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Editorial



# Welcome to Progress in Stem Cell

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# Why is stem cell research important?

Stem cell science has great potential in the regenerative medicine as well as others such as biology development, pharmacology, agriculture... Stem cell research helps to explain some important mechanisms of reproduction, growth, aging and disease. Stem cell therapy is a promising therapy for degenerative diseases included Huntington disease (Choi et al., 2014a), Parkinson (Bjorklund and Kordower, 2013), Alzheimer disease (Choi et al., 2014b)... alternatively, chronic disease included cardiac failure (Michler, 2014), diabetes (Calne et al., 2013), osteoarthritis (Jorgensen, 2013)...

In fact, stem cells hold wonderful characteristics included self-renewal that can maintain the proliferation for

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a long time and differentiation that can produce specialized cells. To date, stem cells successfully isolated from a lot of different sources in the human body as well as the placenta and umbilical cord. Recently, pluripotent stem cells can be produced by reprogramming of adult somatic cells (Takahashi and Yamanaka, 2006). With this technique, stem cell research is added by powerful tool for stem cell production and modification.

After more than 20 years that human embryonic stem cell was successfully isolated and cultured by James Thomson stem cells have studied and applied in a wide range of medicine (Thomson et al., 1998). Stem cell can be used as drugs in disease treatments such as autoimmune disease (Zheng et al., 2013), osteoarthritis (Van Pham et al., 2014), diabetes mellitus (Viswanathan and Sarang, 2013), non-healing ulcer (Tran et al., 2014)... Stem cell also used in stem cell gene therapy to correct some gene mutations, or in tissue engineering.

More interesting, stem cells based drugs have been approved by FDA in some countries such as Prochymal (Canada), HemaCord (USA), Ducord (USA), Cartistem (Korea)...

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