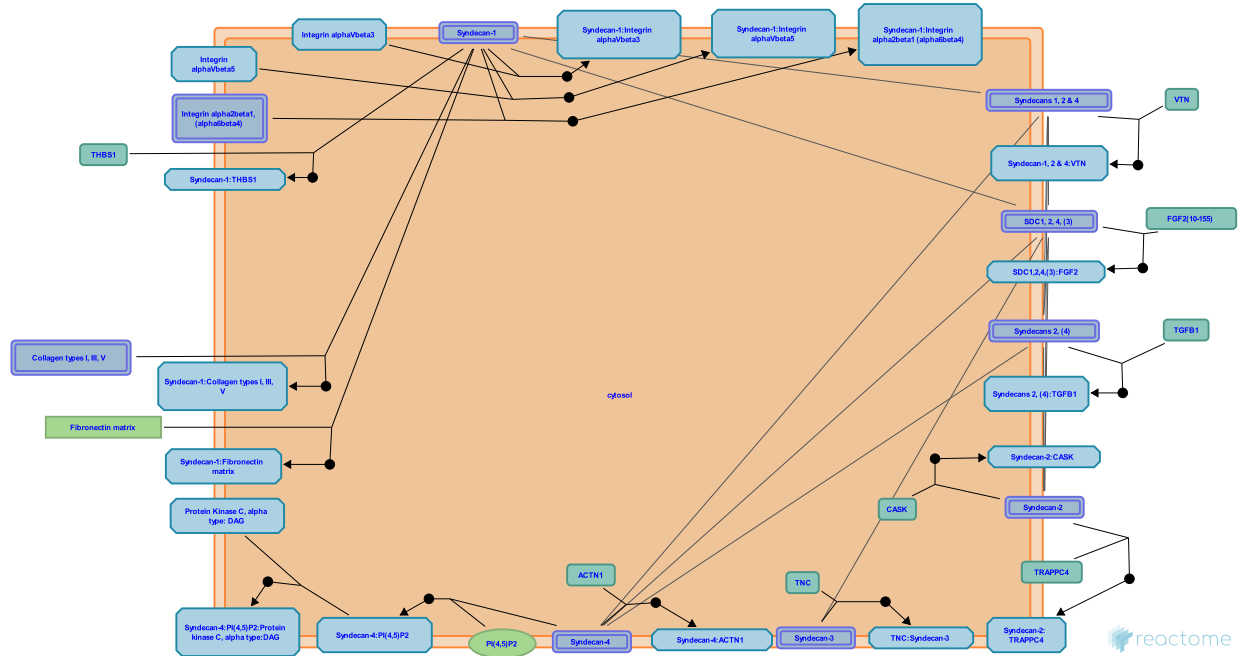


Syndecan interactions



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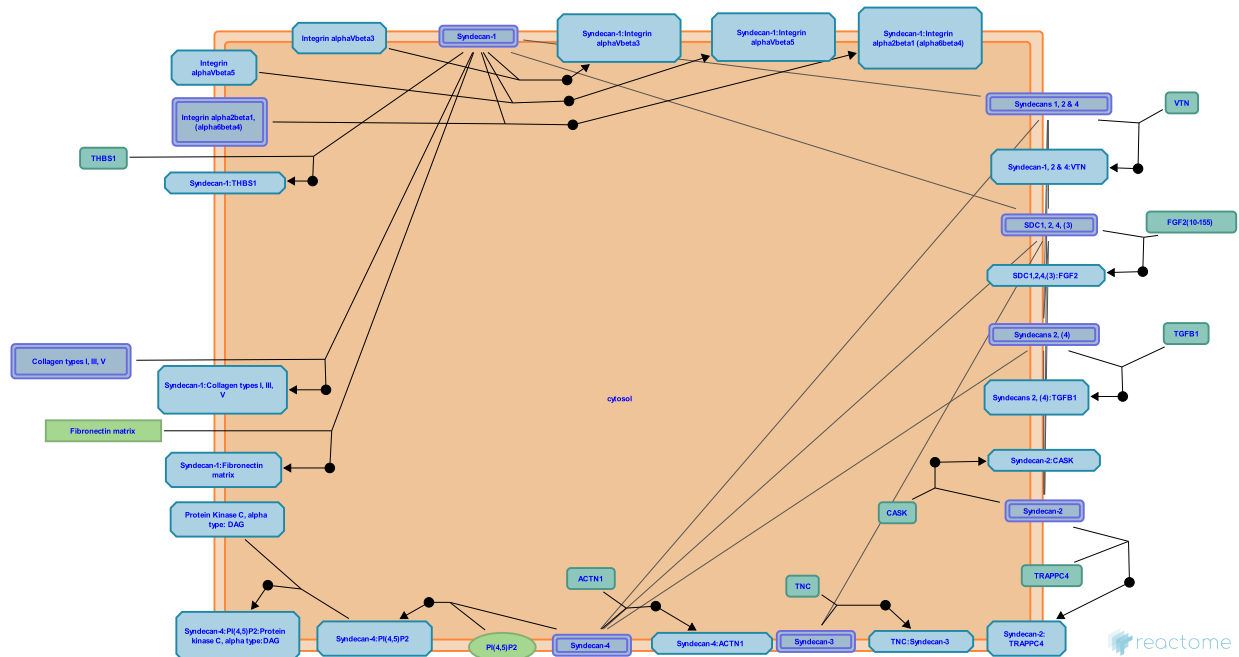
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Syndecans are type I transmembrane proteins, with an N-terminal ectodomain that contains several consensus sequences for glycosaminoglycan (GAG) attachment and a short C-terminal cytoplasmic domain. Syndecan-1 and -3 GAG attachment sites occur in two distinct clusters, one near the N-terminus and the other near the membrane-attachment site, separated by a proline and threonine-rich 'spacer'. Syndecan ectodomain sequences are poorly conserved in the family and between species, but the transmembrane and cytoplasmic domains are highly conserved. Syndecan-1 and -3 form a subfamily. Syndecan core proteins form dimers (Choi et al. 2007) and at least syndecan-3 and -4 form oligomers (Asundi & Carey 1995, Shin et al. 2012). Syndecan-1 is the major syndecan of epithelial cells including vascular endothelium. Syndecan-2 is present mostly in mesenchymal, neuronal and smooth muscle cells. Syndecan-3 is the major syndecan of the nervous system, while syndecan-4 is ubiquitously expressed but at lower levels than the other syndecans (refs in Alexopoulou et al. 2007). The core syndecan protein has three to five heparan sulfate or chondroitin sulfate chains, which interact with a variety of ligands including fibroblast growth factors, vascular endothelial growth factor, transforming growth factor-beta, fibronectin, collagen, vitronectin and several integrins. Syndecans may act as integrin coreceptors. Interactions between fibronectin and syndecans are modulated by tenascin-C. Syndecans bind a wide variety of soluble and insoluble ligands, including extracellular matrix components, cell adhesion molecules, growth factors, cytokines, and proteinases. As the cleaved ectodomains of syndecans retain the ability to bind ligands, ectodomain shedding is a mechanism for releasing soluble effectors that may compete for ligands with their cell-bound counterparts (Kainulainen et al. 1998). Shed ectodomains are found in inflammatory fluids (Subramanian et al. 1997) and may induce the proliferation of cancer cells (Maeda et al. 2004).

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Syndecan-1 binds Integrin alphaVbeta3 [↗](#)

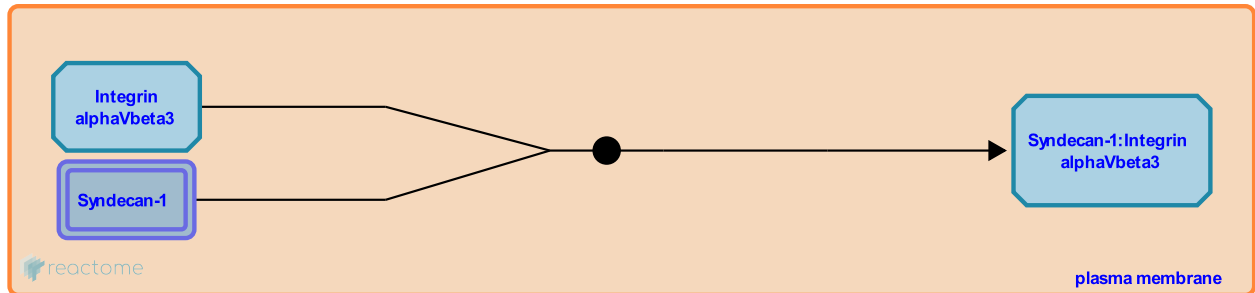
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Compartments: plasma membrane

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Syndecan-1 binds Integrin alphaVbeta5 ↗

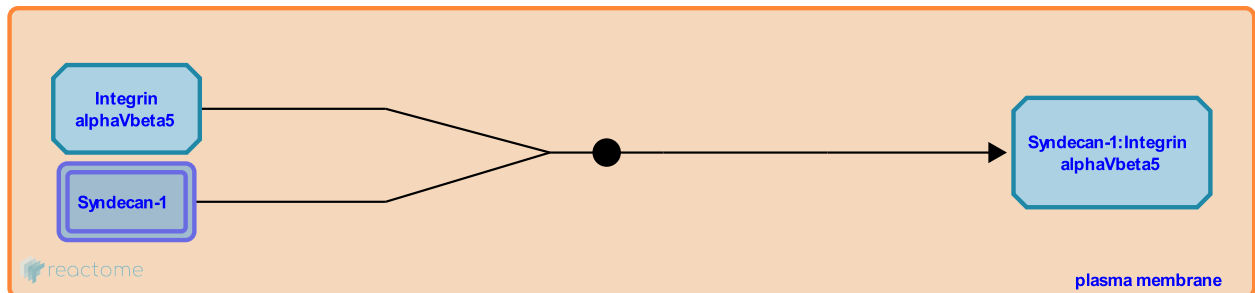
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Type: binding

Compartments: plasma membrane

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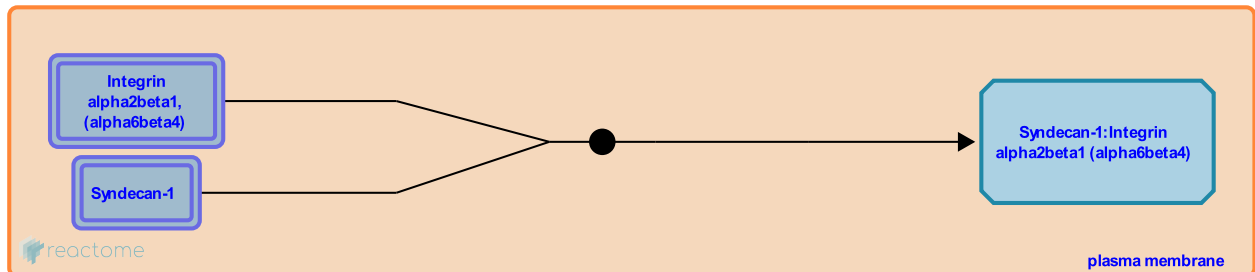
Syndecan-1 binds Integrins alpha2beta1, (alpha6beta4) ↗

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Compartments: plasma membrane



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Syndecan-1 binds THBS1 [↗](#)

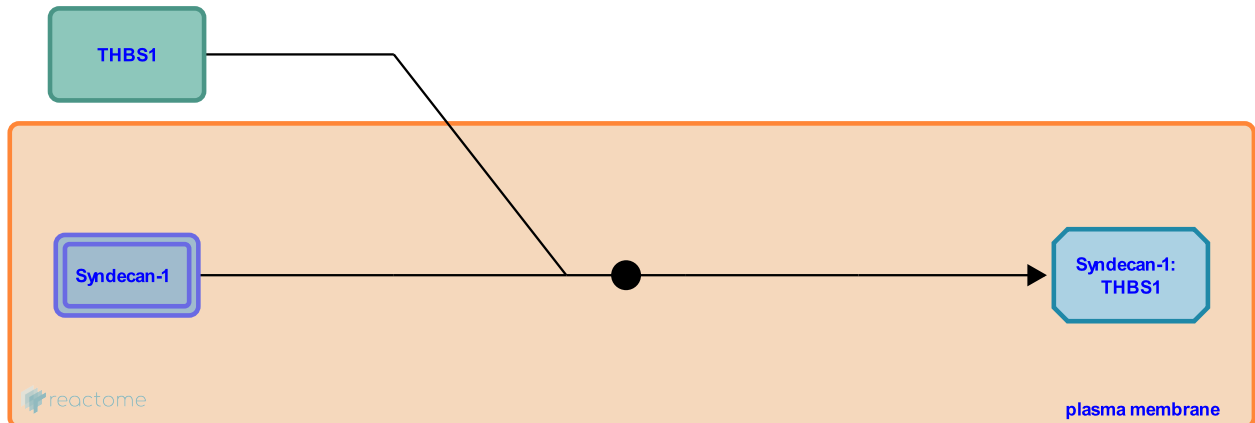
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Type: binding

Compartments: plasma membrane, extracellular region

Inferred from: [Syndecan-1 binds THBS1 \(Homo sapiens\)](#)



Syndecans have attached heparan sulfate (HS) and to a lesser extent chondroitin sulfate (CS) chains. These allow interactions with a large number of proteins, including heparin-binding growth factors such as fibroblast growth factors (Kiefer et al. 1990, Bernfield & Hooper 1991, Steinfeld et al. 1996), vascular endothelial growth factors (VEGFs) and transforming growth factor-Beta (Chen et al. 2000, Ishiguro et al. 2002). Various enzymes involved in post-translational HS chain modifications produce unique binding motifs that selectively recognize different proteins (Tkachenko et al. 2005). HS chains facilitate interactions of syndecan-1 with extracellular matrix proteins, including thrombospondin-1 (Sun et al. 1989, Lebakken & Rapraeger 1996, Adams et al. 2001, Yoneda & Couchman 2003). Syndecan-null mice have subtle phenotypes when compared with mice deficient in HS chain synthesis or modification (Echtermeyer et al. 2001, Ishiguro et al. 2001, Götte et al. 2002). GPI-anchored glypicans and matrix HSPGs such as perlecan may compensate for the absence of syndecans.

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Syndecan-1 binds collagen types I, III, V ↗

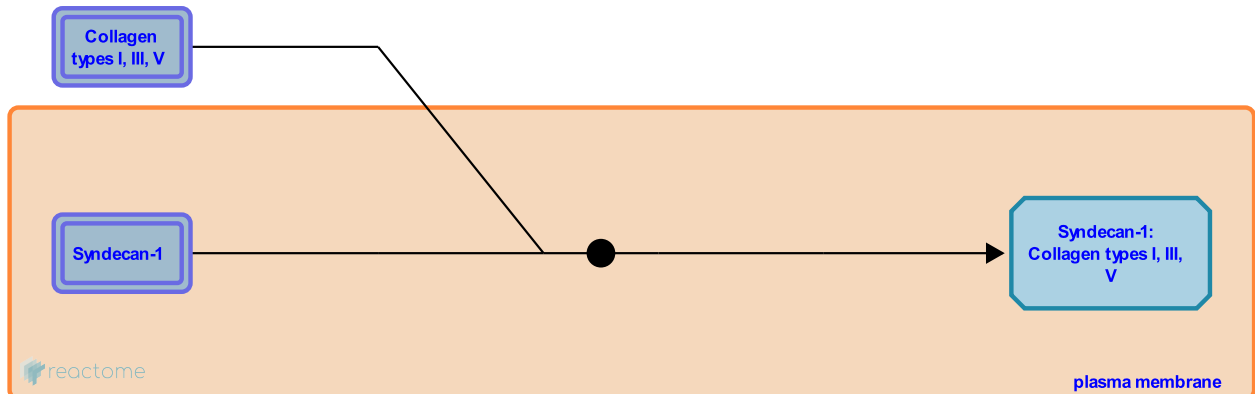
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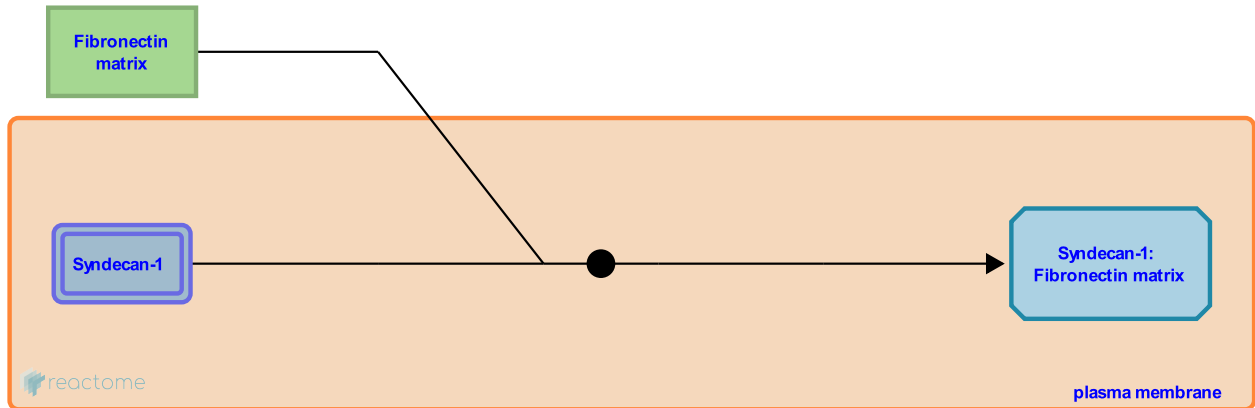
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Syndecan-2 binds CASK ↗

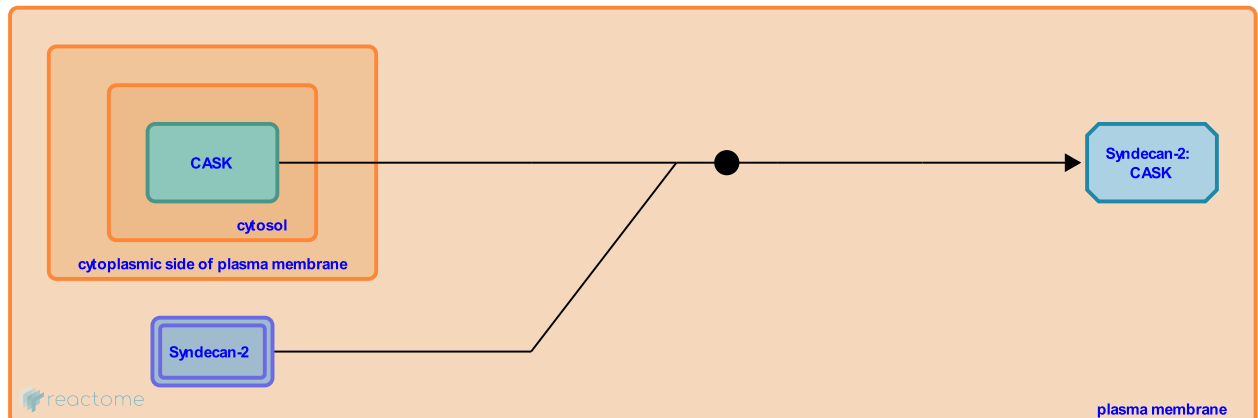
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Type: binding

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol

Inferred from: [Syndecan-2 binds Cask \(Rattus norvegicus\)](#)



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Syndecans are also signalling molecules, interacting with cytoplasmic proteins. Syndecan-2 binds the kinase Ca²⁺/calmodulin associated serine/threonine kinase (CASK), a membrane-associated guanylate kinase (MAGUK) associated with intercellular junctions (Hsueh et al. 1998).

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Syndecan-2 binds TRAPPC4 ↗

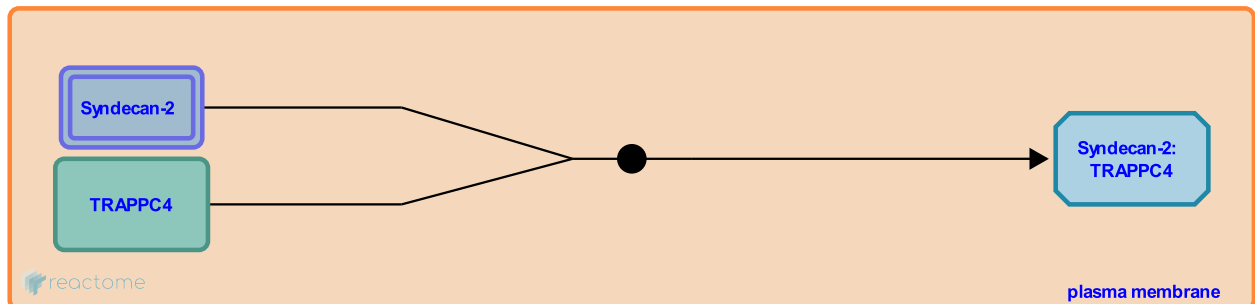
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Compartments: plasma membrane

Inferred from: [Syndecan-2 binds Trappc4 \(Mus musculus\)](#)



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Syndecans are also signalling molecules, interacting with cytoplasmic proteins. Syndecan-2 binds Trafficking protein particle complex subunit 4 (TRAPPC4), also known as synbindin. It appears to be involved with postsynaptic membrane trafficking (Ethell et al. 2000). Syndecan-2 expression promotes dendritic spine maturation in neurons, and requires the C2 domain (Ethell et al. 2000), suggesting that syndecan-2 and synbindin recruit intracellular vesicles to postsynaptic sites. More recently TRAPPC4 was shown to be a component of the Transport Protein Particle, involved in endoplasmic reticulum-to-Golgi transport (Fan et al. 2009).

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Syndecan-4 binds ACTN1 [↗](#)

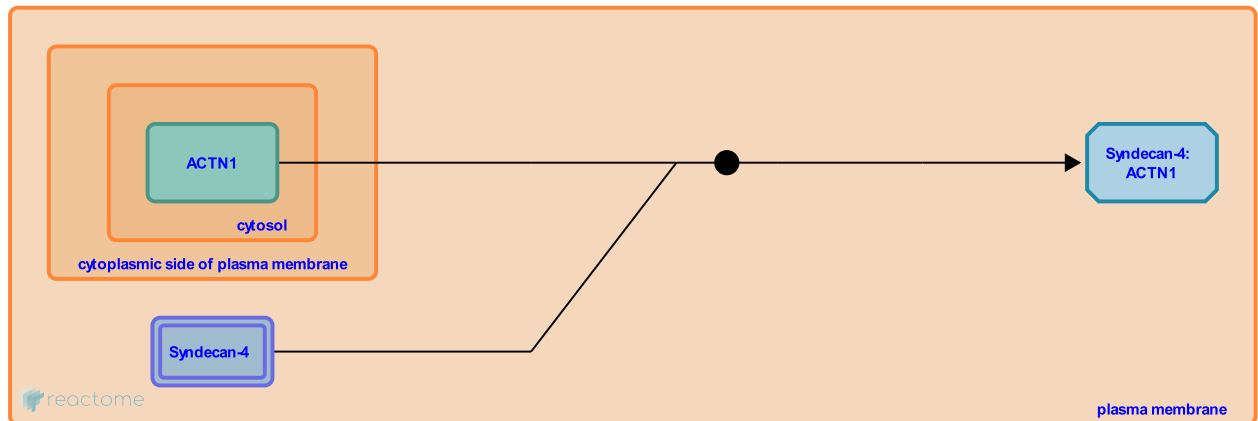
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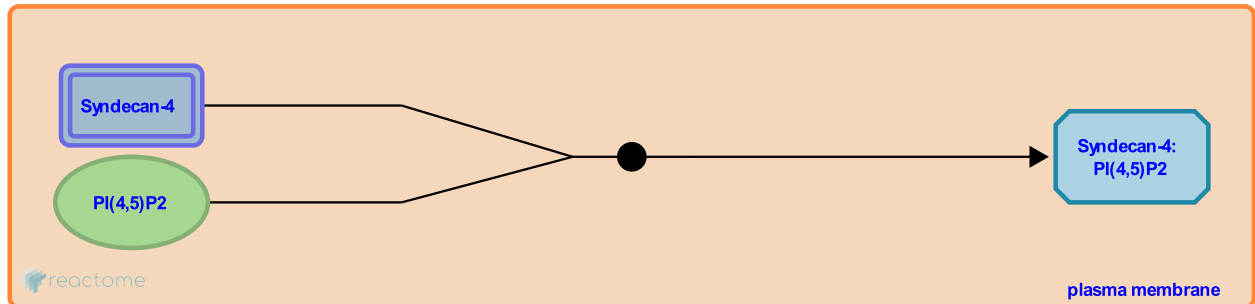
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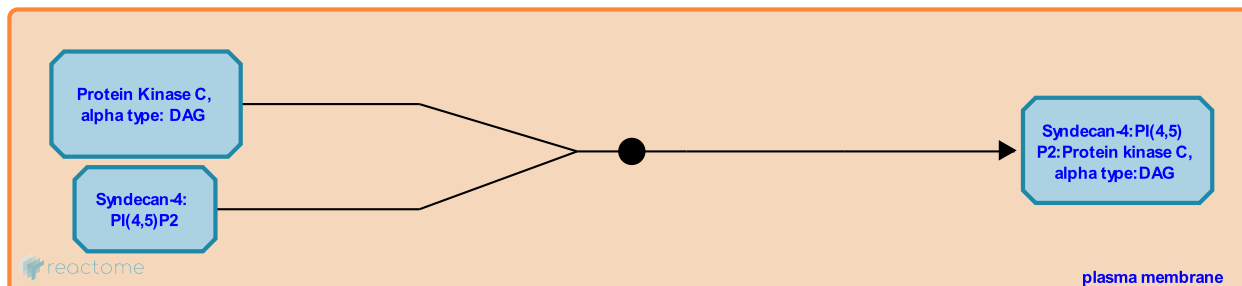
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Compartments: plasma membrane



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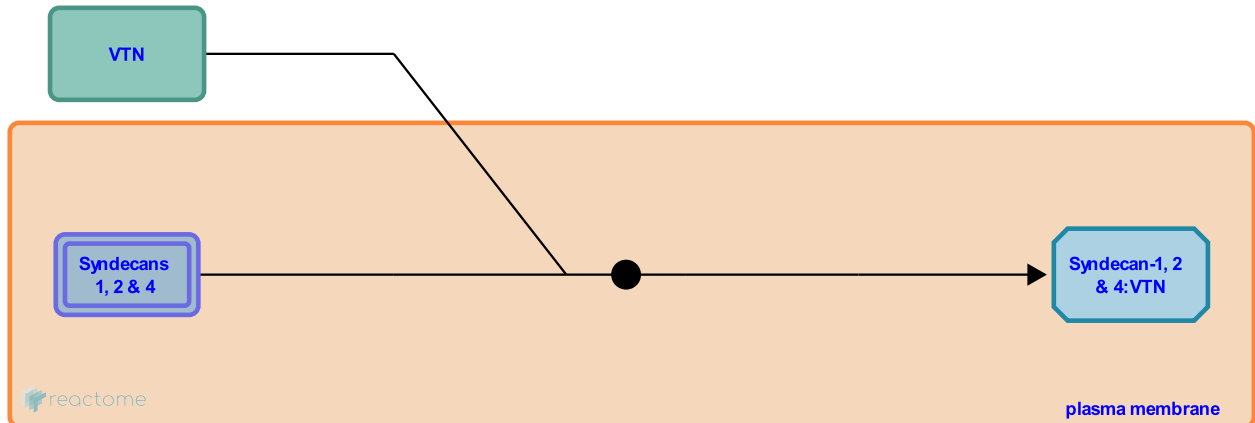
Syndecans 1, 2 & 4 bind VTN ↗

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Stable identifier: R-HSA-2731122

Type: binding

Compartments: plasma membrane, extracellular region



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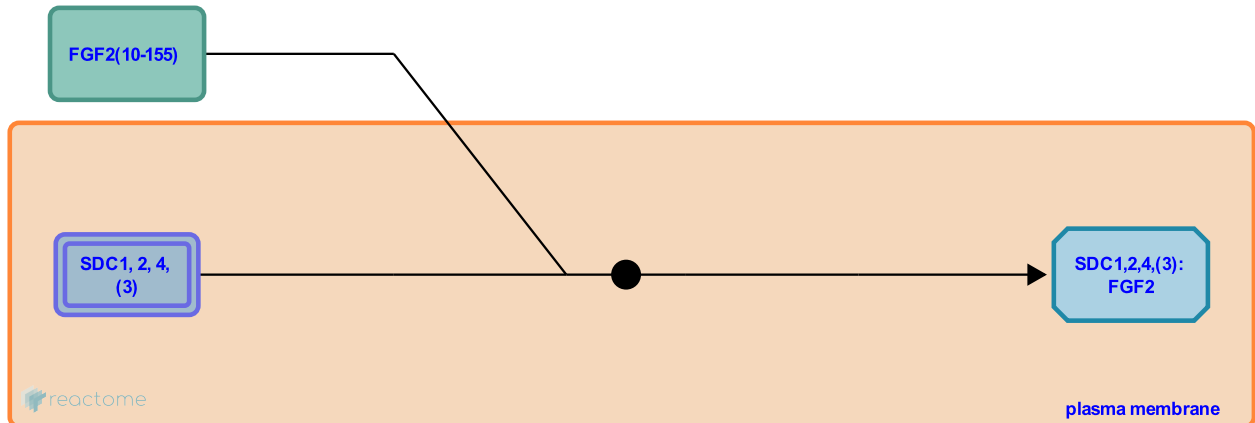
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Compartments: plasma membrane, extracellular region



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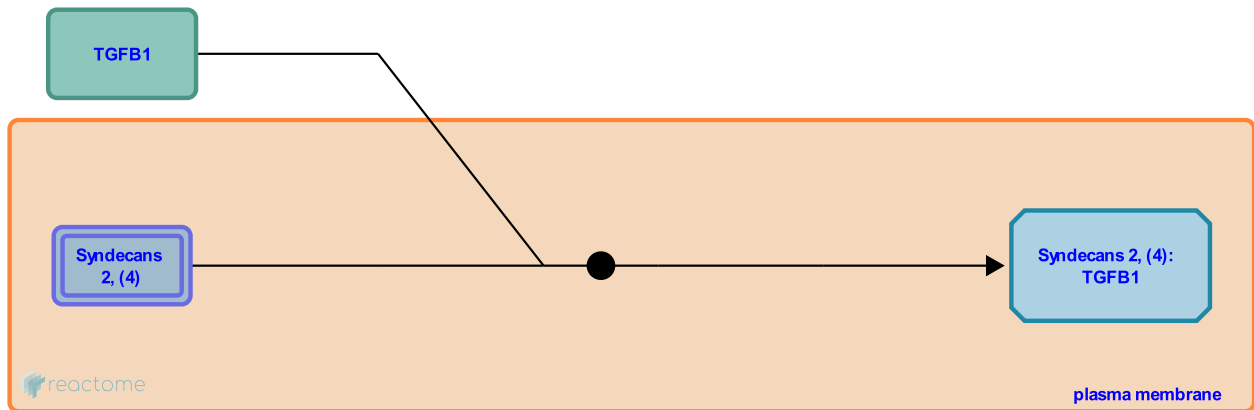
Syndecans 2, (4) bind TGFB1 ↗

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Syndecans have attached heparan sulfate (HS) and to a lesser extent chondroitin sulfate (CS) chains. These allow interactions with a large number of proteins, including transforming growth factor-Beta (Chen et al. 2000, Ishiguro et al. 2002). Various enzymes involved in post-translational HS chain modifications produce unique binding motifs that selectively recognize different proteins (Tkachenko et al. 2005). HS chains facilitate interactions of syndecan-1 with extracellular matrix proteins, including fibronectin (Saunders & Bemfield 1988, Woods et al. 2000), vitronectin, several types of collagen (type I, III and V Koda et al. 1985), and thrombospondin-1 (Sun et al. 1989, Yoneda & Couchman 2003). It is thought that syndecans often act in concert with other receptors, e.g. α v β 3 and α v β 5 integrins cooperate with syndecan-1 during adhesion to vitronectin (Beauvais et al. 2004, McQuade et al. 2006) while α 2 β 1 and α 6 β 4 integrins cooperate with syndecans during adhesion to laminin (laminin α -1 Hozumi et al. 2006, laminin γ -2, Ogawa et al. 2007). The relationship between syndecans and co-receptors is not well understood (Alexopoulou et al. 2007). Syndecan-null mice have subtle phenotypes when compared with mice deficient in HS chain synthesis or modification (Echtermeyer et al. 2001, Ishiguro et al. 2001, Götte et al. 2002). GPI-anchored glypicans and matrix HSPGs such as perlecan may compensate for the absence of syndecans. Syndecans are also signalling molecules, interacting with cytoplasmic proteins. Most of the work done has involved syndecan-4 (Multhaupt et al. 2009). Zebrafish and murine syndecan-4 V regions bind the membrane lipid phosphatidylinositol 4,5 biphosphate (PtdIns4,5P2) undergoing a shape change revealed by NMR spectroscopy (Whiteford et al. 2008). The resulting complex is able to bind protein kinase C α which is persistently activated in the absence of Ca^{2+} (Oh et al. 1997, Lee et al. 1998, Keum et al. 2004). Syndecan-2 binds the kinase Ca^{2+} /calmodulin associated serine/threonine kinase (CAK), a membrane-associated guanylate kinase (MAGUK) associated with intercellular junctions (Hsueh et al. 1998). Trafficking protein particle complex subunit 4 (TRAPPC4) is a syndecan-2 interacting protein also known as synbindin. It appears to be involved with postsynaptic membrane trafficking (Ethell et al. 2000). Syndecan-2 expression promotes dendritic spine maturation in neurons, and requires the C2 domain (Ethell et al. 2000), suggesting that syndecan-2 and synbindin recruit intracellular vesicles to postsynaptic sites. More recently TRAPPC4 was shown to be a component of the Transport Protein Particle, involved in endoplasmic reticulum-to-Golgi transport (Fan et al. 2009). The V-region of syndecan-4 interacts with the actin-bundling protein α -actinin (Greene et al. 2003, Choi et al. 2008, Shin et al. 2012), a direct link to the cell cytoskeleton.

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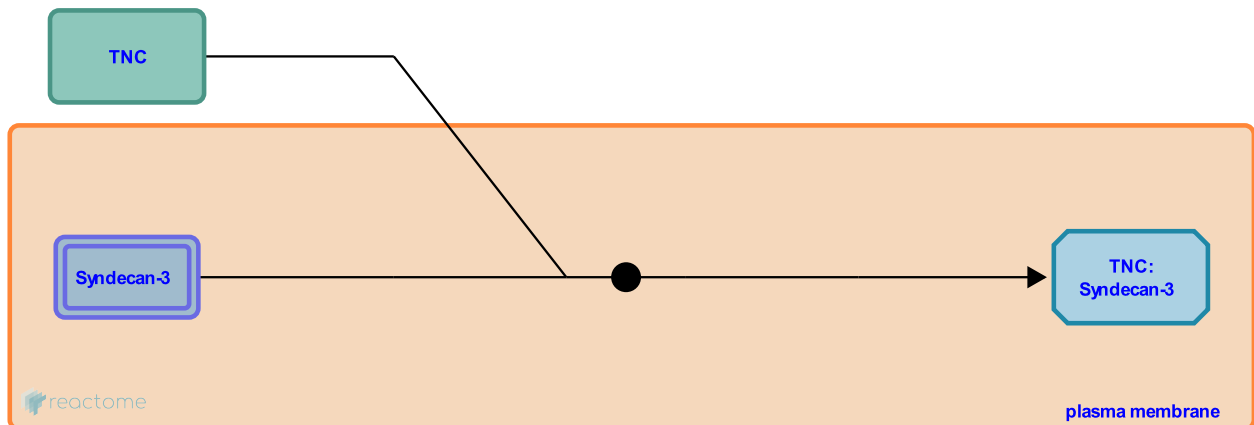
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Tenascins are a family of 4 oligomeric extracellular glycoproteins, tenascin (TN) C, R, X, and W. In rotary shadowing images TNC is seen as a symmetrical structure called a hexabrachion (Erickson & Iglesias 1984). This hexamer is formed from initial trimers (Kammerer et al. 1988). All members of the family are believed able to form trimers but only C, R and W have the extra cysteine required for form hexamers. All have amino-terminal heptad repeats, epidermal growth factor (EGF)-like repeats, fibronectin type III domain repeats, and a carboxyl-terminal fibrinogen-like globular domain (Hsia & Schwartzbauer 2005). TNC was the first of the family to be discovered and is the best characterised (Midwood et al. 2011). Its subunits vary greatly in size (between 190 and 330 kDa of the tenascin-C monomer) due to glycosylation and splicing isoforms (Joester & Faissner 1999). During embryonic development TNC is expressed in neural, skeletal, and vascular tissues. In adults it is detectable only in tendon and tissues undergoing remodeling processes such as wound repair and neovascularization, or in pathological processes such as inflammation and tumorigenesis. TNR forms dimers and trimers (Norenberg et al. 1992) and is expressed only in the developing and adult central nervous system. TNC and TNR-null mice (single and double knock-outs) have surprisingly normal gross phenotypes, but exhibit behavioural and wound healing abnormalities (Mackie & Tucker 1999, Montag-Sallaz & Montag 2003). TNX (termed tenascin-Y in chicken) is the largest member of the family and is widely expressed during development, but in adults is limited to musculoskeletal, cardiac, and dermal tissue. It can form trimers, though it lacks the amino-terminal cysteine residues involved in hexamer formation. It is clearly associated with a variant of a heritable connective tissue disorder known as Ehler-Danlos Syndrome, which is associated with fibrillar collagen defects (Burch et al. 1997, Mao et al. 2002). TNY is thought to be an avian orthologue of TNX (Chiquet-Ehrismann 2004). TNW, first identified in zebrafish (Weber et al. 1998), is the least well characterized member of the tenascin family. It forms trimers and is expressed in developing skeletal tissue, neural crest cells and kidney, a pattern that partially overlaps with TN-C.

TNC binds syndecan-3 (Salmivirta et al. 1991, Koyama et al. 1996) Syndecans are type I transmembrane proteins, with an N-terminal ectodomain that contains several consensus sequences for glycosaminoglycan attachment and a short C-terminal cytoplasmic domain. Syndecan-1 and -3 glycosaminoglycan attachment sites occur in two distinct clusters, one near the N-terminus and the other near the membrane-attachment site, separated by a proline and threonine-rich 'spacer'. Syndecan ectodomain sequences are poorly conserved in the family and between species, but the transmembrane and cytoplasmic domains are highly conserved. Syndecan-1 and -3 form a subfamily. Syndecan-3 on the cell surface is frequently oligomeric (Asundi & Carey 1995). Syndecans bind extracellular ligands via their attached heparan sulphate chains, playing roles in cell to matrix and cell to cell adhesion.

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