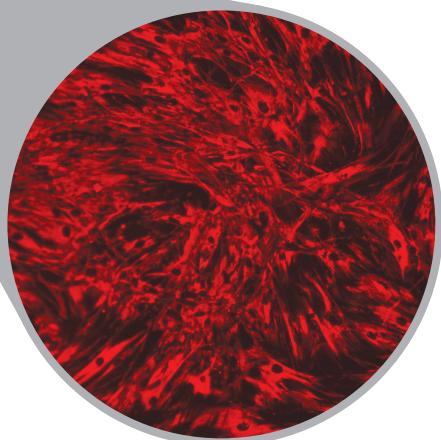
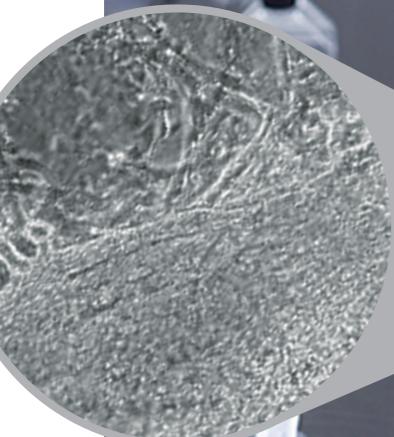


# Initiation

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## Initiation, 2012

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Initiation conducts regeneration of functional human heart muscle developing the capacity of autonomous pulsation. Cardiac tissue engineering comprises stem cells research in order to reconstitute a heart-form engineered human heart tissue *in vitro*. Regeneration involves the implantation of a resorbable organic matrix, i.e. decellularized heart organ, with cardio-myocytes differentiated from human adipose derived stem cells. The pulsative flow enhances the seeded cell attachment and alignment of the cells within the matrix. The technology of implantation and dynamic conditioning enable the engineering of the proliferated cells into a strong fibrin-based tissue stimulated to develop the functional ability of the heart muscle cells, i.e. to perform the muscle contraction. Initiation accelerates the maturation of the tissue and aims to gain its muscle response – it performs the initiation of the cells into functional i.e. contractive tissue and initiates the pulsation of *in vitro* engineered organ. The degree of tissue formation and cardiac myocyte differentiation *in vitro*, contractile function, and electrophysiological properties are the factors upon which the suitability of such tissue for both *in vitro* and *in vivo* application will depend on.

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Iniciacija izvaja regeneracijo funkcionalne mišice človeškega srca z razvijanjem sposobnosti samostojnega pulziranja. Regeneracija vključuje poselitev vpojne organske matrice, t.j. decellulariziranega srčnega organa, s kardiomiociti, diferenciranimi iz matičnih celic, pridobljenih iz človeškega maščobnega tkiva. Iniciacija pospeši zorenje tkiva ter stremi k dosegu mišičnega odziva – izvaja iniciacijsko celic v funkcionalno, t.j. krčljivo tkivo ter iniciira pulziranje in vitro konstruiranega organa.

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