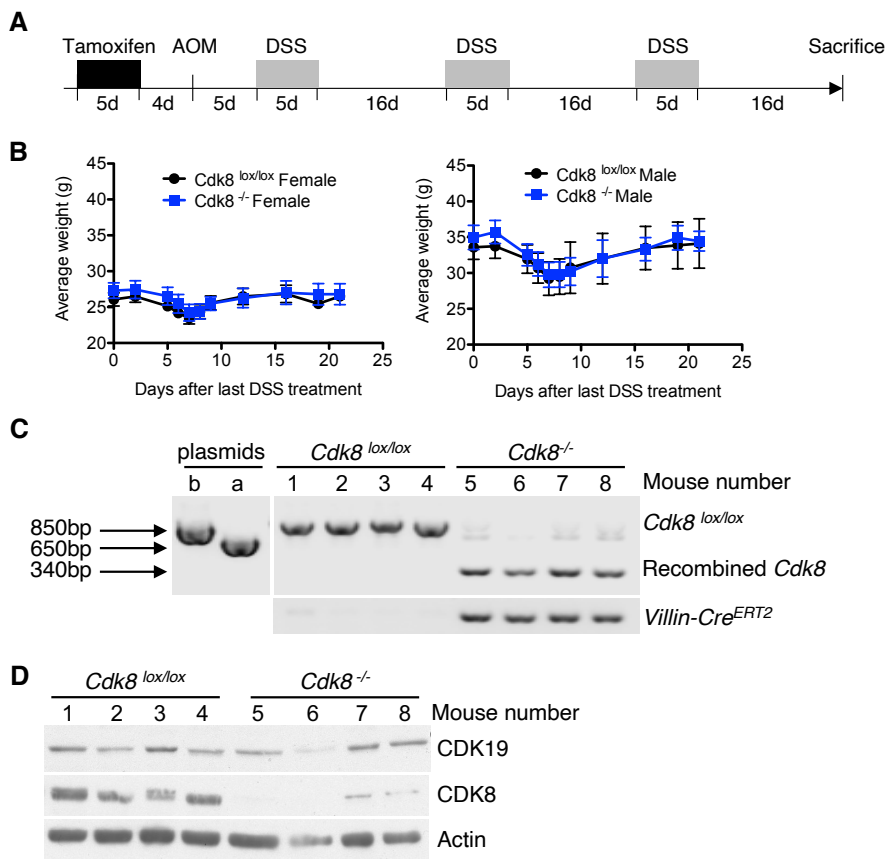


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CDK8 and CDK19 act redundantly to control the CFTR pathway in the intestinal epithelium

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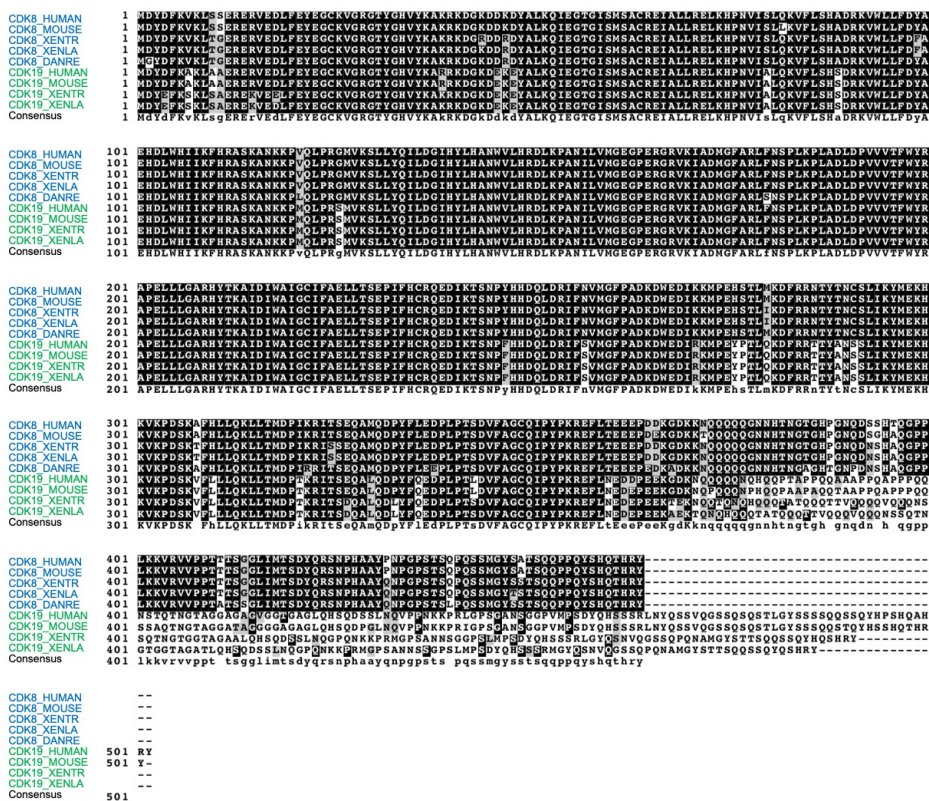
Appendix Fig S1. CDK8 loss does not affect chemically-induced intestinal carcinogenesis.

A Scheme showing the steps of the AOM/DSS carcinogenesis experiment. See Materials and Methods for more detailed information.

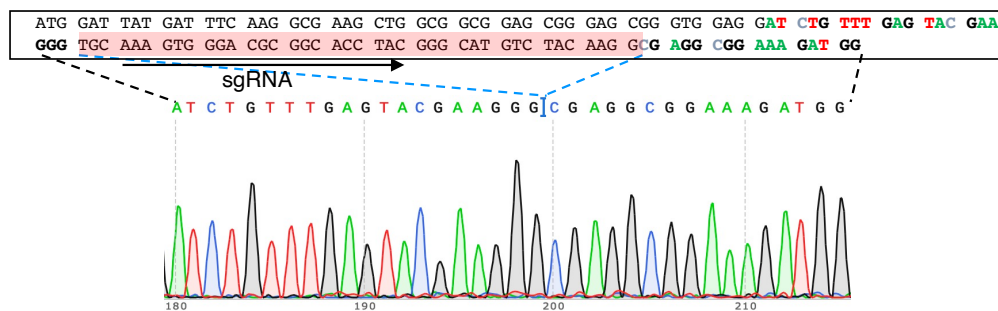
B Graphs showing female (left; n=6 mice in both groups) and male (right; n=5 mice in both groups) weight evolution over 21 days following the last DSS treatment.

C Genotyping after AOM/DSS treatment confirms the recombination and loss of *Cdk8* exon 2 in colon tumors from *Cdk8*^{-/-} mice. Control plasmids (a and b), are described in Fig EV1C. PCR amplification with *Villin-Cre*^{ERT2}-specific primers confirms the presence of the *Cre*^{ERT2} recombinase gene.

D WB with the same colon tumour samples presented in (C) confirm the disappearance of CDK8 protein in the *Cdk8*^{-/-} mice. β -actin was used as the loading control.



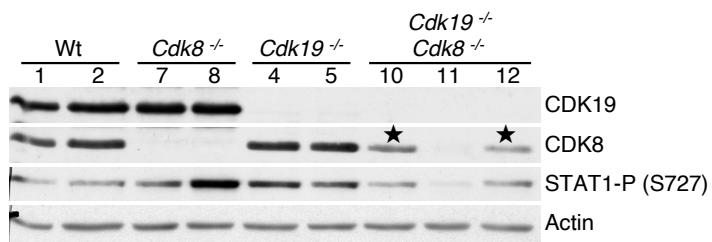
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CRISPR-Cas9-targeted 40nt deletion in exon 1 of mouse *Cdk19*

Appendix Fig S2. Amino acid sequence conservation of CDK8 and its paralogue CDK19 between different vertebrates.

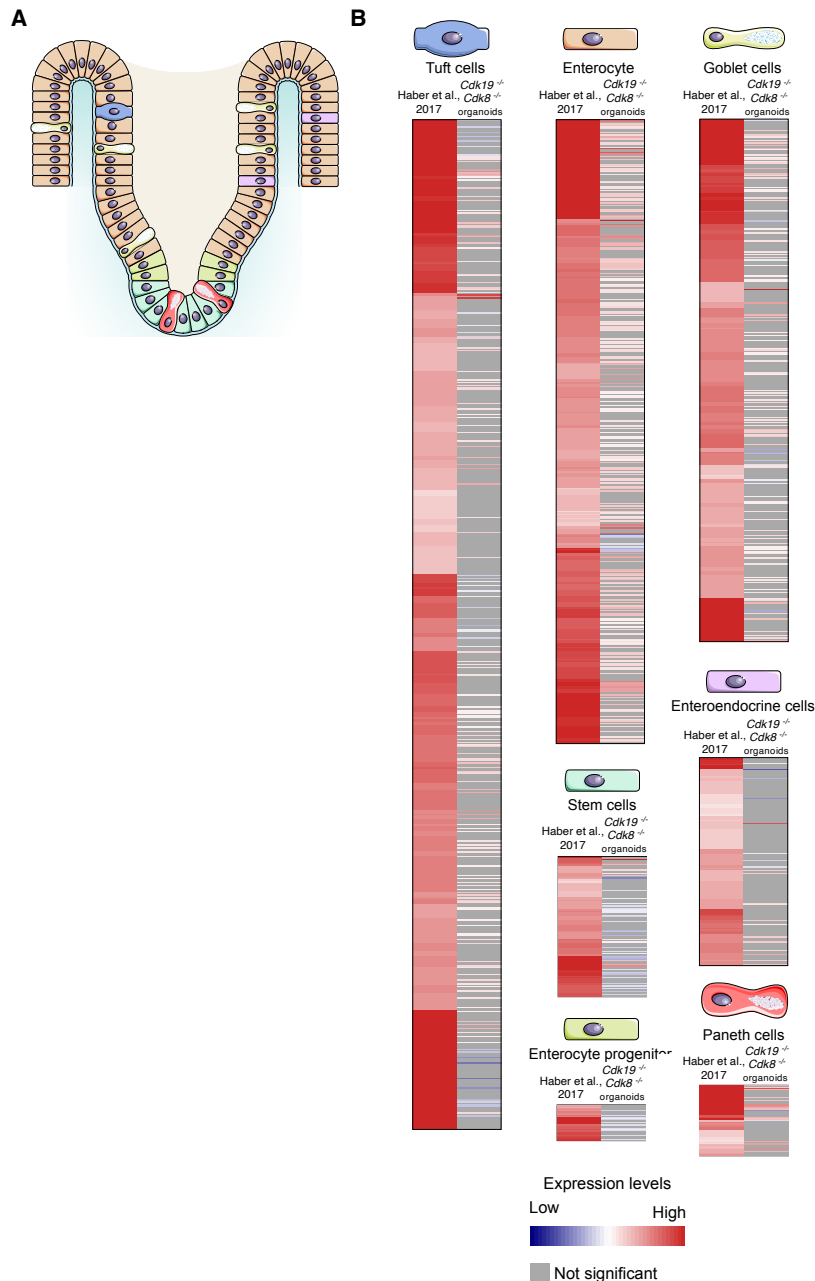
A Sequence alignment of Cdk8 (blue) and Cdk19 (green) proteins from: *Homo sapiens*, *Mus musculus*, *Xenopus tropicalis*, *Xenopus laevis*, and *Danio rerio*. Homologous sequences are black. The consensus (> 80%) is presented below the alignment.

B Scheme indicating the fragment of *Cdk19* exon 1 removed by CRISPR-Cas9 (highlighted in red) in intestinal organoids. The arrow indicates the sequence of the sgRNA used. The sequence trace obtained after gene editing is presented below. The colour-code in the sequence in the box corresponds to the sequence trace.



Appendix Fig S3. Cdk8/Cdk19 KO organoids are counter-selected.

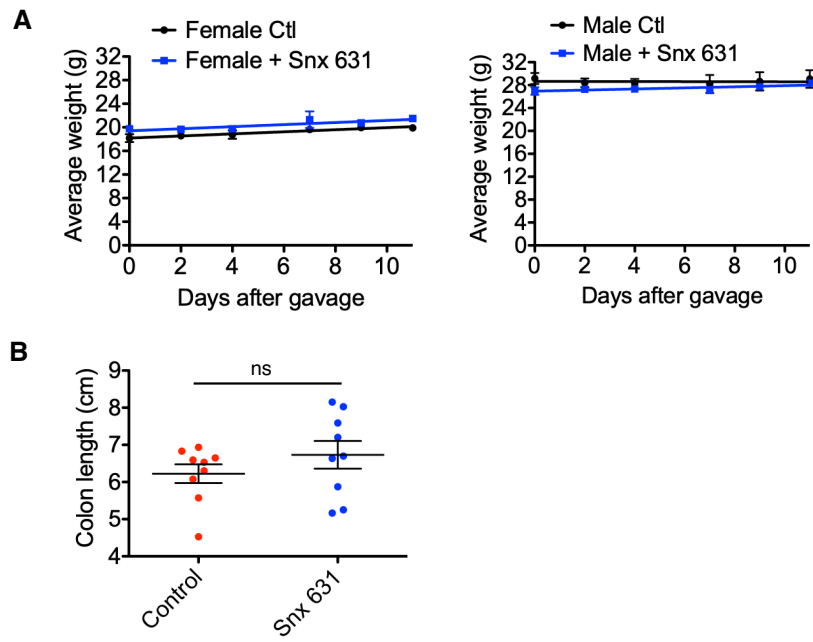
WB indicating the levels of CDK8, CDK19 and phospho-STAT1-S727 in organoids after 14 days of OH-tamoxifen treatment. Two out of the three *Cdk8*^{-/-}/*Cdk19*^{-/-} clones (numbers 10 and 12) show a reappearance of the CDK8 protein: compare with Fig. 2B where proteins were extracted from the same samples, but one week earlier. (★) indicates the two clones where CDK8 protein is detected; this was observed only in organoids where double KO had been induced.



Appendix Fig S4. Cdk8/Cdk19 double knockout does not significantly affect intestinal cell differentiation.

A Schematic representation of the intestinal crypt and villus with all cell types indicated.

B Heatmaps visualising differences in gene expression in double *Cdk8/Cdk19* knockout organoids (bulk RNA-seq) and in indicated intestinal cell types obtained by single-cell RNAseq (Haber et al., 2017). After clustering and identifying the different cell types, gene signatures were defined as those genes in a given cell type that were significantly more expressed when compared against all other cell types, in a pairwise manner. Most signature genes for each cell type are not significantly deregulated (grey, right column of heatmaps) in organoids lacking CDK8 and CDK19.



Appendix Fig S5. CDK8/19 inhibition is well tolerated by mice.

A, B Mice were treated with Senexin 631 (Snx 631, n=10) or vehicle (n=10) and mouse weight (**A**) during the experiment, and colon length (**B**) after 11 days of treatment were measured.