

Supplementary Figure S1. *Mbp*Ago harbors a catalytically DEDD tetrad. (A) Multiple sequence alignment of a part of the PIWI domain from the *Mbp*Ago with several other characterized Ago proteins. (B) Schematic representation of the pET28a based expression vector of *Mbp*Ago. (C) The purity of the purified *Mpb*Ago was determined using SDS-PAGE. (D) Size-exclusion chromatography diagram showing the elution peak of *Mbp*Ago. (E) *Mbp*Ago shows DNA cleavage activity at 37°C if incubation is extended. (F) Determining the DNA cleavage site with non-labeled T-DNA. DNA marker (33, 34, 35 nt) were partially hydrolyzed T-DNA. The

experiments were performed at the 4:2:1 *Mbp*Ago:guide:target molar ratio for 12 h at 37 °C. Positions of the cleavage products (P) are indicated on the right of the gels. (G) Determining the RNA cleavage site with non-labeled tRNA. RNA marker (33, 34, 35 nt) were partially hydrolyzed tRNA. The experiments were performed at the 4:2:1 *Mbp*Ago:guide:target molar ratio for 30 min at 37°C. Positions of the cleavage products (P) are indicated on the right of the gels. (H) Purification of *Mbp*Ago-associated nucleic acids after its expression in E. coli. Nucleic acids were treated with DNase I (D), RNase A (R), both nucleases (DR), or left untreated (-), separated by denaturing PAGE and stained with SYBR Gold. M1, DNA length markers; M2, RNA length markers.



Supplementary Figure S2. Both the length and the 5'-phosphate of guide affect the cleavage efficiency and precision. (A-C) Representative denaturing PAGEs from three independent measurements showing kinetics analysis of RNA cleavage by *Mbp*Ago with 14 nt, 16 nt and 18 nt gDNAs, respectively. Positions of the cleavage products (P) and targets (T) are indicated on the left of the gels. (D) Effects of the guide length on the cleavage efficiency of *Mbp*Ago. The k_{obs} values were determined from the single-exponential fits of the data in Figure 2C-E. Means and standard deviations were from three independent measurements. P-values for all comparisons of k_{obs} values were calculated using the Student's *t*-test. ^{ns}P > 0.05, **P < 0.01 and ***P < 0.001.



18nt 5'P-gDNA

Supplementary Figure S3. Characteristics of nuclease activity of *Mbp*Ago. (A) Representative denaturing PAGEs showing 5'P-gDNA-mediated RNA cleavage (Upper panel) and 5'OH-gDNA-mediated RNA cleavage by *Mbp*Ago with various divalent cations. Effects of Mn²⁺ (B) and Mg²⁺ (C) concentration on RNA cleavage activity mediated by 5'P-gDNA (Upper panel) and 5'OH-gDNA (Lower panel). (D) (Left panel) Representative denaturing PAGEs showing temperature dependence of 5'P-gDNA-mediated RNA cleavage by *Mbp*Ago. (Right panel) Representative denaturing PAGEs showing temperature dependence of 5'P-gDNA-mediated RNA cleavage by *Mbp*Ago. (Right panel) Representative denaturing PAGEs showing temperature dependence of 5'OH-gDNA-mediated RNA cleavage by *Mbp*Ago. (E) Representative denaturing PAGEs of the *Mbp*Ago-mediated 16 nt 5'P-DNA-guided RNA cleavage turnover experiments at 37°C (upper panel) and 50°C (lower panel), respectively. (F) Representative denaturing PAGEs of the *Mbp*Ago-mediated 18 nt 5'P-DNA-guided RNA cleavage turnover experiments at 37°C (upper panel) and 50°C (lower panel), respectively. Positions of the cleavage products (P) and targets (T) are indicated on the left of the gels.



Supplementary Figure S4. Representative denaturing PAGE showing the results in Figure 4. (A) Representative denaturing PAGE showing the preferences for the 5'end nucleotide. (B) Representative denaturing PAGE showing effects of mismatches in the guide-target duplex on the slicing activity of *Mbp*Ago. Positions of the cleavage products (P) and targets (T) are indicated on the left of the gels.



Supplementary Figure S5. Electrophoresis mobility shift assay (EMSA) of the binding of the *Mbp*Ago to guides and *Mbp*Ago-gDNA complex to target. (A) Multiple sequence alignment of the 5'end guide binding pocket of the MID domain from *Mbp*Ago with several other characterized Ago proteins. Black asterisks are the positions of amino acid residues involved in the binding of the 5'end of a guide. (B) Representative native gel images (one of three independent experiments) of binding reactions in Figure 5B with various ratios between

*Mbp*Ago and guide. (C) The K_d values were determined from the data in Figure 5B. Means and standard deviations were from three independent measurements. P-values for all comparisons of K_d values were calculated using the Student's *t*-test. *P<0.05, ***P<0.001 and ****P<0.0001. (D), (E) and (F) Thermal unfolding transition curves of *Mbp*Ago and *Mbp*Ago-gDNA Complex followed by circular dichroism. Measures were performed in duplicate. (G) The K_d values were determined from the data in Figure 5D. Means and standard deviations were from three independent measurements. P-values for all comparisons of K_d values were calculated using the Student's *t*-test. ^{ns}P>0.05, and **P<0.01. (H) Representative native gel images (one of three independent experiments) of binding reactions in Figure 5D with various ratios between *Mbp*Ago-gDNA complex: target.



Supplementary Figure S6. Representative denaturing PAGE showing the results in Figure 6. (A)-(F) Representative denaturing PAGE showing kinetics analysis of RNA cleavage by WT, AK variant, RK variant, YK variant, HA variant and AA variant. (G) Cleavage analysis of DNA cleavage by WT, AK variant, RK variant, RK variant, YK variant, HA variant and AA variant and AA variant. The reaction was performed at 37°C for 12 h. Positions of the cleavage products (P) and targets (T) are indicated on the left of the gels.



Supplementary Figure S7. (A) and (B) Binding of 16 nt 5'P-gDNA and 5'OH-gDNA by *Mbp*Ago variants with 5 mM Mn²⁺. The fraction of bound guides was plotted against protein concentration and fitted using the model of specific binding with the Hill slope. Results for WT and its binding analysis of guides are from Figure 5B. Data are represented as the mean ± SD from three independent experiments.



Supplementary Figure S8. Cleavage of highly structured HIV-1 Δ DIS 5'UTR RNA by *Mbp*AgogDNA complex with 5 mM Mg²⁺. (A) Secondary structure of HIV-1 Δ DIS 5'UTR predicted by SHAPE, which is copied from Figure 3C of Dayeh et al (1). The highly structured RNA is composed of several structured sub-domains; the transactivation response (TAR; 1–57 nt) element, polyadenylation signal (poly(A); 58–104 nt), primer-binding site (PBS; 125–223 nt), and genomic RNA packaging domain (Psi, 228–334 nt). Designed guide DNAs targeting the different target regions (TRs) of the HIV transcript are marked with red g1–g12. (B) Analysis of the cleavage products obtained after incubation of 5'P-gDNA-*Mbp*Ago complex with HIV-1 Δ DIS 5'UTR RNA. (C) Analysis of the cleavage products obtained after incubation of 5'OH- gDNA-*Mbp*Ago complex with HIV-1 ΔDIS 5'UTR RNA. Experiments in (B) and (C) were carried out with 5 mM Mg²⁺ at 37°C for 30 min. Positions of the targets (T), gDNAs (G) and cleavage products (P) are indicated on the left of the gels. M, RNA marker. (D) Cleavage analysis of double-stranded RNA (dsRNA) target by *Mbp*Ago. Iane 1 and 2, ssRNA target; Iane 3-6, dsRNA target. FAM-labled T-RNA and RT-RNA (reverse T-RNA) were denatured for 5 min at 95°C, and temperature was lowered at a rate of 0.1°C/s until 25°C was reached. *Mbp*Ago, guide and target (dsRNA or T-RNA) were mixed in a 4:2:1 molar ratio (800 nM MbpAgo preloaded with 400 nM guide, plus 200 nM target) and incubated at 37°C for 30 min.

Supplementary tables

Primer	Sequence (5'-3')	template	Mutant
H482A-F/	TGAAAACCTTCGCAGAGCTGCTGAAGTCTAAGTTC/	pET28a-	AK
H482A-R	CAGCTCTGCGAAGGTTTTCAGGAAGGCGGGGC	MbpAgo	
H482R-F/	TGAAAACCTTCAGAGAGCTGCTGAAGTCTAAGTTC/	pET28a-	RK
H482R-R	CAGCTCTCTGAAGGTTTTCAGGAAGGCGGGGC	MbpAgo	
H482Y-F/	TGAAAACCTTCTACGAGCTGCTGAAGTCTAAGTTC/	pET28a-	YK
H482Y-R	CAGCTCGTAGAAGGTTTTCAGGAAGGCGGGGC	MbpAgo	
K486A-F/	GCTGCTGGCGTCTAAGTTCTACCCCGATCTGAAGG/	pET28a-	HA
K486A-R	AGAACTTAGACGCCAGCAGCTCGTGGAAGGTTTTC	MbpAgo	
K486A-F/	GCTGCTGGCGTCTAAGTTCTACCCCGATCTGAAGG/	pET28a-	AA
H482AK486A-R	AGAACTTAGACGCCAGCAGCTCTGCGAAGGTTTTC	AK	

Table S1. Primers used in constructing mutant

Table S2. List of let-7-derived sequences used in this study.

Oligonucleotide	Sequence (5'-3')	Description	Used in
name			figure
FAM-T-tDNA	FAM-	5' FAM labeled T-tDNA	1D, S1J,
	AAACGACGGCCAGTGCC		S6G
	AAGCTTACTATACAACCT		
	ACTACCTCAT		
M2	FAM-	5' FAM labeled 34 nt DNA	1D
	AAACGACGGCCAGTGCC		
	AAGCTTACTATACAACC		
FAM-U-tRNA	FAM-	5' FAM labeled U-tRNA	1C, S1J,
	AAACGACGGCCAGUGCC		2A-2E,
	AAGCUUACUAUACAACC		S2A-S2C,
	UACUACCUCAU		3A-3F,
			S3A-S3F,
			4A, 4C,
			S4A-S4B,
			5D, S5H,
			6A, 6D
			6G, S6A-
			S6F, S8D
M1	FAM-	5' FAM labeled 34 nt RNA	1C
	AAACGACGGCCAGUGCC		
	AAGCUUACUAUACAACC		
T-gDNA	TGAGGTAGTAGGTTGT	16 nt guide forms 5'-T pair	1C-1D,
		with	S1H-S1J,
		T-tDNA/T-tRNA	2D, S2B,
			3A-3C,
			3E, S3A-

			3E, S4A-
			S4B, 5C-
			5D, S5D-
			5H, 6A,
			6D, 6G,
			S6A-6G,
			S8D
14nt T-gDNA	TGAGGTAGTAGGTT	14 nt guide pair with U-	2C, S2A,
		tRNA	6G, S6G
18nt T-gDNA	TGAGGTAGTAGGTTGTAT	18 nt guide pair with U-	S1E, 2E,
_		tRNA	S2C, 3D,
			3F, S3F,
			6G, S6G
33nt	AAACGACGGCCAGTGCC	33 nt DNA marker	S1H
DNA product	AAGCTTACTATACAAC		
34nt	AAACGACGGCCAGTGCC	34 nt DNA marker	
DNA product	AAGCTTACTATACAACC		
35nt	AAACGACGGCCAGTGCC	35 nt DNA marker	
DNA product	AAGCTTACTATACAACCT		
T-tDNA	AAACGACGGCCAGTGCC	let-7 based 45 nt DNA	S1E, S1H
	AAGCTTACTATACAACCT	target for T-gDNA/U-gRNA	
	ACTACCTCAT		
U-gRNA	UGAGGUAGUAGGUUGU	guide forms 5'-U pair with	1C, 1D,
U-gRNA	UGAGGUAGUAGGUUGU	guide forms 5'-U pair with T-tDNA/T-tRNA	1C, 1D, S1J
U-gRNA 18 nt RNA	UGAGGUAGUAGGUUGU UGAGGUAGUAGGUUGU	guide forms 5'-U pair with T-tDNA/T-tRNA 18 nt RNA marker	1C, 1D, S1J S1E
U-gRNA 18 nt RNA	UGAGGUAGUAGGUUGU UGAGGUAGUAGGUUGU AU	guide forms 5'-U pair with T-tDNA/T-tRNA 18 nt RNA marker	1C, 1D, S1J S1E
U-gRNA 18 nt RNA U-tRNA	UGAGGUAGUAGGUUGU UGAGGUAGUAGGUUGU AU AAACGACGGCCAGUGCC	guide forms 5'-U pair with T-tDNA/T-tRNA 18 nt RNA marker let-7 based 45 nt RNA	1C, 1D, S1J S1E S1E, S1I
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13nt T-gDNA	TGAGGTAGTAGGT	13 nt guide pair with U-	
		tRNA	
14nt T-gDNA	TGAGGTAGTAGGTT	14 nt guide pair with U-	
		tRNA	
15nt T-gDNA	TGAGGTAGTAGGTTG	15 nt guide pair with U-	
		tRNA	
16nt T-gDNA	TGAGGTAGTAGGTTGT	guide forms 5'-T pair with 2A, 2B,	
		T-tDNA/T-tRNA	4A, 4C,
			S4A-4B
17nt T-gDNA	TGAGGTAGTAGGTTGTA	17 nt guide pair with U-	2A, 2B
		tRNA	-
18nt I-gDNA	IGAGGIAGIAGGIIGIAI	tRNA	
19nt T-aDNA	TGAGGTAGTAGGTTGTAT	19 nt quide pair with U-	-
	A	tRNA	
20nt T-gDNA	TGAGGTAGTAGGTTGTAT	20 nt guide pair with U-	
	AG	tRNA	
21nt T-gDNA	TGAGGTAGTAGGTTGTAT	21 nt guide pair with U-	
	AGT	tRNA	
25nt T-gDNA	TGAGGTAGTAGGTTGTAT	25 nt guide pair with U-	
	AGTAAGC	tRNA	
30nt T-gDNA	TGAGGTAGTAGGTTGTAT	30 nt guide pair with U-	
	AGTAAGCTTGGC	tRNA	
40nt T-gDNA	TGAGGTAGTAGGTTGTAT	40 nt guide pair with U-	
	AGTAAGCTTGGCACTGG	tRNA	
	CCGTC		
gDNA_mm1	AGAGGTAGTAGGTTGT	guide forms mismatched	4C, S4B
		pair in position 1 with U-	
		tRNA	_
gDNA_mm2	TCAGGTAGTAGGTTGT	guide forms mismatched	
		pair in position 2 with U-	
		tRNA	_
gDNA_mm3	TGTGGTAGTAGGTTGT	guide forms mismatched	
		pair in position 3 with U-	
		tRNA	_
gDNA_mm4	TGACGTAGTAGGTTGT	guide forms mismatched	
		pair in position 4 with U-	
		tRNA	4
gDNA_mm5	TGAGCTAGTAGGTTGT	guide forms mismatched	
		pair in position 5 with U-	
gDNA_mm6	IGAGGAAGTAGGTTGT	guide forms mismatched	
		pair in position 6 with U-	
		IKNA	

gDNA_mm7	TGAGGTTGTAGGTTGT	guide forms mismatched	
		pair in position 7 with U-	
		tRNA	
gDNA_mm8	TGAGGTA <mark>C</mark> TAGGTTGT	guide forms mismatched	
		pair in position 8 with U-	
		tRNA	
gDNA_mm9	TGAGGTAGAAGGTTGT	guide forms mismatched	
		pair in position 9 with U-	
		tRNA	
gDNA_mm10	TGAGGTAGTTGGTTGT	guide forms mismatched	
		pair in position 10 with U-	
		tRNA	
gDNA_mm11	TGAGGTAGTACGTTGT	guide forms mismatched	
		pair in position 11 with U-	
		tRNA	
gDNA_mm12	TGAGGTAGTAGCTTGT	guide forms mismatched	
		pair in position 12 with U-	
		tRNA	
gDNA_mm13	TGAGGTAGTAGGATGT	guide forms mismatched	
		pair in position 13 with U-	
		tRNA	
gDNA_mm14	TGAGGTAGTAGGTAGT	guide forms mismatched	
		pair in position 14 with U-	
		tRNA	
gDNA_mm15	TGAGGTAGTAGGTTCT	guide forms mismatched	
		pair in position 15 with U-	
		tRNA	
gDNA_mm16	TGAGGTAGTAGGTTGA	guide forms mismatched	
		pair in position 16 with U-	
		tRNA	
gDNA_m1m2		guide forms mismatched	
	AC AGGTAGTAGGTTGT	pair in position 1 and 2 with	
		U-tRNA	
gDNA_m2m3		guide forms mismatched	
	T <mark>CT</mark> GGTAGTAGGTTGT	pair in position 2 and 3 with	
		U-tRNA	
gDNA_m3m4		guide forms mismatched	
	TGTCGTAGTAGGTTGT	pair in position 3 and 4 with	
		U-tRNA	
gDNA_m4m5		guide forms mismatched	
	TGACCTAGTAGGTTGT	pair in position 4 and 5 with	
		U-tRNA	
gDNA_m5m6	TOACOAAOTAOOTTOT	guide forms mismatched	
		pair in position 5 and 6 with	

		U-tRNA	
gDNA_m6m7		guide forms mismatched	
	TGAGGATGTAGGTTGT	pair in position 6 and 7 with	
		U-tRNA	
gDNA_m7m8		guide forms mismatched	
	TGAGGT <mark>TC</mark> TAGGTTGT	pair in position 7 and 8 with	
		U-tRNA	
gDNA_m8m9		guide forms mismatched	
	TGAGGTA <mark>CA</mark> AGGTTGT	pair in position 8 and 9 with	
		U-tRNA	
gDNA_m9m10		guide forms mismatched	
	TGAGGTAG <mark>AT</mark> GGTTGT	pair in position 9 and 10	
		with U-tRNA	
gDNA_m10m11		guide forms mismatched	
	TGAGGTAGT <mark>TC</mark> GTTGT	pair in position 10 and 11	
		with U-tRNA	
gDNA_m11m12		guide forms mismatched	
	TGAGGTAGTA <mark>CC</mark> TTGT	pair in position 11 and 12	
		with U-tRNA	
gDNA_m12m13		guide forms mismatched	
	TGAGGTAGTAG <mark>CA</mark> TGT	pair in position 12 and 13	
		with U-tRNA	
gDNA_m13m14		guide forms mismatched	
	TGAGGTAGTAGG <mark>AA</mark> GT	pair in position 13 and 14	
		with U-tRNA	
gDNA_m14m15		guide forms mismatched	
	TGAGGTAGTAGGTACT	pair in position 14 and 15	
		with U-tRNA	
gDNA_m15m16		guide forms mismatched	
	TGAGGTAGTAGGTT <mark>CA</mark>	pair in position 15 and 16	
		with U-tRNA	
C-gDNA	CGAGGTAGTAGGTTGT	guide forms 5'-C pair with	4A, S4A
		C-tRNA	
FAM-C-tRNA	FAM-	5' FAM labeled C-tRNA	
	AAACGACGGCCAGUGCC		
	AAGCUUACUAUACAACC		
	UACUACCUCGU		
A-gDNA	AGAGGTAGTAGGTTGT	guide forms 5'-A pair with	
		A-tRNA	
FAM-A-tRNA	FAM-	5' FAM labeled A-tRNA	
	AAACGACGGCCAGUGCC		
	AAGCUUACUAUACAACC		
	UACUACCUCUU		
G-gDNA	GGAGGTAGTAGGTTGT	guide forms 5'-G pair with	

		G-tRNA	
FAM-G-tRNA	FAM-	5' FAM labeled G-tRNA	
	AAACGACGGCCAGUGCC		
	AAGCUUACUAUACAACC		
	UACUACCUCCU		
RT-RNA	AUGAGGUAGUAGGUUG	45 nt RNA complementary	S8D
	UAUAGUAAGCUUGGCAC	to U-tRNA	
	UGGCCGUCGUUU		
T-gDNA iFAM	TGAGGTAGTAGGTT(FAM)	internally-labeled T-gDNA	5B, S5B,
	GT		6C, 6F,
			S7A-S7B

Table S3. List of gDNAs targeting HIV-1 ΔDIS 5'UTR RNA

gDNA#	Sequence (5'-3')	Target region	5' product length (nt)
gDNA_1	AGCCAGAGAGCTCCCA	31-46	36
gDNA_2	ACTCAAGGCAAGCTTT	77-92	82
gDNA_3	GACGGGCACACACTAC	100-115	105
gDNA_4	CTAGTTACCAGAGTCA	123-138	128
gDNA_5	GACTAAAAGGGTCTGA	146-161	151
gDNA_6	CACTGCTAGAGATTTT	169-184	174
gDNA_7	CTTTCAAGTCCCTGTT	192-207	197
gDNA_8	GATCTCCTCTGGCTTT	215-230	220
gDNA_9	GCAAGCCGAGTCCTGC	238-253	243
gDNA_10	CCCCTCGCCTCTTGCC	261-276	266
gDNA_11	TTTGGCGTACTCACCA	284-299	289
gDNA_12	TCTAGCCTCCGCTAGT	307-322	312

Table S4. The sequence of MbpAgo expression cassete

GGGCAGCATCAACGTGTTCGAGGGCTTCACATACAAGCTGGCCAGACTGGCCGACGGC CACTTTTACGTGACACTGGACCTGAGCACCAAGTACATCGACAAGTACTGCCTGAGCCAC TACATCAACGAGGGCAACGTGCGGACCTTCGAGAACAACTACAAGGGCAGAAGATTCCT GTACCTGAACGGCGACAACTGGTACACCATCGAGCTGCTCGGCTTCGGCAAGAGCGTGA AAGAGCAGGACTTCATCAGAGAGGGCACCACCTACAACGTGCTGAATTACATCACCGAG AAGATCGAGCACAGCCGGACCGACCTGAAGAGATACGTGAAGCCCAACGACCTGTCCAT GAGCTACACATACCCCGGCAGAACAATGGACCCTCACAGCGGAGCTACATCCCTGGCCA GAATGCTGTACAACACCAAGGACGAGAGAGAGTGAAGTCCCTGCACTACCTGTCTATCAAGG GCCCCAGCAAGAGATTCGAGGCCATCAACAATTACATCTCCAGCTACTTCAAGAACCTGA AGTTCAACGCCGGGAAGCTGCTGATCTCCAACGAGCCCCTGGTGGAAAAGATCAAGAAC TTCTGGATTCCTGAGCTGCTGTTCAACAACAACCGGCGGCTGAAGATCACCGGCTTCAA CAGCGGCATGCGGGACTTCGCCTACCAGAGAAAGCAGCTGATTAAGAACAACGGGGTG CTGAACAGGACCAGCTTCGACGTGCAGTACCTGCTGGTGCCCGACGAGCAGTACATGGA CGCCAATCTGGTGGAAGGGTTCAAGAACAATGCCGAGTTCCTGATCAAGAAGCTGGCCC CTGCCTTCGACAAGTTCATCATCATCAGATACCCCGTCAAGAGCTGCACCAGCGCCAGC GTGCAGATCCAAGAGATCGAGAAGGTGCTGCACAGACGGAATGCCCTGCACGGATTTGC TCTGGTGGTGCTGCCTGACCTGGACGCTTTTAGCCCCGCCTTCCTGAAAACCTTCCACG AGCTGCTGAAGTCTAAGTTCTACCCCGATCTGAAGGTGCAGTGCGCCAGCGCTCACAAC ATCTCTAGCTTTTTCAAGCCCTTCTCCACCGCCGGCAACAACGGCATCGTCGAGTACAGA GTGGTGGAAGCCCTGAAGGGCAGATTCAGCTCCTACCTGTTCTACCTGGTGCTGGAACA CCTGATCGTGAACCGGAAGTGGCCTTACGCTCTGGCCAAGAATCTGTTCTACGACATCTA CATCGGCATCGATGTGCACGACCGGCACGCCGGCTTTACATTCTTCTTCAAAAACGGCGA AAGTGCGGGCCAAGACACTGAACAAAGTGATCTACGAGAAGCTGAAGCTGTACATCCCA CTGTTCGCCCCTAATCCTAATGGCATCGTGATCGTCCGCGACGGCAGAAGCTTTGGCGT CGAGTATAAGGCCCTGCAGGCCGCCATCAATACTCTGGCCGCTGAGGGAATCGTGAACA AGGACACCGTGAAGTACGGCGTGGTGGACCTGCACAAGCAGAGCAGCGTGCCAATCAG AATCGCCGCCAAGACCAACAGCTACGATCAGCTGGAAAACCCCGTGGCCGGCTCCTATA AGCTGGTGTCTCCTAAAGAGGGGCTTTATCTTCAGCACAGGCTACCCCTTCGACATCAAGG GCACCTCCAGACCTCTGAACCTGAGCATGAAGGAAGGCGACCTGGACTTTATGAAAGTC

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T7 promoter is underlined, Translation initiation codon is marked cyan, His₆ tag is marked yellow, the uppercase letter represents the human codon-optimized sequence of *Mbp*Ago gene, T7 terminator is marked with grey.

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