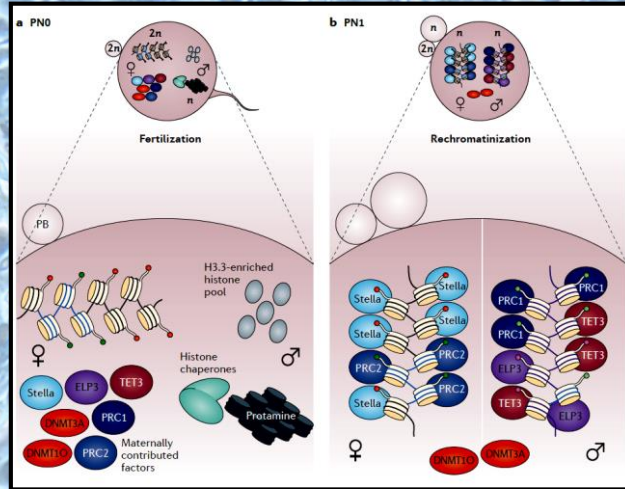


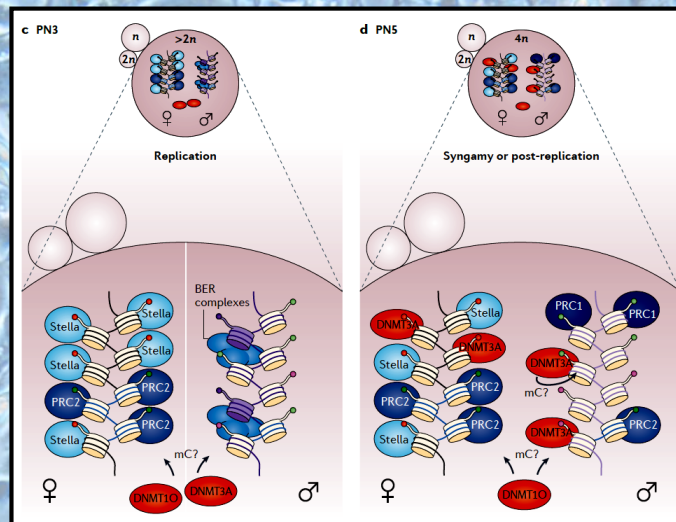
## Global DNA Demethylation in the Zygote



Zachary et al., Nature Rev. Genetics, 2013

ELP3: histone acetyltransferase elongator complex protein 3  
 Tet1/2/3: ten-eleven translocation family of proteins  
 PRC1: polycomb repressive complex 1  
 PRC2 and Stella: epigenetic silencers

## Global DNA Demethylation in the Zygote

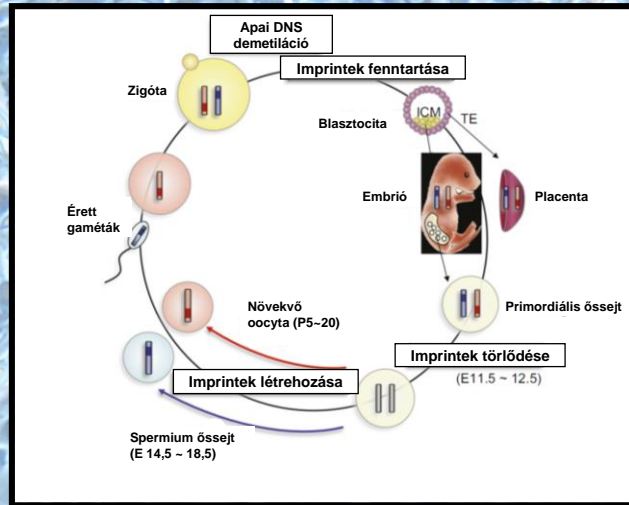


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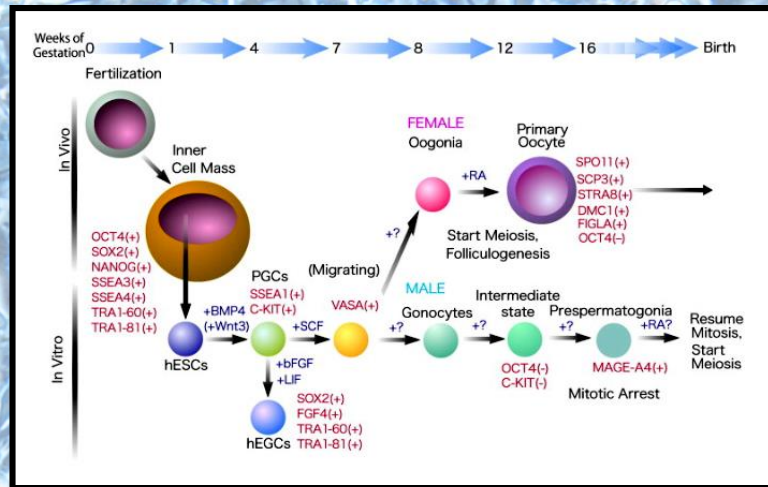
BER: base excision repair



## Dedifferentiation of Progenitor Germ Cells



## Differentiation of EGCs



Hayashi et al., *Nat Cell Biol* and *Stem*, 2012

## What is the „potency of cell“?

Cell potency is a cell's ability to differentiate into other cell types. The more cell types a cell can differentiate into, the greater its potency. Potency is also described as the gene activation potential within a cell.

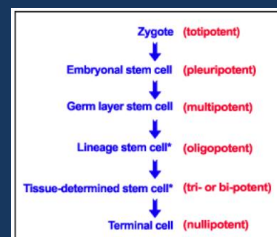


## Potency

The range of commitment options available to a cell

- Totipotent
- Pluripotent
- Multipotent
- Oligopotent
- Unipotent

Potency



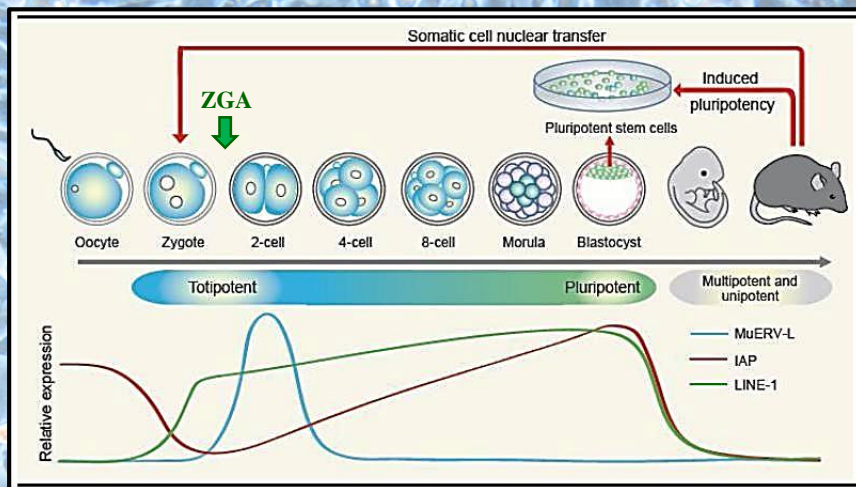
## Totipotency: What it is and what it is not?

Totipotent cells are capable of developing into a complete organism or differentiating into any of its cells or tissues of given organism.

DNA demethylation : active and passive



## From totipotent to pluripotent: ZGA



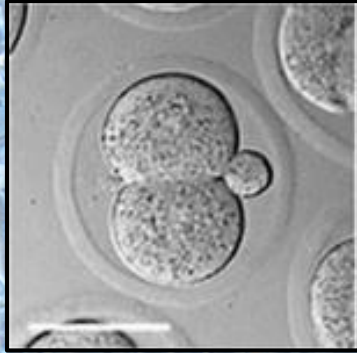
Lu and Zhang, Nat Sci Rev, 2015

**MuERV-L:** murine endogenous retrovirus with leucine tRNA primer

**IAP:** intracisternal A-particle, **LINE-1:** long interspersed nuclear element 1 (transposable elements)



## Loss of totipotency



oct4 (homeobox) expression  
and *high* mobility of oct4



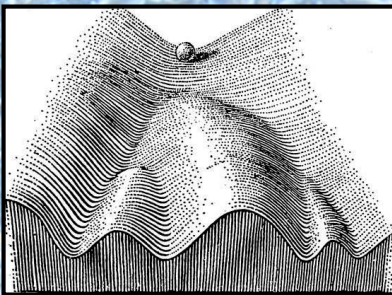
ICM

Cdx2 (homeobox) expression  
and *low* mobility of oct4

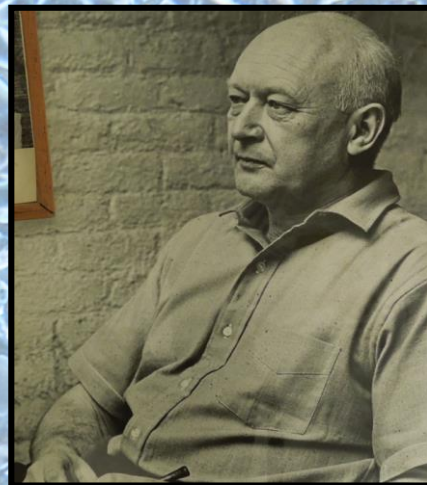


Trophoblast

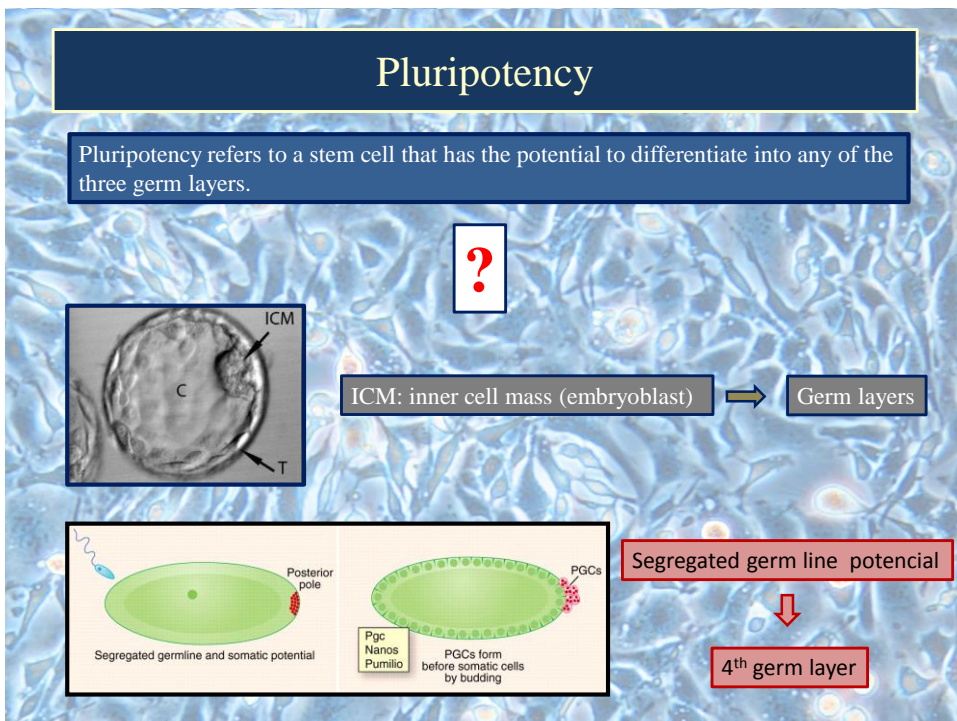
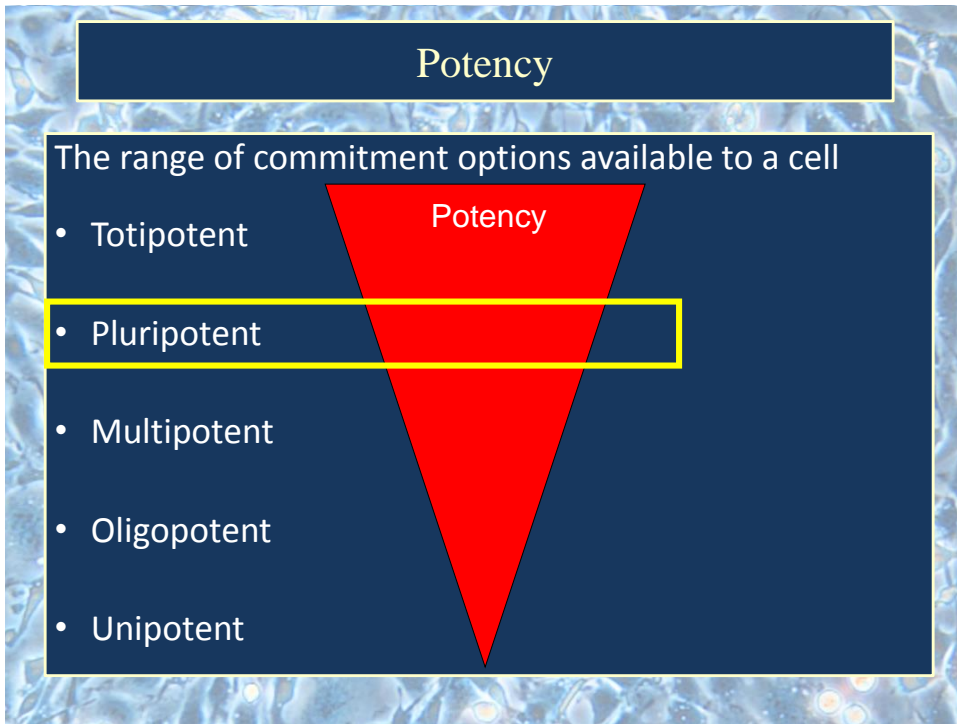
## Epigenetic landscape

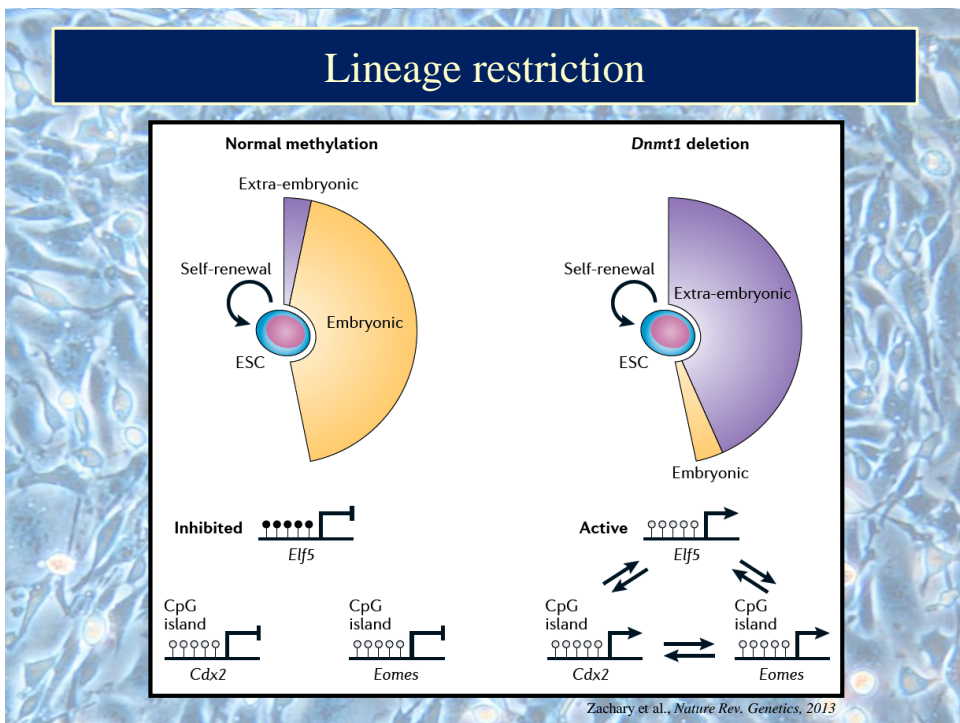
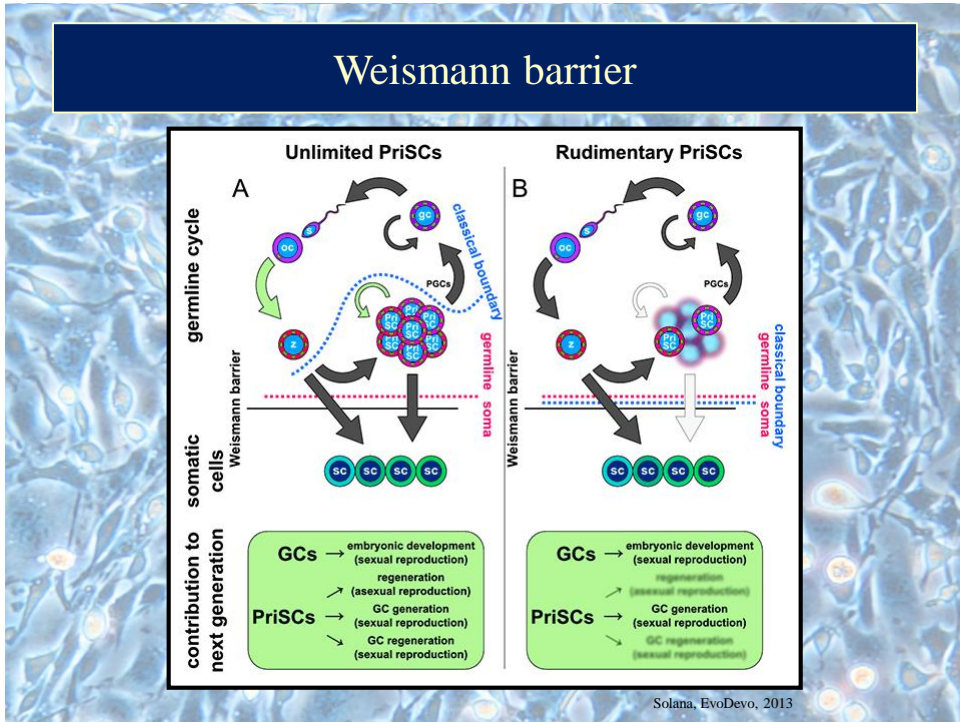


Mutation can modulate  
the epigenetic landscape.



Conrad Hal Waddington (1905–1975)



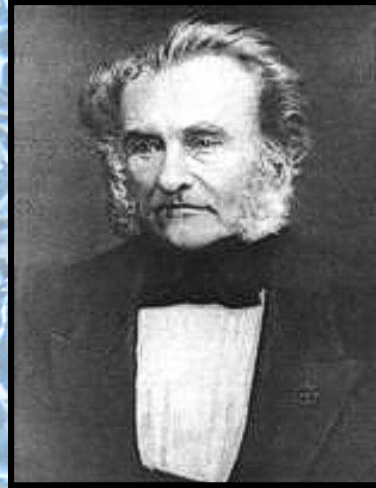




# Germ layers



Caspar Friedrich Wolff (1735 - 1794)

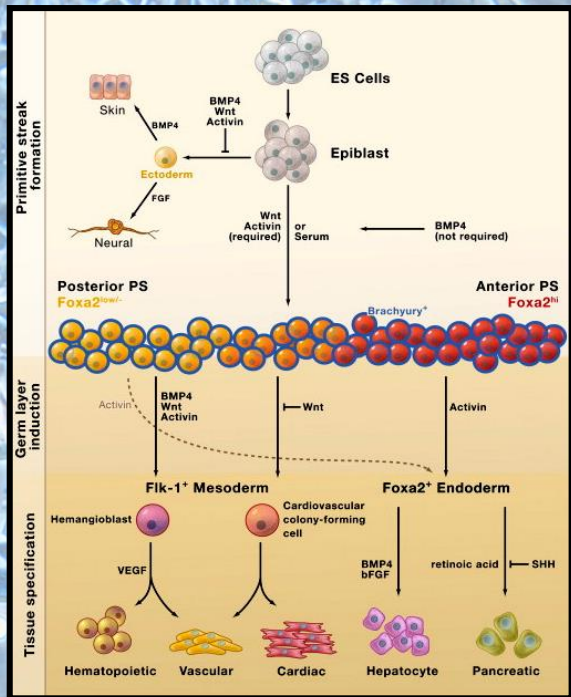


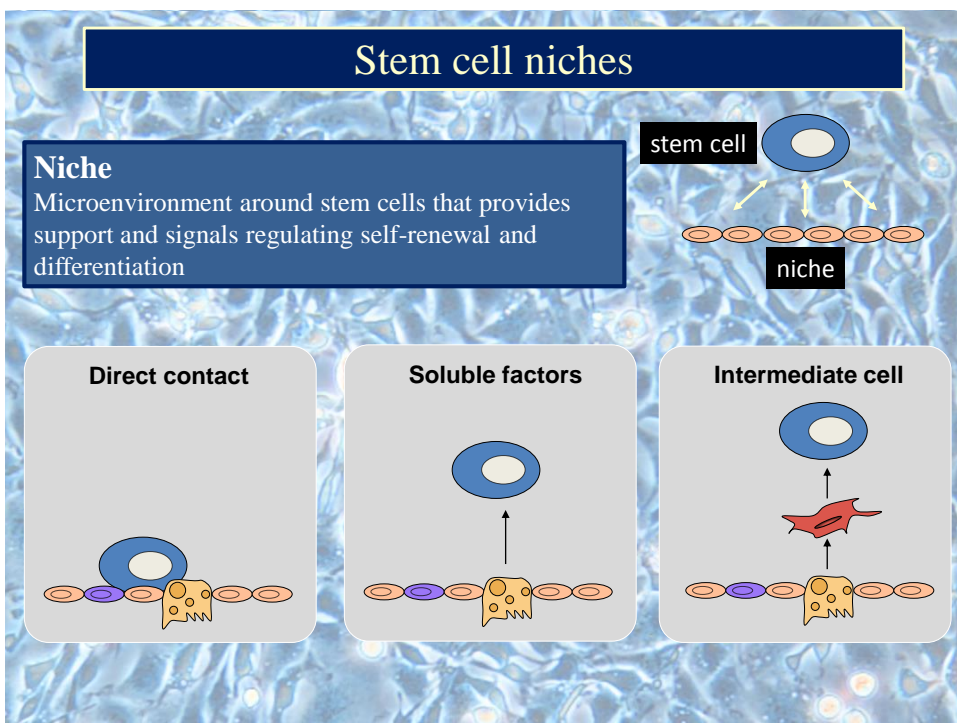
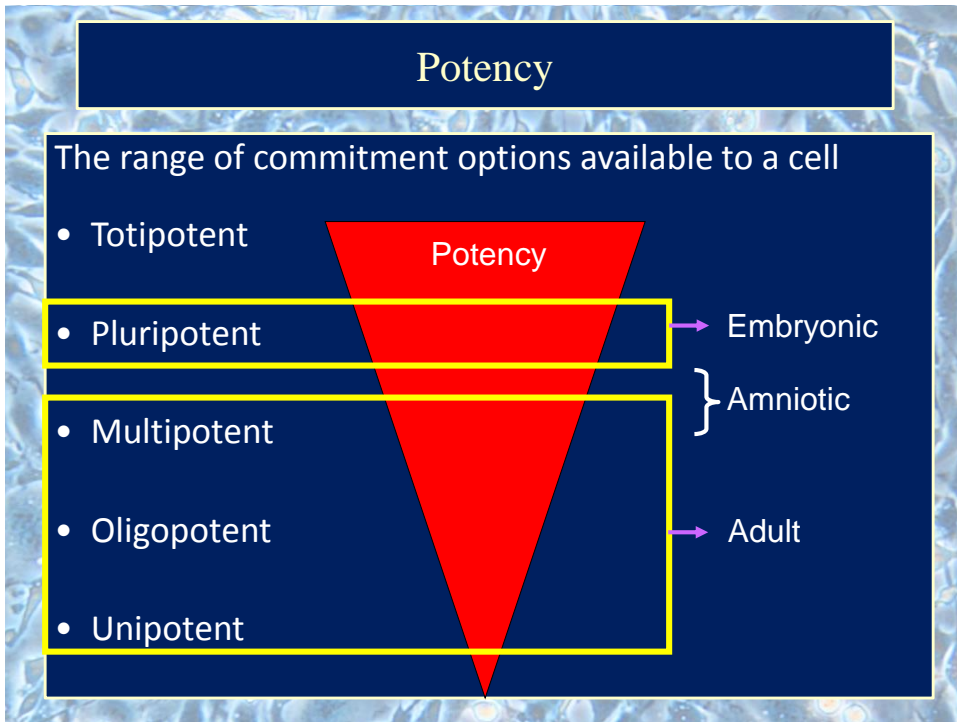
Heintz Christian Pander (1794 - 1865)

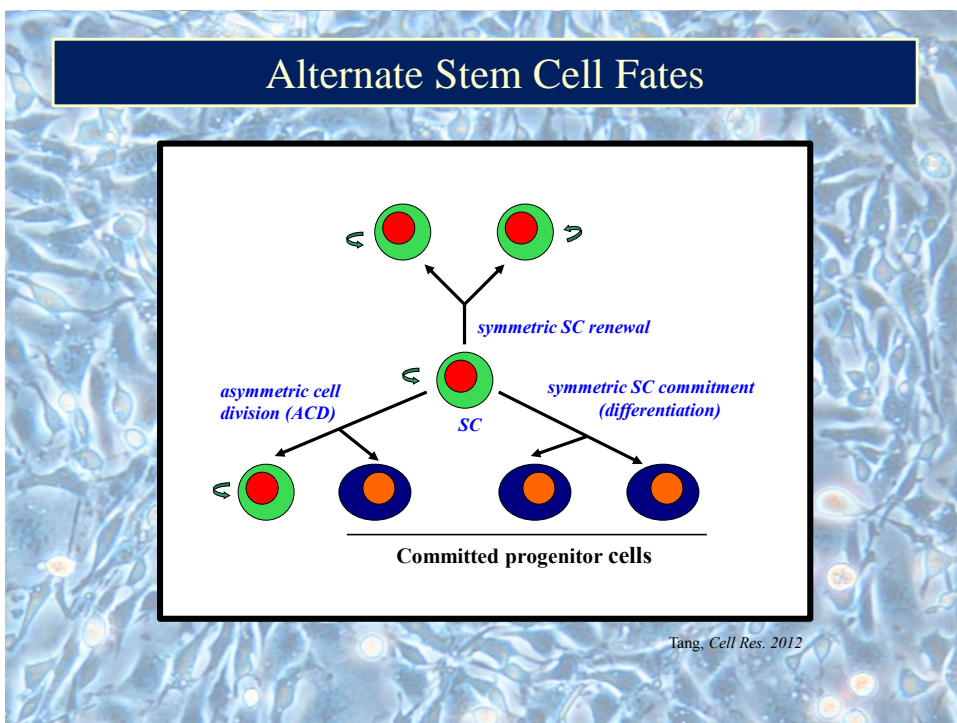
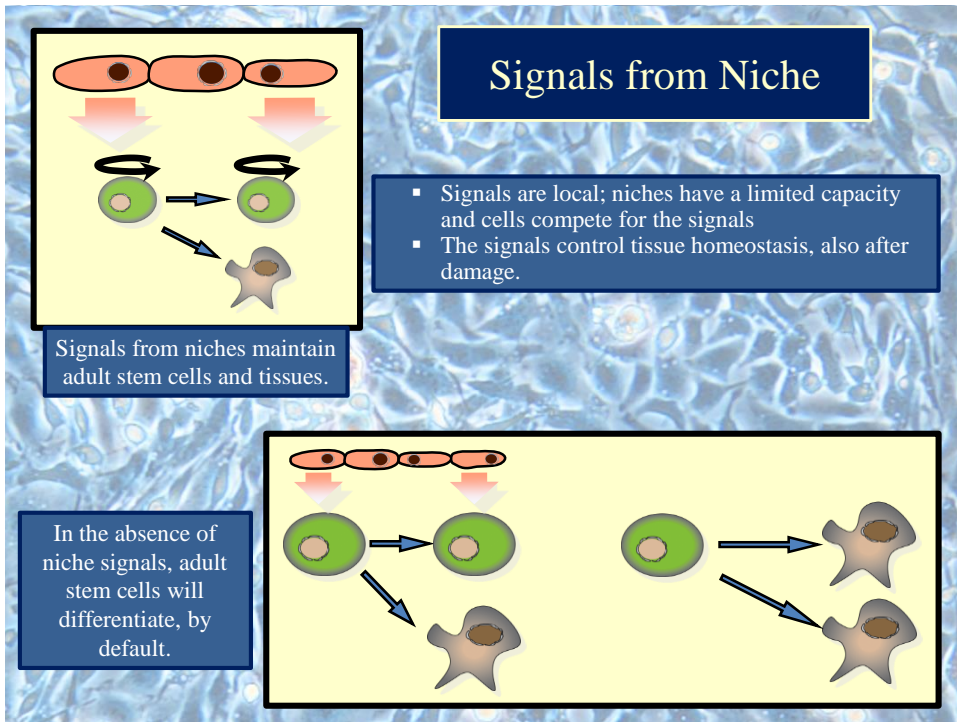
## Germ layer determinants

PS: primitive streak

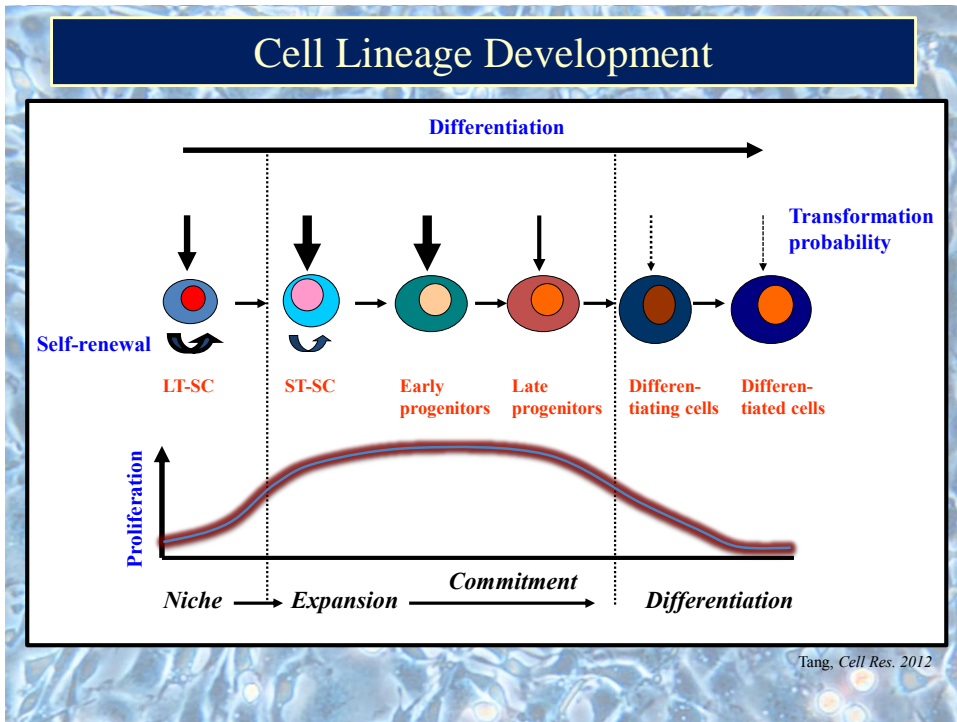
Flk1: Fetal Liver Kinase 1  
 Foxa2: forkhead box protein A  
 VEGF: Vascular endothelial growth factor







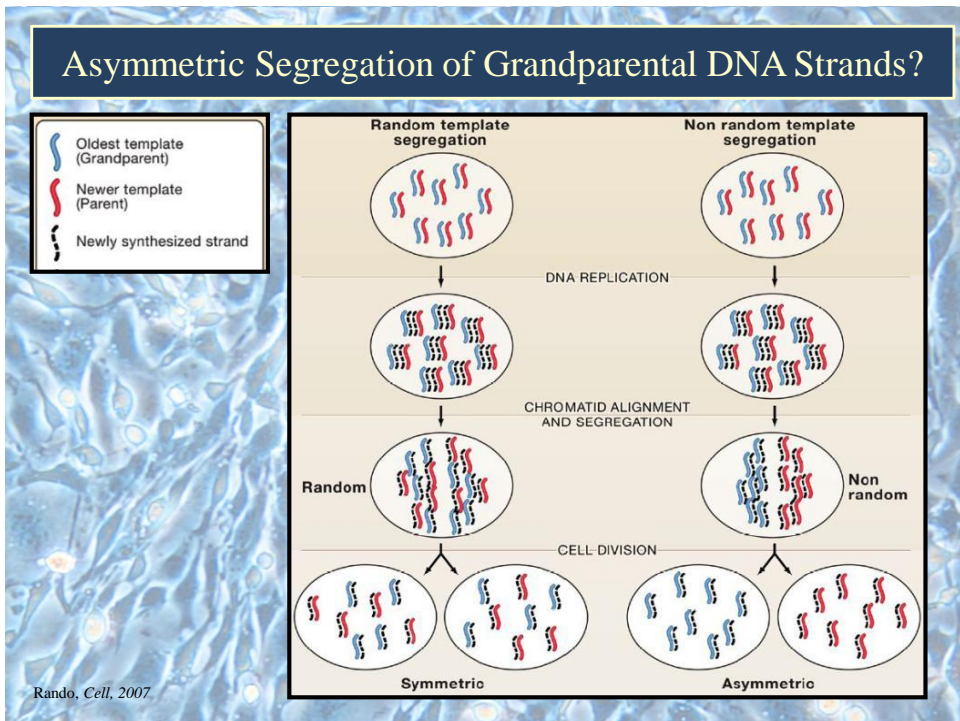
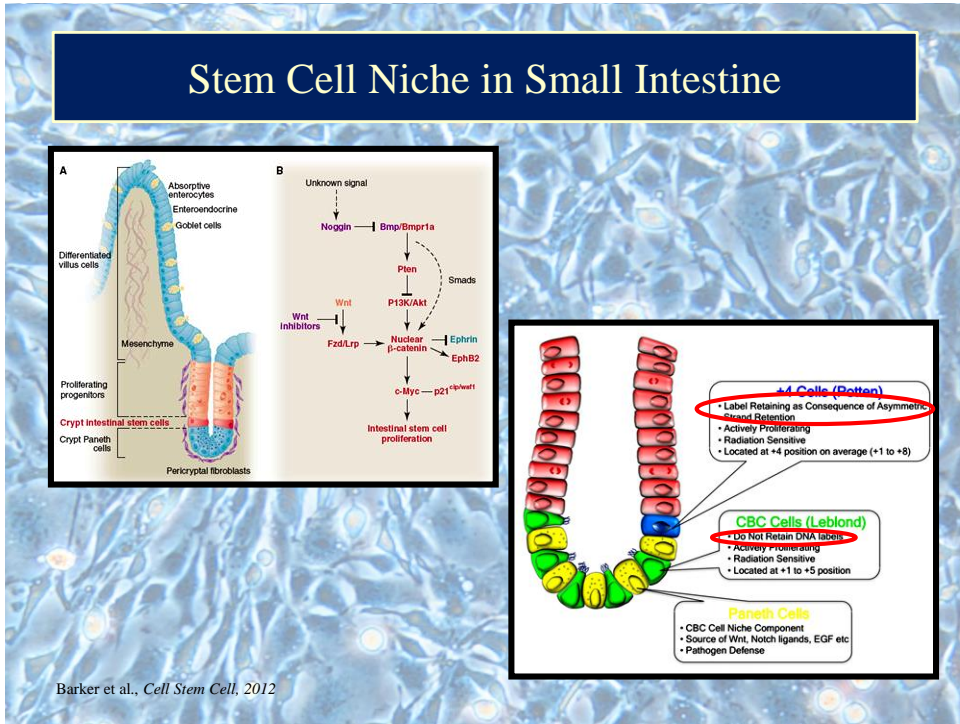




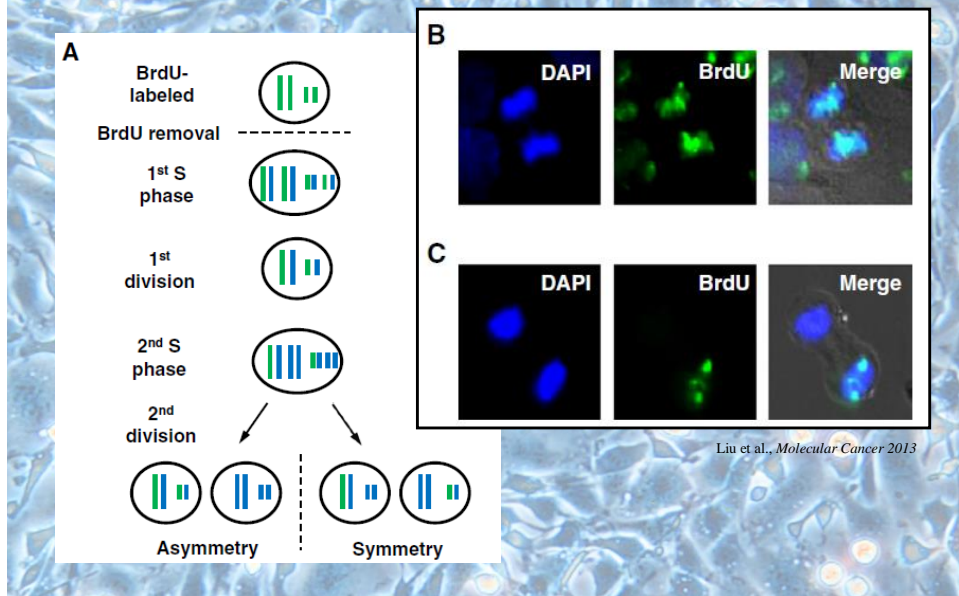
## Motivation for Asymmetric Strand Segregation

- Adult rat contains  $6 \times 10^{10}$  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?

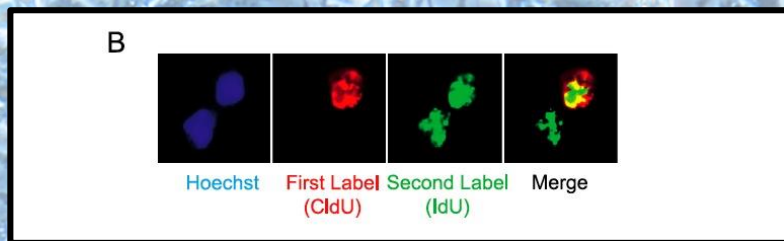
Cebrian, *Nature*, 1975



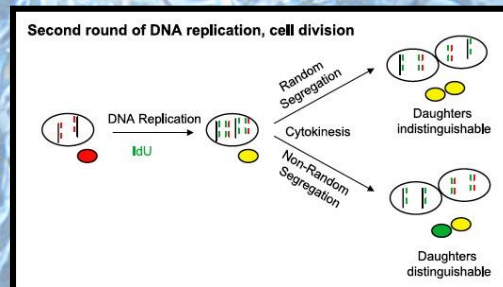
## Asymmetrical segregation of DNA in human breast cancer cells



## Duplicating Muscle Cell Pairs Display Asymmetric DNA Labeling Patterns

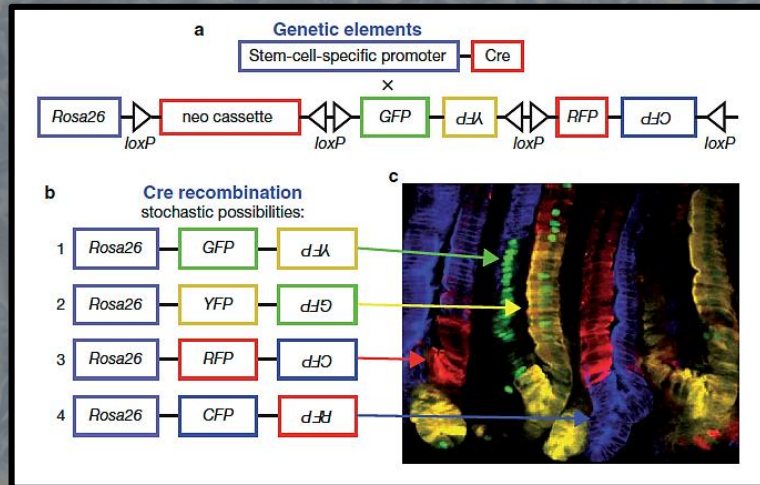


**Figure 2.** Evidence of Co-Segregation of DNA Template Strands during Muscle Progenitor Cell Division  
(B) Cell pairs were immunostained for CldU and IdU. Shown is a representative photograph of an immunostained pair of cells, in which both daughter cells were labeled with the second label, IdU (green),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



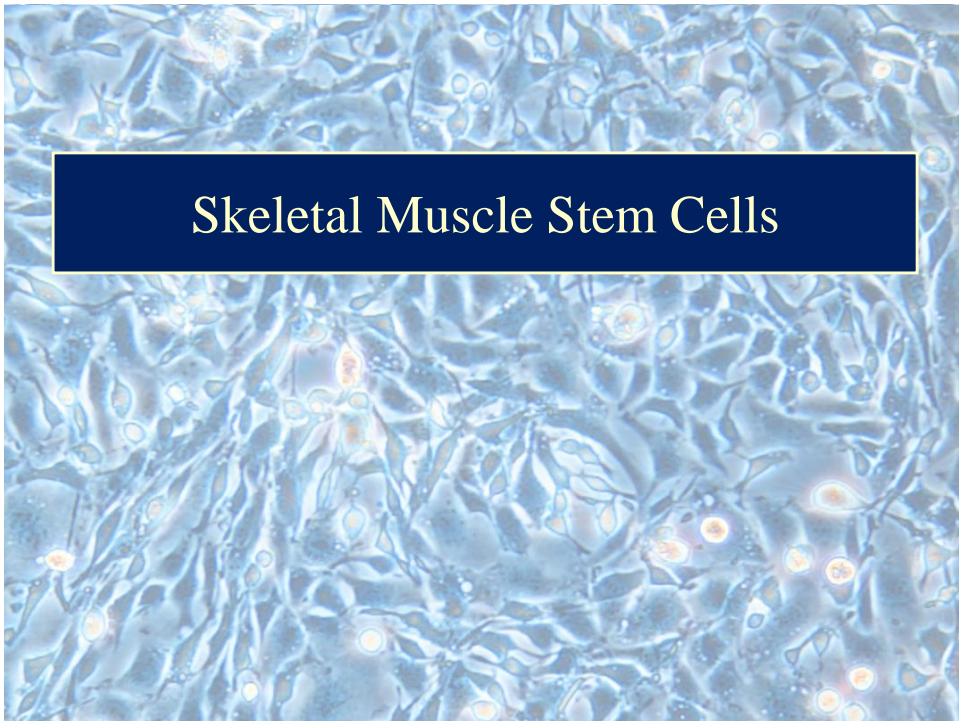


## „Ferretting out stem cells from their niches”

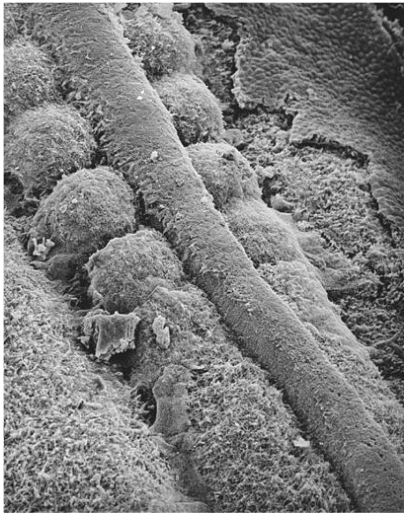
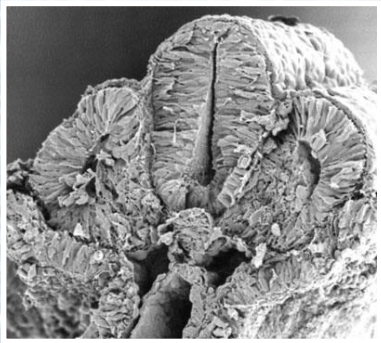


Fuchs and Horsley, *Nature Cell Biol.*, 2011

## Skeletal Muscle Stem Cells









## Somitogenesis

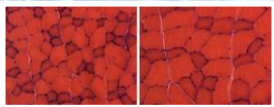
**Pax3 → Pax7 → MyoD**

**PAX3 + PAX7+PAXBP1 → HMT**

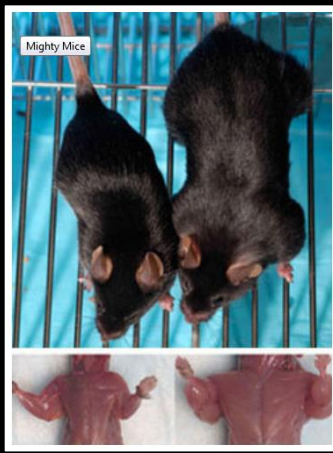
## Steps of myogenesis

E9	E12	E14.5	P0	3 weeks	6 weeks
					
Somitogenesis	Embryonic myogenesis	Foetal myogenesis	Hyperplastic and hypertrophic growth		
<b>Muscle progenitor cells</b>					
Pax7 expression			Pax3 expression		
Require Pax3/7	Not tested		Pax7 dependent		

**Myostatin / ActivinA → Activin receptor 2B pathway**

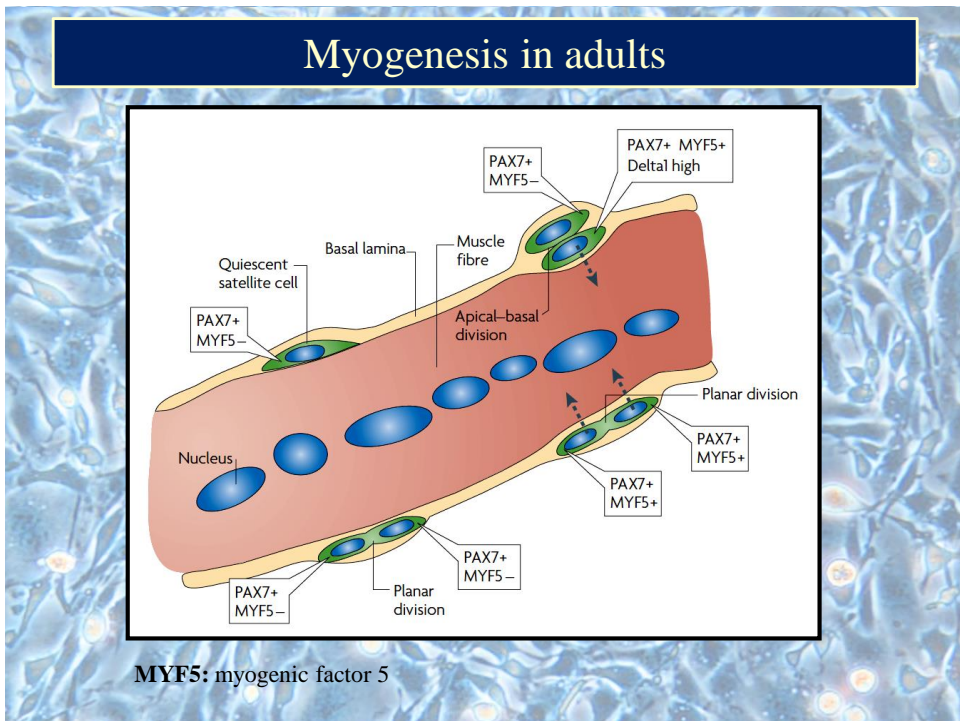
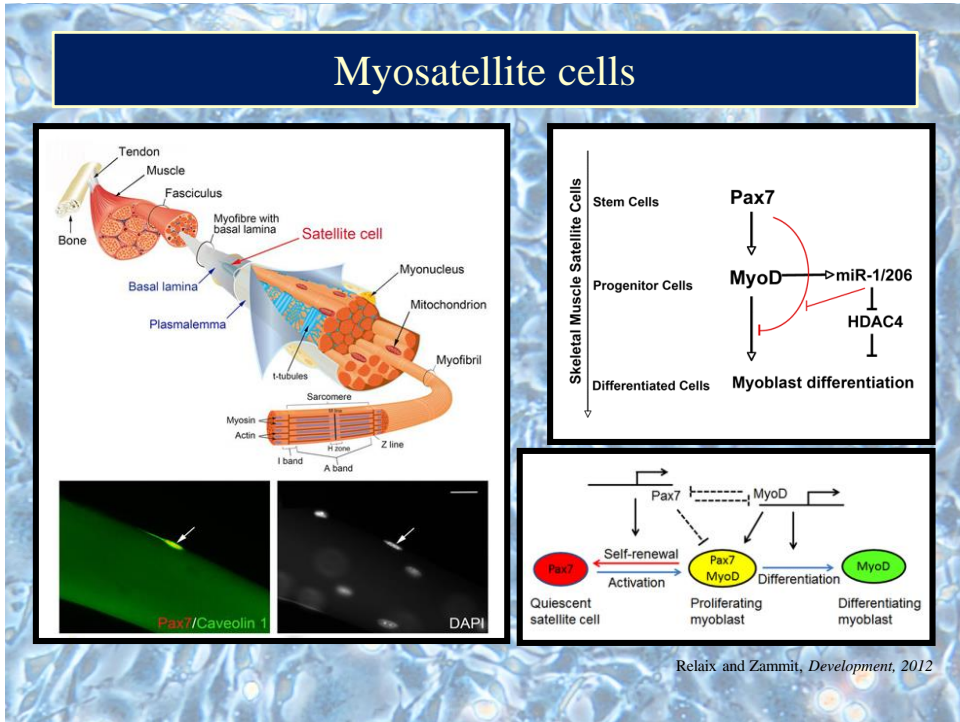


Lee et al., PNAS, 2012



Mighty Mice



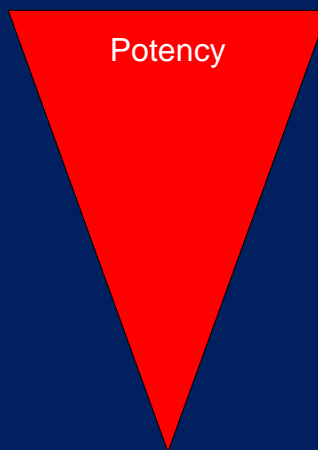




## Stem Cells Reprogramming

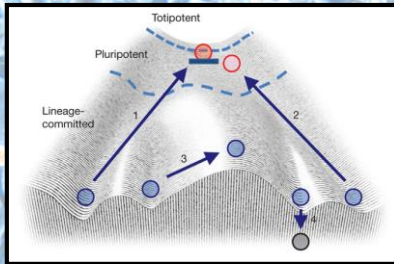
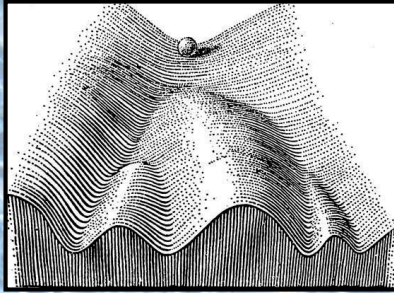
There is no way back?

- Totipotent
- Pluripotent
- Multipotent
- Oligopotent
- Unipotent

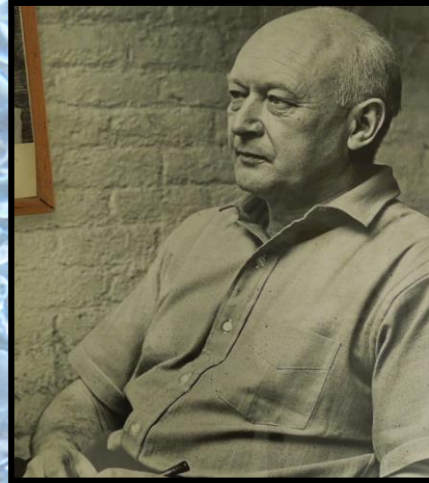


Somatic cell

## Epigenetic landscape

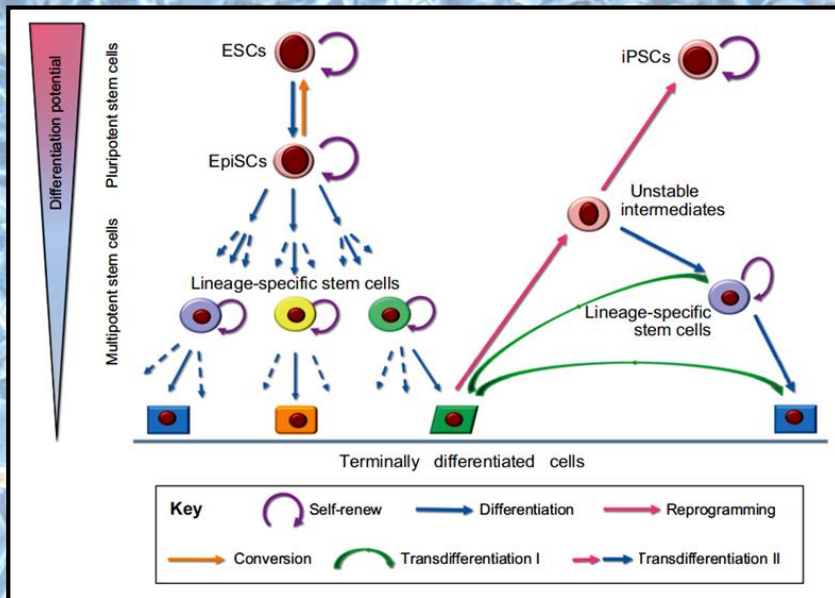


Yamanaka, *Nature*, 2009



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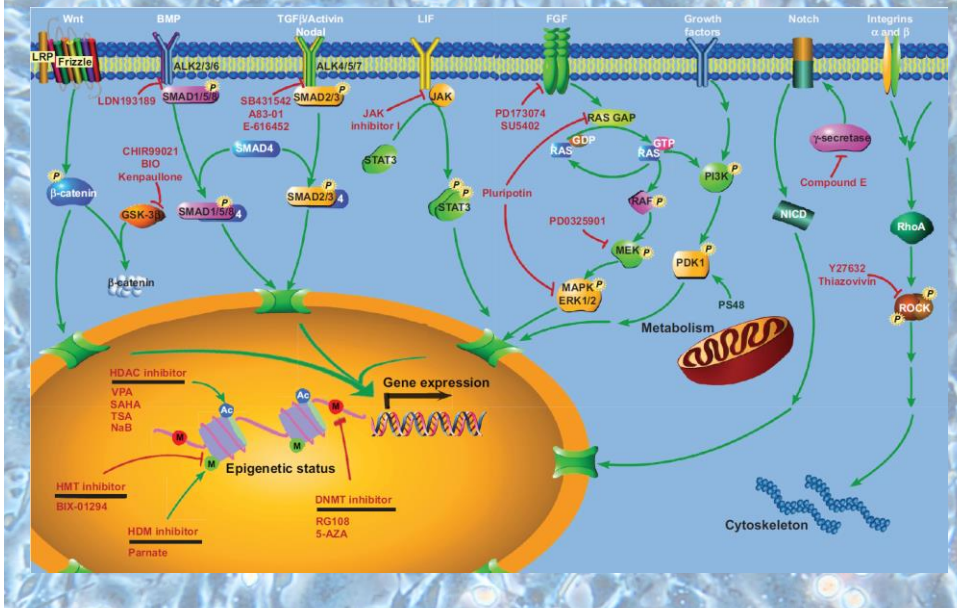
## Change of differentiation potential



Zhang et al., *Cell Sci*, 2012



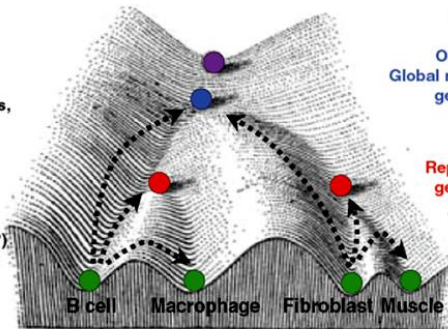
## Manipulation of stem cell fate and reprogramming



## Development and epigenetic (re)programming

### Developmental potential

- Totipotent**  
Zygote
- Pluripotent**  
ICM/ES cells, EG cells,  
EC cells, mGS cells  
iPS cells
- Multipotent**  
Adult stem cells  
(partially reprogrammed cells?)
- Unipotent**  
Differentiated cell types



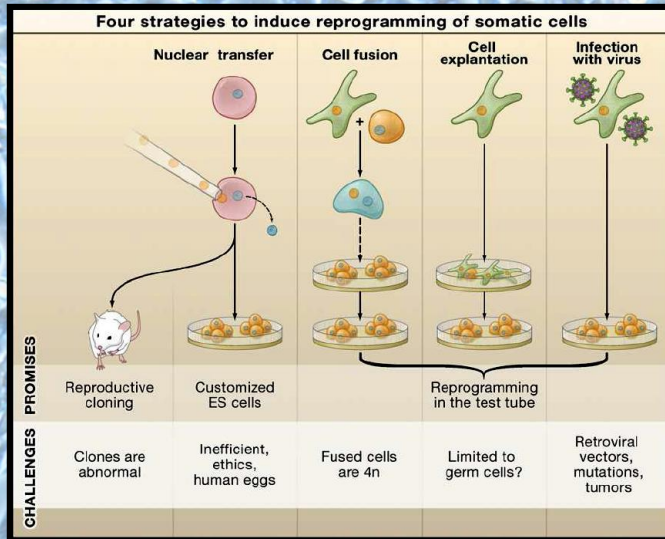
### Epigenetic status

- Global DNA demethylation**
- Only active X chromosomes;**  
**Global repression of differentiation genes by Polycomb proteins;**  
**Promoter hypomethylation**
- X inactivation;**  
**Repression of lineage-specific genes by Polycomb proteins;**  
**Promoter hypermethylation**
- X inactivation;**  
**Derepression of Polycomb silenced lineage genes;**  
**Promoter hypermethylation**

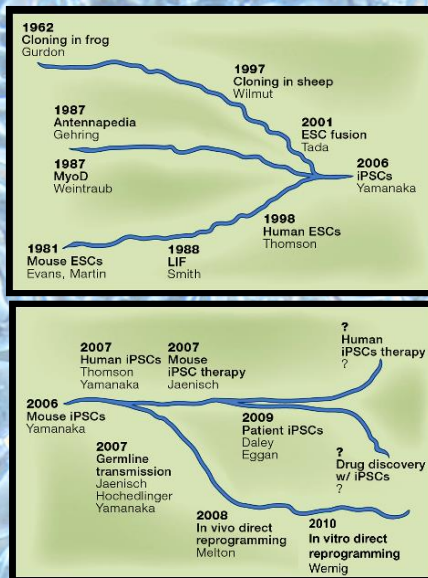
Hochedlinger, *Development*, 2009



## Reprogramming strategies

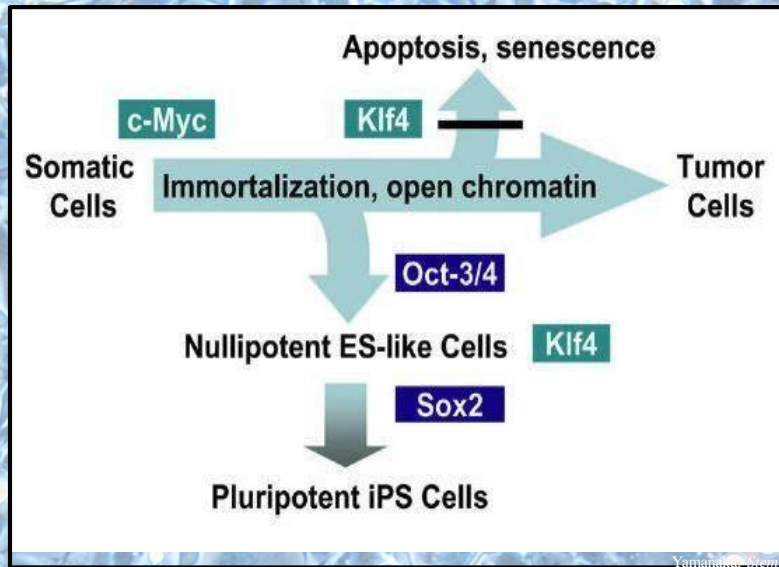


## Induced pluripotent stem cells



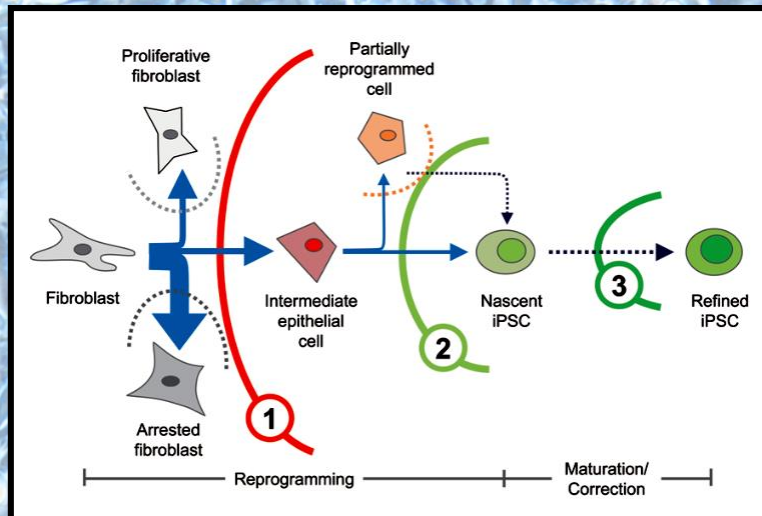
Shinya Yamanaka,  
Nobel Prize: 2012

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



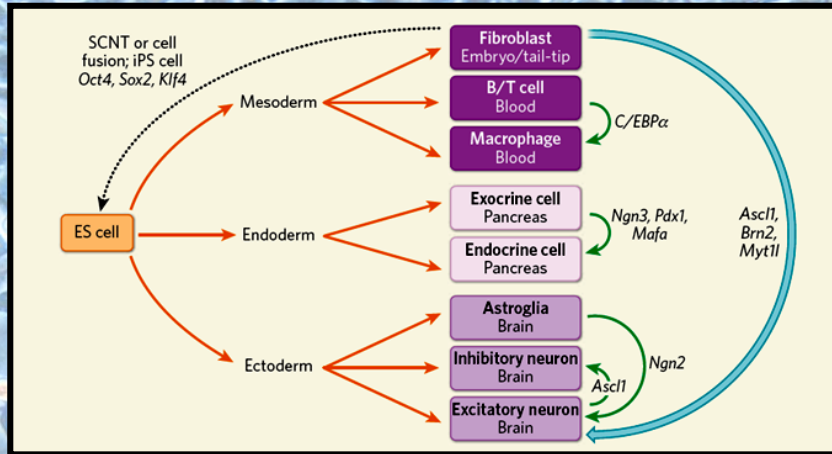
Yamanaka, *Stem Cell*, 2007

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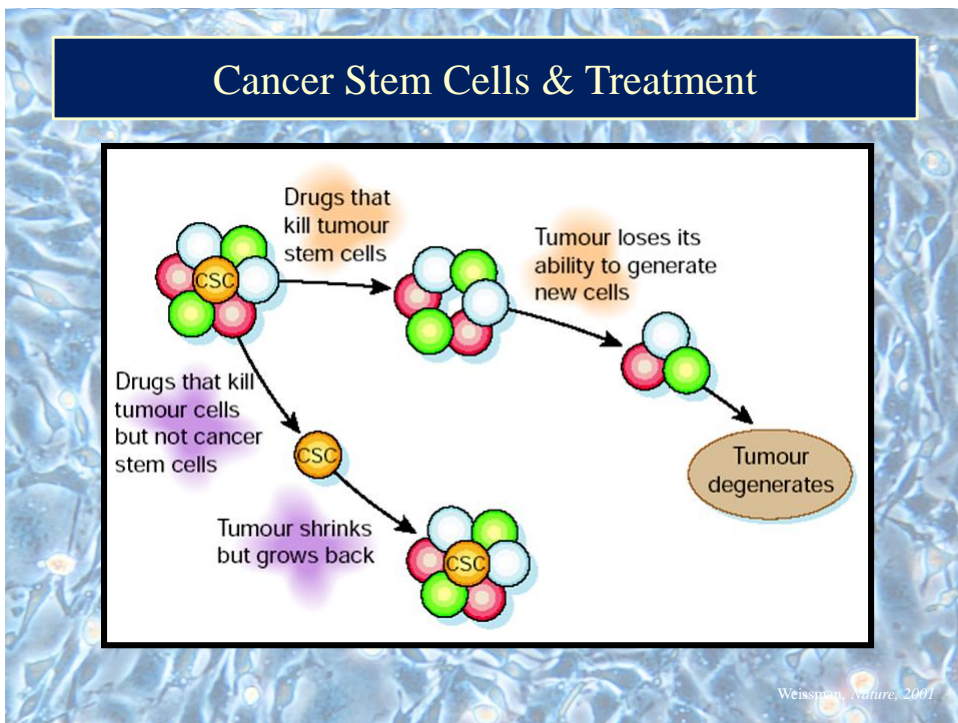
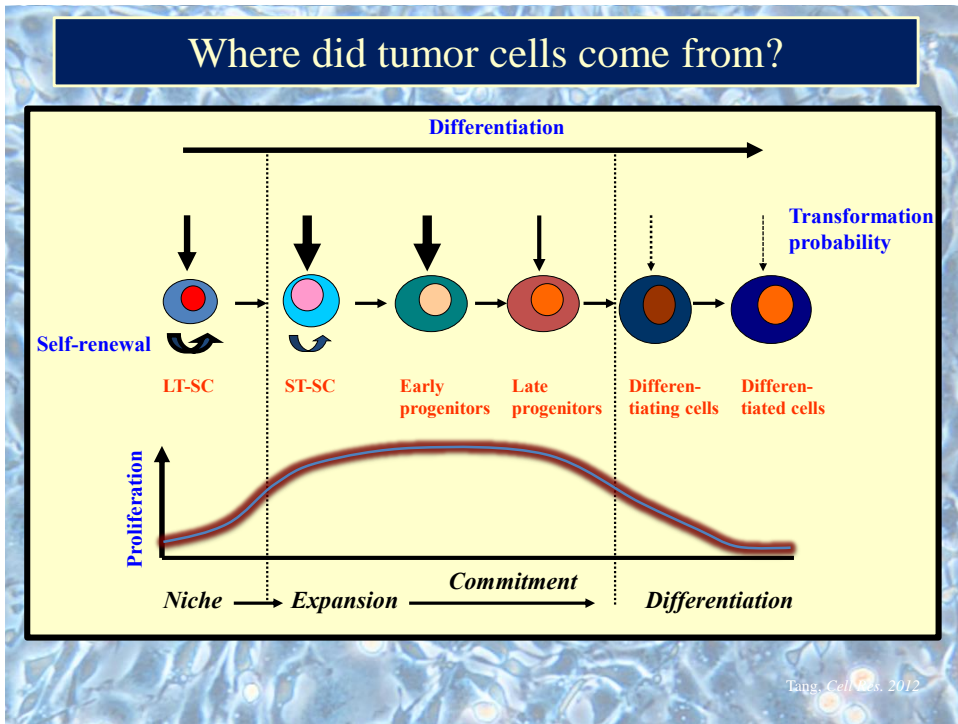
Liang and Zhang, *Nature Cell Res*, 2013

## Direct Reprogramming and Lineage Conversion of Cells

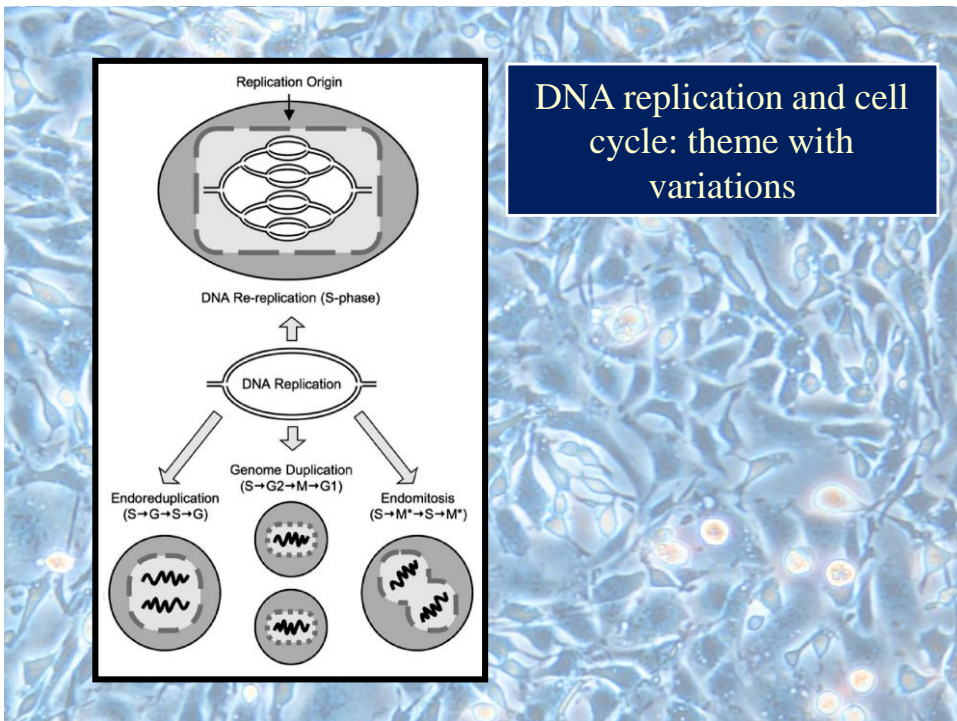


## Cancer Stem Cells





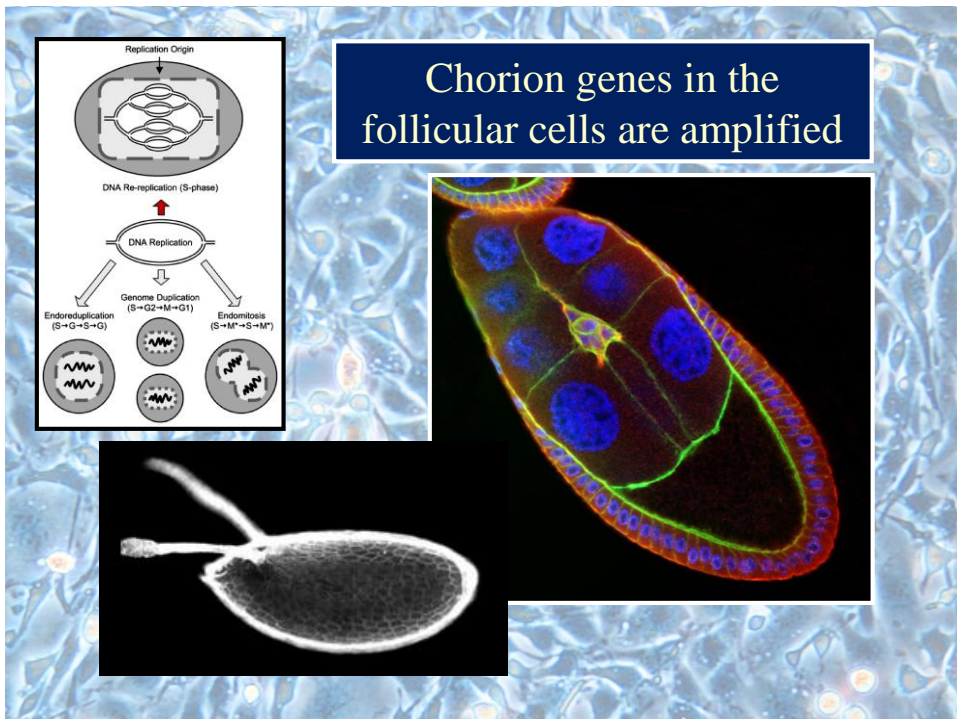
## Potency and cell divisions



DNA replication and cell cycle: theme with variations

## Re-replication

- DNA re-replication occurs when one or more of the normal controls that prevent reutilization of replication origins during S-phase is circumvented.
- Re-replicated DNA sequences: amplicons
- They are in: MA of Tetrahymena  
rRNAs in frog oocyte  
SG of Sciarid flies  
chorion genes on X in Drosophila  
Tumor cells





Replication Origin

DNA Re-replication (S-phase)

DNA Replication

Endoreduplication (S-G-S-G)

Genome Duplication (S-G2-M-G1)

Endomitosis (S-M'-S-M')

## Re-replication of chorion genes

Despite of the follicular cells are Endoreduplicated, they amplify some of their chorion genes.

Minors: diploids, majors: amplified  
 Minor: 15 hours long expression,  
 Major: 2-3 hours long expression.

**Figure 6.** Detection of gene amplification in follicle cell nuclei (blue) using BrdU (red). Inset: a single nucleus showing that BrdU labeling occurs at only a few amplifying genomic sites

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## Regulation of amplification of the chorion genes

ACE3:  
 Amplification Central Elements on 3rd

7F ~16-fold

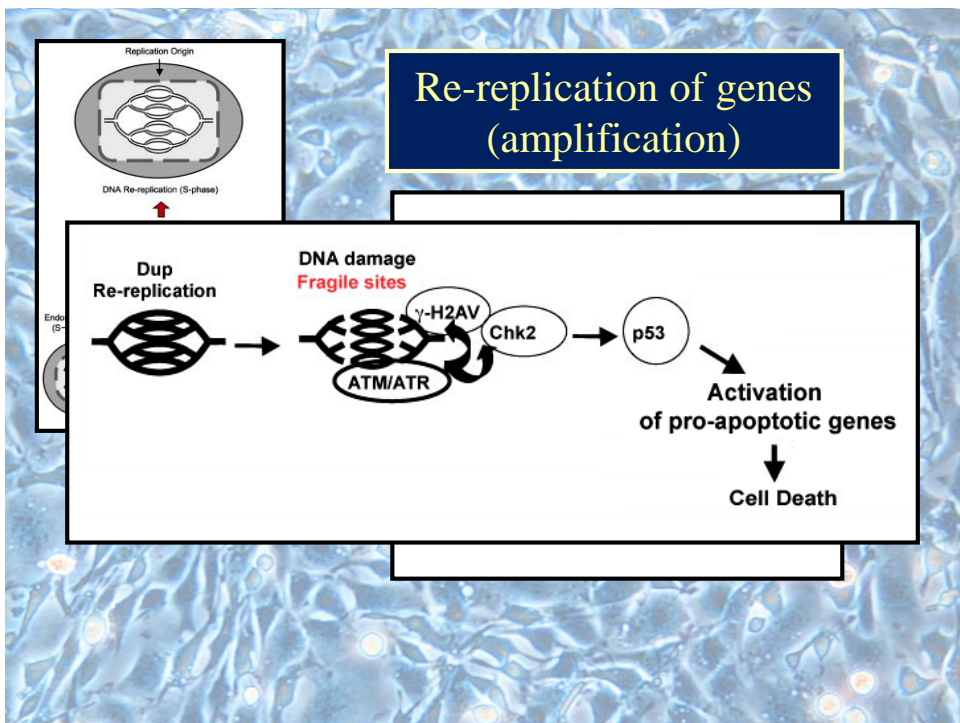
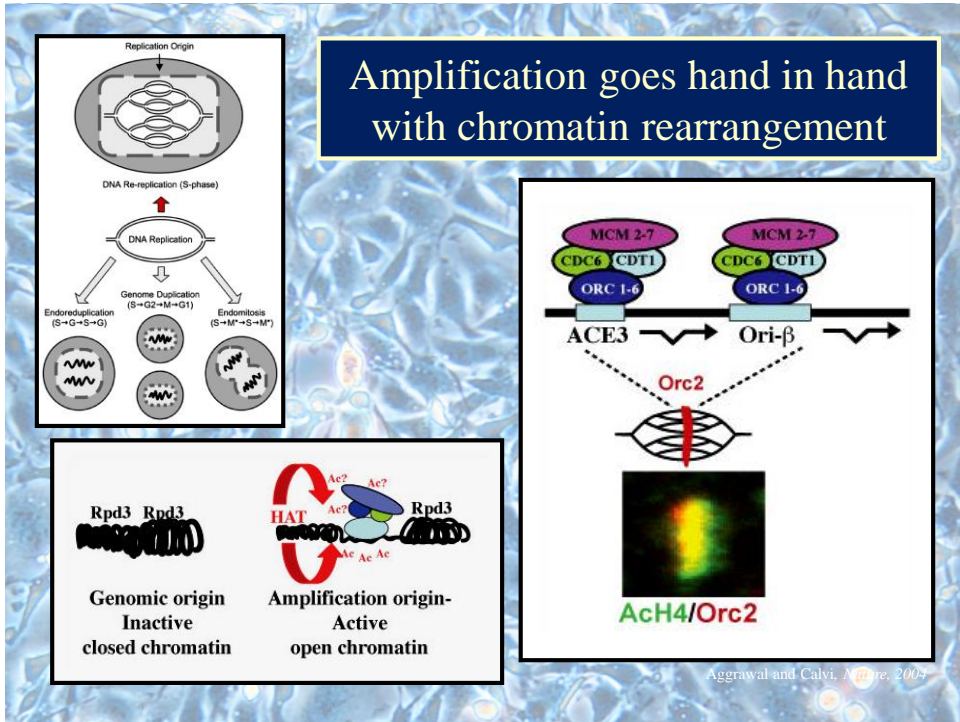
X

66D ~64-fold

3rd

ACE3 Ori-β

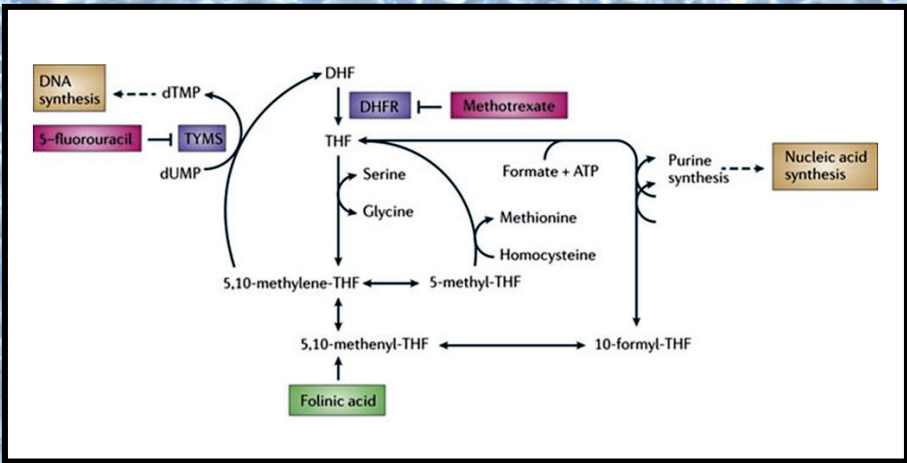
3rd chromosome origin





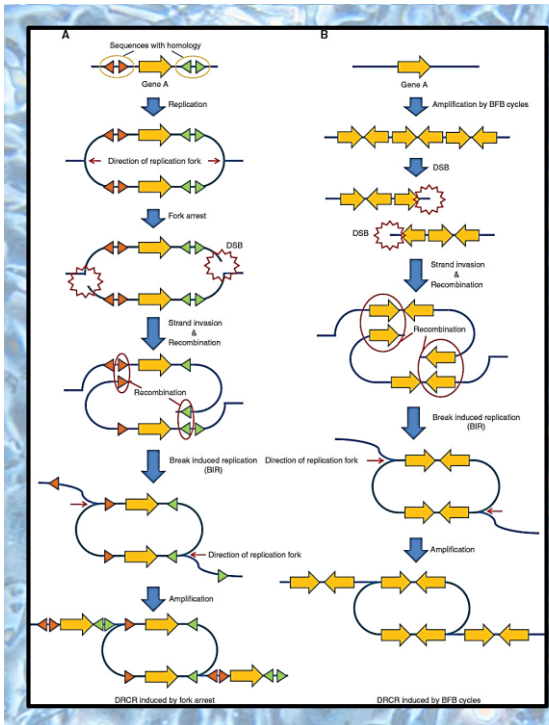


# DHFR amplification in drug-resistant cancer cells



Heiden, *Nat. Rev. Drug Discovery*, 2011

TYM: thymidylate synthase, DHF: dihydrofolate, THF: tetrahydrofolate

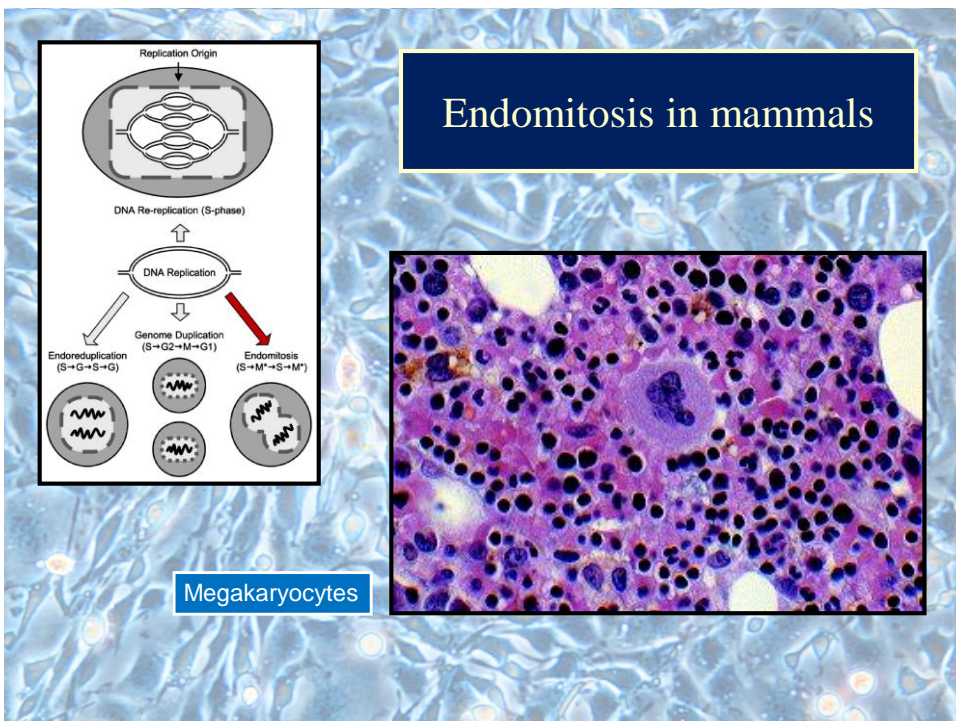


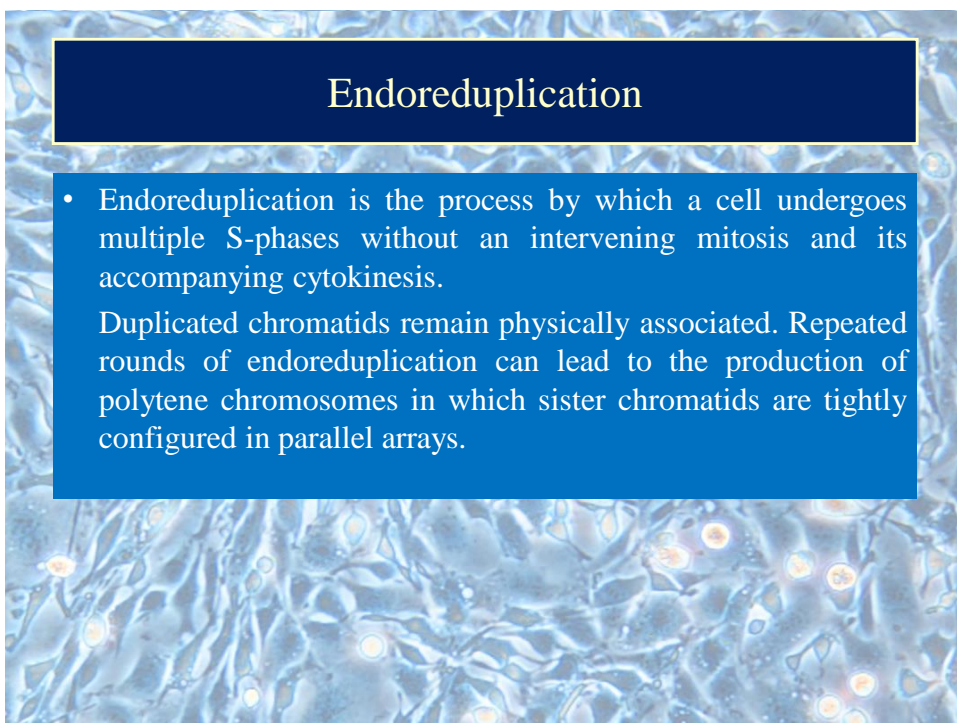
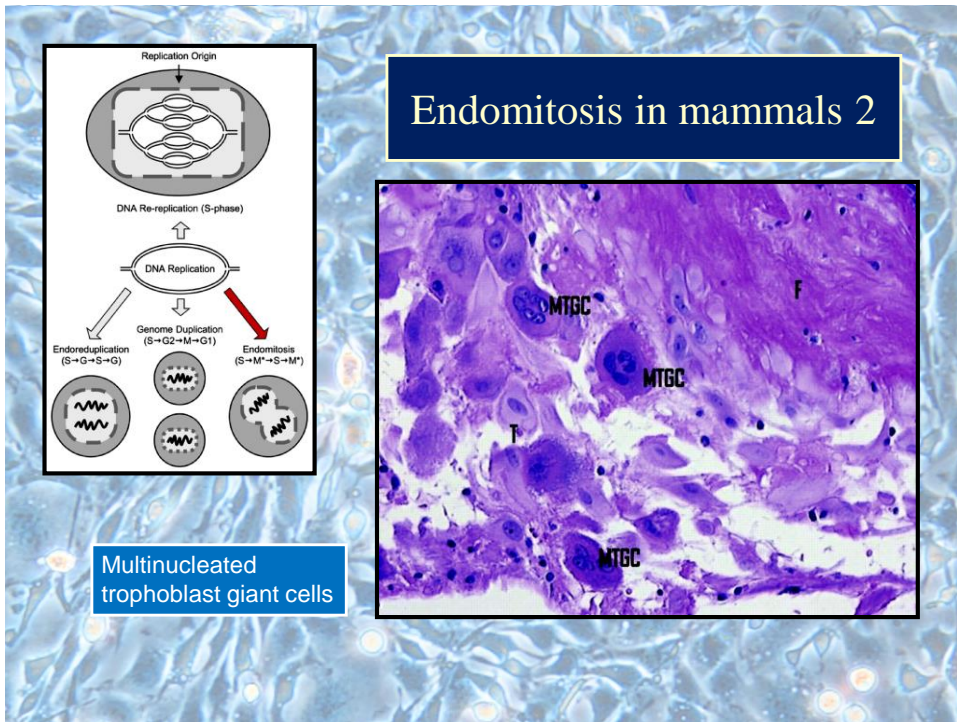
Watanabe et al. *Nucl Acid Res.*, 2011

# Double rolling circle replication

## Endomitosis

- Endomitosis is a process in which successive S-phases are interrupted by a gap, during which the cells enter mitosis but do not complete anaphase and do not undergo cytokinesis. Duplicated chromosomes produced by endomitosis exist as discrete units in a single polyploid nucleus or may be packaged into separate nuclei, depending on the phase at which mitosis is aborted.







Replication Origin

DNA Re-replication (S-phase)

DNA Replication

Endoreduplication (S→G→S→G)

Genome Duplication (S→G2→M→G1)

Endomitosis (S→M'→S→M')

## Endoreduplication in the ovary of *Drosophila*

Follicular cells *and* nurse cells  
in developing follicles

## Polytene chromosome

X-chromosome

Right arm of chromosome 2

Asynapsis

Left arm of chromosome 2

Chromocentre

Right arm of chromosome 3

Left arm of chromosome 3

Genetic map

Gene

Polytene chromosome

Band designation

Deletions

SA5 1 1

SA6 8 8

SA7 8 8

SA8 8 8

SA9 8 8

SA10 8 8

SA11 8 8

SA12 8 8

SA13 8 8

SA14 8 8

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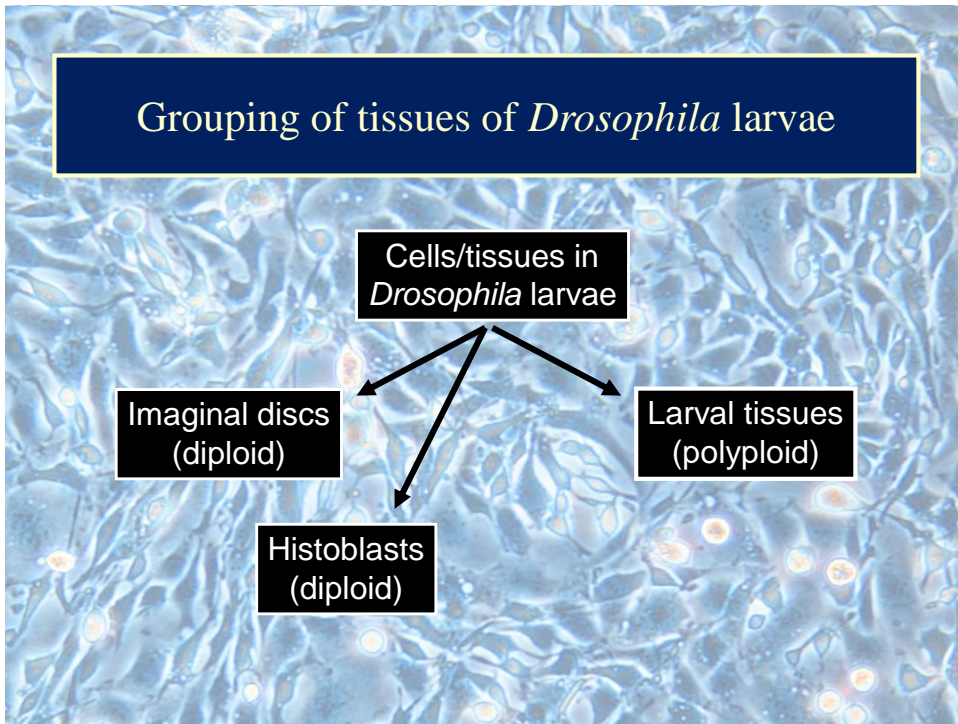
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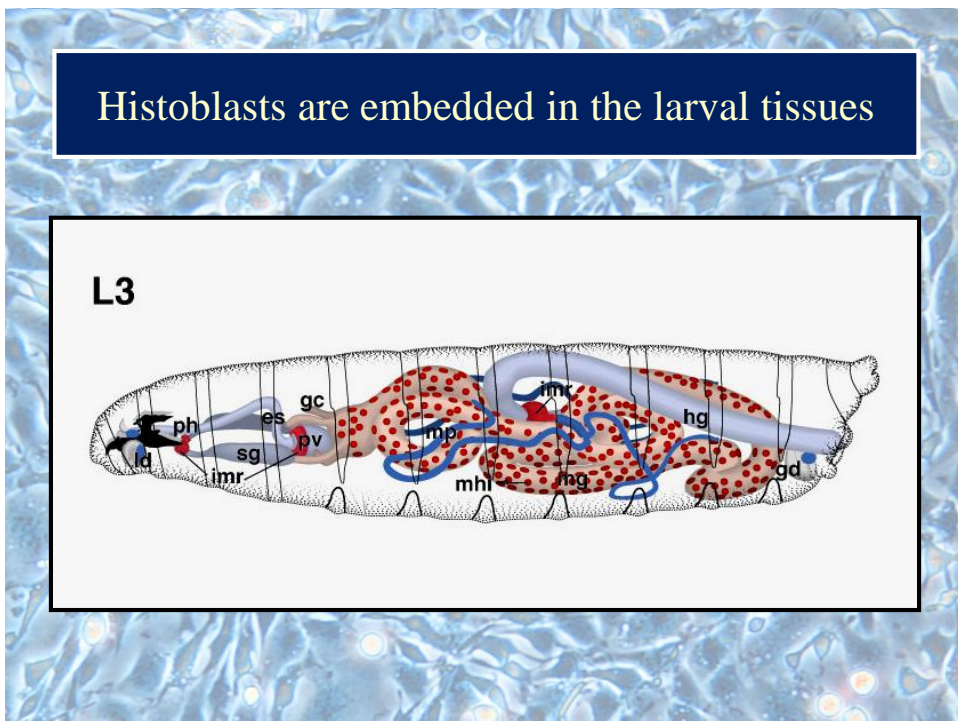
Balbani rings (1881)

Calvin Bridges, 1935

## Grouping of tissues of *Drosophila* larvae






## Histoblasts are embedded in the larval tissues





## Various cell cycles are in the same organism

Embryo	Larval Instars			Pupa	Adult
	1st	2nd	3rd		
Syncytial Divisions	Larval Tissues Endo Cycles/Cell Growth			Imaginal Discs and Abdominal Histoblasts	Gonads
Postblastoderm Divisions	CNS/Imaginal Discs Archetypal Mitotic Cycles			Division and Differentiation	Mitosis (Stem Cells)
<u>Differentiating Larval Tissues</u> Endo Cycles	Abdominal Histoblasts G2 Arrest				Meiosis
<u>Nervous System</u> Mitotic Divisions					Endo Cycles (Ovary)

*The End*