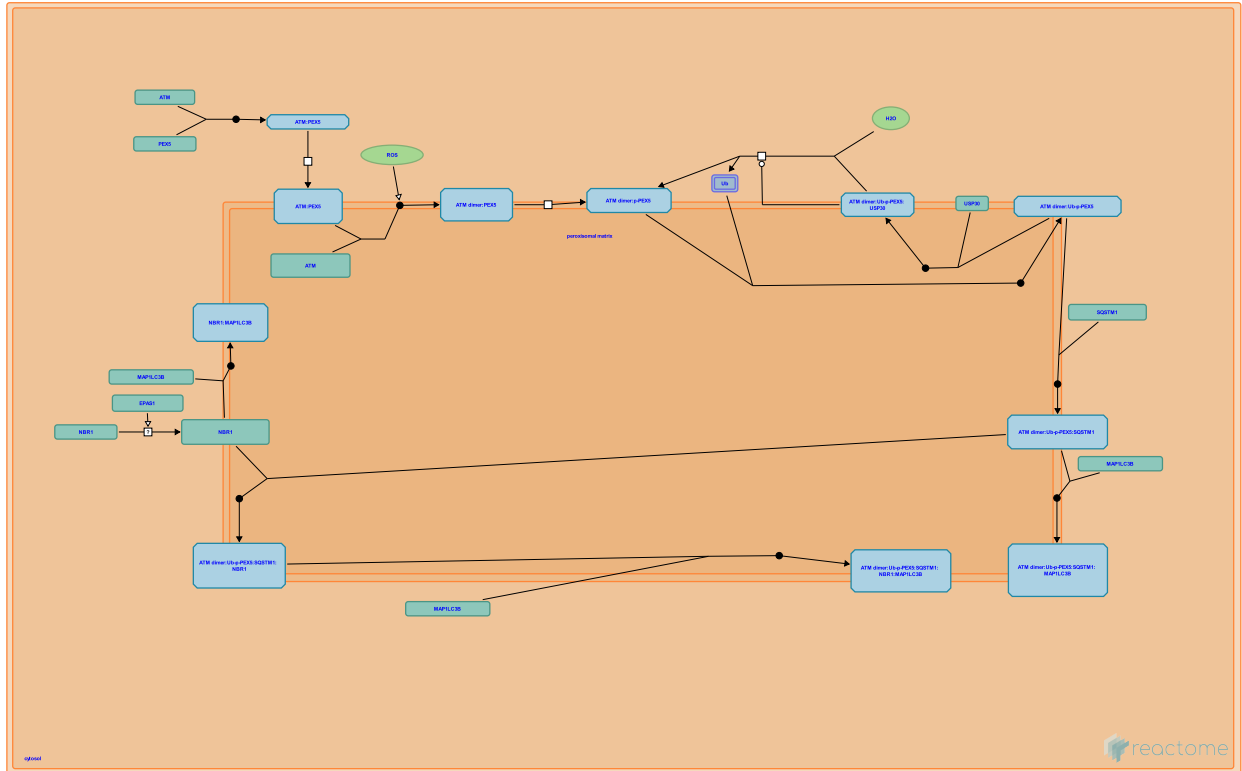


# Pexophagy



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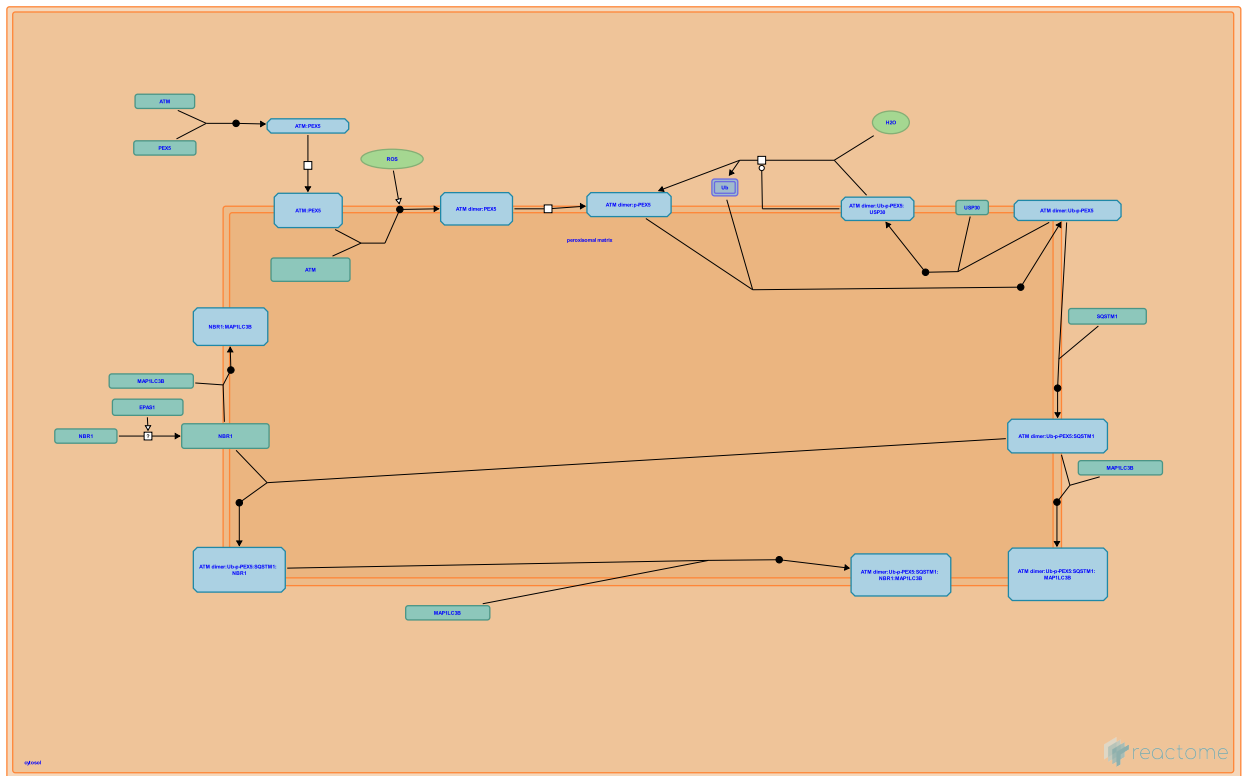
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# Pexophagy [↗](#)

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-9664873

**Compartments:** peroxisomal membrane, cytosol



Peroxisomes are cytosolic organelles involved in the catabolism of branched and long-chain fatty acids and in the reduction of reactive oxygen species (ROS). Peroxisomes homeostasis is critical to maintain ROS levels. Consequently, it is important to eliminate dysfunctional peroxisomes. The degradation of peroxisomes by autophagy is known as pexophagy (Katarzyna ZR et al. 2016). Pexophagy can be triggered by a shift in nutrient conditions.

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Subramani, S., Zientara-Rytter, K. (2016). Autophagic degradation of peroxisomes in mammals. *Biochem. Soc. Trans.*, 44, 431-40. [↗](#)

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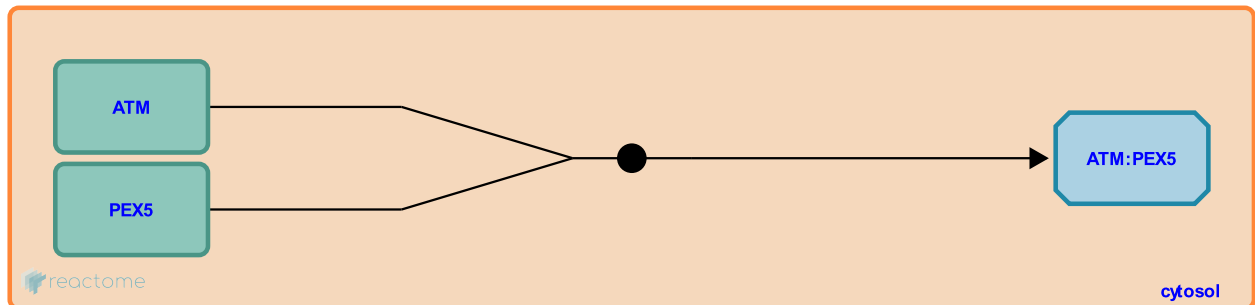
## ATM binds PEX5 [↗](#)

**Location:** [Pexophagy](#)

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-9664850

**Type:** binding

**Compartments:** cytosol



The first step in pexophagy is the initiation by a signal that triggers downstream events to eventually degrade the peroxisome. Ataxia-telangiectasia mutated protein (ATM) is a serine/threonine protein kinase that is involved in DNA damage response. ATM is known to be involved in pexophagy (Katarzyna ZR et al. 2016). ATM binds with Peroxisomal targeting signal 1 receptor (PEX5) with the help of a SRL binding sequence in ATM (Zhang J et al. 2015).

**Followed by:** [ATM:PEX5 translocates from cytosol to peroxisomal membrane](#)

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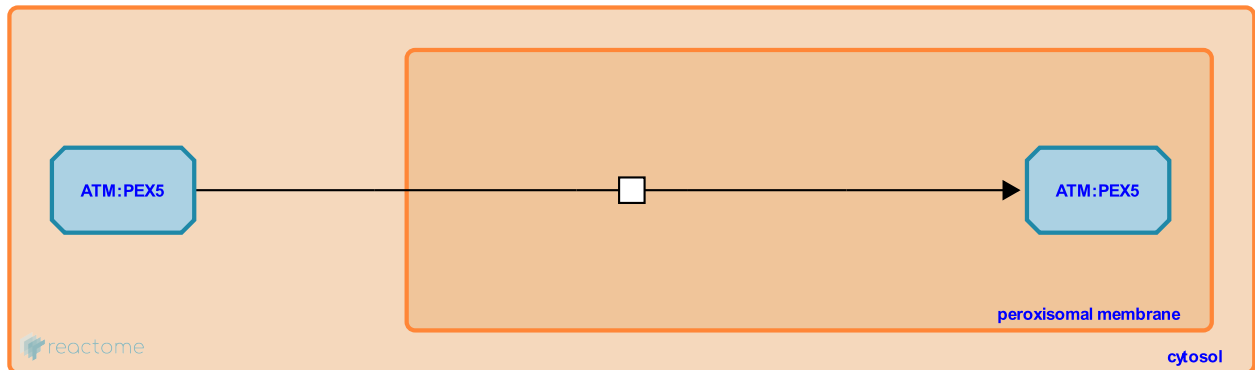
## ATM:PEX5 translocates from cytosol to peroxisomal membrane [↗](#)

**Location:** [Pexophagy](#)

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-9664883

**Type:** transition

**Compartments:** peroxisomal membrane, cytosol



After the binding of Peroxisomal targeting signal 1 receptor (PEX5) and Ataxia telangiectasia mutated protein (ATM), PEX5 recruits the complex to the peroxisomal membrane for the next steps of the degradation process (Zhang J et al. 2015).

**Preceded by:** [ATM binds PEX5](#)

**Followed by:** [ATM:PEX5 binds ATM](#)

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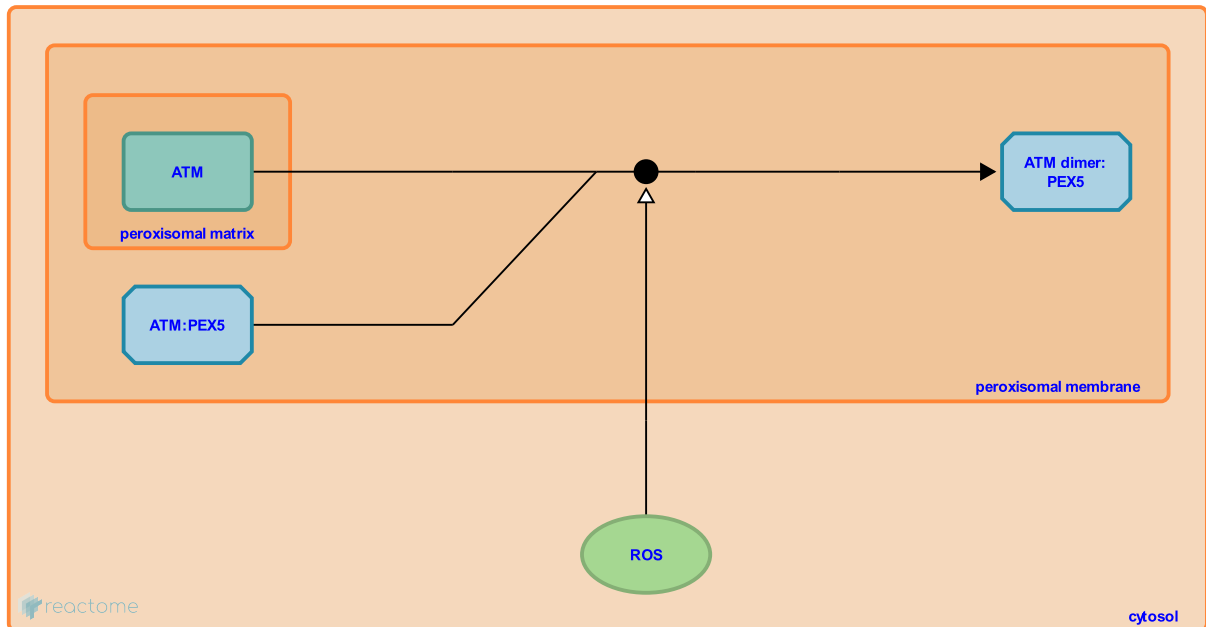
## ATM:PEX5 binds ATM ↗

**Location:** [Pexophagy](#)

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-9664879

**Type:** binding

**Compartments:** peroxisomal membrane



After Peroxisomal targeting signal 1 receptor (PEX5) recruits Ataxia telangiectasia mutated protein (ATM) to the peroxisomal membrane, ATM is activated by the reactive oxygen species (ROS). ROS can oxidize and activate ATM by forming a disulphide cross-linked dimer at the Cys2991 residue (Guo Z et al. 2010).

**Preceded by:** [ATM:PEX5 translocates from cytosol to peroxisomal membrane](#)

**Followed by:** [ATM dimer:PEX5 phosphorylates PEX5](#)

## Literature references

Kozlov, S., Person, MD., Lavin, MF., Guo, Z., Paull, TT. (2010). ATM activation by oxidative stress. *Science*, 330, 517-21  
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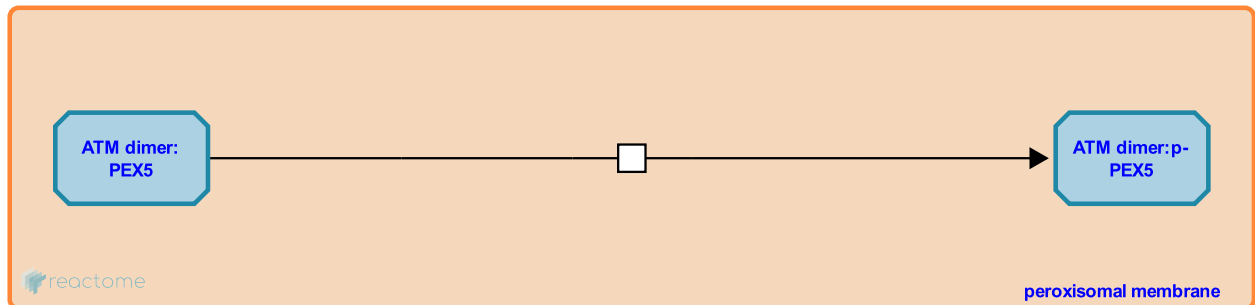
## ATM dimer:PEX5 phosphorylates PEX5 ↗

**Location:** [Pexophagy](#)

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-9664862

**Type:** transition

**Compartments:** peroxisomal membrane



When serine/threonine kinase Ataxia telangiectasia mutated protein (ATM) is activated it can phosphorylate Peroxisomal targeting signal 1 receptor protein (PEX5) at Ser141 (Zhang J et al. 2015).

**Preceded by:** [ATM:PEX5 binds ATM](#)

**Followed by:** [ATM dimer:p-PEX5 ubiquitinates to form ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5](#)

### Literature references

Kim, J., Walker, CL., Pandita, TK., Charaka, VK., Jing, J., Dere, R. et al. (2015). ATM functions at the peroxisome to induce pexophagy in response to ROS. *Nat. Cell Biol.*, 17, 1259-69. ↗

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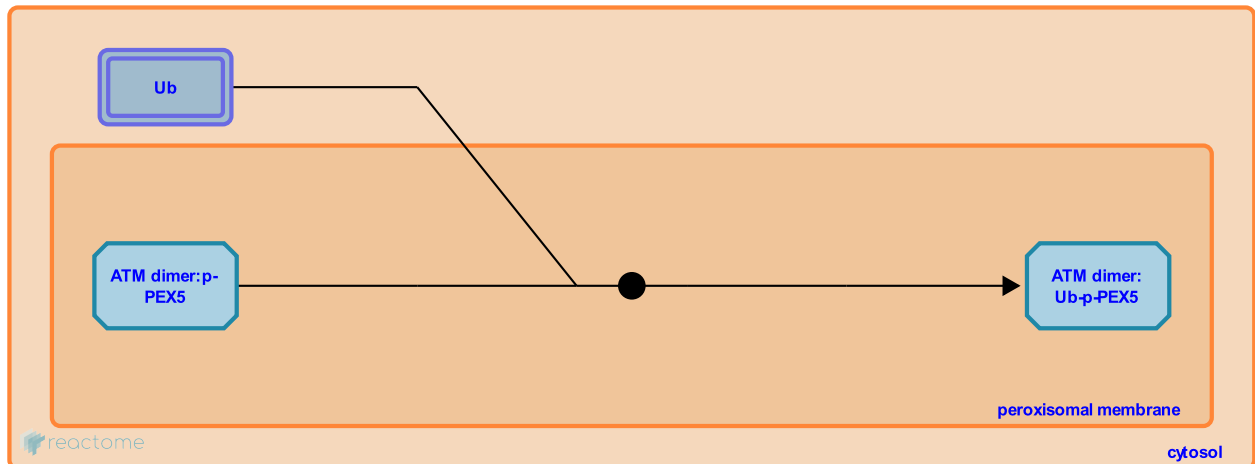
## ATM dimer:p-PEX5 ubiquitinates to form ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5 ↗

**Location:** [Pexophagy](#)

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-9664888

**Type:** binding

**Compartments:** peroxisomal membrane



Phosphorylation of Peroxisomal targeting signal 1 receptor protein (PEX5) at Ser141 promotes the ubiquitination of PEX5. The RING peroxins complex composed of: Peroxisome biogenesis factor 2 (PEX2), Peroxisome biogenesis factor 10 (PEX10), and Peroxisome assembly protein 12 (PEX12) form part of a peroxisome localized E3 ligase that ubiquitinates PEX5 at Lys209 (Zhang J et al. 2015). This mono ubiquitination of PEX5 helps to recruit the autophagy machinery to the peroxisome.

**Preceded by:** [ATM dimer:PEX5 phosphorylates PEX5](#), [USP30 deubiquitinates ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5](#)

**Followed by:** [SQSTM1 binds ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5](#), [USP30 binds ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5](#)

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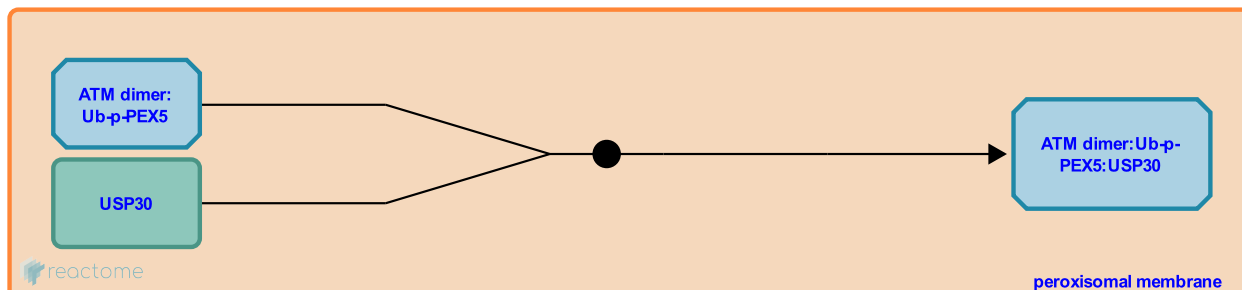
## USP30 binds ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5 ↗

**Location:** [Pexophagy](#)

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-9674131

**Type:** binding

**Compartments:** peroxisomal membrane



As a deubiquitinase, Ubiquitin carboxyl-terminal hydrolase 30 (USP30) can reverse the action of E3 ligase on peroxisomal membrane proteins. Studies show that USP30 can localise in the peroxisomal membrane and interact with ubiquitinated PEX5 (Ricchio V et al. 2019, Marcassa E et al. 2019).

**Preceded by:** [ATM dimer:p-PEX5 ubiquitinates to form ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5](#)

**Followed by:** [USP30 deubiquitinates ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5](#)

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Rusilowicz-Jones, EV., Clague, MJ., Jardine, J., Marcassa, E., Urbé, S., Kallinos, A. (2019). New aspects of USP30 biology in the regulation of pexophagy. *Autophagy*, 15, 1634-1637. ↗

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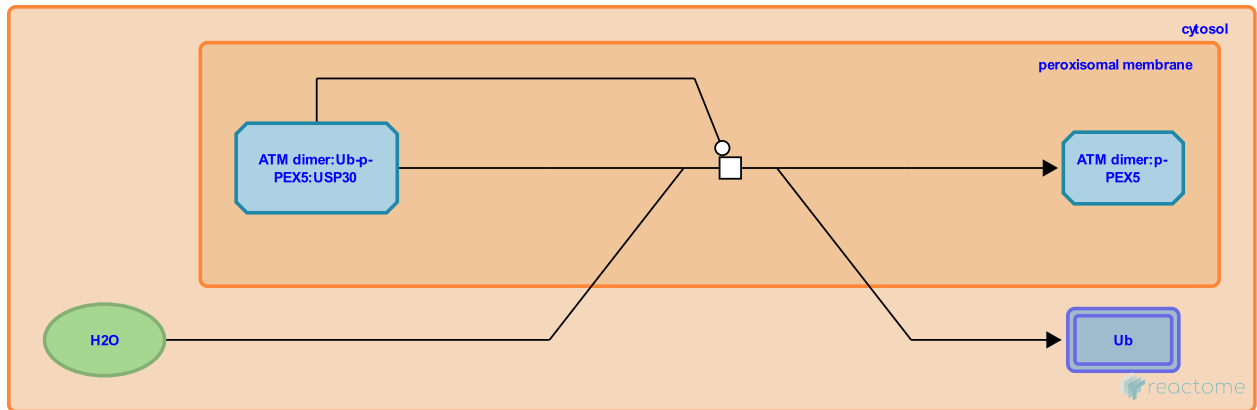
## USP30 deubiquitinates ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5 ↗

**Location:** [Pexophagy](#)

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-9674127

**Type:** transition

**Compartments:** peroxisomal membrane



The deubiquitinase, Ubiquitin carboxyl-terminal hydrolase 30 (USP30) counters the action of E3 ligase on peroxisomal membrane proteins. USP30 can remove ubiquitin moieties from PEX5 thereby preventing pexophagy (Riccio V et al. 2019, Marcassa E et al. 2019)

**Preceded by:** [USP30 binds ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5](#)

**Followed by:** [ATM dimer:p-PEX5 ubiquitinates to form ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5](#)

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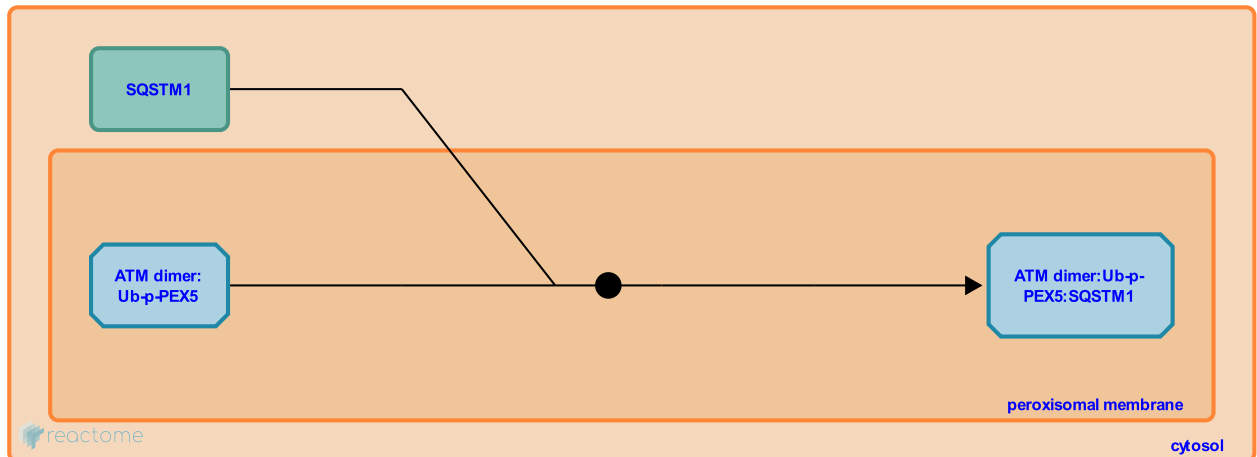
## SQSTM1 binds ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5 ↗

**Location:** [Pexophagy](#)

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-9664892

**Type:** binding

**Compartments:** peroxisomal membrane, cytosol



Sequestosome 1 (SQSTM1) is an autophagy adaptor that serves to bridge ubiquitinated cargo and the autophagosome. It binds ubiquitinated cargo via its UBA domain. SQSTM1 in the cytosol recognizes and binds with ubiquitinated Peroxisomal targeting signal 1 receptor (PEX5) in the peroxisomal membrane (Zhang et al. 2015).

**Preceded by:** [ATM dimer:p-PEX5 ubiquitinates to form ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5](#)

**Followed by:** [MAP1LC3B binds ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5:SQSTM1](#), [NBR1 binds ATM:Ub-p-PEX5:SQSTM1](#)

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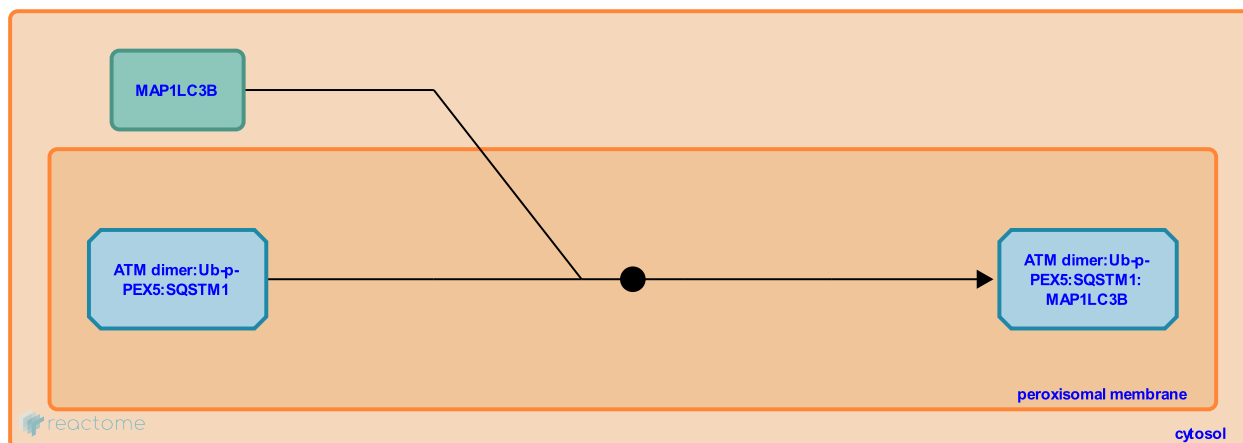
## MAP1LC3B binds ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5:SQSTM1 ↗

**Location:** [Pexophagy](#)

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-9664855

**Type:** binding

**Compartments:** peroxisomal membrane



Sequestosome 1 (SQSTM1) is an autophagic receptor that recruits ubiquitinated cargo to the autophagosome. SQSTM1 contains a ubiquitin associated (UBA) domain that binds to monoubiquitinated Peroxisomal targeting signal 1 receptor (PEX5) in the peroxisome and an LC3 interacting region (LIR) that binds to Microtubule associated proteins 1A/1B light chain 3B (MAP1LC3B)/LC3 associated with the nascent autophagosome (Pankiv S et al. 2007). Subsequently, the peroxisome is degraded by the autophagy machinery.

**Preceded by:** [SQSTM1 binds ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5](#)

### Literature references

Bruun, JA., Clausen, TH., Pankiv, S., Lamark, T., Brech, A., Johansen, T. et al. (2007). p62/SQSTM1 binds directly to Atg8/LC3 to facilitate degradation of ubiquitinated protein aggregates by autophagy. *J. Biol. Chem.*, 282, 24131-45.

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## NBR1 translocates from cytosol to perioxosomal membrane ↗

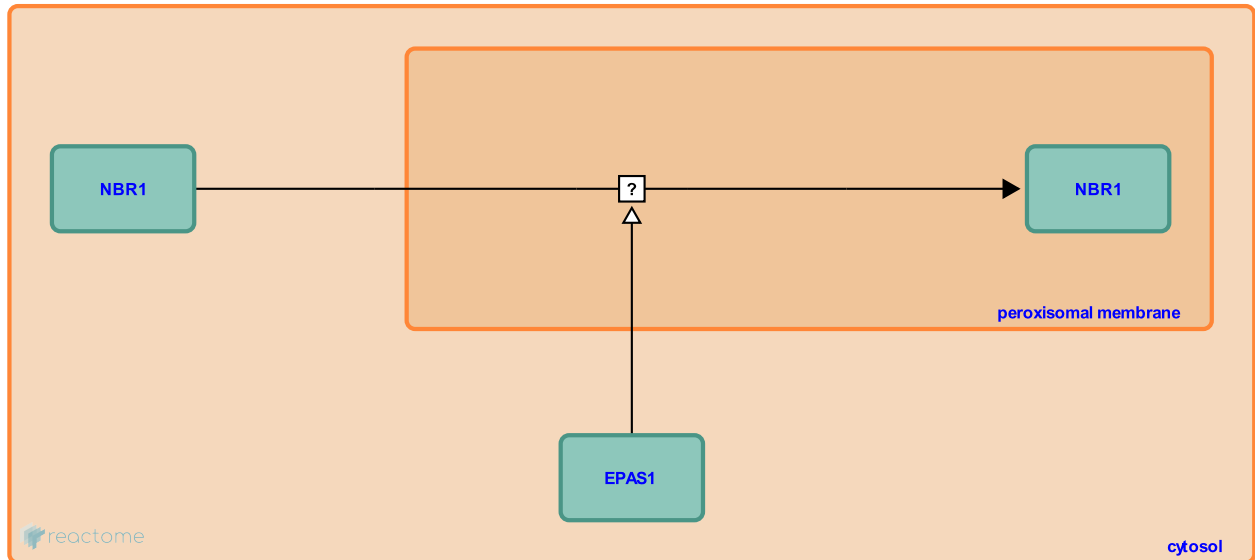
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**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-9664871

**Type:** uncertain

**Compartments:** perioxosomal membrane, cytosol

**Inferred from:** [Nbr1 translocates from cytosol to perioxosomal membrane \(Mus musculus\)](#)



Pexophagy is known to be regulated by molecular oxygen stress as a means of adaptive response. Low oxygen tension stabilizes Endothelial PAS domain containing protein 1 (EPAS1), which positively regulates the translocation of Next to BRCA1 gene 1 protein (NBR1) from the cytosol to the perioxosomal membrane. NBR1 binds perioxosomes through its JUBA domain (Walter KM et al. 2014).

**Followed by:** [NBR1 binds MAP1LC3B](#), [NBR1 binds ATM:Ub-p-PEX5:SQSTM1](#)

### Literature references

Kovacs, WJ., Walter, KM., Trötz Müller, M., Krek, W., Moser, AB., Lucas, MS. et al. (2014). Hif-2 $\alpha$  promotes degradation of mammalian perioxosomes by selective autophagy. *Cell Metab.*, 20, 882-897. ↗

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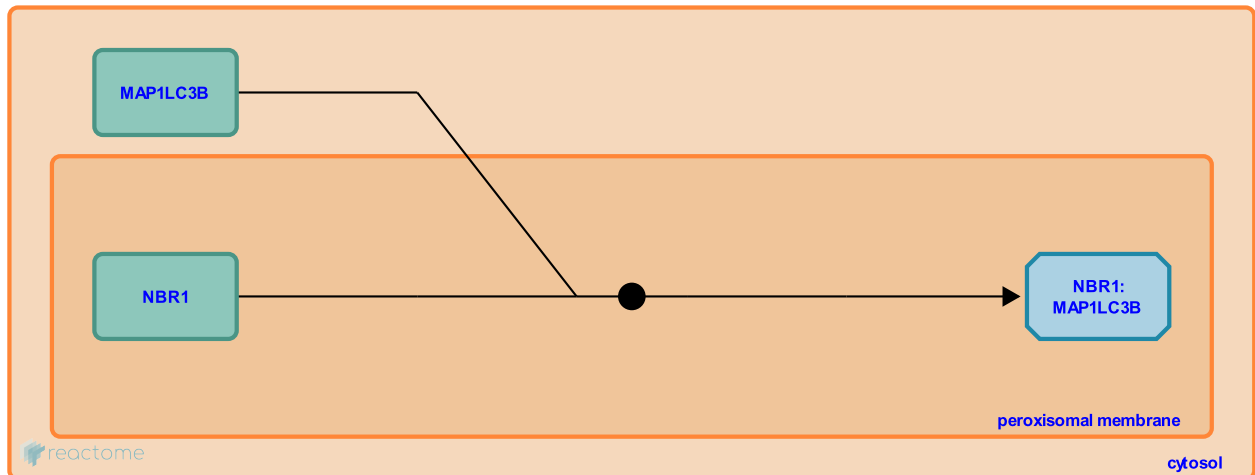
## NBR1 binds MAP1LC3B ↗

**Location:** [Pexophagy](#)

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-9664867

**Type:** binding

**Compartments:** peroxisomal membrane



Once recruited to the peroxisomal membrane, Next to BRCA1 gene 1 protein (NBR1) can bind with Microtubule associated proteins 1A/1B light chain 3B (MAP1LC3B)/LC3 with the help of its LC3 interacting region (LIR) domain (Kirkin V et al. 2009). This targets the peroxisomes to the autophagosomes and the degradation process starts.

**Preceded by:** [NBR1 translocates from cytosol to perioxosomal membrane](#)

### Literature references

Komatsu, M., Sou, YS., Bilusic, I., Ishii, T., Wild, P., McEwan, DG. et al. (2009). A role for NBR1 in autophagosomal degradation of ubiquitinated substrates. *Mol. Cell*, 33, 505-16. ↗

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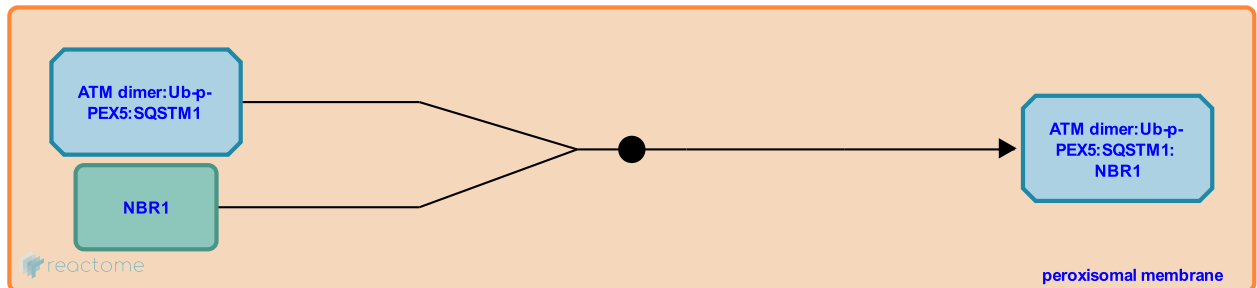
## NBR1 binds ATM:Ub-p-PEX5:SQSTM1 [↗](#)

**Location:** [Pexophagy](#)

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-9664881

**Type:** binding

**Compartments:** peroxisomal membrane



As autophagy receptors, Next to BRCA1 gene 1 protein (NBR1) and Sequestosome 1 (SQSTM1) can cooperate to achieve pexophagy. SQSTM1 supports NBR1 to bind ubiquitinated peroxisomes through its UBA domain and enhances the efficiency of the degradation process (Kirkin V et al. 2009).

**Preceded by:** [SQSTM1 binds ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5](#), [NBR1 translocates from cytosol to perioxosomal membrane](#)

**Followed by:** [MAP1LC3B binds ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5:SQSTM1:NBR1](#)

### Literature references

Lamark, T., Johansen, T., Kirkin, V., Dikic, I. (2009). NBR1 cooperates with p62 in selective autophagy of ubiquitinated targets. *Autophagy*, 5, 732-3. [↗](#)

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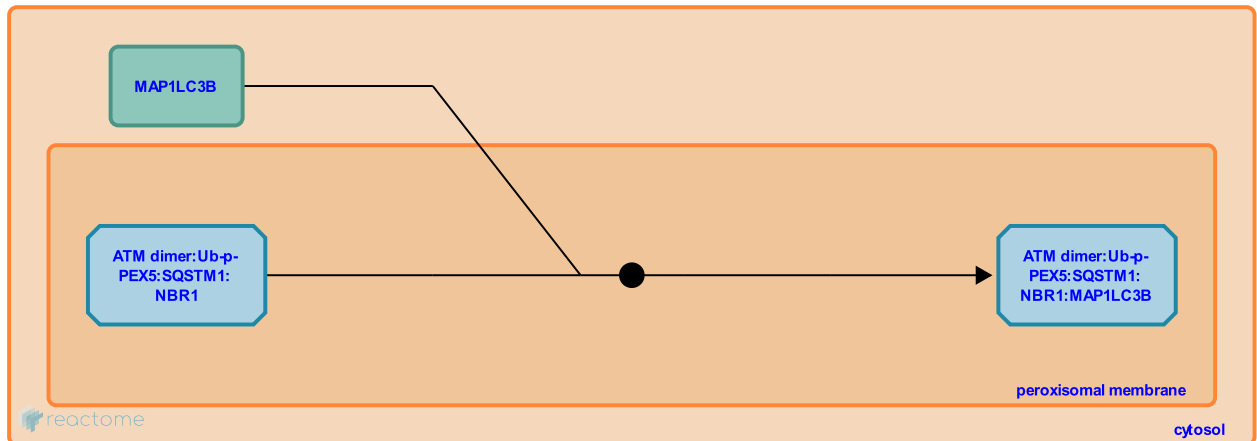
## MAP1LC3B binds ATM dimer:Ub-p-PEX5:SQSTM1:NBR1 ↗

**Location:** [Pexophagy](#)

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-9664880

**Type:** binding

**Compartments:** peroxisomal membrane



Autophagic receptors, Next to BRCA1 gene 1 protein (NBR1) and Sequestosome 1 (SQSTM1) cooperate to bind and recruit ubiquitinated peroxisomes to the autophagy machinery. NBR1 and SQSTM1 have similar protein domain architecture and bind to Microtubule associated proteins 1A/1B light chain 3B (MAP1LC3B)/LC3 via an LC3 interacting region (LIR) (Kirkin V et al. 2009). Subsequently, peroxisomes are engulfed within the autophagosome and degraded.

**Preceded by:** [NBR1 binds ATM:Ub-p-PEX5:SQSTM1](#)

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