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Titre du projet : Protein trafficking : how do trains find the right tracks ?

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

Protein trafficking is a hallmark of eukaryotic cells. The most spectacular one is the movement of protein complexes driven by molecular motor along microtubules. A central unanswered question is **how do motors select microtubules for initiating movement**. This can be compared to trains searching for appropriate tracks for trafficking.

Our team is investigating this process using the flagellum trypanosome as model system. We have shown that trains traffic on a defined number of microtubules (Bertiaux et al. 2018). The aim of the project will be to decipher how trains select particular microtubules for trafficking using a combination of reverse genetics (RNAi, CRISPR-Cas9, gene deletion) and imaging technologies (live imaging of protein trafficking, expansion microscopy, electron microscopy).

This multidisciplinary project is a collaboration between the Trypanosome Cell Biology Unit (P. Bastin) and the Ultrastructural Bioimaging Unit (A. Mallet) of the Institut Pasteur.

Publications de l'équipe relatives au projet de stage (max 5)

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