

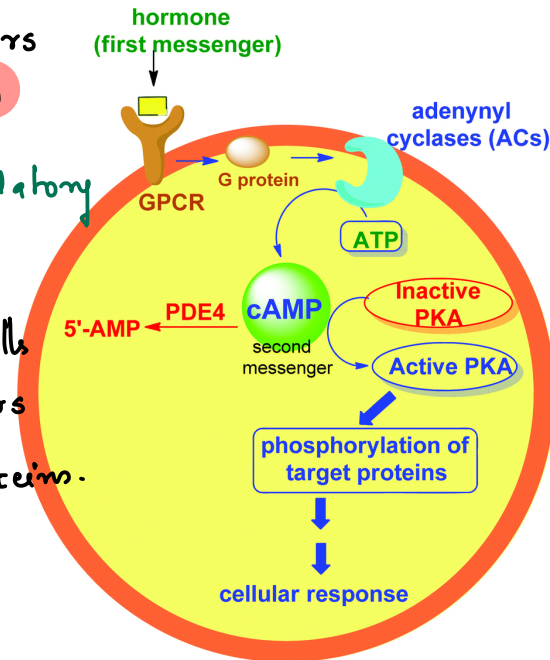
Hormone - Part 2

Hormones acting through cyclic AMP:

- Cyclic AMP (cAMP) was first discovered by Earl Sutherland in 1961.
- Action is through G-protein coupled receptors (GPCRs)

(i) When any ligand binds, the GPCRs activate heterotrimeric GTP binding regulatory proteins (G-proteins)

- Different G-proteins are present in the cells that are coupled with different receptors and activating different effector proteins.



(ii) G-protein activates Adenyl cyclase.

(iii) Adenyl cyclase converts $ATP \rightarrow cAMP$ (3,5-cyclic AMP) and phosphodiesterase hydrolyses $cAMP \rightarrow 5'AMP$.

- Cyclic AMP is a second messenger produced in the cell in response to activation of adenylate cyclase by active G-protein.
- During hormonal stimulation, cyclic AMP level in cell increases several times.

(iv) Second messenger activates PKA

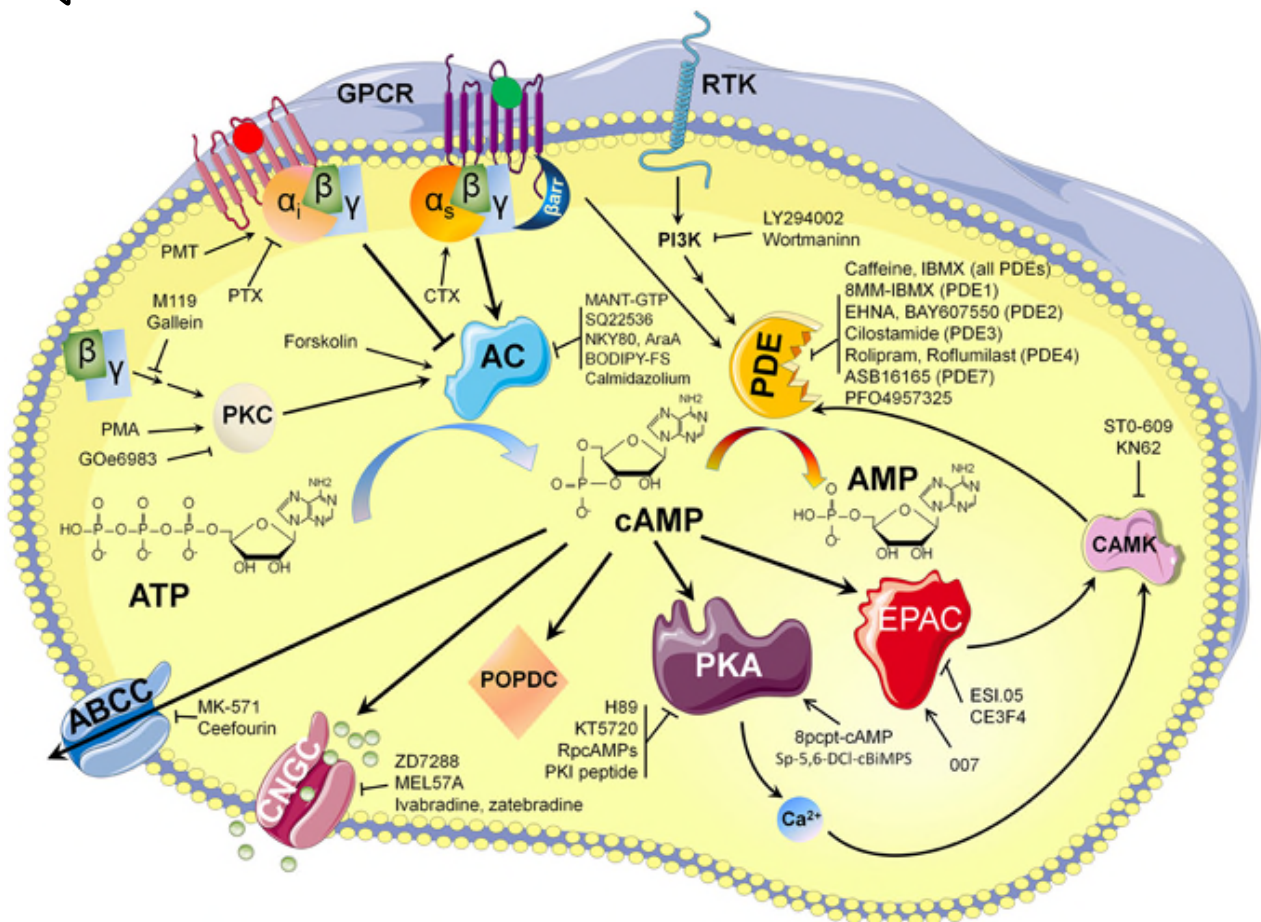
- The cAMP activates the enzyme PKA (cyclic AMP dependent protein kinase)
- PKA is a tetrameric molecule having two regulatory (R) and two catalytic (C) subunits (R_2C_2)

- This complex has no activity. But cAMP binds to the regulatory subunit and dissociates the tetramer into regulatory and catalytic subunits. The catalytic subunit is now free to act.

(v) Kinase Phosphorylates the Enzyme.

- Catalytic subunit then transfers a phosphate group from ATP to different enzymes proteins.

- Phosphorylation usually takes place on OH groups of serine, threonine or tyrosine residues of substrates.
- Hence these **kinase** are called **Ser / Thr Kinase**. The enzymes may be activated or inactivated by this phosphorylation.
- This is an example of covalent modification.
- Glycogen phosphorylase & Hormone sensitive lipase are controlled by cyclic AMP.



G-Proteins :

- About **30 different** G-proteins are identified, each being used for different signal transduction pathways.

Ga class	Initiating signal	Downstream signal
Gs (G _i -stimulatory)	β -adrenergic amines, glucagon, PTH, TSH, corticotrophin, many others	Stimulates adenylate cyclase
Gi (G _i -inhibitory)	Acetylcholine, α adrenergic amines, many neurotransmitters, chemokines	Inhibits adenylate cyclase
Gq	Acetylcholine, α adrenergic amines, many neurotransmitters, TRH	Increases IP3 and intracellular calcium
Gt (Transducin)	Photons	Stimulates cGMP phosphodiesterase

G-protein family	α -subunit	Gene	Signal transduction	Use/Receptors (examples)	Effects (examples)
G _i -family (InterPro : IPR001408)					
G _{i/o}	α_i, α_o	GNAO1 , GNAI1 , GNAI2 , GNAI3	Inhibition of adenylyate cyclase, opens K ⁺ -channels (via β/γ subunits), closes Ca ²⁺ -channels	Muscarinic M ₂ and M ₄ , ^[8] chemokine receptors, α_2 -Adrenoreceptors, Serotonin 5-HT ₁ receptors, Histamine H ₃ and H ₄ , Dopamine D ₂ -like receptors, type 2 cannabinoid receptors (CB2) ^[9]	Smooth muscle contraction, depress neuronal activity, interleukin secretion by human leukocytes ^[9]
G _t	α_t (Transducin)	GNAT1 , GNAT2	Activation of phosphodiesterase 6	Rhodopsin	Vision
G _{gust}	α_{gust} (Gustducin)	GNAT3	Activation of phosphodiesterase 6	Taste receptors	Taste
G _z	α_z	GNAZ	Inhibition of adenylyate cyclase	Platelets	Maintaining the ionic balance of perilymphatic and endolymphatic cochlear fluids.
G _s -family (InterPro : IPR000367)					
G _s	α_s	GNAS	Activation of adenylyate cyclase	Beta-adrenoreceptors; Serotonin 5-HT ₄ , 5-HT ₆ and 5-HT ₇ ; Dopamine D ₁ -like receptors, Histamine H ₂ , type 2 cannabinoid receptors ^[9]	Increase heart rate, Smooth muscle relaxation, stimulate neuronal activity, interleukin secretion by human leukocytes ^[9]
G _{olf}	α_{olf}	GNAL	Activation of adenylyate cyclase	olfactory receptors	Smell
G _q -family (InterPro : IPR000654)					
G _q	$\alpha_q, \alpha_{11}, \alpha_{14}, \alpha_{15}, \alpha_{16}$	GNAQ , GNA11 , GNA14 ^[8] , GNA15 ^[8]	Activation of phospholipase C	α_1 -Adrenoreceptors, Muscarinic M ₁ , M ₃ , and M ₅ , ^[8] Histamine H ₁ , Serotonin 5-HT ₂ receptors	Smooth muscle contraction, Ca ²⁺ flux
G _{12/13} -family (InterPro : IPR000469)					
G _{12/13}	α_{12}, α_{13}	GNA12 , GNA13	Activation of the Rho family of GTPases		Cytoskeletal functions, Smooth muscle contraction

Protein kinases :

- More than **thousand** protein kinases are now known.
- Some important are listed below :

Signal molecule	Second messenger	Protein kinase	Type	Substrates
Hormones (glucagon, epinephrine, HSL, ADH, glycogen, ACTH, PTH, etc.	cAMP	Protein kinase A	Ser/Thr	Enzymes like phosphorylase, PFK2, CREBs, etc.
Nitric oxide, AMP	cGMP	Protein kinase G	Ser/Thr	Myosin, transducin
Serotonin, TRH	Calcium, IP3	Cam kinase	Ser/Thr	Exocytosis, smooth muscle contraction
Oxytocin, PDGF	DAG	Protein kinase C	Ser/Thr	Transcription factors, ion channel transporters
Growth factors, cytokines	PIP3	Protein kinase B	Ser/Thr	Glycogen metabolism, glucose transport, death signals like BAD
Insulin and insulin like growth factors	RTK in receptor	Tyrosine kinase	Tyr	IRS-1 (Insulin response substrate 1), IRS-2, MAP kinase, PDK
GH, prolactin, cytokines	RTK in receptor	Janus kinase (JAK)	Tyr	STAT (Signal transducers and activators of transcription)

Calcium based Signal Transduction:

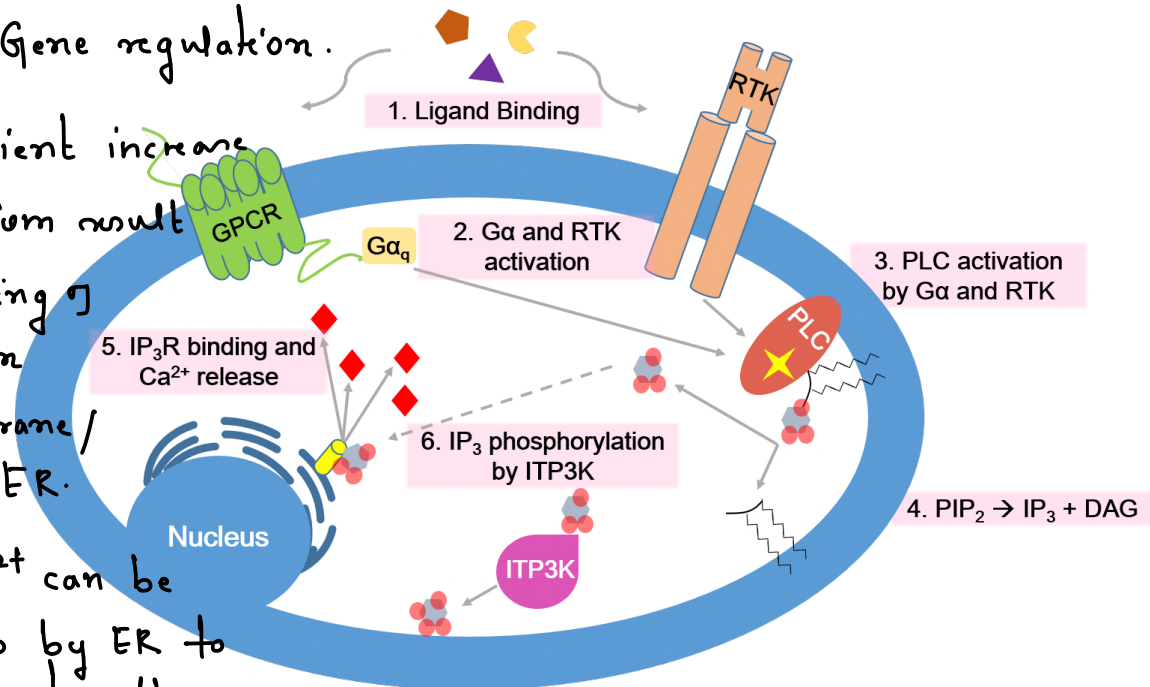
- Calcium is an important intracellular regulator of cell function like :

- (i) contraction of muscles
- (ii) secretion of hormones
- (iii) secretion of Neurotransmitters
- (iv) Cell division
- (v) Regulation of Gene regulation.

- Rapid but transient increases in cytosolic calcium result

from either opening of Ca^{2+} channels in the plasma membrane / Ca^{2+} channels in ER.

- The released Ca^{2+} can be rapidly taken up by ER to terminate the response.



Phospholipase C pathway:

- Specific signals can trigger a sudden increase in cytoplasmic Ca^{2+} levels to 500-1000 nM by opening channels in ER or plasma membrane.
- The most common signaling pathway that increases cytoplasmic Ca^{2+} is PLC pathway.

- Many cell surface receptors, including G-protein coupled receptors and receptor tyrosine kinases, activate PLC enzyme.
- PLC uses hydrolysis of membrane phospholipid PIP_2 to form IP_3 and diacylglycerol (DAG), two classic 2° messengers.
- DAG attaches to plasma membrane and recruits Protein kinase C (PKC).
- IP_3 diffuses to ER and is bound to IP_3 receptor.
- The IP_3 receptor serves as a Ca^{2+} channel, and releases Ca^{2+} from ER.
- The Ca^{2+} binds to PKC and other proteins & activates them.

