



# PGC Worldwide Lab Call Details

**DATE:** Friday, September 13, 2013

**PRESENTERS:**

- **Dr. Andrew Brooks**, Chief Operating Officer, Rutgers University Cell and DNA Repository (RUCDR), Director, Bionomics Research and Technology Center (BRTC),
- **Dr. Michael Sheldon**, RUCDR Director, Stem Cell Laboratory
- **Dr. Jennifer Moore**, RUCDR Associate Director, Stem Cell Laboratory

**TITLE: Dr. Brooks:** *"RUCDR Infinite Biologics: A Resource for the Investigation of Neuropsychiatric Disorders"*

**Drs. Sheldon and Moore:** , *"The RUCDR Stem Cell Lab: A Resource for the Investigation of Neuropsychiatric Disorders"*

**START:** We will begin promptly on the hour.

1000 EDT - US East Coast

0700 PDT - US West Coast

1500 BST - UK

1600 CET - Central Europe

0000 AEDT – Australia (Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013)

**DURATION:** 1 hour

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# UPCOMING PGC Worldwide Lab

**DATE:** Friday, October 11, 2013

**PRESENTERS:**

- **Prof. Barbara Franke**, PhD; Professor of Molecular Psychiatry, Radboud University Medical Centre in Nijmegen, The Netherlands; Co-Founder, ENIGMA Consortium
- **Dr. Paul Thompson** ; Associate Dean for Research, University of Southern California ; Professor of Neurology & Psychiatry, Imaging Genetics Center / LONI, UCLA School of Medicine; Co-Founder, ENIGMA Consortium

**TITLE:** *“The ENIGMA Consortium – Exploring the Genetic Architecture of Human Brain Structure”*

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# RUCDR Infinite Biologics

## A Resource for the Investigation of Neuropsychiatric Disorders

Dr. Andrew Brooks  
Chief Operating Officer, RUCDR



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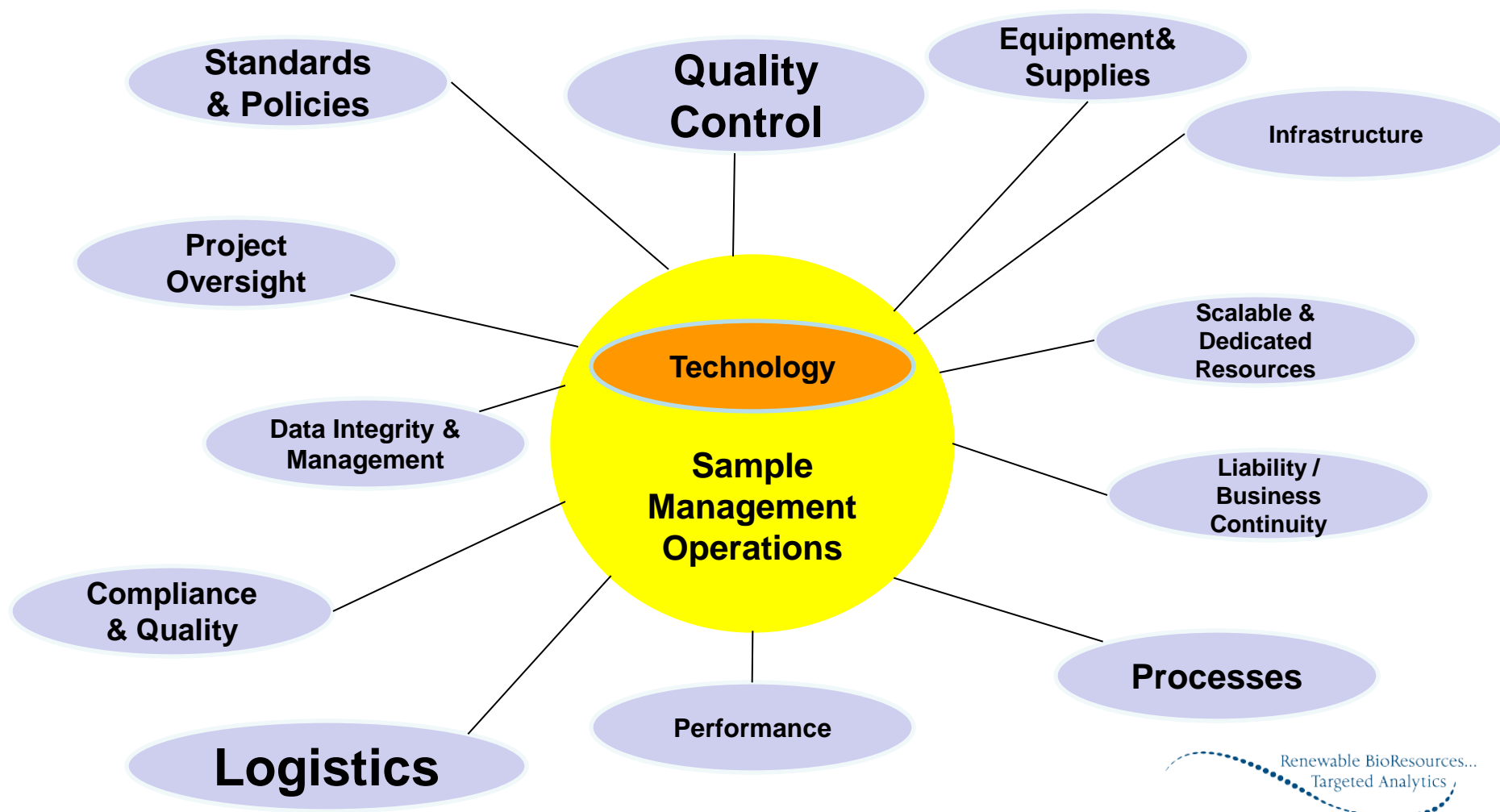
# Mission

RUCDR Infinite Biologics enables sharing programs (DNA, RNA, cell lines, tissue and clinical data) for NIH Institutes, research advocacy groups & biotechnology corporations

- Speeding discovery of genes for complex diseases by sharing well annotated, high quality human samples
- >\$30M annual grant & contract support
  - >120 Technical Staff
  - 50,000 sq. ft. laboratory and storage space
  - 9M nucleic acid samples & 6.5M cell lines
  - Distribute ~ 1M samples for genomic/genetic analyses



# Repository Management Operations: Enterprise Level Integration



# Research Supported Worldwide



*The New England Centenarian Study*

# 5 Major Program Functions

- Sample acquisition
- Processing
- Storage
- Distribution
- Analysis





# Functional Essentials: Maximizing Biological Resources

- **Maximal use of primary samples**
  - Undefined application for downstream analyses
- **Efficient processing**
  - Maximizing extraction technologies to improve yield and quality
- **Appropriate storage**
  - Defining storage formats and temperatures to maximize storage infrastructure
- **Nucleic acid amplification / Cell line establishment**
  - Creating renewable resources to preserve primary sample and/or precious collections
- **Appropriate distribution guidelines**
  - Define needs for specific downstream applications to preserve sample resources



# The RUCDR Stem Cell Laboratory

## A Resource for the Investigation of Neuropsychiatric Disorders

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Associate Professor of Genetics

Rutgers University

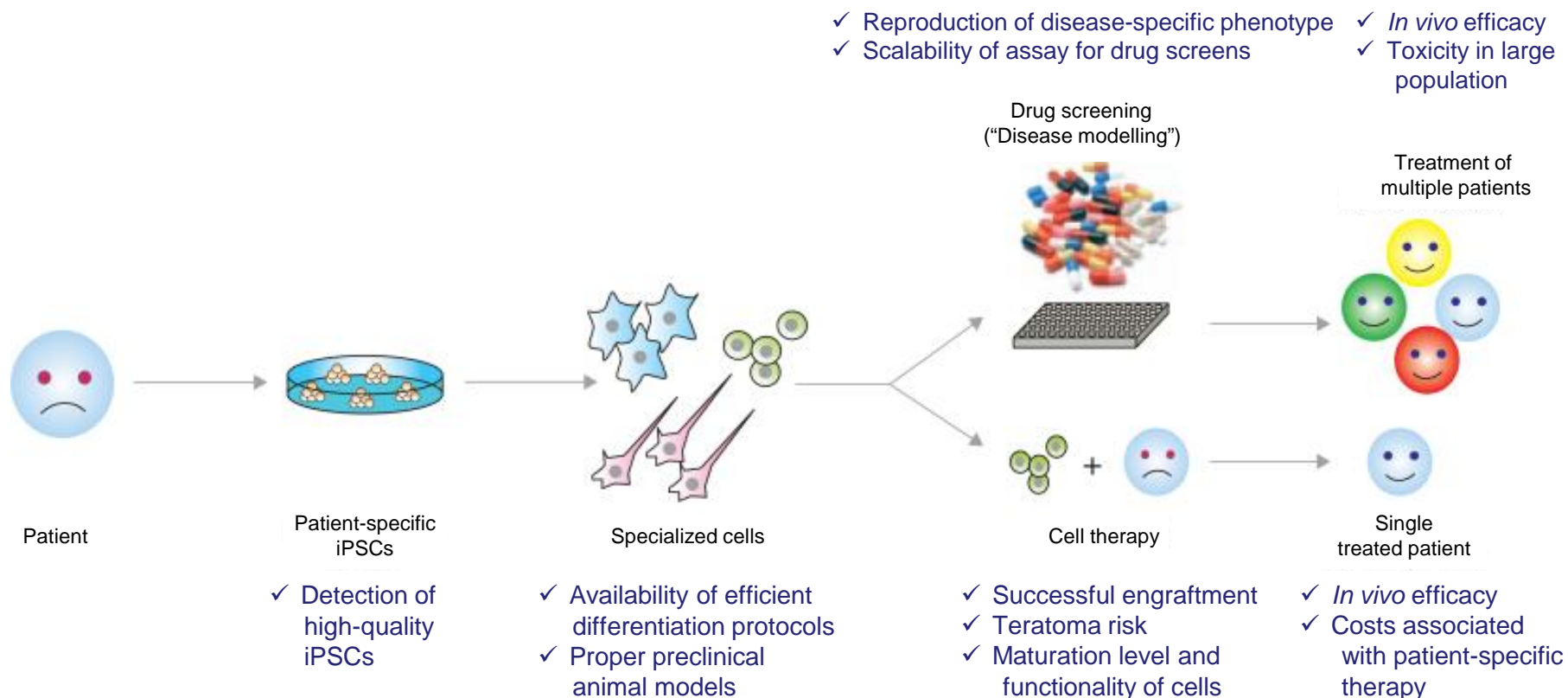
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# The Promise of iPSCs



Adapted from Wu and Hochedlinger, [Nat Cell Biol.](#) 2011 May;13(5):497-505

# Why Use iPSC to Study Mental Health Disorders?

- Diseases processes might be manifest only in cells of the brain and central nervous system
- Differentiation provides a developmental paradigm
- Disease onset often occurs later in life making human embryonic stem cells less relevant

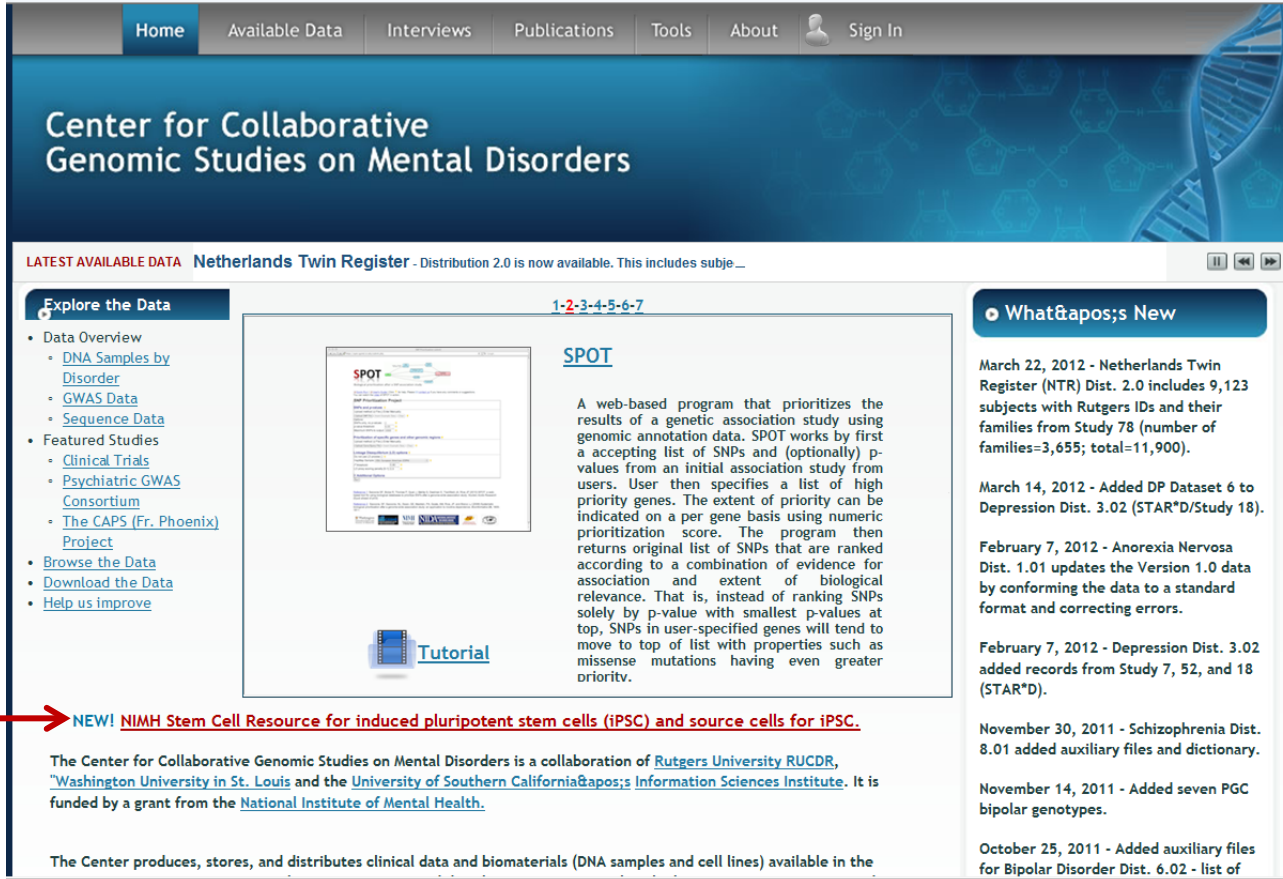
# Summary of iPSC lines generated from patients with neurological diseases

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Disease	Genetic mutation	Reprogramming method	Neural differentiation	Relevant phenotype	Reference
PD	Sporadic	Retrovirus; 4 factor	No	No	Park (6)
	Sporadic	Lentivirus; excisable, inducible 3/4 factor	Yes (~5% TH+)	No	Soldner (5)
	LRRK2 (G2019S)	Retrovirus; 3 factor	Yes (3–5% TH)	Yes: Elevated alpha-synuclein expression, increased sensitivity to cellular stressors	Nguyen (8)
	PINK1 (C1366T, T509G)	Retrovirus; 4 factor	Yes (10–15% TH of TUJ1)	Yes: Less recruitment of Parkin to the mitochondria	Seibler (9)
ALS	SNCA (A53T)	Lentivirus; excisable, inducible 4 factor	Yes	No	Soldner (68) (2011)
	SOD1 (L144F)	Retrovirus; 4 factor	Yes (20% HB9)	No	Dimos (13)
	VAPB (C166T)	Retrovirus; 4 factor	Yes (5% HB9)	Yes: Reduced VAPB levels in ALS8 patients	Mitne-Neto (14)
SMA	SMN	Retrovirus; 4 factor	Yes (~10% CHAT of TUJ1)	Yes: Reduced levels of SMN protein and impaired survival of motor neurons	Ebert (3)
FD	IKBKAP	Lentivirus; 4 factor	Yes (defects in neural crest differentiation)	Yes: Tissue-specific mis-splicing incomplete differentiation, reduced motility	Lee (4)
RTT	MeCP2 (1155del32, Q244X, T158M and R306C)	Retrovirus; 4 factor	Yes	Yes: Fewer synapses, reduced spine density, smaller soma size, altered calcium signaling and electrophysiological defects	Marchetto (27)
	MeCP2 ( $\Delta$ 3–4, T158M, R306C)	Retrovirus; 4 factor	Yes	Yes: Smaller soma size	Cheung (24)
FXS	FMR1	Retrovirus; 4 factor	No	No	Urbach (32)
SCZD	DISC1	Episomes; 4 factors	No	No	Chiang (34)
	Sporadic	Tetracycline-inducible lentivirus; 5 factors	Yes	Yes: Decreased neuronal connectivity, neurite number, PSD95-protein levels and glutamate receptor expression	Brennand (35)

ALS, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis; FD, familial dysautonomia; FXS, fragile X; PD, Parkinson's disease; RTT, Rett syndrome; SMA, spinal muscular atrophy; SCZD, schizophrenia.

Adapted from Marchetto et al., [Hum Mol Genet](#). 2011 Oct 15;20(R2):R109-15.

# The NIMH Center for Collaborative Genomic Studies on Mental Disorders



The screenshot shows the homepage of the NIMH Center for Collaborative Genomic Studies on Mental Disorders. The navigation bar includes links for Home, Available Data, Interviews, Publications, Tools, About, and Sign In. The main header reads "Center for Collaborative Genomic Studies on Mental Disorders". Below this, a banner for "LATEST AVAILABLE DATA" highlights the "Netherlands Twin Register" with Distribution 2.0. The left sidebar, titled "Explore the Data", lists categories like Data Overview (with links to DNA Samples by Disorder, GWAS Data, and Sequence Data), Featured Studies (with links to Clinical Trials, Psychiatric GWAS Consortium, and The CAPS (Fr. Phoenix) Project), and options to Browse the Data, Download the Data, or Help us improve. The main content area features a "SPOT" (SNP Prioritization Tool) description, a "Tutorial" link, and a "What's New" section with a list of updates from March 2012 back to November 2011. A red arrow points to a "NEW!" announcement for the NIMH Stem Cell Resource for induced pluripotent stem cells (iPSC) and source cells for iPSC. The footer contains information about the center's collaborative nature and funding, as well as a statement about the types of data and materials produced.

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## Center for Collaborative Genomic Studies on Mental Disorders

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  - [DNA Samples by Disorder](#)
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**SPOT**

A web-based program that prioritizes the results of a genetic association study using genomic annotation data. SPOT works by first accepting a list of SNPs and (optionally) p-values from an initial association study from users. User then specifies a list of high priority genes. The extent of priority can be indicated on a per gene basis using numeric prioritization score. The program then returns original list of SNPs that are ranked according to a combination of evidence for association and extent of biological relevance. That is, instead of ranking SNPs solely by p-value with smallest p-values at top, SNPs in user-specified genes will tend to move to top of list with properties such as missense mutations having even greater priority.

**Tutorial**

**What's New**

- March 22, 2012 - Netherlands Twin Register (NTR) Dist. 2.0 includes 9,123 subjects with Rutgers IDs and their families from Study 78 (number of families=3,655; total=11,900).
- March 14, 2012 - Added DP Dataset 6 to Depression Dist. 3.02 (STAR\*D/Study 18).
- February 7, 2012 - Anorexia Nervosa Dist. 1.01 updates the Version 1.0 data by conforming the data to a standard format and correcting errors.
- February 7, 2012 - Depression Dist. 3.02 added records from Study 7, 52, and 18 (STAR\*D).
- November 30, 2011 - Schizophrenia Dist. 8.01 added auxiliary files and dictionary.
- November 14, 2011 - Added seven PGC bipolar genotypes.
- October 25, 2011 - Added auxiliary files for Bipolar Disorder Dist. 6.02 - list of

**NEW!** NIMH Stem Cell Resource for induced pluripotent stem cells (iPSC) and source cells for iPSC.

The Center for Collaborative Genomic Studies on Mental Disorders is a collaboration of [Rutgers University RUCDR](#), [Washington University in St. Louis](#) and the [University of Southern California's Information Sciences Institute](#). It is funded by a grant from the [National Institute of Mental Health](#).

The Center produces, stores, and distributes clinical data and biomaterials (DNA samples and cell lines) available in the

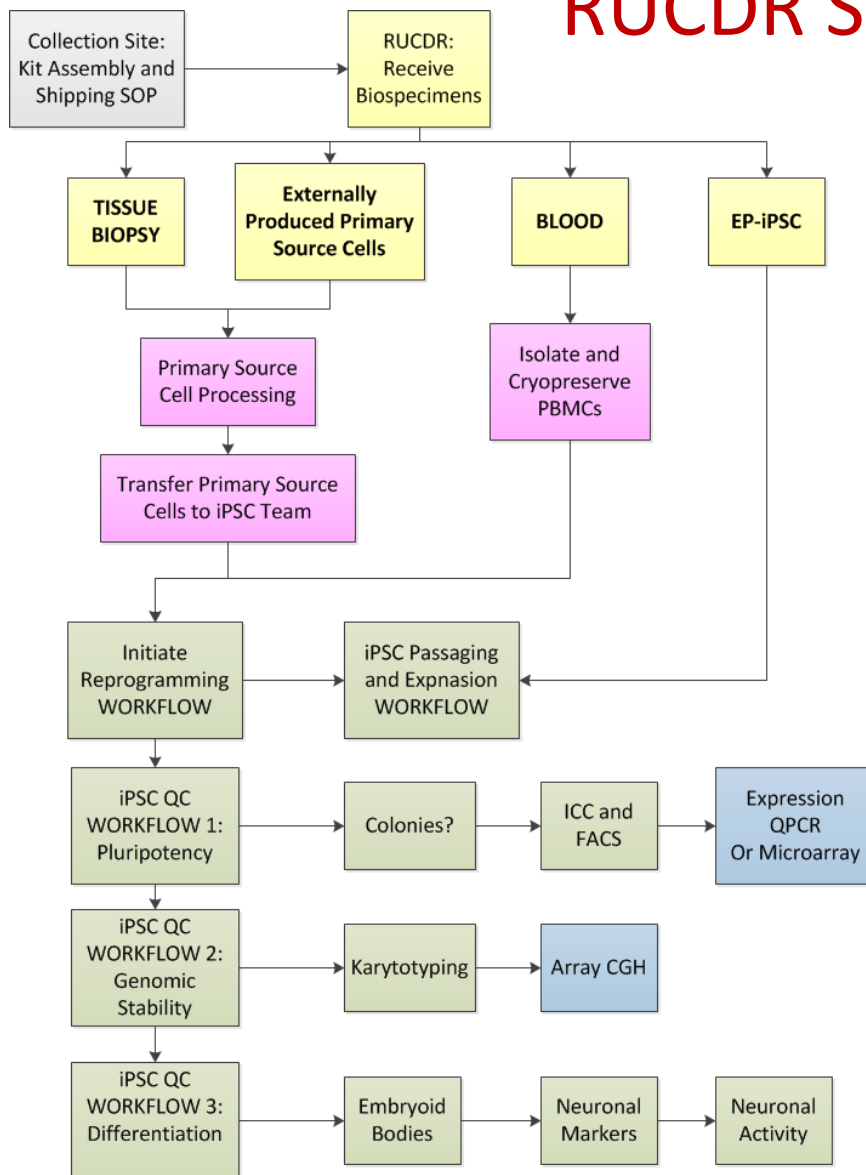
<https://www.nimhgenetics.org/>



## NIMH-Supported Efforts Include:

- **2009-2013 (RFA-MH-09-130, ARRA, etc):** generation of source cells (e.g., fibroblasts) and reprogrammed cells has occurred through individual competing research project grants rather than a unified derivation effort.
- **2011 (NOT-MH-10-024):** Central repository to bank, validate & distribute iPSCs and source cells at Rutgers, integrated with NIMH Human Genetics Initiative;  
<http://nimhstemcells.org/>.
  - Steering Committee guides Q/C and validation processes.
  - Most lines from schizophrenia, bipolar disorder and autism spectrum disorders; first lines will be available in October 2013.
- **2012 (NOT-MH-13-002):** Policy statement - NIMH grantees are expected to submit source cells and reprogrammed cells to NIMH repository.
  - Consents and sharing plans stipulate centralized banking and wide distribution, including to for-profit entities.

# RUCDR Stem Cell Operations



Client

Communications

Primary Cell Team

iPSC Team

Genomics Team



# nimhstemcells.org

## nimh stem cell center

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### mission

The purpose of the NMH Stem Cell Center is to provide a resource for postnatal-to-adult human control and patient-derived cells and their reprogrammed derivatives; this repository will support stem cell research relevant to mental disorders. This includes but is not limited to anxiety disorders, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, autism spectrum disorders, bipolar disorder, borderline personality disorder, depression, eating disorders, obsessive-compulsive disorder, panic disorder, post-traumatic stress disorder, and schizophrenia. The capabilities of the repository will range from derivation and banking of primary source cells from postnatal through adult human subject tissue to more comprehensive banking and validation of iPSCs or similar reprogrammed/de-differentiated cells.

### nimh center for collaborative studies of mental disorders at rucdr



**RUCDR** is the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) Center for Collaborative Studies of Mental Disorders. We have established cell lines and DNA for this initiative since 1998. The NMH collection now contains a vast array of samples from families with schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, Alzheimer's disease, autism, obsessive-compulsive disorder, depression, and ADHD. Many important discoveries have been made by investigators accessing these collections. There is a [catalog listing cells available](#) under the NMH program.

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### nih center for regenerative medicine

**RUCDR** is the host for a collection of iPSC created by the [NIH Center for Regenerative Medicine \(CRM\)](#). There is a [catalog of available lines](#).

### rucdr



Rutgers University Cell and DNA Repository (**RUCDR**) plays a key role in research aimed at understanding the genetic causes of common, complex diseases. RUCDR activities will enable gene discovery leading to diagnoses, treatments and, eventually, cures for these diseases. RUCDR assists researchers throughout the world by providing the highest quality biomaterials, technical consultation, and logistical support.



### news updates

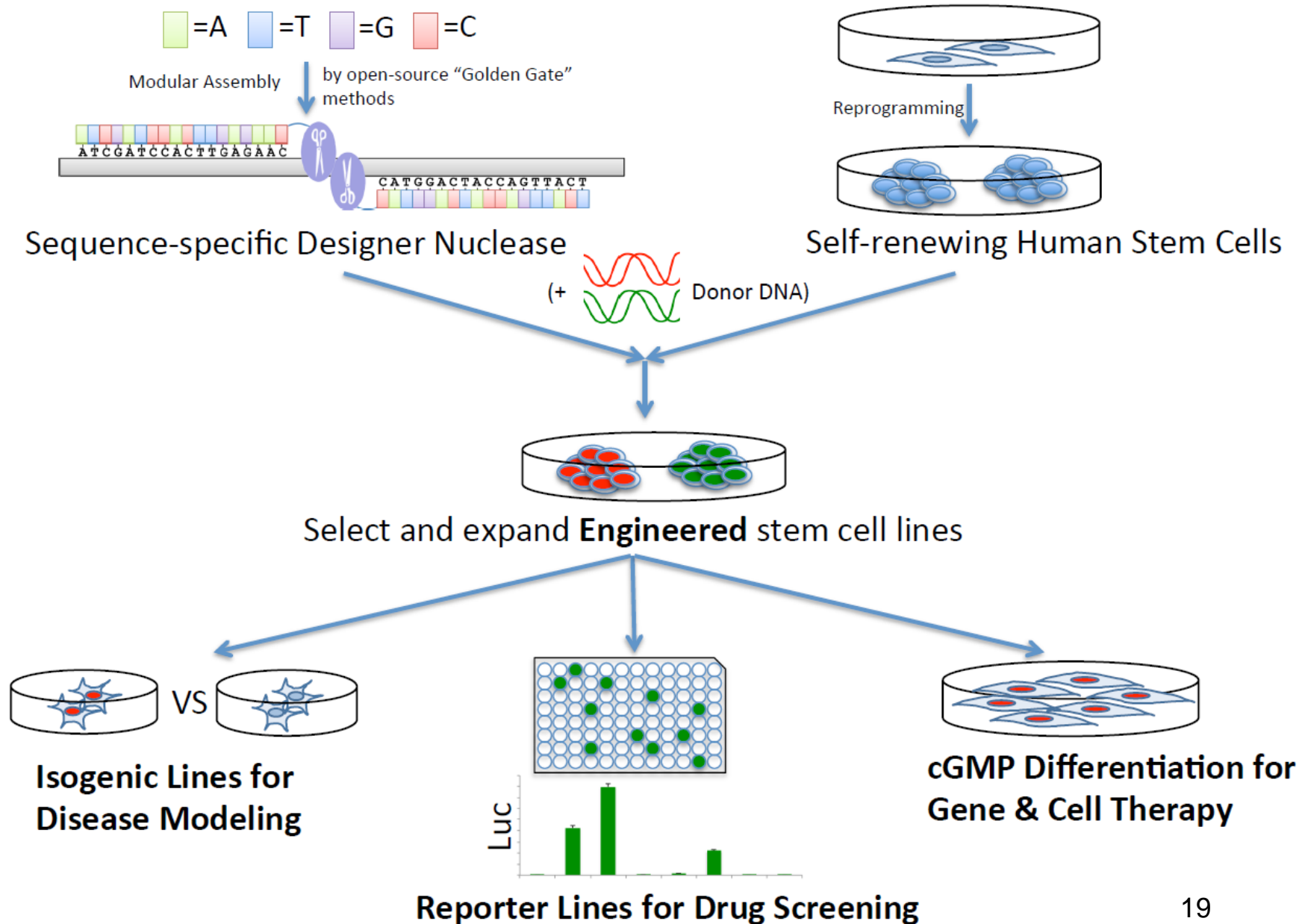
2013 World Congress on Psychiatric Genetics (WCPG). We have organized a symposium entitled "Induced Pluripotent Stem Cells: Tools for the Investigation of Neuropsychiatric Disorders" to be presented at the 2013 World Congress on Psychiatric Genetics on October 17-21, 2013.

We have been invited to participate in the International Coordination for Large Scale iPSCs Initiatives retreat being held at the

# Disease-Specific iPSC Lines at RSCL

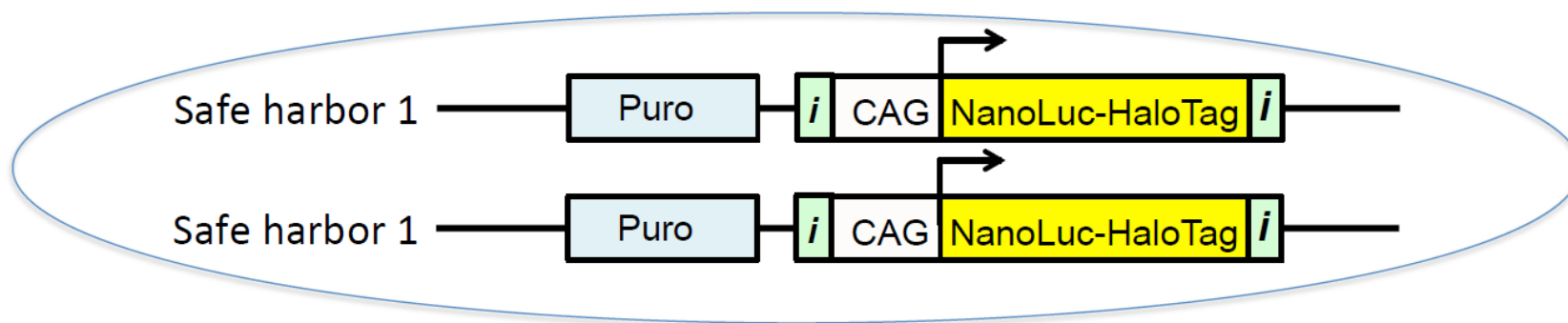
Catalog of induced Pluripotent Stem Cell (iPSC) and Source Cells available for distribution through the NIMH Stem Cell Resource						
Updated August 12, 2013						
Disorder	Study #	Abstract	# of iPSC Lines	# of Fibroblast Lines	# of Olfactory Epithelium Lines	Projected Release Date
Schizophrenia (22q11 Deletion)	125	<a href="#">R33MH087840</a>	9	Approx.16		8/1/2013
Autism	116	<a href="#">R01MH089176</a>	23	19		9/1/2013
Phelan McDermid	115	<a href="#">R33MH087898</a>	--	35		10/1/2013
Autism (22q11.2 Deletion)	115	<a href="#">R33MH087898</a>	60	Approx. 60		10/1/2013
Bipolar Disorder	130	<a href="#">R21MH093958</a>	24	50		1/1/2014
Fragile X (Autism)	117	<a href="#">R33MH087925</a>	8	--	--	2/1/2014
Schizophrenia & Bipolar Disorder	131	<a href="#">R01MH091115</a>	Approx. 20	Approx. 20	--	6/1/2014
Bipolar Disorder	101	<a href="#">U01MH092758</a>	--	Approx. 100		6/6/2015
Schizophrenia	92	<a href="#">RC2MH089973</a>	--	35	--	To Be Announced
Schizophrenia	92	<a href="#">RC2MH089973</a>	--	58	--	To Be Announced
Schizophrenia	127	--	--	8	9	To Be Announced
Schizophrenia (Childhood Onset)	132	<a href="#">ZIAMH002581</a>	--	181	--	To Be Announced

# Genome Engineering in Human Stem Cells



# Engineered Safe Harbor Reporter Lines

- Quantitative and Sensitive
- Stable Expression
- Useful for drug screening



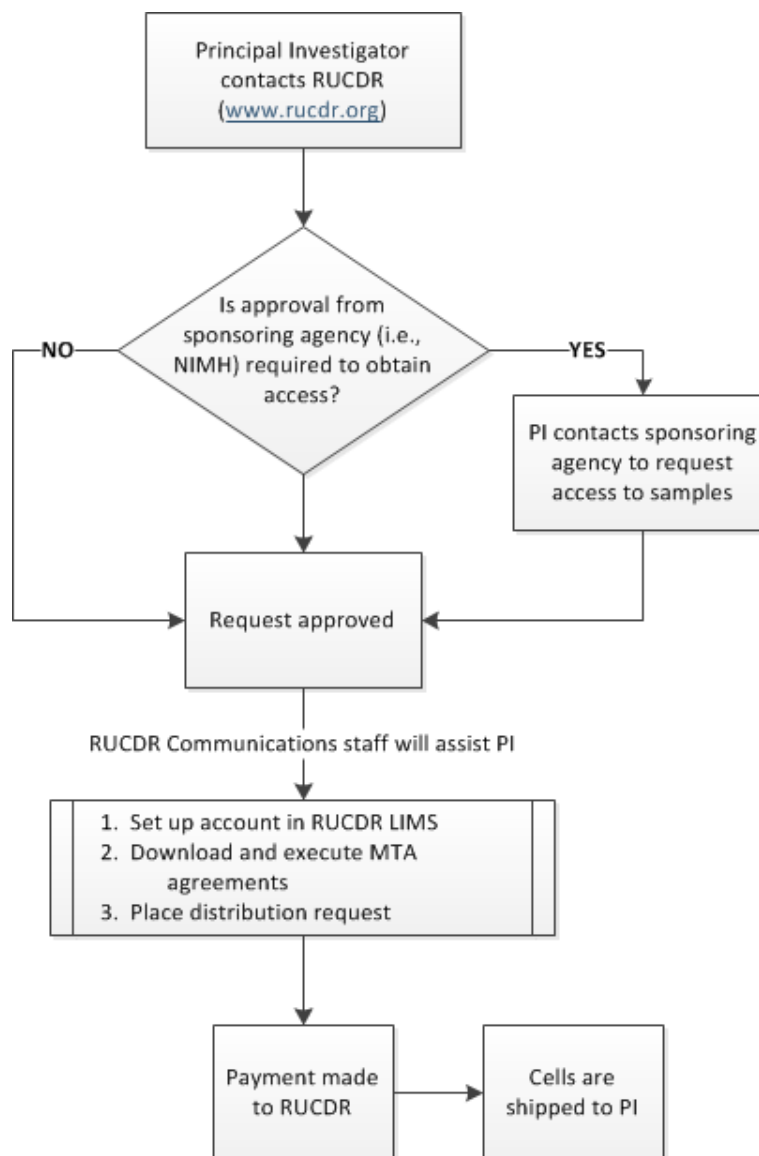
3 Lines available from RSCL later in 2013:

- copGFP with RMCE in C19 locus
- NanoLuc and Halotag in C13 locus
- NanoLuc and Halotag in C19 locus

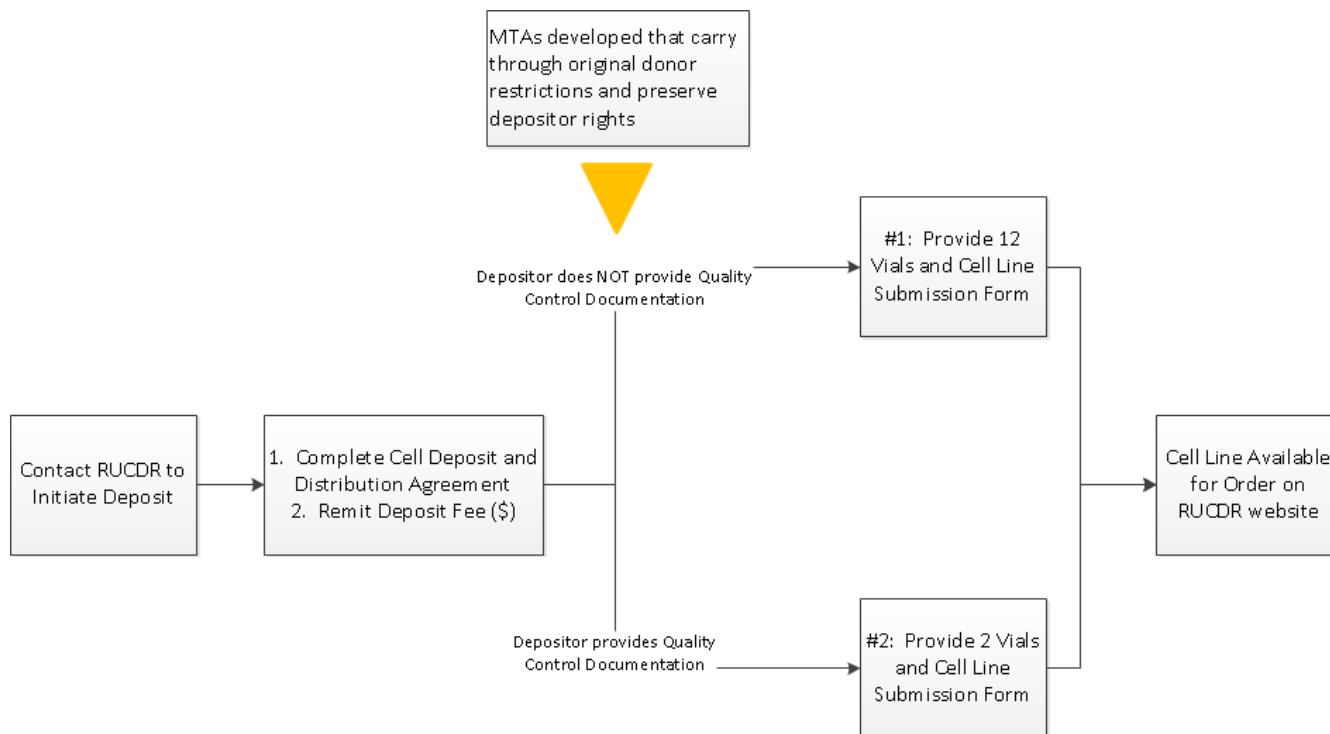
# Control NIH-CRM iPSC Lines at RSCL

NIH Center for Regenerative Medicine iPSC Lines currently in distribution at RUCDR Infinite Biologics: August 2013					
Name or Designation	Description	iPSC Reprogramming Method	Starting Material	Source	Currently Available ?
<b>NCRM-1</b>	iPSC Control	Episomal Plasmid	CD 34+ Cord Blood	NIH CRM Lonza Contract	Yes
<b>NCRM-2</b>	iPSC Control	Episomal Plasmid	CD 34+ Cord Blood	NIH CRM Lonza Contract	Yes
<b>NCRM-3</b>	iPSC Control	Episomal Plasmid	CD 34+ Cord Blood	NIH CRM Lonza Contract	Yes
<b>NCRM-4</b>	iPSC Control	Episomal Plasmid	CD 34+ Cord Blood	NIH CRM Lonza Contract	Yes
<b>NCRM-5</b>	iPSC Control	Episomal Plasmid	CD 34+ Cord Blood	NIH CRM Lonza Contract	Yes
<b>NCRM-6</b>	iPSC Control	Episomal Plasmid	CD 34+ Cord Blood	NIH CRM Lonza Contract	Yes
<b>ND1.4</b>	iPSC Control	Episomal Plasmid	Fibroblast (ATCC)	University of Wisconsin	Yes
<b>ND2.0</b>	iPSC Control	Episomal Plasmid	Fibroblast (ATCC)	University of Wisconsin	Yes
<b>CY2</b>	iPSC Control	Episomal Plasmid	Blood	NIH CRM CDI Contract	Yes
<b>NCRM5AS1-iCAGcGFP</b>	iPSC line with copGFP with RMCE in C19 locus	Episomal Plasmid	NCRM5	Dr. Jizhong Zou (NIH CRM)	Coming soon
<b>NCRM5C13-iCLHN</b>	iPSC line with NanoLuc and Halotag in C13 locus	Episomal Plasmid	NCRM5	Dr. Jizhong Zou (NIH CRM)	Coming soon
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# Procedure for Obtaining RUCDR Cell Lines



# Depositing Cell lines with RUCDR



## Advantages and benefits :

- RUCDR rebanks as needed to assure continued availability
- Quality assurance
- Global distribution
- Save time and effort with MTA management done by RUCDR
- Customized terms of distribution (ie. only to academia) and timed release (ie. after publication)

# The RUCDR Stem Cell Laboratory

## Operational Overview

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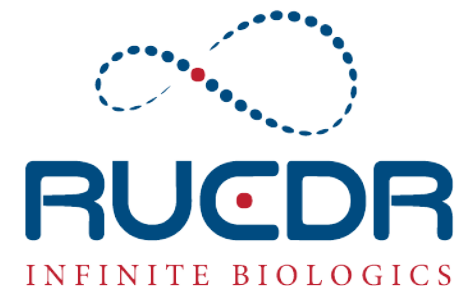
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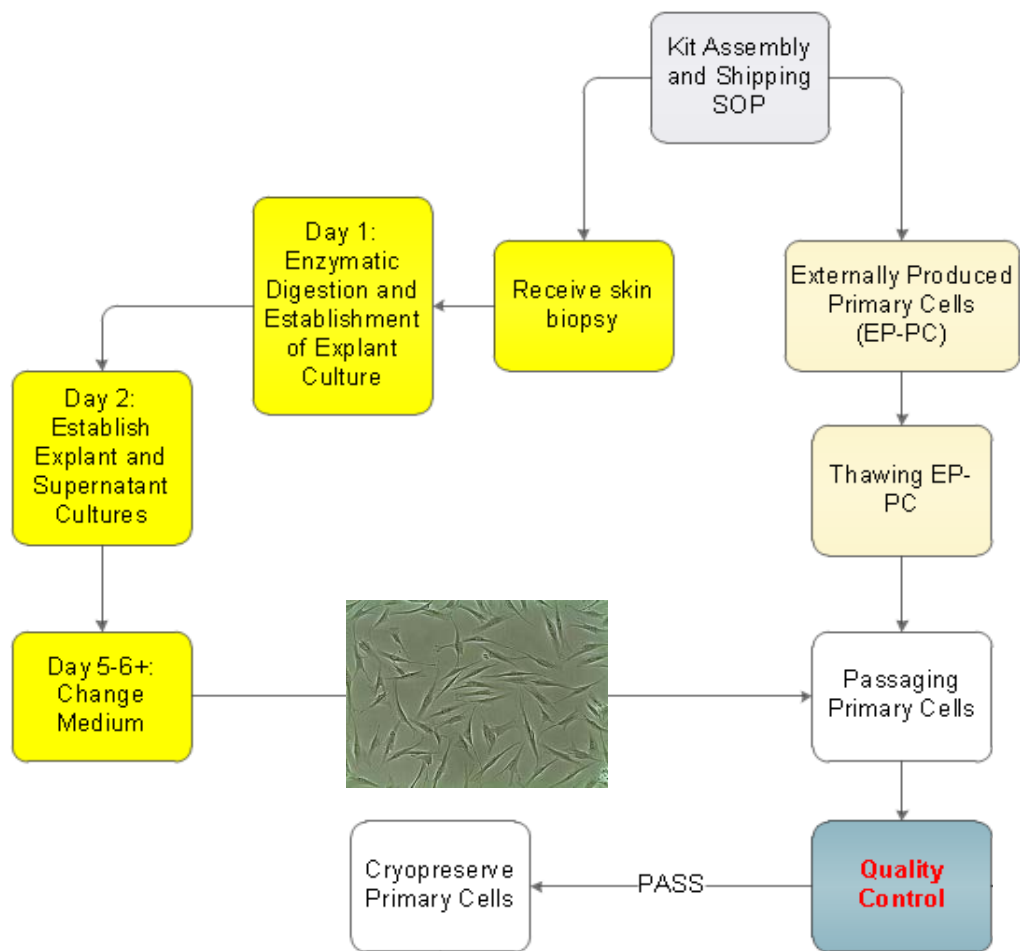




## Services Offered to the Stem Cell Community by RUCDR

1. Cryopreserve and Distribute the highest quality primary and iPSC cells.
2. Culturing primary source cells from tissue biopsies or frozen stocks submitted for banking. Assist clients in tissue collection and shipment as needed.
3. Provide a resource for reprogramming primary cells to iPSC and/or propagating iPSC submitted by clients.
4. Establish a rigorous Quality Control workflow for all cell types.

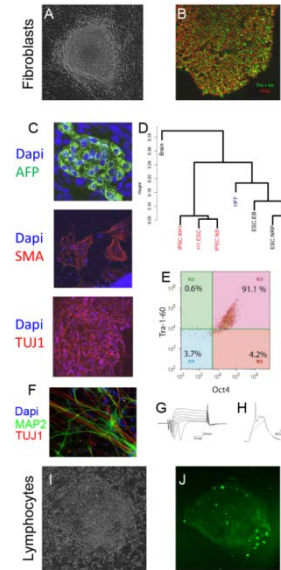
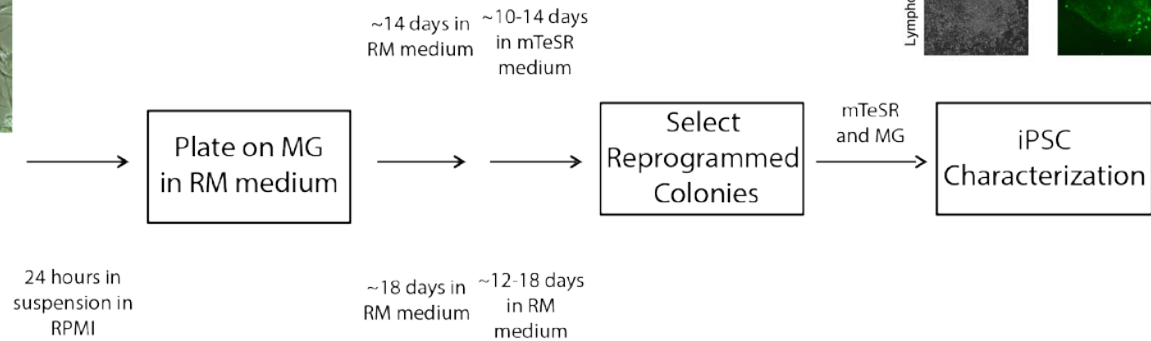
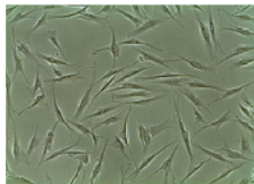
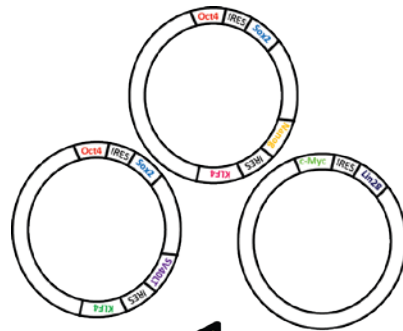
# Biopsy and Fibroblast Workflow



## Source Cell Reprogramming

<b>Fibroblasts</b>	<b>Cryopreserved Lymphocytes</b>	<b>Lymphoblastoid Cell Lines</b>	<b>Olfactory Epithelium</b>
Episomal Vectors	Sendai Viral Vectors	Episomal Vectors	Episomal Vectors
Renewable Resource	Semi-Renewable Resource	Renewable Resource	Renewable Resource
>50	>150	>25	N/A

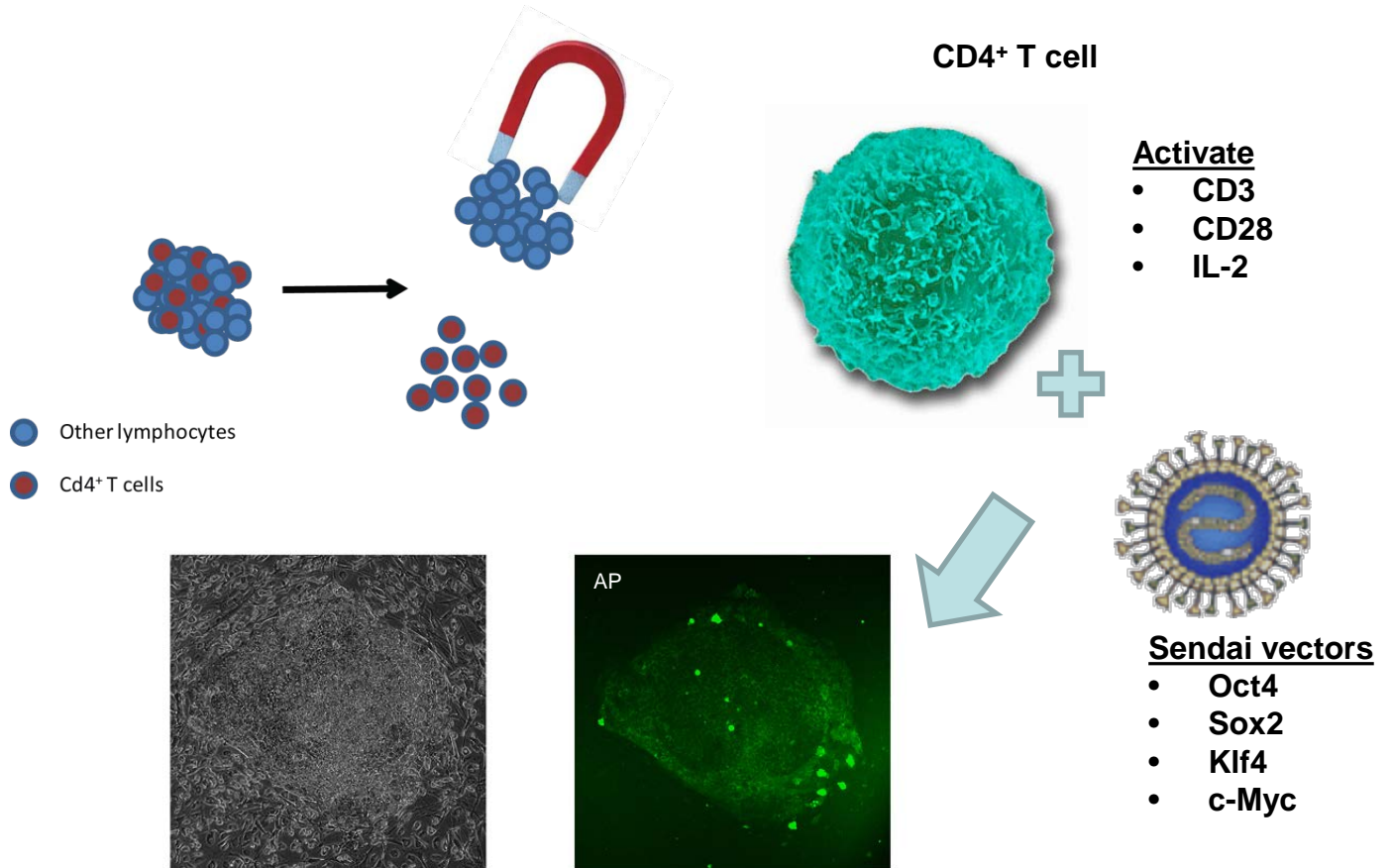
# Reprogramming with Episomes



# Reprogramming with Sendai Viral Vectors



Lymphocytes

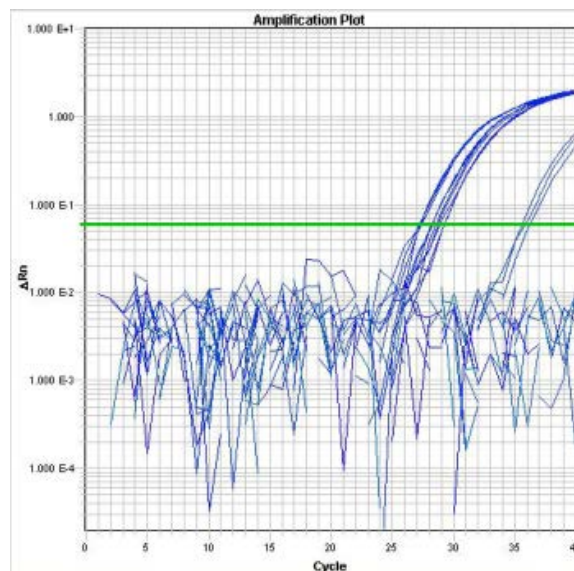


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RUID SNP

Viability

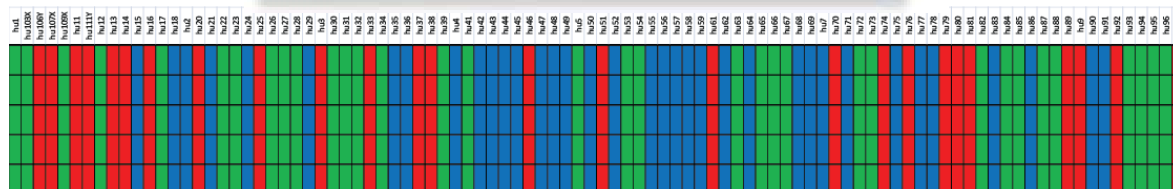
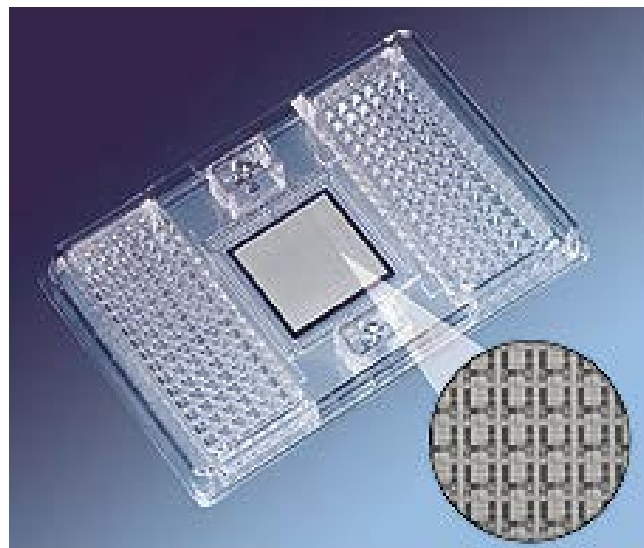


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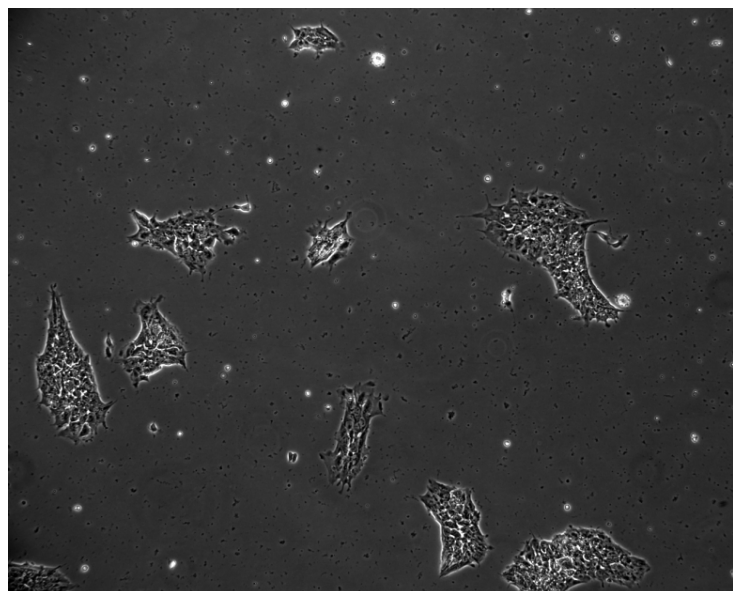


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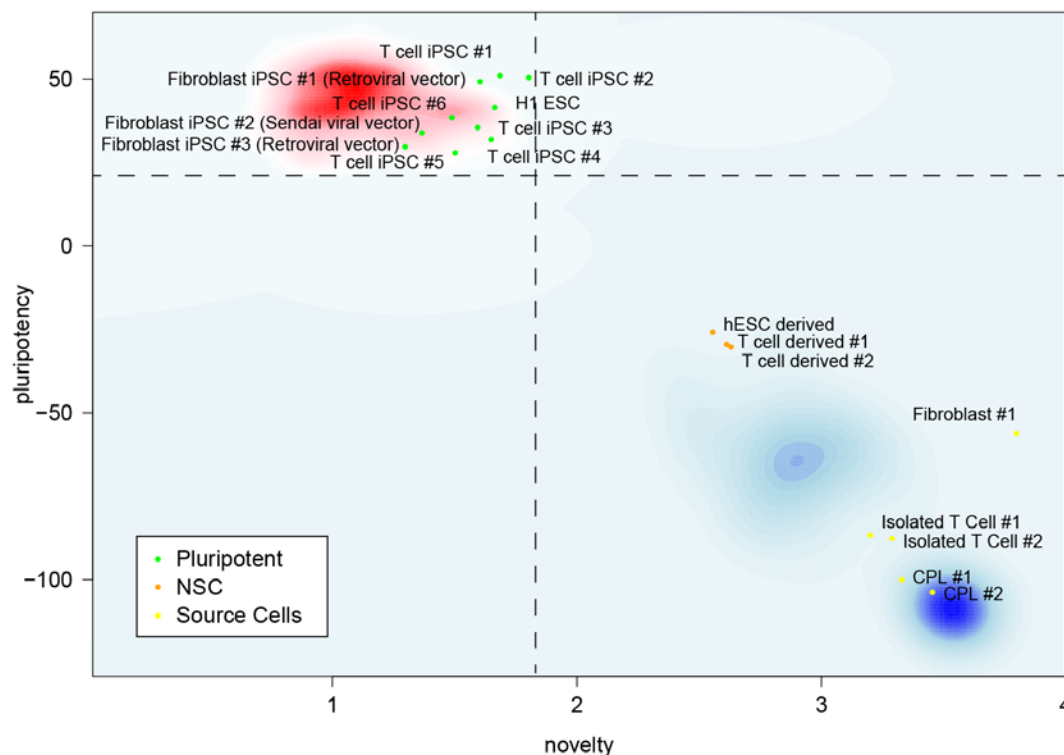
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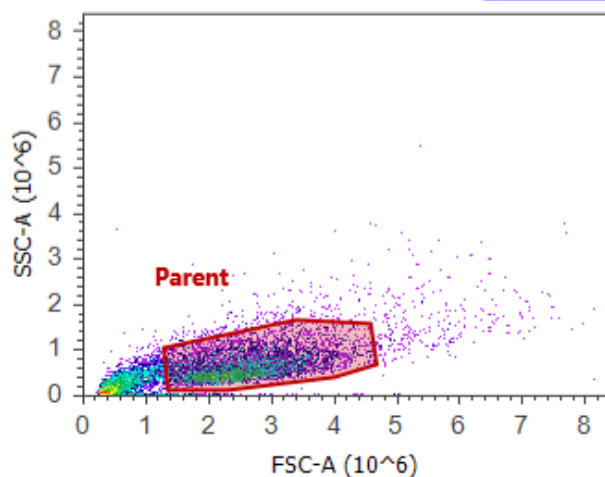
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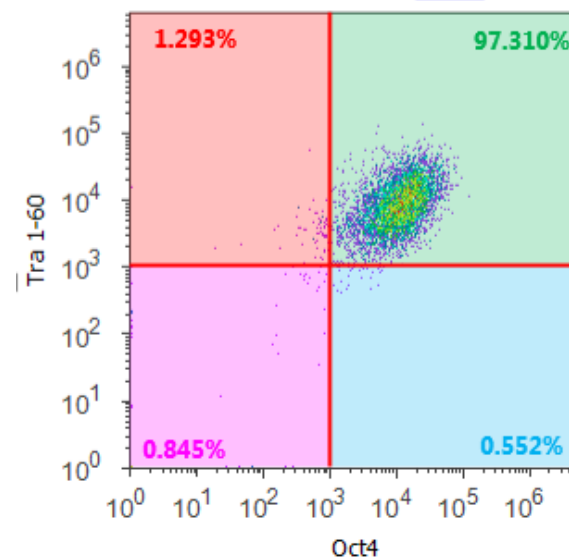
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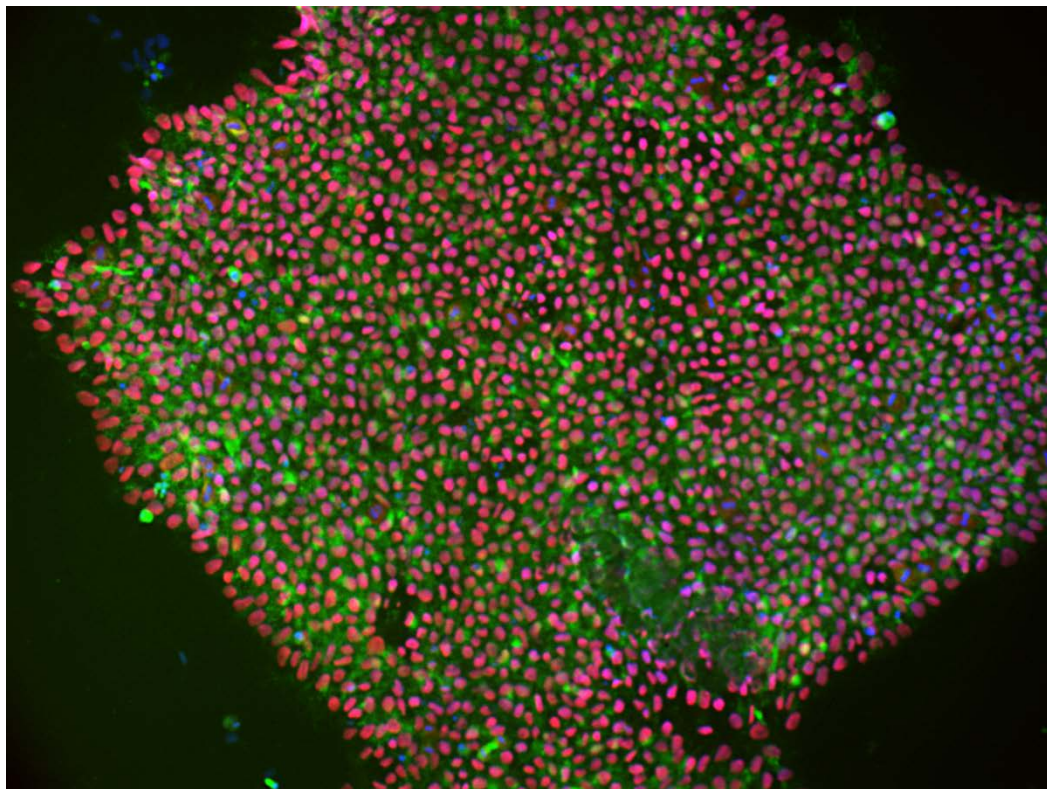
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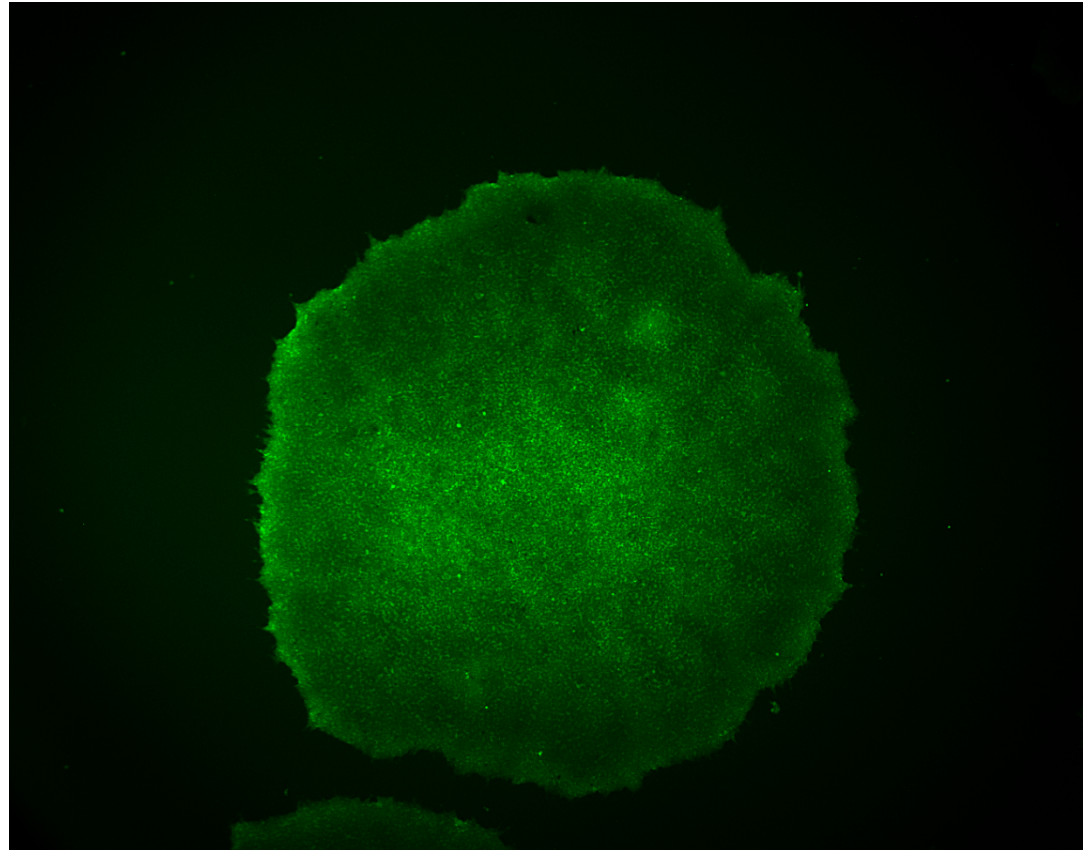
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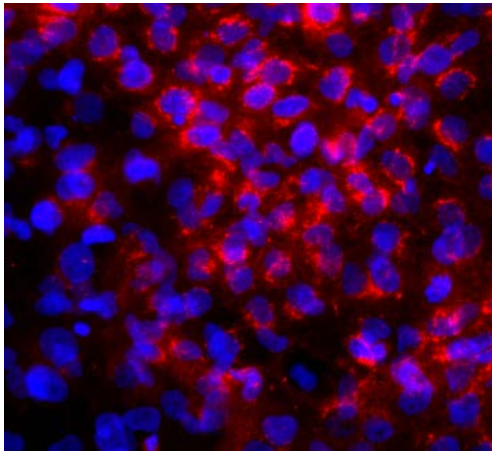
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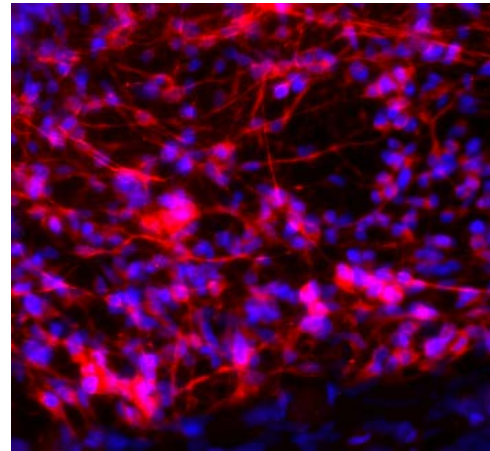
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# Quality Control – Differentiation

AFP



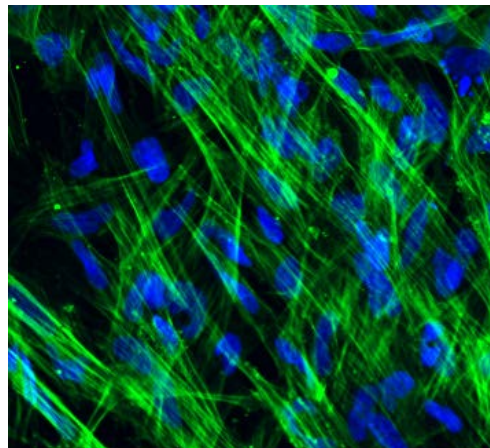
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Bodies

Teratomas

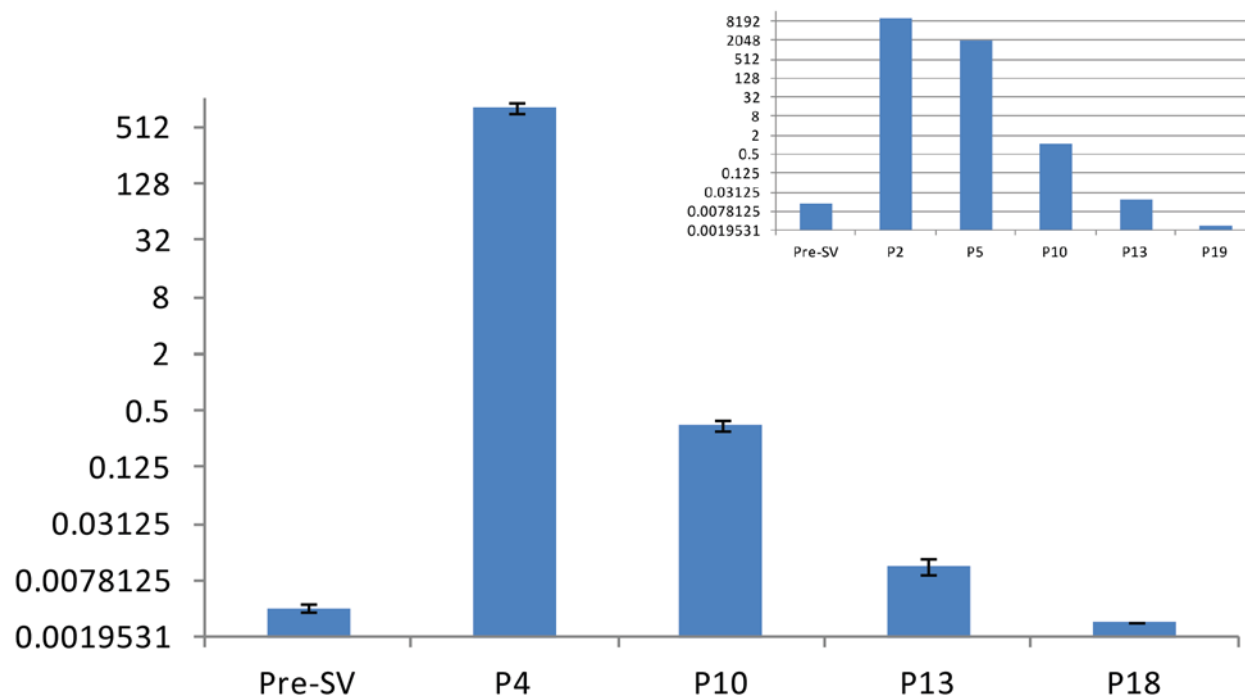
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# Quality Control – Loss of Reprogramming Factors

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EBV  
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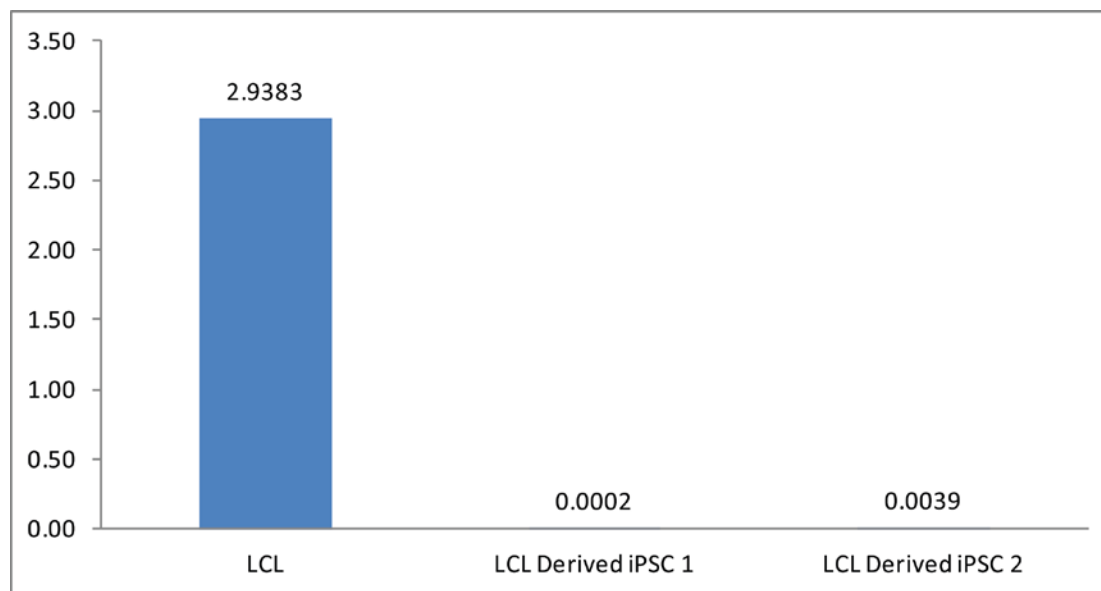




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# iPSC Produced at Rutgers

>250 iPSC lines completed (~85 subjects)

## Episomes/EBV-lymphocyte lines

- Alcoholism
  - Autism
  - Alzheimer's
- (86-year-old subject;  
Cells frozen 18 years ago)

## Episomes/fibroblasts

- Schizophrenia

## Sendai/Lymphocytes

- Addiction
- Alcoholism
- Schizophrenia
- Tourette's
- TSC
- Autism



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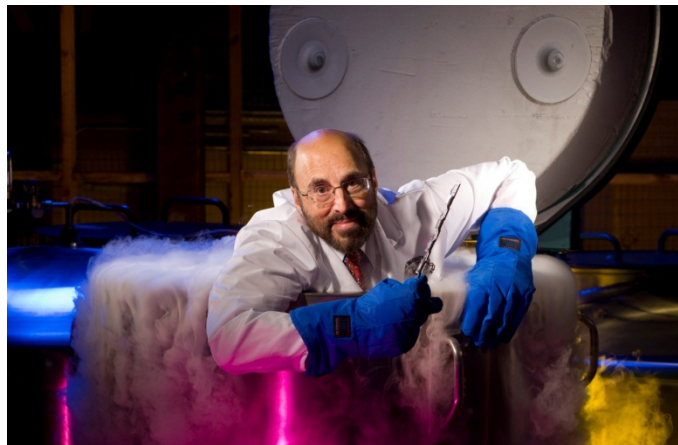
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