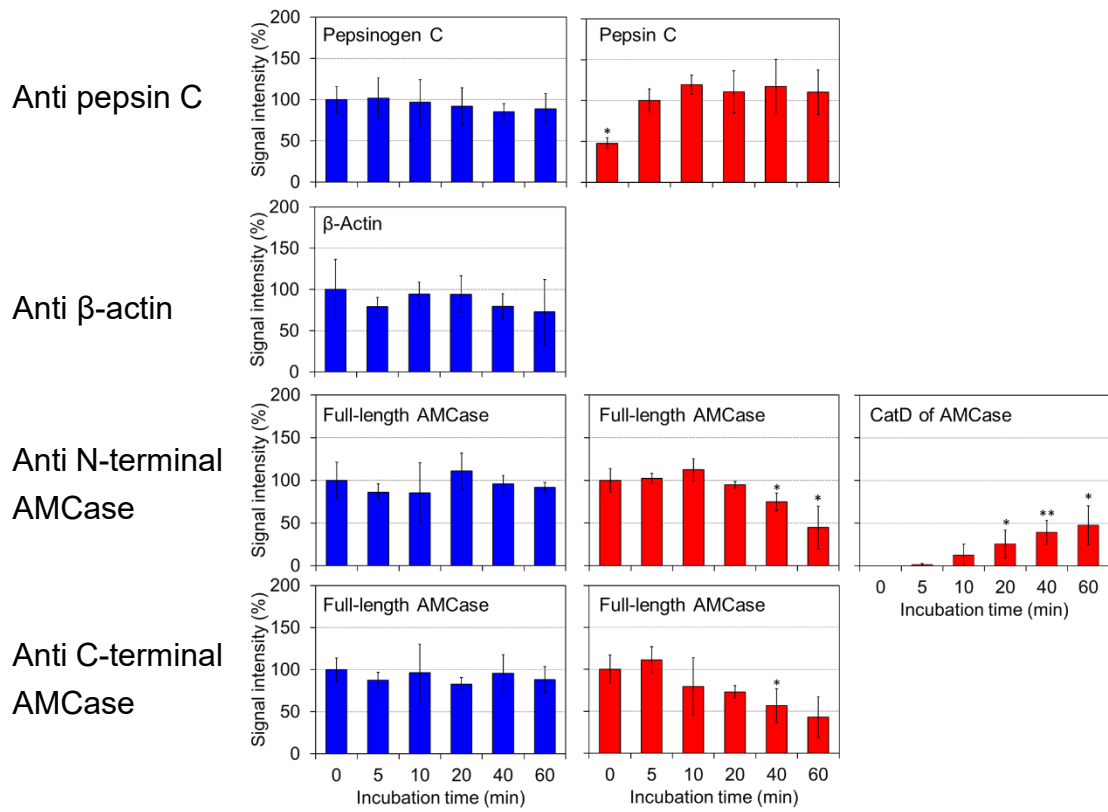


## Supplementary Information

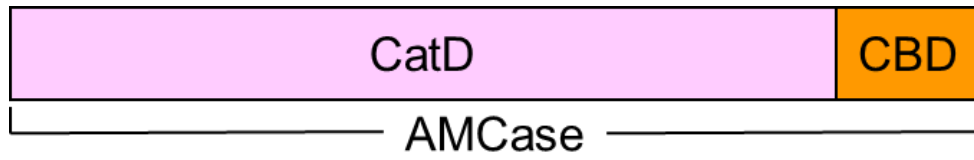
### **Acidic mammalian chitinase is a proteases-resistant glycosidase in mouse digestive system**

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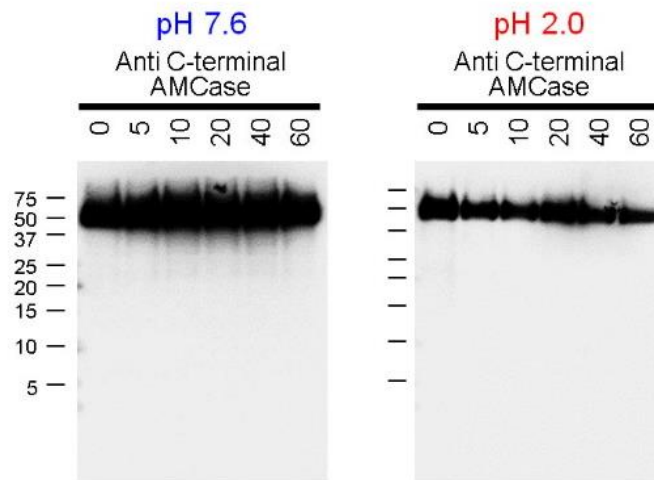
Supplementary Fig. S1. Changes of protein levels in the Western blot in Fig. 1c. Soluble proteins obtained from mouse stomach were incubated at pH 7.6 (blue bars) or 2.0 (red bars) and carried out Western blot analysis as described in the Fig. 1c. The signal intensities were quantified as described in the Materials and Methods. The signal intensities of pepsinogen C (pH 7.6),  $\beta$ -actin (pH 7.6) and full length AMCase (pH 7.6 and 2.0) at incubated 0 min were defined as 100%. The signal intensity of pepsin (pH 2.0) at incubated 5 min. CatD of AMCase were calculated as 100% at incubated 0 min of full length. as 100%. Values represent mean  $\pm$  SD conducted in triplicate. \* $p < 0.05$ , \*\* $p < 0.01$ . P-values were determined using Student's t-test.



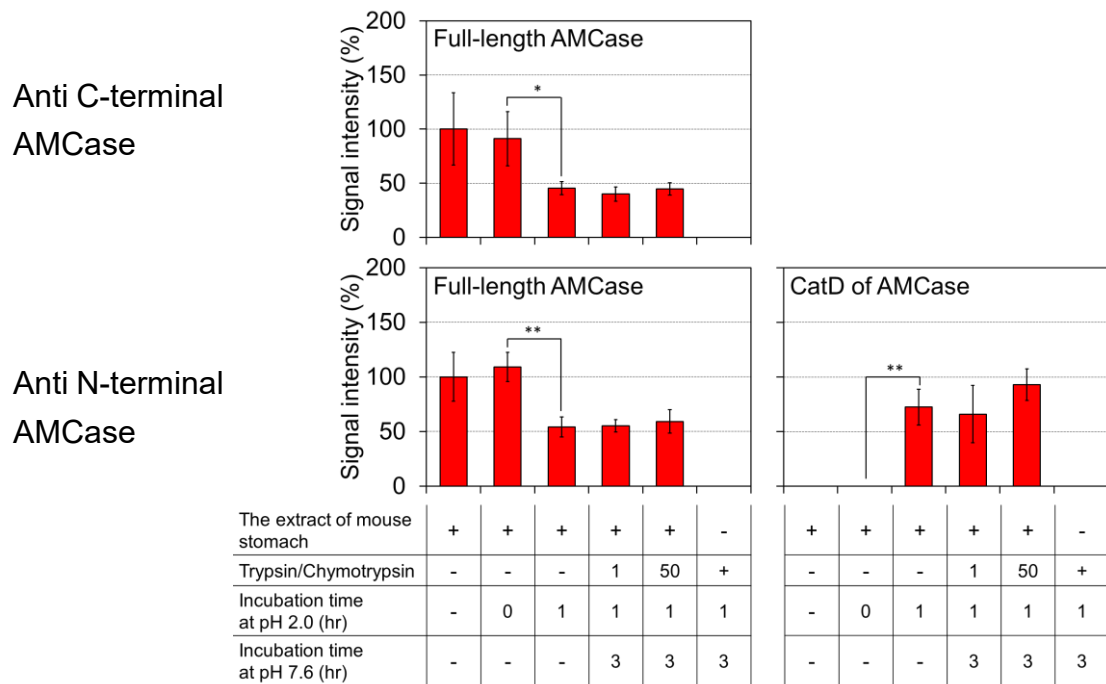
Supplementary Fig. S2. Schematic representation of mouse AMCase protein. Mouse AMCase is composed of an N-terminal catalytic domain (CatD) and a C-terminal chitin binding domain (CBD).

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**QC**INGITYQQHCQAGLVFDTSCNCCNWP

Supplementary Fig. S3. Locations and sequences of the antigens used for the anti N-terminal or anti C-terminal AMCcase antibody in the mature mouse AMCcase protein. The antigen sequences are shown in red, and the CBD region is underlined. Deduced molecular masses of the CBD is about 5 kDa.



Supplementary Fig. S4. Western blot analysis of the AMCase using anti C-terminal antibody. Soluble proteins obtained from mouse stomach were incubated at 37°C for 0, 5, 10, 20, 40 and 60 min at pH 7.6 or 2.0. The fragments of CBD (about 5 kDa) itself and the 9 kDa containing CBD were not detected at even longer exposure condition.



Supplementary Fig. S5. Changes of AMCase protein levels in the Western blot in Fig. 3. The signal intensities in Fig. 3b and c were quantified as described in the Materials and Methods. The signal intensities of full length AMCase at incubated 0 min were defined as 100%. Values represent mean  $\pm$  SD conducted in triplicate. \* $p < 0.05$ , \*\* $p < 0.01$ . P-values were determined using Student's t-test.

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Supplementary Fig. S6. Nucleotide sequence of the single standard DNA used for real-time PCR. The single standard DNA, 1,349 nucleotides long, contained cDNA fragments of AMCase, pepsinogen C, Chit1, GAPDH,  $\beta$ -actin, gastric intrinsic factor, mucin, gastrin and H<sup>+</sup>/K<sup>+</sup>-ATPase in a one-to-one ratio. The PCR-target regions are shown in bold underline. The restriction sites are shown bold italic. Red, AMCase; green, pepsinogen C; blue, Chit1; purple, GAPDH; orange,  $\beta$ -actin; pastel pink, gastric intrinsic factor; rose berry, mucin; aqua, gastrin; light blue, H<sup>+</sup>/K<sup>+</sup>-ATPase. Calculated molecular mass, 833480.6.

Supplementary Table S1. List of qPCR primers. Gif, gastric intrinsic factor; ATPase, H<sup>+</sup>/K<sup>+</sup>-ATPase.

Target gene	Fw (5' to 3')	Rv (5' to 3')
Gif	GCAGAGACCCTGGAAGTAAAG	CATAGAAGGCCGAGGATTCAG
Mucin	CGATGTGTAGCCAGGATTGT	GTGGCGTGGTAGATGTAGATAG
Gastrin	CAGGGTCCTCAACACTTCATAG	CCAAAGTCCATCCATCCGTAG
ATPase	CCAGCTCTACCTGAATGAGAAG	TGGATACAAGTCCCGCAAAG