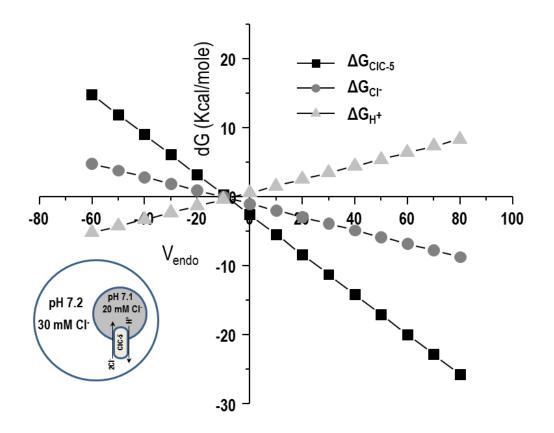


Supplementary Figure 1. Quantification of CIC-5 (EGFP) colocalization with early endosomes marker (EEA1-Red) in renal epithelial cells transfected with CIC-5 WT or mutants. ClC-5⁺/EEA1⁺ double positive pixels were measured using ImageJ and normalized to total EEA1⁺ pixels. ClC-5 WT, S244L, and R345W strongly colocalized with EEA1, while expression of Q629^{*} in early endosomes was significantly blunted. ***, p<0.001.



Supplementary Figure 2. Hypothetical driving force of ClC-5 transport at early endosome estimated using Gibbs free energy equation in relation to various endosomal membrane potential (V_{endo}). The total free energy for ClC-5 transport $\Delta G_{ClC-5} = 2x(\Delta G_{Cl}) - 1x(\Delta G_{H^+})$; $[Cl_{out}] = 30$ mM, $[Cl_{in}] = 20$ mM and $pH_{out} = 7.2$, $pH_{in} = 7.1$.