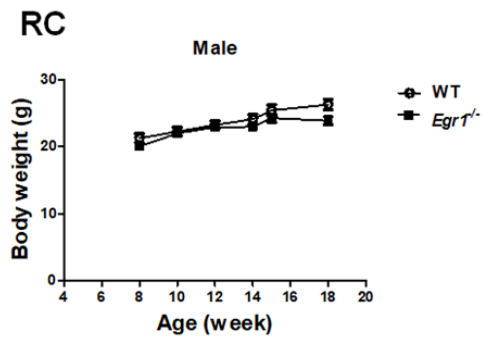


Figure S1

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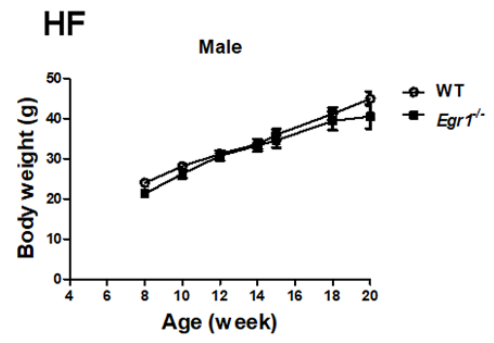


Figure S1. The body weights of 2-month-old male mice fed (A) RC and (B) a HF diet for 3 months. WT RC,  $n=3$ ; *Egr1*<sup>-/-</sup> RC,  $n=4$ ; WT HF,  $n=6$ ; *Egr1*<sup>-/-</sup> HF,  $n=11$ .

Figure S2

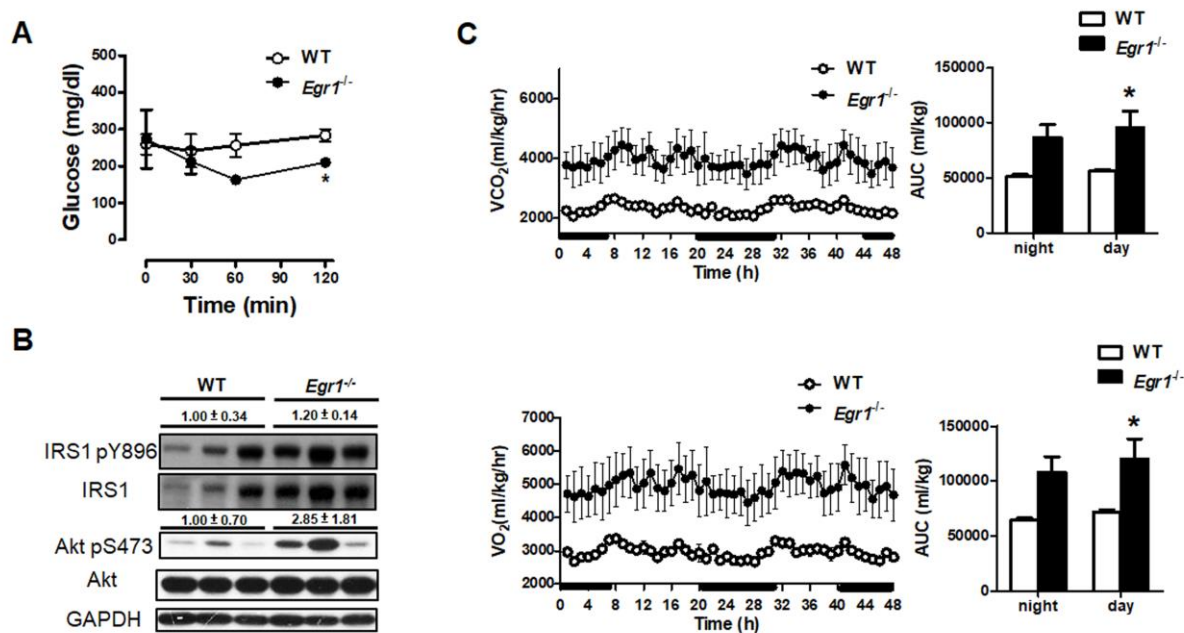


Figure S2. *Egr1*<sup>-/-</sup> mice are protected from diet-induced insulin resistance. **A**: Plasma glucose levels during insulin tolerance test in 5-month-old male mice fed a HF diet for 3 months. WT, n=5; *Egr1*<sup>-/-</sup>, n=3. \**P*<0.05 compared to WT. **B**: Immunoblot analyses on phosphorylation at Tyr896 of IRS1 and Ser473 of Akt in the liver of 5-month-old male mice fed a HF diet for 3 months. Each band represents a tissue extract from a single mouse. The intensities of the bands, quantified densitometrically relative to WT, are shown. \**P*<0.05, \*\**P*<0.01 and \*\*\**P*<0.001 for *Egr1*<sup>-/-</sup> mice compared with WT mice. **C**: Oxygen consumption (VO<sub>2</sub>; upper panels) and carbon dioxide production (VCO<sub>2</sub>; lower panels) and their mean AUC of HF-fed male mice in indirect calorimetry over 48 h (n=3 in each group). Bold bars on the x-axes represent the dark phases.

Figure S3

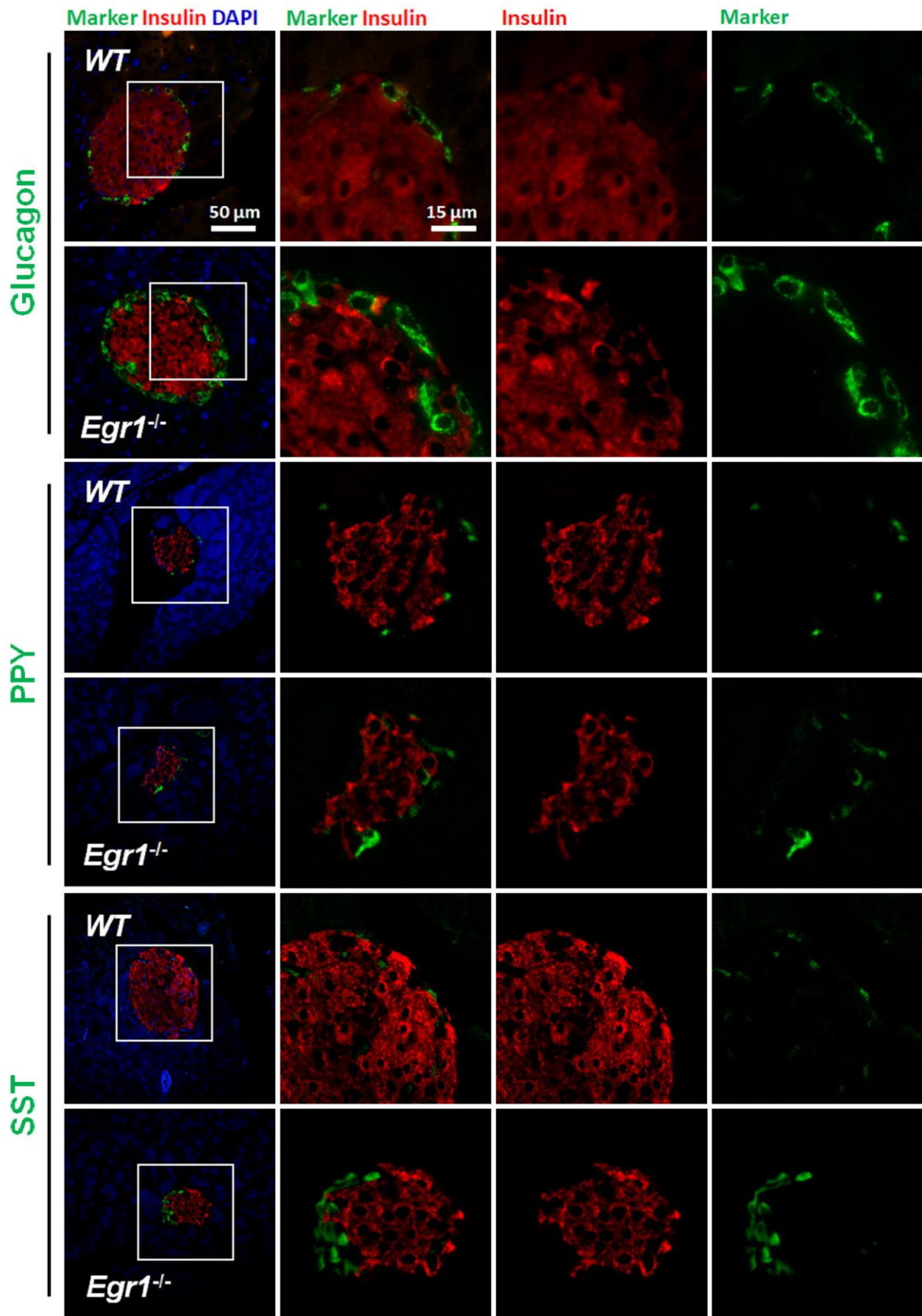


Figure S3. Loss of  $\beta$ -cell identity in the islets of RC-fed *Egr1*<sup>-/-</sup> mice. Confocal images of co-staining for the markers of  $\beta$ -cell (insulin) in *red* with  $\alpha$ -cell (glucagon), PP-cell (pancreatic polypeptide, PPY), or  $\delta$ -cell (somatostatin, SST) in *green* in the pancreas of 5-month-old RC-fed mice. The enlarged images highlight the representative co-localization with 3 $\times$  magnification from white squares in the overlay images.

Figure S4

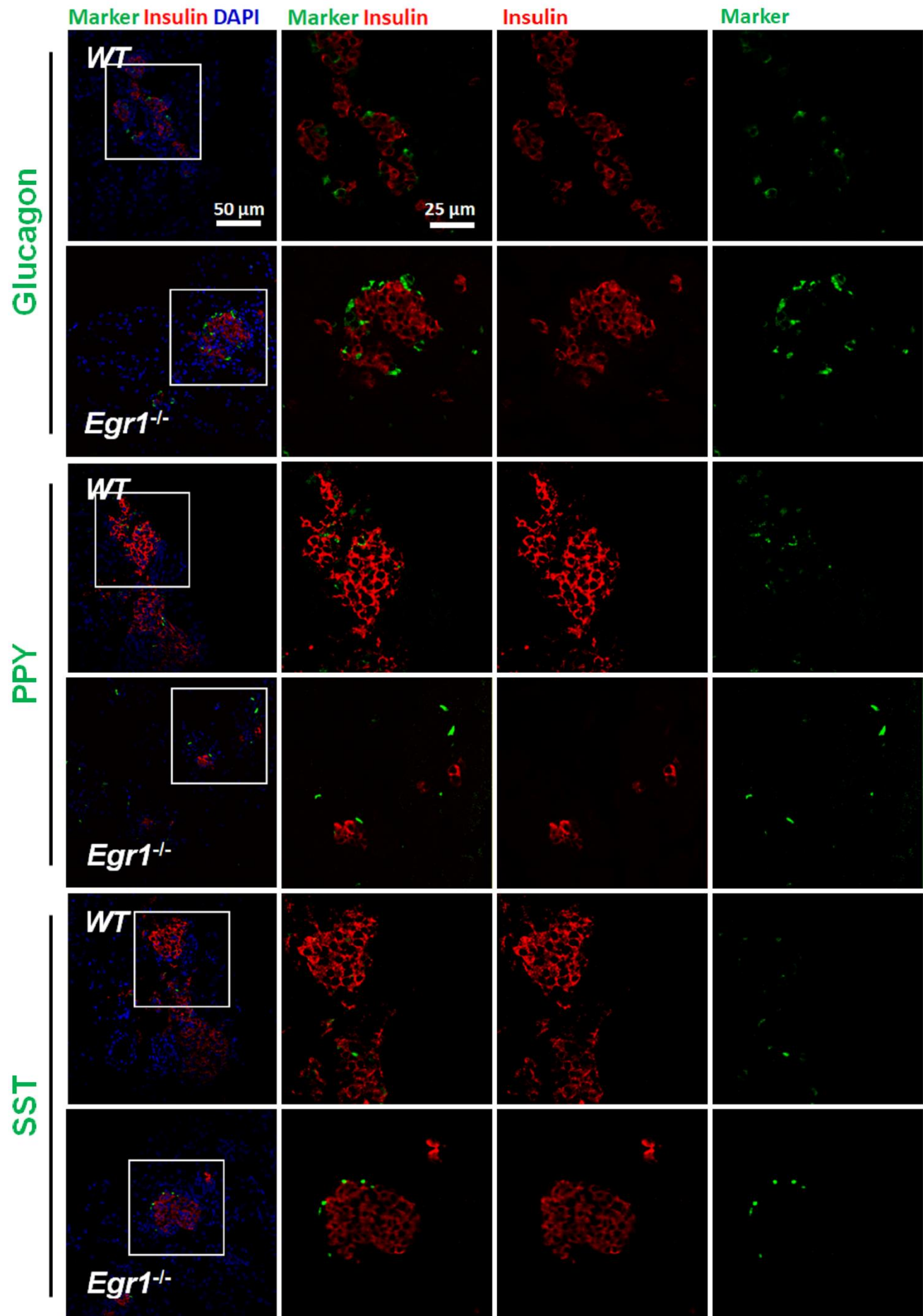


Figure S4. Loss of  $\beta$ -cell identity in the islets of neonatal *Egr1*<sup>-/-</sup> mice. Confocal images of co-staining for the markers of  $\beta$ -cell (insulin) in *red* with  $\alpha$ -cell (glucagon), PP-cell (pancreatic polypeptide, PPY), or  $\delta$ -cell (somatostatin, SST) in *green* in the pancreas of postpartum day 1 (P1) neonatal mice. The enlarged images highlight the representative co-localization with 2 $\times$  magnification from white squares in the overlay images.

Figure S5

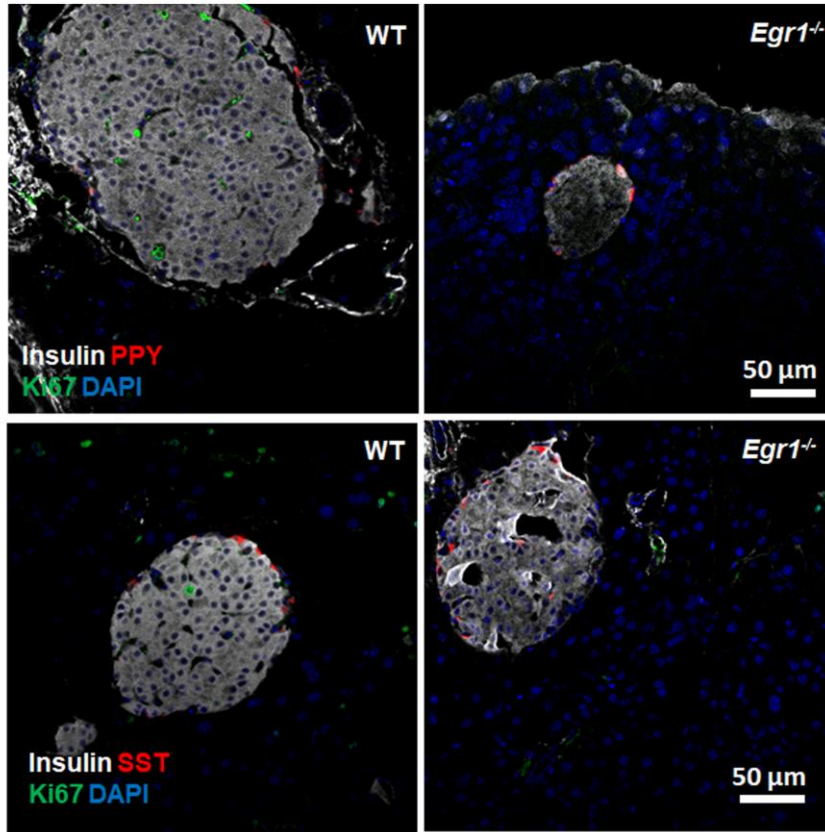


Figure S5. Ki67-positive PP- and  $\delta$ -cells were not observed in HF-fed *Egr1*<sup>-/-</sup> mice. Immunofluorescence staining for Ki67 (green) with PPY or SST (red) and insulin (white) in the pancreas of 5-month-old male mice fed a HF diet for 3 months. Scale bar: 50  $\mu$ m.



**Figure S6**

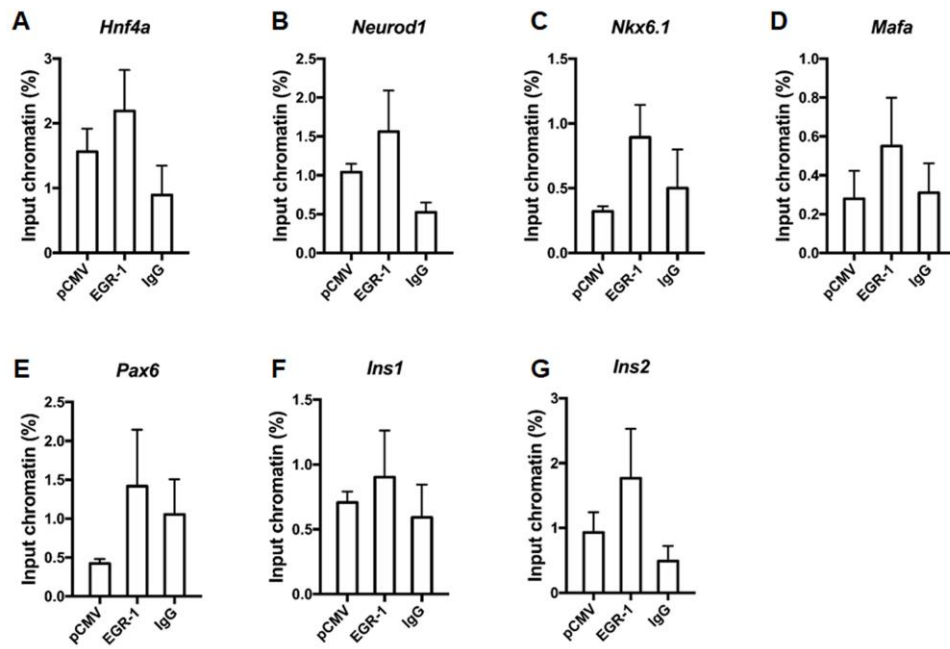


Figure S6. Chromatin immunoprecipitation assay in EGR-1 overexpressed and control (pCMV) MIN6 cells. Sequences containing the EGR-1 binding sites in potential target genes were amplified by real-time polymerase chain reaction.  $n=3$  in each group.



## Figure S7

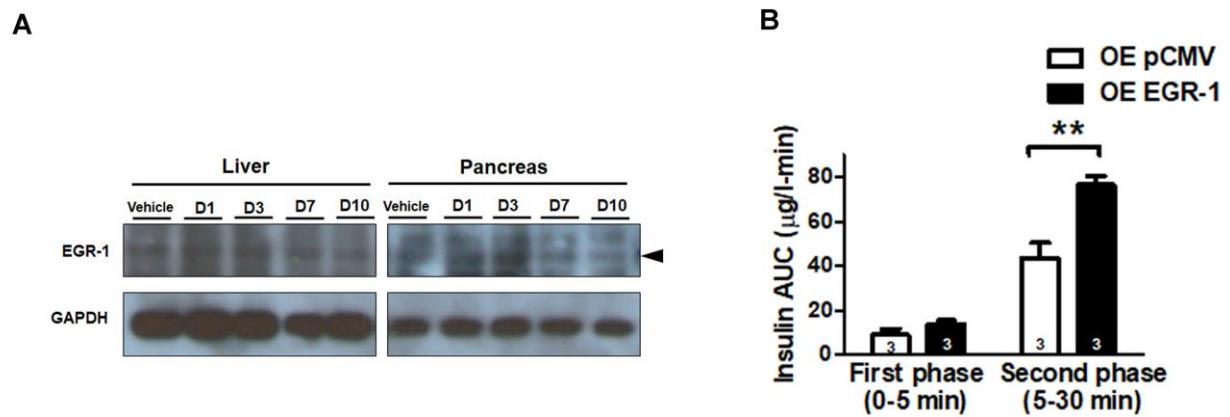


Figure S7. Overexpression of EGR-1 in mice. **A:** Immunoblot analysis on EGR-1 protein in WT mice received a single dose of EGR-1 plasmid (10 µg pCMV-EGR-1 plasmid/1.6 ml saline/mouse). The animals were euthanized at days 0, 1, 3, 7, or 10 after plasmid administration. Liver and pancreas tissues were analyzed for EGR-1 protein. **B:** *In vivo* glucose-stimulated insulin secretion (GSIS) in HF-fed WT mice received EGR-1 plasmid or empty vector pCMV (35 µg plasmid/1.6 ml saline/mouse) after oral challenge of glucose (4 g/kg body weight). Acute *in vivo* insulin secretion assay was performed at day 3 after plasmid administration. \*\* $P < 0.01$ .

**Figure S8**

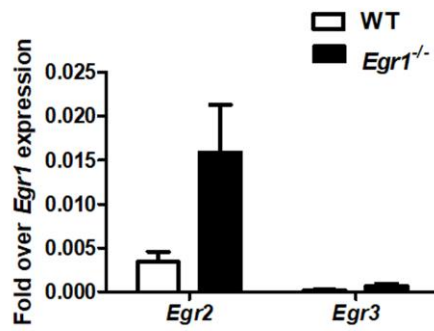


Figure S8. mRNA levels of EGR-2 and EGR-3 in the isolated islets of HF-fed *Egr1*<sup>-/-</sup> ( $n=9$ ) and WT ( $n=5$ ) mice. mRNA levels are expressed relative to the average expression of EGR-1 in WT mice.

**Table S1. Sequences of primers used for real-time PCR.**

<b>Gene</b>		<b>Sequence</b>	<b>Amplicon</b>
<i>Egr1</i>	Forward	GAACAACCCTATGAGCACCTGAC	101 bp
	Reverse	CGAGTCGTTTGGCTGGGATA	
<i>Ins1</i>	Forward	TATAAAGCTGGTGGGCATCC	186 bp
	Reverse	GGGACCACAAAGATGCTGTT	
<i>Ins2</i>	Forward	TTTGTCAAGCAGCACCTTTG	316 bp
	Reverse	GGTCTGAAGGTCACCTGCTC	
<i>Hnf1b</i>	Forward	CCCAGCAATCTCAGAACCTC	118 bp
	Reverse	AGGCTGCTAGCCACACTGTT	
<i>Hnf1a</i>	Forward	ACCACTGCATCCCTCCTATCA	129 bp
	Reverse	ACCTCAGGCTTGTGGCTGTAT	
<i>Hnf3b</i>	Forward	TCCGACTGGAGCAGCTACTAC	366 bp
	Reverse	GCGCCACATAGGATGACA	
<i>Hnf4a</i>	Forward	GTTTAGCCGACAATGTGTGG	114 bp
	Reverse	TCCCGCTCATTTTGGACAG	
<i>Mafa</i>	Forward	CATCCGACTGAAACAGAAGC	200 bp
	Reverse	CCGCCAACTTCTCGTATTT	
<i>Pdx1</i>	Forward	GGATGAAATCCACCAAAGCTC	79 bp
	Reverse	TTGTTTTCTCGGGTTCCGC	
<i>Nkx6.1</i>	Forward	GGACCAGAGAGAGCACGC	212 bp
	Reverse	TTCGGGTCCAGAGTTTG	
<i>Gck</i>	Forward	GCACACGTGGTGCTTTTGAG	66 bp
	Reverse	GCCTTCGGTCCCCAGAGT	
<i>Mafb</i>	Forward	CCACCTCTTGCTACGTGTGA	199 bp
	Reverse	ACTGTACAACGGAAGGGACTTG	
<i>Pax6</i>	Forward	GCACATGCAAACACACATGA	96 bp
	Reverse	ACTTGGACGGGAACTGACAC	
<i>Pax4</i>	Forward	TCCTGTGGCTTCCTCCTCATA	129 bp
	Reverse	GAGGCCTCTTATGGCCAGTTT	
<i>Neurod1</i>	Forward	AGGAATTCGCCACGCAGAAG	244 bp
	Reverse	CTCCTCTGCATTCATGGCTTCAAG	
<i>Neurog3</i>	Forward	GAGTTGGCACTCAGCAAACA	193 bp
	Reverse	TCTGAGTCAGTGCCCAGATG	
<i>Gcg</i>	Forward	ACCTGGACTCCCGCCGTGCCCA	197 bp
	Reverse	TCGCCTTCCTCGGCCTTTCACCAGCC	
<i>Arx</i>	Forward	GTTACCGCTTGTCTGAGC	232 bp
	Reverse	GGCTCCCAGAAGCCTCATTT	
<i>Sst</i>	Forward	AGGACCTGCGACTAGACTGA	161 bp
	Reverse	GAAACTGACGGAGTCTGGGG	

<i>Ppy</i>	Forward	TAGCTCAGCACACAGGATGG	203 bp
	Reverse	GCCTGGTCAGTGTGTTGATG	
<i>Nkx2.2</i>	Forward	ACAACCCCTACACTCGCTG	214 bp
	Reverse	TAGGTCTGCGCTTTGGAGAAG	
<i>Glut2</i>	Forward	GTCCAGAAAGCCCCAGATACC	94 bp
	Reverse	GTGACATCCTCAGTTCCTCTTAG	
<i>Gck</i>	Forward	GCACACGTGGTGCTTTTGAG	66 bp
	Reverse	GCCTTCGGTCCCCAGAGT	
<i>Kcnj11</i>	Forward	GCTGCATCTTCATGAAAACG	298 bp
	Reverse	TTGGAGTCGATGACGTGGTA	
<i>Abcc8</i>	Forward	GGAAGGACTCACCACCATC	247 bp
	Reverse	GAGACCATCAAGGCGTAGG	
<i>Pcna</i>	Forward	TAAAGAAGAGGAGGCGGTAA	175 bp
	Reverse	TAAGTGTCCCATGTCAGCAA	
<i>Cdk1</i>	Forward	GGACCTCAAGAAGTACCTGGAC	90 bp
	Reverse	CCCTGGAGGATTTGGTGTAAAG	
<i>Ccna2</i>	Forward	AGCAATGTTTTTGGGAGAAC	156 bp
	Reverse	AGGGTATATCCAGTCTGTTG	
<i>Ccnd1</i>	Forward	GCTGCAAATGGAAGTCTTC	191 bp
	Reverse	AGGGTGGGTTGAAATGAAC	
<i>Mki67</i>	Forward	GCAGGTTAGCACTGTTATGAAAAC	115 bp
	Reverse	GGGCCTTGGCTGTTTTACATT	
<i>Cdk5r1</i>	Forward	GCCCTTCCTGGTAGAGAGCTG	113 bp
	Reverse	GTGTGAAATAGTGTGGGTCGGC	
<i>Egr2</i>	Forward	TCAGTGGTTTTATGCACCAGC	197 bp
	Reverse	GAAGCTACTCGGATACGGGAG	
<i>Egr3</i>	Forward	GTAGCCCATTACAATCAGATGGC	58 bp
	Reverse	CGTTGGTCAGACCGATGTCC	
<i>PDX1</i>	Forward	ATGAAGTCTACCAAAGCTCACG	208 bp
	Reverse	TGATGTGTCTCTCGGTCAAGTT	
<i>CCND1</i>	Forward	GAAGATCGTCGCCACCTG	61 bp
	Reverse	GACCTCCTCCTCGCACTTCT	
<i>INS</i>	Forward	CCTTTGTGAACCAACACCTG	223 bp
	Reverse	CTGGTACAGCATTGTTCCAC	
<i>GCK</i>	Forward	CATCTCTGAGTGCATCTCCGACT	253 bp
	Reverse	CGTGGCCACCGTGTCAATC	
<i>EGR1</i>	Forward	GCAGCAGCAGCACCTTCAA	112 bp
	Reverse	GGTAACTGGTCTCCACCAGCAC	

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**Table S2. Sequences of primers used for CHIP-PCR.**

Gene	Sequence	Amplicon	Predicted binding site <sup>1</sup>	Other gene <sup>2</sup>
<i>Pdx1</i>	F TGGCCACTAGGTAGATTATCTGTG	155 bp	-1697	0
	R TGCCTCAATGAGTCCATTGTTTCAG			
<i>Arx</i>	F GCGTGCCAGCTGCTAATC	150 bp	-8	0
	R GTCTCTCTGCTCCACGTGCT			
<i>Hnf4a</i>	F GGGAAAGGGTGTACACAATGA	173 bp	26487 (intron 1)	0
	R AAGAGGCCTTCGAGGAGAAA			
<i>Neurod1</i>	F GAACCACGTGACCTGCCTAT	105 bp	-263	0
	R GTCCGCGGAGTCTCTAACTG			
<i>Nkx6.1</i>	F GGGGACAGAGCACAAACG	177 bp	67 (exon 1)	0
	R TCCTTTTCGATCCGGCTAGT			
<i>Mafa</i>	F CGCCCTCATTTGCCTATC	173 bp	-478	0
	R GAATCTGCCACTTGGTCTCG			
<i>Pax6</i>	F GAACCTAAGGACAGGCTACGG	154 bp	-222	0
	R CTCCCTGAGGTTCGGCTTA			
<i>Ins1</i>	F AGCAGGGCTTCTTACCCATT	189 bp	-1121518	0
	R GGGTATAGGGGCGAAAGACT			
<i>Ins2</i>	F AAGCTGTGGCTACCCTACCA	171 bp	161 (exon 2)	0
	R GCATCTGCTCCCTCTACCAG			

\*F, forward; R, reverse.

<sup>1</sup>Location of predicted EGR-1 binding region for primer design.

<sup>2</sup>Number of other genes between predicted EGR-1 binding region and target gene.