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Educations

- 1987 B.S., Konkuk University, Seoul, Korea
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- 1993 Ph.D., Konkuk University, Seoul, Korea

Professional Background

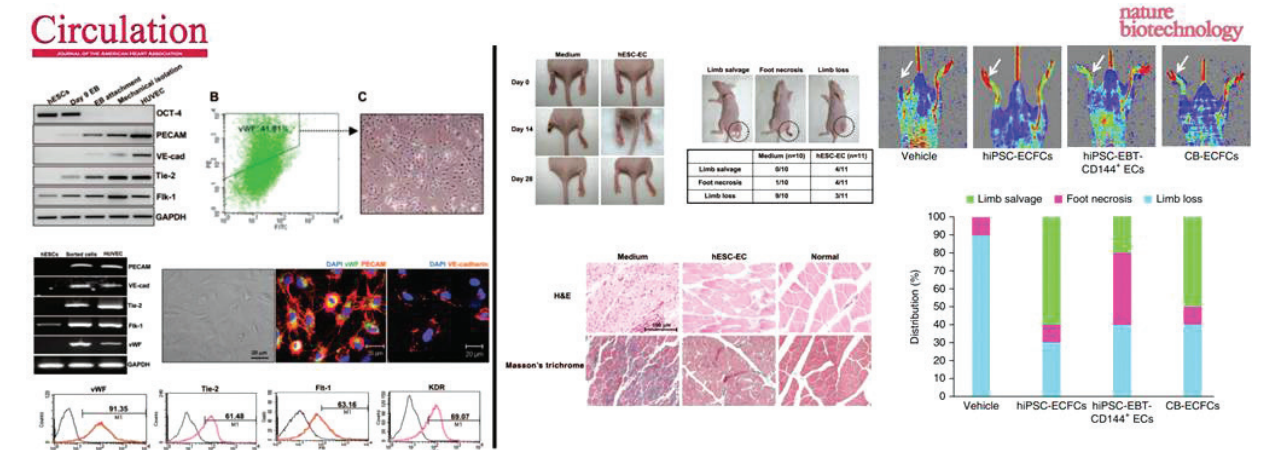
- 2014-Present Embryo research Senior member: National Bioethics Committee
- 2014-Present Central Pharmacy committee member: Ministry of Food and Drug safety
- 2013-Present Executive Director: Korea Society for Stem cell Research (KSSCR)
- 2013-Present Senior Consultant: Health policy committee, Ministry of Health and Welfare
- 2013-Present Professor: School of Medicine, Konkuk University
- 2012-Present Faculty Member: The Korean Academy of Science and Technology
- 2012-Present Operating committee member: National Stem Cell Bank, Ministry of Health and Welfare
- 2009-Present National LMO committee member: ICT and Future Planning, Ministry of Science
- 2006-2013 Professor: Department of Biomedical Science, CHA University
- 2001-2006 Associate Professor: Department of Biomedical Science, CHA University
- 1997-2001 Assistant Professor: Department of Biomedical Science, CHA University

Top 5 Publications

- Huang X, Lee MR, Cooper S, Hangoc G, Hong KS, **Chung HM**, Broxmeyer HE. Activation of OCT4 enhances ex vivo expansion of human cord blood hematopoietic stem and progenitor cells by regulating HOXB4 expression. *Leukemia* 2016 Jan;30(1):144-153
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RESEARCH INTERESTS

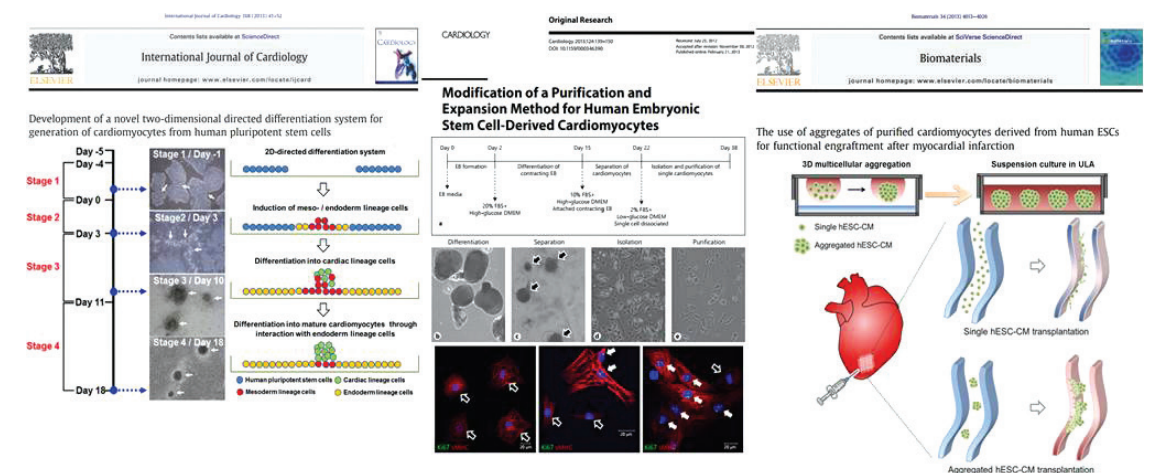
1. Functional Endothelial Progenitor Cells Derived from Human Pluripotent Stem Cells



Our research is mainly focused on the generation of functional cardiovascular lineage cells, such as endothelial progenitor cells and cardiomyocytes. Endothelial progenitor cells (EPCs) have the ability for neovascularization and humoral angiogenic secretion in ischemic tissues. However, adult EPCs have limitations as a therapeutic cell source due to their very small numbers and the lack of an in vitro

expansion technique. To overcome the limitations of insufficient cell numbers, we have developed a simple induction system for human pluripotent stem cell (hPSC)-derived EPCs, and have defined their functionality in vitro and in vivo. In the last decade, we have published over 30 SCI grade papers and have registered more than 10 patents for hPSC-EPC related studies.

2. Application of Cardiomyocytes Derived from Human Pluripotent Stem Cells



Another of our research interests is in the development of techniques for effective generation of highly purified hPSC-derived cardiomyocytes, and their application as a therapeutic cell source to treat myocardial infarction. The heart is the one of the most important organs in the body. However, the adult human heart has a restricted regenera-

tive capacity. Thus, hPSC-derived cardiomyocytes have been considered a unique cell source for the ischemic heart. Recently, we have reported a differentiation and purification system for hPSC-derived cardiomyocytes, and demonstrated improvement in myocardial infarction following transplantation of hPSC-derived cardiomyocytes.