Targeted Gene	Strain	Sex	Number of animals
Scd1 ^a	SV129 backcrossed 5 generations to C57BL/6	Female	5
Ppara ^b	129/Sv	Female/male	12/12
Mdr2 (Abcb4) ^c	FVB.129P2-Pgy2 ^{tm1Bor}	Male	3

Supplementary Table 2. Attributes of mouse strains used for comparative GO analysis

- a. Stearoyl-CoA desaturase-1 (Scd1)-/- mice, which develop hypoglycemia, hypercholesterolemia and hepatic dysfunction when fed a very low-fat, high-sucrose diet (Scd1 is essential for de novo synthesis of monounsaturated fatty acids) (1) (see Supplementary Fig. 5 for a description of the genomic locus of Scd1).
- b. Peroxisome proliferator activated receptor alpha (Ppar α)-/- (2), which is involved in regulation of hepatic detoxification, energy homeostasis, and inflammatory responses.
- c. Multi-drug resistance 2 (Abcb4 or Mdr2)-/- (3), which have a pronounced liver pathology at three months and develop hepatocellular carcinoma at 12-15 months of age. In all three cases, we compared our DGE data (CerS2 null versus WT) to microarray analyses performed on approximately 3 month-old mice, comparing null to WT (Scd1, Ppara) or heterozygotes (Mdr2) to the DGE data from CerS2 null mice.
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CerS2	Enriched in knock-out mice up-	Enriched in knock-out mice
compared to	regulated genes	down-regulated genes
Scd1 (very low fat diet)	Cell cycle Intracellular transport Cell division Protein complex assembly Establishment of localization Translation Localization Transport Protein polymerization Establishment of protein Localization Endocytosis RNA processing Protein folding DNA replication Biopolymer modification	Generation of precursor metabolites and energy Blood coagulation
ΡΡΑΠα		Oxidation reduction Fatty acid metabolic process Cellular lipid metabolic process Lipid metabolic process Monocarboxylic acid metabolic process Carboxylic acid metabolic process Organic acid metabolic process Steroid biosynthetic process Lipid biosynthetic process Vitamin metabolic process Hormone metabolic process
Mdr2	Immune system process Antigen processing and presentation of peptide antigen Antigen processing and presentation Antigen processing and presentation of exogenous peptide antigen Antigen processing and presentation of exogenous antigen DNA replication initiation DNA-dependent DNA replication Cell cycle Protein complex biogenesis	

Supplementary Table 3. Overlapping GO terms

Protein complex assembly Antigen processing and presentation of exogenous peptide antigen via MHC class I Anatomical structure formation Regulation of protein metabolic process Regulation of cellular protein metabolic process **DNA** replication Cellular component organization Regulation of cellular component organization Death Positive regulation of endocytosis Actin filament-based process Regulation of actin polymerization or depolymerization Regulation of actin filament length Cellular component assembly Cell death Actin cytoskeleton organization Regulation of cellular component size Regulation of anatomical structure morphogenesis Programmed cell death Phagocytosis, recognition Regulation of cell cycle Regulation of actin cytoskeleton organization Apoptosis Cell cycle phase Regulation of actin filament polymerization Regulation of actin filament-based process Cell cycle process Mitotic cell cycle Actin polymerization or depolymerization Macromolecular complex assembly Actin filament organization Aell division Actin filament polymerization

Gene	Accession Number	Fold Change	Corrected P-value
Scd1	NM_009127*	-1.5240	3e-81
	AK142630	-2.2539	3.42e-5
	AK135642	1.12229	0.03633
	BC055453	1.6271	0.00311
Ppara	NM_011144	**	
	X57638	**	
Mdr2	NM_008830	1.9512	1.33e-21

Supplementary Table 4. DGE results for the genes used in the comparative expression analysis

* major transcript** under limit of detection

For a discussion, see Supplementary Fig. 5