

# Corrigendum: Reprogramming to pluripotency is an ancient trait of vertebrate Oct4 and Pou2 proteins

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In Fig. 1 and the first paragraph of the Discussion section in this Article, the genus *Hydractinia* is incorrectly referred to as hydra. The following sentence is correct: ‘Interestingly, the recently identified *Pou* domain gene from *Hydractinia*<sup>18</sup> appears to have the features of an *Oct4/Pou2* precursor gene, as shown in Fig. 1a, suggesting that the common *Oct4/Pou2* ancestor could have already existed even before the specification of vertebrates.’. The correct version of Fig. 1 appears below.

