

Three-dimensional superresolution colocalization of intracellular protein superstructures and the cell surface in live *C. crescentus*





Sequential two-color imaging with a single pumping laser

Step 1: SPRAI

Image single Crescentin-enhanced YFP (CreS-eYFP) fusions via photo-induced blinking until they irreversibly photobleach



Step 2: PAINT (Hochstrasser et al., 2006) Introduce solution containing a PAINT dye (e.g., Nile Red) that **binds transiently** to the cell surface, lighting up when localized near the membrane

Measure 3D location of single molecules using <u>double-helix (DH-PSF) microscope</u> to provide z position

Grid/scale bars = 1 µm, red/orange: CreS-eYFP SPRAI, gray: Nile red PAINT, $\sigma_x = \sigma_y = 19$ nm, $\sigma_z = 34$ nm

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