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- Accession codes, unique identifiers, or web links for publicly available datasets
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All data is available in the main text or the supplementary materials. In addition, Source Data are provided. There are no accession codes, unique identifiers or weblinks in our study and no restrictions on data availability.

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Life sciences study design

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Sample size	We determined the same size based on similar experimental setups described in previous publication Dev Biol. 2017 Dec 15;432(2):222-228. Based on this study, the same size used in the current study is sufficient to assess statistical significance.
Data exclusions	No data were excluded from this study.
Replication	Multiple trials/biological of each experiment were conducted. Replicates are indicated in the figure legends or where combined for data representation.
Randomization	Samples were randomly chosen and allocated into experiments groups. For <i>C. elegans</i> experiments, animals from each strain or transgenic line were randomly selected.
Blinding	Experiments were conducted by multiple investigators blinded to genotype.

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Materials & experimental systems

Methods

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Antibodies

Antibodies used	<p>Mouse monoclonal anti-V5 (clone SV5-pk1) BioRad MCA1630 - 1:1000</p> <p>Mouse monoclonal anti-alpha-tubulin (clone 12G10) Developmental Studies Hybridoma Bank AB1157911 - 1:200</p> <p>Mouse-polyclonal anti-GFP Sigma Aldrich 11814460001 - 1:1000</p> <p>Rabbit-monoclonal anti-pH3 Sigma Aldrich 06570 (clone H3S10P) - 1:1000</p> <p>Goat anti-Mouse IgG (H+L) Secondary Antibody, HRP conjugate Life Technologies 32430 - 1:1000</p> <p>Goat anti-Mouse IgG (H+L) Cross-Adsorbed Secondary Antibody, HRP conjugate, Alexa Fluor 488 Invitrogen A-11001 - 1:1000</p> <p>Goat anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L) Cross-Adsorbed Secondary Antibody, Alexa Fluor Plus 647 Invitrogen A32733- 1:1000</p>
Validation	<p>Mouse monoclonal anti-V5 (clone SV5-pk1) BioRad MCA1630 (PMIDs: 1713260, 7504859, 34038716), • Mouse monoclonal anti-alpha-tubulin (clone 12G10) Developmental Studies Hybridoma Bank AB1157911 (PMID: 7781905), • Mouse-polyclonal anti-GFP Sigma Aldrich 11814460001 (PMID: 24746148), Rabbit-polyclonal anti-pH3 Sigma Aldrich 06570 (PMIDs: 12386157, 18043729)</p>

Eukaryotic cell lines

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Cell line source(s)	HEK293T (ATCC Cat# CRL-1573; RRID:CVCL_0045), Wild-type mouse embryonic fibroblast (MEF) - gift from John Couchman, University of Copenhagen, Denmark. PMID: 20154082, Syndecan-4 knockout MEF - gift from John Couchman, University of Copenhagen, Denmark. PMID: 20154082.
Authentication	None of the cell lines were authenticated.
Mycoplasma contamination	Cell lines were not tested for mycoplasma contamination but no indication of contamination was observed.
Commonly misidentified lines (See ICLAC register)	No commonly misidentified cell lines were used.

Animals and other organisms

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Laboratory animals	The following <i>C. elegans</i> strains were used in this study at larval stage 4 and young adult hermaphrodites: AH205, VC602, JK5933, RB690, RJP3846, RJP3867, RJP3866, RJP3857, RJP3855, RJP3863, RJP3858, RJP3746, RJP3747, RJP3845, RJP4118, RJP4729, RJP4730, RJP4744, RJP4035, RJP4731, RJP5186, RJP5187, RJP5188, KHK667, RJP5189, RJP5190, JK4472
Wild animals	No wild animals were used in the study.
Field-collected samples	No field collected samples were used in the study.
Ethics oversight	Ethical approval is not required for <i>Caenorhabditis elegans</i> studies

Note that full information on the approval of the study protocol must also be provided in the manuscript.