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**Supplementary Figure 1.** Image stream-based autophagy detection technique. Upper panel: Vesicles involved in the autophagy process, lysosomes are depicted in red, autophagosomes in green decorated with LC3 (green dots). Addition of lysosomal inhibitors E64d/PepA allows arrest of autophagic flux. Middle panel: Single cells from left to right containing many lysosomes/ few autophagosomes, few lysosomes/many autophagosomes or upon induction of autophagy many autolysosomes. Lower Panel: Representative Image stream dot plots showing location of cells in dot plots, and gating strategy for BDS in histograms.

## Supplementary Fig 2







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WIPI / Lyso-ID

LC3 / Lyso-ID

**Supplementary Figure 2.** Lysosomal markers correlate on Image stream. **(a)** Merge (yellow) of images of PBMCs stained with two lysosomal markers Lyso-ID (red) and LAMP-1 (green) **(b)** Correlation of Lyso-ID and LAMP-1 intensity dot plot. Representative co-localized images of PBMCs stained for **(c)** WIPI-1 (green) and Lyso-ID (red) **(d)** LC3 (green) and Lyso-ID (red). **(e)** BDS (represented as % total double positives, BDS<sup>hi</sup>) between WIPI-1 Lyso-ID and LC3 Lyso-ID stained PBMCs (mean  $\pm$  SEM., *n*=4., \*p=0.0286).