TARP γ-8, γ-2, Cornichon, Auxiliary Binding Proteins and AMPA Receptor Trafficking Hope Kean SUH LAB

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Normal



Mild cognitive impairment



Alzheimer's disease

Glutamate Presynaptic terminal -Na* receptor NMDA receptor Insert additional **AMPA** receptors Calmodulin Protein kinase II kinase (Substrate phosphorylation Dendritic

spine of

neuron

postsynaptic

Ionotropic Glutamate Receptors

• AMPAR GluA1, GluA2, GluA3, GluA4 • NMDAR • GluN1, GluN2A, GluN2B, GluN2C, GluN2D, GluN3A, GluN3B

Neuroscience 5th edition; Dale Purves et al,, SINAUER ASSOCIATES, INC.

Activity-dependant

transcription stabilize t



AMPAR

→ hetero-tetrameric → critical role LTP LTD regulation pathways \rightarrow \rightarrow nucleus \rightarrow ER \rightarrow Golgi \rightarrow synaptic membrane \rightarrow degradation or recycling \rightarrow extremely complex synaptic organization

Synaptic Organization



Sheng and Hoogenraad Ann. Rev. Biochem 2007

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Auxiliary Binding Proteins

 PSD-MAGUK family scaffolding proteins • <u>PSD-95/SAP90</u>, PSD-93/chapsyn-110, SAP102, SAP97 • Stargazer mice (1980) lack synaptic AMPAR currents • TARP: The Missing Link! • Transmembrane AMPAR Regulatory Protein

TARP family



 Differential distribution Type 1 TARP ο γ-2, γ-3, γ-4, γ-8 • intermediate auxiliary subunit Trafficking Channel Kinetics

Nicoll RA et al., Science 2006

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CNIH family

CNIH 1,2,3,4 AMPAR co-assembly



Tomita, American Physiology Society 2010



Nicoll RA et al., Science 2006

Results





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GluA1, GluA2/3 expression was reduced in γ-8 -2 KD





decreased γ-8 KD expression
increased γ-8 OE expression
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γ-8 -2 KD caused low expression of CNIH-2

Conclusion

This study sheds light on a complicated relationship between TARP, cornichon, GluA1 and GluA2/3 subunits. It is apparent that γ -2 and γ -8 expression are interdependent and vary together. Our data also indicate that TARP γ -8 and γ -2 increase expression of the GluA2 and 3 AMPAR subunits. To further understand the relationship between auxiliary binding proteins and synaptic transmission, we need to explore the mechanisms that regulate the AMPARs expression. An experiment currently in the works is the investigation of expression pathway blockers and their effects on AMPAR expression. This includes an investigation of AMPAR levels in MG132 and leupeptin treated rat hippocampal neuron. By studying these inhibitors we can further understand the nature of AMPAR expression and the various mechanisms underlying its trafficking at the synapse.

Further Investigation

AMPAR Regulatory pathways inhibitors Protein degradation pathway & inhibitors



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