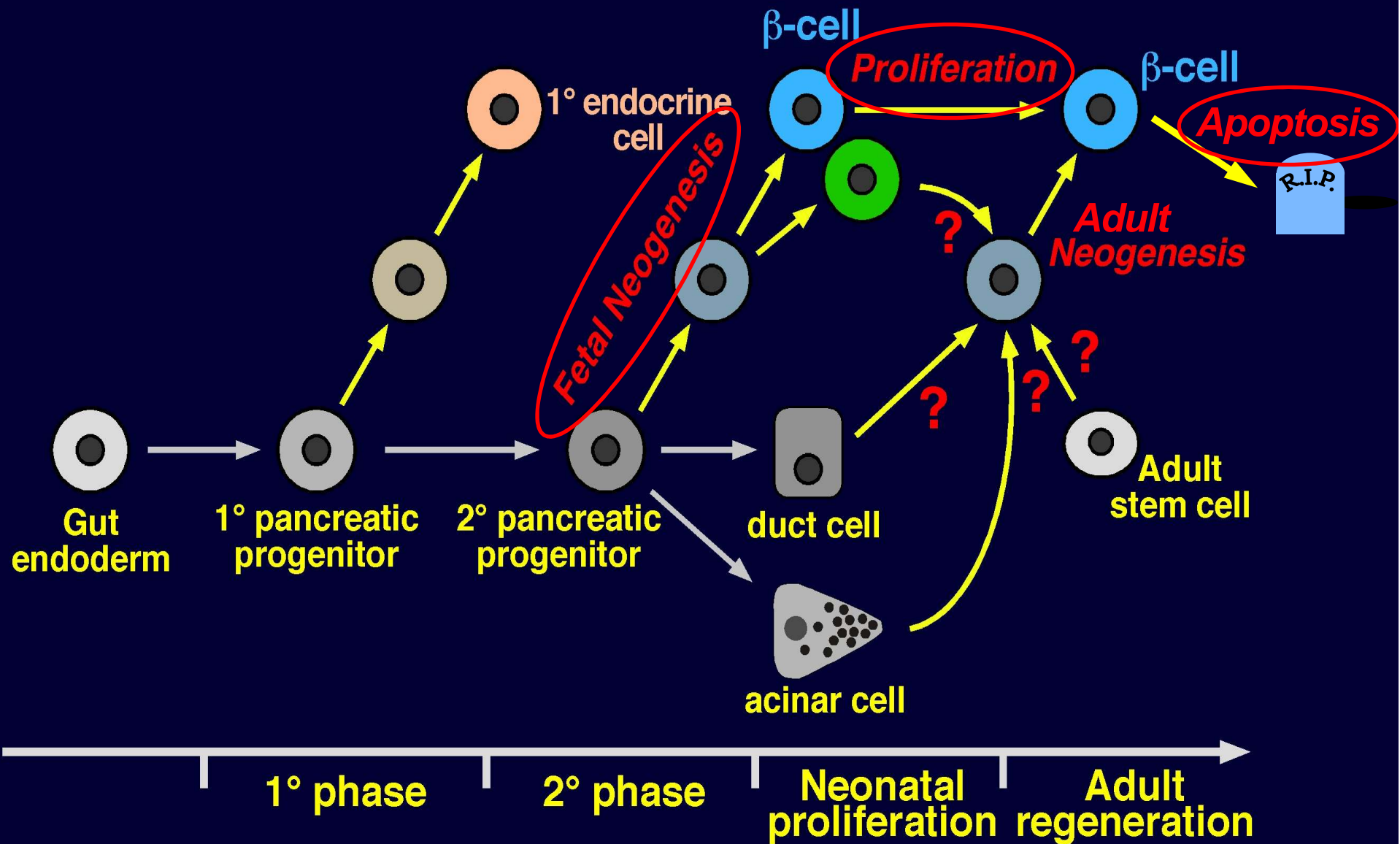
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# *$\beta$ Cell Generation and Regeneration*

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# Where do $\beta$ cells come from?



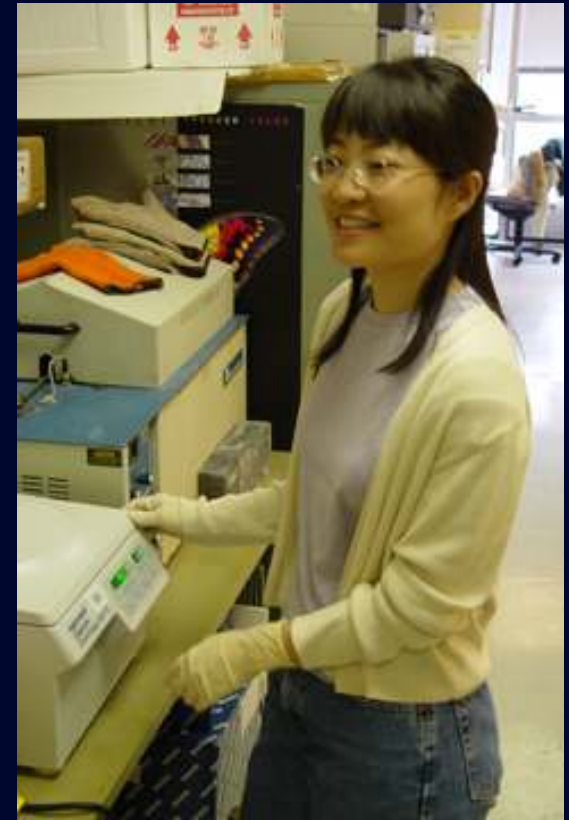


# Rfx6

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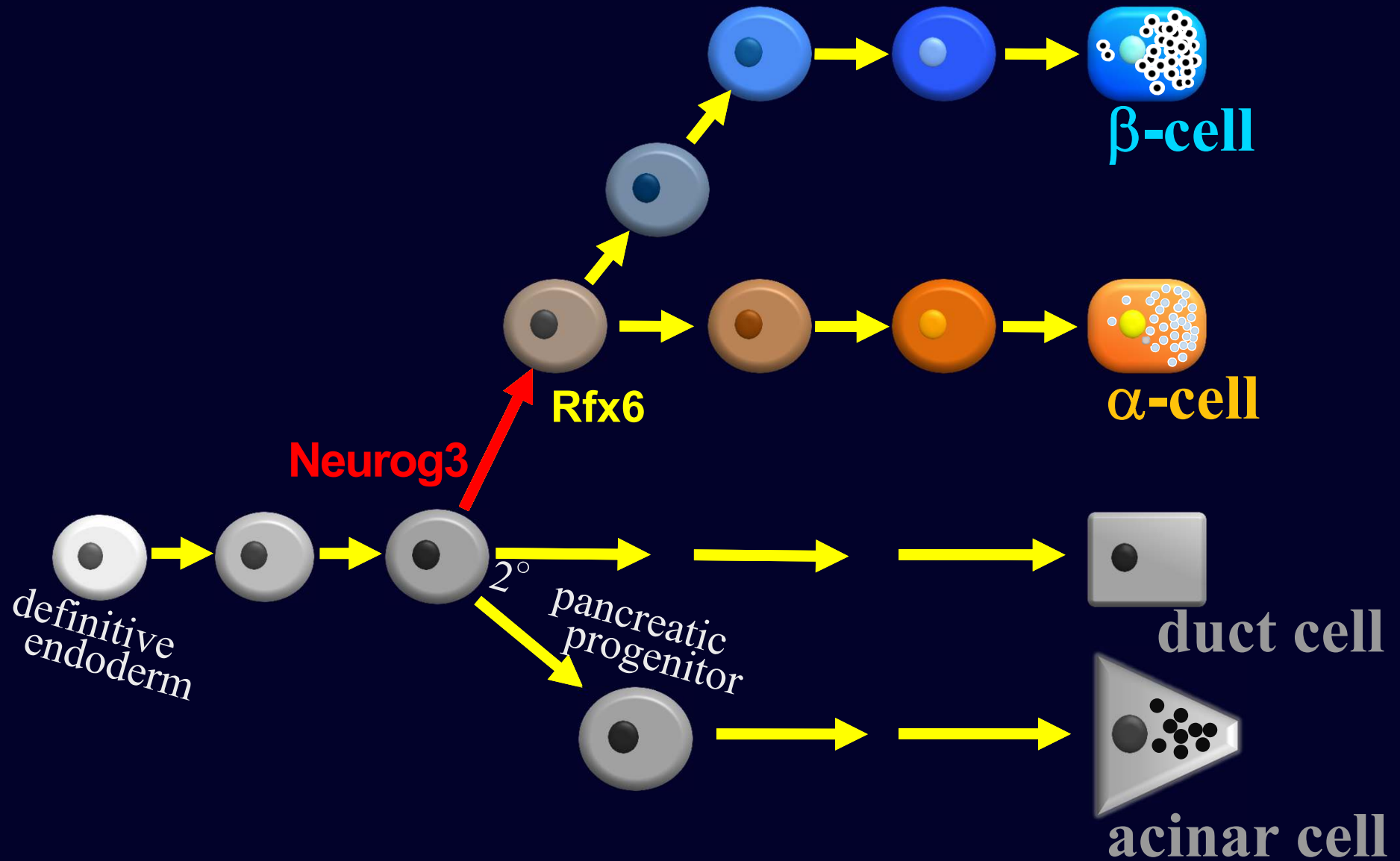


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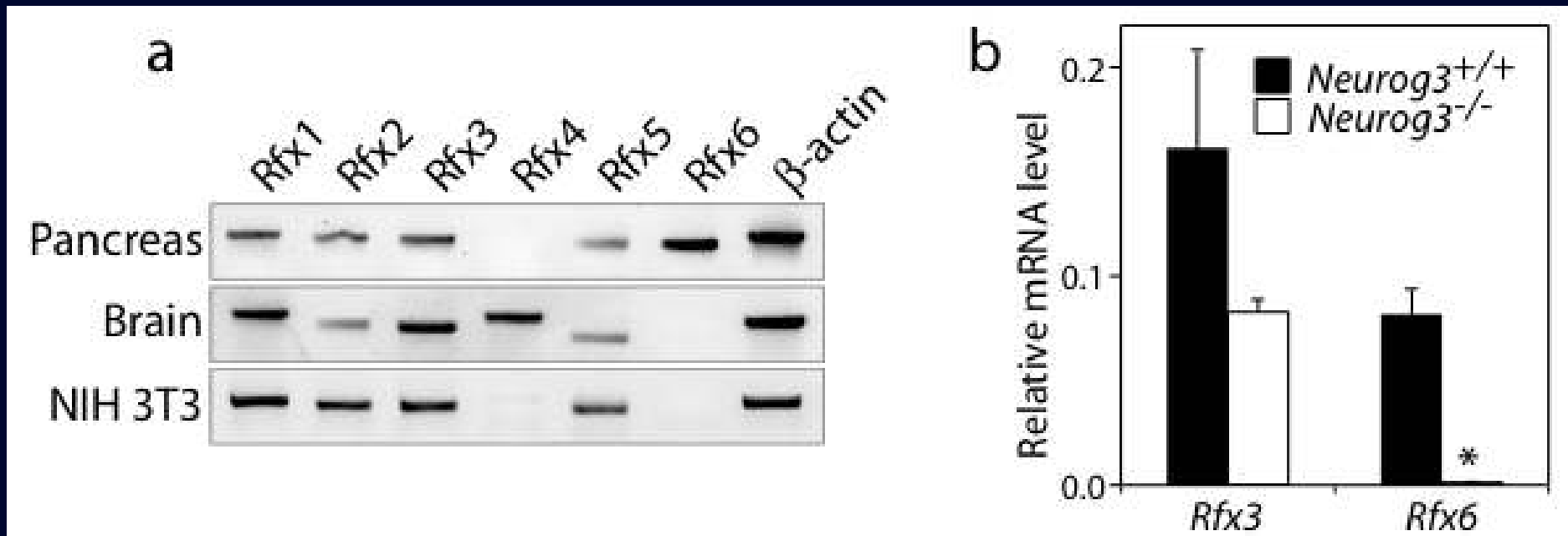


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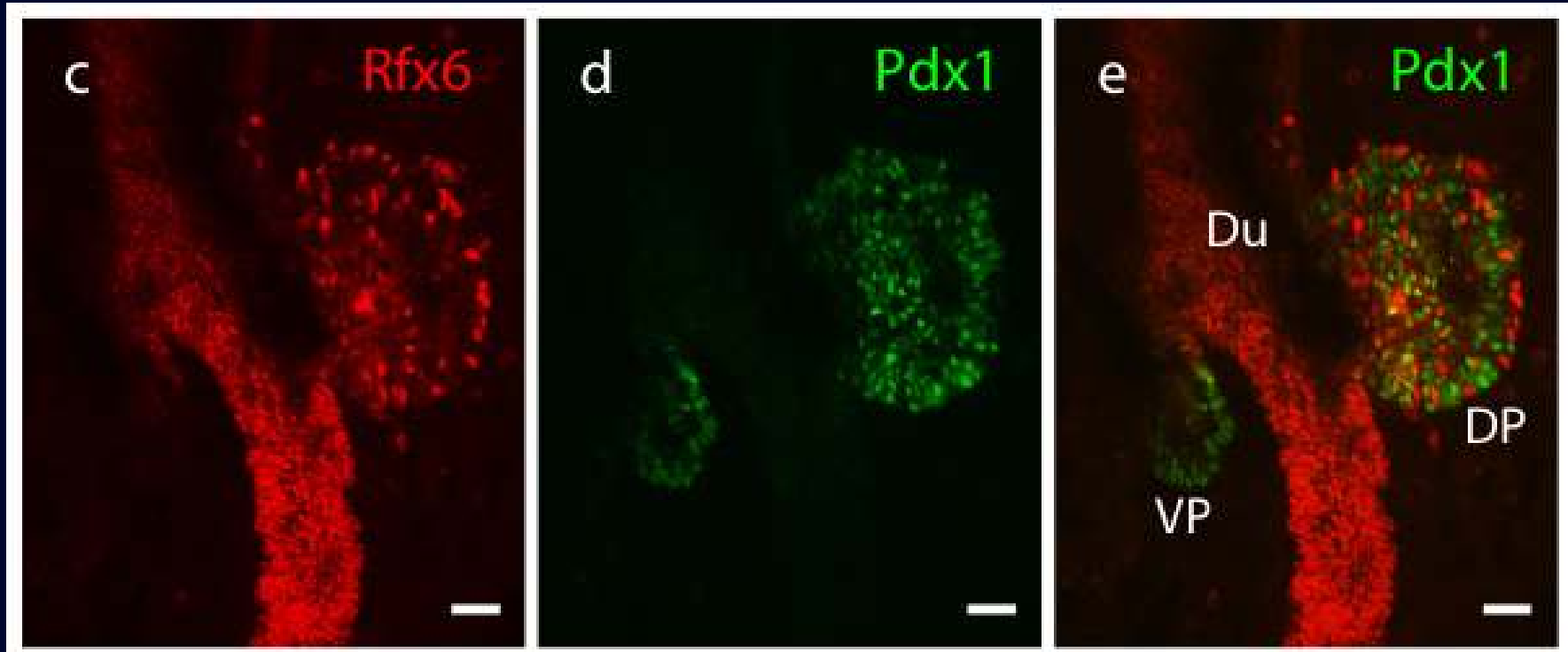
# Islet Cell Lineages



# Expression Profile of RFX Factors

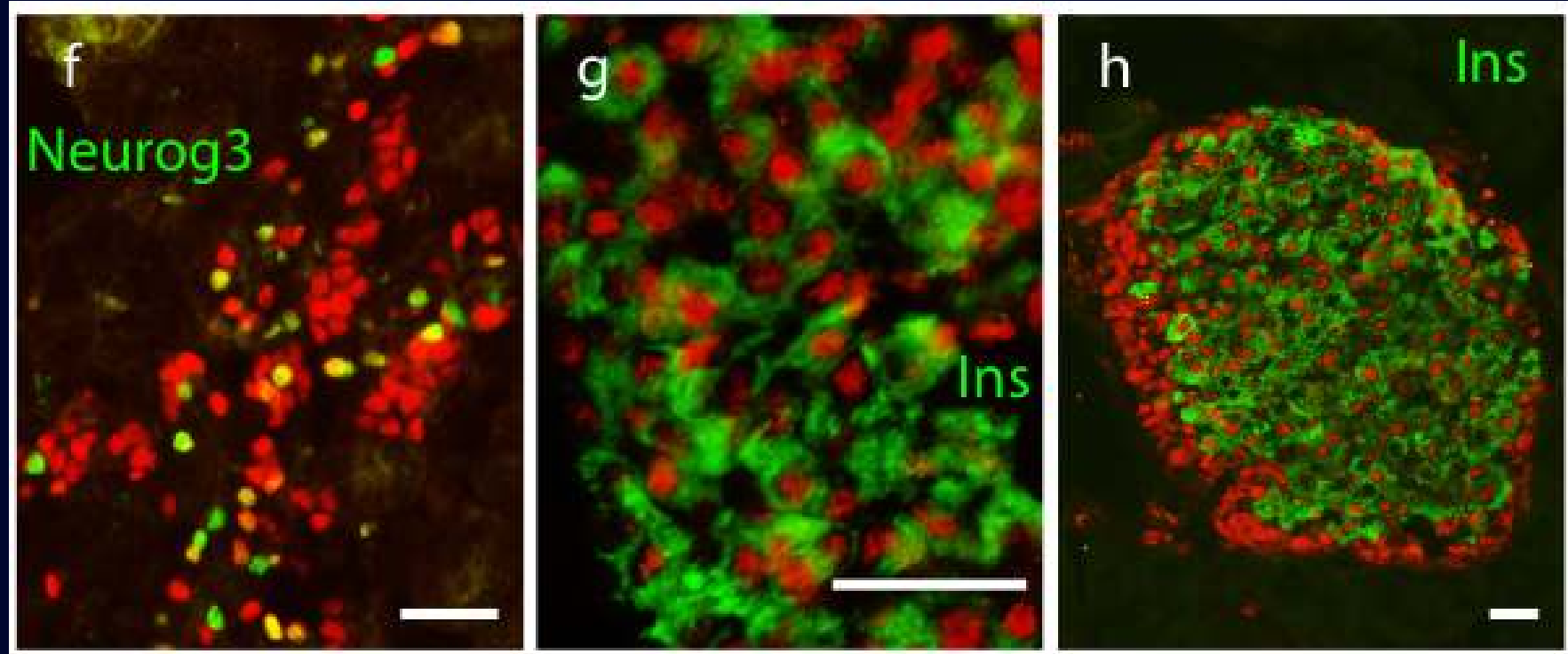


# Rfx6 Expression at E10



# Rfx6 Expression

Rfx6



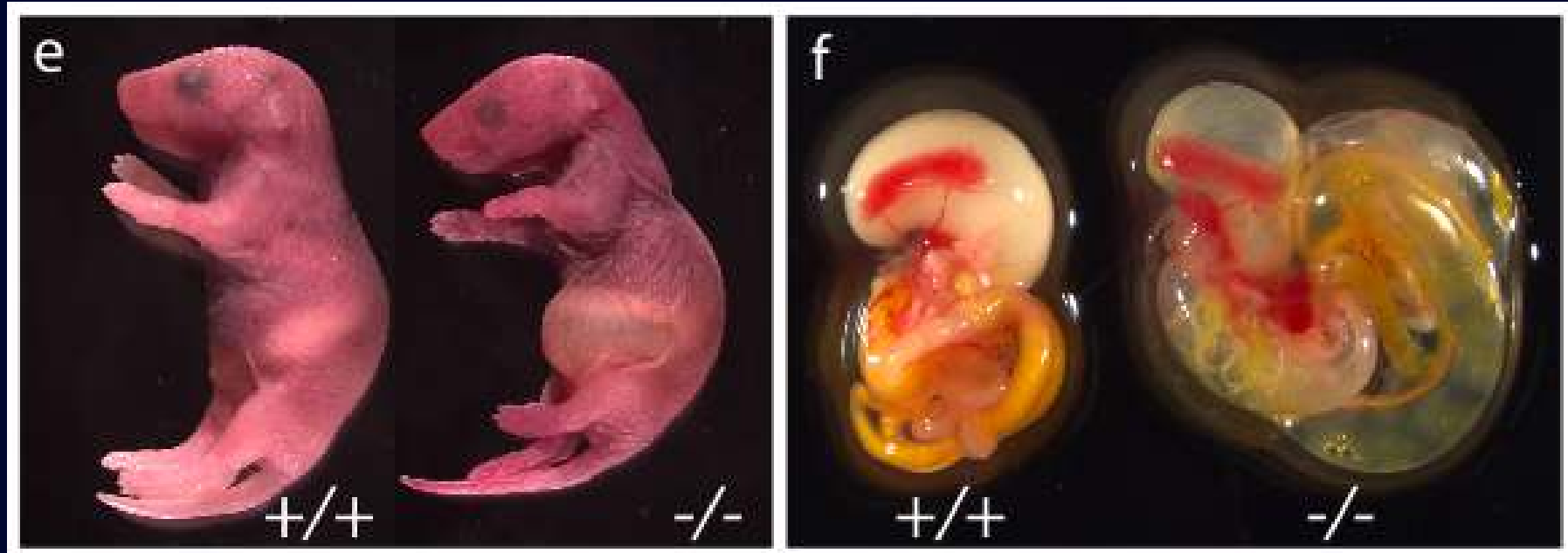
E14.5

E18.5

Adult

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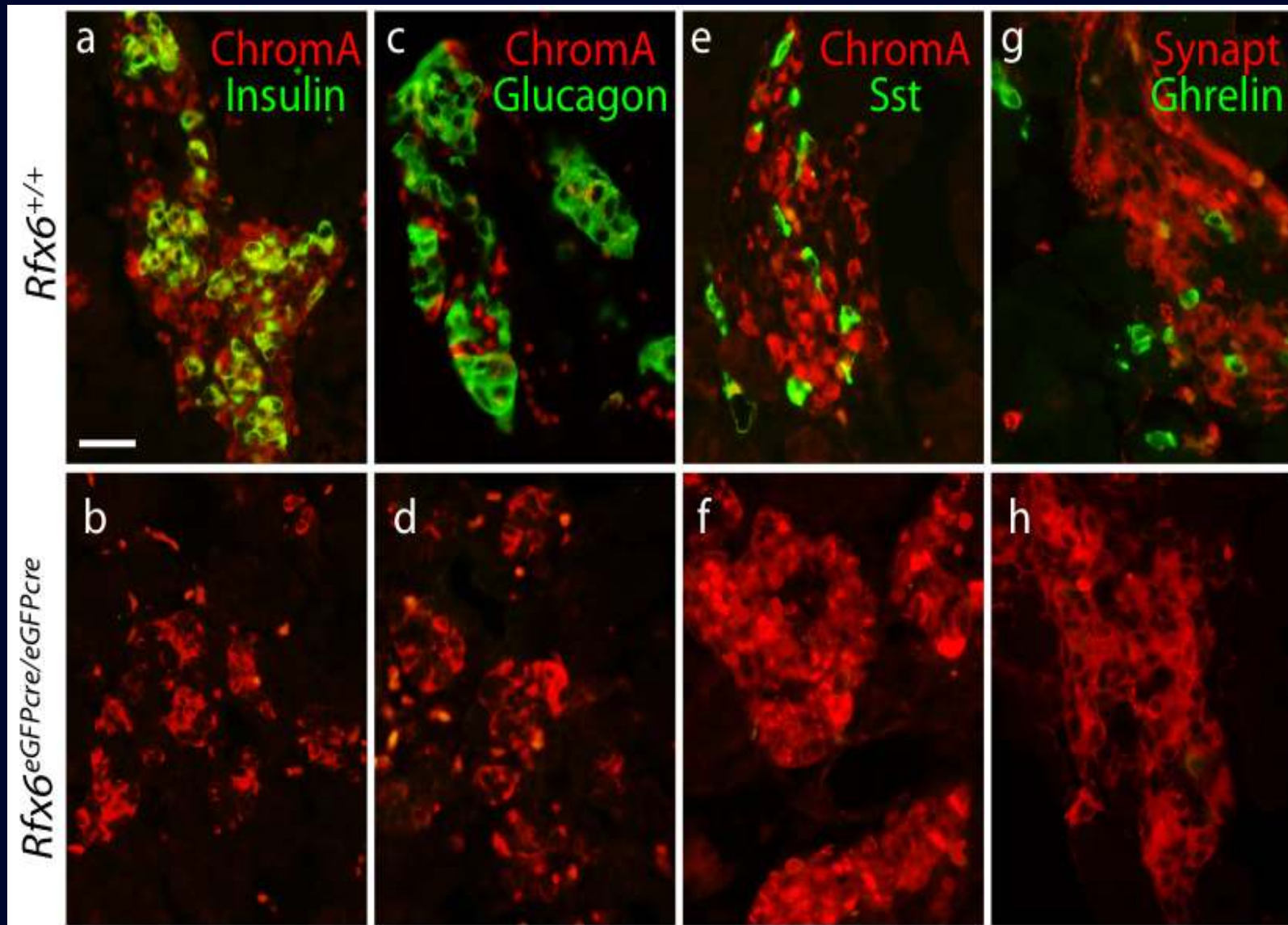
# *Rfx6*<sup>-/-</sup> Mice at P1



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# *Rfx6*<sup>-/-</sup> Mice at E17.5



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# Mitchell-Riley Syndrome

**Neonatal diabetes, with hypoplastic pancreas, intestinal atresia and gall bladder hypoplasia: search for the aetiology of a new autosomal recessive syndrome**

J. Mitchell<sup>1</sup> · Z. Punthakee<sup>1</sup> · B. Lo<sup>2</sup> · C. Bernard<sup>3</sup> · K. Chong<sup>2</sup> · C. Newman<sup>4</sup> · L. Cartier<sup>5</sup> · V. Desilets<sup>5</sup> · E. Cutz<sup>6</sup> · I. L. Hansen<sup>7</sup> · P. Riley<sup>8</sup> · C. Polychronakos<sup>1,9</sup>

Diabetologia, 2004.

## *Clinical Report*

**A Further Example of a Distinctive Autosomal Recessive Syndrome Comprising Neonatal Diabetes Mellitus, Intestinal Atresias and Gall Bladder Agenesis**

Louise Chappell,<sup>1</sup> Shaun Gorman,<sup>2</sup> Fiona Campbell,<sup>3</sup> Sian Ellard,<sup>4</sup> Gillian Rice,<sup>5</sup> Angus Dobbie,<sup>6\*</sup> and Yanick Crow<sup>2,5</sup>

Am. J. Med. Genetics, 2008.

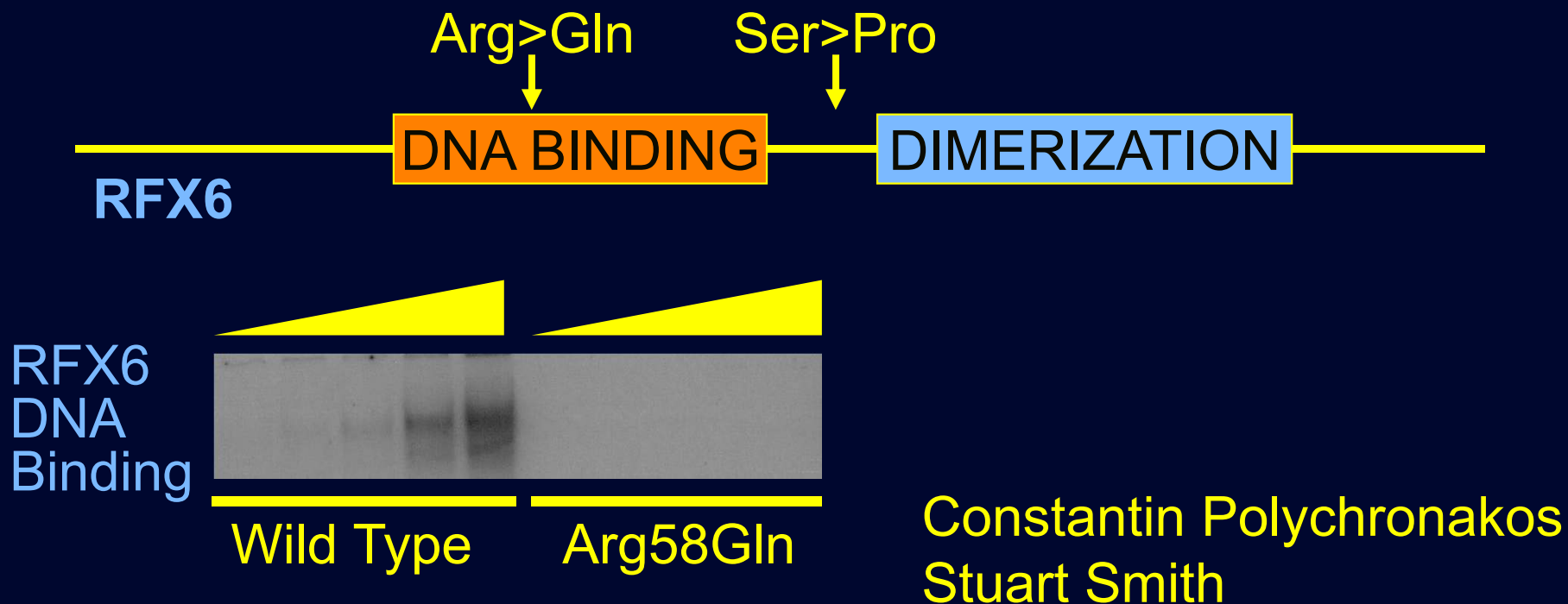
# Mutations in Human Patients.

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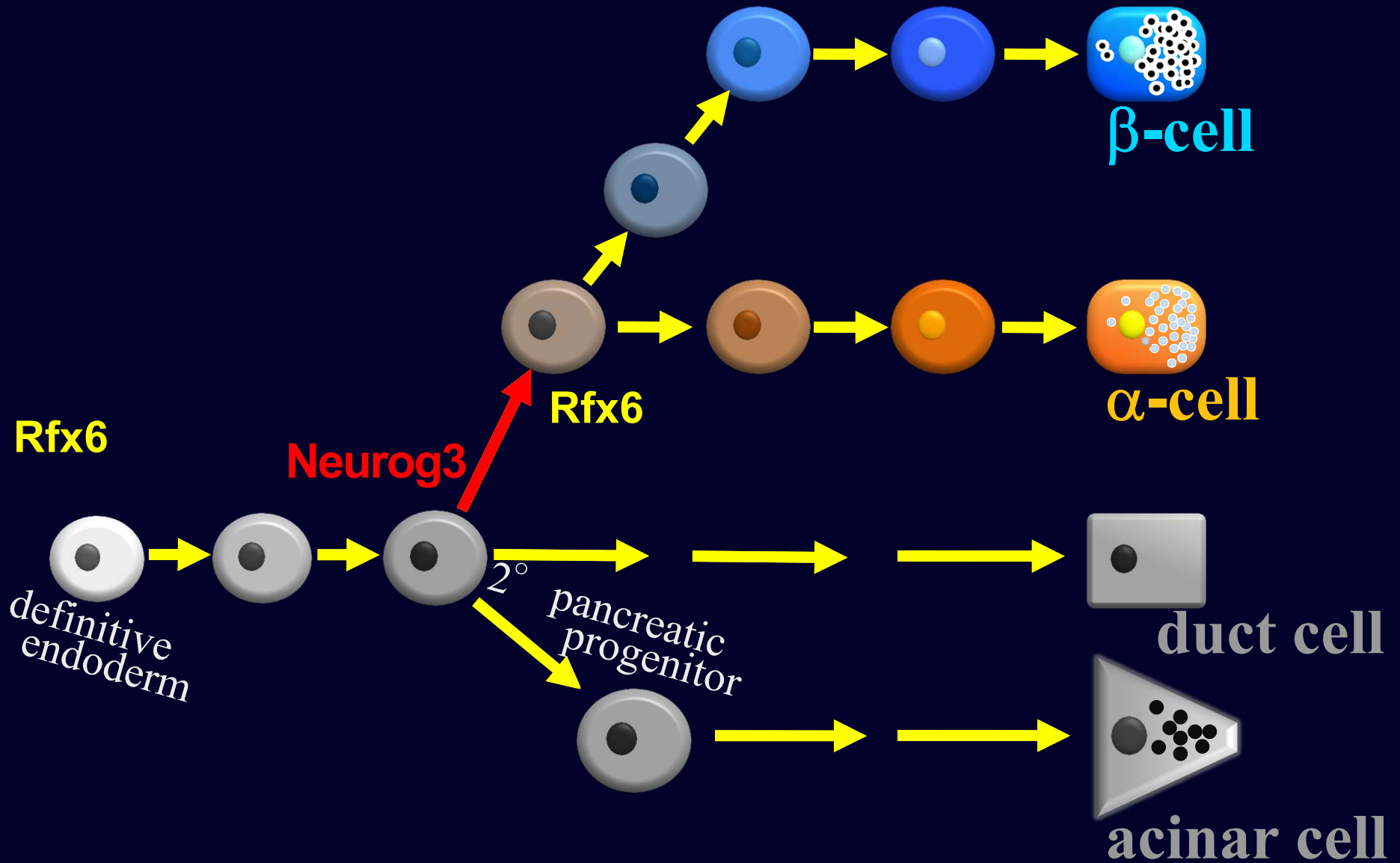
4 Homozygous *RFX6* mutations.

1 Compound heterozygote.

Splicing site and missense mutations.

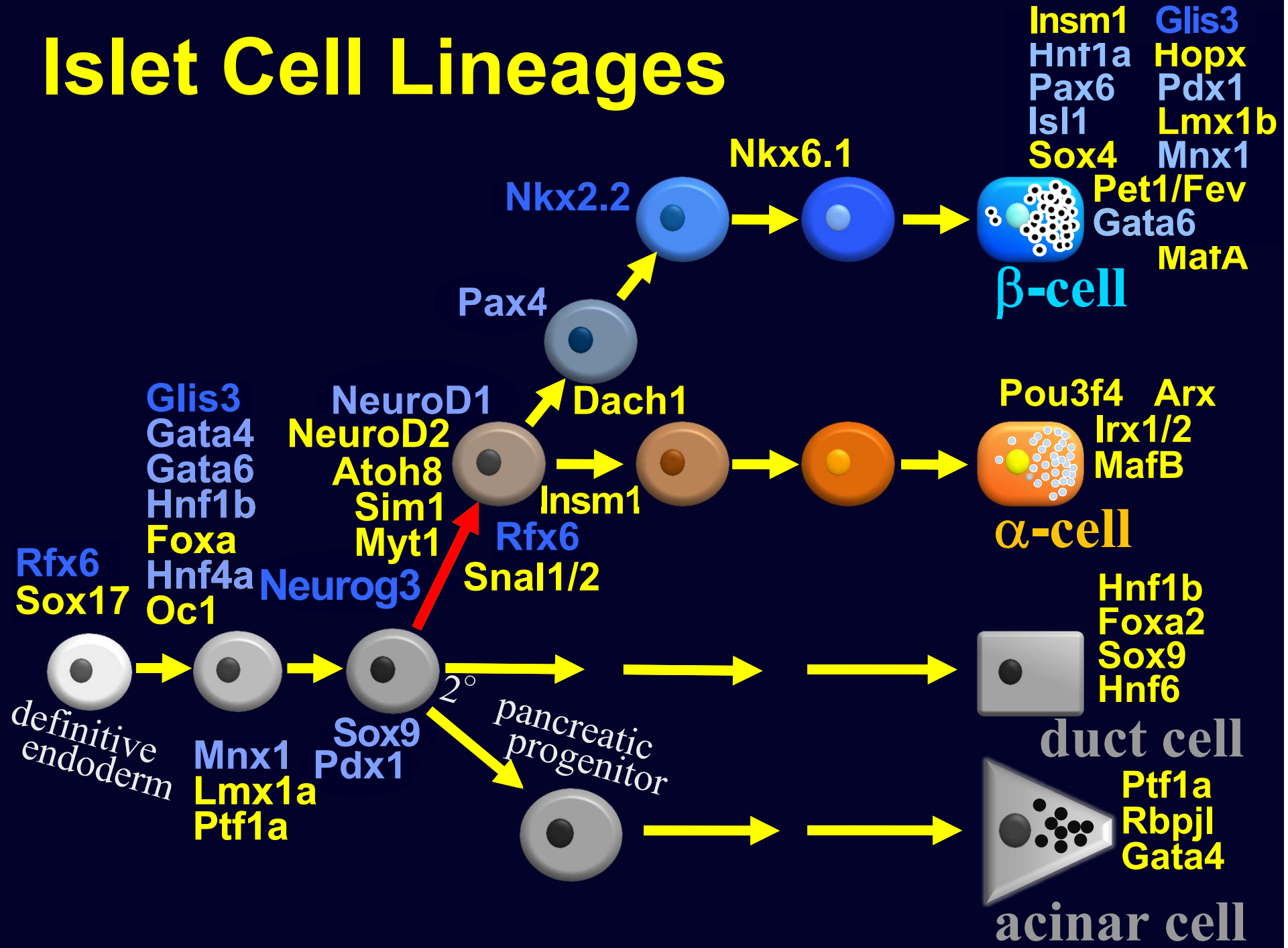


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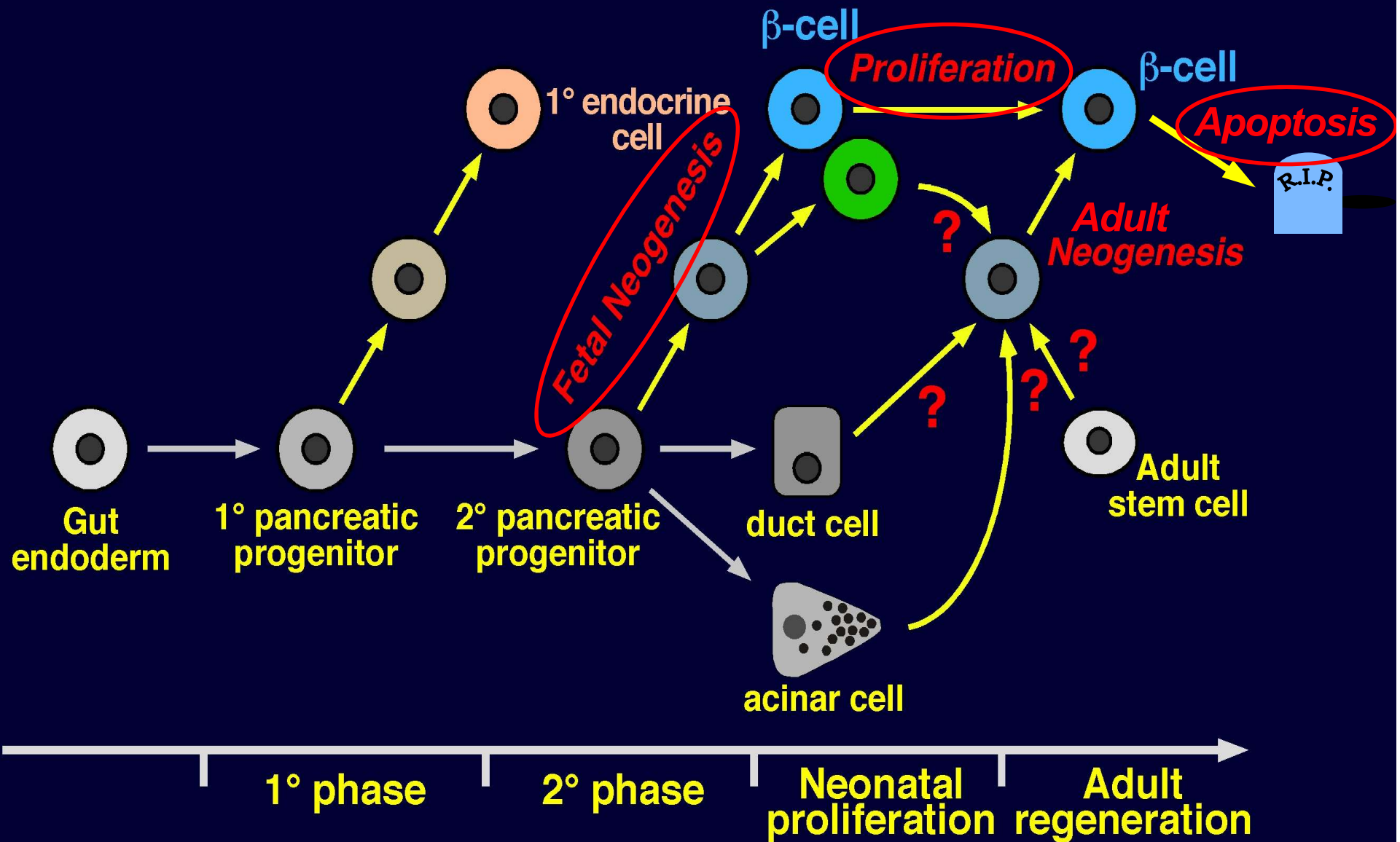




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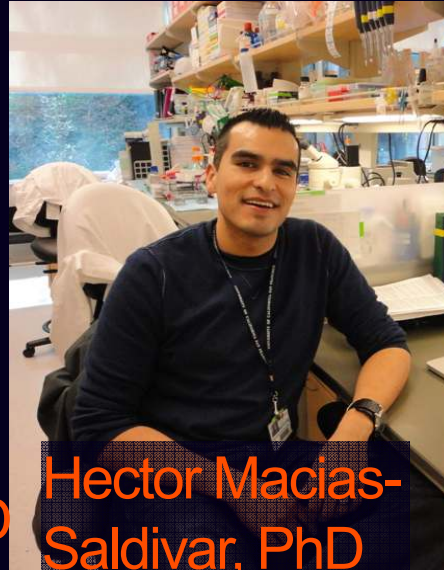
# Where do $\beta$ cells come from?



# Physiologic Regulators of $\beta$ Cell Turnover



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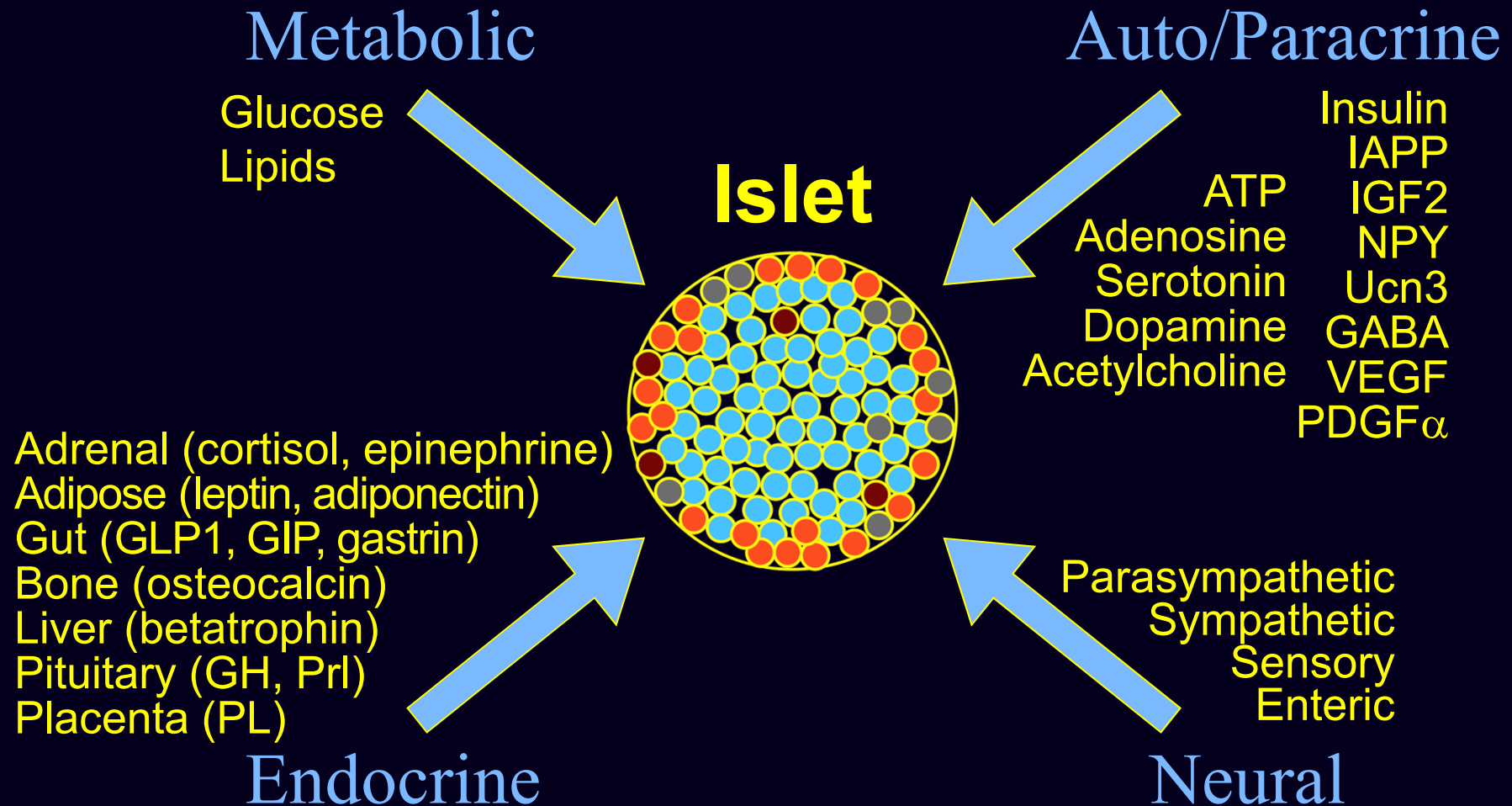
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# $\beta$ Cell Proliferation: Signals



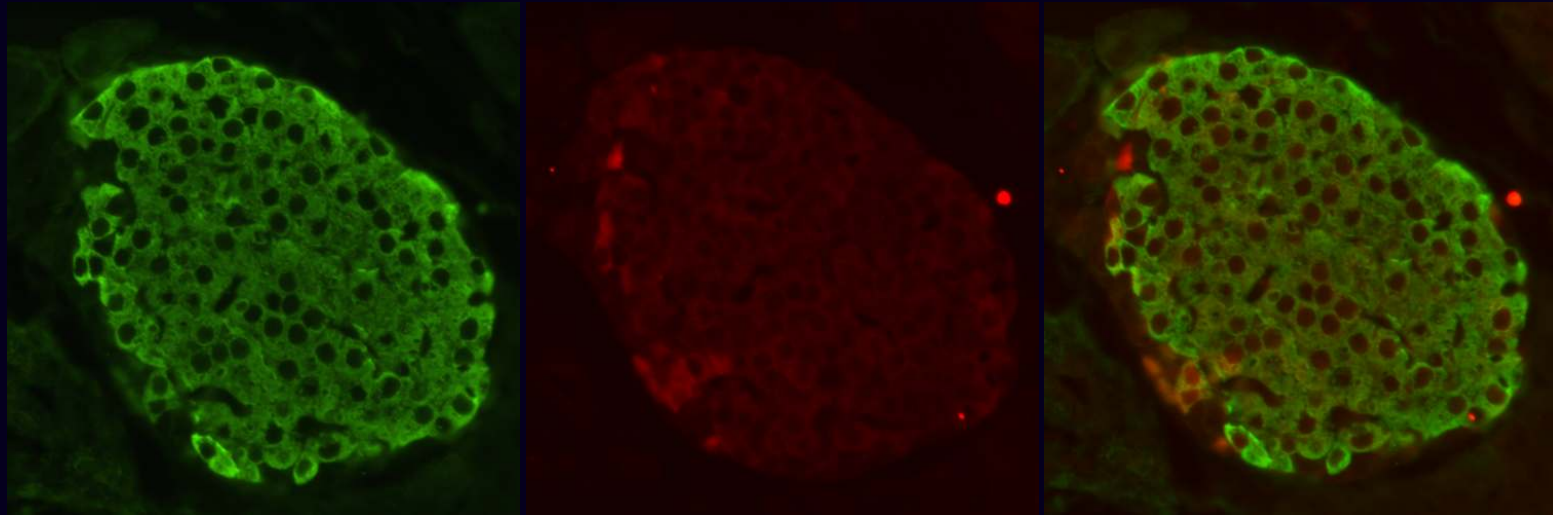
# Serotonin (5-HT) in mouse islets

Insulin

5-HT

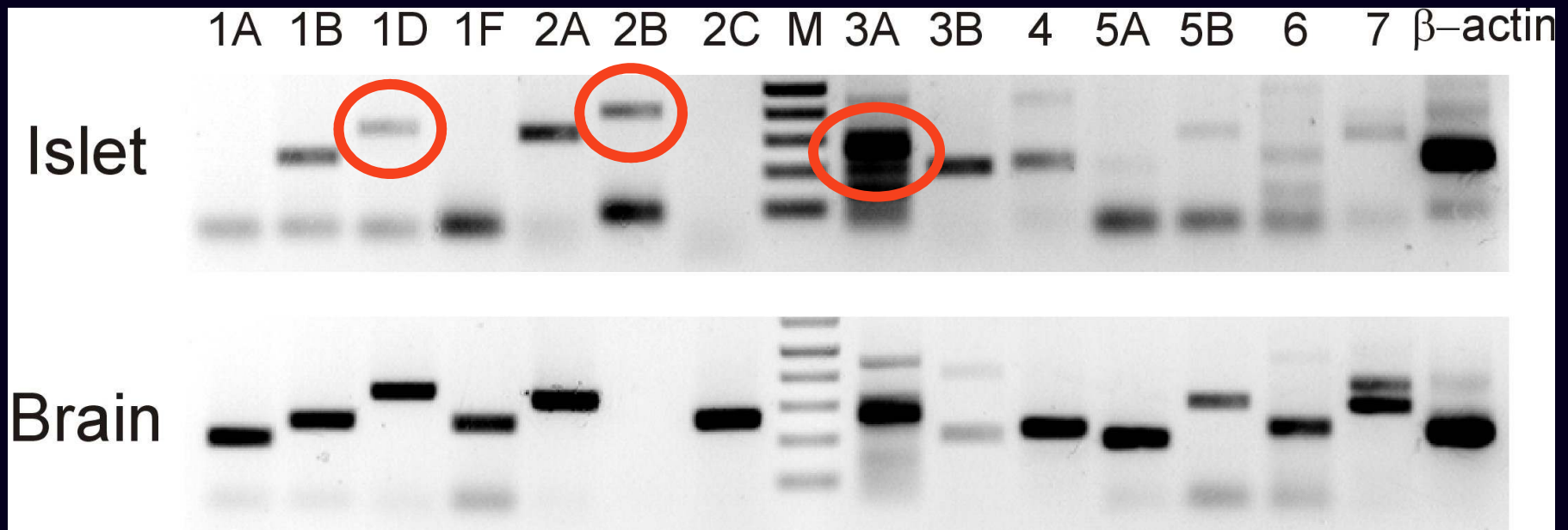
merge

Normal  
female



# 5-HT Receptors in the Islet

**$\beta$ -cell-specific expression**



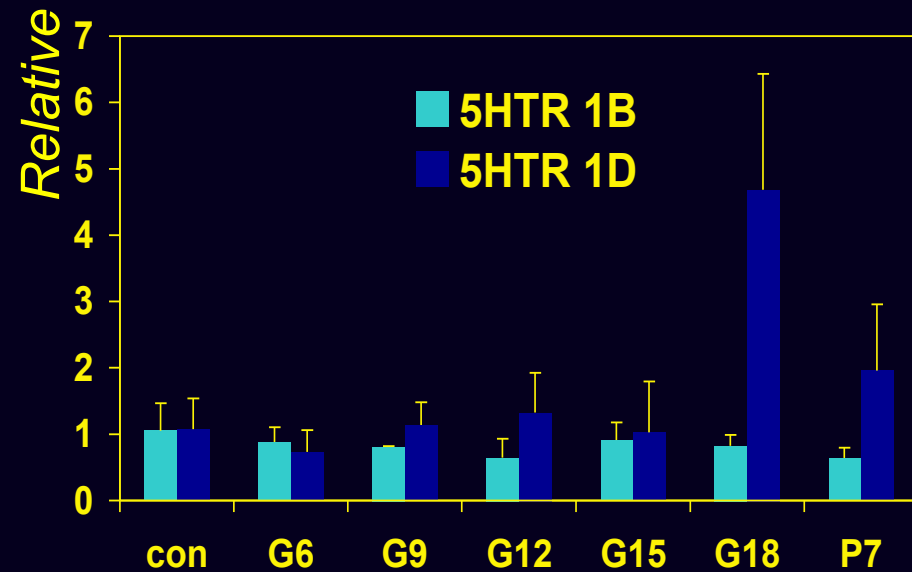
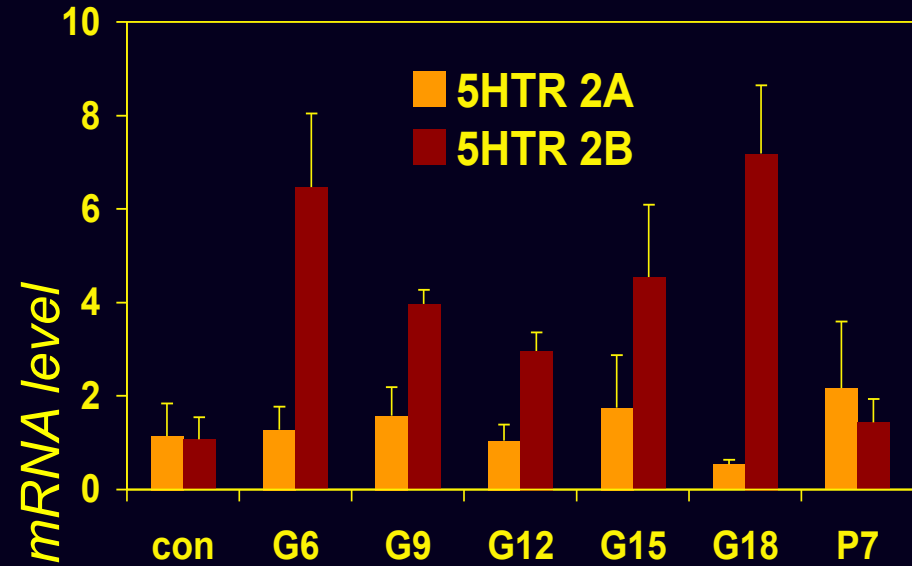
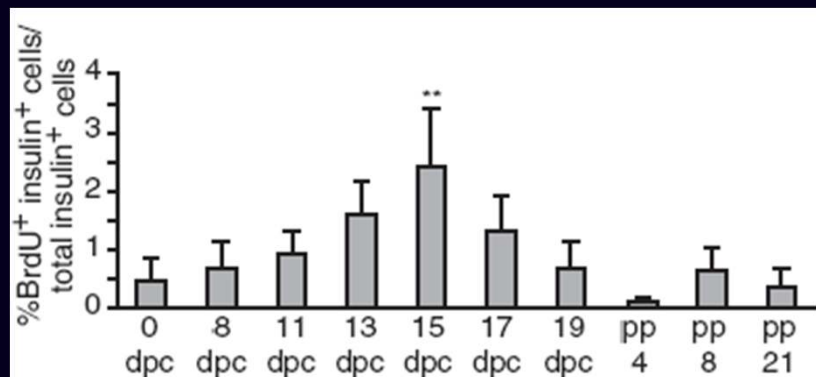
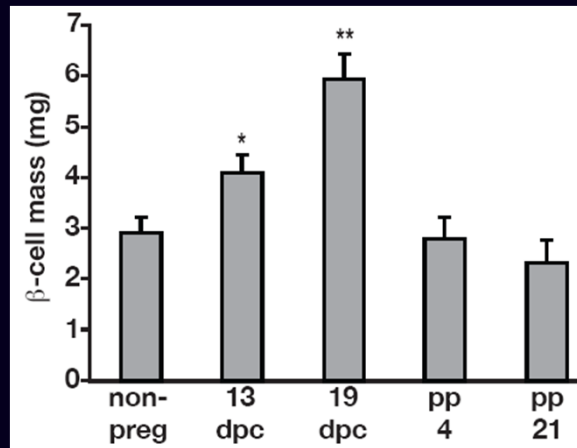
$G\alpha_i$

$G\alpha_q$

Ligand-gated  
cation channel

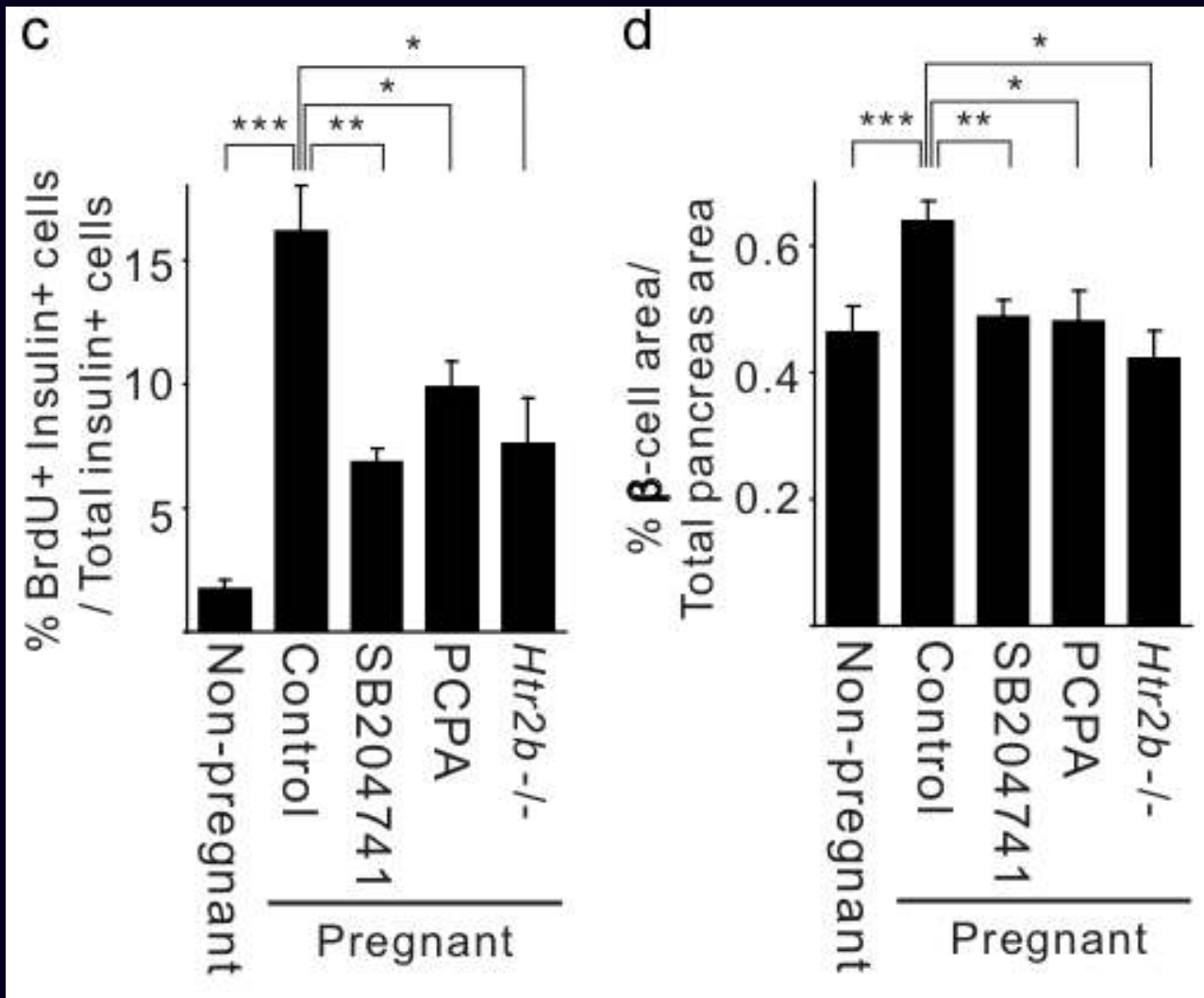
# 5-HTR in islets during pregnancy

Karnik, et al., 2007

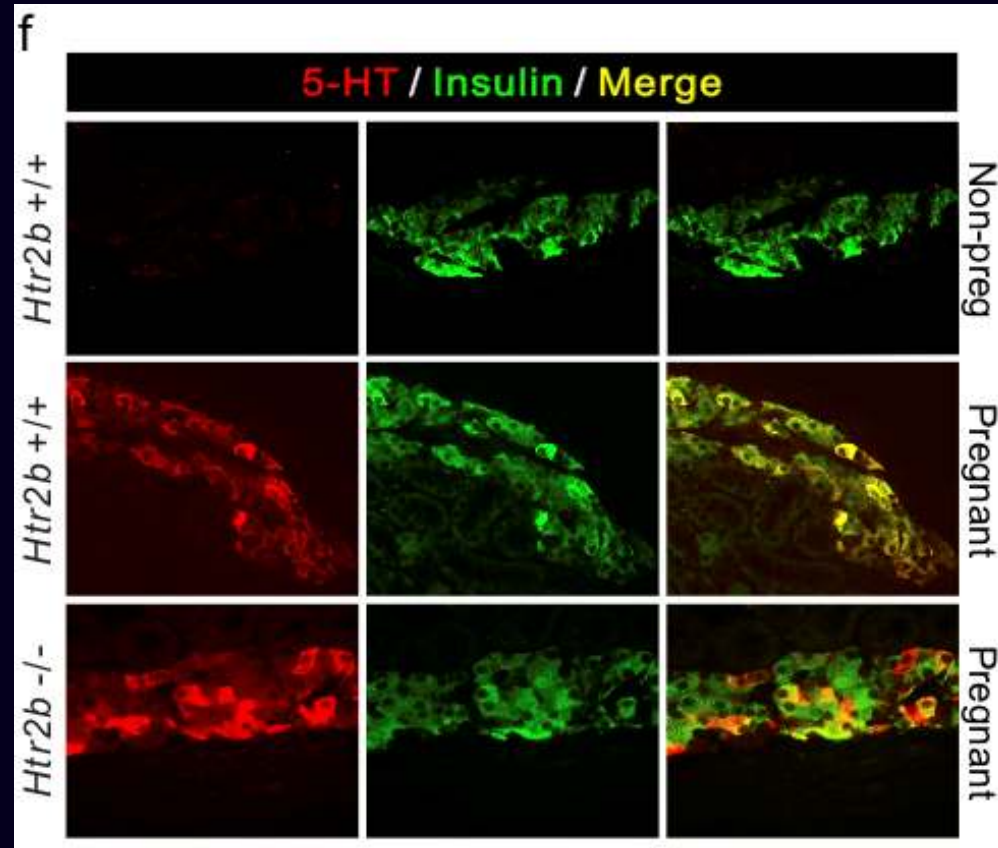
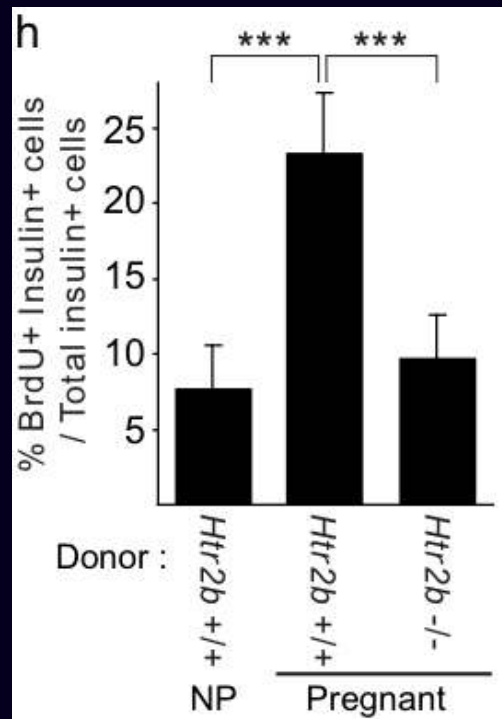
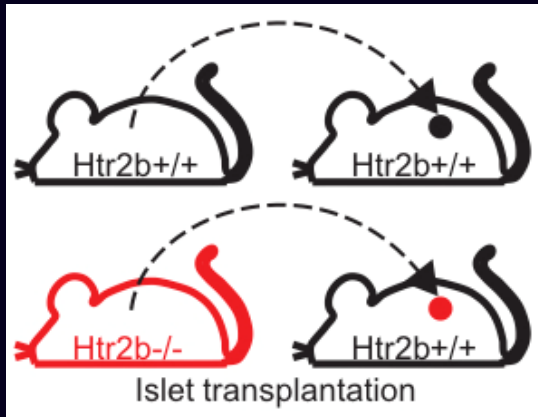




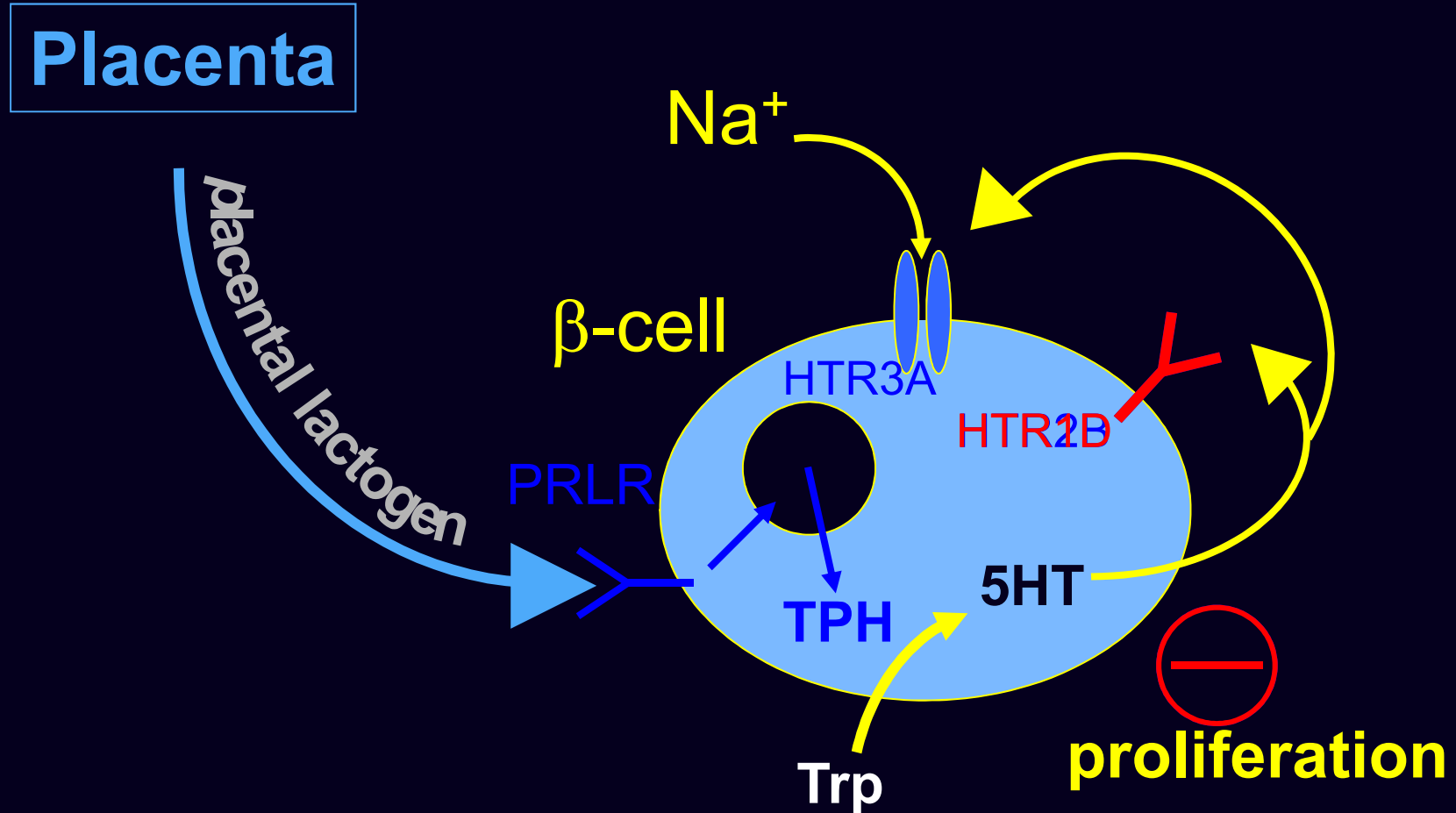
# 5-HT receptor inhibitor



# Htr2b KO Islets



# $\beta$ -cell Population in Pregnancy

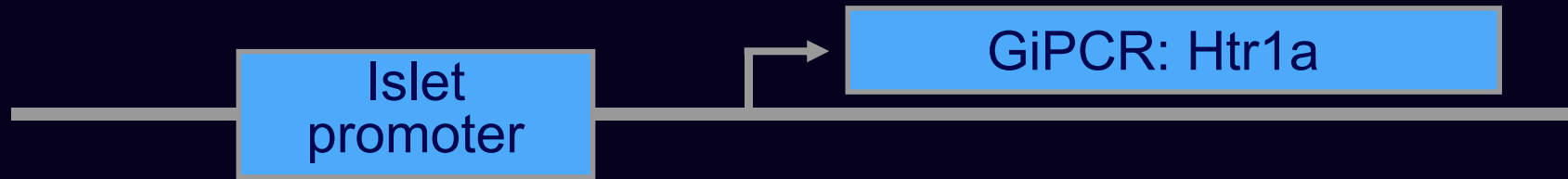


# GPCRs Implicated in $\beta$ -Cell Proliferation

- |                               |                          |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| A. $G\alpha_{q/11}$ -linked:  | Chrm3<br>Htr2b           |
| B. $G\alpha_s$ -linked:       | Glp1r<br>Gipr<br>Adora2b |
| C. $G\alpha_{12/13}$ -linked: | ?                        |
| D. $G\alpha_{i/o}$ -linked:   | Htr1d?                   |

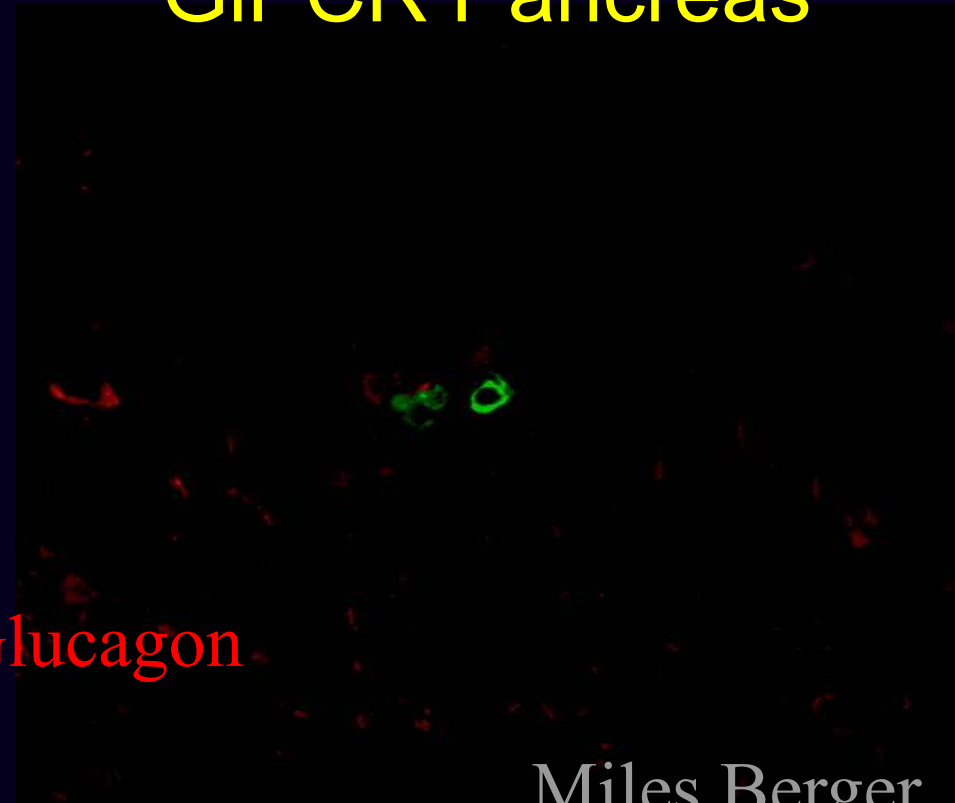
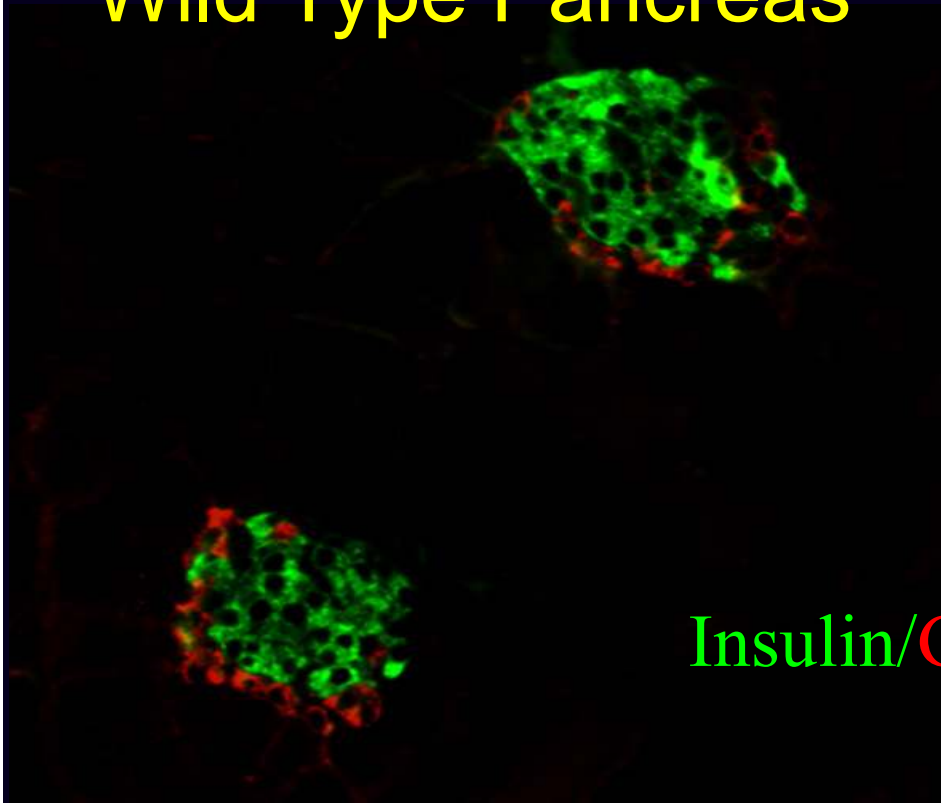


# $G\alpha_{i/o}$ Signaling: Increased



Wild Type Pancreas

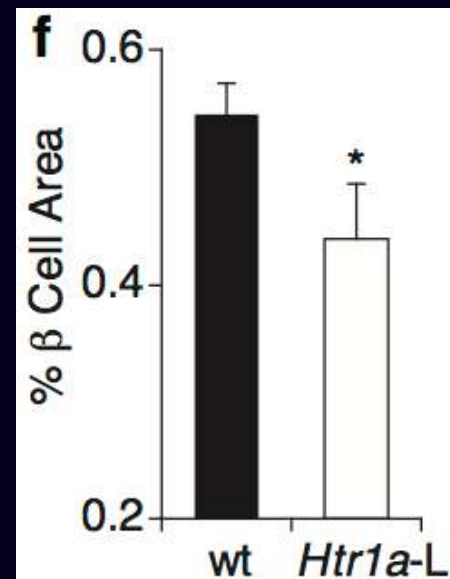
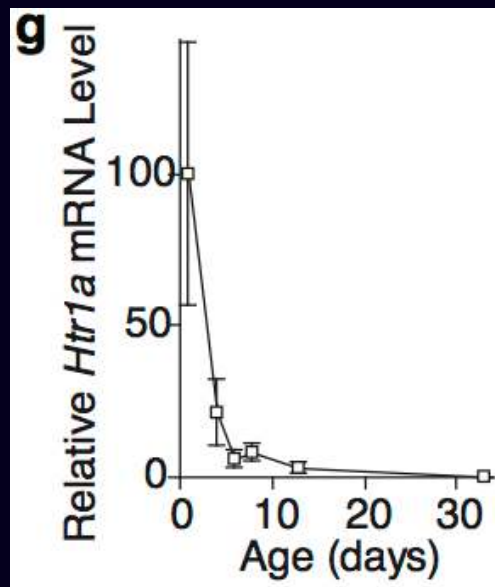
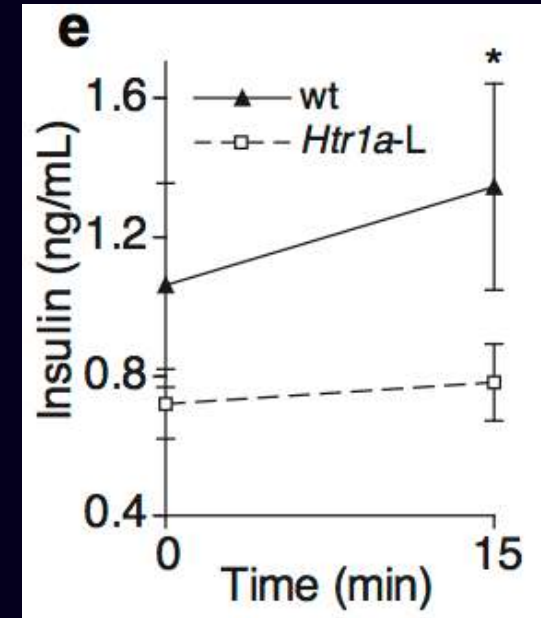
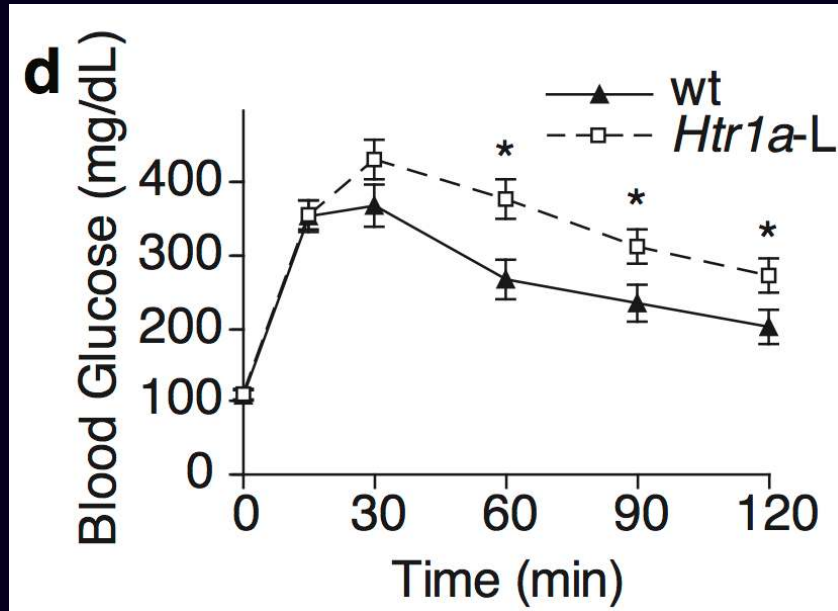
GiPCR Pancreas



Insulin/Glucagon

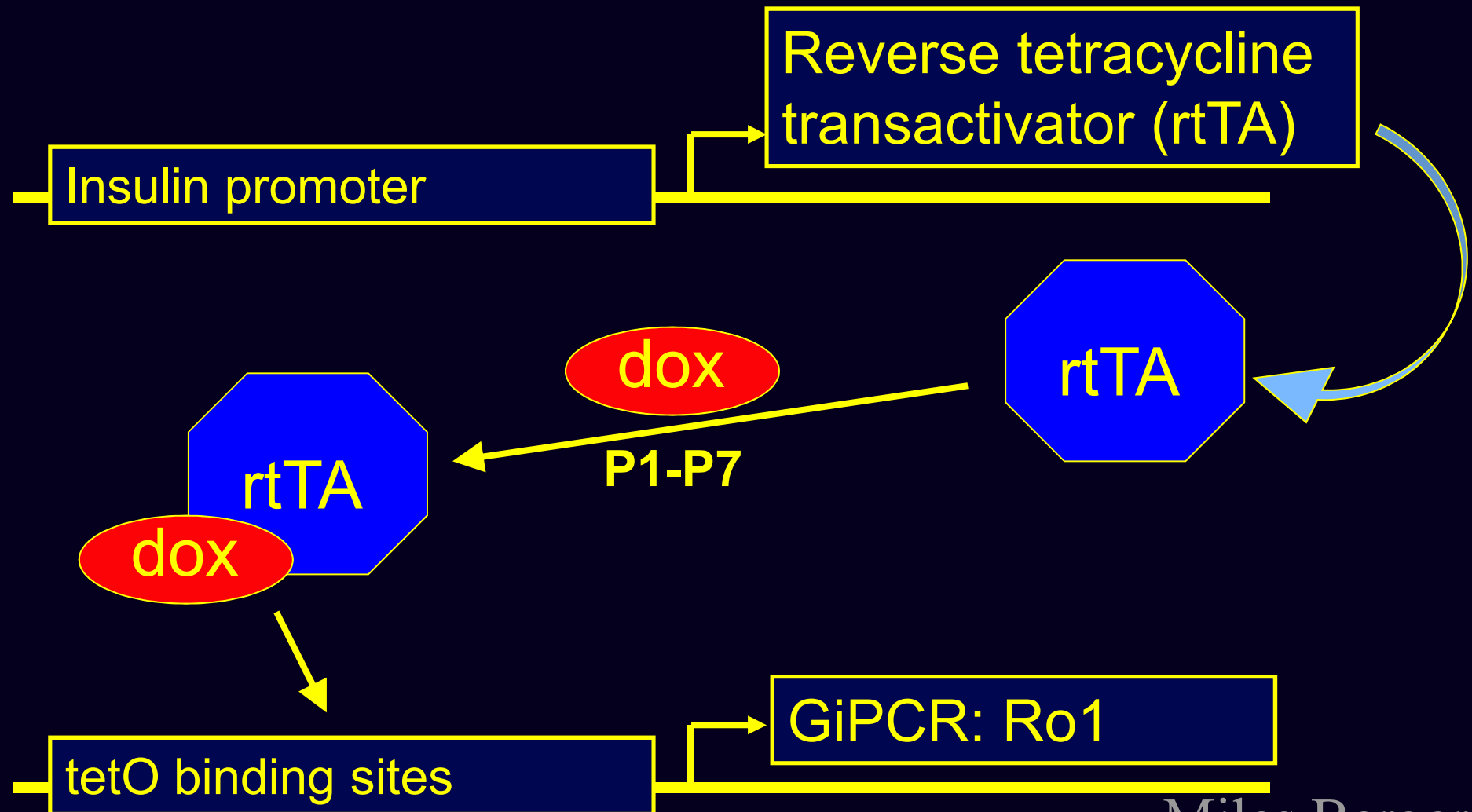
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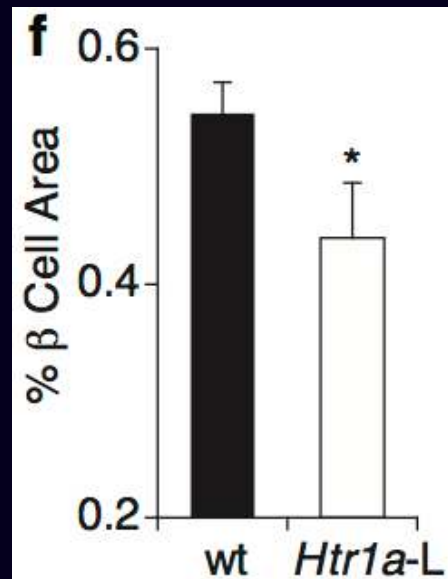
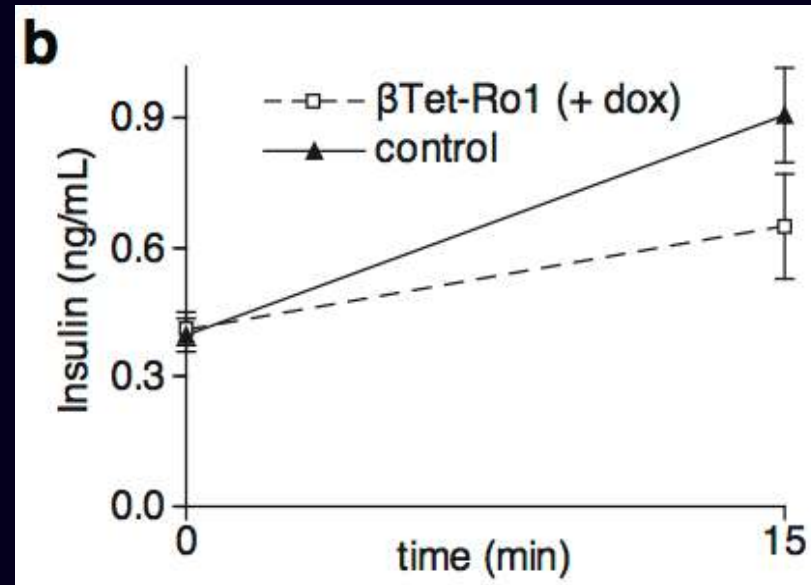
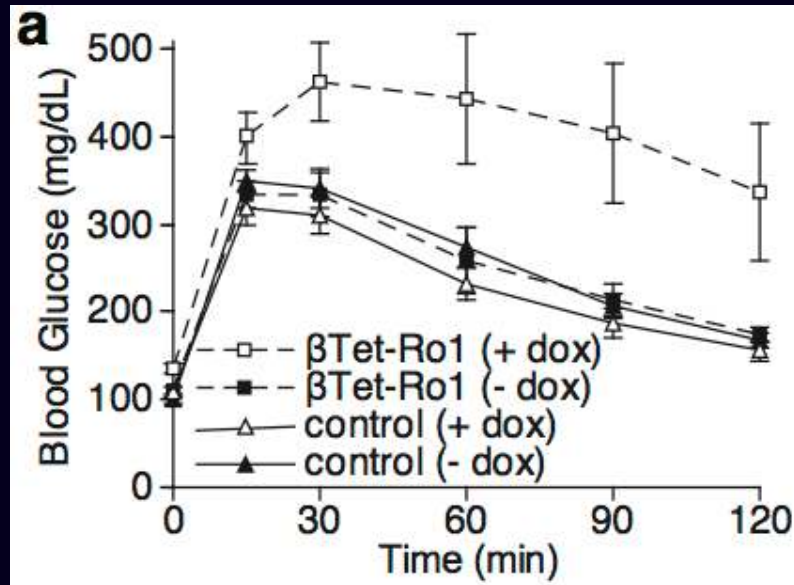
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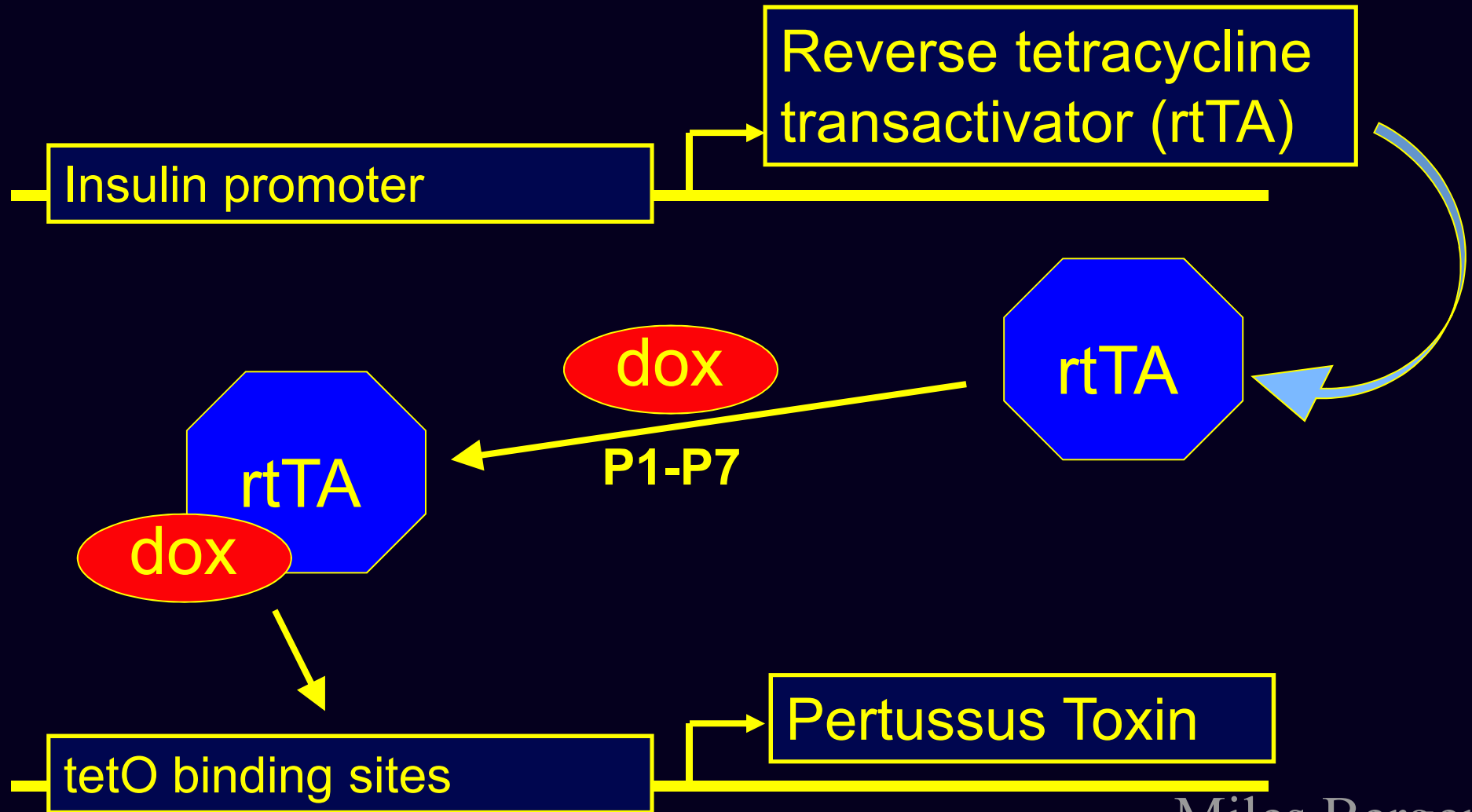
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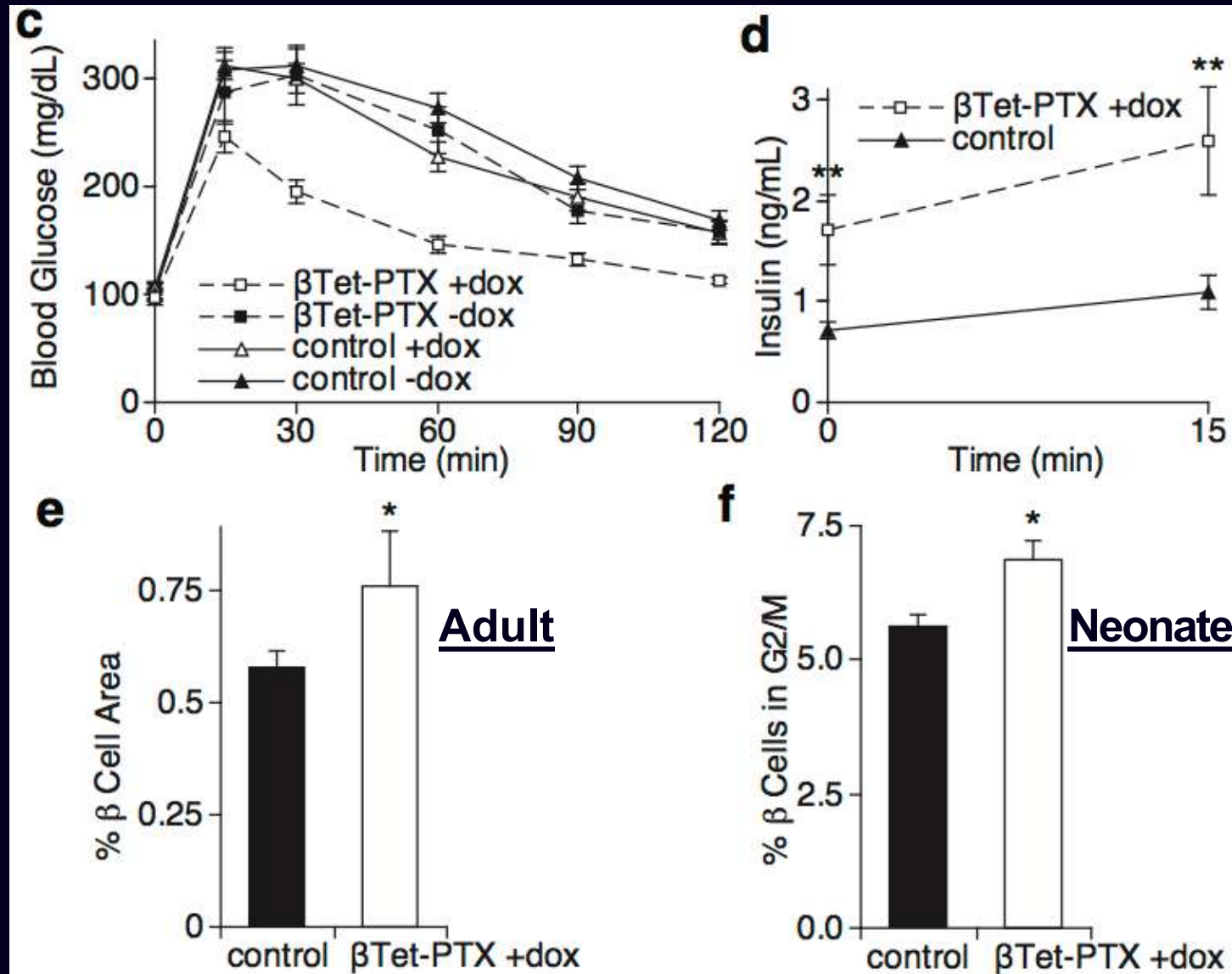
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# $G_{\alpha_{i/o}}$ Signaling



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# $G\alpha_{i/o}$ Signaling: Decreased



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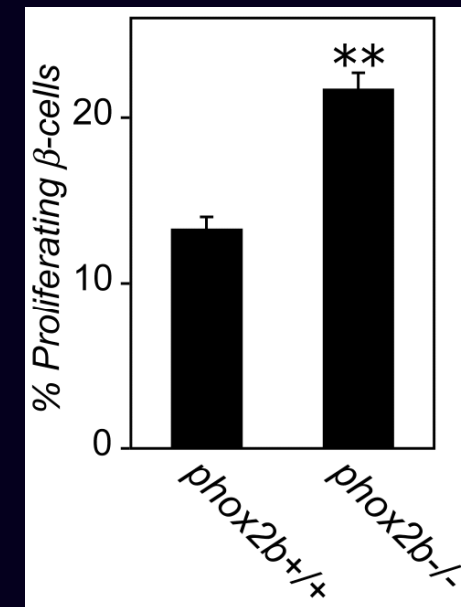
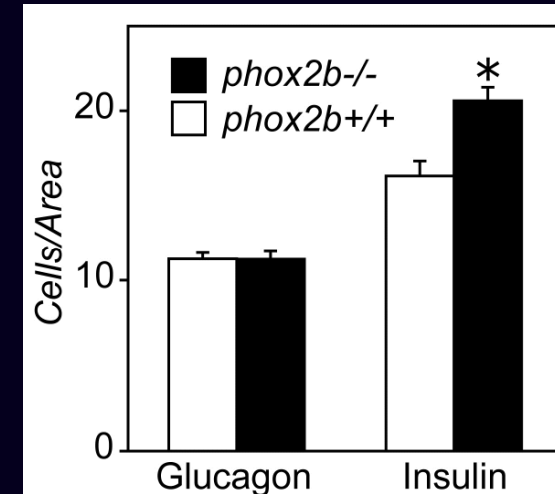
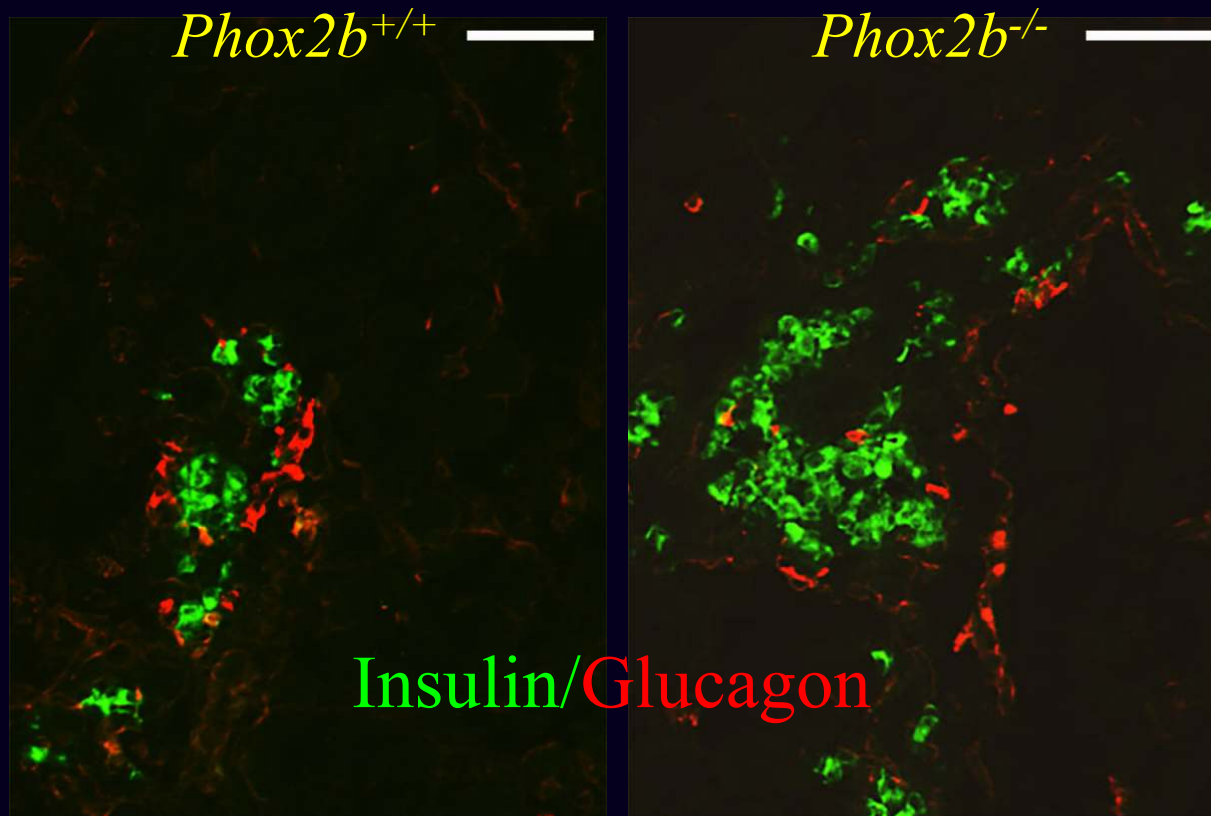


# $\beta$ -cell $G\alpha_{i/o}$ Receptors

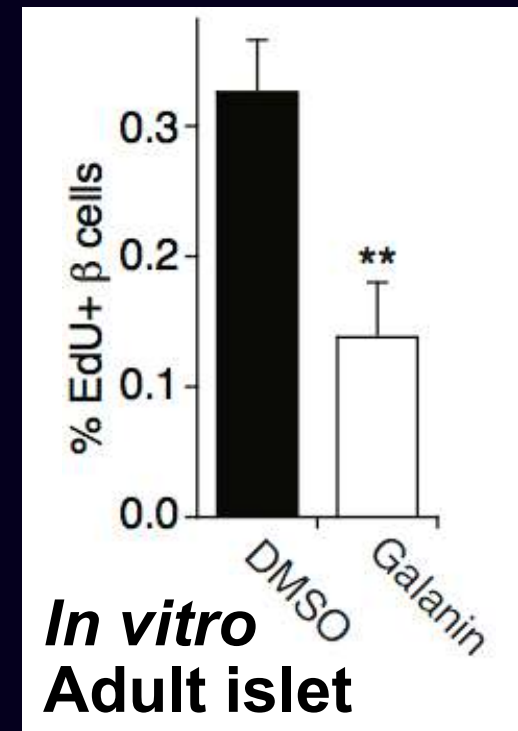
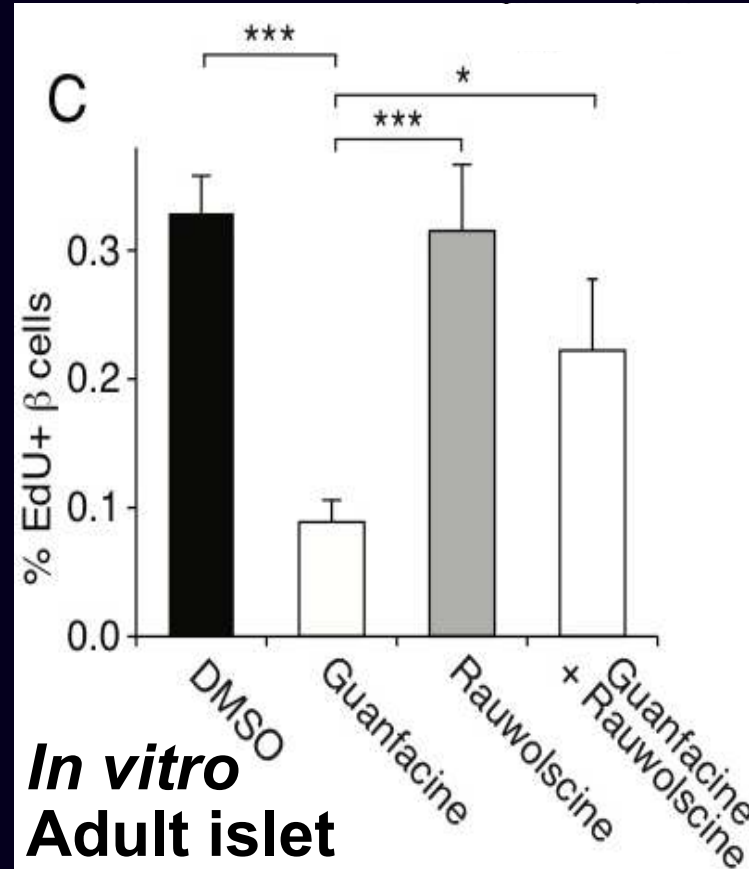
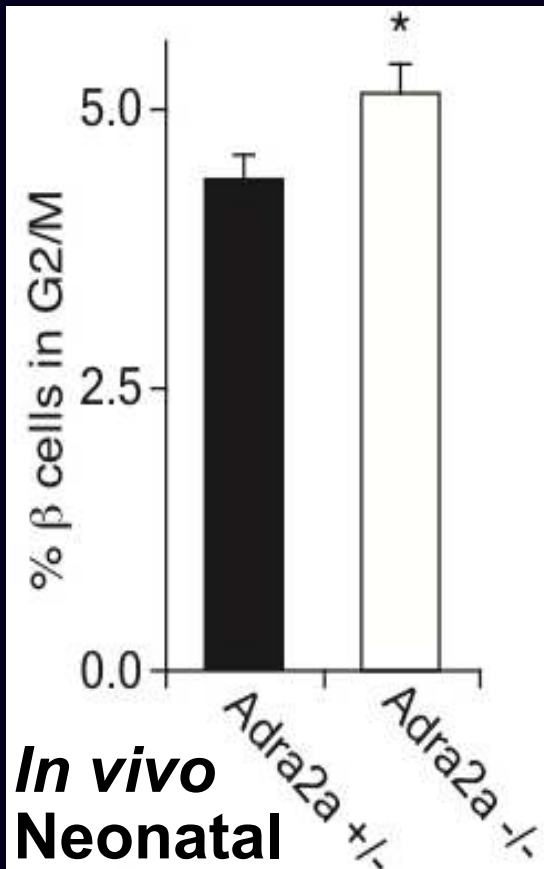
G $\alpha_{i/o}$ -linked GPCR Genes in $\beta$ Cells			
Gene	E18.5 by RT-PCR		Adult RPKM
	Mean	SEM	
<i>Cxcr6</i>	63.17	21.52	0.20
<i>Adra2a</i>	22.67	4.80	58.67
<i>Gabbr2</i>	10.17	2.94	15.98
<i>Aplnr</i>	6.29	0.74	0.12
<i>Galr1</i>	4.91	1.55	16.51
<i>Ccr9</i>	4.60	1.65	0.030
<i>Adora1</i>	3.53	0.43	1.27
<i>Sstr3</i>	2.78	0.28	44.56
<i>Gpr19</i>	2.74	0.88	0.60
<i>S1pr1</i>	2.12	0.33	0.15
<i>P2ry2</i>	2.03	0.96	0.015
<i>Niacr1</i>	1.90	1.06	0.78
<i>Gpr183</i>	1.83	0.26	0.067
<i>Gabbr1</i>	1.66	0.45	4.06
<i>Ednra</i>	1.61	0.46	0.031
<i>Ffar3</i>	1.50	0.49	6.22
<i>Ptger3</i>	1.18	0.24	6.35
<i>Casr</i>	1.07	0.18	23.25

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# Neural Regulation of $\beta$ Cell Mass



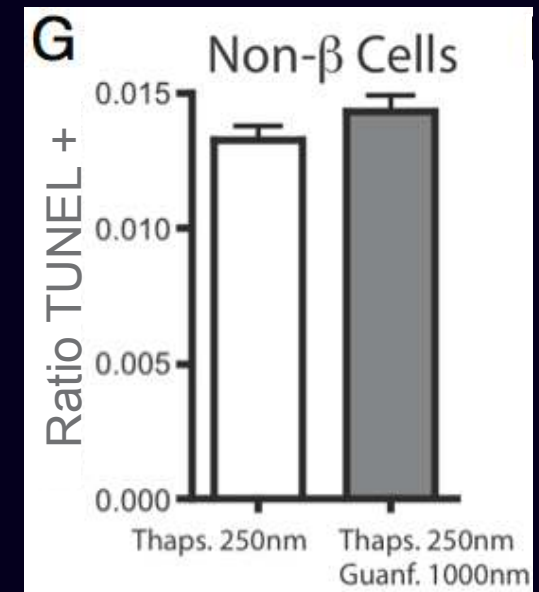
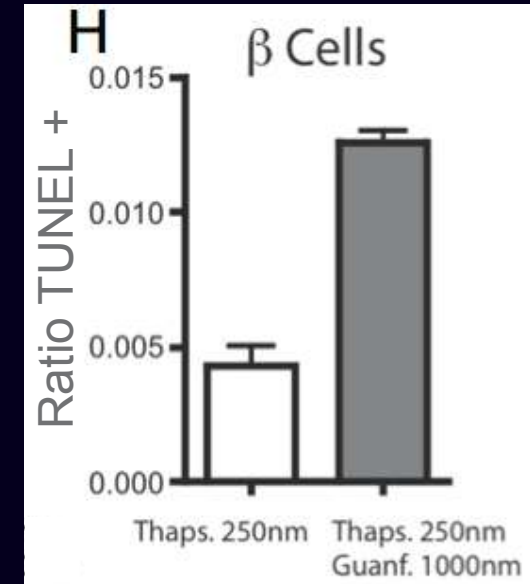
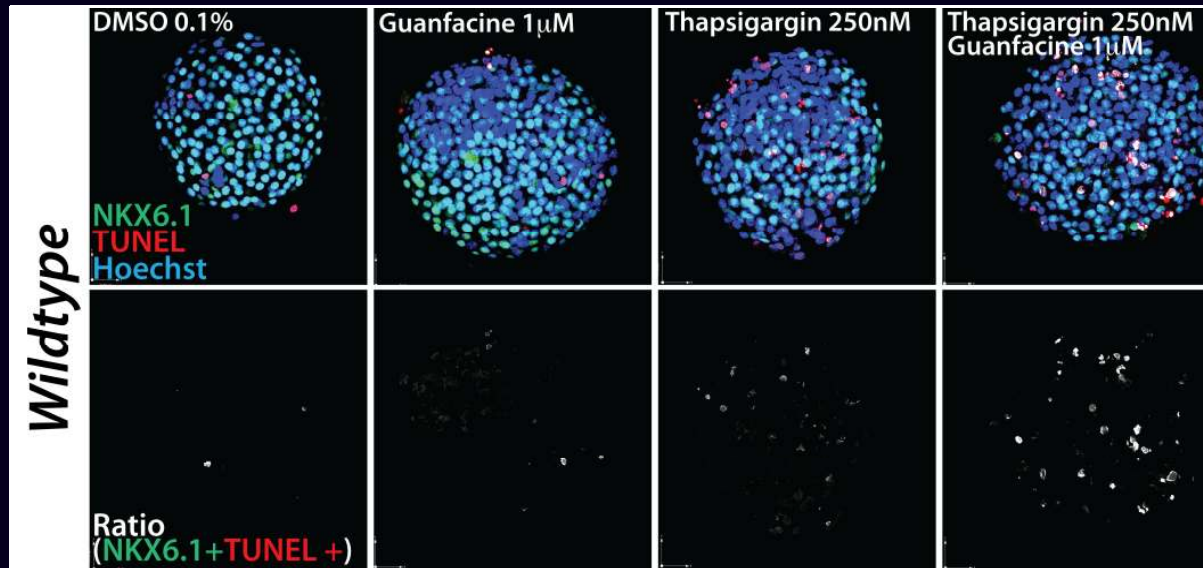
# Sympathetic Signals Inhibit Proliferation



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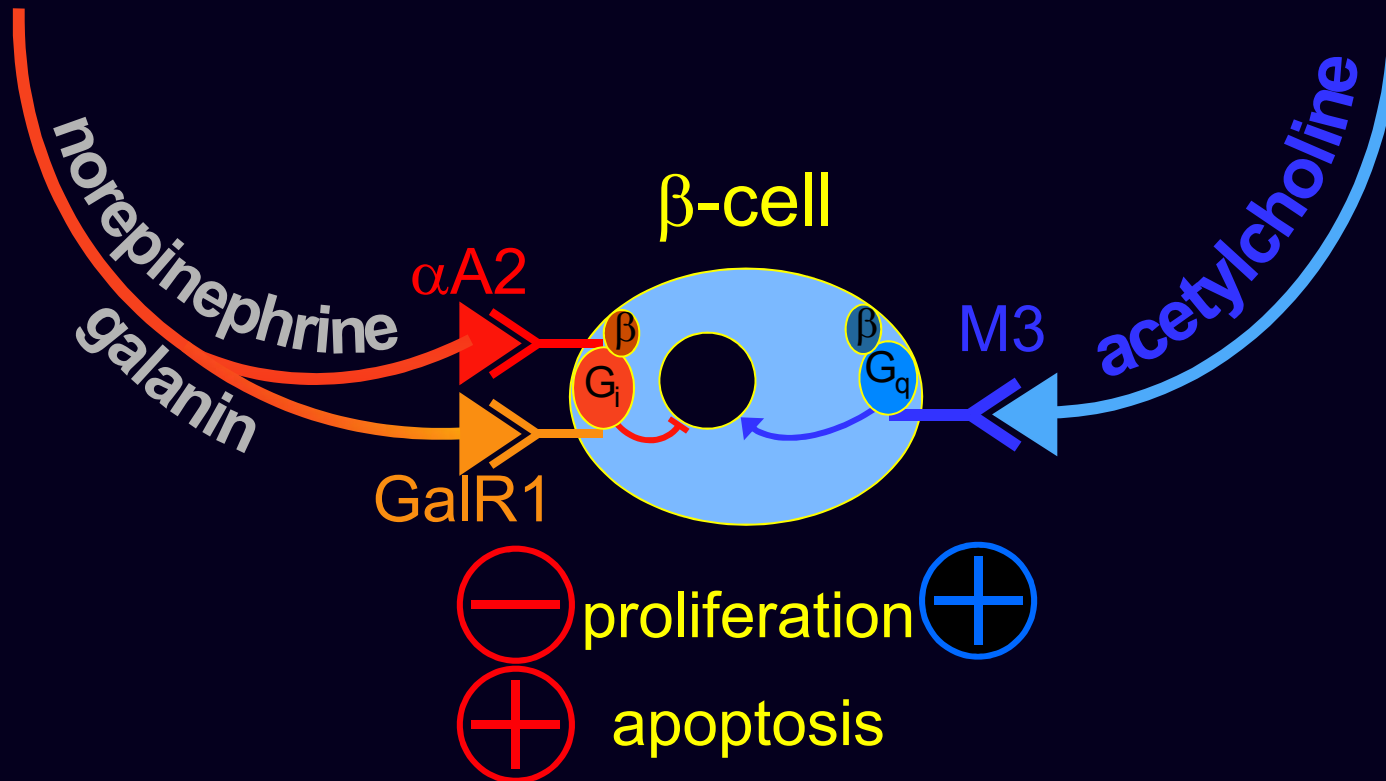
# $Ga_{i/o}$ Signals Induce Apoptosis



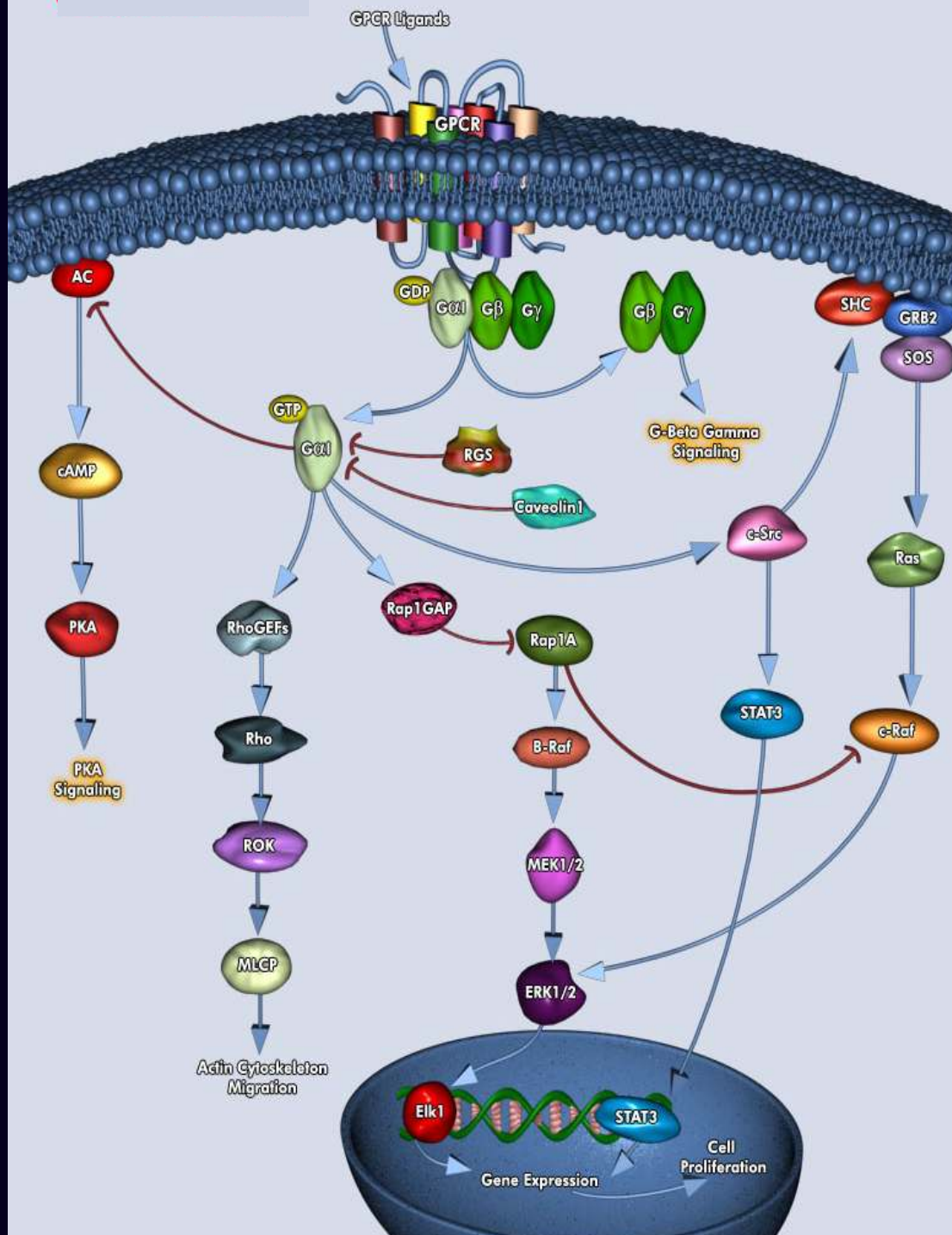
# Neural Regulation of $\beta$ -cell Proliferation

Sympathetic Neurons

Parasympathetic Neurons



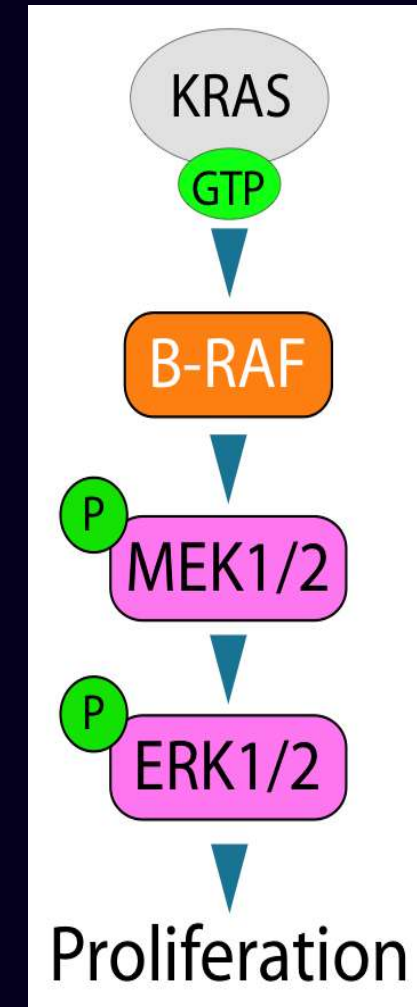
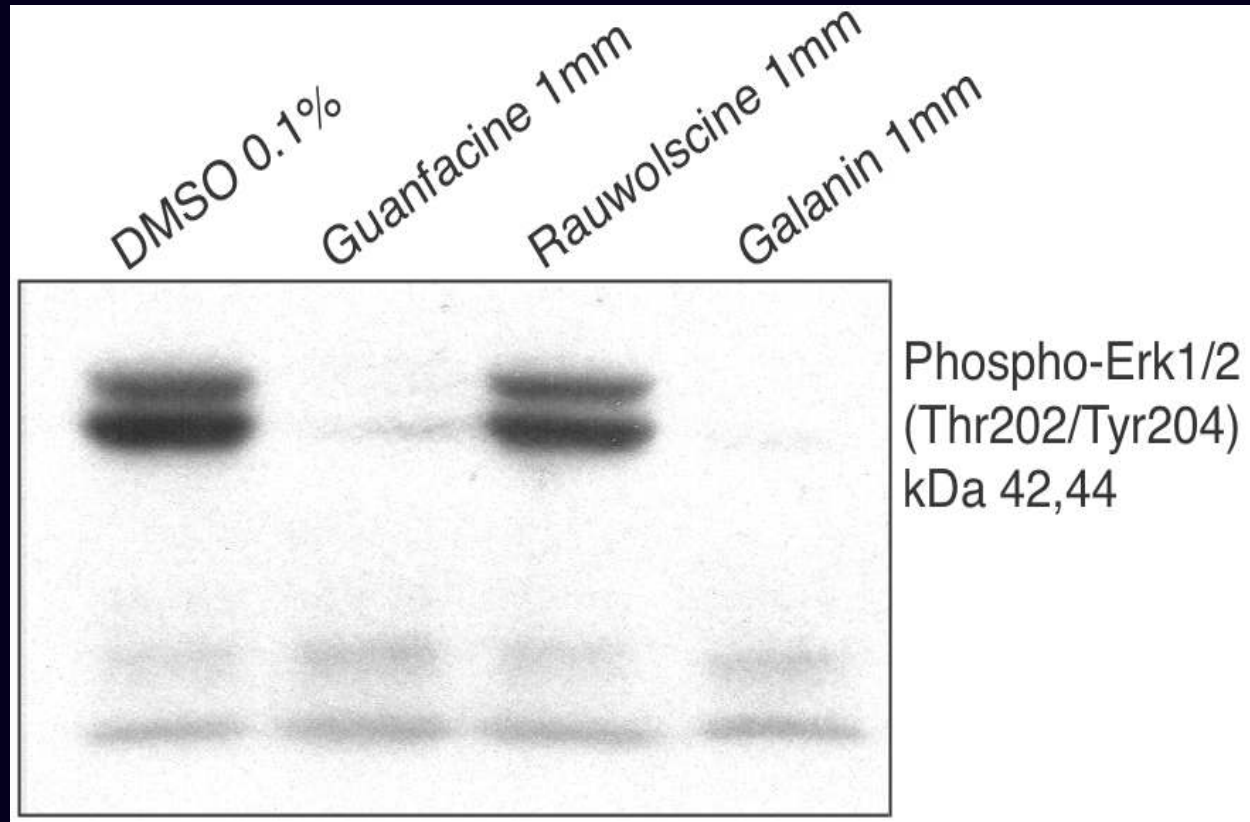
# $G\alpha_{i/o}$ Signaling



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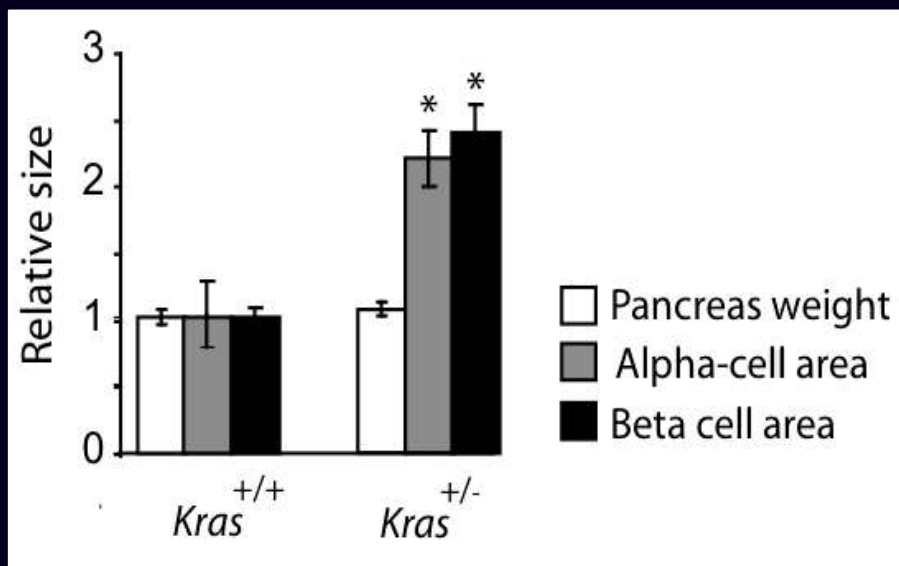
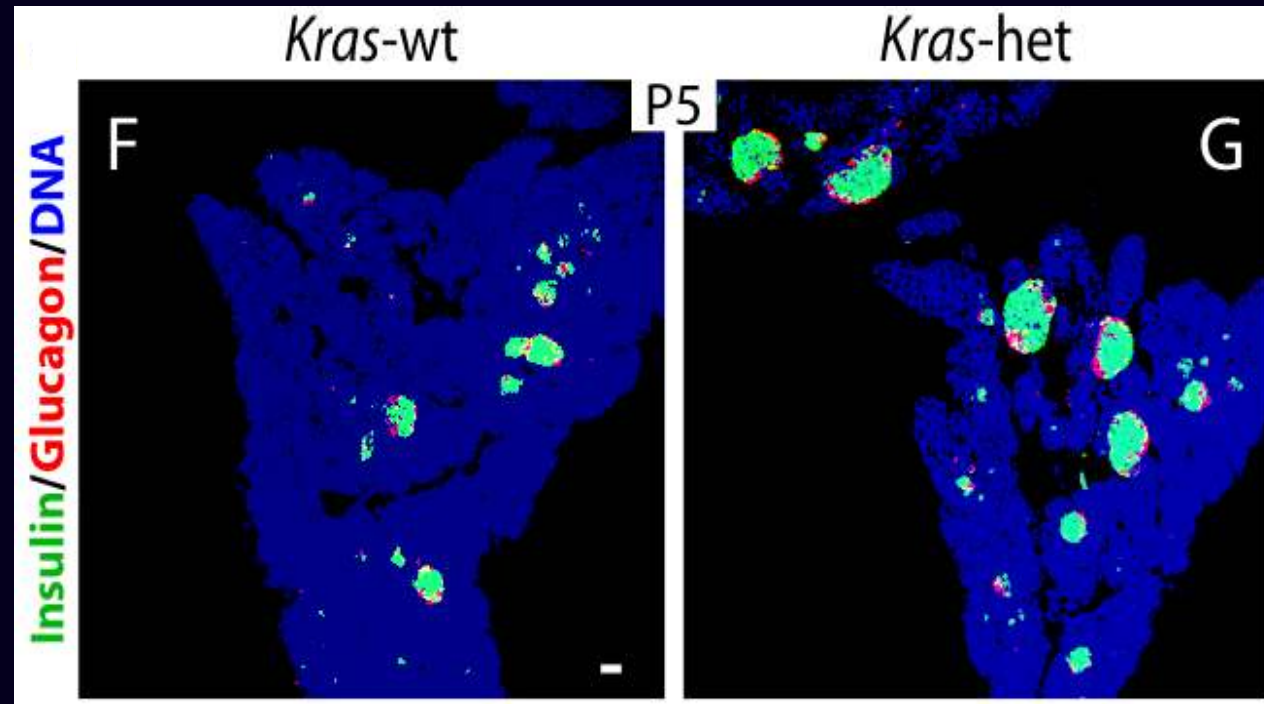
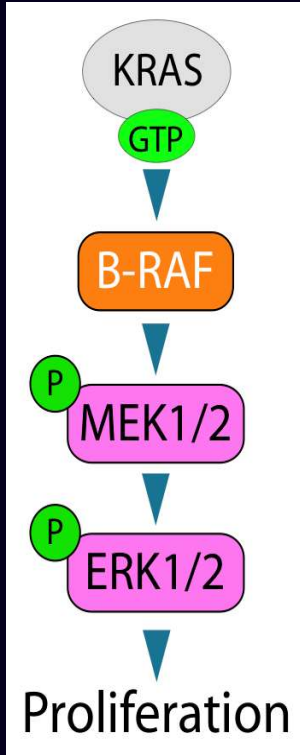


# Ga<sub>i/o</sub> Signaling in the $\beta$ Cell



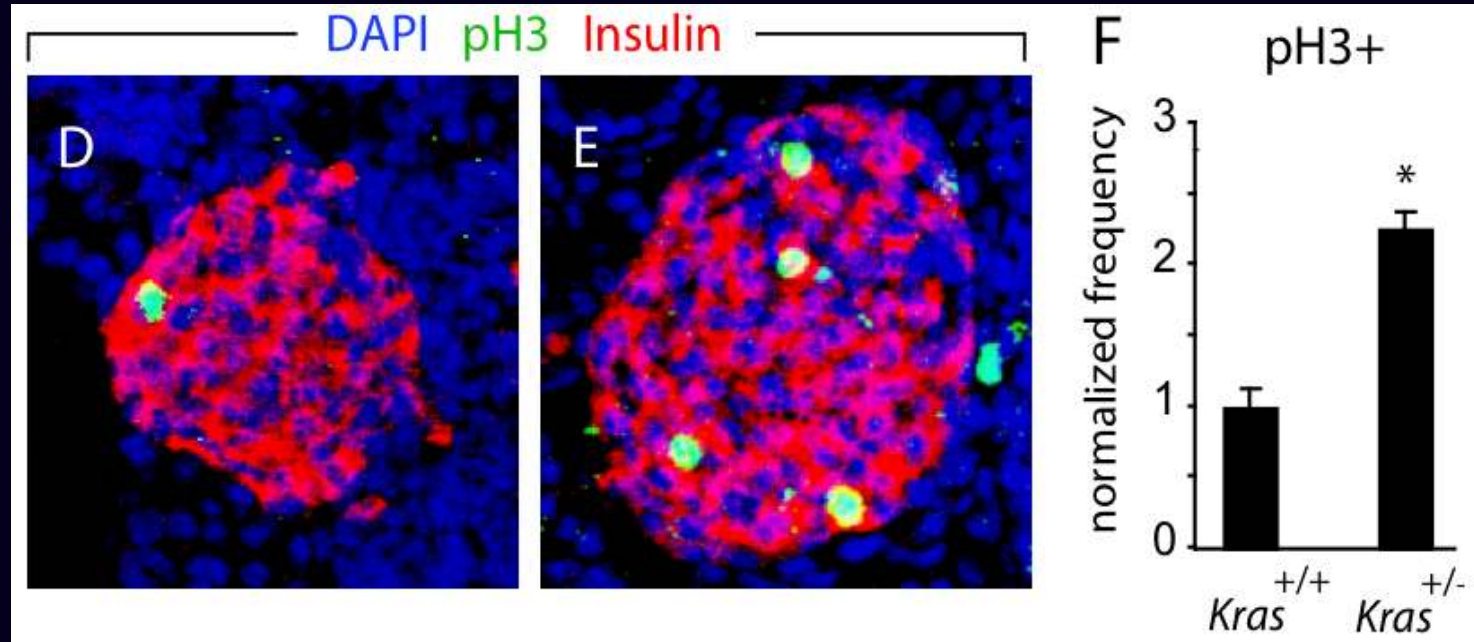
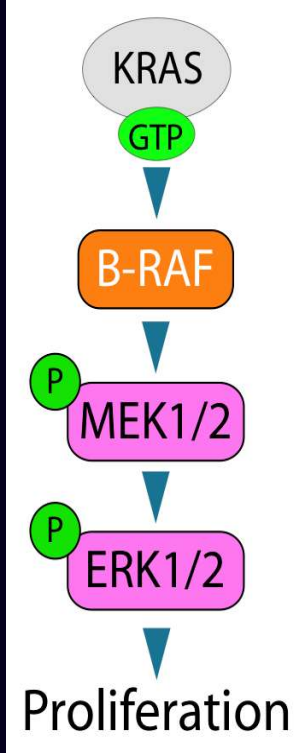
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# K-Ras in the $\beta$ Cell



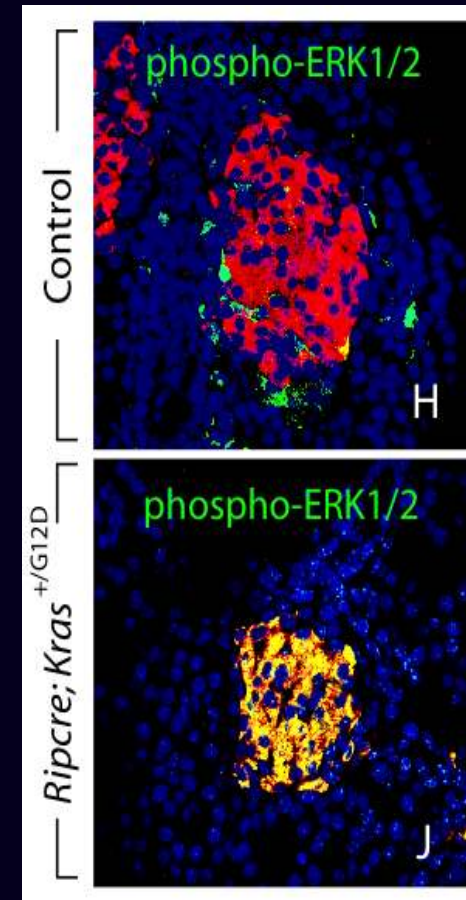
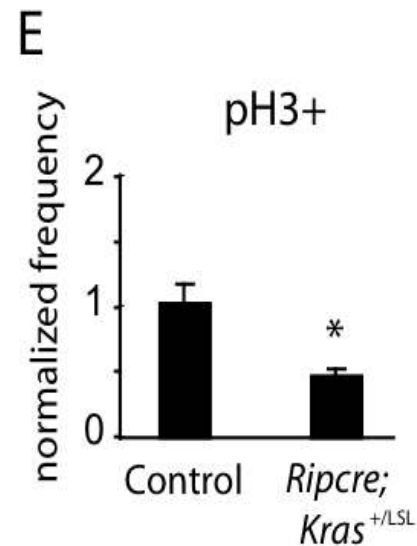
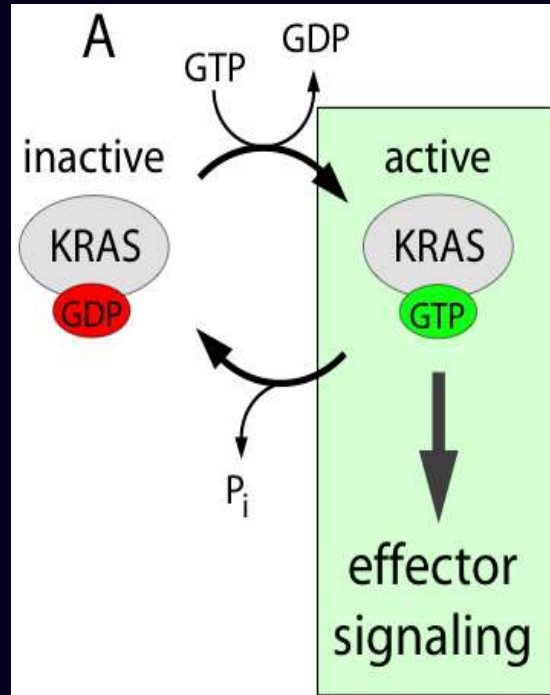
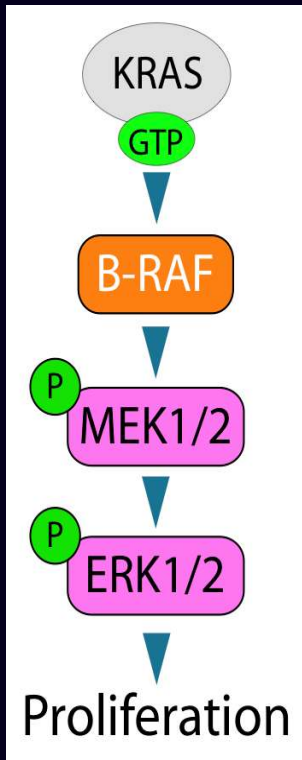
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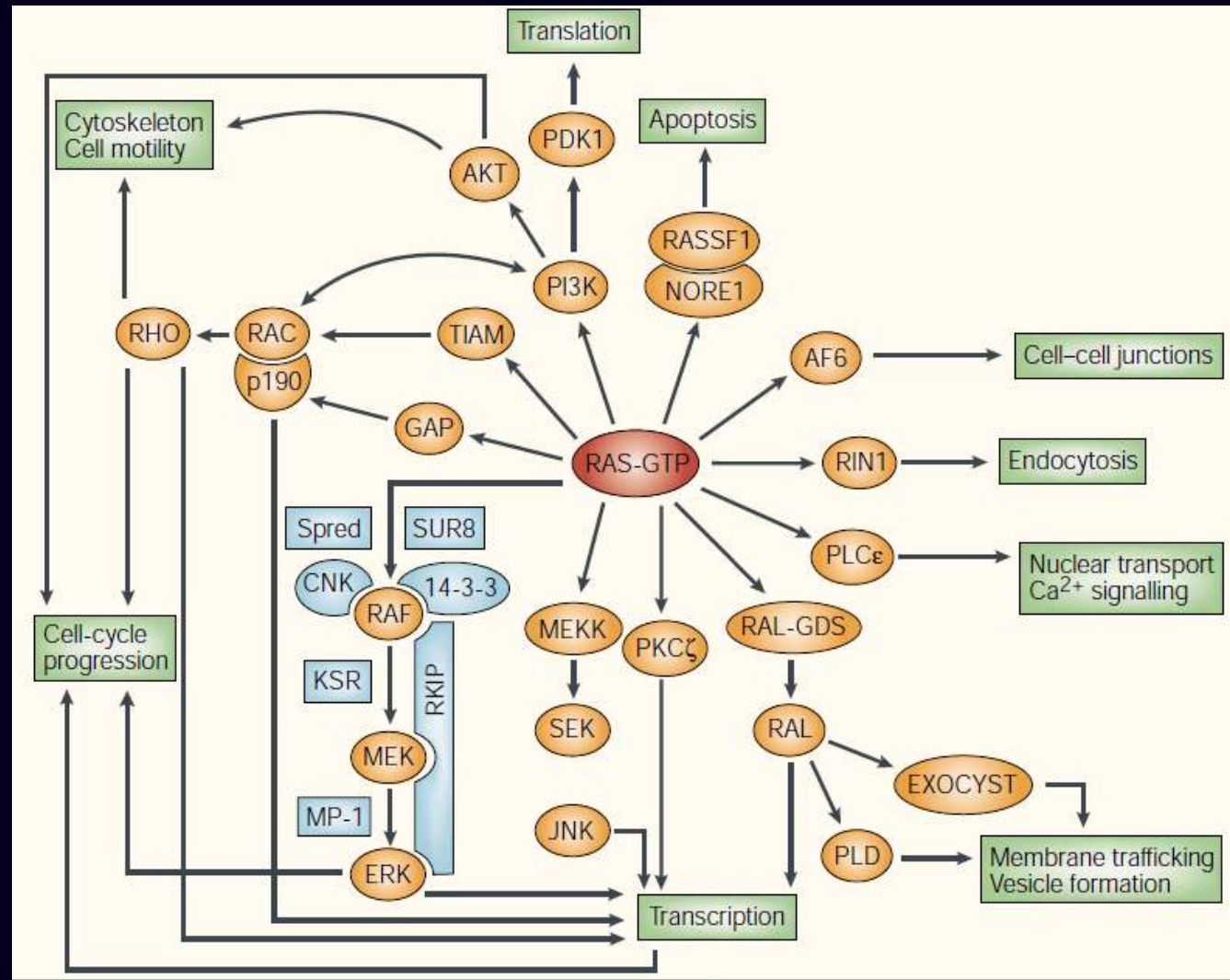
# K-Ras in the $\beta$ Cell



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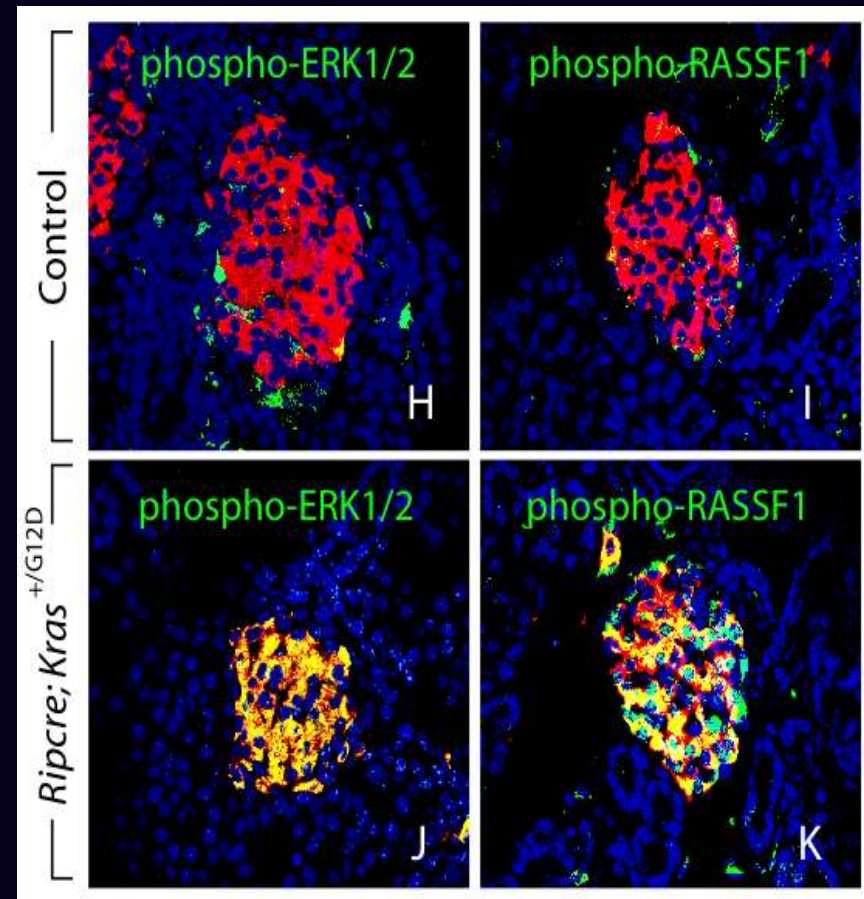
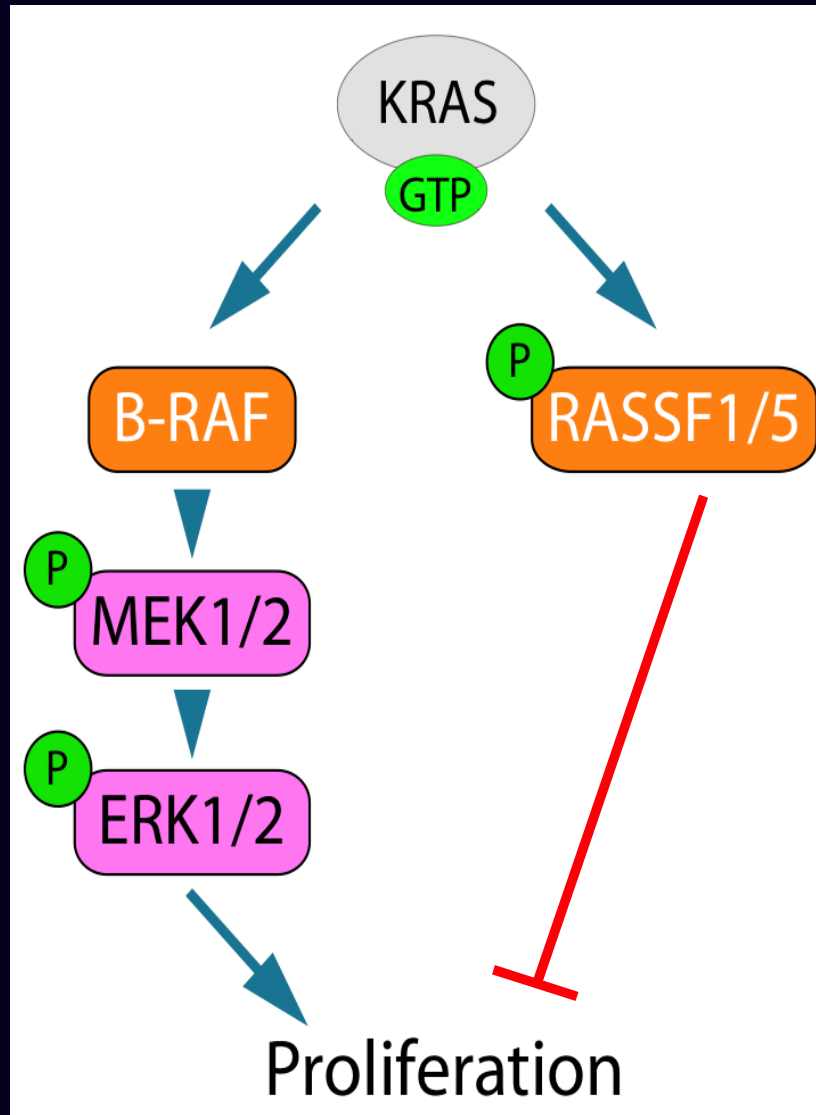


# K-Ras activates diverse effector pathways



Malumbres and Barbacid, *Nature Reviews Cancer* 2002

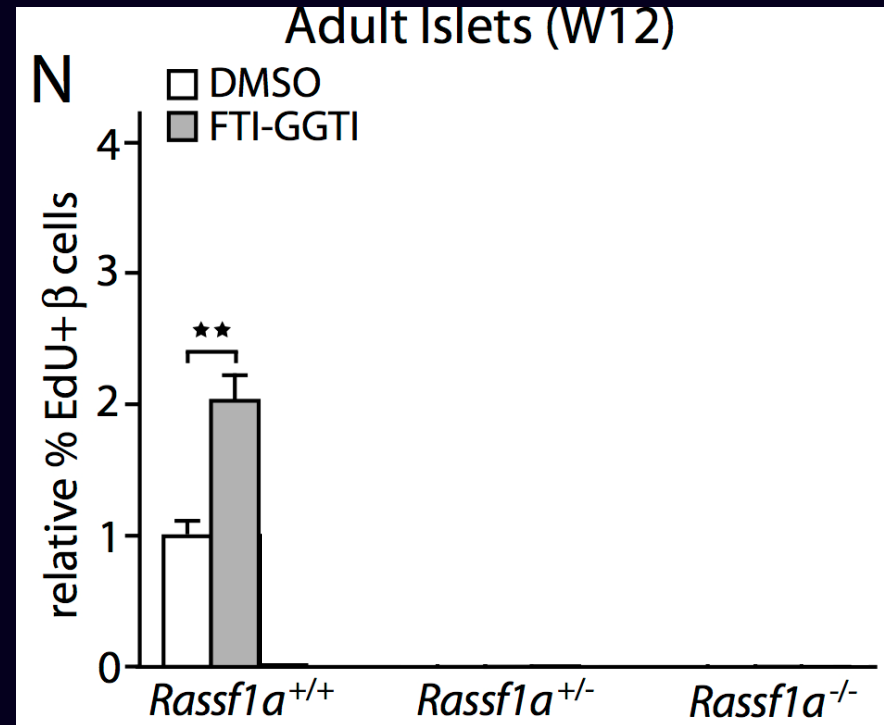
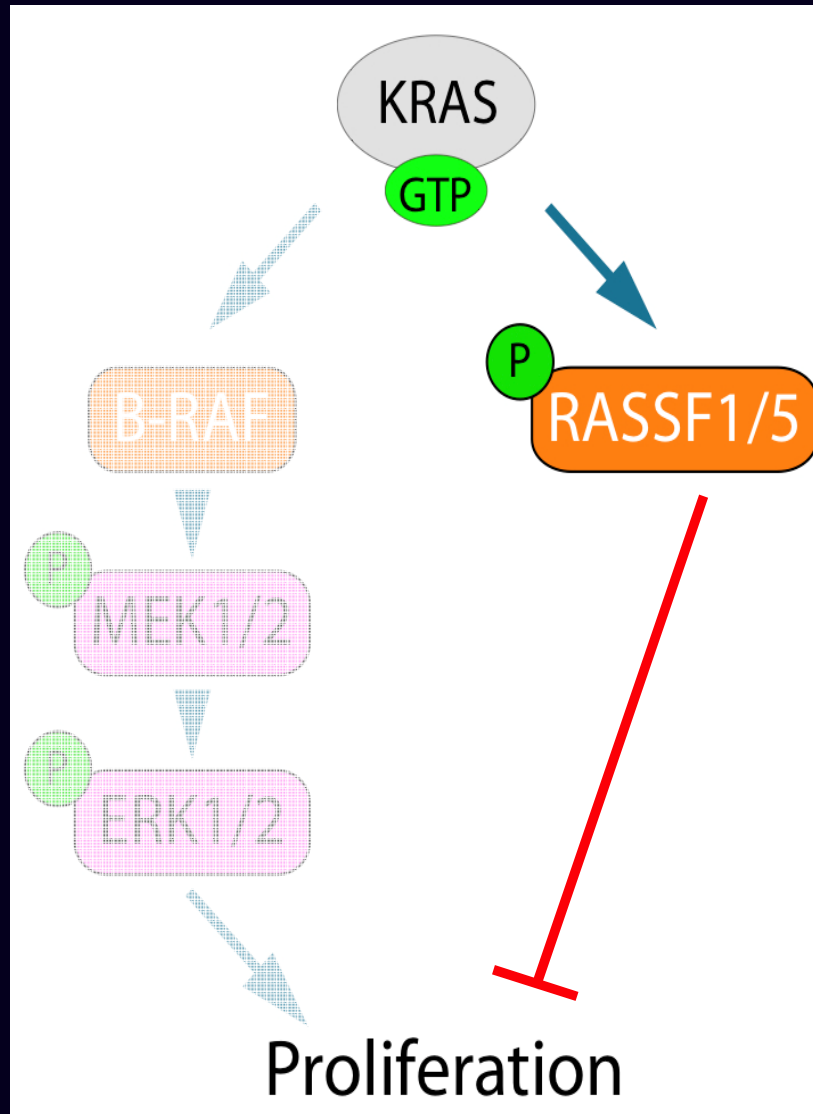
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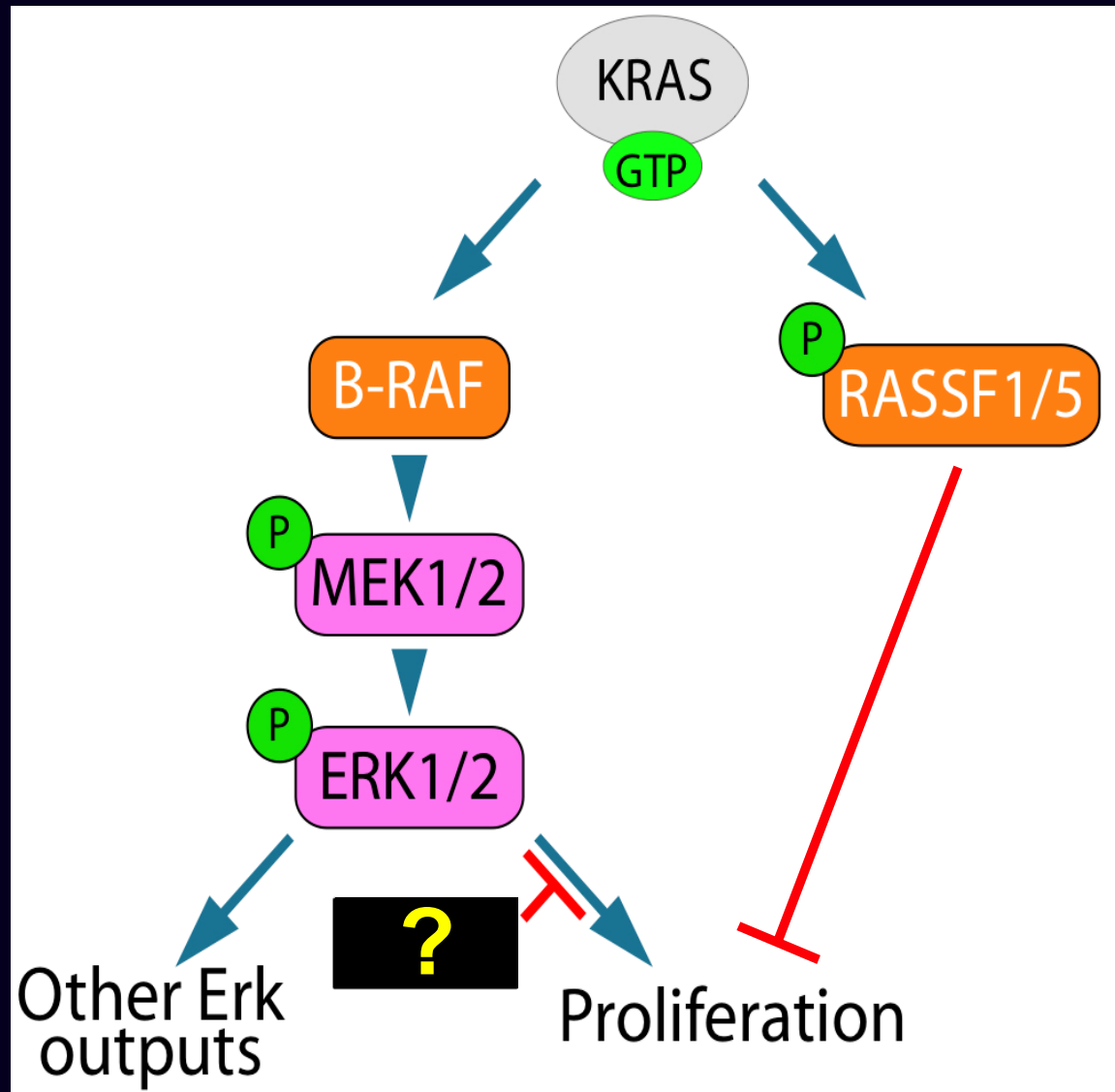


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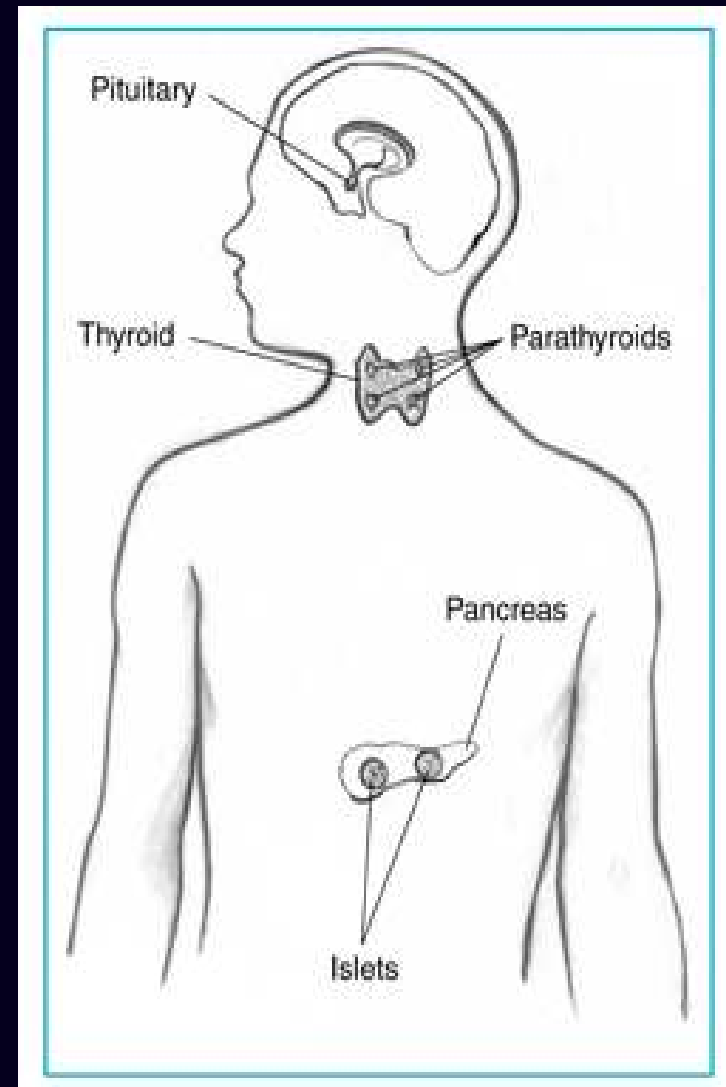
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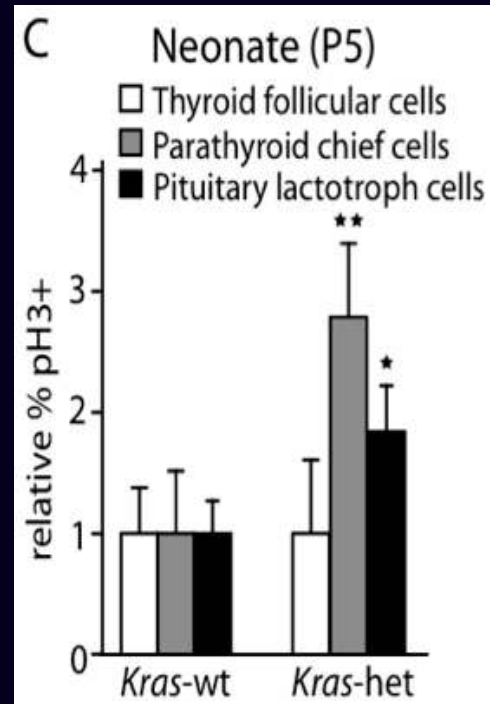
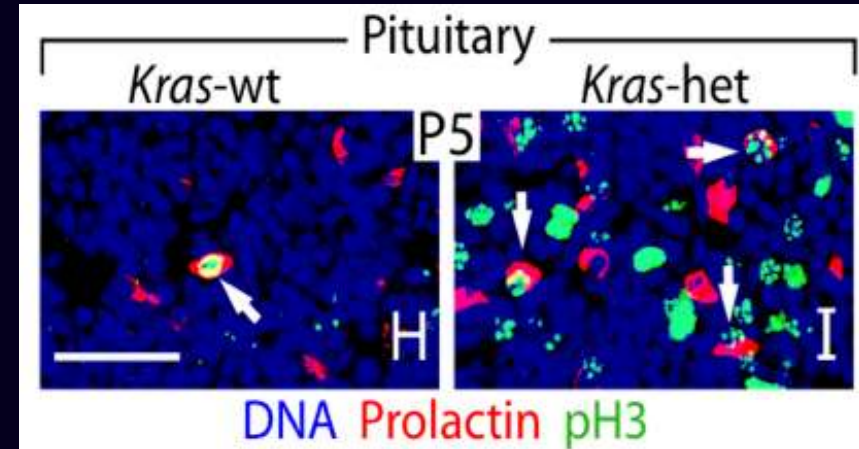
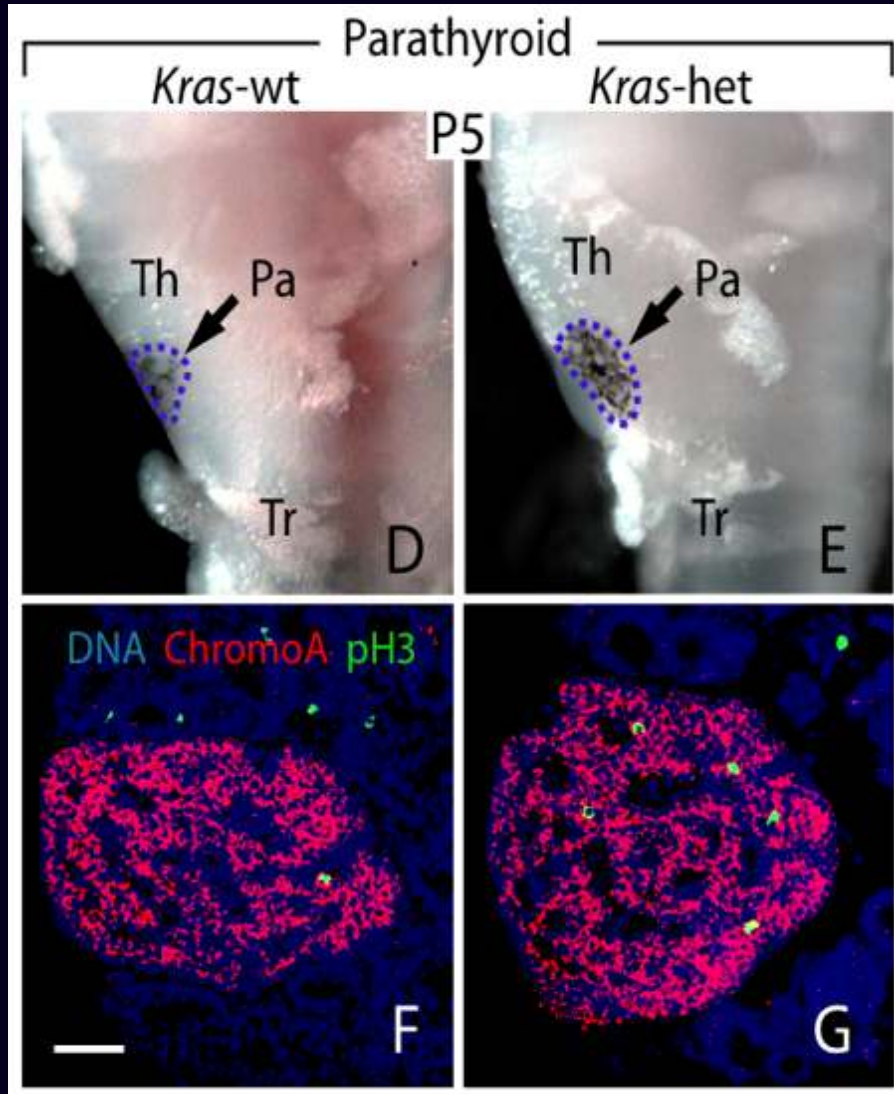


# Multiple Endocrine Neoplasia Type 1

Autosomal dominant endocrine familial tumor syndrome characterized by tumors of the pancreatic islets (gastrinomas and insulinomas), parathyroids, pituitary, and adrenal cortex and less commonly other neuroendocrine tumors caused by heterozygous inactivating mutations of the *MEN1* gene, which encodes the endocrine tumor suppressor Menin.

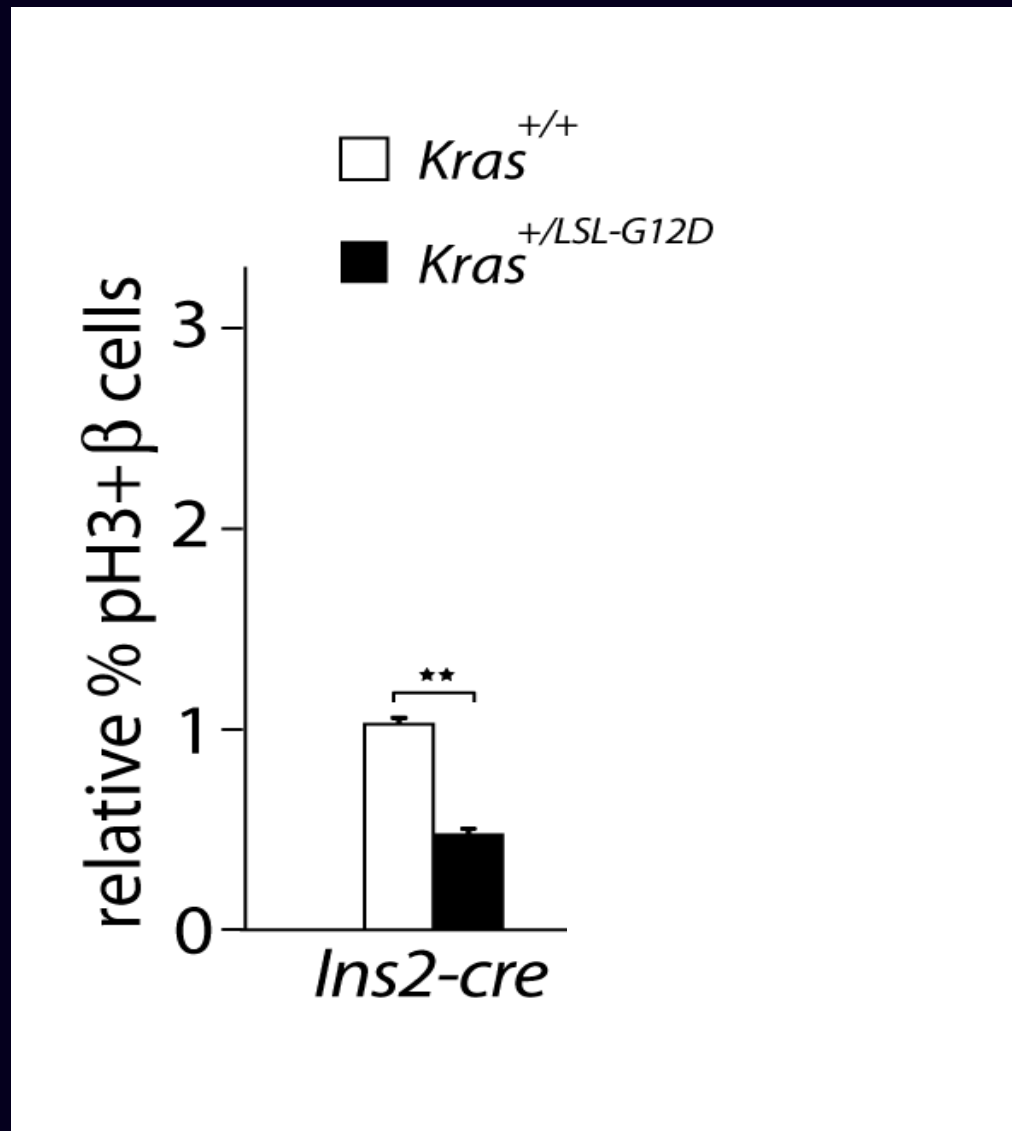


# K-Ras in Menin-Sensitive Tissues



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# Menin Controls Kras Outputs

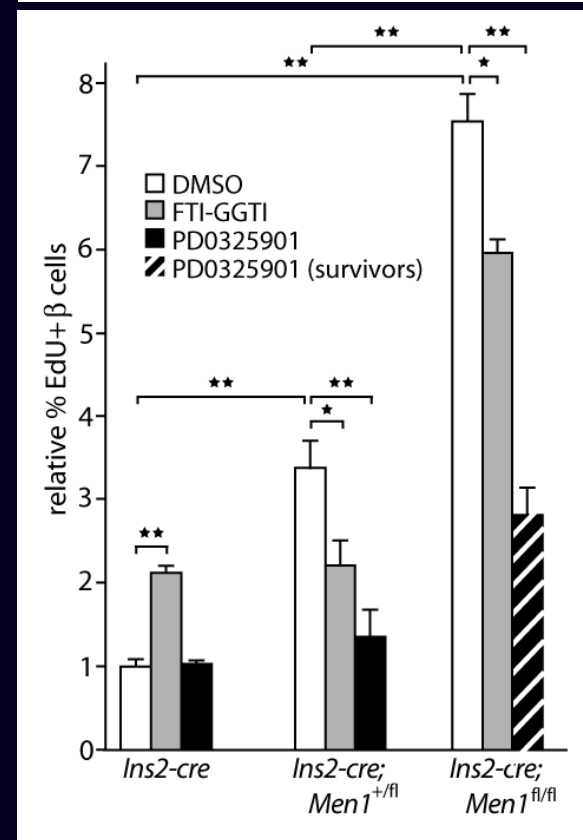
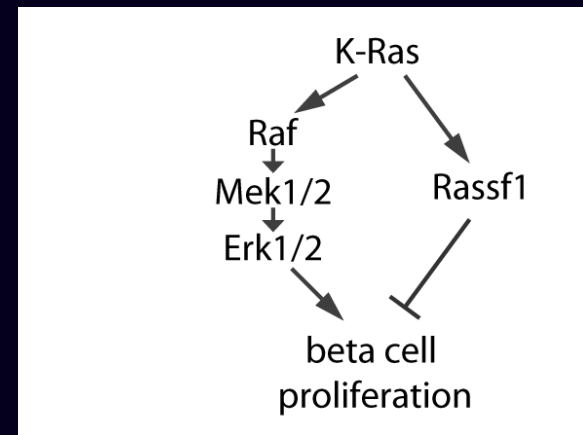
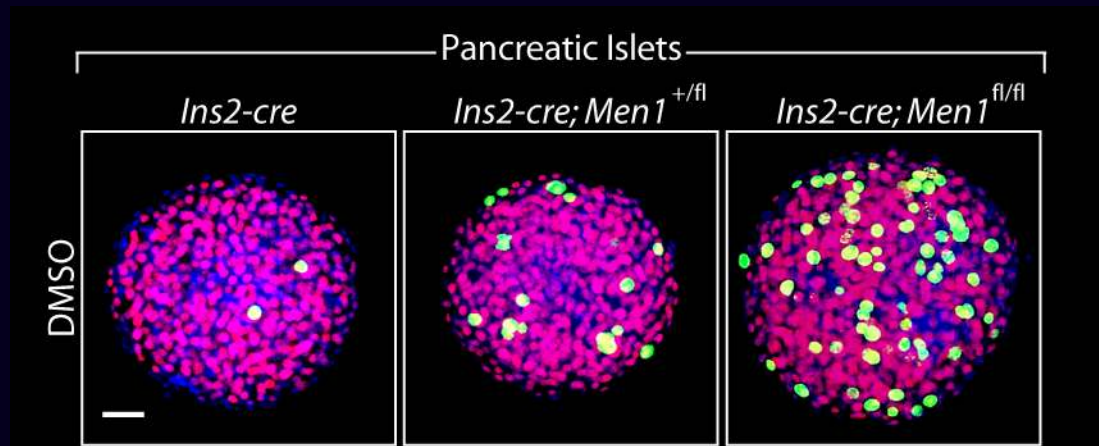


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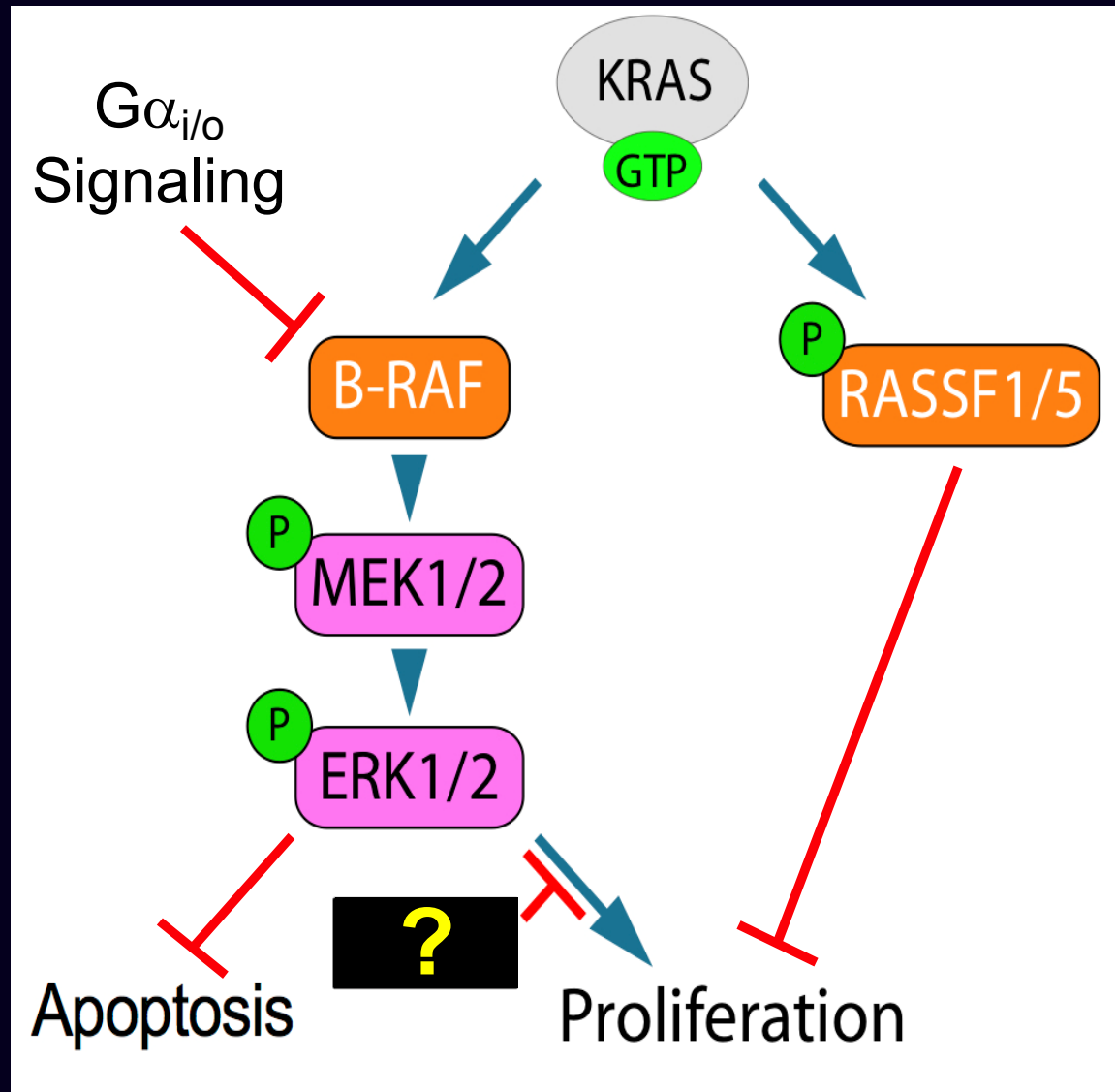
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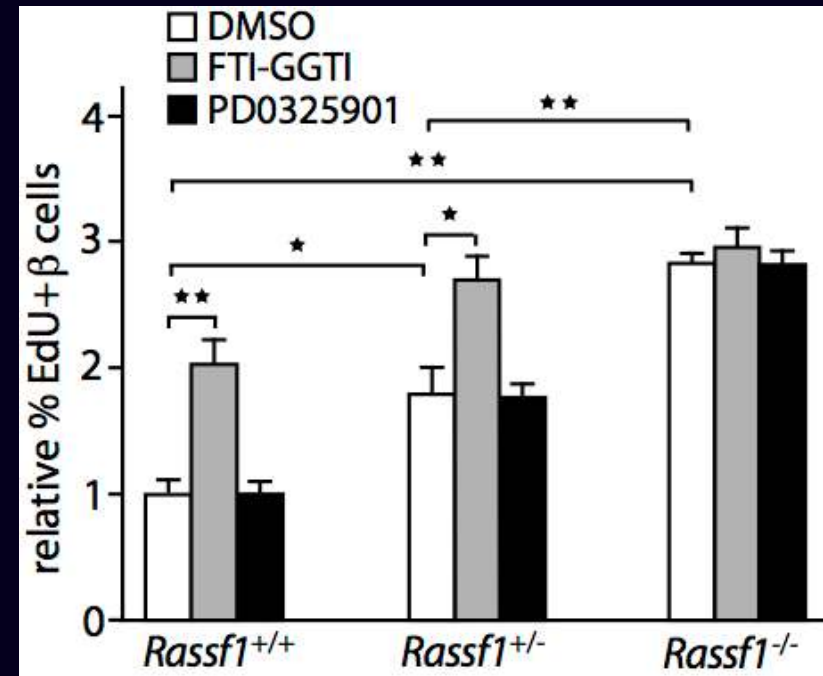
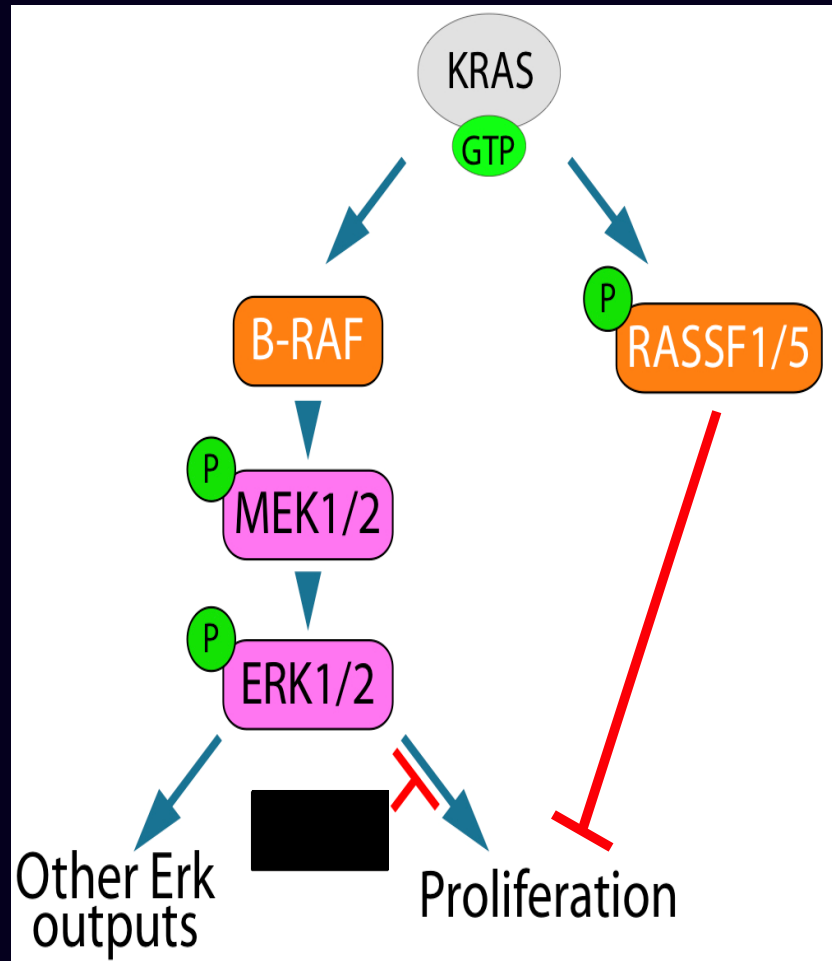


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# K-Ras in the $\beta$ Cell



# RASSF1 Inhibits Proliferation Downstream of Kras



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# Summary

- During pregnancy, lactogenic hormones drive  $\beta$  cell serotonin production, which in turn drives  $\beta$  cell expansion.
- $G_{\alpha_{i/o}}$  signals, including sympathetic signaling receptors and Htr1d, block proliferation and induce apoptosis in  $\beta$  cells.
- Alterations in perinatal  $\beta$  cell proliferation have long term effects on  $\beta$  cell mass.
- Kras signaling paradoxically inhibits  $\beta$ -cell proliferation.
- Menin acts as a gatekeeper of MAPK regulation of  $\beta$ -cell proliferation.
- These pathways have consequences for the role of genes, drugs, and stress in type 1 and 2 diabetes and gestational diabetes.



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