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61 Materials and Methods

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63 Immunohistochemistry

64 Small intestine was flushed several times with cold phosphate-buffered saline (PBS), fixed 65 in 4% paraformaldehyde for 15 h at 4°C, and embedded in paraffin (Wako) or OCT compound (Sakura Finetek). Then, 5-µm-thick tissue sections were prepared by following standard protocols. For in vitro 66 study, organoids were fixed in 4% paraformaldehyde for 30 min at room temperature and then 67 incubated in 0.1% Triton X (Nacalai Tesque) and 5% goat serum in PBS to increase cell membrane 68 permeability. Samples were then treated with purified anti-CD16/CD32 antibody (as Fc block; BD 69 Pharmingen) and incubated with fluorescein isothiocyanate-labeled or tetramethylrhodamine B 70 isothiocyanate-labeled Ulex europaeus agglutinin 1 (UEA-1) (Vector) to detect $\alpha(1,2)$ fucose. To 71 72 detect Paneth cells, samples were incubated with unlabeled polyclonal rabbit anti-lysozyme antibody (DakoCytomation) for 15 h at 4°C. After washing with PBS, unlabeled anti-lysozyme antibody-treated 73 samples were stained with Alexa Fluor 647-labeled anti-rabbit IgG (Jackson ImmunoResearch 74 75 Laboratories, Inc.). To detect the plasma membrane, samples were incubated with mouse anti-E-76 cadherin antibody (BD Transduction Laboratories). After incubation and washing with PBS, samples 77 were incubated with Alexa Fluor 594-labeled anti-mouse IgG (Thermo Fisher) as the secondary 78 antibody. To detect a defensin, samples were incubated with anti-a defensin monoclonal antibody 79 (clone 77-R63(1)). After incubation and washing with PBS, samples were incubated with Alexa Fluor 80 488-labeled anti-rat IgG (Jackson ImmunoResearch Laboratories, Inc.) as the secondary antibody. After counterstaining with 4',6-diamidino-2-phenylindole (DAPI; Sigma-Aldrich), the specimens were 81 82 examined under a confocal laser scanning microscope (LSM 800 with Airyscan, ZEISS; TCS SP2, 83 Leica; or BZ-9000, Keyence).

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85 Cell preparation and flow cytometry

86 Crypt region cells were isolated from small intestine as previously described(2). Isolated 87 small intestines were opened longitudinally, washed with cold PBS, cut into 5-mm pieces, and then 88 washed again three times with cold PBS. Tissue fragments were incubated in PBS containing 2 mM 89 EDTA for 30 min on ice, vigorously shaken in cold PBS to remove villi, and suspended in cold PBS 90 by using a 10-mL pipette. Tissue fragments were removed with a 70-µm cell strainer (Falcon). The 91 supernatant, which was enriched for crypts, was passed through a 70-µm cell strainer to remove the 92 remaining villi. Isolated crypts were pelleted by centrifugation at 200g for 5 min; suspended in fresh, 93 cold PBS; and stained with (i) Pacific Blue-labeled anti-CD45 antibody (BioLegend) to identify and 94 eliminate hematopoietic cells from analysis, (ii) allophycocyanin-labeled anti-CD24 antibody 95 (BioLegend) to identify the Paneth cell-enriched population(3), and (iii) tetramethylrhodamine B isothiocyanate-labeled UEA-1 to detect $\alpha(1,2)$ fucose. Peridinin-chlorophyll-protein-labeled Via-96 Probe solution (BD Bioscience) was used to discriminate between dead and living cells. 97

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99 Detection of *Fut2* expression by X-gal staining

100 *Fut2* promoter activity in frozen sections of small intestine in *Fut2*^{LacZ/+} mice was examined 101 by using an X-gal staining kit (Invitrogen). When β-galactosidase is produced by the LacZ gene under 102 the control of the *Fut2* promoter, X-gal (an analog of lactose) is hydrolyzed to produce a blue pigment. 103 Therefore, cells with an active Fut2 promoter were identified as blue-colored cells(4).

105 Measurement of Paneth cell granule size

106 Tissue sections were prepared as described in **Immunohistochemistry** in the main 107 manuscript. Paneth cell eosinophilic granules were stained with hematoxylin and eosin as described 108 previously(5). For frozen sections, granules in Paneth cells (lysozyme⁺ cells) were detected and their 109 size was measured by using ImageJ software(6).

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111 Analysis of purified Fut2⁺ Paneth cells and Fut2⁻ Paneth cells

112 For the analysis of purified Fut2⁺ Paneth cells and Fut2⁻ Paneth cells shown in Fig. 2d-f and Fig. S1, crypt cells were incubated with Zinpyr-1 (Santa Cruz Biotechnology) to detect Paneth cells 113 114 and with DyLight 649–labeled UEA-1 (Vector) to detect $\alpha(1,2)$ fucose. A JSAN cell sorter was used for transcriptomics analysis and data collection, and the AppSan software was used for data analysis 115 116 (Bay Bioscience). Fut2⁻ Paneth cells (as Zinpyr-1⁺ UEA-1⁻ cells) and Fut2⁺ Paneth cells (as Zinpyr-117 1⁺ UEA-1⁺ cells) were isolated from the ileum of Fut1-deficient mice (Fig. S1). Total RNA was isolated 118 from Fut2⁻ and Fut2⁺ Paneth cells by using a PureLink RNA Micro Kit (Invitrogen), and DNA 119 contamination was eliminated with PureLink DNase (Invitrogen). A complementary DNA (cDNA) 120 library was prepared by using a SMART-Seq v4 Ultra Low Input RNA Kit for Sequencing (Clontech). 121 Adapters were ligated onto both ends of the cDNA fragments. Both ends of the cDNA was sequenced 122 using a NovaSeq 6000 Sequencing System (Illumina).

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124 Preparation of mouse intestinal organoids and treatment with cytokines

Small-intestinal crypts were isolated from 8 to 12-week-old mice and the organoids were prepared as described previously(7). The organoids were cultured in Matrigel (BD Biosciences) and treated with mIL-22 (R&D Systems) (1, 10, and 100 ng/mL) for two days. The cultures were then washed with PBS and treated with cell recovery solution (BD Biosciences) for 30 min on ice. The recovered organoids were collected by centrifugation at 440*g* for 5 min.

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131 Preparation of fecal samples

Fecal samples were prepared as previously described(8). Samples were air-dried overnight, powdered by using a bead beater-type homogenizer (Beads Crusher μ T-12; TAITEC), and then dissolved in PBS for 1 h at 4°C. After centrifugation at 20,000*g* for 20 min, the supernatant was collected to measure α -defensin concentration.

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137 Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay

138 Sandwich enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay was performed as previously described(8). One-hundred-microliter aliquots of fecal samples or intestinal organoid culture medium were added 139 140 to wells coated with 1 μg/mL α-defensin monoclonal antibody (clone 77R-5)(1) and incubated at 25°C for 2 h. After washing in PBS-Tween, 100 µL of 0.5 µg/mL biotinylated detection antibody (clone 77R-141 20)(1) was added at 25°C for 1 h. Then, the wells were incubated with 100 µL of streptavidin-142 143 horseradish peroxidase conjugate (GE Healthcare Biosciences) at 25°C for 1 h. After a final wash, 144 100 µL of 3.3'.5.5'-tetramethylbenzidine chromogen substrate buffer was added and the wells were 145 incubated at 25°C for 30 min. The reaction was stopped by addition of 100 µL of 0.6 N H₂SO₄, and

absorbance values were determined at 450 nm by using a microplate reader (Multiskan FC, ThermoFisher Scientific).

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149 Visualization and quantification of Paneth cell granule secretion

150 Paneth cell granule secretion was visualized and quantified as previously described(9). Briefly, intestinal organoids were released from Matrigel by incubating the whole Matrigel in Cell 151 Recovery Solution (Corning) on ice for 5 min. After washing with cold Advanced DMEM/F12, intestinal 152 organoids were transferred to a collagen-coated 8-well chamber slide (Matsunami) at 100 intestinal 153 organoids per well. Differential interference contrast images of Paneth cells before and 10 min after 154 stimulation with 0.1 µM Carbamyl choline (CCh) were obtained by using a confocal microscope (A1, 155 Nikon). Paneth cell granule secretion was quantified by measuring granule area using the NIS-156 157 Elements AR software (ver.5.11, Nikon).

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159 Fecal microbiota transplantation

160 Fecal microbiota transplantation (FMT) was performed as reported previously(10). In short, mice were given ampicillin (1 g/L: Nacalai Tesque, Kvoto, Japan) in their drinking water for 7 days. 161 162 One day before FMT, the ampicillin-containing water was replaced with sterile water. Fecal pellets were obtained from Fut2-deficient mice or IL-22-deficient mice or their littermate wild-type mice. After 163 homogenizing one or two of the fecal pellets in 1 mL of water, the supernatants were orally 164 administered to the ampicillin-treated mice. Feces were then collected from the recipient mice each 165 166 week for five weeks after fecal transfer and the α -defensin concentration in the feces was determined 167 by enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay.

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169 Transmission electron microscopy analysis

170 Ileum was fixed at room temperature for 2 h in a solution containing 2.5% glutaraldehyde, 2% 171 paraformaldehyde, and 0.05 M cacodylate buffer (pH 7.4). After being washed with cacodylate buffer 172 three times on ice, the samples were fixed in 2% osmium tetroxide on ice for 2 h and dehydrated 173 sequentially with 30%, 50%, 70%, and 90% ethanol for 5 min at each strength. Dehydrated samples 174 were treated with propylene oxide twice for 5 min and then embedded in Epon812 resin mixture 175 (TAAB Laboratories). Ultra-thin sections (70 nm) stained with 2% uranyl acetate and Reynolds lead 176 solution were examined under a Hitachi H-7500 electron microscope.

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178 Isolation of lamina propria cells

179 After removal of Peyer's patches, the duodenum and ileum were opened longitudinally and washed several times with ice-cold PBS. The duodenum and ileum were then cut into 1-cm pieces, 180 which were incubated in 1 mM EDTA in PBS at 37 °C for 15 min with gentle shaking to remove 181 epithelial cells, as previously described (11-13). The remaining tissues were finely minced and stirred 182 for 30 min in RPMI-1640 Media (Thermo Fisher Scientific) containing 2% fetal calf serum and 183 0.5 mg/mL collagenase (Sigma-Aldrich); this process was repeated three times using fresh fetal calf 184 185 serum and collagenase. The suspension was passed through a cell strainer (70-um pore size) to 186 remove undigested debris, the filtrate was centrifuged at 1,700 rpm for 5 min, and the resulting pellet of lamina propria cells was washed with RPMI-1640 containing 2% fetal calf serum. Finally, RNA was 187

isolated from the lamina propria cells and used for real-time reverse-transcription polymerase chainreaction analysis.

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191 Isolation of RNA and real-time reverse-transcription polymerase chain reaction analysis

192 Total RNA from tissue and organoids was isolated with TRIzol reagent (Invitrogen) and cDNA was synthesized from the RNA by using a SuperScript VILO cDNA Synthesis Kit (Invitrogen). 193 The specific primers (Hokkaido System Science, Co., Ltd) and universal probes (Roche) used for the 194 real-time reverse-transcription polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) were as follows: Fut2 (forward 195 [F], 5'-gcggttcgtccattccta-3'; reverse [R], 5'-aaaggtacctgggcactcg-3', probe No.76), Lvz1 (F, 5'-196 197 ggcaaaaccccaagatctaa-3'; R, 5'-tctctcaccaccctctttgc-3', probe No.46). Rab1b 5'-(F, 5'-198 5'-tttcacgttggcgtaggact-3', probe (F, gtcaggagcggttcagga-3'; R, No.11), Rab3d aagtgtgacctggaagacgaa-3'; R, 5'-gctggcctcaaagaactcaa-3', probe No.62), 199 Rab8a (F. 5'tcaaagcaaaaatggacaaaaa-3'; R, 5'-tccactgtgatcttgactccat-3', probe No.32), 200 Rab26 (F, 5'-5'-201 tcctggctggtaccttcatc-3'; R, 5'-gccatccacatccagaactt-3', probe No.105), Rab27a (F, 202 cctgcagttatgggacacg-3'; R, 5'-ccctgaagaatgcagtggtt-3', probe No.51), Rab37 (F, 5'-203 ccaaccagtcctcttttgaca-3'; R, 5'-ccacgtctctctgggcatac-3', probe No.100), Gapdh (F, 5'tgtccgtcgtggatctgac-3'; R, 5'-cctgcttcaccaccttcttg-3', probe No.80). RT-PCR analysis was performed 204 205 with a LightCycler II Instrument (Roche Diagnostics) to measure gene expression levels. For IL-17a, a set of specific primers (F, 5'-tttaactcccttggcgcaaaa-3'; R, 5'-ctttccctccgcattgacac-3'), 2x SYBR 206 Green gPCR Master Mix (Bimake), and a StepOne Real-Time PCR System (Thermo Fisher Scientific) 207 208 were used.





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Fig. S1. Gating strategy for flow cytometric analysis and isolation of Fut2⁺ and Fut2⁻ Paneth cells

Zinpyr-1⁺ cells were gated to obtain a highly purified fraction of Paneth cells, which was then gated
 using forward scatter area (FSC-A) and side scatter width (SSC-W) to obtain single Paneth cells.
 From the single Paneth cells, *Ulex europaeus* agglutinin-1–positive (UEA-1⁺) cells were gated as

Fut2⁺ Paneth cells and UEA-1⁻ cells were gated as Fut2⁻ Paneth cells. SSC-H, side scatter height.



Fig. S2. Interleukin (IL) 22 induces upregulation of *Fut2* and *Lyz1* expression in organoids derived from duodenum of wild-type mice

Reverse-transcription polymerase chain reaction analysis of *Fut2* and *Lyz1* expression (relative to *Gapdh* expression) in organoids derived from duodenum of wild-type mice treated with the indicated concentrations of recombinant murine IL-22. Data are presented as mean \pm SD (triplicate). **P* < 0.05, ****P* < 0.001, Student's *t*-test. Data are representative of two independent experiments.



Fig. S3. Number of Paneth cells per crypt in ileum of wild-type (WT) and interleukin (IL) 22– deficient mice

- 230 Sections of ileum of WT and IL-22–deficient mice were stained with anti-lysozyme antibody (green)
- and DAPI (counterstain; blue) and the number of Paneth cells per crypt was counted. Left: White
- arrows indicate Paneth cells; white dotted lines delineate crypts. Bars: 20 μ m. Right: Ten to fifteen
- 233 crypts per mouse were examined. Five WT mice and six IL-22-deficient mice were analyzed.
- Horizontal lines indicate means. ***P < 0.001, Student's *t*-test.



Fig. S4. Interleukin (IL) 22–deficient mice and Fut2-deficient mice express α -defensin in their Paneth cells

- Sections of ileum from a) wild-type (WT) mice and IL-22–deficient mice and b) WT mice and Fut2-deficient mice were stained with anti- α -defensin (yellow) and DAPI (blue). White dotted lines delineate crypts. Bars: 20 μ m. Images are representative of three independent experiments.



Fig. S5. α-Defensin concentration in the feces of mice after receiving fecal microbiota transplantation (FMT)

Mice were orally administered ampicillin for 7 days. On day 9, the mice were orally administered feces from interleukin 22 (IL-22)–deficient mice or Fut2-deficient mice or their littermate wild-type mice (*IL-22+/+* or *Fut2+/+*). Feces were collected at week 1–5 after fecal transfer. α -Defensin concentration in the feces of FMT mice was measured by enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay. Circles, FMT mice that received with feces from WT mice. Squares, FMT mice that received feces from gene-deficient mice. Each group is *n* = 5. Error bars represent standard deviation of the mean. **P* < 0.05, n.s., not significant, Student's *t*-test.



255 Fig. S6. Size of Paneth cell granules in fecal microbiota transplantation (FMT) mice

Mice were orally administered ampicillin for 7 days. On day 9, mice were orally administered feces from wild-type (WT) or Fut2-deficient mice. On day 45, FMT mice were sacrificed and subjected to hematoxylin and eosin staining to detect Paneth cell granules. Left: Bars = $20 \mu m$. Right: Ten crypts per mouse were examined, and Paneth cell granule area was measured with the ImageJ software(6). Three mice per group were analyzed. Representative images are shown. Data are presented as mean \pm SD. n.s., not significant, Student's *t*-test.



Fig. S7. Number of Paneth cells per crypt in ileum of fecal microbiota transplantation (FMT) mice

266 Mice were orally administered ampicillin for 7 days. On day 9, mice were orally administered feces 267 from wild-type (WT) or IL-22-deficient mice. On day 45, FMT mice were sacrificed and subjected to immunohistological analysis to detect Paneth cells. Sections of ileum of FMT mice treated with feces 268 269 from WT or IL-22-deficient mice were stained with anti-lysozyme antibody (green) and DAPI (counterstain; blue) and the number of Paneth cells per crypt was counted. Left: White arrows indicate 270 Paneth cells; white dotted lines delineate crypts; bars = 20 µm. Right: Twenty crypts per mouse were 271 examined. Three mice per group were analyzed. Horizontal lines indicate means. n.s., not significant, 272 Student's *t*-test. 273



Fig. S8. Rag1-deficient mice possess Fut2⁺ Paneth cells and granules expressing α-defensin in their Paneth cells

- a) Sections of ileum from Fut1-deficient mice and Fut1/Rag1–double deficient mice were stained
 with *Ulex europaeus* agglutinin-1 (UEA-1; red), anti-lysozyme antibody (green), and DAPI
 (counterstain; blue). Red arrows, lysozyme⁺ UEA-1⁺ cells; white arrow, lysozyme⁺ UEA-1⁻ cell;
 white dotted lines delineate crypts. Bars: 20 µm. Data are representative of three independent
 experiments.
- b) Sections of ileum from wild-type (WT) (n = 3) and Rag1-deficient (n = 3) mice were subjected to hematoxylin and eosin staining to detect Paneth cell granules. Representative images are shown.
 Bars: 20 μm. Paneth cell granule area was measured in 10 crypts per mouse with the ImageJ software(6). Data are presented as mean ± SD. n.s., not significant, Student's *t*-test.
- 287 c) Sections of ileum from WT and Rag1-deficient mice were stained with anti-α-defensin (yellow)
 288 and DAPI (counterstain; blue). White dotted lines delineate crypts. Bars: 20 µm. Images are
 289 representative of three independent experiments.
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Fig. S9. Intracellular structure of crypt epithelial cells from wild-type (WT) and Rag1-deficient mice

294 Intracellular structure of crypt epithelial cells from WT and Rag1-deficient mice was analyzed by 295 transmission electron microscopy. Bars: upper row: low magnification, 10 µm; medium magnification 296 (yellow box), 2.5 µm; high magnification (red box), 1.3 µm; lower row: 10 µm, 2.9 µm, and 667 nm, 297 respectively. Three to nine crypts from each type of mouse were observed per experiment. Images 298 are representative of three independent experiments. Numbers of normal and abnormal Paneth cells 299 per crypt were counted in 12 ileal crypts pooled from 3 WT mice, and 21 ileal crypts pooled from 3 Rag1-deficeint mice. Data are presented as mean \pm SD. ** P < 0.01, Student's *t*-test. n.s., not 300 301 significant.



Fig. S10. Expression of Rab-family genes in ileal crypts of wild-type (WT) and Rag1-deficient mice

Reverse-transcription polymerase chain reaction analysis of *Rab1b*, *Rab8a*, *Rab37*, *Rab3d*, *Rab26*, and *Rab27a* expression (relative to *Gapdh* expression) in ileal crypts isolated from WT and Rag1deficient mice. Data are presented as mean \pm SD (WT mice, n = 5; Rag1-deficient mice, n = 5). ***P*

309 < 0.01 and ***P < 0.001, n.s., not significant, Student's *t*-test.



312 Fig. S11. Interferon gamma (IFNy) triggers degranulation of Paneth cells

313 Organoids derived from duodenum of wild-type mice were treated with 5 ng/mL recombinant murine 314 IFNy. Samples were stained with Ulex europaeus agglutinin-1 (UEA-1; red), anti-lysozyme antibody 315 (green), and DAPI (counterstain; blue). In a report by another group(14) UEA-1 was used to stain Paneth cell granules. Red arrows indicate lysozyme⁺ UEA-1⁺ cells that possess granules; white 316 arrows indicate granule release into the crypt lumen. Bars: 50 µm. Data are representative of three 317 independent experiments. α-Defensin concentration in the intestinal organoid culture medium was 318 319 measured by enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay. Intestinal organoids derived from WT mice were 320 treated with 5 ng/mL recombinant IFNy for 2 days. Four samples per group were analyzed. Data are presented as mean \pm SD; ****P* < 0.001, Student's *t*-test. 321

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325 Fig. S12. Expression of *IL-17a* in duodenal and ileal lamina propria (LP) cells

Reverse-transcription polymerase chain reaction analysis of *IL-17a* expression (relative to *Gapdh* expression) in duodenal and ileal LP cells isolated from wild-type mice. Samples were obtained in triplicate per group. Data are presented as mean \pm SD; ***P* < 0.01, Student's *t*-test. Data are representative of three independent experiments.

331 Supplementary Table. Differentially Expressed Gene Analysis of Fut2⁺ Paneth Cells and 332 Fut2⁻ Paneth Cells

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Gene_ID	Transcript_ID	Gene_Symbol	Description	Fut2 ⁺ /Fut2 ⁻ Fold change
226413	NM_001081078	Lct	lactase	3.783418
216019	NM_145419	Hkdc1	hexokinase domain containing 1	2.063588
232714	NM_001171003	Mgam	maltase-glucoamylase	3.260019
69983	NM_001081137	Sis	sucrase isomaltase (alpha-glucosidase)	4.666254
209558	NM_134005	Enpp3	ectonucleotide pyrophosphatase/phosphodiesterase 3	3.601038
229927	NM_139148	Clca3b	chloride channel accessory 3B	2.115127
23844	NM_017474	Clca1	chloride channel accessory 1	3.965978
99709	NM_001033199	Clca4b	chloride channel accessory 4B	3.125216
16440	NM_080553	ltpr3	inositol 1,4,5-triphosphate receptor 3	2.231498
18797	NM_001290349,NM_008874	Plcb3	phospholipase C, beta 3	2.119382
11421	NM_001281819,NM_009598,NM_207624	Ace	angiotensin I converting enzyme (peptidyl-dipeptidase A) 1	2.065865
16535	NM_008434	Kcnq1	potassium voltage-gated channel, subfamily Q, member 1	2.085866
99663	NM_207208	Clca4a	chloride channel accessory 4A	2.721231
12638	NM_021050	Cftr	cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator	2.230965
13487	NM_021353	Slc26a3	solute carrier family 26, member 3	2.244970
27409	NM_031884	Abcg5	ATP-binding cassette, sub-family G (WHITE), member 5	2.043424
76408	NM_029600	Abcc3	ATP-binding cassette, sub-family C (CFTR/MRP), member 3	2.111202
20537	NM_019810	Slc5a1	solute carrier family 5 (sodium/glucose cotransporter), member 1	2.430809
105243	NM_001081060	SIc9a3	solute carrier family 9 (sodium/hydrogen exchanger), member 3	2.030977
18703	NM_011082	Pigr	polymeric immunoglobulin receptor	2.675044

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Supplemental Video 1: Paneth cell granule secretion in untreated or Interleukin (IL) 22 treated organoids

Time-lapse images of Paneth cells in untreated or IL-22 treated organoids were taken by confocal
 microscopy after adding 0.1 µM carbamylcholine to the culture medium. Bars: 10 µm. Real acquisition
 time are represented by h:mm:ss (hour:minute:second).

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Supplemental Video 2: Paneth cell granule secretion in organoids derived from wild-type (WT) and Fut2–deficient mice

- 345 Time-lapse images of Paneth cells in organoids derived from WT and Fut2–deficient mice were taken
- by confocal microscopy after adding 0.1 µM carbamylcholine to the culture medium. Bars: 10 µm.
 Real acquisition time are represented by h:mm:ss (hour:minute:second).

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