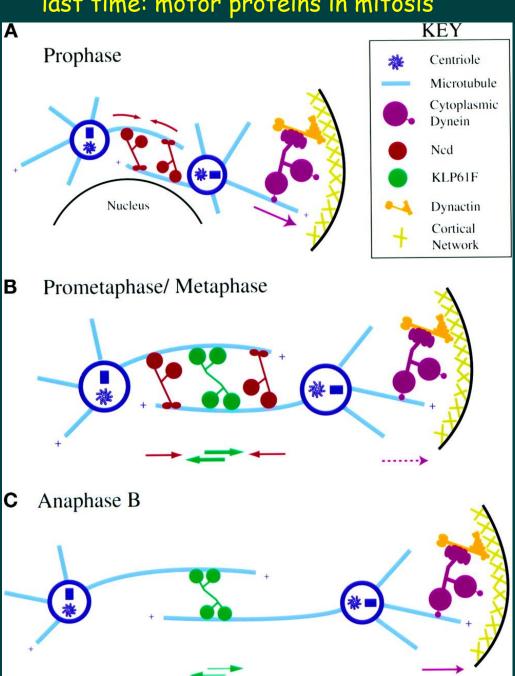
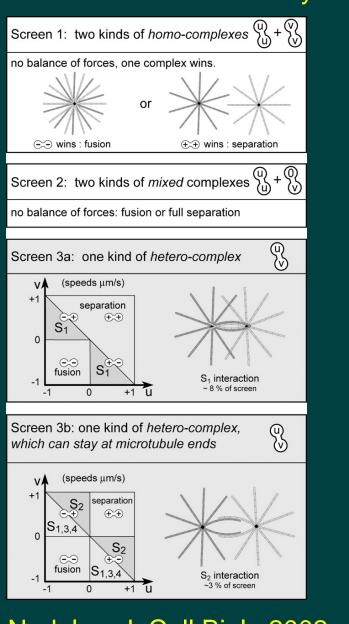
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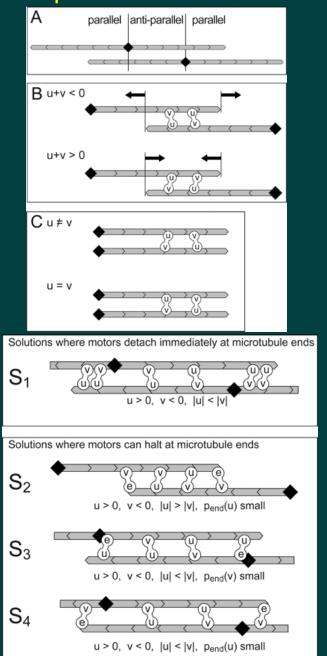


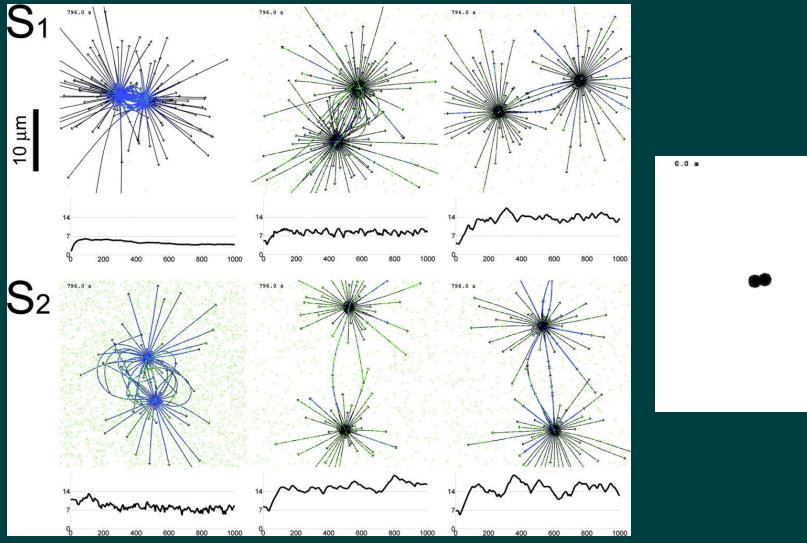
Sharp et al., Mol. Biol. Cell, 2000

### Conditions for steady-state pole separation

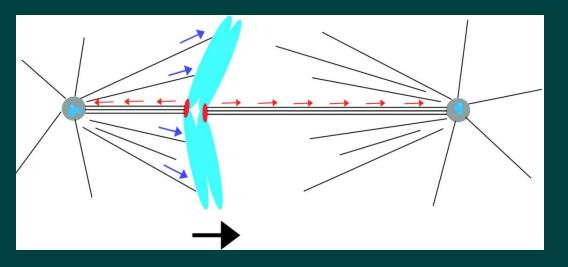


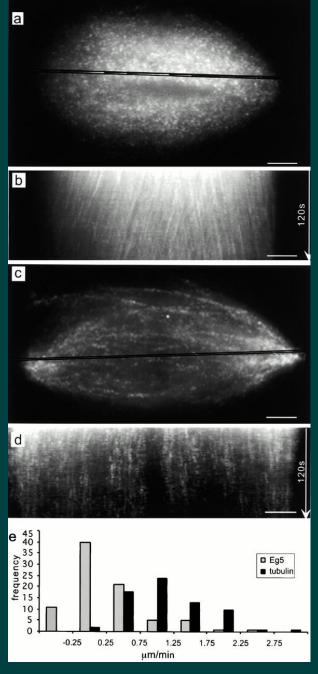
Nedelec, J. Cell Biol., 2002





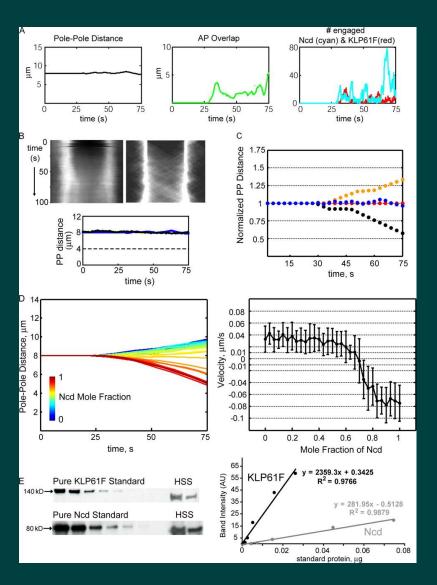
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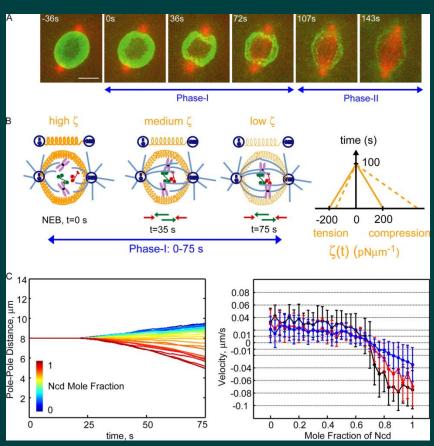




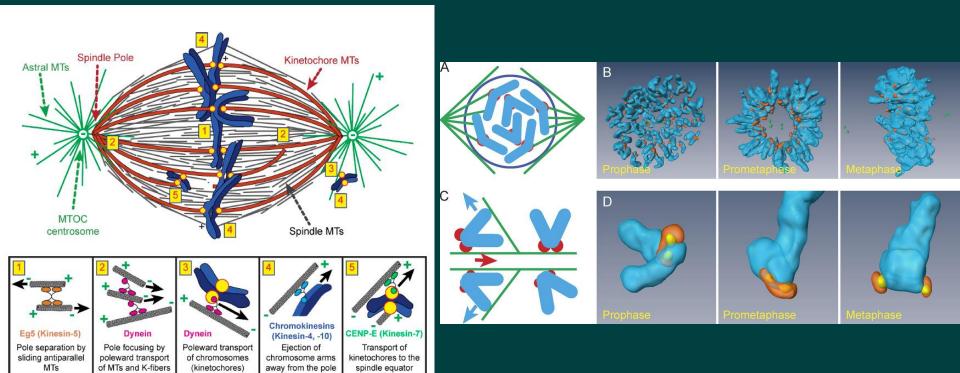
Kapoor and Mitchison, J. Cell Biol.sli22001

#### more recent force-balance model: force-dependent detachment of motors Nuclear lamina can stabilize the separation

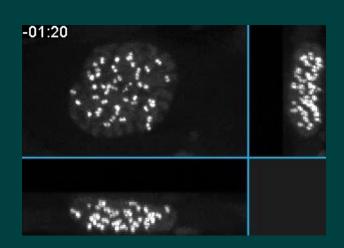


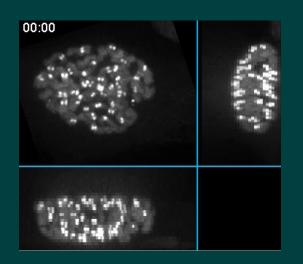


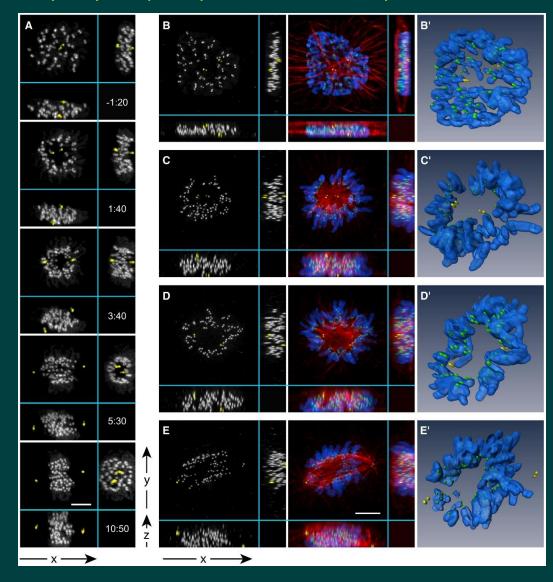
## How do microtubules (kinetochore fibers) find chromosomes (kinetochores): search and capture hypothesis and what makes it work



### Chromosome ring at the spindle periphery helps search and capture

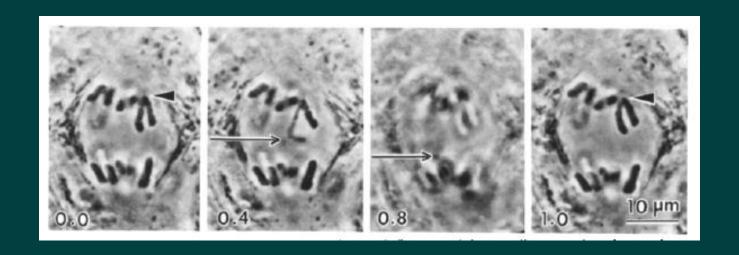






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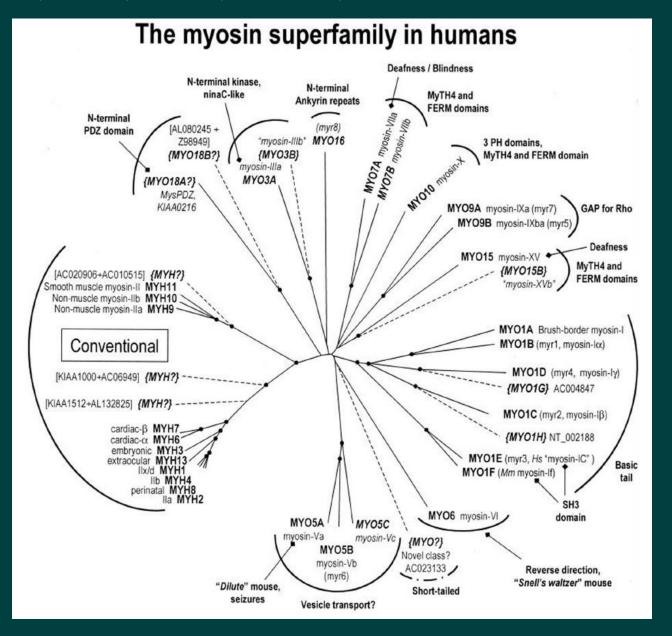
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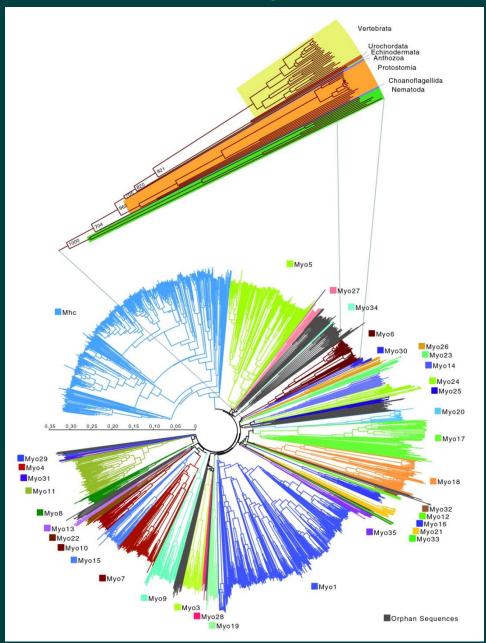
microneedle in grasshopper spermatocytes Nicklas, J. Cell Biol., 1983

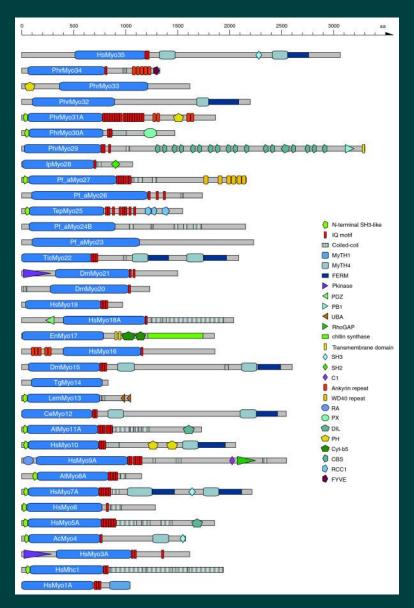
100 nN, but 1 nN is enough to overcome viscous resistance

### Myosin superfamily: actin-dependent translational motors



### Filogenetic tree of myosin superfamily



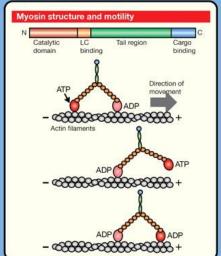


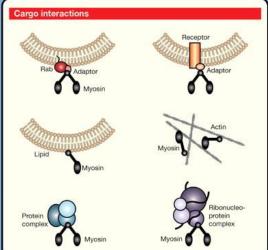
### Summary of myosin functions

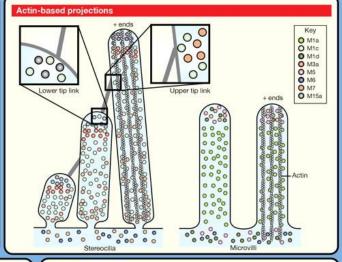


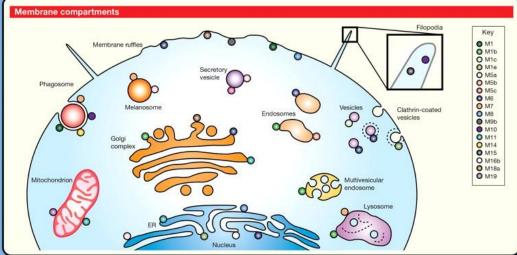
#### The Myosin Superfamily at a Glance

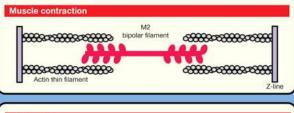
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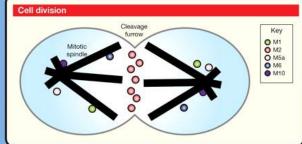




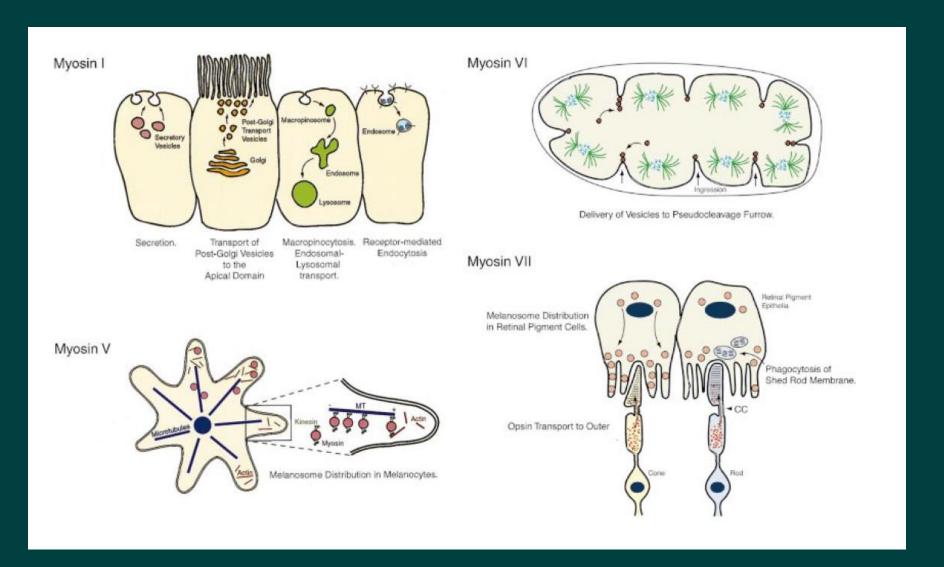




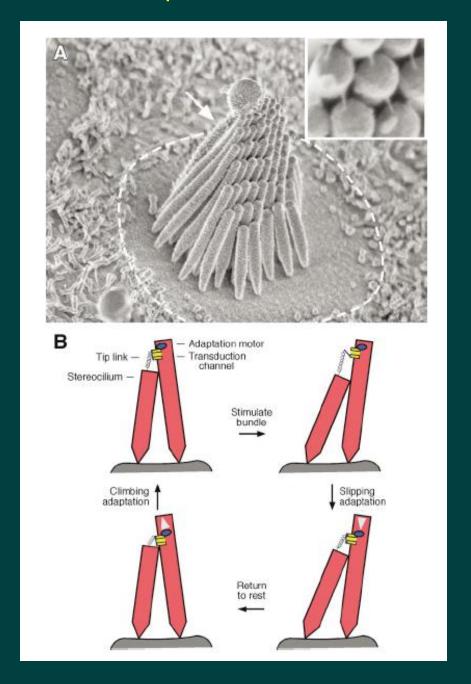




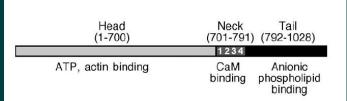
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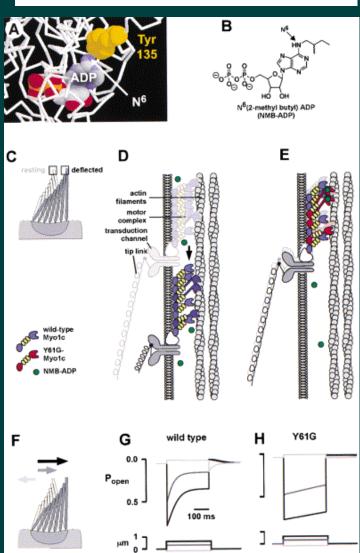


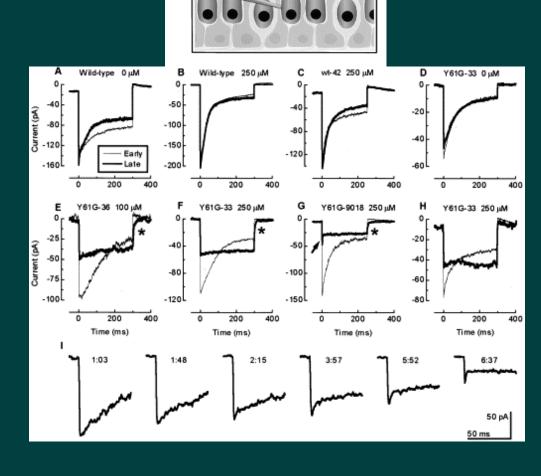
### Adaptation motor



### Myosin 1c in adaptation by hair cells

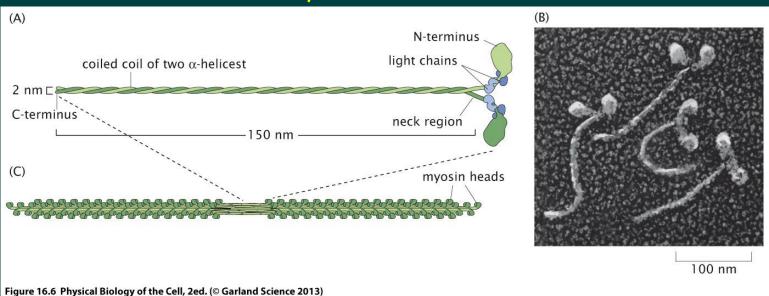


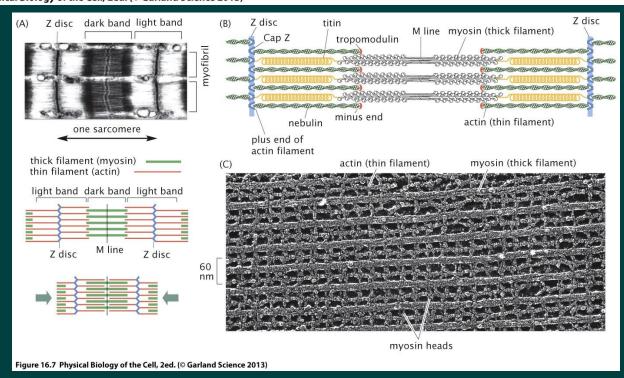




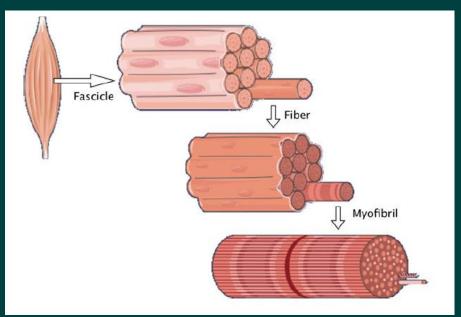
Holt et al., Cell, 2002

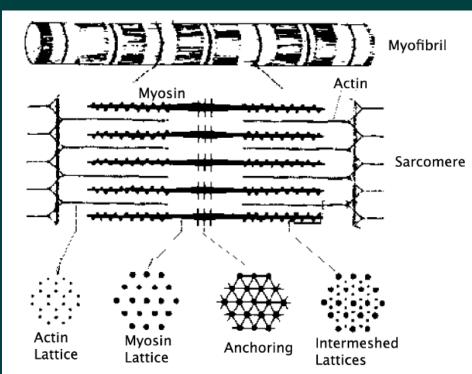
### myosin II in the muscle





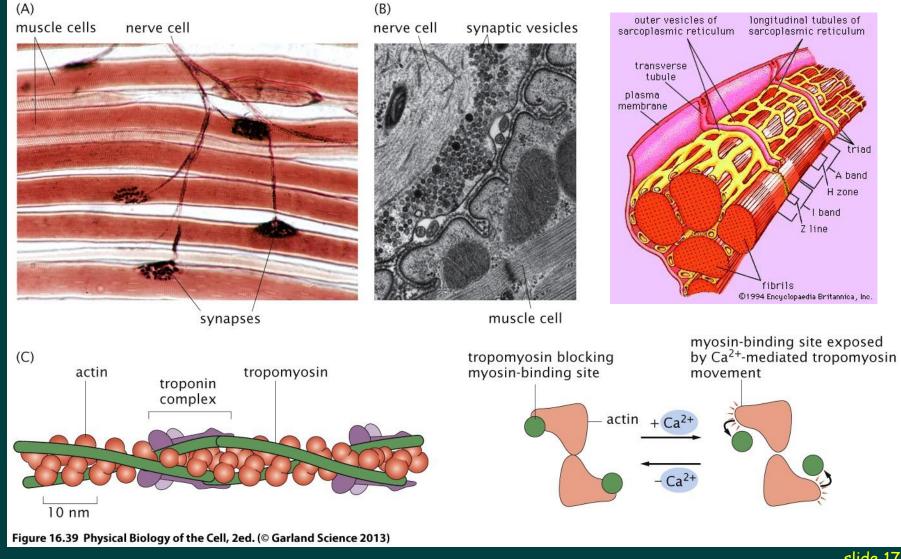
### Regular organization of contractile units in skeletal muscle



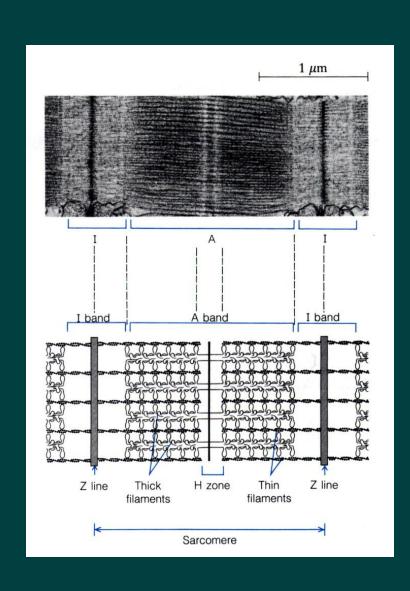


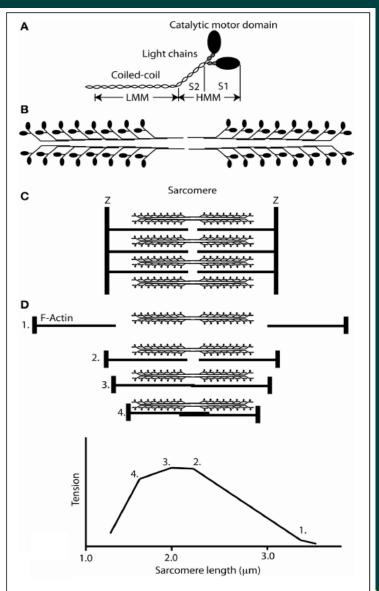
Williams, 2011

Muscle contraction is activated through release of Ca-ions from sarcoplasmic reticulum leading to a conformational change in troponin-tropomyosin complex making actin filaments accessible to myosin



### Muscle contraction: sliding filament hypothesis Huxley and Hanson, Huxley and Niedergerke, 1954

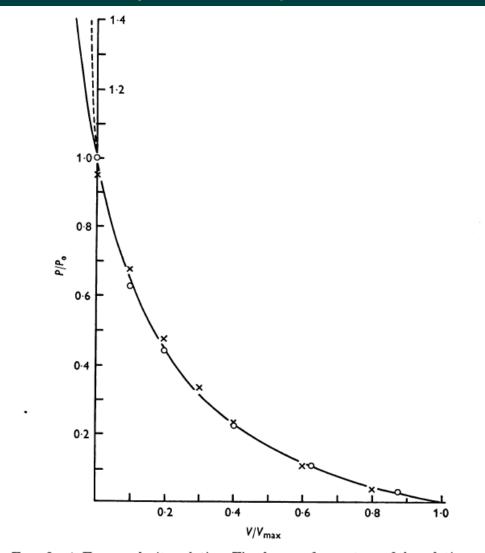




Linear force-velocity relation (an abstraction often used in modeling)

$$F = F_0 (1- V/V_{max})$$

### Force-velocity relationship for skeletal muscle is hyperbolic (Hill, 1938)



Text-fig. 1. Force-velocity relation. The degree of curvature of the relation varies between different preparations, and with temperature. Continuous line: Hill's (1938) relation,

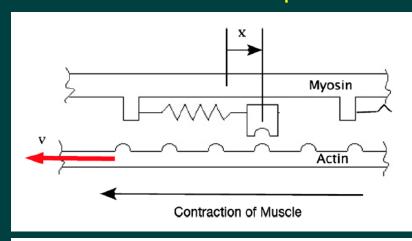
$$P/P_0 = (1 - V/V_{\text{max}})/(1 + (P_0/a)V/V_{\text{max}}),$$

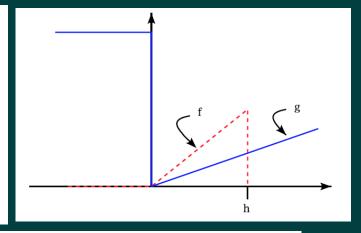
with  $P_0/a = 4$ , appropriate for frog muscle at  $0^{\circ}$  C.

 $(F+a)(V+b)=b(F_0+a)$ 

A.F. Huxley, 1974

## A.F. Huxley's model of muscle contraction: force and the probability to attach and detach depend on the cross-bridge deformation





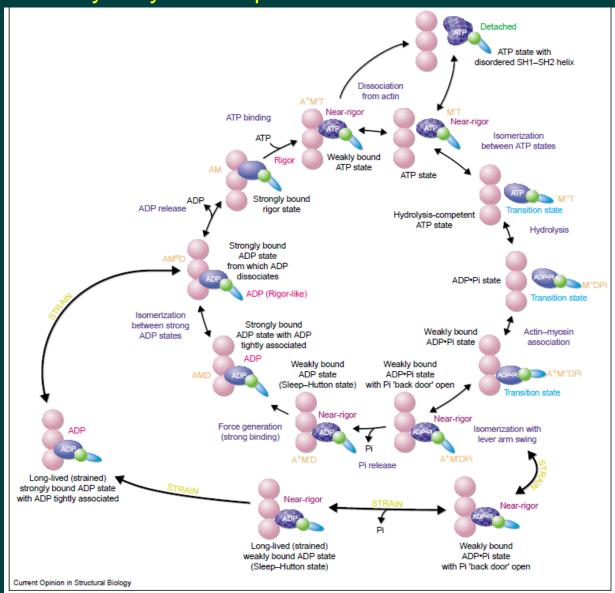
$$\begin{split} \frac{d}{dt}N((a,b),t) &= \int_a^b \frac{\partial n}{\partial t}(x,t) \, \mathrm{d}x \\ &= \int_a^b \left( F(x,t) - G(x,t) \right) \, \mathrm{d}x + v(t) [n(b,t) - n(a,t)]. \end{split}$$

$$\frac{\partial n(x,t)}{\partial t} = F(x,t) - G(x,t) + v(t) \left(\frac{\partial n(x,t)}{\partial x}\right)$$

$$P(t) = \int_{-X}^{X} \mathcal{E}(x) n(x, t) dx$$

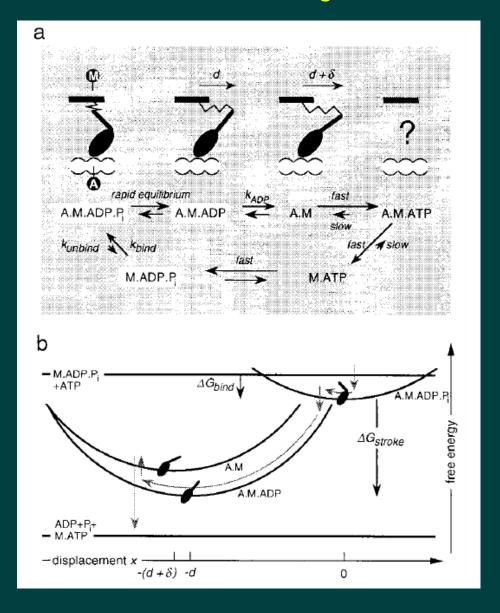
Williams, 2011

# Huxley's model does not consider the complexity of myosin cycle of ATP-hydrolysis and power stroke



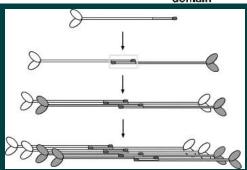
Houdusse and Sweeney, 2001

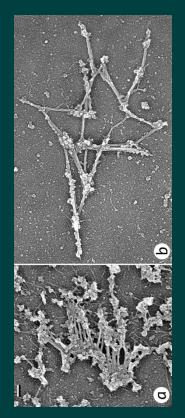
### Molecular model taking into account myosin cycle

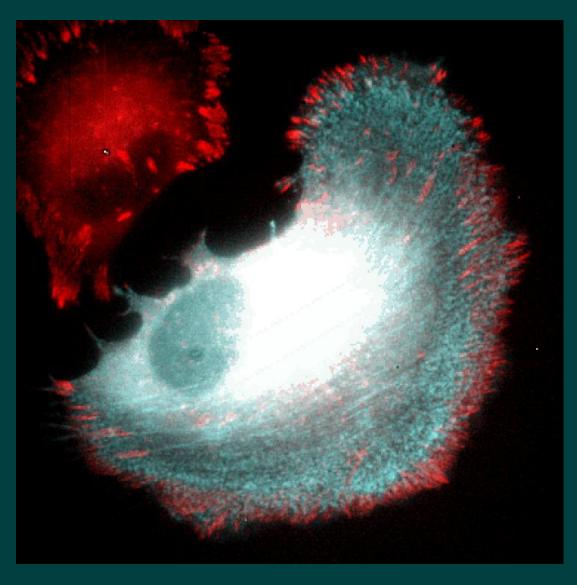


### **Myosin II in non-muscle cells**



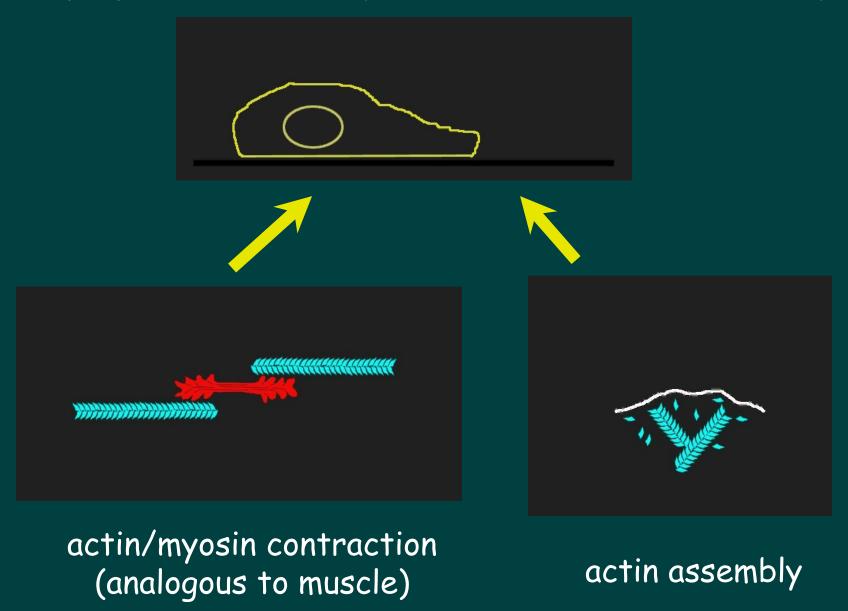




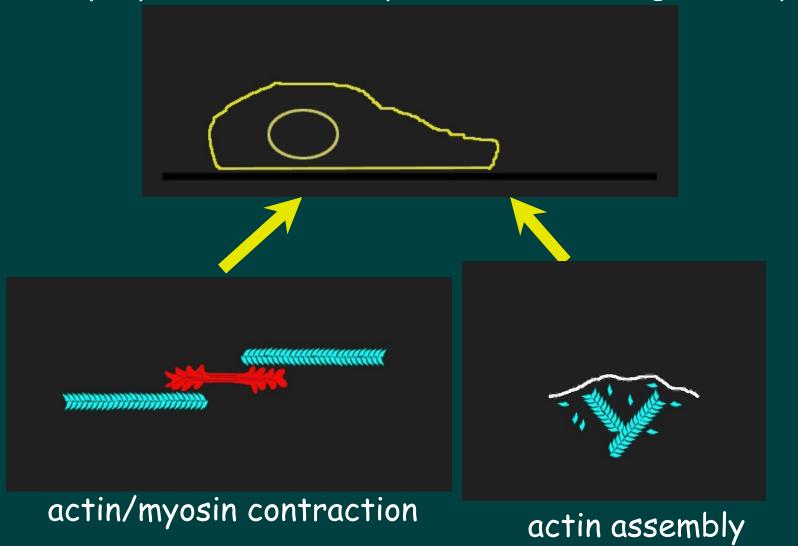


Verkhovsky et al., J. Cell Biol., 1995 slide 24

## proposed role for myosin II in crawling cell motility

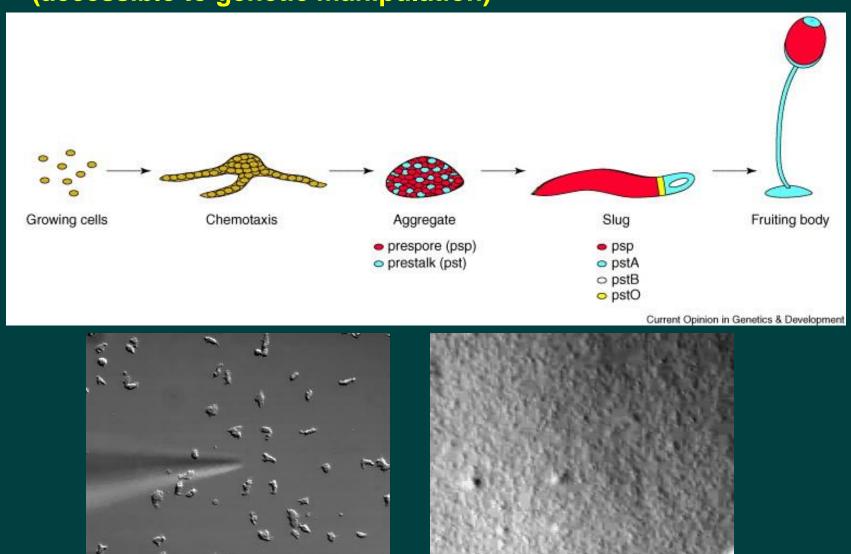


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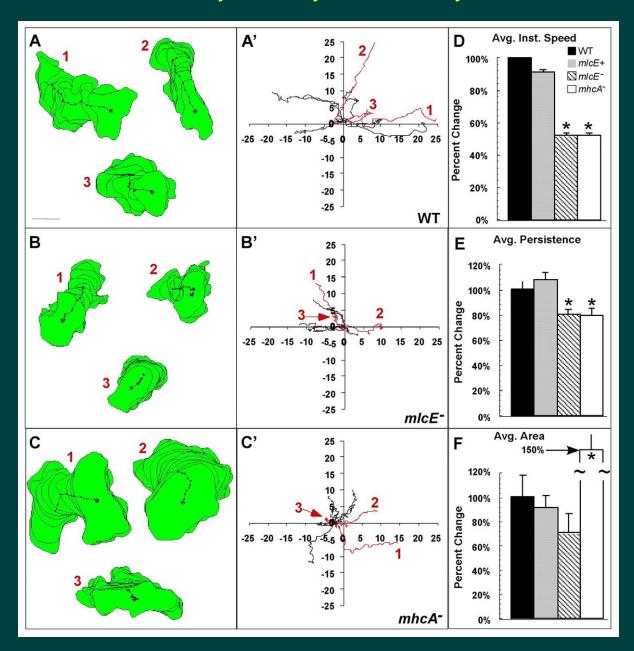
Is myosin II essential for retraction? What is the contraction mechanism?

# Dictyostelium: a model for motility and chemotaxis (accessible to genetic manipulation)



Myosin II mutants exhibit motility and chemotaxis, but do not form fruiting bodies

### Motility in Dictyostelium myosin II mutants



Lombardi et al., J. Cell Sci., 2007

### Myosin II-null cells cannot move on strongly adhesive substrates

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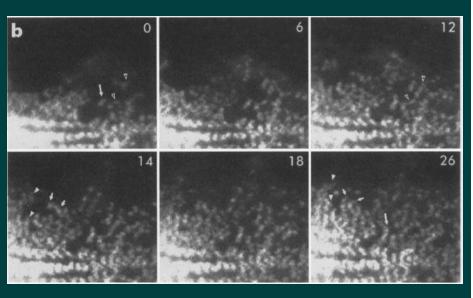
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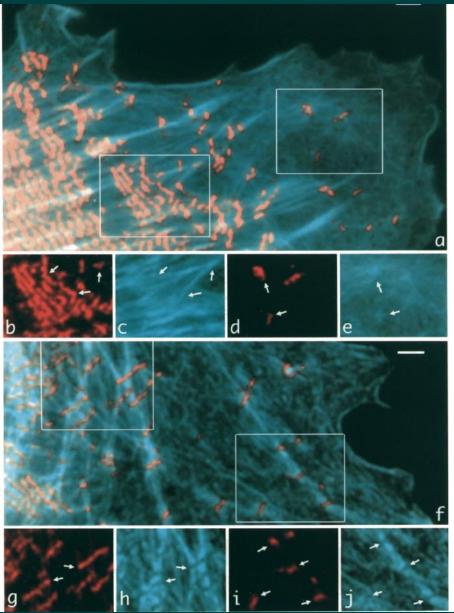
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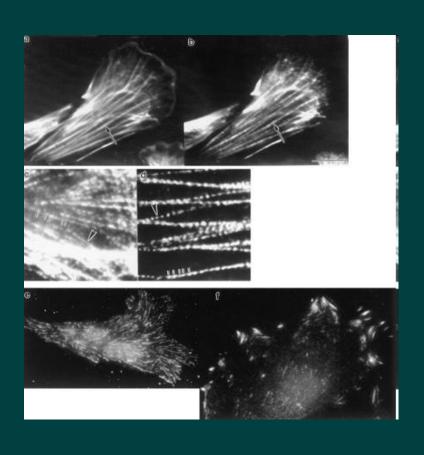
## Myosin II organization in non-muscle cells (fibroblasts)





Verkhovsky et al, 1995

In migrating fibroblasts, actin filament bundles have irregular myosin II organization and graded actin filament polarity



Longitudinal bundles % Barbed ends facing forward Bundle position (% of cell length) b % Barbed ends facing nearest cell side Transverse bundles Bundle position (% of cell width)

Cramer et al., JCB, 1997

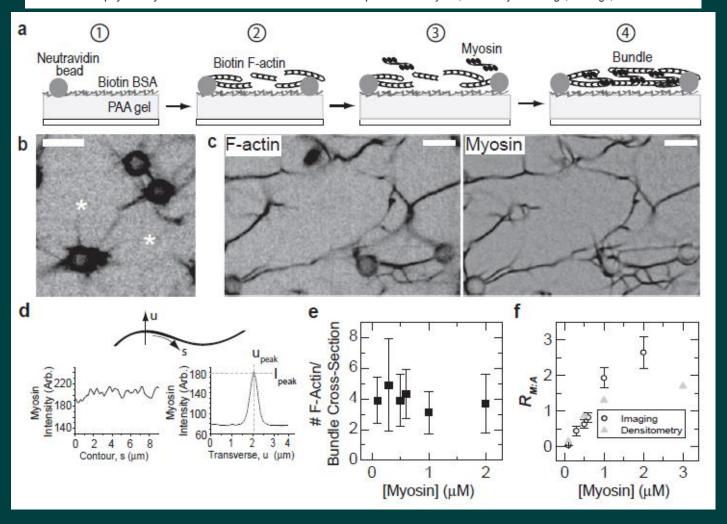
# How could actomyosin bundles contract in non-muscle cells if there is no regularly alternating actin polarity?

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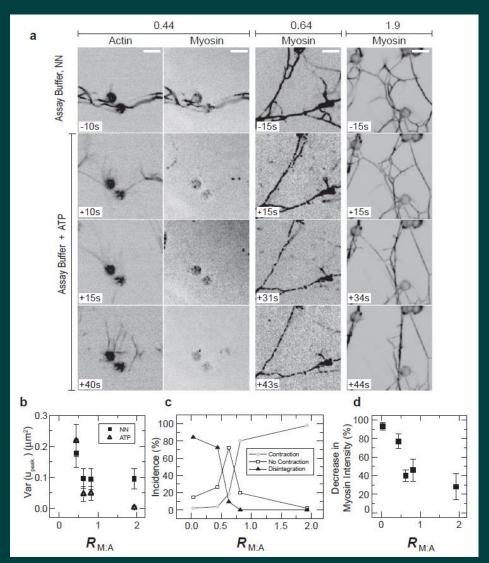
#### **Reconstitution of Contractile Actomyosin Bundles**

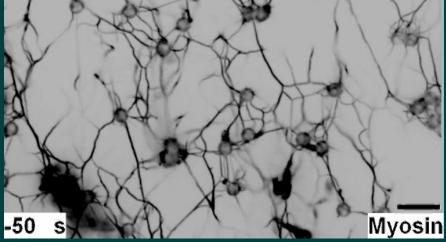
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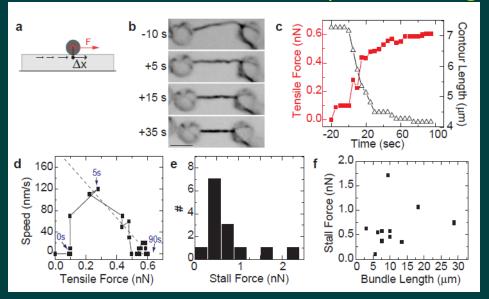


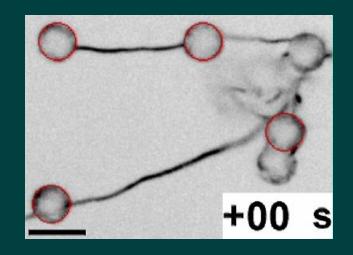
### Reconstituted bundles contract

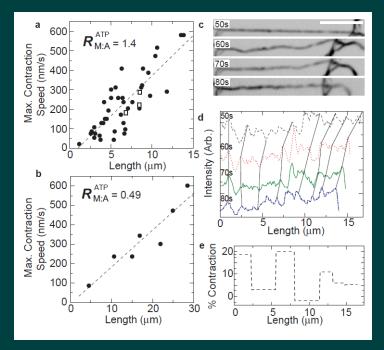


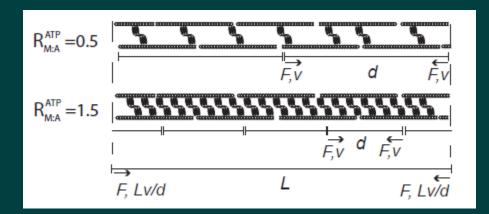


## Force does not depend on length, velocity proportional to length





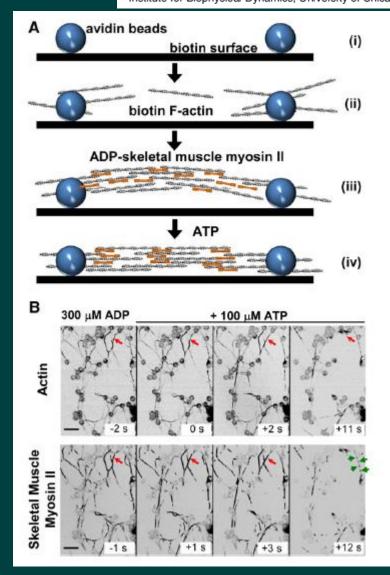


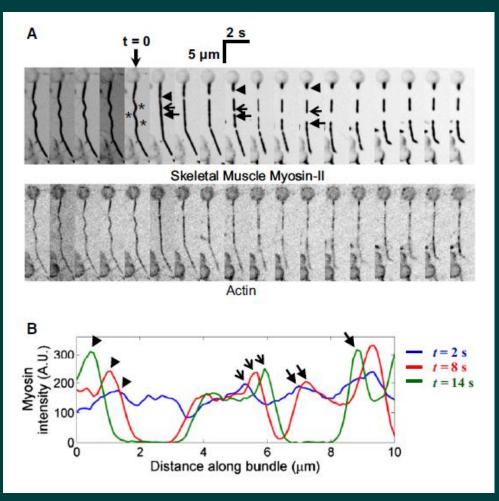


#### Self-Organization of Myosin II in Reconstituted Actomyosin Bundles

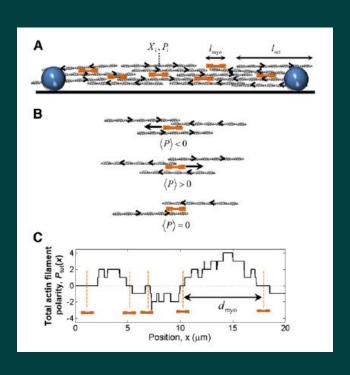
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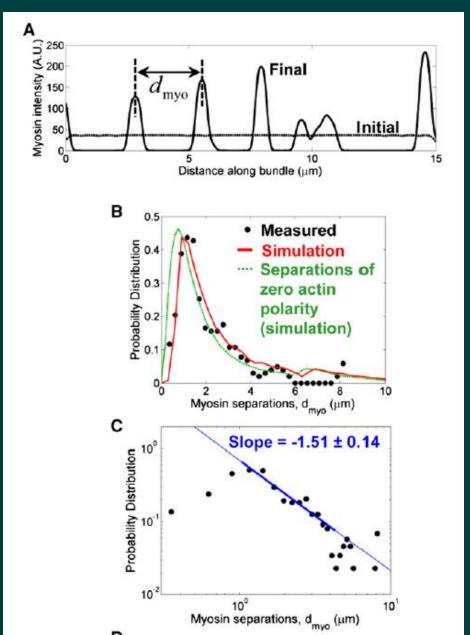
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### myosin concentrates at zero actin polarity





#### Contractile Units in Disordered Actomyosin Bundles Arise from F-Actin Buckling

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