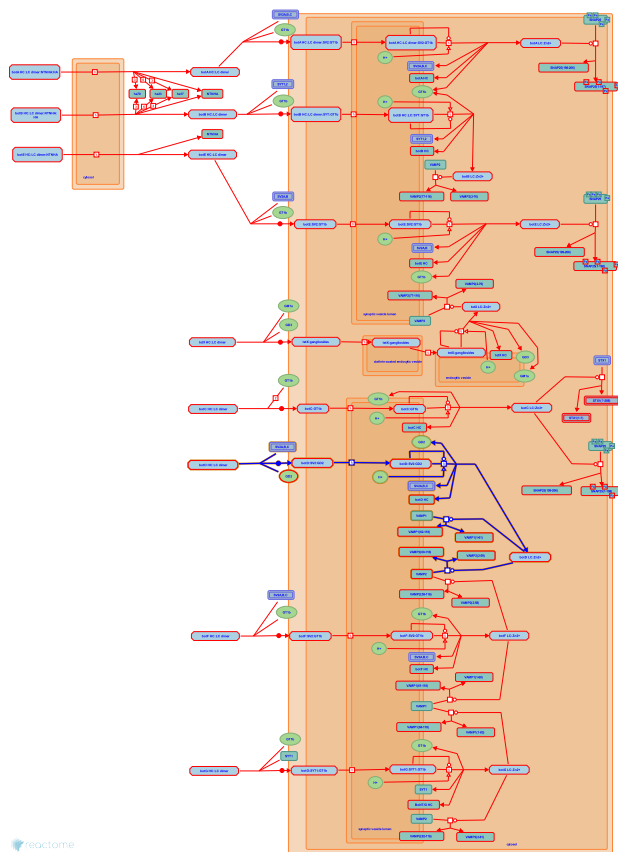


# Toxicity of botulinum toxin type D (botD)



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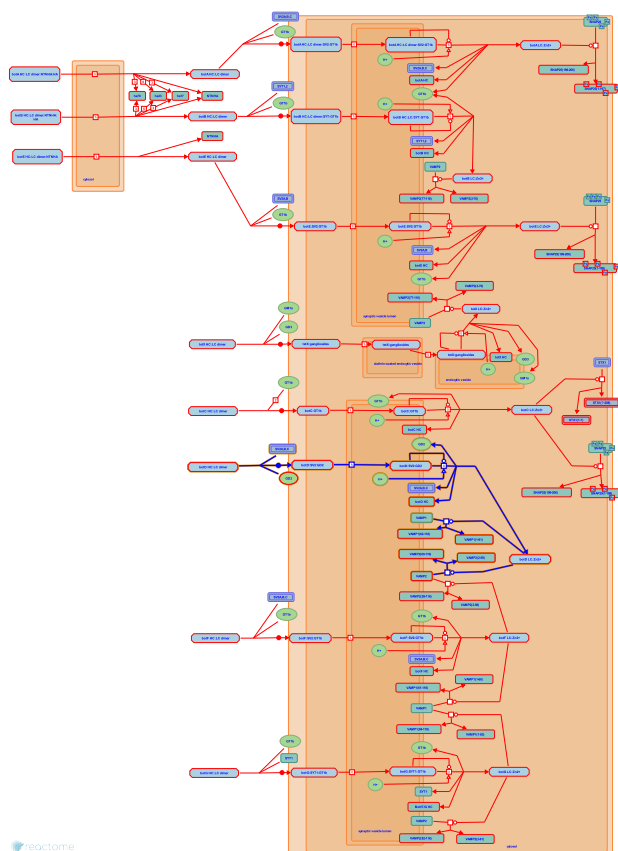
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## Toxicity of botulinum toxin type D (botD) ↗

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**Diseases:** botulism



Botulinum toxin type D (botD) is only very rarely associated with human disease (Hatheway 1995) and a pathway by which it might enter the circulation from the human gut has not been described. Nevertheless, the toxin itself, a disulfide-bonded heavy chain (HC) - light chain (LC) heterodimer (“dichain”), is capable of binding to neurons by interactions with cell surface ganglioside (Kroken et al. 2011) and synaptic vesicle protein 2 (SV2) (Peng et al. 2011), the bound toxin can enter synaptic vesicles and release its LC moiety into the cytosol of targeted cells (Montal 2010), and the botD LC can cleave vesicle associated membrane proteins 1 and 2 (VAMP1 and 2) on the cytosolic face of the synaptic vesicle membrane (Schiavo et al. 1993; Yamasaki et al. 1994). These four events are annotated here.

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## botD HC:LC binds SV2A or B or C and GD2 on the target cell surface ↗

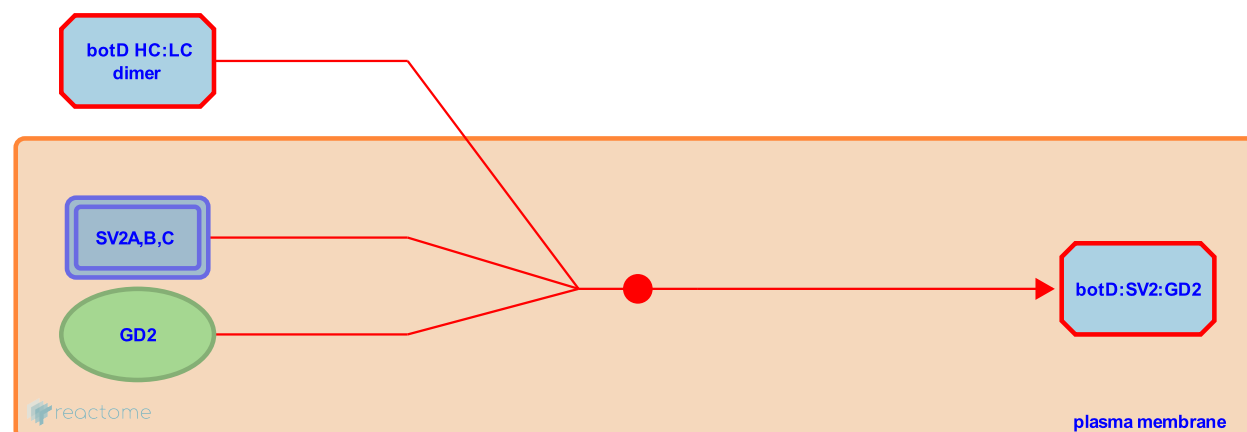
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**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-5250607

**Type:** binding

**Compartments:** plasma membrane, extracellular region

**Diseases:** botulism



The botulinum toxin type D disulfide-bonded heavy chain - light chain heterodimer ("dichain") (botD HC:LC, encoded by the *C. botulinum* botD gene) binds ganglioside GD2 and synaptic vesicle proteins 2A (SV2A), 2B (SV2B), or 2C (SV2C) on the plasma membrane of a human target cell. In vivo, this process specifically targets synapses at neuromuscular junctions, where toxin association with ganglioside may position it to bind efficiently to SV2A, SV2B, or SV2C when those proteins are exposed at the cell surface by exocytosis (Kroken et al. 2011; Peng et al. 2011).

**Followed by:** [botD:SV2:GD2 internalized from target cell plasma membrane to synaptic vesicle membrane](#)

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**botD:SV2:GD2 internalized from target cell plasma membrane to synaptic vesicle membrane** ↗

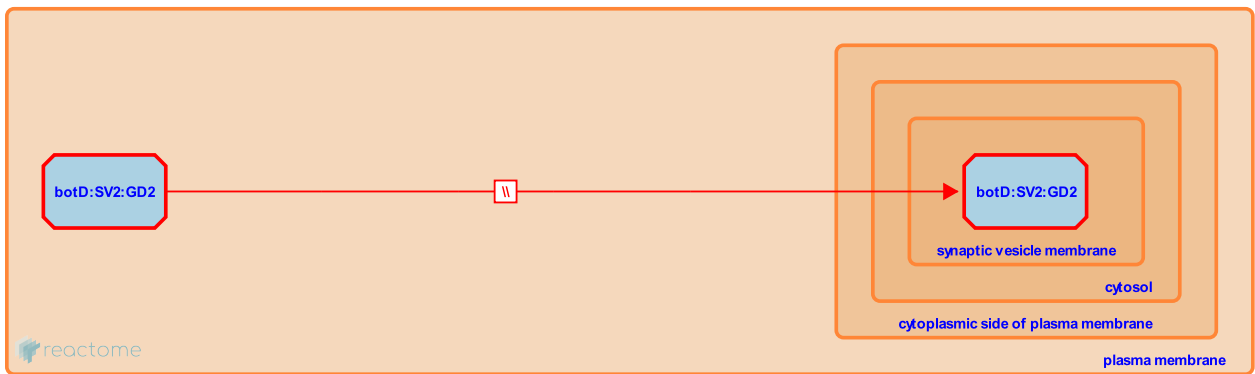
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**Type:** omitted

**Compartments:** plasma membrane, synaptic vesicle membrane

**Diseases:** botulism



Synaptic vesicles re-form rapidly after exocytosis, carrying vesicle membrane proteins that had been exposed on the cell surface by exocytosis back into the cell (Sudhoff 2004). The botulinum toxin type D disulfide-bonded heavy chain - light chain heterodimer (botD HC:LC) bound to ganglioside GD2 and synaptic vesicle protein 2A, 2B, or 2C (SV2A, B, or C) is inferred to be taken up as well, delivering it to the re-formed synaptic vesicle.

**Preceded by:** [botD HC:LC binds SV2A or B or C and GD2 on the target cell surface](#)

**Followed by:** [botD HC transports botD LC from target cell synaptic vesicle membrane into cytosol](#)

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



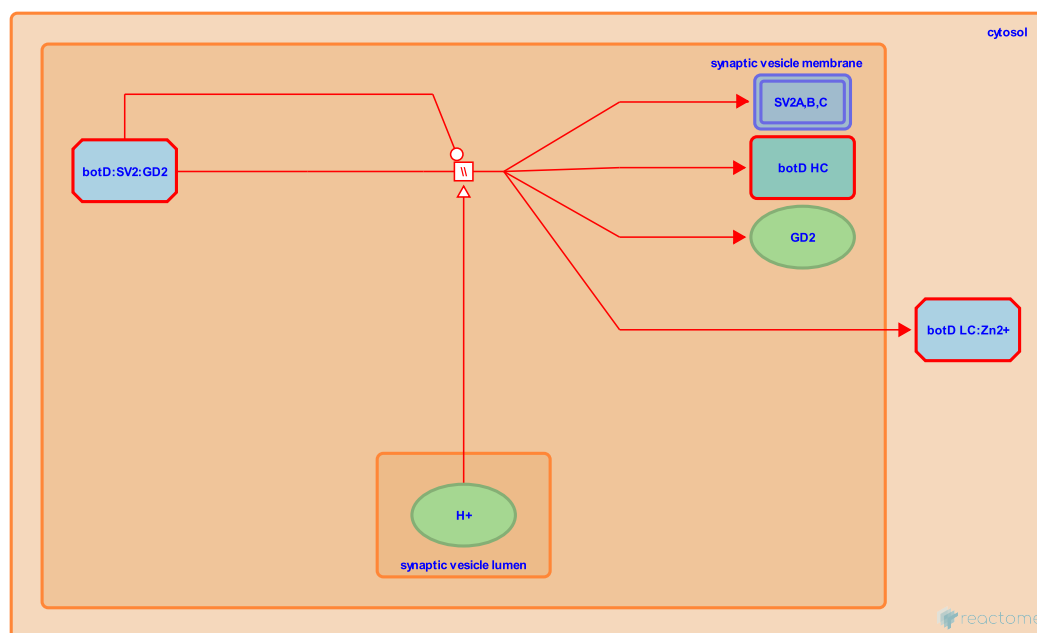
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**Type:** omitted

**Compartments:** synaptic vesicle membrane, cytosol

**Diseases:** botulism



By analogy to the process described for botulinum toxin type A (Koriazova and Montal 2003; Montal 2010), acidification, a normal step in synaptic vesicle recycling, is inferred to cause a conformational change in the botulinum toxin type D disulfide-bonded heavy chain - light chain dimer (botD 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 where the HC - LC disulfide bond is cleaved.

**Preceded by:** [botD:SV2:GD2 internalized from target cell plasma membrane to synaptic vesicle membrane](#)

**Followed by:** [botD LC cleaves target cell VAMP2](#), [botD LC cleaves target cell VAMP1](#)

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## botD LC cleaves target cell VAMP1 ↗

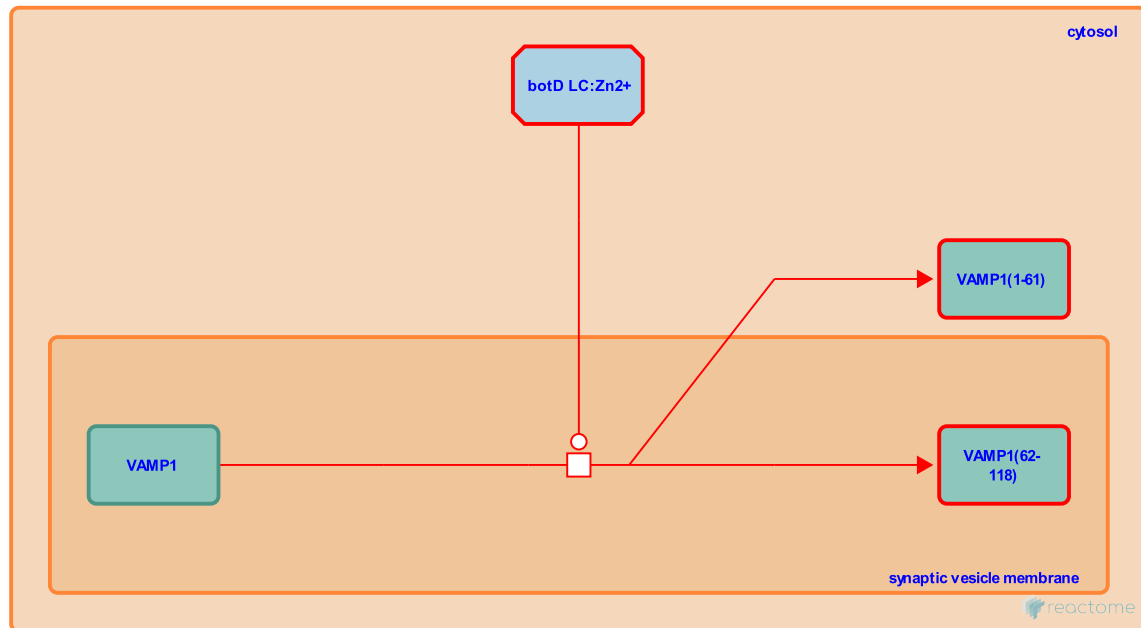
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**Type:** transition

**Compartment:** synaptic vesicle membrane, cytosol

**Diseases:** botulism



Botulinum toxin type D light chain (botD LC), in the cytosol of a target cell, catalyzes the removal of an aminoterminal peptide from vesicle-associated membrane protein 1 (VAMP1). botD LC is a zinc metalloprotease (Arndt et al. 2006; Schiavo et al. 1993; Yamasaki et al. 1994). VAMP1 is associated with the cytosolic face of the target cell synaptic vesicle and is required for vesicle docking and exocytosis. Its cleavage by botulinum toxin blocks synaptic vesicle fusion with the plasma membrane and neurotransmitter release (Sudhof et al, 1993; Sudhof 2004).

**Preceded by:** [botD HC transports botD LC from target cell synaptic vesicle membrane into cytosol](#)

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## botD LC cleaves target cell VAMP2 ↗

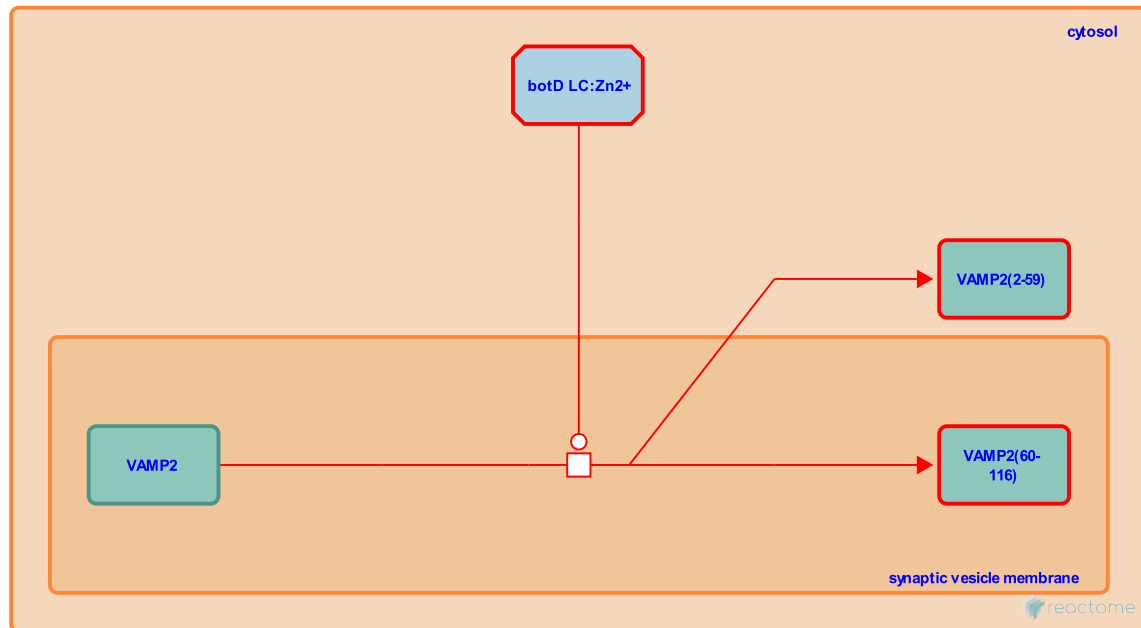
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**Type:** transition

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**Diseases:** botulism



Botulinum toxin type D light chain (botD LC), in the cytosol of a target cell, catalyzes the removal of an aminoterminal peptide from vesicle-associated membrane protein 2 (VAMP2). botD LC is a zinc metalloprotease (Arndt et al. 2006; Schiavo et al. 1993; Yamasaki et al. 1994). VAMP2 is associated with the cytosolic face of the target cell synaptic vesicle and is required for vesicle docking and exocytosis. Its cleavage by botulinum toxin blocks synaptic vesicle fusion with the plasma membrane and neurotransmitter release (Sudhof et al, 1993; Sudhof 2004).

**Preceded by:** [botD HC transports botD LC from target cell synaptic vesicle membrane into cytosol](#)

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