Group Organization Sheet and Question #1 on Research Paper
given out August 19, 2014
To Be Collected August 19, 2014

GROUP # ________________

1. It is strongly encouraged that each student participates in a study group with four students. **This assignment is to organize your group.** Please print, legibly, the names of each group member, with member number #1 being the contact person for the group. The email address of student #1 should be included. This sheet should be turned in at the end of the Breakout Session on August 19, 2014. When you turn the sheet in to Dr. Mohnen she will give you your GROUP #.

Name: ________________________________________  Email:___________________
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2. We will read and discuss in depth the research paper by Tian et al., Nature 499:346-351, 2013 entitled “High-molecular-mass hyaluronan mediates the cancer resistance of the naked mole rat” through the semester.

To begin your analysis of this paper, work as a group during the breakout session today to briefly answer the following two questions directly on the back of this sheet of paper. Turn your answers in during today’s Breakout (Aug. 19) and turn in your sheet to Dr. Mohnen.

a. What is hyaluronan?

b. By reading the abstract and the first four paragraphs of the paper (or more if desired), summarize in 5-10 sentences your understanding of the goals and findings of this paper. [NOTE: we will work through the details of the entire paper this semester. Today’s question is to see how much you understand from a brief reading/overview of the paper.]