Supplementary figures



Figure S1. Dot-blot analysis of AFB1-induced adducts

South-western dot-blot analysis was performed using 4 μ g genomic DNA (gDNA) from livers of the control or AFB₁-injected (samples) mice (@D7) and the anti-AFB₁-adduct antibody. Loading for DNA was visualized by ethidium bromide (EtBr) staining. -ve represents without the anti-AFB₁ antibody. gDNA samples 1-6 are from six individual mice, harvested 2 h post AFB₁-injection.



Number of Nodules (≥0.5cm) per Mouse

Figure S2. Characterization of liver nodules

Liver samples were scored and plotted as described in the main legends (Figure 2). Direct comparison of HBsAg mice that were AFB₁-injected at D7, 6M or 12M are shown, together with D7 oil controls.



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Figure S3. Divergent pathways are deregulated by HBsAg and AFB1

Genes obtained from HBsAg_AFB_T vs WT_Oil_N, HBsAg_Oil_T vs WT_Oil_N, and WT_AFB_T vs WT_Oil_N (*n*=66, Bonferroni corrected) showed a stepwise model based on genotype and treatment. Note: 8 of the 9 HCC genes are in the list (underlined).



Figure S4. HCC-specific gene signature

(A,B) Differential clustering between tumor and normal HCCs was observed when segregated by the HCC gene signature pattern, similar to the mouse HCC model (A). However, the HCC gene signature was able to distinguish between primary (HepaRG or embryonic stem cell [hES]-derived) and transformed (HepG2) hepatocytes (B). 'Treated' refers to AFB₁ treatment.



Figure S5. Molecular characterization of liver nodules from mouse models

Top canonical pathways of upstream regulators in the tumors from the various categories are indicated.



Figure S6. Molecular characterization of liver nodules from mouse models and human HCC

Direct comparison of canonical pathways affected in the human HCCs and tumors from the various mice categories are listed.





Molecular Functions

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 Enrichment score

binding (5.9)

electron carrier activity (13)

catalytic activity (19)



Cellular Components

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Figure S7. Gene Ontology analysis of molecular and cellular functions affected in liver tumors

Top biological process, molecular functions and cellular components identified through geneontology analysis, are shown. The major perturbations are highly similar between human HCCs and the liver nodules from the three categories of mice.

Α	Treatment		Genotype			Collection (months)								
					3		6		9		12		15	
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	Corn Oil		WT		7	11	11	9	9	10	8	6	9	11
10	11			HE	BsAg T	g	10	8	7	13	8	12	11	10
8	12	AF	B ₁ at day 7	W	т		9	8	9	9	8	10	8	9
13	15		HE		BsAg T	g	8	7	15	10	11	15	13	14
	В		Treatment		Genoty	pe				Co	llection	(month	s)	
1	5						9		12		15			
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16	19	AF 6 n	B ₁ at 1ths	W	т		11	15	14	20	14	15	AFB ₁ 12 m	at ths
19	26			HE	BsAg T	g	18	24	24	31	30	29		
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Table 1: Details of numbers of mice used in the study

18

0

18

HbsAg Ctrl WT AFB1

17

2

19

Data analyzed

without nodules

with nodules

Total

Table Analyzed	WT ctrl	vs HbsAg o	WT c	trl vs wt AF	B ₁	WT ctr	WT ctrl vs HbsAg AFB ₁				
P value		1		1			0.0027				
P value summary		ns		ns			**				
One- or two-sided Two-sided				-	Two-sided			Two-sided			
Statistically significant? (alpha<0.05)	No				No			Yes			
Data analyzed	WT Ctrl	HbsAg Ctrl	Total	WT Ctrl	WT AFB ₁	Total	WT Ctrl	HbsAg AFB₁	Total		
without nodules	18	17	35	18	18	36	18	14	32		
with nodules	1	2	3	1	0	1	1	13	14		
Total	19 19 38		19	18	37	19	27	46			
Table Analyzed	HbsAg	Ctrl vs WT	FAFB₁	HbsA	g Ctrl vs Hl	bsAg AF	B ₁ WTA	WTAFB ₁ vs HbsAg AFB ₁			
P value 0.4865 P value summary ns					0.0104 *			0.0004			
One- or two-sided		Two-sided			Two-side	ed		Two-sided			
Statistically significant? (alpha<0.05)		No			Yes			Yes			

D7 injection and collection at 9 months

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HbsAg

Ctrl

17

2

19

HbsAg

AFB₁

14

13

27

HbsAg

AFB₁

14

13

27

Total

32

13

45

WT AFB

18

0

18

Total

31

15

46

D7 injection and collection at 15 months

Total

35

2 37

Table Analyzed	WT ctrl vs HBsAg ctrl			WT c	trl vs wt AF	B₁	WTt ctrl vs HBsAg AFB ₁			
P value	< 0.0001			0.0480			< 0.0001			
P value summary	***			*			***			
One- or two-sided		Two-sided		Two-sided			Two-sided			
Statistically significant? (alpha<0.05)		Yes	Yes			Yes				
Data analyzed	WT Ctrl	HBsAg Ctrl	Total	WT Ctrl	WT AFB ₁	Total	WT Ctrl	HBsAg AFB	Total	
without nodules	18 4 22		18	15	33	18	5	23		
with nodules	0 17 17			0	5	5	0	23	23	
Total	18 21 39			18	20	38	18	28	46	

Table Analyzed	HBsAg C	Ctrl vs WT A	AFB₁	HBsAg (Ctrl vs Hbs.	Ag AFB₁	WT AFB vs HBsAg AFB ₁			
P value		0.0005		1		0.0001				
P value summary		***		ns		***				
One- or two-sided	T	wo-sided		Two-sided		Two-sided				
Statistically significant? (alpha<0.05)	Yes				Νο		Yes			
Data analyzed	HBsAg Ctrl	WT AFB ₁	Total	HBsAg Ctrl	HBsAg AFB₁	Total	WT AFB ₁	HBsAg AFB₁	Total	
without nodules	4	15	19	4	5	9	15	5	20	
with nodules	17	5	22	17	23	40	5	23	28	
Total	21	20	41	21	28	49	20	28	48	

Table S2B - Teoh et al.