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Experimental design

1. Sample size

   Describe how sample size was determined.

   No statistical test was used to pre-determine sample size.

2. Data exclusions

   Describe any data exclusions.

   For Fig. 2b, The anterior prostate was excluded from the analysis due to cystic lesions after 12-week time point.

3. Replication

   Describe whether the experimental findings were reliably reproduced.

   The number of repeats for experiments was described in corresponding figure legends. Only successfully replicated/reproduced experiments were reported.

4. Randomization

   Describe how samples/organisms/participants were allocated into experimental groups.

   Genotypes and ages of mice are known to investigators. No pre-established selection criteria for mice were used. All mice with desired genotypes at appropriate ages in corresponding cages were all used and randomized to either the control or experimental group.

5. Blinding

   Describe whether the investigators were blinded to group allocation during data collection and/or analysis.

   The investigators were not blinded to allocation during experiments and outcome assessment.

   Note: all studies involving animals and/or human research participants must disclose whether blinding and randomization were used.

6. Statistical parameters

   For all figures and tables that use statistical methods, confirm that the following items are present in relevant figure legends (or the Methods section if additional space is needed).

n/a	Confirmed	
☐	☒	The exact sample size (*n*) for each experimental group/condition, given as a discrete number and unit of measurement (animals, litters, cultures, etc.)
☐	☒	A description of how samples were collected, noting whether measurements were taken from distinct samples or whether the same sample was measured repeatedly.
☐	☒	A statement indicating how many times each experiment was replicated
☐	☒	The statistical test(s) used and whether they are one- or two-sided (note: only common tests should be described solely by name; more complex techniques should be described in the Methods section)
☐	☒	A description of any assumptions or corrections, such as an adjustment for multiple comparisons
☐	☒	The test results (e.g. *p* values) given as exact values whenever possible and with confidence intervals noted
☐	☒	A summary of the descriptive statistics, including central tendency (e.g. median, mean) and variation (e.g. standard deviation, interquartile range)
☐	☒	Clearly defined error bars

See the web collection on statistics for biologists for further resources and guidance.

Software

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7. Software

Describe the software used to analyze the data in this study.	GraphPad and R were used to perform general statistical analysis.

For all studies, we encourage code deposition in a community repository (e.g. GitHub). Authors must make computer code available to editors and reviewers upon request. The *Nature Methods* guidance for providing algorithms and software for publication may be useful for any submission.

Materials and reagents

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8. Materials availability

Indicate whether there are restrictions on availability of unique materials or if these materials are only available for distribution by a for-profit company.	No unique materials were used.

9. Antibodies

Describe the antibodies used and how they were validated for use in the system under study (i.e. assay and species).	A detailed description of antibodies used, including vendors and catalogue numbers, was provide in Methods, under "Plasmids, reagents and antibodies" section. Antibodies were validated by gene silencing and/or overexpression, and by other published studies.

10. Eukaryotic cell lines

a. State the source of each eukaryotic cell line used.	All cell lines were obtained from ATCC.
b. Describe the method of cell line authentication used.	All cell lines were purchased directly from ATCC
c. Report whether the cell lines were tested for mycoplasma contamination.	All cell lines were checked for mycoplasma by MycoAlert Mycoplasma Detection Kit (Lonza).
d. If any of the cell lines used in the paper are listed in the database of commonly misidentified cell lines maintained by ICLAC, provide a scientific rationale for their use.	None of cell lines belongs to misidentified cell lines.

Animals and human research participants

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11. Description of research animals

Provide details on animals and/or animal-derived materials used in the study.	Methods/Murine models

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12. Description of human research participants

Describe the covariate-relevant population characteristics of the human research participants.	Methods/TMA analysis and Supplementary Table 1