

Anthrax lef cleaves target cell MAP2K1

(MEK1)

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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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Stable identifier: R-HSA-5211340

Type: transition

Compartments: cytosol

Diseases: anthrax disease



lef (Anthrax LF, lethal factor), a zinc metalloprotease (Klimpel et al, 1994) in the target cell cytosol, cleaves MAP2K1 (MEK1, mitogen activated protein kinase kinase 1) at the N-terminus. While the kinase domain of MAP2K1 is unaffected, an aminoterminal docking domain is disrupted by the cleavage and the protein fails to interact normally with substrates (Duesbery et al. 1998; Vitale et al. 1998).

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