Focus	Development of Cre-loxP recombination atlas for Cre-driver mouse strains
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Overview	Conditional knockout (cKO) mice are a very significant tool for investigating gene function in vivo. The Cre-loxP recombination system has been widely used to generate cKO mice, and the accuracy of Cre enzyme expression in Cre-driver mice has a great influence on the elucidation of genetic function. The mouse resource of the National BioResource Project (NBRP) has been collected many Cre-driver mouse strains. To meet a variety of needs related to basic biomedical research, it is essential to further increase in the number of Cre-driver mouse strains. However, histological characters of Cre-loxP recombination on Cre-driver mouse strains have been depended on the publication information from an original provider. Furthermore, there are few histological data on Cre-loxP recombination on temporal and spatial aspects. Recently, we produced a novel ROSA26 knock-in Cre-reporter C57BL/6N strain exhibiting green emission before and red after Cre-mediated recombination, designated as strain R26GRR. To improve quality of Cre-tool mouse repository, therefore, we develop Cre-loxP recombination atlas of F1 progeny from crosses between Cre-driver mice and R26GRR mice. The atlas will be shown on the website of the NBRP mouse resource.
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