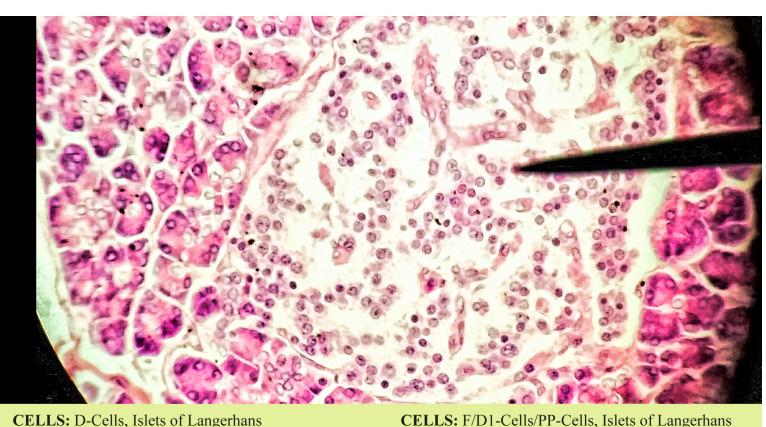
# PANCREAS

**Thyroid-Adrenal-Pancreas Axis** 



**CELLS:** Alpha-Cells, Islets of Langerhans

## **SECRETION:**

Glucagon

### STIMULATED BY:

 $\Delta$  [blood glucose]. The concentration of blood glucose falls below normal range. Promoted by sympathetic nervous system.

### TARGETS:

Primarily skeletal muscles and liver.

### **EFFECTS:**

- Skeletal muscles and liver break down glycogen into glucose.
- Regulation of carbohydrate, protein, lipid metabolism. •
- Adipose tissues release fatty acids; proteins are broken down into amino acids. Catabolic.

**CELLS:** Beta-Cells, Islets of Langerhans

### **SECRETION:**

Insulin

### STIMULATED BY:

 $\Delta$  [blood glucose]. The concentration of blood glucose rises above normal range. Promoted by parasympathetic nervous system. Indirectly by growth hormone and adrenocorticotropic hormone.

### **TARGETS:**

The plasma membranes of almost all cells except: neurons and red blood cells; epithelial cells of kidney tubules; epithelial cells of intestinal lining.

### **EFFECTS:**

- Promotes glucose transport into cells and cell metabolism of glucose.
- Promotes ATP synthesis.
- Increase cellular energy reserves.
- Increase protein synthesis rates.
- Increase amino acid transport across plasma membrane.
- Stimulate fat cells to increase triglyceride synthesis/ storage.
- Promotes glycogen formation in liver/muscles.
- Promotes growth, glycogen storage, increased fat reserves.

**CELLS:** D-Cells, Islets of Langerhans

### **SECRETION:**

Somatostatin, SS-14.

### STIMULATED BY:

 $\Delta$  [blood glucose]. High blood glucose levels and amino acids. Food intake. Changes in other pancreatic hormone levels.

### **TARGETS:**

SS-14 form targets nervous system and pancreas.

• Anoretic peptide.

**SECRETION:** 

**TARGETS:** 

**EFFECTS:** 

Pancreatic polypeptide.

Mainly digestive organs.

**STIMULATED BY:** 

- Promotes satiety.
- Promotes gastric emptying.
- Promotes gall bladder contraction.
- Promotes pancreatic exocrine function.
- Decreases corticotrophin-releasing factor.

Parasympathetic vagal cholinergic innervation. Food

intake proportional to caloric consumption.

• Biomarker for ectopic fat deposition.

# **EFFECTS:**

- Inhibits secretion of other pancreatic hormones like glucagon and insulin. Paracrine.
- Inhibits secretion of other hormones.
- Suppress pancreatic exocrine secretions by inhibiting cholecystokinin-stimulated enzyme secretion and secretin-stimulated bicarbonate secretion.
- Neurotransmission.
- Neuromodulatory activity.