Noncanonical roles of ATG5 and membrane atg8ylation in retromer assembly and function

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33   **ABSTRACT**

ATG5 is one of the core autophagy proteins with additional functions such as

noncanonical membrane atg8ylation, which among a growing number of biological

outputs includes control of tuberculosis in animal models. Here we show that ATG5

associates with retromer's core components VPS26, VPS29 and VPS35 and modulates

retromer function. Knockout of ATG5 blocked trafficking of a key glucose transporter

sorted by the retromer, GLUT1, to the plasma membrane. Knockouts of other genes

essential for membrane atg8ylation, of which ATG5 is a component, affected GLUT1

sorting, indicating that membrane atg8ylation as a process affects retromer function and

endosomal sorting. The contribution of membrane atg8ylation to retromer function in

GLUT1 sorting was independent of canonical autophagy. These findings expand the

scope of membrane atg8ylation to specific sorting processes in the cell dependent on

the retromer and its known interactors.

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INTRODUCTION

The canonical autophagy pathway, ubiquitous in eukaryotes, is manifested by the
emergence of intracellular membranous organelles termed autophagosomes that
capture cytoplasmic cargo destined for degradation in lysosomes [1]. Progress has been
made in understanding molecular mechanisms governing canonical autophagosome
biogenesis in mammalian cells [2] including ATG9A-vesicles [3-7] and membranous
prophagophores [8] as precursors to LC3-positive phagophores, their reshaping as cups [9]
and dynamic interactions with the omegasomes [10,11], phagophore expansion through
lipid transfer [12-14], cargo recognition and sequestration [15,16], closure of the phagophore
to form a double membrane phagosomes [17-20], and fusion of autophagosomes with
endosomal and lysosomal organelles leading to cargo degradation [21] or secretion [22].

However, and contemporaneously with these major advances in understanding
canonical autophagy, it has become evident that autophagy genes (ATGs) [23] have
additional functions in mammalian cells that do not fit the canonical model [24,25]. Among
such noncanonical manifestations are LAP (LC3-associated phagocytosis) [26], LANDO
(LC3-associated endocytosis) [27], LC3-associated micropinocytosis (LAM) [28],
conjugation of ATG8 to single membranes (CASM) [29,30], v-ATPase-ATG16L1-induced
LC3 lipidation (VAIL) [31-33], ER-phagy mediated by the V-ATPase-ATG16L1-LC3C axis
(EVAC) [34], LyHYP (lysosomal hypersensitivity phenotype) [35], membrane damage repair
[36-39], and two distinct forms of secretory autophagy [22], SALI (secretory autophagy during
lysosome inhibition) [40] and LDELS (LC3-dependent EV loading and secretion) [41]. These
processes depend on or are associated with the phospholipid conjugation cascade of
mammalian ATG8 proteins (mATG8s) [42] and collectively (including the canonical
autophagy) represent diverse manifestations of membrane atg8ylation as a broad
membrane stress, damage and remodeling response [25].

The factors governing membrane atg8ylation include two enzymatic cascades
with the ATG12-ATG5 and mATG8-phosphatidylethanolamine (PE) covalent conjugates
as their products. The ATG12-ATG5 conjugate [42] combines with ATG16L1 [43] or
TECPR1 to form E3 ligases [38,39,44] to direct mATG8-PE conjugation and atg8ylation of

target membranes. All known E3 enzymes contain the ATG12-ATG5 conjugate [38,39,42,44].

To form this conjugate, the ubiquitin like molecule ATG12 is activated by ATP, and

transferred via E1 (ATG7) and E2 (ATG10) to ATG5. In preparation for the next step, an

ATG12-ATG5 containing E3 ligase activates its substrate mATG8-ATG3 to transfer

ATG8 and form an amide bond with aminophospholipids [42]. However, there are

additional branches of these conjugation cascades, whereby ATG12 can make a

noncanonical sidestep conjugate with ATG3 (ATG12-ATG3) [41,45] which is enhanced in

the absence of ATG5 [35]. Apart from its role in atg8ylation, ATG5 [35,46] and potentially

other ATG genes [47-49] have autophagy-independent functions. Many of the indications

that such functions exist come from in vivo studies [50-52]. For example, in the case of

murine models of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* infection, atg8ylation machinery protects

against tuberculosis pathogenesis but Atg5 knockout has a particularly strong

phenotype exceeding other atg8ylation genes, indicating that ATG5 possesses

atg8ylation (mATG8s lipid conjugation) independent functions [35,46,53-56]. As recently

reported, one such function involves LyHYP contributing to enhanced exocytosis

specifically in cells devoid of ATG5 but not of other ATG genes [35]. These developments

indicate that ATG5 plays noncanonical roles in autophagy-independent vesicular

transport events and homeostasis of the endolysosomal system.

Within the endosomal network, the mammalian retromer complex [57] is one of the

several systems regulating vectoral transport of membranes and proteins. These

systems include, among others, HOPS, CORVET, retriever, CCC/commander, and

retromer [57-64] complexes that often contain and sometimes share VPS subunits.

Retromer is a heterotrimer of VPS26A/B, VPS29 and VPS35 subunits [65], first identified

in yeast [66]. Retromer sorts an array of endosomal cargo in cooperation with cognate

sorting nexins (SNX) [67]. Specifically, this includes SNX-BAR proteins SNX1/2-SNX5/6

[68,69], the mammalian paralogs of yeast Vps5p and Vps17p [66] which can function

autonomously as an ESCPE-I complex [70], SNX-PX protein SNX3 [71], and SNX-FERM

protein SNX27 containing PX, PDZ and FERM domains [72] and sorting various

transporter proteins and signaling receptors including the glucose transporter GLUT1

(SLC2A1) [73]. Retromer, together with adaptors, contributes to the complex protein

sorting within the endosomal system [74-76]. Here, using unbiased proteomic approaches

and follow-up mechanistic analyses, we report that retromer complex is among ATG5

interactors. We show that membrane atg8ylation, of which ATG5 is an essential

component, affects retromer-dependent cargo sorting. This function is independent of

the canonical autophagy pathway or a well-studied form of noncanonical membrane

atg8ylation, CASM. Our findings offer a paradigm shift connecting ATG5 and membrane

atg8ylation with the retromer system and its function in the endosomal cargo sorting,

expanding the scope of atg8ylation machinery and its special component ATG5 beyond

the current models.

                                    RESULTS

ATG5 associates with the retromer complex

The unique aspects of Atg5 (Fig. 1A), outside of its role in canonical autophagy, have

strong ex vivo and important in vivo phenotypes [52]. Inactivation of Atg5 in myeloid

lineage renders mice excessively susceptible to acute infection with *Mycobacterium*

tuberculosis attributed to excessive inflammation [35,46,53-56], which did not extend to other

phases of infection as tested here in a murine model of latent tuberculosis [77-79] (Fig.

S1A-D). In a previous study, we could only partially explain the cellular parameters

associated with acute infection, which included degranulation in neutrophils from Atg5$^{fl/fl}$

LysM-Cre^{+} mice [35]. Furthermore, markers of LyHYP (lysosome hypersensitivity

phenotype) [35] in ATG5 knockout (KO) cells, such as galectin 3 (Gal3) response, could

not be explained by the exocytic phenomena [35]. We thus sought to uncover additional

processes (Fig. 1A) affected by ATG5 at the intracellular level. To include factors

beyond the known processes, we analyzed proteomic data obtained with APEX2-ATG5

[35] and compared APEX2-ATG5^{WT} with APEX2-ATG5^{K130R} (an ATG5 mutant deficient in

conjugation to ATG12) in cells treated with LLOMe, an agent routinely used to cause

lysosomal damage [80-85] (Figs. 1B and S2A,B). The proximity biotinylation (APEX2)-

based proteomic data indicated the presence in the vicinity of APEX2-ATG5 of several

protein complexes that control important membrane trafficking pathways including

retromer (Fig. 1B). Beside the retromer VPS subunits, there were very few other VPS

proteins (Fig. S2C). VPS proteins were observed in ATG5 proteomic data by others [86]

(Fig. S2D). VPS26 and VPS29 showed statistically significant increase in proximity to

ATG5 in cells subjected to LLOMe treatment (Fig. S2A-C). Using APEX2-SGALS1

proximity biotinylation LC-MS/MS as a control, we did not observe enrichment of

retromer subunits in cells treated with LLOMe (Fig. S2E).

Association of endogenous ATG5 with endogenous retromer subunits (VPS26A,

VPS29 and VPS35) was tested in coimmunoprecipitation (co-IP) experiments (Fig. 1C-

E). The interaction between retromer and ATG5 was detected in these experiments and

showed increased association in cells subjected to lysosomal damage with LLOMe (Fig.

1C-E). Thus, ATG5, a key component of the known atg8ylation E3 ligases [42,87], is found

in protein complexes with the retromer and this association is enhanced upon lysosomal

damage.

Retromer affects a subset of responses to lysosomal damage

During lysosomal damage a number of processes are set in motion to repair, remove

and regenerate/replenish lysosomes [37,80,88-91] including membrane atg8ylation-

dependent processes of repair by ESCRT machinery [92] and by lipid transfer via ATG2

[85,93]. We have reported that ATG5 KO cells display elevated Gal3 response to

lysosomal damage agents including LLOMe [35]. Gal3 is one of the well-characterized

sentinel galectins alerting cellular homeostatic systems to lysosomal damage

[37,80,81,88,94]. Based on the observed interactions between ATG5 and retromer, we tested

whether retromer, like ATG5 [35], affected Gal3 response to lysosomal damage. We used

the previously established quantitative high content microscopy (HCM) approach, which

provides unbiased machine-driven image acquisition and data analysis [8,36,80,88,94]. In the

experiments herein HCM was based on >500 valid primary objects/cells per well, with a

minimum of 5 wells per sample (the independent biological replicates being n≥3) as

described [35]. Upon treatment with LLOMe, HeLa$^{VPS35-KO}$ cells had increased Gal3

puncta relative to HeLa^{WT} cells, comparable to HeLa$^{ATG5-KO}$ (Fig. 2A,B) [35]. The Gal3

phenotype in VPS35 knockout cells was complemented by expression of GFP-VPS35

(Fig. 2C,D). The observed elevated Gal3 recruitment to damaged lysosomes in the

absence of VPS35 cannot be explained by increased pools of LAMP2 organelles in the

cells, since the overall complement of lysosomes (quantified by LAMP2 puncta/cell) did

not increase in LLOMe treated HeLa cells (Fig. S3A,B). Another marker of lysosomal

damage, ubiquitination response [95], was elevated in both VPS35 and ATG5 deficient

cells (Figs. 2E,F). This phenotype was confirmed in another cell line, Huh7 (Fig.

S3C,D). Thus, VPS35 and ATG5 defects have a similar effect on lysosomes, previously

characterized and termed lysosomal hypersensitivity phenotype/LyHYP [35].

Not all aspects of LyHYP, previously observed in ATG5 knockouts [35], were seen

in VPS35 KO cells. In the case of ATG5 inactivation, the recruitment of ALIX, an

ESCRT component involved in early stages of lysosomal repair [80,96,97] is abrogated [35].

In ATG5 KO cells (Huh7[ATG5-KO]), recruitment of ALIX to lysosomes was prevented,

whereas in VPS35 KO cells (Huh7[VPS35-KO] and HeLa[VPS35-KO]) ALIX was efficiently

recruited to lysosomes upon LLOMe treatment (Figs. 2G,H and S3C,D).

The elevated Gal3 and ubiquitin markers of increased lysosomal damage in cells

with inactivated VPS35 or ATG5 suggest that both may play a related role in lysosomal

resilience to membrane damage, which complements the previously observed effects of

aberrant VPS35/retromer on lysosomal morphology and proteolytic capacity [98,99]. The

dissimilarities between ATG5 and retromer effects on the ALIX recruitment component

can be explained by the previously described perturbed function of the ATG conjugation

machinery specifically in ATG5 KO cells affirming the unique additional roles of ATG5

[35]. Nevertheless, the striking similarities between ATG5 KO and VPS35 KO effects on

heightened Gal3 and ubiquitin responses to lysosomal membrane damage suggest that

the two systems (membrane atg8ylation and retromer) closely intersect.

ATG5 affects retromer function

To avoid the confounding, and possibly indirect, effects of lysosomal damage on

endolysosomal sorting and trafficking in cells treated with LLOMe, it was necessary to

test the effects of ATG5 KO on retromer function under basal conditions with

unperturbed lysosomes. Our co-IP analyses (Fig. 1C-E) indicated that ATG5 can be

found in protein complexes with retromer subunits even without the lysosomal damage.

We further confirmed this in co-IPs showing that GFP-VPS35 and YFP-VPS29 were

found in complexes with endogenous ATG5 in resting cells, whereas an isotype IgG

control did not pulldown retromer components (Fig. 3A). Reverse co-IPs with GFP-

VPS35 and YFP-VPS29 detected endogenous ATG5 and ATG12-ATG5 complexes in

GFP/YFP immunoprecipitates (Fig. 3B).

Having established that ATG5 and retromer interact under basal conditions, we

tested the effects of ATG5 KO on localization of a well-established cargo for retromer-

dependent sorting, GLUT1 [73,100]. We used Huh7 cells, where we generated a panel of

membrane atg8ylation and VPS35 CRISPR knockouts (Fig. S4A), because they have a

well-defined localization of GLUT1 at the plasma membrane or as intracellular profiles

(Fig. 3C), fully amenable (and comparatively more reliable than in HeLa cells) to

unbiased quantification by HCM. ATG5 KO in Huh7 cells resulted in redistribution of

GLUT1 from the plasma membrane to intracellular punctate profiles (Figs. 3D and S4B).

This phenotype was identical to the one observed in VPS35 KO (Fig. 3D and S4B). The

increased intracellular GLUT1 puncta overlapped with the lysosomal marker LAMP2 in

both ATG5 KO and VPS35 KO cells (Figs. 3C,E and S4C).   A similar albeit

morphologically less distinct phenotype was observed in HeLa cells (Figs. S4D-H).

GLUT1 is sorted by retromer via VPS26's interactor SNX27, with GLUT1 (and similar

cargo) being captured by the PDZ domain of SNX27 [72,73].   In WT cells, SNX27 was

found in abundant intracellular profiles (Fig. 3F). In both ATG5 KO and VPS35 KO cells,

GLUT1 and SNX27 relocalized to the same intracellular compartment (Fig. 3F,G). We

carried out lysosomal purification using the well-established LysoIP method [80,91,94,101],

and quantified levels of GLUT1 and SNX27 in lysosomal preparations that were positive

for LAMP2 and devoid of GM130 (Golgi) and PDI (ER) (Fig. 3H). Both GLUT1 and

SNX27 were enriched in lysosomal preparations from ATG5 KO and VPS35 KO cells

relative to the WT cells (Fig. 3H). These experiments biochemically identify the

lysosomes as a compartment to which GLUT1 and SNX27 relocalize in ATG5 KO and

VSP35 KO cells.   The above findings show that a loss of ATG5 affects retromer-

controlled trafficking events.

Membrane atg8ylation apparatus contributes to retromer function in GLUT1

sorting

ATG5 is a part of the membrane atg8ylation machinery [25,42,87], also known under the

term 'LC3 lipidation' [102], which functions within the canonical autophagy pathway but is

also engaged in a wide array of noncanonical processes [25,38,39,44,103,104]. We tested

whether other known components of the atg8ylation apparatus affect retromer. The KOs

in Huh7 cells of the components of the prototypical atg8ylation E3 ligase [25,42] included:

ATG5 and ATG16L1, as well as the previously characterized Huh7 lines knocked out

for E1 and E2 enzymes, ATG7 [35] and ATG3 [37]. These KOs all caused entrapment of

GLUT1 in intracellular punctate profiles (Figs. 4A, B) as well as an increase in GLUT1

colocalization with lysosomes (GLUT1$^+$ LAMP2$^+$ profiles; Fig. 4C,D). We tested whether

retromer component levels were altered in atg8ylation mutants and found no change in

total cellular levels of VPS26, VPS29 and VPS35, tested in ATG3, ATG5 and ATG7 KO

Huh7 cells (Fig. S5A,B) as well as in ATG5 KO HeLa cells (Fig. S5C,D).

Furthermore, comparison of the previously characterized HeLa$^{Hexa-KO}$ cells [105],

with all principal mATG8s inactivated, with their isogenic parental HeLa^{WT} cells, showed

increased GLUT1 on lysosomes in HeLa$^{Hexa-KO}$ (GLUT1$^+$ LAMP2$^+$ profiles; Fig. 4E,F).

We observed a similar phenotype in separate triple knockouts (TKOs) of LC3 subfamily

and GABARAP subfamily of mATG8s [105] compared to HeLa$^{Hexa-KO}$ (Fig. S5B). Thus, the

entire membrane atg8ylation machinery was engaged in and required for proper GLUT-

1 sorting.

Canonical autophagy cannot explain effects of membrane atg8ylation on GLUT1
sorting

Membrane atg8ylation and mATGs play roles in diverse processes [25] including

canonical autophagy [1]. We tested whether the participation of atg8ylation in canonical

autophagy, previously reported to affect retromer-dependent cargo sorting under

nutrient-limiting conditions [106,107], is the reason for reduced trafficking of GLUT1 in our

experiments. We used KOs in Huh7 cells of ATG13 and FIP200/RB1CC1, two

obligatory components of the canonical autophagy initiation machinery [1], to test whether

canonical autophagy under the basal conditions used in our study was responsible for

the effects on GLUT1 sorting. We found that in the Huh7 cells knocked out for ATG13 [35]

or FIP200 [37] there was no increase in intracellular GLUT1 puncta in contrast to the

increase observed with the isogenic ATG5 and VPS35 mutants (Figs. 5A,B). This was

mirrored by no increase of GLUT1$^+$LAMP2$^+$ profiles in ATG13 and FIP200 KO cells

whereas colocalization between GLUT1 and LAMP2A increased in ATG5 and VPS35

mutants (Fig. 5BC). To further confirm that autophagy initiation mutant cells retained the

ability to perturb GLUT1 trafficking due to defective atg8ylation, we knocked down

ATG5 in FIP200 KO cells (Fig. S5D) and found that GLUT1 puncta and GLUT1$^+$LAMP2$^+$

profiles increased even in the FIP200 KO background to an extend nearing in strength

the effects of VPS35 knockout (Figs. 5D-F and S5C). Thus, we conclude that

atg8ylation but not canonical autophagy affects retromer function under basal conditions

and that a functional atg8ylation apparatus is required for proper sorting of the retromer

cargo GLUT1.

ATG5 and membrane atg8ylation machinery affect Rab7 localization

Rab7 is considered to be an interactor of the retromer [108]. Rab7 translocates in cells

lacking the retromer component VPS35 to lysosomes [109] including endolysosomal

domains with lysosomaly positioned mTORC1 regulatory machinery [110]. We thus tested

whether absence of ATG5 and components of the atg8ylation apparatus affected Rab7

localization. ATG5, VPS35 as well as knockouts of all major components of the

atg8ylation in Huh7 cells, displayed increased Rab7$^+$ cytoplasmic profiles (Fig. 6A,B)

and overlap between Rab7 and lysosomes (LAMP2) (Figs. 6C and S6A). This was

confirmed biochemically using lysosomal purification by LysoIP and immunoblotting for

Rab7: there was an increase of Rab7 in lysosomal preparations from ATG5 and VPS35

KO cells (Fig. 6D,E).

This effect extended to other components of the atg8ylation machinery, as KOs

in ATG3, ATG7 and ATG16L1 caused a similar effect (Figs. 6A-C and S6A). In contrast,

KOs in genes specific for canonical autophagy (ATG13 and FIP200) did not alter

intracellular distribution of Rab7 (Figs. 6F-H and S6B). Rab7 distribution was affected

by ATG5 knockdown (Fig. S5D) in FIP200 KO cells (Figs. S6B-E). These experiments

mirror the effects of ATG5 and atg8ylation on GLUT1 trafficking, showing that ATG5

and atg8ylation machinery but not canonical autophagy is required for proper
localization of Rab7.

Agonists of endolysosomal atg8ylation process CASM affect GLUT1 sorting

Membrane atg8ylation has multiple presentations that include not only canonical
autophagy but also encompass processes such as CASM [103]. We thus asked whether
induction of CASM [93] could affect GLUT1 trafficking. Using LLOMe as one of the
inducers of CASM [93], we detect increased membrane atg8ylation (LC3 puncta
formation) in response to lysosomal damage (Fig. 7A,B). When cells were treated with
LLOMe [93] and another CASM inducer, monensin [29,111,112], GLUT1 trafficking to the
plasma membrane was negatively affected and instead GLUT1 accumulated
intracellularly and trafficked to lysosomes (Figs. 7C-E and S7A). Thus, lysosomal
perturbation and induction of CASM may affect retromer-dependent sorting of GLUT1.

It was previously reported that under glucose starvation conditions, LC3A recruits
TBC1D5, a GAP for Rab7 [113-115], away from this small GTPase [106] and a similar
phenomenon could be occurring during CASM. However, under CASM-inducing
conditions, no change in interactions between TBC1D5 and LC3A were detected (Fig.
S7B,C) suggesting that CASM does not affect the status of the TBC1D5-Rab7 system.
Moreover, expression of constitutively active Rab7^{Q67L} did not promote trafficking of
GLUT1 to plasma membrane but rather caused accumulation of intracellular GLUT1
puncta (Fig. 7F-H).

Membrane atg8ylation and endolysosomal homeostasis affect GLUT1 sorting

A complication of interpreting CASM as a membrane atg8ylation process responsible
for effects on retromer-dependent sorting is that CASM is elicited by lysosomal
perturbations using lysosomal pH modifying agents [29,103,111,112], and lysosomal stress
could be an independent factor preventing proper sorting of GLUT1. Endolysosomal

membrane damage (LLOMe) or perturbations of luminal pH (monensin, bafilomycin A1)
negatively affected GLUT1 sorting and caused it to accumulate in lysosomes (Fig. 7C-
E). Since bafilomycin A1 does not induce CASM [93] but disturbs luminal pH, we conclude
that it is the less acidic luminal pH of the endolysosmal organelles that is sufficient to
interfere with the proper sorting of GLUT1.

The above experiments indicate the role of acidification and integrity of
endolysosomal compartments in GLUT1 sorting. Membrane atg8ylation is important for
lysosomal repair and homeostasis with specific downstream mechanisms. These
processes include: (i) ATG2A, which transfers lipids during lysosomal repair [85] and is
engaged on damaged lysosomes upon membrane atg8ylation by LC3A [93], and (ii)
ESCRT-based lysosomal membrane repair [80,96,97,116], with membrane atg8ylation
specifically recruiting an ESCRT regulator ALG2 [92] and ESCRT-I component VPS37A
[20]. Hence, we tested whether these established systems, involved in maintenance of
lysosomal membrane integrity, represented by ATG2 and VPS37, can explain the
mechanism underlying the observed effects of membrane atg8ylation on retromer-
dependent trafficking. When U2OS ATG2A/ATG2B double KO cells were compared to
parental U2OS WT cells, we observed aberrant GLUT1 trafficking, presented as
accumulation of cytoplasmic GLUT1 puncta and increased colocalization of GLUT1 with
lysosomes (LAMP2A) (Figs. 8A-C and S8A). A similar effect was observed when the
previously characterized VPS37A knockout cells [20] were tested (Figs. 8D-F and S8B).
These effects were detected with or without induced lysosomal damage (Fig. 8A-F). We
interpret these data as evidence that endolysosomal homeostasis and functionality,
which is maintained by membrane atg8ylation at all times even under basal conditions,
contributes to proper function of retromer-dependent sorting of its cognate cargo such
as GLUT1 (Fig. 8E).

ATG5 effects on retromer function exceed those of membrane atg8ylation

Finally, we addressed the strength of effects on GLUT1 trafficking observed with ATG5
KO vs. KOs in other membrane atg8ylation genes, which were significant in all

experiments but presented effects lower in magnitude than ATG5 KO (Figs. 4 and 6).
One possibility was that since ATG3, ATG5, and ATG7 all participate in the same
process of membrane atg8ylation, that our KO mutants had unequal gene inactivation
levels. This was ruled out by comparing effects of ATG3 KO, ATG5 KO and ATG7 KO
cells for their effects on LC3 puncta formation in a well-defined system of starvation-
induced autophagy. The results of these analyses indicated that all three KOs had
indistinguishable effects on LC3 puncta formation during canonical autophagy induction
by starvation (Fig. S8C,D). Thus, the stronger effects of ATG5 KO on retromer vis-à-vis
KOs in other atg8ylation genes reflected additional action of ATG5. In the absence of
ATG5, less VPS26 and VPS35 could be pulled down in co-IPs with YFP-VPS29 (Fig.
S8E-H). We conclude that ATG5, in addition to contributing to the retromer-dependent
sorting via membrane atg8ylation and its downstream effector mechanisms which
maintain healthy endolysosomal organelles, has additional effects on the retromer.

DISCUSSION

In this study, we have uncovered a new role of ATG5 and membrane atg8ylation
machinery beyond the conventional function in canonical autophagy and the hitherto
recognized noncanonical processes. ATG5 interacts with the retromer complex,
whereas ATG5 and membrane atg8ylation affect retromer function in sorting of its
cognate cargo GLUT1. Inactivation of ATG5 and of other membrane atg8ylation genes
but not of the genes involved in canonical autophagy perturbs retromer-dependent
trafficking. ATG5 and membrane atg8ylation display dual and combined effects on
retromer function. The first one is through endolysosomal membrane maintenance
ensuring proper cargo sorting by the retromer complex and its adaptor SNX27. The
second one is via an association of ATG5 with the retromer complex. These and other
activities of ATG5 underly the unique and often perplexing phenotypic manifestations of
ATG5 observed in cells and in murine infection models [35,46,51,53-56], which served as the
initial impetus for the present study. More generally, the finding that membrane

atg8ylation influences retromer function further expands the range of this process
specializing in homeostatic responses to membrane stress, damage and remodeling
signals [25,104,117].

Mirroring the role of membrane atg8ylation on retromer function, a loss of VPS35
brings about LyHYP and influences cellular responses to lysosomal damage similarly to
the inactivation of ATG5. The parallel between retromer and ATG5 is not perfect, as
VPS35 knockout does not divert membrane repair protein ALIX from damaged
lysosomes. This can be explained by sequestration of ALIX by the alternative
conjugation complex ATG12-ATG3 formed in the absence of ATG5 [35]. The latter
phenomenon renders ALIX unavailable for lysosomal repair [35]. VPS35 knockout has no
effects on ALIX, and hence the differences between ATG5 and VPS35 in the ALIX
component of LyHYP. Nevertheless, inactivation of either ATG5 or VPS35 confers
similarly heightened Gal3 [80,81] and ubiquitin [95] responses as hallmarks of elevated
lysosomal damage.

A further connectivity between the retromer system and membrane atg8ylation
was observed at the level of LC3 puncta formation elicited by noncanonical triggers
such as LLOMe treatment, which induces CASM and lysosomal repair. The effects of
VPS35 on lysosomal functionality and morphology have been previously noted [98,99], and
have been ascribed to the effects of the retromer complex on the recycling of the sorting
receptors for lysosomal hydrolases, such as cation-independent mannose 6-phosphate
receptor (CI-MPR) [98]. We have detected significant increase in LC3 puncta in VPS35
KO cells stimulated for autophagy by starvation, consistent with the reported diminished
lysosomal degradative capacity when VPS35 is absent, an effect ascribed to aberrant
CI-MPR sorting [98,99]. Whether CI-MPR is sorted by retromer or independently by the
ESCPE-I complex [70] remains controversial [57,70,75,98,110,118-120]. This controversy has been
extended to the sorting of cation-dependent mannose 6-phosphate receptor (CD-MPR)
[98,121], further confounded by the fact that retriever, which participates in receptor
recycling, shares VPS29 subunit with the retromer [61].

In this study, we observed a miss-localization of the small GTPase Rab7 to
lysosomes in ATG5 KO cells, paralleling the effects on GLUT1. Retromer and SNX
adaptors (SNX3) interact with Rab7 [108]. Rab7 affects retromer-dependent sorting
[106,108,109,122]. Depletion of Rab7 reduces endosomal association of retromer [108] whereas
retromer status affects Rab7, i.e., in cells with retromer subunits knocked out, Rab7
anomalously accumulates on lysosomes [109]. Consistent with this, we observed that
ATG5 KO phenocopied effects of VPS35 KO and caused Rab7 re-localization to
lysosomal membranes. Rab7, like other Rabs [114], is controlled by GEFs (Mon1-Cz1),
GAPs (ArmusTBC1D2A, TBC1D2B, TBC1D15), and GDI [115]. It is curious that all Rab7
GAPs have LC3 interaction region (LIR) motifs and bind mATG8s: Armus/TBC12DA
and TBC1D5 bind LC3A [106,113], GABARAPL1 [113], and LC3C [106]; TBCD12B binds all
mATG8s [113,123]; and TBC1D15 binds LC3A [124], LC3B, LC3C, GABARAP, GABARAP L1
and GABARAPL2 [123,124]. Prior elegant studies have shown that genetic ablation of the
Rab7 GAP TBC1D5 results in hyperactivation of Rab7 in a wrong intracellular locale
(lysosome) [109]. In our work, carried out under basal conditions or in cells subjected to
lysosomal damage, we observed both translocation of Rab7 to and entrapment of
GLUT1 on lysosomes. However, we did not detect any changes in TBC1D5-mATG8s
interactions, suggesting that sequestration of this Rab7 GAP by mATG8s, leading to
increased plasma membrane localization of GLUT1 under glucose starvation conditions
[106], is not at play here. Furthermore, we found that overexpression of constitutively
active Rab7 in cells grown in glucose/nutrient-rich media causes lysosomal retention of
GLUT1. This is consistent with the reports by others that perturbances in the retromer-
TBC1D5 complex lead to miss-localization of Rab7 to more lysosomal-like subdomains
within the endosomal system [110] and that inactivation of Rab7's GAP TBC1D5 leads to
entrapment within the endosomal system of the plasma membrane receptors as well as
receptors that normally cycle back to the trans-Golgi network [125].

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The role of ATG5 in retromer-dependent sorting of GLUT1 appears to have two
components, the first one reflects ATG5 being a part of the E3 ligases for membrane
atg8ylation and the second one reflects ATG5's being in protein complexes with the
core retromer subunits VPS26, VPS29 and VPS35. The latter association potentially

explains the stronger effects of ATG5's absence on GLUT1 sorting relative to the
inactivation of other membrane atg8ylation genes. Of note, interactions between ATG5
and retromer are independent of the conjugation status of ATG5, as both ATG12—
ATG5 conjugates and unconjugated ATG5 were found in protein immunoprecipitates of
retromer components. This is consistent with our LC-MS/MS proteomic data indicating a
conjugation status-independent increase in the proximity of ATG5 and retromer subunits
during lysosomal damage. One consequence of the association between retromer and
ATG5, a key component of the membrane atg8ylation apparatus, is that this could
spatially direct proper membrane atg8ylation and be in part responsible for the effects of
VPS35 KO on lysosomal quality and sensitivity to membrane stress or injury.   In our
hands, AlphaFold modeling of ATG5 with retromer components did not yield any high-
confidence structures, and the best of the low-to-moderate probability structures when
subjected to mutational analysis did not result in disruption of ATG5-retromer
association observed by co-IPs (data not shown). Identification of the ATG5 partners
that bring it to the vicinity of the retromer is yet to be accomplished and remains one of
the limitations of the present study.

We used GLUT1 as a well-defined cargo sorted by the retromer in conjunction
with SNX27 [72,73]. SNX27 is a versatile adapter, linking retromer to and controlling
endosome-to-plasma membrane recycling of nearly 80 proteins such as signaling
receptors, ion channels, amino acid and other nutrient transporters [73]. SNX27 was also
missorted in ATG5 deficient cells. This suggests that knockouts in ATG5 and in other
membrane atg8ylation genes could have complex pleiotropic effects on cellular
functions. Given that ATG5 has a particularly strong impact on retromer-dependent
sorting, this could in part explain its unique role in the exquisite susceptibility of Atg5
mutant mice to experimental *M. tuberculosis* infections. Such effects likely contribute to
the specific inflammatory action of neutrophils observed in Atg5[fl/fl] LysM-Cre mice [35,46,53-
56]. More narrowly, ATG5 KO-dependent GLUT1 miss-sorting may be one of the
contributors to increased *M. tuberculosis* pathogenesis in infection sites.   More
generally, glucose uptake and metabolism are highly important for normal physiology
and in various disease states including immune responses to infection, cancer,
neurodegeneration, cardiovascular health, and metabolic disorders. We postulate that

deficiencies or polymorphisms in membrane atg8ylation genes could have contributory
roles in health and disease via GLUT1 and additional transporter proteins and signaling
receptors that are dependent on retromer for their proper positioning and function in the
cell.

In conclusion, we find that the membrane atg8ylation and retromer systems are
intertwined, and that they affect each other's biological outputs, one being resilience of
lysosomes to basal stress or induced damage and the other being endosomal-plasma
membrane protein sorting, both being of fundamental interest and potential therapeutic
value.

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Figure 1: ATG5 interacts with retromer. A. ATG5 functions. X, a postulated additional
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function. **B.** 2D scatter plot (log2 fold changes; color coded p value cutoff matrix for
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comparisons between samples as per the lookup table) of proximity biotinylation
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LC/MS/MS datasets: FlpIn-HeLa[APEX2-ATG5-WT] cells (X-axis) and FlpIn-HeLa[APEX2-ATG5-]
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[K130R] (Y-axis) treated with 2 mM LLOMe for 30 min ratioed vs. HeLa[APEX2-ATG5-WT] without
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LLOMe treatment (Ctrl). **C-E.** Co-IP analyses and quantification of VPS26A (C), VPS29
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(D) VPS35, (E), interaction with ATG5 in HeLa cells treated with or without 2 mM
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LLOMe for 30 min. Data, means ± SE (n=3); unpaired t-test; p values indicated above

the bars.

Figure 2: Retromer affects lysosomal sensitivity to damage. A,B. High content

microscopy (HCM) imaging and quantification of Gal3 response (puncta/cell of

endogenous Gal3 profiles stained for immunofluorescence) in HeLa^{WT}, HeLa$^{ATG5-KO}$,

and HeLa$^{VPS35-KO}$ cells subjected to lysosomal damage by Leu-Leu-O-Me ester

hydrobromide (LLOMe; 2mM, 30 min). HCM, an unbiased machine-driven image

acquisition and data analysis based on presets of >500 valid primary objects/cells per

well (representative images shown; white mask, cell; red masks, Gal3 puncta), with a

minimum of 5 wells per sample (sampling error), and n≥3, independent biological

replicates (experimental error) in separate 96-well plates. Data, means ± SE (n=3), two-

way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons. **C,D**. Complementation analysis of

VPS35^{KO} LyHYP (lysosome hypersensitivity) phenotype monitored by HCM

quantification of Gal3 puncta in HeLa$^{VPS35-KO}$ cells transfected with GFP (control) or

GFP-VPS35 expressing plasmids. Data, means ± SE (n=3); one-way ANOVA with

Tukey's multiple comparisons. **E,F.** Comparative HCM analysis of ubiquitin

(immunofluorescence; FK2 antibody) response to lysosomal damage (LLOMe; 2mM, 30

min) in HeLa$^{ATG5-KO}$ and HeLa$^{VPS35-KO}$ cells. Yellow profiles, colocalization of ubiquitin

and LAMP1. Top panels, ubiquitin immunostaining alone. Data, means ± SE (n=4), two-

way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons. **G,H.** HCM quantification of ALIX

localization to endolysosomal compartments (% of LAMP1 profiles positive for ALIX

immunostaining) in Huh7^{WT}, Huh7$^{ATG5-KO}$, and Huh7$^{VPS35-KO}$ cells following lysosomal

damage. Yellow profiles, colocalization of ALIX and LAMP1. Data, means ± SE (n=3);

two-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons. HCM images in all relevant panels,

examples from a bank of unbiased operator-independent machine-collected and

algorithm-processed fields containing a minimum of 500 primary objects/cells per well (5

wells minimum per 96-well plate; 3 plates minimum), per cell line/condition.

Figure 3: ATG5 affects sorting of the retromer cargo GLUT1. A. Co-IP analysis of

endogenous ATG5 with GFP-VPS35 or YFP-VPS29 (transient transfection). **B.** Reverse

Co-IP analysis GFP-VPS35 or YFP-VPS29 (transient transfection) and endogenous

ATG5. **C.** Confocal images illustrating localization of GLUT1 and LAMP2 in Huh7^{WT},

Huh7$^{VPS35-KO}$, and Huh7$^{ATG5-KO}$ cells. Scale bar, 10 µm. **D,E.** HCM quantification of

GLUT1 (endogenous protein immunostaining) puncta/cell (D) and GLUT1 colocalization

with LAMP2 (% of LAMP2 profiles positive for GLUT1; overlap area) (E) in Huh7^{WT},

Huh7$^{ATG5-KO}$, and Huh7$^{VPS35-KO}$ cells. Scale bar, 20 µm. Data, means ± SE (n =6); one-

way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons. **F,G.** HCM quantification of GLUT1-

SNX27 overlap (% of SNX7 area positive for GLUT1) in Huh7^{WT}, Huh7$^{ATG5-KO}$, and

Huh7$^{VPS35-KO}$ cells. Scale bar, 20 µm. Data, means ± SE (n=5); one-way ANOVA with

Tukey's multiple comparisons. **H,I.** Immunoblot analysis and quantification of proteins in

lysosomes purified/enriched by LysoIP (immunoisolation with TMEM192-3xHA) from

Huh7^{WT}, Huh7$^{ATG5-KO}$, and Huh7$^{VPS35-KO}$ cells. TMEM192-2xFLAG, negative control.

Data, means ± SE (n=3), one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons. HCM

images in panel F, examples from a bank of unbiased operator-independent machine-

collected and algorithm-processed fields containing a minimum of 500 primary

objects/cells per well (5 wells minimum per 96-well plate; 3 plates minimum), per cell

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Figure 4: Membrane atg8ylation apparatus affects sorting of the retromer cargo
GLUT1. A,B. HCM quantification of GLUT1 (endogenous protein immunostaining)
puncta/cell in Huh7^WT, Huh7^ATG3-KO, Huh7^ATG5-KO, Huh7^ATG7-KO, Huh7^ATG16-KO, and

Huh7$^{VPS35\text{-}KO}$ cells. Scale bar, 20 µm. Data, means ± SE (n=5); one-way ANOVA with

Tukey's multiple comparisons. **C,D.** HCM quantification of GLUT1 (endogenous protein

immunostaining) colocalization with LAMP2 (% of LAMP2 profiles positive for GLUT1;

overlap area) in Huh7^{WT}, Huh7$^{ATG3\text{-}KO}$, Huh7$^{ATG5\text{-}KO}$, Huh7$^{ATG7\text{-}KO}$, Huh7$^{ATG16\text{-}KO}$, and

Huh7$^{VPS35\text{-}KO}$ cells. Scale bar, 20 µm. Data, means ± SE (n=5); one-way ANOVA with

Tukey's multiple comparisons. **E,F.** HCM quantification of GLUT1 (endogenous protein

immunostaining) colocalization with LAMP2 (% of LAMP2 profiles positive for GLUT1;

overlap area) in HeLa^{WT}, and HeLa$^{Hexa\text{-}KO}$ cells. Scale bar, 20 µm. Data, means ± SE

(n=5); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons. HCM images in all relevant

panels, examples from a bank of unbiased operator-independent machine-collected and

algorithm-processed fields containing a minimum of 500 primary objects/cells per well (5

wells minimum per 96-well plate; 3 plates minimum), per cell line.

Figure 5: Canonical autophagy does not affect sorting of the retromer cargo GLUT1. A,B. HCM quantification of GLUT1 (immunostaining of endogenous protein) puncta/cell in in Huh7^WT, Huh7^ATG13-KO, Huh7^FIP200-KO, Huh7^ATG5-KO, and Huh7^VPS35-KO

cells. Scale bar, 20 μm. Data, means ± SE (n=5); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's

multiple comparisons. **C,D.** HCM quantification of GLUT1 (immunostaining of

endogenous protein) colocalization with LAMP2 (% of LAMP2 profiles positive for

GLUT1; overlap area) in in Huh7^{WT}, Huh7$^{ATG13-KO}$, Huh7$^{FIP200-KO}$, Huh7$^{ATG5-KO}$, and

Huh7$^{VPS35-KO}$ cells. Scale bar, 20 μm. Data, means ± SE (n=5); one-way ANOVA with

Tukey's multiple comparisons. **E-G.** HCM quantification of GLUT1 (immunostaining of

endogenous protein) puncta/cell (E) and GLUT1 colocalization with LAMP2 (% of

LAMP2 profiles positive for GLUT1; overlap area) (F) in Huh7^{WT}, Huh7$^{FIP200-KO}$,

Huh7$^{FIP200-KO + siATG5}$, and Huh7$^{VPS35-KO}$ cells. Scale bar, 20 μm. Data, means ± SE (n =6);

one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons. HCM images in all relevant

panels, examples from a bank of unbiased operator-independent machine-collected and

algorithm-processed fields containing a minimum of 500 primary objects/cells per well (5

wells minimum per 96-well plate; 3 plates minimum), per cell line.

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Figure 6: Membrane atg8ylation machinery is required for proper RAB7
localization.

A-C HCM quantification of Rab7 (endogenous protein immunostaining) puncta/cell (B)
and Rab7 colocalization with LAMP2 (% of LAMP2 profiles positive for GLUT1; overlap
area) (C) in Huh7^{WT}, Huh7$^{ATG3-KO}$, Huh7$^{ATG5-KO}$, Huh7$^{ATG7-KO}$, Huh7$^{ATG16-KO}$, and

Huh7$^{VPS35-KO}$ cells. Scale bar, 20 μm. Data, means ± SE (n =6); one-way ANOVA with

Tukey's multiple comparisons. **D-F.** HCM quantification of Rab7 (endogenous protein

immunostaining) puncta/cell (E) and Rab7 colocalization with LAMP2 (% of LAMP2

profiles positive for GLUT1; overlap area) (F) in Huh7^{WT}, Huh7$^{ATG13-KO}$, Huh7$^{FIP200-KO}$,

Huh7$^{ATG5-KO}$, and Huh7$^{VPS35-KO}$ cells. Scale bar, 20 μm. Data, means ± SE (n =6); one-

way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons. **G,H.** Immunoblot analysis and

quantification of proteins in lysosomes purified/enriched by LysoIP (immunoisolation

with TMEM192-3xHA) from Huh7^{WT}, Huh7$^{ATG5-KO}$, and Huh7$^{VPS35-KO}$ cells. TMEM192-

2xFLAG, negative control. Data, means ± SE (n=3), one-way ANOVA with Tukey's

multiple comparisons. HCM images in all relevant panels, examples from a bank of

unbiased operator-independent machine-collected and algorithm-processed fields

containing a minimum of 500 primary objects/cells per well (5 wells minimum per 96-

well plate; 3 plates minimum), per cell line.

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Figure 7: CASM induction affects sorting of the retromer cargo GLUT1. A,B. HCM imaging and quantification of LC3 response (puncta/cell of endogenous LC3 immunofluorescent profiles) in HeLa[WT], and HeLa[VPS35-KO] cells in response to lysosomal damage by LLOMe (1mM, 30 and 60 min). Scale bar, 20 µm. Data, means ± SE (n=5),

one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons. **C-E.** HCM quantification of GLUT1 response (puncta/cell of endogenous GLUT1, D) and its localization to endolysosomal compartments (% of LAMP1 profiles positive for GLUT1 immunostaining, E) in Huh7^{WT} treated with or without Monensin (100µM), LLOMe (100µM), and Bafilomycin A1 (100nM) for 45 minutes. Scale bar, 20 µm. Data, means ± SE (n=5), one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons. F-H. Analysis of GLUT1 puncta/cell (F) and its localization to endolysosomal compartments (% of LAMP1 profiles positive for GLUT1 immunostaining, G) phenotype monitored by HCM quantification in Huh7^{WT} cells transfected with GFP (control) or GFP-Rab7^{WT}, GFP-Rab7^{Q67L}, and GFP-Rab7^{T22N}, expressing plasmids. Scale bar, 20 µm. Data, means ± SE (n=3); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons. HCM images in all relevant panels, examples from a bank of unbiased operator-independent machine-collected and algorithm-processed fields containing a minimum of 500 primary objects/cells per well (5 wells minimum per 96-well plate; 3 plates minimum), per cell line/condition.

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Figure 8: Membrane atg8ylation and endolysosomal homeostasis affect retromer-
dependent sorting. A-C. HCM quantification of GLUT1 (immunostaining of
endogenous protein) puncta/cell (B) and GLUT1 colocalization with LAMP2 (% of

LAMP2 profiles positive for GLUT1; overlap area, C) in U2OS^{WT} and U2OS$^{ATG2A/B-DKO}$

cells treated with or without LLOMe (100µM) for 45 minutes. Scale bar, 20 µm. Data,

means ± SE (n =6); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons. **D-F.** HCM

quantification of GLUT1 (immunostaining of endogenous protein) puncta/cell (E) and

GLUT1 colocalization with LAMP2 (% of LAMP2 profiles positive for GLUT1; overlap

area, F) in Huh7^{WT} cand Huh7$^{VPS37A-KO}$ cells treated with or without LLOMe (100µM) for

45 minutes. Scale bar, 20 µm. Data, means ± SE (n =6); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's

multiple comparisons. HCM images in all relevant panels, examples from a bank of

unbiased operator-independent machine-collected and algorithm-processed fields

containing a minimum of 500 primary objects/cells per well (5 wells minimum per 96-

well plate; 3 plates minimum), per cell line/condition. **G.** Schematic: Membrane

atg8ylation maintains membrane homeostasis under basal or stress conditions and,

independently of canonical autophagy, affects retromer function under. A functional

atg8ylation apparatus is required for proper sorting of the retromer cargo GLUT1.

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Supplementary Figure S1. Cornell model of *M. tuberculosis* latent infection in
mice and effects of Atg5 loss in myeloid lineage on disease reactivation. A.
Summary of mice mortality data in acute infection model of *Mtb* infection (aerosol)
based on survival curves in ref. 35. **B.** Details and timeline of the Cornell latency model
experiments (see narrative in Methods). **C.** Effects of Atg5 loss on spontaneous
reactivation of *M. tuberculosis* infection in Atg5[fl/fl] LysM-Cre[+] mice (loss of Atg5 in
myeloid lineage) vs. Atg5[fl/fl] LysM-Cre[-] (control) mice. Mice were infected with an
aerosol of *M. tuberculosis* (initial deposition, 100-120 CFUs per lung). After a period of
2.5 weeks, initial bacterial growth was assessed by determining lung CFUs (triangles),
mice were treated PO with antibiotics (0.1g/L INH and 0.15g/L RIF in drinking water) for
8 weeks, bacterial clearance after chemotherapy assessed by determining lung CFUs
(open circles), and remaining mice subjected to antibiotic washout for 7 weeks plus
spontaneous reactivation period with no treatment of 3 weeks at which time the mice
were sacrificed and lung CFUs determined by plating (filled circles). Data and statistics

for spontaneous reactivation: means, †p≥0.05, t test; n=8 mice per group. **D.** Cornell

murine model of *M. tuberculosis* latent infection and dexamethasone (DXM) induced

reactivation and effects of Atg5 loss in myeloid lineage of Atg5$^{fl/fl}$ LysM-Cre^{+} mice (vs.

Atg5$^{fl/fl}$ LysM-Cre^{-} control mice). Mice were infected with *M. tuberculosis* aerosols (initial

lung deposition 100-120 CFUs), bacteria allowed to replicate in vivo, mice subjected to

antibiotic   regimen,   followed   by   antibiotic   washout   period,   after   which

immunosuppression   with   DXM   was   carried   out   to   reactivate   infection/bacterial

replication (details in Methods). Data, CFU's per mouse lungs (means ± SE, t test, n=10

mice per group).

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Supplementary Figure S2. ATG5 interactome analysis. A. Volcano plot of proximity biotinylation LC-MS/MS interactome comparing FlpIn-HeLa[APEX2-ATG5-WT] treated with or without 2 mM LLOMe for 30 min. Diameter of symbols reflects relative number of unique peptides identified. **B**. Volcano plot of proximity biotinylation LC-MS/MS interactome comparing FlpIn-HeLa[APEX2-ATG5-K130R] treated with 2 mM LLOMe for 30 min and FlpIn-HeLa[APEX2-ATG5-WT] without LLOMe treatment. **C**. VPS proteins in the MS DIA data. **D**. VPS proteins identified here compared to VPS proteins in Ref. 86. **E.** Table: Control MS data (APEX2-SGALS1) for comparison with data in panel C; note no increase in retromer subunits with LLOMe treatment in the APEX1-SGALS1 dataset.

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Supplementary Figure S3. Retromer affects a subset of responses to lysosomal
damage. A,B. HCM imaging and quantification of LC3 (puncta/cell of
immunofluorescently stained endogenous LC3 profiles) in HeLa[WT], and HeLa[VPS35-KO]
cells in response to lysosomal damage by LLOMe. Data, means ± SE (n=3), one-way
ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons. **C,D**. HCM analysis of ubiquitin

(immunofluorescence; FK2 antibody) response to lysosomal damage (LLOMe; 1mM, 2

h) in Huh7^{WT}, Huh7$^{ATG5-KO}$, and Huh7$^{VPS35-KO}$ cells. Yellow profiles, colocalization of

ubiquitin and LAMP1. Data, means ± SE (n=3), one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple

comparisons. **E,F.** HCM quantification of ALIX localization to endolysosomal

compartments (% of LAMP1 profiles positive for ALIX immunostaining) in HeLa^{WT} and

HeLa$^{VPS35-KO}$ cells following lysosomal damage. Yellow profiles, colocalization of ALIX

and LAMP1. Data, means ± SE (n=3); two-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple

comparisons. HCM images in all relevant panels, examples from a bank of unbiased

operator-independent machine-collected and algorithm-processed fields containing a

minimum of 500 primary objects/cells per well (5 wells minimum per 96-well plate; 3

plates minimum), per cell line/condition.

Supplementary Figure S4. Membrane atg8ylation regulates retromer function. A.
Immunoblots of CRISPR KOs: (i) ATG3, ATG5, and ATG7 in Huh7 cells; (ii) VPS35 in
Huh7 cells; (iii) ATG5 in HeLa cells; and (iv) VPS35 in Hela cells. **B,C.** HCM images

(example form a bank of unbiased operator-independent machine collected and

processed images containing a minimum of 500 primary objects/cells) of GLUT1

(immunostaining of endogenous protein) puncta/cell (B) and GLUT1 colocalization with

LAMP2　in Huh7^{WT}, Huh7$^{ATG5-KO}$, and Huh7$^{VPS35-KO}$ cells (C). Scale bar, 20 µm. **D,E.**

HCM quantification of GLUT1 (immunostaining of endogenous protein) puncta/cell in

HeLa^{WT}, HeLa$^{ATG5-KO}$, and HeLa$^{VPS35-KO}$ cells. Scale bar, 20 µm. Data, means ± SE (n

=5); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons. **F,G.** HCM quantification of

GLUT1 colocalization with LAMP2 (% of LAMP2 profiles positive for GLUT1; overlap

area) in HeLa^{WT}, HeLa$^{ATG5-KO}$, and HeLa$^{VPS35-KO}$ cells. Scale bar, 20 µm. Data, means ±

SE (n =5); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons. **H.** Confocal images

illustrating localization of GLUT1 and LAMP2 in HeLa^{WT}, HeLa$^{ATG5-KO}$, and HeLa$^{VPS35-KO}$

cells. Scale bar, 10 µm. **I,J.** HCM quantification of GLUT1-SNX27 overlap (% of SNX7

area positive for GLUT1) in HeLa^{WT}, HeLa$^{ATG5-KO}$, and HeLa$^{VPS35-KO}$. Scale bar, 20 µm.

Data, means ± SE (n=4); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons. HCM

images in all relevant panels, examples from a bank of unbiased operator-independent

machine-collected and algorithm-processed fields containing a minimum of 500 primary

objects/cells per well (5 wells minimum per 96-well plate; 3 plates minimum), per cell

line.

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Supplementary Figure S5. ATG5 knockout has no effect on protein levels of retromer subunits. A,B. Immunoblot analysis (A) and quantification (B) of retromer complex proteins VPS35 (i), VPS26 (ii), and VPS29 (iii) from Huh7^{WT}, Huh7$^{ATG3-KO}$, Huh7$^{ATG5-KO}$, and Huh7$^{ATG7-KO}$ cells (total cell extract). **C,D.** Immunoblot analysis (C) and quantification (D) of retromer complex proteins VPS35 (i), VPS26 (ii), and VPS29 (iii) from HeLa^{WT}, and HeLa$^{ATG5-KO}$ cells (total cell extract). **E.** HCM quantification of GLUT1-LAMP2 colocalization in HeLa$^{LC3-TKO}$, HeLa$^{GABA-TKO}$, and HeLa$^{HEXA-KO}$ cells. Data, means ± SE (n =4), one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons. **F.** HCM images of GLUT1 puncta/cell in Huh7^{WT}, Huh7$^{FIP200-KO}$, Huh7$^{FIP200-KO+ siATG5}$, and Huh7$^{VPS35-KO}$

cells. **G.** Immunoblot analysis showing the siRNA mediated knockdown of ATG5 in Huh7$^{FIP200-KO}$ cells. HCM images in panel F, examples from a bank of unbiased operator-independent machine-collected and algorithm-processed fields containing a minimum of 500 primary objects/cells per well (5 wells minimum per 96-well plate; 3 plates minimum), per cell line/condition.

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Supplementary Figure S6. Loss of membrane atg8ylation but not of canonical
autophagy diverts of RAB7 to lysosomal compartments. A. HCM images of Rab7
(immunostaining of endogenous protein) showing Rab7 colocalization with LAMP2 (%
of LAMP2 profiles positive for GLUT1; overlap area) in Huh7[WT], Huh7[ATG3-KO], Huh7[ATG5-]

KO, Huh7^{ATG7-KO}, Huh7^{ATG16-KO}, and Huh7^{VPS35-KO} cells. Scale bar, 20 µm. **B.** HCM

images of Rab7 (puncta/cell of endogenous Rab7 profiles stained for

immunofluorescence) in Huh7^{WT}, Huh7^{ATG13-KO}, Huh7^{FIP200-KO}, Huh7^{ATG5-KO}, and

Huh7^{VPS35-KO} cells. Scale bar, 20 µm. **C,D.** HCM images (C) and quantification of RAB7

puncta (D) in Huh7^{WT}, Huh7^{FIP200-KO}, Huh7^{FIP200-KO + siATG5}, and Huh7^{VPS35-KO} cells. Scale

bar, 20 µm. Data, means ± SE (n =8), one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple

comparisons. **E,F.** HCM images (E) and quantification of RAB7-LAMP2 colocalization

(F) in Huh7^{WT}, Huh7^{FIP200-KO}, Huh7^{FIP200-KO + siATG5}, and Huh7^{VPS35-KO} cells. Scale bar, 20

µm. Data, means ± SE (n =8), one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons.

HCM images in all relevant panels, examples from a bank of unbiased operator-

independent machine-collected and algorithm-processed fields containing a minimum of

500 primary objects/cells per well (5 wells minimum per 96-well plate; 3 plates

minimum), per cell line.

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Supplementary Figure S7. CASM agonists effects on retromer cargo GLUT1 in the
absence of changes in TBC1D5-LC3A association. A. HCM images of GLUT1
puncta in Huh7[WT] cells upon treatment with Monensin (100µM), LLOMe (100µM), and
Bafilomycin A1 (100nM) for 45 minutes. **B,C.** Co-IP analysis (B) and quantification (C)
of TBC1D5 and GFP-LC3 interaction in Huh7 cells treated with or without Monensin
(100µM), LLOMe (100µM), and Bafilomycin A1 (100nM) for 45 minutes. Data, means ±
SE (n=3), one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons. HCM images in A,
examples from a bank of unbiased operator-independent machine-collected and

algorithm-processed fields containing a minimum of 500 primary objects/cells per well (5

wells minimum per 96-well plate; 3 plates minimum), per condition.

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Supplementary Figure S8. **A.** HCM representative images of GLUT1 puncta in U2OS^WT and U2OS^ATG2A/B-DKO cells upon treatment with LLOMe (100µM) for 45 minutes. **B.** HCM representative images of GLUT1 puncta in Huh7^WT and Huh7^VPS37A-KO cells upon treatment with LLOMe (100µM) for 45 minutes. **C,D.** HCM quantification of LC3 puncta in Huh7^WT, Huh7^ATG3-KO, Huh7^ATG5-KO, Huh7^ATG7-KO, and Huh7^VPS35-KO cells induced for autophagy in EBSS for 90 minutes. Plot in C, an example of a whole 96-well plate HCM readout; X axis, well positions; Y axis, HCM parameter quantified. Plot in D, nested data from three different plates each one as in C. FM, full medium; EVSS,

starvation medium. Data, means ± SE (n=3); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple

comparisons. **E,F.** Co-IP analysis (E) and quantification (F) of VPS35 and YFP-VPS29

interaction in HeLa^{WT}, and HeLa$^{ATG5-KO}$ cells. Data, means ± SE (n=3), one-way ANOVA

with Tukey's multiple comparisons. **G,H.** Co-IP analysis (G) and quantification (H) of

VPS26 and YFP-VPS29 interaction in HeLa^{WT}, and HeLa$^{ATG5-KO}$ cells. Data, means ±

SE (n=3); unpaired *t*-test.

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METHODS

Resource availability

Lead contact

Further information and requests for resources and reagents should be directed to and
will be fulfilled by Lead Contact, Vojo Deretic (vderetic@salud.unm.edu).

Materials availability

Plasmids and cell lines generated in this study are available from the lead contact.

Data and code availability

Raw MS DIA/DDA data have been deposited at the MassIVE proteomics repository
MassIVE (MSV000090348) and Proteome Exchange (PXD036850).

Any additional information required to reanalyze the data reported in this work paper is
available from the Lead Contact upon request.

EXPERIMENTAL MODEL AND SUBJECT DETAILS

Cells and cell line models

HEK293T and HeLa cells were from ATCC (American Type Culture Collection). Huh7
cells were from Rocky Mountain Laboratories.

Mice

Atg5$^{fl/fl}$ LysM-Cre^{-}, Atg5$^{fl/fl}$ LysM-Cre^{+} mice were previously described[Castillo, 2012,
23093667;Manzanillo, 2012, 22607800].

Housing and husbandry conditions of experimental animals

All mice were housed in AAALAC-accredited Animal Research Facility (ARF) of the
University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center (UNM-HSC) and institutionally

approved husbandry conditions and approved breeding protocols were followed. *M.*
tuberculosis-infected animals were housed in a separate ABSL3 suite within the UNM
HSC ARF facility and all staff followed strict ABSL3, BSL3, and animal protocols
approved by the UNM HSC Biosafety committee and the Institutional Animal Care and
Use Committee. The study was compliant with all relevant ethical guidelines for animal
research.

METHOD DETAILS

Antibodies, Reagents and plasmids.

Antibodies from Abcam were ATG5 [1:2000 for Western blot (WB), ab108327], ATG7
(1:2000 for WB, ab52472), GFP [1:2000 for WB; 1:300 for Immunoprecipitation (IP),
ab290], mCherry (1:1000 for WB, ab183628), VPS35(1: 500 for WB; 1:1000 for IF,
ab10099), VPS29 [1:500 for Immunofluorescence (IF), ab10160], GLUT1 [1:3000
western blot (WB), 1:1000 for Immunofluorescence (IF), ab115730], RAB7 [1:2000
western blot (WB), 1:500 for Immunofluorescence (IF), ab137029].

Antibodies from Biolegend were ALIX [1:400 for Immunofluorescence (IF), #634502],
Galectin-3 [1:200 for Immunofluorescence (IF), #125402].

Antibodies from Proteintech were VPS26A [1:500 for Western blot (WB), 12804-1-AP],
VPS35 [1:500 for Western blot (WB), 1:1000 for Immunofluorescence (IF), 10236-1-AP],
TBC1D5 [1:1000 for Western blot (WB), 17078-1-AP].

Antibodies from Sigma Aldrich were ATG3 [1:1000 for Western blot (WB), #A3231],
Ubiquitin [FK2, 1:500 for immunofluorescence (IF), 04-263].

Antibodies from Cell Signaling were α-Tubulin (DM1A) [1:3000 for Western blot (WB);
#3873], LAMP1[1:3000 for immunofluorescence (IF), #9091].

Other antibodies used in this study were from the following sources: beta-Actin [1:500
for Western blot (WB), sc-47778] and GAPDH [1:500 for Western blot (WB), sc-47724]
from Santa Cruz Biotechnology; LAMP2 [1:1000 for immunofluorescence (IF), H4B4]

from DSHB of University of Iowa; ATG5 [1: 500 for Western blot (WB), ASA-B0113)

from Novateinbio, SNX27 [1:1000 for Western blot (WB), MA5-27854] from Invitrogen.

Alexa Fluor 488, 568, 647 [1:500 for immunofluorescence (IF)] and IgG-HRP [1:10000

for western blot (WB)]. Secondary antibodies were from ThermoFisher Scientific. IgG

Polyclonal Antibody Goat anti-mouse IRDye 680 (LI-COR, 925-68020), and Goat anti-

rabbit IRDye 800 (LI-COR, 926-32211) secondary antibodies were from LI-COR

Biosciences.

We also used the following reagents: Bafilomycin A1 (BafA1, InvivoGen; 13D02-MM),

Monensin (Sigma, M5273), LLOMe (Sigma, L7393), Lipofectamine 2000 (Thermo

Scientific, 11668019); TritonX-100 (OmniPur, 9410-OP), saponin (Sigma, S4521-25G).

DMEM (Gibco, #11995040), and Penicillin–Streptomycin (1,000 U/ml; Gibco,

#15140122). OptiMEM from Life Technologies, Puromycin dihydrochloride (Sigma,

P9620), Hygromycin B (Sigma, H0654)

Plasmids used in this study include eGFP-Rab7 WT (Addgene, #12605), eGFP-

Rab7^{Q67L} (Addgene, #28049) and eGFP-Rab7^{T22N} (Addgene, #28049).

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Plasmids, siRNAs, and transfection

Plasmids used in this study, such as ATG5 were first cloned into pDONR221 (Gateway

Technology cloning vector, Thermo Scientfic) using a BP cloning reaction and the

expression vectors were made utilizing LR cloning reaction (Gateway, ThermoFisher) in

appropriate (pDEST) destination vectors for immunoprecipitation assay. Plasmid

transfections were performed using the Lipofectamine 2000/3000 Transfection Reagent

(ThermoFisher Scientific, #11668019).

Cornell model of *M. tuberculosis* latent infection

For this study, a total of 68 mice were used (35 Atg5$^{fl/fl}$ LysM-Cre$^+$ and 33 Atg5$^{fl/fl}$ LysM-

Cre$^-$). Early in the course of the study, one mouse died due to malocclusion and thus

could not be included in the final analysis.

Inoculum was prepared by diluting *M. tuberculosis* Erdman frozen stock 1:50 in
PBS/0.01% Tween for a final amount of ~$7.38e^6$ CFU/mL. Inoculum was serially diluted
5 times at 1:10 each time in PBS/Tween. 50 µL aliquots of the 3rd, 4th, and 5th dilutions
were plated on 7H11 agar plates to determine actual inoculum CFUs (Actual inoculum
for this study: $6.45e^6$ CFU/mL). Remaining inoculum was added to Glas-Col inhalation
System and mice were infected via aerosol according to the following machine settings:

Glas-Col Cycle Settings:

M. tuberculosis Erdman diluted 1:50, targeting 200 CFU/mouse.

1. Preheat: (15 minutes)
2. Nebulizing: (20 minutes)
3. Cloud decay: (20 minutes)
4. Decontamination: (15 minutes)- UV lights ON
5. Cool down period: (10 minutes)
Immediately following aerosol infection, 3 C57BL/6 mice, infected in parallel with the
experimental cohort, were euthanized to determine lung deposition CFUs. 5 x 200uL
aliquots of neat, homogenized tissue were grown for 2-3 weeks at 37°C and 5% CO_2.
Initial deposition: ca. 100 CFUs per lung. This procedure was used for all subsequent
CFU determinations in this study.

After a period of 2.5 weeks bacterial growth was assessed by determining lung CFUs (2
Cre+ and 1 Cre- sacrificed)

Subsequently, mice were treated PO with antibiotics (0.1g/L INH and 0.15g/L RIF) in
drinking water for 8 weeks and bacterial clearance by chemotherapy was assessed by
determining lung CFUs (11 Cre+ and 10 Cre- sacrificed).

The remaining mice were subjected to antibiotic washout for 7 weeks plus a
spontaneous reactivation period with no treatment for 3 weeks at which time lung CFUs
were determined (8 Cre+ and 8 Cre- sacrificed).

After washout and reactivation periods, dexamethasone was administered by IP

injection 5 times/week at 0.08mg/mouse/day to induce immunosuppression. Mice were

immunosuppressed in this manner for 6 weeks after which point lung CFUs were

determined (14 Cre$^+$ and 13 Cre$^-$ sacrificed).

Generation of CRISPR mutant cells

Knockout cells (HeLa$^{ATG5-KO}$, HeLa$^{VPS35-KO}$ Huh7$^{ATG5-KO}$, Huh7$^{ATG3-KO}$, Huh7$^{ATG7-KO}$,

Huh7$^{VPS35-KO}$) were generated by CRISPR/Cas9-mediated knockout system. The

lentiviral vector lentiCRISPRv2 carrying both Cas9 enzyme and a gRNA targeting ATG5

(gRNA-puro: AAGAGTAAGTTATTTGACGT),   ATG3   (gRNA-Hygro:

GTGAAGGCATACCTACCAAC), ATG7 (gRNA-puro: CTTCCGTGACCGTACCATGC),

VPS35 (gRNA-hygro: GCTCACCGTGAAGATGGACC), or Scramble (gRNA-hygro:

GTGTAGTTCGACCATTCGTG) were transfected into HEK293T cells together with the

packaging plasmids psPAX2 and pCMV-VSV-G at the ratio of 5:3:2. Two days after

transfection, the supernatant containing lentiviruses was collected. Cells were infected

by the lentiviruses with 8-10 µg/mL polybrene. 36 h after infection, the cells were

selected with puromycin (1-10 µg/mL) or hygromycin (100-500 µg/ml) for one week in

order to select knockout cells. All knockouts were confirmed by western blot. Selection

of single clones was performed by dilution in 96-well.

High content microscopy (HCM)

Cells in 96 well plates were fixed in 4% paraformaldehyde for 5 min. Cells were then

permeabilized with 0.1% saponin in 3% Bovine serum albumin (BSA) for 30 min

followed by incubation with primary antibodies for 2 h and secondary antibodies for 1h.

Hoechst 33342 staining was performed for 3 min. High content microscopy with

automated image acquisition and quantification was carried out using a Cellomics HCS

scanner and iDEV software (ThermoFisher Scientific). Automated epifluorescence

image collection was performed for a minimum of 500 cells per well. Epifluorescence

images were machine analyzed using preset scanning parameters and object mask

definitions. Hoechst 33342 staining was used for autofocusing and to automatically

define cellular outlines based on background staining of the cytoplasm. Primary objects

were cells, and regions of interest (ROI) or targets were algorithm-defined by
shape/segmentation, maximum/minimum average intensity, total area and total
intensity, etc., to automatically identify puncta or other profiles within valid primary
objects. Each experiment (independent biological repeats; n≥3) consists of machine-
identified 500 valid primary objects/cells per well, ≥5 wells/sample. All data collection,
processing (object, ROI, and target mask assignments) and analyses were computer
driven independently of human operators. HCM also provides a continuous variable
statistic since it does nor rely on parametric reporting cells as positive or negative for a
certain marker above or below a puncta number threshold.

Co-IP and immunoblotting assays

For co-IP, cells transfected with 8–10 µg of plasmids were lysed in ice-cold NP-40 buffer
(Thermo Fisher Scientific) supplemented with protease inhibitor cocktail (11697498001;
Roche) and 1 mM PMSF (93482; Sigma-Aldrich) for 30 min on ice. Lysates were
centrifuged for 10 min at 10,000 g at 4°C. Supernatants were incubated with (2–3 µg)
antibodies overnight at 4°C. The immune complexes were captured with Dynabeads
(Thermo Fisher Scientific), followed by three times washing with 1 x PBS. Proteins
bound to Dynabeads were eluted with 2 x Laemmli sample buffer (Bio-Rad) and
subjected to immunoblot analysis.
For immunoblotting, lysates were centrifuged for 10 min at 10,000× g at 4°C.
Supernatants were then separated on 4–20% Mini-PROTEAN TGX Precast Protein
Gels (Biorad) and transferred to nitrocellulose membranes. Membranes were blocked in
3% BSA for 1 h at RT and incubated overnight at 4°C with primary antibodies diluted in
blocking buffer. They were then incubated with an HRP-conjugated secondary antibody,
and proteins were detected using ECL and developed using ChemiDoc Imaging System
(Biorad). Analysis and quantification of bands were performed using ImageJ software.

LysoIP assay:
Plasmids for LysoIP were purchased from Addgene. Cells were plated in 10 cm dishes
in DMEM and 10% FBS and transfected with pLJC5-TMEM192-3xHA or pLJC5-
TMEM192-2XFLAG constructs at 75-85% confluency. After 24 hours of transfection,
cells with or without treatment were quickly rinsed twice with PBS and then scraped in

1mL of KPBS (136 mM KCl, 10 mM KH$_2$PO$_4$, pH7.25 adjusted with KOH) and

centrifuged at 3000 rpm for 2 min at 4^{0}C. Pelleted cells were resuspended in 1000 µL

KPBS and reserved 50 µL for further processing of the whole cell. lysate. The remaining

cells were gently homogenized with 20 strokes of a 2 mL homogenizer. The

homogenate was then centrifuged at 3000 rpm for 2 min at 4 ^{0}C and the supernatant

was incubated with 100 µL of KPBS prewashed anti-HA magnetic beads

(ThermoFisher) on a gentle rotator shaker for 15 min. Immunoprecipitants were then

gently washed three times with KPBS and eluted with 2 x Laemmli sample buffer (Bio-

Rad) and subjected to immunoblot analysis.

Immunofluorescence confocal microscopy and analysis

Cells were plated onto coverslips in 6-well plates. After treatment, cells were fixed in 4%

paraformaldehyde for 5 min followed by permeabilization with 0.1% saponin in 3% BSA

for 30 min. Cells were then incubated with primary antibodies for 2 h and appropriate

secondary antibodies Alexa Fluor 488 or 568 (ThermoFisher Scientific) for 1 h at room

temperature. Coverslips were mounted using Prolong Gold Antifade Mountant

(ThermoFisher Scientific). Images were acquired using a confocal microscope (META;

Carl Zeiss) equipped with a 63 3/1.4 NA oil objective, camera (LSM META; Carl Zeiss),

and AIM software (Carl Zeiss).

Sample preparation for LC-MS/MS

The previously described HeLaFp-In-APEX2-ATG5-WT and HeLaFlp-InAPEX2-ATG5-

K130R cells [Wang, 2023, 37054706] were incubated in complete medium

supplemented with 500 µM biotin–phenol (AdipoGen) with or without 2 mM LLOMe for

30 min. A 1-min pulse with 1 mM H$_2$O$_2$ at room temperature was stopped with

quenching buffer (10 mM sodium ascorbate, 10 mM sodium azide and 5 mM Trolox in

PBS). All samples were washed twice with quenching buffer, and twice with PBS for 1

min. For LC–MS/MS analysis, cell pellets were lysed in 500 µl ice-cold lysis buffer (6 M

urea, 0.3 M NaCl, 1 mM EDTA, 1 mM EGTA, 10 mM sodium ascorbate, 10 mM sodium

azide, 5 mM Trolox, 1% glycerol and 25 mm Tris-HCl, pH 7.5) for 30 min by gentle

pipetting. Lysates were clarified by centrifugation and protein concentrations were

determined using Pierce 660 nm protein assay reagent. Streptavidin-coated magnetic

beads (Pierce) were washed with lysis buffer. A total of 1 mg of each sample was mixed

with 100 µl of streptavidin beads. The suspensions were gently rotated at 4 °C overnight

to bind biotinylated proteins. The flow-through after enrichment was removed and the

beads were washed in sequence with 1 ml IP buffer (150 mM NaCl, 10 mM Tris-HCl, pH

8.0, 1 mM EDTA, 1 mM EGTA, 1% Triton X-100) twice; 1 ml 1 M KCl; 1 ml of 50 mM

Na_2CO_3; 1 ml 2 M urea in 20 mM Tris HCl (pH 8.0); and 1 ml IP buffer. Biotinylated

proteins were eluted and processed for mass spectrometry. Protein samples on

magnetic beads were washed four times with 200 µl of 50 mM Triethyl ammonium

bicarbonate (TEAB) with a twenty-minute shake time at 4 °C in between each wash.

Roughly 2.5 µg of trypsin was added to the bead and TEAB mixture and the samples

were digested over night at 800 rpm shake speed. After overnight digestion the

supernatant was removed, and the beads were washed once with enough 50 mM

ammonium bicarbonate to cover. After 20 min at a gentle shake the wash is removed

and combined with the initial supernatant. The peptide extracts are reduced in volume

by vacuum centrifugation and a small portion of the extract is used for fluorometric

peptide quantification (Thermo scientific Pierce). One microgram of sample based on

the fluorometric peptide assay was loaded for each LC-MS analysis.

Liquid chromatography-tandem mass spectrometry

Peptides were desalted and trapped on a Thermo PepMap trap and separated on an

Easy-spray 100 µm × 25 cm C18 column using a Dionex Ultimate 3,000 nUPLC at 200

nL/min. Solvent A = 0.1% formic acid, Solvent B = 100% Acetonitrile 0.1% formic acid.

Gradient conditions = 2% B to 50% B over 60 min, followed by a 50%–99% B in 6 min

and then held for 3 min than 99% B to 2% B in 2 min and total run time of 90 min using

Thermo Scientific Fusion Lumos mass spectrometer. The samples were run in DIA

mode; mass spectra were acquired using a collision energy of 35, resolution of 30 K,

maximum inject time of 54 *ms* and an AGC target of 50K, using staggered isolation

windows of 12 Da in the *m/z* range 400–1,000 *m/z*.

DIA Quantification and Statistical Analysis

DIA data was analyzed using Spectronaut 14.10 (Biognosys Schlieren, Switzerland)

using the directDIA workflow with the default settings. Briefly, protein sequences were

downloaded from Uniprot (Human Proteome UP000005640), ATG5 from Uniprot and
common laboratory contaminant sequences from https://thegpm.org/crap/. Trypsin/P
specific was set for the enzyme allowing two missed cleavages. Fixed Modifications
were set for Carbamidomethyl, and variable modification were set to Acetyl (Protein N-
term) and Oxidation. For DIA search identification, PSM and Protein Group FDR was
set at 1%. A minimum of 2 peptides per protein group were required for quantification.
Proteins known to be endogenously biotinylated were excluded from consideration.

Quantification and statistical analysis

Data in this study are presented as means ± SEM (n ≥ 3). Data were analyzed with
either analysis of variance (ANOVA) with Tukey's HSD post-hoc test, or a two-tailed
Student's t-test. For HCM, n ≥ 3 is included in each independent experiment: ≥500 valid
primary objects/cells per well, from ≥ 5 wells per plate per sample. Statistical
significance was defined as: ns (not significant) or <0.05 (significant). For HCM, sample
size was based on a historic power analysis (published studies), with large effect size
(differences and variability derived from published work), power 80%, β 20%, and α 5%,
assuming normal distribution and favoring type II false negative errors over type I false
positive errors. Band intensity in immunoblots, n=3 (biological replicates); no power
analysis was performed.

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