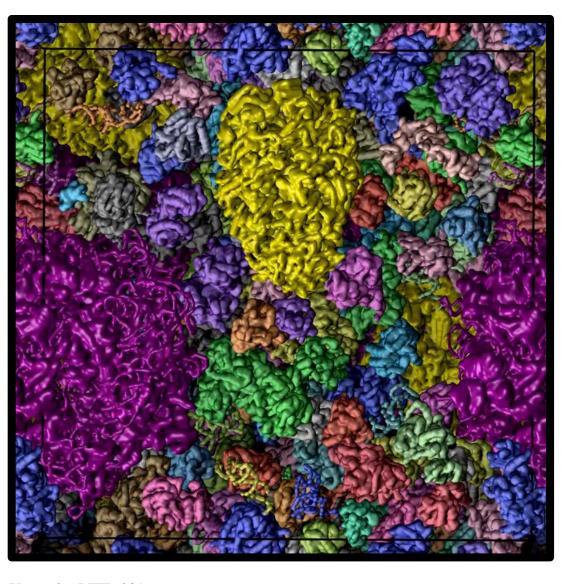
Cytoplasm biophysical properties and their consequences on biological processes



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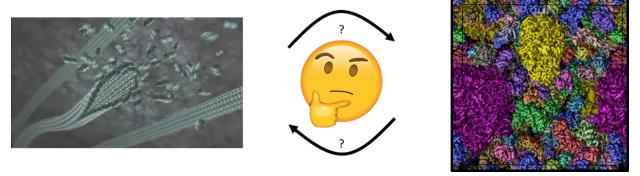
Cytoskeleton dynamics and organization Cell mechanics Cytoplasm biophysics

Cytoplasm = complex + dynamic + contains most of the metabolic processes

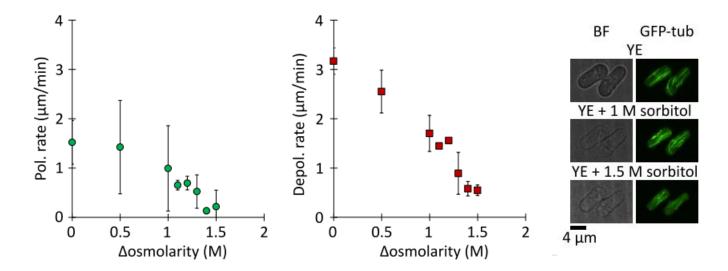
Does the cytoplasm properties affect the biological processes it harbors?

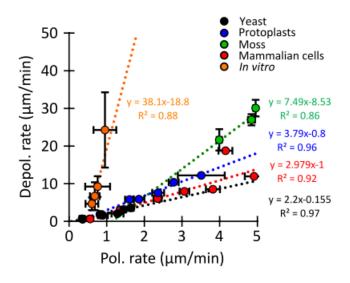
Yu et al., eLIFE, 2016

Understand how the biophysical properties of the cytoplasm affect cellular processes



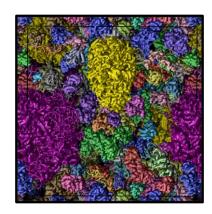
How are cellular processes (such as cytoskeleton dynamics) affected by the cytoplasm biophysical properties?



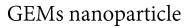


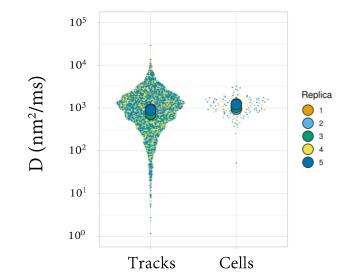
Microtubule dynamics slows down with increasing cytoplasm concentration (viscosity)

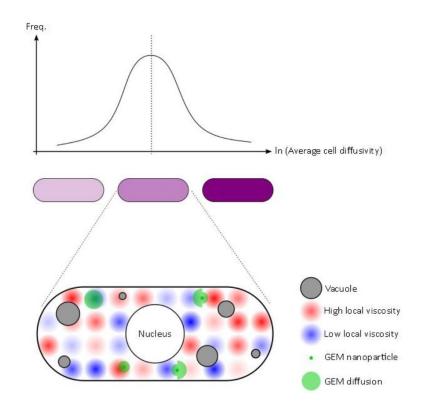
Get a better understanding of the biophysical properties of the cytoplasm



Is the cytoplasm homogeneous? Heterogeneous?







GEMs diffusivity is highly heterogeneous, both between cells and within cells