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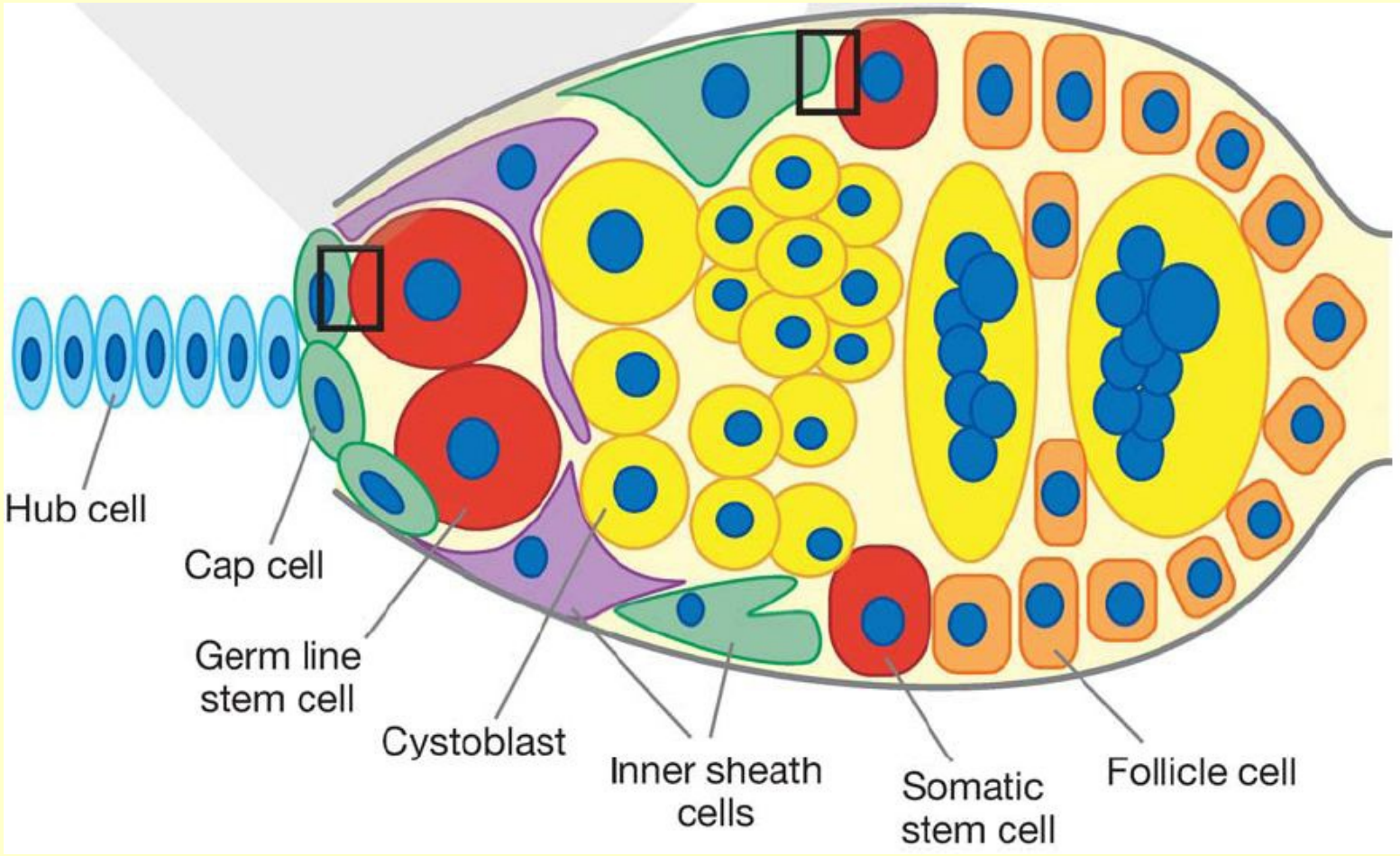

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Causal Mutation Homework Assignment

Most of the SNP variations associated with diseases in genome-wide association studies do not cause the disease, but instead, these SNPs serve as genetic markers that are linked to genes which are involved in the disease. Ongoing research is attempting to sequence these genes in patients and in controls to find the actual variations in these genes that do in fact, cause the disease.

For this assignment I would like you to choose a simple Mendelian inherited disease other than those mentioned in class (Huntingtons, diabetes, Parkinsons, cystic fibrosis, sickle cell, etc.) and describe what is known about the genetic variations that cause that disease.

You may search OMIM, dbSNP, dbVAR, HGMD, HGVS, ClinVar, SwissVar and other database of genome variations that are associated with specific diseases to find an example of the kinds of mutations associated with the disease. Please describe how each of these variations cause the disease.

Is it by:

1) mutating the coding region of the protein

2) altering the gene expression by affecting the promoter

3) altering gene expression by affecting a transcription factor binding site

4) altering gene expression indirectly by mutating a transcription factor itself

5) altering copy number, hence changing gene expression levels

6) altering other regulatory sites (miRNA targets)

7) altering splice signals

etc.

Often there will be several types of mutations that can cause the disease. Please comment on all types that are known for your chosen disease.

HumBio 157
The Biology of Stem Cells

HUMBIO 157: The Biology of Stem Cells (DBIO 257)

The role of stem cells in human development and potential for treating disease. Guest lectures by biologists, ethicists, and legal scholars. Prerequisites: HumBio 2A and 3A, or the equivalent in the BioCore in Biological Sciences.

Terms: Spr | Units: 3 | UG Reqs: WAY-SMA | Grading: Letter or Credit/No Credit

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Schedule for HUMBIO 157

2014-2015 Spring

HUMBIO 157 | 3 units | UG Reqs: WAY-SMA | Class # 20511 | Section 01 | Grading: Letter or Credit/No Credit | LEC | Students enrolled: 28

03/30/2015 - 06/03/2015 Tue, Thu 2:15 PM - 3:45 PM at Econ 140 with Fuller, M. (PI); Nusse, R. (PI)

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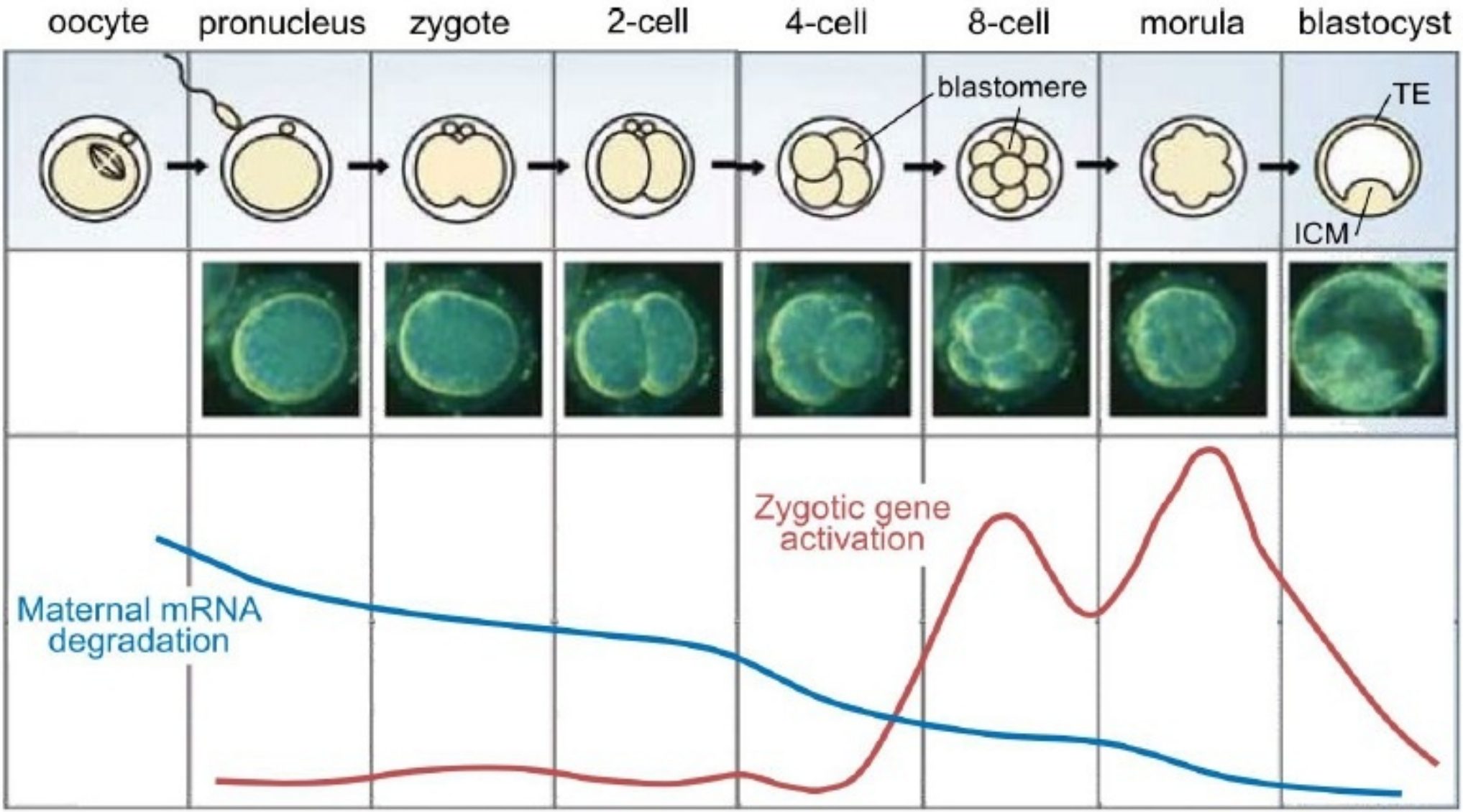
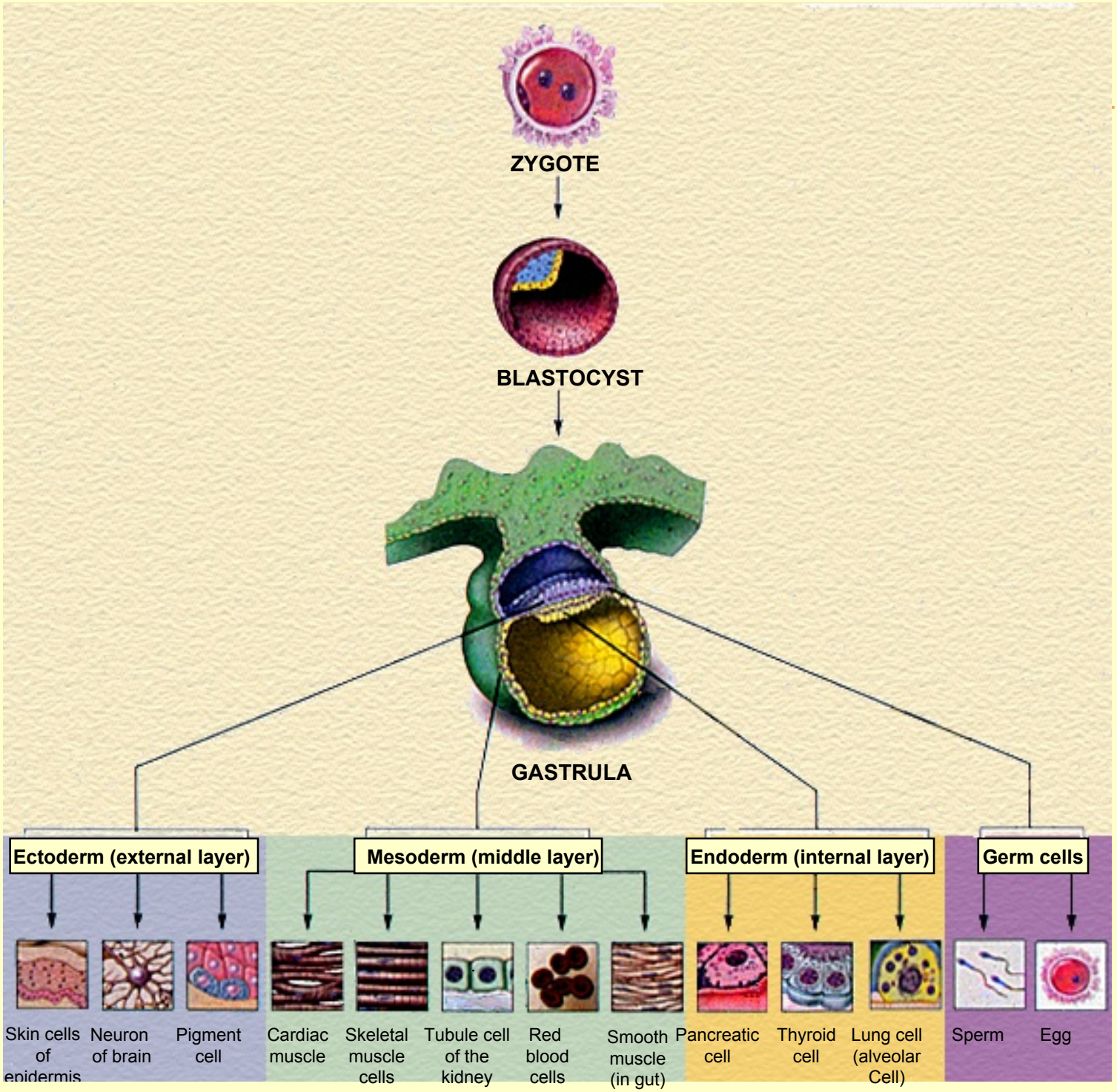
Early Embryo Development



Wong et al. 2010 Nat. Biotech. 28; 115-1121

Differentiation of Human Tissues



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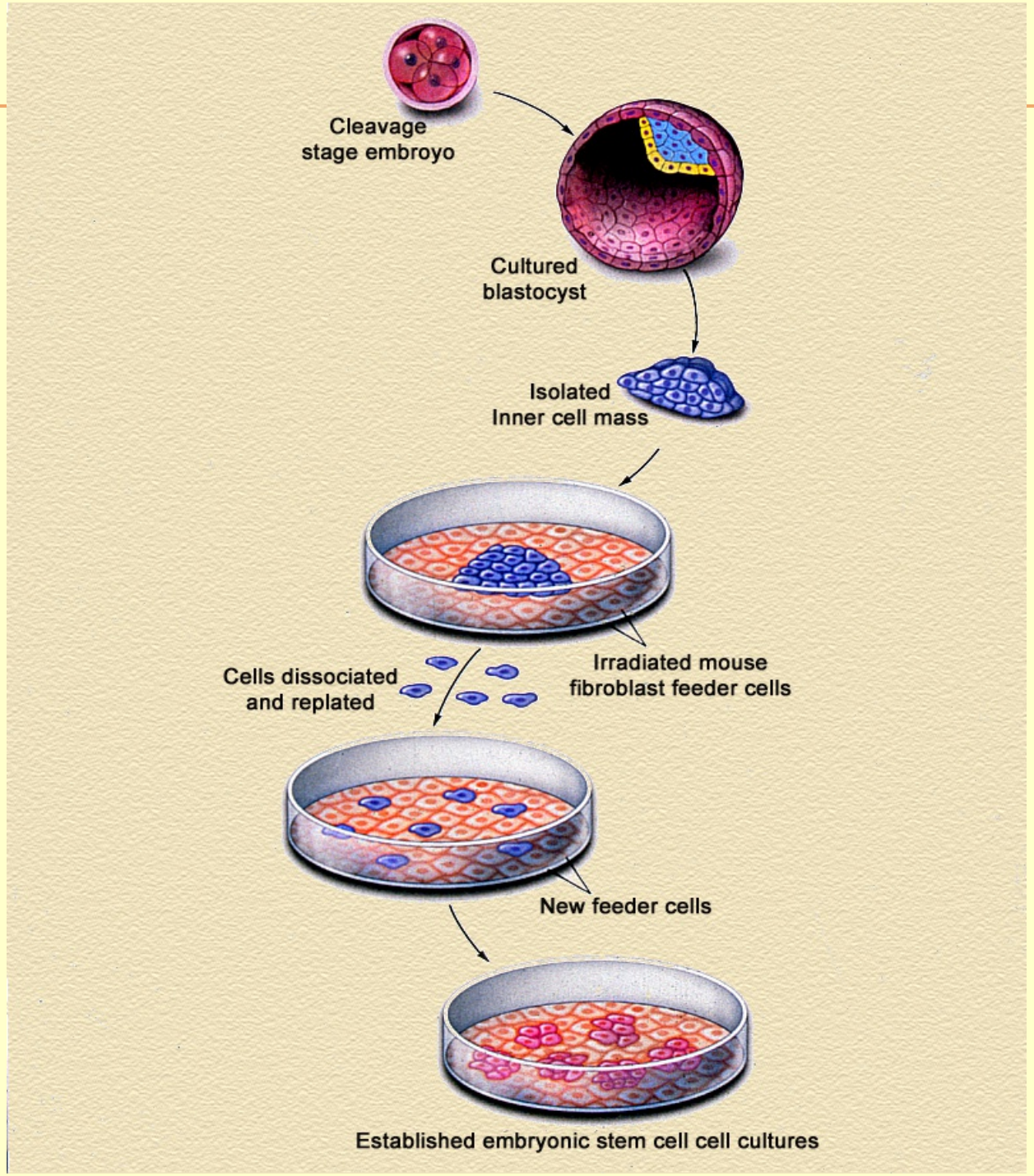
Embryonic Stem Cell Cultures



Thomson et al, Science (1998) 282, 1145-1147

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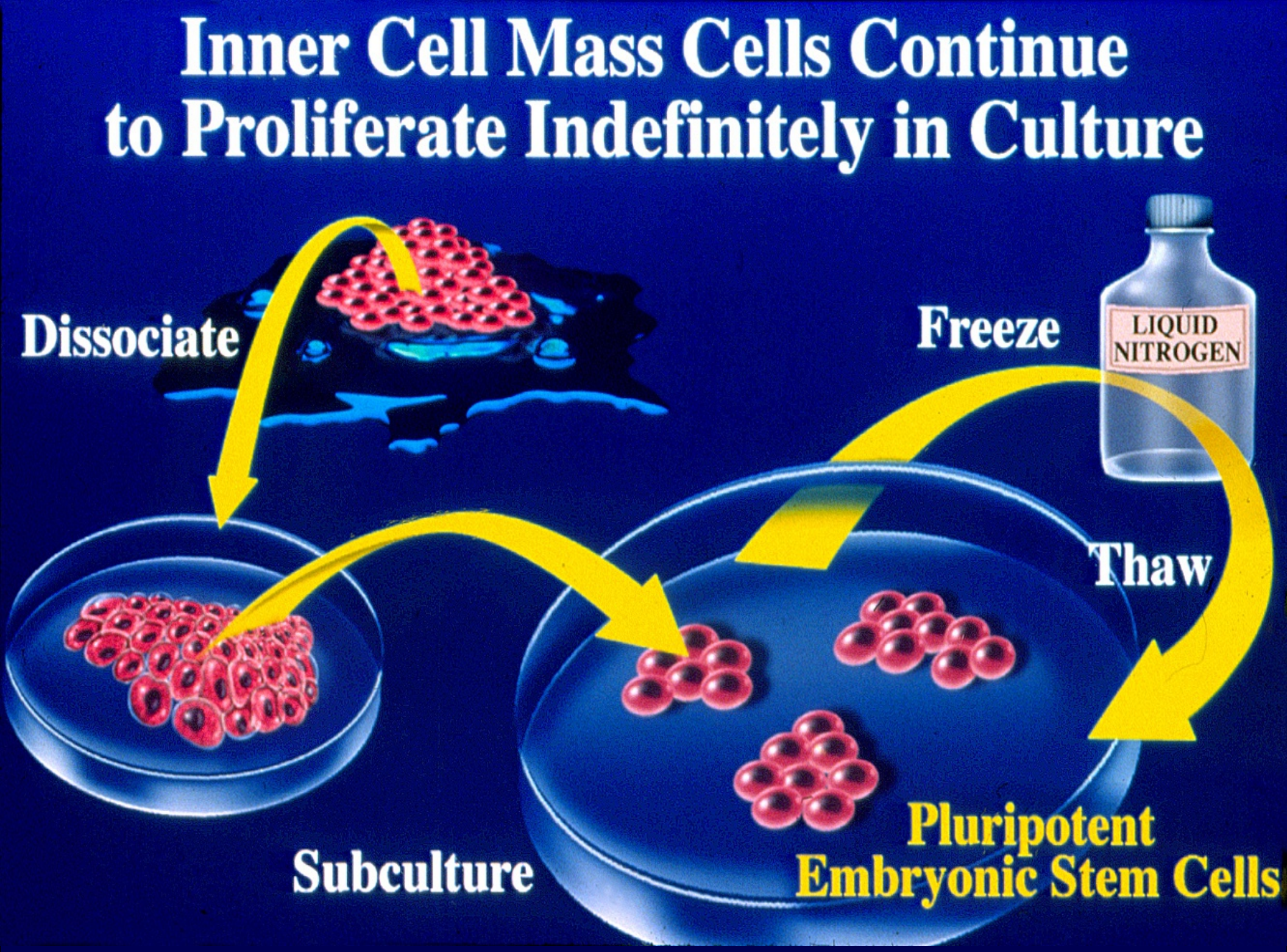
Inner Cell Mass Cells Continue to Proliferate Indefinitely in Culture



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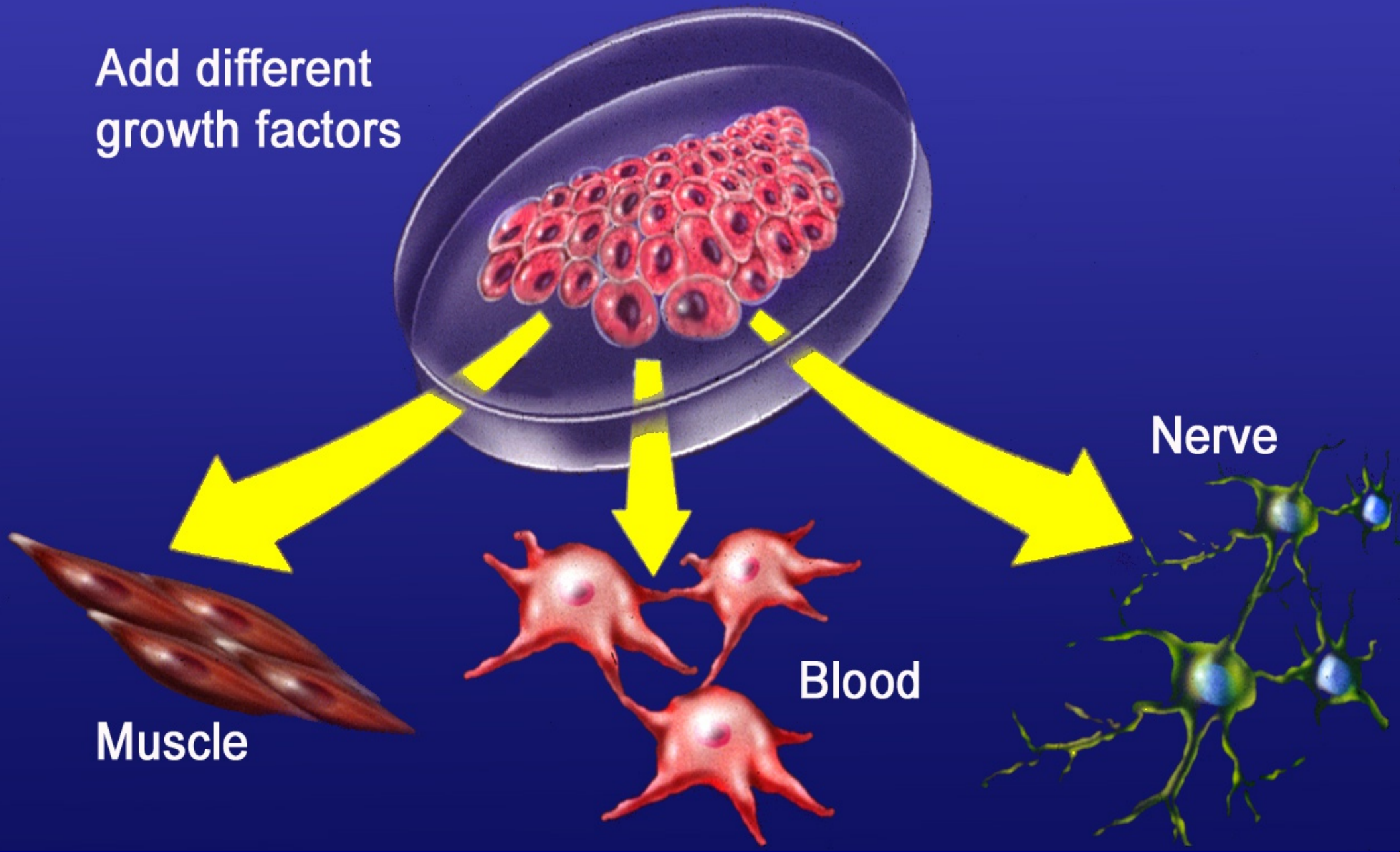
Pluripotent Stem Cells Differentiate into many Cell Types



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Basic Problems of Stem Cell Therapy

- HOW TO DIRECT DIFFERENTIATION OF CELLS DOWN SPECIFIC PATHWAYS?
  e.g. all into muscle or all into nerve; different "cocktails" of growth factors

- HOW TO OVERCOME IMMUNE REJECTION?
  e.g. alter histocompatibility genes; therapeutic cloning for "customized" lines

- HOW TO MAKE AN ORGAN?
  e.g. combine different cell types in three dimensional arrangements.

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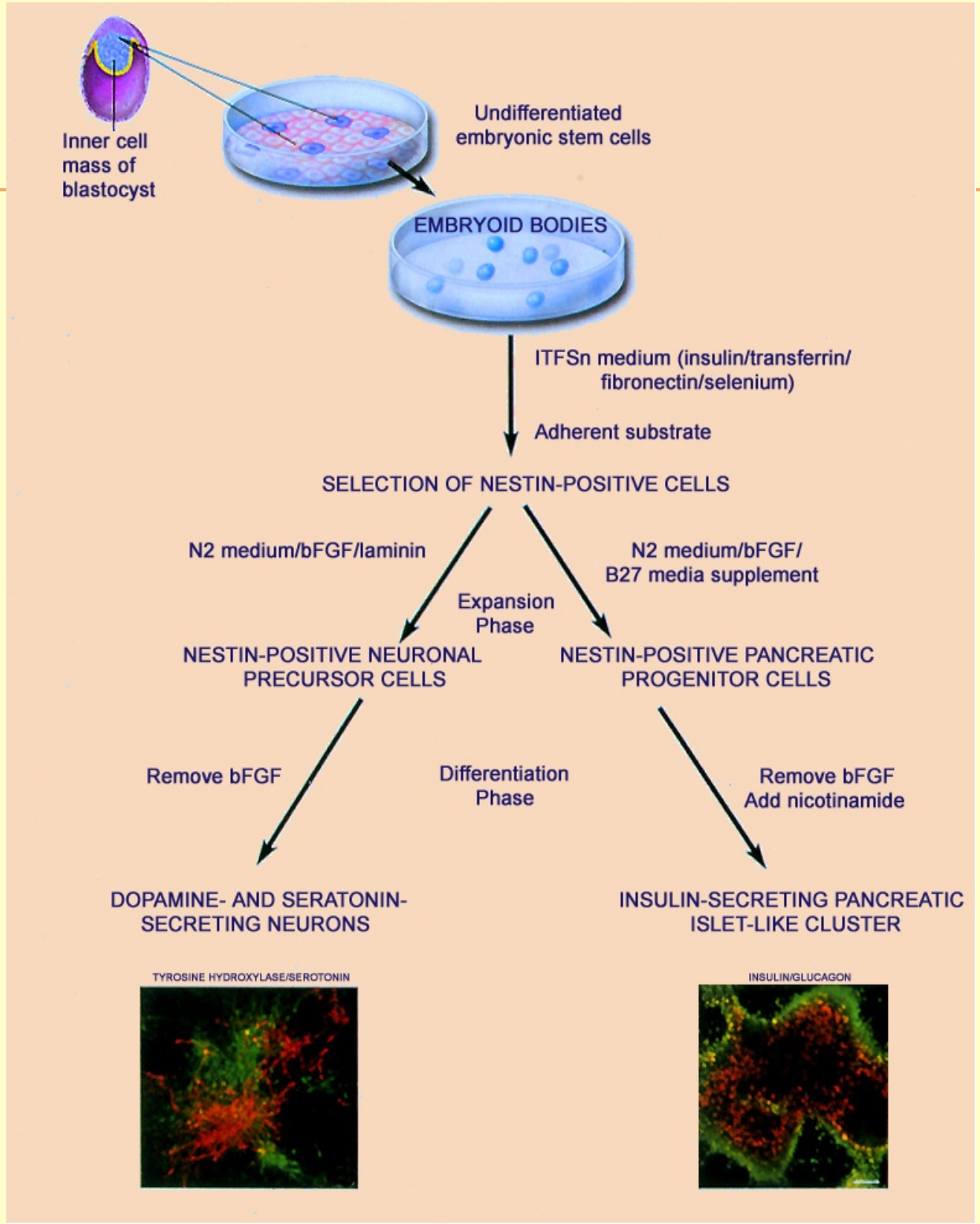

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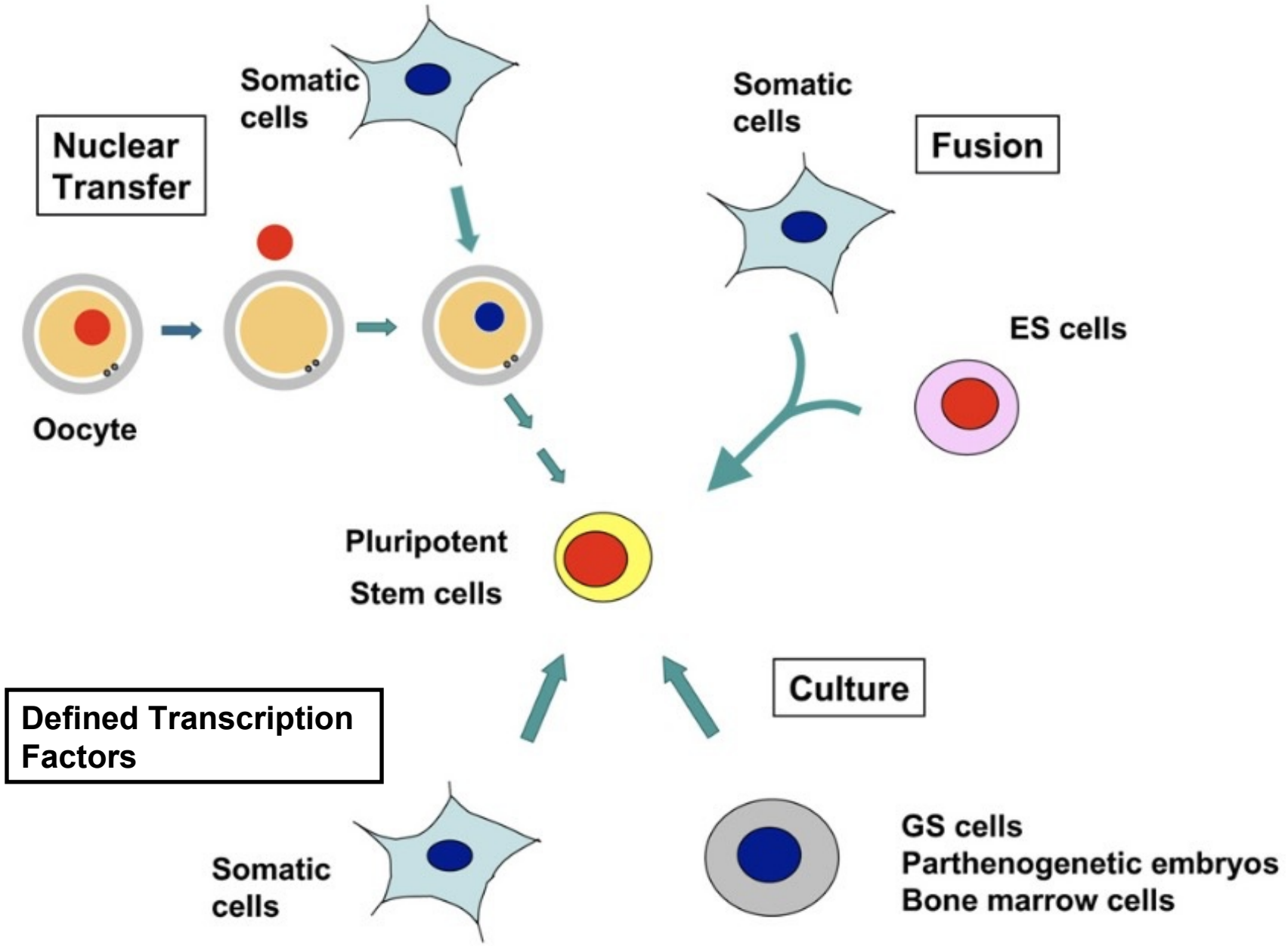
Methods to Generate Pluripotent Stem Cells



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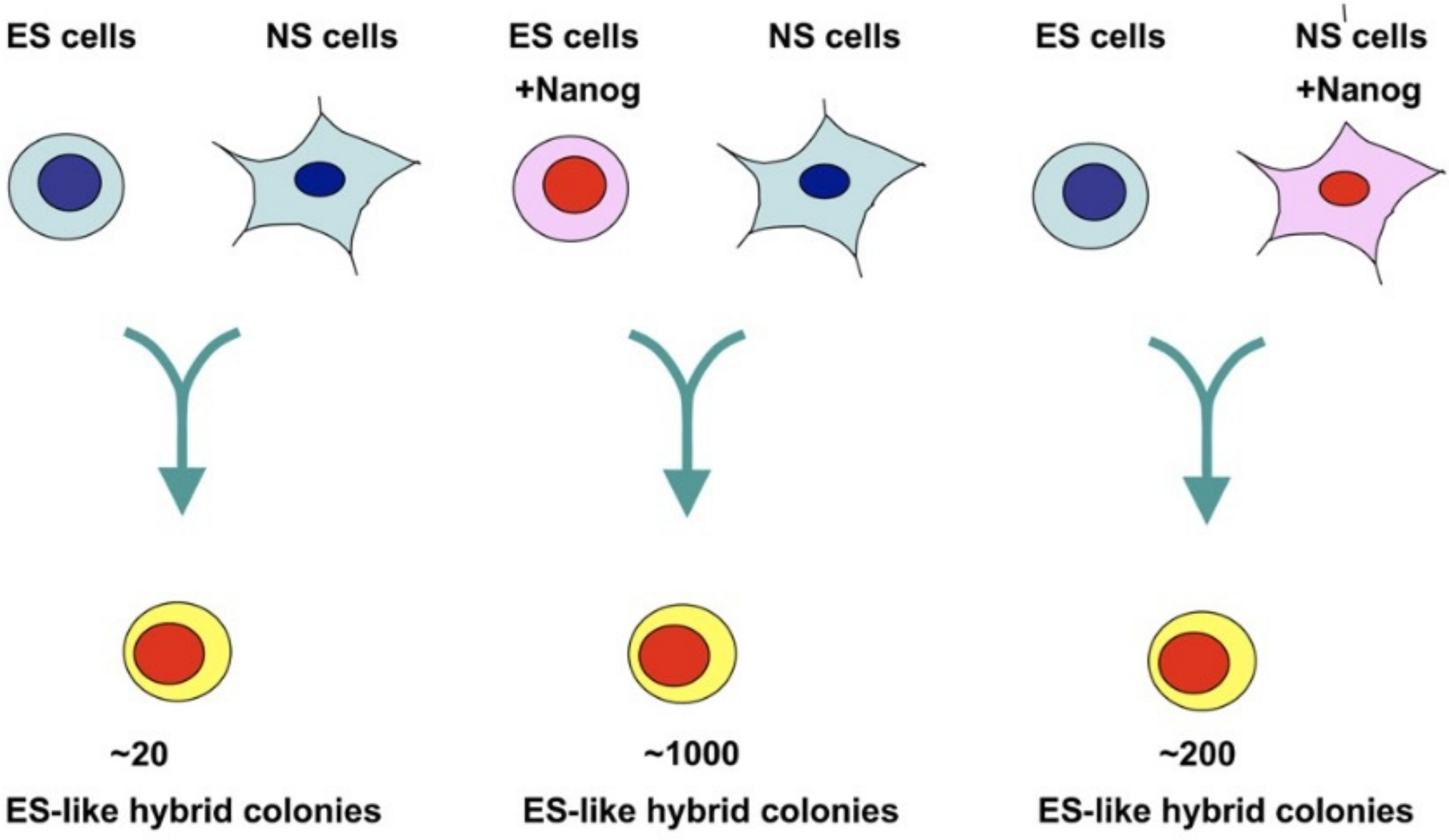
Nanog-Mediated Enhancement of Reprogramming by Fusion



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Five Factors Needed to Maintain Pluripotency

Table 1. Comparison of the Five Factors in the Phenotype of Loss-of-Function and Gain-of-Function Experiments

	Knockout ES Cells	Knockout Embryos	Overexpression in ES Cells
Oct-3/4	Cannot be established	No epiblast	Induces differentiation
	Niwa et al., 2000	Nichols et al., 1998	Niwa et al., 2000
Sox2	Cannot be established	No epiblast	Does not induce differentiation
	Masui et al., 2007	Avilion et al., 2003	Does not induce LIF independency
			M. Nakagawa and S.Y., unpublished data
c-Myc	Can be established	Normal epiblast	Does not induce differentiation
	Normal self-renewal		Induces LIF independency
	Davis et al., 1993	Davis et al., 1993	Cartwright et al., 2005
KLF4	Not reported	Normal epiblast	Does not induce differentiation
		Katz et al., 2002	Induces LIF independency
			Y. Tokuzawa, M. Nakagawa, and S.Y., unpublished data
Nanog	Can be established	No epiblast	Does not induce differentiation
	Spontaneous differentiation		Induces LIF independency
	Mitsui et al., 2003	Mitsui et al., 2003	Chambers et al., 2003; Mitsui et al., 2003

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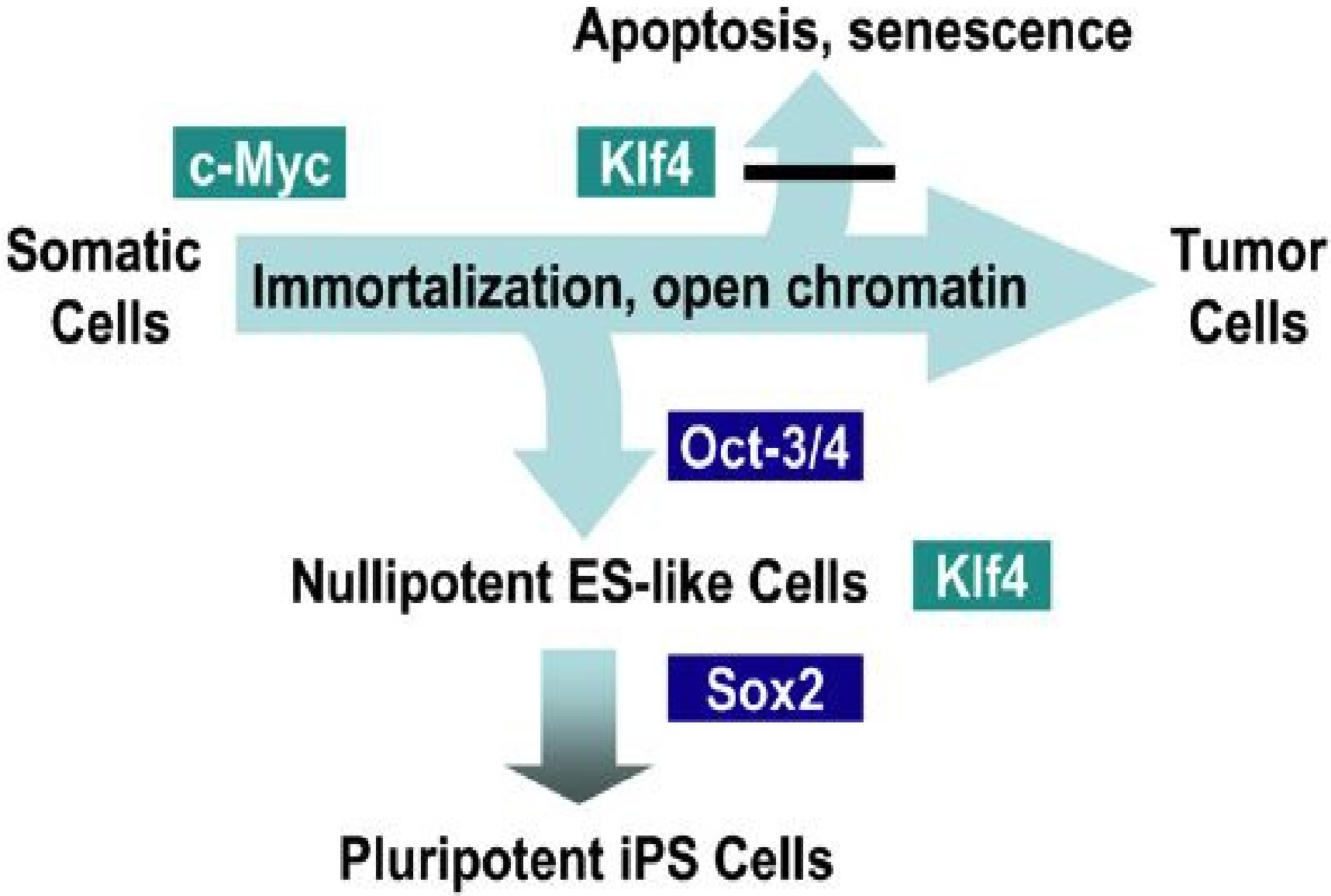
Induction of Pluripotent Stem Cells (iPS) from Somatic Stem Cells



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Adipose Tissue Provides iPSC Efficiently

'Liposuction leftovers' easily converted to iPS cells, study shows

BY KRISTA CONGER

Globs of human fat removed during liposuction conceal versatile cells that are more quickly and easily coaxed to become induced pluripotent stem cells, or iPS cells, than are the skin cells most often used by researchers, according to a new study from Stanford's School of Medicine.

"We've identified a great natural resource," said Stanford surgery professor and co-author of the research, Michael Longaker, MD, who has called the readily available liposuction leftovers "liquid gold." Reprogramming adult cells to function like embryonic stem cells is one way researchers hope to create patient-specific cell lines to regenerate tissue or to study specific diseases in the laboratory.

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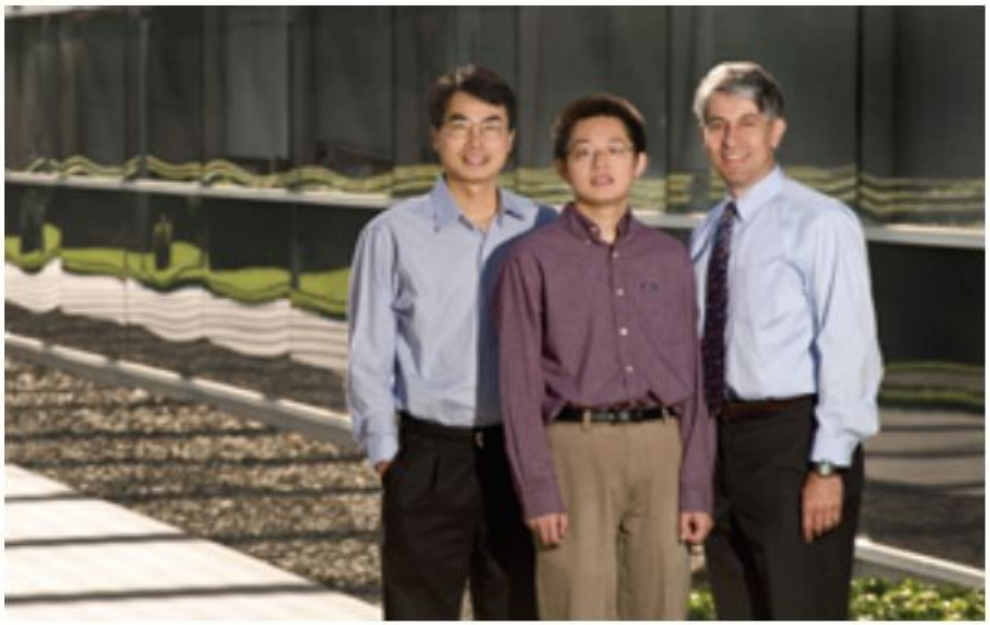

Joseph Wu, Ning Sun and Michael Longaker collaborated on research that showed stem cells found in fat tissue could easily be converted into iPS cells.

Sun et al, Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A. 2009 Sep 15;106(37):15720-5.

Using CRE – Recombinase to Remove Viral Transforming DNA from iPSCs

Parkinson's Disease Patient-Derived Induced Pluripotent Stem Cells Free of Viral Reprogramming Factors

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Cre-Lox Recombination to Remove Viral DNA

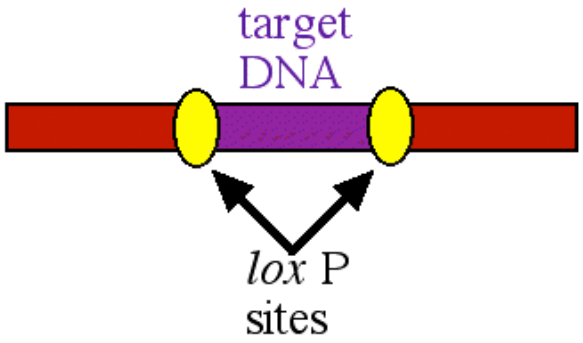

Figure 1. A pair of *lox* P sites (yellow ovals) flanking the target DNA (purple) to be deleted.

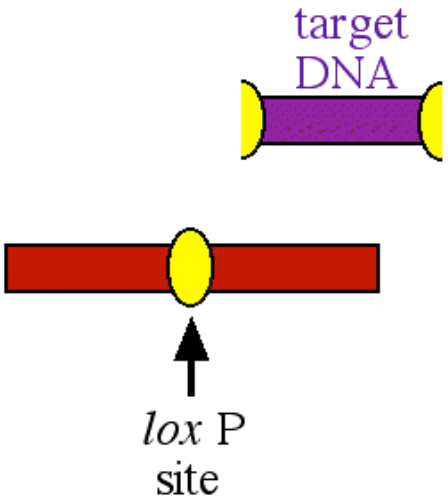

Figure 2. After the cre enzyme has excised the target DNA, one lox P site is left behind and the two flanking fragments of DNA are spliced together. The target DNA is excised and degraded.

Inducing iPSCs using Transcription Factor Proteins

Cell Stem Cell
Brief Report

Generation of Human Induced Pluripotent Stem Cells by Direct Delivery of Reprogramming Proteins

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Direct conversion of mouse fibroblasts to self-renewing, tripotent neural precursor cells

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We recently showed that defined sets of transcription factors are sufficient to convert mouse and human fibroblasts directly into cells resembling functional neurons, referred to as “induced neu- ronal” (iN) cells. For some applications however, it would be de- sirable to convert fibroblasts into proliferative neural precursor cells (NPCs) instead of neurons. We hypothesized that NPC-like cells may be induced using the same principal approach used for generating iN cells. Toward this goal, we infected mouse embry- onic fibroblasts derived from Sox2-EGFP mice with a set of 11 transcription factors highly expressed in NPCs. Twenty-four days after transgene induction, Sox2-EGFP+ colonies emerged that expressed NPC-specific genes and differentiated into neuronal and astrocytic cells. Using stepwise elimination, we found that Sox2 and FoxG1 are capable of generating clonal self-renewing, bipotent induced NPCs that gave rise to astrocytes and functional neurons. When we added the Pou and Homeobox domain-contain- ing transcription factor Brn2 to Sox2 and FoxG1, we were able to induce tripotent NPCs that could be differentiated not only into neurons and astrocytes but also into oligodendrocytes. The tran- scription factors FoxG1 and Brn2 alone also were capable of in- ducing NPC-like cells; however, these cells generated less mature neurons, although they did produce astrocytes and even oligoden- drocytes capable of integration into dysmyelinated Shiverer brain. Our data demonstrate that direct lineage reprogramming using target cell-type–specific transcription factors can be used to induce NPC-like cells that potentially could be used

Direct versus indirect Cell Reprogramming

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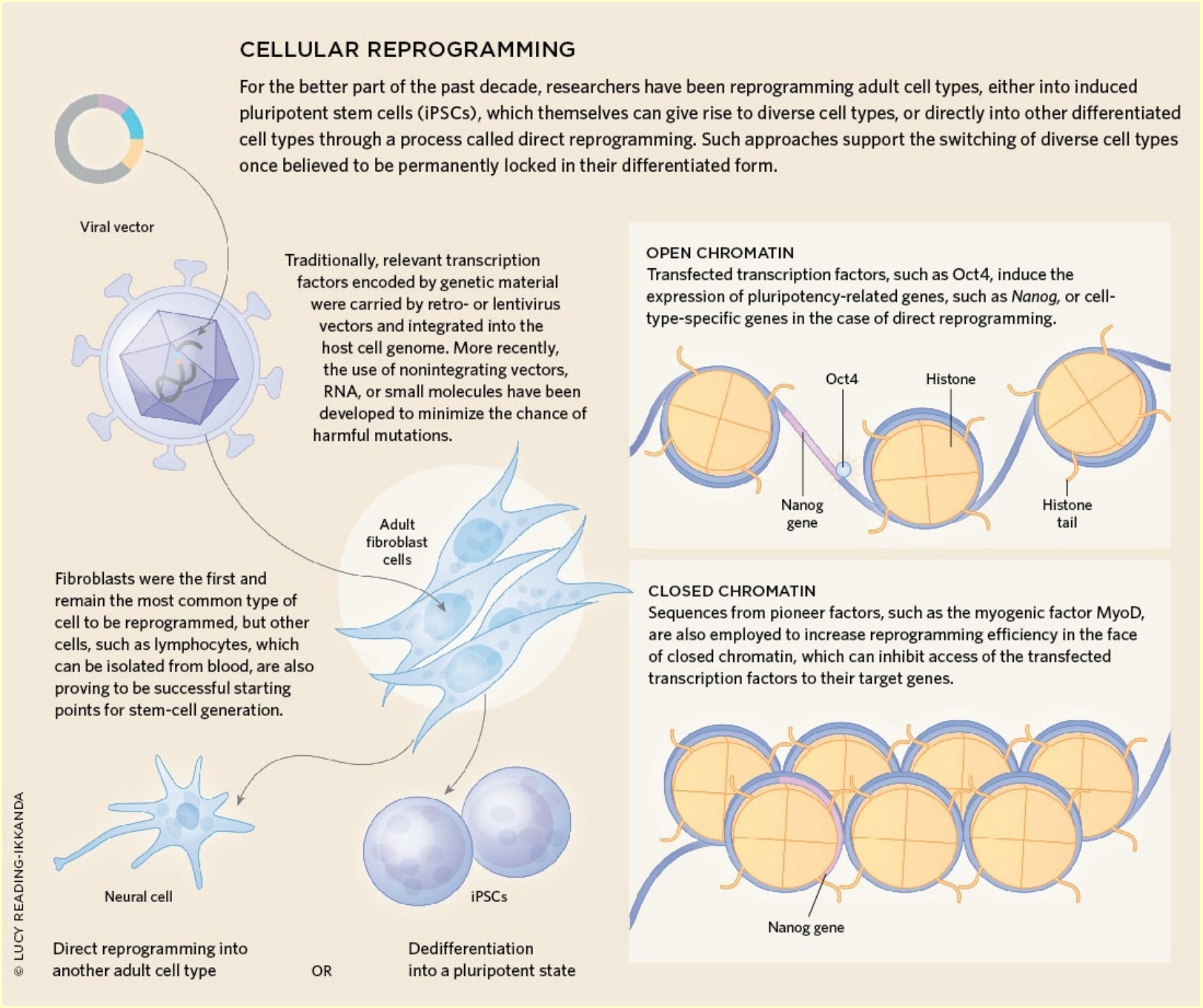

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Cell Reprogramming *in vivo* & *in vitro*

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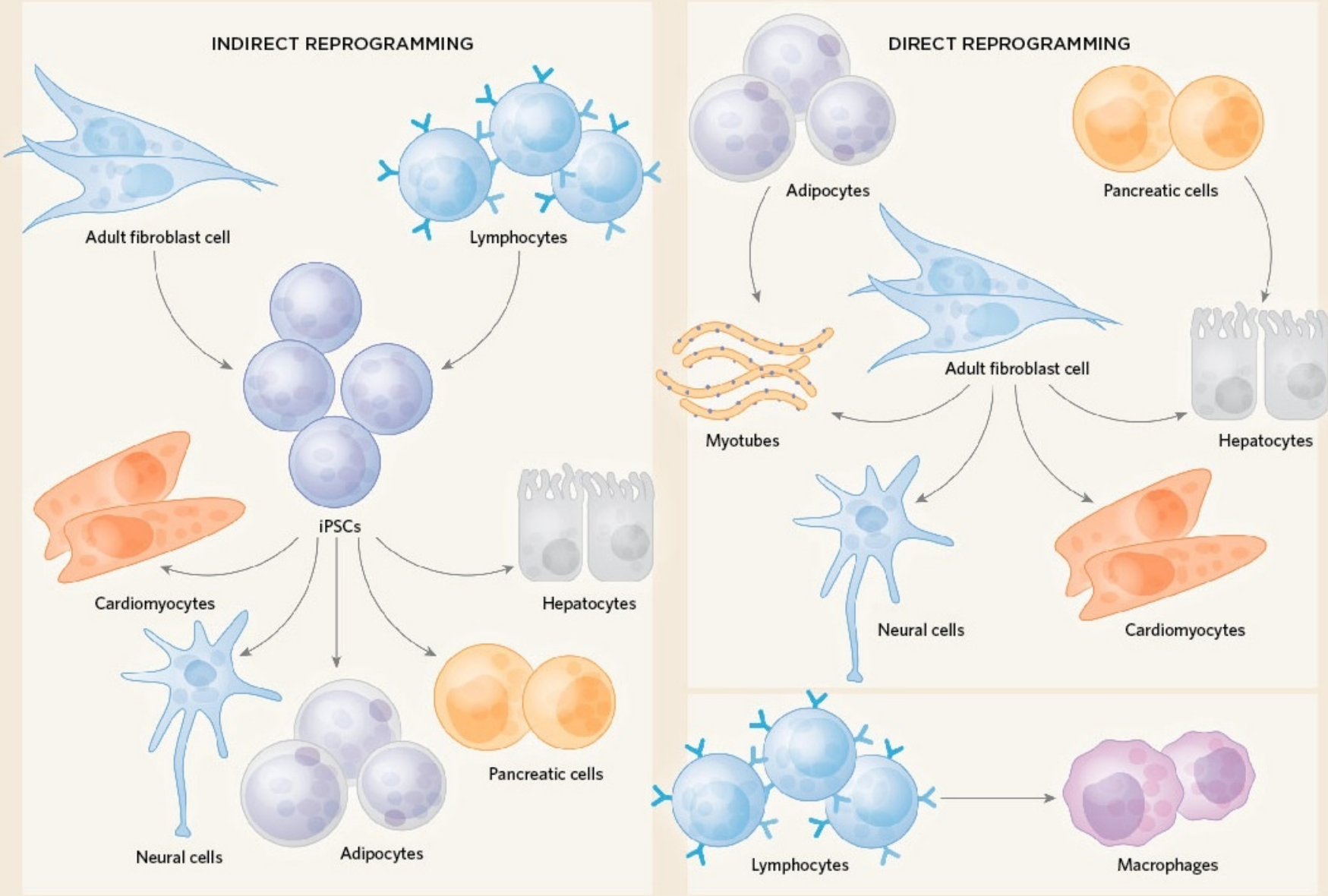

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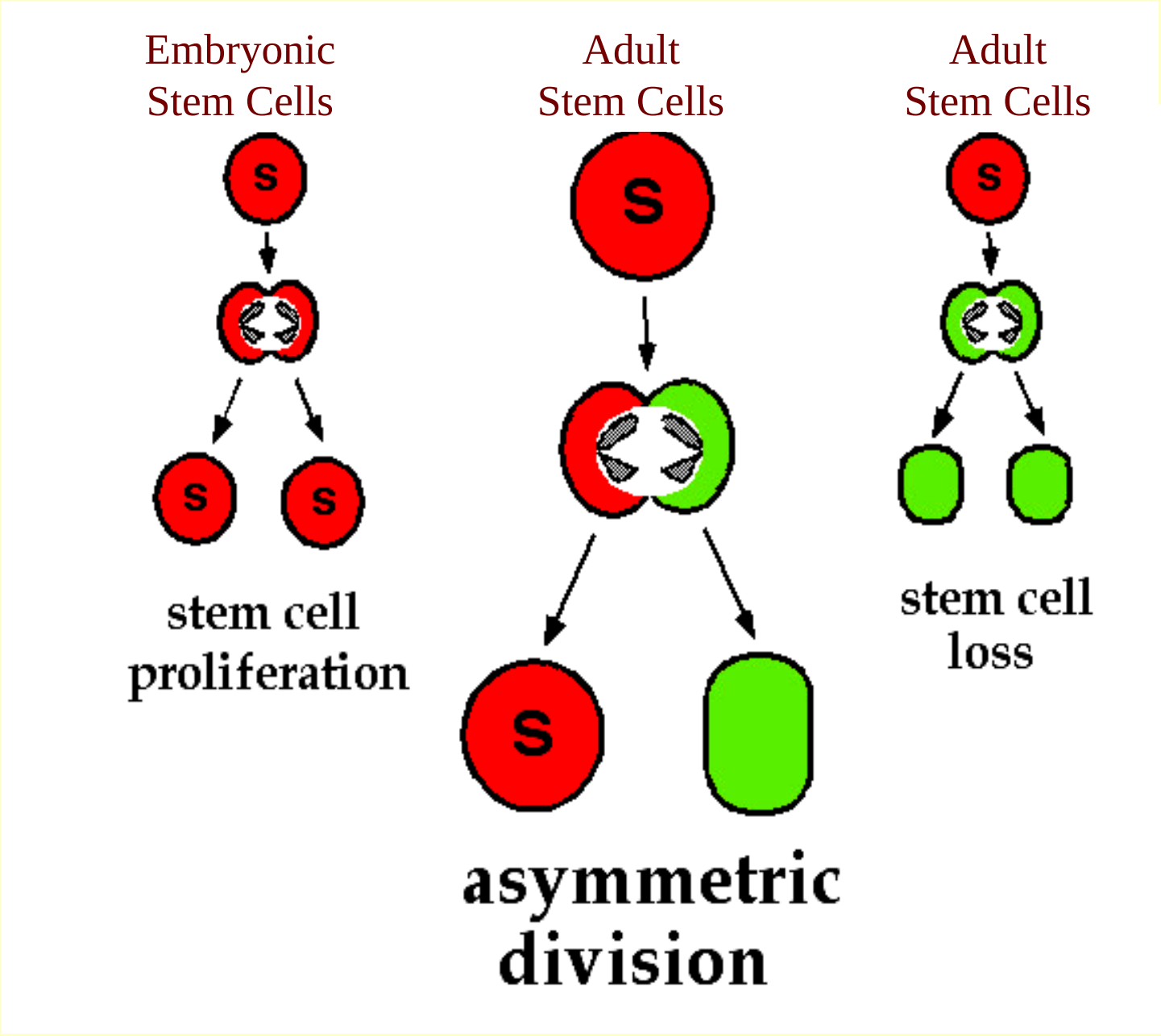
Alternate Stem Cell Fates



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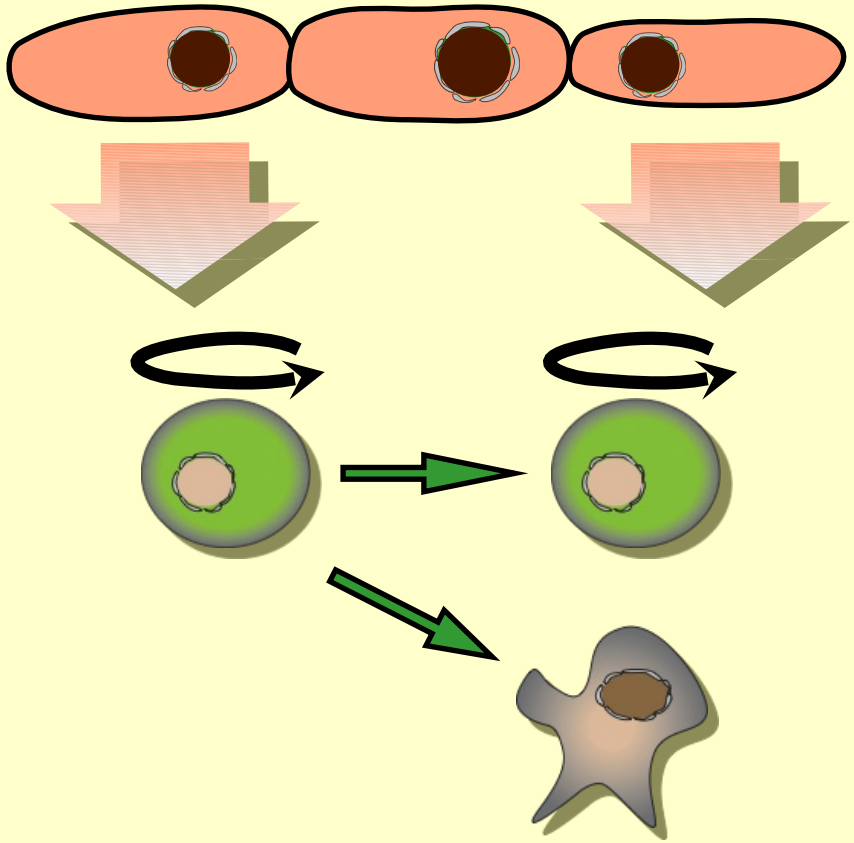
signals from niches maintain adult stem cells and tissues



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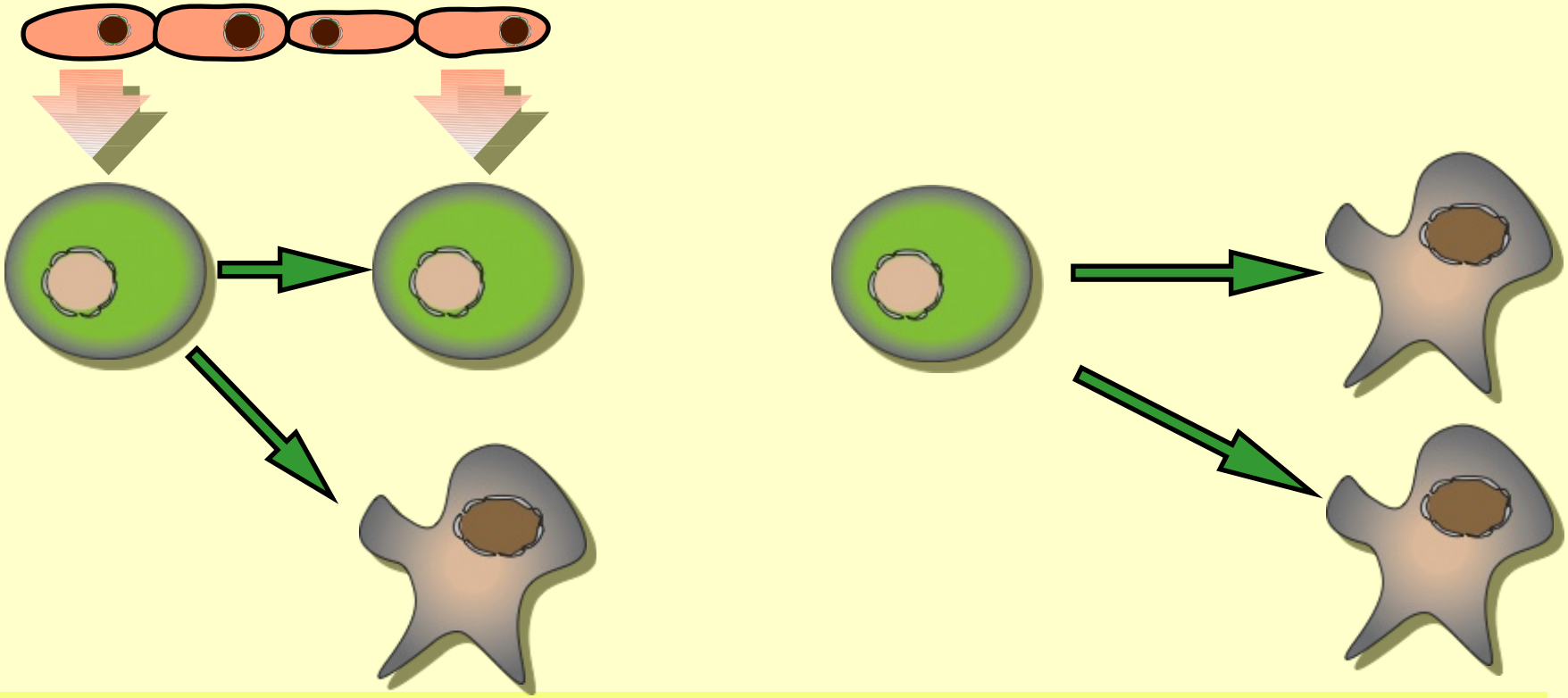
In the absence of niche signals, adult stem cells will differentiate, by default



1. Self-renewal is proliferation coupled to blocking differentiation, controlled by signals.
2.Signals are local; niches have a limited capacity and cells compete for the signals
3. The signals control tissue homeostasis, also after damage

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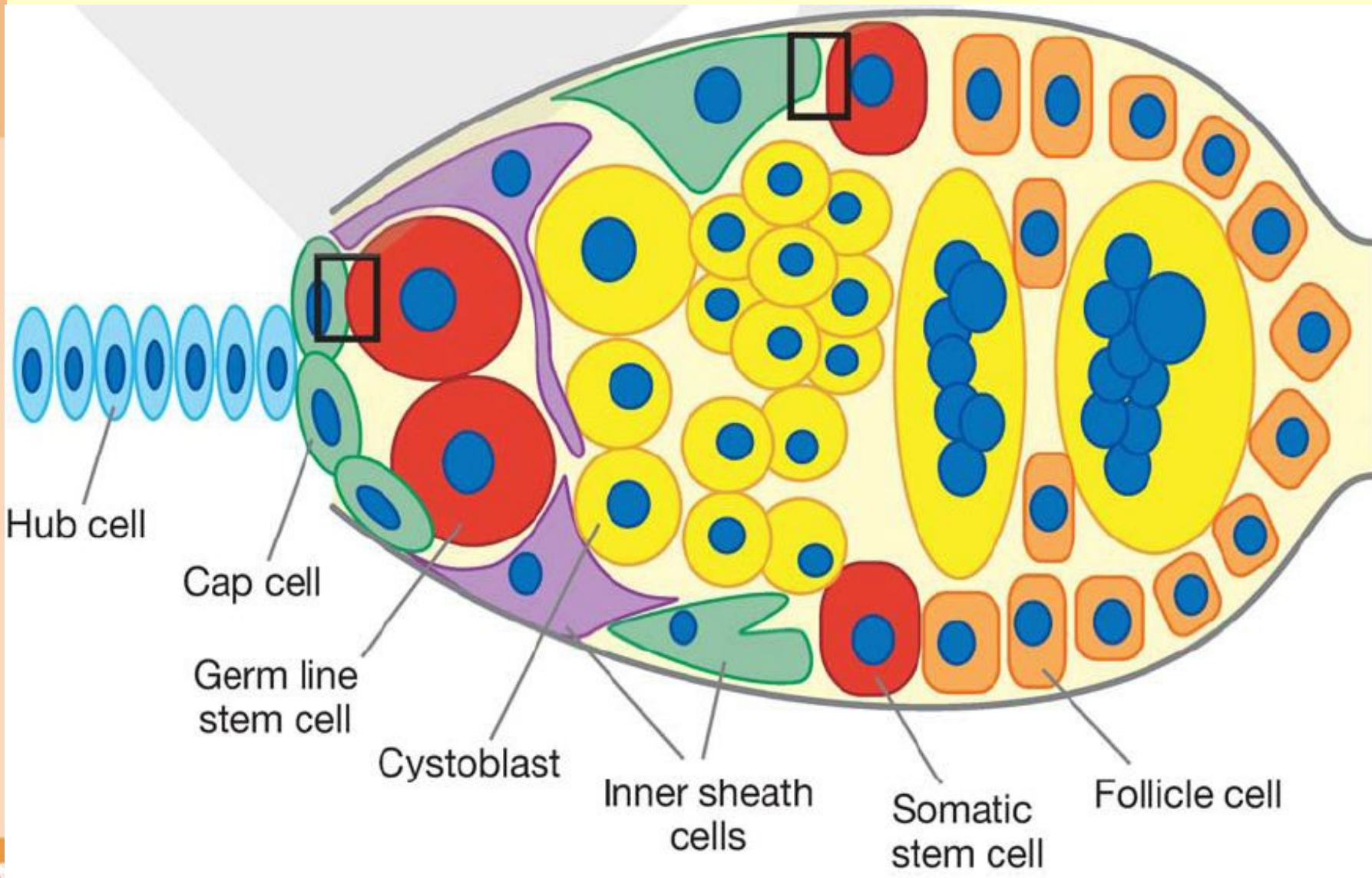
Oocyte Niche in the Drosophila Germarium



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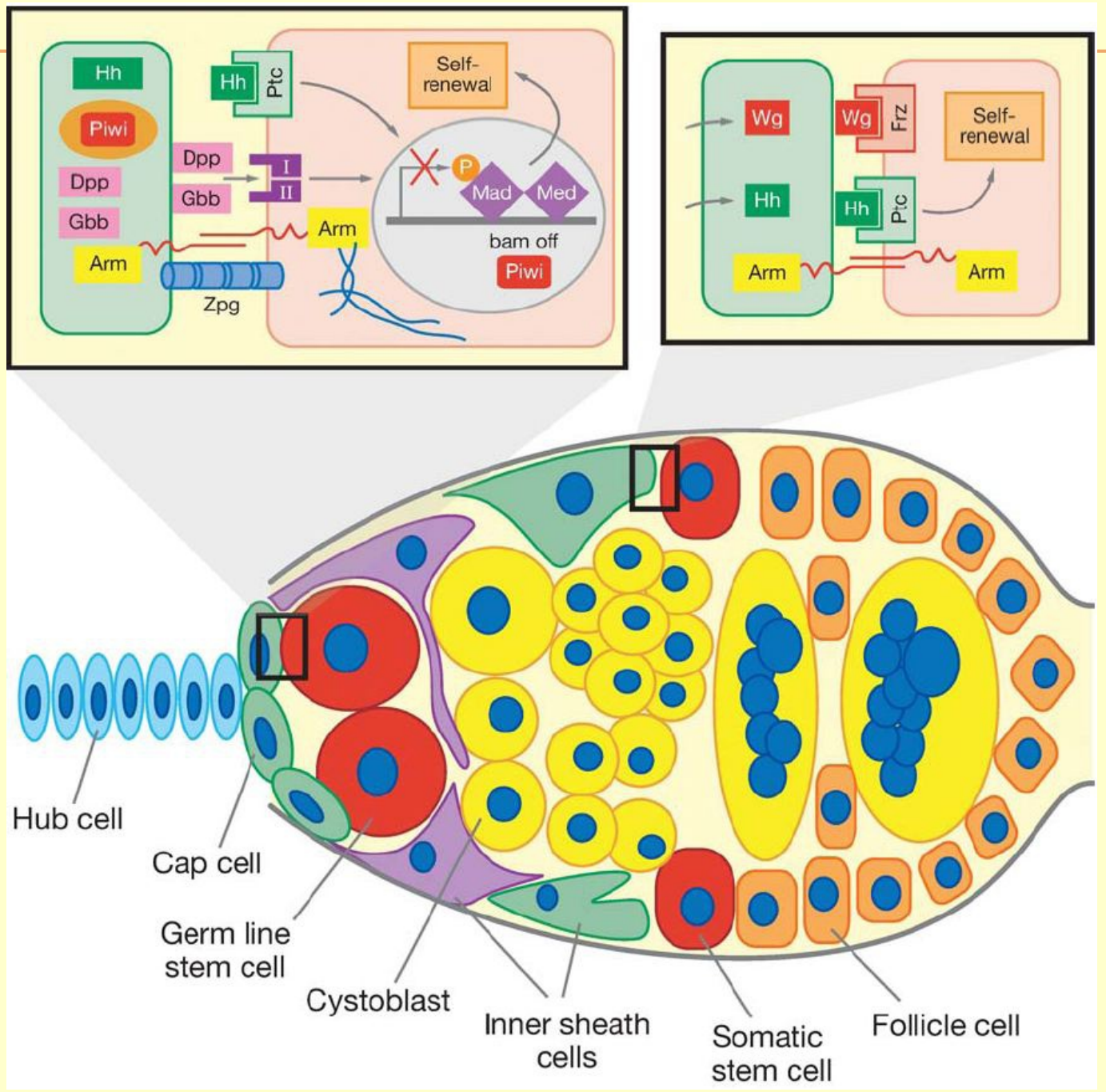
Cell-Cell Interactions at Oocyte Niche



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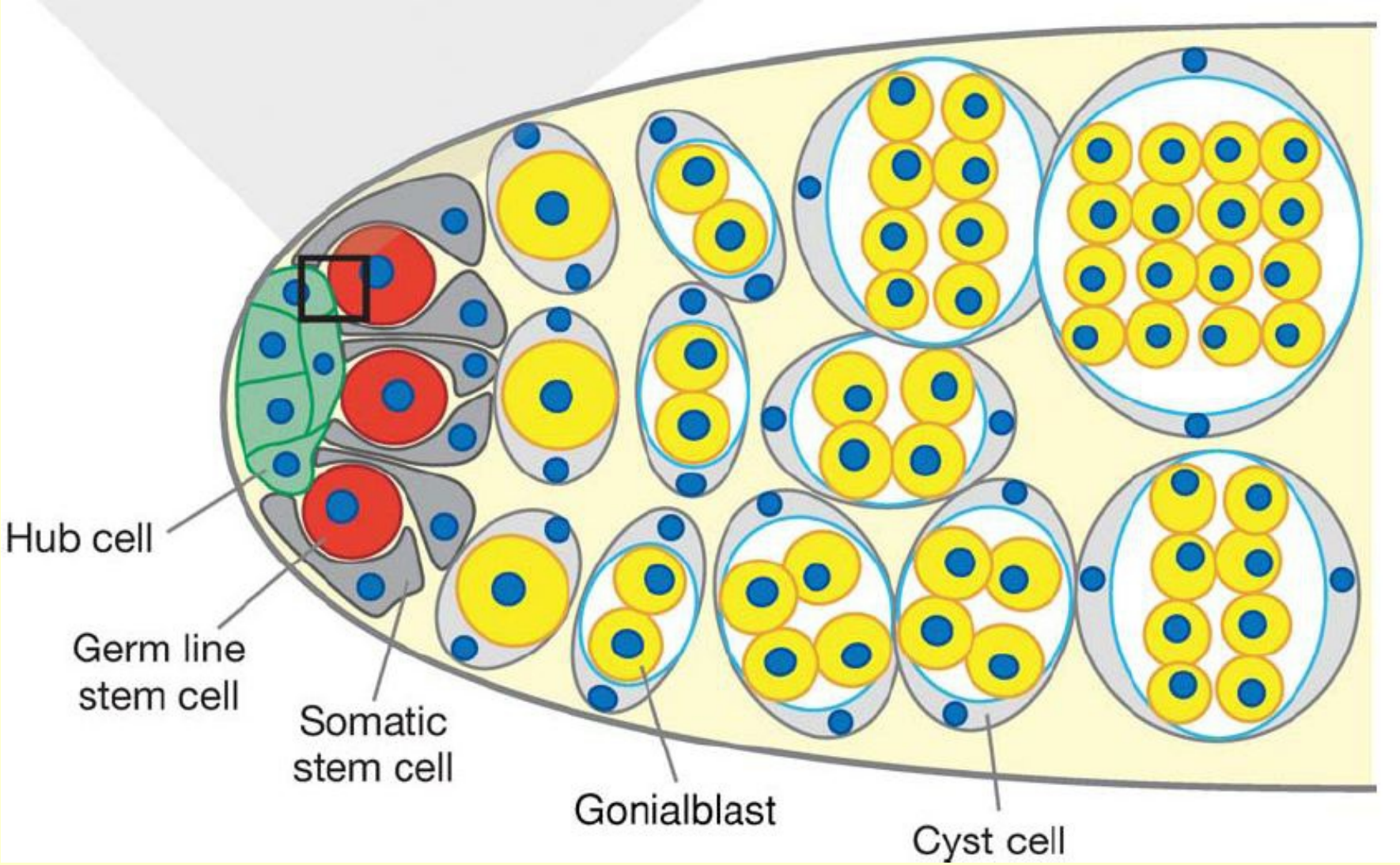
Drosophila Spermatogonial Niche



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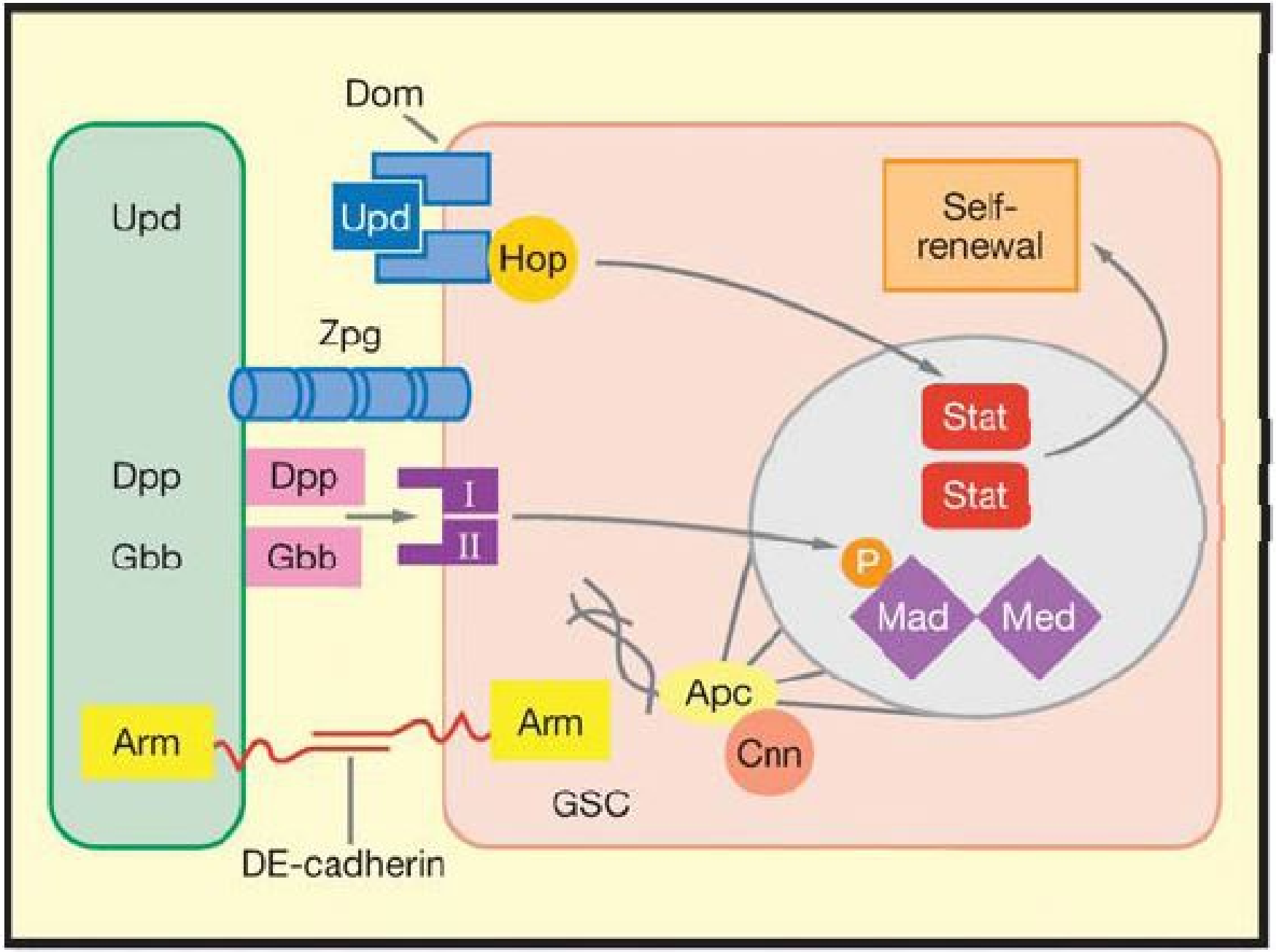

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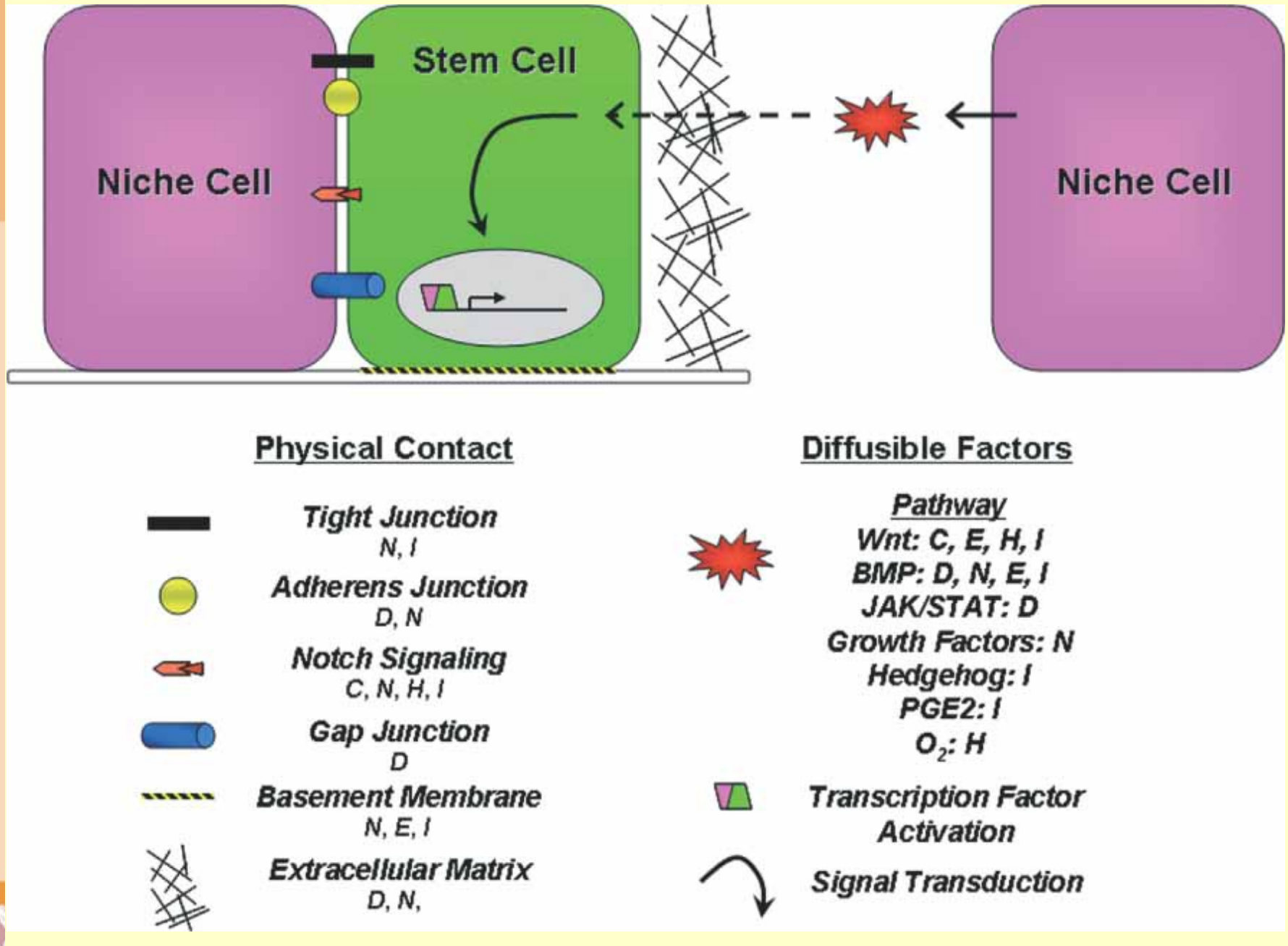
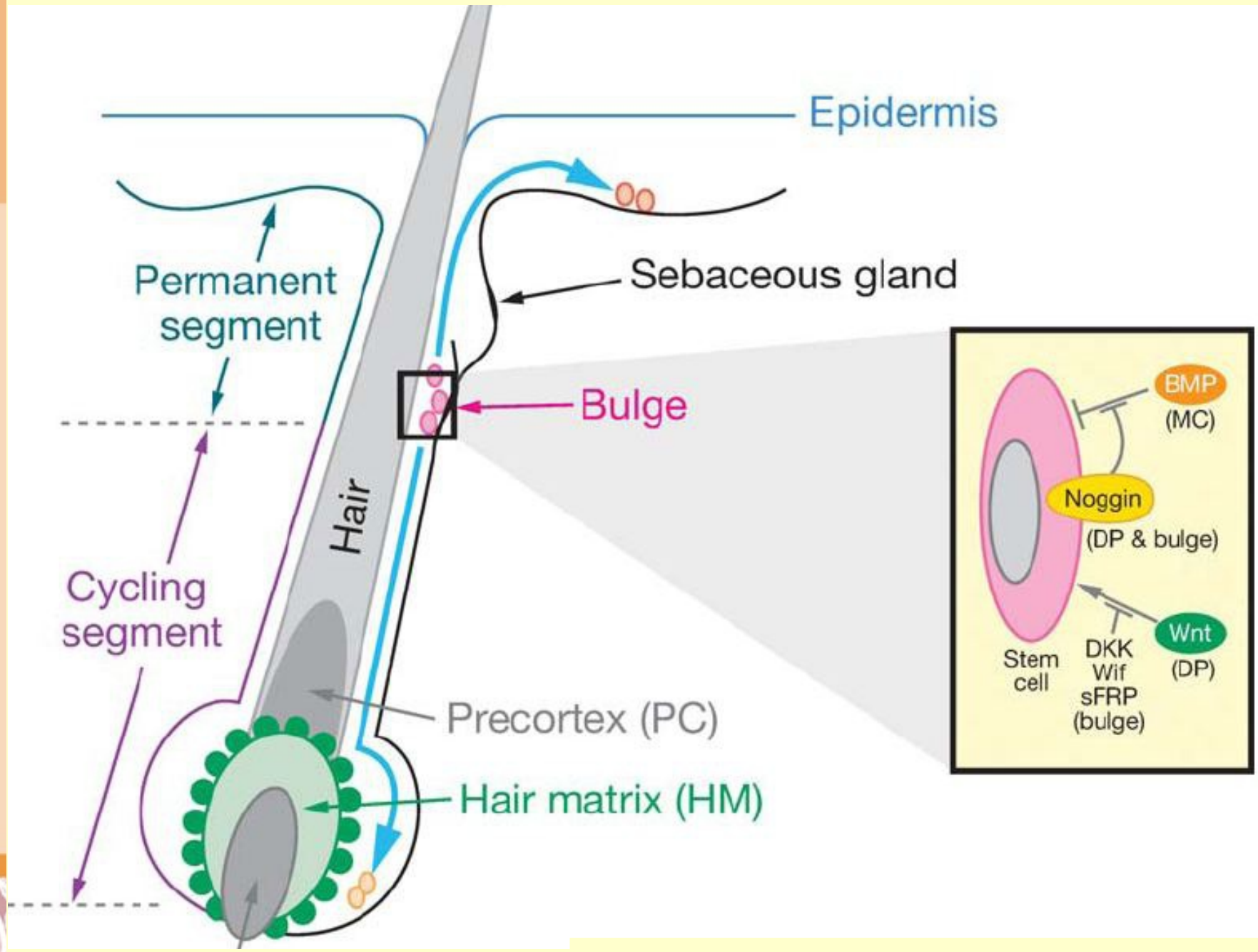
Summary of Stem Cell Niche Signals



Hair Follicle Niche



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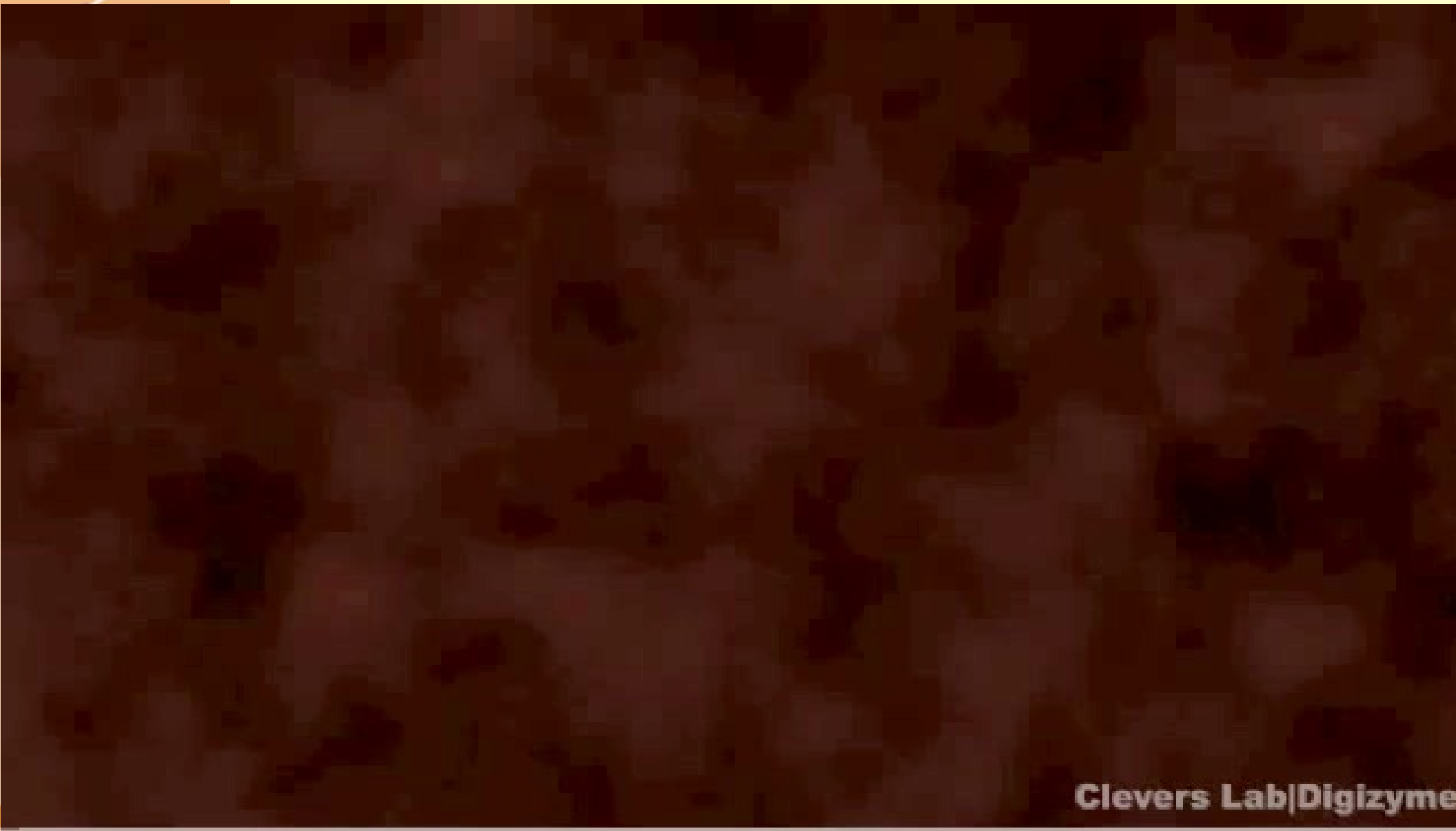
Intestinal Stem Cells in Crypts



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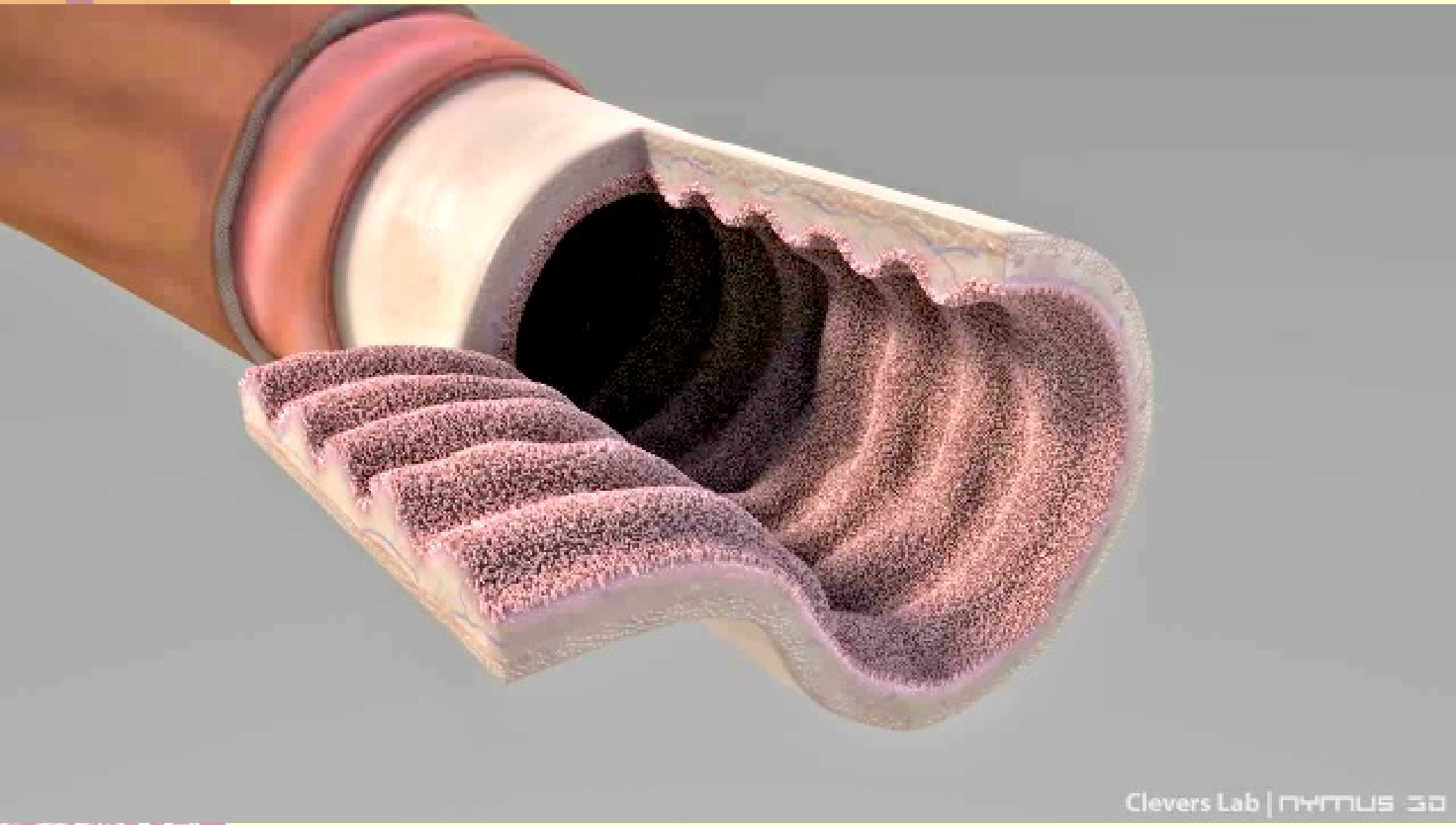
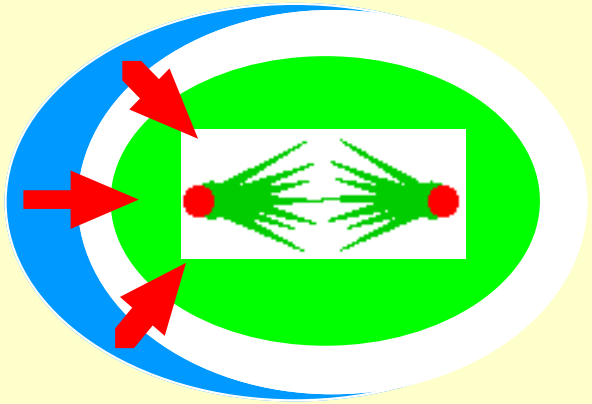
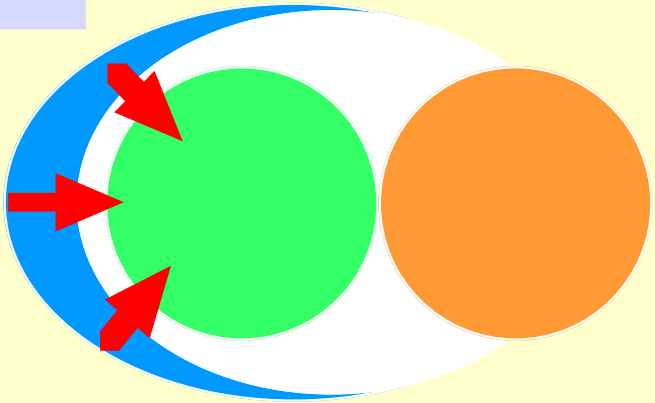


Asymmetric stem cell divisions

Extrinsic factor(s)



Niche



John Cairns: The Immortal Parental Strands

Nature Vol. 255 May 15 1975

review article

Mutation selection and the natural history of cancer

John Cairns*

Survival of the rapidly renewing tissues of long-lived animals like man requires that they be protected against the natural selection of fitter variant cells (that is, the spontaneous appearance of cancer). This article discusses three possible protective mechanisms and shows how they could explain various features of the natural history of certain common cancers of man.

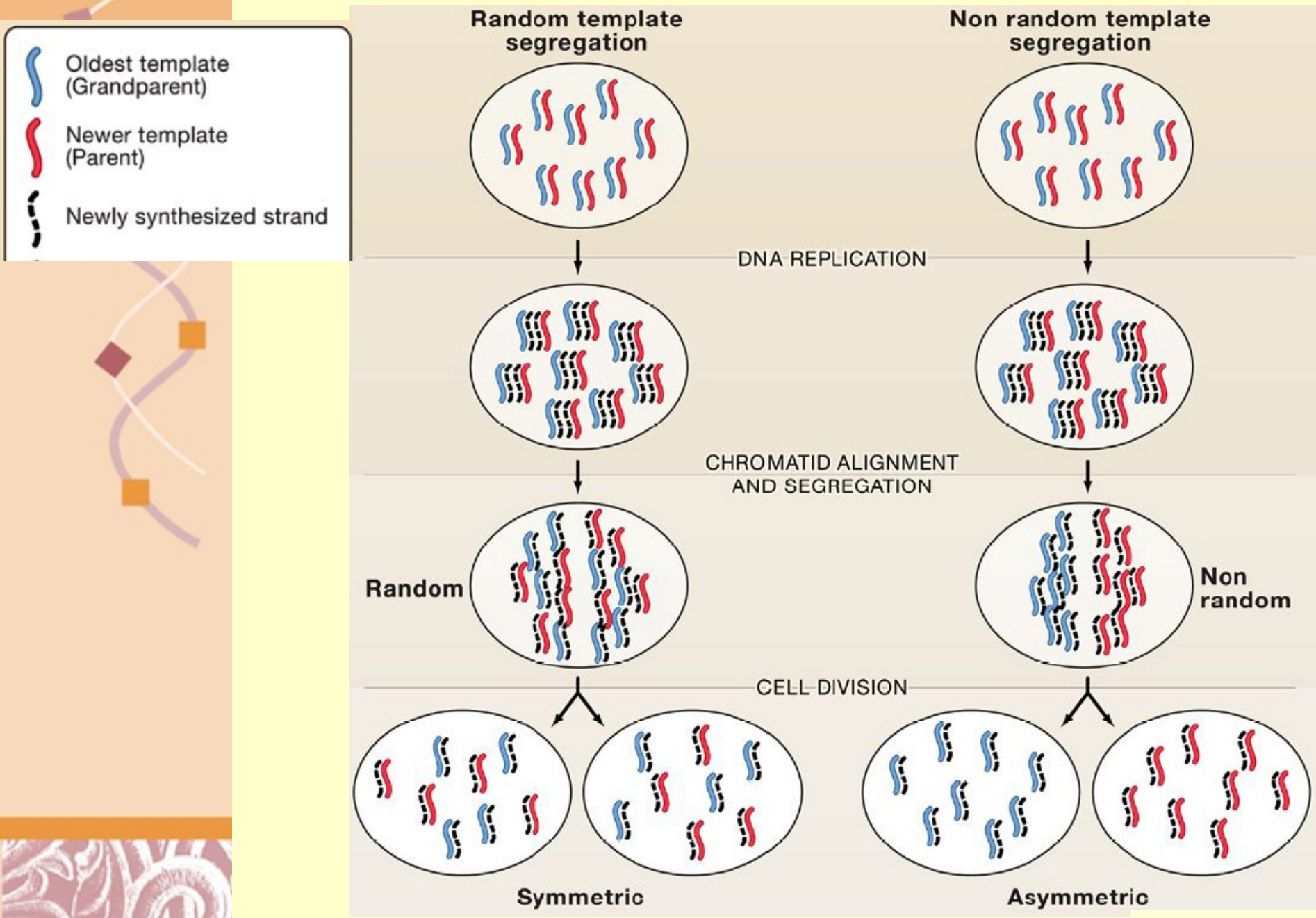
Cairns (1975) Nature **255, 197**

Motivation for Asymmetric Strand Segregation

- Adult rat contains $6x10^{10}$ cells
- In its small intestine, a rat sheds over 10^{13} epithelial cells during its lifetime.
- Requires 10^{3} symmetric cell doublings from embryo to adult followed by 10^{13} asymmetric cell doublings during its lifetime
- How do epithelial cells minimize mutations that lead to cancer?

Cairns (1975) Nature **255, 197**

Asymmetric Segregation of Parental DNA Strands



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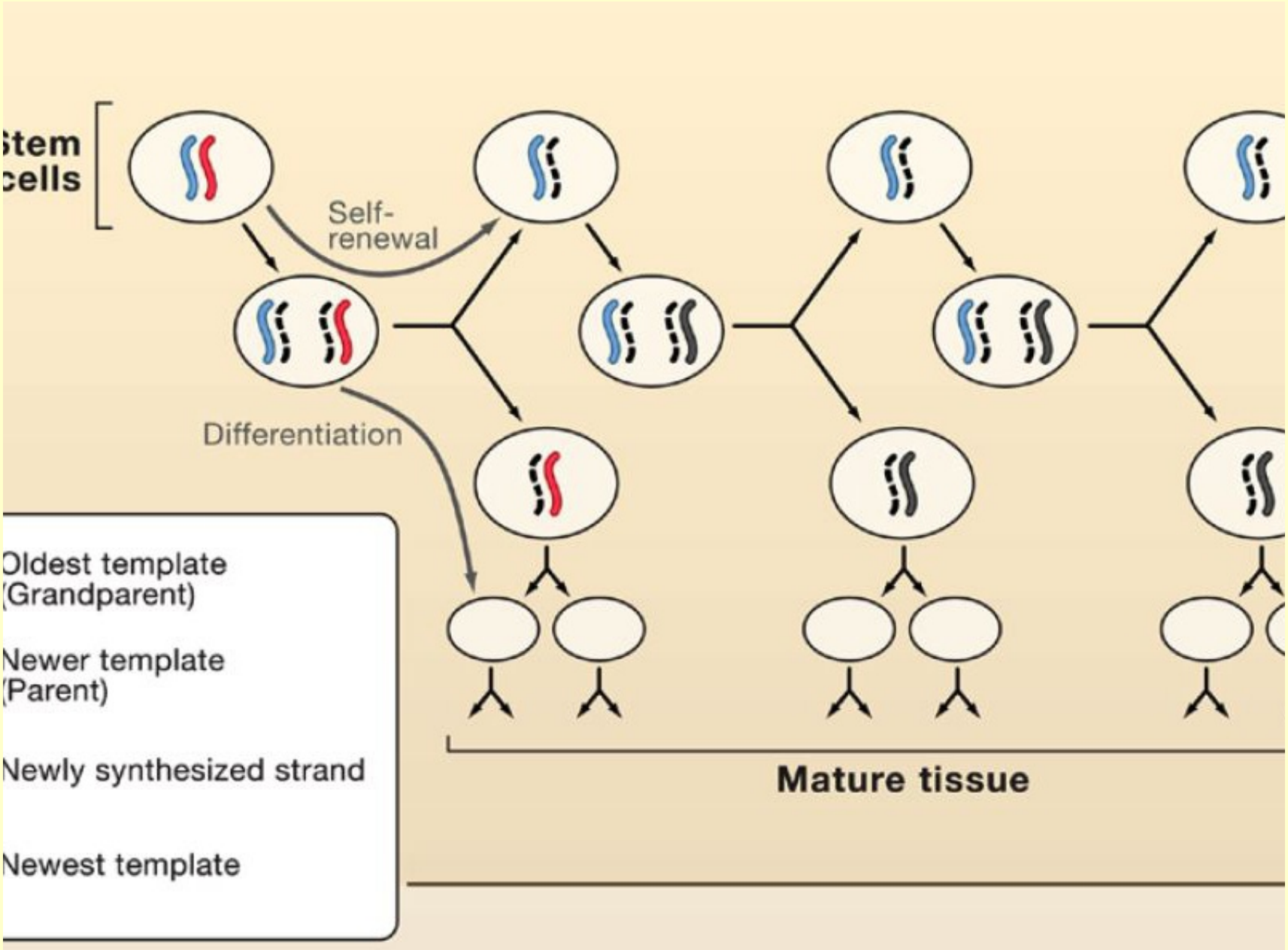
Asymmetric Stem Cell Growth with Asymmetric Parental Strand Segregation



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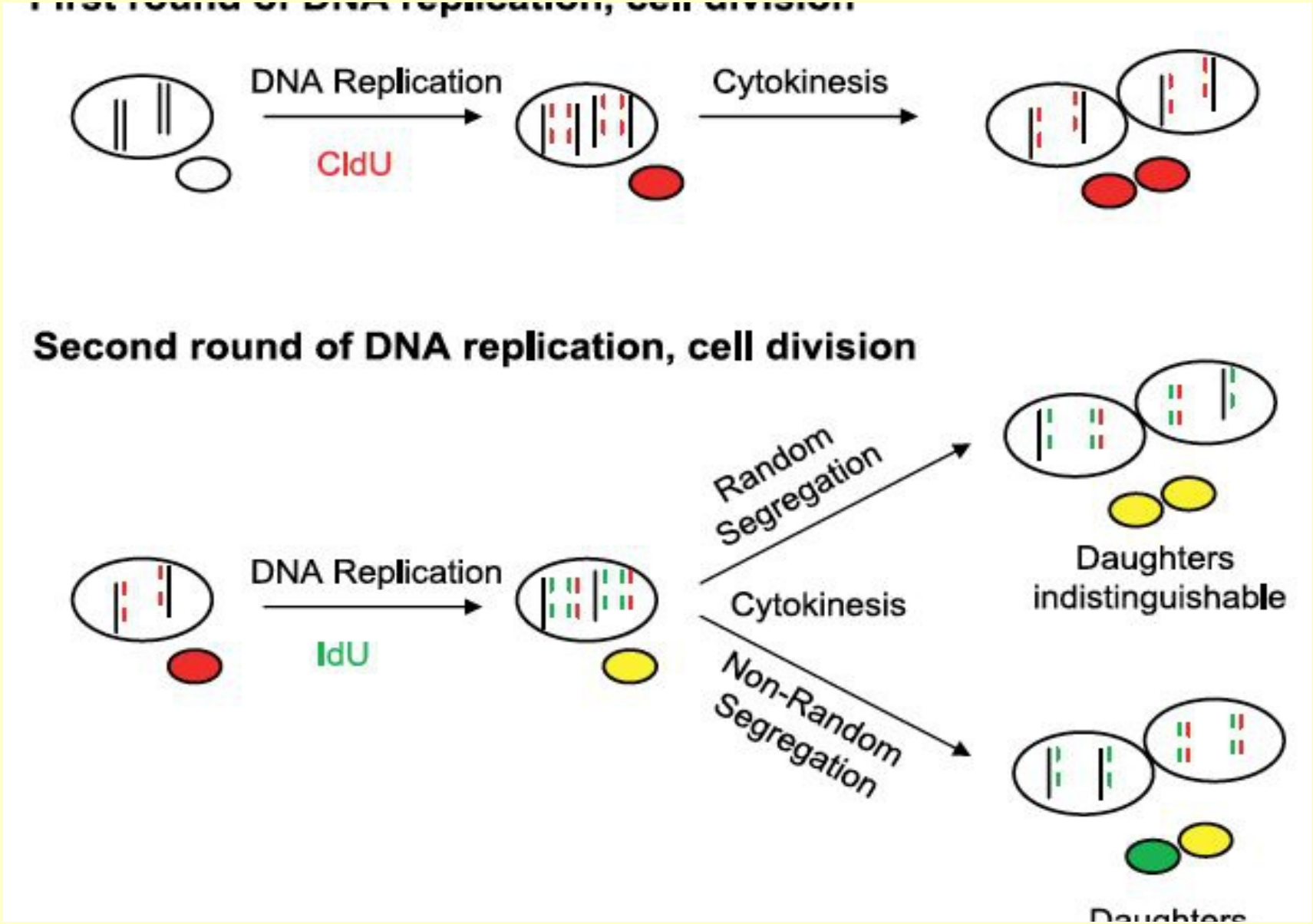
Asymmetric DNA Labeling Patterns



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Duplicating Muscle Cell Pairs Display Asymmetric DNA Labeling Patterns

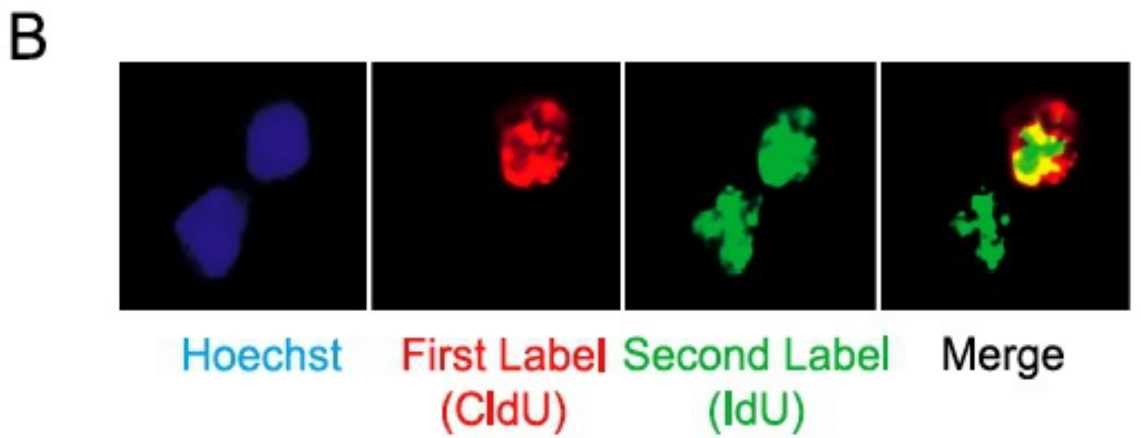
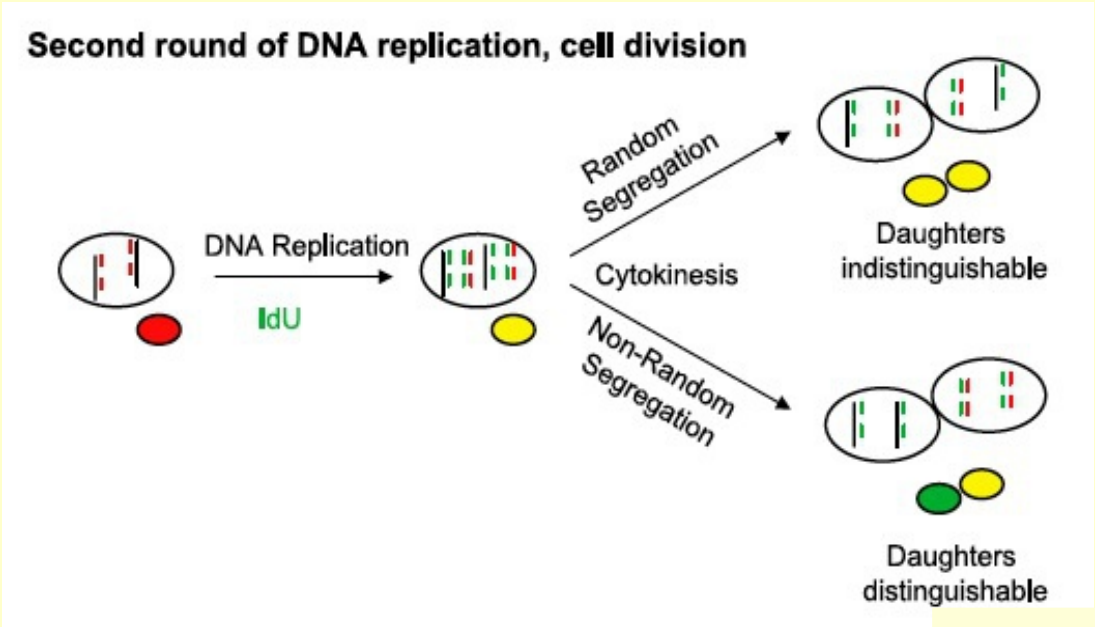


Figure 2. Evidence of Co-Segregation of DNA Template Strands during Muscle Progenitor Cell Division
(B) Cell pairs were immunostained for CldU and IdU. Shown is a representative photograph of an immunostained pair of cells, in which both daughter cells were labeled with the second label, IdU (green), but only one daughter inherited the first label, CldU (red).



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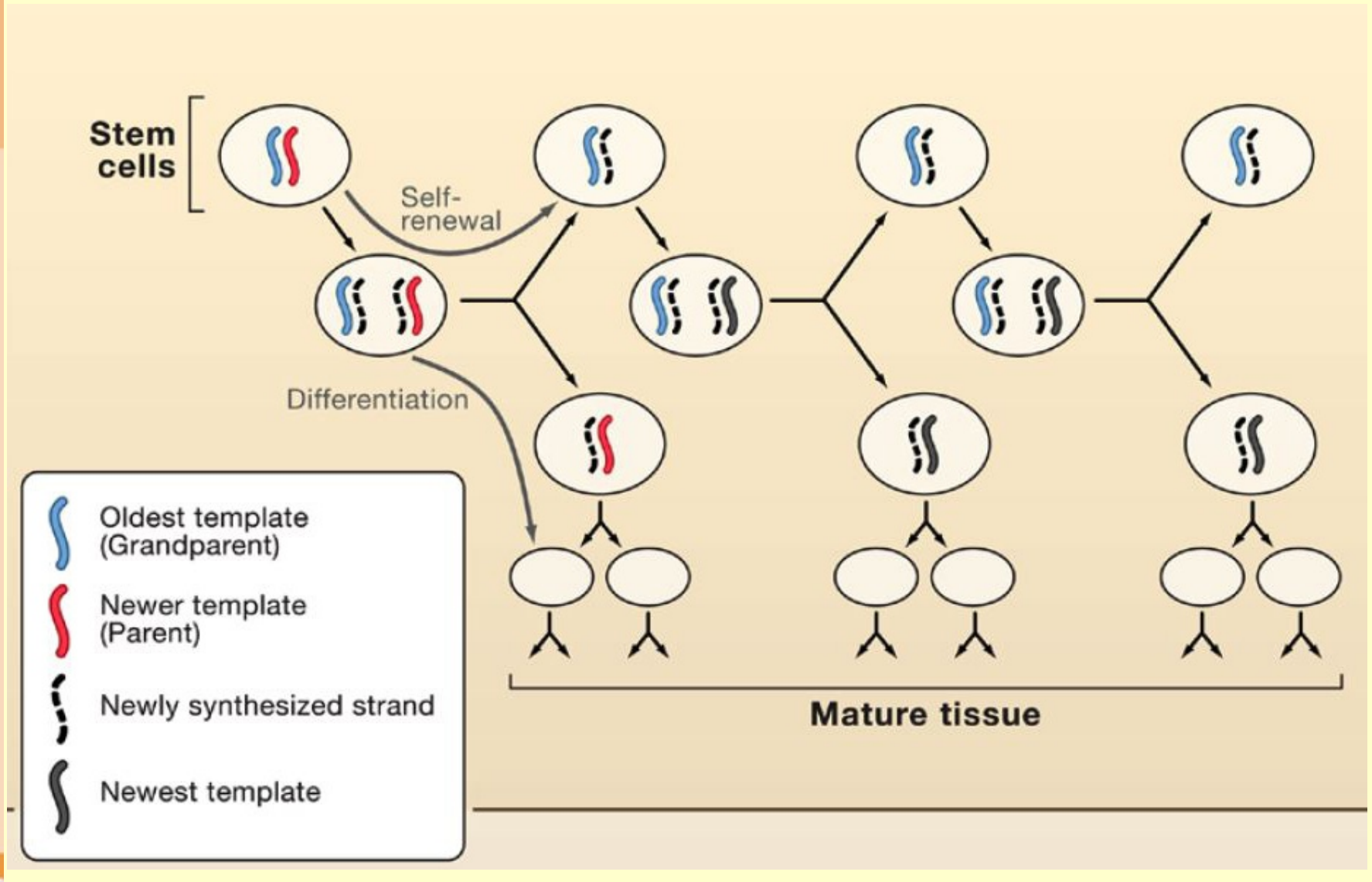
Asymmetric Stem Cell Growth with Asymmetric Parental Strand Segregation



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