

#### **ADVANCED GLYCATION END PRODUCTS**

A main consequence of oxidative stress is the appearance of protein glycation and advanced glycation end products (AGEs) during life time, damaging skin cell membranes. AGEs are directly involved in damage and loss of ECM components, the appearance of roughness, uneven tone, brown patches, thin skin and deep wrinkles.

#### DETOXIFICATION

Healthy skin relies on many endogenous systems to insure repair, disposal or recycling of disrupted biological components. These include machineries of the proteasome, lysosome, autophagy, DNA damage and repair, NRF2 pathway, unfolded protein response, etc.



# DISCOVER OUR COMPLETE IN-VITRO **EVALUATION METHODS**

#### **OXIDATIVE STRESS**

p38 Jak/STAT

CML

JNK

ERK1/2

LC3-II

Exhaustion of the endogenous antioxidative machinery is incriminated in skin ageing. Overall oxidative stress can be measured in presence or absence of external factors, as well as mitochondrial complex II abundance which is inversely correlated with skin ageing.

Vrf2 **m+**IMOX

ROS

#### AGE SPOTS

Ageing process leads to pigmentation disorders (skin macular lesions) of variable melanin content which generally increase (senile lentigo). Rencent data also suggest a link between environmental pollution, ageing signs, and increased age spots.

ANTI - AGEI

**EFFICIEN** 

#### **EXTRACELLULAR MATRIX COMPONENTS**

Structural and functional components of the ECM are profoundly disrupted during skin ageing processes resulting in weakened contraction of collagen fibers, decrease of elastin and proteoglycans abundance, increased metalloproteases activity, etc.



## ALLENGING **SKIN PIGMENTATION**

#### **MELANOSOME TRANSFER**

Melanosomes are transferred to surrounding keratinocytes in which they localize to the perinuclear area.

#### **MELANOGENIC PATHWAYS**

The complex & dynamic process of melanogenesis involves an extensive intercellular cross-talk that activates signalling responses such as MC1-R pathway activation.

#### **ENZYMATIC CONVERSION**

Tyrosinase and tyrosinase-related proteins (TRP-1/2) are the critical melanogenic enzymes responsible for melanin synthesis.

aMSH MC1R

IV

III

TRP-1

#### TYR TRP-2

STX-4

MYO5A

→ MITF

MITH

TYR ←

RAB27A

PAR-2

DISCOVER OUR **EXCLUSIVE** IN VITRO DEVICE DERMOSCOPY

#### **MELANOSOME MATURATION**

During their maturation, melanosomes move towards the extremity of dendrites through a microtubule-dependant intracellular transport.

#### **TRANSCRIPTIONAL REGULATION**

MITF is a major transcription factor that regulates melanocyte function from their development to their response to environmental stimuli controlling melanosome formation and expression of melanogenic enzymes.



INFLAMMATION

ATOPIC DERMATITIS

TEER

FLG

LOR

TNFa

PGE2

IL6

LTB4

IL8

**PSORIASIS** 

#### BARRIER DISRUPTION

Sensitive

-28% -40%

Defects in the protective physical barrier lead to a decrease in expression of differentiation markers such as filaggrin (FLG), involucrin (IVL), loricrin (LOR) & trans-epithelial electrical resistance (TEER) while facilitating allergens/pathogens invasion.

CHRONIC





RHE-PSO

#### MORPHOLOGICAL CHANGES

Inflammatory dermatoses are characterized by the presence of abnormal keratinocyte proliferation (acanthosis) or accumulation of intraepidermal edema (spongiosis) observed in psoriasis & AD, respectively.

RHE

#### NF-KB TRANSLOCATION

Increased nuclear translocation of NF-κB is an important pathogenic factor involved in many acute & chronic inflammatory disorders.



+18%

ACUTE



**CYTOKINES & CHEMOKINES RELEASE** Production of primary proinflammatory cytokines prostaglandin E2 (PGE2), leukotriene B4 (LTB4), in-

terleukin-1 (IL-1), interleukin-6 (IL-6), interleukin-8 (IL-8), & tumour necrosis factor-a (TNF-a).

NF-KB



DIFFERENTIATION & EPIDERMAL BARRIER LIPID SYTNHESIS & TRANSPORT ANTIMICROBIAL DEFENSE CELL JUNCTIONS EPIDERMAL BENEFITS

# **DISCOVER** our TRANSCRIPTOMICS TOOLS for TARGET IDENTIFICATION & MECHANISM OF ACTION

INFLAMMATION & CHEMOTAXIS LIPID HOMEOSTASIS BARRER RECOVERY PRURITUS

### **SKIN BARRIER & TISSUE COHESION**



DEPIGMENTATION MELANOGENESIS AGE SPOTS **PIGMENTATION** 

EXTRA CELLULAR MATRIX MODELING OXYDATIVE STRESS RESPONSE AUTOPHAGY & RECYCLING CELLULAR SENESCENCE DERMAL BENEFITS





RECYCLING & DETOXIFICATION DNA DAMAGE REPAIR DRUG METABOLISM

#### **POLLUTION & DETOXIFICATION**



# POLLUTION AND ENVIRONMENTAL STRESSES



INFLAMMATORY RESPONSE

Pollutants stimulate the release of pro-inflammatory mediators such as PGE2 & IL cytokines.

#### **OXIDATIVE STRESS** RESPONSE

The depletion in enzymatic and nonenzymatic antioxidant capacity leads to a chronic and vicious oxidative state.

#### **DNA DAMAGE & REPAIR**

If not controlled, DNA alterations could affect cell cycle and induce apoptosis.

Among others, Matrix MetalloProteinases contribute to matrix modulation that affects cell-cell/matrix interactions critical for skin integrity.