

# botA HC transports botA LC from target cell synaptic vesicle membrane into cytosol

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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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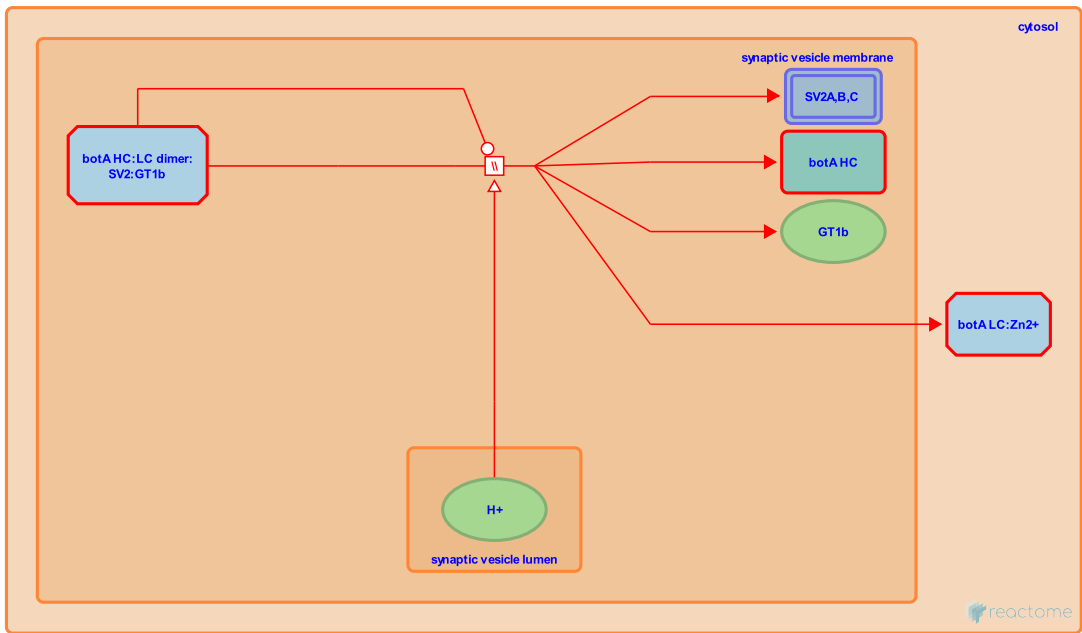


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Compartments: synaptic vesicle membrane, cytosol

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Acidification, a normal step in endocytosis causes a conformational change in the botulinum toxin type A disulfide bonded heavy chain - light chain heterodimer (“dichain”) (botA HC:LC) it contains, allowing the HC part of the toxin to function as a channel through which its LC part is extruded into the neuronal cytosol. The HC - LC disulfide bond is cleaved (Koriazova & Montal 2003; Montal 2010). Recent studies in vitro suggest that GT1b ganglioside associated with the toxin may play a role in this process (Sun et al. 2012).

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