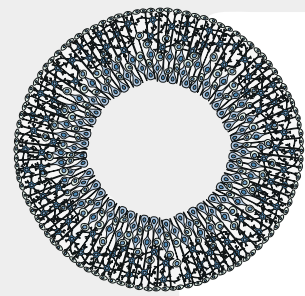


# pluripotent stem cell-derived organoids

## media recipe quick reference guide

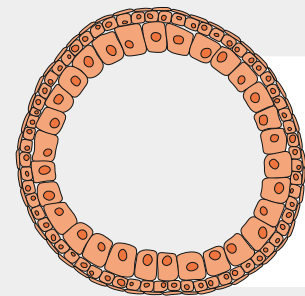


### cortical

BDNF, FGF-8, GDNF, TGF-β1  
Jacob *et al.* 2020

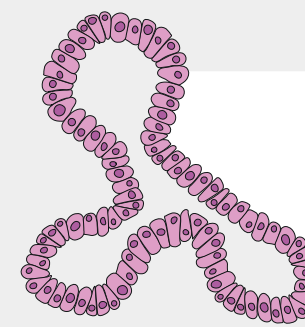
### retina

IGF-1  
Regent *et al.* 2020



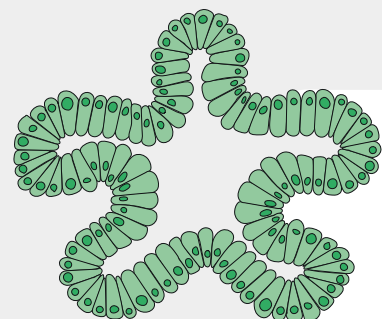
### lung

activin A, FGF-4, FGF-10, noggin  
Dye *et al.* 2015



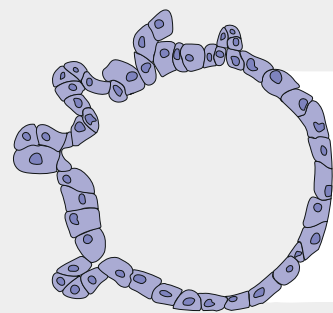
### mammary

FGF-10, HGF  
Qu *et al.* 2017



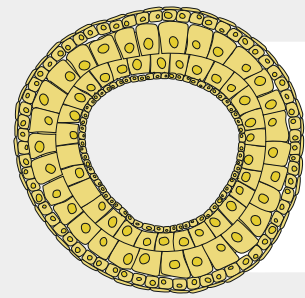
### stomach

activin A, EGF, FGF-4, noggin, Wnt3a  
McCracken *et al.* 2014



### pancreas

activin A, BMP-4, FGF-4, noggin  
Koike *et al.* 2021



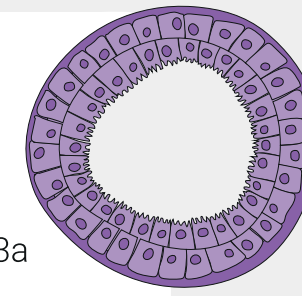
### skin

FGF-2, BMP-4  
Lee *et al.* 2020

### esophagus

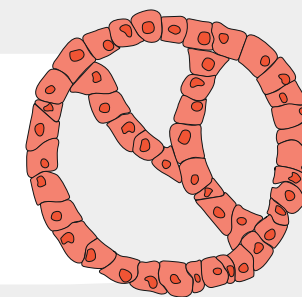
activin A, BMP-4, EGF, FGF-2, FGF-10, KGF, noggin  
Zhang *et al.* 2018

activin A, BMP-4, EGF, FGF-4, FGF-10, noggin, Wnt3a  
Trisno *et al.* 2018



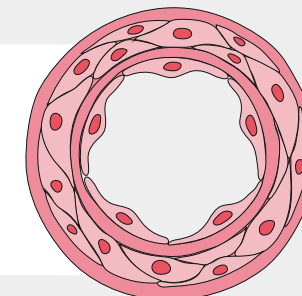
### heart

FGF-2, TGF-β1  
Drakhlis *et al.* 2021



### blood vessel

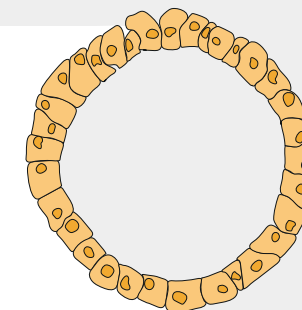
BMP-4, FGF-2, VEGF-A  
Wimmer *et al.* 2019



### liver

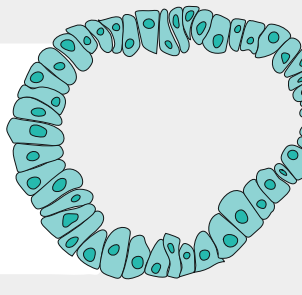
activin A, OSM, (Wnt3a)  
Sekine *et al.* 2020

activin A, BMP-4, BMP-7, EGF, FGF-2, FGF-19, HGF, KGF  
Ramli *et al.* 2020



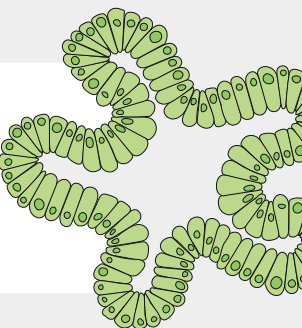
### kidney

FGF-9  
Takasato *et al.* 2015



### intestine

activin A, EGF, FGF-4, noggin, R-spondin 1, Wnt3a  
McCracken *et al.* 2011



### three steps for choosing your growth factors

- 1 consider why you are using each growth factor: research alternative forms, optimize protein concentration and consider sources of experimental variability
- 2 look for evidence of protein quality and complete product data
  - quantitative bioactivity data with EC50
  - clear SDS-PAGE gel, with high protein loading and staining so you can see spurious bands
  - purity data such as mass spec to check protein identity, analytical reverse phase and endotoxin testing with limit <0.05 EU/μg (if relevant)
- 3 find a reliable supplier with good scientific support and rapid delivery (you don't want to run out mid-experiment!)

### quick handling guide



1  
centrifuge  
lyophilized  
protein



2  
add reconstitution  
solution  
final concentration  
> 50 μg/ml



3  
wait 5 minutes  
and mix gently  
optional - add  
carrier protein



4  
make single use  
aliquots and freeze  
-20°C or -80°C < 1 year

### reconstitution calculator

for full reconstitution guidance  
see [qkine.com/your-proteins](http://qkine.com/your-proteins)

mass in  
vial (μg)

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desired  
concentration  
(μg/ml)

1mg = 1000μg 1μg = 1000ng

× 1000 =

volume to  
add (μl)

### how is Qkine improving growth factors for organoids



#### animal-free

Unmatched quality and reliability. All our proteins are made in a dedicated animal-free laboratory in Cambridge, UK.



#### total-transparency

Know what you're giving your cells. Stringent purity and bioactivity data for all proteins.



#### protein innovation

Solving stem cell culture challenges with optimised forms and animal-free firsts.