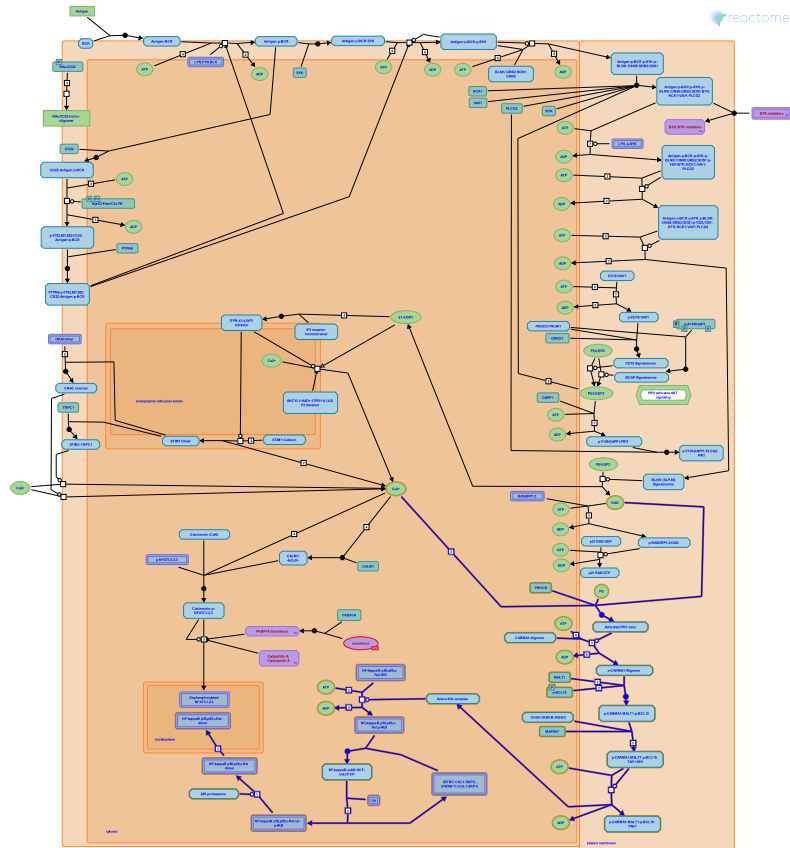


Activation of NF-kappaB in B cells



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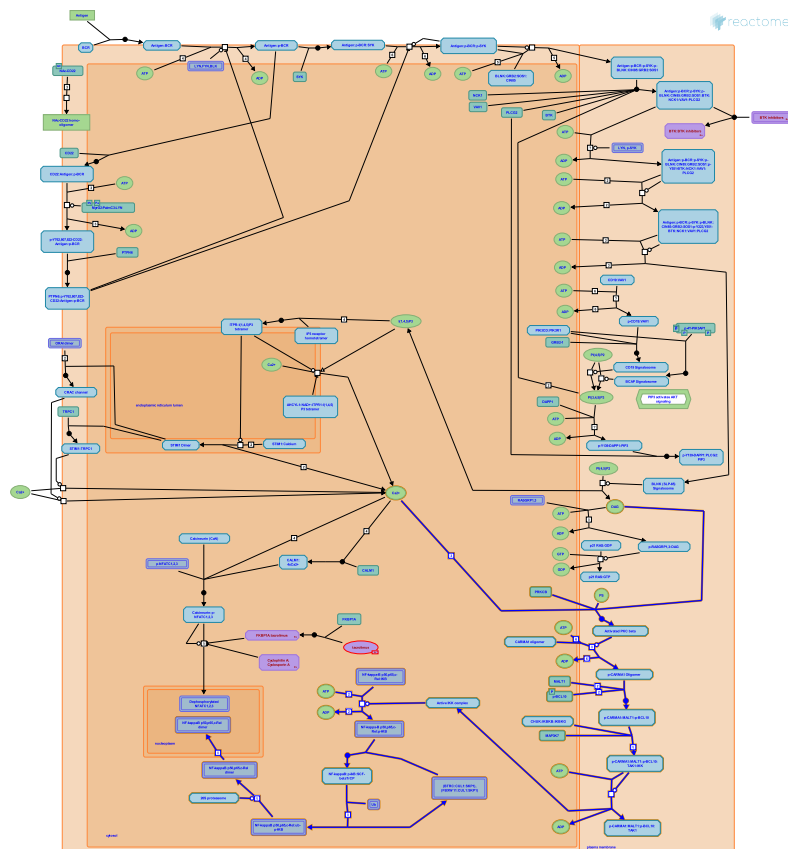
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Activation of NF-kappaB in B cells ↗

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Compartments: cytosol, nucleoplasm, plasma membrane



DAG and calcium activate protein kinase C beta (PKC-beta, Kochs et al. 1991) which phosphorylates CARMA1 and other proteins (Sommer et al. 2005). Phosphorylated CARMA1 recruits BCL10 and MALT1 to form the CBM complex (Sommer et al. 2005, Tanner et al. 2007) which, in turn, recruits the kinase TAK1 and the IKK complex (Sommer et al. 2005, Shinohara et al. 2005 using chicken cells). TAK1 phosphorylates the IKK-beta subunit, activating it (Wang et al. 2001). The IKK complex then phosphorylates I κ B complexed with NF-kappaB dimers in the cytosol (Zandi et al. 1998, Burke et al. 1999, Heilker et al. 1999), resulting in the degradation of I κ B (Miyamoto et al. 1994, Traenckner et al. 1994, Alkalay et al. 1995, DiDonato et al. 1995, Li et al. 1995, Lin et al. 1995, Scherer et al. 1995, Chen et al. 1995). NF-kappaB dimers are thereby released and are translocated to the nucleus where they activate transcription (Baeuerle and Baltimore 1988, Blank et al. 1991, Ghosh et al. 2008, Fagerlund et al. 2008).

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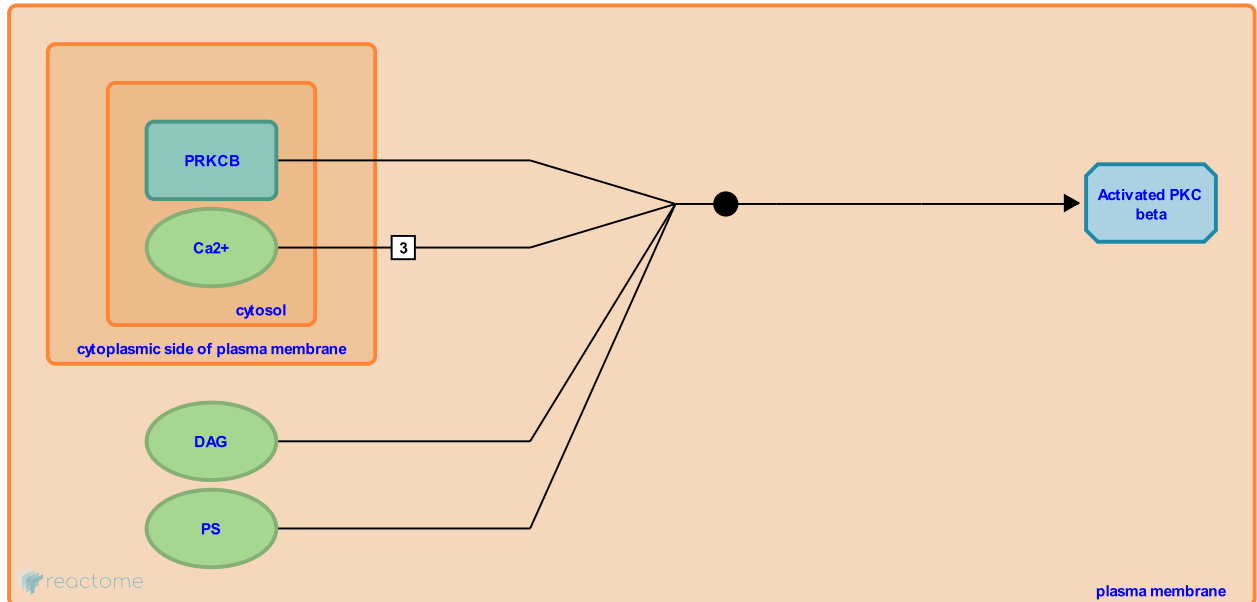
PRKCB (Protein kinase C beta, PKC-beta) binds diacylglycerol and phosphatidylserine ↗

Location: [Activation of NF-kappaB in B cells](#)

Stable identifier: R-HSA-1168373

Type: binding

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



Human Protein kinase C beta (PKC-beta) is activated by calcium ions, diacylglycerol, and binds phosphatidylserine (Kochs et al. 1991). Experiments in mice have shown that knocking out PKC-beta causes severe defects in B cells, leading to the conclusion that PKC-beta is the predominant signaling PKC in these cells (Leitges et al. 1996, Su et al. 2002, Saijo et al. 2002).

Followed by: [PRKCB \(PKC-beta\) phosphorylates CARMA1](#)

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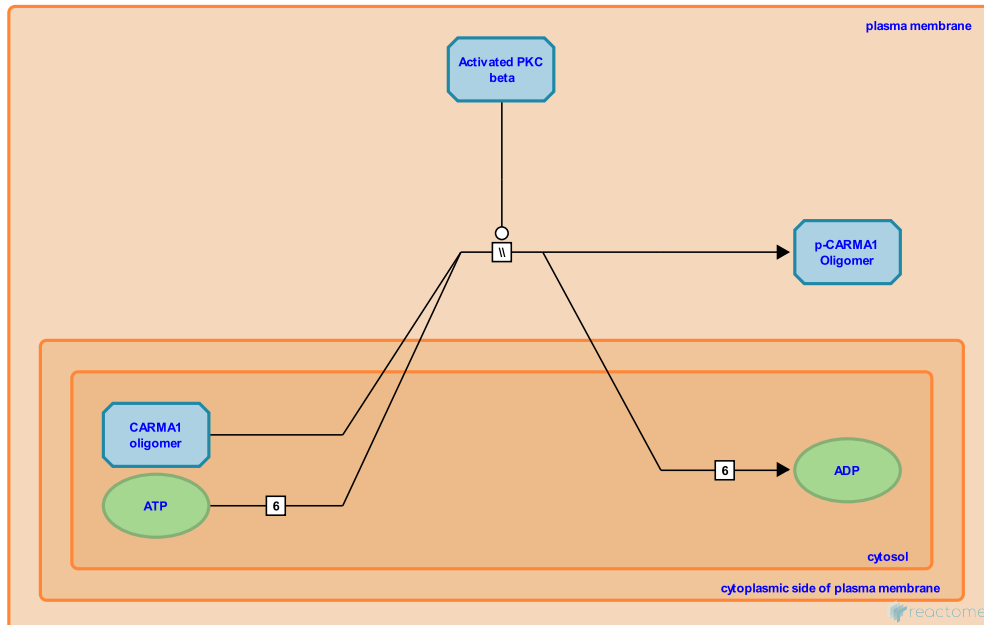
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Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



CARMA1 is phosphorylated at serines 559, 644, and 652 by Protein Kinase C beta (PKC-beta) (Sommer et al. 2005). CARMA1 is constitutively oligomerized (Tanner et al. 2007) and most CARMA1 in unstimulated cells is cytosolic (Sommer et al. 2005, Tanner et al. 2007), though a portion is constitutively associated with the plasma membrane (Gaide et al. 2002, Sommer et al. 2005). After phosphorylation, CARMA1 is associated with lipid rafts in the plasma membrane (Sommer et al. 2005). Note that some publications refer to CARMA1 with a different N-terminal methionine that is 7 amino acids shorter. In this case the phosphorylated serines are 552, 537, and 645.

Preceded by: [PRKCB \(Protein kinase C beta, PKC-beta\) binds diacylglycerol and phosphatidylserine](#)

Followed by: [CARMA1 recruits MALT1 and BCL10 forming CBM Complex](#)

Literature references

Sommer, K., Pomerantz, JL., Rawlings, DJ., Guo, B., Bandaranayake, AD., Ovechkina, YL. et al. (2005). Phosphorylation of the CARMA1 linker controls NF-kappaB activation. *Immunity*, 23, 561-74. ↗

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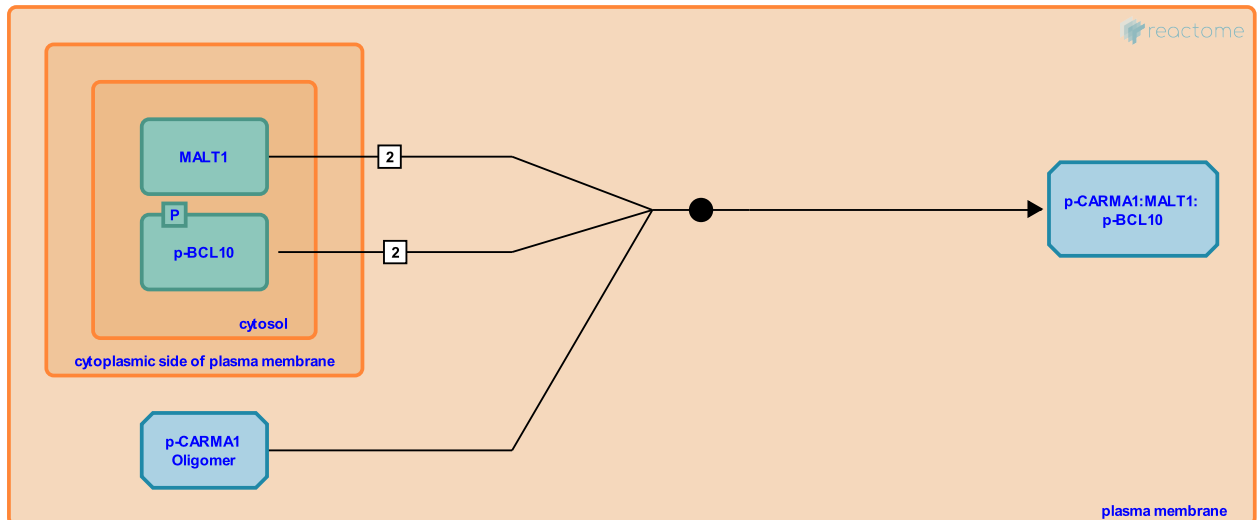
CARMA1 recruits MALT1 and BCL10 forming CBM Complex [↗](#)

Location: [Activation of NF-kappaB in B cells](#)

Stable identifier: R-HSA-1168644

Type: binding

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



CARMA1 is phosphorylated and recruits BCL10 and MALT1 to the plasma membrane to form the CBM complex (Sommer et al. 2005, Tanner et al. 2007). Evidence from T cells (Jurkat cells) indicates that MALT1 and BCL10 oligomerize to activate the IKK complex (Zhou 2004).

Preceded by: [PRKCB \(PKC-beta\) phosphorylates CARMA1](#)

Followed by: [CARMA1:BCL10:MALT1 complex recruits TAK1 and IKK](#)

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CARMA1:BCL10:MALT1 complex recruits TAK1 and IKK ↗

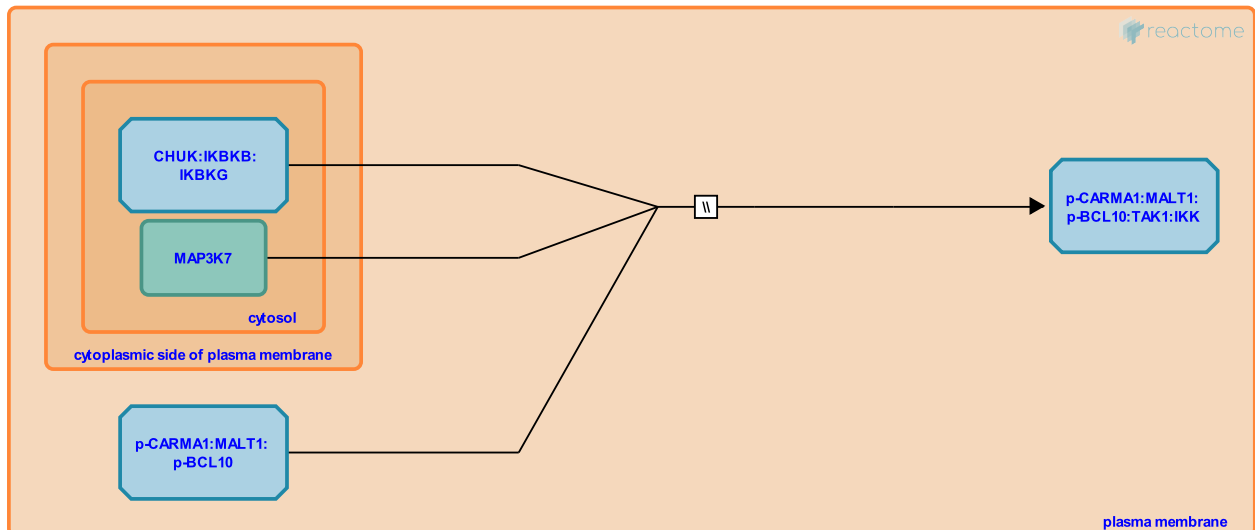
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Type: omitted

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol

Inferred from: [CARMA1 recruits TAK1 and the IKK complex \(Gallus gallus\)](#)



TAK1 and the IKK complex are observed to migrate from the cytosol to lipid rafts containing the CARMA1:BCL10:MALT1 (CBM) complex (Sommer et al. 2005, Shinohara et al. 2005 using chicken cells). By analogy with activation of NF-KappaB signaling in T cells, TAK1 in B cells may also be bound to TAB1 and TAB2 or TAB3, which bind K63-conjugated polyubiquitin on a TRAF protein bound to the CBM complex (reviewed in Shinohara et al. 2009).

Preceded by: [CARMA1 recruits MALT1 and BCL10 forming CBM Complex](#)

Followed by: [TAK1 associated with the CBM complex phosphorylates IKKbeta](#)

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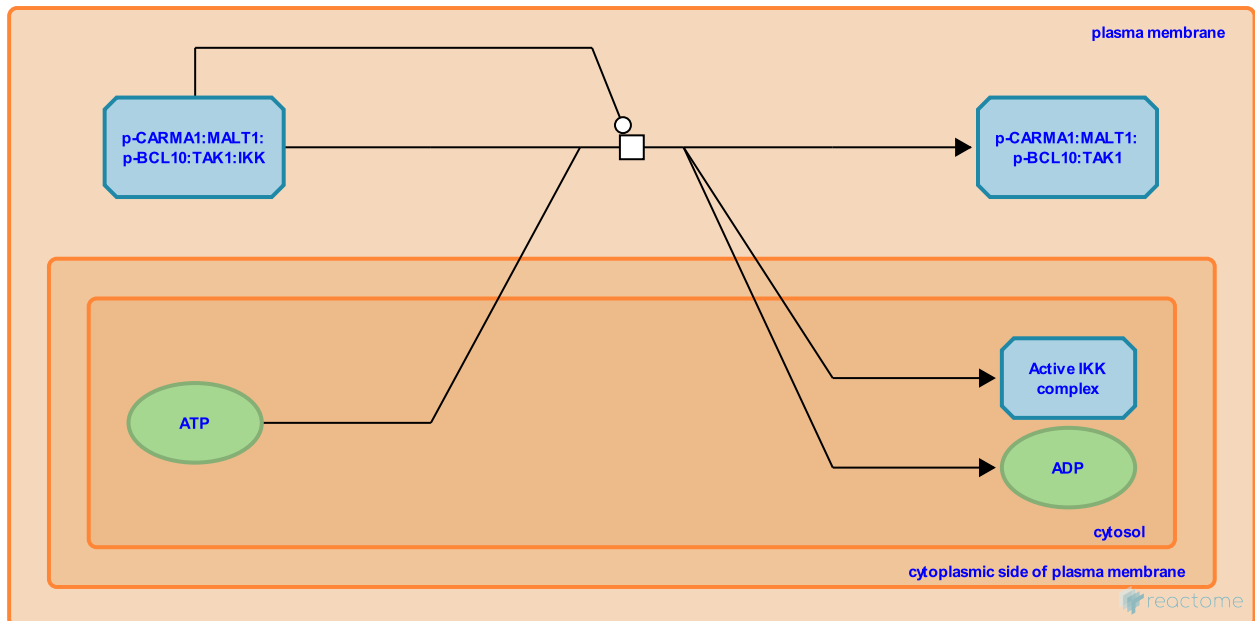
Location: Activation of NF-kappaB in B cells

Stable identifier: R-HSA-1168641

Type: transition

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol

Inferred from: Phosphorylation of IKKs complex by activated TAK1 (*Gallus gallus*), Activated TAK1 mediates phosphorylation of the IKK Complex (*Homo sapiens*)



TAK1 phosphorylates IKK-beta (Wang et al. 2001). As inferred from chicken B cells, the reaction in human B cells may occur when TAK1 and the IKK complex are associated with the CARMA1:BCL10:MALT1 (CBM) complex. During T cell activation TAK1 forms a complex with TAB1 and TAB2, which binds K-63 conjugated polyubiquitin attached to TRAF6 associated with the CBM complex (Sun et al. 2004, reviewed in Shinohara et al. 2009). TRAF6 also polyubiquitinates IKK-gamma in T cells (Zhou et al. 2004). B cells contain functional TRAF6 and TRAF2 (Zhang et al. 2010) so the same mechanism may occur during activation of B cells.

Preceded by: CARMA1:BCL10:MALT1 complex recruits TAK1 and IKK

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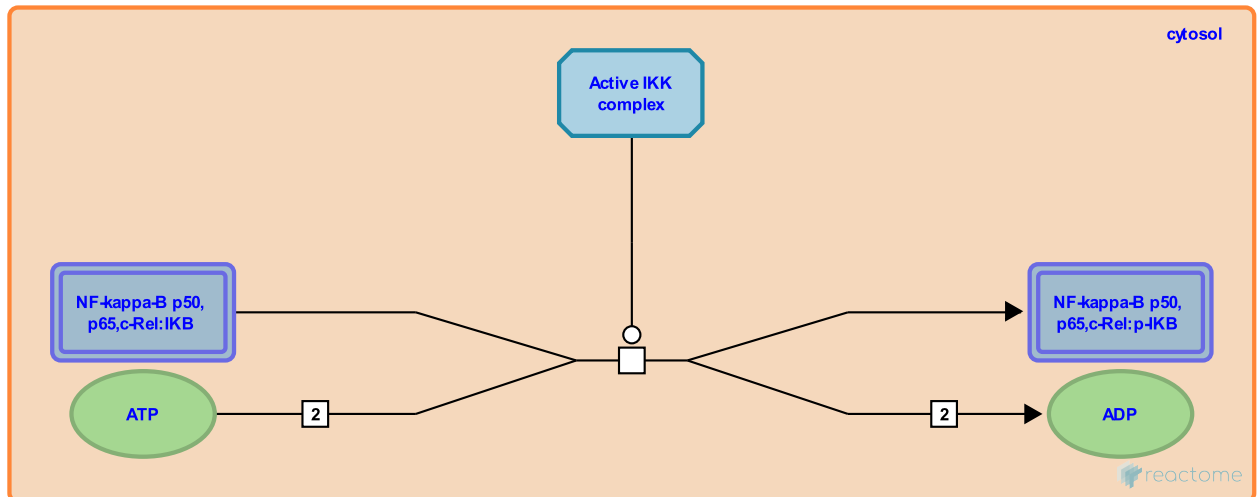
Activated IKK phosphorylates I-kappaB ↗

Location: [Activation of NF-kappaB in B cells](#)

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Type: transition

Compartments: cytosol



Activated IKK complex phosphorylates the I-kappaB component of the cytoplasmic NF-kappaB complex (Zandi et al. 1998, Burke et al. 1999, Heilker et al. 1999). B cells contain I-kappaB-alpha, I-kappaB-beta, and I-kappaB-epsilon (Whiteside et al. 1997, Li and Nabel 1997).

Preceded by: [TAK1 associated with the CBM complex phosphorylates IKKbeta](#)

Followed by: [SCF with beta-TrCP1 or beta-TrCP2 binds NF-kappaB:phospho-IkB](#)

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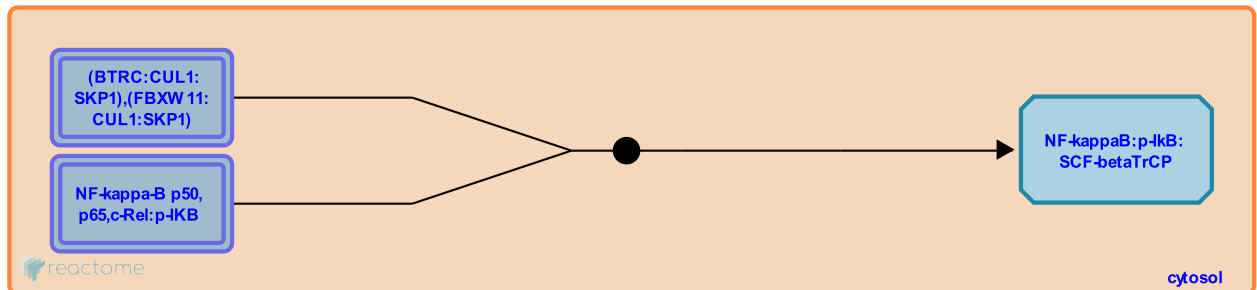
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Location: [Activation of NF-kappaB in B cells](#)

Stable identifier: R-HSA-1168642

Type: binding

Compartments: cytosol



SKP:Cul:F-box (SCF) complexes containing F-box factors Beta-TrCP1 (BTRCP, E3RSIkappaB) or beta-TrCP2 (BTRCP2, FBXW11, HOS) bind IkappaB (Yaron et al. 1998, Fuchs et al. 1999, Suzuki et al. 1999, Tan et al. 1999, Winston et al. 1999, Wu and Ghosh 1999).

Preceded by: [Activated IKK phosphorylates I-kappaB](#)

Followed by: [SCF-beta-TrCP ubiquitinylates IkB](#)

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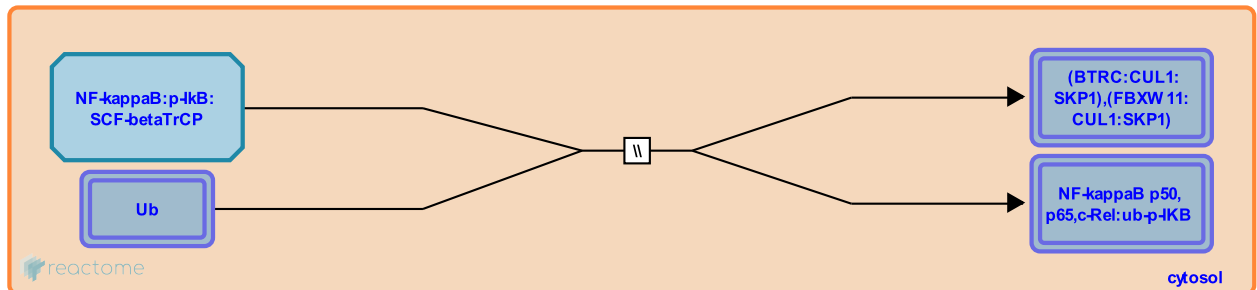
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Type: omitted

Compartments: cytosol



SKP:Cul:F-box (SCF) complexes containing F-box factors Beta-TrCP1 (BTRCP, E3RSIκappaB) or beta-TrCP2 (BTRCP2, FBXW11, HOS) catalyze the polyubiquitination of IκappaB (Yaron et al. 1998, Fuchs et al. 1999, Suzuki et al. 1999, Tan et al. 1999, Winston et al. 1999, Wu and Ghosh 1999).

Preceded by: [SCF with beta-TrCP1 or beta-TrCP2 binds NF-kappaB:phospho-IκB](#)

Followed by: [Ubiquitinated IκB is degraded](#)

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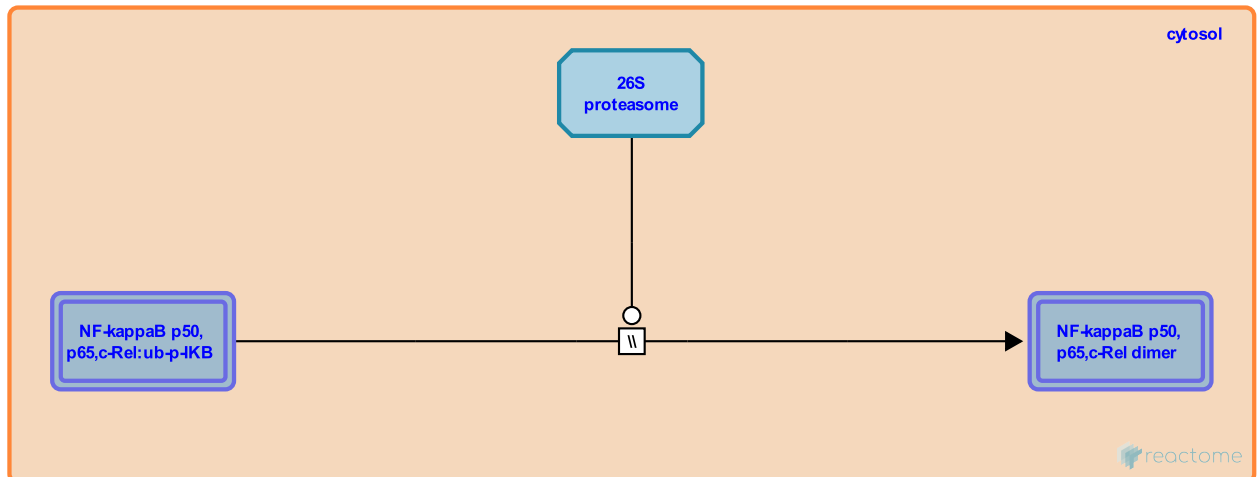
Ubiquitinated IκB is degraded ↗

Location: [Activation of NF-kappaB in B cells](#)

Stable identifier: R-HSA-1168640

Type: omitted

Compartments: cytosol



Phosphorylated, ubiquitinated IκB is degraded by the proteasome (Miyamoto et al. 1994, Traenckner et al. 1994, Alkalay et al. 1995, DiDonato et al. 1995, Li et al. 1995, Lin et al. 1995, Scherer et al. 1995, Chen et al. 1995). IκB does not dissociate from NF-κB before it is proteolyzed (Miyamoto et al. 1994, Traenckner et al. 1994, DiDonato et al. 1995, Lin et al. 1995).

Preceded by: [SCF-beta-TrCP ubiquitinylates IκB](#)

Followed by: [NF-kappaB translocates from the cytosol to the nucleus](#)

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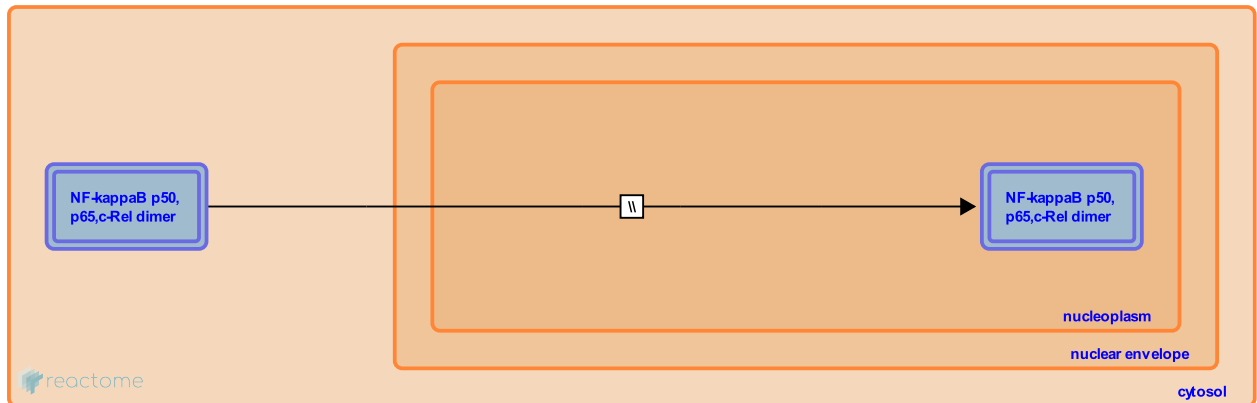
NF-kappaB translocates from the cytosol to the nucleus ↗

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Type: omitted

Compartments: nucleoplasm, cytosol



Nf-kappaB subunits contain nuclear localization sequences and, in the absence of I κ B, are translocated to the nucleus (Bauerle and Baltimore 1988, Blank et al. 1991, Ghosh et al. 2008, Fagerlund et al. 2008). c-Rel binds to importins alpha5, alpha6, and alpha7; RelB binds to importins alpha5 and alpha6; p52 binds importin alpha3, alpha4, alpha5, and alpha6 (Fagerlund et al. 2008)

Preceded by: [Ubiquitinated I \$\kappa\$ B is degraded](#)

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