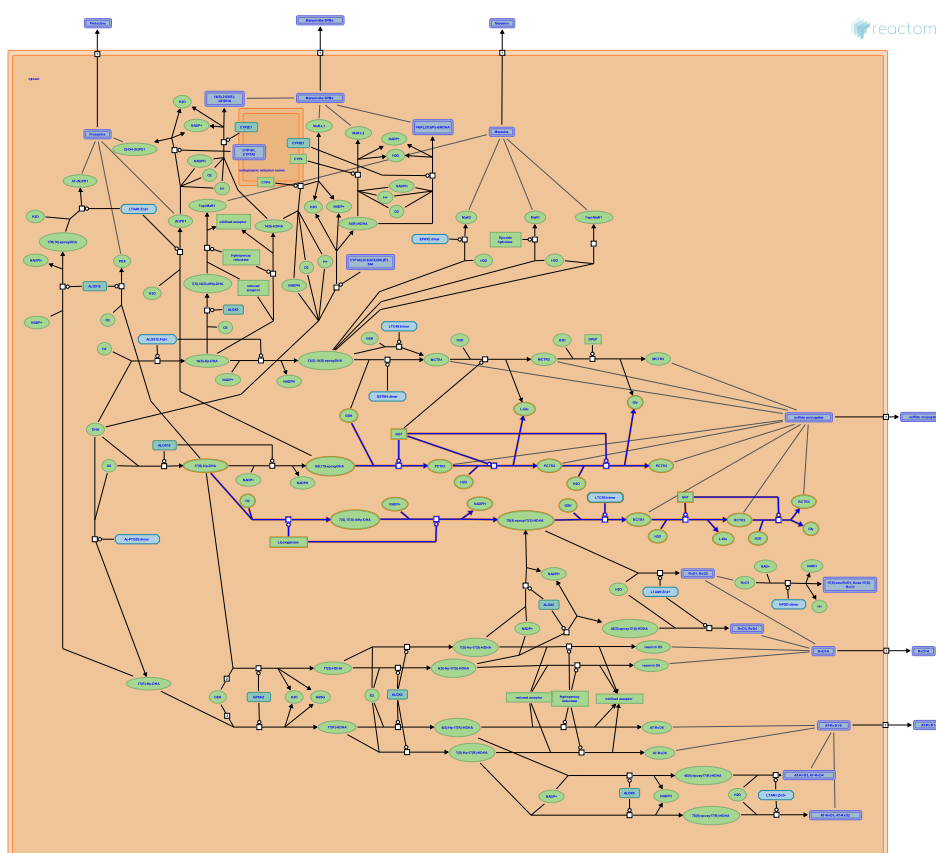


Biosynthesis of protectin and resolvins conjugates in tissue regeneration (PCTR and RCTR)



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Introduction

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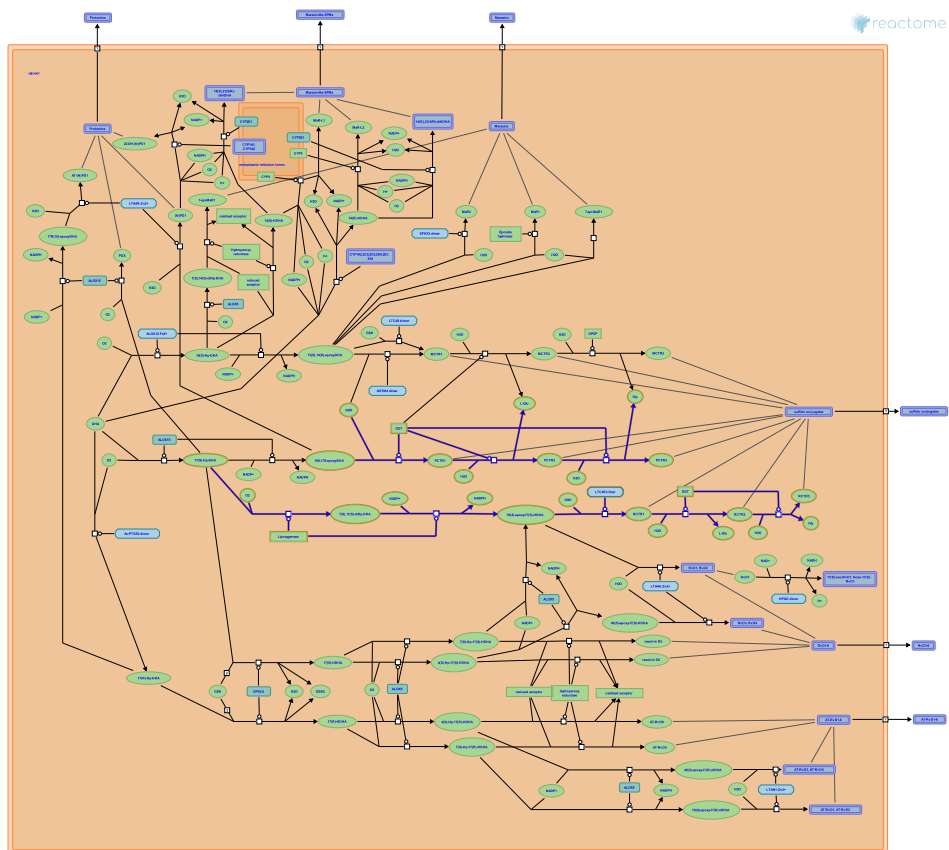
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Activated human macrophages and PMNs are able to produce 17-series sulfido-conjugated specialised proresolving mediators (SPMs) that are able to resolve acute inflammation and promote tissue regeneration. The ω -3 polyunsaturated fatty acid docosahexaenoic acid (DHA) is the source of these novel SPMs termed resolvin conjugates in tissue regeneration (RCTR) and protectin conjugates in tissue regeneration (PCTR). protectin conjugate in tissue regeneration PCTR and RCTR are thus named because they share proposed biosynthetic pathways, structural features, and biological actions with the DHA-derived protectins and resolvins (respectively) as well as displaying potent tissue-regenerative actions (Serhan et al. 2014).

The proposed biosynthetic pathways for PCTRs and RCTRs are described here (Dalli et al. 2015, Serhan et al. 2017). Mammalian lipoxygenases insert molecular oxygen predominantly in the S-stereochemistry, so the hydroxy groups at the 7- and 17-positions are presumed to be in the S-configuration. The R-containing diastereomers of these products may also possess biological activity in the resolution of inflammation and tissue regeneration but they are not described here.

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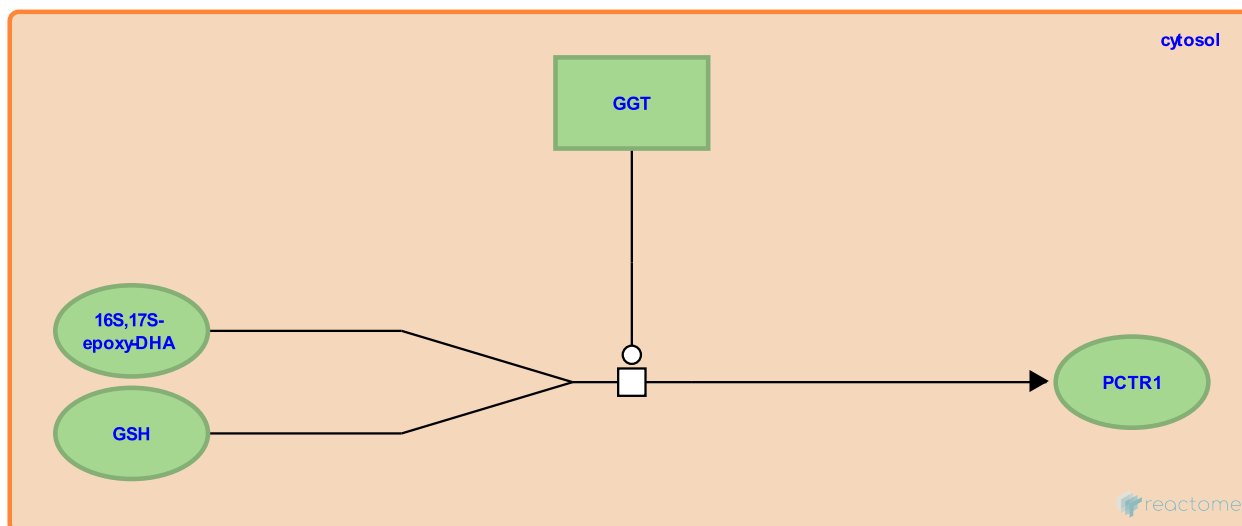
GGT transfers GSH to 16S,17S-epoxy-DHA to form PCTR1 ↗

Location: [Biosynthesis of protectin and resolvins conjugates in tissue regeneration \(PCTR and RCTR\)](#)

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Type: transition

Compartments: cytosol



Human macrophages produce protectin conjugates in tissue regeneration (PCTR). PCTR are named as such because they share a proposed biosynthetic pathway, structural features, and biological actions with DHA-derived protectins as well as displaying potent tissue-regenerative actions. 16S,17S-epoxy-docosahexaenoic acid (16S,17S-epoxy-DHA) was found to be a substrate for a glutathione transferase (GGT) which produces PCTR1 (16-glutathionyl, 17-hydroxy-docosahexaenoic acid) in greater quantities in M2-type macrophages than M1-type macrophages and was found to enhance resolution of infectious inflammation (Ramon et al. 2016, Dalli et al. 2015).

Followed by: [GGT hydrolyses PCTR1 to PCTR2](#)

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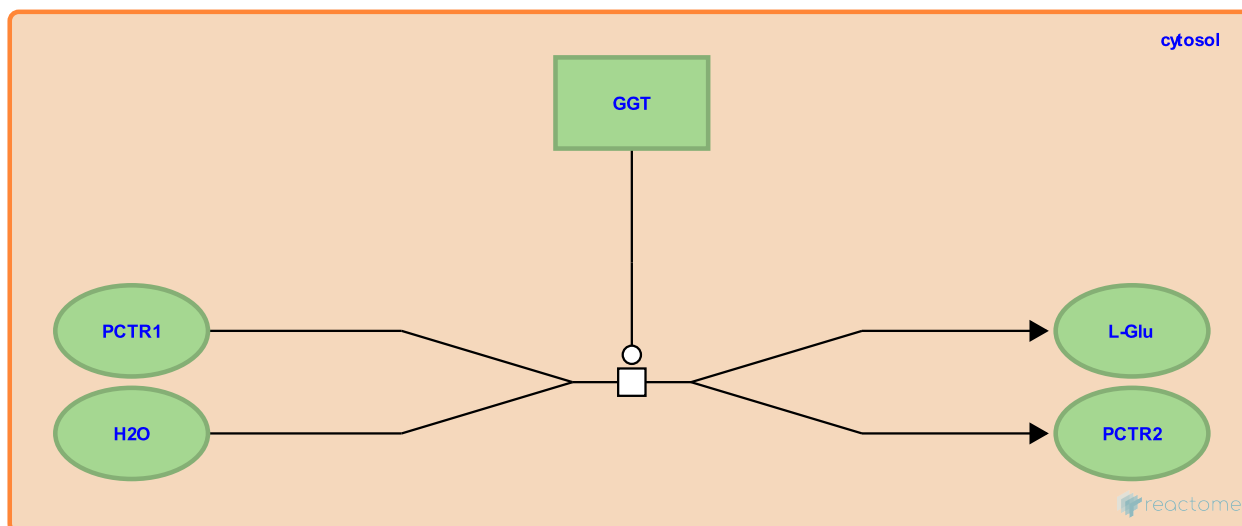
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Type: transition

Compartments: cytosol



In human macrophages, protectin conjugate in tissue regeneration 1 (PCTR1) is proposed to be hydrolysed to PCTR2 (16-cysteinylglycyl, 17-hydroxy-docosaehaenoic acid) by the actions of a glutathione transferase (GGT). Human macrophages incubated with *E. coli* and a GGT inhibitor led to increased levels of PCTR1 and decreased levels of PCTR3, suggesting a role for GGT enzyme in PCTR2 and PCTR3 biosynthesis (Dalli et al. 2015).

Preceded by: GGT transfers GSH to 16S,17S-epoxy-DHA to form PCTR1

Followed by: GGT hydrolyses PCTR2 to PCTR3

Literature references

Norris, PC., Serhan, CN., Colas, RA., Ramon, S., Dalli, J. (2015). Novel proresolving and tissue-regenerative resolvins and protectin sulfido-conjugated pathways. *FASEB J.*, 29, 2120-36. ↗

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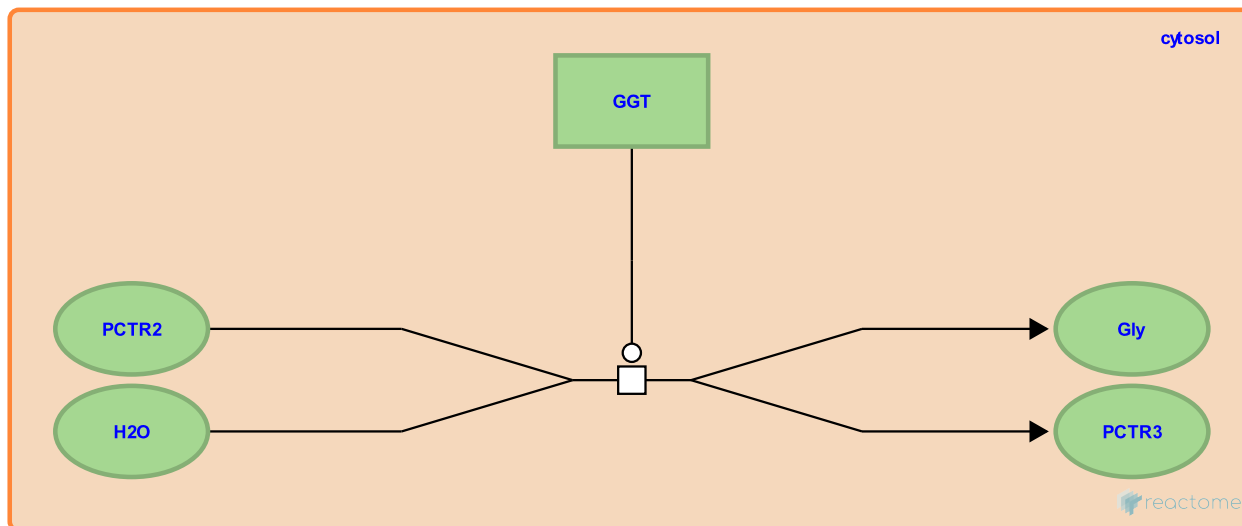
GGT hydrolyses PCTR2 to PCTR3 ↗

Location: [Biosynthesis of protectin and resolvins conjugates in tissue regeneration \(PCTR and RCTR\)](#)

Stable identifier: R-HSA-9026907

Type: transition

Compartments: cytosol



In human macrophages, protectin conjugate in tissue regeneration 3 (PCTR2) is proposed to be hydrolysed to PCTR3 (16-cysteinyl, 17-hydroxy-docosahexaenoic acid) by the actions of a glutathione transferase (GGT). Human macrophages incubated with *E. coli* and a GGT inhibitor led to increased levels of PCTR1 and decreased levels of PCTR3, suggesting a role for GGT enzyme in PCTR2 and PCTR3 biosynthesis (Dalli et al. 2015).

Preceded by: [GGT hydrolyses PCTR1 to PCTR2](#)

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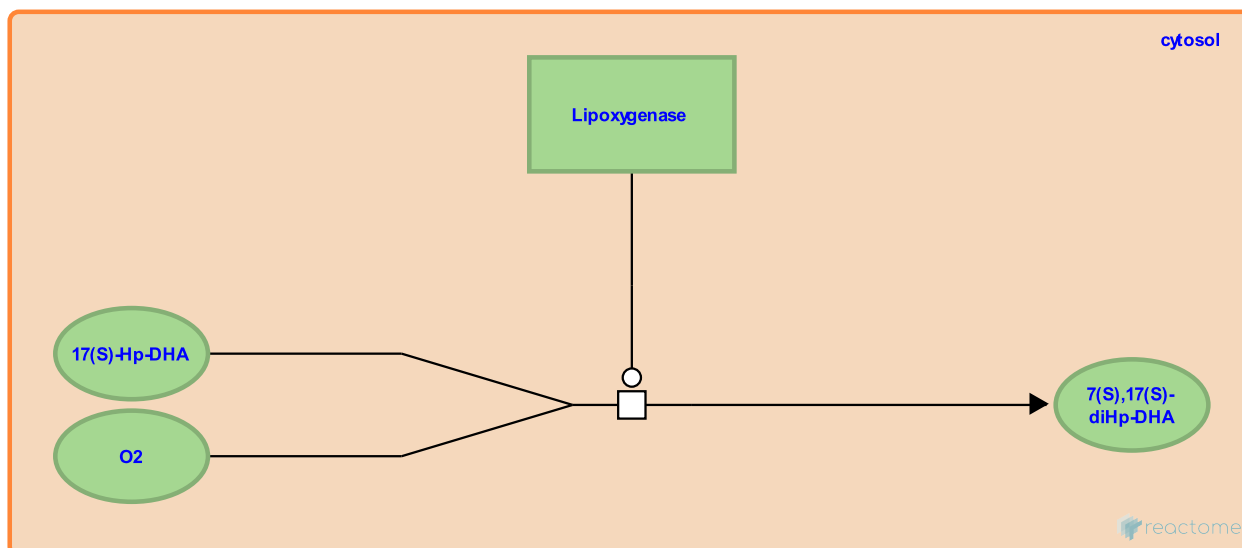
Lipoxygenase oxidises 17(S)-Hp-DHA to 7(S),17(S)-diHp-DHA ↗

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Type: transition

Compartments: cytosol



In an alternative route to PCTR production, 17(S)-hydroperoxy-docosahexaenoic acid (17(S)-Hp-DHA) can undergo a second lipoxygenation at carbon 7 position to yield 7S,17S-dihydroperoxy-docosahexaenoic acid (7(S),17(S)-diHp-DHA). A lipoxygenase mediates this reaction although the exact human enzyme is unknown (Dalli et al. 2015).

Followed by: [Lipoxygenase dehydrogenates 7\(S\),17\(S\)-diHp-DHA to 7S\(8\)-epoxy-17\(S\)-HDHA](#)

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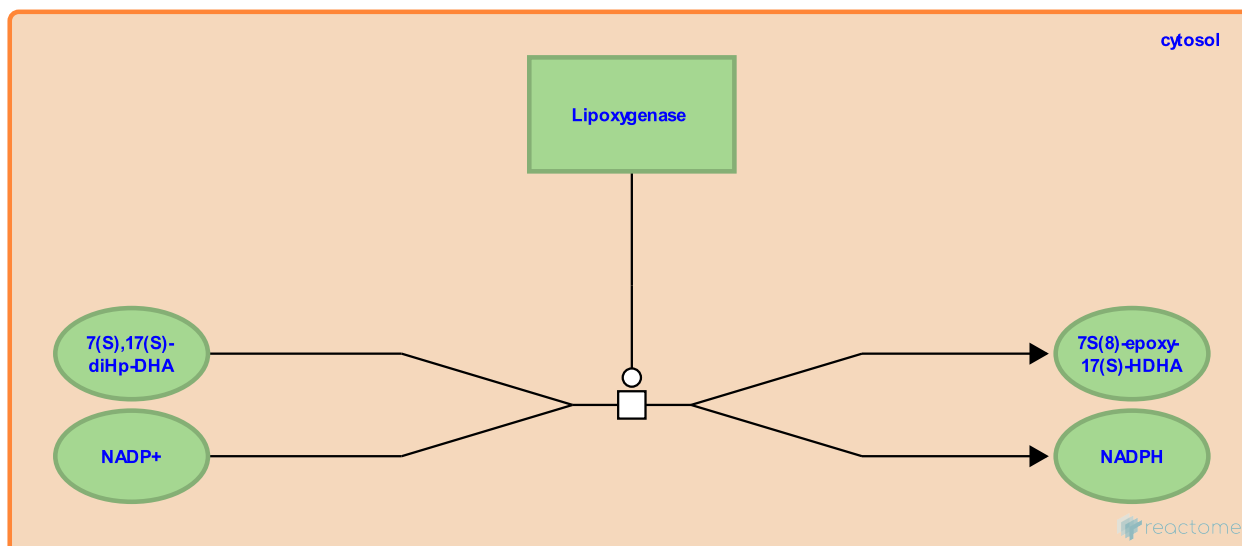
Lipoxygenase dehydrogenates 7(S),17(S)-diHp-DHA to 7S(8)-epoxy-17(S)-HDHA ↗

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Type: transition

Compartments: cytosol



A lipoxygenase may mediate hydrogen abstraction from 7(S),17(S)-dihydroperoxy-docosahexaenoic acid (7(S),17(S)-diHp-DHA) to form 7S(8)-epoxy-17(S)-hydroxy-docosahexaenoic acid (7S(8)-epoxy-17(S)-HDHA) (Dalli et al. 2015). This epoxy intermediate is the precursor for resolvins conjugates in tissue regeneration (RCTR).

Preceded by: Lipoxygenase oxidises 17(S)-Hp-DHA to 7(S),17(S)-diHp-DHA

Followed by: LTC4S trimer transfers GSH to 7S(8)-epoxy-17(S)-HDHA to form RCTR1

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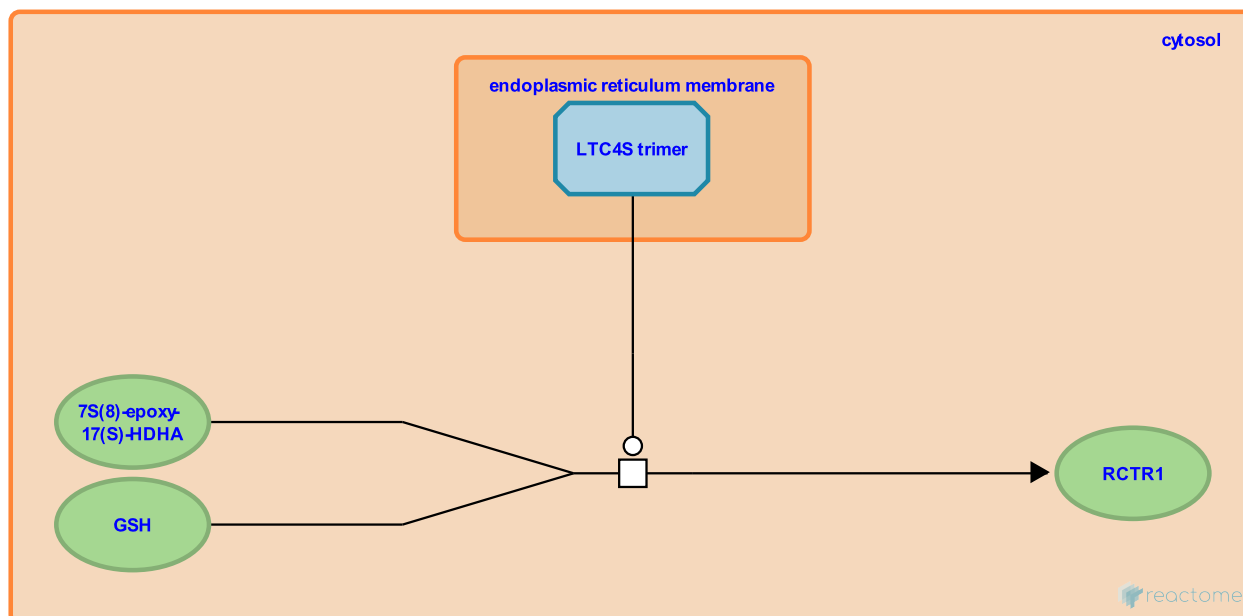
LTC4S trimer transfers GSH to 7S(8)-epoxy-17(S)-HDHA to form RCTR1 ↗

Location: [Biosynthesis of protectin and resolvins conjugates in tissue regeneration \(PCTR and RCTR\)](#)

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Type: transition

Compartments: cytosol



Just as the addition of glutathione (GSH) to an allylic epoxide is governed by glutathione S-transferase enzymes in the biosynthesis of MCTR (Dalli et al. 2016), 7S(8)-epoxy-17(S)-hydroxy-docosaehaenoic acid (7S(8)-epoxy-17(S)-HDHA) may presumably be conjugated with GSH by trimeric leukotriene C4 synthase (LTC4S trimer) to form resolvins conjugate in tissue regeneration 1 (RCTR1, 8-glutathionyl, 7,17-dihydroxy-docosaehaenoic acid) (Dalli et al. 2015).

Preceded by: [Lipoxygenase dehydrogenates 7\(S\),17\(S\)-diHp-DHA to 7S\(8\)-epoxy-17\(S\)-HDHA](#)

Followed by: [GGT hydrolyses RCTR1 to RCTR2](#)

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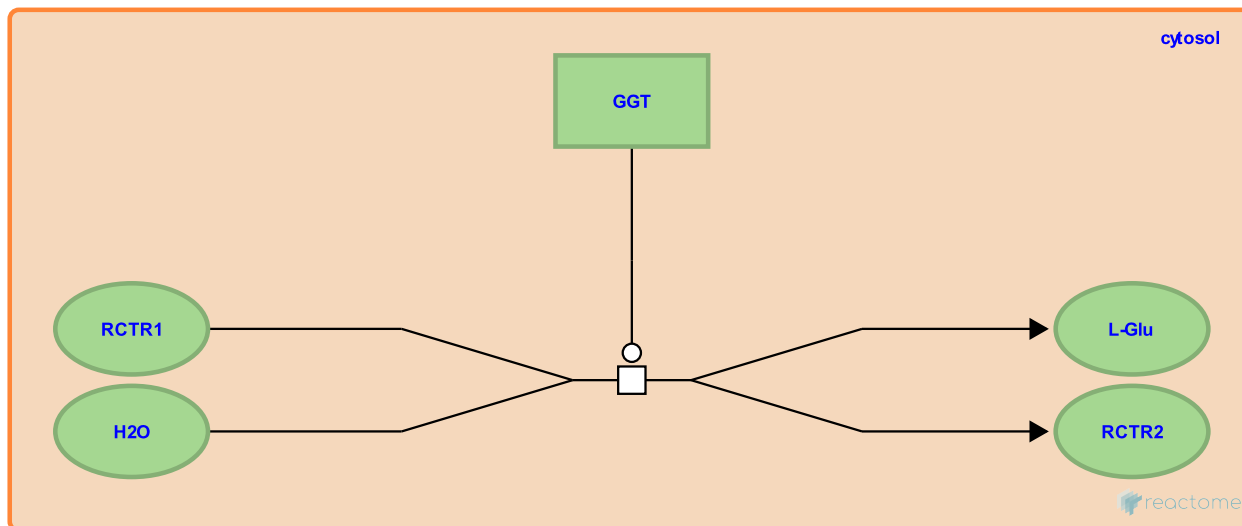
GGT hydrolyses RCTR1 to RCTR2 ↗

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Type: transition

Compartments: cytosol



Presumably following a similar synthesis route to protectin conjugate in tissue regeneration 2 (PCTR2), resolvins conjugate in tissue regeneration 1 (RCTR1) could be hydrolysed to RCTR2 (8-cysteinylglycyl, 7,17-dihydroxy-docosahexaenoic acid) by the actions of a glutathione transferase (GGT) (Dalli et al. 2015).

Preceded by: [LTC4S trimer transfers GSH to 7S\(8\)-epoxy-17\(S\)-HDHA to form RCTR1](#)

Followed by: [GGT hydrolyses RCTR2 to RCTR3](#)

Literature references

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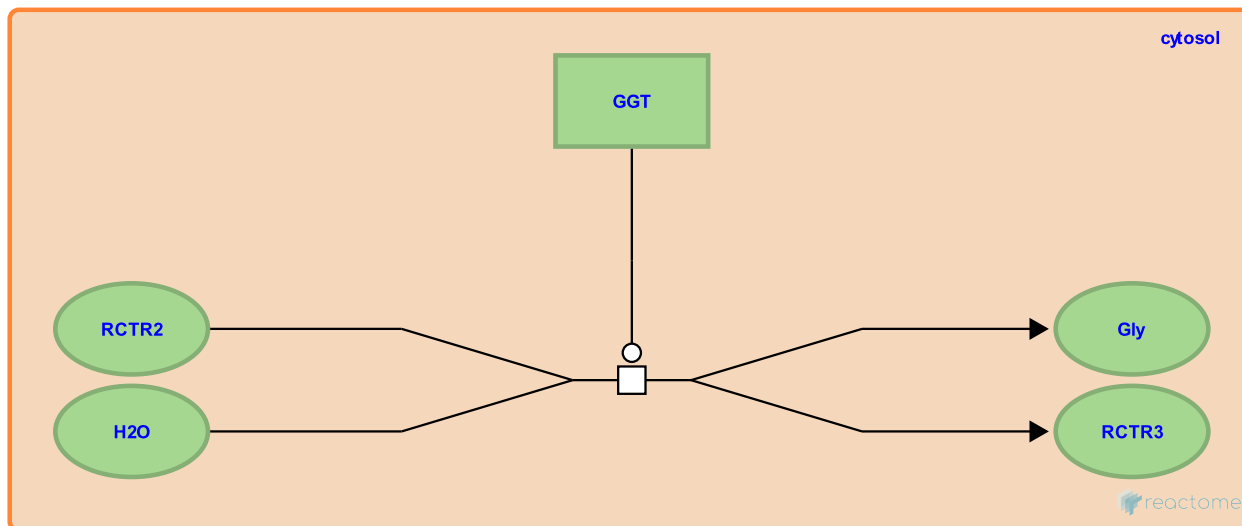
GGT hydrolyses RCTR2 to RCTR3 ↗

Location: [Biosynthesis of protectin and resolvins conjugates in tissue regeneration \(PCTR and RCTR\)](#)

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Type: transition

Compartments: cytosol



Presumably following a similar synthesis route to protectin conjugate in tissue regeneration 3 (PCTR3), resolvins conjugate in tissue regeneration 2 (RCTR2) could be hydrolysed to RCTR3 (8-cysteiny, 7,17-dihydroxy-docosahexaenoic acid) by the actions of a glutathione transferase (GGT) (Dalli et al. 2015).

Preceded by: [GGT hydrolyses RCTR1 to RCTR2](#)

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