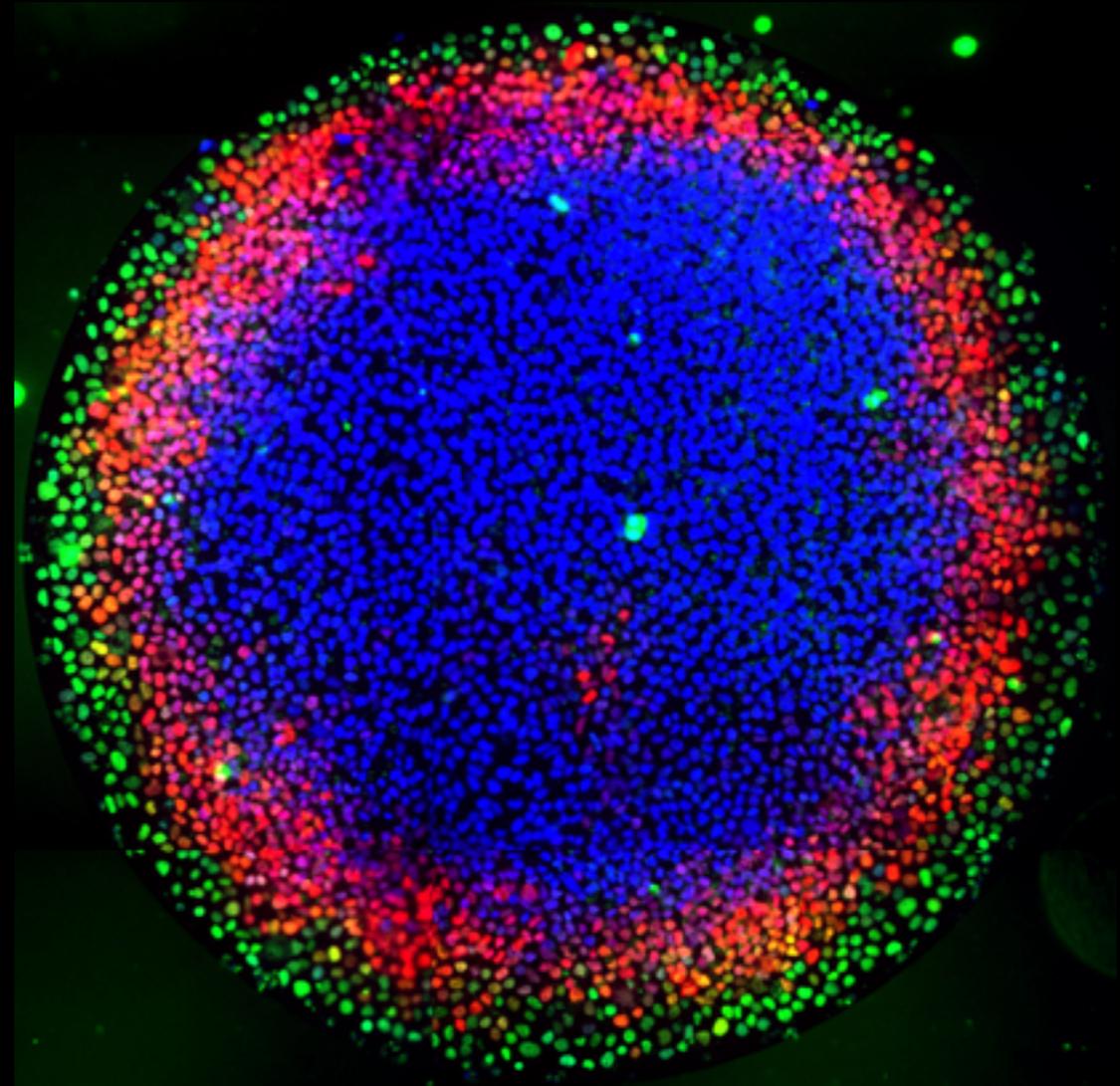
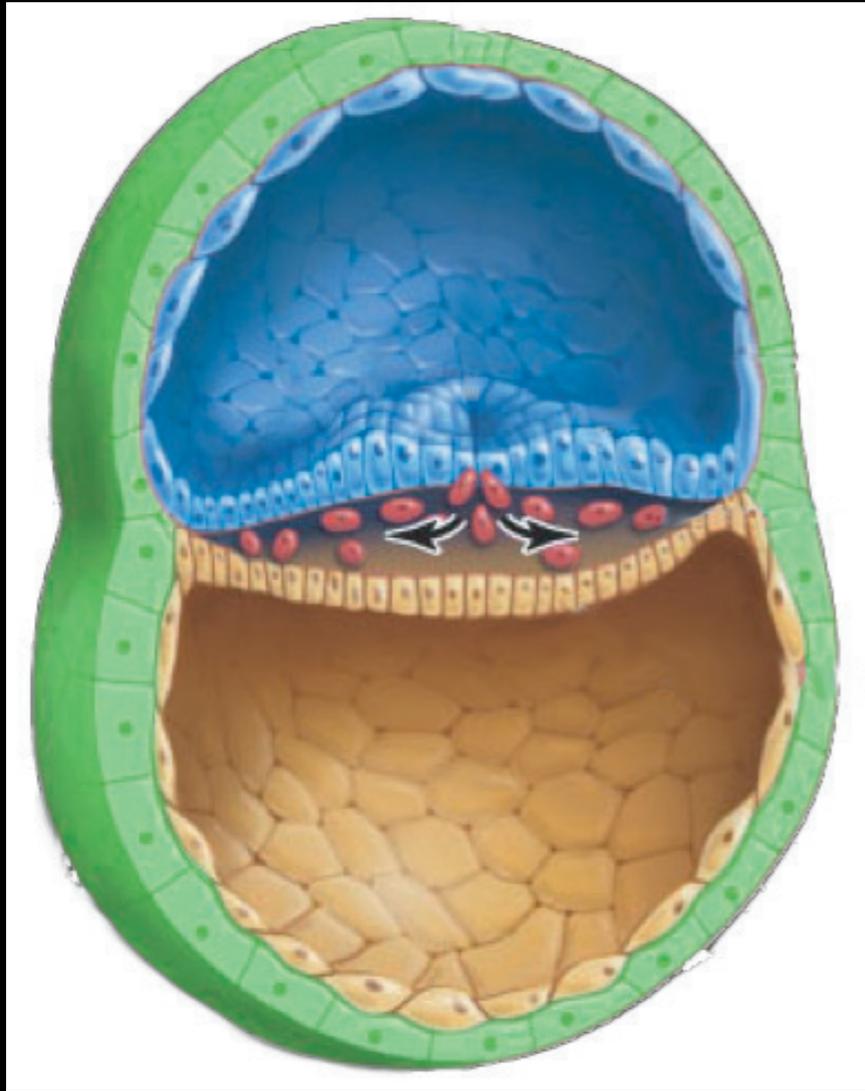


Mammalian development and embryonic stem cells



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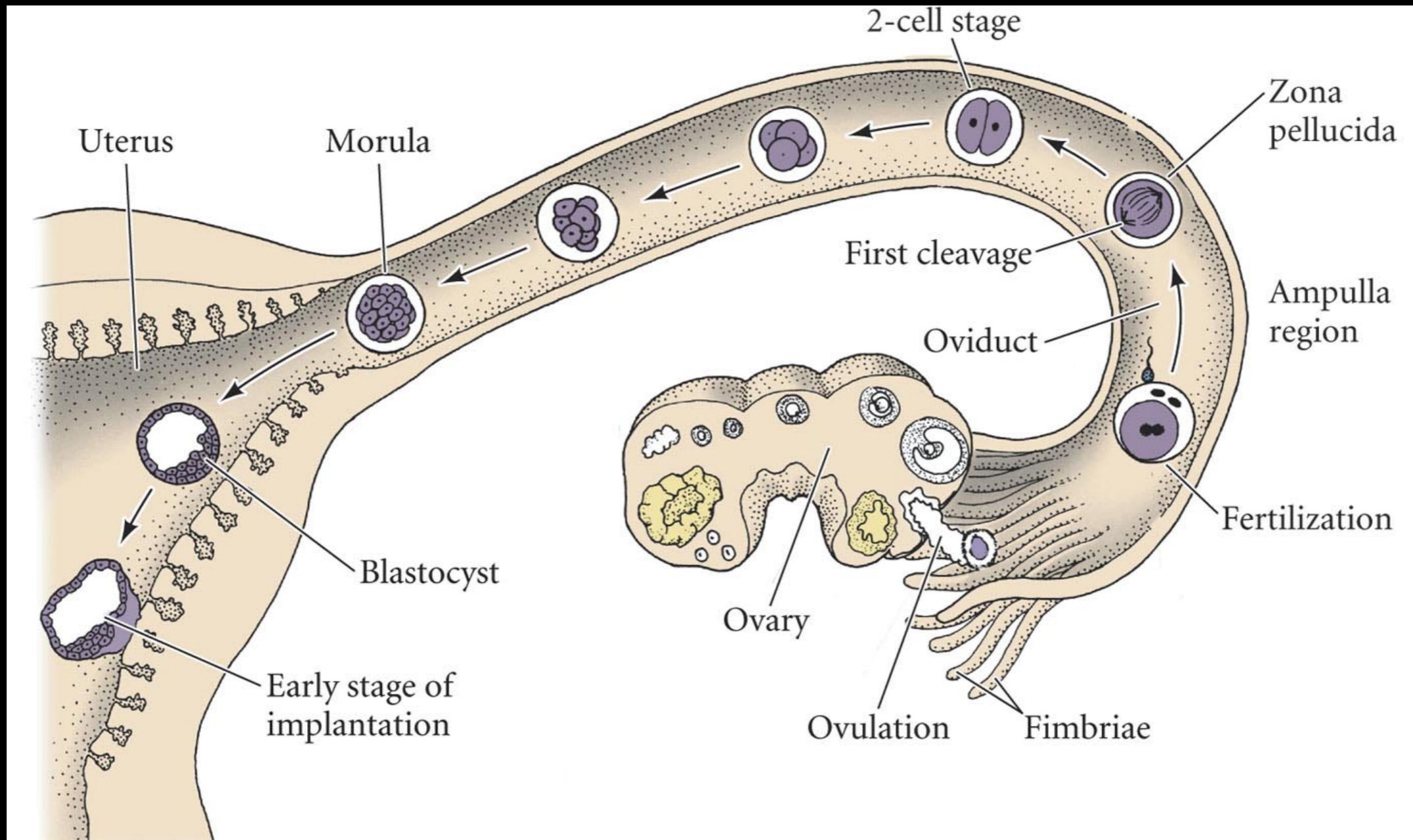
A. Early Mammalian Development

1. Fertilization through blastocyst stage
2. Mechanisms of gastrulation
3. Some things we don't know

B. Stem cells

1. Types of embryonic stem cells
2. Basic properties
3. Molecular aspects
 1. Signaling
 2. Transcription factor networks
 3. Epigenetic
4. Reprogramming
5. Uses of stem cells for studying development

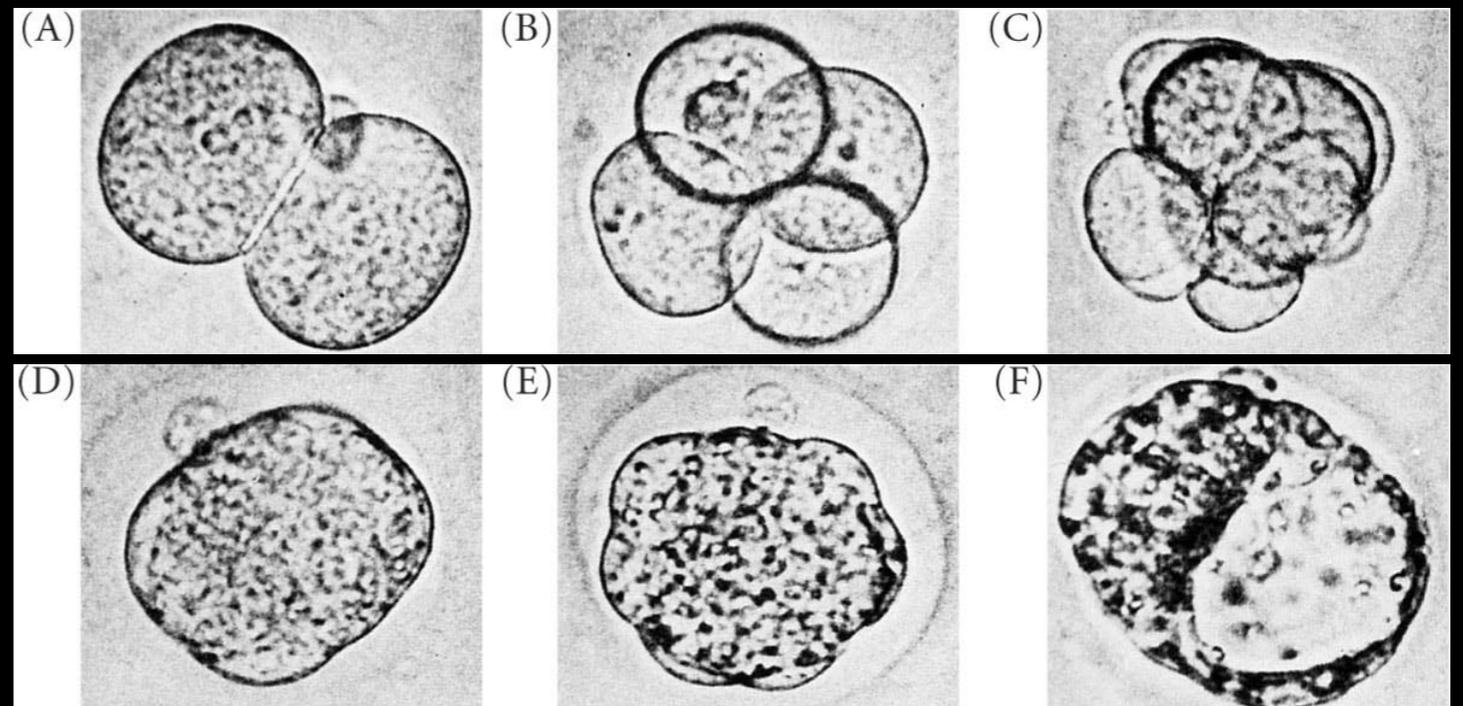
Early mammalian development



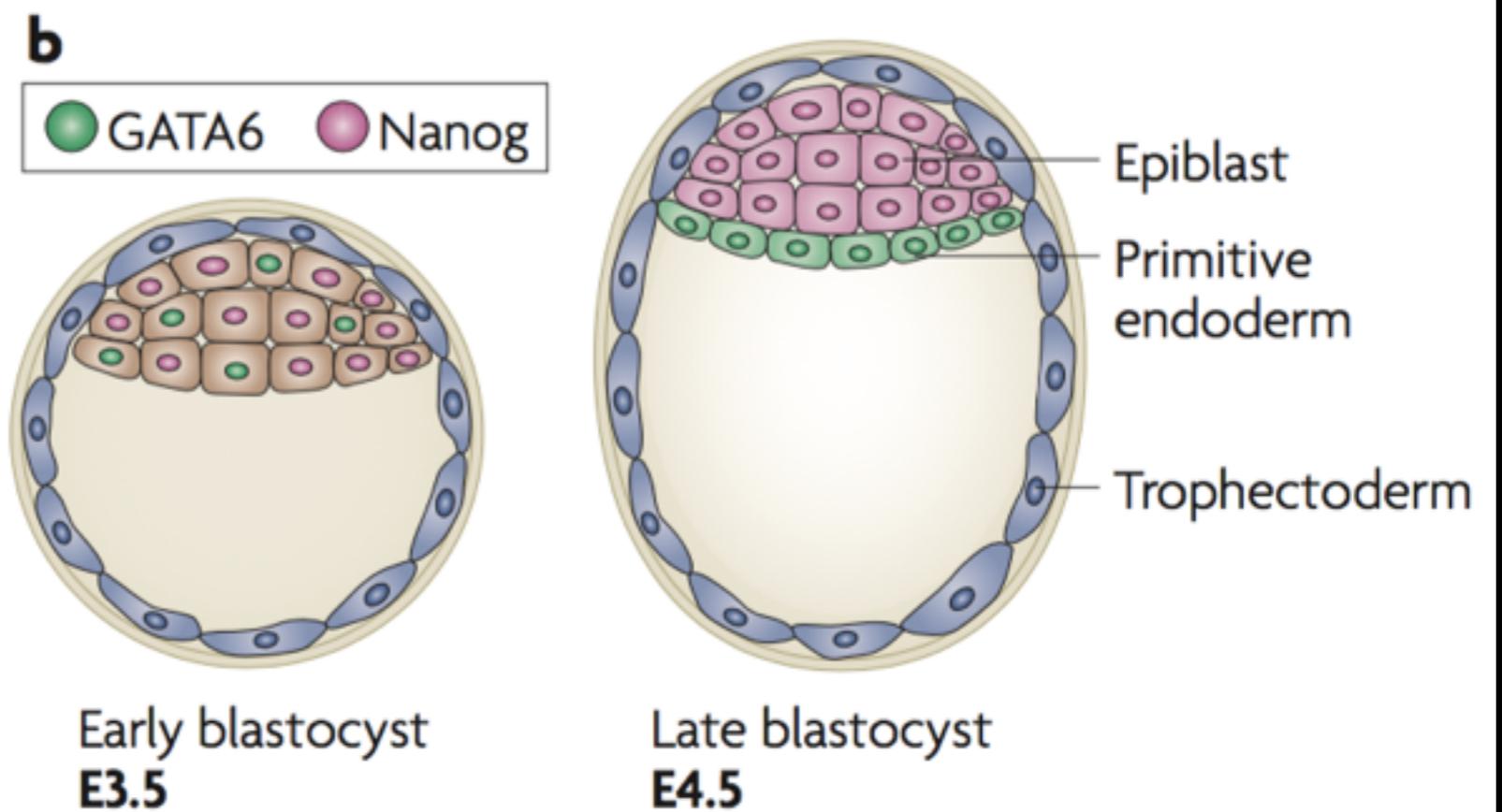
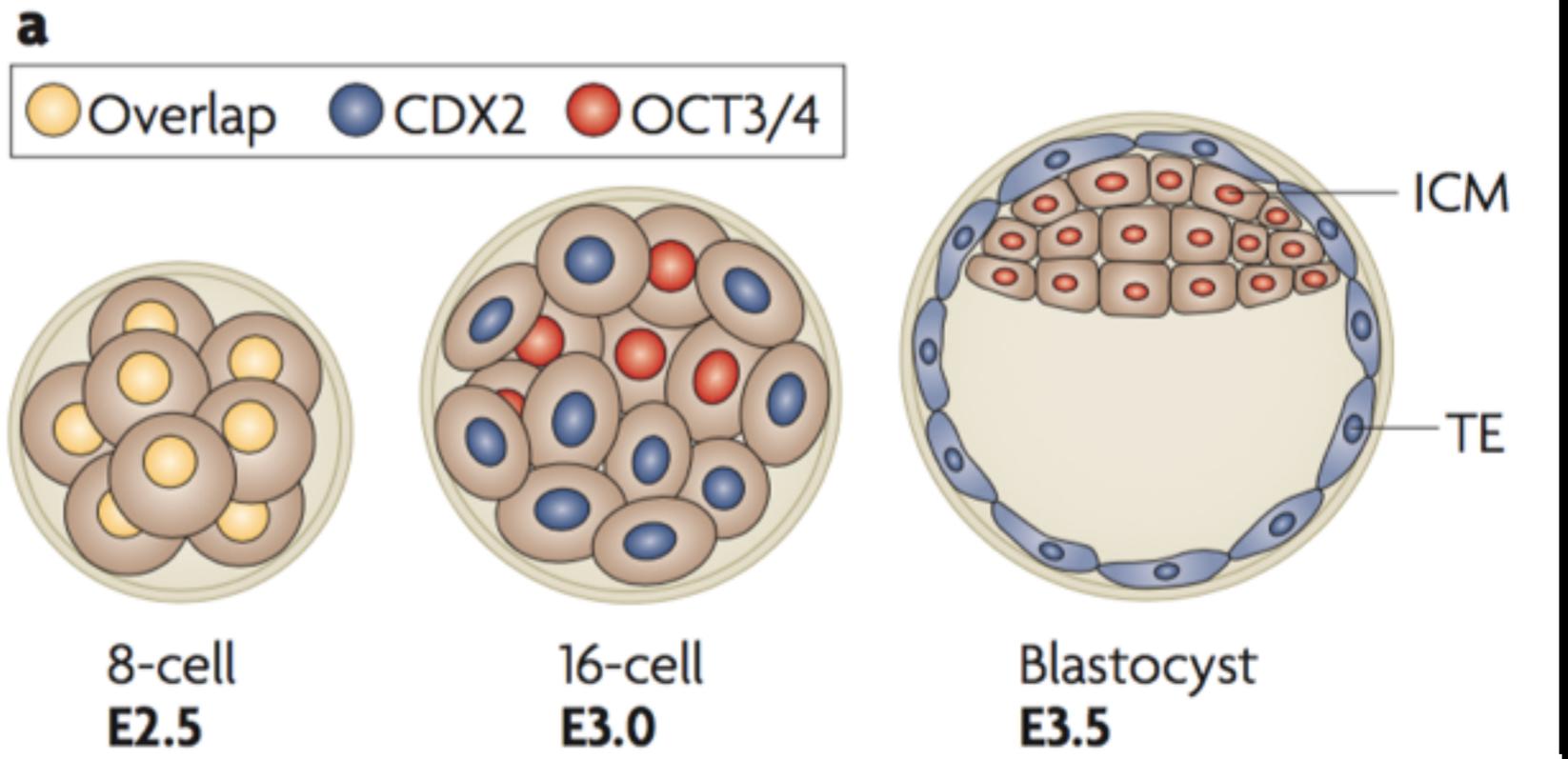
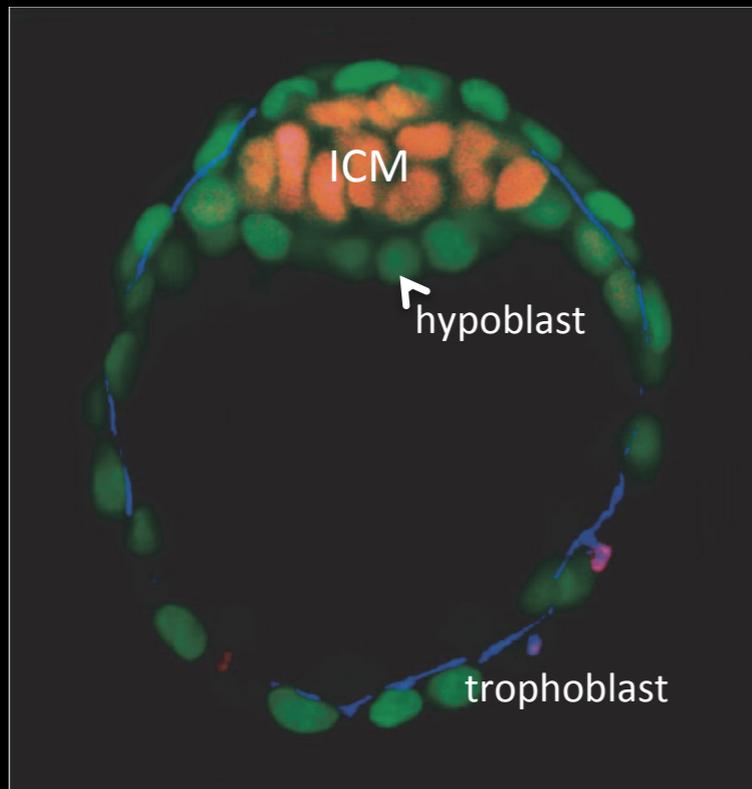
Early cleavage stages

Unique nature of mammalian cleavage

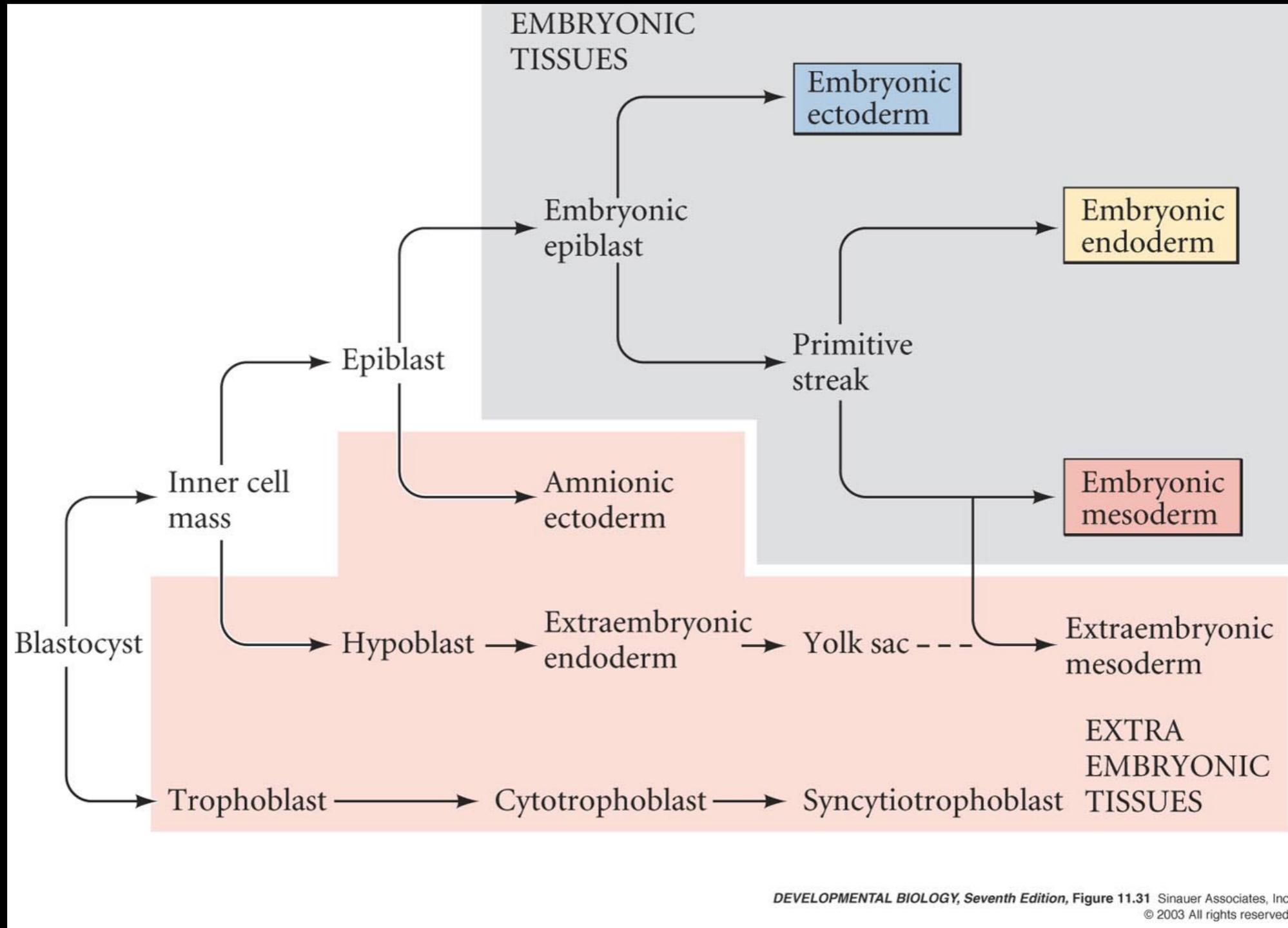
- Cleavages are slow (12-24 hrs apart).
- Zygotic genome is activated early (2-4 cell stage).
- Lack of maternally generated prepatter



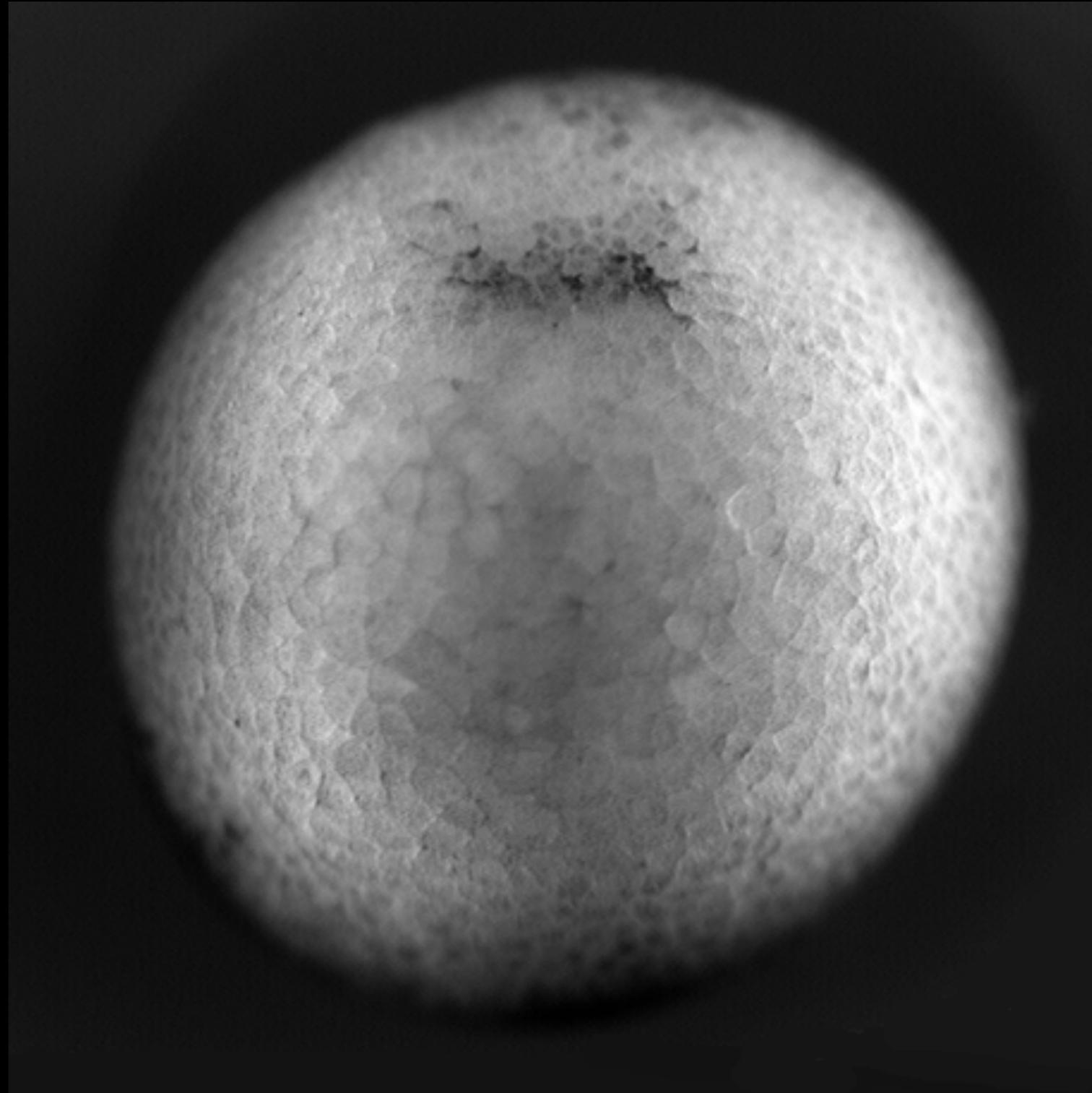
Pregastrulation development



Summary of lineage decisions in the mammalian embryo

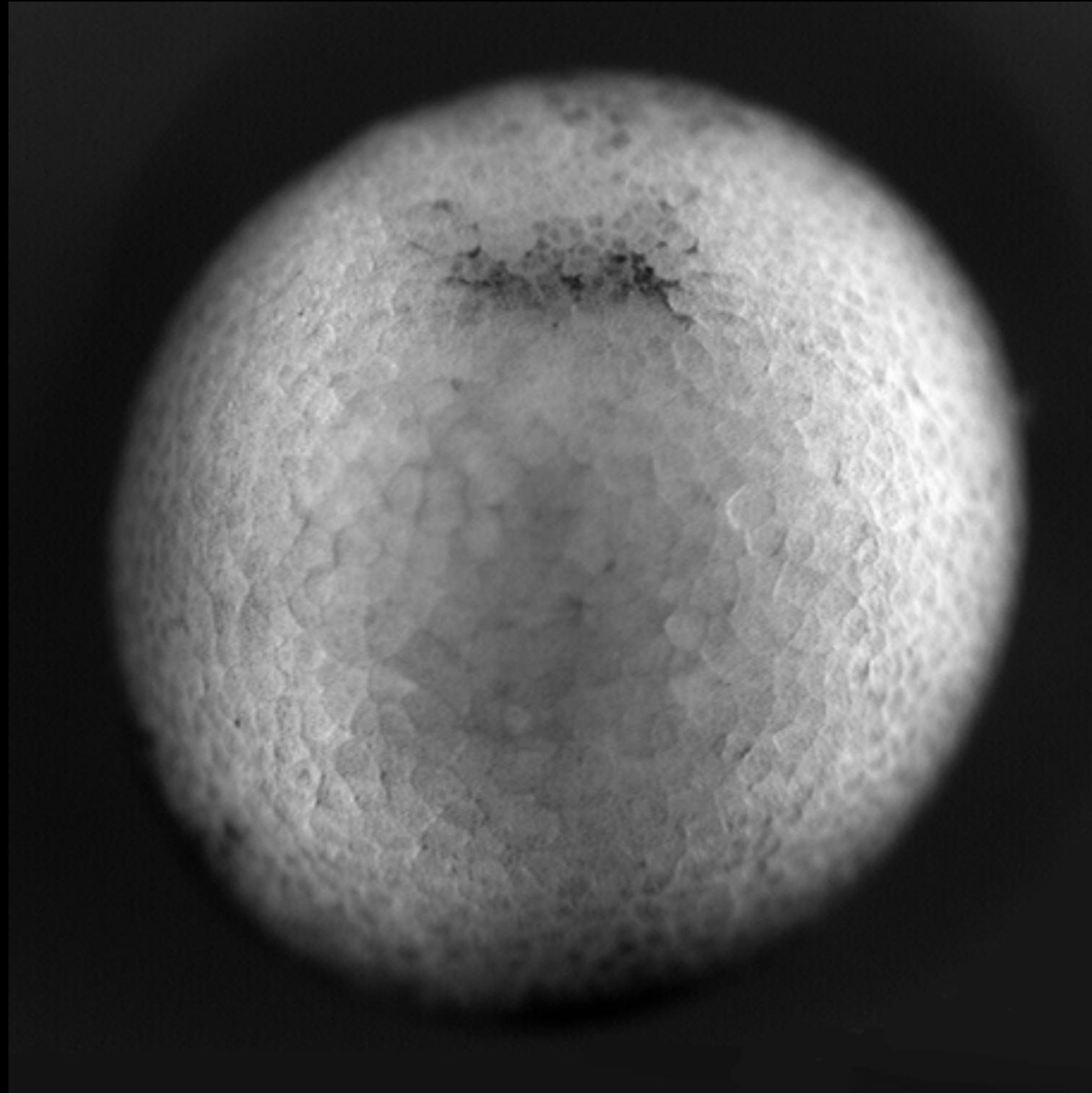


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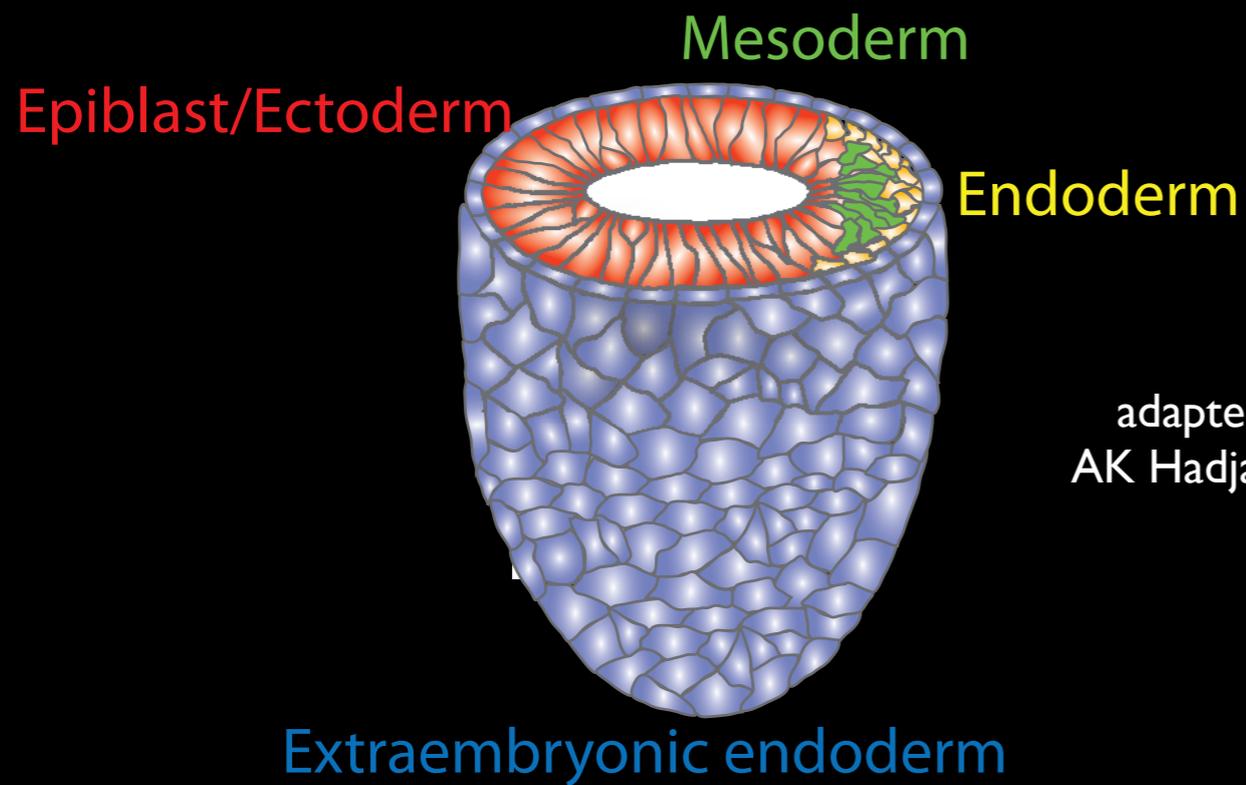
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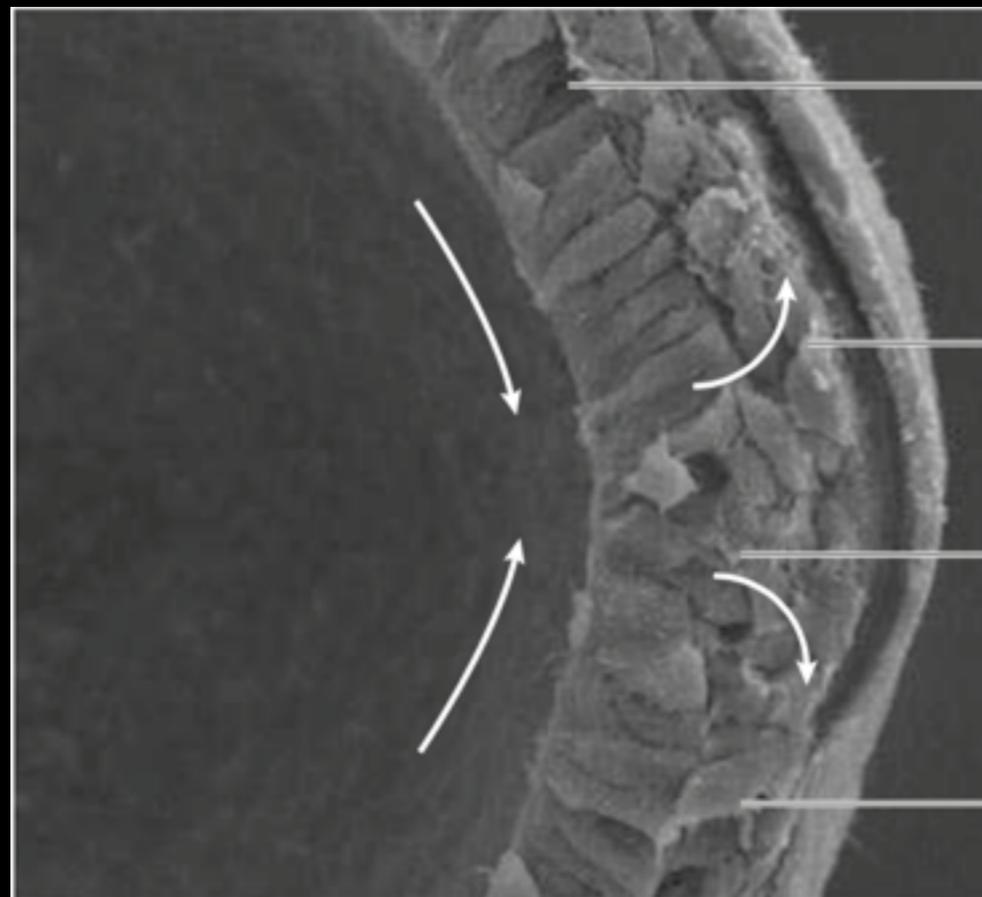
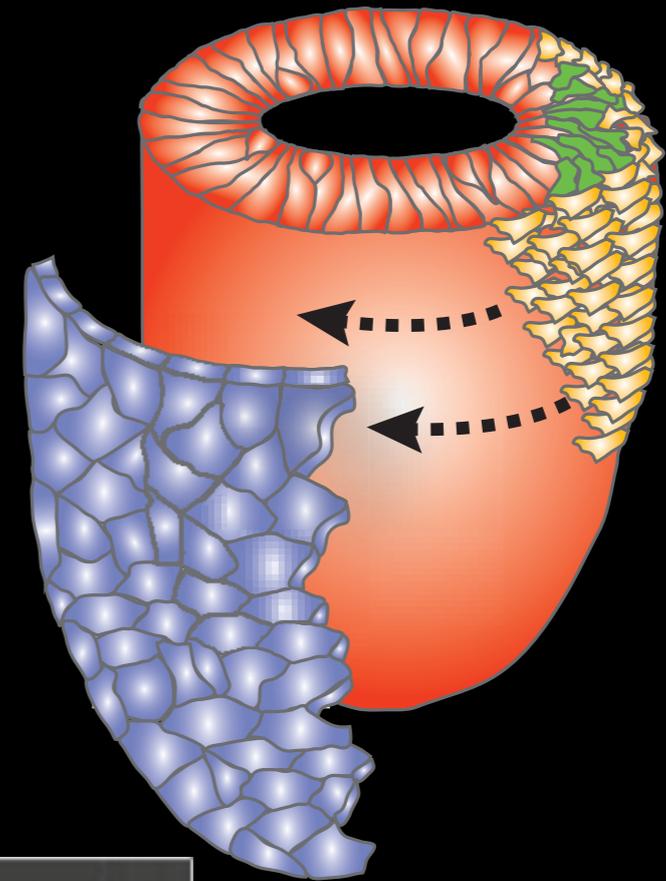


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Gastrulation - creating the three germ layers



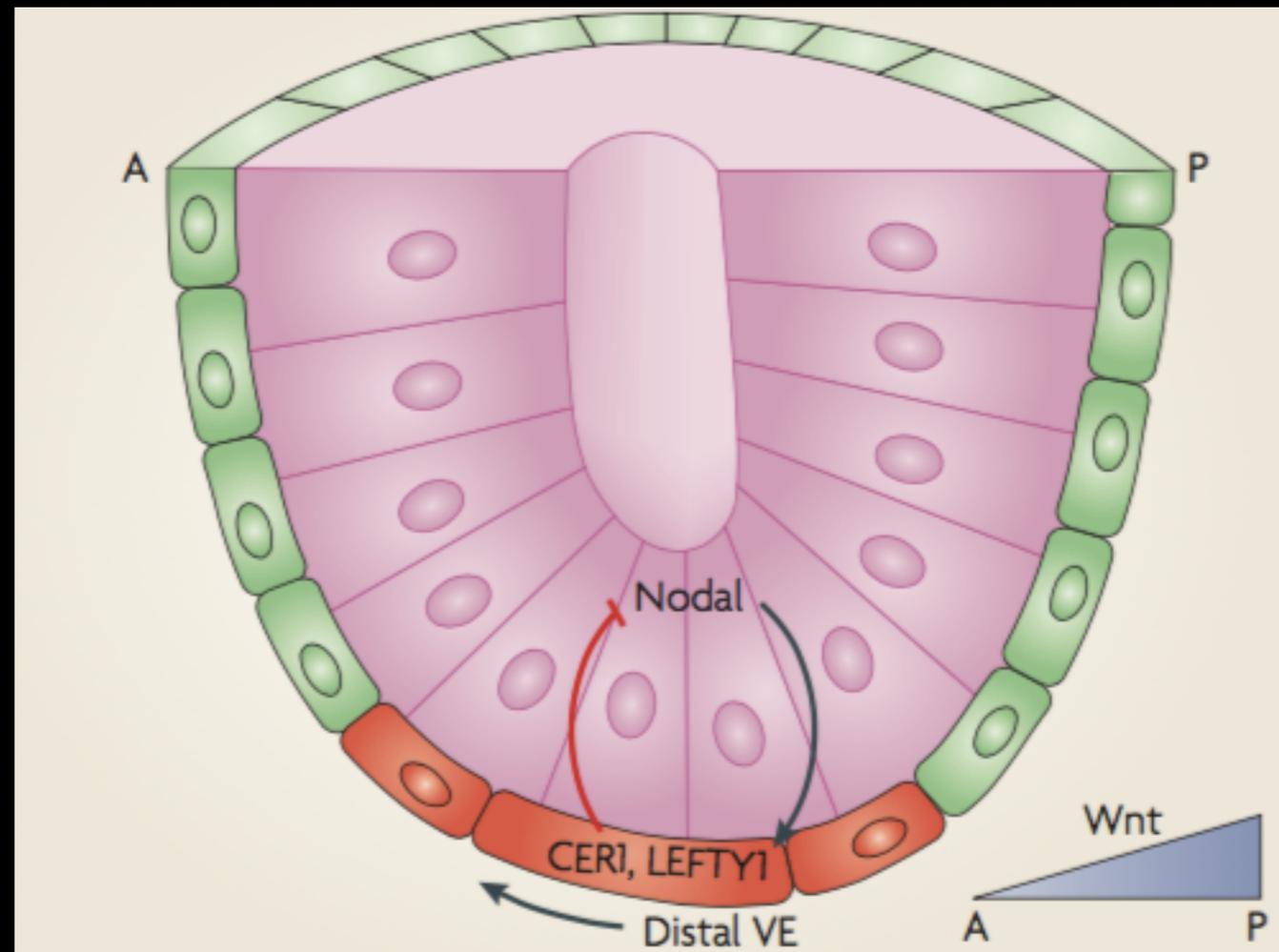
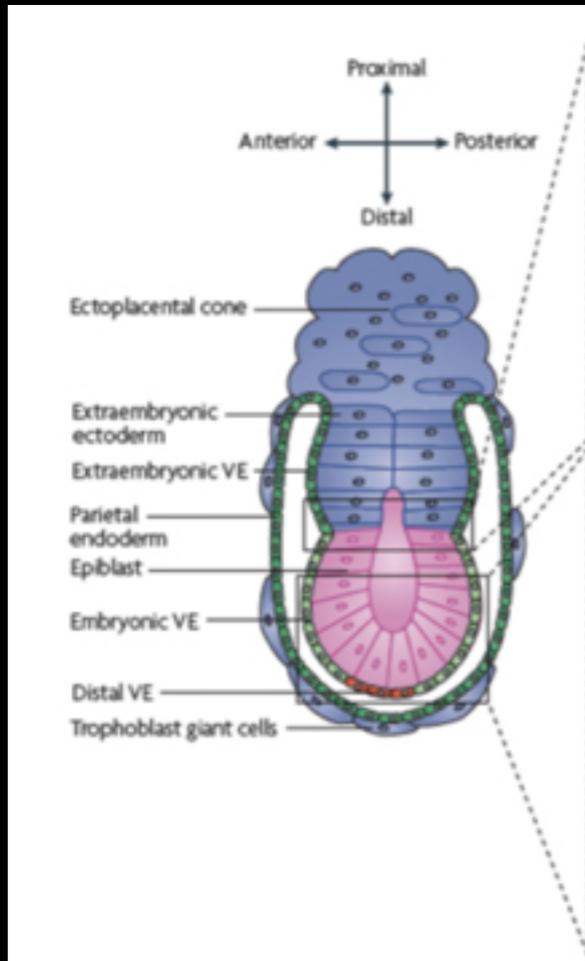
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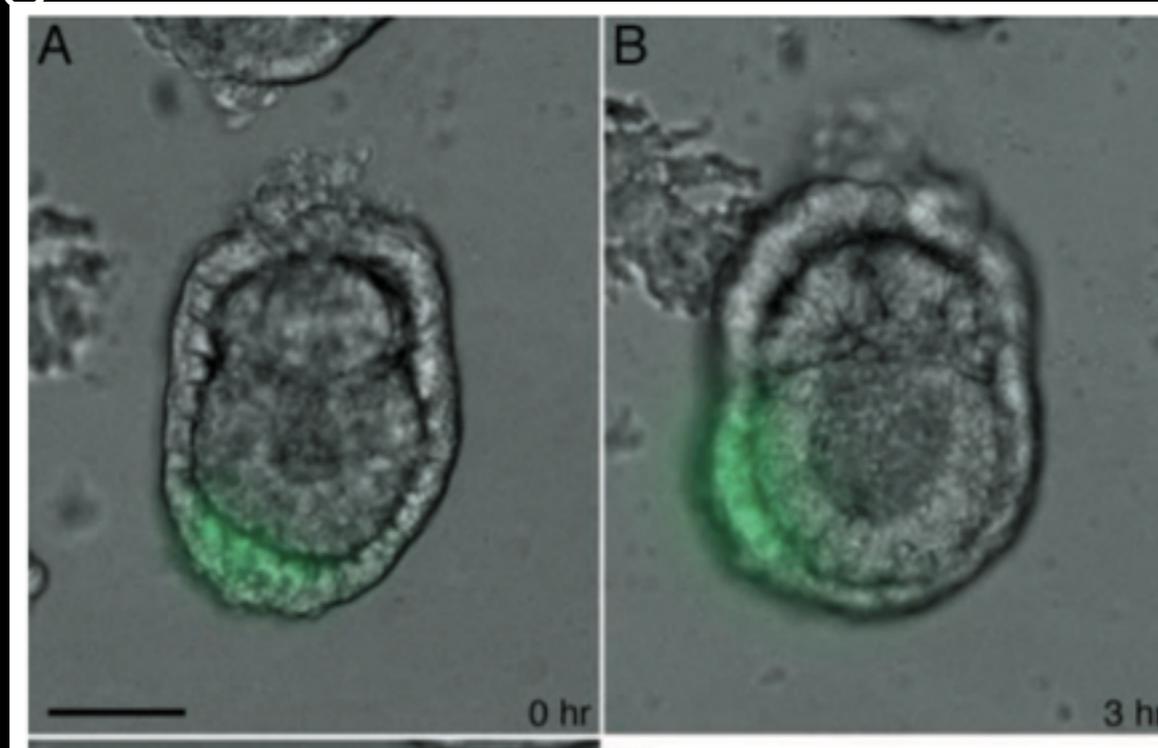
Arnold & Robertson
Nat Rev Mol Cell Biol 2009

Molecular basis of gastrulation

1. Nodal induces its own inhibitors at the distal tip of the embryo in the distal visceral endoderm (DVE).

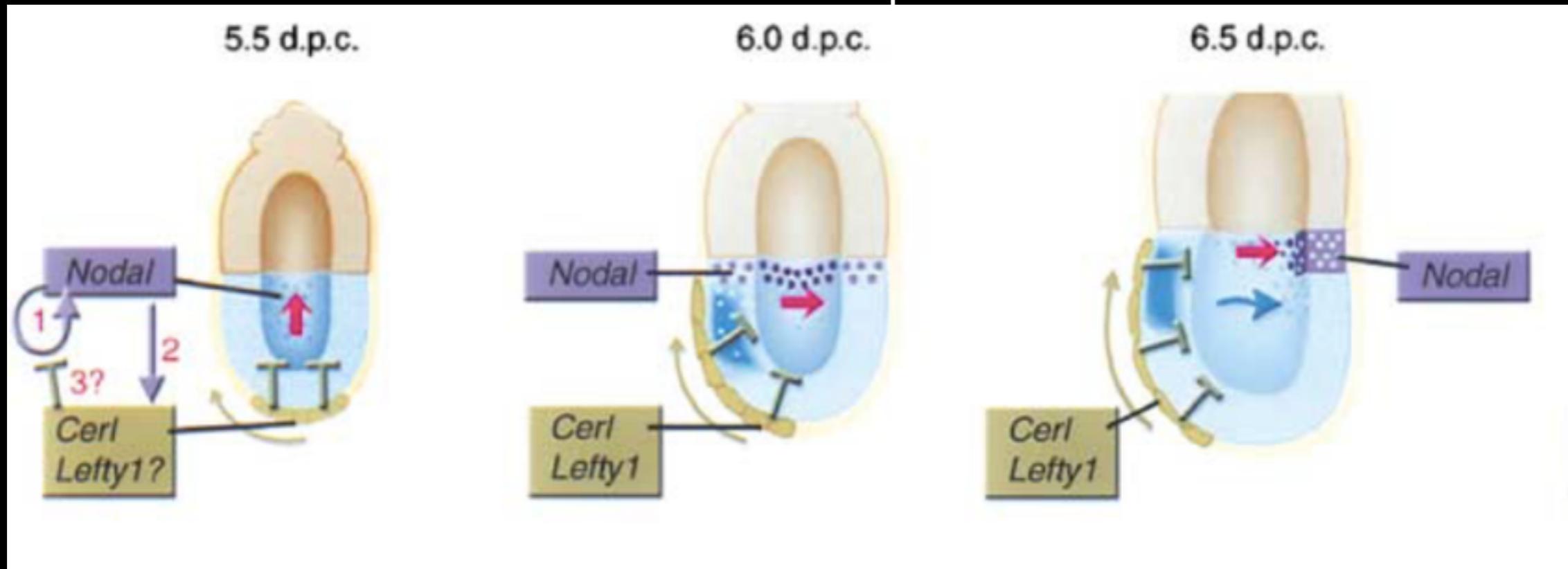


2. DVE migrates to the anterior side

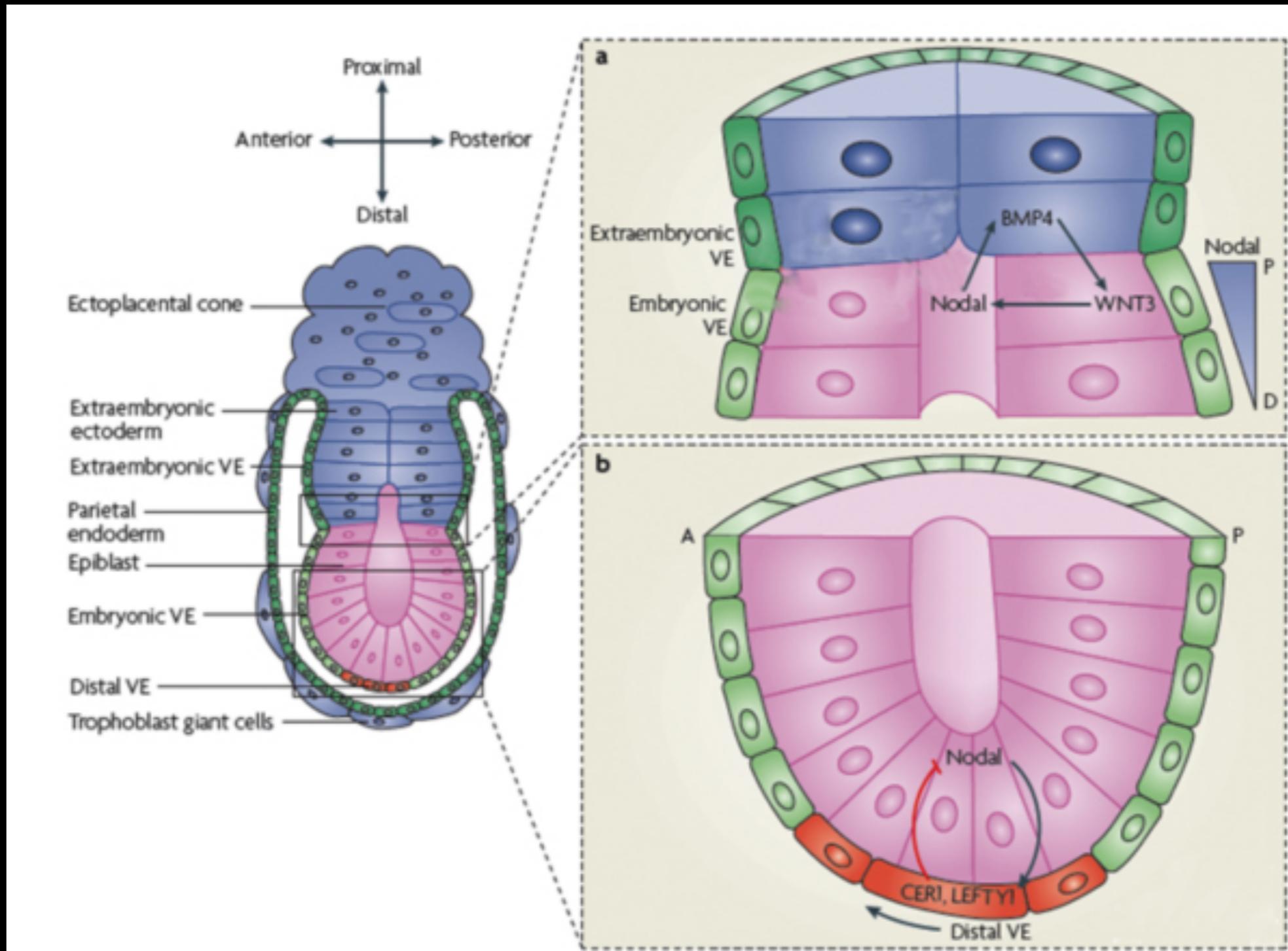


Srinivas et al Development 2004

3. Presence of inhibitors on the anterior side causes restriction of Nodal to the posterior



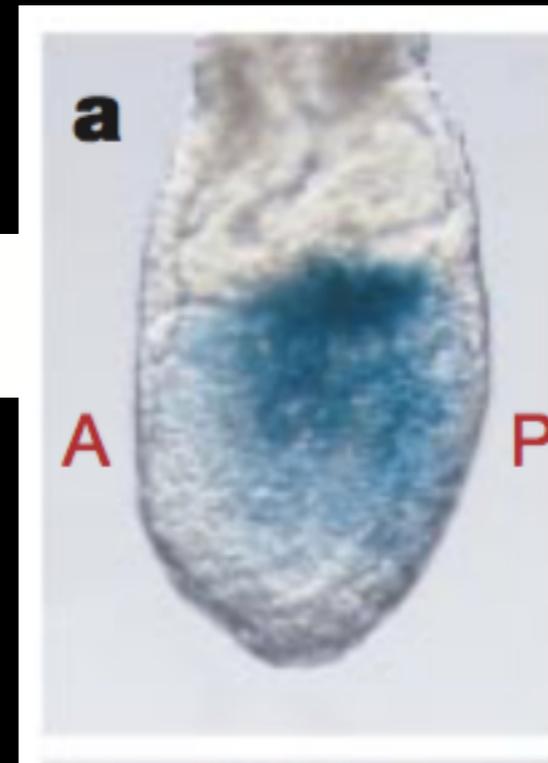
4. A positive feedback loop of three signaling pathways maintains posterior/distal expression and is necessary for gastrulation



Issues with this model

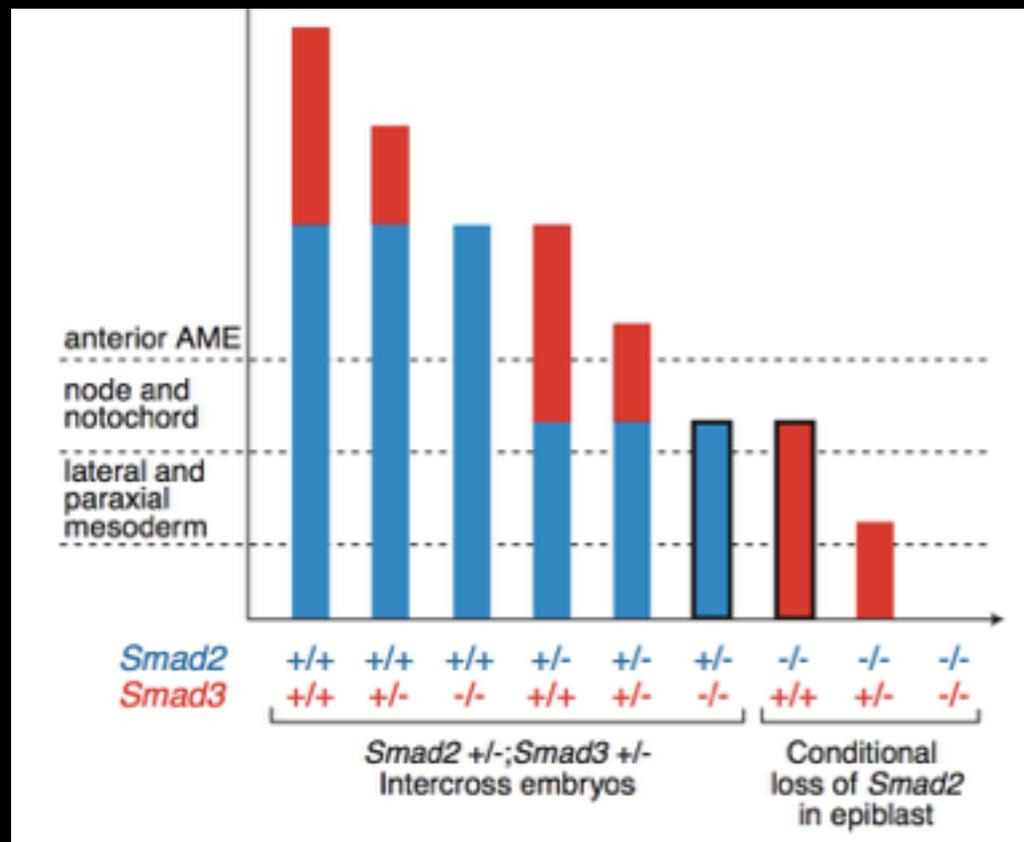
1. State of the data

Nodal^{lacZ} reporter allele



Brennan et al Nature 2001

-Most of our evidence is indirect from genetic knockouts



Dunn et al Development 2004

2. Do we really understand how Nodal works

A. Are expression patterns consistent with function?

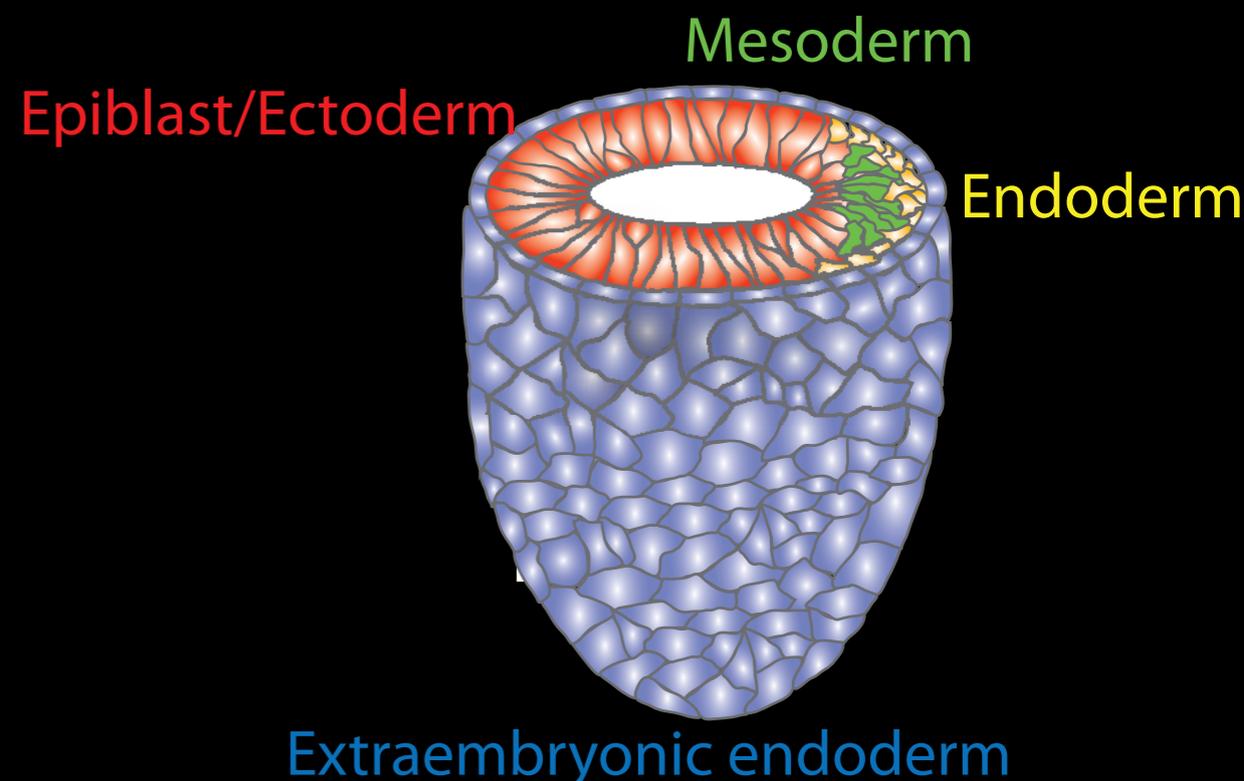
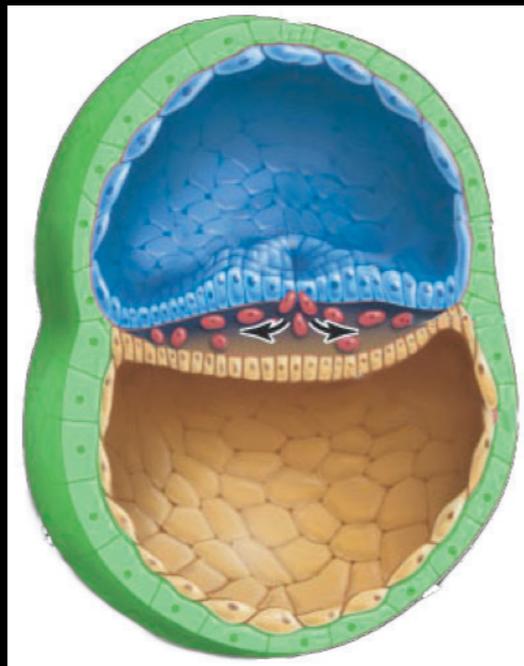
-How does it induce the DVE at the distal tip, if it is in a PD gradient

-Nodal is expressed throughout the epiblast prior to gastrulation

B. Does Nodal RNA \rightarrow Nodal protein \rightarrow Activity? We have no data

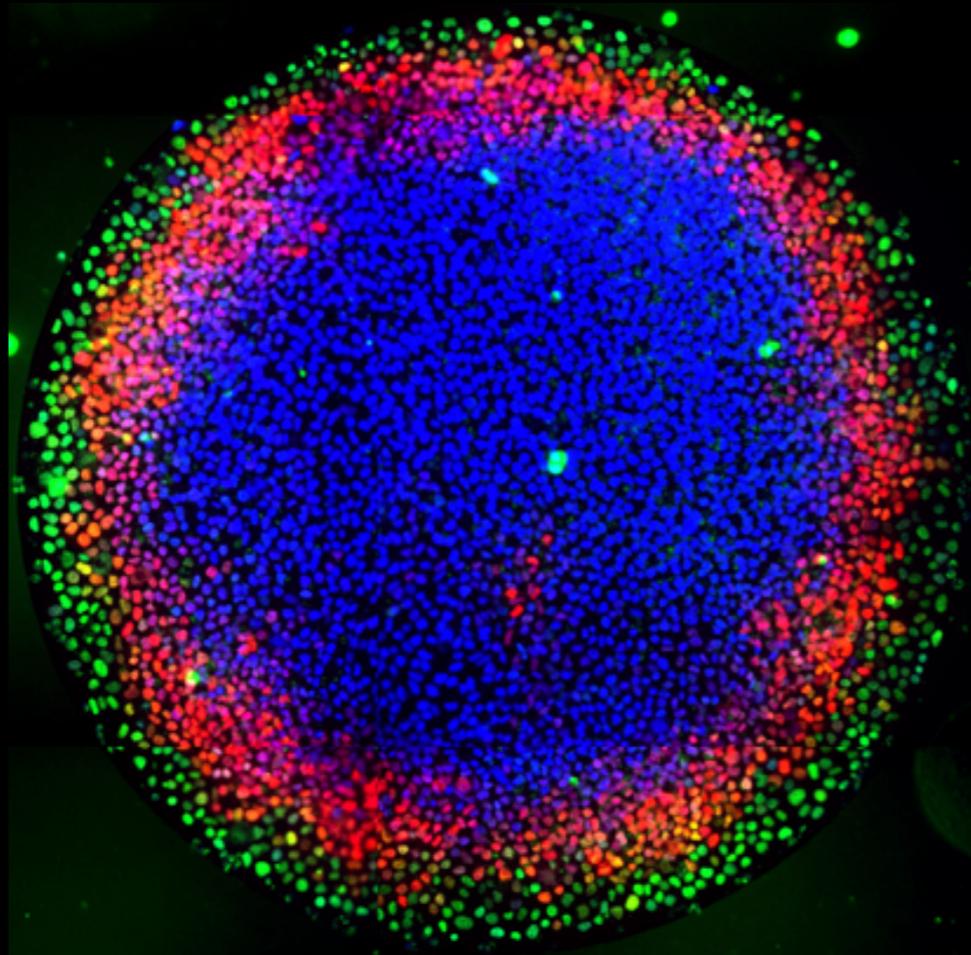
C. Nodal gradient must be dynamic, how do cells interpret changing signals

D. Human \neq Mouse !!

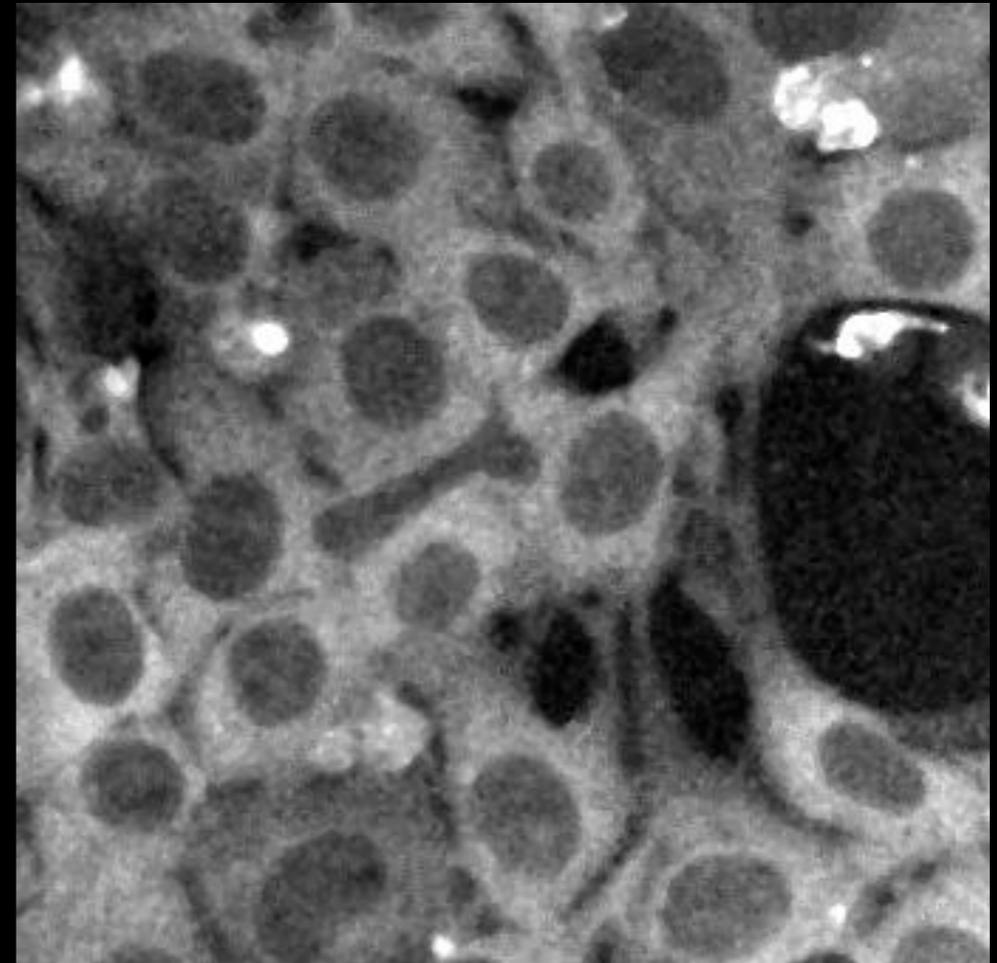


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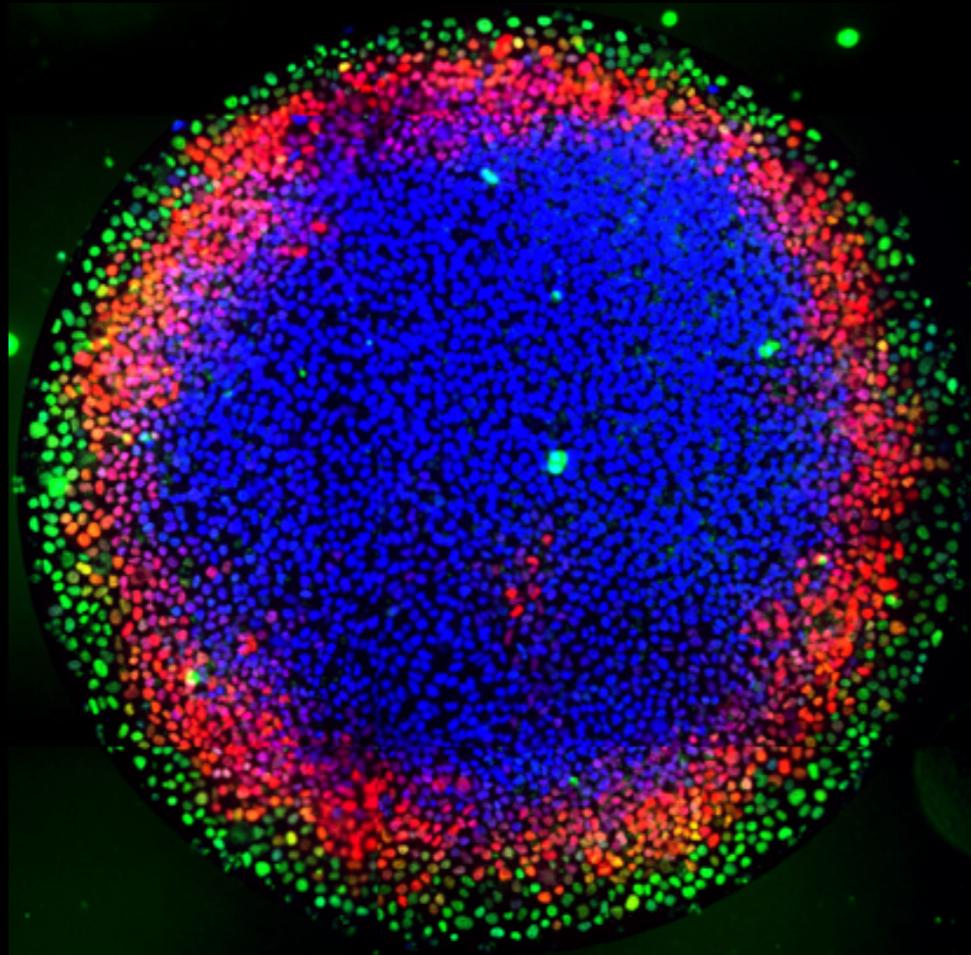


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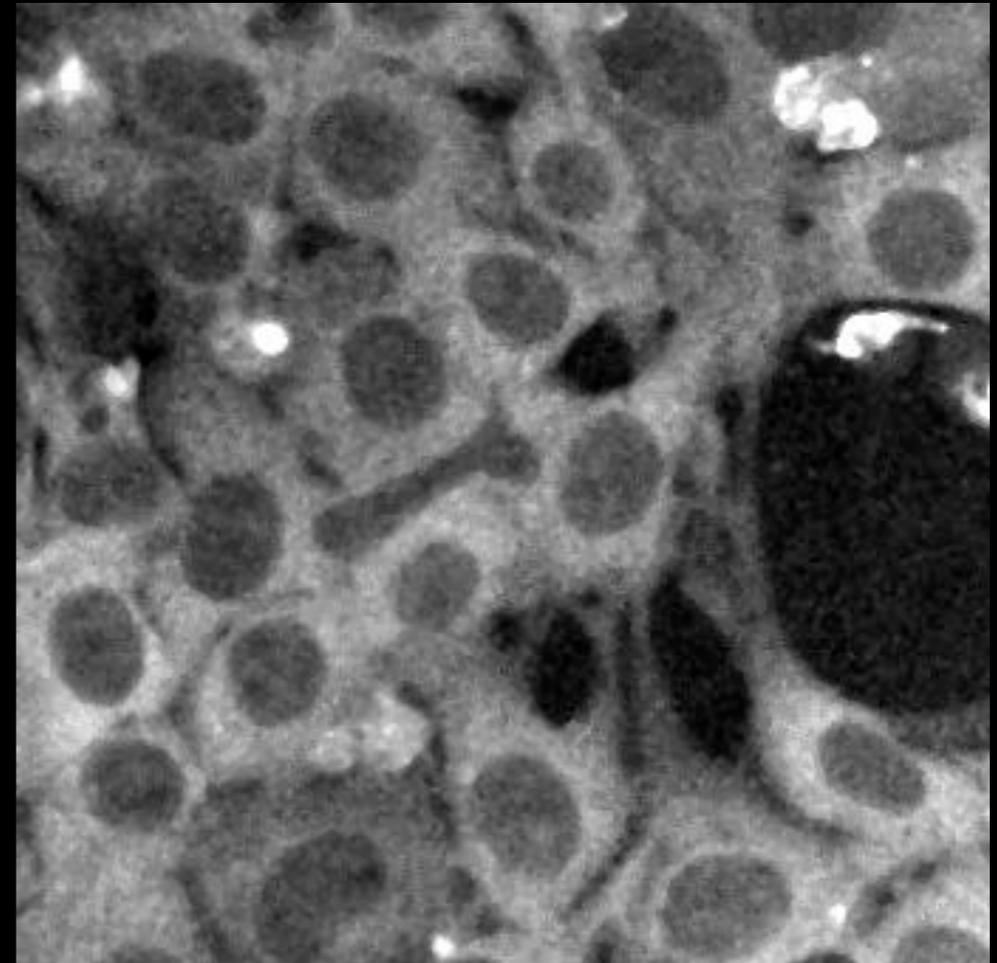


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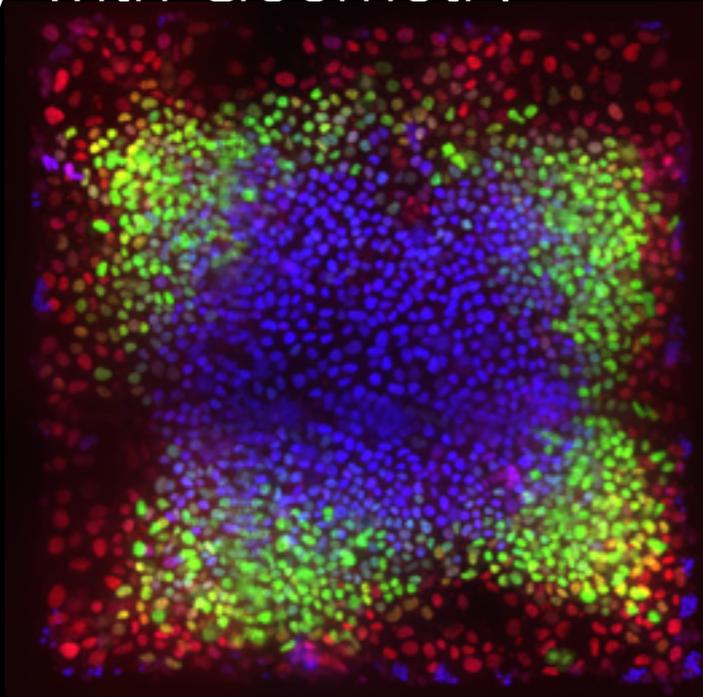
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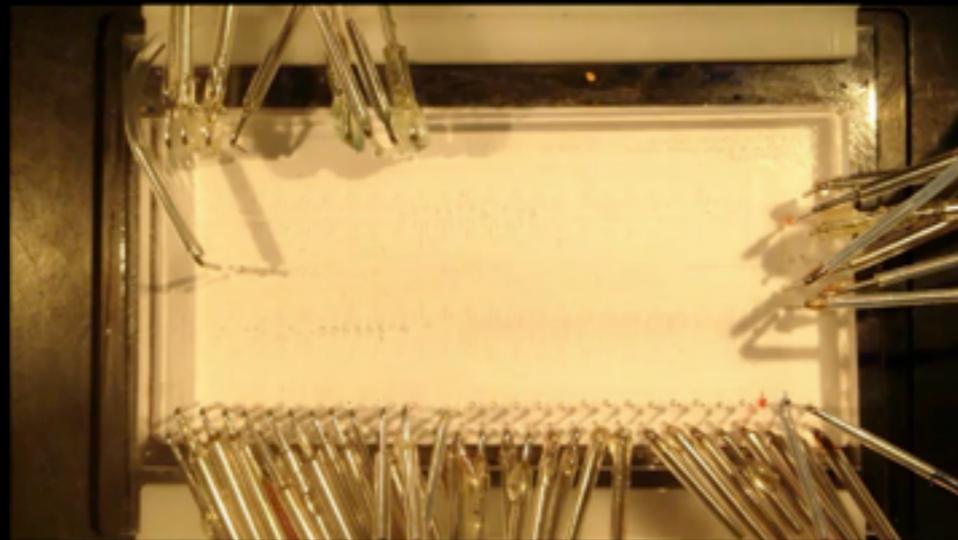


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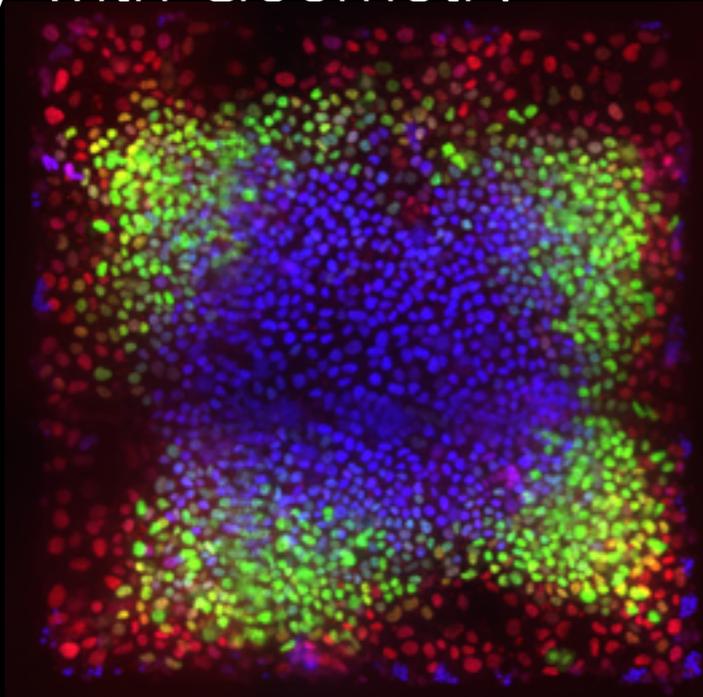
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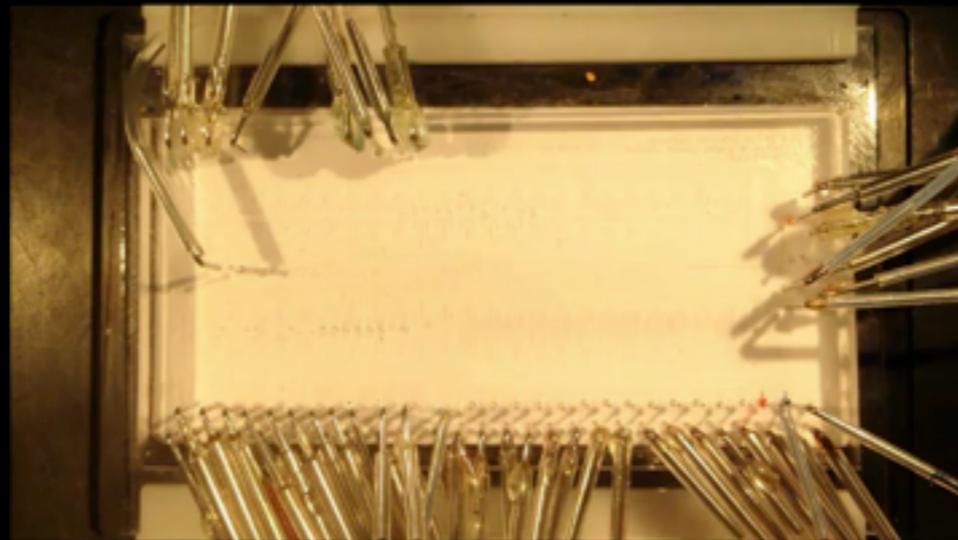
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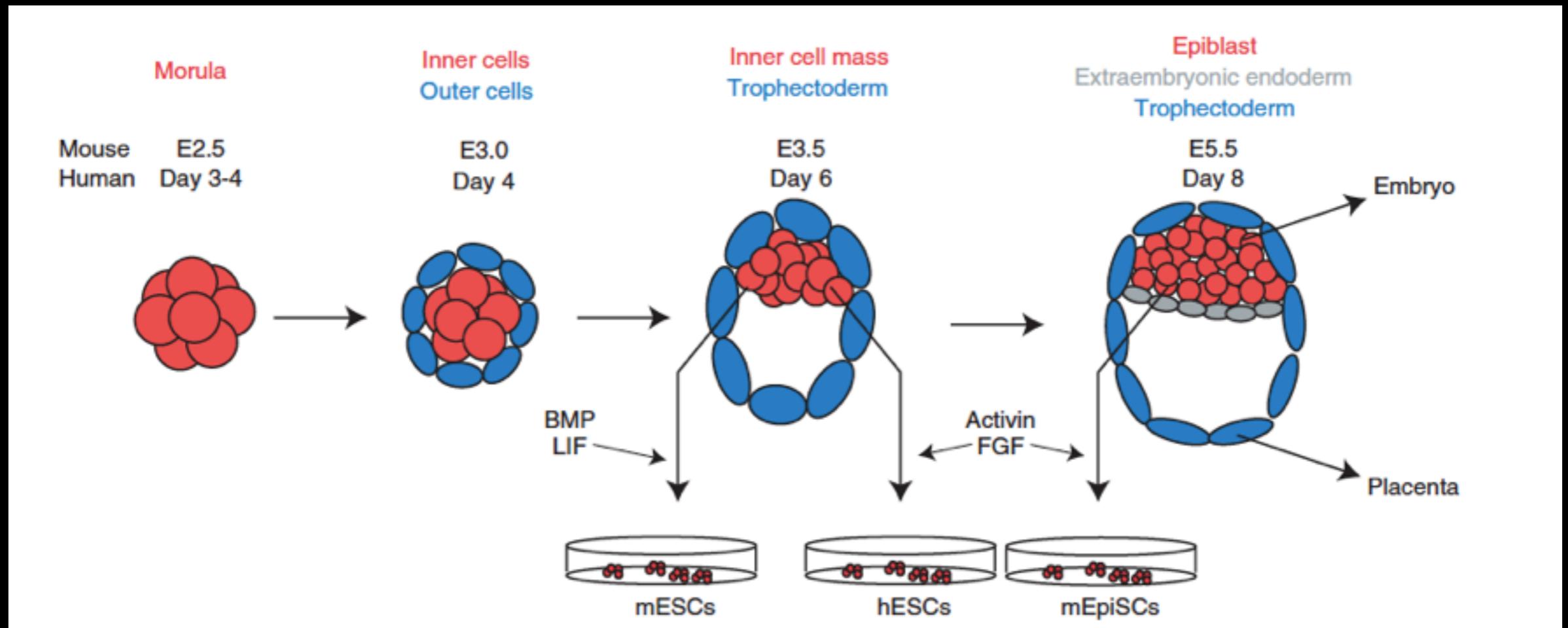
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Stem cells come from early embryos



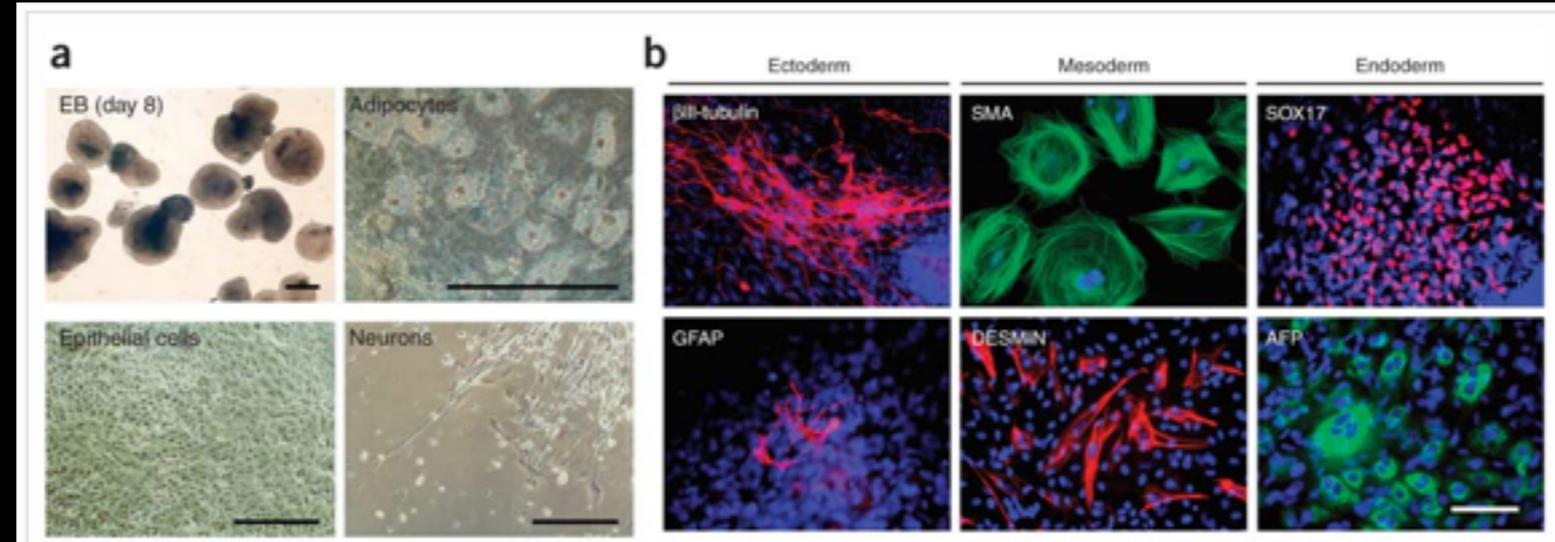
Note mESCs and hESCs come from the embryos at same stage but represent different stages of development

We are able to do this because of the unique features of early mammalian embryogenesis

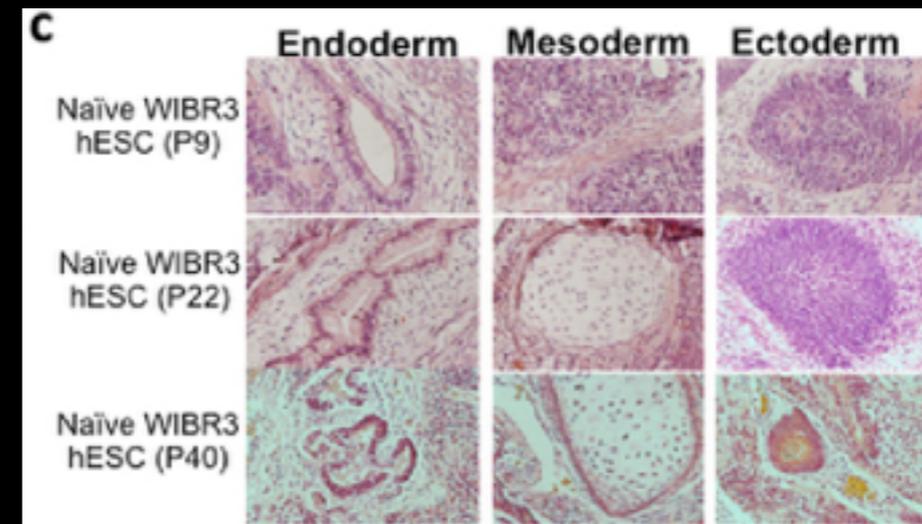
How can we tell if cells are pluripotent?

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1. Embryoid body formation



2. Teratoma formation



3. tetraploid complementation

Hybrid vigor, fetal overgrowth, and viability of mice derived by nuclear cloning and tetraploid embryo complementation

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ICM-like stem cells

PNAS 1981

Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA
Vol. 78, No. 12, pp. 7634-7638, December 1981
Developmental Biology

Isolation of a pluripotent cell line from early mouse embryos cultured in medium conditioned by teratocarcinoma stem cells

(embryonic stem cells/inner cell masses/differentiation *in vitro*/embryonal carcinoma cells/growth factors)

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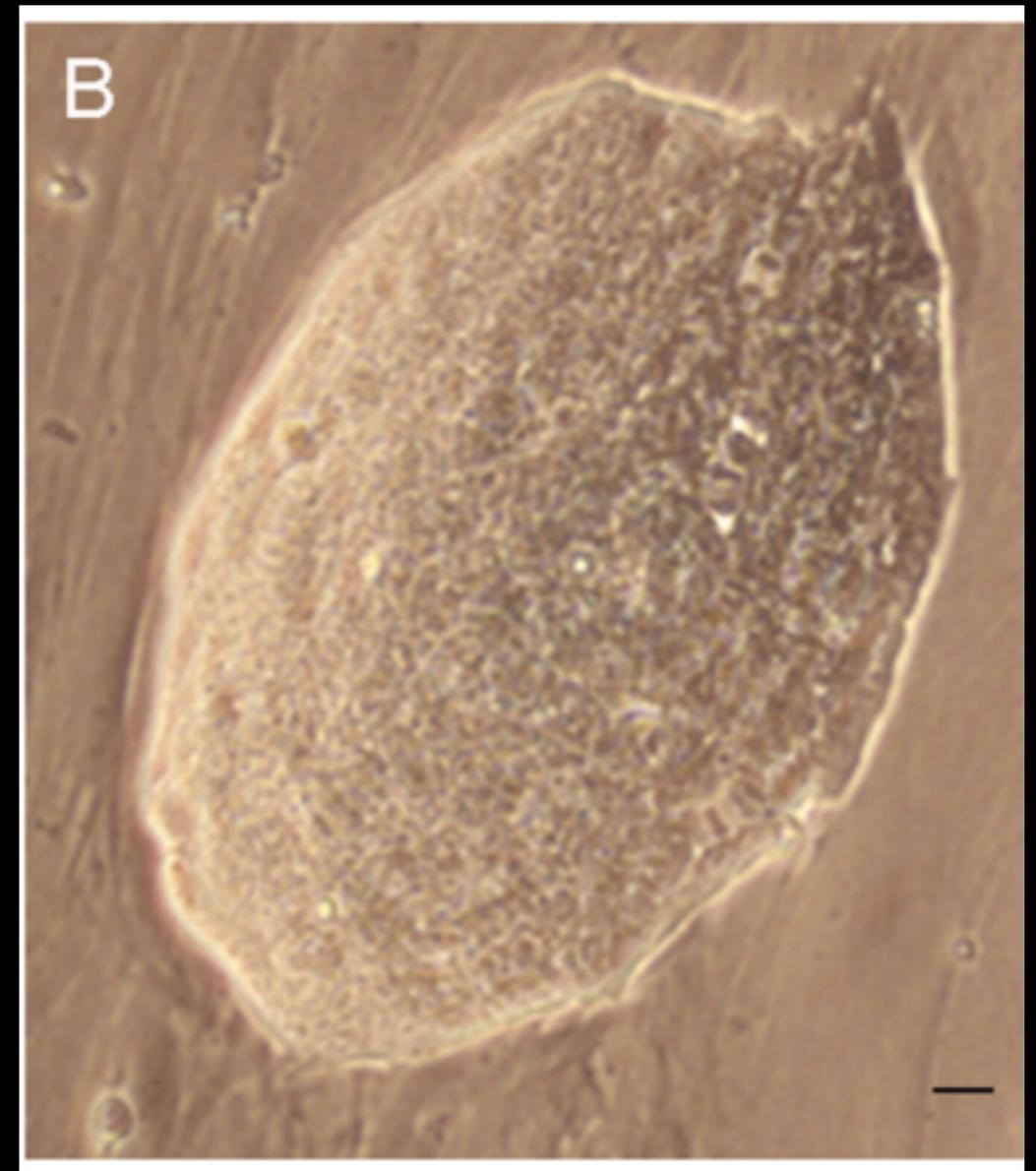
Communicated by J. Michael Bishop, September 14, 1981

Nature 1981

Establishment in culture of pluripotential cells from mouse embryos

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mouse embryonic stem cells on a feeder layer

Grow in piled up balls of cells that mimic the ICM *in vivo*.

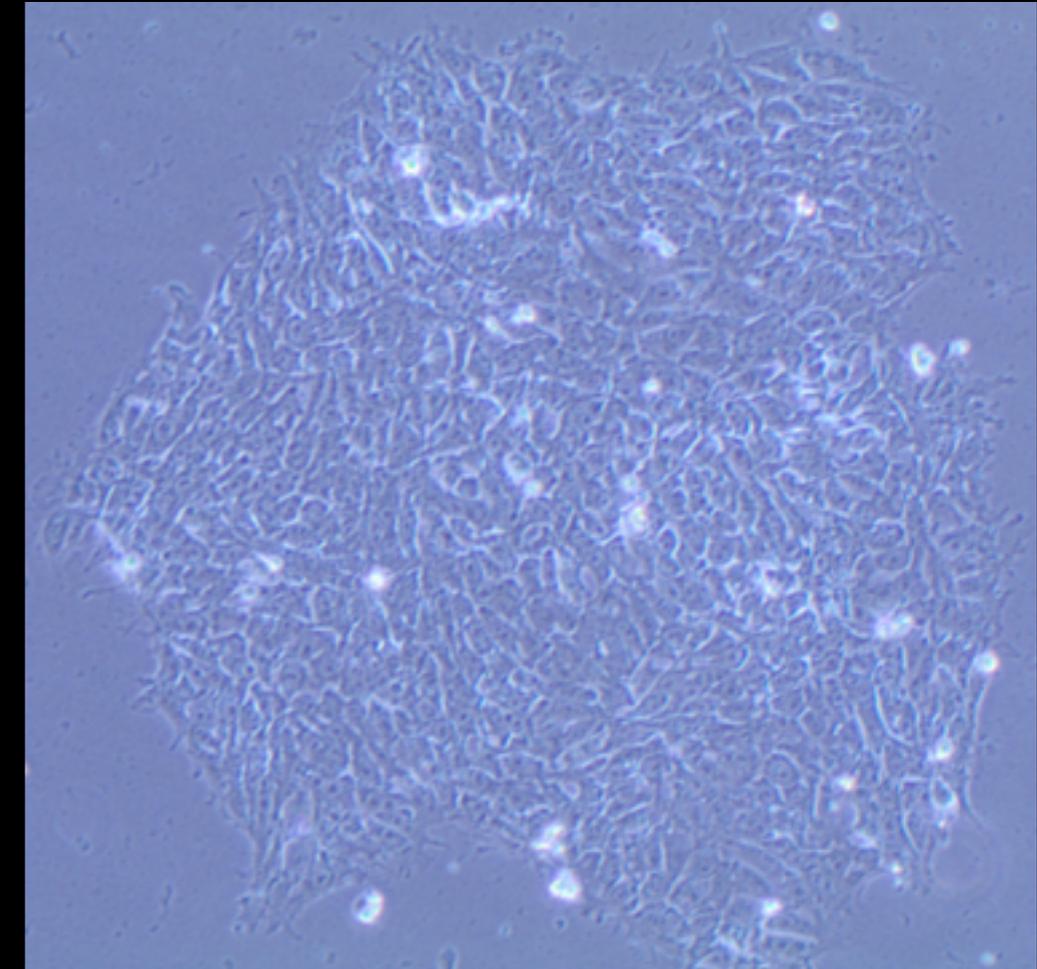
Epiblast-like stem cells

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Embryonic Stem Cell Lines Derived from Human Blastocysts

James A. Thomson,* Joseph Itskovitz-Eldor, Sander S. Shapiro,
Michelle A. Waknitz, Jennifer J. Swiergiel, Vivienne S. Marshall,
Jeffrey M. Jones

Science 1998



Human embryonic stem cell colony

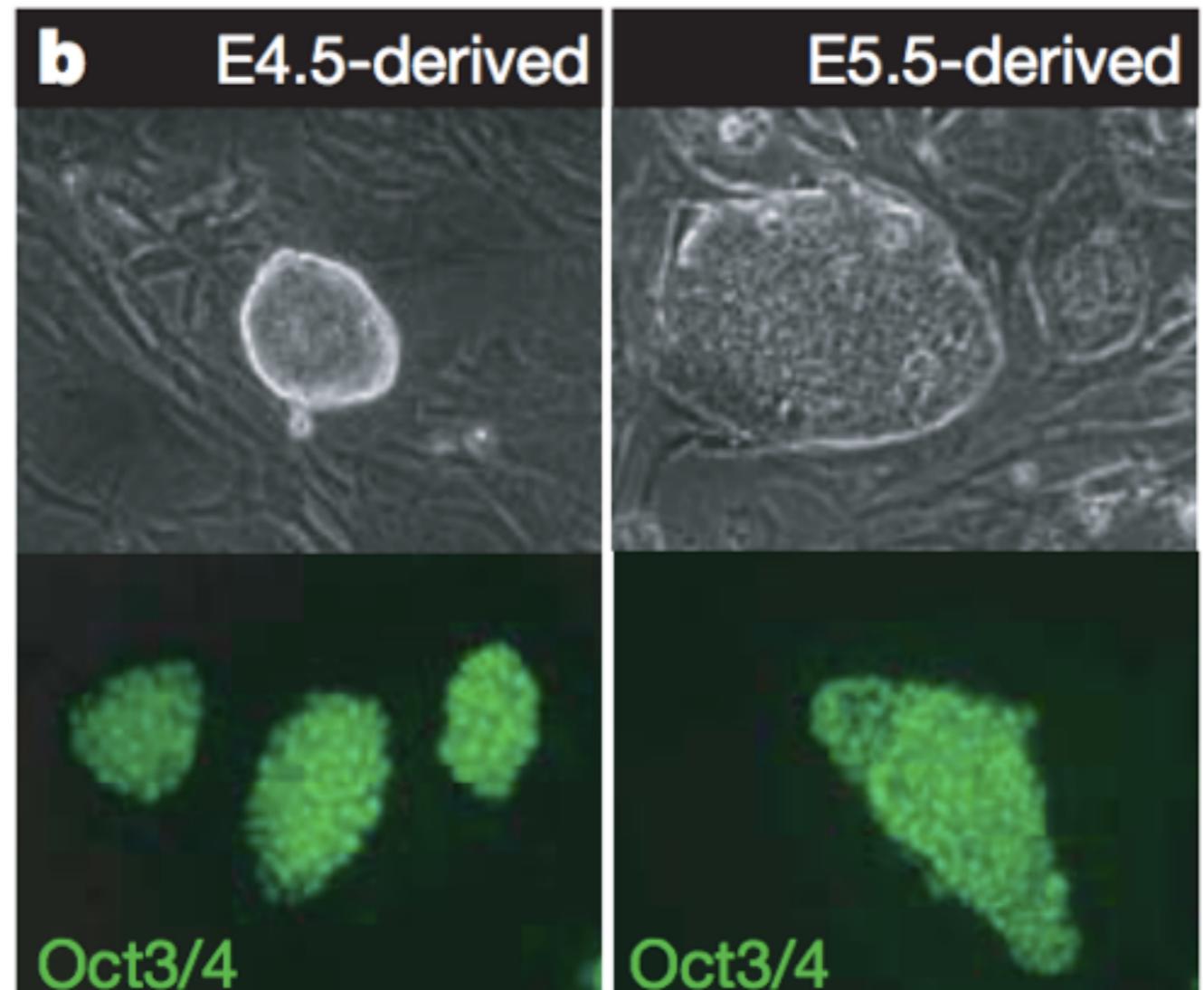
Stem cells lines can be derived from the mouse epiblast that resemble hESCs

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New cell lines from mouse epiblast share defining features with human embryonic stem cells

Derivation of pluripotent epiblast stem cells from mammalian embryos

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Properties of hESCs and mESCs

TABLE 2 | Comparison of mESCs, mEpiSCs with hESCs. Many Features of mESCs, mEpiSCs, and hESCs Have Been Evaluated Singly and In Parallel. A Summary of Key Characteristics is Provided Here. For Additional Information, See Refs 25, 26, 28, and 29

	mESCs	hESCs	mEpiSCs
Morphology	Rounded	Flattened	Flattened
Single cell survival	Good	Poor	Poor
Potency	All embryonic fates	All embryonic fates	All embryonic fates
Signaling inputs	BMP, LIF	Activin, FGF	Activin, FGF
Embryoid body formation	Yes	Yes	Yes
Teratoma formation	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tetraploid complementation	Yes	N/A	No
X inactivation	No	Yes	Yes

hESC, human embryonic stem cell; mESC, mouse embryonic stem cell; mEpiSC, mouse epiblast stem cell.

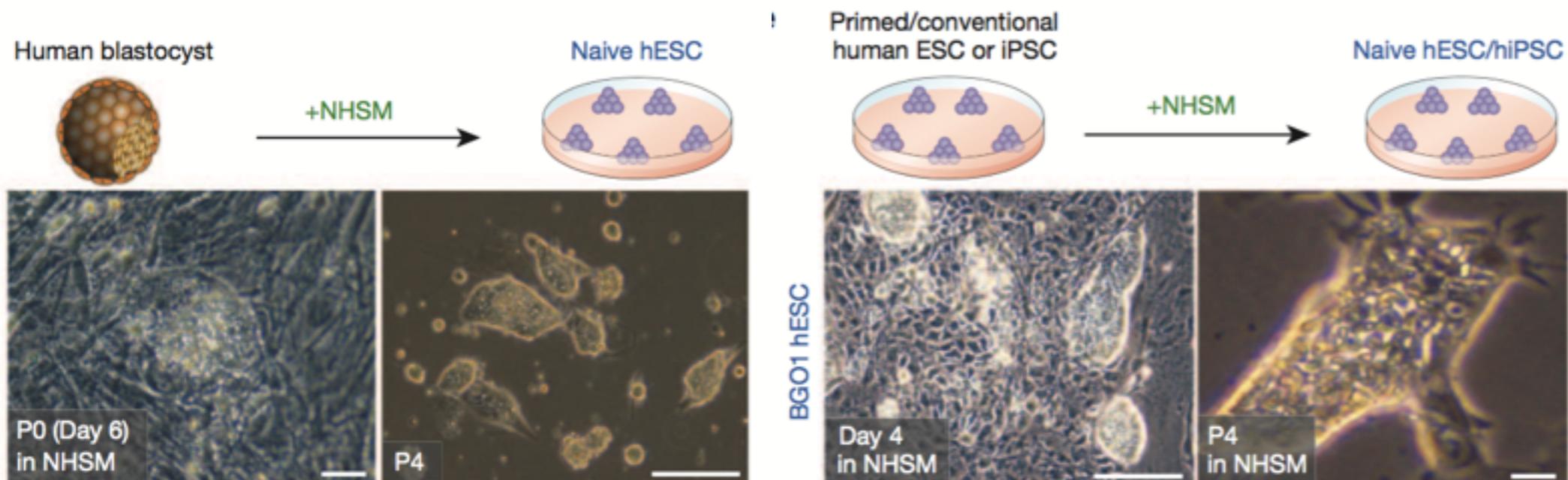
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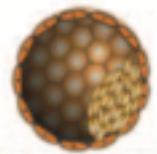
Essential components:

- LIF (20 ng ml⁻¹)
- TGFβ1 (1 ng ml⁻¹)
- FGF2 (8 ng ml⁻¹)
- ERK1/2i (PD0325901 1 μM)
- GSK3βi (CHIR99021 3 μM)
- JNKi (SP600125 10 μM)
- p38i (SB203580 10 μM)

Optimizing components:

- ROCKi (Y-27632 5 μM)
- PKCi (Go6983 5 μM)

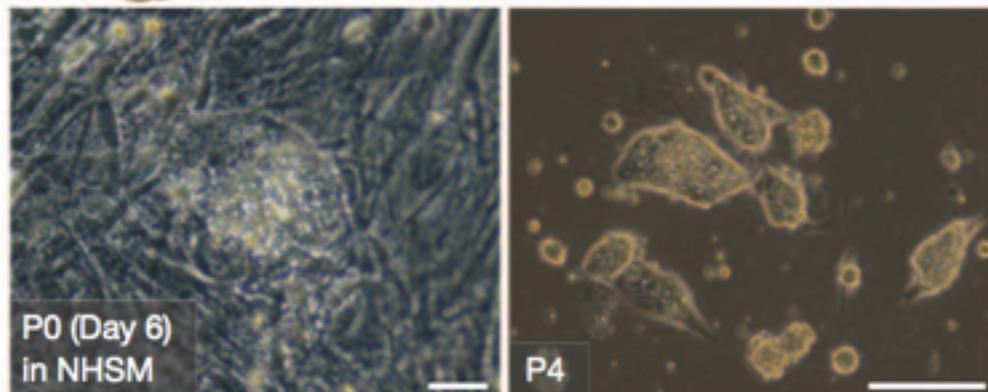
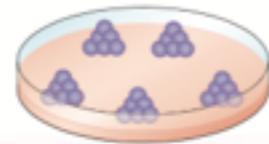
Human blastocyst



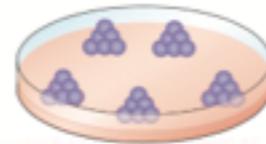
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Naive hESC



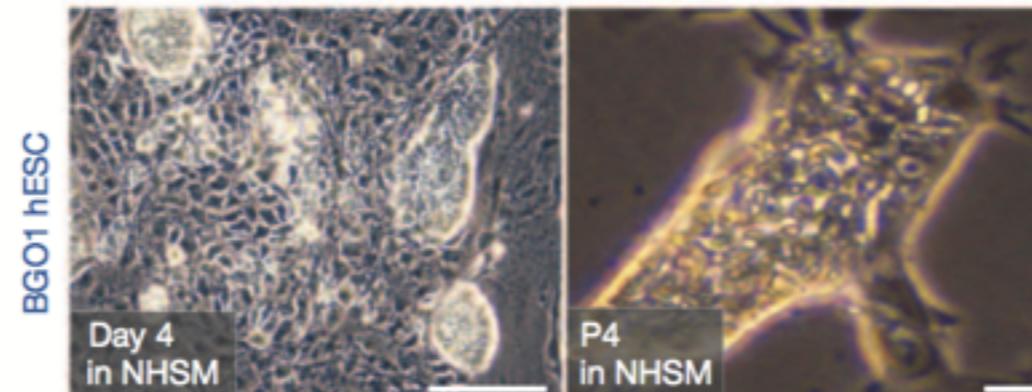
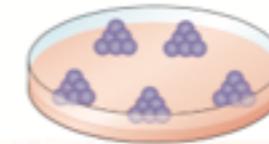
Primed/conventional human ESC or iPSC



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Naive hESC/hiPSC



WIS1 hESC

BGO1 hESC

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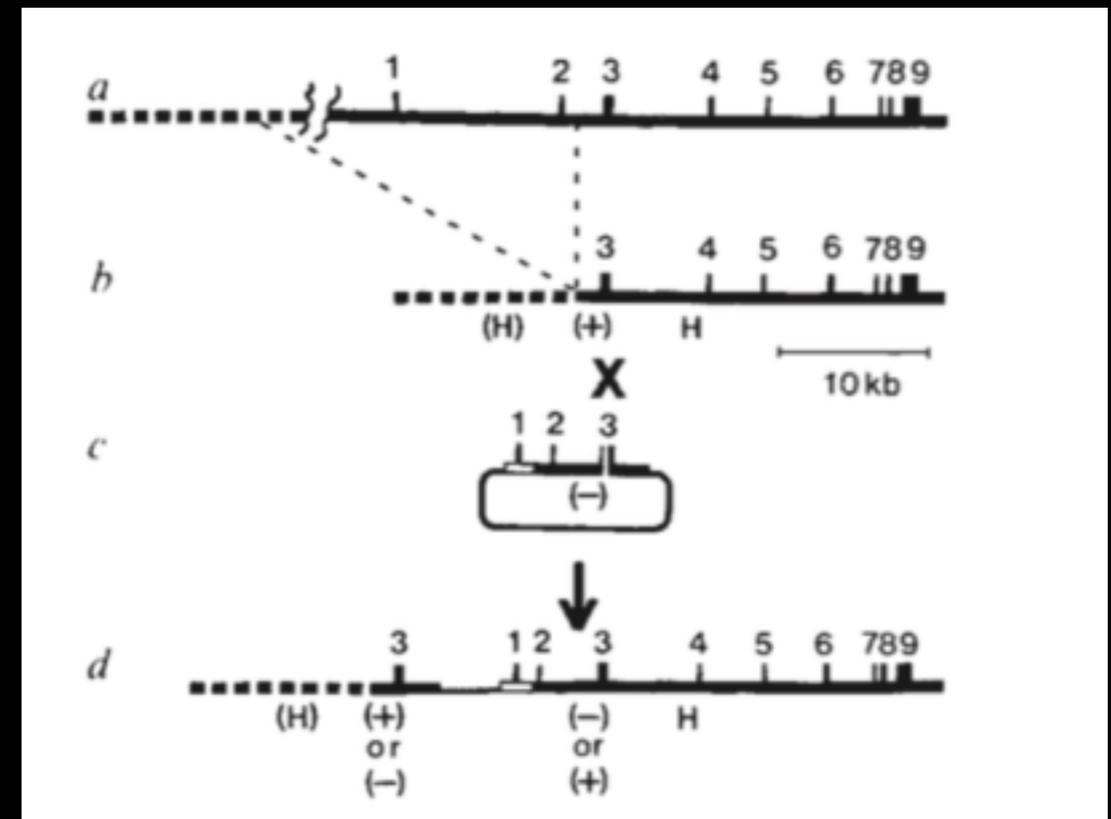
Targetted correction of a mutant HPRT gene in mouse embryonic stem cells

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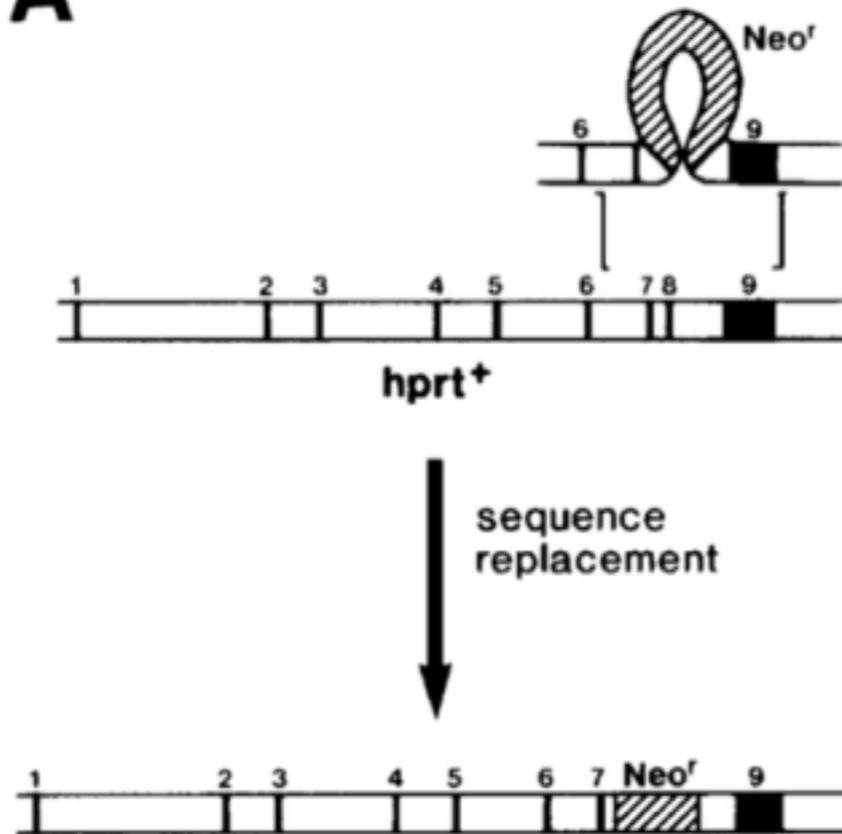
Nature 1985

Site-Directed Mutagenesis by Gene Targeting in Mouse Embryo-Derived Stem Cells

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homologous chromosomal sequence
entail incorrect repair of a heteroduplex
the newly introduced DNA and the cognate
sequence (Thomas and Capecchi, 1987)
methods has its own advantages. The

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targeting experiments. It is hoped that this combination of using ES cells as the recipient cell line and site-specific mutagenesis achieved by gene targeting will provide the means for generating mice of any desired genotype. An advantage of this scenario is that the first generation chimera will usually be heterozygous for the targeted mutation and that subsequent breeding can be used to generate the homozygous animal. Thus, only one of the two loci need be inactivated, and recessive lethals can be maintained as heterozygotes. If successful, this technology will be used in the future to dissect the developmental pathway of the mouse as well as to generate mouse models for human genetic diseases.

1989: the first transgenic mice

Targeted disruption of the murine *int-1* proto-oncogene resulting in severe abnormalities in midbrain and cerebellar development

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Germ-line transmission of a disrupted β_2 -microglobulin gene produced by homologous recombination in embryonic stem cells

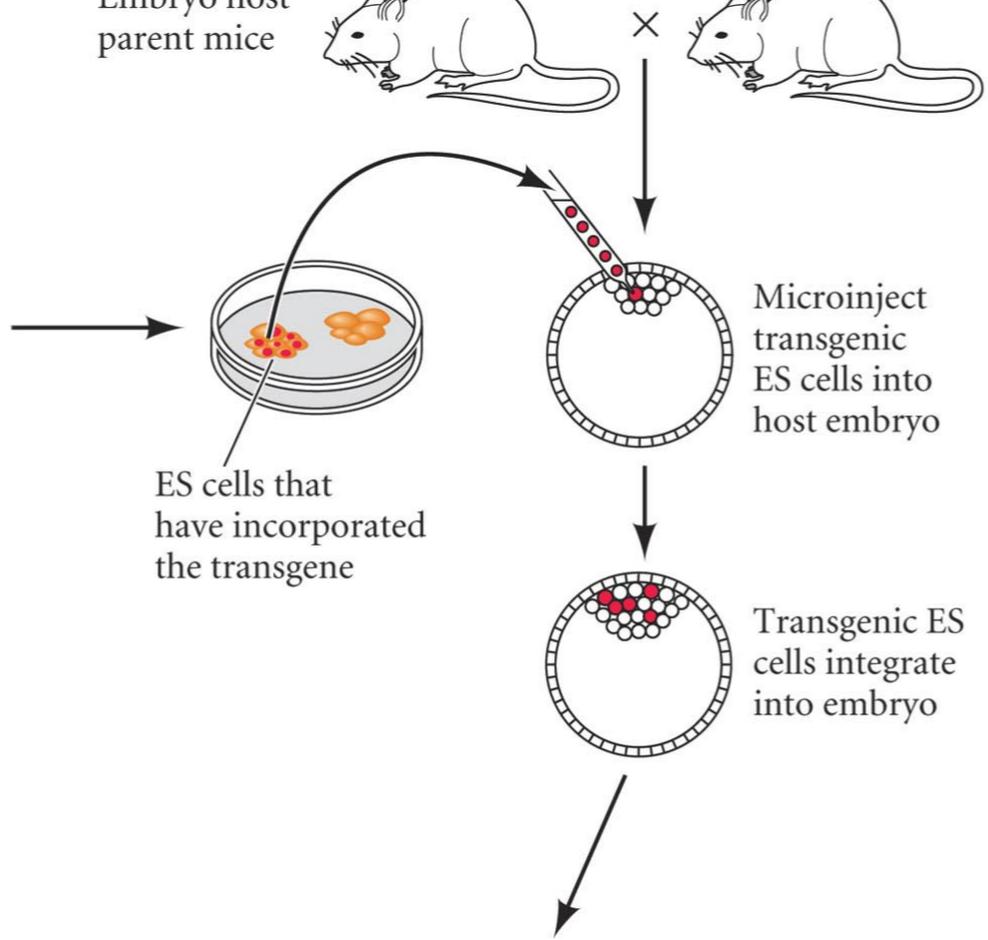
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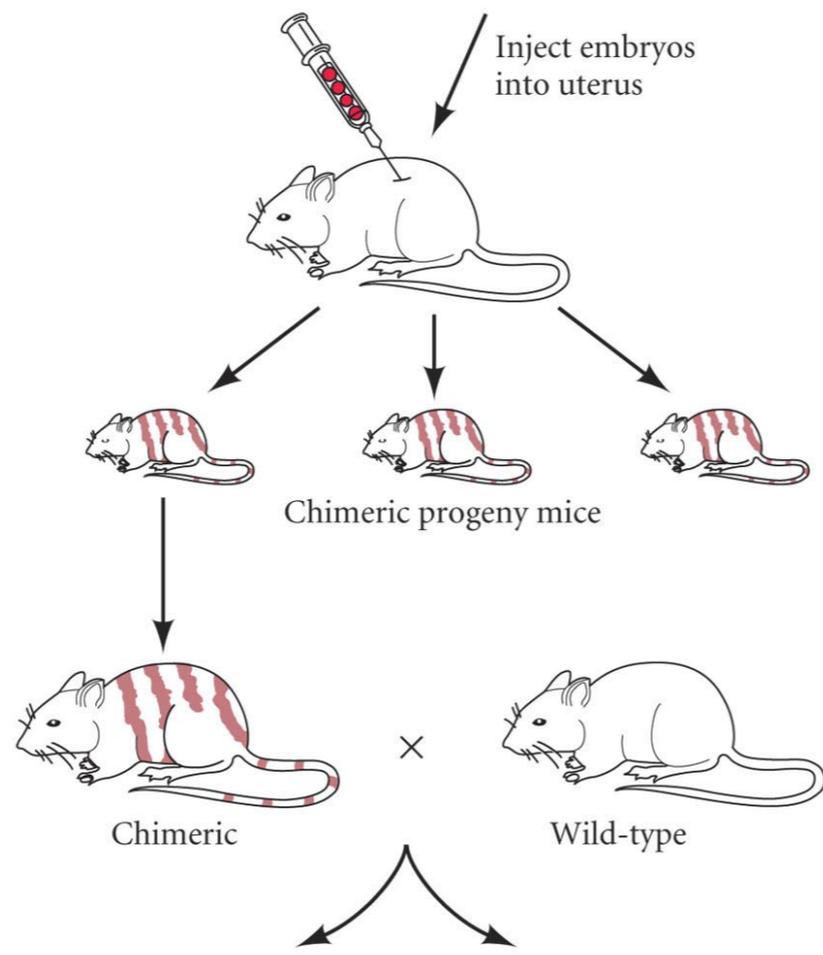
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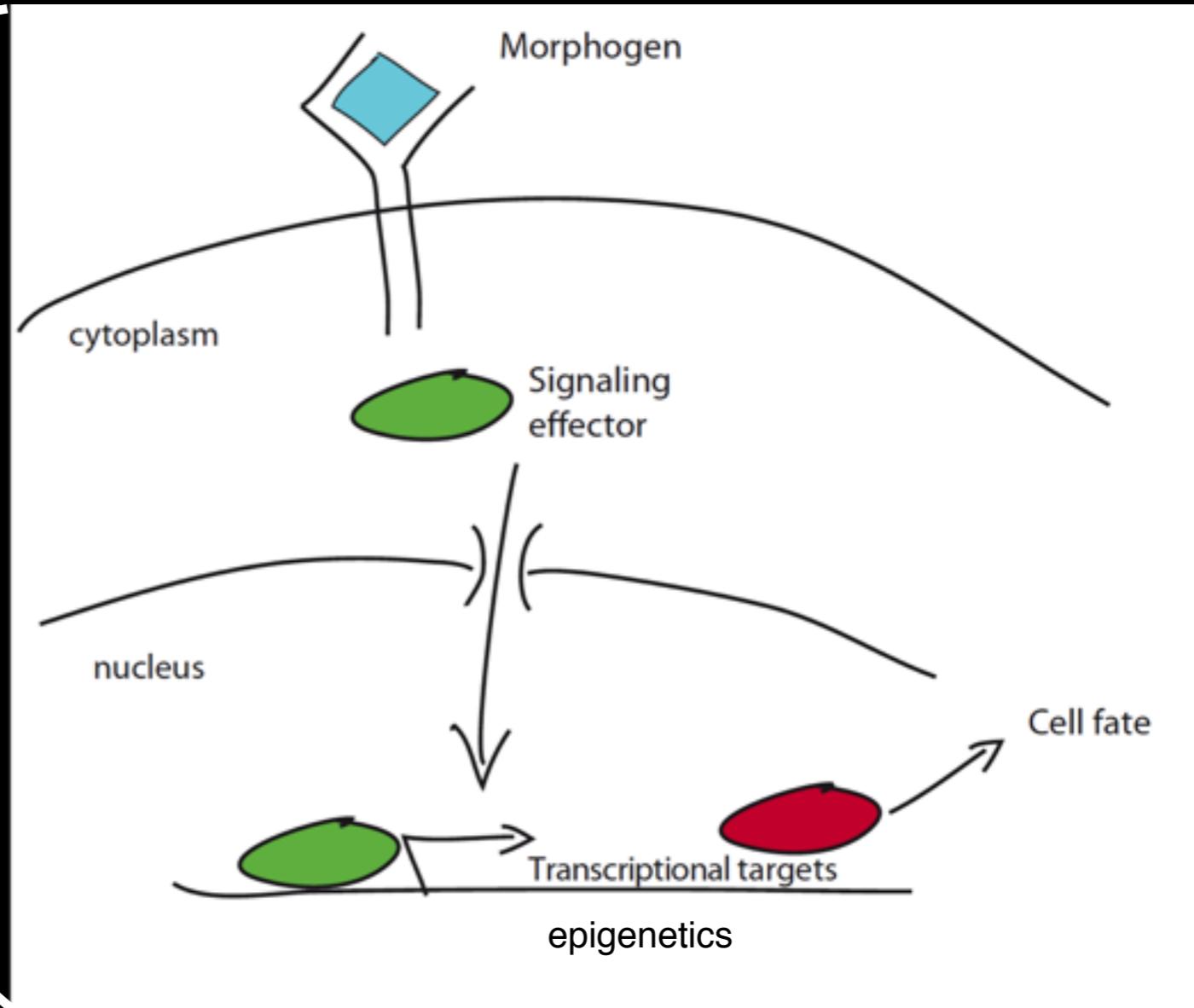
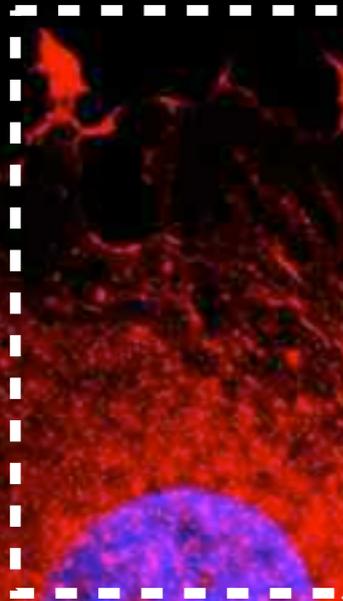
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Hierarchy of regulation

DNA/Cytoskelton



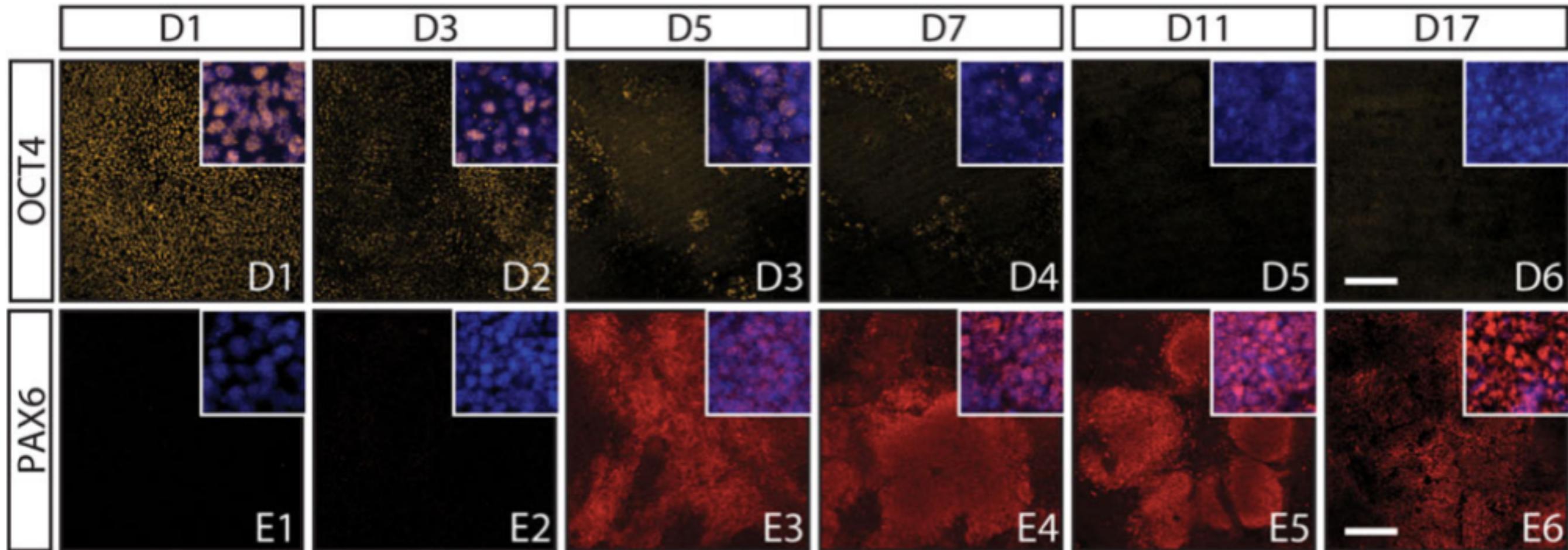
If all signals are removed from stem cells, they differentiate to neurons

Highly efficient neural conversion of human ES and iPS cells by dual inhibition of SMAD signaling

Stuart M Chambers¹, Christopher A Fasano¹, Eirini P Papapetrou², Mark Tomishima^{1,2}, Michel Sadelain^{2,3}
& Lorenz Studer^{1,2,4}

SMAD7 Directly Converts Human Embryonic Stem Cells to Telencephalic Fate by a Default Mechanism

MOHAMMAD ZEESHAN OZAIR, SCOTT NOGGLE, ARYEH WARMFLASH, JOANNA ELA KRZYSPIAK, ALI H. BRIVANLOU



Signaling requirements of stem cells

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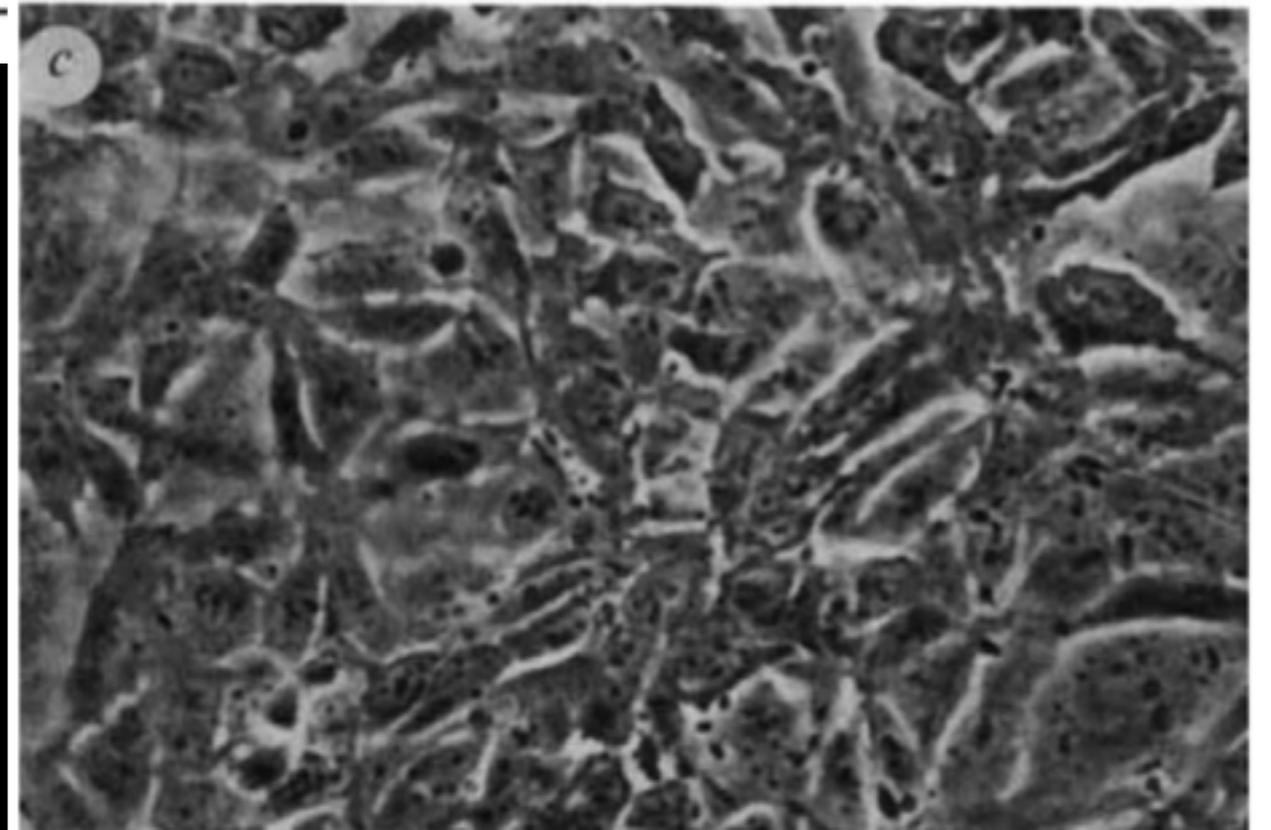
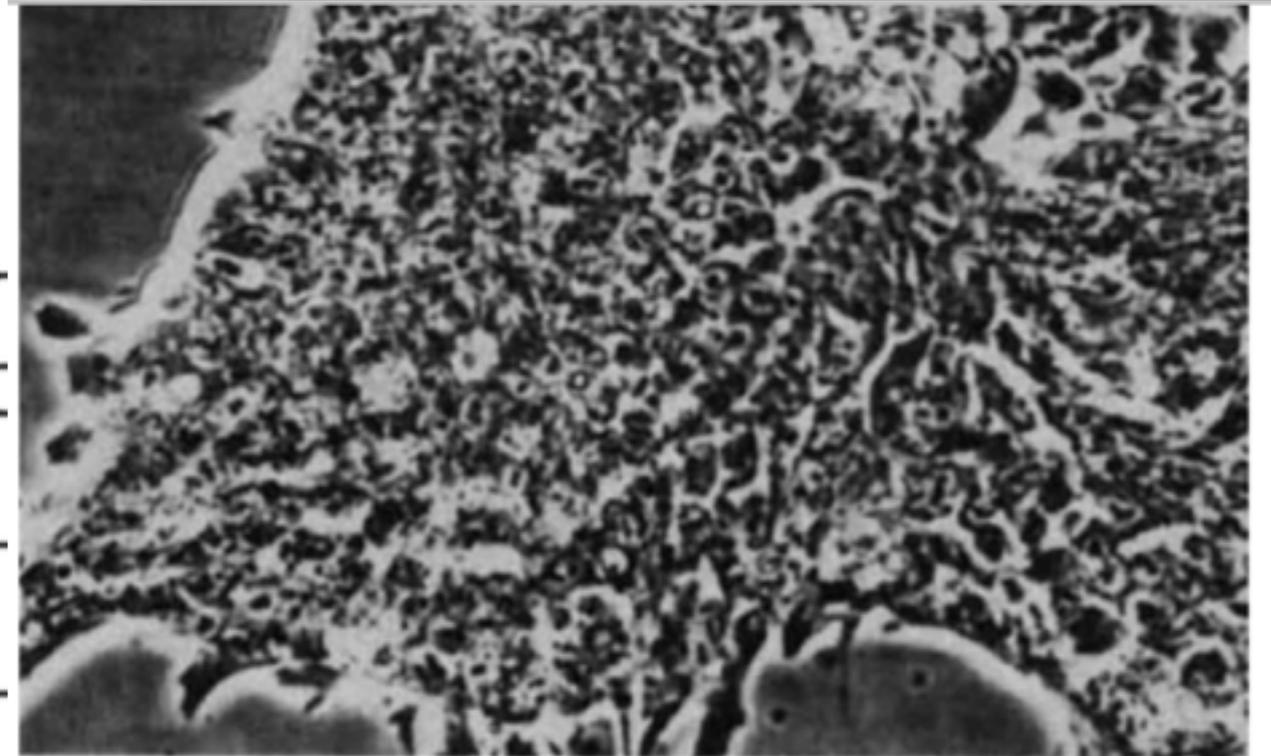
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Signaling requirements of stem cells

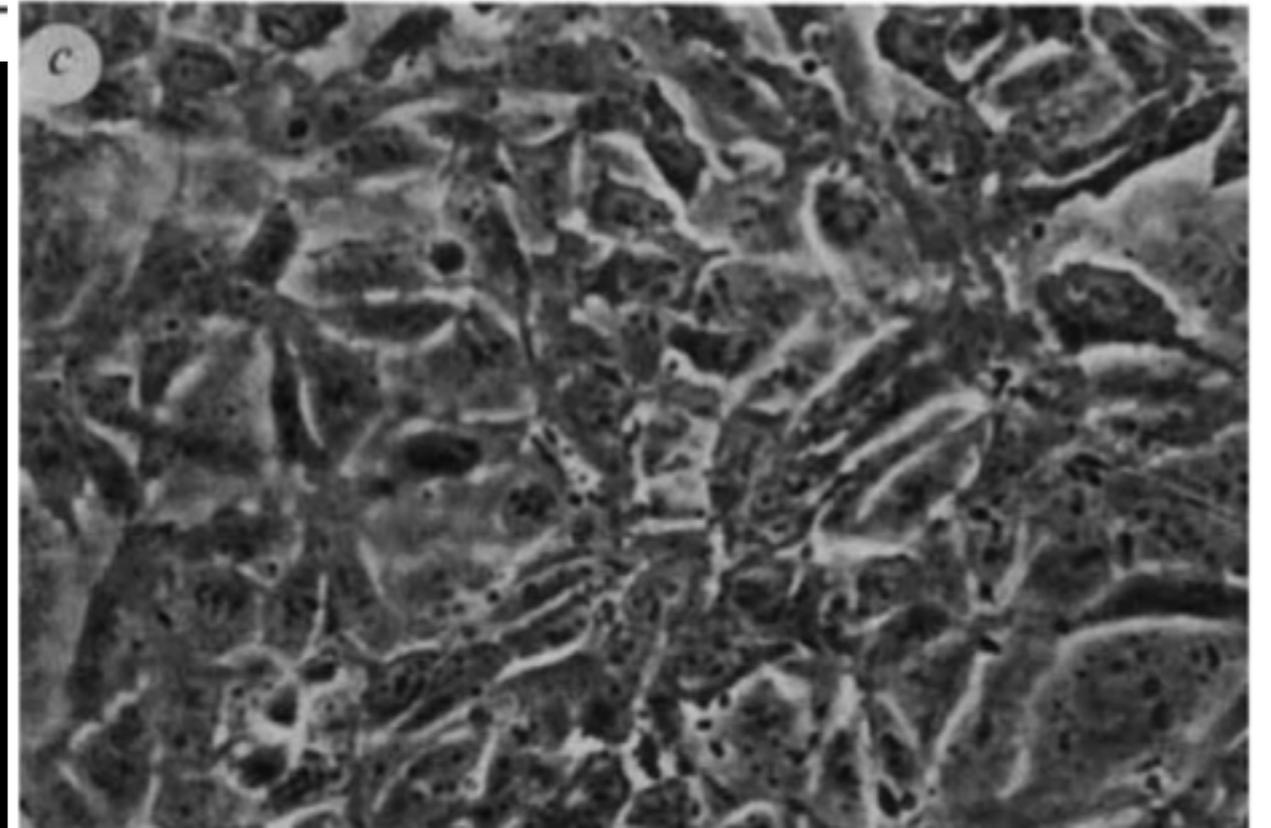
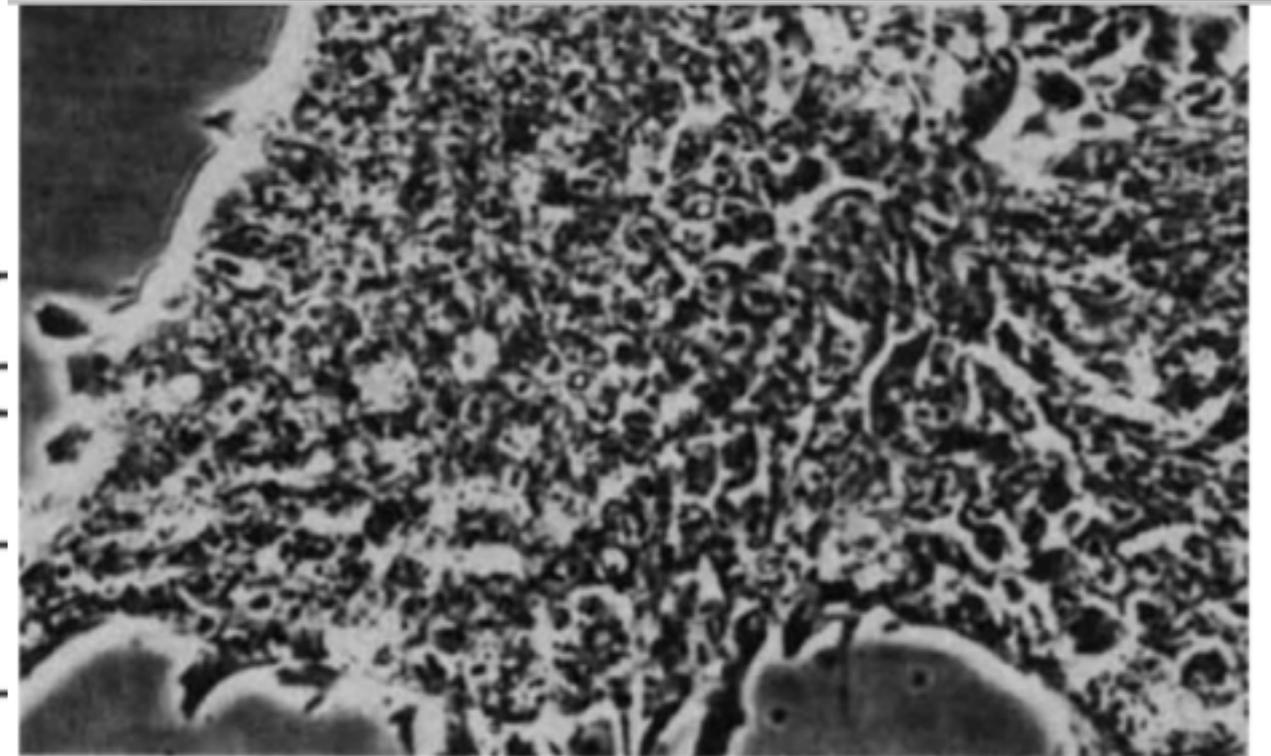
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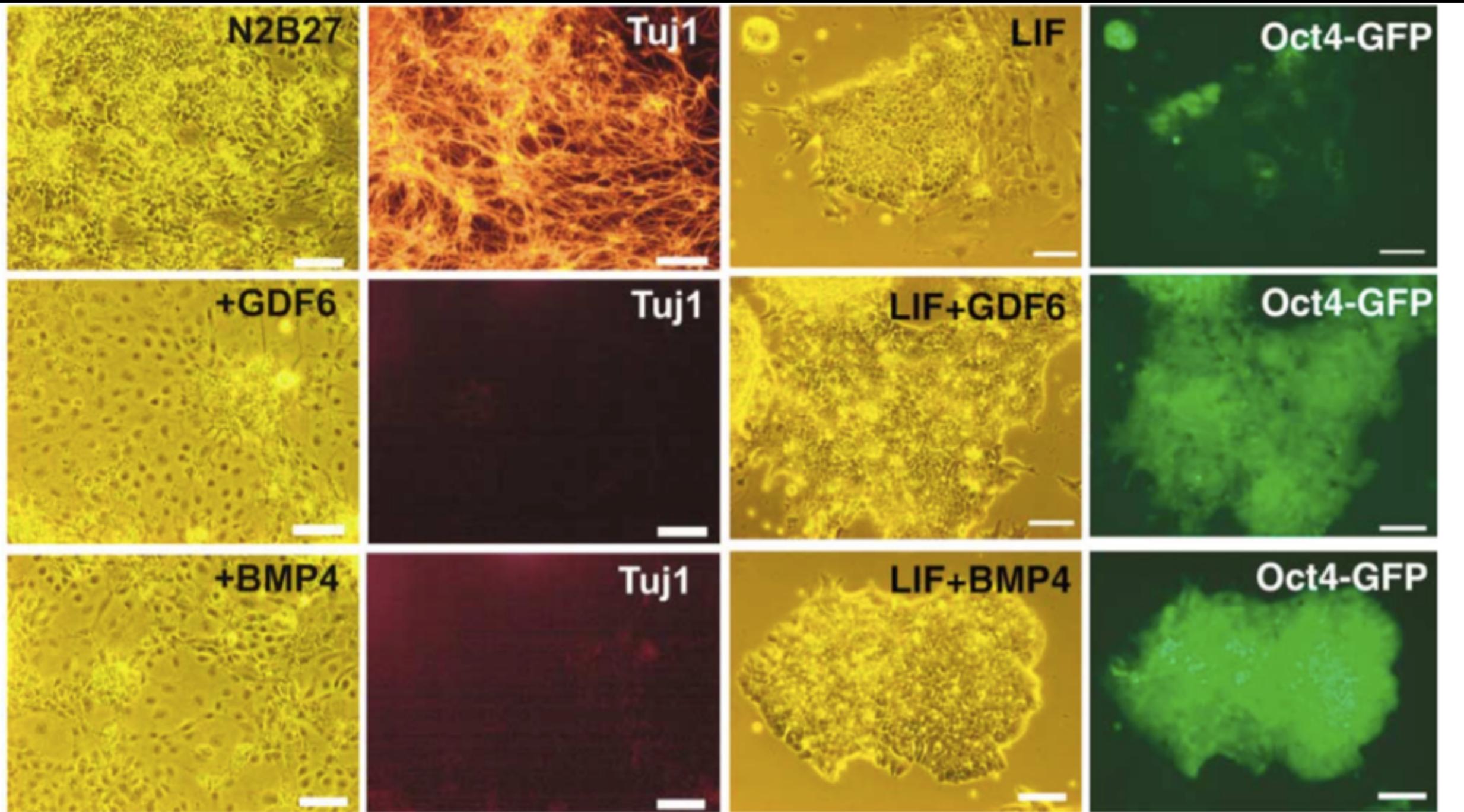


LIF was the first cytokine identified to maintain pluripotency and allowed the growth of mESCs without CM or feeders but they still needed serum. What was the other signal?

BMP can serve as the second signal

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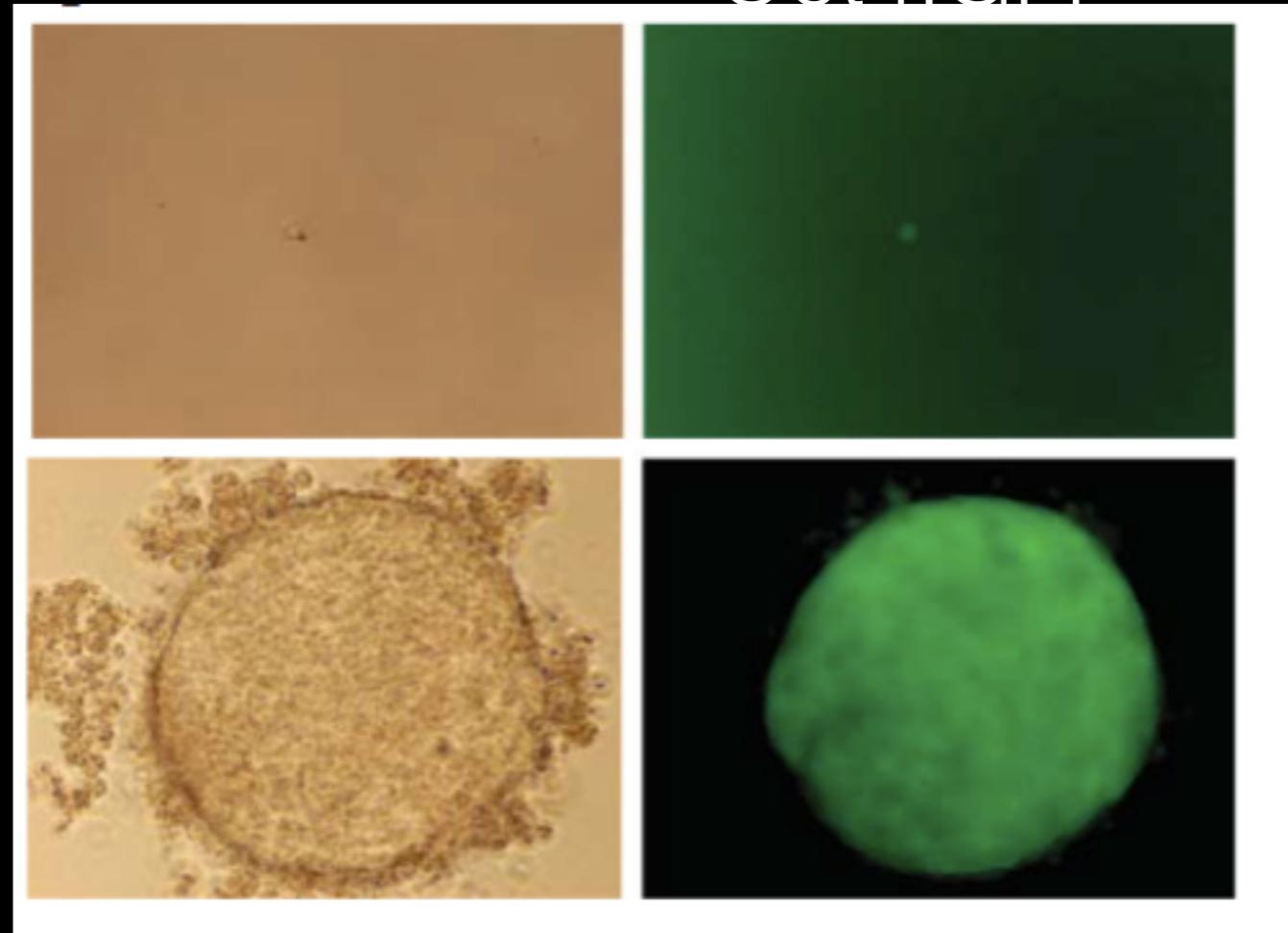
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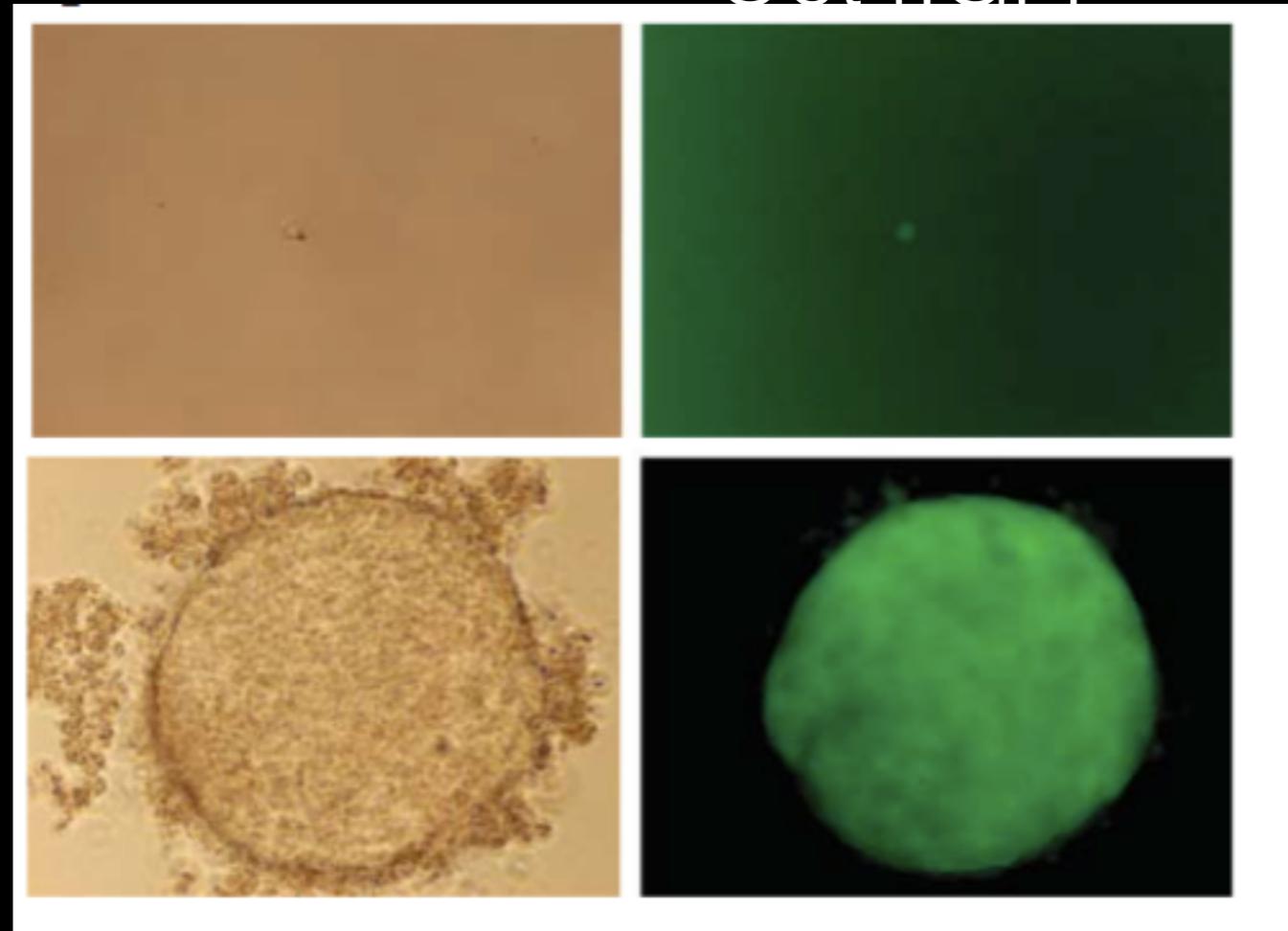
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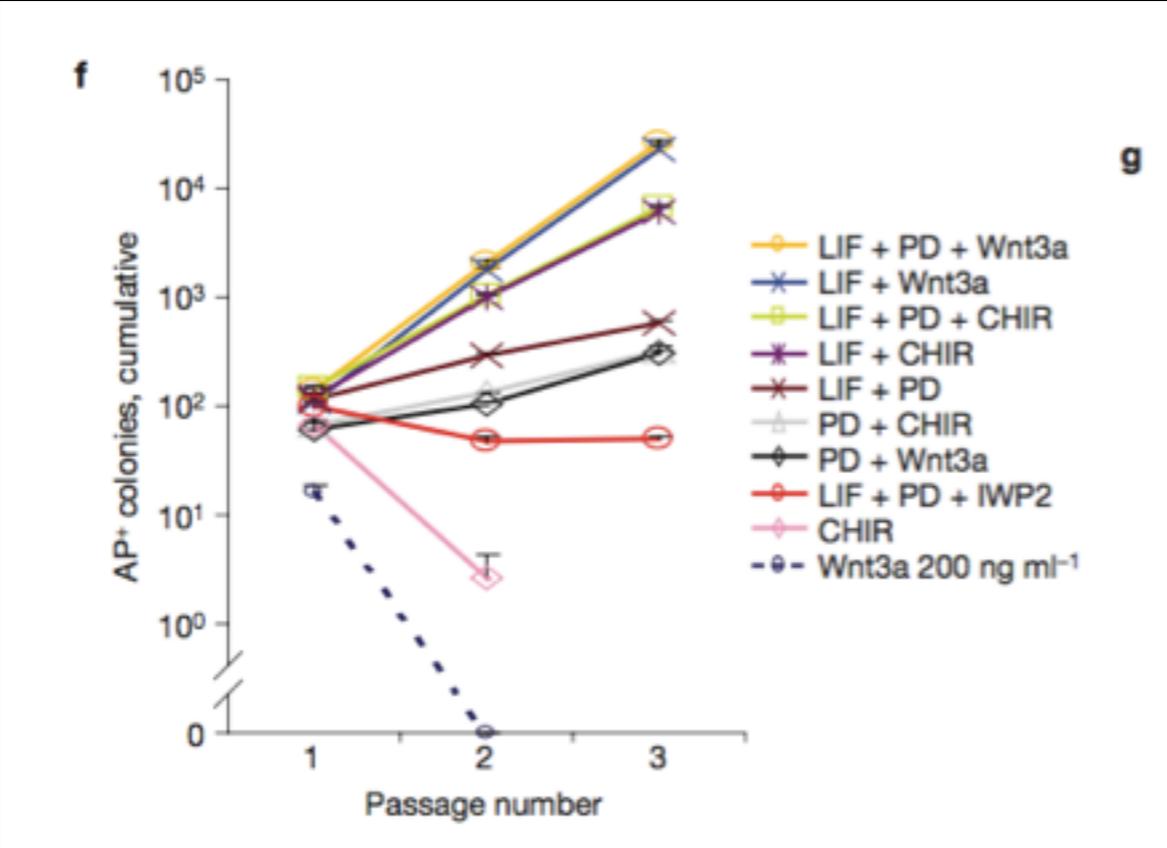


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Effect of GSK3beta inhibition is equivalent to Wnt stimulation

Embryonic stem cells require Wnt proteins to prevent differentiation to epiblast stem cells

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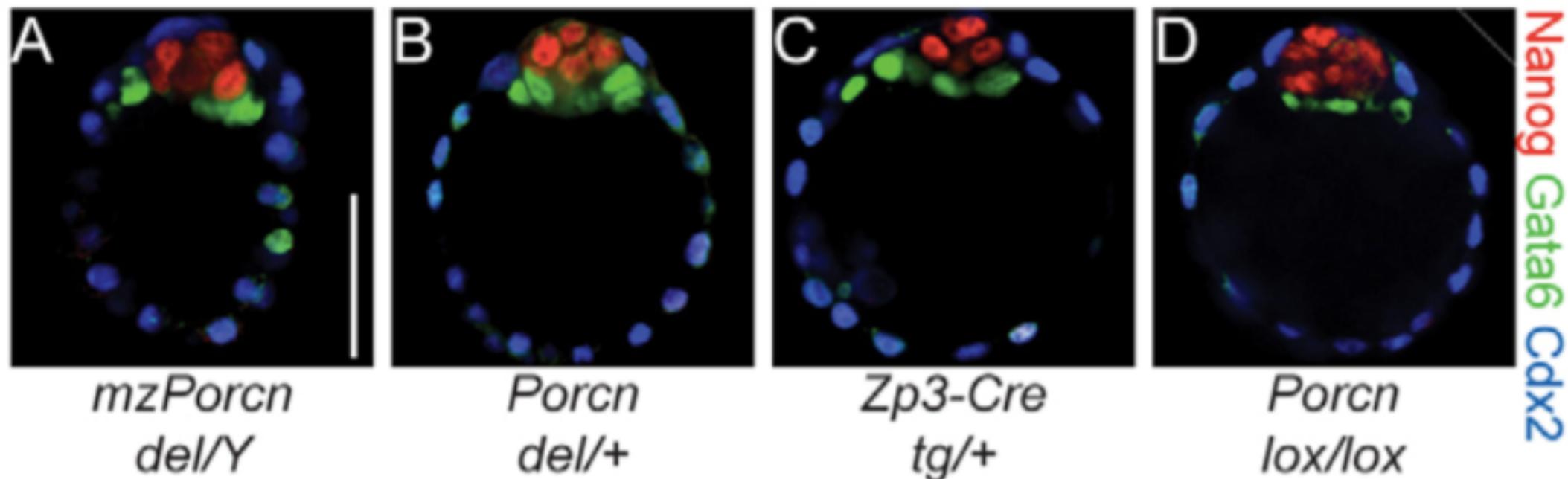


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Completely different signals maintain the pluripotent state of human embryonic stem cells

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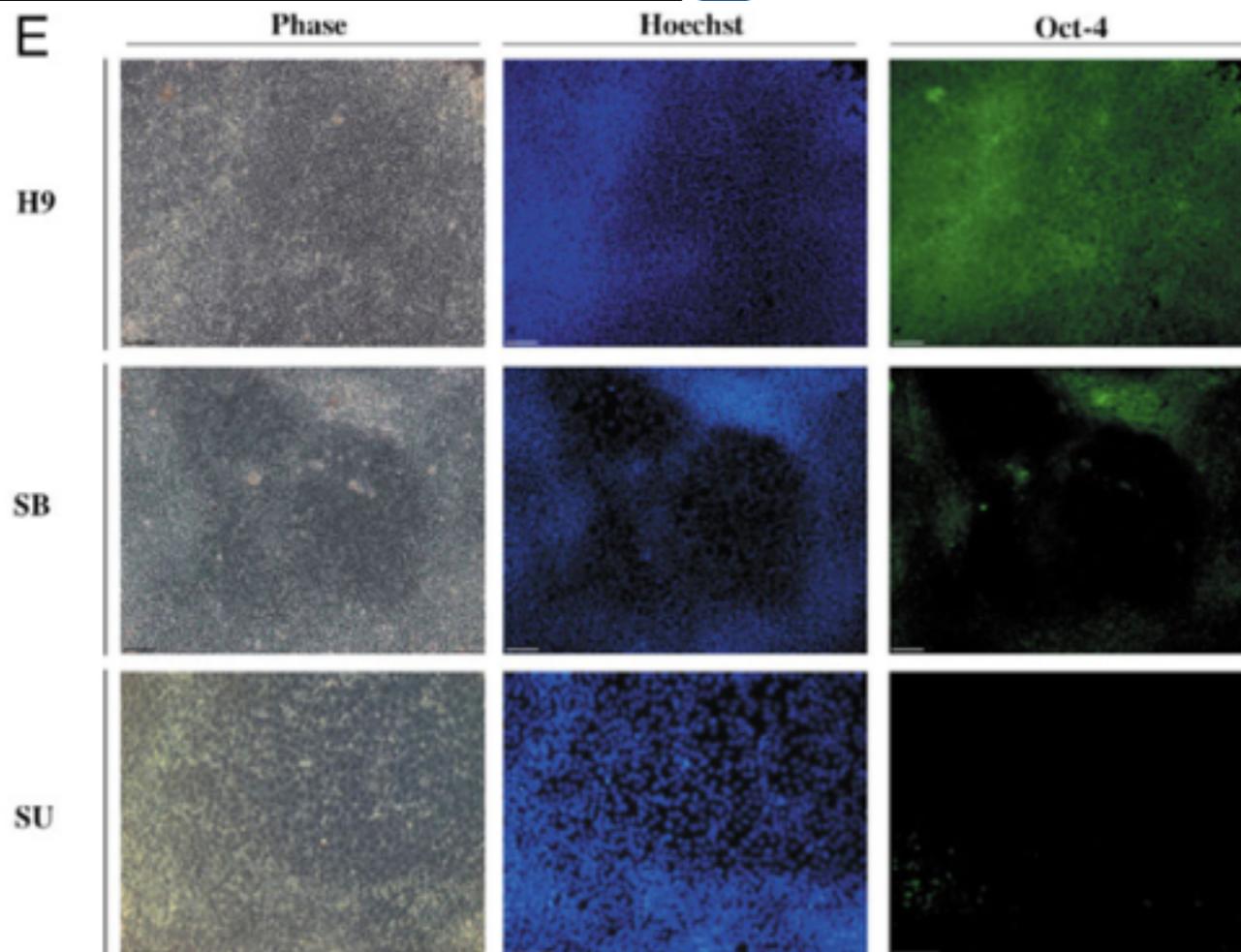
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Signaling in stem cells: summary

TABLE 1 | Signaling Pathways Involved in the Maintenance of Pluripotency. Table Summarizing Properties of Pathways that Play a Role in Maintaining Pluripotency Either in mESCs or hESCs

Pathway	LIF	BMP	Activin/Nodal	FGF	Wnt
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Signal transducer	Stat3	Smad1/5/8	Smad2/3	MEK/ERK	β -catenin
Promotes pluripotency in mESCs?	+	+	-	-	+
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hESC, human embryonic stem cell; mESC, mouse embryonic stem cell.

Transcriptional networks in stem cells

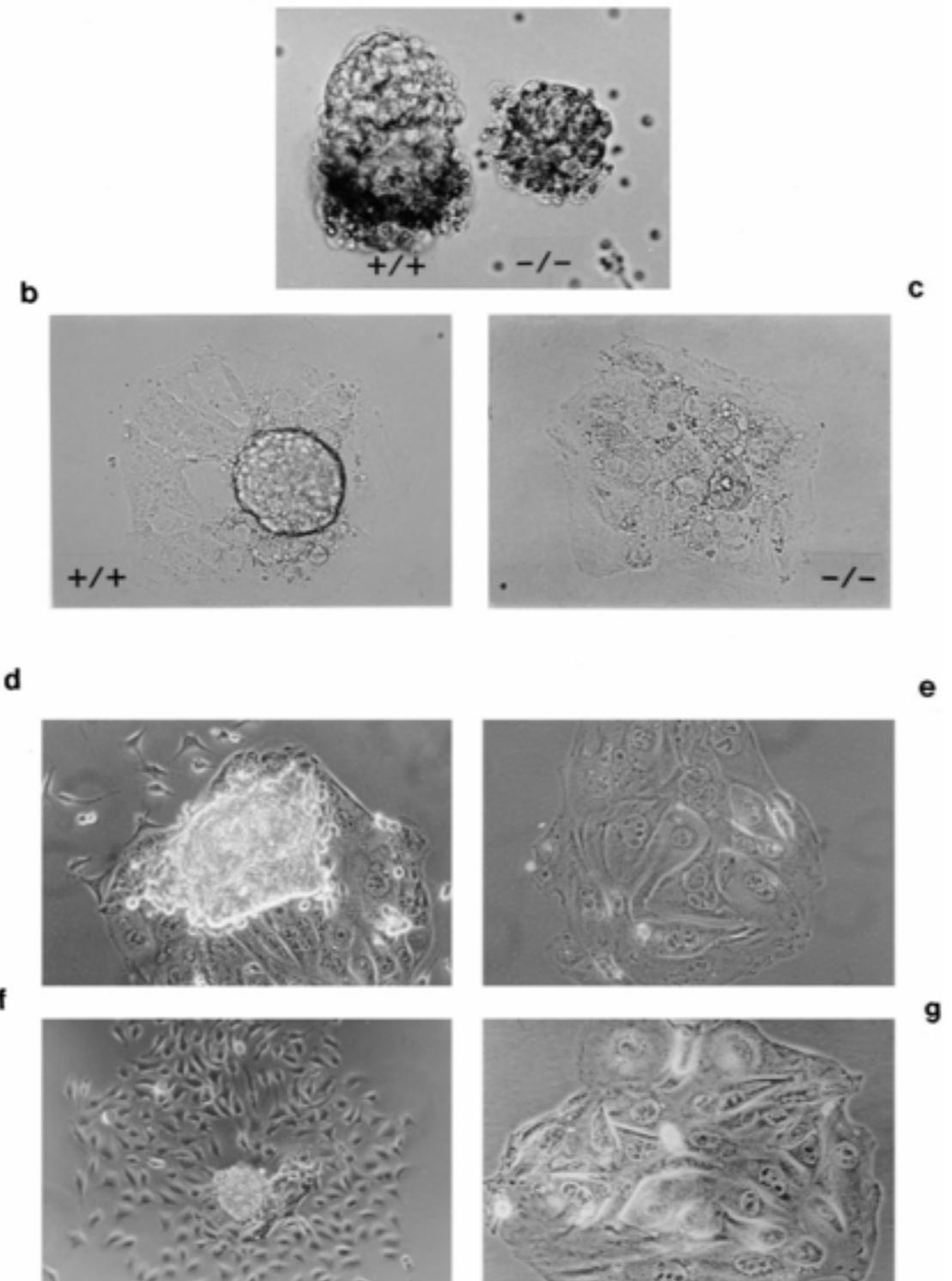
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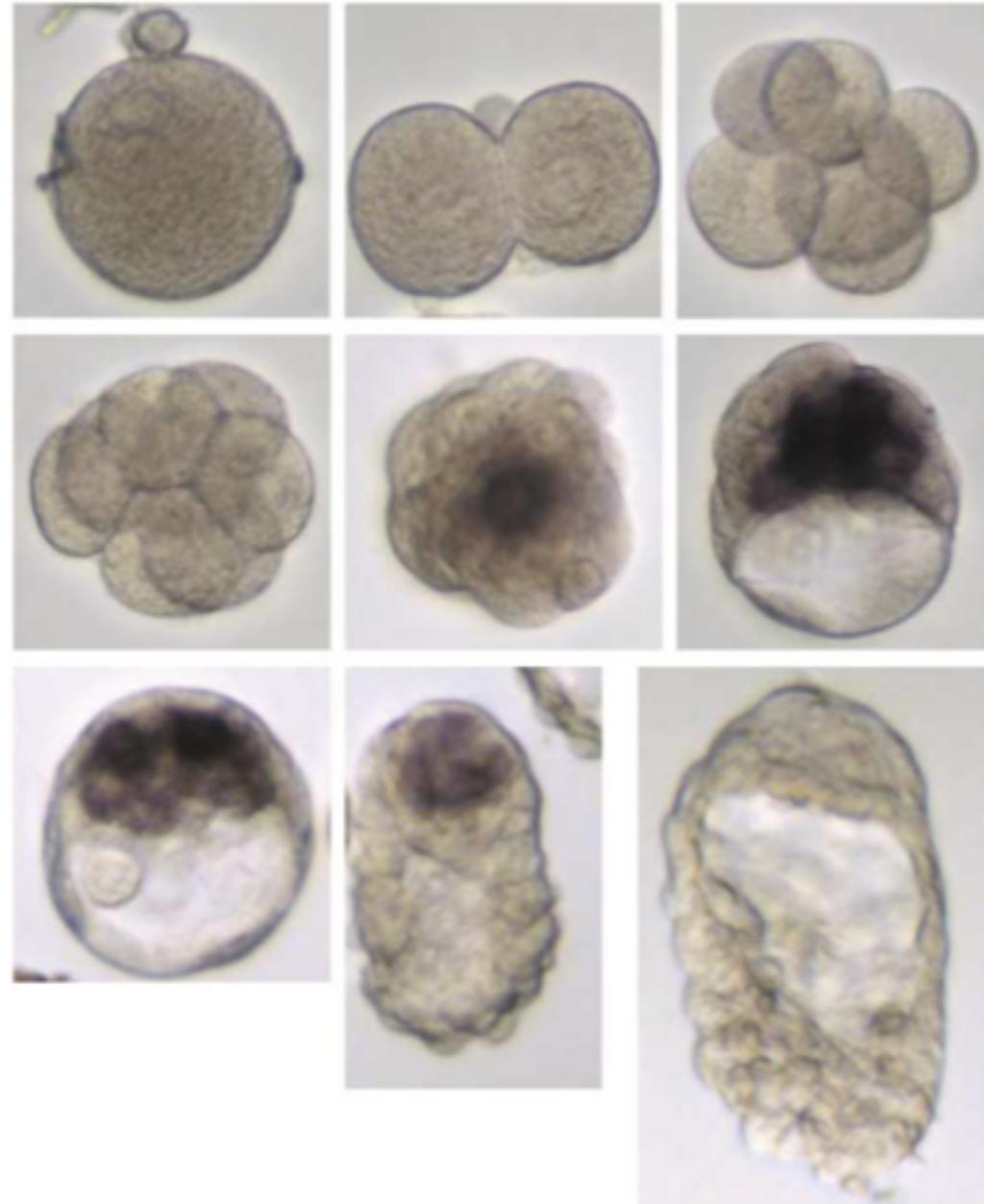
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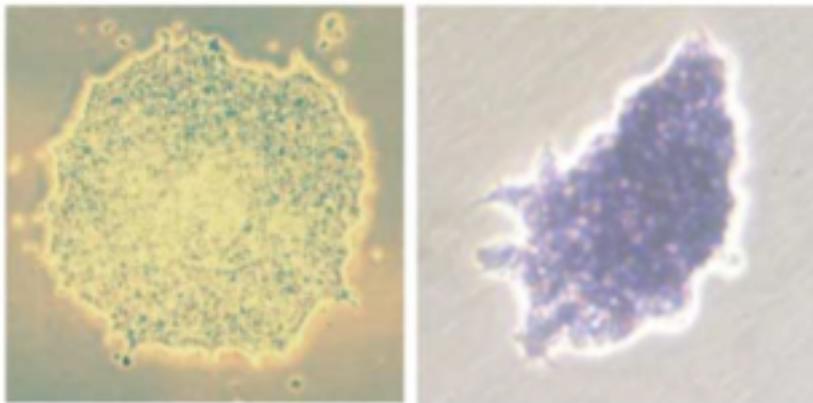
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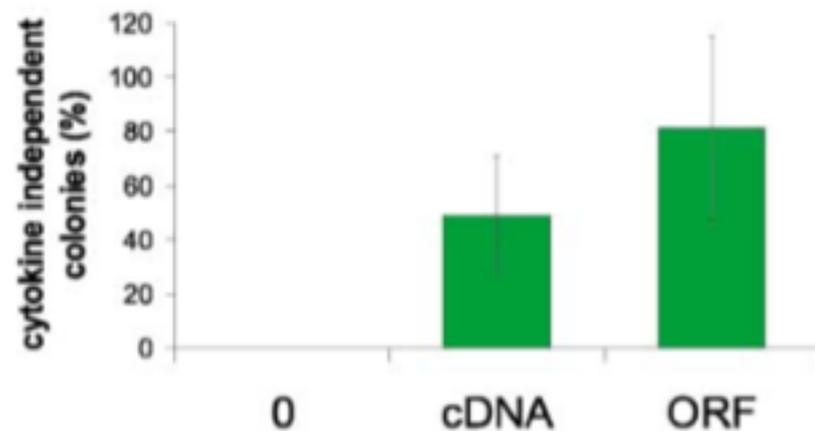
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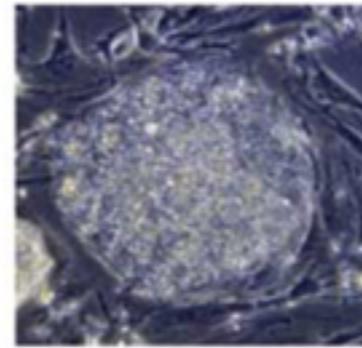
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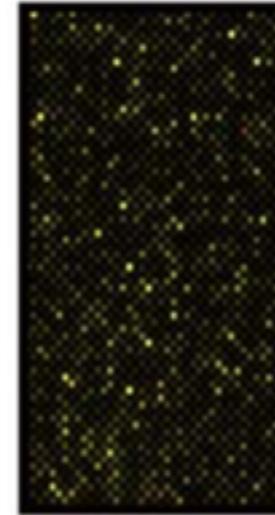
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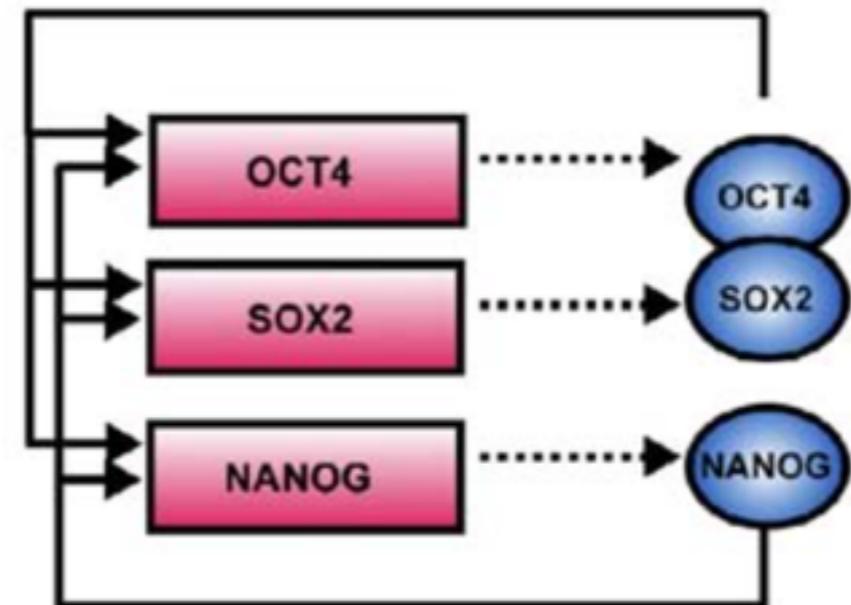
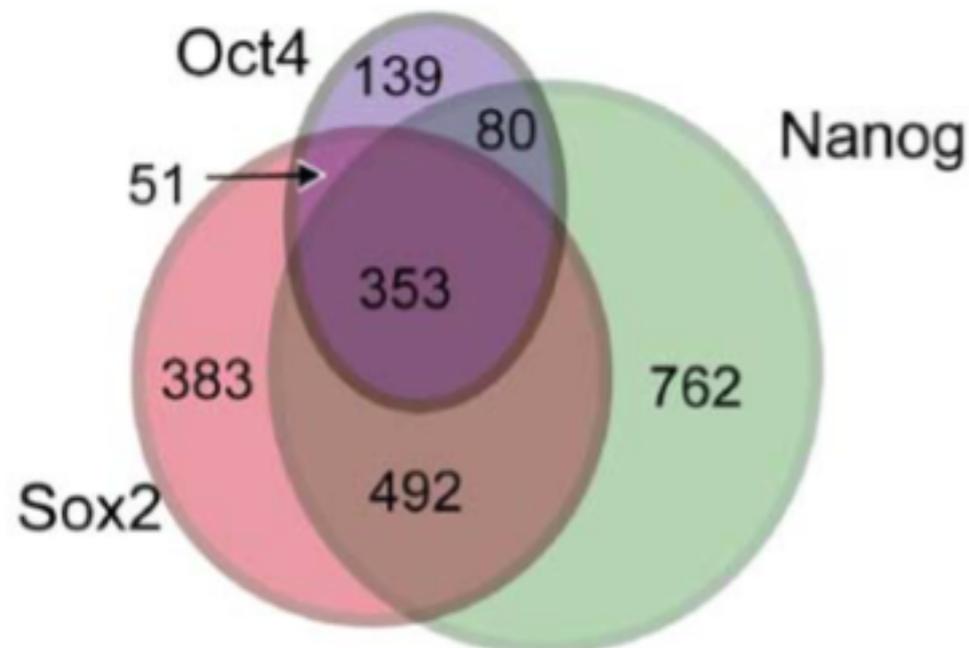


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Relationship between pluripotency and differentiation

A Precarious Balance: Pluripotency Factors as Lineage Specifiers

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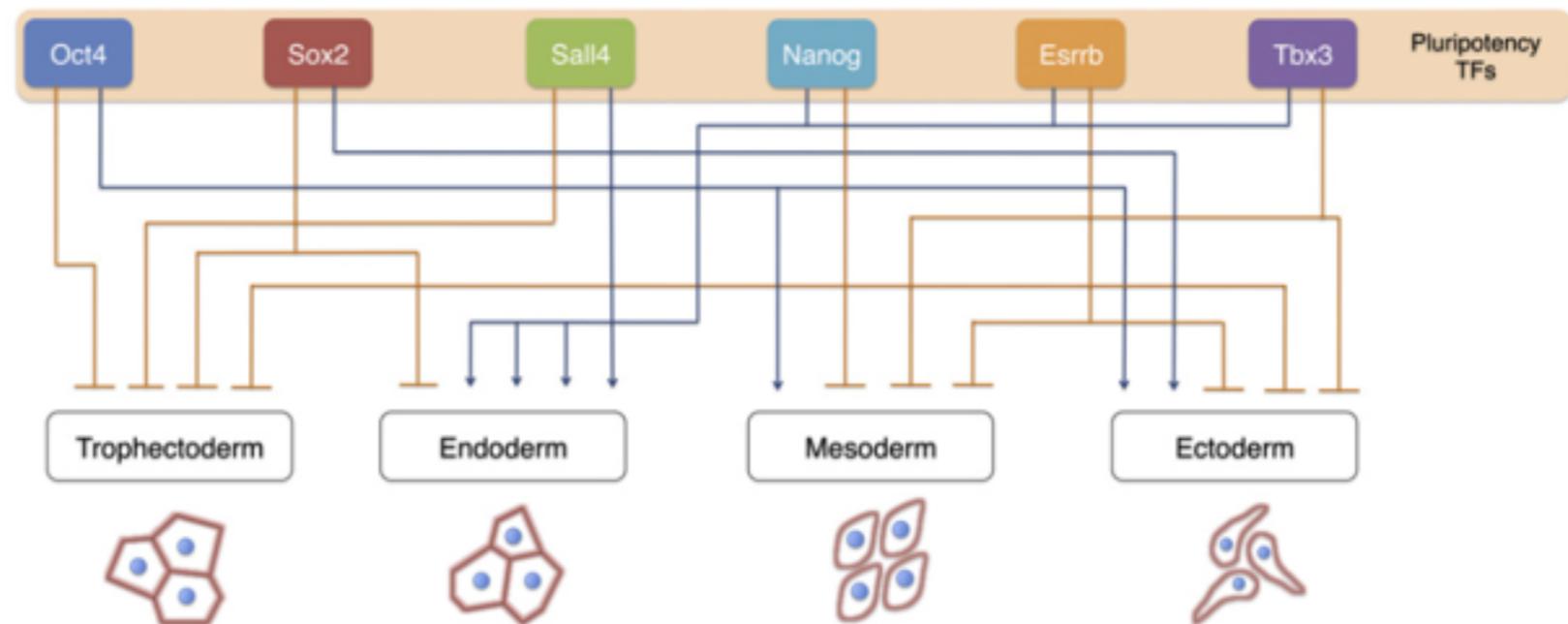
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A A self-conflicted coalition of transcription factors supervises pluripotent cells



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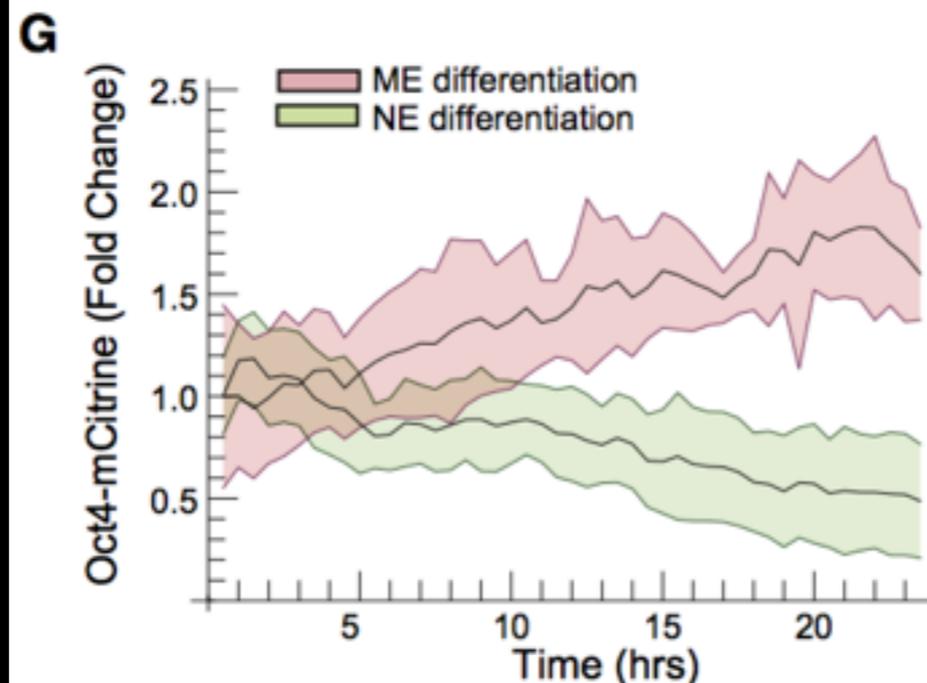
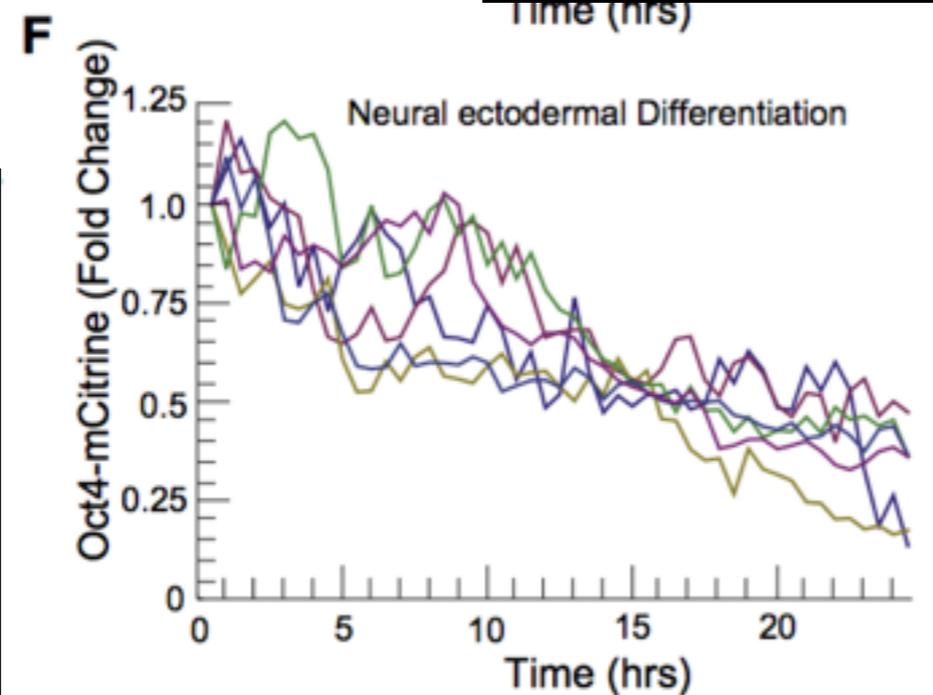
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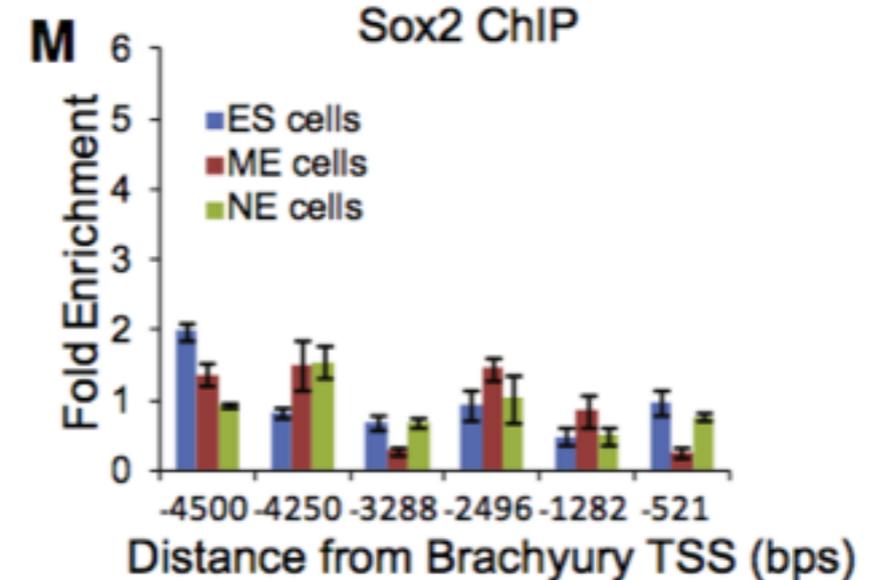
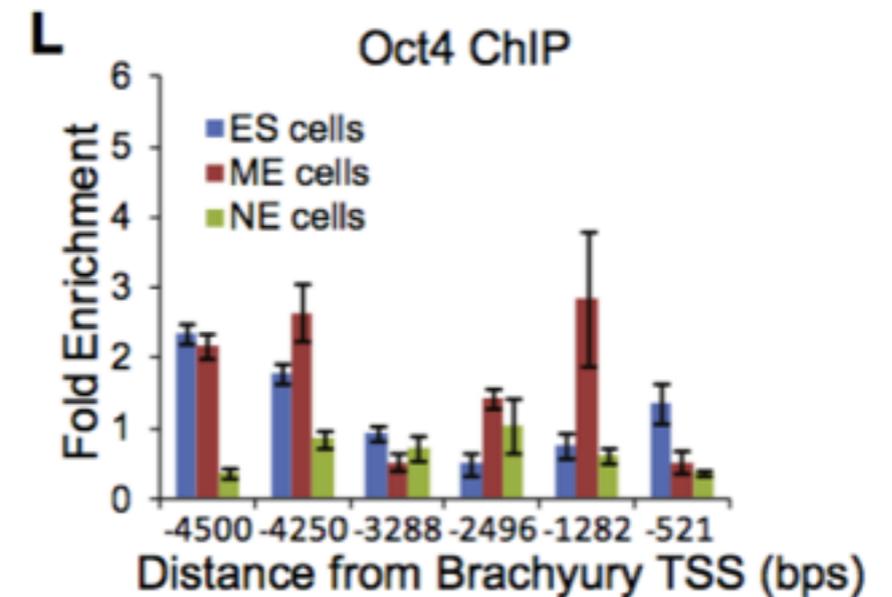
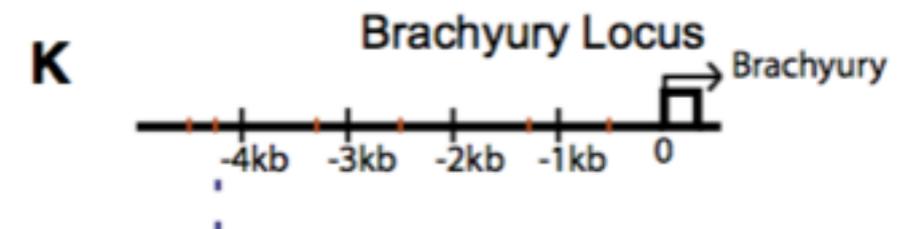
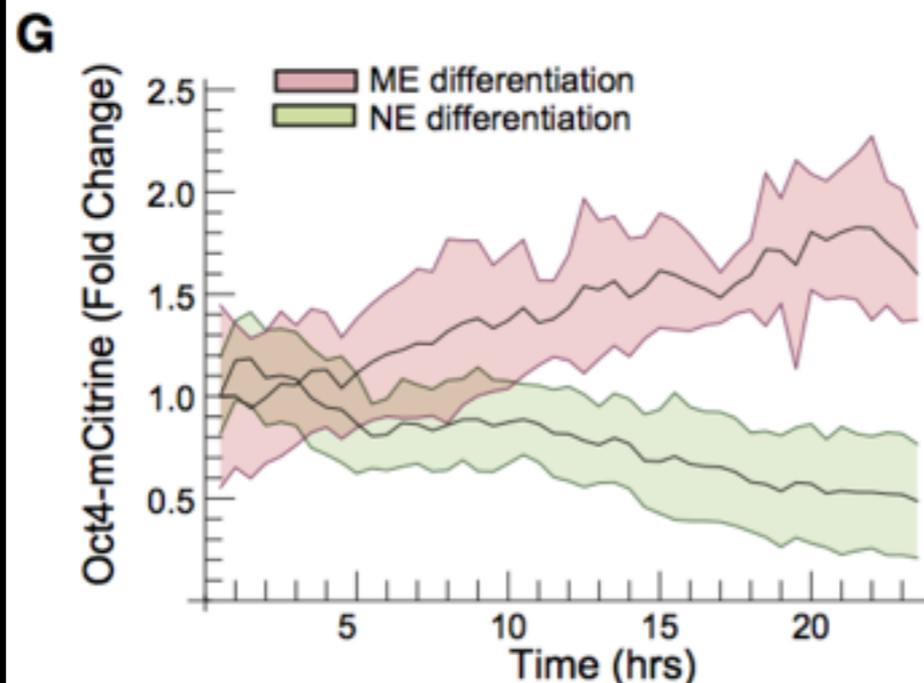
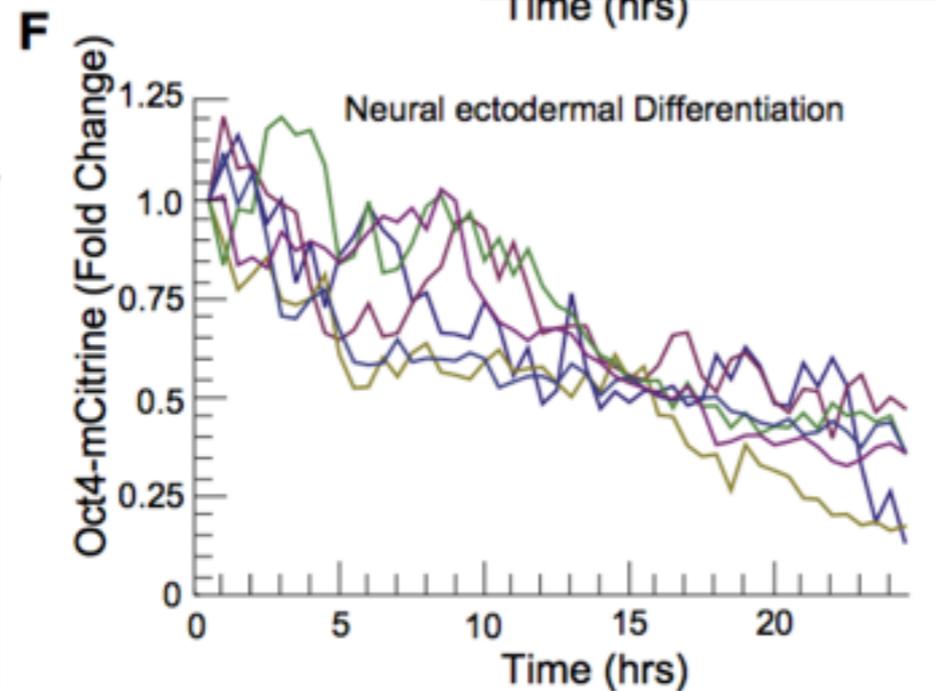
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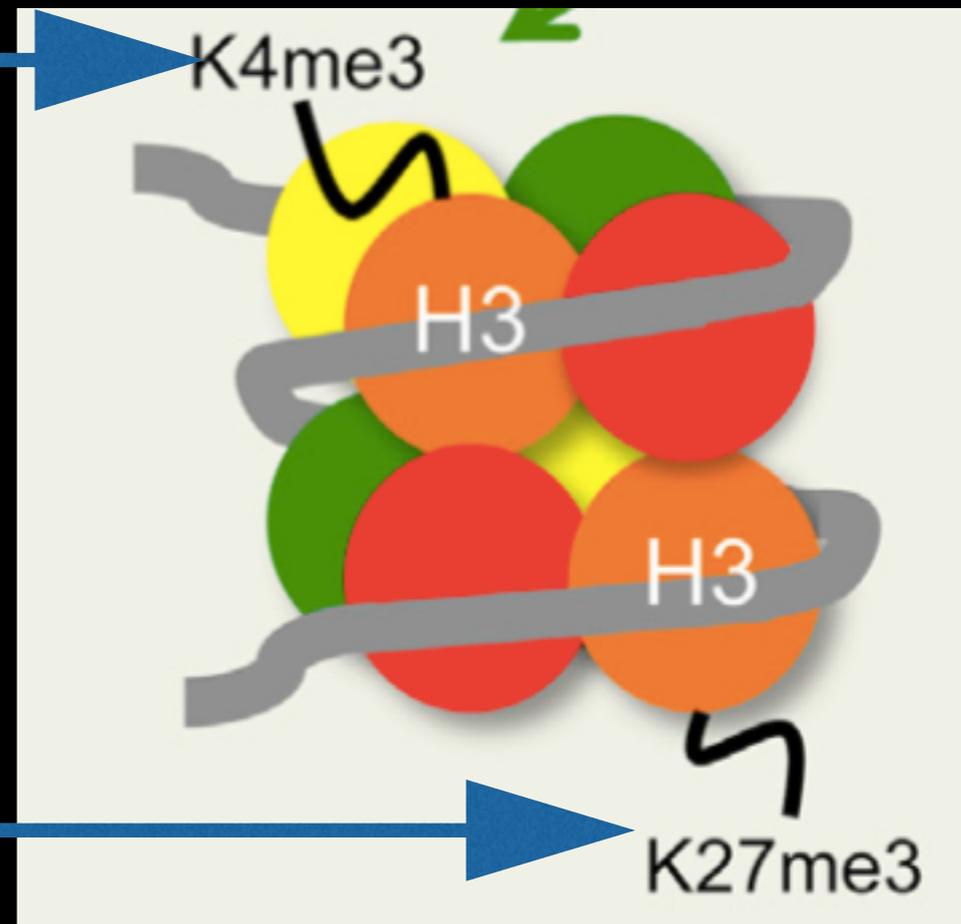
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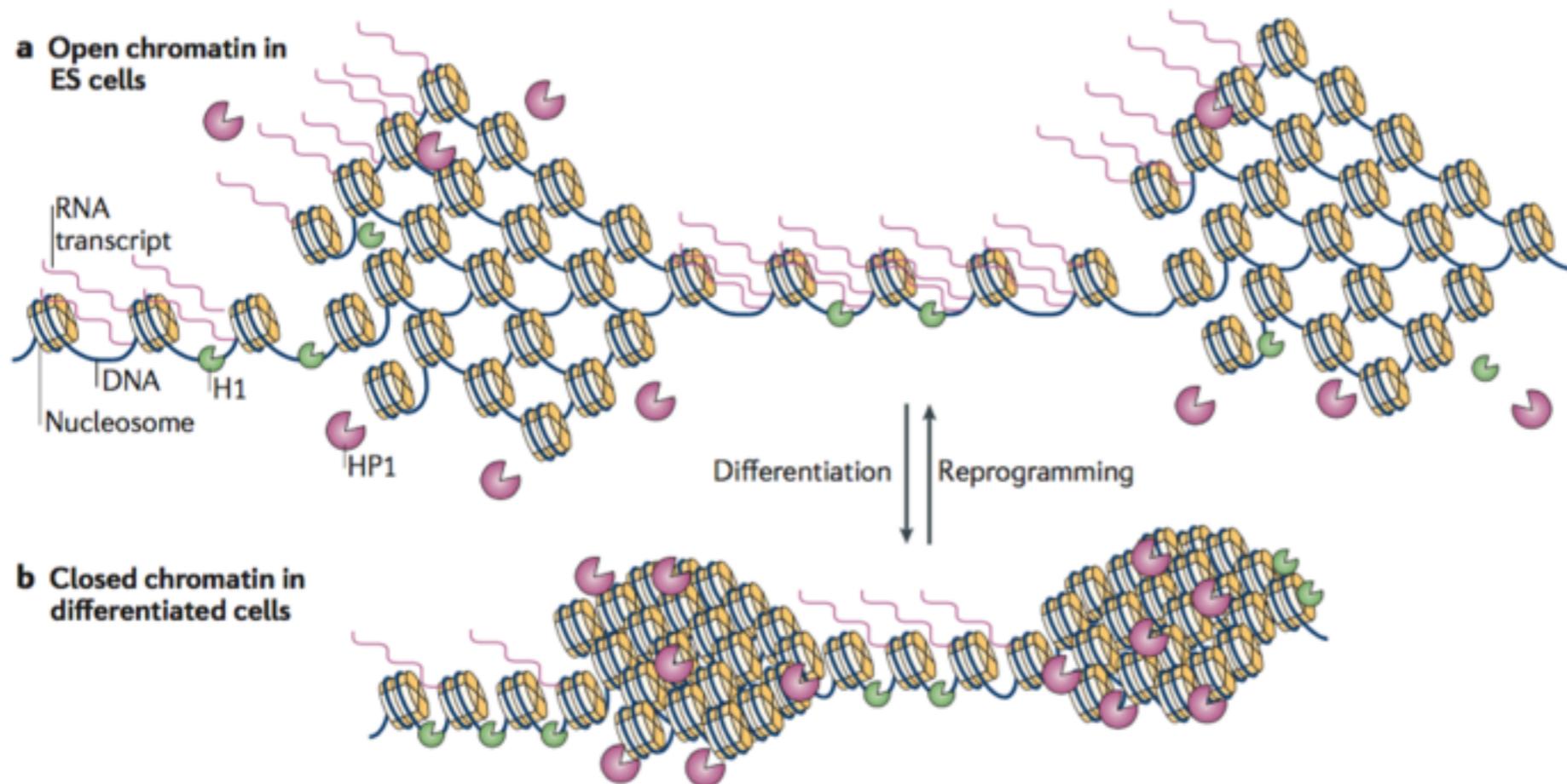
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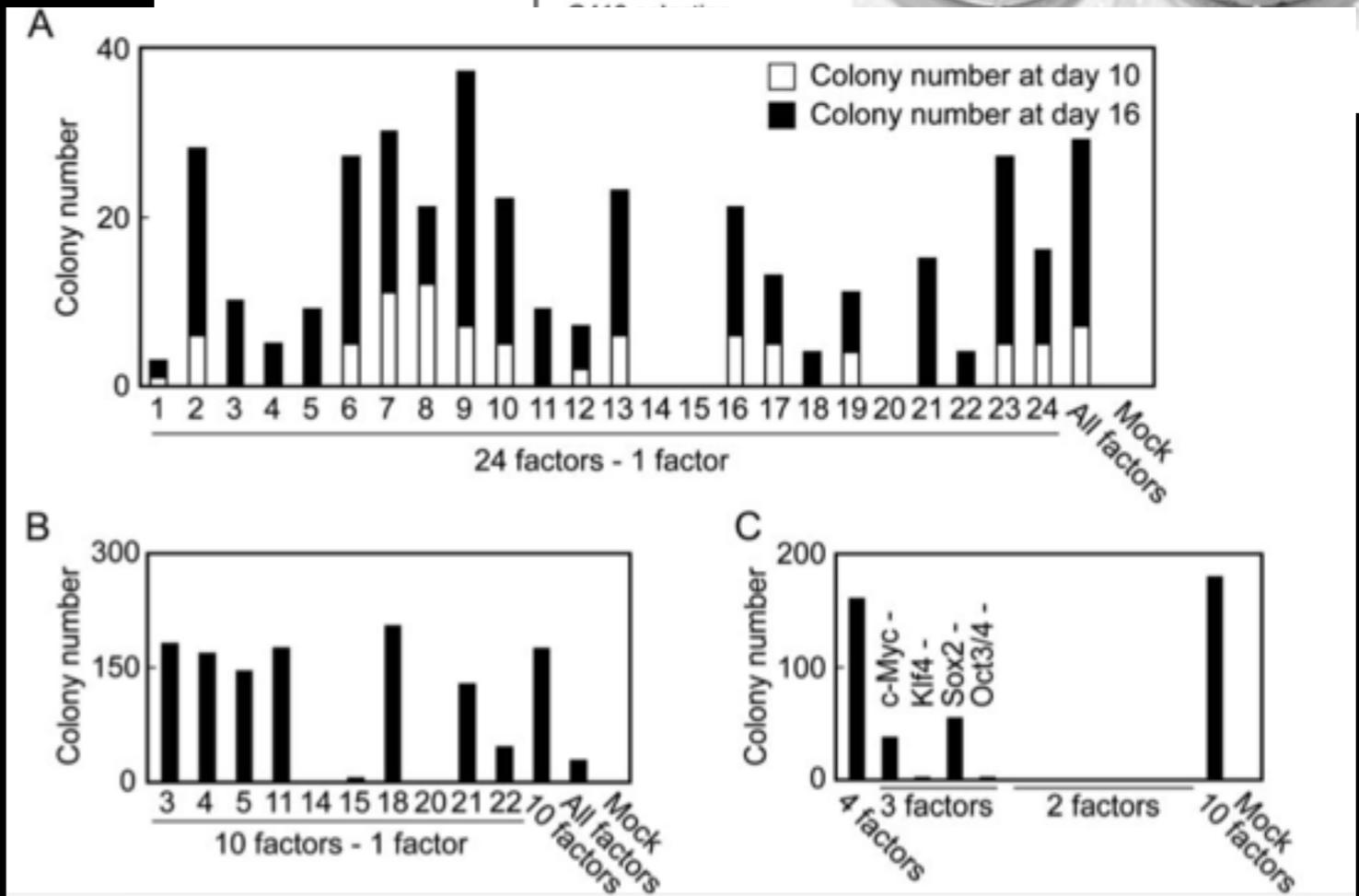
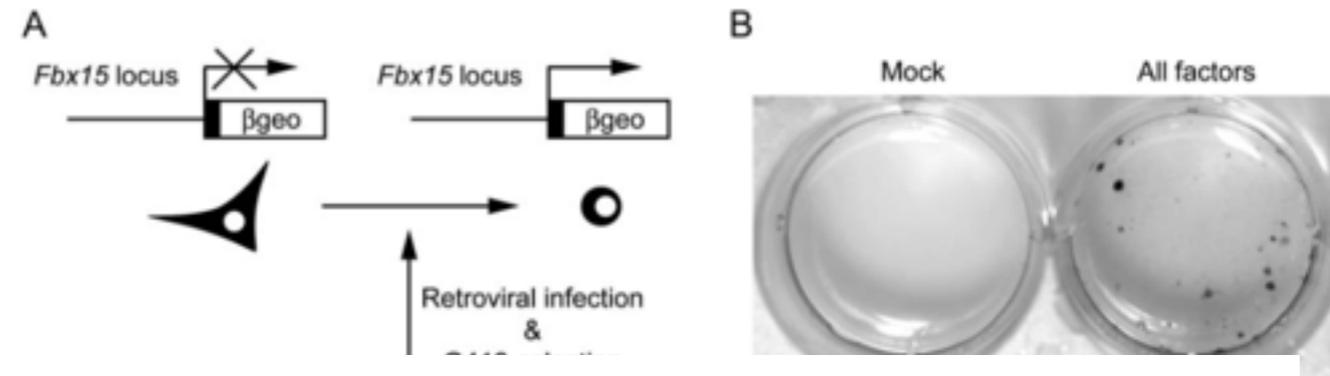
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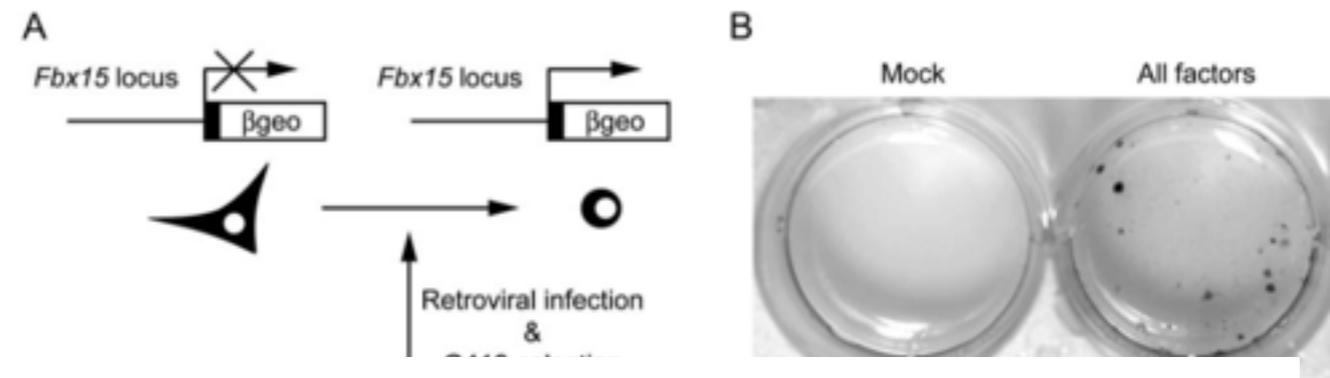
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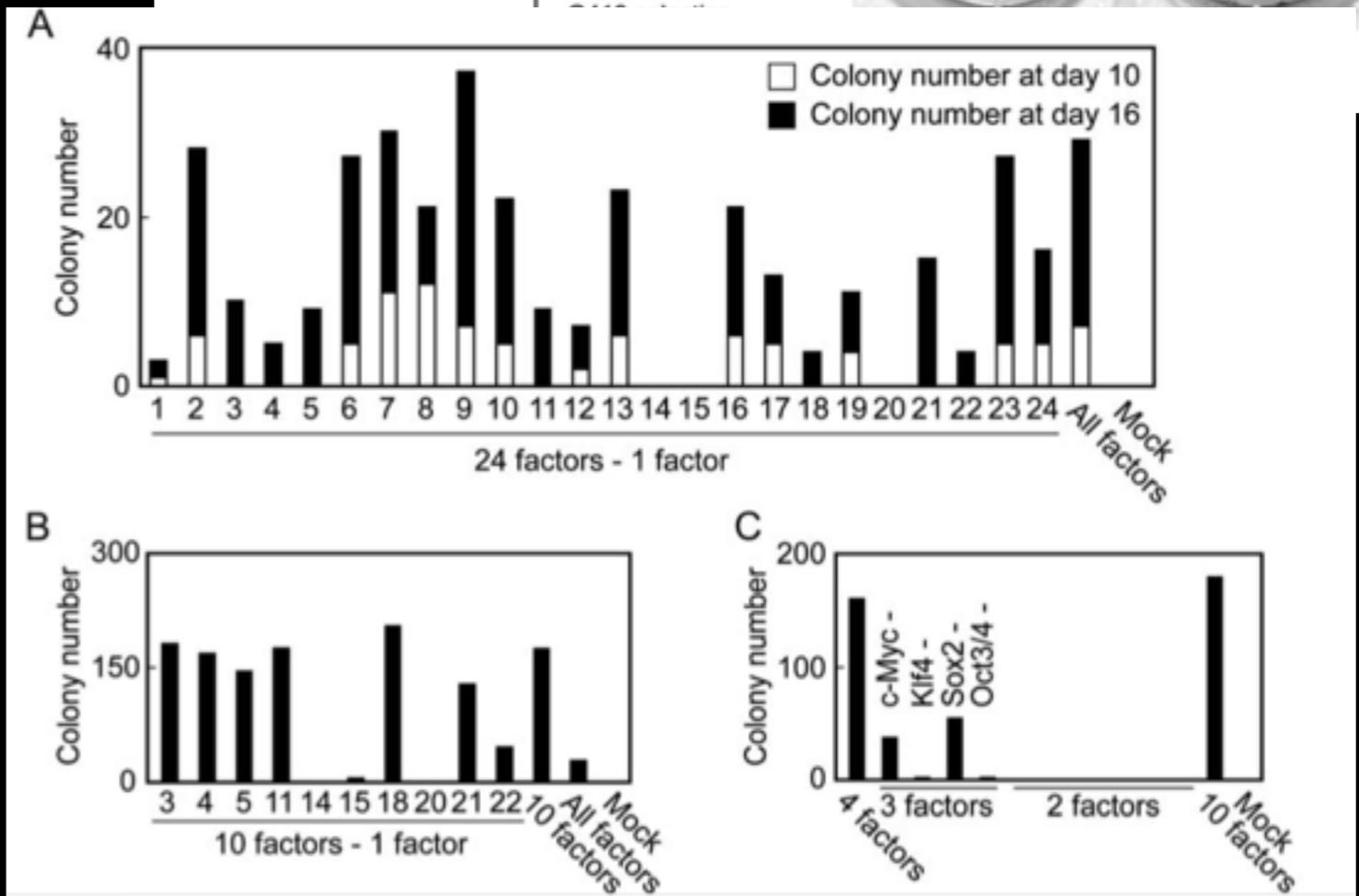
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Substates of the pluripotent state

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The cell cycle and differentiation

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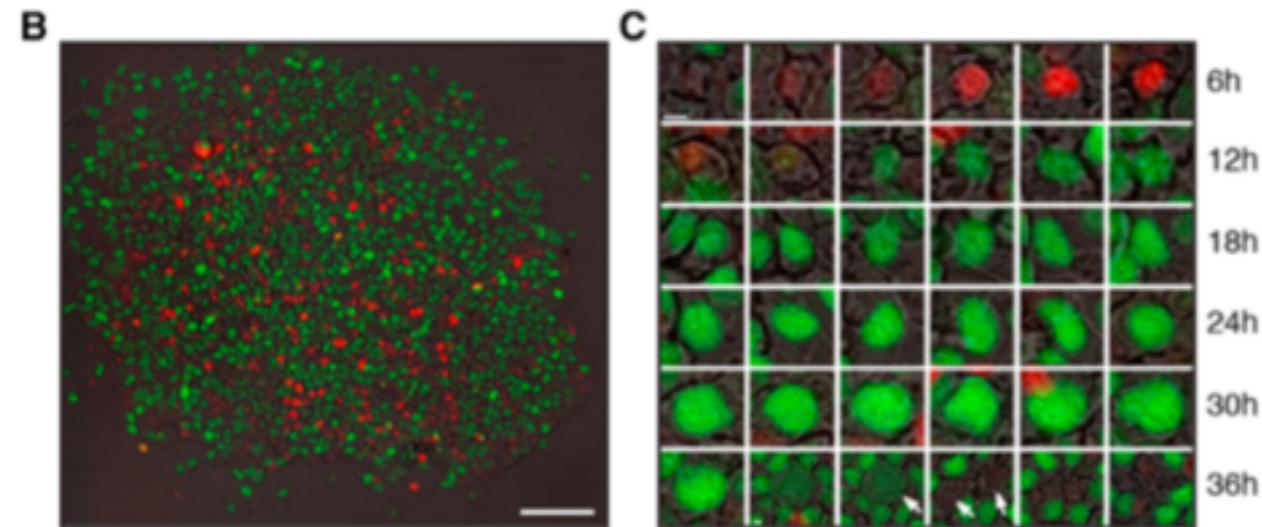
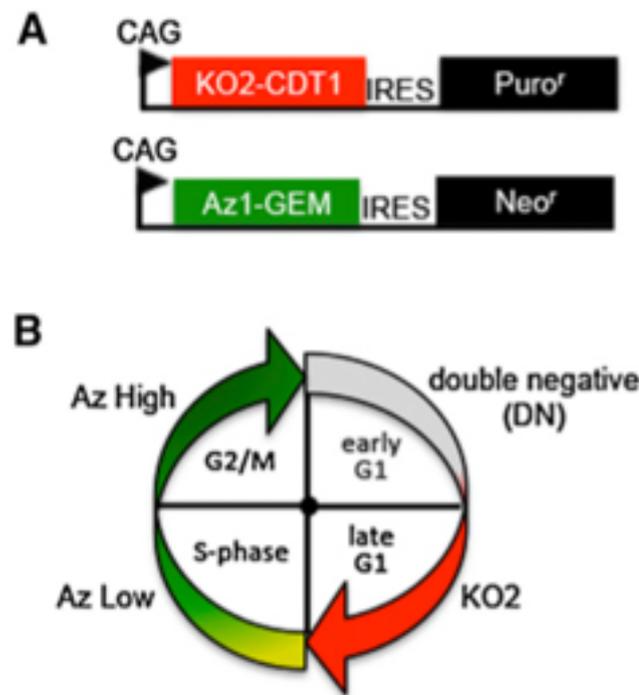
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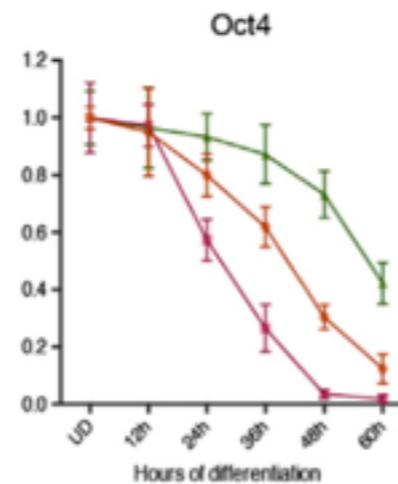
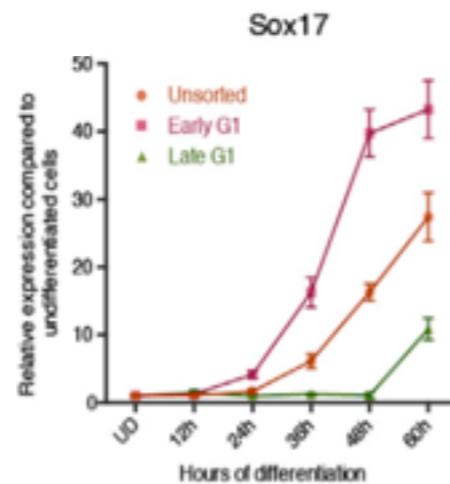
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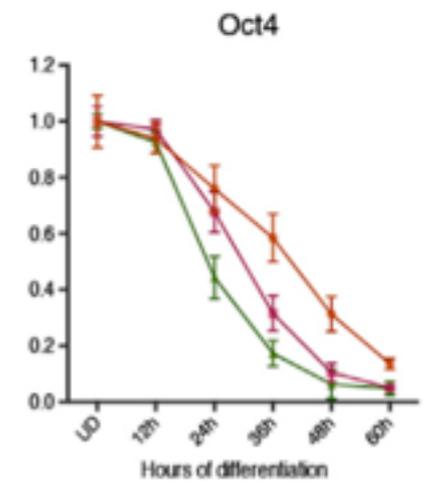
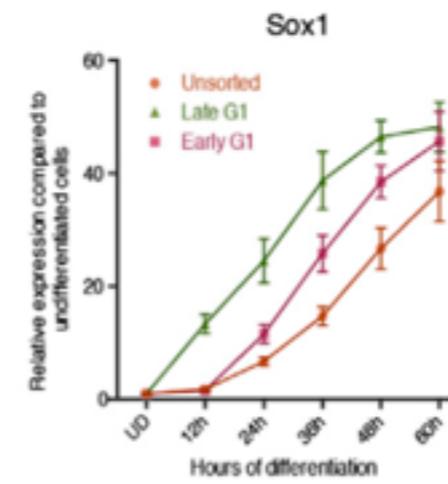
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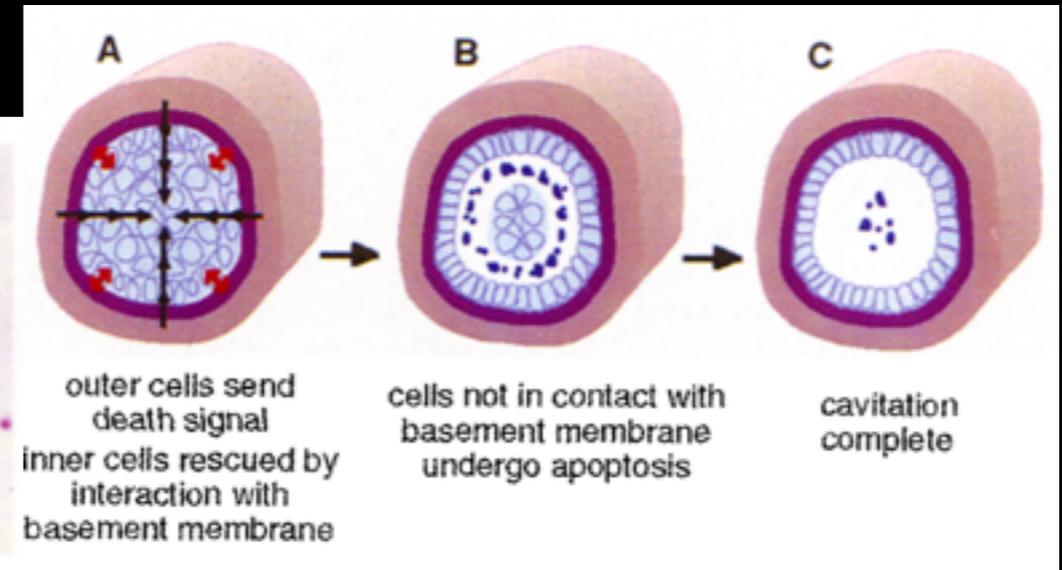
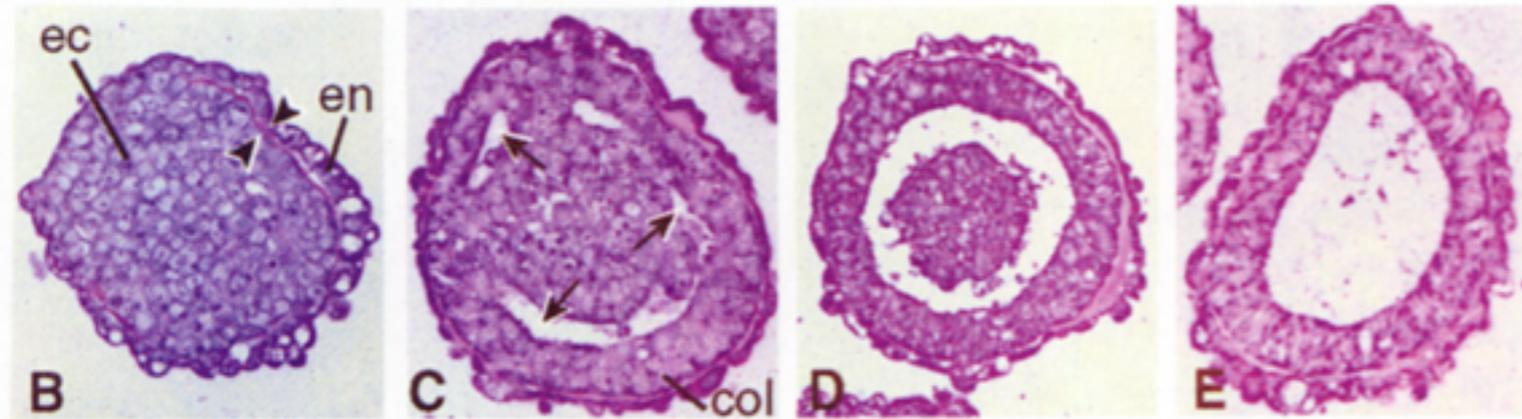
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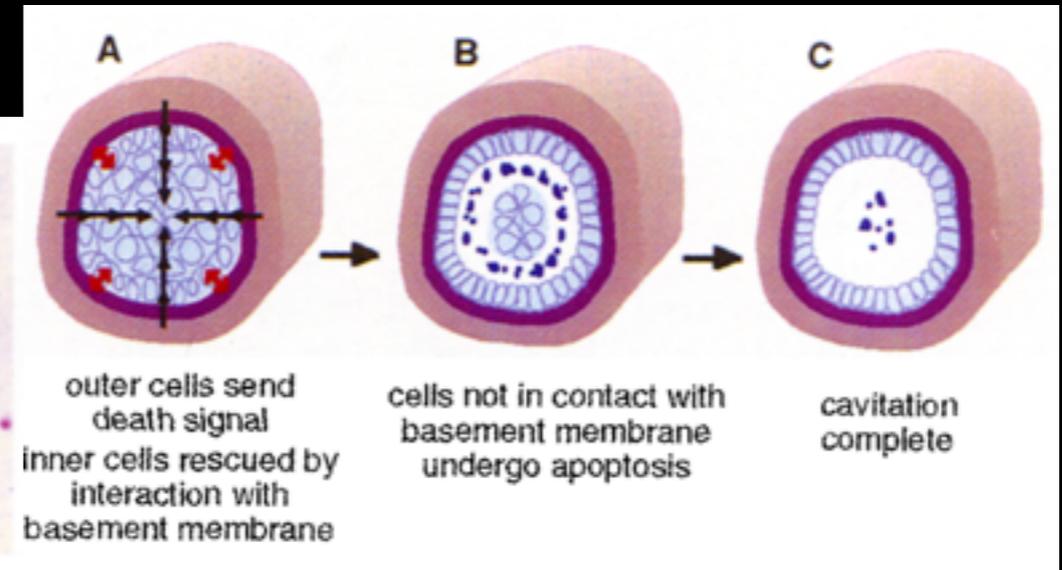
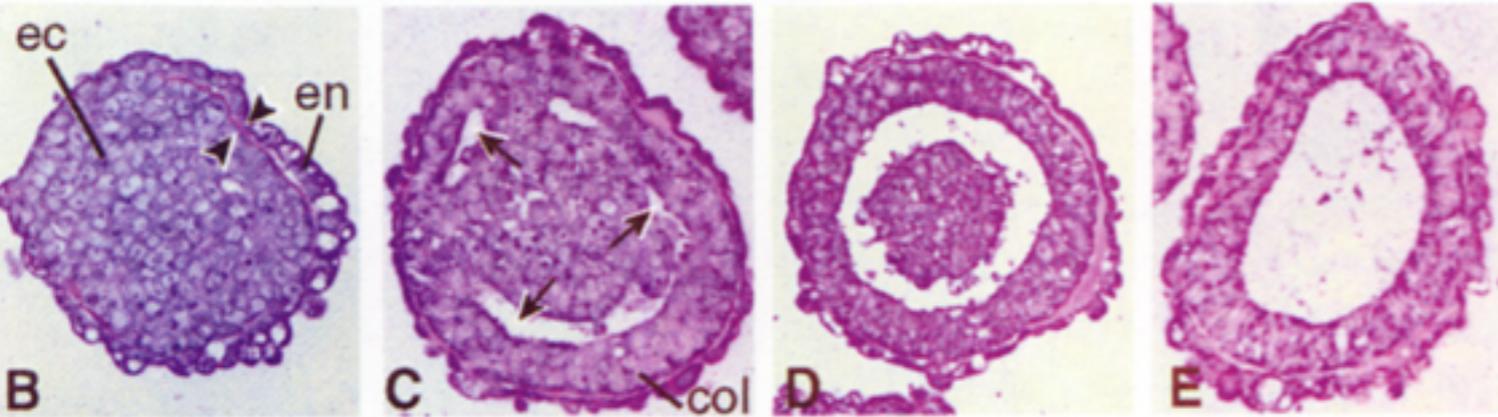
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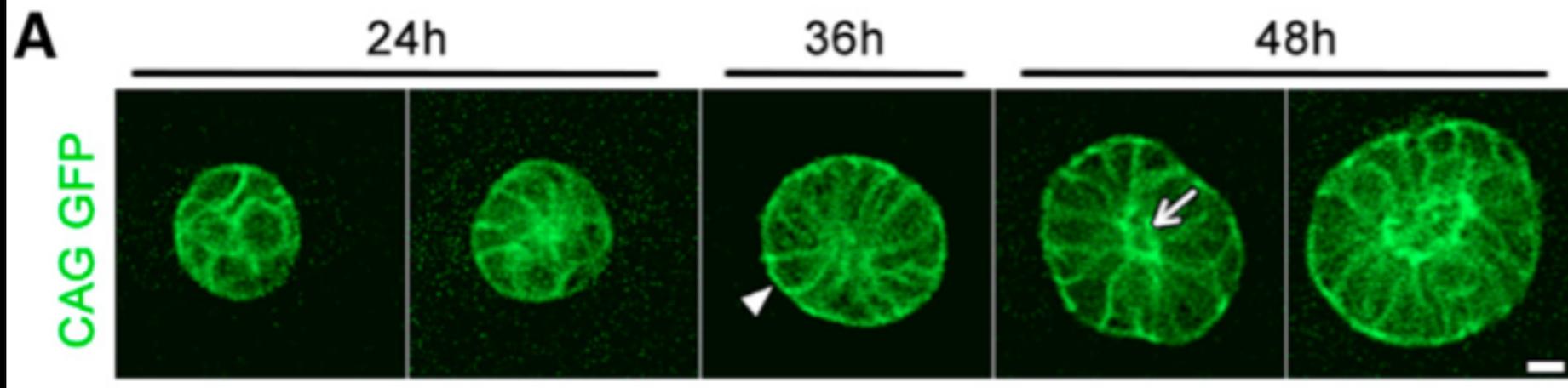
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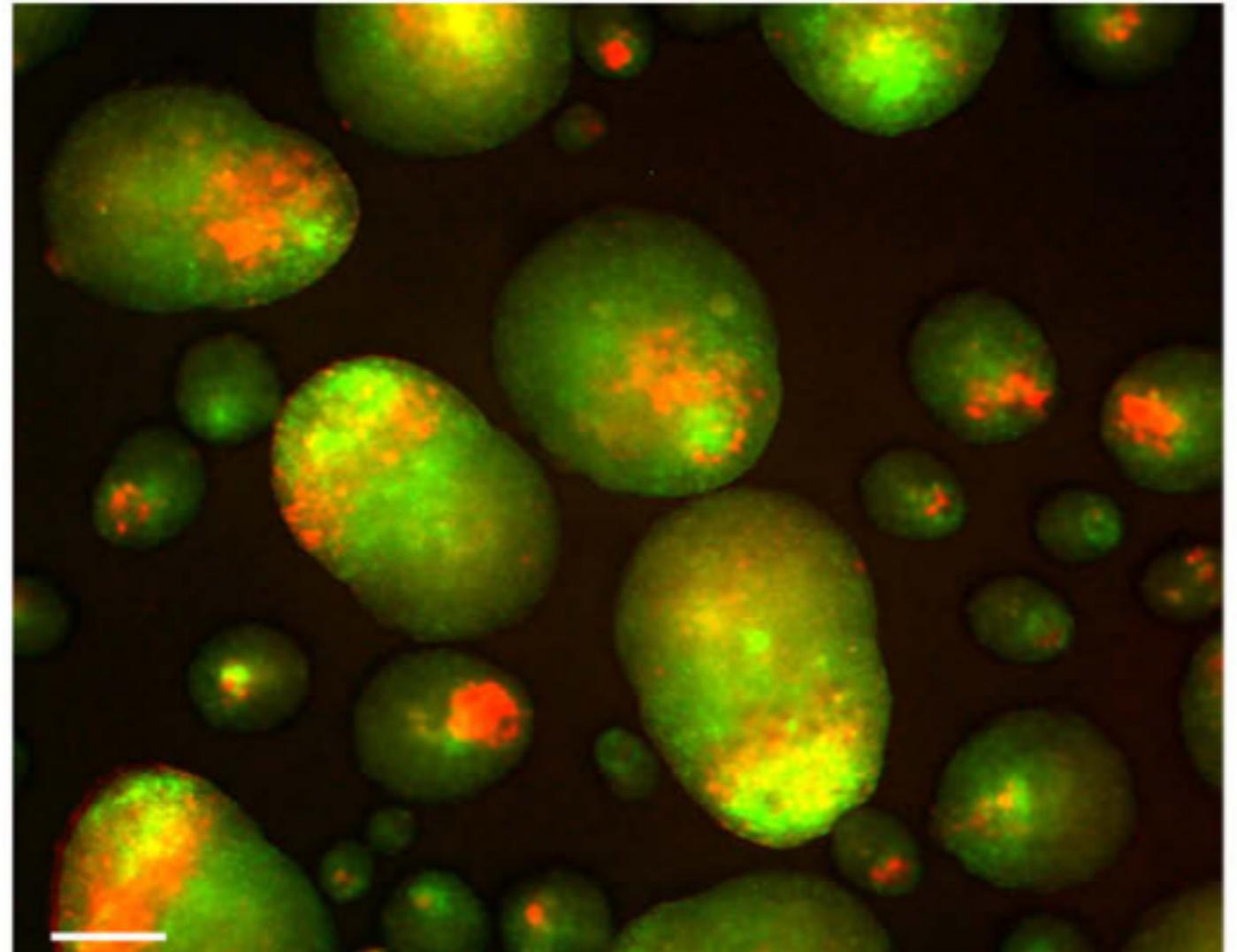
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