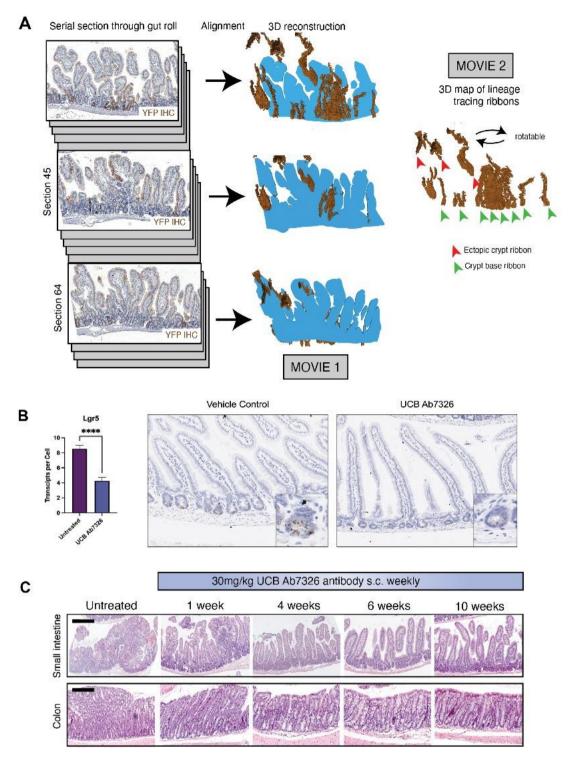
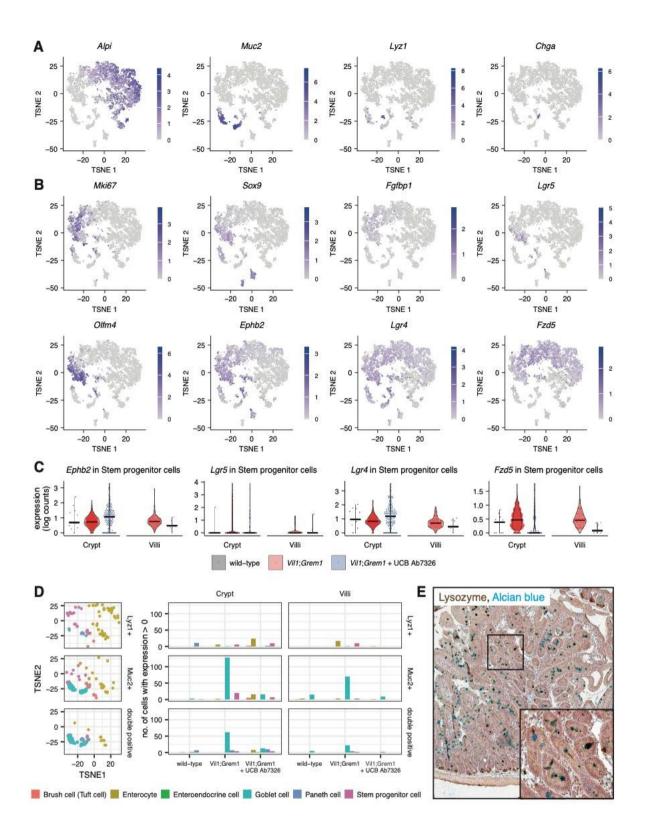


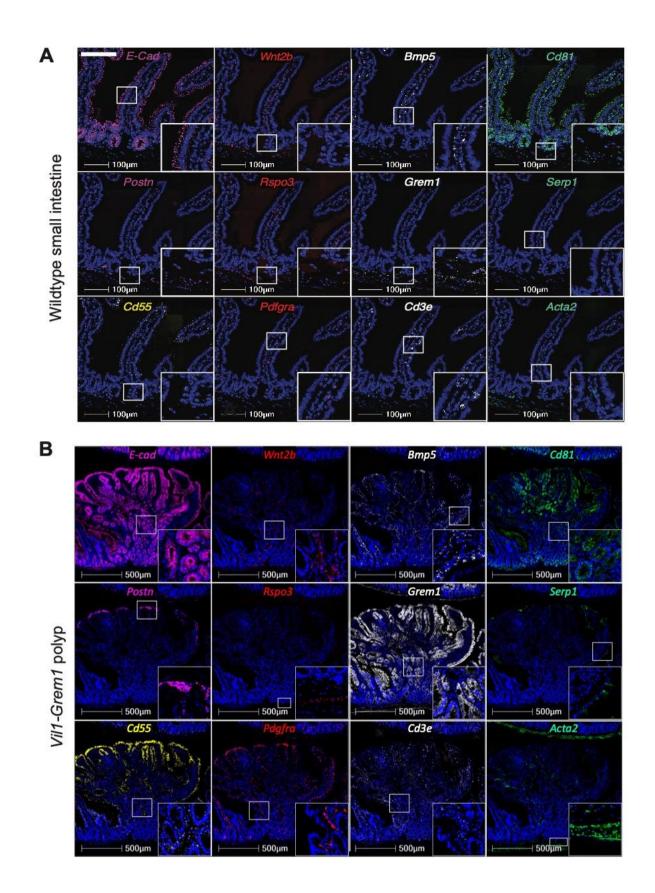
Supplementary Figure 1. A. Embryonic and postnatal expression of *Grem1* in wildtype and Vil-Grem1 animals. H&E, *Grem1* ISH and Sox9 IHC in varying embryonic and postnatal timepoints in wildtype and *Vil1-Grem1* animals (n ≥ 2). **B.** Crypt-villus unit cell number showing rapid expansion in *Vil1-Grem1* epithelial cell number from postnatal day 10 into adult mice (n=3 mice per group, ANOVA, p value<0.001). Data were ± s.e.m. **C.** CK20 staining of different morphological stages of lesion development in *Vil1-Grem1* mice shows reduced differentiation marker staining in ectopic crypts into established polyps (n=3 mice). **D.** Quantification of CK20 staining in different morphological stages of *Vil1-Grem1* mice polyp development (n=3 mice per group, ≥10 villi or polyps total, one way ANOVA with Dunnett post-hoc corrections, p values as stated). Data were ± s.e.m. **E.** Fluorescent co-ISH staining of *Sox9* and *Fgfbp1* in wildtype animals showing co-localisation in crypt base progenitor cell populations (n=5 mice). Scale bars 200µm. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



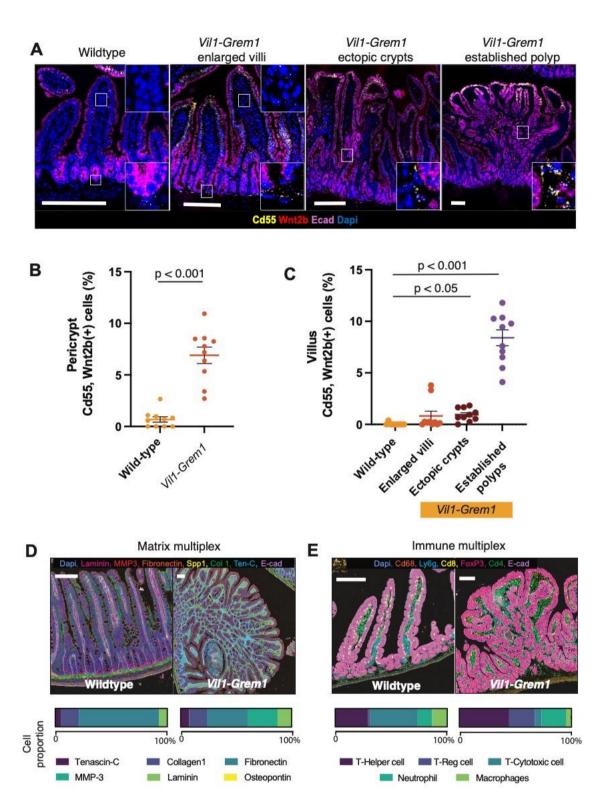
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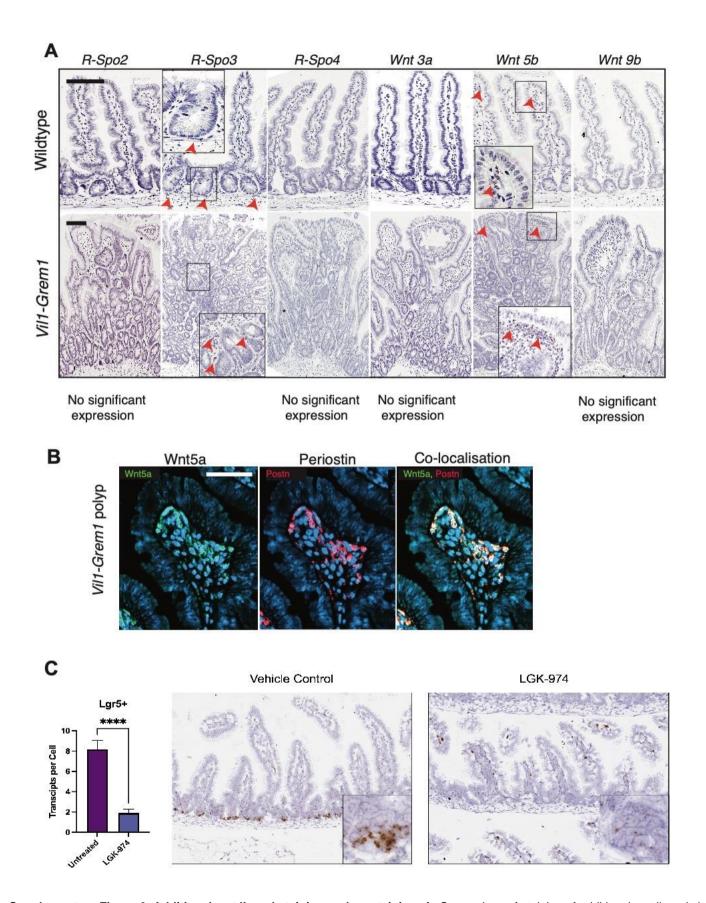
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Supplementary Figure 4. Multiplex ISH imaging of *Vil1-Grem1* **mouse phenotype. A.** Intestinal fibroblast custom Hiplex panel - individual ISH stain of panel constituents in wild-type mice. **B.** Custom Hiplex staining of *Vil1-Grem1* polyps. Individual ISH probes as listed in colour legend (n=5 mice per geneotype).

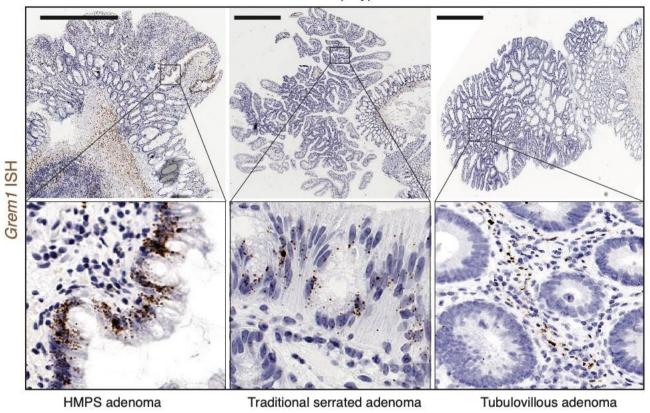


Supplementary Figure 5. A. Hiplex ISH staining of different morphological stages of lesion progression, showing expansion of the restricted pericrypt population of Cd55(+) Wnt2b(+) expressing fibroblasts up into the villi to surround ectopic crypts (n=5 mice). B. Quantification of Cd55(+) Wnt2b(+) fibroblasts in pericryptal regions of wild-type and *Vil1-Grem1* mice (n=5 mice per group, ≥10 crypts total, two-tailed t test, p values as stated) and C. in the villi of different morphological stage lesions in wild-type and *Vil1-Grem1* mice (n=5 mice per group, ≥10 villi or polyps total, one way ANOVA with Dunnett post-hoc corrections, p values as stated). Data were ± s.e.m. D. Representative images of multiplex IHC staining of matrix proteins in wildtype and *Vil1-Grem1* mice, with quantification of changes in protein proportion between genotypes (n=3) E. Representative images of multiplex IHC staining of immune cells in wildtype and *Vil1-Grem1* mice, with quantification of changes in cell proportion between genotypes (n=3). Scale bars 200μm. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplementary Figure 6. Additional wnt ligand staining and co-staining. A. Comparison of staining of additional wnt ligands in wildtype and Vil1-Grem1 mice ($n \ge 5$ mice, scale bars 200 μ m.). B. Co-fluorescent ISH of Wnt5a and periostin at the periphery of Vil1-Grem1 polyps (n=3 mice, scale bars 200 μ m). C. Reduction of expression of crypt basal stem cell markers in wildtype animals following LGK-974 treatment. Representative Lgr5 ISH images and quantification of Lgr5 transcripts per cell (n=5 mice per group, two-tailed t test, p values****<0.001). Source data are provided as a Source Data file.

Human polyps



Supplementary Figure 7. *GREM1* expression in HMPS and sporadic human polyps. *GREM1* ISH (brown stain) in human polyps shows only stromal expression in sporadic tubulovillous adenomas (TVA) but marked epithelial expression in polyps from Hereditary Mixed Polyposis Syndrome (HMPS) and sporadic traditional serrated adenomas (TSA) (n ≥ 5 lesions per group). Scale bars 500µm.