

On October 8, 2012, The Nobel Assembly awarded the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine to Shinya Yamanaka and another expert in nuclear transfer for artificially creating the pluripotency of human somatic cells. In the awarding press release and advertising documentary, the Nobel Assembly stated clearly that the prize winner successfully converted somatic cells into pluripotent stem cells by reprogramming genes. But the winner himself did not acknowledge he produced pluripotent stem cells from somatic cells (tissue cells), "My current research focuses on ways to generate cells resembling embryonic stem cells by reprogramming somatic, or skin, cells. I was awarded the 2012 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for my discovery that adult somatic cells can be reprogrammed into pluripotent cells," claimed Yamanaka in his declaration. On the other hand, the first claim of Dr. Xu's organ regeneration application patent (US6991813 [http://www.mebo-

international.com/sites/default/files/8--US6991813-B2%20rsc.pdf]) shows that human somatic cells, cultured in regenerative nutritional substances, can be converted in situ into pluripotent stem cells (keratin 19 expressing stem cells) and regenerate physiological tissues and organs in situ. This procedure has been accomplished in human use. Therefore, Dr. Xu has demonstrated that the human body has the innate regenerative potential to convert somatic cells into pluripotent stem cells; this regenerative potential is not created artificially.

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On December 3, 2012, Dr. Xu sued the Nobel Assembly

[http://prnewswire.netpr.pl/en/pr/229423/first-suit-against-nobel-prize-organization-citingdefamation-and-unfair-competition-practices-is-filed]because of its false and misleading reporting has slandered Dr. Xu's reputation and the vendibility of his patents. Dr. Xu has also publically requested the Nobel Assembly to clarify whether the human regenerative potential by conversion into pluripotent stem cells is innate or created artificially by the Nobel prize winner. "Because this is a principle issue regarding the authenticity of life science and this point has to be clarified. This lawsuit is not only for my title to patent, but also for disclosing the truth of human regenerative potential on behalf of the public," said Dr. Xu, "In almost one year after my submission of the lawsuit against the Nobel Assembly, they have not yet had any response to aforementioned scientific principle issue. Instead, they have delayed the suit by removing the case to a federal court in the same area. In the meanwhile, they produced a documentary video covering the introduction of fake pluripotent stem cells and used it to further promote its misleading information on TV. In this period, my attorney informed me about the Nobel Assembly's invitation for a meeting to discuss the possibility of a settlement. While we would consider settlement as one of the options, because we just want to protect our rights by asking the Nobel Assembly to make a clarification on whether Yamanaka created a real pluripotent stem cell or fake pluripotent stem cell; we have no intention to undermine the reputation of the Nobel Assembly, but the filing of a suit was the only way which we could compel the Nobel Assembly to provide a response."

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On May 8, 2013, Dr. Xu filed a lawsuit against Dr. Shinya Yamanaka

[http://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/dr-rongxiang-xu-patent-owner-of-damaged-organregeneration-a-top-priority-addressed-in-the-2013-presidential-state-of-the-union-files-lawsuitagainst-dr-yamanaka-for-deception-207521351.html], one of the winners of the 2012 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine, for that the cell produced by Yamanaka using reprogramming method is a fake pluripotent stem cell, while Yamanaka named it "induced pluripotent stem cell (iPSC)" in his research and promote his fake pluripotent stem cell using the name and function of real pluripotent stem cell, do fraud with the name of iPSC. Therefore, Dr. Xu sued Yamanaka and asked the Court to grant a relief which would require Yamanaka to refrain from using the terms of real pluripotent stem cell or iPSC to describe his fake pluripotent stem cell. Yamanaka acknowledged in his declaration that "If granted, this declaratory and injunctive relief would severely undermine my reputation in the scientific community, undermine our lifesaving research, and cripple our ability to obtain funding for this research. The damage to my reputation, intellectual property, research, and income would certainly far exceed \$75,000 if the relief requested by the Plaintiffs were granted."

From Dr. Xu's perspective, by employing the name of pluripotent stem cells both the Nobel Assembly and Dr. Yamanaka have committed false advertising. They do so to enhance the prestige of the prize and benefit from popularizing the fake pluripotent stem cell, respectively. Dr. Xu is steadfast in clarifying the defendants' conduct of false advertisements and unfair competition by continuous legal suits, no matter wherever they are and how many interest groups are involved, whereby to restore the authenticity and safety of scientific community.

About Dr. Rongxiang Xu

Dr. Rongxiang Xu is the founder of "Human Body Regenerative Restoration Science" (HBRRS), a renowned life scientist and medical scientist and chairman of the board of MEBO International, a California and Beijing based intellectual property Management Company responsible for managing HBRRS. Dr. Xu is also a standing Member of the Chinese Medical Doctor Association, and Honorable Chairman of the Chinese Burn Association of the Integration of Traditional and Western Medicine.

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