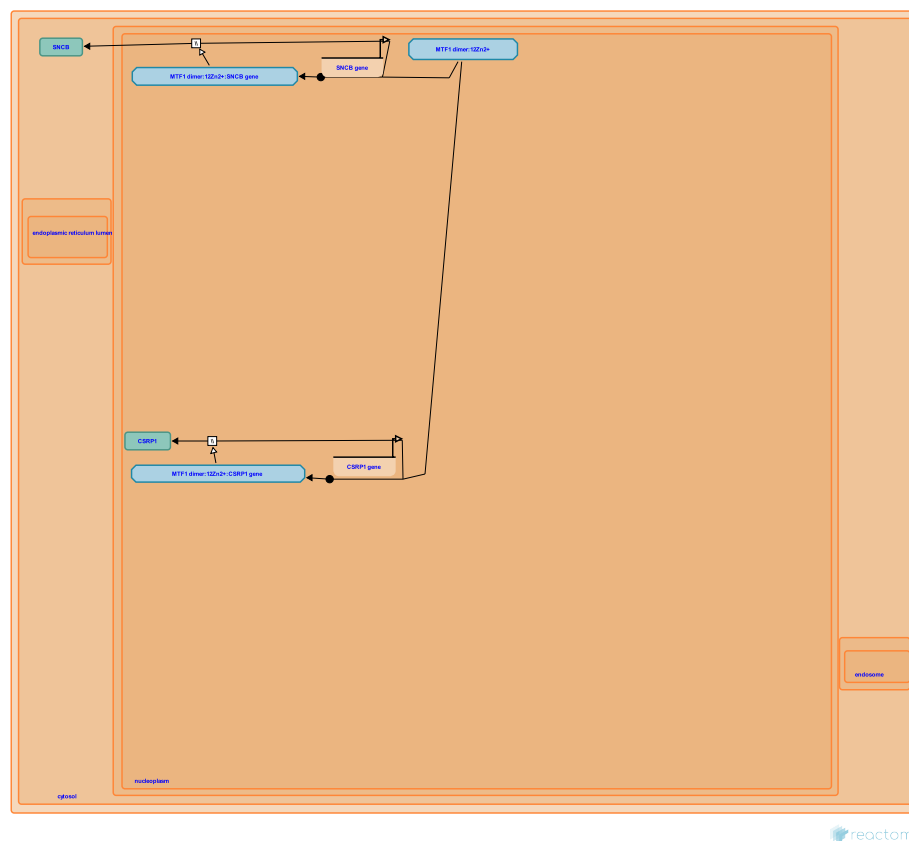


MTF1 activates gene expression



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Introduction

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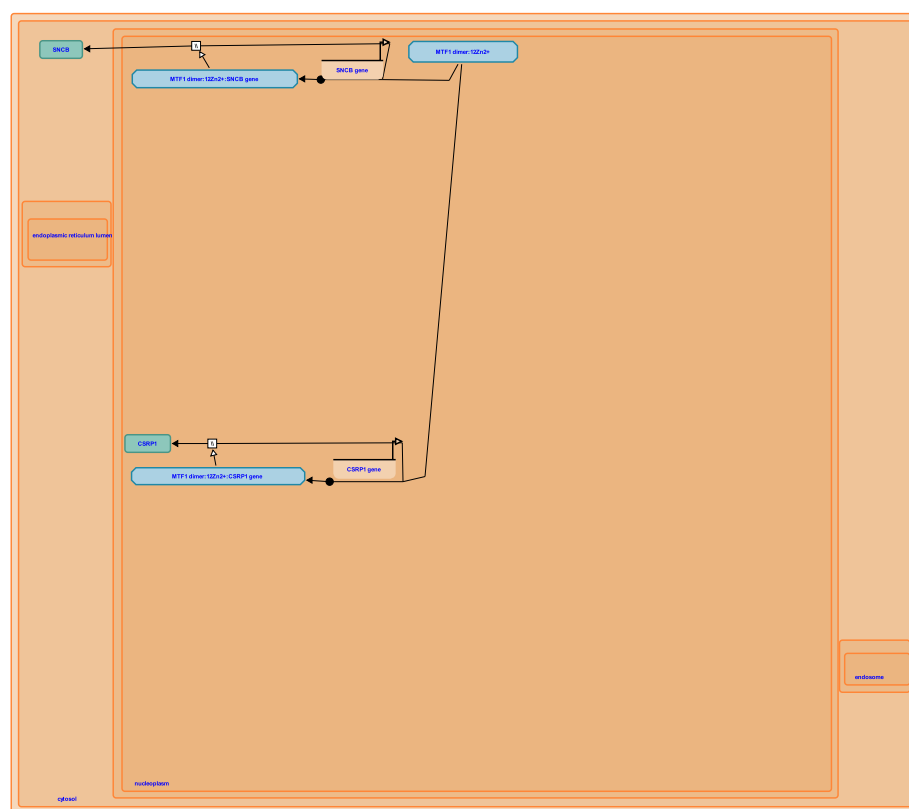
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The MTF1:zinc complex in the nucleus binds Metal Response Elements (MREs), DNA containing the core consensus sequence 5'-TGCRCNC-3', and activates or represses transcription depending on the context of the MRE (reviewed in Laity and Andrews 2007, Jackson et al. 2008, Gunther et al. 2012, Grzywacz et al. 2015). The 6 zinc fingers of each MTF1 monomer have different affinities for zinc and evidence from the mouse homolog indicates that different concentrations of zinc, and hence different metal loads in MTF1, activate different subsets of target genes (Wang et al. 2004, Dong et al. 2015). Genes activated by MTF1 include those encoding metallothioneins, zinc transporters, and stress-response proteins (Hardyman et al. 2016).

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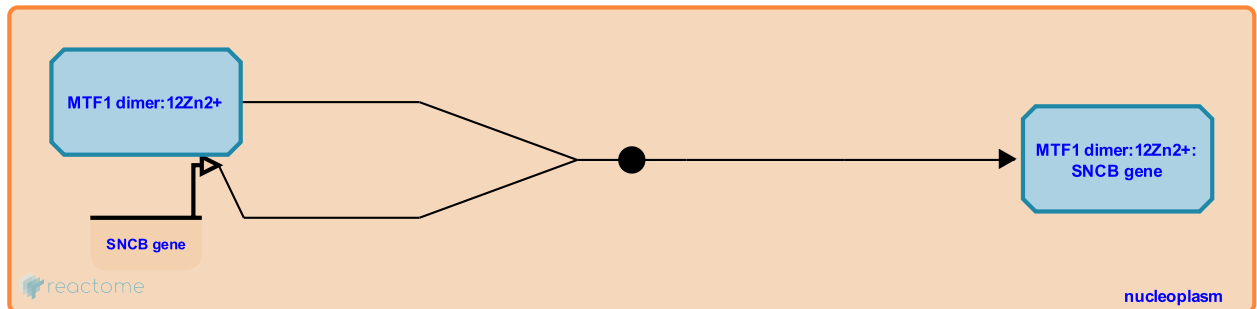
MTF1 dimer:12Zn2+ binds SNCB gene (beta-synuclein) ↗

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Type: binding

Compartments: nucleoplasm



The MTF1:zinc complex binds a metal response element in the promoter of the beta-synuclein (SNCB) gene and activates transcription in response to zinc (McHugh et al. 2011).

Followed by: [Expression of SNCB](#)

Literature references

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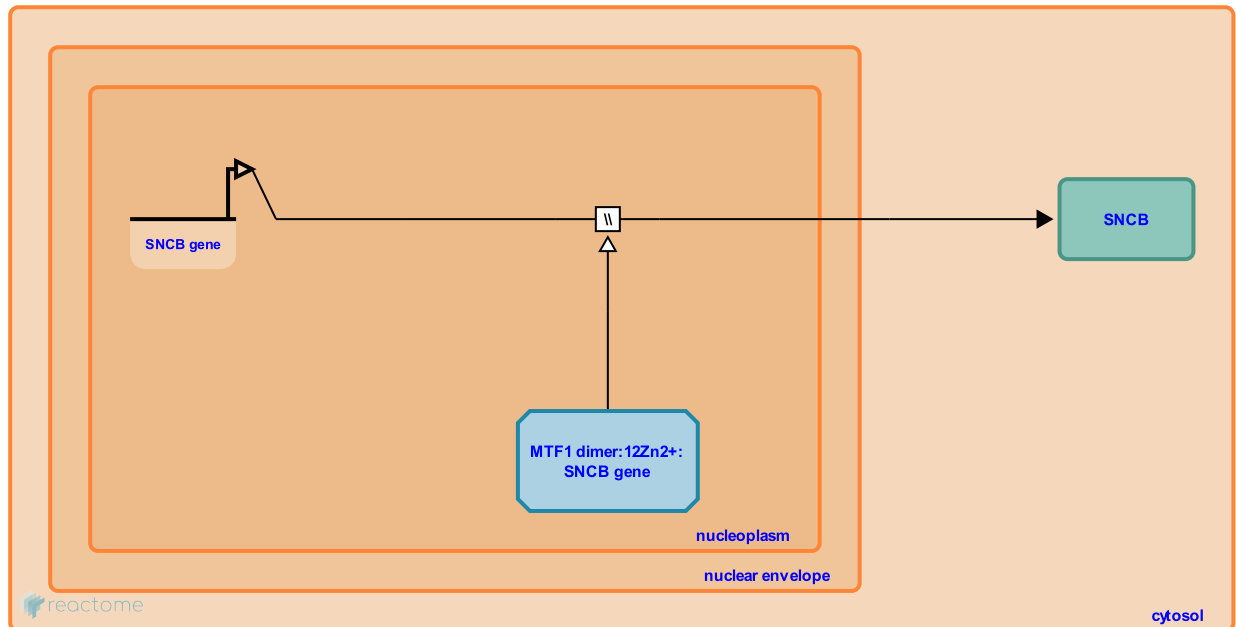
Expression of SNCB ↗

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The SNCB (beta-synuclein) gene is transcribed to yield mRNA which is translated to yield protein (Lavedan et al. 1998). Transcription of SNCB is up-regulated by copper via a metal response binding element in the 5' promoter that binds MTF1 (McHugh et al. 2011).

Preceded by: [MTF1 dimer:12Zn2+ binds SNCB gene \(beta-synuclein\)](#)

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MTF1 dimer:12Zn2+ binds CSRP1 gene ↗

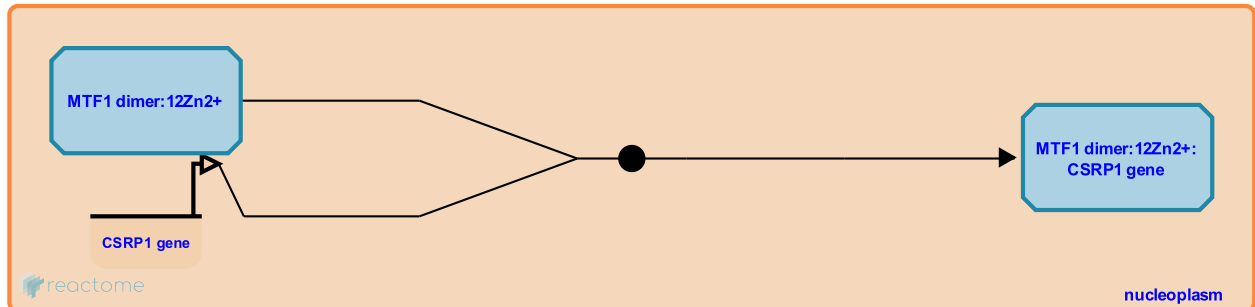
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Type: binding

Compartments: nucleoplasm

Inferred from: [Mtf1 dimer:12Zn2+ binds Csrp1 gene \(Mus musculus\)](#)



As inferred from the mouse homolog, the promoter of the CSRP1 gene contains 3 consensus metal response elements, at least one of which binds MTF1. Expression of CSRP1 is activated by cadmium via MTF1.

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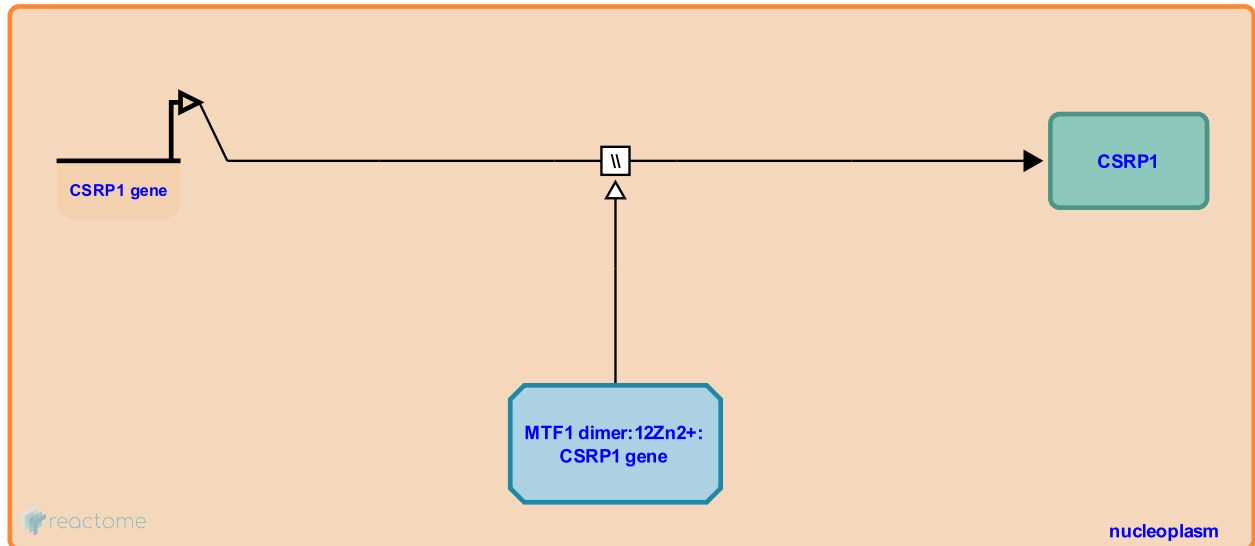
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Compartments: nucleoplasm

Inferred from: [Expression of Csrp1 \(Mus musculus\)](#)



The CSRP1 gene is transcribed to yield mRNA which is translated to yield protein. Expression of CSRP1 is activated by zinc via MTF1 (Hardyman et al. 2016). As inferred from the mouse homolog, expression of CSRP1 is activated by cadmium via MTF1.

As inferred from mouse homologs, MTF1 binds and activates the CSRP1 promoter (Wimmer et al. 2005).

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