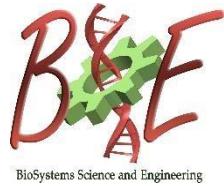




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Cargo induced perturbations in very early endosomal dynamics revealed by lattice light-sheet microscopy

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Abstract

The dynamics and fate of endosomal vesicles following endocytosis at the plasma membrane are central to the understanding of transport phenomena and signal processing by living cells. Imaging multiple species of endosomal markers along with cargoes like transmembrane receptors, cellular pathogens etc. is central to understanding the organizational principles of trafficking. Endosomes, however, display complex behaviors in their dynamics that demands high temporal resolution and at the same time owing to their stochastic motility characteristics in the 3-dimensional milieu, demands volumetric imaging. This poses a non-trivial challenge - volumetric imaging of multiple species of fluorophores in high spatiotemporal resolution in living cells. We capitalize on the Lattice light-sheet based microscopy along with tailored image analysis routines to essentially follow the fate of cargoes post internalization. In the particular study, I will describe complex relations between the dynamics of endosomes marked by APPL1 and EEA1 in non-cargo steady-state conditions as well as the first time points of transferrin and EGFR entry into vesicles. We find that while transferrin does not alter the 'state' of endosomal dynamics, EGFR actuates a subset of endosomes and alters the localization of APPL1 and its trafficking characteristics. We further show that this process is dependent on calcium and that the APPL1 results in a shunt pathway of EGFRs to the peri-nuclear region..

About the Speaker

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