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A cullin 4B-RING E3 ligase complex fine-tunes pancreatic δ cell paracrine interactions

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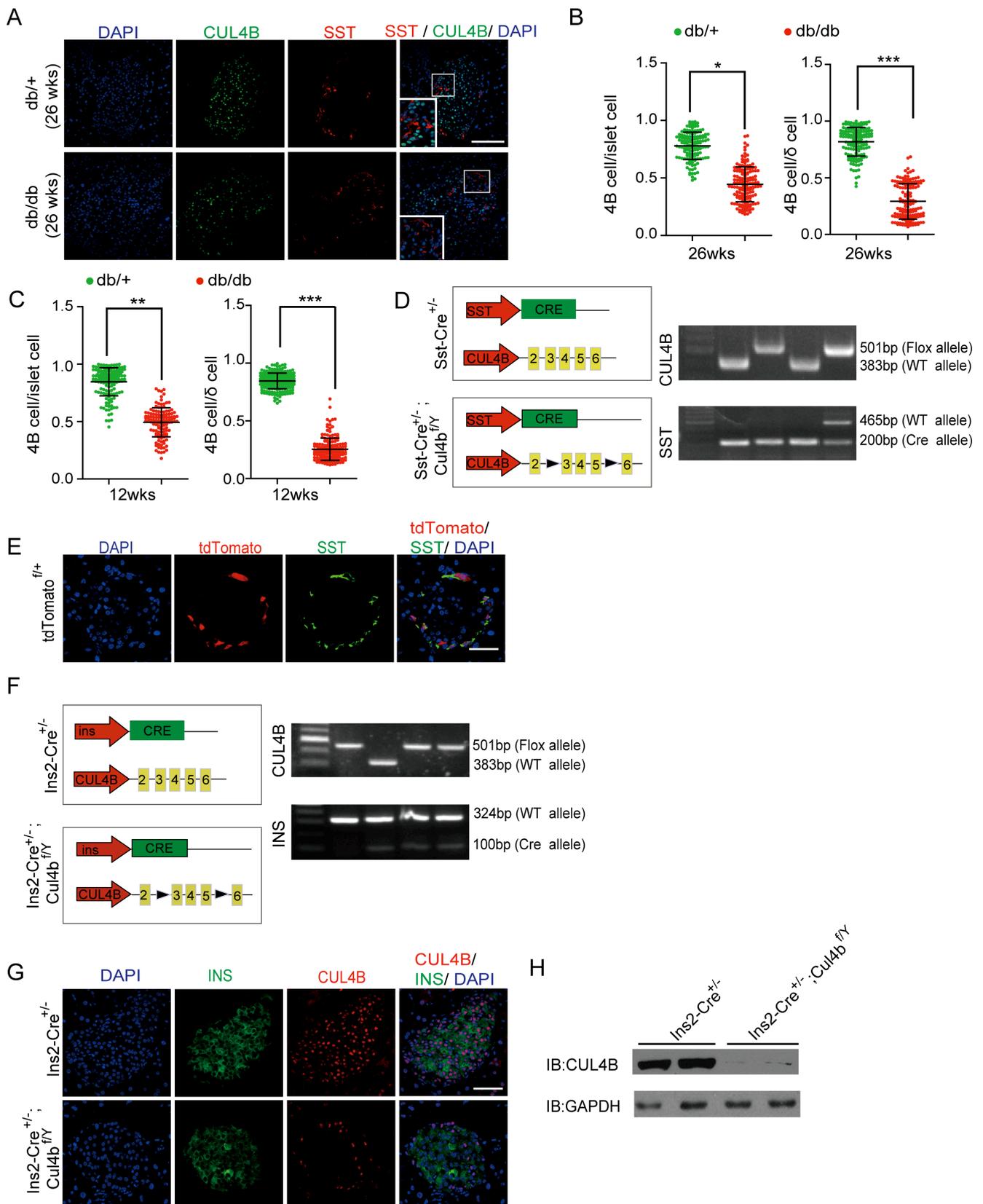
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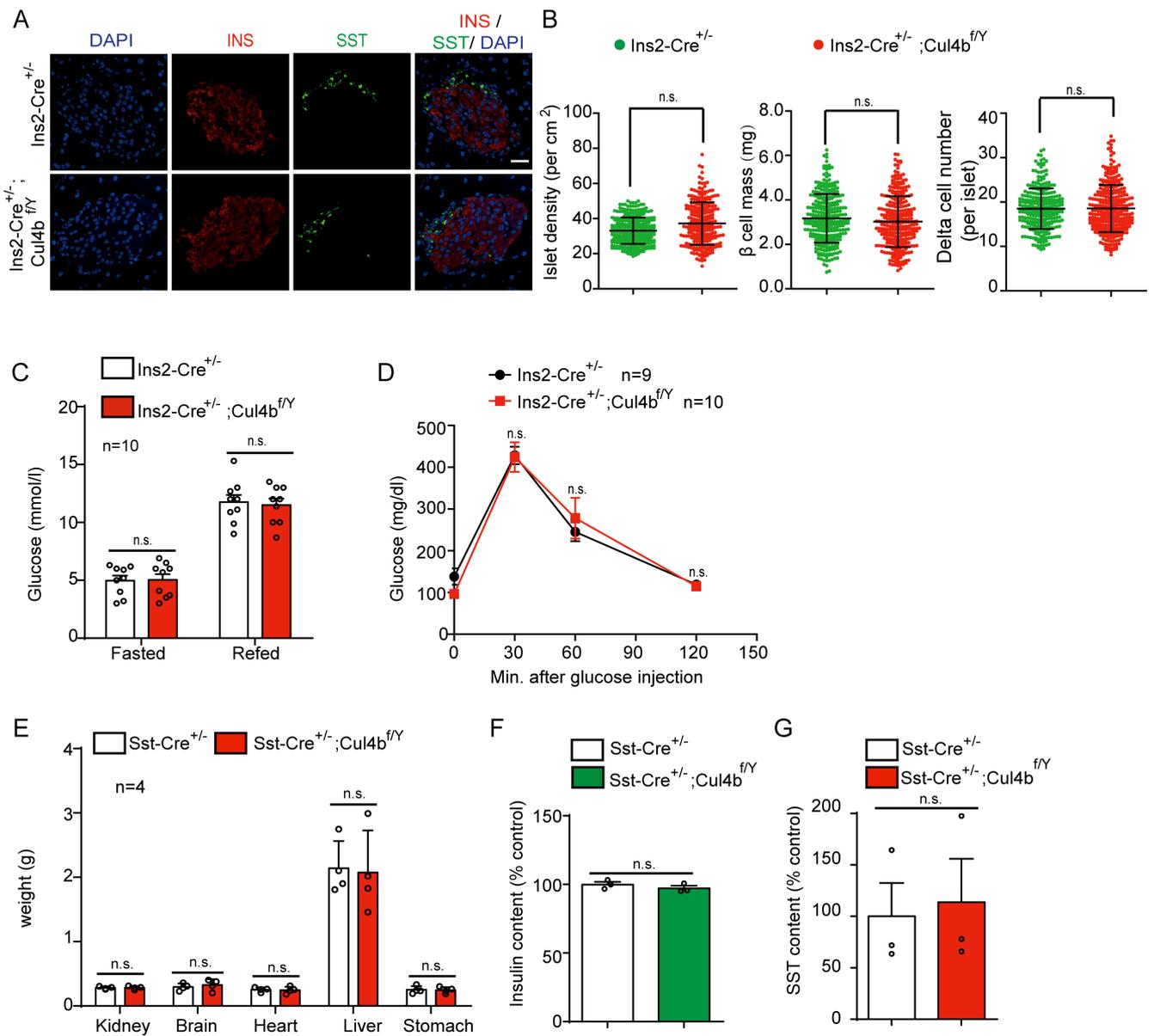
Supplemental Figures

Supplemental Figure 1



Supplemental Figure 1. (A) Immunostaining for CUL4B (green) and somatostatin (red) in pancreatic sections of *db/db* and *db/+* mice (26 weeks). Scale bar, 100 μ m. (B-C) Statistical data of the ratio of CUL4B expression in total cells or pancreatic δ cells (quantification of the CUL4B immunostaining levels vs. DAPI or somatostatin staining levels from A and figure 1C) n=6 mice per group; 4-7 random areas were selected from each pancreatic section, and 10 sections were randomly selected from each mouse. (D) Left panel: schematic representation of somatostatin-producing cell type-specific *cul4b* knockout male mice (*SST-cre; Cul4b^{fllox}* mice); The LoxP sequences were recognized by the Cre enzyme, the expression of which was driven by the somatostatin promoter (*SST-cre*), thus cleaving exons 3-5 of the *Cul4b* gene in *SST-cre; Cul4b^{fllox}* mice and generating a *cul4b* knockout in somatostatin-expressing cells. Right panel: PCR analysis of genomic DNA from tails (right panel). (E) Immunofluorescence for SST (green) and tdTomato (red) in pancreatic sections of *SST-cre; tdt^{fllox}* mice. The results indicated that pancreatic δ cells were specifically labeled in red in *SST-cre; tdt^{fllox}* mice. Scale bar, 50 μ m. (F) Left panel: schematic representation of insulin-producing cell type-specific *cul4b* knockout male mice (*Ins2-cre; Cul4b^{fllox}* mice): The LoxP sequences of the *Cul4b-fllox* mice were recognized by the Cre enzyme, the expression of which was driven by the insulin promoter (*Ins2-cre*), thereby generating a *cul4b* knockout specifically in insulin-expressing cells. Right panel: PCR analysis of tail snip genomic DNA. (G-H) Confirmation of pancreatic β -cell-specific *Cul4b* deficiency through immunofluorescence (G) and western blotting (H). Scale bar, 50 μ m. A representative western blot from at least 3 independent experiments is shown (H). *, p<0.05; **, p<0.01; *** p<0.001; *db/db* mice were compared with their *db/+* littermates. The bars represent mean \pm s.d. All data statistics were analysed using one-way ANOVA.

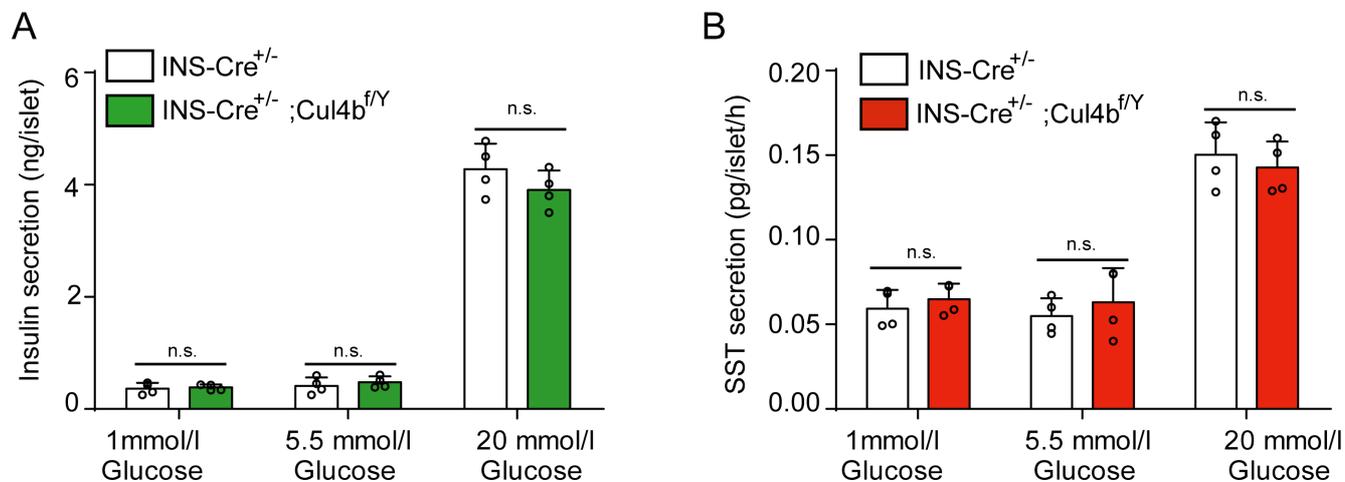
Supplemental Figure 2



Supplemental Figure 2. (A) Immunostaining for SST (green) and insulin (red) in WT and *Ins2-cre; Cul4b^{fllox}* mice. Scale bar, 50 μ m. (B) Statistical data indicated there were no significant differences in islet mass, cell number or cell mass between *Ins2-cre; Cul4b^{fllox}* mice and their wild type littermates. n=6 mice per group; 4-10 random areas were selected from each pancreatic section, and 12 sections were randomly selected from each mouse. (C) There were no significant differences between the fasting and fed blood glucose levels of *Ins2-cre; Cul4b^{fllox}* mice and their wild type littermates. n=10. (D) Glucose tolerance test for *Ins2-cre; Cul4b^{fllox}* mice and their wild type littermates. The *Ins2-cre; Cul4b^{fllox}* mice displayed normal glucose tolerance compared with their wild type littermates. n=9-10 (E) There were no significant differences in kidney, brain, heart, liver or stomach weights between WT and *Sst-cre; Cul4b^{fllox}* mice. n=10. (F-G) There were no significant differences in insulin or somatostatin content between *Sst-cre; Cul4b^{fllox}* mice and their wild type littermates. n=5. Error bars in (B) represent mean \pm s.d, other bars represent mean \pm s.e.m. All data

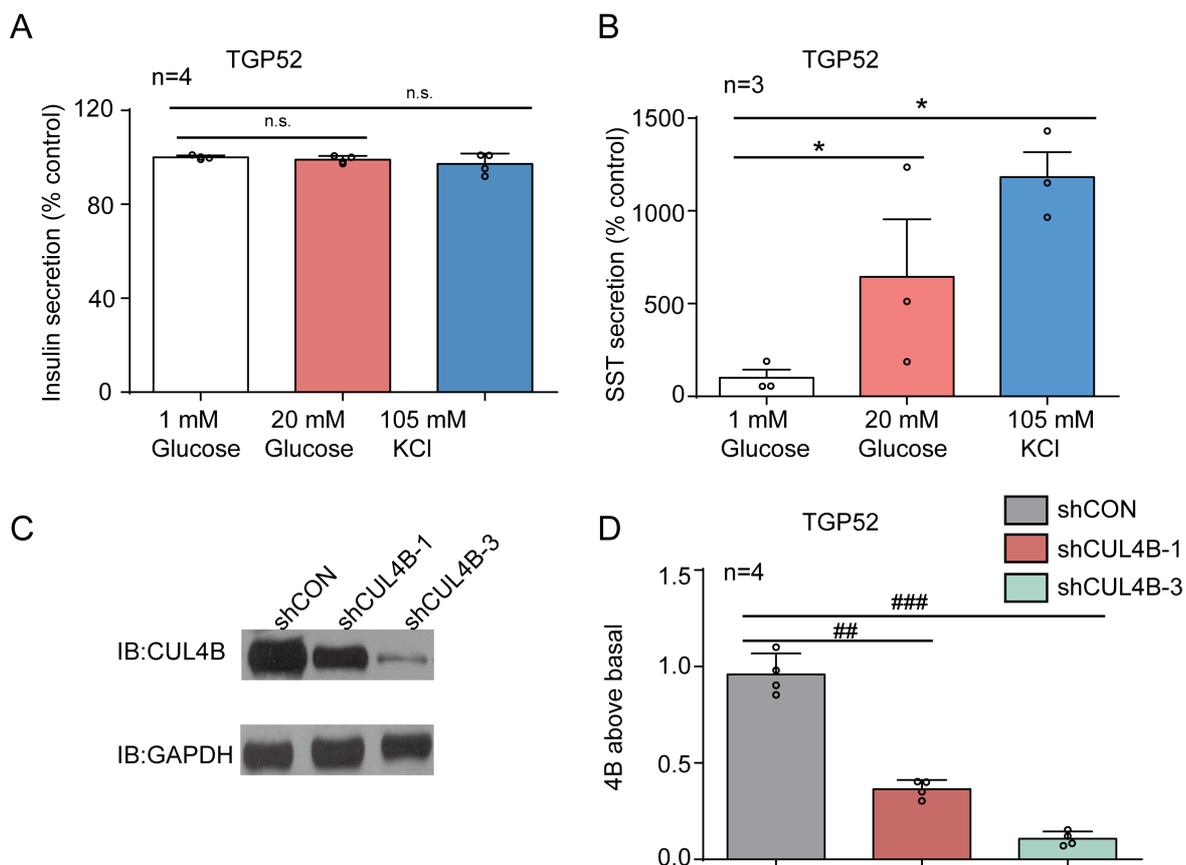
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Supplemental Figure 3



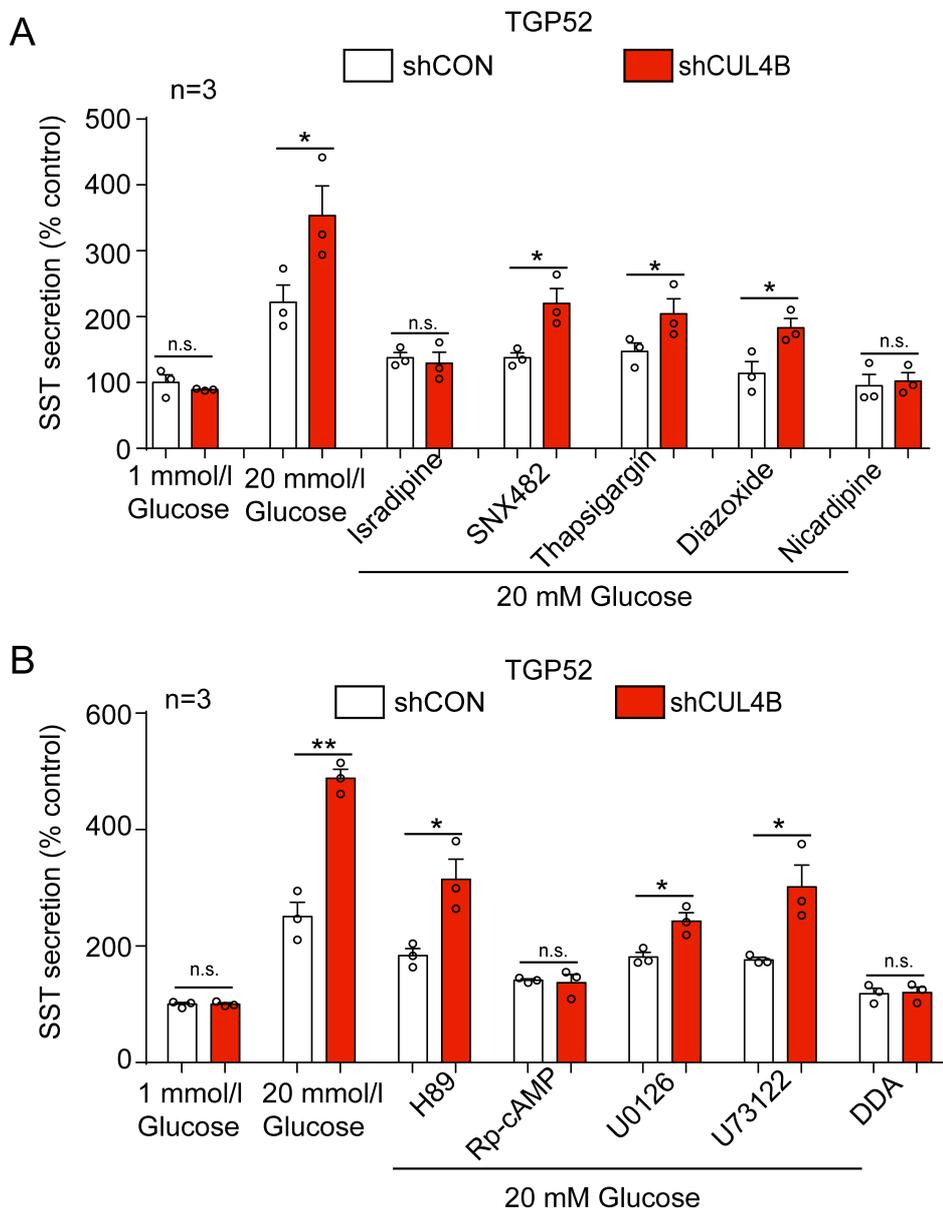
Supplemental Figure 3 (A-B) 1 mM, 5.5 mM and 20 mM glucose-induced insulin (A) and somatostatin (B) secretion in islets isolated from *Ins2-cre; Cul4b^{fllox}* mice and their wild type littermates. n=6 mice per group. The bars represent mean±s.e.m. All data statistics were analysed using one-way ANOVA.

Supplemental Figure 4



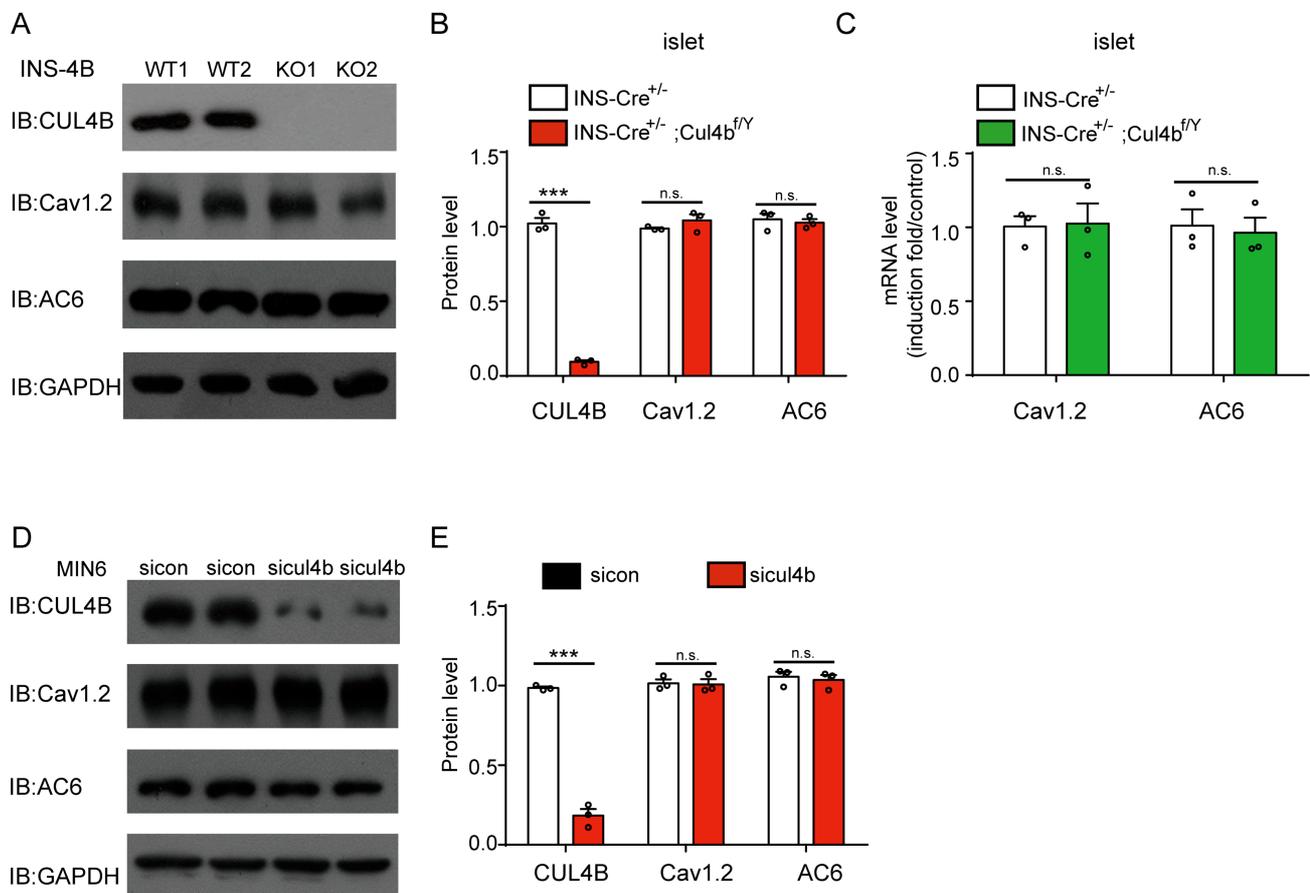
Supplemental Figure 4. (A) Glucose- and high KCl-induced insulin secretion from TGP52 cells. Neither high glucose nor high KCl induced significant insulin secretion from TGP52 cells. (B) Glucose and high KCl induced significant somatostatin secretion from TGP52 cells. (C) The efficiencies of shRNA-mediated CUL4B knockdowns in CUL4B stable cell lines (shCUL4B-1 and shCUL4B-3) were confirmed by western blotting. A representative western blot from at least 3 independent experiments is shown. (D) Bar graph and statistical analysis of CUL4B protein levels (analysis of protein levels from C). (* $p < 0.05$; n.s.; no significant differences; the high glucose- or high KCl-stimulated cells were compared with non-stimulated cells. ##, $p < 0.01$; ### $p < 0.005$; the CUL4B protein levels in shCUL4B stable cell lines were compared with those of shCON stable cell lines. The bars represent mean \pm s.e.m. All data statistics were analysed using one-way ANOVA.

Supplemental Figure 5



Supplemental Figure 5. (A) Glucose-induced somatostatin secretion in CUL4B knockdown and control TGP52 cells in the absence or presence of an R-type calcium channel blocker (100 nM SNX482), L-type channel blockers (10 μ M isradipine and 10 μ M nifedipine), a potassium/ATP channel opener (250 μ M diazoxide) or an inhibitor of an ER ATPase (10 μ M thapsigargin). **(B)** Glucose-induced somatostatin secretion in *cul4b* knockdown and control TGP52 cells in the presence of inhibitors for PKA (10 μ M H89), cAMP (100 μ M Rp-cAMPs), ERK signaling (10 μ M U0126), PLC (10 μ M U73122) or adenylyl cyclase (100 μ M DDA) inhibitors. * p <0.05; ** p <0.01; *** p <0.001; CUL4B knockdown cells were compared with control shRNA knockdown cells. The bars represent mean \pm s.e.m. All data statistics were analysed using one-way ANOVA.

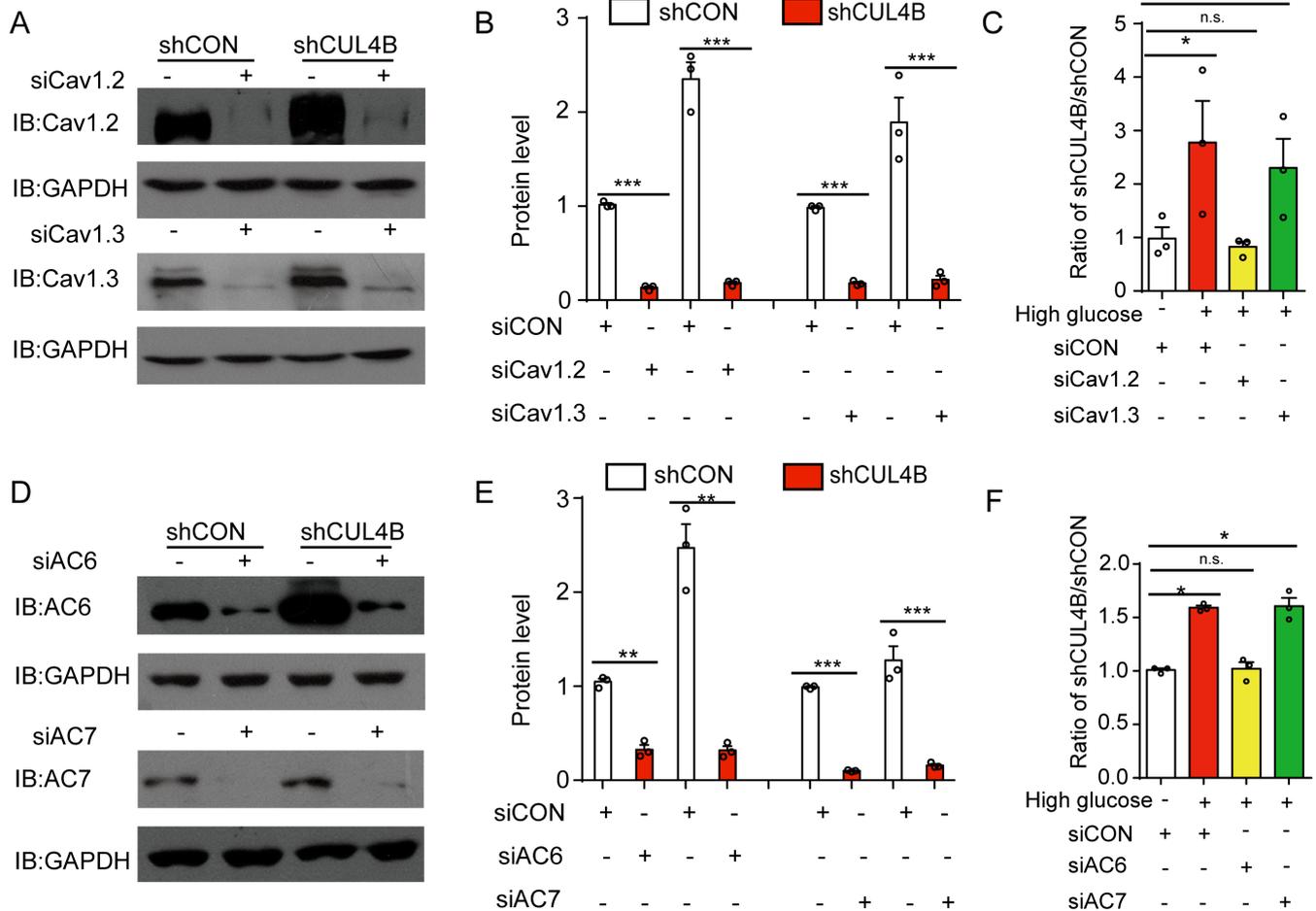
Supplemental Figure 6



Supplemental Figure 6. (A) CUL4B, Cav1.2 and AC6 protein levels in islets isolated from *Ins2-cre; Cul4b^{lox}* mice and their wild type littermates. representative western blots from at least 3 experiments are shown. **(B)** bar graph representation and statistical analyses of **(A)**. **(C)** The mRNA levels of Cav1.2 and AC6 in islets isolated from *Ins2-cre; Cul4b^{lox}* mice and their wild type littermates as determined by q-RT-PCR. **(D)** Cul4b, Cav1.2 and AC6 protein levels in *cul4b* knockdown and control MIN6 cells. representative western blots from at least 3 experiments

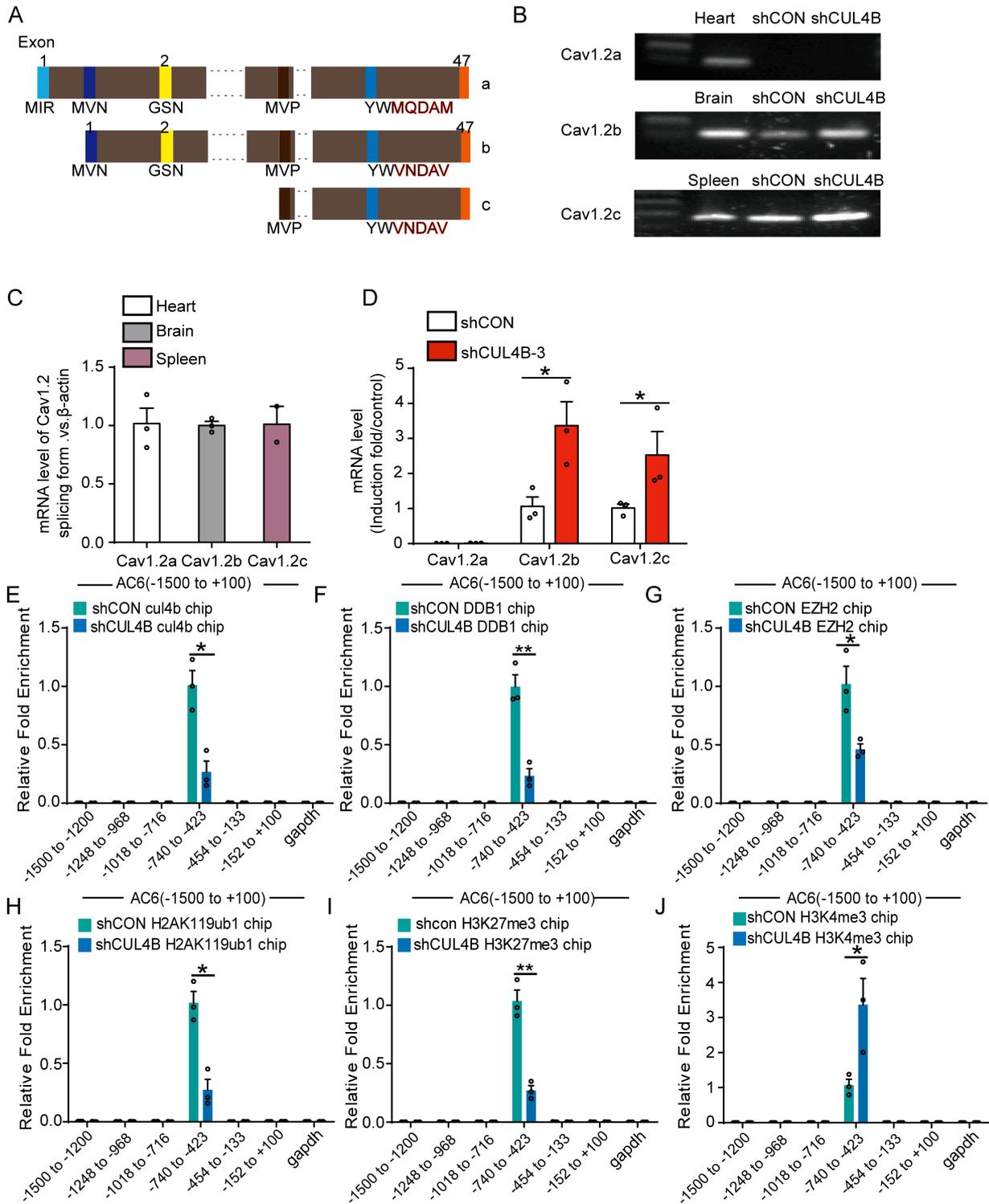
are shown. (E) bar graph representation and statistical analyses of (D). The bars represent mean±s.e.m. All data statistics were analysed using one-way ANOVA.

Supplemental Figure 7



Supplemental Figure 7. (A-F) The effect of Cav1.2, Cav1.3, AC6 or AC7 knockdown on the ratio of somatostatin secretion from CUL4B knockdown TGP52 cells versus control cells. A representative western blot from at least 3 independent experiments is shown (A and D). (B and E) Bar graph and statistical analysis depicting results from A and D, respectively. (C and F) Ratio changes depict the results presented in Figure 4G and 4H, respectively. *p<0.05; **p<0.01; ***p<0.001; ns., no significant difference; the Cav1.2, Cav1.3, AC6 or AC7 siRNA-treated cells were compared with control siRNA-treated cells. The bars represent mean±s.e.m. All data statistics were analysed using one-way ANOVA.

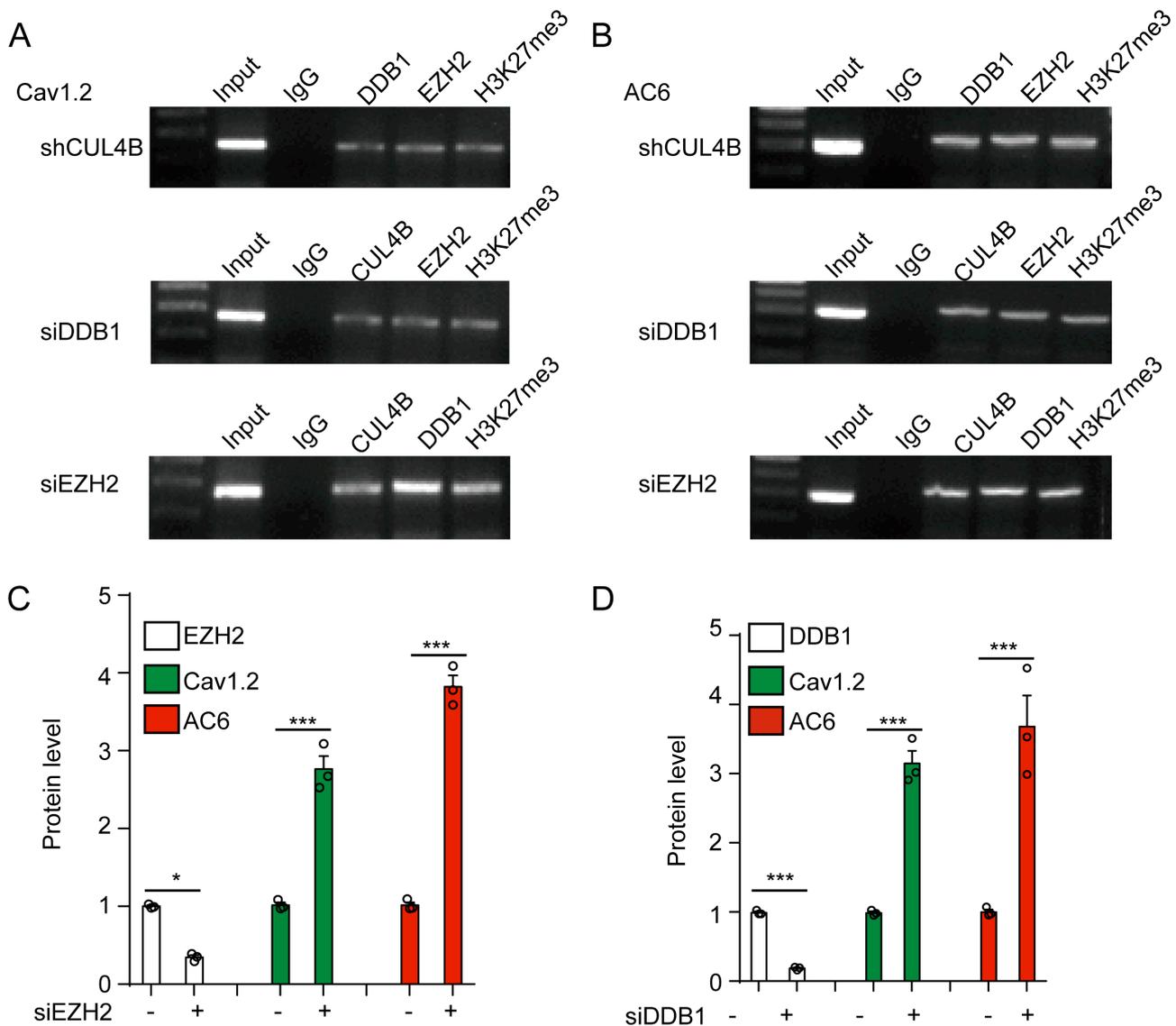
Supplemental Figure 8



Supplemental Figure 8. (A) Schematic representation of the alternatively spliced Cav1.2 mRNA isoforms, including Cav1.2a, Cav1.2b and Cav1.2c. (B) The mRNA levels of Cav1.2a, Cav1.2b and Cav1.2c in the heart, brain and spleen of CUL4B knockdown TGP52 cells and control cells by RT-PCR. (C) The mRNA levels of Cav1.2a, Cav1.2b and Cav1.2c were analyzed by quantitative RT-PCR and normalized to that of β -actin. (D) Quantitative RT-PCR analysis of Cav1.2a, Cav1.2b and Cav1.2c mRNA levels in CUL4B knockdown versus control TGP52 cells. Knockdown of CUL4B significantly increased the mRNA expression levels of Cav1.2b and Cav1.2c. (E-J) qChIP analysis of the

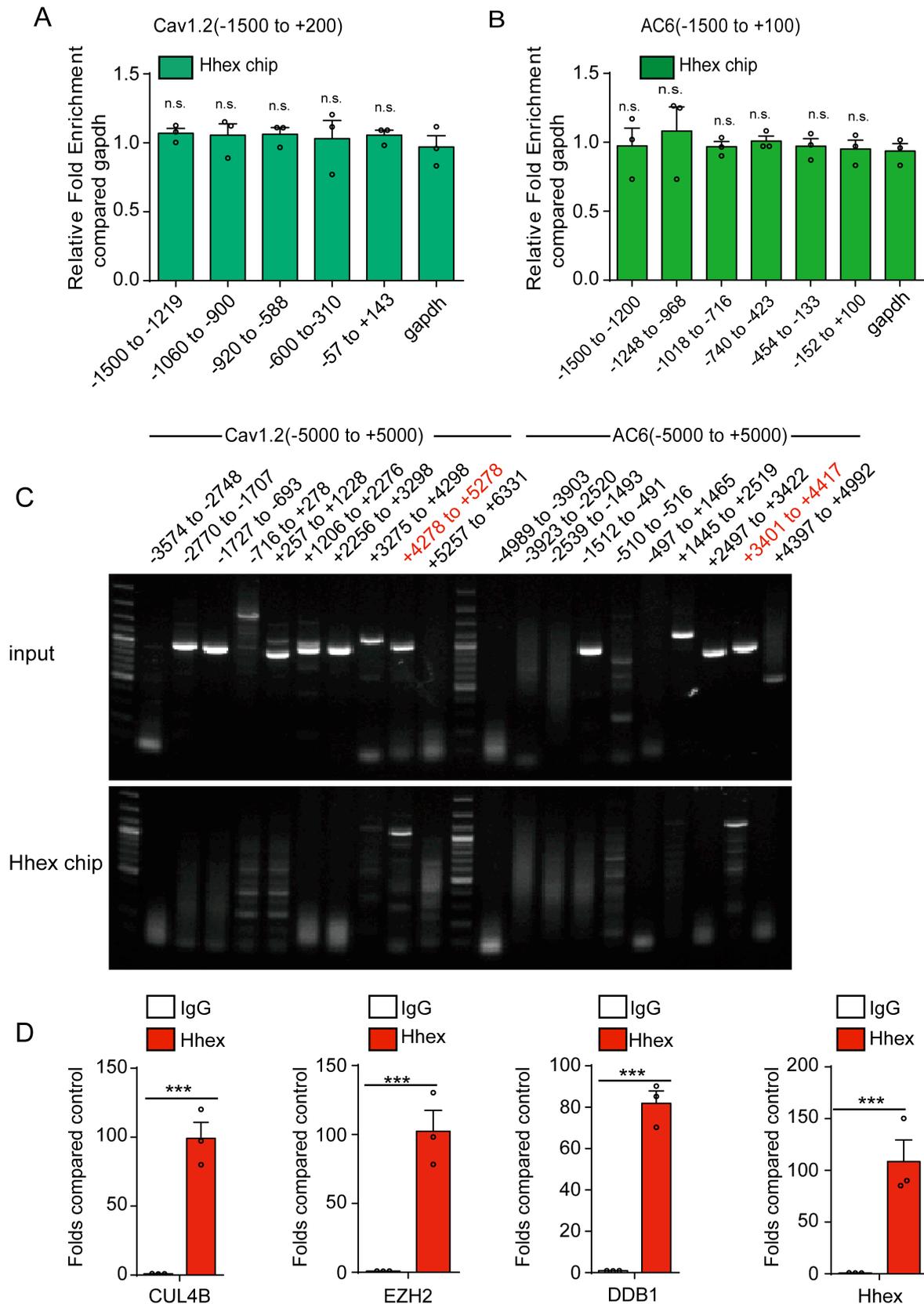
recruitment of the indicated proteins to specific regions of the AC6 promoter in CUL4B knockdown and control TGP52 cells. The data indicate the means \pm SDs of at least three independent experiments. *, $p < 0.05$; **, $p < 0.01$; ns., no significant difference; the cul4b knockdown cells were compared with control cells. The bars represent mean \pm s.e.m. All data statistics were analysed using one-way ANOVA.

Supplemental Figure 9



Supplemental Figure 9. (A, B) The effect of knockdown of one of the components of the CRL4B/PRC2 complex on the qChIP results of the Cav1.2 (A) or AC7 (B) promoters immunoprecipitated with the indicated antibodies. A typical reverse transcriptional result is shown. These figures correspond to Figure 6C and 6D in the main text. (C, D) Bar graph representation and statistical analysis of the western blot from Figure 6E and 6F. *, $p < 0.05$; *** $p < 0.001$; n.s. no significant difference; DDB1 and EZH2 knockdown cells were compared with control siRNA-treated cells. The bars represent mean \pm s.e.m. All data statistics were analysed using one-way ANOVA.

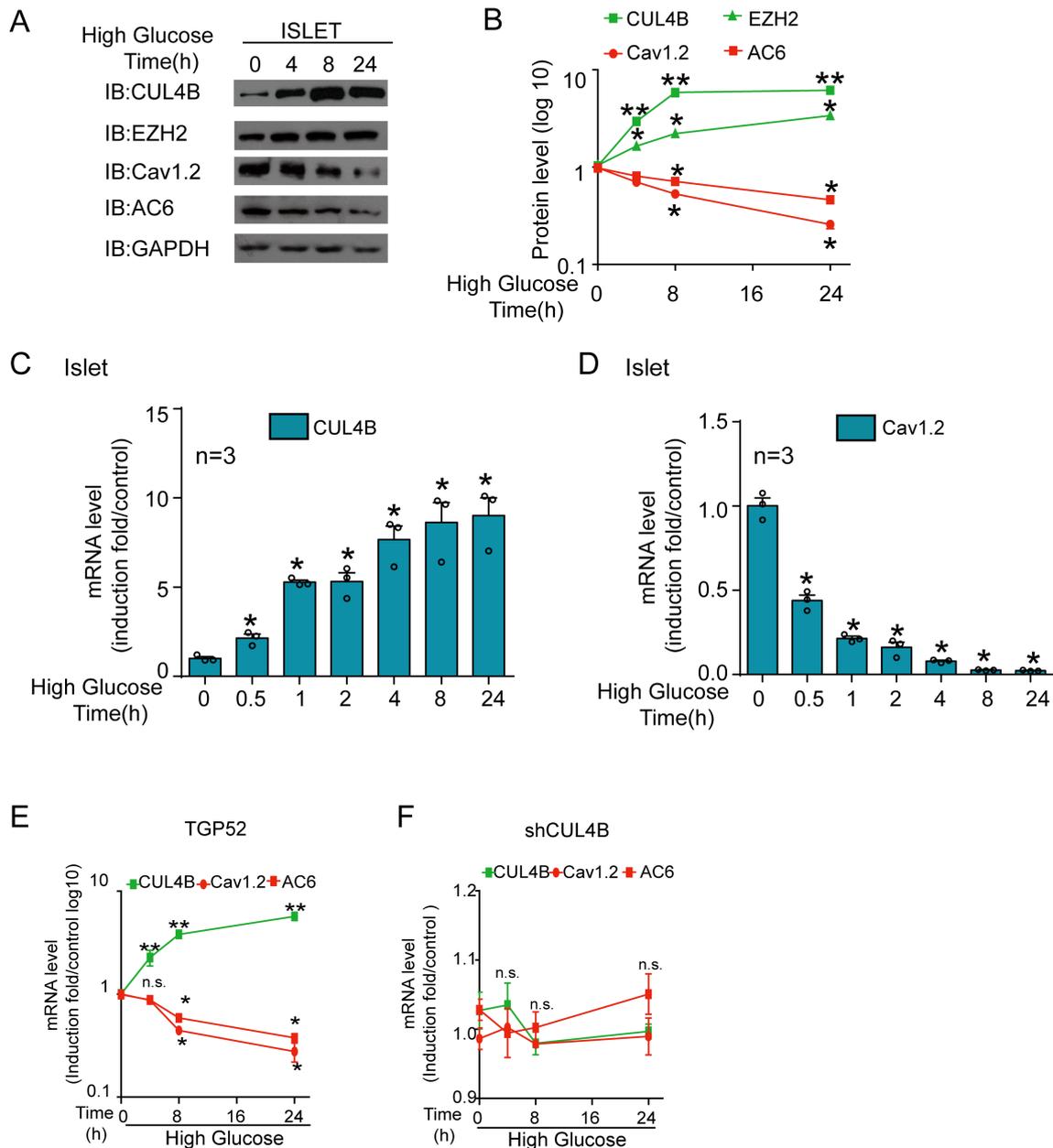
Supplemental Figure 10



Supplemental Figure 10. (A, C) qChIP analysis of the recruitment of Hhex on specific regions of the cav1.2 and AC6 promoter in TGP52 cells. (D) Bar graph representation and statistical analysis of the western blot from Figure

5M. *, $p < 0.05$; *** $p < 0.001$; n.s. no significant difference; Hhex output cells were compared with control cells. The bars represent mean \pm s.e.m. All data statistics were analysed using one-way ANOVA.

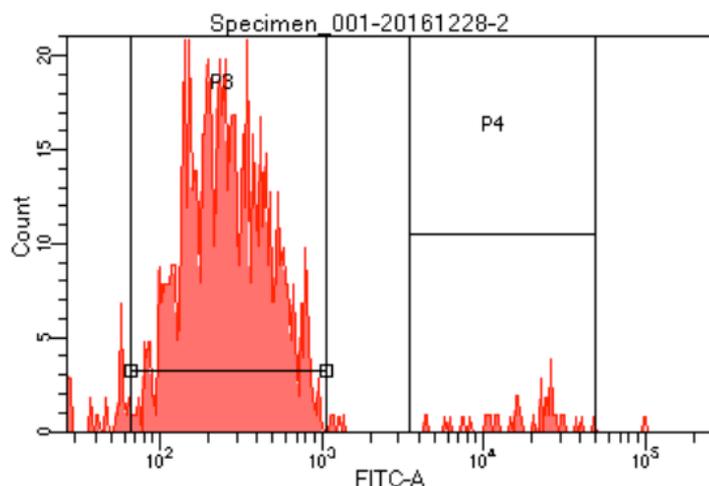
Supplemental Figure 11



Supplemental Figure 11. (A-B) CUL4B, EZH2, Cav1.2 and AC6 expression levels in islets treated with 20 mM glucose for 0, 4, 8 and 24 hours. A representative western blot from at least 3 independent experiments is shown (A). Statistical analysis of the data presented in (B), which indicated that high glucose promoted CUL4B and EZH2 expression, and decreased Cav1.2 and AC6 expression. (C) Quantitative RT-PCR analysis of *Cul4b* mRNA levels in islets treated with 20 mM glucose for 0, 0.5, 1, 2, 4, 8 and 24 hours. (D) Whereas continuous high glucose (20 mM) stimulated CUL4B expression in pancreatic islets, Cav1.2 expression exhibited reciprocal reductions. (E-F) Q-RT-PCR was used to measure the mRNA levels of *Cul4b*, Cav1.2 and AC6 in CUL4B knockdown TGP52 cells (F)

and control cells (E) stimulated with 20 mM glucose for the indicated time intervals. * $p < 0.05$; ** $p < 0.01$; *** $p < 0.001$; ns., no significant differences; high glucose- and insulin-treated cells were compared with control cells. The bars represent mean \pm s.e.m. All data statistics were analysed using one-way ANOVA.

Supplemental Figure 12



Supplemental Figure 12. The plot of FACS sorting. Approximately 5000 cells from *SST-cre*; *GFP^{lox}*; *cul4b^{lox}* mice and their wild type littermates were indicated, then were sorted for GFP expression (P4).

Supplemental Tables

Supplemental Table-1: Primers for ChIP

| Gene | Strand | Sequence |
|----------|--------|-------------------------|
| Cav1.2-1 | F | CAAGCAAGGTGGGCTGTACC |
| Cav1.2-1 | R | CAGGCAGGAAGCCGATTGTAG |
| Cav1.2-2 | F | CTACAATCGGCTTCCTGCCTG |
| Cav1.2-2 | R | GTCCCAGATGGTGATTAAGTGTG |
| Cav1.2-3 | F | GCACGCACCAGGTTTACCATG |
| Cav1.2-3 | R | GTCCCAGATGGTGATTAAGTGTG |
| Cav1.2-4 | F | CCTGGGATGTAGAAGCGAATAC |
| Cav1.2-4 | R | GGTACAGAATCAATCACCTCTC |
| Cav1.2-5 | F | GATTCTGTACCGACTGCTAAAC |
| Cav1.2-5 | R | CCATGTGCTGTGAGCTGTTC |
| Cav1.2-6 | F | GCAATTCTCTGGCACTCTTCC |
| Cav1.2-6 | R | TCATGTAGCCCTGGCTCTG |
| Cav1.1-1 | F | GAACAGTGGTGTTCGAGGTC |
| Cav1.1-1 | R | GAATGCAAGCAGCTGCCTG |
| Cav1.1-2 | F | CAGGCAGCTGCTTGCATTC |

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| Cav1.1-2 | R | CATTGCAAGGTGGAGGGTG |
| Cav1.1-3 | F | CTATGCCACCCTCCACCTTG |
| Cav1.1-3 | R | CTCCACTCACACCAGTCTCAGTG |
| Cav1.1-4 | F | CACTGAGACTGGTGTGAGTGGAG |
| Cav1.1-4 | R | GATTACTCTCTCTGCTCCCAGCG |
| Cav1.1-5 | F | CGCTGGGAGCAGAGAGAGTAATC |
| Cav1.1-5 | R | GCTCCATCTCGCTCAGGTGC |
| Cav1.3-1 | F | GCACACACACAAACTCACACAG |
| Cav1.3-1 | R | CTTGCAGCCTGCCAAGTATC |
| Cav1.3-2 | F | GATACTTGGCAGGCTGCAAG |
| Cav1.3-2 | R | GCTACTCTCTATCTTCCCATCC |
| Cav1.3-3 | F | GGATGGGAAGATAGAGAGTAGC |
| Cav1.3-3 | R | CATAATTAGAGCCGGGTGTGG |
| Cav1.3-4 | F | CCACACCCGGCTCTAATTATG |
| Cav1.3-4 | R | GCTAGCTTTCAGACATGCAC |
| Cav1.3-5 | F | GTGCATGTCTGGAAAGCTAGC |
| Cav1.3-5 | R | ACATAGATCCCTGGGTTATCATC |
| Cav1.4-1 | F | AGACACGTTTCATCTTCCAAGC |
| Cav1.4-1 | R | AGGGAGGATCGACCTCAG |
| Cav1.4-2 | F | GTCCTCTGACATCTACACATG |
| Cav1.4-2 | R | AGCACTACTGGATAGTAGAGAC |
| Cav1.4-3 | F | GTCTCTACTATCCAGTAGTGCT |
| Cav1.4-3 | R | GACAACAAGATGGGAGGGC |
| Cav1.4-4 | F | GCCCTCCCATCTTGTTGTC |
| Cav1.4-4 | R | CACCAAGCAGGCAGAAACC |
| AC6-1 | F | CTCCTTAGCTCACACACACAC |
| AC6-1 | R | GAGGCAGGTGAATTTCTGAGTTC |
| AC6-2 | F | CTCACTTTGTAGACCAGGCTGG |
| AC6-2 | R | GGATCTCTGCCTGACTCGTC |
| AC6-3 | F | GAAGCAATGGCTGTGTGAAGAG |
| AC6-3 | R | CAGATCTCAGGTTTCAGACAGG |
| AC6-4 | F | CCTGTCTGAACCTGAGATCTG |
| AC6-4 | R | CAGGTCAACACTTGTGGTAAGG |
| AC6-5 | F | CCTTACCACAAGTGTTGACCTG |
| AC6-5 | R | CAAGCAGCTGCCAAGTTAC |
| AC6-6 | F | GTA ACTTGGGCAGCTGCTTGCG |
| AC6-6 | R | GCAAACCTGCTGCGCACAGAAC |
| AC7-1 | F | GGACAACATTTA ACTGGGGCTGGC |
| AC7-1 | R | GACATGGCCAAGGTGACACTTGC |
| AC7-2 | F | GCAAGTGTCACCTTGCCATGTC |
| AC7-2 | R | GTGGGATCTGCGTGATCCTGG |
| AC7-3 | F | GTTCCAGGATCACGCAGATC |
| AC7-3 | R | CACA ACTCTACTGACCTGAAGG |
| AC7-4 | F | CCTTCAGGTCAGTAGAGTTGTG |
| AC7-4 | R | GCCTTAGGTCACCAGCCAG |
| AC7-5 | F | GACCACGTGGGAGAGGTAC |
| AC7-5 | F | GCTGGTCACACTGACCGTG |

Supplemental Table-2: Primers for qPCR

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| Cul4A | F | TCTCACAAAGTCTCCCCAACG |
| Cul4A | R | AGGACGTAGGTTTCGATCCAGA |
| Cul4B | F | TGCTGGCAAACCACTGTAGG |
| Cul4B | R | CCAAATGGAGGGTAGCATTGAA |
| Cul1 | F | CTCAGTTTGTGGCTTGGAGT |
| Cul1 | R | TGGAGAATCGGTAATCTTCCCA |
| Cul3 | F | CAGTCCCTCGCCTGTGGTA |
| Cul3 | R | TGGCTGCAACTGTTTGAATCT |
| Cav1.1 | F | TCAGCATCGTGGAATGGAAAC |
| Cav1.1 | R | GTTCAGAGTGTTGTTGTCATCCT |
| Cav1.2 | F | TTGAGCAACCTTGTGGCATCCTTG |
| Cav1.2 | R | ACGGGTCTGCATCTCATCGAAGTT |
| Cav1.3 | F | GCAAACCTATGCAAGAGGCACC |
| Cav1.3 | R | GGGAGAGAGATCCTACAGGTGG |
| Cav1.4 | F | GTGGAGAGAATGAGGACGCAA |
| Cav1.4 | R | TCCGAAGCGGGTTGGTTTG |
| AC1 | F | TGCTCTTCTTTGGTGTGAAC |
| AC1 | R | CTCAATGCAGTTTCGAGCC |
| AC2 | F | GACTGGCTCTACGAGTCCTAC |
| AC2 | R | GGGCAGTGGGAACGGTTAT |
| AC3 | F | CTCGCTTTATGCGGCTGAC |
| AC3 | R | ACATCACTACCACGTAGCAGT |
| AC4 | F | AGTACCCACTGCTGATACTGC |
| AC4 | R | AGCCACCCAAAGCACACAG |
| AC5 | F | CTTGGGGAGAAGCCGATTCC |
| AC5 | R | ACCGCTTAGTGGAGGGTCT |
| AC6 | F | GTACTCATGGTGGTGTGTAACC |
| AC6 | R | GGTATGTAGACGAAGAACACG |
| AC7 | F | AAGGGGCGCTACTTCCTAAAT |
| AC7 | R | GTGTCTGCGGAGATCCTCA |
| AC8 | F | CACTTACCTGCAATACAGCG |
| AC8 | R | AGGTGGCGAAGAGTGTA AAA |
| Gs | F | GCAGCGCGAGGCCAACAAAAA |
| Gs | R | GGTCCTCTTCGCCGCCCTCTC |
| PKA | F | AGCAGGAGAGCGTGAAAGAG |
| PKA | R | CCAGCTTAACCACTGCAAAA |
| pdk1 | F | GGACTTCGGGTCAGTGAATGC |
| pdk1 | R | TCCTGAGAAGATTGTCGGGGA |
| mafa | F | AGGAGGAGGTCATCCGACTG |
| mafa | R | CTTCTCGCTCTCCAGAATGTG |
| hhex | F | CGGACGGTGAACGACTACAC |
| hhex | R | CGTTGGAGAACCTCACTTGAC |
| pax6 | F | TACCAGTGTCTACCAGCCAAT |
| pax6 | R | TGCACGAGTATGAGGAGGTCT |
| ngn3 | F | CCAAGAGCGAGTTGGCACT |

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| ngn3 | R | CGGGCCATAGAAGCTGTGG |
| pdx1 | F | CCTTTCCCGAATGGAACCGA |
| pdx1 | R | GGGCCGGGAGATGTATTTGT |
| mafb | F | TGGATGGCGAGCAACTACC |
| mafb | R | CCAGGTCATCGTGAGTCACA |
| nkx6.1 | F | CTGCACAGTATGGCCGAGATG |
| nkx6.1 | R | CCGGGTTATGTGAGCCCAA |

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Antibodies and Reagents.

The anti-CUL4B antibody (c9995) was purchased from Sigma. The anti-CUL4A antibody (14851-1-AP), anti-ADCY6 antibody (14616-1-AP) and anti-Cav1.1 antibody were bought from Proteintech. The anti-Cav1.2 antibody (ACC-003) and anti-Cav1.3 antibody (ACC-005) were purchased from Alomone. The anti- ADCY7 (sc-25501) antibody and anti-Ddb1 (sc-25367) antibody were purchased from Santa Cruz Co. The anti-EZH2 (612666) antibody was purchased from BD Transduction Laboratories, the anti-trimethyl H3-K4, and anti-trimethyl H3-K27 antibody were purchased from Millipore, and the anti-Hhex (ab34222) antibody was obtained from Abcam. For immunofluorescence, the anti-insulin antibody (sc-9168) and anti-somatostatin antibody (sc-7819) were purchased from Santa Cruz Co. The secondary antibodies we utilized were Alexa Fluor 488 and Alexa 594 (Invitrogen, Camarillo, CA). The DAPI (C1002) was provided by Beyotime. The Cyclosomatostatin, SNX482, Isradipine, Nicardipine and MG132 were purchased from Abcam. The Rp-cAMP, Tharpsigargin, Diazoxide, DDA, Ast2B and Ucn3 were bought from Sigma-Aldrich. Collagensae P and SYBR Green were purchased from Roche. All other chemical or reagents were supplied by Sigma unless otherwise specified.

Islet isolation, dispersion, and culture

Pancreatic islets cells were isolated from differential genotypic adult mice and cultured as described previously(1). Briefly, adult mice were killed by cervical dislocation and pancreata were isolated from them individually. Adult pancreata were digested by collagensae P at 37 °C for 17-18 minutes. Digestion was terminated by Hank's balanced salt solution (136.9 mmol/l NaCl; 5.4 mmol/l KCl; 1.3 mmol/l CaCl₂; 0.8 mmol/l MgSO₄; 0.44 mmol/l KH₂PO₄; 0.34 mmol/l Na₂HPO₄; 5.55 mmol/l D-glucose; 4.4 mmol/l NaHCO₃, pH=7.35-7.45) followed by sedimentation which was at 4°C for 4 minutes each time. Finally, islets were collected by hand picking by a stereomicroscope. For all primary islet cell experiments, islets were cultured overnight in islet complete media containing 1000 mg/l glucose, 10% v/v FBS, 0.1% v/v penicillin/streptomycin. Then islets were hand-picked to three or six groups and each group has thirty islets. Each group was cultured in modified KRBB buffer (120 mmol/l NaCl, 5 mmol/l KCl, 2 mmol/l CaCl₂, 1 mmol/l MgCl₂, 24 mmol/l NaHCO₃ and 15 mmol/l HEPES at pH 7.42) for 1 hour starvation. After that, every group were stimulated with glucose, insulin or high KCl in mKRBB buffer for western blot, quantitative PCR and ELISA experiments.

Cell isolation and FACS purification

The *SST-cre; GFP^{fllox}; cul4b^{fllox}* mice and their wild type littermates were sacrificed firstly, then islets were isolated with collagenase P (Roche), and then the single pancreatic cells were obtained with 0.6U/ml Dispase II enzyme followed by filtration on a 40 µm nylon mesh. Approximately 5000 cells from *SST-cre; GFP^{fllox}; cul4b^{fllox}* mice and their wild type littermates were indicated, then were sorted for GFP expression. Six age-matched (12-14 weeks old) mice were used per genotype per sorting. Cell sorting was performed by the FACS service at Shandong University School of Medicine.

Somatostatin measurement

Thirty islets were treated with high glucose, other agonists or antagonists, for the indicated time points and the supernatant fraction was also collected to measure the secreted fractions. The islets were boiled at 100°C for 15 min to measure the cellular somatostatin content. The somatostatin levels were measured with the Phoenix Pharmaceuticals ELISA kit (EK-060-03), as what indicated by the manufacturer's instructions.

Insulin measurement

Thirty islets were treated with high glucose, other agonists or antagonists, for the indicated time points, and the supernatant fraction was also collected to measure the secreted fractions. The islets were lysed with 0.18 N HCl in 70% ethanol to measure the cellular insulin contents. The insulin levels were measured with the Millipore Rat / Mouse Insulin (Cat. # EZRMI-13K), as what indicated by the manufacturer's instructions. Analysis of the results was done using Matlab software.

Cell culture conditions and treatments

TGP52 cells purchased from the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC) (Maryland, USA) and TGP52 knocked down *cul4b* cells were cultured at 37°C, 5% CO₂ condition and in DMEM: F12 media (ATCC, 17.5 mmol/l glucose, 13 mmol/l HEPES, 2.5 mmol/l L-glutamine, 10% FBS, 100 U/ml penicillin and 100 µg/ml streptomycin) supplemented with 10% FBS, 100 U/ml penicillin and 100 µg/ml streptomycin. Insulin-secreting MIN6 cells were cultured in a DMEM media (25 mmol/l glucose, 2.5 mmol/l L-glutamine, 15% FBS, 50 µmol/l β-mercaptoethanol, 100U/ml penicillin and 100µg/ml streptomycin). NIH3T3 cells were cultured in 25 mmol/l glucose, 10% v/v FBS, 100U/ml penicillin and 100µg/ml streptomycin DMEM media. BV2 cells were cultured in 25 mmol/l glucose, 10% v/v FBS, 100U/ml penicillin and 100µg/ml streptomycin DMEM media without sodium pyruvate. For insulin or high glucose stimulation, the cells were starved for 12 h in low glucose media.

Insulin tolerance test

12-14 Weeks male mice were fasted for 6 h with water available ad libitum, and blood glucose was measured from tail blood before (baseline, 0 min) as well as 30, 60, 90 and 120 minutes after that mice were

intraperitoneally challenged with 0.75 U/kg body weight Novolin Regular Human Insulin (Novo Nordisk Pharmaceuticals Inc., Princeton, NJ).

Immunofluorescence

Briefly, mouse pancreases were dissected and fixed in 4% formaldehyde at 4°C for at least 8 h, then putted in 10% sucrose for 4h, 20% sucrose for 8h, 30% sucrose for 12h, sequentially. The mouse pancreases slices were incubated at 4°C with blocking buffer for 90-120 minutes, then incubated overnight at 4°C with anti-insulin (santa, 1:250), anti-somatostatin (santa, 1:500), and anti-CUL4B (SIGMA, 1:1000). After washing three times with PBS, the slices were incubated at 4°C with secondary antibodies Alexa Fluor 488 and Alexa Fluor 555 (Invitrogen). Finally the slices were stained with 4',6-diamidino-2-phenylindole and left in the dark before fluorescence microscopic analysis.

Detection of ubiquitinated Cav1.2 and AC6

TGP52 cells and TGP52 knocked down cul4b cells were cultured in 10 cm cell culture dishes and transfected with HA-ubiquitin(2). Two days after transfection, the cells were treated with proteasome inhibitor (MG132, 10 nM) for 6 h. The cells were then scraped and resuspended in lysis buffer. After 2 h of end-over-end rotation at 4°C, the lysate was cleared by high-speed centrifugation. The soluble lysate were incubated with 20 µl HA affinity beads for overnight. The beads were washed at least three times with lysis buffer and then resuspended with lysis buffer. The ubiquitinated Cav1.2 and AC6 were detected by specific antibodies.

Western blotting

TGP52 Cells were washed with cold PBS and lysed in cold lysis buffer (20 mM HEPES, 420 mM NaCl, 1.5 mM MgCl₂, 0.2 mM EDTA, 10 mM Na₃VO₄, 10 mM NaF, 25% (v/v) glycerol, protease inhibitor cocktail) for 20 minutes at 4°C. After centrifugation at 13800×g at 4°C for 30 min, the protein concentration was quantified by the Bradford protein assay. Equal amounts of lysate proteins were denatured in 2×loading buffer and boiled at 100°C for 10min. Proteins were probed by loading 20 µg aliquots (10% gels) under denaturing conditions on SDS/PAGE, followed by wet transfer onto PVDF membranes (Millipore). After transferring to nitrocellulose membranes and blocking, the membranes were incubated with the primary antibody at 4°C with gentle shaking overnight. After washing, the membranes were incubated with the secondary antibody for 2 h at room temperature followed by chemiluminescence detection with the substrate from Pierce. The films were scanned, and the band intensities were quantified using ImageJ software (National Institutes of Health, Bethesda MD).

To detection the expression Cav1.1, Cav1.2, Cav1.3, Cav1.4, TGP52 cells and TGP52 knocked down cul4b cells were cultured in 10 cm cell culture dishes. For preparation of membrane, the TGP52 cells were scraped

cells in 75 mM Tris-HCl pH 7.4, 2 mM EDTA, dounce the cells homogeneous 100-200 times, then centrifuge 1000 rpm 15min to get rid of the unbroken cells and nucleus, get supernatant. After that, centrifuge 17000 rpm 1 hour to get crude membranes, then resuspend the membrane in 75 mM Tris-HCl pH 7.4, 2 mM EDTA, 12.5 mM MgCl₂, pipet enough to make homogeneous membrane.

RNAi

For knock down Cav1.2, Cav1.3, AC6, AC7, EZH2 or DDB1, the TGP52 cells were transfected using Opti-MEM medium and Lipofectamine (Invitrogen) according to the manufacturer's instructions. Besides the siRNAs were purchased from Sigma.

Calcium measurement

[Ca²⁺]_i was measured using a Ca²⁺ imaging system (TILL, Germany). The primary cells were preloaded with fura-2 by incubation in 2 μM fura-2 AM for 30 min at 37°C. The loaded cells were excited at 340 nm and 380 nm alternately(3). The software calculated the F340/F380 ratio, which represents the corresponding [Ca²⁺]_i change.

cAMP measurement

TGP52 cells and knocked down cul4b cells were cultured in mKRBB buffer for 1hour starvation. After that, every group were sequentially stimulated with 1 mM or 20 mM glucose in mKRBB buffer for 15 minutes. Then the cAMP level was measured according to the manufacturer's protocols (KGE012B, Parameter).

ChIP and ChIP-Re-ChIP

Briefly, 1 x 10⁷ cells were cross-linked with 1% formaldehyde. Afterwards, these cells are sonicated, pre-cleared, and incubated with 5-10 μg of antibody per reaction at 4°C overnight. Then the beads were added to bind with the antibody for 2 h at 4°C(4). Complexes were washed with low and high salt buffers, and the DNA was extracted and precipitated. For Re-ChIP assays, the eluates were then diluted 30-fold with ChIP dilution buffer and subjected to a second immunoprecipitation reaction. The final elution step was performed using elution buffer (pH 8.0). The enrichment of the DNA template was analyzed by conventional PCR using primers specific for each target gene promoter

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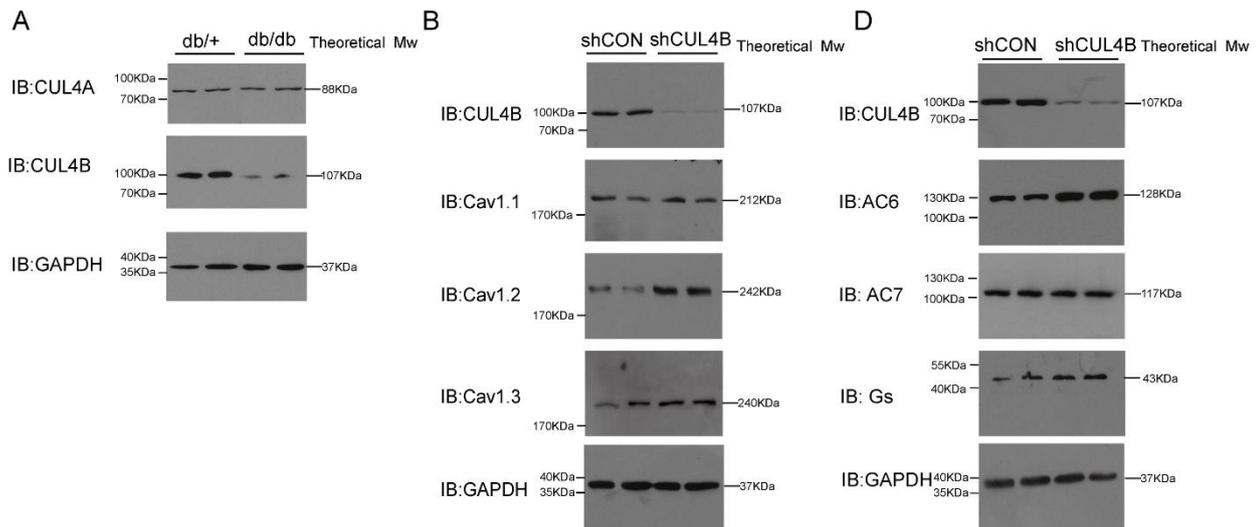


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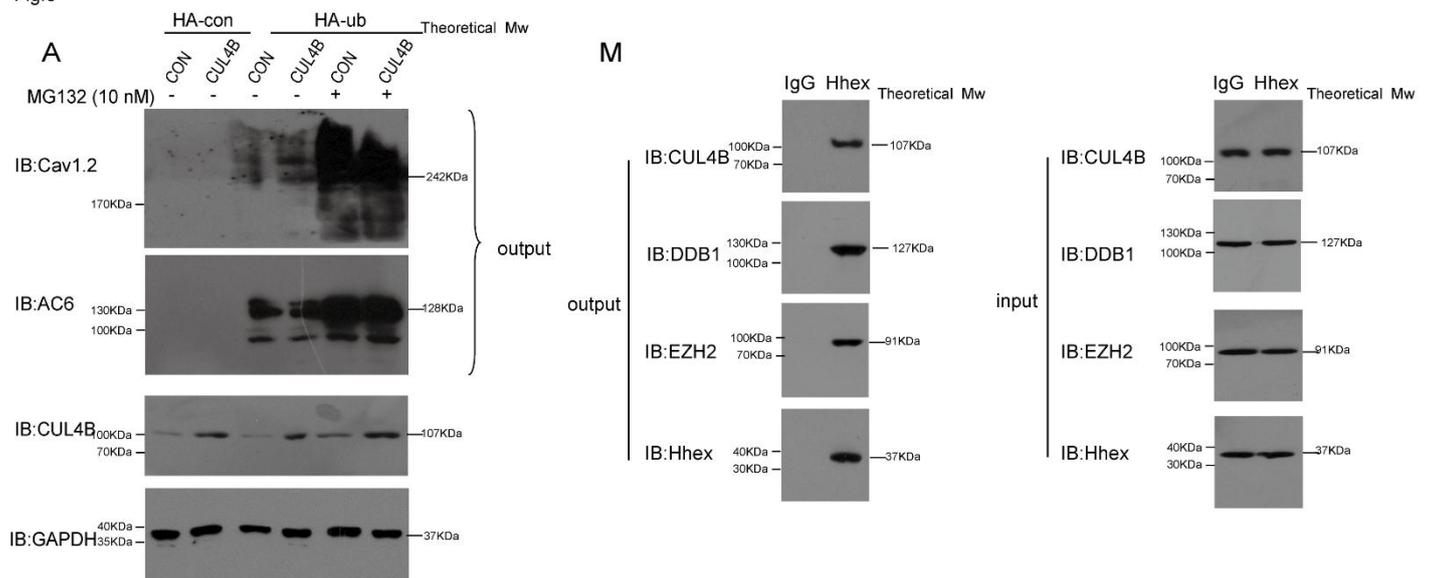


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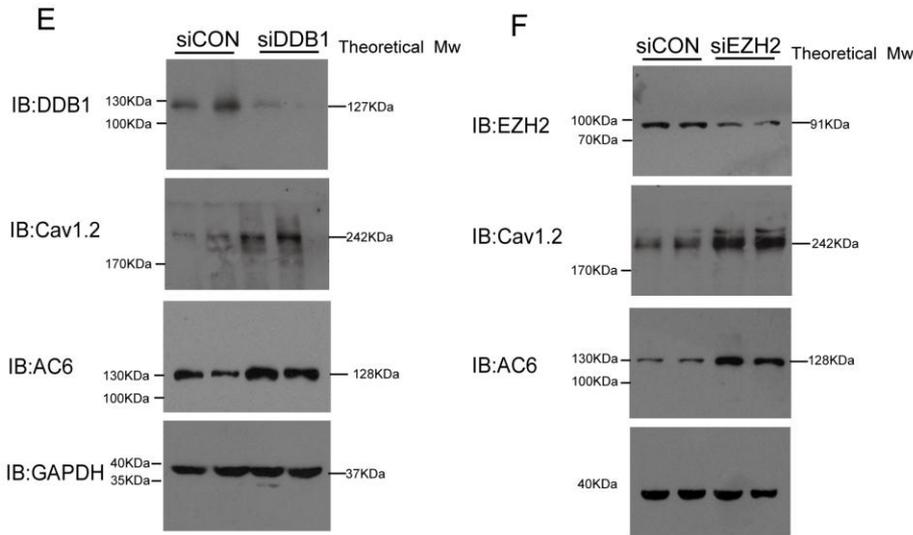
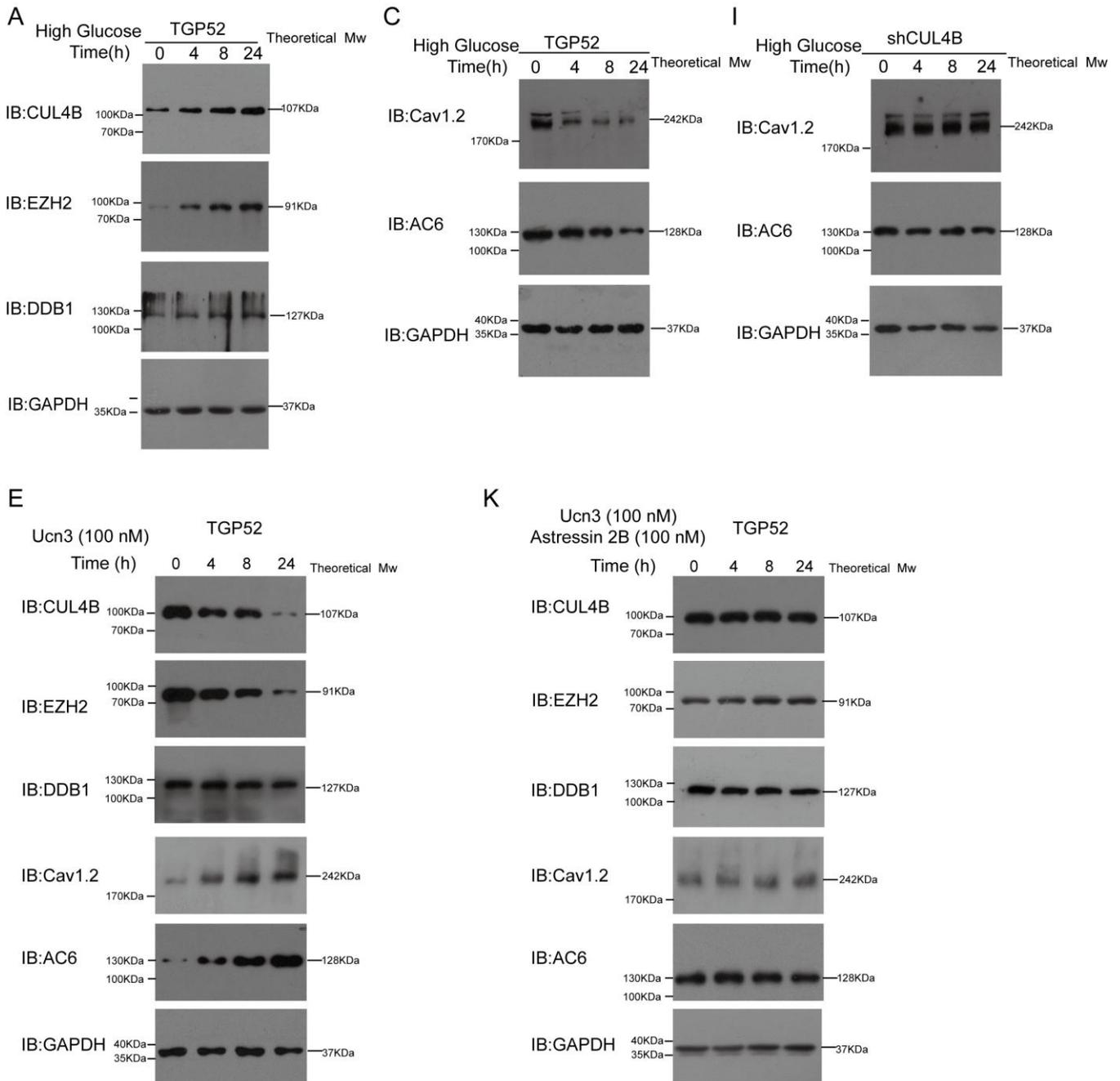
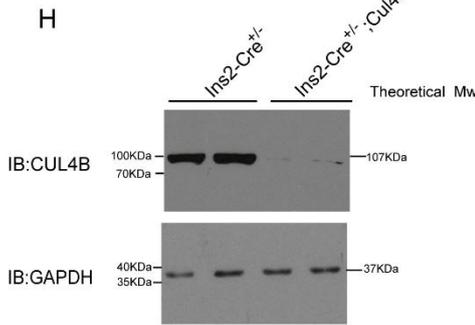


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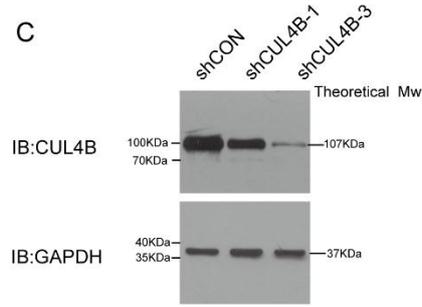


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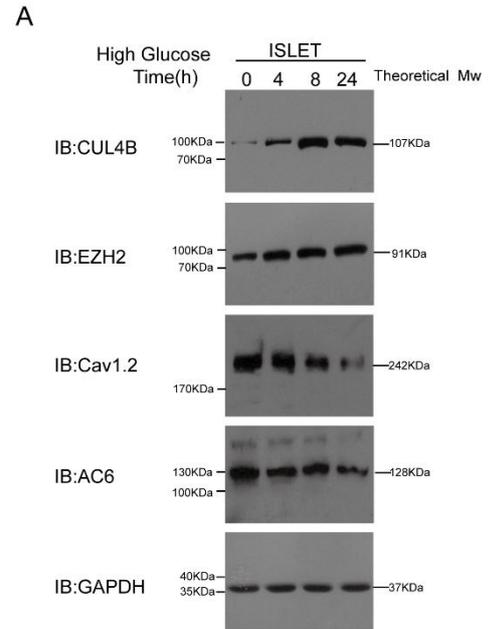
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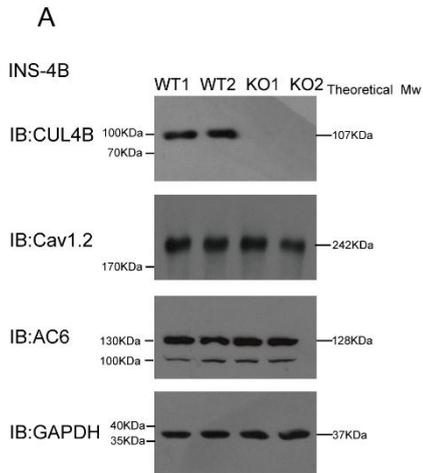
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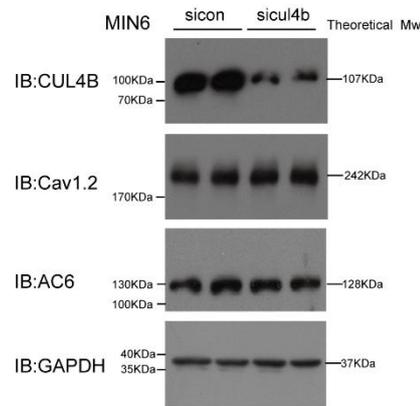
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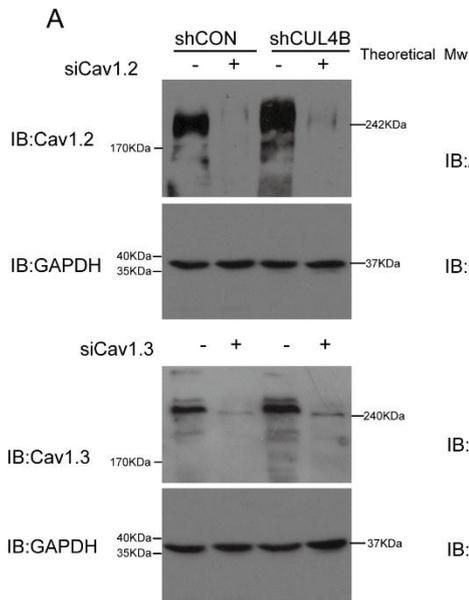
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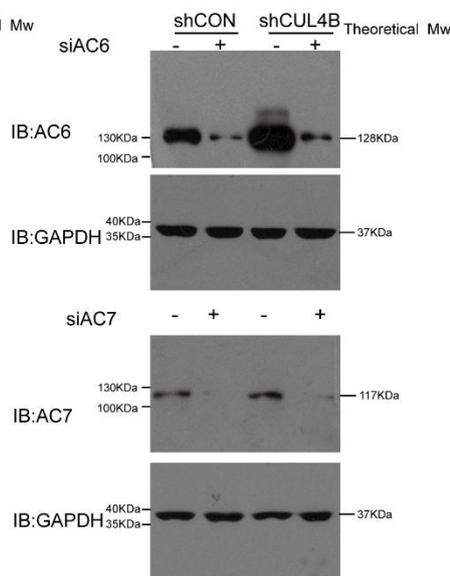
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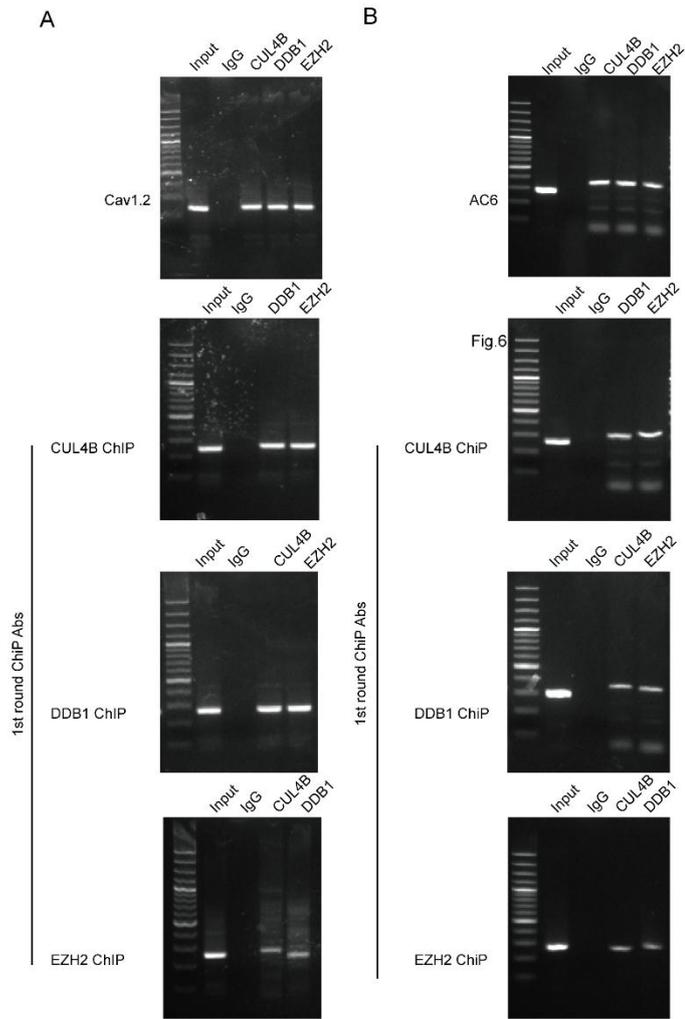


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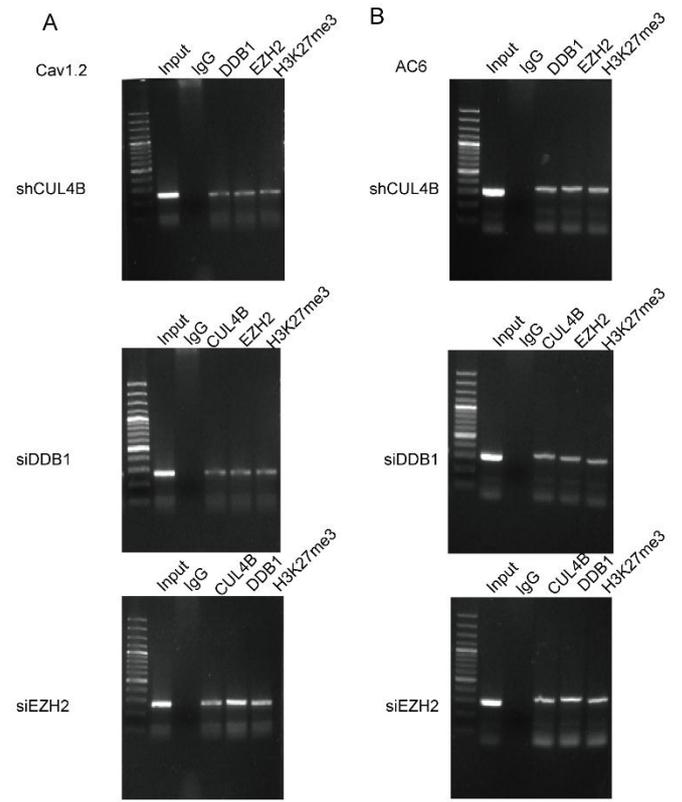


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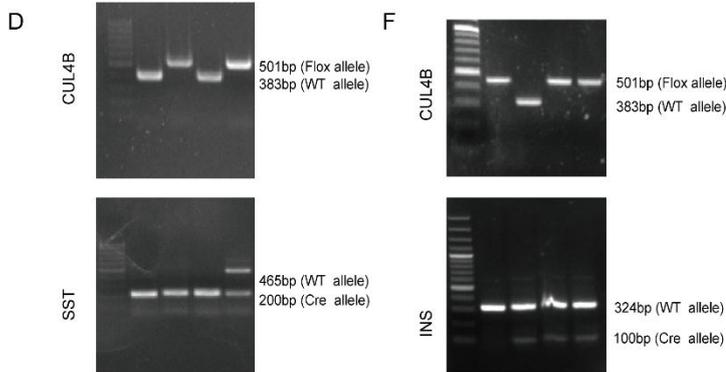
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