

Figure S1: Determination of Numbers of DDB Molecules at MT Minus-Ends, related to Figure 1. (A) A kymograph of a microtubule accumulating DDB at its minus-end (reproduced from Figure 1B). A line scan was drawn along the region corresponding to the MT minus-end (red). The earliest peak of the fluorescence intensity plateau along this line scan was used as a fiducial for when the minus-end accumulation reaches saturation. A second line scan (pink) extending as far as the DDB intensity plateau fiducial in the Y-axis was drawn further into the MT as close to the minus-end as possible without interference from the growing minus-end accumulation. (B) Intensity plot of the microtubule minus-end (red line in kymograph (A)). The earliest peak of the fluorescence intensity plateau as indicated by the red highlight was used as a fiducial for when a minus-end reaches saturation. (C) Intensity plot in the microtubule lattice used to count the number of DDB that enter the minus-end accumulation until saturation. Every peak intensity on this new line scan corresponds to a single DDB crossing the point in space. Red circles indicate peaks and correspond to individual DDB. (D) Example of intensity analysis for numbers of DDB at MT ends. Yellow, white, and green circles indicate ROIs for minus-end accumulations, background fluorescence normalization, and single molecules, respectively. Scale bar: 2 µm. (E) Plot of the rate at which DDB enter the minus-end. μ = .1658 ± .04. N = 44.



Figure S2: The p150-MT Interaction is Not Required for Cooperative Accumulation of DDB at Minus-ends, related to Figure 2 (A) Representative image of TMR-labeled p150-SNAP (red) binding affinity for WT MTs (blue) compared to carboxypeptidase A (CPA)-treated MT (cyan). Scale bars: $5 \,\mu$ m, 30 sec. (B) Quantification of integrated p150 intensity on either WT or CPA-treated MT. Data represented as intensity minus background per pixel of p150 signal along a microtubule. Average WT and CPAtreated intensity are 2950 a.u. \pm 370 and 1100 a.u. \pm 176, respectively. P=.0001 by Student's T-test. Error bars represent SEM. N = 90 and 64 MTs, from two independent experiments. (C) Kymograph showing that DDB accumulation at a MT minus-end (red arrow) is constant in size even at much higher flux of incoming DDB molecules. Scale bars: 5 µm, 30 sec. (D) Plot of cumulative frequency comparing single DDB dwell times within minus-end DDB clusters at 1X and 10X DDB concentration. Note 1X DDB concentration data is reproduced from Figure 2E. (E) Table summarizing the parameters of cumulative frequency graphs comparing 1X and 10X DDB concentrations, including the characteristic dwell time (τ) of short (τ_1) and long (τ_2) populations, percentage of molecules in each population, and number of molecules measured (N) are given. 95% confidence intervals given in parentheses. All regressions have a goodness of fit (R^2) greater than .99. All data from 2-3 independent experiments. (F) Plot of the percent of incoming DDB molecules to the MT minus-end that either dwell (filled) or fall off immediately (empty) on bare minusends (red) and minus-ends with DDB clusters (blue). Percent of molecules that dwell are 77% and 83% for vacant and clustered minus ends, respectively. P = .2734 by Fischer's exact test.

Figure S3



Figure S3: Minus-End Accumulations of DDH Drive MT Reorganization Similar To DDB, related to Figure 3. (A) TIRF-M image of DDH (red) forming clusters (yellow arrows) at MT minus-ends. Scale bar: 5 μ m. (B) Top: Image frames showing steps during MT reorganization into a mini-aster. Arrows highlight minus-end accumulations that drive sliding in that frame. Bottom: Schematic depicting the DDB-driven movements of MTs. Red dots indicate DDB clusters at minus-ends. Arrows highlight the direction of sliding MTs. Scale bar: 2 μ m, time is in sec. (C) Examples of parallel, anti-parallel, and oblique sliding driven by minus-end accumulations of DDH. Yellow and green arrows indicate minus-ends of sliding microtubules inferred from DDH accumulation. Scale bar: 5 μ m, time is in sec. (D) Examples of mini-asters formed through DDH-driven MT-MT sliding. Scale bars: 5 μ m.