

## Stem cell scientist sues Nobel laureate for deception

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**Singapore:** Dr Rongxiang Xu, a scientist who claims to be the founder of human body regenerative restoration science, has filed a lawsuit against Dr Shinya Yamanaka, one of the winners of the 2012 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine, in the Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco, US. The lawsuit alleges, among other things, deception by Dr Shinya Yamanaka.

According to Dr Xu, human somatic cell induction into pluripotent stem cell is his core content of patented scientific route of regeneration of damaged organs and has been accomplished in clinical application.

According to Dr Xu's attorney, [a previous lawsuit was filed by Dr Xu against the Nobel Assembly on December 3, 2012, urging it to clarify certain statements made in conjunction with awarding the 2012 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine](#). Unfortunately, no response clarifying the truth about the science has been received as the case is still pending. Therefore, Dr Xu has filed another lawsuit directly against Dr Yamanaka, for alleged deceptive practices employed by Dr Yamanaka.

Dr Xu's attorney stated that Dr Yamanaka's published statements labeling his artificially transgenic cell study as "induction of somatic cells into stem cells", which was the patented technology of Dr Xu, has caused substantial damages to his reputation and company. Dr Xu claims that Dr Yamanaka has deceived a number of well-intentioned professionals into exploration and research on the life science forefront.

However, Dr Xu believes that Dr Yamanaka has steered these professionals down the wrong path. For example, Dr Xu believes that even the US government was misled into Dr Yamanaka's hype when the 2008 state of the union address mentioned favoring a way to reprogram adult skin cells to act like embryonic stem cells, as claimed by Dr Yamanaka. Dr Xu

believes hundreds of millions in taxpayers' money has been wasted in funding such false science.