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β 1- and β 3-integrins display differential nano-dynamic organizations inside focal adhesions

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Abbreviations:

D: diffusion coefficient

FAs: focal adhesions

F-actin: filamentous actin

FN: fibronectin

FRAP: fluorescent recovery after photobleaching

MEFs: mouse embryonic fibroblasts

sptPALM: photoactivation localization microscopy

r_{conf} : confinement radius

SMT: single molecule tracking

spt: single protein tracking

STED: stimulated emission depletion

TIRF: total internal reflection fluorescence

TM: transmembrane protein

TrisNTA: Ni²⁺ tris-nitrilotriacetic acid

Introduction

In focal adhesions (FAs), adhesion and force transmitted by integrins to extracellular matrices are crucial for cell motility, proliferation and differentiation^{1,2}. Different classes of $\alpha\beta$ -integrins binding to fibronectin (FN) perform distinct functions³⁻⁵ and are simultaneously present in FAs. Although, the static nanoscale organization of FAs was recently described⁶, explaining how the individual dynamics of specific integrins control biochemical and biomechanical events in FAs is still elusive. By combining super-resolution imaging and single protein tracking we show that $\beta3$ - and $\beta1$ -integrins act as distinct adhesion units displaying specific dynamics and organizations within FAs. Integrins reside in FAs through cycles of free-diffusion and immobilization, supporting that integrins are not constantly active inside FAs. Integrin activation promotes immobilization, while inhibition of FN or F-actin binding increases free-diffusion, suggesting that full integrin immobilization requires simultaneous F-actin and FN connections. $\beta3$ -integrins immobilization zones are more concentrated within FAs compared to $\beta1$ -integrins. While $\beta3$ -integrins immobilization zones are stationary in FAs, immobilization zones for $\beta1$ -integrins display rearward movements. Using chimeric $\beta1$ - $\beta3$ -integrins, we demonstrate that these differences are determined by binding to extracellular FN. Thus, differential transmission of F-actin motion to FN within FA occurs through specific integrins. This dynamic nano-partitioning of β -integrins within FAs could control local forces and signaling necessary for distinct cellular functions such as migration and extracellular matrices remodeling.

Unraveling integrins dynamic organization within FAs is a key step towards a complete understanding of biochemical and biomechanical events controlling FAs architecture. In mature FAs both $\alpha\beta3$ and $\alpha5\beta1$ integrins bind to FN, a major component of the extracellular matrix. Outside FAs, on dorsal surface of fibroblasts, both integrins are freely diffusing when unbound and undergo rearward actin-driven motion after binding to FN^{7,8}. This demonstrates that integrin movements are controlled by connection to FN and actin binding proteins (ABP). Yet inside FAs, recording the pristine individual trajectories of integrins has remained challenging because such structures are crowded and confined preventing the use of large probes. Nevertheless, previous ensemble measurements⁹⁻¹¹ suggested that integrins are the most stable components in FAs.

To investigate whether integrin movements differ outside versus inside FAs, we applied super-resolution microscopy to characterize integrins distributions and displacements at a resolution well below the diffraction limit. We first focused on $\beta3$ -integrin in mouse embryonic fibroblasts (MEFs), using live-cell photoactivation localization microscopy¹² coupled to single protein tracking (sptPALM)¹³. MEFs were spread on FN and co-transfected with GFP-paxillin, as a FAs reporter, and wild type $\beta3$ -integrin fused to an intracellular mEOS2, a photo-switchable protein ($\beta3$ -WT). Binary masks of FAs were generated using GFP-paxillin fluorescent signal. Using total internal reflection fluorescence microscopy (TIRF), numerous sparse $\beta3$ -WT were continuously activated, localized and bleached. We reconstructed thousands $\beta3$ -WT trajectories outside and inside FAs (Fig. 1a). For trajectories lasting at least 400 ms (20 points \leq , 8% of the trajectories), we computed the mean square displacement (MSD), which reflects the diffusion properties of a molecule. Variation of the MSD over time was used to sort trajectories according to their diffusion modes (immobile, confined, free-diffusive) (Fig. 1b,e), extract diffusion coefficients (D) and confinement radius (r_{conf}) (Fig. 1f-j, Supplementary Table S1, see Methods). The differential motion of $\beta3$ -WT inside versus outside FAs was striking as seen by the strong redistribution of D towards faster diffusion outside FAs (Fig. 1f,g). Within the spatial resolution of our experimental setup ($2.3\sigma_{xy} \sim 50$ nm, see methods), we found that $\beta3$ -integrins were mainly immobile in FAs (69 \pm 2%, Fig. 1e), the remaining ones displaying either confined diffusion (14 \pm 1%; $r_{\text{conf}}=119\pm 1$ nm, Fig. 1h; $D=0.043\pm 0.001 \mu\text{m}^2\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$, Fig. 1i) or free-diffusion (17 \pm 1%; $D=0.076\pm 0.001 \mu\text{m}^2\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$, Fig. 1j). In contrast, outside FAs, $\beta3$ -integrins immobilization decreased (46 \pm 3%), the fraction of free-diffusive integrins increased (39 \pm 3%) and free-

diffusion was faster ($D=0.289\pm 0.003 \mu\text{m}^2.\text{s}^{-1}$). Furthermore, confined integrins displayed increased r_{conf} and D outside FAs ($r_{\text{conf}}=236\pm 3 \text{ nm}$; $D=0.189\pm 5 \mu\text{m}^2.\text{s}^{-1}$). Therefore, in FAs immobilizations were more frequent, areas of confinements were smaller and free-diffusions were slower. To ensure that these diffusion properties were specific to integrins, we analyzed trajectories of mEOS2 fused to the trans-membrane domain of the PDGF receptor (mEOS2-TM) or anchored to inner leaflet lipids (CAAX-mEOS2) (Fig. 1c,d). The results demonstrated that frequent immobilizations and slower free-diffusions of $\beta 3$ -WT were triggered by integrin specific interactions in FAs, rather than by the higher protein density present in FAs (Fig. 1e-j). Therefore, integrin binding partners in FAs increase the probability of $\beta 3$ -integrin arrest and could contribute to FAs formation and stability through a diffusion/trapping mechanism.

To determine whether the level of integrin activation controls $\beta 3$ -integrin immobilization in FAs, we used Mn^{2+} stimulation or a glycan edge point mutation stabilizing the active conformation of $\beta 3$ -integrin ($\beta 3$ -N305T)^{9,14} (Fig. 2a). Stimulated $\beta 3$ -integrins exhibited nearly the same dynamics as $\beta 3$ -WT in FAs, but outside FAs immobilization increased, r_{conf} and free-diffusion decreased dramatically close to values measured for $\beta 3$ -WT inside FAs (Fig. 2b-e, Supplementary Fig. S1). These results demonstrated that promoting integrin activation outside FAs bypassed signals inducing immobilization in FAs. This support that integrin immobilization and slower free-diffusion triggered outside FAs are the consequence of increased integrin binding to the extracellular matrix, which is commonly defined as integrin activation^{15,16}.

Next we examined how interactions with FN and F-actin respectively regulate integrin motion. We used known integrin point mutations, $\beta 3$ -D119Y which prevents binding to the RGD sequence of FN⁹, and $\beta 3$ -Y747A which inhibits connection to critical actin binding proteins (ABP) such as filamin, tensin and talin^{9,16-18} and prevents $\beta 3$ -integrin activation¹⁵. Inhibiting FN or ABP binding decreased the fraction of immobilization and increased r_{conf} inside FAs (Fig. 2f-j, Supplementary Fig. S1). These mutants also showed faster D inside FAs indicating that transient interactions with FN and ABP slowdown integrin motion in FAs, rather than steric hindrance due to molecular crowding. Dynamics of WT and mutant $\beta 3$ -integrins were not affected by the probes used to localize FAs (GFP-paxillin or GFP-VASP) (Supplementary Fig. S2, Supplementary Table S2), or by the presence of endogenous $\beta 3$ -integrins, as indicated by experiments performed in $\beta 3$ -integrin^{-/-} MEFs (Supplementary Fig.

S2, Supplementary Table S3). Thus, conditions promoting integrin activation triggers immobilization, while preventing FN or ABP binding increases free-diffusion.

We next investigated if β 3-integrin immobilization was preferentially triggered by FN or ABP binding. Inside FAs, when preventing binding to ABP compared to FN, we systematically measured stronger reduction of the immobilized fraction, larger r_{conf} , and faster free-diffusion. This was confirmed both when GFP-paxillin or GFP-VASP were used as FAs reporter, or in β 3-integrin^{-/-} MEFs (Fig. 2, Supplementary Fig. S1,S2). Despite binding of filamin, tensin and talin to the same NPxY motif on integrin tails, the most compelling evidences for inside-out integrin activation involve talin¹⁸⁻²⁰. Thus talin is the best ABP candidate to induce integrins immobilizations, which is consistent with its critical role during FAs initiation^{21,22}. Therefore, although FN and ABP binding are required for efficient integrin immobilization, our results suggest that ABP binding triggers immobilization more efficiently than FN binding.

To test if binding to FN and ABP also control integrins immobilization time, we used sptPALM experiments to assess the duration of immobilization zones. Immobilization zones were identified by locations where repetitive mEOS2 fluorescence were detected (Fig. 3a, Supplementary Fig. S3, see methods)²³. We thus estimated the durations of these immobilization zones and compared them for β 3-integrin WT and mutants (Fig. 3a-c). By comparing immobilization duration inside and outside FAs for β 3-WT we found that immobilization were longer inside FAs, and were shortened by loss of F-actin and FN interactions (Fig. 3c). Kymographs generated from sptPALM super-resolution time-lapses²³ clearly illustrate those differences (Fig. 3a,b). Immobilization durations for β 3-D119Y, β 3-Y747A were as short inside as outside FAs, while for β 3-N305T the durations were increased compared to β 3-WT outside FAs. As expected, the duration of immobilization zones for CAAX were short both inside and outside FAs. As a control, the duration measured for β 3-WT in fixed cells are longer than in live cells, and well above conditions which shorten the duration of integrin immobilizations. Taken together, these results support that integrin binding to FN or ABP alone does not lead to a full long-lived integrin immobilization, condition achieved only when simultaneous tripartite interaction with FN and APB occurs. Condition often fulfilled in FAs, were ABP including talin are more concentrated.

To demonstrate that β 3-integrins switch reversibly between immobilization and free-diffusion within the same FA, we obtained longer trajectories with single molecule tracking (SMT) using photostable ATTO647N dyes (Fig. 3d,e). Extracellular labeling of single 6His- β 3-integrins carrying a poly-histidine tag was achieved with ATTO647N/ Ni^{2+} tris-nitrilotriacetic acid (TrisNTA), a small (2 nm) and monovalent probe (Supplementary Fig. S4)^{24,25}. Using this method, the motions of β 3-integrin WT with or without Mn^{2+} stimulation, and of β 3-integrins mutants (N305T, D119Y, Y747A) were analyzed inside and outside FAs. We analyzed the degree of molecule mobility by measuring the molecule displacement steps inside and outside FAs. All the major findings obtained by sptPALM were confirmed including, increased immobilization inside FAs and upon integrin activation, decreased immobilization of integrins unable to bind FN or ABP, and higher ABP-dependence on immobilization fraction (Supplementary Fig. S5). Furthermore, long trajectories (>10 s) demonstrated that β 3-integrins switch from fast free-diffusion outside FA, to slow free-diffusion and immobilization when entering a FA (Fig. 3d, Supplementary Movie S1). Moreover, β 3-integrins exhibited successive immobilizations in the same FA (Fig. 3e). In the current view, integrin biochemical and mechanical signaling are based on the assumption of long-lived integrin interactions with their surroundings. Yet, repeated trappings of integrins seen as cycles of slow free-diffusion and immobilization within a FA support that integrins are not constantly activated in FAs, and not as stable as inferred from previous measurements⁹⁻¹¹.

Different classes of $\alpha\beta$ -integrins have been associated with specific properties that serve specific functions^{3-5,26}. Former studies^{6,9,11} focused on the dynamic and organization of α v- and β 3- integrins in FAs. Thus, paradigms of integrin engagement to the extracellular matrix and F-actin are generally built on a homogeneous integrin population in FAs^{1,27}. To determine whether β 1- and β 3-subunits exhibit specific dynamics inside FAs, we performed sptPALM using β 1-integrin-mEOS (β 1-WT) (Fig. 4a). Like β 3-WT, β 1-WT immobilization was enhanced inside FAs. Surprisingly, the diffusion parameters measured for β 1-WT inside and outside FAs were almost identical to β 3-WT (Fig. 4b-e, Supplementary Fig. S6). We then tested whether interactions with FN or ABP regulate β 1-WT immobilization. Like α v β 3 integrin, α 5 β 1 integrin binds the RGD sequence of FN²⁸, and intracellular filamin, tensin and talin²⁰. We generated point mutations in β 1-integrin corresponding to the ones used for β 3-integrin: mutation of β 1-D130 prevents binding to the RGD sequence of FN²⁹ and β 1-Y783A

inhibits ABP binding³⁰ and consequently β 1-integrin activation¹⁵. Like for β 3-integrin, ABP binding critically controls β 1-integrin immobilization, confinement and free-diffusion, as shown by the behavior of β 1-Y783A (Fig. 4b-e, Supplementary Fig. S6). However, in contrast to β 3-D119Y integrin, β 1-D130Y does not affect β 1-integrin immobilization in FAs. Both α v β 3 and α 5 β 1 integrins bind the RGD sequence of FN, but only α 5 β 1 binds the FN synergy site (PHSRN)²⁹. Therefore our results suggest that binding of β 1-integrin to the FN synergy site might be sufficient to induce immobilization of β 1-integrin in mature FAs.

To test whether a specific nanoscale organization of β -subunits exists inside FAs, we examined β 1- and β 3-integrins immobilization zones and compared their durations and organization. Immobilization durations for β 1-WT were longer inside than outside FAs, were shortened when ABP binding was suppressed, but less affected by loss of RGD binding (Supplementary Fig. S6). Thus like the fraction of β 1-WT immobilization, the duration of immobilization seems to depend on the FN synergy site. More strikingly, the nano-scale organizations of β 3- and β 1-integrins were different within FAs as demonstrated by sptPALM super-resolved images. The density of immobilization for β 1-integrins was twice lower than for β 3-integrins (Fig. 4g,h), as measured by the ratio of inside versus outside detections (Fig. 4f). This distinct organization of β 3- and β 1-integrins inside FAs were further confirmed using Stimulated Emission Depletion microscopy (STED)³¹, an alternative nanoscopic imaging approach (Supplementary Fig. S7).

To trigger cell motility, forces generated by F-actin must be physically transmitted from integrins to FN. One model describing this process is the molecular clutch²⁷, by which a modular interface of adaptor proteins, including talin, mediates a dynamic mechanical coupling of the F-actin flow to integrins¹¹. We thus tested if β -integrins inside FAs exhibited or not rearward actin-driven motion. We measured the slow motion of β 1- and β 3-integrins immobilization zones from sptPALM super-resolution time-lapses²³ (Fig. 5). Oddly, despite their connection to F-actin through ABP, most β 3-integrins were not moving rearward (Fig. 5a,b,e). On the contrary, 40 % of β 1-integrin in FAs were moving rearward with rates corresponding to the speed of F-actin within FAs (\sim 4 nm/s)¹¹ (Fig. 5c,d,e). Thus, specific classes of $\alpha\beta$ -integrin will transmit differentially F-actin motion to FN, suggesting that integrin-specific clutch module might exist within FAs.

$\beta 3$ - and $\beta 1$ -integrin cytoplasmic tails bind common^{20,32} and specific^{33,34} intracellular partner. To differentiate whether extracellular or intracellular domains of $\beta 1$ - and $\beta 3$ -integrins are responsible for specific organization and coupling to F-actin motion, we used chimeric integrins. Extracellular $\beta 1$ -integrin domain was fused to $\beta 3$ -integrin transmembrane and cytoplasmic domains ($\beta 1\text{ext}\beta 3\text{int}$) and inversely for $\beta 3\text{ext}\beta 1\text{int}$. We performed sptPALM experiments using those chimeras, and found that $\beta 1\text{ext}\beta 3\text{int}$ behaved like $\beta 1$ -integrin whereas $\beta 3\text{ext}\beta 1\text{int}$ like $\beta 3$ -integrin. This was confirmed for the short term dynamics measured by sptPALM (Fig. 4d,e, Supplementary Fig. S6), the density of immobilization zones (Fig. 4f) and the rearward motion (Fig. 5f). These results suggest that the extracellular domain of integrins determines the density of integrin immobilization in FAs and how F-actin motion are transmitted to FN.

The direct visualization of integrin motion demonstrated that $\beta 3$ -integrins are immobile and more concentrated in mature FAs. This implies, that F-actin internal forces never reach the level required to displace FN-bound $\beta 3$ -integrins, suggesting that the clutch module associate transiently with $\beta 3$ -integrins. However, during this association, a transient rise in tension, building on immobile $\beta 3$ -integrins, could induce talin stretching and subsequent mechanical reinforcement of F-actin connection^{5,21} through vinculin recruitment³⁵. This remains true until the weakest link in the integrin/talin/F-actin linkage breaks. After this rupture, $\beta 3$ -integrin still bound to immobile FN could associate again with F-actin or diffuse away to find another anchoring point. On the contrary, $\beta 1$ -integrins move rearward at the speed of F-actin flow. We propose that this motion of $\beta 1$ -integrin within FAs reflect $\beta 1$ -integrins bound to the synergy site of FN. Indeed, binding to the FN synergy site is a major difference between $\beta 1$ - and $\beta 3$ -integrin when binding to FN^{29,36}. Thus experiments using chimeric integrins, demonstrating that extracellular domains determine the specific behavior of β -integrins inside FAs, implicate the FN synergy site. Binding to the FN synergy site confers to $\alpha 5\beta 1$ -integrin higher adhesion strength⁵, but also extracellular mechanical activation²⁸ possibly driven by a catch bond between $\alpha 5\beta 1$ -integrin and FN³⁷. Moreover, it has been shown that under FN stretching, the synergy site could be exposed and the RGD site buried, constituting a mechanosensitive control of ligand recognition^{28,36}. Therefore, $\alpha 5\beta 1$ -integrin can not only sustain higher F-actin forces permitting stretching and unfolding of FN³⁸, but also could specifically bind to stretched FN. We thus propose that the rearward motion of $\alpha 5\beta 1$ -integrins in FAs reflects the preferential binding to a subpopulation of FN, i.e.

stretched or stretchable FN. Since talin unfolding requires level of forces lower than for FN unfolding^{35,36}, the interface between $\alpha 5\beta 1$ -integrins and F-actin should accommodate the load sufficient to stretch FN. This suggests that different clutch modules having distinct mechanical properties are associated with specific integrins. We propose that a slipping interface exist between F-actin and immobile $\alpha v\beta 3$ -integrins, while the interface between $\alpha 5\beta 1$ -integrins and F-actin could accommodate a load used to stretch and remodel FN. This model is consistent with the localization of $\alpha 5\beta 1$ integrin both in FAs and in fibrillar adhesions and its major role in FN fibrillogenesis, as compared to $\alpha v\beta 3$ integrin which is only confined to FAs^{3,26}.

We unravel a nano-partitioning within FAs which defines the precise location and duration of β -integrin-specific biochemical and mechanical signals. We show that this organization is remodeled in less than a hundred seconds through cycles of integrin free-diffusion and immobilization. These cycles permit integrin to probe sequentially for missing binding partners, enabling the progressive building of a tripartite connection between FN/integrin/talin. This more dynamic view of FN/integrin/ABP connection implies to reconsider integrin biochemical and mechanical signaling, such as reinforcement of integrin/F-actin linkages⁷, as transient processes constantly relocating within FAs. Our work suggests that the lifecycle of adhesion sites is regulated by the fast remodeling of an integrin mosaic on which intracellular scaffolds and signaling proteins act.

Methods

Cell culture

Immortalized MEFs and $\beta 3$ -integrin^{-/-} MEFs (generously provided by Dr. Richard Hynes (Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA)) were cultured in DMEM (Gibco) with 10% FBS (v/v). Transient transfections of plasmids encoding the various constructs were performed 1 day before experiments either by using Fugene 6 (Roche, Basel, Switzerland) or by electroporation using a Nucleofector (Lonza, Basel, Switzerland) according to the manufacturer's protocol (MEF-1 solution and program T-20). On the day of the experiments, cells were detached with trypsin/EDTA (0.05% for 2 min), the trypsin inactivated with 10% (v/v) FBS DMEM, the cells washed and suspended in serum free condition in Ringer (in mM: 150 NaCl, 5 KCl, 2 CaCl₂, 2 MgCl₂, 10 HEPES, 11 Glucose, pH 7.4), and incubated for 30 min before plating on human FN (Roche) glass surface. Experiments were performed 3-5 hours after cell plating.

Antibodies and DNA constructs

ATTO647N dye-conjugated goat secondary antibody against rat IgG (used at 1:200) was obtained from Enzo Life Sciences (Farmingdale, NY, USA). Mouse monoclonal antibody against human $\alpha v \beta 3$ -integrin (clone LM609; used at 1:100) was purchased from Millipore (Billerica, MA, USA). Rat monoclonal antibody against mouse $\beta 1$ -integrin (clone 9EG7; used at 1:100) was purchased from BD Pharmingen (Franklin Lakes, NJ, USA).

Plasmid pFB-Neo-human $\beta 1$ -integrin-GFP is the generous gift of Martin Humphries (University of Manchester, Manchester, UK). For the mEOS2-tagged human $\beta 1$ -integrin construct, mEOS2 sequence was PCR-amplified and used to replace GFP of pFB-Neo-human $\beta 1$ -integrin -GFP to generate an in-frame C-terminal fusion (as described in ref. ³⁹). Human $\beta 3$ -integrin-GFP⁴⁰, was generously provided by Nelly Kieffer (CNRS/CRP, Luxembourg). Human 6His- $\beta 3$ -integrin-GFP was obtained from the previous one by domain swapping using the QuickChange® II XL Site-Directed Mutagenesis kit (Stratagene) to introduce 6His tag and glycine linker in the N-terminus. For the human 6His- $\beta 3$ -integrin, a PCR of the end of the $\beta 3$ -integrin was done to replace the PstI / BsrGI fragment of the human 6His- $\beta 3$ -integrin-GFP in order to remove the GFP. For the human 6His- $\beta 3$ -integrin-mEOS2, a PCR of mEOS2 was done on pRSETa-mEOS2 (Addgene) to replace the GFP from human 6His- $\beta 3$ -integrin-GFP at the AgeI / BsrGI sites. All the $\beta 3$ -integrin and $\beta 1$ -integrin mutants were generated by site-directed mutagenesis using the QuickChange® II XL Site-Directed Mutagenesis kit (Stratagene). PCR were performed on 6His- $\beta 3$ -integrin, 6His- $\beta 3$ -integrin-mEOS2 and $\beta 1$ -integrin-mEOS2. $\beta 3$ ext $\beta 1$ int chimeric integrin ($\beta 3$ -integrin extracellular domain fused to $\beta 1$ -integrin transmembrane and cytoplasmic domains) fused to mEOS2 was generated by replacing the GFP of the $\beta 3$ ext $\beta 1$ int chimeric⁹ by the mEOS2 sequence. For $\beta 1$ ext $\beta 3$ int chimeric integrin ($\beta 1$ -integrin extracellular domain fused to $\beta 3$ -integrin transmembrane and cytoplasmic domains), human $\beta 1$ -integrin extracellular domain was amplified from Met1 to Ile729 and fused to $\beta 3$ -integrin transmembrane and cytoplasmic domains of $\beta 3$ -integrin-GFP⁹. Then, the GFP was replaced by the sequence of mEOS2. The recombinations between the different fragments were integrated in the pLenti-MCS vector (Invitrogen) with the InFusion HD cloning kit (Ozyme). 6His-TM, the trans-membrane domain of the PDGF receptor carrying a 6His tag (pDisplay-AP-6His-CFP-TM)⁴¹ was kindly provided by A. Ting (MIT, Cambridge, MA). For the mEOS2-TM, a PCR of mEOS2 was done on pRSETa-mEOS2 (Addgene) and was used to replace the 6His tag in the 6His-TM at the SfiI / SalI sites. mEos2 Rac1 Cter (CAAX) is the generous gift of A. Gautreau (Laboratoire d'Enzymologie et de Biochimie Structurales, UPR 3082 CNRS, Gif-sur-Yvette, France). The fidelity of all

constructs was verified by sequencing. All other constructs were used as described: GFP-VASP⁴² provided by Juergen Wehland (German Research Center for Biotechnology, Braunschweig, Germany).

sptPALM

Cells were imaged at 37°C in an open chamber (Ludin chamber, Life Imaging Services, Switzerland) mounted on an inverted motorized microscope (Nikon Ti, Japan) equipped with a 100x1.45 NA PL-APO objective and a perfect focus system, allowing long acquisition in TIRF illumination mode. For photoactivation localization microscopy, cells expressing mEOS2 tagged constructs were photoactivated using a 405 nm laser (Omicron, Germany) and the resulting photoconverted single molecule fluorescence was excited with a 561 nm laser (Cobolt Jive™, Cobolt, Sweden). Both lasers illuminated the sample simultaneously. Their respective power was adjusted to keep the number of the stochastically activated molecules constant and well separated during the acquisition. To perform sptPALM, laser intensities were tuned in order to keep the single molecule fluorescent during multiple frames before bleaching. The fluorescence was collected by the combination of a dichroic and emission filters (D101-R561 and F39-617 respectively, Chroma, USA) and a sensitive EMCCD (Evolve, Photometric, USA). The acquisition was steered by Metamorph software (Molecular Devices, USA) in streaming mode at 50 frames per second (20 ms exposure time). GFP-paxillin, GFP-VASP were imaged using a conventional GFP filter cube (ET470/40, T495LPXR, ET525/50, Chroma, USA). We used multicolor fluorescent micro-beads (Tetraspeck, Invitrogen) to register long term acquisitions and correct for lateral drifts.

Single molecule segmentation and tracking

A typical single cell sptPALM, acquired with the microscope setup and protocol described above, leads to a set of 20.000 images that further need to be analysed in order to extract molecule localization and dynamics. Single molecule fluorescent spots were localized in each image frame and tracked over time using a combination of wavelet segmentation and simulated annealing algorithms^{43,44}. Under the experimental conditions described above, the resolution of the whole system was quantified to 47 nm (Full Width at Half Maximum). This spatial resolution, which depends on the image signal to noise ratio and the segmentation algorithm^{45,46}, was determined experimentally using fixed samples labelled with mEOS2. To do so, we analysed 130 2D distributions of single molecule positions belonging to long trajectories (more than 50 frames) by bi-dimensional Gaussian fitting, the resolution being determined as $2.3\sigma_{xy}$, where σ_{xy} is the pointing accuracy. For the trajectory analysis, FAs were identified by wavelet image segmentation of the GFP-paxillin or GFP-VASP signal. The corresponding binary mask was then used to sort single particle data analyses to specific regions.

We analyzed trajectories lasting at least 20 points ($400 \text{ ms} \leq$, 8% of the trajectories) with a custom routine written for Matlab using the mean squared displacement *MSD* computed as (Eq. 1):

$$MSD(t = n \cdot \Delta t) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N-n} (x_{i+n} - x_i)^2 + (y_{i+n} - y_i)^2}{N - n} \quad Eq. 1$$

where x_i and y_i are the coordinates of the label position at time $i \cdot \Delta t$. We defined the measured diffusion coefficient D as the slope of the affine regression line fitted to the $n = 1$ to 4 values of the $MSD(n \cdot \Delta t)$. The *MSD* was computed then fitted on a duration equal to 60% (minimum of 12 points, 240 ms) of the whole stretch by (Eq 2):

$$MSD(t) = \frac{4r_{conf}^2}{3} (1 - e^{-t/\tau}) \quad Eq. 2$$

where r_{conf} is the measured confinement radius and τ the time constant ($\tau = r_{conf}^2/3D_{conf}$). Trajectories were sorted in 3 groups, immobile, confined diffusion and free-diffusion. Immobile trajectories were defined as trajectories with $D < 0.008 \mu\text{m}^2.\text{s}^{-1}$, corresponding to molecules which explored an area inferior to the one defined by the image spatial resolution $\sim (0.05\mu\text{m})^2$ during the time used to fit the initial slope of the MSD⁴⁷ (4 points, 80 ms): $D = (0.05\mu\text{m})^2 / (4 \times 4 \times 0.02\text{s}) \sim 0.008 \mu\text{m}^2.\text{s}^{-1}$. To separate trajectories displaying free-diffusion from confined diffusion, we used the time constant τ calculated for each trajectory. We sorted trajectories displaying free-diffusion from confined diffusion using the time constant τ defined above. Confined trajectories were defined as trajectories with a time constant τ inferior to half the time interval used to compute the MSD (120 ms). On the contrary, free-diffusing trajectories were defined as trajectories with a time constant superior to half the time interval used to compute the MSD (120 ms). The result of this sorting procedure is illustrated in Fig. 1b,d which shows the variation of the MSD over the time interval for each population: flat for immobile trajectories (red), reaching a plateau for confined trajectories (green), and linear for diffusive trajectories (purple)(see Fig. 1b,d).

Localization of immobilization zones and measurement of their durations

Immobilization zones correspond to locations where bursts of mEOS2 fluorescence were repeatedly detected during the course of a sptPALM sequence (Supplementary Fig. S3). The duration of immobilization zones was defined as the time interval between the first and the last mEOS2 detection at the same location (Supplementary Fig. S3). More precisely, we first generated a sptPALM intensity image for each cell (20000 frames, 400s). Then, the images were processed with a wavelet-based segmentation algorithm to define immobilization zones and generate the corresponding binary mask. Then from the same set of data, we generated a super-resolved time-lapse movie (frame rate 1s) and we used the binary mask, to study time evolution of the fluorescence emission within immobilization zones. To eliminate the events stemming from molecules crossing the immobilization area, single molecule detections were taken into account only if at least 3 fluorescent events were occurring within 1 s. To account for blinking⁴⁸ of mEOS2, up to 20 s off-times were allowed in a time trace for defining an immobilization event. As a control, the same procedure was applied to $\beta 3$ -WT in fixed cells where apparent finite time traces are imposed by mEOS2 photo-physics (bleaching and blinking). The duration measured in this case are systematically longer than in live cells, and well above lifetimes measured for conditions shortening integrin immobilization.

Probes functionalization and TrisNTA-ATTO647N synthesis

We performed SMT using a small ATTO647N probes functionalized with Ni^{2+} trisnitrilotriacetic acid (TrisNTA), a high affinity ligand for 6-histidine (6His) tag^{24,25} fused to the extracellular N-terminal of $\beta 3$ -integrin WT, mutants, and TM. Because the dye/linker combinations were small (2 nm) and monovalent, $\beta 3$ -integrins were efficiently labeled (Supplementary Fig. S4) and tracked (Supplementary Fig. S5) in crowded and confined FAs at the cell-substrate interface. TrisNTA, synthesized as previously described^{24,49}, was coupled on solid phase to the N terminus of the proline linker peptide, PPPPCA. After deprotection and cleavage from the resin, the cysteine residue was labeled with ATTO647N-maleimide (ATTO-TEC GmbH, Siegen, Germany) via standard thiol chemistry. Products were purified via reversed-phase C_{18} HPLC. The trisNTA-ATTO647N was loaded with nickel and its concentration was determined via the absorption of the fluorophore as described²⁴.

SMT

A standard single molecule epifluorescence microscope was used for detecting individual fluorophores⁴⁷. In brief, the 633 nm line of a HeNe laser in the TIRF mode was used to excite individual ATTO647N molecules, an organic dye, which bears remarkable photostability properties^{25,31}. Samples were mounted on an inverted microscope (IX71 Olympus) equipped with a high 100x objective (NA = 1.45) and a CCD camera (Cascade 128, Roper Scientific). We used an acquisition frequency of 5Hz to further increase the number of long trajectories (>10 s). In each image of the recorded sequence, the single fluorescent probes appear as diffraction-limited bright spots. Images were analyzed using the segmentation and tracking program described above for sptPALM in order to retrieve single ATTO647N localizations and trajectories. The resolution of the whole system was quantified to 48 nm (Full Width at Half Maximum). For the trajectory analysis, FAs were identified by wavelet image segmentation of the GFP-VASP signal. Trajectories were segmented according to their location inside or outside FAs. Trajectories were analyzed using a custom Matlab routine⁵⁰. We analyzed the degree of molecule mobility by measuring the molecule displacement steps. Probability distributions of the squared displacement steps were used as a statistical approach to characterize the mobility behaviors of β 3-integrin sub-populations (see ref. ⁴⁷). Within the spatial resolution of our experimental conditions, displacements steps lower than $(0.048 \mu\text{m})^2 = 2.3 \cdot 10^{-3} \mu\text{m}^2$ are assigned to immobile molecules. Both inside and outside FAs, we found two populations: one including immobile and slowly mobile molecules, and the other displaying faster mobility (Supplementary Fig. S5). The fractions of these two populations, for all conditions, were in agreement with the fraction of immobilization measured by sptPALM (Supplementary Fig. S5e-g).

STED

MEFs expressing human β 3-integrin-GFP were spread on FN coated glass coverslips. MEFs were fixed for 15 min in 4% paraformaldehyde and permeabilized with 0.2 % triton X-100 for 10 min. Then we performed immunostaining of: (i) endogenous mouse β 1-integrin with monoclonal antibody (clone 9EG7 from BD Pharmingen, NJ, USA) detected by ATTO647N labeled secondary antibody (rat); or (ii) transfected human β 3-integrin with a monoclonal anti human integrin α vBeta3 (clone LM609, from Millipore) detected by ATTO647N labeled secondary antibody (mouse). We used a commercial STED microscope Leica DMI6000 inverted TCS SP5 AOBS (Leica, Germany) to obtain super-resolved images of β 1-integrin or β 3-integrin. Using the regular confocal mode, we acquired β 3-integrin-GFP images to localize FAs.

Statistical analysis.

Averages and SEM were calculated and are shown in the graphs. Respective n values are shown in the figure legends and in Supplementary table S1-3. The indicated P values were obtained with two-tailed Student's t -tests. Resulting P values are indicated as follows n.s when $P > 0.05$; * when $0.01 < P < 0.05$; ** when $0.001 < P < 0.01$; *** when $P < 0.0001$.

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Figure legends

Figure 1. β 3-integrins preferential immobilization and slower free-diffusion within FAs are triggered by integrin specific interactions

(a) sptPALM of β 3-WT-mEOS2 in MEFs. Trajectories overlaid on FAs (gray) are color-coded to show their diffusion modes: diffusive (purple), confined (green) and immobile (red). Boxed area (left), region shown on the right, scale bars, 1 μ m. (b) Variation of the MSD over time for trajectories inside (plain) and outside FAs (dashed) with the same color-code as in a (mean \pm SEM for trajectories). (c,d) Same as a and b for CAAX. (e) Fraction of diffusive, confined and immobile populations for β 3-WT (black), TM (yellow) and CAAX (magenta) inside and outside FAs (mean \pm SEM for cells). (f,g) Distribution of LOG(D) inside and outside FAs (mean for cells). The gray areas including D values inferior to 0.008 μ m².s⁻¹ correspond to immobile trajectories. (h) Radii of confinements (mean \pm SEM for trajectories). (i) D for confined events (mean \pm SEM for trajectories). (j) D for free-diffusive events (mean \pm SEM for trajectories). β 3-WT (9 cells, n=23804 trajectories), TM (5 cells, n=14256 trajectories) and CAAX (6 cells, n=8008 trajectories) (also see Supplementary table S1).). When indicated, statistical significances were obtained with a two-tailed Student's t-test comparing inside FAs, the different conditions vs. the β 3-WT condition and outside FAs, comparing inside vs. outside values for each given condition. Resulting P values are indicated as follows n.s when P > 0.05; * when 0.01<P<0.05; ** when 0.001<P<0.01; *** when P<0.0001.

Figure 2. Conditions promoting integrin activation correlate with integrin immobilization which requires simultaneous FN and ABP binding, while initiation depends preferentially on ABP

(a) sptPALM of β 3-N305T. Trajectories overlaid on FAs (gray) are color-coded to show their diffusion modes: diffusive (purple), confined (green) and immobile (red). Boxed area (left), region shown on the right, scale bars, 1 μ m. (b,c) Distribution of LOG(D) inside and outside FAs for β 3-WT (black), β 3-N305T (blue) and Mn²⁺ stimulated β 3-WT (light blue) (mean for cells). The gray areas including D values inferior to 0.008 μ m².s⁻¹ correspond to immobile trajectories. (d) Fraction of diffusive, confined and immobile populations (mean \pm SEM for cells) and (e) D for free-diffusive events (mean \pm SEM for trajectories). (f) sptPALM of β 3-Y747A. Trajectories overlaid on FAs (gray) are color-coded to show their diffusion modes:

diffusive (purple), confined (green) and immobile (red). Boxed area (left), region shown on the right, scale bars, 1 μm . **(g,h)** Distribution of LOG(D) inside and outside FAs for $\beta 3$ -WT (black), $\beta 3$ -D119Y (green) and $\beta 3$ -Y747A (red) inside and outside FAs (mean for cells). The gray areas including D values inferior to $0.008 \mu\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$ correspond to immobile trajectories. **(i)** Fraction of diffusive, confined and immobile populations (mean \pm SEM for trajectories) and **(j)** D for free-diffusive events (mean \pm SEM for trajectories). $\beta 3$ -N305T (7 cells, 8876 trajectories), $\beta 3$ -WT + Mn^{2+} (4 cells, 12910 trajectories), $\beta 3$ -D119Y (6 cells, 23784 trajectories), $\beta 3$ -Y747A (6 cells, 17894 trajectories) (also see Supplementary table S1). When indicated, statistical significances were obtained with a two-tailed Student's t-test comparing inside FAs, the different conditions vs. the $\beta 3$ -WT condition and outside FAs, comparing inside vs. outside values for each given condition. Otherwise, a black line indicates which pair of conditions was compared.

Figure 3. Integrins undergo repeated cycles of slow free-diffusion and immobilization within FAs

(a) High resolution image of $\beta 3$ -WT density in a FA (inset: labeled with GFP-paxillin) obtained from a sptPALM sequence (duration: 400s). Boxed area (left) is shown at right highlighting $\beta 3$ -WT immobilization zones (arrow). Kymograph (right) generated from sptPALM super-resolution time-lapse²³ along the length of the FA (inset, dashed lines encompassing the FA). The duration of immobilization zones was defined as the time interval between the first and the last mEOS2 detection (dashed lines) at the same location. In between signal intermittencies could be attributed to on-off blinking characteristic of single mEOS2 (see Methods). **(b)** Same as **a** but for $\beta 3$ -Y747A. **(c)** Cumulative distribution of immobilization duration measured from sptPALM, inside (left) and outside (right) FAs for: $\beta 3$ -WT (black, plain, 9 cells, 10821 immobilization events), $\beta 3$ -WT in fixed cells (black, dashed, 7 cells, 5610 immobilization events), $\beta 3$ -N305T (blue, 7 cells, 5396 immobilization events), $\beta 3$ -D119Y (green, 6 cells, 5588 immobilization events), $\beta 3$ -Y747A (red, 5 cells, 2895 immobilization events) and CAAX (magenta, 6 cells, 1239 immobilization events). **(d)** SMT of 6His- $\beta 3$ -WT using TrisNTA-ATTO647N. Trajectory (14 s) overlaid on FAs is color-coded from slow (red) to fast (blue) displacement steps and displays transitions between fast free-diffusion (1), slow free-diffusion (2) and confinement (3). Boxed area (left), region shown on the middle. Right: instantaneous displacement (STEP^2) versus time along the described trajectory. **(e)** Same as **d** for a trajectory (17 s) overlaid on FAs displaying transitions between

confinement (1), slow free-diffusion (2) and confinement (3). (also see Supplementary Fig. S4,S5).

Figure 4. Differential nano-scale organization of $\beta 3$ - and $\beta 1$ -integrins in FAs is determined by the extracellular binding to FN

(a) sptPALM of $\beta 1$ -WT. Trajectories overlaid on FAs (gray) are color-coded to show their diffusion modes: diffusive (purple), confined (green) and immobile (red). Boxed area (left), region shown on the right, scale bars, 1 μm . (b,c) Distribution of LOG(D) inside and outside FAs for $\beta 3$ -WT (black), $\beta 1$ -WT (brown), $\beta 1$ -D130Y (green) and $\beta 1$ -Y783A (red) (mean for cells). The gray areas including D values inferior to $0.008 \mu\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$ correspond to immobile trajectories. (d) Fraction of diffusive, confined and immobile populations (mean \pm SEM for cells) and (e) D for free-diffusive events (mean \pm SEM for trajectories) for $\beta 3$ -WT (black), $\beta 1$ -WT (brown), $\beta 1$ -D130Y (green) and $\beta 1$ -Y783A (red) but also for the chimeras $\beta 3_{\text{ext}}\beta 1_{\text{int}}$ (black) and $\beta 1_{\text{ext}}\beta 3_{\text{int}}$ (brown). (f) Ratio of inside versus outside FAs detections for $\beta 3$ -integrins (black), $\beta 1$ -integrins (brown), but also for chimeric $\beta 3_{\text{ext}}\beta 1_{\text{int}}$ (black) and $\beta 1_{\text{ext}}\beta 3_{\text{int}}$ (brown). (g) High resolution sptPALM image of $\beta 3$ -WT density in FAs. Boxed area (left) is shown at right. (h) Same as g for $\beta 1$ -WT. $\beta 1$ -WT (9 cells, 21749 trajectories), $\beta 1$ -D130Y (10 cells, 13593 trajectories), $\beta 1$ -Y783A (7 cells, 7665 trajectories), $\beta 3_{\text{ext}}\beta 1_{\text{int}}$ (8 cells, 10756 trajectories), $\beta 1_{\text{ext}}\beta 3_{\text{int}}$ (6 cells, 8848 trajectories) (also see Supplementary table S1). When indicated, statistical significances were obtained with a two-tailed Student's t-test comparing inside FAs, the different conditions vs. the $\beta 1$ -WT condition and outside FAs, comparing inside vs. outside values for each given condition. Otherwise, a black line indicates which pair of conditions was compared.

Figure 5. The differential transmission of actin motion for $\beta 3$ - and $\beta 1$ -integrins within FAs are determined by the extracellular binding to FN.

(a) High resolution image of $\beta 3$ -WT density in FAs (right) labeled by GFP-paxillin (left). Scale bar, 2 μm . (b) Kymograph obtained from super-resolution time-lapses (frame rate 4s) along a FA highlighted with white dashed lines in a where the horizontal axis represents spatial dimension and the vertical axis represents time. Kymographs allow the measurement of long term motions of immobilized integrins within FAs. $\beta 3$ -WT long term motions are highlighted by dashed white lines with the corresponding velocity in nm/s. (c) Same as a for $\beta 1$ -WT. (d) Same as b for $\beta 1$ -WT. (e) Distribution of rearward speed for $\beta 3$ -WT (black) and

β 1-WT (brown). **(f)** Same as **e** for chimeric β 3ext- β 1int (black) and β 1ext- β 3int (brown). β 1-WT (8 cells, 489 events), β 3-WT (5 cells, 346 events); β 1ext- β 3int (8 cells, 603 events), β 3ext- β 1int (9 cells, 842 events).

Figure 1-Giannone

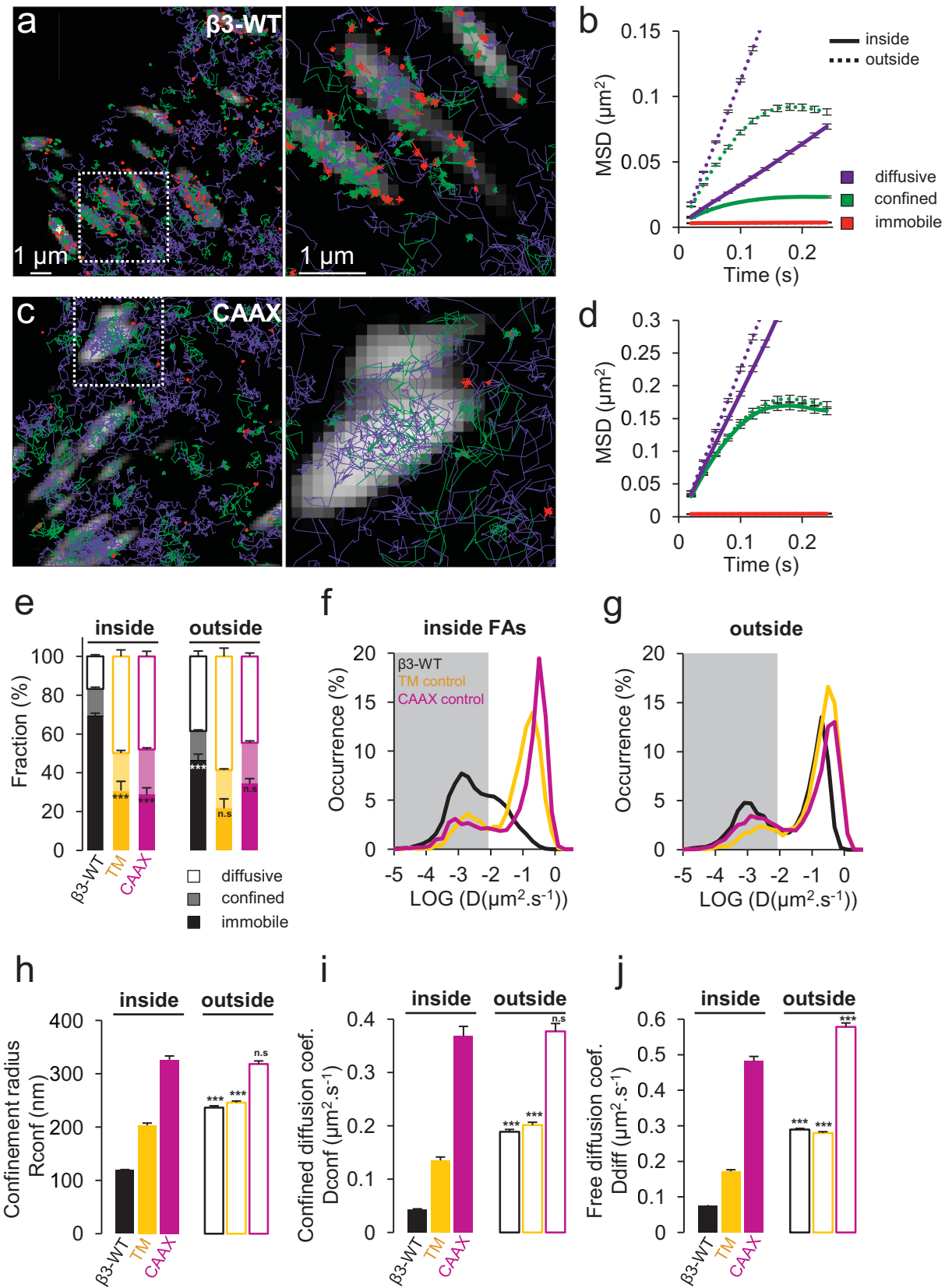


Figure 2-Giannone

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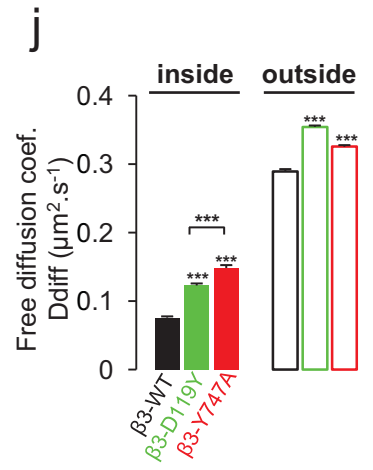
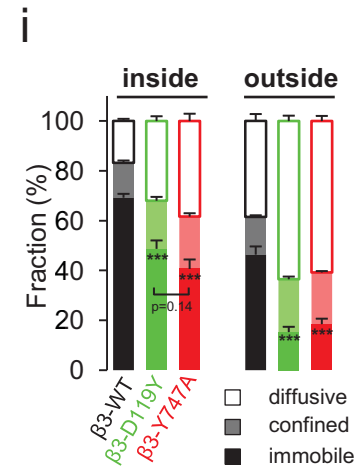
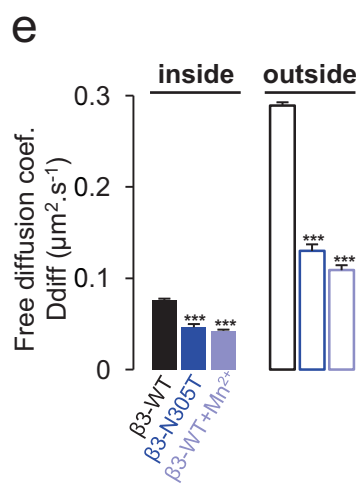
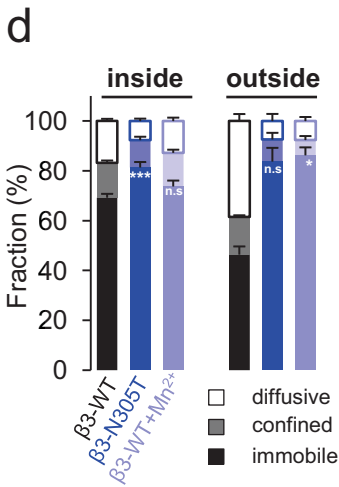
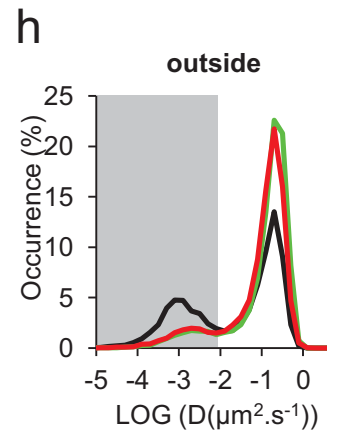
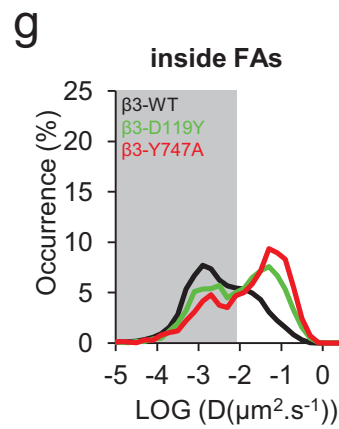
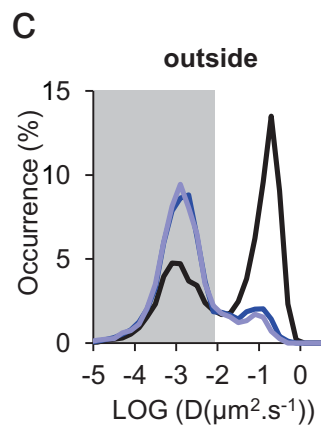
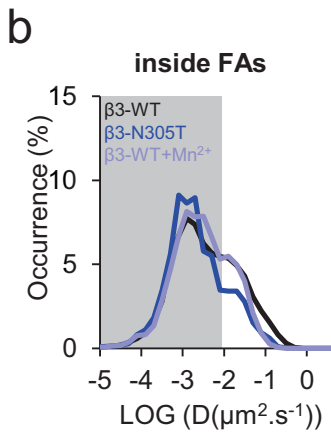
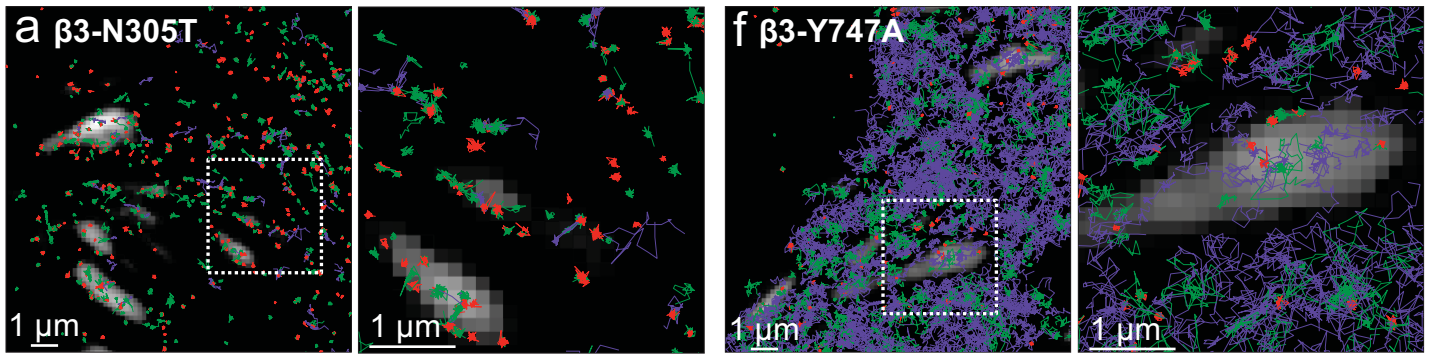


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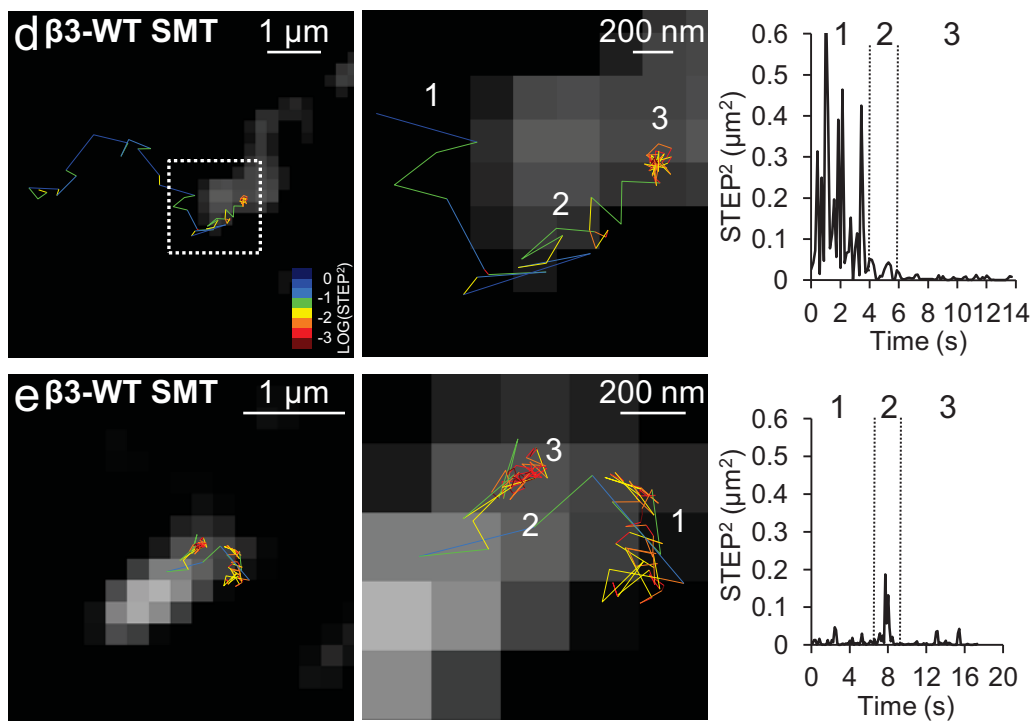
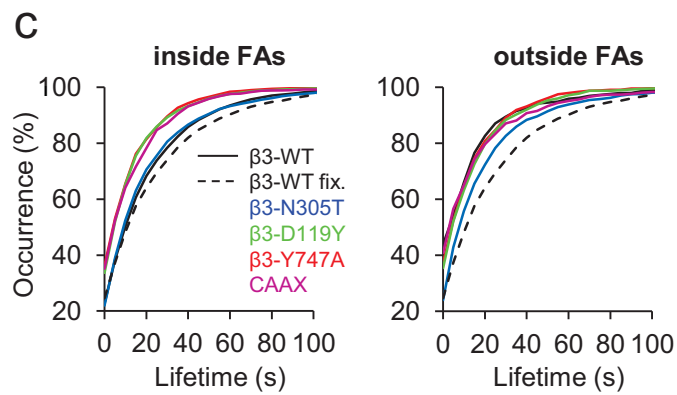
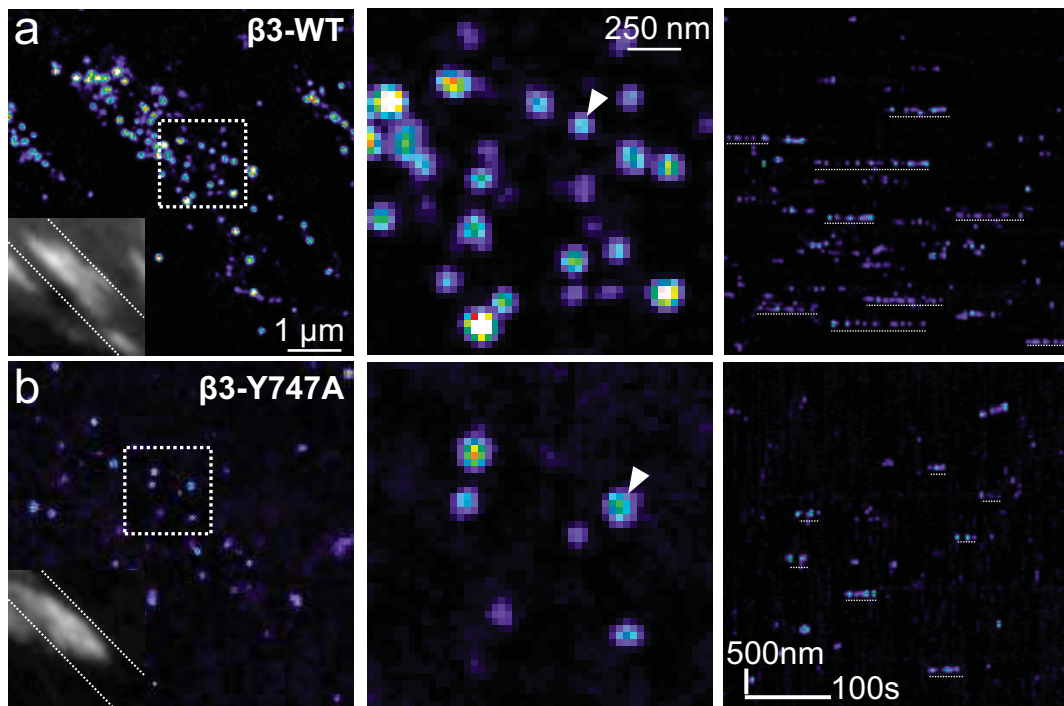


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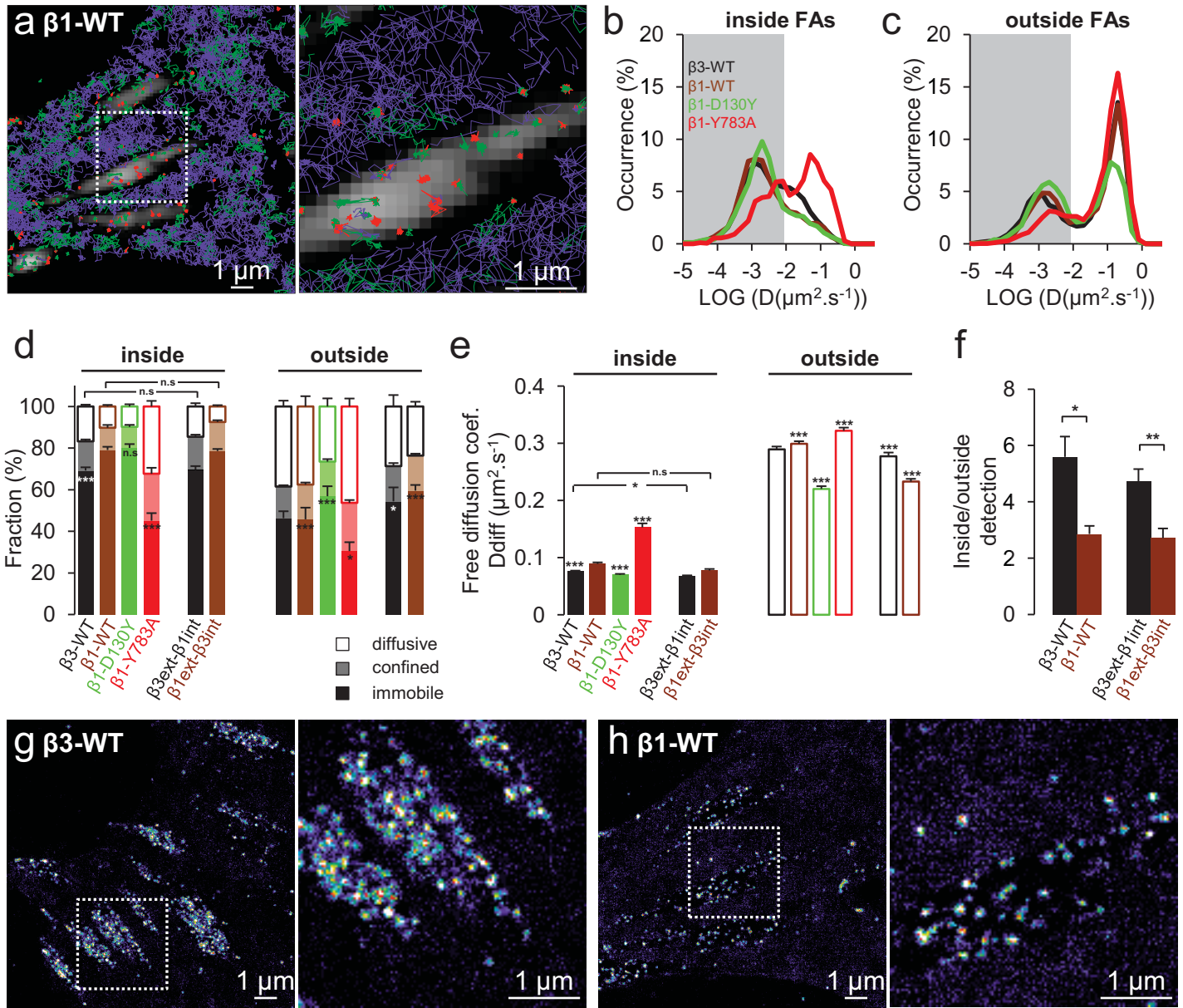
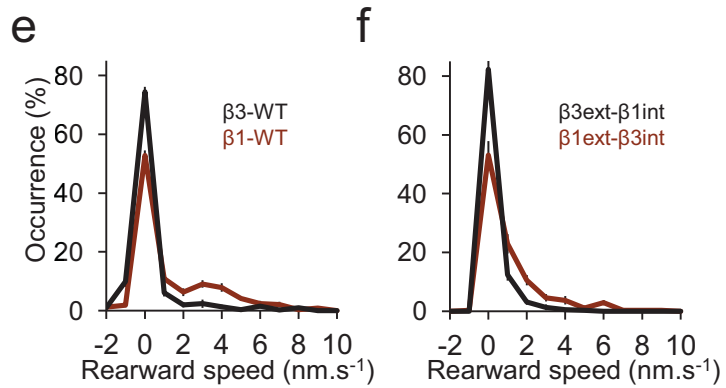
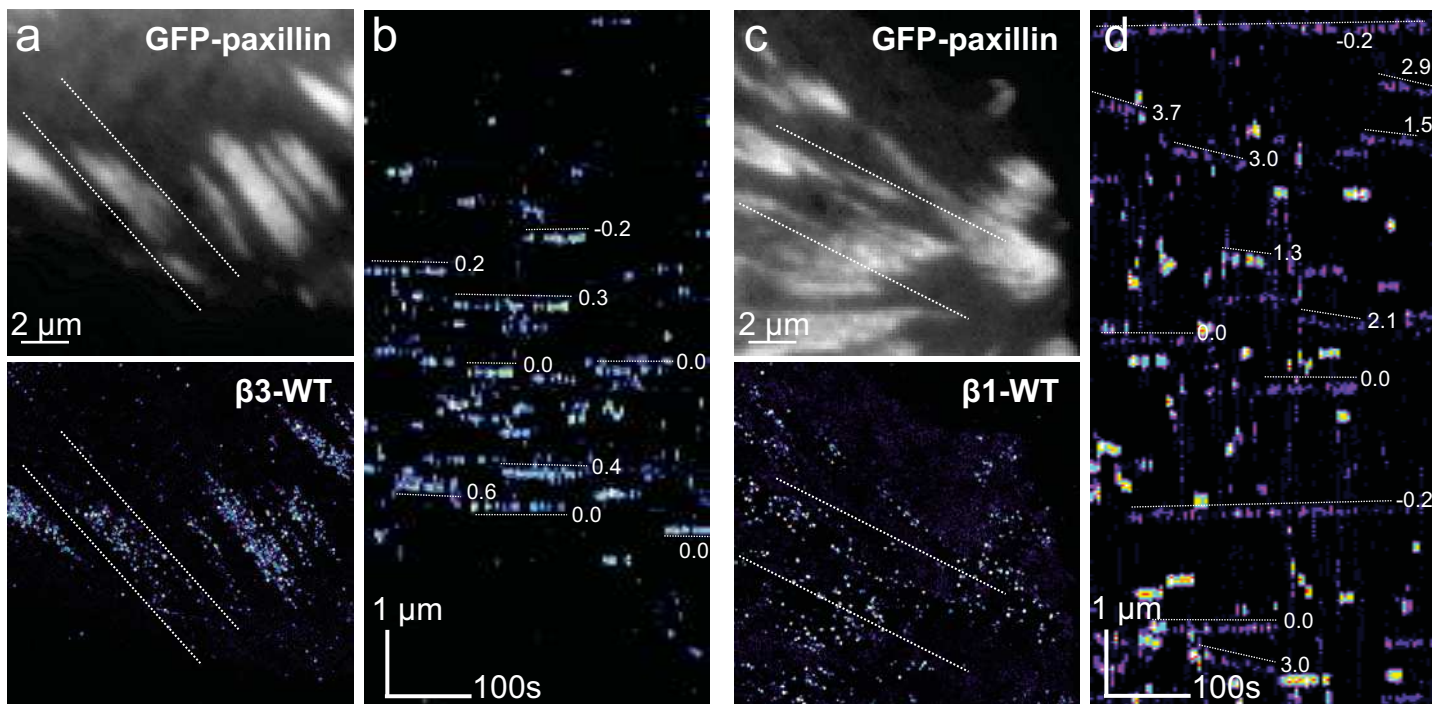


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Supplementary Information

Supplementary figure legends

Figure S1. Motion parameters of confined diffusion for $\beta 3$ -WT, Mn^{2+} stimulated $\beta 3$ -WT, $\beta 3$ -N305T, $\beta 3$ -D119Y and $\beta 3$ -Y747A

Motion parameters extracted from sptPALM experiments. **(a)** D for confined events (mean \pm SEM for trajectories) for $\beta 3$ -WT (black), $\beta 3$ -N305T (blue) and Mn^{2+} stimulated $\beta 3$ -WT (light blue) inside and outside FAs. **(b)** Radii of confinements (mean \pm SEM for trajectories). **(c)** D for confined events (mean \pm SEM for trajectories) for $\beta 3$ -WT (black), $\beta 3$ -D119Y (green) and $\beta 3$ -Y747A (red) inside and outside FAs. **(d)** Radii of confinements (mean \pm SEM for trajectories). $\beta 3$ -WT (9 cells, n=23804 trajectories), $\beta 3$ -N305T (7 cells, 8876 trajectories), $\beta 3$ -WT + Mn^{2+} (4 cells, 12910 trajectories), $\beta 3$ -D119Y (6 cells, 23784 trajectories), $\beta 3$ -Y747A (6 cells, 17894 trajectories) (also see Supplementary table S1). When indicated, statistical significances were obtained with a two-tailed Student's t-test comparing inside FAs, the different conditions vs. the $\beta 3$ -WT condition and outside FAs, comparing inside vs. outside values for each given condition. Otherwise, a black line indicates which pair of conditions was compared.

Figure S2. Conditions promoting integrin activation correlate with integrin immobilization which requires simultaneous FN and ABP binding, while initiation depends preferentially on ABP binding

Motion parameters extracted from sptPALM for $\beta 3$ -integrins in experiments where FAs were reported using GFP-VASP instead of GFP-paxillin. **(a)** Fraction of diffusive, confined and immobile populations for $\beta 3$ -WT (black), $\beta 3$ -D119Y (green) and $\beta 3$ -Y747A (red), $\beta 3$ -N305T (blue) inside and outside FAs (mean \pm SEM for cells). **(b)** Radii of confinements (mean \pm SEM for trajectories). **(c)** D for confined events (mean \pm SEM for trajectories). **(d)** D for free-diffusive events (mean \pm SEM for trajectories). $\beta 3$ -WT (10 cells, n=15798 trajectories), $\beta 3$ -N305T (4 cells, n=3510 trajectories), $\beta 3$ -D119Y (8 cells, n=20130 trajectories), $\beta 3$ -Y747A (5 cells, n=17089 trajectories) (also see Supplementary table S2).

Motion parameters extracted from sptPALM for $\beta 3$ -integrins in $\beta 3$ -integrin^{-/-} MEFs. FAs were reported using GFP-paxillin. **(e)** Fraction of diffusive, confined and immobile

populations for $\beta 3$ -WT (black), $\beta 3$ -D119Y (green) and $\beta 3$ -Y747A (red), $\beta 3$ -N305T (blue) inside and outside FAs (mean \pm SEM for cells). **(f)** Radii of confinements (mean \pm SEM for trajectories). **(g)** D for confined events (mean \pm SEM for trajectories). **(h)** D for free-diffusive events (mean \pm SEM for trajectories). $\beta 3$ -WT (6 cells, n=24861 trajectories), $\beta 3$ -N305T (5 cells, n=11083 trajectories), $\beta 3$ -D119Y (6 cells, n=17160 trajectories), $\beta 3$ -Y747A (5 cells, n=22260 trajectories) (also see Supplementary table S3). When indicated, statistical significances were obtained with a two-tailed Student's t-test comparing inside FAs, the different conditions vs. the $\beta 3$ -WT condition and outside FAs, comparing inside vs. outside values for each given condition. Otherwise, a black line indicates which pair of conditions was compared.

Figure S3. Measurements of immobilization zones duration using sptPALM

(a) High resolution image of $\beta 3$ -WT density (middle) in a FA (left: labeled with GFP-VASP) obtained from sptPALM sequence (duration: 400s) showing zones of $\beta 3$ -WT immobilization, scale bar, 2 μm . Boxed area, region shown at right, scale bar, 500 nm. **(b)** Fluorescence intensity versus time from the circled immobilization zone in **a** showing repetitive mEOS2 single fluorescent events (raw data). Short single fluorescent events (less than 3 points) that might correspond to trajectories only crossing the immobilization zone, were filtered out per our analysis method (filtered data). Longer single fluorescent events were used to determine the lifetimes. Lifetime (36 s) was measured as the time interval between the first and the last mEOS2 detection at the immobilization zone (see methods).

Figure S4. 6His- $\beta 3$ -integrins were efficiently labeled with TrisNTA-ATTO647N.

(a) Schematic of the labeling by TrisNTA-ATTO647N of 6His- $\beta 3$ -WT used during SMT experiments. **(b)** Labeling of 6His- $\beta 3$ -WT by TrisNTA-ATTO647N (middle) showed strong co-localization with FAs detected by GFP-VASP (left) in MEFs, scale bar, 5 μm . **(c-e)** Same labeling strategy used for respectively 6His- $\beta 3$ -N305T, 6His- $\beta 3$ -D119Y, 6His- $\beta 3$ -Y747A.

Figure S5. ABP binding induces $\beta 3$ -integrin immobilization more than FN.

(a) SMT experiments of 6His- $\beta 3$ -WT in MEFs using TrisNTA-ATTO647N labeling strategy. Trajectories overlaid on the FAs image (gray scale). Displacement between consecutive time points (STEP) are color-coded ($\text{LOG}(\text{STEP}^2)$), from red (confined diffusion) to blue (free diffusion). Boxed area (left), region shown in the middle, scale bar, 1 μm . Variation of STEP^2

as function of time (right). **(b-d)** Same for respectively 6His- β 3-N305T, 6His- β 3-D119Y, 6His- β 3-Y747A. Distribution of STEP^2 (logarithmic scale, base 10) inside **(e)** and outside **(f)** FAs. Both inside and outside FAs, we found two populations: one including immobile and slowly mobile molecules, and the other displaying faster mobility. The fractions of these two populations **(g)**, for all conditions, were in agreement with the fraction of immobilization measured by sptPALM. 6His- β 3-WT (5 cells, 130 (517 after FA segmentation) trajectories), 6His- β 3-WT + Mn^{2+} (16 cells, 194 (833 after FA segmentation) trajectories), 6His- β 3-N305T (9 cells, 183 (484 after FA segmentation) trajectories), 6His- β 3-D119Y (10 cells, 328 (1598 after FA segmentation) trajectories), 6His- β 3-Y747A (6 cells, 301 (1643 after FA segmentation) trajectories), TM (7 cells, 244 (1010 after FA segmentation) trajectories).

Figure S6. Motion parameters for β 3-WT, β 1-WT, β 1-D130Y, β 1-Y783A, β 3ext- β 1int, β 1ext- β 3int

Motion parameters extracted from sptPALM experiments. **(a)** Distribution of $\text{LOG}(D)$ inside and outside FAs (mean for cells) for β 3-WT (black), β 1-WT (brown), β 3ext- β 1int (dashed black) and β 1ext- β 3int (dashed brown). The gray areas including D values inferior to $0.008 \mu\text{m}^2.\text{s}^{-1}$ correspond to immobile trajectories. **(b)** D for confined events (mean \pm SEM for trajectories) inside and outside FAs for β 3-WT (black), β 1-WT (brown), β 1-D130Y (green) and β 1-Y783A (red) but also for the chimeras β 3ext- β 1int (black) and β 1ext- β 3int (brown). **(c)** D for free-diffusive events (mean \pm SEM for trajectories). β 3-WT (9 cells, $n=23804$ trajectories), β 1-WT (9 cells, 21749 trajectories), β 1-D130Y (10 cells, 13593 trajectories), β 1-Y783A (7 cells, 7665 trajectories), β 3ext- β 1int (8 cells, 10756 trajectories), β 1ext- β 3int (6 cells, 8848 trajectories) (also see Supplementary table S1). **(d)** Cumulative distribution of immobilization duration measured from sptPALM, inside (left) and outside (right) FAs for β 3-WT (black, 9 cells, 10821 immobilization events), β 1-WT (brown, 6 cells, 5513 immobilization events), β 1-D130Y (green, 6 cells, 1963 immobilization events), β 1-Y783A (red, 5 cells, 995 immobilization events). When indicated, statistical significances were obtained with a two-tailed Student's t-test comparing inside FAs, the different conditions vs. the β 1-WT condition and outside FAs, comparing inside vs. outside values for each given condition. Otherwise, a black line indicates which pair of conditions was compared.

Figure S7. STED imaging confirms the differential nano-scale organization of β 3- and β 1-integrins in FAs

(a) STED super-resolved image of transfected human β 3-integrin-GFP labelled with a monoclonal anti human integrin α vBeta3 (clone LM609) and detected by ATTO647N labeled secondary antibody. Confocal image of β 3-integrin-GFP (upper left), β 3-integrin STED image (upper middle), merged image (upper right), scale bars, 5 μ m. Boxed areas, regions shown at the bottom, scale bars, 1 μ m. **(b)** STED super-resolved image of endogenous mouse β 1-integrin labelled with a monoclonal antibody (clone 9EG7) and detected by ATTO647N labeled secondary antibody. Confocal image of β 3-integrin-GFP (upper left), β 1-integrin STED image (upper middle), merged image (upper right), scale bars, 5 μ m. Boxed areas, regions shown on the bottom, scale bars, 1 μ m.

Supplementary Tables and legends:

Table S1: sptPALM, MEFs co-transfected with GFP-paxillin

	β3-WT-mEOS2		β3-N305T-mEOS2		β3-WT-mEOS2+Mn²⁺	
trajectories, cells	23804, 9		8876, 7		12910, 4	
	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)
immobile FA	69 \pm 2	<8	81 \pm 2	<8	74 \pm 2	<8
confined FA	14 \pm 1	43 \pm 1	11 \pm 1	27 \pm 2	13 \pm 1	26 \pm 1
free-diffusive FA	17 \pm 1	76 \pm 1	8 \pm 1	46 \pm 3	13 \pm 1	43 \pm 1
Immobile OUT	46 \pm 3	<8	84 \pm 5	<8	86 \pm 3	<8
confined OUT	15 \pm 1	189 \pm 5	9 \pm 3	61 \pm 4	6 \pm 2	43 \pm 3
free-diffusive OUT	39 \pm 3	289 \pm 3	7 \pm 3	130 \pm 7	8 \pm 2	109 \pm 5
r _{conf} FA (nm), 0.4s	119 \pm 1		100 \pm 2		103 \pm 1	
r _{conf} OUT (nm), 0.4s	236 \pm 3		133 \pm 4		118 \pm 3	
	β3-D119Y-mEOS2		β3-Y747A-mEOS2		TM-mEOS2	
trajectories, cells	23784, 6		17894, 6		14256, 5	
	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)
immobile FA	49 \pm 3	<8	41 \pm 4	<8	31 \pm 5	<8
confined FA	19 \pm 2	76 \pm 2	21 \pm 1	106 \pm 5	19 \pm 1	135 \pm 6
free-diffusive FA	32 \pm 2	123 \pm 3	38 \pm 3	148 \pm 4	50 \pm 3	172 \pm 4
Immobile OUT	15 \pm 2	<8	18 \pm 2	<8	22 \pm 5	<8
confined OUT	21 \pm 1	261 \pm 3	21 \pm 5	229 \pm 4	20 \pm 1	201 \pm 5
free-diffusive OUT	64 \pm 2	354 \pm 2	61 \pm 2	326 \pm 2	58 \pm 4	280 \pm 3
r _{conf} FA (nm), 0.4s	154 \pm 2		178 \pm 4		203 \pm 4	
r _{conf} OUT (nm), 0.4s	286 \pm 2		268 \pm 2		246 \pm 3	
	CAAX-mEOS2					
trajectories, cells	8008, 6					
	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)				
immobile FA	29 \pm 4	<8				
confined FA	23 \pm 1	368 \pm 1				
free-diffusive FA	48 \pm 3	482 \pm 10				
Immobile OUT	34 \pm 3	<8				
confined OUT	21 \pm 1	377 \pm 11				
free-diffusive OUT	45 \pm 2	578 \pm 9				
r _{conf} FA (nm), 0.4s	326 \pm 7					
r _{conf} OUT (nm), 0.4s	318 \pm 6					

	β1-WT-mEOS2		β1-D130Y-mEOS2		β1-Y783A-mEOS2	
trajectories, cells	21749, 9		13593, 10		7665, 7	
	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)
immobile FA	79 \pm 2	<8	80 \pm 2	<8	45 \pm 4	<8
confined FA	11 \pm 1	49 \pm 3	10 \pm 1	36 \pm 2	23 \pm 3	99 \pm 7
free-diffusive FA	10 \pm 1	89 \pm 4	10 \pm 1	70 \pm 3	32 \pm 3	153 \pm 7
Immobile OUT	46 \pm 6	<8	57 \pm 5	<8	31 \pm 4	<8
confined OUT	17 \pm 1	200 \pm 4	17 \pm 1	120 \pm 5	23 \pm 1	219 \pm 5
free-diffusive OUT	37 \pm 5	299 \pm 3	26 \pm 4	220 \pm 4	46 \pm 4	322 \pm 4
r _{conf} FA (nm), 0.4s	124 \pm 2		115 \pm 2		175 \pm 6	
r _{conf} OUT (nm), 0.4s	241 \pm 3		187 \pm 3		261 \pm 4	
	β1ext-β3int-mEOS2		β3ext-β1int-mEOS2			
trajectories, cells	8848, 6		10756, 8			
	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)		
immobile FA	79 \pm 1	<8	70 \pm 2	<8		
confined FA	14 \pm 1	36 \pm 3	16 \pm 1	33 \pm 1		
free-diffusive FA	7 \pm 1	78 \pm 5	14 \pm 2	68 \pm 3		
Immobile OUT	59 \pm 3	<8	54 \pm 7	<8		
confined OUT	17 \pm 1	122 \pm 5	17 \pm 1	154 \pm 7		
free-diffusive OUT	24 \pm 2	233 \pm 5	29 \pm 5	277 \pm 6		
r _{conf} FA (nm), 0.4s	120 \pm 2		120 \pm 2			
r _{conf} OUT (nm), 0.4s	192 \pm 4		208 \pm 5			

Values correspond to mean \pm SEM

β 3-WT: 9 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=10672/3777 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=2204/1280 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=2636/3235 trajectories. **β 3-N305T:** 7 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=3018/4394 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=407/424 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=294/339 trajectories. **β 3-WT + Mn²⁺:** 4 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=5229/5037 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=966/330 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=932/416 trajectories. **β 3-D119Y:** 6 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=3274/2610 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=1399/3638 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=2274/10589 trajectories. **β 3-Y747A:** 6 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=1324/2695 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=699/3086 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=1251/8839 trajectories. **TM:** 5 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=618/2091 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=618/2091 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=1610/6012 trajectories. **CAAX** 6 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=658/1992 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=561/1159 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=1160/2478 trajectories. **β 1-WT:** 9 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=7162/5892 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=952/2082 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside

FAs n=922/4739 trajectories. **β 1-D130Y**: 10 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=5275/4053 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=736/1104 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=684/1741 trajectories. **β 1-Y783A**: 7 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=631/1762 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=291/1412 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=457/3112 trajectories. **β 1ext β 3int**: 6 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=2802/3145 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=496/886 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=278/1232 trajectories. **β 3ext β 1int**: 8 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=4074/2689 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=931/816 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=878/1368 trajectories.

Table S2: sptPALM, MEFs co-transfected with GFP-VASP

	β3-WT-mEOS2		β3-N305T-mEOS2		β3-WT-mEOS2+Mn²⁺	
trajectories, cells	15798, 10		3510, 4		13591, 5	
	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)
immobile FA	76 \pm 4	<8	91 \pm 1	<8	80 \pm 2	<8
confined FA	12 \pm 2	38 \pm 2	6 \pm 1	28 \pm 3	13 \pm 2	26 \pm 1
free-diffusive FA	12 \pm 2	74 \pm 2	3 \pm 1	70 \pm 1	7 \pm 2	40 \pm 2
Immoble OUT	53 \pm 4	<8	84 \pm 4	<8	83 \pm 5	<8
confined OUT	14 \pm 1	189 \pm 5	9 \pm 2	42 \pm 5	10 \pm 4	45 \pm 4
free-diffusive OUT	33 \pm 3	279 \pm 4	7 \pm 3	129 \pm 9	7 \pm 1	117 \pm 6
r _{conf} FA (nm), 0.4s	118 \pm 2		103 \pm 4		104 \pm 1	
r _{conf} OUT (nm), 0.4s	236 \pm 4		121 \pm 5		119 \pm 3	
	β3-D119Y-mEOS2		β3-Y747A-mEOS2		TM-mEOS2	
trajectories, cells	20130, 8		17089, 5		11431, 11	
	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)
immobile FA	52 \pm 4	<8	38 \pm 3	<8	28 \pm 6	<8
confined FA	18 \pm 1	86 \pm 3	21 \pm 1	104 \pm 3	21 \pm 2	177 \pm 7
free-diffusive FA	30 \pm 3	138 \pm 3	41 \pm 3	149 \pm 3	51 \pm 5	229 \pm 5
Immoble OUT	37 \pm 5	<8	33 \pm 4	<8	32 \pm 6	<8
confined OUT	19 \pm 1	242 \pm 5	20 \pm 1	223 \pm 4	19 \pm 1	255 \pm 5
free-diffusive OUT	44 \pm 4	365 \pm 3	47 \pm 4	328 \pm 3	49 \pm 5	357 \pm 3
r _{conf} FA (nm), 0.4s	166 \pm 2		184 \pm 2		236 \pm 5	
r _{conf} OUT (nm), 0.4s	267 \pm 3		259 \pm 3		281 \pm 3	
	CAAX-mEOS2		β1-WT-mEOS2			
trajectories, cells	9145, 8		35235, 16			
	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)	%	Dx10 ³ (μ m ² /s)		
immobile FA	29 \pm 4	<8	73 \pm 1	<8		
confined FA	27 \pm 1	320 \pm 15	12 \pm 1	56 \pm 2		
free-diffusive FA	44 \pm 3	452 \pm 11	15 \pm 1	108 \pm 3		
Immoble OUT	39 \pm 2	<8	43 \pm 5	<8		
confined OUT	21 \pm 1	319 \pm 10	16 \pm 1	187 \pm 3		
free-diffusive OUT	40 \pm 2	574 \pm 9	41 \pm 4	272 \pm 2		
r _{conf} FA (nm), 0.4s	294 \pm 7		133 \pm 2			
r _{conf} OUT (nm), 0.4s	289 \pm 5		238 \pm 2			

Values correspond to mean \pm SEM

β 3-WT: 10 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=5602/3981 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=1119/1128 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=1152/2816

trajectories. **β3-N305T**: 4 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=1333/1731 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=95/175 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=47/129 trajectories. **β3-WT + Mn²⁺**: 5 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=4862/6487 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=721/471 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=568/482 trajectories. **β3-D119Y**: 8 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=3403/4040 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=1412/2495 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=2482/6301 trajectories. **β3-Y747A**: 5 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=2079/3519 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=1273/2302 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=2343/5573 trajectories. **TM**: 11 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=422/2530 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=445/1903 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=1074/5057 trajectories. **CAAX**: 8 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=822/2714 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=532/1509 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=963/2605 trajectories. **β1-WT**: 16 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=8122/9793 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=1334/3981 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=1566/10439 trajectories.

Table S3: sptPALM, $\beta 3$ -integrin^{-/-} MEFs co-transfected with GFP-paxillin

	$\beta 3$ -WT-mEOS2		$\beta 3$ -N305T-mEOS2		$\beta 3$ -D119Y-mEOS2	
trajectories, cells	24861, 6		11083, 5		17160, 6	
	%	Dx10 ³ ($\mu\text{m}^2/\text{s}$)	%	Dx10 ³ ($\mu\text{m}^2/\text{s}$)	%	Dx10 ³ ($\mu\text{m}^2/\text{s}$)
immobile FA	73 \pm 2	<8	84 \pm 3	<8	52 \pm 3	<8
confined FA	13 \pm 1	38 \pm 1	11 \pm 3	23 \pm 1	19 \pm 2	57 \pm 2
free-diffusive FA	14 \pm 1	72 \pm 2	5 \pm 1	37 \pm 4	29 \pm 3	90 \pm 2
Immobile OUT	48 \pm 7	<8	86 \pm 2	<8	38 \pm 4	<8
confined OUT	16 \pm 1	174 \pm 4	10 \pm 2	29 \pm 2	20 \pm 1	139 \pm 3
free-diffusive OUT	36 \pm 6	274 \pm 3	4 \pm 1	78 \pm 5	42 \pm 4	215 \pm 2
r _{conf} FA (nm), 0.4s	118 \pm 1		101 \pm 2		140 \pm 2	
r _{conf} OUT (nm), 0.4s	226 \pm 3		104 \pm 2		210 \pm 2	
	$\beta 3$-Y747A-mEOS2					
trajectories, cells	22260, 5					
	%	Dx10 ³ ($\mu\text{m}^2/\text{s}$)				
immobile FA	38 \pm 4	<8				
confined FA	23 \pm 1	80 \pm 3				
free-diffusive FA	39 \pm 3	113 \pm 3				
Immobile OUT	24 \pm 4	<8				
confined OUT	22 \pm 1	163 \pm 2				
free-diffusive OUT	54 \pm 4	240 \pm 2				
r _{conf} FA (nm), 0.4s	154 \pm 2					
r _{conf} OUT (nm), 0.4s	286 \pm 2					

Values correspond to mean \pm SEM

$\beta 3$ -WT: 6 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=9757/5171 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=1866/1814 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=1918/4335 trajectories.

$\beta 3$ -N305T: 5 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=2807/6571 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=396/788 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=163/358 trajectories.

$\beta 3$ -D119Y: 6 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=3547/3893 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=1302/2158 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=1833/4427 trajectories.

$\beta 3$ -Y747A: 5 cells; immobile inside/outside FAs n=1975/4293 trajectories; confined inside/outside FAs n=1080/3750 trajectories; free-diffusive inside/outside FAs n=1799/9363 trajectories.

Supplementary Movie Legends

Movie S1. 6His- β 3-WT switches between free-diffusion and immobilization states when entering a FA

This movie shows the time course of the SMT experiment depicted in Fig. 3d and Supplementary Fig. S5a. It covers a period of about 23 seconds, during which a single ATTO647N (red) labeling one 6His- β 3-WT is tracked and displayed transitions from fast free-diffusion outside FA (1), to slow free-diffusion (2) and immobilization (3) when entering a FA (in green). Scale bar = 1.5 μ m. Speed, 8X. (Avi; 886 KB)

Figure S1-Giannone

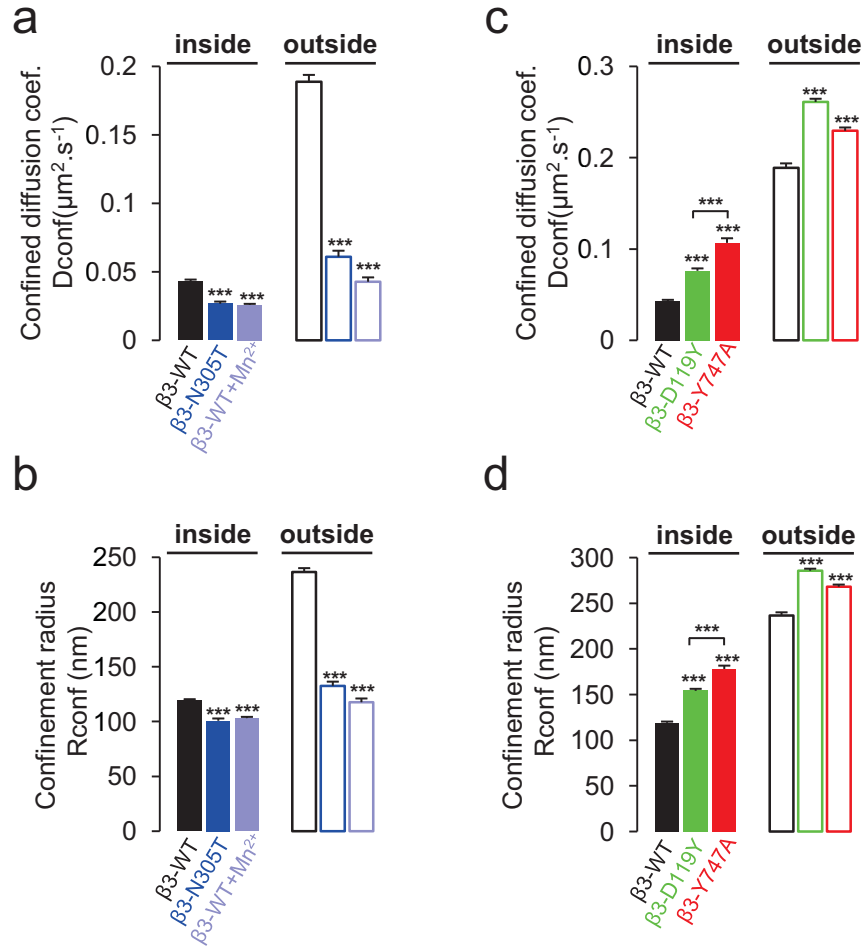


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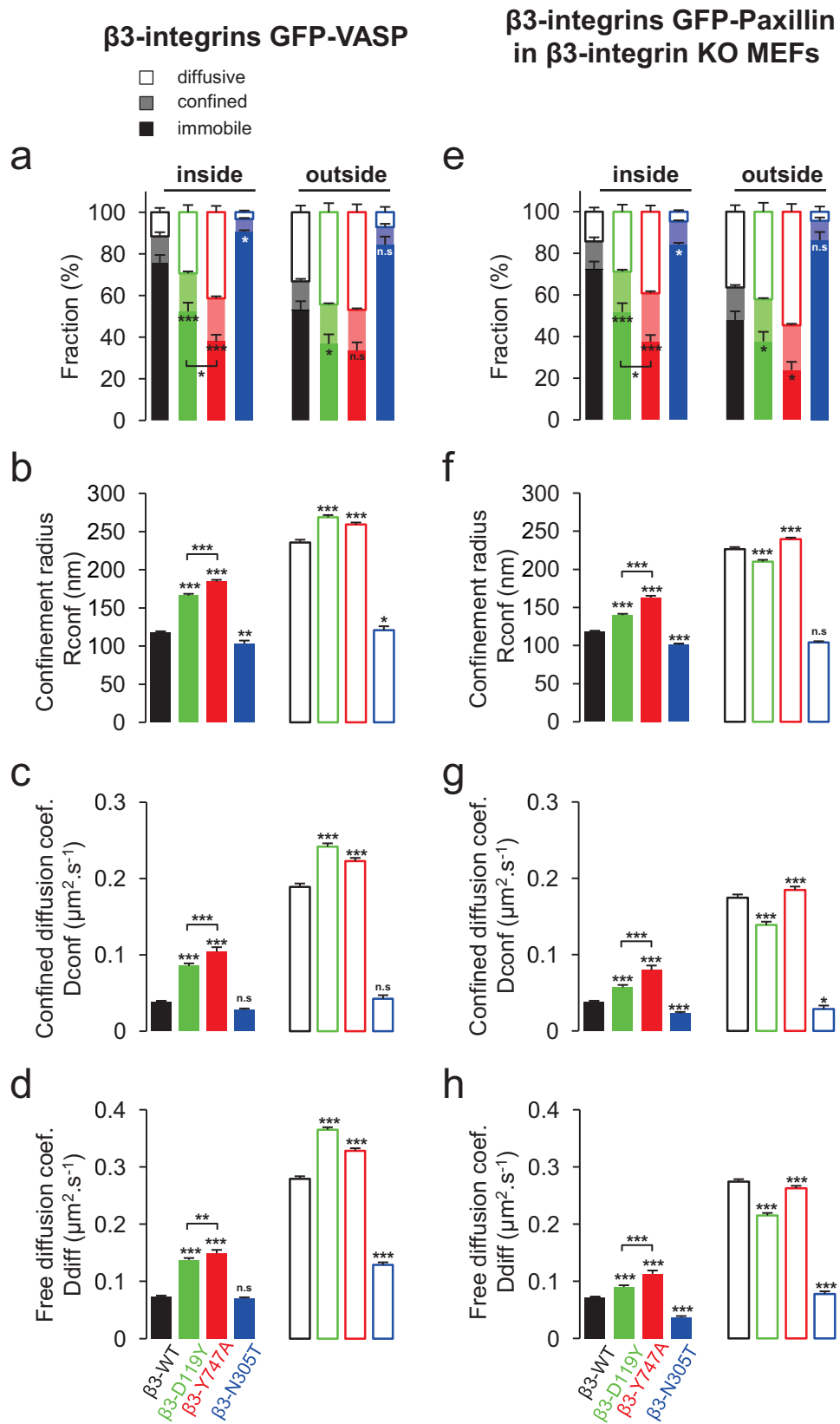
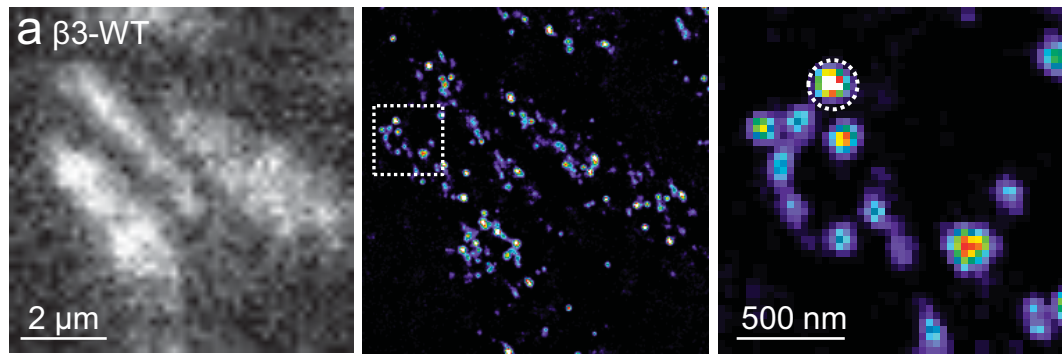


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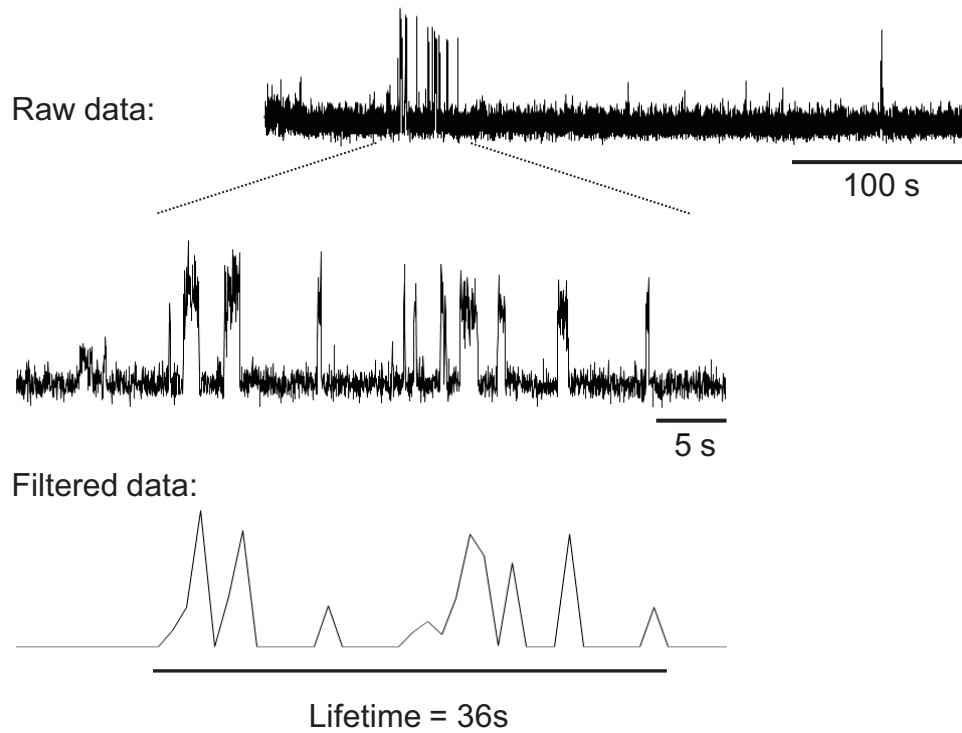


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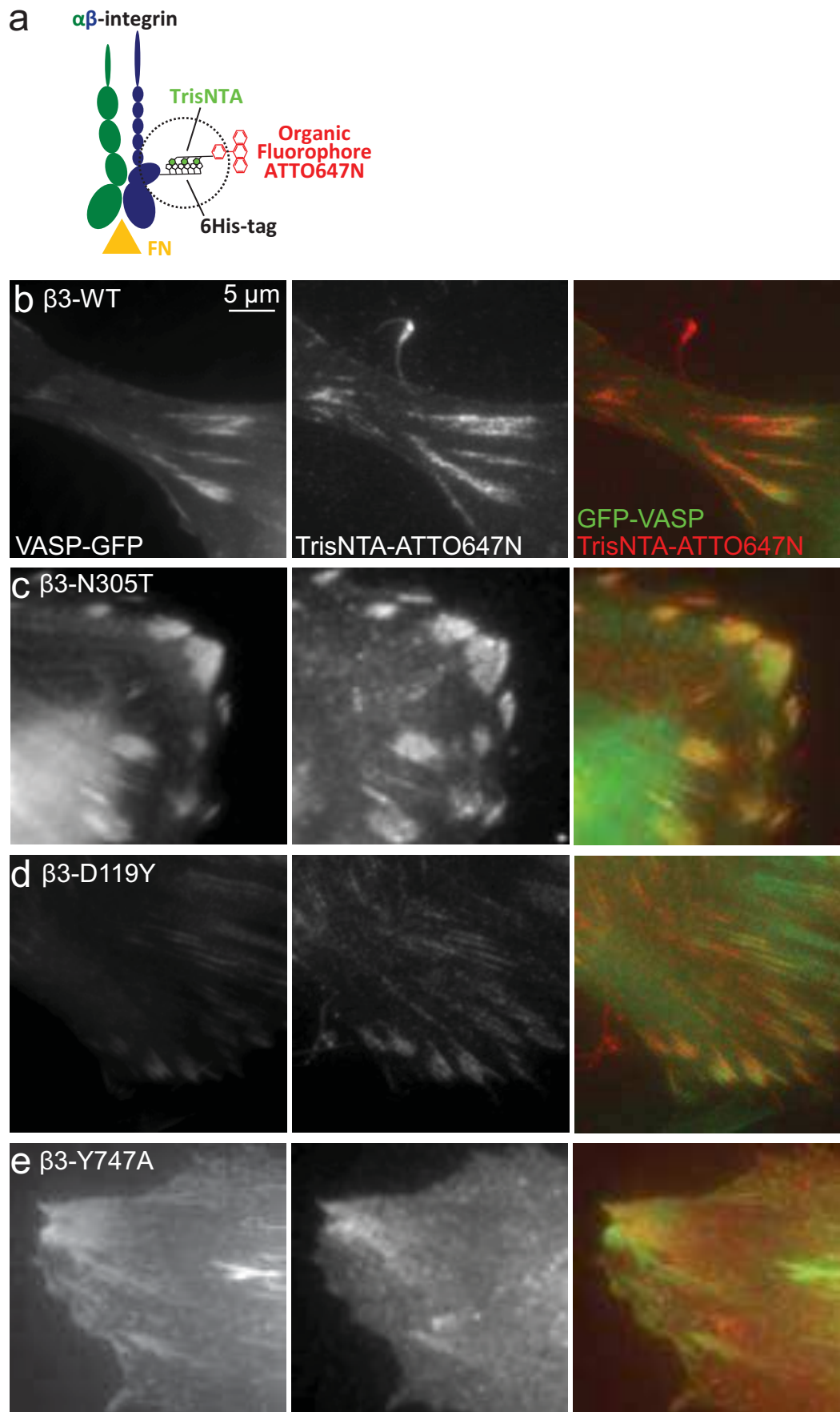


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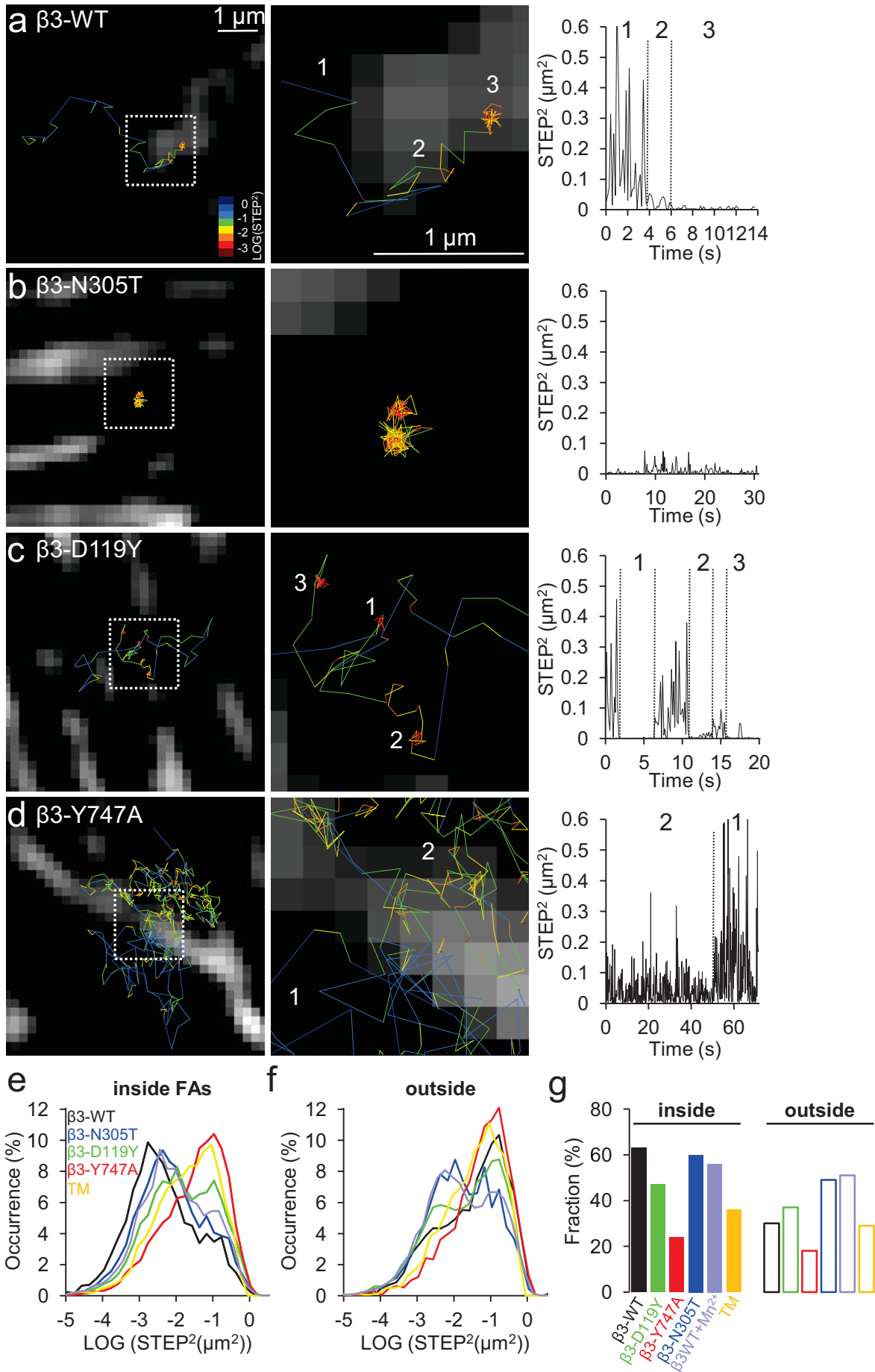


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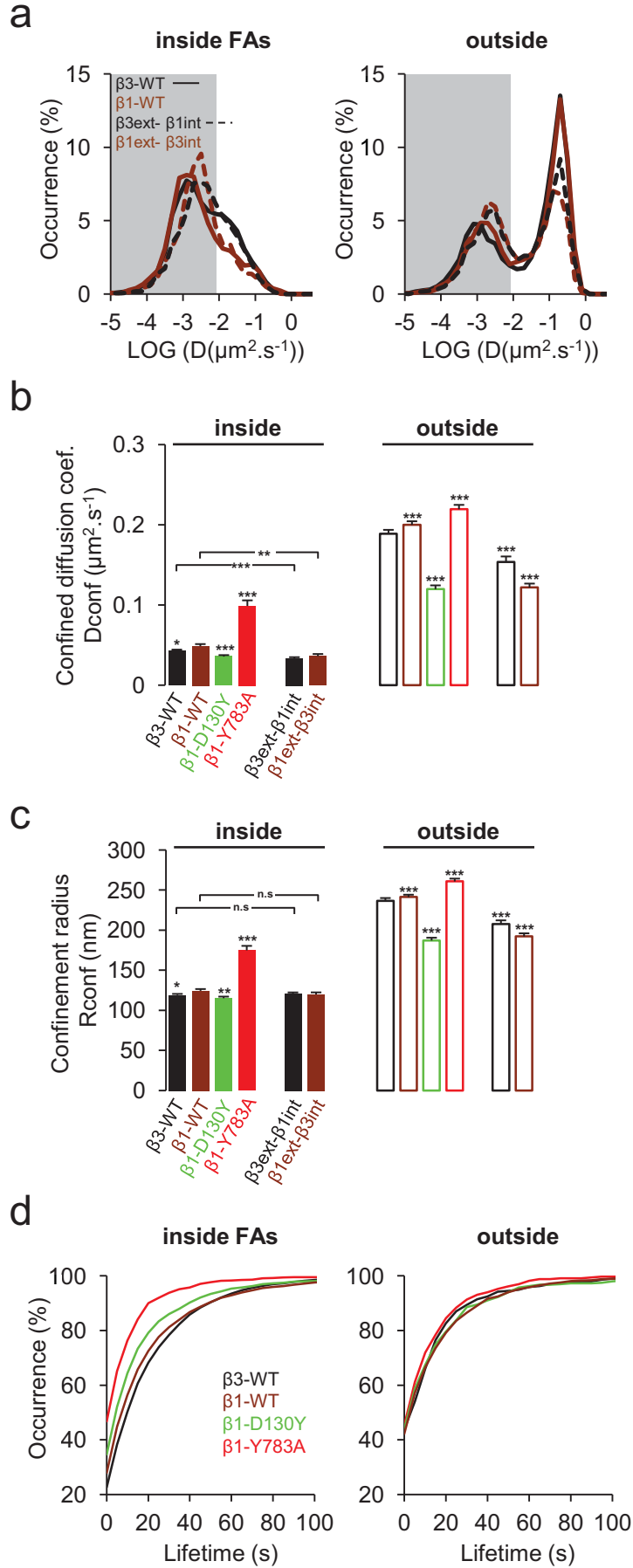


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