this
73 and it search of these pieces of spacer DNA. The spacer DNA is nothing but pieces of different
74 viral genome. That has infected the cell previously. So each time of bacteriophage infect the cell
75 take it pieces and search of spacer DNA. In near of Crispr locus Cas genes (Cas-enzymes) are
76 many enzymes and many enzymes are implicated in the Crispr process. The Cas enzymes in
77 general are nucleases or helicases. it cut the link of nucleotide. Well helicases can cut the H- bond
78 between the two strands can separate the DNA from each other. Most of the Cas-enzymes are
79 nucleases and helicases in the spacer acquisition we have two main players – Cas1 and Cas2.

80 Both of them are dimers that can form complex together.

81

82 **Cas1:** It can be has nuclease and integrase activity so it can cut the viral genome and integrate
83 the piece of genome the spacer DNA.

84

85 **Cas2:** its Endoribonucleases Cas2 mainly cut to RNAs.

86

87 **B. CrRNA Processing:** CrRNA is Crispr RNA processing it have Crispr locus different pieces
88 of bacteriophages of spacer DNA. One of the two strands of DNA to transcribe in to mRNA.
89 Now this mRNA is exactly complementary to lower strand so it content complementary
90 sequences.

91 So there are three types:

92 **Type 1:** Crispr loop and then the mRNA will be cut choosing cas6 or cas6f enzyme. Mrna this
93 sequences going to be chopped up like this. These small pieces are the CrRNA.

94 **Type 2:** To we have another player in this Crispr processing is called tracrRNA (Trans activating
95 crispr RNA). There this pieces of RNA which are bound to the Crispr Sequences mRNA and then
96 the mRNA is chopped up by Cas9 and RNase3.

97 **Type 3:** It cas6 Homolog is going to chop up them mRNA in directly end up the CrRNAs.
98 Containing the Crispr Repeats and viral genome.

99

100 **C. Interference:** In general CrRNA will be integrated will Cas protein to end up to the complex
101 containing the Cas protein which the pieces of RNA inside the which the RNA. The interference
102 is between the specific Cas protein and RNA Sequence are going to be merge together. The
103 Differences between three types-

104

105 **Type 1:** The Crispr Sequence is loop then was going to happen phase to bacteriophage infect cell
106 another time so as a told you in bacteriophage infect the cell in first time this pieces was taken
107 from this phase and now this phase comes another time to infect the cell. this pieces of RNA can
108 recognized this pieces of DNA because its complementary.

109 **PAM (Protospacer adjacent motif):** the bacterial cell chooses the pieces of viral genome to take
110 it to adjacent of PAM sequences. So the bacterial cell can recognized the PAM sequences and
111 then it take the adjacent sequence in order to add to spacer DNA to order to RNA and CRISPR
112 Complex.

113 **Cas3:** the cas3 will chop up and cut the viral genome end of the degraded. so the virus can't in
114 way the cells any more this virus can not the cell any more.

115

116 **Type 2:** This is most important role play in the cas9. The RNA complementary of lower strand
117 they will bind together and then the Cas enzyme itself. The double strand breaks in viral
118 sequences in the double strand mean that Cas9 will break the two strands of DNA exactly at the
119 same place it's called double strand break. The Cas enzyme has two domain. It's called HNH,
120 RuvC and RNaseH-like endonuclease domains.

121

122 **Type 3:** The RNA sequences recognize its complementary the viral genome and they will be
123 bind together cascade cas9 and viral genome will be chopped up.

124

125 **Application:**

126 Genome editing is enabled by the development of tools to make precise, targeted changes to the
127 genome of living cells. The modification of targeted genome – zinc-finger nucleases (ZFNs) and
128 transcription-activator like effector nucleases (TALENs) – enable researchers to generate
129 mutations by introducing double-stranded breaks to activate repair pathways. These approaches

130 are costly and time consuming to engineer, limiting their widespread use, particularly for large
131 scale, high-throughput studies. Recently, methods based on a bacterial CRISPR-associated
132 protein-9 nuclease (Cas9) from *Streptococcus pyogenic* have generated considerable excitement.
133 CRISPR (Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats) and CRISPR-associated
134 (Cas) genes are essential for adaptive immunity in select bacteria and archaea, enabling the
135 organisms to respond to and eliminate invading genetic material.

136

137 **Benefits:**

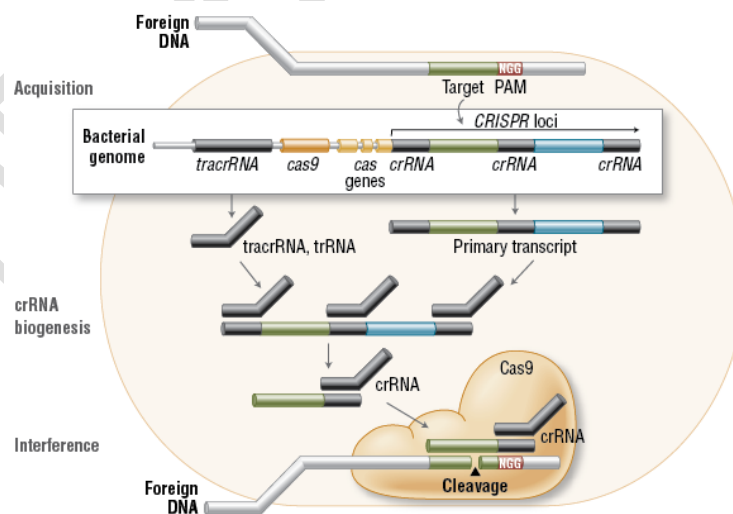
- 138 • **Low Cost** - Plasmid DNA is a renewable, cost-effective format.
- 139 • **Flexibility** - Cas9 and guide RNA plasmids are suitable for stable or transient
140 transfection.
- 141 • **Ease-of-use** - Guide RNA oligonucleotide format enables simple retargeting of Cas9 to
142 different loci.
- 143 • **DNA Free** - No risk of insertional mutagenesis.
- 144 • **High Efficiency Delivery** - Deliver Cas9/gRNA complexes to multiple cell types,
145 including hard to transfect cells such as immune and stem cells.

146 **Discussion:** The discussions of the study indicate that CRISPR is very usefully tool in genetic
147 engineering. It's capable to change in desirable gene and help to curing genetic disorder and
148 many more diseases. So it's very important Pandora box of human discovery.

149

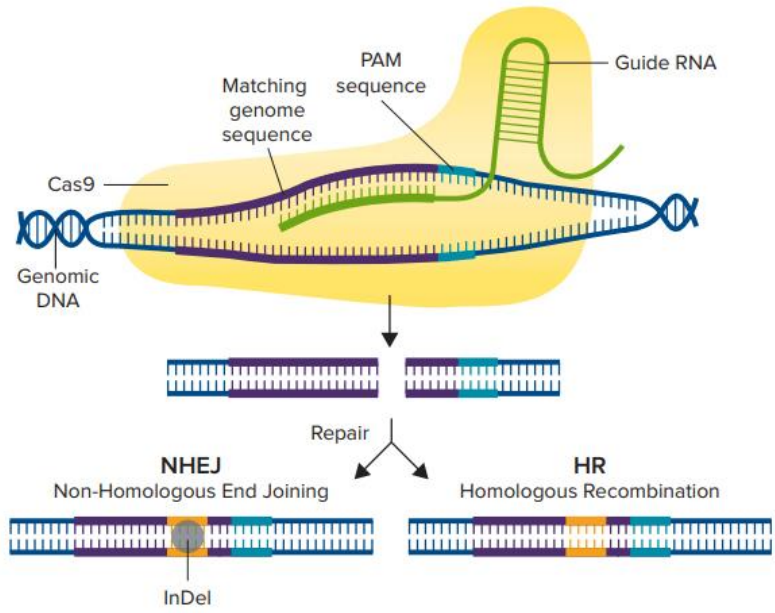
Graphical Abstracts

150



151

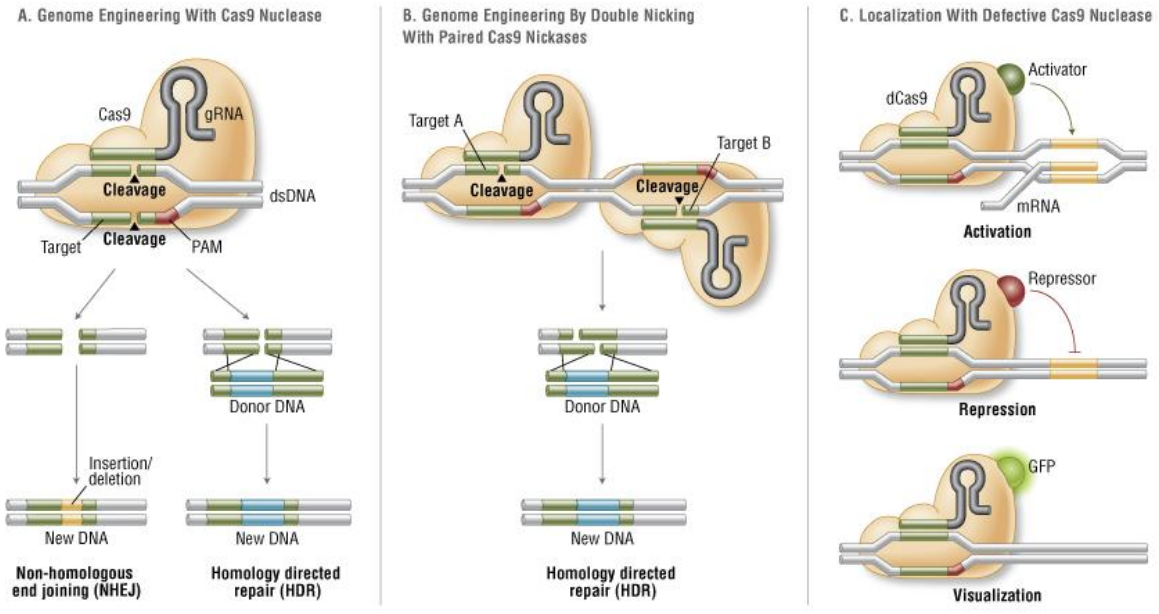
152 Figure 1: In the acquisition phase, foreign DNA is incorporated into the bacterial genome at the CRISPR locus. The
153 CRISPR locus is then transcribed and processed into crRNA during crRNA biogenesis. During interference, Cas
154 endonuclease complexed with crRNA cleaves foreign DNA containing a crRNA complementary sequence adjacent
155 to the PAM sequence.



[4]

156
157
158
159
160
161

Figure 2. CRISPR/Cas9 Mechanism. The Cas9 enzyme is activated by first binding to a guide RNA, then binding to the matching genomic sequence that immediately precedes 3-nucleotide PAM sequence. The Cas9 enzyme then creates a double-strand break, and either the NHEJ or the HDR pathway is used to repair the DNA, resulting in an edited gene sequence.



[5]

162
163
164
165
166

Figure: 3 CRISPR/Cas9 System Applications

167 **Conclusion:** The CRISPR-Cas9 is the key of genetic revaluation era. This tool will be change
168 method to studying the genetic code. It's had to be research and studying in the genome editing
169 and improve many diseases. CRISPR will help to designing the new baby, improved disorder
170 and focus to the targeting gene and CRISPR Specific protein immunity against mobile genetic
171 elements with spacer sequences chronicled in the CRISPR locus. Finally summarized in this
172 review both in modeling and the CRISPR/Cas9 system have emerged as a feasible tool to
173 achieve what has seemed impossible for decades.

174 **Author Contribution:** Mr. Lokendra Singh reporting Biotechnologist preparation of
175 manuscript, Gaurav Bilwal, Kuldeep Singh Rajawat and Dr. Deepak Goadra reviewed this
176 manuscript.

177 **Conflicts of Interest:** The authors declare no conflict of interest.

178 **COMPETING INTERESTS DISCLAIMER:**

179 **Authors have declared that no competing interests exist. The products used for this**
180 **research are commonly and predominantly use products in our area of research and**
181 **country. There is absolutely no conflict of interest between the authors and producers of**
182 **the products because we do not intend to use these products as an avenue for any**
183 **litigation but for the advancement of knowledge. Also, the research was not funded by**
184 **the producing company rather it was funded by personal efforts of the authors.**

185

186 **References:**

- 187 1. Ishino, Y.; Shinagawa, H.; Makino, K.; Amemura, M.; Nakata, A. Nucleotide sequence
188 of the iap gene, responsible for alkaline phosphatase isozyme conversion in Escherichia
189 coli, and identification of the gene product. J. Bacteriol. 1987, 169, 5429–5433.
190 [CrossRef] [PubMed]
- 191 2. Barrangou, R.; Fremaux, C.; Deveau, H.; Richards, M.; Boyaval, P.; Moineau, S.;
192 Romero, D.A.; Horvath, P. CRISPR provides acquired resistance against viruses in
193 prokaryotes. Science 2007, 315, 1709–1712. [CrossRef] [PubMed]
- 194 3. Maruyama, T.; Dougan, S.K.; Truttmann, M.C.; Bilate, A.M.; Ingram, J.R.; Ploegh, H.L.
195 Increasing the efficiency of precise genome editing with CRISPR-Cas9 by inhibition of
196 nonhomologous end joining. Nat. Biotechnol. 2015, 33, 538–542. [CrossRef] [PubMed]
- 197 4. validate-crispr-edited-cells-using-imaging-and-western-blot-detection-on-a-microplate-
198 reader, Available at: www.moleculardevices.com
- 199 5. Alex Reis, Bitesize (2014) CRISPR/Cas9 & Targeted Genome Editing: New Era in
200 Molecular Biology , NEB expressions Issue I, 2014.

201