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Patentkrav

1. Type II Clustered Regularly interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats (CRISPR)/CRISPR-assosiert protein 9 (Cas9)-system for innføring av dobbeltstrengede
5 brudd inn i en mål-DNA-sekvens i en pattedyrceelle, hvor Type II CRISPR/Cas9-systemet omfatter:
 - a. et Cas9-protein med et nukleært lokaliseringssignal (NLS), hvor NLS er ved C-terminalen, eller en nukleinsyre som koder for Cas9-proteinet; og
 - b. et enkelkjede-guide RNA omfattende en CRISPR RNA (crRNA)-del fusjonert
10 til en trans-aktiverende crRNA (tracrRNA)-del.
2. Type II CRISPR/Cas9-system ifølge krav 1, hvor Cas9-proteinet er fra *Streptococcus pyogenes*.
- 15 3. Type II CRISPR/Cas9-system ifølge krav 1 eller 2, hvor enkeltkjede-guide RNA-et er et *in vitro*-transkribert RNA.
4. Type II CRISPR/Cas9-system ifølge et hvilket som helst av kravene 1-3, hvor mål-DNA-sekvensen er en genomisk sekvens lokalisert på sitt endogene sted i genomet til
20 pattedyrcellen.
5. Type II CRISPR/Cas9-system ifølge et hvilket som helst av kravene 1-4, hvor pattedyrcellen er en human celle.
- 25 6. Type II CRISPR/Cas9-system ifølge et hvilket som helst av kravene 1-5, hvor nukleinsyren som koder for Cas9-proteinet er kodonoptimalisert for ekspresjon i humane celler.
7. Type II CRISPR/Cas9-system ifølge et hvilket som helst av kravene 1-6, hvor mål-DNA-sekvensen består av 20 nukleotider komplementære til crRNA-delen av
30 enkeltkjede-guide RNA-et og et trinukleotidprotospacer tilstøtende motiv (protospacer adjacent motif, PAM), og hvor PAM-et består av trinukleotidet 5'-NGG-3'.
8. Type II CRISPR/Cas9-system som definert i et hvilket som helst av kravene 1-7 for
35 anvendelse ved spalting av et mål-DNA i en pattedyrceelle.

9. Type II CRISPR/Cas9-system som definert i et hvilket som helst av kravene 1-7 for anvendelse i genterapi.

5 10. *In vitro*-fremgangsmåte for å innføre et stedsspesifikt, dobbeltstrenget brudd ved en mål-DNA-sekvens inn i en pattedyrce­lle, hvor fremgangsmåten omfatter å innføre Type II CRISPR/Cas9-systemet ifølge et hvilket som helst av kravene 1-7 inn i patte­dyrce­llen.

10 11. *In vitro*-fremgangsmåte for å innføre et stedsspesifikt, dobbeltstrenget brudd ved en mål-DNA-sekvens inn i en pattedyrce­lle, hvor fremgangsmåten omfatter å innføre inn i pattedyrce­llen:

- 15 a. et Cas9-protein med et nukleært lokaliseringssignal (NLS), hvor NLS er ved C-terminalen, eller en nukleinsyre som koder for Cas9-proteinet; og
- b. et enkelkjede-guide RNA omfattende en CRISPR RNA (crRNA)-del fusjonert til en transaktiverende crRNA (tracrRNA)-del.

20 12. Fremgangsmåte ifølge krav 11, hvor nukleinsyren som koder for Cas9-proteinet blir innført inn i pattedyrce­llen før innføring av enkelkjede-guide-RNA-et inn i patte­dyrce­llen.

13. Fremgangsmåte ifølge krav 10, 11 eller 12, hvor pattedyrce­llen er en human celle.