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# **Effects of two negative feedback loops on NF- $\kappa$ B signaling: noise-induced oscillation**

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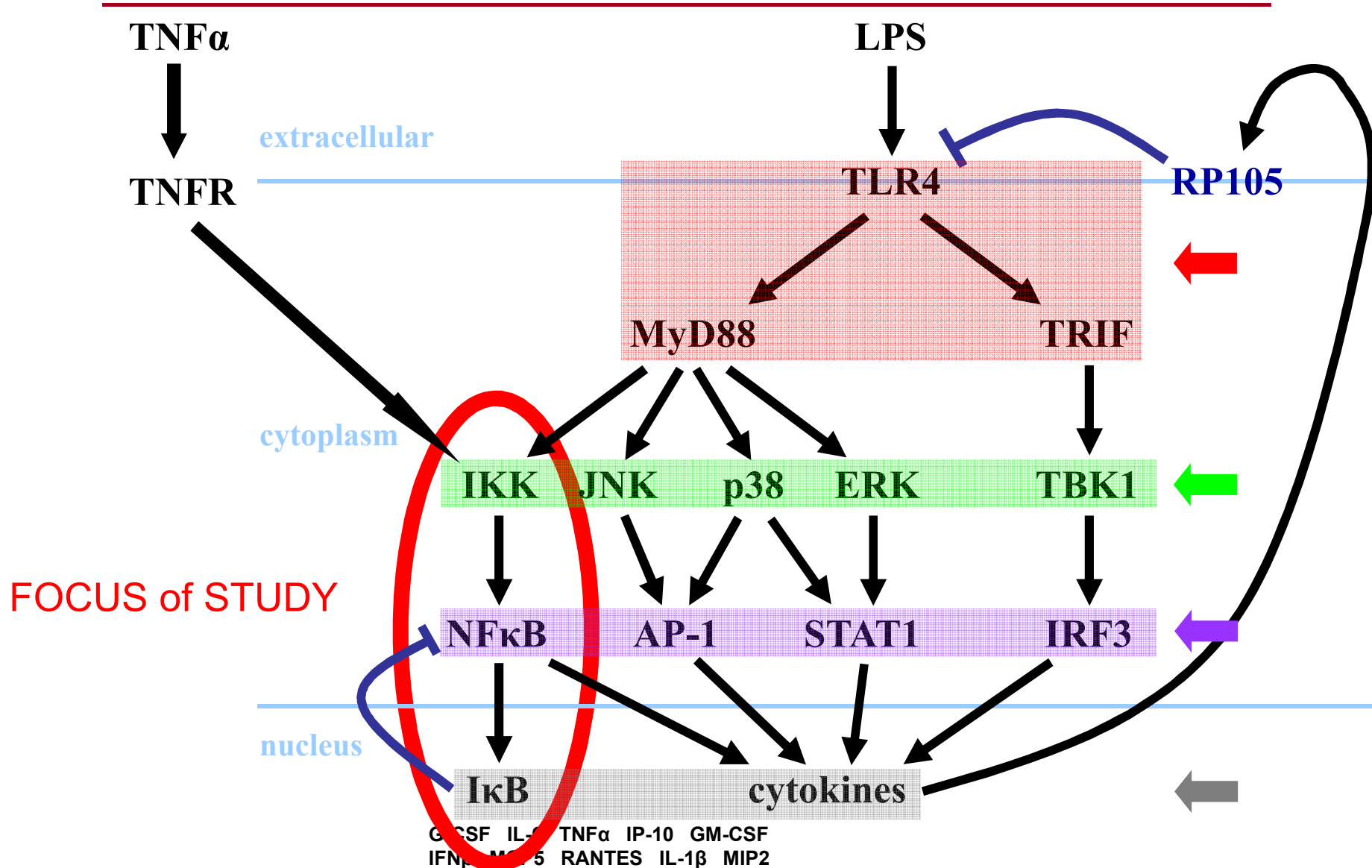
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# Outline

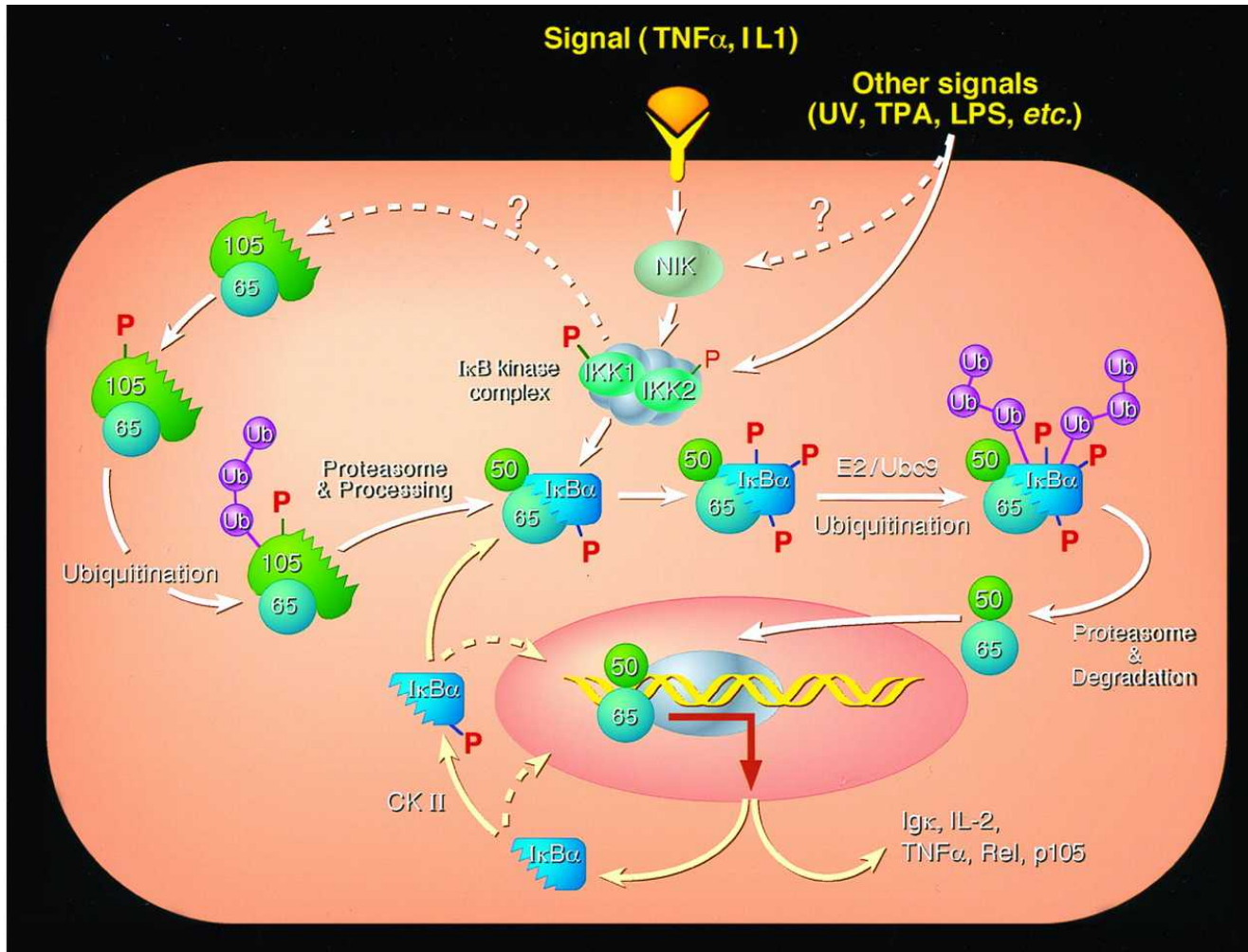
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1. Computational model of NF- $\kappa$ B signaling network
2. Sensitivity analysis
3. Predictions from deterministic model:
  - a) Statistical ensemble of NF- $\kappa$ B dynamic patterns
  - b) LPS dose-dependent NF- $\kappa$ B translocation time
  - c) LPS dose-NF- $\kappa$ B response curve
4. Role of noise on oscillatory behavior of NF- $\kappa$ B shuttling: noise-induced oscillation of NF- $\kappa$ B shuttling

# *TNFR & TLR4 signaling lead to NF- $\kappa$ B response*



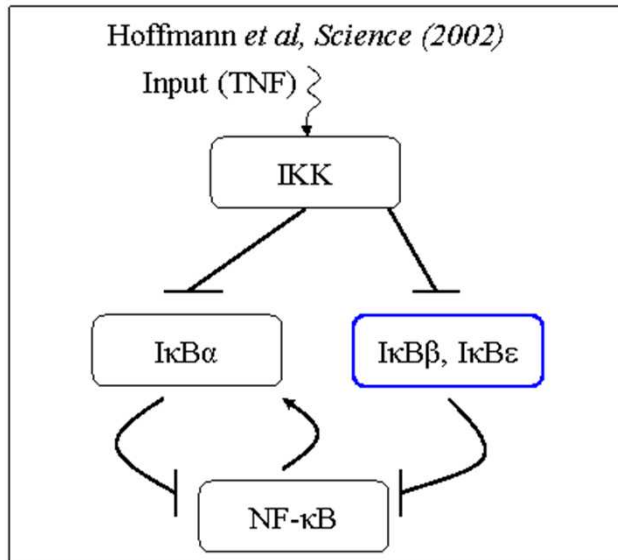
# Overview of NF- $\kappa$ B signal transduction network



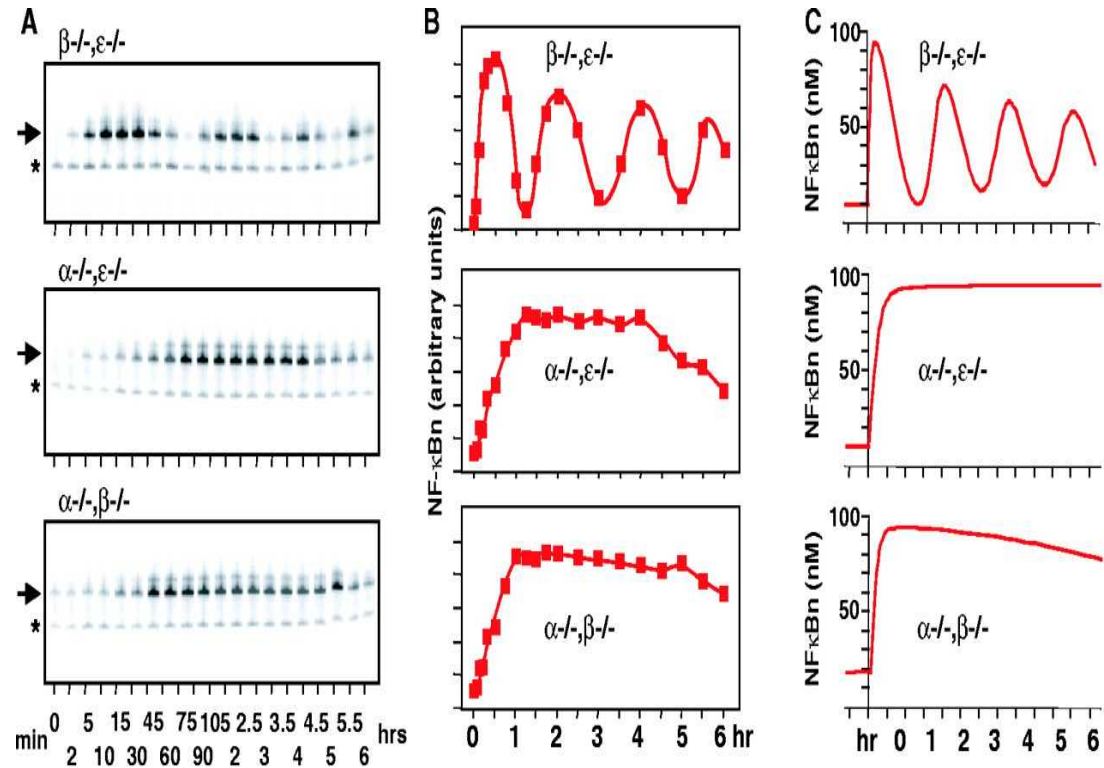
Key players:

- IKK
- p50/p65 (NF- $\kappa$ B)
- I $\kappa$ B $\alpha$
- I $\kappa$ B $\beta$
- I $\kappa$ B $\epsilon$
- A20

# Dynamic patterns of NF- $\kappa$ B: IkB $\alpha$ -driven oscillation of NF- $\kappa$ B



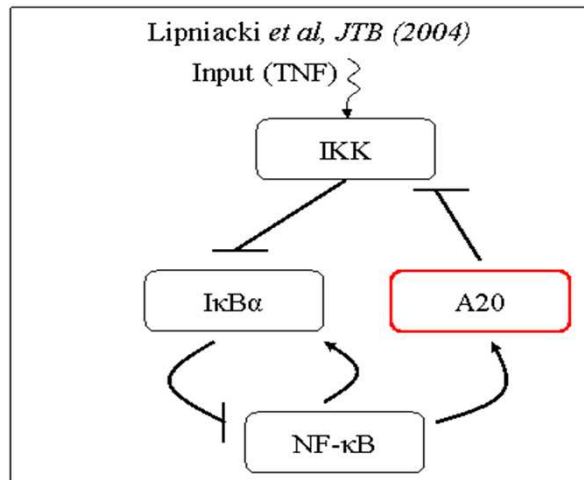
Hoffmann *et al*.  
*Science*, 298:1241 (2002)



Mouse fibroblasts

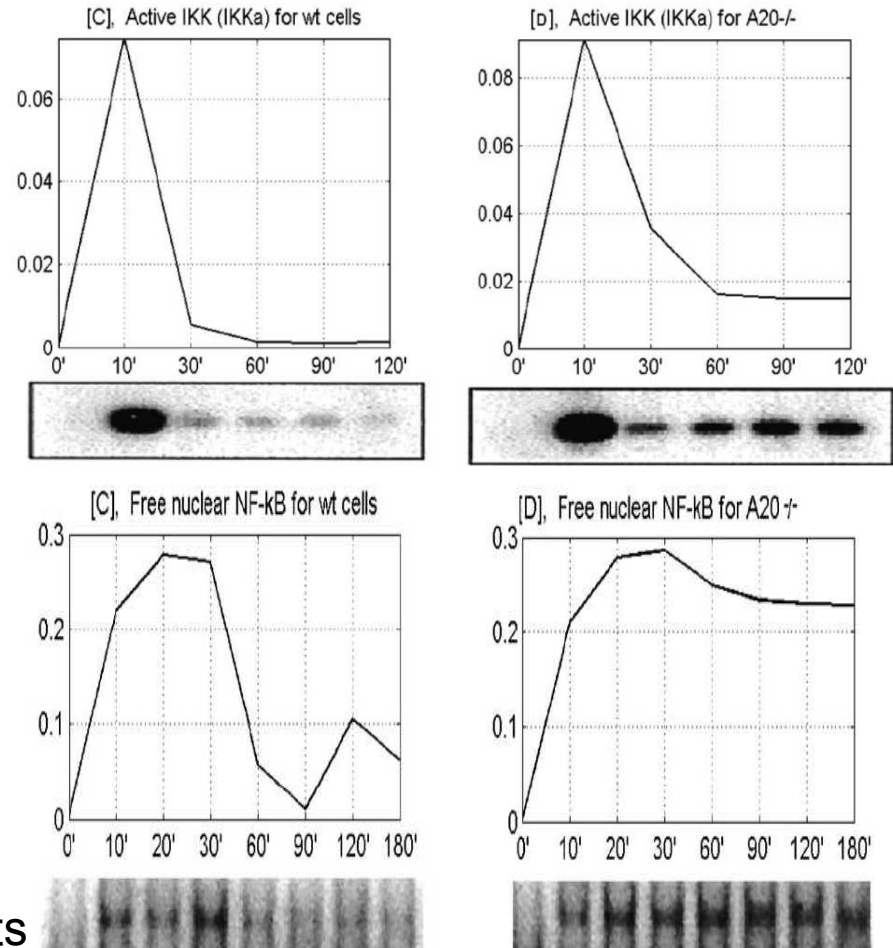
In IκB $\epsilon$  & IκB $\beta$  knock out mice, NF- $\kappa$ Bn is more oscillatory!

# Additional negative regulator of NF- $\kappa$ B: A20



Lee *et al*. Science 289:2350 (2000)  
Lipniacki *et al*. JTB 228:195 (2004)

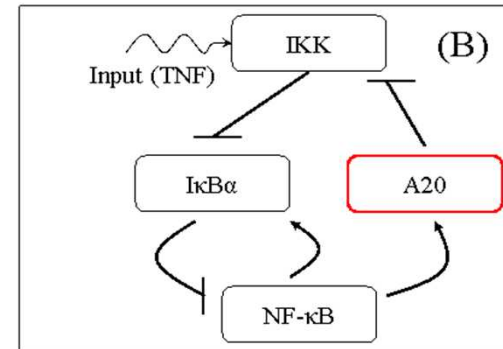
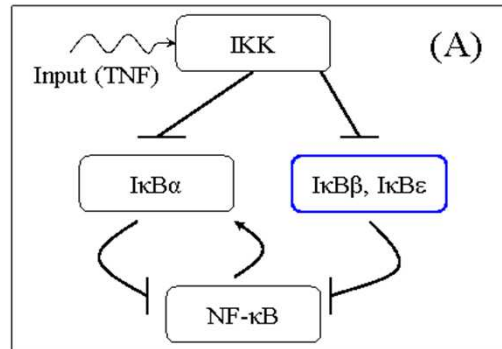
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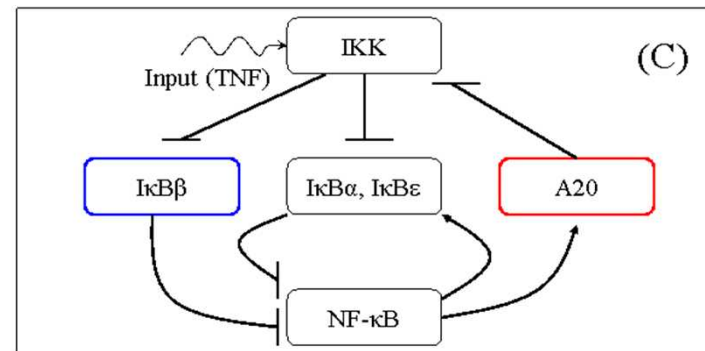
In A20 knock out mice, NF- $\kappa$ Bn level remains up high!

# Our up-to-date hybrid NF- $\kappa$ B Signaling network

Hoffmann *et al.*  
Science, 298:1241  
(2002)



Lipniacki *et al.*  
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Ingredients: IKK, NF- $\kappa$ B, I $\kappa$ B $\alpha$ , I $\kappa$ B $\beta$ , I $\kappa$ B $\epsilon$ , A20, and their compounds

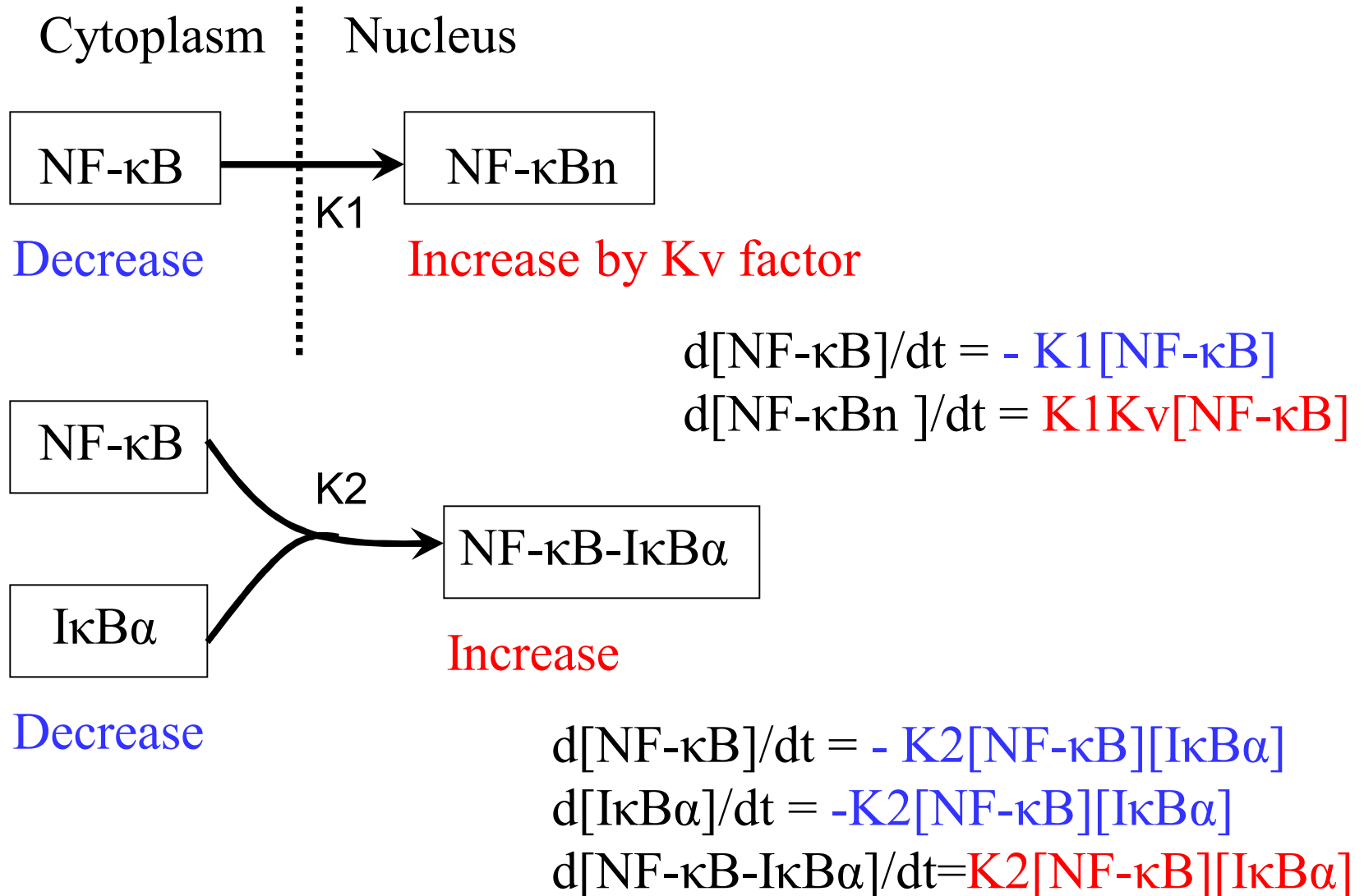
**TLR signal  $\leftarrow$  Persistent LPS**



- A system of ordinary differential equations with 28 species & 70 reactions.

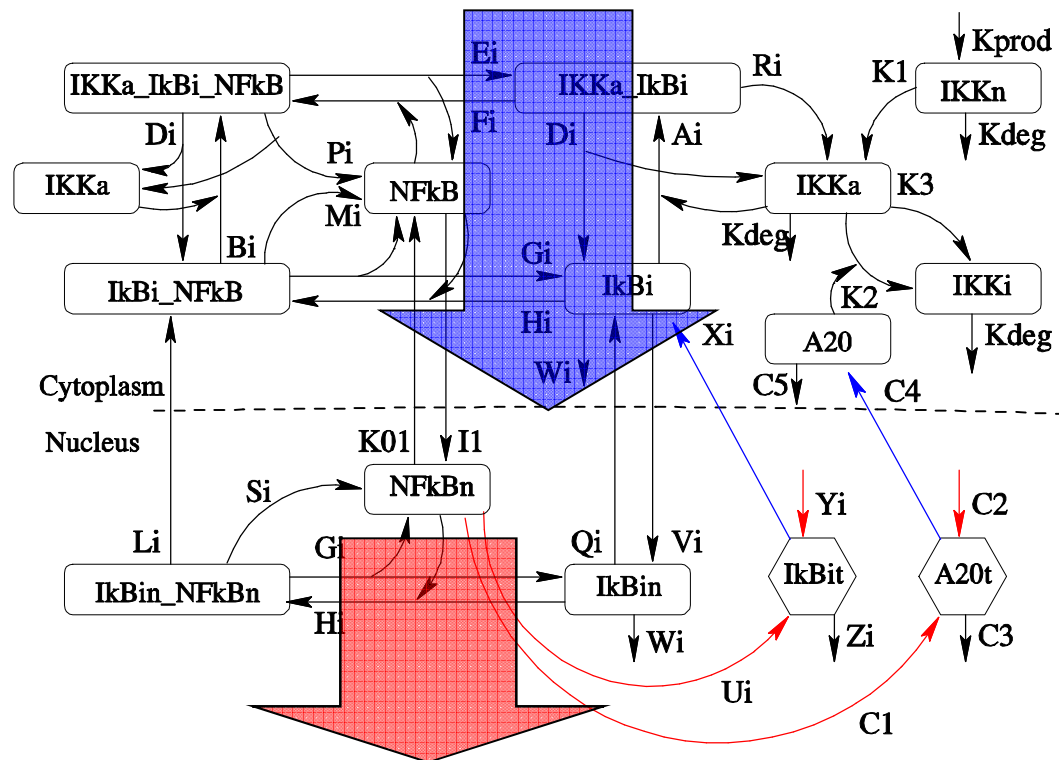



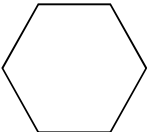



# Translation from hybrid network to a system of ODE



## *Sensitivity analysis of hybrid NF- $\kappa$ B signaling network model*

## Input: Perturbation of kinetic rate variables



Symbols	Names
	Protein
	mRNA
	Reaction
	Protein synthesis
	mRNA synthesis

## Output: Change in dynamic features of nuclear NF- $\kappa$ B response

## *Sampling of 71 input variables of the hybrid network model*

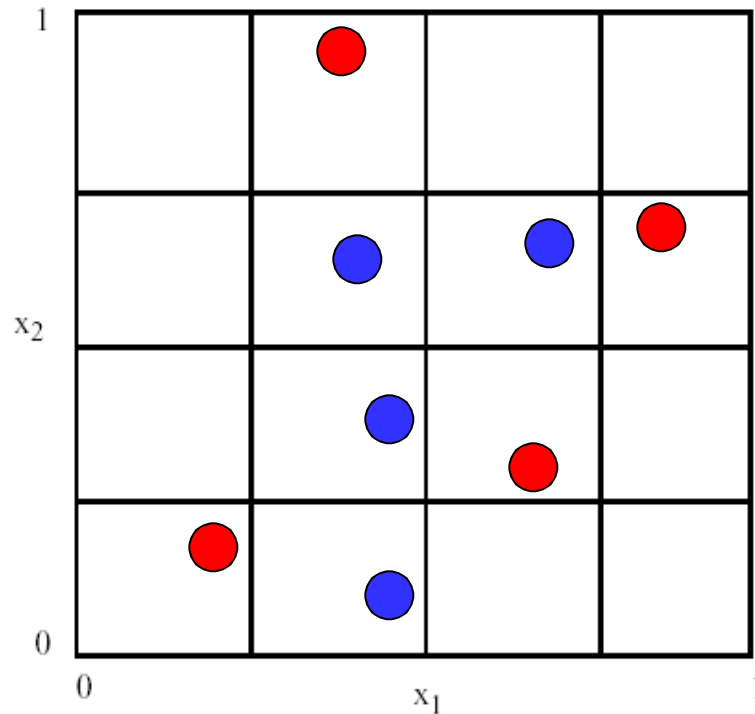
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- 70 kinetic rate variables + 1 initial condition
- Sample 71 input variables by Latin Hypercube Sampling according to **assumed** joint distribution
  - **Uniform** or lognormal distribution
  - Interval size for uniform distribution:  
Kinetic rate variable  $x$  in  $(x_0(1-f), x_0(1+f))$   
 $x_0$  is a nominal value and  $f=70\%$
- Typical sample size: 1,000 to 10,000 ODE simulations

# *Latin Hypercube Sampling according to uniform distribution*

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Example:



● Random

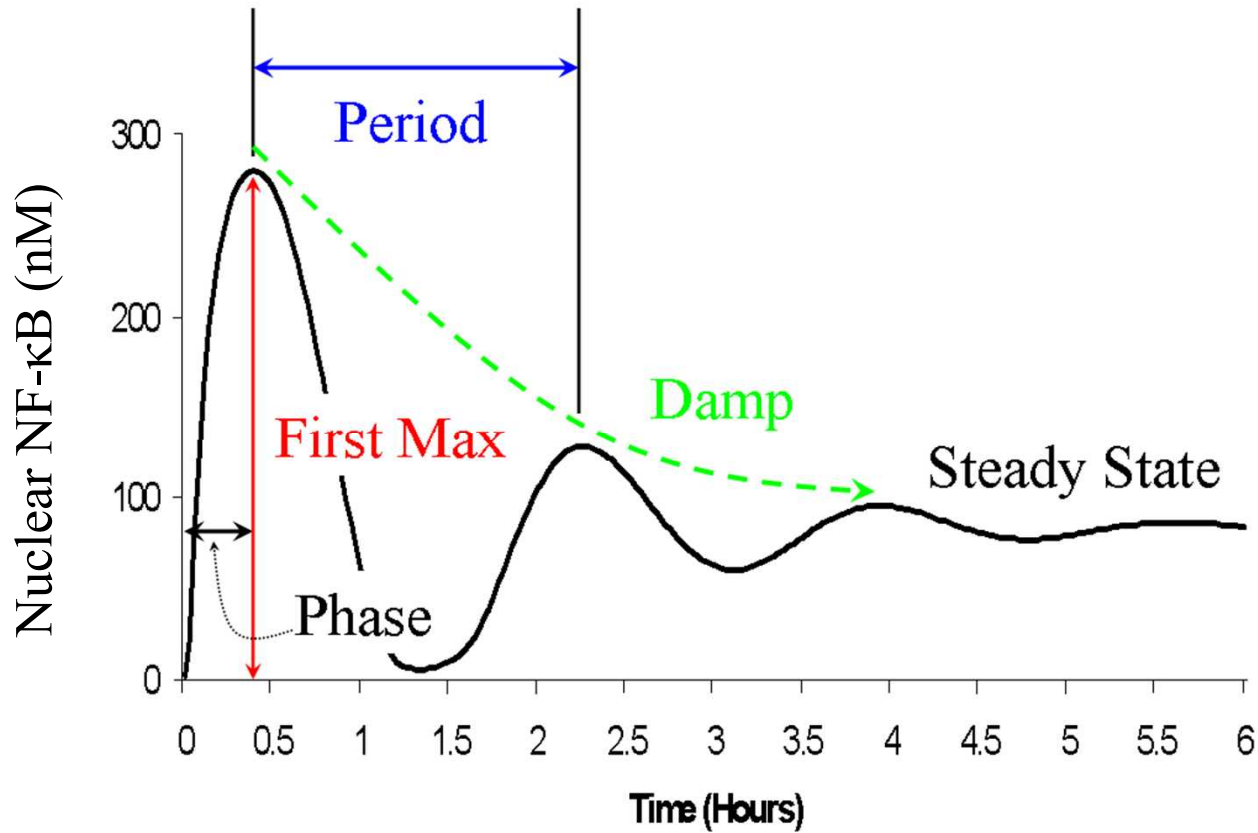
● Latin Hypercube  
Sampling

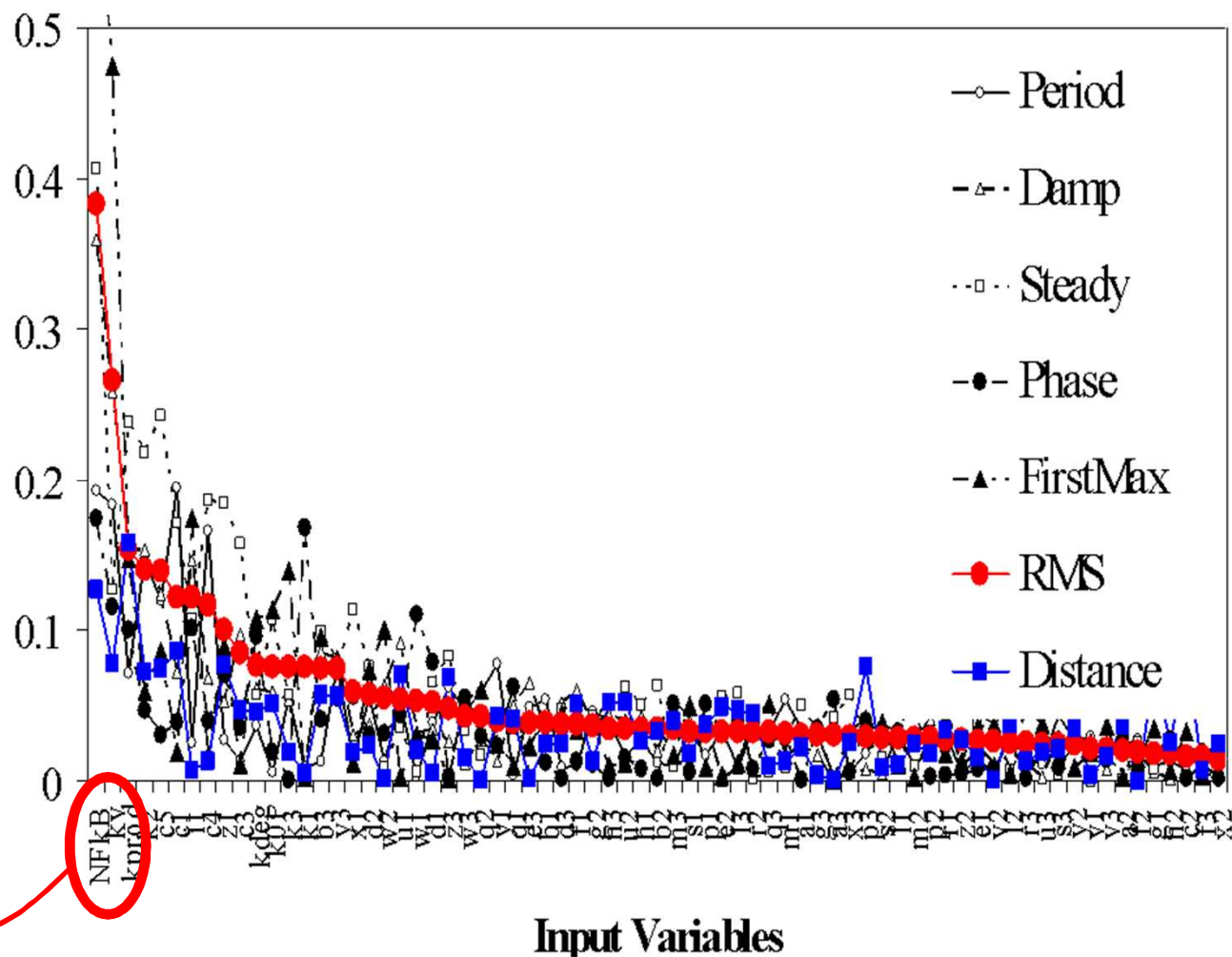
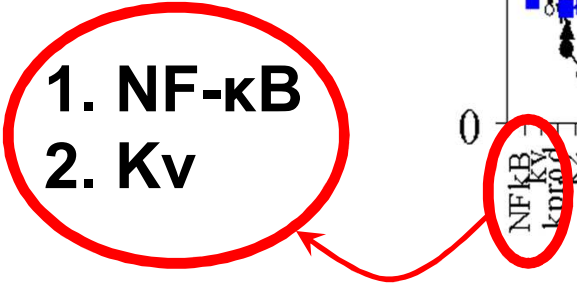
**Question:**

**What are the most influential kinetic rates on NF- $\kappa$ B response?**

# Quantification of nuclear NF- $\kappa$ B response with five dynamic features

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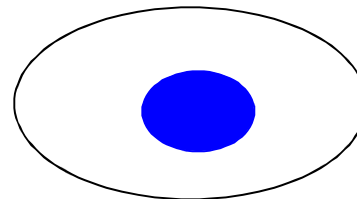
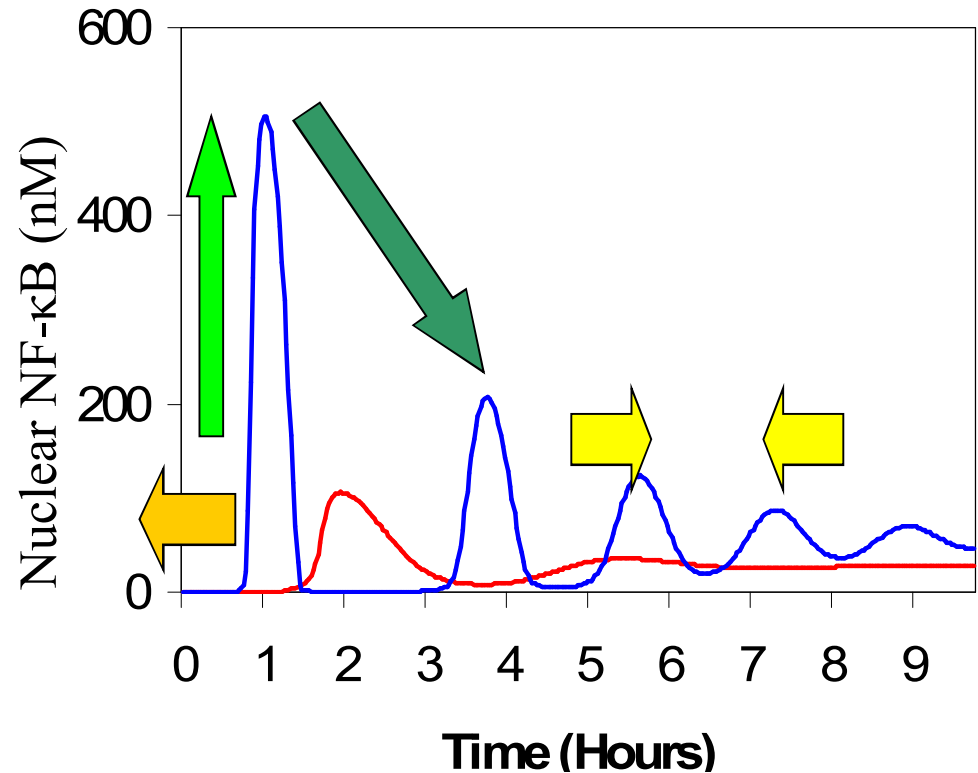
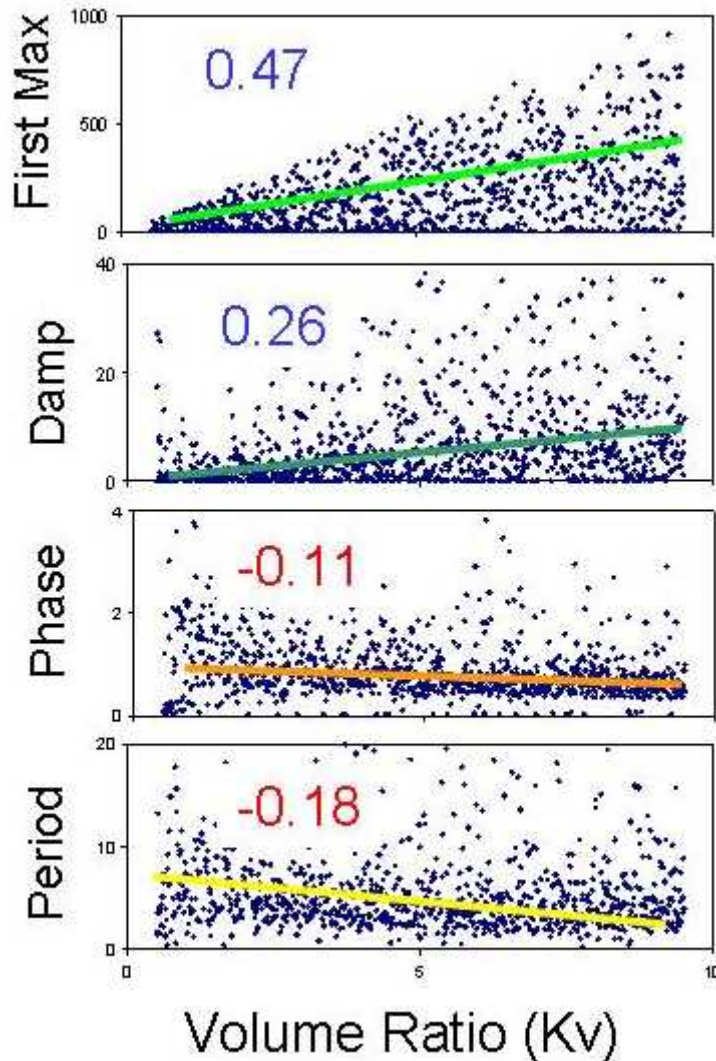


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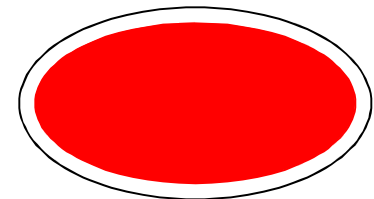
**What is the typical NF- $\kappa$ B response to variation of the most influential input variables?**



# *Dependence of NF- $\kappa$ B dynamic features on volume ratio of cytoplasm to nucleus*

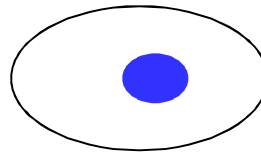
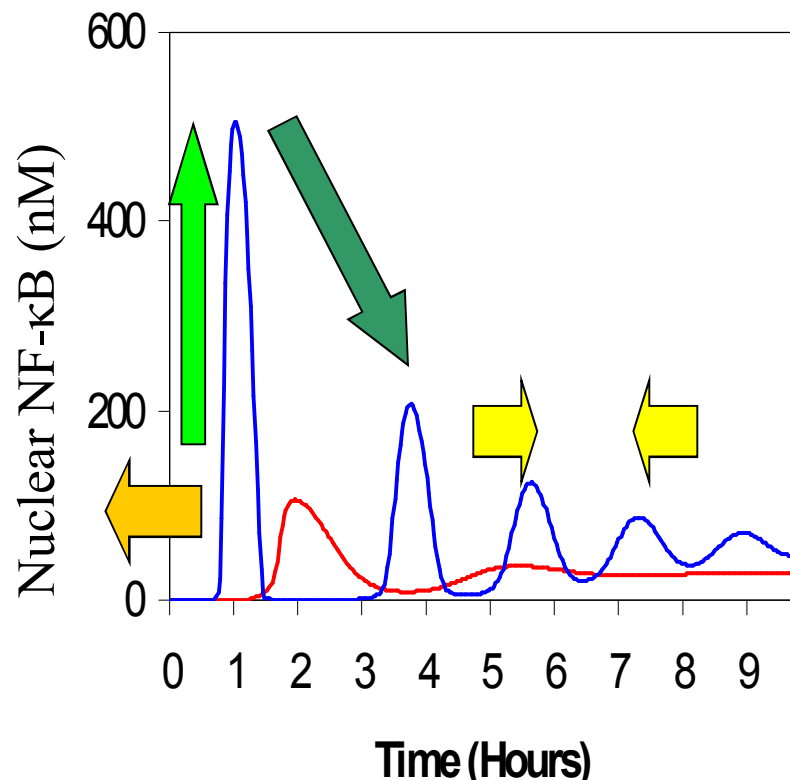


High Kv=10



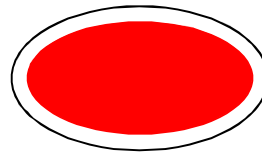
Low Kv=2

# *Dependence of NF- $\kappa$ B response on volume ratio of cytoplasm to nucleus*



**High volume ratio:**

Strong and fast NF- $\kappa$ B response  
with more temporal modulation



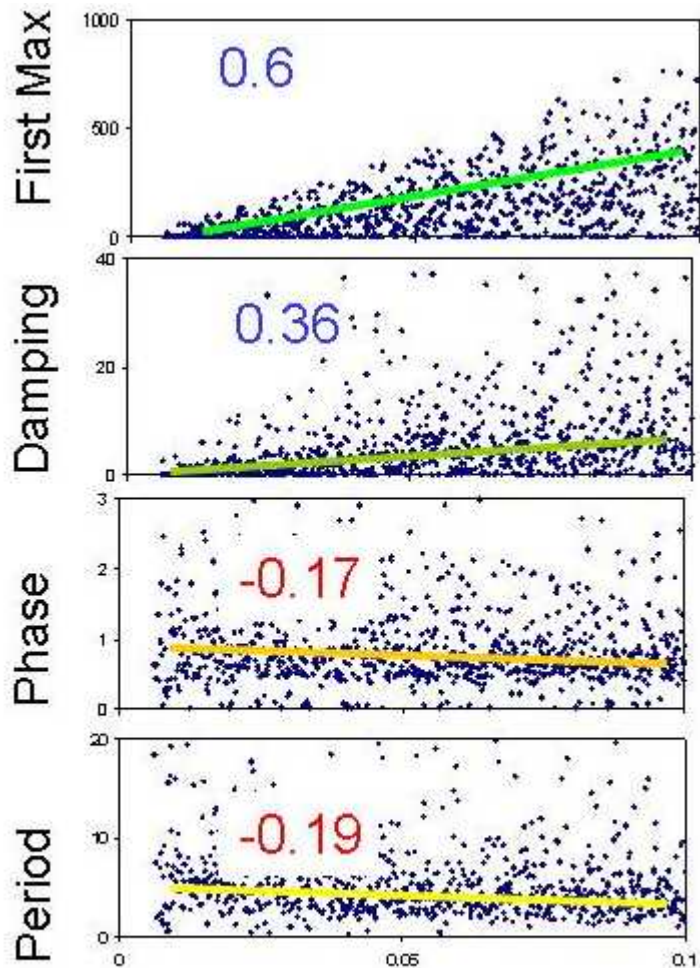
**Low volume ratio:**

Weak and slow NF- $\kappa$ B response  
with less temporal modulation

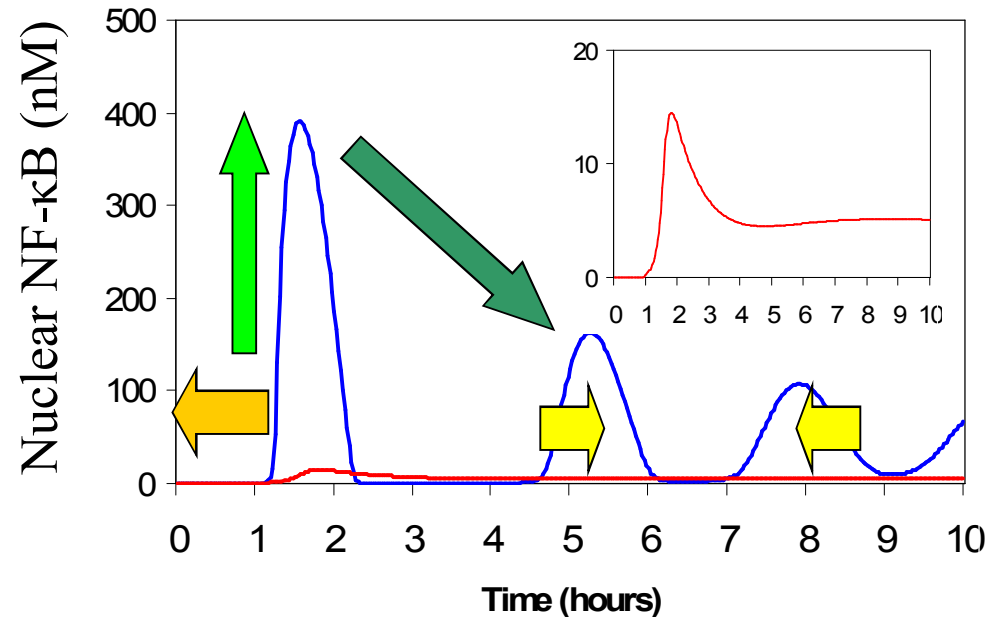
**Why?**

Higher volume ratio (smaller nucleus size)  
→ higher nuclear NF- $\kappa$ B concentration  
→ higher production of I $\kappa$ B $\alpha$  & A20  
→ Stronger negative feedback

# Dependence of NF- $\kappa$ B dynamic features on total NF- $\kappa$ B concentration



NFKB concentration (nM)



## High NF- $\kappa$ B concentration:

Strong and fast NF- $\kappa$ B response with more temporal modulation

## Low NF- $\kappa$ B concentration:

Weak and slow NF- $\kappa$ B response with less temporal modulation

**Question:**

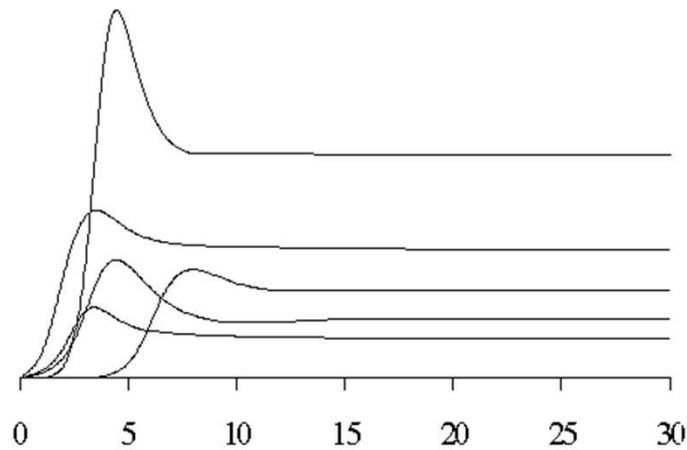
**What is statistical ensemble of NF- $\kappa$ B response?**

# *Four basic dynamic patterns of NF- $\kappa$ B response*

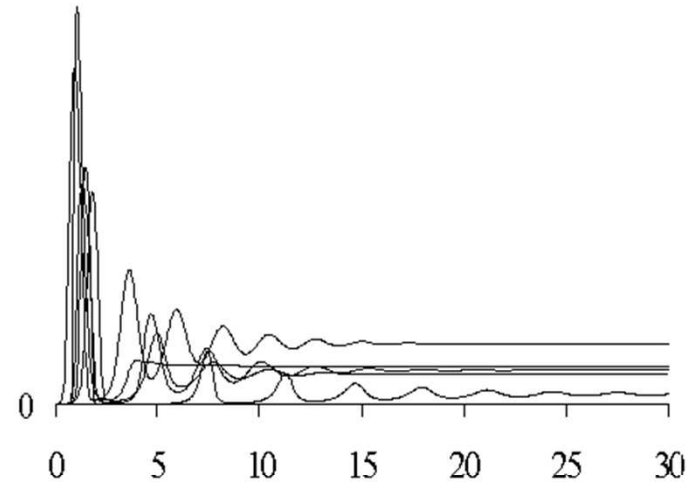
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Nuclear NF- $\kappa$ B (nM)

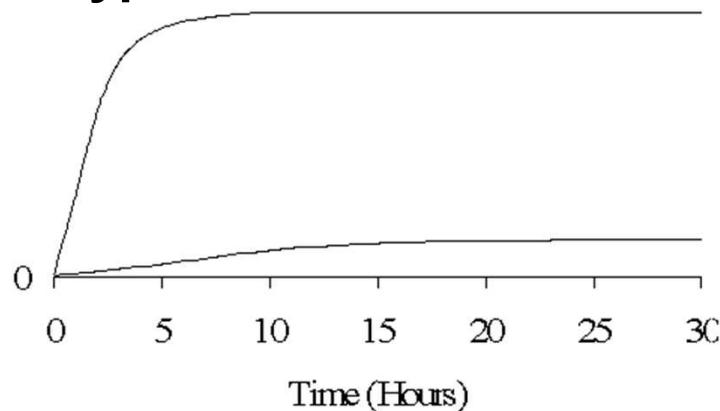
**Single-Peaked**



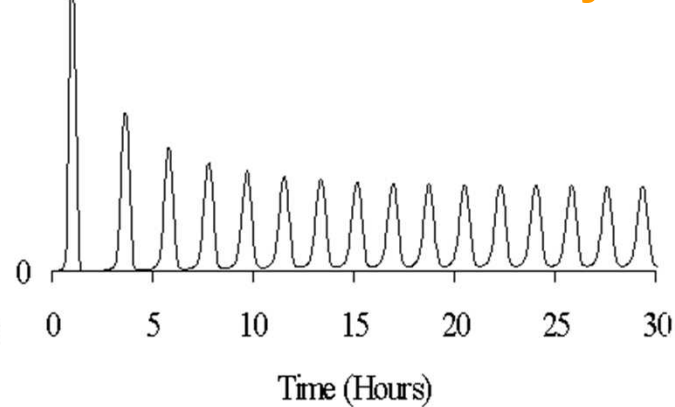
**Damped-oscillatory**



**Hyperbolic**

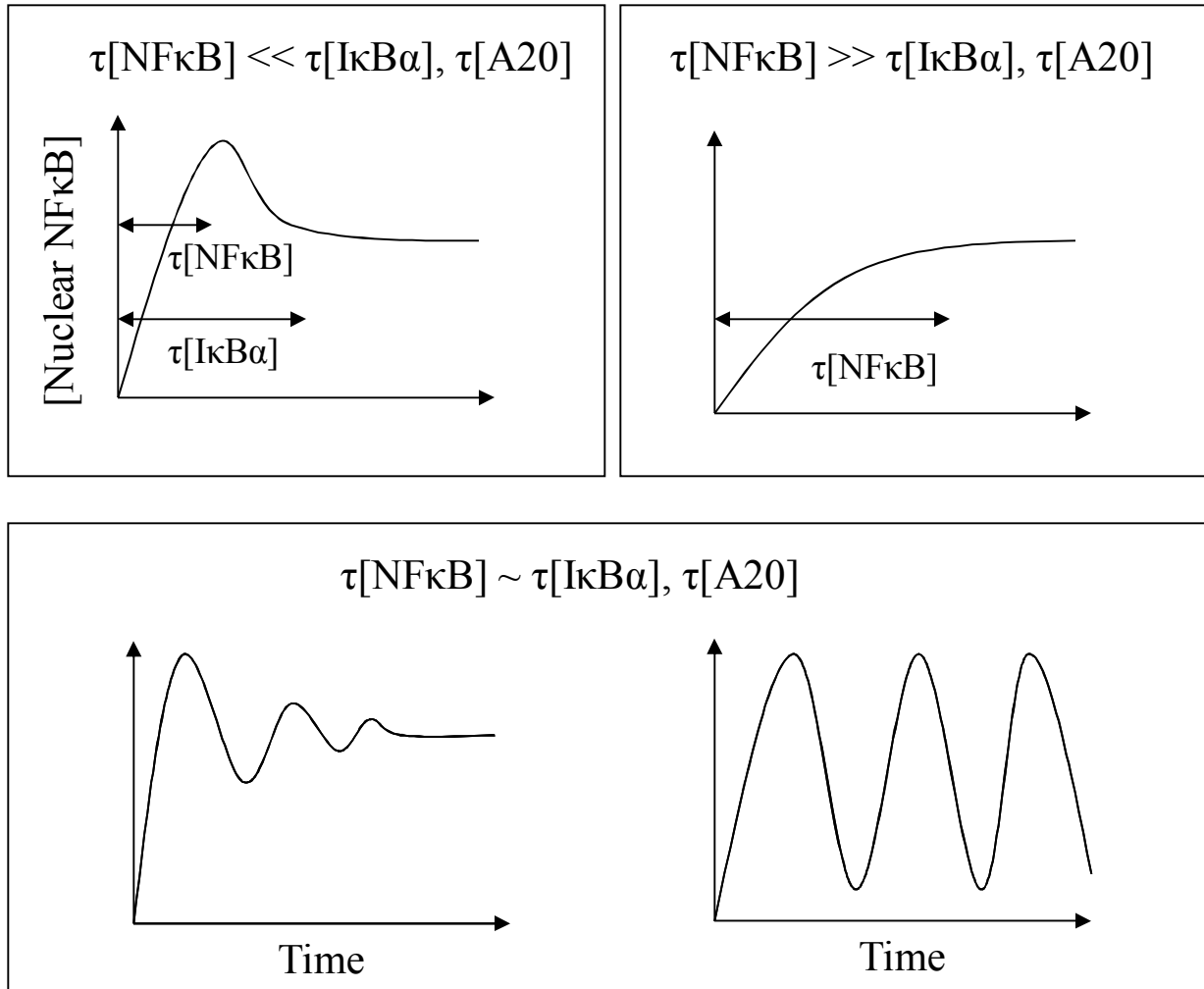


**Sustained-oscillatory**

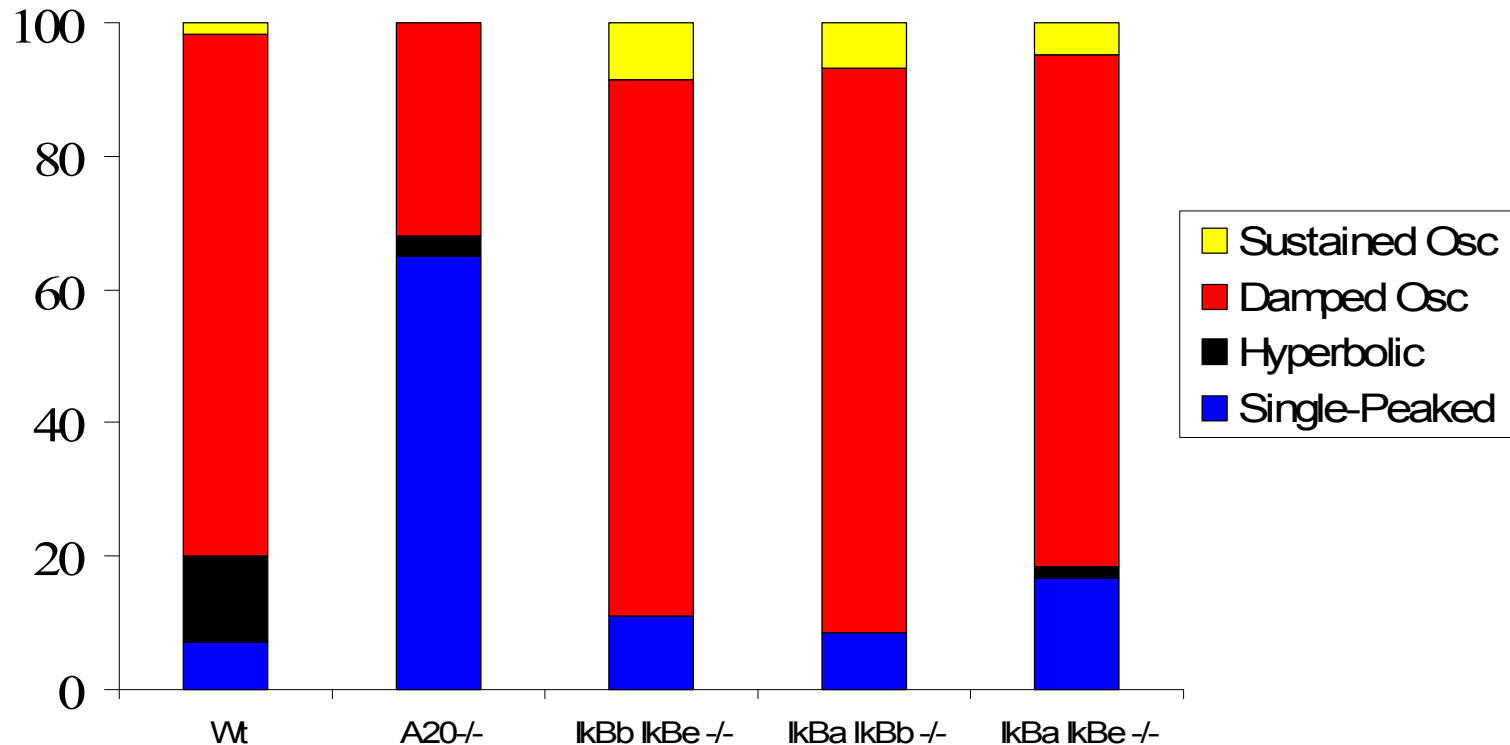


# *Four basic dynamic patterns depends on protein response time $\tau$*

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## *Distributions of dynamic patterns of NF- $\kappa$ B response*



- Signal strength=large ; number of samples=1000; interval size= 80%
- Most probable dynamic patterns are most observable & even robust against fluctuations of reaction rates.

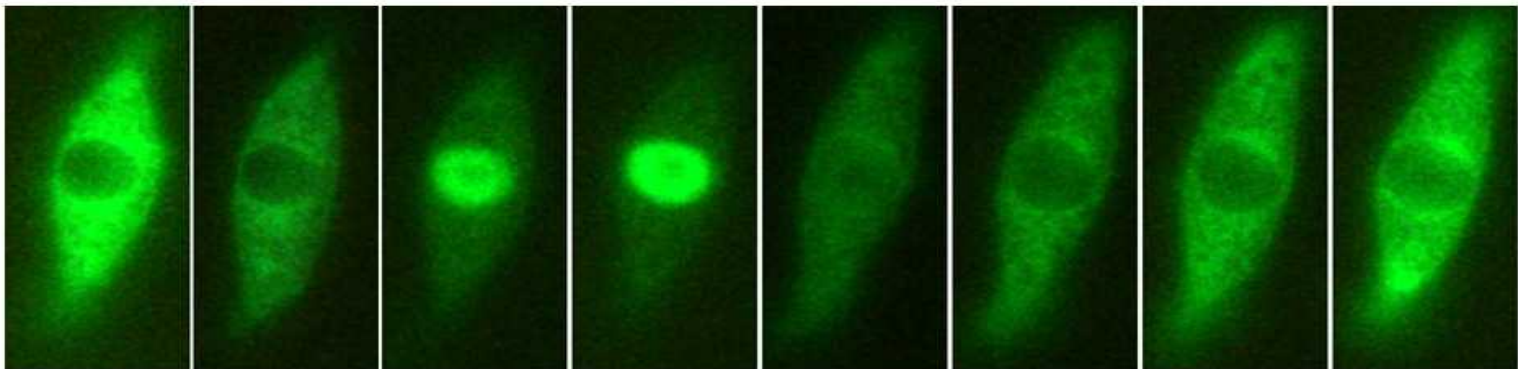
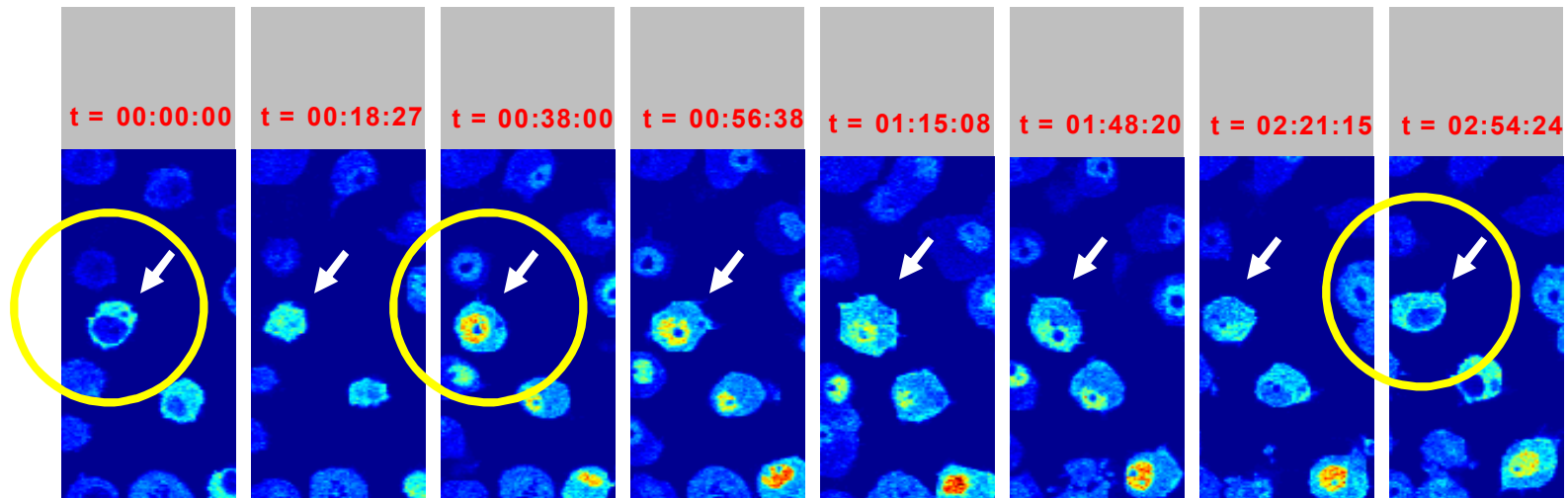
**Question:**

**What are the conditions for experimentally  
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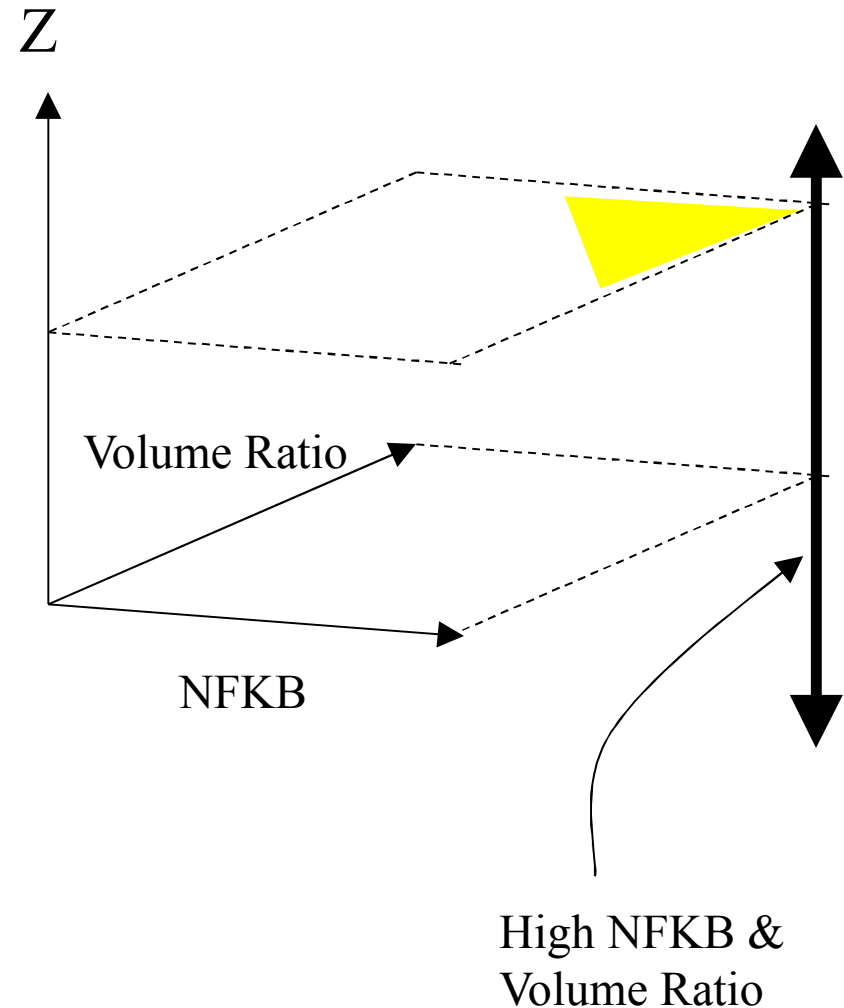
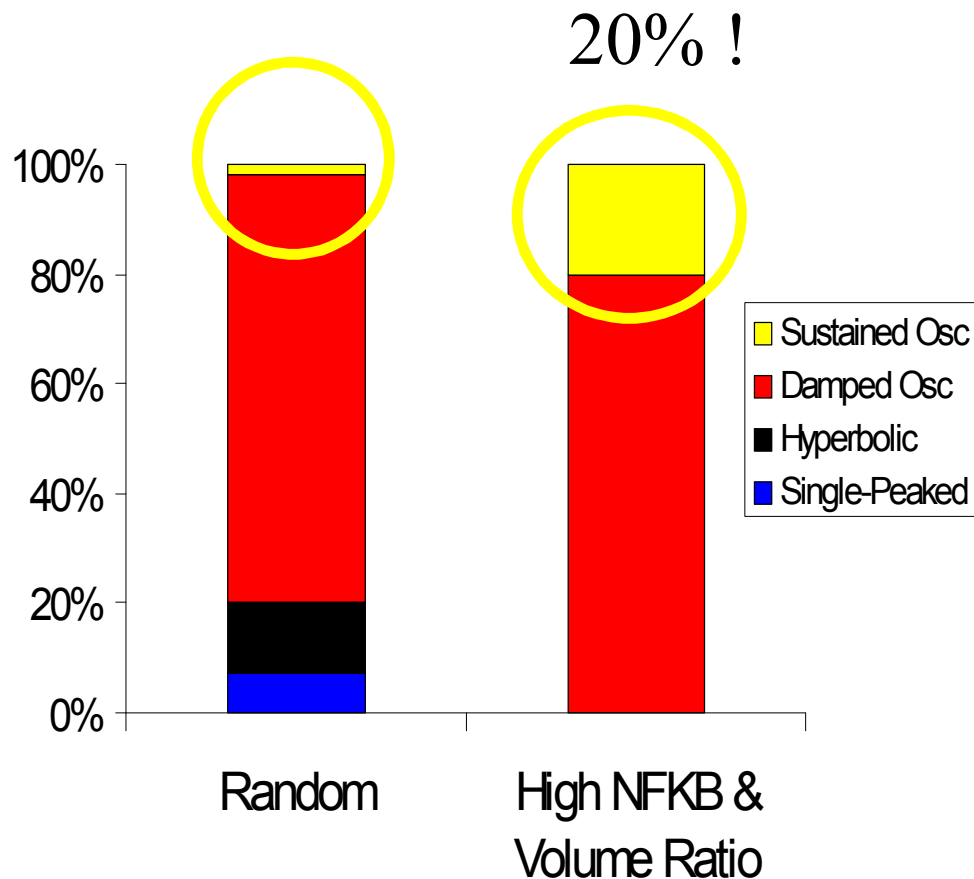
**(With Full Hybrid Model)**



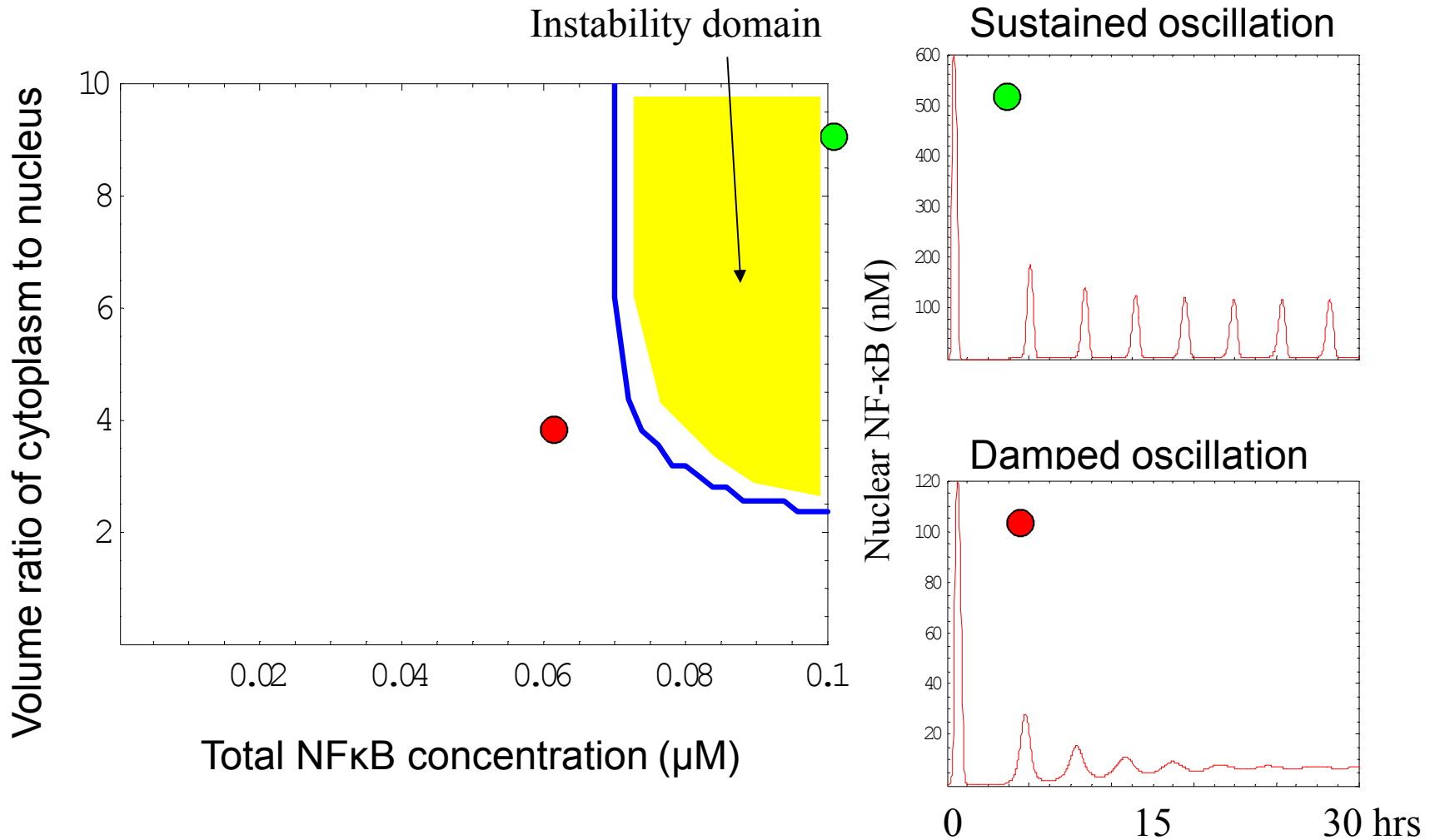
# RAW cells challenged with persistent LPS stimulus



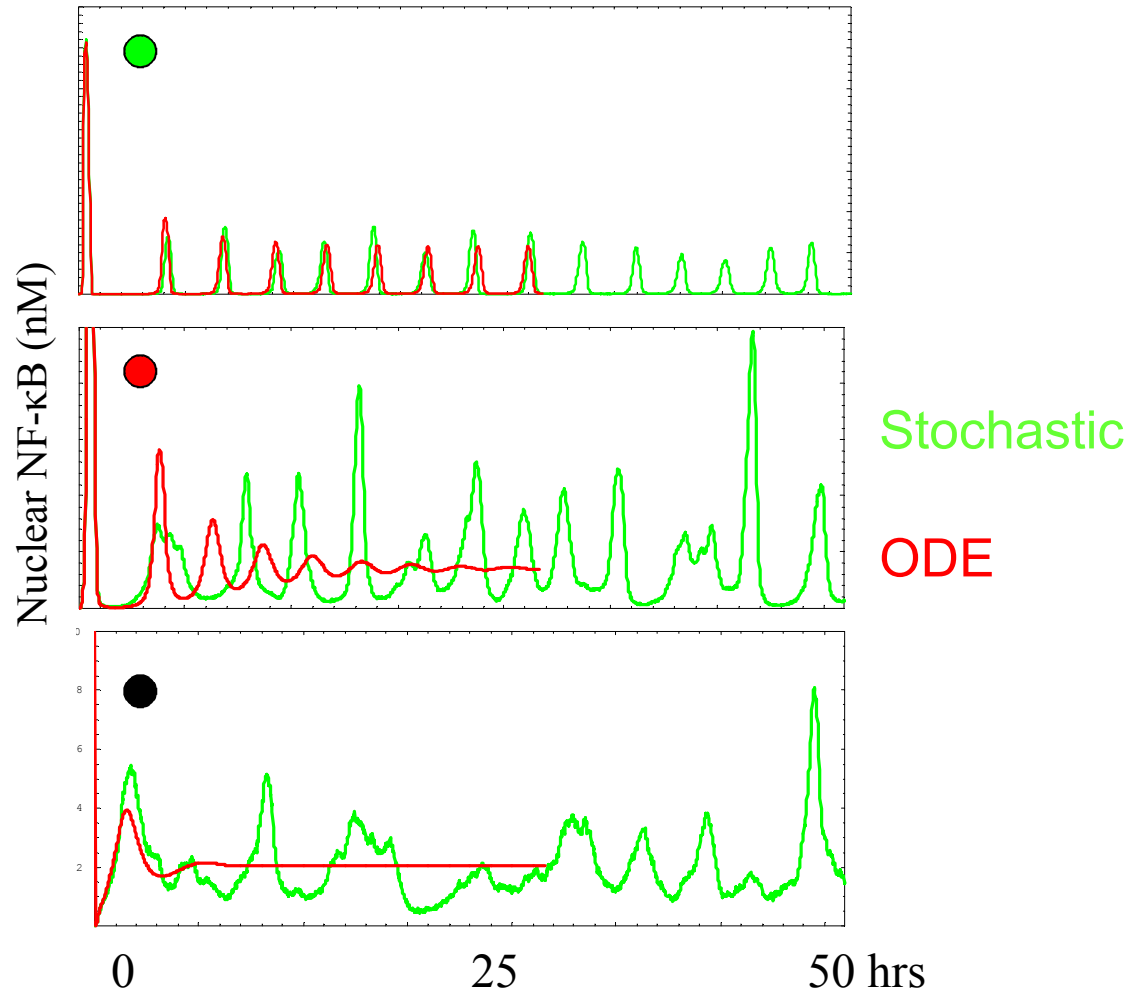
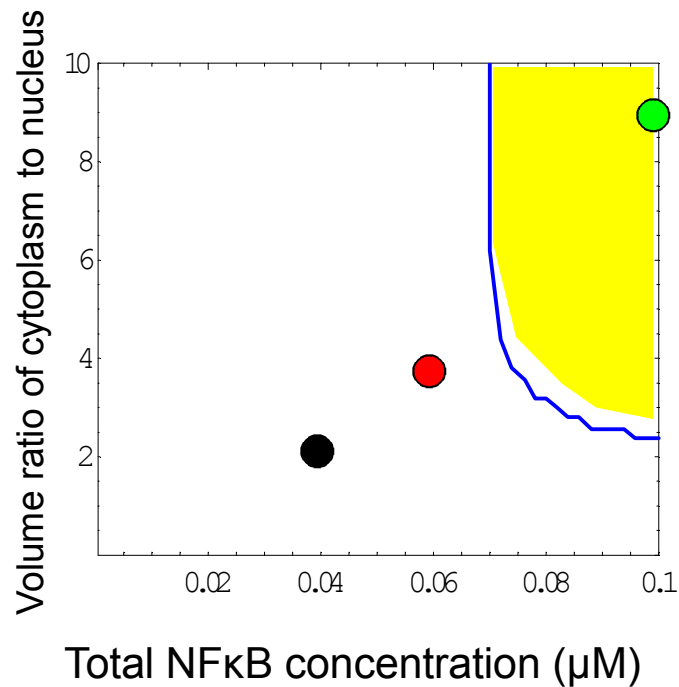
# *Distribution of NF- $\kappa$ B dynamic patterns for high total NF- $\kappa$ B concentration & volume ratio*



# *Bifurcation Diagram: with Deterministic Full Hybrid Model*



# Can noise induce NF- $\kappa$ B oscillation?

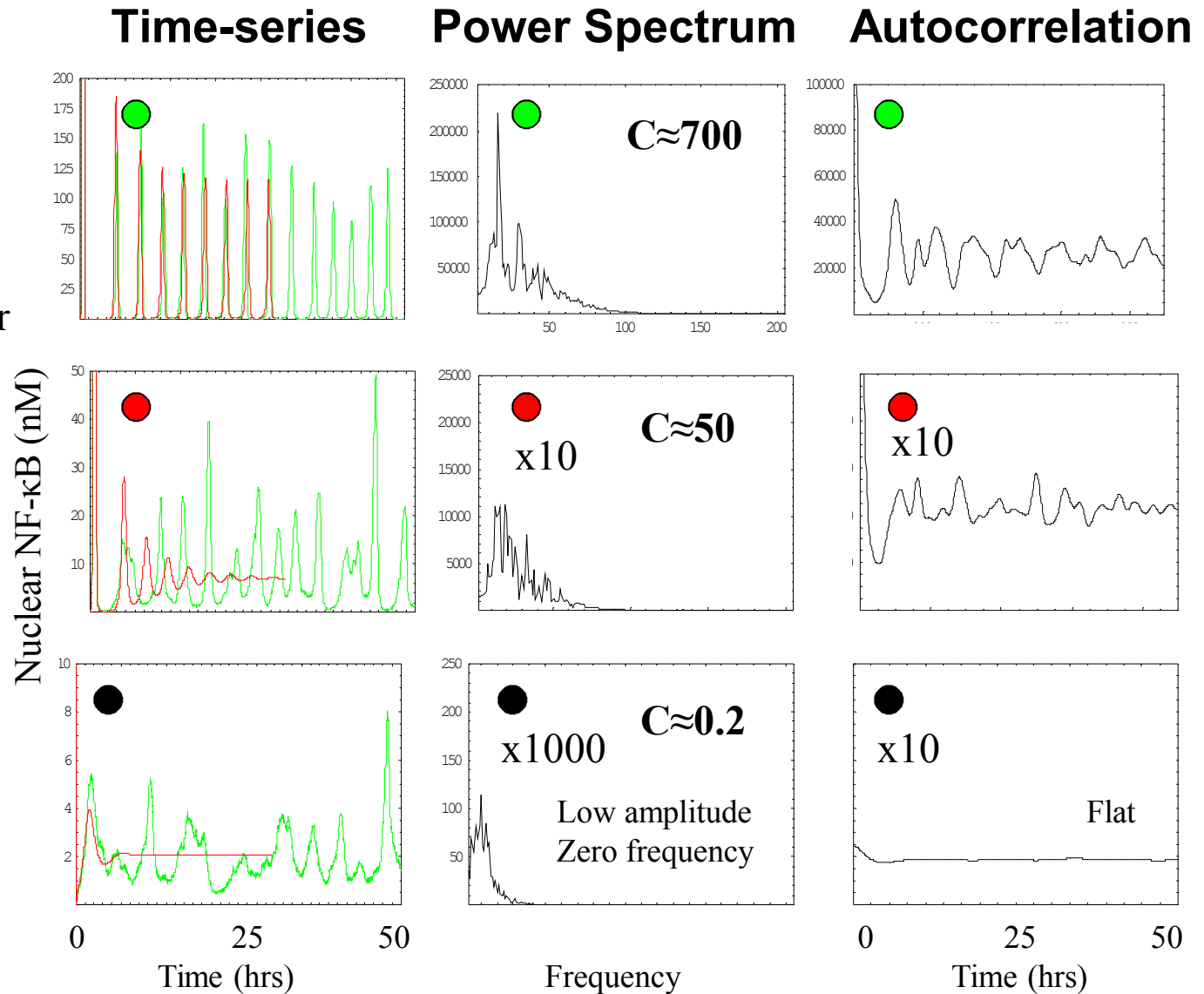
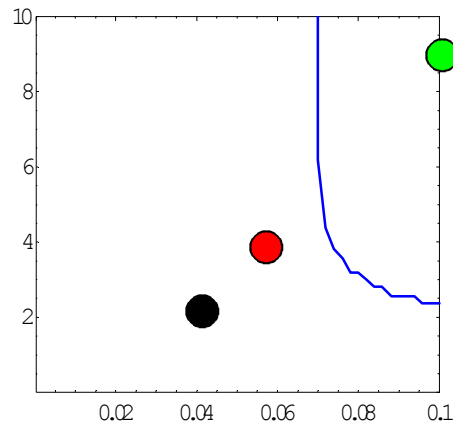


For Gillespies simulations, cytoplasm volume of RAW cells, 1643  $\mu$ m<sup>3</sup>, is used.

# Criteria for amplified noise-induced oscillation

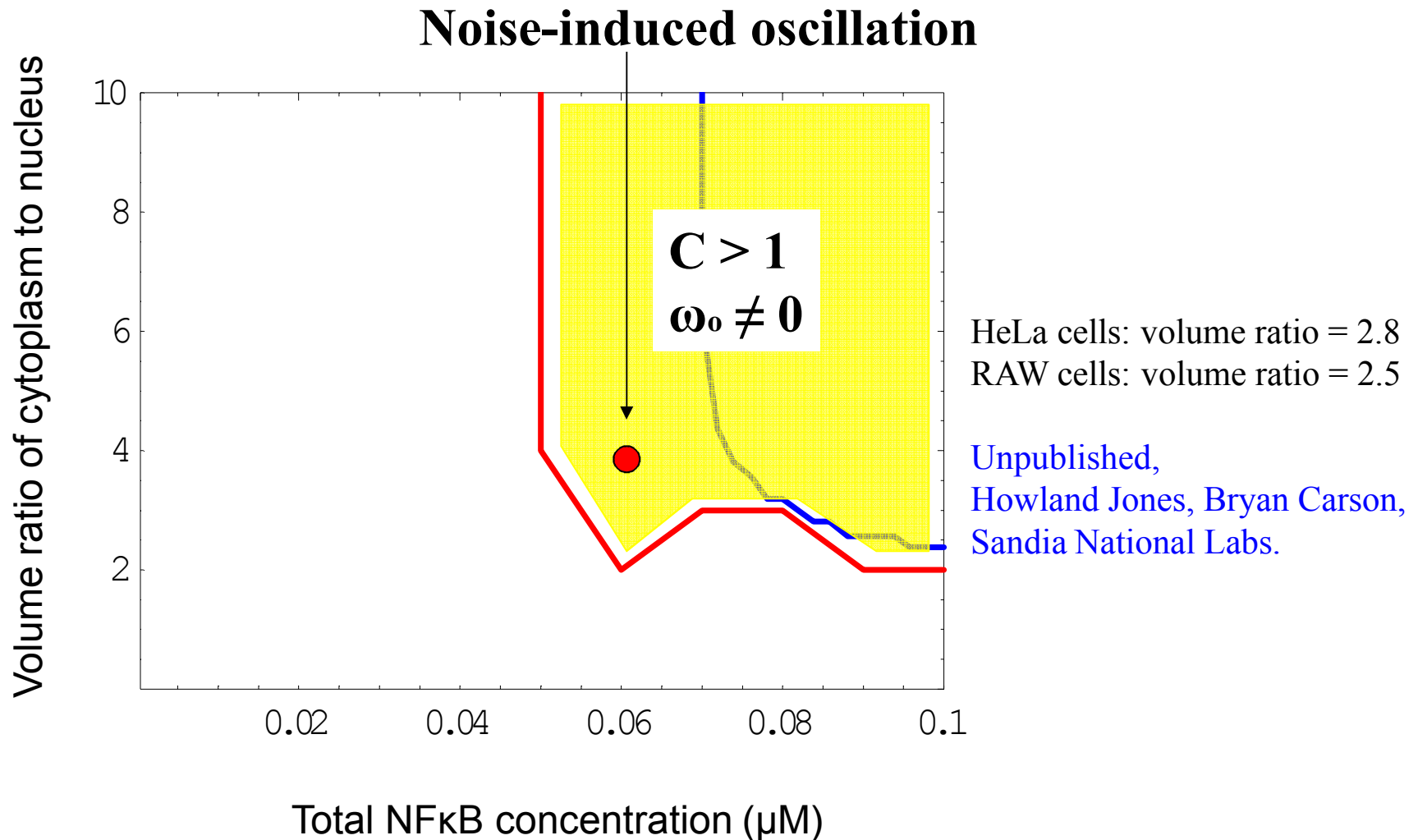
$$C = R / \sqrt{N}$$

R: peak amplitude  
N: total NFKB number



# Noise expands oscillatory domain: With Stochastic Full Hybrid Model

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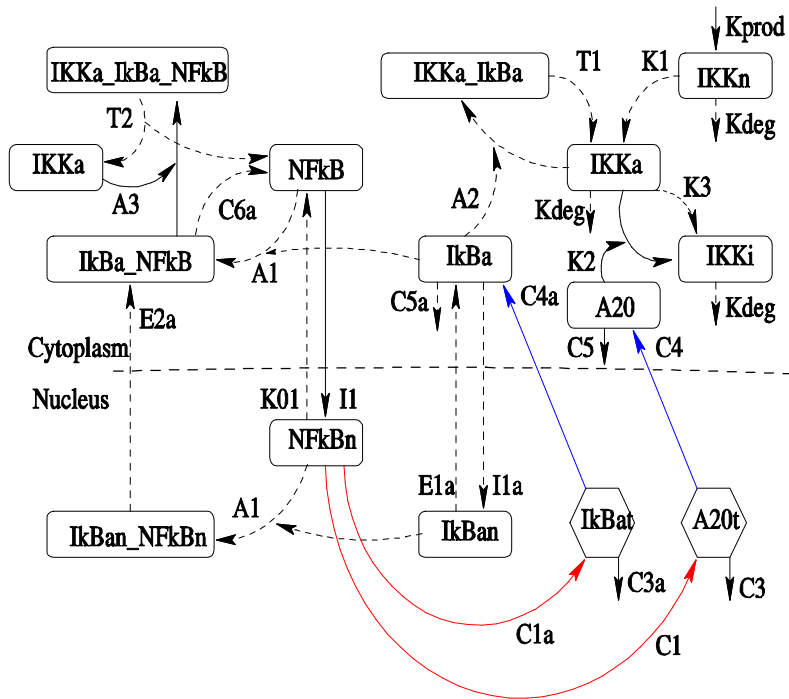


**Question 6:**

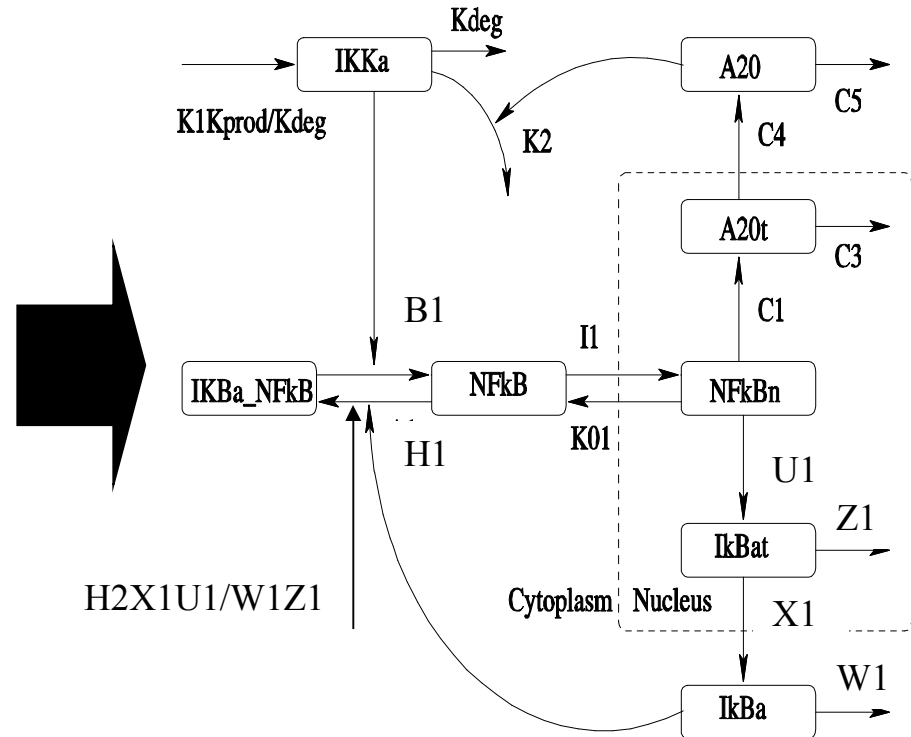
**What are the conditions for experimentally  
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**(With Minimal Model)**

## Full Hybrid Model



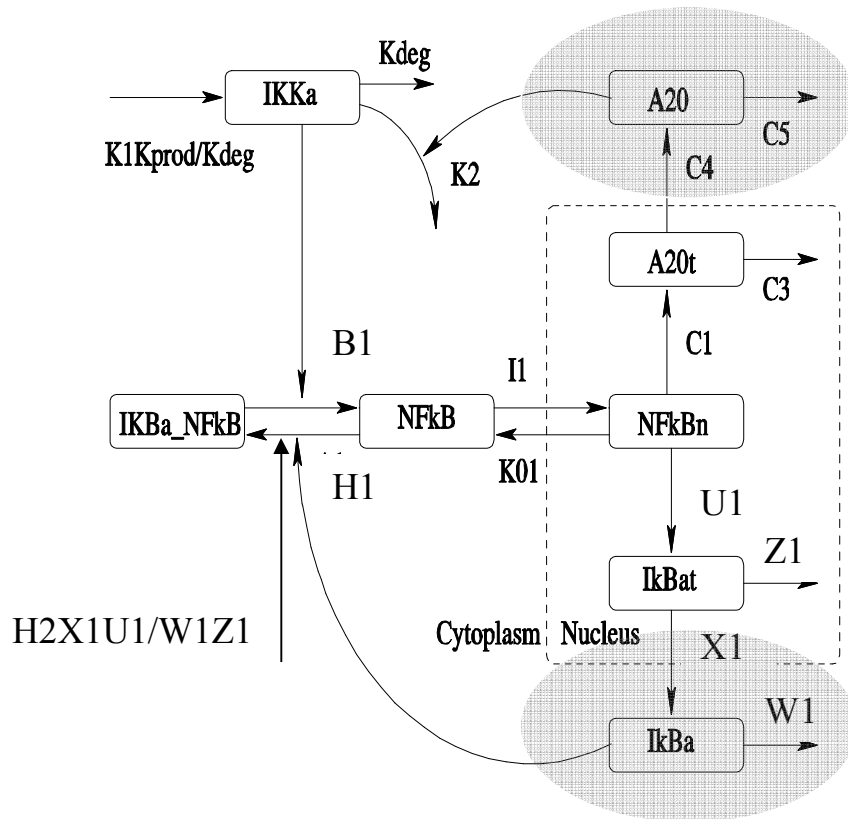
# Full Hybrid Model



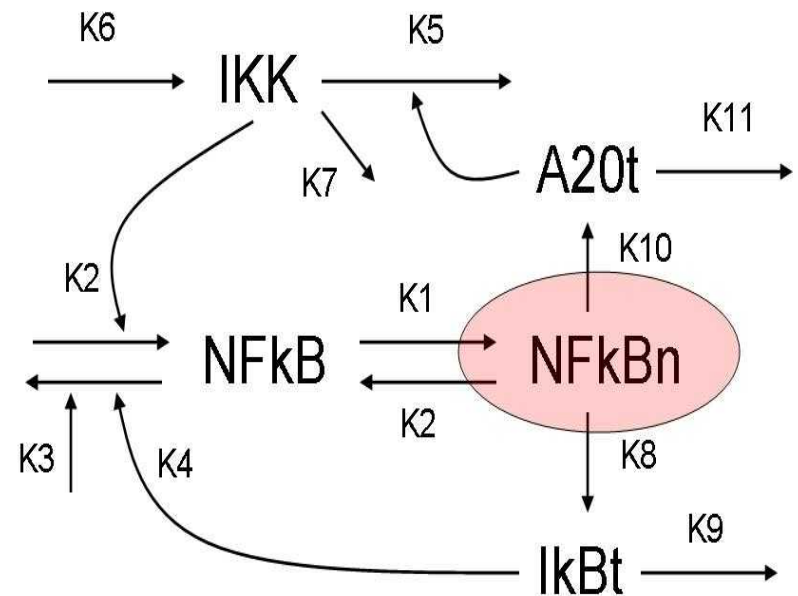
## Intermediate Model



# Model reduction: Renormalization of kinetic rate variables

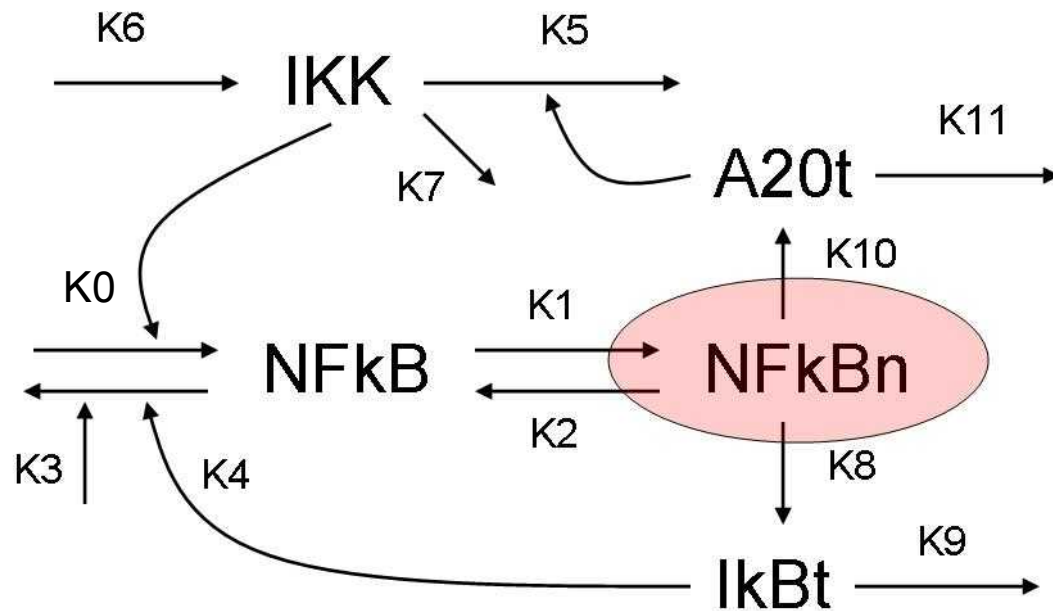


**Intermediate Model**



**Minimal Model**

*Stochastic two compartmental model:  
Explicitly include total NF- $\kappa$ B and two compartments*



# System-size expansion of Master equation

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Van Kampen Ansatz:

$X = x Vc + \xi_x Vc^{(1/2)}$ : species in cytoplasm

$Y = y Vn + \xi_y Vn^{(1/2)}$ : species in nucleus

Macroscopic concentration

Gaussian correction

$$\frac{d P(X, \dots)}{dt} = \frac{d \pi(\xi_x, \dots)}{dt}$$

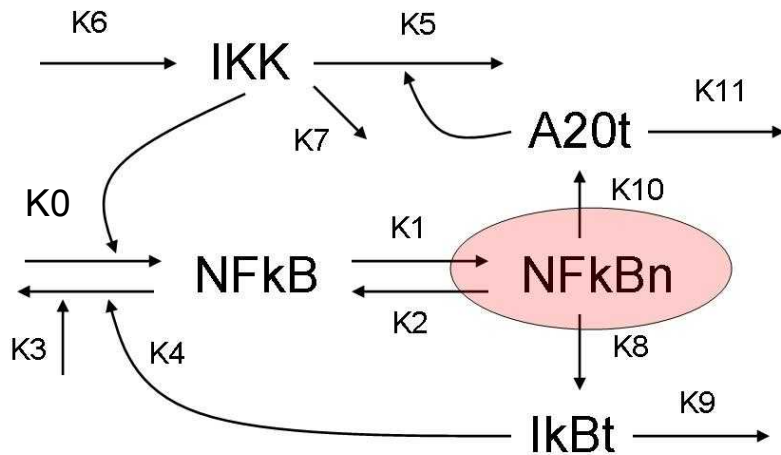
$$= \text{Terms}(V^{(1/2)}) + \text{Terms}(V^{(0)}) + O(V^{(-1/2)})$$

Macroscopic Equations

Langevin Equations

# Emergence of macroscopic equations: Terms ( $V^{(1/2)}$ )

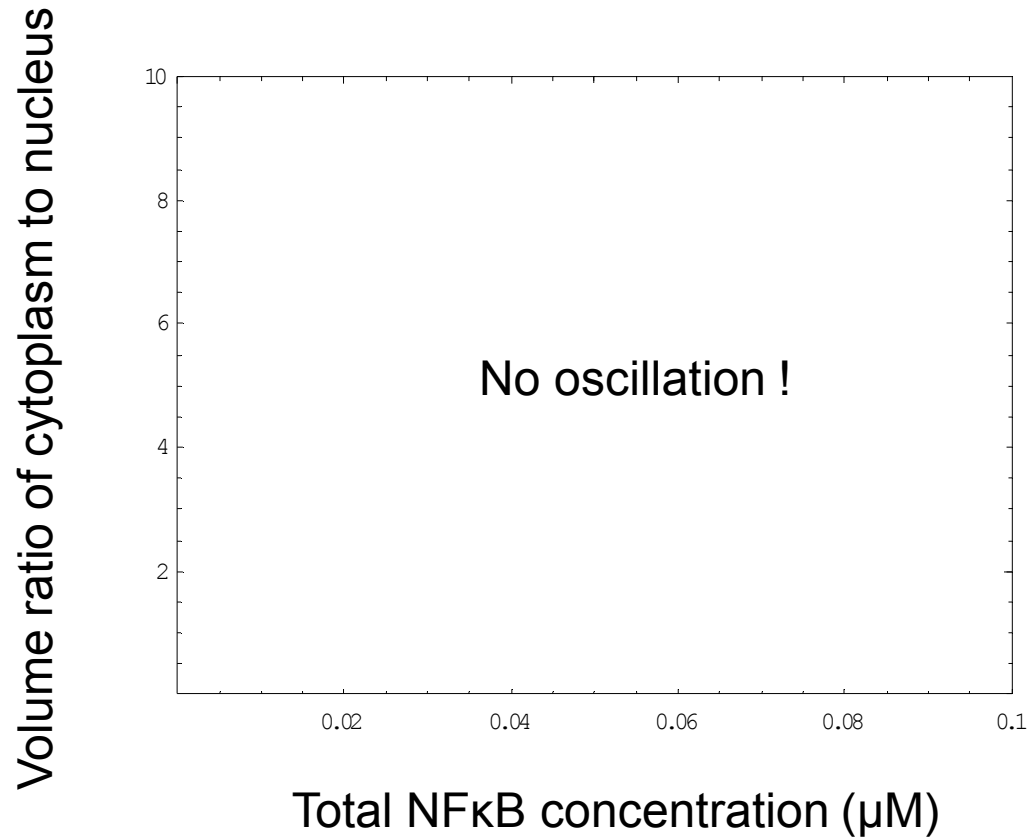
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$$\begin{aligned}
 d [\text{NFkB}] / dt &= - K1 [\text{NFkB}] + K2 [\text{NFkBN}] / kv \\
 &\quad - K3 [\text{NFkB}] - K4 [\text{NFkB}] [\text{IkbT}] \\
 &\quad + K0 [\text{IKK}] (\text{NFkB\_TOT} - [\text{NFkB}] - [\text{NFkBn}] / kv) \\
 d [\text{NFkBn}] / dt &= K1 kv [\text{NFkB}] - K2 [\text{NFkBn}] \\
 d [\text{IkbT}] / dt &= K8 [\text{NFkBn}] / kv - K9 [\text{IkbT}] \\
 d [\text{A20t}] / dt &= K10 [\text{NFkBn}] / kv - K11 [\text{A20t}] \\
 d [\text{IKK}] / dt &= K6 - K5 [\text{IKK}] [\text{A20t}] - K7 [\text{IKK}]
 \end{aligned}$$

## *Bifurcation diagram: with Deterministic Minimal model*

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A single positive fixed point is stable for the kinetic rate variables under our consideration.

## *Linear Fokker Planck equation: Terms( $V^\wedge(0)$ )*

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$$d \pi (\xi_\alpha, \dots) / dt = - \sum \partial (A_\alpha \pi) / \partial \xi_\alpha + (1/2) \sum B_{\alpha\beta} \partial^2 \pi / \partial \xi_\alpha \partial \xi_\beta$$

$A_\alpha$  is a linear function of  $\xi$ :  $A_\alpha = \sum M_{\alpha\beta} \xi_\beta$  where “**M**” is a matrix without  $\xi$ .

“**B**” is noise covariance matrix, responsible for amplification of noise.

Conversion to Langevin equations for simplicity of analysis:

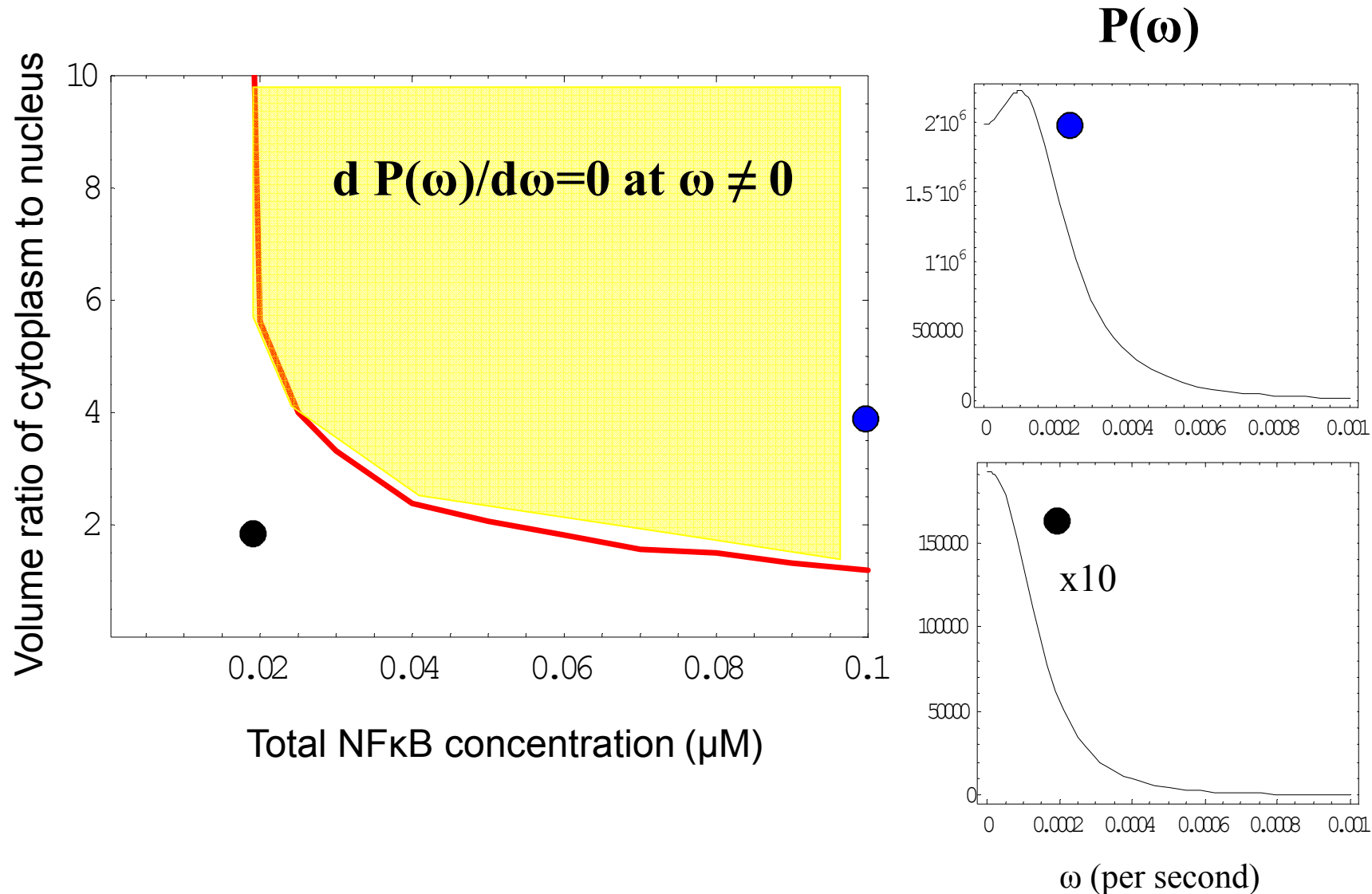
$$d \xi(t) / dt = \mathbf{M} \xi(t) + \boldsymbol{\eta}(t) \text{ where } \langle \eta_\alpha(t) \eta_\beta(t') \rangle = B_{\alpha\beta} \delta(t-t')$$

Power Spectrum :

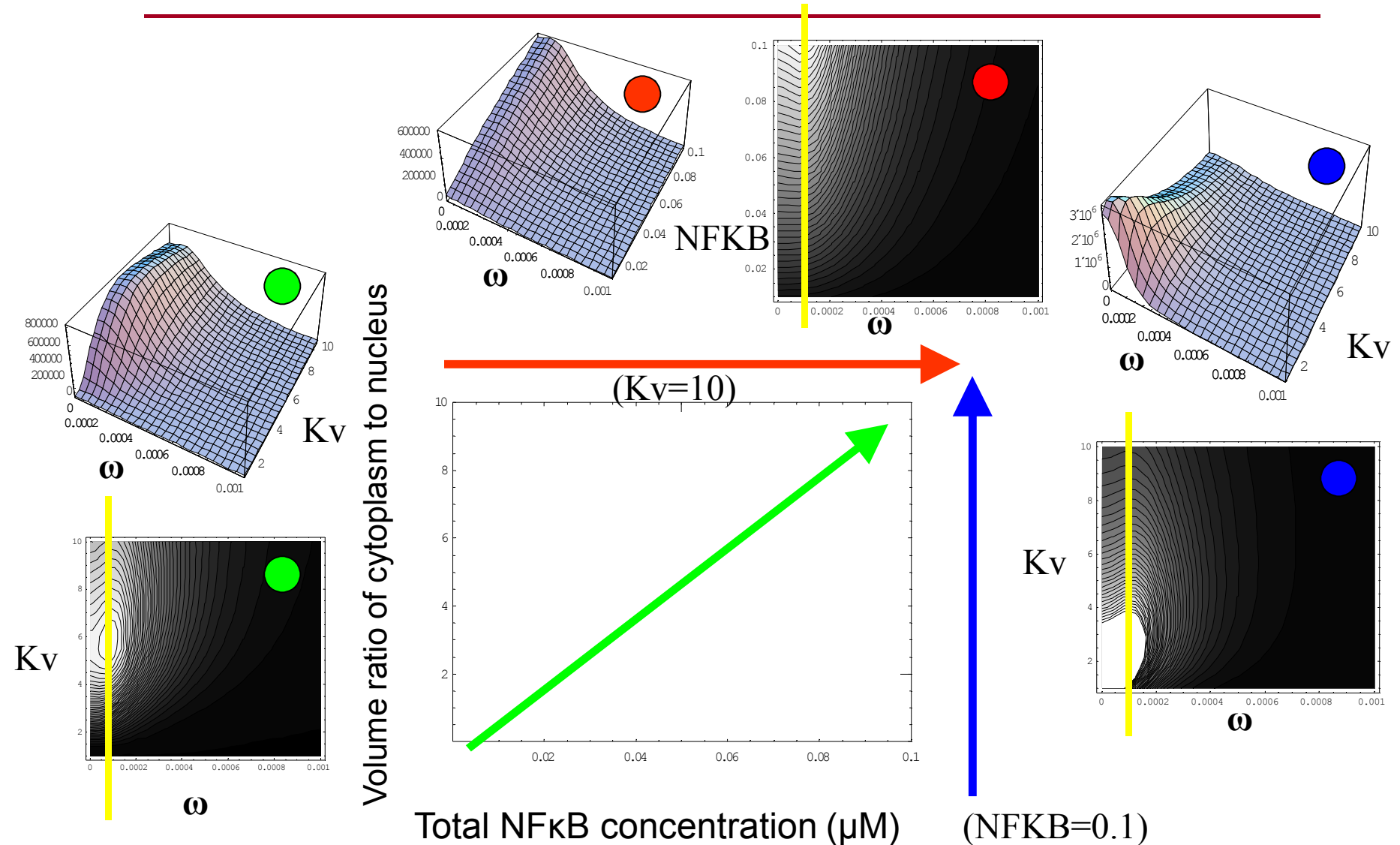
$$P_\alpha(\omega) = \langle \xi_\alpha(\omega) \xi_\alpha^*(\omega) \rangle = \sum \sum (-i\omega \mathbf{E} - \mathbf{M})^{-1}_{\alpha\beta} B_{\beta\gamma} (-i\omega \mathbf{E} - \mathbf{M})^*_{\gamma\alpha}$$

We calculate power spectrum from **M** and **B** matrices.

# Noise-induced oscillatory domain: with Stochastic Minimal Model



# *Period of noise-induced oscillation is independent of total NF- $\kappa$ B concentration and volume ratio*





# Conclusion

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1. Sensitivity analysis reveals that the NF- $\kappa$ B dynamics critically depends on total NF- $\kappa$ B concentration and volume ratio of cytoplasm to nucleus.
2. Deterministic full hybrid model generates the dynamic instability when both total NF- $\kappa$ B concentration and volume ratio are large.
3. Noise expands the instability domain of NF- $\kappa$ B, i.e., emergence of noise-induced oscillation of NF- $\kappa$ B at its natural frequency.
4. Stochastic minimal model qualitatively reproduces the noise-induced oscillation of NF- $\kappa$ B whereas its deterministic counterpart has only stable fixed point.

## *Collaborators*

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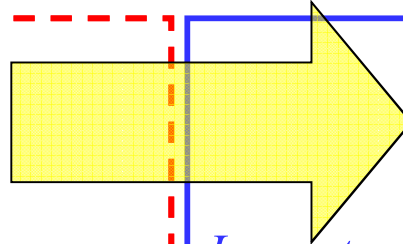
# Extra Slides

# *Sensitivity Analysis:*

## *List of important reactions and species*

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### **Computational Model**



### **Experiments**

#### ***Important Kinetic rate variables:***

- Protein concentration of [NF- $\kappa$ B]
- Volume ratio of cytoplasm to nucleus
- mRNA synthesis of [IkB $\alpha$ ] & [A20]
- Protein synthesis of [IkB $\alpha$ ] & [A20]
- Degradation/production of IKK
- A20-induced inactivation of IKK
- IKK-NF $\kappa$ B-IkB $\alpha$  complex formation
- Transport of NF $\kappa$ B & IkB $\alpha$

#### ***Important Biochemical Species:***

- Protein [NF $\kappa$ B]
- Volume ratio of cytoplasm to nucleus
- mRNA [IkB $\alpha$ ]
- mRNA [A20]
- Protein [IkB $\alpha$ ]
- Protein [A20]
- Protein [free IKK $\beta$ ]
- Protein [IKK\_IkB $\alpha$ \_NF $\kappa$ B]

Some are currently being measured by  
Bio-Core & Platform Core.

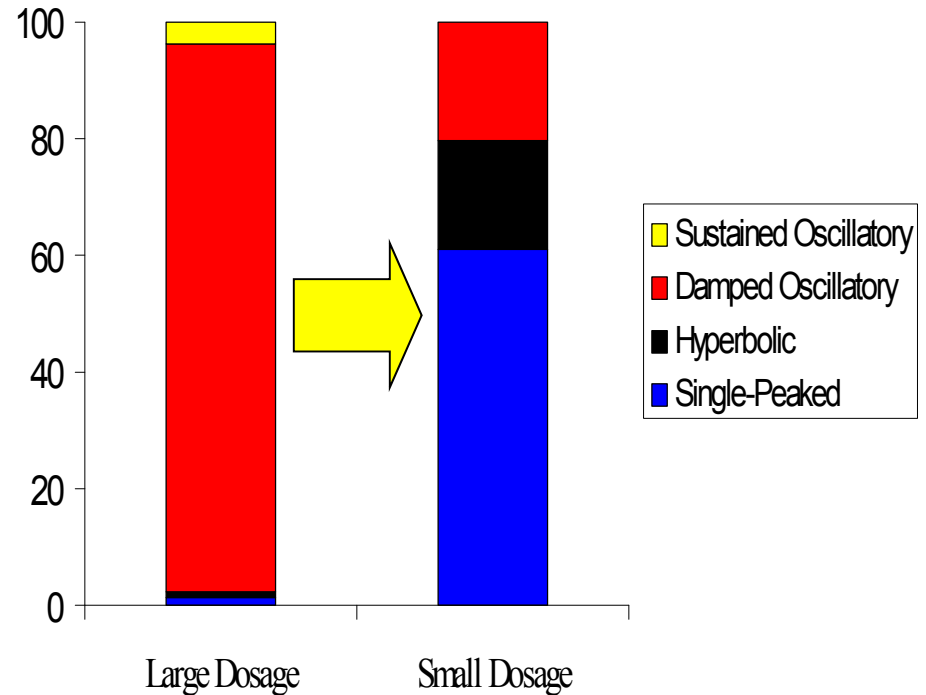
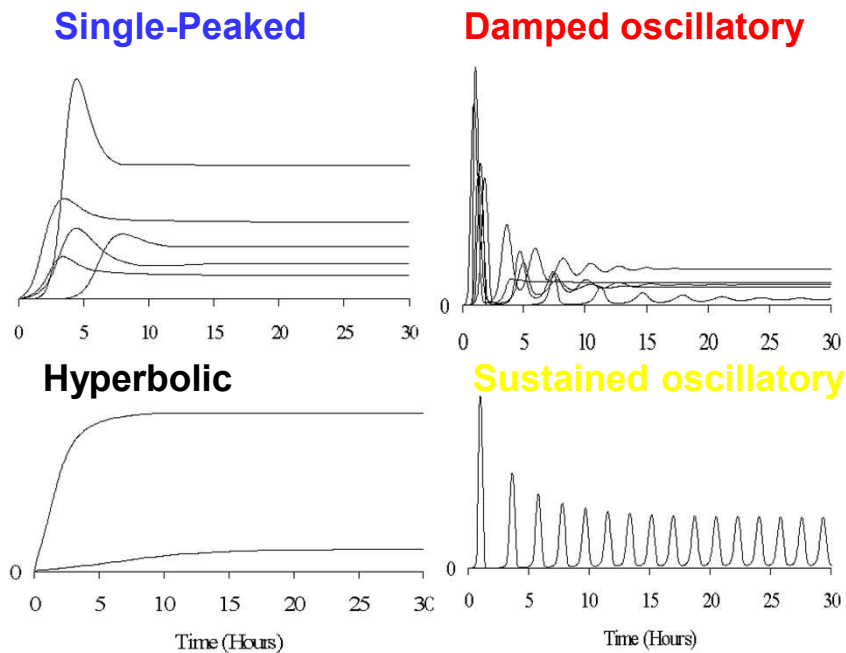
## *NF- $\kappa$ B Response for Macrophages*

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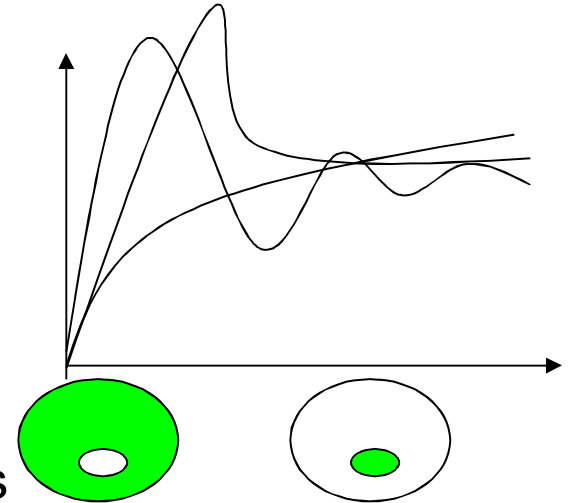
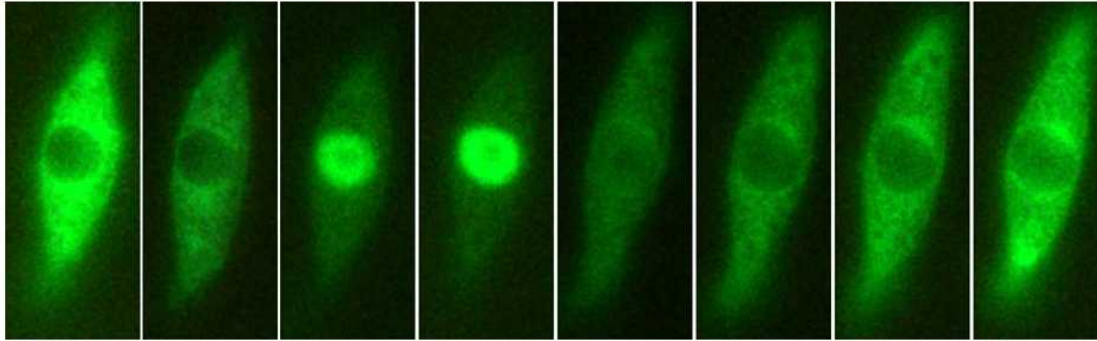
**Does LPS dosage level change the distribution of NF- $\kappa$ B dynamic patterns?**

# *LPS dosage amount changes distribution of dynamic patterns of NF- $\kappa$ B response*

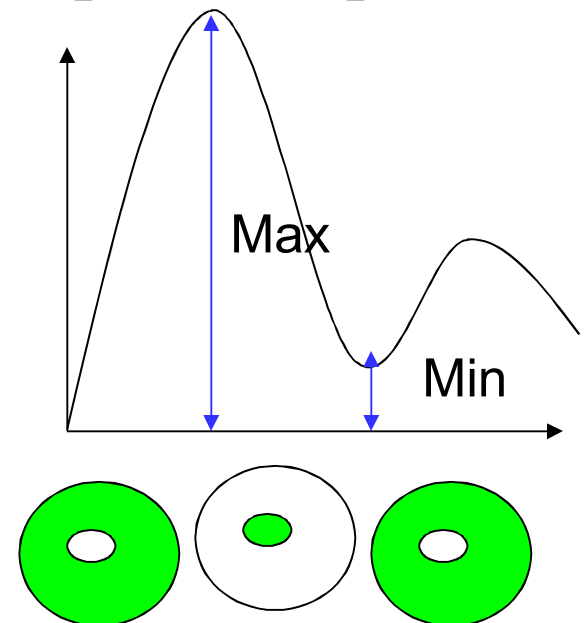
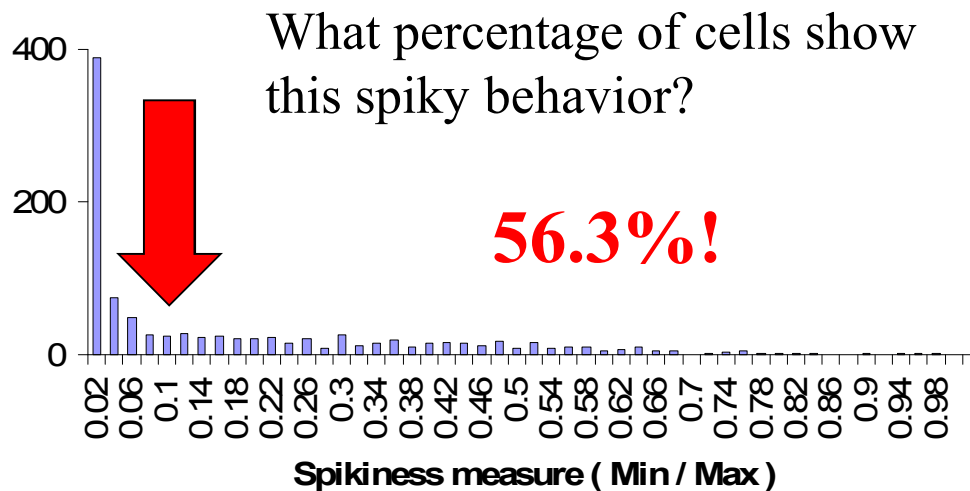


- For large dosage, damped oscillatory pattern is exclusively most probable.
- For small dosage, single-peaked and hyperbolic patterns are most probable.

# Translocation of RelA-GFP in macrophages challenged with LPS



RelA-GFP in and out of nucleus only in 10% of cells



## *NF- $\kappa$ B Response for Macrophages*

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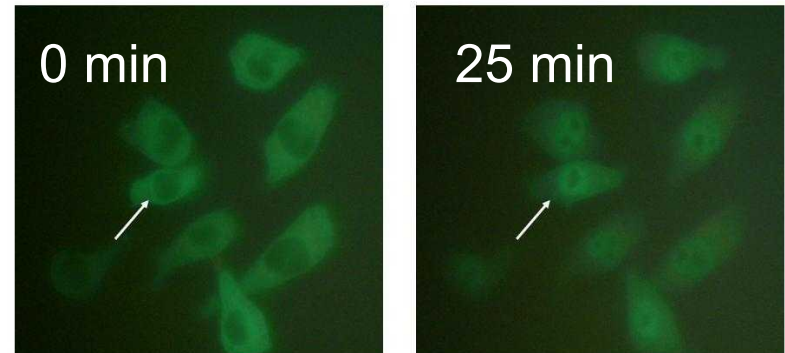
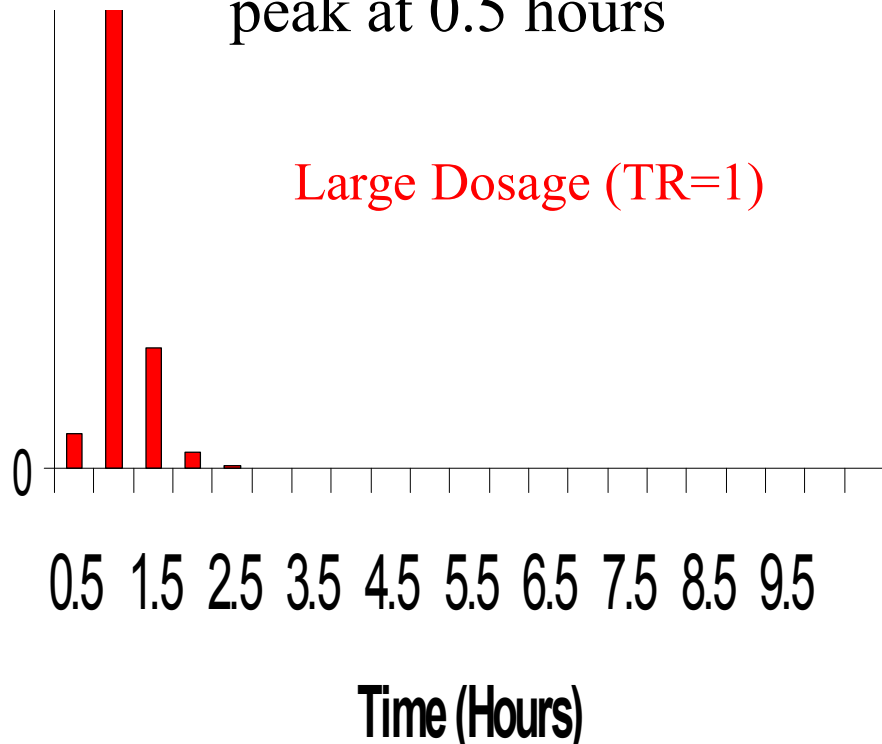
**Does different LPS dosage level affect NF- $\kappa$ B translocation time?**



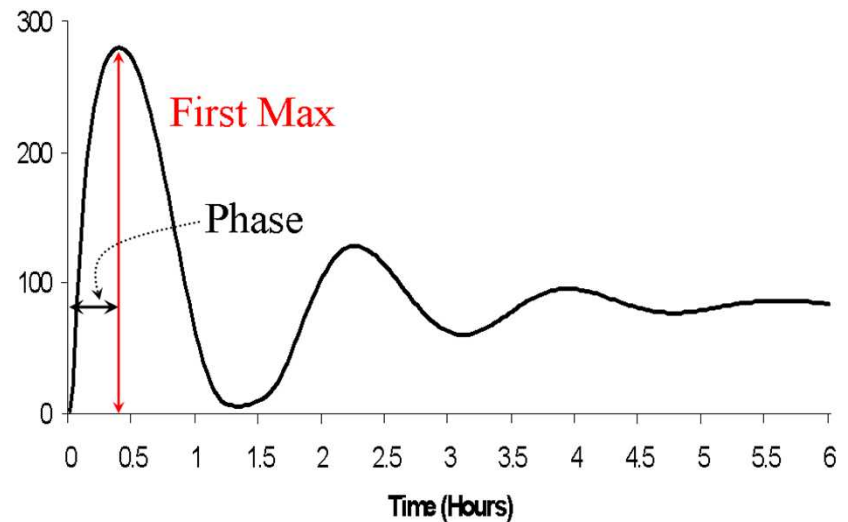
# *Average NF- $\kappa$ B translocation time is equal to a phase of nuclear NF- $\kappa$ B profile*

Distribution of phase:  
peak at 0.5 hours

Large Dosage (TR=1)

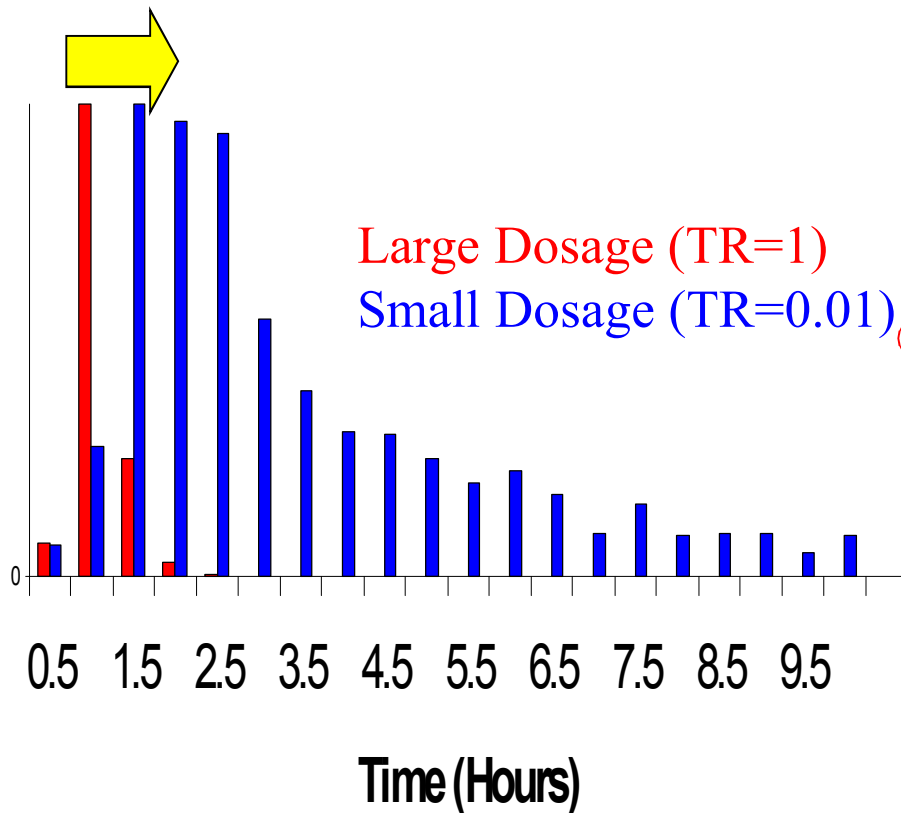


Macrophage stimulated with 1  $\mu$ M  
Y. pesitidis LPS



# *Different LPS dosage amount induces a shift of the distribution of NF- $\kappa$ B translocation time*

Shift from 0.5 hours to 1 hour



LPS	15min	25min	45min	60min	90min
1 $\mu$ M E. coli	X				
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1 $\mu$ M 21°C YP	X				
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1 $\mu$ M 37°C YP		X			
1nM 37°C YP			X		

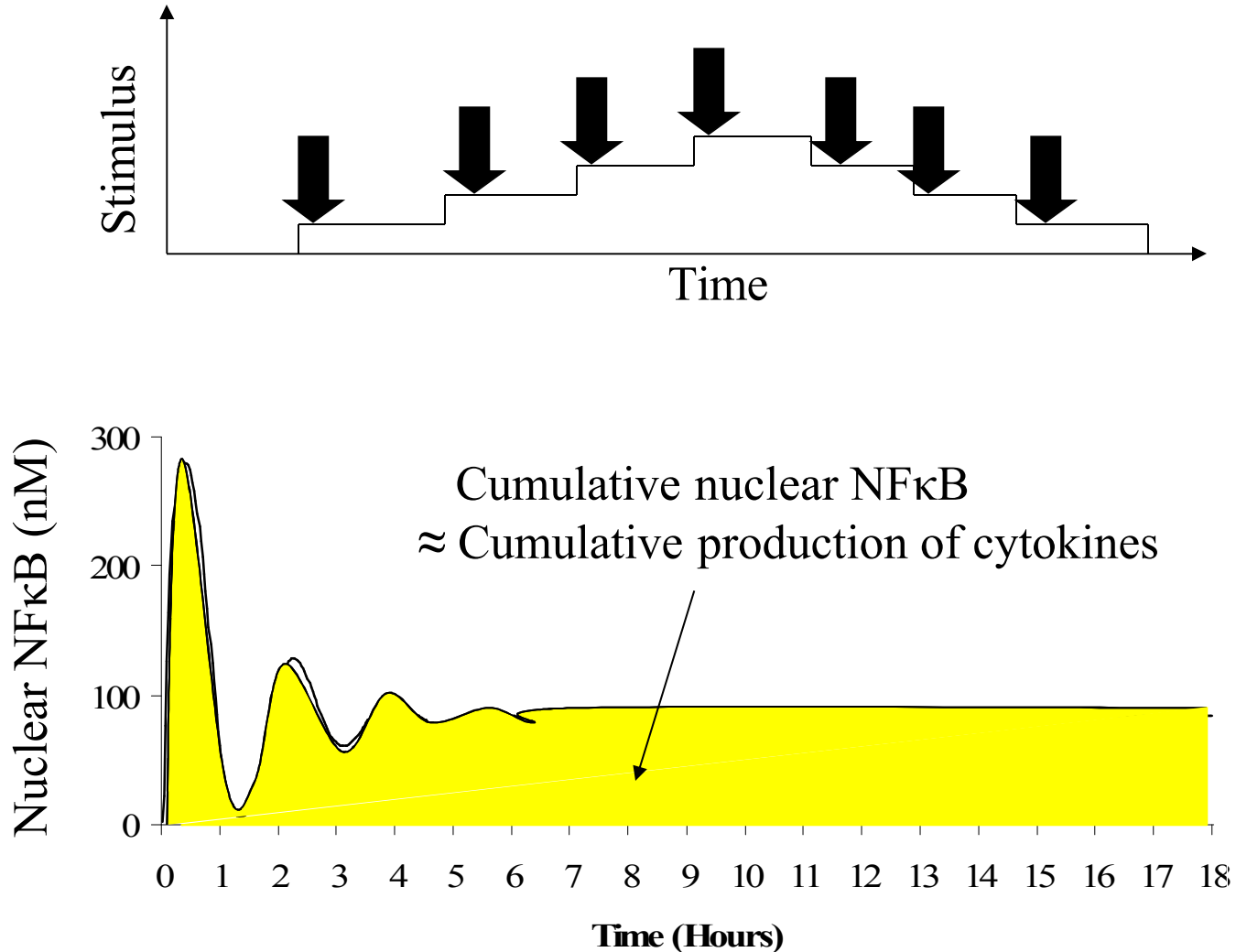
## *NF- $\kappa$ B Response for Macrophages*

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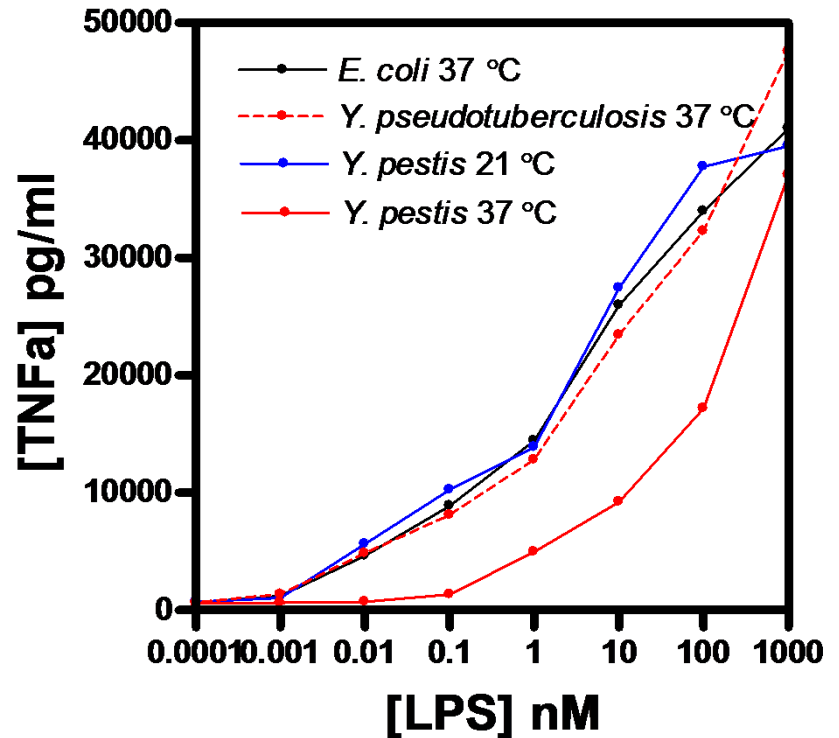
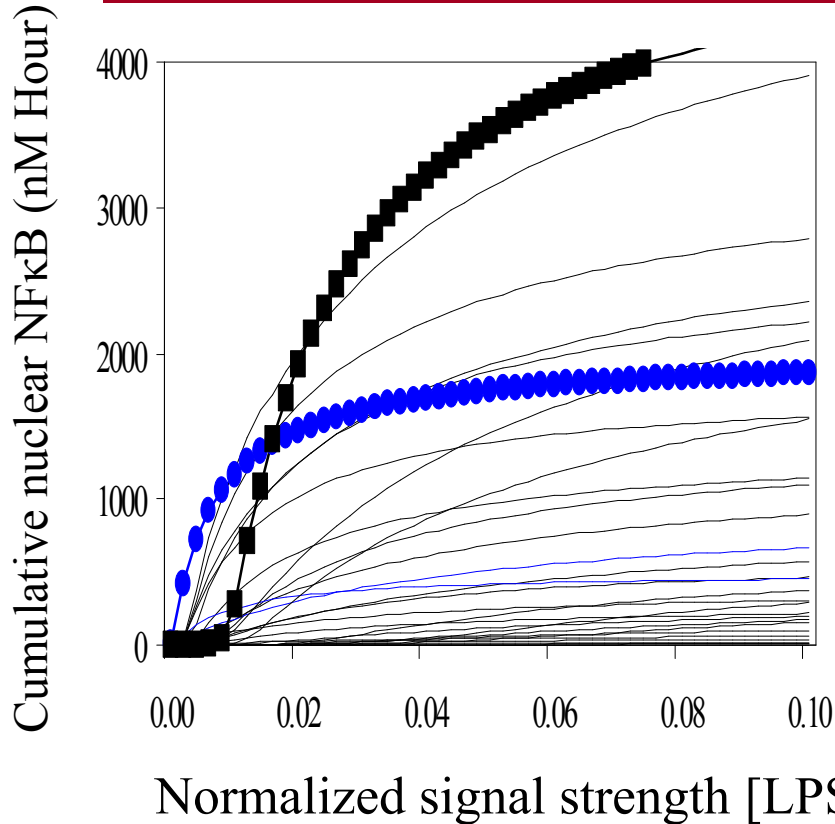
**Question:**

**What is the shape of LPS dose-response curve?**

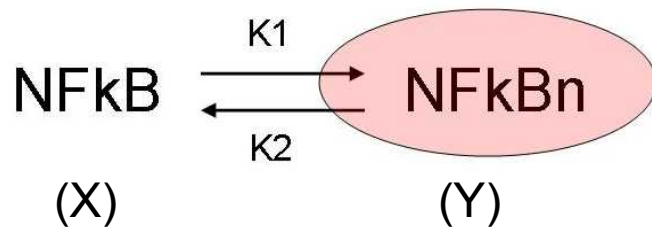
## *NFκB response to different LPS dosage levels*



## Dose-response curve with sigmoidal shape



- Sigmoidal 92%; Hyperbolic 8%; Hysteresis 0%
- Sigmoidal shape == switching behavior of immune response
- No hysteresis == a single steady state and no memory



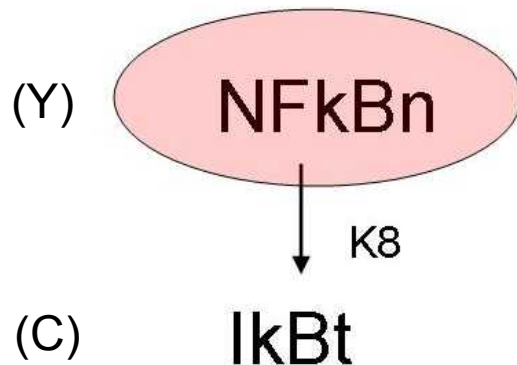
Transition probability per unit time:

$$K1 Vc (NFkB/Vc)$$

$$K2 Vn (NFkBn/Vn)$$

M-equation:

$$\begin{aligned} dP(X,Y)/dt = & K1 (Ex^{(+1)}Ey^{(-1)}-1) X P(X,Y) \\ & + K2 (Ex^{(-1)}Ey^{(+1)}-1) Y P(X,Y) \end{aligned}$$



Transition probability per unit time:

$$K8 Vn (NFkBn/Vn)$$

M-equation:

$$dP(Y,C)/dt = K8 (Ec^{(-1)}-1) Y P(X,Y)$$