% This script calculates
% 1) The fraction of Ire1 concentrated in foci
% 2) The colocalization index (CI), that scores for the fraction of RNA
% foci colocalizing with Ire1

% This script takes as inputs a GFP ('1g.tif'), and a RFP ('1r.tif') image.
% Derived from the RFP image, a crop containing intracellular, non-ER signal,
% is used as a background image ('1b.tif')
% To use this script, move images to be compared into the same directory as
% this file. Then modify this script to call the image by typing the file
% names (including the extension) between the ' ' in the two lines below.

RNAim = imread('1g.tif'); IRE1im = imread('1r.tif'); BGRNDim = imread('1b.tif');

% Total Ire1 fluorescence is defined as the RFP signal above 1.1 times the % average intensity of the background image.

% Under non-stress conditions, we never observed pixels with an Ire1 signal % to exceed a 1.5-fold background threshold. Thus, this threshold value is used % to score for Ire1 in foci.

IRE1\_background = 1.1; threshold\_IRE1\_foci = 1.5;

% The smallest Ire1 foci visualized was ~10 square pixels. To prevent % individual bright background pixels from appearing as Ire1 signal in foci, % we applied a smooting filter

h = ones(5,5) / 25; IRE1im=imfilter(IRE1im,h,'replicate');

% For HAC1 fluorescence, the thresholds are with respect to the average % intensity of the image

RNA\_background = 1.5; threshold\_RNA\_foci = 2.0;

% TotIRE1 and TotRNA define the Ire and RNA signal in those pixels above the % background cutoff value.

TotIRE1 = IRE1im - IRE1\_background\*mean(mean(BGRNDim)); TotRNA = RNAim - RNA\_background\*mean(mean(RNAim));

% IRE1\_in\_foci and HAC1\_in\_foci scores the signal of IRE1 and HAC1 in those pixels % above the threshold that defines foci

RNA\_in\_foci = RNAim - threshold\_RNA\_foci\*mean(mean(RNAim)); IRE1\_in\_foci = IRE1im - threshold\_IRE1\_foci\*mean(mean(BGRNDim));

% To identify the RNA signal colocalizing with Ire1 foci, we first make % a mask which includes all pixels containing IRE1 in foci

IRE1\_foci\_mask = im2bw(single(IRE1\_in\_foci),1);

% Also, we grow this mask by 3 pixels in each direction (to compensate % for the foci having moved in the time between acquisition of the red and green % channels)

h2 = ones(7,7); IRE1\_foci\_mask\_grown = imfilter(IRE1\_foci\_mask,h2,'replicate');

% Finally, we define RNA in IRE1 foci as RNA in foci which overlaps the enlarged % IRE1 foci mask

RNA\_in\_IRE1\_foci = IRE1\_foci\_mask\_grown.\*single(RNA\_in\_foci);

% To calculate the colocalization index (fraction of RNA colocalizing with Ire1 vs TotRNA), CI

num = mean(mean(single(RNA\_in\_IRE1\_foci))); denom = mean(mean(single(TotRNA)));

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if num == 0
CI = 0;
else
CI = num/denom;
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end

CI

% To calculate the fraction of Ire in foci

IRE1\_in\_fociQ = single(TotIRE1).\*IRE1\_foci\_mask; Fraction\_IRE1\_in\_Foci = mean(mean(IRE1\_in\_fociQ))/mean(mean(TotIRE1))