

Biology and Physiology of the LDL Receptor

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Classic LDL binding studies

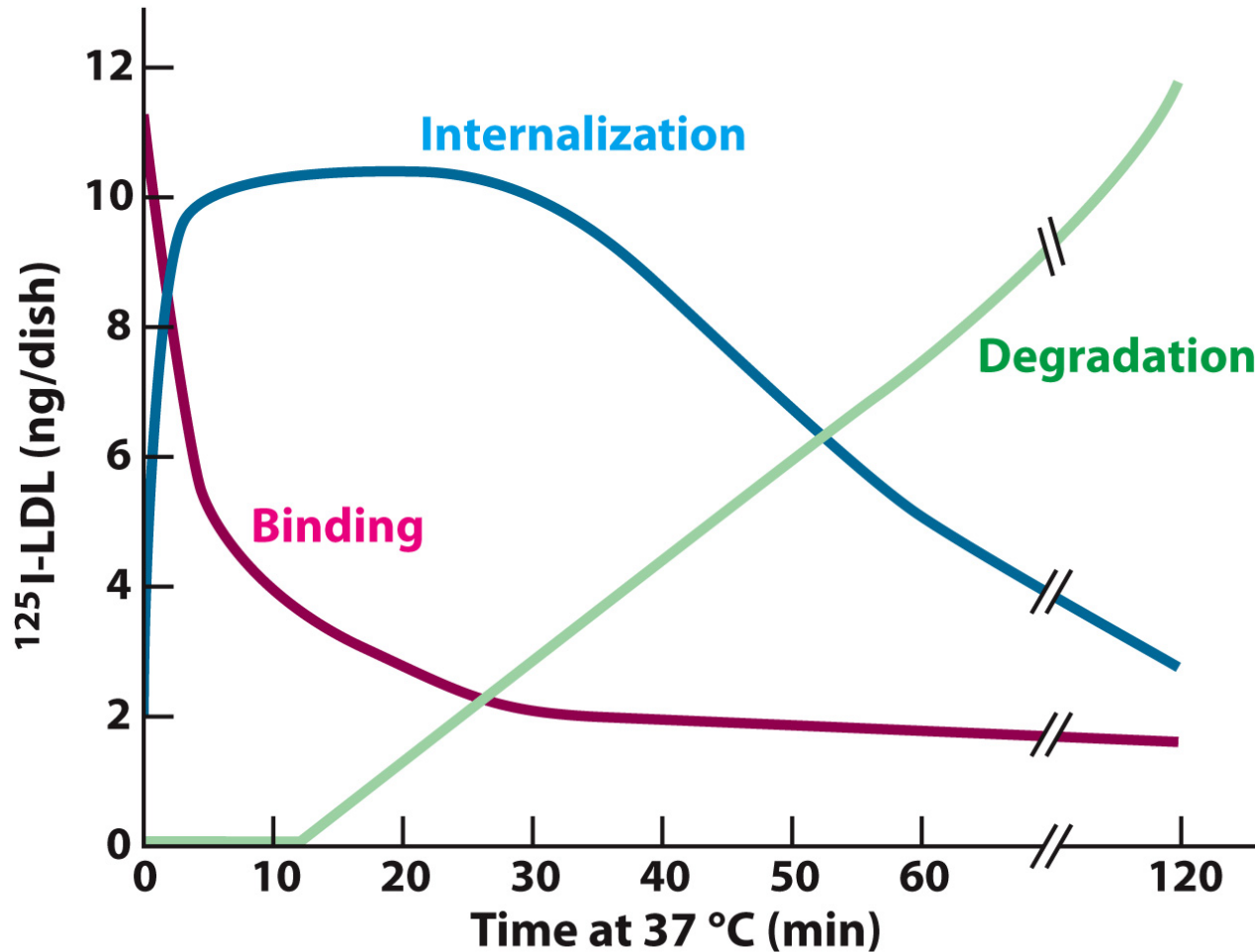
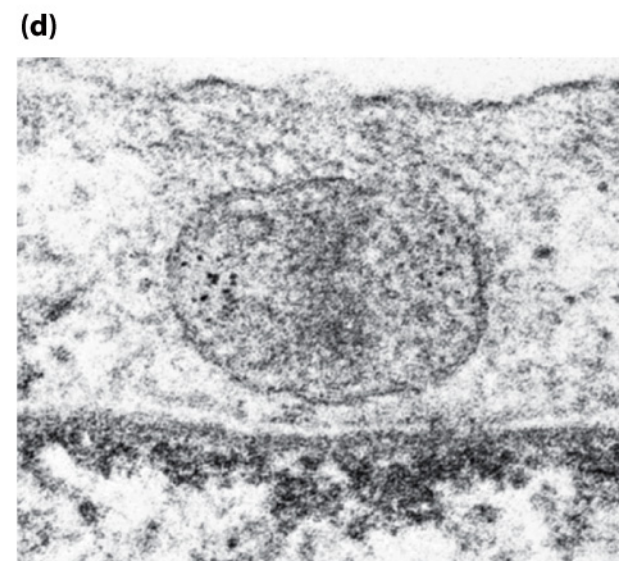
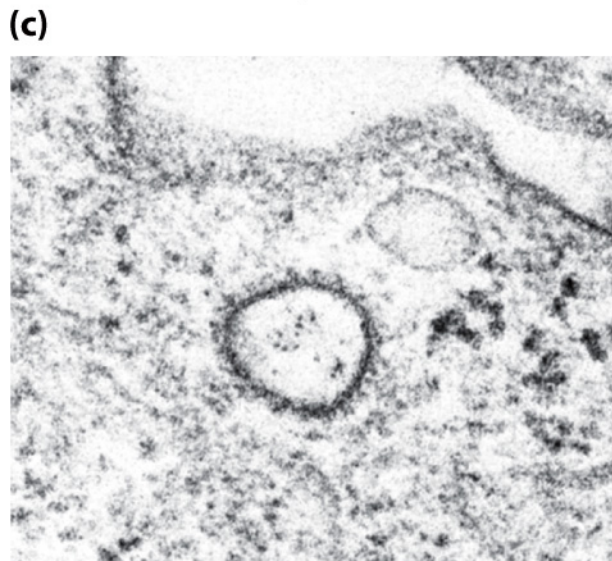
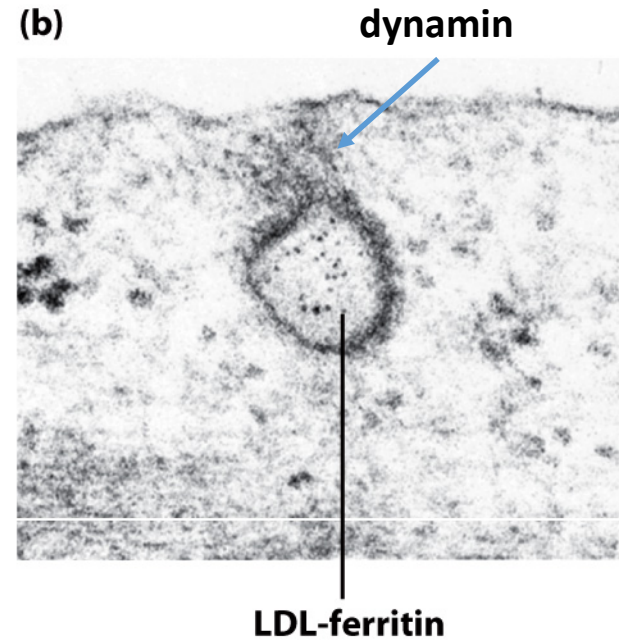
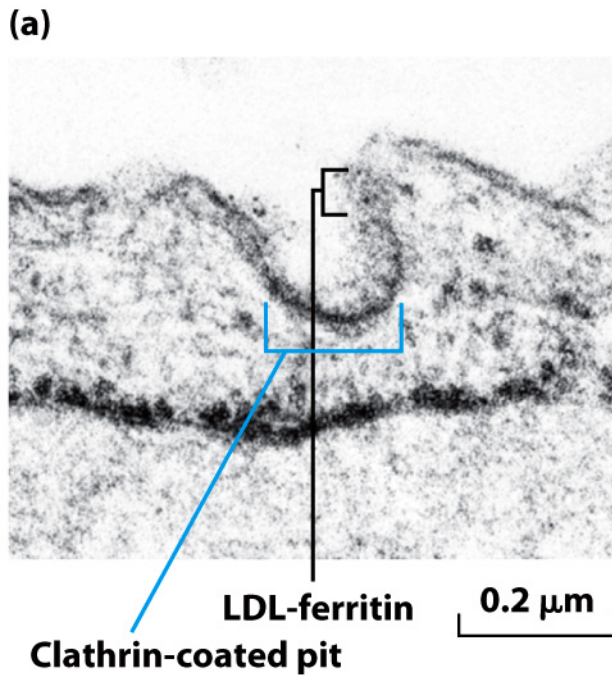


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Cultured normal human skin fibroblasts – incubated with ^{125}I -LDL for 2 hours at 4°C (pulse) LDL binds to surface LDL receptors; not endocytosed. Then increase temperature to 37°C.



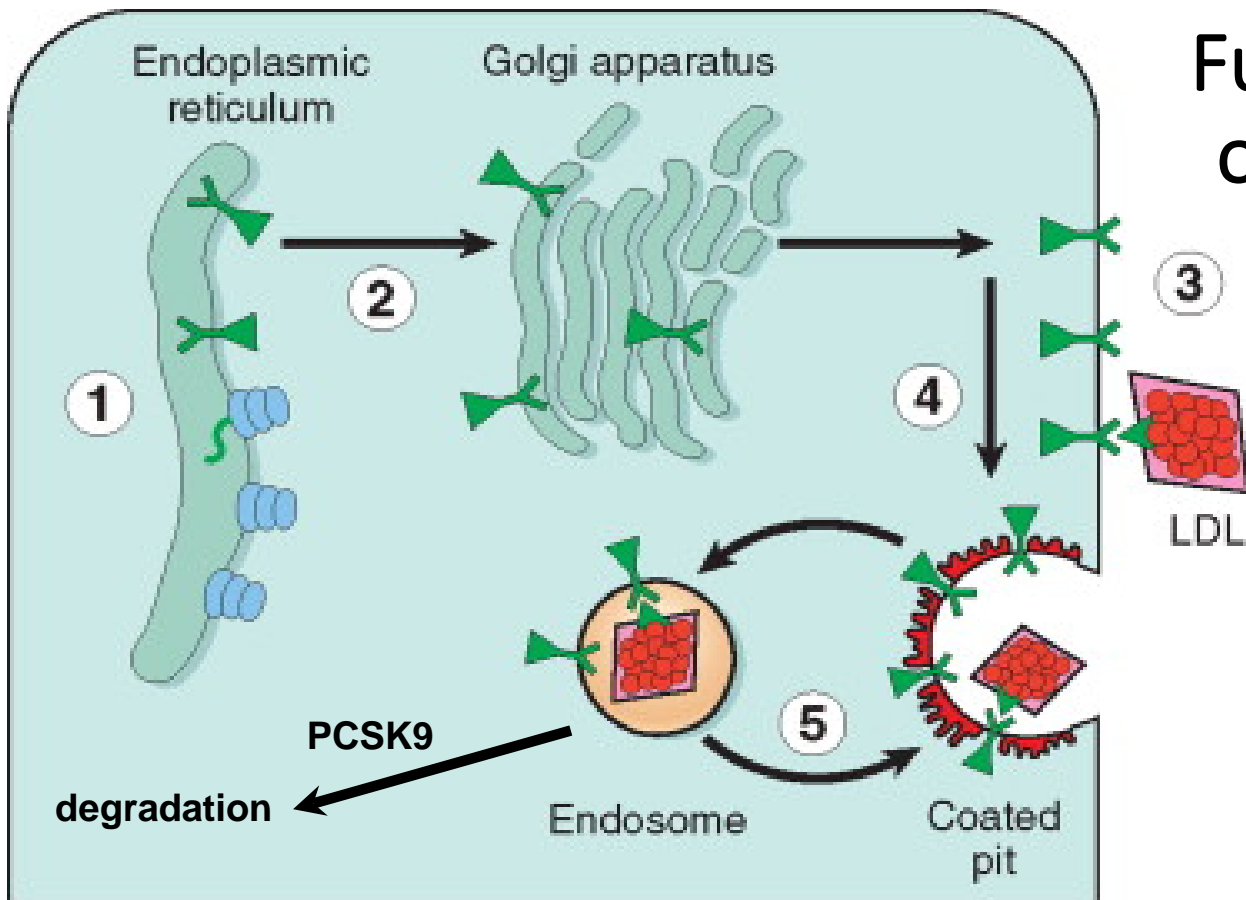
Clathrin-coated vesicle with LDL-LDLR complexes

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LDL-LDLR complexes delivered to endosome (6 minutes after warming)

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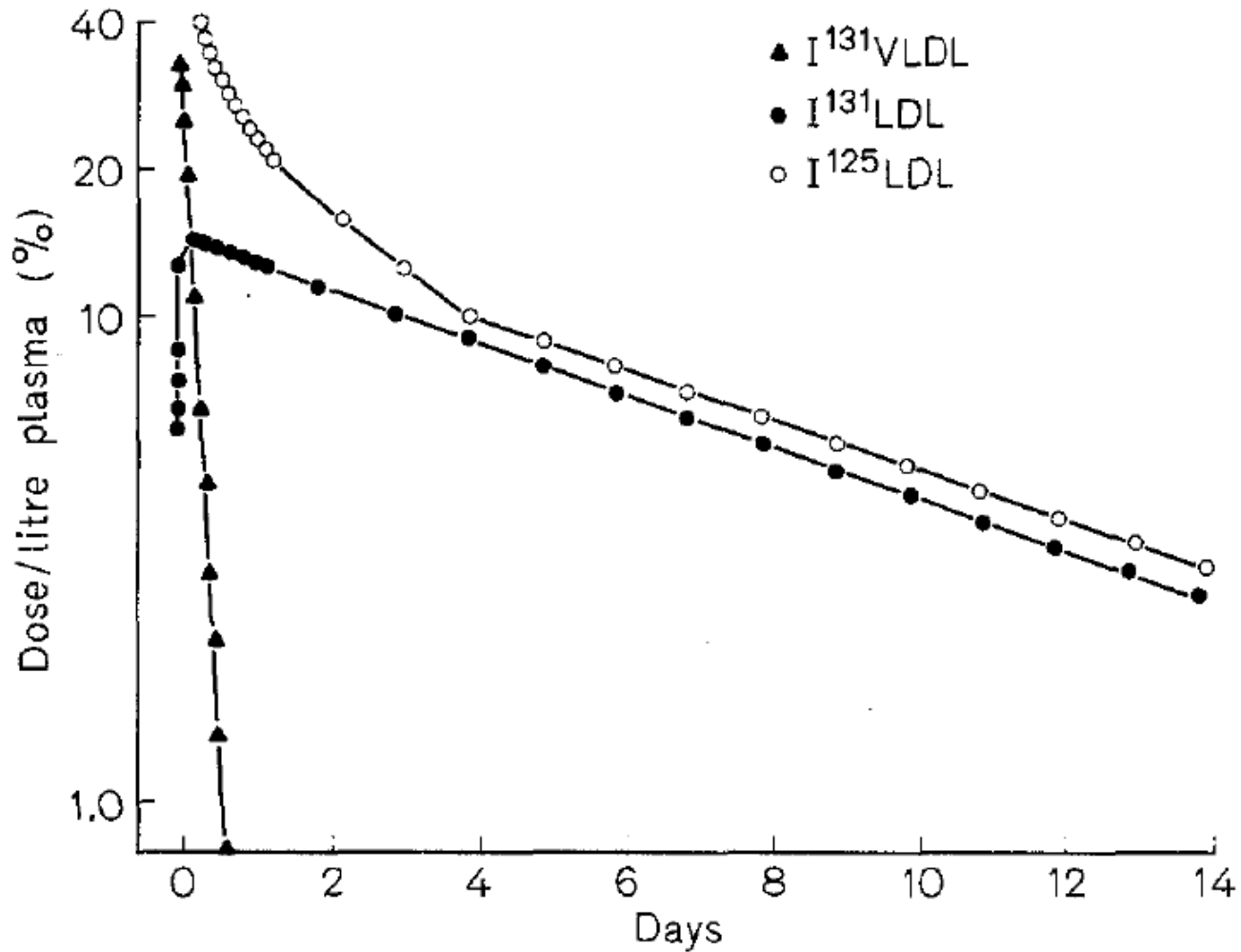
Functional classes of *LDLR* mutants



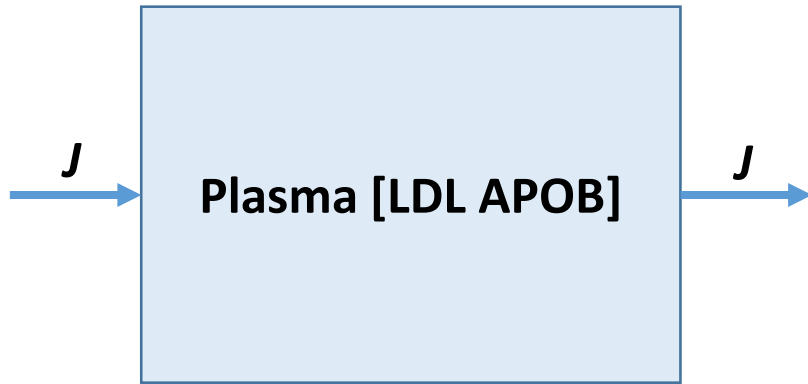
Mutation class	Synthesis	Transport	Binding	Clustering	Recycling
I	X				
II	→	X			
III	→	→	X		
IV	→	→	→	X	
V	→	→	→	→	X

Kumar: Robbins and Cotran
Pathologic Basis of Disease,
Professional Edition , 8th ed.

Adapted from
Hobbs HH, et al.
Annu Rev Genet 1990;24:133

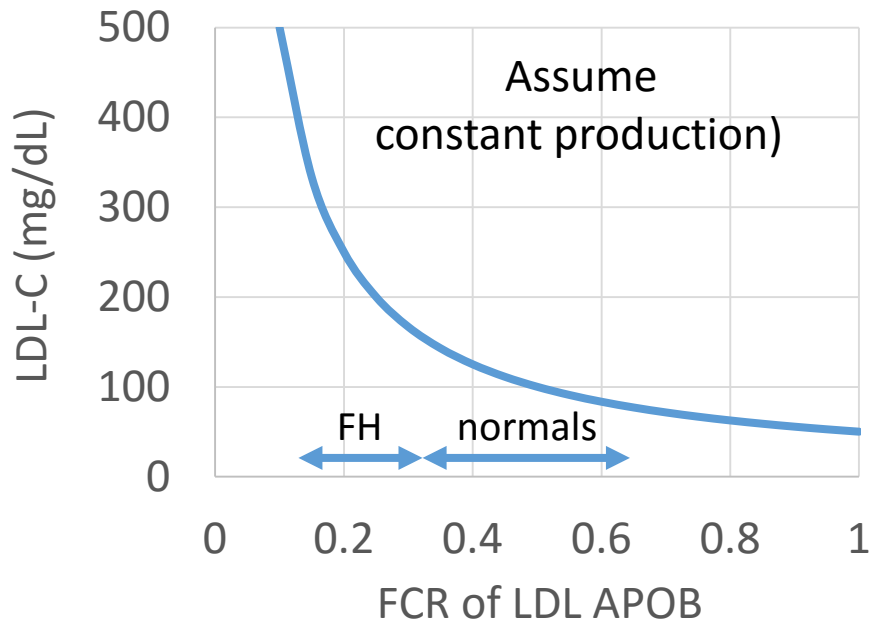


Plasma VLDL B-apoprotein and LDL radioactivity curves following the simultaneous injection of I¹³¹ VLDL and I¹²⁵ LDL to a normal subject

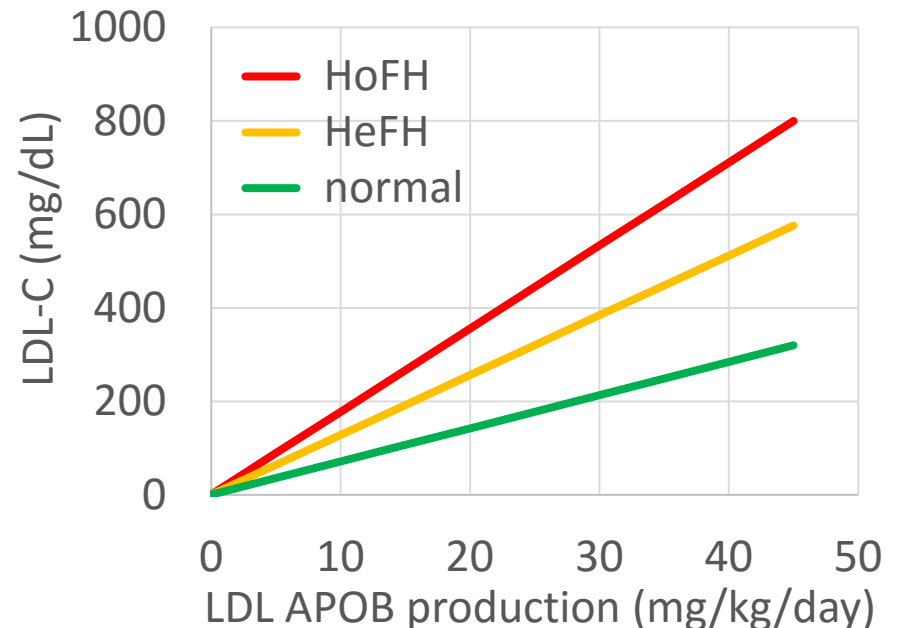


$$J = k [\text{LDL APOB}] (\text{plasma volume})$$

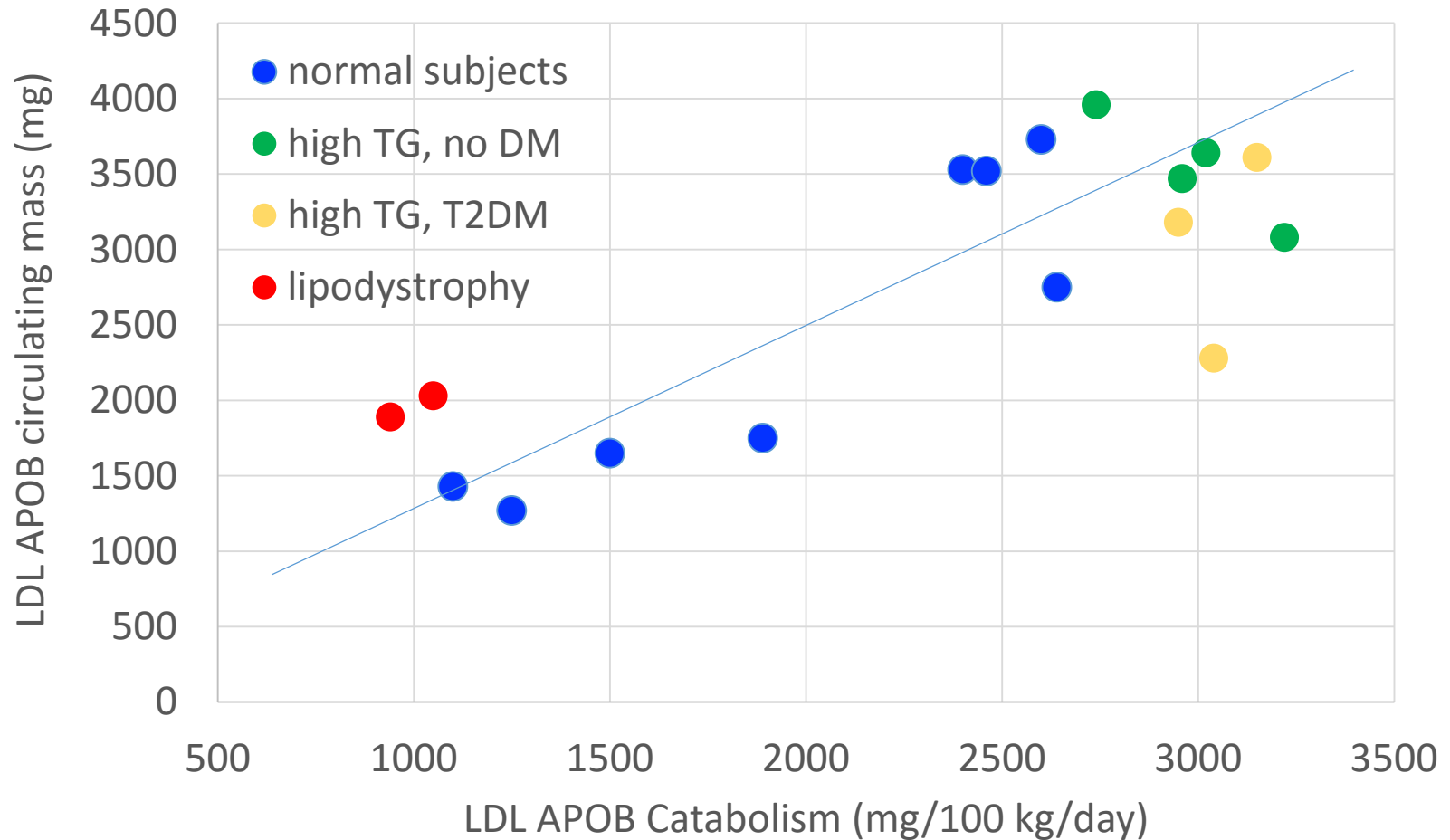
$$FCR = \frac{J}{[\text{LDL APOB}] (\text{plasma volume})}$$



- LDL plasma concentration is determined by production rate and fractional catabolic rate (FCR)
- Typical FCRs (Bilheimer DW, JCI 1979)
 - HoFH 0.18
 - HeFH 0.29
 - Normal 0.45
- About 70% of LDL flux in humans is due to hepatic LDLR activity (Dietschy JM, et al. J Lipid Res 1993; 34:1637)

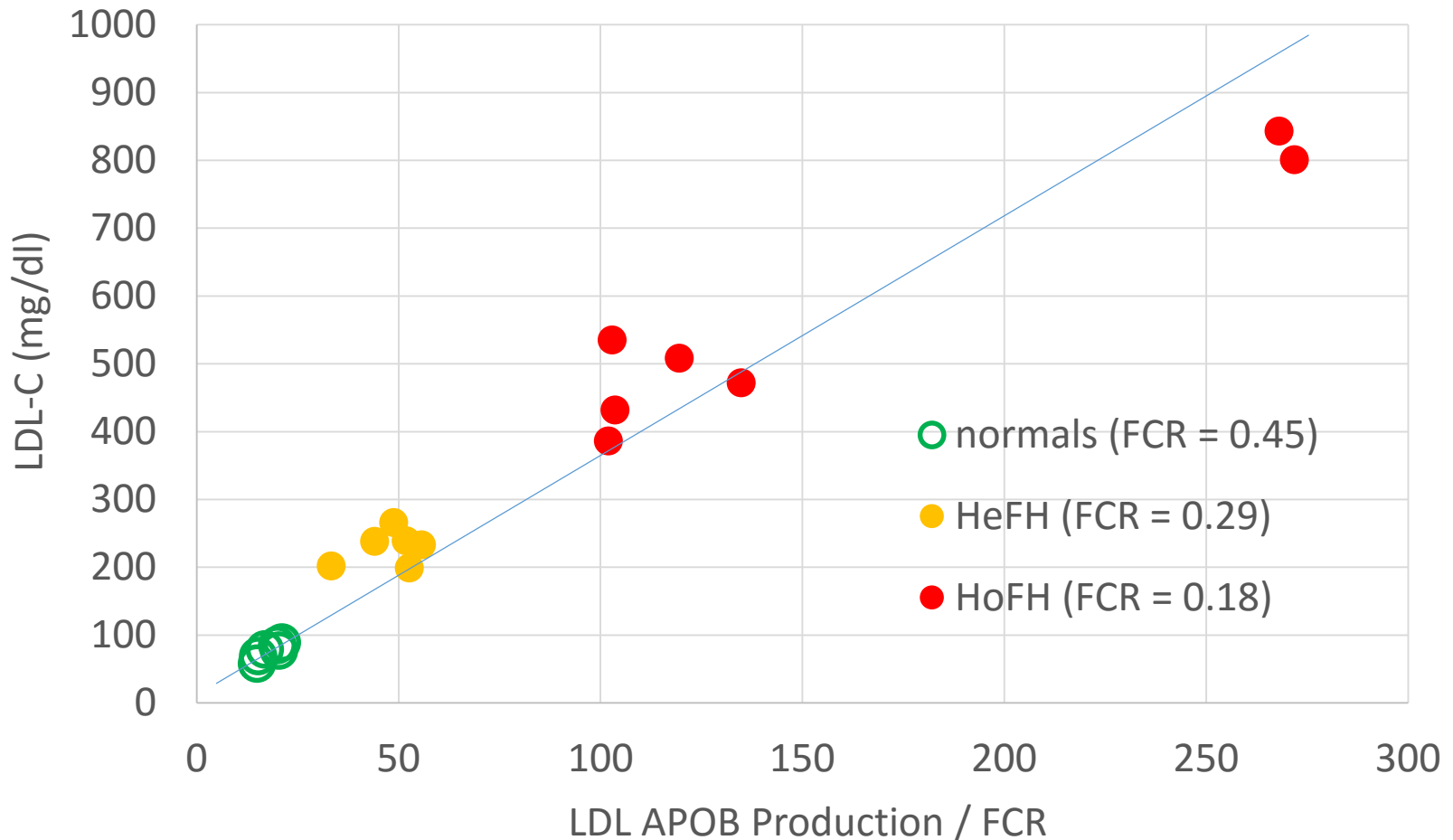


Kinetic studies of VLDL and LDL in subjects with normal FCR



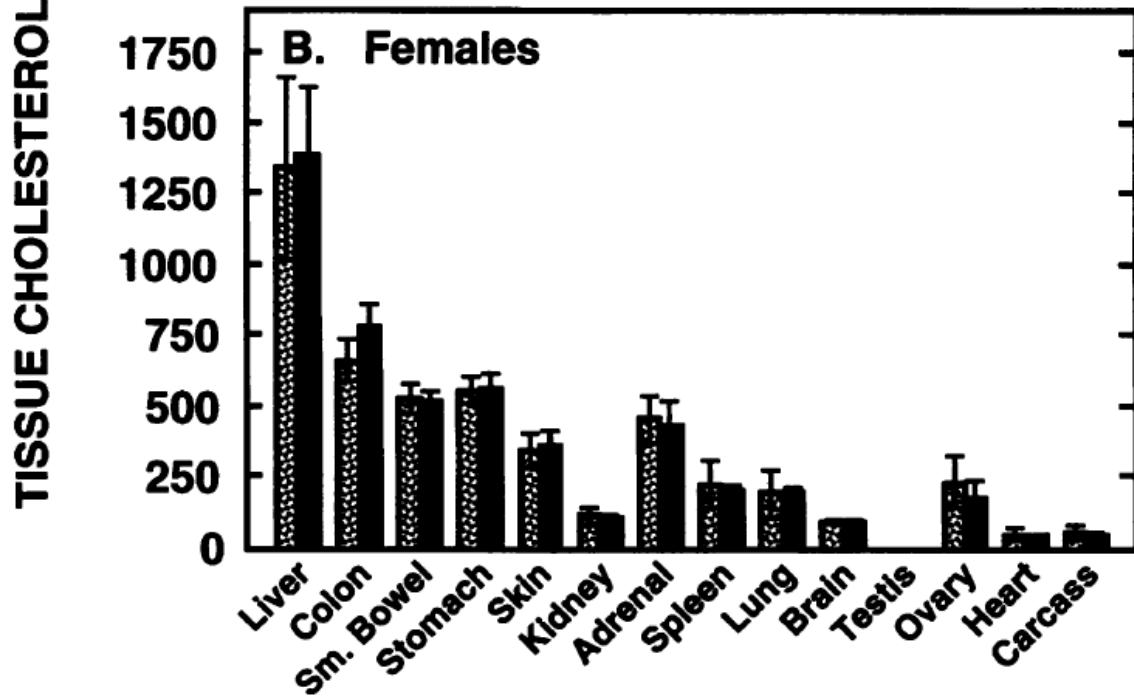
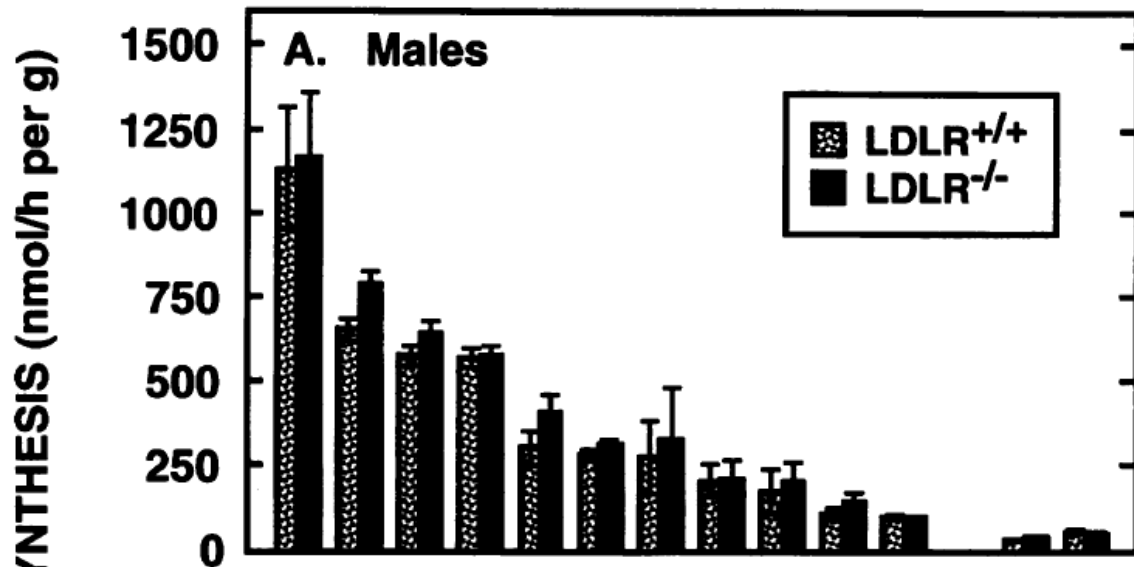
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Kinetic studies of VLDL and LDL in normals, HeFH, and HoFH

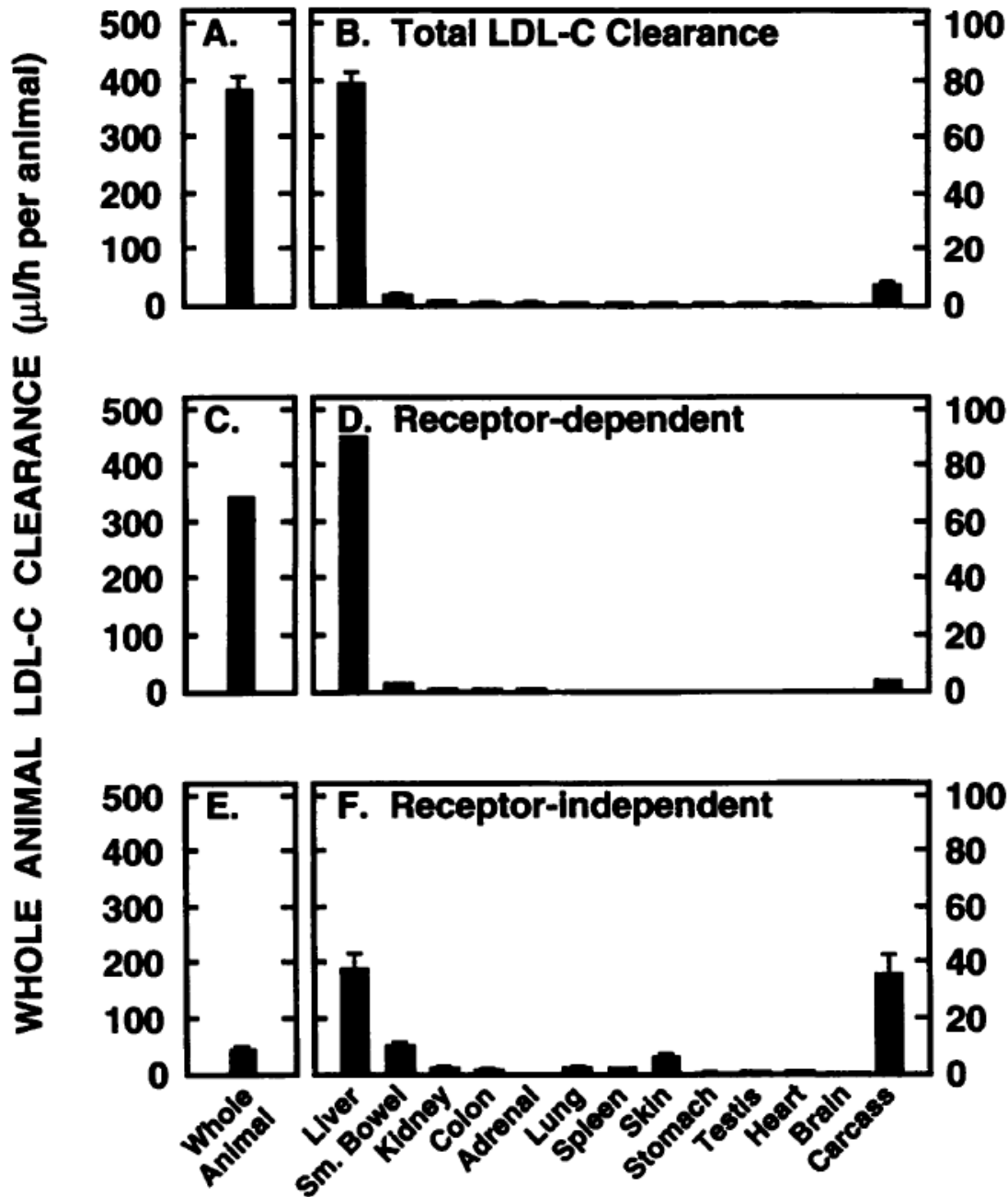


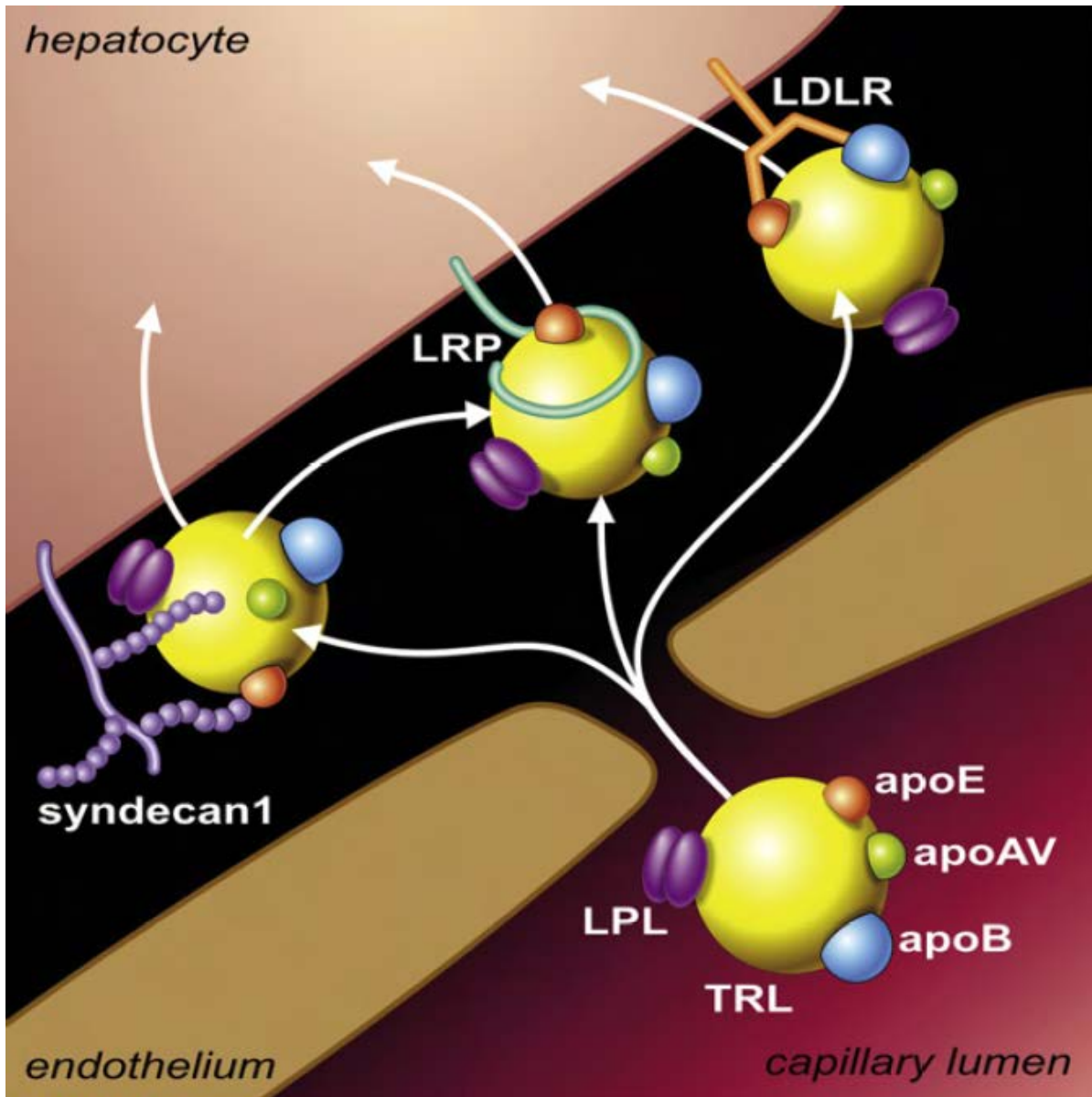
Comparing LDLR^{+/+} with LDLR^{-/-} mice (on low cholesterol diets)

- In LDLR^{+/+}
 - 78% cholesterol synthesis occurred outside liver
 - FCR: 7.1 pools of LDL-C per day
 - 79% of this degradation took place in the liver.
 - **88% LDLR dependent**
 - 91% of whole body LDLR-dependent transport in the liver
 - 38% of whole body LDLR-independent uptake in the liver
- In LDLR^{-/-}
 - LDL-C production rate increased 1.7-fold
 - LDL-C turnover (FCR) decreased from 7.1 to 0.88 pools/d,
 - plasma LDL-C level increased 14-fold, from 7 to 101 mg/dl.

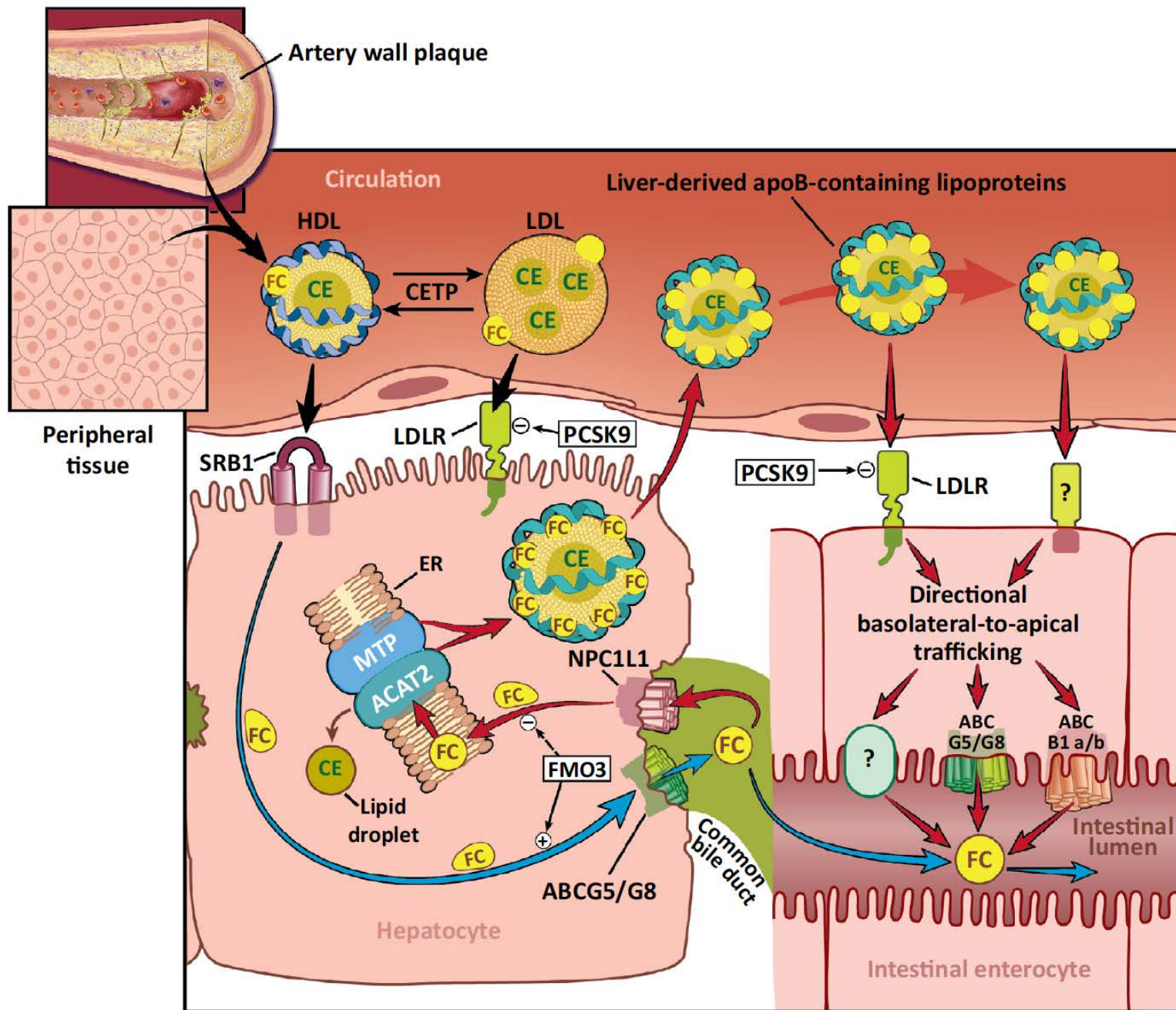


NOTE: very little change in cholesterol synthesis with LDLR KO. Most tissues synthesized their own cholesterol or compensate by taking up LDL through alternative pathways.



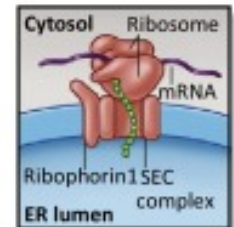
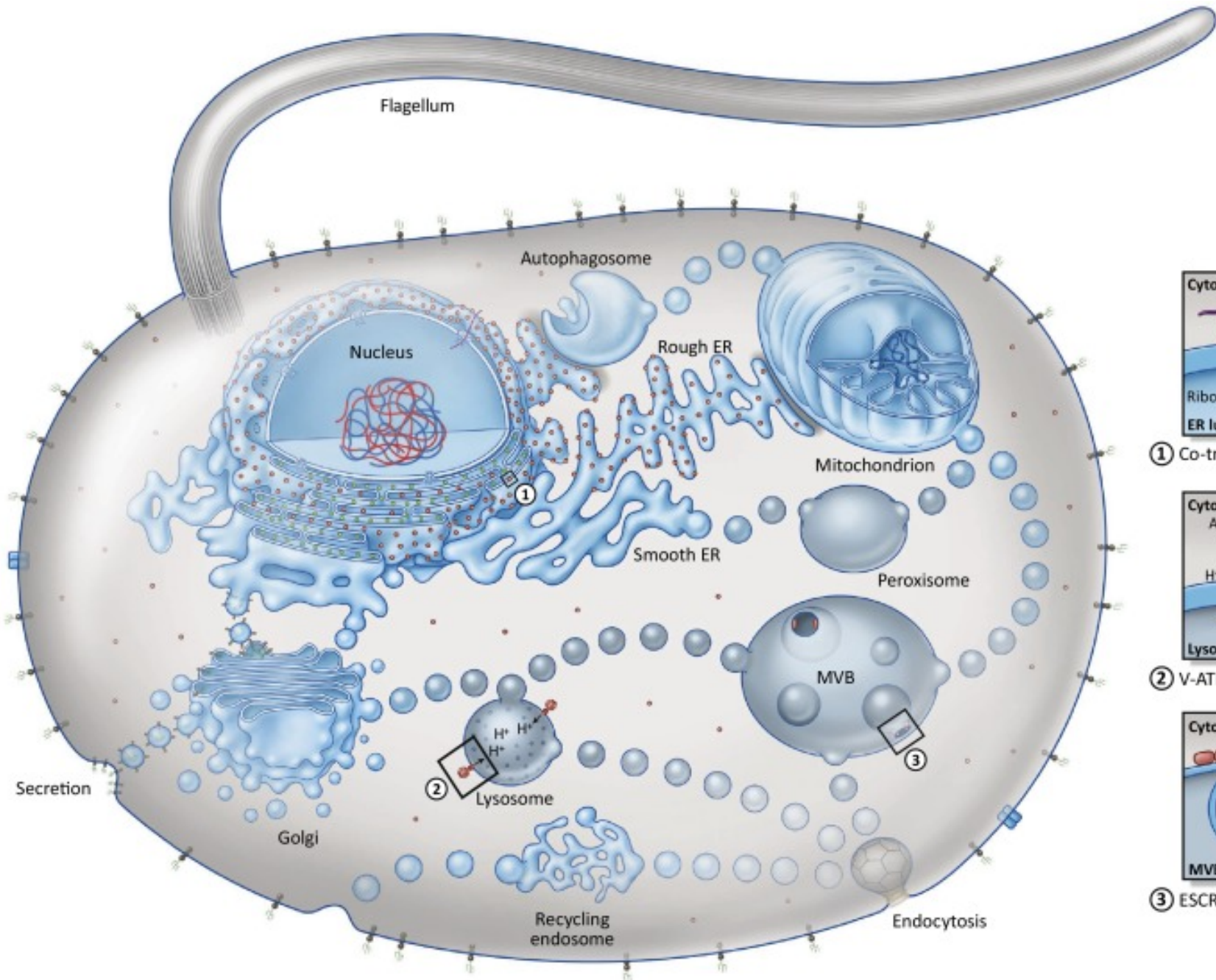


- Hepatic secretion of apo E into space of Disse more effective than circulating apo E.
- LDLR internalization (normal LDLRAP1) not required for uptake.
- Syndecan 1 (SDC1) binds apo E, LPL, HL.
- SDC1 required for remnant removal.
- Sulfation of SDC1 is required for remnant removal.
- Sulfate removal by *SULF2* (markedly upregulated by diabetes) impairs remnant removal.

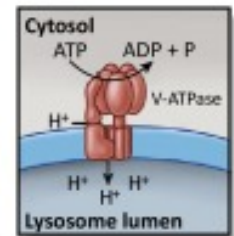


Summary of basic LDLR physiology

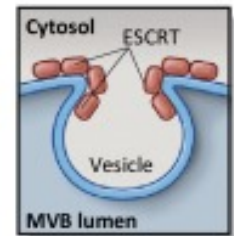
- LDL receptors normally mediate most LDL removal from the plasma compartment.
 - About 80% of all LDL removal is LDLR-mediated
 - About 80% of LDLR-mediated uptake is into the liver
- With normal LDL receptors, LDL levels are strongly determined by LDL production rate
 - LDLR expression can still be affected by medications (statins), saturated fat, cholesterol intake, etc.
- At a given production rate, LDL levels are inversely proportional to FCR
 - 50% reduction in LDLR activity → ~2-fold higher LDL-C
- LDLR also facilitates TRL remnant/IDL processing and mediates TICE (trans-intestinal cholesterol excretion)



① Co-translation event



② V-ATPase



③ ESCRT

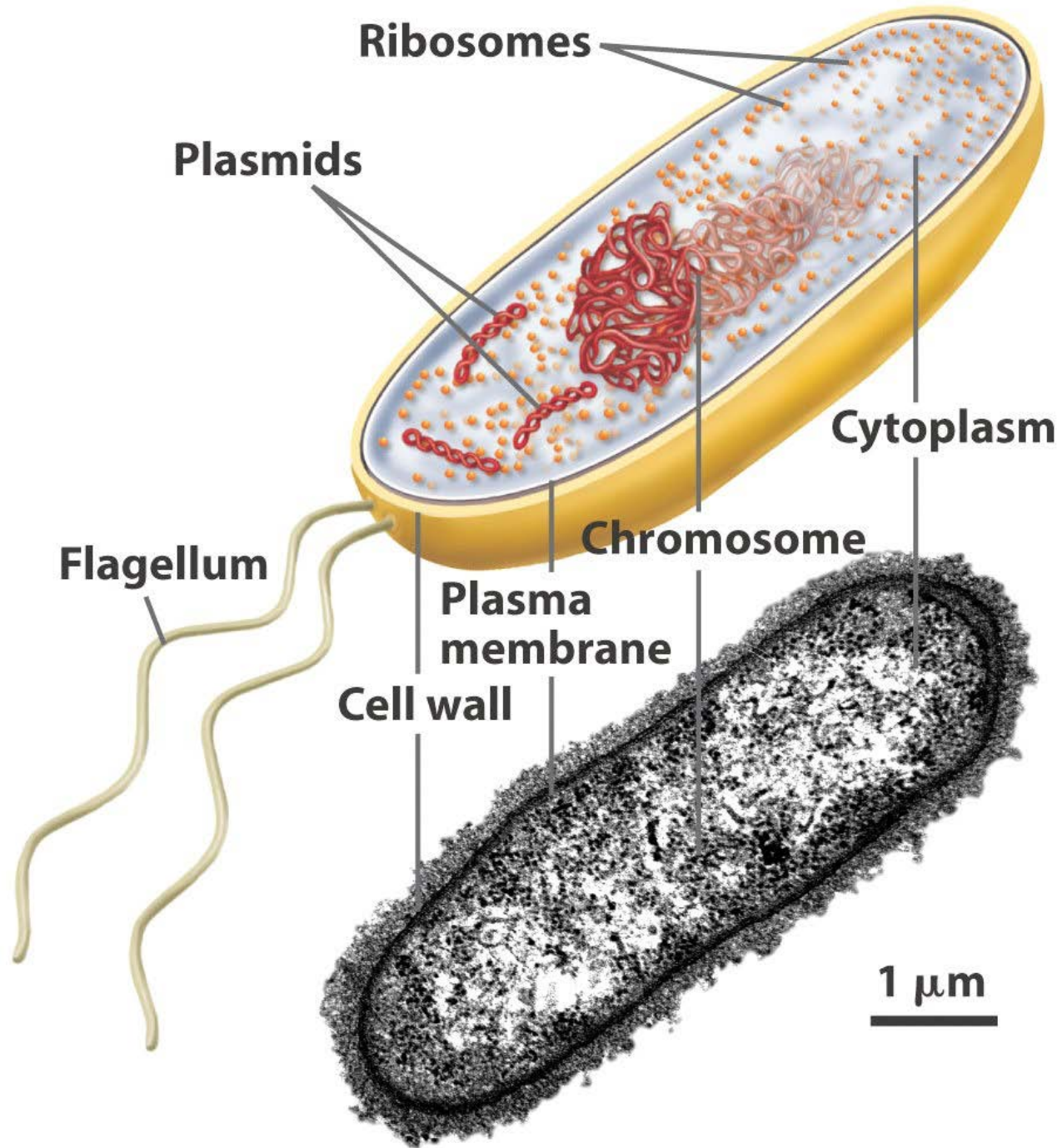
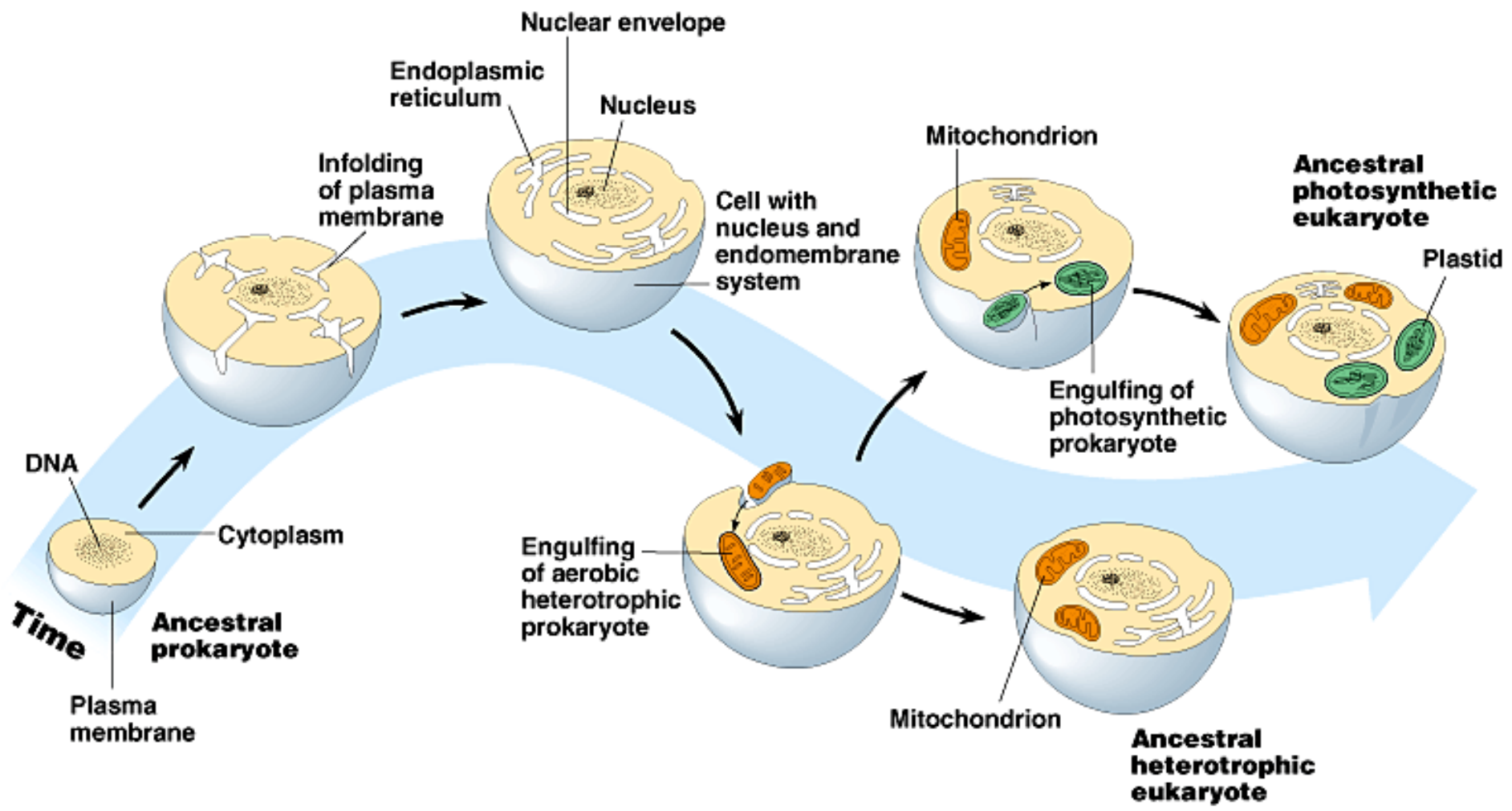
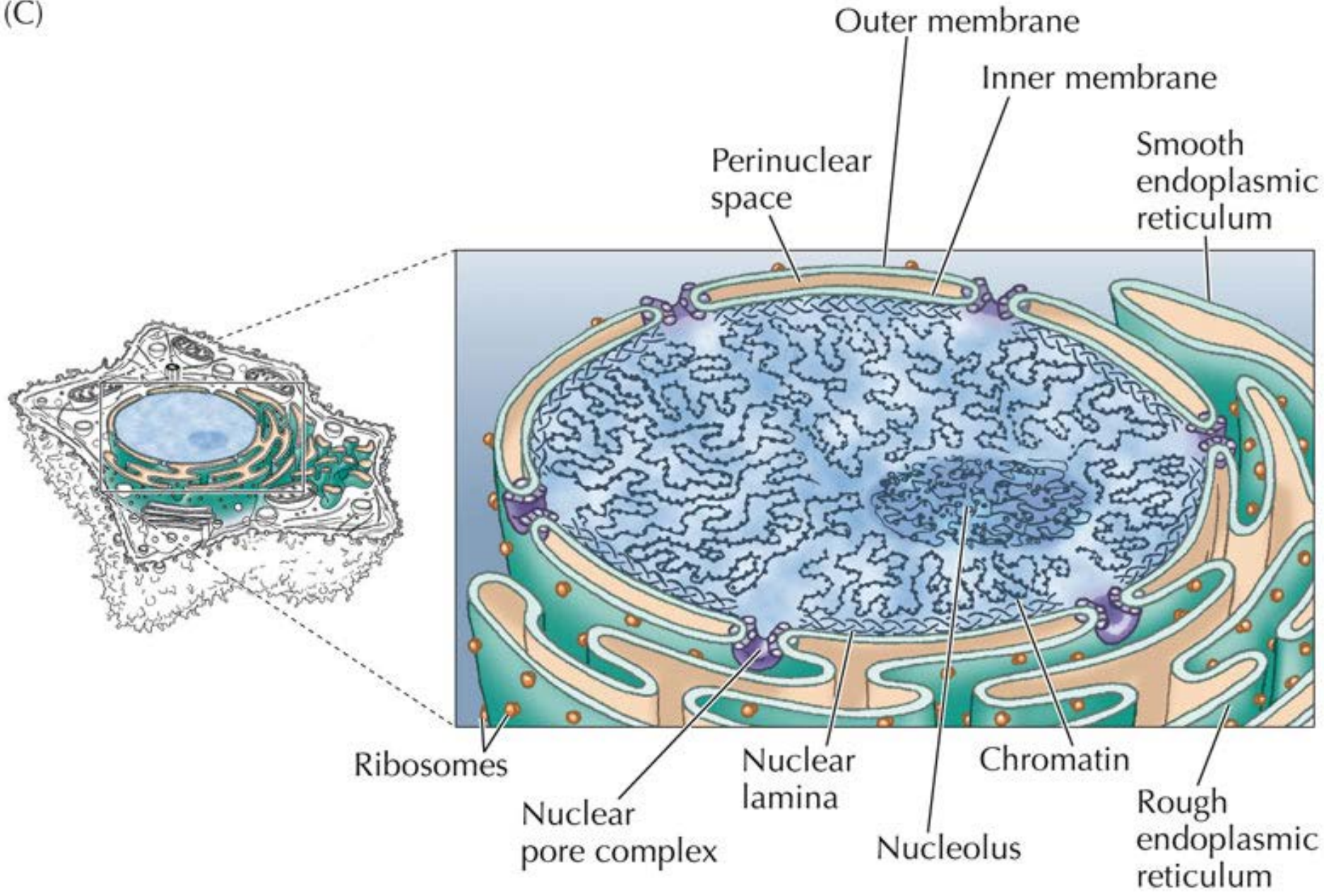


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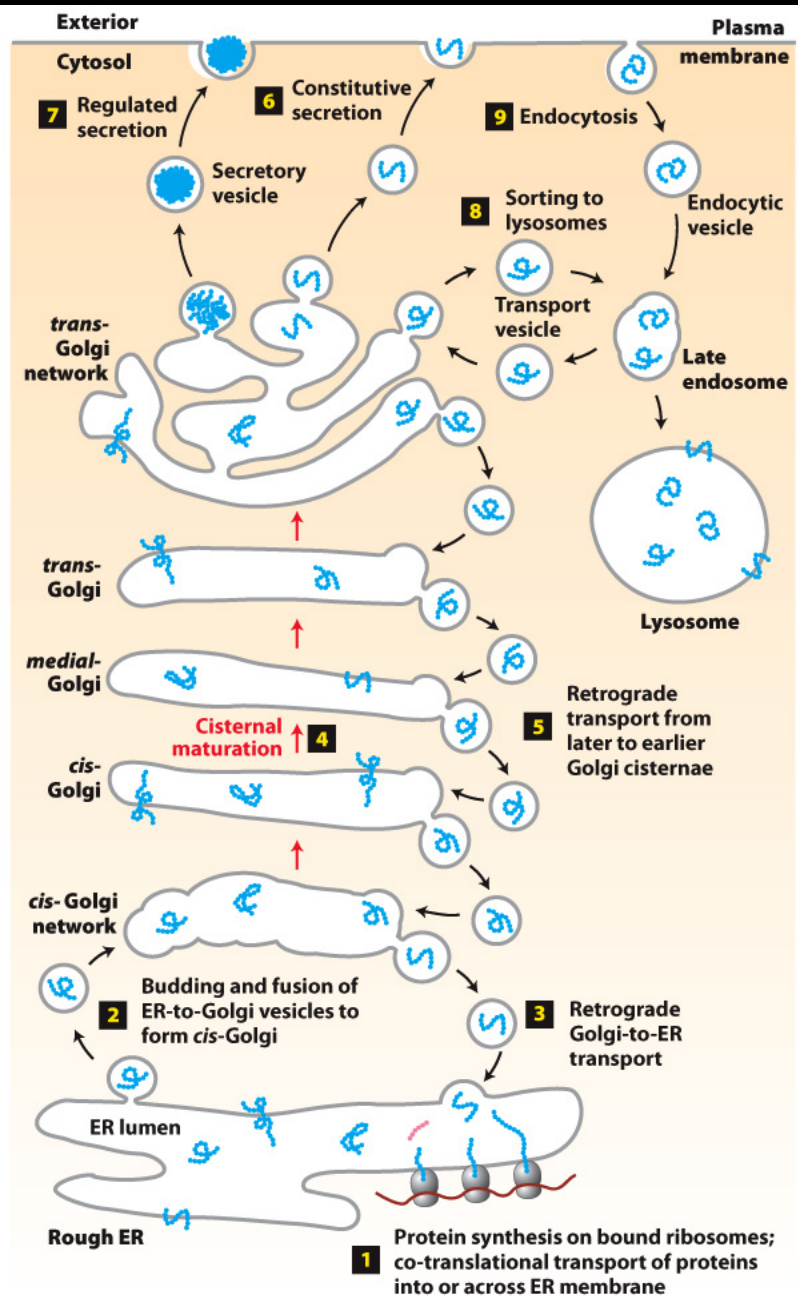
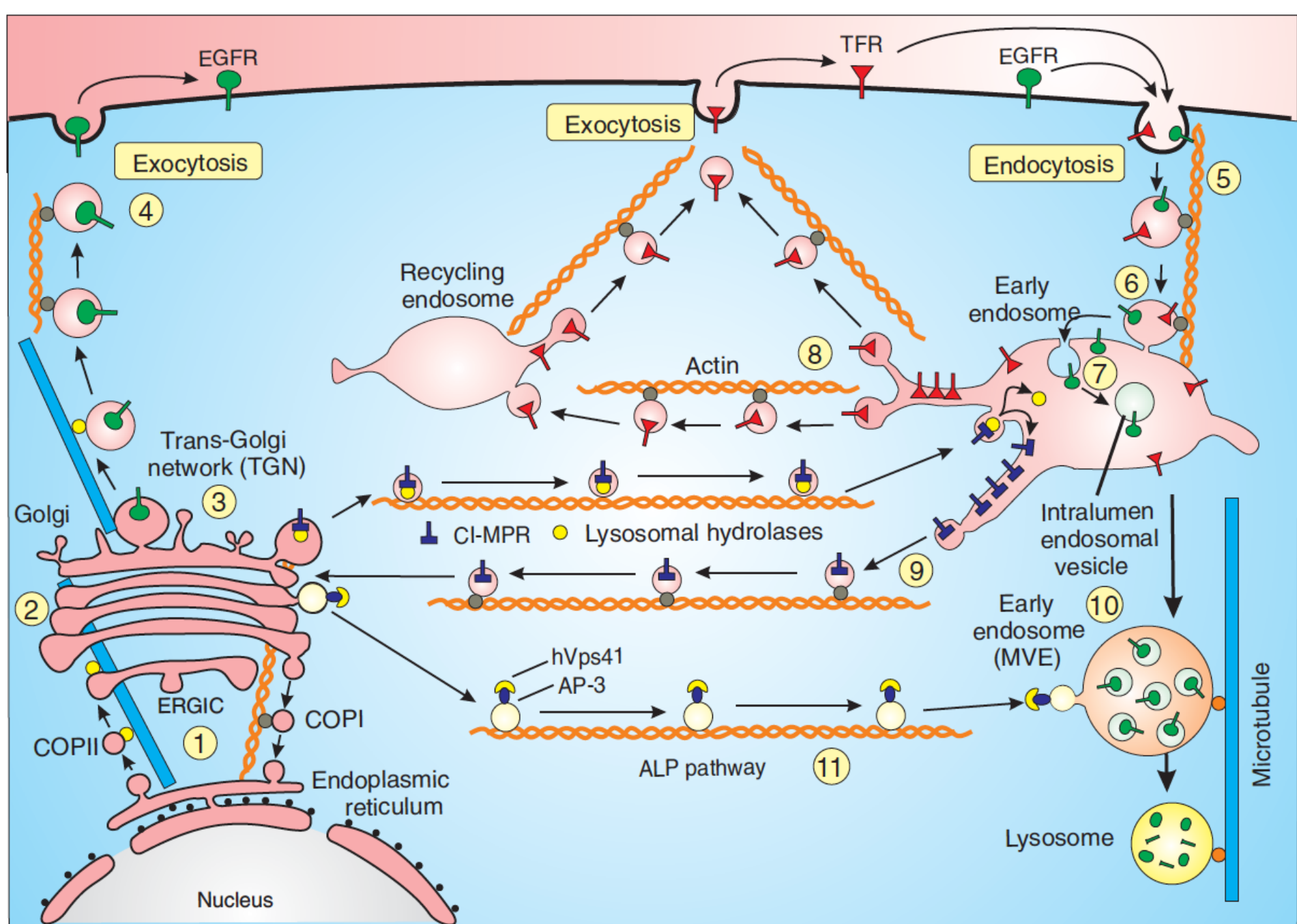
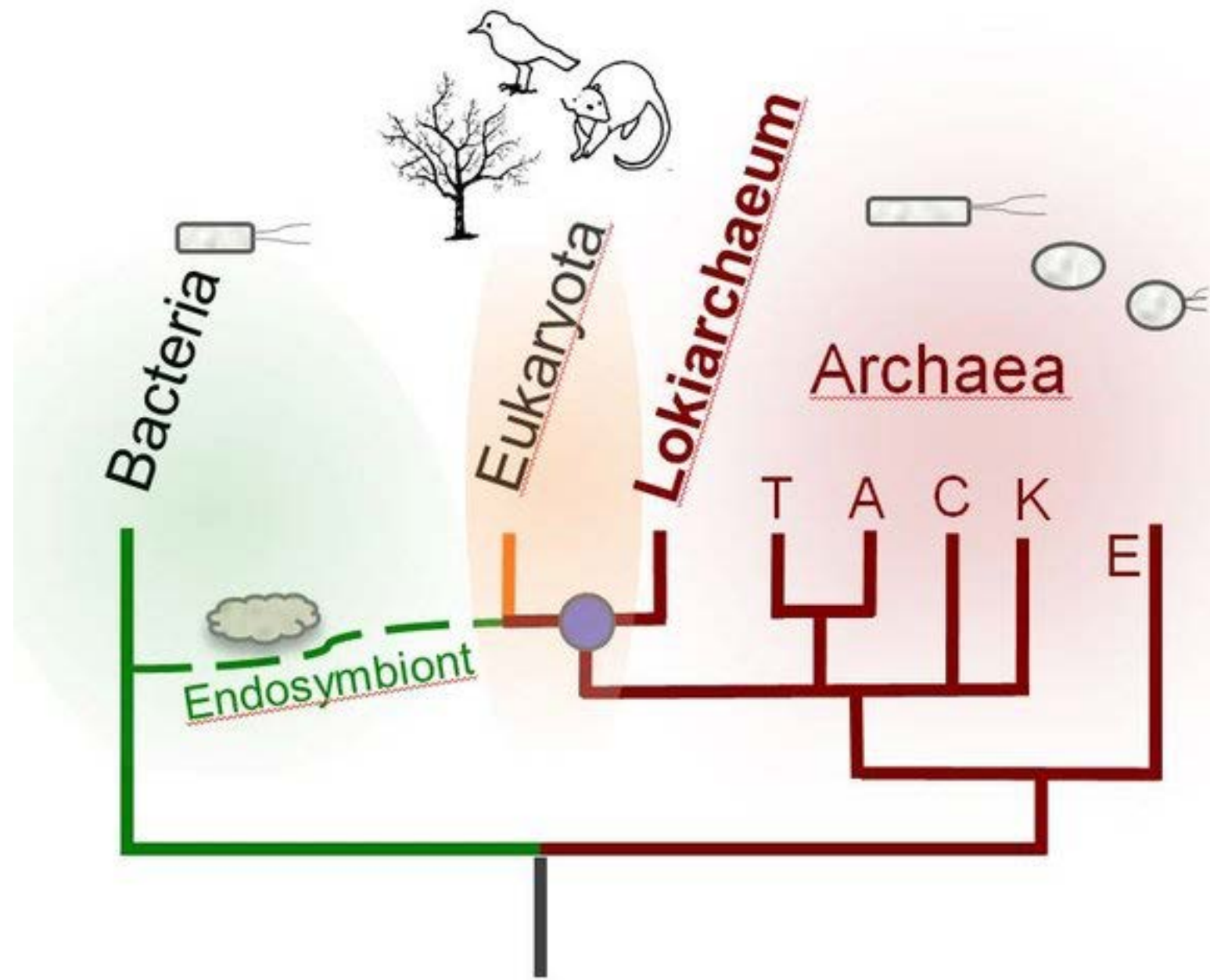
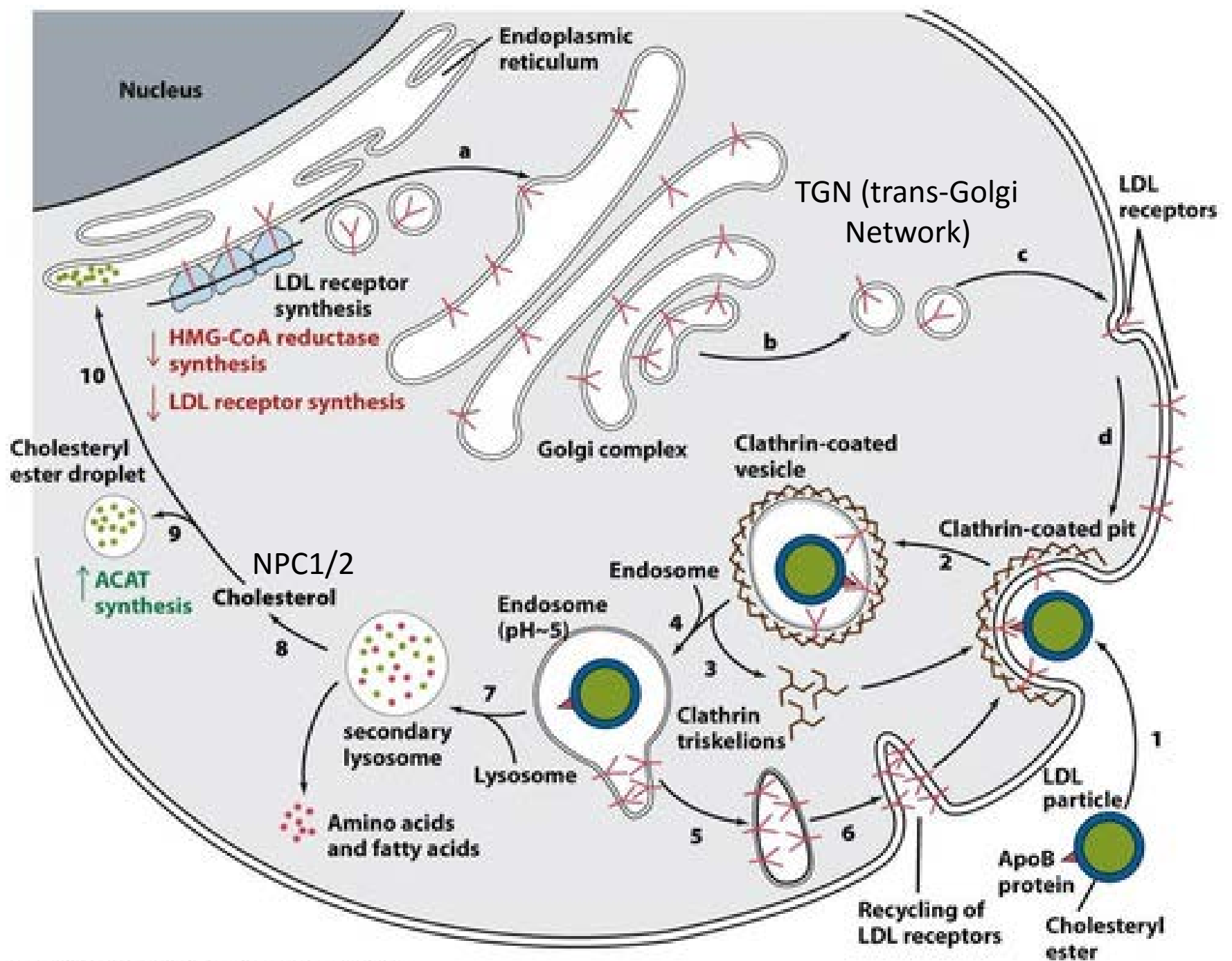


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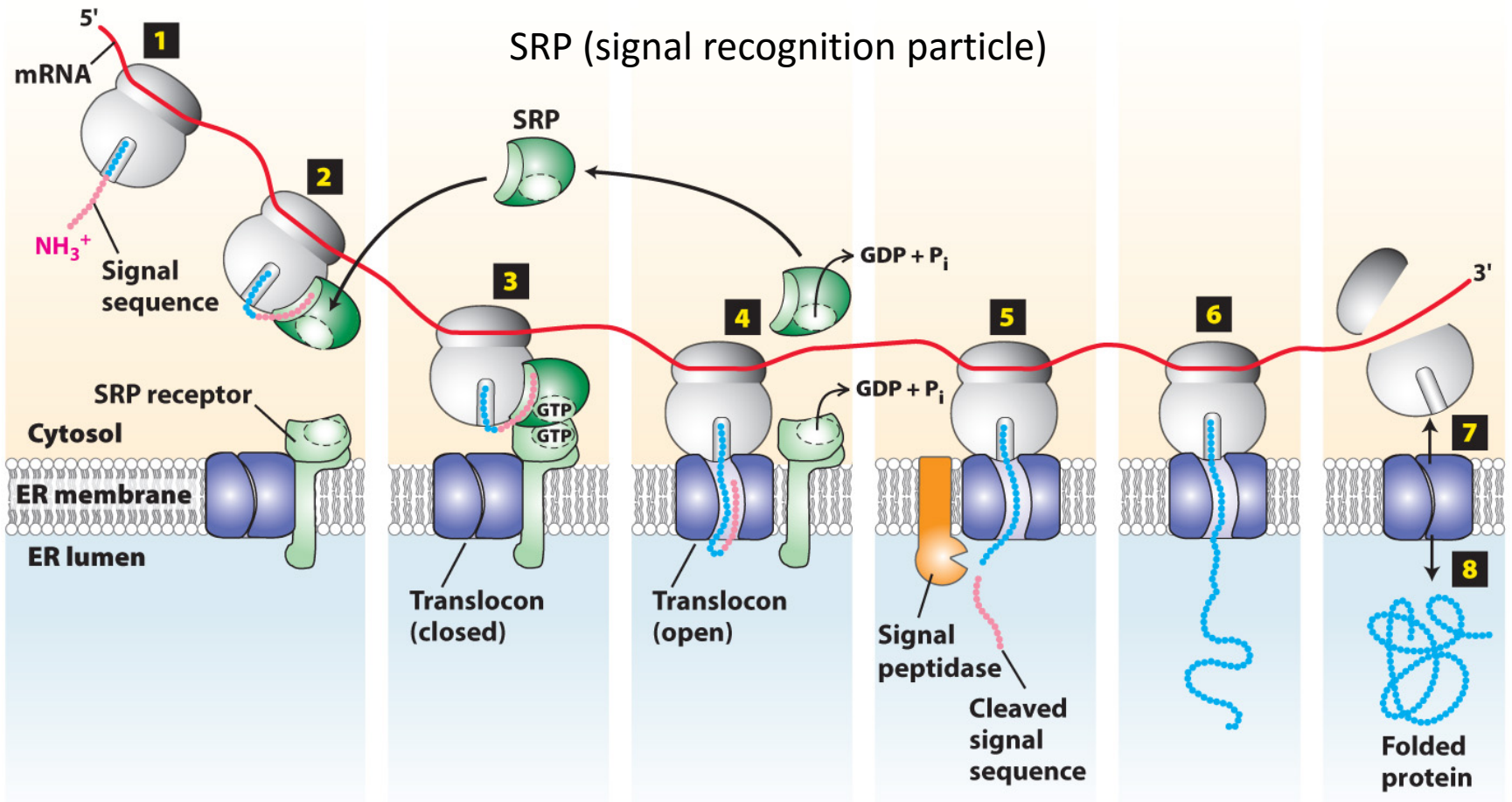


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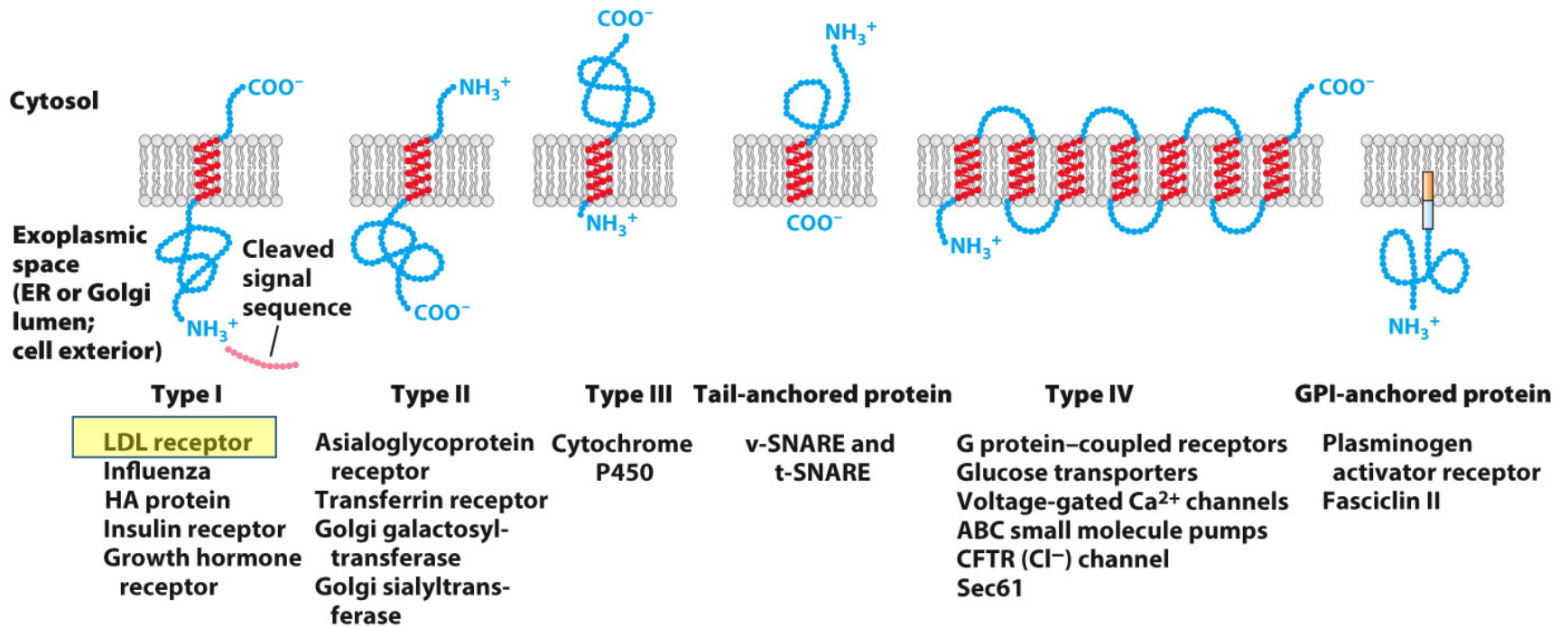
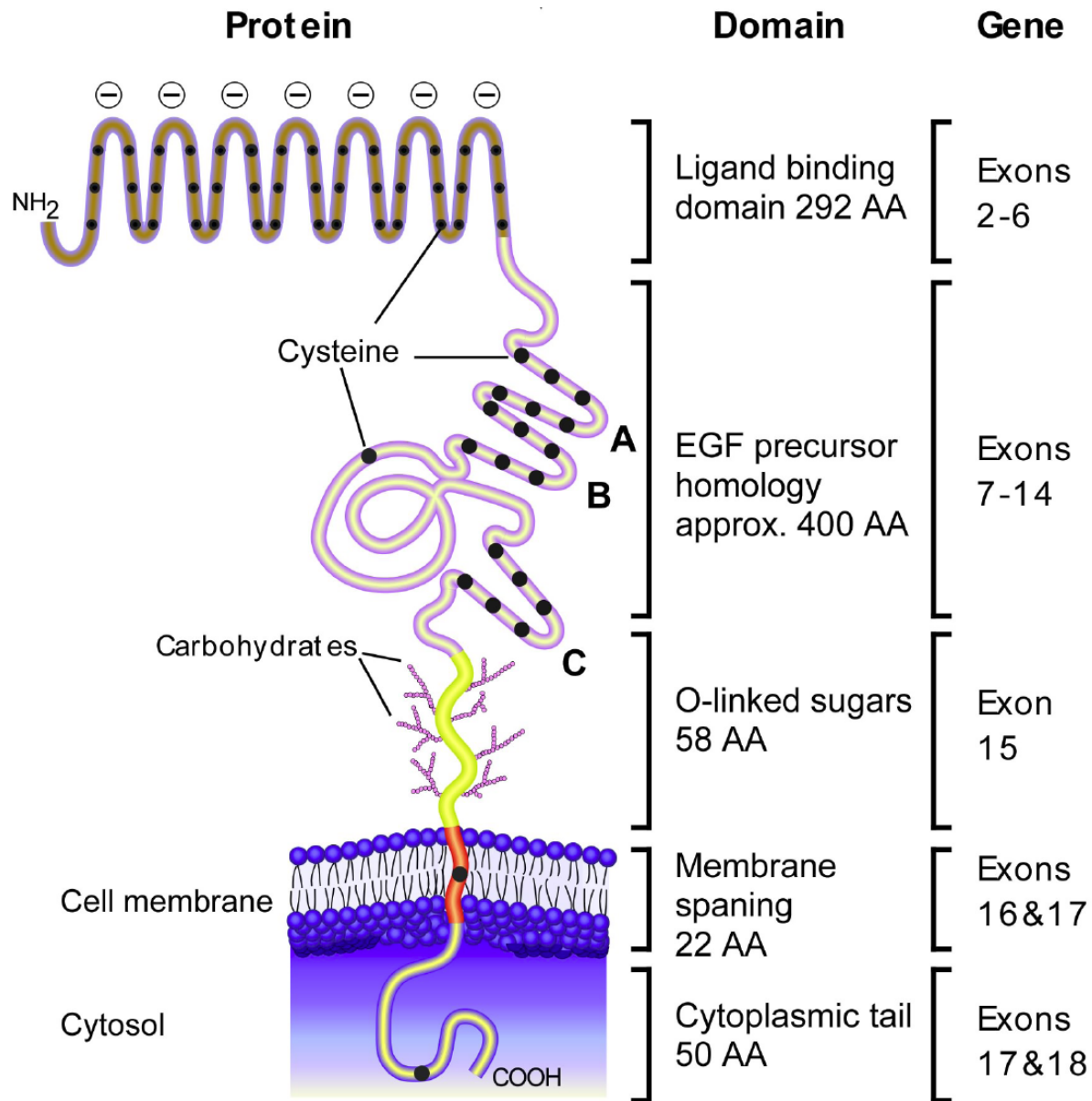


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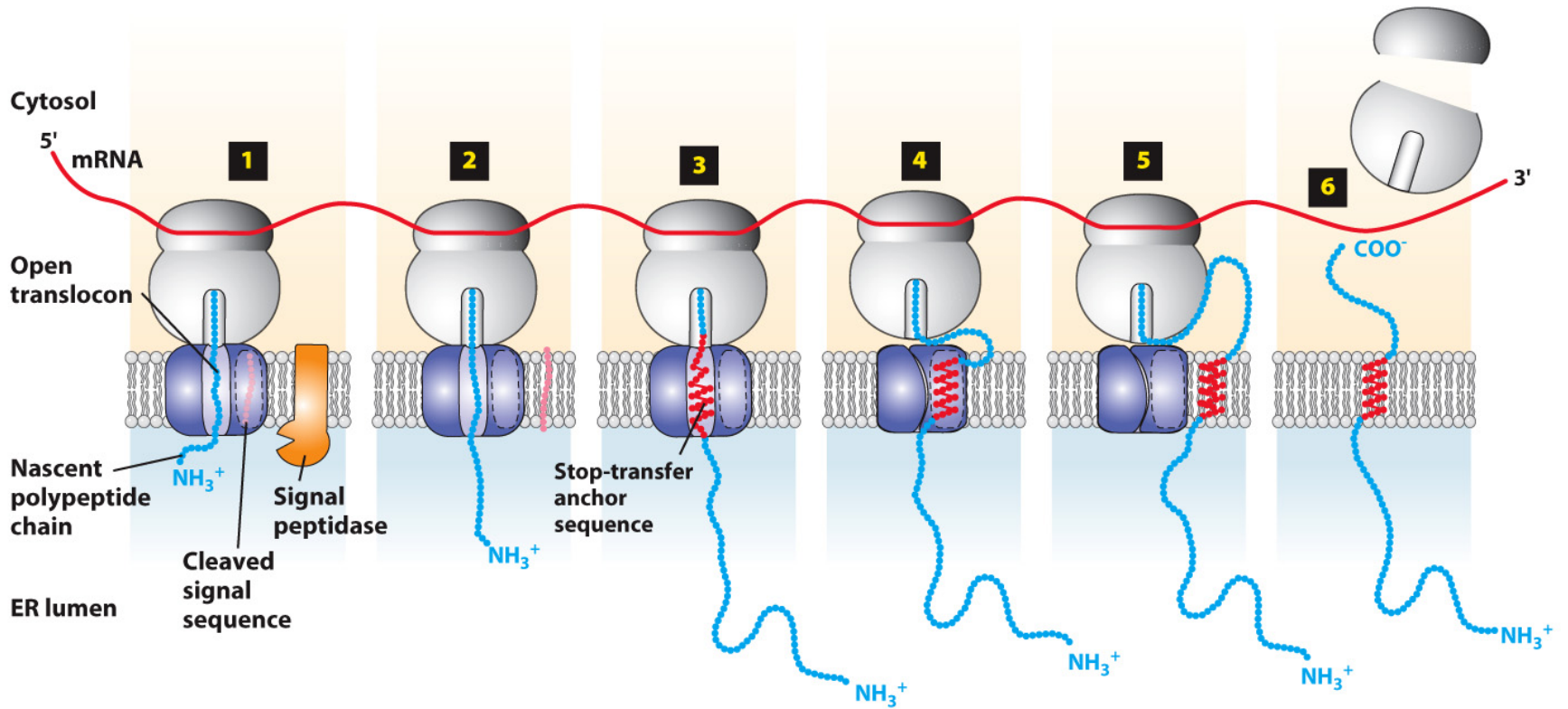


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Types of Class 1 (synthesis failure) LDLR mutations

- Promoter mutations (may not be as severe)
 - None known in 1990 Hobbs/Goldstein/Brown review
 - Single base pair changes causing FH are known in each of 3 SRE (SREBP binding sites), Sp1 site, TATA box
 - Khamis A, et al. Eur J Hum Genet 2015;23:790
 - http://www.ucl.ac.uk/ldlr/LOVDv.1.1.0/search.php?select_db=LDLR&srch=all
- Signal sequence (targeting to ER) (17 reported)
- Other reasons for synthesis failure (many 100s)
 - Large insertions, deletions
 - Frameshift, nonsense, splice site mutations

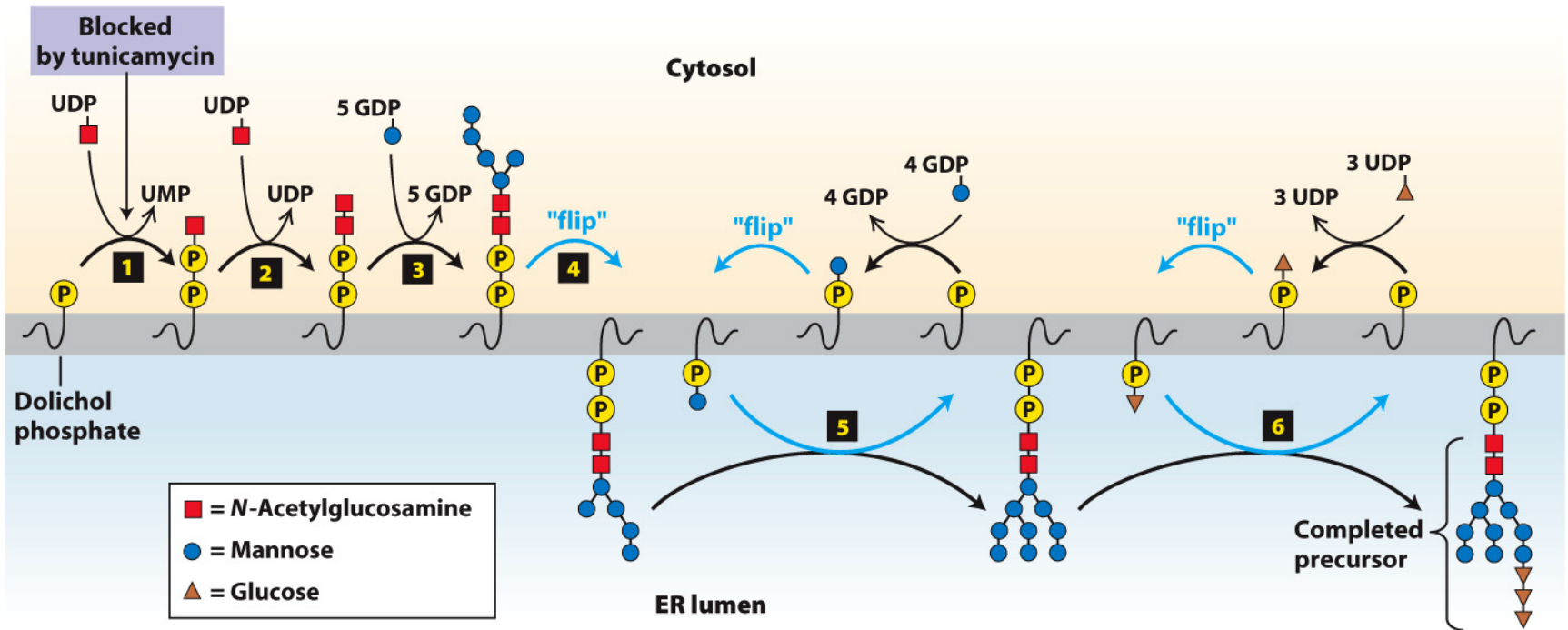


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Note: dolichol is an isoprenoid depleted by statins.

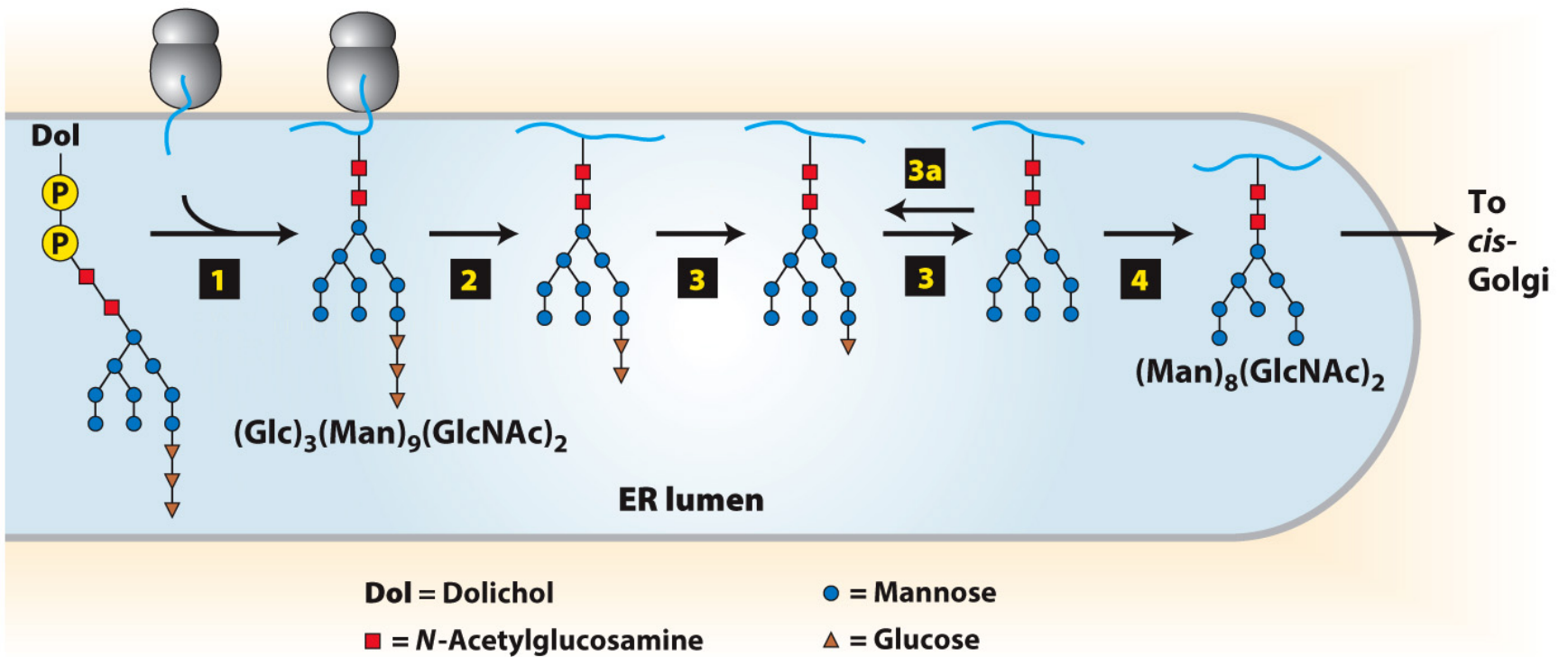


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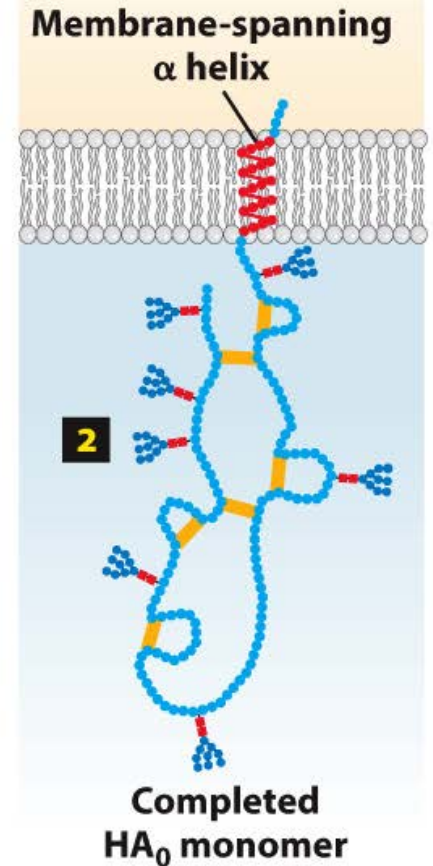
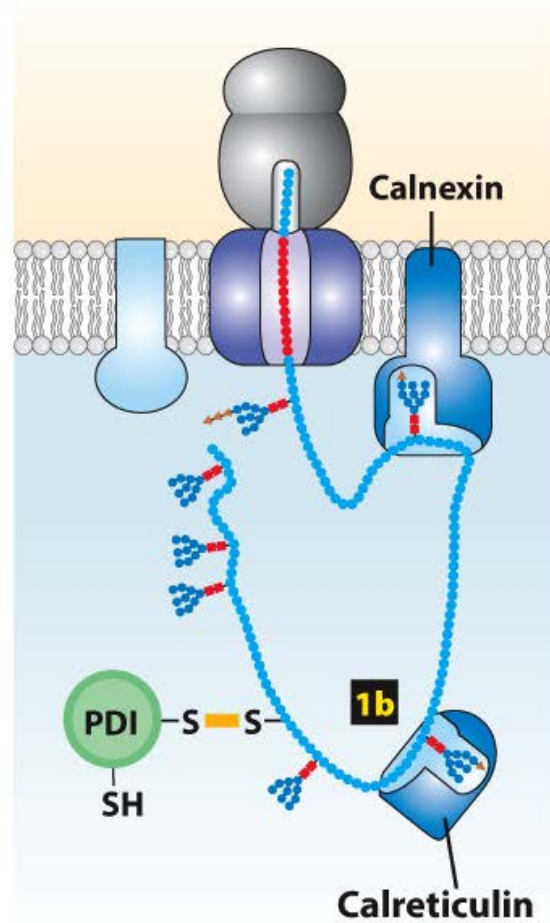
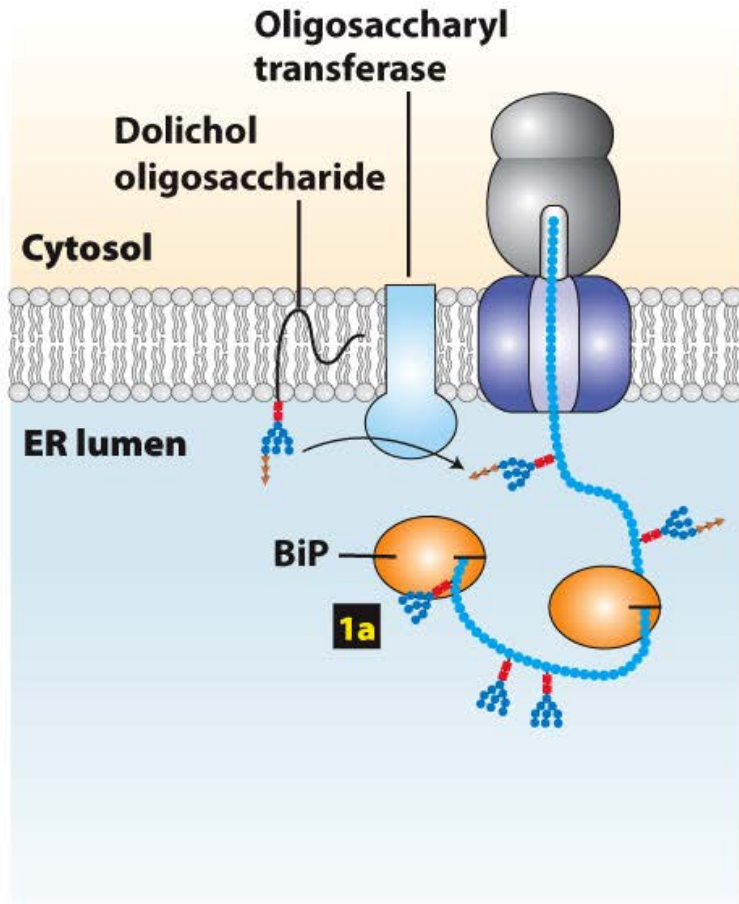
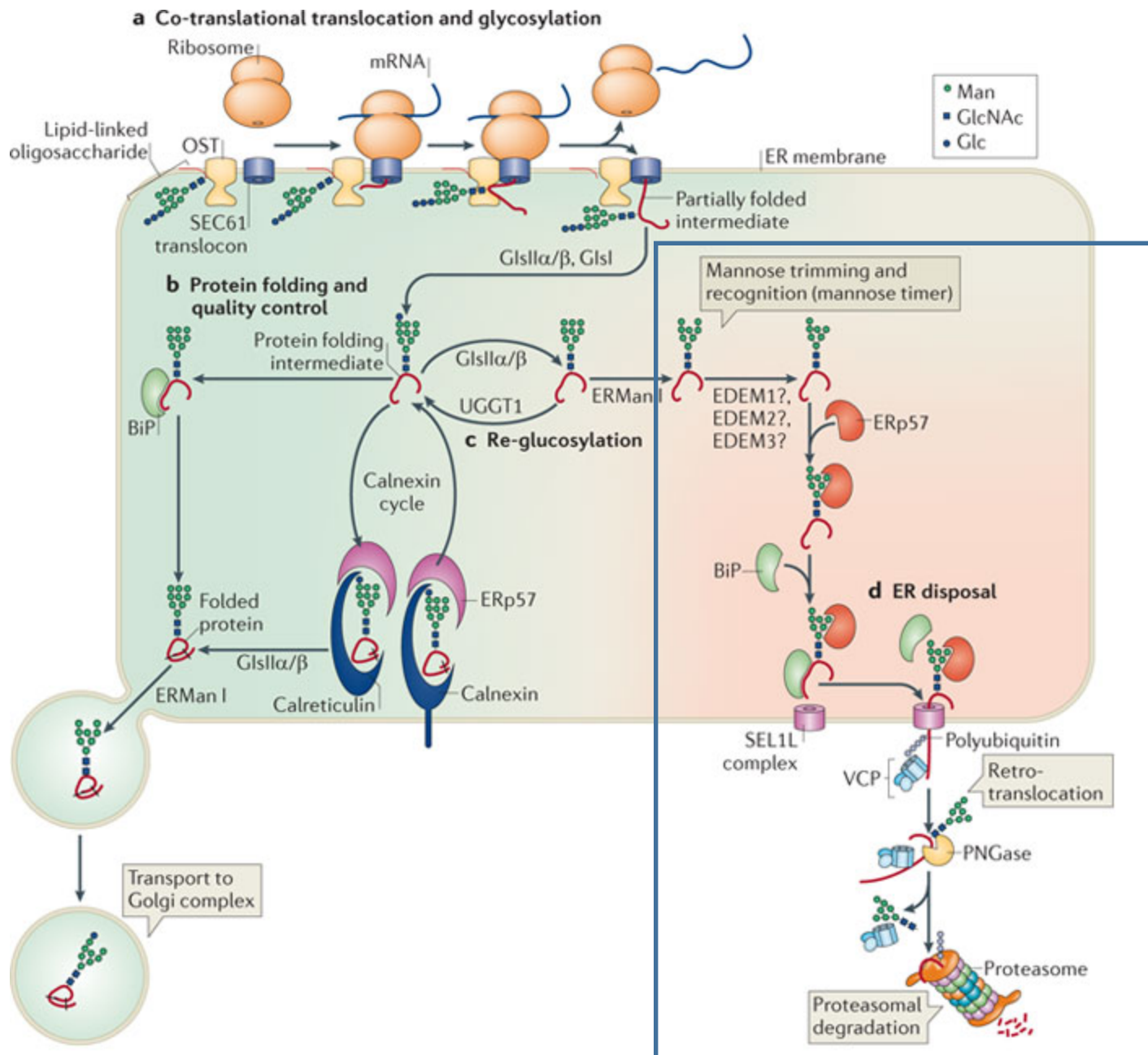


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PDI (protein disulfide isomerase)

(example here is for hemagglutinin folding)



Class 2 (misfolding) mutations of the LDLR are most common

- About 50% of LDLR mutations
 - Class 2a – no protein leaves ER
 - Class 2b – reduced protein trafficking from ER
- Lead to ER stress and unfolded protein response (UPR)
 - Chaperones BiP (Gpr78), Grp94, ERp72 (a thioredoxin which reverses initial inappropriate disulfide bonds), and calnexin bind misfolded LDLR in the ER
 - UPR triggered by sensors IRE1, PERK, ATF6
 - UPR increases chaperone transcription, increases capacity of ERAD (ER associated degradation), 26 S proteasome, ER and Golgi membranes
 - Unknown, if any, clinical significance

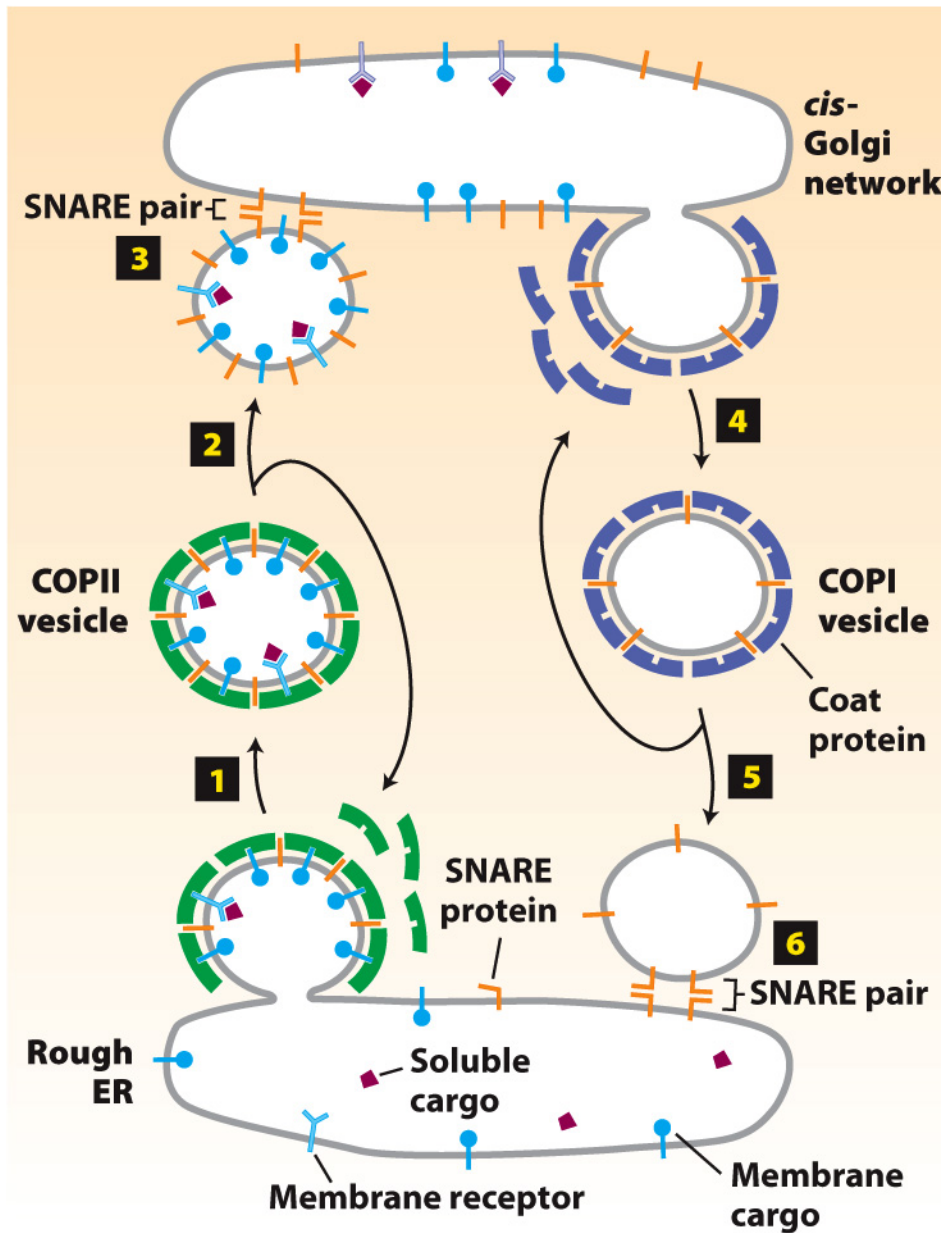
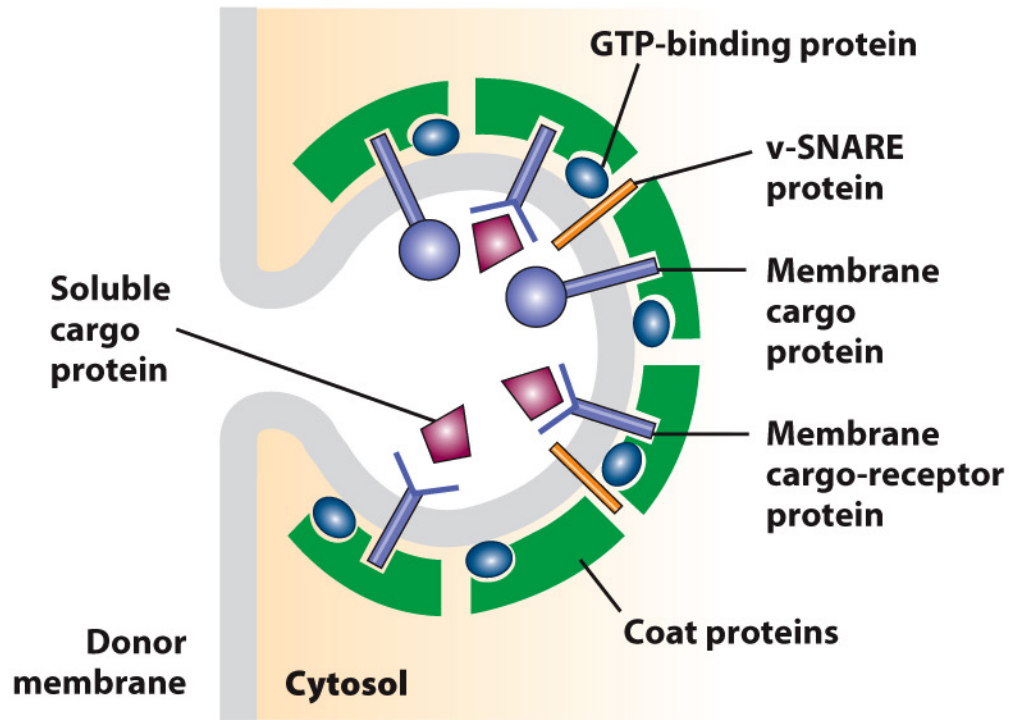


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(a) Coated vesicle budding



(b) Uncoated vesicle fusion

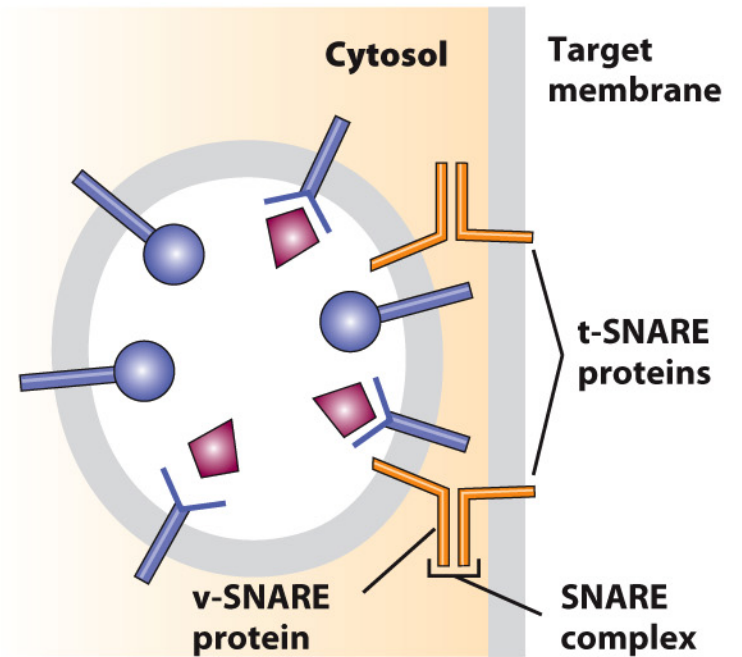


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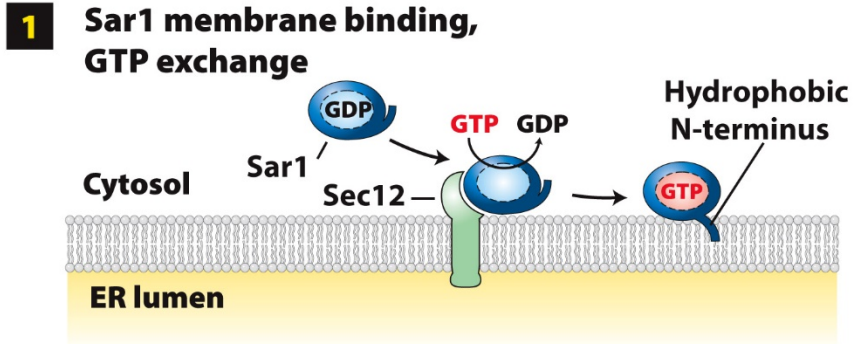


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2 COPII coat assembly

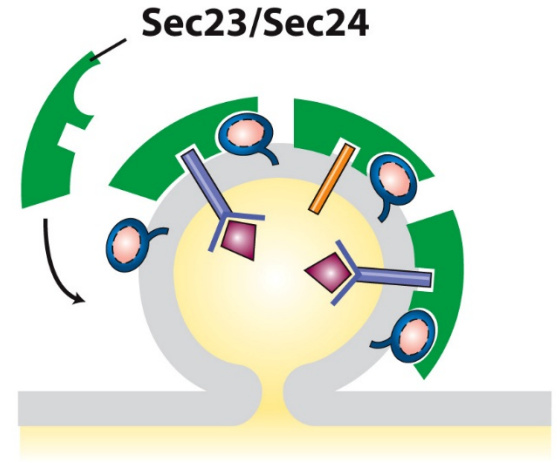


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3 GTP hydrolysis

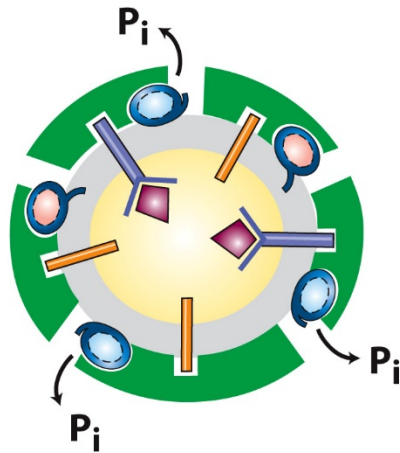


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4 Coat disassembly

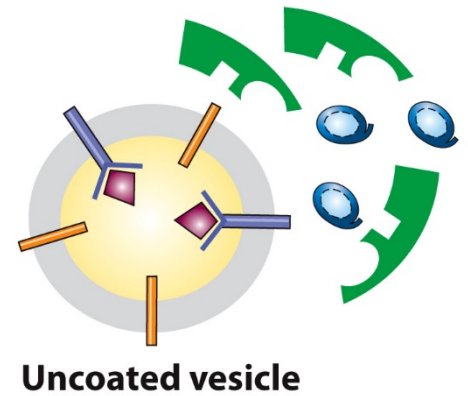
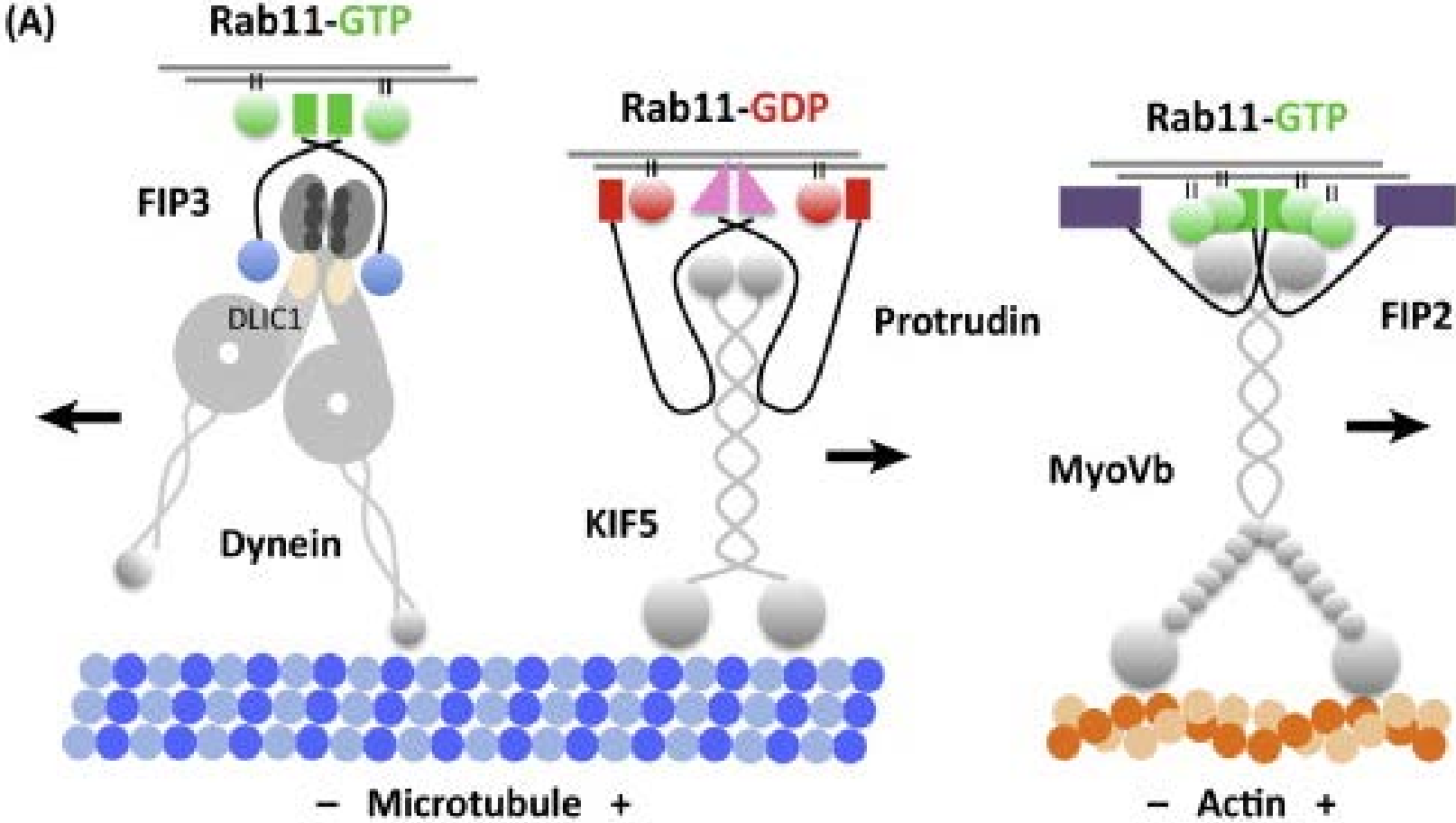
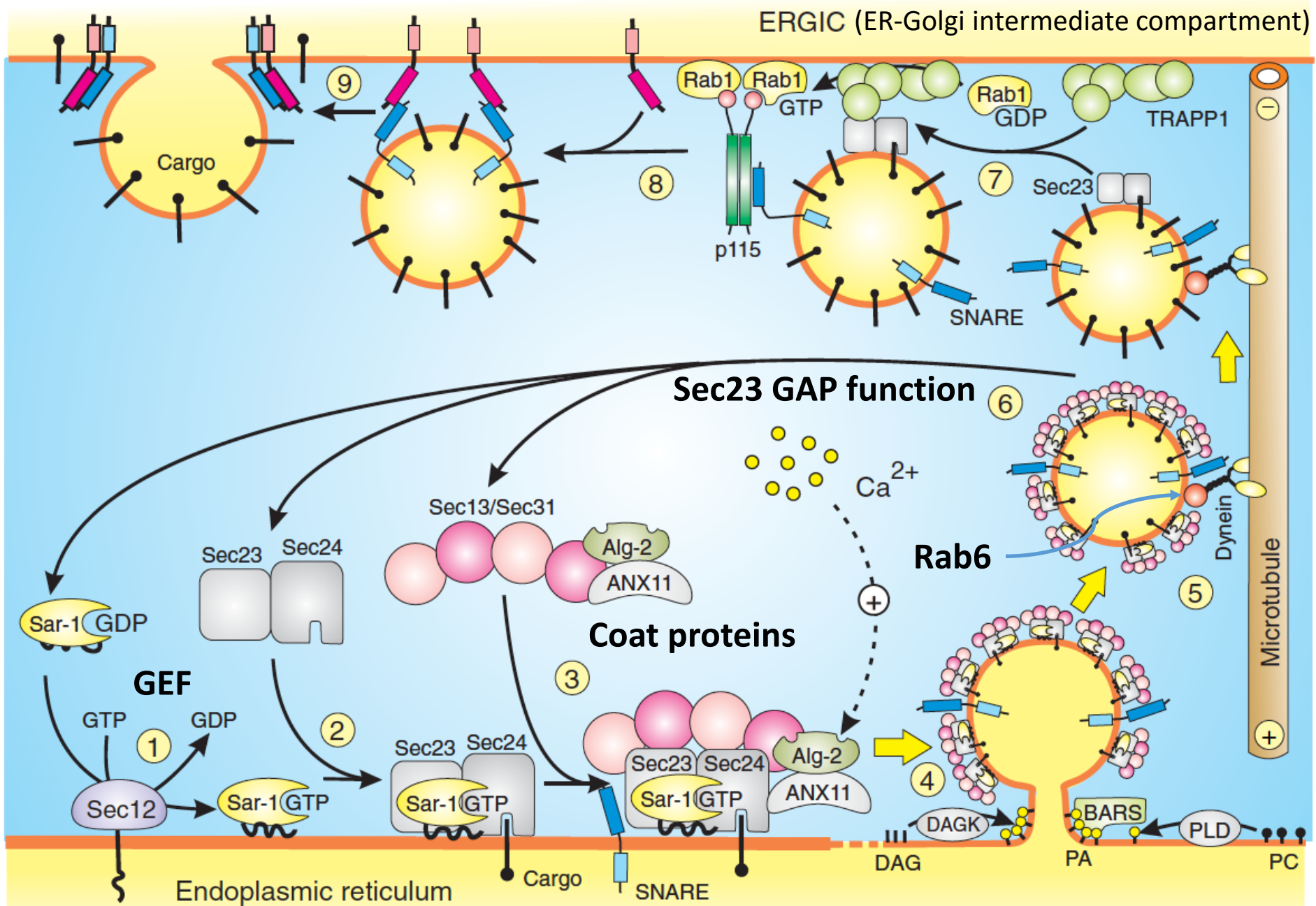


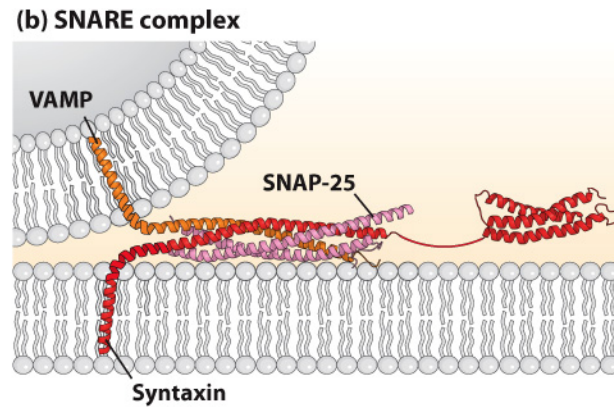
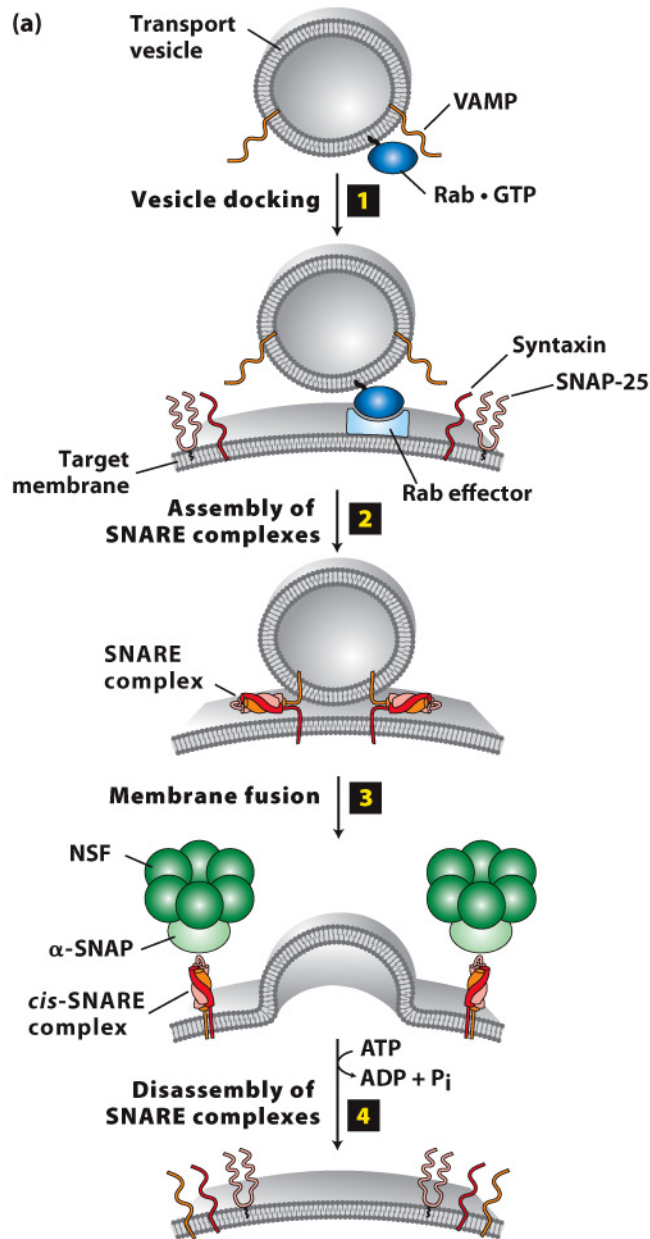
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G-proteins of the Rab series recruit cellular motors and control direction of vesicular transport





G-protein



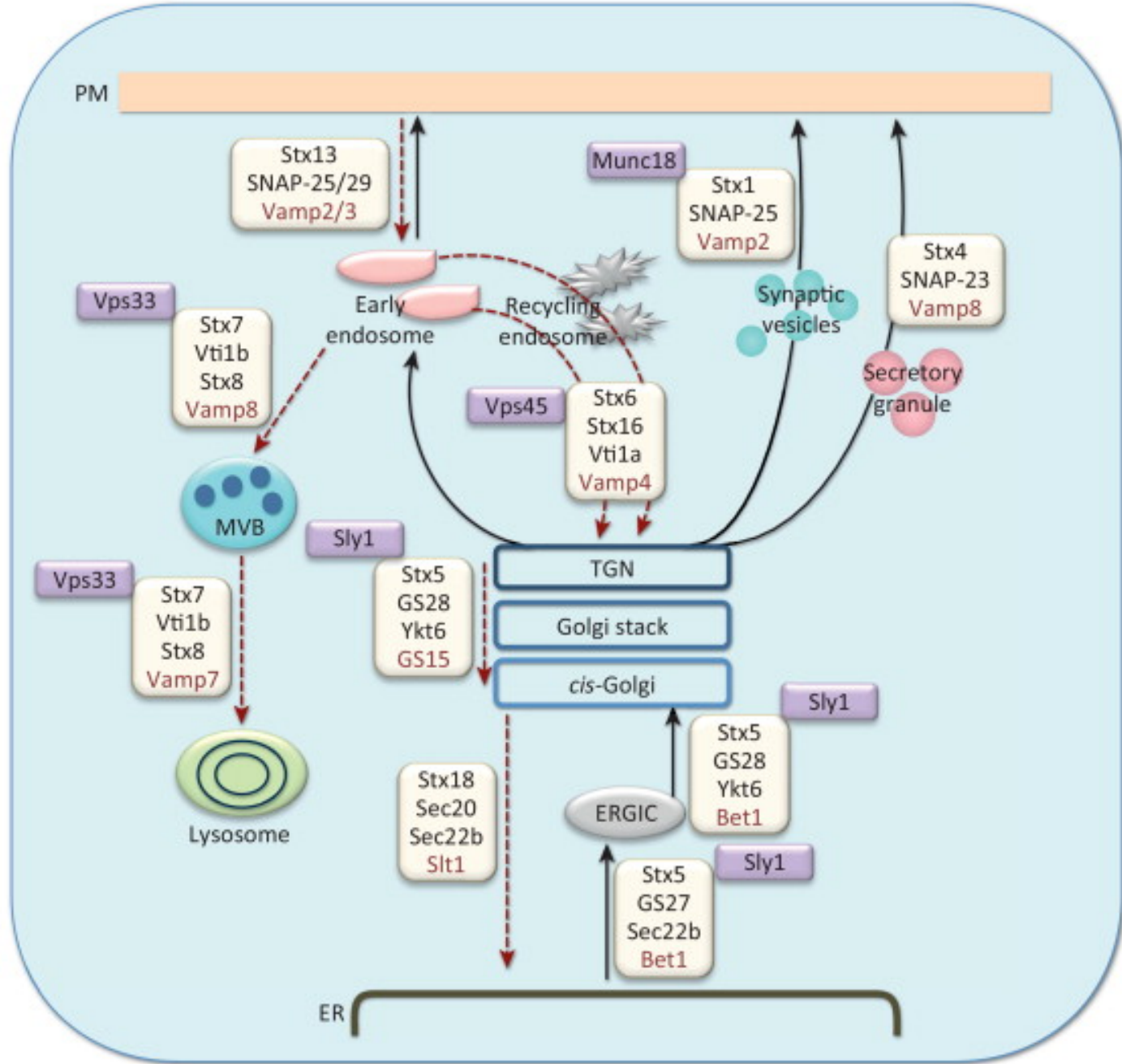
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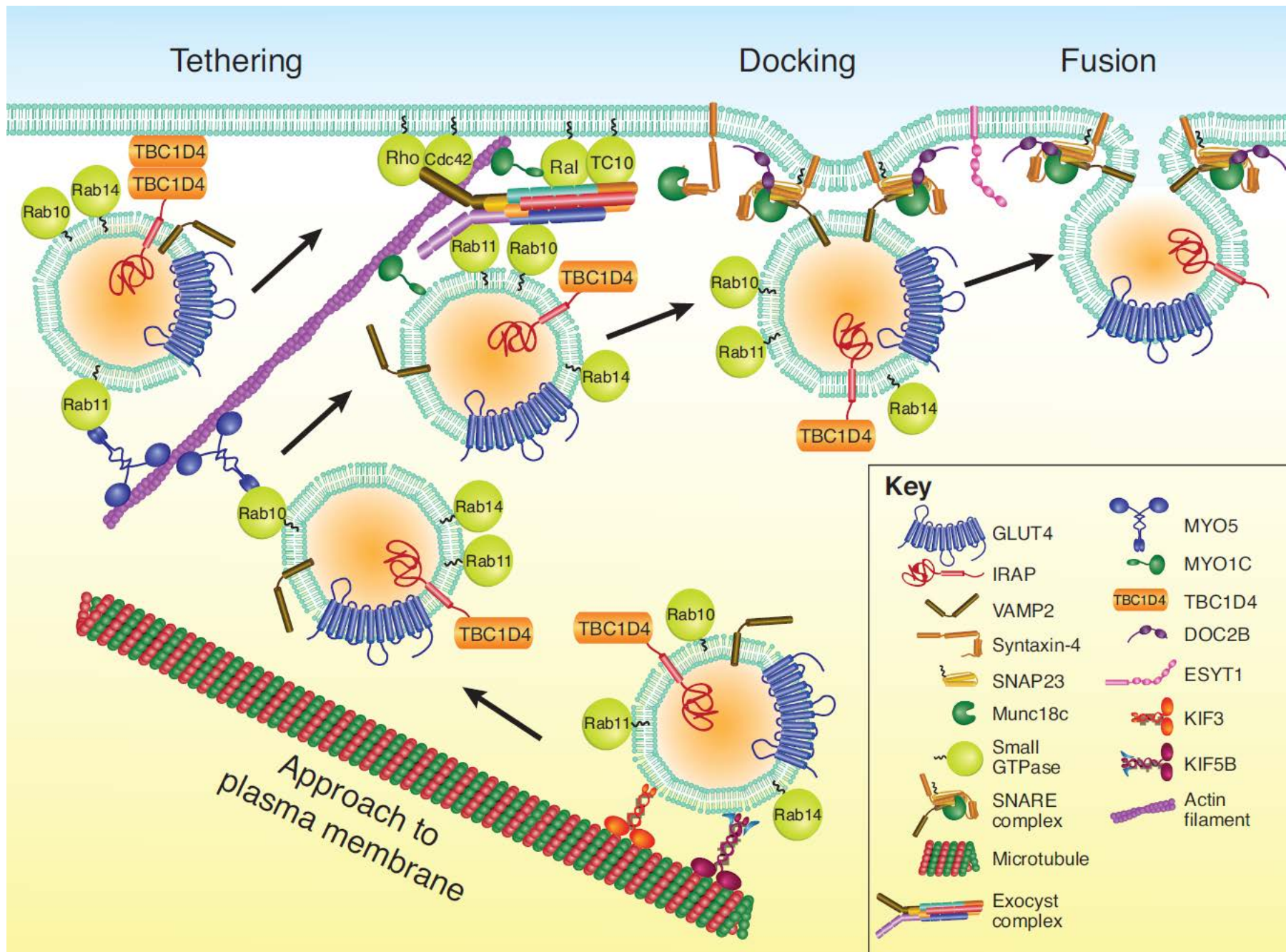
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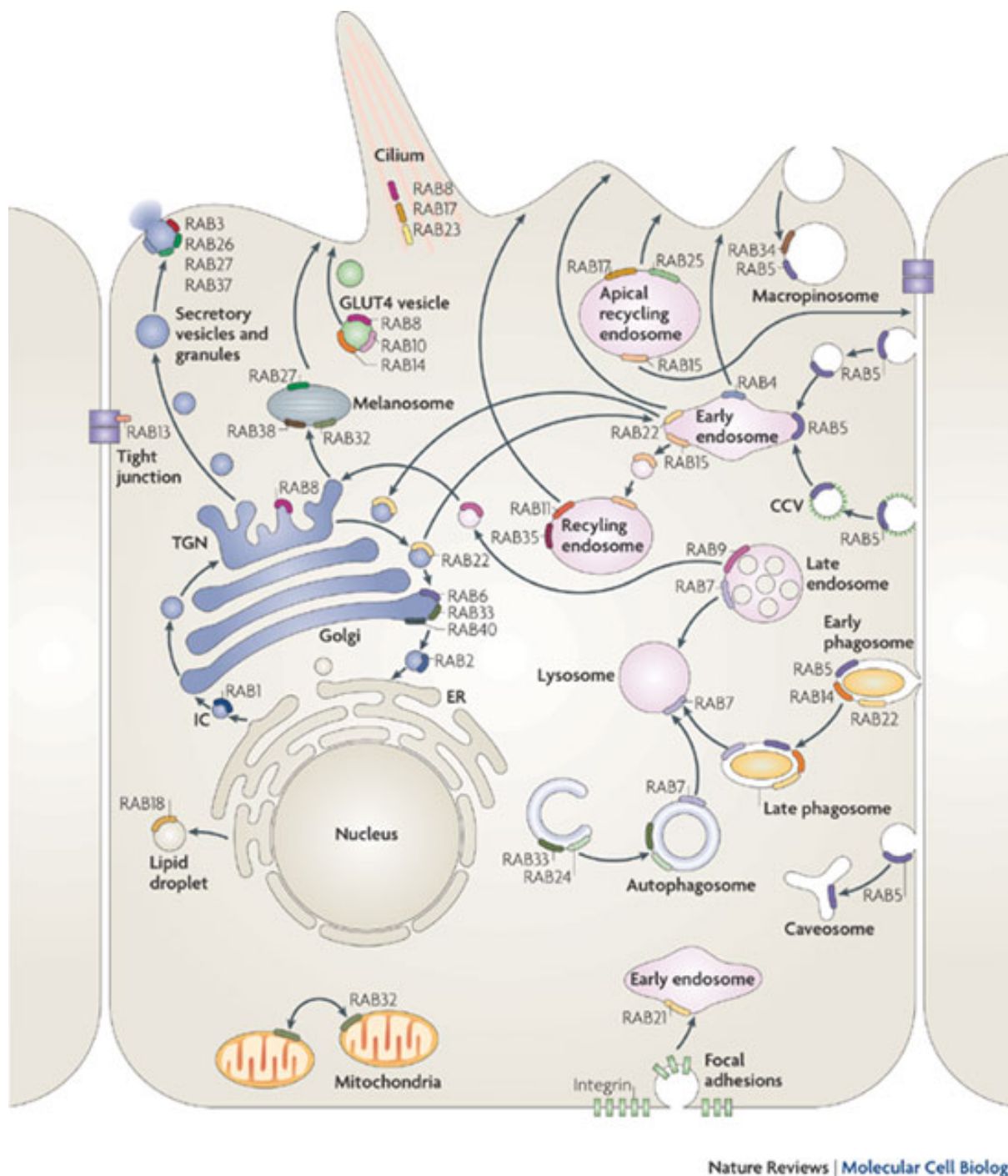
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Summary of COPII vesicle cycle

- G-protein (Sar1) activation by GEF (Sec12)
- Assembly of coat proteins on Sar1-GTP
- Sar1-GTP and coat proteins deform membrane to form vesicle
- Scission of vesicle (phosphatidic acid formation)
- Sec23 GAP → release of outer coat proteins
- GEF (TRAPP1) activates Rab1 on Golgi
- Rab1-GTP and SNARE proteins mediate fusion of COPII vesicle with Golgi

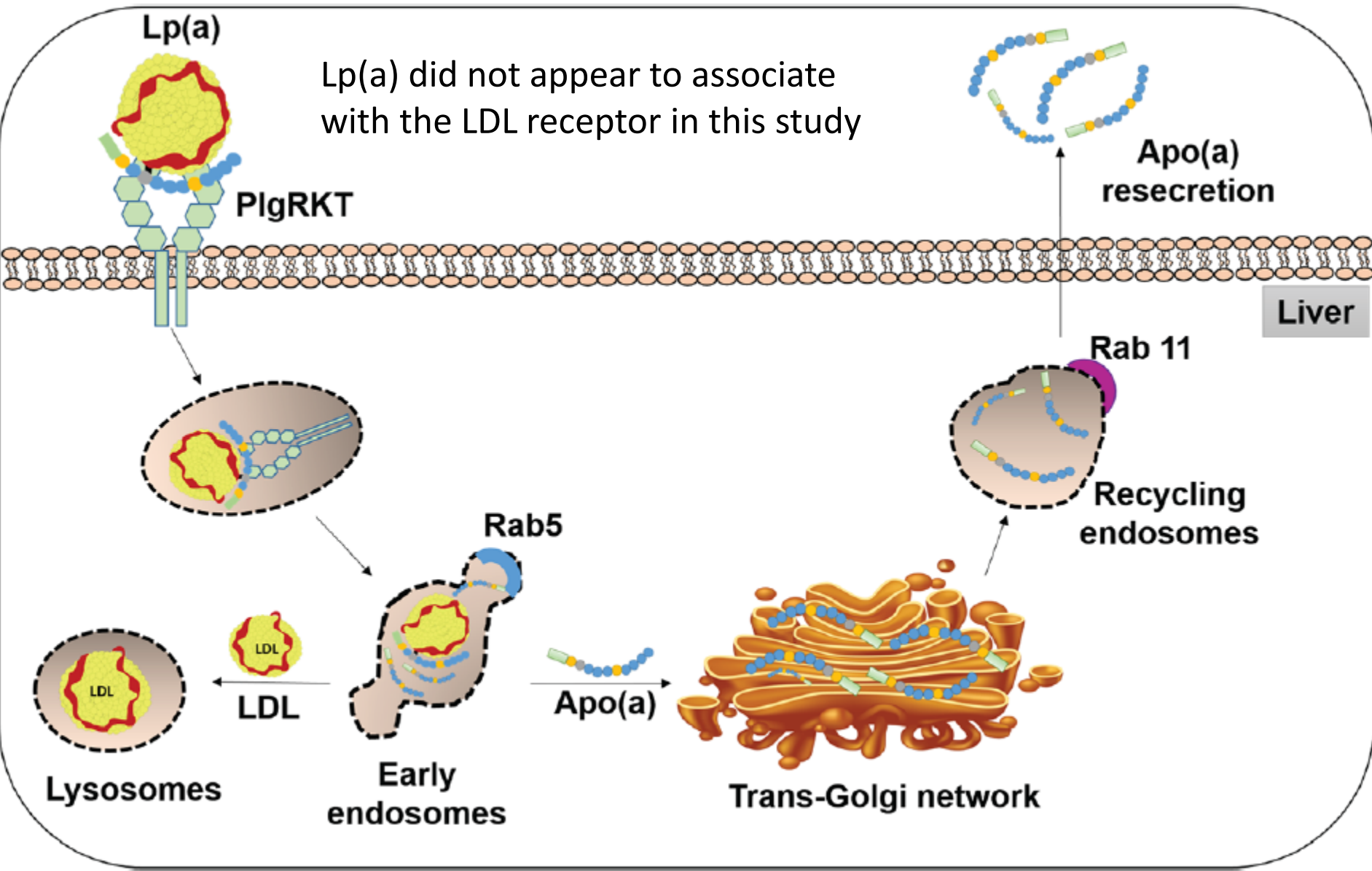




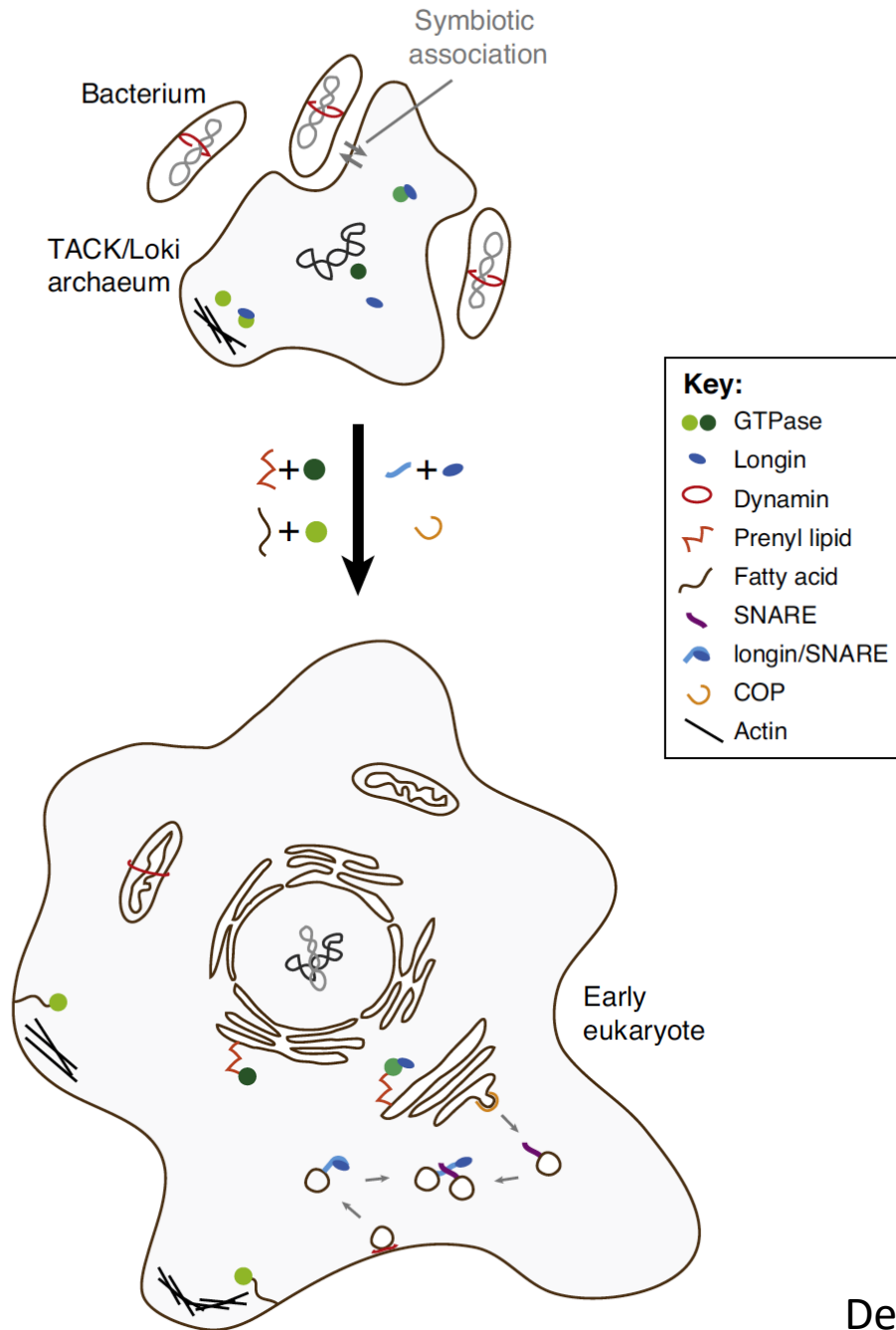


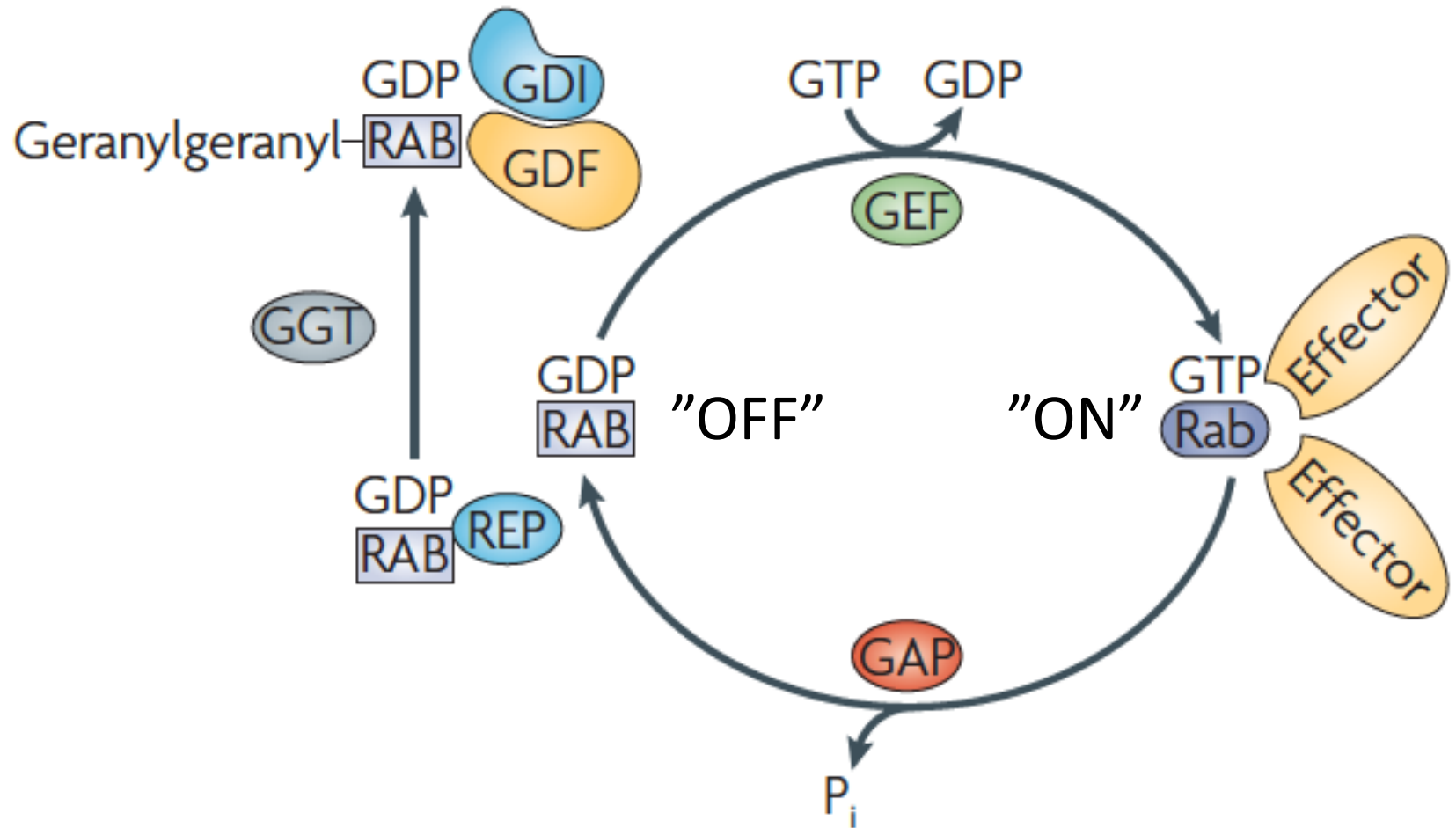
Note: Rab1 prenylation is inhibited by statins. Implicated in statin-induced myopathy.

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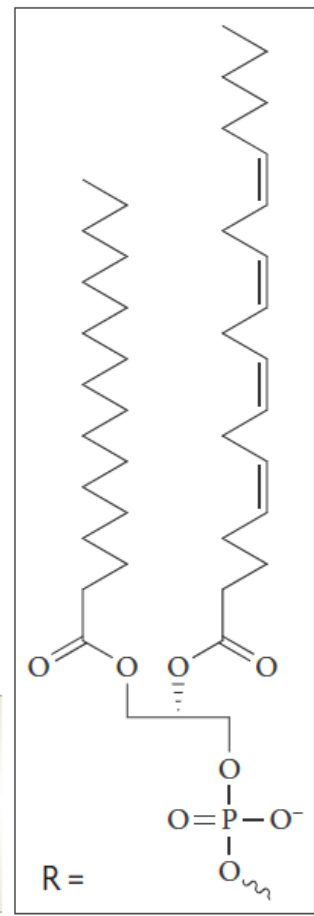
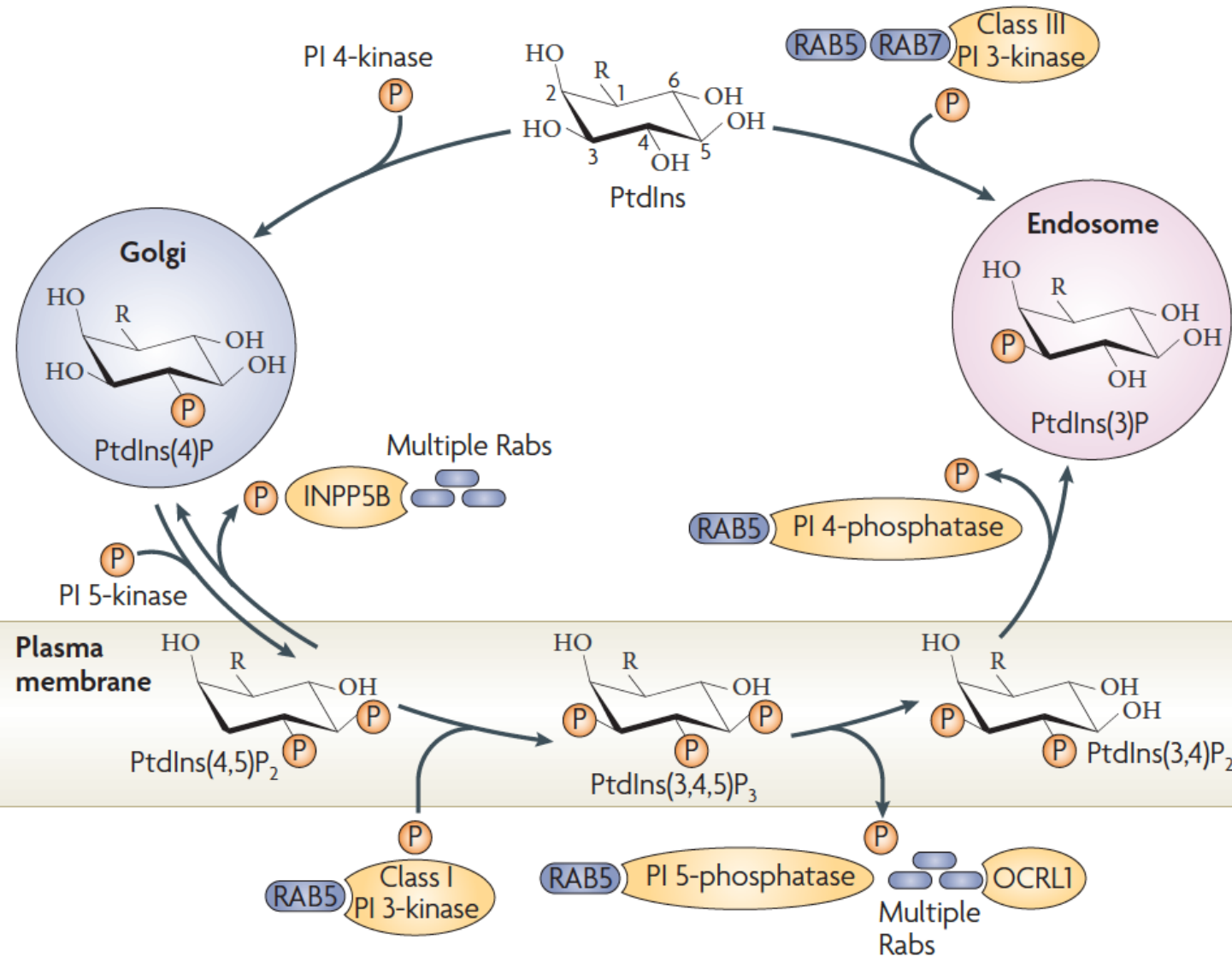


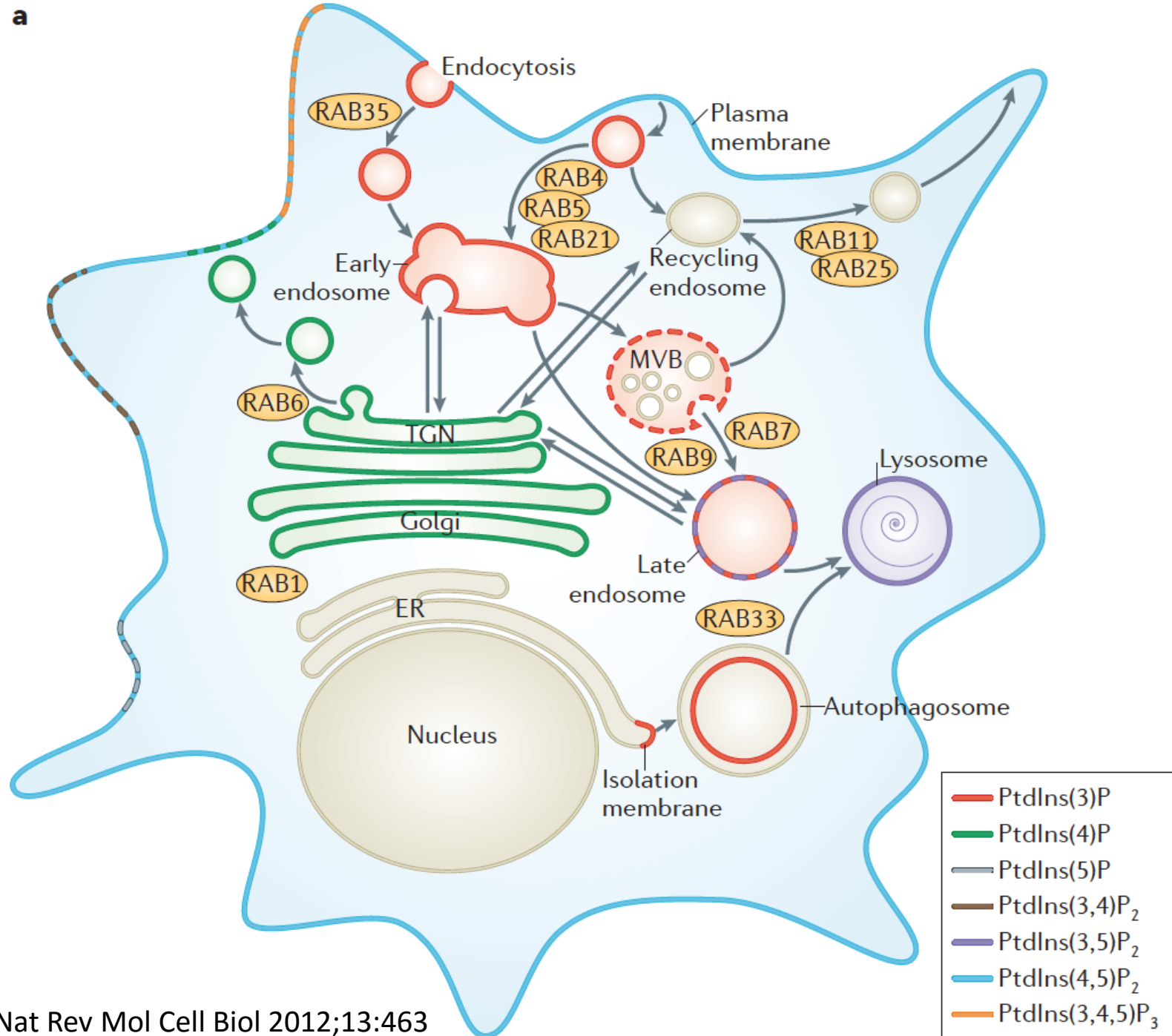
Loki archaeum have GTPases (G-proteins)





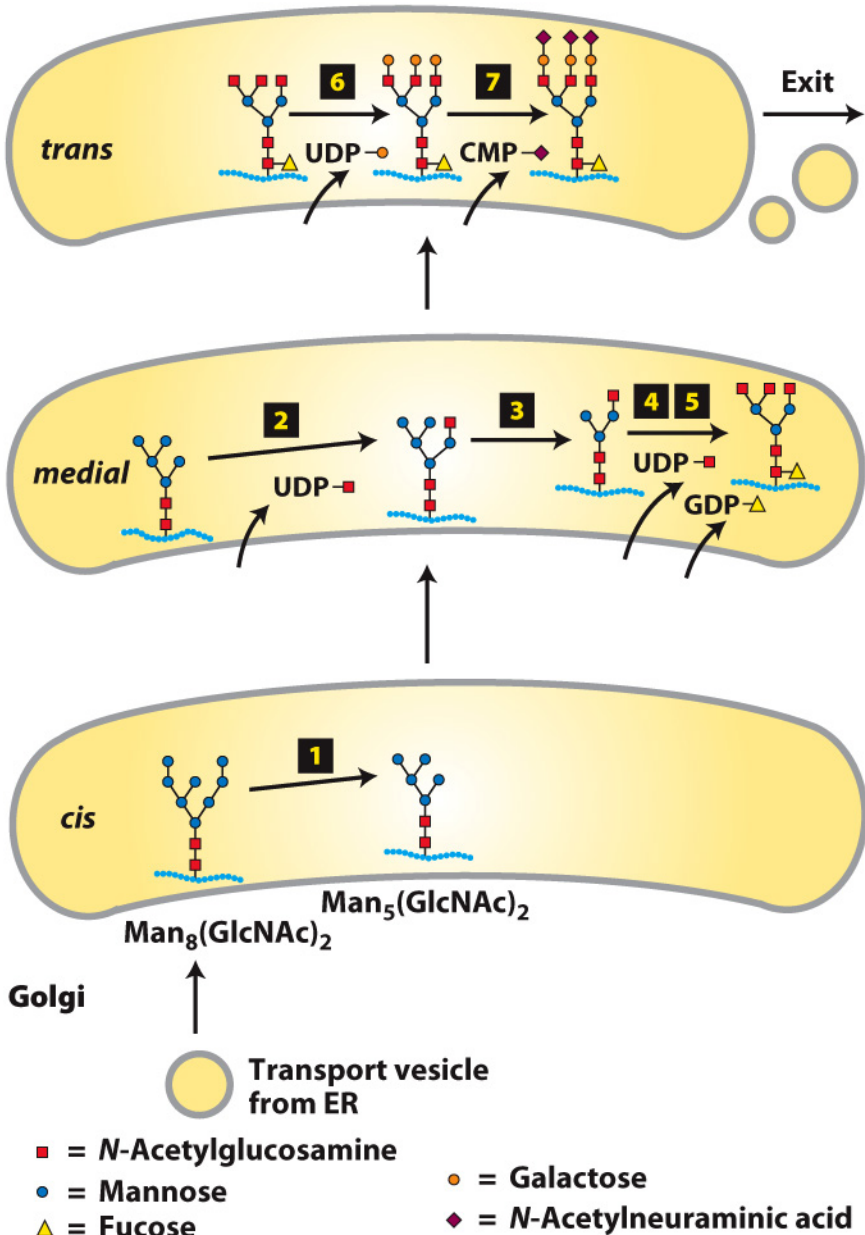
- GEF guanine nucleotide exchange factor (activates G proteins)
- GAP GTPase activating protein (shuts off G proteins)
- GDI GDP dissociation inhibitor (binds and inhibits by displacement from membrane)
- GDF GDI displacement factor (allows activation by movement to membrane)
- REP Rab escort protein
- GGT geranylgeranyl transferase



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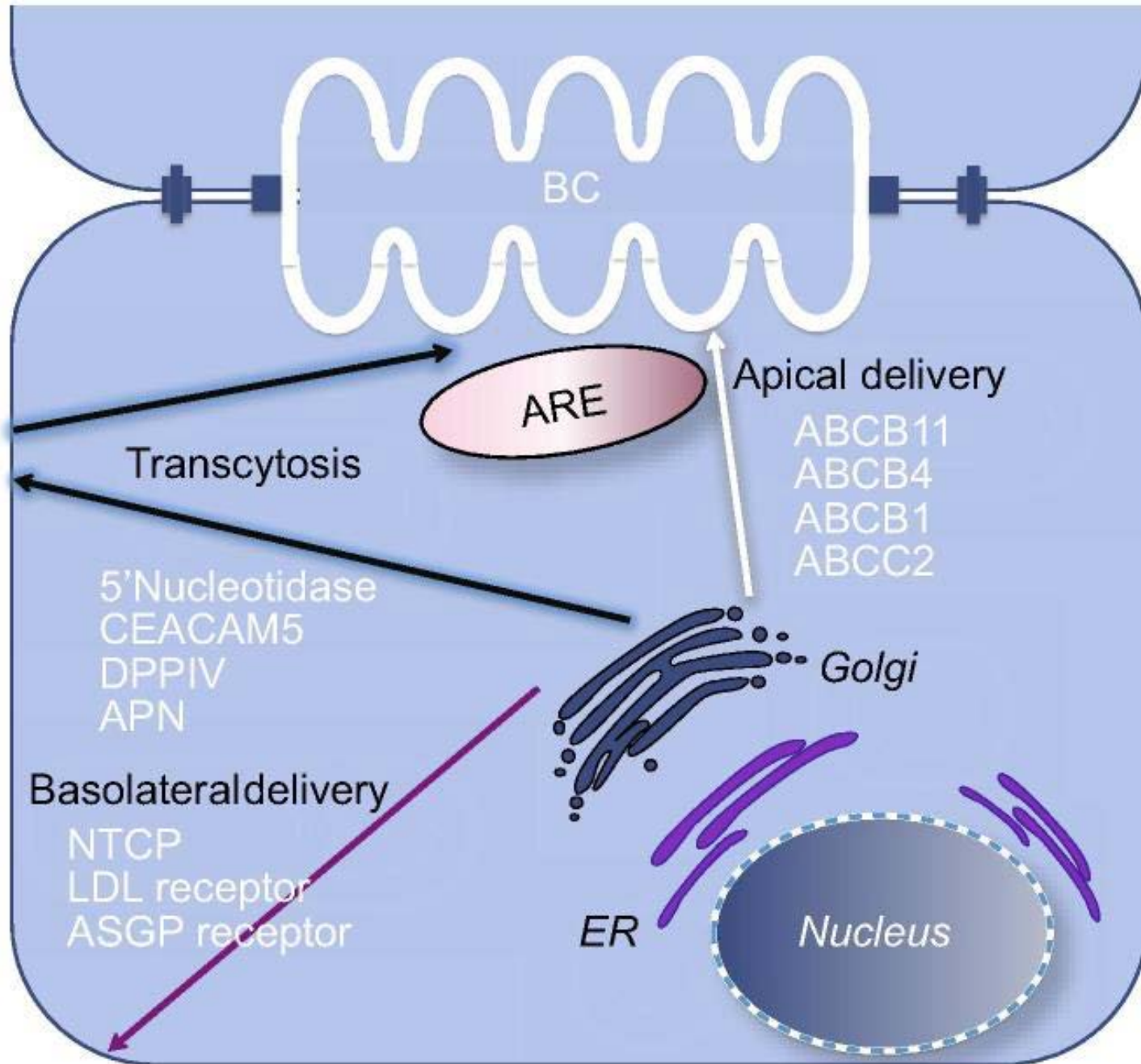
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- G-protein (Rab1b + golgin p115) activate a GEF (GBF1) which activates another G-protein (Arf1)
- Arf1-GTP mediates assembly of coat proteins and cargo proteins
- Arf1-GTP and coat proteins deform membrane to form vesicle. SNARES, ArfGAPs (1/2/3) added.
- Scission of vesicle (phosphatidic acid formation)
- ArfGAPs → release of outer coat proteins
- kinesin-2 a retrograde microtubule motor as is dynein (which is recruited through Rab6)
- SNARE proteins mediate fusion of COPI vesicle with ER



Addition of a mannose-6-P directs trafficking of lysosomal enzymes by specific mannose-6-P receptors.

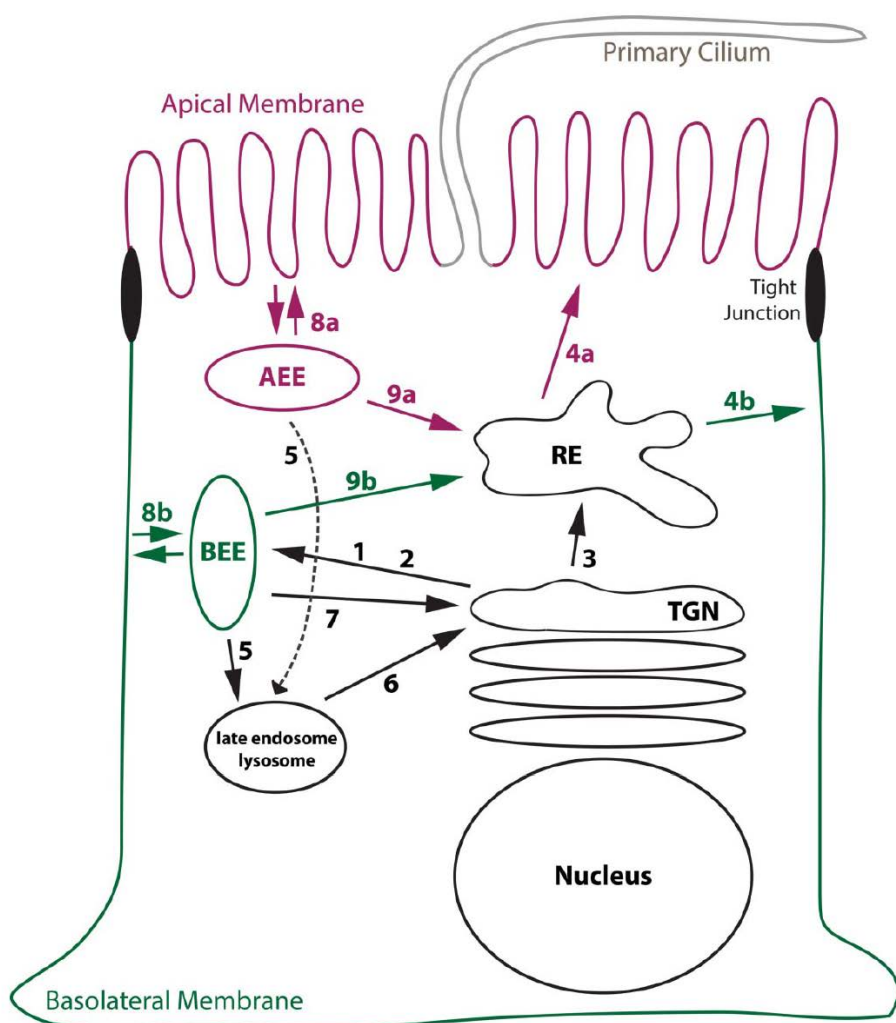
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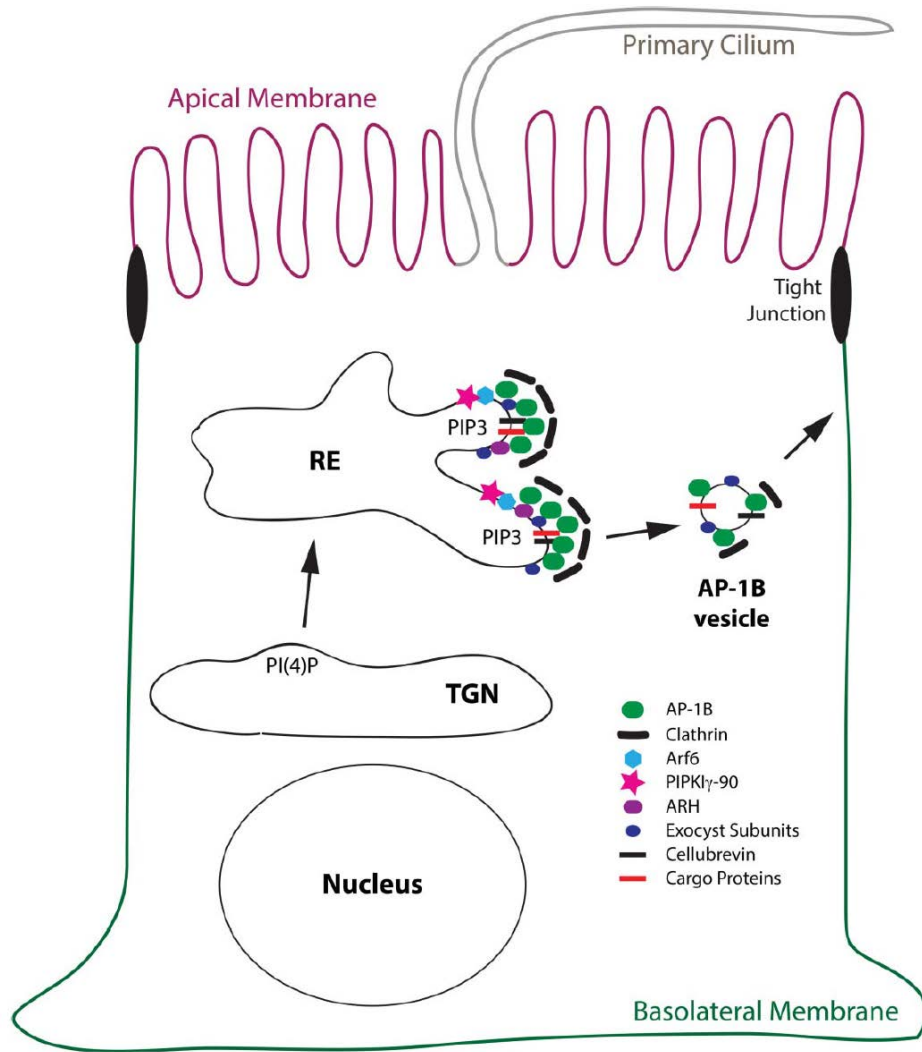
Hepatocytes are polarized *epithelial* cells!

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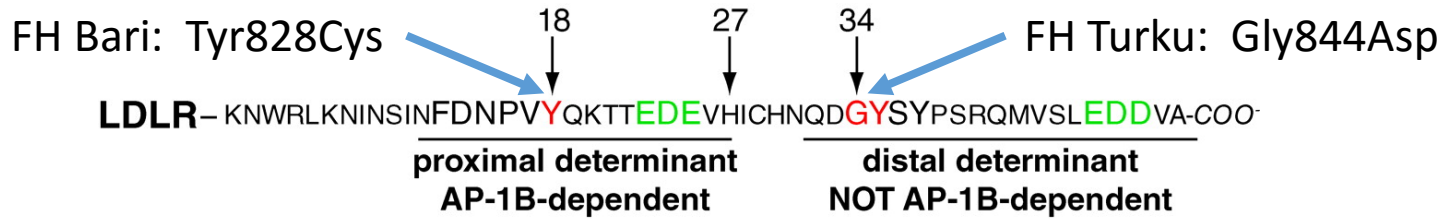
Clathrin, AP-1B, PIP3, Arf6, other factors help maintain cell polarity



AEE – apical early endosomes; BEE – basolateral early endosomes
 RE – recycling endosome; TGN – trans-Golgi network



Class 4 Mutants – Disrupt ARH AP-1B and basolateral sorting or AP-2 endocytosis

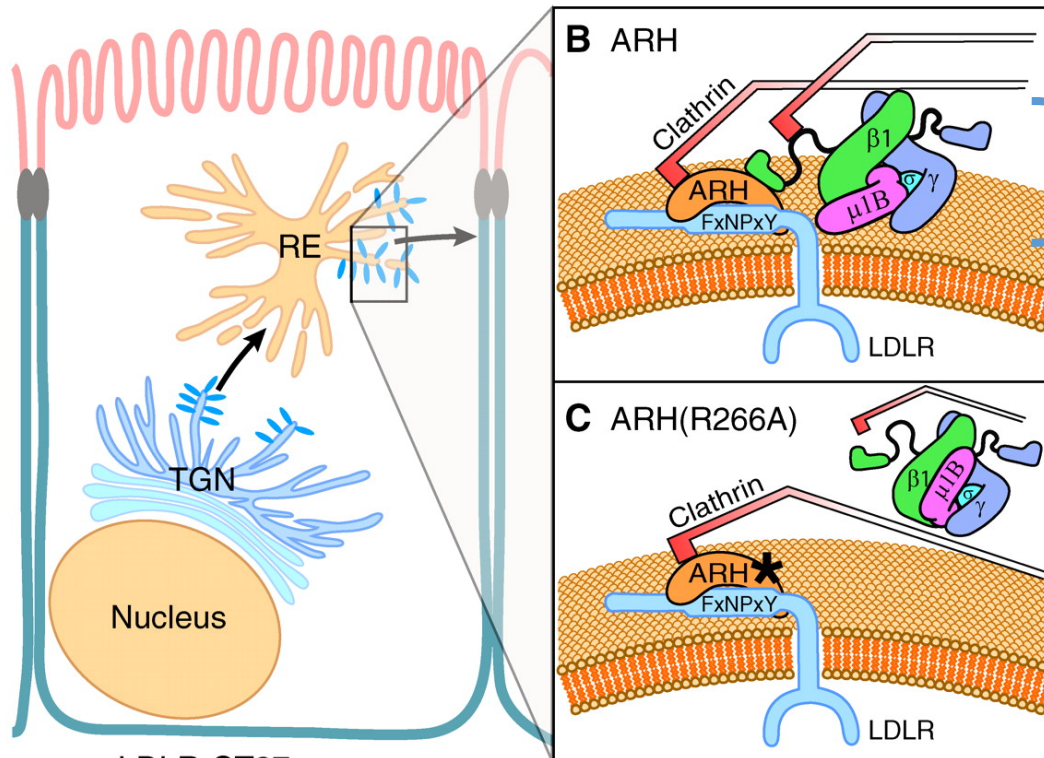


CCP signal CCP = clathrin-coated pit – only basolateral

Sequence NPVY(A sn-Pro-Val-Tyr) totally conserved in LDLR from six species.

RE = recycling endosomes.
RE subdomains maintain apical vs basolateral sorting.

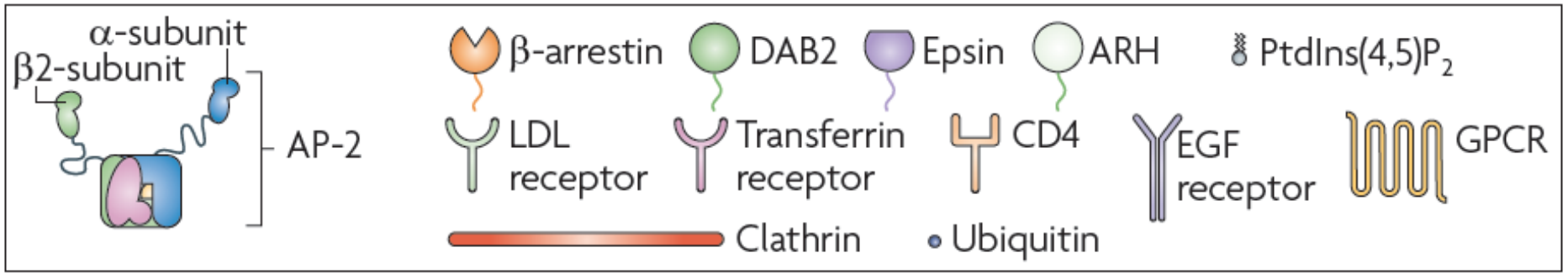
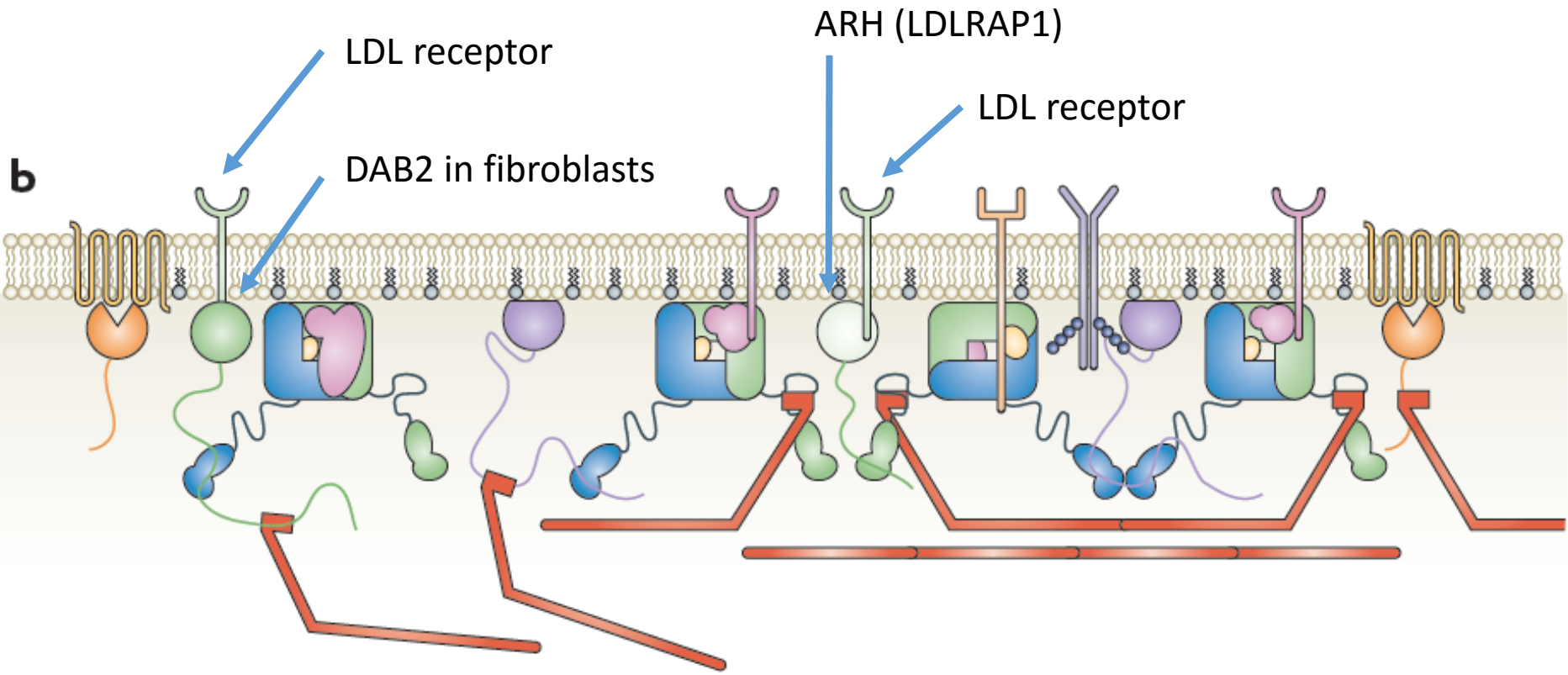
Clathrin is required to maintain cell polarity.
(Deborde, et al. Nature 2008)

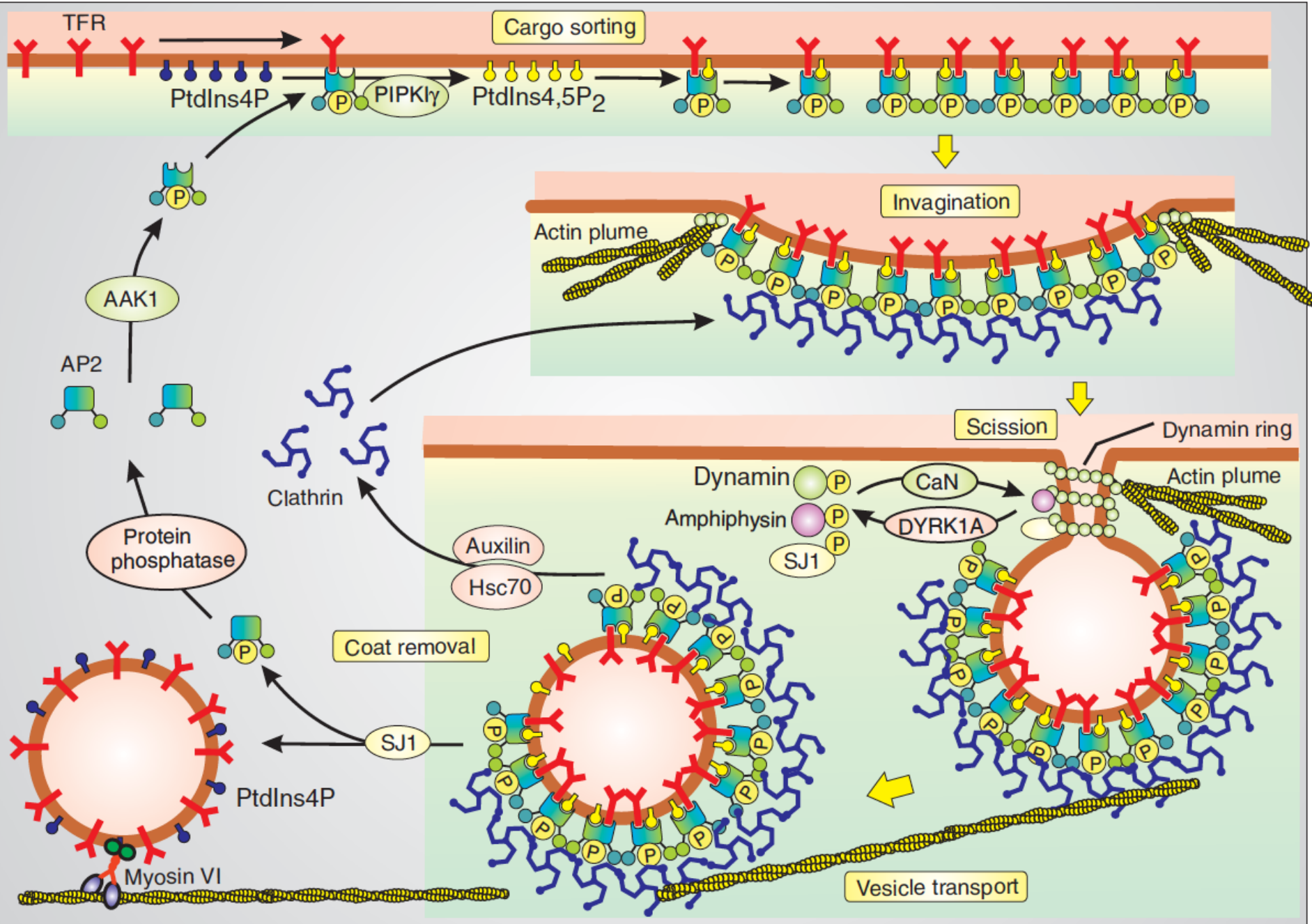


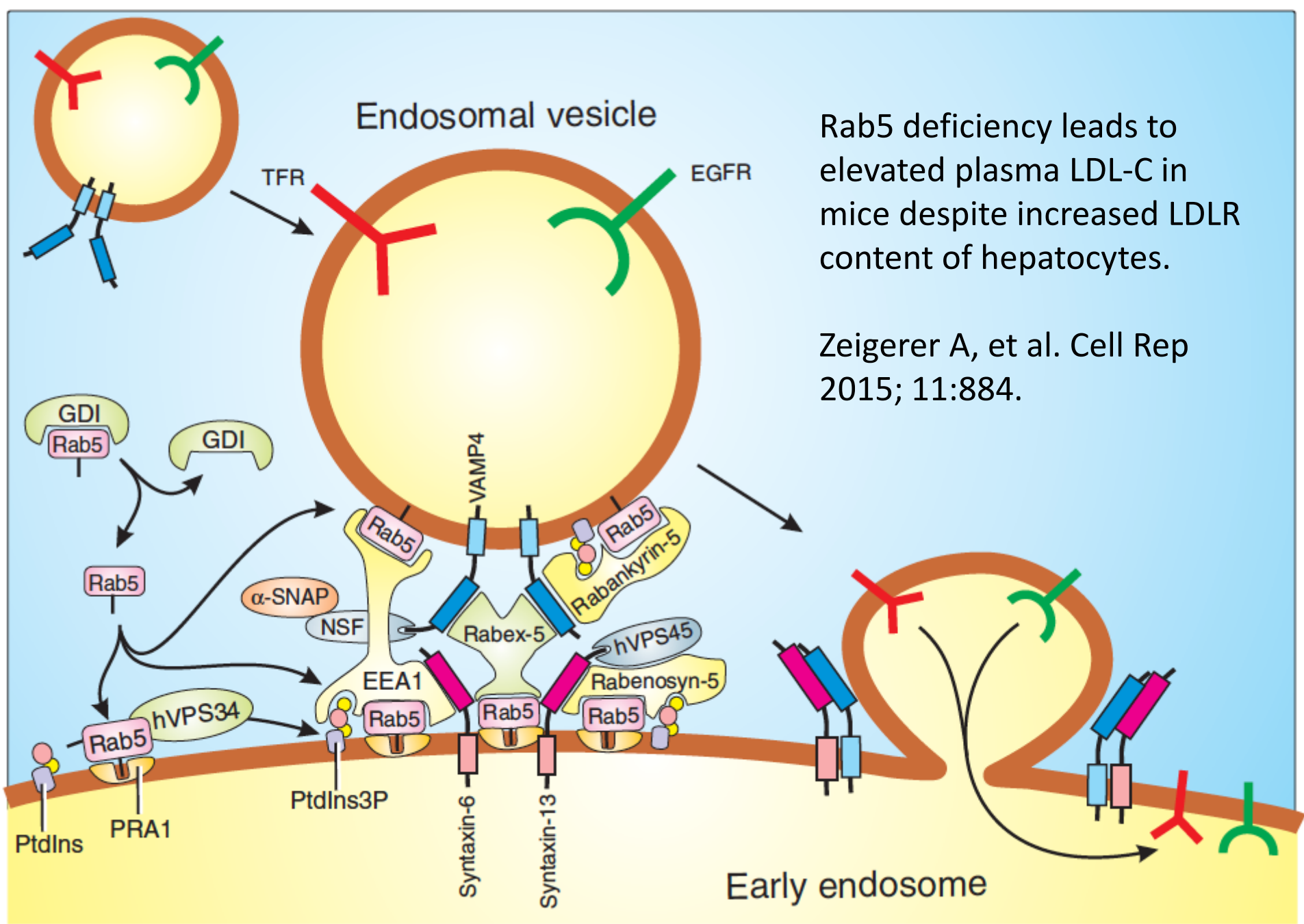
Heterotetrameric AP-1B complex.

AP-1B sorts proteins to basolateral membrane with further regulation by Arf6 (a G-protein) and specific phosphoinositides.

* R266A mutation in ARH

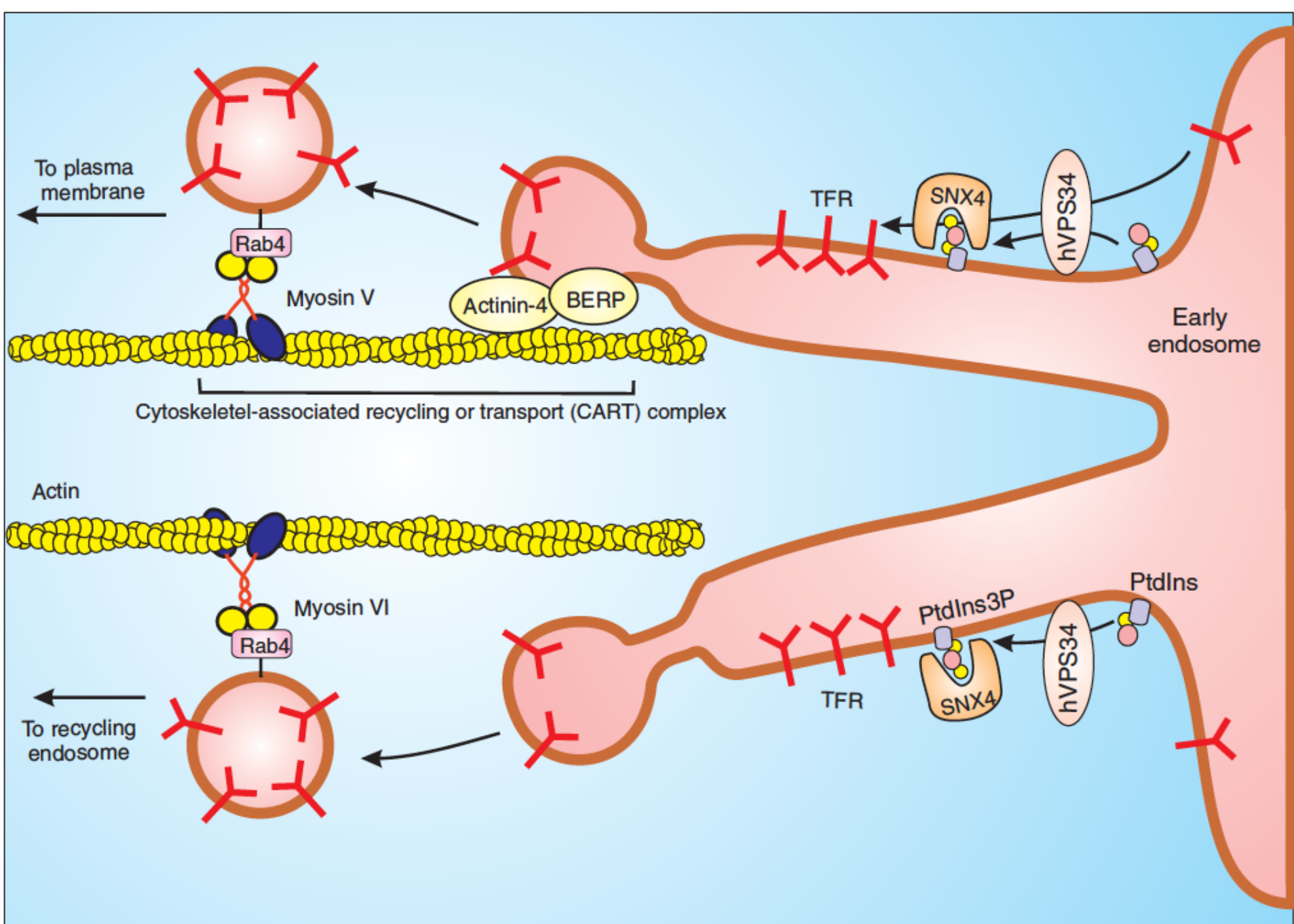


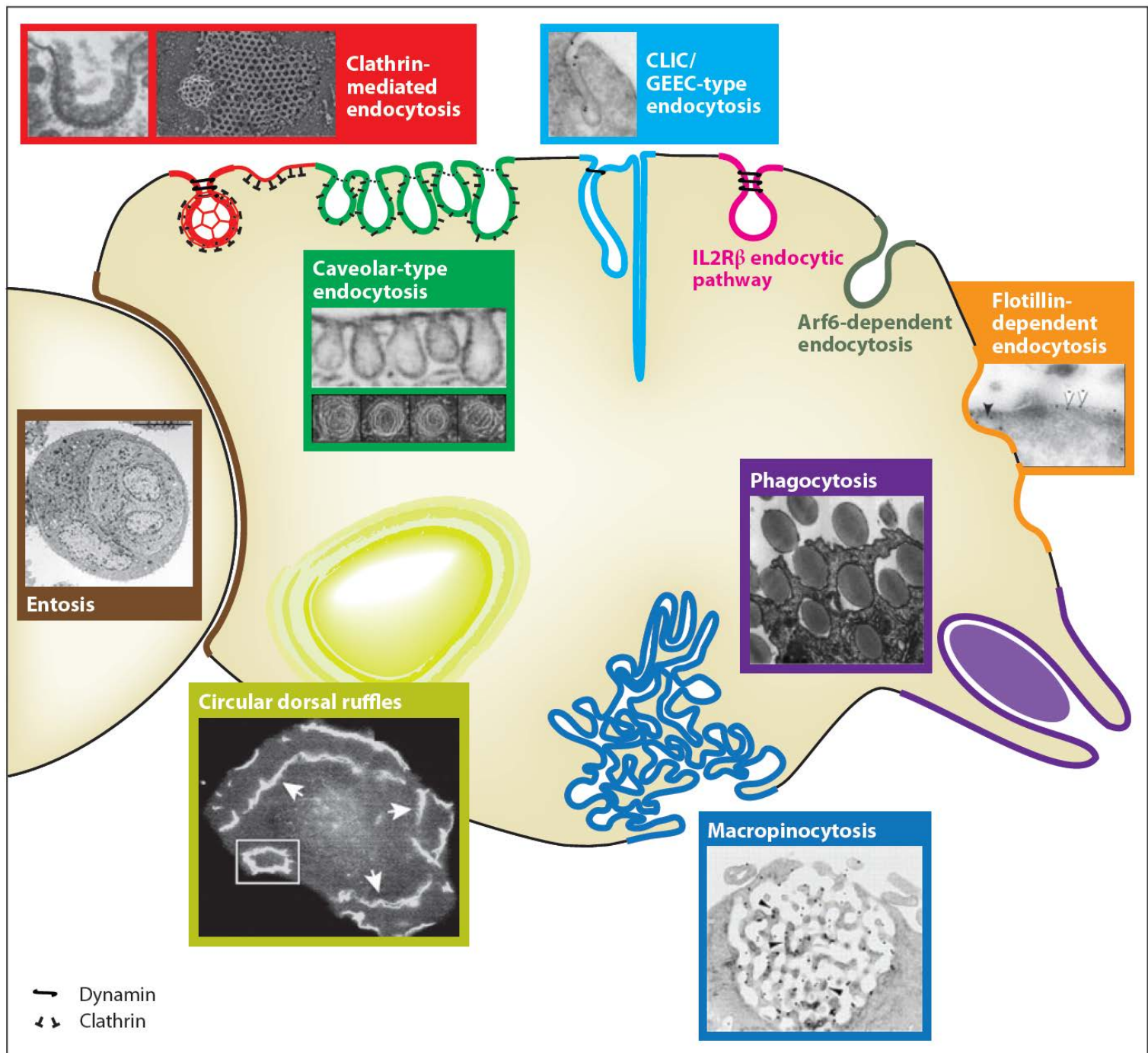




Rab5 deficiency leads to elevated plasma LDL-C in mice despite increased LDLR content of hepatocytes.

Zeigerer A, et al. Cell Rep 2015; 11:884.





We will concern ourselves with just clathrin-mediated endocytosis!

Doherty GJ, McMahon HT. Annu Rev Biochem 2009; 78:31.1

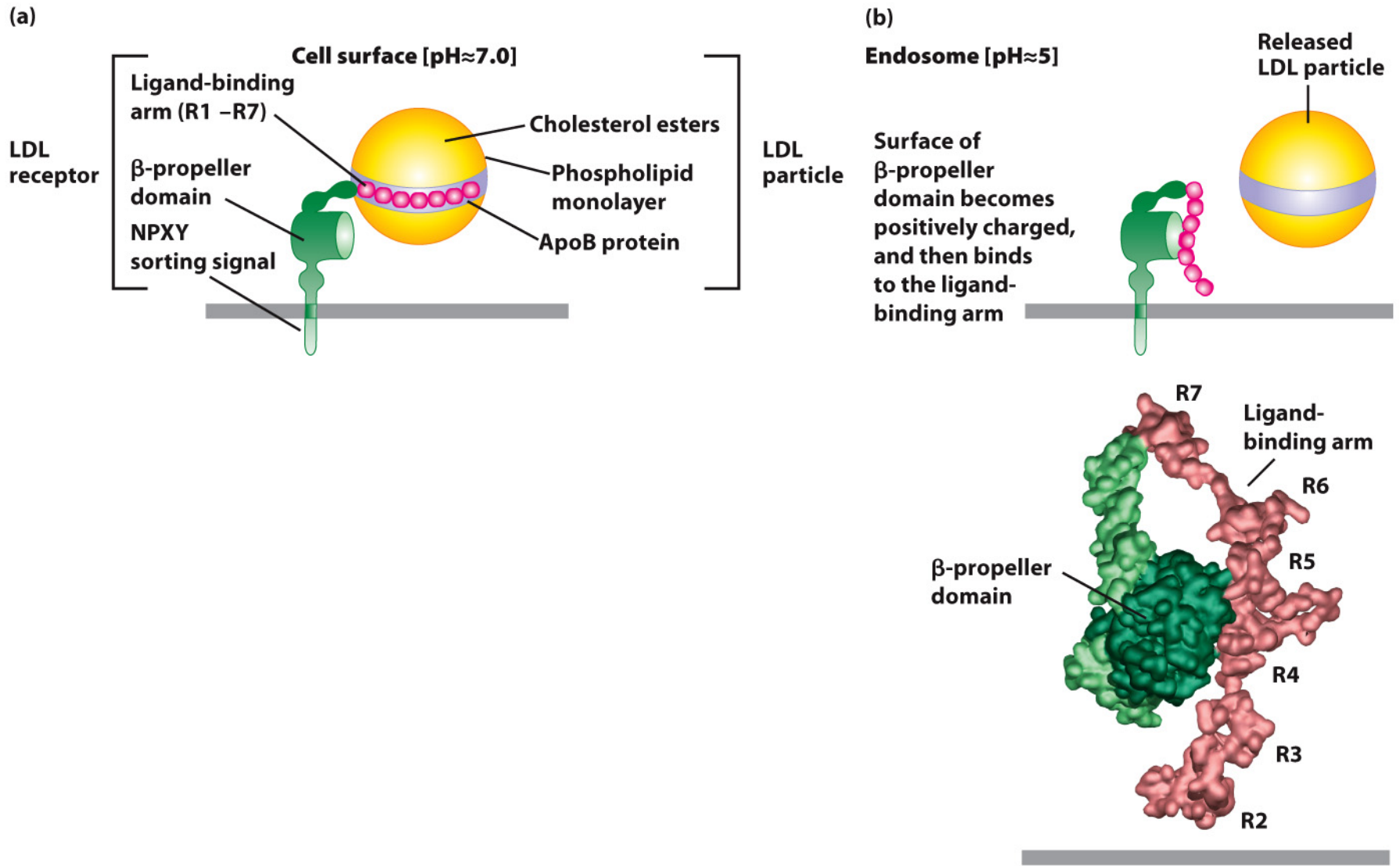


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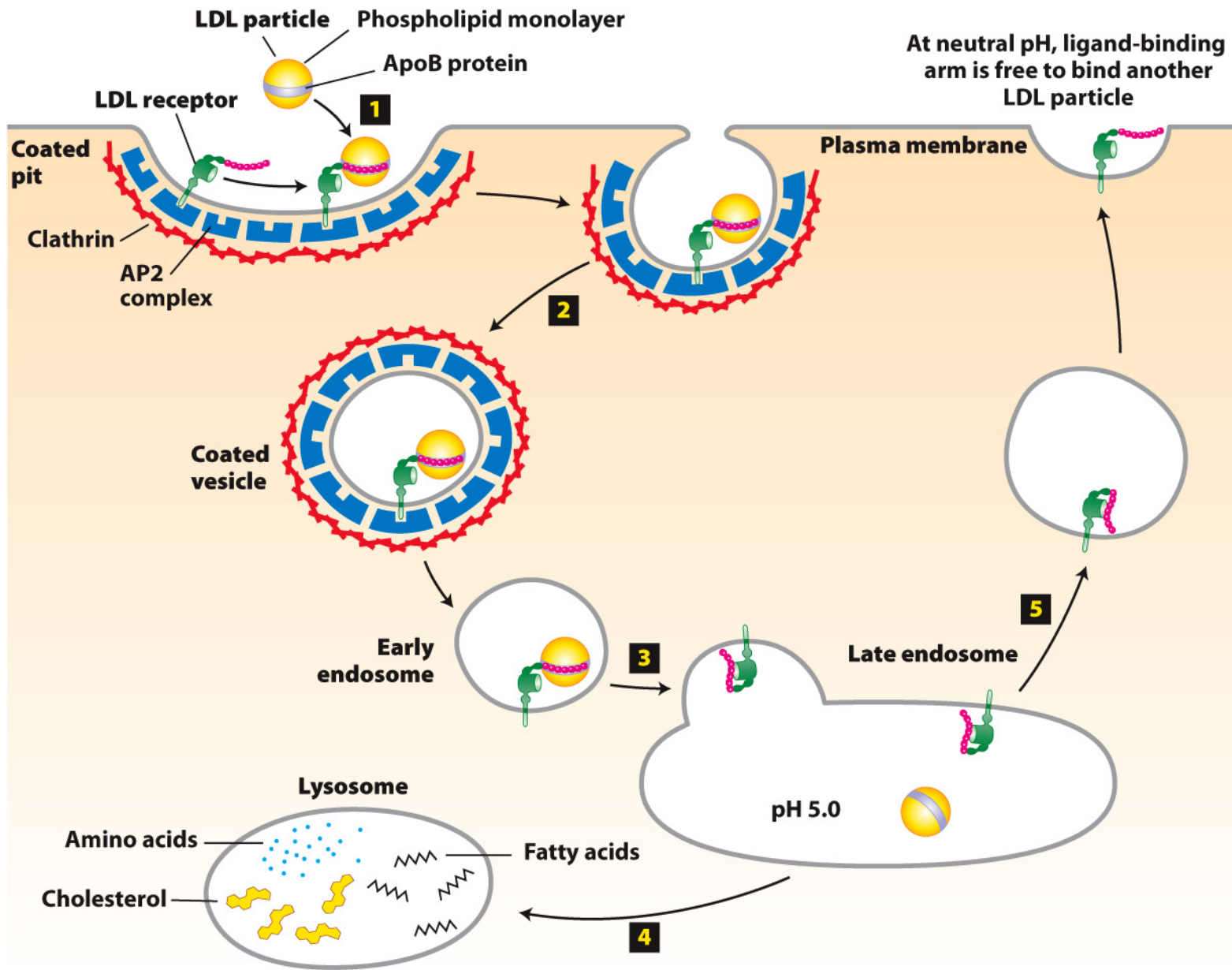
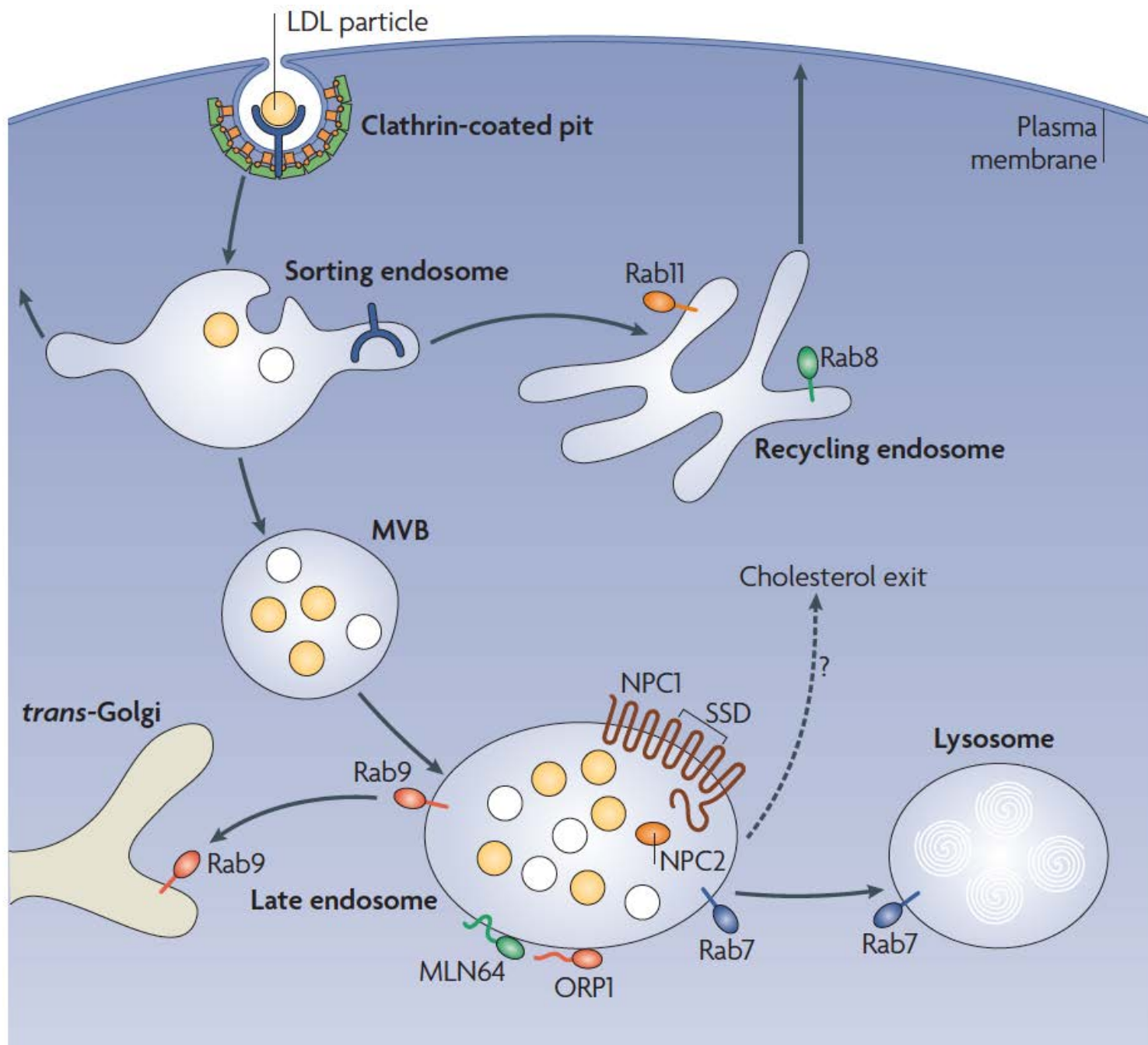
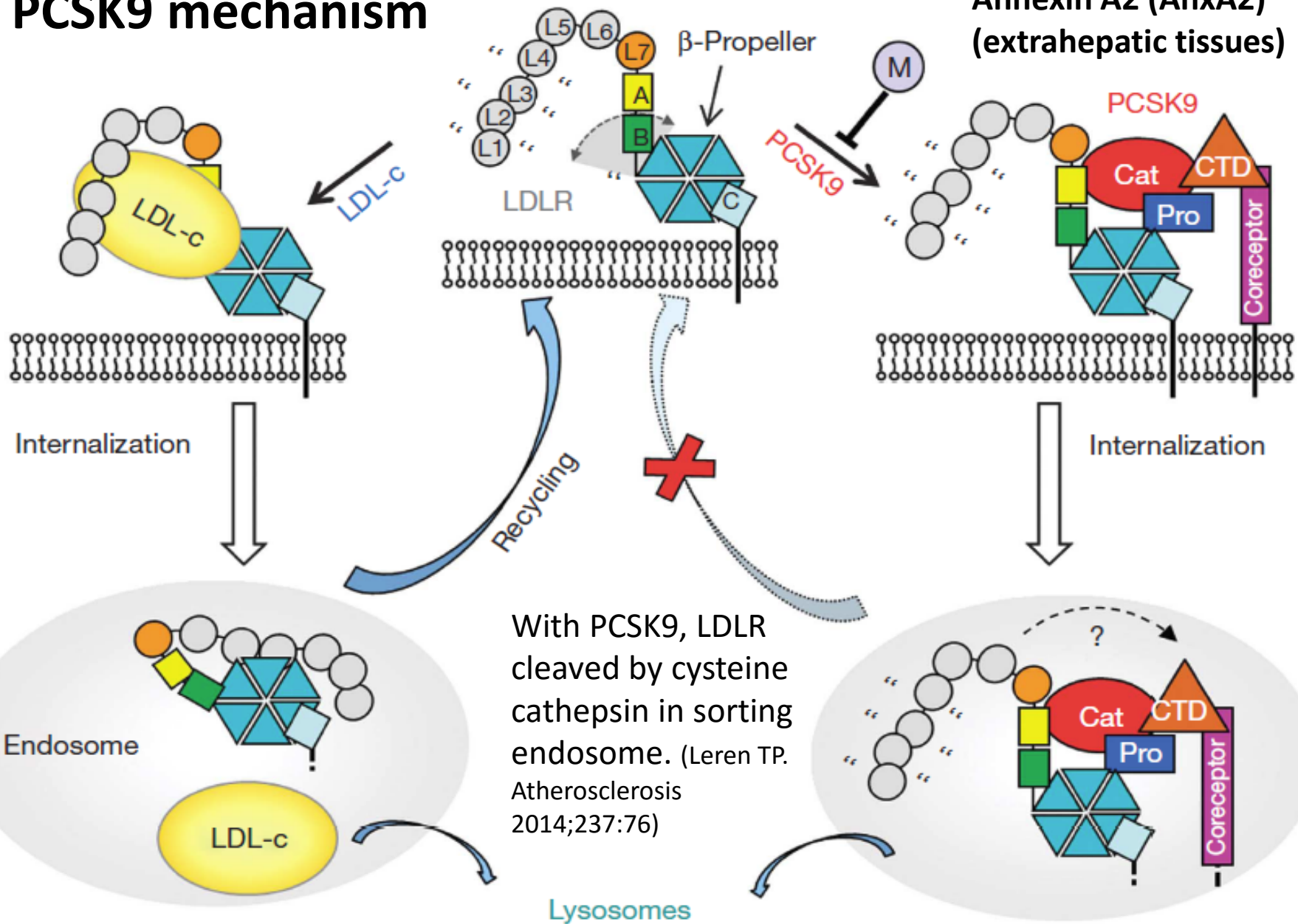
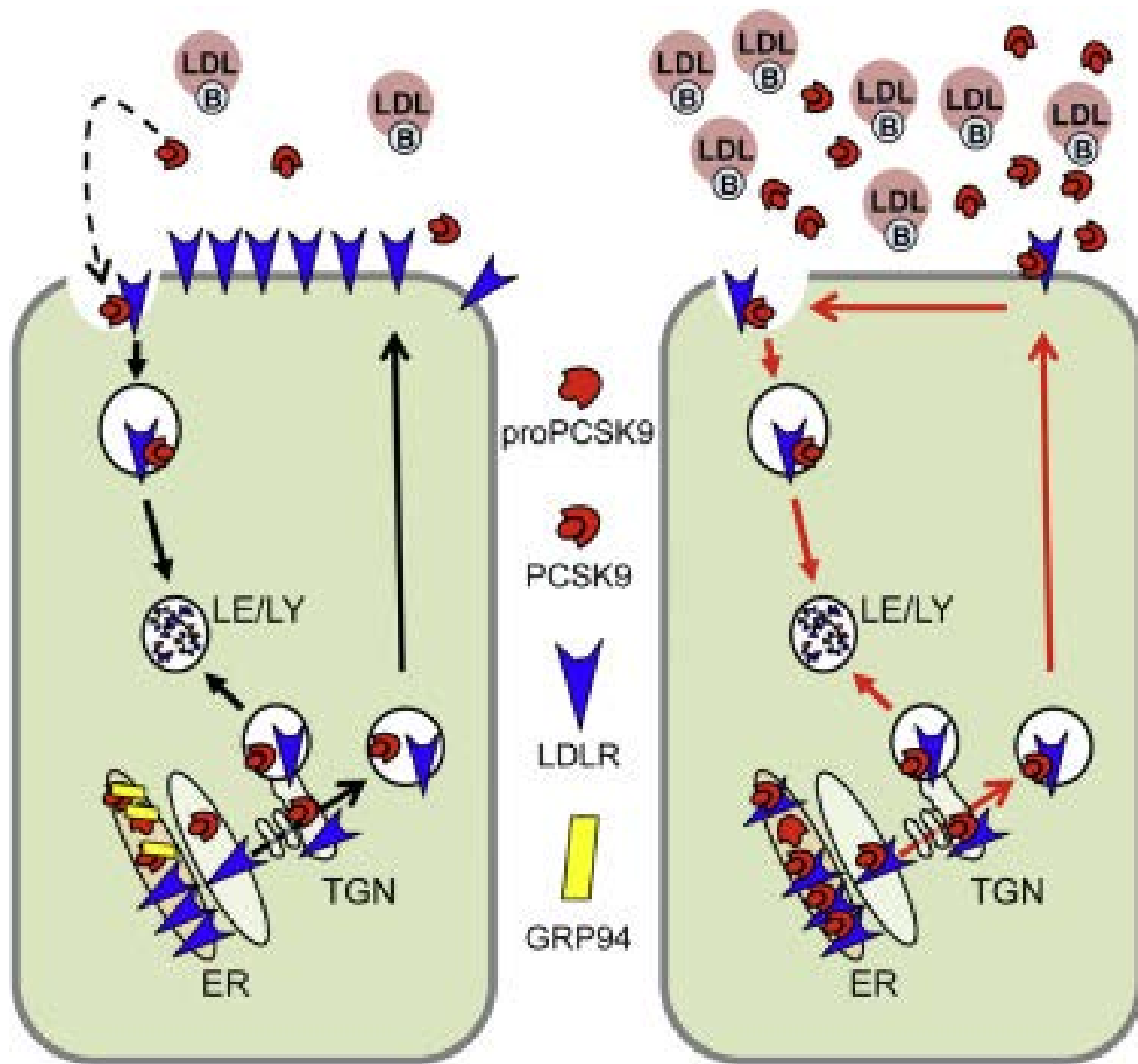


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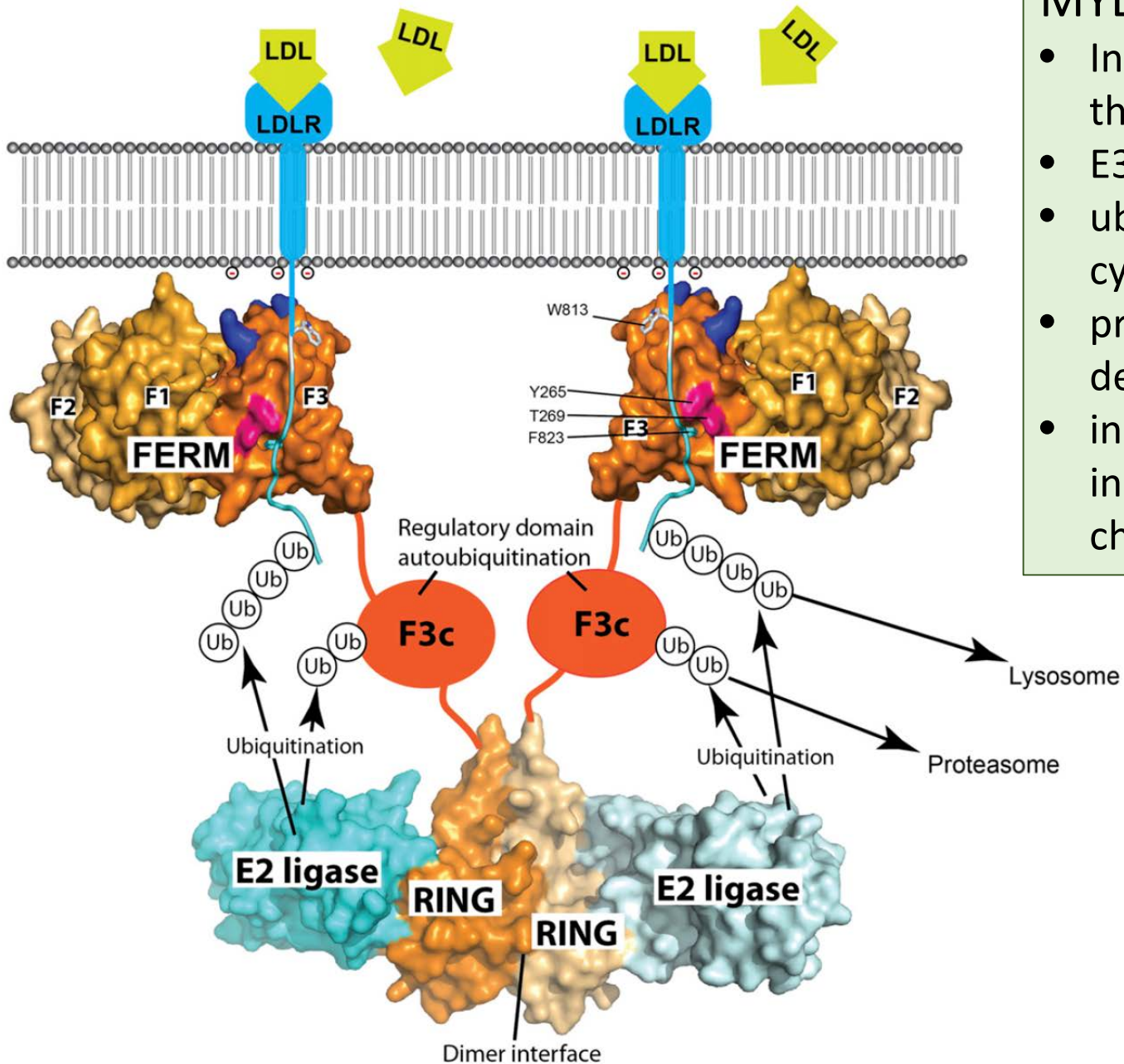
PCSK9 mechanism





+ GRP94
(ER chaperone)

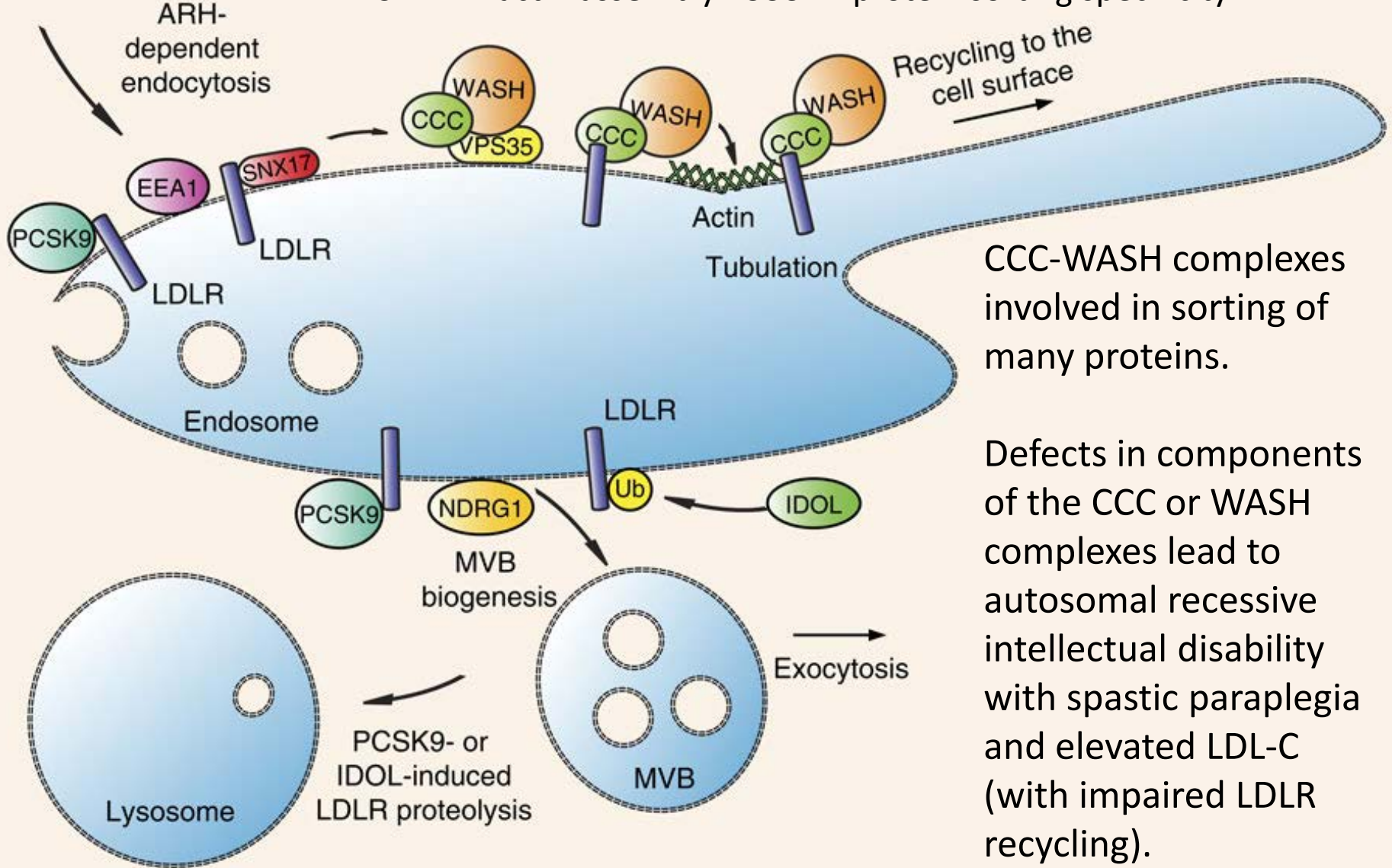
- GRP94



MYLIP/IDOL

- Inducible degrader of the LDLR
- E3 ubiquitin ligase
- ubiquitinates LDLR on cytoplasmic domain
- promote lysosomal degradation
- induced by with increased cellular cholesterol levels

WASH → F-actin assembly CCC → protein sorting specificity



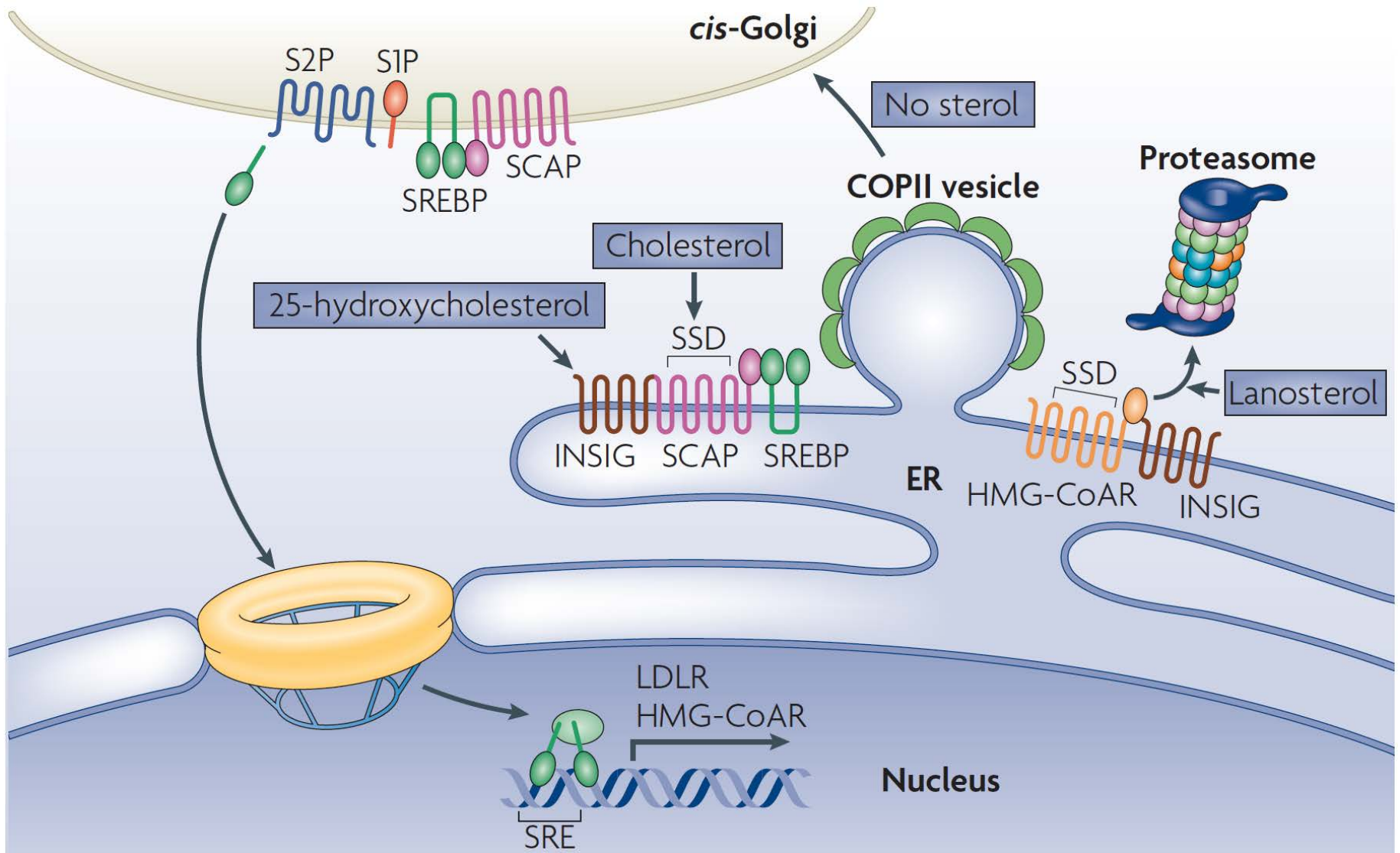
CCC-WASH complexes involved in sorting of many proteins.

Defects in components of the CCC or WASH complexes lead to autosomal recessive intellectual disability with spastic paraplegia and elevated LDL-C (with impaired LDLR recycling).

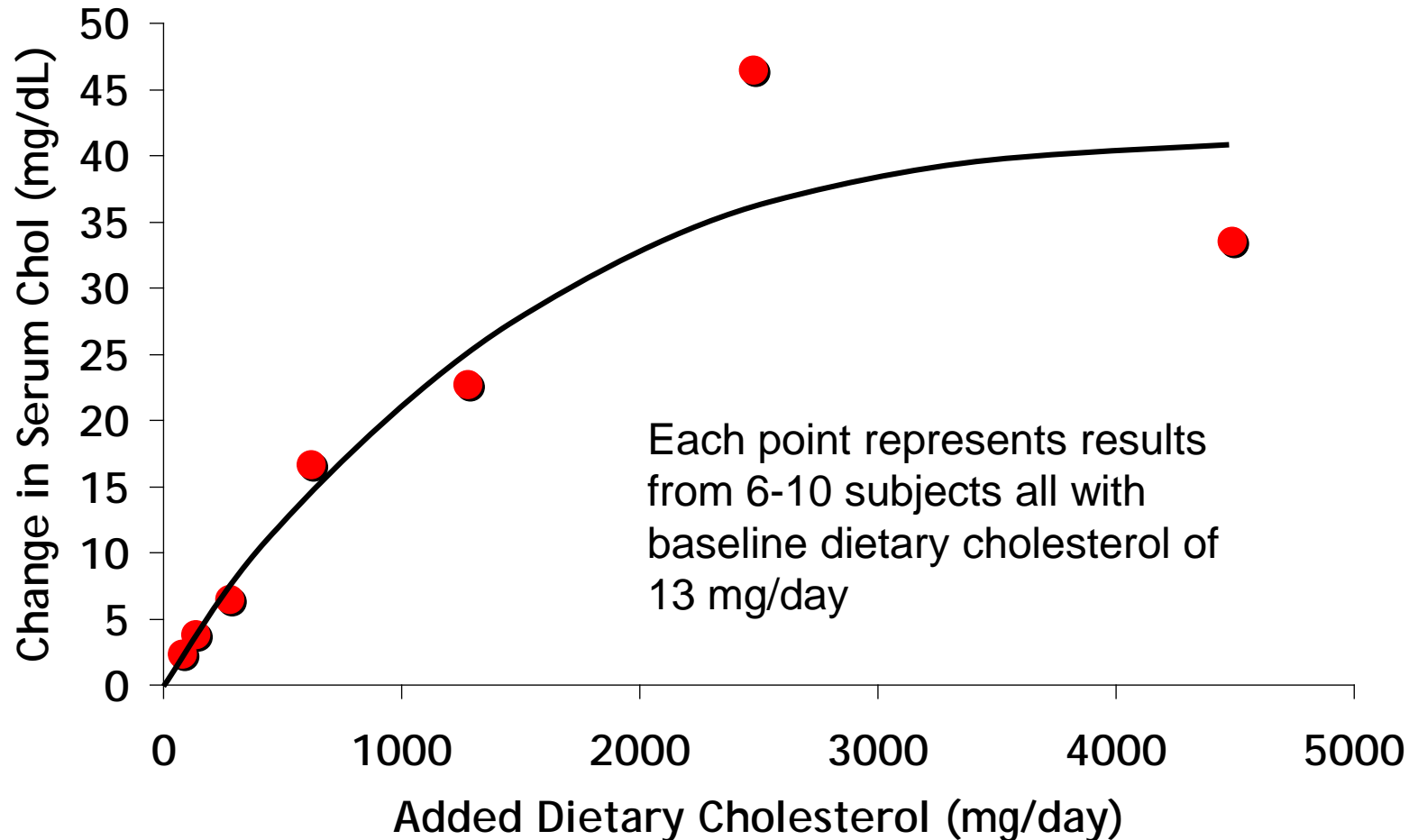
Time permitting

Dietary cholesterol and plasma LDL-C

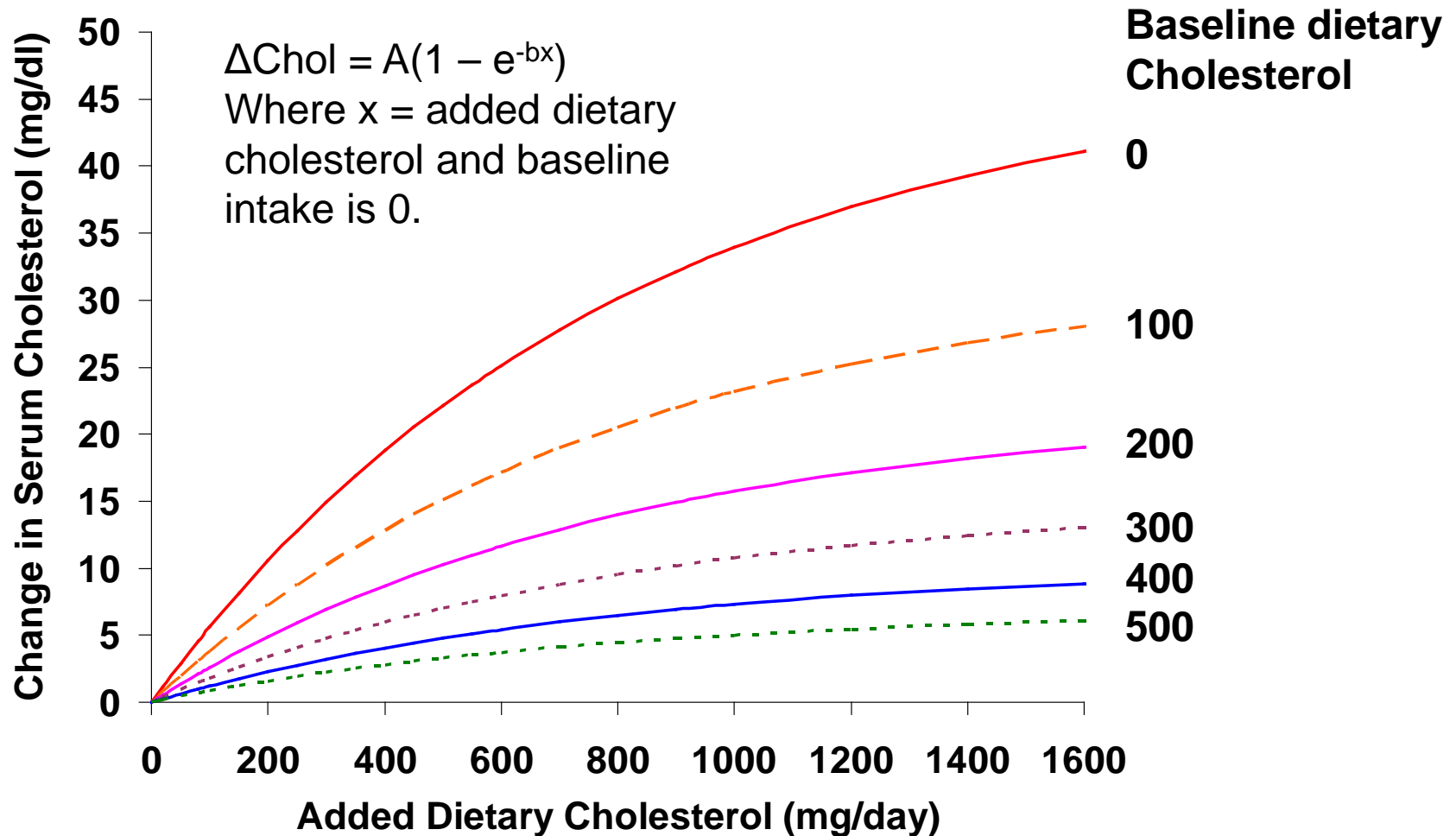
Cholesterol homeostasis – SREBP-2



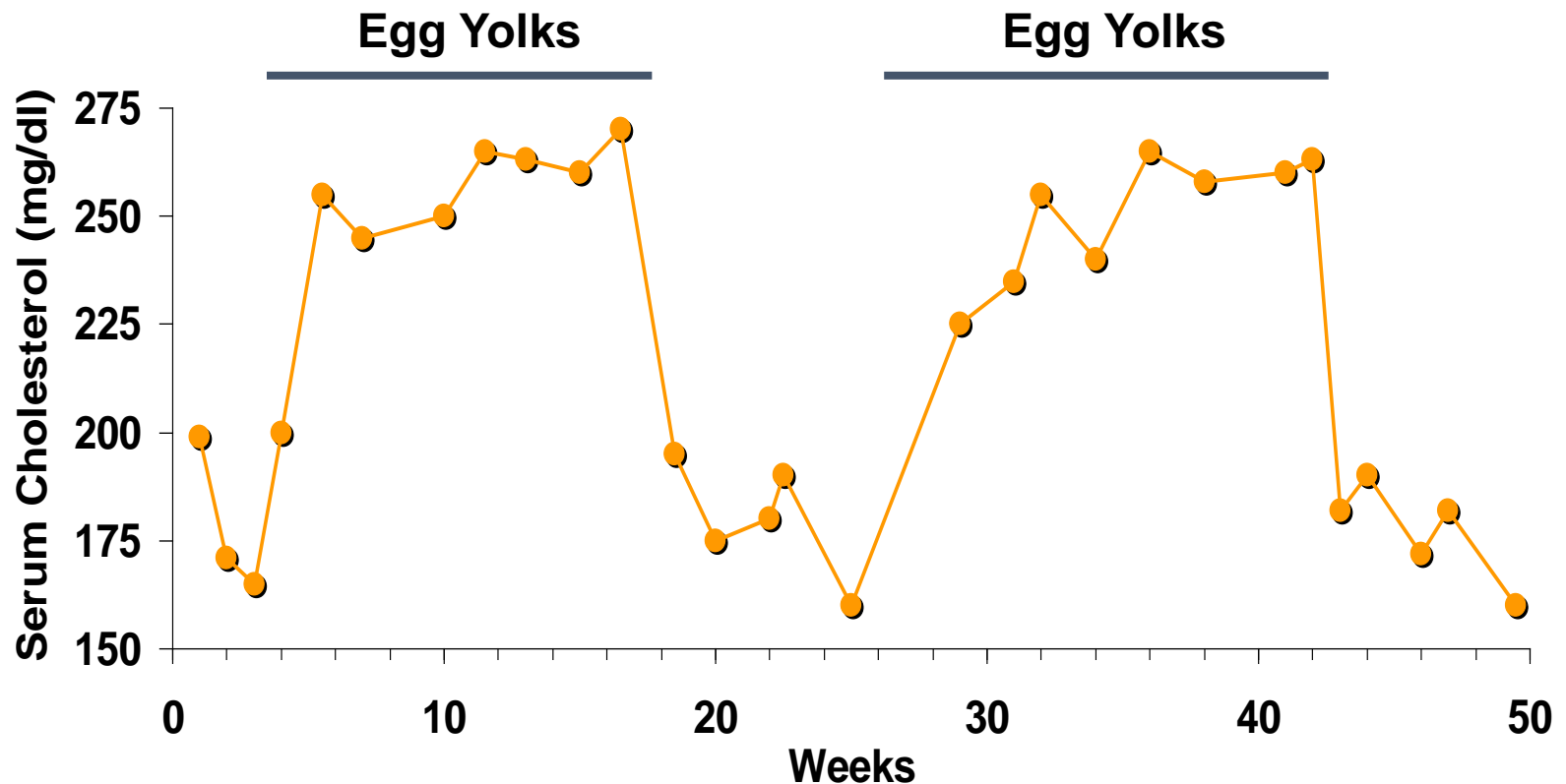
Effect of cholesterol added to a defined liquid diet



Effect of dietary cholesterol on serum cholesterol – a meta-analysis

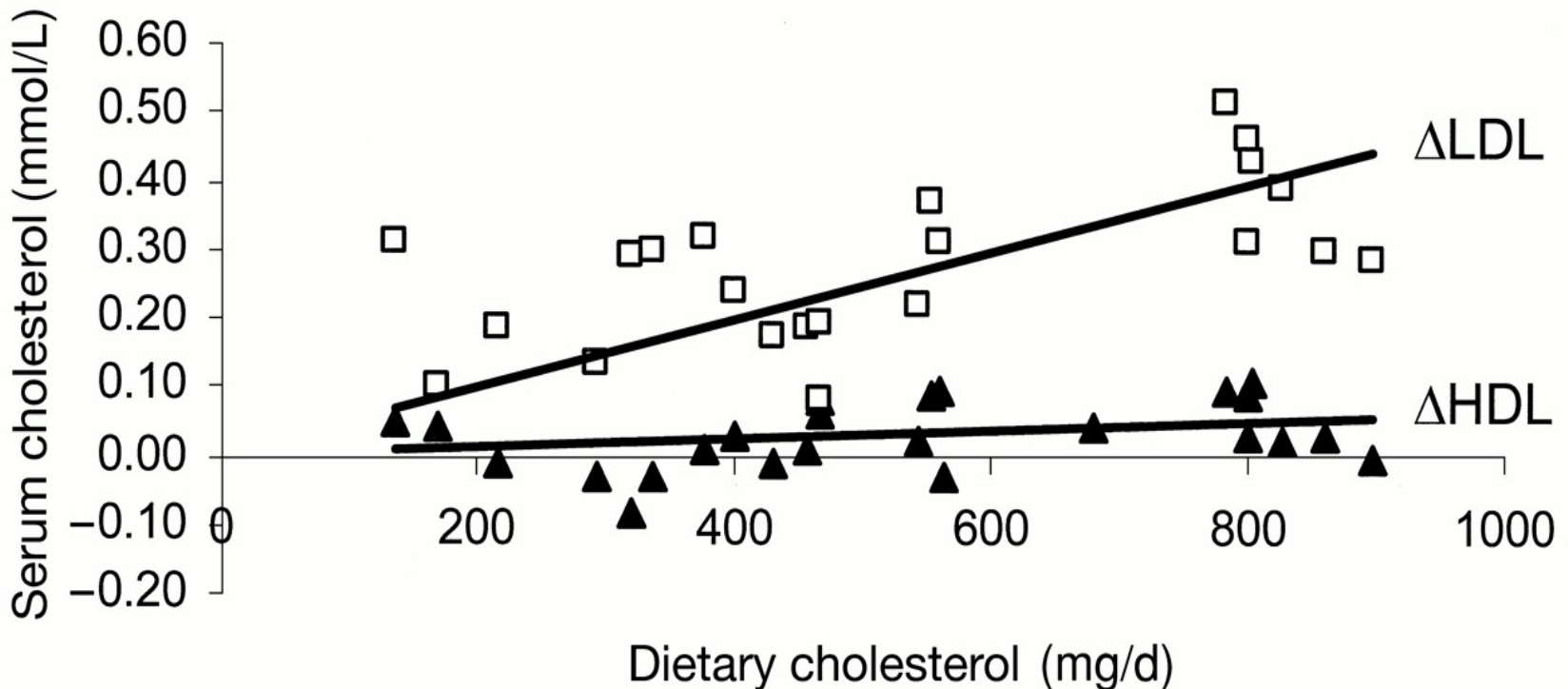


Effect of egg yolks (supplying 2400 mg cholesterol daily) in a 34 year-old man



Diet was otherwise free of cholesterol. Saturated fat 14% calories, monounsaturates 17%, and polyunsaturates 10%. Weight was kept constant.

Dietary cholesterol increases the ratio of LDL to HDL in humans



How does dietary cholesterol raise serum LDL?

- Increased hepatocyte cholesterol leads to:
 - Decrease in SREBP2 (sterol response element binding protein 2) proteolytic cleavage and release
 - **Down-regulation of SREBP2-responsive genes** including:
 - LDL receptor
 - Cholesterol synthesis genes (like HMG-CoA reductase)
 - **↑ oxysterols, desmosterol → ↑ LXR (liver X receptor) activation**
 - Increased bile acid formation from cholesterol (via CYP7A1) (MAINLY IN RODENTS, little effect in humans)
 - Increased ABCG5 and ABCG8 which transport cholesterol from hepatocytes into the bile.
 - Increase ABCA1 which transfers cholesterol to HDL
 - Increased IDOL transcription with increased LDLR ubiquitination and degradation (important effect in primates and humans, but not mice)
- Decreased LDL receptors results in lower fractional catabolic rate of LDL and increased LDL in plasma