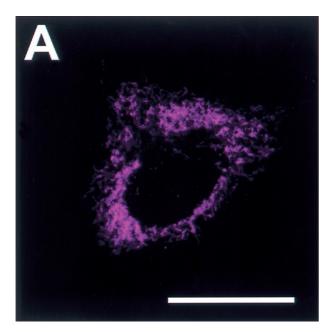
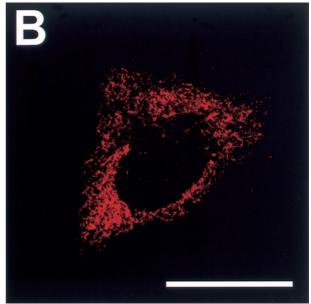
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Aggregation of Mitochondria

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Mitochondrial aggregation induced by co-expression of Green Fluorescent Protein (GFP) and an antiapoptotic factor Bcl-x_L. HeLa cells were co-transfected with cDNA of Bcl-x_L and empty control vector (A and B) or GFP (C, D and E) The cells were double-stained with antibody against Bcl-x_L (A and C) and a mitochondria specific fluorescent dye, MitoTracker Red (B, D and E) E: Higher-magnification of aggregated mitochondria. Note that green fluorescence in D and E is derived from GFP and that the aggregated mitochondria were gathered but not fused (E) Scale bars, 20 µm (A ~ D) and 10 µm (E χ Pictures were modified from those that were published in Biochemical and Biophysical Research Communications 314, 711 716 (2004) Aokage et al.)

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