

Supplemental Tables and Figures for Martin et al.

Supplementary Table S1. Percentage of mice that unexpectedly died following systemic administration of β -blockers. All doses are in mg/kg.

Drug (%)	Dose (mg/kg)	Mortality Ratio	Percentage
Propranolol	10	0/5	0.0
	30	0/5	0.0
	60	2/7	28.6
(S)-(-)-Propranolol	10	0/5	0.0
	30	0/5	0.0
	60	0/5	0.0
(R)-(+)-Propranolol	10	0/5	0.0
	30	1/6	16.6
	60	3/8	37.5
Bupranolol	60	0/5	0.0
	90	0/4	0.0
	120	0/5	0.0
(S)-(-)-Bupranolol	60	0/4	0.0
	90	0/4	0.0
	120	0/5	0.0
(R)-(+)-Bupranolol	60	0/4	0.0
	90	2/5	40.0
	120	4/4	100

Table S2. RMSD of propranolol and bupranolol enantiomers.

	$\beta 2$ -AR (RMSD in Å) [§]	$\beta 1$ -AR (RMSD in Å) [§]	$\beta 3$ -AR (RMSD in Å) [§]
R-propranolol	0.58	0.95	0.78
S-propranolol			
R-bupranolol	0.43	0.62	2.6 [*]
S-bupranolol			

[§]RMSD values are computed over the heavy atoms of R/S propranolol and R/S bupranolol docking solutions. ^{*}The higher RMSD value is due to the flipping of the aromatic moiety that causes the opposite orientation of the substituents on the ring without altering the hydrophobic interaction with F309^{6.52} in $\beta 3$ -AR binding site (Fig. S2).

Table S3. EC₅₀ and 95% confidence interval (CI) data for dose-response curves of isoproterenol for all three β -ARs (A), and the antagonistic effects (IC₅₀ and 95% CI) of the four inhibitors used at β 1 (B), β 2 (C), and β 3 (D) adrenergic receptors (ARs). Data correspond to Fig. 5 in the main text.

A. Isoproterenol DRC

Receptor	EC ₅₀ (mol/l)	95% CI
β 1-AR	1.5 E ⁻¹⁰	1.1 E ⁻¹⁰ – 2.0 E ⁻¹⁰
β 2-AR	9.7 E ⁻¹²	7.6 E ⁻¹² – 1.2 E ⁻¹¹
β 3-AR	1.5 E ⁻⁹	1.3 E ⁻⁹ – 1.8 E ⁻⁹

B. β 1-AR

Inhibitor	IC ₅₀ (mol/l)	95% CI
ICI 118,551	7.0 E ⁻⁷	4.8 E ⁻⁷ – 1.0 E ⁻⁶
Propranolol	1.1 E ⁻⁸	8.5 E ⁻⁹ – 1.6 E ⁻⁸
(S)-bupranolol	8.0 E ⁻⁹	5.7 E ⁻⁸ – 1.1 E ⁻⁸
(R)-bupranolol	2.6 E ⁻⁷	1.7 E ⁻⁷ – 4.1 E ⁻⁷

C. β 2-AR

Inhibitor	IC ₅₀ (mol/l)	95% CI
ICI 118,551	1.7 E ⁻⁸	1.0 E ⁻⁸ – 2.8 E ⁻⁸
Propranolol	1.6 E ⁻⁸	1.1 E ⁻⁸ – 2.2 E ⁻⁸
(S)-bupranolol	6.7 E ⁻⁹	5.5 E ⁻⁹ – 8.1 E ⁻⁹
(R)-bupranolol	2.9 E ⁻⁸	2.3 E ⁻⁸ – 3.7 E ⁻⁸

D. β 3-AR

Inhibitor	IC ₅₀ mol/l)	95% CI
ICI 118,551	1.3 E ⁻⁶	3.2 E ⁻¹¹ – 5.4 E ⁻²
Propranolol	5.5 E ⁻³	0.0 E ⁰ – 2.2 E ³⁴
(S)-bupranolol	1.1 E ⁻⁷	7.8 E ⁻⁸ – 1.5 E ⁻⁷
(R)-bupranolol	---	---

Table S4. pA_2 , slope and r^2 values for the different inhibitors at β_1 , β_2 , and β_3 adrenergic receptors (ARs). 95% confidence intervals are in parentheses.

pA_2 (95 % CI)	β_1-AR	β_2-AR	β_3-AR
ICI 118,551	6.7 (6.4 – 7.3)	8.3 (7.6 – 8.7)	5.5 (5.5 – 6.0)
Propranolol	8.7 (6.2 – 9.5)	8.6 (8.4 – 8.9)	7.4 (6.7 – 8.3)
R-bupranolol	7.3 (6.9 – 7.8)	8.7 (8.3 – 9.4)	5.9 (5.4 – 6.5)
S-bupranolol	8.7 (8.4 – 9.2)	8.7 (8.4 – 9.0)	7.1 (6.7 – 7.8)
Slope	β_1-AR	β_2-AR	β_3-AR
ICI 118,551	- 1.3 \pm 0.2 (-1.7 to -0.9)	- 2.2 \pm 0.3 (-2.8 to -1.7)	- 1.7 \pm 0.1 (-2.0 to -1.4)
Propranolol	- 1.1 \pm 0.2 (-1.5 to -0.8)	- 1.9 \pm 0.1 (-2.2 to -1.7)	- 0.8 \pm 0.1 (-1.0 to -0.5)
R-bupranolol	- 1.0 \pm 0.1 (-1.2 to -0.7)	- 1.2 \pm 0.2 (-1.6 to -0.9)	- 0.8 \pm 0.1 (-1.1 to -0.6)
S-bupranolol	- 1.2 \pm 0.1 (-1.4 to -0.9)	- 2.8 \pm 0.3 (-3.3 to -2.2)	- 1.1 \pm 0.1 (-1.4 to -0.8)
r^2	β_1-AR	β_2-AR	β_3-AR
ICI 118,551	0.72	0.73	0.88
Propranolol	0.59	0.87	0.59
R-bupranolol	0.76	0.68	0.61
S-bupranolol	0.80	0.79	0.63

Supplemental Figures

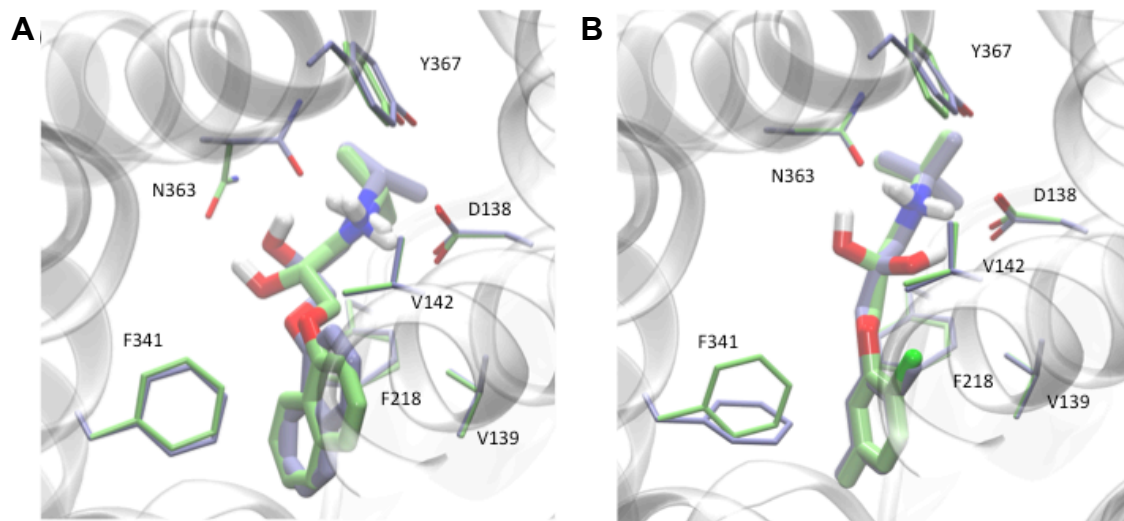


Fig. S1. R/S propranolol and bupranolol docking solutions in β_1 -AR binding site. (A) Zoomed view of R- and S-propranolol and of (B) R- and S- bupranolol. The structure of β_1 -AR is shown in grey cartoon; carbon atoms are represented in green and blue for R and S enantiomers, respectively. The same color code is adopted to indicate the side chains of β_1 -AR amino acids when in complex with the two enantiomers.

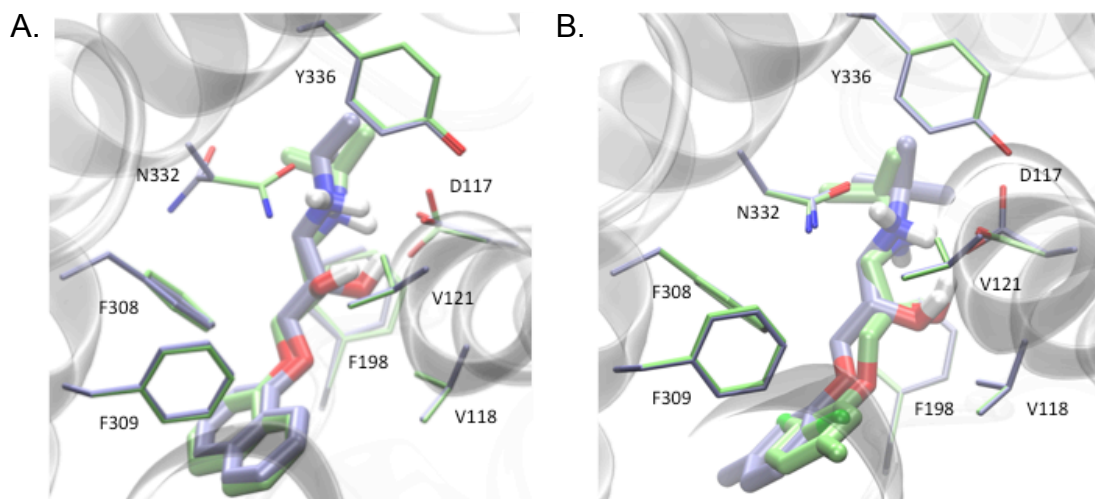


Fig. S2. R/S propranolol and bupranolol docking solutions in β_3 -AR binding site. **(a)** Zoomed view of R- and S-propranolol and of **(b)** R- and S- bupranolol. The structure of β_3 -AR is shown in grey cartoon; carbon atoms are represented in green and blue for R and S enantiomers, respectively. The same color code is adopted to indicate the side chains of β_3 -AR amino acids when in complex with the two enantiomers.

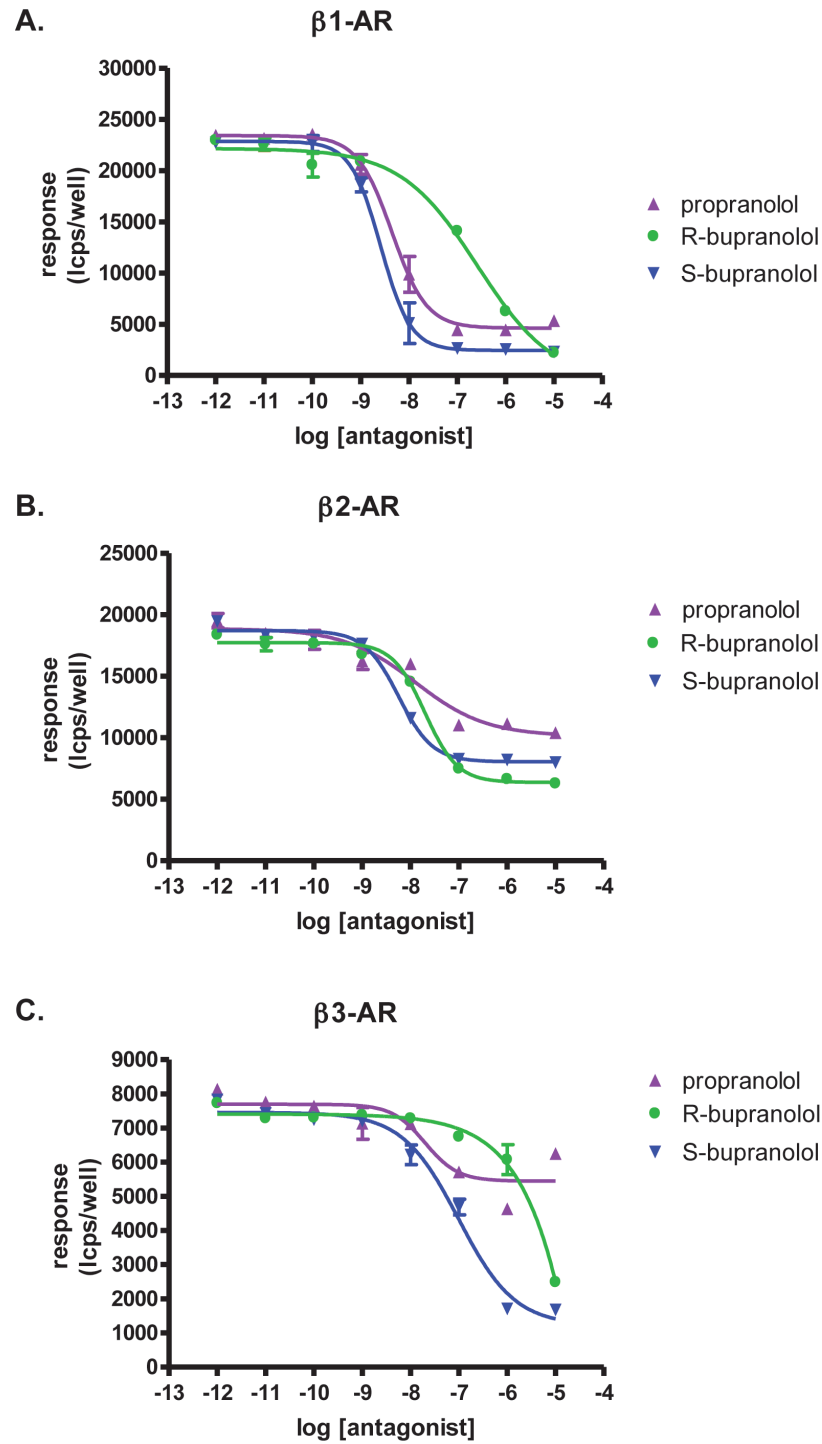


Fig. S3. Examples of raw data representative of dose-response curves of antagonists in cells expressing A) $\beta 1$ -AR ($n=3$), B) $\beta 2$ -AR ($n=3$) or C) $\beta 3$ -AR ($n=4$).

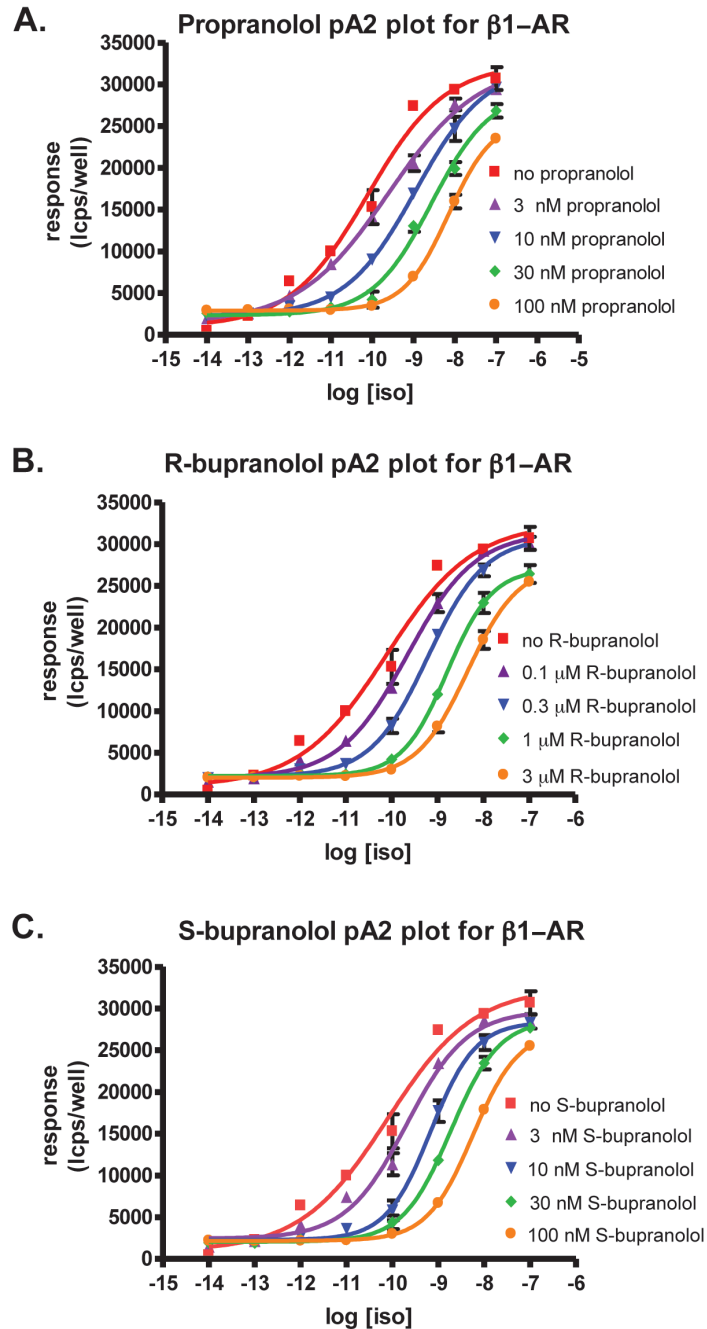


Fig. S4. β_1 -AR Schild plots with absolute values for pA₂ calculations. Dose-response curves of isoproterenol were generated and EC₅₀-values determined after treatment with various concentrations of A) propranolol, B) R-bupranolol or C) S-bupranolol.

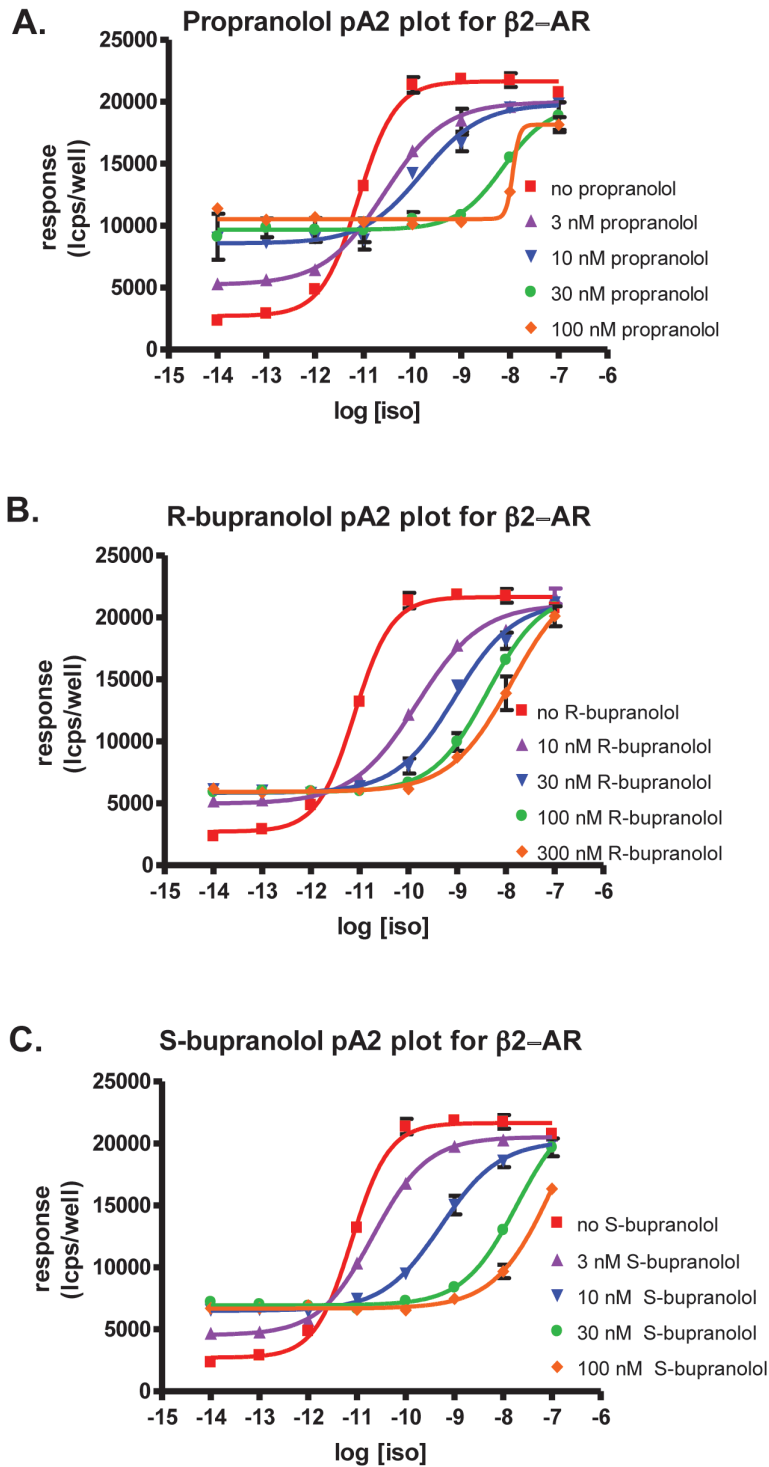


Fig. S5. β 2-AR Schild plots with absolute values for pA₂ calculations. Dose-response curves of isoproterenol were generated and EC₅₀-values determined after treatment with various concentrations of A) propranolol, B) R-bupranolol or C) S-bupranolol.

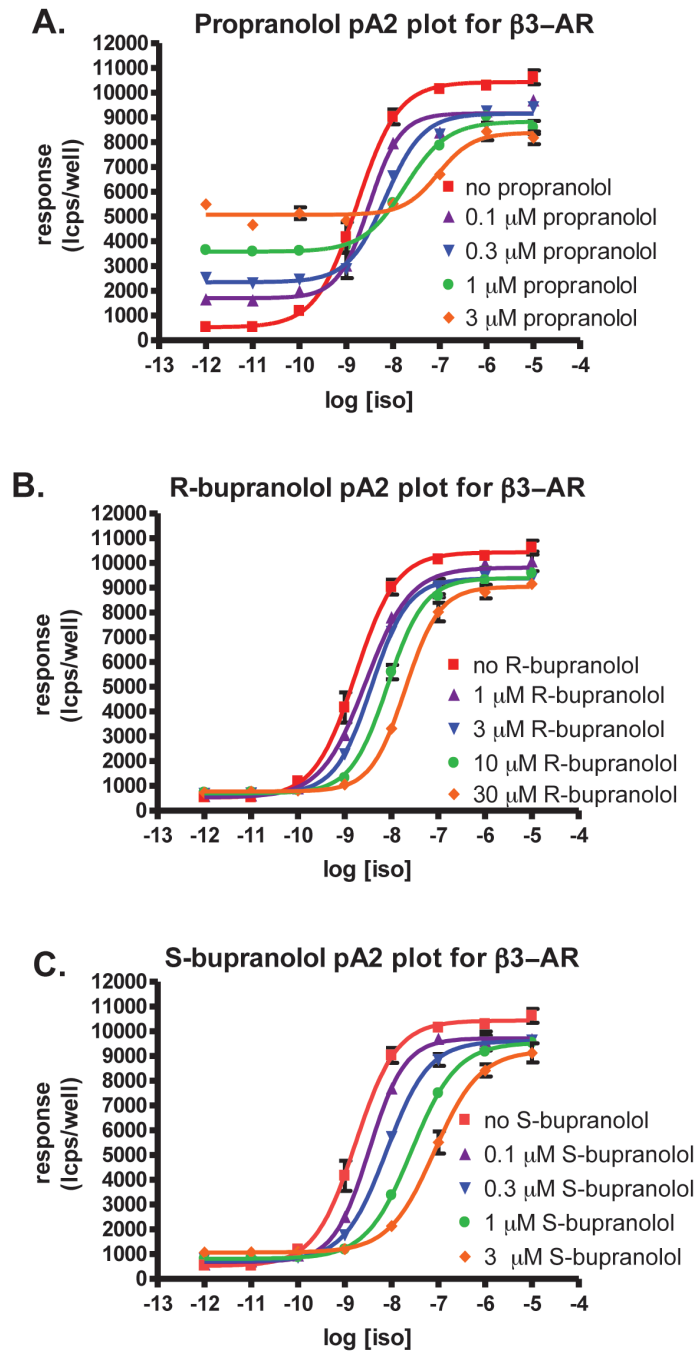


Fig. S6. β_3 -AR Schild plots with absolute values for pA₂ calculations. Dose-response curves of isoproterenol were generated and EC₅₀-values determined after treatment with various concentrations of A) propranolol, B) R-bupranolol or C) S-bupranolol.

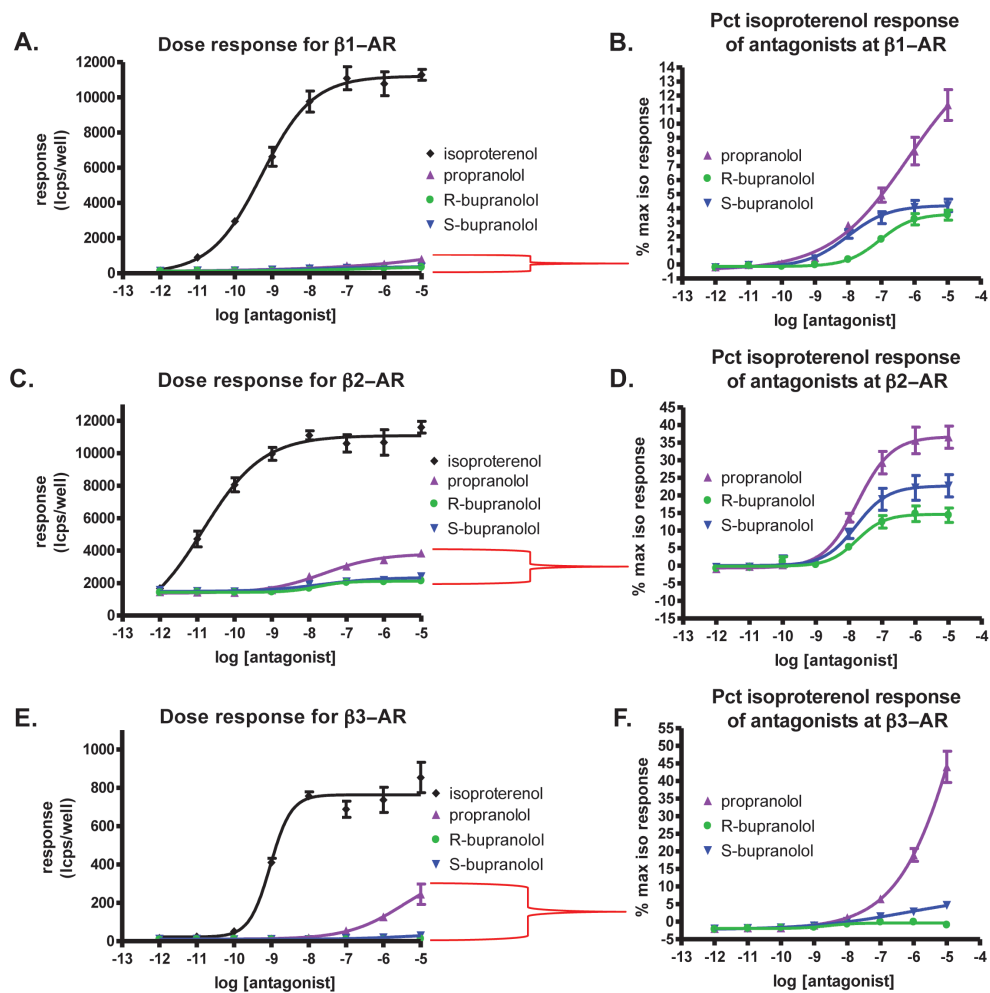


Fig. S7. Comparison of intrinsic sympathomimetic activities of antagonists ($n=13$) relative to isoproterenol ($n=7$) response.