

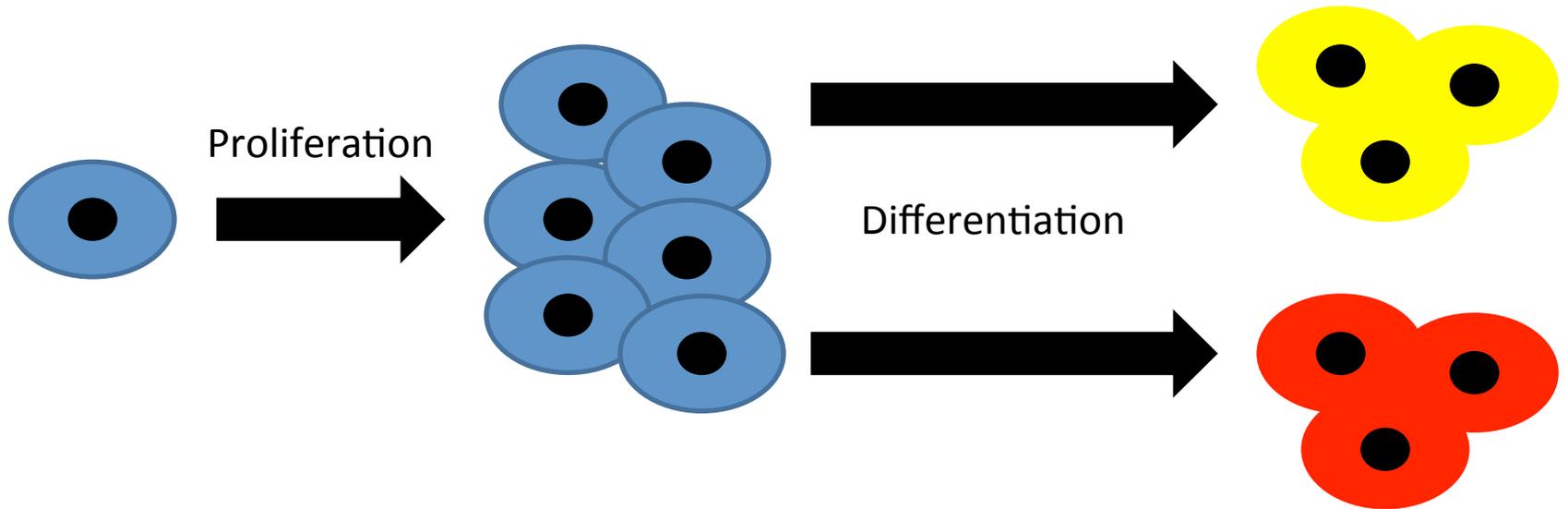


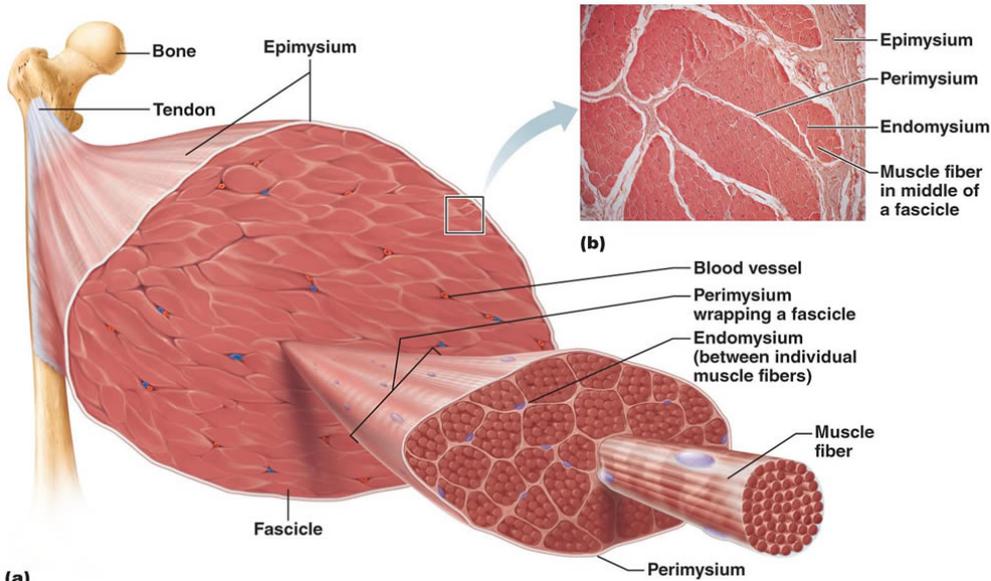
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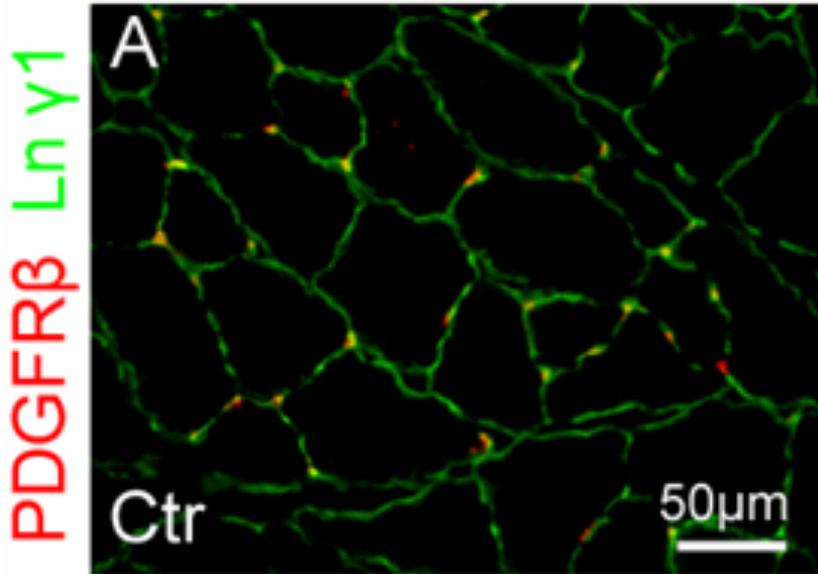
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Stem cell-based therapies





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Pericytes

- Mesenchymal stem cells

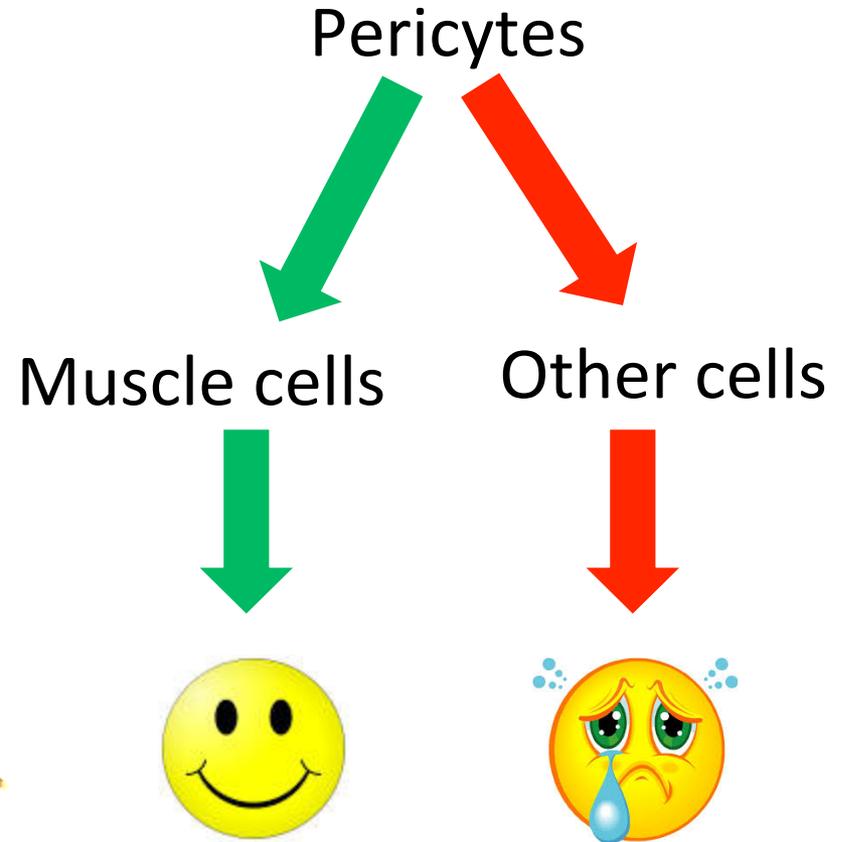
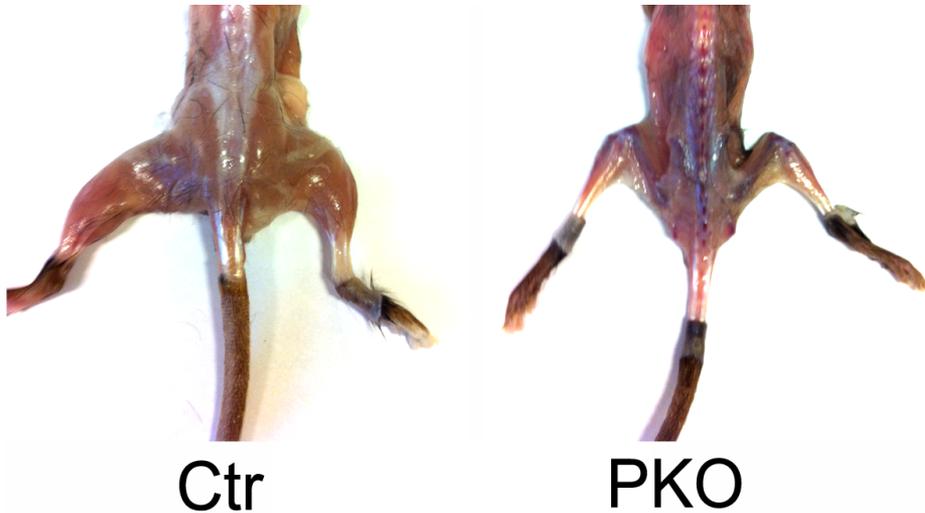
Pericytes

Muscle cells

Other cells



Laminin-deficient mice (PKO)



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With Laminin

Pericytes

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Laminin-deficient mice (PKO)



Without Laminin

Pericytes

Muscle cells

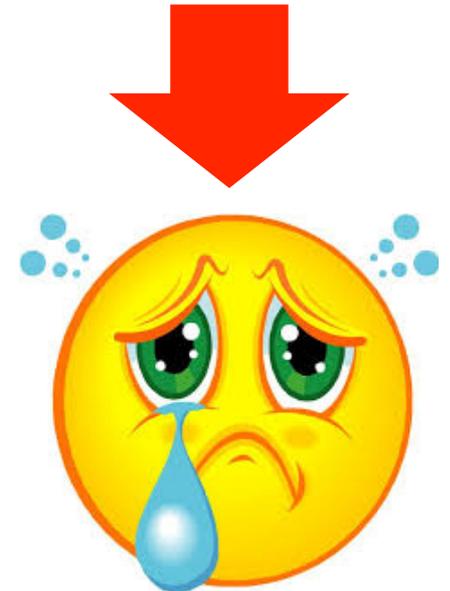
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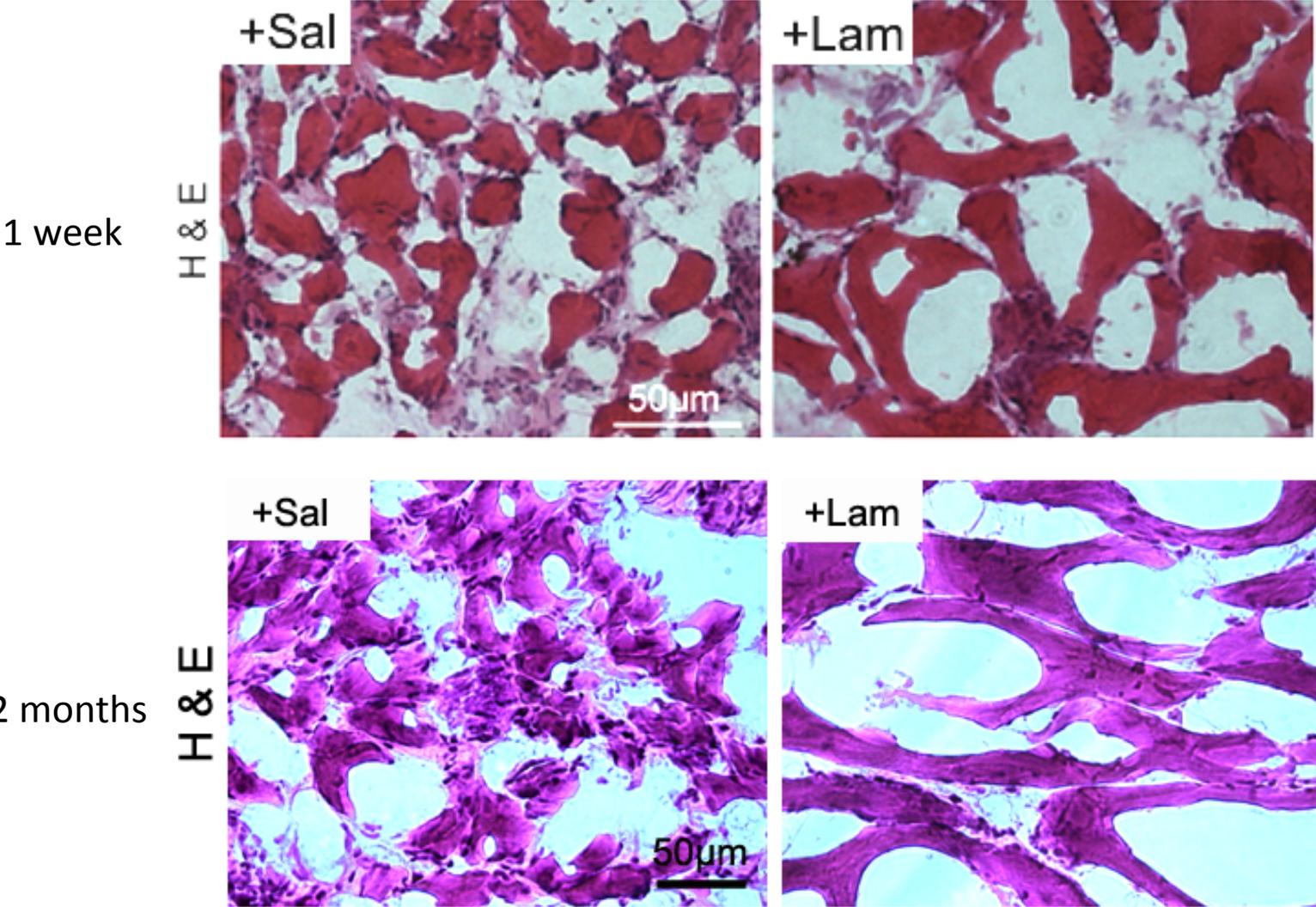
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PKO



Laminin partially rescues the MD phenotype



Future work

- ➔ Laminin-based therapy
 - ❖ Laminin partially rescue the PKO phenotype

- ➔ Pericyte-based therapy
 - ❖ Engineered pericytes committed to muscle cell differentiation

- ➔ High-throughput screening
 - ❖ Promote the generation of muscle cells
 - ❖ Prevent the generation of other cells

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