

Supplementary information

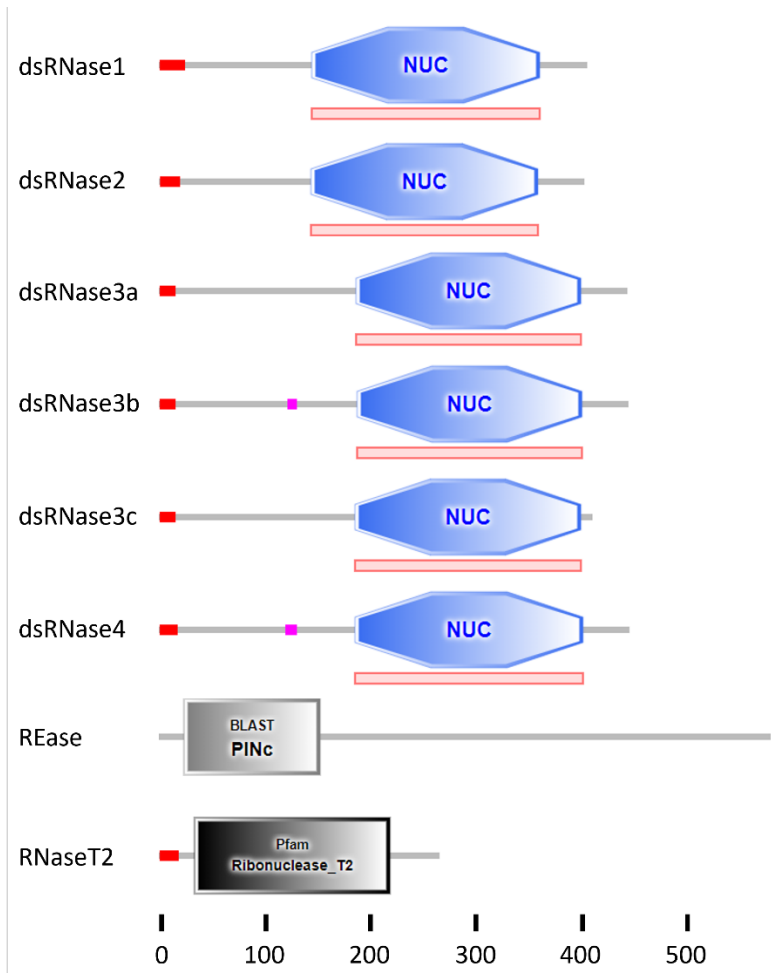
dsRNase1 contribution to dsRNA degradation activity in the Sf9 cells conditioned medium

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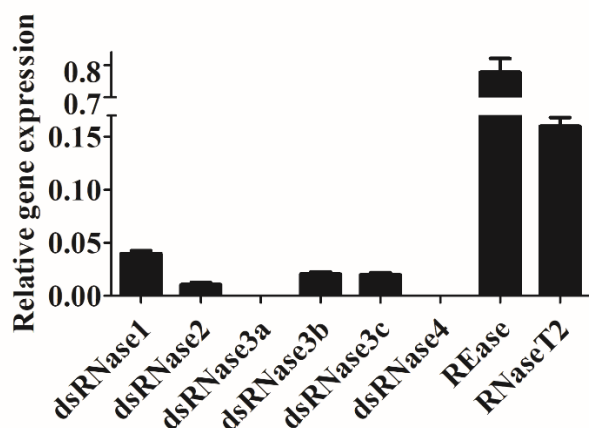
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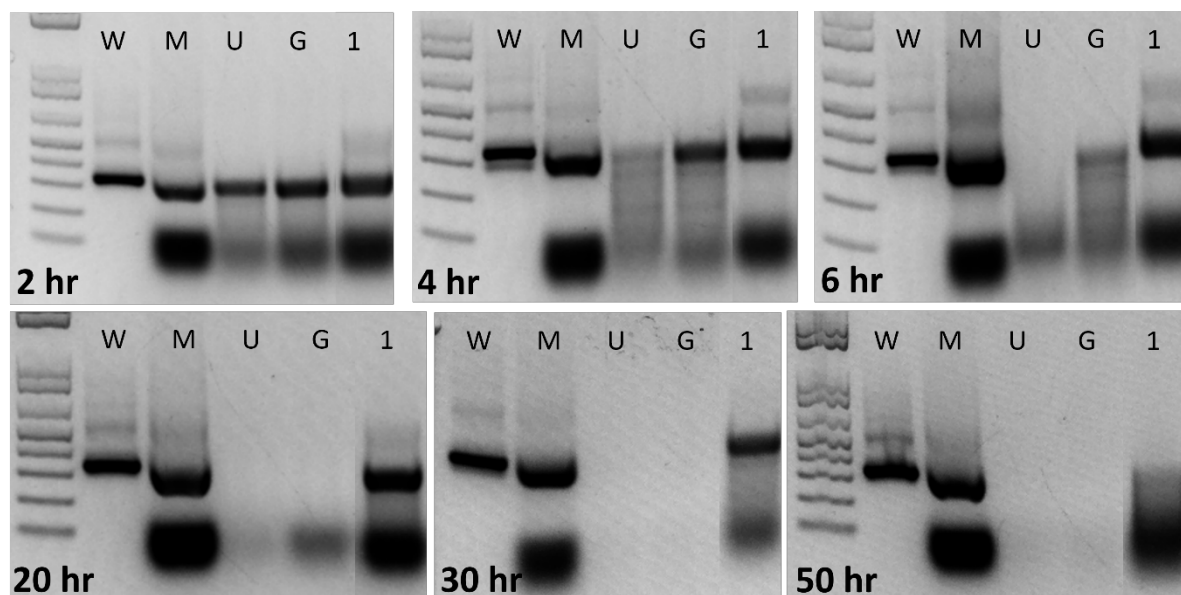
## Figures



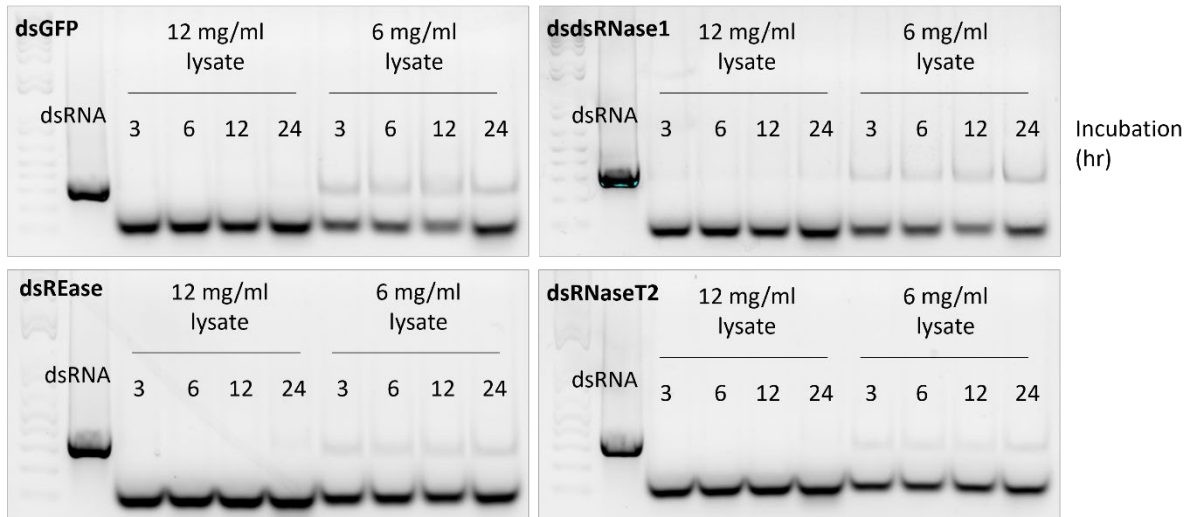
**Figure S1. Characteristic of nucleases.** Conserved domains and signal peptides are indicated for each nuclease. Accession numbers of genes can be found in Table S1. NUC, DNA/RNA non-specific endonuclease domain. PINc, large family of predicted nucleotide-binding domain. Ribonuclease\_T2, Ribonuclease\_T2 domain. Red box, signal peptide. Pink box, low complexity region. Numbers at the bottom indicate amino acid residues.



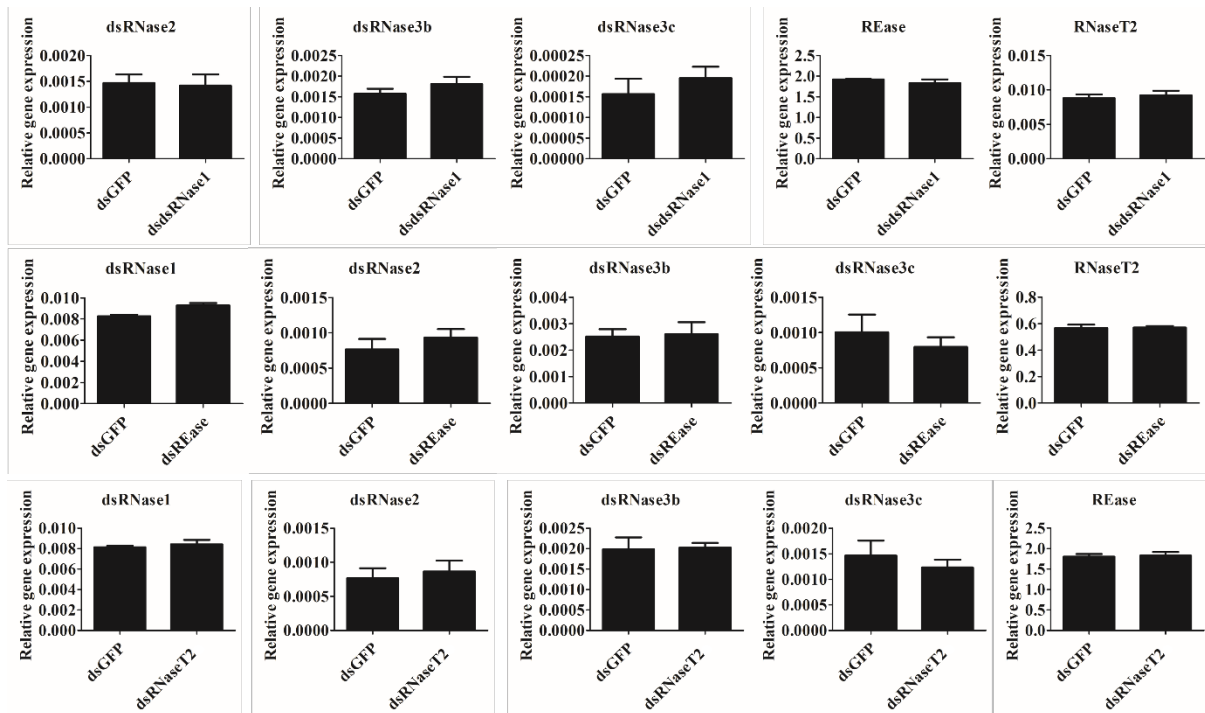
**Figure S2. Expression of nucleases in Sf9 cells.** Total RNA was isolated from Sf9 cells and qRT-PCR was used to determine mRNA levels of nuclease genes. Mean  $\pm$  SE (N = 3) are shown.



**Figure S3. dsRNA is stable up to 30 hr in conditioned medium from dsRNase1 knockdown cells.** Sf9\_SID1\_Luciferase cells seeded in 48 well plates were treated with 1  $\mu$ g dsRNA. After two days of incubation, the medium was replaced with fresh medium, allowing cells to secrete nucleases into the replaced medium for two additional days. Conditioned medium was collected and incubated with 1  $\mu$ g dsGFP in 28°C for different lengths of time (2, 4, 6, 20, 30, 50 hr). The products were run on 1% agarose gels. dsGFP incubated with water (W), Sf-900 medium (M), conditioned medium from untreated cells (U) or conditioned medium from cells treated with dsRNA targeting GFP (G) and dsRNase1 (1).

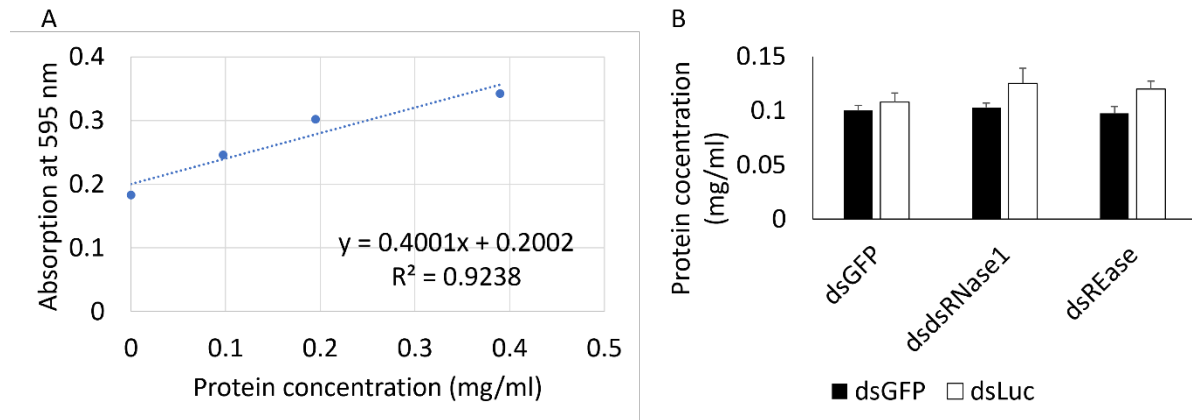


**Figure S4. dsRNA stability in cell lysate.** Sf9\_SID1\_Luciferase cells seeded in 48 well plates were treated with 1  $\mu$ g dsRNA targeting different nucleases (dsRNase1, REase, and RNaseT2). After two days of incubation, cells were harvested and lysates were prepared. One  $\mu$ g dsGFP was mixed with 19  $\mu$ l of cell lysate with different concentrations (6 and 12 mg/ml) and incubated at 28°C for different lengths of time (3, 6, 12, and 24 hr). The products were run on 1% agarose gels.



**Figure S5. Specificity of dsRNA targeting dsRNase1, REase, and RNaseT2.** Sf9\_SID1\_Luciferase cells seeded in 48 well plates were treated with 1  $\mu$ g dsRNA targeting different nucleases (dsRNase1, REase, and RNaseT2). After two days of incubation, cells were harvested, and the total RNA was isolated and used in qRT-PCR. Mean  $\pm$  SE (N = 3) are shown. Expression of dsRNase3a and 4 were not included since expression of those genes was not

detected in Sf9\_SID1\_Luciferase cells.



**Figure S6. Bradford assay.** Protein concentration was quantified using Bradford assay for cell lysate used in luciferase assay (Figure 4). A. standard curve was generated using serial dilutions of Bovine serum albumin. B. protein concentrations of each samples calculated using the standard curve.

## Tables

**Table S1. Primer information.** T7 promoter sequence is included in 5' region of all dsRNA primers.

Primers	Sequence (5'-3')	Purpose	T <sub>m</sub> (°C)	Product size (bp)	Accession
28SrRNA qRTF	CTGCTTACAGAGACGAGGTTAAG	qPCR	63	103	AY046536.1
28SrRNA qRTR	GGGTAGTAGTCCAGACCAGAAT	qPCR	64		
dsRNase1 qRTF	CGTCGTGTCCATGAGTTAGG	qPCR	63	91	XM_035598562.1
dsRNase1 qRTR	GATAAAGGAGGTCGGATGAAGG	qPCR	63		
dsRNase2 qRTF	GTGATACCGGTGCCTCTATTT	qPCR	63	108	XM_035587097.2
dsRNase2 qRTR	TTATGTGTCTTCAACTGAGGCA	qPCR	63		
dsRNase3a qRTF	CACGTGTTTCAGCACACTCTA	qPCR	63	88	XM_035575402.1
dsRNase3a qRTR	TTATCCGTGTCGGCTTCATC	qPCR	63		
dsRNase3b qRTF	GTGGCTGTCAACACCATGTA	qPCR	63	99	XM_035575401.1
dsRNase3b qRTR	AAATACATCACCACCCACCAG	qPCR	63		
dsRNase3c qRTF	GCCAATGCGTCTGTTGAAG	qPCR	63	116	XM_035575404.1
dsRNase3c qRTR	CTGGCAGCCAAGTATCTGT	qPCR	63		
dsRNase4 qRT1F	GGACGTATTCTACCCGCTATAAC	qPCR	63	102	XM_035575400.2
dsRNase4 qRT1R	CATAACGCTGTCCACCAAAC	qPCR	62		
dsRNase4 qRT2F	CACATCCAACCTCAGAGGCT	qPCR	65	137	XM_035575400.2
dsRNase4 qRT2R	AACTTCGAGGCGACGTTTCAT	qPCR	65		
REase qRTF	CGAGAATGGTTGGGAGGATATAG	qPCR	63	105	XM_035594883.2
REase qRTR	ACGCTGTCTCATCTGGTAGTTTAG	qPCR	63		
RNaseT2 qRTF	TAGAGCTCCGAGTTTGCTTTG	qPCR	63	127	XM_035578184.2
RNaseT2 qRTR	GGAGGTAATGCAGTGGGATAAA	qPCR	63		
Luciferase dsF	TATCCGCTGGAAGATGGAAC	dsRNA	62	355	MK484107.1
Luciferase dsR	ACCCCTTTTTTGAAACGAAC	dsRNA	62		
GFP dsF	CGATGCCACCTACGGCAA	dsRNA	65	248	MN623123.1
GFP dsR	TGTCGCCCTCGAACTTCA	dsRNA	64		
dsRNase1 dsF	ACATCCGCTGTAACCTCCCAC	dsRNA	65	553	XM_035598562.1
dsRNase1 dsR	GTCATCATTCCATGGTTCCC	dsRNA	62		
REase dsF	CTCCCAACCATTCTCGAATACA	dsRNA	63	473	XM_035594883.2
REase dsR	AGCACGAGGAGCAAGAAATA	dsRNA	62		
RNaseT2 dsF	CTCAACAATGGCCTAGCTCC	dsRNA	64	451	XM_035578184.2
RNaseT2 dsR	ACACCGATCTTGGAAGCAAC	dsRNA	64		

**Table S2. qPCR primer efficiency.** CT-values from diluted cDNA (1, 0.1, 0.01) were plotted. Slope from the plot was used to calculate primer efficiency using a tool from ThermoFisher website (<https://www.thermofisher.com/us/en/home/brands/thermo-scientific/molecular-biology/molecular-biology-learning-center/molecular-biology-resource-library/thermo-scientific-web-tools/qpcr-efficiency-calculator.html>). NTC, non target control. Undeter, CT-value not determined due to no amplification. NA, not available. P1, primer1. P2, primer2.

	28SrRNA	dsRNase1	dsRNase2	dsRNase3a	dsRNase3b	dsRNase3c	dsRNase4 P1	dsRNase4 P2	REase	RNaseT2	
CT-values	1 dilution	21.29	28.37	30.74	24.32	29.75	31.31	Undeter	Undeter	20.64	22.17
	0.1 dilution	24.87	31.47	34.65	28.15	33.35	34.04	Undeter	Undeter	23.75	25.53
	0.01 dilution	27.89	35.07	37.42	31.28	35.87	37.35	Undeter	Undeter	27.27	28.83
	NTC	Undeter	Undeter	Undeter	Undeter	Undeter	Undeter	Undeter	Undeter	Undeter	38.07
Slope	-3.30	-3.35	-3.34	-3.48	-3.06	-3.02	NA	NA	-3.31	-3.33	
primer efficiency (%)	100.9	98.8	99.3	94.0	112.3	114.1	NA	NA	100.3	99.6	