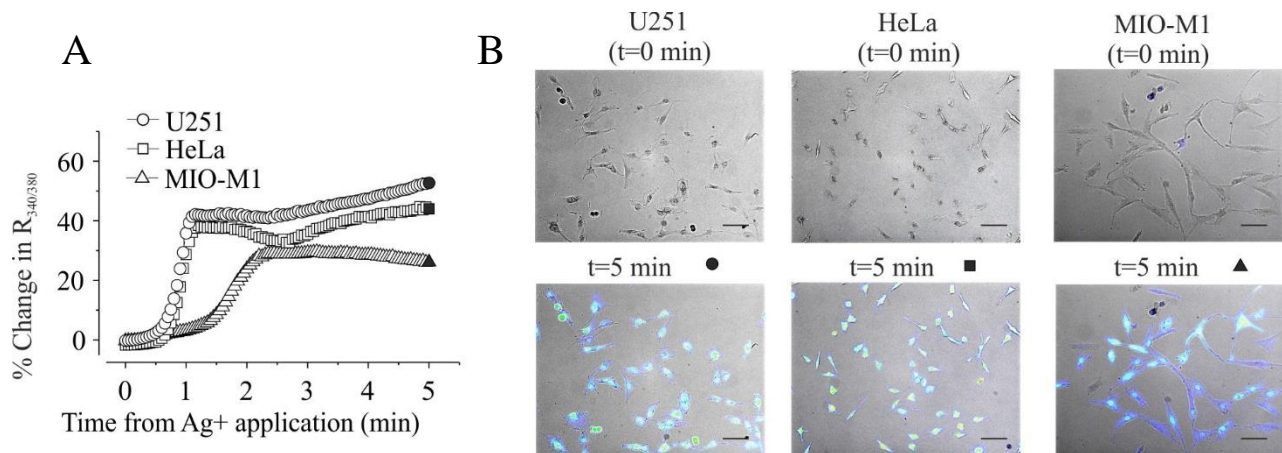


Silver ions promote blebs growth in U251 glioblastoma cell by activating nonselective cationic current.

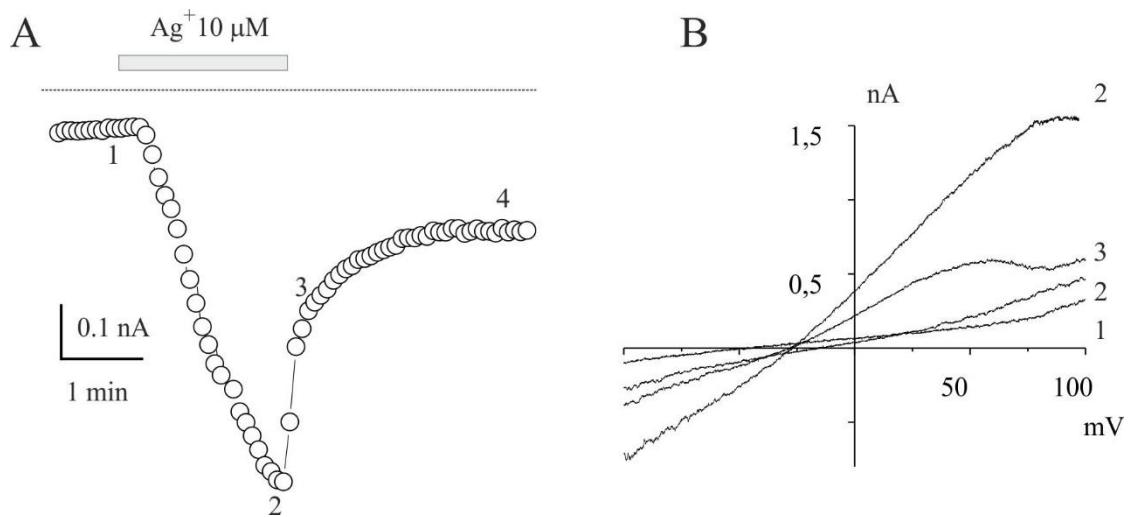
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SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURES



Supplementary Fig. S1. Silver ions increase intracellular Ca^{2+} levels in different human cell lines. **A)** Intracellular calcium levels evaluated by fluorescent imaging with FURA-2 from 20 cells during application of $3 \mu M$ of silver ions in cervical carcinoma HeLa (squares) [1] and immortalized human Müller cell line MIO-M1 (triangles) [2] compared with U251 glioblastoma cell lines (circles). **B)** Merge of brightfield and pseudo-colour of ratio 340/380 emission images of above mentioned cell lines before (0 min) and after 5 minutes application of $3 \mu M$ of Ag^+ . Intracellular calcium levels is indicated on a rainbow scale with blue represent low $[Ca^{2+}]_i$ and orange/red high $[Ca^{2+}]_i$. Scaling bars: $100 \mu m$.

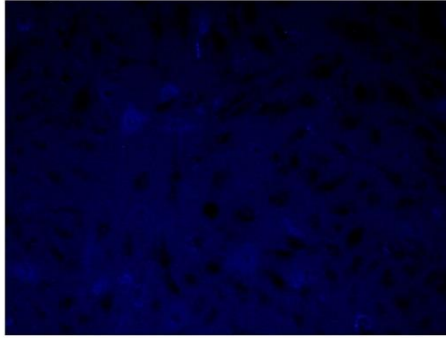
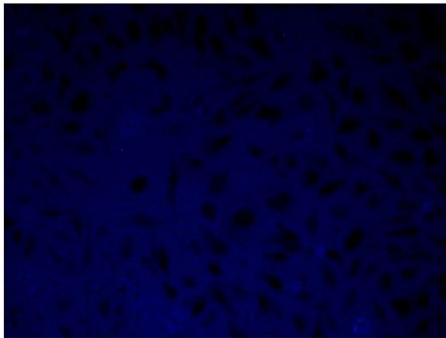
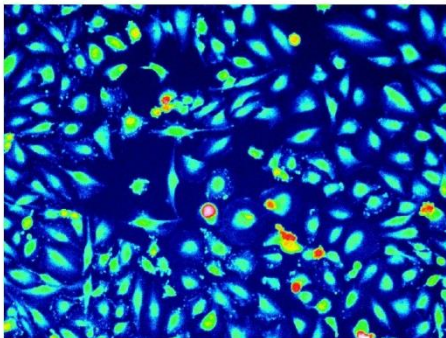
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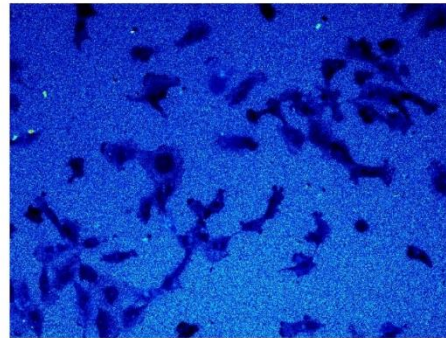
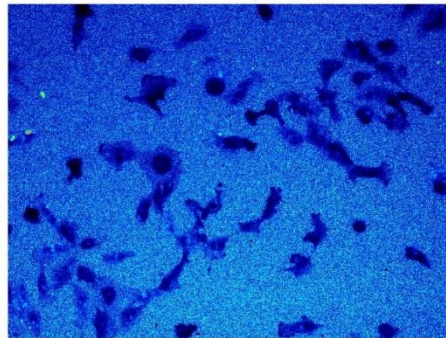
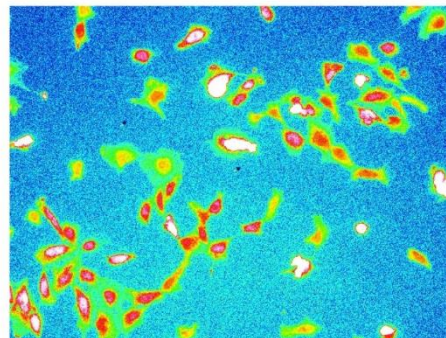
Supplementary Fig. S2. I_{Ag} was partially reverted after wash out. **A)** Time course of inward current at -90 mV before (1), after application 10 μM Ag⁺ (2) and during wash-out (3 and 4). The dates points represent the currents recorded at -90 mv obtained during voltage ramp from -100 to 100 mv (1 second duration) from a V_h of 0 mV repeated every 5 s. **B)** Representative current ramps taken at the times indicated in the relative time course shown in A.

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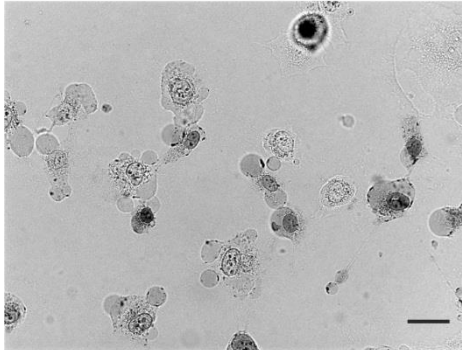
Ag⁺10 μM (free calcium)Ag⁺10 μM (2 mM calcium)**B**

Cysteine 20 μM

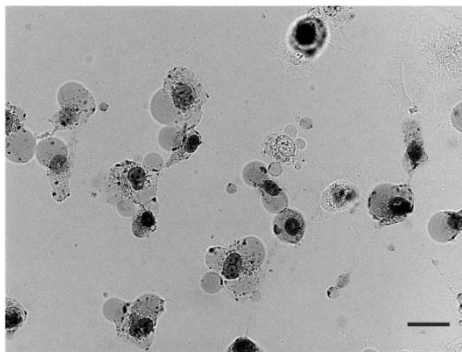
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Supplementary Fig. S3. Representative pseudo-colours calcium imaging of experimental data from fig. 2. A) and B) Pseudo-colours calcium imaging captures at the time indicating in Fig 2A and 2B respectively. Intracellular calcium levels is indicated on a rainbow scale with blue represent low $[Ca^{2+}]_i$ and orange/red high $[Ca^{2+}]_i$.

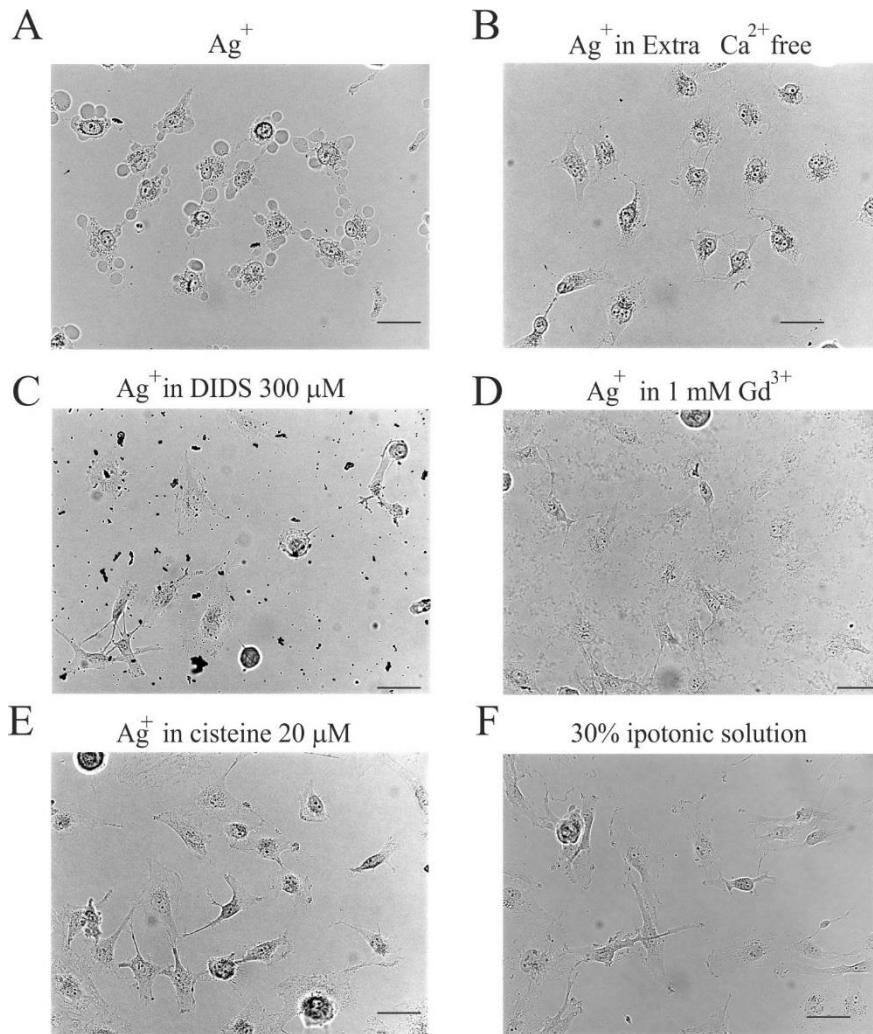
before tripan blue staining



after 5 minutes of tripan blue staining



Supplementary Fig. S4. Tripan blue assay in Ag⁺ -induced blebbing cells. Images of U251 exposed for 30 min to 3 μ M of silver ions before and after 5 min of 10% v/v of tripan blue staining. Scaling bars: 20 μ m.



Supplementary Fig. S5. Blockers of IAg abolished silver ions induced morphological changes in U251 cells. A) Blebs formation after 30 minutes of 3 μM silver ions treatment in U251 cells. Blebs formation is abolished when Silver ions is applied in Ca^{2+} -free medium (B) and when silver ions was co-applied with 300 μM DIDS (C), 1 mM Gd^{3+} (D) or 20 μM cysteine (E). Ipotonic conditions do not allow blebs formation, although swelling was detect (F). Scaling bars: 20 μm .