# 皮毛之道及其應用: 幹細胞,秃髮,及演化

Cheng-Ming Chuong, M.D., Ph.D. 鍾正明

Department of Pathology, Keck School of Medicine, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA 90033 cmchuong@usc.edu

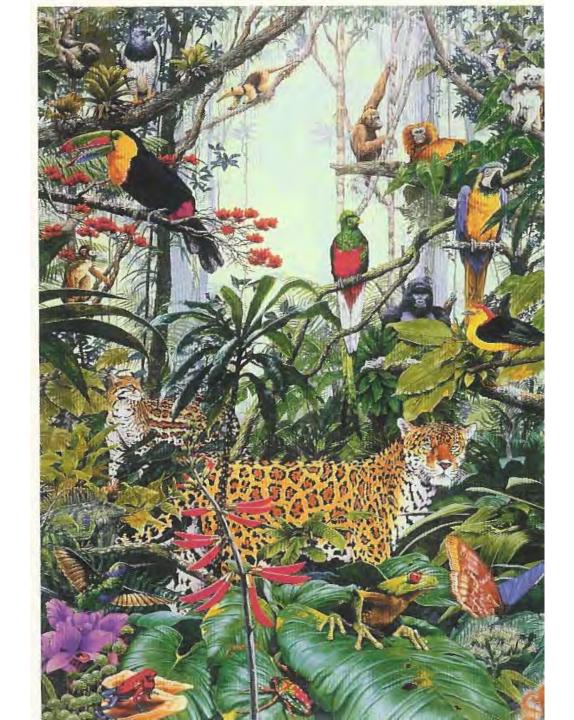
http://www-hsc.usc.edu/~cmchuong

中央研究院院士 臺灣大學榮譽研究講座教授及 發育與再生醫學研究中心榮譽主任

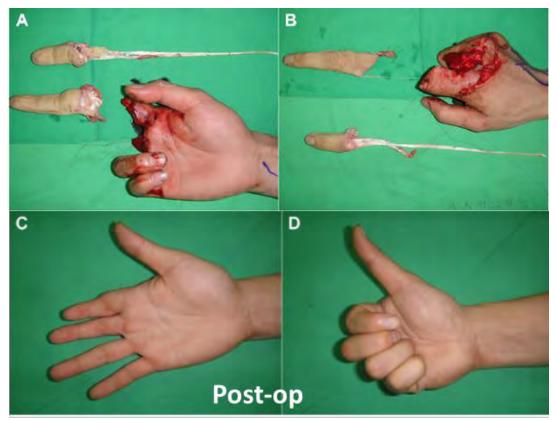
# **Integumentary organs:**

體表器官為個體與 大自然的介面

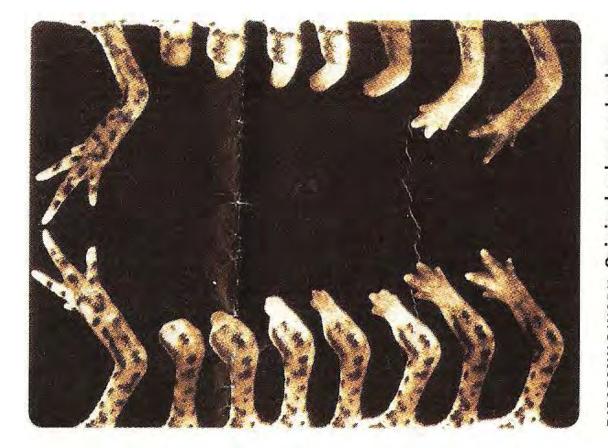
Interface between organisms and environment



## Regeneration versus Repair

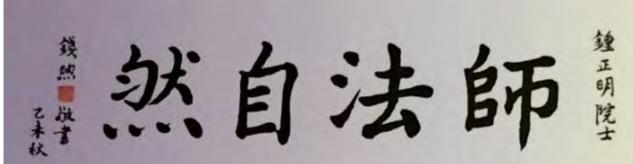


If salamander and lizard can regenerate appendages, why human can not?



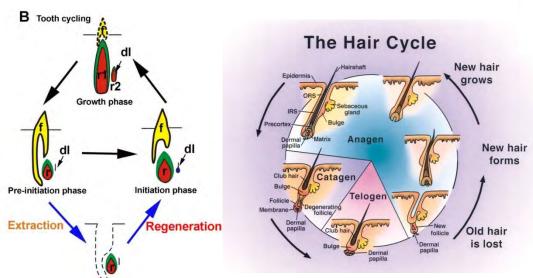


# Our approach



1. Can animals regenerate certain organs?
(再生生物學)

2. How do they regenerate? (再生之道)



3. Can human learn some of this ability and use it in medicine? (再生醫學)





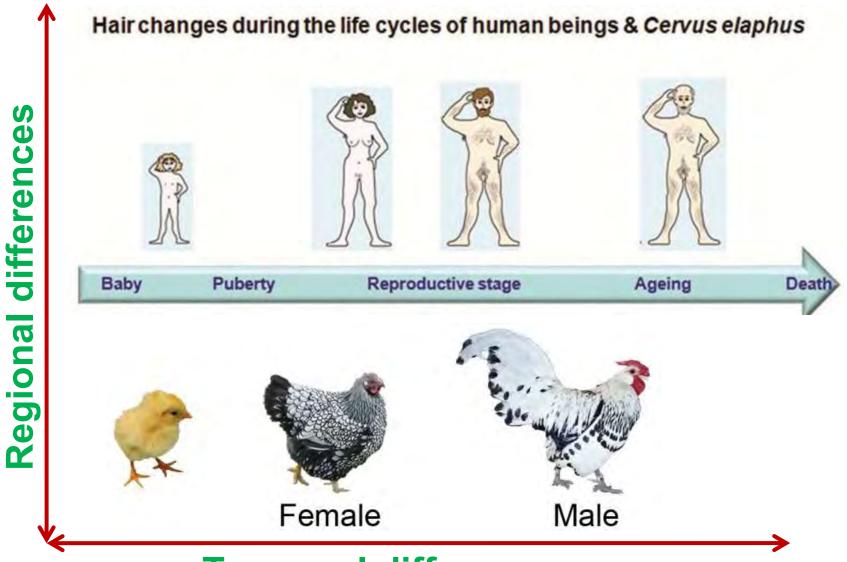


**Function of feathers:** 

endothermy, flight, communication

Same follicle
Different feather types

### Physiological regeneration



### **Temporal differences**

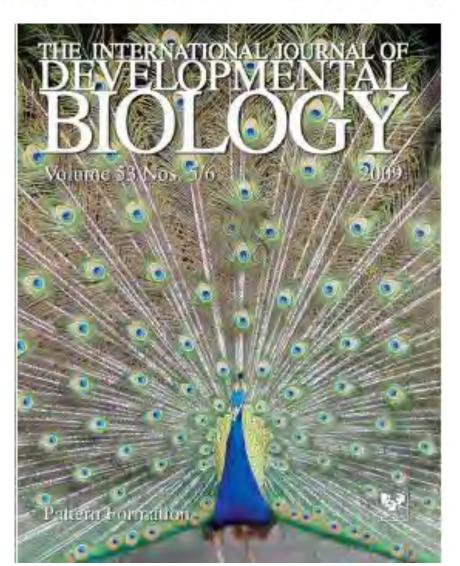
Chuong, V. Randall, ....Widelitz, 2012. Physiology.

## The "tao" of integuments

皮毛之道

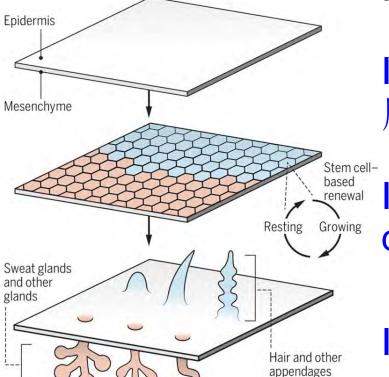
Lai and Chuong, 2016, Science

Hair follicle and sweat gland fates can be switched by morphogens at specific skin regions or developmental stages





Periodic patterning enables the formation of complex yet adaptable inte



. Periodic pattering

II. Cyclic Renewal 周而復始

III. Temporal & Spatial diversification多樣化

IV. In one individual or in evolving species

STEM CELLS

# Aging, alopecia, and stem cells Lei and Chuong, 2016,

Intrinsic epigenetic status and extrinsic environmental factors affect hair follicle stem cells

Science,

### 南極仙翁 福祿壽圖

INSIGHTS | PERSPECTIVES Telogen (rest) Anagen (growth) Epithelium The longer the hair Activating factors for stem cells Inhibiting factors for stem cells During aging, the telogen phase of the Intrinsic hair cycle becomes dominant β-catenin Foxc1, Nfatc1, Lhx2, TCF3/4, Sox9, Tbx1 Extrinsic COL17A1, Wnts

Hair growth and aging. Renewal capacity of the hair cycle decreases with aging. Intrinsic and extrinsic factors affect hair follicle stem cells. During aging, there is a shift from an activator-dominant to an inhibitor-dominant environment



The longer the growth phase, Dermal papilla

# Outline 鳥瞰之旅

- 1. Alopecia
- 2. Evolution (feather, beak)
- 3. Wound regeneration
- 4. Visual based cognition

秃髮

演化

幹細胞再生

對美的認知

### I wish I can have more hairs!

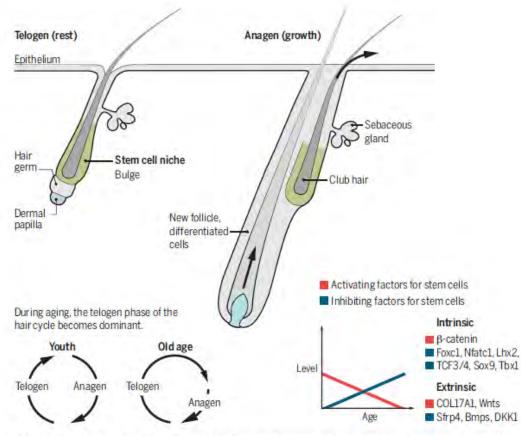
Male pattern baldness (雄性秃) is a stem cell disease



Propecia or Finasteride, prevent testosterone conversion Rogaine or Minoxidil, vasodilation via K+ channel opening

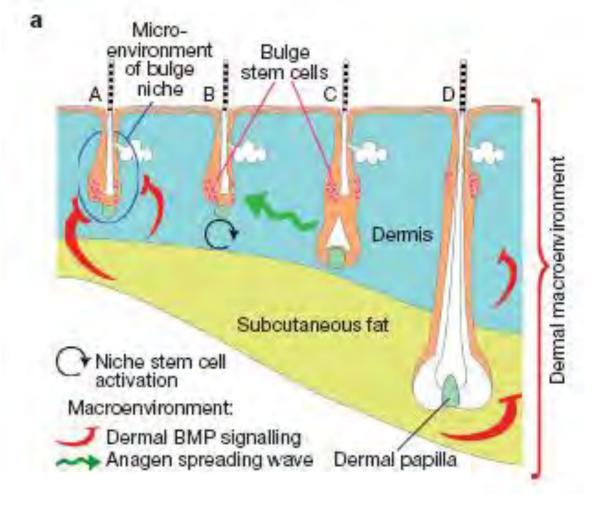
Hair transplantation

### INSIGHTS | PERSPECTIVES



Hair growth and aging. Renewal capacity of the hair cycle decreases with aging. Intrinsic and extrinsic factors affect hair follicle stem cells. During aging, there is a shift from an activator-dominant to an inhibitor-dominant environment.

Lei and Chuong, 2016, Aging, Alopecia and Stem Cells, Science, 351:559-

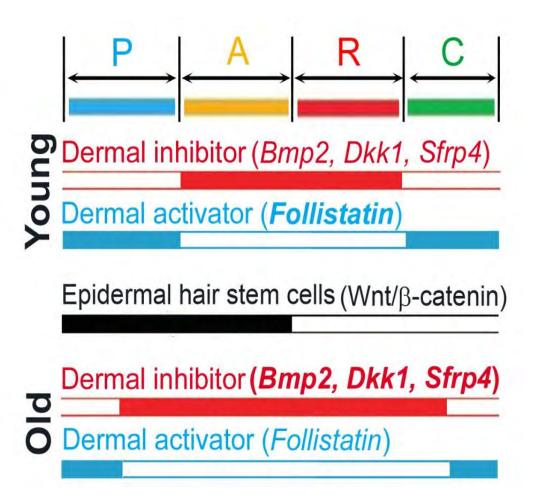


Plikus et al., 2008, Nature 2011, Science

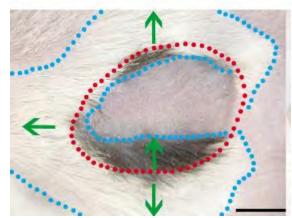


### Aging: Changes of stem cells or local environment?

Old mice show slower regenerative hair wave









陳志強 CC Chen et al., 2014 J Invest Dermatol Dermatologist, Taipei VA Hospital

Old mouse hair regeneration can be rescued when the skin is transplanted to young mouse



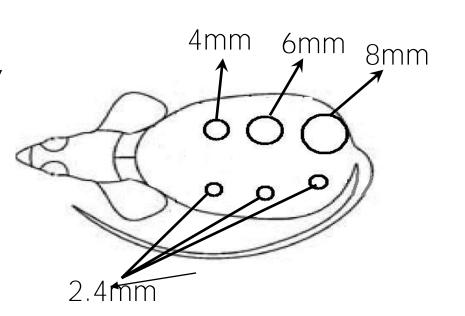


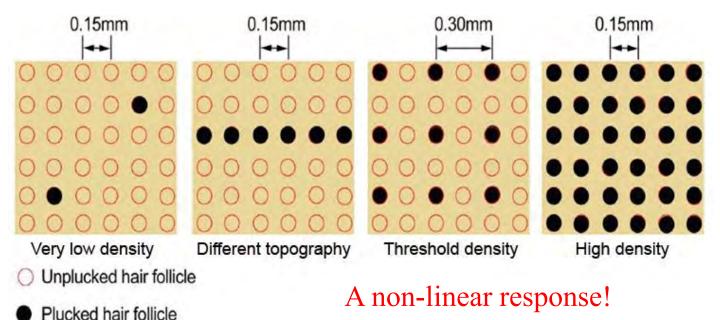
Peacock, LA aboretum, late March

Bison, Yellowstone, winter



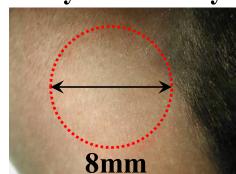
### How to pluck 200 hairs and get 1000 hair follicles activated via activation of the extra-follicle dermal environment?



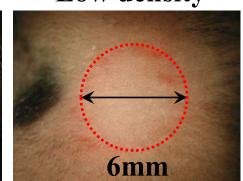


Chen et al. 2015 Cell

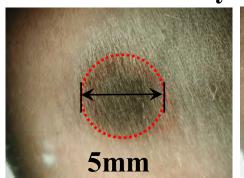
Very low density



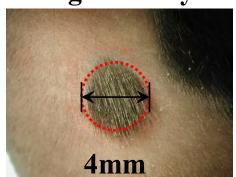
Low density



**Threshold density** 



High density



**Quorum Sensing** dictates organ regeneration

## Organ-level quorum sensing

(群體感應)

directs regeneration in hair stem cell populations

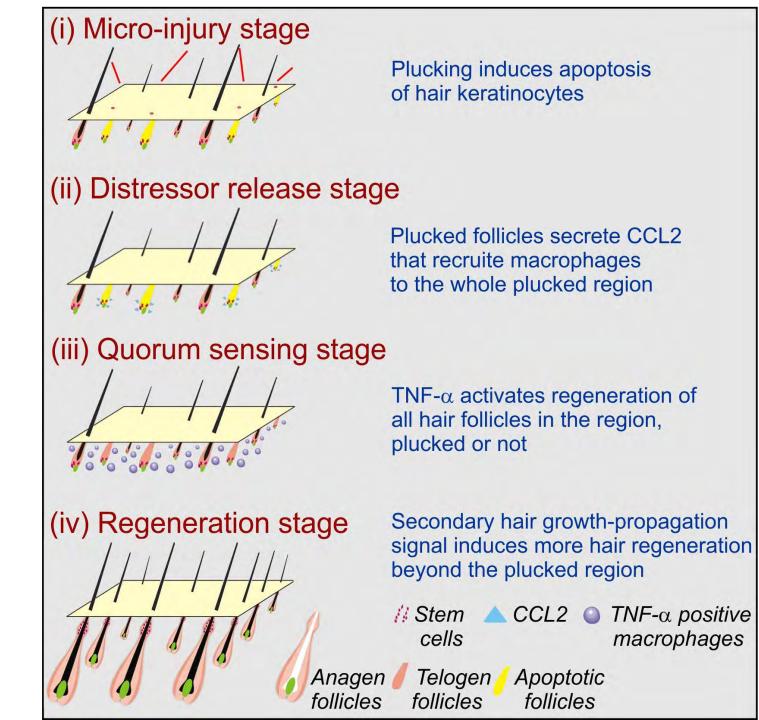
Immune environment conducive for regeneration

### Two step process:

cytokine macrophage

Chen et al, 2015, CELL

Song Tao Shi, MSC immunology, U Penn Arthur Lander, Systems Bio Ctr, UC Irvine



# **Outline**

- 1. Alopecia
- 2. Evolution (feather, beak)
- 3. Wound regeneration
- 4. Visual based cognition

秃髮

演化

幹細胞再生

對美的認知

### **Variation:**

Single element

**Population of elements** 

Rosetta stone to decipher the language of morphogenesis



### **BREAKTHROUGH OF THE YEAR (2014): The Birth of Birds**





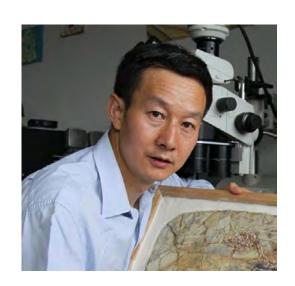
Science 2014

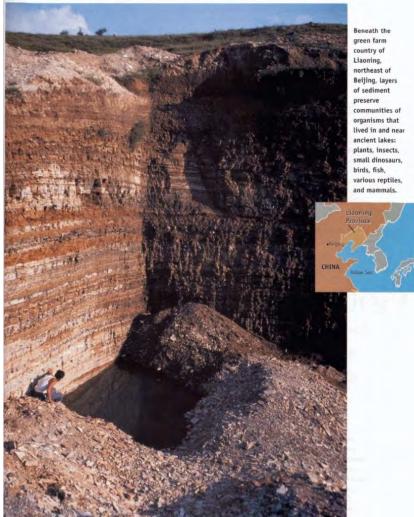
**AVIAN EVOLUTION** 

# An integrative approach to understanding bird origins

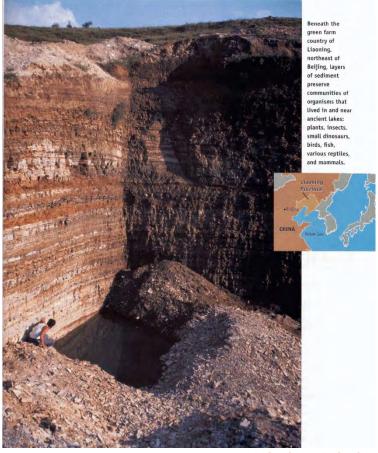
Xing Xu, Zhonghe Zhou, Robert Dudley, Susan Mackem, Cheng-Ming Chuong, Gregory M. Erickson, David J. Varricchio







Jehol Biota, ~ 120-130 million years ago

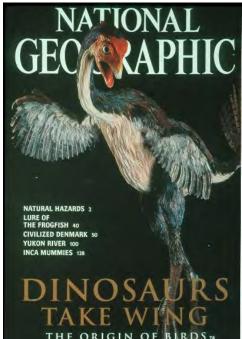


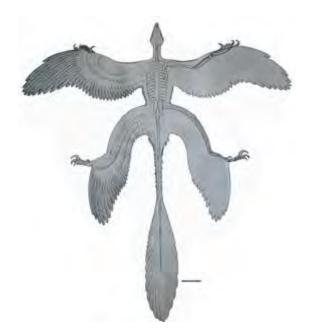
Jehol Biota, ~ 120-130
million years ago
Sinosaurpteryx
(one kind of theropod)

Caudipteryx

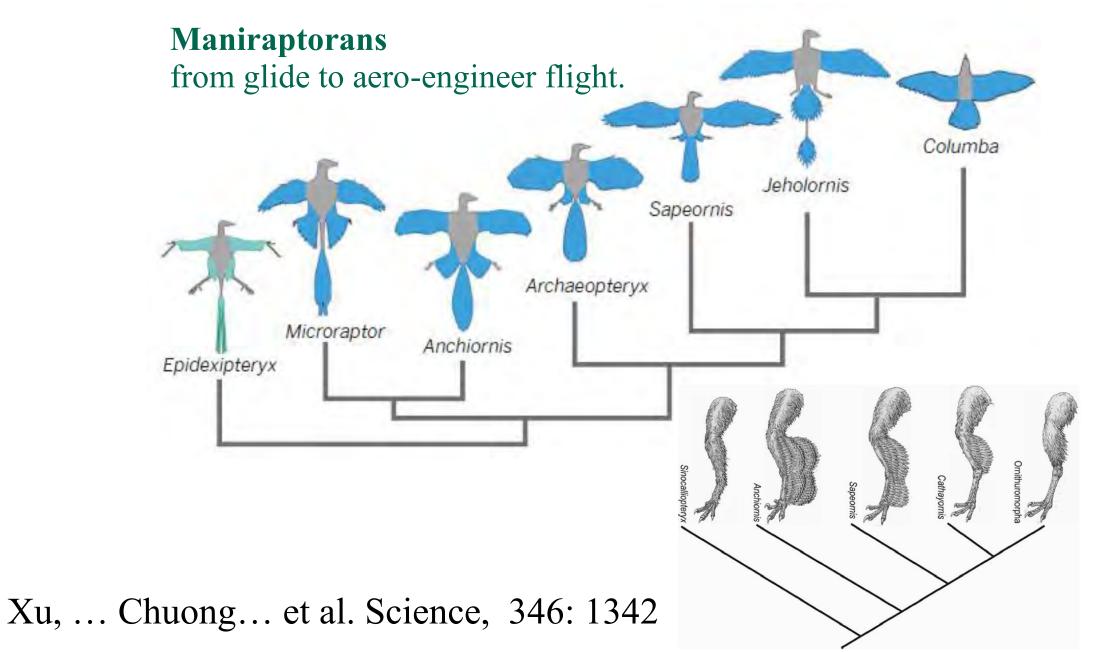
4-winged dinosaurs (microraptor)



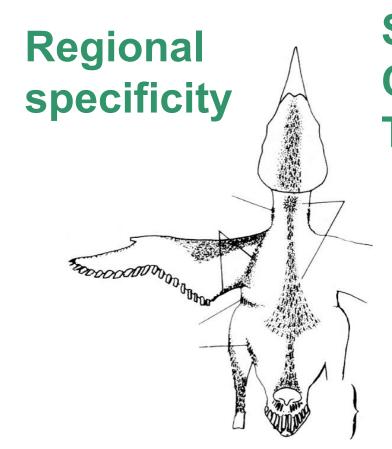




# Evolution of Flights



### Feather shapes differ in different tracts

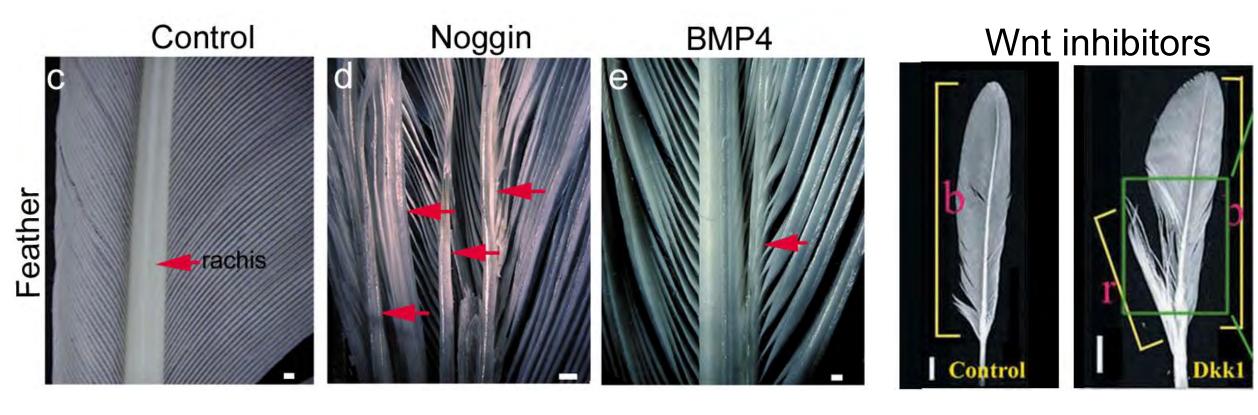


Shape, Color, Texture, Barb Rachis Plumulaceous barbule Calamus 1.0 mm Flight Downy Contour feather feather feather

Yu et al., 2002. Nature Yue et al., 2005, *Nature*, Yue et al., 2006, *PNAS*, Radial symmetry; Bilateral symmetry, Asymmetry

Chuong ...M Bissell, 2014, Cell Li et al., 2017, Nature Communication

# Examples of feather form perturbation via virus mediated gene mis-expression



**Patterning branches** 

**Bilateral vs Radial symmetry** 

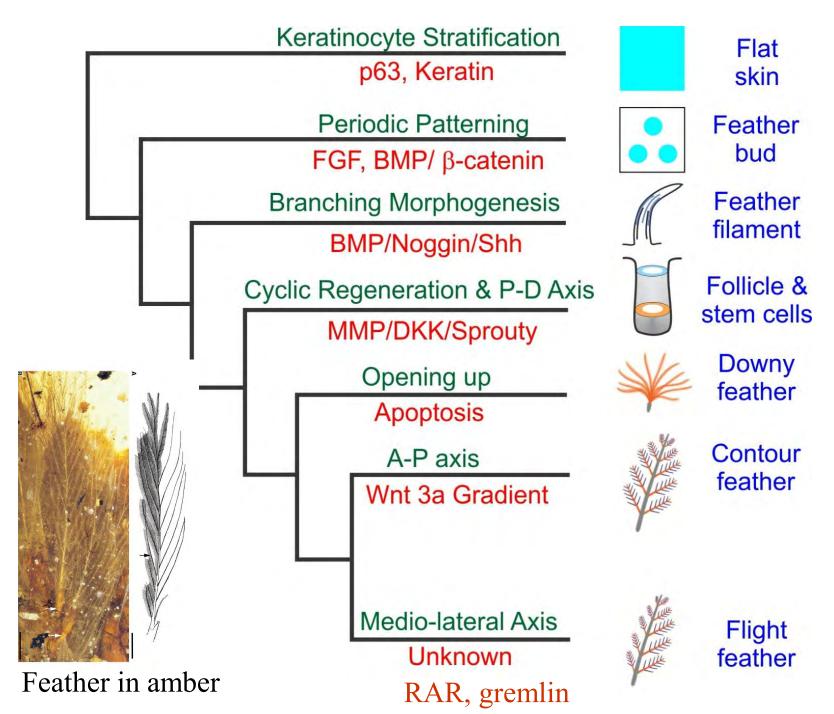
# Stepwise Evolution of Feathers

### **Function of feathers:**

Endothermy, Flight, Communication

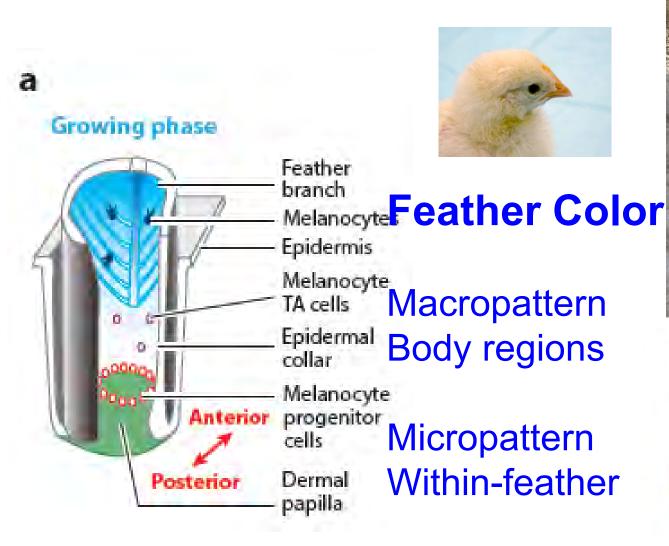
## The Origin of Birds

Xu ...Chuong.... Science 2014

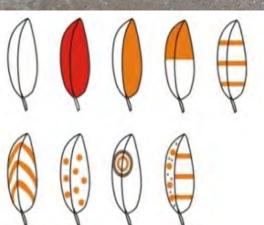


Topology of feather melanocyte progenitors niche allows

complex pigment patterns to emerge





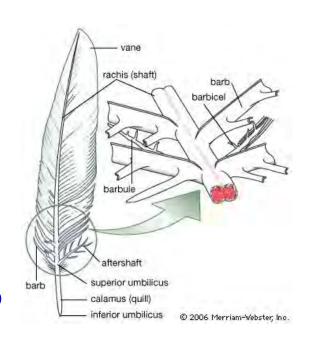




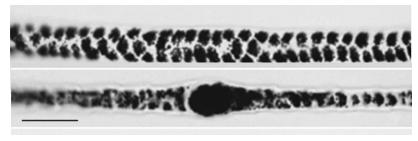
Jerry Lin, NTU Science, 2013, 林頌然

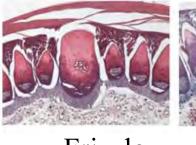
# **Feather Texure**

# Frizzle Chicken Mutation in Keratin 75



G Ng, P Wu, J Foley, ...., WH Li, CM Chuong, 2012, PLOS Genetics



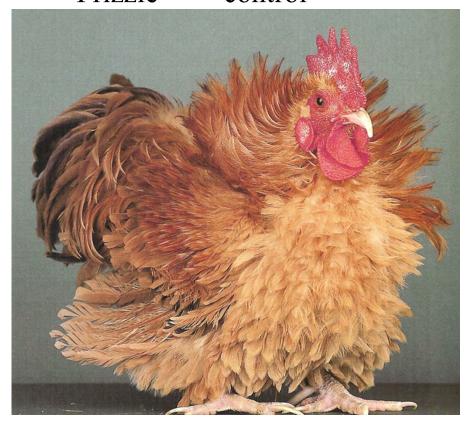




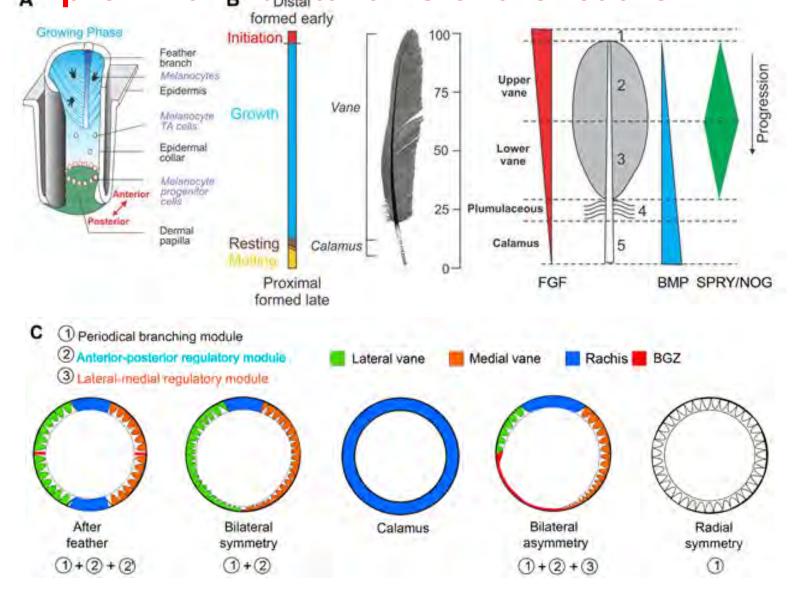
Defective Medulla

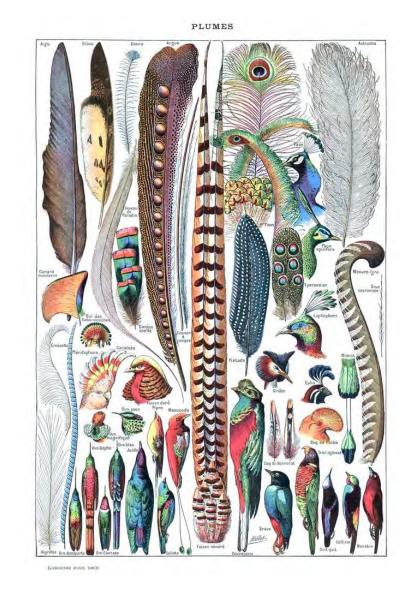
Frizzle

control



Mouse K75 mutant J Chen ... D Roop, 2008, JID Human peudo-folliculitis barbae H Winter, 2004, JID K75, enamel and dental decay, O Duverger ..M Morasso, 2014,JCI Temporal events are *projected* on the proximal **B** distal axis of the feather





Stem cells respond to landscapes of signaling activities

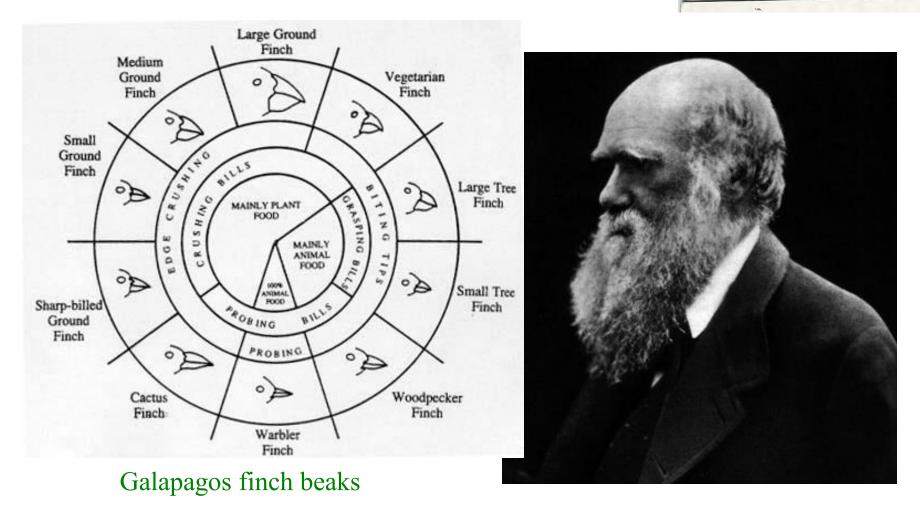
Commentary in Science (305:1383, Sept. 2004)

on Tabin and Chuong's work of beak morphogenesis:

Darwin would be pleased.

**Scientific American (Taiwan edition)** 

達爾文也微笑





Galapagos Islands

## Darwin's finch



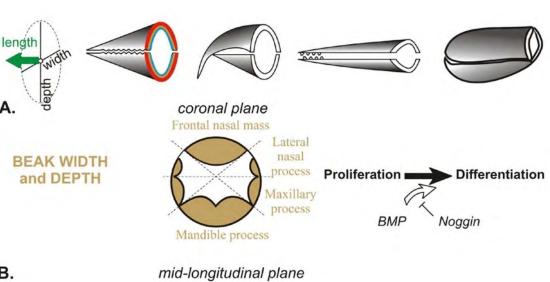
Younger ---- Older

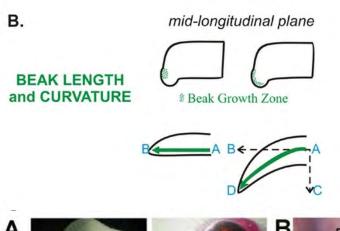


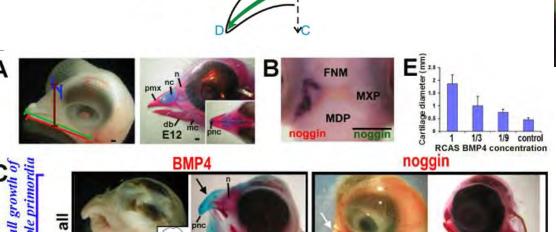
Organ ng shaping by regulating the number, size, position, & duration 將雞喙化爲自然界中各種鳥喙形狀

Wu et al., 2004, Science

### **Molecular Shaping of the Organ**









# Macroevolution of avian beaks

Heterochronic truncation of odontogenesis

PNAS, Wang et al., 2017, Sept 25 Collaboration with Xing Xu group

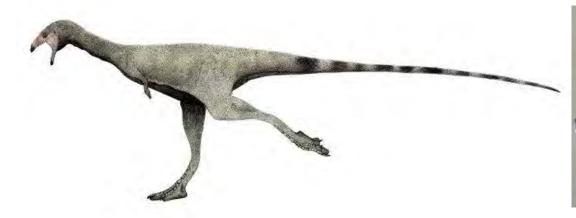
# The New York Times

Sept 26, 2017 Limusaurus, a theopod, Tooth in young (right), Beak in adult

# Discover.

September 26, 2017

Beak Evolution Gives New Insight Into the Beginning of Birds

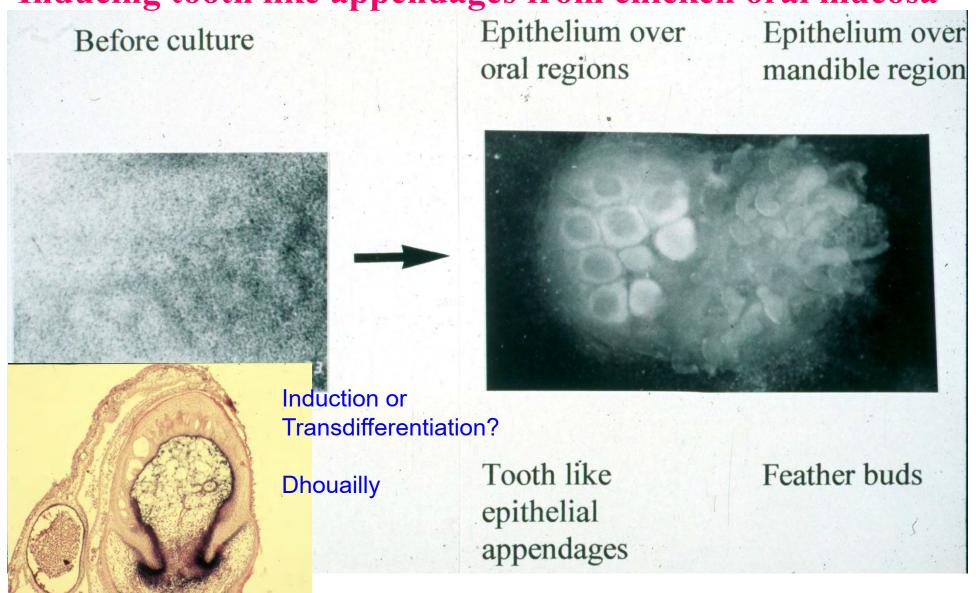






## 雞牙復生

Inducing tooth like appendages from chicken oral mucosa

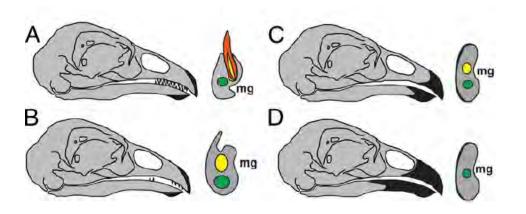


Chen, et al., 2000. PNAS 97: 10044,

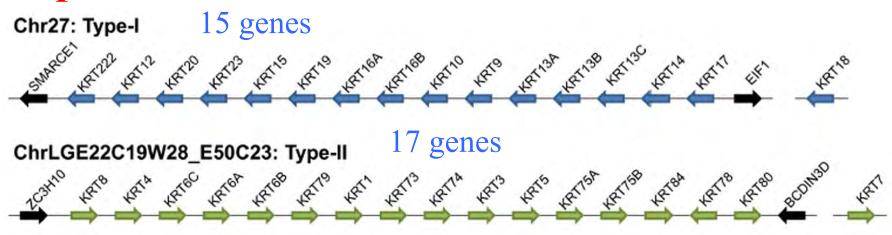
### B **Beak Development** E20 E Molecular Perturbation E11 control **E11 BMP4** E11 noggin Ectopic Beak ub ub ub Ib Ib Ib **E12 BMP4** E12 BMP4 E12 control

# Macroevolution of avian beaks

Initiation of beak keratin to form horny sheath



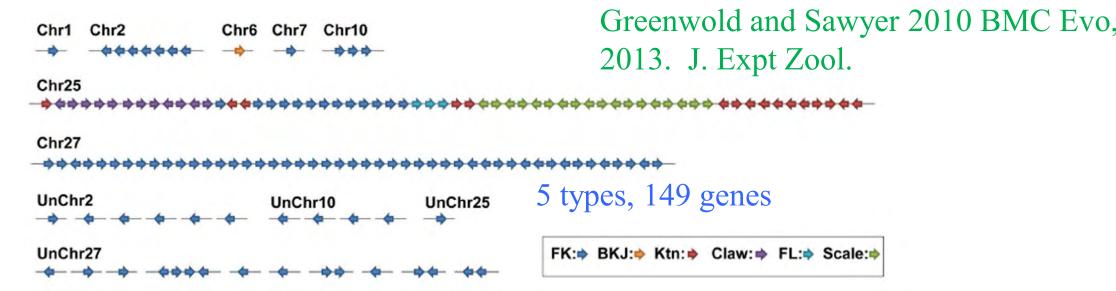
### Alpha keratin



Ng, Wu, ....Chuong, Li. 2014.

Genome Biology and Evolution

### Beta keratin



# **Outline**

- 1. Alopecia
- 2. Evolution (feather, beak)
- 3. Wound regeneration
- 4. Visual based cognition

秃髮

演化

幹細胞再生

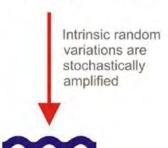
對美的認知

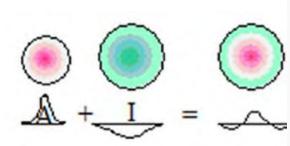
## A SELF ORGANIZING MODELS Reaction Diffusion, Competition

The Turing Model Comes of Molecular Age

Maini, Baker & Chuong, 2006. Science

Start from a homogenous state





### Competition is modulated by

- Properties of cell membrane
- Physicochemical properties of extracellular matrix

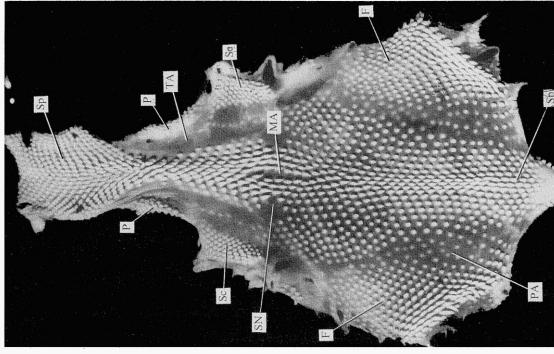
Concentration of Activators/inhibitors



Dimension of the field

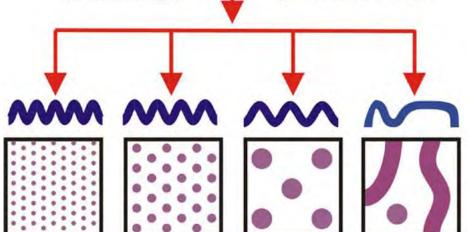
Activators: FGF, Wnt, etc.

Inhibitor: BMP, Wnt antagonists, etc.



Developing feather buds and branches Embryonic chicken skin, Shh

Turing activator / inhibitor, Jung et al., 1998, Dev. Biol. Self-organization, Jiang et al., 1999, Development

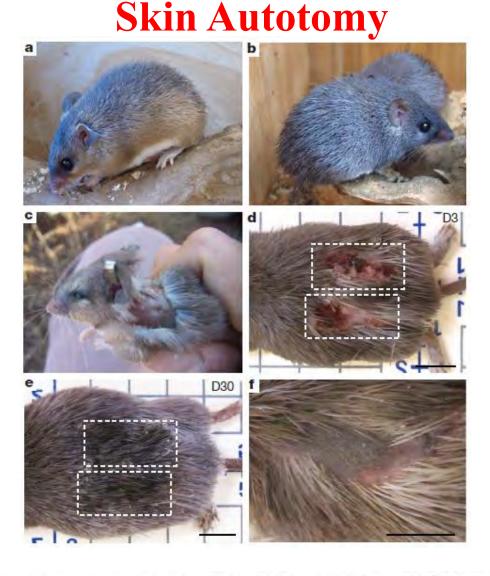


An equilibrated status is achieved

## Repair versus Regeneration



Ito,.. Cotsarelis, Nature, 2007

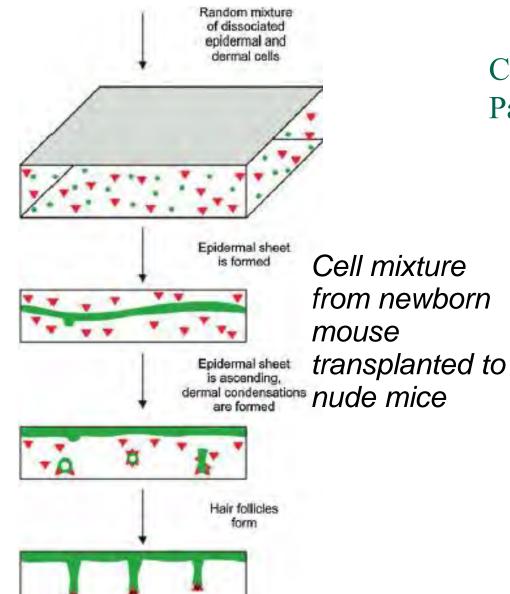


Skin shedding and tissue regeneration in African spiny mice (*Acomys*) Nature, 2012, Seifert ... Maden et al

Ashley W. Seifert<sup>1,2,3</sup>, Stephen G. Kiama<sup>2</sup>, Megan G. Seifert<sup>1,3</sup>, Jacob R. Goheen<sup>3,4</sup>, Todd M. Palmer<sup>1,3</sup> & Malcolm Maden<sup>1</sup>

## Dissociated Epidermal cells

#### Mesenchymal cells



## Rebuilding patterns after wounding

Planar hair formation leads to reconstituted skin

Chamber assay, Lichti .. Yuspa, 1995, JID, Patch assay, Zheng .. Stenn, 2005, JID





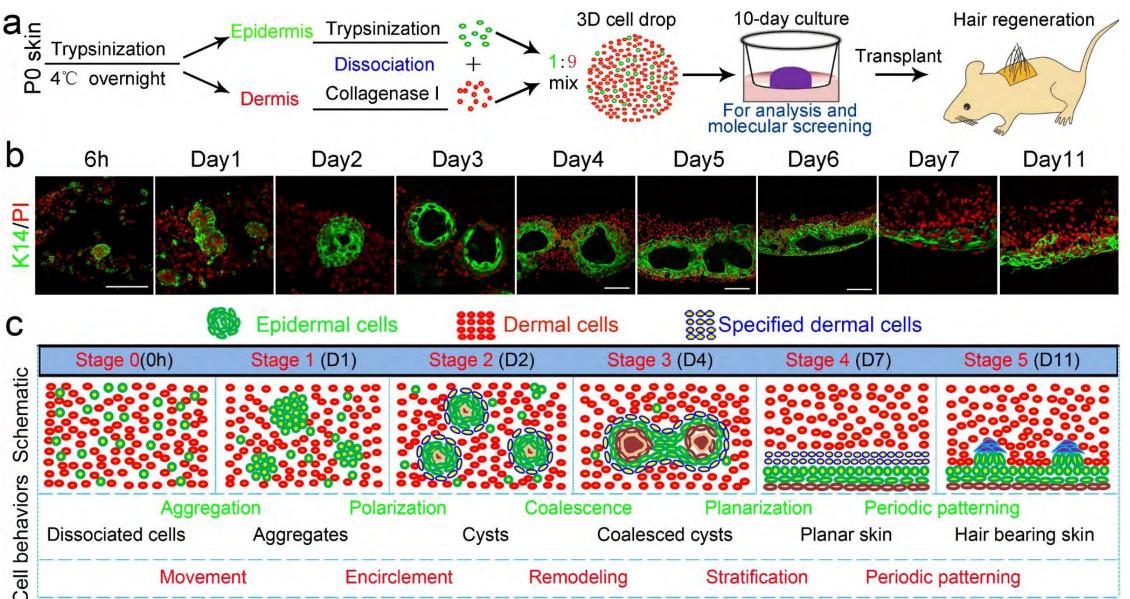


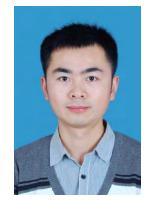
Lee et al.,2011, Tissue Engineering



Plastic surgeon Resident, USC

## Self-organizing behavior of skin Organoids





Mason Lei 2017... PNAS

## **Outline**

- 1. Alopecia
- 2. Evolution (feather)
- 3. Wound regeneration
- 4. Visual based cognition

秃髮

演化

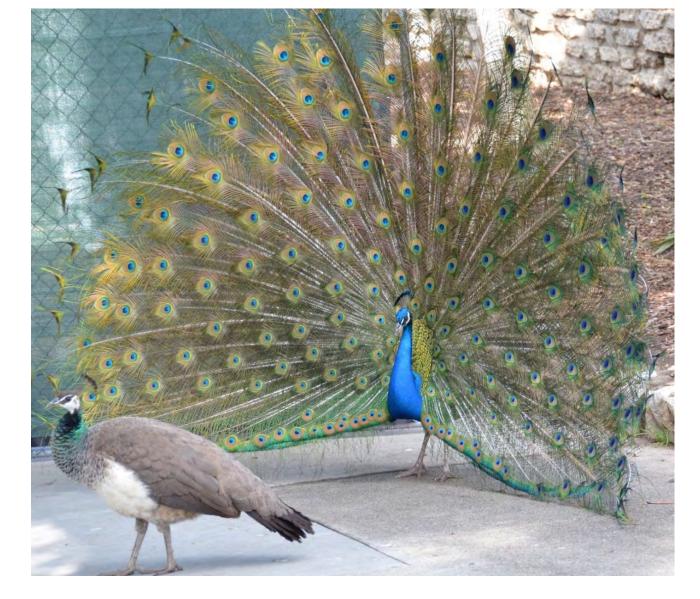
幹細胞再生

對美的認知

# **Organization principles of integumentary Organs:**

- I. Periodic pattering
- II. Cyclic Renewal 周而復始
- III. Temporal & Spatial diversification多樣化

IV. In one individua or in evolving species



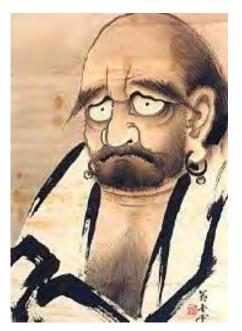
## A special issue on **Pattern Formation**

Chuong CM & Richardson MR edit, 2009, special issue Int J Dev. Biol. Vol 53.

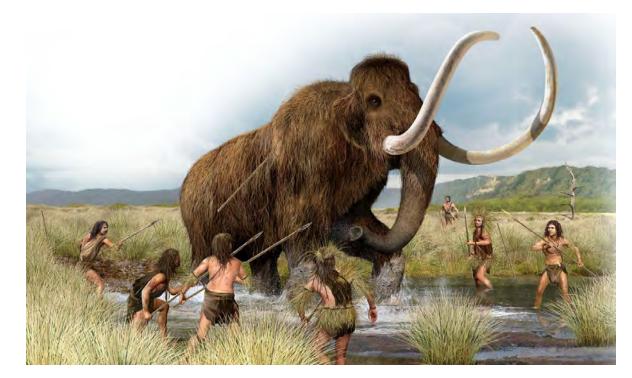












# The evolution of the face and cognition of patterns

Regional patterning Regional specificity



Venus of Hohle Fels, ~35,000 yrs ago,



Venus of Willendorf ~25,000 yrs ago,

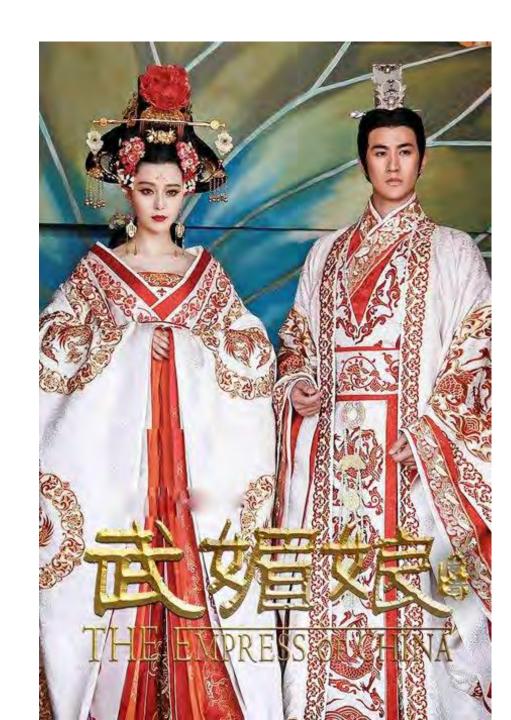
Botticelli, *The Birth of Venus*, ~500 yrs ago













## 烏頭翁, 白頭翁

### **Communication**

龍門計劃:

台灣大學中興大學 中興大學 張芳嘉, 唐品琦. 于宏燦,

Visual based cognition

Mating choice

**Speciation** 

**Evolution** 



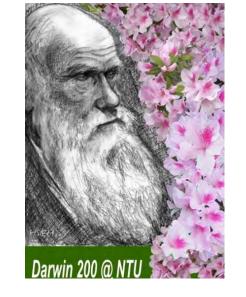
台大發育再生中心邀請南加大講座教授 Scott Fraser (左一)至台大訪問。

左二:楊泮池校長,鍾正明,楊偉勛主任,謝豐舟教授。

### 謝豐舟

### 1972 台大醫科畢業, 台灣大學名譽教授

- Renaissance Man: Physician, Educator, Scholar, Curator, Painter, Entrepreneur
- Midwife for the birth of:
  - Research Center of Neurobiology and Cognitive Science (2005),
     Bioinformatics and Systems Biology
     Developmental Biology and Regenerative Medicine (2010),
  - Dragon gate project
- Curator: NTU Azalea Art Festival (2006-2010), 台大杜鵑花文創,











Nov. 2

7:30PM THU.

Flint Center, Cupertino, CA Nov.4

7:30PM SAT.

Copley Symphony Hall, San Diego, CA • Price 30, 55, 70, 85, 200

· Groups Of 10+ / 10% off

 Groups Of 20+ / 20% off
 Tickets available at ticketmaster.com

ticketmaster

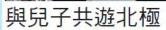


### 《景福醫訊》in press,

## 兩 極 歸 來

圖文/沈慰萍、鍾正明











北極圈由美蘇。加拿大,格陵蘭,挪威等國環繞



冰河入海



北極熊母子在享用被漂流到岸邊的白鲸屍體



成群游泳的海象,複雜的鬍鬚幫助他們水中識物







密密麻麻棲息在高層岩壁的海鳥

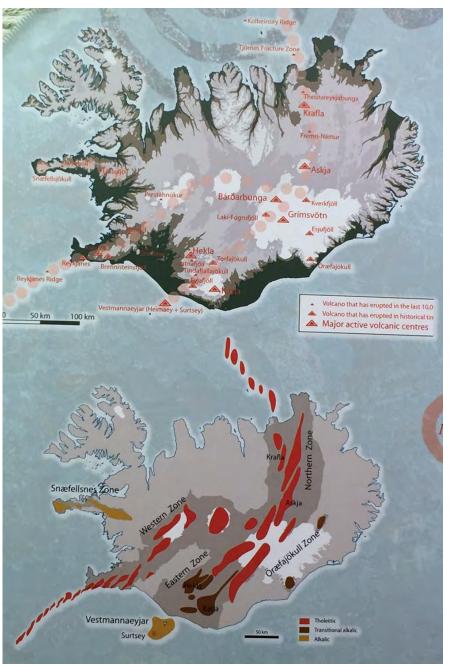


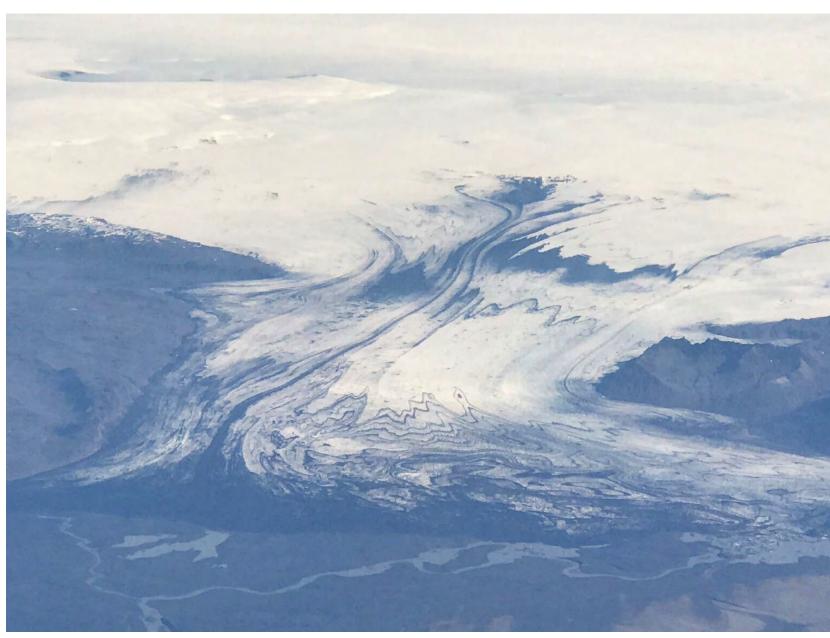






海冰環繞在Svalbard 群島旁







這個冰山呈現奇特規則像蜂窩般的形狀是由水流沖擊形成

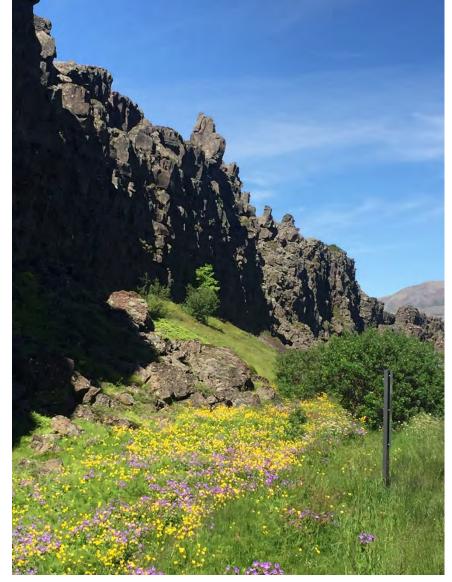




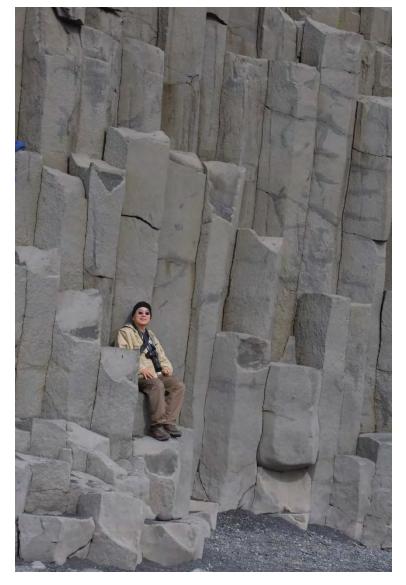


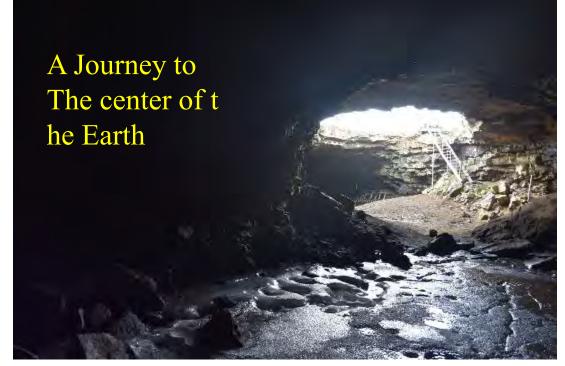




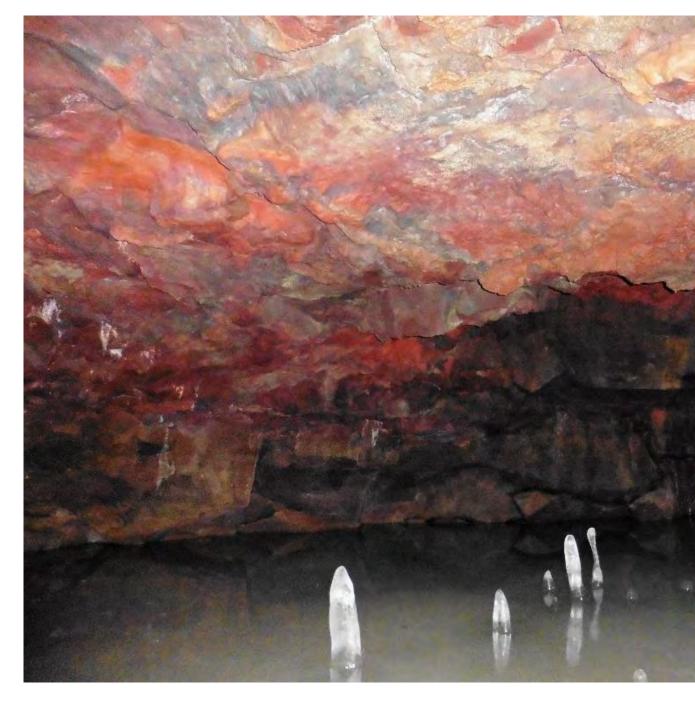














Drake Passage 南美南端到南極半岛



Pass Drake strait from south Argentina to arrive in the serene Antarctica











**頰帶企**鵝輪流登台展現歌喉









Thewissen



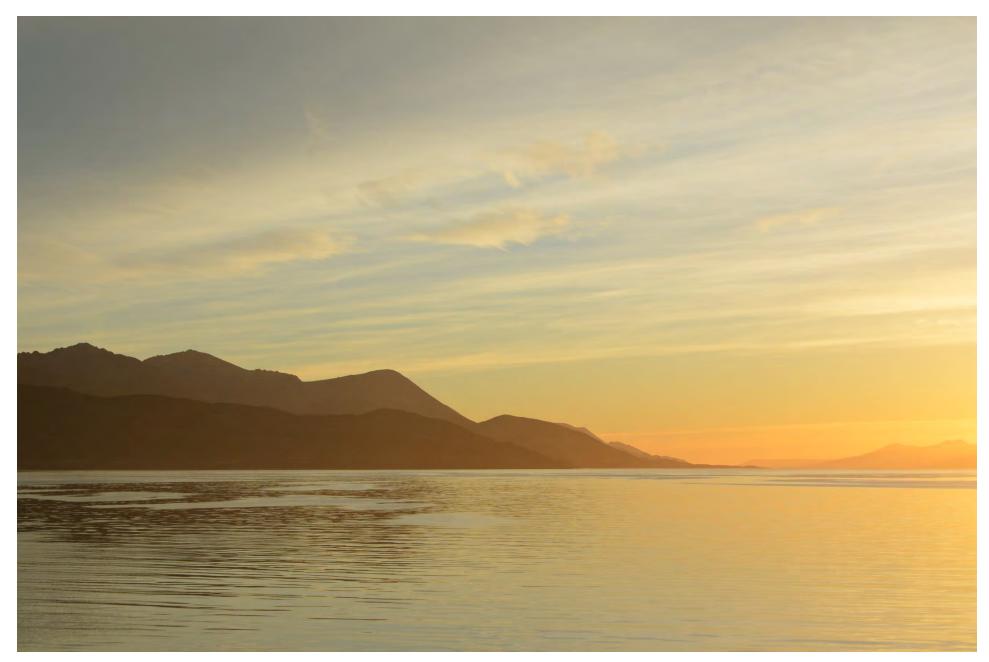




Tabular Icebergs



Low angle light reflect on different surfaces



A sunset in Antarctica



圖文/沈慰萍、鍾正明