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In Brief

Clathrin/adaptor protein-1 (AP-1) coats control the transport of specific cargoes between the biosynthetic and endocytic pathways. Anitei et al. illustrate the coordination of protein networks controlling the biophysical properties of lipid bilayers, actin-based mechanical forces, and membrane curvature during clathrin/AP-1-coated carrier biogenesis.

Highlights

- Clathrin/AP-1-coated vesicles mediate transport between Golgi and endosomes
- The transition between flat and curved membranes requires PI[4]P to DAG conversion
- Lipid conversion is coupled to mechanical forces provided by actin polymerization
- Membrane curvature sensors arfaptins-1/2 guide transport carrier scission



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SUMMARY

Clathrin/adaptor protein-1-coated carriers connect the secretory and the endocytic pathways. Carrier biogenesis relies on distinct protein networks changing membrane shape at the trans-Golgi network, each regulating coat assembly, F-actin-based mechanical forces, or the biophysical properties of lipid bilayers. How these different hubs are spatiotemporally coordinated remains largely unknown. Using in vitro reconstitution systems, quantitative proteomics, and lipidomics, as well as in vivo cell-based assays, we characterize the protein networks controlling membrane lipid composition, membrane shape, and carrier scission. These include PIP5K1A and phospholipase C-beta 3 controlling the conversion of PI[4]P into diacylglycerol. PIP5K1A binding to RAC1 provides a link to F-actin-based mechanical forces needed to tubulate membranes. Tubular membranes then recruit the BAR-domain-containing arfaptin-1/2 guiding carrier scission. These findings provide a framework for synchronizing the chemical/biophysical properties of lipid bilayers, F-actinbased mechanical forces, and the activity of proteins sensing membrane shape during clathrin/adaptor protein-1-coated carrier biogenesis.

INTRODUCTION

In mammalian cells, clathrin and adaptor protein-1 (AP-1) coats mediate the trafficking of specific cargoes between the biosynthetic and endocytic pathways. These cargoes include the mannose 6-phosphate receptors (MPRs) and their bound newly synthesized lysosomal enzymes, trafficking between the *trans*-Golgi network (TGN) and the endolysosomal system to maintain cell homeostasis (Ghosh et al., 2003; Le Borgne and Hoflack, 1998). They also include signaling receptors such as Notch/Delta regulating cell differentiation and tissue organization (Le Borgne, 2006).

Clathrin/AP-1 coat assembly onto flat membranes relies on the recognition of a mosaic of membrane components, comprising phosphatidylinositol-4 phosphate (PI[4]P), sorting signals present in the cytoplasmic domains of their specific cargoes, and the small GTPase ADP ribosylation factor 1 (ARF1) (Baust et al., 2006; Traub and Bonifacino, 2013). The next stage involves mechanisms allowing flat membranes to change their shape into bended structures. This involves not only coats, but also ENTH/ANTH-domain-containing proteins (Legendre-Guillemin et al., 2004) able to insert an amphipathic helix into the cytosolic leaflet of lipid bilayers, as also does the ARF1 GTPase (Lundmark et al., 2008), increasing lipid bilayer asymmetry and mechanically bending membranes. Changes in membrane shape also require mechanical forces provided by actin polymerization (Anitei and Hoflack, 2011; Anitei et al., 2010). Clathrin/AP-1 coat assembly initiates the recruitment of actin nucleation promoting factors, which, upon activation by the RAC1 GTPase, promote ARP2/3-dependent actin polymerization toward membranes, thereby providing forces able to overcome membrane rigidity (Anitei et al., 2010; Kaksonen et al., 2006). Filamentous actin (F-actin)-based forces generate tubular membrane structures onto which curvature-sensitive Bin-Amphiphysin-Rvs (BAR) domain proteins can be recruited, as seen during endocytosis (Qualmann et al., 2011).

The transition from flat to curved membranes also entails lipid modifications and a reorganization of lipid bilayers. These modifications engage phosphoinositides (PIPs), which provide membrane identity and are selectively recognized by PIP-interacting proteins that sustain carrier formation (Di Paolo and De Camilli, 2006). On the other hand, the biosynthesis of conical lipids such as diacylglycerol (DAG), phosphatidic acid (PA), or ly-sophospholipids changes the biophysical properties of lipid bilayers inducing membrane curvature (Haucke and Di Paolo, 2007).

How coat assembly, modifications in the biochemical and biophysical properties of lipid bilayers and F-actin-based forces are spatiotemporally coordinated during a single step of membrane traffic to change membrane shape, and how these changes are sensed by proteins controlling later events of carrier biogenesis, remain poorly understood. Here, we identify and illustrate the functional importance of the protein networks that spatiotemporally coordinate biochemical, biophysical, and mechanical reactions during clathrin/AP-1-coated carrier biogenesis.

RESULTS

Protein Networks Enriched on Flat and Tubular Clathrin/ AP-1-Coated Membranes

To identify the protein networks regulating the different stages of clathrin/AP-1-coated transport carrier biogenesis, we used synthetic membrane biology and quantitative mass-spectrometry-based proteomics. Synthetic liposomes containing PI[4]P and the cytoplasmic domain of an AP-1 cargo (the varicella zoster virus gE/gpl protein) preferentially recruit clathrin/AP-1 coats from mouse brain cytosolic extracts in the presence of GTP_Ys (Baust et al., 2006). In the presence of ATP, actin polymerization occurs, and flat GUV membranes form tubular projections (Anitei et al., 2010) (Figures 1A and 1B) recapitulating clathrin/AP-1-coated carrier biogenesis in live cells (Waguri et al., 2003). We used O¹⁸/O¹⁶ labeling during trypsin digestion (Figures 1B and 1C) and label free quantitative analysis (Figure S1B) to identify proteins selectively recruited onto flat versus tubular clathrin/ AP-1-coated membranes (Figure 1C; Table S1) and enriched on clathrin/AP-1-coated versus non-coated membranes (Figure S1B; Table S2), respectively. Pathway enrichment analysis (Figures 1D and S1A; Table S1) showed that the proteins recruited onto flat membranes (no ATP) were mostly associated with TGN- and lysosome-associated trafficking pathways and included coat components (i.e., clathrin and AP-1 subunits), PI[4]-kinase beta (PI4KB) (Baust et al., 2006), which generates PI[4]P from PI (Godi et al., 1999), and casein kinase II (CSK2B/ CSNK2B), which phosphorylates MPR cytoplasmic tails and AP-1 at the TGN (Méresse et al., 1990; Doray et al., 2002; Méresse and Hoflack, 1993) (Figure S1A). In contrast, tubular membranes (incubated with ATP) recruited components of the actin cytoskeleton regulatory pathway (e.g., RAC1, ARP2/3 complex subunits, the ARP2/3 regulatory Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome-like protein [WASL], and p21 protein [Cdc42/Rac]-activated kinases [PAKs]), as well as components of the phospholipid metabolism pathway [i.e., the PI[4]P 5-kinases type I alpha [PIP5K1A/PI51A], beta, and gamma, which produce PI[4,5]P2]) (Figures 1C and 1D). On clathrin/AP-1-coated liposomes, we have also identified phospholipases beta 1 (PLCB1) and 3 (PLCB3) (Díaz Añel, 2007), enzymes that can hydrolyze PI[4,5]P2 (Figure S1B; Table S2). Western blot analysis confirmed the enrichments of RAC1, PIP5K1A, and PLCB3 on tubular membranes and indicated a preferential recruitment of the Golgi-localized BAR domain proteins arfaptin-2 (ARFP2) (Man et al., 2011; Cruz-Garcia et al., 2013) and arfaptin-1 (Kanoh et al., 1997) (Figures 1E and 1F). Latrunculin B, an actin polymerization inhibitor, significantly reversed the enrichment of PIP5K1A, PLCB3, RAC1, and arfaptin-1/2, indicating that actin-dependent membrane tubulation, and not ATP alone, was necessary for their recruitment (Figures 1E and 1F). In conclusion, an increase in clathrin/AP-1-coated membrane curvature coincides with the recruitment of PIP converting enzymes, of the machinery for RAC1-dependent actin polymerization, and of arfaptins sensing and/or imposing membrane curvature.

PIP5K1A and PLCB3 Control DAG Synthesis and Clathrin/AP-1 Carrier Biogenesis

We next investigated if PIP5K1A and PLCB3 played any role in clathrin/AP-1-coated carrier biogenesis in cells. The small interfering RNA (siRNA)-mediated knock down of PIP5K1A or PLCB3 in HeLa cells stably expressing GFP-tagged CIMPR tail made of the CIMPR transmembrane and cytoplasmic domains (GFP-MPR) (Waguri et al., 2003) caused a fragmentation of the GFP-MPR-rich TGN, without affecting AP-1 coat association with membranes (Figures 2A, 2B, 2E, and S2A). Time-lapse microscopy showed that PIP5K1A or PLCB3 depletion significantly reduced the formation of post-TGN GFP-MPR-containing tubules connecting the biosynthetic and endocytic pathways (Waguri et al., 2003) (Figures 2C and 2D; Movie S1). Thus, PIP5K1A and PLCB3, although not critical for clathrin/AP-1 coat assembly, were rate-limiting for clathrin/AP-1-coated carrier biogenesis, possibly by locally modifying the lipid composition of the membrane. Using a specific antibody, we could detect PI[4,5]P2 in the GFP-MPR⁺ trans-Golgi region, but in low amounts (Figure 2E). This could be due to its hydrolysis by PI[4,5]P2 phosphatases or by PLCs. Indeed, depletion of PLCB3 significantly increased the amount of PI[4,5]P2 co-detected with GFP-MPR in the peri-nuclear region, in contrast, PI[4.5]P2 was reduced to control levels in cells treated with both siPIP5K1A and siPLCB3, thereby illustrating the importance of these two enzymes (Figures 2E-2G). By fluorescence microscopy, PIP5K1A was detectable at multiple locations in the cell, including the peri-nuclear GFP-MPR⁺ area (Figure 2H), and PLCB3 was detected on subdomains of the GFP-MPR⁺ structures in the TGN region (Figure 2I). These data indicate that PIP5K1A and PLCB3 could contribute to lipid metabolism on Golgi membranes; i.e., by converting PI[4]P into PI[4,5]P2 and PI[4,5]P2 into DAG, respectively.

To test this hypothesis, we used HEK cells stably expressing the yellow-fluorescent protein (YFP)-tagged DAG-binding C1 domain of protein kinase C beta (YFP-DBD) (Gallegos et al., 2006). This DAG sensing probe bound Golgi membranes (Baron and Malhotra, 2002), where it co-localized with GM130 and RFP-MPR and on TGN-derived tubules carrying red fluorescent protein (RFP)-MPR (Figure S2B). Depletion of either PIP5K1A or PLCB3 significantly reduced the amount of Golgi-bound YFP-DBD (Figures 3A and 3B). The addition of the DAG analog phorbol 12,13-dibutyrate (PDBu) to PIP5K1A- and PLCB3depleted cells partially reversed TGN fragmentation and increased GFP-MPR tubule formation (Figures 3C–3E). Thus, PIP5K1A and PLCB3 may contribute to MPR trafficking by controlling DAG production from PI[4]P.

To test if PI[4]P was required for DAG synthesis on Golgi membranes, we used the acute PI[4]P depletion system (Szentpetery et al., 2010) in which the monomeric RFP (mRFP)-tagged 12 kD FK506-binding protein (mRFP-FKBP12), alone or fused to the



Figure 1. Identification of Proteins Enriched on Tubular Membranes during Clathrin/AP-1 Carrier Biogenesis

(A and B) GUVs (A) or liposomes (B) containing a gE/gpl cd peptide, PI[4]P, and the lipid dye Dil-C18 (A) were incubated with mouse brain cytosol, GTP_YS, and without or with ATP triggering membrane tubulation (on $54 \pm 10\%$ of GUVs; n = 6 independent experiments; >100 GUVs; and mean \pm SD). Scale bars, 10 μ m. (B) Liposomes were purified by floatation, and bound proteins were separated by SDS-PAGE. Gel slices were cut out and in-gel trypsin digested in the presence of either H₂O¹⁶ (+ATP) or H₂O¹⁸ (-ATP). Tryptic peptides of the corresponding gel slices were pooled and analyzed by liquid chromatography-tandem mass spectrometry (LC-MS/MS). The intensity ratios between heavy (¹⁸O) and light (¹⁶O) peptides were calculated.

(C) Proteins with a ratio $-ATP/+ATP \ge 1.6$ were considered as enriched on flat membranes, whereas those with a ratio $-ATP/+ATP \ge 0.4$ as enriched on tubular membranes (Table S1). Vertical lines indicate the 0.4 and 1.6 thresholds. Selected hits are indicated with their corresponding UniProt entry names.

(D) Pathway enrichment of the proteins preferentially recruited onto liposomes incubated with ATP was calculated using the gene set enrichment analysis (GSEA) (Mootha et al., 2003; Subramanian et al., 2005). The false discovery rate (FDR) q-value was calculated for each set.

(E and F) Liposomes containing gE/gpI cd peptide and PI[4]P were incubated with HeLa cell cytosol, GTP γ S, with or without ATP, and with or without 20 μ M latrunculin B (LatB). Recruited proteins were analyzed by western blotting using the respective antibodies (E) and quantified using ImageJ (F) (mean \pm SD; n = 4 independent experiments; **p < 0.005; *p < 0.05; significance was calculated using one-way ANOVA).

PI[4]P phosphatase Sac1 (mRFP-FKBP12-Sac1), and the CFPtagged FKBP12-rapamycin-binding (FRB) domain fused to the *trans*-Golgi membrane protein TGN38 were expressed in cells. Upon rapamycin treatment, CFP-FRB-TGN38 recruits mRFP-FKBP12-Sac1 on the Golgi, thus leading to the acute depletion of PI[4]P. This depletion was monitored using the GFP-tagged PH domain of FAPP1 (GFP-PH-FAPP1) that binds to PI[4]P (Figure 3F). Acute PI[4]P depletion significantly reduced the binding of both GFP-PH-FAPP1 (Figures 3F and 3I) and YFP-DBD onto Golgi membranes (Figures 3G and 3J). Such changes were not observed in cells expressing control mRFP-FKBP12 without the PI[4]P phosphatase Sac1. Thus, PI[4]P is a significant source of DAG on Golgi membranes. In addition to PI[4]P, several biosynthetic pathways control DAG production (Figure S3A), and we tested their relative contributions to GFP-MPR transport (Figures S3B–S3I). First, ARF1-dependent PLD, a PI[4,5]P2-activated enzyme produces PA, a source of DAG, from phosphatidylcholine (PC) (Sciorra et al., 1999; Brown et al., 1993). However, depletion of PLD1 or PLD2 did not significantly reduce YFP-DBD binding to the Golgi or GFP-MPR tubule formation. On the contrary, PLD2



Figure 2. PIP5KA and PLCB3 Regulate Clathrin/AP-1 Carrier Biogenesis

(A and B) Efficiency of PIP5K1A and PLCB3 depletion was evaluated by western blot (A) and quantified using ImageJ (B) (n = 3).

(C) GFP-MPR-expressing cells treated with siNon2, siPIP5K1A, or siPLCB3 for 72 hr were analyzed by live cell imaging (2 min; 0.5 s per frame; Movie S1). The images were inverted.

(D) The numbers of TGN-derived tubules formed per cell during 2 min were quantified (n = 3; *p < 0.01; **p < 0.001; and >50 cells/condition).

(E) GFP-MPR-expressing cells treated with the indicated siRNAs for 72 hr were fixed, co-labeled with an antibody against PI[4,5]P2 (red), and analyzed by confocal microscopy. The arrows indicate PI[4,5]P2 punctate structures localized in the GFP-MPR⁺ peri-nuclear area.

(F and G) PI[4,5]P2 localization in the GFP-MPR⁺ area was quantified using ImageJ. Images represent 3D volume views of image z stacks. The number of PI[4,5]P2 objects in the GFP-MPR area (F) and the ratio between the (PI[4,5]P2 area)/(GFP-MPR area) (G), relative to control, are shown. n = 4 independent experiments; >100 cells per condition; p value_{siPLCB3} = 0.0031 (F); and p value_{siPLCB3} = 0.00055 (G).

(H and I) GFP-MPR-expressing HeLa cells were co-labeled with antibodies against PIP5K1A (H, red) or PLCB3 (I, red). The arrows indicate PIP5K1A (H, inset) or PLCB3 (I) localized to the GFP-MPR⁺ TGN. Scale bars, 10 μm.

Data are shown as mean \pm SD (B and D) and median \pm SD (F and G).

knock down increased the number of GFP-MPR tubules (6.44 \pm 0.56 tubules per cell in 2 min; mean \pm SD) compared to control (4.56 ± 0.47) , consistent with its suggested role in carrier scission (Yang et al., 2008) (Figures S3J and S3K). Second, PA originating from other sources, such as lysophosphatidic acid (LPA), might as well contribute to DAG synthesis on the Golgi (Schmidt and Brown, 2009) (Figure S3A). Depletion of PPAP2A, a LPA and PA phosphatase (Smyth et al., 2003) important for MPR trafficking (Anitei et al., 2014), significantly reduced both YFP-DBD binding to Golgi membranes and the number of TGN-derived GFP-MPR tubules (Figures S3D–S3H). Third, sphingomyelin (SM) synthases convert ceramide and PC into DAG and SM (Huitema et al., 2004) (Figure S3A). Cell treatment with fumonisin B1, an inhibitor of this pathway, reduced the amount of DAG on the Golgi, as previously shown (Baron and Malhotra, 2002; Wang et al., 1991) (Figures S3D and S3E), without altering the recruitment of the PI[4]P-binding GFP-PH-FAPP1 (Figure S3F). Fumonisin B1 reduced the number of GFP-MPR tubules compared to control (Figures S3G and S3H; Movie S2), but to a lower degree compared to the depletion of PIP5K1A or PLCB3 (Figure 2D, above). Ceramide is transported from the endoplasmic reticulum (ER) to the Golgi by the ceramide transfer protein CERT (Hanada et al., 2009), which has a PI[4]Pbinding PH domain (Fugmann et al., 2007), and could thus link DAG and PI[4]P metabolism (Figure S3A). However, CERT recruitment to the Golgi was not significantly affected after a short-term, acute PI[4]P depletion (Figures 3H and 3K) or by PIP5K1A or PLCB3 knockdown (Figure S3L). Together, these data indicate that several pathways, including a PI[4]P-dependent mechanism, contribute, albeit to different extents, to DAG synthesis on Golgi membranes during clathrin/AP-1 carrier budding.

PI[4]P-Derived DAG Production on Synthetic Membranes

We then investigated whether the PI[4]P to DAG conversion on Golgi membranes could be recapitulated in vitro. We used two types of clathrin/AP-1-coated liposomes, the first one containing a mixture of PC, phosphatidylethanolamine (PE), phosphatidylserine (PS), cholesterol, and PI[4]P (as in Figure 1C, above), and the second one, in which PC, a potential PI[4]P-independent DAG source (Baron and Malhotra, 2002), was replaced by SM. Liposomes were incubated with GTP γ S and cytosol from HEK cells stably expressing either GFP-tagged PI[4,5]P2-sensing PH domain of PLC-& (GFP-PH-PLC&) (Stauffer et al., 1998) or the DAG-binding YFP-DBD. Liposomes were pelleted and analyzed by western blotting, and the amounts of recruited proteins were quantified. In the presence of ATP, PIP5K1A, PLCB3, and the probes sensing PI[4,5]P2 and DAG were progressively recruited onto PC- or SM-containing synthetic membranes (Figures 4A 4B, and S4A). It is worth noting that GFP-PH-PLCo did not bind control liposomes, but was specifically recruited to PI[4,5]P2-containing liposomes and to PI[4] P-liposomes after incubation with ATP (Figure S1C).

Lipid conversion was then analyzed by thin layer chromatography. On liposomes containing PC or SM, PI[4]P was consumed within 10 min of incubation in the presence of ATP and concomitantly DAG was detected (Figures 4C and 4D). We also used mass-spectrometry-based lipidomics to analyze the lipid composition of PC- or SM-containing liposomes (Figures 4E–4G). DAG production was readily detected, although it was slower on SM-containing when compared to PC-containing liposomes (Figures 4E and 4F). The nature of the fatty acids present in the newly produced DAG was identical to those in natural or synthetic [17:0-20:4 (37:4)] PI[4]P incorporated in liposomes (Figure 4G). Altogether, these biochemical analyses indicated that on both PC- and SM-containing clathrin/AP-1-coated liposomes, PI[4]P was a major source of DAG.

Actin Dynamics and Lipid Metabolism Co-occur during Membrane Tubulation

We have demonstrated that PI[4]P-dependent DAG synthesis occurs during clathrin/AP-1-coated membrane tubulation in vitro. The question that has arisen was whether PI[4]P was actually required for membrane deformation. To examine this hypothesis, SM-containing GUVs were incubated with cytosol of HEK cells stably expressing GFP-actin, PI[4,5]P2, or DAG lipid sensors. Upon incubation with ATP, GUVs containing PI[4]P, but not control GUVs, changed their shape, switching from flat to tubular, GFPactin-labeled structures, and PI[4,5]P2 and DAG were readily detected on their surface by GFP-PH-PLC₀ and YFP-DBD (Figures 5A-5D). Tubule formation was significantly reduced when PI[4] P-containing GUVs were incubated with cytosol of PLCB3depleted HEK cells (Figure 5D). Concomitant changes in membrane shape and lipid probe recruitment were also observed in PC-containing GUVs upon ATP addition (Figures S4B-S4E). Thus, PI[4]P, and possibly its conversion into PI[4,5]P2 and DAG, were essential for tubule elongation from GUV membranes.

RAC1 Connects Lipid Metabolism and Actin Polymerization

We have previously shown that tubulation of clathrin/AP-1-coated membranes requires RAC1 and ARP2/3 complexdependent actin polymerization toward membranes (Anitei et al., 2010). Therefore, the question is how these events are coordinated with the conversion of PI[4]P into DAG. DAG synthesis, through protein kinase C (PKC) recruitment and activation of PKC-dependent pathways, could modify actin dynamics; e.g., via the regulation of ARP2/3 complex localization, as observed at cell leading edges (Yang et al., 2013). However, depletion of PLCB3, while reducing the recruitment of the PKC beta (Figure 3A, above), did not significantly modify the localization of the ARP2/3 complex subunit p34-Arc on GFP-MPR membranes (Figures S4F and S4G). On the other hand, PI[4]P significantly increased the recruitment of RAC1 on liposomes (Figure 5E). RAC1 interacts with the PI[4]P-modifying enzyme PIP5K1A (Tolias et al., 2000; Chao et al., 2010). We found that PIP5K1A and GTP-RAC1 could be co-immunoprecipitated from cells using beads coated with a GST-tagged PAK p21-binding domain (PBD) that specifically binds to active RAC1/CDC42 (Figure 5F). In addition, less GTP-RAC1 was immunoprecipitated from cell lysates after PIP5K1A depletion (Figures 5G and 5H). Conversely, the overexpression of the dominant-positive CyPet-RAC1Q71L mutant in HeLa cells triggered the formation of an enlarged AP-1-coated compartment onto which myc-PIP5K1A was heavily recruited (Figure 5I). Thus, RAC1 could recruit on membranes PIP5K1A, which could enhance RAC1- and ARP2/3-dependent actin dynamics. Accordingly, PIP5K1A



depletion reduced p34-Arc recruitment on GFP-MPR membranes, compared to control (Figures S4F and S4G). This suggests that RAC1 could provide a link between PIP5K1A recruitment, and thus lipid conversion, and ARP2/3-dependent actin polymerization during membrane tubulation.

Arfaptins-1/2 Control Clathrin/AP-1-Coated Carrier Scission

In addition to its function in actin polymerization, RAC1 also binds the BAR domain protein family members arfaptin-1 and -2 (Shin and Exton, 2001; Cruz-Garcia et al., 2013). Arfaptin-2 was recruited on clathrin/AP-1-coated membranes (Table S2), and both arfaptin-1 and -2 were enriched upon membrane tubulation (Figures 1E and 1F, above). Since BAR domain proteins can both sense and impose membrane curvature (Qualmann et al., 2011), it was important to assess their potential contribution to clathrin/AP-1-coated membrane deformation. In HeLa cells, endogenous and fluorescent-tagged arfaptin-1 and arfaptin-2 overlapped with each other and with MPR in the TGN region and on endosomes (Figures 6A, 6B, S5A, and S5B). A subpopulation of TGN-derived tubules contained arfaptin-1 and MPR, and the arfaptin-1-containing tubules were coated by AP-1 (Figures 6A-6D; Movies S3 and S4). On artificial membranes, GFPtagged arfaptin-2 was detected as patches on the surface of flat GUVs, but it preferentially bound to tubules projecting from GUV surfaces upon ATP addition (Figure 6E). These findings indicate that arfaptins-1 and -2 are important for clathrin/AP-1-dependent trafficking. To test this, we co-depleted arfaptin-1 and -2 in GFP-MPR-expressing cells and found that their depletion increased both the number and length of GFP-MPR-containing carriers when compared to control (Figures 6F-6I and S5C; Movies S1 and S5). Interestingly, 55% of the scission events (n = 32 cells) on tubules containing mCherry-arfaptin-1 and GFP-MPR occurred at the edges of arfaptin-positive domains (Figures 6J and S5D). Thus, arfaptins-1/2 are required for the scission of clathrin/AP-1-coated carriers, but not for their biogenesis, which requires coordinated actin polymerization and PI[4]P turnover.

DISCUSSION

We have previously illustrated how coordinated clathrin/AP-1 coat assembly and actin polymerization provide mechanical

forces required for overcoming membrane rigidity and changing membrane shape at the TGN (Anitei et al., 2010). Here, we illustrate how changes in membrane lipid composition (i.e., PI [4]P-dependent DAG synthesis), and actin-based forces are coordinated to change membrane shape, thereby allowing the binding of the BAR-domain-containing arfaptins that guide carrier scission. Altogether, these studies provide a biochemical, biophysical, and mechanical framework spatiotemporally orchestrating post-Golgi transport to the endosomal/lysosomal system.

At the TGN, PI[4]P is important for clathrin/AP-1 coat assembly (Wang et al., 2003; Baust et al., 2006). Here, we demonstrate that PI[4]P conversion to DAG, possibly via the intermediate PI[4,5] P2, occurs during clathrin/AP-1-coated carrier biogenesis. Our results suggest that PI[4]P may be converted by PIP5K1A into PI[4,5]P2 that is rapidly converted by PLCB3 into DAG. This conclusion is supported by the lipidomic analysis of liposomes showing that PI[4]P and the produced DAG contain the very same unsaturated fatty acids. Such lipid conversion may be required for carrier formation, similar to how PI[4,5]P2 to PI[3,4] P2 conversion functions during endocytosis (Posor et al., 2013). DAG is easily detected on the Golgi, whereas PIP5K1A and PI[4,5]P2 are detectable only in small amounts in the GFP-MPR⁺ TGN region, as well as on clathrin/AP-1-coated artificial membranes in the presence of ATP and $GTP_{\gamma}S$. The low amounts of PI[4,5]P2 on the TGN may be caused by the transient recruitment of enzymes, such as PIP5K1A caused by RAC1 activation/inactivation cycles, as seen during cell migration (Chao et al., 2010), or by PI[4,5]P2 rapid modification by phosphatases or PLCs. PLCB3 is important for GFP-MPR carrier budding from the TGN, and it may also control other trafficking pathways; i.e., vesicular stomatitis virus G protein (VSV-G) post-TGN transport (Díaz Añel, 2007). Another member of the PLC family, PLC_Y1, affects DAG production at the Golgi upon cargo arrival, but at a low degree at steady state (Sicart et al., 2014), indicating that it controls this pathway together with other PLCs (i.e., PLCB3).

Multiple metabolic pathways contribute to DAG synthesis. Our study argues that PI[4]P is a major source of DAG needed for clathrin/AP-1-coated carrier formation. While excluding the intervention of PLD1 and PLD2 in this process, our study confirms that DAG is partly derived from a PC/ceramide pathway (Baron and Malhotra, 2002), but also from PA conversion by acyl-transferase PPAP2A, functionally similar to lipid phosphate

Figure 3. PIP5KA and PLCB3 Regulate DAG Synthesis on Golgi Membranes

(C) GFP-MPR-expressing cells incubated with the indicated siRNAs for 72 hr were incubated with control DMSO or with the DAG analog 0.25 µM PDBu for 5 hr, fixed, and co-labeled with anti-GM130 antibodies (red).

(D) The areas of the GFP-MPR⁺ TGN and total cell areas were measured using ImageJ. The ratios (TGN area)/(total cell area) are shown for each condition (n = 3; **p = 0.002; *p = 0.036; and >120 cells/condition).

(I–K) Fluorescence intensities in the TGN region and in the cytosol were measured for cells expressing GFP-PH-FAPP1 (I), YFP-DBD (J), or GFP-CERT (K), and the ratio TGN/cytosol was calculated (n = 3 independent experiments in duplicate; >100 cells/condition; median \pm SD; and **p < 0.001). Scale bars, 10 μ m.

⁽A) HEK cells stably expressing YFP-DBD were treated with the indicated siRNAs and fixed after 72 hr. The arrows indicate the peri-nuclear, YFP-DBD⁺ region. (B) Mean fluorescence intensities of YFP-DBD were measured on the Golgi area and in the cytosol using ImageJ. The Golgi/cytosol ratios are shown ($n \ge 3$; ** $p \le 0.003$; and >100 cells/condition).

⁽E) GFP-MPR-expressing cells treated as in (C) were analyzed by time-lapse microscopy (2 min, 0.5 s per frame). The number of TGN-derived tubules formed in one cell during 2 min were quantified (n = 3; **p \leq 0.005; and >80 cells/condition). Data are shown as mean \pm SD (B, D, and E).

⁽F–H) HeLa cells were co-transfected with CFP-FRB-Tgn38, mRFP-FKBP12-Sac1, or mRFP-FKBP12, and GFP-PH-FAPP1 (F), YFP-DBD (G), or GFP-CERT (H). After 1 day, cells were incubated with 1 µM rapamycin for 20 min, then fixed, and analyzed by confocal microscopy. Fluorescence intensities along the lines are shown (right panels).



Figure 4. PI[4]P to DAG Conversion on Synthetic Membranes

(A and B) Liposomes containing the gE/gpl cd peptide, PI[4]P, and PC (A) or SM (B) were incubated with ATP, GTP_γS, and cytosol of HEK cells expressing YFP-DBD or GFP-PLCδ-PH for the indicated times, in the presence of control DMSO or 20 μM LatB. Proteins recruited onto liposomes were analyzed by western



Figure 5. DAG Production and Actin Polymerization during Clathrin/AP-1-Coated Carrier Biogenesis

(A–C) SM-containing GUVs with or without PI[4]P were incubated with GTP γ S, ATP, and cytosol from HEK cells stably expressing GFP-PLC δ -PH (A), YFP-DBD (B), or GFP-actin (C) and analyzed by microscopy.

(D) The percentages of GUVs that recruited GFP-PLC δ -PH, YFP-DBD, or displayed GFP-actin tubules longer than 1 μ m are shown. In the last two conditions in the graph, GUVs containing PI[4]P were incubated with cytosol of GFP-actin-expressing cells treated with siNon2 or siPLCB3 (mean \pm SD; n = 3; **p < 0.001; *p < 0.02; and >25 GUVs/condition). GUVs were analyzed by confocal microscopy. Scale bars, 10 μ m.

(E) Liposomes containing gE/gpl cd peptide, SM, GTP γ S, ±ATP, or ±PI[4]P, were incubated with HeLa cell cytosol for 15 min. RAC1 recruitment on liposomes was analyzed by western blot using anti-RAC1 antibodies.

(F and G) HeLa cells were treated with the indicated siRNAs for 72 hr. Active GTP-bound RAC1 was immunoprecipitated from the corresponding lysates of non-treated (F) or siRNAi-treated (G) cells using GST-PAK PBD beads or control glutathione Sepharose beads and analyzed by western blotting using antibodies against RAC1, PIP5KA, and GAPDH in the immunoprecipitates (GST-PAK-PBD) and whole cell lysates (lysates). (H) The amount of active RAC1 levels by western blot (G) was quantified using ImageJ and normalized to total RAC1 and GAPDH (mean \pm SD; n = 4; and **p < 0.001).

(I) HeLa cells co-transfected with CyPET-Rac1Q71L (blue) and myc-PIP5K1A were fixed and labeled with antibodies against AP-1 γ (green) and myc (red). Fluorescence intensities along the lines are shown (right panels). Cells were analyzed by confocal microscopy. Scale bars, 10 μ m.

phosphatase 3 (PPAP2B) active at the Golgi-ER interface (Gutiérrez-Martínez et al., 2013). These various substrates may generate distinct DAG species with different biophysical properties. For example, it has been suggested that monounsaturated DAG species may be synthesized in the PLD/PA phosphohydro-lase pathway, whereas polyunsaturated DAGs in the PI[4,5]P2/PLC pathway (Pessin and Raben, 1989; Pettitt et al., 1997).

The nature of the fatty acids in DAGs generated from different substrates may influence lipid packing, as suggested for ER-to-Golgi transport (Bigay and Antonny, 2012), and different DAGs may bind and recruit, with different affinities, specific proteins (Wakelam, 1998; Bigay and Antonny, 2012). In addition, DAGs synthesis and their segregation from PIPs may generate membrane nanodomains that recruit specific enzymes

(G) The molecular species profiles detected in the PI[4]P mixture and among the newly synthetized DAG are shown for both PC (red) and SM (blue) liposomes. DAGs were not detected in control samples. The different PI or DAG species were normalized to the total amount of the corresponding lipid class detected in the respective sample (mean \pm SD between technical replicates). Control, untreated liposomes; chol, free cholesterol.

blotting. YFP-DBD and GFP-PH-PLC δ were detected with an anti-GFP. The lower band observed for PLCB3 is a product of endogenous cleavage (Banno et al., 1995), n = 3. Data were quantified as shown in Figure S4A.

⁽C and D) Liposomes were incubated for 10 min with mouse brain cytosol, $GTP_{\gamma}S$, and an ATP regenerating system. Lipids were extracted and analyzed by thinlayer chromatography, using different mobile phases to separate polar lipids (including PI[4]P) (C) or non-polar lipids (including DAG) (D).

⁽E-G) The lipid composition of PC- or SM-containing liposomes (prepared as above) was determined by mass spectrometry.

⁽E) The percentages of PI converted to DAG on PC (red) or SM (blue) liposomes are shown. Average DAG conversion is illustrated with a solid line and a filled symbol; selected DAG species are shown with dash/dot lines and empty symbols. Data are shown as mean ± SD between technical replicates.

⁽F) The lipid class composition of PC (red) and SM (blue) liposomes, as well as the theoretical compositions are shown (gray; mean ± SD between technical replicates). The relative SD for the theoretical composition equals 10%. Mol% PE and PE O– was calculated based on theoretical quantity multiplied by experimental determined ratio.



Figure 6. Arfaptin-1 and -2 Guide Membrane Scission

(A–D) HeLa cells expressing RFP-CIMPR (red) and GFP-arfaptin-1 (A) or GFP-arfaptin-2 (B), or GFP-arfaptin-1 (C), or GFP-arfaptin-2 (D) and co-labeled with anti-AP-1_Y were analyzed by confocal fluorescence microscopy. The right panels illustrate details of tubular structures in the Golgi region.

(E) GUVs containing gE/gpI cd peptide, PI[4]P, and the lipid dye Dil (red) were incubated with GTP_YS and cytosol from HEK cells stably expressing GFP-arfaptin-2, with or without ATP.

(F-I) GFP-MPR cells were treated for 72 hr with siNon2, or siRNAs targeting arfaptin-1 and/or arfaptin-2.

(F and G) The knockdown efficiencies were evaluated by western blotting using indicated antibodies (F) and quantified (G) (mean ± SD; n = 3). Note that both arfaptin-1 isoforms are depleted by siArfaptin-1.

(H) GFP-MPR dynamics in cells depleted of both arfaptin-1 and arfaptin-2 were analyzed by live cell imaging (2 min, 0.5 s per frame). Representative images are shown for each condition (inverted images presented, see Movie S5).

(I) The number and the length of the TGN-derived GFP-MPR⁺ tubules formed during 2 min in one cell were quantified (mean \pm SD; n = 3; *p < 0.03; and \geq 85 cells/ condition).

(J) HeLa cells expressing GFP-MPR and mCherry-arfaptin-1 were analyzed by time-lapse microscopy (2 min, 1 s per frame). Representative frames are depicted. The arrowheads indicate arfaptin-1 recruitment followed by a fission event. Scale bars, 10 μ m (A–C), 8 μ m (F), 10 μ m (I), and 2.5 μ m (K).

(Ahyayauch et al., 2015), such as curvature generators or signaling molecules. For example, recent data indicate that an increase in DAG levels on Golgi membranes, through activation

of PKD-dependent signaling, leads to depletion of PI[4]P and PI[4]P-binding proteins (Capasso et al., 2017). Last, but not least, the conversion of cylindrical, negatively charged, PIPs to conical,

neutral DAGs modifies the biophysical characteristics of membranes (Kozlov et al., 2014).

These changes in the biochemical and biophysical properties of lipid bilayers may sustain the mechanical forces generated by actin polymerization and actin-based motors (Anitei and Hoflack, 2011) needed to overcome membrane rigidity and change membrane shape.

How are the chemical/biophysical properties of membranes and actin-based mechanical forces coordinated to change membrane shape? ARF-1-dependent clathrin/AP-1 coat assembly controls actin polymerization due to interactions between the clathrin heavy chain and CYFIP1/2, a component of the nucleation promoting complex WAVE, that binds RAC1 (Anitei et al., 2010). The activities of the ARF1 and RAC1 are coupled through a complex comprising the GIT1/2 ARF1 GTPase-activating proteins and the β -PIX RAC1 exchange factor (Baust et al., 2006). Activated RAC1 may recruit onto membranes PIP5K1A, an enzyme needed for DAG production and actin polymerization. Thus, clathrin/AP-1 coat assembly, by controlling RAC1 activation, would synchronize membrane lipid modifications and actin polymerization to change membrane shape. These changes may power the subsequent steps in carrier biogenesis; e.g., scission.

The BAR-domain-containing arfaptins-1/2 are recruited onto tubular membranes. They are not essential for the biogenesis of clathrin/AP-1-coated tubules, but guide their scission, as also seen for immature secretory granules (Gehart et al., 2012). How do arfaptins control scission? First, they may recruit proteins involved in scission, such as PLD, PKD, or ARF1 dimers, as seen on COPI-coated membranes (Beck et al., 2011; Shin and Exton, 2005; Williger et al., 1999). Second, arfaptins, by covering lipid domains, may stabilize them and cause lipid segregation (Zhao et al., 2013). Arfaptins may restrict the membrane accessibility of proteins that function in scission (Liu et al., 2006). Although we detected dynamin isoforms on tubular membranes, so far we, and others (Kural et al., 2012), could not show their implication in clathrin/AP-1 carrier scission. Lipid segregation between arfaptin covered and uncovered areas could increase line tension between arfaptin-positive and -negative domains, leading to scission, as described for endocytosis (Johannes and Mayor, 2010; Römer et al., 2010). A recent study argues for this latter hypothesis, demonstrating that, in vitro, a BAR domain protein scaffold creates a frictional barrier for lipid diffusion (Simunovic et al., 2017). During molecular-motor-dependent membrane elongation, this friction between the protein scaffold and the underlying membrane contributes to scission. The next challenge will be to understand how the chemical and biophysical properties of membrane domains and arfaptins contribute to this process.

EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES

Cell Culture

Cells were grown at 37°C and 5% CO₂ in DMEM + GlutaMAX (4.5 mg/mL glucose, containing pyruvate), supplemented with penicillin/streptomycin, 2 mM L-glutamine and 10% (v/v) fetal bovine serum superior (Biochrom, Germany). For transient transfection, 24 hr after seeding, cells were incubated with the indicated DNA constructs and jetPEI reagent (Polyplus-transfection), France) or the indicated siRNAs and INTERFERin (Polyplus-transfection), according to supplier's protocols. Cell lines were obtained as described in Supplemental Experimental Procedures.

Protein Recruitment onto Liposomes and Mass-Spectrometry-Based Proteomic Analysis

Protein recruitment onto liposomes and mass spectrometry-based proteomic analysis were performed as in Baust et al. (2006) and Niehage et al. (2014). Liposomes were made of a mixture of lipids containing PC (1,2-dioleoyl-snglycero-3-phosphocholine), SM (porcine brain extract), PE (porcine brain extract), PS (porcine brain extract), cholesterol (free cholesterol), maleimide lipid anchor (18:1 1,2-dioleoyl-sn-glycero-3-phosphoethanolamine-N-[4-(p-maleimidomethyl)cyclohexane-carboxamide [PE-MCC]), and PI[4]P (porcine brain extract) or (when indicated) PI[4,5]P2 (porcine brain extract) in a molar ratio of 41.5%: 31.5%: 10.5%: 10.5%: 1%: 5%. For GUV formation, Dil-C16 was added in a molar ratio of 0.02%. Liposomes were coupled to the gE/gpl cd peptide (NH2-CGKRMRVKAYRVDKSPYNQSMYYAGLPVDD-FEDSESTDTEE-COOH) synthesized by EZBiolab (IN, USA) or produced as described in Niehage et al. (2014). Cytosolic extract (protein concentration 4 mg/mL) was supplemented with 100 μ M GTP γ S, and, when indicated, an ATP-regeneration system (1 mM ATP, 10 mM creatine phosphate, and 10 $\mu g/mL$ creatine kinase), and 20 μM latrunculin B. Liposomes were added to a final concentration of about 200 nmol/mL. The mixture was incubated at 37°C for indicated times. Reaction was stopped by the addition of 1 mL of cold recruitment buffer. Liposomes were separated from the cytosol mixture by centrifugation (20,000 g for 15 min). Pellets were resuspended in 25 µL of 2× Laemmli buffer and analyzed by SDS-PAGE and western blot or mass spectrometry-based proteomic analysis. GUVs were prepared and analyzed by microscopy as in Anitei et al. (2010) and Bacia et al. (2004). All mass spectrometry data will be made available upon request.

Thin Layer Chromatography and Mass-Spectrometry-Based Lipidomics

Lipids were extracted immediately after liposome incubation with cytosol, and analyzed either by thin layer chromatography (TLC) or by shotgun lipidomics. All mass spectrometry data will be made available upon request.

Microscopy

Fixed samples were imaged using a LSM700 or a LSM780 microscope. Highspeed time-lapse microscopy was performed with an AFLX6000 microscope equipped with an electron multiplying charge-coupled device (EMCCD) detector, with an Axiovert 200 M microscope (Carl Zeiss), or using spinning disk microscopy (Nikon, Japan, PICT-IBiSA Imaging Facility, Paris, France).

RAC1 Activation Assay

Active RAC1 was immunoprecipitated from cell lysates using PAK-GST beads (1 mg/mL, Cytoskeleton Inc., CO, USA) and analyzed by SDS-PAGE and western blot. More details on each method are described in Supplemental Experimental Procedures.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

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