Supplementary figures and movies



Supplementary Figure S1. (For Fig.2)

A-A'''': Higher magnifications of stills of time lapse movies shown in Fig. 3, to highlight the phenotypes in the ventral epidermis. Magenta and green arrows point to two different groups of cells that gradually assume a "cyst-like" structure. Scale bar = $50\mu m$.

B-D''. Stills of time lapse movies showing expression of GFP-tagged *D*E-Cadherin in embryos after dorsal closure. Control: *foscrb*, *DE-cad*;;*GFP*; crb^{GX24} . C-C" and D-D" show two different embryos of the same genotype. Anterior is left, dorsal up. Scale bar = 50µm.

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-Suppl. Fig. S2–

Supplementary Figure S2. (For Fig.2)

A-B^{****}: Stills of time lapse movies showing expression of GFP-tagged *D*E-Cadherin in embryos during dorsal closure. Control: *foscrb*, *DE-cad*;;*GFP*; *crb*^{GX24}. Dorsal closure fails in some mutant embryos with hg and Mt exposed out (B^{**}). The posterior zippering is not initiated due to failure in fusion of the posterior most abdominal segments (green arrow heads in B and B^{****}). Scale bar = 50µm.



Supplementary Figure S3. (For Fig.4)

Stage 13 *foscrb;* crb^{GX24} control (A-A'', D-D''), crb^{11A22} (B-B'', E-E'') and *foscrb_{ICD}* crb^{11A22} (C-C'', F-F'') embryos stained with either Sdt or *Da*PKC (apical) and Dlg as the (lateral). Magenta arrow in C: apical enrichment of Sdt; yellow arrow in C: punctae staining of Sdt inside cells; magenta arrow in F: Apical enrichment of *Da*PKC. Scale bar = 5 μ m



Supplementary Figure S4. (For Fig.5)

Quantification of Notch intra staining. For the imaging, a z-stack was imaged in similar areas for controls and mutants in the dorsal epidermis and ventral epidermis. The slice with apical Bazooka staining was used to quantify the intensities for Notch Intra staining ensuring mostly apical Notch enrichment was quantified.





Supplementary Movie M1, M2 (For Fig.2)

Time lapse movies of endogenously tagged *DE*-Cadherin-GFP lines during germ band retraction (dorsal view) (M1) and dorsal closure (lateral view)(M2).



Supplementary Movie M3 (For Fig.2)

Close up of the disintegrated ventral epidermis of the $foscrb_{ICD} crb^{11A22}$ embryos from M2.



Supplementary Movie M4 (For Fig.2)

Two embryos of the genotype $foscrb_{ICD} crb^{11A22}$ tagged with *D*E-Cadherin-GFP showing different degrees of rescue.

Supplementary Material and Methods

Establishment of transgenic fly lines

The procedure is modified from that published previously (Bird et al., 2011)

Region of *crb* where homology arms were targeted:

A description of the different regions in the *crb* locus, where the forward and reverse homology arms were targeted for the *foscrb* variants is mentioned below. The introns are represented in small letters (in black) and the exons are represented in capital letters (in blue). The region of the homology arm is highlighted in green and the stop codon TAG is mentioned in bold letters. The corresponding exon no. is mentioned on the right.

a) *foscrb*_{ICD}:

Forward homology arm

0)	
tgcagATGTCGCCTCAGTGGCGGTGCCGACGAAGGAGGCGTACTTTAATGGCTCCA	
CTTACCTCCGCCTCACCACGCCGATGCCCATTTGGGATCACTCGGCGATTAGTTT	Exon 2
CCGCTCGTGCCGCGGCGGCGAGATCCTCGCCCAGCAGTACAACAAGAACTCCAT	EXON 2
TGTAATCTCAGTGCTCAATGACTTTCTGCAAATCTCACTGGCTGG	
CATGGGCCCAACAACCGGCTGGATGTCAAGCTGCCCTACCAACTGCTGGACAAC	
CGCTGGCATACGCTGCAGTTCAAGTACGAGTACGGAAATCTCTACCTGCATGTG	
GATCGCGCGGCAAGCATATTTGgtaagtaaccatgccgttctggctgccccaaattggatttcaggctctatcgc	
ccactcattcgggtcag	

Reverse homology arm

GTACCGATGTGCAAATGTAGTCTGGGATACACTGGTCGCCTGTGCGAGCAGGAC	Evon 12
	EXUII 12
ATTAACGAGTGCGAATCGAATCCATGCCAGAACGGTGGTCAGTGTAAGGACCTC	
GTCGGCAGGTACGAGTGCGATTGCCAGGGCACCGGGTTCGAGGGCATTCGCTGT	
GAAAATGACATCGACGAGTGCAACATGGAGGGAGATTACTGCGGCGGATTGGG	
CCGGTGTTTCAACAAGCCCGGATCCTTCCAGTGCATCTGCCAGAAACCCTATTG	
CGGAGCCTACTGCAACTTTACGGATCCCTGCAACGCTACGGACCTCTGCTCAAA	
CGGCGGTCGCTGCGTAGAGTCCTGCGGCGCCAAACCGGACTACTACTGCGAGTG	
TCCGGAAGGTTTCGCGGGAAAGAATTGCACA <mark>GCACCG</mark> gtaagttttcaatgatacactacaaattc	
agtgaaagaaaaacaatatattgatttcttcgcttttttcagATTACGGCCAAGGAGGACGGGCCTTCGACC	Evon 12
ACAGACATTGCCATCATTGTAATACCCGTAGTGGTGGTGCTGCTGCTGATCGGG	EXOII 15
GAGCCCTCCTGGGCACCTTCCTGGTGATGGCCAGGAACAAGCGAGCAACCAGG	
GGCACCTATAGCCCGAGCGCGCAAGAGTACTGCAACCCACGGCTGGAAATGGA	
CAACGTACTGAAGCCACCGCCGGAAGAGCGACTAATTTAG	

b) *foscrb*_{EGFP-ECD}

Forward homology arm: The two sequences shaded in green were combined to generate the forward homology arm. This was done to make sure that the stop codon (bold TAG) is in frame.

gta agtttt caa at gata cacta caa att cagt gaa agaa a	Exon 13
AGGAGGACGGGCCTTCGACCACAGACATTGCCATCATTGTAATACCCGTAG	
TGGTGGTGCTGCTGATCGCGGGAG <mark>CCCTCCTGGGCACCTTCCTGGTGAT</mark>	
GGCCAGGAACAAGCGAGCAACCAGGGGCACCTATAGCCCGAGCGCGCAAG	
AGTACTGCAACCCACGGCTGGAAATGGACAACGTACTGAAGCCACCGCCGG	
AAGAGCGACTA <mark>ATTTAG</mark> TTTTGAGTTTTGAGCA	
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Reverse homology arm

07	
ATTACGGCCAAGGAGGACGGGCCTTCGACCACAGACATTGCCATCATTGTA	Exon 13
ATACCCGTAGTGGTGGTGCTGCTGCTGATCGCGGGAGCCCTCCTGGGCACCT	
TCCTGGTGATGGCCAGGAACAAGCGAGCAACCAGGGGGCACCTATAGCCCGA	
GCGCGCAAGAGTACTGCAACCCACGGCTGGAAATGGACAACGTACTGAAG	
CCACCGCCGGAAGAGCGACTAATT TAG<mark>TTTTGAGTTTTGAGCATGAACGAC</mark>	
GATTAGCAAAGCAAACAAAAGATAT TTTTAAATCCGCCCATATACACCTAG	
CTGTAGGAGTAACTCAATGTTTTGTACTAAGTT	

The homology arms used

The sequences of the homology arms used to generate and amplify the rpsl-neo modification cassette are given below. The homology arms consist of a sequence corresponding to *crb* locus (in blue letters) followed by a sequence corresponding to the rpsl-neo casstte (in black letters).

foscrb variant	Forward homology arm	Reverse homology arm
foscrb _{ICD}	ATGTCGCCTCAGTGGCGGTG	GTTTTTCTTTCACTGAATTTG
	CCGACGAAGGAGGCGTACT	TAGTGTATCATTTGAAAACT
	TTAATGGCTCCGGCCTGGTG	TACCGGTGCTCAGAAGAACT
	ATGATGGCGGGA	CGTCAAGAAGG
foscrb _{EGFP-ECD}	CCCTCCTGGGCACCTTCCTG	AATATCTTTTGTTTGCTTTGC
	GTGATGGCCAGGAACAAGC	TAATCGTCGTTCATGCTCAA AACTCAAAATCAGAAGAAC
	GAGCAACCAGGATTTAGGG	TCGTCAAGAAGG
	CCTGGTGATGATGGCGGGGAT	
	CG	

 Table 1 : Homology arms used for the first recombineering step

foscrb	Lagging strand	Leading strand
variant		
foscrb _{ICD}	A*T*GTCGCCTCAGTGGCGGT	G*T*TTTTCTTTCACTGAATT
	GCCGACGAAGGAGGCGTACT	TGTAGTGTATCATTTGAAA
	TTAATGGCTCCGCACCGGTA	ACTTACCGGTGCGGAGCCA
	AGTTTTCAAATGATACACTA	TTAAAGTACGCCTCCTTCGT
	CAAATTCAGTGAAAGAAAAA	CGGCACCGCCACTGAGGCG
	С	ACAT
foscrb _{EGFP-ECD}	C*C*CTCCTGGGCACCTTCCT	A*A*TATCTTTTGTTTGCTTT
	GGTGATGGCCAGGAACAAGC	GCTAATCGTCGTTCATGCTC
	GAGCAACCAGGATTTAGTTT	AAAACTCAAAACTAAATCC
	TGAGTTTTGAGCATGAACGA	TGGTTGCTCGCTTGTTCCTG
	CGATTAGCAAAGCAAACAAA	GCCATCACCAGGAAGGTGC
	AGATATT	CCAGGAGGG

List of oligonucleotides used for the 2nd recombineering step

Table 2: Single stranded oligos used in the second recombineering step

List of primers used for PCR and sequencing

foscrb variant	Forward primer	Reverse primer
foscrb _{ICD}	GGCCTGGTGATGATGGCGGG	TACGCTTAGATACTCTAG
	ATCG	AGC
foscrb _{EGFP-ECD}	ACCTGCCAGAATGGATTCA	TCAGAAGAACTCGTCAAG
		AAGG

Table 3: Primers for checking correct integration of rpsl-neo cassette

foscrb variant	Forward primer	Reverse primer
foscrb _{ICD}	GGCAATCTTGATCTTCTCTTG	TACGCTTAGATACTCTAG AGC
foscrb _{EGFP-ECD}	GGTACGAGTGCGATTGCCAG	TACGCTTAGATACTCTAG AGC

Table 4: Primers for checking correct removal of rpsl-neo cassette

foscrb variant	Forward primer	Reverse primer
foscrb _{ICD}	GGCAATCTTGATCTTCTCTT	TACGCTTAGATACTCTAGA
	G	GC
foscrb _{EGFP-ECD}	GGTACGAGTGCGATTGCCA	TACGCTTAGATACTCTAGA
	G	GC

Table 5: Primers for sequencing generated variants

List of fly lines and antibodies used in this study

w ;; crb^{11A22}/TTG	<i>crb</i> null allele; BSC #3448
w ⁻ ;;crb ^{GX24} /TTG	<i>crb</i> null allele (Huang et al., 2009)
w^{-} ; foscrb; crb ^{GX24}	(Klose et al., 2013)
w ⁻ ;;foscrb _{ICD} crb ^{11A22} /TTG	This study
w ⁻ ;;foscrb _{ICD} crb ^{GX24} /TTG	This study
w;;foscrb _{EGPF-ECD} crb ^{GX24} /TTG	This study
w ⁻ ;;foscrb ^{EGFP} crb ^{GX24}	This study
w:DE-cad::GFP	DE-cadherin fused with GFP knock-in allele;
	homozygous viable (Huang et al., 2009)
w;UAS-flw-HA	BSC #23703
w-;UAS – Notch[intraMHLS]/Cyo[wg-	Gift from Thomas Klein (Klein and Arias, 1998)
lacZ];MKRS/TM6	
UAS-DE-cad	Klebes, A. and Knust, E. (unpublished results)
TTG	BSC #6663

Table 6: Fly lines used in this study

	Animal	Dilution	Source
anti-Crb2.8	Rat	1:500	(Richard et al., 2006)
anti-Crb Intra	Rabbit	1:200	(Kumichel et al., 2015)
anti-Disc Large	Mouse	1:50	DSHB #4F3
anti-Bazooka	Rabbit	1:500	(Wodarz et al., 1999)
anti-DPatj	Rabbit	1:1000	(Richard et al., 2006)
anti-Stranded at Second	Rabbit	1:500	(Wodarz et al., 1995). Kindly provided by
			D.Cavener
anti-Hunchback	Guinea pig	1:500	(Mettler et al., 2006). Kindly provided by
			J.Urban
anti-Stardust	Rabbit	1:500	(Berger et al., 2007)
anti-Par6	Guinea pig	1:500	(Kim et al., 2009). Kindly provided by
			A.Wodarz
anti-aPKC	Rabbit	1:200	Santa Cruz C20
anti-Notch	Mouse	1:100	DSHB C17.9C6 Conc. Purified
anti-Neurotactin	Mouse	1:10	DSHB BP106
anti-Achaete	Mouse	1:10	(Skeath and Carroll, 1992). DSHB
anti-Deadpan	Guinea pig	1:500	(Levy and Larsen, 2013). Kindly provided by J.
			Skeath
anti-phospho tyrosine	Mouse	1:100	BD Biosciences

Table 7: List of primary antibodies used in this study

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