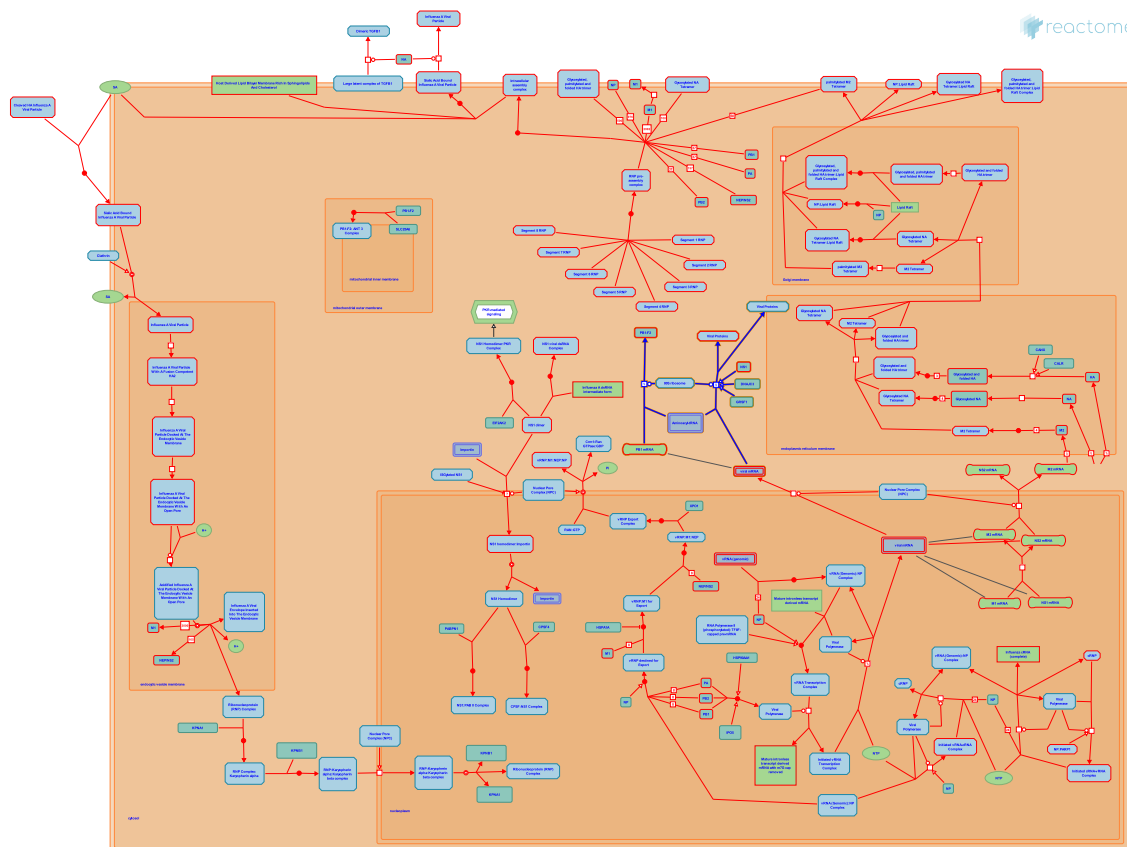


Viral mRNA Translation



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Introduction

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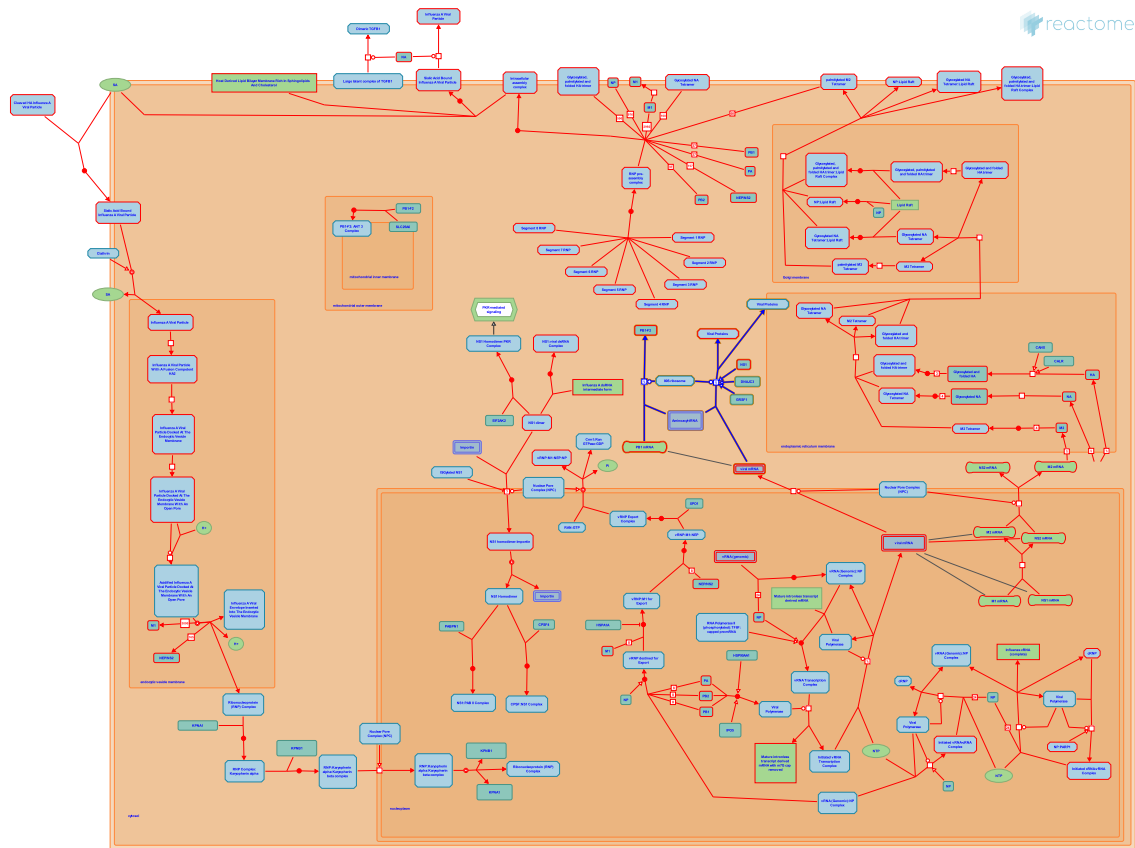
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Viral mRNA Translation ↗

Stable identifier: R-HSA-192823

Compartments: cytosol

Diseases: influenza



Spliced and unspliced viral mRNA in the cytoplasm are translated by host cell ribosomal translation machinery (reviewed in Kash, 2006). At least ten viral proteins are synthesized: HA, NA, PB1, PB2, PA, NP, NS1, NEP/NS2, M1, and M2. Viral mRNA translation is believed to be enhanced by conserved 5'UTR sequences that interact with the ribosomal machinery and at least one cellular RNA-binding protein, G-rich sequence factor 1 (GRSF-1), has been found to specifically interact with the viral 5' UTRs. (Park, 1995; Park, 1999). The viral NS1 protein and the cellular protein P58(IPK) enhance viral translation indirectly by preventing the activation of the translational inhibitor PKR (Salvatore, 2002; Goodman, 2006). The viral NS1 protein has also been proposed to specifically enhance translation through interaction with host poly(A)-binding protein 1 (PABP1) (Burgui, 2003). Simultaneously, host cell protein synthesis is downregulated in influenza virus infection through still uncharacterized mechanisms (Katze, 1986; Garfinkel, 1992; Kash, 2006). In most human influenza A strains (such as PR8), the PB1 mRNA segment is capable of producing a second protein, PB1-F2, from a short +1 open reading frame initiating downstream of the PB1 ORF initiation codon (Chen, 2001).

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Synthesis of PB1-F2 ↗

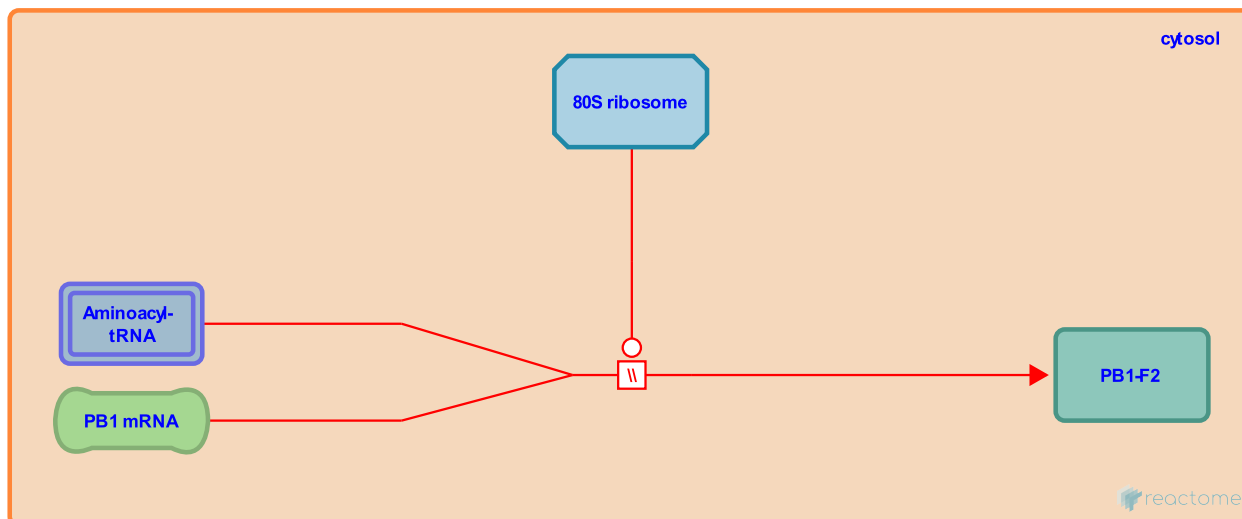
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Compartments: cytosol

Diseases: influenza



For most influenza A strains (such as PR8), the PB1 mRNA segment produces a second protein, PB1-F2, from the +1 open reading frame (Chen, 2001). PB1-F2 is a pro-apoptotic, mitochondria-localized protein (Chen, 2001; Gibbs, 2003) that oligomerizes (Bruns, 2007) and sensitizes cells to death in concert with the mitochondrial ANT3 and VDAC proteins (Zamarin, 2005).

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Viral Protein Synthesis ↗

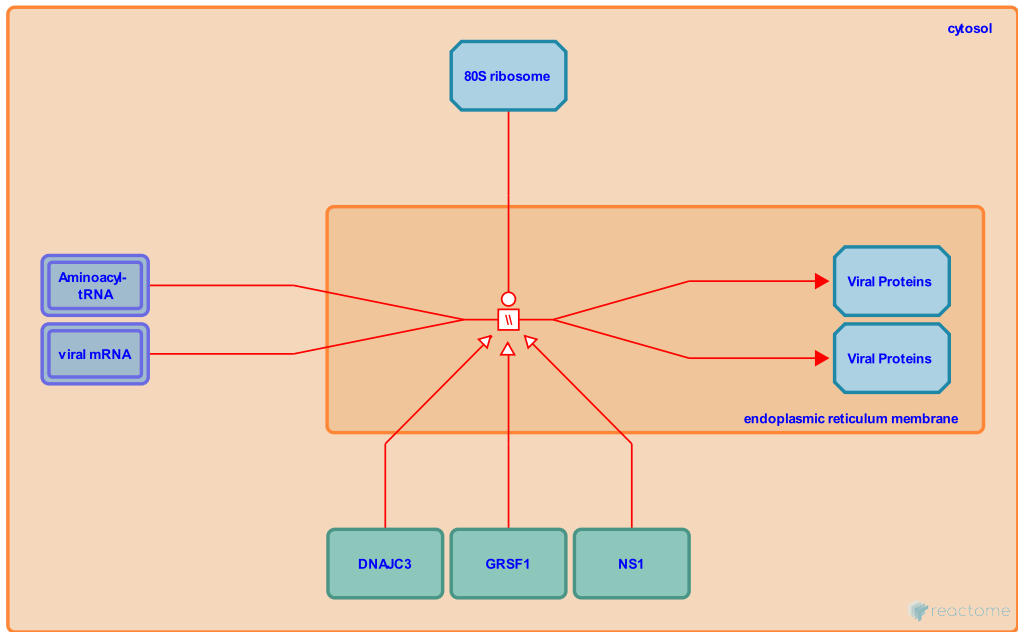
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Stable identifier: R-HSA-192841

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Compartments: endoplasmic reticulum membrane, cytosol

Diseases: influenza



Spliced and unspliced viral mRNA exported into the cytoplasm are translated by the host cell ribosomal translation machinery (reviewed in Kash, 2006). At least ten viral proteins are synthesized: HA, NA, PB1, PB2, PA, NP, NS1, NEP/NS2 (from spliced NS mRNA), M1, and M2 (from spliced M mRNA). The abundance of each of these proteins is thought to be controlled by differential mRNA abundances and stability (Tekamp, 1980; Hatada, 1989). As the localization of the nascent polypeptides is different between viral proteins with transmembrane domains (HA, NA and M2, which translocate to the ER and are transported through the Golgi to the plasma membrane) and soluble viral proteins (such as NP, the polymerase subunits, and NS1), mechanisms linking the translation of particular viral mRNA with subsequent protein localization rely on signal sequences recognized by the cell.

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