

Hypothalamus

+ GHRH -GHIH

+TRH -GHIH

+ GnRH

+ PRH -PIH

+ CRH - Dopamine



Anterior Pituitary	Somatotrophs	Thyrotrophs	Gonadotrophs	Lactotrophs	Corticotrophs
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hGH

TSH

LH

FSH

PRL

ACTH



Liver, muscle, bone
Cartilage, other cells

Thyroid
follicular cells

F: Ovary
graafian follicle
M: Testis
Leydig cells

F: Ovary
Primordial follicle
M: Testis
sertoli cells

Mammary Glands
Alveoli

Adrenal Cortex
zona glomerulosa ?
Zona fasciculata



Causes secretion
of insulinlike growth
factor

Causes secretion
of T3 and T4

F: Ovulation
Formation of
corpus luteum
M: secretion of
DHT

F: development
of 2nd oocyte
M: secretion of
ABP and sperm-
atogenesis

milk production
by breast prepared
by progesterone and
hCS

secretion of
glucocorticoids

**Insulin-like
growth factor**



Growth of body cells, protein synthesis, tissue repair, and increase in blood glucose

T3 and T4



controls BMR, proteins synthesis, glucose use, ATP production, lipolysis, accelerates growth

**F: progesterone and estrogen
M: Testosterone and DHT**



F: estrogen: 2nd female sex characteristics, increases protein anabolism, lowers blood cholesterol, inhibits GnRH, FSH, LH
F: progesterone synergistic with estrogen to prepare endometrium for implantation, prepares mammary gland for milk production, inhibits GnRH and LH
M: Controls male pattern of development, enlargement of penis and expression of 2nd sex characteristics, protein anabolism

glucococorticoids



control protein catabolism, Glucose synthesis, lipolysis, increases resistance to stress, anti-inflammatory, in high levels causes depression of the immune responses.