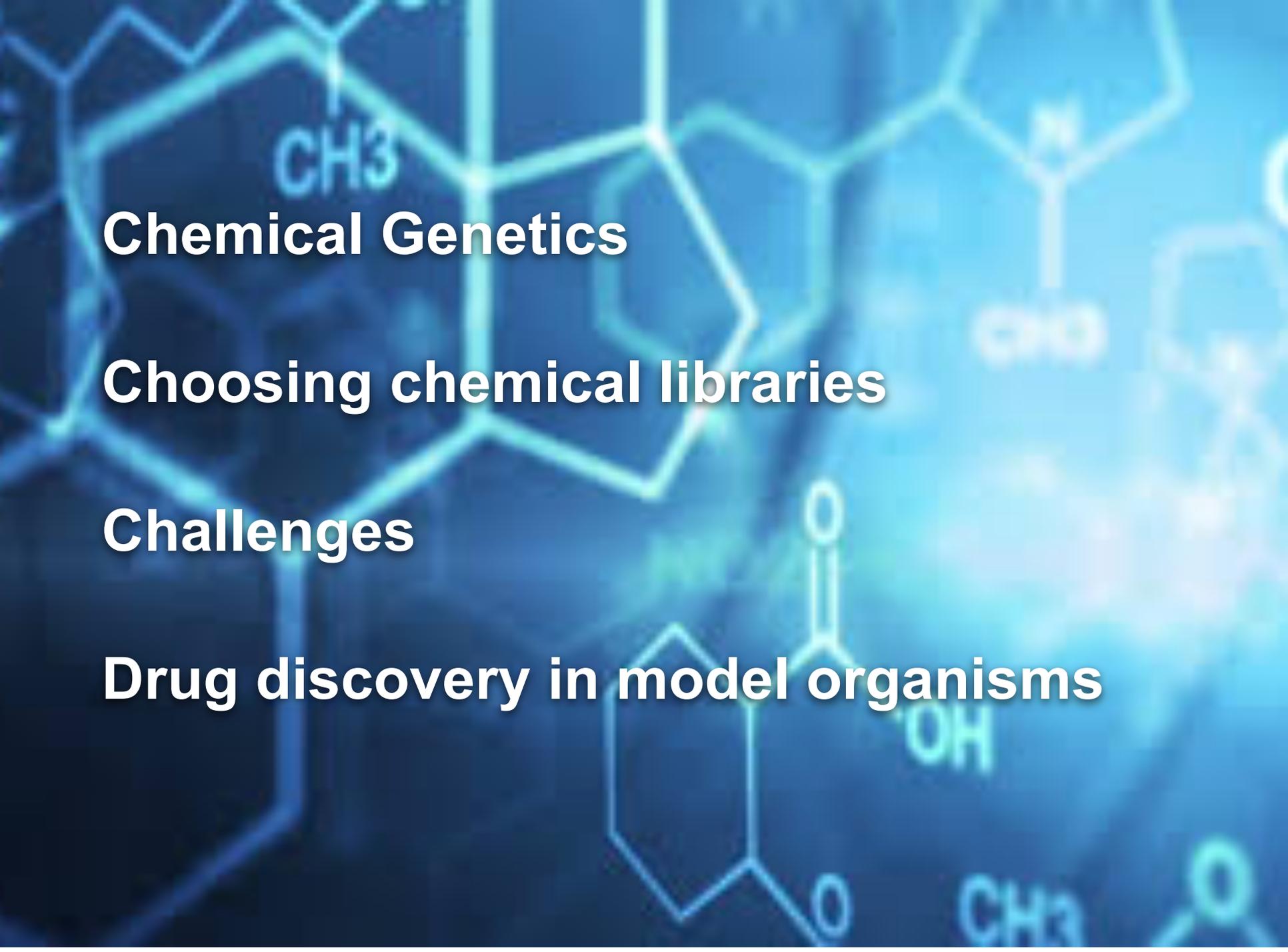
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Chemical Genomics

William Richards & Austin Pier

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Chemical Genetics

Choosing chemical libraries

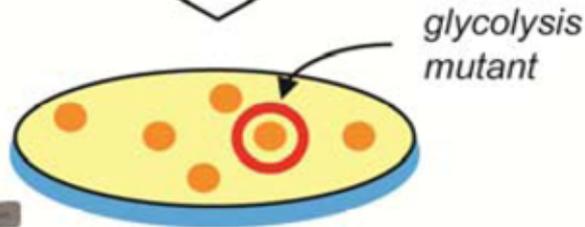
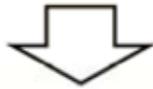
Challenges

Drug discovery in model organisms

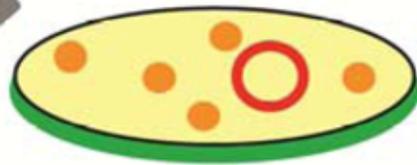
What is chemical genetics?

FORWARD GENETICS

Mutagenized culture

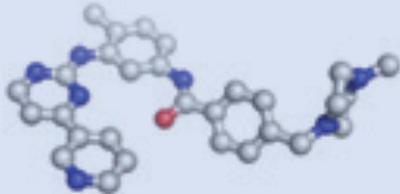


replica
plate



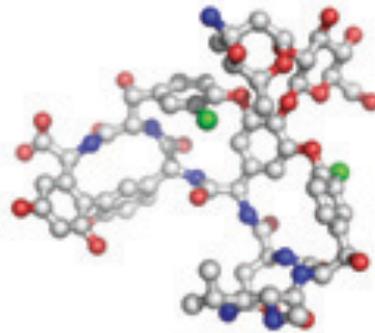
Gene identification
(Complementation)

What are small molecules?



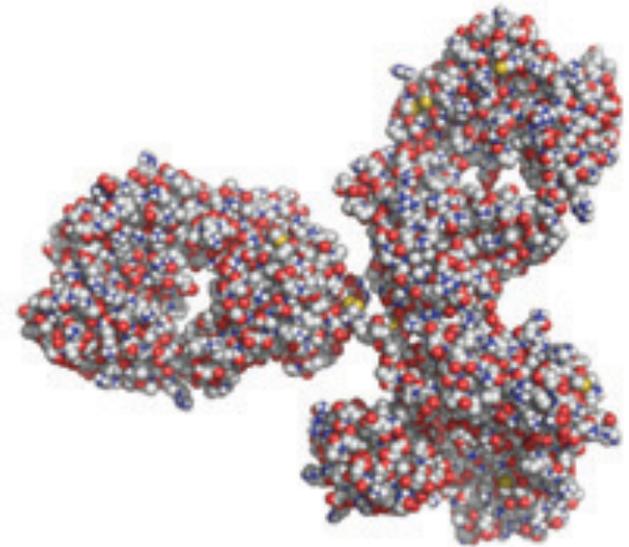
small molecule
(imatinib)

< 1000 Da



macrocycle
(vancomycin)

1-3 kDa



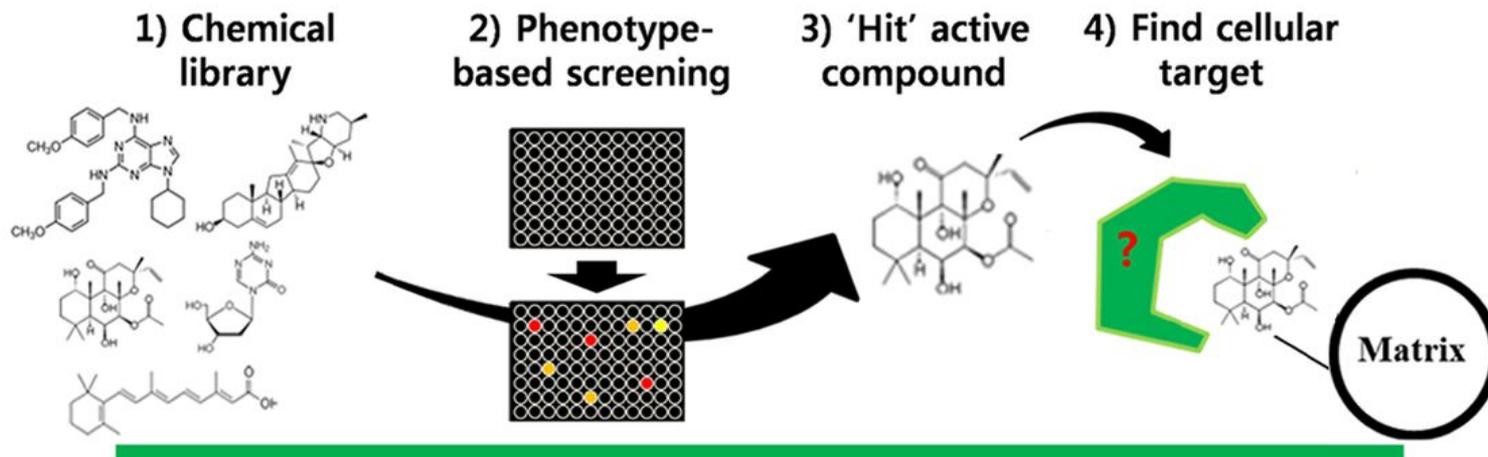
monoclonal antibody

150 kDa

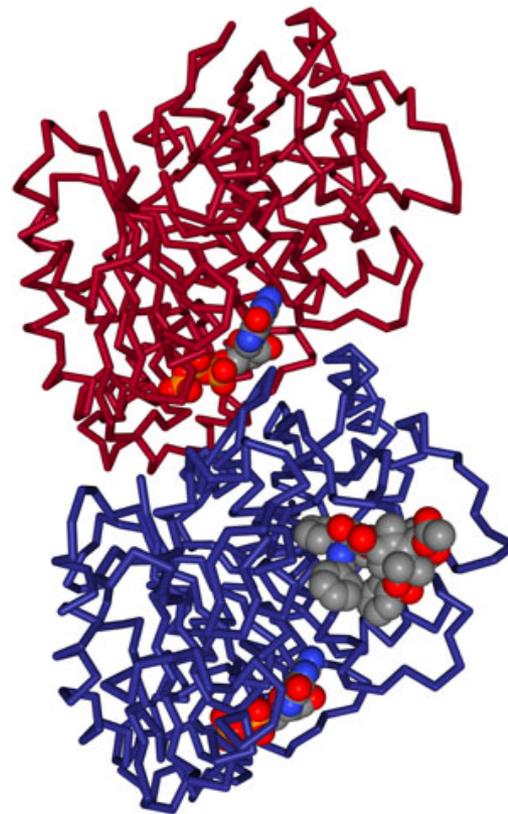
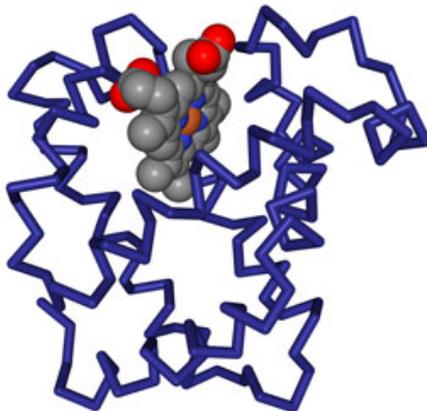
Advantage: Can target one function of multi-function protein

How do we use chemical genetics?

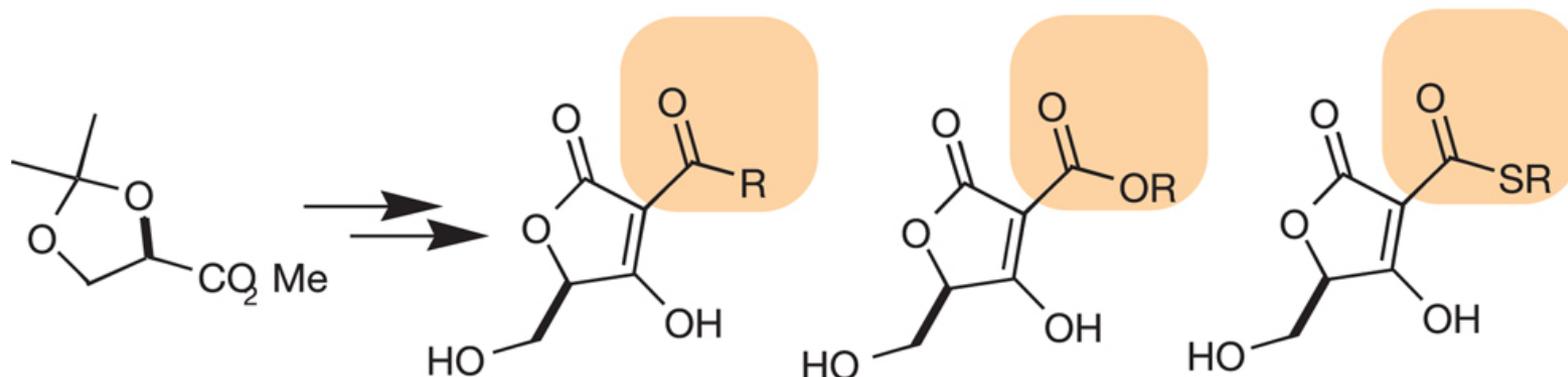
**Forward
direction**



What makes an ideal chemical library?

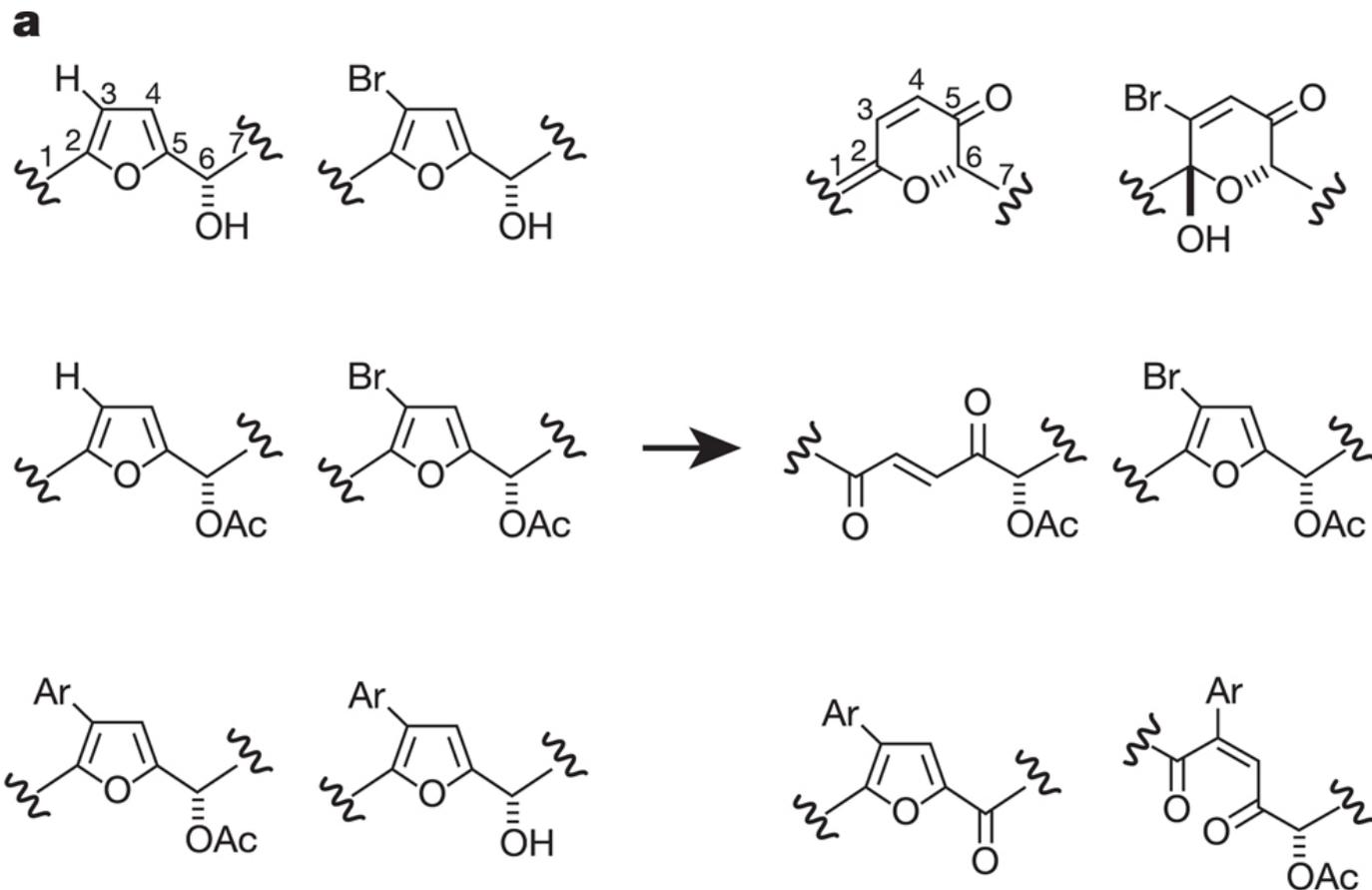


What are focused libraries?



Specific protein class target, Likely to be active

What are diversity-oriented libraries?

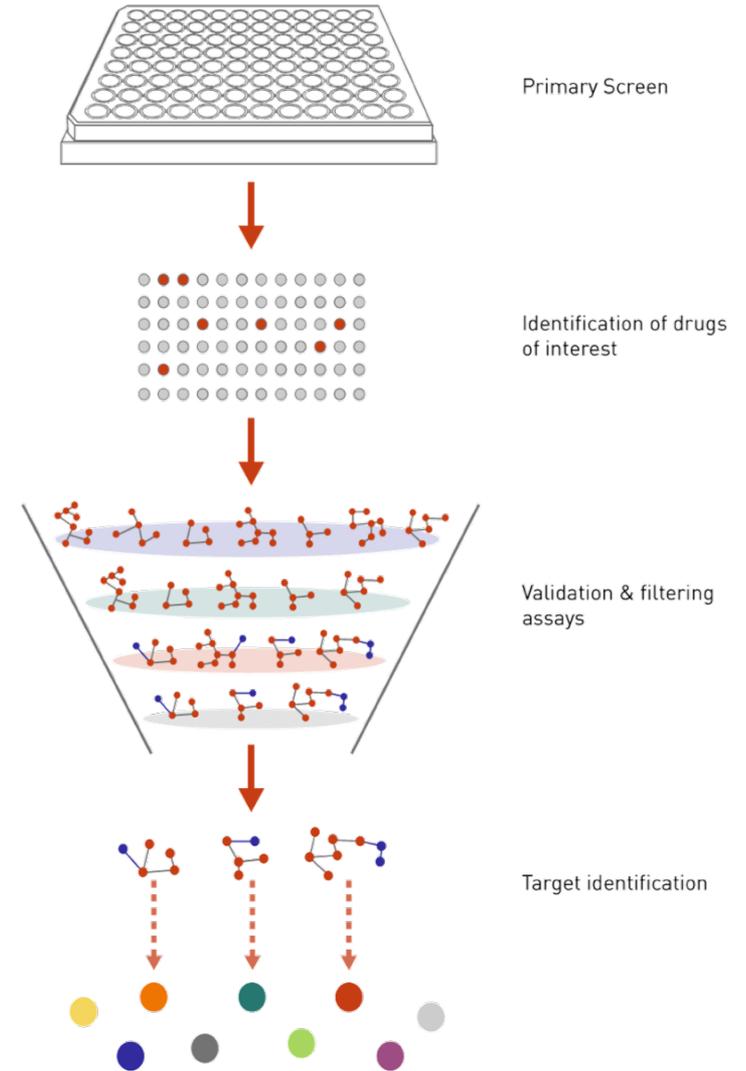


Broad screens
Target new protein classes
Low chance of being active

How are libraries analyzed?

Protein-binding Assay

Phenotypic Activity Assay



What are protein-binding assays?

Labelled vs. Non-labelled

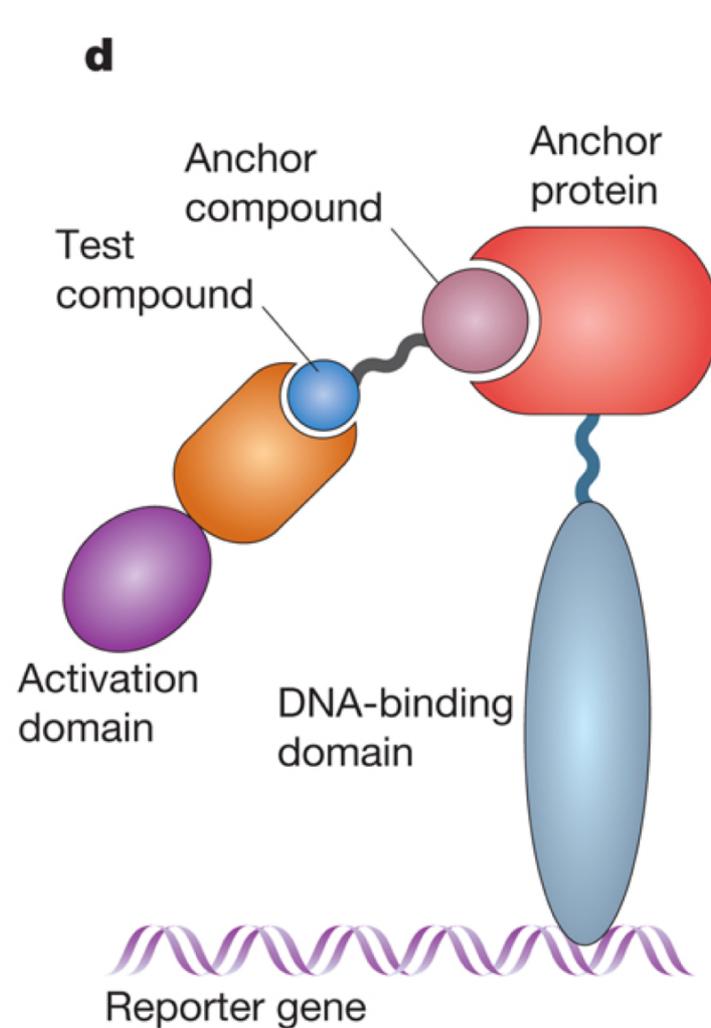
Label difficult
to introduce

Need more protein

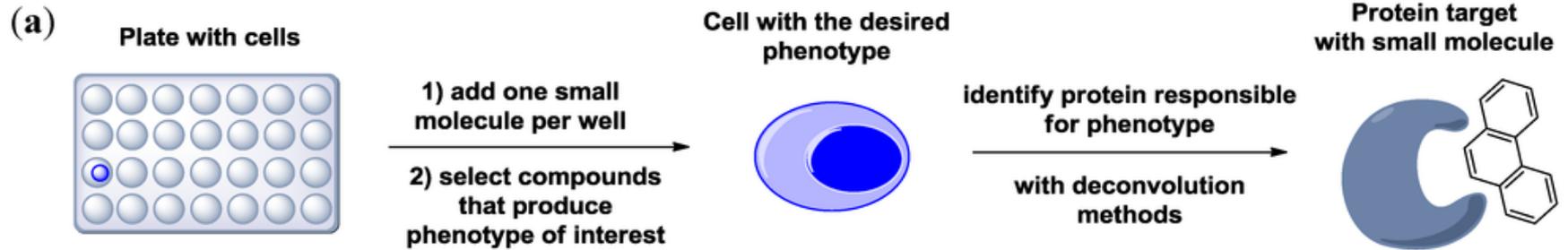
Use time and
money

Slower

What is the three-hybrid system?

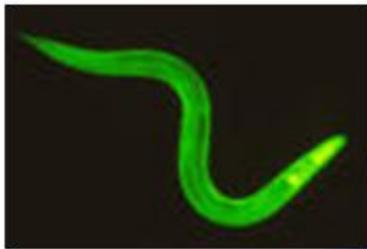


What is a phenotypic activity assay?

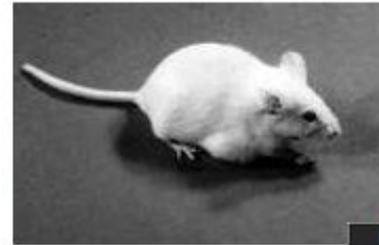


What model organism is useful in chemical genetics assays?

worm



mouse



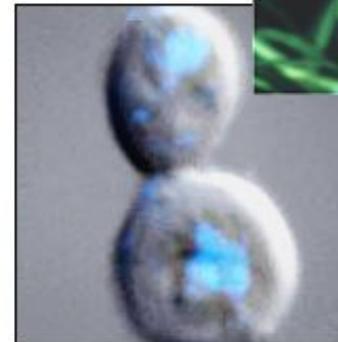
fish



weed



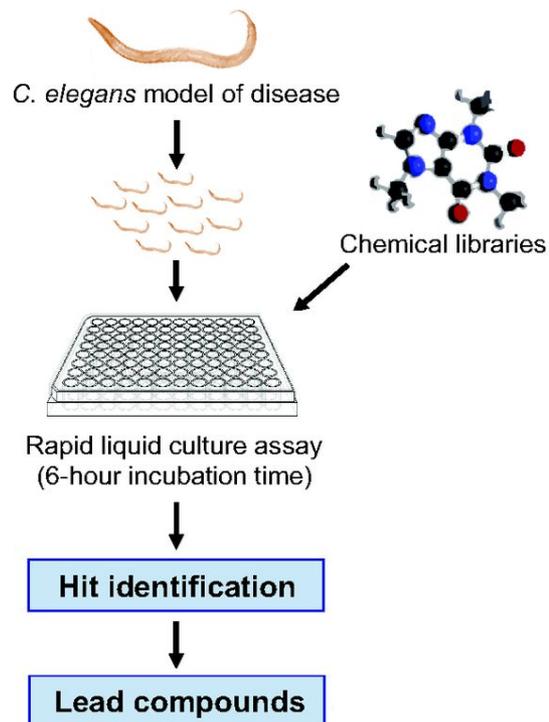
fruit fly



yeast

What are the best model organisms for performing chemical genomic assays?

How is chemical genetics performed in model organisms?

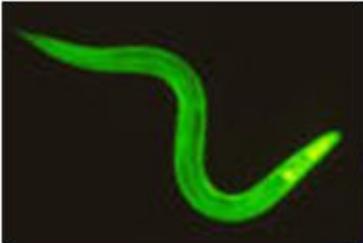


Are mice good for chemical genetics?



Can you use chemical genetics with your model organism?

worm



mouse



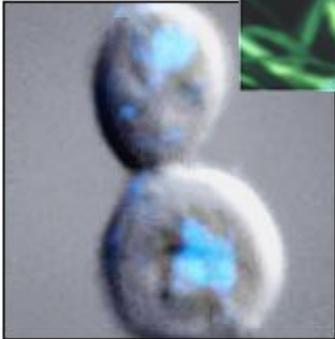
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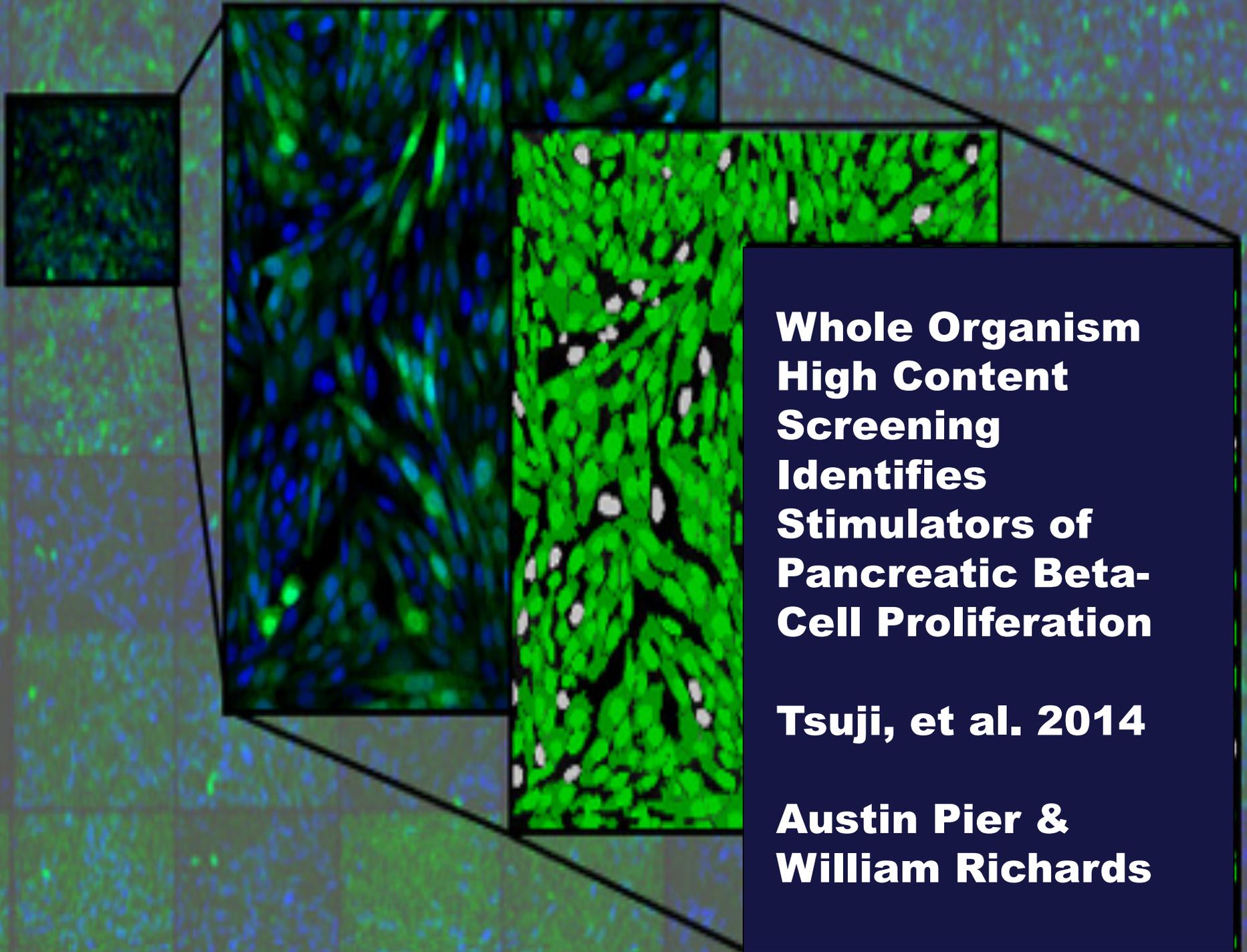
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**Whole Organism
High Content
Screening
Identifies
Stimulators of
Pancreatic Beta-
Cell Proliferation**

Tsuji, et al. 2014

**Austin Pier &
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What is Whole Organism High Content Screening?

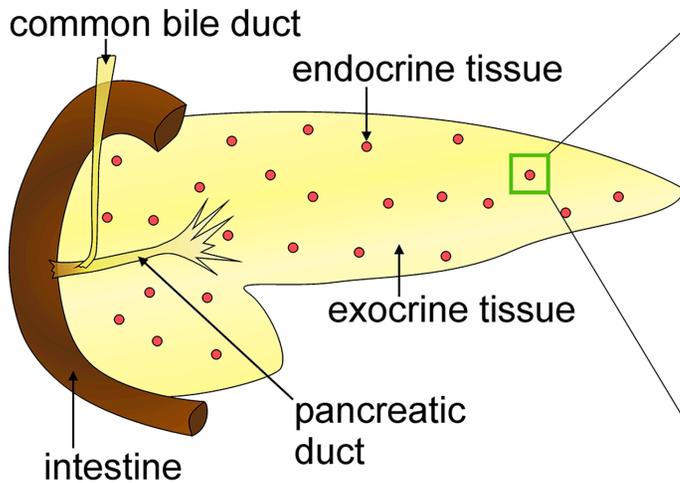
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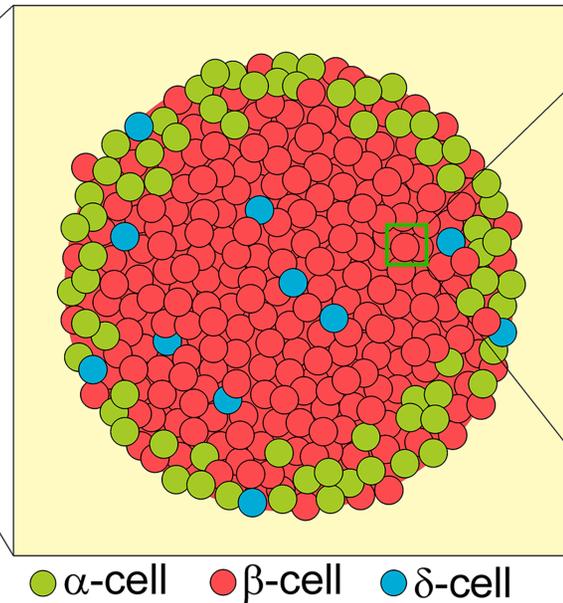
Visual and analytical method which utilizes microscopic fluorescent imaging to extract data from whole cell populations

What role do **pancreatic beta-cells** play in glucose uptake?

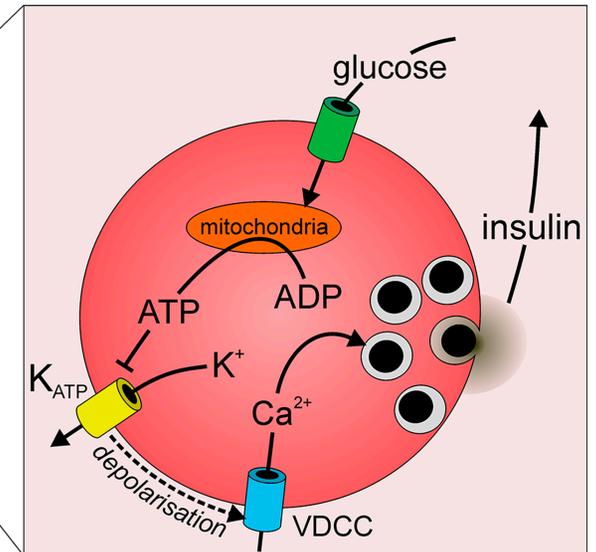
the pancreas



the islet



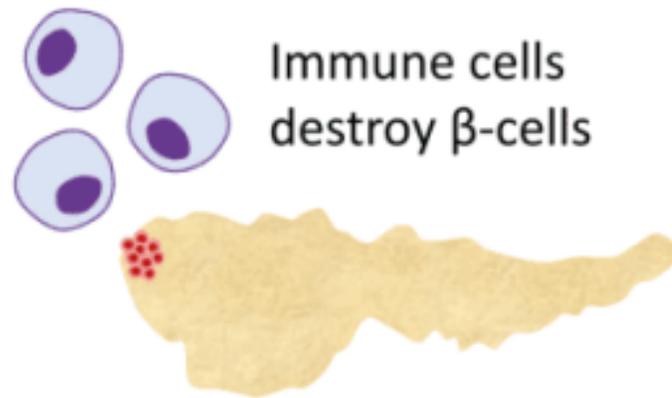
the β -cell



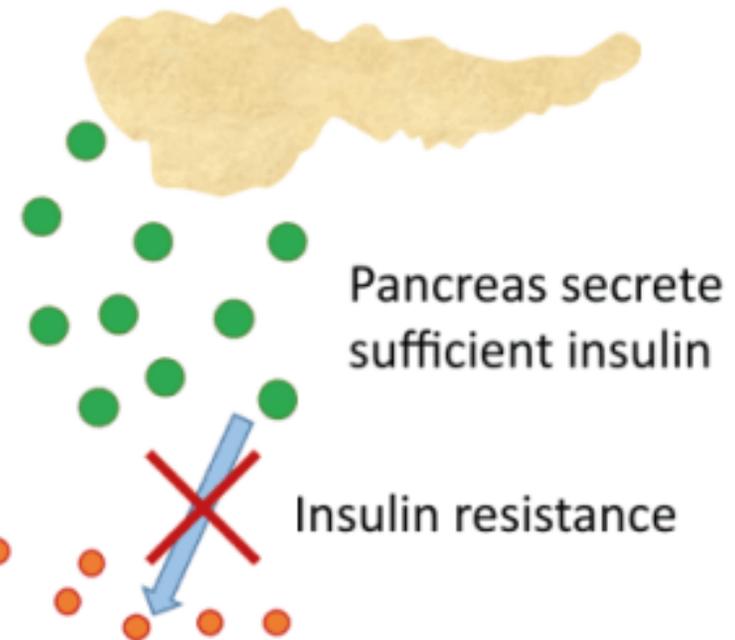
Pancreatic beta-cells produce insulin, which allows cells to utilize glucose in the blood.

What causes **type I** and **type II** diabetes?

Type I



Type II

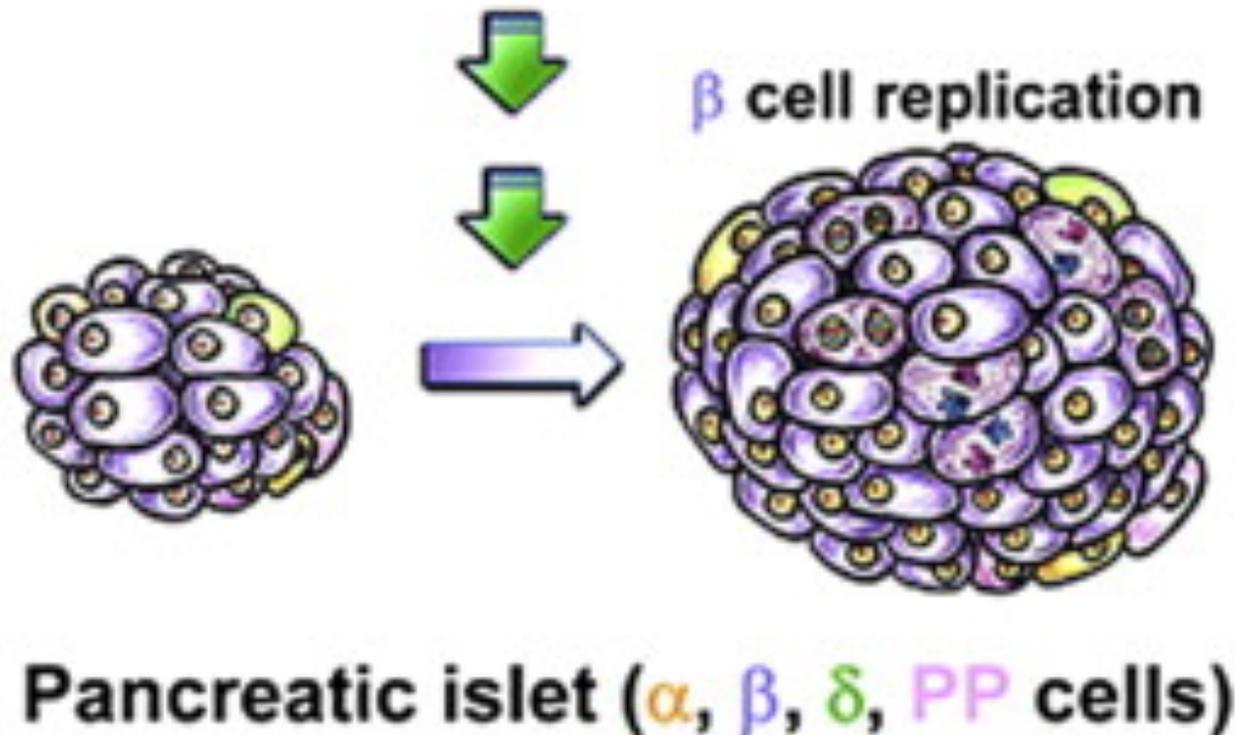


Glucose cannot enter cells

Glucose increase in blood stream

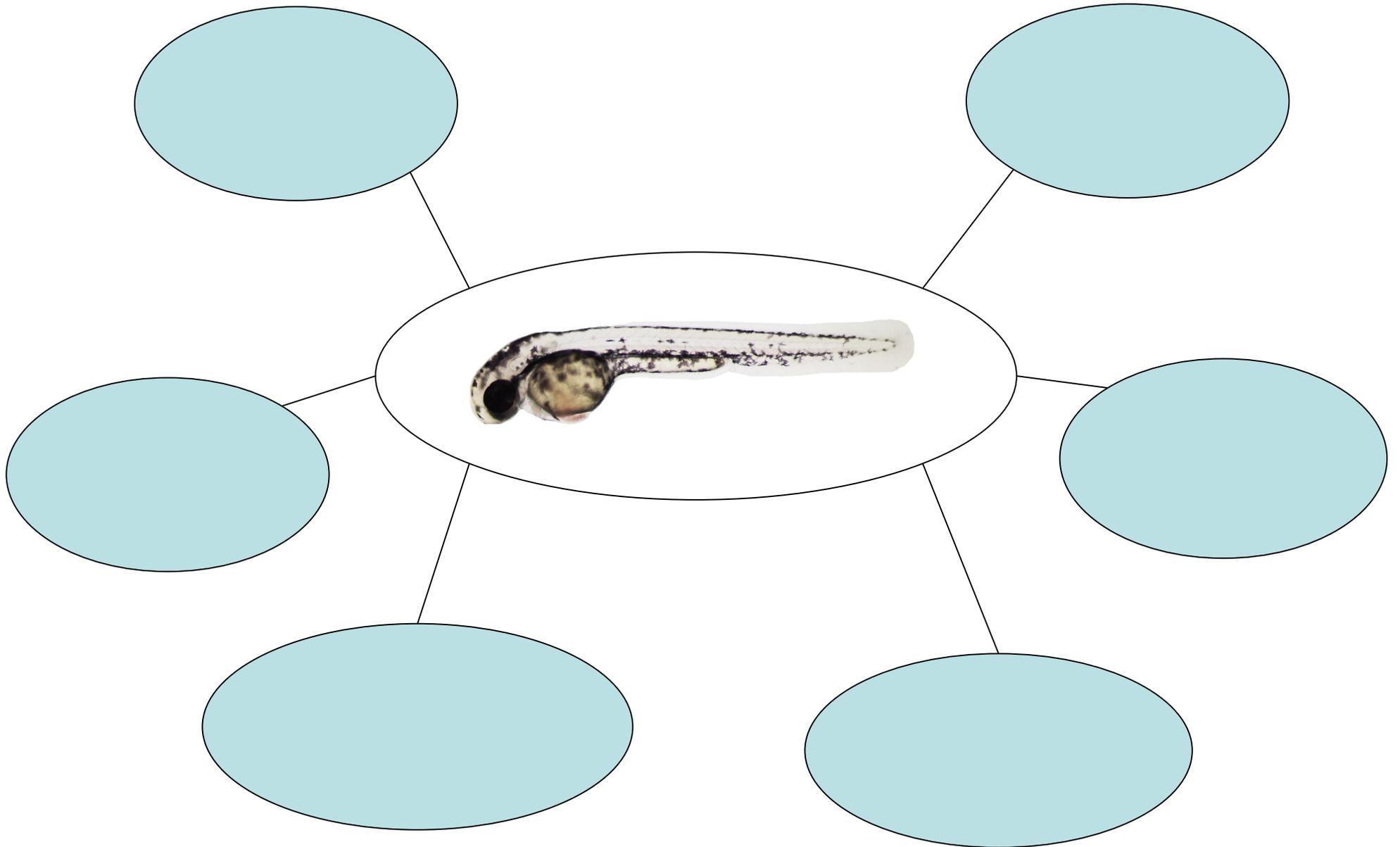
What was the goal of this study?

Compounds

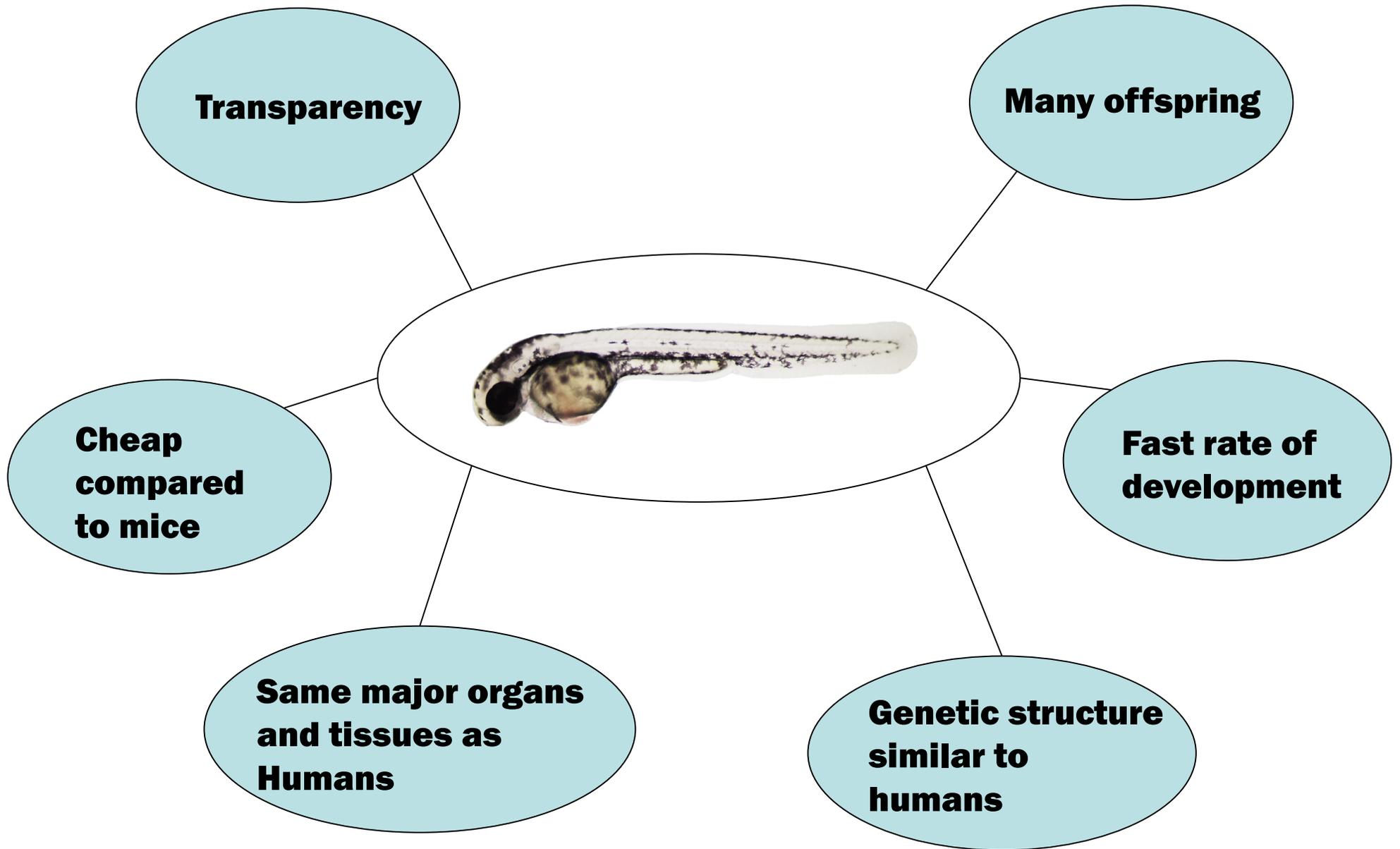


To identify **compounds** which **increased beta-cell proliferation**

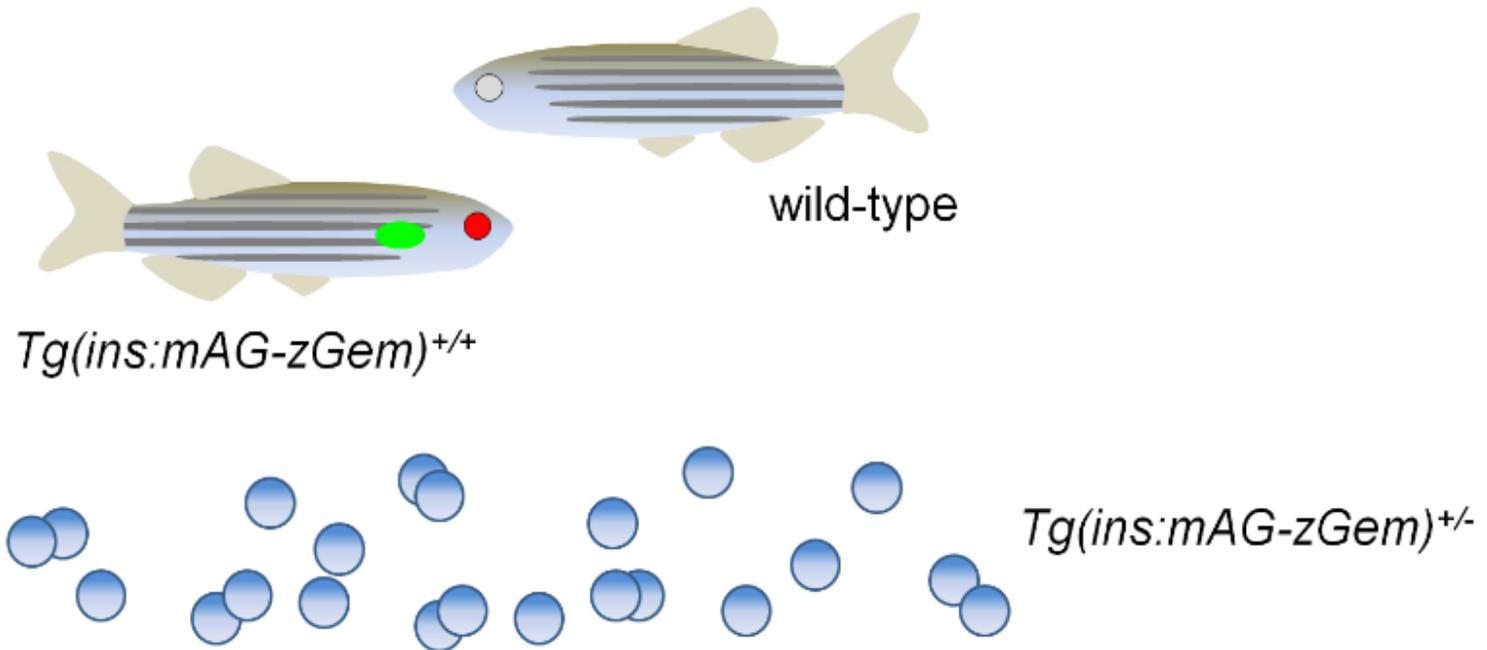
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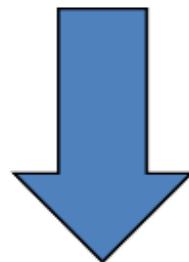
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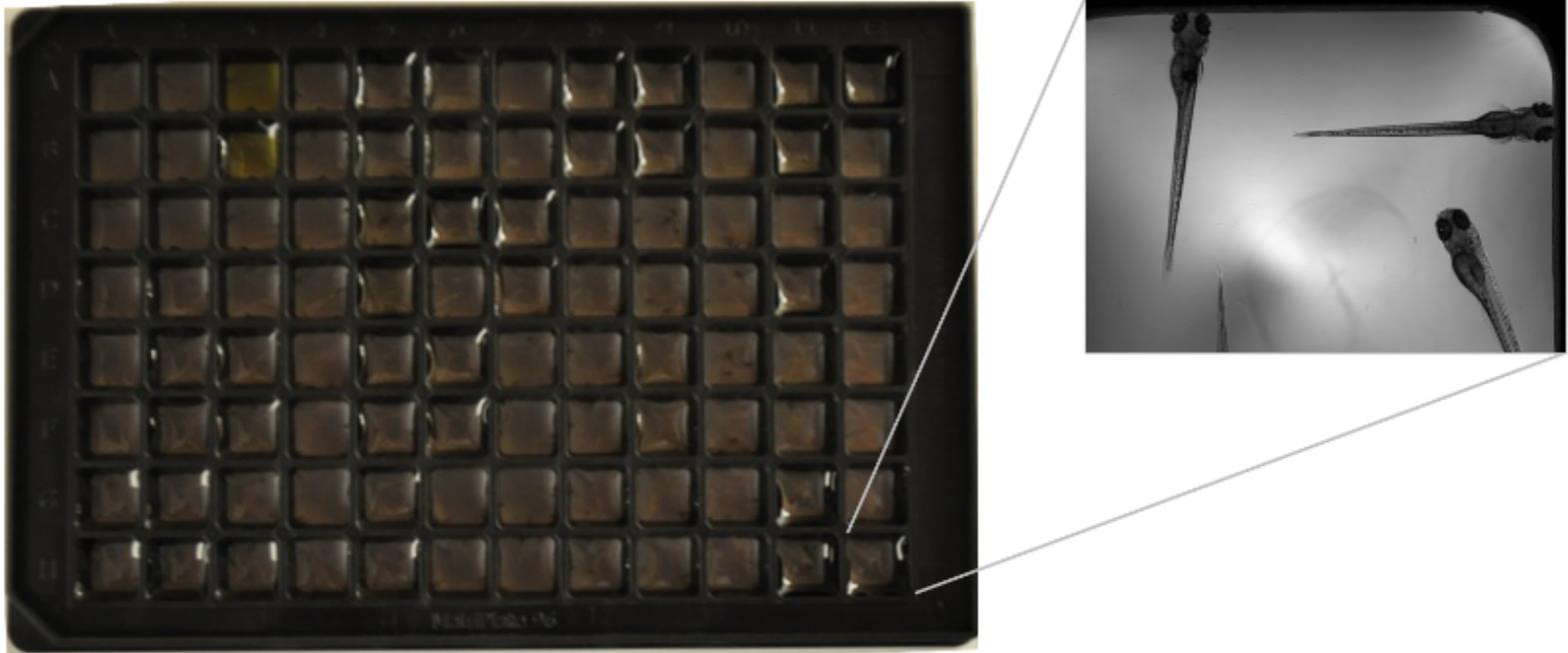


Homozygous transgenic fish are bred to wild-type fish to produce hundreds of hemizygous transgenic embryos.

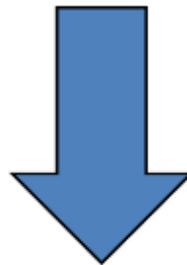


Developing until 72 hpf

How did they screen for compounds that promoted beta-cell proliferation?

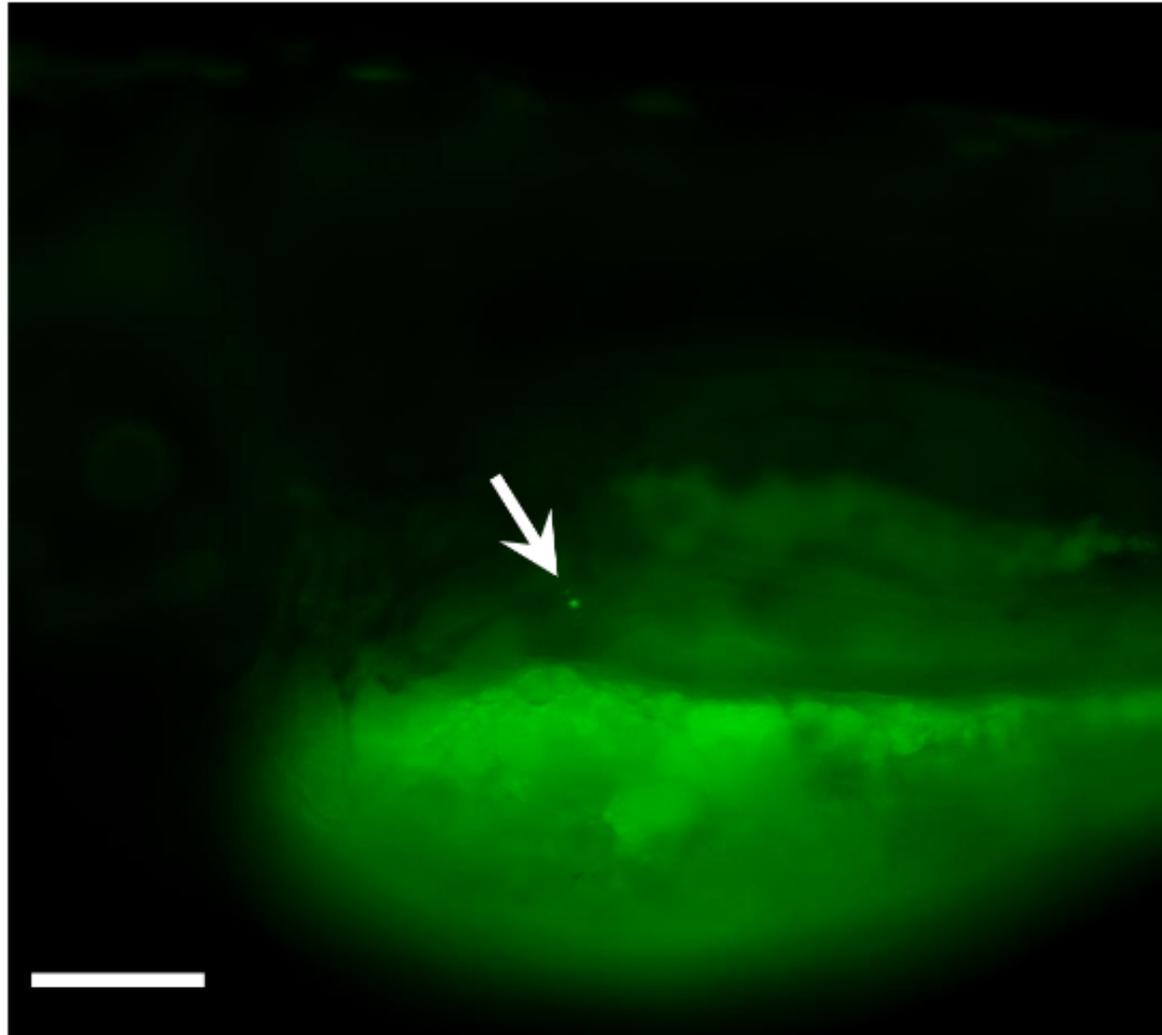


Tg(ins:mAG-zGem)^{+/-} larvae are arrayed in 96-well plates (4 fish/well), each well containing a different chemical compound at 10 μM .



Chemical treatment for 24 hours

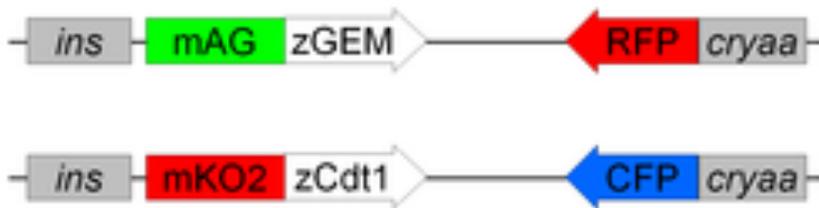
What did the **proliferating beta-cells** look like?



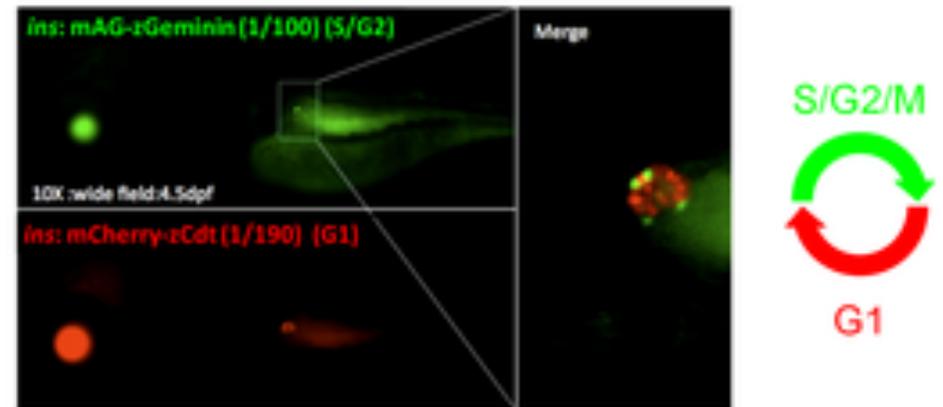
The proliferating beta-cells (green cell marked by an arrow) are counted under an inverted microscope

How did they differentiate **proliferating** and **non proliferating** beta-cells?

A



B

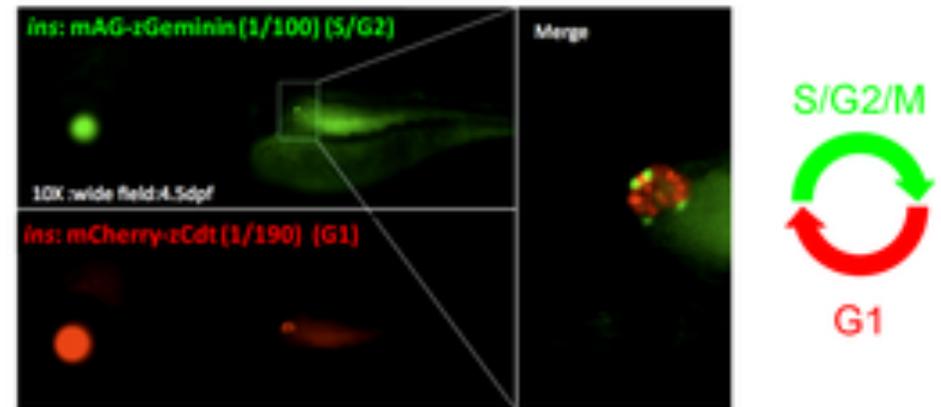


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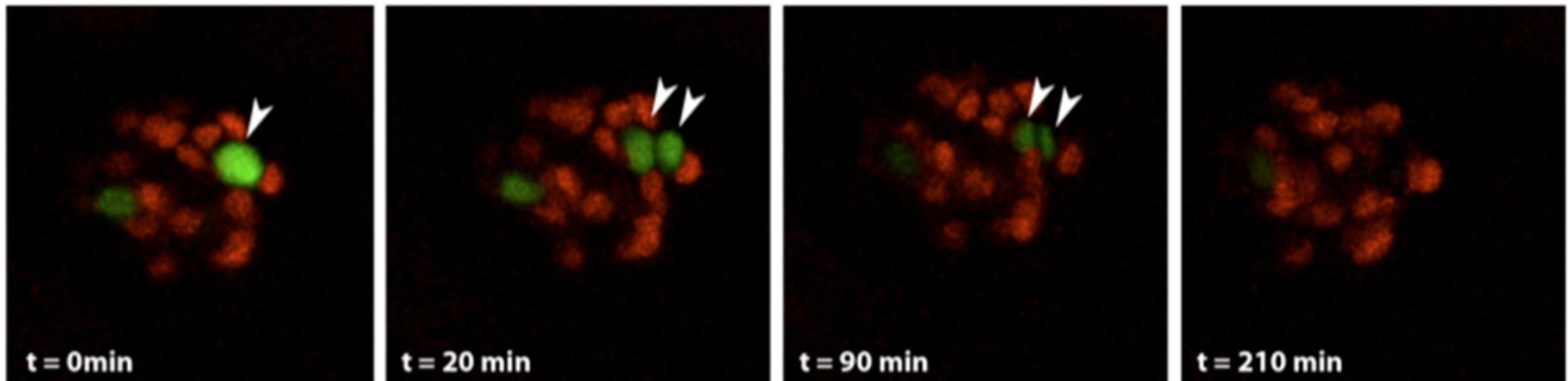
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Proliferating beta-cells were labeled with **green fluorescence** while **non-proliferating** were labeled in **red fluorescence**

Did **dividing beta-cells** maintain expression in their daughter cells after mitosis?

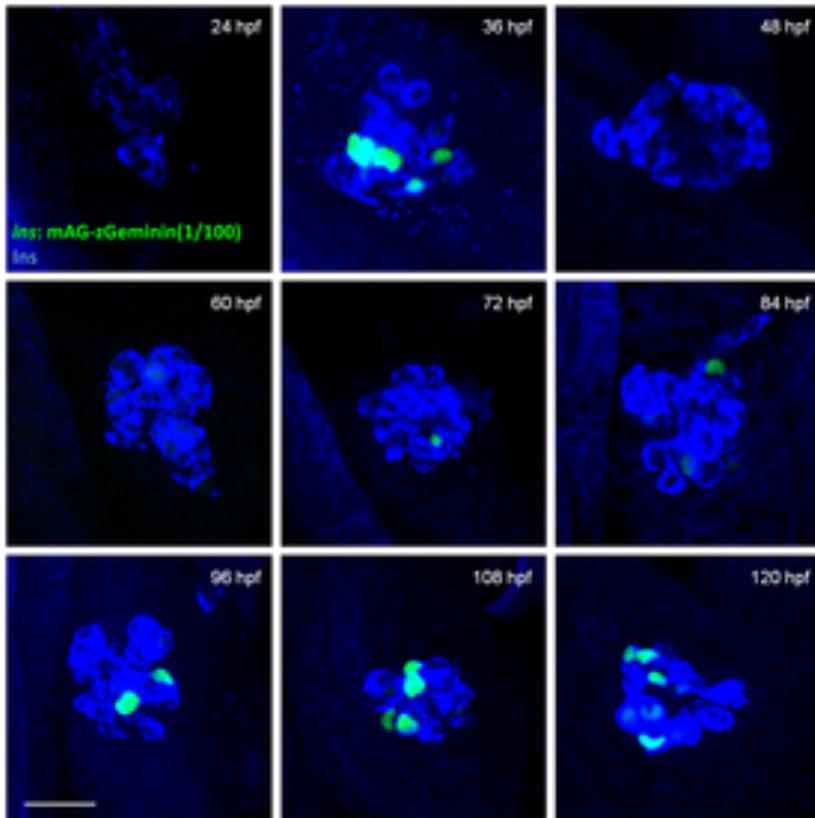
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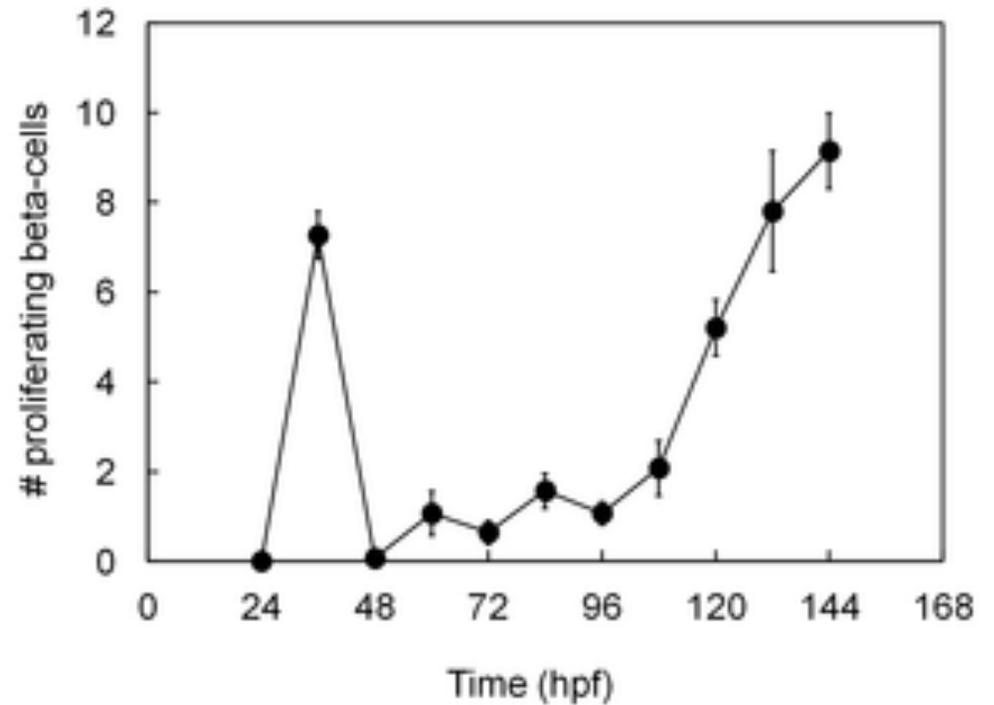
Dividing beta-cells were able to maintain their expression for over an hour past mitosis

At what points during zebrafish larval development are there natural increases in **beta-cell proliferation**?

E

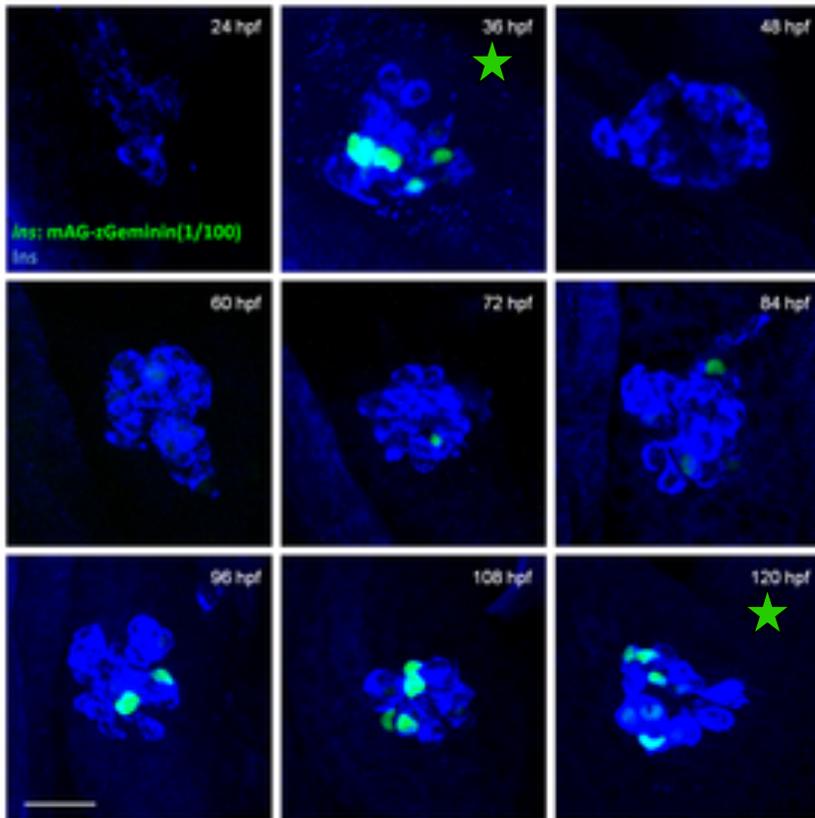


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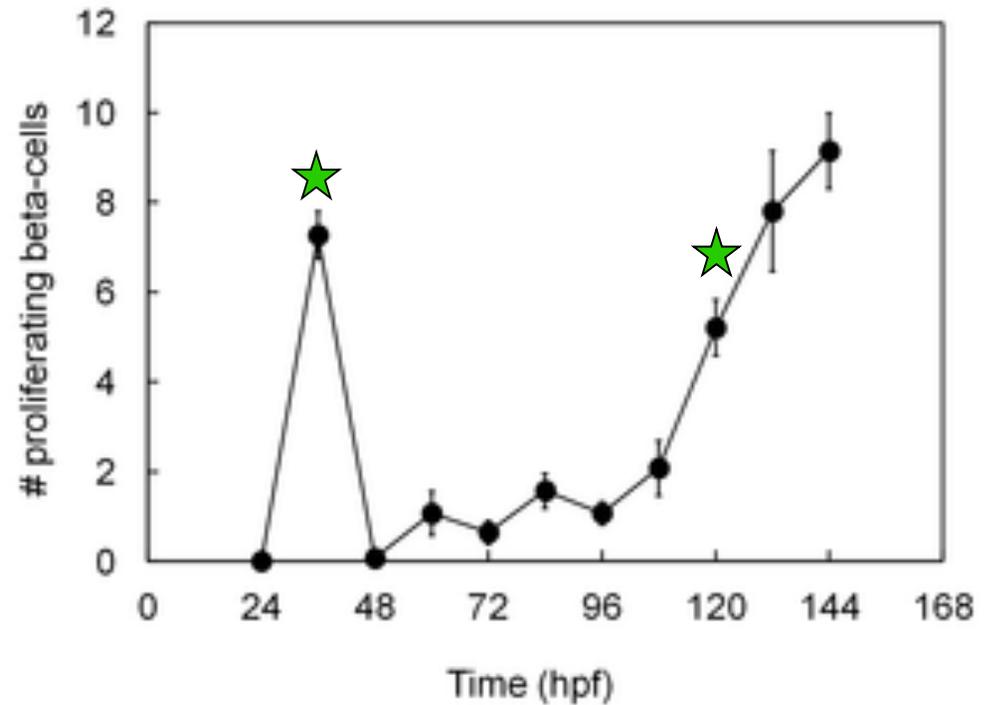


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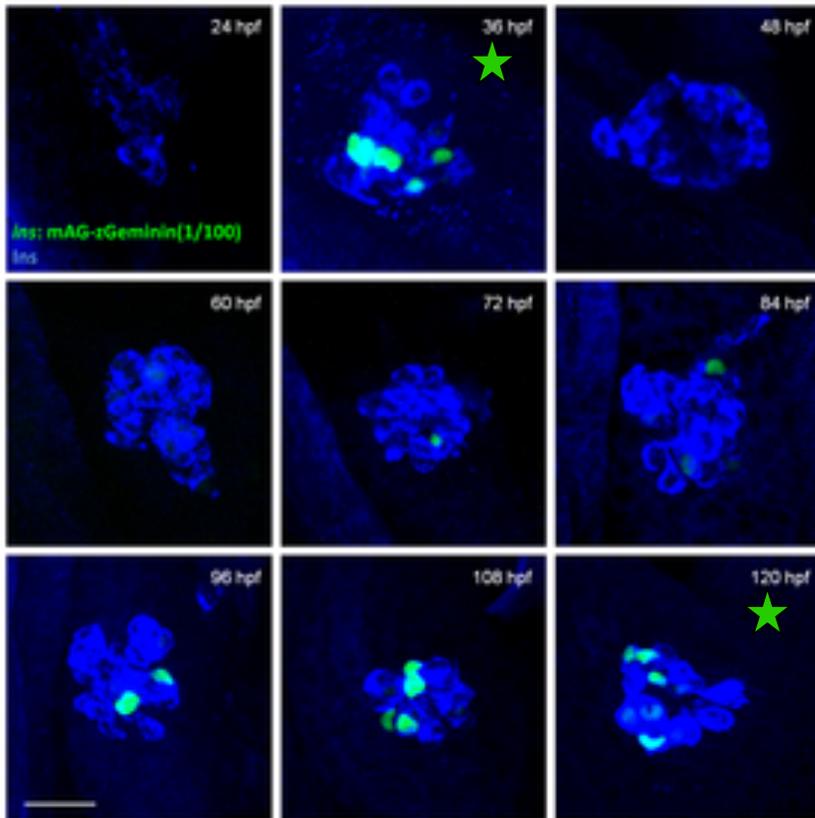
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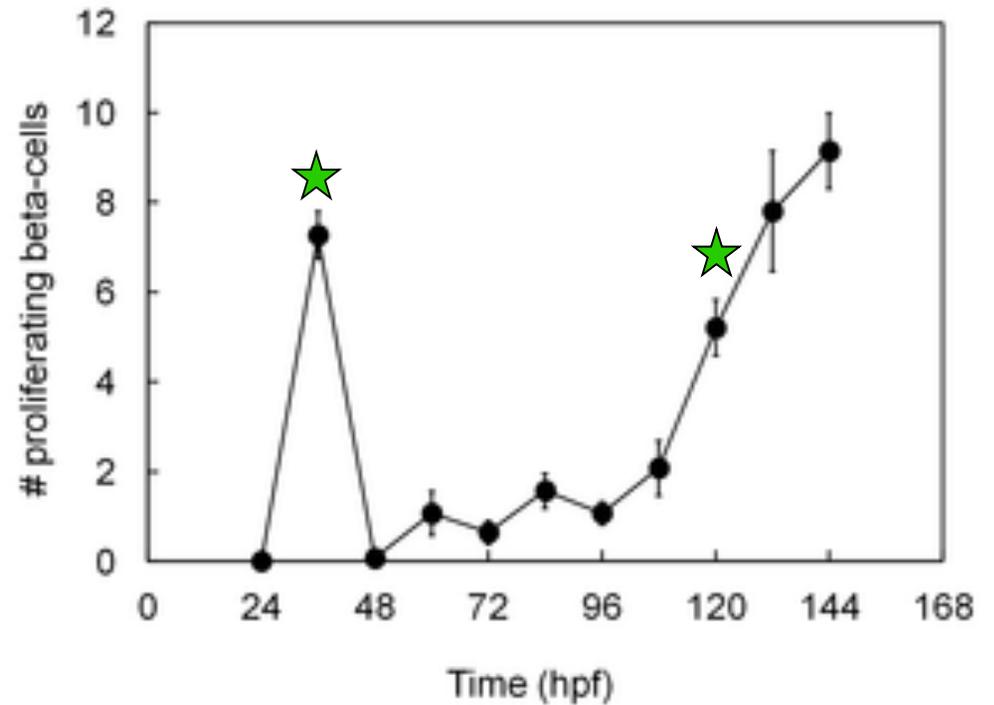
Peaks in **beta-cell proliferation** were observed at **36 hpf** and **120 hpf**

What did these natural increases in **beta-cell proliferation** correlate with?

E



F



Peaks in **beta-cell proliferation** coincided with periods when glucose levels were increased

Which compound served as a control?

Classification	Chemical Name	# mAG ⁺ cells	Pharmacological Action	Dose (μM)	Library
Control	DMSO	0.5±0.06			
Retinoic acid	Retinoic acid, all trans	5.0±0.7	RAR agonist	10	NRL
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	9-cis Retinoic acid	2.5±0.5	RXR agonist	10	NRL
	Isotretinoin (13-cis-Retinoic Acid)	2.5±0.5	RAR agonist	10	NIH II
Serotonin	Trazodone	1.3±0.3	Serotonin uptake inhibitor	10	NIH I
	Lofepramine	1.0±0.3	Serotonin and noradrenalin re-uptake inhibitor	10	NIH I
	Phenelzine	1.1±0.3	Monoamine oxidase inhibitor	10	NIH II
Glucocorticoids	Fluticasone	2.7±0.6	Glucocorticoid receptor ligands	10	NIH I
	Hydrocortisone acetate	2.8±0.7		10	NIH II
	Prednisolone acetate	2.9±0.7		10	NIH II
	Clobetasol propionate	2.7±0.5		10	NIH II
	Triamcinolone acetonide	2.9±0.5		10	NIH II
	Westcort	2.6±0.4		10	NIH II
	Budesonide	3.2±0.4		10	NIH II
	Methylprednisolone acetate	2.0±0.4		10	NIH II
	Fluocinolone acetonide 21-acetate	2.3±0.4		10	NIH II
	Dexamethasone	1.4±0.3		10	NIH II
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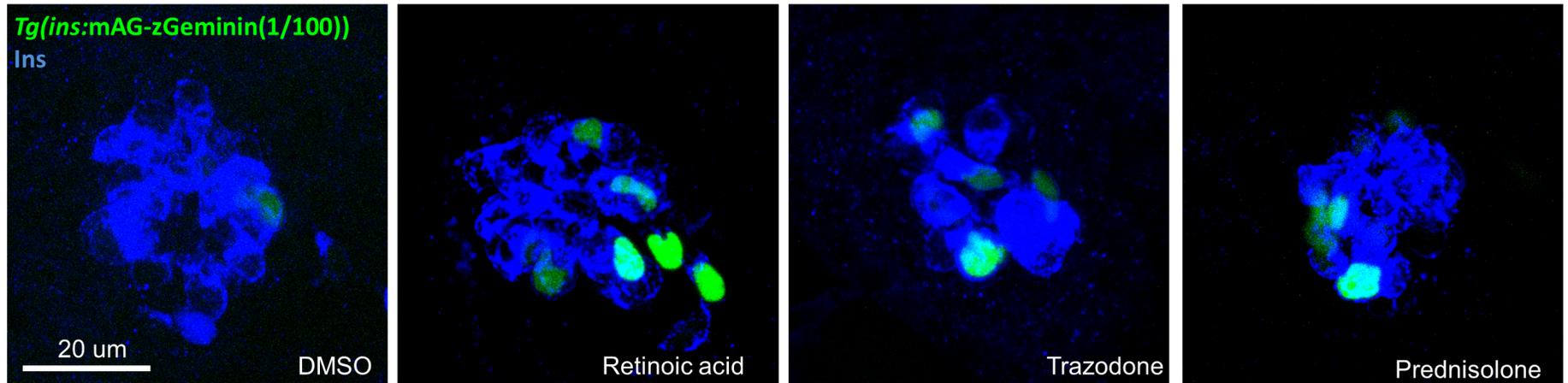
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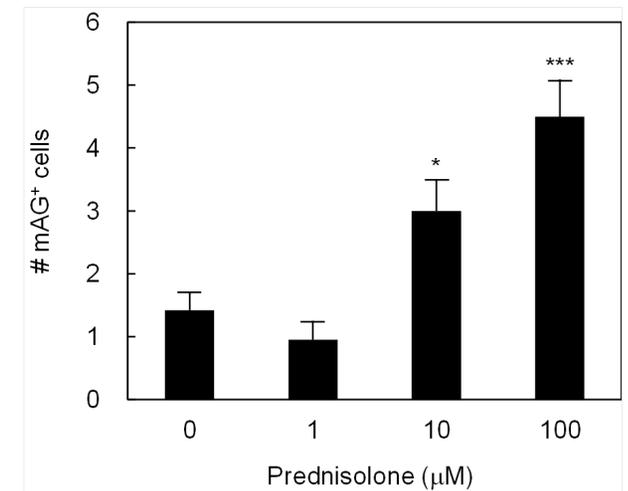
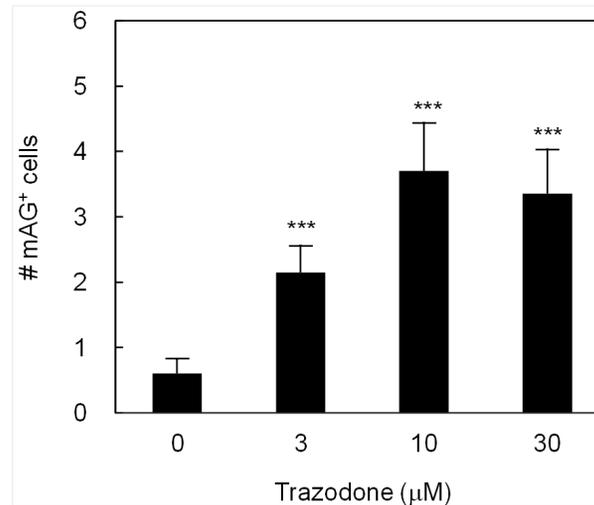
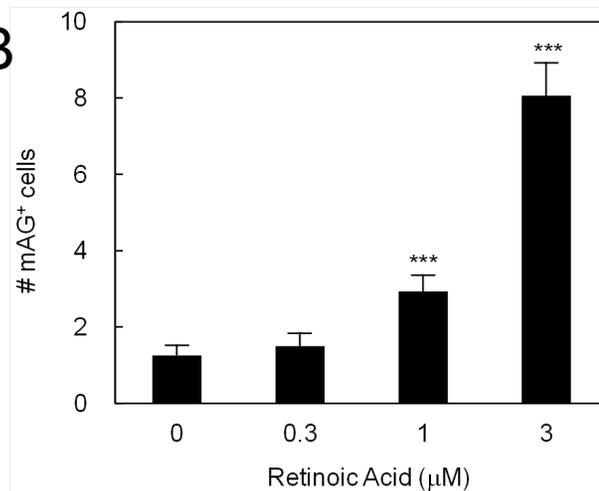
Compounds had to have a **2x increase in beta-cell proliferation** compared to DMSO control

Does the concentration of the compound effect the number of observed **proliferating beta-cells**?

A

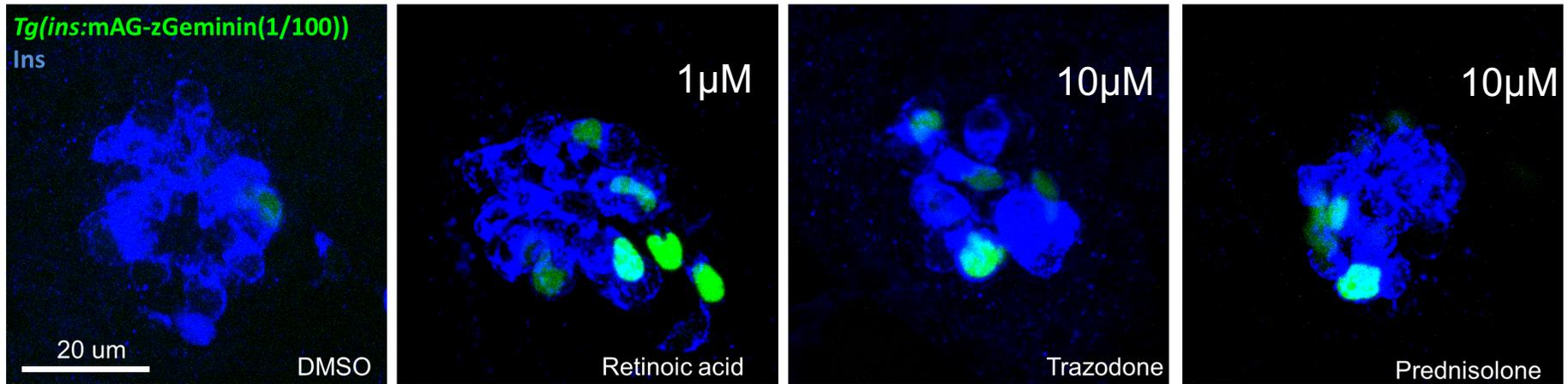


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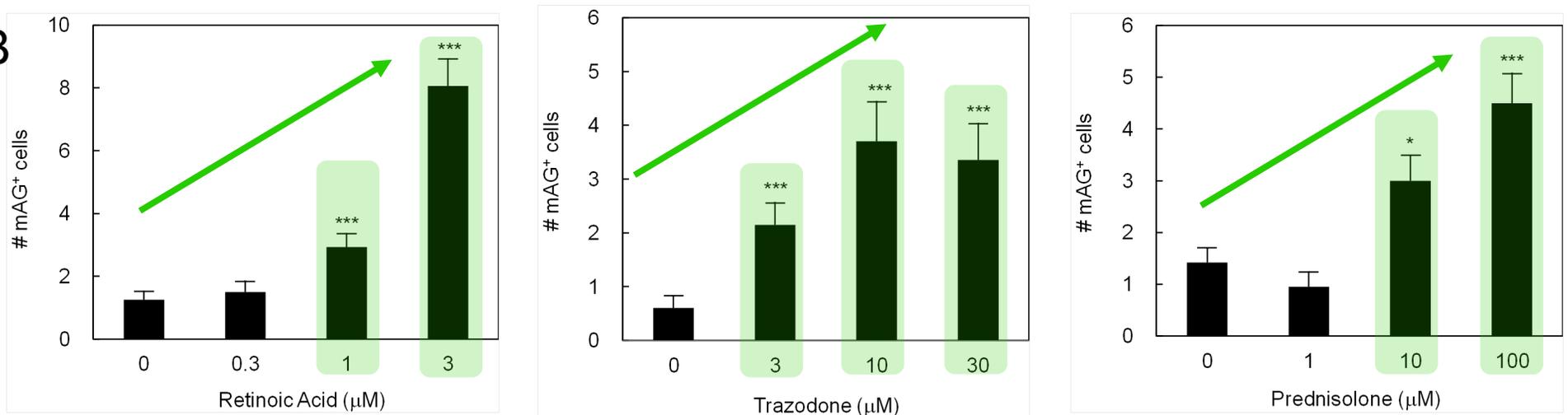


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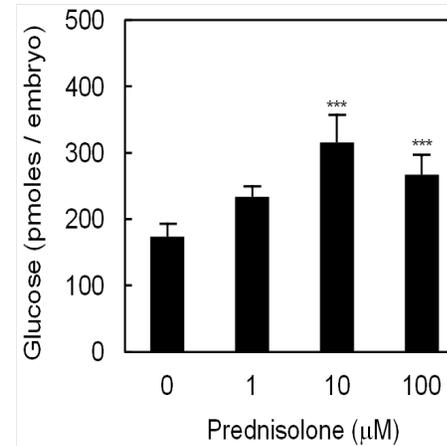
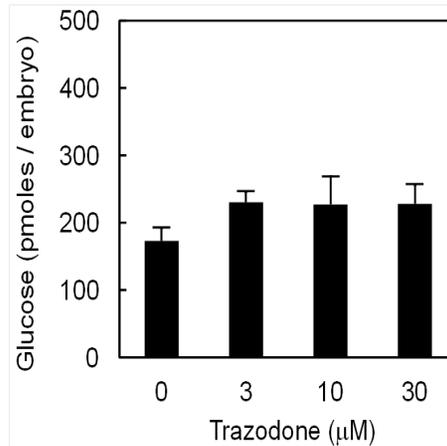
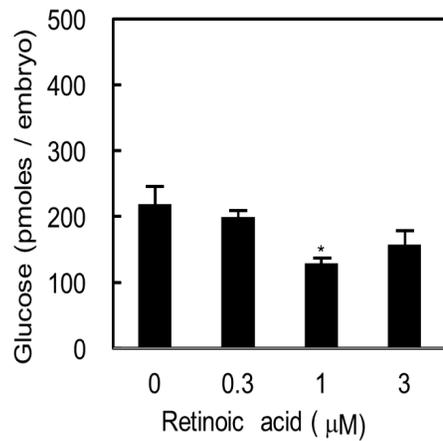
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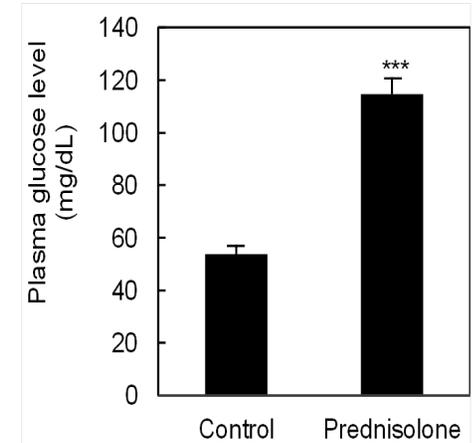
The **number of proliferating beta-cells significantly increased** with increasing concentrations

Did the compounds promote beta-cell proliferation without causing hyperglycemia?

C

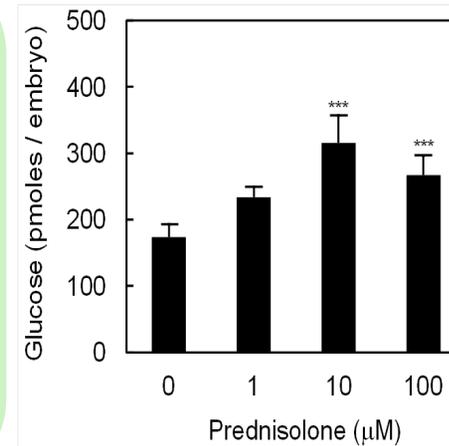
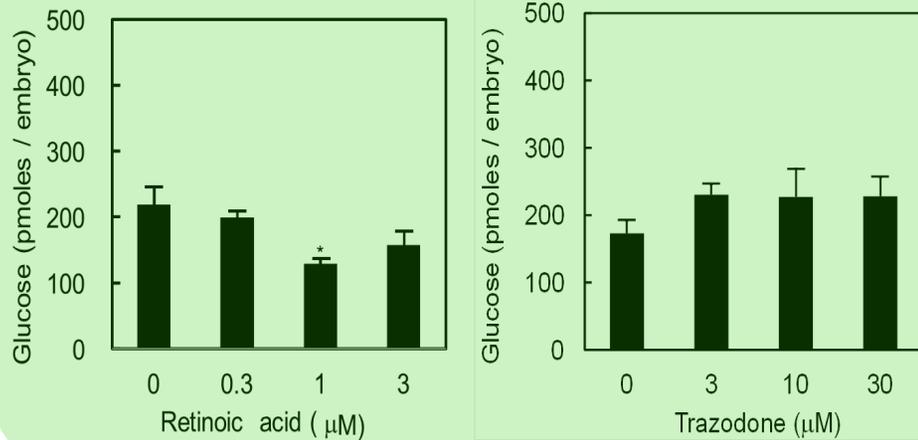


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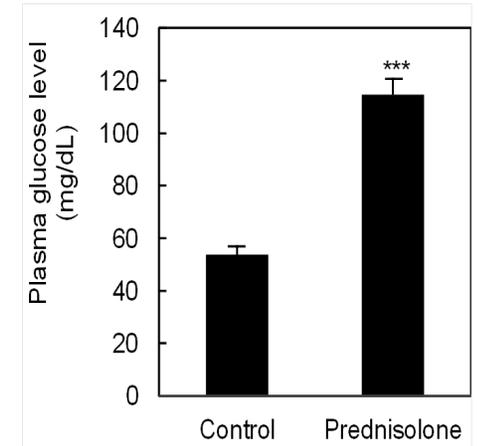


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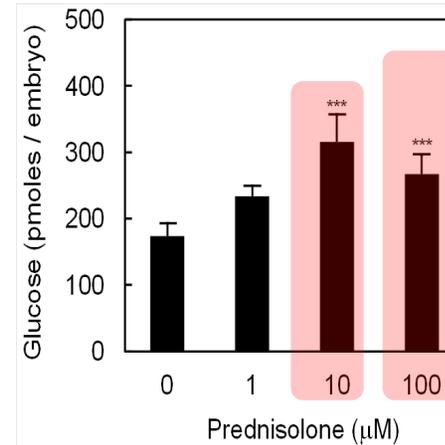
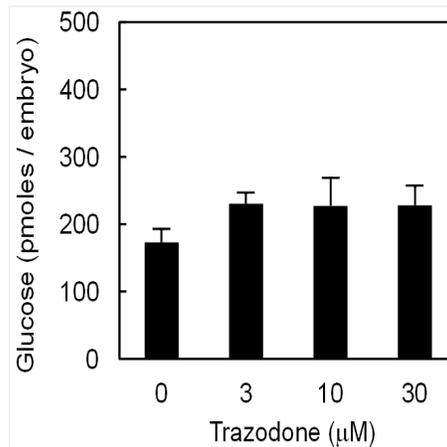
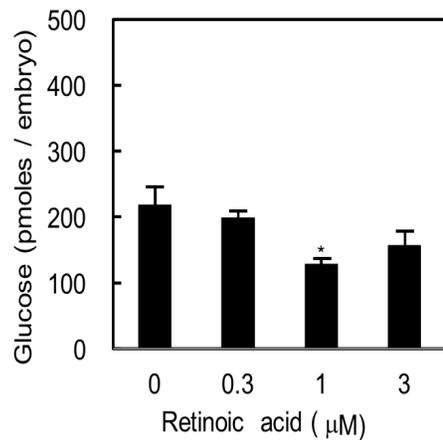
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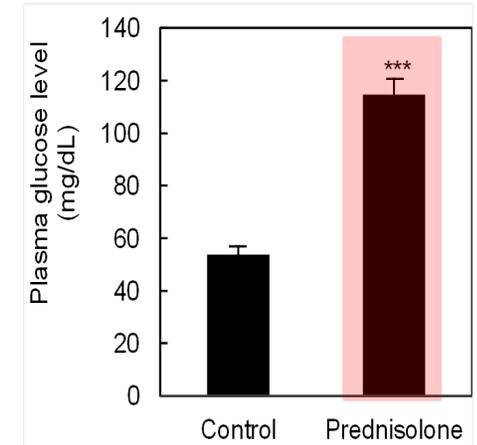
Retinoic acid and Trazodone promoted beta cell proliferation **without causing **hyperglycemia****

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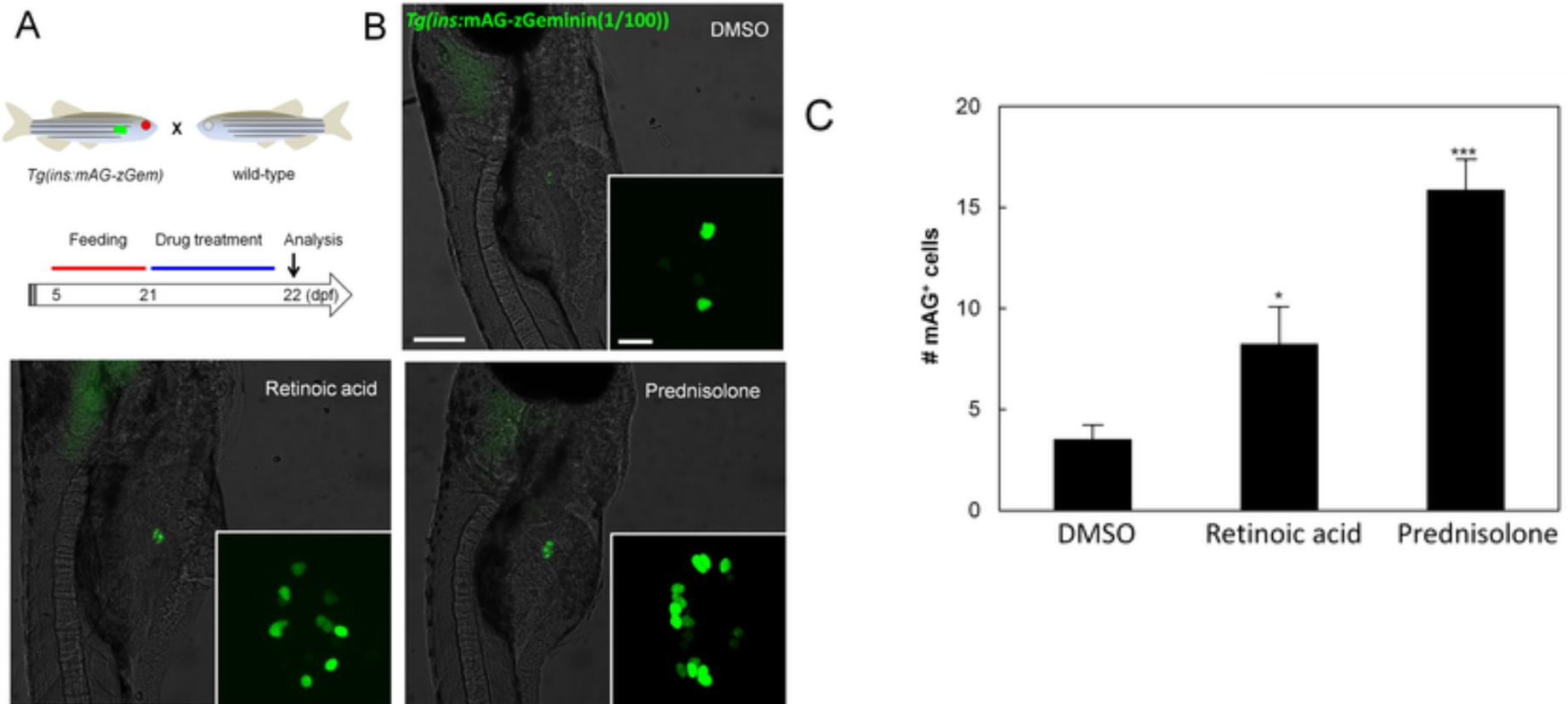


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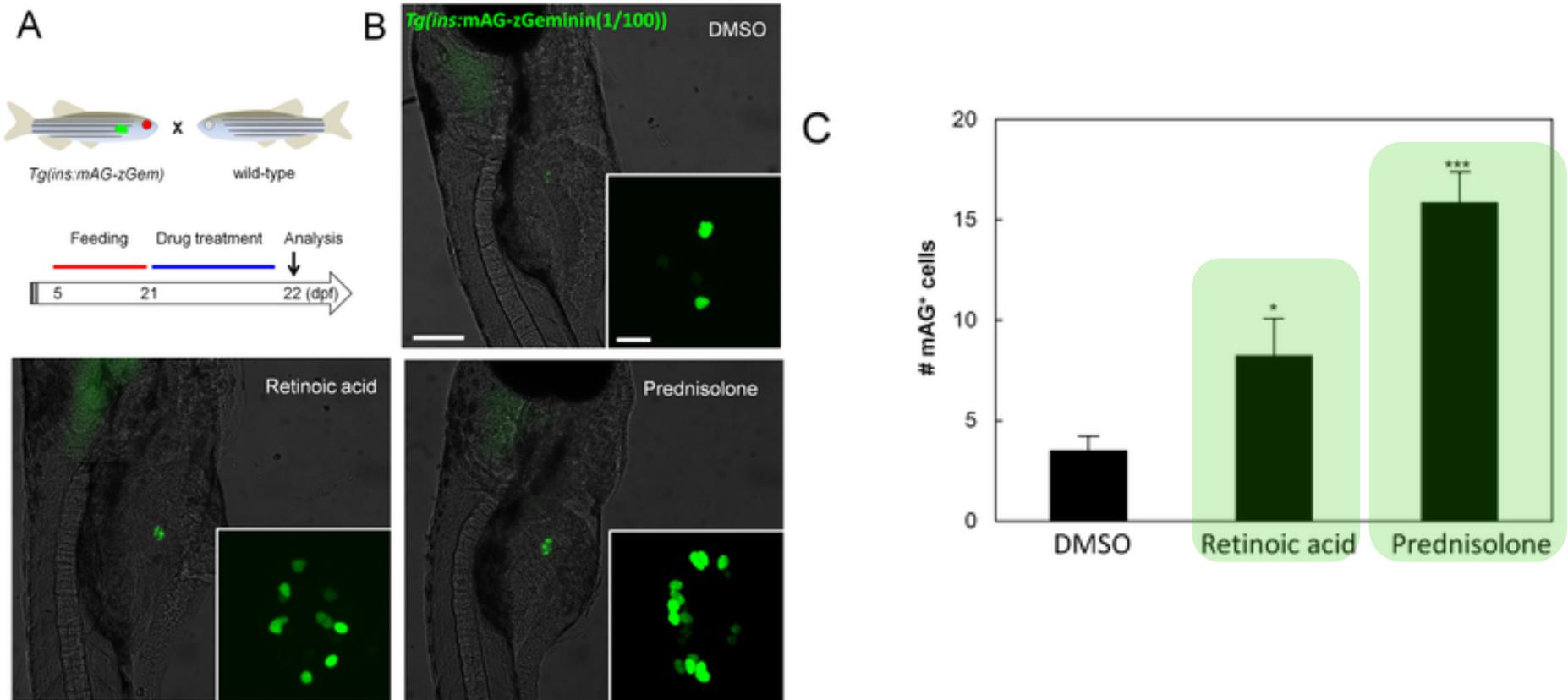


Prednisolone promoted beta-cell proliferation, but caused hyperglycemia

How do retinoic acid and prednisolone effect pancreatic **beta-cell proliferation** during feeding metabolism?

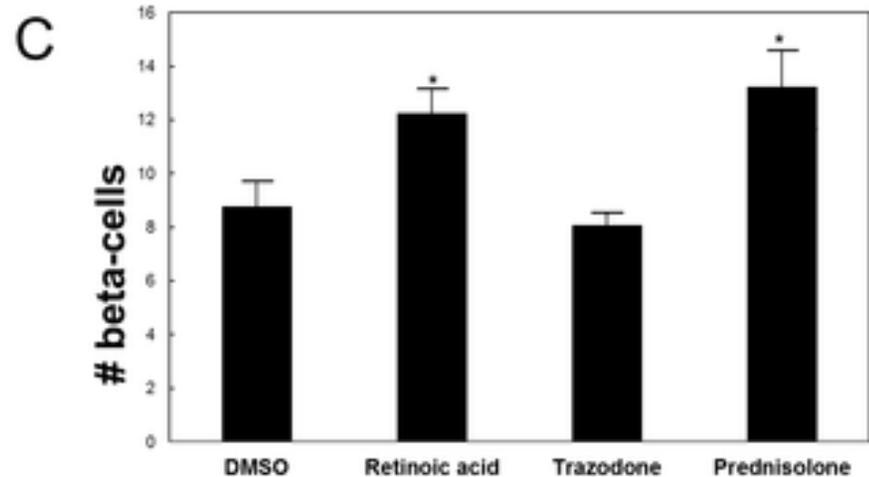
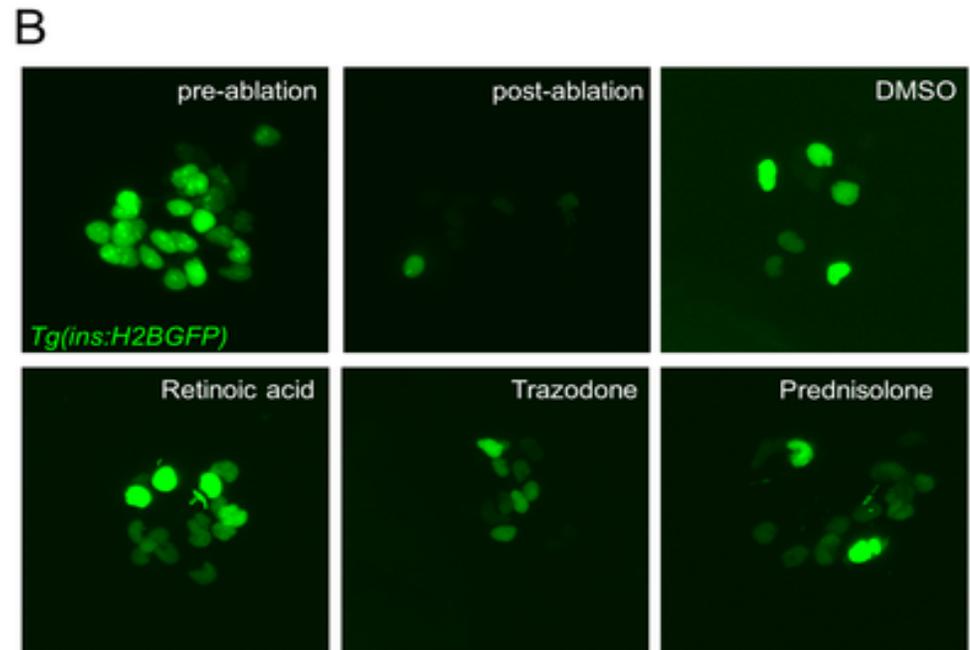
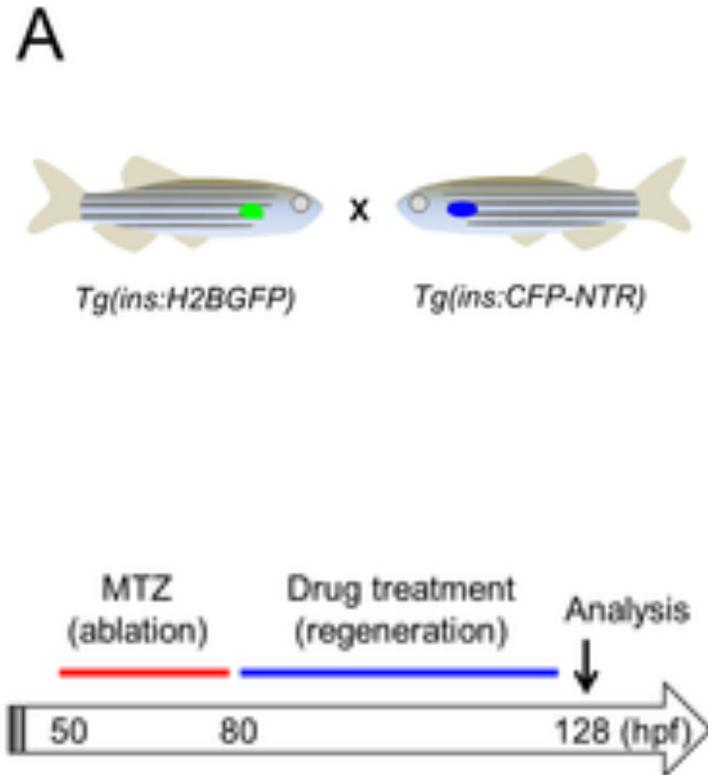


How do retinoic acid and prednisolone effect pancreatic **beta-cell proliferation** during feeding metabolism?

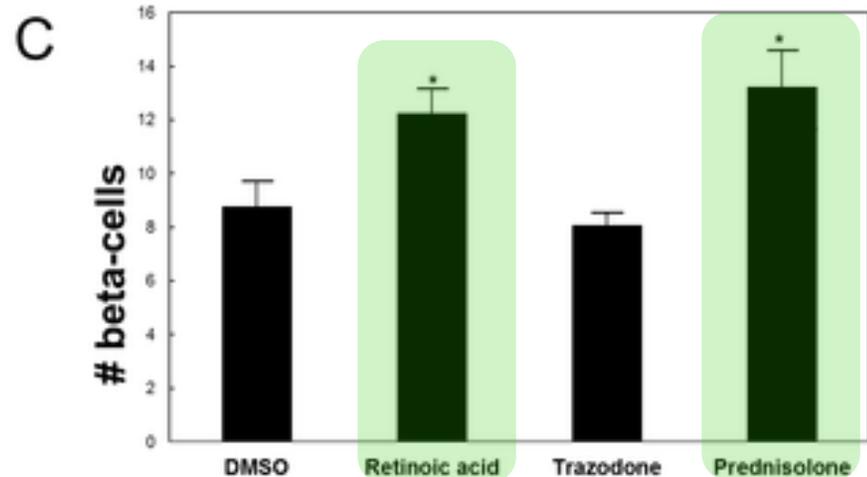
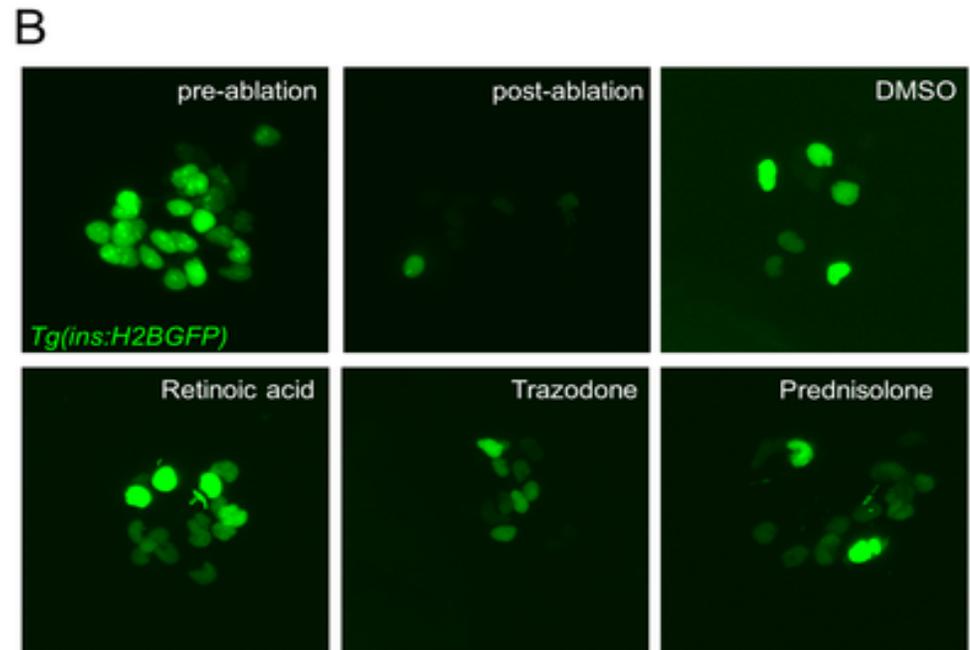
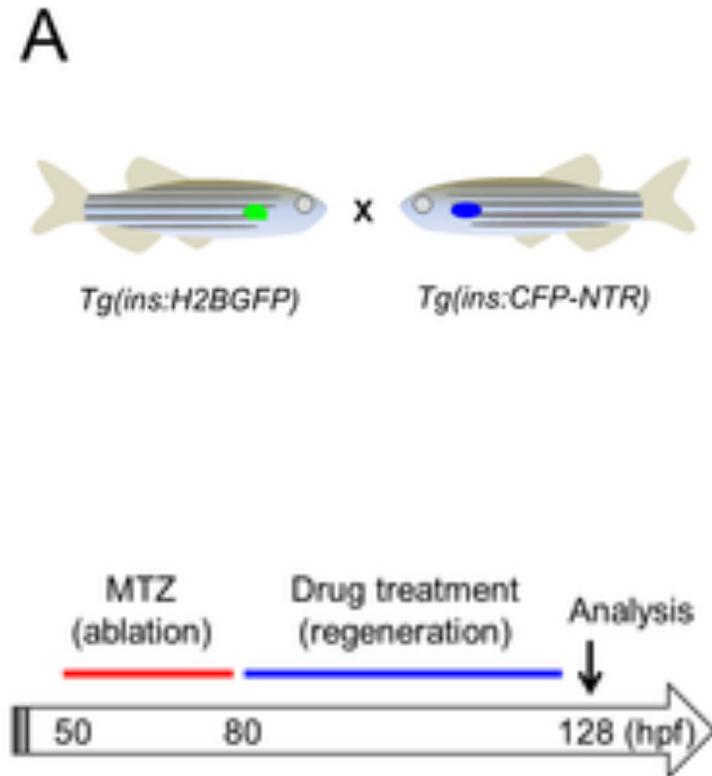


Retinoic acid and prednisolone significantly **increase beta-cell proliferation** during feeding metabolism

Could the compounds also promote **beta-cell regeneration**?



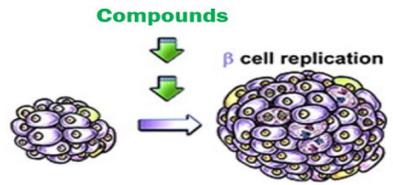
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Retinoic acid and Prednisolone significantly promoted **beta-cell regeneration**

Summary

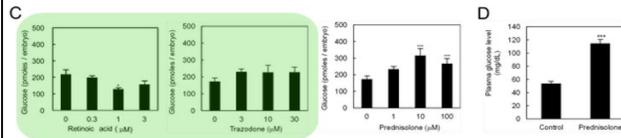
What was the goal of this study?



To identify **compounds** which **increased beta-cell proliferation**

Compounds which increased beta-cell proliferation were identified

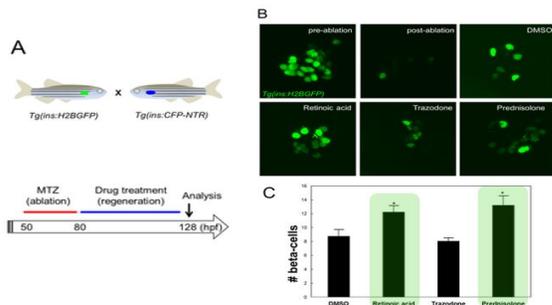
Did the compounds promote beta-cell proliferation without causing **hyperglycemia**?



Retinoic acid and Trazadone promoted beta cell proliferation **without causing hyperglycemia**

Retinoic acid and Trazadone promoted beta-cell proliferation without hyperglycemia

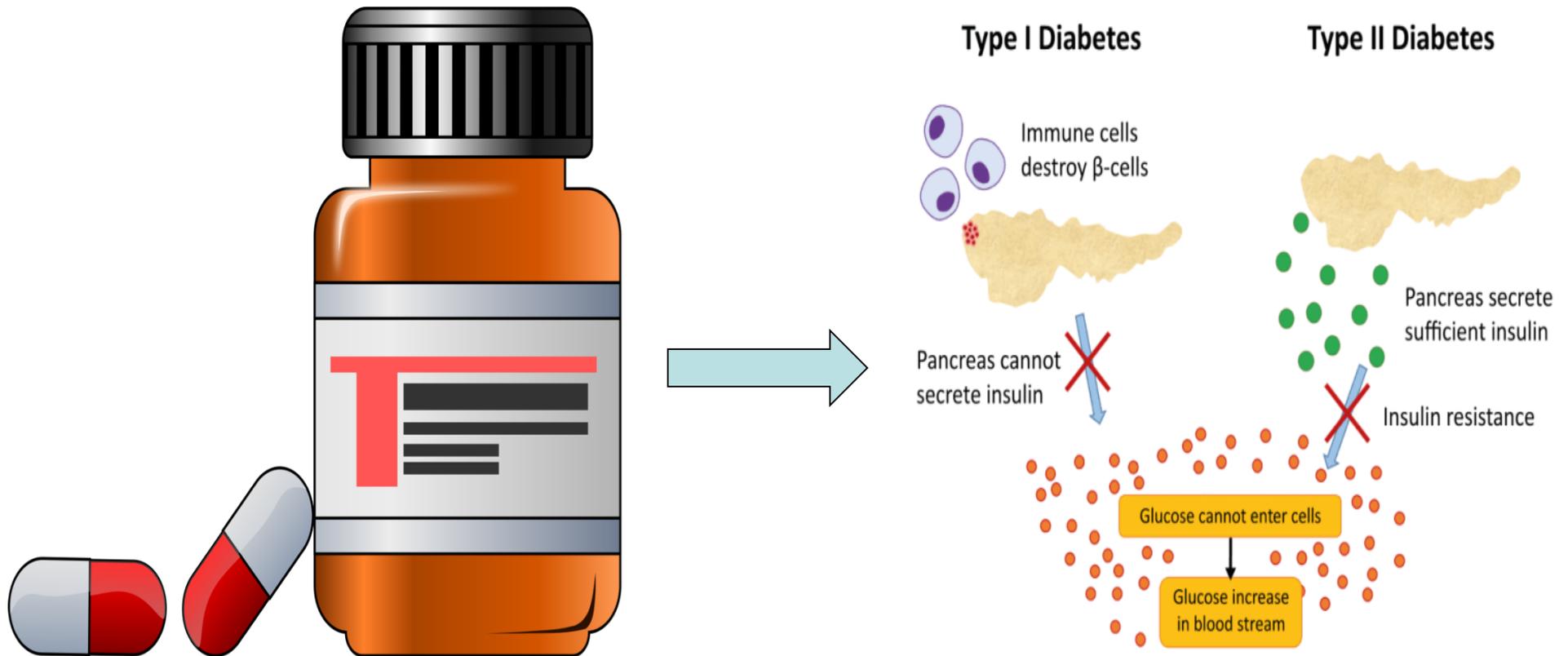
Could the compounds also promote **beta-cell regeneration**?



Retinoic acid and Prednisolone significantly promoted **beta-cell regeneration**

Retinoic acid and Prednisolone even promoted beta-cell regeneration

What is the importance of this study?



New therapeutic drugs to promote beta-cell proliferation and regeneration in diabetics

Any Questions?



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