

# Potential Collaborations on Modeling Neurotransmission

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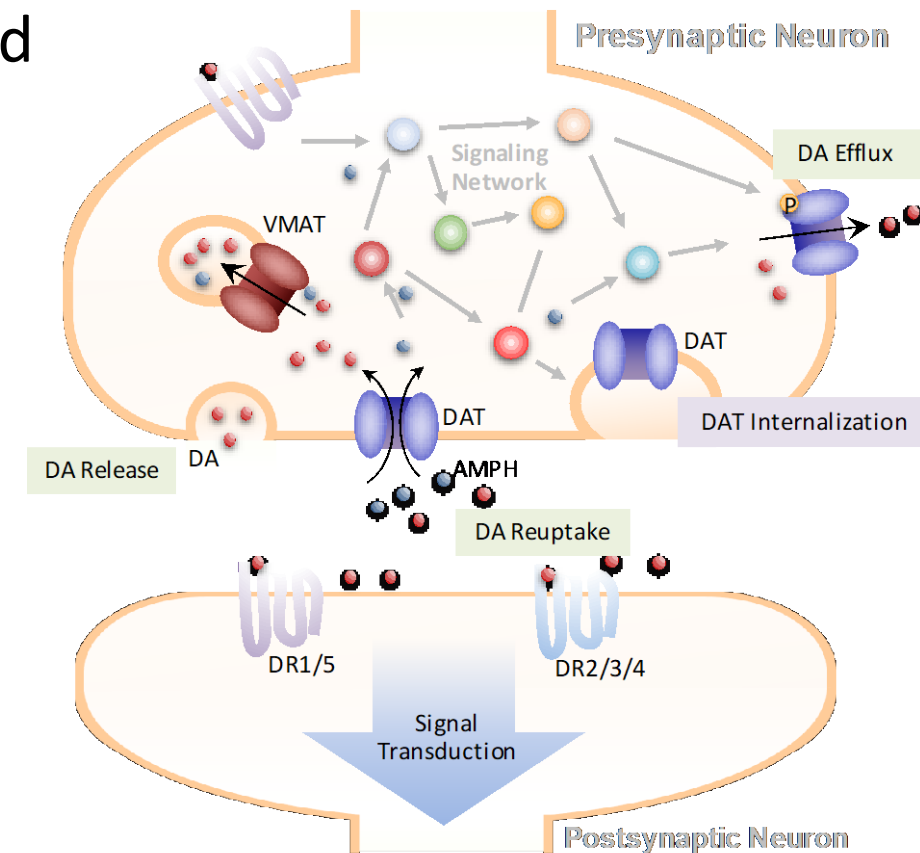
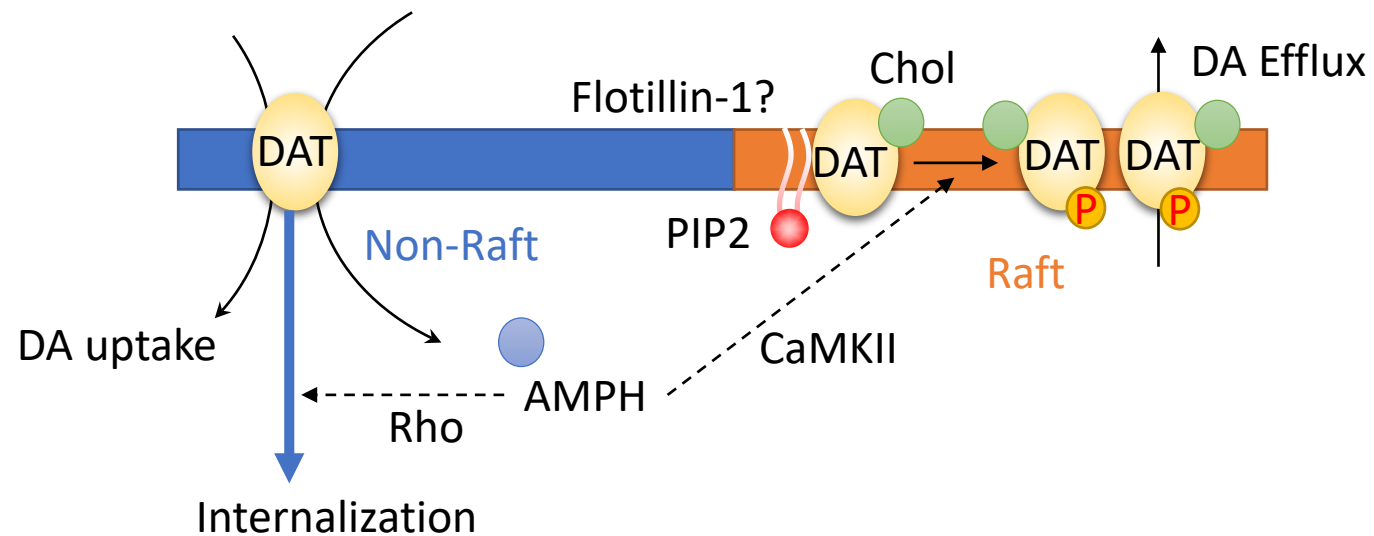
TR&D1 TR&D3

# Lipid Rafts (Nanodomains)



# What is the role of lipid rafts in DA uptake?

- Hypothesis: Raft DATs can be phosphorylated and induce DA efflux, while non-raft DATs tend to undergo internalization.

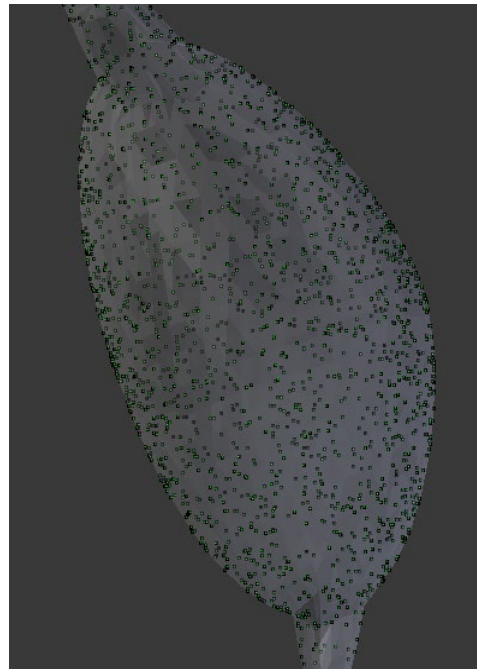


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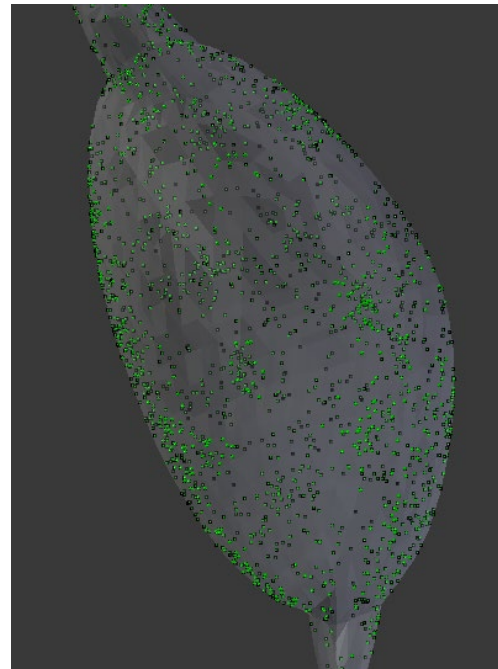
- MCell Simulation of DAT clustering in varicosity and extension



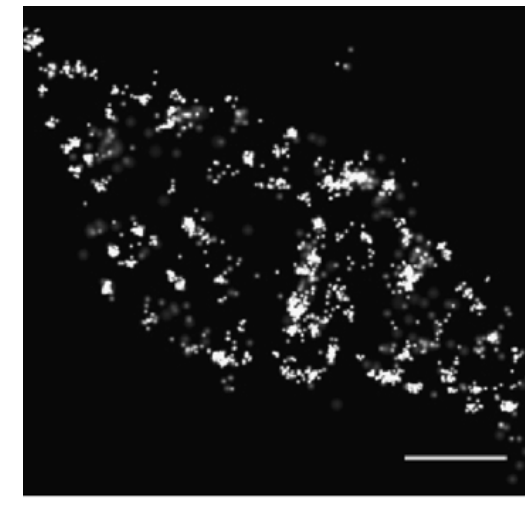
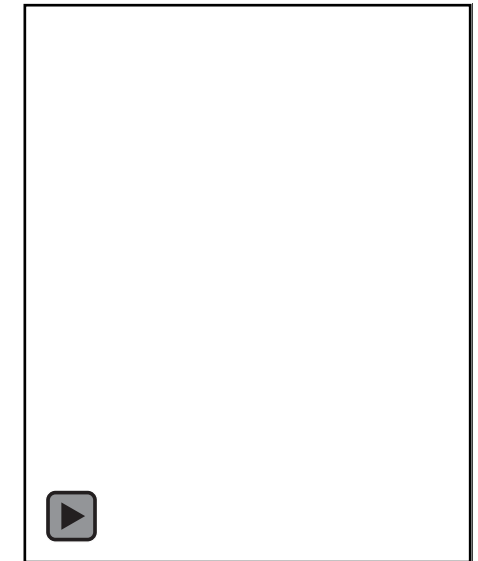
varicosity



t = 0



t = 500



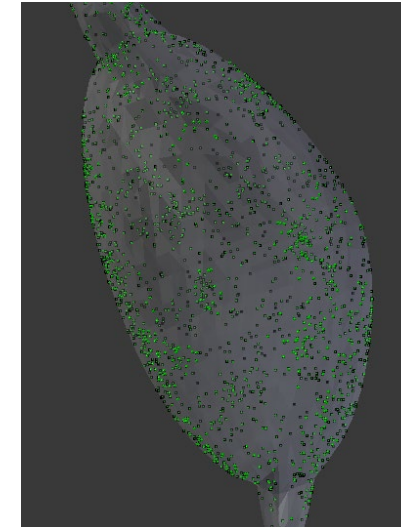
[Troels Rahbek-Clemmensen](#),  
[...](#), [Freja H. Hansen](#) & [Ulrik Gether](#)  
, et al. *Nat Comm.* 2017

With Quinn Butcher (CoBRA Academy Student)

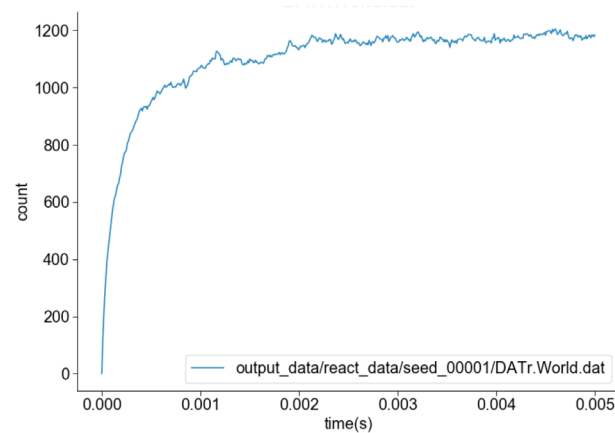
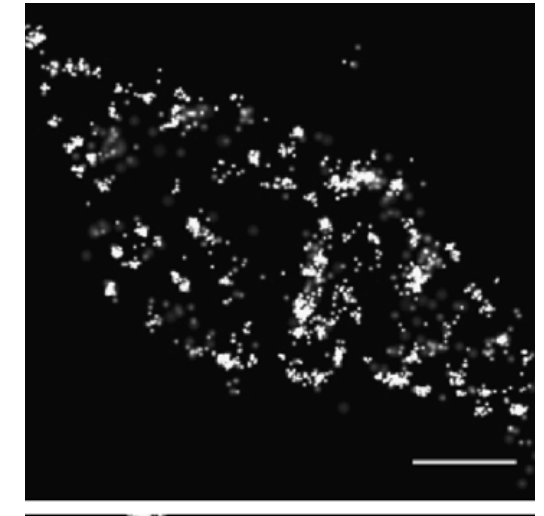
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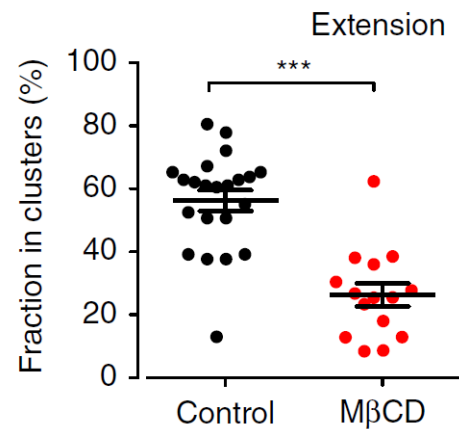


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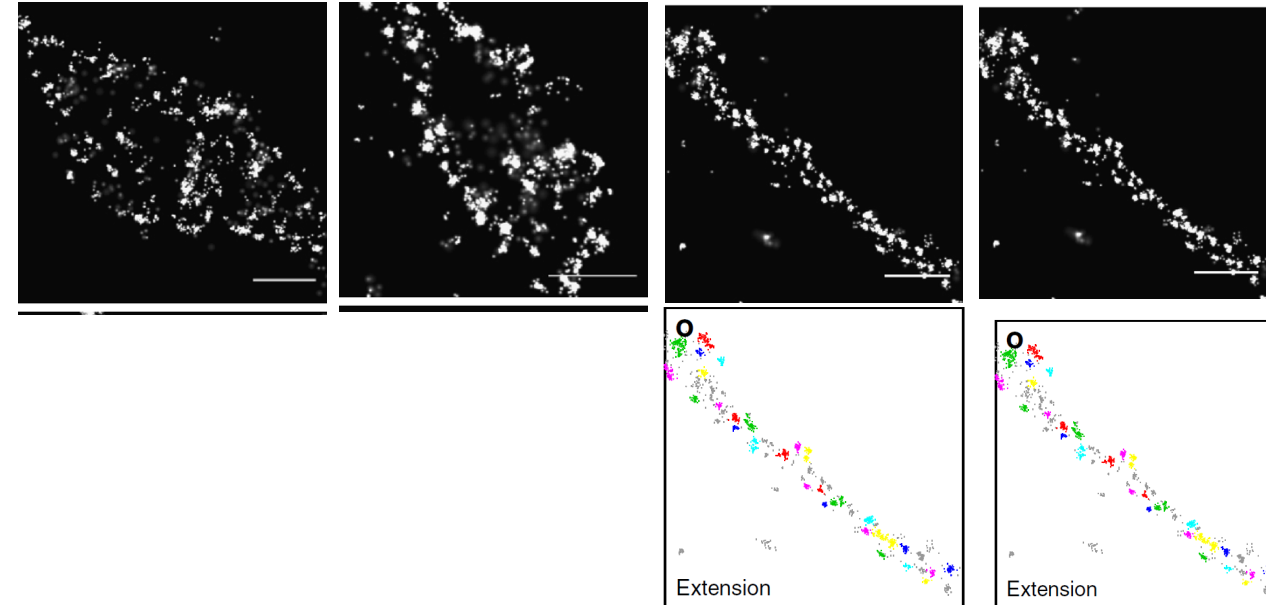


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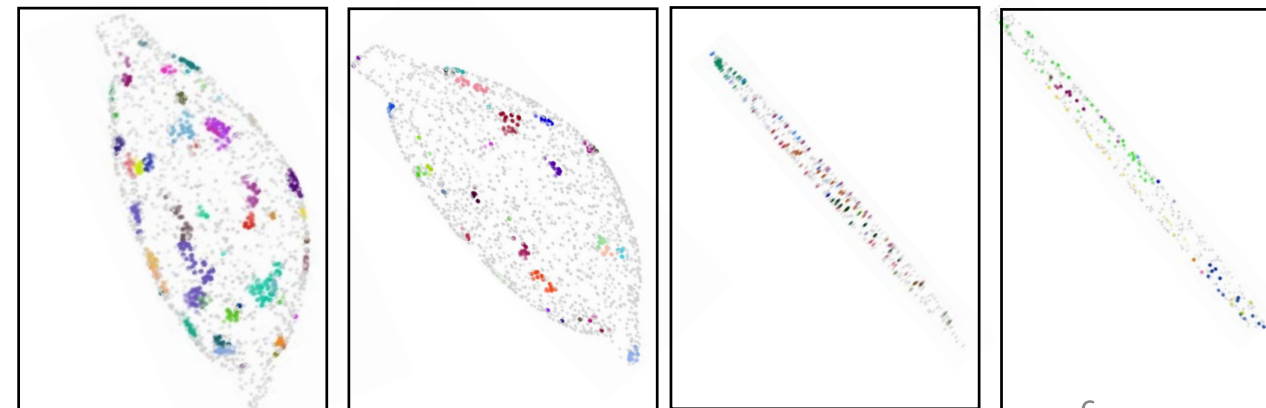
- Model simulation vs. Experimental data
  - Varicosity (WT):  $1147/2000 = 57.4\%$
  - Varicosity (Chol KD):  $574/2000 = 28.7\%$
  - Extensions (WT):  $316/500 = 63.2\%$
  - Extensions (WT):  $209/500 = 41.8\%$



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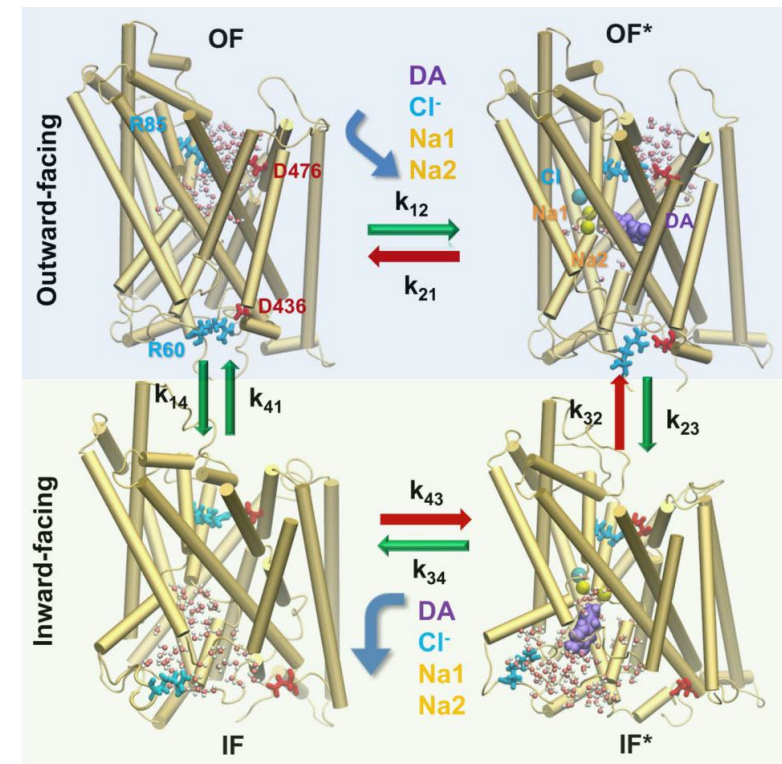
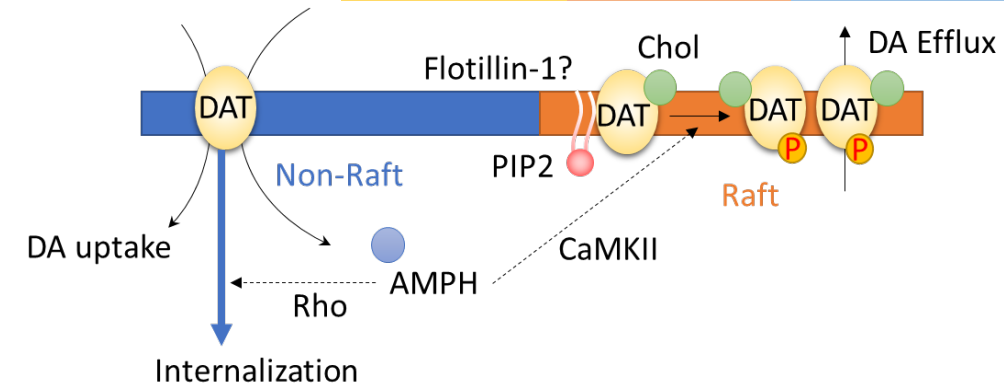
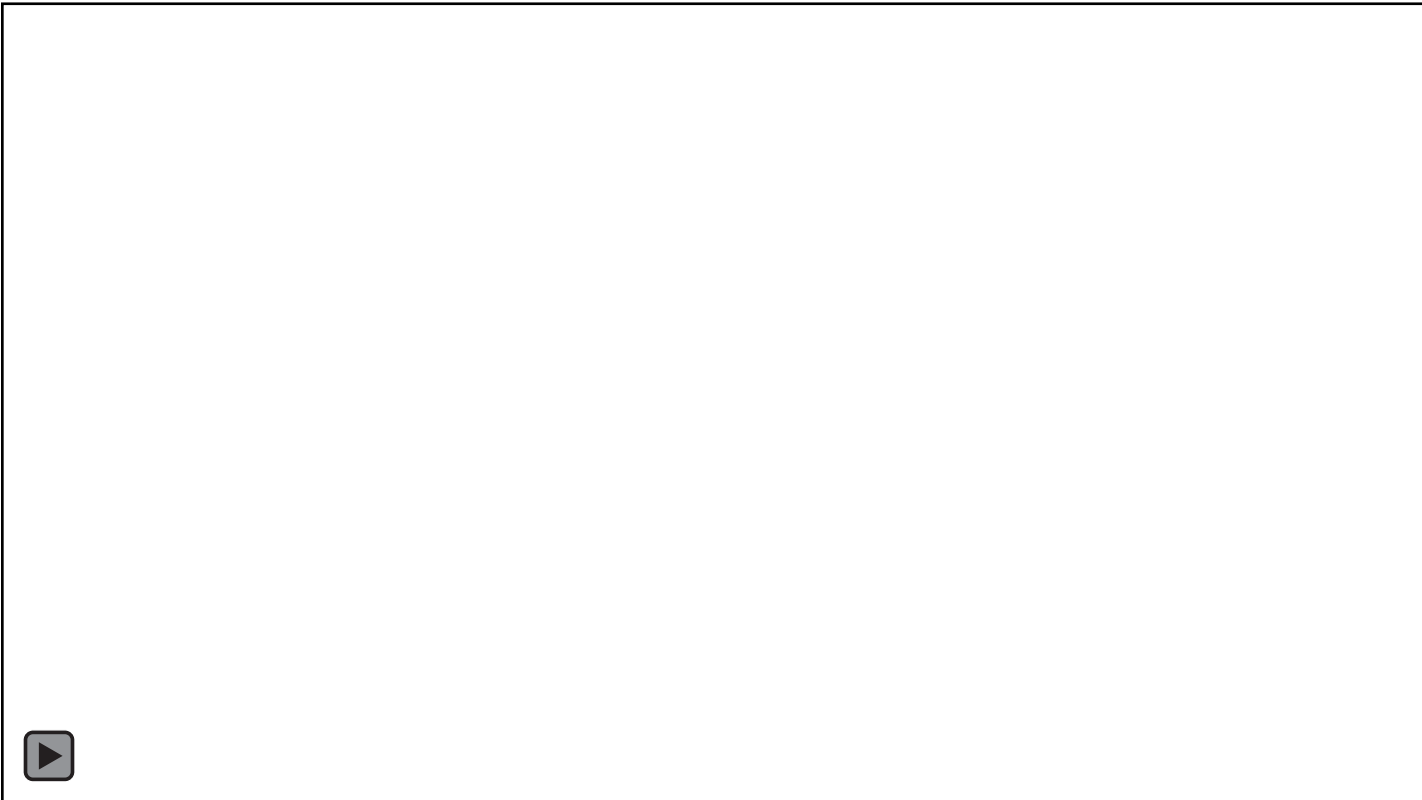


Model



# One Step Further

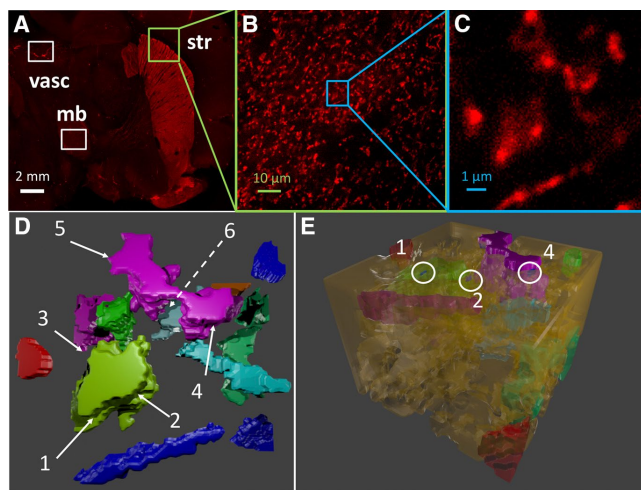
- Including DA, and the four states of DAT



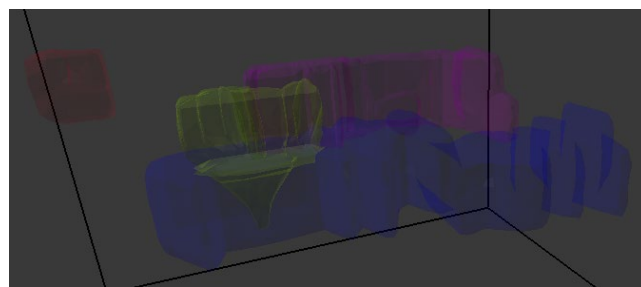
Kaya et al, *eNeuron* 2017

# What's Next

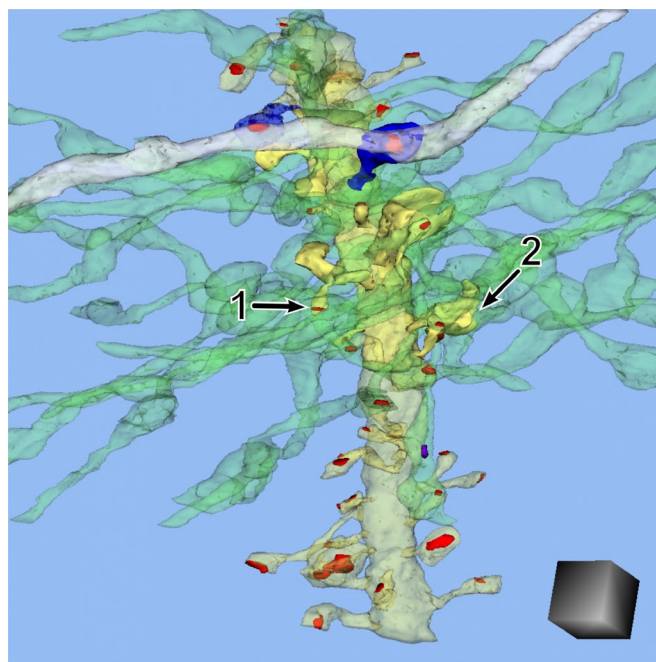
- Realistic geometry + more reactions
- What are the effects cocaine and amphetamine in the presence of different lipid raft sizes/distributions



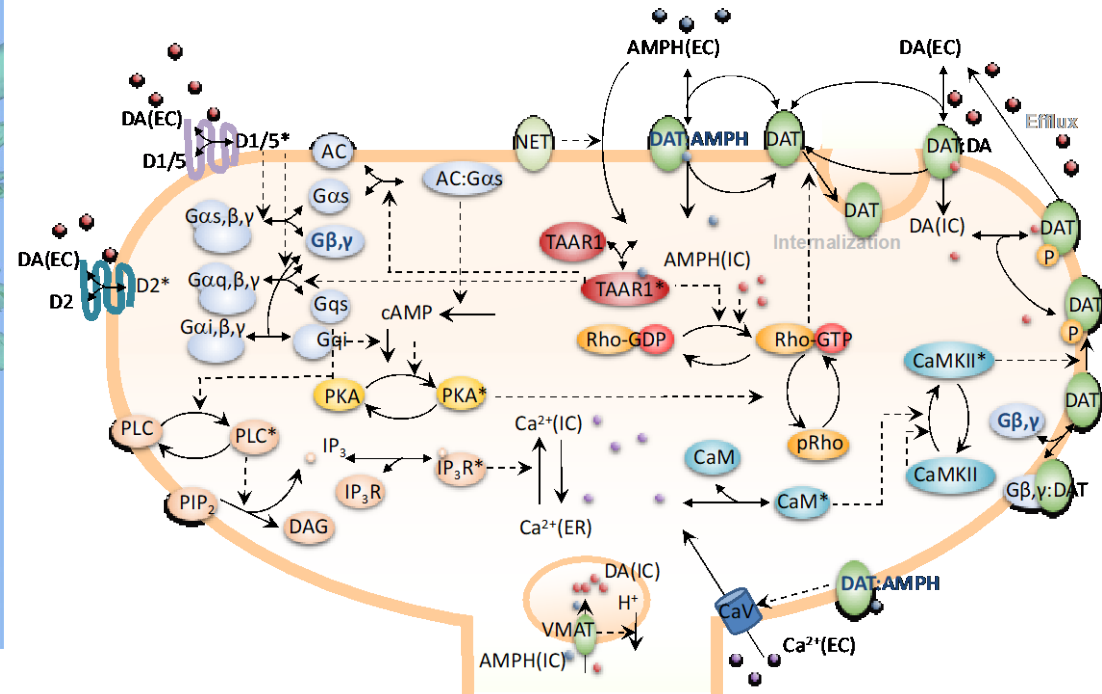
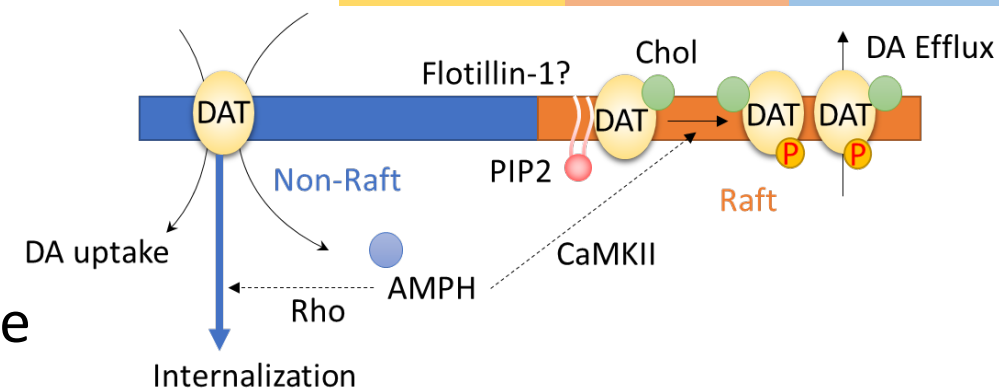
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A simplified geometry



Bromer et al, *PNAS* 2018

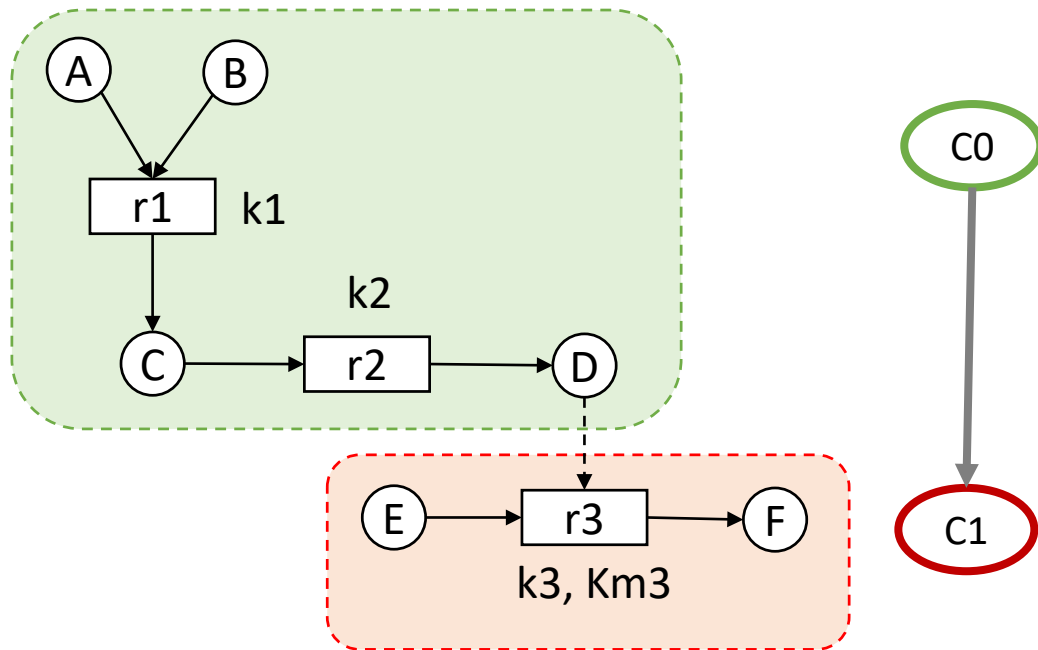


Systems-level modeling of amphetamine induced DA dynamics -- **TR&D1** and **DBP1** (Amara)



# Modular Design in the Biological Network

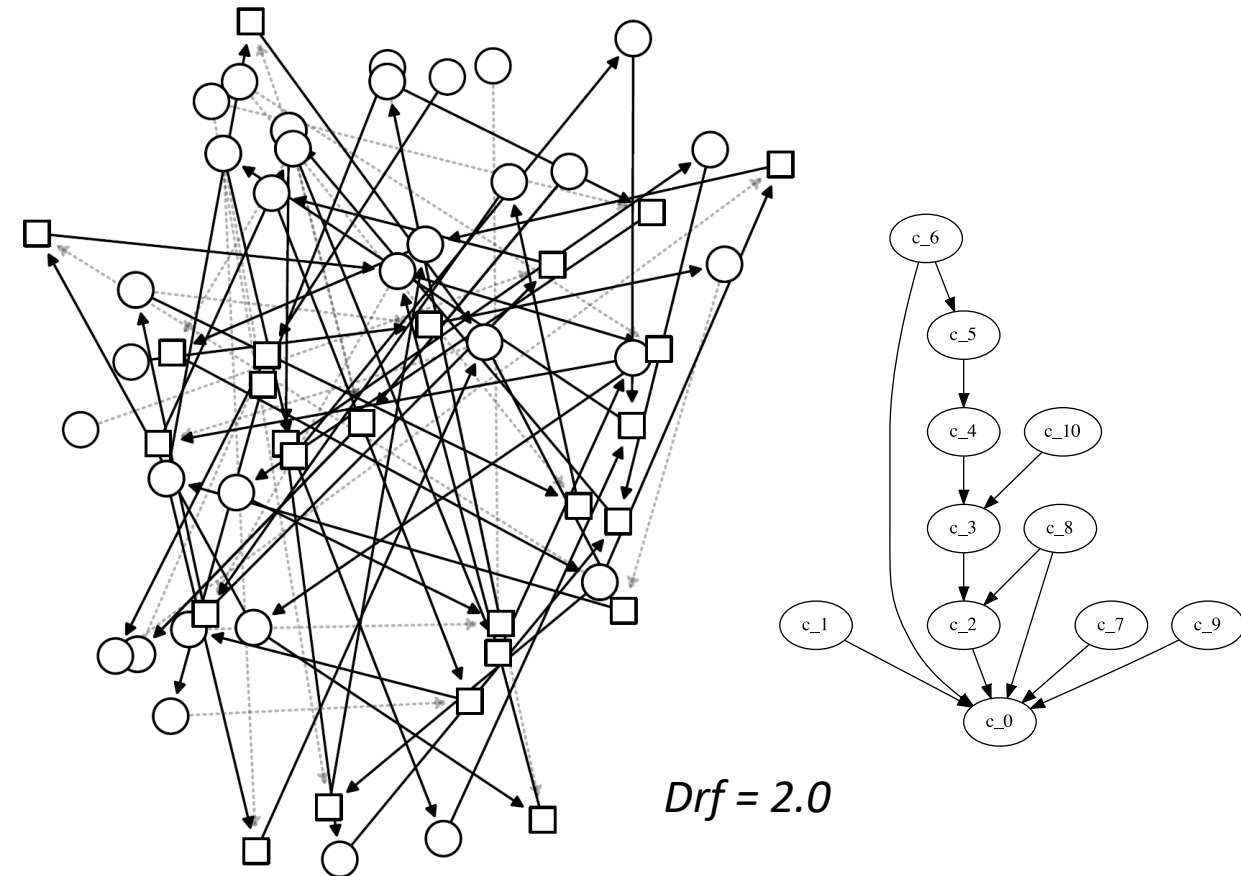
A toy example:



Dimension reduction factor:

$$drf = \text{total parameter} / \# \text{ parameters in biggest component} \\ = 4 / 2 = 2.0$$

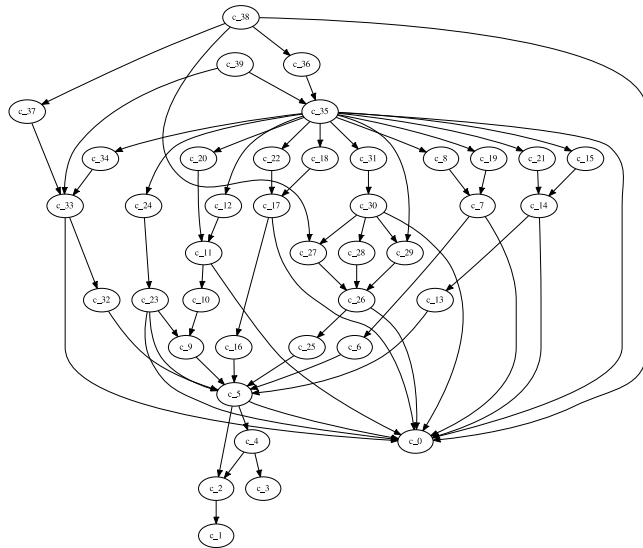
EGF-NGF pathway (BioModels ID: 033)



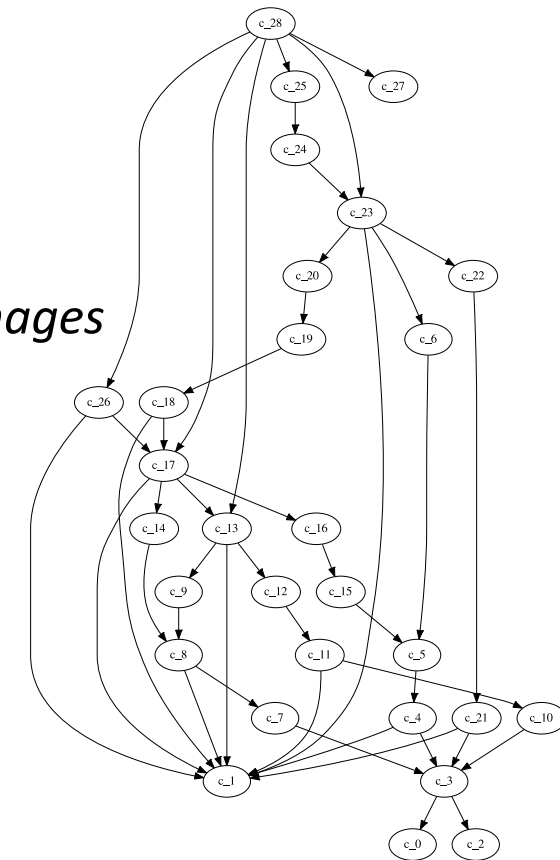
$Drf = 2.0$

# Decomposition based Dimension Reduction

- Scan all (640) models in BioModels database:
  - 149 models with drf  $\geq 2.0$
- May accelerate MCell simulations **TR&D2**
- May help **TR&D3** and **TR&D4** with **DBP8** (Sorger)
  - *Scalable approaches to modeling using large set of rules and images*



BioModels ID: 503 (Messiha2013)  
glycolysis and pentose phosphate pathway model



BioModels ID: 559 (Ouzounoglou2014)  
alpha-synuclein effects on neuronal homeostasis