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Software and code

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Data collection Novaseq 6000 (Illumina) and Cell Ranger pipeline 3.1.0 (10x Genomics) were used for single-cell sequencing data collection. Hiseq 2500 (Illumina) was used for ChIP-seq and RNA-seq data collection. Axio Lab A1 microscope, Canon EOS 1000D camera with AxioVision software (Carl Zeiss), ECLIPSE E800 epifluorescence microscope (Nikon), and QImaging RETGA EXi camera with QCapture software (QImaging) were used for image. Included in methods section.

Data analysis The bioinformatics analyses were conducted using open-source software, including Seurat version 3.2.1, R version 3.6.3, Novoalign version 3.02.07, MACS version 2.0, IGV version 6.3, cutadapt version 1.9.1, HISAT2 version 2.1.0, HTSeq version 0.6.1, edgeR version 2.26.7, GSEA version 4.1.0, and IPA version 01-20-04. R scripts used to process sequencing data are available upon request.

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Raw data of RNA-seq, single cell RNA-seq, ChIP-seq have been deposited in Gene Expression Omnibus database under accession number GSE164971.

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Life sciences study design

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Sample size	Sample size estimated in this study was based on number of available, statistical methods, and previous reported data with related mouse models.
Data exclusions	None of the were data excluded. All of generated male mice were included in the study due to the nature of the prostate cancer models.
Replication	All experiments were performed at least three independent times and/or with sufficient samples per group for statistical significance. All replication attempts were successful.
Randomization	All of experimental mice with different genotypes were included in this study. For in vivo kidney capsule implantation, approximately 1×10^5 prostate adenocarcinoma cells were transplanted under the renal capsule of 6 to 8-week-old male NOD/SCID mice. 4 weeks after implantation, mice were randomized into vehicle control and treatment groups and were administered with vehicle (10% DMSO in corn oil) or iCRT3 (HY-103705, MedChemExpress) at 30 mg/kg body weight.
Blinding	Blinding methods were used for assessing the pathological/immunohistological changes in prostate tumor developments for each genotype/mouse model used in this study.

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Materials & experimental systems

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Methods

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Antibodies

Antibodies used

Included in Supplementary Table 9 and referred in methods section. All antibodies for immunohistochemistry, immunofluorescence, and immunoprecipitation used were from commercial sources: GFP, Cell Signaling #2956, rabbit IgG, 1:200; GFP, Cell Signaling #2955, mouse IgG, 1:200; GFP, Abcam #ab13970, chicken IgG, 1:2000; OSR1, Biorbyt #orb162212, rabbit IgG, 1:300; AR, ThermoFisher #PA1-9005, goat IgG, 1:500; CK8, Convince #MMS-162P, mouse IgG, 1:2000; CK8, Abcam #ab59400, rabbit IgG, 1:1000; CK5, Convince #PRB-160P, rabbit IgG, 1:2400; P63, Biolegend #687202, mouse IgG, 1:500; Vimentin, BioLegend #919101, chicken IgG, 1:2000; SMA, Sigma Aldrich # A5228, mouse IgG, 1:2000; hAR, Santa Cruz #sc-7305, mouse IgG, 1:100; CK14, Abcam #ab7800, mouse IgG, 1:200; IGF1R, Cell Signaling #9750, rabbit IgG, 1:750; pIGF1R, Bioss Antibodies #bs-5447R, rabbit IgG, 1:350; β -catenin, BD Transduction Laboratories #610154, mouse IgG, 1:200; β -catenin, Santa Cruz #sc-7199, rabbit IgG, 1:500; MYC, Abcam #ab168727, rabbit IgG, 1:1000; TCF4, NovusBio #NBP2-67618, rabbit IgG, 1:250; Cyclin D1, Abcam #ab16663, rabbit IgG, 1:200; AXIN2, Abcam #ab32197, rabbit IgG, 1:2000; LGR5, Abcam #ab219107, rabbit IgG, 1:500; pAKT, Cell Signaling #9271, rabbit IgG, 1:500; pGSK3, Cell Signaling #9331, rabbit IgG, 1:200; p-ERK1/2, Cell Signaling #4370, rabbit IgG, 1:100; hAR for ChIP-seq, Santa Cruz #sc-7305X, mouse IgG, 1:100; Biotinylated anti-mouse, Vector Laboratories #BA-9200, goat IgG, 1:750; Biotinylated anti-rabbit, ector Laboratories #BA-1000, goat IgG, 1:750; Biotinylated anti-goat, Vector Laboratories #BA-5000, rabbit IgG, 1:750; Biotinylated anti-rat, Vector Laboratories #BA-9400, goat IgG, 1:750; Goat anti-rabbit 488, Invitrogen #A11034, goat IgG, 1:500; Goat anti-mouse 488, Invitrogen #A11001, goat IgG, 1:500; Goat anti-rabbit 594, Invitrogen #A11012, goat IgG, 1:500; Goat anti-mouse 594, Invitrogen #A11005, goat IgG, 1:500; Goat anti-chicken 647, Invitrogen #A31571, goat IgG, 1:500; Donkey anti-rabbit 488, Invitrogen #A21206, donkey IgG, 1:500; Donkey anti-mouse 488, Invitrogen #A21202, donkey IgG, 1:500; Donkey anti-rabbit 594, Invitrogen #A21207, donkey IgG, 1:500; Donkey anti-mouse 594, Invitrogen #A21203, donkey IgG, 1:500; Donkey anti-goat 647, Invitrogen #A21447, donkey IgG, 1:500.

Validation

All antibodies used were from commercial sources and vendor confirmed species reactivity and references listed on vendor website: <https://www.cellsignal.com/products/primary-antibodies/gfp-d5-1-rabbit-mab/2956>; <https://www.cellsignal.com/products/primary-antibodies/gfp-4b10-mouse-mab/2955>; <https://www.abcam.com/gfp-antibody-ab13970.html>; <https://www.scbt.com/p/osr1-antibody-c-8>; <https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/Androgen-Receptor-Antibody-Polyclonal/PA1-9005>; <https://www.biolegend.com/fr-lu/products/cytokeratin-8-monoclonal-antibody-purified-10929>; <https://www.abcam.com/cytokeratin-8-antibody-ab59400.html>; <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/keratin-5-polyclonal-antibody-purified-10956?GroupID=GROUP26>; <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/purified-anti-tp63-antibody-13251>; <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/purified-anti-vimentin-antibody-11598>; https://www.sigmaaldrich.com/US/en/product/sigma/a5228?gclid=CjwKCAjw7rWKBhAtEiwAJ3CWLIHTsM2Q2VT0LIXP1LlOQB6tvfkiWbDlymh8U_4q7uGkqggJ7FChoCvTcQAvD_BwE; https://www.scbt.com/p/ar-antibody-441?gclid=CjwKCAjw7rWKBhAtEiwAJ3CWLdlmAz09ZPvIEYmELHyMGp9-k_HPMCfVddk5hkACMXLreWsCzK-whoCLSMQAvD_BwE; <https://www.abcam.com/cytokeratin-14-antibody-ll002-ab7800.html>; <https://www.cellsignal.com/products/primary-antibodies/igf-i-receptor-b-d23h3-xp-rabbit-mab/9750?site-search-type=Products&N=4294956287&Ntt=igf1r&fromPage=plp>; <https://www.biossusa.com/products/bs-5447>; <https://www.bdbiosciences.com/en-us/products/reagents/microscopy-imaging-reagents/immunofluorescence-reagents/purified-mouse-anti-catenin.610153>; https://www.scbt.com/p/beta-catenin-antibody-e-5?gclid=CjwKCAjw7rWKBhAtEiwAJ3CWLPpOPZWTyHajWjrleCchfwnw3hVStjPoWQsBkhV_OAoSxZMfxMK8BoCeNIQAvD_BwE; <https://www.abcam.com/c-myc-antibody-y69-bsa-and-azide-free-ab168727.html>; https://www.novusbio.com/products/tcf7l2-antibody-sc06-90_nbp2-67618; <https://www.abcam.com/cyclin-d1-antibody-sp4-ab16663.html>; <https://www.abcam.com/axin-2-antibody-ab32197.html>; <https://www.abcam.com/lgr5-antibody-ab219107.html>; <https://www.cellsignal.com/products/primary-antibodies/phospho-akt-ser473-antibody/9271>; <https://www.cellsignal.com/products/primary-antibodies/phospho-gsk-3a-b-ser21-9-antibody/9331>; <https://www.cellsignal.com/products/primary-antibodies/phospho-p44-42-mapk-erk1-2-thr202-tyr204-d13-14-4e-xp-rabbit-mab/4370>; <https://www.scbt.com/p/ar-antibody-441>; <https://vectorlabs.com/biotinylated-goat-anti-mouse-igg-antibody.html>; <https://vectorlabs.com/biotinylated-goat-anti-rabbit-igg-antibody.html>; <https://vectorlabs.com/biotinylated-rabbit-anti-goat-igg-antibody.html>; <https://vectorlabs.com/biotinylated-goat-anti-rat-igg-antibody.html>; <https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/Goat-anti-Rabbit-IgG-H-L-Highly-Cross-Adsorbed-Secondary-Antibody-Polyclonal/A-11034>; <https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/Goat-anti-Mouse-IgG-H-L-Cross-Adsorbed-Secondary-Antibody-Polyclonal/A-11001>; <https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/Goat-anti-Rabbit-IgG-H-L-Cross-Adsorbed-Secondary-Antibody-Polyclonal/A-11012>; <https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/Goat-anti-Mouse-IgG-H-L-Cross-Adsorbed-Secondary-Antibody-Polyclonal/A-11005>; <https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/Donkey-anti-Mouse-IgG-H-L-Highly-Cross-Adsorbed-Secondary-Antibody-Polyclonal/A-31571>; <https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/Donkey-anti-Rabbit-IgG-H-L-Highly-Cross-Adsorbed-Secondary-Antibody-Polyclonal/A-21206>; <https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/Donkey-anti-Mouse-IgG-H-L-Highly-Cross-Adsorbed-Secondary-Antibody-Polyclonal/A-21202>; <https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/Donkey-anti-Rabbit-IgG-H-L-Highly-Cross-Adsorbed-Secondary-Antibody-Polyclonal/A-21207>; <https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/Donkey-anti-Mouse-IgG-H-L-Highly-Cross-Adsorbed-Secondary-Antibody-Polyclonal/A-21203>; <https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/Donkey-anti-Goat-IgG-H-L-Cross-Adsorbed-Secondary-Antibody-Polyclonal/A-21447>. All antibodies were further validated by IHC, IF, and ChIP prior to experiments.

Animals and other organisms

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Laboratory animals

All information for laboratory animals used are included in the methods section. Rosa26mTmG/+ (R26mTmG/+) reporter, Osr1-Cre, and Rosa26hARLoxP/wt, also named R26hAR/+ mice were obtained and used in this study, respectively. The PBCre/+ mice were obtained from the NCI mouse repository (strain #: 01XF5). R26mTmG/hAR, R26mTmG/+;Osr1Cre/+, or R26mTmG/+;PbCre/+ mice were first produced and then used to generate R26mTmG/+;Osr1Cre/+ and R26mTmG/hAR;Osr1Cre/+ mice. Experimental mice generated in this study were mixed from C57BL/6 and 129S1/SvImJ backgrounds. 8-week-old male NOD.CB17-Prkdc(SCID)/_(Jax_001303) mice were used for kidney capsule grafting experiments.

Wild animals

This study did not involve wild animals.

Field-collected samples

This study did not involve samples collected from the field.

Ethics oversight

All experimental procedures and care of animals in this study were carried out according to the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) at Beckman Research Institute at City of Hope, and approved by the IACUC. Euthanasia was performed by CO₂ inhalation followed by cervical dislocation.

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ChIP-seq

Data deposition

- Confirm that both raw and final processed data have been deposited in a public database such as [GEO](#).
- Confirm that you have deposited or provided access to graph files (e.g. BED files) for the called peaks.

Data access links

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Files in database submission

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Raw files
 37299_Input_S7_L999_R1_001.fastq

37301_ARQ9-hAR_S9_L999_R1_001.fastq

Processed files
 GSM5023996: 37299_Input.bedGraph.gz
 GSM5023997: 37301_ARQ9-hAR.bedGraph.gz

Supplementary Fig. S5: Genomic location and enrichment profiles of hAR ChIP-seq
 Supplementary Table S3: Differential binding regions from ChIP-seq data

Genome browser session
 (e.g. [UCSC](#))

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Methodology

Replicates	All data are collected from two biological replicates for each sample.
Sequencing depth	A total of >45 mio high quality paired-end reads of 41bp per sample was subjected to quality check using FastQC v0.11.4. After quality check, high quality reads (>99%) were aligned using Novoalign v3.02.07, yielding >56% of uniquely aligned reads in both ChIP and Input samples.
Antibodies	Antibodies against hAR (Santa Cruz #sc-7305X, mouse IgG) and IgG (Santa Cruz #sc-2025, normal mouse IgG) were used in this study.
Peak calling parameters	MACS v2.0 47 was used to call Peaks using the corresponding negative control from R26mTmG/+;Osr1Cre/+ and to generate bed graph files for visualization of peaks.
Data quality	Total number of peak called for each dataset with $p < 0.001$ and at least 2 fold enrichment.
Software	he ChIPseq data collection and analyses were conducted using open-source software, including FastQC v0.11.4, Novoalign version 3.02.07, MACS version 2.0 and IGV version 6.3.