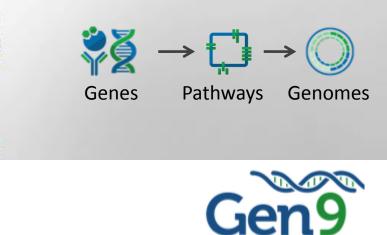
#### Synthetic Biology: A Perspective On Its Potential In Regenerative Medicine

Kevin Munnelly, President and CEO, Gen9 Stem Cells & Regenerative Medicine Congress September 15, 2014



#### **Shameless Self Promotion**

20+ years in pharmaceuticals, life science tools and molecular diagnostics









#### **Board Member**



Providing functional water soluble variants of any GPCR or membrane protein

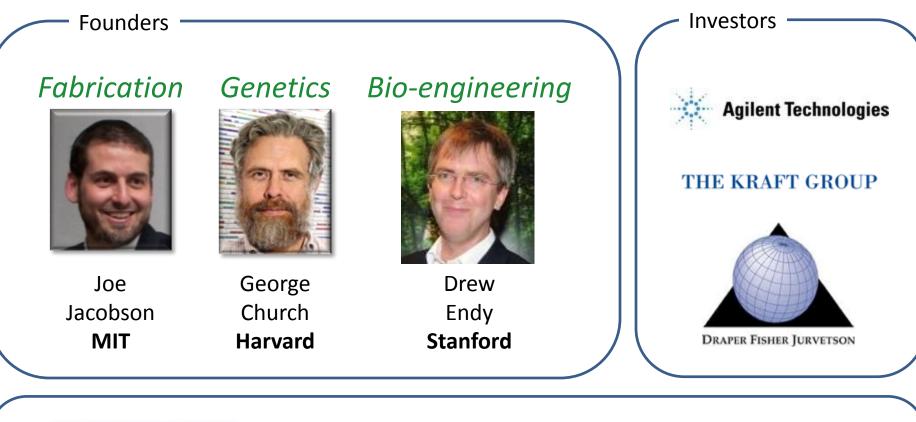


Fast, accurate, inexpensive gene sequencing using molecular motion



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#### Gen9 – Synthesizing the Future

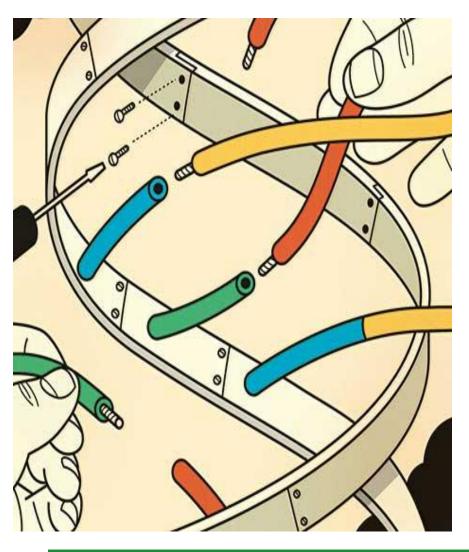




Founded 2009 35 Employees Located in Cambridge, MA, USA



#### What is Synthetic Biology?

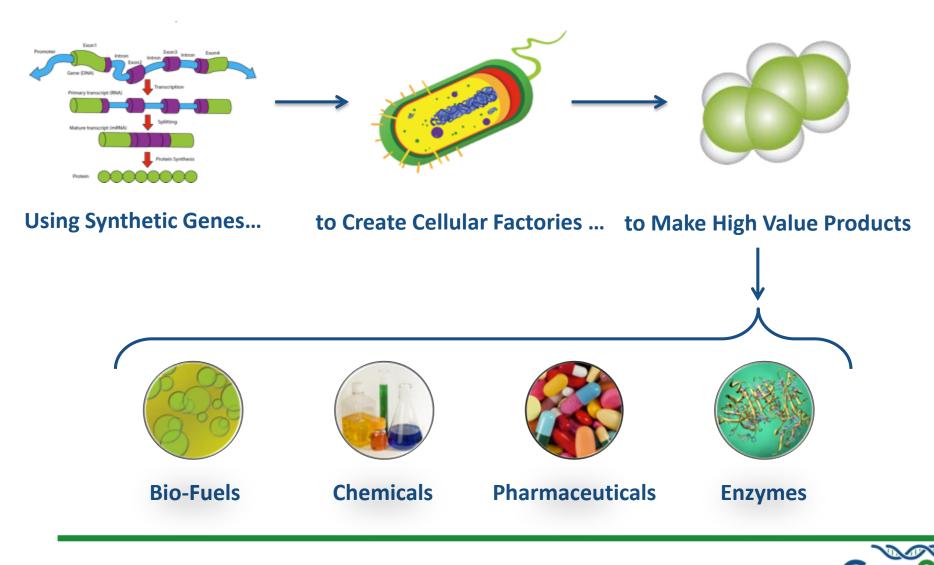


"Synthetic biology is: a) the design and construction of new biological parts, devices and systems and; b) the re-design of existing natural biological systems for useful purposes."



# Synthetic Biology is Creating Future Factories...

...for the Production of Pharmaceuticals, Biofuels and Chemicals



### Products of Synthetic Biology











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### Synthetic Biology in Medicine

#### **Systems Biology**

- Construction and analysis of synthetic regulatory networks
- Sophisticated Perturbations

#### **Bimolecular synthesis and fabrication**

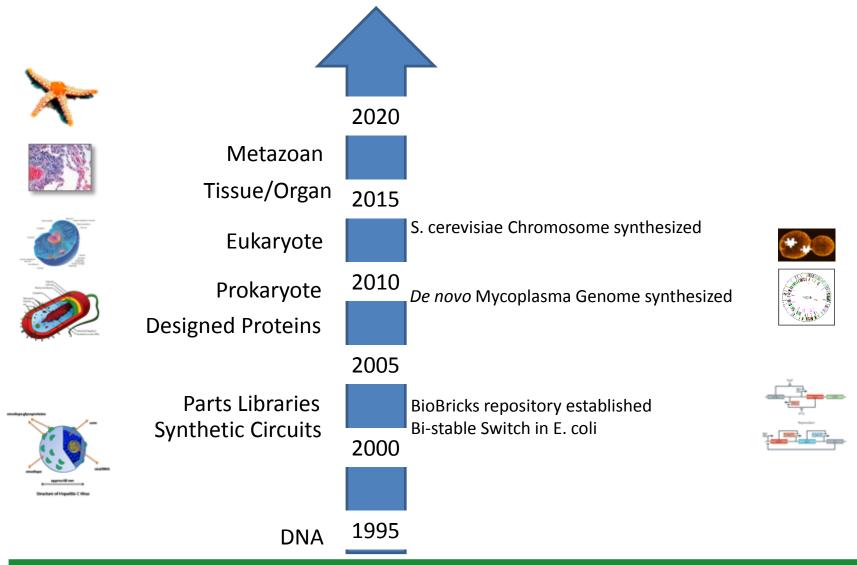
- Optimized drug synthesis
- Molecular-scale device fabrication

#### **Biomedical**

- Artificial immune systems
- Cancer and other disease therapies
- Tissue generation and regulation
- Biosensing
- Diagnostics



#### The Progress of Synthetic Biology

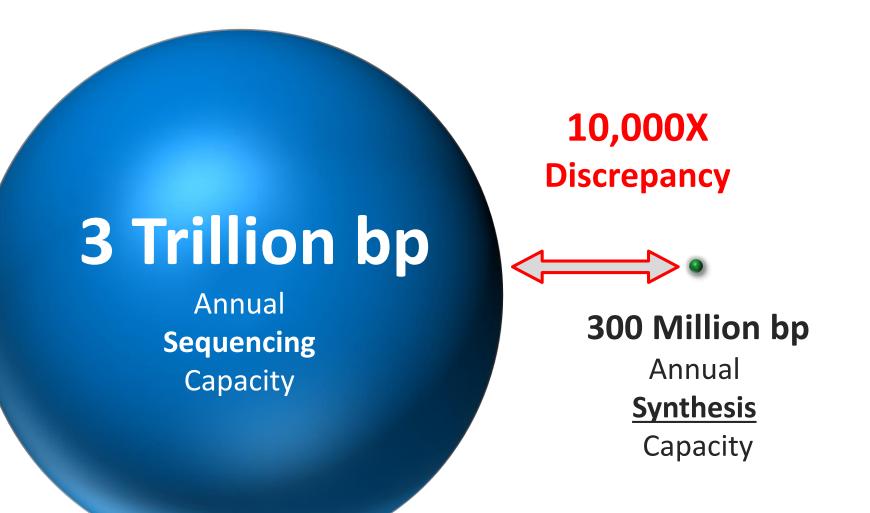




# What is Holding Us Back?



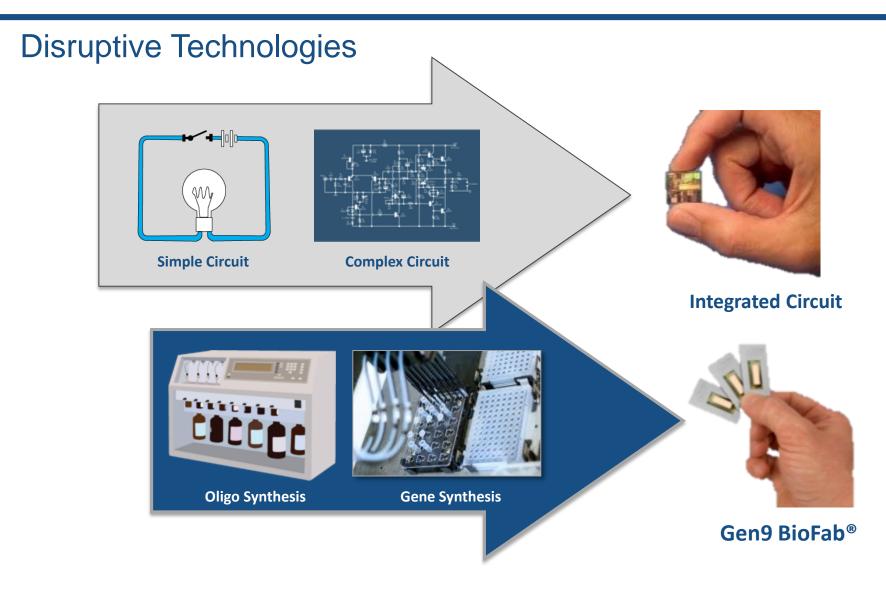
#### The Opportunity: Reading vs. Writing DNA



Capacity in Base Pairs Per Year

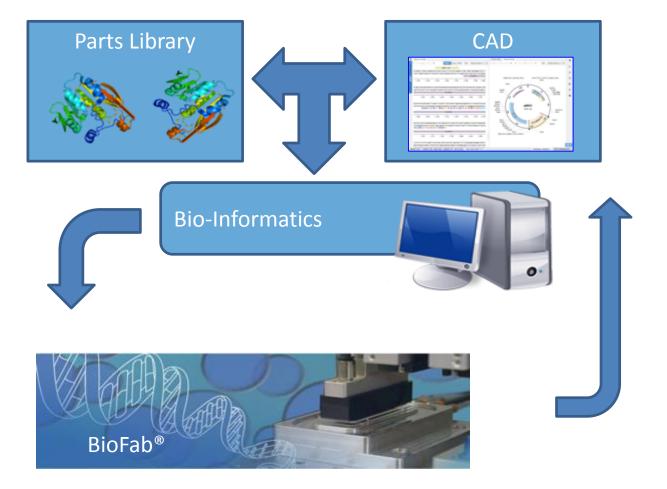


### Gene Synthesis: A new Demonstration of Moore's Law



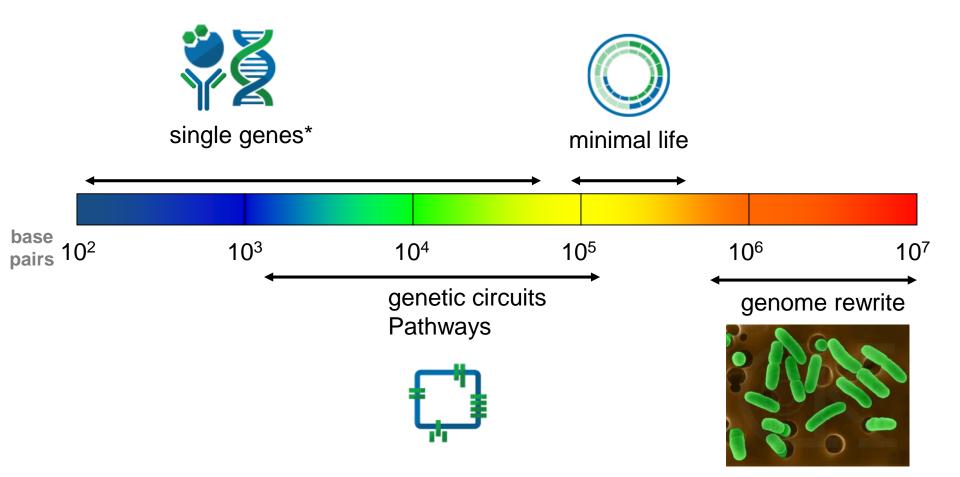


#### Gene Synthesis Ecosystem



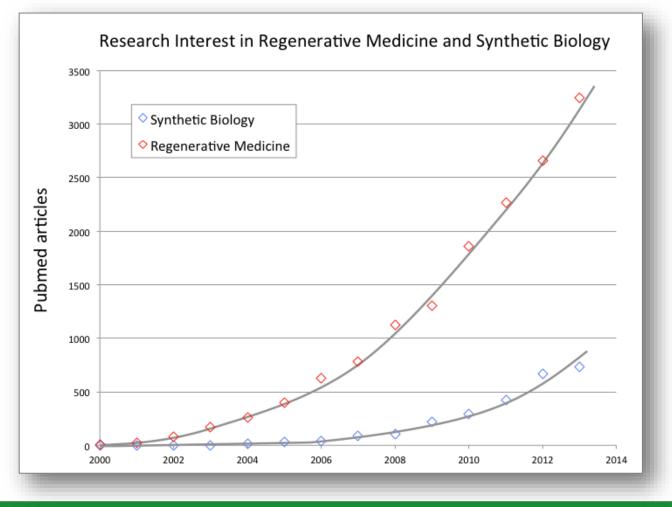


#### **On-Demand DNA Applications**





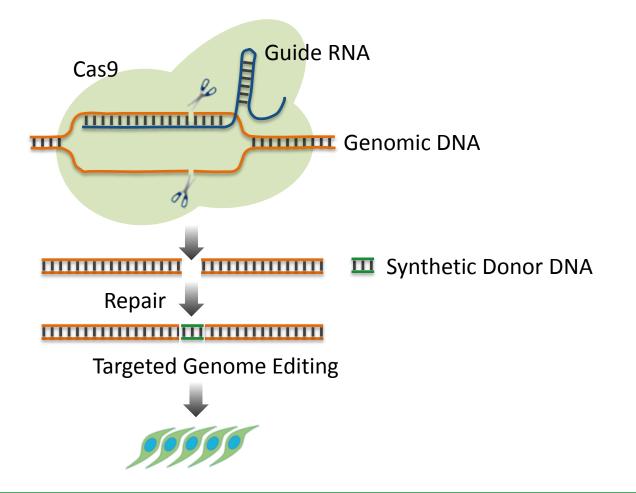
#### The Promise of Synthetic Biology





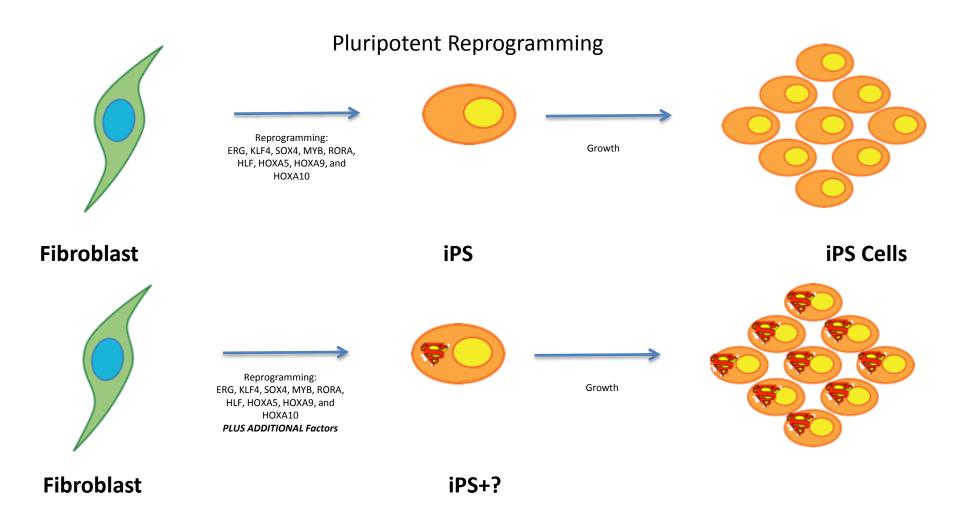
### **Editing Genomes**

Advancements in technologies for precision editing



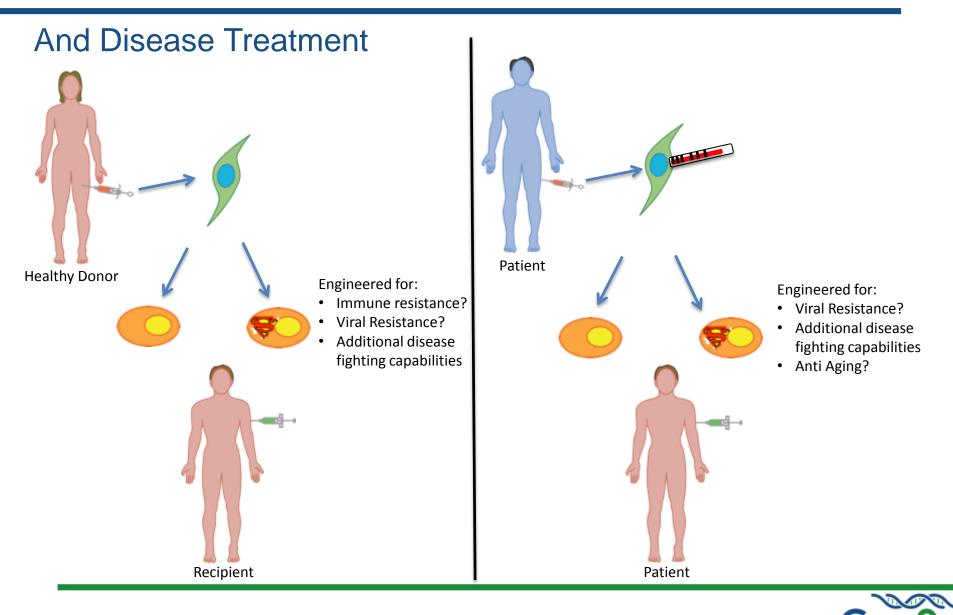


### **Creation of Pluripotent Cells**





# **Better** Options for Therapy



#### New Therapeutic Companies in Editing Space

#### CRISPR THERAPEUTICS

#### CRISPR THERAPEUTICS RAISES \$25 MILLION IN SERIES A FINANCING AND ANNOUNCES FOUNDING TEAM OF WORLD-RENOWNED ACADEMICS AND CLINICIANS

Basel, Switzerland - 24 April 2014

CRISPR Therapeutics, a biopharmaceutical company focus raised \$25 million in a series A investment from Versant Ve comprising high-profile experts in diverse fields of science i drug delivery technologies, RNA interference and gene sile

The funding and the team's collective expertise will allow C gene medicines that have the potential to cure serious gen

Cas9 is an enzyme that can be easily programmed with RN deletion, insertion or correction of target genes with surgic interest and to correct specific target genes, to tackle both editing offers significant advantages over traditional gene tl correcting some recessive genetic disorders.



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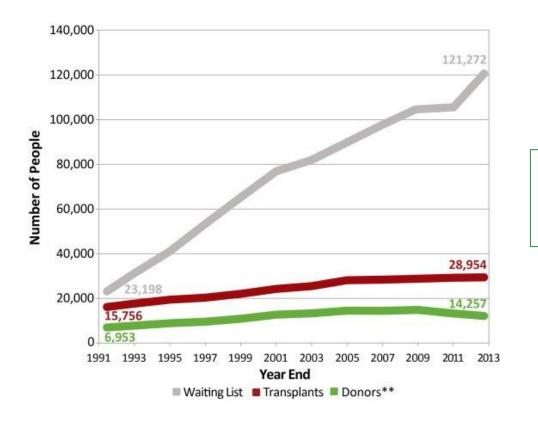
#### Editas Medicine Created to Discover and Develop Novel Class of Genome Editing Therapeutics

Company Founded by Five World Leaders in Genome Editing; Secures \$43 Million Series A Financing Led by Flagship Ventures, Polaris Partners and Third Rock Ventures

**Cambridge, Mass., November 25, 2013** -- Editas Medicine, a transformative genome editing company, today announced it has secured a \$43 million Series A financing led by Flagship Ventures, Polaris Partners and Third Rock Ventures with participation from Partners Innovation Fund. Following an explosion of high profile publications on CRISPR/Cas9 and TALENs, genome editing has emerged as one of the most exciting new areas of scientific research. These recent advances have made it possible to modify, in a targeted way, almost any gene in the human body with the ability to directly turn on, turn off or edit disease-causing genes. Editas' mission is to translate its genome editing technology into a novel class of human therapeutics that enable precise and corrective molecular modification to treat the underlying cause of a broad range of diseases at the genetic level.



## Need for Organs



Each day, an average of 18 people die waiting for transplants due to organ shortage (>6500 year)

Data from optn.transplant.hrsa.gov and OPTN/SRTR Annual Report.

\*\* Data include deceased and living donors



#### Humanized Pigs?





#### Immune Resistant Model Organisms

#### Humanized pig organs to revolutionize transplantation

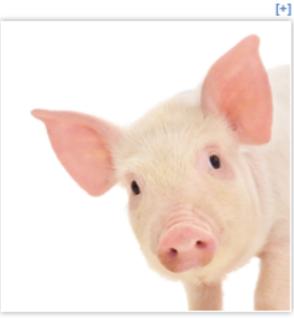
Initial focus: the almost 400,000 people who die from lung disease, including cancer, each year May 7, 2014

Genome pioneer J. Craig Venter's Synthetic Genomics Inc. (SGI) is teaming up with United Therapeutics Corporation subsidiary Lung Biotechnology Inc. to use synthetic genomic advances to develop humanized pig lungs.

The collaboration will focus on creating organs that are safe and effective for use in human patients in need of transplantation, with an initial focus on lung diseases — addressing specifically the urgent need for transplant organs for people with end-stage lung disease.

SGI plans to use its unique DNA design, DNA synthesis, genome editing, and genome-modification tools to develop engineered primary pig cells with modified genomes. This will involve modifying a substantial number of genes at an unprecedented scale and efficiency, the company says.

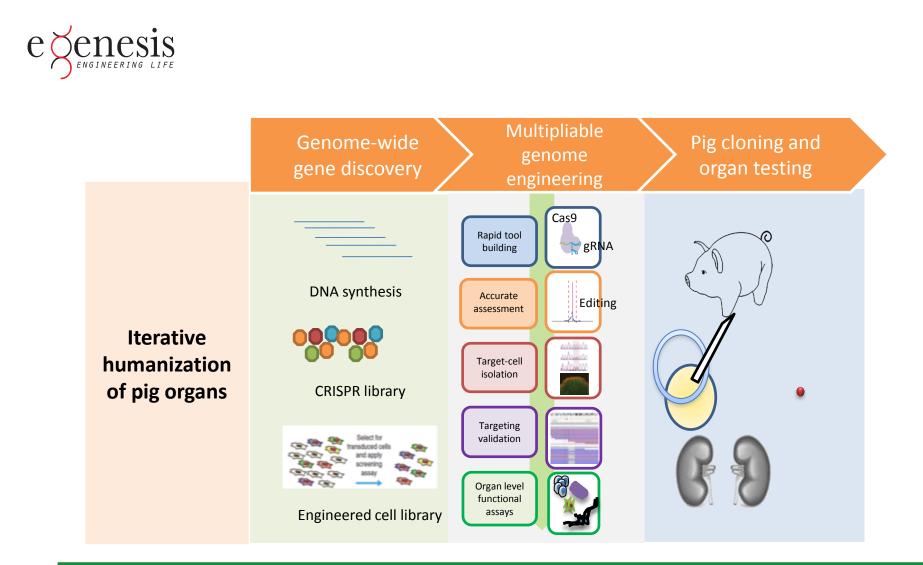
400,000 people die annually from lung disease



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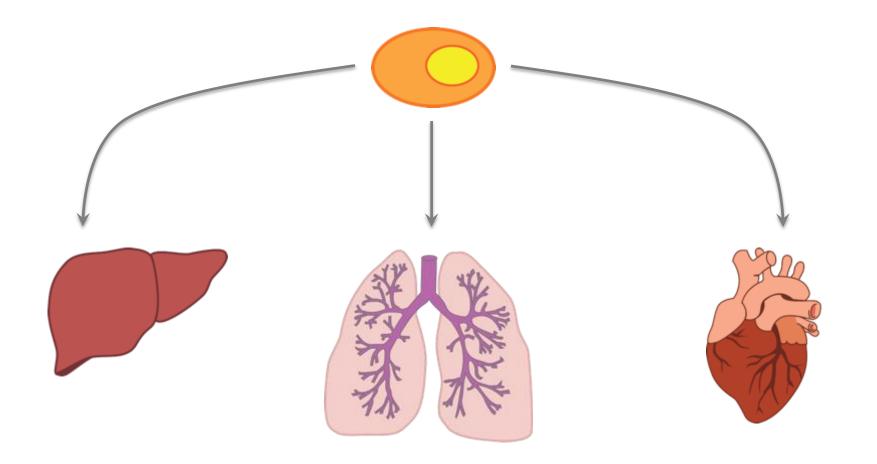


# Iterative genome editing approach to synthesize human compatible organs from animals





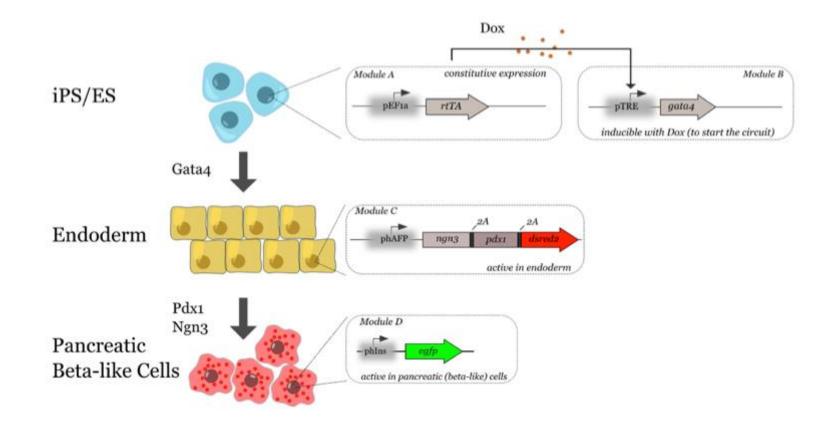
#### Can We Create Large Scale Functional Tissues?





### Defining, Writing and Manipulating Genetic Programs

#### A Self-Timed Genetic Program for $\beta$ cell Differentiation

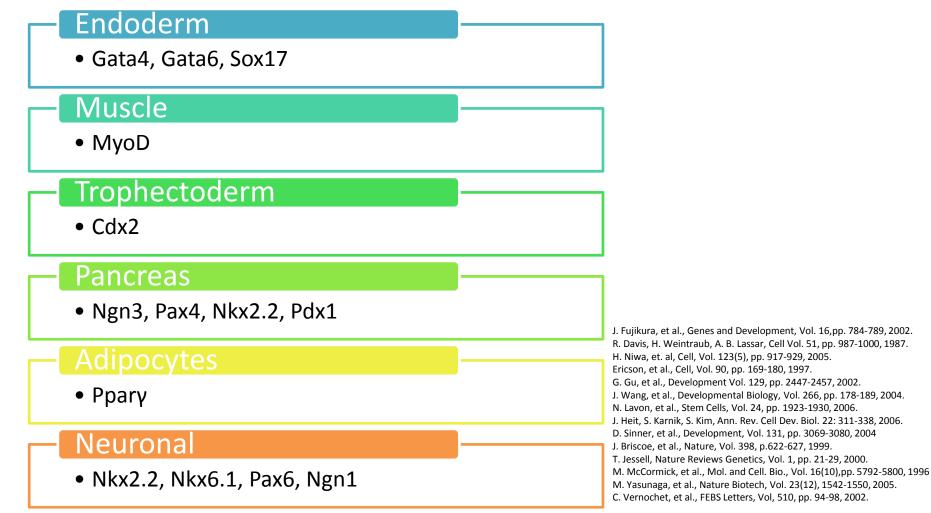


From the Weiss lab (MIT Synthetic Biology Dept)



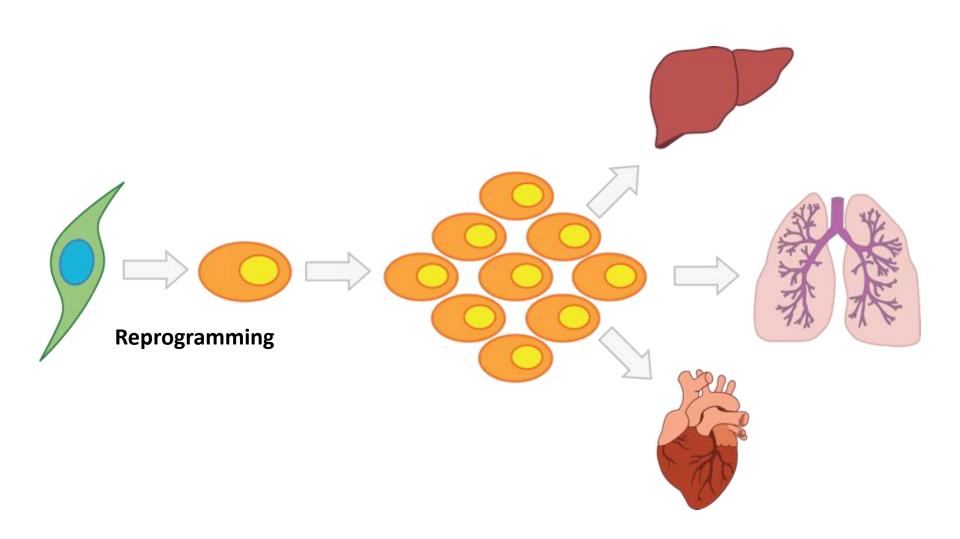
## A Sampling of Cell Fate Regulators

#### Targets for Synthetic Biology Reprogramming





### Path to Organ (re)Generation





### **Printed Organs**

#### Organovo and Johnson & Johnson Team to Evaluate 3D Bio-printed Tissue Use

BY BRITTNEY SEVENSON - JULY 24, 2014



It's only a matter of time before 3D bio-printing really takes off. One of the leaders in the space is Organovo, a company who has already been able to 3D print living liver tissue, and has an ultimate goal of 3D printing

organovo

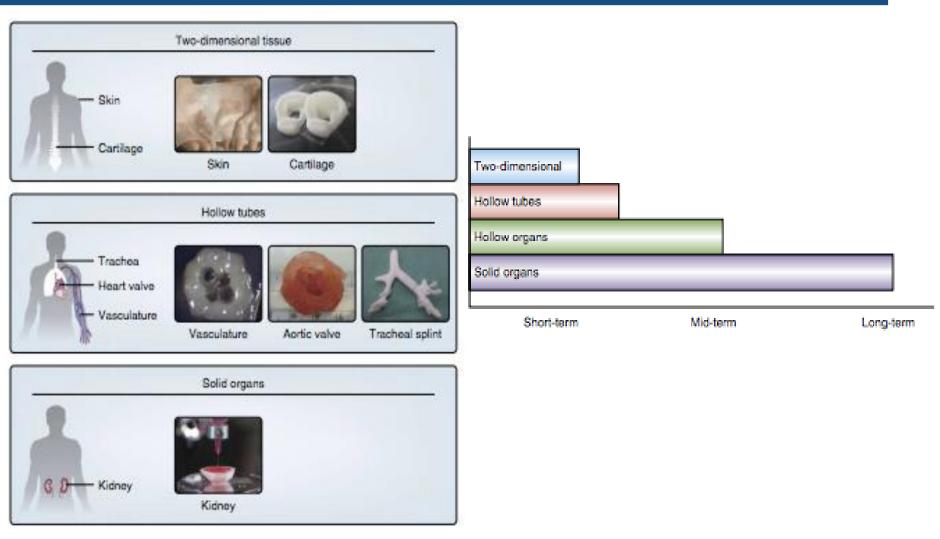
Before we get th applications to 3

used today. One such application is that of drug discovery testin performing clinical trials on potential new drugs for the market. oftentimes being put at some risk. Liver toxicity testing, in partic samples from cadavers, meaning it's not all that easy to obtain s researchers to do, is create live human tissue, which can then be reactions a particular drug may have on that tissue. Once scaled much tissue as is needed for research, as well as tissue of extrem





#### **Development Timeline for 3D Tissues/Organs**



Murphy and Atala. Nature Biotechnology Vol 32, No. 8 (2014)



- Advancement of developmental biology research
- iPS reprogramming
  - Therapies
  - Tissues
- Applications of amphibian based genetics?
- Generic and personalized model organisms
- SynBio + 3D printing
- Nuclei editing in Brain and neurons
- Anti Aging?

#### Potential to unlock many of life's mysteries!



GeneBi perfect Gen( irs USA Sequence-perfect DNA process Next-generation constructs DOP design libraries tegite Custom synthesis **Dedication**