

1 **Reactive oxygen species prevent lysosome coalescence during** 2 **PIKfyve inhibition**

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20 **Abbreviations:** CDNB: 1-chloro-2,4,-dinitrobenzene; FBS: fetal bovine serum; HPF:

21 hydroxylphenyl fluorescein; LAMP1: lysosomal membrane protein-1; LLMEO: L-leucyl-L-

22 leucine methyl ester; MCB: monochlorobimane; MCOLN1: Muco1ipin-1; NAC: N-acetyl-L-

23 cysteine; PFA: paraformaldehyde; PtdInsP: phosphoinositide; PtdIns(3,5)P₂: phosphatidylinositol-
24 3,5-bisphosphate; RILP: Rab-Interacting Lysosomal Protein; ROS: reactive oxygen species

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35 **Abstract**

36 Lysosomes are terminal, degradative organelles of the endosomal pathway that undergo repeated
37 fusion-fission cycles with themselves, endosomes, phagosomes, and autophagosomes. Lysosome
38 number and size depends on balanced fusion and fission rates. Thus, conditions that favour fusion
39 over fission can reduce lysosome numbers while enlarging their size. Conversely, favouring fission
40 over fusion may cause lysosome fragmentation and increase their numbers. PIKfyve is a
41 phosphoinositide kinase that generates phosphatidylinositol-3,5-bisphosphate to modulate
42 lysosomal functions. PIKfyve inhibition causes an increase in lysosome size and reduction in
43 lysosome number, consistent with lysosome coalescence. This is thought to proceed through
44 reduced lysosome reformation and/or fission after fusion with endosomes or other lysosomes.
45 Previously, we observed that photo-damage during live-cell imaging prevented lysosome

46 coalescence during PIKfyve inhibition. Thus, we postulated that lysosome fusion and/or fission
47 dynamics are affected by reactive oxygen species (ROS). Here, we show that ROS generated by
48 various independent mechanisms all impaired lysosome coalescence during PIKfyve inhibition
49 and accelerated lysosome fragmentation during re-activation. However, depending on the ROS
50 species or mode of production, lysosome dynamics were affected distinctly. H₂O₂ impaired
51 lysosome motility and reduced lysosome fusion with phagosomes, suggesting that H₂O₂ reduces
52 lysosome fusogenicity. In comparison, inhibitors of oxidative phosphorylation, glutathione, and
53 thioredoxin that produce superoxide, did not impair lysosome motility but instead promoted
54 clearance of actin puncta on lysosomes formed during PIKfyve inhibition. Additionally, actin
55 depolymerizing agents prevented lysosome coalescence during PIKfyve inhibition. Thus, we
56 discovered that ROS can generally prevent lysosome coalescence during PIKfyve inhibition using
57 distinct mechanisms depending on the type of ROS.

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59 **Introduction**

60 Lysosomes are typically defined as terminal organelles with an acidic and degradative lumen that
61 digest macromolecules received through endocytosis, phagocytosis and autophagy [1–3]. In
62 reality, lysosomes are part of an endomembrane spectrum formed through heterotypic and
63 homotypic fusion between late endosomes that enclose cargo for degradation, terminal lysosomes,
64 which are non-acidic, hydrolase-dormant storage organelles, and endolysosomes, hybrids formed
65 when late endosomes and terminal lysosomes fuse together [4–7]; we use the term *lysosome* to
66 refer to this spectrum. Importantly, fusion and content exchange along the lysosomal spectrum
67 proceeds through two major routes. First, lysosomes can fuse with a target organelle resulting in
68 complete merger of the two compartments. Alternatively, lysosomes can exchange content with

69 another target organelle through “kiss-and-run”; in this process, a transient fusion between two
70 organelles generates an aqueous pore to exchange content and is followed by fission to prevent
71 amalgamation of the two compartments [6,8–10].

72 Delivery of cargo to lysosomes is an incessant process that depends on cargo sorting,
73 membrane targeting, and the fusion machinery, which are governed by, among others, the
74 lysosomal GTPases, Rab7 and Arl8b [11,12]. These GTPases modulate the movement of
75 lysosomes along microtubule tracks through their effectors; Rab7 uses Rab-Interacting Lysosomal
76 Protein (RILP) and FYVE and Coiled-Coil Domain Autophagy Adaptor-1 (FYCO1) to engage
77 dynein and kinesins, thus moving lysosomes towards the cell centre and periphery, respectively
78 [13,14]. In comparison, Arl8b uses Pleckstrin-Homology and RUN domain containing M2
79 (PLEKHM2; or SKIP) protein to engage kinesin to promote lysosome positioning to the cell
80 periphery [15]. When lysosomes contact other lysosomes/late endosomes, this engages tether
81 complexes like Homotypic Fusion Protein Sorting (HOPS) complex, also modulated by Rab7 and
82 Arl8b, and eventually undergo fusion [12,16,17]. Lysosome fusion and fission dynamics is also
83 modulated by intralysosomal Ca^{2+} release via Mucolipin-1 (MCOLN1) and P2X4 channels
84 [18,19].

85 Despite the incessant delivery of content to lysosomes through fusion, cells maintain
86 lysosome number and size, suggesting that exit of cargo from lysosomes by fission is also
87 relentless. Yet, much less is known about lysosome fission, which may proceed through
88 vesiculation, tubulation, and splitting [10]. Lysosome fission mechanisms may include classical
89 coat and fission machinery such as clathrin and dynamin and actin complexes [10,20–24].
90 Coordination of these fission machines is poorly understood but likely involves MCOLN1- Ca^{2+}
91 release [19,25,26]. Additionally, phosphoinositides (PtdInsPs) play a key role in lysosome fission

92 dynamics including modulation of vesiculation versus tubulation [10]. Amongst these, lysosome
93 fission-fusion cycles are coordinated by the Phosphoinositide Kinase, FYVE-type Zinc Finger
94 Containing (PIKfyve) lipid kinase that synthesizes phosphatidylinositol-3,5-bisphosphate
95 [PtdIns(3,5)P₂] and directly or indirectly, phosphatidylinositol-5-phosphate [27,28].
96 Pharmacological or genetic disruption of PIKfyve and partner proteins like Vac14 and the Fig4
97 phosphatase cause enlarged lysosomes, partly by impairing fission and reformation of terminal
98 lysosomes [4,27,29–31]. The result is lysosome coalescence, enlarging lysosomes while reducing
99 their numbers [4,30]. It remains unclear how PIKfyve controls lysosome fission but may involve
100 control of actin-assembly on lysosomes and fission proteins [19,21,26,32].

101 During our studies with acute PIKfyve inhibition, we observed that imaging by spinning
102 disc confocal microscopy at high frequency inhibited lysosome enlargement caused by PIKfyve
103 inhibition [30]. We speculated that this resulted from photo-generated reactive oxygen species
104 (ROS), which can include superoxide anions (O₂⁻), hydrogen peroxide (H₂O₂), and hydroxyl
105 radicals (OH[•]) [33–35]. ROS species are also formed as part of normal aerobic metabolism and
106 can actually be produced as signaling intermediates to modulate cell proliferation and the
107 inflammatory response [36,37]. Yet, overt ROS production is detrimental, damaging proteins,
108 lipids, and DNA. Thus, cells have evolved multiple systems to quench ROS levels such as O₂⁻
109 dismutase, catalase, glutathione, and thioredoxin [37,38].

110 In this study, we sought to understand if other modes of ROS generation could abate
111 lysosome coalescence during PIKfyve inhibition and to better define the mechanisms of action.
112 Strikingly, we found that different sources of ROS reduced lysosome coalescence during PIKfyve
113 inhibition and accelerated lysosome fragmentation upon PIKfyve reactivation. Interestingly, these
114 distinct ROS hindered lysosome coalescence differently. H₂O₂ prevented lysosome coalescence

115 by impairing lysosome motility and blunting lysosome fusogenicity. In comparison, oxidative
116 decoupling of the mitochondria with rotenone and inhibitors of glutathione and thioredoxin
117 counteracted lysosome coalescence by releasing actin clusters that accumulated on lysosomes
118 during PIKfyve impairment.

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120 **Results**

121 **Stimulation of ROS suppresses lysosome enlargement during acute** 122 **PIKfyve inhibition**

123 We previously observed that extended laser excitation by spinning disc confocal fluorescence
124 microscopy arrested lysosome enlargement during acute PIKfyve suppression [30]. We speculated
125 that this arrest may be due to ROS production caused by light energy [39]. This led us to
126 hypothesize that other mechanisms of ROS generation could impair lysosome enlargement during
127 acute inhibition of PIKfyve. To test this, we exposed cells to a variety of ROS inducers: H₂O₂,
128 rotenone, which decouples the mitochondrial electron chain, monochlorobimane (MCB), a
129 glutathione S-transferase inhibitor, or to the thioredoxin inhibitor, 1-chloro-2,4,-dinitrobenzene
130 (CDNB) [35,40–42]. We first demonstrated that these manipulations enhanced ROS levels by
131 using CellROX Green, a redox sensitive dye whose fluorescence is proportional to ROS levels
132 (Figs 1A-B). Additionally, ROS cause MCB to form fluorescent MCB-glutathione adducts; we
133 observed 7x more MCB-glutathione adducts relative to vehicle (Fig 1C-1D). To better define the
134 type(s) of ROS generated by these treatments, we used fluorescent detectors for O₂⁻ (ROS-ID),
135 mitochondrial O₂⁻ (MitoSox), OH⁻/peroxynitrite (HPF), and singlet O₂[·] (si-DMA). We found that
136 H₂O₂ was the most promiscuous agent generating all species except detectable levels of singlet O₂[·]

137 (Fig 1E-H). In turn, rotenone generated mitochondrial O_2^- and singlet O_2^{\cdot} as detected by MitoSox
138 and si-DMA, respectively (Fig 1E-H), while CDNB favoured production of singlet O_2^{\cdot} (Fig 1E-
139 H). MCB did not elicit detectable changes in these probes, though ROS were detected when using
140 CellRox and GSH-MCB (Fig 1-D).

141 Remarkably, we then observed that all ROS inducers arrested lysosome enlargement in
142 cells treated with apilimod, a potent and selective PIKfyve blocker (Fig 2). More specifically,
143 RAW cells treated with apilimod alone suffered an increase in the size of individual lysosomes
144 (Fig 2B) and a decrease in lysosome number (Fig 2C), indicating that lysosomes coalesced. As we
145 documented before, the total cellular volume of the lysosome population was unchanged between
146 resting and apilimod-treated cells (Fig 2D). In comparison, co-exposure of cells with apilimod to
147 either H_2O_2 , rotenone, MCB or CDNB prevented lysosome enlargement and reduction in lysosome
148 number (Fig 2A-D). Moreover, we used auranofin as a complementary thioredoxin inhibitor to
149 CDNB and observed that it too prevented apilimod-induced lysosome coalescence (Fig 2A-D). To
150 test whether lower H_2O_2 levels (100 μ M) could also block lysosome coalescence, we used lower
151 apilimod concentrations (1 or 5 nM). We still observed lysosome coalescence at these lower
152 concentrations of apilimod and this was prevented in cells that were co-exposed to 100 μ M H_2O_2
153 (S1 Fig). No significant changes to lysosome number, size of individual lysosomes and total
154 lysosome volume were observed when ROS agonists were used alone (Fig 2A-D). The fact that
155 ROS alone did not appear to further reduce lysosome size and increase lysosome number may
156 reflect some physical restriction to the smallest lysosome size; for example, osmotic pressure may
157 prevent a further reduction in the size of basal lysosomes.

158 To provide evidence that ROS were the active agents that blocked lysosome coalescence
159 during apilimod-treatment, we employed N-acetyl-L-cysteine (NAC) as an anti-oxidant during

160 rotenone co-administration [43]. Indeed, cells co-exposed with apilimod, rotenone and NAC
161 displayed larger lysosomes than cells co-treated with apilimod and rotenone (Fig 3), indicating
162 that ROS are the active agents arresting lysosome enlargement during PtdIns(3,5)P₂ depletion.

163 To ensure that these observations were not specific to murine RAW macrophages, we
164 assessed apilimod-induced lysosome coalescence in human-derived RPE and HeLa cells co-
165 exposed to H₂O₂ or CDNB. As with RAW cells, while apilimod-alone induced lysosome
166 coalescence in HeLa and RPE cells, counterpart cells co-administered apilimod and H₂O₂ or
167 CDNB resisted lysosome enlargement and reduction in lysosome number (S2 Fig). As before, no
168 changes were observed under any treatment to the total lysosomal volume within these cell types
169 (S2D, S2H Figs). Overall, our observations suggest that generation of ROS via distinct
170 mechanisms can impair lysosome coalescence caused by PIKfyve inhibition in several cell types.

171 **ROS accelerate lysosome fragmentation during PIKfyve reactivation**

172 Removal of apilimod elicited reversal of lysosome coalescence, re-establishing lysosome size and
173 number after >3 h post drug removal [30]. To test if ROS exposure could accelerate this reversal
174 in lysosome coalescence, we treated RAW cells with apilimod for 1 h and then incubated cells
175 with fresh, drug-free medium to reactivate PIKfyve with or without H₂O₂, rotenone, CDNB, or
176 MCB during this wash duration. As before, apilimod increased lysosome size and decreased
177 lysosome number, while chasing cells for 2 h after drug removal reversed this phenotype partly;
178 longer incubation ultimately reverses lysosome enlargement completely [30]. Exposure to any of
179 the ROS agents during the apilimod-free chase accelerated the rate of lysosome fragmentation,
180 rapidly increasing lysosome number and reducing the size of individual lysosomes (Fig 4A-D).

181 Overall, ROS prevented and reversed lysosome coalescence induced by PIKfyve
182 inhibition. We next examined levels of PtdIns(3,5)P₂, lysosome membrane damage, lysosome

183 motility, fusion and fission events in order to better understand the mechanisms that enable ROS
184 to prevent lysosome coalescence in the absence of PIKfyve activity.

185 **ROS stimulation arrests apilimod induced lysosome enlargement** 186 **without neutralizing apilimod or stimulating PtdIns(3,5)P₂ synthesis**

187 To understand the effect of ROS on apilimod-mediated lysosome enlargement, we first considered
188 the trivial possibility that higher ROS load within cells may degrade the structural integrity of
189 apilimod, relieving the acute PIKfyve suppression, and thus preventing lysosome coalescence. To
190 test this, we co-incubated apilimod with H₂O₂ in complete medium *in vitro* for 40 min. Following
191 this incubation, we added catalase to decompose H₂O₂ and then transferred the reaction mixture
192 onto RAW macrophages to observe if apilimod was still able to induce lysosome enlargement. We
193 found that apilimod pre-exposed to H₂O₂ was still able to increase lysosome size and decrease
194 lysosome number similarly to an aliquot of naïve apilimod (Fig 5A-D), suggesting that H₂O₂ did
195 not degrade apilimod. Moreover, while H₂O₂ arrested apilimod-mediated lysosome enlargement,
196 the co-addition of catalase to apilimod and H₂O₂ permitted lysosome enlargement, further
197 suggesting that H₂O₂ is a direct suppressor of lysosome coalescence in PIKfyve-inhibited cells
198 (Fig 5A-D). Therefore, we provide additional evidence that ROS rescue lysosome coalescence
199 during acute PIKfyve inhibition.

200 We next examined if ROS rescue lysosome coalescence during PIKfyve inhibition by
201 increasing the levels of PtdIns(3,5)P₂ in cells. In part, this may occur because ROS species
202 reversibly oxidize catalytic cysteine residues on protein and lipid phosphatases, abating their
203 activity [37,44,45]. Therefore, augmented ROS levels may inhibit the Fig4 lipid phosphatase,
204 counteracting PIKfyve inhibition with apilimod and boosting PtdIns(3,5)P₂ levels [31]. This
205 putative PtdIns(3,5)P₂ elevation may then be sufficient to prevent lysosome coalescence in cells

206 exposed to apilimod and ROS. To test this hypothesis, we measured PtdInsP levels in cells treated
207 with H₂O₂ or rotenone with and without apilimod by labelling cells with ³H-*myo*-inositol and using
208 HPLC-coupled flow scintillation [46]. However, we observed a similar drop of about 80% in
209 Ptdns(3,5)P₂ in cells treated with apilimod with or without ROS agents (Fig 5E, F), suggesting that
210 ROS stimulation does not significantly elevate PtdIns(3,5)P₂ levels. In addition, inhibition of
211 PIKfyve typically causes an increase in PtdIns(3)P levels (Fig 5E, F). While rotenone had no effect
212 on this increase, H₂O₂ appeared to prevent this spike in PtdIns(3)P levels during apilimod treatment
213 (Fig 5E). The significance of this change is not clear to us but given that rotenone still increased
214 PtdIns(3)P and prevented lysosome coalescence, it is not likely to explain our observations.
215 Overall, ROS prevents lysosome coalescence during PIKfyve inhibition via a mechanism that is
216 independent of PtdIns(3,5)P₂ levels.

217 **ROS alter the microtubule system**

218 Since PtdIns(3,5)P₂ levels do not illuminate how ROS prevent lysosome coalescence during
219 PIKfyve inhibition, we assessed other processes that affect lysosome dynamics. First, we examined
220 whether ROS altered the microtubule system given its role in facilitating homotypic and
221 heterotypic lysosome fusion. In fact, we previously showed that disruption of the microtubule
222 system and microtubule motor activity blocked lysosome coalescence during PIKfyve inhibition
223 [30]. We inspected the microtubule system in RAW macrophages (Fig 6A-D) and RPE cells (Fig
224 6E-H) exposed to the ROS agents by immunofluorescence staining against α -tubulin. We observed
225 that the ROS agonists altered the microtubule system, but in distinct ways. Relative to untreated
226 RAW macrophages or RPE cells, qualitative analysis of immunofluorescence images suggest that
227 H₂O₂ makes microtubules more stable and extended, whereas increasing concentrations of
228 rotenone, CDNB and MCB seemed to depolymerize microtubules, resulting in shorter

229 microtubules and diffused staining (Fig. 6). As a proxy to quantify changes to the microtubule
230 morphology, we employed and validated the use of ImageJ “skeleton” plugin to extract different
231 parameters of microtubule structure; these included filament junctions, branching, branch length,
232 and patch area (S3 Fig). It is important to state that these are proxies rather than absolute
233 descriptors of microtubule morphology. Using these measures, we were able to quantitatively
234 show that all four ROS types altered the microtubule system with distinct effects. Briefly, H₂O₂
235 increased the number of microtubule junctions per cell and branch length in both RAW and RPE
236 cells (Fig 6B, D, F and H). In comparison, rotenone, CDNB and MCB decreased the number of
237 microtubule junctions and branches per cell significantly in RAW cells and increased the patch
238 area in RPE cells (Fig. 6B, C, I). These observations indicate that type of ROS and/or the site of
239 ROS synthesis differentially affects microtubules, and potentially lysosome dynamics.

240 **Disparate ROS effects on lysosome motility**

241 To dissect these observations further, we considered that microtubule disruption would impair
242 lysosome motility and/or lysosome fusion. To test this model, we quantified lysosome motility and
243 the ability of lysosomes to fuse with phagosomes. First, we conducted live-cell imaging over 3
244 and 6 min for RAW macrophages (Fig. 7A-C, Movies 1-6) and RPE cells (Fig. 7D-F, Movies 7-
245 13), respectively, treated with vehicle or ROS agents. Using these videos, we then extracted
246 lysosome speed, track length, and vectorial displacement as indicators of lysosome motility. To
247 our surprise, H₂O₂ was the only ROS agent that reduced lysosome speed, track length and vectorial
248 displacement in RAW and in RPE cells, with the strongest effect on the latter cell type (Fig. 7). To
249 understand whether microtubule stability was sufficient to impair lysosome coalescence or affect
250 lysosome motility, we performed a control experiment by treating RAW cells with paclitaxel, a
251 microtubule stabilizing agent [47]. However, paclitaxel did not impair lysosome coalescence

252 caused by apilimod and may actually enhance lysosome motility indicators (S4 Fig, Movies 14-
253 16), suggesting that H₂O₂ blocks apilimod-mediated lysosome enlargement via a distinct
254 mechanism, perhaps by displacing motors from lysosomes or impairing motor activity. If so, this
255 does not seem to occur by reducing the levels of GTP-Rab7 or Arl8b GTPase loaded onto
256 lysosomes as measured by imaging and membrane fractionation (S5 Fig).

257 Given the impaired lysosome motility caused by H₂O₂, we next sought to determine if H₂O₂
258 also hindered lysosome fusogenicity by examining phagosome-lysosome fusion as a model. RAW
259 cells were treated with H₂O₂ or vehicle for 1 h, followed by phagocytosis of bacteria for 20 min
260 and a chase period of 40 min to permit phagosome maturation. The degree of phagosome-lysosome
261 fusion was assessed by quantifying the amount of LAMP-1 fluorescent signal present on bacteria-
262 containing phagosomes. We observed that H₂O₂-treated RAW cells had less LAMP-1 fluorescence
263 signal localized to bacteria-containing phagosomes compared to vehicle-treated RAW
264 macrophages (Fig 8). This suggests that H₂O₂ impaired the ability of lysosomes to fuse with target
265 organelles, consistent with reduced lysosome motility. Overall, we propose that H₂O₂ prevents
266 lysosome coalescence during PIKfyve inhibition by impairing lysosome motility and the
267 probability of fusion with other organelles, including phagosomes or other lysosomes.

268 In comparison to H₂O₂, rotenone, MCB and CDNB did not impair measures of lysosome
269 motility in RAW macrophages or RPE cells (Fig 7A-C) at concentrations sufficient to block
270 apilimod-induced lysosome coalescence. Interestingly, nocadazole strongly impaired all measures
271 in RPE cells but had mild effects on RAW cells (Fig 7). This is likely because RAW macrophages
272 depolymerized for microtubules appeared to become rounder and taller, causing a wobbling
273 motion that moved lysosomes in bulk (see Supplemental Movies 1-6). In comparison, RPE cells
274 were flatter and more resistant to this oscillating effect (see Supplemental Movies 7-13). Given

275 that nocodazole in RPE cells hindered lysosome motility, but CDNB, MCB and rotenone had no
276 effect on lysosome motility measures in RPE cells, this suggests that rotenone, CDNB and MCB
277 only partially disrupt the microtubule system. Thus, the extent of microtubule depolymerization
278 caused by rotenone, CDNB and MCB is not sufficient to explain how these agents prevent
279 lysosome enlargement during apilimod treatment.

280 **ROS effects on lysosome membrane damage and Ca²⁺ release**

281 Given the above, we next assessed if and how ROS affected other lysosome properties. One
282 possibility is that ROS damage the membrane of lysosomes altering their dynamics. To test this,
283 we transfected RAW macrophages with galectin-3-GFP, which labels damaged lysosomes with
284 exposed luminal glycoproteins to the cytosol [48,49]. Strikingly, under the conditions used, H₂O₂
285 or rotenone did not induce a significantly higher number of galectin-3-GFP punctate relative to
286 vehicle-treated cells. As a positive control, we observed a much higher number of galectin-3-GFP
287 puncta in cells exposed to the lysosome damaging agent, LLMeO (Fig 9). Thus, we suspect that
288 membrane damage cannot account for the broad ROS-mediated prevention of lysosome
289 enlargement during PIKfyve inhibition.

290 We next considered if ROS could trigger release of lysosomal Ca²⁺, which in turn could
291 alter lysosome dynamics [25,50]. In fact, ROS have been connected to release of lysosomal Ca²⁺
292 via MCOLN1 [51]. To examine if lysosomal Ca²⁺ is released by ROS agents, we quantified the
293 lysosome-to-cytosol fluorescence ratio of Fluo4-AM, a Ca²⁺ sensor [52,53], in rotenone and H₂O₂-
294 treated cells. Whereas rotenone had no apparent effect in this ratio, we observed an increase in
295 cytosolic Ca²⁺ levels relative to lysosome in H₂O₂-treated cells (Fig. 10A, B). However, pre-
296 treating cells with BAPTA-AM did not affect basal lysosome number and volume, or block
297 apilimod-induced lysosome coalescence, nor did it alter H₂O₂ or rotenone prevention of lysosome

298 coalescence (Fig. 10C-F). Overall, the data suggest that the effects by ROS are not likely mediated
299 by Ca²⁺ or lysosome damage.

300 **Clathrin and dynamin are not required for ROS-induced lysosome** 301 **fragmentation**

302 Lysosomes and related organelles such as autolysosomes can assemble fission machinery,
303 including the canonical fission components, clathrin and dynamin [10,23,24,54]. We sought to
304 determine if ROS species like H₂O₂ stimulate clathrin and dynamin-2 to boost fission and prevent
305 lysosome coalescence during PIKfyve inhibition. First, we observed no changes in the levels of
306 lysosome-associated clathrin-eGFP in vehicle or apilimod-treated RPE cells. In comparison,
307 clathrin-eGFP was recruited at higher levels to lysosomes labelled with Alexa⁵⁴⁶-conjugated
308 dextran after H₂O₂ treatment in both the presence or absence of apilimod (S6A-B Fig). To
309 complement our observations, we treated RAW 264.7 cells with vehicle or H₂O₂, followed by
310 sucrose gradient ultracentrifugation to fractionate organelles and probed for clathrin and dynamin
311 by Western blotting. We saw a consistent increase in the level of clathrin and dynamin-2 to
312 LAMP1-positive lysosome fractions in cells treated with H₂O₂ relative to resting cells (S6C-E
313 Fig). To test whether this enhanced recruitment of clathrin and dynamin aided in lysosome
314 fragmentation during PIKfyve reactivation in the presence of H₂O₂, we inhibited clathrin and
315 dynamin with ikarugamycin and dyngo-4a, respectively [55,56]. Nevertheless, there was no
316 significant difference in the H₂O₂-mediated rescue of lysosome coalescence during PIKfyve
317 reactivation when clathrin or dynamin were arrested (Fig 11, S7 Fig). Similarly, there was no
318 difference in lysosome fragmentation during rotenone exposure when cells were incubated with
319 dyngo-4a (S7 Fig). Overall, while at least H₂O₂ seems to recruit clathrin and dynamin to lysosomes

320 (and perhaps other membranes), our data do not support a role for clathrin and dynamin in
321 preventing lysosome coalescence during PIKfyve inhibition under the used conditions.

322 **ROS prevents lysosome coalescence by actin depolymerization**

323 There is growing evidence that F-actin-based structures may regulate endosomal and lysosomal
324 fission, either through the action of acto-myosin constriction or the assembly of fission machinery
325 that remains to be fully defined [10,21,57]. In fact, work by Hong et al. suggests that PIKfyve
326 inhibition causes branched actin accumulation on endosomes; based on their markers used to
327 identify endosomes, lysosomes were likely included in their analysis [21]. We set to understand
328 if at least some ROS can prevent lysosome coalescence during PIKfyve inhibition by eliminating
329 these F-actin assemblies on lysosomes. Indeed, PtdIns(3,5)P₂ depletion increased the number of
330 F-actin puncta associated with lysosomes detectable by fluorescent-phalloidin staining (Fig 12A,
331 B), as previously reported [58,59]. Interestingly, co-administration of rotenone or CDNB with
332 apilimod reduced F-actin puncta associated with lysosomes (Fig 12A, B). These observations
333 indicate that ROS generated by rotenone and CDNB help prevent or reverse lysosome coalescence
334 during PIKfyve inhibition by boosting actin turnover on lysosomes.

335 To further test whether actin depolymerization helps prevent lysosome coalescence during
336 PIKfyve inhibition and accelerate lysosome fragmentation during PIKfyve inhibition, we
337 compared lysosome volumetrics in cells treated with the actin depolymerizing agents, cytochalasin
338 B or latrunculin A. We found that both cytochalasin B and latrunculin A treatments hindered
339 lysosome coalescence during apilimod treatment, as well as accelerated lysosome fragmentation
340 after apilimod removal and PIKfyve reactivation (Fig 12C-F). Collectively, our observations
341 suggest that at least certain types of ROS prevent lysosome coalescence during acute PIKfyve
342 inhibition by alleviating F-actin amassed on lysosomes, likely facilitating fission.

343

344 **Discussion**

345 Low PtdIns(3,5)P₂ levels causes multiple defects including impaired autophagic flux, nutrient
346 recycling, and phagosome resolution [10,27]. These defects are likely derived from the inability
347 of lysosomes to reform or separate after fusion with other lysosomes, late endosomes, phagosomes,
348 and autolysosomes [4,10,30,60,61]. As a corollary, lysosomes coalesce to become larger but fewer
349 [4,30]. Thus, identification of mechanisms or compounds that can drive lysosome fission may
350 prove useful to rescue autophagic flux, degradative capacity, and lysosome dynamics in cells
351 exhibiting reduced PtdIns(3,5)P₂ levels. Such mechanisms or compounds may act to up-regulate
352 PtdIns(3,5)P₂ levels in conditions of insufficient PIKfyve activity like those caused by null-
353 mutations in the Fig4 lipid phosphatase [29]. For example, the cyclin/cyclin-dependent kinase,
354 Pho80/Pho85, phosphorylates Fab1 to upregulate the levels of PtdIns(3,5)P₂ in response to
355 hypertonic shock, protecting yeast cells from osmotic shock [62,63]. Alternatively, activating
356 mechanisms downstream of PtdIns(3,5)P₂ that enable lysosome fission directly may also rescue
357 lysosome dynamics.

358 We previously observed that photo-toxicity during live-cell imaging with spinning disc
359 confocal microscopy prevented lysosome coalescence during apilimod-mediated PIKfyve
360 inhibition [30]. While unfortunately blunting our ability to perform high spatio-temporal resolution
361 of lysosome enlargement by live-cell imaging, we questioned if other sources of ROS could also
362 prevent lysosome coalescence during PIKfyve inhibition. Indeed, we provide evidence here that
363 ROS generated by diverse approaches can counteract and even reverse lysosome coalescence
364 during PIKfyve inhibition. Notably, neither H₂O₂ or rotenone rescued lysosome size by up-
365 regulating the levels of PtdIns(3,5)P₂. This suggests that ROS counteract lysosome coalescence by

366 acting downstream of PtdIns(3,5)P₂, or by stimulating parallel processes that promote lysosome
367 fission or impair lysosome fusion. Notably, ROS agents alone did not appreciably alter basal
368 lysosome properties like lysosome size and number. This may partially relate to resolution limit
369 of light microscopy as we estimate the radius of intact lysosomes to be 0.7 μm, or due to physical
370 constraints of lysosomes that prevent smaller average lysosome size, or perhaps because the
371 mechanisms responsible for basal lysosome dynamics are insensitive to ROS effects. Collectively,
372 our work suggests that ROS prevent lysosome enlargement during PIKfyve inhibition, but exact
373 mode of action may depend on ROS type, and/or mode of production, and/or location since H₂O₂
374 had distinct effects from those by CDNB/auranofin, MCB and rotenone.

375 We previously showed that disrupting the microtubule system with nocodazole or
376 impairing motor proteins abated lysosome coalescence during PIKfyve inhibition [30]. Thus, we
377 explored whether ROS agents disrupted lysosome motility, which would impair fusogenicity. We
378 observed that only H₂O₂ significantly arrested lysosome motility and reduced fusogenicity. In
379 addition, we also saw a more defined microtubule network in H₂O₂-treated cells, suggesting that
380 microtubules were stabilized by H₂O₂. Whether this effect is generalizable is debatable since there
381 are contradictory observations about the effect of H₂O₂ on the microtubule system, which may
382 depend on cell type and experimental conditions employed [64–66]. Regardless, microtubule
383 stabilization is not sufficient to impair lysosome motility since paclitaxel did not prevent lysosome
384 enlargement caused by apilimod or impair lysosome motility. Thus, we propose that H₂O₂ impairs
385 lysosome motility by disrupting motor activity, and/or impairing motor interactions with
386 lysosomes and/or microtubules. Mitochondria may offer some insight since their motility was also
387 arrested by H₂O₂ [65]. H₂O₂ stimulated p38α MAPK, which then interrupted motor adaptor
388 complex function. Motors themselves retained their activity since forced anchorage of kinesin to

389 mitochondria maintained mitochondrial motility in the presence of H₂O₂ [65]. Thus, H₂O₂ may
390 disrupt kinesin and/or dynein adaptors like RILP-ORP1L-dynein or SKIP-kinesin, though our
391 work suggests that this is not likely occurring by altering GTP-Rab7 and Arl8b loading onto
392 lysosomes.

393 In comparison to H₂O₂, ROS produced by mitochondrial uncoupling (rotenone) or amassed
394 by disrupting catalase and thioredoxin (MCB and CDNB/auranofin) partially depolymerized the
395 microtubule system under the employed conditions, though not sufficiently enough to hinder
396 lysosome motility. Instead, these agents may prevent overt lysosome coalescence by releasing a
397 dense F-actin network that assembles on lysosomes during PIKfyve inhibition. Consistent with
398 this, actin depolymerizers also reduced lysosome coalescence during acute PIKfyve inhibition and
399 accelerated lysosome fragmentation during PIKfyve reactivation. These observations may be
400 consistent with those by Hong *et al.*, wherein PtdIns(3,5)P₂ modulates branched actin dynamics
401 on endosomes (markers apply to lysosomes as well) by regulating cortactin [21]. The authors
402 showed that PIKfyve inhibition increased actin density on endo/lysosomes, which consequently
403 impaired fission and caused enlargement [21]. Additionally, PIKfyve was recently shown to
404 modulate branched F-actin to help drive melanosome maturation [58]. Indeed, branched F-actin
405 has emerged as a major player in membrane fission for endo/lysosomes nucleated by ER-
406 endo/lysosomes contact sites [67,68]. Thus, we propose that ROS generated by rotenone,
407 CDNB/auranofin, and perhaps MCB, may abate lysosome coalescence by relieving dense F-actin
408 networks that form on lysosomes during PIKfyve inhibition.

409 While oxidative stress in cells can hinder lysosome coalescence during PIKfyve inhibition
410 and accelerate lysosome fragmentation during PIKfyve reactivation, the exact mechanisms of
411 action depends on the type of ROS and/or mode of production. Of the treatments we employed,

412 H₂O₂ was able to produce cytosolic and mitochondrial superoxide O₂⁻ and OH[•] radicals, but no
413 detectable levels of singlet O₂ (Fig 1); likely, the ROS generated was delocalized as well. In
414 comparison, rotenone and CDNB released singlet O₂, while rotenone also released mitochondrial
415 superoxide and singlet O₂; neither treatment appeared to produce OH[•] radicals (Fig. 1). We
416 propose that the likely delocalized release of ROS and OH[•] generated by H₂O₂ may stabilize
417 microtubules and impair motor dynamics, which then impinges on lysosome dynamics [69–71].
418 In comparison, mitochondrial O₂⁻ and singlet O₂ increases turnover of the lysosomal F-actin
419 network to shift lysosome dynamics towards fission. While we could not detect specific ROS in
420 MCB, MCB interacts with GSH and with thiol residues of other enzymes such as thioredoxin
421 reductase, leading to increased O₂⁻ production [41,70,72]. Overall, future work should aim to better
422 delineate the type of ROS and their exact target that alter lysosome dynamics. Moreover, since
423 ROS can serve as physiological signals [37,73], it is tempting to suggest that particular ROS may
424 play a role in coordinating localized processes like membrane fusion, motor activity, and
425 membrane fission. This process or the sensors engaged by ROS may represent approaches to
426 rescue lysosome dynamics in conditions of PtdIns(3,5)P₂ insufficiency.

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428 **Materials and Methods**

429 **Cell culture, plasmids, and transfection**

430 RAW 264.7 macrophages and HeLa cells were grown in Dulbecco's Modified Eagle Medium
431 (DMEM; Wisent, St Bruno, QC) supplemented with 5% heat-inactivated fetal bovine serum (FBS;
432 Wisent). ARPE-1 (RPE) cells stably expressing clathrin light chain-eGFP were grown in
433 DMEM/F12 medium (Gibco) supplemented with 10% FBS [74]. All cells were grown at 5% CO₂

434 and 37 °C and routinely checked for contamination. FuGene HD (Promega, Madison, WI) was
435 used for transient transfections following manufacturer's instructions with a ratio of 3:1 FuGene
436 HD transfection reagent (μ l) to DNA (μ g). The transfection mixture was replaced with fresh
437 complete medium 4-5 h post-transfection and cells were used 24 h following transfection. RAW
438 cells were transfected with plasmids expressing Rab7-RILPC33-GFP (RILPC33-GFP), or wild-
439 type Arl8b-GFP (Arl8bWT-GFP), previously described in [13,75], or Galectin-3-GFP (Addgene;
440 [48]). The bacterial expression vector pZsGreen (Takara Bio USA, Inc., formerly Clontech
441 Laboratories, Inc., 632446) was transformed into E. coli DH5 α to generate ZsGreen-expressing
442 bacteria.

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444 **Pharmacological treatment of cells**

445 Apilimod (Toronto Research Chemicals, Toronto, ON) was used at 20 nM for 40 min, unless
446 otherwise indicated, to deplete cellular PtdIns(3,5)P₂. H₂O₂ (Bio Basic, Markham, ON) was used
447 as indicated. Rotenone, 1-chloro-2,4,-dinitrobenzene (CDNB), auranofin, and
448 monochlorobimane (MCB; Sigma-Aldrich, all from Sigma-Aldrich, Oakville, ON) were used as
449 indicated to generate ROS by respectively inhibiting mitochondrial respiratory chain complex,
450 glutathione, or thioredoxin reductase (CDNB and auranofin). Bovine liver catalase (Sigma-
451 Aldrich) and N-acetyl-L-cysteine (NAC) (Bio Basic) were used as anti-oxidants. Paclitaxel and
452 nocadazole (both from Sigma-Aldrich) were used at 1 or 10 μ M and 5 or 10 μ M to stabilize and
453 depolymerize microtubules, respectively. Latrunculin A (Abcam, Toronto, ON) and cytochalasin
454 D (EMD Millipore, Toronto, ON) were used at 1 μ M and 5 μ M, respectively to depolymerize
455 actin. Ikarugamycin (Sigma-Aldrich) and dyngo-4A (Abcam, Cambridge, MA) used to inhibit
456 clathrin and dynamin respectively. BAPTA-AM (Sigma-Aldrich) was used to chelate intracellular

457 calcium and Fluo4-AM (ThermoFisher, Burlington, ON) was used as a fluorescent Ca²⁺ probe. As
458 a positive control for lysosome damage, we treated cells for 2 h with 0.5 mM L-leucyl-L-leucine
459 methyl ester (LLOMe; L7393, Sigma-Aldrich).

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461 **Lysosome labelling**

462 Lysosomes were labelled by incubating cells with 200 µg/mL Alexa⁵⁴⁶-conjugated dextran or with
463 200 µg/mL Alexa⁴⁸⁸-conjugated dextran (Thermo Fisher Scientific, Mississauga, ON) or with 2.5
464 mg/mL Lucifer yellow (Thermo Fisher Scientific, Mississauga, ON) for 2 h in complete media at
465 37 °C in 5% CO₂. Cells washed with phosphate-buffered saline (PBS) and resupplied with
466 complete cell-specific media for 1 h to chase the fluid-phase marker to lysosomes before
467 pharmacological manipulation and live-cell imaging. We note that we use “lysosomes” to
468 represent a potential mixture of late endosomes, lysosomes and endolysosomes (Bright et al., 1997;
469 Choy et al., 2018). Lysosomal calcium was labelled with Fluo-4AM 8 µM by pulsing for 45 min
470 in complete media at 37 °C in 5% CO₂, followed by washing with PBS and addition of complete
471 media for 45 min to chase the marker to lysosomes.

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473 **Live- and fixed-cell spinning disc confocal microscopy**

474 Microscopy and imaging were done with a Quorum Diskovery spinning disc confocal microscope
475 system equipped with a Leica DMI8 microscope connected to an iXON 897 EMCCD camera,
476 controlled by Quorum Wave FX powered by MetaMorph software, using 63x 1.4 NA oil-
477 immersion objective (Quorum Technologies, Guelph, ON). Live-cell imaging was performed
478 using environmental chamber set to 5% CO₂ and 37 °C in complete cell-specific medium. Standard
479 excitation and emission filter sets and lasers were used for all fluorophores. RAW and HeLa cells,

480 unless otherwise indicated, were imaged as z-projections of 45-55 z-planes with 0.3 μm distance
481 between each plane, or 20-30 z-planes with 0.3 μm distance between each plane for RPE cells, as
482 acquired by spinning disc confocal microscopy. For time-lapse imaging, RAW cells were imaged
483 using single, mid-section z-plane every 4 s for 3 min. RPE cells were imaged using single, mid-
484 section z-plane every 8 s for 6 min. Clathrin-eGFP expressing RPE cells were imaged every 2 min
485 for 40 min.

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487 **Detection of ROS production**

488 For determining intracellular net ROS production, we incubated RAW 264.7 macrophages with 5
489 μM of the cell-permeable redox sensitive dye, CellROX Green (Thermo Fisher Scientific), for 30
490 min at 37 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ with 5% CO_2 in the dark during treatment with various ROS producing agents.
491 Cells were washed twice with PBS followed by replenishment with complete media and
492 imaging. To detect specific intracellular ROS, we used several probes: hydroxylphenyl
493 fluorescein to detect hydroxyl radical and peroxynitrite (HPF; Thermo Fisher Scientific),
494 MitoSOX Red for mitochondrial superoxide (Thermo Fisher Scientific), Biotracker Si-DMA for
495 singlet oxygen (Millipore Sigma), and ROS-ID detection kit (Enzo Life Sciences) for general
496 superoxide. After treatment with ROS inducers, cells were washed with PBS 3x before adding
497 these fluorescent probes. Cells were incubated with 5 μM MitoSOX Red for 10 min at 37 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ with
498 5% CO_2 in the dark, or 100 nM Si-DMA or 10 μM HPF for 45 minutes. For ROS-ID 0.06 nM
499 ROS-ID was added 1 h before, incubated at 37 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ with 5% CO_2 in the dark, followed by washing
500 with PBS and adding ROS inducers. After treatment with ROS probes or inducers, cells were

501 washed 3x PBS and supplemented with probe specific media. All experiments were imaged
502 using live-cell spinning disc confocal microscopy as described.

503 **Immunofluorescence and F-actin imaging**

504 Following experimentation, cells were fixed for 15 min with 4% (v/v) paraformaldehyde in PBS,
505 permeabilized for 10 min with 0.1% Triton X-100 (v/v) in PBS, and then blocked with 3% BSA
506 (v/v) in PBS. Subsequently, cells were incubated with mouse monoclonal antibody against α -
507 tubulin (1:200; Sigma-Aldrich), followed by incubation with donkey Dylight-conjugated
508 polyclonal antibody against mouse IgG (1:1000; Bethyl), and samples were then mounted in Dako
509 mounting media for subsequent imaging. Alternatively, lysosomes were labelled with Alexa⁴⁸⁸-
510 conjugated dextran as before, followed by fixation for 15 min with 4% (v/v) paraformaldehyde,
511 permeabilized for 10 min with 10 μ g/ml digitonin (Promega, Madison, WI), and blocked with 3%
512 BSA (v/v), all solutions in PBS. Cells were then stained for F-actin with fluorescent-phalloidin
513 (ThermoFisher Scientific).

514 **Lysosome damage detected by galectin-3-GFP**

515 RAW cells were seeded in DMEM supplemented with 5% FBS for 24 h at 37 °C in 5% CO₂. Cells
516 were transfected with Galectin-3-GFP plasmid (0.5 μ g) using FuGene HD (Promega, Madison,
517 WI) with a ratio of 3:1 for 24 h at 37 °C in 5% CO₂. Post-transfection, cells were treated with 1
518 mM H₂O₂ for 40 min, 1 μ M rotenone for 60 min or for 2 h with 0.5 mM L-leucyl-L-leucine methyl
519 ester (LLOMe; L7393, Sigma-Aldrich).

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521 **Image analysis**

522 To determine lysosome number, individual lysosome volume and total cellular lysosome volume,
523 we used Volocity (Volocity 6.3.0) particle detection and volumetric tools. Z-stack images were
524 imported into Volocity and a signal threshold was applied at 2x the average cytosolic fluorescence
525 intensity. Particles were defined as being greater than $0.3 \mu\text{m}^3$ for inclusion into the analysis, and
526 if necessary, a watershed function was applied to split lysosome aggregates caused by
527 thresholding. Regions of interest were drawn surrounding individual cells for cell-to-cell analysis.
528 Lysosome speed, track length, and displacement were assessed using Imaris (BitPlane, Concord,
529 MA) with 'ImarisTrackLineage' module.

530 To determine the level of membrane-bound RILP-C33 and Arl8b, we estimated the
531 membrane-bound to cytosolic ratio of fluorescently-tagged proteins. Using ImageJ, lines that were
532 3-pixel wide by 20-40-pixel long were assigned to areas of transfected cells using a predetermined
533 grid to avoid bias but excluding the nucleus. Plot profiles were then obtained, exported into an
534 Excel spreadsheet, values were arranged according to fluorescence intensity, and the ratio
535 calculated for highest 10 pixels over lowest 10 pixels along the length of the line (F_H/F_L
536 fluorescence ratio); the expectation is that values approximate to 1 represent low membrane signal
537 due to mostly cytosolic signal, while ratio values greater than 1 represent signal that localizes to
538 punctate structures relative to cytosol (Chintaluri et al., 2018).

539 For determination of clathrin-GFP on lysosomes, RPE cells stably expressing clathrin
540 heavy chain-eGFP were loaded with Alexa⁵⁴⁶-conjugated dextran and treated with apilimod,
541 followed by imaging with spinning disc confocal microscope. Image analysis was performed
542 using ImageJ by thresholding Alexa⁵⁴⁶-conjugated dextran signal and generating a mask, which
543 was then applied to the green (clathrin) channel to determine the GFP fluorescence intensity on
544 regions marked by dextran signal. Regions of interest within the cytosol and the extracellular

545 space were drawn to respectively obtain mean cytosolic fluorescence intensity and background.
546 These values were then used to calculate the ratio of lysosome-to-cytosol clathrin-eGFP. Similar
547 approach was employed to determine Fluo-4AM intensity for dextran Alexa⁵⁴⁶ lysosomal
548 structures over cytosolic Fluo-4AM to obtain lysosome-to-cytosol Fluo-4AM intensity ratio. To
549 determine the fluorescence of intracellular CellROX Green or other ROS probes, images were
550 imported onto Volocity (Volocity 6.3.0) or ImageJ, regions of interest were drawn around cell,
551 and mean fluorescence intensity per cell was recorded and background-corrected. For galectin-3-
552 GFP analysis, images were imported into ImageJ, background-corrected, and then thresholding
553 was applied to each individual transfected cell (25-30 cells per condition) to identify galectin-3-
554 GFP puncta. Particles ranging between 50-1000 μm^2 were then counted, with the assumption that
555 smaller size particles corresponded to noise.

556 To assess microtubule structure, we sought to use several measures as proxies for
557 microtubule alteration under different treatments. Single-plane images were converted to 8-bit
558 images through ImageJ followed by application of fluorescence intensity threshold to select
559 microtubules. Images were converted to binary and filaments analyzed through “skeleton” and
560 “Analyzeskeleton”. Total number of microtubules junctions, where junctions represent
561 filamentous pixels from where two or more microtubule branches arise, total number of
562 microtubule branches and average microtubule branch length were scored and collected for data
563 analysis. Alternatively, RPE cell microtubule structure was analyzed through applying binary filter
564 to fluorescent microtubules, followed by watershed segmentation to segregate microtubules into
565 areas of tubulin patches with the expectation that depolymerized microtubules pool into large
566 patches compared to intact tubulin.

567 Image contrast enhancement was performed with Adobe Photoshop CS (Adobe Systems,
568 San Jose, CA) or ImageJ without changing relative signals and applied after quantification. Adobe
569 Illustrator CS (Adobe Systems) was used for constructing figures.

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571 **Lysosome fractionation**

572 RAW 264.7 cells were grown and used according to manufacturer's instructions to obtain
573 membrane fractions by differential sedimentation ultracentrifugation using a density gradient
574 (Lysosome Isolation Kit, Sigma-Aldrich, LYSIS01). Briefly, cells were lysed and homogenates
575 centrifuged 1,000 xg for 10 min at 4 °C to separate unbroken cells and debris from cytoplasmic
576 membranes. The supernatant was further centrifuged at 20,000 xg for 20 min at 4 °C to pellet
577 lysosomes and other organelles. The pellet was reconstituted with Optiprep density gradient
578 medium (60% (w/v) solution of iodixanol in water and sucrose) and loaded onto of a step-wise
579 sucrose gradient as described by the manufacturer and subjected to ultracentrifugation at 150,000
580 xg for 4 h at 4 °C using SW50.1 rotor (Beckman Coulter, Mississauga, ON). Fractions were then
581 collected and subject to denaturation with Laemmli buffer until further use.

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583 **Membrane fractionation**

584 RAW cells were lysed in 200 μ l ice cold homogenization buffer (3 mM imidazole, 250 mM
585 sucrose, 0.5 mM EDTA, pH 7.4 with protease inhibitor cocktail). Cells were homogenized by
586 passing 10x through a 25-gauge needle, then lysates were sequentially centrifuged at 3000 xg for
587 10 min at 4 °C and 7,000 xg for 10 min at 4°C to clear supernatants. Supernatants were then
588 further centrifuged at 100,000 xg using SORVALL wX+ULTRA-centrifuge (Thermo Scientific)
589 for 30 min at 4°C to separate cytosol and membranes. Next, the pellets were resuspended in 0.5%

590 digitonin in solubilization buffer (50 mM NaCl, 50 mM imidazole, 2.5 mM 6-aminohexanoic acid,
591 2 mM EDTA, pH ~7) to obtain membrane-bound materials.

592 **Western Blotting**

593 For whole-cell lysates in 2x Laemmli buffer, cells were passed six times through 27-gauge needle,
594 heated. Cell lysates or cell fractions were resolved through SDS-PAGE with 10% acrylamide
595 resolving gel. Proteins were then transferred to a PVDF membrane, blocked and incubated with
596 primary and HRP-conjugated secondary antibodies in Tris-buffered saline containing 5% skimmed
597 milk and 0.1% Tween-20. Clarity enhanced chemiluminescence (Bio-Rad Laboratories,
598 Mississauga, ON) was used to visualize proteins with ChemiDoc Touch Imaging system (Bio-
599 Rad). Protein quantification was performed using Image Lab software (Bio-Rad) by sequentially
600 normalizing against a loading control and against vehicle-treated condition. We used rabbit
601 polyclonal antibodies against VAPB (1:3000, HPA013144, Sigma-Aldrich) and vinculin (1:1000,
602 4650, Cell Signalling Technologies), rabbit XP® monoclonal antibodies against Rab7 (1:100,
603 D95F2, Cell Signalling Technologies), mouse monoclonal antibodies against clathrin heavy chain
604 (1:500, sc-12734, Santa Cruz Biotechnology), Arl8a/b (1:500, clone H8, Santa Cruz
605 Biotechnology), and ATP5A (1:2000, ab14748, Abcam), rat monoclonal antibodies against
606 LAMP1 (1:200-1:500, 1D4B, Developmental Studies Hybridoma Bank, Iowa City, IO or Santa
607 Cruz Biotechnology), and goat polyclonal antibody against dynamin 2 (1:1000, sc-6400, Santa
608 Cruz Biotechnology). Secondary antibodies were raised in donkey (Bethyl) and HRP-conjugated.
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610 **Phosphoinositide labelling with ^3H -*myo*-inositol and HPLC-coupled**
611 **flow scintillation**

612 RAW cells were incubated for 24 h with inositol-free DMEM (MP Biomedica, CA) containing 10
613 $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ *myo*-[2- ^3H (N)] inositol (Perkin Elmer, MA), 1X insulin-transferrin-selenium-
614 ethanolamine (Gibco), 10% dialyzed FBS (Gibco), 4 mM L-glutamine (Sigma-Aldrich) and 20
615 mM HEPES (Gibco). Cells were then treated with rotenone, H_2O_2 and/or apilimod as indicated.
616 Cells were lysed and lipids precipitated with 600 μl of 4.5% perchloric acid (v/v) for 15 min on
617 ice, collected by scraping and pellet obtained at 12000 $\times g$ for 10 min. Then, 1 ml of 0.1 M EDTA
618 was used to wash pellets followed by resuspension in 50 μl water. This was followed by 500 μl of
619 methanol/40% methylamine/1-butanol [45.7% methanol: 10.7% methylamine: 11.4% 1-butanol
620 (v/v)] used for 50 min at 53 $^\circ\text{C}$ to deacylate phospholipids. Sample pellets were vacuum-dried and
621 washed twice in 300 μl water with vacuum-drying. Deacylated phospholipids were extracted from
622 dried sample pellets by resuspending pellet in 450 μl water and 300 μl 1-butanol/ethyl ether/ethyl
623 formate (20:4:1), vortexing 5 min, followed by centrifugation 12000 $\times g$ for 2 min and then the
624 bottom aqueous layer was collected. Extraction was performed three times followed by vacuum-
625 drying the aqueous layer and resuspending lipids in 50 μl water. For all treatment samples, equal
626 ^3H counts were loaded and separated by HPLC (Agilent Technologies, Mississauga, ON) through
627 4.6 x 250-mm anion exchange column (Phenomenex, Torrance, CA) using a 1 ml/min flow rate
628 with a gradient set with water (buffer A) and 1 M $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{HPO}_4$, pH 3.8 (phosphoric acid adjusted)
629 (buffer B) as follows: 0% B for 5 min, 0 to 2% B for 15 minutes, 2% B for 80 minutes, 2 to 10%
630 B for 20 minutes, 10% B for 30 minutes, 10 to 80% B for 10 minutes, 80% B for 5 minutes, 80 to
631 0% B for 5 minutes. Radiolabel signal was detected with a 1:2 ratio of eluate to scintillant
632 (LabLogic, Brandon, FL) in a β -RAM 4 (LabLogic) and analyzed by Laura 4 software. Each

633 phosphoinositide species detected was normalized against the parent phosphatidylinositol peak as
634 described in (Ho et al., 2016).

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636 **Phagocytosis particle preparation and phagosome maturation assays**

637 pZsGreen-containing bacteria were grown at 37 °C in Lysogeny Broth (LB), supplemented with
638 1% glucose to suppress leaky ZsGreen expression, and 100 µg/mL ampicillin (LB Growth Media).
639 To produce ZsGreen-expressing bacteria, bacteria cultures were grown overnight in liquid LB
640 Growth Media. The bacteria culture was then subcultured 1:100 in LB supplemented with
641 ampicillin and without glucose (LB Expression Media) and incubated at 37 °C to mid-log growth
642 phase. Isopropylthio-β-galactoside was added into the subculture to a final concentration of 100
643 µM, and the subculture was incubated for another 3 hours. Bacteria were washed with PBS, then
644 fixed with 4% PFA, and stored at 4 °C in PFA. Prior to use, fixed bacteria were washed with PBS
645 to remove PFA.

646 RAW macrophages at 30 to 60% confluence were treated with 1 mM H₂O₂ or 0.1% ddH₂O
647 (vehicle control) for 1 h. Subsequently, 8.0×10^7 bacteria (0.1 OD × 1 mL) were introduced to
648 macrophages and centrifuged at 400 x g for 5 minutes to synchronize phagocytosis. Macrophages
649 were incubated for 20 minutes in the presence of H₂O₂ or ddH₂O before washing with PBS and
650 incubating in media containing H₂O₂ or ddH₂O for 40 minutes. Except for PBS wash, macrophage
651 exposure to H₂O₂ was uninterrupted. Macrophages were washed with PBS then fixed with 4%
652 PFA. Cells were then incubated in 1% w/v glycine to quench PFA. Cells were then blocked with
653 1% Bovine Serum Albumin (BSA), then external bacteria were immunolabeled with rabbit anti-
654 *E. coli* antibodies (1:100, Bio-Rad Antibodies, 4329-4906), followed by DyLight 650-conjugated
655 donkey anti-rabbit IgG antibodies (1:1000, Bethyl Laboratories, Inc., A120-208D5). Cells were

656 then permeabilized with ice-cold methanol and blocked with 1% BSA. LAMP-1 lysosomal marker
657 protein was immunolabeled with rat anti-LAMP-1 antibodies (1:100, 1D4B, Developmental
658 Studies Hybridoma Bank, Iowa City, IO), followed by DyLight 550-conjugated donkey anti-rat
659 IgG antibodies (1:1000, Bethyl Laboratories, Inc., A110-337D3). Coverslips were mounted with
660 Dako Fluorescence Mounting Medium (Agilent, S302380-2) for imaging.

661 FIJI was used for image processing and quantitative image analysis of phagosome
662 maturation. Internal bacteria masks were produced by applying a subtraction mask using external
663 bacteria signal. “Noise” particles defined as being a few pixels in size were removed manually.
664 The internal bacteria mask was converted to binary and dilated to reach the edges of the
665 phagosomes (LAMP1 signal). LAMP-1 signal colocalized to the internal bacteria mask was
666 analyzed cell-by-cell, and the mean LAMP-1 fluorescence intensity per cell was obtained.

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668 **Statistical analysis**

669 All experiments were performed independently at least three times. Respective figure legends
670 indicate number of cells/samples assessed, mean, standard error of mean (s.e.m.) and number of
671 independent experiments. For analysing significant difference between various treatment groups,
672 we used unpaired Student’s t-test when comparing two groups only or one-way ANOVA test when
673 comparing multiple treatment conditions in non-normalized controls. Tukey’s *post hoc* test
674 coupled to ANOVA tests was used to evaluate pairwise conditions. Statistical significance was
675 defined as $P > 0.05$. Software used for analysis was GraphPad Prism 8.

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903 **Figure legends**

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905 **Figure 1: Different ROS inducers produce different ROS in RAW macrophages.** (A) RAW
906 cells were exposed to vehicle, or to one of the following ROS inducers – 1 mM H₂O₂ 40 min, 1
907 μM rotenone 60 min, 10 μM CDNB 30 min, or 5 μM MCB 30 min. Cells were then stained with
908 CellROX Green to detect and quantify the levels of ROS formed during these treatments.
909 Fluorescence micrographs represent single z-focal plane images from spinning disc confocal
910 microscopy. Scale bar = 20 μm. (B) Quantification of CellROX Green fluorescence intensity. C)
911 MCB-GSH adduct was also detected during vehicle or MCB treatment. Fluorescence
912 micrographs represent single z-focal plane images from spinning disc confocal microscopy.
913 Scale bar = 20 μm. (D) Quantification of MCB-GSH fluorescence intensity. E-H: Quantification
914 of ROS-specific probes, where HPF detects hydroxyl and perinitrite (E), Si-DMA detects singlet
915 oxygen (F), Mitosox detects mitochondrial superoxide (G), and ROS-ID detects cytoplasmic
916 superoxide (H). For each ROS probe, fluorescence was normalized against the respective vehicle
917 control. For all graphs, data are represented as mean ± S.E.M. from three independent
918 experiments with 40-50 cells assessed per treatment condition per experiment. One-way
919 ANOVA and Tukey's *post-hoc* test were used for (B, E-H), and an unpaired Student's t-test
920 performed for (D). * indicates p<0.05.

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923 **Figure 2. ROS agonists prevent lysosome enlargement during acute PIKfyve suppression.** A:
924 RAW cells pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and exposed to vehicle or 20 nM apilimod for 40 min.
925 These conditions were then supplemented with additional vehicle or 1 mM H₂O₂ for 40 min, 1 μM
926 rotenone for 60 min, 10 μM CDNB for 30 min, 5 μM MCB for 30 min or auranofin 10 μM for
927 120 min. Fluorescence micrographs are represented as z-projections of 45-55 z-plane images
928 obtained by spinning disc microscopy. Scale bar: 5 μm. B-D: Quantification of individual

929 lysosome volume (B), lysosome number per cell (C), and total lysosome volume per cell (D). Data
930 represent mean \pm S.E.M. from three independent experiments, with 25-30 cells assessed per
931 treatment condition per experiment. One-way ANOVA and Tukey's *post-hoc* test was used, where
932 * indicates statistical significance between indicated conditions ($p < 0.05$).

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934 **Figure 3. ROS scavengers permit lysosome coalescence during acute PIKfyve suppression.**

935 A: RAW cells pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and exposed to vehicle, or 0.5 μ M rotenone 60
936 min, or 10 mM N-acetyl-L-cysteine (NAC) 120 min alone, or in presence of 20 nM apilimod for
937 the last 40 min. Fluorescence micrographs are represented as z-projections of 45-55 z-plane images
938 obtained by spinning disc microscopy. Scale bar: 5 μ m. B-D: Quantification of individual
939 lysosome volume (B), lysosome number per cell (C), and total lysosome volume per cell (D). Data
940 represent mean \pm S.E.M. from three independent experiments, with 25-30 cells assessed per
941 treatment condition per experiment. One-way ANOVA and Tukey's *post-hoc* test was used, where
942 * indicates statistical significance between indicated conditions ($p < 0.05$).

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944 **Figure 4: ROS accelerate recovery of lysosome size and number upon PIKfyve reactivation.**

945 (A) Top two rows: RAW cells pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow were exposed to either vehicle, 1
946 mM H₂O₂ 40 min, 1 μ M rotenone 60 min, 10 μ M CDNB 30 min, or 5 μ M MCB 30 min. Bottom
947 two rows: alternatively, RAW cells were first treated with 20 nM apilimod for 60 min (0 h),
948 followed by apilimod removal and replenishment with complete media for 2 h in the presence of
949 vehicle, H₂O₂, rotenone, CDNB, or MCB at previously indicated concentrations. Fluorescence
950 micrographs are spinning disc microscopy images with 45-55 z-planes represented as z-
951 projections. Scale bar: 5 μ m. (B-D) Quantification of individual lysosome volume (B), lysosome

952 number per cell (C), and total lysosome volume per cell (D). Data are represented as mean \pm s.e.m.
953 from three independent experiments, with 25-30 cell assessed per treatment condition per
954 experiment. One-way ANOVA and Tukey's *post-hoc* test used for B-D, where * indicates
955 statistically significant difference between control conditions ($P < 0.05$).

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958 **Figure 5: Apilimod integrity and PtdIns(3,5)P₂ levels are not altered by ROS.** (A) RAW cells
959 pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow. Following reactions were performed in complete media in vitro
960 for designated time, prior to adding to cells for an additional 40 min: vehicle; 1 mM H₂O₂ 40 min;
961 20 nM apilimod 40 min; 20 nM apilimod preincubated with 1 mM H₂O₂ for 40 min; 20 nM
962 apilimod preincubated with 0.5 mg/L catalase for 60 min; 1 mM H₂O₂ exposed to 0.5 mg/L catalase
963 for 60 min to neutralize H₂O₂, followed by 20 nM apilimod 40 min; or 20 nM apilimod exposed
964 to 1 mM H₂O₂ for 40 min to test whether H₂O₂ degraded apilimod, followed by 0.5 mg/L catalase
965 for 60 min to degrade H₂O₂. Fluorescence micrographs are spinning disc microscopy images with
966 45-55 z-planes represented as z-projections. Scale bar: 5 μ m. (B-D) Quantification of individual
967 lysosome volume (B), lysosome number per cell (C), and total lysosome volume per cell (D). AP
968 (apilimod), CAT (catalase). Data are shown as mean \pm s.e.m. from three independent experiments,
969 with 25-30 cell assessed per treatment condition per experiment. One-way ANOVA and Tukey's
970 *post-hoc* test used for B-D; * indicates statistical difference against control condition ($P < 0.05$). (E-
971 F) ³H-*myo*-inositol incorporation followed by HPLC-coupled flow scintillation used to determine
972 PtdIns(3)P and PtdIns(3,5)P₂ levels from RAW cells exposed to vehicle alone, or 1 mM H₂O₂ 40
973 min (E), or 1 μ M rotenone 60 min (F), in presence or absence of 20 nM apilimod. Data represent

974 \pm s.d. from three independent experiments. One-way ANOVA and Tukey's *post-hoc* test used for
975 E-F; * indicates statistical difference against control condition ($P < 0.05$).

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977 **Figure 6. ROS agents differentially affect the microtubule system.** Representative single z-
978 focal plane immunofluorescence micrographs of RAW cells (A) or RPE cells (E) treated with
979 vehicle, H₂O₂, rotenone, CDNB or MCB at previously used time periods and at the indicated
980 concentrations. After treatment with ROS agents, cells were fixed and immunostained with anti-
981 α -tubulin antibodies. Quantification of number of microtubule junctions per cell, number of
982 microtubule branches per cell and average microtubule branch length respectively for RAW cells
983 (B-D) and RPE cells (F-H), and patch area in RPE cells (I). Data are represented as mean \pm SEM
984 from three independent experiments, with 50-70 cells assessed per treatment per experiment for
985 RAW cells (A-D) and 15-20 cells assessed per treatment per experiment for RPE cells (E-I). One-
986 way ANOVA and Tukey's *post-hoc* test used for B-D and F-I, where * indicates statistically
987 significant difference between control conditions ($P < 0.05$). Scale bar: 10 μ m (A) or 20 μ m (E).

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989 **Figure 7: Distinct ROS agents differentially impact lysosome motility.** RAW cells (A-C,
990 Movies 1-6) or RPE cells (D-F, Movies 7-13) were pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and exposed
991 to either vehicle, 1 mM H₂O₂ 40 min, 1 μ M rotenone 60 min, 10 μ M CDNB 30 min, 5 μ M MCB
992 30 min, or 5 μ M or 10 μ M nocodazole for 60 min. Live-cell spinning disc confocal microscopy
993 was performed at a single, mid-cell z-focal plane once every 4 sec for 3 min for RAW cells or
994 every 8 sec for 6 min for RPE cells. Quantification of lysosome speed (A, D), lysosome track
995 length (B, E), and lysosome displacement (C,F) for RAW cells (A-C) or RPE cells (D-F). Data are
996 represented as mean \pm s.d. from three independent experiments. One-way ANOVA and Tukey's

997 *post-hoc* test used for B-D, where * indicates $P < 0.05$ between indicated conditions and control.
998 Supplemental Movies 1-13 are representative of the live-cell imaging from which shown data was
999 derived from.

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1001 **Figure 8: H₂O₂ hinders phagosome-lysosome fusion.** (A) RAW cells were treated with H₂O₂ or
1002 vehicle (H₂O) for 1h before introducing ZsGreen-expressed *E. coli* (green). RAW cells were
1003 incubated for 20 minutes in the presence of bacteria and H₂O₂ or vehicle, then RAW cells were
1004 washed with PBS, and further incubated in media containing H₂O₂ or vehicle for an additional 40
1005 minutes. External bacteria were labeled with rabbit anti-*E. coli* antibodies (blue) and were
1006 excluded from analysis using a mask. LAMP-1 was labeled with rat anti-LAMP-1 antibodies (red).
1007 (B) Quantification of mean LAMP-1 intensity on bacteria-containing phagosomes. LAMP-1
1008 intensities were quantified from regions that co-localized to internal bacteria (green signal and no
1009 blue signal). Data represented as a scatter plot, where each dot is an individual phagosome from n
1010 = 144 to 179 cells across all independent experiments and conditions. Mean \pm standard deviation
1011 from three independent experiments is indicated as well. Data analyzed with two-tailed unpaired
1012 t-test (* indicates $p < 0.05$).

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1014 **Figure 9: H₂O₂ and rotenone do not induce lysosome damage as detected by galectin-3 puncta.**
1015 (A). Macrophages expressing galectin-3-GFP were labelled with Alexa546-conjugated dextran
1016 and then exposed to vehicle, rotenone, or H₂O₂ for ~ 1 h, or with LLOMe for 2 h as a positive
1017 control. Live-cell imaging was done by spinning disc confocal. Scale bar = 10 μ m. (B) Mean
1018 number of galectin-3-GFP puncta per cell based on 25-30 cells per condition per experiment from

1019 n=3 independent experiments. One-way ANOVA and Tukey's *post-hoc* test was used, where *
1020 indicates $P < 0.05$ in relation to vehicle condition and ns indicates not significant.

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1022 **Figure 10: ROS regulate lysosome coalescence independently of Ca^{2+} .** (A) RAW cells were
1023 pre-labelled with Alexa546-conjugated dextran, followed by labelling with the Ca^{2+} sensor, Fluo4-
1024 AM. Cells were treated with vehicle, or 1 mM H_2O_2 for 40 min, or 1 μM rotenone for 60 min.
1025 Fluorescence micrographs represent single z-plane images obtained by spinning disc microscopy.
1026 Scale bar: 5 μm . (B) Ratio of Fluo4-AM fluorescence intensities associated with Alexa⁵⁴⁶-
1027 conjugated dextran and cytosol. Data are represented as mean \pm SEM from three independent
1028 experiments, with 20-25 cells assessed per treatment per experiment. Two-way ANOVA and
1029 Tukey's *post-hoc* test were used for (B), where * indicates $P < 0.05$ against control conditions. (C)
1030 RAW cells were pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and exposed to either vehicle, 1 mM H_2O_2 for
1031 40 min, 1 μM rotenone for 60 min, or 50 μM BAPTA-AM for 70 min, with or without 20 nM
1032 apilimod. Additionally, cells were co-treated with BAPTA-AM and H_2O_2 or BAPTA-AM and
1033 rotenone, before adding apilimod. Fluorescence micrographs are spinning disc microscopy images
1034 with 45-55 z-planes represented as z-projections. Scale bar: 5 μm . (D-F) Quantification of
1035 individual lysosome volume (D), lysosome number per cell (E), and total lysosome volume per
1036 cell (F). Data is illustrated as mean \pm SEM from three independent experiments, with 25-30 cell
1037 assessed per condition per experiment. One-way ANOVA and Tukey's *post-hoc* test used for B-
1038 D with * $P < 0.05$ compared to indicated control conditions.

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1040 **Figure 11: Clathrin inhibition does not arrest ROS-mediated lysosome fragmentation during**
1041 **PIKfyve reactivation.** (A) RAW cells were pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and exposed to either

1042 vehicle alone, 1 mM H₂O₂ for 40 min, 1 μM ikarugamycin for 1 h, or 20 nM apilimod for 60 min.
1043 For a subgroup of cells treated with apilimod, drug was replaced with fresh media containing either
1044 vehicle, 1 mM H₂O₂, 1 μM ikarugamycin, or 1 mM H₂O₂ and 1 μM ikarugamycin for 2 h.
1045 Fluorescence micrographs are spinning disc microscopy images with 45-55 z-planes represented
1046 as z-projections. Scale bar: 5 μm. (B-D) Quantification of individual lysosome volume (B),
1047 lysosome number per cell (C), and total lysosome volume per cell (D). Data are shown as mean ±
1048 s.e.m. from three independent experiments, with 25-30 cell assessed per treatment condition per
1049 experiment. One-way ANOVA and Tukey's *post-hoc* test used for B-D, where * indicates $P < 0.05$
1050 between experimental and control conditions.

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1052 **Figure 12: ROS promote actin clearance from lysosomes and actin depolymerization abates**
1053 **lysosomes coalescence during PIKfyve inhibition.** (A) RAW cells pre-labelled with Alexa⁴⁸⁸-
1054 conjugated dextran followed by treatment with vehicle, 20 nM apilimod for 40 min alone, or in
1055 presence of 10 μM CDNB for 30 min or 1 μM rotenone for 60 min. Cells were fixed with 4% PFA
1056 and stained for actin with phalloidin. Fluorescence micrographs were captured by spinning disc
1057 confocal as single z-planes. The inset is a magnified portion of field of view tracking Alexa⁴⁸⁸-
1058 conjugated dextran lysosome(s), phalloidin-stained actin, and as merged channels. Scale bar: 2
1059 μm. (B) Cells were assessed for number of actin puncta structures associated with lysosomes. Data
1060 represent mean ± S.E.M. from three independent experiments, with 60-80 cells assessed per
1061 treatment condition across three experiments. One-way ANOVA and Tukey's *post-hoc* test was
1062 used, where * indicates statistical significance between indicated conditions ($p < 0.05$). (C) RAW
1063 cells were pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and exposed to vehicle or 20 nM apilimod for 1 h,
1064 followed by apilimod removal at 0 or 2 h. These conditions were then supplemented with

1065 additional vehicle or 1 μ M latrunculin A or 5 μ M cytochalasin B for 1 h. Fluorescence micrographs
1066 are represented as z-projections of 45-55 z-plane images obtained by spinning disc confocal
1067 microscopy. Scale bar: 5 μ m. D-F: Quantification of individual lysosome volume (D), lysosome
1068 number per cell (E), and total lysosome volume per cell (F). Data represent mean \pm S.E.M. from
1069 three independent experiments, with 25-30 cells assessed per treatment condition per experiment.
1070 One-way ANOVA and Tukey's *post-hoc* test was used, where * indicates statistical significance
1071 between indicated conditions ($p < 0.05$).

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1073 **Supplemental Materials**

1074 **Supplemental Figure S1: Lower H₂O₂ concentration prevents apilimod induced lysosome**
1075 **coalescence.** (A) RAW cells were pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and exposed to either vehicle,
1076 100 μ M H₂O₂ for 40 min in presence or absence of 1 nM or 5 nM apilimod 40 min. Scale bar: 5
1077 μ m. (B-D) Quantification of individual lysosome volume (B), lysosome number per cell (C), and
1078 total lysosome volume per cell (D). Data are illustrated as mean \pm SEM from three independent
1079 experiments, with 25-30 cell assessed per condition per experiment. One-way ANOVA and
1080 Tukey's *post-hoc* test was used, where * indicates $P < 0.05$ for the indicated conditions.

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1082 **Supplemental Figure S2: ROS prevent lysosome enlargement during acute PIKfyve**
1083 **suppression in HeLa and RPE cells.** (A) HeLa cells pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and exposed
1084 to vehicle or 100 nM apilimod 40 min, or with 1 mM H₂O₂ in the presence or absence of 100 nM
1085 apilimod for 40 min. Scale bar: 10 μ m. (B-D) Quantification of individual lysosome volume per
1086 lysosome (B), lysosome number per cell (C), and total lysosome volume per cell (D). (E) RPE
1087 cells pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and exposed to vehicle, or 1 mM H₂O₂, or 10 μ M CDNB,

1088 in presence or absence of 200 nM apilimod 40 min. Scale bar: 20 μ m. (F-H) Quantification of
1089 individual lysosome volume (F), lysosome number per cell (G), and sum lysosome volume per
1090 cell (H). For (B-D) and (F-H), data are represented as mean \pm SEM. from three independent
1091 experiments, with 25-30 cells assessed for (B-D) and 15-20 cells assessed for (F-H) per treatment
1092 condition per experiment. One-way ANOVA and Tukey's *post-hoc* test used with * P <0.05
1093 compared to indicated control conditions.

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1095 **Supplemental Figure S3: Quantification and validation of microtubule morphology by image**

1096 **analysis.** Single z-focal plane immunofluorescence micrographs of RAW cells (A) or RPE cells
1097 (E) treated with vehicle, H₂O₂ or rotenone. After treatment with ROS agents, cells were fixed and
1098 immunostained with anti- α -tubulin antibodies. Cells were analyzed for their microtubule
1099 morphology using the ImageJ "skeleton" plugin, converting images into binary "skeleton"
1100 micrographs. Quantification of number of microtubule junctions per cell, number of microtubule
1101 branches per cell and average microtubule branch length for RAW cells (B-D) and RPE cells (F-
1102 H). RPE cells were also analyzed for maximum microtubule patch area per cell (I) through ImageJ
1103 using binary filter and watershed segmentation. Data are represented as mean \pm SD from 5
1104 different fields of view for RAW cells or 10 different fields of view for RPE cell, with 50-70 cells
1105 assessed per treatment condition for RAW cells (A-D) and 15-20 cells assessed per treatment
1106 condition for RPE cells (E-H). One-way ANOVA and Tukey's *post-hoc* test used for B-D and F-
1107 H, where * indicates statistically significant difference between control conditions (P <0.05). Scale
1108 bar: 20 μ m (A, E).

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1110 **Supplemental Figure S4: Increased microtubule stability does not affect lysosome motility**
1111 **or lysosome coalescence during PIKfyve inhibition.** (A) RAW cells pre-labelled with Lucifer
1112 yellow were exposed to either vehicle, or 1 μ M or 10 μ M paclitaxel for 60 min in presence or
1113 absence of 20 nM apilimod for the remaining 40 min. Scale bar: 5 μ m. (B-D) Quantification of
1114 individual lysosome volume (B), lysosome number per cell (C), and total lysosome volume per
1115 cell (D). Data are represented as mean \pm s.e.m. from three independent experiments, with 25-30
1116 cell assessed for (B-D) per treatment condition per experiment. (E-G) RAW cells pre-labelled with
1117 Lucifer yellow were exposed to vehicle or 1 μ M or 10 μ M paclitaxel 60 min. Live cell spinning
1118 disc confocal microscopy was performed at single z-focal plane once every 4 sec for 3 min.
1119 Quantification of lysosome speed (E), lysosome displacement (F), and lysosome track length (G)
1120 are shown. Data are represented as mean \pm s.d. from three independent experiments. One-way
1121 ANOVA and Tukey's *post-hoc* tests were used, where * indicates $P < 0.05$ between experimental
1122 and control conditions. Data is based on movies like those represented by Movies 14-16.

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1124 **Supplemental Figure S5. ROS do not affect Rab7 activation and Arl8b loading onto**
1125 **lysosomes.** RAW cells expressing RILPC33-GFP (A), or Arl8bWT-GFP (B), exposed to vehicle
1126 in absence or presence of 20 nM apilimod 40 min, or 1 mM H₂O₂ 40 min in presence or absence
1127 of 20 nM apilimod 40 min. Scale bar: 5 μ m. (C-D) Quantification of membrane associated
1128 fluorescence intensity of RILPC33-GFP (C) from (A) or Arl8bWT-GFP (D) from (B), normalized
1129 to cytosol fluorescence intensity. Data represent mean \pm SEM from three independent experiments,
1130 with 15-20 cell assessed per treatment condition per experiment. One-way ANOVA and Tukey's
1131 *post-hoc* test used for C-D with * $P < 0.05$ compared to indicated control conditions. (E) A
1132 representative Western blot of membrane fractions from RAW macrophages treated with vehicle,

1133 rotenone, or H₂O₂ with or without apilimod. Blots were probed with antibodies against Rab7,
1134 Arl8a/b, and LAMP1, the latter used to benchmark membrane levels. (F) Relative levels of
1135 Arl8ab/b or Rab7 as a ratio to LAMP1 band intensity. Data are shown as mean + standard deviation
1136 from n=3 independent experiments.

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1138 **Supplemental Figure S6. H₂O₂ boosts recruitment of clathrin and dynamin to membranes.**

1139 (A) RPE cells stably expressing clathrin heavy chain-eGFP were pre-labelled with Alexa⁵⁴⁶-
1140 conjugated dextran and treated with vehicle, 1 mM H₂O₂, or 200 nM apilimod with or without 1
1141 mM H₂O₂. Single z- plane images were acquired every 2 min for 40 min across all treatments.
1142 Fluorescence micrographs represent single z-plane images at 0 min and 40 min for each treatment
1143 obtained by spinning disc microscopy. The inset is a magnified portion of field of view tracking
1144 Alexa⁵⁴⁶-conjugated dextran lysosome(s) or clathrin-eGFP separate or merged. Scale bar: 7 μm.
1145 B. Ratio of clathrin-eGFP fluorescence intensities associated with Alexa⁵⁴⁶-conjugated dextran
1146 and cytosol time points: 0, 10, 20, 30, and 40 min. Data are represented as mean ± s.e.m. from five
1147 to six independent experiments, with 1-3 cells assessed per treatment condition per experiment.
1148 Two-way ANOVA and Tukey's *post-hoc* test were used for (B), where * indicates $P<0.05$ against
1149 control conditions. (C) RAW cells were treated with vehicle or 1 mM H₂O₂ for 40 min, lysed and
1150 homogenates fractionated through a sucrose gradient ultracentrifugation. Fractions were
1151 immunoblotted against LAMP1 and VAPB to respectively identify lysosome and ER fractions,
1152 and against clathrin heavy chain and dynamin 2. Protein expression for clathrin heavy chain (D) or
1153 dynamin 2 (E) were normalized to LAMP1 for fractions 3 to 6. Data are represented as mean ±
1154 s.d. from three independent experiments. Unpaired Student's t-test was used for (D-E), where *
1155 indicates $P<0.05$ against vehicle control conditions.

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1157 **Supplemental Figure S7. Dynamin inhibition does not affect lysosome fragmentation during**

1158 **during PIKfyve reactivation.** (A) RAW cells were pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and exposed

1159 to either vehicle, 30 μ M dyngo-4A for 2 h, 1 mM H₂O₂ for 40 min, or 1 μ M rotenone for 1 h, or

1160 20 nM apilimod for 60 min. Additional subgroup of apilimod treated cells were then washed and

1161 incubated with apilimod-free media and changed for 2 h in the presence of vehicle, dyngo-4A,

1162 H₂O₂, and dyngo4-A plus H₂O₂ for a total time of 2 h without apilimod. Fluorescence

1163 micrographs are spinning disc microscopy images with 45-55 z-planes represented as z-

1164 projections. Scale bar: 5 μ m. (B-D) Quantification of individual lysosome volume (B), lysosome

1165 number per cell (C), and total lysosome volume per cell (D). Data is illustrated as mean \pm s.e.m.

1166 from three independent experiments, with 25-30 cell assessed per treatment condition per

1167 experiment. One-way ANOVA and Tukey's *post-hoc* test used for B-D with **P*<0.05 compared

1168 to indicated control conditions.

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1175 **Supplemental Movie 1: Lysosome motility for vehicle-treated RAW macrophages.** Live-cell

1176 imaging of RAW macrophages pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and treated with vehicle-only.

1177 Single-plane acquired every 4 sec for 3 min. Time and scale are as indicated.

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1179 **Supplemental Movie 2: Lysosome motility for H₂O₂-treated RAW macrophages.** Live-cell
1180 imaging of RAW macrophages pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and treated with 1 mM H₂O₂ for
1181 40 min. Single-plane acquired every 4 sec for 3 min. Time and scale are as indicated.

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1183 **Supplemental Movie 3: Lysosome motility for rotenone-treated RAW macrophages.** Live-
1184 cell imaging of RAW macrophages pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and treated with 1 μM
1185 rotenone for 60 min. Single-plane acquired every 4 sec for 3 min. Time and scale are as indicated.

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1187 **Supplemental Movie 4: Lysosome motility for CDNB-treated RAW macrophages.** Live-cell
1188 imaging of RAW macrophages pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and treated with 10 μM CDNB
1189 30 min. Single-plane acquired every 4 sec for 3 min. Time and scale are as indicated.

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1191 **Supplemental Movie 5: Lysosome motility for MCB-treated RAW macrophages.** Live-cell
1192 imaging of RAW macrophages pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and treated with 5 μM MCB 30
1193 min. Single-plane acquired every 4 sec for 3 min. Time and scale are as indicated.

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1195 **Supplemental Movie 6: Lysosome motility for nocodazole-treated RAW macrophages.** Live-
1196 cell imaging of RAW macrophages pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and treated with 10 μM
1197 nocodazole 60 min. Single-plane acquired every 4 sec for 3 min. Time and scale are as indicated.

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1199 **Supplemental Movie 7: Lysosome motility for vehicle-treated RPE cells.** Live-cell imaging of
1200 RPE cells pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and treated with vehicle-only. Single-plane acquired
1201 every 8 sec for 6 min. Time and scale are as indicated.

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1203 **Supplemental Movie 8: Lysosome motility for H₂O₂-treated RPE cells.** Live-cell imaging of
1204 RPE cells pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and treated with 1 mM H₂O₂ 40 min. Single-plane
1205 acquired every 8 sec for 6 min. Time and scale are as indicated.

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1207 **Supplemental Movie 9: Lysosome motility for rotenone-treated RPE cells.** Live-cell imaging
1208 of RPE cells pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and treated with 1 µM rotenone 60 min. Single-
1209 plane acquired every 8 sec for 6 min. Time and scale are as indicated.

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1211 **Supplemental Movie 10: Lysosome motility for CDNB-treated RPE cells.** Live-cell imaging
1212 of RPE cells pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and treated with 10 µM CDNB 30 min. Single-plane
1213 acquired every 8 sec for 6 min. Time and scale are as indicated.

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1215 **Supplemental Movie 11: Lysosome motility for MCB-treated RPE cells.** Live-cell imaging of
1216 RPE cells pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and treated with 5 µM MCB 30 min. Single-plane
1217 acquired every 8 sec for 6 min. Time and scale are as indicated.

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1219 **Supplemental Movie 12: Lysosome motility for nocodazole five micromolar treated RPE**
1220 **cells.** Live-cell imaging of RPE cells pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and treated with 5 µM
1221 nocodazole 60 min. Single-plane acquired every 8 sec for 6 min. Time and scale are as indicated.

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1223 **Supplemental Movie 13: Lysosome motility for nocodazole ten micromolar treated RPE**

1224 **cells.** Live-cell imaging of RPE cells pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and treated with 10 μ M

1225 nocodazole 60 min. Single-plane acquired every 8 sec for 6 min. Time and scale are as indicated.

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1227 **Supplemental Movie 14: Lysosome motility for vehicle-treated RAW macrophages.** Live-cell

1228 imaging of RAW cells pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and treated with vehicle-only. Single-

1229 plane acquired every 4 sec for 3 min. Time and scale are as indicated.

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1231 **Supplemental Movie 15: Lysosome motility for paclitaxel one micromolar treated RAW**

1232 **macrophages.** Live-cell imaging of RAW cells pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and treated with

1233 1 μ M paclitaxel 60 min. Single-plane acquired every 4 sec for 3 min. Time and scale are as

1234 indicated.

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1236 **Supplemental Movie 16: Lysosome motility for paclitaxel ten micromolar treated RAW**

1237 **macrophages.** Live-cell imaging of RAW cells pre-labelled with Lucifer yellow and treated with

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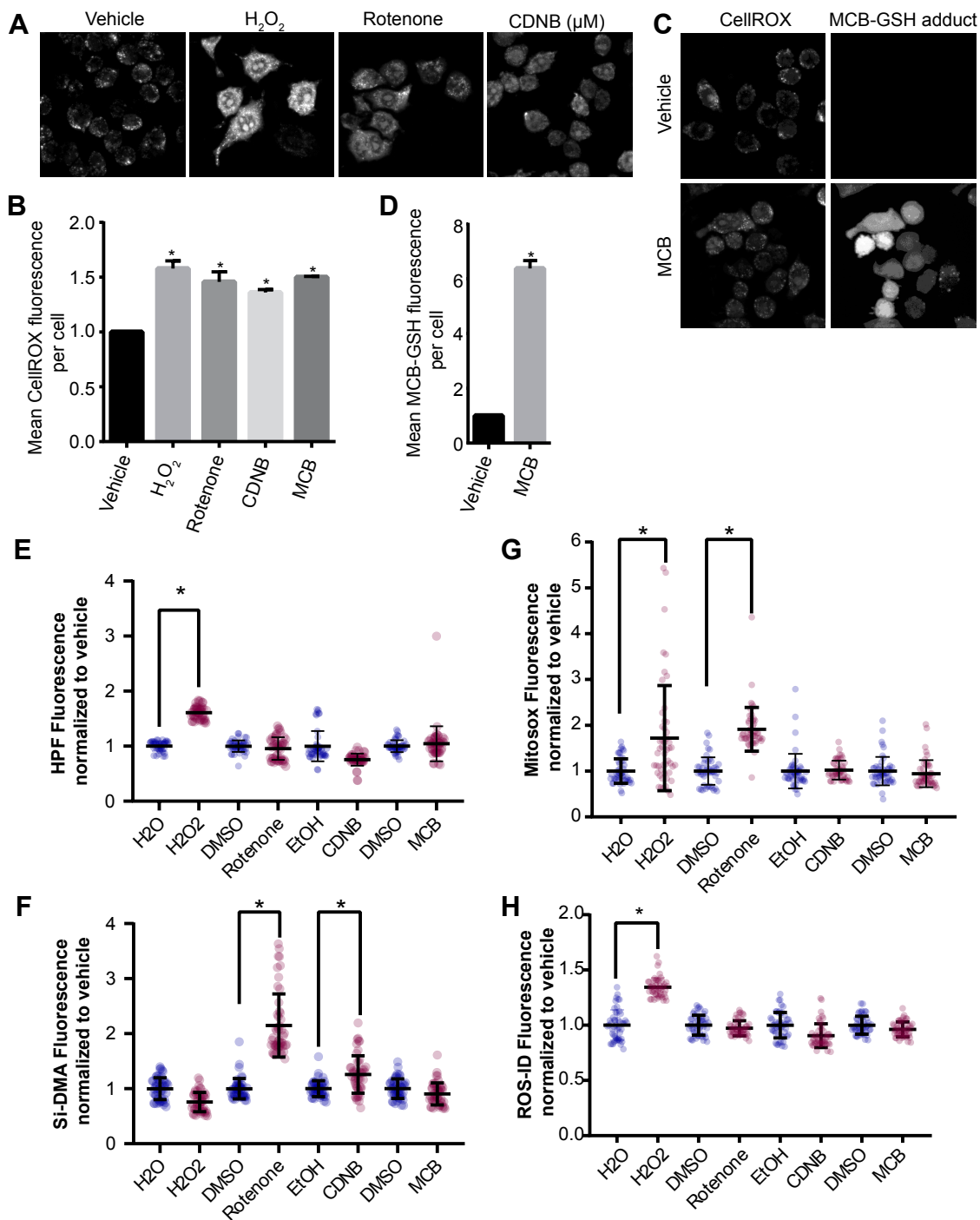
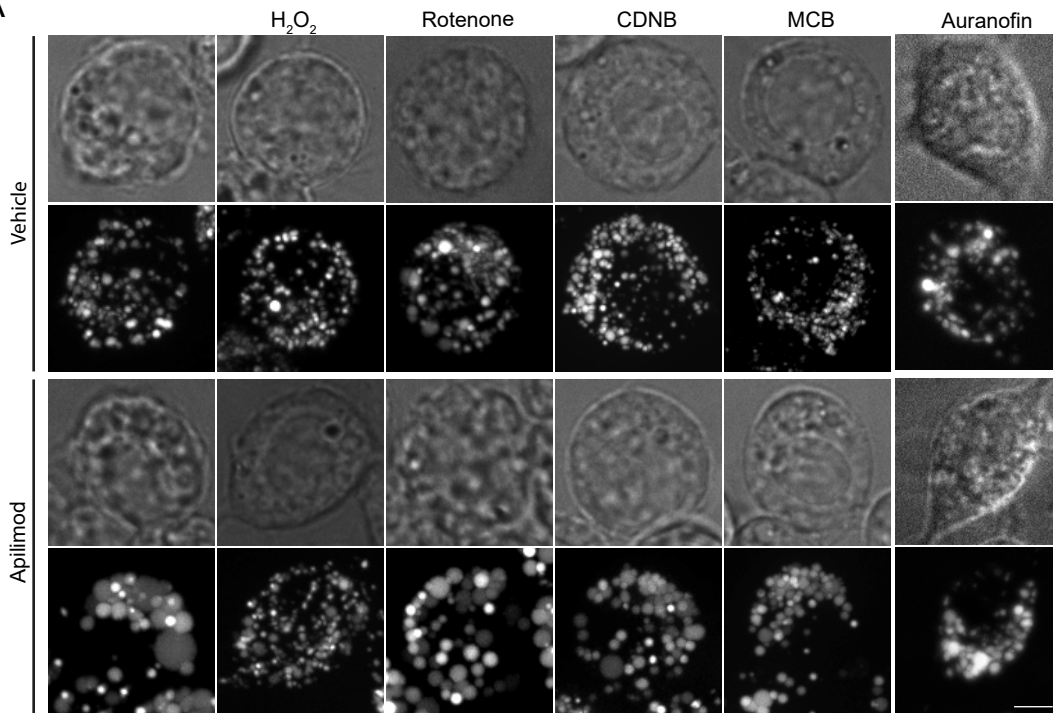
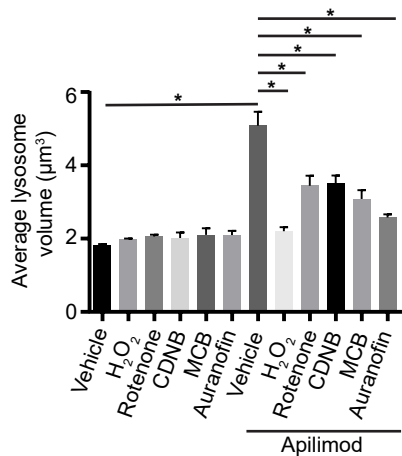


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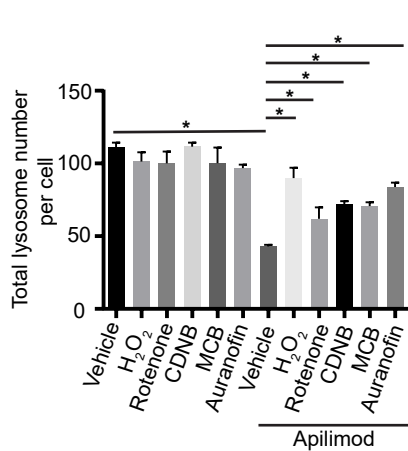
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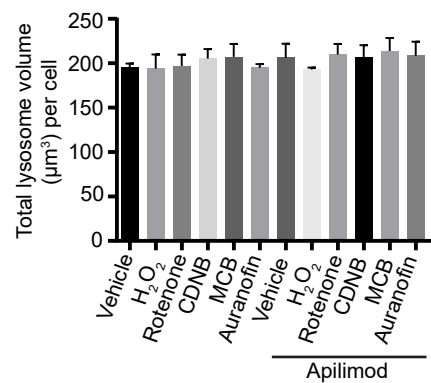


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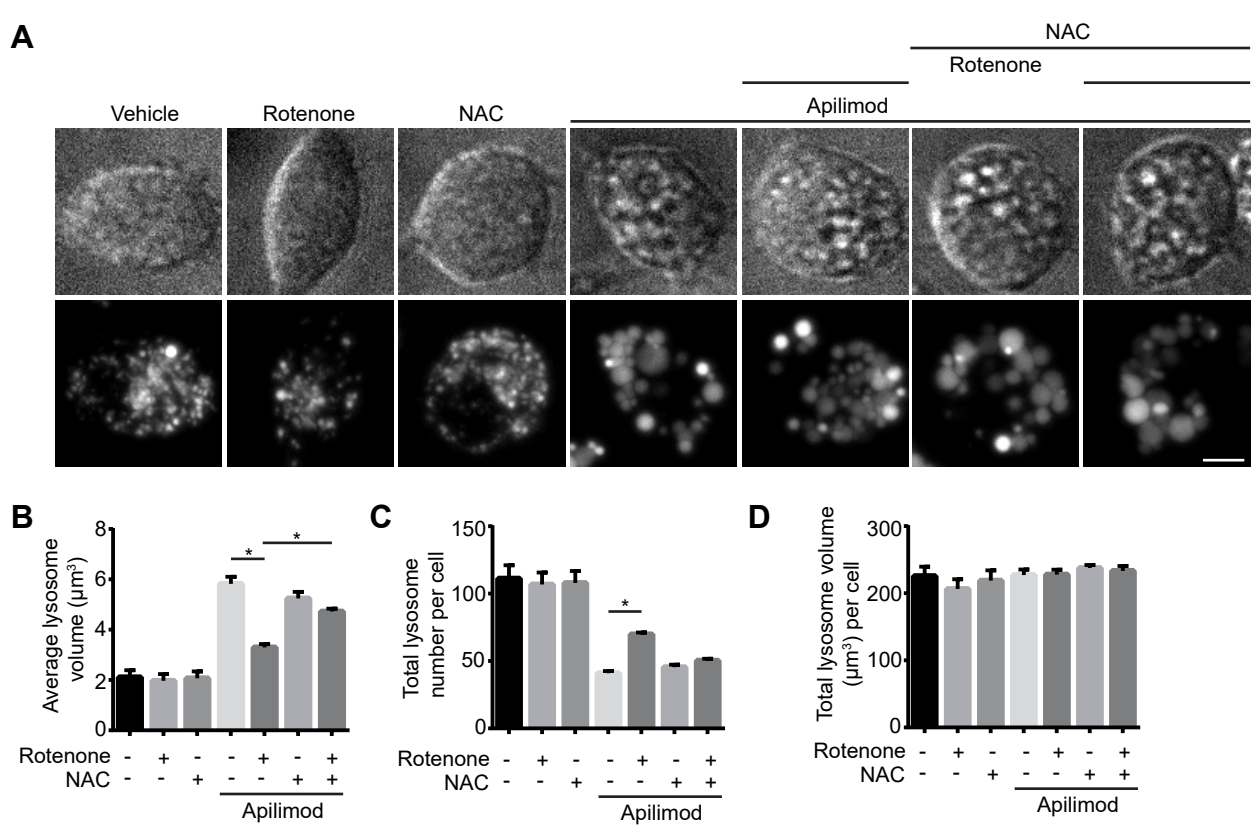


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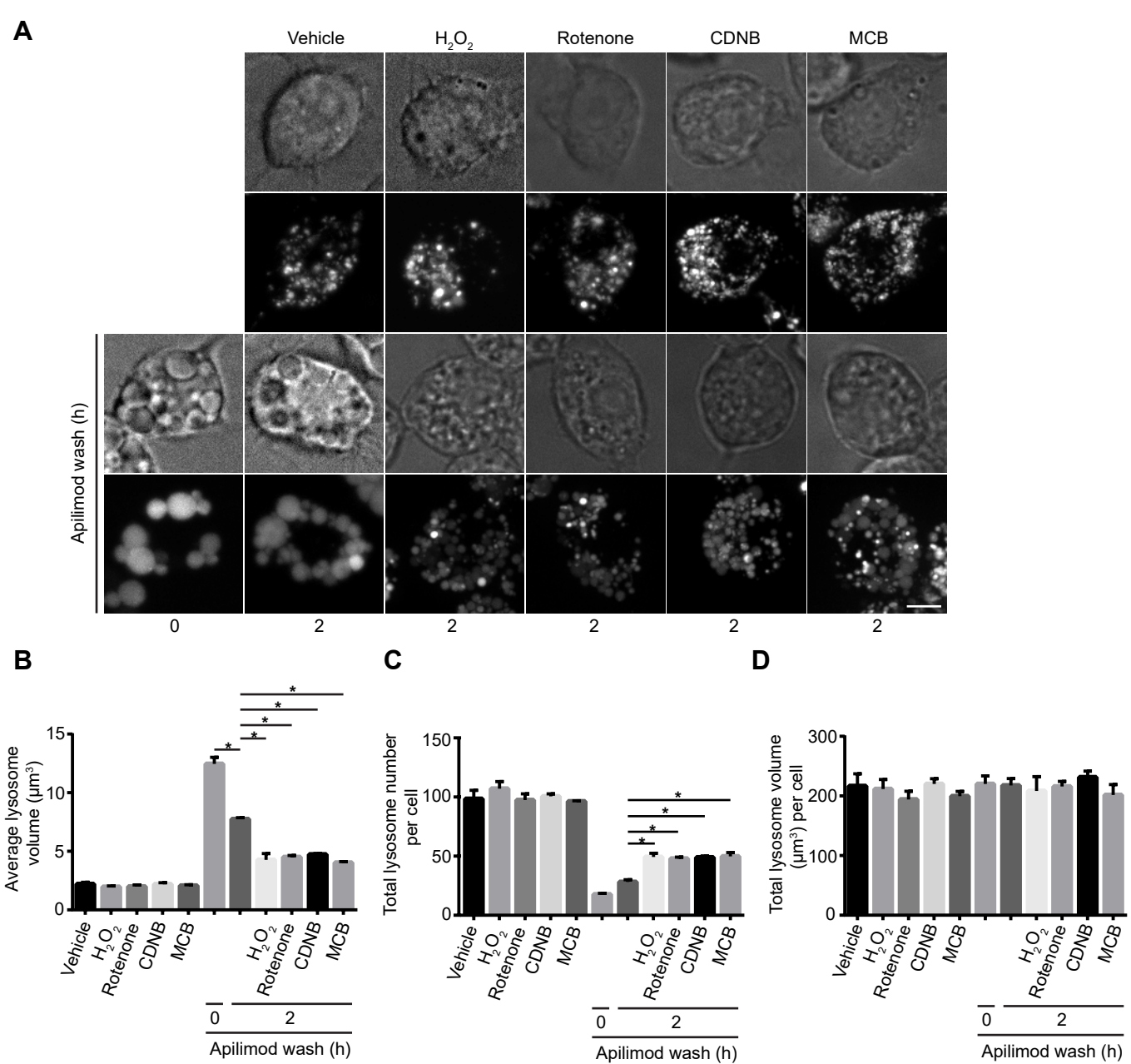


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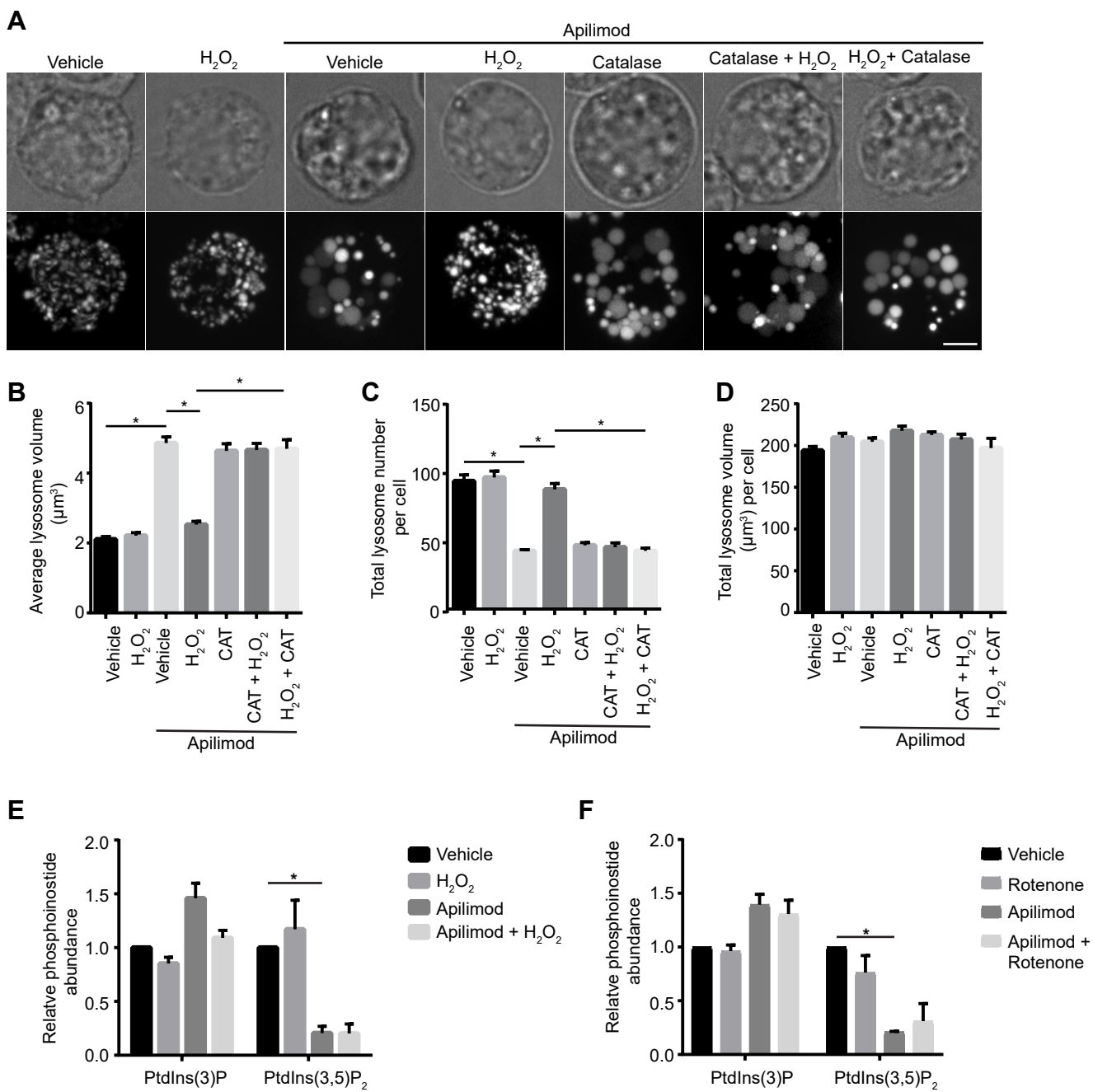


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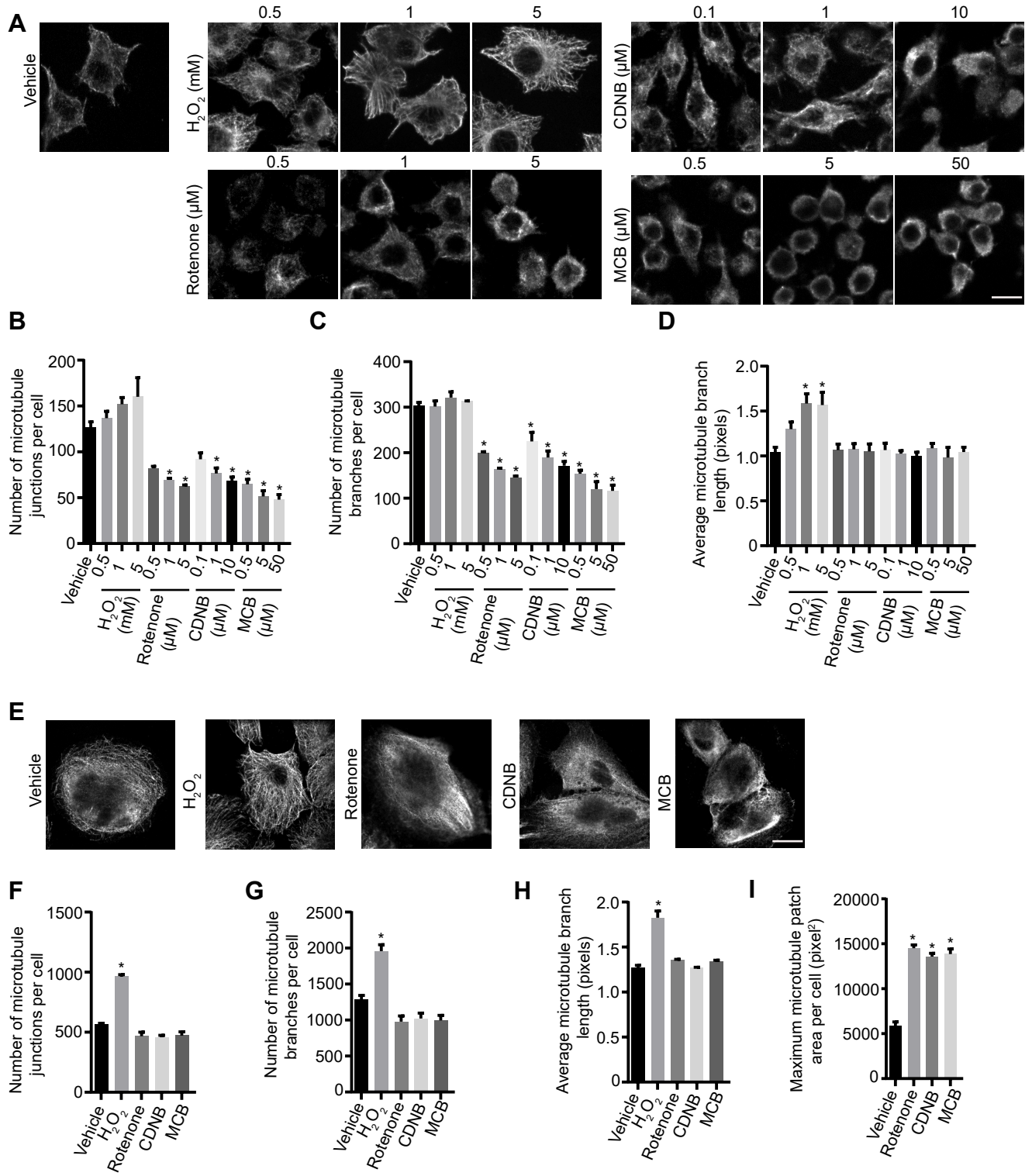
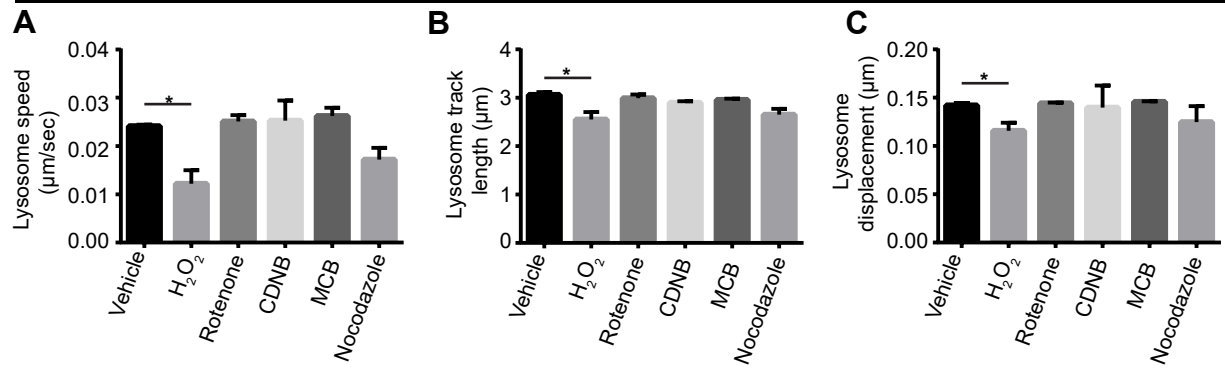


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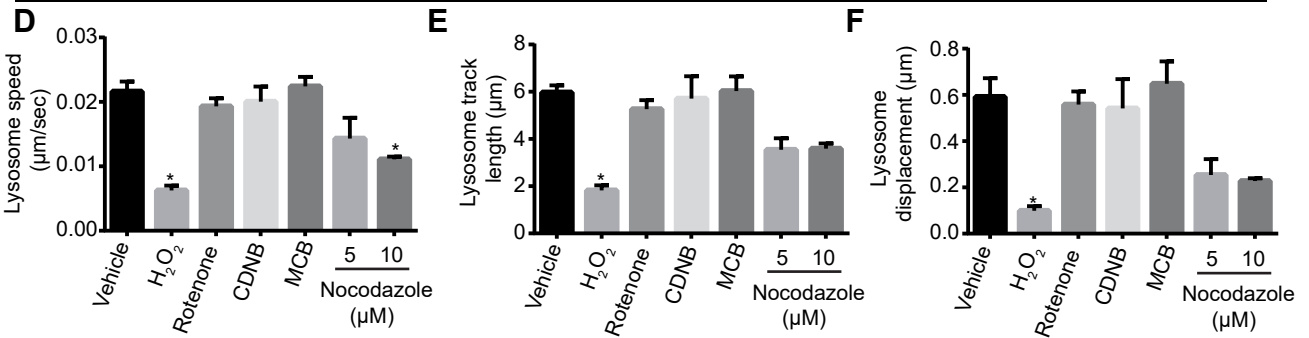


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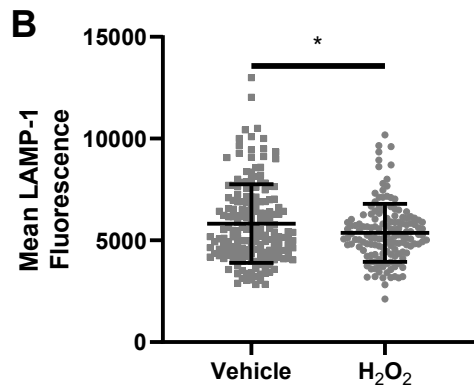
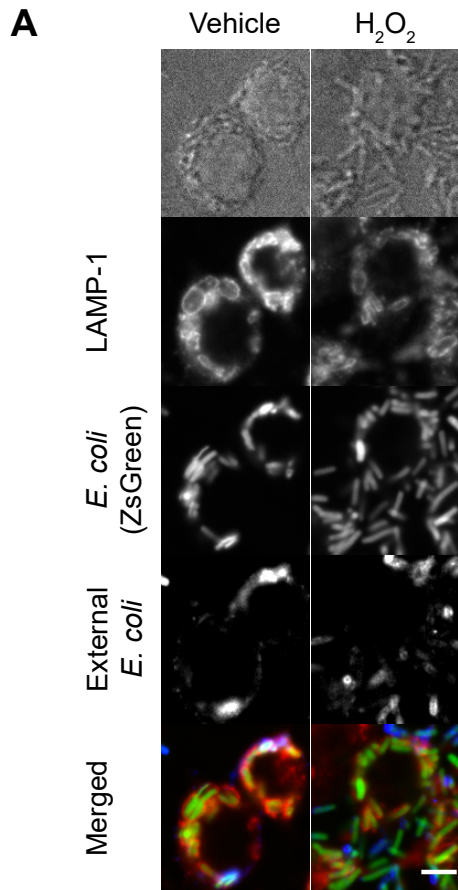


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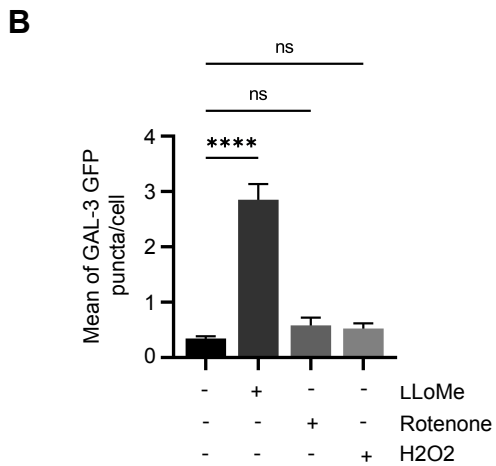
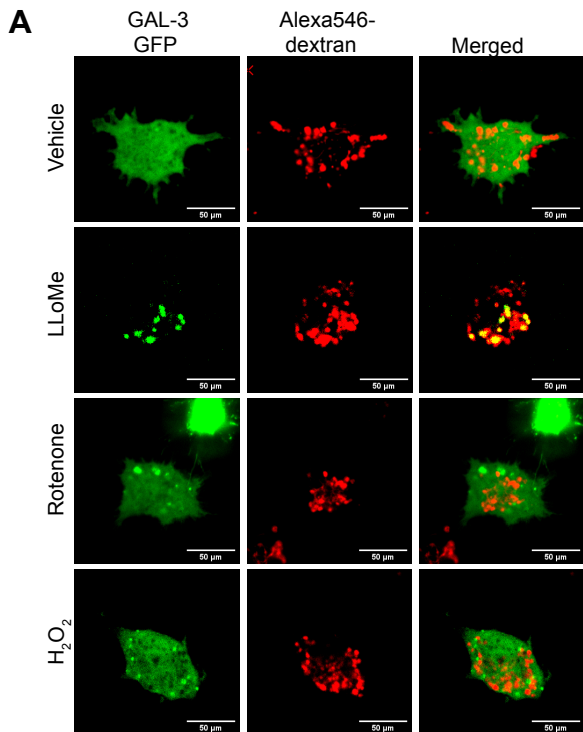


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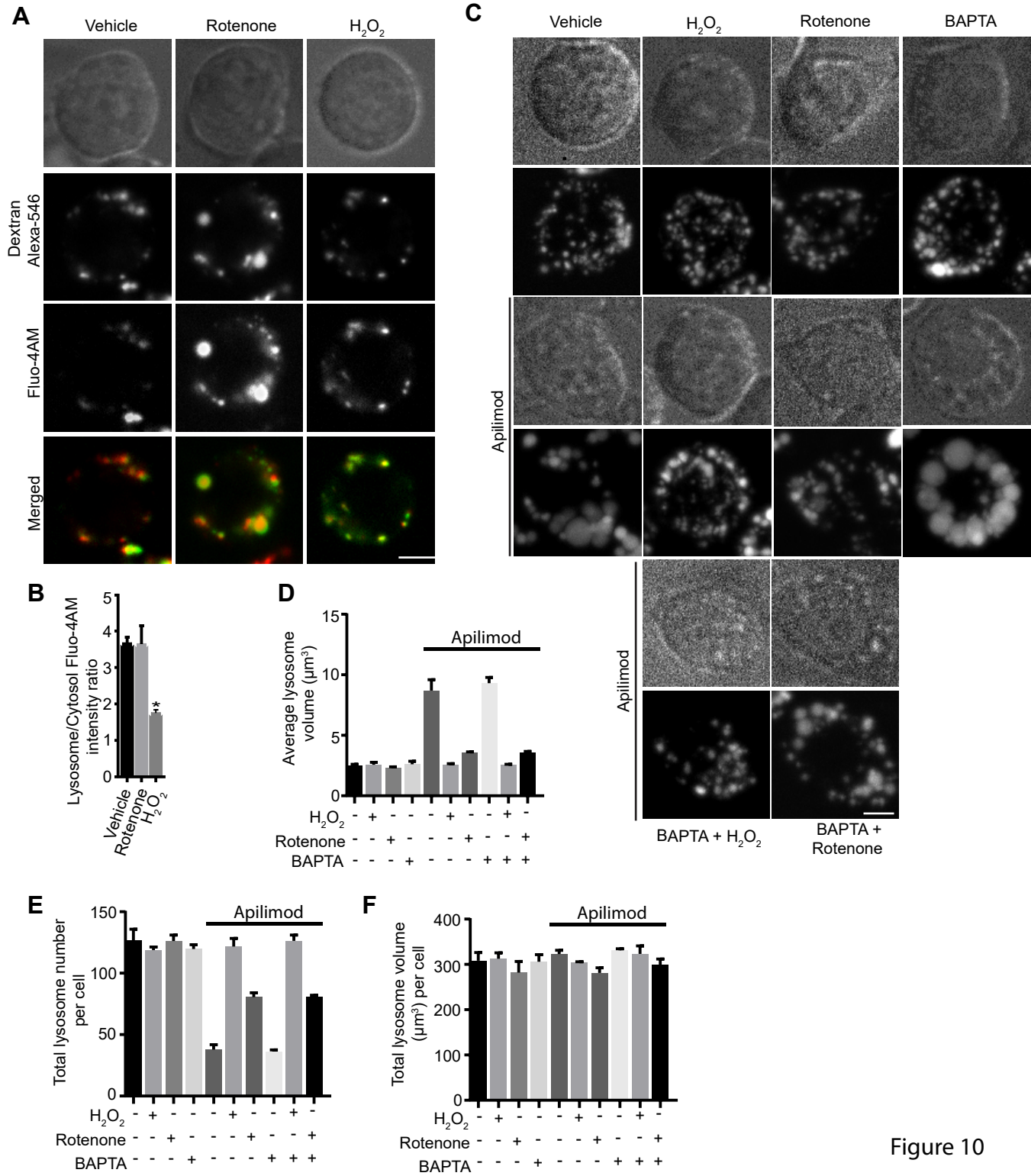


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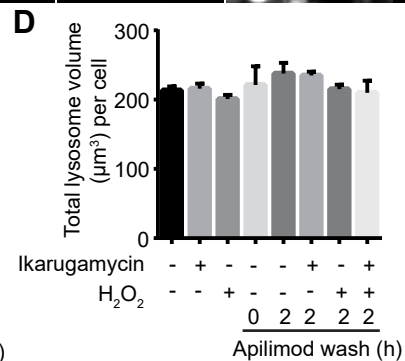
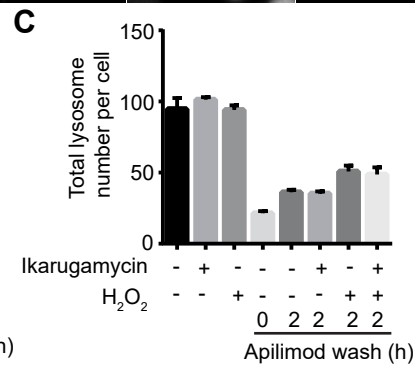
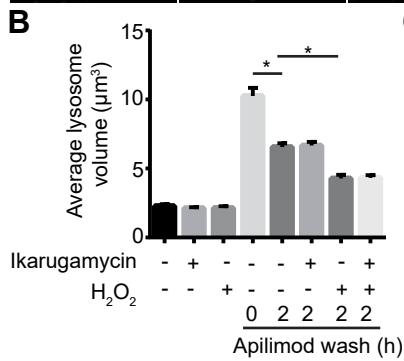
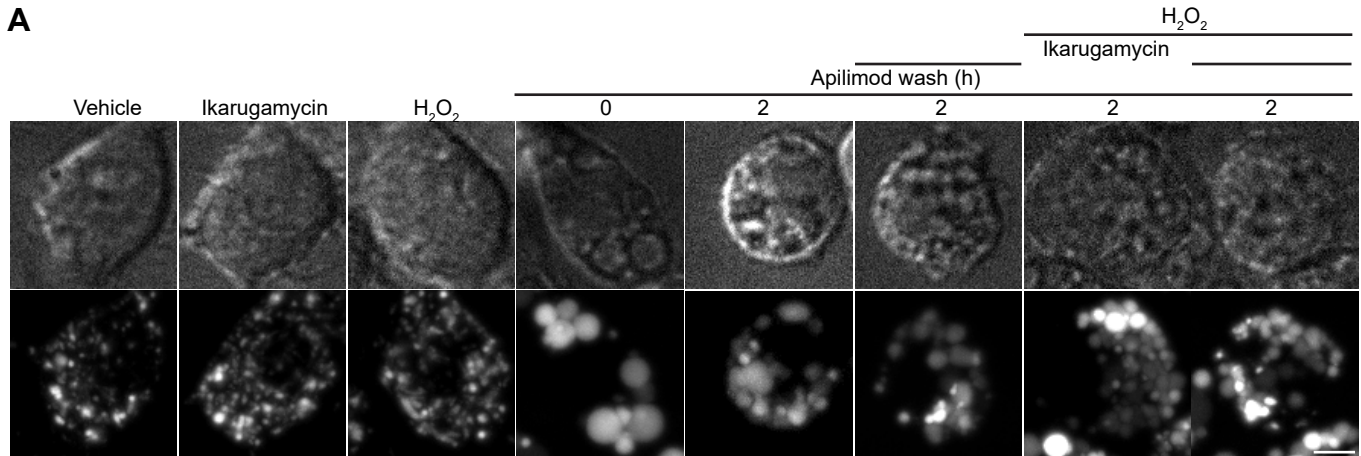


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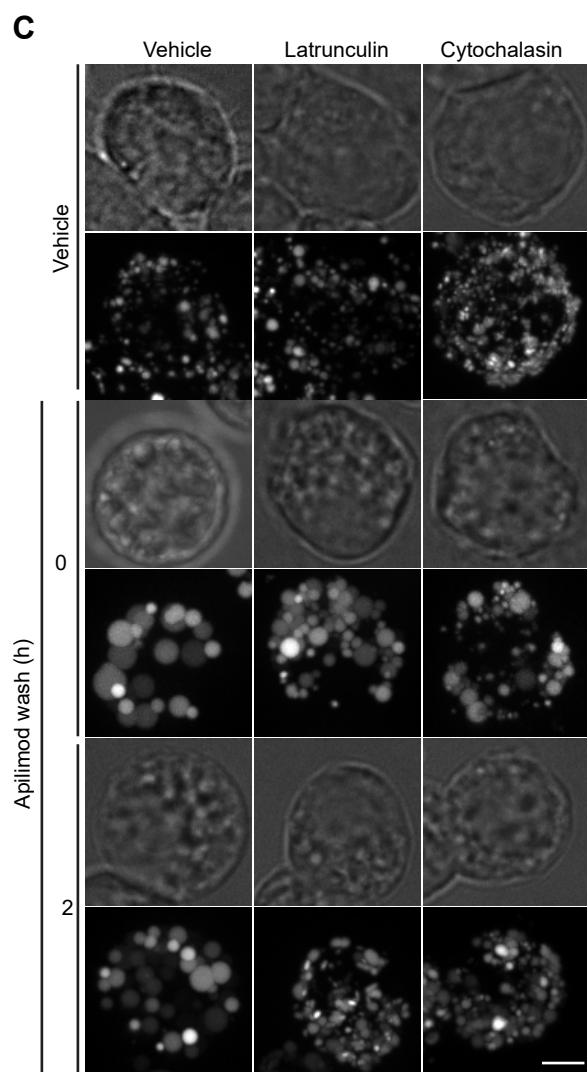
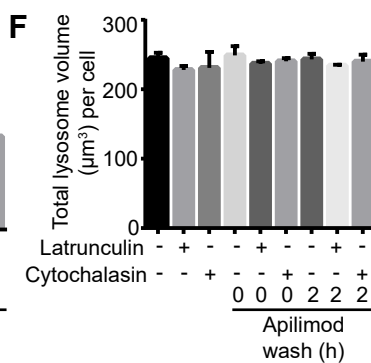
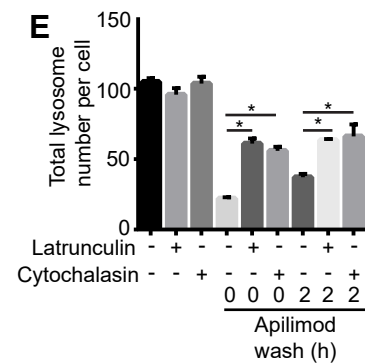
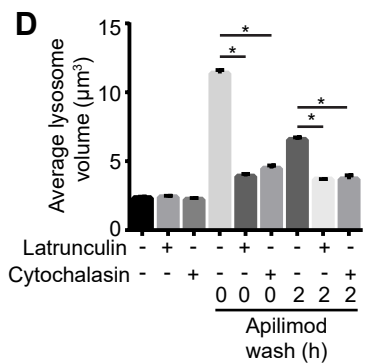
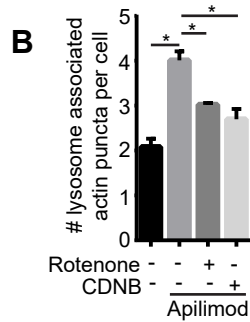
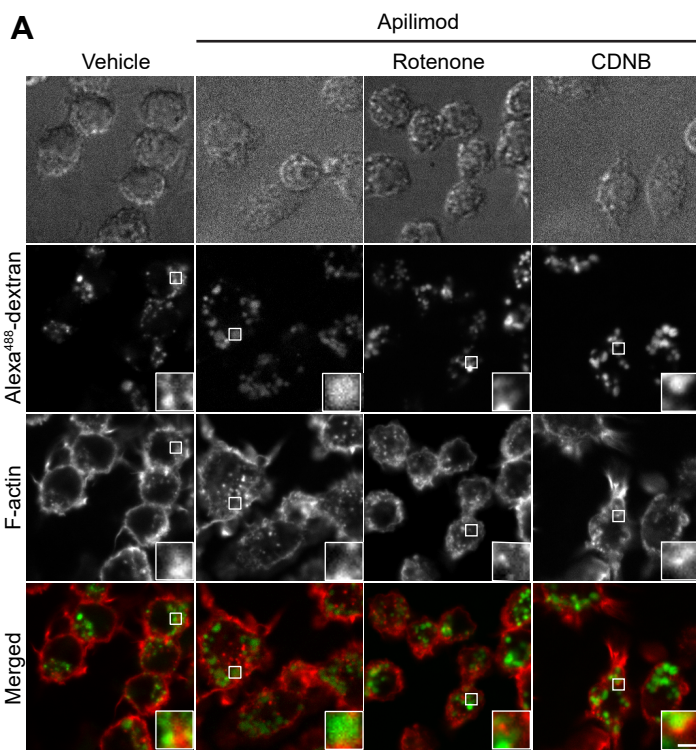


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