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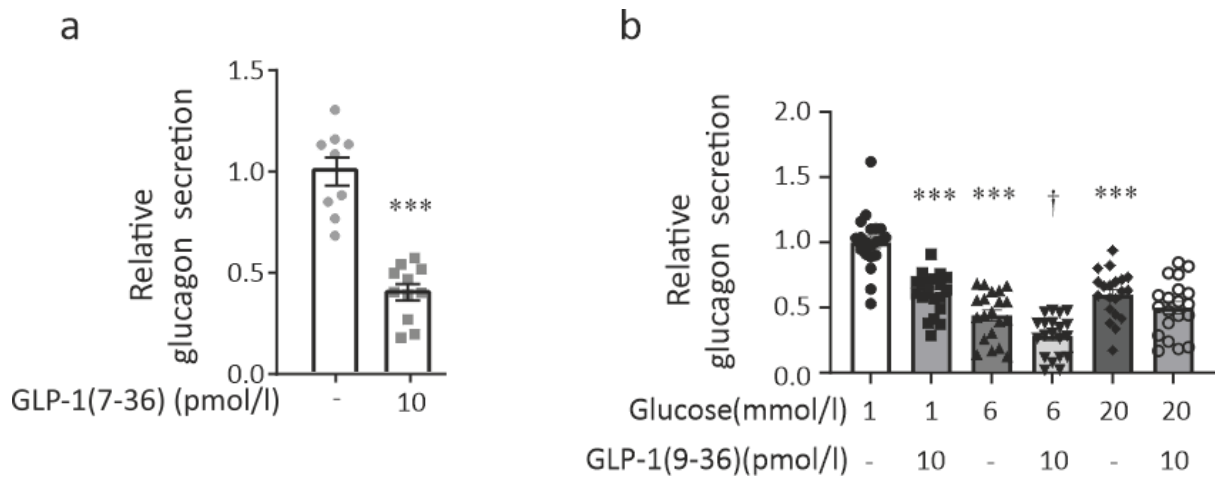
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3 **GLP-1 metabolite GLP-1(9-36) is a systemic inhibitor of**
4 **mouse and human pancreatic islet glucagon secretion**

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6 **Legends to ESM Figures**

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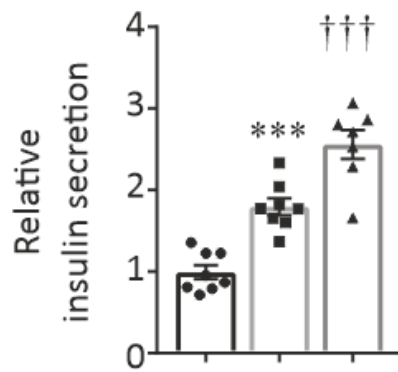


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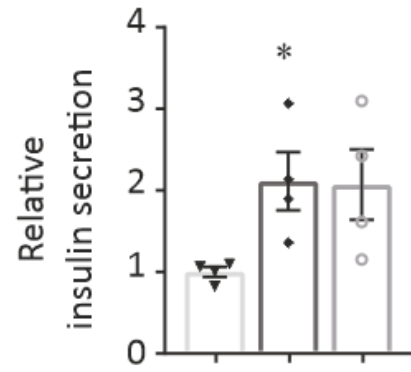
10 **ESM Fig. 1** Regulation of glucagon secretion by GLP-1(7-36) and (9-36) in human islets. **(a)**
11 Effects of 10 pmol/l GLP-1(7-36) on glucagon secretion in human islets. Each data point
12 represents a unique group of 12 islets isolated from 4 donors. Glucagon secretion has been
13 normalised to that at 1 mmol/l glucose ($1 = 2.2 \pm 0.4$ pg islet⁻¹h⁻¹). *** $p < 0.001$ vs 1 mmol/l
14 glucose; 1-way ANOVA with Dunnett's post-hoc test). **(b)** As in **(a)** but testing the effects of
15 GLP-1(9-36) at 1, 6 and 20 mmol/l glucose. Each data point represents a unique group of 12
16 islets isolated from 4 donors. Glucagon secretion has been normalised to that at 1 mmol/l
17 glucose ($1 = 9.2 \pm 1$ pg islet⁻¹ h⁻¹). *** $p < 0.001$ vs 1 mmol/l glucose. † $p < 0.05$ vs 6 mmol/l glucose
18 alone (RM one-way ANOVA with the Geisser-Greenhouse correction of the mean values for
19 each group of the individual experiments).

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Glucose (mmol/l)	1	6	6
GLP-1(7-36) (pmol/l)	-	-	10

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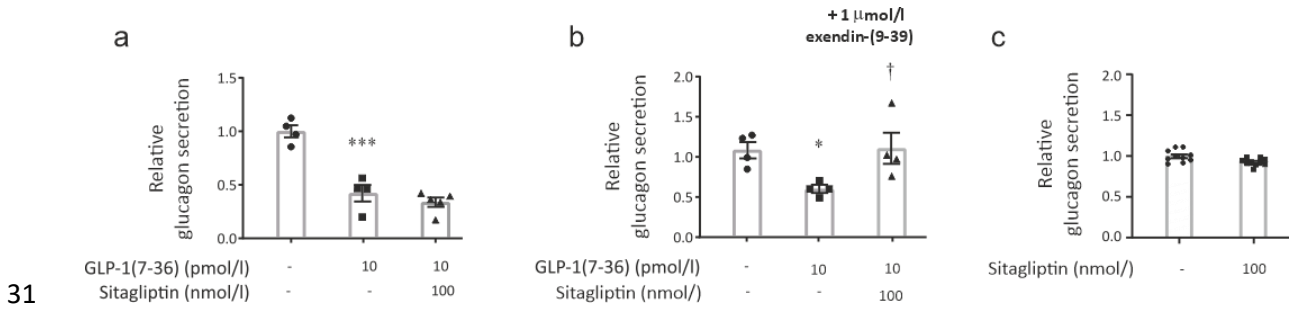


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GLP-1(7-36) (pmol/l)	-	-	10

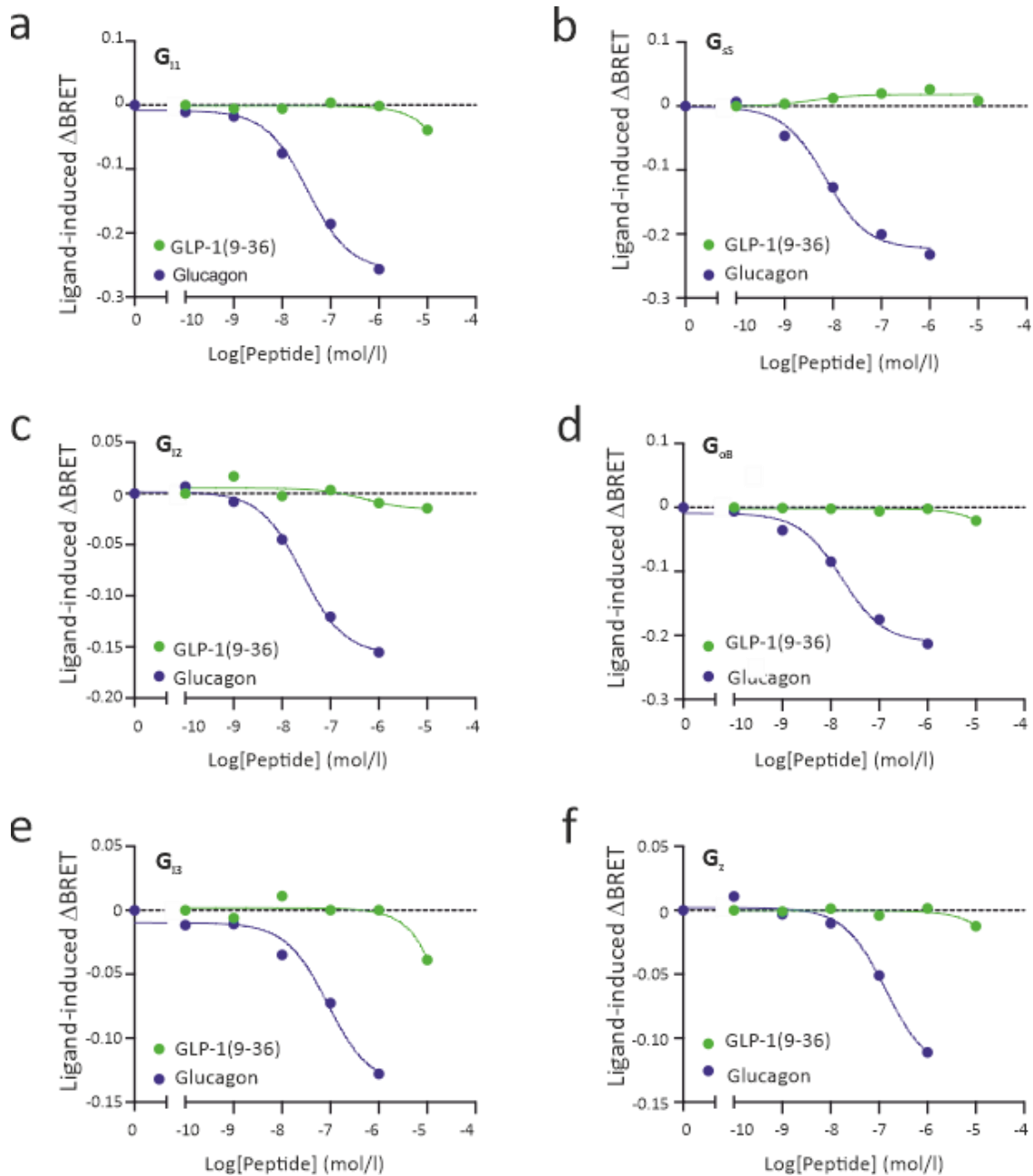
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22 **ESM Fig. 2** GLP-1's insulinotropic effect requires GLP1-R. **(a-b)** Effects of 10 pmol/l GLP-
 23 1(7-36) on insulin secretion. Glucose was included in the medium at 1 or 6 mmol/l as indicated.
 24 Islets isolated from wild-type **(a)** and *Gpl1r*^{-/-} mice **(b)**. Each data point represents a unique
 25 group of 12 islets isolated from 4 mice of each genotype. Insulin secretion normalised to that
 26 at 1 mmol/l glucose. **p*<0.05, ****p*<0.001 vs 1 mmol/l glucose for each genotype; †††*p*<0.001
 27 vs 6 mmol/l glucose in wild-type islets (1-way ANOVA with Dunnett's post-hoc test).

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ESM Fig. 3 GLP-1(7-36)'s GLP-1R-independent effect requires degradation. **(a-b)** Effects of 10 pmol/l GLP-1(7-36) on glucagon secretion in the presence of sitagliptin (100 nmol/l) in the absence (a) or presence (b) of exendin-(9-39). Each data point represents a unique group of 12 islets isolated from 4 mice. Glucagon secretion has been normalised to that at 1 mmol/l glucose (1 = 4.1 ± 0.2 pg islet⁻¹ h⁻¹ (a) and 2.3 ± 0.26 pg islet⁻¹ h⁻¹ (b)). * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, *** $p < 0.001$ vs no GLP-1(7-36); † $p < 0.05$ vs 10 pmol/l GLP-1(7-36) vs no sitagliptin (1-way ANOVA with Dunnett's post-hoc test). **(c)** Effect of sitagliptin (100 nmol/l) at 1 mmol/l glucose alone. Each data point represents a unique group of 12 islets isolated from 8 mice. Glucagon secretion has been normalised to that at 1 mmol/l glucose (1 = 4.07 ± 0.2 pg islet⁻¹ h⁻¹).

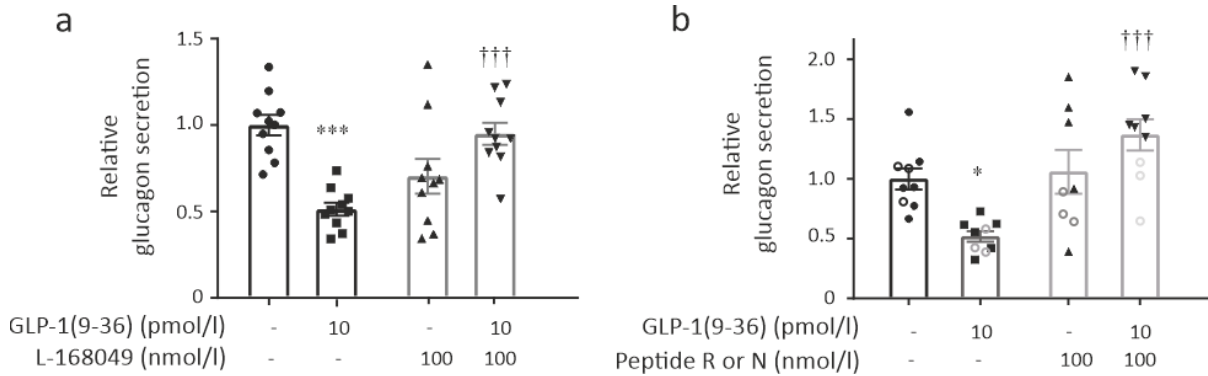


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44 **ESM ESM Fig. 4** GCGR activation by glucagon and GLP-1 (9-36). **(a-f)** Effects of increasing
 45 concentrations of glucagon and GLP-1(9-36) on dissociation of the different GTP-binding
 46 protein alpha-subunits (indicated to the right of the vertical axes in panels a-f) from GCGR
 47 expressed in HEK293T cells using the TRUPATH biosensor platform. Effects are expressed
 48 as the ligand-induced change in BRET (Δ BRET) against concentration of glucagon and GLP-
 49 1(9-36). Data representative of 3-5 replicates (in duplicate). See also ESM Table 4.

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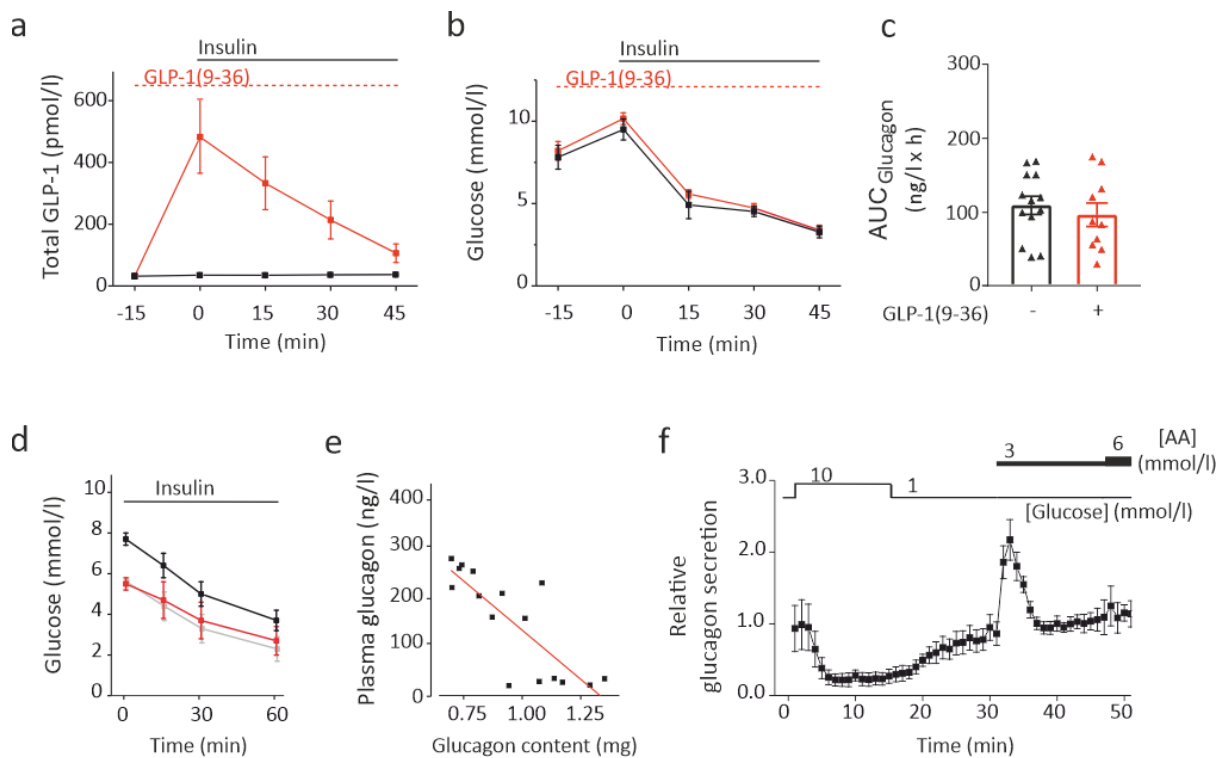


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53 **ESM Fig. 5** GRAs prevent glucagonostatic effects of GLP-1(9-36). **(a)** Effects of 10 pmol/l
54 GLP-1(9-36) on glucagon secretion in the absence or presence of 100 nmol/l L-168049. Each
55 data point represents a unique group of 12 islets isolated from 6 mice. Glucagon secretion has
56 been normalised to that at 1 mmol/l glucose ($1=5.9\pm0.3\text{pg islet}^{-1}\text{h}^{-1}$). $*p<0.05$ versus no GLP-
57 1(9-36), $\dagger\dagger\dagger p<0.001$ vs 10 pmol/l GLP-1 in the absence of L-168049 (one-way ANOVA
58 followed by Dunnet's post-hoc). Glucagon secretion normalised to rate of release at 1 mmol/l
59 glucose ($n=8-9$ from 3 donors). **(b)** Glucagon secretion in human islets in the absence and
60 presence of GLP-1(9-36). The GCGR antagonists desHis¹Pro⁴Glu⁹glucagon ("Peptide N) or
61 desHis¹Pro⁴Glu⁹Lys¹²PAL-glucagon ("Peptide R) were included in the incubation medium at
62 a concentration of 100 nmol/l as indicated. For display, data with the two antagonists have been
63 pooled. Each data point represents a unique group of 12 islets isolated from 3 donors. Glucagon
64 secretion has been normalised to that at 1 mmol/l glucose ($1=7.2\pm0.7\text{pg islet}^{-1}\text{h}^{-1}$). $*p<0.05$ vs
65 no GLP-1(9-36), $\dagger\dagger\dagger p<0.001$ vs 1 pmol/l GLP-1(9-36) in the absence of peptide R or N (one-
66 way ANOVA followed by Dunnet's post-hoc).

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69 **ESM Fig. 6** Effects of GLP-1(9-36) *in vivo*. (a) Total plasma GLP-1 measured with (red
70 symbols) or without (black symbols) injection of GLP-1(9-36) (100 μ g/kg body weight; at t=-15
71 min). GLP-1(9-36) was injected intraperitoneally (ip) and samples were taken at indicated
72 times. At t=0 min, insulin (0.75 U/kg was injected ip. Data are mean values \pm S.E.M. of 7 mice
73 in each group. (b) Plasma glucose measured during insulin-induced hypoglycaemia in (a).
74 Plasma glucose values are not statistically different at any time point (n=13 saline and n=14
75 GLP-1(9-36)). (c) Dot plots of areas under the curve (AUCs) measured during 45min following
76 injection of insulin at t=0min in the absence (black) or presence (red) of exogenous GLP-1(9-
77 36) when GLP-1(9-36) was co-injected with insulin (0.75 U/kg). (d) Lowering of plasma
78 glucose following injection of insulin (0.75U/kg body weight) under control conditions (black)
79 and after pretreatment with REMD2.59 in the absence (red) or presence (grey) of GLP-1(9-36)
80 (100 ng/g body weight; injected at t=-15 min; red). (e) Relationship between pancreatic
81 glucagon content and plasma glucagon ($r=-0.816$). (f) Glucagon secretion measured in the
82 perfused mouse pancreas at 10 and 1 mmol/l glucose as indicated. Increasing glucose reversibly
83 inhibited glucagon secretion by 80%. A cocktail of amino acids (glutamine, alanine and
84 arginine, equal amounts) was included at a total concentration of 3 and 6mmol/l in the perfusion
85 medium at 1 mM glucose as indicated. Mean values \pm S.E.M. of 5 experiments. Secretion rates
86 have been normalised to that at 1 mmol/l glucose (1=86 \pm 17 pg/min; n=10 mice). Stimulatory
87 effect of 3 mmol/l AAs is statistically significant ($p<0.005$ by ANOVA).

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ESM Table 1. Human islet donor details

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Parameter	
Age (years) ([Range]	48 [3, 80]
BMI (kg x m ⁻²)	23.8 [15.9, 34]
Number of donors	22
Male/Female	13/9
Healthy/Type 2 diabetes	17/5

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95 Human pancreatic islets were isolated (with ethical approval and clinical consent). Human

96 islets were usually released for experimental work within 24h of islet isolation. During the

97 interval between islet isolation and the hormone secretion studies, islets were maintained in

98 complete RPMI medium containing 5mmol/l glucose for up to 2 days prior to the experiments.

99 Donors with type-2 diabetes were identified based on clinical history and/or measured

100 HbA1C. Data are given as mean values and the range.

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ESM Table 2

Salts (mmol/l)	EC1	EC2	EC3
NaCl	120	140	140
KCl	4.7	3.6	3.6
CaCl ₂	2.5	2.5	2.6
KH ₂ PO ₄	1.2	0.5 (NaH ₂ PO ₄)	1 (NaH ₂ PO ₄)
MgSO ₄	1.2	0.5	1.2
NaHCO ₃	25	2	5
HEPES	10 (pH 7.4 with NaOH)	5 (pH 7.4 with NaOH)	10 (pH 7.4 with NaOH)
BSA (%)	0.1 (for secretion)	0.2	0.2
Main application	Mouse islet secretion¹ & TIRF imaging	Human islet secretion	PKA activity measurements

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104 Composition of extracellular media used.

105 ¹Except for experiments in Fig. 2C and ESM Figs 2-4, 5h and 6-7 in which EC2 was used.

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ESM Table 3

Gα-Rluc8	Gβ	Gγ-GFP2
sS	3	9
i1	3	9
i2	3	8
i3	3	9
oA	3	8
oB	3	8
Z	3	1

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109 Combinations of TRUPATH constructs used to measure G Protein dissociation.

110 Combinations are as described in ref. no. [21].

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ESM Table 4

Gα	Glucagon			GLP-1(9-36)		
	E_{max}	pEC₅₀ (mol/l)	(n)	E_{max}	pEC₅₀ (mol/l)	(n)
i1	-0.258±0.012	7.47±0.10	3	-	-	4
i2	-0.157±0.009	7.58±0.14	3	-0.016±0.012	6.30±1.15	3
i3	-0.137±0.014	7.05±0.20	3	-	-	3
oA	-0.210±0.009	7.83±0.10	4	-0.021±0.003*	7.55±-0.52	3
oB	-0.211±0.015	7.78±0.18	5	-	-	4
α z	-0.126±0.017	6.86±0.22	3	-	-	5
sS	-0.223±0.014	8.16±0.16	4	-	-	3

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113 Maximum emission change (E_{max}: Δ BRET) and concentration (log₁₀) of glucagon and GLP-114 1(9-36) at which Δ BRET is half-maximal (pEC₅₀) derived from the experiments in ESM Fig.115 5. Data are shown for GCGR for indicated G α subunits. Data are mean values \pm S.E.M. of116 indicated number of experiments (n). -, insufficient data. *p=0.0016 vs baseline; G α i2 not117 statistically significant (p=0.067). Effects of glucagon statistically significant for all G α .

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Checklist for reporting human islet preparations used in research

Adapted from Hart NJ, Powers AC (2018) Progress, challenges, and suggestions for using human islets to understand islet biology and human diabetes. Diabetologia <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00125-018-4772-2>

Islet preparation	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 ^a
MANDATORY INFORMATION								
Unique identifier	HP10-39	HP10-28	HP10-29	HP10-44	HP11-44	HP11-37	HP14-28	
Donor age (years)	38	47	24	28	24	59	50	
Donor sex (M/F)	M	M	M	F	M	F	F	
Donor BMI (kg/m ²)	34	25.7	25	23	25	23	26	
Donor HbA _{1c} or other measure of blood glucose control	-							
Origin/source of islets ^b	Oxford	Oxford	Oxford	Oxford	Oxford	Oxford	Oxford	
Islet isolation centre	Oxford	Oxford	Oxford	Oxford	Oxford	Oxford	Oxford	
Donor history of diabetes? Please select yes/no from drop down list	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	
Diabetes duration (years)								
Glucose-lowering therapy at time of death ^c								
OPTIONAL INFORMATION								
Donor cause of death	ICH	ICH	RTA	DCD	ICH	ICH	ICH	
Warm ischaemia time (h)				0.2	0.5			
Cold ischaemia time (h)	5	7.5	7	9	3.5	10	5	

Estimated purity (%)	70	80	70			70	50	
Estimated viability (%)	90					80	79	
Total culture time (h) ^d								
Glucose-stimulated insulin secretion or other functional measurement ^e	2- to 4-fold	2-fold	7-fold	2-fold	2-fold	3-fold	2-fold	
Handpicked to purity? Please select yes/no from drop down list	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Additional notes								

^aIf you have used more than eight islet preparations, please complete additional forms as necessary

^bFor example, IIDP, ECIT, Alberta IsletCore

^cPlease specify the therapy/therapies

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MANDATORY INFORMATION								
Unique identifier	H2307	H2109	R249	H2510	H2516	R390	R392	HP14-29
Donor age (years)	58	65	62	52	55	3	8	44
Donor sex (M/F)	F	F	F	M	M	M	F	F
Donor BMI (kg/m ²)	26.7	20.8	22.2	26.9	22.4	19.8	15.9	29
Donor HbA _{1c} or other measure of blood glucose control mmol/mol (%)	41 (5.9%)	41 (5.9%)	-	17 (3.7%)	16 (3.6%)	10 (3.1%)	29 (4.8%)	36 (5.4%)
Origin/source of islets ^b	Uppsala/Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Uppsala/Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Alberta	Uppsala/Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Uppsala/Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Alberta	Alberta	Oxford
Islet isolation centre	Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Uppsala/Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Alberta Isletcore, Edmonton	Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Alberta Isletcore, Edmonton	Alberta Isletcore, Edmonton	Oxford
Donor history of diabetes? Please select yes/no from drop down list	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
If Yes, complete the next two lines if this information is available								
Diabetes duration (years)								
Glucose-lowering therapy at time of death ^c								

RECOMMENDED INFORMATION								
Donor cause of death	DBD - Myocardial infarction	Trauma	DCD - Cardio-Circulatory			NDD - Neurological	NDD - Neurological	ICH
Warm ischaemia time (h)	3.5	2.5		2.5	3			0.9
Cold ischaemia time (h)	19	6.5	19	12	9	16.5	12.5	4
Estimated purity (%)			40%			75%	80%	50%
Estimated viability (%)								
Total culture time (h) ^d								
Glucose-stimulated insulin secretion or other functional measurement ^e	TIRF imaging	TIRF imaging	9.2-fold to 10G TIRF imaging	4-fold	5-fold	4-fold	3.5-fold	3-fold
Handpicked to purity? Please select yes/no from drop down list	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
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Islet preparation	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 ^a
MANDATORY INFORMATION								
Unique identifier	H2610	H2613	H2203	H2238	H2611	H2618	R472	
Donor age (years)	62	65	59	73	51	80	49	
Donor sex (M/F)	M	M	M	F	M	M	M	
Donor BMI (kg/m ²)	22	22	20.9	22.3	NA	27.7	20.4	
Donor HbA _{1c} or other measure of blood glucose control	36 (5.4%)	38 (5.6%)	45 (6.3%)	44 (6.2%)	58 (7.5%)	45 (6.3%)	49 (6.6%)	
Origin/source of islets ^b	Uppsala/Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Uppsala/Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Uppsala/Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Uppsala/Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Uppsala/Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Uppsala/Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Alberta	
Islet isolation centre	Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Uppsala/Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Uppsala/Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Uppsala/Nordic Network for clinical islet transplantation	Alberta Isletcore, Edmonton	
Donor history of diabetes? Please select yes/no from drop down list	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
If Yes, complete the next two lines if this information is available								
Diabetes duration (years)							3 years	
Glucose-lowering therapy at time of death ^c					Metformin			

RECOMMENDED INFORMATION								
Donor cause of death			Cardiac arrest	SAH			NDD - Neurological	
Warm ischaemia time (h)	2.5	2.5	3	2.5	2.5	2		
Cold ischaemia time (h)	19.5	8	2.5	17.5	13	7	11	
Estimated purity (%)							75	
Estimated viability (%)								
Total culture time (h) ^d								
Glucose-stimulated insulin secretion or other functional measurement ^e	SI 3.6		TIRF imaging	TIRF imaging		SI 11.1	2.3-fold to 10G	
Handpicked to purity? Please select yes/no from drop down list	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
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