Supplemental Figure 1: Genome editing, related to Figures 1 and 3. (A) Sequences of the CAS9 targeted GRP78 locus, from 4 different injected embryos. Wild-type DNA sequence for the locus is shown on top; the number of deleted bases is indicated between parenthesis; grey and brown boxes show CAS9 target and PAM sites, respectively. (B) Gel migration of PCR amplified GRP78 locus with (+T7) or without (-T7) T7E1 treatment. White arrows show bands smaller than the expected amplicon, due to T7 activity on double strand DNA mismatch resulting from CRISPR/CAS9 indels (6 out of 9 injected embryos showed similar gel bands and indels); M, markers of molecular weight. (C) GRP78 locus, with the CAS9 target site and the primers used for pcr amplification.





Supplemental Figure 2: Expression patterns for wild-type and transgenic *epi-a, psap* and *tnn* genes, related to Figure 2. (A) Mosaic transgene expression in juvenile worms. Transgene name is indicated in the bottom left corner. TagRFP-T (red); Kaede (green); DAPI (nuclei, blue). (B) Expression of *epiA::TagRFP-T* transgene in hatchlings. Top (B1) and side view (B2) of a patch of epidermal cells. Yellow arroheads point at epidermal cell nuclei positions. (B3) Ciliature of an epidermal cell. (B4) *EpiA+* cells, lie on the pharynx wall. (C) Expression of *psap::Kaede* transgene in hatchlings. (C1) Kaede expressing cells in the hatchling head(white arrowhead indicates the statocyst position). (C2) Kaede expressing cells at the parenchyma-epidermis junction. Kaede+ digestive tissue protruding, through the pharynx sphincter, within the pharynx cavity, as seen in longitudinal (C3) and cross (C4) sections. White dashed lines delineate the pharynx cavity; Ph, *pharynx lumen; s, pharynx sphincter*. TagRFP-T (red); Kaede (green); DAPI (nuclei, blue). Scale bars, B1, B2, C2, 20 µm; B3, 5 µm; B4, C1, C3, C4, 50 µm.(D) Fluorescent *in situ* hybridization of riboprobes (red) for *epiA, psap* and *tnn* are shown in adults and hatchlings of *Hofstenia* worms. White arrowhead points to *epiA*-expressing cells in the male penis stylet opening. Yellow arrowheads point at *epiA*-expressing cells in adult that were not consistently recapitulated by transgene expression. An example of the variety of expression patterns observed for *epiA* shown in four different hatchlings. All worms are oriented anterior side up and images of adult worms show their ventral side. Nuclei are counterstained with DAPI (blue). *Ph, pharynx lumen*. Scale bars, 100 µm. *Images shown are representative of at least 10 and 6 samples for FISH and transgenic, respectively.*



Supplemental Figure 3: Transgenic toolkit, related to Figure 3. (A) Controls for FACS and ICC. Anti-Tropomyosin (TPM) immunohistochemistry on FACS-isolated cells, from *tnn::Kaede* transgenics. Scale bars, 20 µm. (B) Regeneration in *epiA::TagRFP-T* transgenics. Regeneration time course of both anterior and posterior fragments after sub-pharyngeal bisection. Time elapsed since amputation is indicated at the bottom (dpa, days post amputation). White arrowhead points to *de novo* transgene expression in posterior fragment. For each time points, 6 worms were amputated, the frequency of the phenotype is indicated in the left bottom corner. All images are projection of confocal z-stacks, taken ventrally, and oriented anterior side up. Scale bars, 200 µm.







Supplemental Figure 4: Details of muscle anatomy and live studies, related to Figure 2 and 4. (A) Full length peripheral muscle fiber in G0 animal. (B) The tip of the tail appears deprived of peripheral muscles. Blue arrowhead points to the posterior extremity of a peripheral muscle. (C) Posterior parenchymal muscles (red arrowhead) connect body wall fibers together (orange arrowheads). Cellular projections can be observed connecting parenchymal fibers together (red arrow). (D, E) The pharynx is contained within a dense, basket-shaped (D), three-layered (E) muscular network. Green arrowheads indicate longitudinal pharyngeal muscles; magenta arrowhead point at circular pharyngeal muscles. Scale bars, A, E,10 µm; B, C, 20 µm; D, 50 µm. (F) Transgene expression as seen in G1 or G2 embryos at three different time points : right after detection (Early, 4.5 days post fertilization), then 1-2 days later (Mid) and finally, prior hatching (Late, 7-8 days post fertilization), when the embryos are constantly spinning within their capsule. Name of the transgene is indicated on the left side of the panel. Scale bars, 100 µm. *Images shown are representative of 6 (muscle, hatchlings) and at least 10 samples (gut and epidermis, embryos)*.



Supplemental Figure 5: Dual labeling of muscle with *epiA*+ and *psap*+ cells, related to Figures 2 and 5. (A) Crossing of G1 *epiA::-TagRFP-T* with G1 *tnn::Kaede* transgenic lines. (Left) Double transgenic *epiA::Tag-RFP-T*; *tnn::Kaede*, hatchling, projection of confocal *z*-stack. (Right, top) Pharynx, longitudinal section. (Right, bottom) Ciliature of *epiA*+ pharyngeal cells. Kaede (green); TagRFP-T (red). Scale bars, left, 100 µm; top right, 50 µm; bottom right, 10 µm. (B) Dual abeling of muscle with *psap*+ cells. Anti-TPM immunohistochemistry on *psap::Kaede* G2 transgenic animals. (Left) Whole worm (hatchling), projection of confocal *z*-stack. (Right, top) Pharynx, posterior, cross section. (Right, bottom) Association of digestive tissue with muscle fibers (white arrowheads), in the tail of the animal. Kaede (green); TPM (red). Scale bars, left, 100 µm; top right, 50 µm; bottom right, 20 µm. *Images shown are representative of at least 5 samples.*



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Step	Issue	Troubleshooting		
DNA preparation	Low DNA concentration / incomplete digestion	 Decrease elution volume Digest more plasmid in several reaction tubes, then pool them Extend digestion time and/or reduce DNA concentration Use fresh I-Scel enzyme Minimize the amount of gel while cutting the band 		
	Low DNA purity	 Add extra wash buffer steps Let the wash buffer incubate on the nucleospin membrane (5 min) 		
	Poor/no band separation	 Run the gel for a longer time Check enzyme activity Add another restriction enzyme to the digestion tube, specific to the plasmid backbone, to generate multiple, distinct fragments. 		
Injection dish	Embryo popping out of the agarose well	 Force the embryo deeper into the well Make larger/longer pins to the injection mold Reduce agarose concentration 		
	Embryo falling into the wells	Make shorter pins to the injection moldIncrease agarose concentration		
	Embryo rolling into the well while trying to inject	 Reorient the embryo and/or the injection dish Increase agarose concentration Put less agarose in the injection dish 		
	Soft embryo capsule and plasma membrane	 Wash the injection dish several times with SW prior adding the embryos 		
Injection	Clogged injection needle	 Make sure to spin, 30 s at max. speed, the following components : eluted DNA, FL-Dextran, I-Scel buffer, before assembling the injection solution. Clear the needle Re-break the needle tip Load a new needle 		
	Reduced flow	 Clear the needle Increase P balance Re-break the needle tip Make steeper needles 		
	Overflow	 Decrease P balance Make thinner needles Break the needle more gently 		

Primers and restriction enzyme name (5' - 3') used for transgenesis		Amplicon size (bp)	Genome scaffold #	Position on the scaffold (**)
Promoter				
Epi-AF-AsiSI	gcgatcgcTACCTACTCTTGCACCCCTTTATA	2035	5	4293372 -
Epi-AR-Ascl	gcgatcgcTGCACTATCCTAACTACAACAA	2000		4295406
TnnF-AsiSI	gcgatcgcTCATATGCTGTGGAGGTTAATCTGT	4640	44	1808578 -
TnnR-Ascl	ggcgcgccCTAAAAATTCAATTATTTCATTT	4049		1813226
SapF-AsiSI	ggcgcgccGTAACAACACCAAGCCATGTGTTAGCCC	2100	96	1102963 -
SapR-Ascl	ggcgcgccCTTTCCTAATACTGATGCTATTTATCC	3109		1106071
3'UTR				
Epi-AF (*)	cttaaggcgtaaaggACGTAGACTGTATTAAACCATAA	072	5	4297179 -
Epi-AR-Fsel	ggccggccGTAGACTAGGGAATAGATACACTTTGT	512		4298150
TnnF-Sbfl	cctgcaggAGGAGTGACACTAACGCAGCTTAT	1030	44	1801098 -
TnnR-Fsel	ggccggccAGCCTTGGAAATGTTTGGAAGAA	1059		1802136
SapF-Sbfl	cctgcaggTAATCAGAAATTAAGAATCAATAGAAG	113/	96	1101380 -
SapR-Fsel	ggccggccGTATATCACAATACTAGAATATAAATGC	1134		1102513
Primers used for FISH experiments		Probe size	Transcript ID	
Gene name				
Tnn B(***)	AAGCTGGAGCTCCACCGCGGAAGGTCAACAGATCACTCAC	780 bp	98028242	
Tnn C	GGGCGAATTGGGTACCGGGCTTATCACCAGTGAGATCCG	700 ph		
sap B	AAGCTGGAGCTCCACCGCGGAGTTCTTCTTATCGCCTTTGCTG	486 bp	98037255	
sap C	GGGCGAATTGGGTACCGGGATCGGAAGTTTATTCATCCCAATG	400 bh		
epiA B	AAGCTGGAGCTCCACCGCGGGTCAATTGGATTGATTGGAAGGCA	401 hn	98025858	
epiA C	GGGCGAATTGGGTACCGGGATTATTTGCAGCGAAAATGTAACTC	401.00		
Primers used for CRISPR/CAS9 genome editing validation with T7				
endonuclease		ļ		
F	GAACTTGTTCTTTTGGTAGTTG	ļ		
R	AAACATCAAATGTGCCACCAC			

(*) This primer contains 15 bases (lower case) overlapping to the 3' end of a Tag-RFP-T::SV40pA fragment to which it was ligated in a gibson assembly reaction. The resulting fragment was PCR-amplified, digested with AscI and FseI enzymes and ligated into a vector already containing the pEpi-A fragment.

(**) Hofstenia genome browser is accessible at http://srivastavalab.rc.fas.harvard.edu/ (***) For each riboprobe, a forward (B) and reverse (C) primer were designer, containing adapter sequences (in red) to facilitate cloning into a vector plasmid