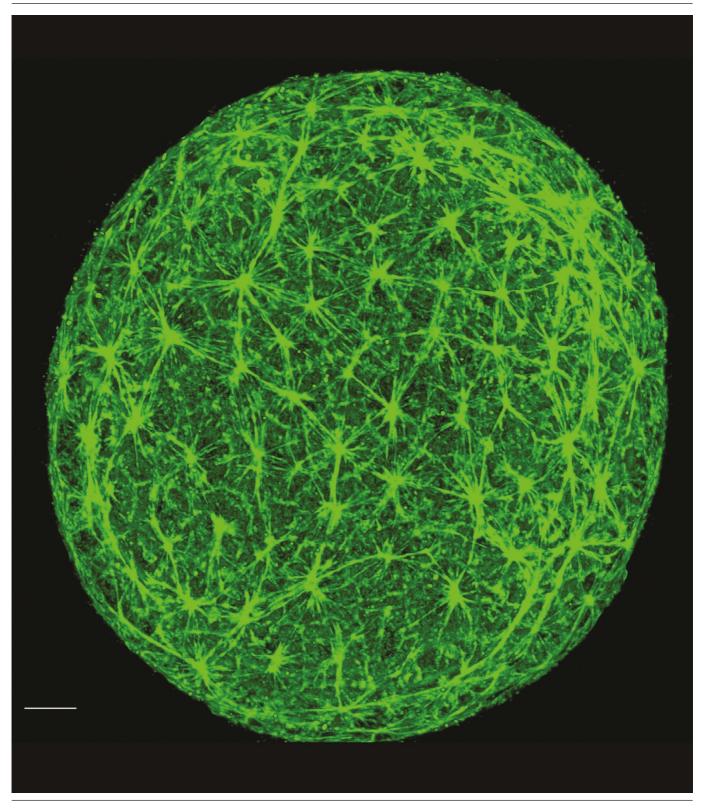
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Actin stress fibres in MDCK cyst grown in collagen gel

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legend Madin Darby canine kidney cells cultured in a collagen gel for 7–10 days form hollow cysts, consisting of a monolayer of polarized cells. Actin was stained with Alexa-Fluo-488–phalliodin. The 3D image was obtained with an LSM 510 laser-scanning confocal microscope (Zeiss, Tornwood, NJ. Scale bar 10 µm. The contributor acknowledges the help of K. Mostov and M. Zegers. **advisors** Ariel Ruiz i Altaba (Developmental Genetics Program, New York University Medical Center, NY) & Lelio Orci (Department of Morphology, University Medical Center, Geneva, Switzerland).

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