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SARS-CoV-2 infection induces

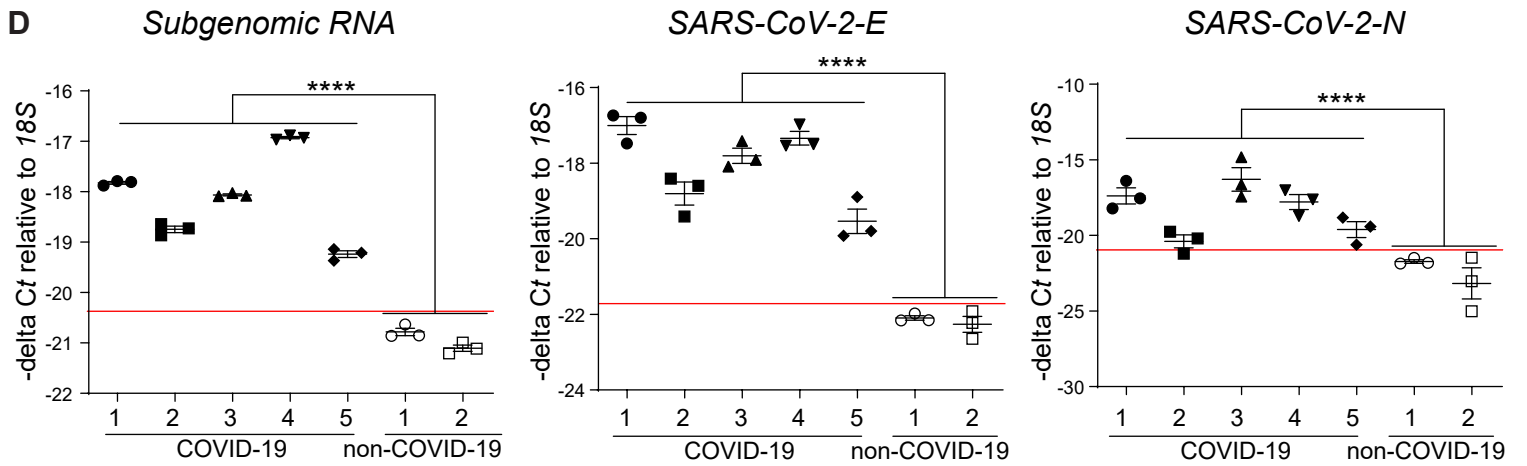
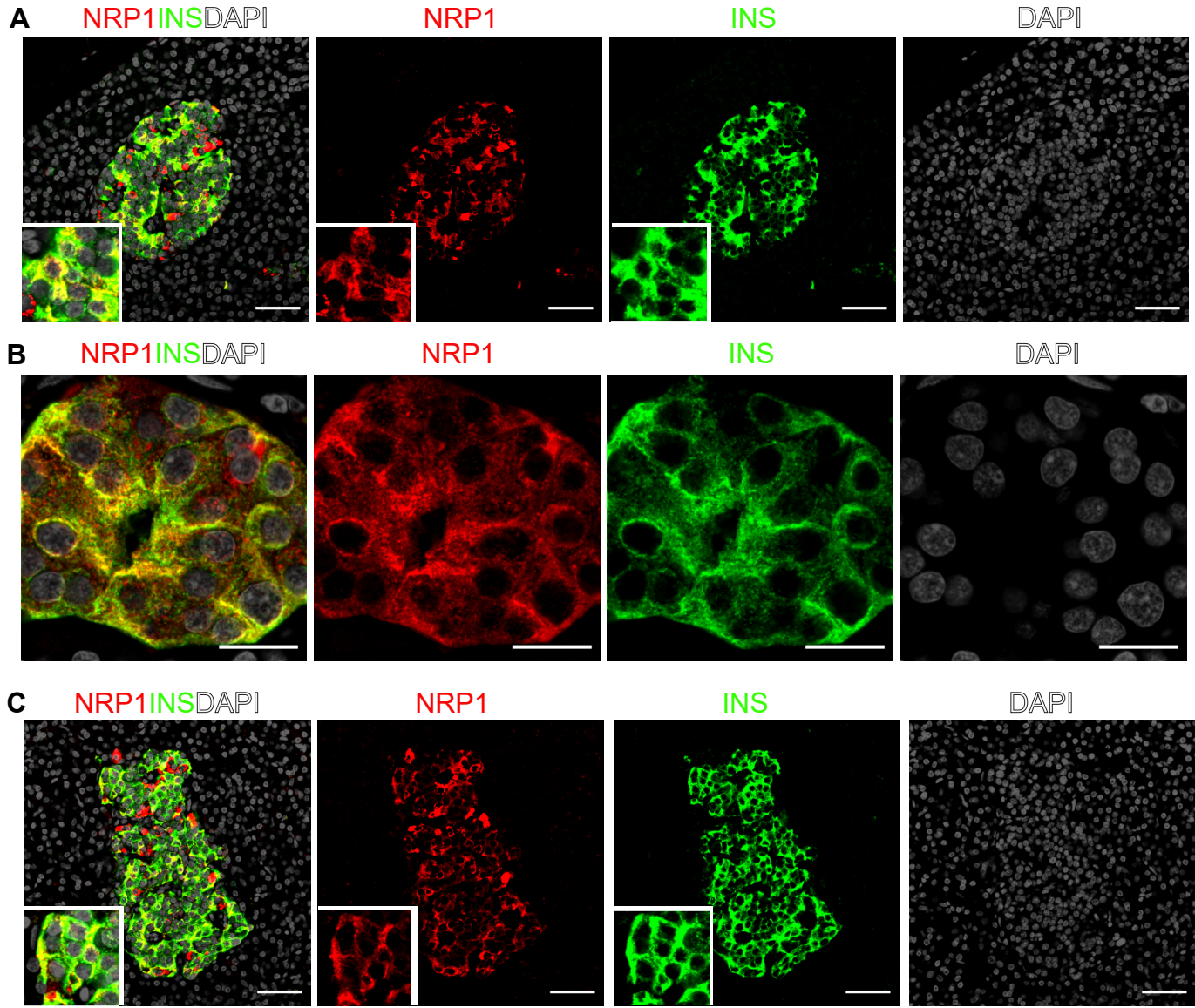
beta cell transdifferentiation

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Supplemental Figure S1-S7 and Tables S1-S5.

Figure S1



SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURES.

Figure S1. Related to Figure 1 and 2. Immunostaining and qRT-PCR analysis of the autopsy pancreas samples of a non-COVID-19 and COVID-19 subjects.

(A) A representative image of NRP1 expression in the autopsy pancreas sample of a non-COVID-19 subject. 20X confocal image using NRP1 antibody from abcam. The insert represents a high-resolution image from the larger field. Scale bar = 50 μm . ($n = 6$ images examined in total) Red: NRP1; Green: INS; Grey: DAPI.

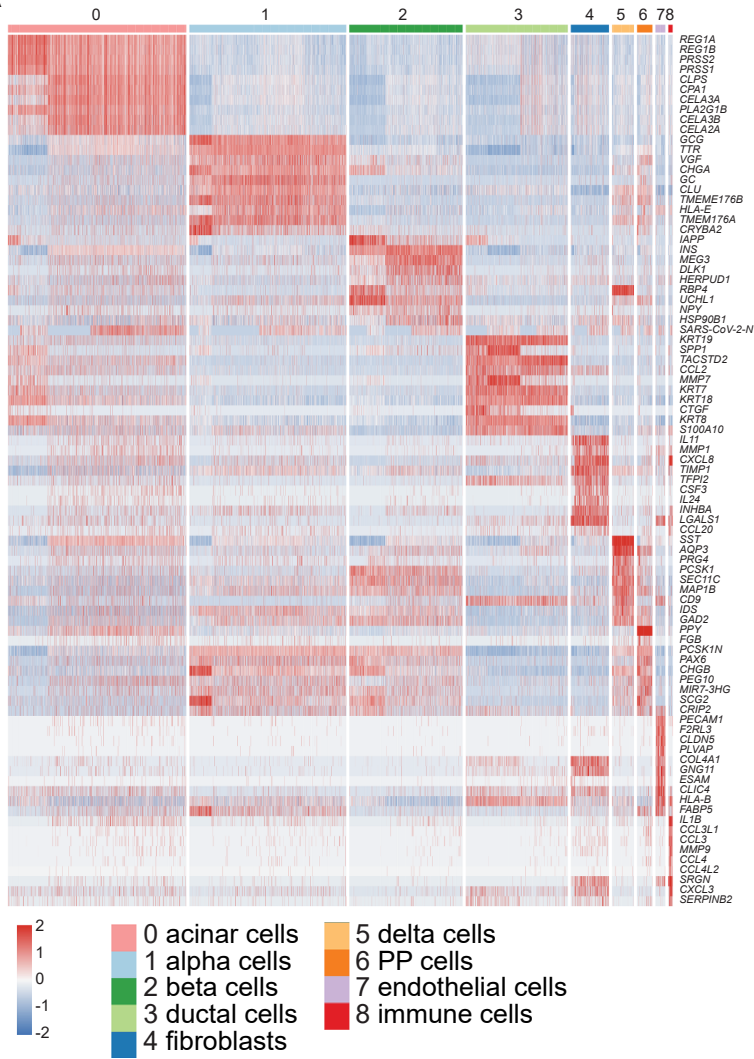
(B) A representative image of NRP1 in the autopsy pancreas sample of a non-COVID-19 subject. 63X confocal image using NRP1 antibody from NOVUS. Scale bar = 20 μm . ($n = 2$ images examined in total) Red: NRP1; Green: INS; Grey: DAPI.

(C) A representative image of NRP1 in the autopsy pancreas sample of a non-COVID-19 subject. 20X confocal image using NRP1 antibody from NOVUS. The insert represents a high-resolution image from the larger field. Scale bar = 50 μm . ($n = 6$ images examined in total) Red: NRP1; Green: INS; Grey: DAPI.

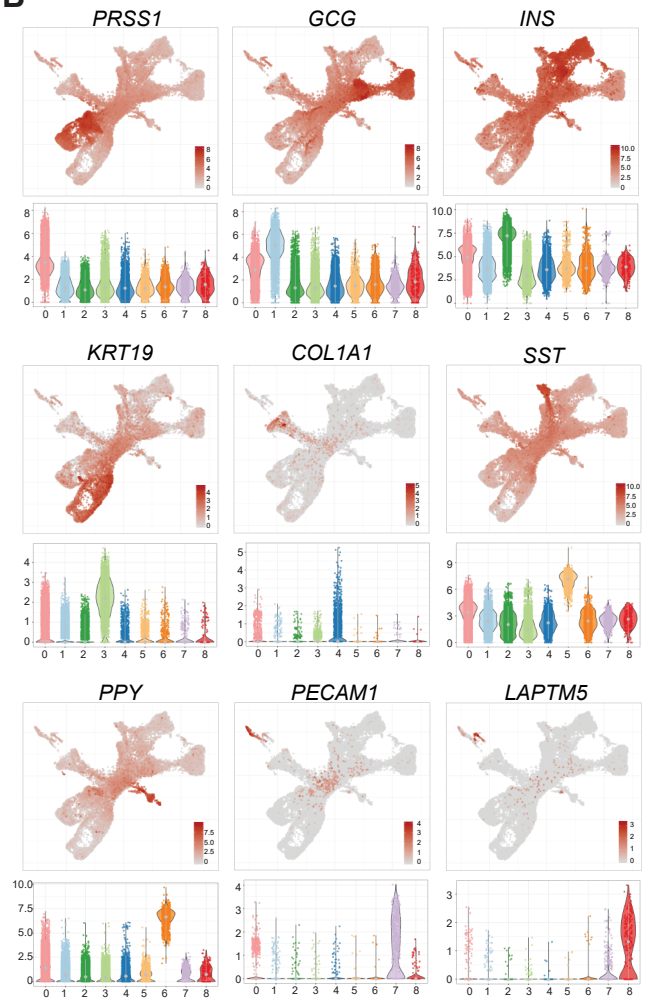
(D) qRT-PCR analysis of *subgenomic RNA*, *SARS-CoV-2-E*, *SARS-CoV-2-N* in the autopsy pancreas samples of non-COVID-19 and COVID-19 subjects. $-\Delta\text{Ct} = \text{Ct}(18\text{S}) - \text{Ct}(\text{subgenomic RNA, SARS-CoV-2-E, or SARS-CoV-2-N})$. Red line highlights the detection limit. Data was presented as mean \pm STDEV. P values were calculated by one-way ANOVA, **** $P < 0.0001$.

Figure S2

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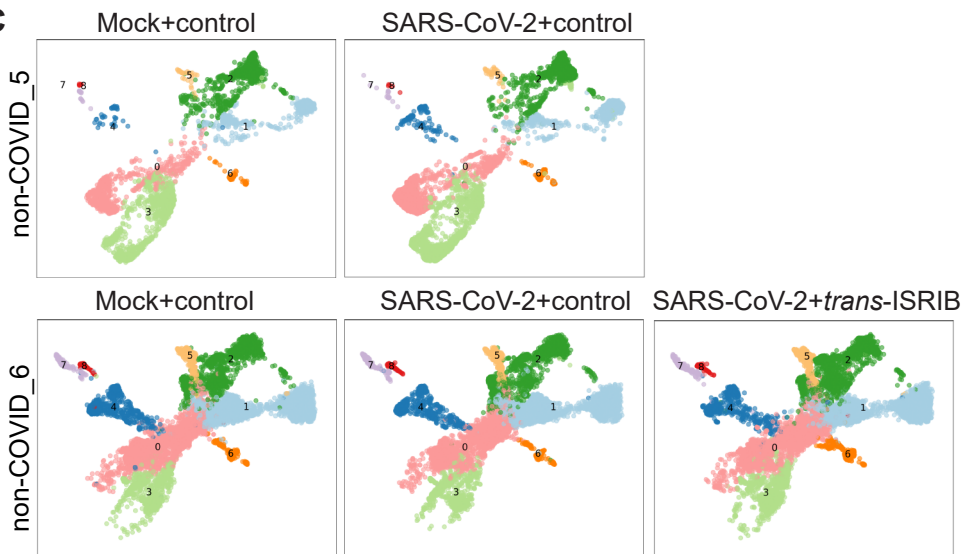


Figure S2. Related to Figure 2. Single-cell RNA-seq analysis of mock versus SARS-CoV-2 infected human islets.

(A) Heatmap showing relative expression of top 10 markers defining the nine cell types in human islets. ($n = 2$ individual islet donors).

(B) UMAP and violin plots showing expression levels of pancreatic cell markers. ($n = 2$ individual islet donors).

(C) UMAP of human islets by conditions.

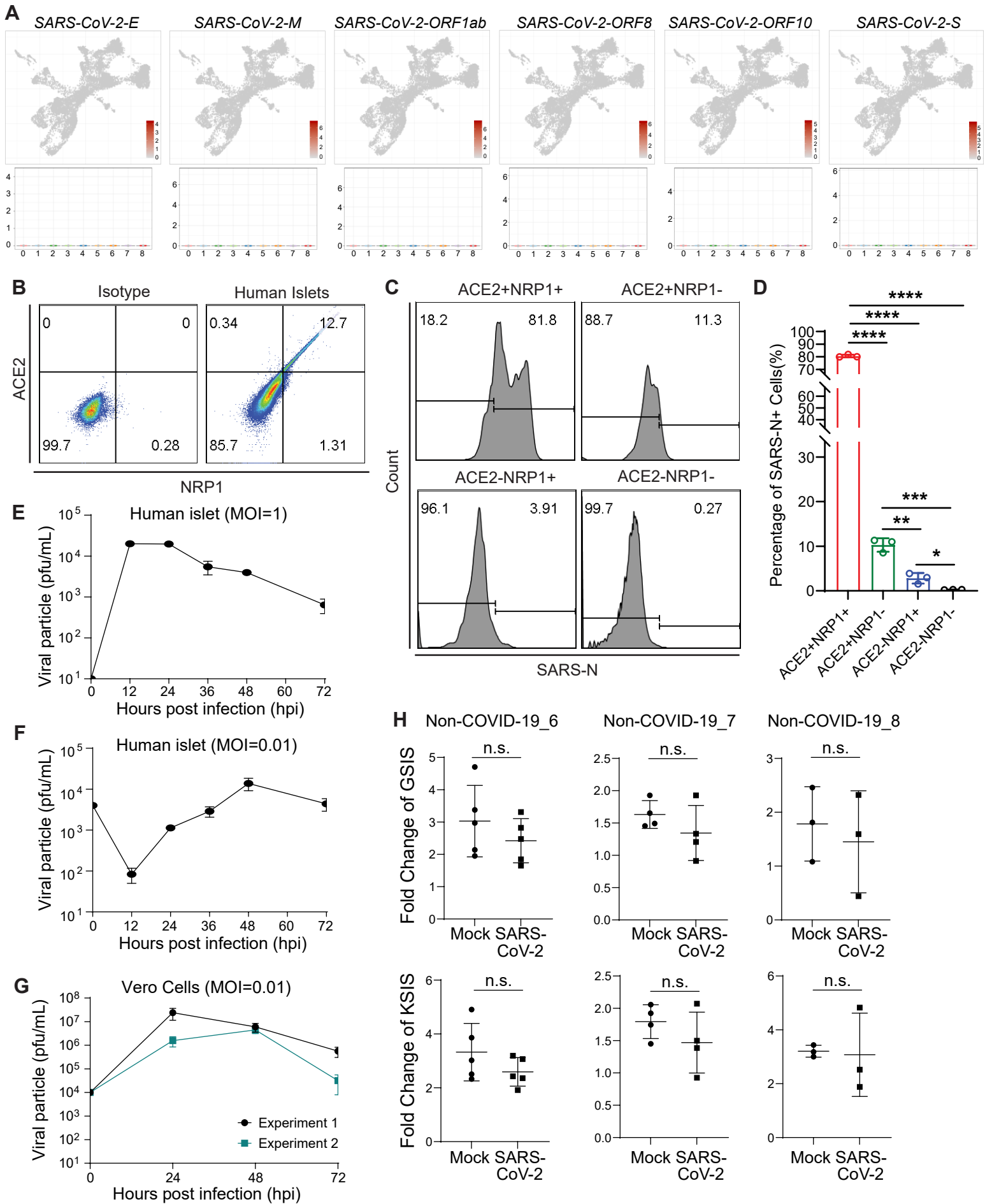
Figure S3

Figure S3. Related to Figure 2. SARS-CoV-2 infects multiple types of human pancreatic cells.

(A) UMAP and violin plots showing the expression levels of SARS-CoV-2 genes of mock infected human islets. ($n = 2$ individual islet donors).

(B and C) Flow cytometry analysis of SARS-CoV-2 (MOI=1) infected human islets at 48 hpi. Gating strategy of ACE2 and NRP1 (B). SARS-N expression in ACE2⁺/NRP1⁺, ACE2⁻/NRP1⁺, ACE2⁺/NRP1⁻, and ACE2⁻/NRP1⁻ cells (C). $n = 3$ replicates.

(D) Quantification of SARS-N⁺ percentage in ACE2⁺/NRP1⁺, ACE2⁺/NRP1⁻, ACE2⁻/NRP1⁺, and ACE2⁻/NRP1⁻ cells.

(E) Plaque assays of SARS-CoV-2 (MOI=1) infected human islets at 12, 24, 36, 48, 60, and 72 hpi ($n = 3$ replicates per time point) with replacement of media and 3 times washes after initial 3 hr infection.

(F) Plaque assays of SARS-CoV-2 (MOI=0.01) infected human islets at 12, 24, 36, 48, 60 and 72 hpi ($n = 3$ replicates per time point).

(G) Plaque assays of SARS-CoV-2 (MOI=0.01) infected Vero cells at 24, 48, and 72 hpi ($n = 3$ replicates per time points from two individual experiments).

(H) Fold change of glucose stimulated insulin secretion (GSIS) or KCl stimulated insulin secretion (KSIS) of SARS-CoV-2 (MOI=1) infected human islets. Human islets from non-COVID-19_6 ($n = 5$ replicates per condition) and non-COVID-19_7 ($n = 4$ replicates per condition) were analyzed at 48 hpi. Human islets from non-COVID-19_8 ($n = 3$ replicates per condition) were analyzed at 72 hpi.

Data was presented as mean \pm STDEV. P values were calculated by two-way ANOVA. * $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$, *** $P < 0.001$ and **** $P < 0.0001$.

Figure S4

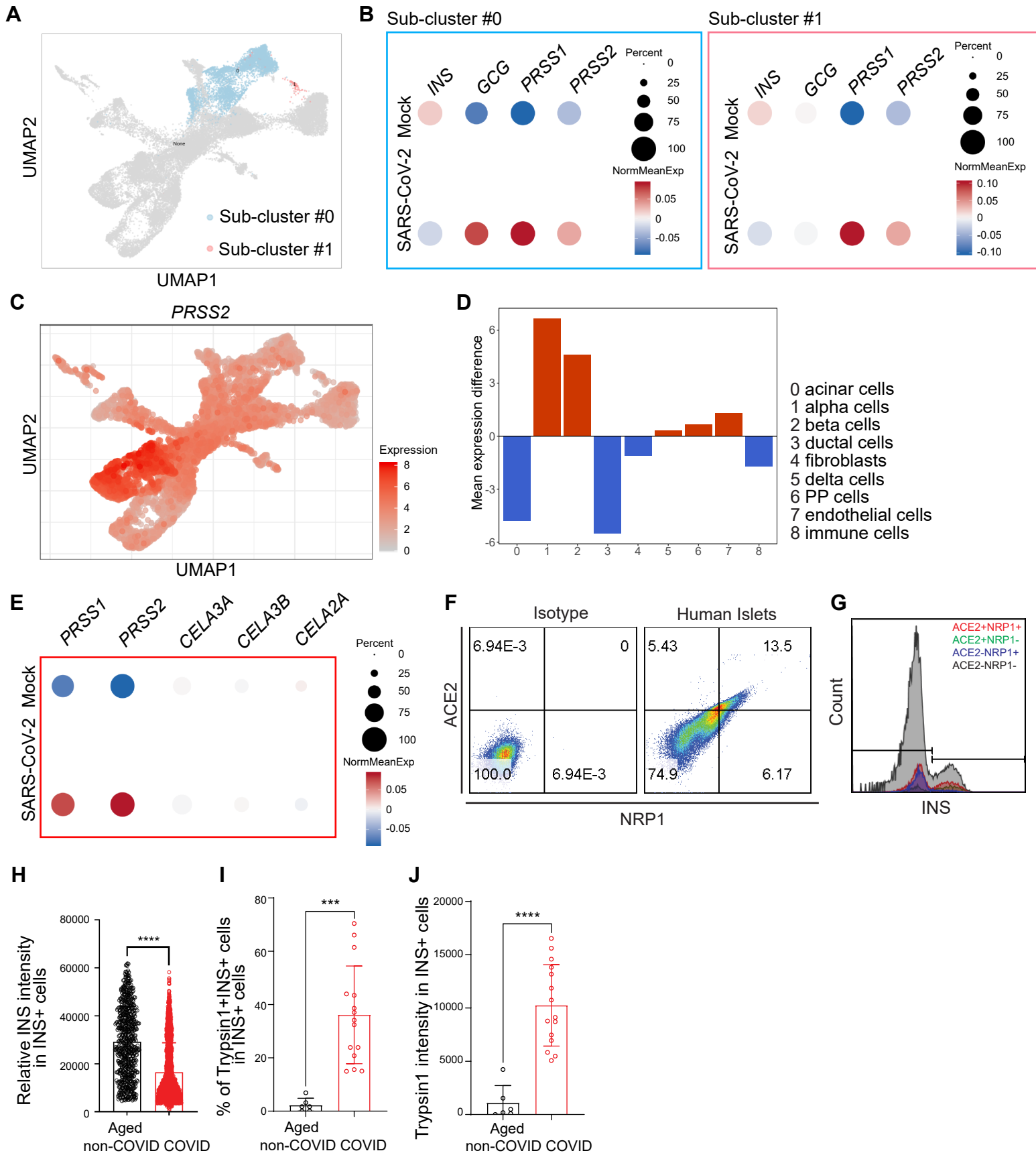


Figure S4. Related to Figure 4. Human beta cells undergo transdifferentiation upon SARS-CoV-2 infection.

(A) UMAP plot showing the two sub-clusters of beta cell population. ($n = 2$ individual islet donors).

(B) Dot blot illustrating expression level of *INS*, *GCG*, *PRSS1*, *PRSS2* in two sub-clusters of mock versus SARS-CoV-2-infected human islets at 24 hpi (MOI=1). Dot size shows the fraction of cells with non-zero expression; Dot color indicates the relative expression level in the two conditions. ($n = 2$ individual islet donors).

(C) UMAP plot showing the expression level of *PRSS2* of SARS-CoV-2 infected human islets. ($n = 2$ individual islet donors).

(D) Bar plot illustrating mean expression difference of *PRSS2* between mock and SARS-CoV-2 infected cells in different clusters of human islets; Bar color indicates increased (red) or decreased (blue) expression in the SARS-CoV-2 infected cells. ($n = 2$ individual islet donors).

(E) Dot blot illustrating expression level of acinar cell markers, including *PRSS1*, *PRSS2*, *CELA3A*, *CELA3B*, *CELA2A* in beta cell cluster of mock versus SARS-CoV-2-infected human islets at 24 hpi (MOI=1). Dot size shows the fraction of cells with non-zero expression; Dot color indicates the relative expression level in the two conditions. ($n = 2$ individual islet donors).

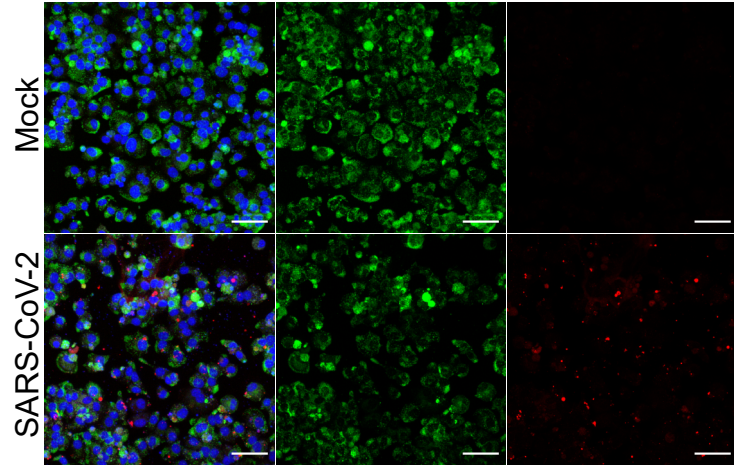
(F and G) Flow cytometry analysis of SARS-CoV-2 (MOI=1) infected human islets at 48 hpi. Gating strategy of ACE2 and NRP1 (F). Insulin expression in ACE2⁺/NRP1⁺, ACE2⁺/NRP1⁻, ACE2⁻/NRP1⁺, and ACE2⁻/NRP1⁻ cells (G). ($n = 3$ replicates).

(H-J) Quantification of the relative *INS* intensity in *INS*⁺ cells (H), the percentage of Tpsin1⁺*INS*⁺ cells in *INS*⁺ cells (I) and the average Tpsin1 intensity in *INS*⁺ cells (J) of autopsy samples of COVID-19 subjects or age-matched non-COVID-19 subjects. Three images of each sample were used for quantification for each subject ($n = 2$ individual non-COVID-19 subjects; $n = 5$ individual COVID-19 subjects).

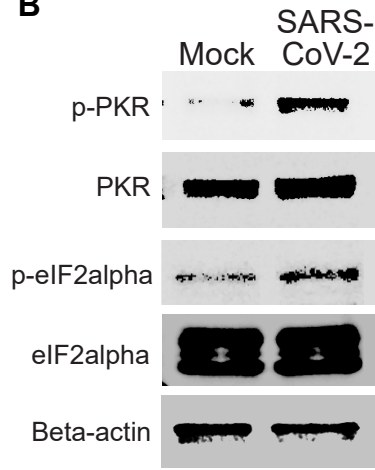
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Figure S5

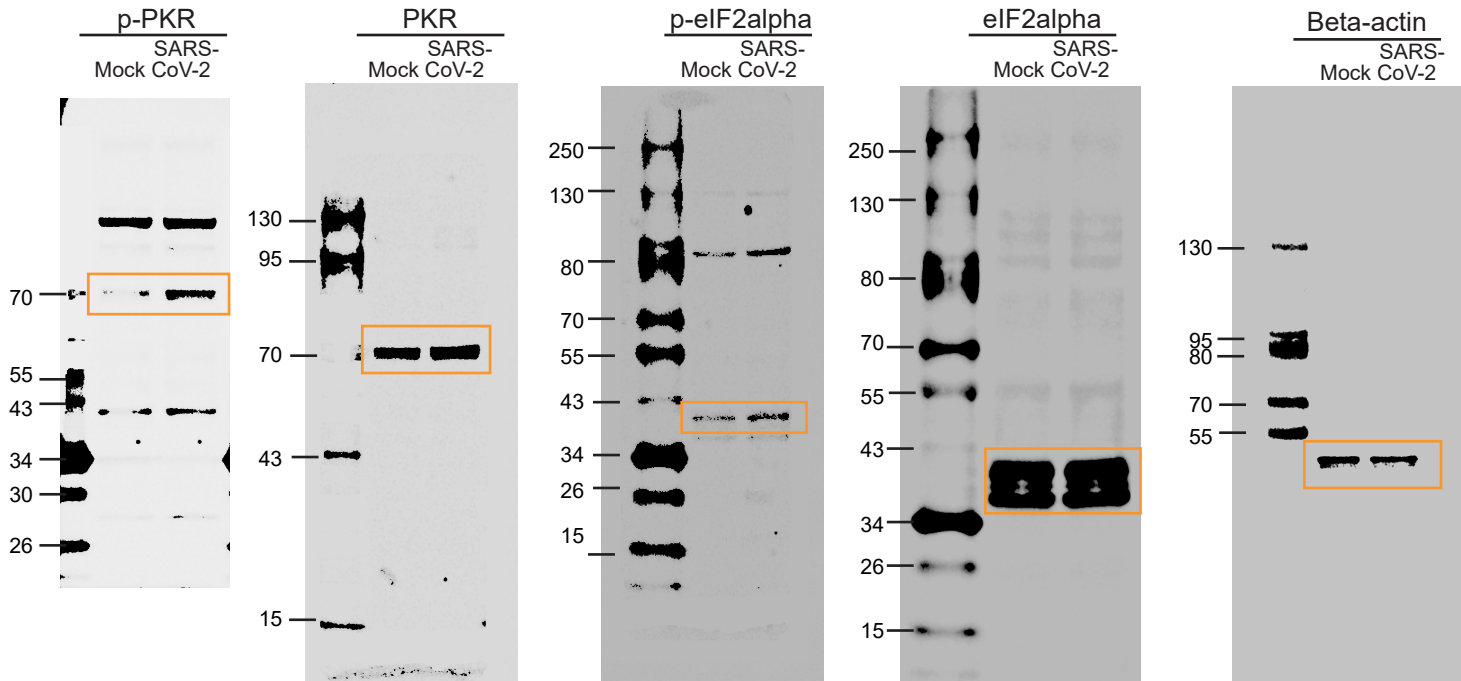
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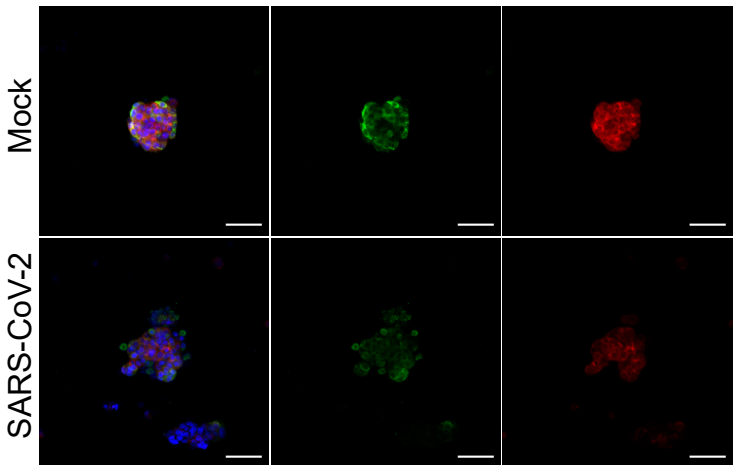
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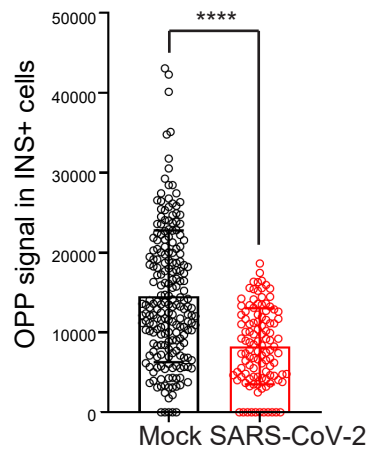


Figure S5. Related to Figure 4. SARS-CoV-2 infection causes the change of eIF2 pathway and the decrease of protein synthesis.

(A) Representative confocal images of INS and SARS-N of mock and SARS-CoV-2 (MOI=1) infected EndoC-betaH1 cells at 48 hpi (MOI=1). Scale bar = 50 μ m. Red: SARS-N; Green: INS; Blue: DAPI.

(B) Western blotting of p-PKR, PKR, p-eIF2alpha, eIF2alpha and beta-actin of mock and SARS-CoV-2 (MOI=1) infected EndoC-betaH1 cells at 48 hpi (MOI=1).

(C) Whole gel images of western blotting at (B).

(D and E) Representative confocal images of INS and OPP (O-propargyl-puromycin) (D) and quantification of OPP staining intensity (E) of mock versus SARS-CoV-2 infected human islets at 48 hpi ($n = 3$ replicates, MOI=1). Scale bar = 50 μ m. Red: OPP; Green: INS; Blue: DAPI.

Figure S6

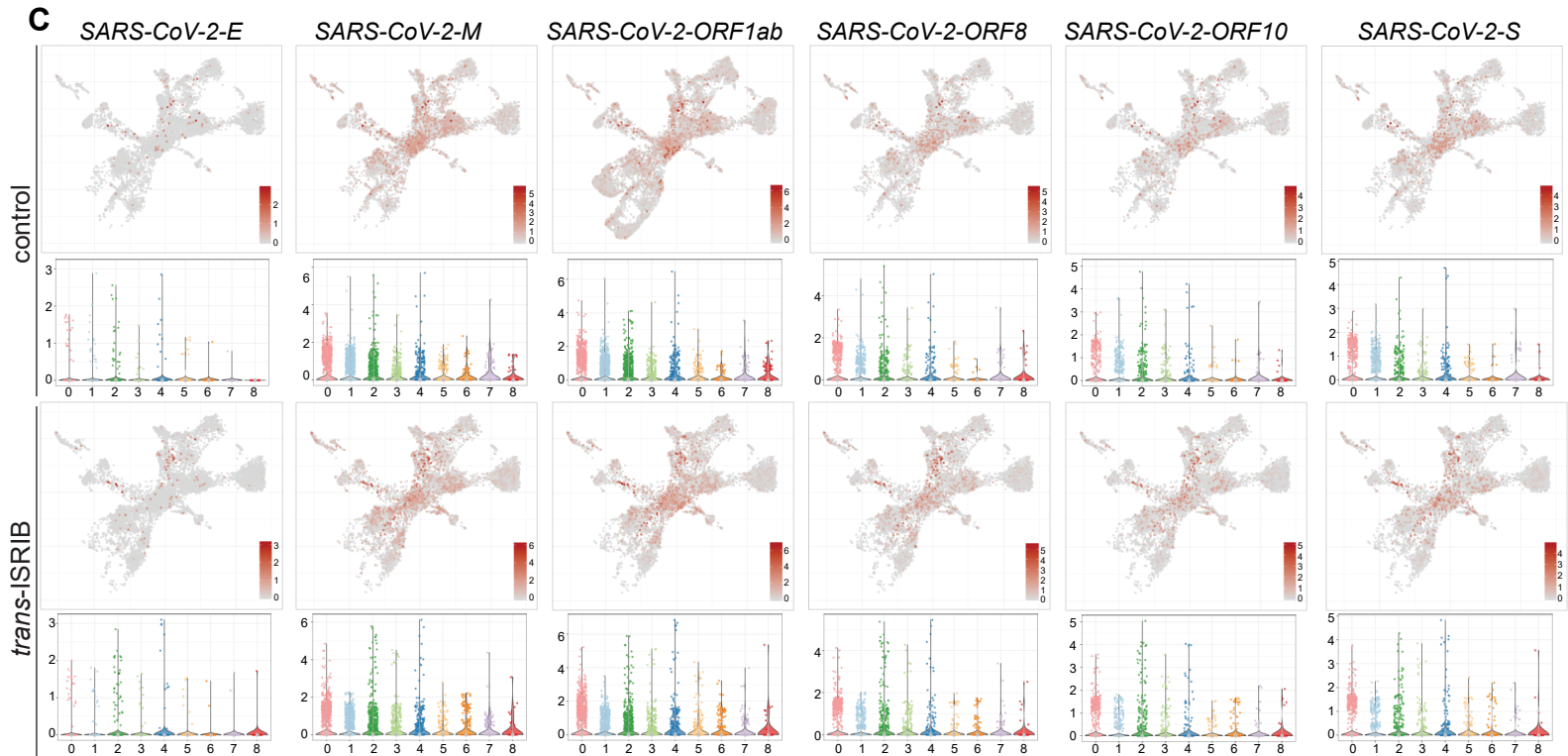
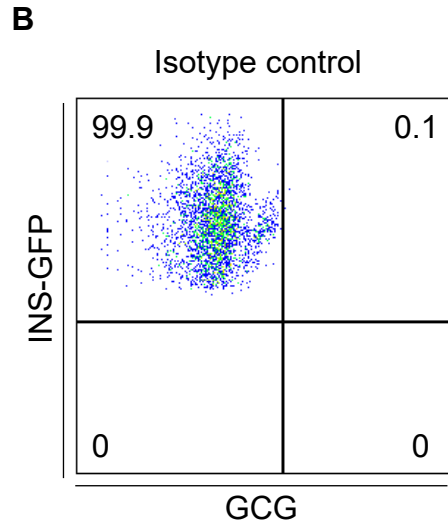
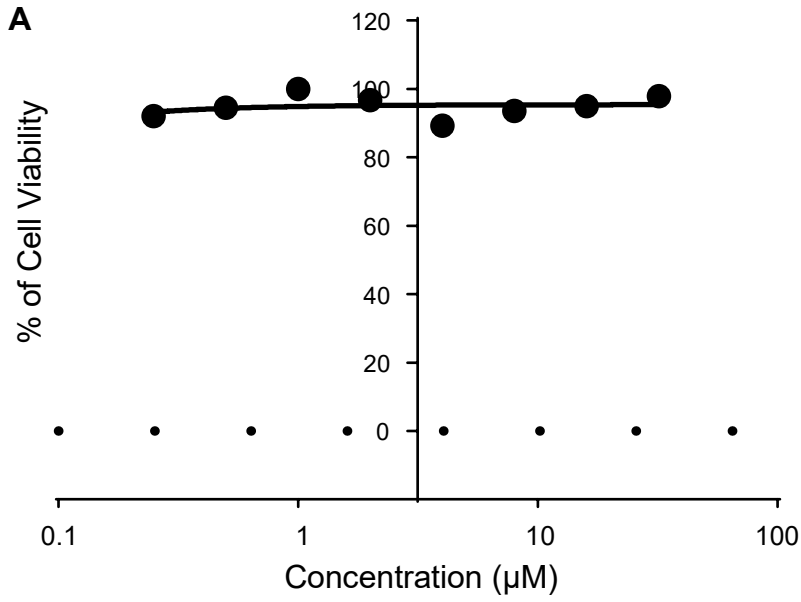


Figure S6. Related to Figure 6 and 7. High-throughput chemical screen.

(A) Toxicity curve of *trans*-ISRIB on hESC-derived *INS*-GFP⁺ beta-like cells. Data was presented as mean \pm STDEV. ($n = 3$ biological replicates).

(B) Isotype control of flow cytometry analysis of *trans*-ISRIB treated hESC-derived *INS*-GFP⁺ beta-like cells.

(C) UMAP and violin plots showing the expression levels of SARS-CoV-2 genes of control or 10 μ M *trans*-ISRIB treated human islets at 24 hpi ($n = 2$ individual islet donors, MOI=1).

Figure S7

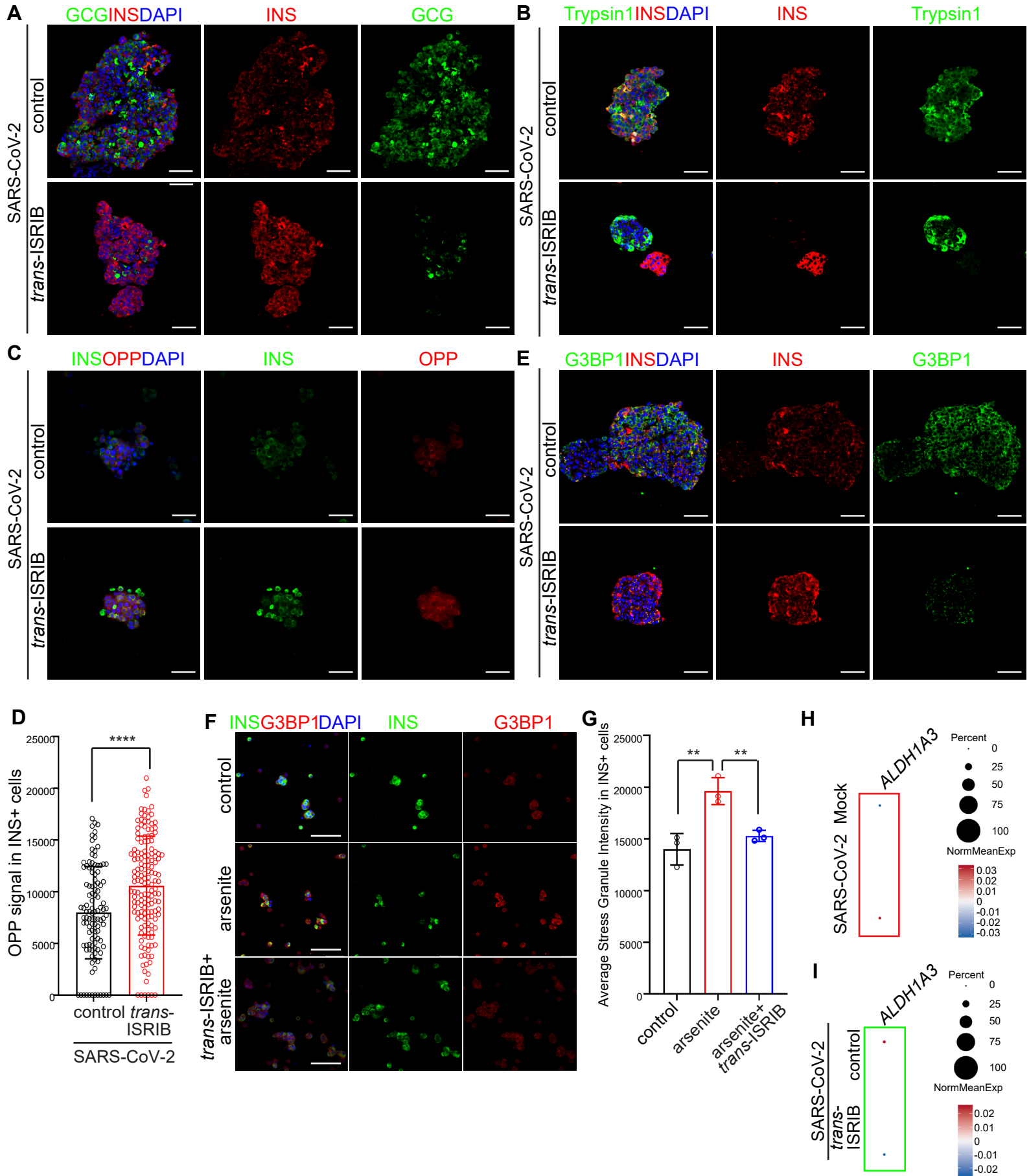


Figure S7. Related to Figure 7. *Trans*-ISRIB blocks human beta cells transdifferentiation upon SARS-CoV-2 infection.

(A) Representative confocal images of GCG and INS expression in control or 10 μ M *trans*-ISRIB treated human islets at 48 hpi ($n = 3$ individual islet donors, MOI=1). Scale bar = 50 μ m. Red: INS; Green: GCG; Blue: DAPI.

(B) Representative confocal images of Tyspin1 and INS expression in control or 10 μ M *trans*-ISRIB treated human islets at 48 hpi ($n = 3$ individual islet donors, MOI=1). Scale bar = 50 μ m. Red: INS; Green: Tyspin1; Blue: DAPI.

(C and D) Representative confocal images of INS and OPP (C) and quantification of OPP staining intensity (D) of control or 10 μ M *trans*-ISRIB treated human islets at 48 hpi ($n = 3$ replicates, MOI=1). Scale bar = 50 μ m. Red: OPP; Green: INS; Blue: DAPI.

(E) Representative confocal images of G3BP1 and INS expression in control or 10 μ M *trans*-ISRIB treated human islets at 48 hpi ($n = 3$ individual islet donors, MOI=1). Scale bar = 50 μ m. Red: INS; Green: G3BP1; Blue: DAPI.

(F and G) Representative confocal images of G3BP1 and INS (F) and quantification of G3BP1 expression (G) in control, 0.5 mM NaAsO₂ and 10 μ M *trans*-ISRIB+ 0.5 mM NaAsO₂ treated human islets after 30 min treatment ($n = 3$ replicates). Scale bar = 50 μ m. Green: INS; Red: G3BP1; Blue: DAPI.

(H) Dot blot illustrating expression level of *ALDH1A3* in mock versus SARS-CoV-2 infected human islets at 24 hpi ($n = 2$ individual islet donors, MOI=1).

(I) Dot blot illustrating expression level of *ALDH1A3* in control or 10 μ M *trans*-ISRIB treated human islets at 24 hpi ($n = 2$ individual islet donors, MOI=1).

Dot size shows the fraction of cells with non-zero expression; Dot color indicates the relative expression level in the two conditions.

Data was presented as mean \pm STDEV. *P* values were calculated by paired or unpaired two-tailed Student's *t* test. ***P* < 0.01 and *****P* < 0.0001.

Table S1. Related to Figure 1. Summary of samples.

Sample ID	Gender	Age	Assays	Chronic comorbidities	Inflammatory status WBC	COVID-19 disease course	Blood glucose level (mg/dL)
COVID-19_1	Female	87	Immunostaining	DM2, HTN	17.4	7	248
COVID-19_2	Female	70	Immunostaining	Dementia, DM2	4.9	12	223
COVID-19_3	Male	87	Immunostaining	None	9.7	26	213
COVID-19_4	Male	91	Immunostaining	Dementia, HTN	6.8	5	229
COVID-19_5	Female	71	Immunostaining	Alzheimer's, HTN, AFIB	4.2	7	100
Non-COVID-19_1	Male	75	Immunostaining	HTN, CAD	18.9	N/A	201
Non-COVID-19_2	Female	74	Immunostaining	CAD, mild HTN	9.2	N/A	190
Non-COVID-19_3	Male	19	Immunostaining	Asthma	20.4	N/A	150
Non-COVID-19_4	Male	27	Immunostaining	Ashama, HTN, OB	21.6	N/A	137
Non-COVID-19_5	Male	27	SARS-CoV-2 infection, scRNA-seq and immunostaining	Allergic rhinitis, pharyngitis	7.7	N/A	129
Non-COVID-19_6	Female	58	SARS-CoV-2 infection, scRNA-seq and immunostaining, ELISA	HTN, Stroke	12.4	N/A	144
Non-COVID-19_7	Male	52	SARS-CoV-2 infection and immunostaining, ELISA	HTN	7.1	N/A	104
Non-COVID-19_8	Male	18	SARS-CoV-2 infection, immunostaining, ELISA	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Non-COVID-19_15	Male	50	scRNA-seq (Table S3)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Non-COVID-19_16	Male	28	scRNA-seq (Table S3)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Non-COVID-19_17	Male	35	scRNA-seq (Table S3)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Non-COVID-19_18	Male	22	scRNA-seq (Table S3)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Non-COVID-19_19	Female	41	scRNA-seq (Table S3)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Non-COVID-19 (T2D)_20	Male	61	scRNA-seq (Table S3)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

DM2: diabetes mellitus, type 2; HTN: Hypertension; AFIB: Atrial fibrillation; CAD: Coronary Artery Disease; OB: obesity.

Table S2. Related to Figure 1. The SARS-N⁺ cells in autopsy samples*.

Sample ID	COVID-19_1	COVID-19_2	COVID-19_3	COVID-19_4	COVID-19_5
# of SARS-N ⁺ INS ⁺ cells	6.5±2.0	9.7±4.7	14.5±4.8	8.0±7.0	23.6±7.5
% of SARS-N ⁺ INS ⁺ cells in INS ⁺ cells	10.0±10.9%	15.7±15.3%	7.7±4.1%	8.1±5.9%	12.0±9.1%
# of SARS-N ⁺ KRT19 ⁺ cells	22.0±18.5	4.9±5.8	8.3±8.5	3.3±3.2	8.0±13.9
% of SARS-N ⁺ KRT19 ⁺ cells in KRT19 ⁺ cells	9.0±6.8%	2.1±2.4%	7.8±6.6%	1.9±1.4%	3.0±5.1%
# of SARS-N ⁺ CD31 ⁺ cells	29.3±6.0	34.1±22.6	3.0±3.0	9.3±3.5	1.6±1.5
% of SARS-N ⁺ CD31 ⁺ cells in CD31 ⁺ cells	21.0±0.9%	27.4±13.1%	4.1±4.8%	11.8±4.2%	2.3±2.3%
# of SARS-N ⁺ VIM ⁺ cells	84.7±68.7	5.3±1.5	10.4±4.8	4.2±2.4	7.7±4.0
% of SARS-N ⁺ VIM ⁺ cells in VIM ⁺ cells	16.3±10.8%	2.4±1.5%	2.6±1.0%	4.1±1.9%	4.1±0.4%
# of SARS-N ⁺ Trypsin1 ⁺ cells	133.7±111.4	4.0±1.0	21.6±15.9	18.2±4.4	5.7±4.5
% of SARS-N ⁺ Trypsin1 ⁺ cells in Trypsin1 ⁺ cells	15.4±11.0%	0.8±0.0%	2.9±2.1%	2.2±0.5%	1.2±1.0%

*The staining was only performed using autopsy samples that contain viral transcripts as confirmed by qRT-PCR.

Table S3. Related to Figure 2. The percentage of *FURIN*⁺ or *CTSL*⁺ cells in six human islet samples.

	Percentage of <i>FURIN</i>⁺ cells (Mean±STDEV)	Percentage of <i>CTSL</i>⁺ cells (Mean±STDEV)
acinar cells	27.3±17.5	25.9±19.0
alpha cells	23.5±13.8	51.5±22.9
beta cells	31.1±19.0	51.4±30.2
delta cells	33.1±12.1	62.7±22.7
PP cells	36.6±26.0	48.5±28.7
ductal cells	42.8±17.9	51.3±24.6
fibroblasts	47.2±19.4	76.1±18.5
endothelial cells	32.8±32.8	47.3±28.6
immune cells	29.9±17.8	90.5±11.5

Table S4. Related to STAR Methods. Antibodies used for immunocytochemistry, intracellular flow cytometry analysis.

Usage	Antibody	Clone#	Host	Catalog #	Vendor	Dilution
Immuno-staining	Polyclonal Guinea Pig Anti-Insulin	Polyclonal	Guinea Pig	#A0564	Dako	1:500
Immuno-staining	Anti-Glucagon antibody	Monoclonal	Mouse	#ab10988	Abcam	1:1,000
Immuno-staining	Human/Mouse Somatostatin Antibody	Monoclonal	Rat	#MAB2358	R&D Systems	1:100
Immuno-staining	Pancreatic Polypeptide/PP Antibody	Polyclonal	Goat	#NB100-1793	NOVUS Biologicals	1:200
Immuno-staining	Human Serpin A1/alpha 1-Antitrypsin Antibody	Monoclonal	Mouse	#MAB1268	R&D Systems	1:200
Immuno-staining	Trypsin1/PRSS1 Antibody	Polyclonal	Sheep	#AF3848	NOVUS Biologicals	1:2,500
Immuno-staining	Anti-Cytokeratin 19 antibody	Monoclonal	Mouse	# ab7754	Abcam	1:200
Immuno-staining	Human CD31/PECAM-1 Antibody	Polyclonal	Sheep	#AF806	R&D Systems	1:200
Immuno-staining	Vimentin antibody	Monoclonal	Mouse	#ab8978	Abcam	1:200
Immuno-staining	NRP1 antibody	Monoclonal	Rabbit	#ab81321	Abcam	1:200
Immuno-staining	NRP1 antibody	Monoclonal	Rabbit	#ST05-30	NOVUS Biologicals	1:200
Immuno-staining	G3BP1 Antibody	Polyclonal	Rabbit	#17798	Cell Signaling Technology	1:500
Immuno-staining	SARS-CoV/SARS-CoV-2 Nucleocapsid Antibody	Monoclonal	Rabbit	#40143-R001	Sino Biological	1:500
Immuno-staining	Human ACE-2 Antibody	Polyclonal	Goat	#AF933	R & D Systems	1:400
Immuno-staining	Alexa Fluor 488 AffiniPure Donkey Anti-Guinea Pig IgG (H+L)	Polyclonal	Donkey	#706-545-148	Jackson ImmunoResearch Labs	1:1,000
Immuno-staining	Donkey anti-Mouse IgG (H+L) Highly Cross-Adsorbed Secondary Antibody, Alexa Fluor 488	Polyclonal	Donkey	#A-21202	Thermo Fisher Scientific	1:1,000

Immuno-staining	Donkey anti-Mouse IgG (H+L) Highly Cross-Adsorbed Secondary Antibody, Alexa Fluor 594	Polyclonal	Donkey	#A-21203	Thermo Fisher Scientific	1:1,000
Immuno-staining	Donkey anti-Mouse IgG (H+L) Highly Cross-Adsorbed Secondary Antibody, Alexa Fluor 647	Polyclonal	Donkey	#A-31571	Thermo Fisher Scientific	1:1,000
Immuno-staining	Donkey anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L) Secondary Antibody, Alexa Fluor 594 conjugate	Polyclonal	Donkey	#A-21207	Thermo Fisher Scientific	1:1,000
Immuno-staining	Donkey anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L) Secondary Antibody, Alexa Fluor 647 conjugate	Polyclonal	Donkey	#A-31573	Thermo Fisher Scientific	1:1,000
Immuno-staining	Donkey anti-Goat IgG (H+L) Cross-Adsorbed Secondary Antibody, Alexa Fluor 488	Polyclonal	Donkey	#A-11055	Thermo Fisher Scientific	1:1,000
Immuno-staining	Donkey anti-Rat IgG (H+L) Highly Cross-Adsorbed Secondary Antibody, Alexa Fluor 488	Polyclonal	Donkey	#A-21208	Thermo Fisher Scientific	1:1,000
Immuno-staining	Donkey anti-Sheep IgG (H+L) Cross-Adsorbed Secondary Antibody, Alexa Fluor 488	Polyclonal	Donkey	#A-11015	Thermo Fisher Scientific	1:1,000
Flow Cytometry	Polyclonal Guinea Pig Anti-Insulin	Polyclonal	Guinea Pig	#A0564	Dako	1:500
Flow Cytometry	Anti-Glucagon antibody	Monoclonal	Mouse	#ab10988	Abcam	1:1,000
Flow Cytometry	Neuropilin-1 antibody	Polyclonal	Sheep	#AF3870	NOVUS Biologicals	1:200
Flow Cytometry	Alexa Fluor 488 AffiniPure Donkey Anti-Guinea Pig IgG (H+L)	Polyclonal	Donkey	#706-545-148	Jackson ImmunoResearch Labs	1:1,000
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Flow Cytometry	Goat anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L) Cross-Adsorbed Secondary Antibody, Pacific Blue	Polyclonal	Goat	#P-10994	Thermo Fisher Scientific	1:1,000
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Western Blot	IRDye [®] 800CW Donkey anti-Rabbit IgG Secondary Antibody	Polyclonal	Donkey	#926-32213	LI-COR	1:15,000

Table S5. Related to STAR Methods. Primers used for qRT-PCR.

Primer name	Sequence
<i>ACTB-human-F</i>	<i>CGTCACCAACTGGGACGACA</i>
<i>ACTB- human-R</i>	<i>CTTCTCGCGGTTGGCCTTGG</i>
<i>SARS-CoV-2-TRS-F</i>	<i>CTCTTGTAGATCTGTTCTCTAAACGAAC</i>
<i>SARS-CoV-2-TRS-R</i>	<i>GGTCCACCAAACGTAATGCG</i>
<i>SARS-CoV-2-N-R</i>	<i>TAATCAGACAAGGAACTGATTA</i>
<i>SARS-CoV-2-N-R</i>	<i>CGAAGGTGTGACTTCCATG</i>
<i>SARS-CoV-2-E-F</i>	<i>ACAGGTACGTTAATAGTTAATAGCGT</i>
<i>SARS-CoV-2-E-R</i>	<i>ATATTGCAGCAGTACGCACACA</i>
<i>18S-F</i>	<i>GGCCCTGTAATTGGAATGAGTC</i>
<i>18S-R</i>	<i>CCAAGATCCAACCTACGAGCTT</i>