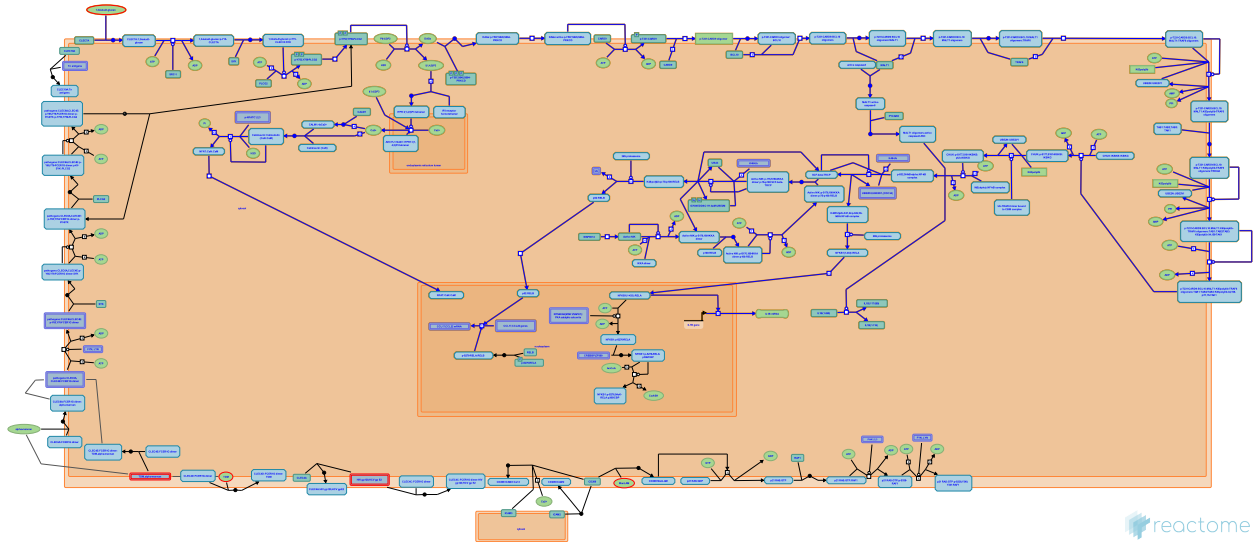


CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling



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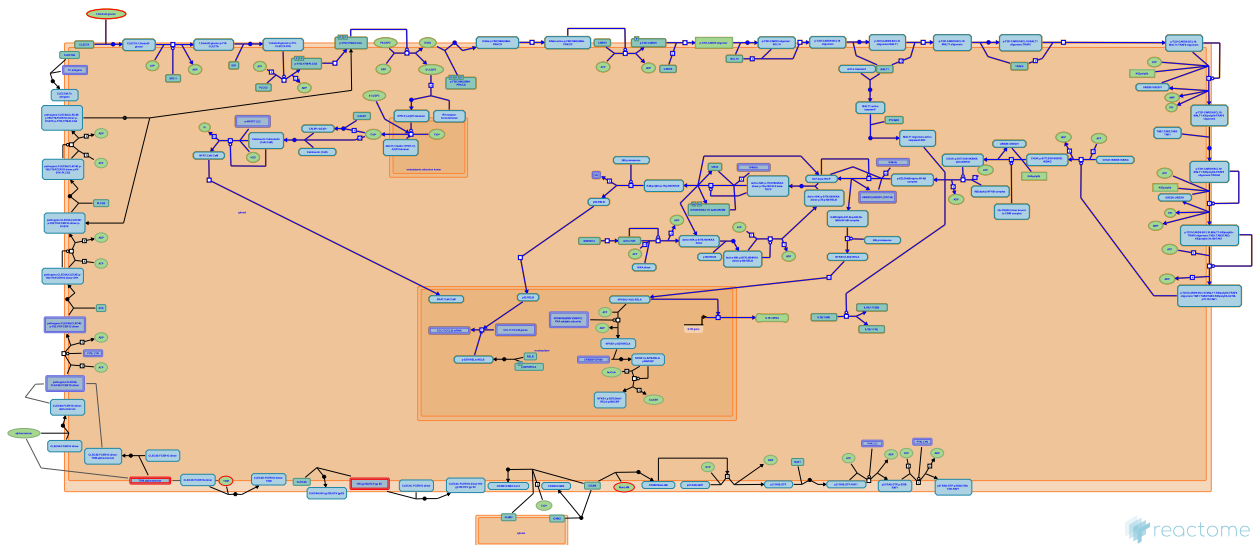
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Compartments: plasma membrane



CLEC7A (also known as Dectin-1) is a pattern-recognition receptor (PRR) expressed by myeloid cells (macrophages, dendritic cells and neutrophils) that detects pathogens by binding to beta-1,3-glucans in fungal cell walls and triggers direct innate immune responses to fungal and bacterial infections. CLEC7A belongs to the type-II C-type lectin receptor (CLR) family that can mediate its own intracellular signaling. Upon binding particulate beta-1,3-glucans, CLEC7A mediates intracellular signalling through its cytoplasmic immunoreceptor tyrosine-based activation motif (ITAM)-like motif (Brown 2006). CLEC7A signaling can induce the production of various cytokines and chemokines, including tumour-necrosis factor (TNF), CXC-chemokine ligand 2 (CXCL2, also known as MIP2), interleukin-1beta (IL-1b), IL-2, IL-10 and IL-12 (Brown et al. 2003), it also triggers phagocytosis and stimulates the production of reactive oxygen species (ROS), thus contributing to microbial killing (Gantner et al. 2003, Herre et al. 2004, Underhill et al. 2005, Goodridge et al. 2011, Reid et al. 2009). These cellular responses mediated by CLEC7A rely on both Syk-dependent and Syk-independent signaling cascades. The pathways leading to the Syk-dependent activation of NF- κ B can be categorised into both canonical and non-canonical routes (Gringhuis et al. 2009). Activation of the canonical NF- κ B pathway is essential for innate immunity, whereas activation of the non-canonical pathway is involved in lymphoid organ development and adaptive immunity (Plato et al. 2013).

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CLEC7A binds 1,3-beta-D-glucan ↗

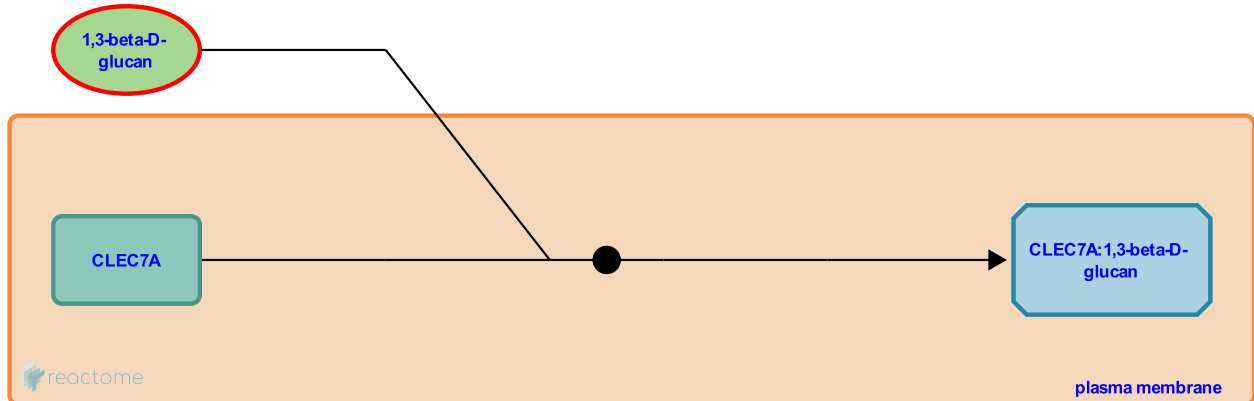
Location: [CLEC7A \(Dectin-1\) signaling](#)

Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607758

Type: binding

Compartments: plasma membrane, extracellular region

Inferred from: [Clec7a binds 1,3-beta-D-glucan \(Mus musculus\)](#)



CLEC7A (Dectin-1) was identified as a primary receptor for beta-glucans from fungi, bacteria, and plants and specifically recognises beta 1-3 linked glucans. Human CLEC7A has eight alternatively splice products of which only two are functional for beta-glucan binding (isoforms A and B) (Willment et al. 2001). CLEC7A possesses an extracellular C-type lectin-like domain (CTLD) that is connected by a stalk region to a transmembrane domain and cytoplasmic tail, which contains an immunoreceptor tyrosine-based activation (ITAM)-like motif. Two highly conserved amino acids (222W 224H in Human; 221W, 223H in Mouse) within the CTLD which have been identified as essential for beta-glucan binding (Brown et al. 2007, Adachi et al. 2004). Through the recognition of beta-glucans, CLEC7A binds several fungal species such as *Aspergillus*, *Candida*, *Coccidioides*, *Penicillium*, *Pneumocystis* and *Saccharimyces*.

Ferwerda et al. (2009) suggest that chronic mucocutaneous candidiasis may be caused by a genetic defect of CLEC7A. The mutation of nucleotide A-->C causes a change of amino acid 238 from tyrosine to a stop codon (Tyr238*), leading to the loss of the last nine amino acids of the carbohydrate-recognition domain (CRD). This mutated form of CLEC7A is poorly expressed and does not mediate beta-glucan binding, leading to defective production of cytokines after stimulation with beta-glucans or *Candida albicans* (Ferwerda et al. 2009).

Followed by: [SRC kinase phosphorylates CLEC7A:1,3-beta-D-glucan](#)

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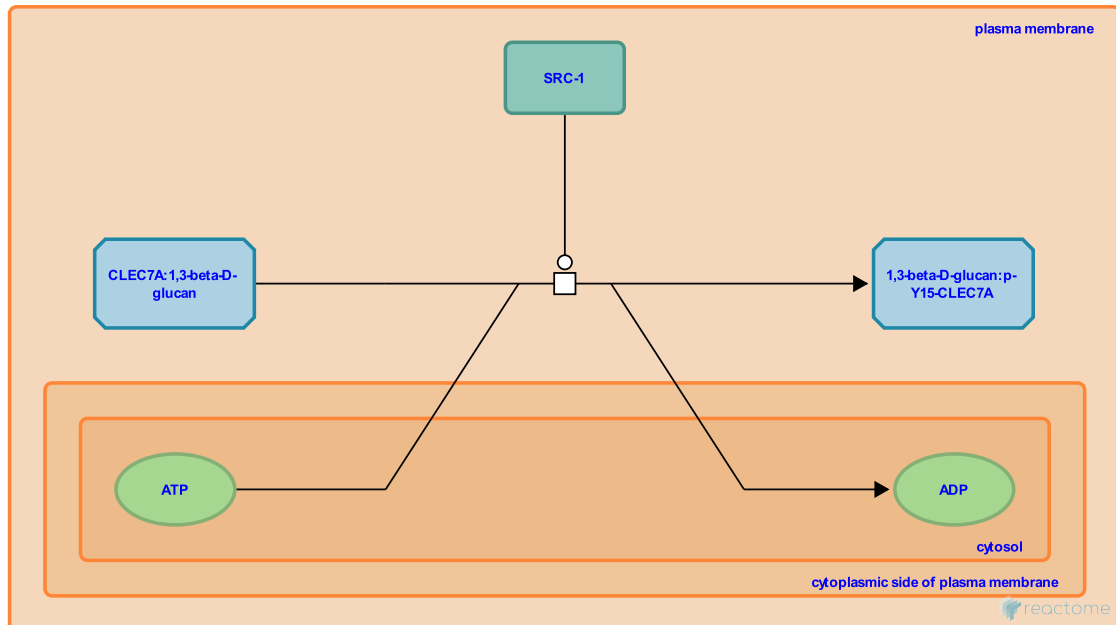
SRC kinase phosphorylates CLEC7A:1,3-beta-D-glucan ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607750

Type: transition

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



The signalling abilities of CLEC7A (Dectin-1) depend on its cytoplasmic (immunoreceptor tyrosine based activation motif) ITAM-like motif. In contrast to traditional ITAM sequences which consists of dual YXXL sequences, CLEC7A's ITAM (hemi-ITAM) has only a single YXXL motif (Ariizumi et al. 2000). Despite its unusual ITAM, CLEC7A upon ligation with beta-glucan containing particles undergoes tyrosine phosphorylation by SRC kinases (Kerrigan & Brown 2010).

Preceded by: CLEC7A binds 1,3-beta-D-glucan

Followed by: SYK binds p-Y15-CLEC7A:1,3-beta-D-glucan

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SYK binds p-Y15-CLEC7A:1,3-beta-D-glucan ↗

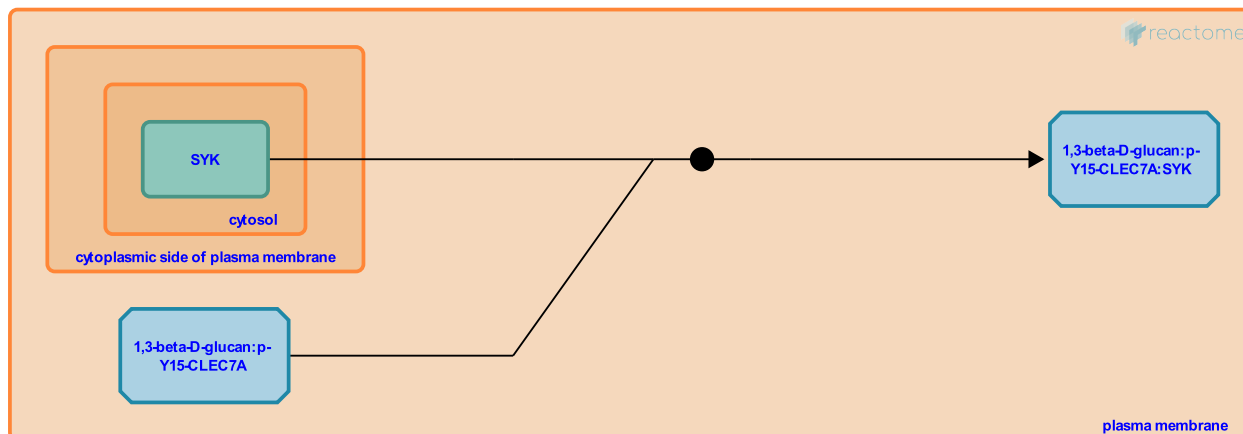
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Type: binding

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol

Inferred from: SYK binds p-Y15-Clec7a:1,3-beta-D-glucan (Homo sapiens)



Spleen tyrosine kinase (SYK) is the key mediator of CLEC7A's (Dectin-1) downstream cellular responses, such as cytokine production and induction of the respiratory burst (Brown 2006). A phosphorylated tyrosine in CLEC7A provides the docking site for SYK. In contrast to usual ITAM receptors where dually phosphorylated tyrosines are necessary for SYK recruitment, phosphorylation of only the membrane proximal tyrosine is sufficient for SYK association with CLEC7A. Binding of SYK to the phosphorylated ITAM motif is sufficient to fully activate SYK (Tsang et al. 2008). SYK deficiency or SYK inhibitors inhibit CLEC7A-dependent cytokine production, MAPK activation and NF- κ B activation, suggesting that SYK is essential for CLEC7A signalling (Rogers et al. 2005, Underhill et al. 2005, Fuller et al. 2007). Activation of NF- κ B by SYK can be categorised into both canonical (c-Rel and p65) and NIK (NF- κ B inhibitory kinase)-dependent non-canonical (RelB) routes (Gringhuis et al. 2009).

Preceded by: SRC kinase phosphorylates CLEC7A:1,3-beta-D-glucan

Followed by: 1,3-beta-D-glucan:p-Y15-CLEC7A:SYK phosphorylates PLCG

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1,3-beta-D-glucan:p-Y15-CLEC7A:SYK phosphorylates PLCG2 ↗

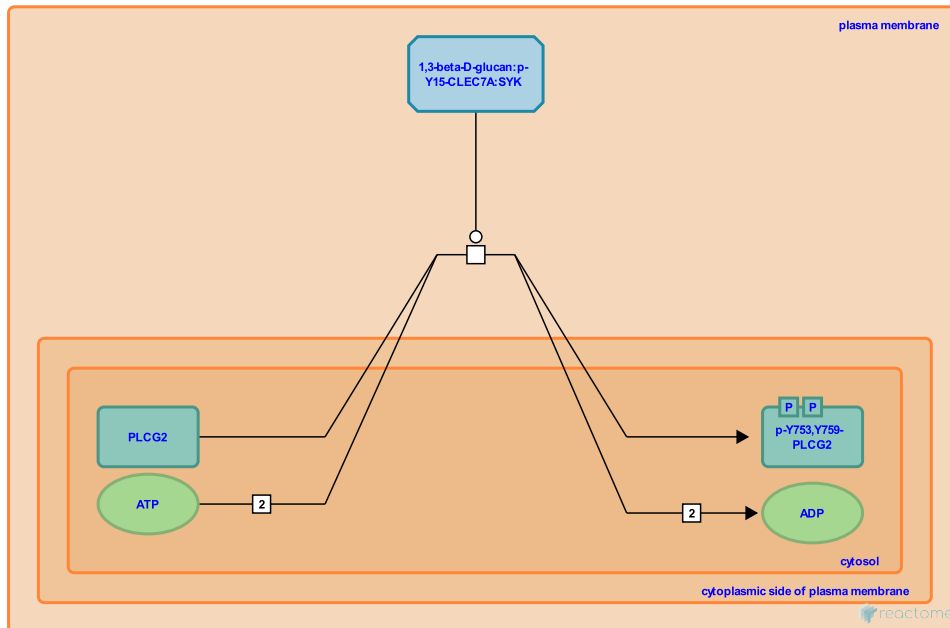
Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

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Type: transition

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol

Inferred from: 1,3-beta-D-glucan:p-15Y-Clec7a:Syk phosphorylates Plcg2 (Mus musculus)



Activation of SYK triggers multiple cascades, which induces NF- κ B activation through a CARD9-dependent pathway. Phospholipase C-gamma 2 (PLCG2) is one of the key signaling components of the CLEC7A (Dectin-1) pathway that connects SYK activation to CARD9 recruitment. PLCG2 is activated upon CLEC7A engagement and triggers an intracellular Ca²⁺ flux. SYK and Src family kinases are upstream of PLCG2 (Xu et al. 2009, Tassi et al. 2009, Gorjestani et al. 2011). SYK phosphorylates PLCG2 on Y753 and Y759, enhancing the activity of PLCG2 (Suzuki-Inoue et al. 2004).

Preceded by: SYK binds p-Y15-CLEC7A:1,3-beta-D-glucan

Followed by: p-Y753,Y759-PLCG2 translocates from cytosol to plasma membrane

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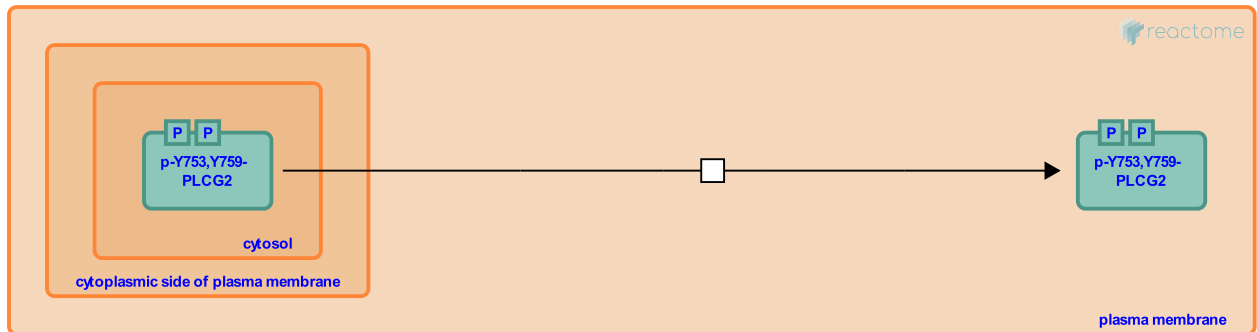
p-Y753,Y759-PLCG2 translocates from cytosol to plasma membrane ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607755

Type: transition

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



Tyrosine-phosphorylated Phospholipase C-gamma 2 (PLCG2) translocates from the cytosol to the plasma membrane. At the membrane PLCG2 is in close proximity to phosphatidylinositol 4,5-bisphosphate (PIP2) and its other substrates generating the second messengers IP3 and DAG (Rhee 2001). This leads to the activation of CARD9-BCL10-MALT1/NF-kB signaling and stimulates calcineurin/NFAT signaling.

Preceded by: 1,3-beta-D-glucan:p-Y15-CLEC7A:SYK phosphorylates PLCG

Followed by: p-Y753,Y759-PLCG2 hydrolyses PIP2

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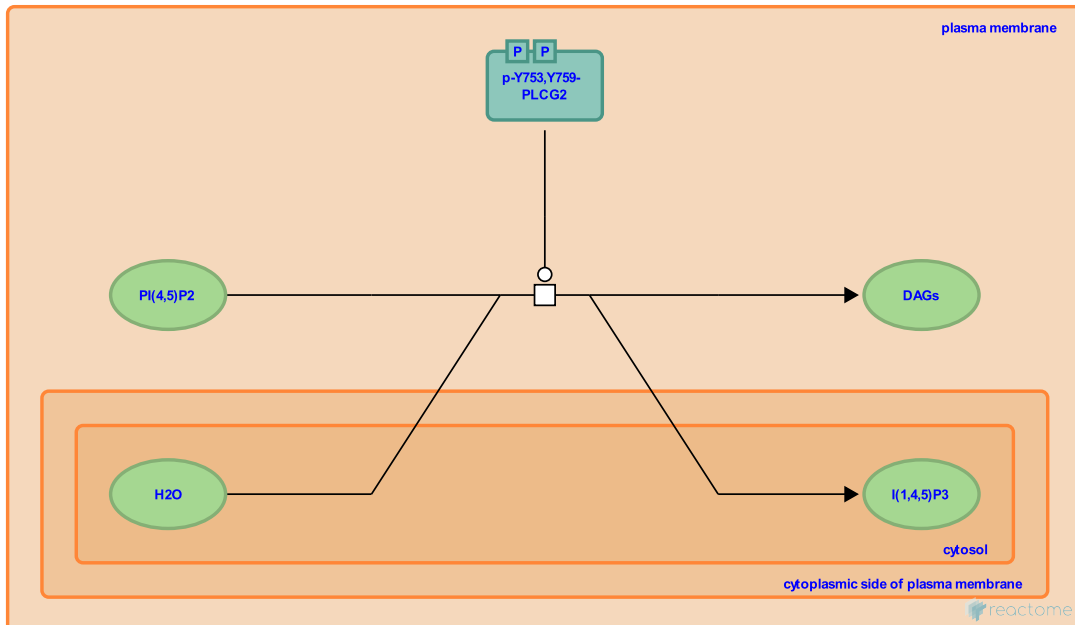
p-Y753,Y759-PLCG2 hydrolyses PIP2 ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607735

Type: transition

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



Following tyrosine phosphorylation, phospholipase C-gamma 2 (PLCG2) catalyzes the hydrolysis of phosphatidylinositol 4,5-bisphosphate [PtdIns(4,5)P2 or PIP2] to inositol 1,4,5-trisphosphate (IP3) and diacylglycerol (DAG).

Preceded by: p-Y753,Y759-PLCG2 translocates from cytosol to plasma membrane

Followed by: PKC-delta translocates to plasma membrane

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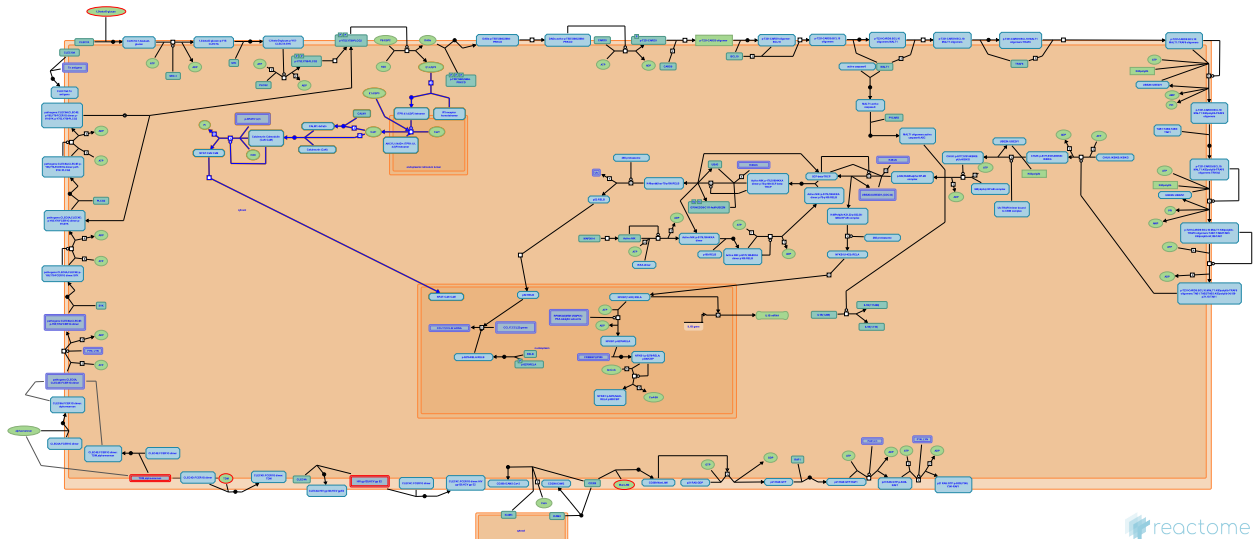
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CLEC7A (Dectin-1) induces NFAT activation ↗

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Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607763

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signals through the classic calcineurin/NFAT pathway through Syk activation phospholipase C-gamma 2 (PLCG2) leading to increased soluble IP3 (inositol trisphosphate). IP3 is able to bind endoplasmic Ca²⁺ channels, resulting in an influx of Ca²⁺ into the cytoplasm. This increase in calcium concentration induces calcineurin activation and consequently, dephosphorylation of NFAT and its translocation into the nucleus, triggering gene transcription and extracellular release of Interleukin-2 (Plato et al. 2013, Goodridge et al. 2007, Mourao-Sa et al. 2011).

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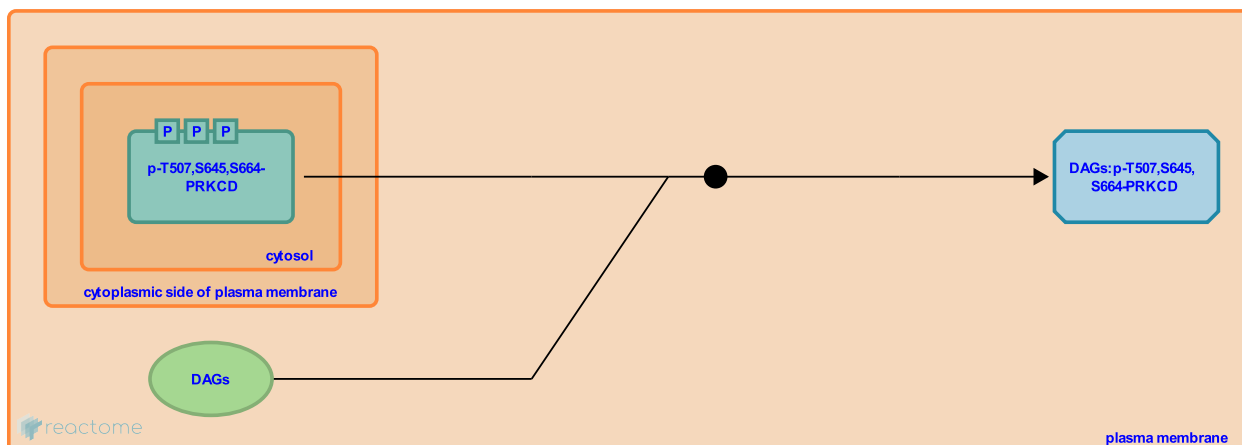
PKC-delta translocates to plasma membrane ↗

Location: [CLEC7A \(Dectin-1\) signaling](#)

Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607734

Type: binding

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



Protein kinase C-delta (PRKCD), activated upon CLEC7A (Dectin-1)-SYK signaling, phosphorylates CARD9 leading to NF- κ B activation (Strasser et al. 2012) and complex formation between CARD9 and BCL10. CLEC6A (Dectin-2) and CLEC4E (Mincle) also induces intracellular signaling through PRKCD and CARD9-BCL10-MALT1 pathway. Similar to the CLEC7A responses, both CLEC6A and CLEC4E-induced interleukin 10 (IL10) and tumour necrotic factor (TNF) production were severely impaired in the absence of PRKCD (Strasser et al. 2012). PRKCD is a member of the Ca²⁺ independent and diacylglycerol (DAG) dependent novel PKC subfamily. PKC family members exist in an immature inactive conformation that requires post-translational modifications to achieve catalytic maturity. The catalytic maturation of PRKCD involves the auto-phosphorylation of Ser645 and the phosphorylation of Thr507 and Ser664 (Li et al. 1997, Keranen et al. 1995). These phosphorylations of activation loop residues act as a priming step that allows the catalytic maturation of PRKCD (Dutil et al. 1998). Fully phosphorylated and primed PRKCD localises to the cytosol with its pseudosubstrate occupying the substrate-binding cavity. Signals that cause the lipid hydrolysis recruit PKC to membranes. The C1 domain in PRKCD is a cysteine-rich compact structure, identified as the interaction site for DAG and phorbol ester. PRKCD preferentially translocates to the plasma membrane (Stahelin et al. 2004, Newton 2010).

Preceded by: [p-Y753,Y759-PLCG2 hydrolyses PIP2](#)

Followed by: [PKC-delta is activated](#)

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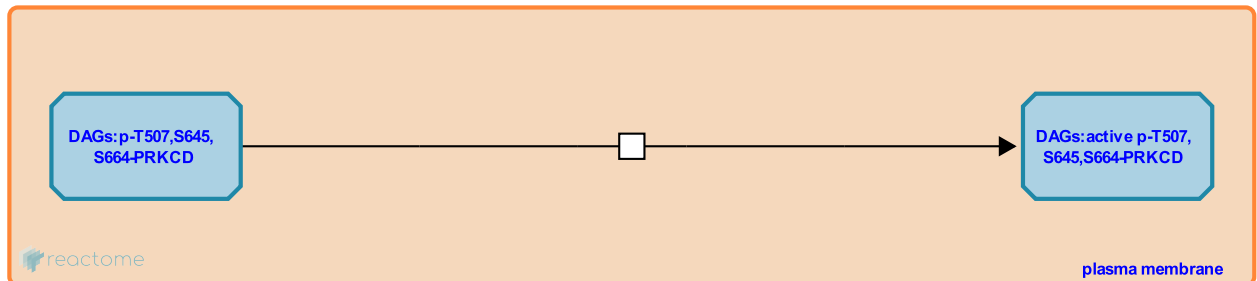
PKC-delta is activated ↗

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Type: transition

Compartments: plasma membrane



Membrane-bound PKC adopts an open conformation, in which the pseudosubstrate is released from the kinase domain, allowing downstream signaling (Newton 2010).

Preceded by: [PKC-delta translocates to plasma membrane](#)

Followed by: [PKC-delta phosphorylates CARD9](#)

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Newton, AC. (2010). Protein kinase C: poised to signal. *Am. J. Physiol. Endocrinol. Metab.*, 298, E395-402. ↗

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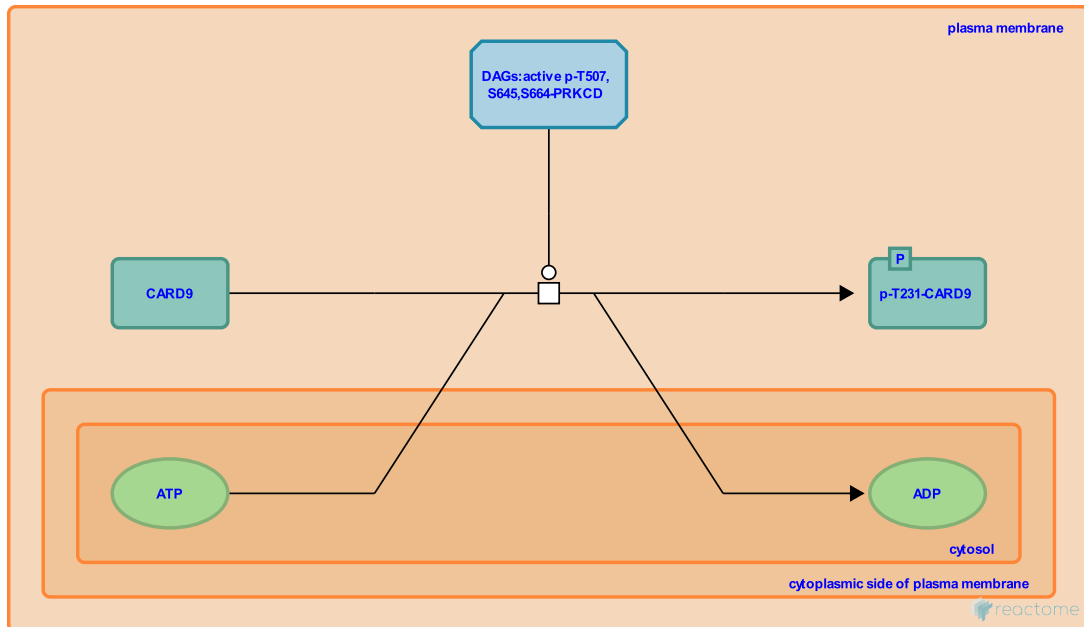
PKC-delta phosphorylates CARD9 ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607740

Type: transition

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



Activation of NF- κ B signaling is a critical event downstream of CLEC7A (Dectin-1), CLEC6A (Dectin-2) (Bi et al. 2010) and CLEC4E (Mincle) (Yamasaki et al. 2008), requiring the adapter protein Caspase recruitment domain (CARD)-containing protein 9 (CARD9) in dendritic cells and in macrophages (Gross et al. 2006, Hara et al. 2007). CARD9 is analogous to CARD-containing MAGUK protein 1 (CARMA1), which mediates T-cell receptor (TCR) activation of NF- κ B in lymphocytes. CARD9 is downstream of SYK and becomes phosphorylated by PRKCD (Protein kinase C-delta) phosphorylates CARD9 on Thr-231 (T231), which is required for the signal-induced association of CARD9 with B-cell lymphoma 10 (BCL10) and Mucosa-associated lymphoid tissue 1 (MALT1) and the subsequent recruitment of MAP3K transforming growth factor beta activated kinase 1 (TAK1), leading to activation of the NF- κ B pathway (Strasser et al. 2012). A homozygous loss-of-function mutation in human CARD9 results in a premature termination codon (Gln295*). Patients with this mutation are highly susceptible to fungal infections (Glocker et al. 2009).

Preceded by: PKC-delta is activated

Followed by: CARD9 oligomerizes

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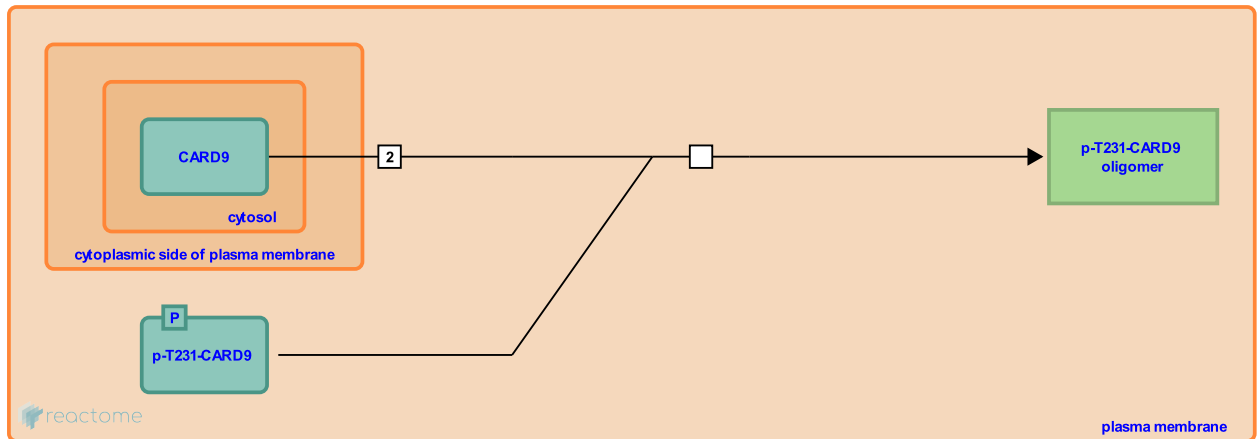
CARD9 oligomerizes ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

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Type: transition

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



Activated CARD9 localised in lipid rafts may self-associate with other CARD9 molecules (oligomerization). Residues 140-420 of CARD9 contain heptad repeats characteristic of coiled-coil structures that function in protein oligomerization (Bertin et al. 2000).

Preceded by: PKC-delta phosphorylates CARD9

Followed by: BCL10 binds CARD9

Literature references

Alnemri, ES., Du, MQ., Robison, KE., Srinivasula, SM., DiStefano, PS., Dyer, MJ. et al. (2000). CARD9 is a novel caspase recruitment domain-containing protein that interacts with BCL10/CLAP and activates NF-kappa B. *J. Biol. Chem.*, 275, 41082-6. ↗

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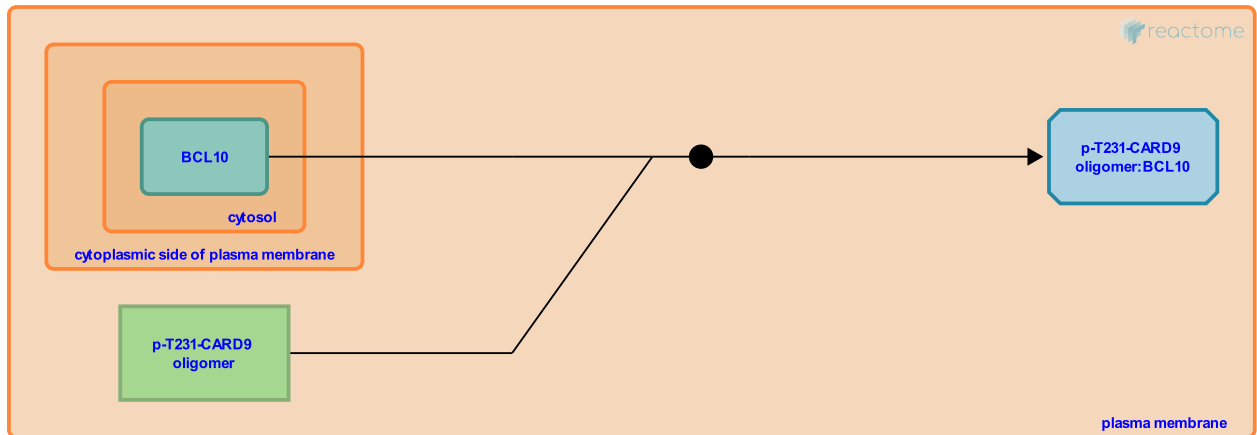
BCL10 binds CARD9 ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607733

Type: binding

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



B-cell lymphoma/leukemia 10 (BCL10) is the downstream signaling partner of CARD9 and it interacts selectively with the CARD activation domain of CARD9. BCL10 functions as an adaptor between the effector IKK complex and the proximal signaling complexes that interact with CARD9 (Bertin et al. 2000).

Preceded by: CARD9 oligomerizes

Followed by: BCL10 oligomerizes

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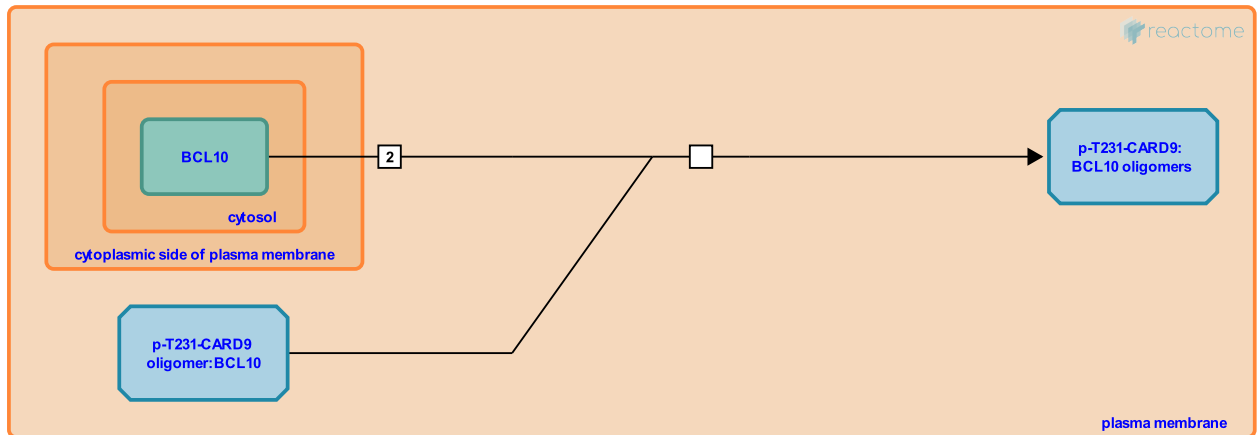
BCL10 oligomerizes ↗

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Type: transition

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



CARD interactions between CARD9 and BCL10 induce BCL10 oligomerization (through its CARD domain), required for oligomerization and activation of MALT1.

Preceded by: BCL10 binds CARD9

Followed by: MALT1 binds BCL10

Literature references

Nunez, G., Merino, J., Inohara, N., Hottiger, MO., Carrio, R., Chen, S. et al. (1999). CIPER, a novel NF kappaB-activating protein containing a caspase recruitment domain with homology to Herpesvirus-2 protein E10. *J. Biol. Chem.*, 274, 9955-61. ↗

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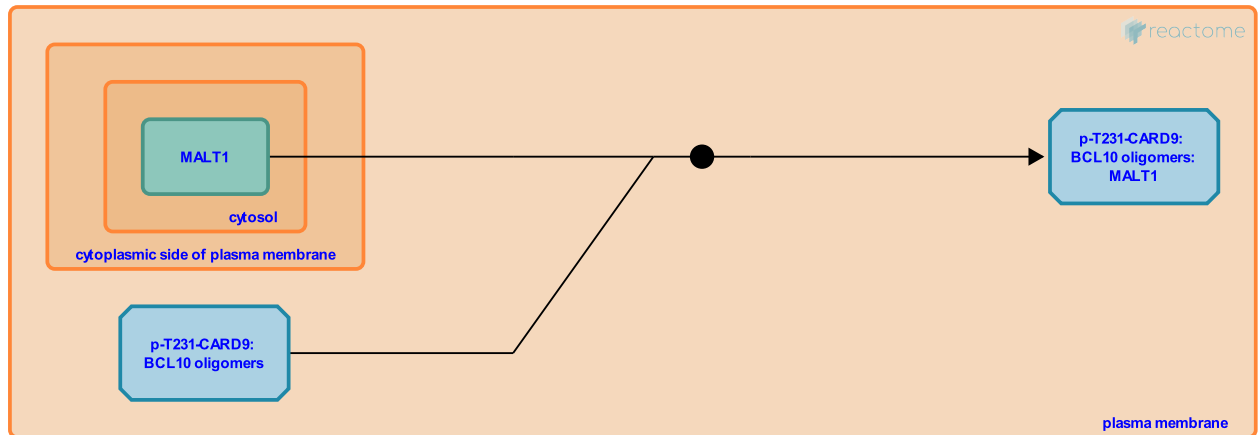
MALT1 binds BCL10 ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607744

Type: binding

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



Mucosa-associated lymphoid tissue lymphoma translocation protein 1 (MALT1) is the main downstream target of BCL10. MALT1 interacts directly with BCL10 and this interaction involves a short stretch of amino acids that follow the BCL10 CARD motif (amino acids 107–119 of human BCL10) and the two immunoglobulin-like domains of MALT1 (Uren et al. 2000, Lucas et al. 2001).

Preceded by: BCL10 oligomerizes

Followed by: MALT1 oligomerizes

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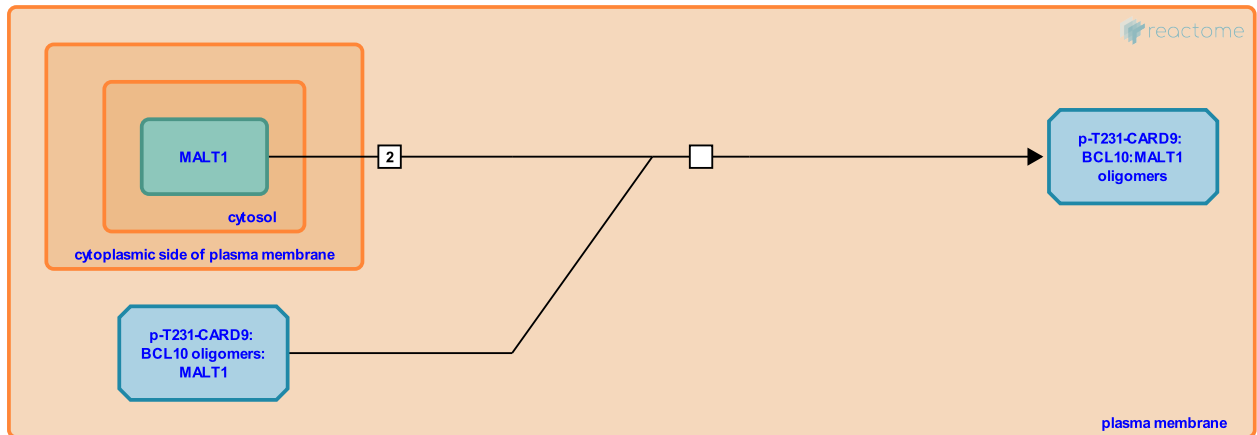
MALT1 oligomerizes ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

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Type: transition

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



After binding BCL10, MALT1 also undergoes oligomerization. Like traditional caspases, MALT1 also becomes activated through the formation of oligomers. Once the CARD9-BCL10-MALT1 (CBM) signalosome is assembled, MALT1 functions as the effector protein and mediates activation of the IKK complex (McAllister-Lucas & Lucas 2008).

Preceded by: [MALT1 binds BCL10](#)

Followed by: [TRAF6 binds MALT1 oligomers](#)

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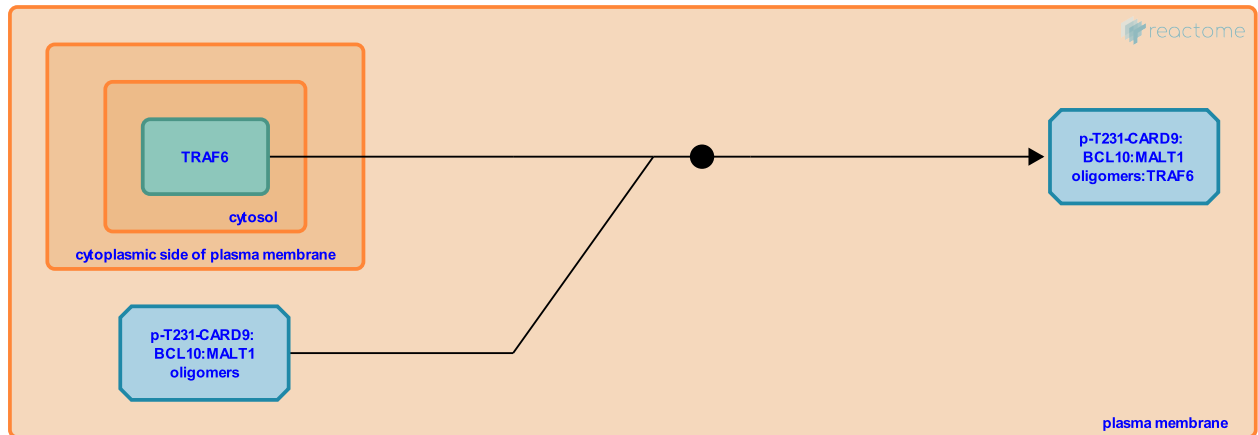
TRAF6 binds MALT1 oligomers ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607747

Type: binding

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



TRAF6 (tumor necrosis factor receptor-associated factor 6) is a RING (really interesting new gene) domain ubiquitin (Ub) ligase that mediates NF- κ B activation by regulating the ubiquitination of transforming growth factor beta-activated kinase (TAK1) and I κ B kinase (IKK). TRAF6 has been implicated as downstream effector of MALT1. MALT1 binds to TRAF6 through two putative C-terminal TRAF6-binding motifs (Sun et al. 2004). Gorjestani et al. demonstrate that TRAF6 and TAK1 are required for C-type lectin receptor-induced NF- κ B activation and play critical roles in anti-fungal innate immune responses (Gorjestani et al. 2012).

Preceded by: MALT1 oligomerizes

Followed by: TRAF6 oligomerizes

Literature references

Deng, L., Chen, ZJ., Sun, L., Xia, ZP., Ea, CK. (2004). The TRAF6 ubiquitin ligase and TAK1 kinase mediate IKK activation by BCL10 and MALT1 in T lymphocytes. *Mol Cell*, 14, 289-301. ↗

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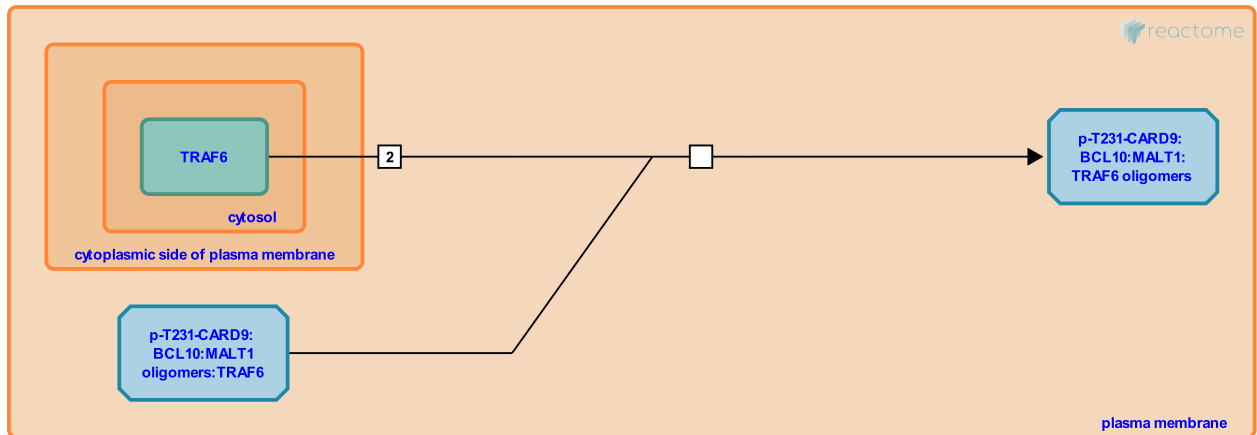
TRAF6 oligomerizes ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607751

Type: transition

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



The MALT1 oligomers bound to TRAF6 induce TRAF6 oligomerization and activate TRAF6 E3 ubiquitin ligase activity (Sun et al. 2004).

Preceded by: TRAF6 binds MALT1 oligomers

Followed by: TRAF6 oligomer autoubiquitinates

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Deng, L., Chen, ZJ., Sun, L., Xia, ZP., Ea, CK. (2004). The TRAF6 ubiquitin ligase and TAK1 kinase mediate IKK activation by BCL10 and MALT1 in T lymphocytes. *Mol Cell*, 14, 289-301. ↗

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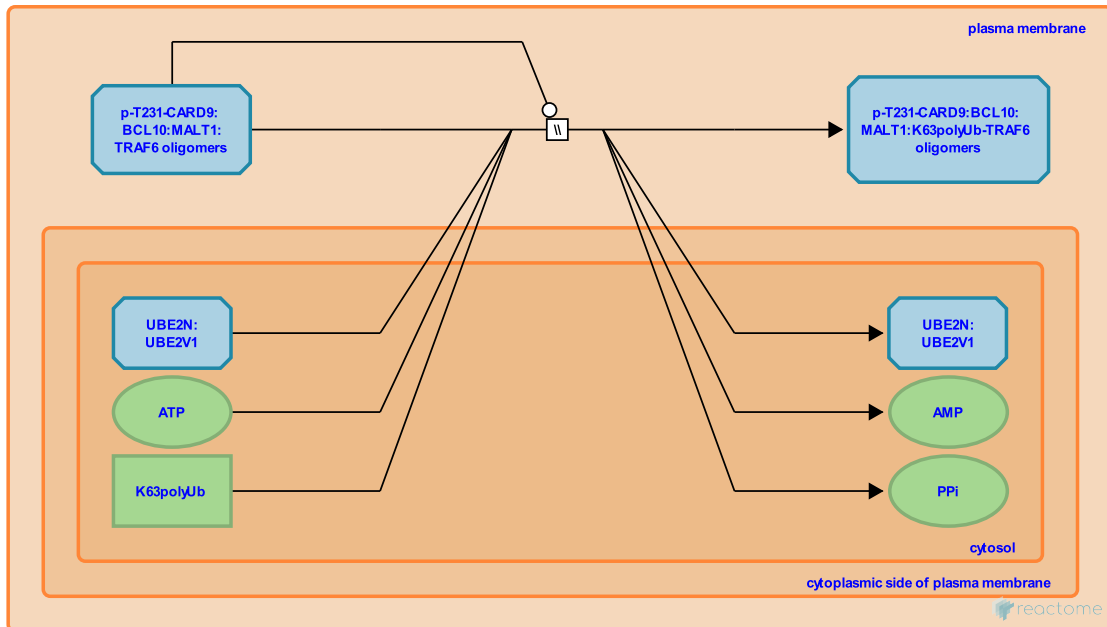
TRAF6 oligomer autoubiquitinates ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607756

Type: omitted

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



TRAF6 possesses ubiquitin ligase activity and undergoes K-63-linked auto-ubiquitination after its oligomerization. In the first step, ubiquitin is activated by an E1 ubiquitin activating enzyme. The activated ubiquitin is transferred to a E2 conjugating enzyme (a heterodimer of proteins Ubc13 and Uev1A also known as TRIKA1 (TRAF6-regulated IKK activator 1)) forming the E2-Ub thioester. Finally, in the presence of ubiquitin-protein ligase E3 (TRAF6, a RING-domain E3), ubiquitin is attached to the target protein (TRAF6 on residue Lysine 124) through an isopeptide bond between the C-terminus of ubiquitin and the epsilon-amino group of a lysine residue in the target protein (Deng et al. 2000, Lamothe et al. 2007). In contrast to K-48-linked ubiquitination that leads to the proteosomal degradation of the target protein, K-63-linked polyubiquitin chains act as a scaffold to assemble protein kinase complexes and mediate their activation through proteasome-independent mechanisms. This K63 polyubiquitinated TRAF6 activates the TAK1 kinase complex.

Preceded by: TRAF6 oligomerizes

Followed by: TRIKA2 binds K63polyUb-TRAF6 oligomer

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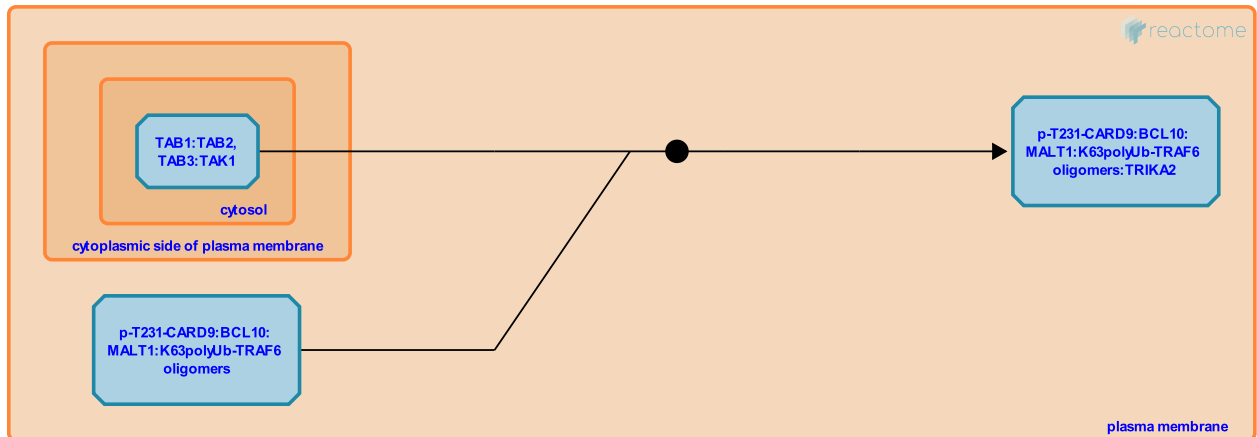
TRIKA2 binds K63polyUb-TRAF6 oligomer ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607759

Type: binding

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



K-63 linked polyubiquitin (pUb) chain on TRAF6 provides a scaffold to recruit downstream effector molecules to activate NF- κ B. Transforming growth factor beta-associated kinase 1 (TAK1) is a member of the mitogen-activated protein kinase (MAPK) kinase kinase family that is shown to be an essential intermediate that transmits the upstream signals from the receptor complex to the downstream MAPKs and to the NF- κ B pathway (Broglie et al. 2009). As a member of the MAP3K family, TAK1 is unique in that its activity requires its binding proteins TAK1-binding protein 1 (TAB1), TAB2 and TAB3. TAB1 acts as the kinase subunit of the TAK1 complex, aiding in the autophosphorylation of TAK1, whereas TAB2 and its homologue TAB3, acts as an adaptor of TAK1 that facilitate the assembly of TAK1 complex to TRAF6 (Takaesu et al. 2000, Ishitani et al. 2003). This protein kinase complex containing the kinase subunit TAK1 and the regulatory subunits TAB1 and TAB2/TAB3 is also known as TRIKA2 (TRAF6-regulated IKK activator 2) (Adhikari et al. 2007).

Preceded by: TRAF6 oligomer autoubiquitinates

Followed by: K63polyUb-TRAF6 ubiquitinates TAK1

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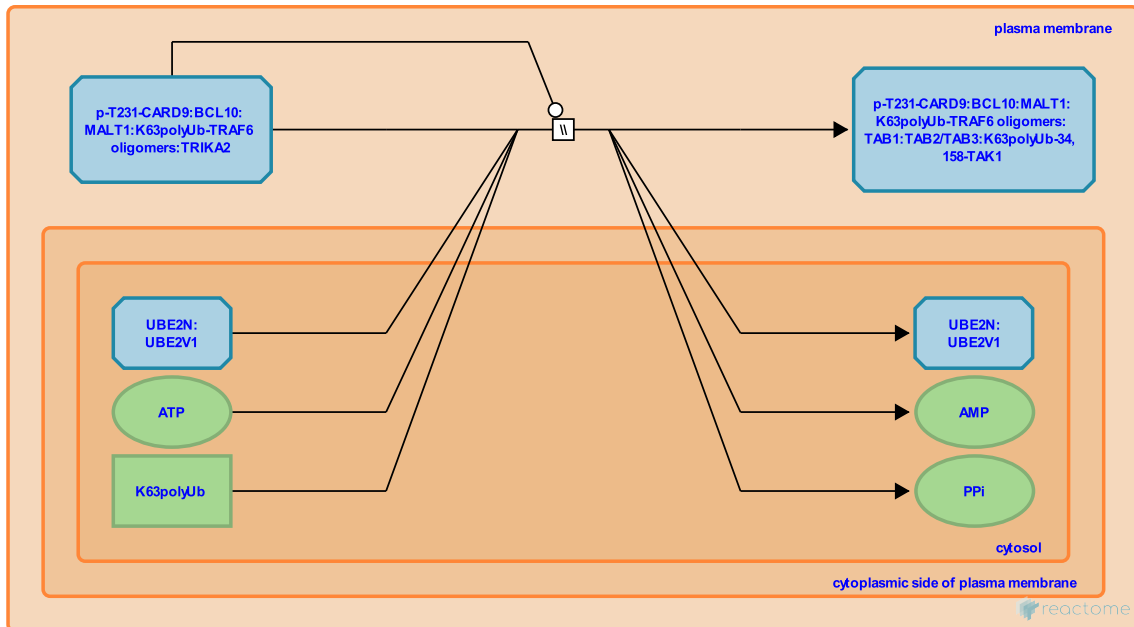
K63polyUb-TRAF6 ubiquitinates TAK1 ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607757

Type: omitted

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



TAK1-binding protein 2 (TAB2), or its homologue TAB3, binds preferentially to K63-linked polyubiquitin chains in TRAF6 and links TRAF6 (TNF receptor-associated factor 6) to TAK1 (Transforming growth factor beta-associated kinase 1). TRAF6 ubiquitinates TAK1 on K34 and K158 and this triggers conformational changes in TAK1 that lead to autophosphorylation and activation (Fan et al. 2010, Hamidi et al. 2011).

Preceded by: TRIKA2 binds K63polyUb-TRAF6 oligomer

Followed by: K63polyUb-TAK1 autophosphorylates

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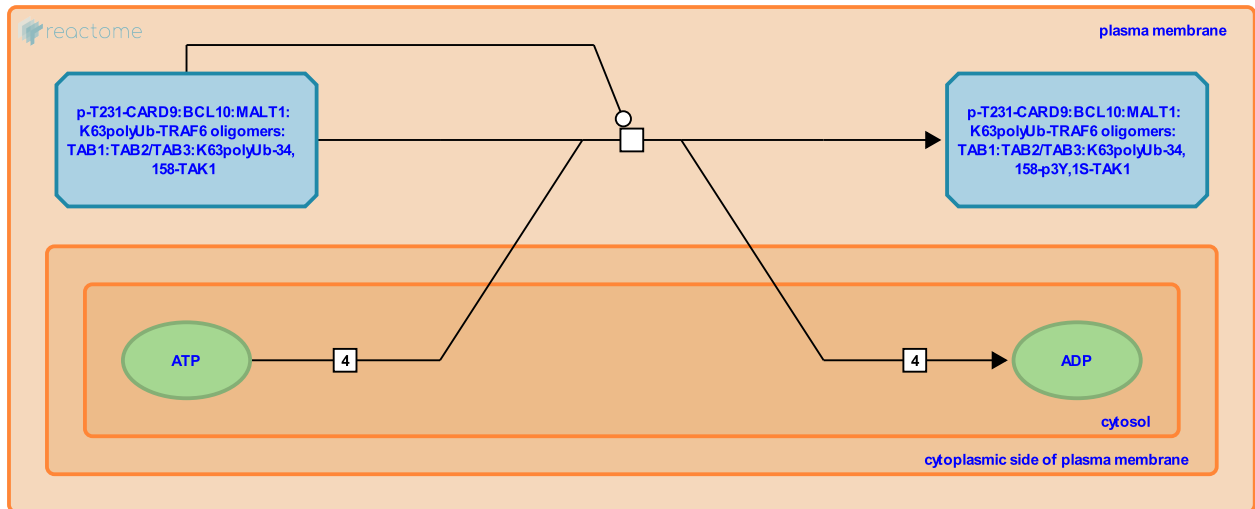
K63polyUb-TAK1 autophosphorylates ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607732

Type: transition

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



TAK1-binding protein 1 (TAB1) is a TAK1-interacting protein and induces TAK1 (Transforming growth factor beta-associated kinase 1) kinase activity through promoting autophosphorylation of key serine/threonine sites of the kinase activation loop. There are four phosphorylation sites in the activation loop and analysis of these site mutants indicate that autophosphorylation of S192, is followed by sequential phosphorylation of T178, T187, and finally T184 (Scholz et al. 2010).

Preceded by: K63polyUb-TRAF6 ubiquitinates TAK1

Followed by: K63polyUb-p-3T,1S-TAK1 phosphorylates IKK-beta

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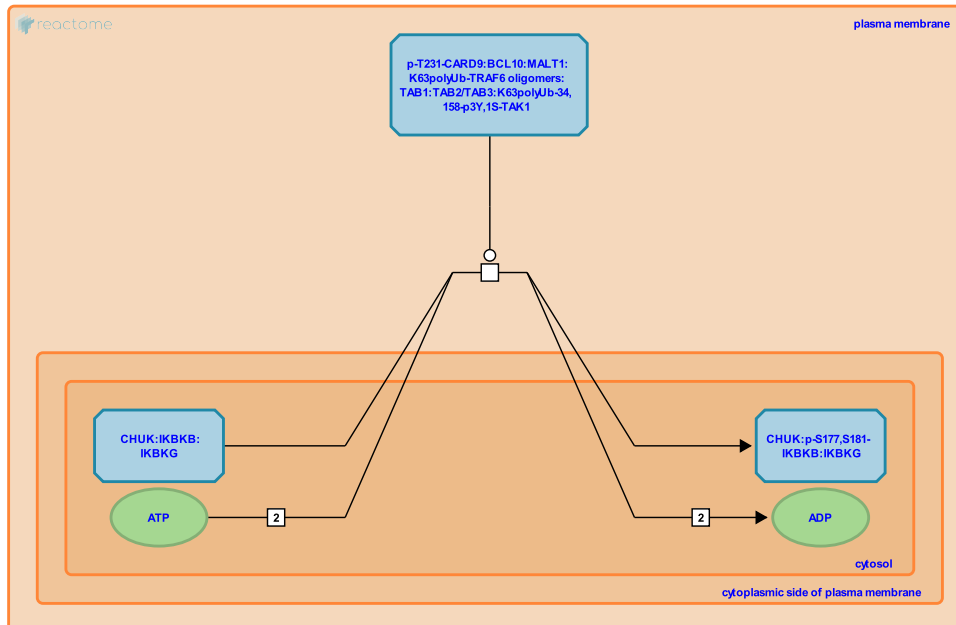
K63polyUb-p-3T,1S-TAK1 phosphorylates IKK-beta ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607742

Type: transition

Compartments: plasma membrane, cytosol



In humans, the I κ B kinase (IKK) complex serves as the master regulator for the activation of NF- κ B by various stimuli. It contains two catalytic subunits, IKK alpha and IKK beta, and a regulatory subunit, IKKgamma/NEMO. The activation of IKK complex is dependent on the phosphorylation of IKK alpha/beta at its activation loop and the K63-linked ubiquitination of NEMO. This basic trimolecular complex is referred to as the IKK complex. IKK subunits have a N-term kinase domain a leucine zipper (LZ) motifs, a helix-loop-helix (HLH) and a C-ter NEMO binding domain (NBD). IKK catalytic subunits are dimerized through their LZ motifs. IKK beta is the major IKK catalytic subunit for NF- κ B activation. Activated TAK1 phosphorylate IKK beta on S177 and S181 (S176 and S180 in IKK alpha) in the activation loop and thus activate the IKK kinase activity, leading to the I κ B alpha phosphorylation and NF- κ B activation.

Preceded by: K63polyUb-TAK1 autophosphorylates

Followed by: Ubiquitination of NEMO by TRAF6

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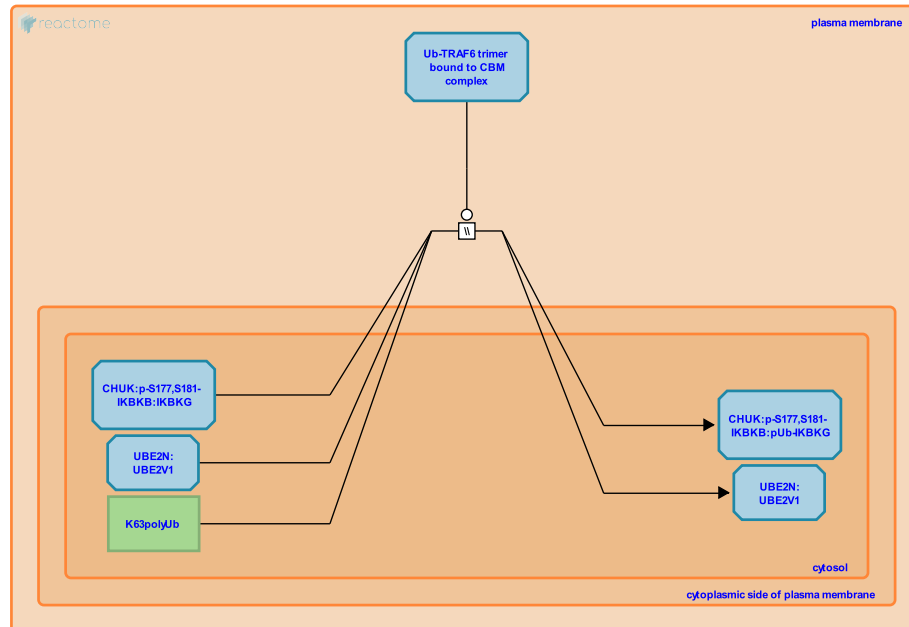
Ubiquitination of NEMO by TRAF6 [↗](#)

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

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Type: omitted

Compartments: plasma membrane



During the phosphorylation of the IKK beta, the regulatory subunit NEMO undergoes K-63-linked polyubiquitination. Ubiquitinated TRAF6 trimer, acts as a E3 ligase and induces this ubiquitination. The ubiquitin target sites in NEMO are not yet clearly identified. Studies of different NF- κ B signaling pathways revealed several potential ubiquitination sites on NEMO (e.g., K285, K277, K309 and K399) (Fuminori et al. 2009).

Preceded by: [K63polyUb-p-3T,1S-TAK1 phosphorylates IKK-beta](#)

Followed by: [p-S177,S181-IKKB:IKKA:pUb-NEMO phosphorylates I \$\kappa\$ B-alpha:NF- \$\kappa\$ B](#)

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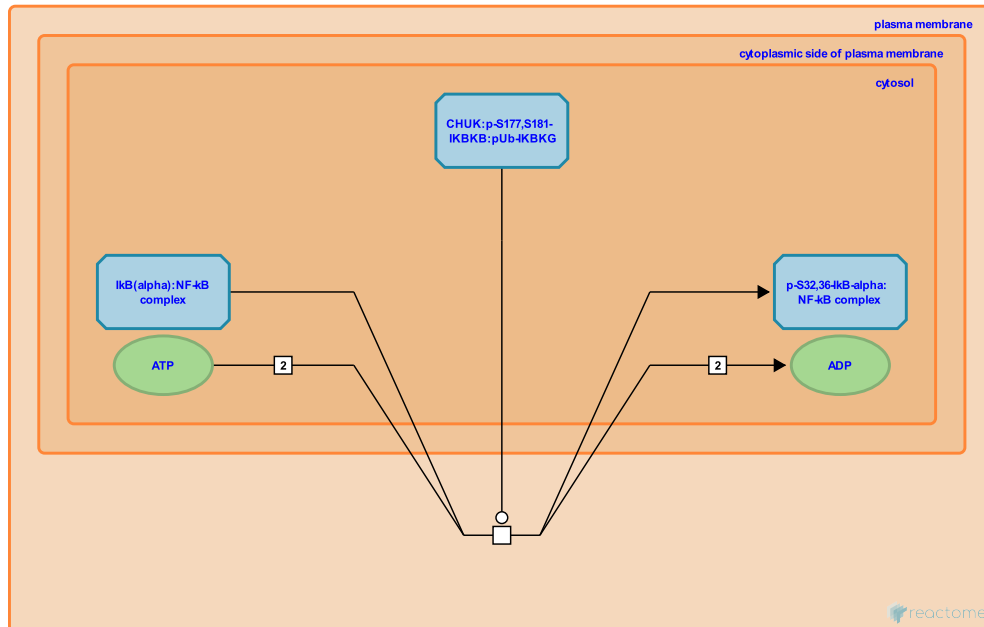
p-S177,S181-IKKB:IKKA:pUb-NEMO phosphorylates IκB-alpha:NF-κB ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

Stable identifier: R-HSA-202541

Type: transition

Compartments: plasma membrane



NF-κB is sequestered in the cytosol of unstimulated cells through the interactions with a class of inhibitor proteins, called IκBs, which mask the nuclear localization signal (NLS) of NF-κB and prevent its nuclear translocation. A key event in NF-κB activation involves phosphorylation of IκB (at sites equivalent to Ser32 and Ser36 of IκB-alpha or Ser19 and Ser22 of IκB-beta) by IKK. The phosphorylated IκB-alpha is recognized by the E3 ligase complex and targeted for ubiquitin-mediated proteasomal degradation, releasing the NF-κB dimer p50/p65 into the nucleus to turn on target genes. (Karin & Ben-Neriah 2000)

Preceded by: Ubiquitination of NEMO by TRAF6

Followed by: beta-TRCP ubiquitinates IκB-alpha in p-S32,33-IκB-alpha:NF-κB complex

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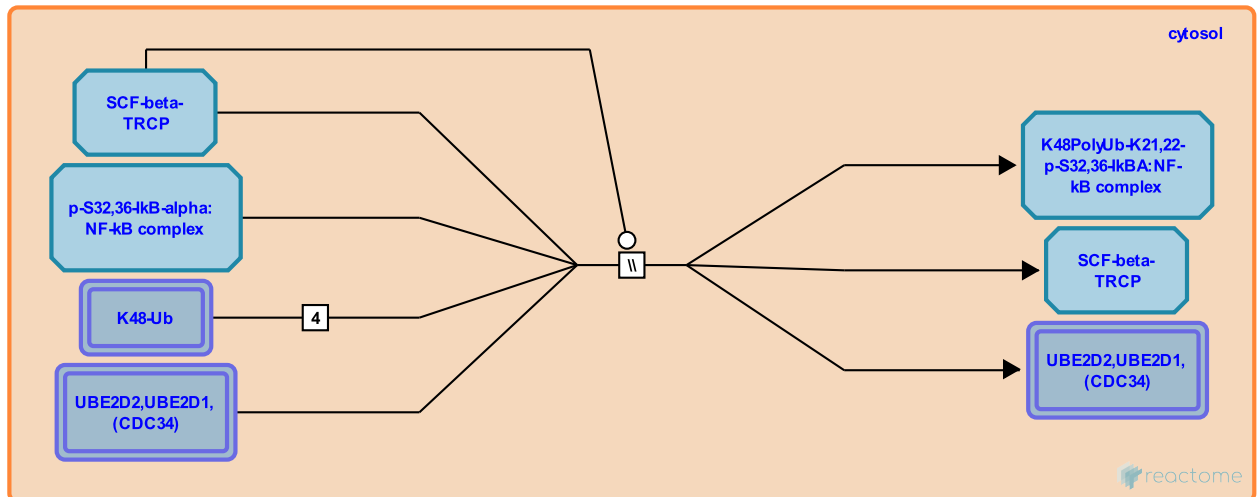
beta-TRCP ubiquitinates IκB-alpha in p-S32,33-IκB-alpha:NF-κB complex ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607728

Type: omitted

Compartments: cytosol



Two major signaling steps are required for the removal of IκappaB (IκB) alpha an inhibitor of NF-κB: activation of the IκB kinase (IKK) and degradation of the phosphorylated IκB alpha. IKK activation and IκB degradation involve different ubiquitination modes; the former is mediated by K63-ubiquitination and the later by K48-ubiquitination. Mutational analysis of IκB alpha has indicated that K21 and K22 are the primary sites for addition of multiubiquitination chains while K38 and K47 are the secondary sites. In a transesterification reaction the ubiquitin is transferred from the ubiquitin-activating enzyme (E1) to an E2 ubiquitin-conjugating enzyme, which may, in turn, transfer the ubiquitin to an E3 ubiquitin protein ligase. UBE2D2 (UBC4) or UBE2D1 (UBCH5) or CDC34 (UBC3) acts as the E2 and SCF (SKP1-CUL1-F-box)-beta-TRCP complex acts as the E3 ubiquitin ligase (Strack et al. 2000, Wu et al. 2010). beta-TRCP (beta-transducin repeats-containing protein) is the substrate recognition subunit for the SCF-beta-TRCP E3 ubiquitin ligase. beta-TRCP binds specifically to phosphorylated IκB alpha and recruits it to the SCF complex, allowing the associated E2, such as UBC4 and or UBCH5 to ubiquitinate Iκappa B alpha (Baldi et al. 1996, Rodriguez et al. 1996, Scherer et al. 1995, Alkalay et al. 1995).

Preceded by: p-S177,S181-IKKβ:IKKα:pUb-NEMO phosphorylates IκB-alpha:NF-κB

Followed by: 26S proteasome processes K48PolyUb-K21,22-p-S32,36-IκBA:NF-κB complex to form NF-κB complex

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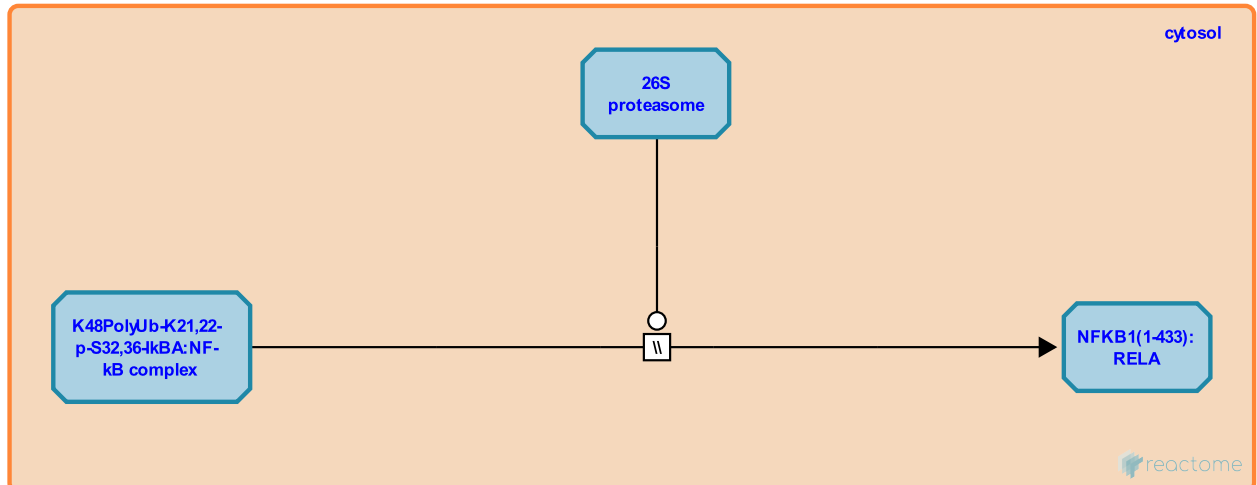
26S proteasome processes K48PolyUb-K21,22-p-S32,36-IkBA:NF-kB complex to form NF-kB complex ↗

Location: [CLEC7A \(Dectin-1\) signaling](#)

Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607724

Type: omitted

Compartments: cytosol



Following ubiquitination NF-kappa-B inhibitor alpha (NFKBIA or IκBα) is rapidly degraded by 26S-proteasome, allowing NF-kB to translocate into the nucleus where it activates gene transcription (Spencer et al. 1999).

Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus (SARS-CoV) 1a-encoded papain-like protease (PLPro or nsp3) was found to cleave Lys48-linked polyUb chains of NFKBIA (IκBα) (Békés M et al. 2016;Ratia K et al. 2014) suggesting an inhibitory effect of SARS-CoV-1 nsp3 on 26S proteasome-dependent degradation of NFKBIA.

Preceded by: [beta-TRCP ubiquitinates IkB-alpha in p-S32,33-IkB-alpha:NF-kB complex](#)

Followed by: [NFKB1:RELA translocates from the cytosol to the nucleus](#)

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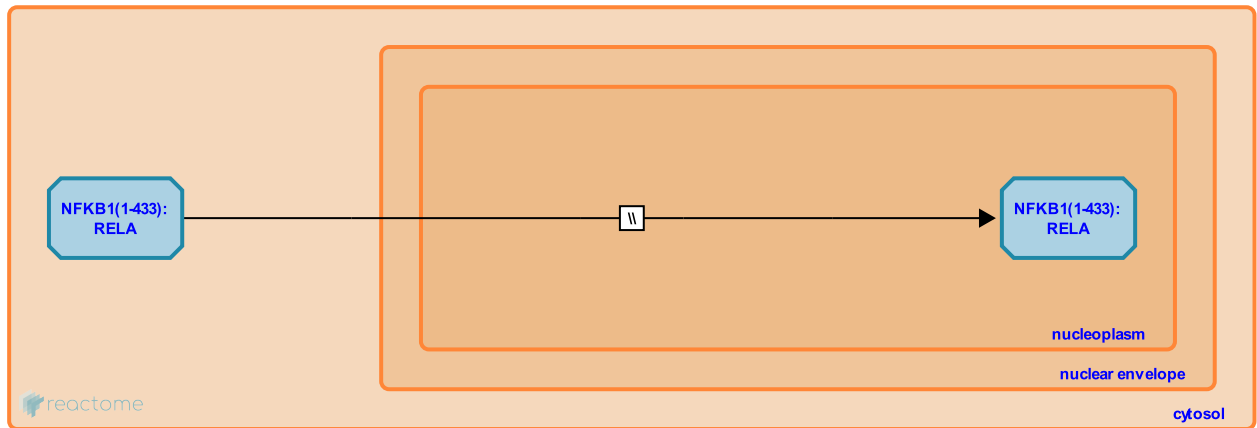
NFKB1:RELA translocates from the cytosol to the nucleus ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

Stable identifier: R-HSA-2730894

Type: omitted

Compartments: nucleoplasm, cytosol



The released NF- κ B transcription factor (p50/p65) with unmasked nuclear localization signal (NLS) moves in to the nucleus. Once in the nucleus, NF- κ B binds DNA and regulate the expression of genes encoding cytokines, cytokine receptors, and apoptotic regulators.

Preceded by: 26S proteasome processes K48PolyUb-K21,22-p-S32,36-I κ B α :NF- κ B complex to form NF- κ B complex

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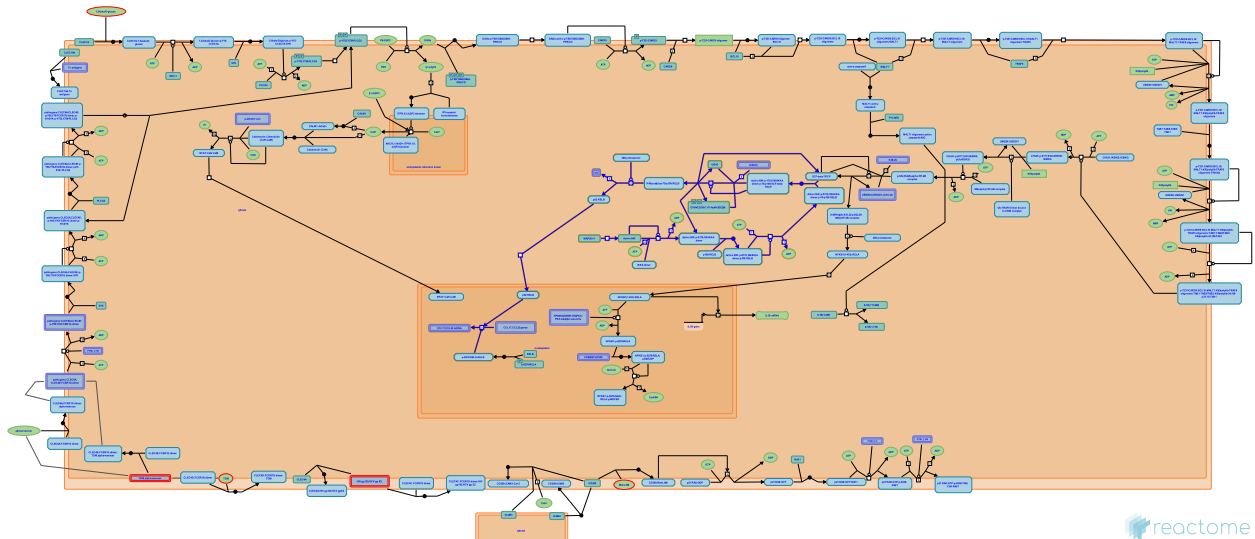
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Dectin-1 mediated noncanonical NF-kB signaling ↗

Location: CLEC7A (Dectin-1) signaling

Stable identifier: R-HSA-5607761

Compartments: nucleoplasm, cytosol



In addition to the activation of canonical NF-kB subunits, activation of SYK pathway by Dectin-1 leads to the induction of the non-canonical NF-kB pathway, which mediates the nuclear translocation of RELB-p52 dimers through the successive activation of NF-kB-inducing kinase (NIK) and IκB kinase-α (IKKα) (Geijtenbeek & Gringhuis 2009, Gringhuis et al. 2009). Noncanonical activity tends to build more slowly and remain sustained several hours longer than does the activation of canonical NF-kB. The noncanonical NF-kB pathway is characterized by the post-translational processing of NFKB2 (Nuclear factor NF-kappa-B) p100 subunit to the mature p52 subunit. This subsequently leads to nuclear translocation of p52:RELB (Transcription factor RelB) complexes to induce cytokine expression of some genes (C-C motif chemokine 17 (CCL17) and CCL22) and transcriptional repression of others (IL12B) (Gringhuis et al. 2009, Geijtenbeek & Gringhuis 2009, Plato et al. 2013).

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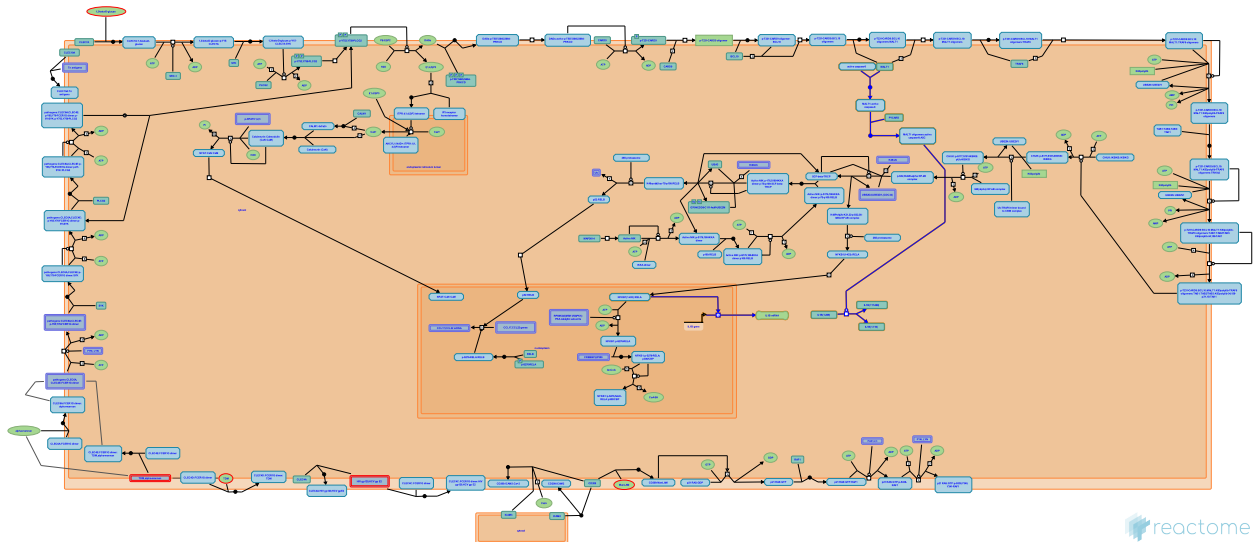
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Antifungal immunity through the induction of T-helper 17 cells (TH17) responses requires the production of mature, active interleukin-1beta (IL1B). CLEC7A (dectin-1) through the SYK route induces activation of NF-kB and transcription of the gene encoding pro-IL1B via the CARD9-BCL10-MALT1 complex as well as the formation and activation of a MALT1-caspase-8-ASC complex that mediated the processing of pro-IL1B. The inactive precursor pro-IL1B has to be processed into mature bioactive form of IL1B and is usually mediated by inflammatory cysteine protease caspase-1. Gringhuis et al. showed that CLEC7A mediated processing of IL1B occurs through two distinct mechanisms: CLEC7A triggering induced a primary noncanonical caspase-8 inflammasome for pro-IL1B processing that was independent of caspase-1 activity, whereas some fungi triggered a second additional mechanism that required activation of the NLRP3/caspase 1 inflammasome. Unlike the canonical caspase-1 inflammasome, CLEC7A mediated noncanonical caspase-8-dependent inflammasome is independent of pathogen internalization. CLEC7A/inflammasome pathway enables the host immune system to mount a protective TH17 response against fungi and bacterial infection (Gringhuis et al. 2012, Cheng et al. 2011).

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