

## Supplementary Figure Legends

**Supplementary Figure 1. Reduced Pdx1 mRNA and protein but normal Ngn3 mRNA and Ngn3+ endocrine progenitor numbers in *Pdx1*<sup>+/-</sup> mice.** (A) *Pdx1* mRNA levels in e13.5 total pancreas from *Pdx1*<sup>+/-</sup> (gray bars) and wild-type (black bars) littermate controls (n=6, \*p<0.05), measured by real-time PCR and normalized to *HPRT* transcript levels. (B) Western Blot quantitation of total Pdx1 protein levels in e13.5 pancreata from *Pdx1*<sup>+/-</sup> and wild-type littermate controls normalized to cyclophilin B (n=9 per group, \*p<0.05). (C) *ngn3* mRNA levels in total pancreas of e13.5 animals, measured by quantitative real-time RT-PCR. Values are normalized to HPRT mRNA levels and expressed relative to wild-type. N=5; \*p =0.005. (D) Number of Ngn3+ cells per unit of epithelial area (e11.5) or pancreatic area (e13.5-P1) quantified from three (e13.5-P1) or five (e11.5) tissue sections per animal. N=5 per genotype.

**Supplementary Figure 2. Decreased expression of endocrine hormones and transcription factors at e13.5 in *Pdx1*<sup>ΔC/ΔC</sup> mice.** mRNA levels of endocrine hormones (A) and transcription factors (B) in total pancreas from *Pdx1*<sup>+/+</sup> (black bars), *Pdx1*<sup>ΔC/+</sup> (gray bars) and *Pdx1*<sup>ΔC/ΔC</sup> (white bars) e13.5 embryos measured by quantitative real time RT-PCR (N=7-9 per genotype, \*p<0.05). Levels were normalized to HPRT mRNA and expressed as fold change compared to wild-type.

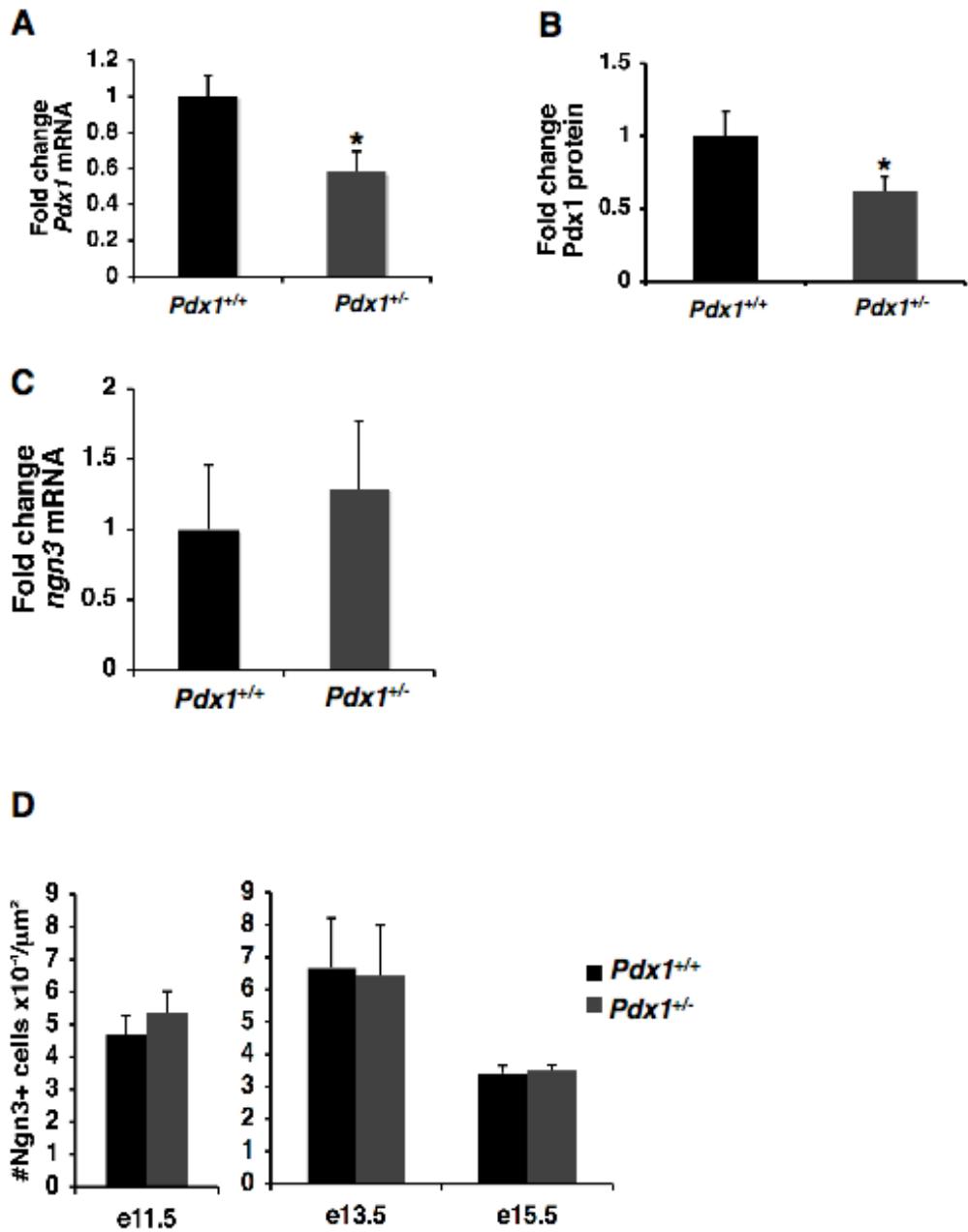
**Supplementary Figure 3. Survival of Ngn3+ endocrine progenitors in  $Pdx1^{\Delta C/\Delta C}$  mice.**

Representative example of triple immunofluorescence for Ngn3 (green), TUNEL (red) and DAPI (blue) of e19.5 pancreas from  $Pdx1^{\Delta C/\Delta C}$  mice. Arrow points to the same cell in all panels. Bar=10 $\mu$ m.

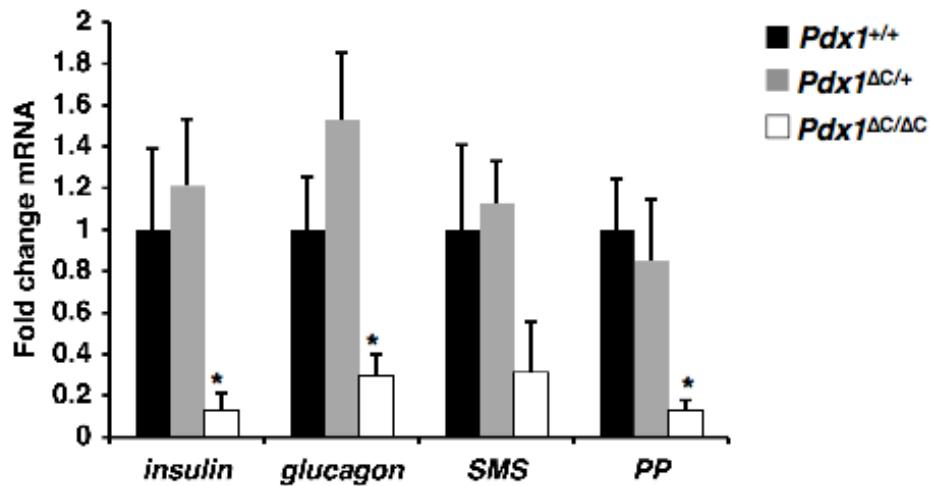
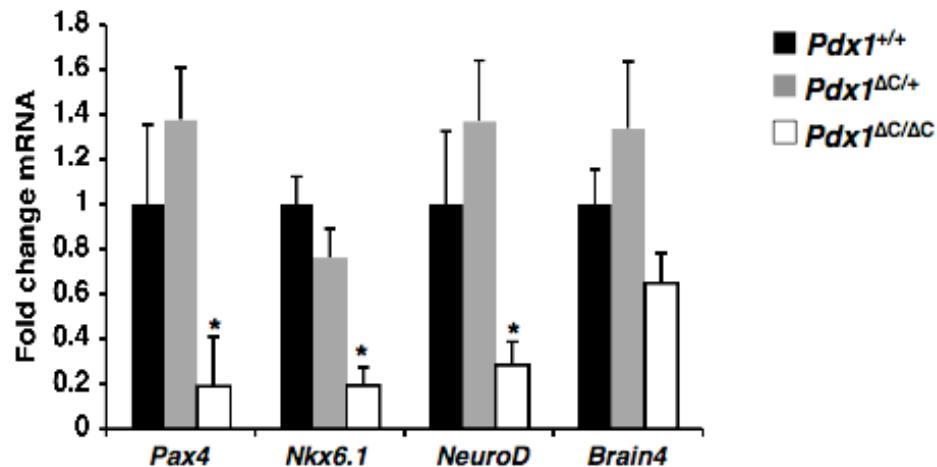
**Supplementary Figure 4. Pdx1 and Ngn3 do not co-localize at e19.5.** Double immunofluorescence for Ngn3 (green, left) and Pdx1 (red, middle) of e19.5 wild-type pancreata. Merged image is shown on the right. Bar=10 $\mu$ m.

**Supplementary Table 1. Increase in TUNEL+Ngn3+ cells in  $Pdx1^{\Delta C/+}$  and  $Pdx1^{\Delta C/\Delta C}$  mice at e19.5.** Number of double positive TUNEL+/Ngn3+ cells per pancreatic section at e15.5 and e19.5. N=5-6 embryos per genotype.

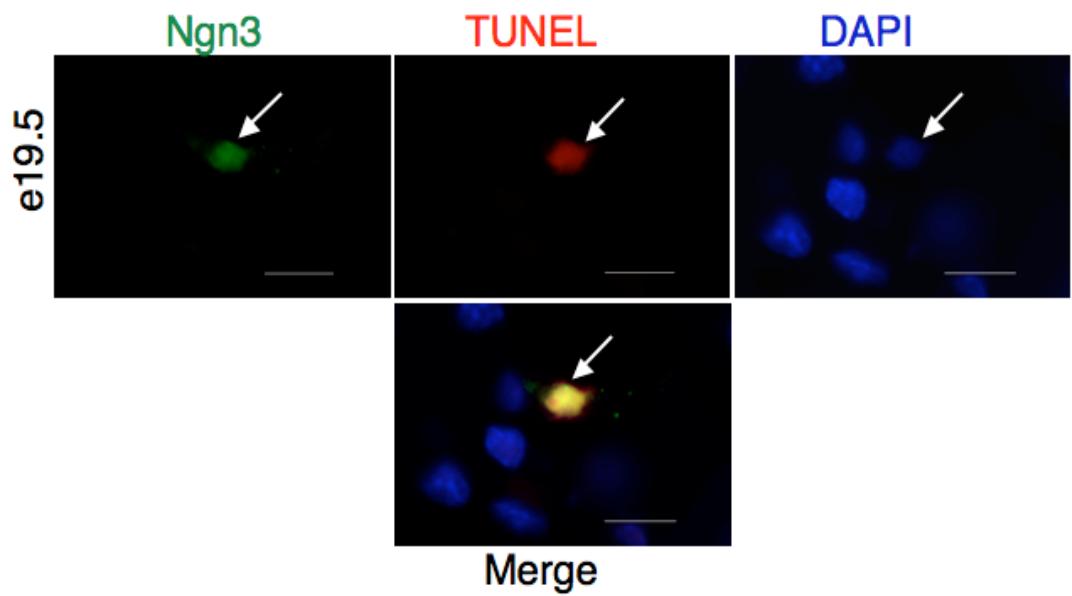
**Supplementary Table 2. Quantitative PCR primers.**



Supplementary Figure 1

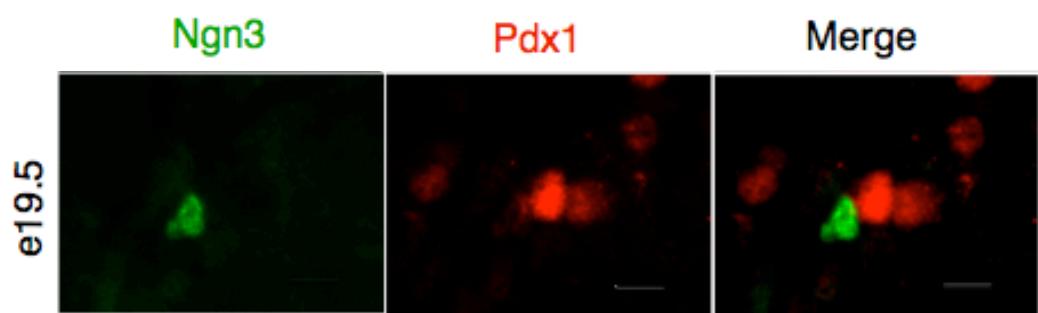
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Supplementary Figure 2



**Supplementary Figure 3**

**A**



**Supplementary Figure 4**

**Supplementary Table 1.**

Genotype	TUNEL+Ngn3+/Total Ngn3+ (%)	
	e15.5	e19.5
<i>Pdx1</i> <sup>+/+</sup>	0/105 (0)	0/53 (0)
	0/123 (0)	1/35 (2.9)
	0/116 (0)	0/58 (0)
	0/129 (0)	0/39 (0)
	0/89 (0)	0/60 (0)
<i>Pdx1</i> <sup>+/<math>\Delta</math>C</sup>	1/62 (1.6)	0/47 (0)
	1/110 (0.9)	2/66 (3.0)
	0/167 (0)	0/61 (0)
	0/56 (0)	2/18 (11.1)
	0/64 (0)	1/30 (3.3)
<i>Pdx1</i> <sup><math>\Delta</math>C/<math>\Delta</math>C</sup>	0/72 (0)	1/21 (4.8)
	2/44 (4.5)	2/27 (7.4)
	0/41 (0)	0/13 (0)
	0/56 (0)	0/5 (0)
	0/37 (0)	0/19 (0)
	0/66 (0)	1/31 (3.2)

**Supplementary Table 2.**

Target	Forward Primer (5'-3')	Reverse Primer (5'-3')
cDNA		
<i>Hnf4a</i>	atgacacgtccccatctgaag	ctcgaggctccgtagtgttg
<i>Hnf1a</i>	accactgcattccctccatca	acctcaggcttgtggctgtat
<i>Ptf1a</i>	tcttcagggcactctttc	tcctctgggttccacacttta
<i>Brain4</i>	ggctgattcatccacaggaag	ttccagtagcccttgacact
<i>Pax4</i>	tcctgtggcttcctccatca	gaggcctcttatggccagttt
<i>Nkx6.1</i>	aacacaccagacccacgttct	atccccagagaataggccaag
<i>NeuroD</i>	gcccgacttaatgccatcttt	caaaaagggtgcctctgtaa
<i>ins</i>	tggcttcttacacacccaag	acaatgccacgcctctgcc
<i>glu</i>	gcacattcaccagcgtactaca	cgggtcccttgggtgttcatc
<i>SMS</i>	ctgaggcaaggaagatgctgt	gcagaaaactgacggagtctgg
<i>PP</i>	ttgcaggcctcttgcattca	tagtttgcagggagcaggtt
<i>Pdx1</i>	gaaccggagaaaaacaagagg	gttcaacatcaactggcagctc
<i>Ngn3</i>	tctcaaggcatctgcctcttc	acagcaagggtaccgtatgaga
<i>Hnf6</i>	caaattcaccatctcccagcag	cagactcctcctcctggcatt
<i>Sox9</i>	cttctgtggagcgacaactt	agggagggaaaaacagagaacg
<i>Foxa2</i>	gagcaccattacgccttcaac	aggccttgaggccatttgt
<i>Hnf1b</i>	catctgcaatgggtggcacag	ggcttgcaatggcacactgttt
<i>Hes1</i>	agaggctgccaagggttttg	tccactgttgcgtgttaga
<i>GDF11</i>	cagccctctgtgtcattt	tccccagtttaggggttcagt
<i>HPRT</i>	ggccagacttggatttg	tgcgtcatcttaggctttgt
Promoter		
<i>Ngn3 (-4464)</i>	ggcccaggattatgtcagga	gcgcacatatgttaggcagctc
<i>Ngn3 (-4199)</i>	actttgtttctggctctgc	gtcctcgaacaaaggagaag
<i>Ngn3 (-3872)</i>	catgagcagctgccttatct	ggctcaccaacccatatttc
<i>Ngn3 (-3670)</i>	gccttgcaagccaacctgttat	ctgacacatggattggcactg
<i>Ngn3 (-3527)</i>	ccggatttatcacggcaaag	tgttagcctccccacaact
<i>Ngn3 (-3332)</i>	agactccggccagagatgttt	aaaaagaaagccccacctgtc
<i>Foxa2 (+1)</i>	gtgaggcggtggtgatata	tgtgagctgatttcaatgg
<i>Foxa2 (+550)</i>	aaggcagggtgacagccaattt	gccagcgaggtaaagggtgt
<i>Hnf1<math>\beta</math></i>	ctgagccatcttcctctgtt	acagggtcaagctggagtt
<i>Sox9</i>	atctctccatatttgtattaagggtta	ggcccttagggcattttgaa
<i>Hnf6</i>	caagctggctgaagttaggg	ctctgctgggtctcaacatt