



PXR/CAR/AHR knockout rat

Model	PXR/CAR/AHR knockout rat
Strain	HsdSage:SD-NR1i2/NR1i3/AHR ^{tm1Sage}
Location	U.S.
Availability	Cryopreserved

Characteristics/husbandry

- + Biallelic 20 bp deletion within Nr1i2 gene
- + Biallelic 10 bp deletion within Nr1i3 gene
- + Biallelic 760 bp deletion within Ahr gene
- + Background Strain: Sprague-Dawley

Zygoty genotype

- + Cryopreserved as heterozygous embryos

Research use

- + Xenobiotic sensor
- + Cytochrome p450 pathways
- + Drug metabolism
- + Hepatotoxicity
- + Cholestasis

Origin

The PXR/CAR/AHR knockout rat model was originally created at SAGE Labs, Inc. in St. Louis, MO and distributed out of the Boyertown, PA facility. The line continues to be maintained through the original SAGE Labs animal inventory acquired by Envigo.

Description

PXR, CAR, and AHR are involved in the induction of cytochrome p4503A (Cyp3a) and are abundantly expressed in the liver and intestine. This model is useful for studying metabolism of xenobiotic compounds and hepatotoxicity. This triple knockout model was generated by crossing together the three single PXR, Car, and AHR knockout rat lines.

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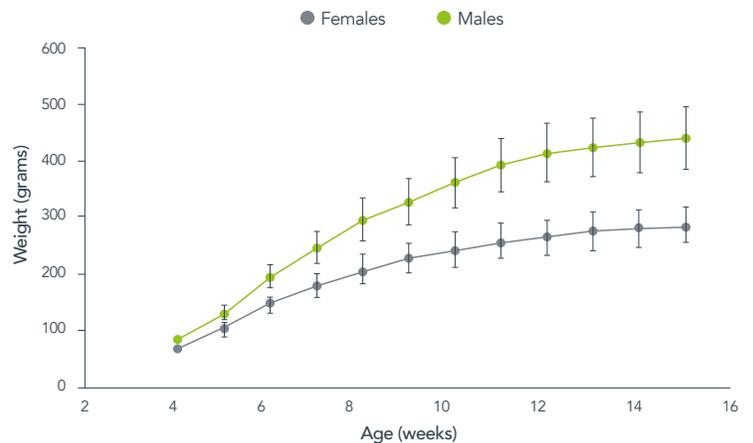
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Figure 2. Weight and age comparison chart



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