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(54) **Title**: METHODS FOR PRODUCING HAIR MICROFOLLICLES AND DE NOVO PAPILLAE AND THEIR USE FOR IN VITRO TESTS AND IN VIVO IMPLANTATIONS

(57) **Abstract**: The present invention relates to a method for producing hair microfollicles comprising the steps of: a) providing de novopapillae, b) providing other cell populations selected from the group of fibroblasts, keratinocytes and melanocytes, and co-culturing the de novopapillae with at least one other cell population in non-adherent culture vessels.The present invention relates also to methods of producing de novo papillae usable in said method for producing hair microfollicles.