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### ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

## Update on clinical trials of encapsulated pig islets.

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**16 November 2015 – Sydney, Australia & Auckland, New Zealand** - Today at the Joint Congress of the International Xenotransplantation Association (IXA) and International Pancreas and Transplant Association (IPITA) and the Cell Transplant Society (CTS) in Melbourne, Professor Shinichi Matsumoto, Chief Scientific Advisor, Otsuka Pharmaceutical Factory, Inc. (OPF) gave the attached presentation entitled “Clinical trial of encapsulated neonatal porcine islet xenotransplantation”. The presentation includes a review and update of Diatranz Otsuka Limited’s clinical trials of DIABECELL<sup>®</sup>, a cell therapy for type 1 diabetes.

LCT and OPF each hold a 50% interest in Diatranz Otsuka Limited which has licensed OPF to further develop DIABECELL in USA.

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### About Living Cell Technologies

Living Cell Technologies Limited (LCT) is an Australasian biotechnology company improving the wellbeing of people with serious diseases worldwide by discovering, developing and commercialising regenerative treatments which restore function using naturally occurring cells.

LCT’s lead product NTCELL<sup>®</sup> is an alginate coated capsule containing clusters of neonatal porcine choroid plexus cells. After transplantation NTCELL functions as a biological factory producing factors to promote new central nervous system growth and repair disease induced nerve degeneration.

The Phase I/IIa NTCELL clinical trial in New Zealand for the treatment of Parkinson’s disease met the primary endpoint of safety and showed clinical efficacy improvements. These encouraging results presented at the World Congress of Movement Disorders and Parkinson’s Disease, San Diego in June

2015 have been used to design a larger Phase IIb trial to evaluate its potential as a disease-modifying treatment for patients with Parkinson's disease.

NTCELL has the potential to be used in a number of other central nervous system indications such as Huntington's, Alzheimer's and motor neurone diseases.

LCT's proprietary encapsulation technology, IMMUPEL™, allows cell therapies to be used without the need for co-treatment with drugs that suppress the immune system.

LCT is listed on the Australian (ASX: LCT) and US (OTCQX: LVCLY) stock exchanges. The company is incorporated in Australia, with its operations based in New Zealand.

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# Clinical trial of encapsulated neonatal porcine islet xenotransplantation

Shinichi Matsumoto

Otsuka Pharmaceutical Factory, Inc  
Diatranz Otsuka Ltd

- ☆ Current status of allogeneic islet transplantation and its limitation especially donor shortage
- ☆ Advantage and disadvantage of islet xenotransplantation using porcine islets
- ☆ Clinical outcomes of encapsulated neonatal porcine islet xenotransplantation
- ☆ Future direction of porcine islet xenotransplantation



# IPITA OPINION LEADERS CONSENSUS MEETING ON BETA CELL REPLACEMENT



Oxford, United Kingdom  
May 7-9, 2014



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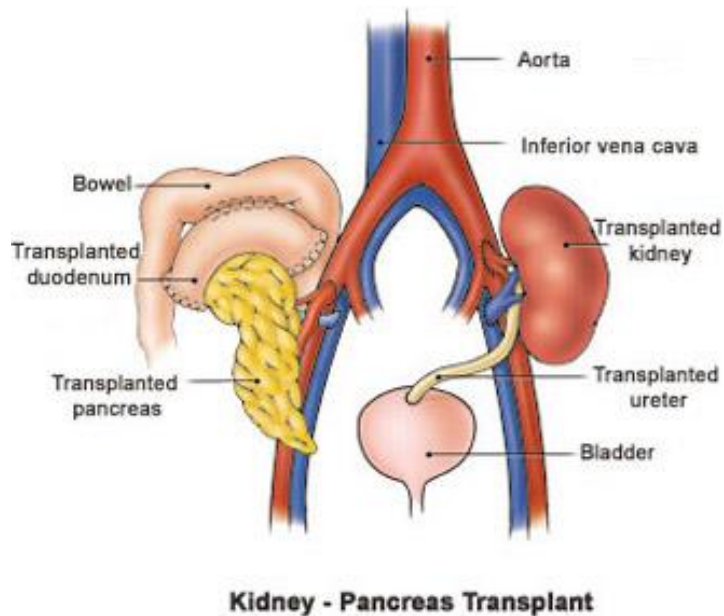
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**The Transplantation**  
Society

# Rationale for beta cell replacements

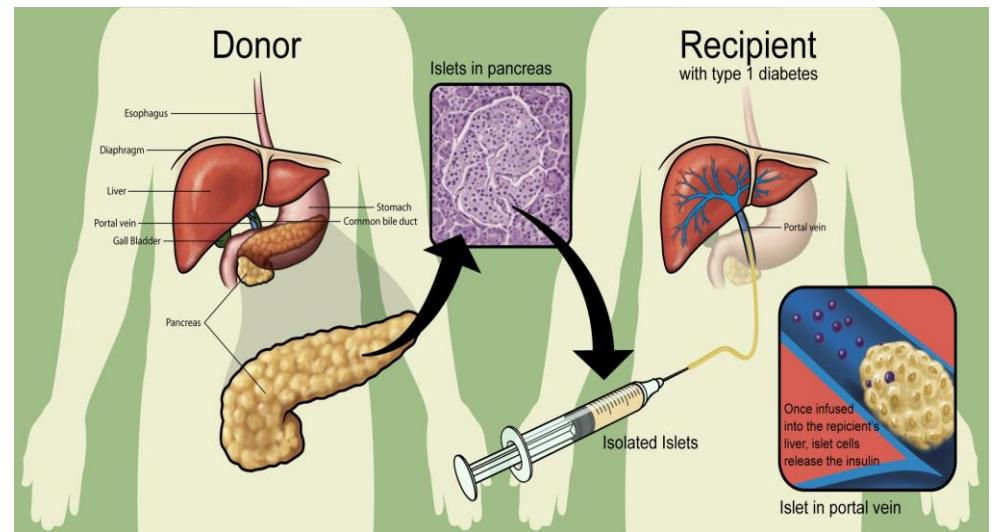
- 15 to 20 million people worldwide suffer from type 1 diabetes (T1D).  
WHO. Diabetes. 2010
- 12.5 % of patients with T1D for >20 yrs are unaware of hypoglycemia.  
Pedersen-Bjergaard et al., DMRR 2009
- 7 to 10% of all patients with T1D die from complications of hypoglycemia.  
Reviewed by Cryer PE, *Diabetes* 2011
- The effectiveness of human pancreas and islet transplantation in restoring protection from severe hypoglycemia is unmatched by any other therapy.
- However, these therapies are at best available to 0.1% of patients with T1D.

# Beta Cell Replacement Therapy

## Pancreas and Islet Transplantation



Pancreas transplantation  
(Major Surgical Procedure)



Islet Transplantation  
(Cell infusion under local anesthesia)

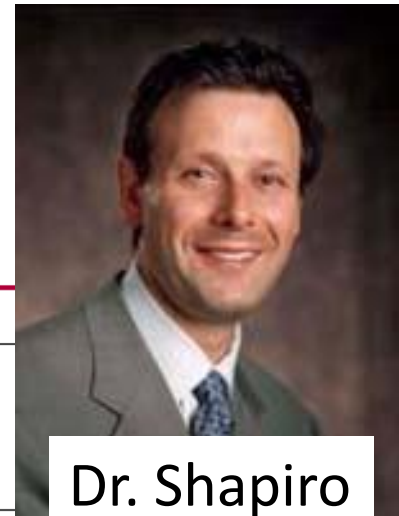


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## ISLET TRANSPLANTATION IN SEVEN PATIENTS WITH TYPE 1 DIABETES MELLITUS USING A GLUCOCORTICOID-FREE IMMUNOSUPPRESSIVE REGIMEN

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## Edmonton Protocol

Insulin free at 1 year after islet transplantations

Cell infusion can be the replacement of major surgery



# Allogeneic Islet Transplantation

A recent multicenter prospective phase 3 study demonstrated that:

- 1) Islets can be manufactured reproducibly at multiple sites using a common manufacturing process
- 2) Independence from exogenous insulin can be achieved in about half of islet recipients at 1 year from infusion with 1 or 2 infusions needed
- 3) Glycemic control is excellent even when insulin independence is not achieved
- 4) Hypoglycemia unawareness is treated effectively by islet transplant with associated freedom from severe hypoglycemic events

# Remaining issues of islet transplantation

1. Donor shortage
2. Necessity of immunosuppressant

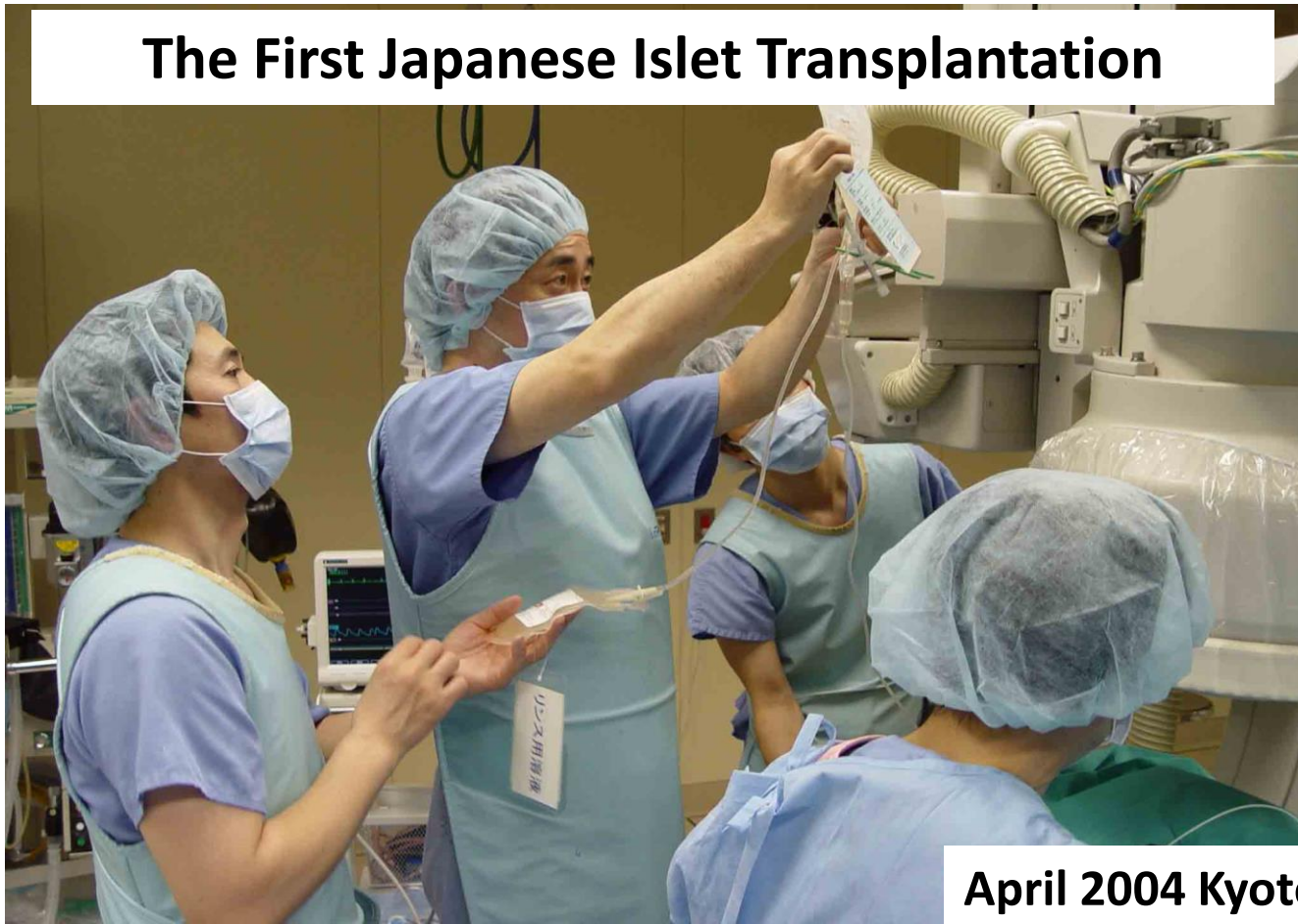
Alleviate donor shortage

# Successful Islet Transplantation from **Nonheartbeating** Donor Pancreata Using Modified Ricordi Islet Isolation Method

(Transplantation 2006)

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## The First Japanese Islet Transplantation



April 2004 Kyoto Japan

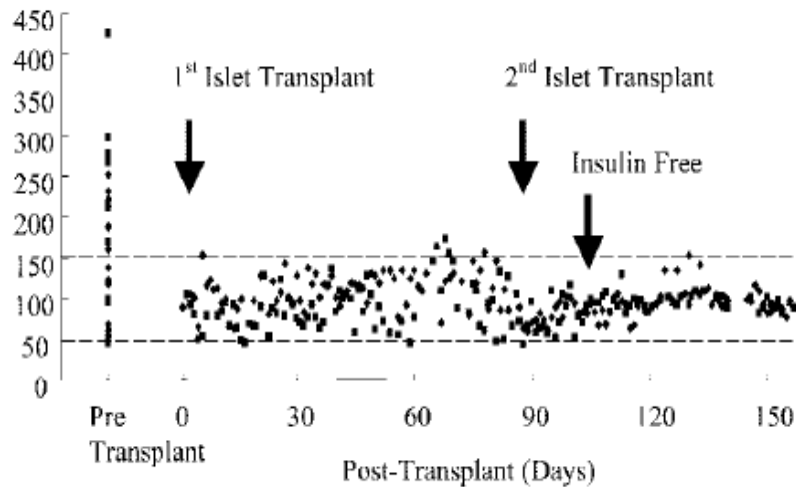


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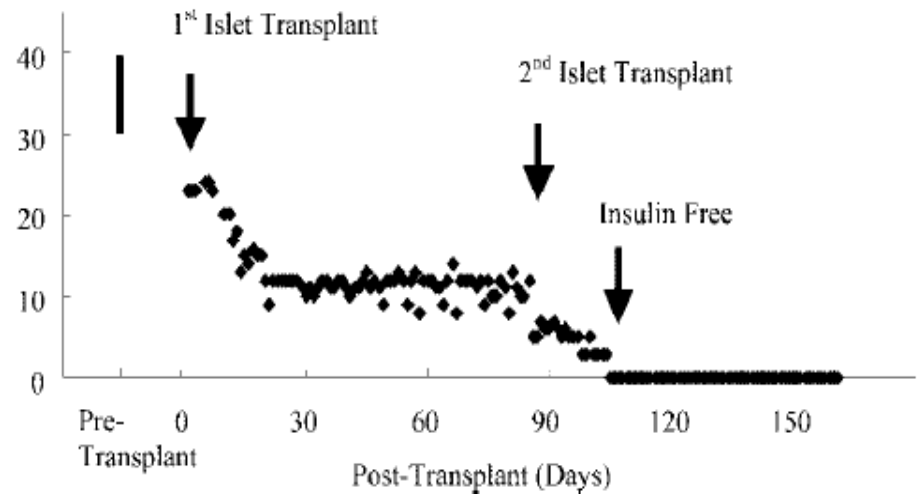
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A Blood Glucose (mg/dl)



B Insulin Dose





# Insulin independence after **living-donor** distal pancreatectomy and islet allotransplantation

*Lancet* 2005; 365: 1642-44

Shinichi Matsumoto, Teru Okitsu, Yasuhiro Iwanaga, Hirofum

Published online April 19, 2005

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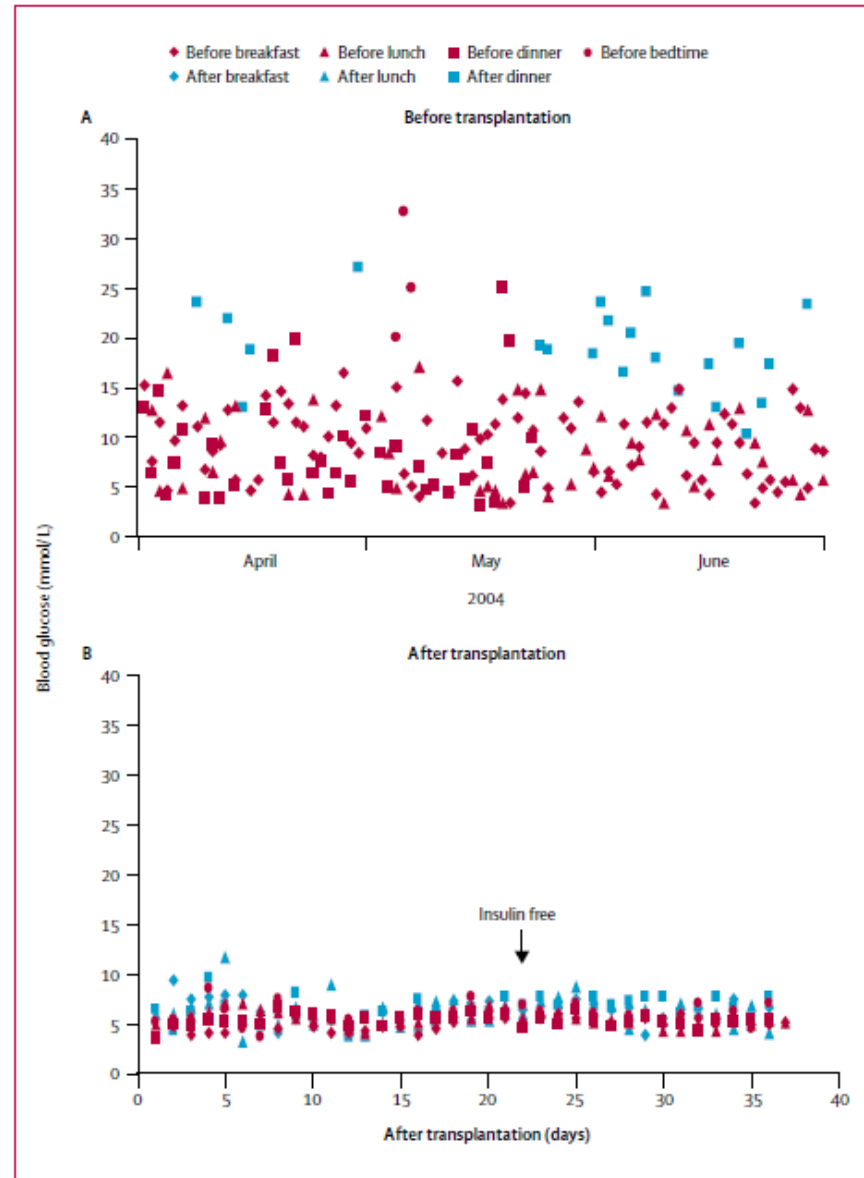


Figure 1: Daily blood glucose before and after islet transplantation

# Improving success rate of islet isolation

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## Seven Consecutive Successful Clinical Islet Isolations With Pancreatic Ductal Injection

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Group	Success Isolation	Success Transplant
Ductal Preservation	7/7 (100%)	6/7 (86 %)
Standard	3/8 (37.5%)	2/8 (25 %)
<i>P</i> value	<0.03	<0.05



# Single donor islet transplantation

**Table 3.** Single-donor islet protocols

Center	Approach	Year	Reference
Minnesota	Anti-CD3 + etanercept	2005	Hering <i>et al.</i> [35]
Pennsylvania	Edmonton-like	2003	Markmann <i>et al.</i> [254]
Emory	Efalizumab + MMF	2010	Turgeon <i>et al.</i> [209]
San Francisco	ATG + efalizumab + SRL or MMF	2010	Posselt <i>et al.</i> [255]
San Francisco	ATG + belatacept + SRL or MMF	2010	Posselt <i>et al.</i> [38]
Edmonton	Peritransplant insulin + heparin	2010	Koh <i>et al.</i> [99]
Kyoto	Living donor islet transplant	2005	Matsumoto <i>et al.</i> [220]
Baylor	ATG + anakinra + etanercept	2011	Matsumoto <i>et al.</i> [256]
Vancouver	Exenatide	2007	Ghofaili <i>et al.</i> [189]
Miami	Exenatide	2009	Faradji <i>et al.</i> [184]
UIC	Exenatide	2008	Gangemi <i>et al.</i> [190]

**Legend:** ATG – antithymocyte globulin, MMF – mycophenolate mofetil, SRL – sirolimus, UIC – University of Illinois at Chicago.

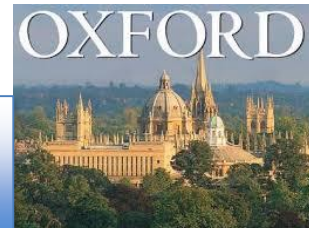
# Rationale for pig islets

## Availability of Plenty, Potent, Safe Islets

- Unlimited and on-demand supply
- Consistently high quality of islets from healthy pigs
- Designated pathogen-free pigs are safer islet donors than deceased human donors

## Possibility of Less Immunosuppression

- Pig islets could be less susceptible to autoreactive, MHC-restricted CD8 Tm cells
- Genetic modification of source pigs presents real opportunities for minimizing recipient immunosuppress.



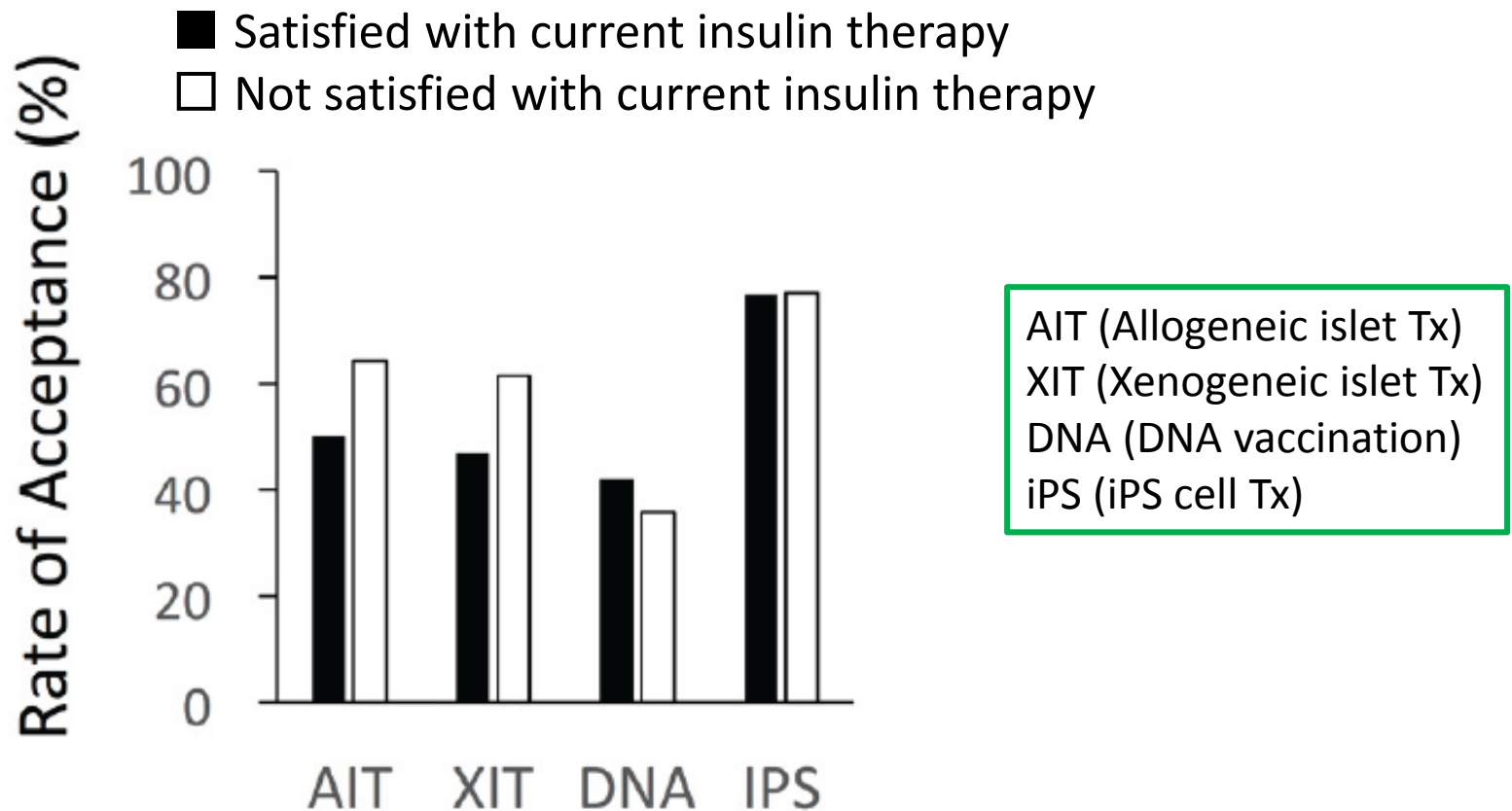
# Patients' acceptance of porcine islet xenotransplant

## Questionnaire Survey of Patients with Type-1 Diabetes Mellitus and their Family Members on the Acceptance of Newly Emerging Therapies

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Islet Cell Transplantation Project, Diabetes Research Center, Research Institute of National Center for Global Health and Medicine, Tokyo, Japan

*(J Diabetes Metab in press)*





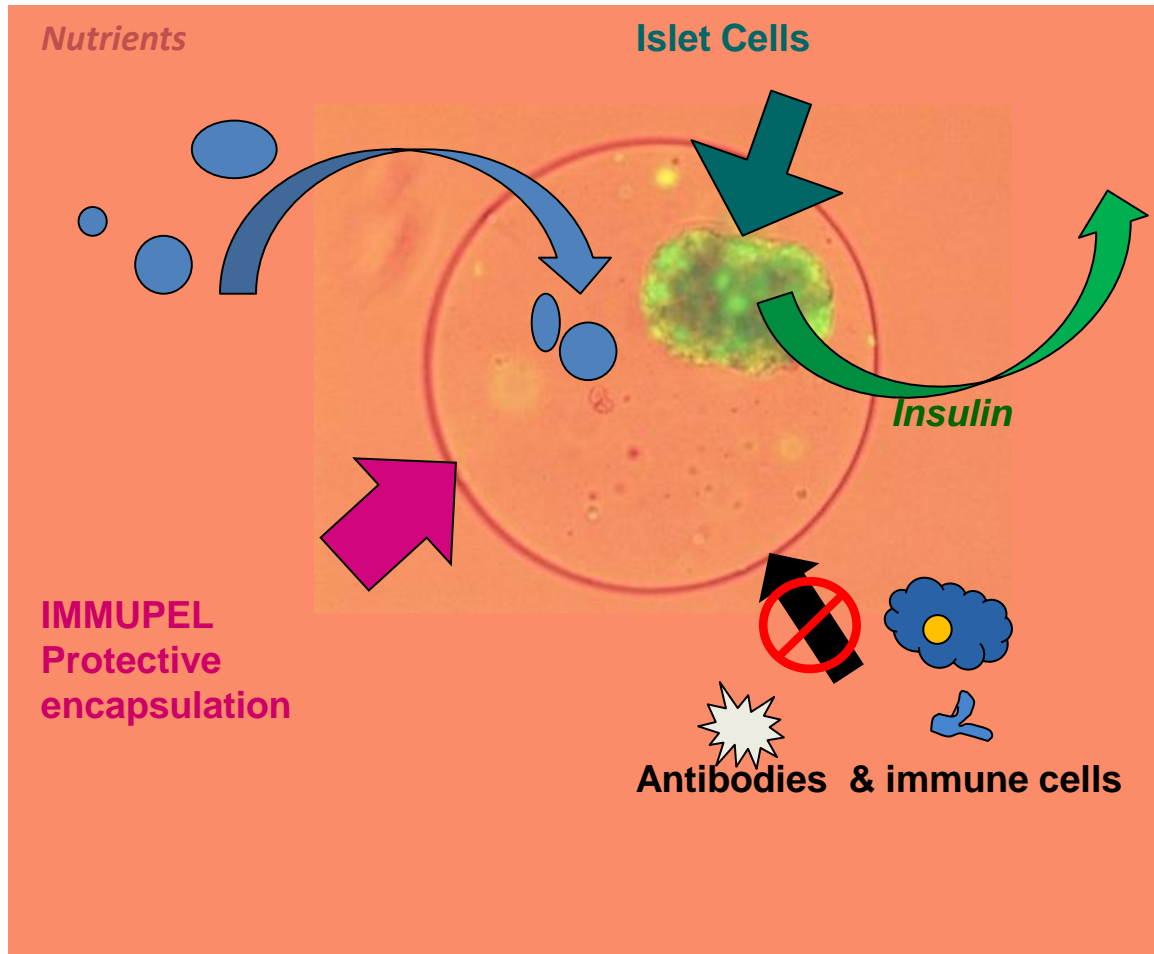
## Remaining issues of islet transplantation

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2. Necessity of immunosuppressant

## Encapsulated Porcine Islet Xenotransplantation

# DIABECELL<sup>®</sup>

## Islet Cell Implant Without Immunosuppression



## Clinical Porcine Islet Xenotransplantation Under Comprehensive Regulation

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(Transplant Proc. 2014)

### Patient Characteristics in Each group (mean $\pm$ SE)

	N	Transplanted Islet Yield (IEQ)	Age (Y)	BMI (Kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	Duration of T1DM (Y)
1 (5K)	4	5,057 $\pm$ 84	51.0 $\pm$ 6.0	24.4 $\pm$ 2.7	18.8 $\pm$ 3.1
2 (10K)	4	10,416 $\pm$ 613	50.8 $\pm$ 4.1	23.2 $\pm$ 1.4	24.0 $\pm$ 4.8
3 (15K)	4	14,456 $\pm$ 334	53.3 $\pm$ 3.7	26.2 $\pm$ 1.3	17.5 $\pm$ 4.1
4 (20K)	2	19,822 $\pm$ 716	59.0 $\pm$ 4.1	28.7 $\pm$ 1.0	28.5 $\pm$ 2.0

# Serious Adverse Events

## 4 Serious Adverse Events

- ★ Post procedural discomfort
  - ★ Anxiety
  - ★ Depressed mood
  - ★ Hypersensitivity reaction
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- ☆ No PERV or Porcine related infection

# Number with unaware hypoglycemia at baseline (-4 to -1 week) and at 1 year (49-52 week)

Group	Baseline	1 year after Tx
1 (5K) (N=4)	11.5 ± 4.2	4.8 ± 1.5
2 (10K) (N=4)	13.0 ± 4.4	2.8 ± 2.1
3 (15K) (N=4)	9.8 ± 7.5	9.0 ± 4.0
4 (20K) (N=4)	24.5 ± 8.5	14.0 ± 8.0



# HbA1c and daily insulin dose at baseline and at 1 year after transplantation

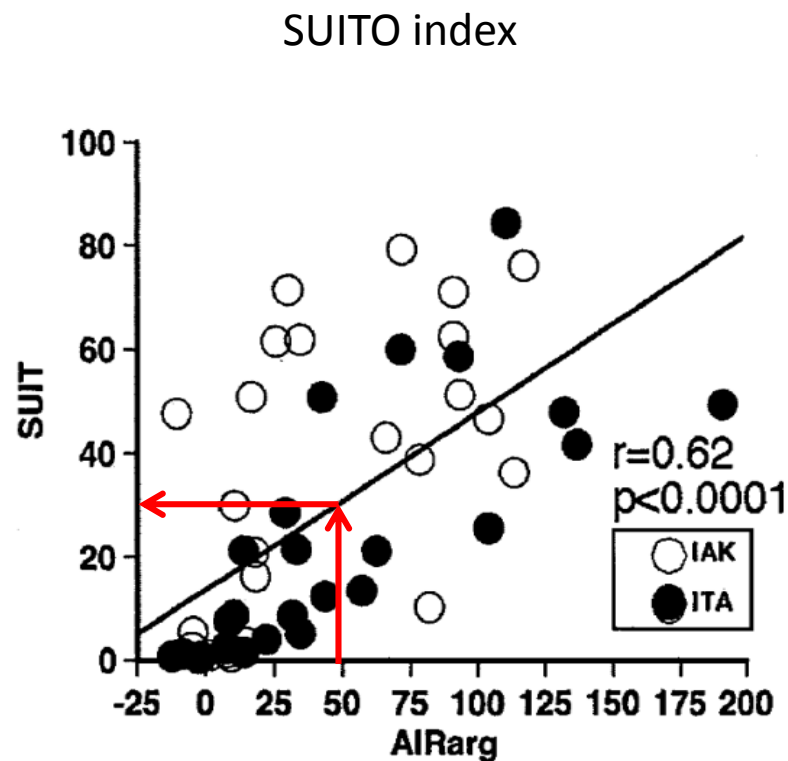
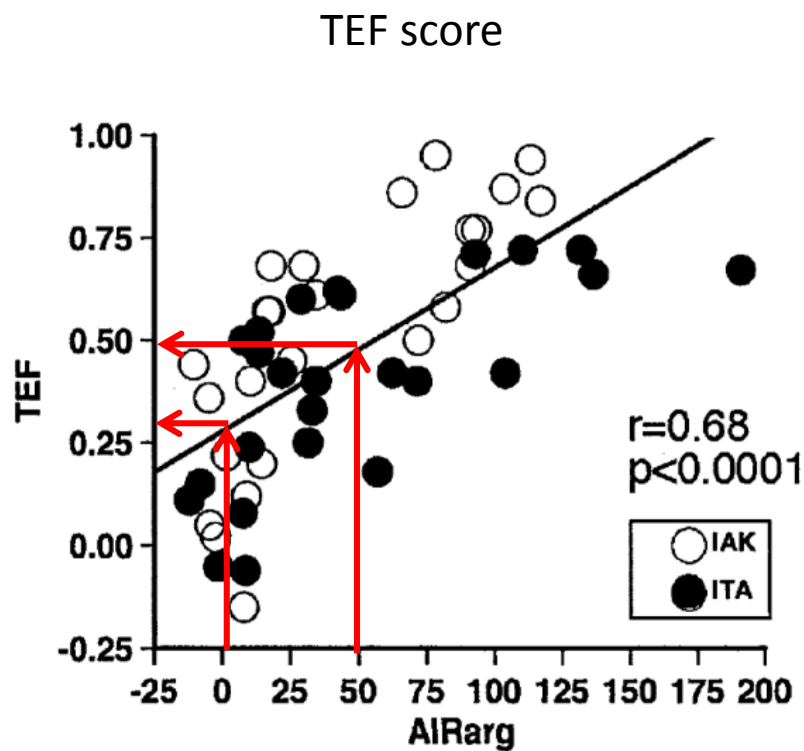
Group	HbA1c (%)		Daily insulin dose (U)	
	Baseline	1 year after Tx	Baseline	1 year after Tx
1	7.38 ± 0.43	7.35 ± 0.51	49.5 ± 37.4	37.4 ± 6.2
2	7.65 ± 0.21	7.63 ± 0.22	31.1 ± 5.2	29.5 ± 3.4
3	7.53 ± 0.28	7.80 ± 0.37	41.8 ± 7.0	37.9 ± 4.1
4	7.30 ± 0.16	6.6	56.6 ± 1.9	59.9 ± 4.5

## Transplant Estimated Function (TEF)

TEF score can be calculated with daily insulin dose/kg and HbA1c

$$\text{TEF} = \left[ \text{DIR}_{\text{pre-tx}} + \frac{\text{A1C}_{\text{pre-tx}}}{5.43} \right] - \left[ \text{DIR} + \frac{\text{A1C}}{5.43} \right]$$

# Correlation between Acute Insulin Response and TEF score and SUIITO index



TEF = 0.3 is minimum for positive C-peptide level  
TEF = 0.5 is similar to SUIITO = 30 (reflects insulin free)

# TEF score at 1 year after transplantation

Group	1 year after Tx
1 (5K) (N=4)	0.17 ± 0.15*
2 (10K) (N=4)	0.02 ± 0.03
3 (15K) (N=4)	-0.01 ± 0.05
4 (20K) (N=4)	0.08

\* 1 patient showed TEF = 0.58

# Lessons from NZ trial

- ☆ Safe procedure
- ☆ No infectious issue so far
- ★ Efficacy is not stable
- High doses are not more effective than low dose

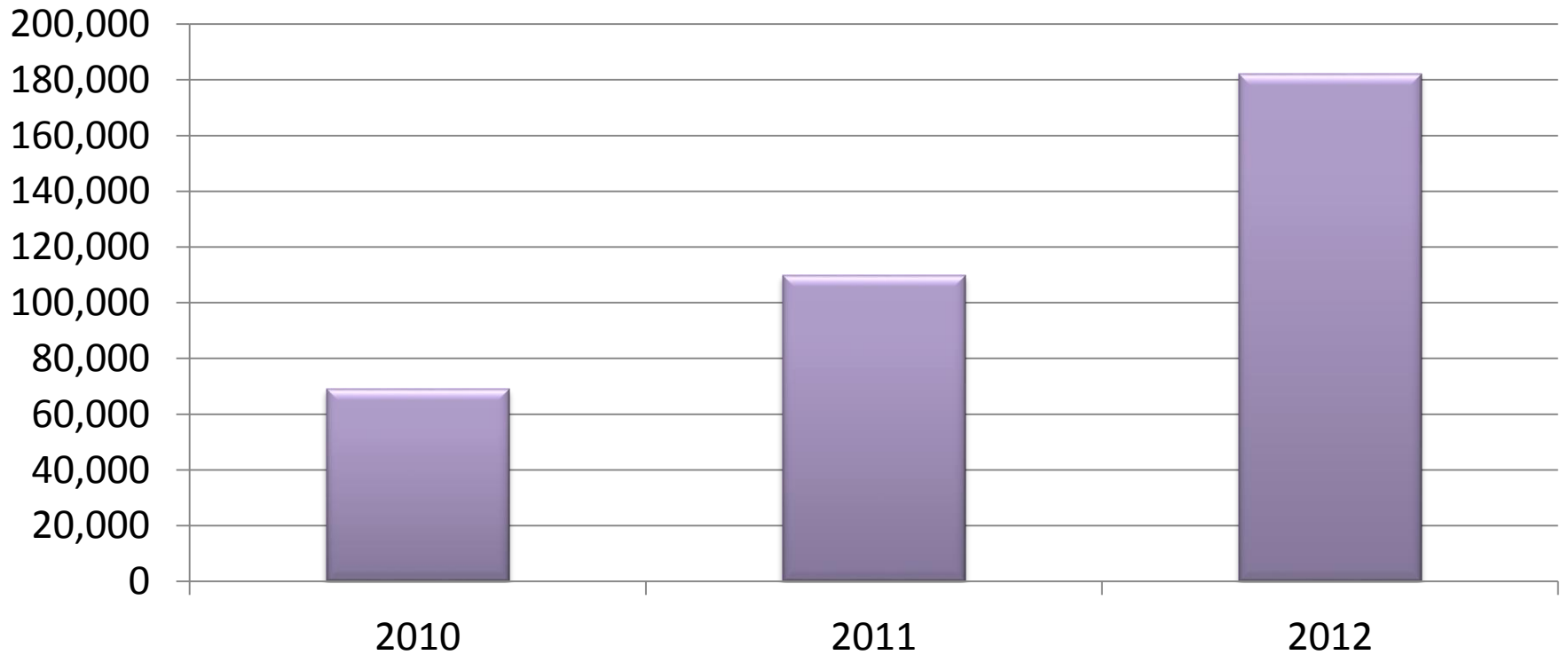
For the next trial

- Improved quality of islets
- Low dose x 2



# Average Islet Yield per one piglet with islet isolation improvement

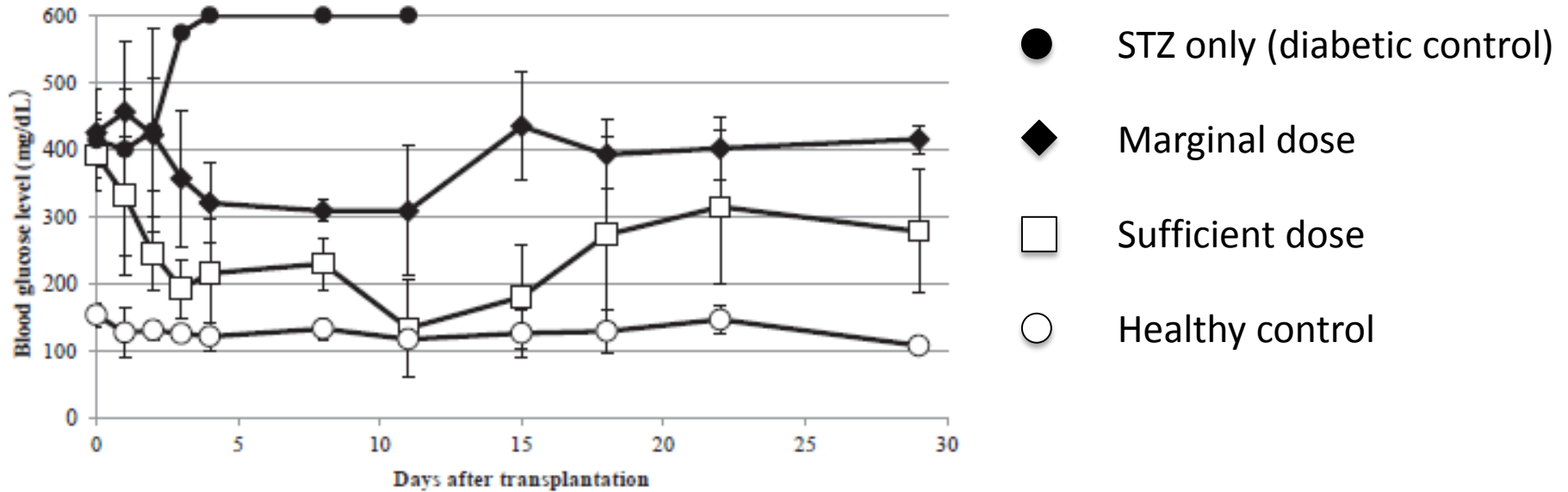
Yield (IEQ/pancreas)



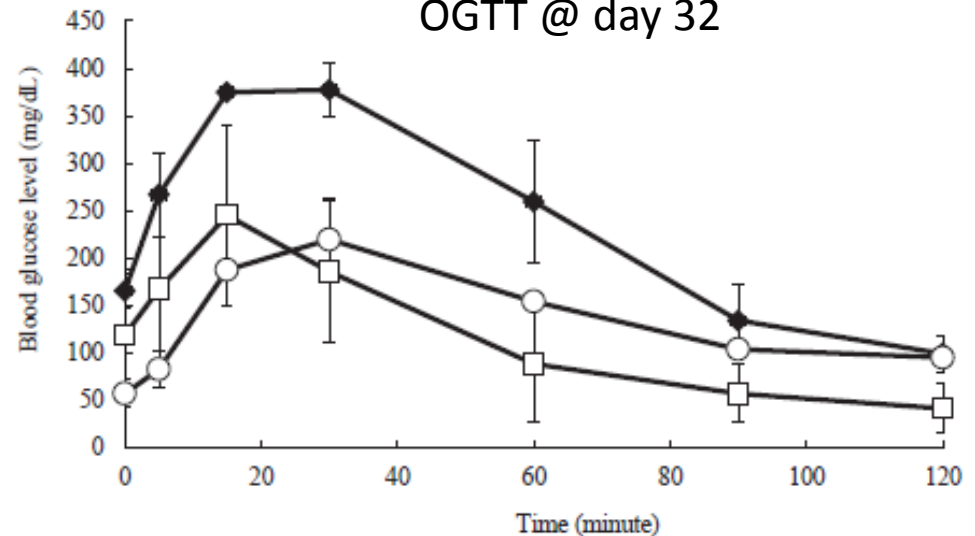
(Matsumoto S, et al. IPITA 2013)

# In vivo viability assay using diabetic mice for encapsulated neonatal porcine islets

## Daily non-fasting blood glucose



## OGTT @ day 32



Interim Analysis:  
Data still under analysis

## Argentine Trial DIA09

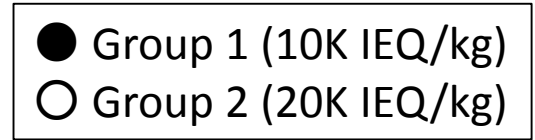
5000IEQ/kg x 2 (N=4)

10000IEQ/kg x 2 (N=4)

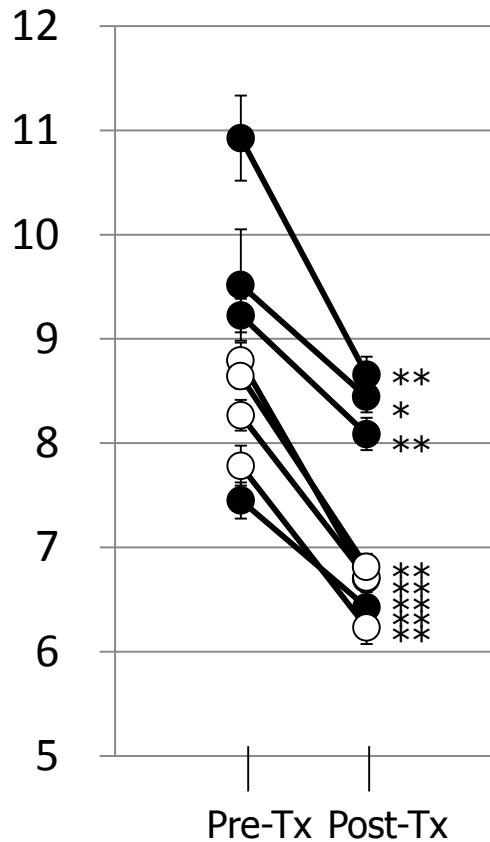
# Patients Characteristics

Group	N	Age (y) (mean $\pm$ SE)	Duration of T1DM (y) (mean $\pm$ SE)	BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> ) (mean $\pm$ SE)	IEQ/kg (1st) (mean $\pm$ SE)	IEQ/kg (2nd) (mean $\pm$ SE)
1	4	30 $\pm$ 5	9 $\pm$ 2	21 $\pm$ 1	5,200 $\pm$ 108	5,073 $\pm$ 138
2	4	44 $\pm$ 7	19 $\pm$ 4	27 $\pm$ 2	9,034 $\pm$ 150	10,064 $\pm$ 109

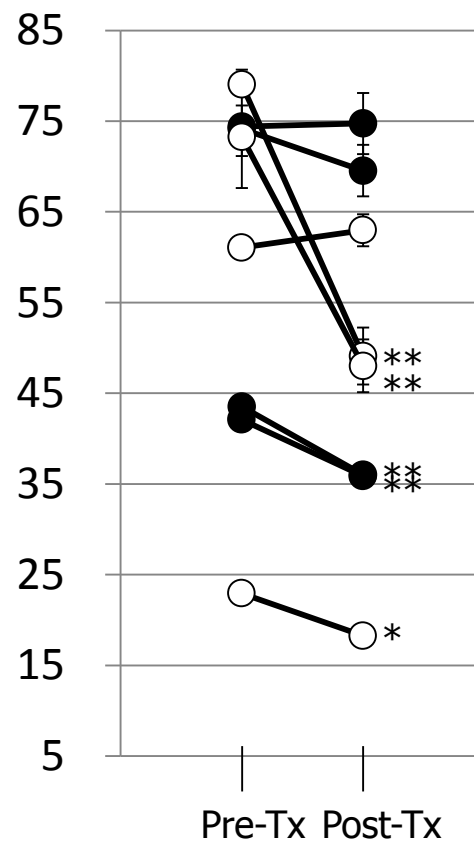
# Individual averages of pre- and post-transplant HbA1c, insulin dose and TEF score



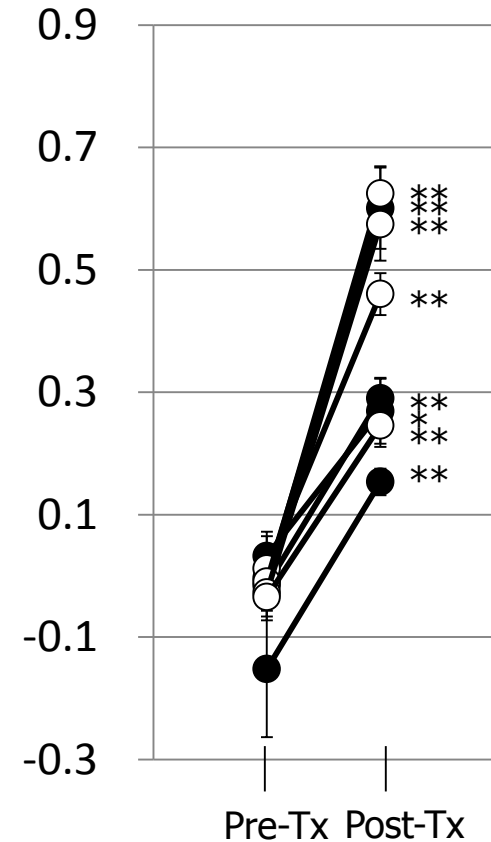
### A. HbA1c (%)



### B. Insulin (Unit)



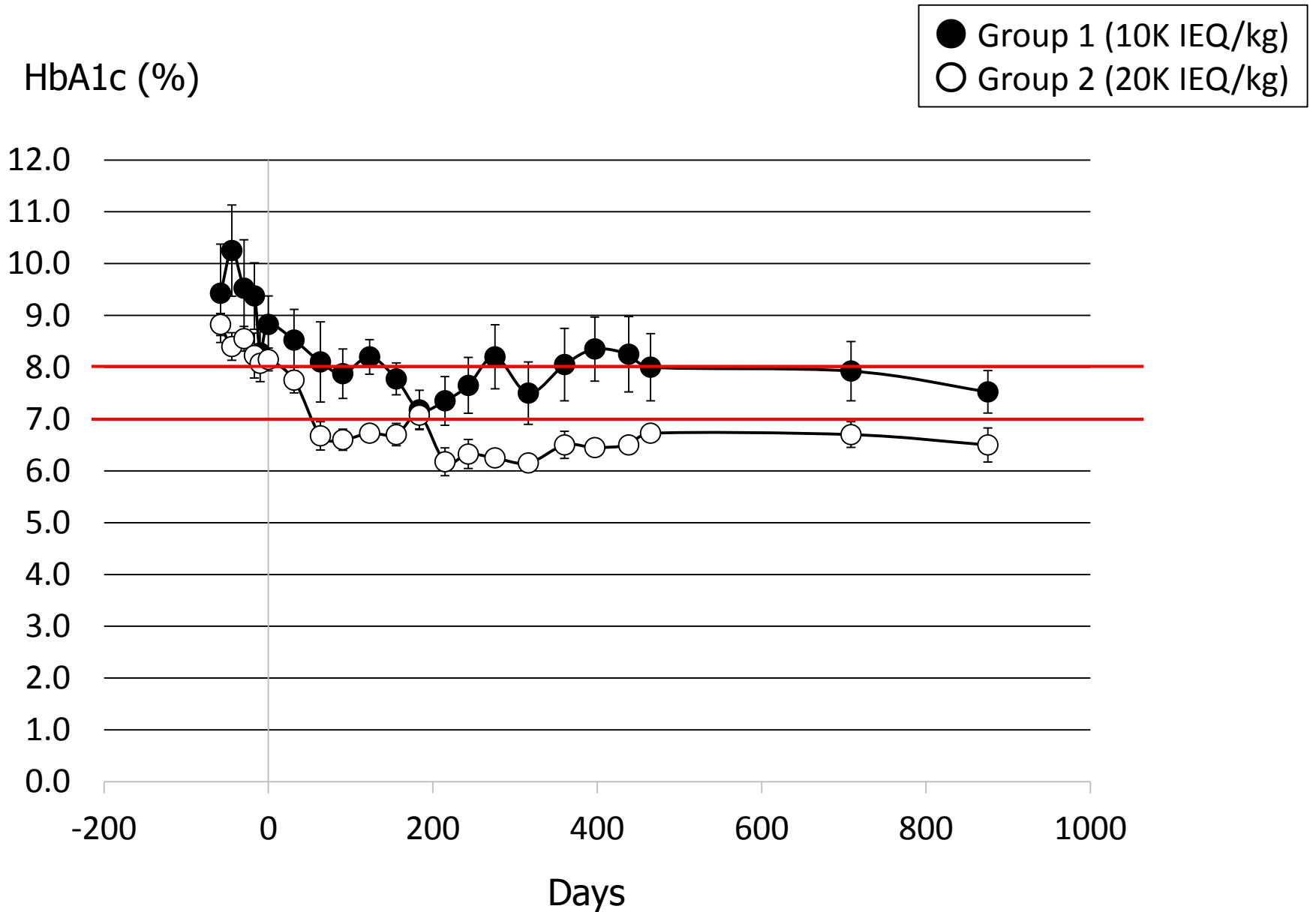
### C. TEF score



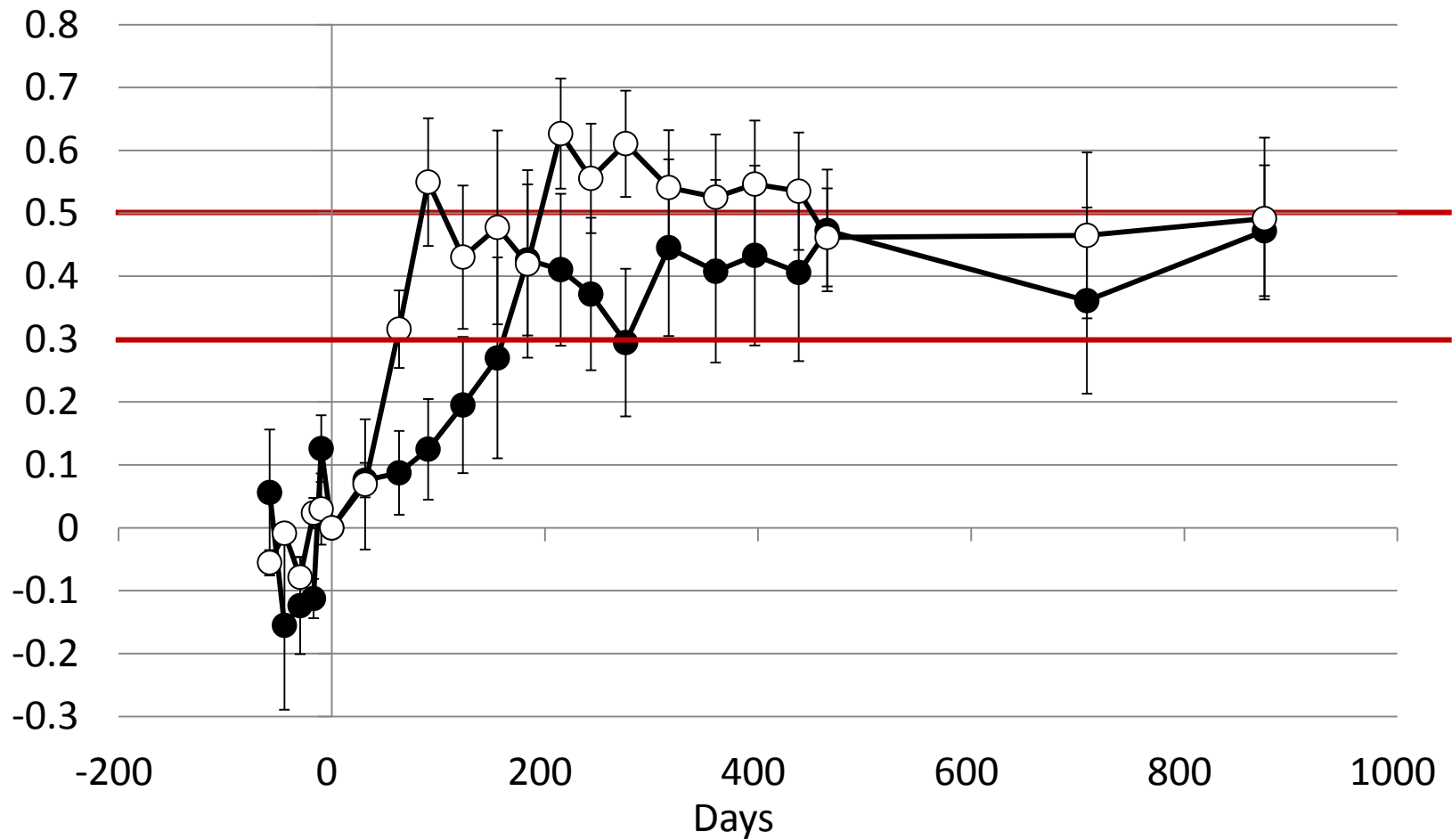
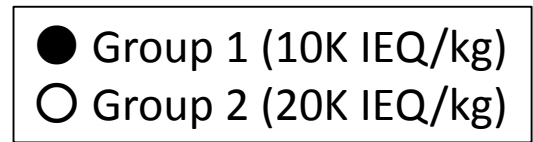
\*P<0.05, \*\*P<0.01



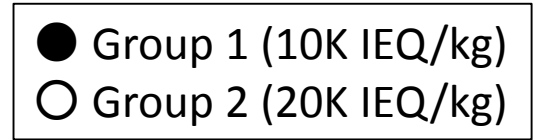
# Time course of average HbA1c after Transplantation



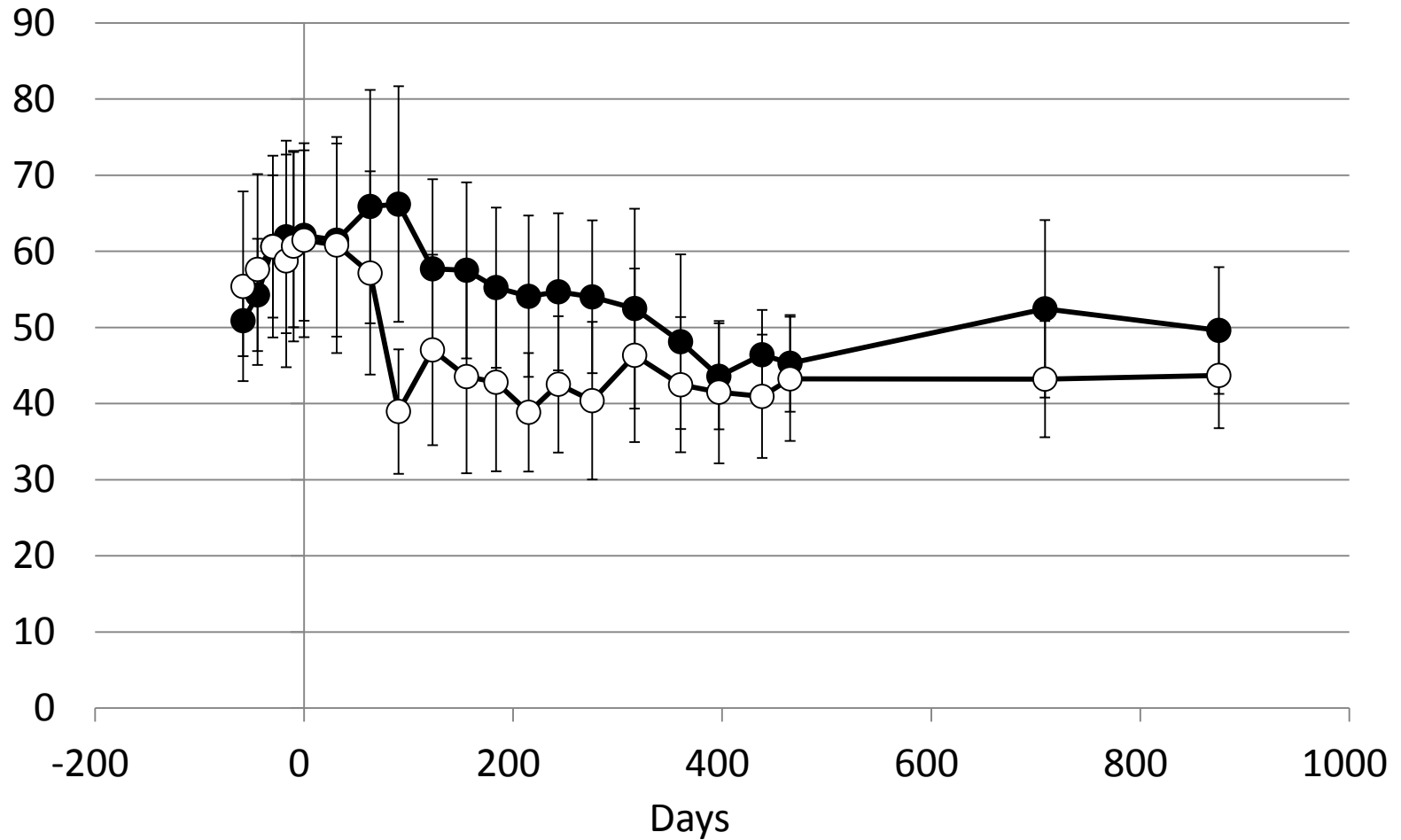
# Time course of TEF score after transplantation



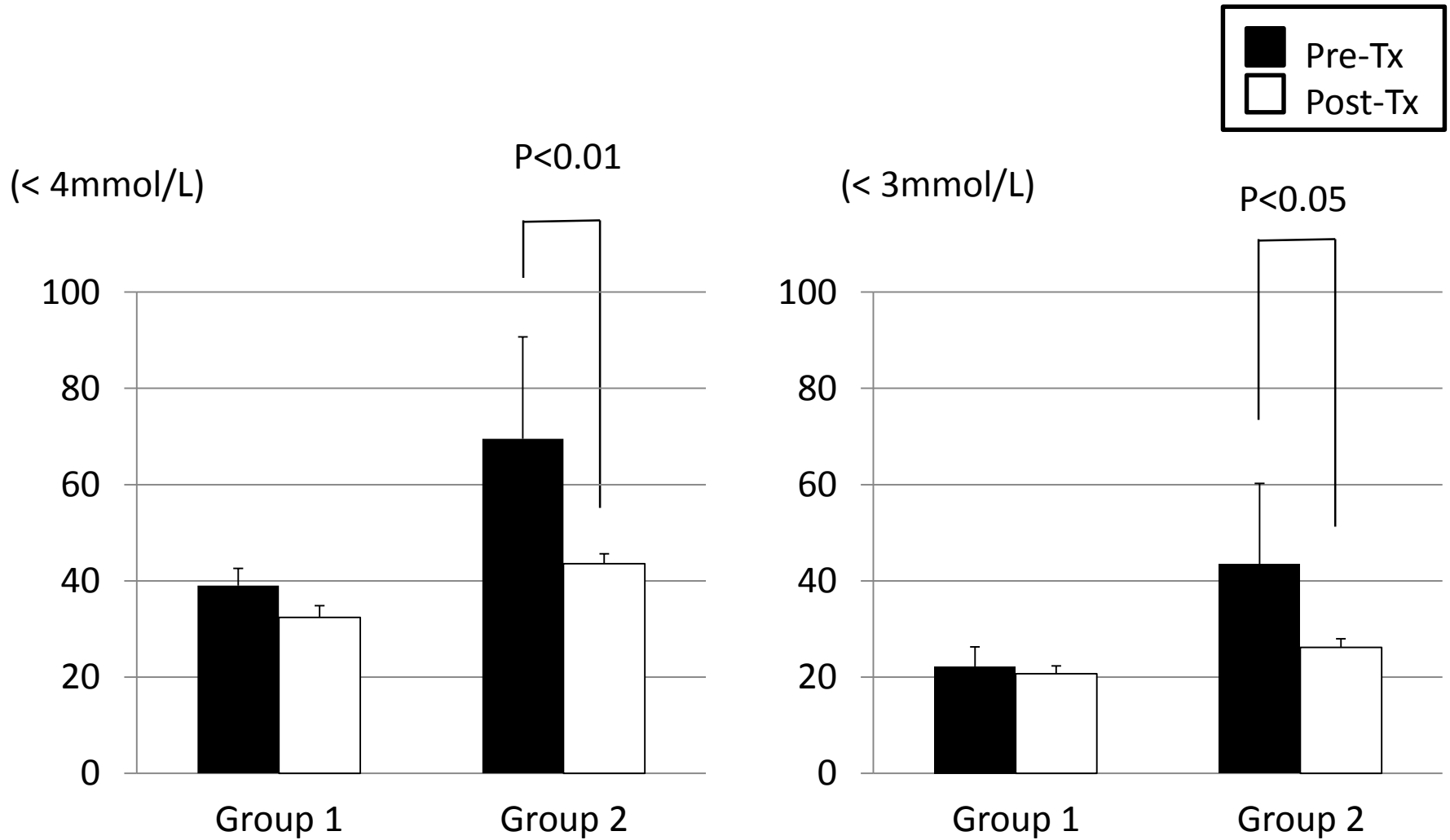
# Time course of daily insulin dose after transplantation



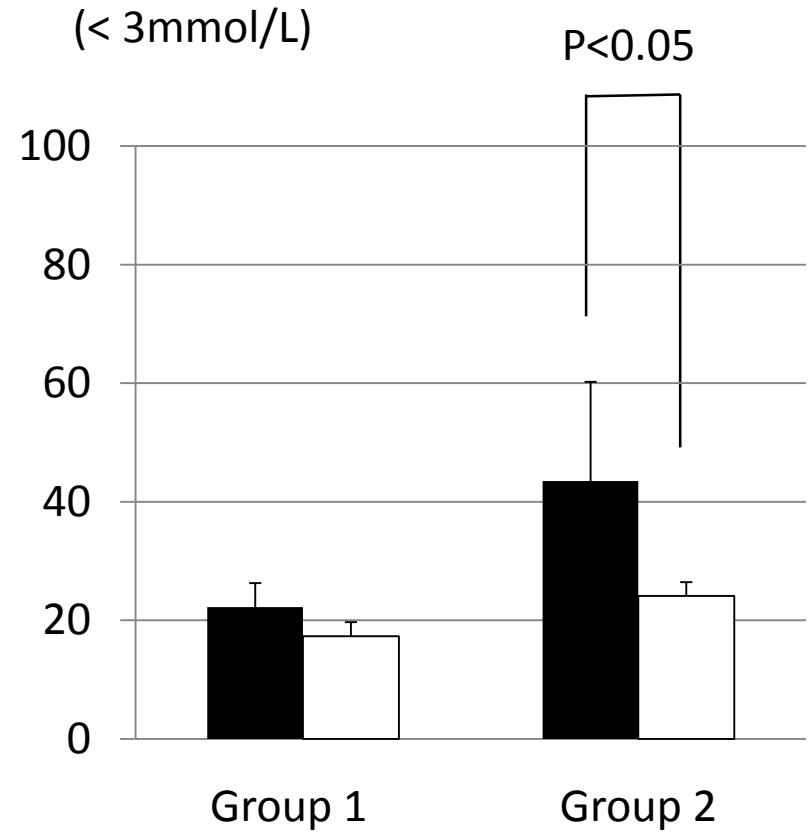
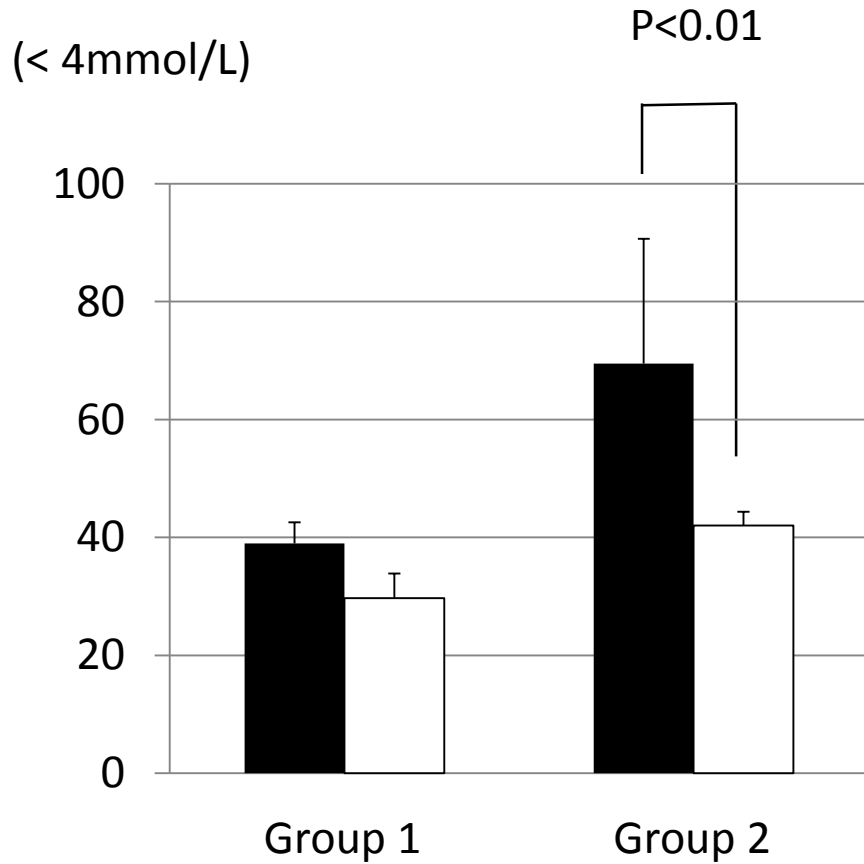
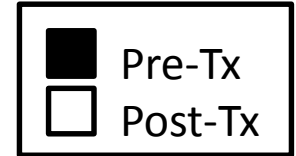
Insulin dose (Unit)



# Number of unaware hypoglycemia for 4 weeks

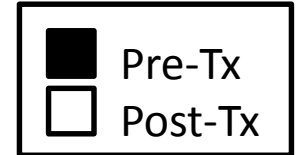


# Number of unaware hypoglycemia for 4 weeks (Long-term >300 days)

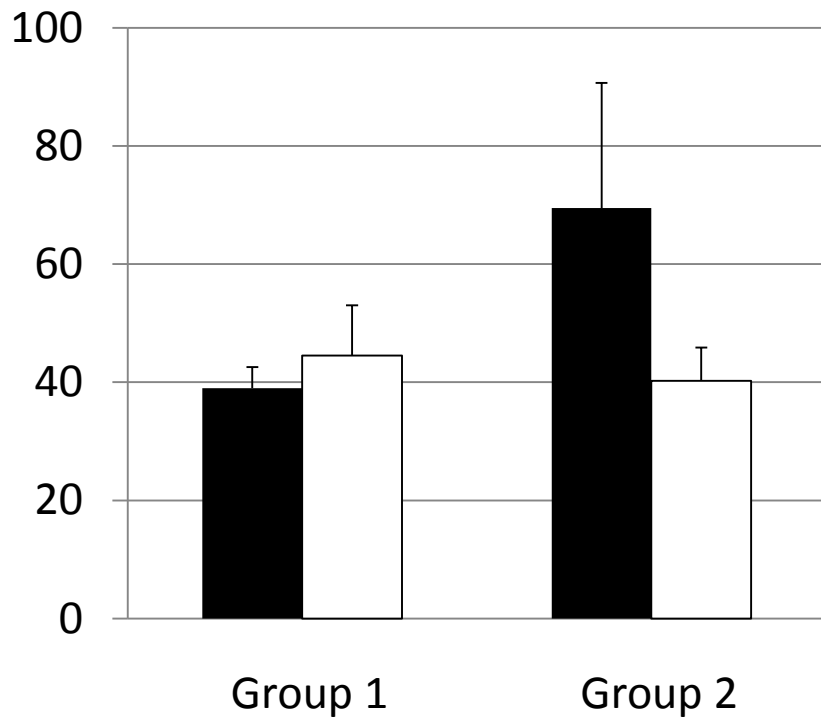




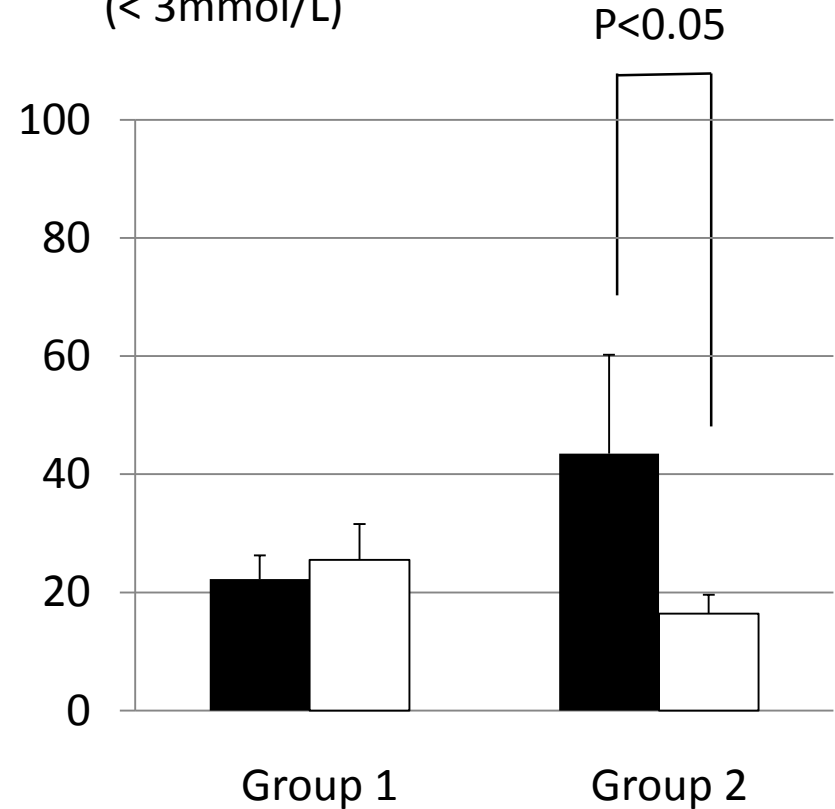
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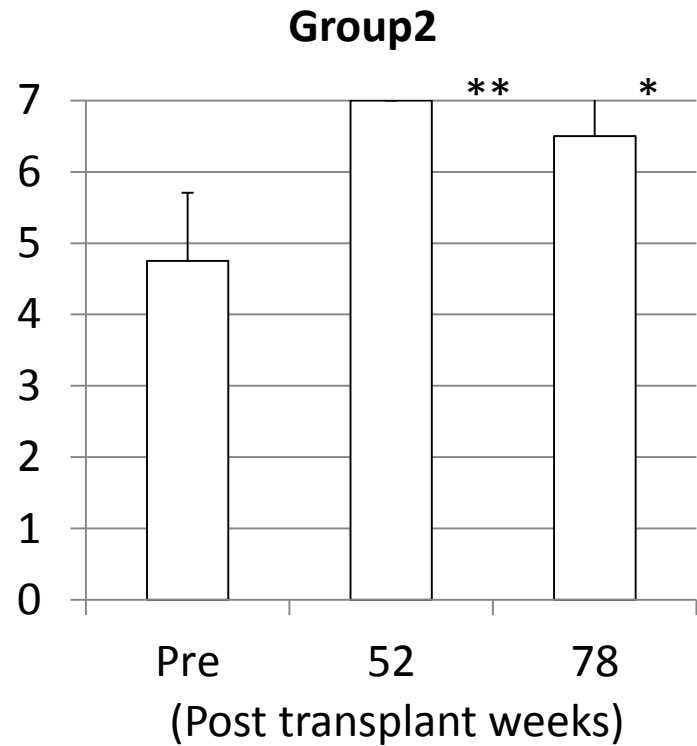
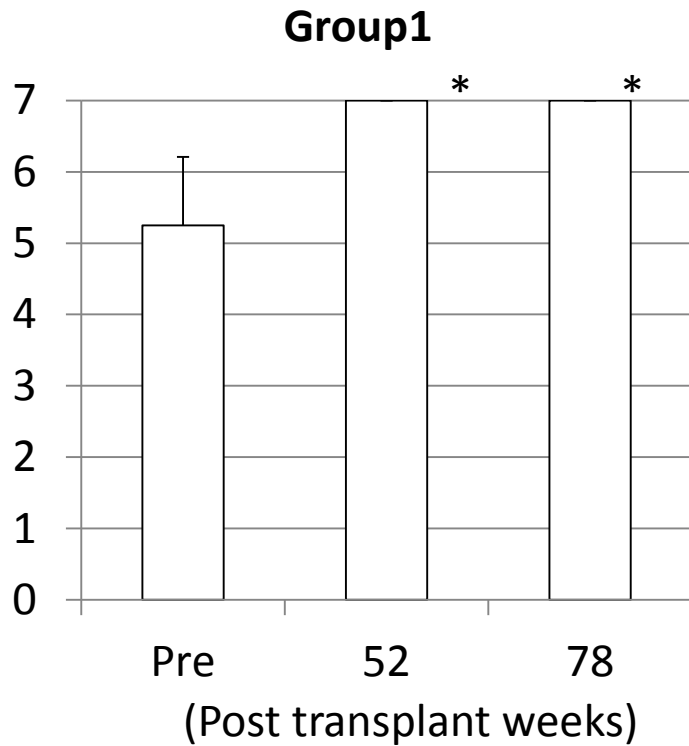
(< 4mmol/L)



(< 3mmol/L)



# Patients' treatment satisfaction



(Full satisfaction: 7, No satisfaction:1)

\*P<0.05, \*\*P<0.01 compared with Pre-transplantation

# Summary

## Group 2 (10KIEQ/kg x 2) demonstrated

1. HbA1c less than 7% have been maintained for more than two years with significant reduction of unaware hypoglycemia and no severe hypoglycemia
2. TEF reached the level of insulin independence but actual insulin dose remained high
3. Patients showed high satisfaction with the encapsulated porcine islet transplantation

# Future direction of porcine islet xenotransplantation

## Target for research

1. Pig source
2. Encapsulation
3. Implant sites
4. Anti-inflammatory drug
5. Anti-rejection drug

# Pig Sources

	Fetus, Neonatal	Young	Young adult, Adult	Genetically modified pigs
Age	E-5 days	14-22 days	3M->2 years	Fetus-Adult
Islet isolation	Stable	Stable	Difficult	Depends on age
Immediate function	No	Yes	Yes	Depends on age
Islet yield (IEQ)	8,000-25,000	30,000 (180,000)	80,000- 500,000	Depends on age
Clinical experience	Yes	Yes	No	No

# Encapsulation

1. Material: Alginate-Ba, Alginate-PLO, Alginate-PLL, Agarose
2. Size: 1.5mm capsule, conformal capsule
3. New Polymers: Ply (2-3)-D-glucopyranoses

## Implant sites of encapsulated islet

	<b>Access to blood</b>	<b>Stable distribution</b>	<b>Avoidance of aggregation</b>	<b>Ease of retrieve</b>
<b>Peritoneal cavity</b>	No	No	No	No
<b>Renal subcapsule</b>	Yes	Yes	No	No
<b>Subcutaneous</b>	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Pre-vascularized subcutaneous</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Omentum pouch</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Portal vein</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

# Co-administered drugs

1. Anti-inflammatory for foreign body reaction
2. Immunosuppressant for indirect pathway



# Conclusions

1. Encapsulated neonatal porcine islet transplantation can be performed safely
2. Efficacy was improved by high quality of islets but further improvement is needed
3. Pig source, capsules, implant sites, and anti-inflammatory and/or immunosuppressive drugs are next target to improve the efficacy