



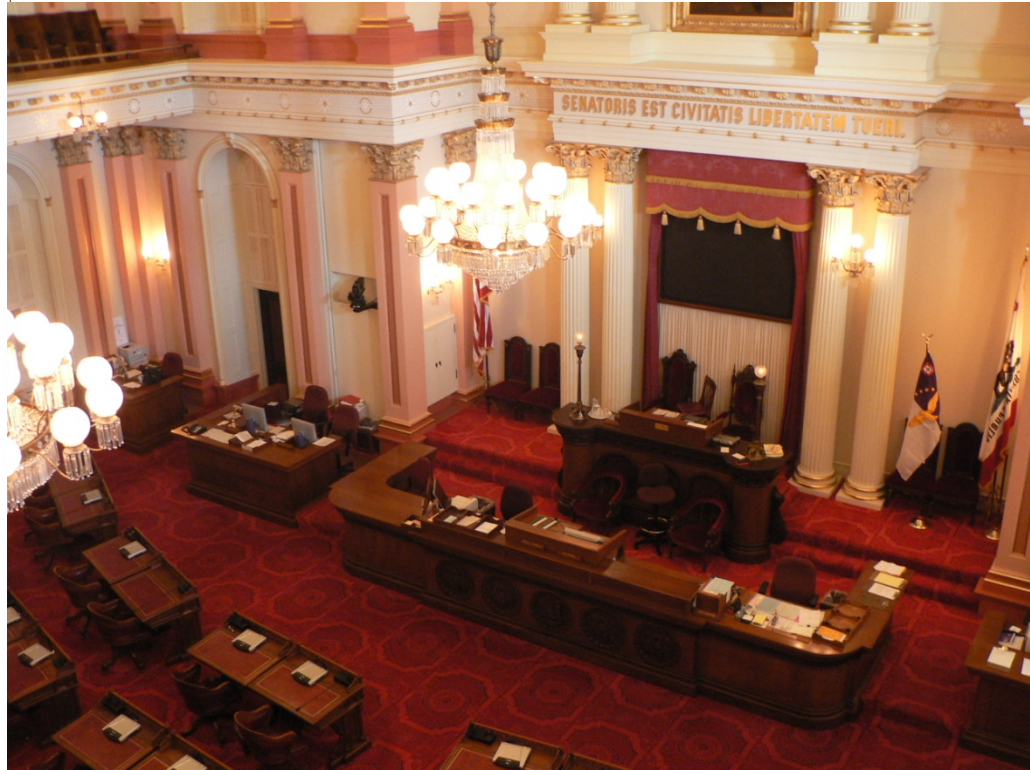
# Salk Stem Cell Core Facility

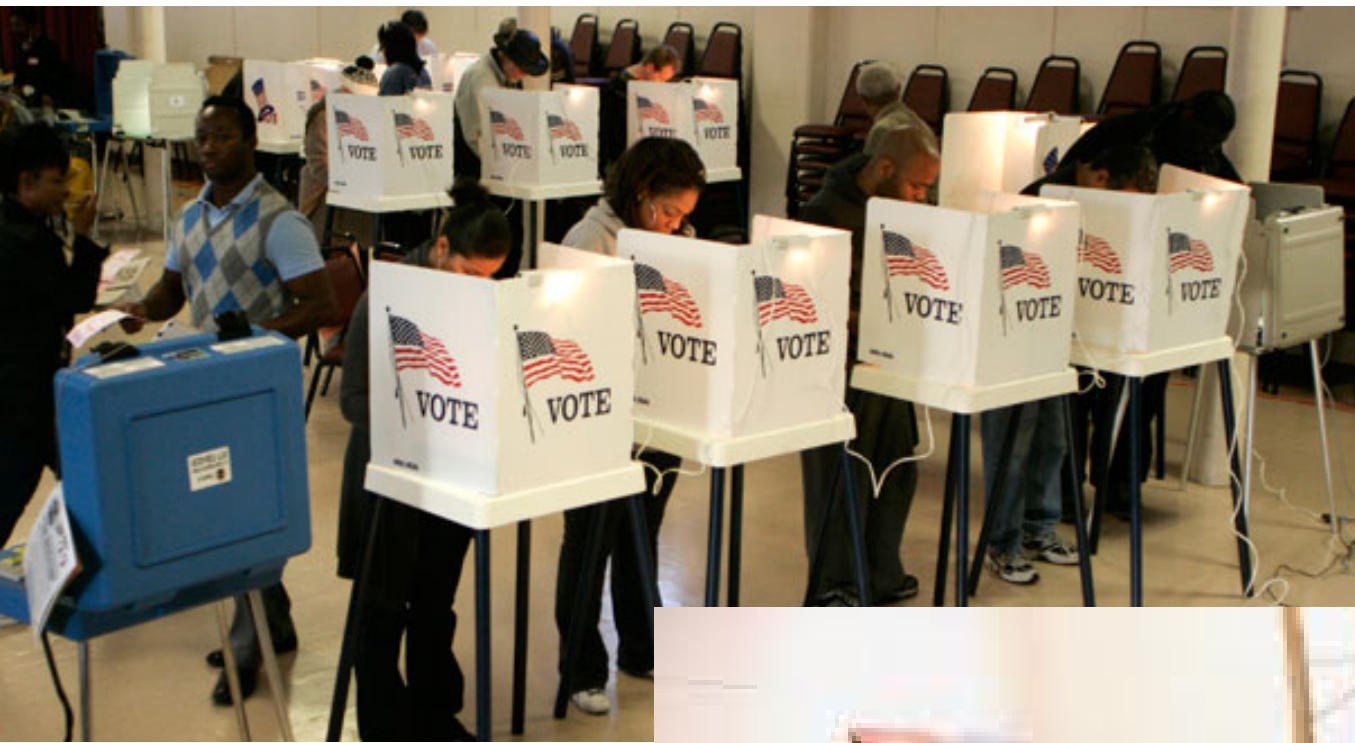
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**Why should you care?**







**YOU**

**What are stem cells?** What are the different types of stem cells?

**Why should we study stem cells?**

# **What Are Stem Cells?**

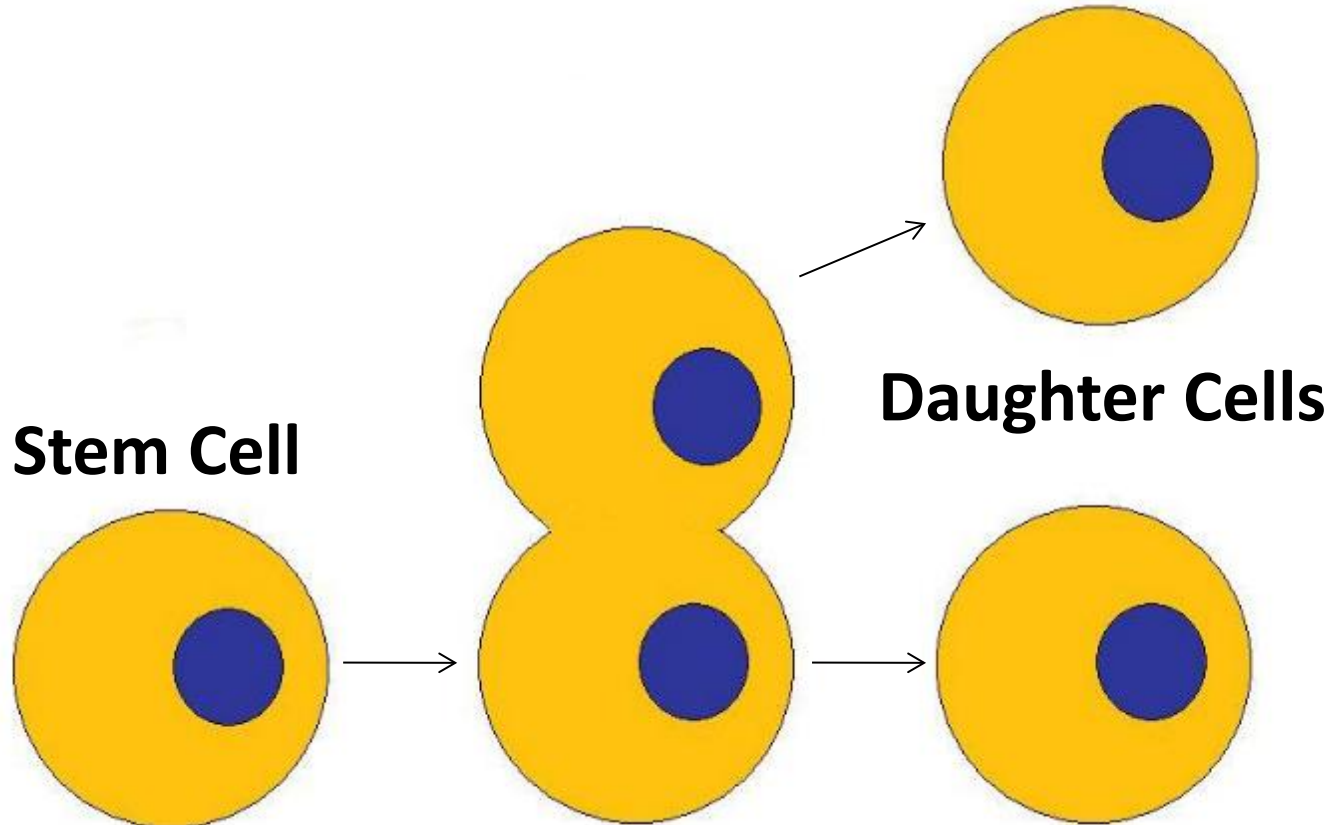
**1. Self-Renew**

**2. Differentiate**



# What Are Stem Cells?

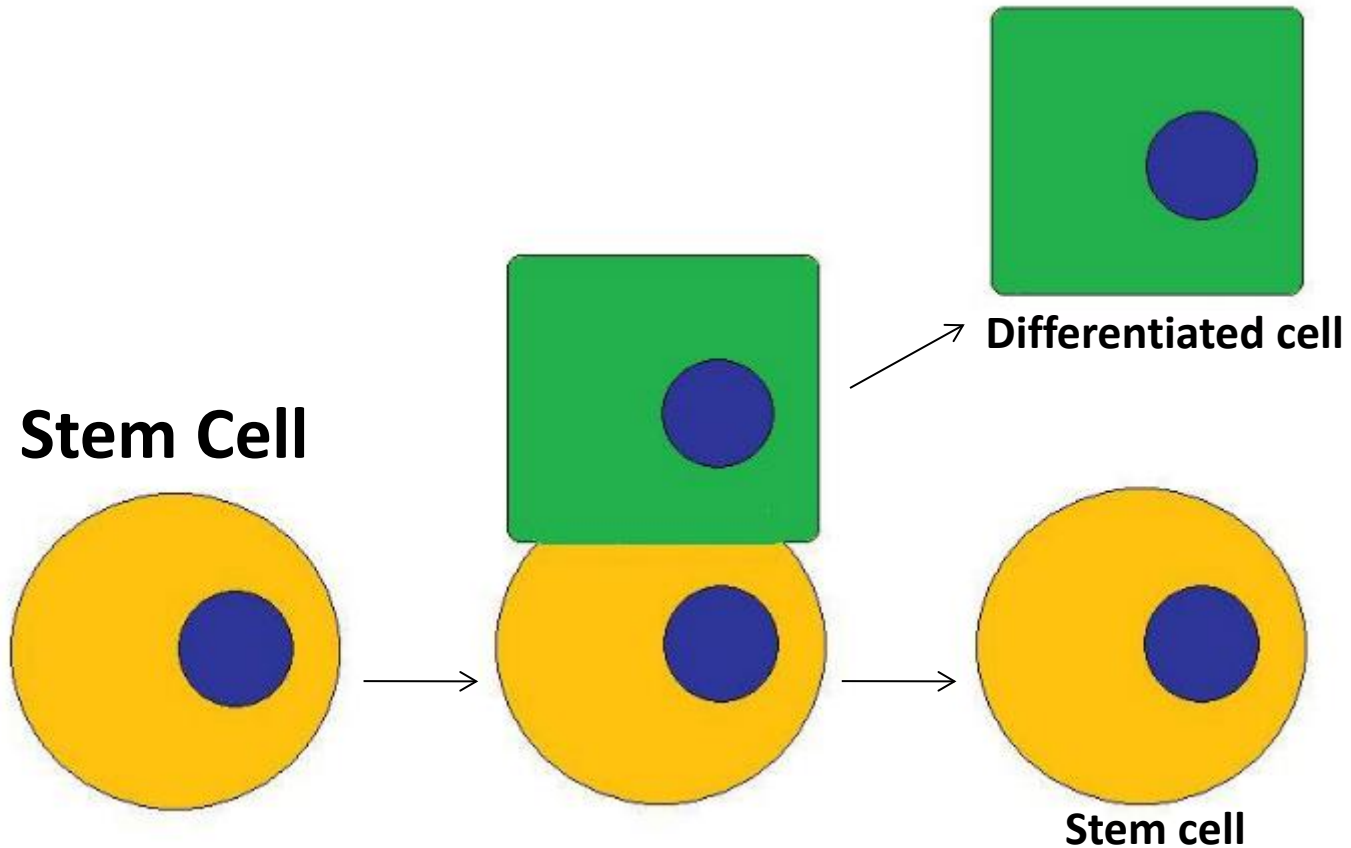
## 1. Self-Renewal Symmetric Division



# What Are Stem Cells?

## 2. Differentiation

### Asymmetric Division



# Stem Cell Types

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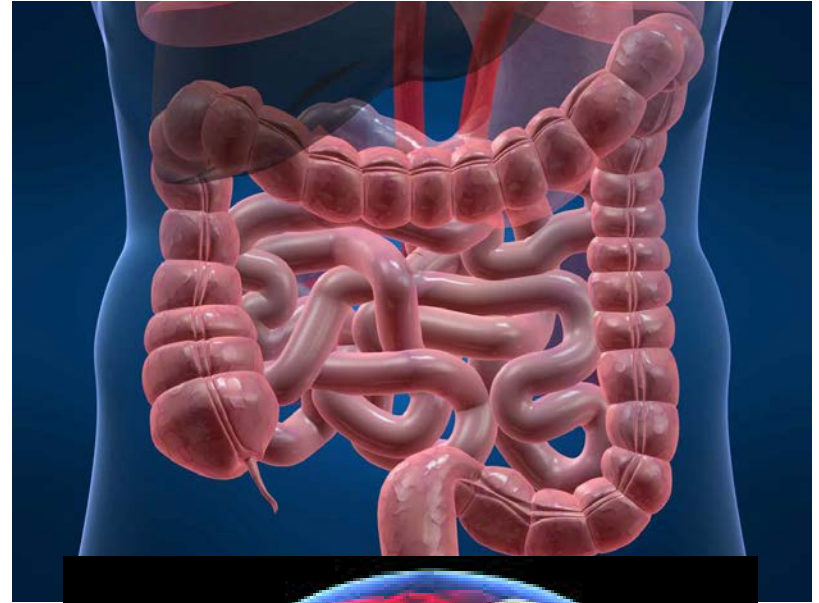
# Adult Stem Cells

## Where do they come from?

- Specific areas of the human body (bone marrow, gut, brain)

## What do they do?

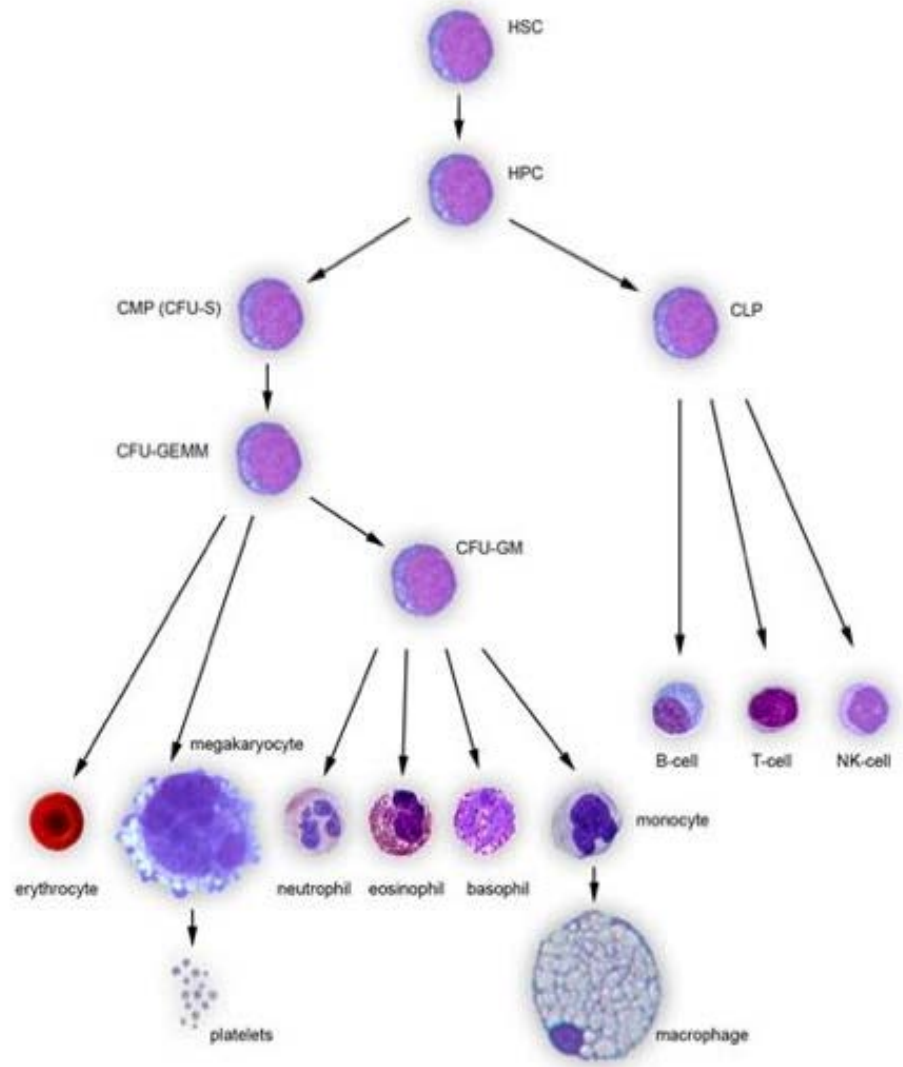
- Self-renew
- **MULTI**potent – differentiate into a few related cell types



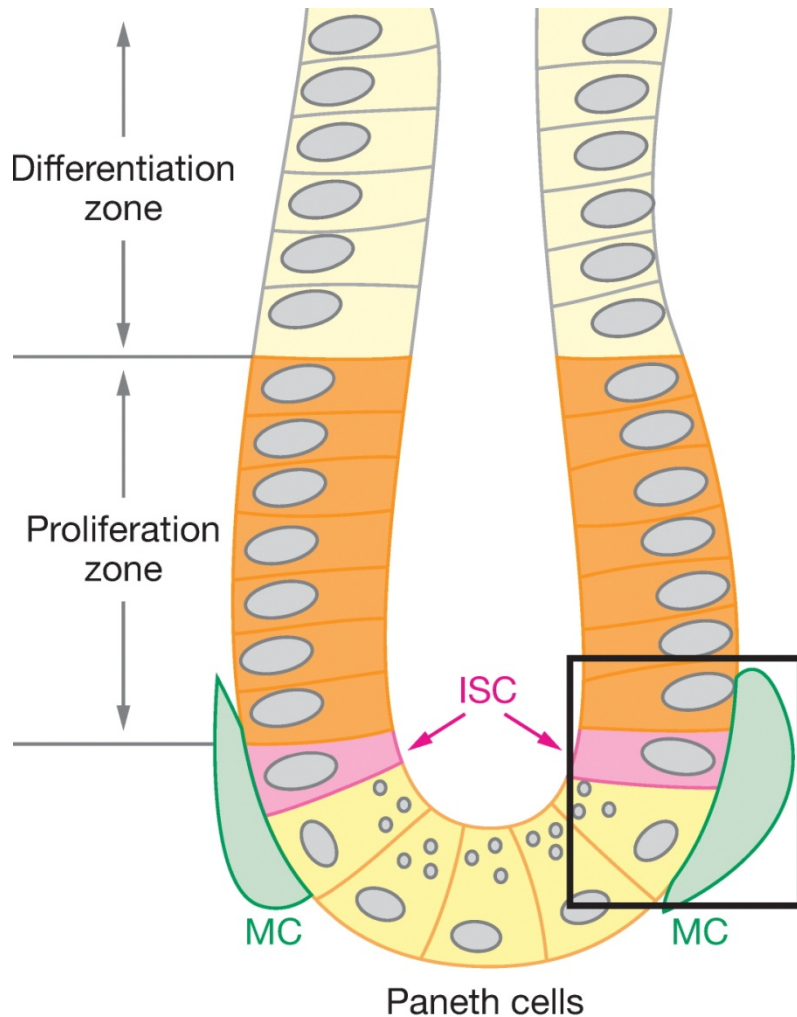


# Blood Stem Cells (aka Hematopoietic Stem Cells)

- Blood stem cells live in the bone marrow
  - 1 in 10,000 to 15,000 bone marrow cells
- Source of all blood and immune cells
- Therapeutic source – Bone Marrow Transplant



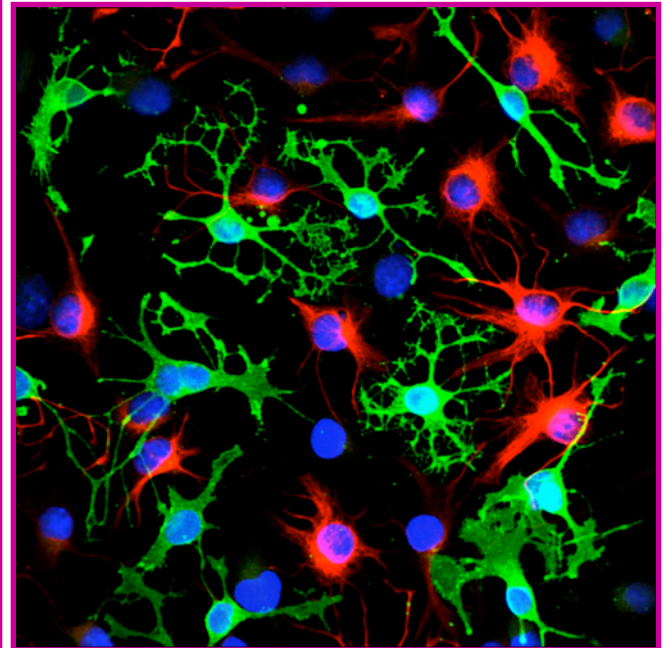
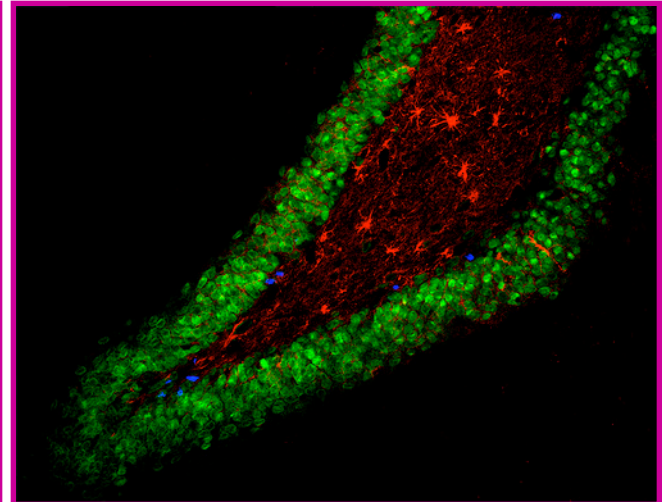
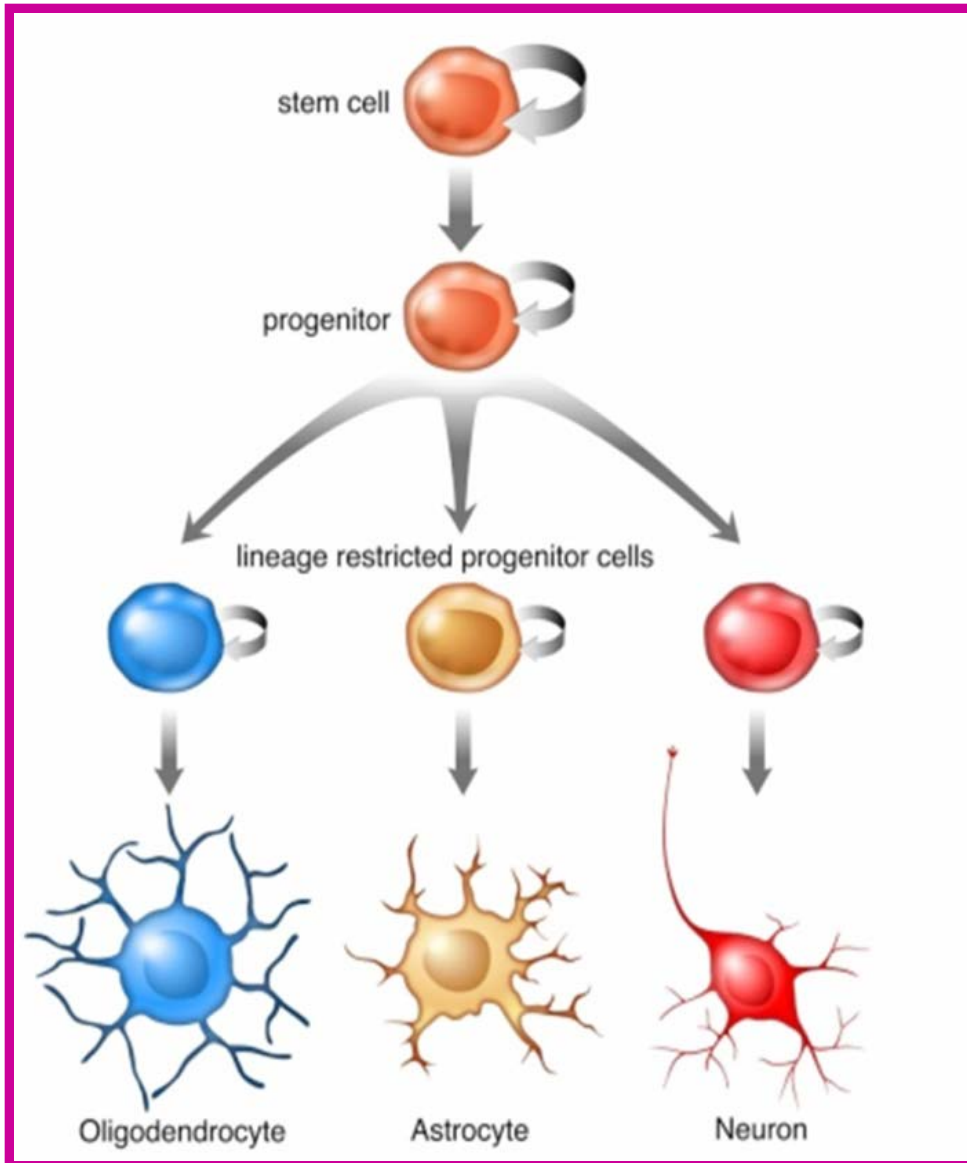
# Gut Stem Cells (Intestinal Stem Cells)



**Intestines lined with  
1000s of vili.**

**Intestinal lining is  
replace ever 3-5 days.**

# Stem cells in the adult brain





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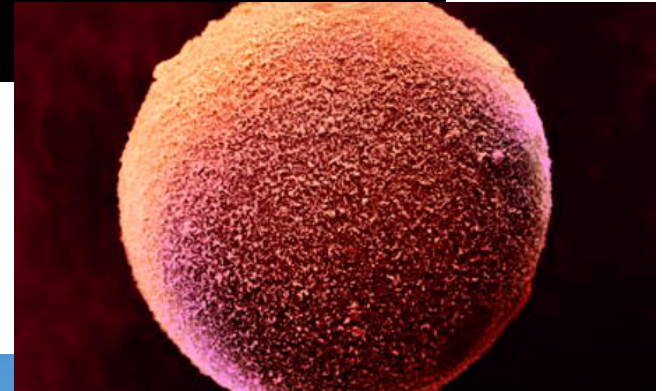
# Embryonic Stem Cells

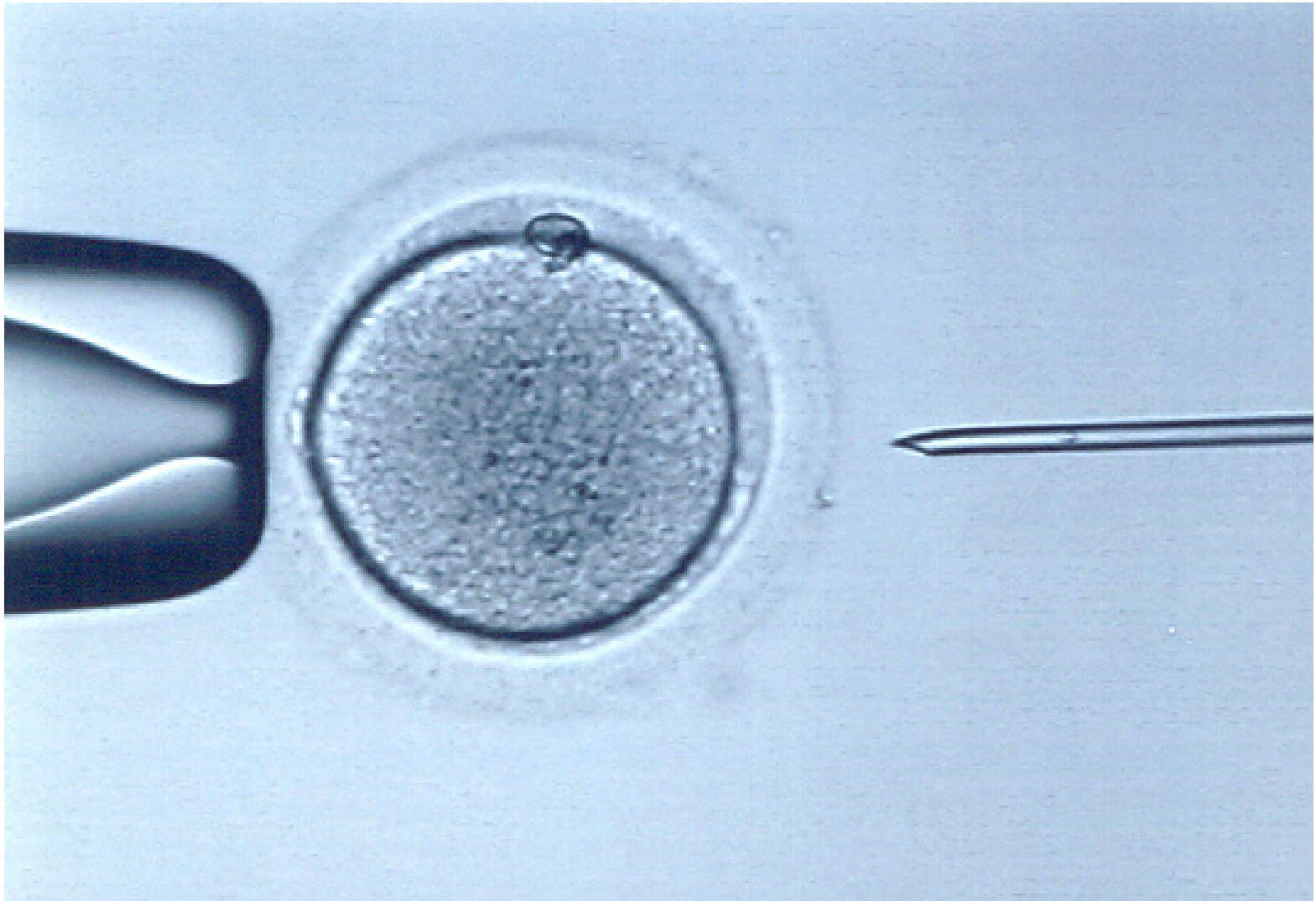
## Where do they come from?

- Unused material from the in-vitro fertilization process (IVF)

## What do they do?

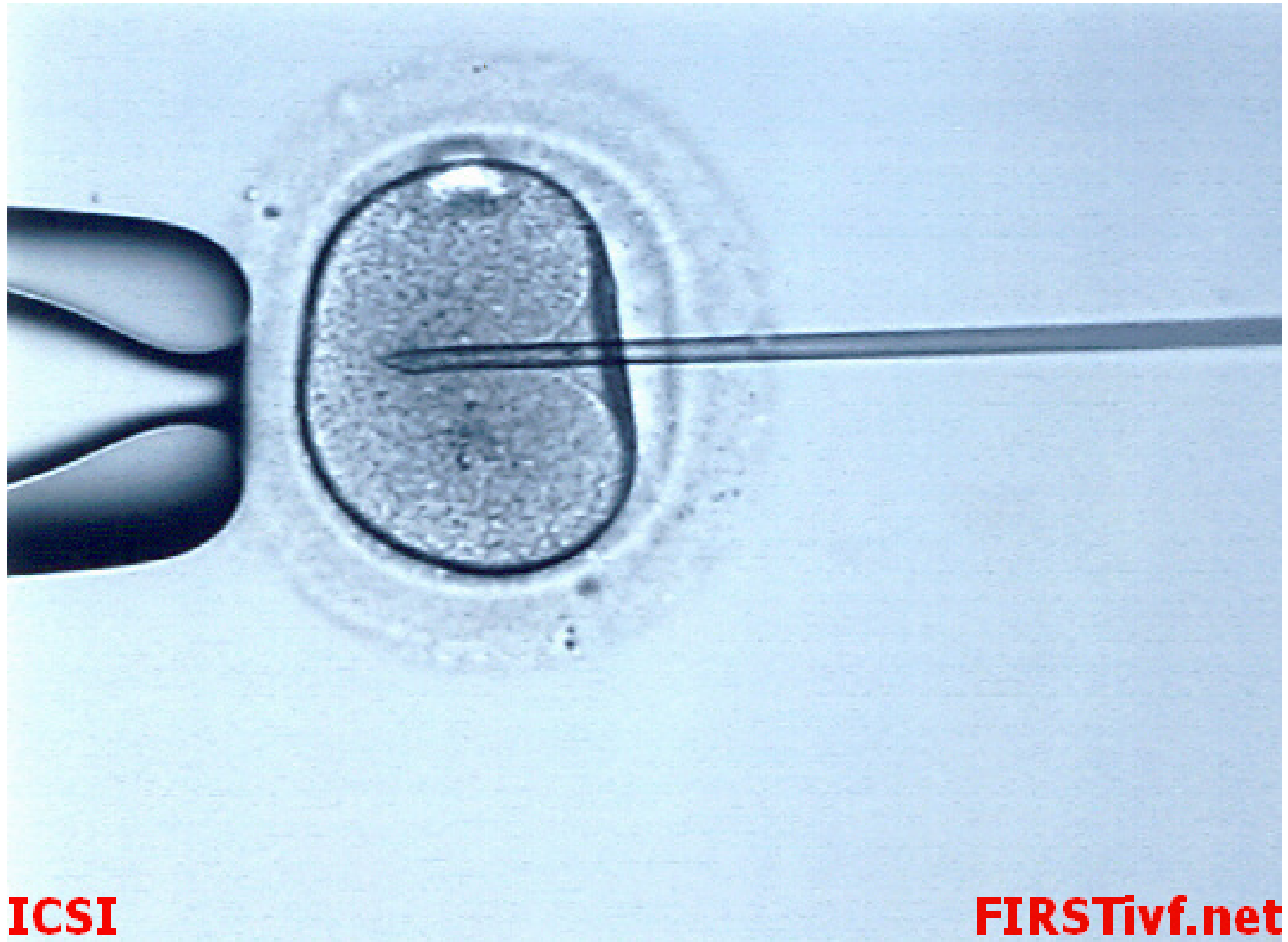
- Self-renew
- Divide indefinitely
- Turn into any cell in the body
- **PLURI**potent





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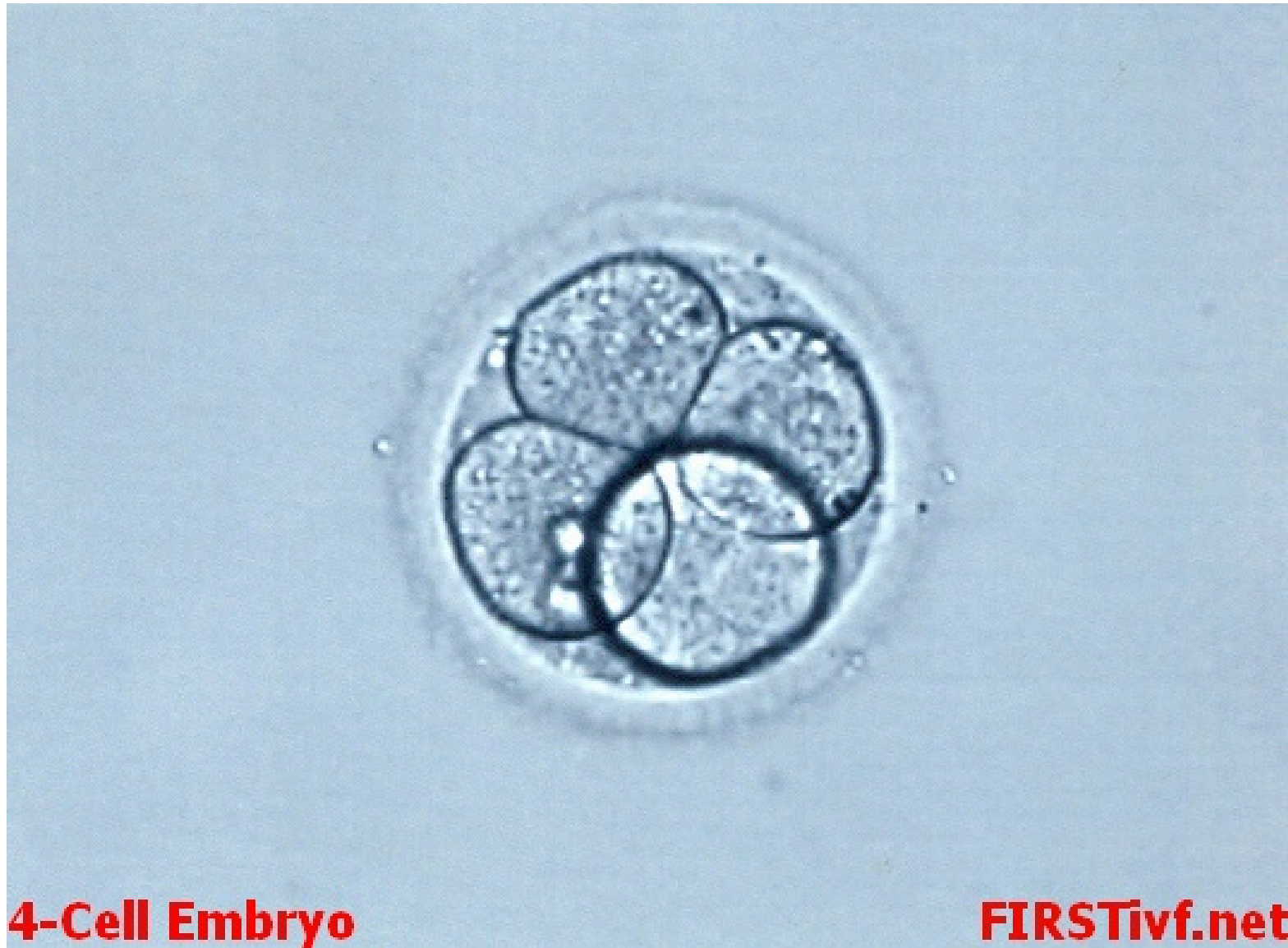
**Fertilized Egg**

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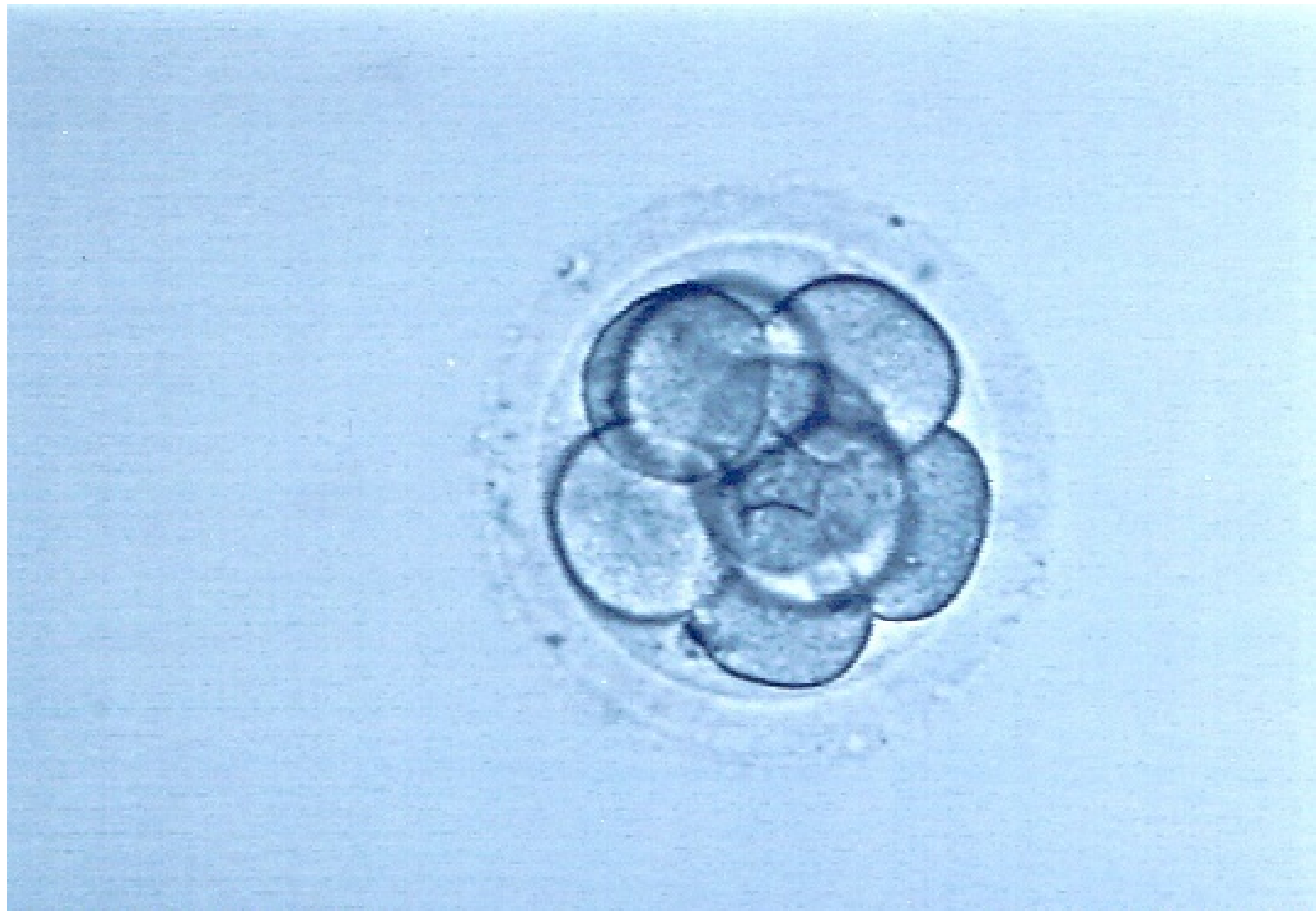
**2-Cell Embryo**

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**4-Cell Embryo**

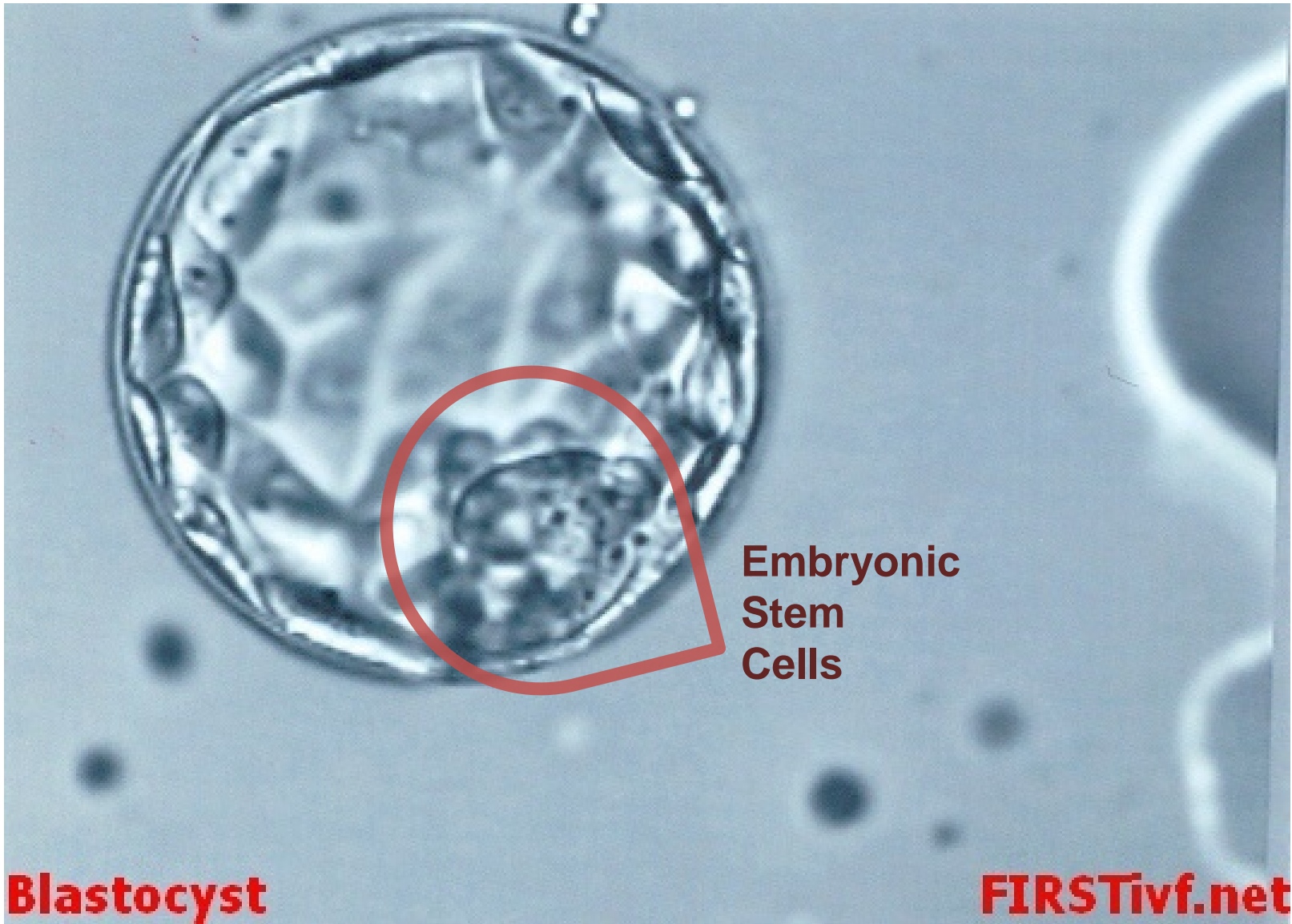
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**8-Cell Embryo**

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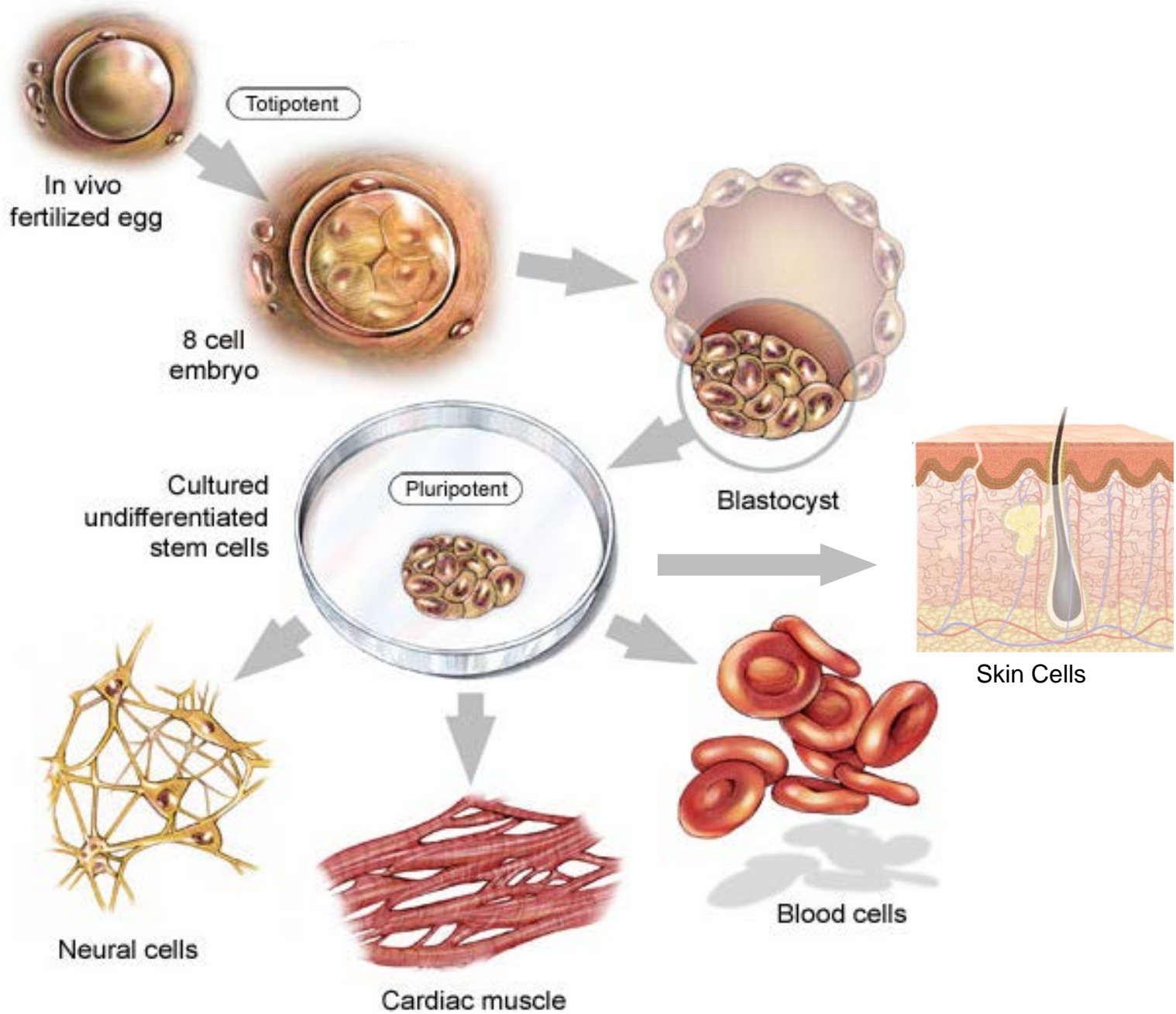


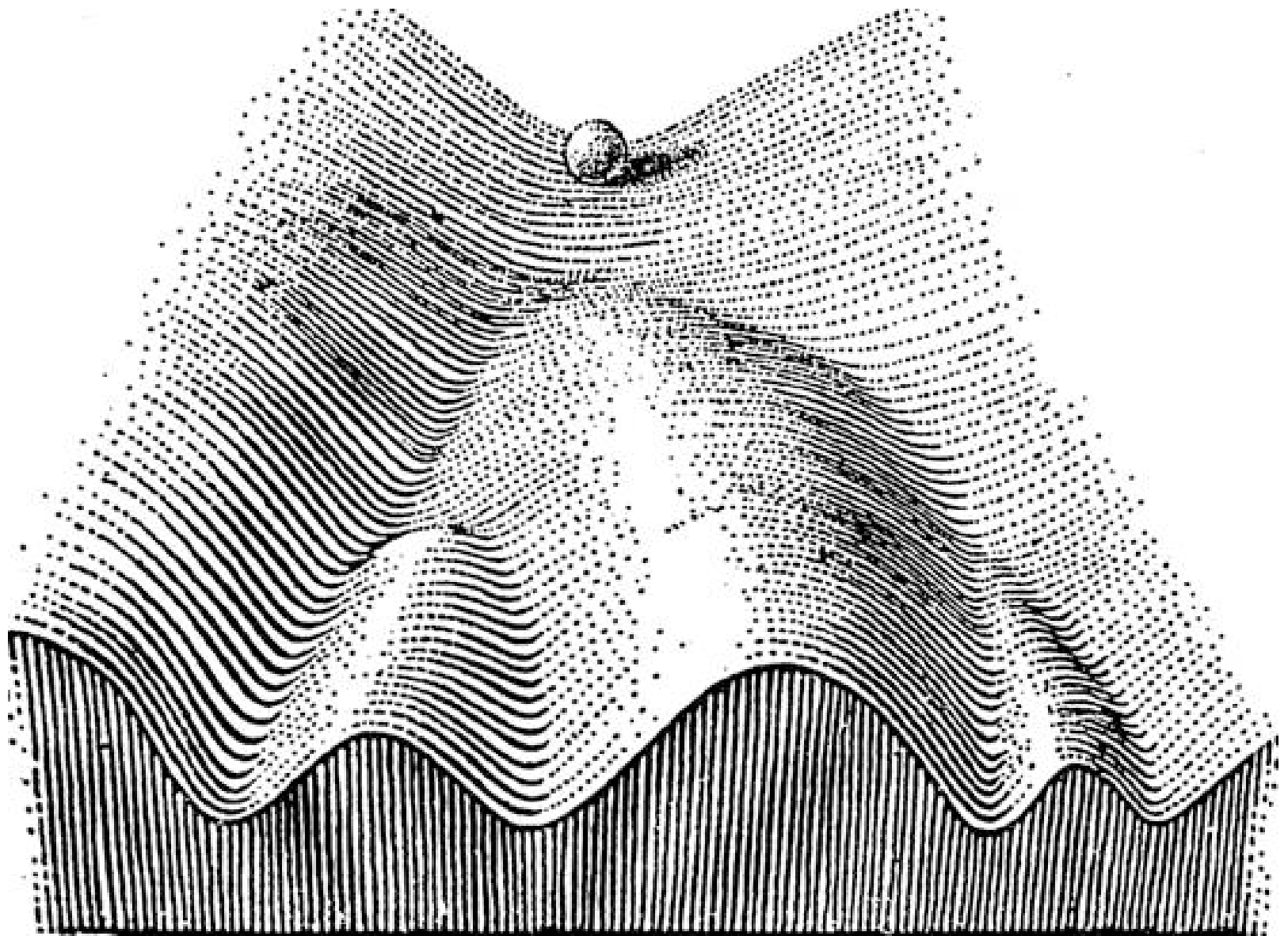


**Embryonic  
Stem  
Cells**

**Blastocyst**

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Waddington, *The Strategy of the Genes*, 1957

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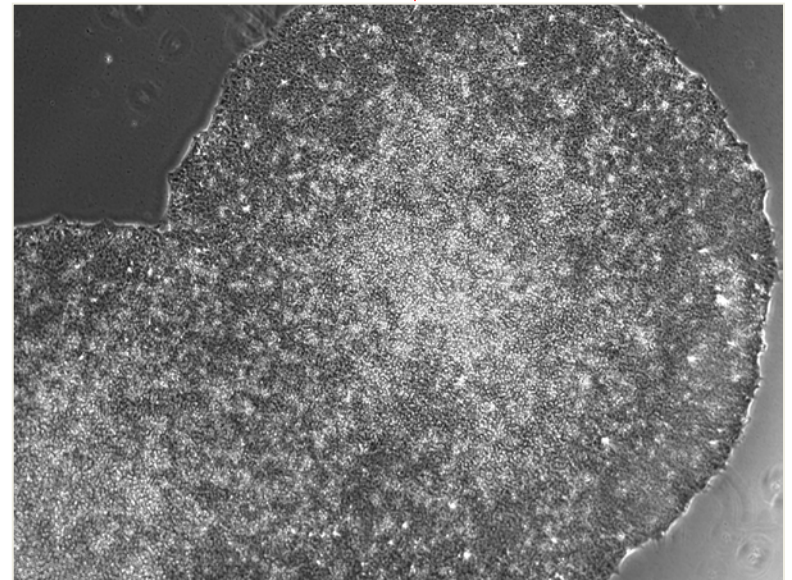
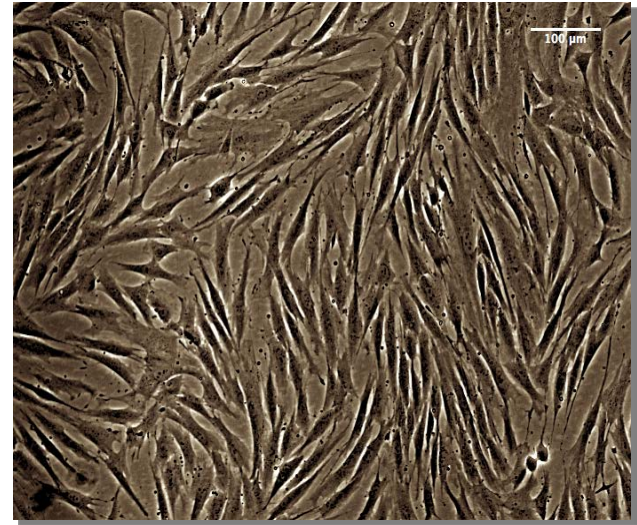
# Induced Pluripotent Stem Cells

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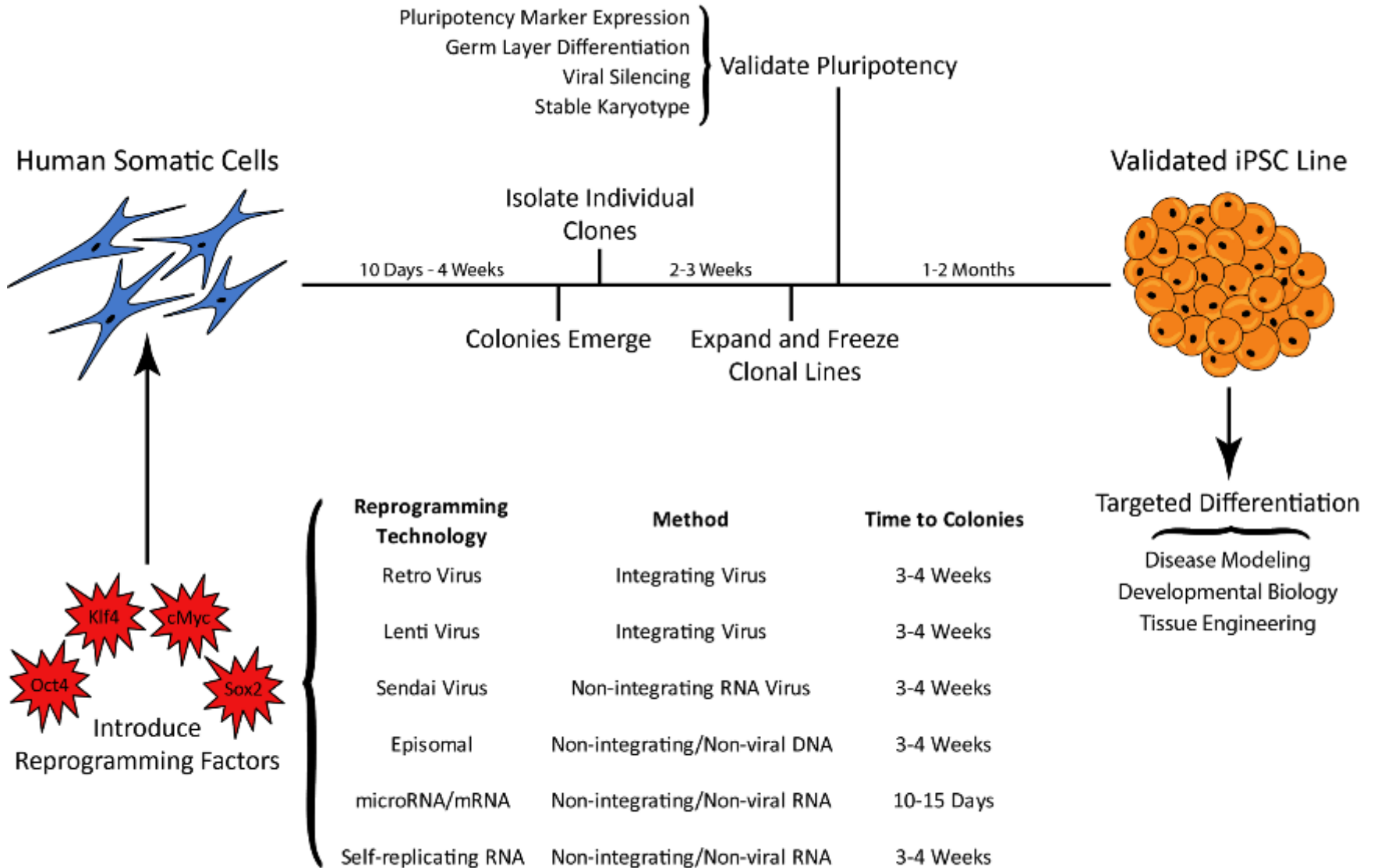
- Generated from patient skin cells (or blood cells... even FAT!)
- Any somatic tissue

## What do they do?

- Self-renew
- Divide indefinitely
- Turn into any cell in the body
- **PLURI**potent



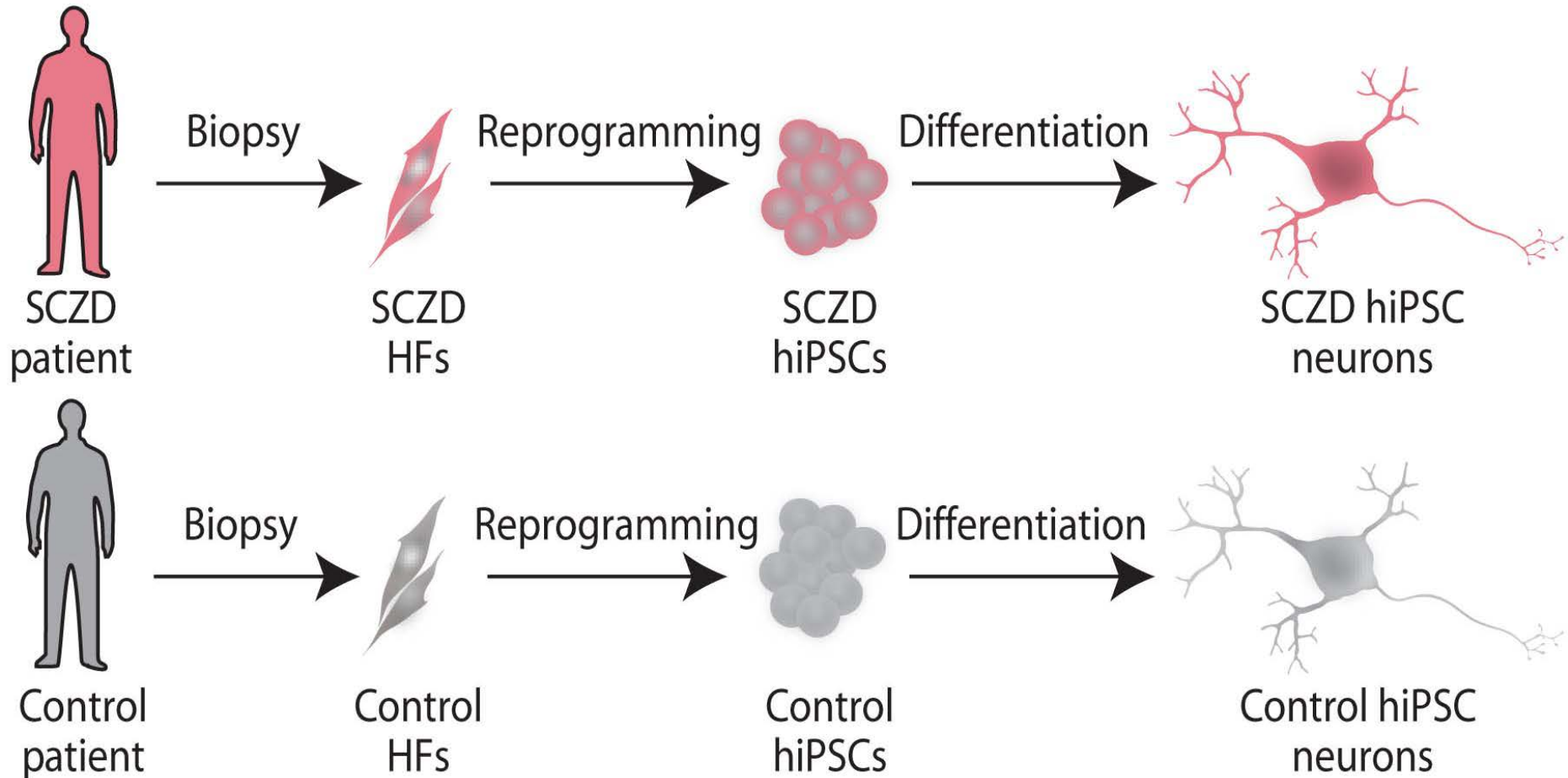
# Induced Pluripotent Stem (iPS) Cells



# Application of Human Stem Cells

- Basic Biology: Further our understanding of human development
- Biomedical Research:
  - Disease modeling
    - Further understanding of disease development
    - Platform for drug discovery
  - Tissue replacement therapy
    - Adult Stem Cells
    - Pluripotent Stem Cells (hESC and hiPSC)

# Modeling Human Disease in a Dish

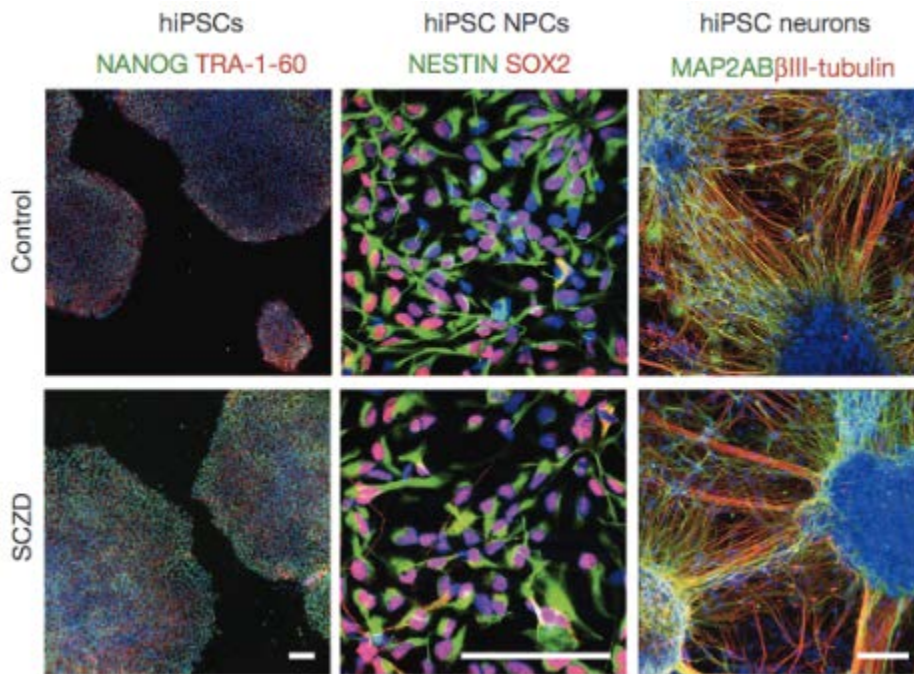




# Modelling schizophrenia using human induced pluripotent stem cells

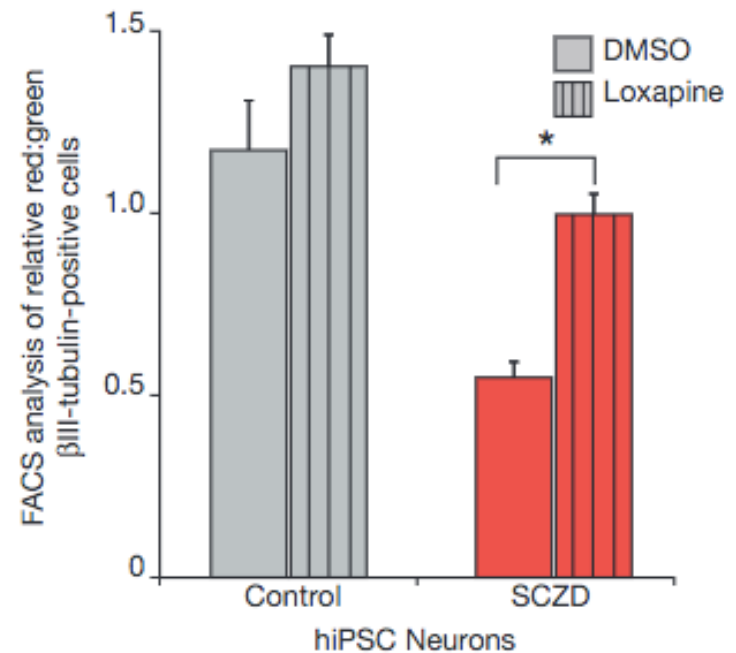
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Patient Specific hiPSCs, NPCs, and neurons



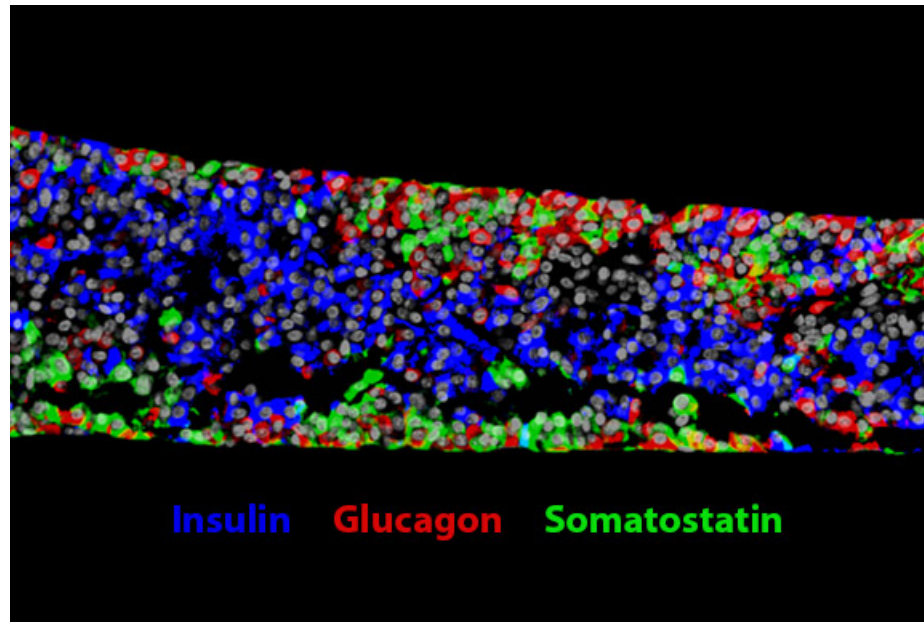
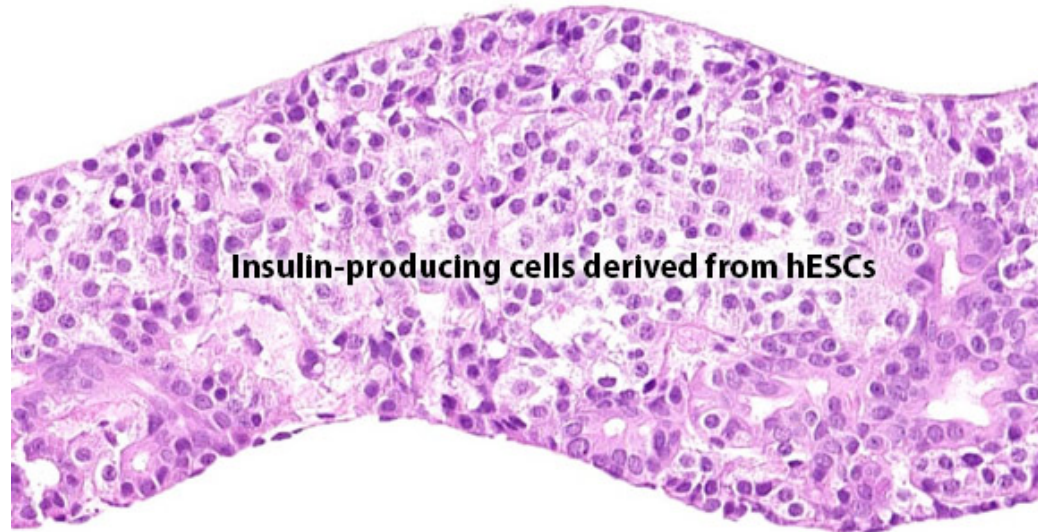
Brennand et al., Nature, May 2011

Connectivity Deficit with SCZD Neurons



# Using Embryonic Stem Cells to Treat Diabetes

Viacyte



# Delivering Therapeutic Cells to Patients

## Cross Section of **Encaptra**<sup>®</sup> Drug Delivery System

