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Data collection Microscopy Images were acquired using Zen Black 11 (service pack 7) and Zen Blue 2.3 software, and finalized using Photoshop CS5.1. FACS data was obtained with Summit program version 6.3.1.

Data analysis RNASeq data Bioinformatic analysis was performed with Trimmomatic (Version 0.27) (Bolger et al., 2014), Tophat (version 2) (Kim et al., 2013), HTSeqcount tool (Version 0.8) (Anders et al., 2015), DESeq2 (Version 1.16) (Love et al., 2014).

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Upon request, all the data that support the results of this study are available from the corresponding author.

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Sample size	The sample sizes were chosen based on previous studies with similar methodologies (Avigad-Laron et al. 2018 Cell Reports).
Data exclusions	No data were excluded from the analysis.
Replication	All attempts at replication were successful and at least 3 replicates were performed.
Randomization	Wild type and mutant mice were selected based on their genotype.
Blinding	Blinding was not used since control and mutant mice are readily distinguished based on their phenotypes.

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Antibodies

Antibodies used Lgr4 (Rabbit polyclonal to GPCR GPR48 - C-terminal, 1:200, Abcam Ab224480) Lgr5(Rabbit monoclonal [EPR3065Y] to LGR5, 1:200, Abcam Ab75850), Lgr6 (Rabbit Polyclonal to GPCR LGR6, 1:200, Abcam Ab214325), Rnf43(Rabbit polyclonal to RNF43, 1:200, Abcam Ab217787), Znrf3(Rabbit polyclonal,1:200, Bioss Abs, bs-9141-R), Bcat(Mouse monoclonal [15B8] to beta Catenin, 1:200, Abcam Ab6301), P-cadherin (Rat monoclonal anti P-Cadherin, clone 106020, R&D SYSTEMS #MAB761 1:100), Ki67 (Rabbit polyclonal to Ki67, Abcam Ab15580, 1:100).

Validation Antibody validation information can be found on manufacturers' website. Anti Lgr4 (<https://www.abcam.com/gpcr-gpr48-antibody-c-terminal-ab224480.html>), Anti Lgr5 (<https://www.abcam.com/lgr5-antibody-epr3065y-ab75850.html>) , Anti Lgr6 (<https://www.abcam.com/gpcr-lgr6-antibody-ab214325.html>), Anti Rnf43 (<https://www.abcam.com/rnf43-antibody-ab217787.html>) , Anti Beta-catenin (<https://www.abcam.com/beta-catenin-antibody-15b8-ab6301.html>) , Anti Znrf3 (<https://www.biossusa.com/products/bs-9141r>), Anti Ki67 (<https://www.abcam.com/ki67-antibody-sp6-ab16667.html>), Anti P-cadherin (https://www.rndsystems.com/products/human-mouse-p-cadherin-antibody-106020_mab761)

Animals and other organisms

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Laboratory animals Fgfr1Flox/Flox (Fgfr1tm5Sor)(Hoch et al., 2006), Fgfr2Flox/Flox (Fgfr2tm1Dor)(Yu et al., 2003), Ctnnb1Flox/Flox (Ctnnb1tm2Kem) (Braut et al, 2001), ROSA26 YFP reporter (Gt(ROSA)26Sortm1(EYFP)Cos)(Srinivas et al., 2001), and Axin2-lacZ reporter (Axin2tm1Wbm) (Lustig et al., 2002), were obtained from Jackson Lab. The DP-specific Corin-cre (Corintm2Bamo) mouse was provided by Bruce Morgan (Harvard medical school). Rspo3Flox/Flox mice were kindly provided by Chritof Niehrs (Kazanskaya, 2008). Mice were bred to a mixed background and collected between postnatal day 8 to 28. Both genders were used.

Wild animals	The study did not involve wild animals.
Field-collected samples	The study did not involve samples collected from the field.
Ethics oversight	The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee of Bar Ilan University

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Flow Cytometry

Plots

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Methodology

Sample preparation	To obtain a single-cell suspension, whole skin was placed dermis side down in 0.25% Trypsin (GIBCO) at 4°C overnight, minced and stirred for 1hr in 0.2% collagenase at 37°C. The cells were then filtered with strainers (100µM, 70µM, and 40µM).
Instrument	MoFlo Astrios (Backman Coulter)
Software	Summit program
Cell population abundance	Pre-Enrichment target cell population with an average abundance of 1.13%, post- enrichment 62%. Sample purity was determined by analysis of yfp% from final sample (86%).
Gating strategy	DP cell labelled endogenously with YFP were purified through a two-step protocol. Step 1 (Enrichment) was performed on 1-2 mode collecting YFP% positive cells, then Step 2 (Purify) was performed on 1-mode.

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