

Fig. S1. *Pdx1-Cre* and *Ptf1a-Cre* are active in the pancreas by E9.5 and E10.5, respectively. (A-C) X-Gal staining for β -gal activity from the recombined *Rosa26R* reporter allele reveals *Pdx1-Cre* to be active in the dorsal (dp) and ventral (vp) pancreatic buds by E9.5 (A) while *Ptf1a-Cre* is not active until E10.5 (B,C). Scale bars: 250 µm.



Fig. S2. AFP⁺ cells arise from Pdx1⁺ progenitors in *Sox9*-deficient pancreata. (A-F) eGFP induced by *Pdx1-Cre*driven recombination of the *Z/EG* reporter allele (A) labels Pdx1⁺ cells and their progeny in the dorsal pancreas (dp) (A,F). AFP⁺ cells (B), including AFP⁺ Pdx1⁻ cells (arrows in A-F), are eGFP⁺, showing their derivation from *Pdx1*expressing pancreatic progenitors in *Sox9*-deleted pancreata (E,F). Most first-wave glucagon⁺ endocrine cells (D) are also eGFP⁺ and are thus derived from *Sox9*-deleted pancreatic progenitors (F). Broken line indicates the boundary between dorsal pancreas and duodenum (duo). Scale bar: 20 µm.



Fig. S3. *Sox9*-deleted pancreatic progenitors activate a bona fide hepatic program. (A,B) Immunodetection reveals almost complete absence of AFP or α_1 -antitrypsin (α_1 -AT) in the E11.5 control *Sox9*^{#/#} dorsal pancreas (dp) (A), but abundant expression in *Sox9*^{#/#}; *Pdx1-Cre* pancreas (B). (C,D) Although low-level Hnf4 α nuclear expression is seen in Pdx1⁺ pancreatic progenitors in E11.5 control pancreas (C), high-level Hnf4 α expression is evident in AFP⁺ cells of *Sox9*^{#/#} /[#]; *Pdx1-Cre* pancreas (D), similar to that seen in the liver (li) (C,D). Scale bars: 20 µm.



Fig. S4. Variable ratios of mutually exclusive AFP⁺ and glucagon⁺ populations. (A-L) Immunodetection on 12 sequentially ordered (rostral to caudal) serial sections through a single E11.5 $Sox \mathcal{G}^{R/R}$; Pdx1-Cre dorsal pancreas (dp) shows both glucagon⁺ cells and AFP⁺ cells to occur in clusters. Glucagon and AFP expression are mutually exclusive. The ratio of glucagon⁺ cells:AFP⁺ cells:Pdx1⁺ cells varies greatly between different sections of the same $Sox \mathcal{G}^{R/R}$; Pdx1-Cre pancreas. Scale bar: 20 µm.



Fig. S5. Competence window for *Sox9*-deleted pancreatic progenitors to adopt hepatic fates closes by E12.5. (A-C) AFP⁺ or albumin⁺ cells are not detected in the E15.5 *Sox9*^{*llf*}; *Rosa26-CreER* pancreatic epithelium (indicated by broken lines in B,C) after intraperitoneal (i.p.) tamoxifen-induced *Sox9* deletion at E12.5. li, liver. Scale bar: 50 μ m.



Fig. S6. *Ptf1a*-deficient pancreatic progenitors retain pancreatic identity. (Aa-Cd) Pancreatic progenitors in E10.5 wild-type (*WT*) dorsal (Aa-Ad) and ventral (Ba-Bd) pancreas express Pdx1, Sox9 and Ptf1a; both Pdx1 and Sox9 are expressed in dorsal pancreas of *Ptf1a*-/- mice (Ca-Cd). (**Da-Fd**) Like Pdx1 and Sox9, Fgfr2 expression persists in the *Ptf1a*-/- dorsal pancreas (Fa-Fd) as in dorsal (Da-Dd) and ventral (Ea-Ed) wild-type pancreata. (**H-J**) At E11.5, both Sox9 and Pdx1 are maintained in *Ptf1a*-/- dorsal pancreas (H,J), as in wild-type dorsal (G,I) and ventral (G',I') pancreata. AFP is not detected in E11.5 wild-type dorsal (I) and ventral (I') pancreata or dorsal pancreas of *Ptf1a*-/- wentral pancreas is not shown as it is histologically undetectable by E11.5. Broken line demarcates the boundary between the dorsal pancreas and duodenum (Aa-Ad,Ca-Cd,Da-Dd,Fa-Fd). dp, dorsal pancreas; vp, ventral pancreas; duo, duodenum; cbd, common bile duct; li, liver. Scale bars: 20 µm.

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Primer	Forward	Reverse
Sox9	5'-GAGCCGGATCTGAAGAGGGA-3'	5'-GCTTGACGTGTGGCTTGTTC-3'
AFP	5'-CTTCCCTCATCCTCCTGCTAC-3'	5'-ACAAACTGGGTAAAGGTGATGG-3'
Albumin	5'-TGCTTTTTCCAGGGGTGTGTT-3'	5'-TTACTTCCTGCACTAATTTGGCA-3'
Transferrin	5'-TGGGGGTTGGGTGTACGAT-3'	5'-AGCGTAGTAGTAGGTCTGTGG-3'
G-6-P	5'-CGACTCGCTATCTCCAAGTGA-3'	5'-GTTGAACCAGTCTCCGACCA-3'
Fgfr2b	5'-CCCATCCTCCAAGCTGGACTG-3'	5'-CAGAGCCAGCACTTCTGCATTG-3'
Fgfr2c	5'-CCCATCCTCCAAGCTGGACTG-3'	5'-TCTCACAGGCGCTGGCAGAAC-3'
Fgfr4	5'-TTGGCCCTGTTGAGCATCTTT-3'	5'-GCCCTCTTTGTACCAGTGACG-3'

Table S1. Sequences of primers used for mRNA quantification by qRT-PCR