

**Figure S1. Development of diabetes is not influenced by changes in body weight or insulin sensitivity . (A-B)** No significant weight differences were found in Nkx2.2  $\Delta$ Beta vs. littermate control females (n=5-20) and males (n=3-12), by 2-tailed Student's t test. **(C-D)** Female Nkx2.2 $\Delta$ Beta mice are glucose intolerant beginning at 3 weeks of age (n=6-23) and become overtly diabetic by 11 weeks of age (n=7-33). \* $p \leq 0.05$ ; \*\* $p \leq 0.01$ ; \*\*\* $p \leq 0.001$ , by 2-tailed Student's t test. **(E)** Insulin tolerance tests demonstrate that the Nkx2.2 $\Delta$ Beta mice do not have insulin sensitivity defects compared to controls at 3 weeks of age. (n=3-5) , by 2-tailed Student's t test. **(F)** Glucose stimulated insulin secretion assays show normal insulin secretion levels in Nkx2.2 $\Delta$ Beta mice at 4 weeks of

age compared to controls (n=3). **(G)** Glucose stimulated insulin secretion assay exhibits an impaired basal insulin response in female Nkx2.2ΔBeta mice compared to controls at 17 months of age (n=3).\*\*p ≤0.01; by 2-tailed Student's t test.

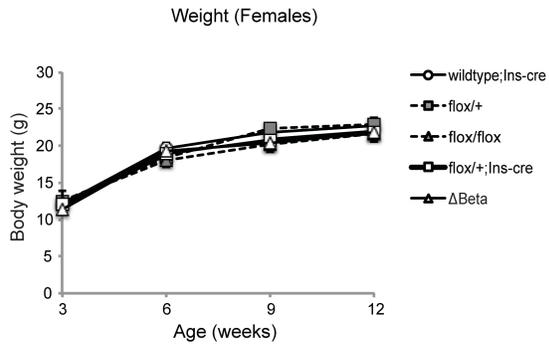
**Figure S2. Loss of important beta cell protein expression in Nkx2.2ΔBeta islets correlated with their decreased RNA expression. (A-D)** Representative images of immunostained islet sections from 4 week old **(A,B)** and 12 week old **(C,D)** Nkx2.2ΔBeta mice **(B,D)** and their littermate controls **(A,C)**. Dapi (grey) marks the nuclei and Glut2 (green) is on the cell membrane. Glut2 expression is decreased at 4 weeks of age and becomes almost undetectable at 12 weeks. **(E-F)** Representative images of immunostained islet sections from 4 week old Nkx2.2ΔBeta mice **(E)** and a littermate controls **(F)**. Insulin (blue), glucagon, somatostatin and pancreatic polypeptide, combined (red), and Nkx6.1 (green). **F'** and **F''** show higher magnification images of cells that are insulin+, express other hormones and are Nkx6.1 negative. **(G-J)** Immunostained islet sections from P0 **(G,H)** and 2 week old **(I,J)** Nkx2.2ΔBeta mice **(H,J)** and their littermate controls **(G,I)**. Dapi (blue) marks the nuclei, Insulin (red) and Ghrelin (green). Ghrelin expressing cells are rare and the numbers decrease with age both in the control and Nkx2.2ΔBeta mice. **(K)** Elevated plasma somatostatin levels are observed 30 min after glucose stimulation by intraperitoneal injection in Nkx2.2ΔBeta 4 week old mice compared to control mice (n=5).\*p≤0.05, by 2-tailed Student's t test.

**Figure S3. Nkx2.2 activates and represses an equal amount of targets preferentially through active and poised enhancer binding. (A)** Comparative analysis of ChIP-Seq

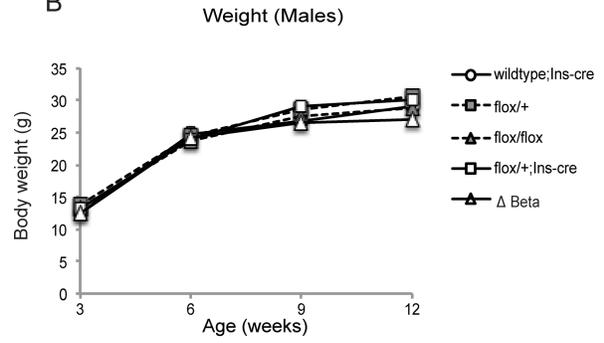
data from MIN6 cells with RNA-Seq data from Nkx2.2 $\Delta$ Beta compared to control islets demonstrates that Nkx2.2 represses and activates relatively equal numbers of direct targets regulated by Nkx2.2. **(B)** Chromatin state of regions bound by Nkx2.2 shows preferential binding to active enhancers (H3k427ac+/H3k4me+) and poised enhancers (H3k4me+). Repressed enhancers (H3k4me+/H3k27me3+) constitute a minor proportion. ChIP-Seq analysis done using Nkx2.2 binding peaks present in all triplicate samples.

**Figure S4. Nkx2.2 activates beta cell genes and represses non beta cell islet genes during adulthood.** **(A)** qRT-PCR analysis from Nkx2.2 $\Delta$ Adult Beta and control mice present with gene expression changes at 5 wks after the last tamoxifen injection that continue to exacerbate 6-7months after the last tamoxifen injection. \* $p \leq 0.05$ ; \*\* $p \leq 0.01$ ; \*\*\* $p \leq 0.001$ , by 2-tailed Student's t test.

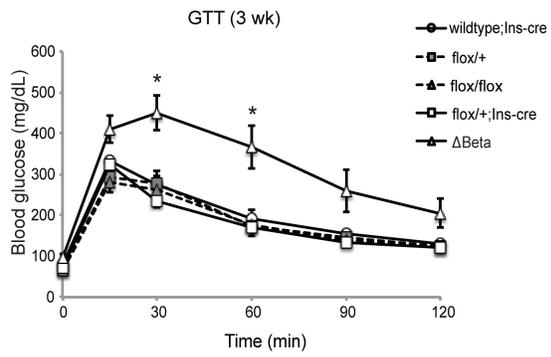
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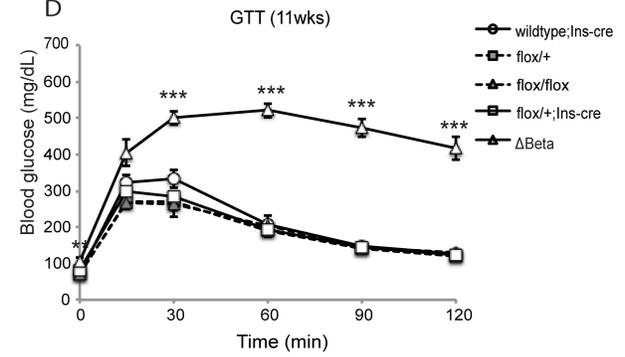
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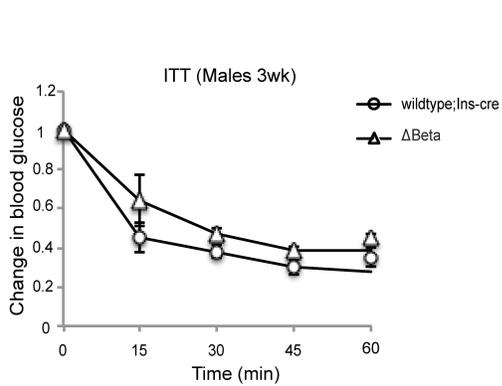
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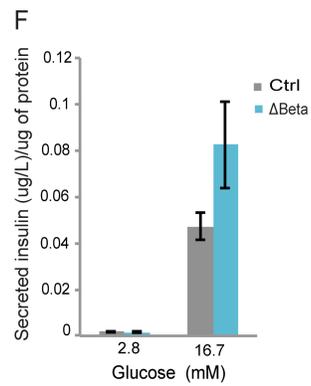
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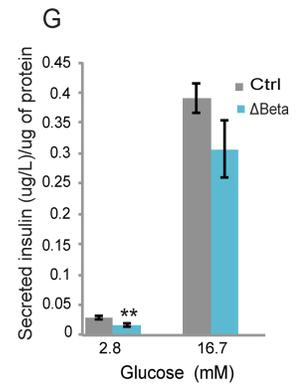
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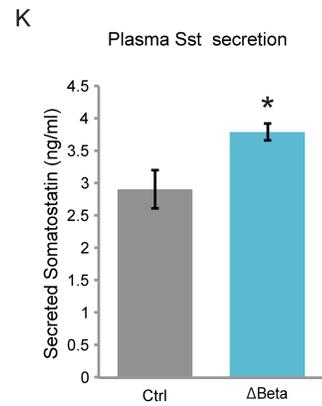
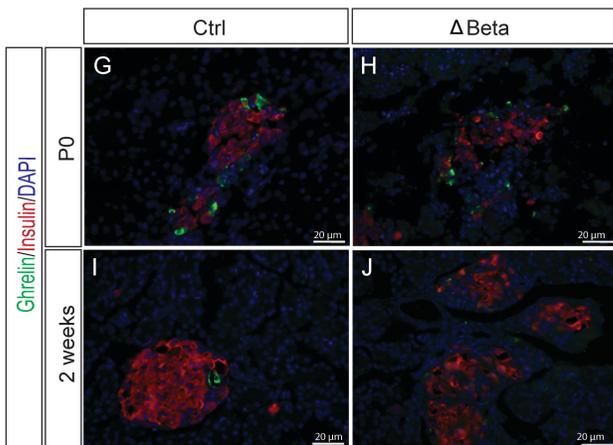
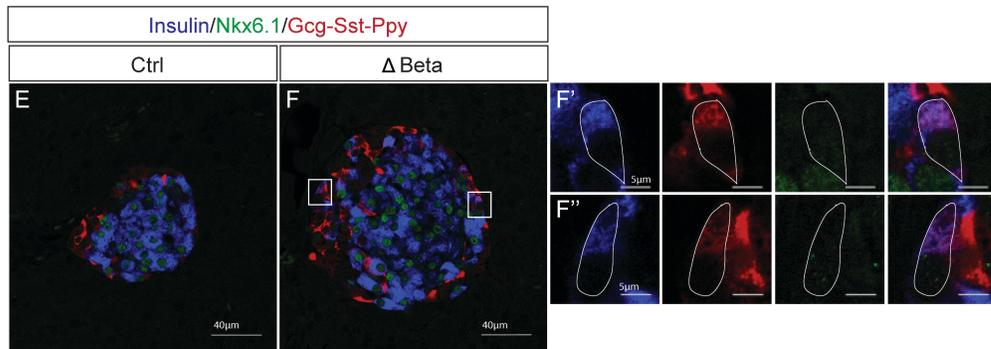
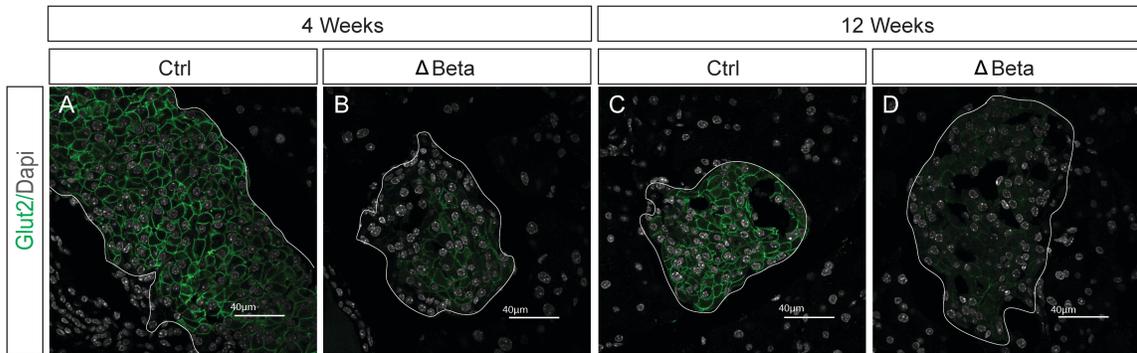


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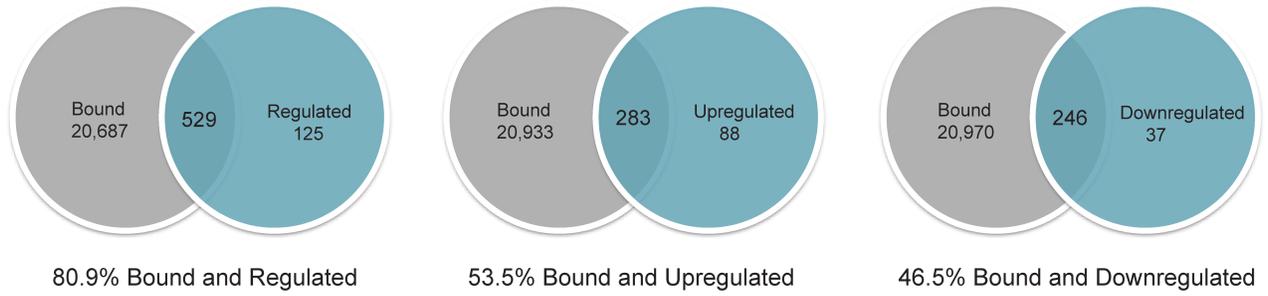


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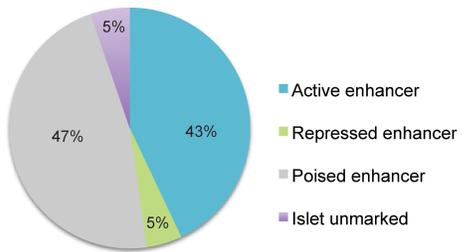


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Chromatin State of regions bound by Nkx2.2



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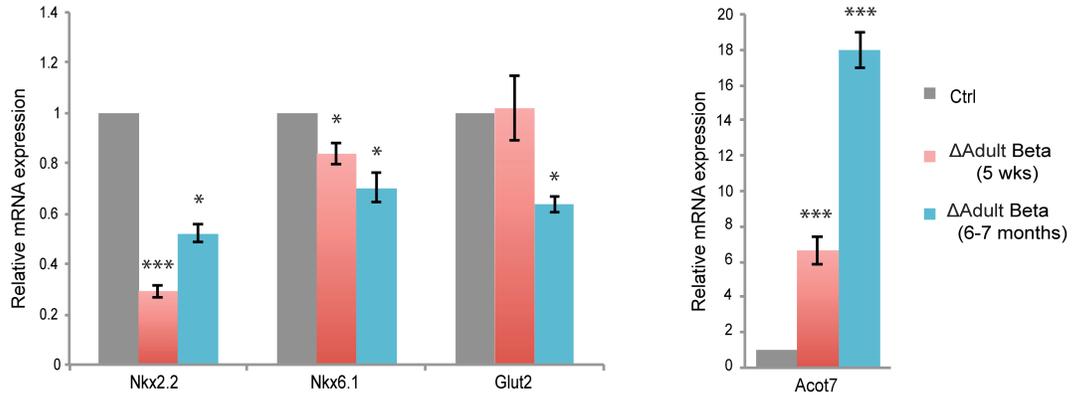


Table S4. List of primary antibodies used in western blot analysis and immunohistochemistry

<b>Primary Antibodies</b>				
<i>Antigen</i>	<i>Host</i>	<i>Dilution</i>	<i>Source</i>	<i>Catalogue #</i>
Glucagon	Goat	1:200	Santa Cruz	sc-7780
Insulin	Guinea Pig	1:1000	Dako	A0564
Nkx2.2	Rabbit	1:200	Sigma	hpa003468
Pancreatic Polypeptide	Goat	1:150	Sigma	SAB2500747
RFP	Rabbit	1:1000	Rockland Immunochemicals	600-401-379
Somatostatin	Rat	1:500	Abcam	ab30788
Cleaved Caspase 3	Rabbit	1:500	Cell Signaling	9661
$\alpha$ -Ghrelin	Goat	1:800	Santa Cruz Biotechnologies	sc10368

Table S5. List of secondary antibodies used in western blot analysis and immunohistochemistry.

<b>Secondary Antibodies</b>			
<i>Antigen</i>	<i>Conjugation</i>	<i>Dilution</i>	<i>Source</i>
Guinea Pig/Rabbit/Goat	Alexa-488	1:500	Jackson Immunoresearch
Rabbit	Cy3	1:500	Jackson Immunoresearch
Goat/ Guinea Pig/ Rat	Alexa-647	1:500	Jackson Immunoresearch
Rabbit	HRP	1:10,000	Jackson Immunoresearch

Table S6. List of primer sequences, probes and AODs used for qRT-PCR analysis in mouse samples

<b>Gene</b>	<b>AOD</b>
Insulin 2	Mm00731595_gh
Slc2a2	Mm00446229_m1
Nkx6.1	Mm00454962_m1
Somatostatin	Mm00436671_m1
Insulin 1	Mm01950294_s1
Chromogranin A	Mm00514341_m1
Acot7	Mm00460107_m1

<b>Gene</b>	<b>Sybr green FWD</b>	<b>Sybr green REV</b>
Hhex	TCAGAATCGCCGAGCTAAAT	CTGTCCAACGCATCCTTTT

<b>Gene</b>	<b>Probe</b>	<b>FWD</b>	<b>REV</b>
Nkx2.2	CCATTGACTCTGCCCCATCGCTCT	CCTCCCCGAGTGGCAGAT	GAGTTCTATCCTCTCCAAAAGTTCAAA
Cyclophilin B	TGGTACGGAAGGTGGAG	GCAAAGTTCTAGAGGGCAGGA	CCCGGCTGTCTGTCTGGT

Table S7. List of primer sequences and AODs used for qRT-PCR analysis in human samples

<b>Gene</b>	<b>AOD</b>
NKX2.2	Hs00159616_m1

<b>Gene</b>	<b>Sybr green FWD</b>	<b>Sybr green REV</b>
36B4	GGCGACCTGGAAGTCCAAC	CCATCAGCACCCACAGCCTTC