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VENUE:	Meeting Room D014, Level D, Lab 1

Title:

" Dynamin-1: a vesicle fission protein or more than that?"

Abstract:

Dynamin-1 is a large guanosine triphosphatase (GTPase) thought to be critically essential for the fission of synaptic vesicles (SVs) during endocytic recycling¹. Inhibition of dynamin function studies (pharmacologically and by use of mutants) corroborated this idea1.2.3.4. However, studies on conventional dynamin-1 knockout mice with limited postnatal viability, suggest dynamin-1 is required only during intense synaptic activity but is dispensable for basal endocytic vesicle recycling need⁵⁶. These contrasting results from dynamin inhibition and knockout studies led us to understand what role does dynamin-1 play in mature, native brain circuits. Using tissue-specific conditional knockout (cKO) of dynamin-1 at the calyx of Held synapses ex-vivo in mice (P16-20) that are normal outwardly, we found ablation of dynamin-1 did not affect the vesicle resupply rate, basal transmission, and the common synaptic properties⁷. However, strong synaptic stimulation for a short, as well as for longer time periods, enhanced the neurotransmitter release^{7,8} in cKO. Presynaptic membrane capacitance recordings and other data suggest that greater release in the absence of dynamin-1 was due to enhanced availability of release sites within 500 ms7, and increase in the size of SVs within 10s^a, both achieved through an augmented actin-dependent endocytic membrane retrieval process⁷⁸. Thus, implying, in addition to its role in membrane fission, dynamin-1 in native brain circuits may have a role in slowing the endocytosis pace⁷ to quality control better the size of synaptic vesicles⁸.

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