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Historical overview - Somatic cell nuclear transfer

- July 5, 1996 - Dolly the sheep

Medical potential

- It has been used to treat
- Gene therapies:
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Other applications of recombinant DNA

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- Process:
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- Humans have a huge factor on environment

Ex. Pollution - waste of ?

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 - Induce split in embryo for potential embryo with same content
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 - For nuclear transplantation

Historical overview - somatic cell nuclear transfer

- Sheep Dolly
 - Was somatic cell nuclear transfer

A. Cloning (kion = "twig", greek):

- Process of producing similar populations of genetically identical individuals
- Natural in bacteria, plants, and some insects

Human cloning are:

A. Therapeutic cloning

- First approach: Somatic cell nuclear transfer (SCNT)
 - Involve cloning cells from a human for use in medicine and transplants
- Second approach: Induced pluripotent cells
 - Type of pluripotent stem cell that can be generated directly from adult cells

B. Reproductive cloning

- Platelets - play a role in blood clotting
- White blood cells (leukocytes) - two types:
 1. Granulocytes
 - Neutrophils
 - Eosinophils
 - Basophils
 2. Agranulocytes
 - Monocytes
 - Lymphocytes (B and T)
 - T: destroy cancer cells
 - Problem: tumor is usually growing too fast
- Cells working against pathogens
- Red blood cells (erythrocytes)

Antigen (Ag), or antibody generator

- Is any substance which provokes an adaptive immune response
- Antibody, also called immunoglobulin, is a protective protein produced by the immune system in response to the presence of a foreign substance (an antigen)
- Antibodies recognize and latch onto antigens in order to remove them from the body
- A wide range of substances are regarded by the body as antigens, including disease-cause organisms and toxic materials such as venom

Blood types

The immune system (Chapter 13)

- Introduction to
 - A disease causing organism
- Bacteria
 - A prokaryotic organism
- Viruses
 - Minute infectious agent that consists of a nucleic acid encased in a protein. A virus cannot replicate outside a living host cell

Bacteria

- Larger versus viruses
- Reproduce by binary fission (splitting)
- Commonly called prokaryotes
- Other: fungi, protozoans, parasites

Lines of defense - Fig 13.1

- First line of defense: nonspecific physical and chemical barriers -- (innate defenses) if pathogen penetrates barriers--> second line of defense: nonspecific internal cellular and chemical defense -- (adaptive acquired defenses) if pathogen survives nonspecific internal defenses --> third line of defense: immune response
- First line: not specific - doesn't allow foreign bodies to enter in body