



# Cell & Tissue Engineering

The Challenge: Repairing the Human Body

# Regenerative medicine

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- Creating functional new tissues to repair or replace damaged or diseased tissues
  - Therapeutic agent = cell or a collection of cells (tissue)

# Cell Engineering

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- Manipulation of mammalian cell genome
  - Editing, reprogramming, resetting
    - Genetic and epigenetic level – gene expression, protein processing and ultimately cell behavior

# Tissue engineering

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- Development of biological substitutes to restore, maintain or improve tissue function (Y.C. Fung 1985)

# Tissue transplantation ancient history

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**Greek Mythology**

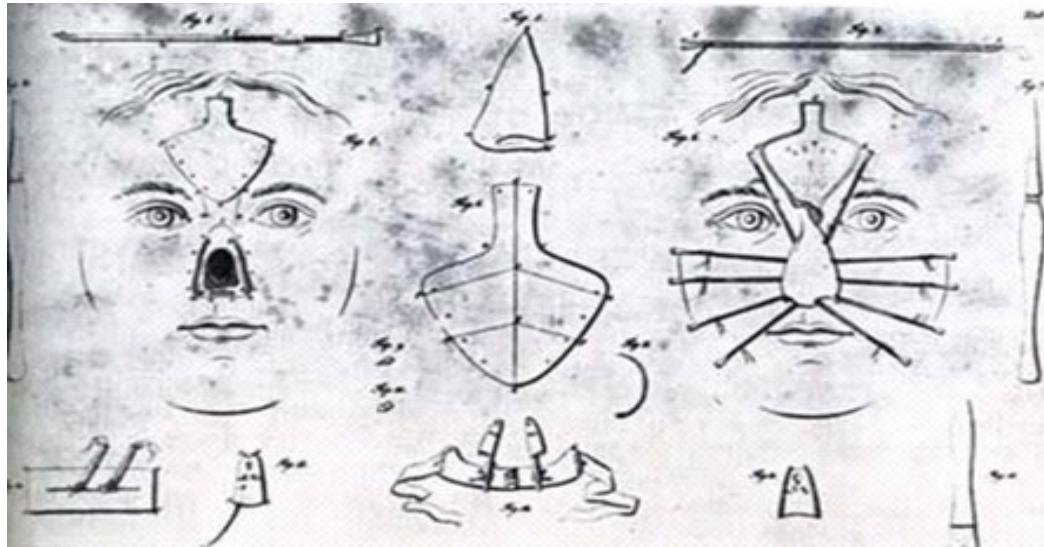


**Ancient Egypt**



# 1000 BC Nose Transplant

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# Modern day

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# Tissue transplantation in U.S.

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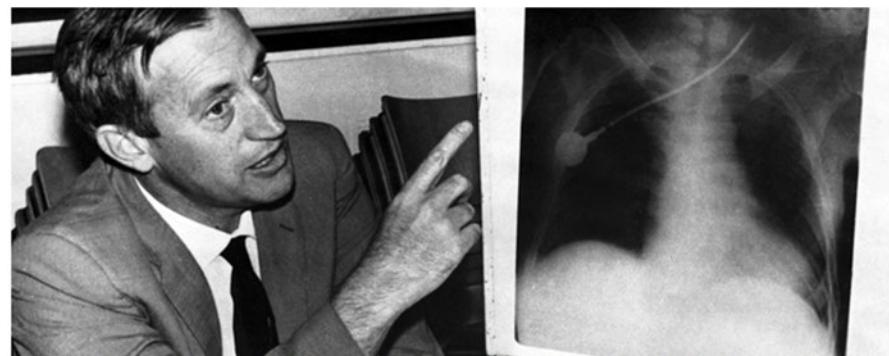
- Rate ~30,000 organ transplants per year in US
- Demand >110,000 people on waiting lists
- Lives lost ~19 people lost per day due to lack of organs

# Tissue transplant history

## MAN'S LIFE SAVED BY TWIN'S KIDNEY

Identical Brother Furnishes  
Organ in First Successful  
Transplanting Surgery

1954 – first successful  
kidney transplant (U.S)



Surgeon Christian Barnard shows an X-ray image of Louis Washkansky's chest taken during the first heart transplant.

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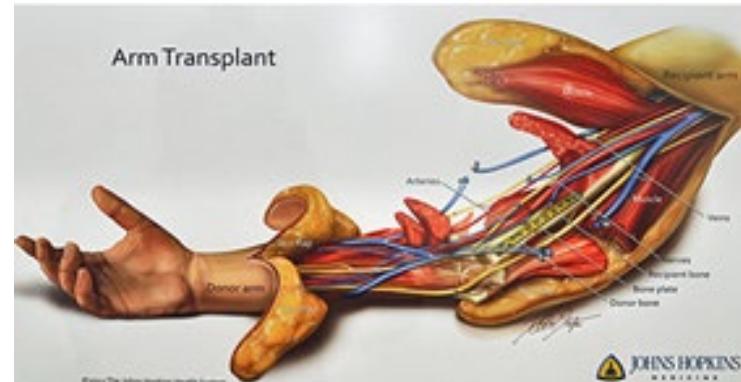
1967 – first successful heart transplant  
(South Africa)

# Recent advances- transplantation

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Replacement of  
soldier's arms

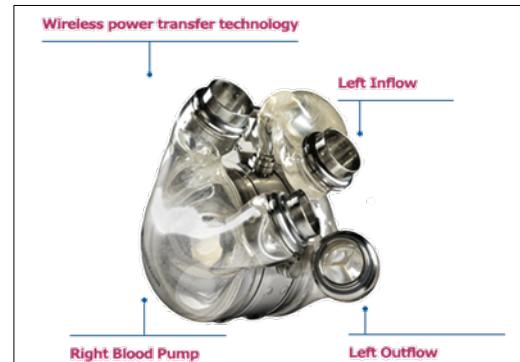


# Alternatives to tissue transplantation

- Medicine



- Artificial or synthetic organs



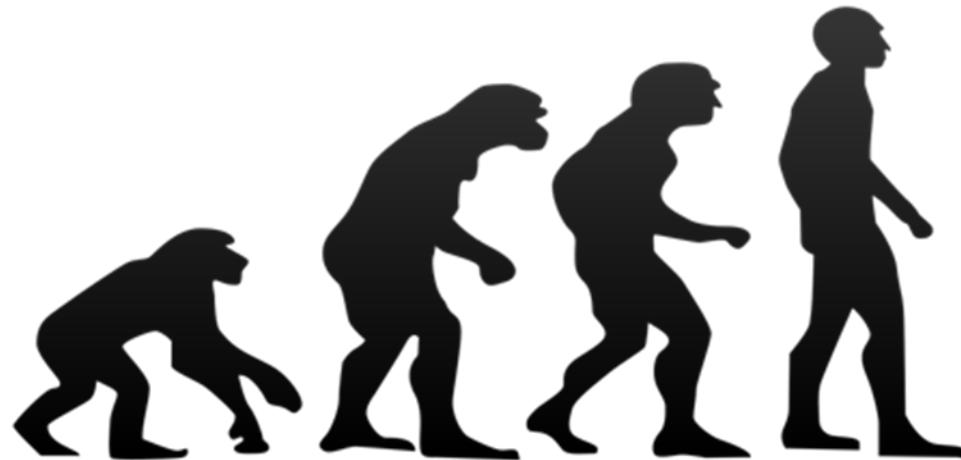
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# Difficulties of cell & tissue engineering

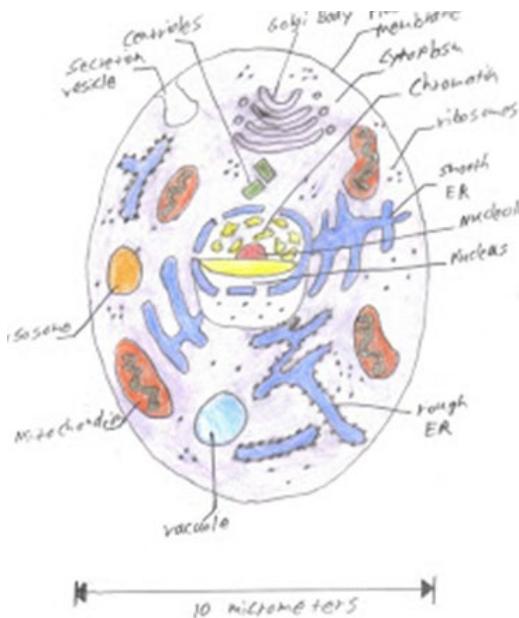
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- Time



# Difficulties of cell & tissue engineering (cont.)

- Function
  - + self-renewable
  - + self-rechargeable
  - + self-repairable



# Difficulties of cell & tissue engineering (cont.)

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- Dynamic range
- Unknown Functions
- Risks
- Scaling-up



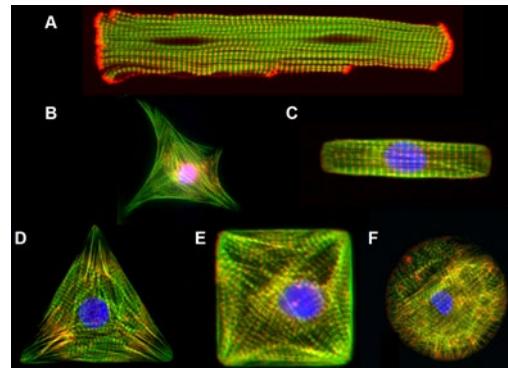
# Advances in cell & tissue engineering

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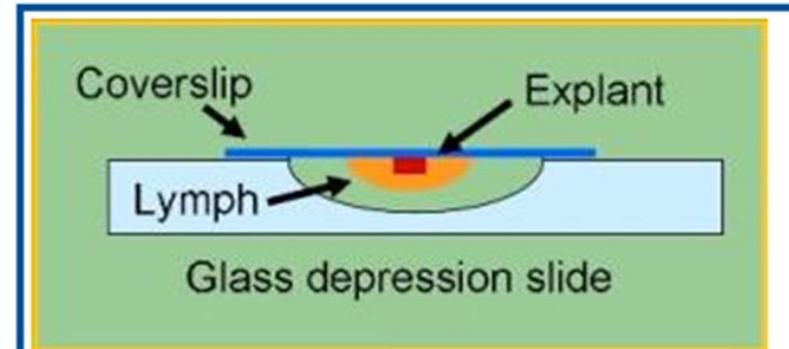
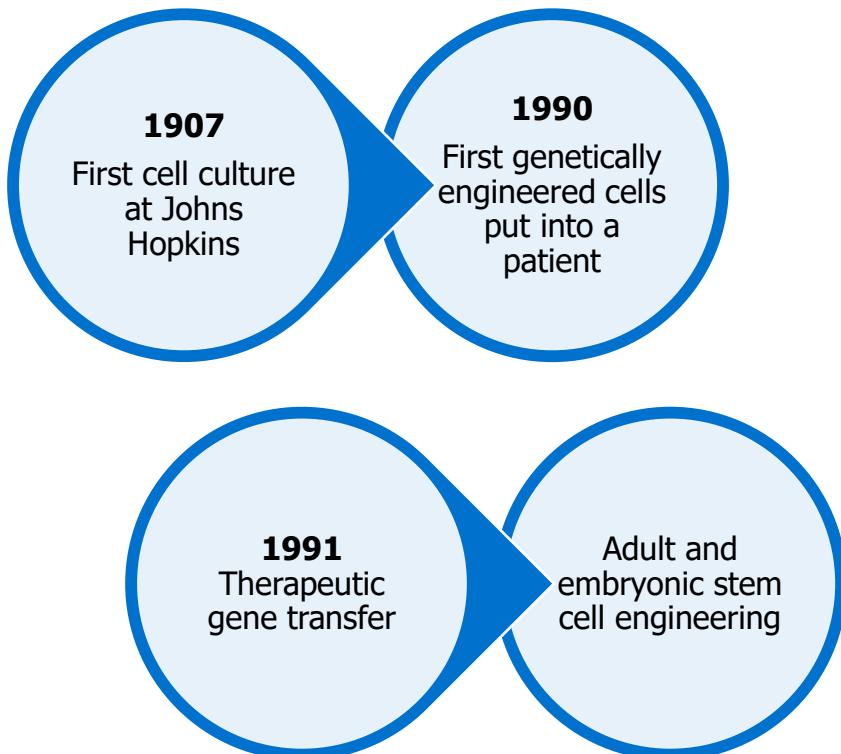
- Cells
- Matrices/scaffolds
- Signals

# Advances – cell engineering

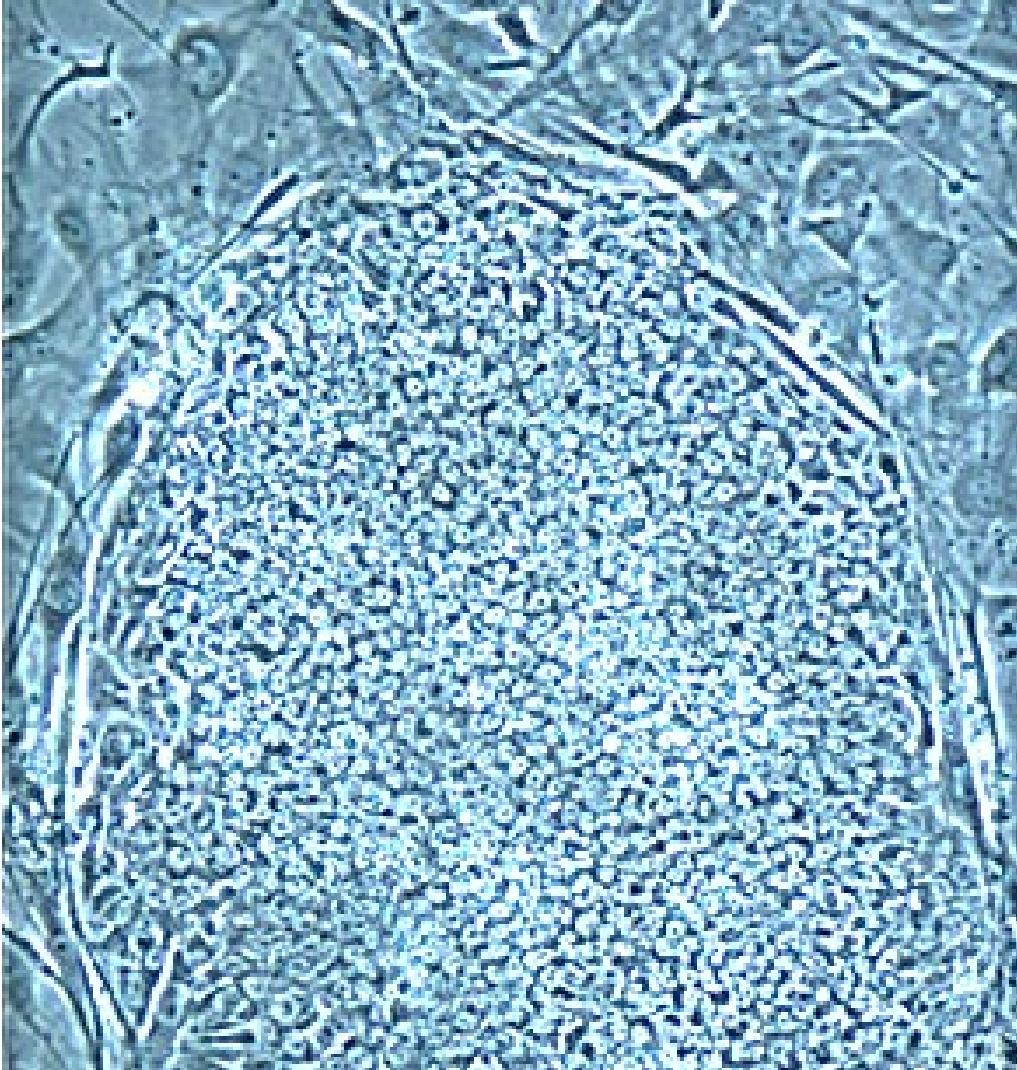
- **Cell Engineering (Autologous, Allogeneic, or Xenogenic)**
  1. Differentiated cells of same type as tissue
  2. Stem cells (e.g., bone marrow-derived)
  3. Other cell types (e.g., dermal cells)



# Advances – cell engineering (cont.)



**Figure 1.** To grow his tissue explants, Harrison adapted the hanging drop technique that microbiologists used to study live bacteria. This technique continued to be used until the 1950s.

A micrograph showing a dense cluster of embryonic stem cells. The cells are small, rounded, and tightly packed, appearing as a uniform blue-grey color. They are surrounded by a network of thin, white, branching fibers, likely extracellular matrix or feeder cells.

# Embryotic stem cells

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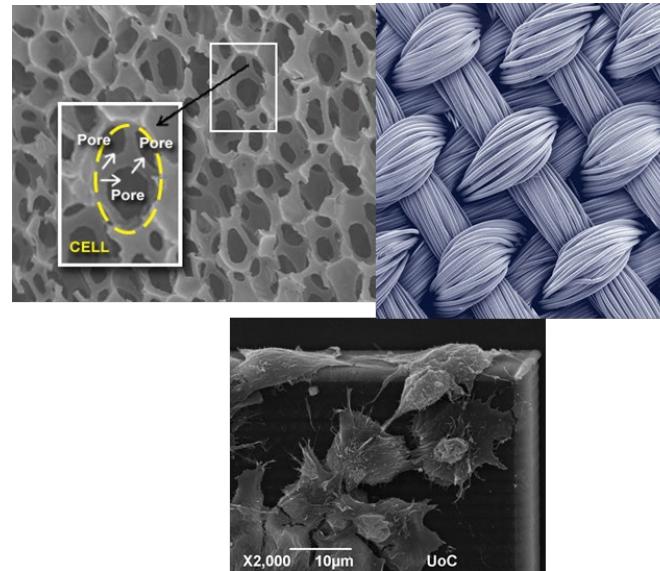
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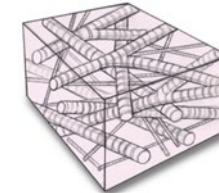
# Advances – matrices and scaffolds

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1. Biomaterials
2. Synthetics



# Biomaterial advances

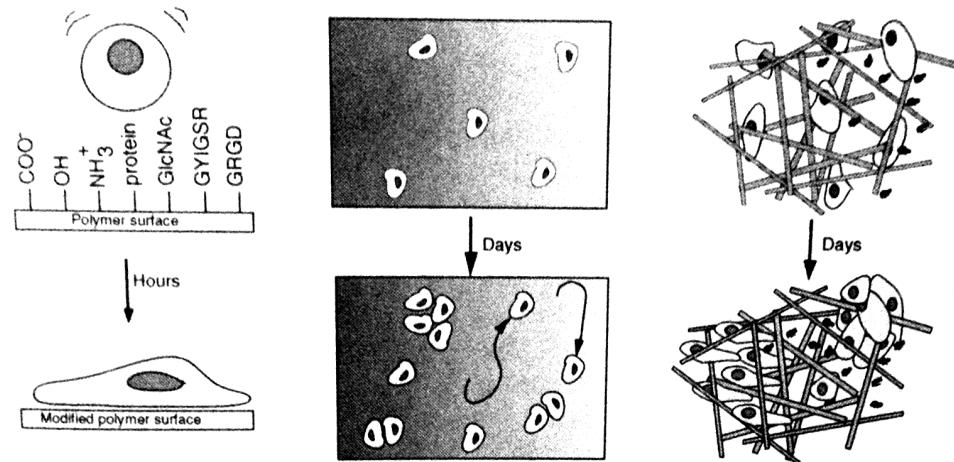


- Polymers – since 1800
- Polyamides, polyesters, polyethylene – since 1930s

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# Biomaterial advances (cont.)

## ■ Development



Adhesion  
spreading  
function

Growth  
motility  
orientation

Aggregation  
orientation

# Biomaterial uses

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- Artificial hip, heart, skin
- Prosthetics
- Catheters
- Coating pacemaker leads
- Contact lens
- Drug delivery
- Dentures
- Sutures

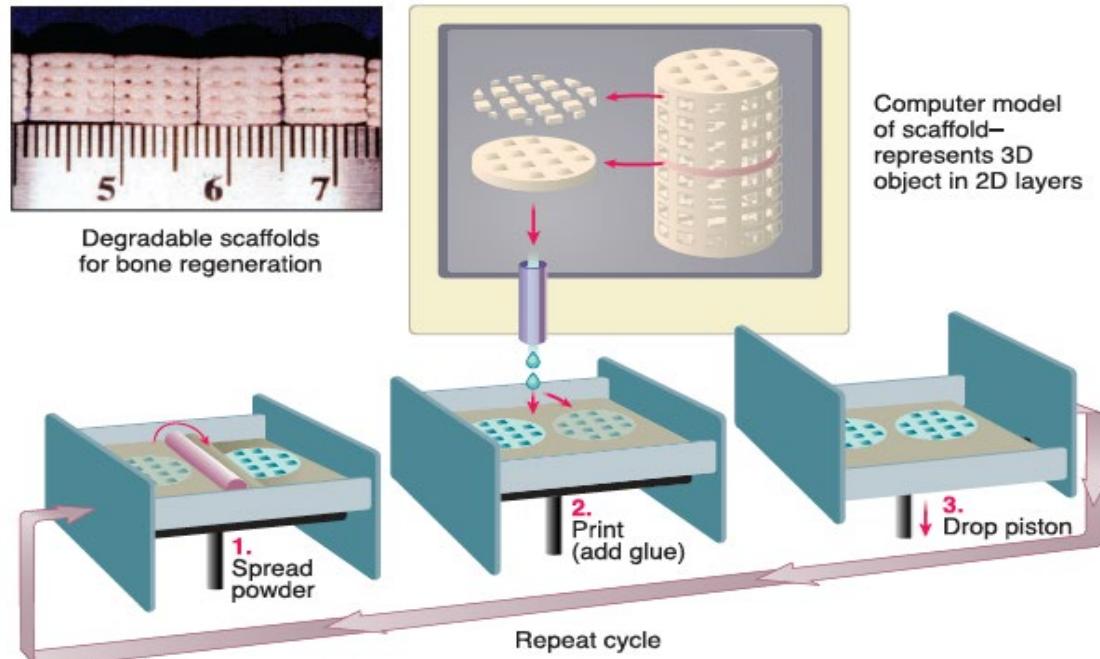
# Biomaterial example

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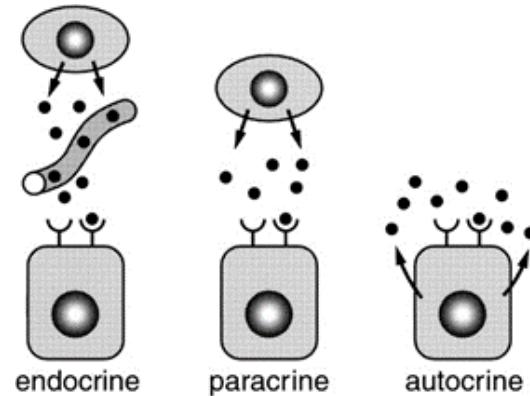
## ■ 3D Printing



# Advances - signals

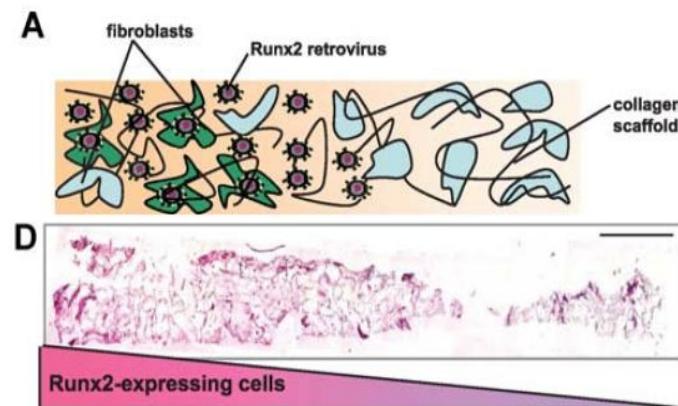
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1. Biochemical
  - Growth factors, hormones, etc.
2. Physical
  - Stretch, electrical impulses, pH, etc.



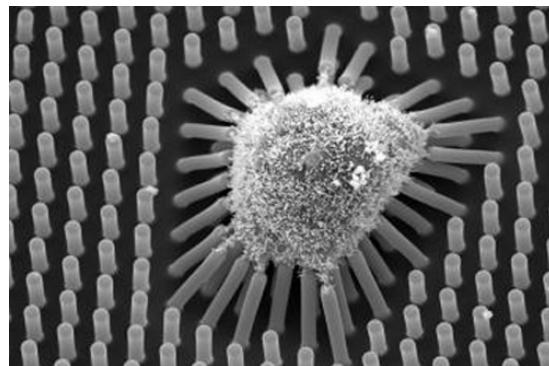
# Advances – signals (cont.)

- *Bio chemical*



Spatially regulated gene modification

- *Bio mechanical*



Mechanically regulation of stem cell fate



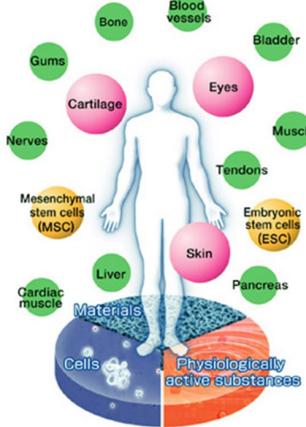
# What have we done so far?

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- We can outlive our organs
- Our bodies live with organs, cells, and genes of another
- We manipulate protein function, cell function and fate
- Safety? Efficiency?

# What have we accomplished?

- 96 case studies for tissue engineering
- 120 case studies for cell engineering



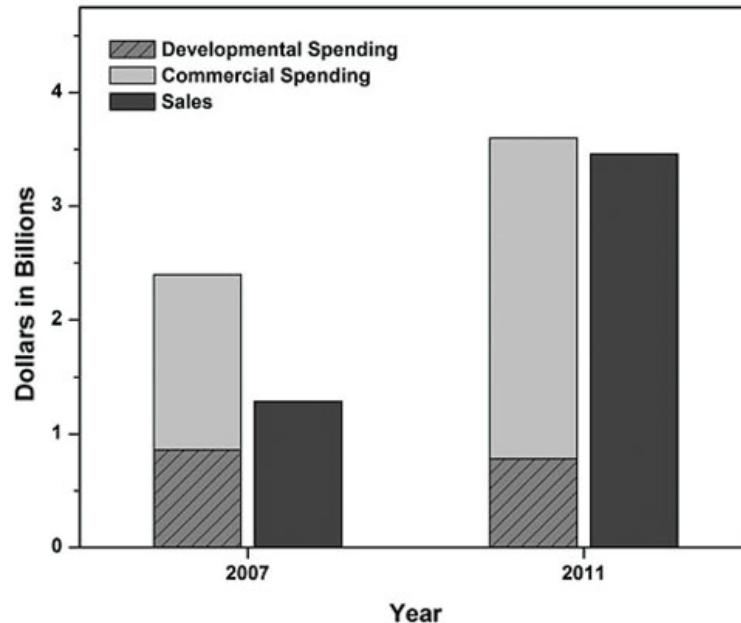
## Examples

Hair follicle regeneration	Rheumatoid arthritis
Spinal fusion	A-V shunt
Bone, cartilage, ligament reconstruction (face, knee, leg..)	Leukemia
Liver regeneration	Parkinson's Disease
Multiple sclerosis	Renal Failure
Diabetic ulcers	Stroke
Respiratory defects	Heart failure
Glaucoma	Brain lesion
Sickle cell anemia	Marfan Syndrome

# What's next?

- Move cell and tissue engineered products out of the lab and into the patient
- Scale it up!

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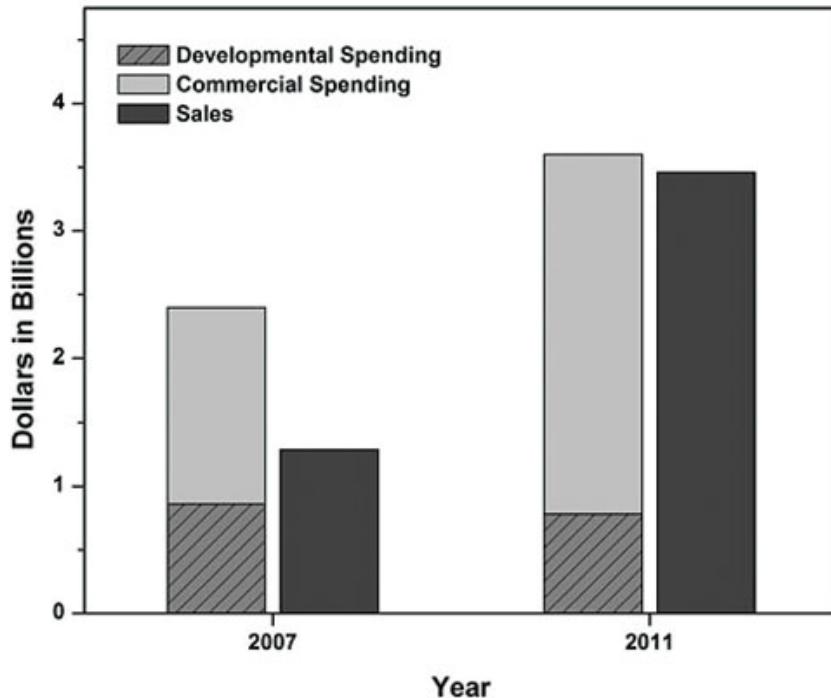


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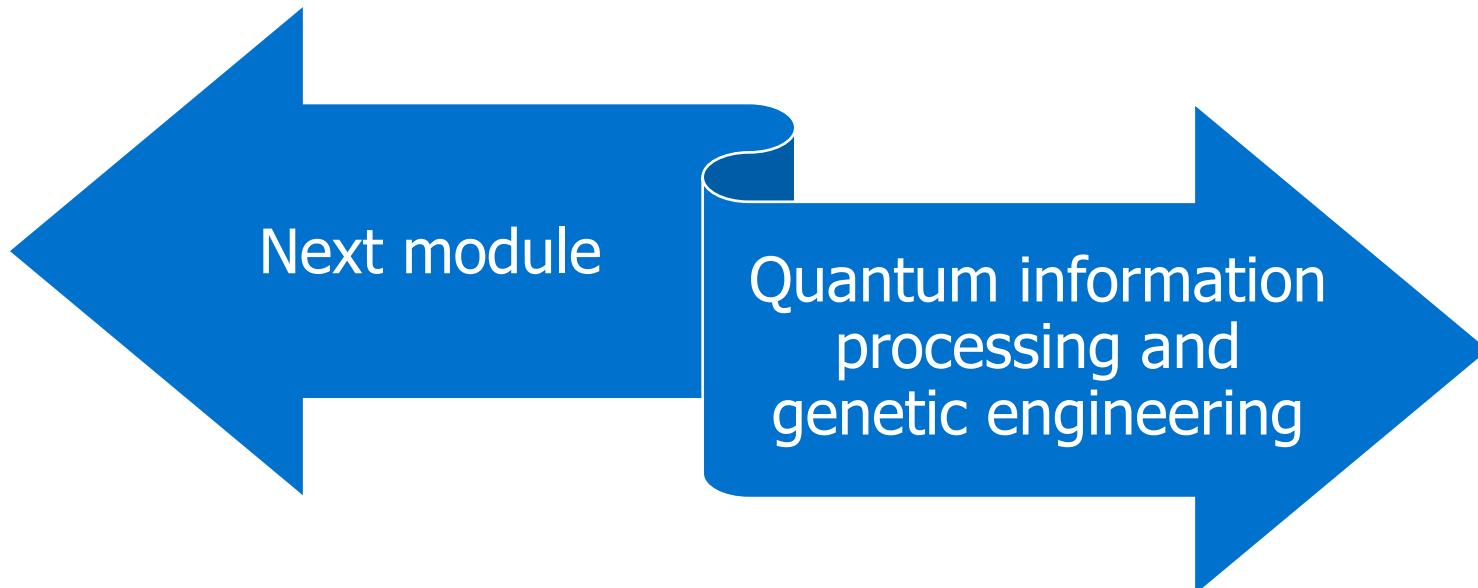
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