AMMRA: form communication to integration

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History of AMMRA

- April 2006, Shanghai, AMMRA
 - Asian Mouse Mutagenesis and Resource Association
 - President: Kenichi Yamamura
- Mission
 - To promote the mouse mutagenesis projects and to facilitate access to mouse resources in Asia
- Goal
 - Use of mouse models for understanding the genome function and improvement of human health"

Founding members of AMMRA key institutions for mouse resource/service

- Japan
 - CARD, Kumamoto University, Kumamoto
 - BioResource Center, REKIN, Tsukuba
- Korea
 - Bio-Evaluation Center, KRIBB, Daejeon
- China
 - MARC, Nanjing University, Nanjing
 - Shanghai Laboratory Animal Center, CAS, Shanghai
 - Inst. Laboratory Animal Science, CAMS, Beijing
 - Shanghai Research Center for Model Organisms, Shanghai
- Taiwan
 - National Laboratory Animal Center, Taipei
- Singapore
 - Biological Resource Center, Biopolis

Annual Meetings of AMMRA

- 2007, Nanjing, China IDB, Fudan University
 - •2008, Daejeon, Korea
 - •2009, Kumamoto, Japan
 - •2010, Taibei, Taiwan, joint with AFLAS
 - •2011, Singapore, joint with SLAS
 - •2012, Nanjing, China, Joint with AMPC 2nd President: Xiang Gao

Communication among centers

- Resource center
 - BioRes Ctr, CARD, SLAC, MARC, NLAC, IDB, KRIBB, BRC
 - PB insertional mutants(>7000 lines): IDB
 - Trap mutants (>500 strains): CARD
 - KO mutant(>400 strains): MARC, SRCMO
 - Cryopreservation is required!
- Transgenic service center
 - MARC, SRCMO, CARD, BioRes Ctr, NLAC, KRIBB
- Research center
 - MARC, IDB, BioRes Ctr, KRIBB

More consortium.....

AMPC

- Asian Mouse Phenotyping Consortium
- July 2010, Tsukuba, Japan
- June 2011, Seoul, Korea
- March 2012, Nanjing, China

Memebers

JMC/BioRes Ctr (Wakana), MARC/NJU(Gao), KMMPC/SNU(Seong), TMC/AC(Yan),
 BMRC/KRIBB(Nam), IDB/FudanU(Wu),
 NLAC(Jiang)

 Promote the coordination and development of advanced strategies and service platforms for phenotyping and informatics.

Opportunities, Challenges, and Solutions

0:

- Catch with the international trend
 - IKMC hub?
 - IMPC member: BioRes Ctr & MARC
- Promote the funding from national agency
 - ChCOMM grant, PB grant, Japan/Korea/Taiwan KO grants

C:

- •Where is AU?
- Broad Communication vs. Integrated program
- S (undergoing collaboration):
- Joint resource database
- Standard SOPs for phenotyping and other procedures
- Training courses (from colony management to phenotyping)

Mouse Resource and Service in MARC



History of mouse genetics in China

➢ Before 2000

Fancy mice: paintings from Beijing Palace Museum

Sporadic reports on spontaneous mutants with defects on eyes and fur color;

From 2001 to 2006

National Resource Center for Mutant Mice

Mutagenesis platform: ENU, KO and PB

> 2006 to 2009

Government sponsored mutagenesis programs in Nanjing, Shanghai and Beijing

Beyond 2009

Focus on development of disease models and new approaches for mutagenesis

MARC (National Resource Center for Mutant Mice)

MOST of China initiated a 3-year project (50 mil RMB) to establish the NRCMM and called for applications in 2001. Our proposal from Nanjing University was funded. MARC was established for executing the program.

2002.5	construction started
2004.1	mouse facility running, two labs moved in
2006.4	co-found AMMRA
2006.10	AAALACI accreditation
2007.1	initiation of ChCOMM
2010.11	initiation of expansion plan
2011 9	ioin IMPC

MARC/NRCMM Services

- Strain Breeding and Distribution
- Cryopreservation / Rederivation
- Genome Modified Mice Establishment
- Mice Phenotyping Platform
- Training and Education

Mouse Facility current Standing

Facilities in two buildings (~2000 m²)
 Research facility
 Production facility



 > 850 strains of mutant mice live: 600 strains cryopreserved: 533 strains



SPF barrier with >25,000 IVC cages

NEW MARC

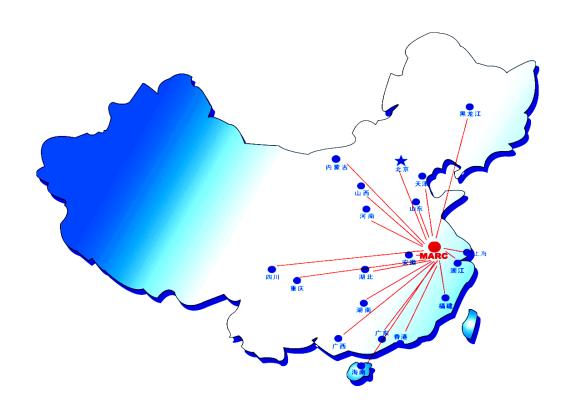
> From 2013

Generating more KOs: ES to mouse phenotyping and disease model development

New facility with 65,000 IVCs TOTAL 90,000 IVCs



Collaboration and Service Region in China and abroad



More than 200 laboratories in over 20 provinces

- ---UK
- ►MRC/Sanger/Beatson...
- ---US
- ▶UC Davis/Jackson/Harvard ...
- ---Asia (AMMRA)
- ▶RIKEN/NLAC...
- ---other regions
- Western Australia University (Australia)

Mutant strains in China: 2001-2010

2001		2010
transgenic	< 3	> 500
gene targeting	0	> 400
other mutant	< 4	?
imported	< 20	> 1000

A Young Research Institute

17 laboratories, 174 employees, 146 PhD students

Procuses:

Cardiovascular research

Metabolic diseases

Tumor biology

Circadian clock regulation

Reproductive biology

Developmental regulation

■Models:

Mouse / Zebrafish / Xenopus / Drosophila

Mission:

perform biomedical research provide trainings in disease models center for mouse mutagenesis and resource

Standing:

more than 200 employers
more than 100 graduate students/postdocs
over 800 strains of mice
17 research laboratories
publish more than 50 papers per year
capable of generating over 150 KO/year

17 Pls from oversea joined in



Just come out!



Generation of Genetically Modified Mice by Oocyte Injection of Androgenetic Haploid Embryonic Stem Cells

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SUMMARY

Haploid cells are amenable for genetic analysis. Recent success in the derivation of mouse haploid

1978; Latham et al., 2002; Modliński, 1975; Tarkowski and Rossant, 1976), embryonic stem cells (ESCs) established from these haploid embryos have turned out to display a diploid karyotype (Kaufman et al., 1983). In humans, near-haploid cell lines have