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Biological processes performed by proteins interacting with and processing DNA and RNA are key to DNA damage response, chromatin maintenance and cell metabolism. Conventional approaches to study these delicate processes are often affected by the inability to discriminate individual interactions in a larger experimental population, thereby compromising the detection of rare events while resulting in an averaged signal. Therefore, complete understanding of the molecular basis of life strongly benefits from a complimentary single-molecule approach.

In this seminar, we will illustrate the principle of the correlative optical trapping and single molecule fluorescence method (C-Trap) and introduce selected application examples from the field of DNA repair and gene regulation, including

- Recruitment and dynamics of repair complexes to alkyl-DNA lesions [1]
- Insights into structure and dynamics of the CMG helicase [2]
- Glycation of histone proteins and its effect on chromatin architecture [3]
- Role of human replication protein A in the multi-functionality of BLM helicase [4]

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