



# DBA/2J

Stock No: 000671

 Inbred Strain



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 Overview



Also Known As: D2J, D2, DBA2

DBA/2J is a widely used inbred strain. Some characteristics include low susceptibility to developing atherosclerotic aortic lesions, high-frequency hearing loss, susceptibility to audiogenic seizures, development of progressive eye abnormalities that closely mimic

human hereditary glaucoma, and extreme intolerance to alcohol and morphine.

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## GENETIC OVERVIEW

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## RESEARCH APPLICATIONS

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Dermatology Research

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### Details

#### Important Note

This strain is homozygous for *Cdh23<sup>ahl</sup>*, the age related hearing loss 1 mutation, which on this background results in progressive hearing loss that is already severe by three months of age.

#### Detailed Description

DBA/2J is a widely used inbred strain that is valuable in a large number of research areas, including cardiovascular biology, neurobiology, and sensorineural research. Its characteristics are often contrasted with those of the C57BL/6J inbred strain (Stock

No. 000664). DBA/2J mice show a low susceptibility to developing atherosclerotic aortic lesions (20 to 350  $\mu\text{m}^2$  atherosclerotic aortic lesions /aortic cross-section) following 14 weeks on an atherogenic diet (1.25% cholesterol, 0.5% cholic acid and 15% fat). They also exhibit high-frequency hearing loss beginning roughly at the time of weaning/adolescence (between three to four weeks of age) and becoming severe by two to three months of age. The age related hearing loss 8 mutation arose spontaneously in DBA/2J between 1951 and 1975. This strain possesses three recessive alleles that cause progressive cochlear pathology initially affecting the organ of Corti. Decreasing anteroventral cochlear nucleus volume decreases and neuron loss parallel the progression of peripheral hearing loss. Young DBA/2J inbred mice are also susceptible to audiogenic seizures due to the *asp2* mutation, however, this susceptibility decreases as animals reach adulthood. There is high incidence of calcareous pericarditis, and calcified lesions of the testes, tongue and skeletal muscle. This strain is among the least responsive to phytohemagglutinin (Heiniger et al., 1975), but highly sensitive to haloperidol (Kaness et al, 1993).

Aging DBA/2J mice develop progressive eye abnormalities that closely mimic human hereditary glaucoma. Defects include iris pigment dispersion, iris atrophy, anterior synechia (adhesion of the iris to the cornea), and elevated intraocular pressure (IOP). The onset of disease symptoms begins between three and four months of age with 56% of females and 15% of males showing signs of iris pigment epithelium loss and transillumination of the peripheral iris. By six to seven months of age, all mice demonstrate significant widespread transillumination and thickening of the iris border. Elevation of IOP is evident in some females by six months of age. By nine months of age, both sexes exhibit elevated IOP, with pressures higher in females (mean: 20.3  $\pm$  7.9; 1.8 mmHg) compared to males (mean: 16.2  $\pm$  7.9; 1.4 mmHg). Retinal histopathology reveals retinal ganglion cell, as well as GABAergic and cholinergic amacrine cell, loss. (Moon JI *et al.* 2005). Two alleles contribute to the eye phenotype, *Gpnmb*<sup>R150X</sup> and *Tyrp1*<sup>isa</sup>; both are present in DBA/2J mice.

DBA/2J mice also show an extreme intolerance to alcohol and morphine.

In 2002, Vance *et al.* reported that NK cells in DBA/2J exhibit the unique characteristic that they lack surface expression of CD94/NKG2A receptors. CD94/NKG2 receptors are normally expressed on the surface of most fetal NK cells. Expression of CD94/NKG2 is thought to play a role in self tolerance and the ability of NK cells to distinguish between MHC I<sup>low</sup> and MHC I<sup>high</sup> target cells. CD94 is the product of the mouse *Klrp1* locus, on mouse Chromosome 6. A subsequent publication by Wilhelm and coworkers identified a deletion in the 3' end of the *Klrp1* gene of DBA/2J mice. This ~2.4 kb deletion does not prevent transcription of the gene, but prevents translation and cell surface expression of the CD94 protein. Analysis of DNA samples held at The Jackson Laboratory (unpublished results) confirmed the presence of the deletion of *Klrp1* in the DBA/2J strain. The deletion, which occurred sometime between 1984 and 1989, is homozygous within our colonies, making DBA/2J mice naturally CD94 deficient.

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## + Development

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## + Selected References

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## - Genetics

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+ *Fscn2*<sup>ah18</sup>

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+ *Gpr84*<sup>del</sup>

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+ *P2rx7*<sup>P451L</sup>

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+ *Tyrp1*<sup>isa</sup>

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+ *a*

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+ *Hc*<sup>0</sup>

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+ *Fbwf2*<sup>DBA/2J</sup>

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+ [Fbrwt1<sup>DBA/2J</sup>](#)

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+ [Cdh23<sup>ahl</sup>](#)

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+ [Mx1<sup>s1</sup>](#)

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+ [Ahr<sup>d</sup>](#)

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+ [Asp2](#)

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+ [Gpnmb<sup>R150X</sup>](#)

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+ [Cd5<sup>a</sup>](#)

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+ [Klrd1<sup>DBA/2J</sup>](#)

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+ [Cox7a2<sup>l</sup>](#)

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+ [Taar1<sup>m1J</sup>](#)

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+ [Myo5a<sup>d</sup>](#)

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### Genotyping Protocols

Sanger sequencing: [Taar1 rs33645709-SEQ](#)

[Genotyping resources and troubleshooting](#)

Inbred mouse strains are maintained through sibling (sister x brother) matings; no genotyping required.

## Dietary Information

LabDiet® 5K52 formulation (6% fat)

## Breeding Considerations

This strain is a good breeder.

## Additional Breeding and Husbandry Support

### Mating System

Sibling x Sibling

### Appearance

dilute brown

Related Genotype: *a/a Tyrp1<sup>b</sup>/Tyrp1<sup>b</sup> Myo5a<sup>d</sup>/Myo5a<sup>d</sup>*

### Citation

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	Male	Not Applicable	\$30.01
5 weeks	Female	Not Applicable	\$34.70
	Male	Not Applicable	\$31.92
6 weeks	Female	Not Applicable	\$36.74
	Male	Not Applicable	\$34.15
7 weeks	Female	Not Applicable	\$40.42
	Male	Not Applicable	\$40.24
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	Male	Not Applicable	\$40.24
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	Male	Not Applicable	\$41.99

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		Not Applicable	\$48.98
11 weeks	Female	Not Applicable	\$46.98
	Male	Not Applicable	\$48.98
12 weeks	Female	Not Applicable	\$46.98
	Male	Not Applicable	\$48.98
16 weeks	Female	Not Applicable	\$54.96
	Male	Not Applicable	\$62.96
17 weeks	Female	Not Applicable	\$54.96
	Male	Not Applicable	\$62.96
18 weeks	Female	Not Applicable	\$54.96
	Male	Not Applicable	\$62.96
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