Intravital microscopy: a novel tool to study membrane traffic in physiological conditions and during invasion and metastasis



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Intracellular Membrane Traffic



Transport intermediates







Endosomal recycling



Regulated exocytosis



Physiopathology of the oral cavity

Experimental models to study membrane traffic

Physiological relevance





Intravital Microscopy **Deep tissue Homogeneous tissue** Single-photon Two-photon $E^{*} -$ **Higher spatial resolution** Long term imaging Endogenous emission $\lambda_e > \lambda_{1p}$ Tongue Xenograft GFP-H2B/TX-red dextran/SHG Excitation 930 nm E_0 Salivary glands $\lambda_{2p}=2 \lambda_{1p}$ GFP/mTomato mouse 60x, NA 1.2 **Single-photon** $50 \,\mu \mathrm{m}$ **Two-photon** 150 µm 20x, NA 0.95-1 $140 \,\mu \mathrm{m}$ Brain 500 µm TX-red dextran Excitation 930 nm $50 \,\mu\mathrm{m}$ •

1000 µm

1500 µm

Deeper tissue penetration

⊸ •700 µm



Masedunskas et al., (2008) Traffic, Weigert et al., (2010) Hist. Cell Biol, Amornphimoltham et al., (2010) Adv Drug. Del. Rev





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An experimental system to image subcellular organelles in live animals



- 1) Stability
- 2) Spatial resolution
- 3) Temporal Resolution
- 4) Quantitative analysis

Endocytosis of systemically injected fluorescently labeled molecules

500 kDa FITC-Dextran/ 70 kDa TXR-Dextran



Early endosomes / Lysosomes 70 kDa 488-Dext / 70 kDa TXR-Dext



.....And amenable to pharmacological and genetic manipulations



- 1) Delivery of fluorescent molecules
- 2) Selective delivery of drugs
- 3) Gene transduction

GFP-Clathrin / TGN38-mcherry



Masedunskas and Weigert (2008) Traffic - Sramkova et al. (2009), Am. J. Phys - Weigert et al. (2010) Hist. and Cell Bio



Endosomal recycling



Regulated exocytosis







Intercalated ducts

Regulated exocytosis in salivary glands

1)

TGN

How is the remodeling of the apical membrane, the actin cytoskeleton and the surface of the granule regulated by a stimulus originated from the basolateral pole?

Which molecules are activated during secretion...

Stimulus

1) on the surface of the granule?

2)

2) at the apical plasma membrane?



Exocrine glands in the GFP mouse

Submandibular



Lacrimal





Pancreas

10 um



Sublingual



Adrenal



The architecture of the acini

GFP

GFP/Phalloidin

GFP/Secretory granules







2300-3100
9-10
1.5 – 2.0
0.3-0.4



Dynamics of the secretory granules during regulated exocytosis in vivo

Resting

Stimulated – Iso/Carb

Submandibular gland





Signaling through β-adrenergic and not muscarinic receptors stimulate the exocytosis of the secretory granules in the salivary glands *in vivo*



Secretory granules exocytosis in vivo occurs through single fusion events





Sec Granule Plasma membrane

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10 kDa Texas-Red Dextran







Secretory granules exocytosis in vivo occurs through single fusion events





Actin is recruited onto the secretory granules after fusion with the APM







GFP-Lifeact (F-actin)

Riedl et al., (2008) Nat. Methods Courtesy of Tamas Balla (NICHD)

GFP-Lifeact mouse









Actin is recruited onto the secretory granules after fusion with the APM

GFP-Farnesyl

RFP-Lifeact



Actin is required to complete the collapse of fused the secretory granules







Actin il/lycopiirddatamohliplate thercoildapsatoftficseccretorscortanylesranules Myosin motor ¢ **O Pancreatic acini** Myo IIa **Myo IIa Phalloidin** Phalloidin Myosin MY2B Isoproterenol Control Myo IIb **Myo IIb Phalloidin** MY2A Bhat and Thorn, (2009) MBC

Myosin IIa and IIb are recruited onto the secretory granules



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The impairment of the motor activity of myosin II affects the collapse of the SCGs

Model



Head and Neck Cancer



 Sixth most common cancer in the developed world (500,000 new cases; 250,000 deaths/year)

- 37,000 new cases of head and neck cancer/year (8,000 deaths/year) in U.S. (Cancer satistics, 2010)
- The incidence of oral cancer varies greatly worldwide
- 90-95% are squamous cell carcinoma
- 30-40% are originated from dorsal and lateral tongue
 Survival rate less than 50%



What is the role of membrane trafficking in invasion and metastasis?

Endosomal recycling



Directing molecules to specific locations of the PM Adhesion Signaling Matrix degradation Moving membranes in the direction of migration

Cell motility \longrightarrow Invasion and metastasis

1) Which recycling pathway controls the invasion process ?

2) How is invasion regulated by endosomal recycling ?



What is the role of membrane trafficking in invasion and metastasis?Endosomal recyclingRab GTPase



Close homologue of Rab11a and Rab11b Implicated in recycling in epithelial polarized cells

Interacts with integrin $\alpha 5\beta 1$ (Caswell PT et al., 2007)

Overexpressed in breast and ovarian cancer (Cheng JM et al., 2004)

Downregulated in breast cancer (Cheng KW et al., 2006) Downregulated in colon cancer (Nam KT et al., 2010)

The small GTPase Rab25 is down regulated in human HNSCC tissues



Amornphimoltham et al., man in prep

Experimental model

Xenograft in the mouse tongue





Patel et al., (2011) Cancer Research, Amornphimoltham et al., man in prep

H2B Endog fluo Stromal cells

Experimental model

Xenograft in the mouse tongue



Excitation 930 nm

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Rab25 re-expression blocks invasion and metastasis in vivo



Hela#3-Venus Rab25/ Hela#3-mCherry/ Lyve1



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Rab25 re-expression blocks invasion and metastasis in vivo

Hela#3-Venus



Depth: 180 um

00:00

Hela#3-Venus Rab25/ Hela#3-mCherry





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Rab25 plays an important role in preventing invasion and metastasis



What is the mechanism?

- 1) Pro-apoptotic
- 2) Prevent angiogenesis
- 3) Regulate cell cycle
- Cell motility
 Adhesion
 - Integrin trafficking?

Venus Rab25







No effect of Rab25 on integrin localization or trafficking

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What is the mechanism?

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- 3) Regulate cell cycle
- 4) Cell motility
 - Cytoskeleton
- 5) Adhesion



Rab25 re-expression reduces actin-rich structures at the PM



Hela#3-Venus





Cells migrating in 3D

Phalloidin



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