

Supplemental Information

Supplemental Figures

Figure S1

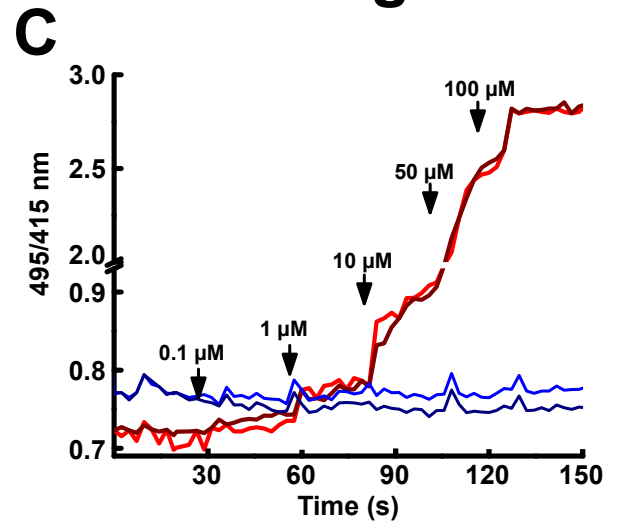
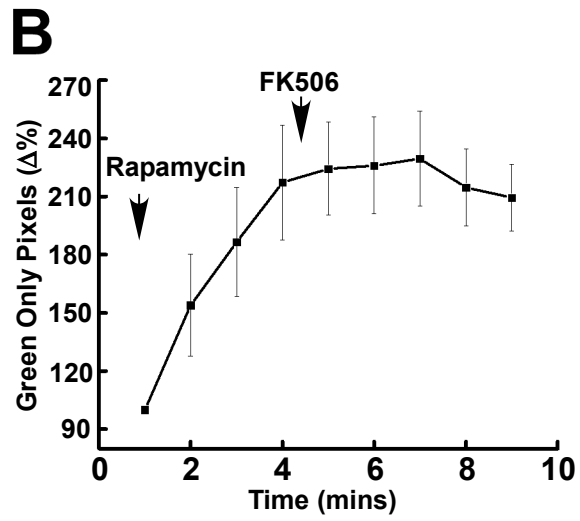
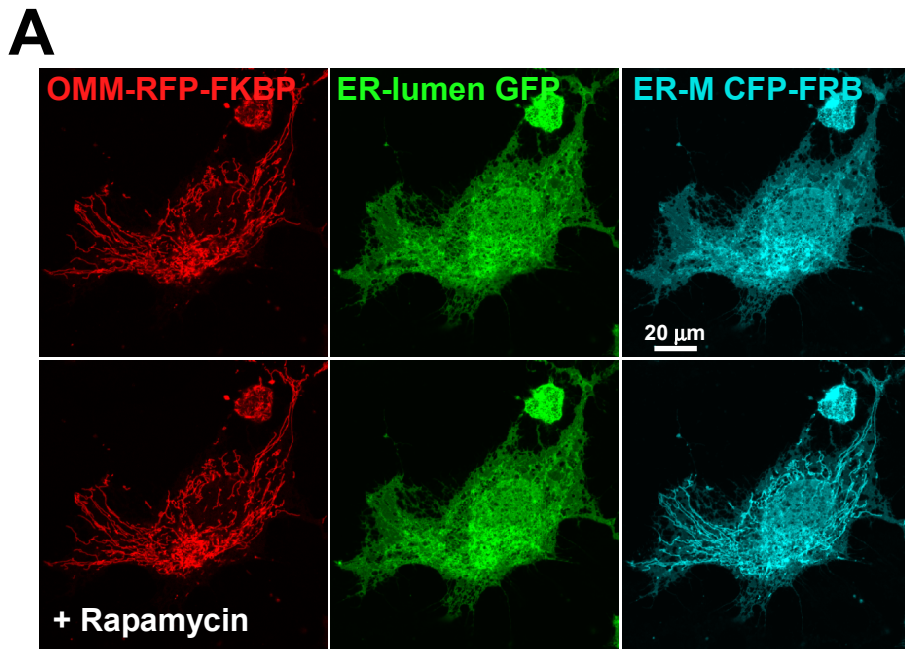


Fig. S1, related to Figure 1: Targeting of an H₂O₂ reporter to the ER-mitochondrial interface while preserving organelle morphology

(A) Whole cell images for the subcellular areas displayed in Figure 1B showing that heterodimerization of linker halves progressively changes the distribution of the ER-surface targeted probe (ER-M CFP-FRB; cyan) to co-localize with OMM targeted probes (OMM-RFP-FKBP; red) in response to rapamycin (lower row vs upper row). However, the total ER-structure visualized with ER-lumen targeted GFP (ER-lumen GFP; green) remains unaltered. To limit the long term effects of rapamycin it was washed out after 4 incubation and FK506 (5 μM) was added.

(B) Percentage change in the number of green (ER lumen GFP) only pixels in images following treatment with rapamycin and FK506. The increase shows that redistribution of ER-M CFP in the ER to the close associations with mitochondria results in a progressive increase in the ER-specific pixels that lack the ER-M linker half ($n = 16$ cells).

(C) Sample traces of single HepG2 cells expressing OMM-targeted HyPer (red, dark red; $n = 13$), and SypHer (blue, dark blue; $n = 14$) permeabilized (Saponin, 40 μg/ml) and exposed to H₂O₂ (stepwise, 0.1, 1, 10, 50&100 μM respectively).

Figure S2

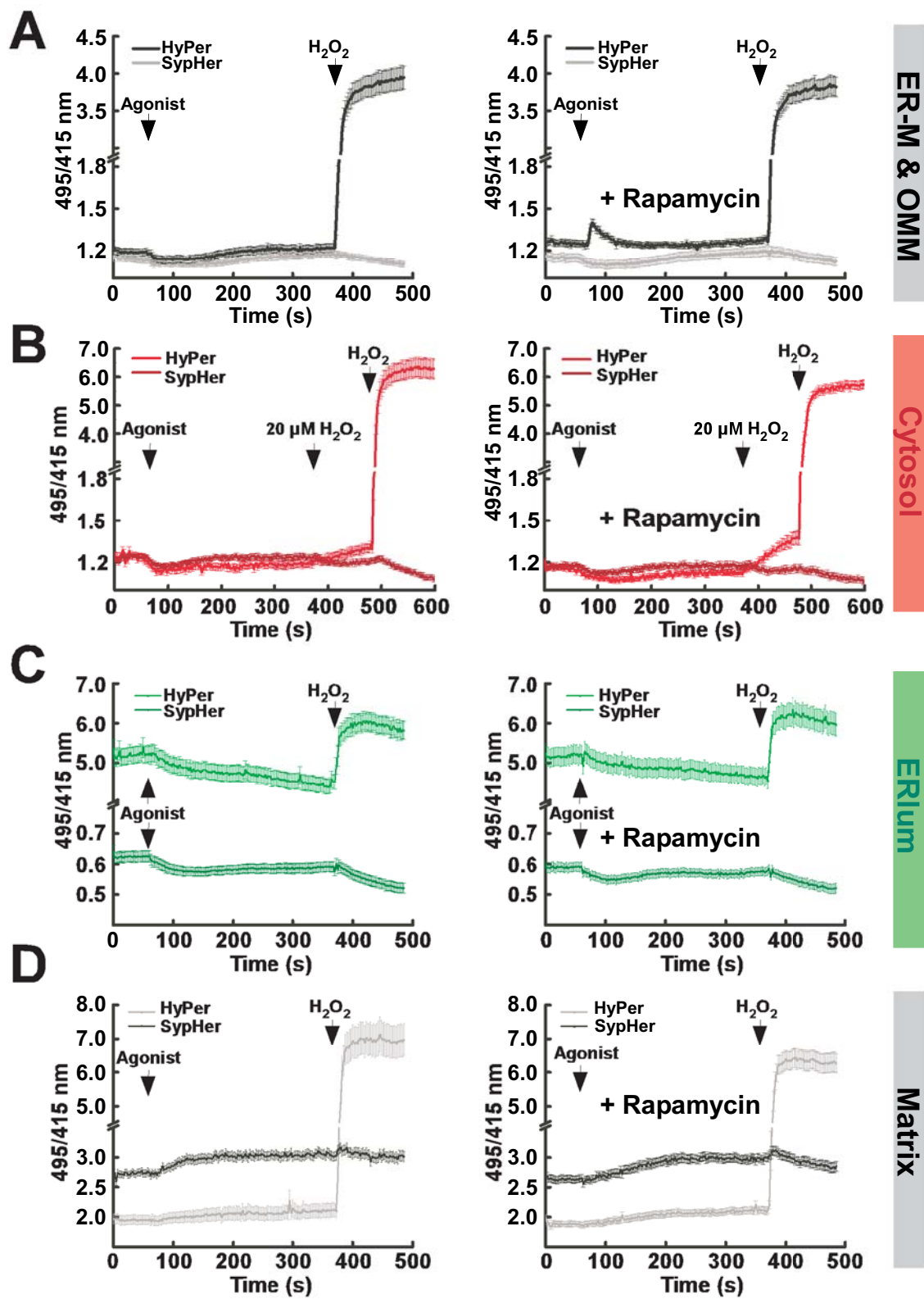


Fig. S2, related to Figure 2: Agonist-induced H₂O₂ elevation is detectable only when HyPer is targeted to the ER-mitochondrial interface, whereas a pH change occurs throughout the cytoplasm.

(A) HepG2 cells expressing both components of the interface targeting system, OMM and ER-M (HyPer, black or SypHer, gray) stimulated with ATP 100 μ M+Tg 2 μ M and positive control (H₂O₂, 200 μ M) following pretreatment with DMSO (left, *n* =115) or rapamycin (100 nM, 3 mins) and FK506 wash (5 μ M, 1 min) (right, *n* =93).

(B) HepG2 cells expressing Hyper and SypHer targeted to the cytosol (HyPer, red SypHer, dark red) were stimulated with ATP 100 μ M+Tg 2 μ M and positive control (H₂O₂, 20 μ M then 200 μ M) following pretreatment with DMSO (left, *n* =149) or rapamycin (100 nM, 3 mins) and FK506 wash (5 μ M, 1 min) (right, *n* =162).

(C) HepG2 cells expressing HyPer and SypHer targeted to the ER lumen (HyPer, green, SypHer, dark green) stimulated with ATP 100 μ M+Tg 2 μ M and positive control (H₂O₂, 200 μ M) following pretreatment with DMSO (left, *n* =77) or rapamycin (100 nM, 3 mins) and FK506 wash (5 μ M, 1 min) (right, *n* =95).

(D) HepG2 cells expressing HyPer and SypHer targeted to the mitochondrial matrix (HyPer, gray, SypHer, black) stimulated with ATP 100 μ M+Tg 2 μ M and positive control (H₂O₂, 200 μ M) following pretreatment with DMSO (left, *n* =70) or rapamycin (100 nM, 3 mins) and FK506 wash (5 μ M, 1 min) (right, *n* =75).

Figure S3

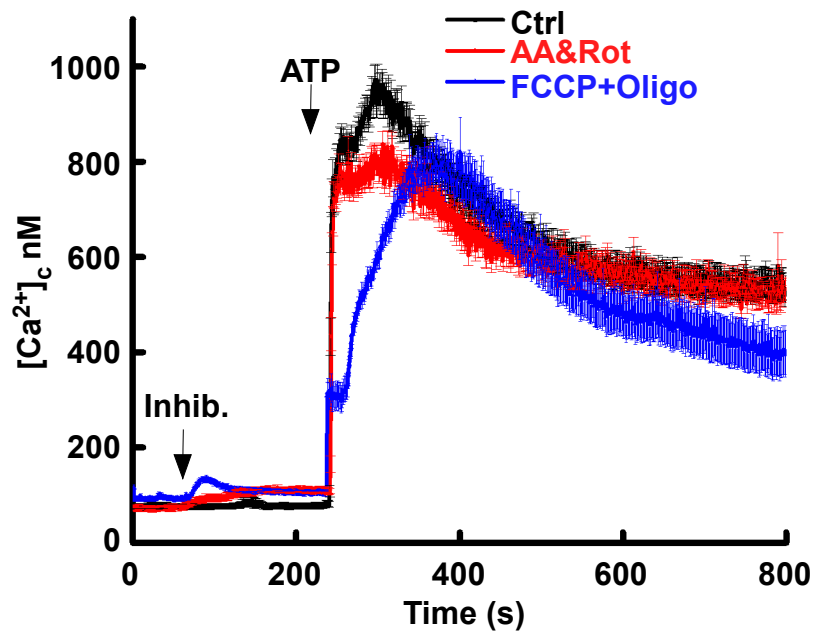
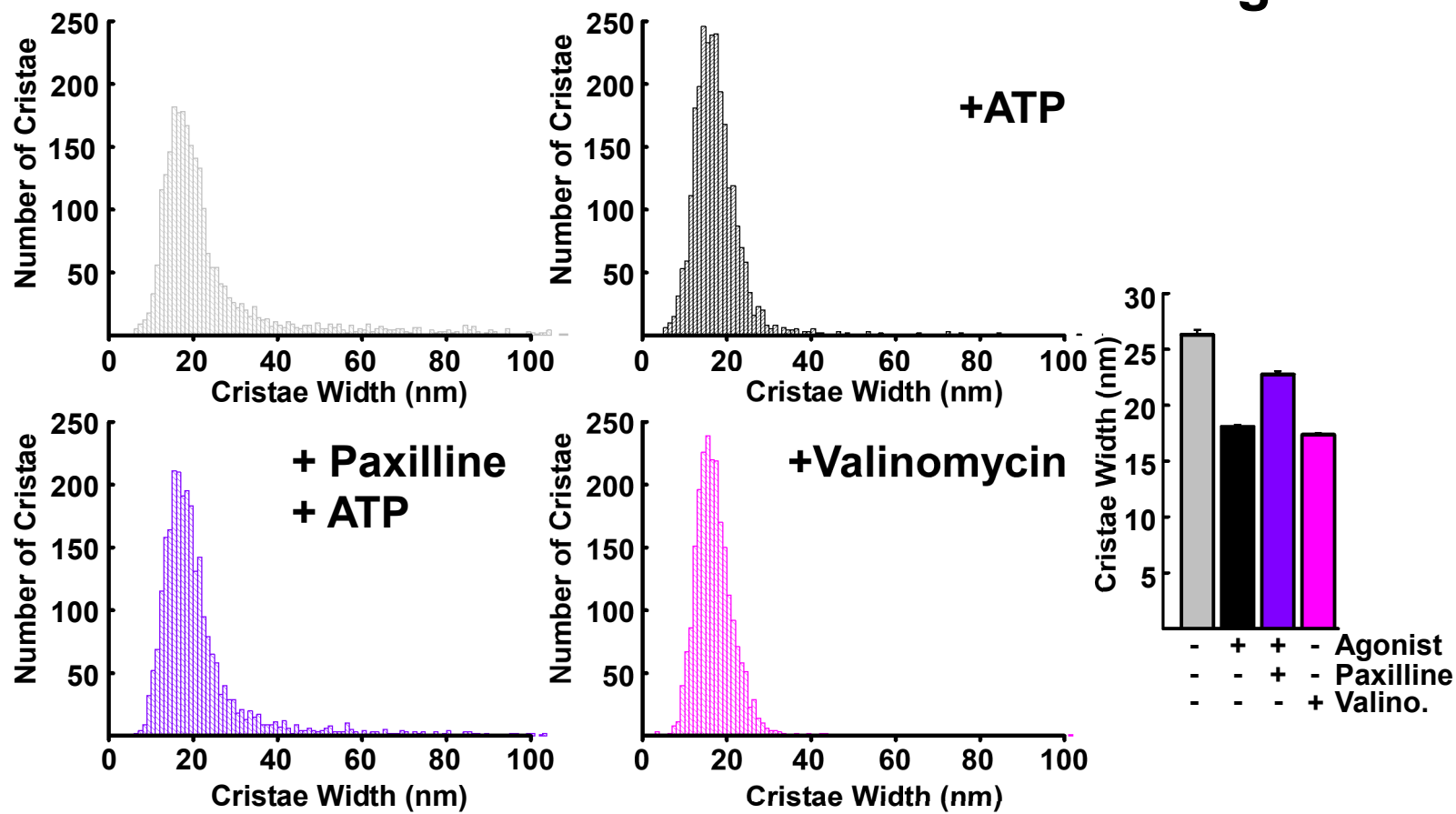
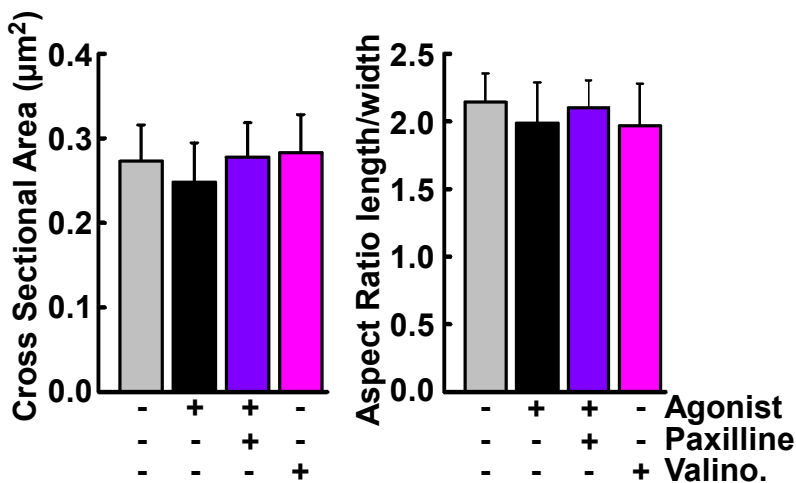


Fig. S3, related to Figure 3: The agonist induced cytoplasmic [Ca²⁺] signal is maintained when mitochondrial respiratory chain activity is disabled. HepG2 cells preincubated with inhibitors (Inhib.) of complex III and I (red; antimycin A, 5 μM & rotenone, 5 μM *n* =204) or protonophore and ATP synthase inhibitor (blue; FCCP, 5 μM & oligomycin, 10 μM *n* =211) compared with control (black; *n* =229).

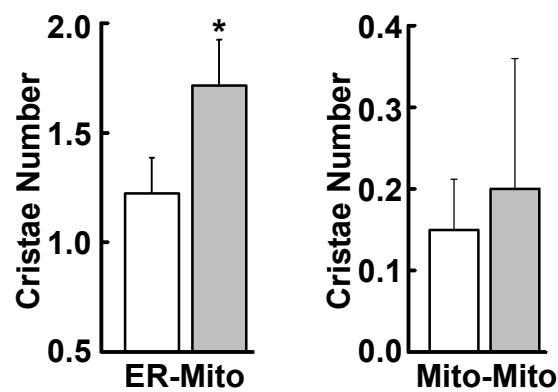
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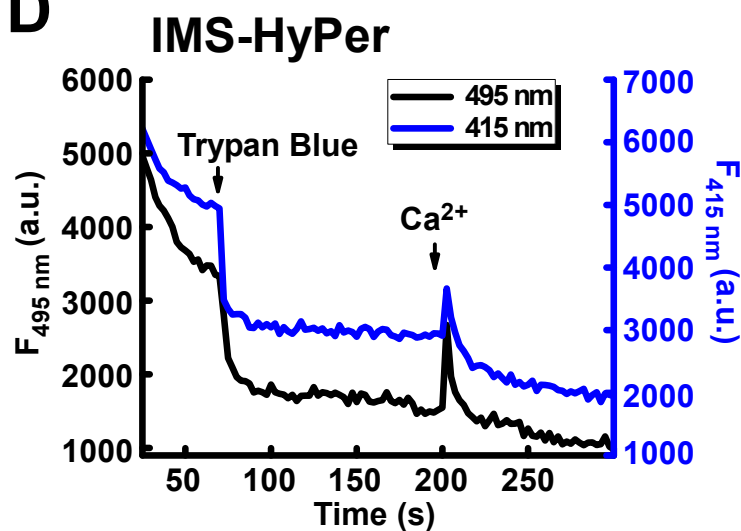
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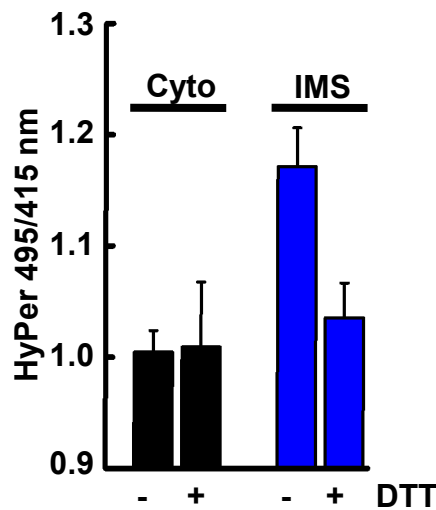
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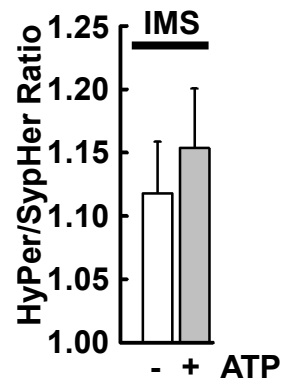


Fig. S4 related to Figure 4: Mitochondrial cristae have oxidized content and change volume in response to matrix Ca^{2+} uptake

(A) Histograms of mitochondrial cristae width derived from transmission electron microscopy images of HepG2 cells under control conditions (gray, $n=43$ cells), agonist stimulated (black, $n=45$), agonist stimulated following pre-incubation with mitoBK_{Ca} inhibitor (paxilline; 25 μM ; purple, $n=33$) or incubated with a K⁺ ionophore (valinomycin 0.5 nM; pink, $n=37$) alone. Right, combined and normalized (Mean \pm SEM) cristae width for all conditions.

(B) Mitochondrial cross sectional area (μm^2 , left) and aspect ratio (length/width, right) measured in HepG2 cells in solvent (gray, $n=381$), agonist-treated (black, $n=454$), paxilline pretreatment+agonist (purple, $n=402$) and valinomycin pretreatment+agonist ($n=411$) treatment conditions.

(C) Quantification of cristae junctions within ER-mitochondrial (ER-Mito; left) or mitochondrial-mitochondrial (Mito-Mito; right) interaction zones. Predicted (white; total cristae junctions/fraction of mitochondrial perimeter interacting (< 100 nm) with ER) vs. observed (gray) cristae junction within 100nm of ER (left) or mito (right) surface $n=43$ cells. * $p<0.01$.

(D) Sample traces of trypan blue (10mg/ml) induced quench of the IMS-targeted HyPer (Cox8a-HyPer) in permeabilized HepG2 cells at both excitation wavelengths (black: 495 nm, blue: 415 nm, $n=15$). Trypan blue does not permeate the IMM therefore quenching indicates that the probe is located outside the matrix. Addition of Ca^{2+} indicates increased access of trypan to the probe (Giacomello et al., 2010), which might result from changes to IMS/cristae morphology.

(E) Mean (\pm SEM) 495/415 nm ratios of HyPer targeted to the cytosol (black, $n=41$) or the IMS (blue, $n=25$) before and after treatment with DTT.

(F) Hyper/SypHer ratios of IMS targeted probes before and after agonist (ATP; 100 μM) treatment, (Mean \pm SEM, $n=22$).

Materials and Methods:

Chemicals

Standard chemicals were purchased from Fisher Scientific or Sigma-Aldrich. Thapsigargin, Ebselen and Paxilline were purchased from Enzo Life Sciences (Plymouth Meeting, PA). Fluorescent Ca²⁺-indicator dyes, and Pluronic F-127 were from Teflabs (Austin, TX).

DNA Constructs

For targeting the FKBP12 protein to the cytoplasmic surface of the OMM, the N-terminal sequence of the mAKAP1 (34–63) was used, and it was fused to the N terminus of the human FKBP12 protein through a linker (DPTRSANSAGAGAGAGAILSR). The fusion proteins were tagged with mRFP, HyPer (Belousov et al., 2006), SypHer (Poburko et al., 2011) or Killer Red (Bulina et al., 2006) in the pEGFP-N1 plasmid backbone. The constructs used for targeting the mRFP-tagged FRB protein to the cytoplasmic surface of the ER were described elsewhere (Varnai and Balla, 2007) and were adapted by replacing mRFP with HyPer, SypHer or Killer Red (Bulina et al., 2006). HyPer and SypHer derivatives were targeted to the cytosol, ER lumen, and mitochondrial matrix as described (Enyedi et al., 2010), Killer Red-3NLS was constructed by substituting Killer Red for HyPer-3NLS used in the same study. The constitutive OMM-PM linker was derived from the OMM-ER linker described previously (Csordas et al., 2006) where the ER-target sequence was replaced with CAAX motif. RCaMP, a red Ca²⁺ indicator was targeted to the mitochondrial matrix as described (Akerboom et al., 2013). IMS targeted HyPer and SypHer were created by replacing GFP to form Complex IV subunit 8a-HyPer/SypHer (Cox8a-HyPer, Cox8a-SypHer, derived from “CIV-G”, gift, Karin Busch, Münster).

Cell Culture

HepG2 cells obtained from ATCC were cultured in Eagle's minimal essential medium (EMEM) supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum, 2 mM glutamine, 100 U/ml penicillin and 100 U/ml streptomycin in humidified air (CO₂ 5%) at 37°C. For imaging experiments cells were plated onto poly-D lysine coated glass coverslips at a density of 30-35,000 cells/cm² and cultured for 24-72 hrs. Genetically encoded probes were transiently transfected with X-tremeGENE 9 (Roche) according to the manufacturer's instructions.

Statistics

Experiments were carried out with ≥3 different cell preparations, and with each preparation the measurements were done at least in triplicates. Data are presented as means ±SEM. Significance of differences from the relevant controls was calculated by Student's t test or ANOVA where appropriate using Origin 8.5 software (OriginLab, Northampton, MA.).

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