

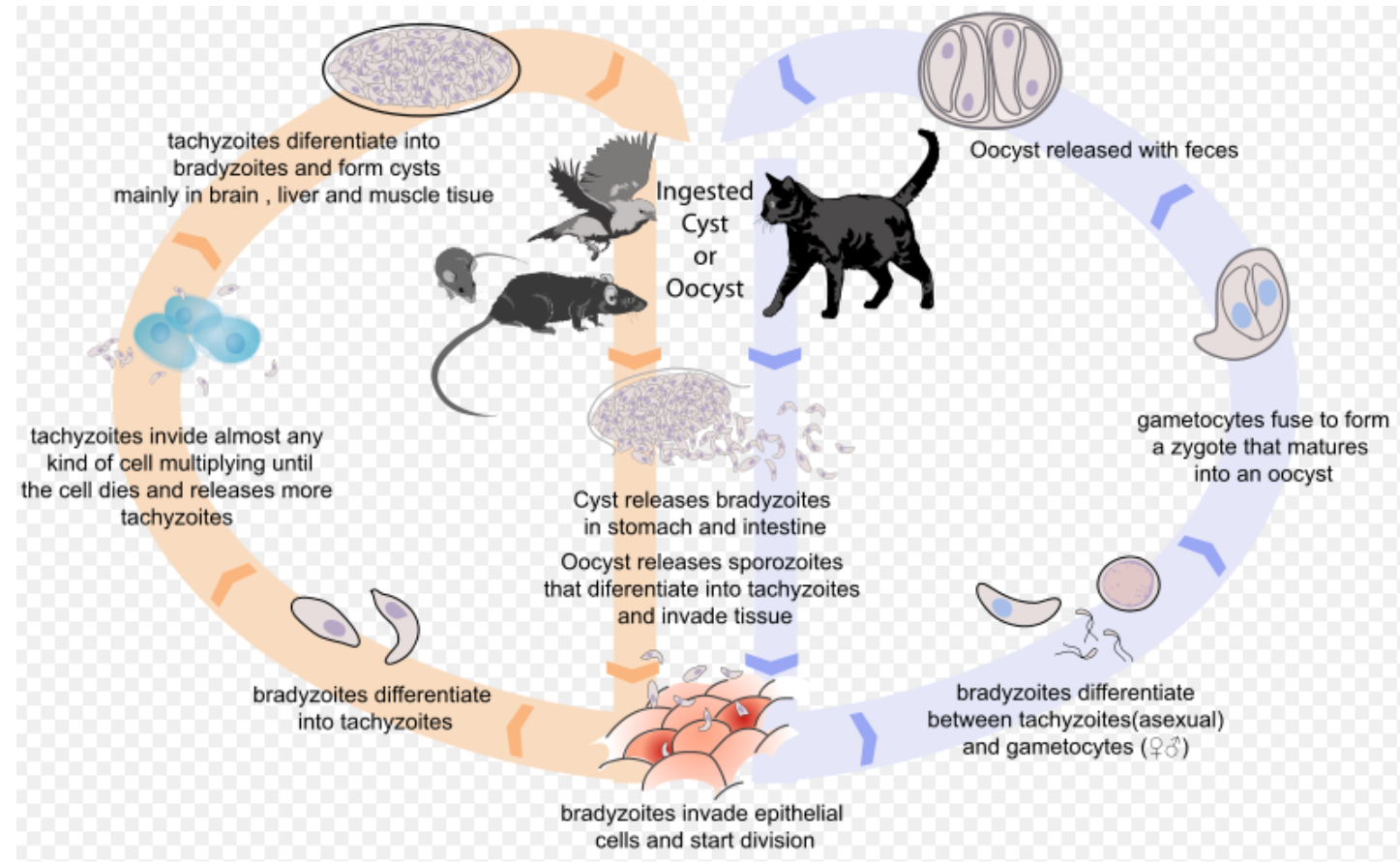
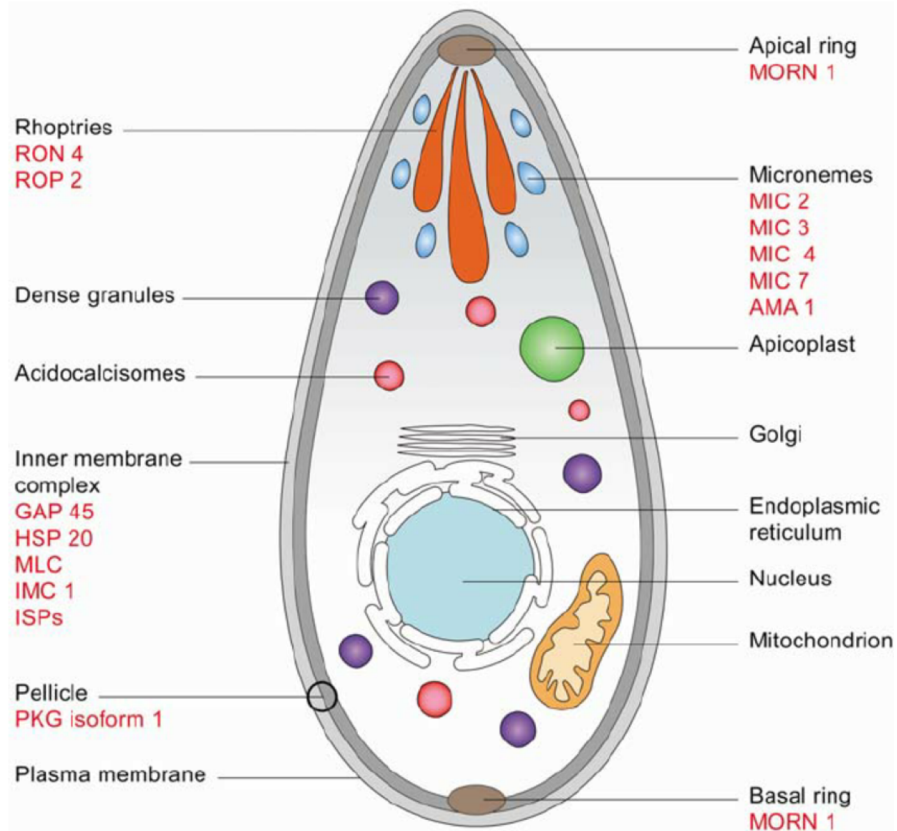
ROLE OF GUANYLATE CYCLASE IN THE LYTIC CYCLE OF TOXOPLASMA GONDII



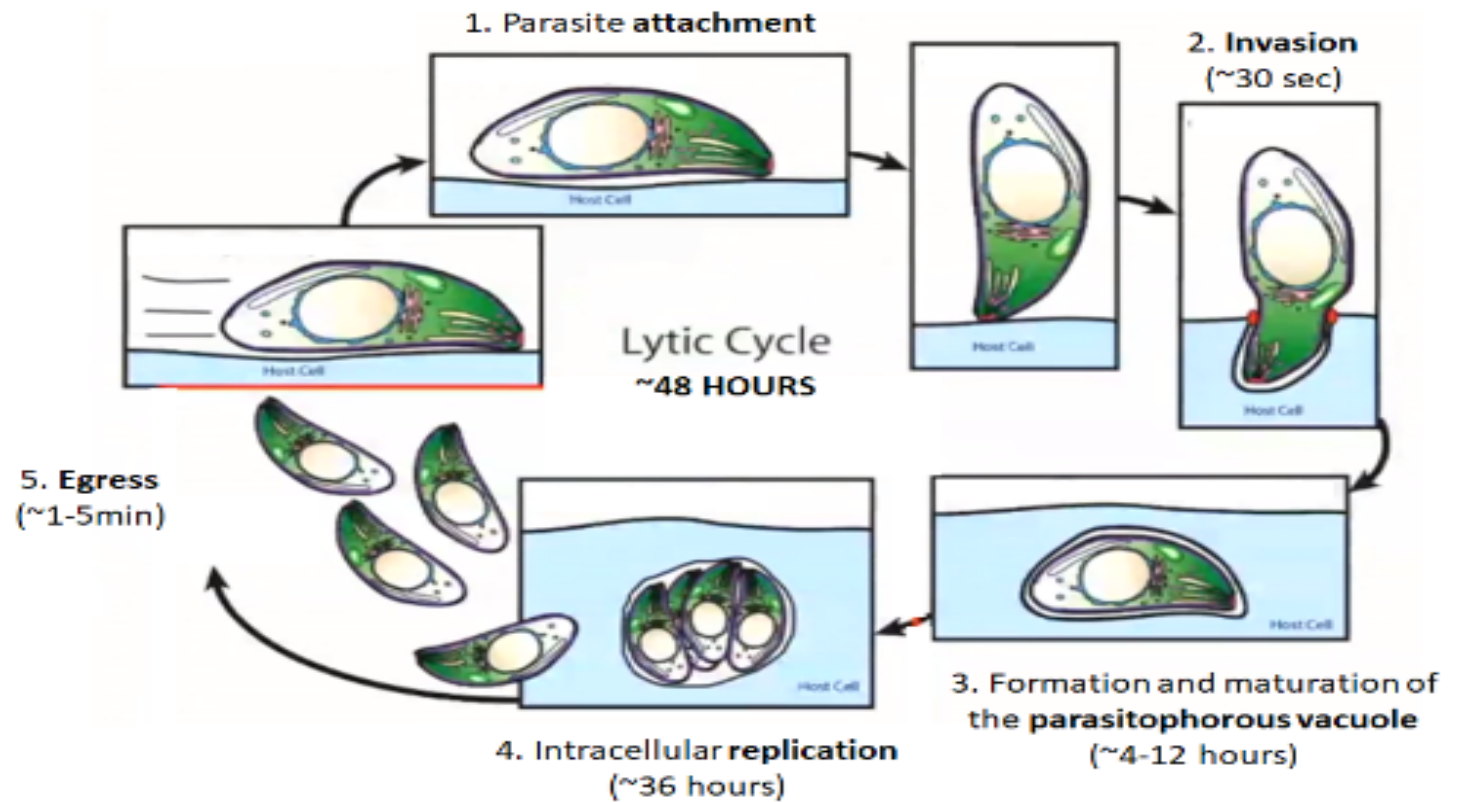
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LYTIC CYCLE



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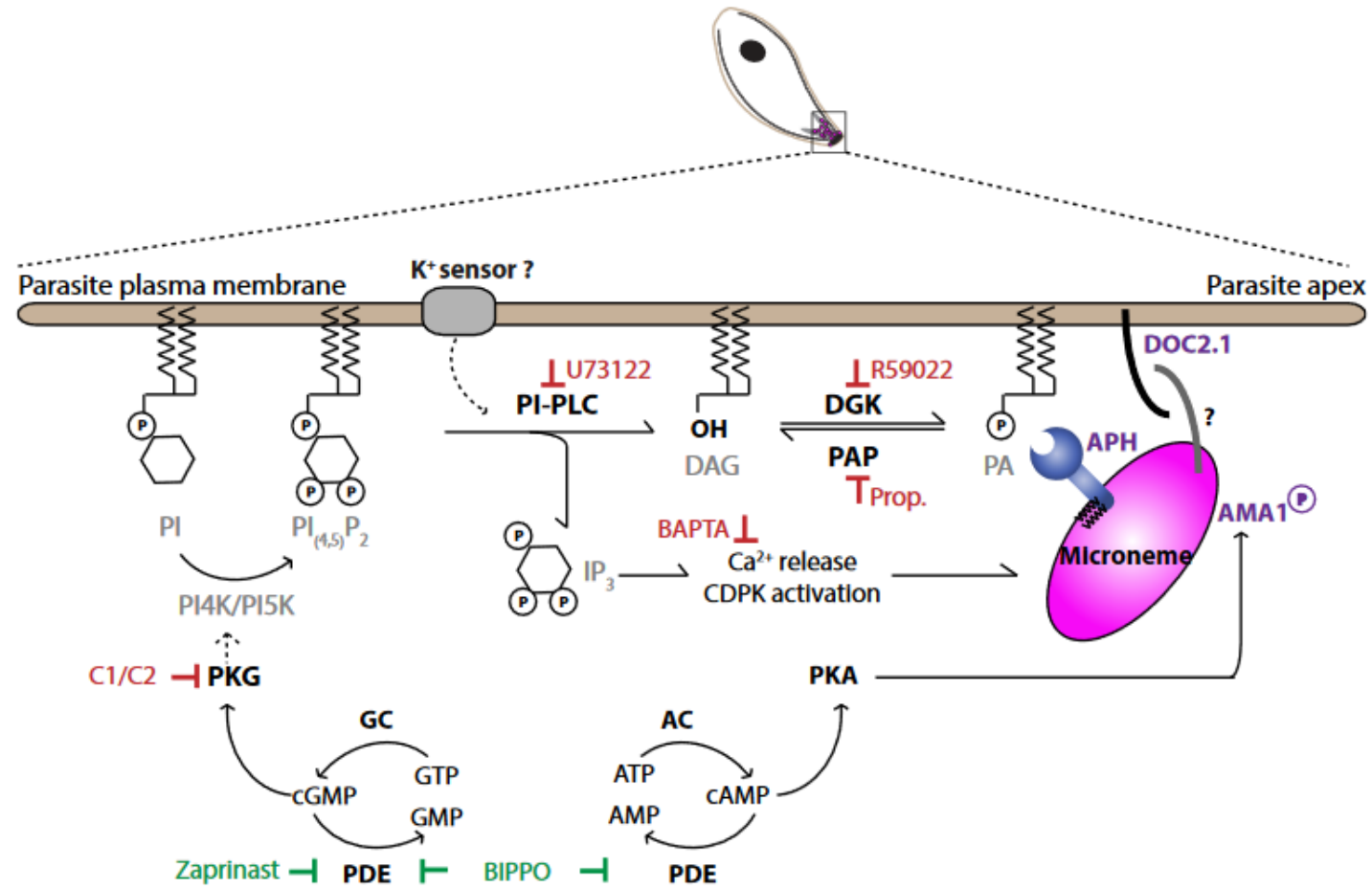
RESEARCH QUESTION

What is the role of GC?

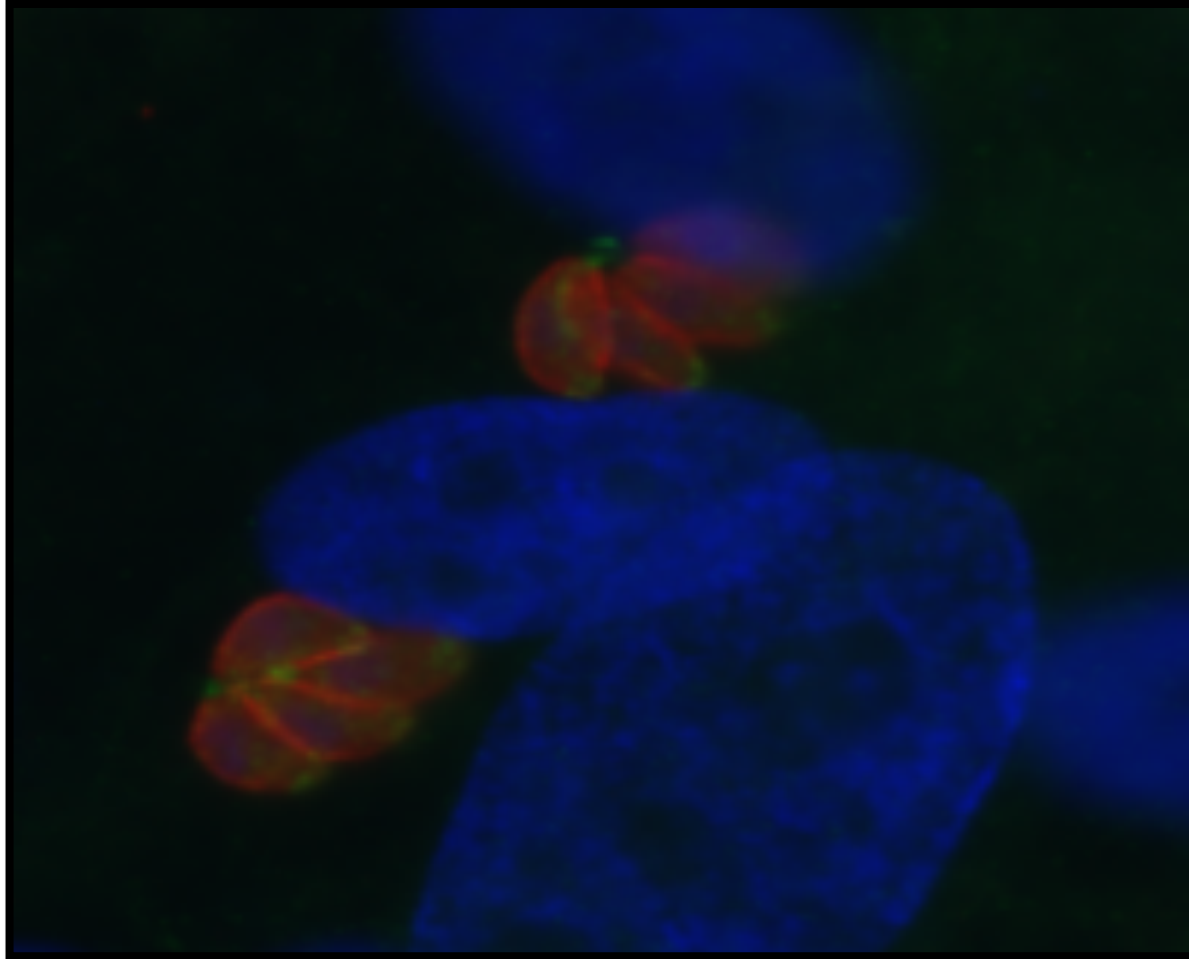
❖ Function in toxoplasma gondii

❖ Localization

FUNCTION OF GC



LOCALISATION OF GC



□ Using IFA

□ GC = HA tag

□ GAP45 (anti rabbit) = Inter
membrane complex (red)

□ Located in : APICAL TIP

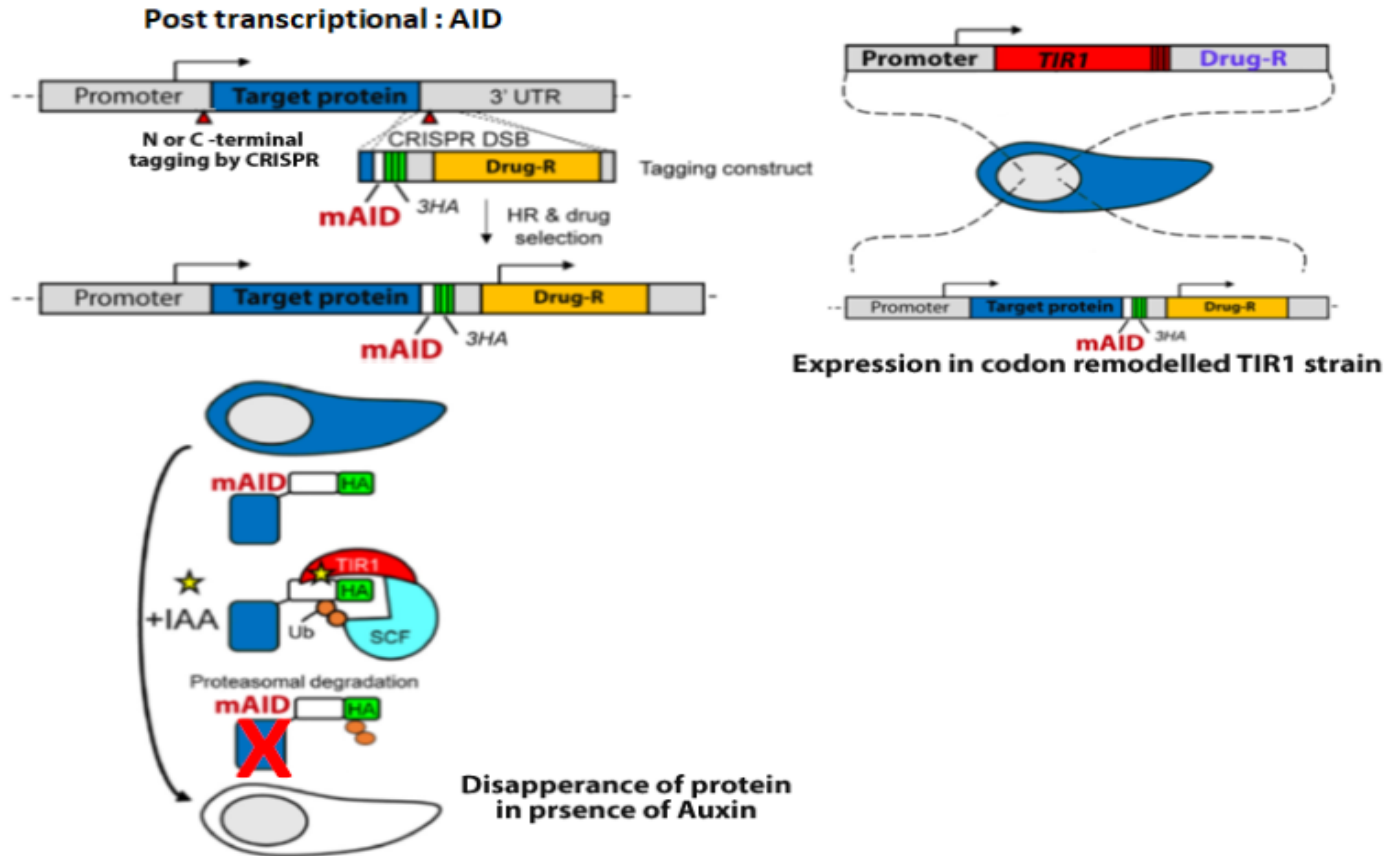
GC IS ESSENTIAL FOR LYTIC PROCESS

❖ Knock down

❖ Western blot

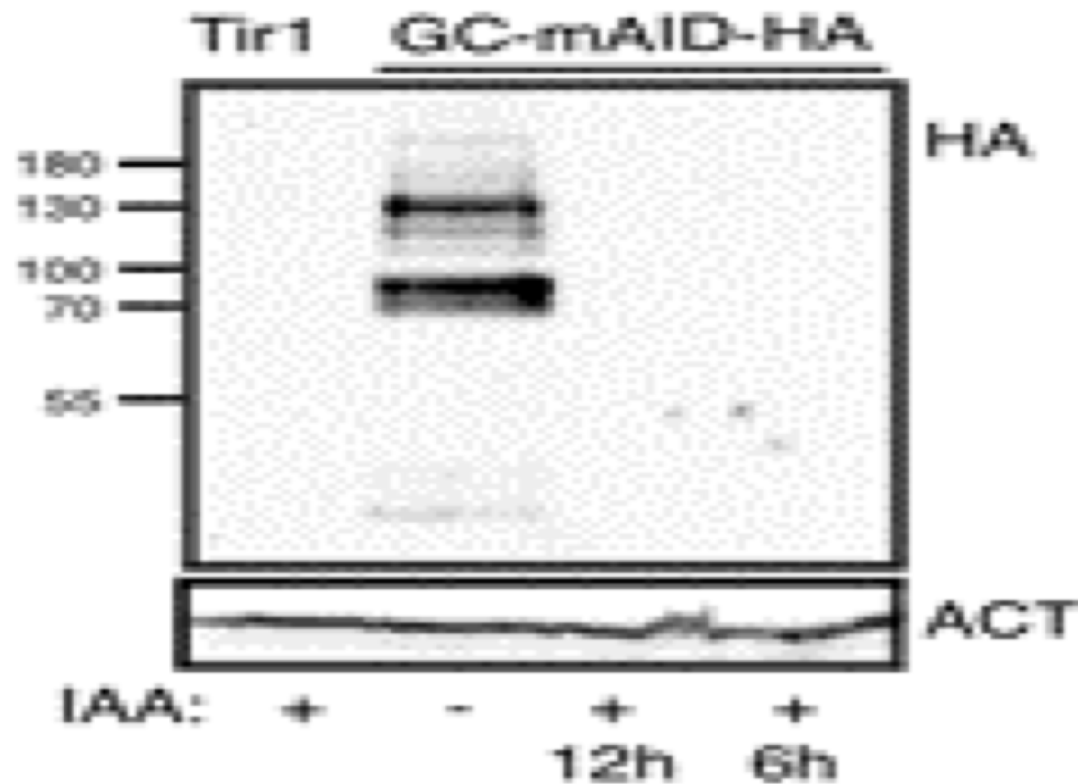
❖ Plaque assay

GC IS ESSENTIAL FOR LYTIC PROCESS



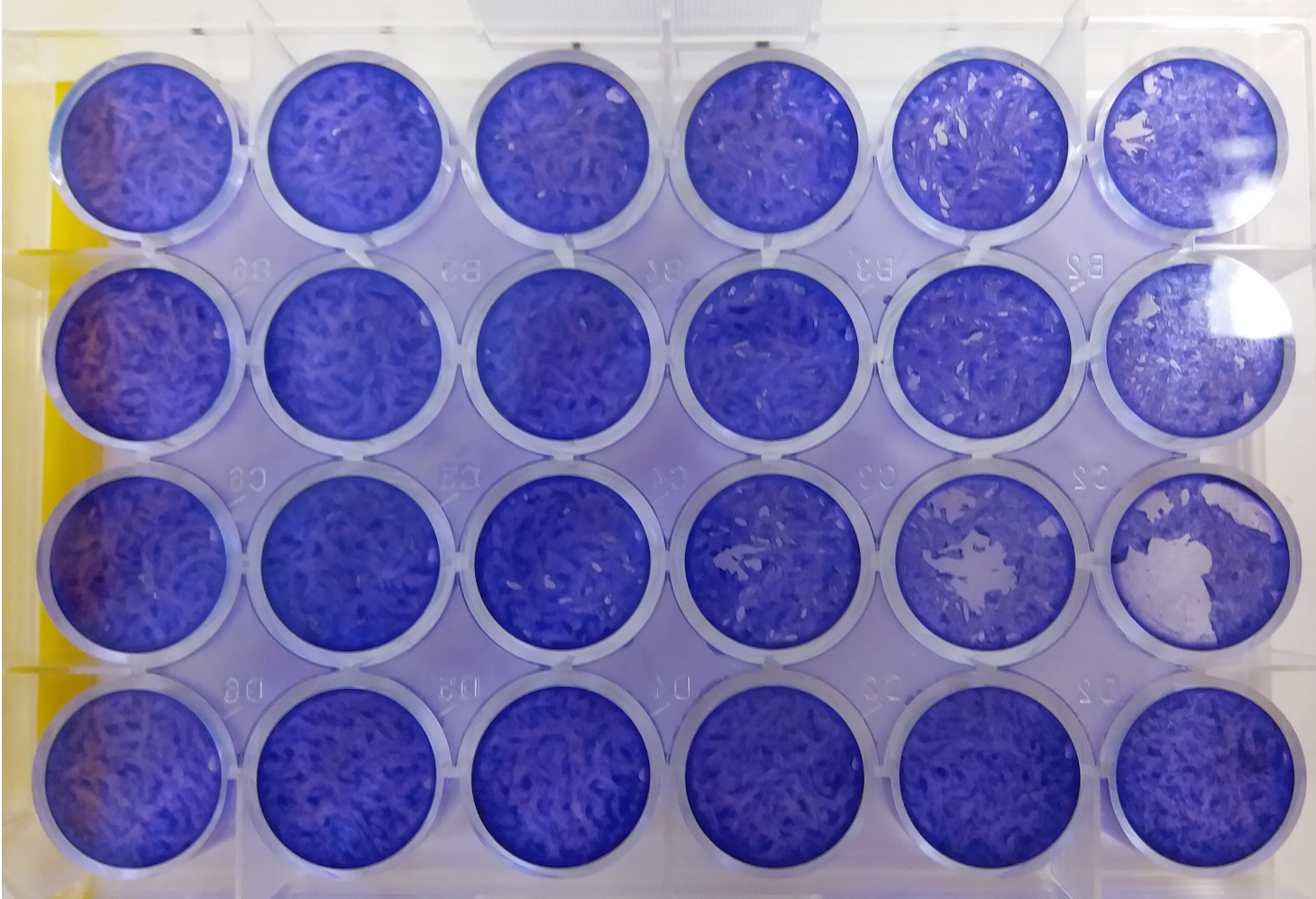
- Knock down
- AID Degron
- Auxin

GC IS ESSENTIAL FOR LYTIC PROCESS



- 6 hours
- 12hours
- Knock down confirmed

IS GC ESSENTIAL FOR LYTIC PROCESS?



Tir1 - IAA

Tir1 + IAA

GC mAID – IAA

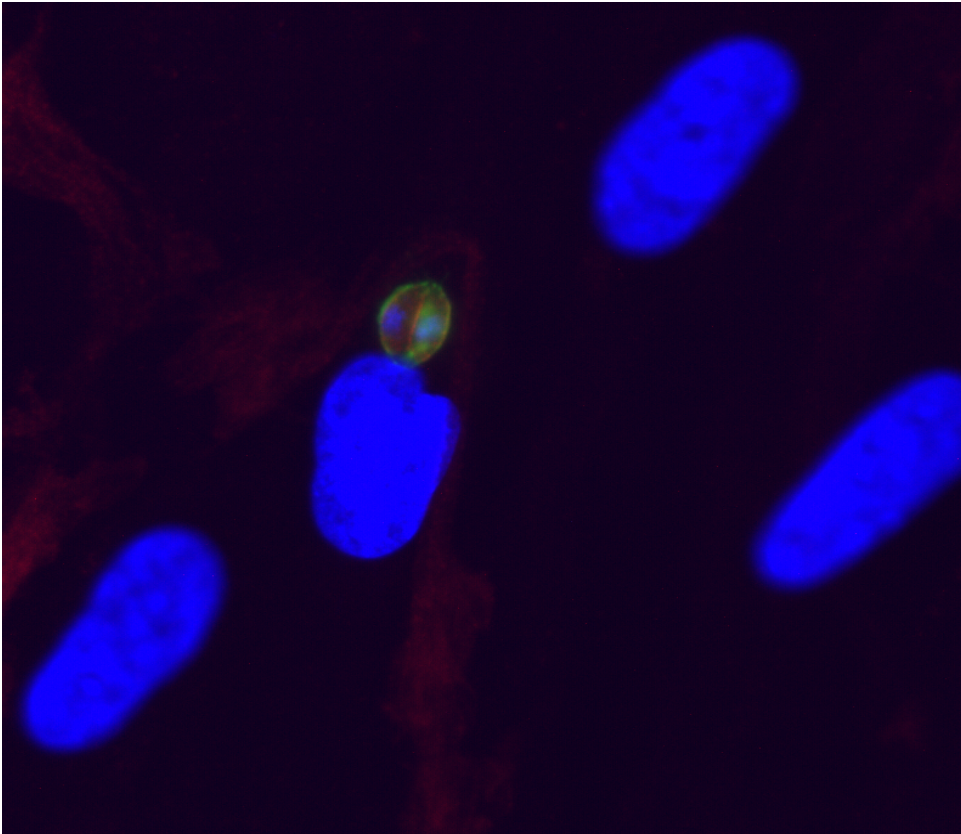
GC mAID + IAA

WHERE IN THE LYTIC PROCESS IS GC INVOLVED?

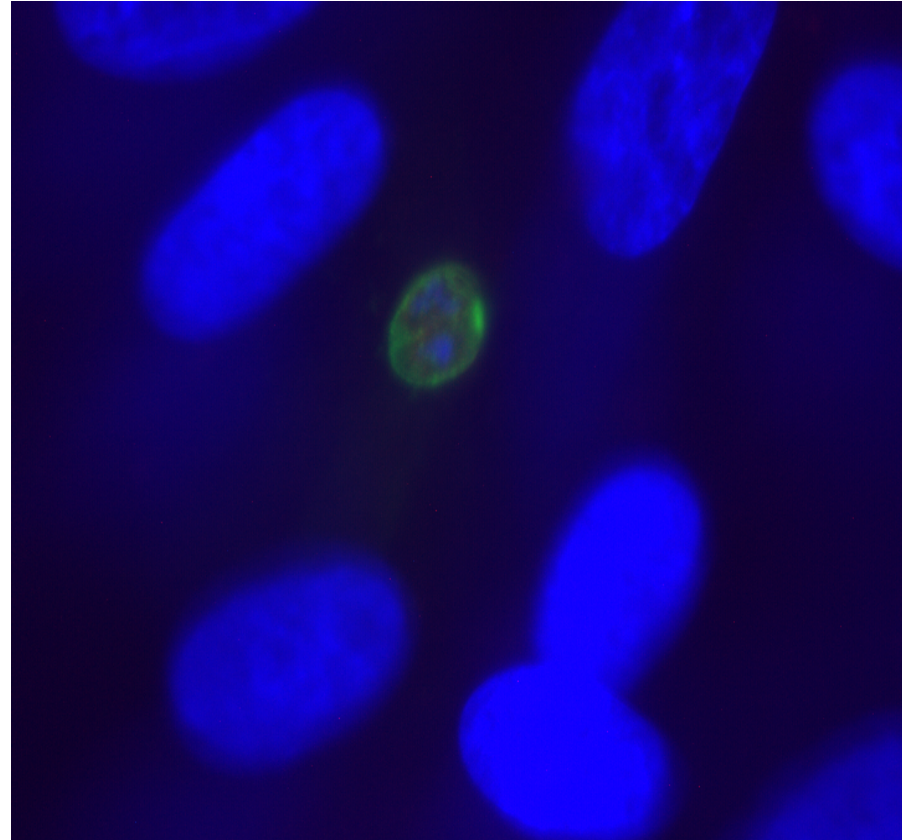
- Invasion
 - IFA
- Replication
 - Primary antibodies
- Egress
 - GRA3 (anti mouse) = Vacuole (green)
 - GAP45 (anti rabbit) = Inter membrane complex (red)
 - Secondary antibodies

WHERE IN THE LYTIC PROCESS IS GC INVOLVED?

Host post infection (HPI) = 12 hours



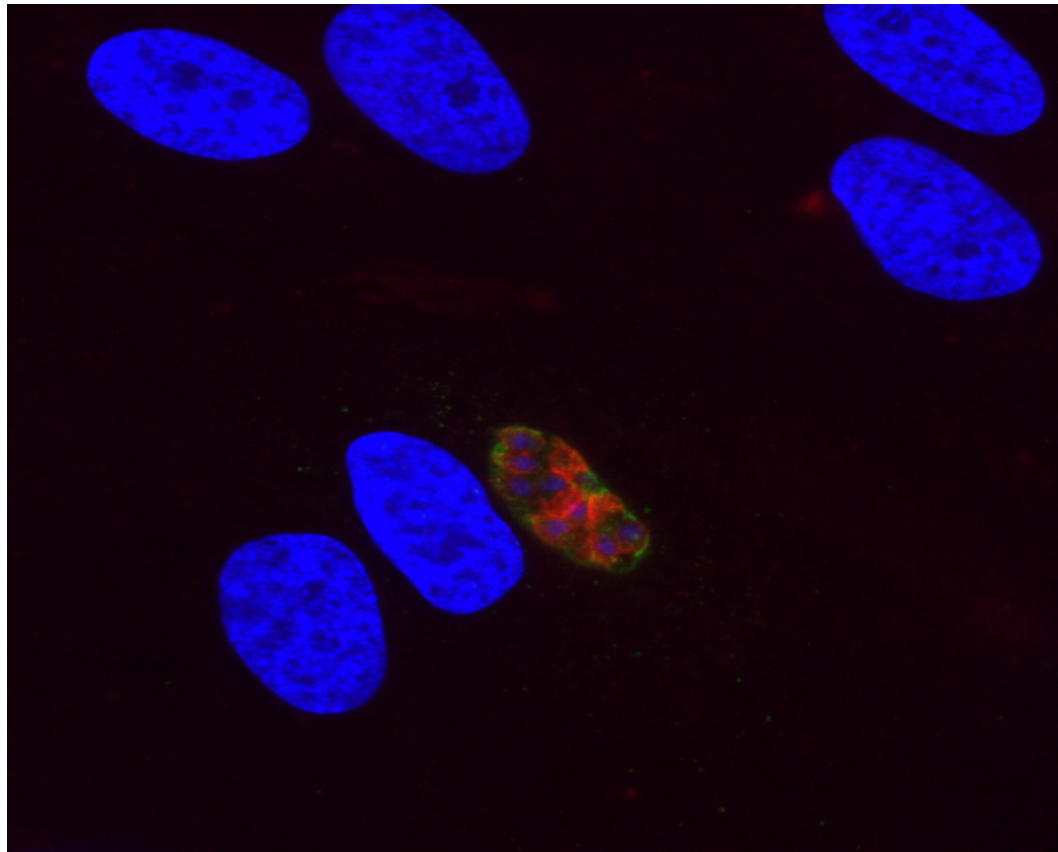
Tir 1 (+IAA)



GC (+ IAA)

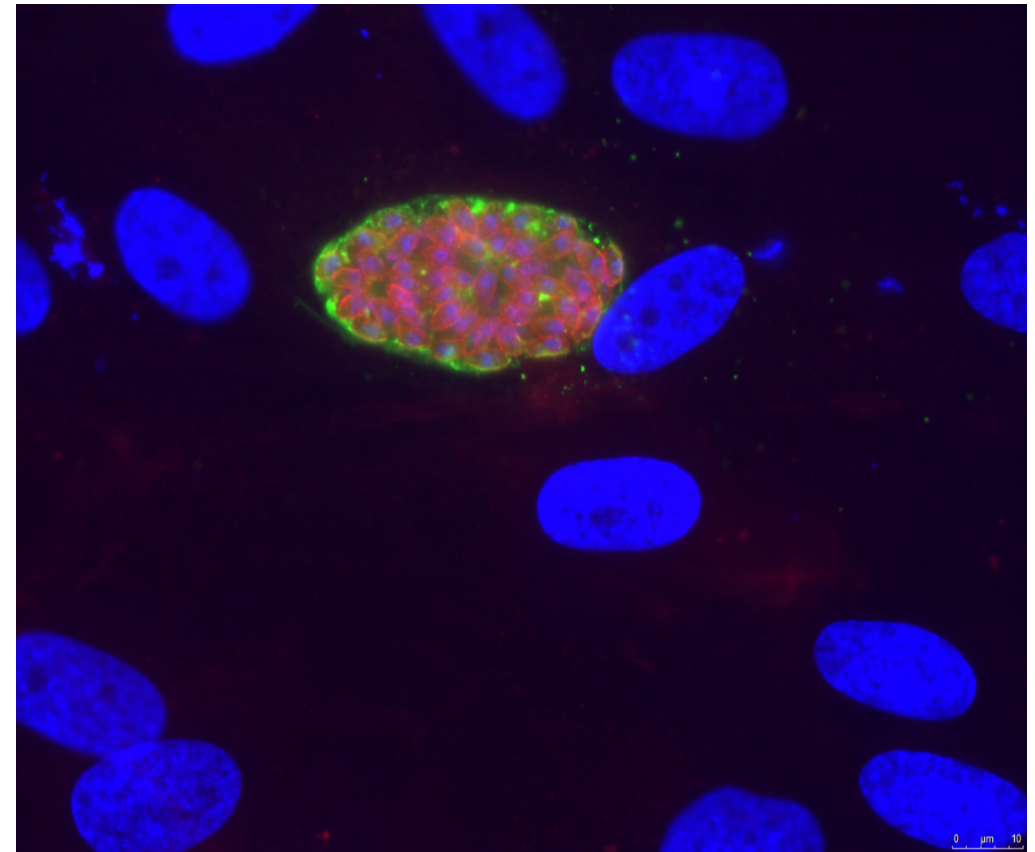
WHERE IN THE LYTIC PROCESS IS GC INVOLVED?

HPI = 24 hours



GC (+IAA)

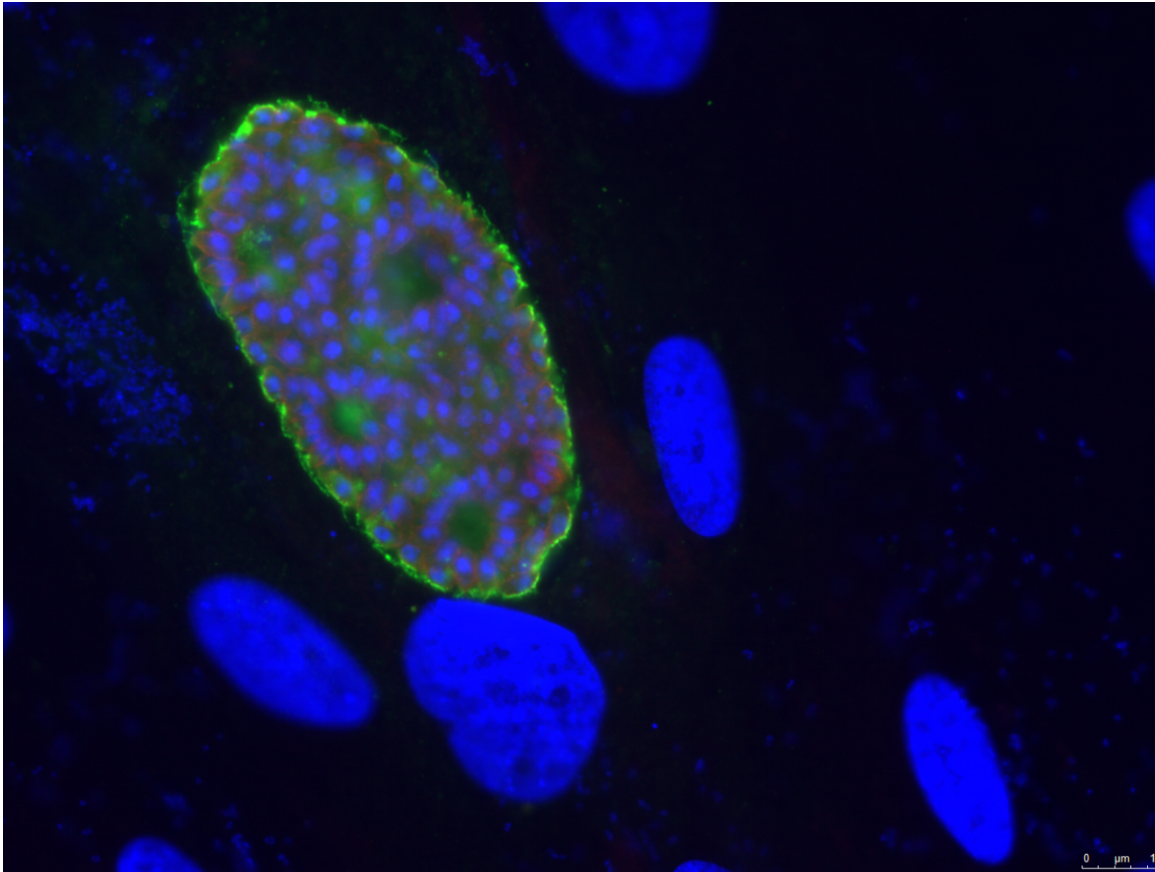
HPI = 48 hours



GC (+IAA)

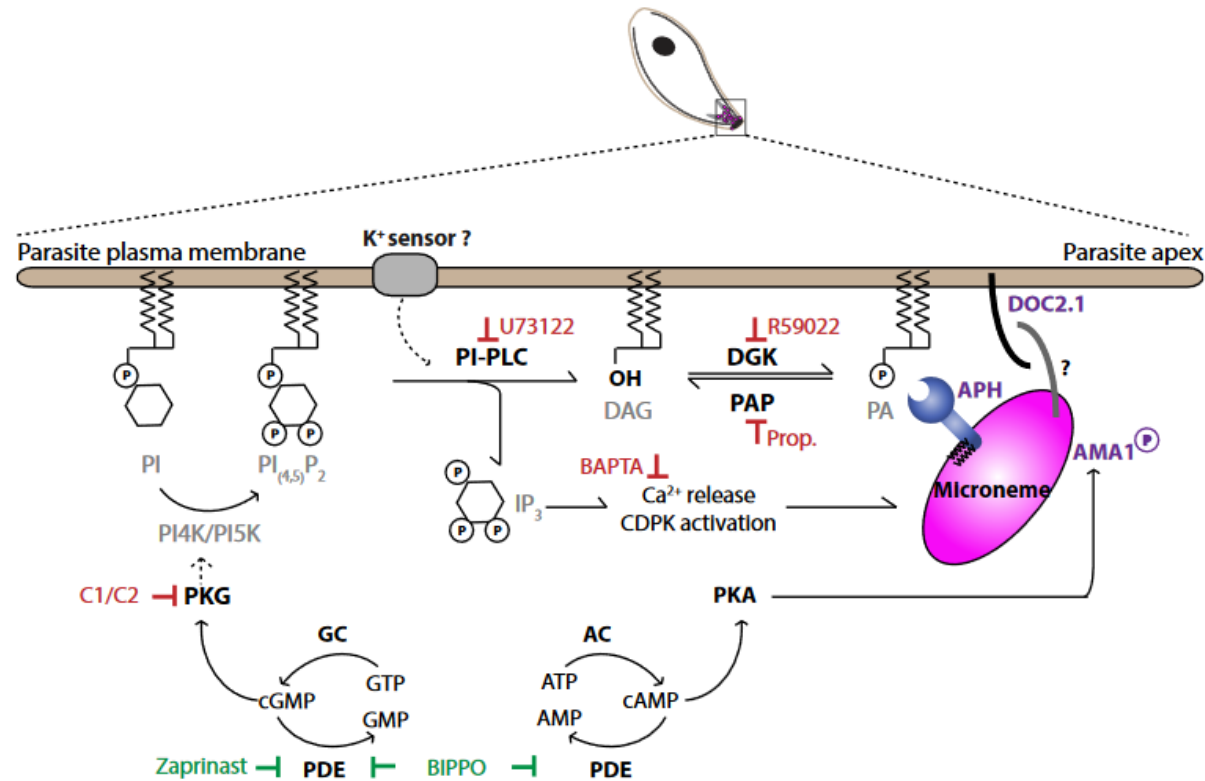
WHERE IN THE LYTIC PROCESS IS GC INVOLVED?

HPI = 55 hours



GC might be involved in
parasite **egress**

GC COULD INTERACT WITH DGK2

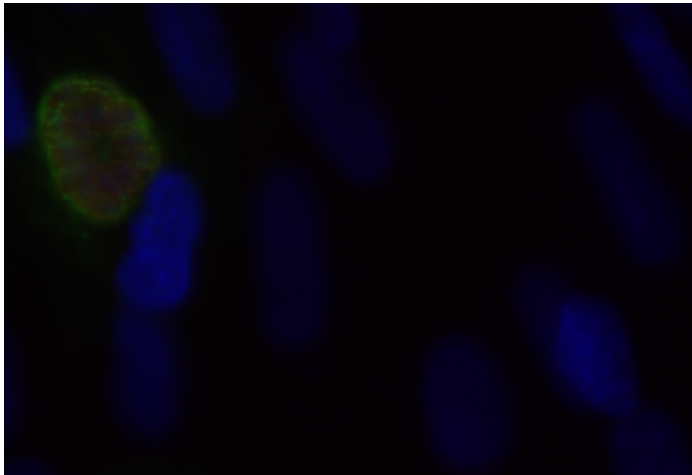
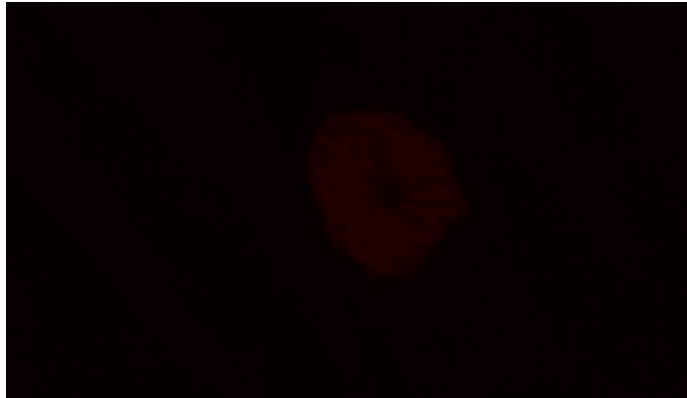


GC MIGHT BE INVOLVED IN PARASITE EGRESS

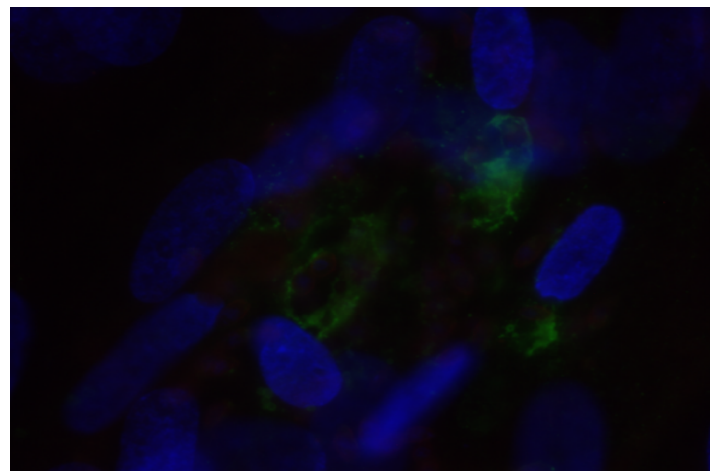
WESTERN BLOT

- PA
- BIPPO
- NO
MICRONEME
SCRETION
IN THE
ABSENCE
OF GC

GC MIGHT BE INVOLVED IN PARASITE EGRESS



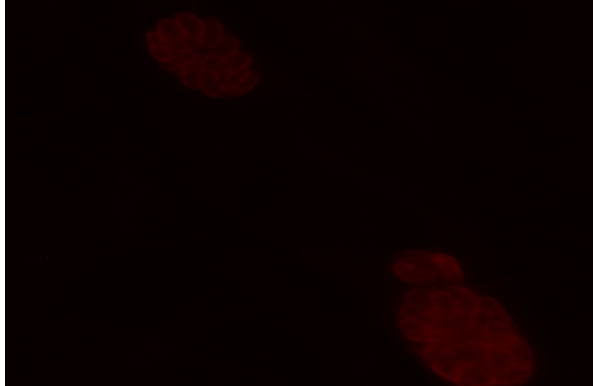
Tir 1 (-IAA) DMSO- No Egress



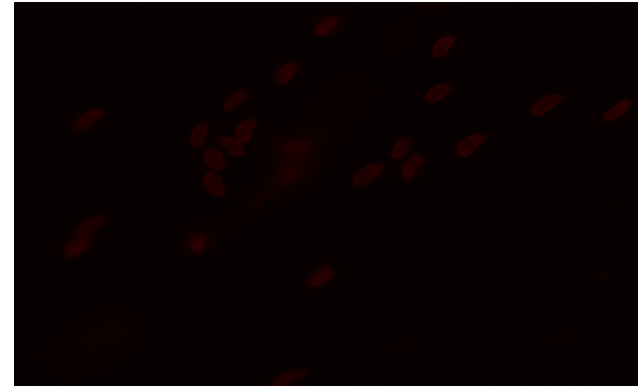
Tir 1 (-IAA) BIPO-Egress

- 5-Benzyl-3-isopropyl-1H-pyrazolo[4,3-d]pyrimidin-7(6H)-one (BIPPO)
 - potent inhibitor of phosphodiesterases triggered egress
 - promotes cAMP-dependent phosphorylation
 - useful tool for the dissection of signal transduction pathways in apicomplexan parasites.

GC MIGHT BE INVOLVED IN PARASITE EGRESS



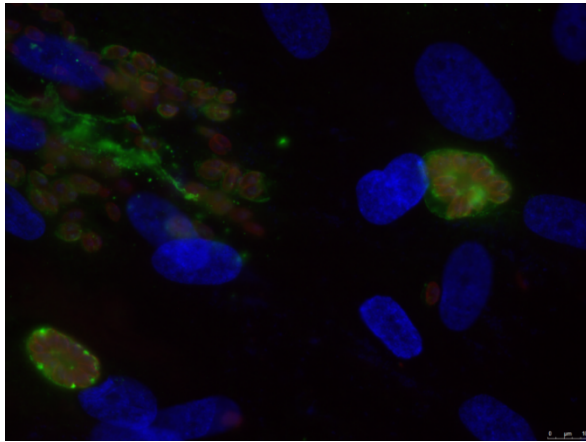
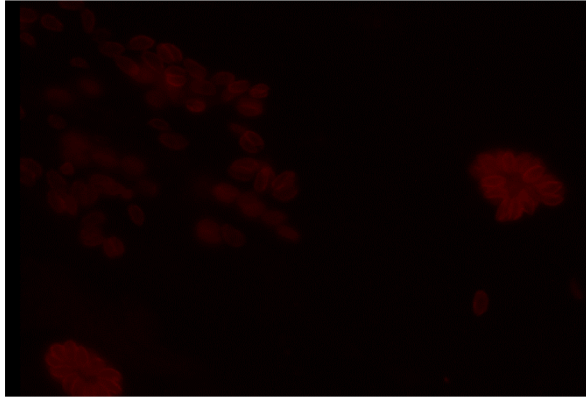
Tir 1 (+IAA) DMSO- No Egress



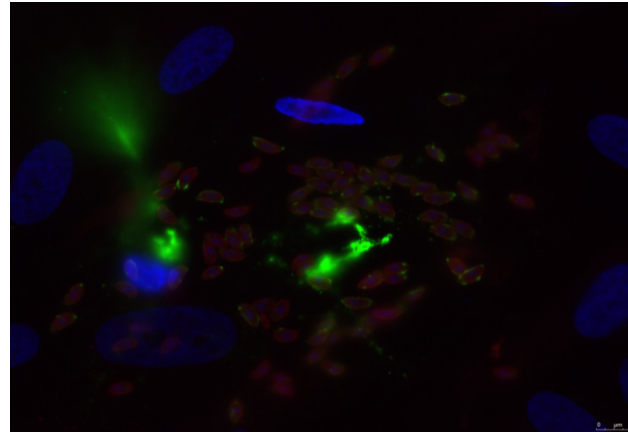
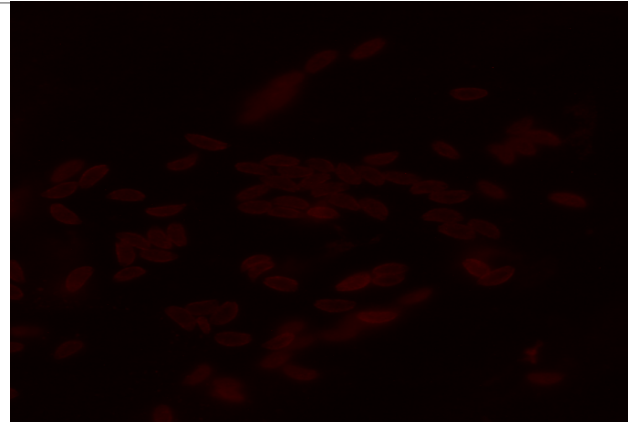
Tir 1 (+IAA) BIPO- Partial Egress

**IAA has no
effect on BIPPO**

GC MIGHT BE INVOLVED IN PARASITE EGRESS



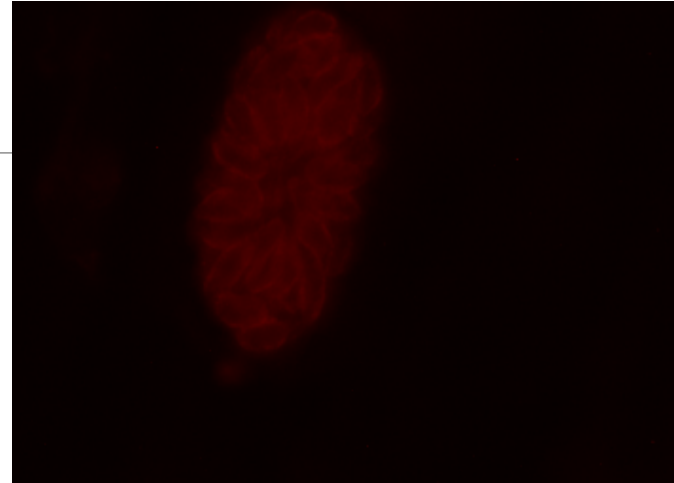
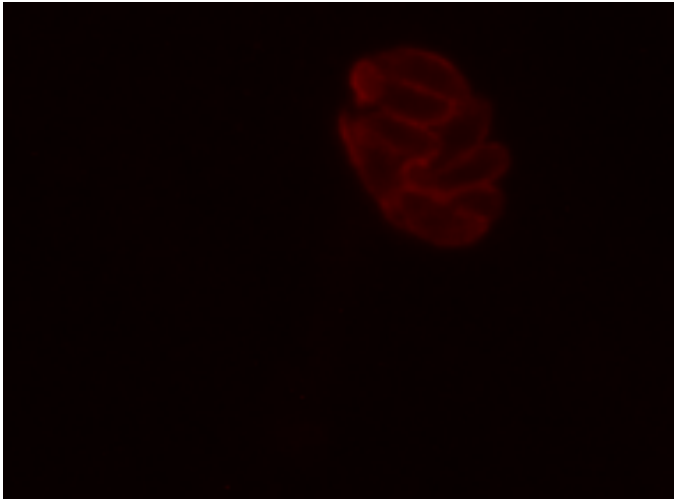
GC (-IAA) DMSO-Partial Egression (In= 8 and Out= 2)



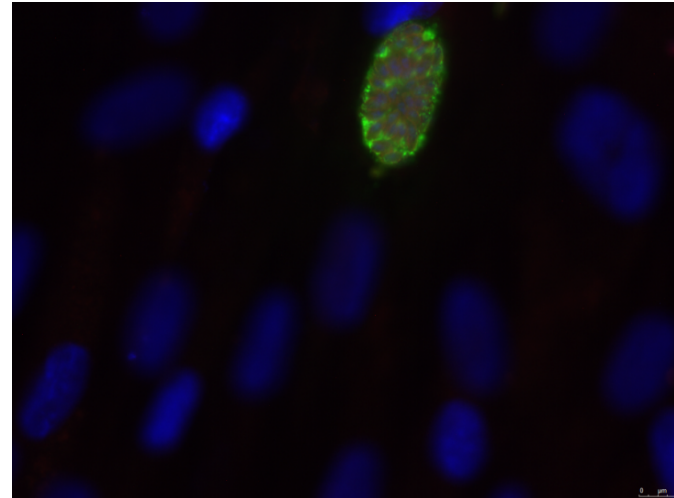
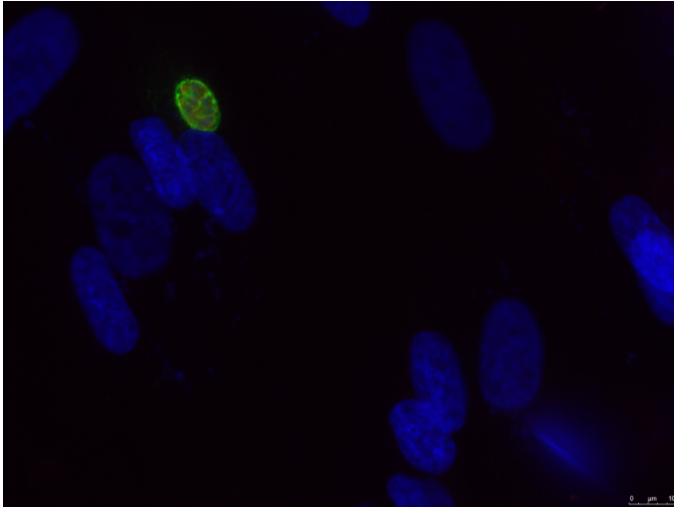
GC (-IAA) BIPPO: Massive egress (In: 5 and out: 6)

**BIPPO
potentiated to
action of GC**

GC MIGHT BE INVOLVED IN PARASITE EGRESS



- IAA- blocks the activity of GC
- BIPPO doesn't have a egression effect in the absence of GC



GC (+IAA) DMSO: No Egress (In= 10, Out= 1)

GC (+IAA) –BIPPO: No Egress (In= 10, Out= 1)

SUMMARY

- ❖ GC could be involved in the lytic cycle of the toxoplasma gondii
- ❖ GC could be involved in parasite egress
- ❖ GC could interact with DGK2

