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Ceramide Synthase 5 Deficiency Aggravates Dextran Sodium Sulfate-Induced Colitis and Colon Carcinogenesis and Impairs T-Cell Activation

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Supplementary

#32 CerS5 WT AOM/DSS





#38 CerS5 KO AOM/DSS



Figure S1. IHC of colon roles. Exemplary pictures of whole colons from CerS5-wt and CerS5-ko mice and immunohistological pictures of colon roles (10 μ m tissue sections stained with eosin and hematoxylin) with tumor regions (red boxes). Images were taken with the Keyence BZ-9000 microscope with 10-fold magnification and recomposed by the software.



Figure S2. Downregulation of CerS5 in Colon cancer cell lines. Downregulation of CerS5 expression by lentiviral transduction of Caco-2 and HCT-15 cells with CerS5-targeting shRNA. In both human colon cancer cell lines, CerS5 mRNA expression could be downregulated, whereas the expression levels of other CerS were not affected. Downregulation of CerS5 was accompanied by significant decreases in the long-chain ceramides C14:0-Cer and C16:0-Cer in Caco-2 cells. Data are mean +/- SEM of two (HCT-15) or three (Caco-2) independent experiments.



Figure S3. (**A**) PCR experiments testing for detection of exon 4 specific for *CerS5* in colon and liver of control and CerS5fl/fl VilCre mice. CerS5-floxed-bands appear at 328 bp and CerS5△ (deletion)-bands at 567 bp and CerS5wt at 162 bp. Mouse no.24 and 27 Lass5wt/Vil Cre negative; 25 and 28 Lass5wt/Vil Cre positive. (**B**) Immunohohistochemical staining of Cre in CerS5fl/fl Vil Cre positive and negative mice. Cre is localized in the nucleus of colon epithelial cells.



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Figure S4. The whole western blot images.