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Titre du projet : Role of membrane contact site during lysosome reformation.

Résumé du Projet de Stage (en 300 mots maximum, mots clés en gras)

The endosomal pathway is composed of continuum of compartments that sort endocytosed proteins and lipids toward recycling, lysosomal degradation and exosomal secretion¹. To do so, the **endosomes** undergo multiple morphological changes through their maturation that allows the generation of export tubules or intraluminal vesicles. A new level of regulation of endosomal maturation involves non-fusogenic apposition of the membranes of distinct organelles such as those of endosomes and endoplasmic reticulum, which are called **membrane contact sites** (MCS). MCS are required for lipid exchange between compartments and have been recently implicated in the **generation of export tubules**. Our laboratory has demonstrated the role of the complex PIKfyve, which generate Pi3,5P2, in the generation of endosomal tubules² from endolysosomes and the relevance of this process in the recycling of lysosomal materials and physiological amyloid formation³⁻⁵. We have identified new interactants of the PIKfyve complex that are involved in MCS required for endosomal tubulation and could act during lysosomal reformation. Importantly, our unpublished data suggest that such process may have prominent role in the metabolism of the amyloid Abeta peptide that is central in the etiology of the **Alzheimer's Disease**.

Our project aims at better understanding the role of MCS in lysosomal reformation and its relevance in pathological amyloid metabolism. We will first investigate the role of the newly identified interactants during PIKfyve regulated lysosomal reformation with a specific focus on generation and function of MCS during this process. Then we will assess the relevance of such process in the etiology of Alzheimer's Disease and in particular in the homeostasis of pathological amyloids. For this project, the applicant will profit from an international environment and use and apply a combine **imaging** (live cell, electron microscopy, correlative microscopy), **biochemistry** and molecular biology approaches on neuronal/glial cell lines and primary cells.

Publications de l'équipe, relatives au stage proposé

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