Supplementary Information for

Expansion and Precise CRISPR-Cas9 Gene Repair of Autologous T Memory Stem Cells from Patients with T Cell Immunodeficiencies

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Figure S1. Two-part guide RNA (gRNA) hybridized to form a crRNA:tracr RNA complex. Schematic drawing of the RNA components of the Alt-R CRISPR-Cas9 System for directing Cas9 endonuclease to genomic targets (Integrated DNA Technologies, Inc. [IDT]). Alt-R CRISPR-Cas9 crRNAs are 36 nucleotide (nt) RNA oligos containing a (variable) 20 nt target-specific spacer region, along with a non-variable 16 nt domain complementary to tracrRNA. The 67 nt Alt-R CRISPR-Cas9 tracrRNA is shorter than the natural *S. pyogenes* tracrRNA and contains proprietary chemical modifications that confer increased nuclease resistance. The crRNA and tracrRNA molecules are annealed to each other and form a complex with Cas9 endonuclease enzymes.

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Figure S2. Guide RNA (gRNA) design with free CrispRGold software (Graf et al 2019). As an example we show the selection of input parameters for the human *PRF1* gene (National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) Gene ID 5551). Explanatory labels are given in red next to the red arrows.



Figure S3. Guide RNA (gRNA) design with free CrispRGold software (Graf et al 2019). Upper panel: Summary of input parameters (see also Figure S1.) Middle panel: Output of gRNA design request. Potential offtarget sites are hidden. gRNAs are ranked by the CrispRGold Specificity score. For targeting exon 3 of the *PRF1* gene, the gRNAs must be located within the coding part of exon 3 sequence (this corresponds to Coding Exon 2 ("Exon 2") in the CrispRGold software output; genomic coordinates 70,598,053 to 70,599,181). The Specificity score ideally should be ≥ 12 . Thus, the top 8 gRNAs positioned in Exon 2 in the output shown above are candidates to be chosen for gRNA efficiency testing. Lower panel: Optional output for "ready-to-order" oligos for cloning into mammalian sgRNA expression vectors (see also Figure S4). Explanatory labels are given in red next to the red arrows. Red arrow heads point to the gRNA PRF1.2 (see Table 1) and corresponding cloning oligos used in our study (Li et al 2024).

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PRF1_1	24	CTCGTAGCATCCGCAACGACTGG Top off-target sites T	+ + S + + S	chr10:70600516:70600538 Position chr20:41619215:41619236 chr21:416700714:16700735 chr21:1540487532:126448753 chr21:17170714v1 random:26545:26566 chr7:132509128:132509149	15.66 Mutbist 15 16 16 16 17	1 Nmut 4 4 4	2/2 Risk low low low low	70600521:70600522 Annotation (if relevant) Intergenic ESNP.Intron Intergenic Intergenic	0.228	55.88
PRF1_2	337	GGAGCTGGGTGGCCGCATATCGG Top off-target sites T.A.A.T.G.A. T.A.A.A.T.G.G.A. TG.T.CA.	Strand + + + +	<pre>chr10:70599018:70599040 Position chr5:5838464:5838485 chr5:52788844:62578705 chr15:21006768:2100576847 chr14:102776927:102776947 chr16:28938707:28938728</pre>	14.33 Mutbist 14 15 15 15	2 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	2/2 Risk low low low low	70599023:70599024 Annotation (if relevant) Intergenic TLM2.Intron;TLM2.RNA.Intron Intergenic CD19.CDS	0.417	57.93
PRF1_3	349	GATGAAGTGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGG Top off-target sites atc a.tc a.tc a.tc	+ + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +	<pre>chrl0:70599049:70599071 Position chrl1:20708369:20708390 chrl1:20708369:20708390 chrl0:88737387:9873748 chrl0:88737487 chrl0:8737387:9873748 chrl9:53210659:53210680</pre>	13.66 Mutbist 14 14 14 14 14	2 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	2/2 Risk low low low low	70599065:70599066 Amnotation (if relevant) NELL1.Intron Interganic HPSE2.Intron;HPSE2.RNA.Intron AMD3.Antron;SAMD3.RNA.Intron Intergenic	0.391	53.83
PRF1_4	298	AACCTACCGGGGGGGGGCGCCACTCGG Top off-target sites . A. T. A. G. . G. A. T. A. G. . C. A. C. A.	- + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +	<pre>chrl0:70598817:70598839 Position chr4:72590398:72590420 chr4:72227292923 chr12:2227292950 chr12:222229250 chr12:12:2222153;72224175 chr2:153507108:153507129 chrX:153507108:153507129</pre>	13.66 MutDist 14 14 14 14	2 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	2/2 Risk low low low low	70598822:70598823 Amnotation (if relevant) Intergenic CABLES1.Intron;CABLES1.RNA.Intron Intergenic SMARCA.Intron BGN.CDS	0.537	57.93
PRF1_5	304	Agrecccrccccgraderrrgg Top off-target sites 	d 1 + + + 1 + S + +	<pre>chr10:70598820:70598842 Position chr5:180133138:180133159 chr5:180133139:180133159 chr5:180133159 chr18:26549134154 chr29:127405050:123405072 chr20:32336766:33236786</pre>	13.33 MutDist 12 14 14 15 15	2 Nmut 3 3 3 3	2/2 Risk low low low low	7059836:70598837 Annotation (if relevant) RASGEFIC.Intron RASGEFIC.Intron RASGEFIC.Intron, RASGEFIC.Intron, RASGE.RNA.Intron, SLC2A8.RNA.Intron LARGE.RNA.Intron	0.529	57.93

Figure S4. Output of CrispRGold (Graf et al. 2019) gRNA design request with off-target sites shown in expanded mode. gRNAs are ranked by the CrispRGold Specificity score. It is desirable to choose gRNAs with a predicted low risk for off-target activity such as the gRNAs shown here. Off-targets in intergenic regions may be less critical than off-targets in gene loci. Explanatory labels are given in red next to the red arrows. A red arrow head points to the gRNA PRF1.2 (Table 1) used in our study Li et al 2024.



Figure S5. Cloning oligo nucleotides with *BbsI* sticky ends for gRNA standard vectors (pX330, MSCV retroviral vectors, etc.). As example we show annealed forward and reverse cloning oligos for the gRNA PRF1.2 (Table 1 and CrispRGold output shown in Figure S2, lower panel). The oligos must be phosphorylated at the 5'end before annealing. Bases colored in blue and set in italics correspond to cloning-compatible overhangs as configured by CrispRGold (Figure S2, lower panel). (Note that sticky ends from different *BbsI* sites may not be compatible.)



Figure S6. Analysis of the genome editing efficiency of the guide RNA PRF1.2 with the free web-based tool 'Inference of CRISPR edits' (ICE) (Conant et al 2022). Screenshots of the output of the ICE analysis tool (Syntego). Upper panel: Contributions of molecular species to the Sanger sequence in %. Lower panel: Sanger sequence traces with annotations. For a good guide RNA, the % of sequences with Indels should be above 60%. Explanatory labels are given in red next to the red arrows.



Figure S7. Plasmid map of the pAAV-GFP control vector. DNA donor templates for homology-directed repair (HDR) are cloned into this vector by 'one-step cloning' (Procedure part B.4). The pAAV-GFP vector is cut with NotI and the insert between the two NotI sites is replaced by the HDR DNA donor template (consisting of 5' and 3' homology arms flanking the codon-modified *PRF1* exon 3 or T2A-*PRF1*-cDNA). The intact pAAV-GFP control vector also serves as a positive control for AAV production (Procedure Part E). The packaging capacity of this vector is 4 to 4.6 kb (corresponding to the maximum fragment length in between the NotI sites).

pAAV-GFP Control Vector (Cell Biolabs Inc., cat. No. VPK-400)

https://www.cellbiolabs.com/paav-gfp-control-plasmid

Vector features: 1-130 Left inverted terminal repeat (ITR), 139-798 Cytomegalovirus (CMV) promoter, 806-1298 Human beta-globin intron, 1321-2061 Green Fluorescent Protein (GFP), 2120-2598 PolyA, 2638-2778 Right ITR, 3695-4555 Ampicillin Resistance.



Figure S8. Example of HDR, NHEJ and WT events after gene repair as determined by Sanger

sequencing. Sanger sequences were aligned to the respective reference sequences (top strands). Upper panel: The top sequence corresponds to the predicted 'codon-modified' exon 3 sequence of the *PRF1* gene (pos. 42 to 342; highlighted in orange). The bottom sequence corresponds to an HDR event (knock-in corresponding to a perfectly repaired allele): It perfectly matches the reference sequence. Lower panel: The top sequence corresponds to the 5' end of the native exon 3 of the *PRF1* gene (Gene ID 5551) (pos. 40 to 339; highlighted in dark red). The target site of the guide RNA (gPRF1.2) (Table 1) is highlighted in turquoise blue. The middle sequence corresponds to a non-targeted allele and matches the reference sequence. The bottom sequence corresponds to an NHEJ Indel event. The sequence carries a deletion (highlighted in bright red) overlapping the gRNA target site. In order to calculate the knock-in efficiencies shown in Table 2, events in each category (HDR, NHEJ, Non-targeted) are counted and expressed as % of total events.