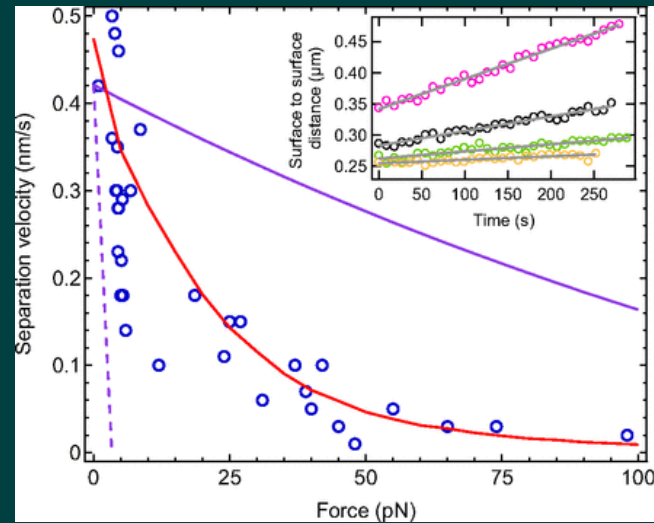
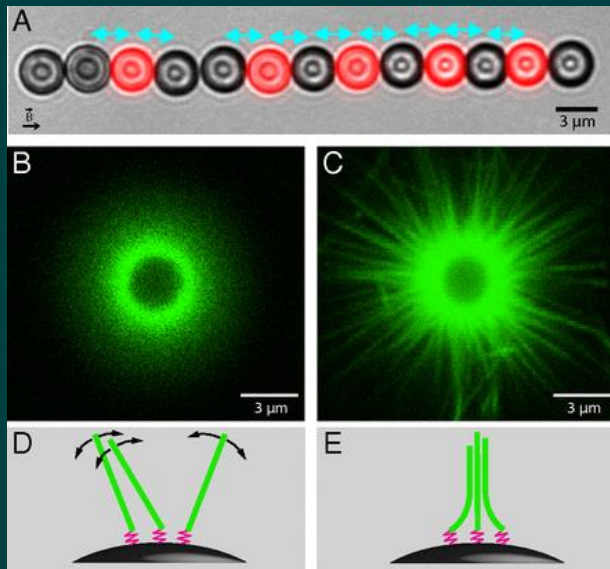
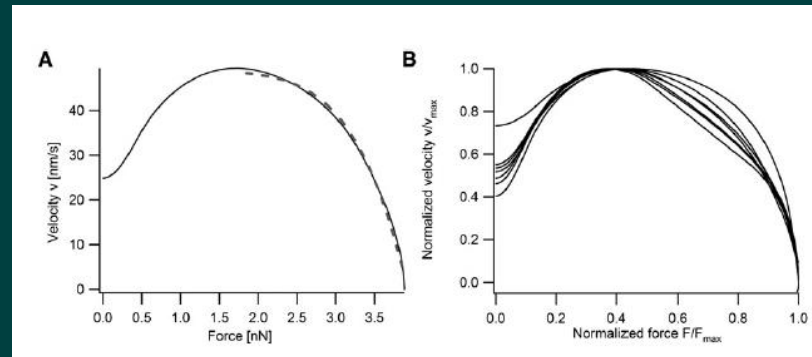
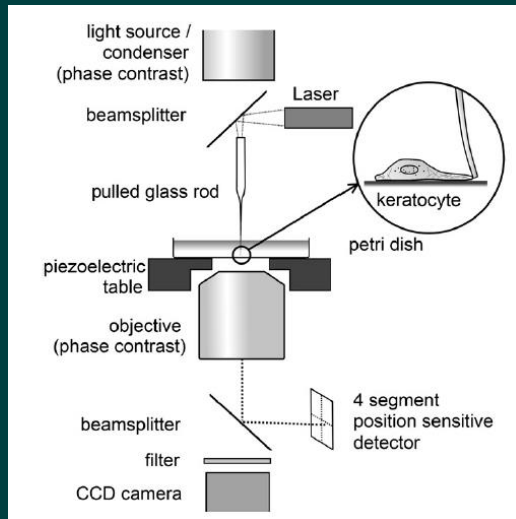


last time: Force production by actin filament assembly in vitro and in vivo

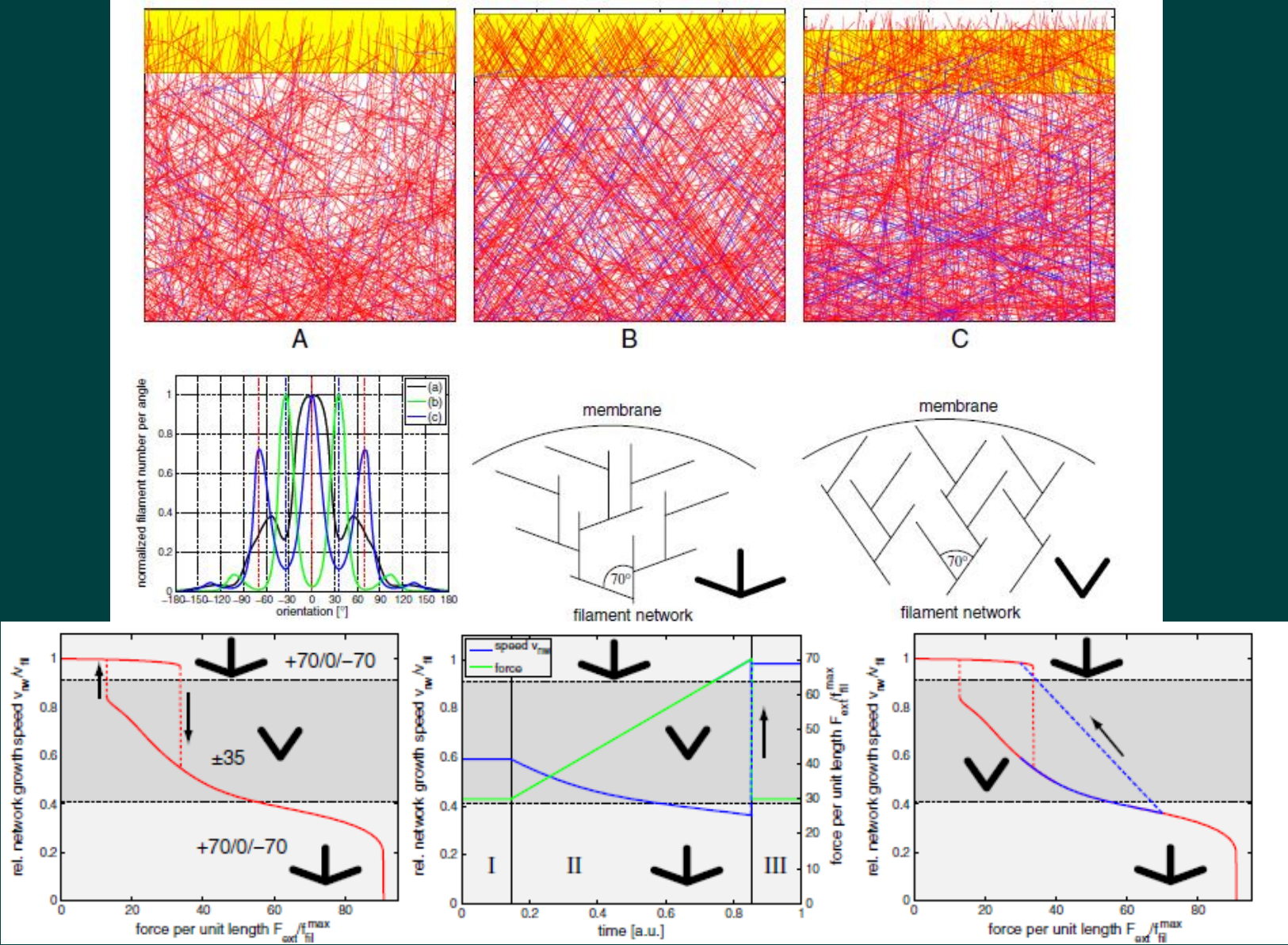


Démoulin et al, 2014

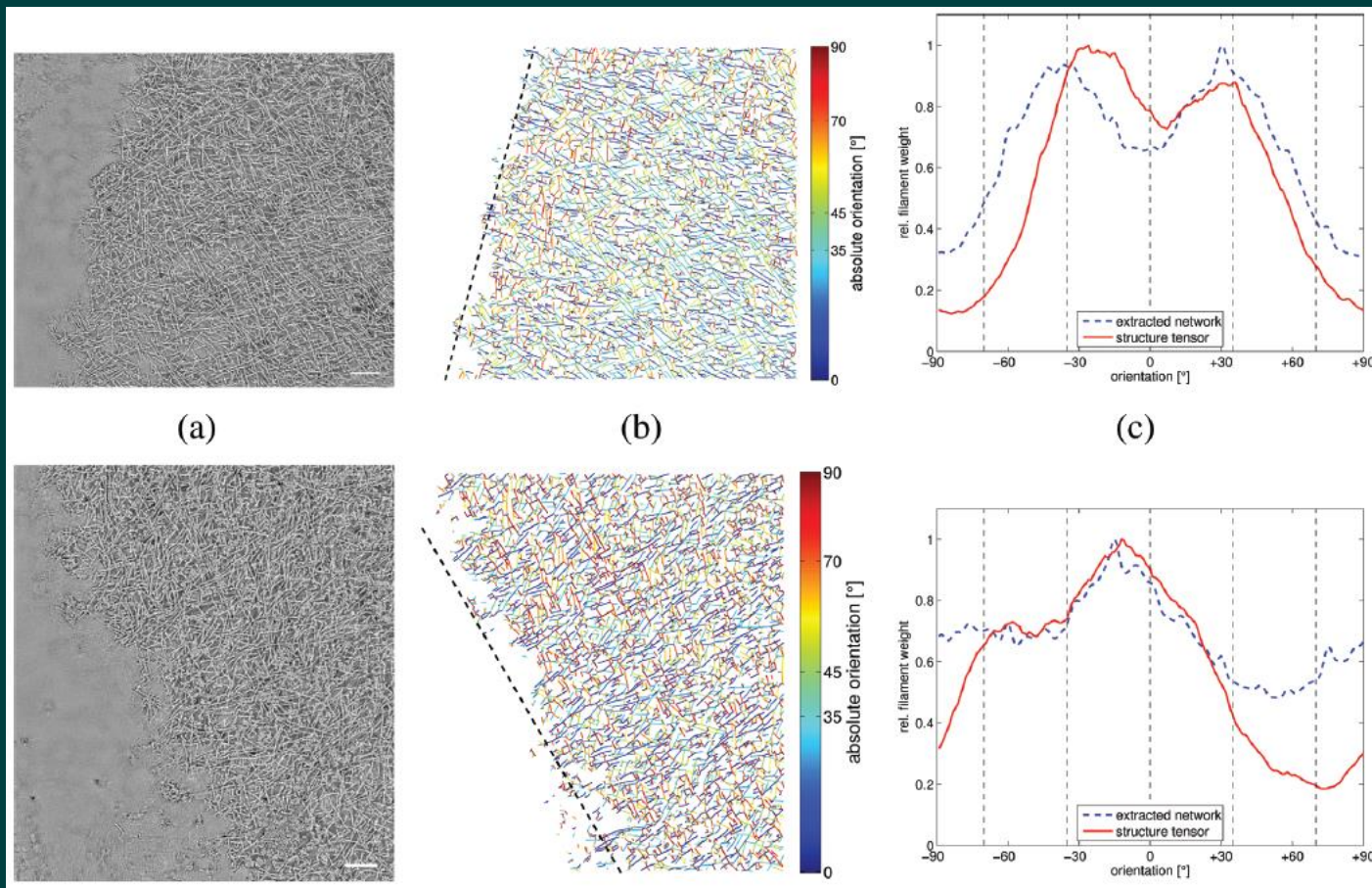
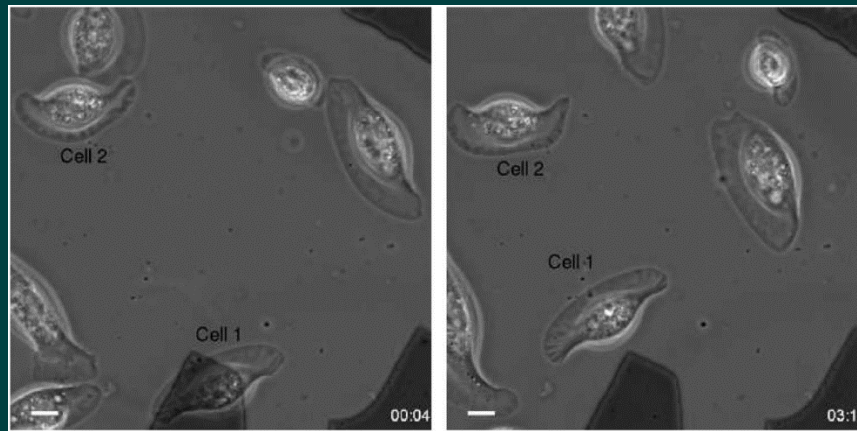


Heinemann et al., 2011

Orientation matters: Anomalies in force-velocity relationship result from change of filament orientation



Filament orientation in fast and slow cells



Weichsel et al.,
2012

Filament length matters for force production

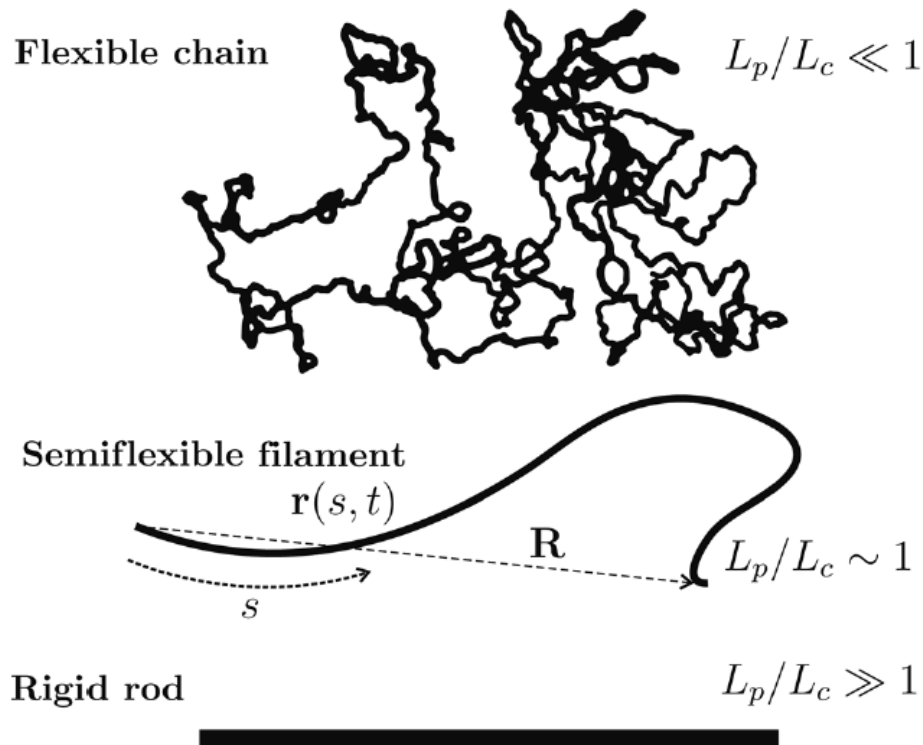


Fig. 1 Chain conformation depends on persistence length, L_p , and contour length, L_c . Flexible chains take a random coil formation, semiflexible filaments are comparatively straight with thermally induced bending undulations, and rigid rods are not influenced by thermal energy.

Persistence length L_p

buckling force

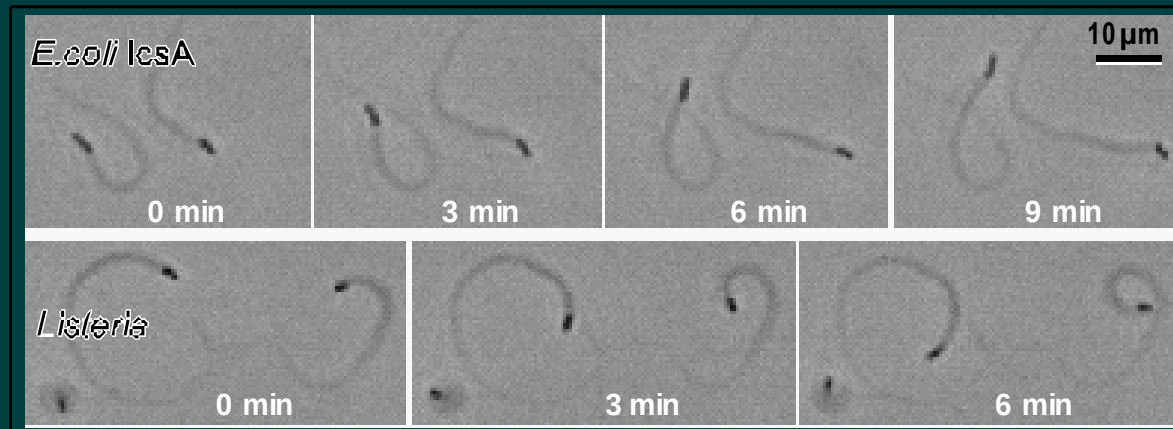
$$F_{\text{crit}} = 12 \frac{k_B T \xi_P}{L^2}$$

for 1 μm actin filament
with $\xi = 10 \mu\text{m}$

$$F_{\text{crit}} = 0.5 \text{ pN}$$

Pritchard et al., Soft Matter, 2014

What proteins could regulate actin filament length in the branching network?



Rate :
2 to 3 μ m/min

Essential Proteins :

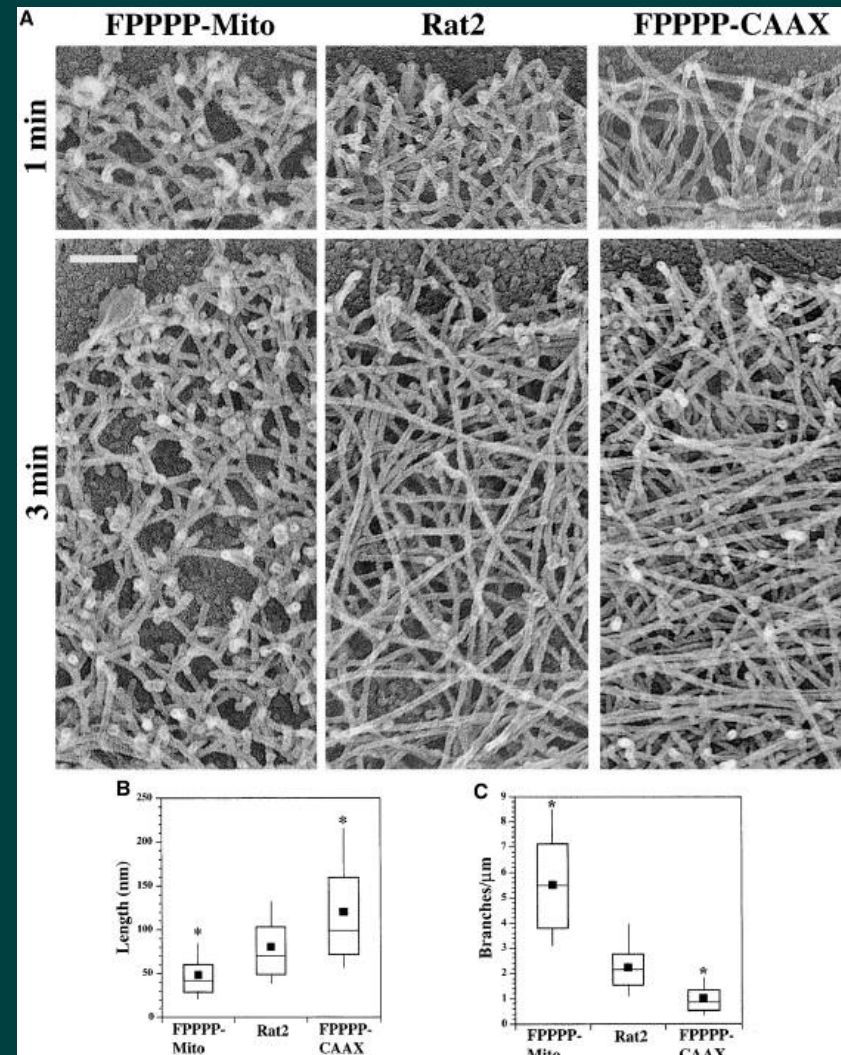
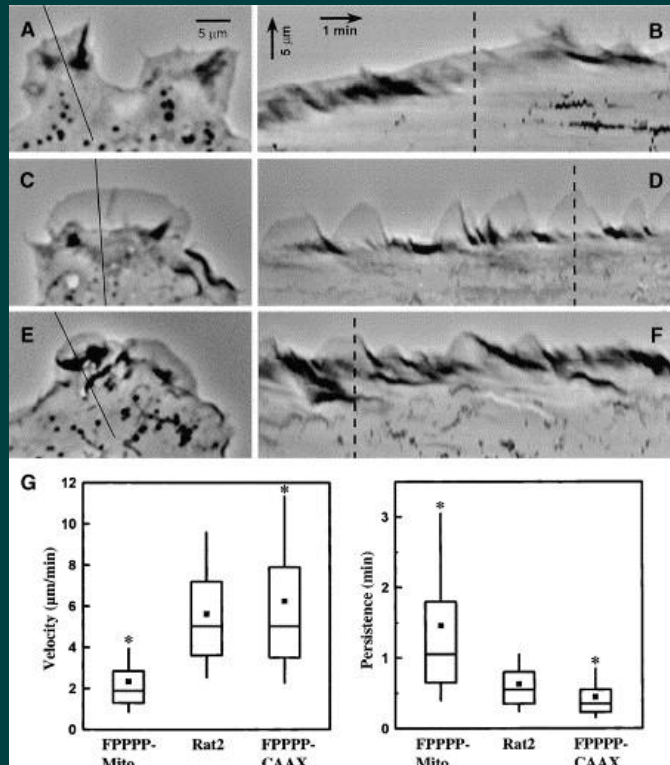
N-WASP	IcsA-bound
Arp2/3	0.1 μ M
Capping Protein	0.1 μ M
ADF	2 μ M
ATP-actin+F-actin	8 μ M

almost all of them!

Useful Proteins :

Profilin	2 μ M
α -actinin	0.5 μ M
VASP	0.1 μ M

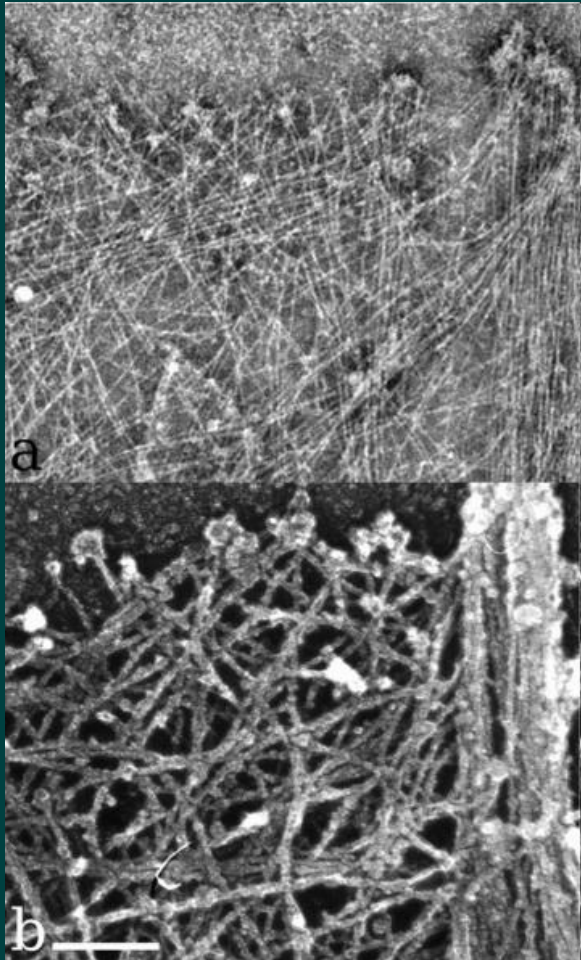
VASP increases actin filament length and protrusion speed but decreases protrusion persistence



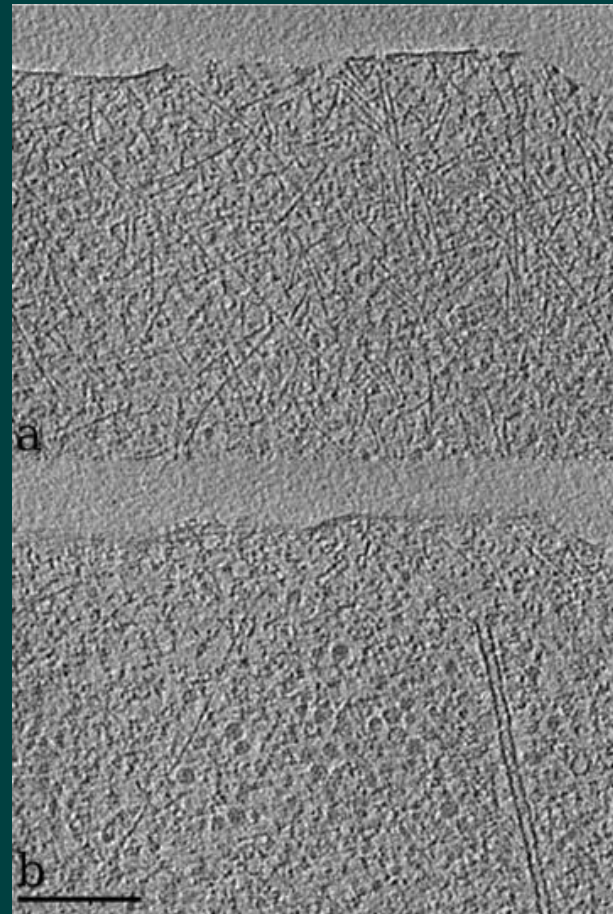
Bear et al., Cell, 2002

filament length is difficult to measure with electron microscopy

negative staining



electron tomography



freeze-drying/metal replication

Small et al., 2008

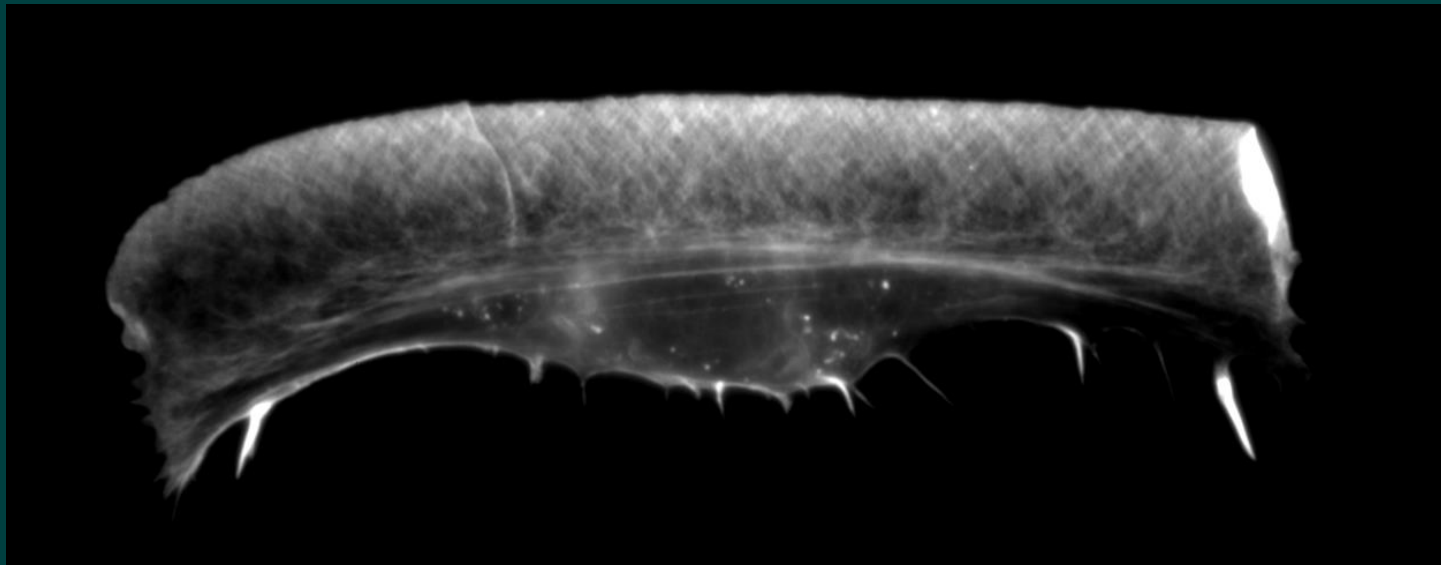
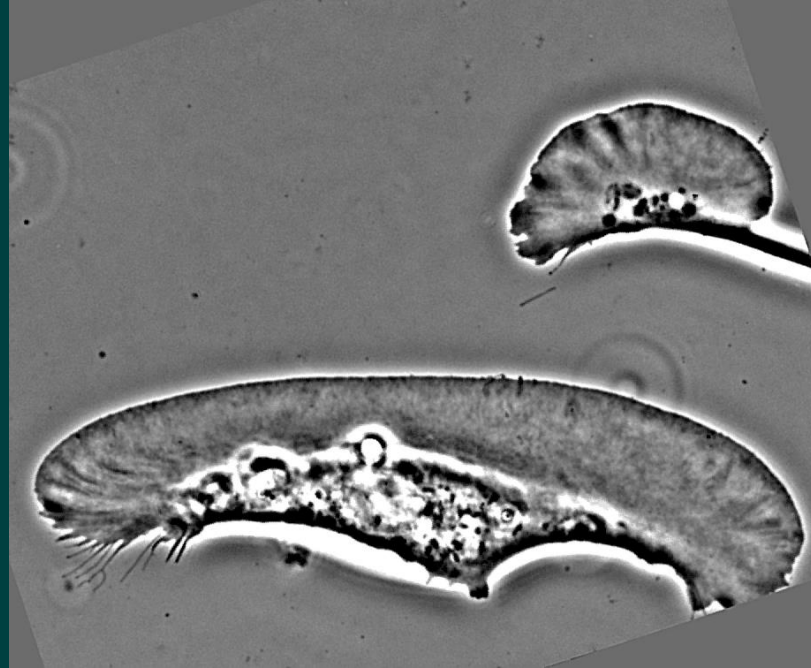
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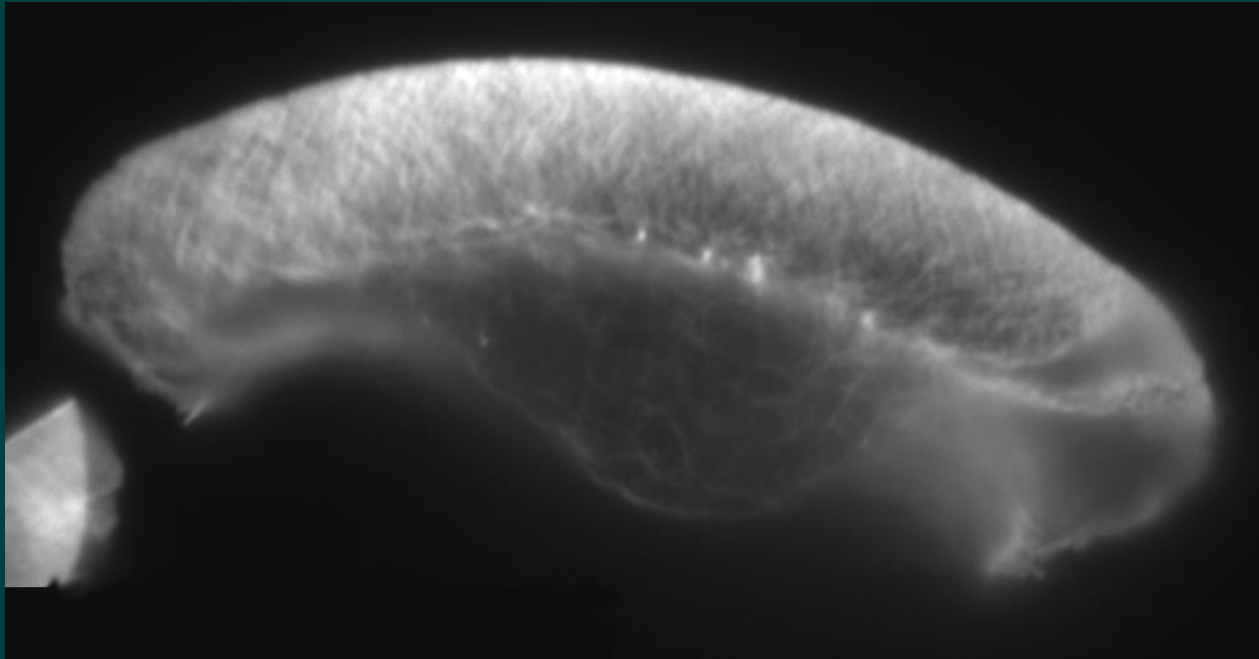
estimation of filament length with optical microscopy

how the cell makes long, unbranched filaments

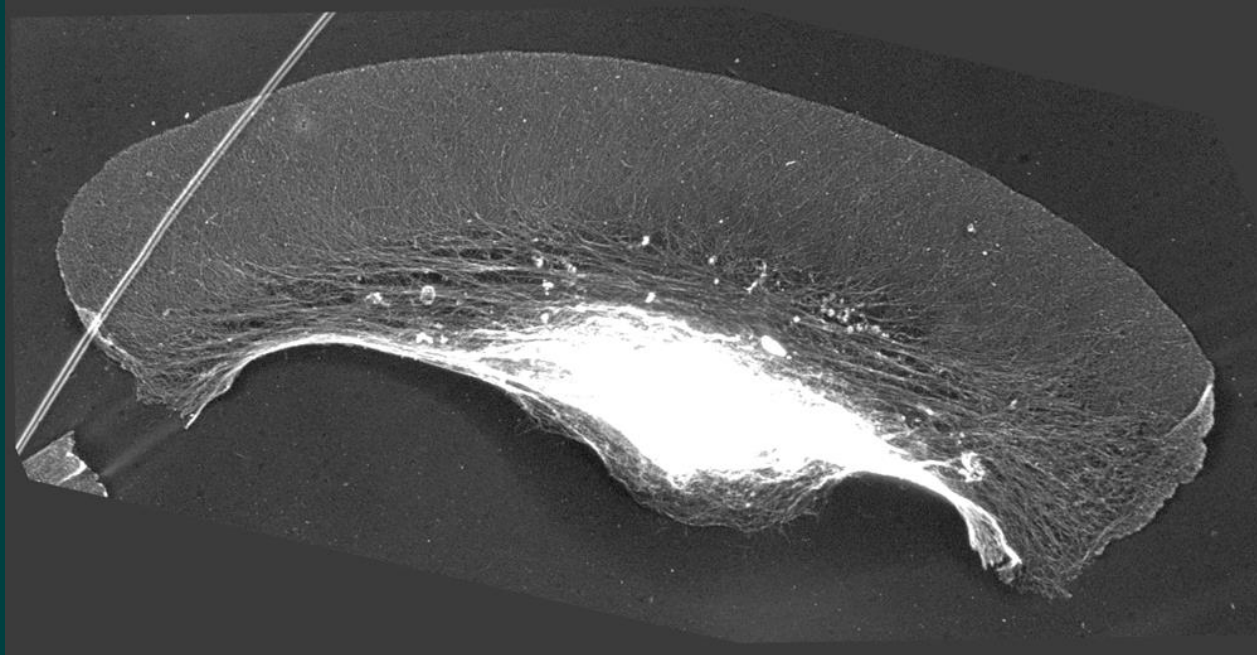
molecular motors

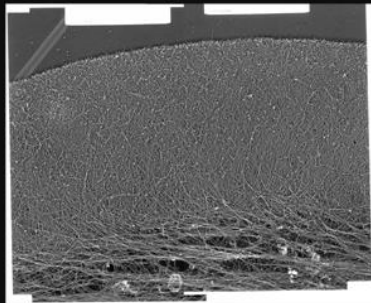
criss-cross pattern in the lamellipodia

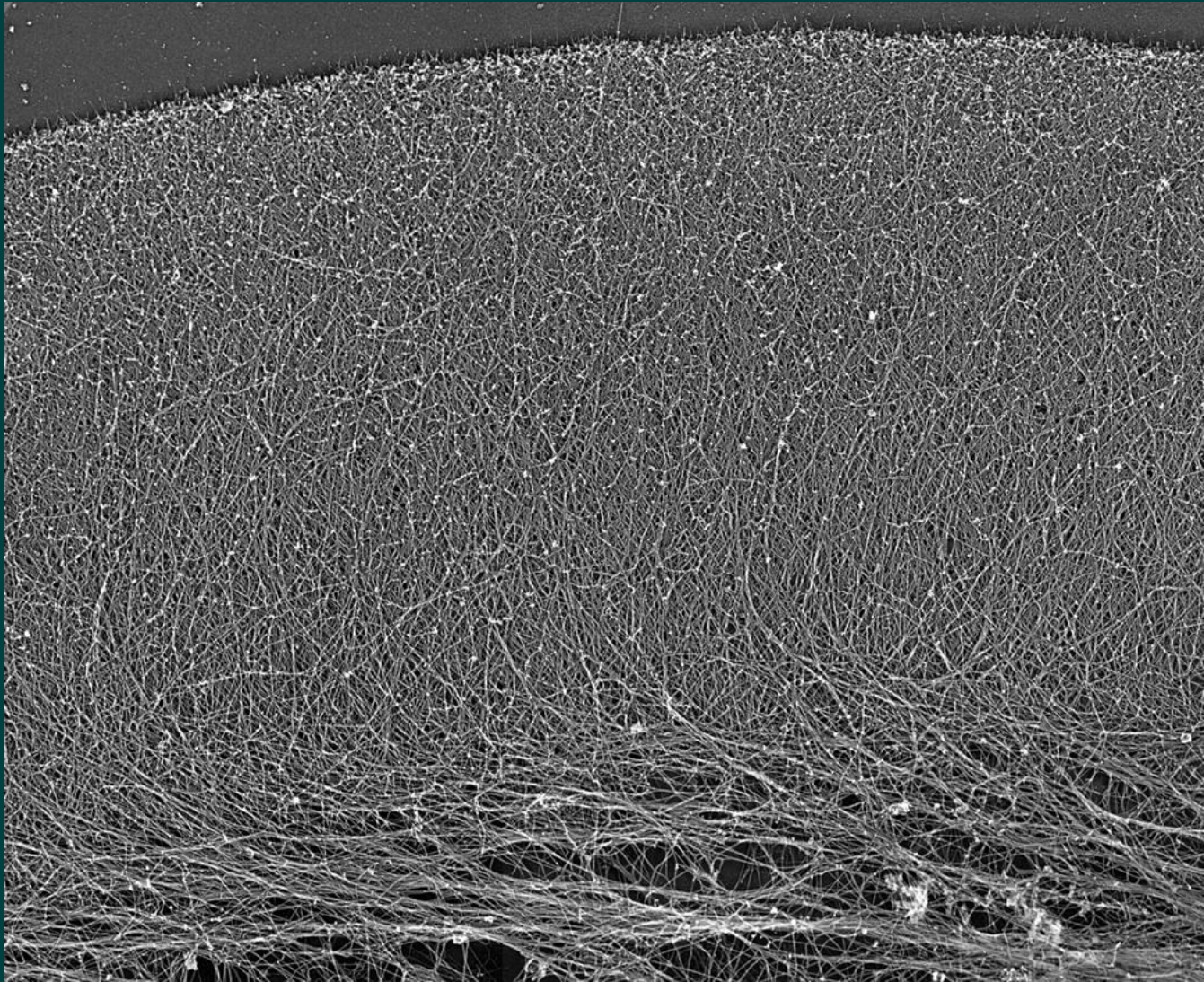


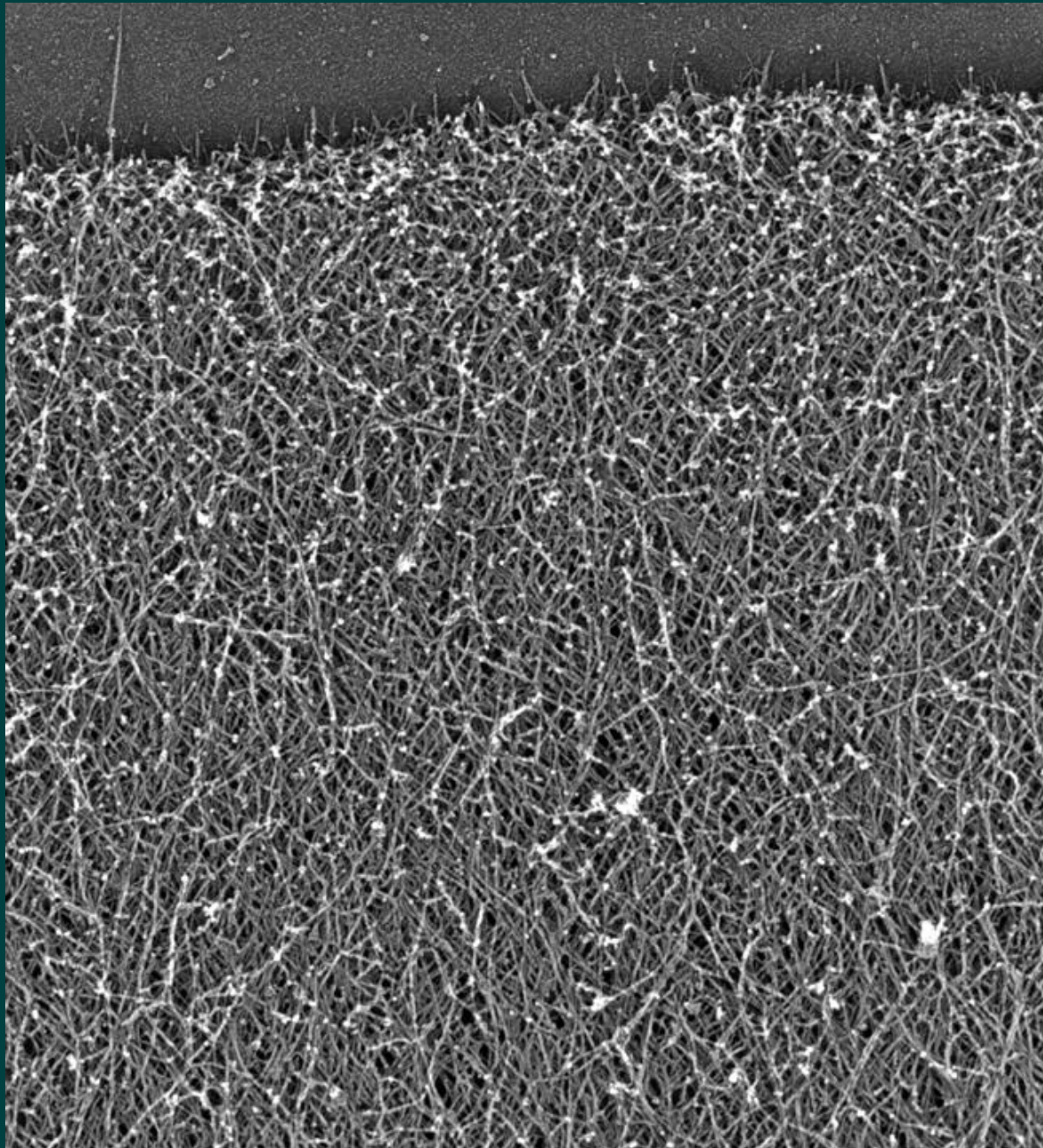


EM: platinum replica



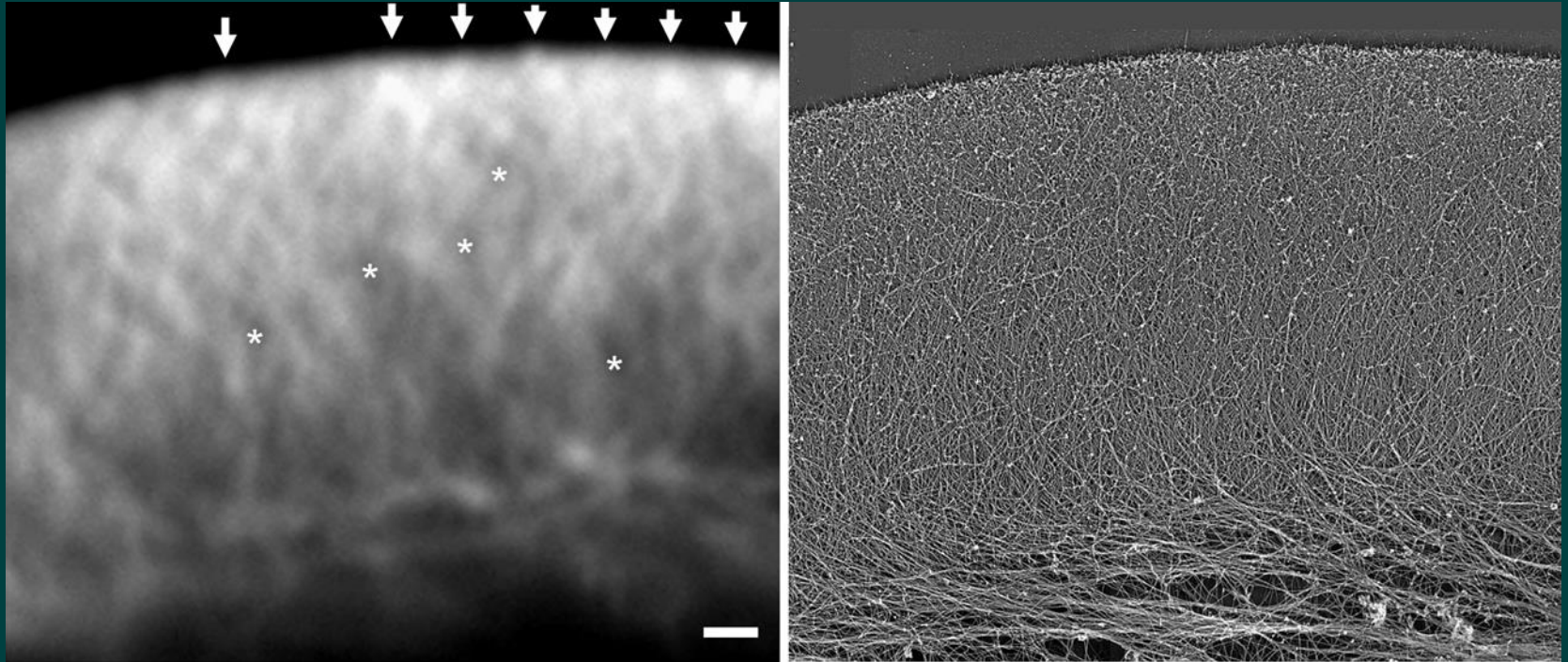






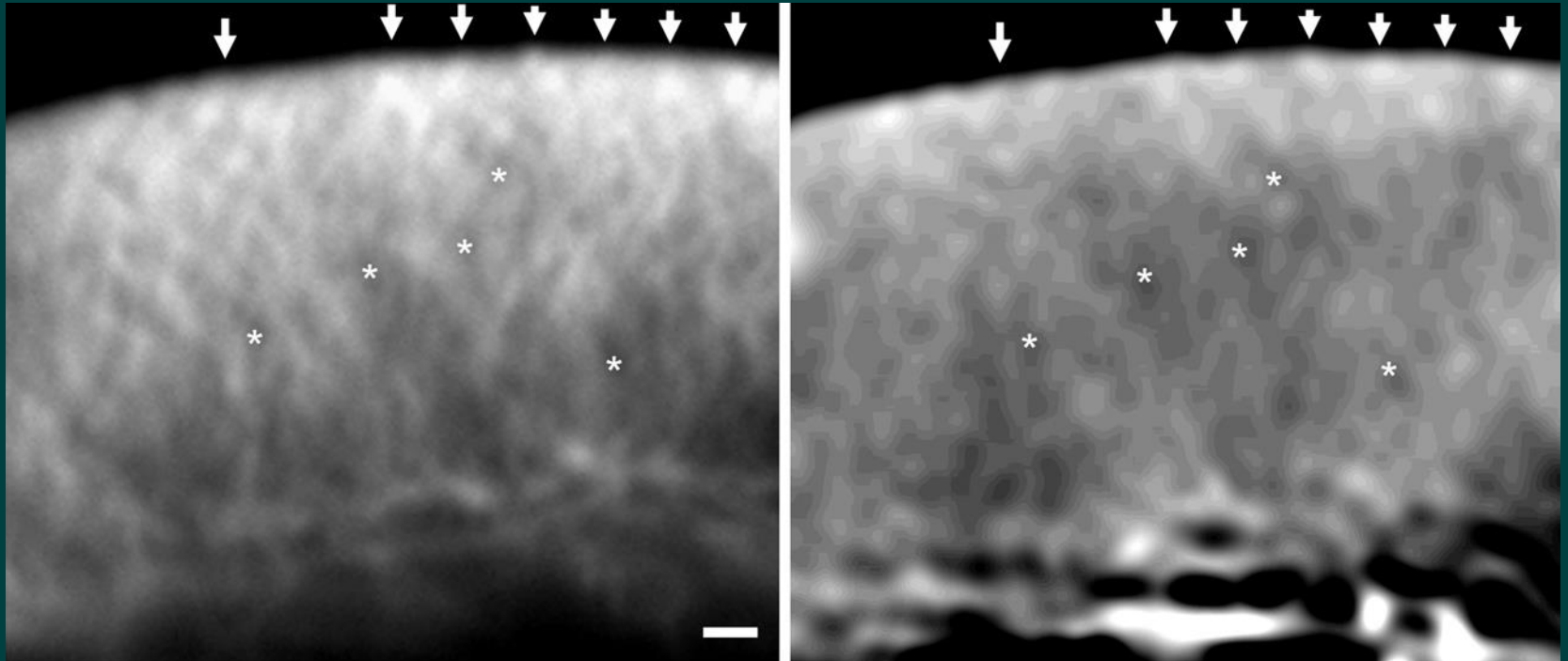
fluorescence

EM



fluorescence

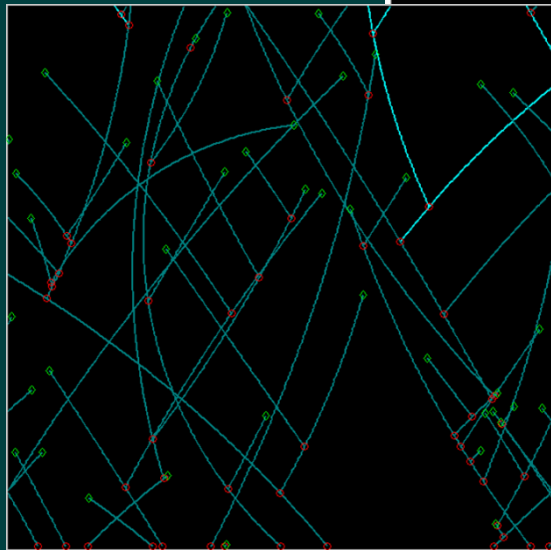
blurred EM



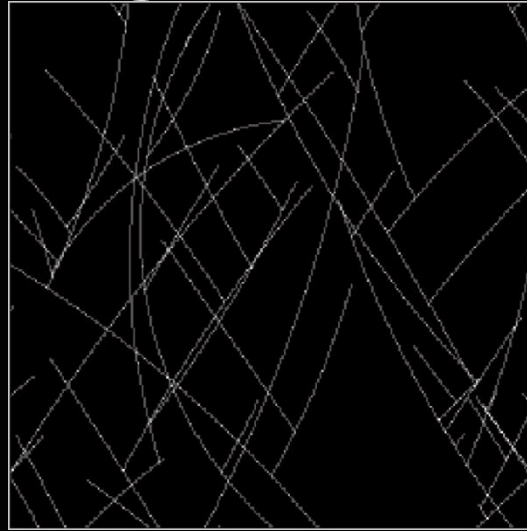
blurred EM corresponds well to fluorescence pattern:
pattern is due to filament density variation

Verkhovsky et al. *Mol. Biol. Cell*, 2003

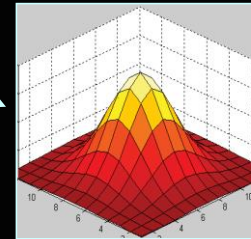
Simulating images of the lamellipodia



- Growing filament
- Capped filament
- Arp2/3
- ◆ Capping protein



density map



diffraction spot of
our optical system

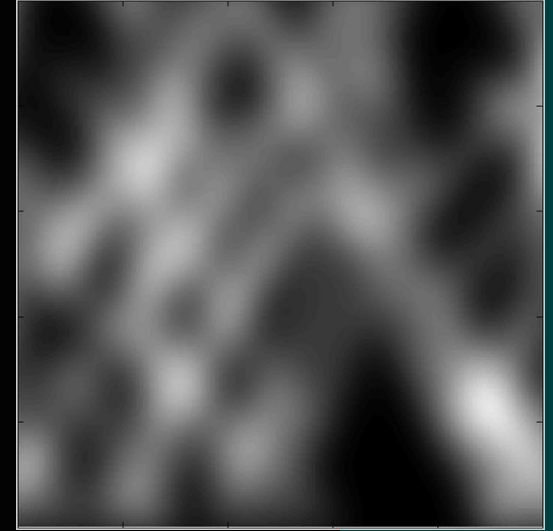
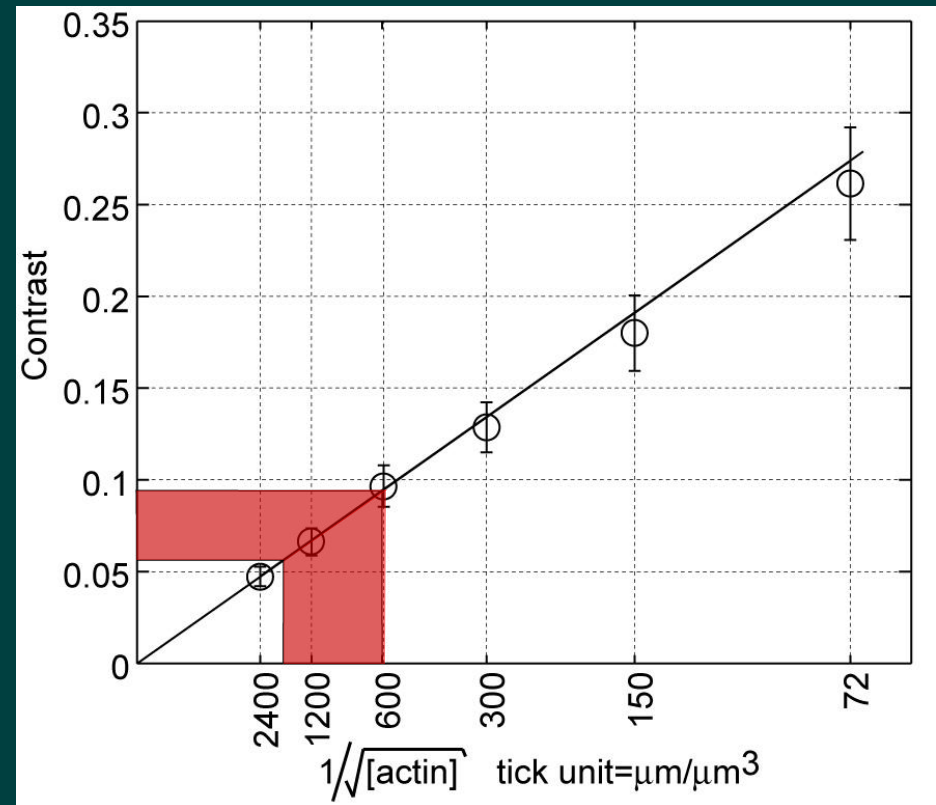


Image contrast: estimation of filament concentration



$$\text{Contrast} \propto \text{St.D.} / \text{Mean}$$

$$= \beta / \sqrt{[\text{actin}]}$$

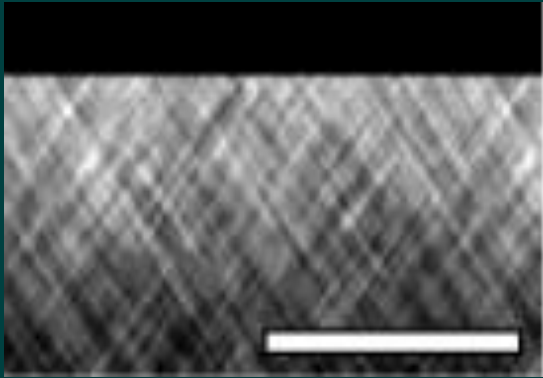


→ Concentration = $1160 \pm 550 \mu\text{m}/\mu\text{m}^3 = 900 \pm 400 \mu\text{M}$ $\beta = 0.18$

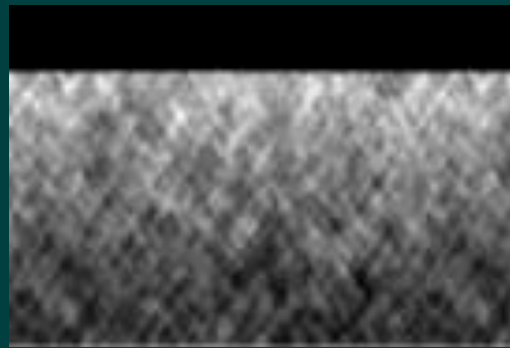
($1580 \pm 613 \mu\text{m}/\mu\text{m}^3$, Abraham et al. Biophys. J. 1999)

Image texture : visual comparison

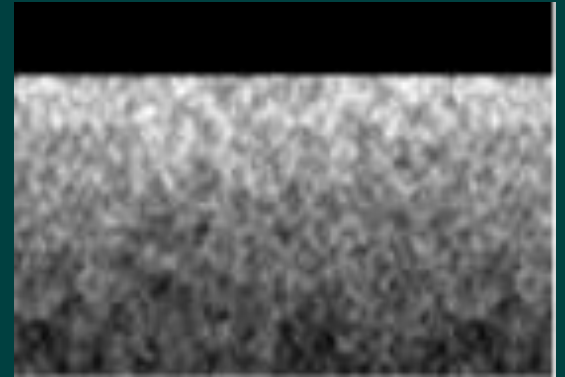
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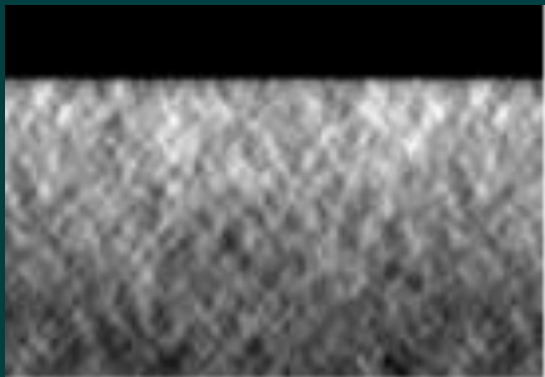
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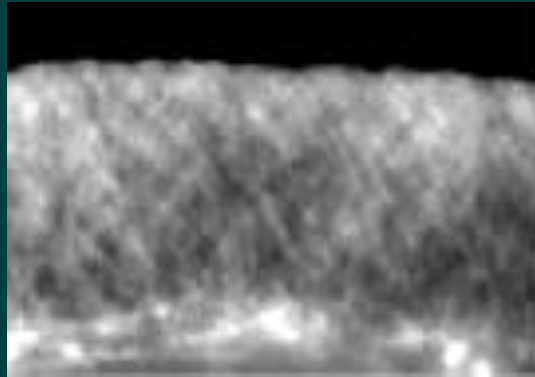
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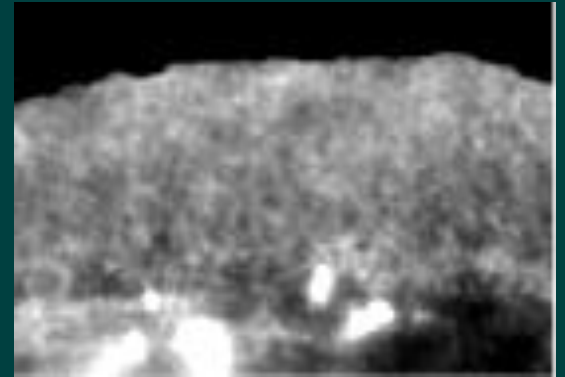
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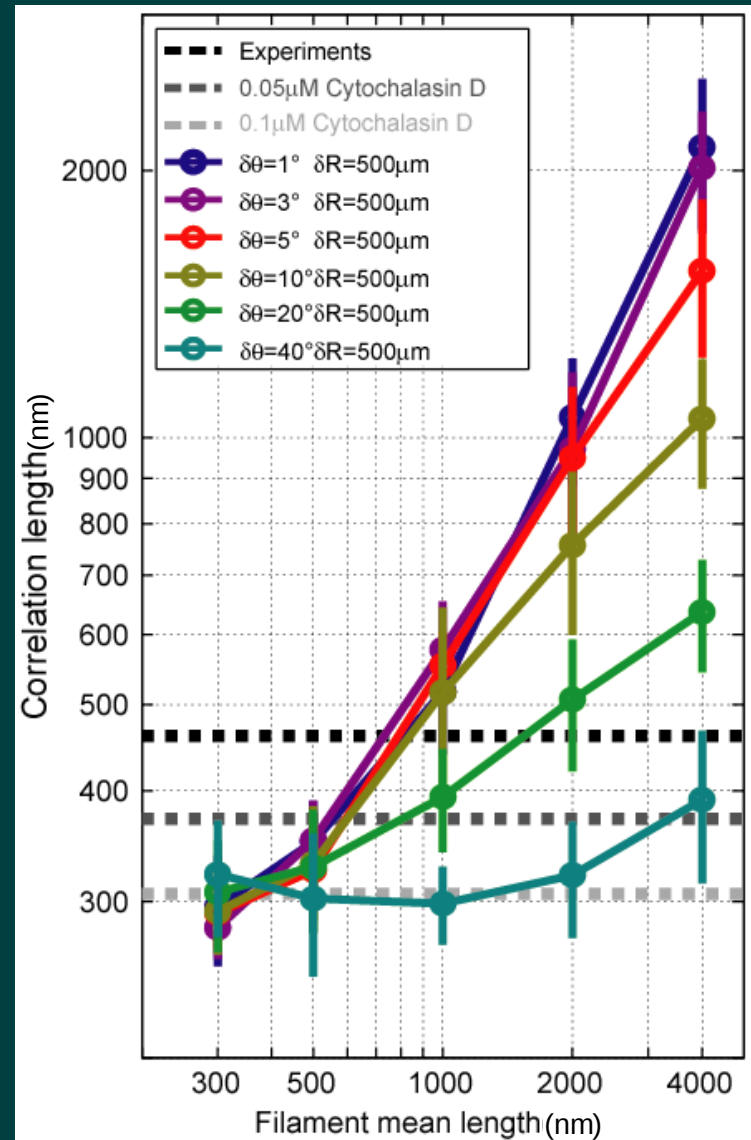
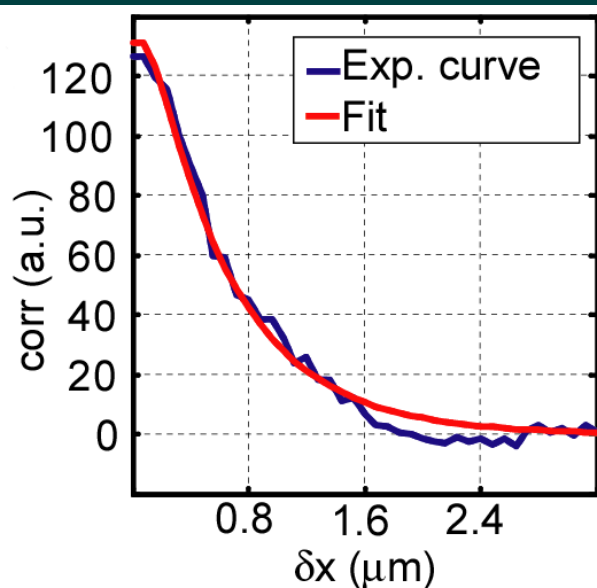
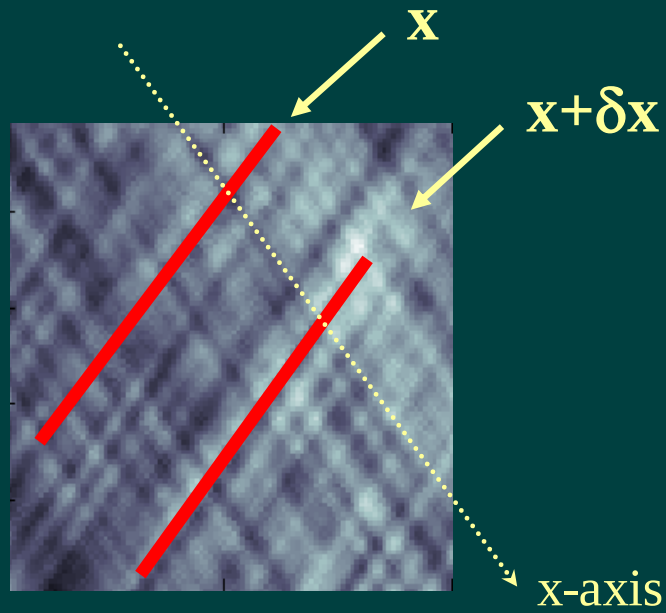
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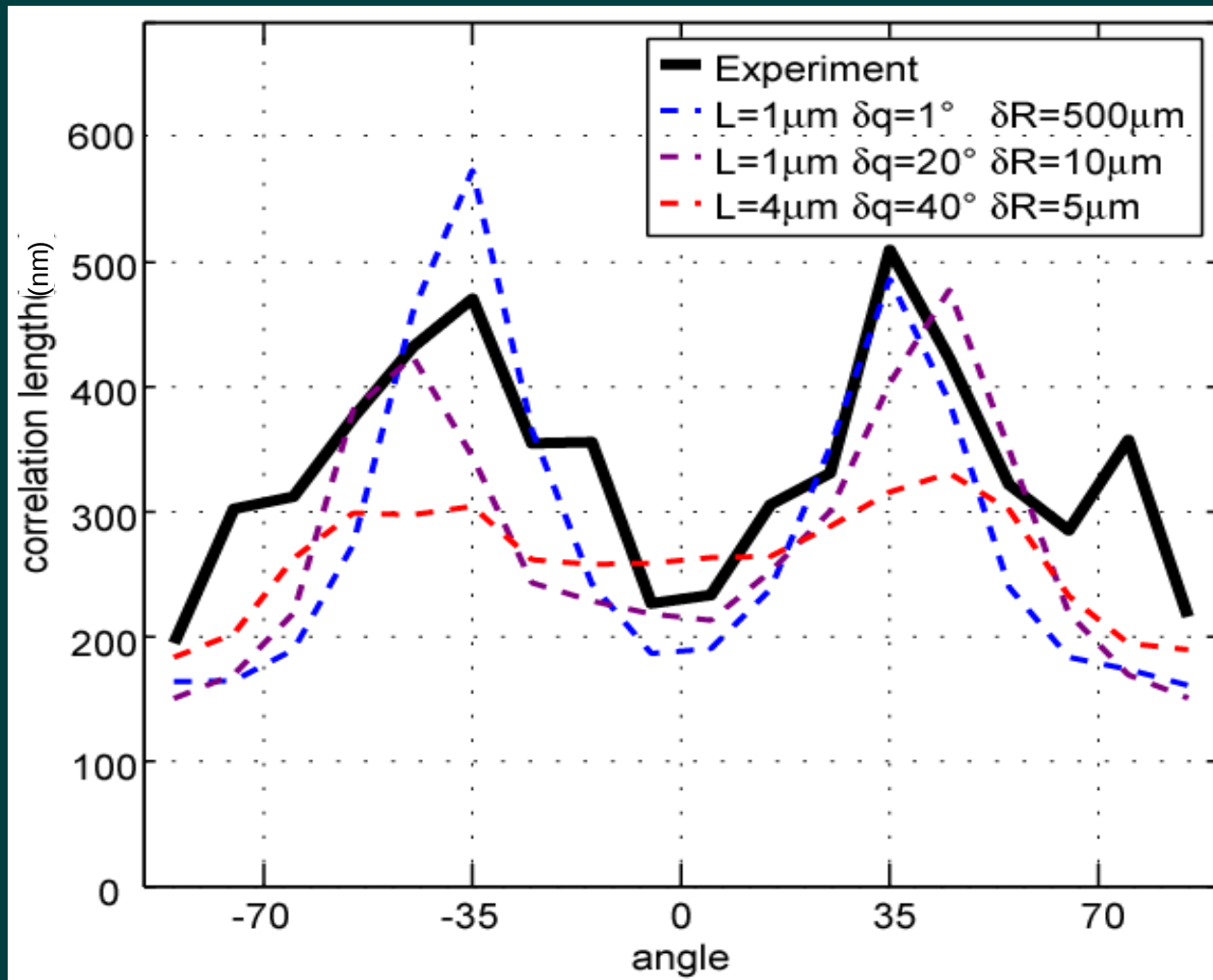
Exp. +0.1 μM cytochalasin D



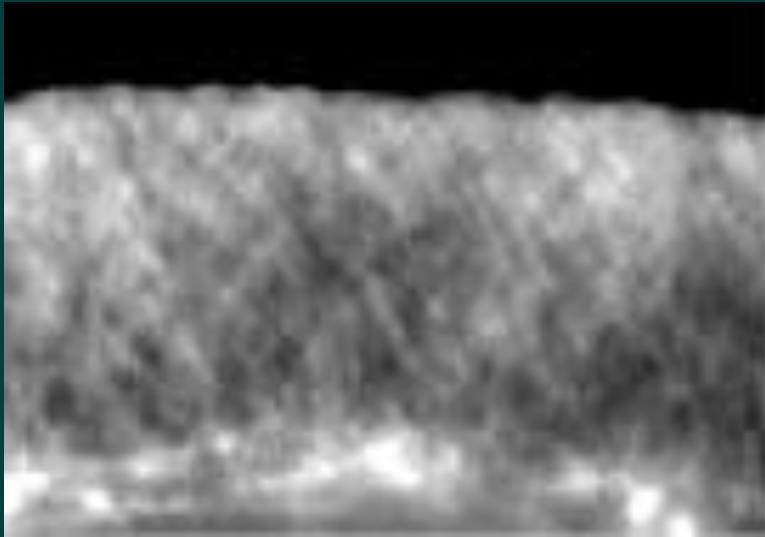
Correlation length



Orientational distribution of correlation length



Experimental

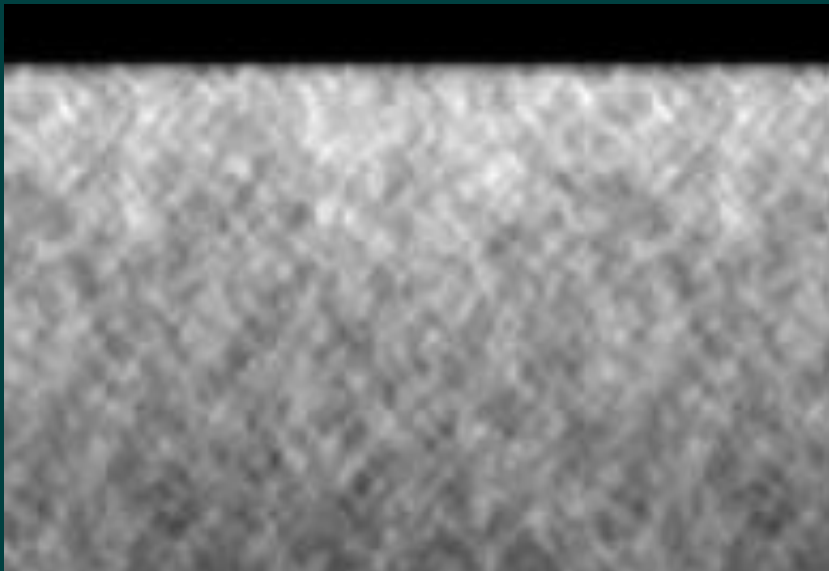


Filament Mean Length= $1.3\mu\text{m}$

Curvature Radius= $10\mu\text{m}$

Branching Fluctuation= 20°

Simulations



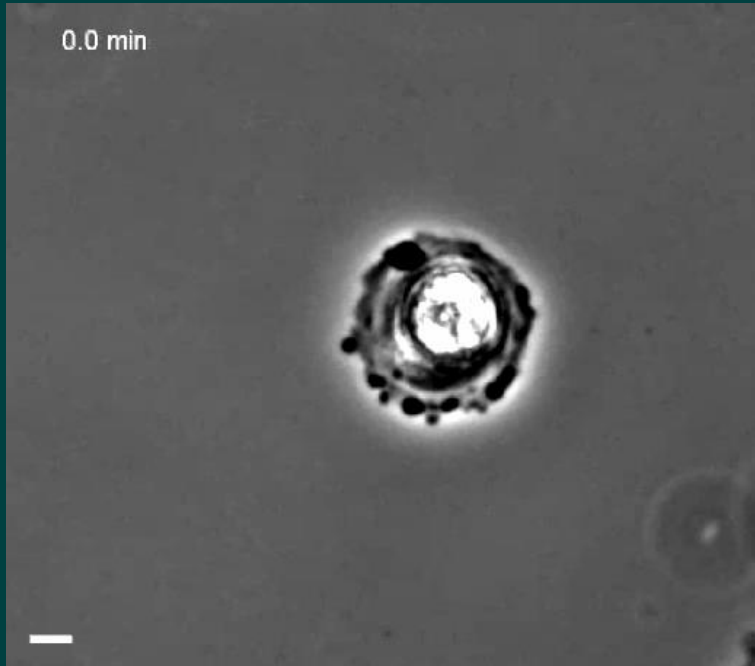
Capping Rate $\cong 0.23\text{ s}^{-1}$

Depolymerizing Rate $\cong 0.015\text{ s}^{-1}$

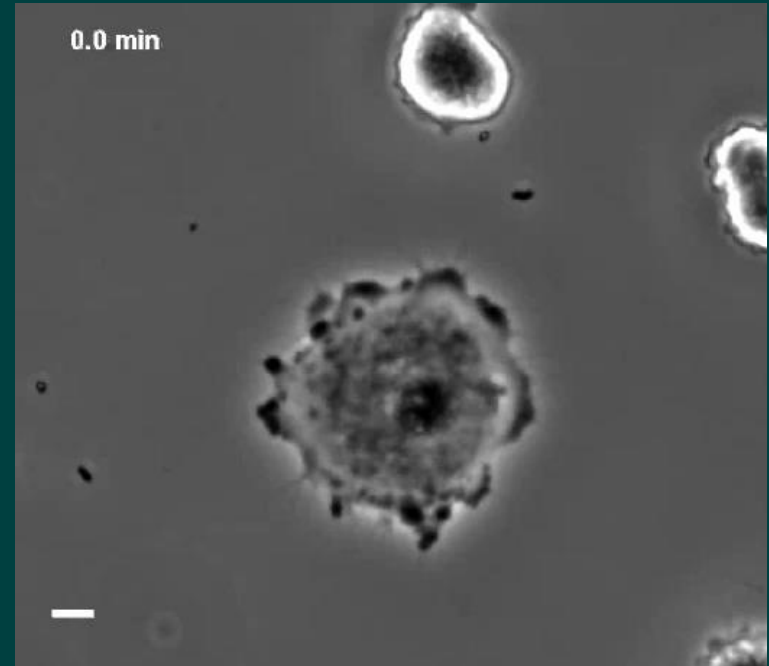
Schaub et al., *J. Cell Sci.*, 2007

Arp2,3 is essential for lamellipodia,
but not essential for cell spreading

ARPC3^{+/+}

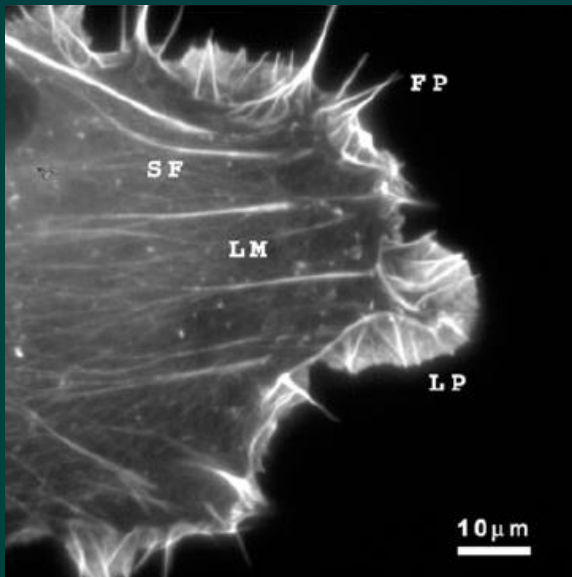


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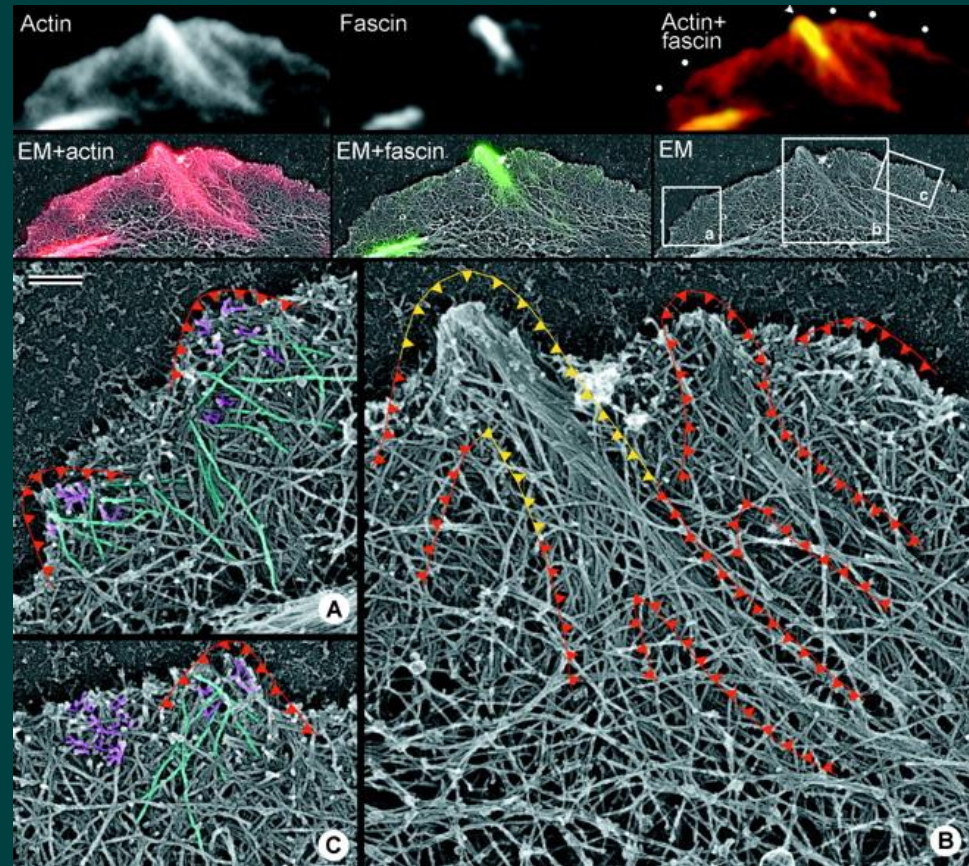
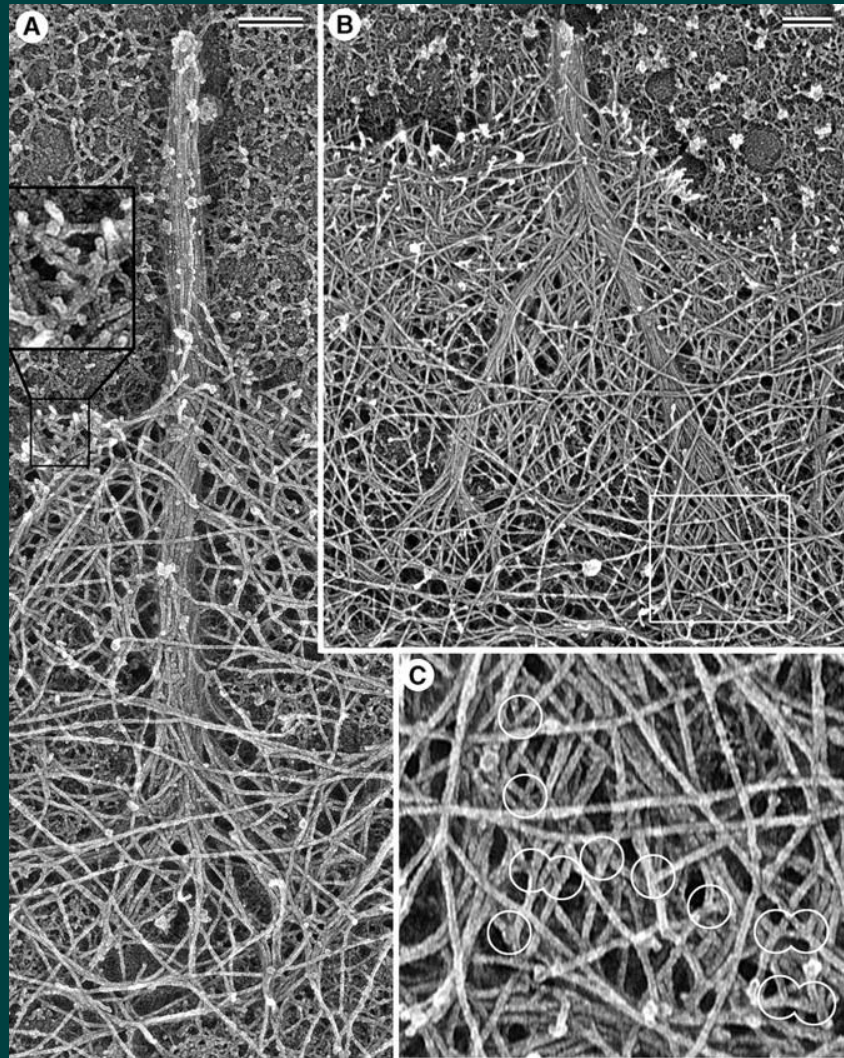
Suraneni et al., JCB, 2012

There are other actin structures in the cell, besides lamellipodium: filopodia, stress fibers in the lamellum

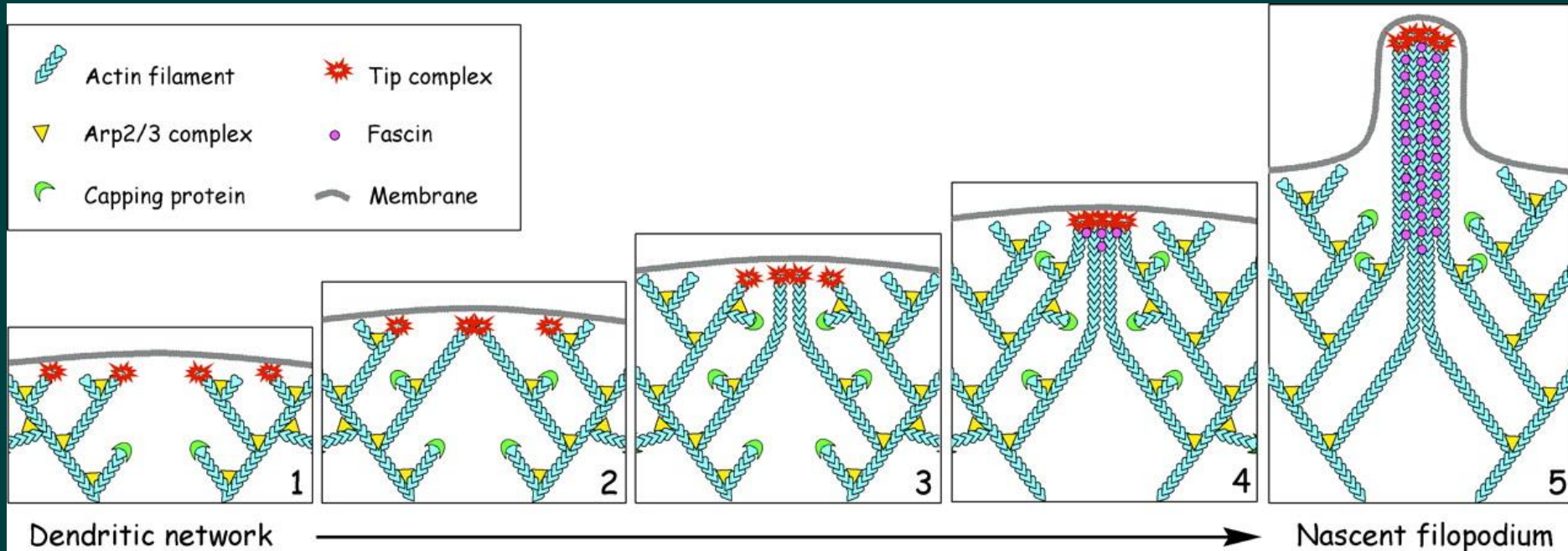


How do they form?

Mechanism of filopodia extension from lamellipodial network

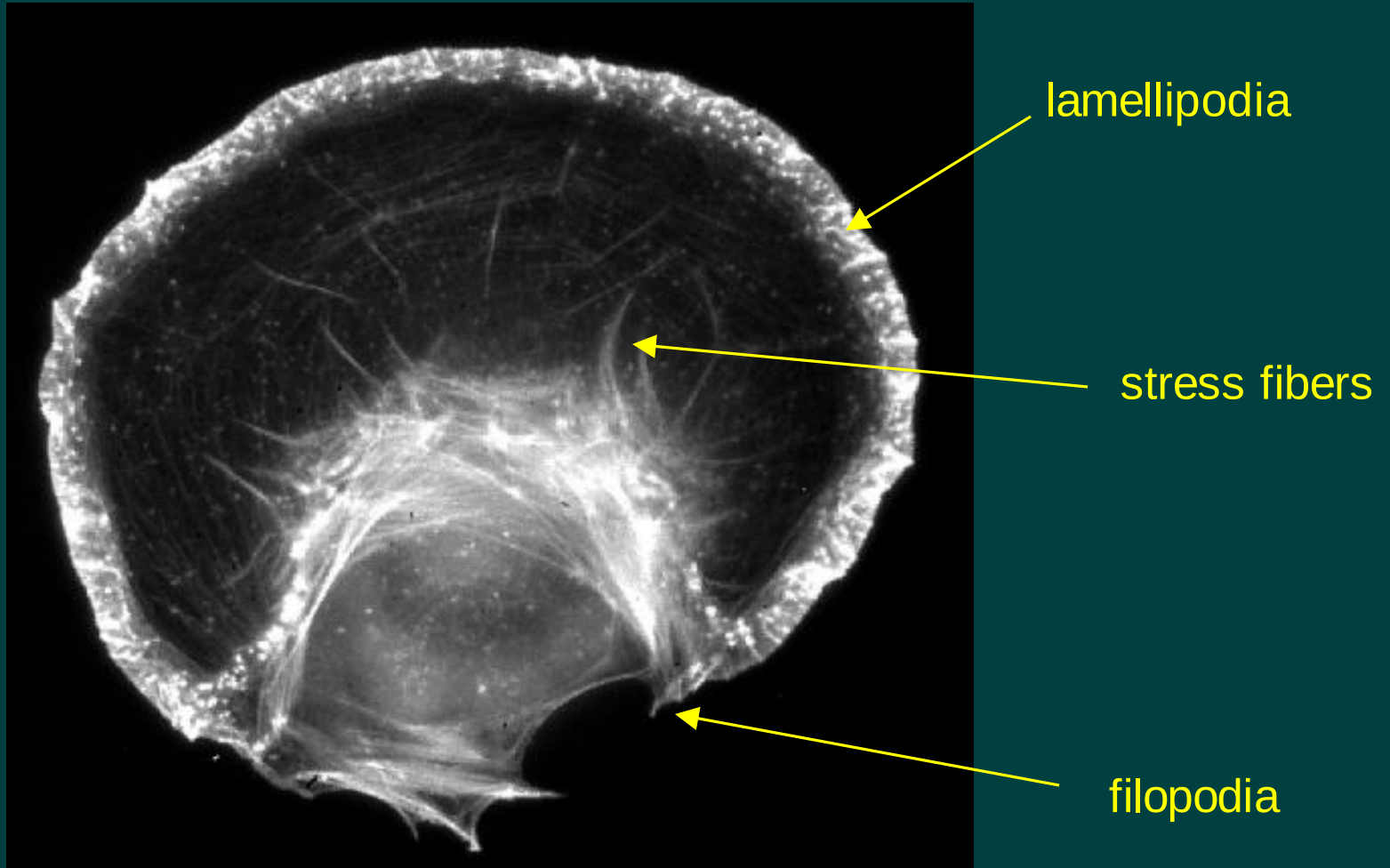


Mechanism of filopodia extension

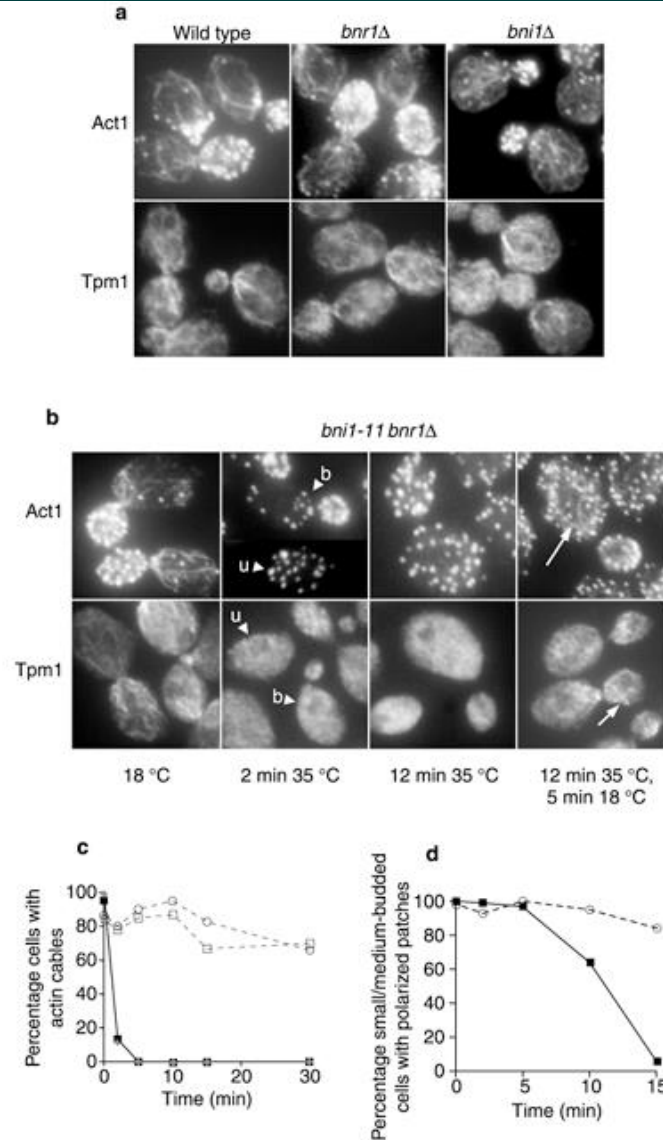
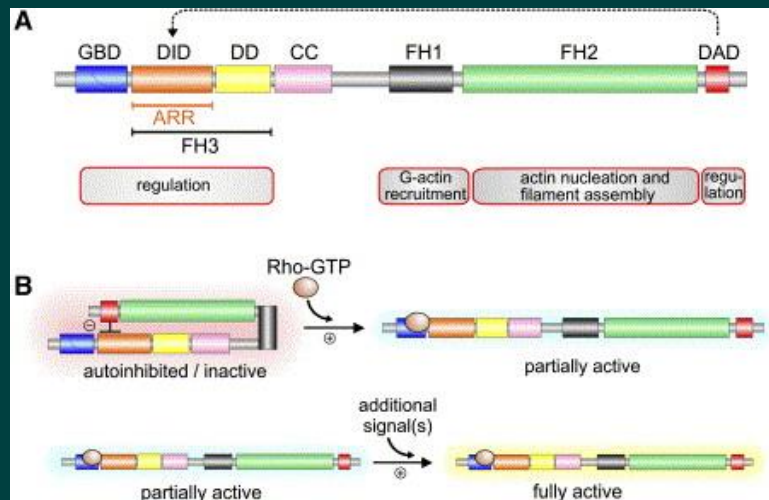


Svitkina TM et al. J Cell Biol. 2003 Feb 3;160(3):409-21.

Stress fibers seems to assemble independently of the lamellipodia



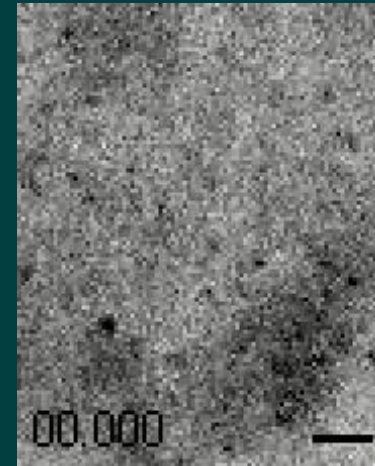
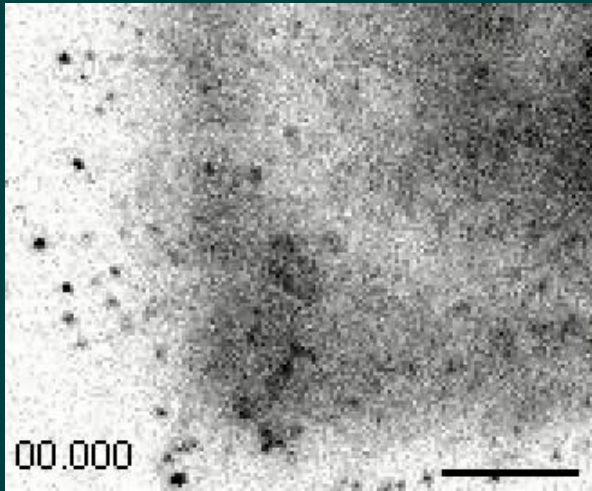
Actin patches and cables in yeast: cables require formins



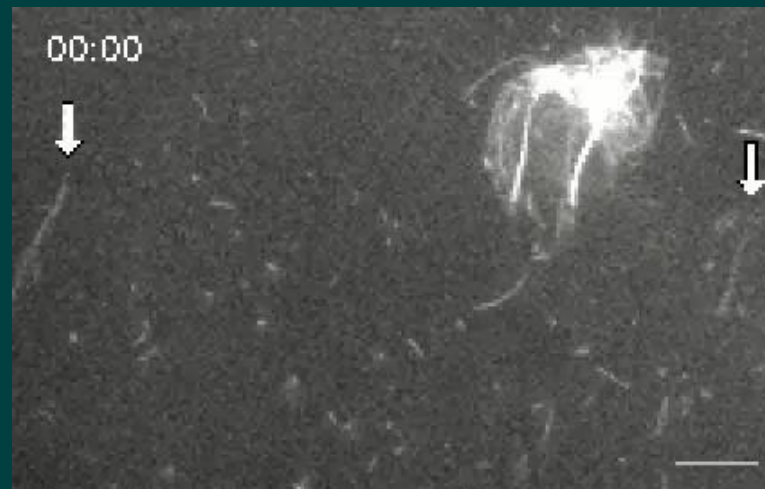
M. Evangelista, D. Pruyne, D.C. Amberg, C. Boone and A. Bretscher,

Formins direct Arp2/3-independent actin filament assembly to polarize cell growth in yeast. *Nat Cell Biol* 4 (2002), pp. 324-328

Processive movement of formin mDia in animal cells by single molecule FSM

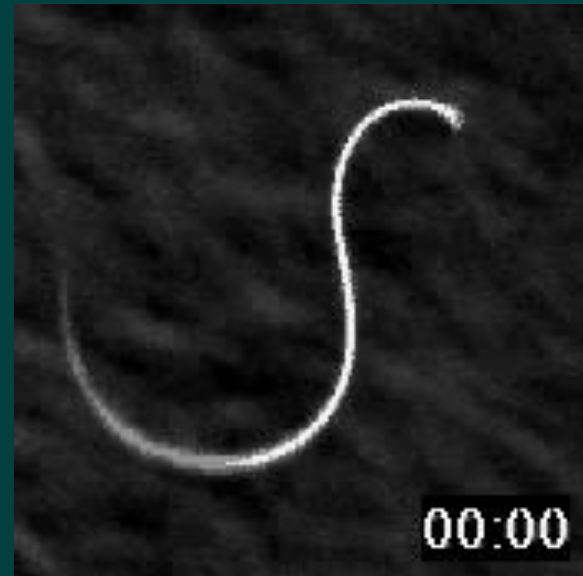


Cytochalasin D



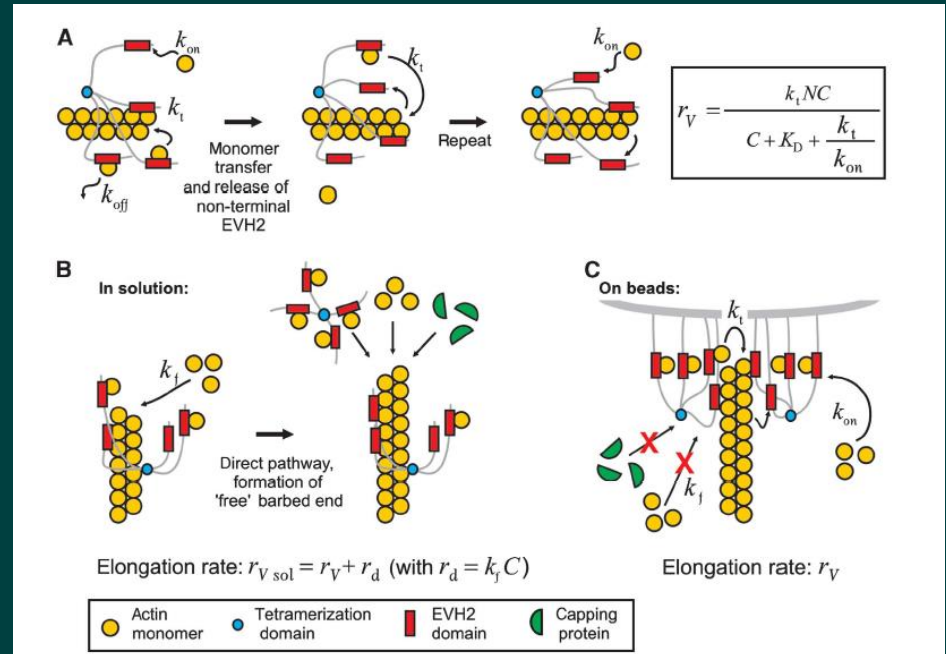
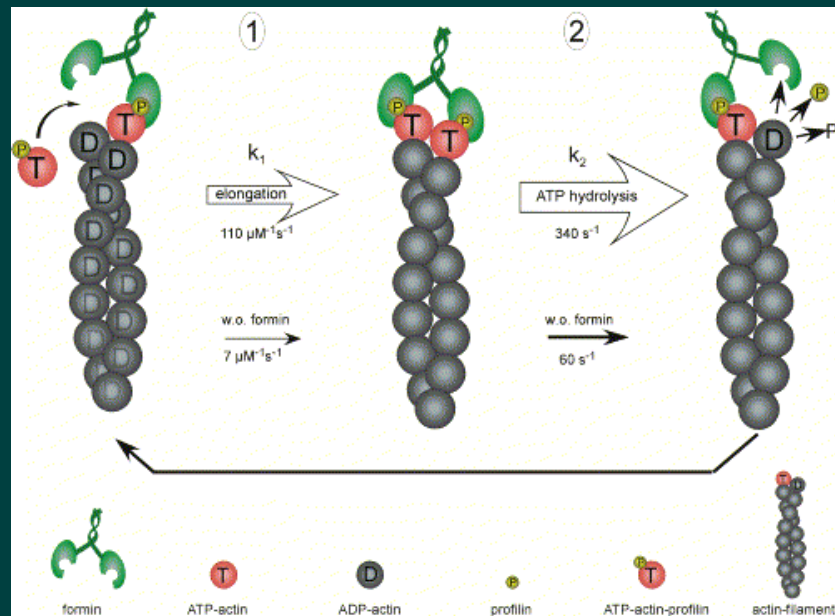
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Reconstruction of formin-stimulated motility in vitro

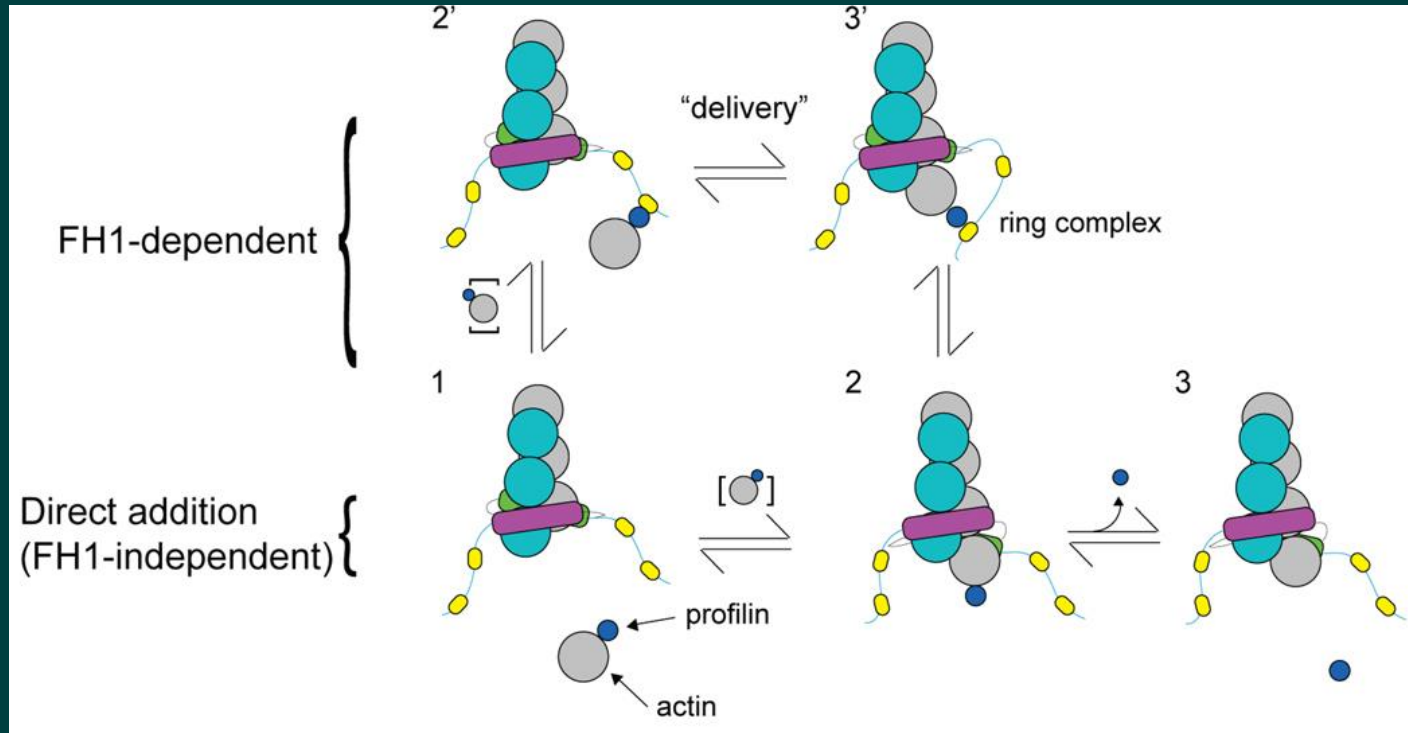


Romero et al., Cell, 2004

Formins and ENA-VASP family proteins work like end-tracking motors

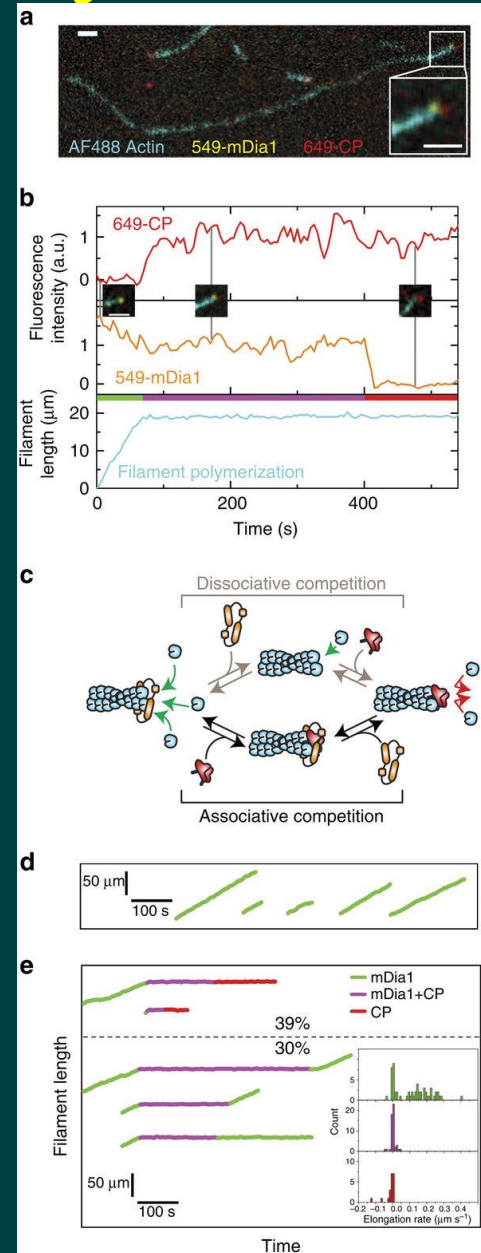
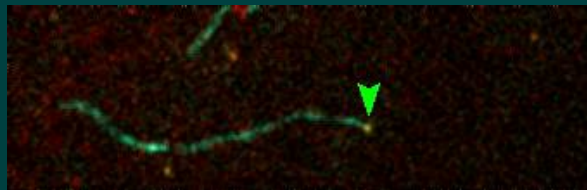
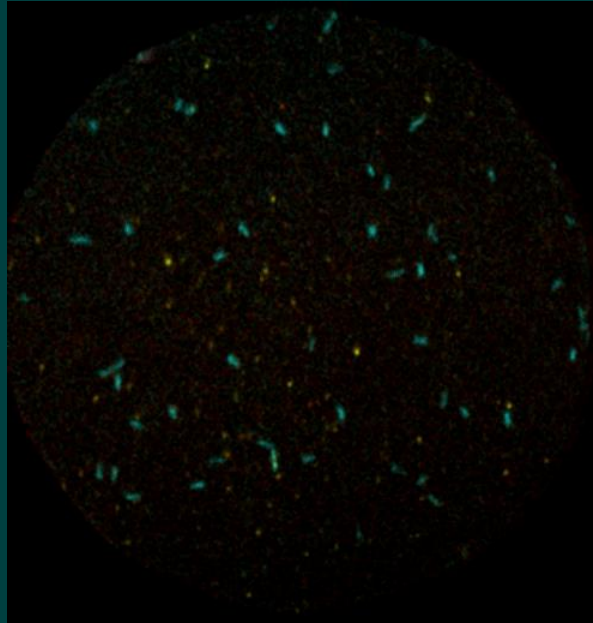


acceleration of actin elongation by delivery of profilactin complex by formin FH1 domains

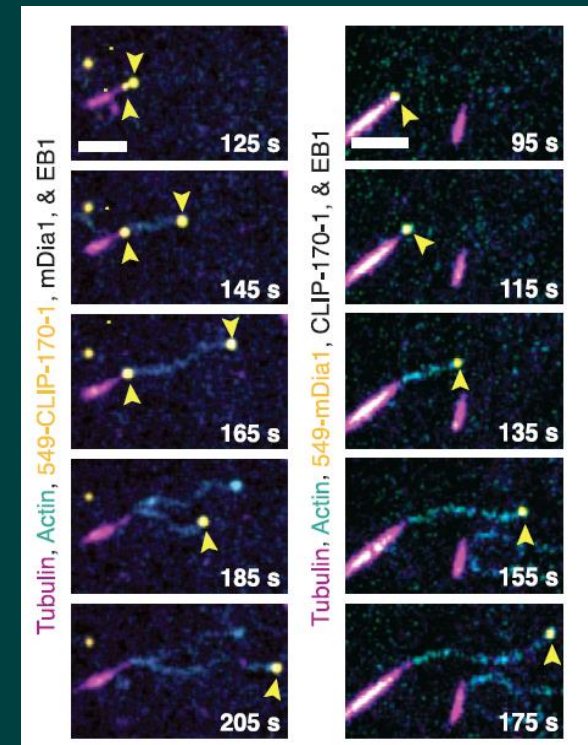
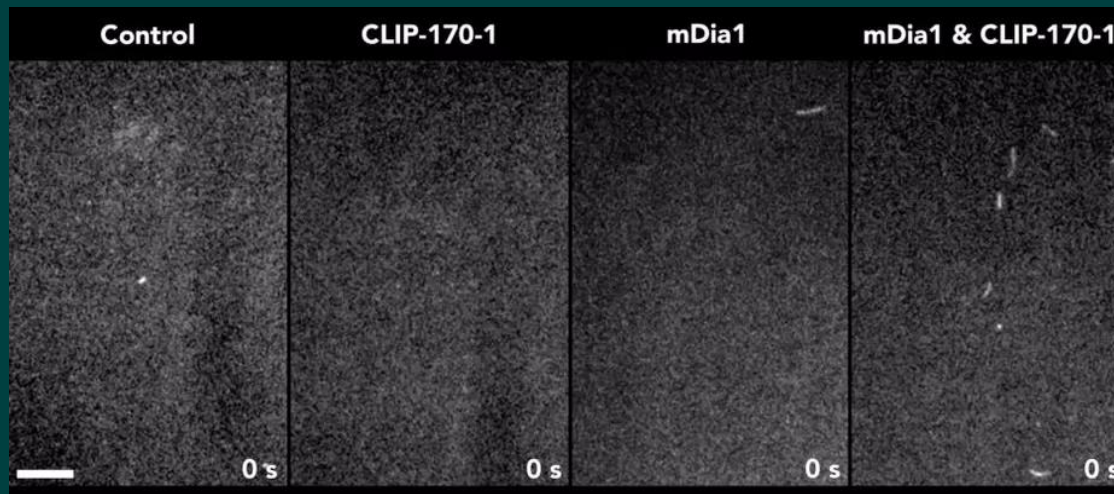
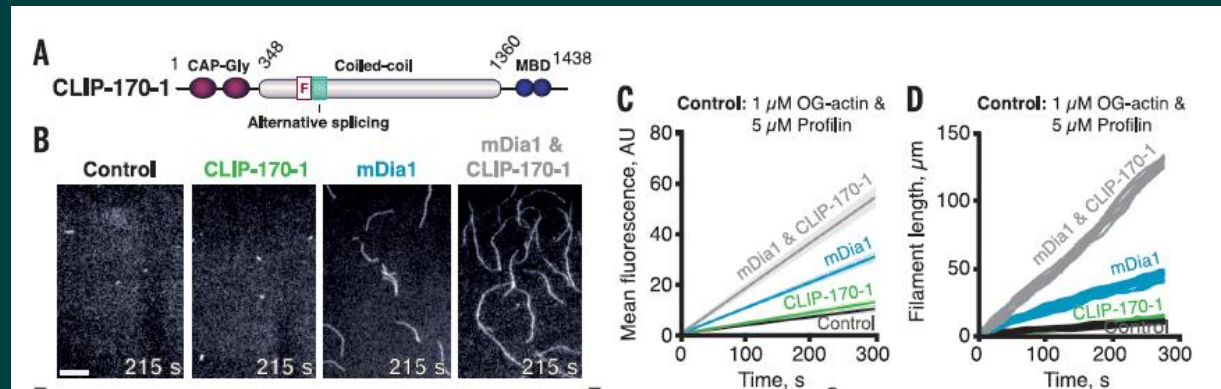


Paul and Pollard, 2009

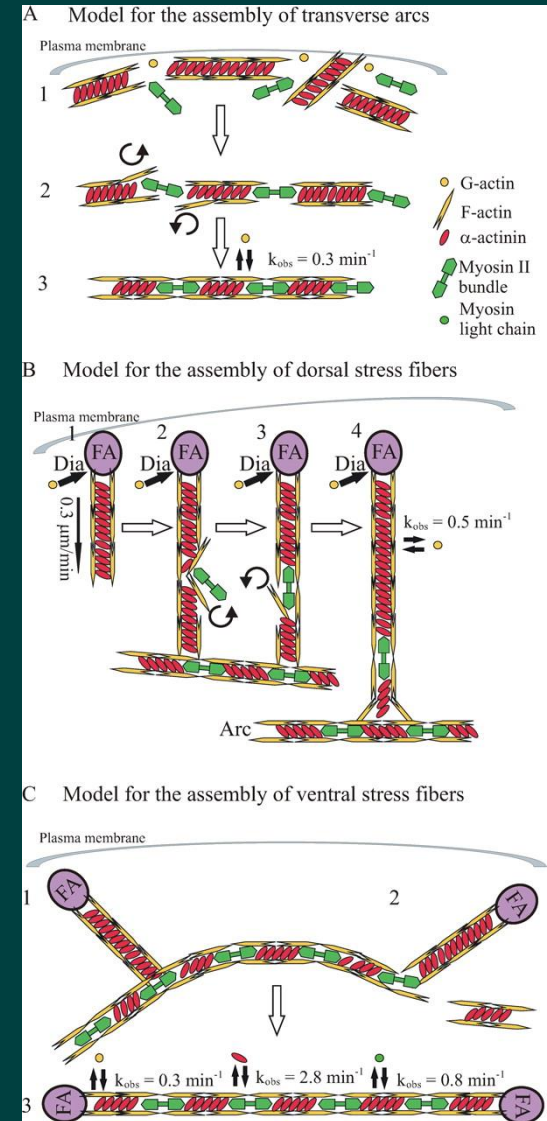
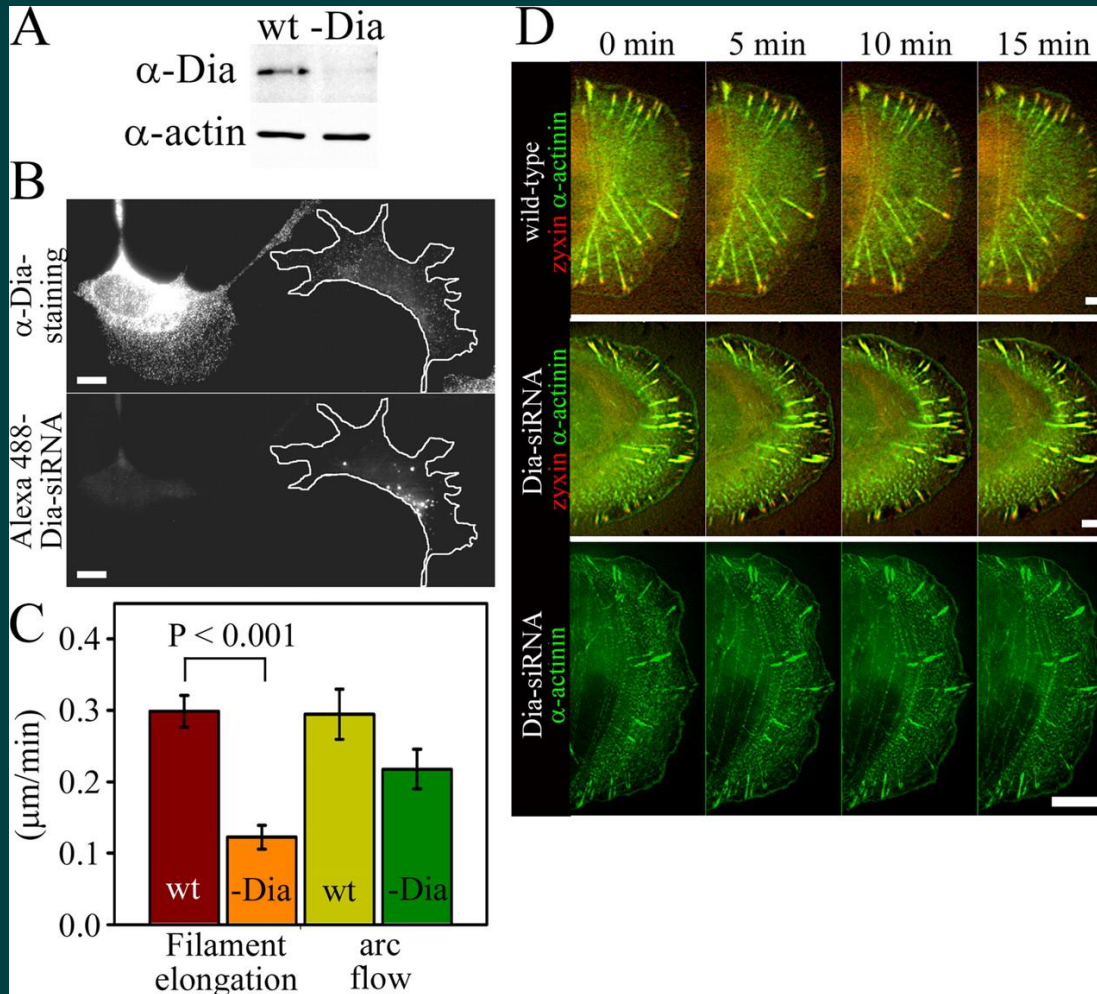
Competition between formin and capping protein by single molecule fluorescence



formin interacts with microtubule end-binding protein CLIP-170 to grow actin filaments from microtubule ends

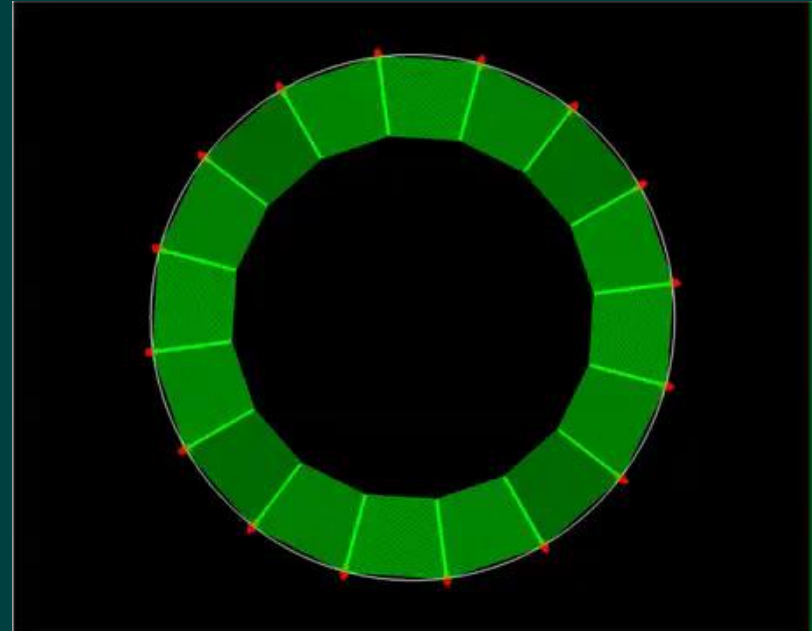
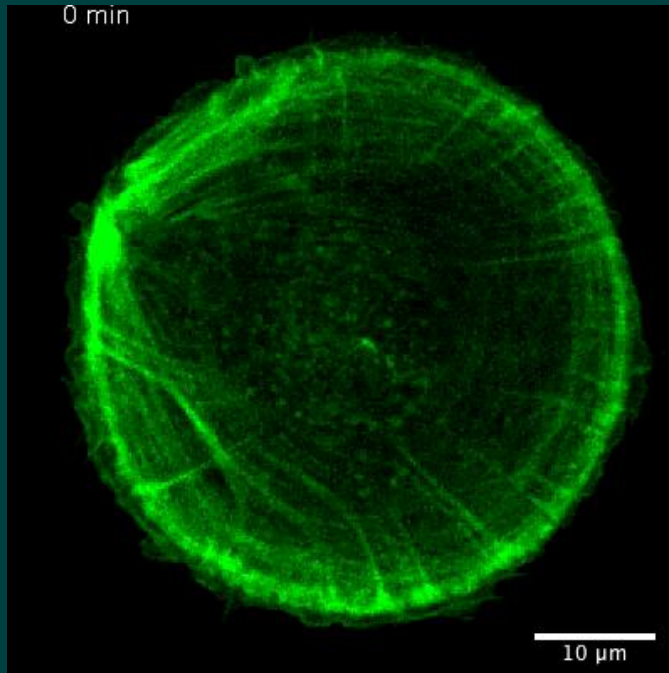


Formins (mDia) contribute to the assembly of stress fibers



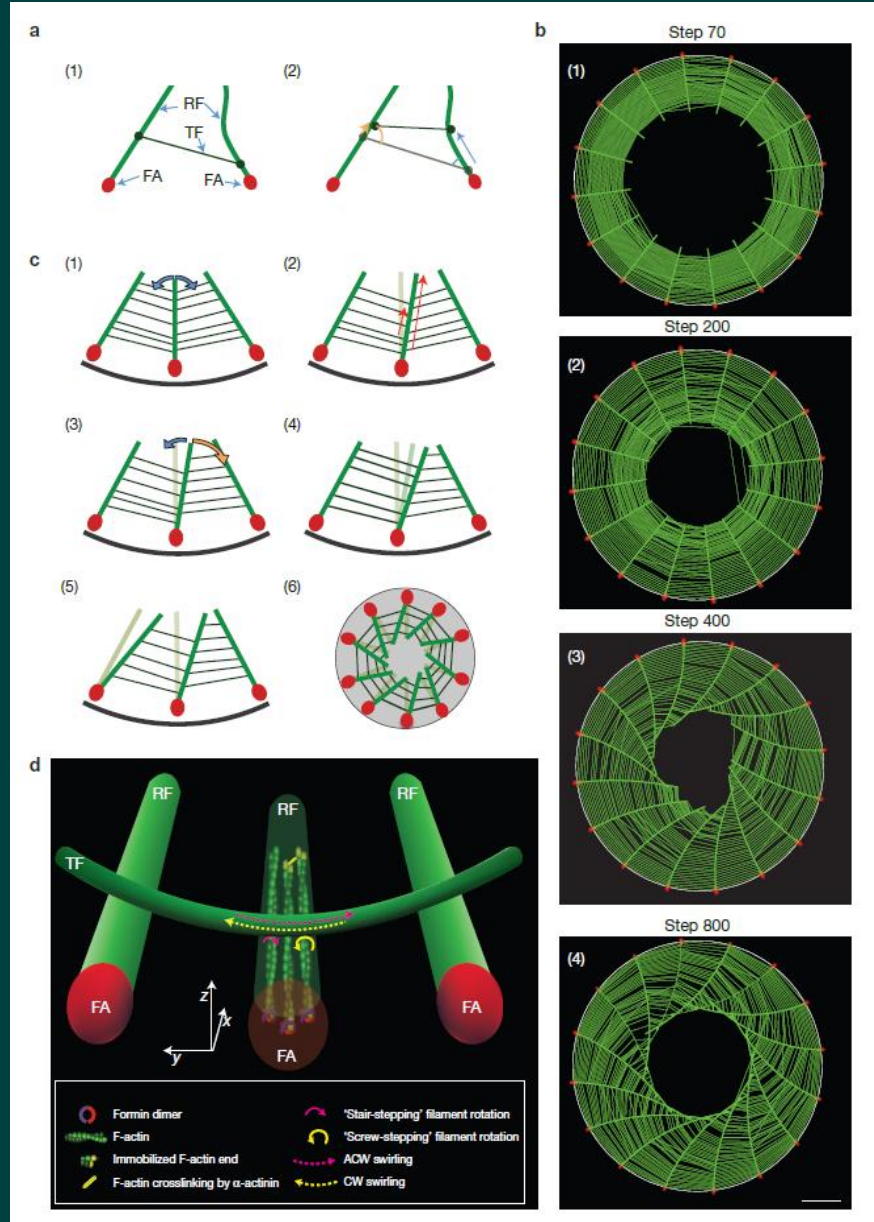
Hotulainen and Lappalainen, JCB, 2006

cellular chirality emerges from actin dynamics:
possible role of filament rotation while elongating from formins



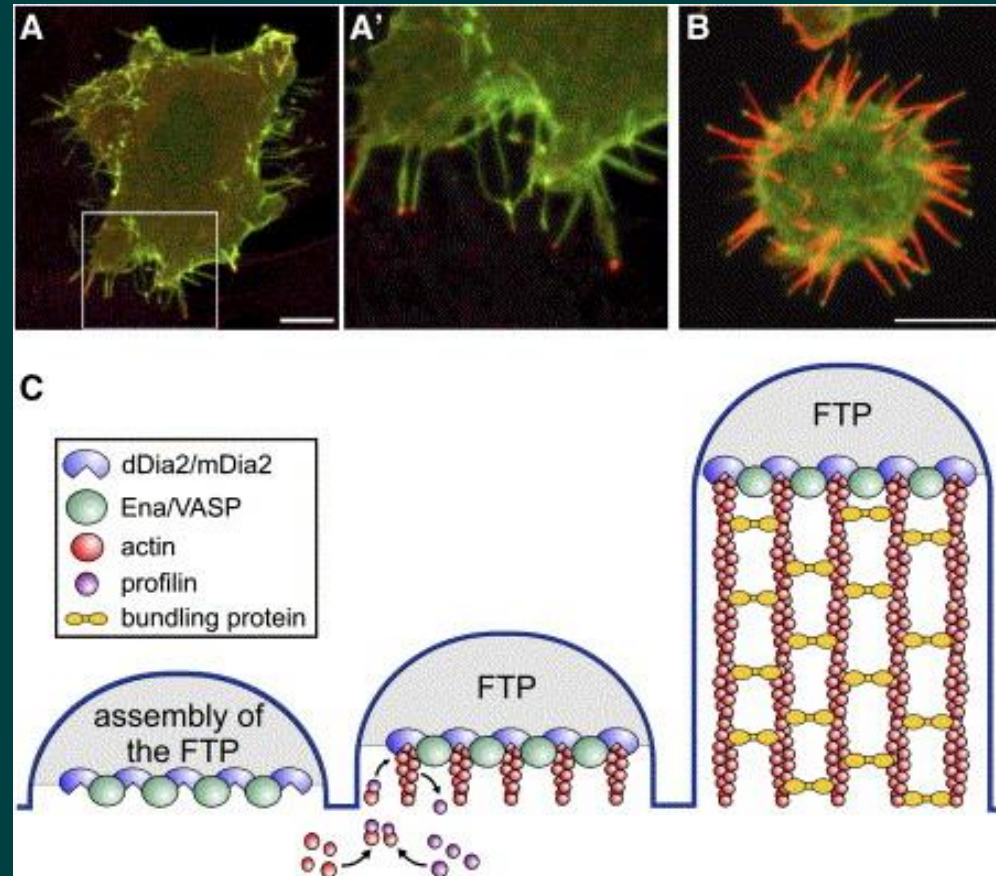
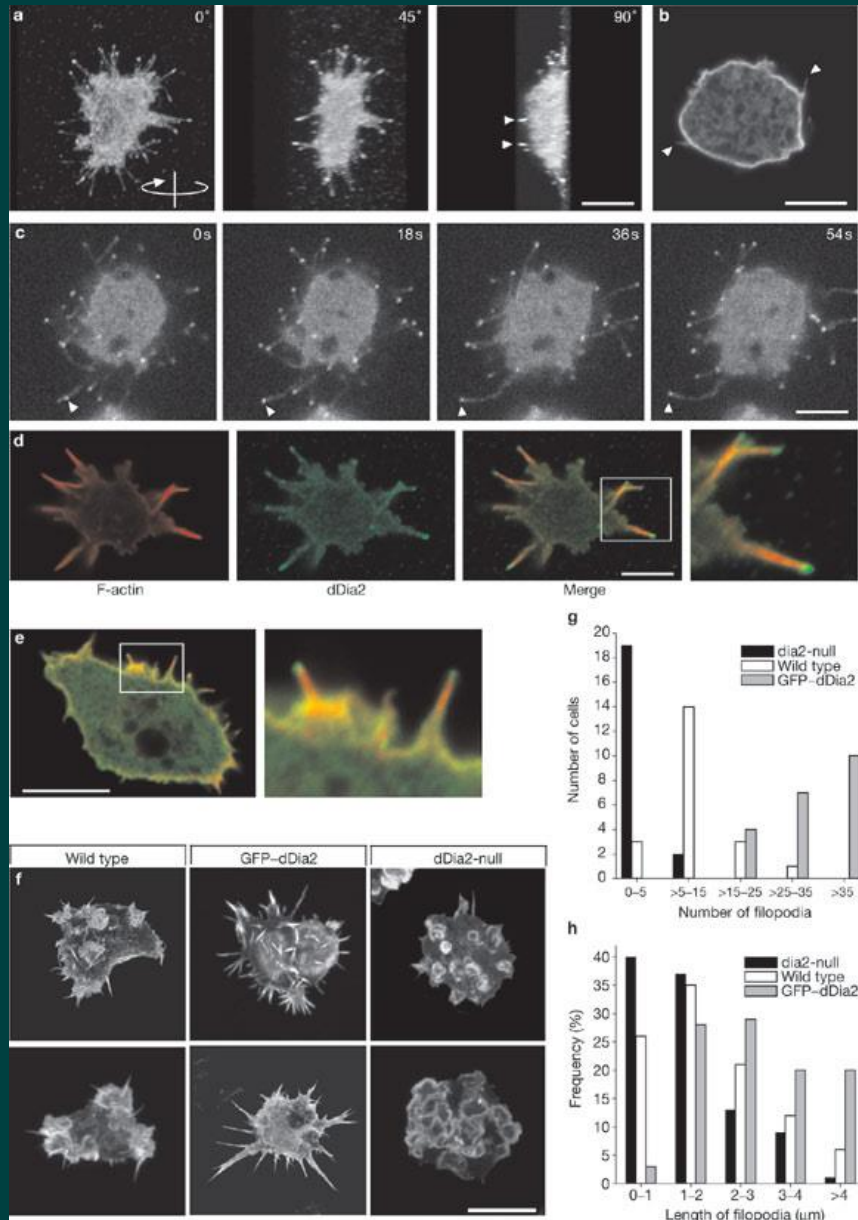
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hypothesis on chirality arising from formin-mediated filament rotation

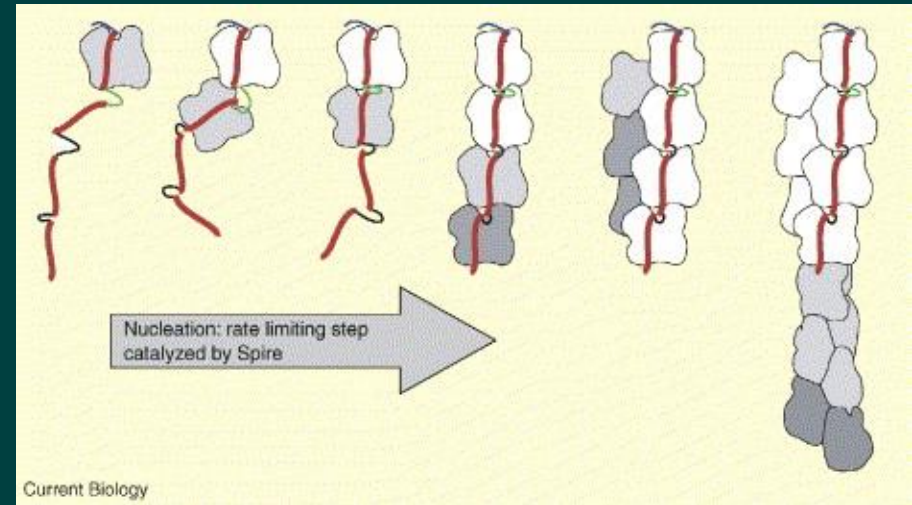
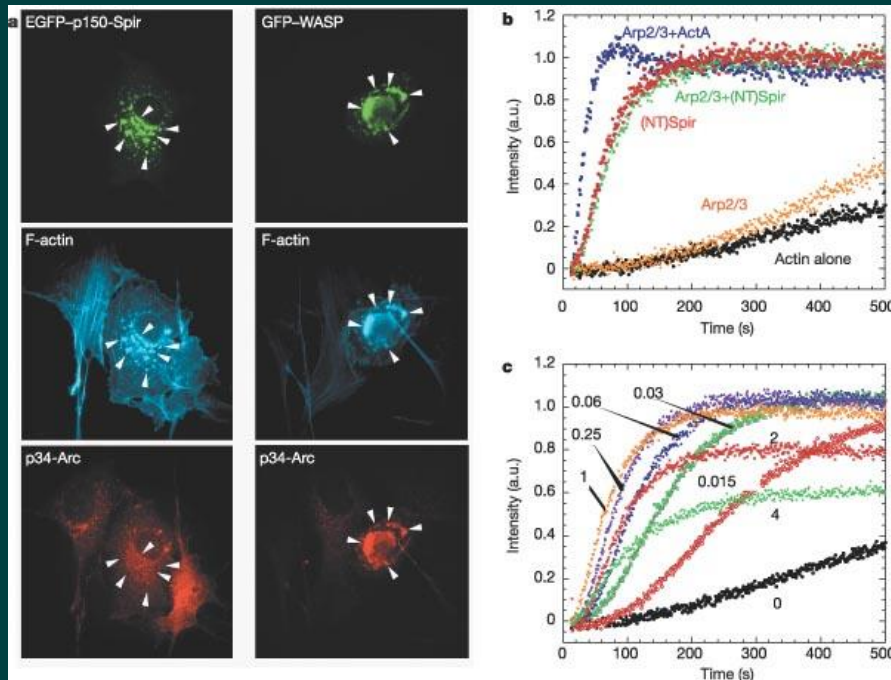


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Role of formins in filopodia formation

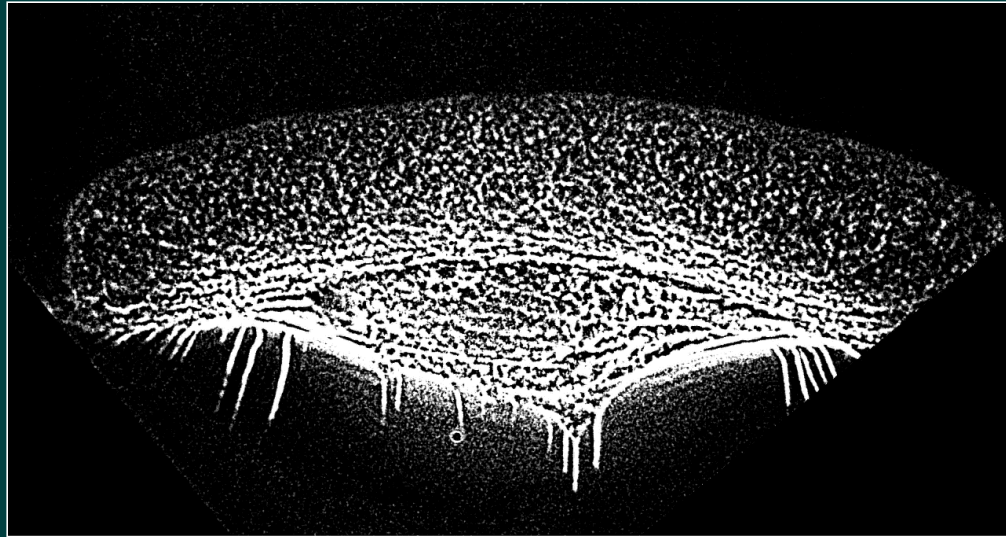


Third actin nucleator – Spire (identified in *Drosophila*, contains four WH2 domains)

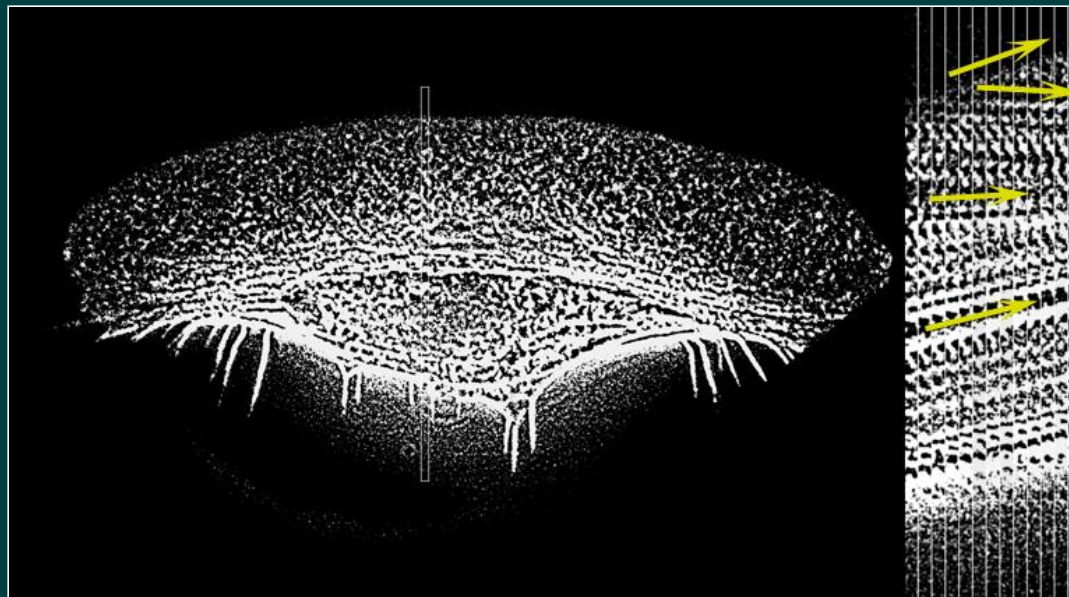


Quinlan et al., Nature, 2005
Baum and Kunda, Current Biol., 2005

polymerization is not enough:
assembly at the front, translocation at the back



Schaub et al.,
MBC, 2007



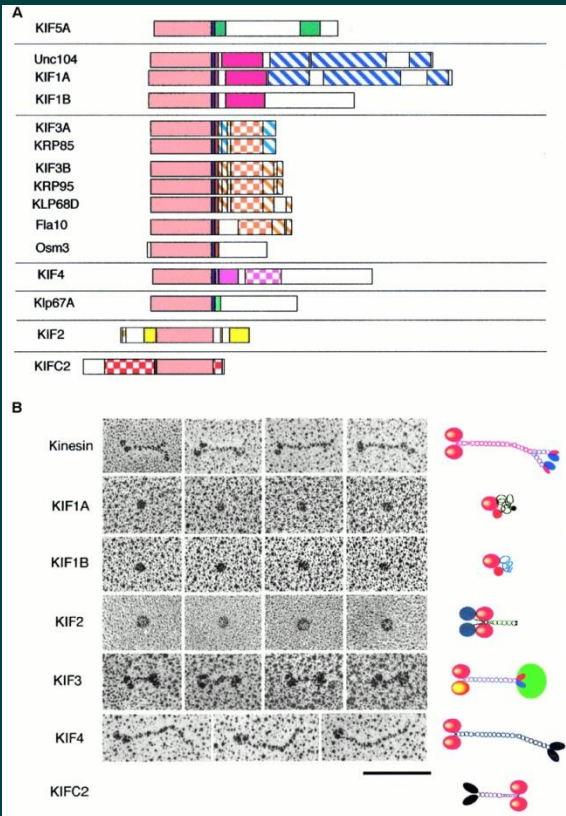
Is there an independent mechanism of force generation at the back?

Motor proteins

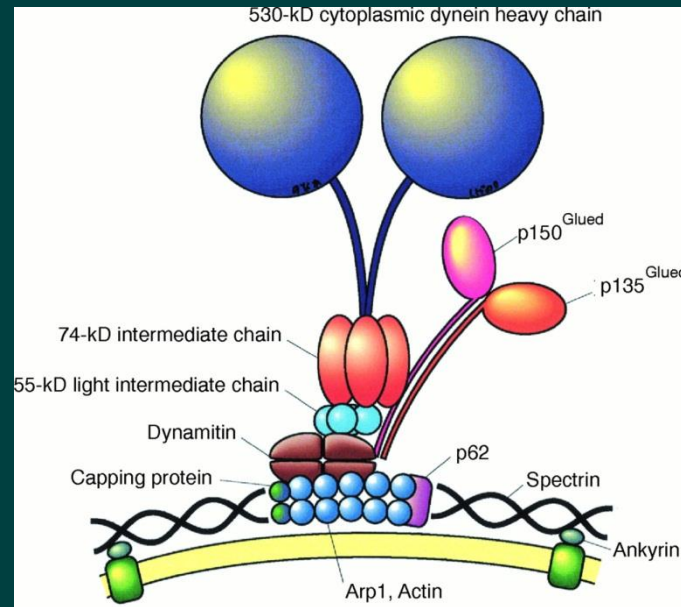


Cartoon of kinesin moving along a microtubule
(Vale lab website)

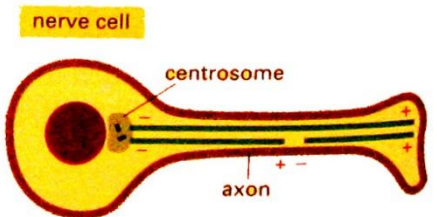
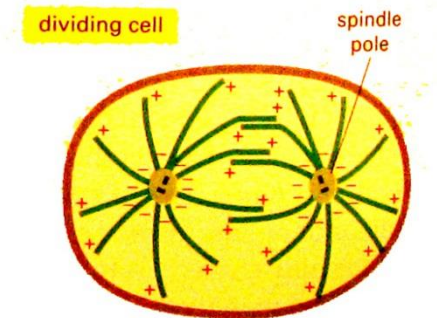
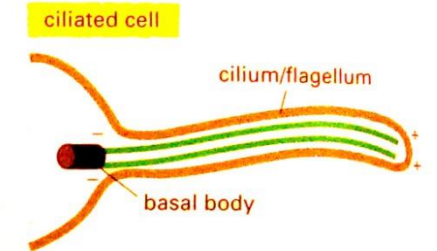
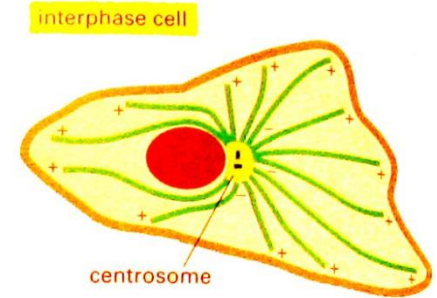
Microtubule-dependent motors



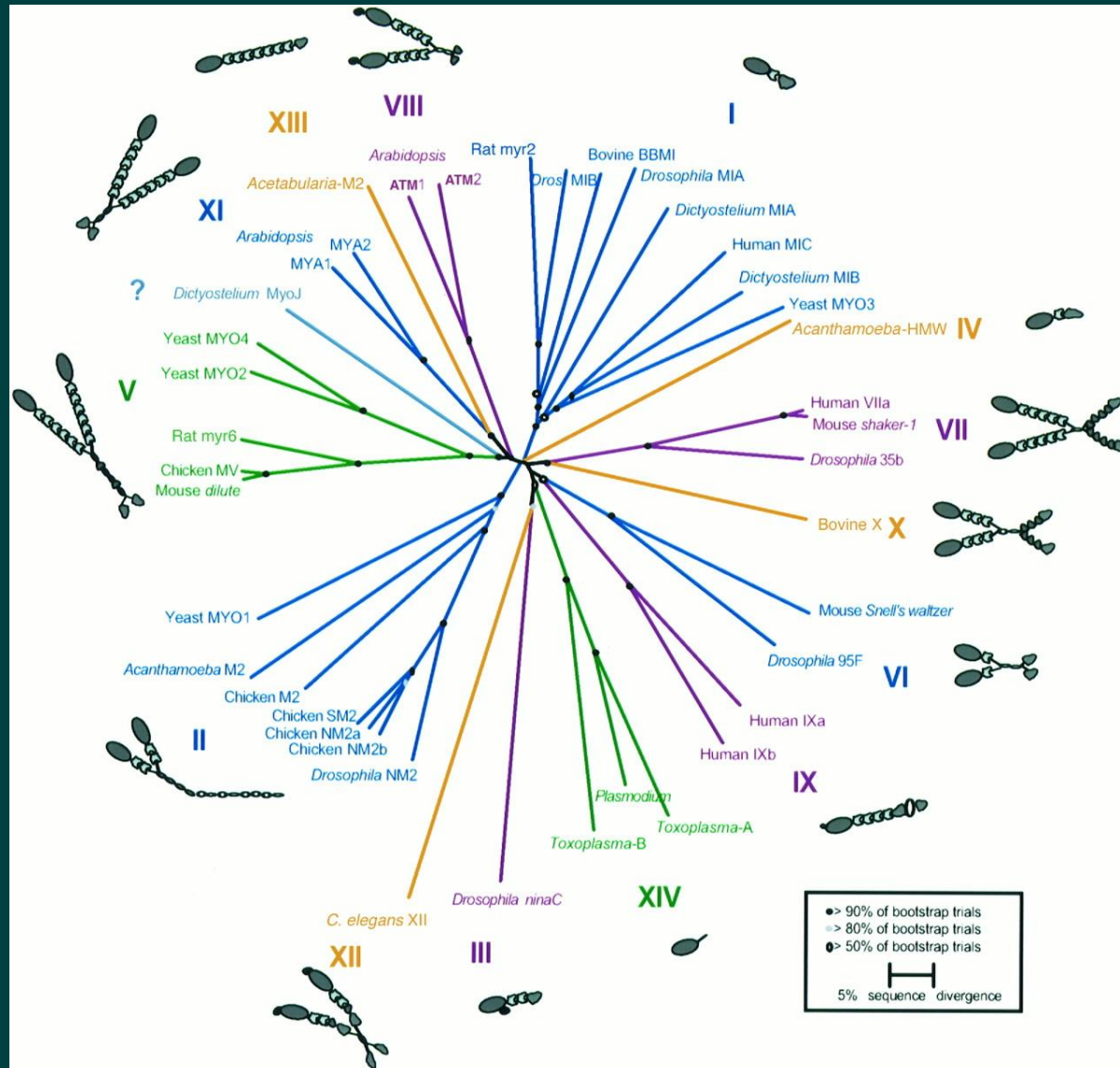
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+ and - end directed



dyneins:
-end directed



Actin-dependent motors: myosins



myosin II in the muscle

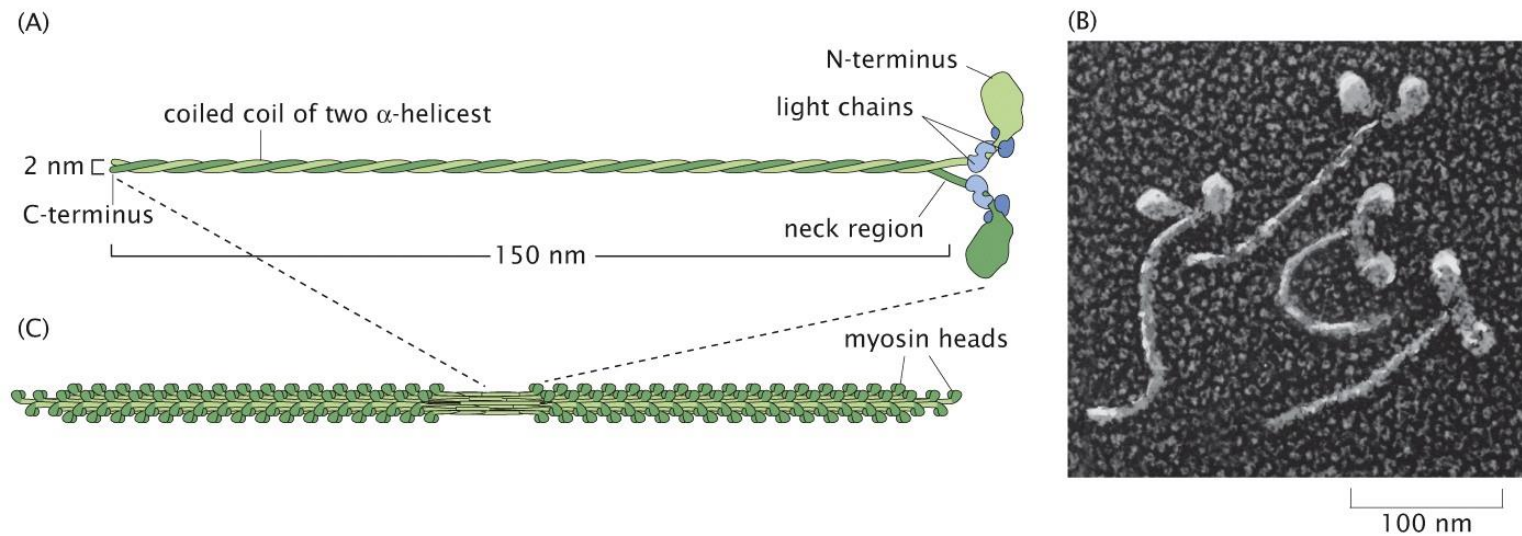


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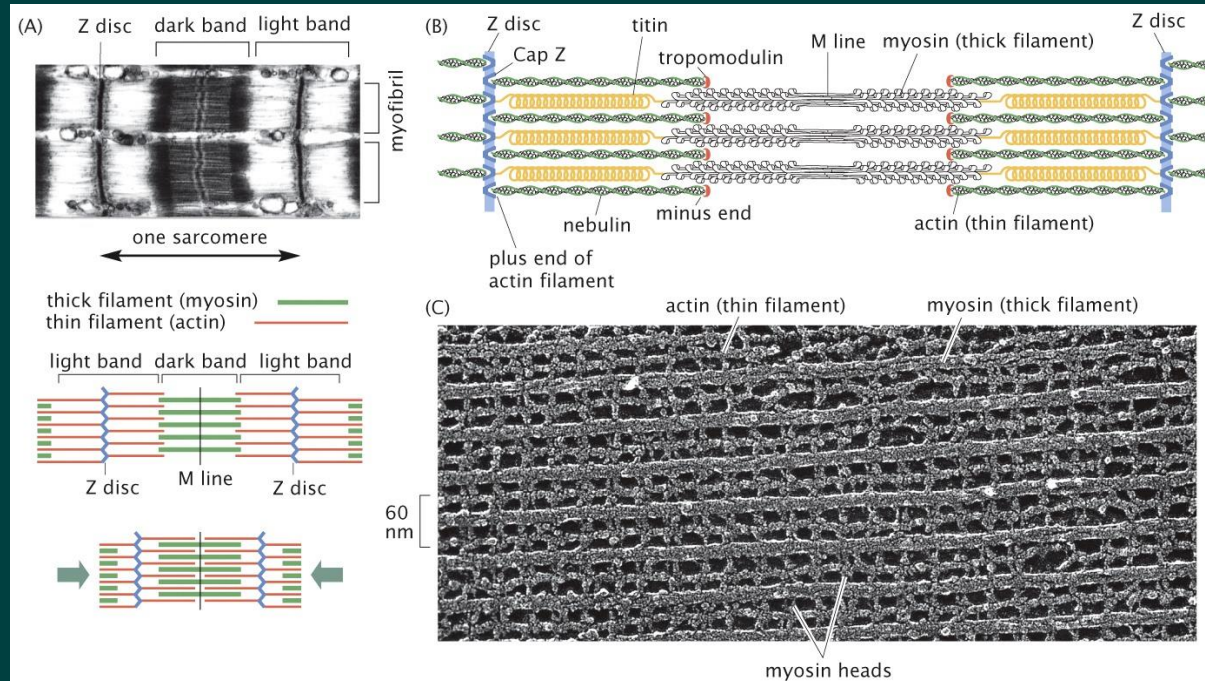


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similar molecular designs in different motor proteins

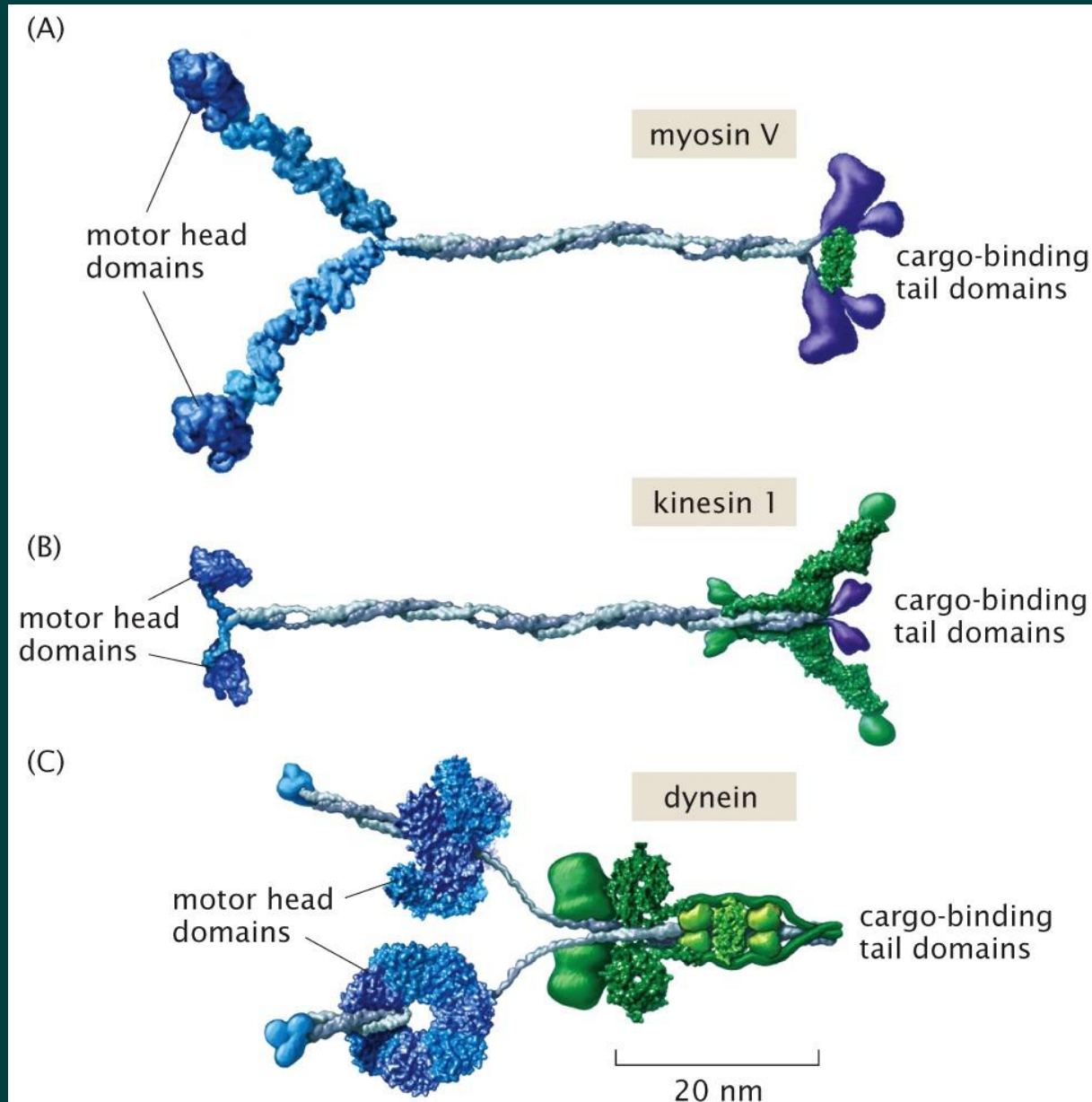
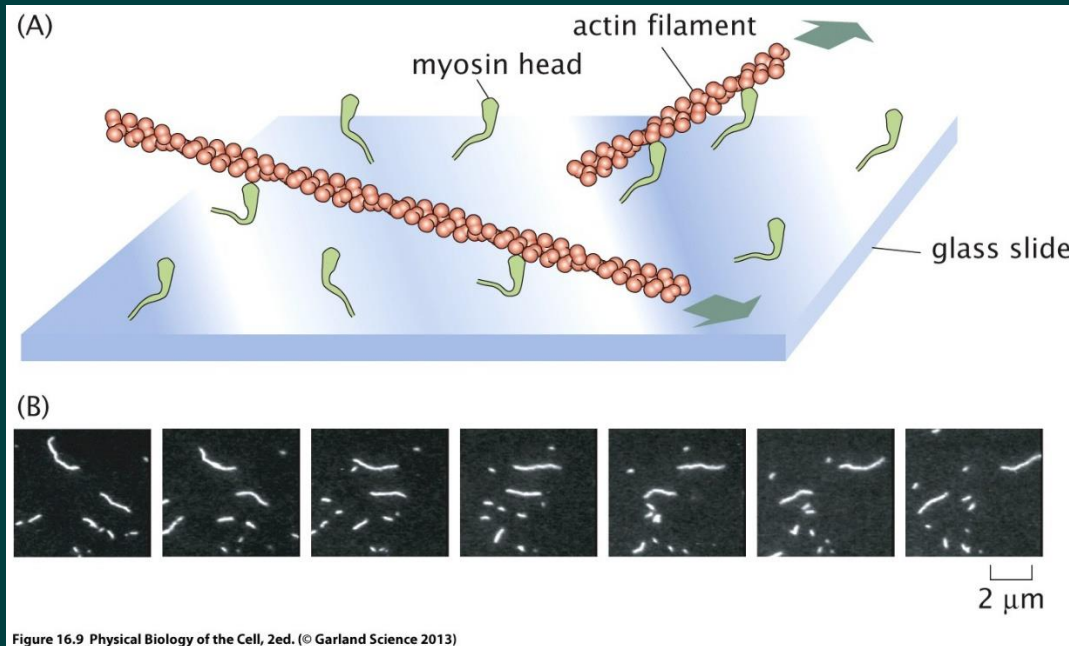


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ways to study motors in action



motors on the surface,
filaments in the solution

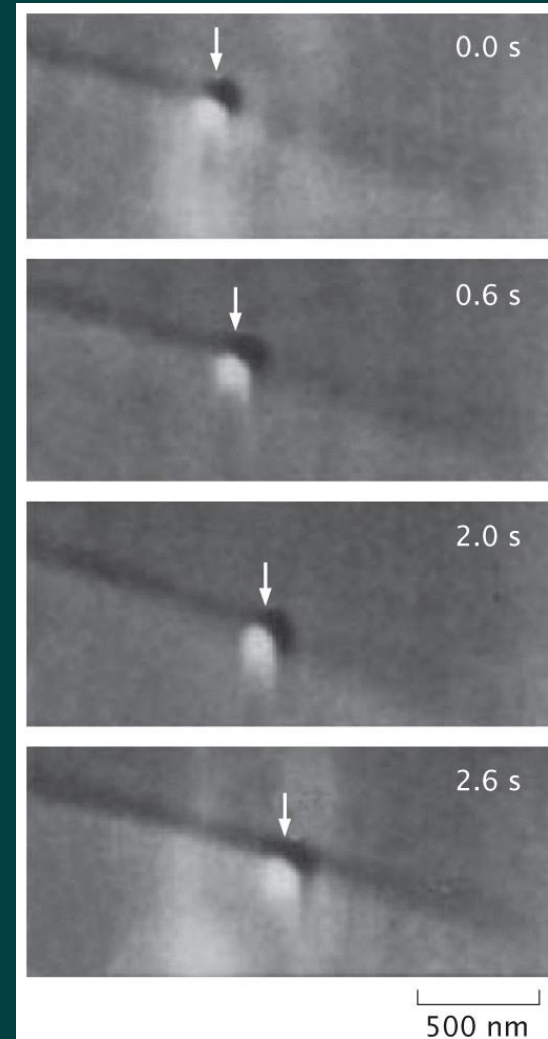
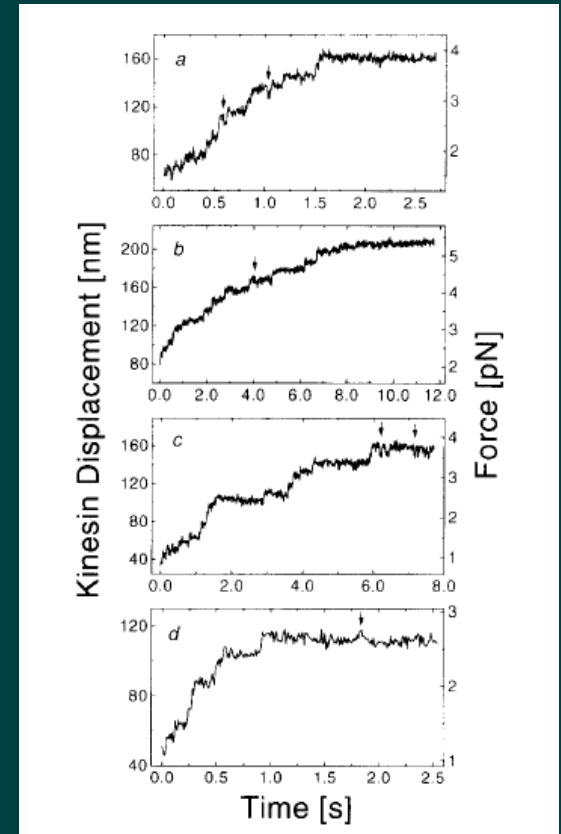
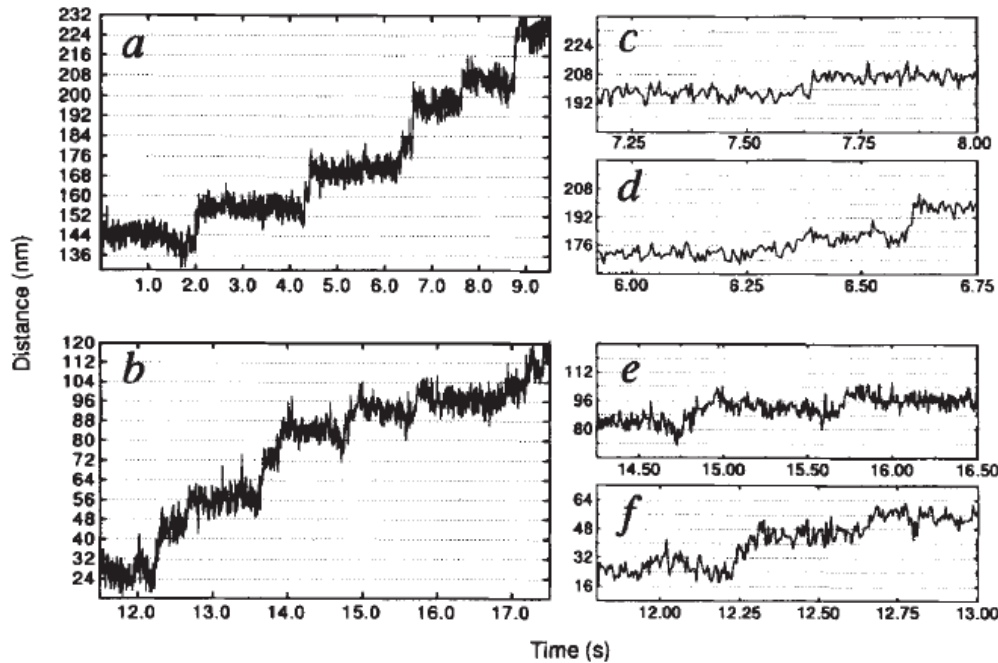
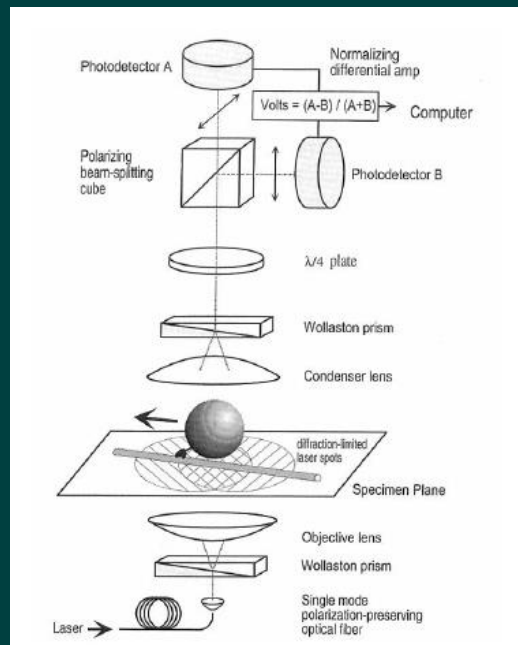


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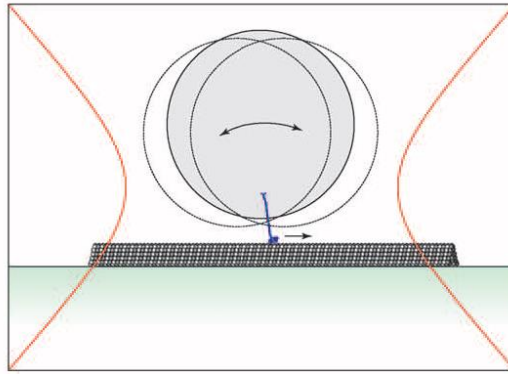
microtubule on the surface,
motors on a bead

Kinesin's steps and forces

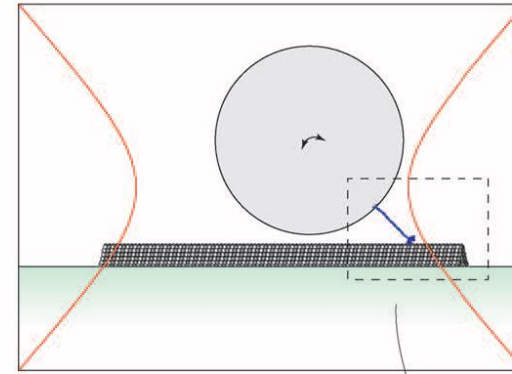


Svoboda et al., Nature, 1993
Svoboda and Block, Nature, 1994

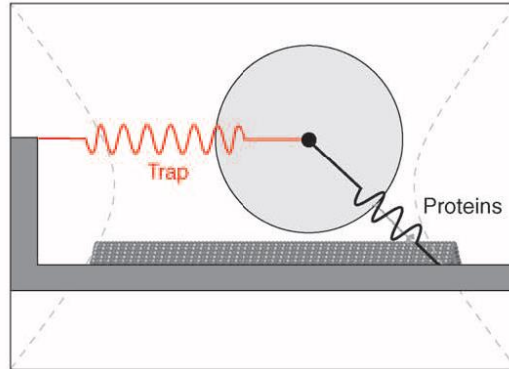
(a) Near zero load



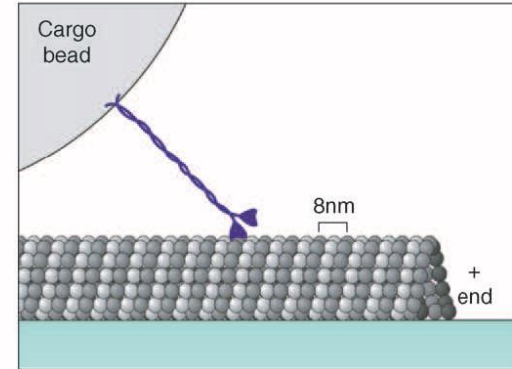
(b) Approaching stall force



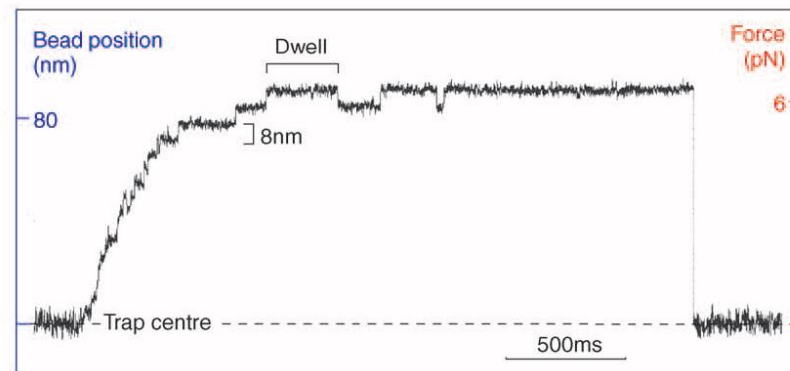
(c) Trap and protein stiffnesses



(d) Zoomed view



(e) Steps and dwells



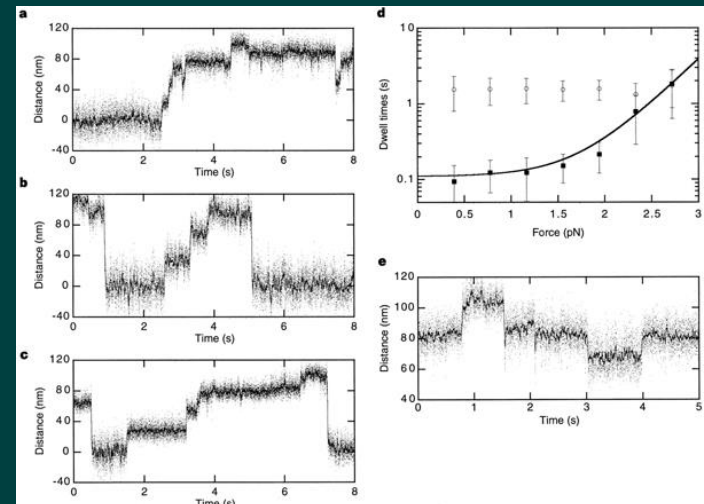
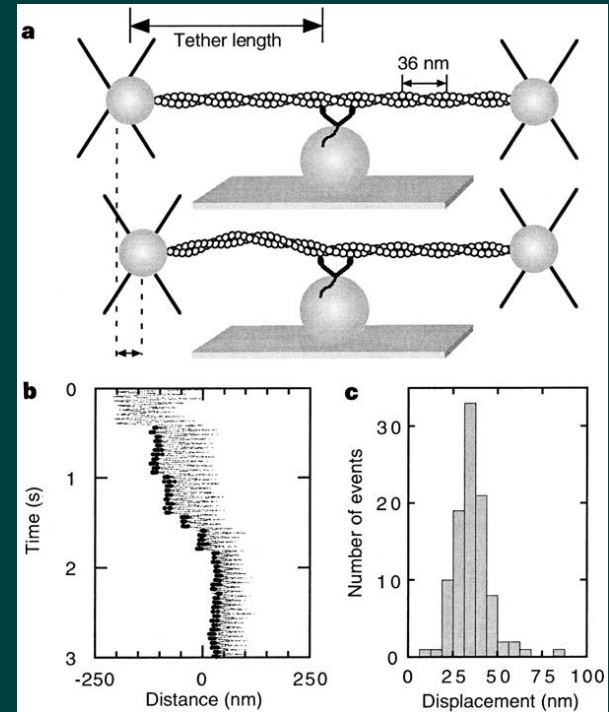
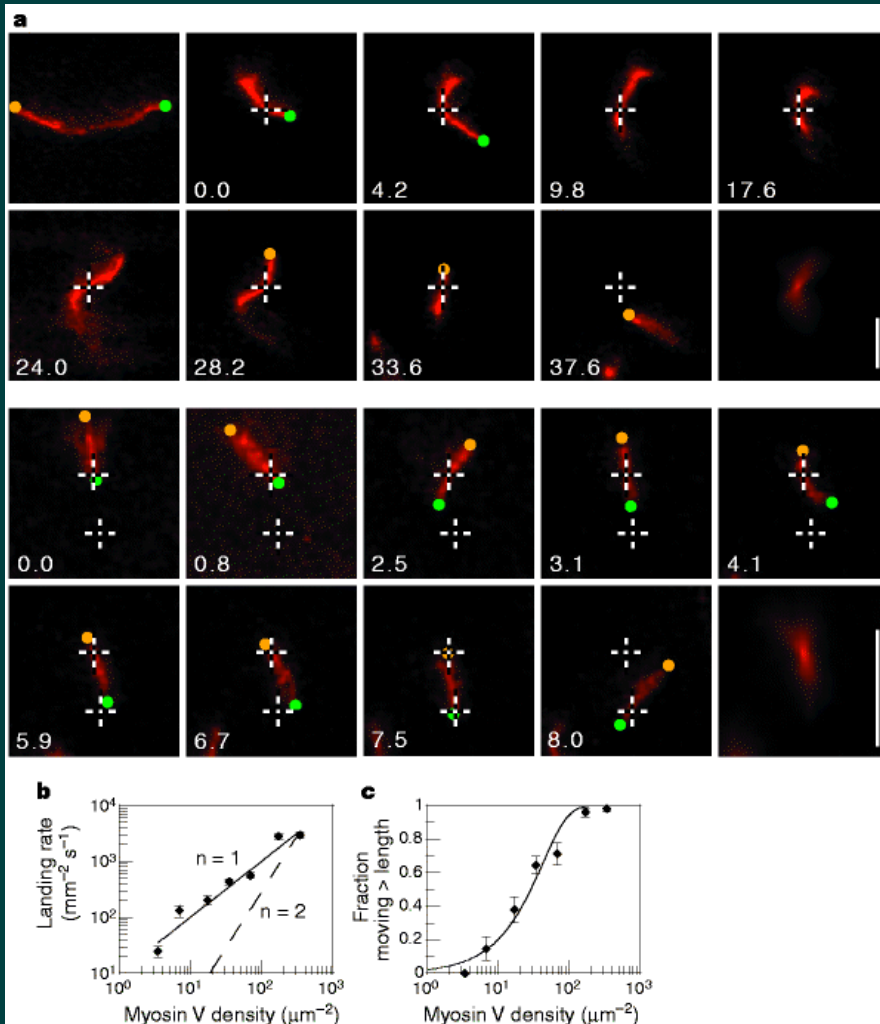
Biophysical properties of motors

step size

stall force

processivity: how many steps can motor take without detaching

Myosin V is a processive actin-based motor



Mehta et al., Nature, 1999

What is the mechanism of processivity?

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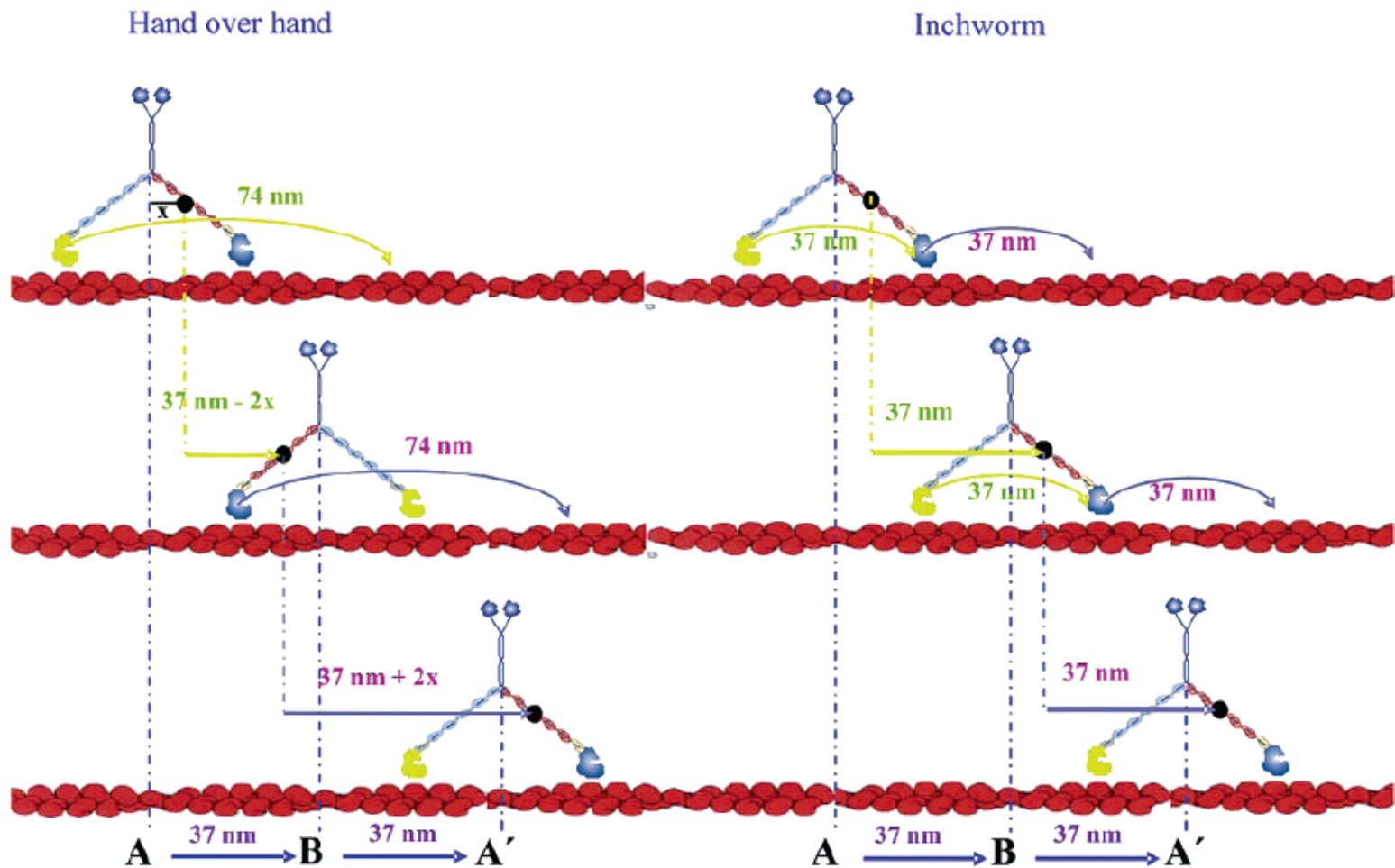
two active sites

hand over hand?

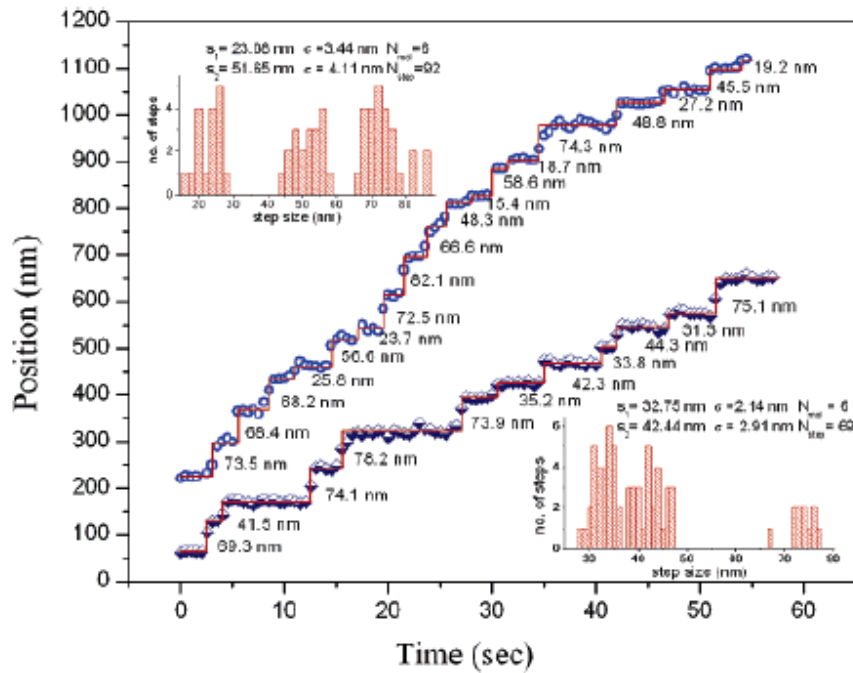
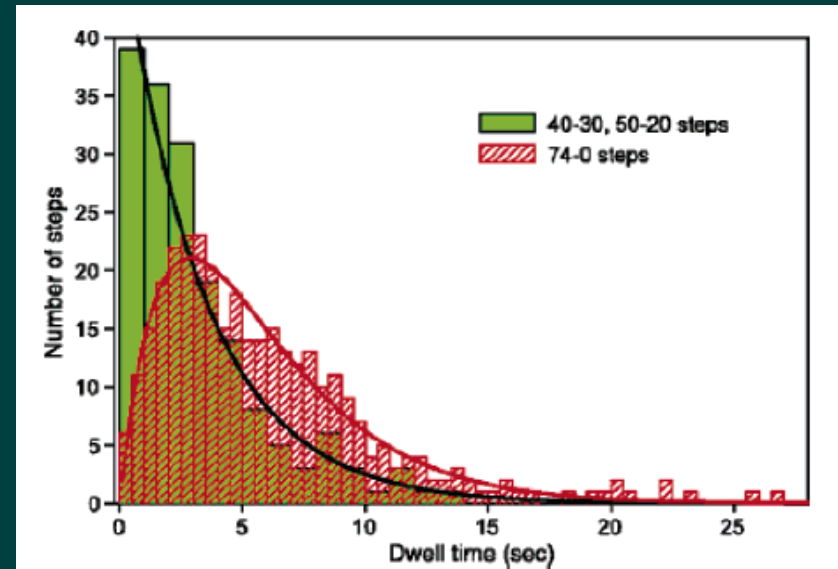
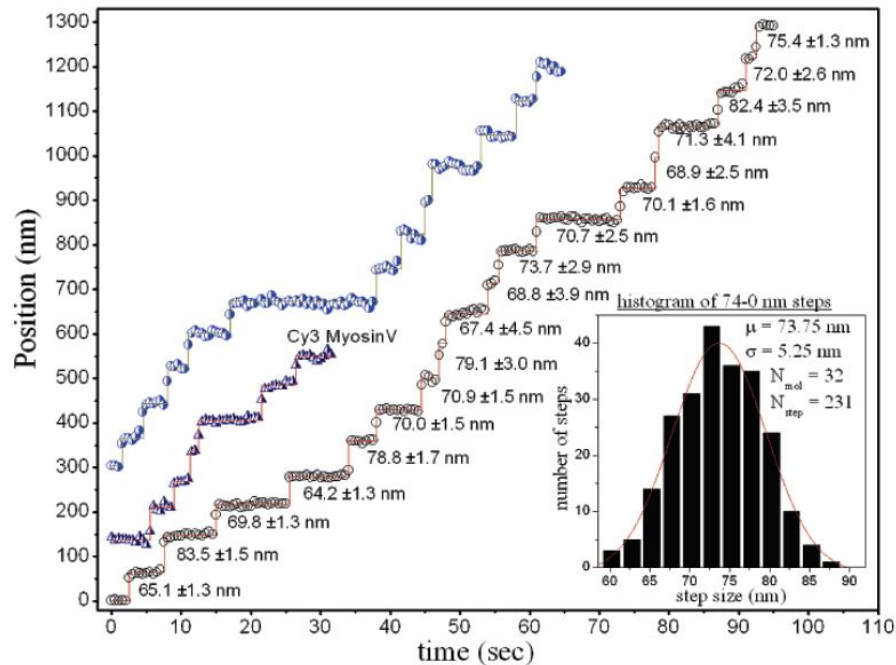
inchworm?



could be distinguished by labeling just one motor head in the dimer



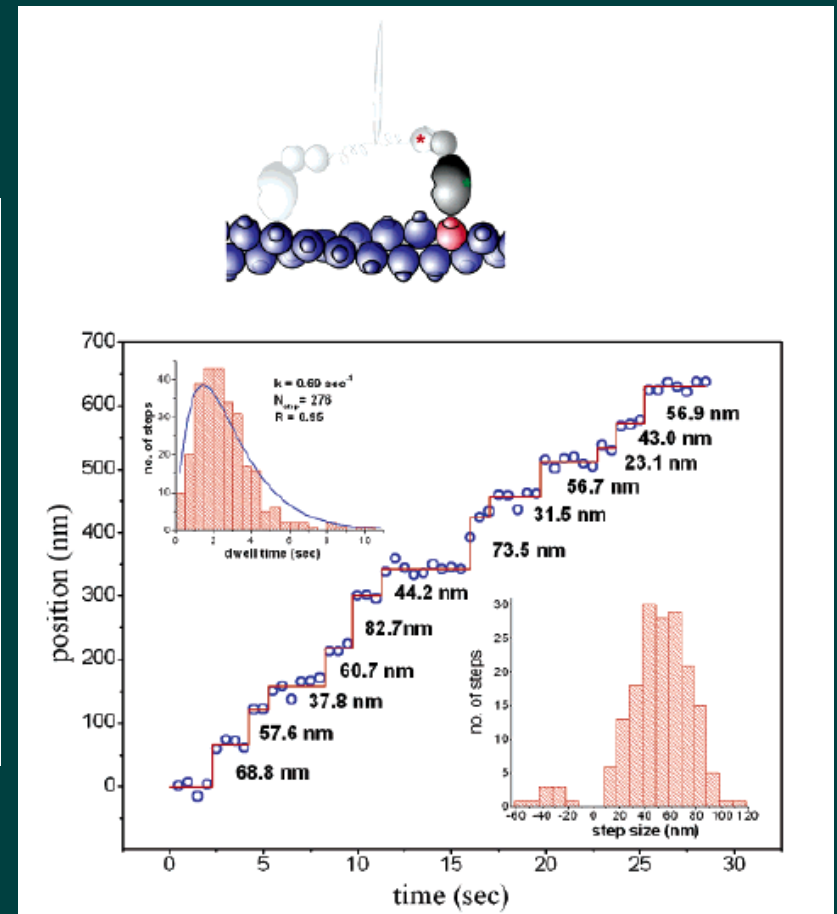
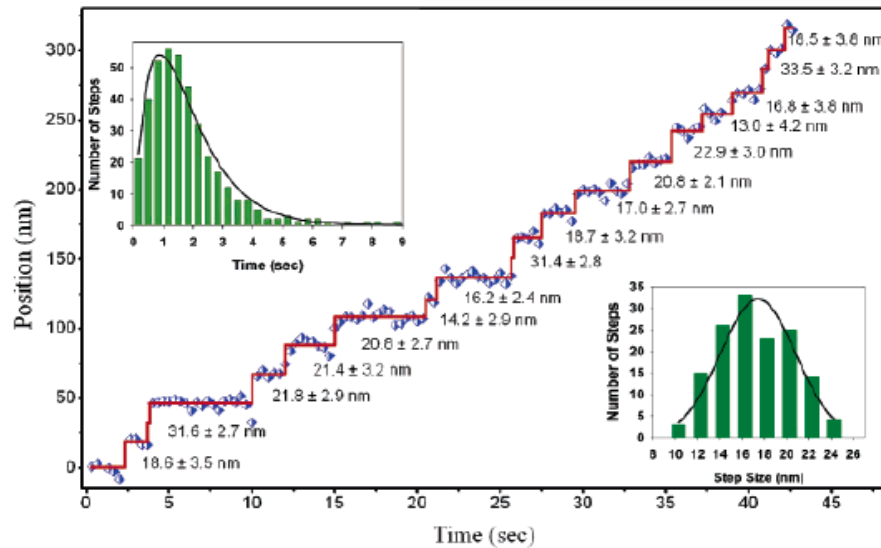
Step sizes and dwell times for myosin V suggest hand over hand mechanism



Yildiz and Selvin
Acc. Chem. Res., 2005

Myosin VI

Kinesin



Yildiz and Selvin, Acc. Chem. Res., 2005

Next time:

what if there are many motors on the same cargo?

what microtubule-dependent motors do in the cells
(transport, mitosis)