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## Introduction

Reactome is open-source, open access, manually curated and peer-reviewed pathway database. Pathway annotations are authored by expert biologists, in collaboration with Reactome editorial staff and cross-referenced to many bioinformatics databases. A system of evidence tracking ensures that all assertions are backed up by the primary literature. Reactome is used by clinicians, geneticists, genomics researchers, and molecular biologists to interpret the results of high-throughput experimental studies, by bioinformaticians seeking to develop novel algorithms for mining knowledge from genomic studies, and by systems biologists building predictive models of normal and disease variant pathways.

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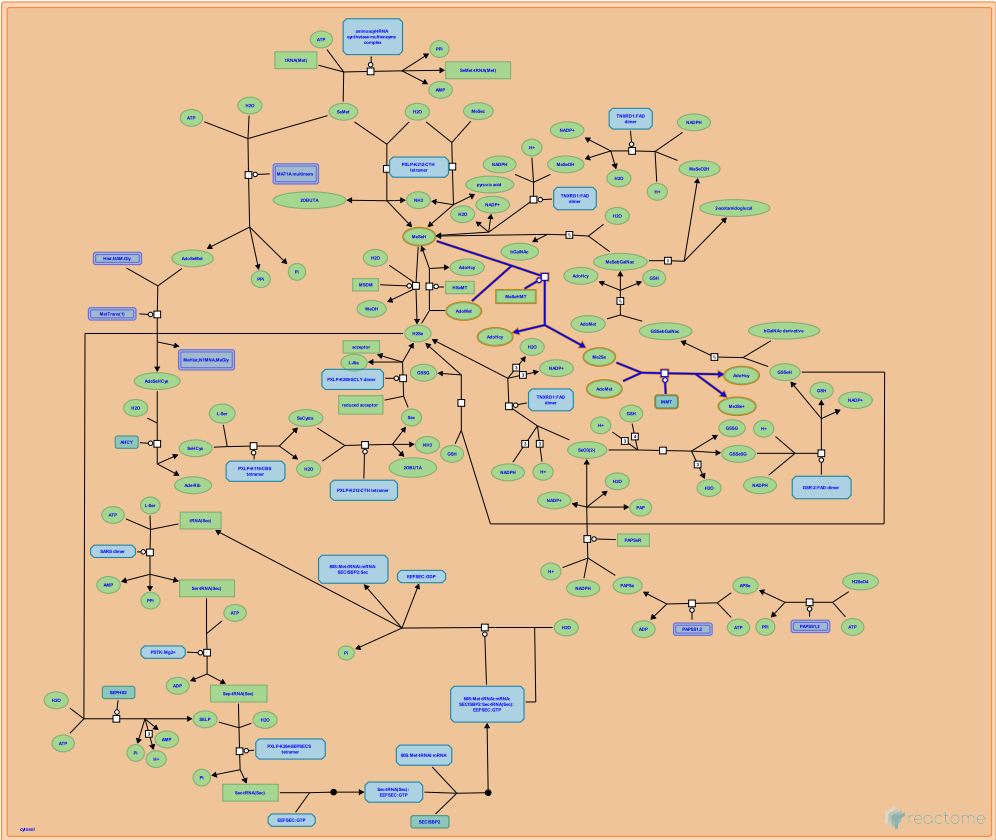
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This document contains 1 pathway and 2 reactions ([see Table of Contents](#))

# Methylation of MeSeH for excretion ↗

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Methylselenol (MeSeH) is further methylated to dimethylselenide (Me<sub>2</sub>Se) and trimethylselenonium (Me<sub>3</sub>Se<sup>+</sup>) for excretion.

## Literature references

Suzuki, KT., Ohta, Y. (2008). Methylation and demethylation of intermediates selenide and methylselenol in the metabolism of selenium. *Toxicol. Appl. Pharmacol.*, 226, 169-77. ↗

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## MeSeH is methylated to Me2Se by MeSeH methyltransferase ↗

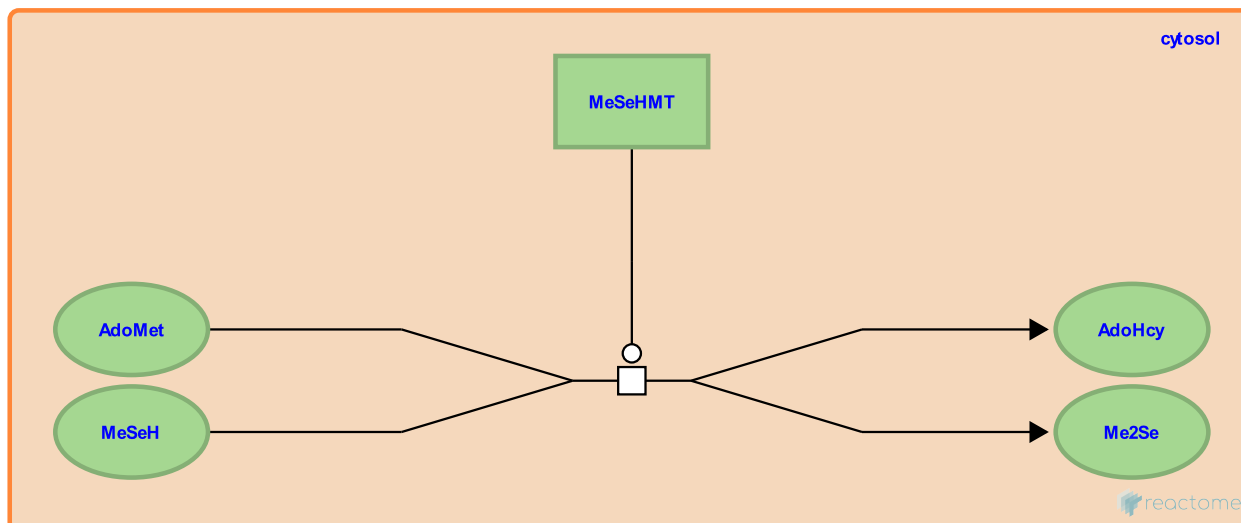
**Location:** [Methylation of MeSeH for excretion](#)

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-2408541

**Type:** transition

**Compartments:** cytosol

**Inferred from:** [MeSeH is methylated to Me2Se by MeSeH methyltransferase \(Rattus norvegicus\)](#)



A yet to be identified enzyme with methylselenol methyltransferase (MeSeHMT) activity is involved in the methylation of methylselenol aka methaneselenol (MeSeH) into dimethyl selenide (Me2Se) in tandem with S-adenosylmethionine (AdoMet) transforming into S-adenosylhomocysteine (AdoHcy). This reaction is inferred from the event in rat (Ohta and Suzuki 2008, Hsieh and Ganther 1977).

**Followed by:** [Me2Se is methylated to Me3Se+ by INMT](#)

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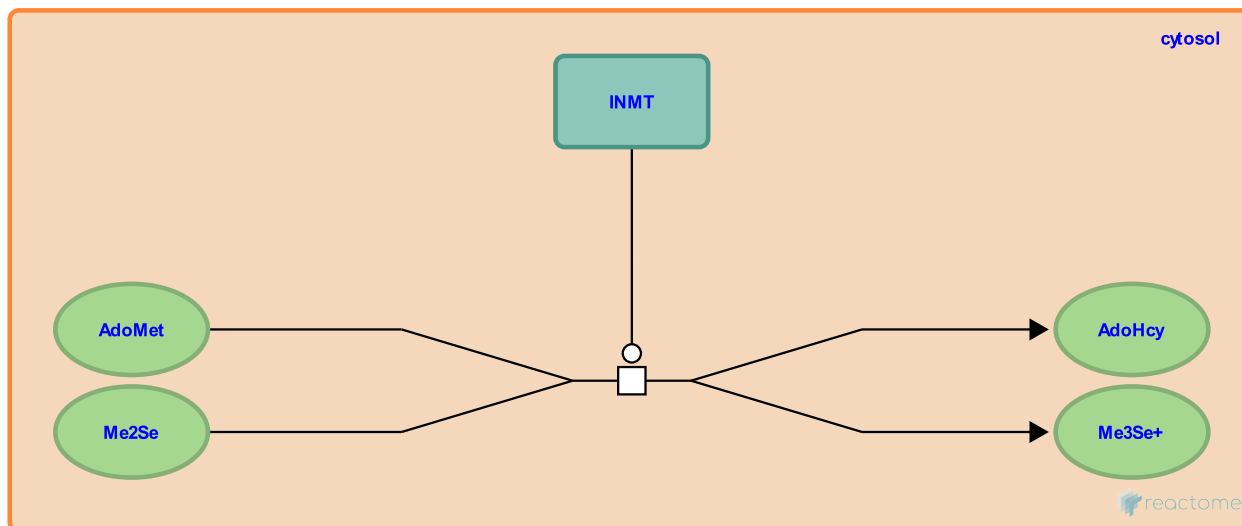
**Location:** [Methylation of MeSeH for excretion](#)

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-2408554

**Type:** transition

**Compartments:** cytosol

**Inferred from:** [Me2Se is methylated to Me3Se+ by Inmt \(Mus musculus\)](#)



Indolethylamine N-methyltransferase (INMT) is involved in the methylation of dimethyl selenide (Me<sub>2</sub>Se) into trimethylselenonium (Me<sub>3</sub>Se<sup>+</sup>) in tandem with S-adenosylmethionine (AdoMet) transforming into S-adenosylhomocysteine (AdoHcy). This reaction is inferred from the event in mouse (Mozier et al. 1988).

**Preceded by:** [MeSeH is methylated to Me2Se by MeSeH methyltransferase](#)

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