

The role of Nox derived Oxidative stress in diabetic complications

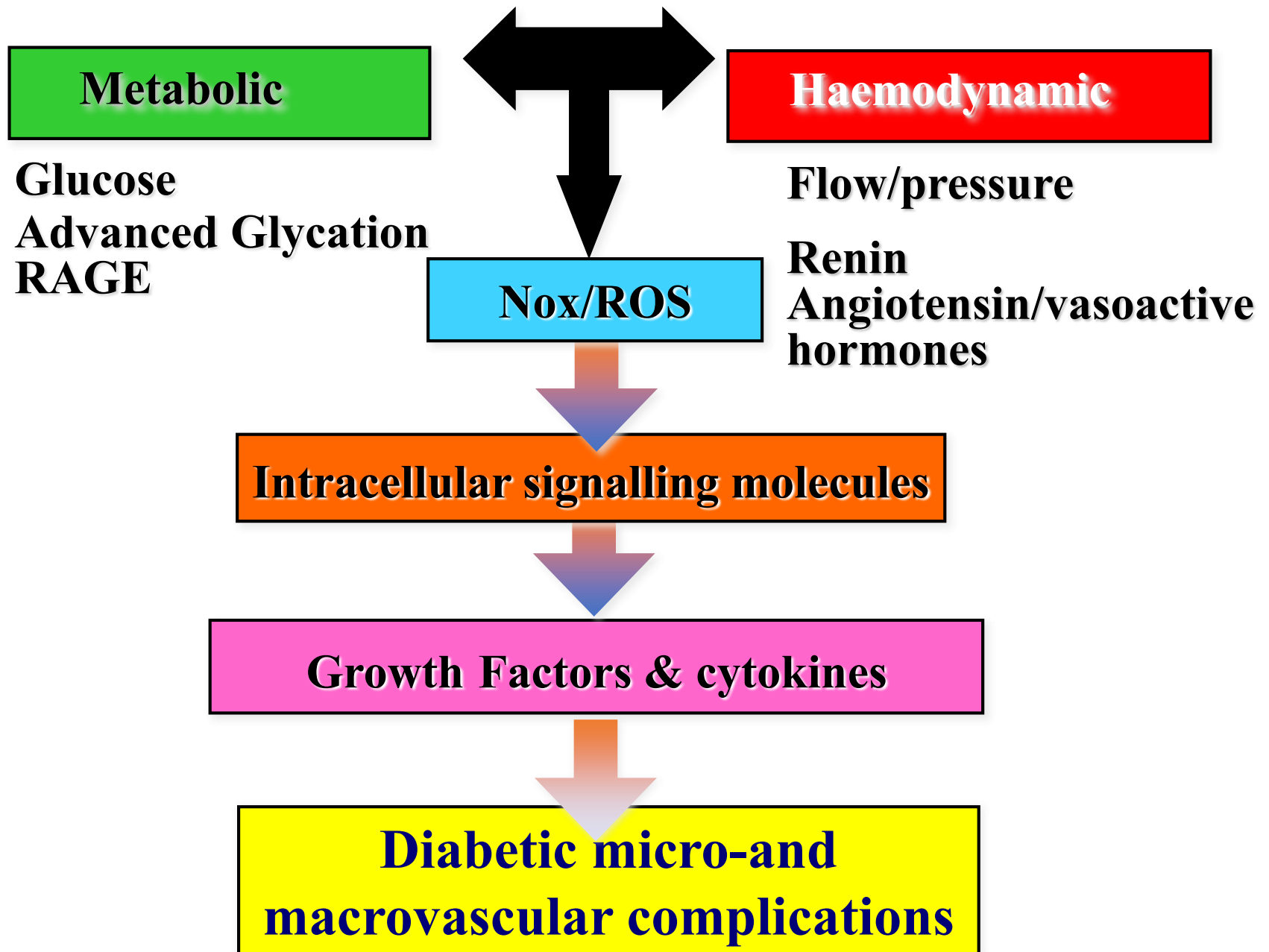
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Adapted from Cooper, Diabetologia, 44:1957, 2001

Mediators of the toxic environment of diabetes

Oxidative stress

now playing in select mitochondria

Cardiovascular Risk Factors

hypertension,
hypercholesterolaemia,
diabetes,
smoking

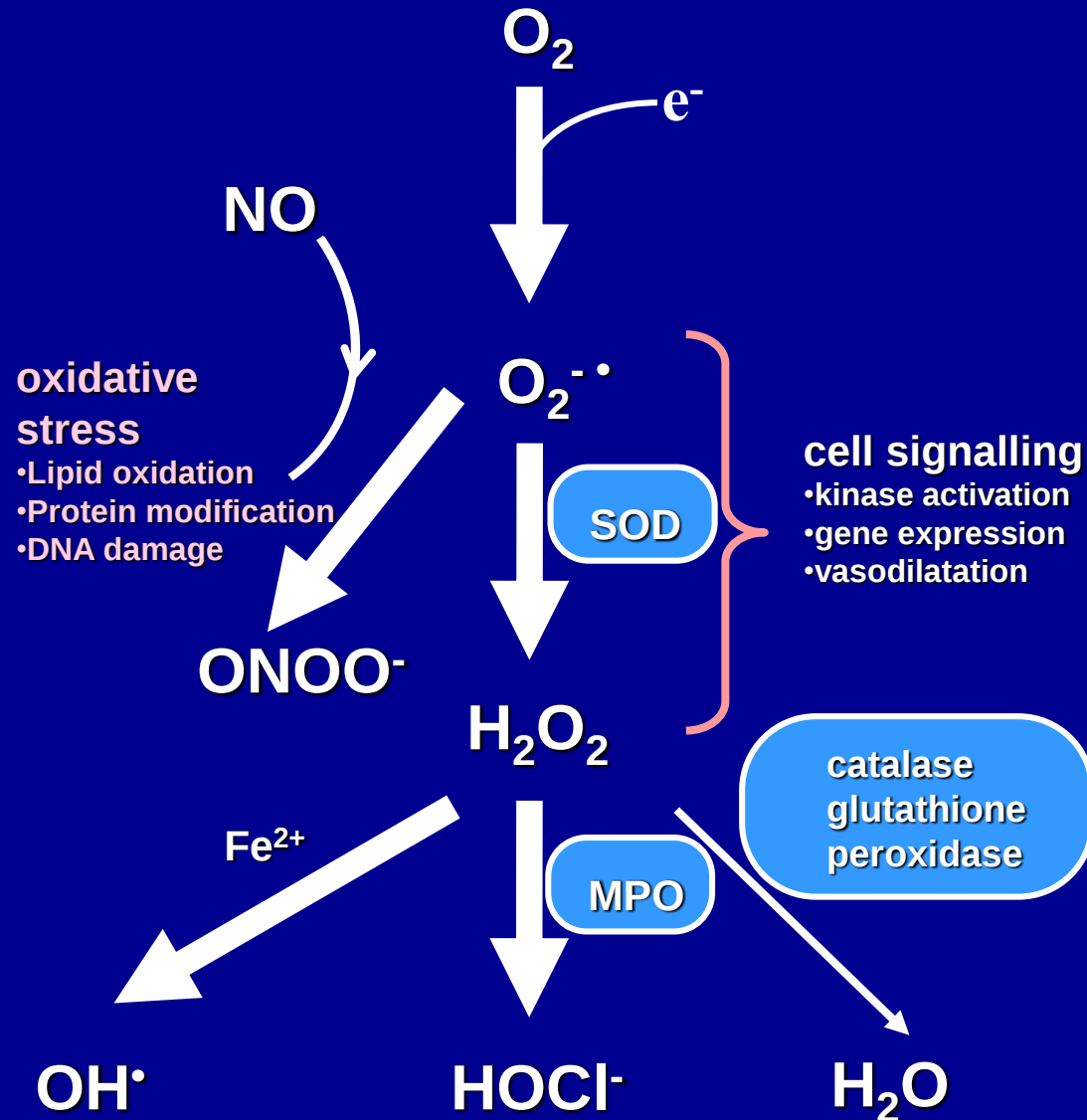


ROS

($O_2^{\cdot-}$, H_2O_2 ,
 $OH^{\cdot}$, $HOCl$)

Adapted from G Drummond

Reactive Oxygen Species



The Janus faced role of ROS



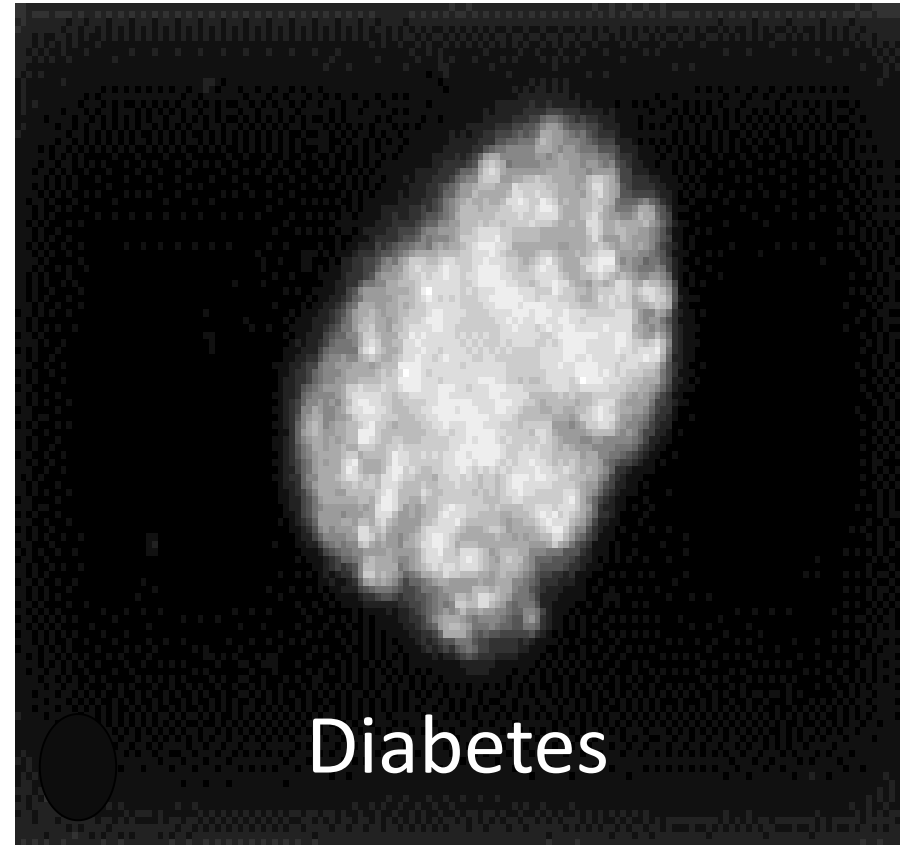
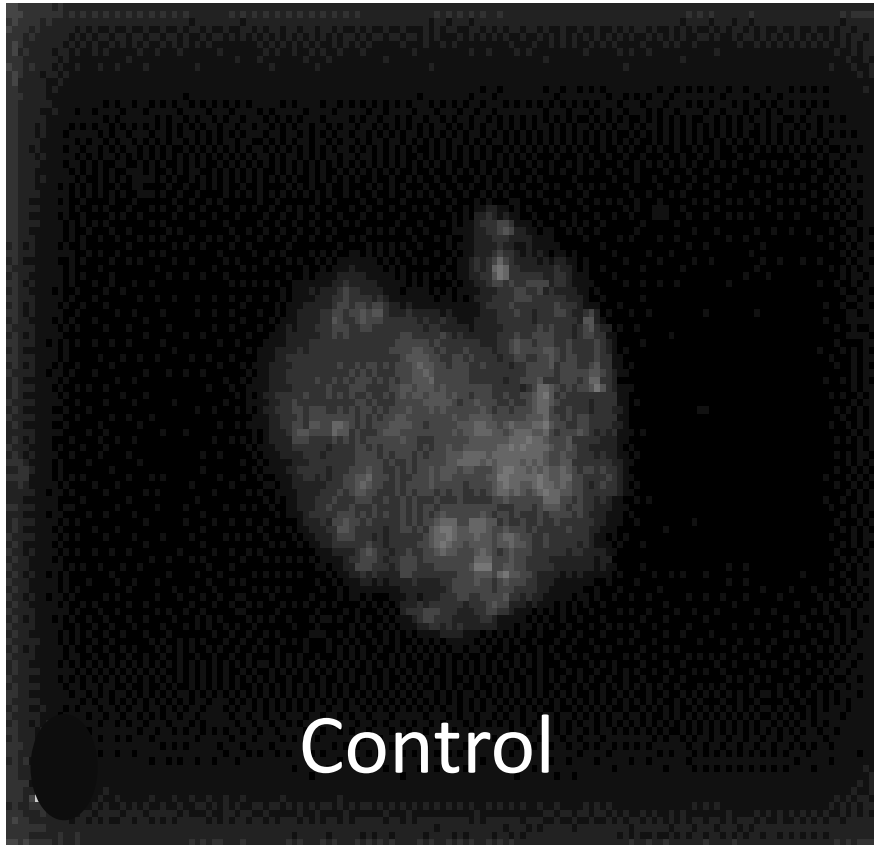
• Physiological role

- signalling molecules
- transcription factors
- activation of
 - G-protein-coupled receptors,
 - ion channels
 - kinases/phosphatases.

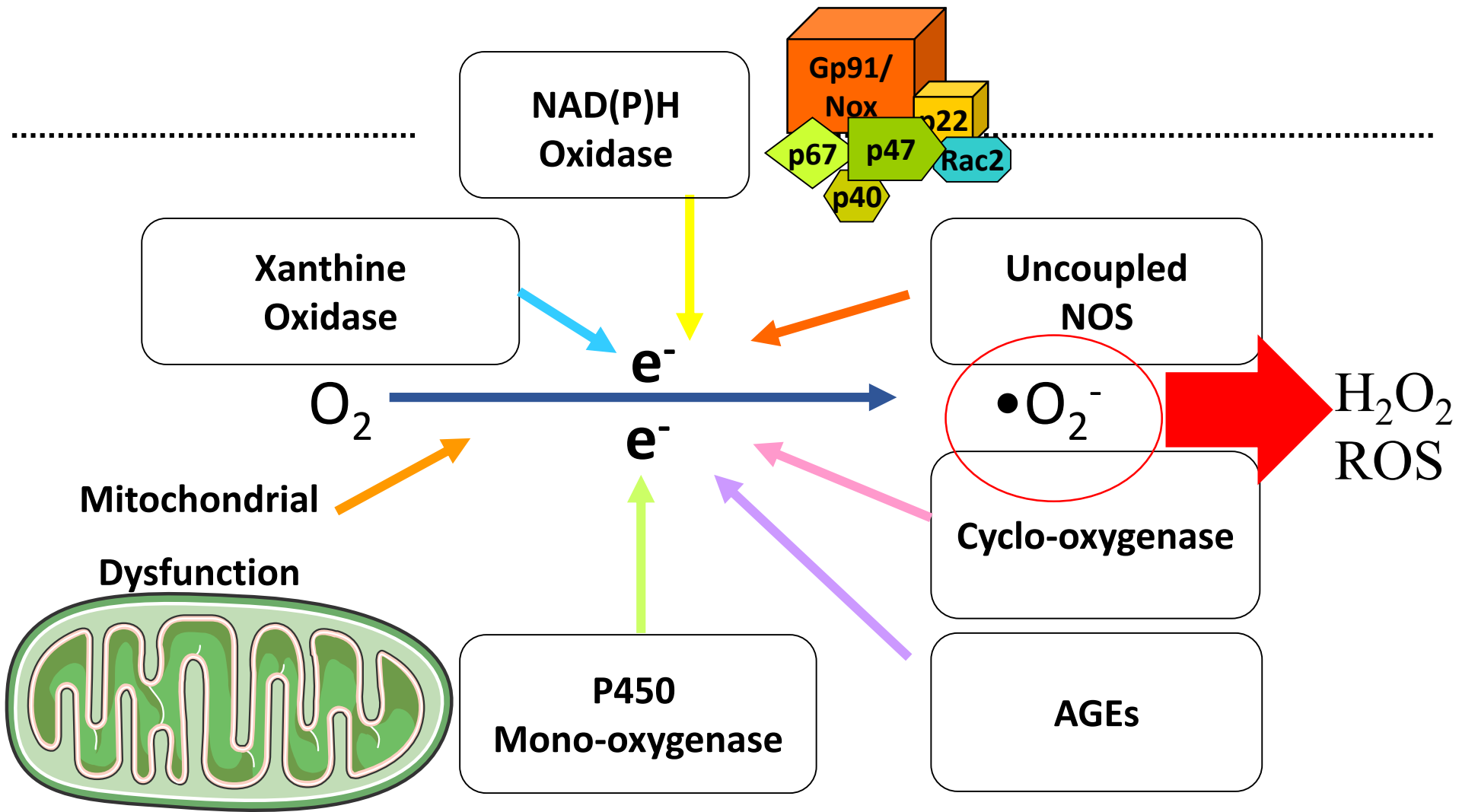
Pathological role

- Modify targets
- Cellular dysfunction
- Inflammation

Most intracellular ROS come from superoxide



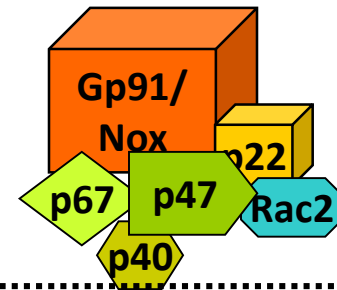
Superoxide production in diabetic glomeruli



Increased generation of superoxide in diabetes

Nox:
"professional oxidase"

NAD(P)H
Oxidase



Xanthine
Oxidase

Uncoupled
NOS

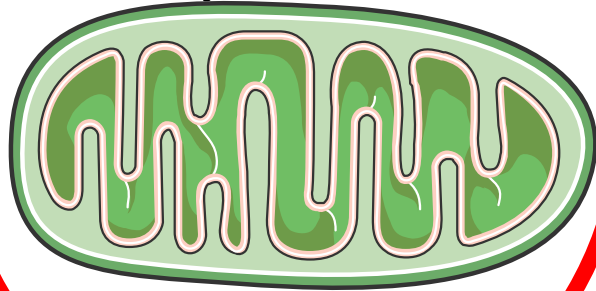
O_2

e^-

e^-

$\bullet O_2^-$

Mitochondrial
Dysfunction

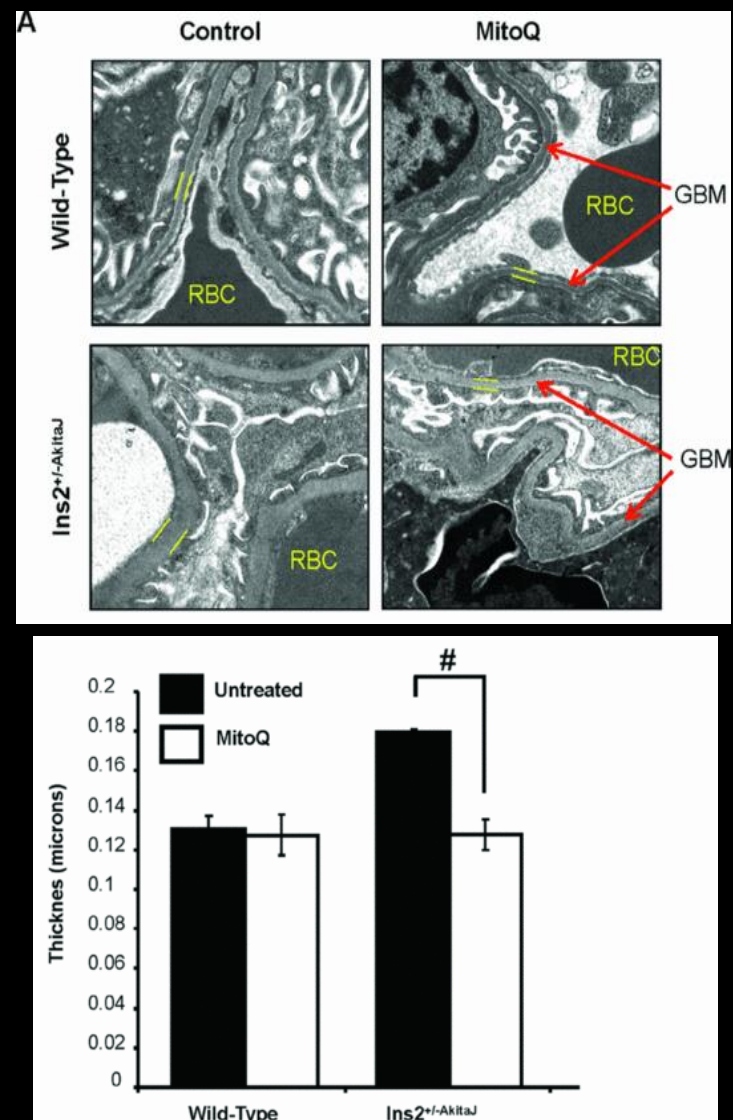
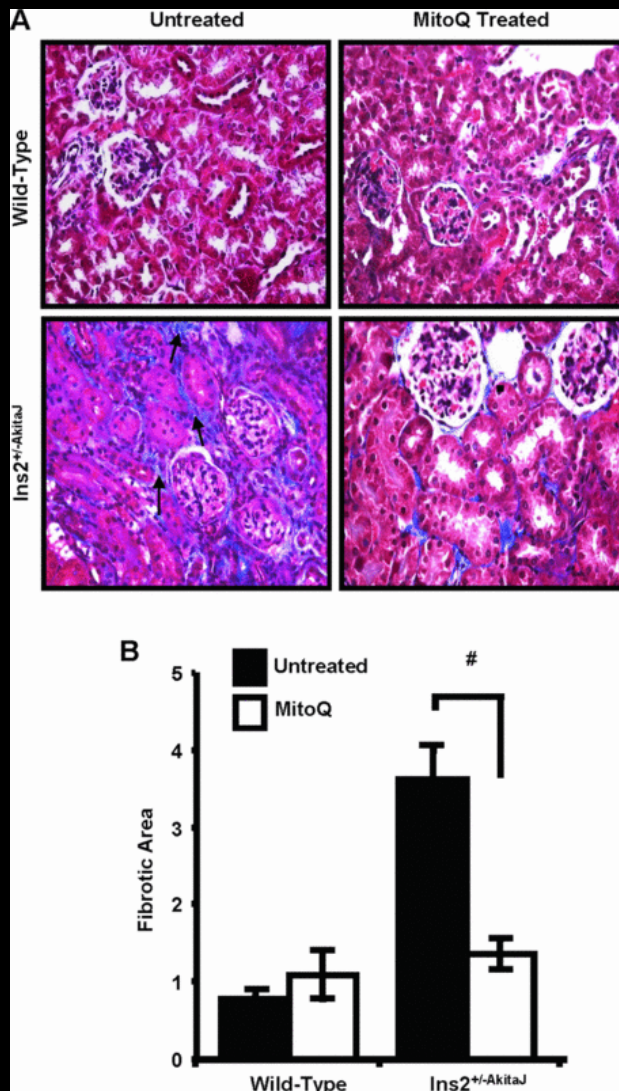


Cyclo-oxygenase

P450
Mono-oxygenase

AGEs

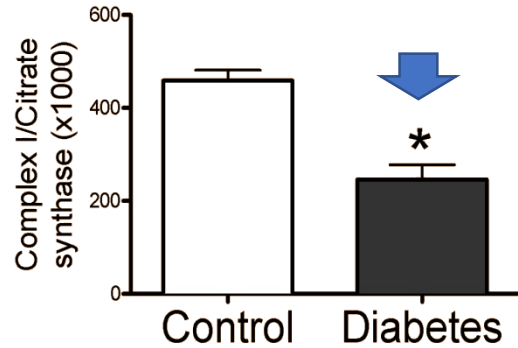
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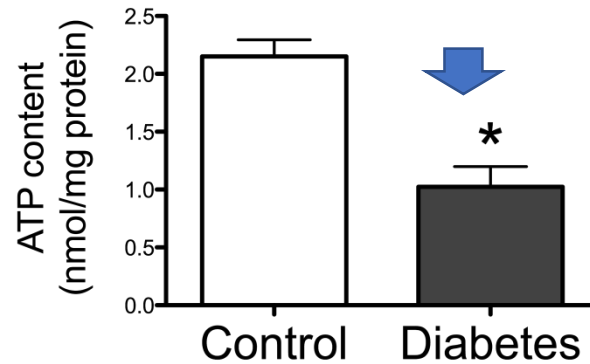
Chacko et al. Biochem J. 2010 Nov 15;432(1):9-19

**Mitochondria-targeted ubiquinone (MitoQ) reduces
Interstitial fibrosis and GBM thickening in Ins2(+/-)(AkitaJ) mice**

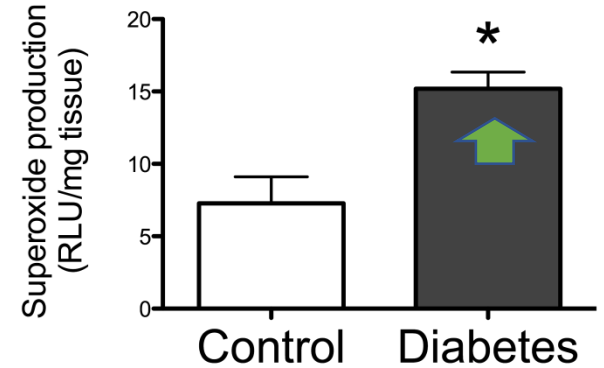
Respiratory chain dysfunction



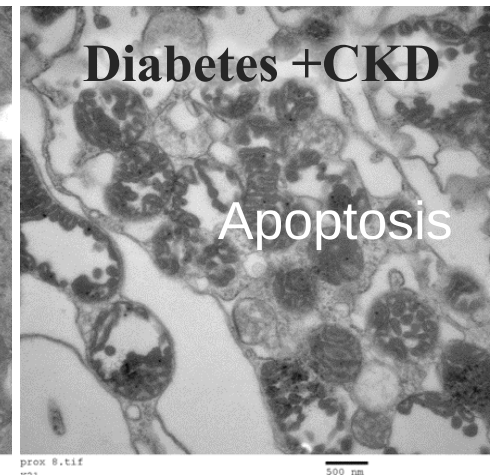
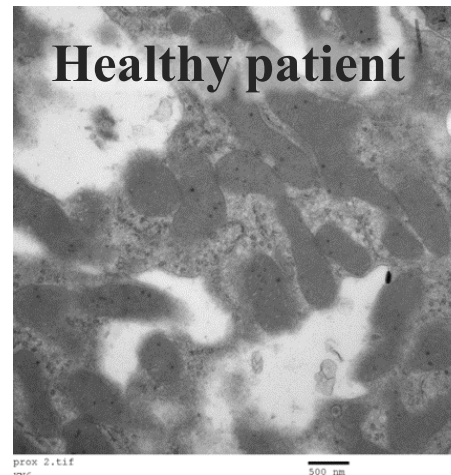
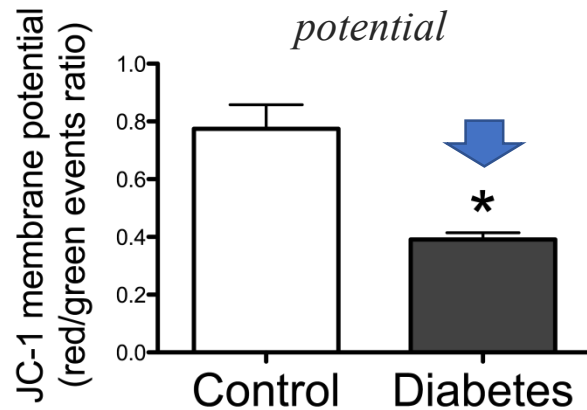
ATP depletion



Increased mitochondrial ROS



Reduced membrane potential



EM Proximal tubular cells

Coughlan MT et al., J Am Soc Nephrol 2009

Mitochondrial disturbances in diabetes: altered mitochondrial bioenergetics

Nox:
"professional oxidase"

NAD(P)H
Oxidase

Gp91/
Nox

p22

p67

p47

Rac2

p40

Xanthine
Oxidase

Uncoupled
ROS

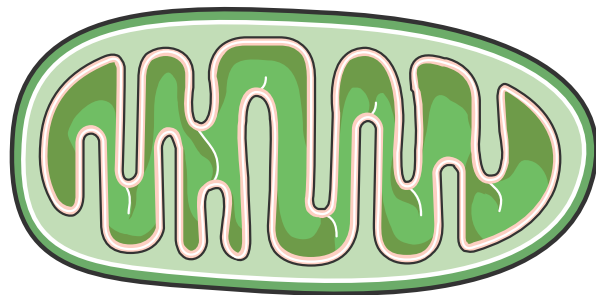
O₂

e⁻

e⁻

•O₂⁻

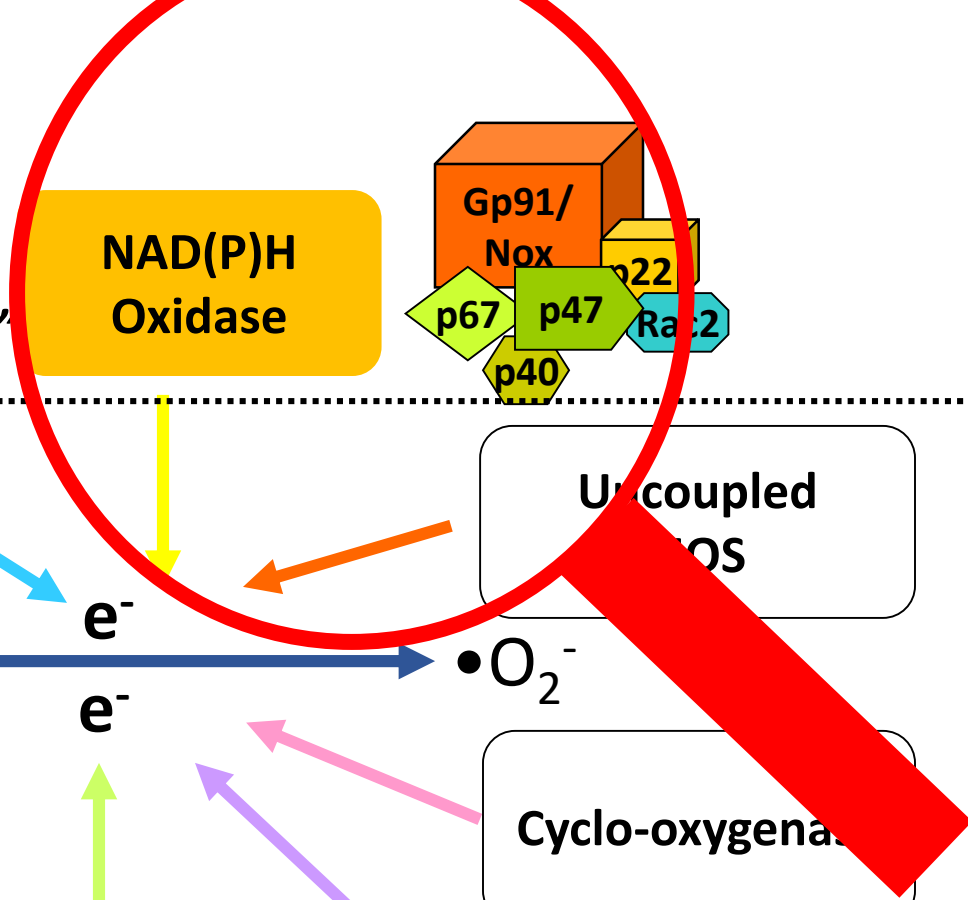
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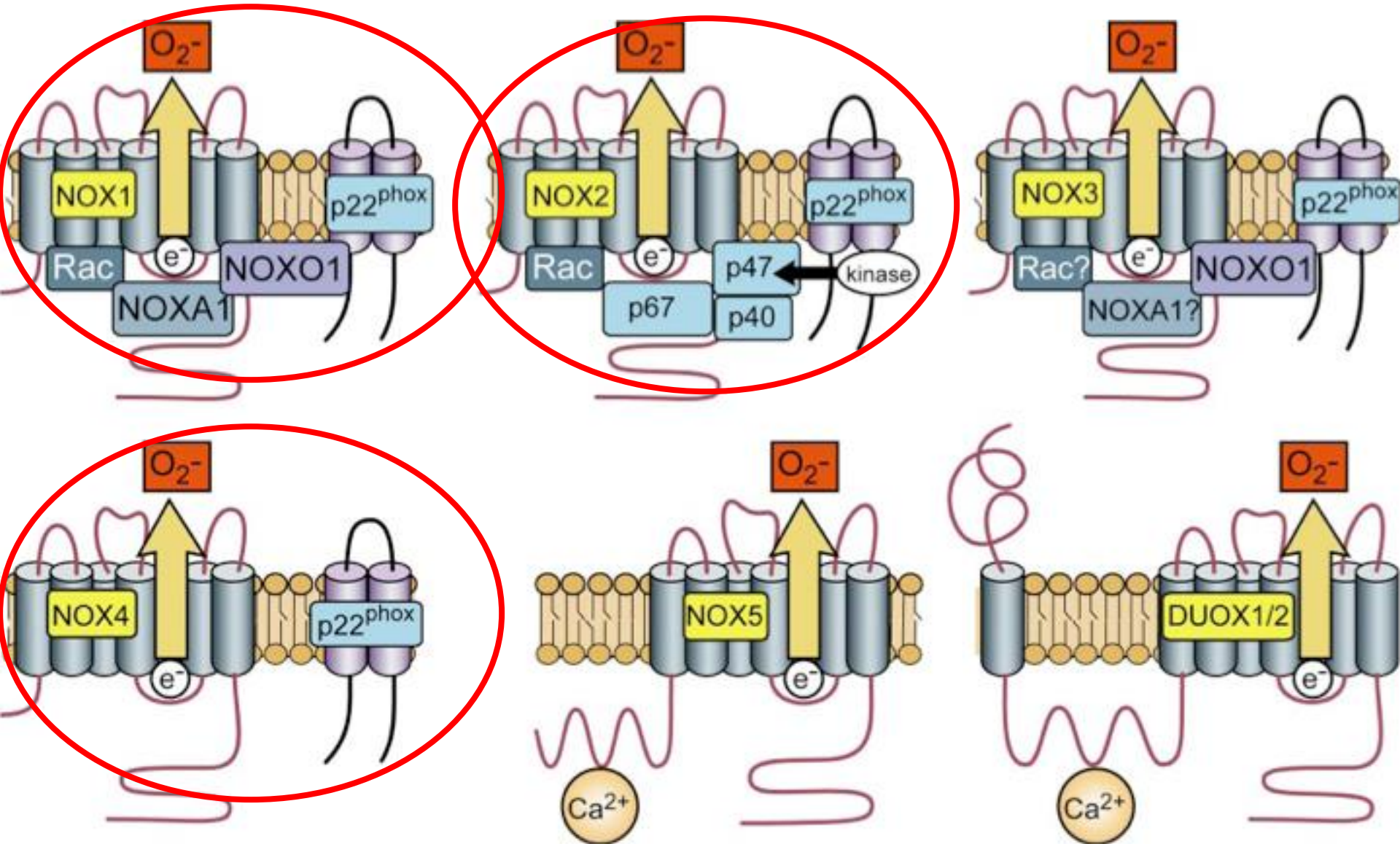
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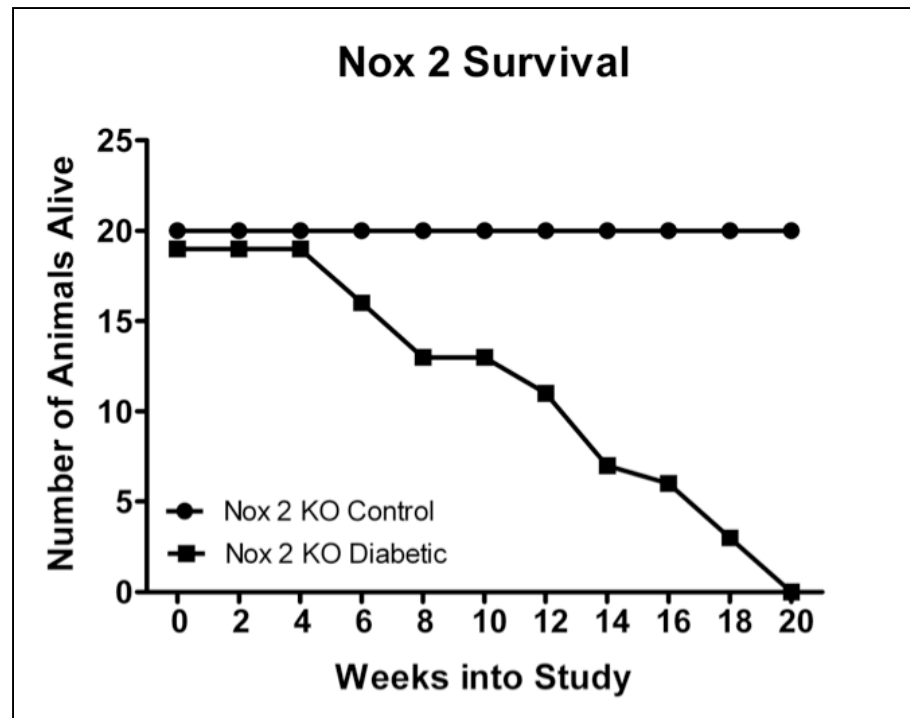
AGEs



Nox isoforms

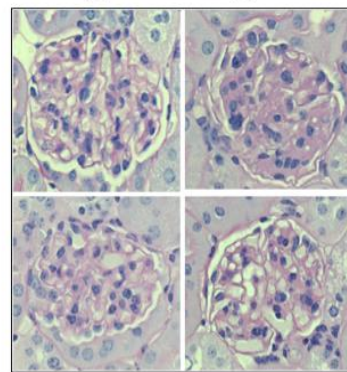
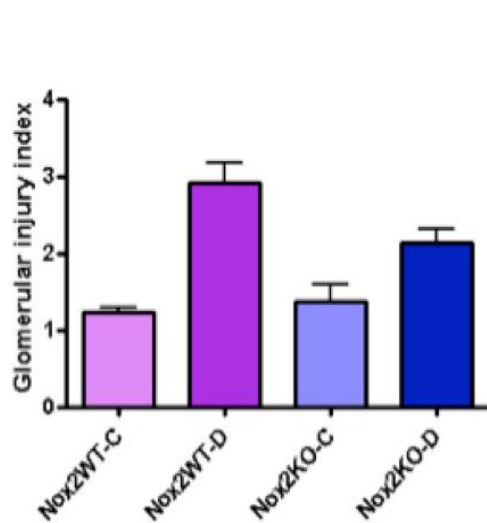
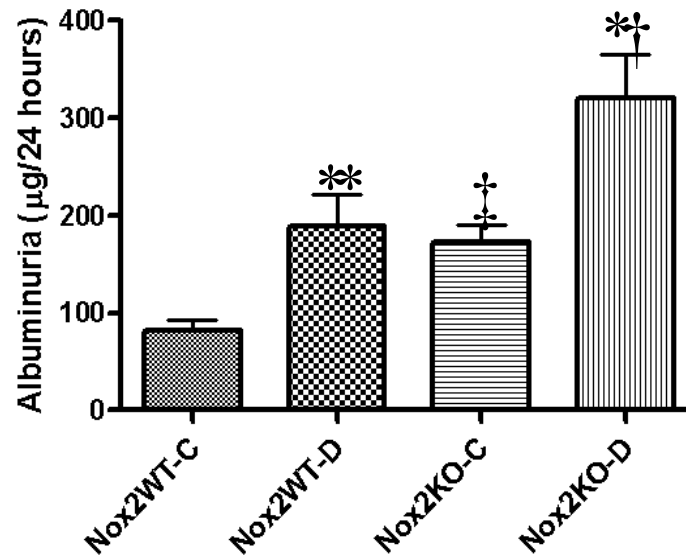


Nox2 deletion increases susceptibility to infections

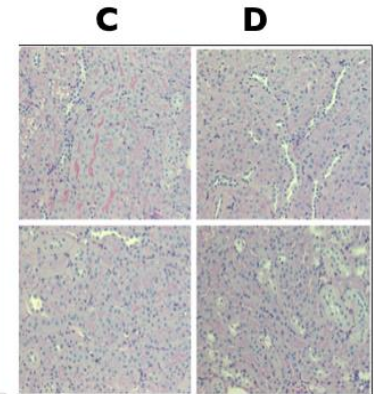
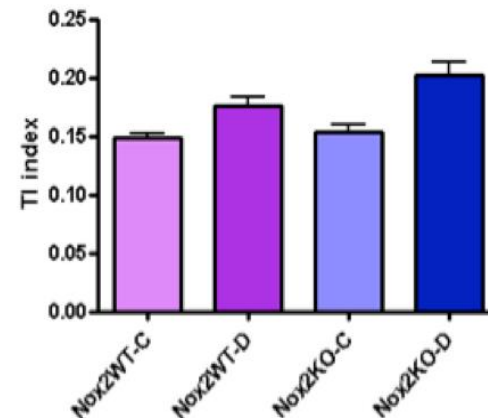


NOX2 deficiency does not protect from diabetic nephropathy

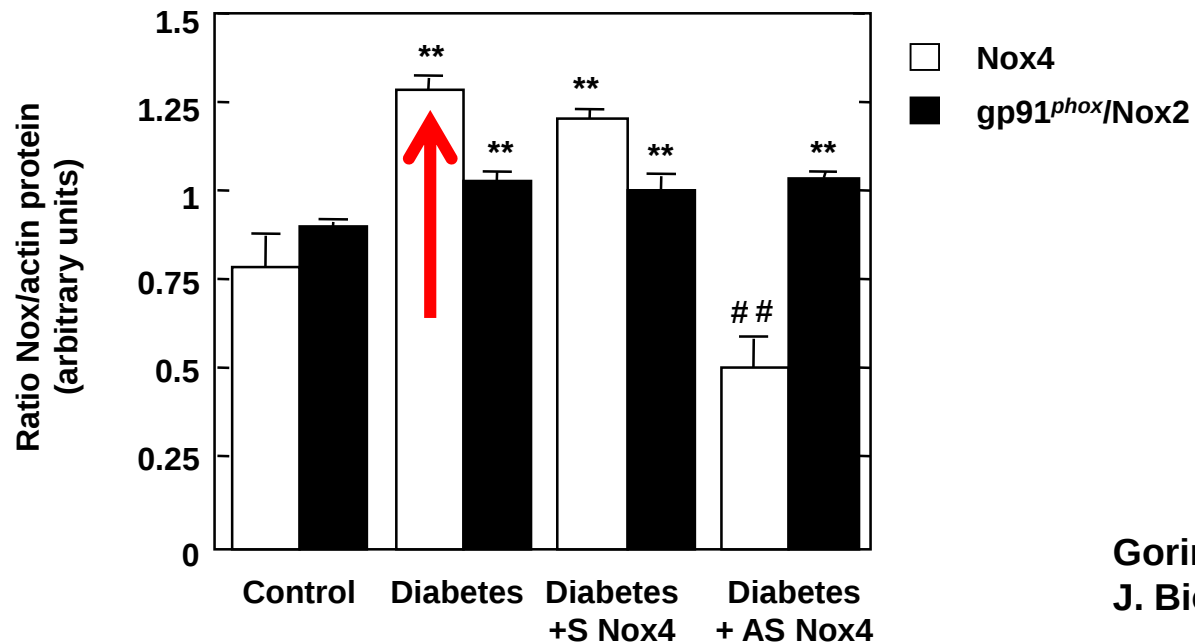
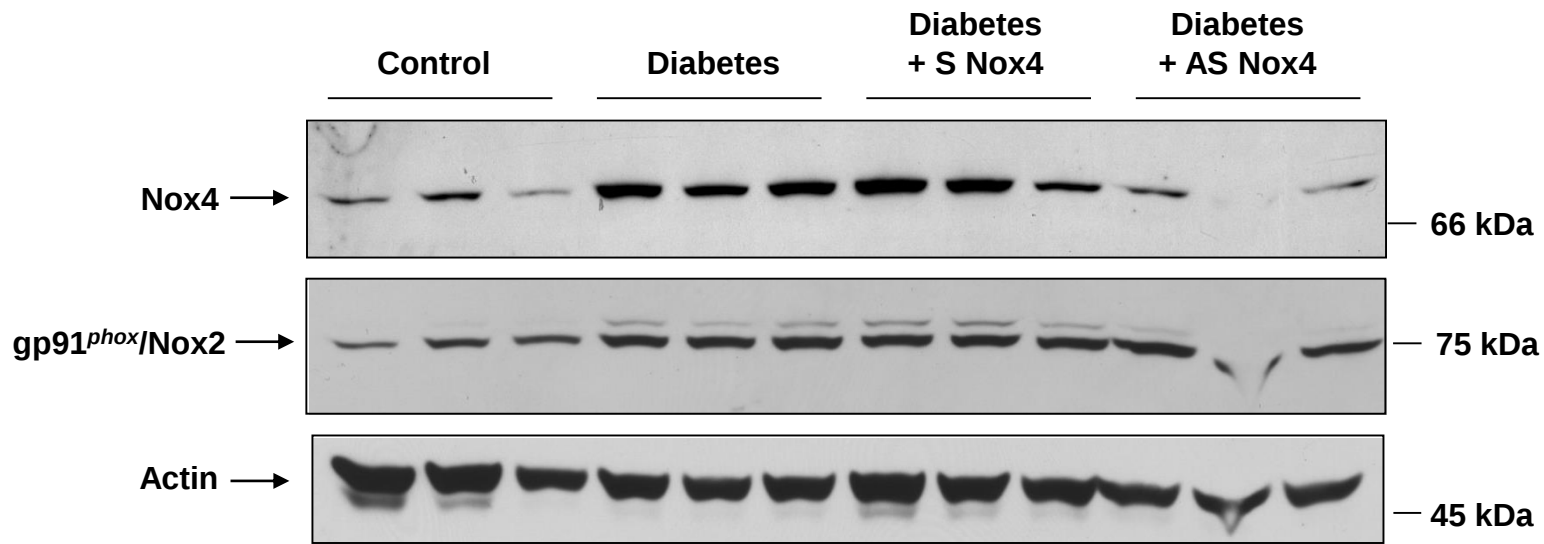
Albuminuria-Nox2-20wks



Nox2^{-/-}-C Nox2^{-/-}-D

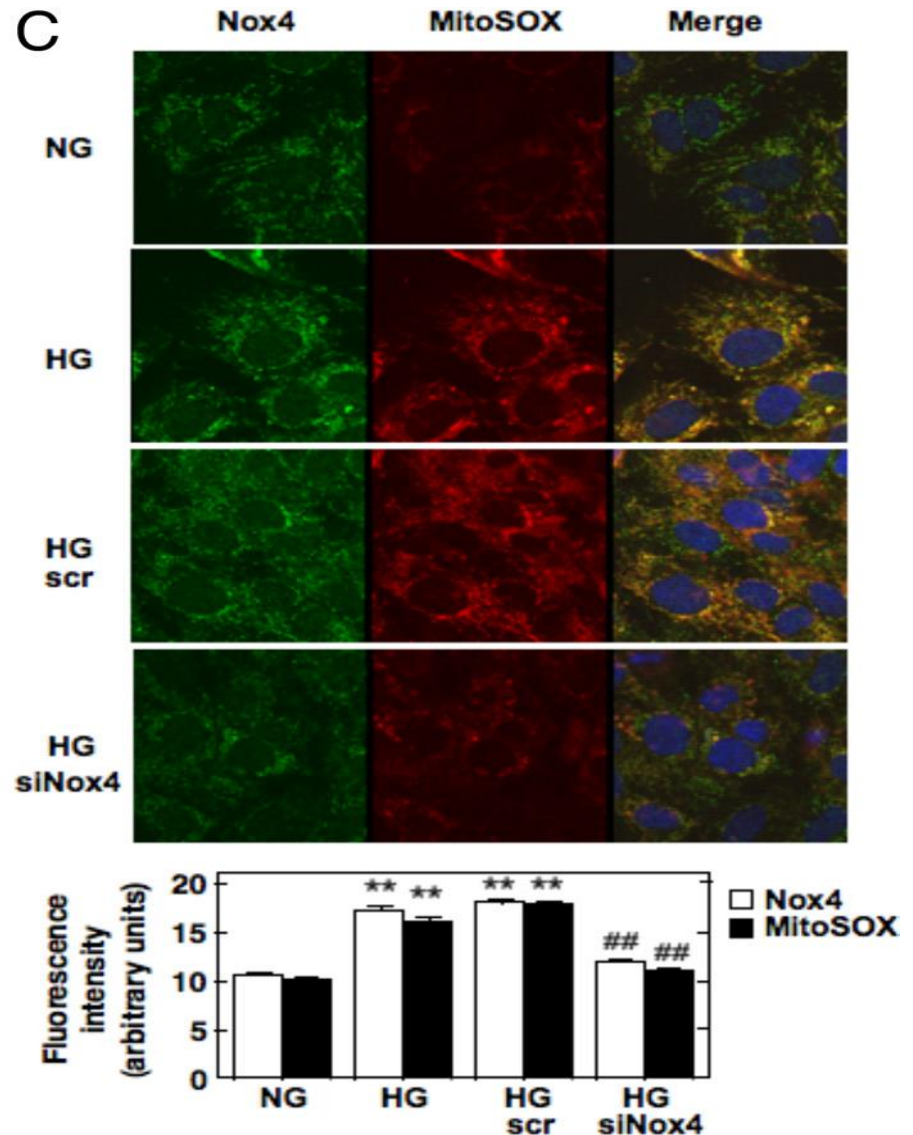
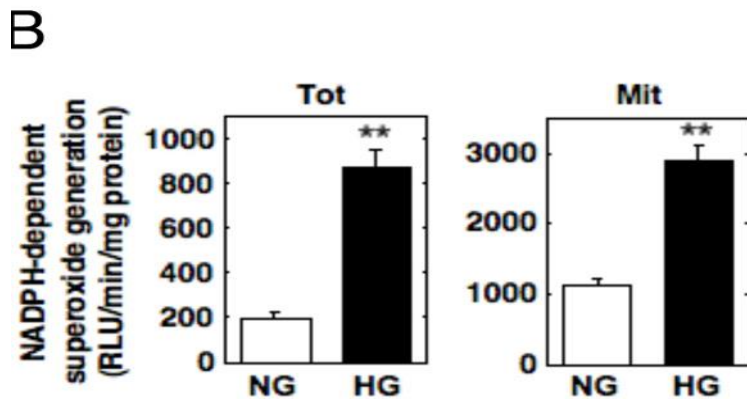
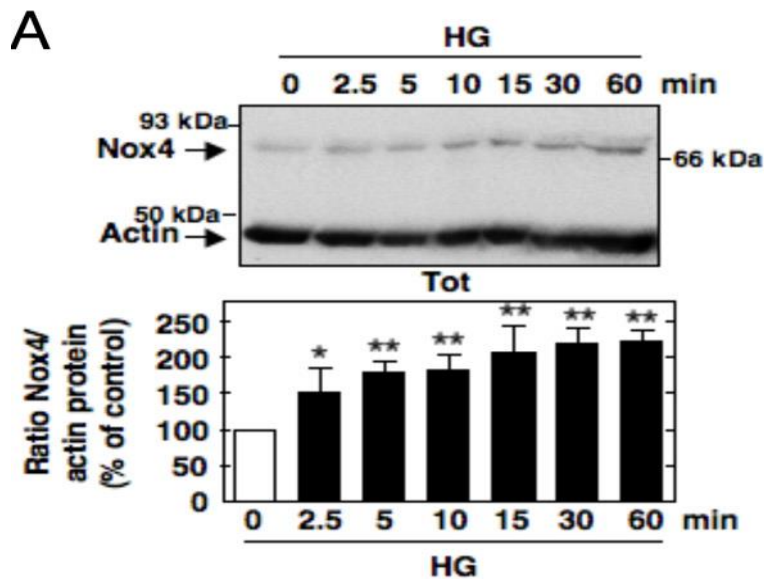


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Gorin Y. et al.,
J. Biol. Chem. 2005

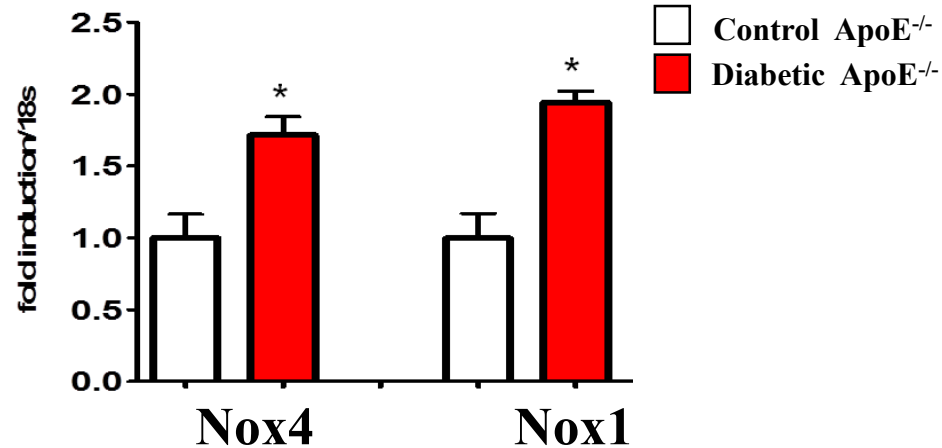
Upregulation of Nox4 in the diabetic kidney



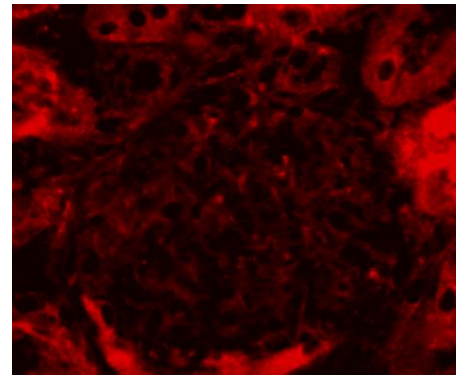
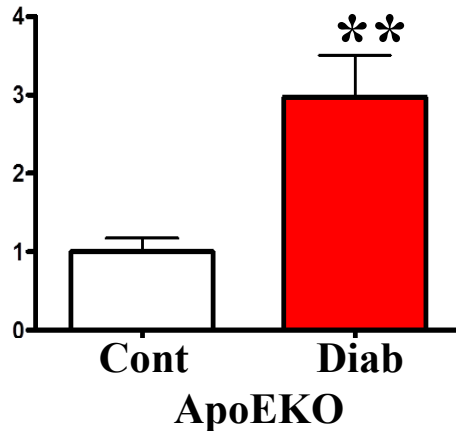
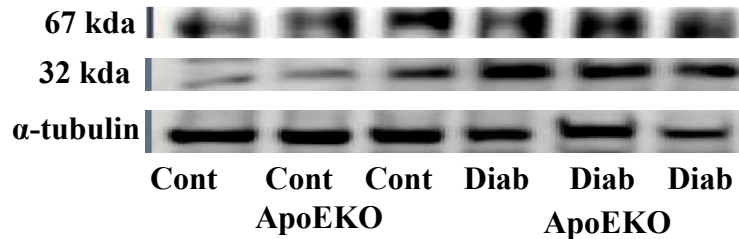
Block K et al, PNAS 2009, 106: 14385-14390

Nox4 also localizes to mitochondria

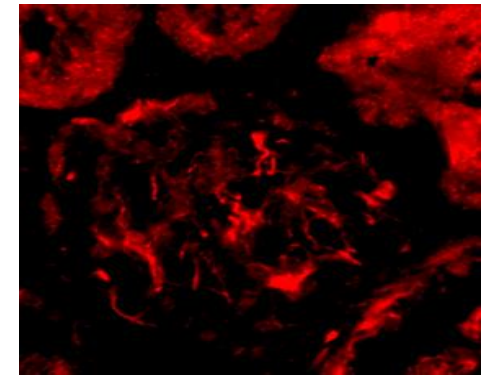
NOX4 in diabetic nephropathy



Protein expression of Nox4 in renal cortex

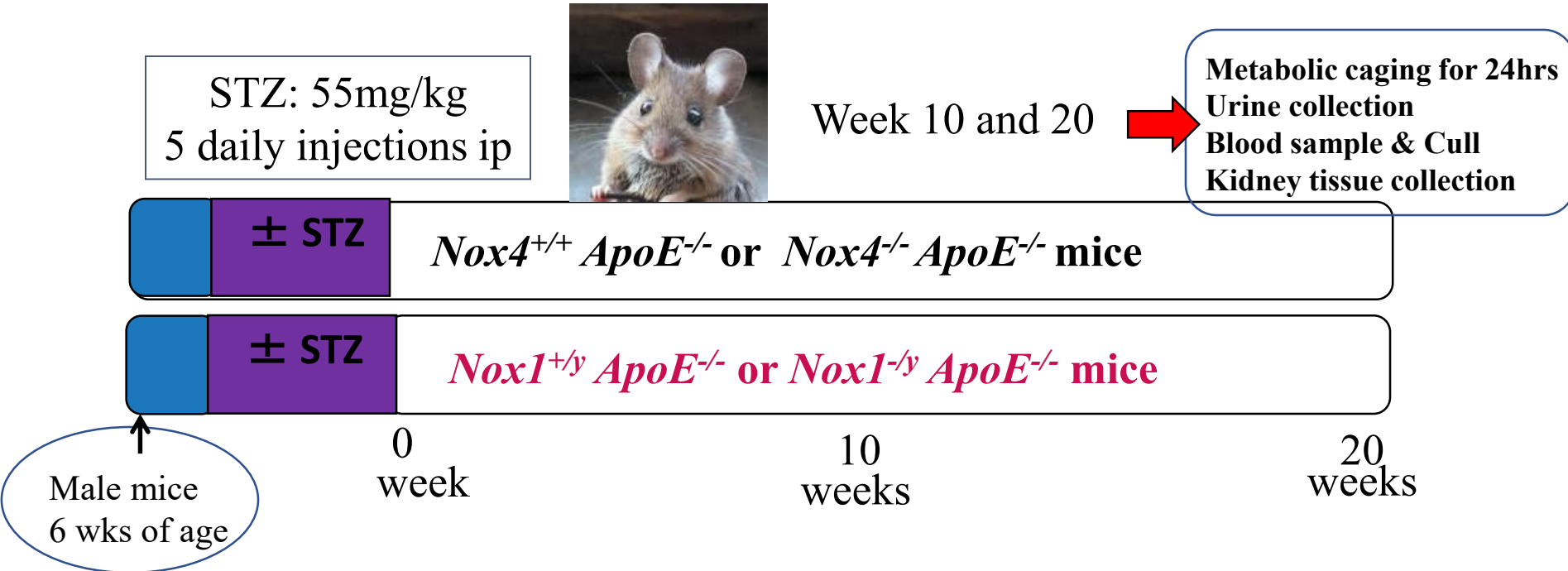


Control ApoE^{-/-}



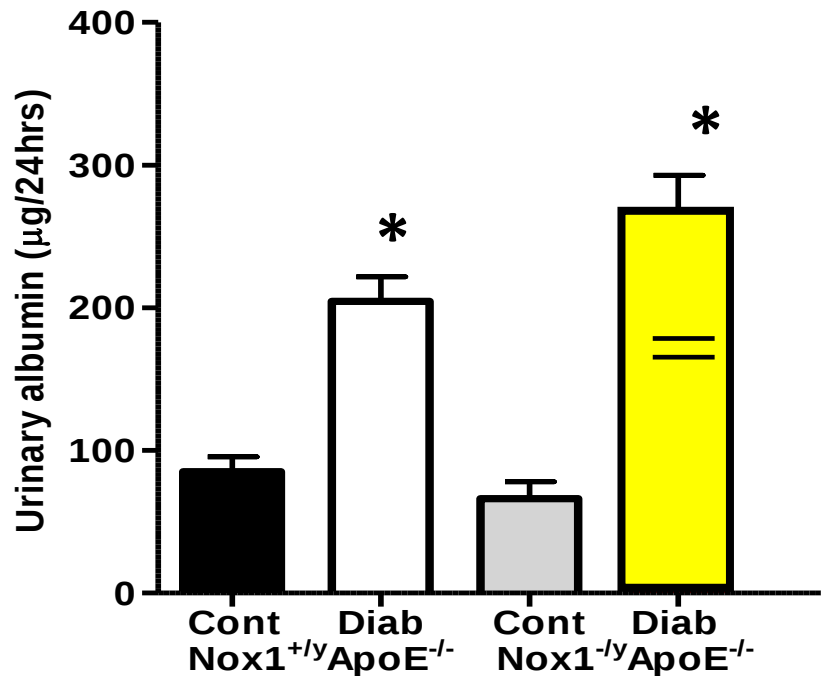
Diabetic ApoE^{-/-}

Experimental design

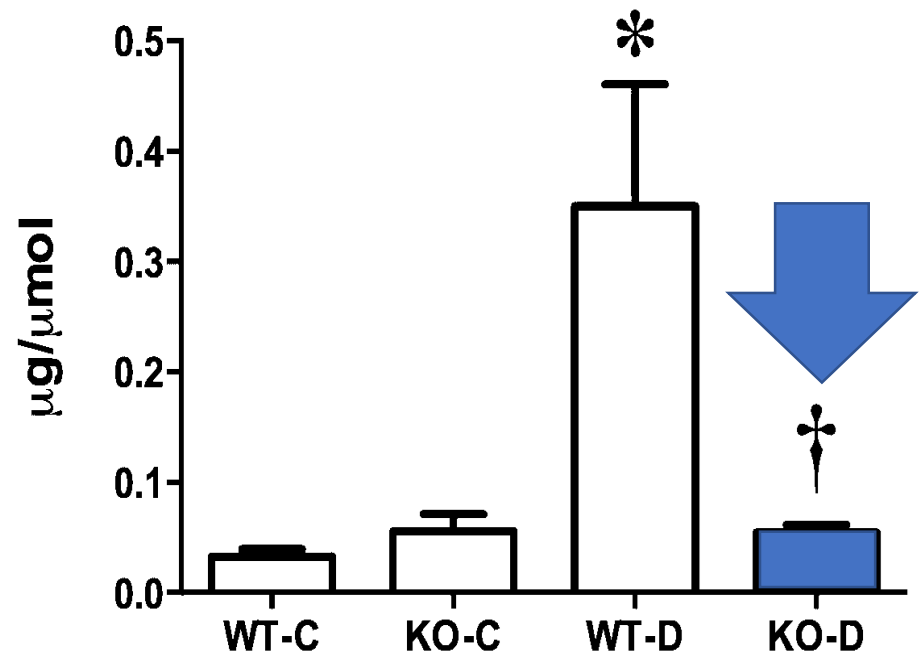


Deletion of NOX4 but not NOX1 reduces albuminuria in diabetic apoE KO mice

Nox1 deletion – albuminuria



Nox4 deletion - albuminuria

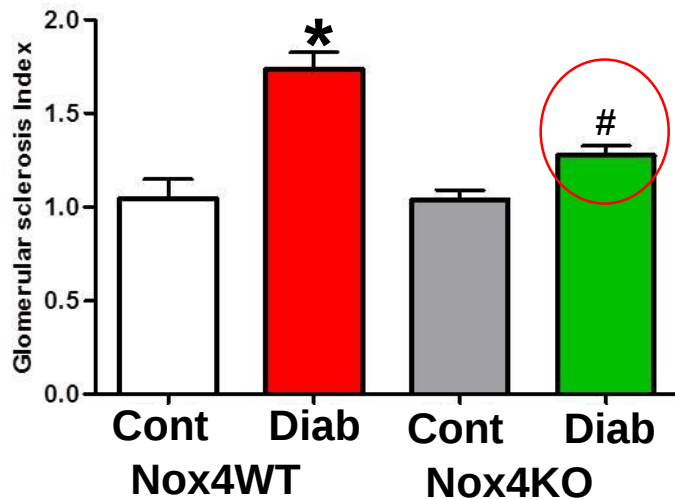


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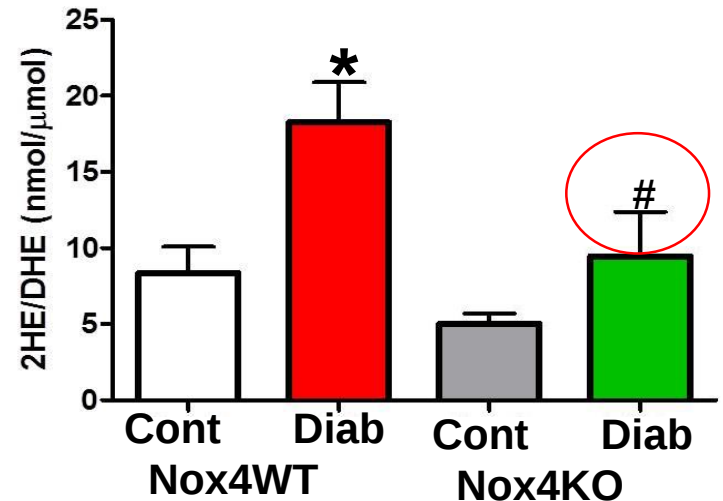
NOX4 in diabetic nephropathy

NOX 4 deficiency attenuates glomerulosclerosis

Glomerulosclerotic index (GSI)

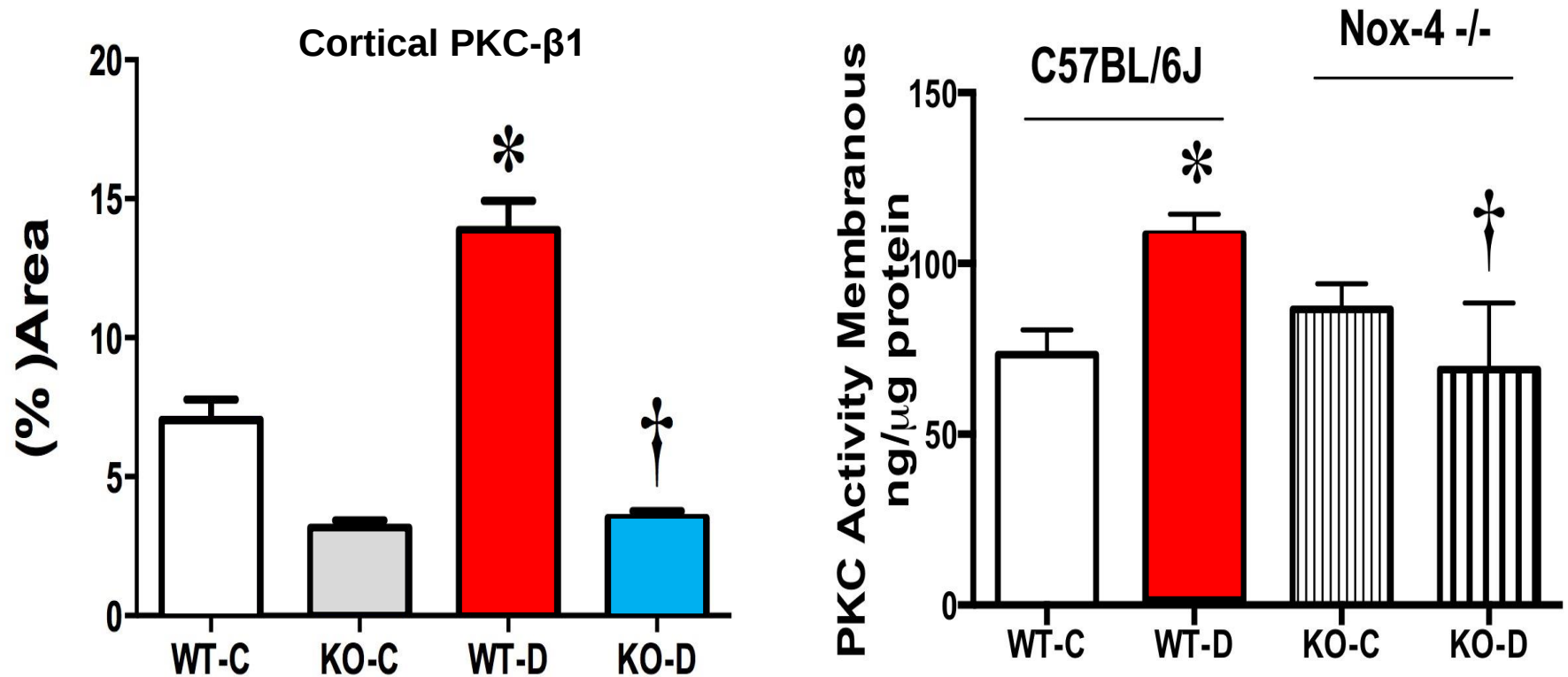


Renal superoxide production



NOX4 in diabetic nephropathy

Nox-4 KO mice also have reduced PKC α & PKC- β 1

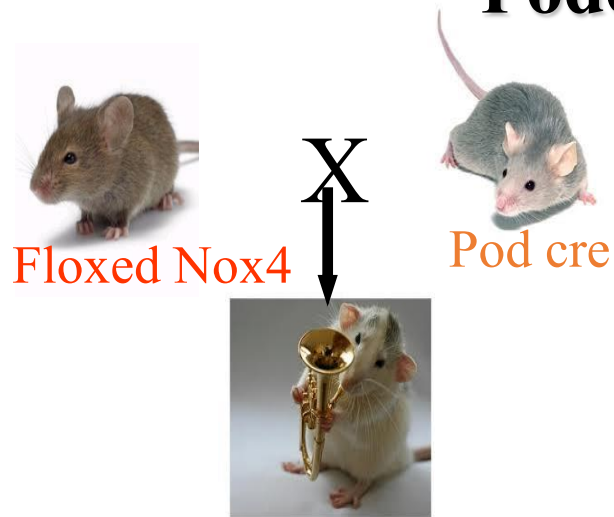


*p<0.001 vs WT-C; †p<0.001 vs WT-D

V Thallas-Bonke et al, Physiol Rep 2014

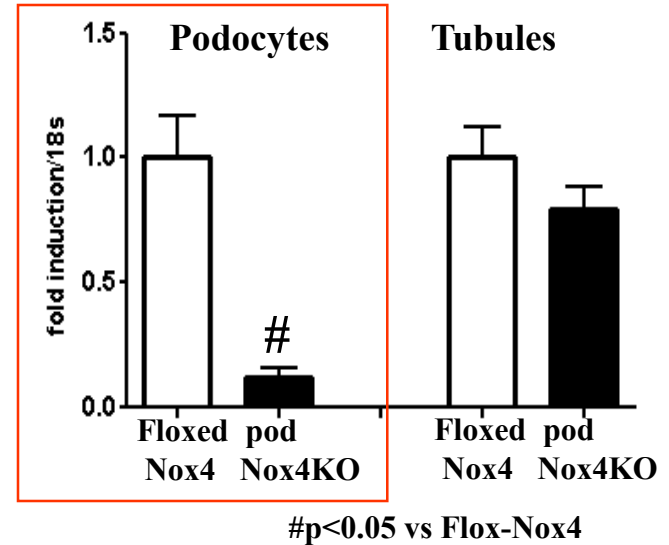
NOX4 deletion: direct or indirect mediator?

Podocyte-specific Nox4KO

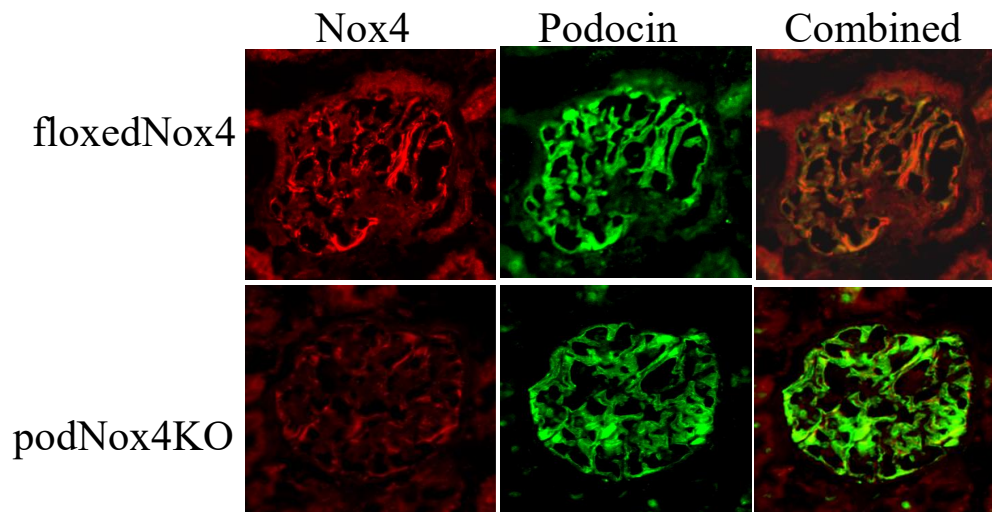


Podocyte specific Nox4 KO mouse
(podNox4KO)

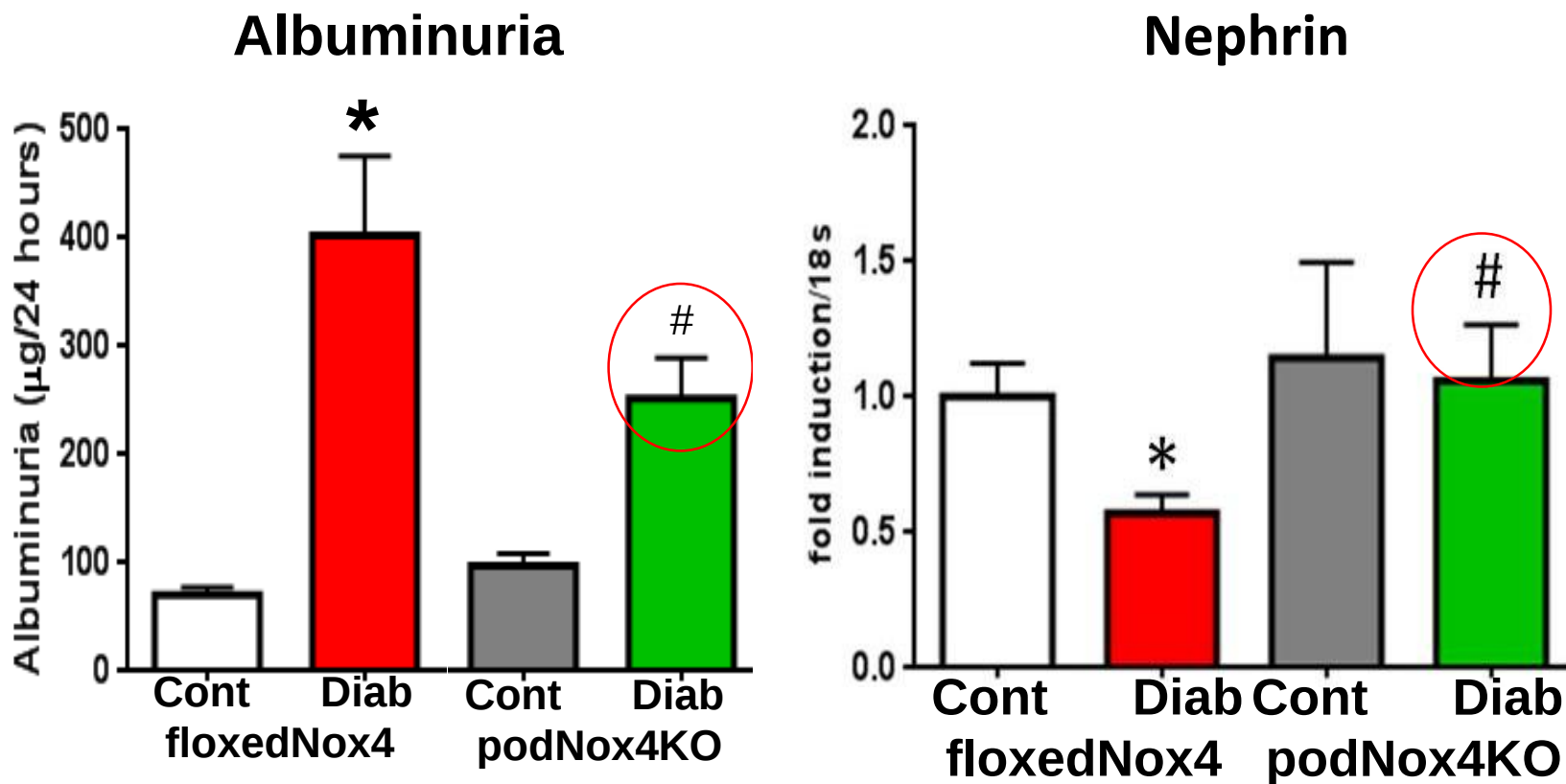
Nox4 gene expression



Colocalisation of Nox4 and podocin



Podocyte specific Nox4 deletion attenuates albuminuria in diabetes



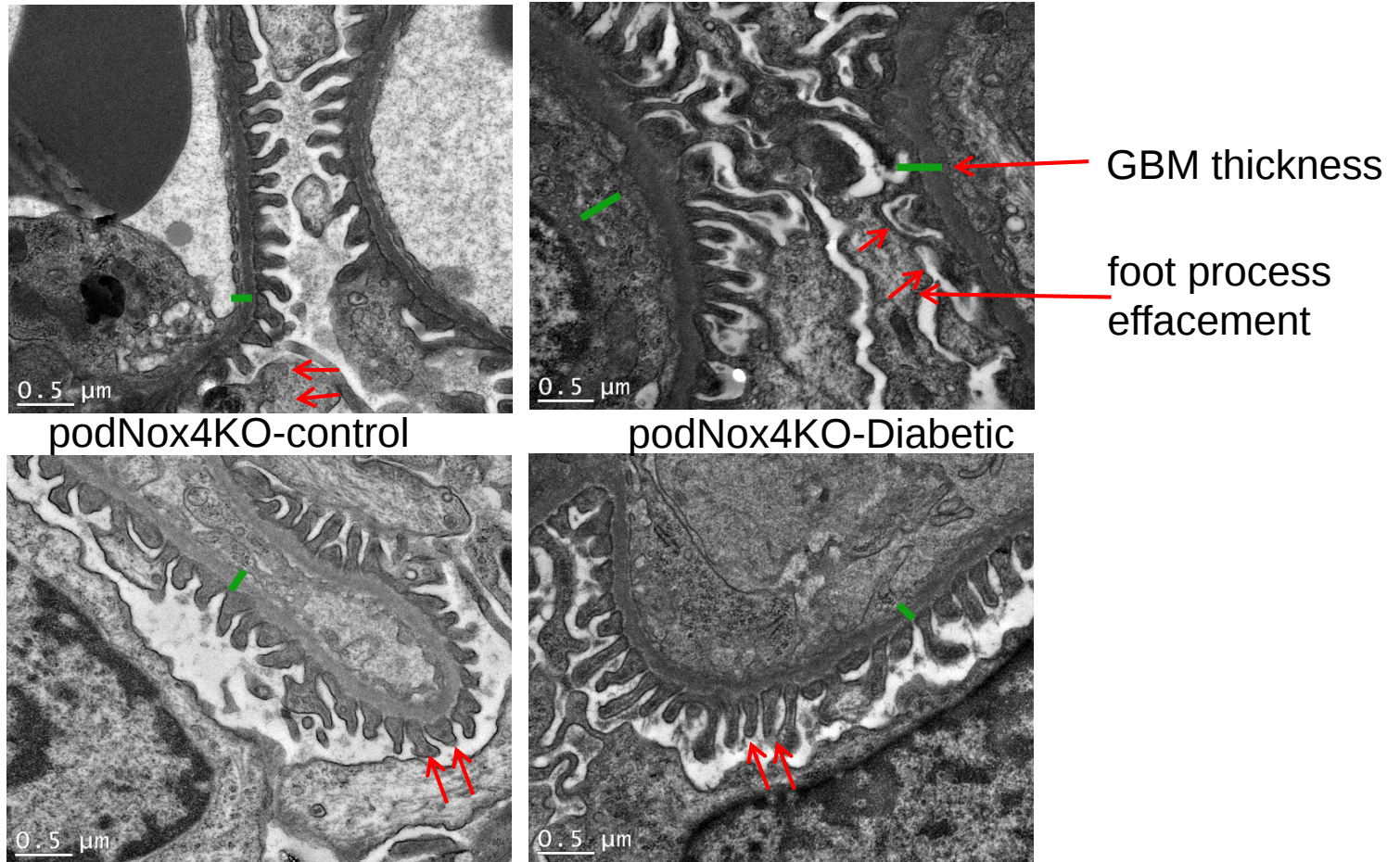
*p < 0.05 vs respective non-diabetic controls

#p < 0.05 vs floxedNox4 diabetic mice

JC Jha, Diabetologia 2016

Podocyte NOX4 in diabetes

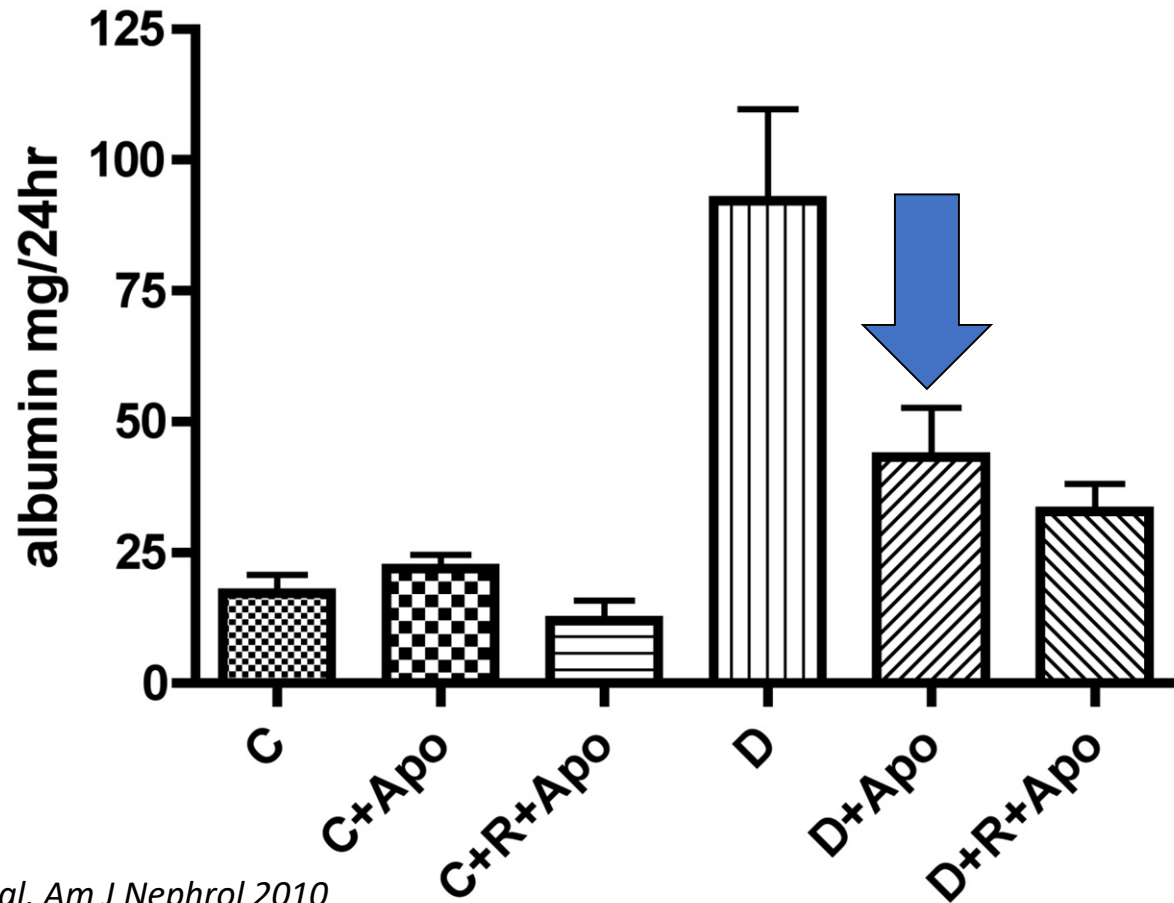
Podocyte specific Nox4 deletion attenuates glomerular basement membrane (GBM) thickness as well as reduces podocyte foot process effacement in diabetes



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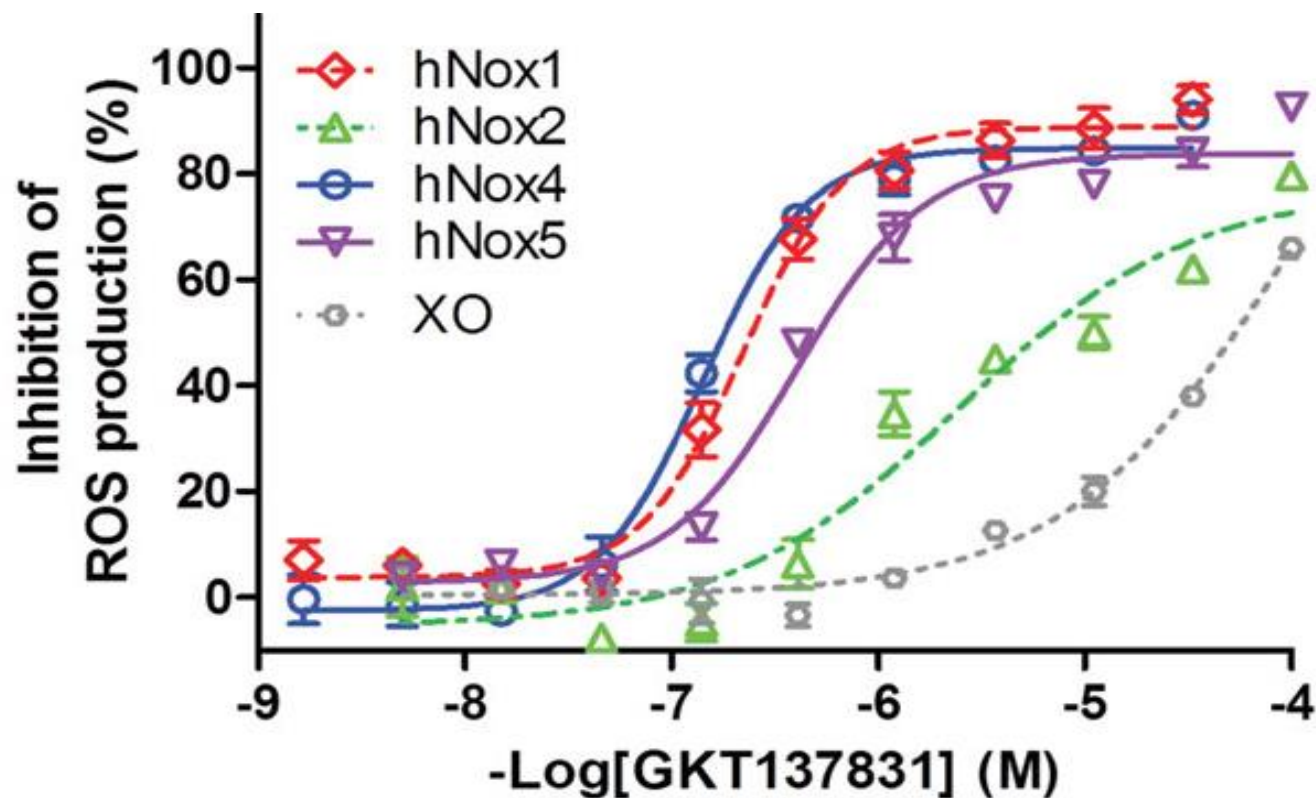
Non-specific ROS inhibition with apocynin reduces albuminuria in mice with STZ diabetes



Thallas-Bonke et al, Am J Nephrol 2010

NOX inhibition in diabetes?

First in- class Nox1/Nox4 Inhibitor: GKT137831 (Genkyotex SA, Switzerland)



•Specific •Selective •Orally bioavailable

Experimental design

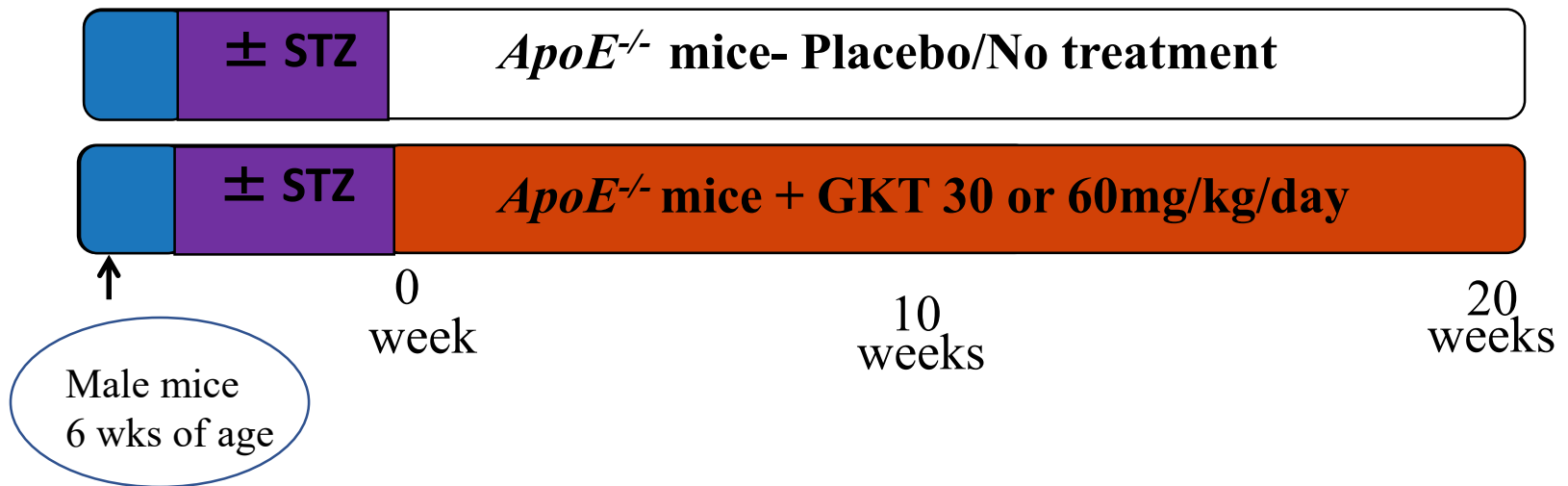
STZ: 55mg/kg
5 daily injections ip



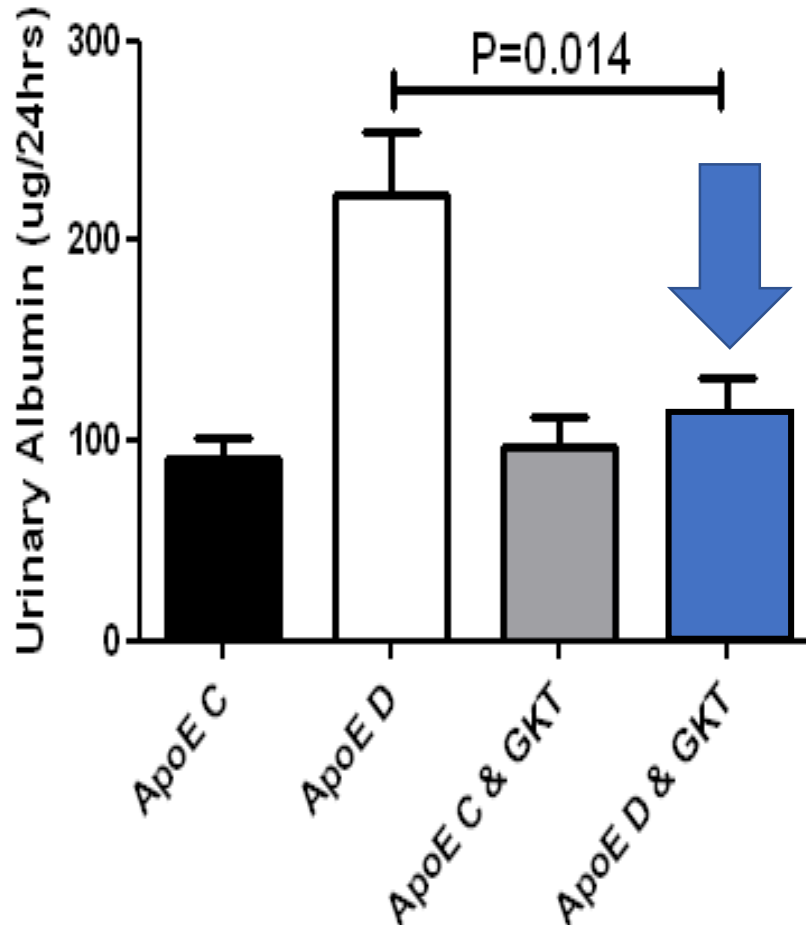
Week 10 and 20



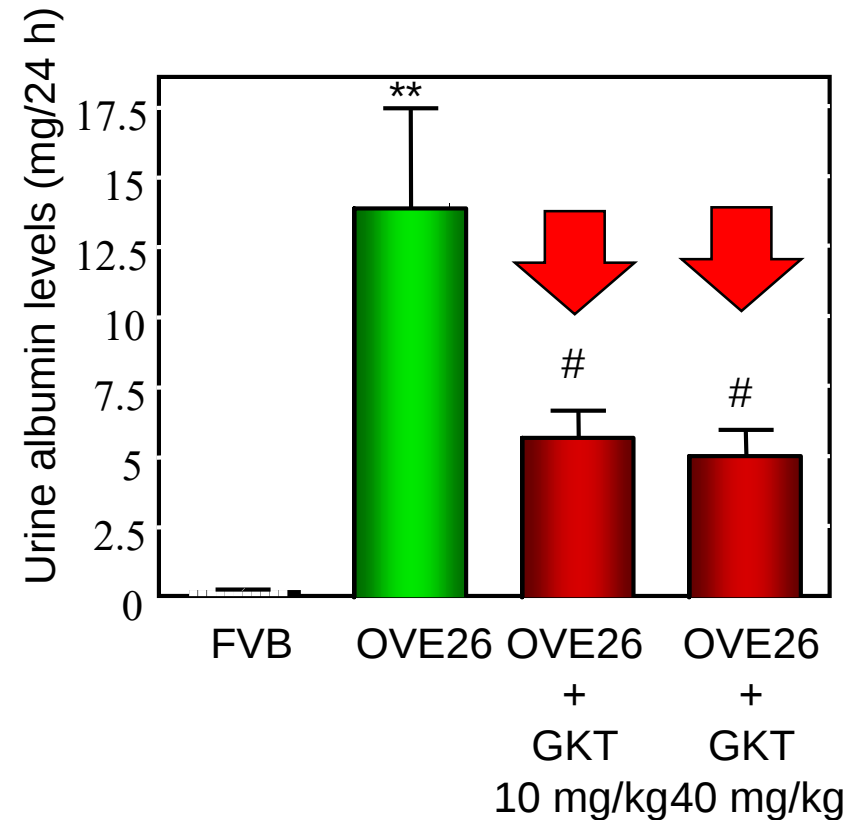
Metabolic caging for 24hrs
Urine collection
Blood sample & Cull
Kidney tissue collection



Nox inhibition with GKT reduces albuminuria in diabetic apoE KO mice in OVE26 mice



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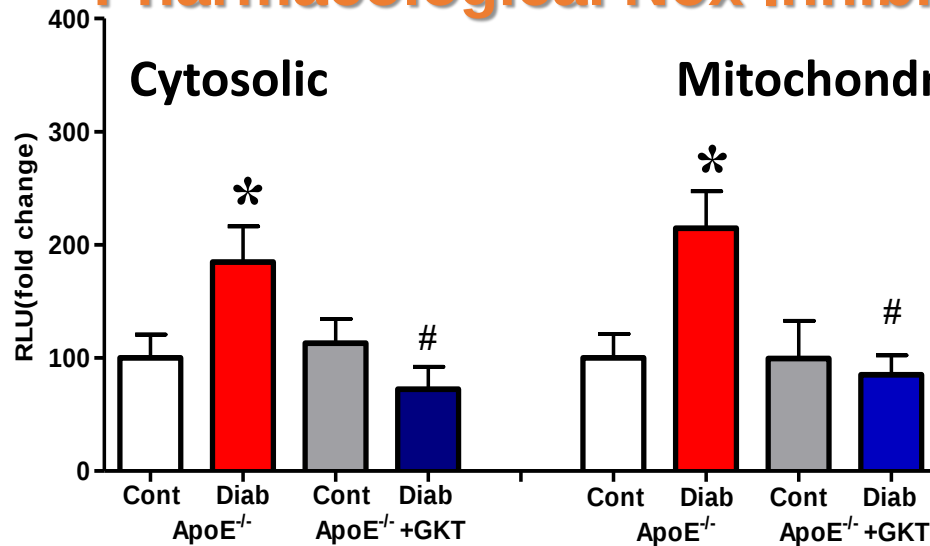


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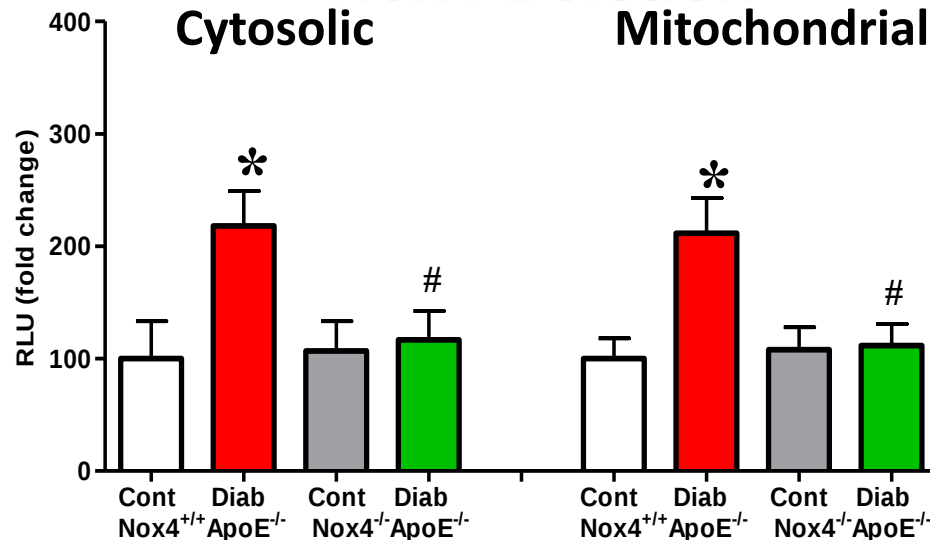
NOX inhibition in diabetic nephropathy

Reactive Oxygen Species (ROS)

Pharmacological Nox Inhibition



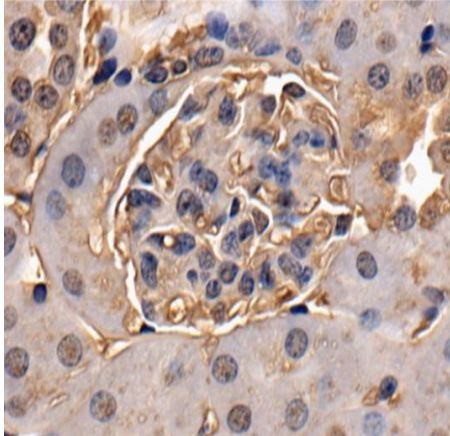
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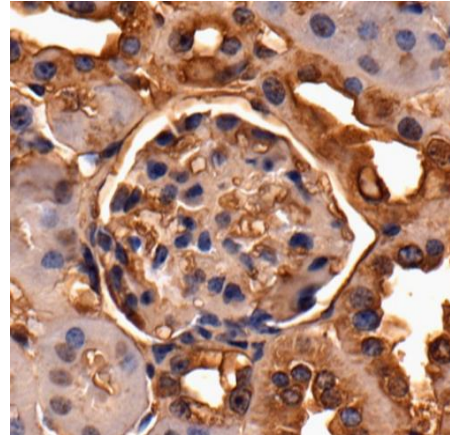
NOX inhibition attenuates renal fibrosis

Fibronectin

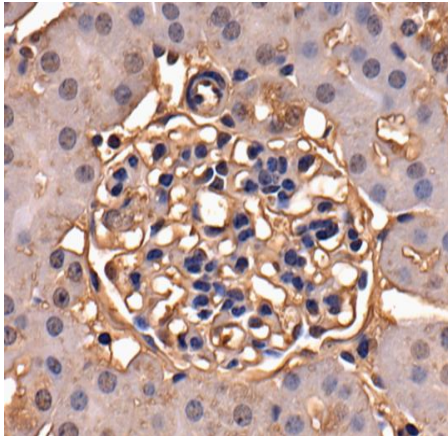
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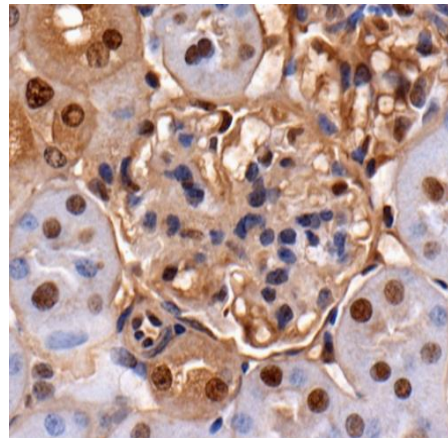
Diabetes



Nox inhibition (GKT137831)

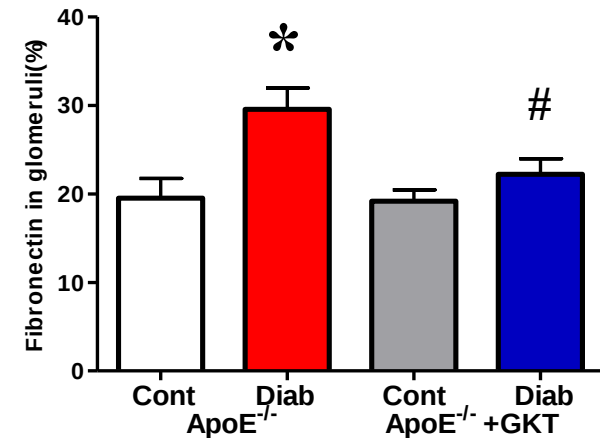


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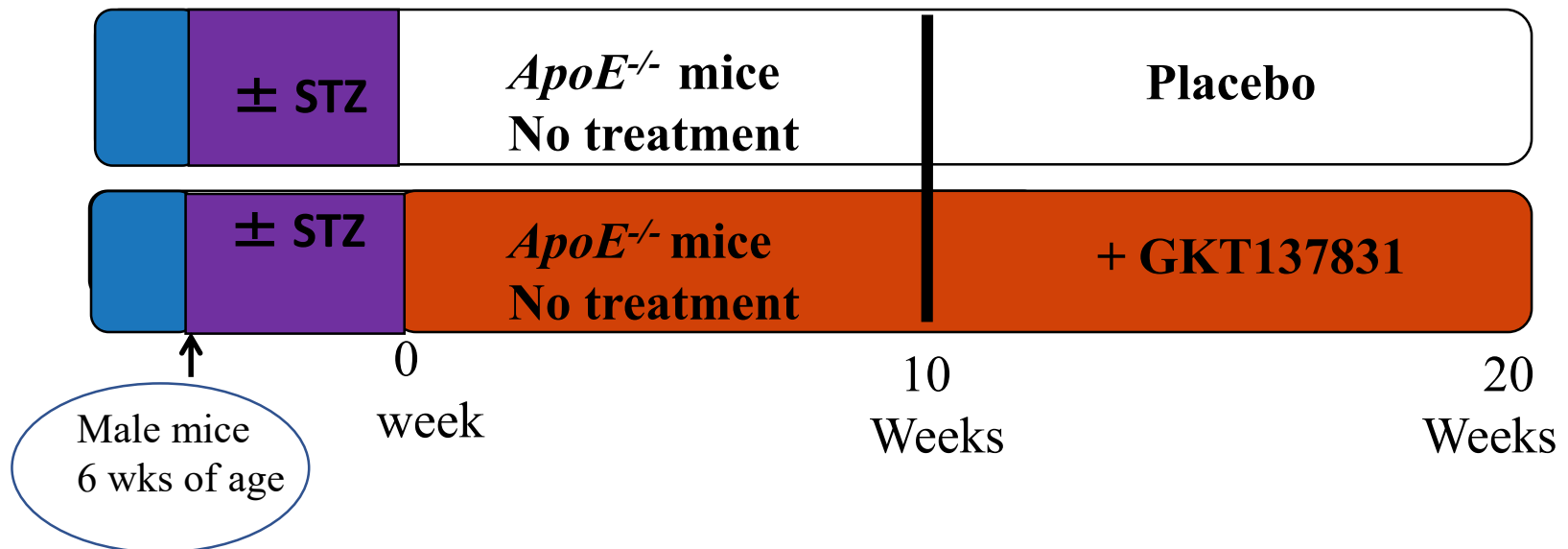
Diabetes

Nox Inhibition

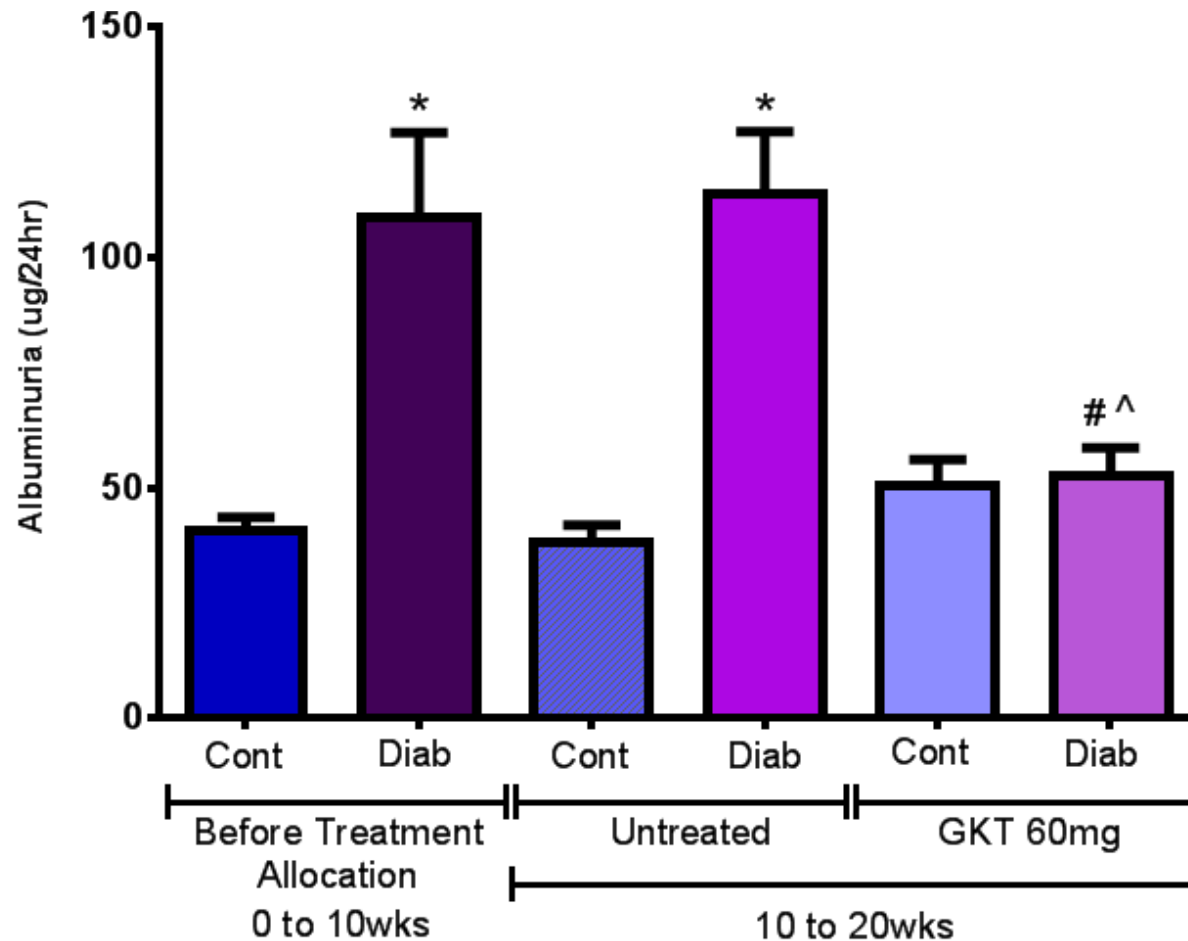


Jha et al, JASN (2014)

Delayed intervention in established nephropathy



Nox inhibition attenuates albuminuria in established disease



* $P < 0.05$ v Control before allocation. # $P < 0.05$ v Diabetic before allocation. ^ $P < 0.05$ v Untreated Diabetic

Clinical translation

**GKT137831 in phase IIb clinical trial in type2 diabetic nephropathy
with albuminuria despite maximal RAS blockade**

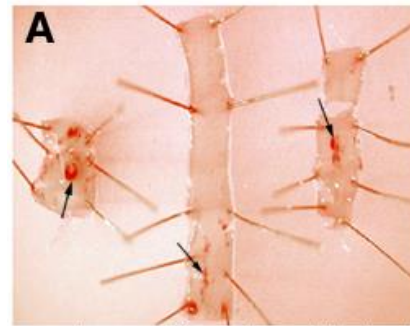
NCT02010242, Genkyotex SA

**9th Sept2015: Safety confirmed, reduction in inflammatory markers,
albuminuria unchanged**

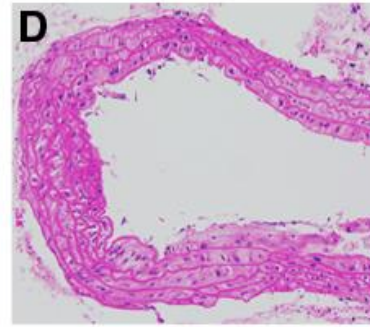
JDRF/NHMRC Australia funded CONCEPT-study:

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With GKT137831 in adults with type1 diabetes and elevated
albumin excretion**

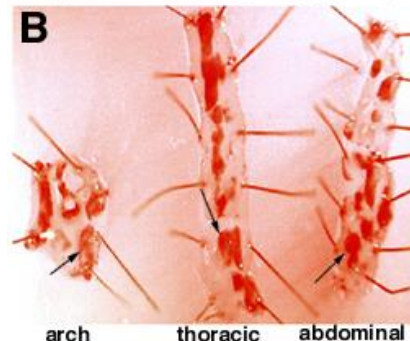
Macrovascular Disease: Diabetes- accelerated atherosclerosis



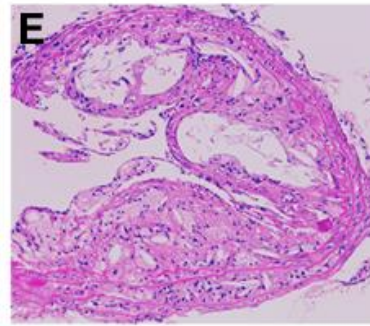
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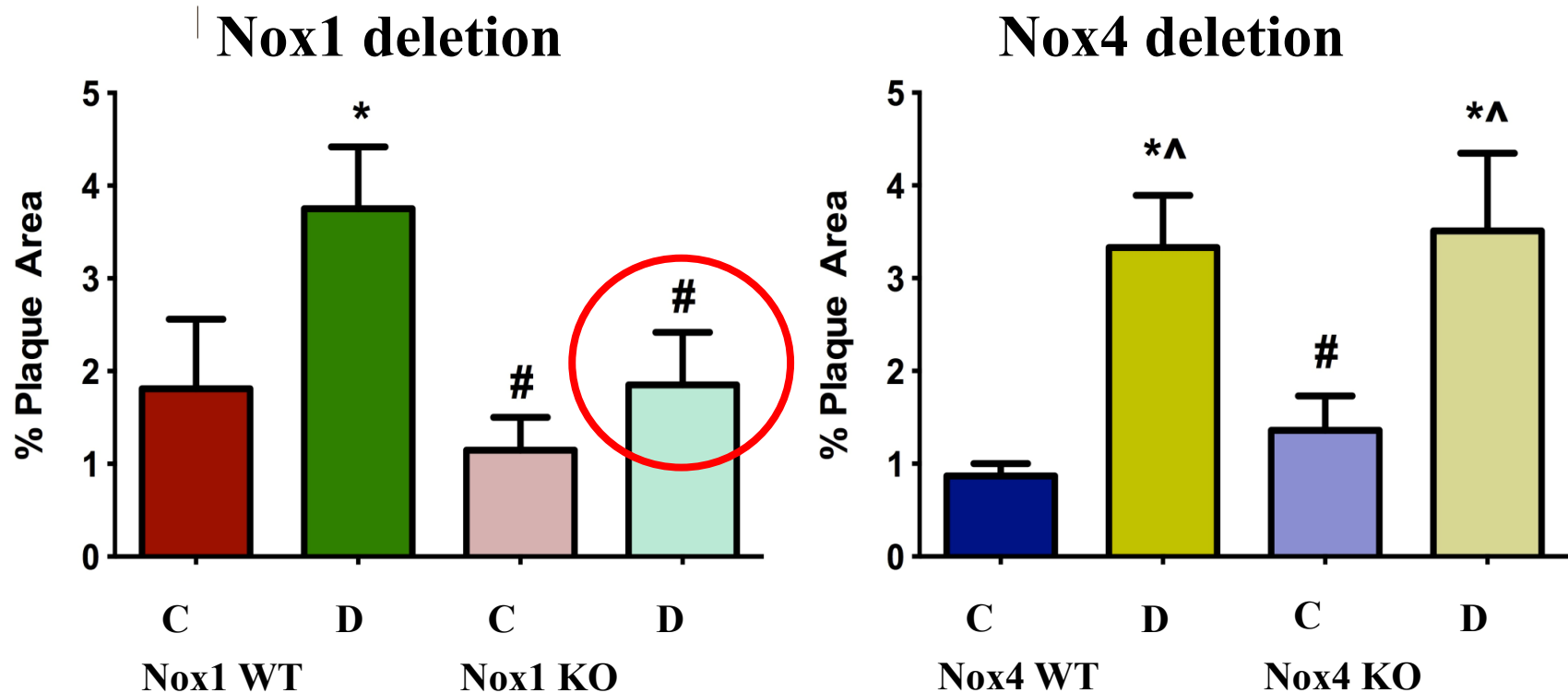


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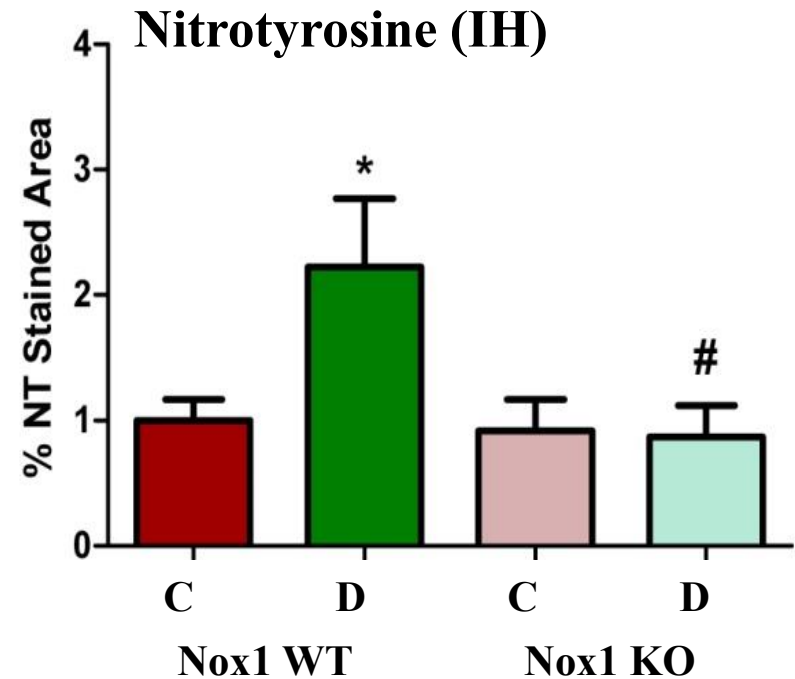
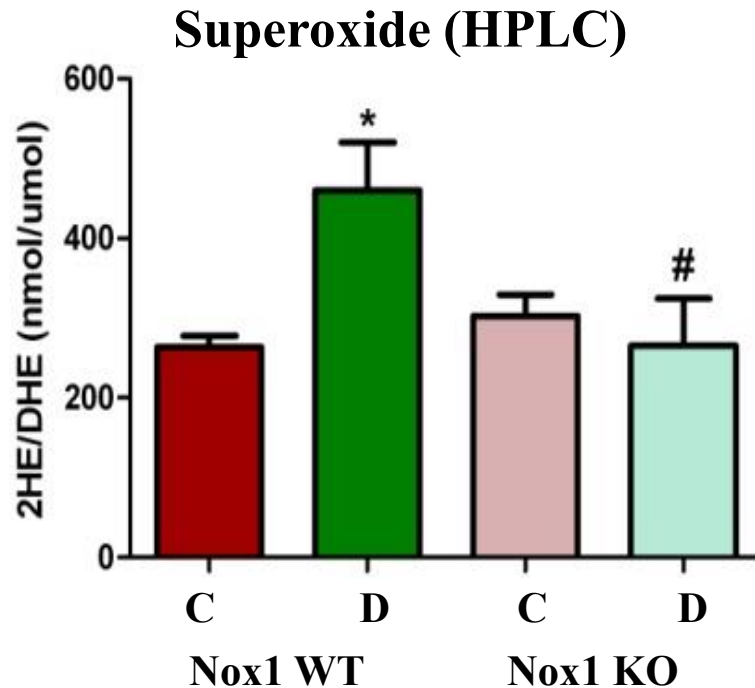
Atherosclerosis is attenuated in diabetic Nox1 deficient mice



S Gray et al, Circulation, 2013,127:1888-902

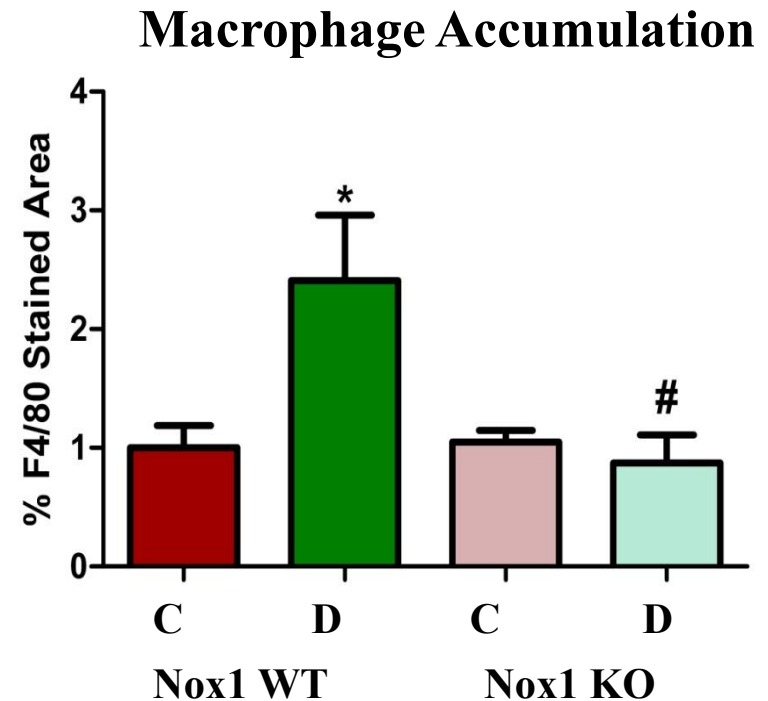
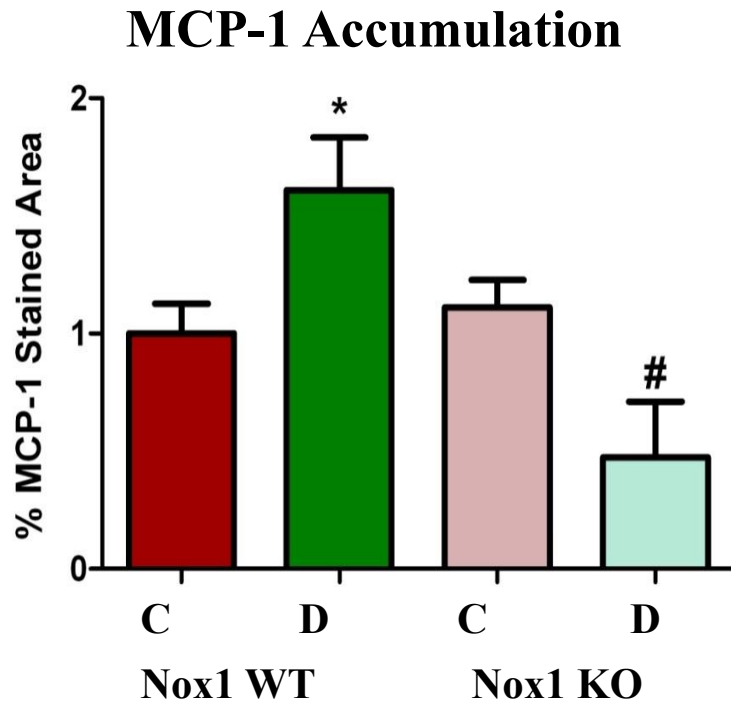
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Nox1 deletion: reduced aortic ROS



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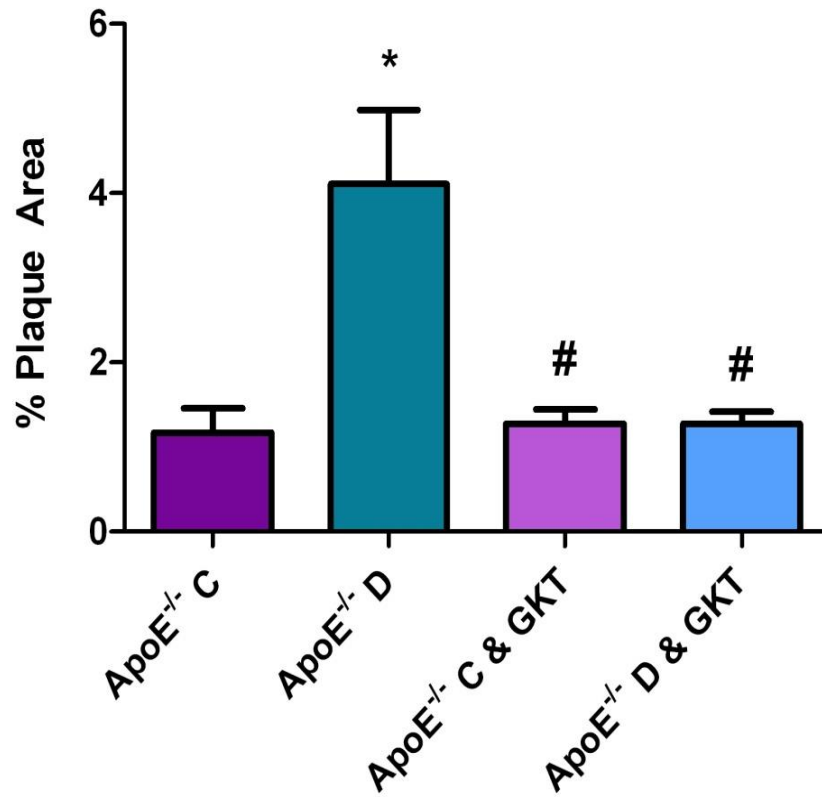
Nox 1 Deletion: attenuation of MCP-1 and macrophage accumulation



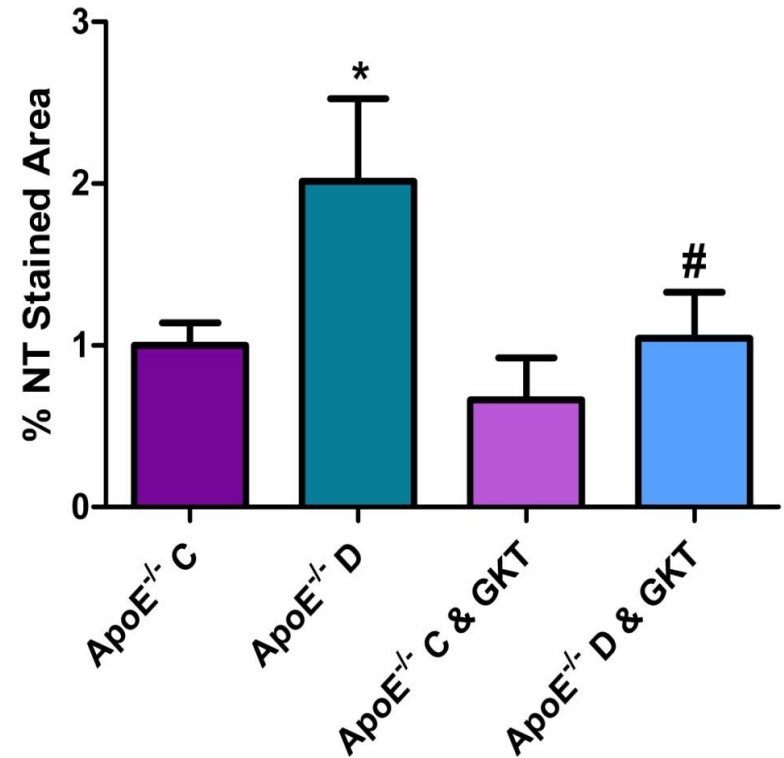
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Pharmacological Nox inhibition attenuates plaque formation

Atherosclerotic Plaque



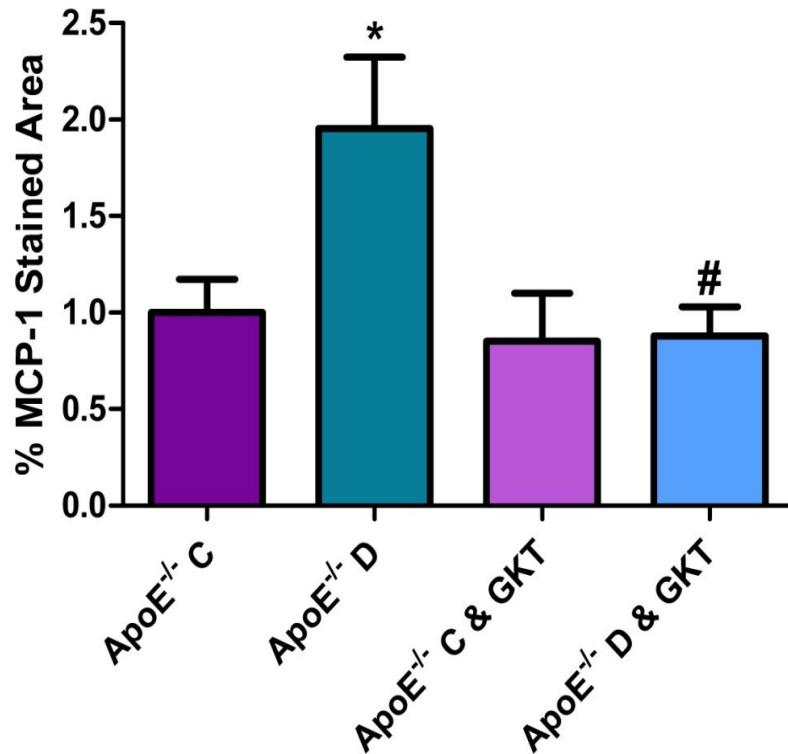
Nitrotyrosine



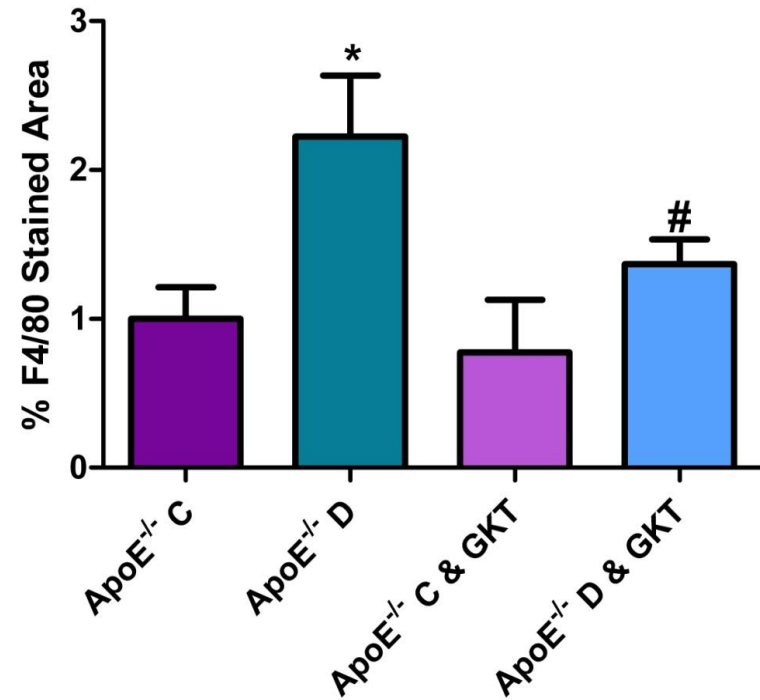
MCP-1

Macrophage accumulation

Nox inhibition

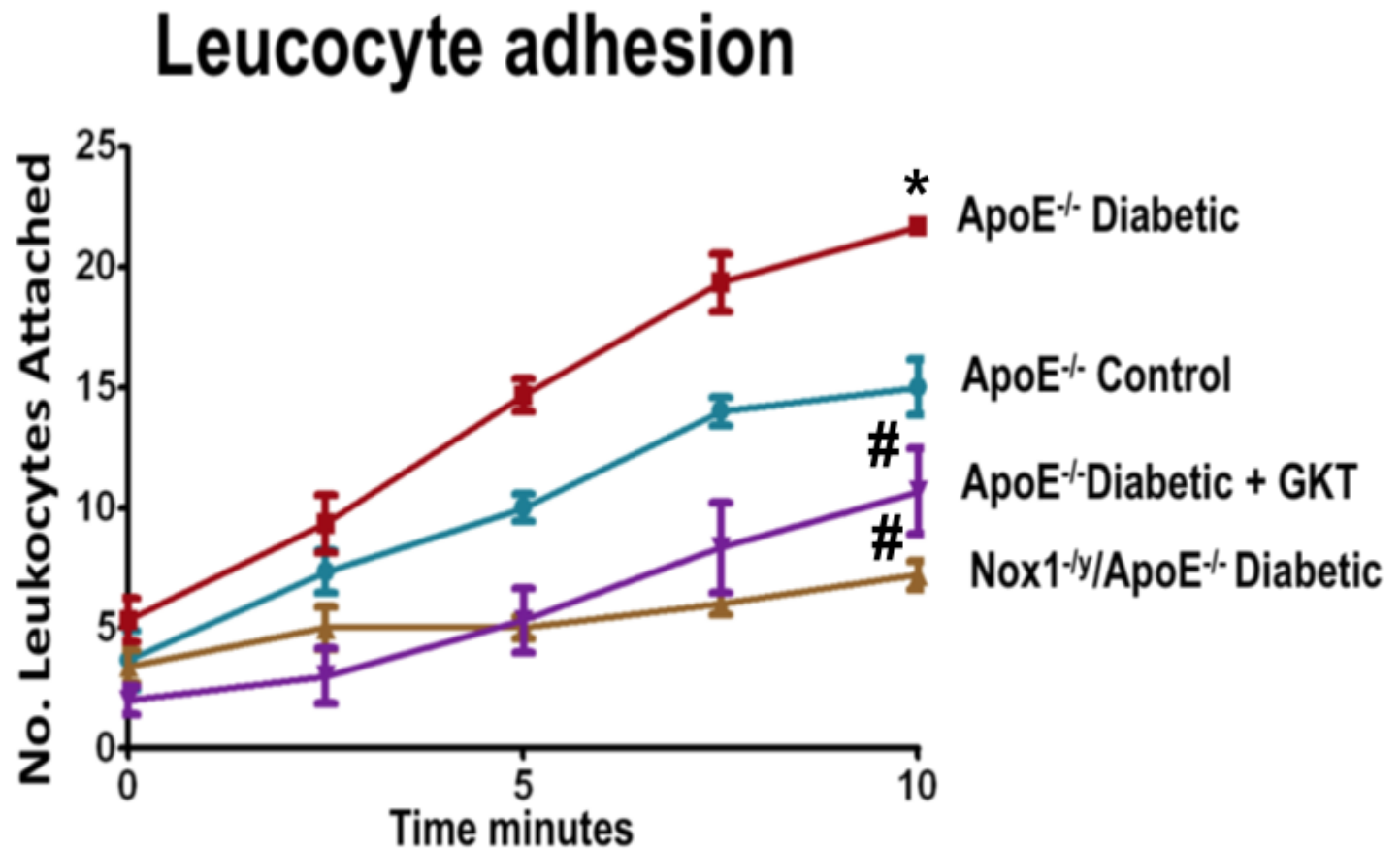


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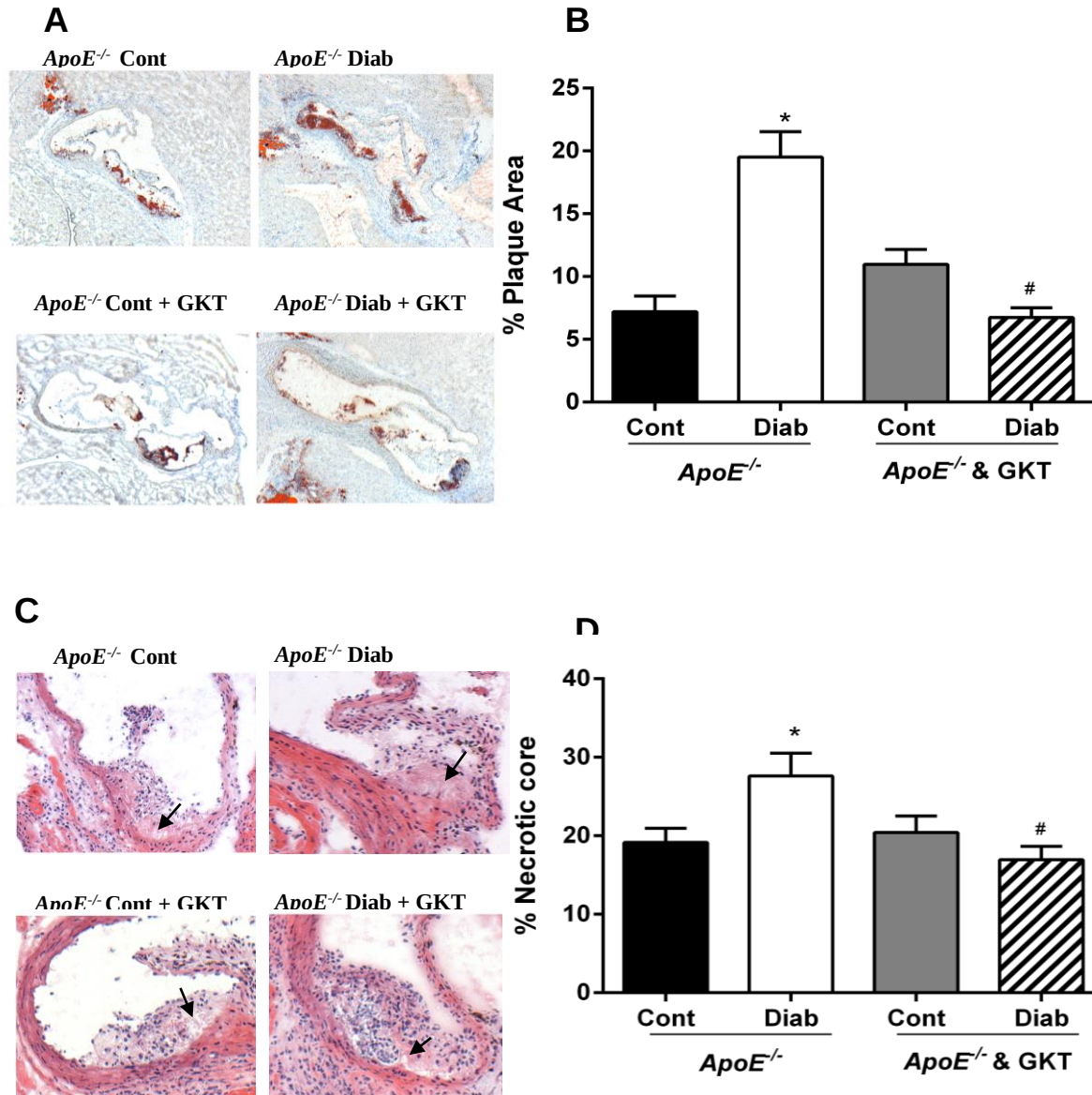


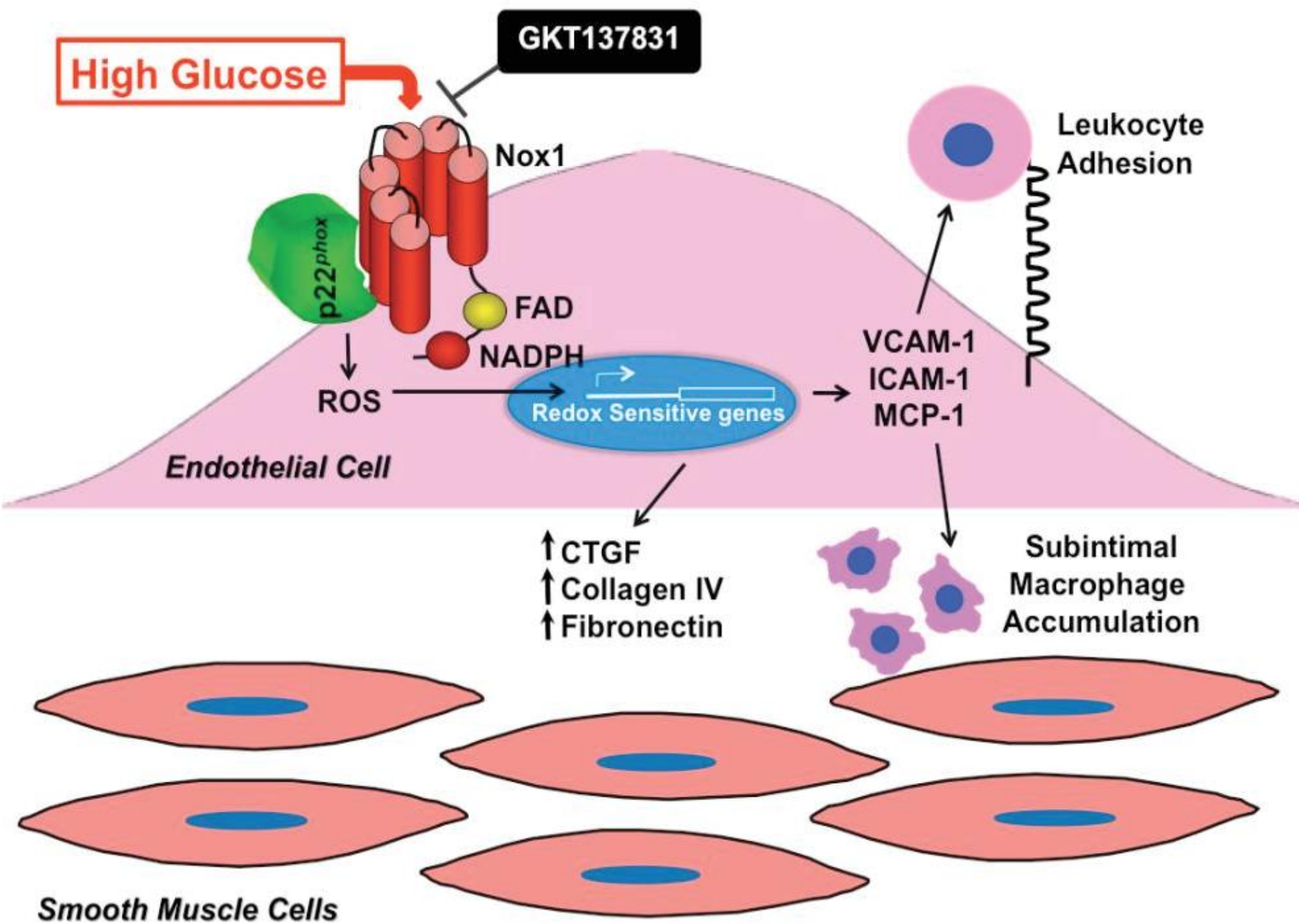
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Vascular Adhesion is reduced in Nox1 deleted mice and in *ApoE*^{-/-} mice treated with the Nox inhibitor GKT137831

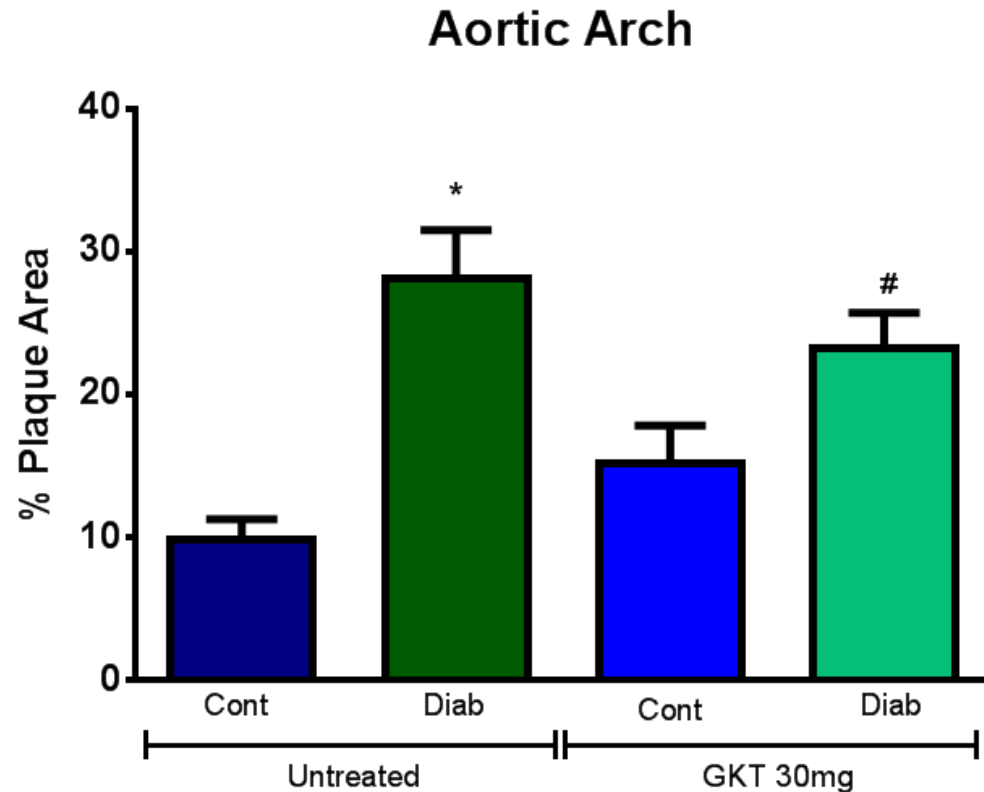


Nox inhibition improves plaque stability



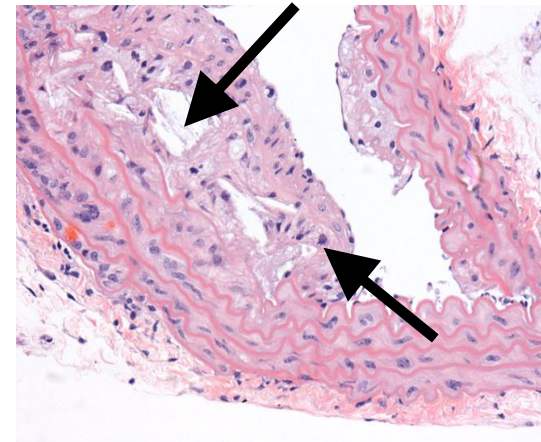
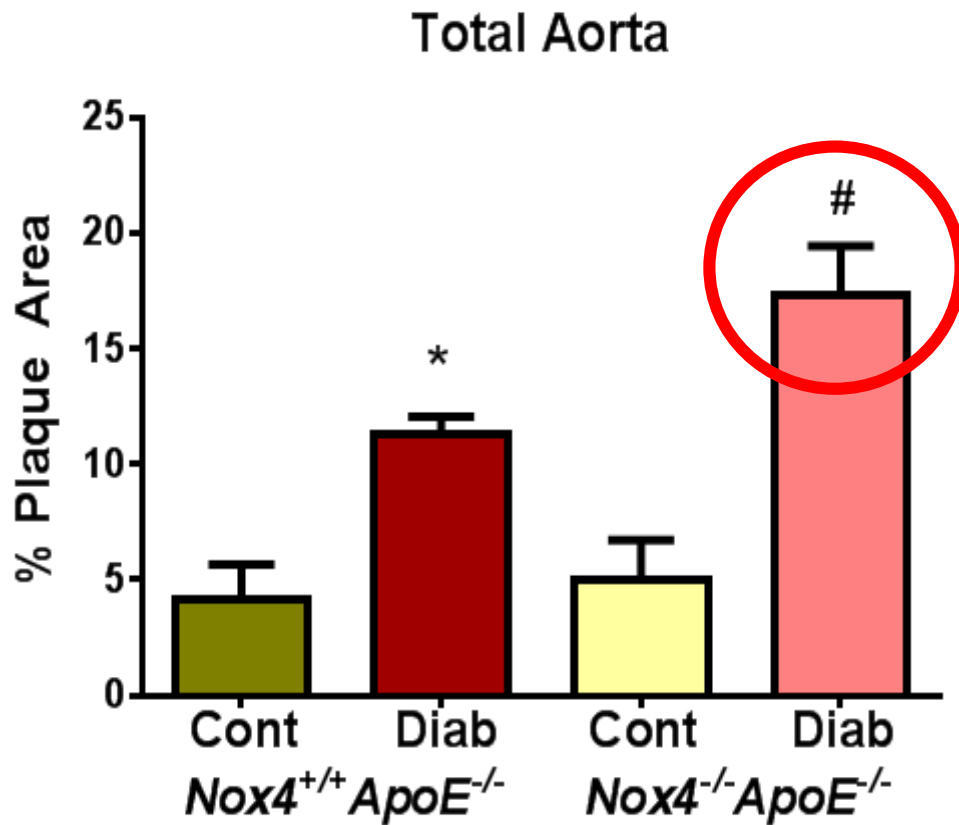


Nox inhibition in established atherosclerosis

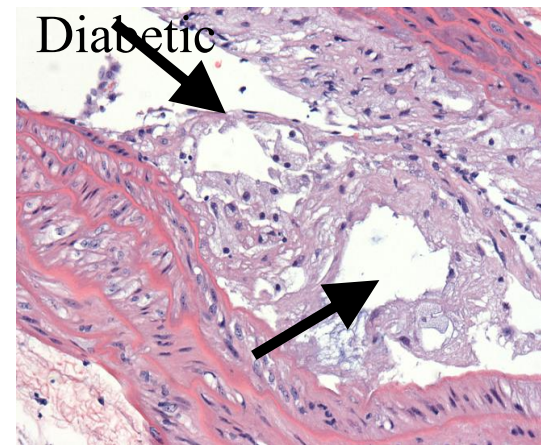


Stats - * $P < 0.05$ v Untreated Control. # $P < 0.05$ v Untreated Diabetic

However, in longterm diabetes, deletion of Nox4 accelerates atherosclerosis



$Nox4^{+/+} ApoE^{-/-}$



$Nox4^{-/-} ApoE^{-/-}$

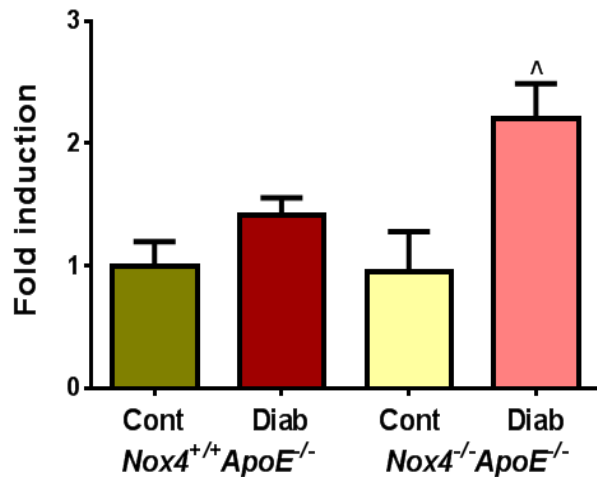
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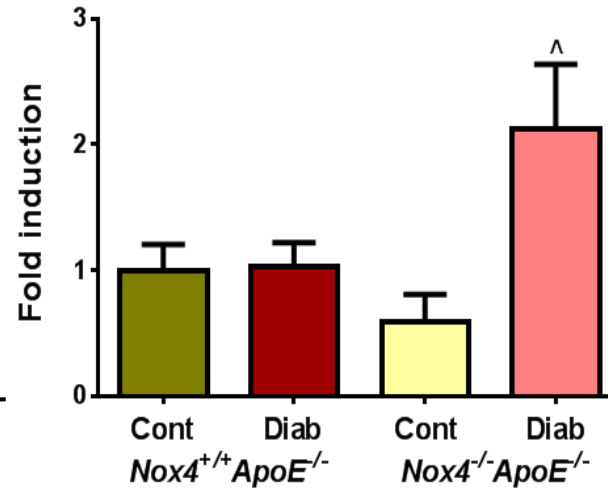
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Increased aortic expression of pro-inflammatory and chemotaxis markers

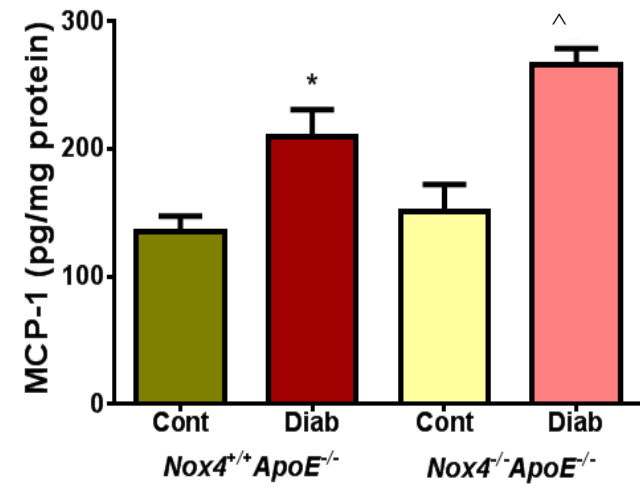
TNF α mRNA



IL1 β mRNA



MCP-1 Protein



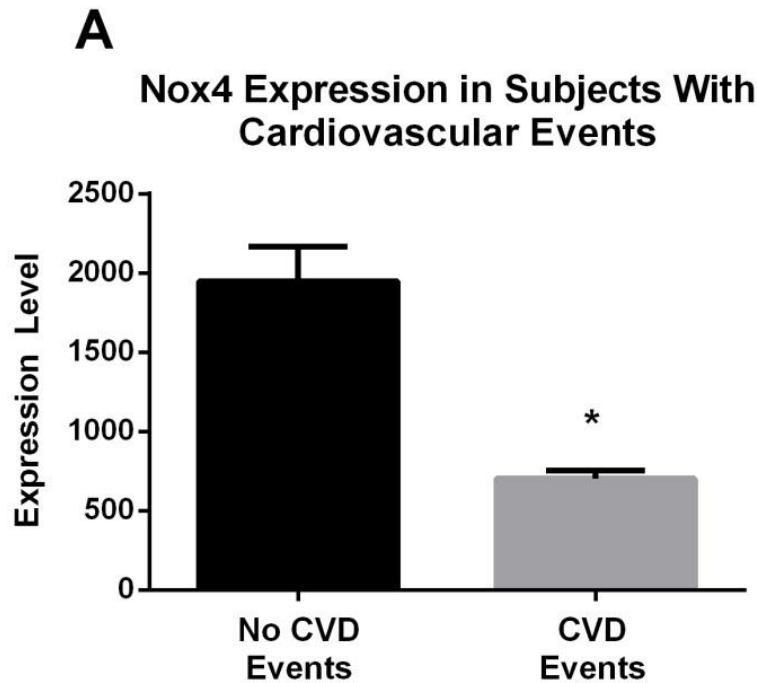
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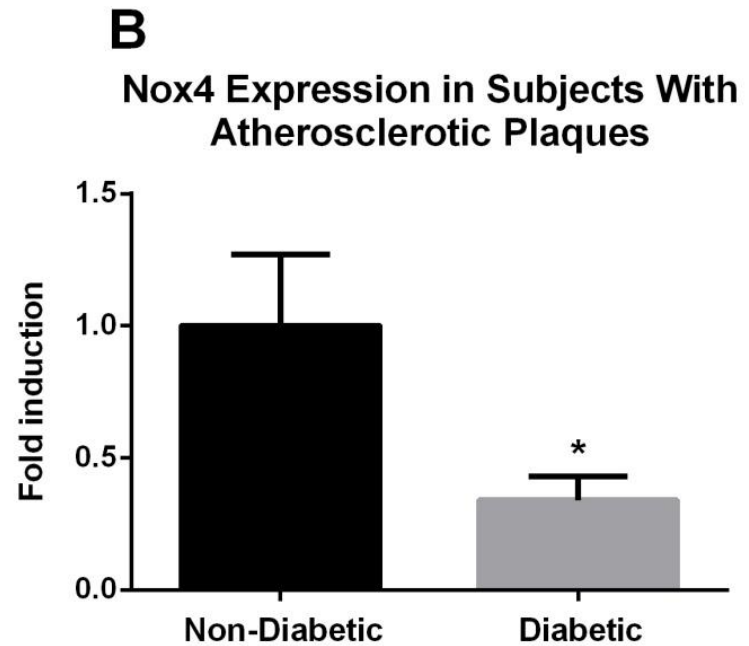
v WT Control, ^ v WT Diabetic.

Nox 4 is reduced in advanced plaques in *patients*

NOX4



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Nox4 deletion mediates a phenotypic switch in VSMCs

Contractile



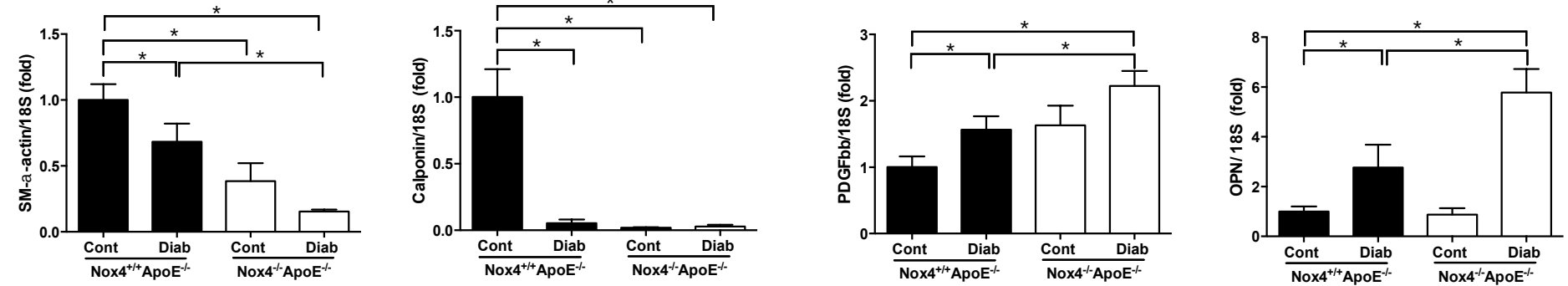
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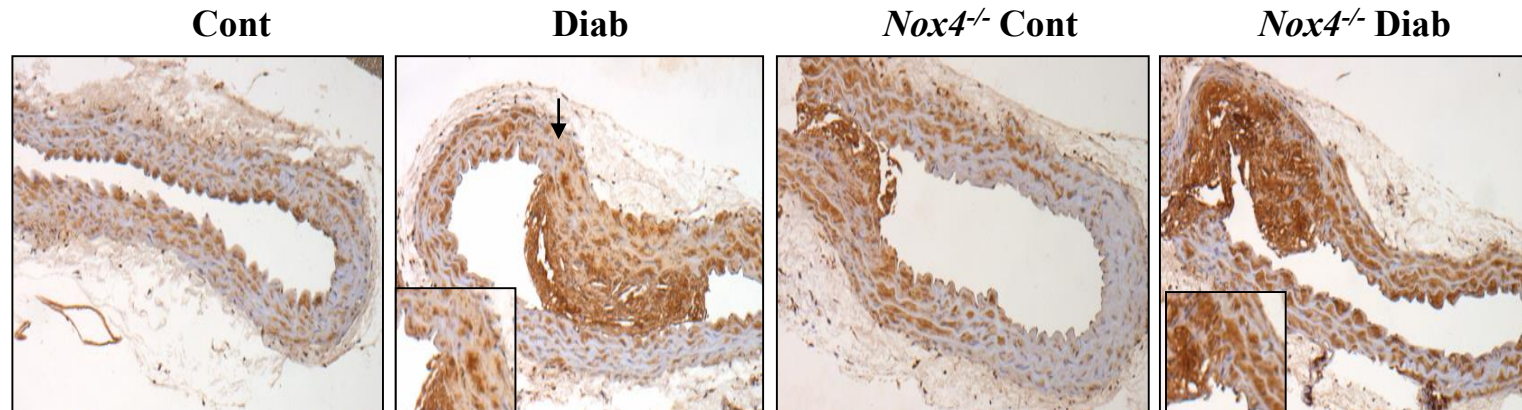
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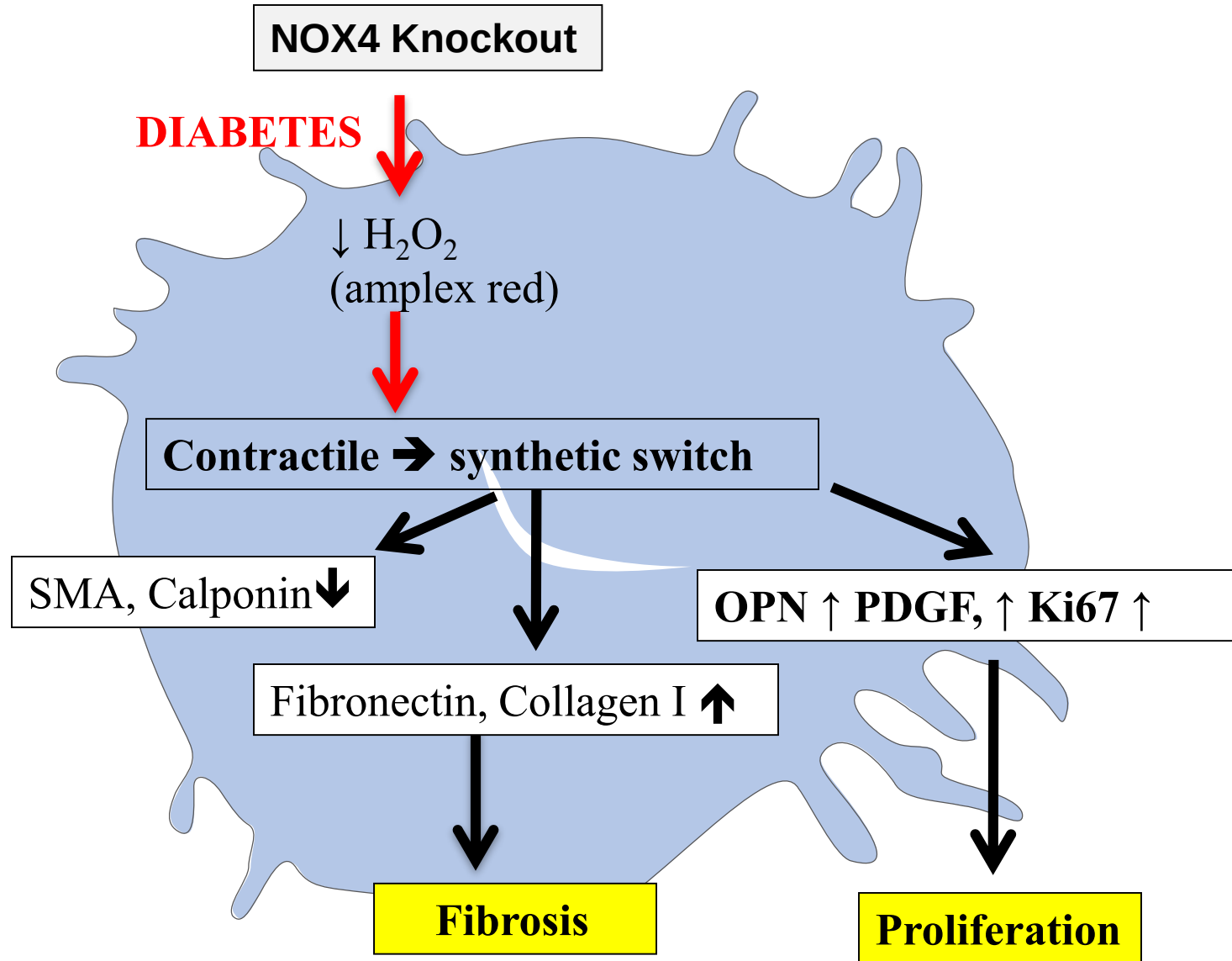
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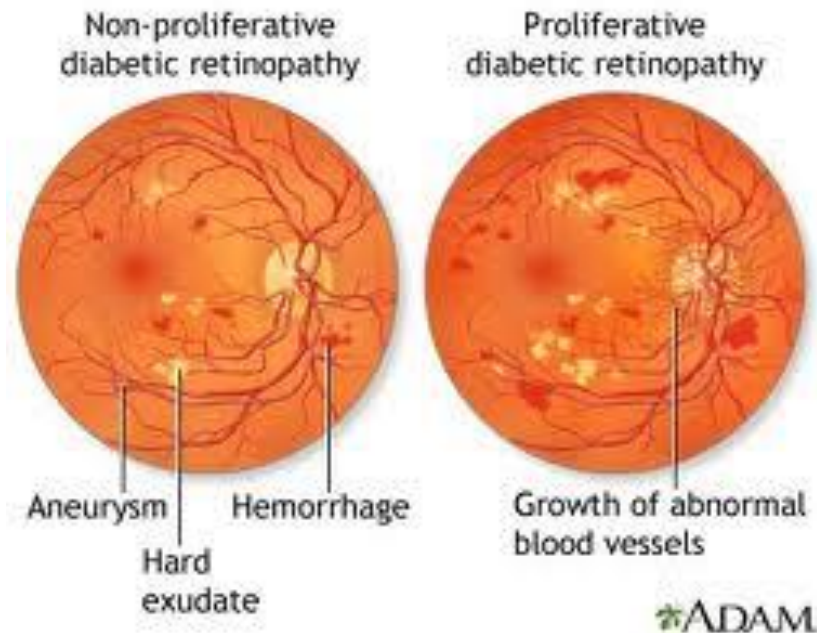


Vascular smooth muscle cell

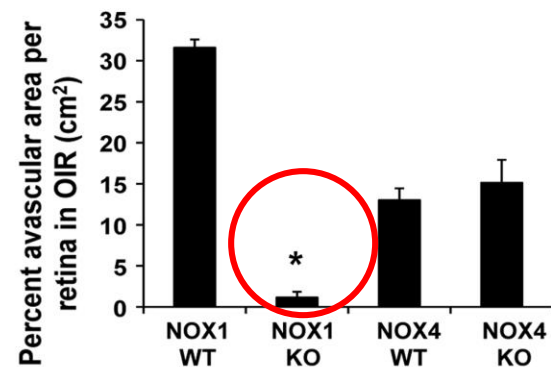
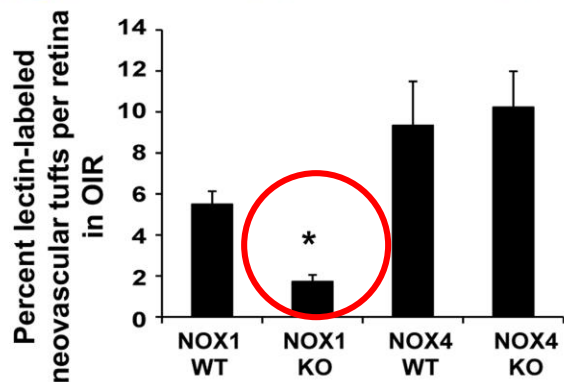
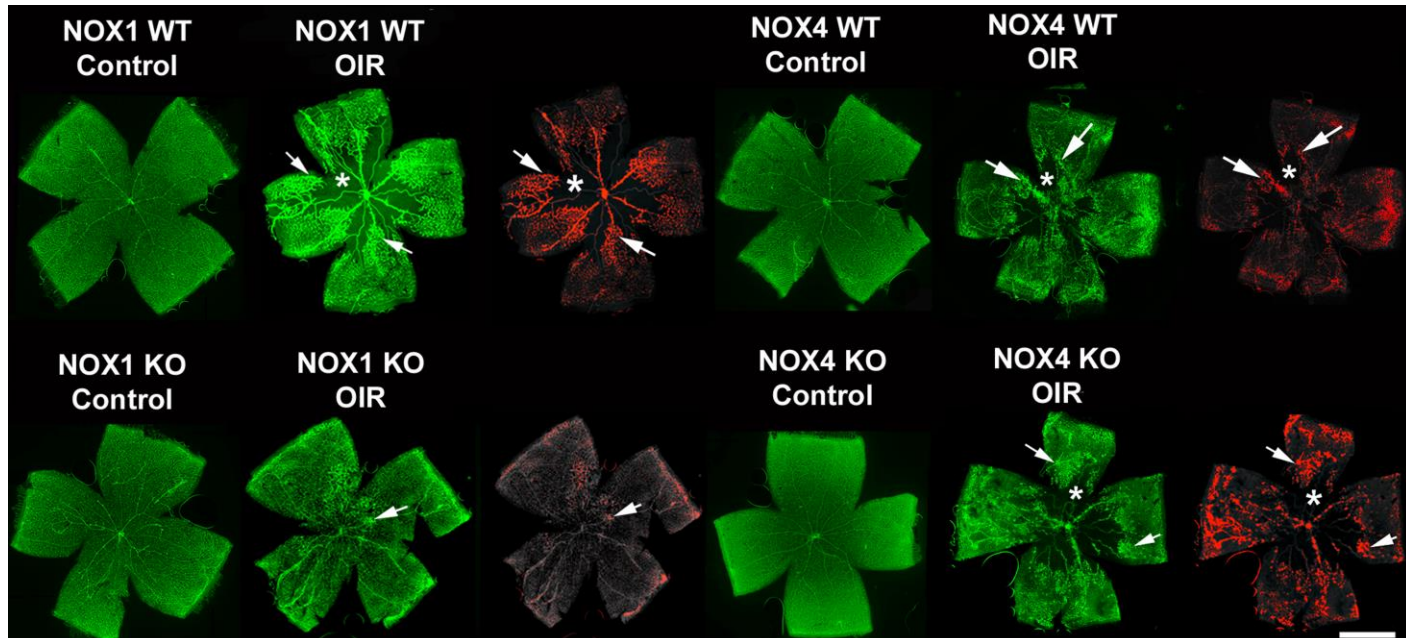


Retinopathy

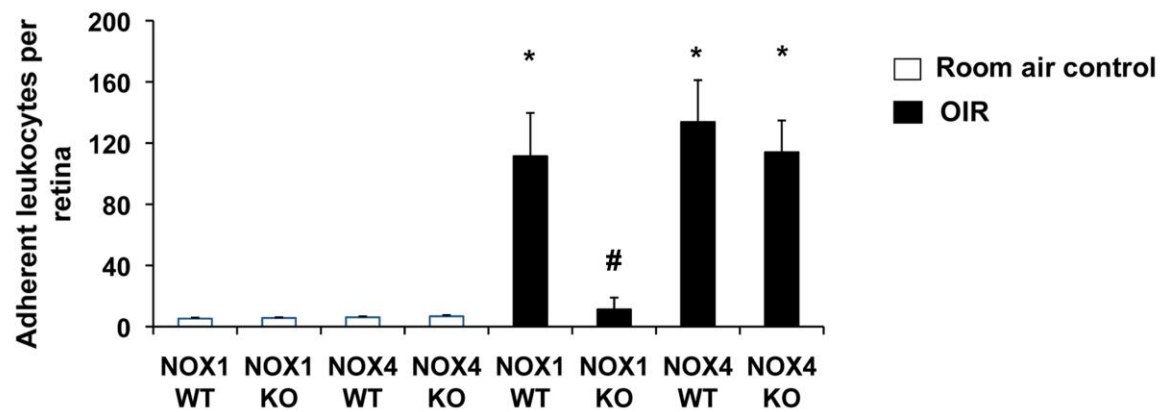
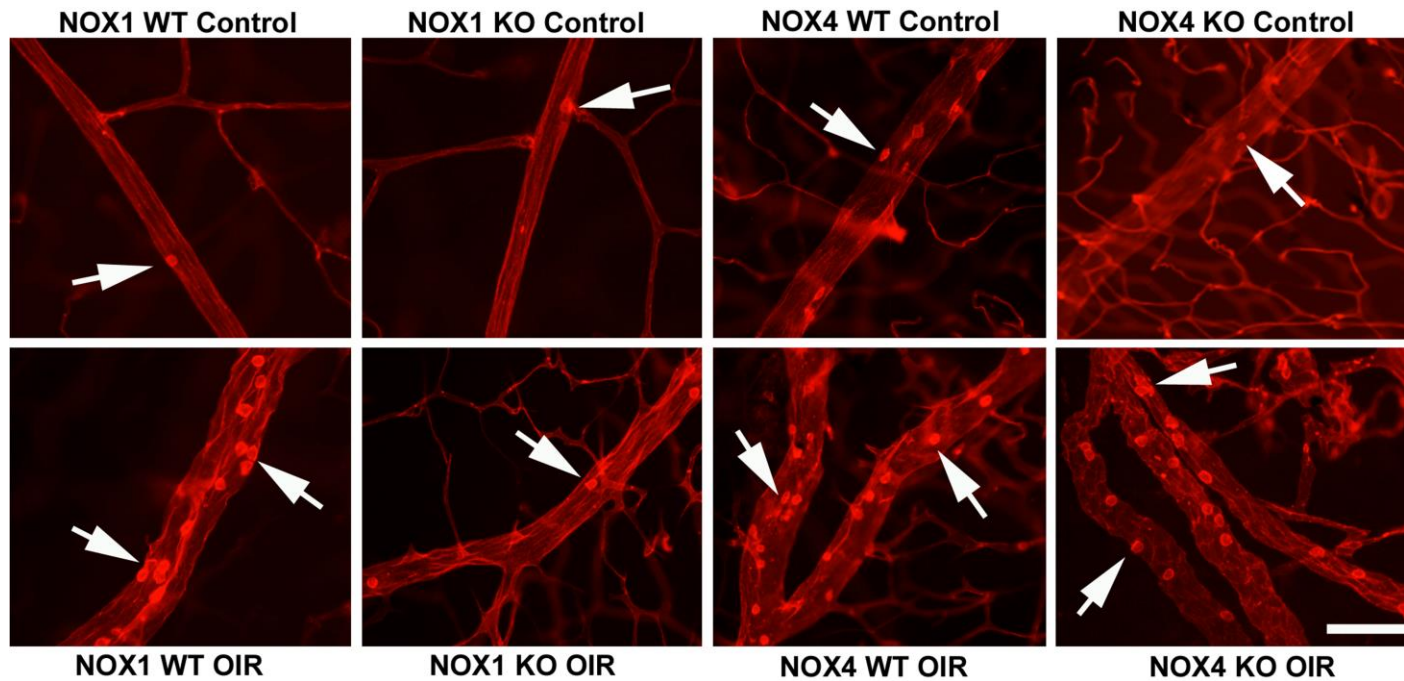
**Almost everyone with type 1 diabetes and
60% of those with type 2 diabetes
will develop some form of diabetic eye disease
within 20 years of diagnosis**



Deficiency in Nox1 reduces neovascularization in ischemic retinopathy

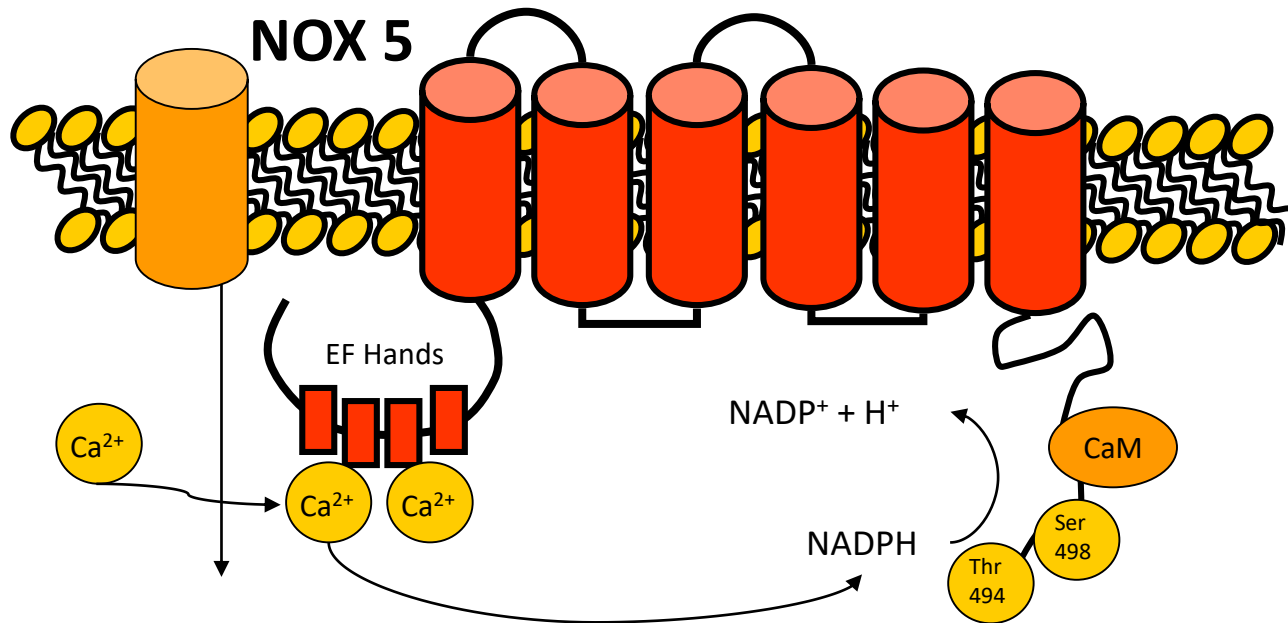


Leucocyte adhesion

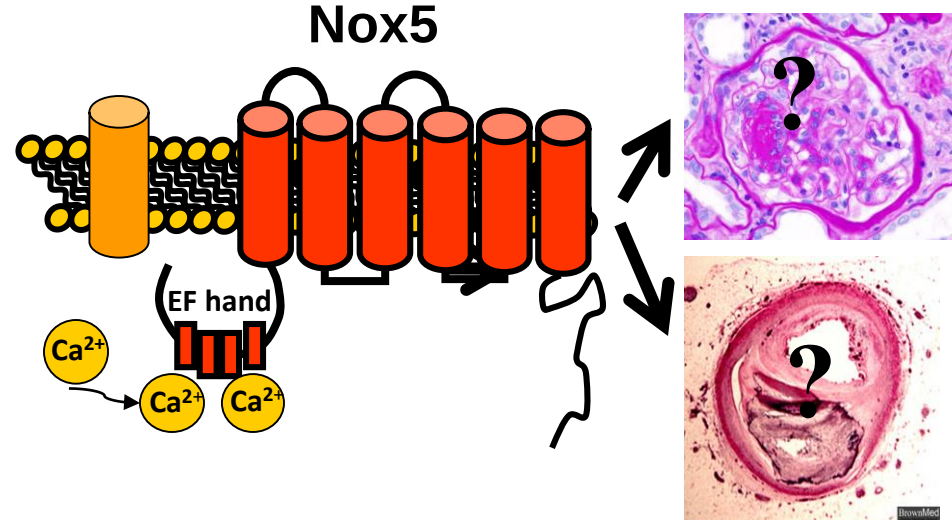
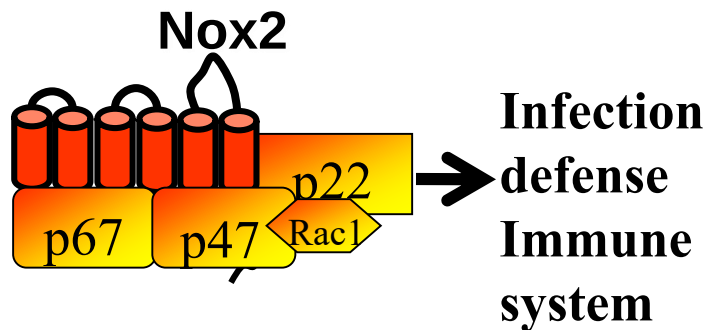
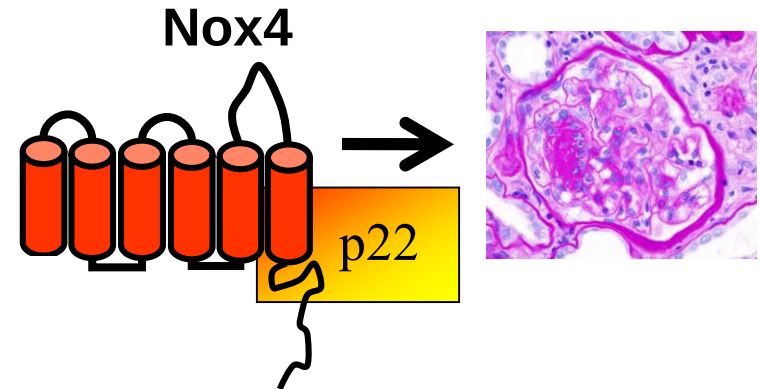
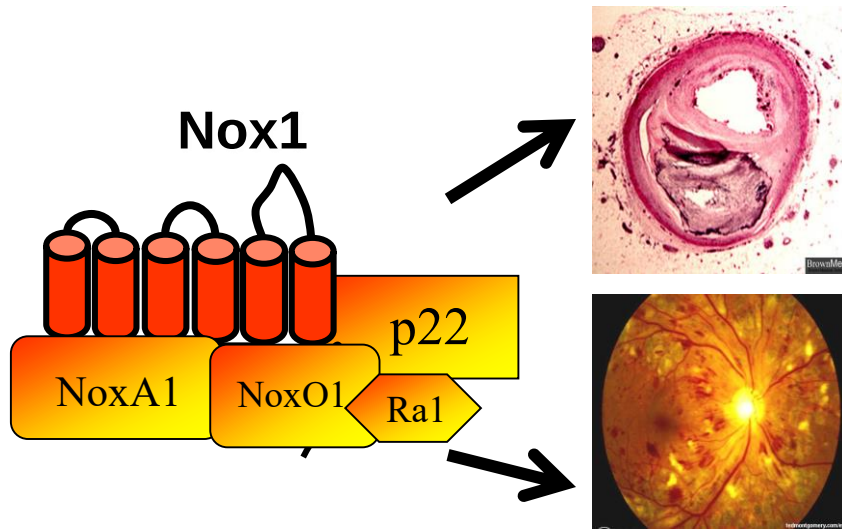


The human isoform: Nox5

- Nox5 gene is absent in rodents
- Nox5 does not require NADPH oxidase subunits
- Nox5 is Calcium-sensitive



Summary



GKT137831 ~~Nox~~^{1/4} $\rightarrow$ **Atherosclerosis** $\downarrow$, **Nephro- & Retinopathy** $\downarrow$

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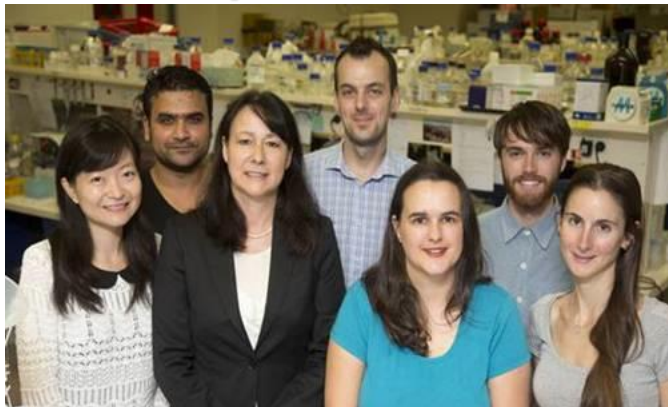
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