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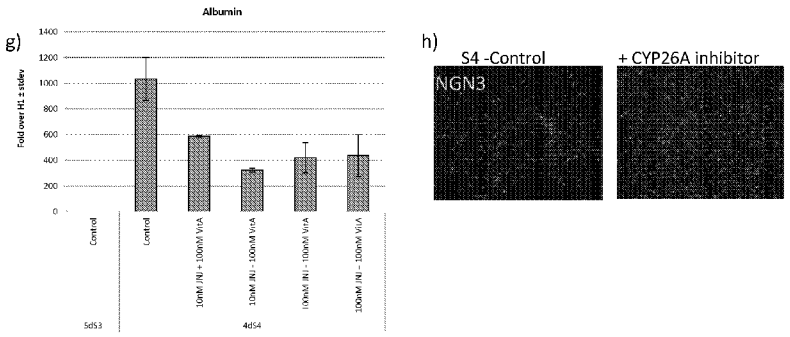
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Figure 1



(57) Abstract: The present invention provides methods to promote the differentiation of pluripotent stem cells into insulin producing cells. In particular, the present invention provides a method utilizing an agent that degrades retinoic acid to produce a population of pancreatic endocrine precursor cells.

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