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International Webinar on
**IN-SITU OBSERVATION OF MEMBRANE PROTEINS USING
ELECTRON SPIN RESONANCE
SPECTROSCOPY**

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RESOURCE PERSON PROFILE



Employment and Research Experience

- **2019:** Emmy Noether Research Group Leader, Institute of Biophysics, Department of Physics, Goethe University, Frankfurt.
- **2016 - 2018:** Project Leader in SFB807, Institute of Physical and Theoretical Chemistry, Goethe University, Frankfurt.
- **2014 - 2016:** Postdoctoral Fellow at Institute of Physical and Theoretical Chemistry, Goethe University, Frankfurt & Visiting Researcher at Department of Chemistry, University of Virginia, USA

Education

- **2014:** Dr.Sc. in Biophysics and EPR spectroscopy, Institute of Physical and Theoretical Chemistry, ETH Zürich, Switzerland
- **2008:** M. Eng. in Advanced Science, Graduate School of Engineering, Osaka University, Japan

Research Grants

- **2020:** Pulsed Q-Band ESR Spectrometer (Großgeräteantrag)
- **2019:** Emmy Noether Research Group Leader (DFG)
- **2016 - 2020:** Project Leader in SFB807 (DFG)
- **2014 - 2016:** Independent Investigator (European Union)

- **2018:** Member of the Johanna Quandt Young Academy at Goethe (JQYA)
- **2018:** Young Investigator Award of the German Biophysical Society, Germany
- **2018:** Honor of 'Outstanding Personalities in Science with a Migration Background' from the City of Frankfurt, Germany
- **2017:** Adolf-Messer Prize, Germany
- **2013:** Marie-Curie Postdoctoral Fellowship, Germany
- **2008:** Monbukagakusho Ph.D. Fellowship, Govt. of Japan (declined)
- **2004:** UNESCO-JAPAN Fellowship, Japan

Research Interests

- Electron spin resonance spectroscopy
- Membrane transport mechanisms
- Membrane biogenesis
- *In-situ* / cellular structural biology

WEBINAR REPORT

OBJECTIVE

To understand the structure and conformational changes of outer membrane protein complexes in the native membrane and intact E. coli, with the help of an in-situ pulsed ESR spectroscopy technique

WEBINAR SUMMARY

Membrane proteins frequently traverse a vast energy landscape and endure significant conformational changes while performing their functions. A structural biologist's dream is to examine them in their natural habitat, the cell. However, it

has not yet been possible to recreate a membrane protein structure *in situ* with adequate precision.

Membrane transport mechanisms

The transport of various substances through the cellular membrane is critical to the operation of cells and organelles. The chemical potential energy could drive transport when molecules move along a concentration gradient. Membrane transporters, on the other hand, frequently transport substrates against a concentration gradient. They connect an external energy source with substrate translocation to overcome such an energy barrier. The energy may come from ATP, an electrochemical gradient, or light, depending on the transporter. Gram-negative bacteria are becoming more resistant to antibiotics, resulting in increased sickness, healthcare expenses, and mortality. Their cell envelope is made up of two membranes: an inner membrane (IM) that surrounds the cytoplasm and an outer membrane (OM) that shields the cells from the environment. Phospholipids (PL) and lipopolysaccharides (LPS) make up the OM, which is an asymmetric bilayer (LPS). In addition, the OM contains a large number of β -barrel proteins (outer membrane proteins, OMPs). Both LPS and OMPs are produced in the cytoplasm and then transferred to the OM via the periplasm.

The LPS transport system in *E. coli* is made up of seven key proteins called that traverse the entire cell membrane. Similarly, the Bam subunits of the β -Barrel Assembly Machinery (BAM) mediate the folding and insertion of OMP precursors from the periplasm into the OM.

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The BAM complex - β -barrel folding and insertion mechanism

The core β -barrel BamA appears in either an inward-open or lateral-open conformation in the two known structures for the BAM full-complex. Those conformational changes are thought to be linked to OMP folding and insertion via an unknown mechanism. Because the BAM complex includes the asymmetric outer membrane, mechanistic studies must be conducted in entire cells or natural membranes. We're investigating how BAM conformational changes are linked to protein folding and insertion using the in-situ ESR technique that we've demonstrated throughout the years.

The Lpt System - lipopolysaccharide (LPS) transport mechanism

The *trans*-periplasmic bridge, which consists of LptC, LptA, and the N-terminal domain of LptD, transfers LPS molecules from the inner membrane to the outer membrane in the Lpt system. It's thought that the ABC exporter LptB2FG, which is found in the inner membrane, extracts LPS molecules and

pushes them through the periplasm at the expense of ATP hydrolysis. Individual component structures have been determined. We're looking at how the subunits interact to produce the supramolecular trans-envelope complex, as well as how ATP hydrolysis at the inner membrane drives LPS transport through the periplasmic bridge and into the outer membrane.

LEARNING OUTCOME

Students will understand about

- ✚ In-situ Electron Spin Resonance (ESR) spectroscopy
- ✚ Membrane transport mechanisms
- ✚ Outer membrane Biogenesis.

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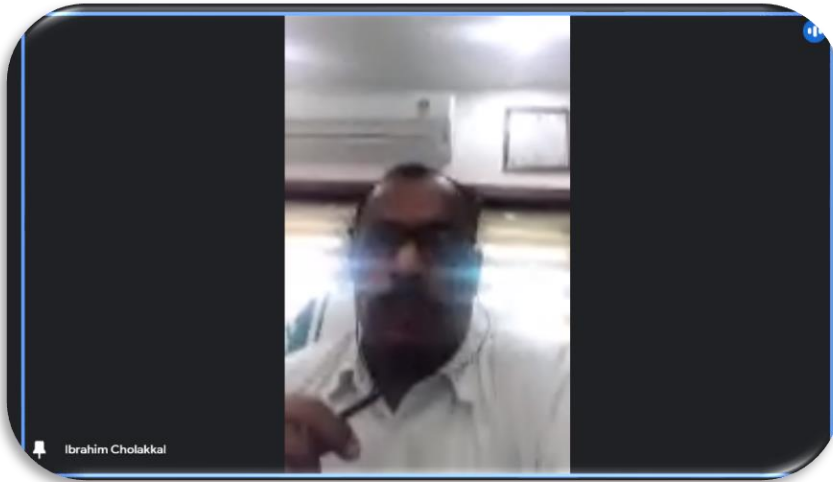
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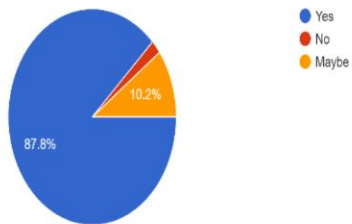


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FEEDBACK FROM STUDENTS

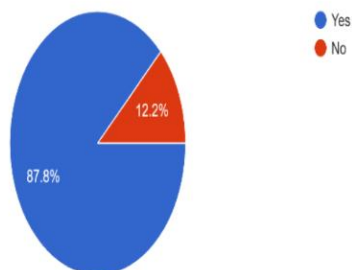
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49 responses



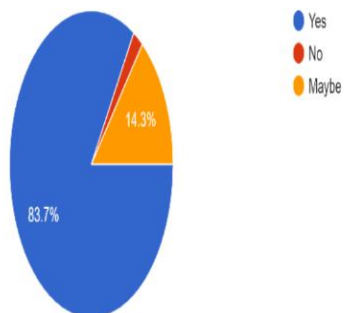
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49 responses



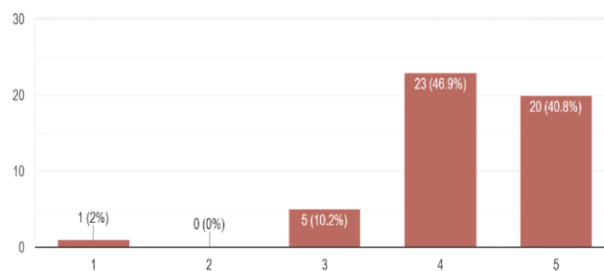
Would you like to attend more such webinars?

49 responses



Over all rating for Webinar?

49 responses



Any suggestion you would like to share?

33 responses

- No
- Nothing
- Good 👍
- It was a good session
- Excellent webinar
- GOOD
- It is better
- Conduct more interactive sections
- Good

Good
Conduct more interactive sections

33 responses

Any suggestion you would like to share?

33 responses

- It is good
- These kind of webinars are really helpful
- It was a well informative webinar
- Informative class
- Very nice
- Have some net work issues. But amazing class. Get more effective informations.
- It's and wonderful section and i enjoyed it. Thank you for conducting the webinar.
- Nothing
- very informative

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