

Fig. 16 Synchronized burst spikes are eliminated by neurotransmitter release blockers

The spontaneous spikes were monitored by MEA from iCell Neurons cultured in iCell neuron maintenance medium with mouse astrocyte-conditioned medium for 2 months. Baseline spike numbers were determined by using 100 nM TTX treated background value (A). Altered baseline spike numbers are shown after 3 min treatment with 30 μM GABAzine (B), and simultaneous addition of 100 nM ω -agatoxin (ATX) and 100 nM ω -conotoxin (CTX), then followed by the addition of 100 nM of TTX (D).

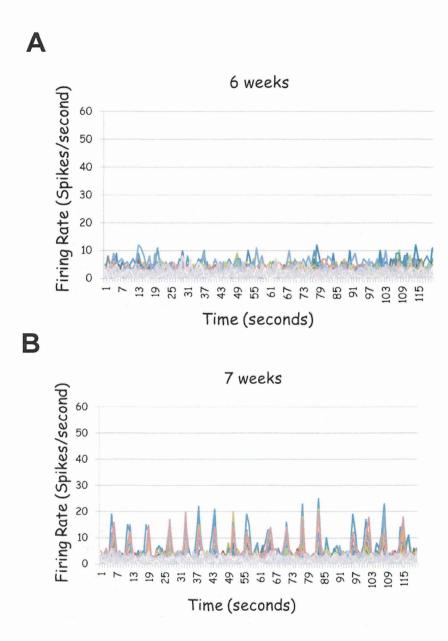
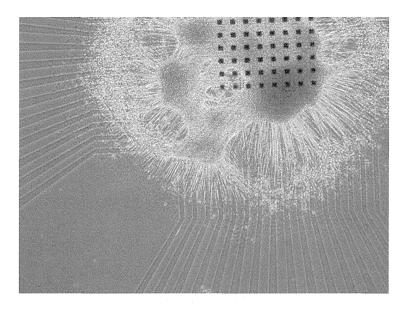


Fig. 17 The periodic spontaneous synchronized burst spike generation is required for more than 6 weeks with astrocyte's stimuli

The spontaneous spikes were monitored by MEA every week from iCell neurons cultured in iCell neuron maintenance medium with mouse astrocyte-conditioned medium. Baseline spike numbers were determined by the value of RMS400 with untreated signals. Periodic synchronized burst spikes among multiple probes weren't observed in 6 weeks (A), but was observed from 7 weeks cultured iCell Neurons (B).

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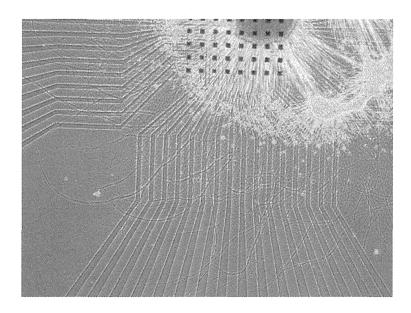


Fig. 18 Neurite outgrowth of iCell Neurons are potently enhanced by human iPS Cell-derived astrocyte-conditioned medium

iCell Neurons were cultured in iCell neuron maintenance medium with mouse astrocyte-conditioned medium (A) or human iPS Cell-derived astrocyte-conditioned medium (B) for a week. Neurite outgrowth was observed by microscopy.

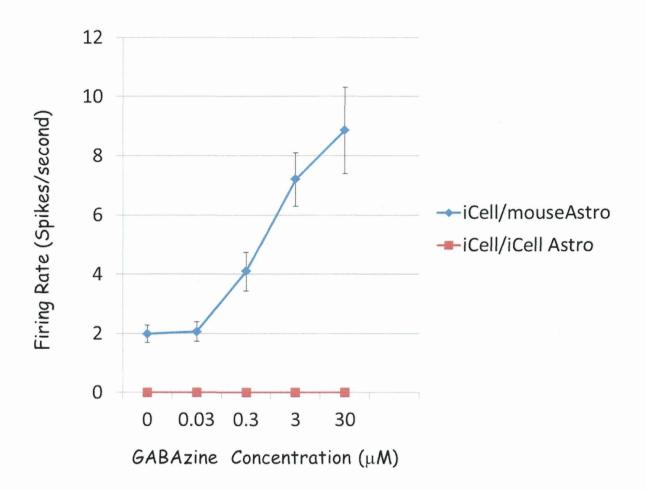


Fig. 19 Human iPS Ccll-derived astrocyte-conditioned medium could not generate spontaneous spikes in iCell Neurons

iCell Neurons were cultured in iCell neuron maintenance medium with mouse astrocyte-conditioned medium or human iPS Cell-derived astrocyte-conditioned medium for 2 months. The baseline activity was determined by subtraction of background value which was determined after 100 nM TTX treatment. Probes over 1 Hz of spike numbers were selected to data analysis.

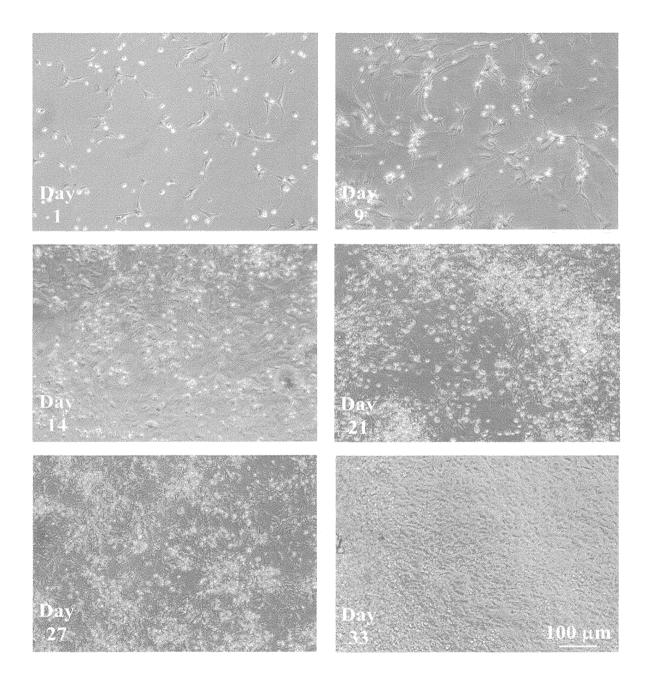
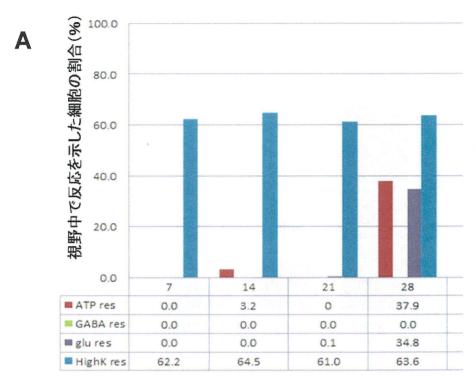


Fig. 20 Phase-contrast images of Repro-Glu until DIV33 The proliferation of the cells became remarkable at DIV14. After DIV27, it became hard to discriminate the morphology of each cell.



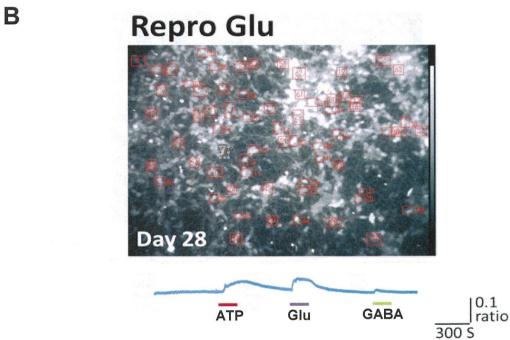
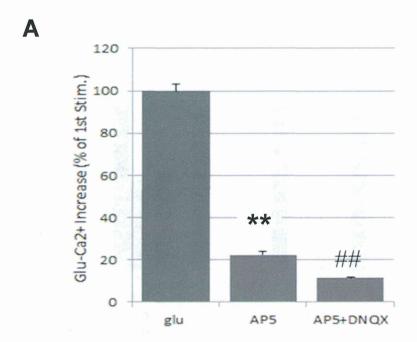


Fig. 21 Ca²⁺ responses of Repro-Glu to ATP, L-Glu, and GABA.

- A. Time course of the responses. The cells did not respond to the ligands until day 21. On day 28, there appeared the cells which responded to ATP (100 μ M) and L-Glu (100 μ M). The responses to GABA (100 μ M) was not observed.
- B. The typical Ca²⁺ influx traces of Repro-Glu on day 28.



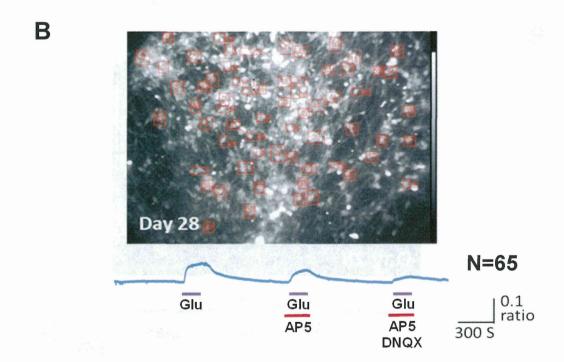


Fig. 22 Effects of AP5 and DNQX on the L-Glu-induced Ca²⁺ responses.

- A. In the cells which responded to L-Glu, AP-5 strongly suppressed the Ca²⁺ responses to L-Glu. DNQX+AP5 further suppressed the L-Glu-induced Ca²⁺ responses.
- B. Typical trace of the Ca²⁺ responses of this pharmacological experiment.

^{**:} p<0.01 vs L-Glu-treated group, ##: p<0.01 vs L-Glu+AP5-treated group, Tukey's test following ANOVA. Error bars represent s.e.m.

Day 1, 7, 14, 28 Tuj1 Nestin GFAP Hoechist

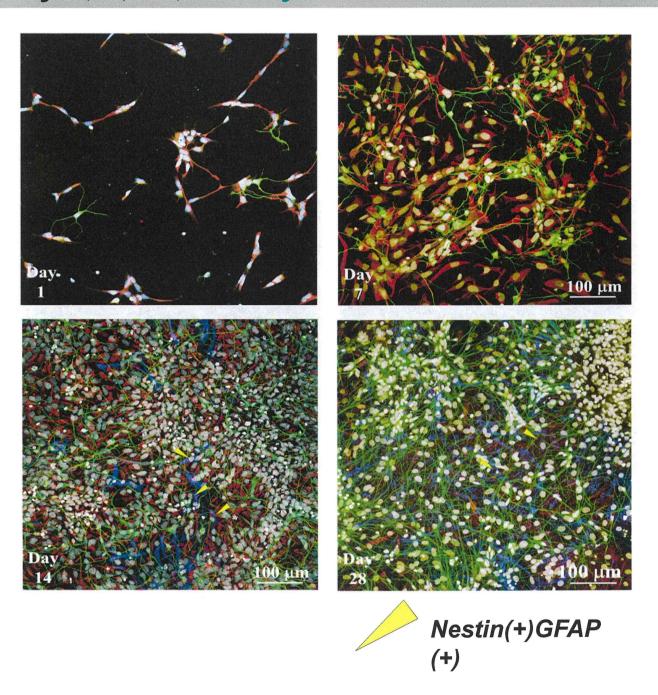


Fig. 23 Expression of Tuj1, Nestin, and GFAP in Repro-Glu (- day 28). The existence of Tuj1(+) cells, Nestin(+) cells, GFAP(+) cells were confirmed by day 28. Nestin(+)GFAP(+) cells were still observed on day 28, suggesting the existence of radial glia.

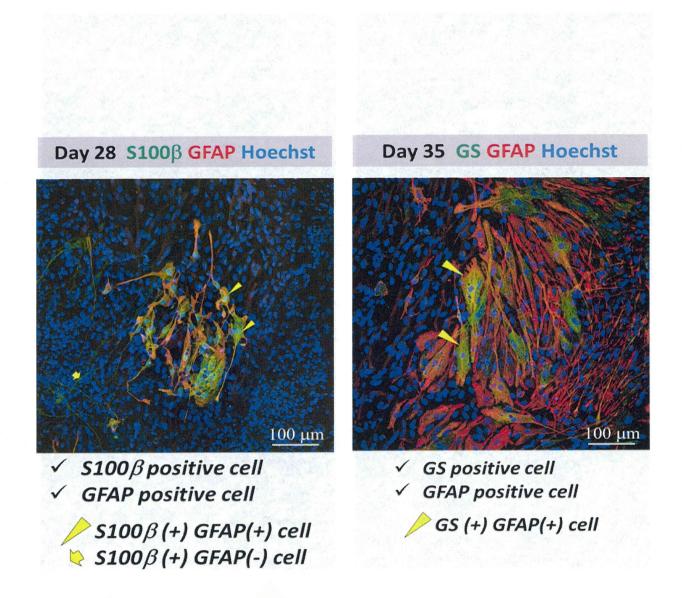


Fig. 24 Astrocytes were included in Repro-Glu In GFAP(+) cells, S100b(+)GFAP(+) cells and GS(+)GFAP(+) cells are included, strongly suggesting that astrocytes are included in Repro-Glu.

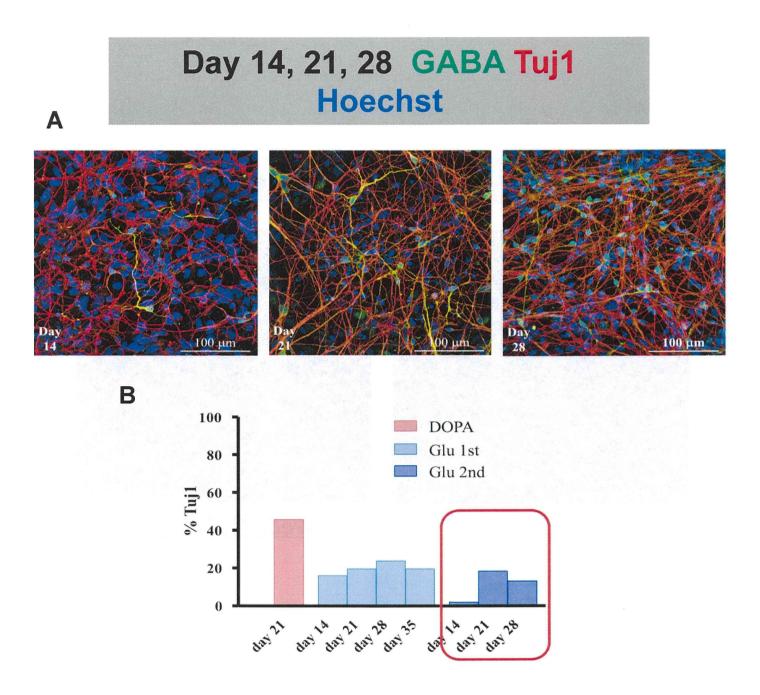


Fig. 25 The percentage of GABA neurons in Ripro-Glu. The percentage of GABA neurons in the Ripro-Glu neurons was 10-20% (Glu), while that in the Ripro-DA neurons was 40-50% (DOPA). Duplicated data. The percentage did not change by day 28.