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A Brief Discussion about Regeneration of Cells

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DESCRIPTION

Regeneration is a natural process of restoring or replacing damaged cells or tissues and sometimes entire body parts. Regeneration needs to be studied for its potential use in medicines or the treatment of injuries and diseases.

The two developmental requirements of adult organisms are cell or tissue renewal and regeneration. Both processes have a starting point, a population of stem cells located in a specific environment called the "niche", which provides them the required signals to preserve stemness or differentiate into the many cell types are required. Cell migration, epigenetics, and cellular communication is also required for effective cell renewal.

Mitotic activity is higher in fast renewing tissues. On the other hand, slow-renewing tissues have less mitosis and may be difficult to distinguish from non-renewing parts with some mitosis. Tissue renewal and homeostasis are directly influenced by stem cell destiny decisions made during proliferation. As a result, it's vital to comprehend the regulatory processes that keep cell division and differentiation balanced.

Both extracellular and intracellular signals are regulated by stem cell division. After stem cell division, differentiated cells progress through stages defined by a mixture of transcription factors that control the activity of the repertoire of genes and allow commitment and terminal differentiation.

Cellular identity, which is the result of appropriate differentiation is usually persistent within tissues, and its preservation is essential for normal tissue function.

Epigenetic regulation (e.g. histone demethylation and acetylation) results in heritable patterns of tissue-specific gene expression is responsible for this stability. However, cell identity can be lost.

Following transplantation, cells from the drosophila imaginal the disc can trans determine and adopt a new adult fate. In this situation, extracellular cues seem to reprogram some precursor or differentiated cells to acquire characteristics of either a more stem state or a new differentiated state.

Dedifferentiation and transdifferentiation are the two ways by which a cell can change its identity. The process by which a differentiated or committed cell develops characteristics of a less mature cell is known as dedifferentiation.

Transdifferentiation, on the other hand, occurs when a differentiated cell's transcriptional program is altered and transforms into a different differentiated cell type. The process can take place in two ways: with an intermediary step of dedifferentiation to a less mature stage before converting into a newly differentiated cell, or without an intermediate step at all. The second mechanism is the direct conversion of fibroblasts to myoblasts caused by the ectopic expression of MyoD.

Dedifferentiation and trans-differentiation are also natural reactions when there is an injury or tissue loss. In urodele amphibians, for example, dedifferentiation occurs naturally during limb regeneration. After limb amputation, cells adjacent to the wound dedifferentiate. These cells generate a blastema of undifferentiated cells, which proliferate and will eventually re-differentiate into the same cell type to create all the components of the lost limb. The cell dedifferentiates initially, and then the natural developmental pathway is engaged, allowing the cell to differentiate into the new lineage.

Natural transdifferentiation occurs indirectly:

Firstly, the cell dedifferentiates, and then the cell's natural developmental program is activated, allowing it to differentiate into a new lineage. Tsonis and collaborators described a natural mechanism of trans-differentiation. According to the researchers, when lenses are removed pigmented epithelial cells from the dorsal iris transdifferentiate and replace the missing tissue. For this, pigmented epithelial cells must first dedifferentiate and proliferate to generate new lens cells and then differentiate into mature lens cells. In both situations, either it transdifferentiates into a new cell type or will dedifferentiate and redifferentiate into the same cell type. The transcriptional program obtained by each cell at the perfect time-point could be controlled by a complicated network of signaling pathways.

Cells must re-adjust to the new situation during regeneration, which requires more profound decisions at the cellular level, which frequently include processes of dedifferentiation and trans-differentiation,which is rare during homeostasis.

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