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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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Essential metal ions act as co-factors that enable enzymes to catalyse a wider range of chemical transformations than would be achievable using solely organic catalysts. The precise metal requirements of organisms vary between species, environmental niches, metabolic states and circadian rhythms.

Metals are required cofactors for numerous processes that are essential to both pathogen and host. They are coordinated in enzymes responsible for DNA replication and transcription, relief from oxidative stress, and cellular respiration. However, excess transition metals can be toxic due to their ability to cause spontaneous redox cycling and disrupt normal metabolic processes. Vertebrates have evolved intricate mechanisms to limit the availability of some crucial metals while concurrently flooding sites of infection with antimicrobial concentrations of other metals. Both pathogens and hosts have complex regulatory systems for metal homeostasis. Understanding these provides strategies for fighting pathogens, either by excluding essential metals from the microbes, by delivery of excess metals to cause toxicity, or by complexing metals in microorganisms.

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NRAMP1 transports divalent metal ions across phagosomal membranes of macrophages **7**

Location: Ion influx/efflux at host-pathogen interface

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Type: transition

Compartments: late endosome membrane, phagocytic vesicle lumen, cytosol



Natural resistance-associated macrophage proteins (NRAMPs) regulate macrophage activation for antimicrobial activity against intracellular pathogens. They do this by mediating bivalent metal ion transport across macrophage membranes and the subsequent use of these ions in the Fenton/and or Haber–Weiss reactions of free radical formation.

The human gene SLC11A1 encodes NRAMP1 (Kishi F, 2004; Kishi F and Nobumoto M, 1995) which can utilize the protonmotive force to mediate divalent iron (Fe2+), zinc (Zn2+) and manganese (Mn2+) influx to or efflux from phagosomes.

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ATP7A transports cytosolic Cu2+ to phagosomal lumen ↗

Location: Ion influx/efflux at host-pathogen interface

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Type: transition

Compartments: phagocytic vesicle lumen, phagocytic vesicle membrane, cytosol



Copper is an essential cofactor of key metabolic enzymes (Linder MC & Hazegh-Azam M 1996). Under normal conditions, the biosynthetic incorporation of copper into secreted and plasma membrane-bound proteins requires activity of the copper-transporting P1B-type ATPases (Cu-ATPases), ATP7A and ATP7B (Camakaris J et al. 1999; La Fontaine S & Mercer JF 2007; Lutsenko S et al. 2007). The Cu-ATPases also export excess copper from the cell and thus critically contribute to the homeostatic control of copper (Camakaris J et al. 1999; La Fontaine S & Mercer JF 2007). However, during bacterial infection phagocytic cells accumulate copper Cu(I) in cytoplasmic vesicles that partially fuse with the phagolysosome, attacking invading microbes with toxic levels of Cu (Festa RA & Thiele DJ 2012). The accumulation of Cu(I) in the phagosome may be dependent upon the trafficking of ATP7A to the membranes of these vesicles (Fu Y et al. 2014). Silencing of ATP7A expression in mouse RAW264.7 macrophages attenuated bacterial killing, suggesting a role for ATP7A-dependent copper transport in the bactericidal activity of macrophages (White C et al. 2009). Copper toxicity targets iron-sulfur containing proteins via iron displacement from solvent-exposed iron-sulfur clusters (Macomber L & Imlay JA 2009; Chillappagari S et al. 2010; Djoko KY & McEwan AG 2013). Copper resistance has been shown to be required for virulence in two animal models of mycobacterial infection (Wolschendorf F et al. 2011; Shi X et al. 2014).

Mutations in the gene encoding ATP7A results in a severe copper-deficiency known as Menkes disease (Kaler SG 2011).

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