



Module 2 Resource List: Direct Differentiation of Human iPS Cells into Neurons Using Transcription Factors

The resources below were selected by Nan Yang, faculty from Module 2 of Stem Cells and Reprogramming Methods for Neuroscience: An SfN Training Series. These resources supplement their presentation, “Direct Differentiation of Human iPS Cells into Neurons Using Transcription Factors.”

[**Direct Conversion of Fibroblasts to Functional Neurons by Defined Factors**](#)

[**Induction of Human Neuronal Cells by Defined Transcription Factors**](#)

[**Transdifferentiation of Human Adult Peripheral Blood T Cells Into Neurons.**](#)

[**Rapid Conversion of Fibroblasts Into Functional Forebrain Gabaergic Interneurons by Directgenetic Reprogramming**](#)

[**Direct Generation of Functional Dopaminergic Neurons from Mouse and Human Fibroblasts**](#)

[**Direct Conversion of Human Fibroblasts to Dopaminergic Neurons**](#)

[**Direct Conversion of Human Fibroblasts to Induced Serotonergic Neurons**](#)

[**Generation of Functional Human Serotonergic Neurons from Fibroblasts**](#)

These studies lay the foundation for using transcription factor-directed somatic cell to neuronal lineage conversion for disease modeling work.



[Generation of Human Striatal Neurons by MicroRNA-Dependent Direct Conversion of Fibroblasts](#)

[MicroRNA-Mediated Conversion of Human Fibroblasts to Neurons](#)

[Small Molecules Take a Big Step by Converting Fibroblasts Into Neurons](#)

[Small-Molecule-Driven Direct Reprogramming of Mouse Fibroblasts into Functional Neurons](#)

[Generation of Oligodendroglial Cells by Direct Lineage Conversion](#)

[Transcription Factor–Mediated Reprogramming of Fibroblasts to Expandable, Myelinogenic Oligodendrocyte Progenitor Cells](#)

These studies use other small molecules to achieve direct conversion or convert fibroblasts to glial cells.

[Directly Reprogrammed Human Neurons Retain Aging-Associated Transcriptomic Signatures and Reveal Age-Related Nucleocytoplasmic Defects](#)

[Aging in a Dish: iPSC-Derived and Directly Induced Neurons for Studying Brain Aging and Age-Related Neurodegenerative Diseases](#)

These papers demonstrate the advantage of using neurons generated by direct conversion from somatic cells to study age-related neurodegenerative disease.

[Diverse Reprogramming Codes for Neuronal Identity](#)

[Myt1l Safeguards Neuronal Identity by Actively Repressing Many Non-Neuronal Fates](#)

These papers demonstrate that in addition to its application in disease related studies, lineage-reprogramming studies provide a unique way to identify and study the transcriptional regulatory hierarchy for cell fate control.



[Generation Of Pure Gabaergic Neurons By Transcription Factor Programming](#)

[Rapid Single-Step Induction Of Functional Neurons From Human Pluripotent Stem Cells](#)

[Direct Induction and Functional Maturation of Forebrain GABAergic Neurons from Human Pluripotent Stem Cells](#)

These studies use transcription factors to direct the differentiation of human ES/iPS cells to homogenous neuronal subtypes.

[Human Neuropsychiatric Disease Modeling Using Conditional Deletion Reveals Synaptic Transmission Defects Caused by Heterozygous Mutations in NRXN1](#)

[Autism-associated SHANK3 Haploinsufficiency Causes Ih Channelopathy in Human Neurons](#)

[The Fragile X Mutation Impairs Homeostatic Plasticity in Human Neurons by Blocking Synaptic Retinoic Acid Signaling](#)

These publications provide a few examples using human ES/iPS cell induced neuronal (iN) cells.