## Group 1-4 Cultured Neuronal Networks

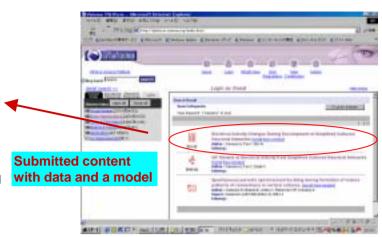
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### Electrical activity changes during development of simplified cultured neuronal network

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Electrical activity changes during development of neuronal networks with a small number of neurons were observed using a multi electrode array. To explore their dynamics, we constructed a neuronal network model using integrated and fire model and parameters were optimized to reproduce the experimentally obtained spike train.



### **Experiments**

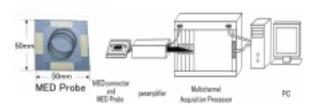


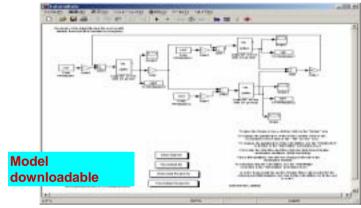
Fig.1 A small number of neurons from land water snail Lymnae were cultured on a multi electrode array substrate. The electrical signals from neurons were amplified, digitized and stored in a computer.

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Fig.2 Spontaneous electrical signals from three neurons on the neighboring electrode were observed. They changed from sptiotemporally random state to synchronized and periodic state according to the days in culture.

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# Model simulations



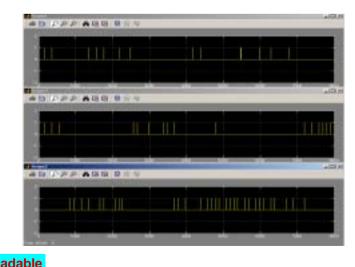


Fig.3 Spike trains from three neurons with synaptic connections were simulated using I & F model ( programmed by Gabbiani ).