

## Appendix

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## **Supplementary Figure 1. Formation of tandem duplications**

A) Model to explain that *de novo* DNA synthesis (indicated in blue) combined with ssDNA resection (strikethrough) results in the formation of a tandem duplication (underlined) upon the induction of a DSB with 5' ssDNA overhangs by Cas9-D10A (cut sites indicated by red triangles). B) Graphical illustration to explain how a complex arrangement can be the result of iterative rounds of nicking and DSB repair: re-cutting the tandem duplication that results from repair of the initial DSB can result a repair product that will be annotated as deletion (dashed line) with a templated insert (underlined sequence) by our bio-informatical classification software.

## **Supplementary Figure 2. Validation of Pol $\lambda$ and Pol $\mu$ knockout cell-lines and immunoblots Cas9-nickases *HPRT* assay**

A) Immunoblots to confirm loss of Polymerase Lambda (upper panel) and Polymerase Mu (middle panel) protein expression in the used knockout clones. Polymerase Lambda runs on a similar height as a nonspecific band. An immunoblot for Tubulin is included as a loading control (lower panel). B-C) Immunoblots to confirm equal Cas9 protein expression between samples (upper panels), which corresponds with Figure 6B and 6E respectively). Immunoblots for Tubulin are included as a loading control (lower panel).

## **Table S1. Overview of guide RNAs and oligonucleotides used**

## **Table S2. Absolute *HPRT* mutation frequencies**

# Appendix Figure S1

A

5' CCTAATCATTATGCCGAGGATTTGGAAAAAGTGTATTTCCTCATGGACTGATTATGG 3'  
 3' GGATTAGTAATACGGCTCCTAAACCTTTTCACAAATAAGGAGTACCTGACTAATACC 5' *HPRT exon 2*

cutting of Cas9-D10A

5' CATTATGCCGAGGATTTGGAAAAAGTGTATTTCCTCATGGACTGATTATGG 3'  
 AATACC 5'

5' CCTAAT  
 3' GGATTAGTAATACGGCTCCTAAACCTTTTCACAAATAAGGAGTACCTGACT 5'

de novo DNA synthesis and resection

5' CCTAATCATTATGCCGAGGATTTGGAAAAAGTGTATTTCCTCATGGACTGATTATGG 3'  
 3' GGATTAGTAATACGGCTCCTAAACCTTTTCACAAATAAGGAGTACCTGACTAATACC 5'

ligation of blunt DNA ends

Tandem duplication:  
 5' CCTAATCATTATGCCGAGGATTTGGAAAAAGTGTATTTCCTCATGGACTGATTATGG 3'  
 3' GGATTAGTAATACGGCTCCTAAACCTTTTCACAAATTCCTAAACCTTTTCACAAATAAGGAGTACCTGACTAATACC 5'

B

5' CCTAATCATTATGCCGAGGATTTGGAAAAAGTGTATTTCCTCATGGACTGATTATGG 3'  
 3' GGATTAGTAATACGGCTCCTAAACCTTTTCACAAATAAGGAGTACCTGACTAATACC 5' *HPRT exon 2*

cutting of Cas9-D10A

5' CATTATGCCGAGGATTTGGAAAAAGTGTATTTCCTCATGGACTGATTATGG 3'  
 AATACC 5'

5' CCTAAT  
 3' GGATTAGTAATACGGCTCCTAAACCTTTTCACAAATAAGGAGTACCTGACT 5'

de novo DNA synthesis and resection

5' CATTATGCCGAGGATTTGGAAAAAGTGTATTTCCTCATGGACTGATTATGG 3'  
 TTCACAAATAAGGAGTACCTGACTAATACC 5'  
 5' CCTAATCATTATGCCGAGGATTTGGAAAAAGTGTATTTCCTCATGGACTGATTATGG 3'  
 3' GGATTAGTAATACGGCTCCTAAACCTTTTCACAAATAAGGAGTACCTGACT 5'

ligation of blunt DNA ends

repair intermediate:

5' CCTAATCATTATGCCGAGGATTTGGAAAAAGTGTATTTCCTCATGGACTGATTATGG 3'  
 3' GGATTAGTAATACGGCTCCTAAACCTTTTCACAAATAAGGAGTACCTGACTTTCACAAATAAGGAGTACCTGACTAATACC 5'

re-cutting of Cas9-D10A on repair product

5' CATTATGCCGAGGATTTGGAAAAAGTGTATTTCCTCATGGACTGATTATGG 3'  
 AATACC 5'

5' CCTAAT  
 3' GGATTAGTAATACGGCTCCTAAACCTTTTCACAAATAAGGAGTACCTGACTTTCACAAATAAGGAGTACCTGACT 5'

de novo DNA synthesis and resection

5' CATTATGCCGAGGATTTGGAAAAAGTGTATTTCCTCATGGACTGATTATGG 3'  
 CTTTTTCACAAATAAGGAGTACCTGACTTTCACAAATAAGGAGTACCTGACTAATACC 5'

5' CCTAATC  
 3' GGATTAGTAATACGGCTCCTAAACCTTTTCACAAATAAGGAGTACCTGACTTTCACAAATAAGGAGTACCTGACT 5'

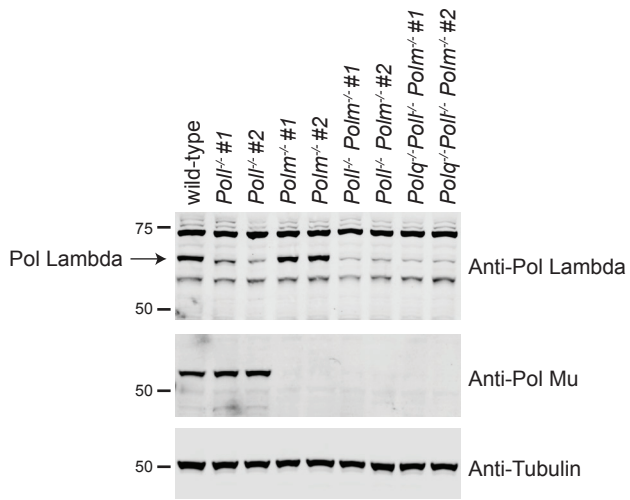
delin formation with templated insert

final repair product:

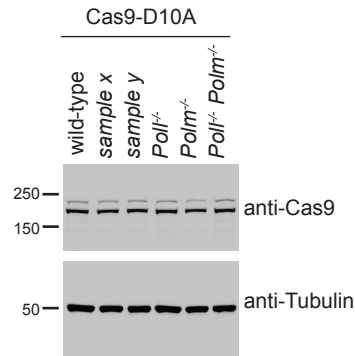
5' CCTAATC-----GAAAAAGTGTATTTCCTCATGGACTGATTATGG 3'  
 3' GGATTAG-----CTTTTTTCACAAATAAGGAGTACCTGACTTTCACAAATAAGGAGTACCTGACTAATACC 5'

Appendix Figure S2

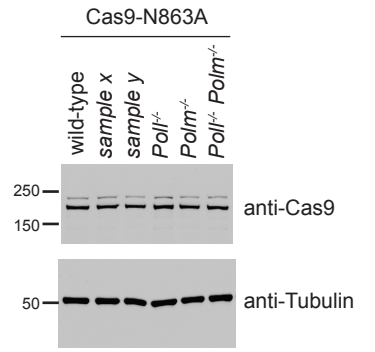
A



B



C



Appendix table S1

Gene	sgRNA	Exon	Forward oligonucleotide for genomic PCR (+ nested)	Reverse oligonucleotide for genomic PCR (+nested)	Oligo for sequencing	Restriction site for RFLP	Remark
<i>Polq</i>	GTCCGGCTCCGACACGTTCT	1	GAGGCCGGAAGCCAGATATCAG	CAGCTGTGCATGCTGGCCAAG		AflIII	
<i>Polq</i>	GTGTAAGAAAGATGTTGAA	2	GCTAGCATTCTGTATAGG	CAAATGTCCTGTTCCCTCC		TaqI	
<i>Ku80</i>	GTGGATGTGGGGTTGCCAT	2	CTTACCAGTCACATGATTG	CAAAGGATATAGGGCTCCAG		NcoI	
<i>Ku80</i>	CCTCAGCAGCCGTTTCAGCC	5	CAGTTGTCTCTGTGGTGAGC	CCTCAGCTCAGAACAGTTC		MwoI	
<i>LigIV</i>	GCACAACGTCACCACAGATC	1	GCCAAGGTGCTTACAGAAAG	CAAACCTGGTCGGTATAGTTG		BglII	
<i>LigIV</i>	TACAACCTATACCGACCAGTT	1	CAACGTCACCACAGATCTGG	CTAAGGATCTCATACTCTTC		BsrI	
<i>PolI</i>	AGGAGTCACTCACATTGTGG	2	GAGGTCAAGGCAGGAGAATCAGAA (+GCTACATAGTCAGTTGAGG)	GACTTGCTGGGCTGTGGTTCATC (+GAGGTCACAGAGATTAGGG)		DraIII	
<i>PolI</i>	CTGAGCTTGTGCCTGCAGGA	2	GAGGTCAAGGCAGGAGAATCAGAA (+GCTACATAGTCAGTTGAGG)	GACTTGCTGGGCTGTGGTTCATC (+GAGGTCACAGAGATTAGGG)		PstI	
<i>Polm</i>	GGAAGGGACCTCAGCCAAGG	2	CGATGCTTTCCAAGTACATAC (+GTAACATGCCAAGTGGCTTG)	ATCCTGAAATGGCAGCGGTC (+GTCTCTATTGCTTCCCAGG)		BglI	
<i>Polm</i>	GGCTCTGGAGACGCTAGCGG	4	CCTGGGAAAGCAATAGAGAC (+GCTGCCATTCAGGATGACC)	CACTCCAGGATGCTTCTGAC (+GCTCTGAACCAAGTCTCCTG)		NheI	
<i>HPRT</i>	TATACCTAATCATTATGCCG	2	GAGTAGAAAAGTGTAGAGCCG (+GACTCTATTCAGCAGTAAGAC)	CAGGCACTCACACATACAAG (+CAGCAAGAGACACTGATTC)	GACTCTATTCAGCAGTAAGAC		Cas9 WT
<i>HPRT</i>	ACTTGCTCGAGATGTCATGA	3	CAGCAGGATCTTGTATGTAG (+CTGGGCTATTTAGAGGGATTC)	GGATAGTGTGAGCAAGTTAG (+CTTAGTCCCTGGGTCTAC)	CTGGGCTATTTAGAGGGATTC		Cas9 WT
<i>HPRT</i>	AATCATTATGCCGAGGATTTG	2	GAGTAGAAAAGTGTAGAGCCG (+GACTCTATTCAGCAGTAAGAC)	CAGGCACTCACACATACAAG (+CAGCAAGAGACACTGATTC)	GACTCTATTCAGCAGTAAGAC		Site A for Cas9 nickase
<i>HPRT</i>	TATTCCTCATGGACTGATTA	2	GAGTAGAAAAGTGTAGAGCCG (+GACTCTATTCAGCAGTAAGAC)	CAGGCACTCACACATACAAG (+CAGCAAGAGACACTGATTC)	GACTCTATTCAGCAGTAAGAC		Site B for Cas9 nickase

## Appendix table S2

### Cas9 Wild-type *HPRT* exon 2 (Fig 1E)

Exp	Genotype:	wild-type	Polq-/- #1	Polq-/- #2	Ku80-/- #1	Ku80-/- #2	Lig4-/- #1	Lig4-/- #2	Polq-/- Ku80-/- #1	Polq-/- Ku80-/- #2
1		6.59E-02	3.05E-02	2.99E-02	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd
2		1.49E-02	7.33E-03	4.50E-03	1.66E-02	2.77E-02	1.67E-02	2.80E-02	nd	nd
3		1.28E-01	nd	nd	1.10E-01	8.39E-02	1.05E-01	8.92E-02	nd	nd
4		2.15E-02	6.25E-03	6.69E-03	4.29E-02	3.65E-02	2.04E-02	2.92E-02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
5		3.16E-01	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	5.84E-02	3.62E-02
6		1.07E-01	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	2.37E-03	2.53E-03

### Cas9 Wild-type *HPRT* exon 3 (Fig 1F)

Exp	Genotype:	wild-type	Polq-/- #1	Polq-/- #2	Ku80-/- #1	Ku80-/- #2	Lig4-/- #1	Lig4-/- #2	Polq-/- Ku80-/- #1	Polq-/- Ku80-/- #2
1		6.52E-02	2.16E-02	1.85E-02	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd
2		2.50E-02	1.11E-02	1.26E-02	2.59E-02	2.84E-02	3.58E-02	4.67E-02	nd	nd
3		1.32E-01	nd	nd	1.17E-01	9.42E-02	1.25E-01	1.01E-01	nd	nd
4		2.52E-02	4.81E-03	9.13E-03	4.37E-02	3.00E-02	2.20E-02	2.35E-02	6.25E-03	0.00E+00
5		4.23E-01	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	3.07E-02	8.67E-02
6		9.15E-02	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	2.33E-03	2.21E-03

### Cas9 D10A *HPRT* exon 2 (Fig 3A)

Exp	Genotype:	wild-type	Polq-/- #1	Polq-/- #2	Ku80-/- #1	Ku80-/- #2	Lig4-/- #1	Lig4-/- #2	Polq-/- Ku80-/- #1	Polq-/- Ku80-/- #2
1		3.23E-01	2.63E-01	2.69E-01	2.78E-01	3.01E-01	2.33E-01	2.30E-01	nd	nd
2		2.59E-01	1.54E-01	1.81E-01	1.91E-01	1.77E-01	1.99E-01	2.02E-01	nd	nd
3		1.77E-01	1.55E-01	1.42E-01	1.57E-01	1.62E-01	2.05E-01	1.96E-01	5.75E-03	3.08E-03
4		4.42E-02	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	3.07E-04	1.75E-04

### Cas9 N863A *HPRT* exon 2 (Fig 3B)

Exp	Genotype:	wild-type	Polq-/- #1	Polq-/- #2	Ku80-/- #1	Ku80-/- #2	Lig4-/- #1	Lig4-/- #2	Polq-/- Ku80-/- #1	Polq-/- Ku80-/- #2
1		1.19E-01	8.59E-02	8.74E-02	4.90E-02	4.39E-02	6.75E-02	6.16E-02	nd	nd
2		5.21E-02	2.45E-02	3.20E-02	1.10E-02	9.87E-03	2.30E-02	2.77E-02	7.37E-04	9.90E-05
3		1.26E-02	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	6.90E-04	0.00E+00
4		6.98E-03	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	0.00E+00	0.00E+00

### Cas9 D10A *HPRT* exon 2 (Fig 6B)

Exp	Genotype:	wild-type	Poll-/- #1	Poll-/- #2	Polm-/- #1	Polm-/- #2	Poll-/- Polm-/- #1	Poll-/- Polm-/- #2
1		2.22E-01	3.56E-01	nd	2.43E-01	nd	1.53E-01	nd
2		2.60E-01	nd	3.06E-01	nd	2.19E-01	nd	2.18E-01
3		2.62E-01	2.43E-01	nd	1.70E-01	nd	2.04E-01	nd
4		2.73E-01	nd	1.42E-01	nd	1.82E-01	nd	1.64E-01

### Cas9 N863A *HPRT* exon 2 (Fig 6E)

Exp	Genotype:	wild-type	Poll-/- #1	Poll-/- #2	Polm-/- #1	Polm-/- #2	Poll-/- Polm-/- #1	Poll-/- Polm-/- #2
1		4.36E-02	7.83E-02	nd	6.01E-02	nd	4.72E-02	nd
2		6.76E-02	nd	7.61E-02	nd	4.38E-02	nd	4.14E-02
3		6.84E-02	6.71E-02	nd	4.49E-02	nd	3.64E-02	nd
4		2.29E-02	nd	2.67E-02	nd	2.04E-02	nd	1.93E-02