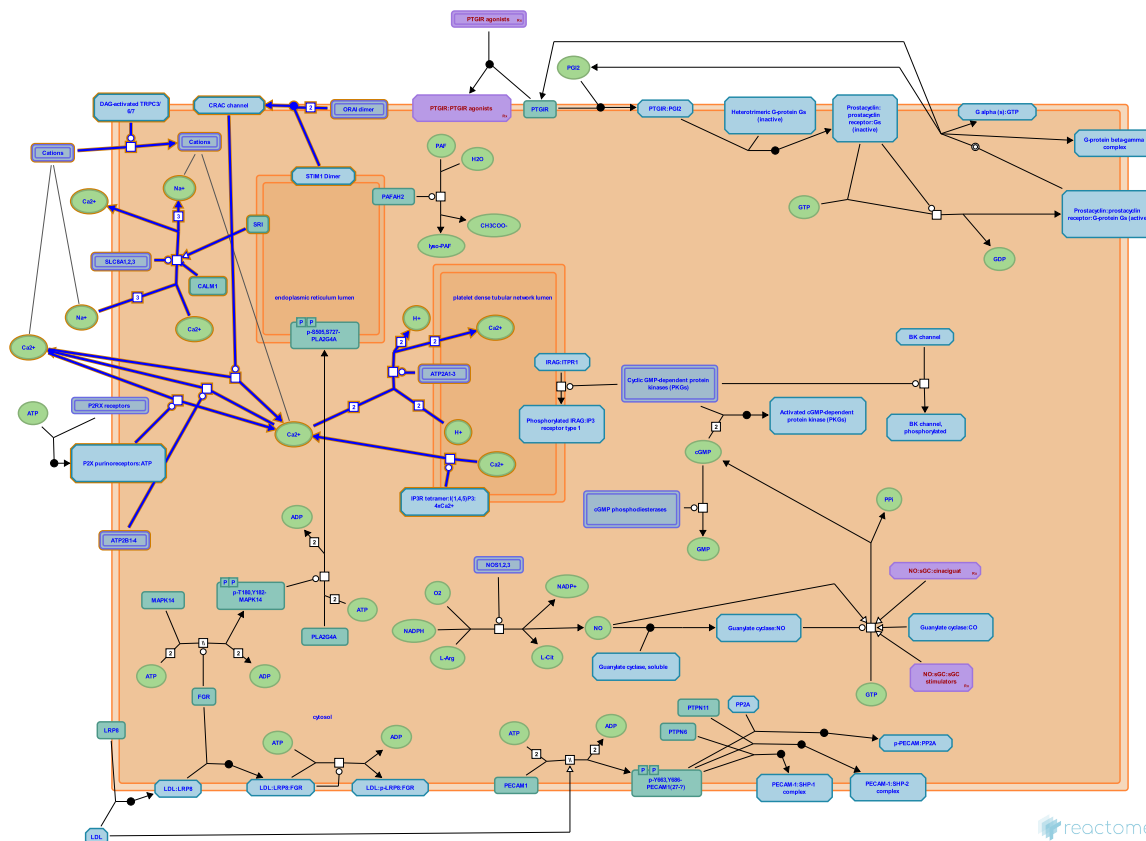


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Introduction

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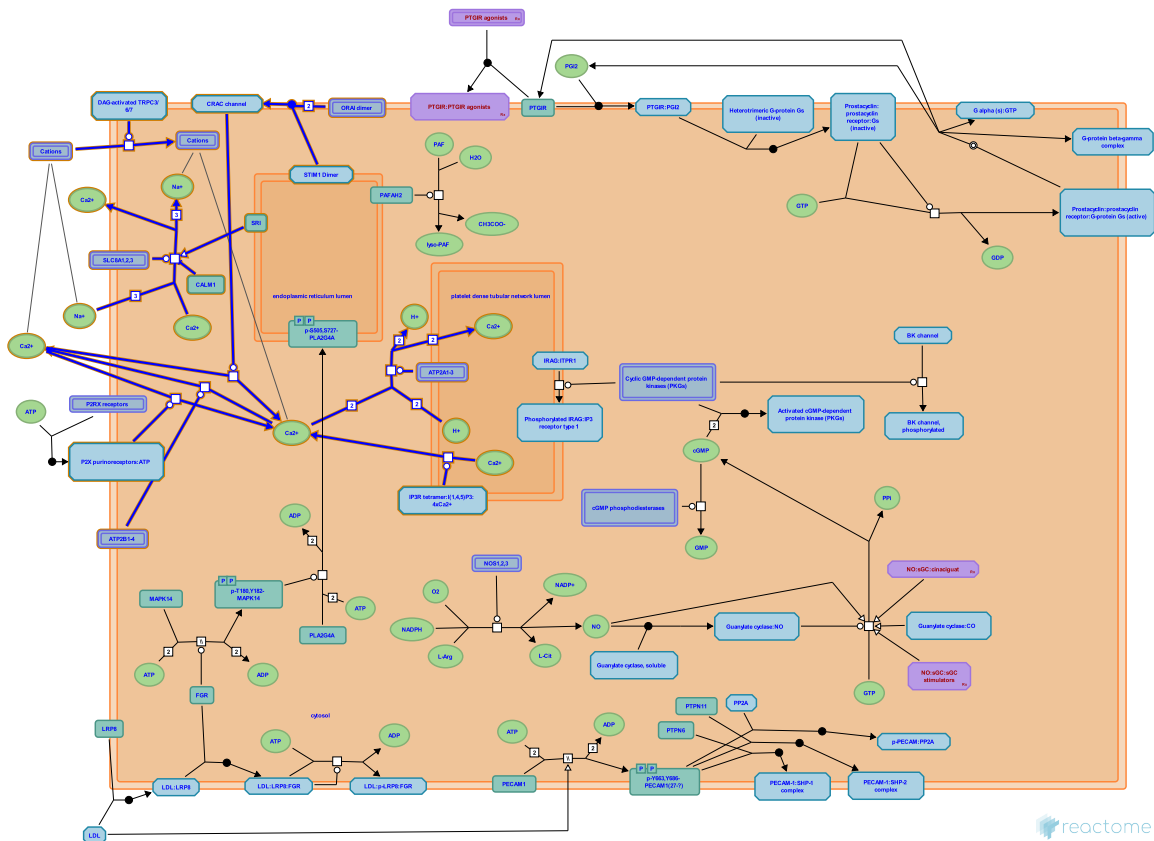
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Ca²⁺ homeostasis is controlled by processes that elevate or counter the elevation of cytosolic Ca²⁺. During steady state conditions, cytoplasmic Ca²⁺ is reduced by the accumulation of Ca²⁺ in intracellular stores and by Ca²⁺ extrusion. The primary intracellular calcium store in platelets is the dense tubular system, the equivalent of the ER system in other cell types. Ca²⁺ is extruded by Ca²⁺-ATPases including plasma membrane Ca²⁺ ATPases (PMCAs) and sarco/endoplasmic reticulum Ca²⁺ -ATPase isoforms (SERCAs).

Activation of non- excitable cells involves the agonist-induced elevation of cytosolic Ca²⁺, an essential process for platelet activation. It occurs through Ca²⁺ release from intracellular stores and Ca²⁺ entry through the plasma membrane. Ca²⁺ store release involves phospholipase C (PLC)-mediated production of inositol-1,4,5-trisphosphate (IP3), which in turn stimulates IP3 receptor channels to release Ca²⁺ from intracellular stores. This is followed by Ca²⁺ entry into the cell through plasma membrane calcium channels, a process referred to as store-operated calcium entry (SOCE). Stromal interaction molecule 1 (STIM1), a Ca²⁺ sensor molecule in intracellular stores, and the four transmembrane channel protein Orai1 are the key players in platelet SOCE. Other major Ca²⁺ entry mechanisms are mediated by the direct receptor-operated calcium (ROC) channel, P2X1 and transient receptor potential channels (TRPCs).

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