



BIOMATERIALS FROM PRADER-WILLI SYNDROME
DPSC DERIVED NEURONS

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A fluorescence microscopy image of a neuron. The cell body is centrally located and stained with a mix of blue and purple. Several processes extend from the cell body, stained in red. There are also some green and yellow spots scattered throughout the neuron and its processes.

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INTRODUCTION

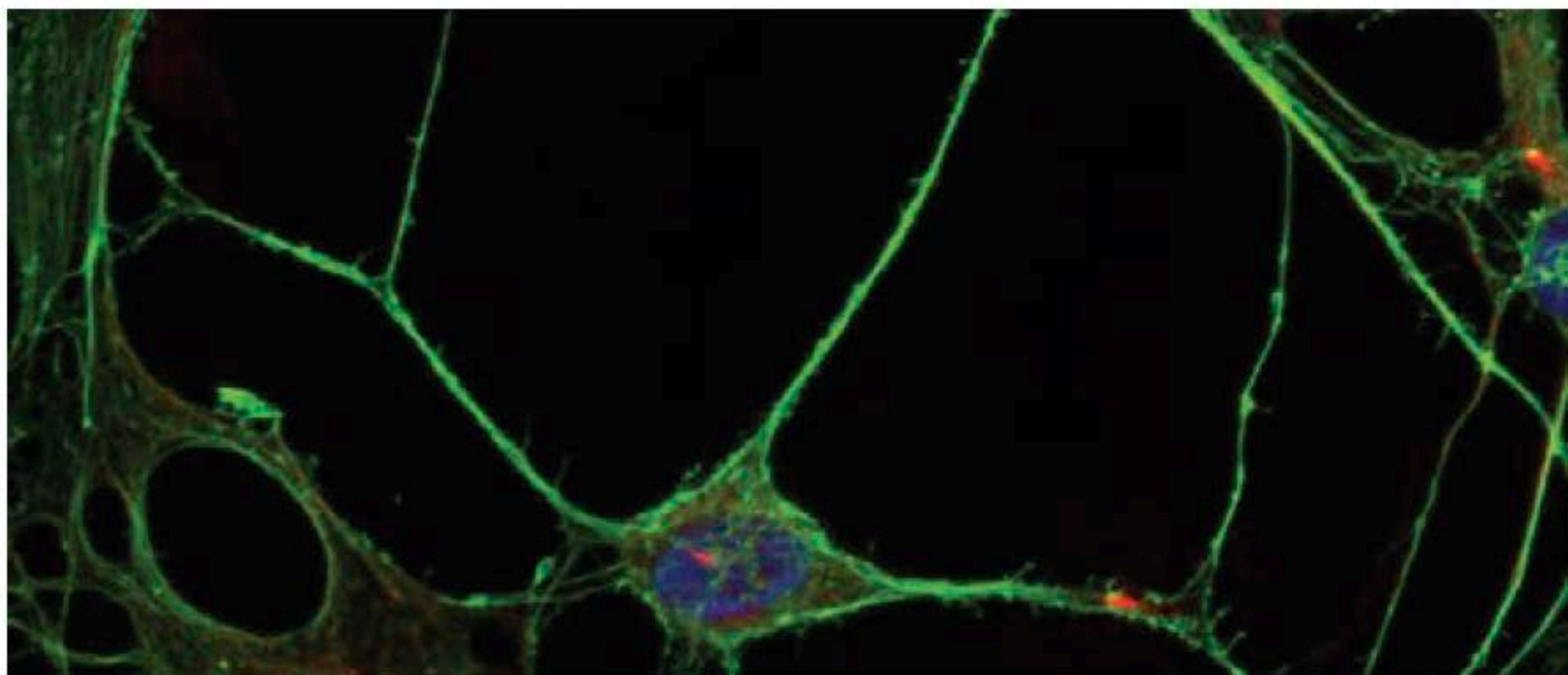
The Reiter Laboratory at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center, with funding from the Foundation of Prader-Willi Research (FPWR), has created a unique collection of biomaterials (RNA and protein) from Prader-Willi syndrome (PWS) dental pulp stem cell (DPSC) derived neurons. This collection includes samples from male and female subjects across PWS genetic subtypes (deletion, uniparental disomy, and imprinting center defects) as well as neurotypical control subjects. In addition to the genetic information collected for each line, we have performed remote autism assessments for each subject. The Social Communication Questionnaires (SCQ) is a validated parent questionnaire, determining the likelihood of autism spectrum disorder (ASD) in an individual. The DPSC cell lines were established from “baby teeth” using the protocol described in Goorha et al. 2017 (1). After the DPSC culture became confluent we differentiated the cells into neurons using a previously published protocol (2).

Briefly, the cells are subjected to epigenetic reprogramming using 5-azacytidine treatment. Following the epigenetic reprogramming, neurotrophic factors and PKC and cAMP activators were used to promote the neuronal differentiation. Finally, the cultures were maintained in a neuronal maturation media for 4 weeks. After maturation, the neuronal cultures were pelleted for RNA or protein extractions. Total RNA was isolated using the Zymo Direct-zol RNA Kit (Zymo Research) and protein was extracted using N-PER Neuronal Protein Extraction Reagent (ThermoFisher). RNA and protein were aliquoted and stored at -80 degrees.

1. Goorha, S. and L.T. Reiter, Culturing and Neuronal Differentiation of Human Dental Pulp Stem Cells. *Curr Protoc Hum Genet*, 2017. 92(21): p. 21 6 1-21 6 10.
2. Kiraly, M., et al., Simultaneous PKC and cAMP activation induces differentiation of human dental pulp stem cells into functionally active neurons. *Neurochemistry International*, 2009. 55: p. 323-332.

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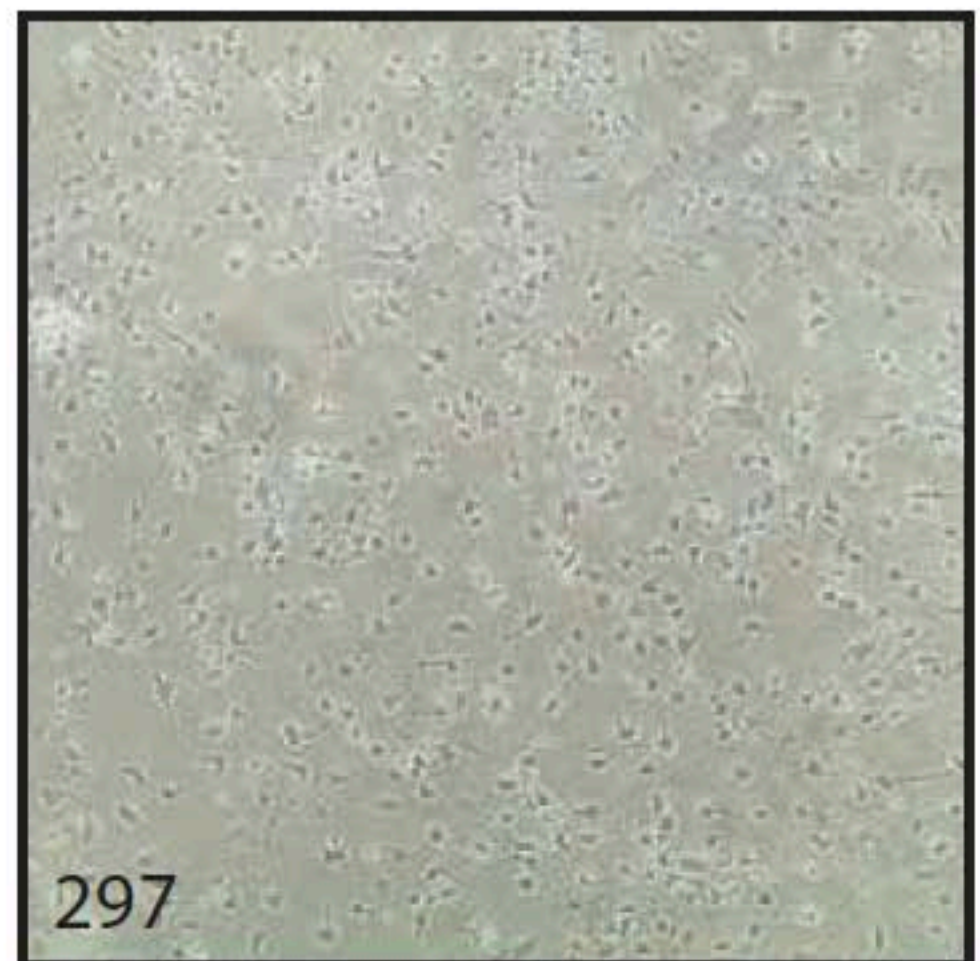
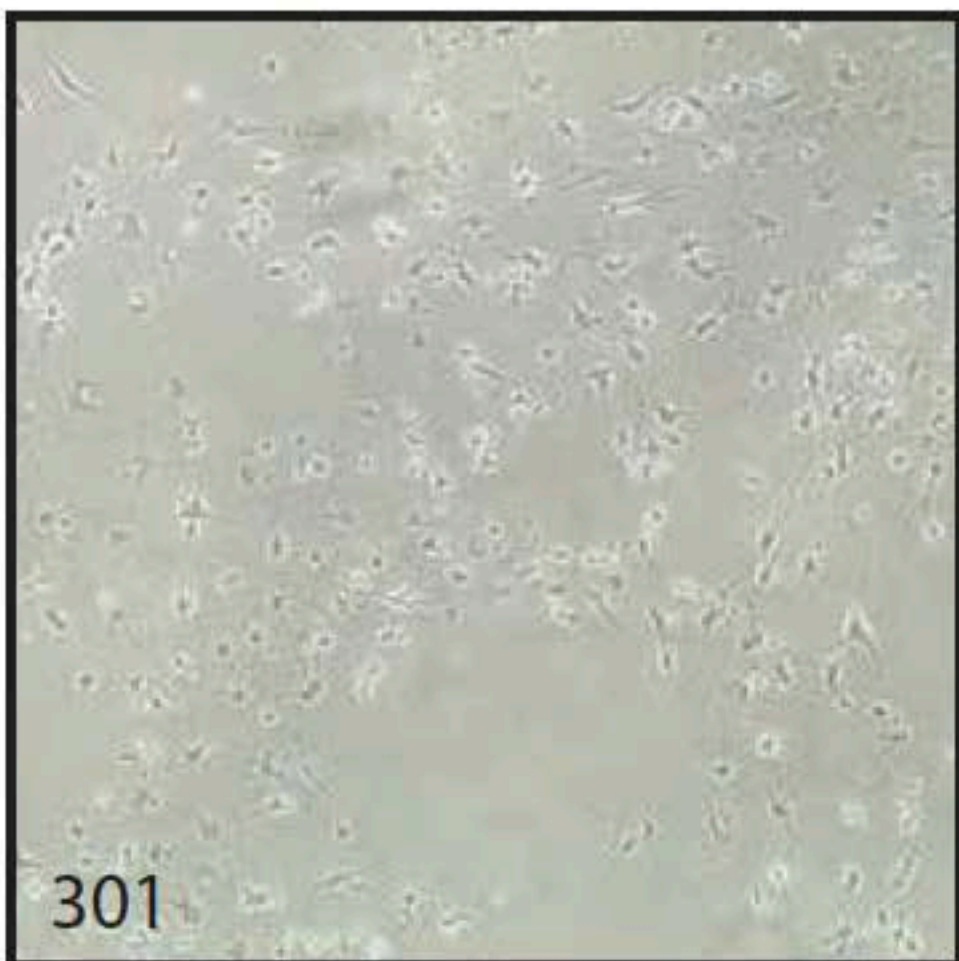
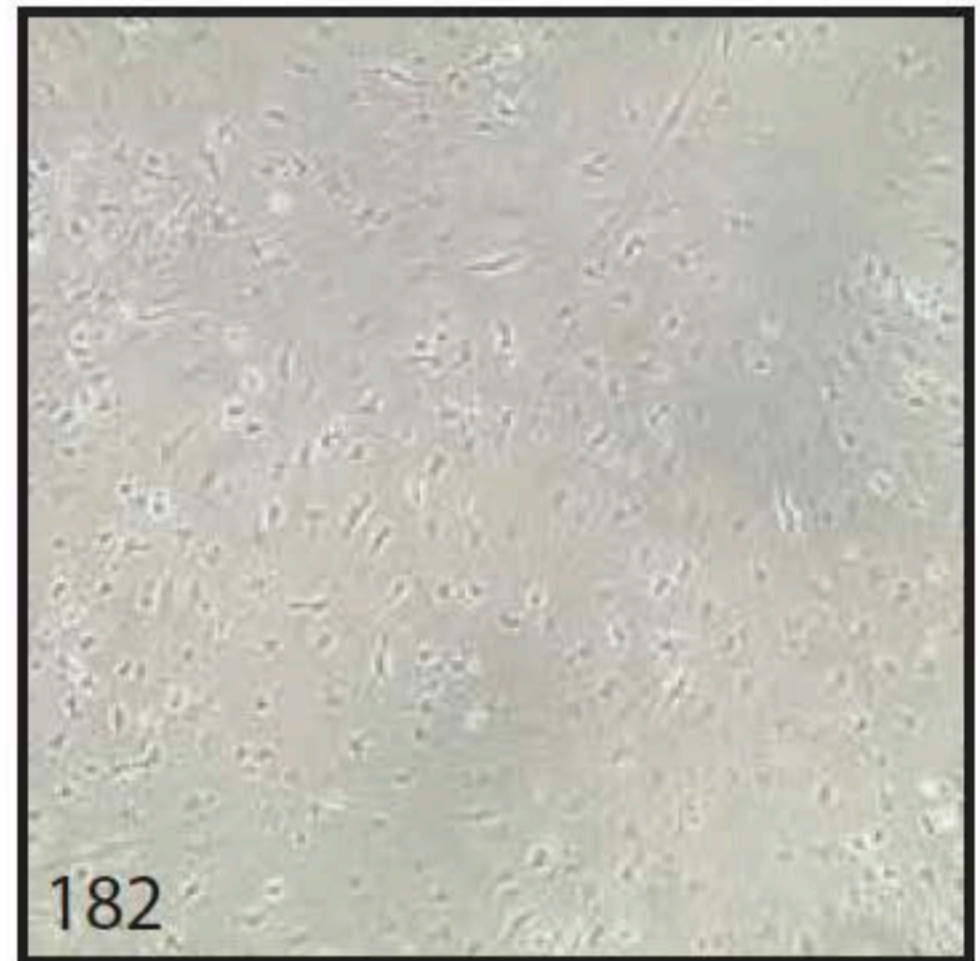
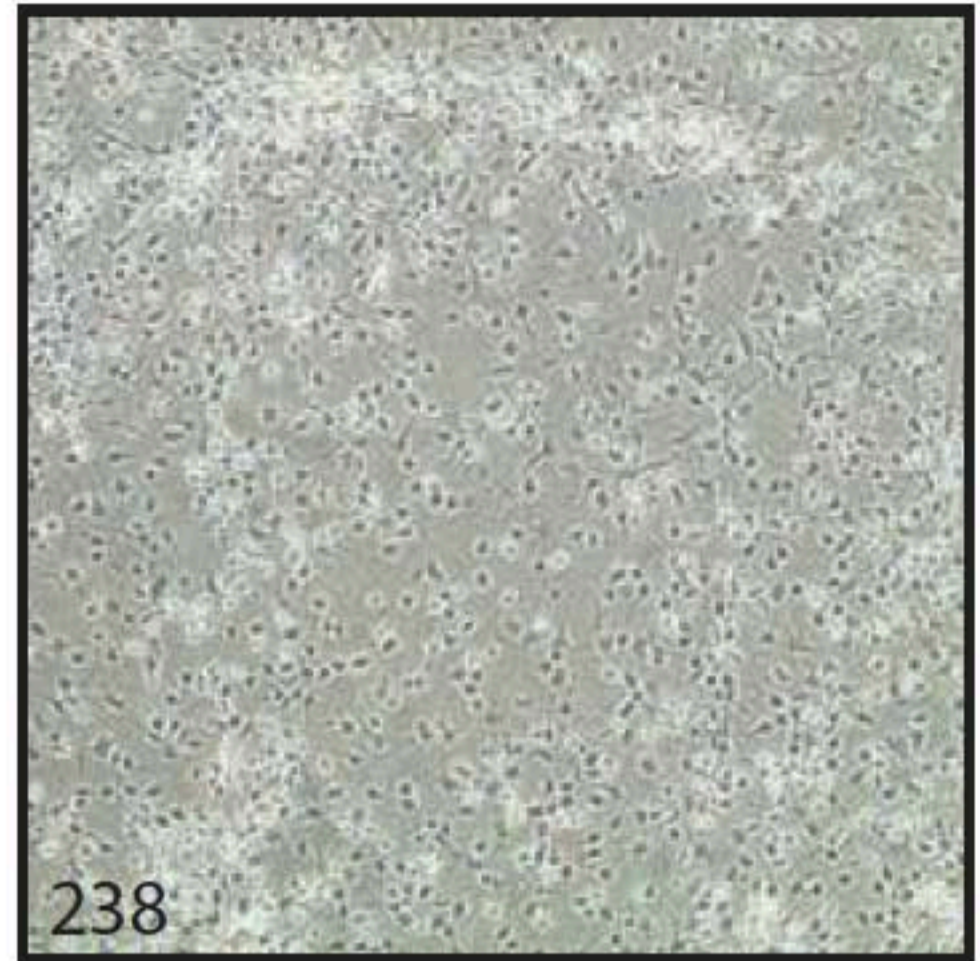
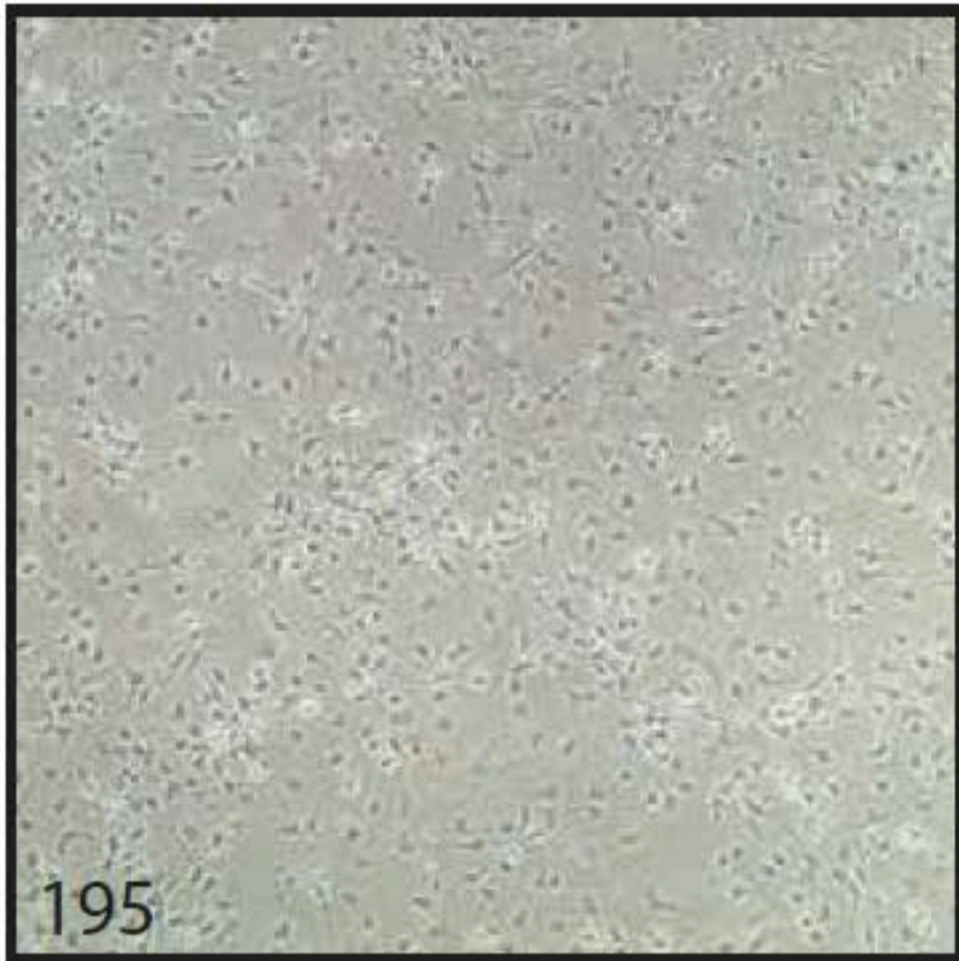
AVAILABLE CELL LINES				
Cell Line	Diagnosis	Sex	Age	SCQ Score
195	Neurotypical Control	M	4.4	8
238	Neurotypical Control	M	8.3	0
312	Neurotypical Control	M	8.0	2
182	Neurotypical Control	F	12.8	6
301	Neurotypical Control	F	11.4	2
297	Deletion	M	5.6	9
298	Deletion	M	5.8	10
192	Deletion	F	13.3	11
258	Deletion	F	5.5	7
106	IC Defect*	M	9.8	23
319	IC Defect*	F	5.3	15
191	UPD	M	7.1	6
228	UPD	M	10.2	18
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249	UPD	F	8.1	4
268	UPD	F	6.6	25

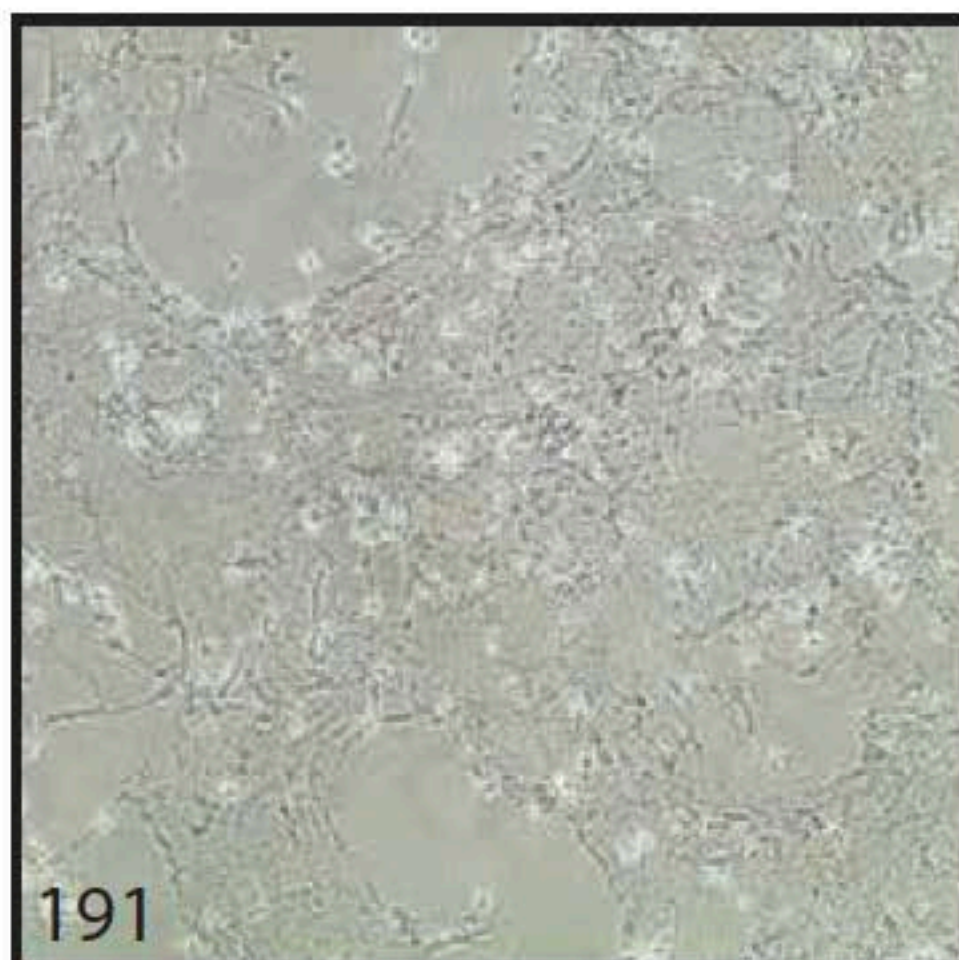
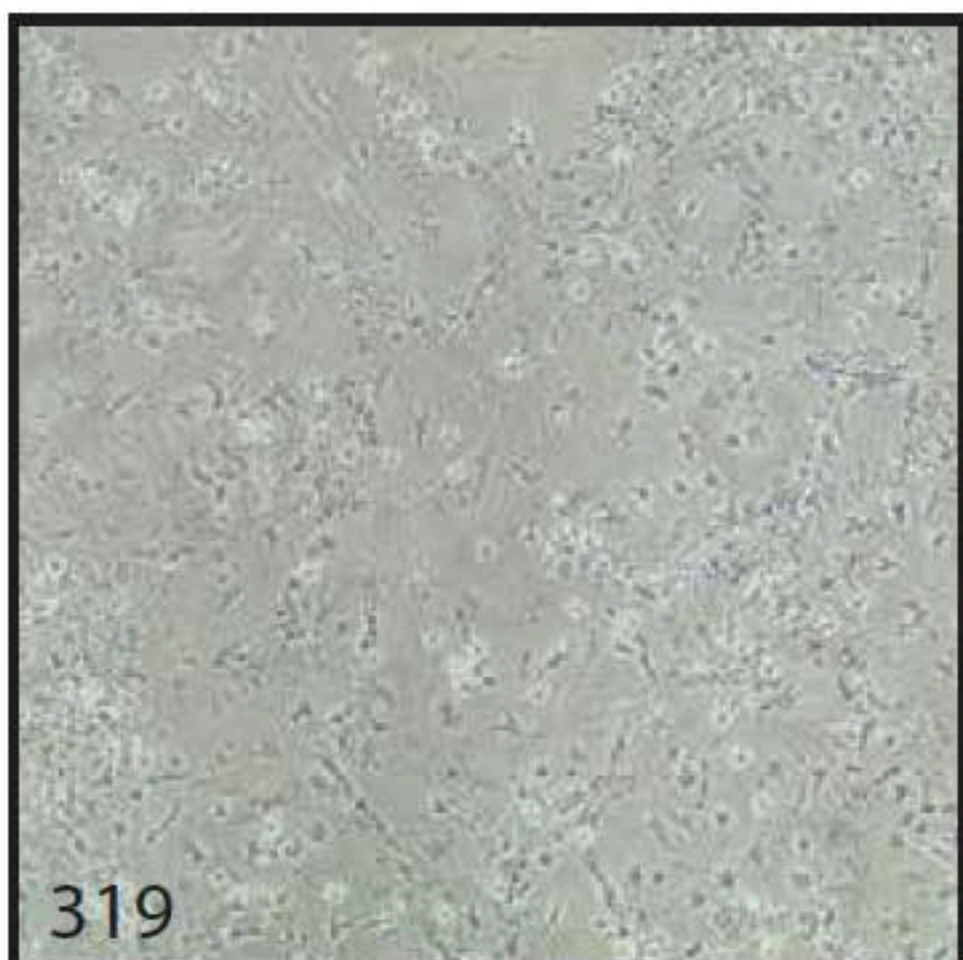
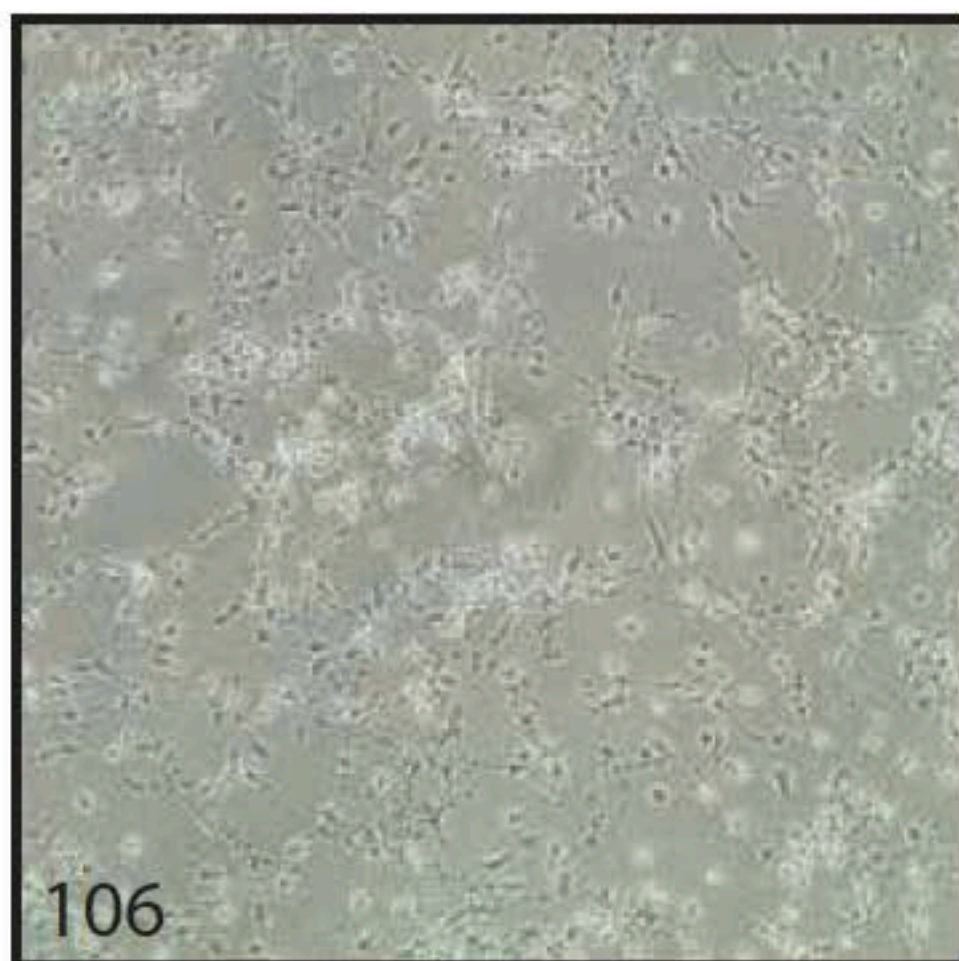
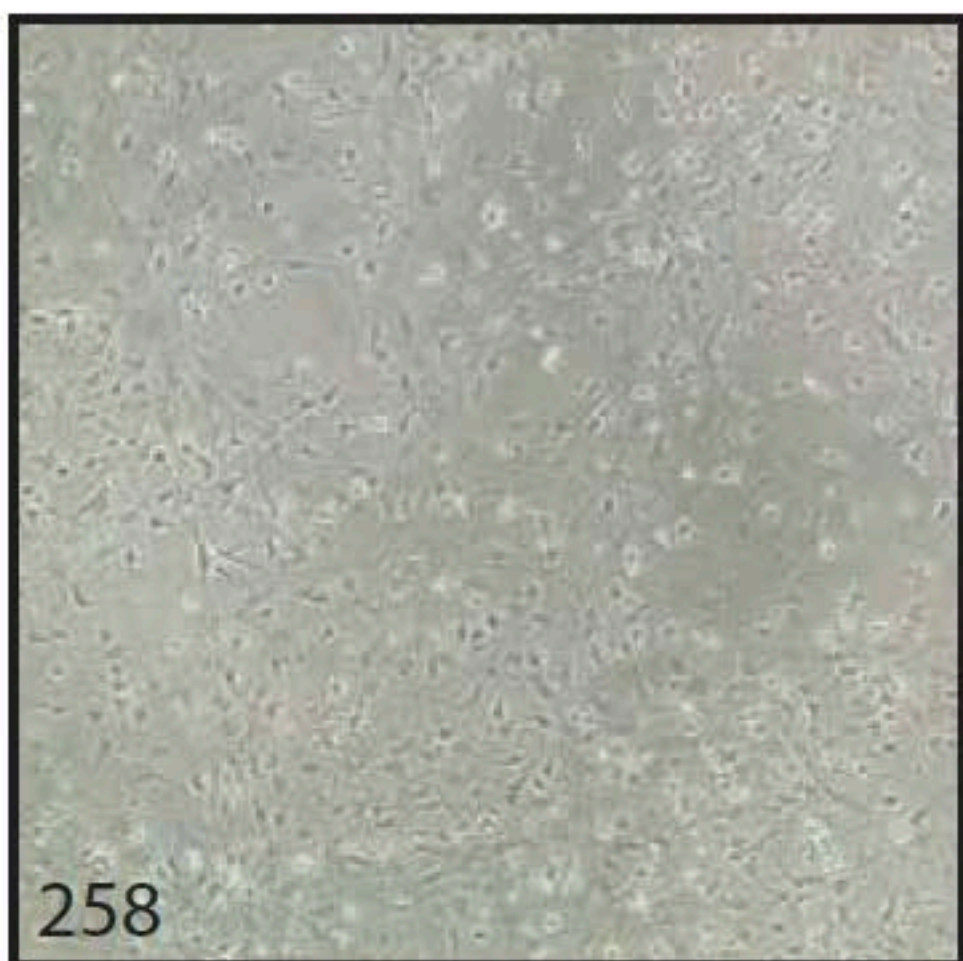
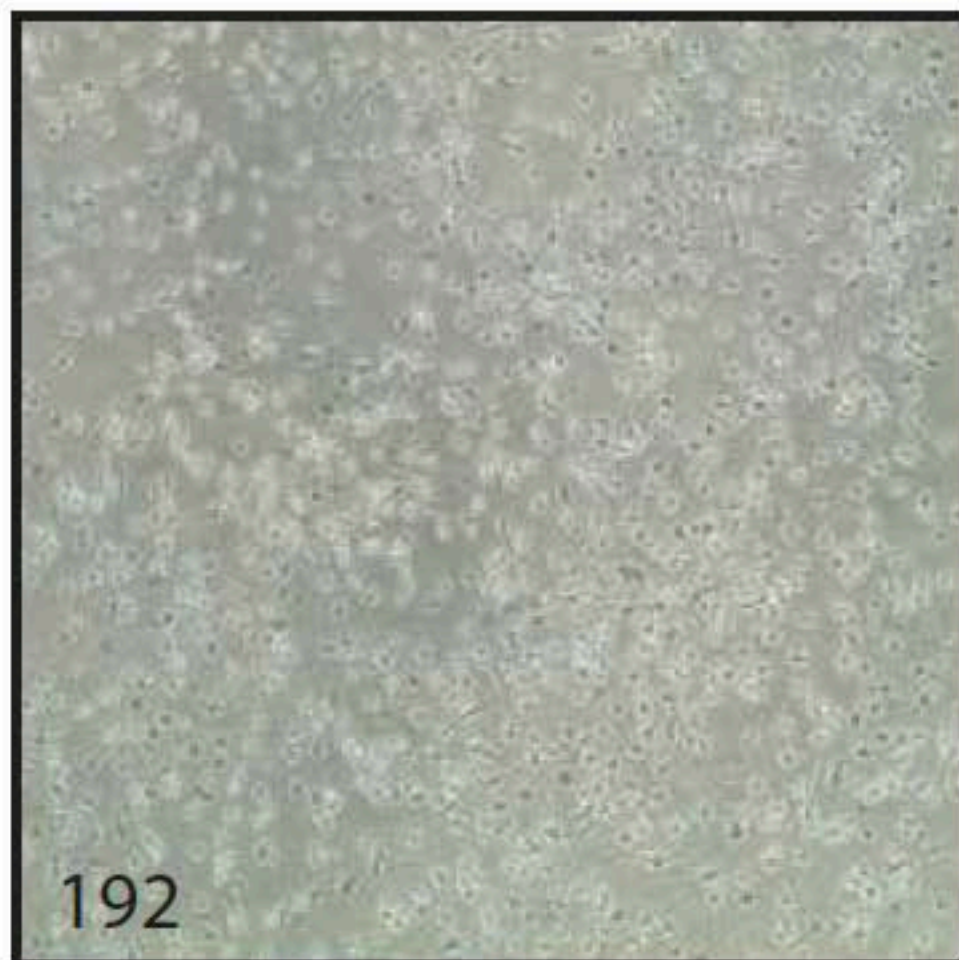
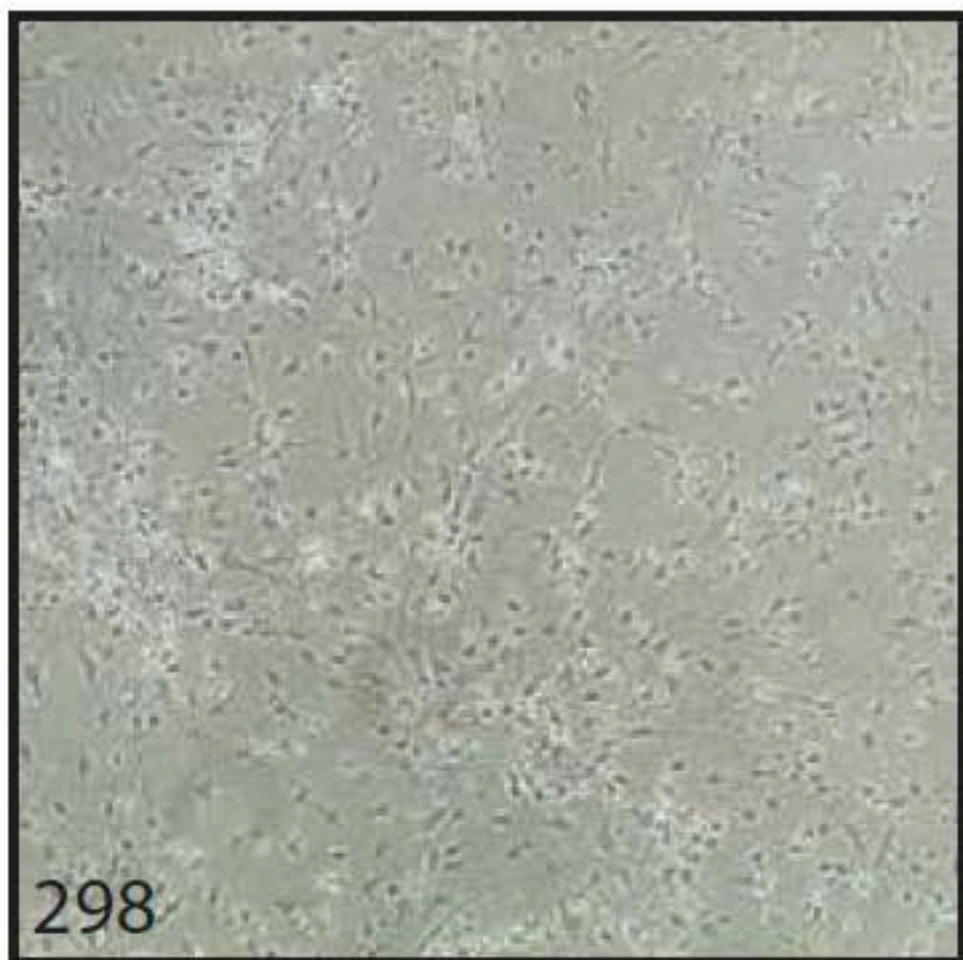
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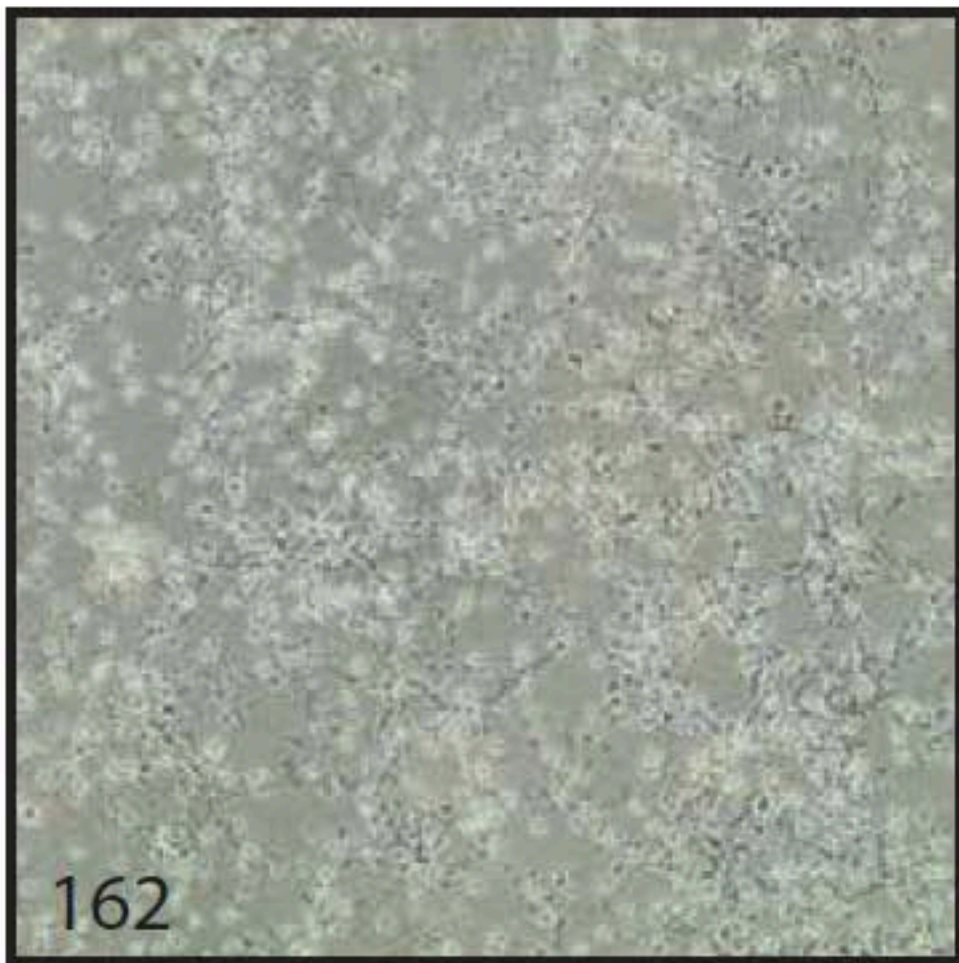
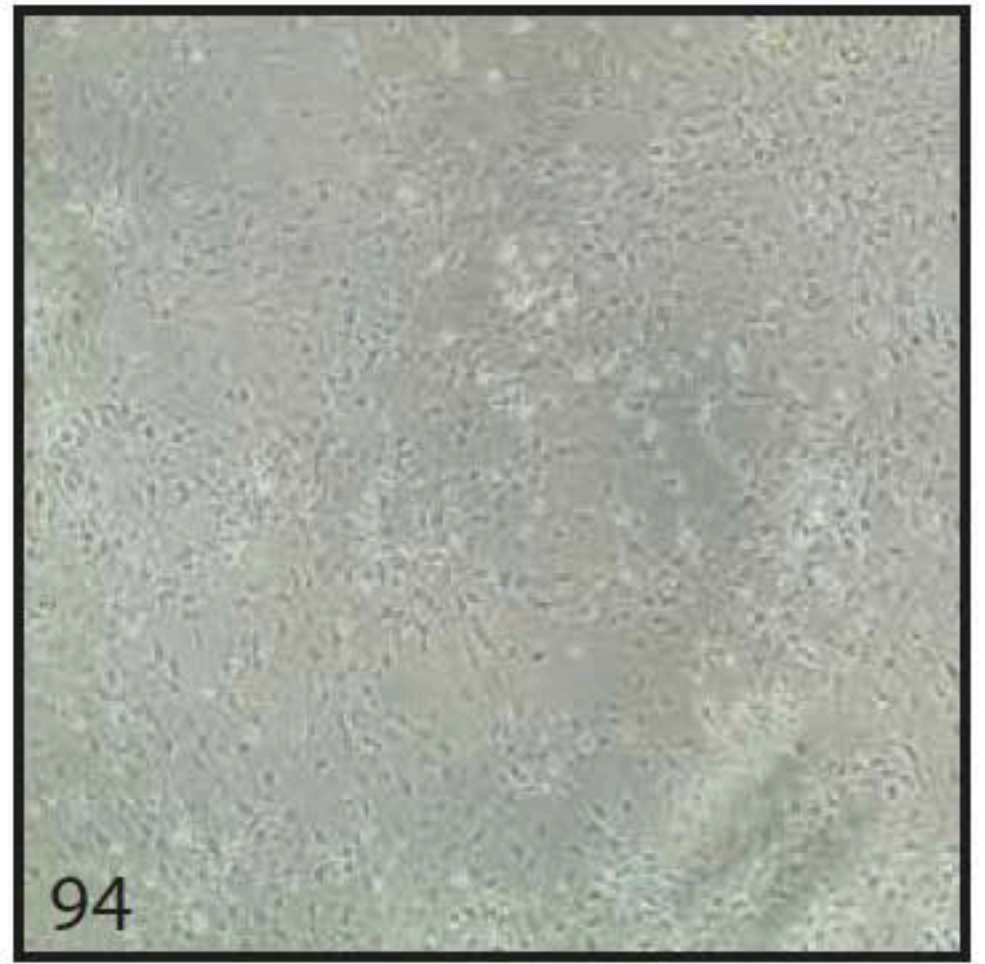
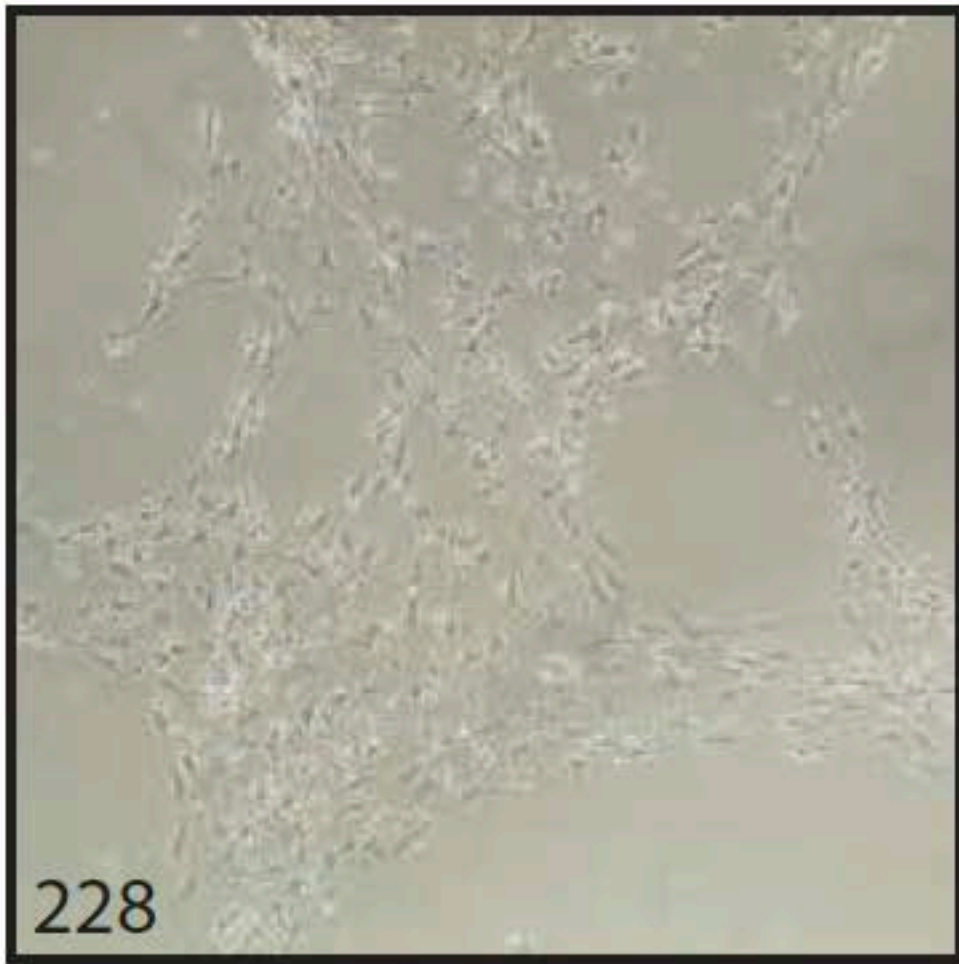
SCQ (Social Communication Questionnaire) score ≥ 15 = possible ASD

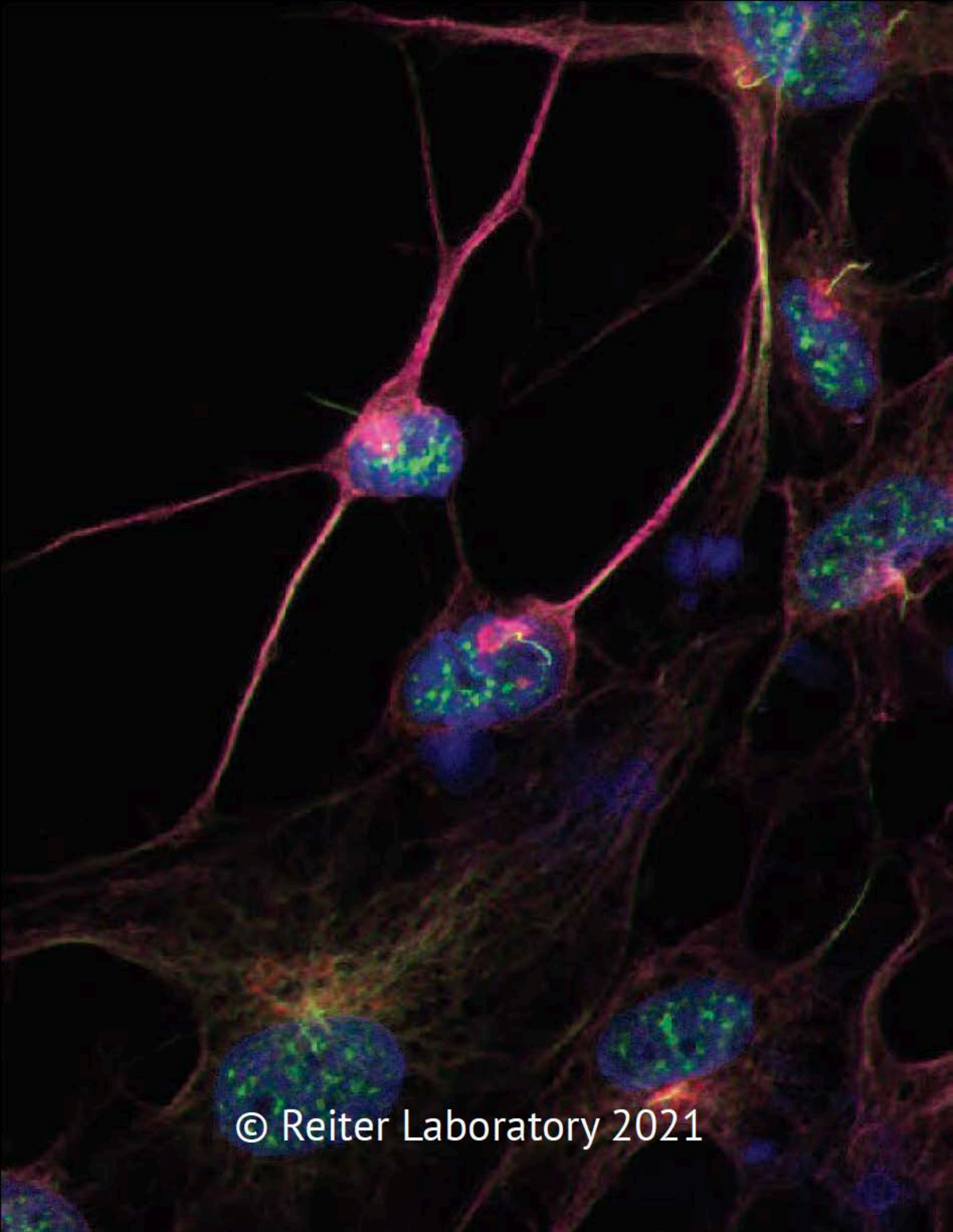
*Deletion and UPD ruled out by FISH and methylation testing

Representative Images of Neuronal Cultures









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