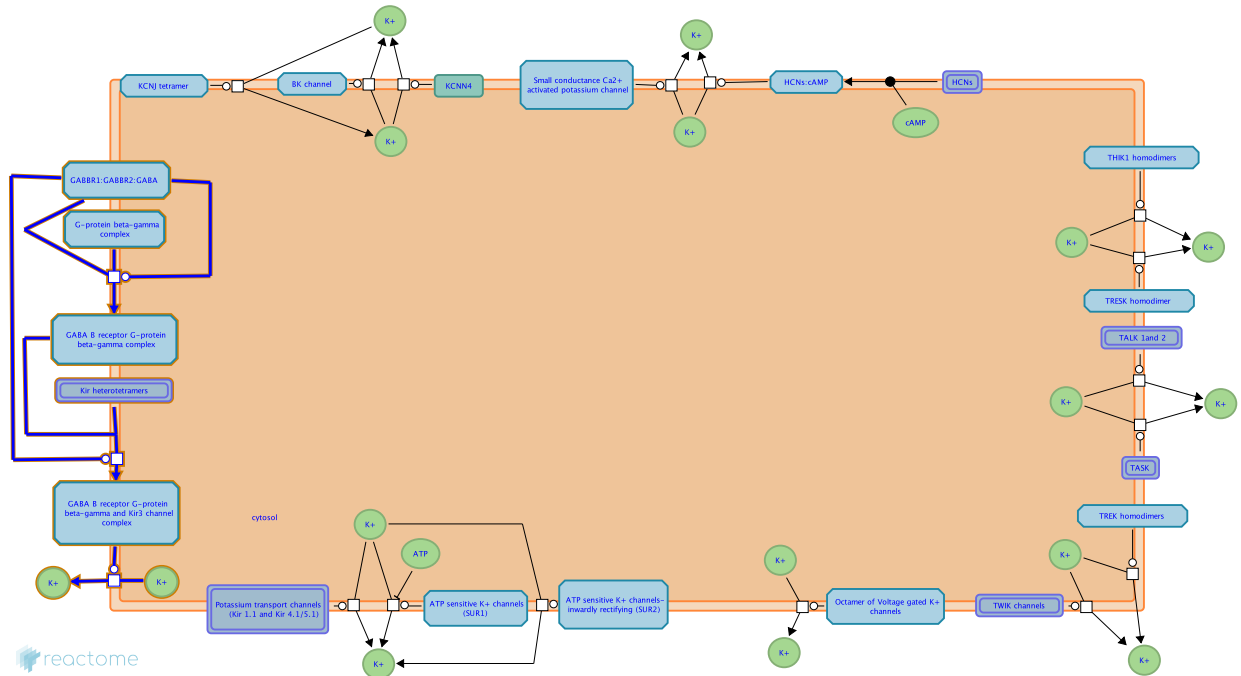


# G protein gated Potassium channels



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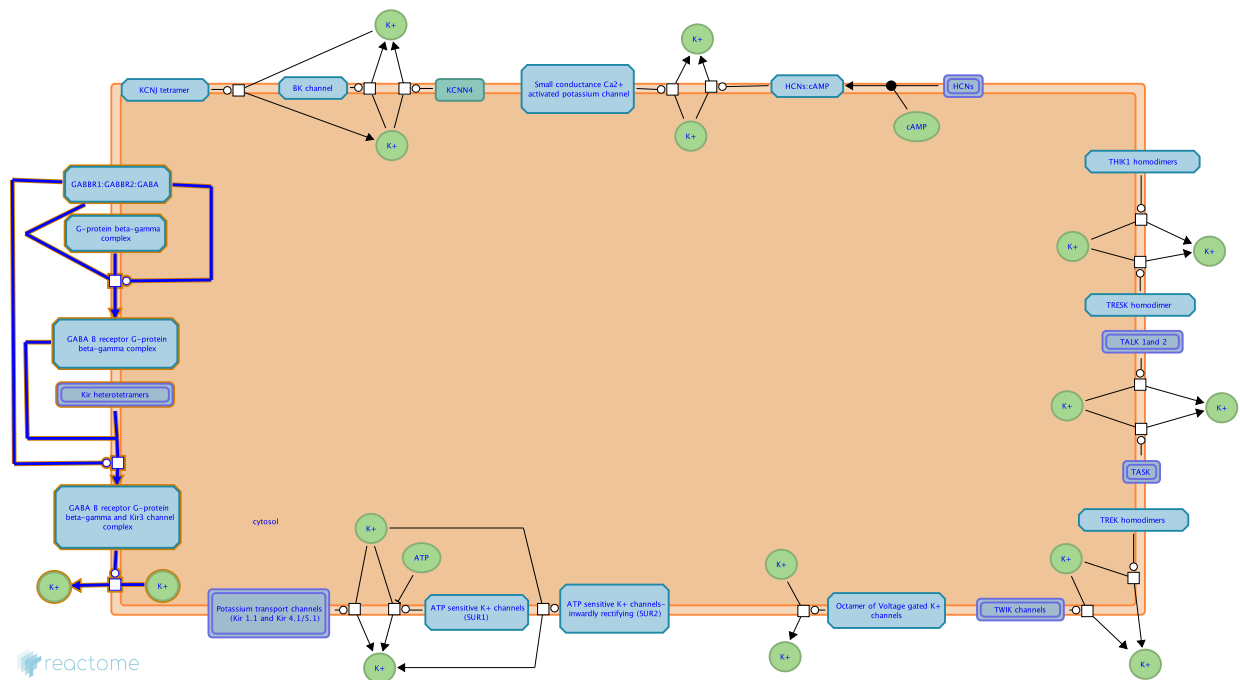
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**Compartments:** plasma membrane, cytosol, extracellular region



Inwardly rectifying G protein activated K<sup>+</sup> channels (GIRK) are tetrameric assemblies of Kir3 family subunits (Kir 3.1, 3.2 3.3 and 3.4). The activation of G protein coupled receptor by ligand results in the liberation of G alpha and G beta gamma subunits. Gbeta gamma subunits interact and activate GIRK channels.

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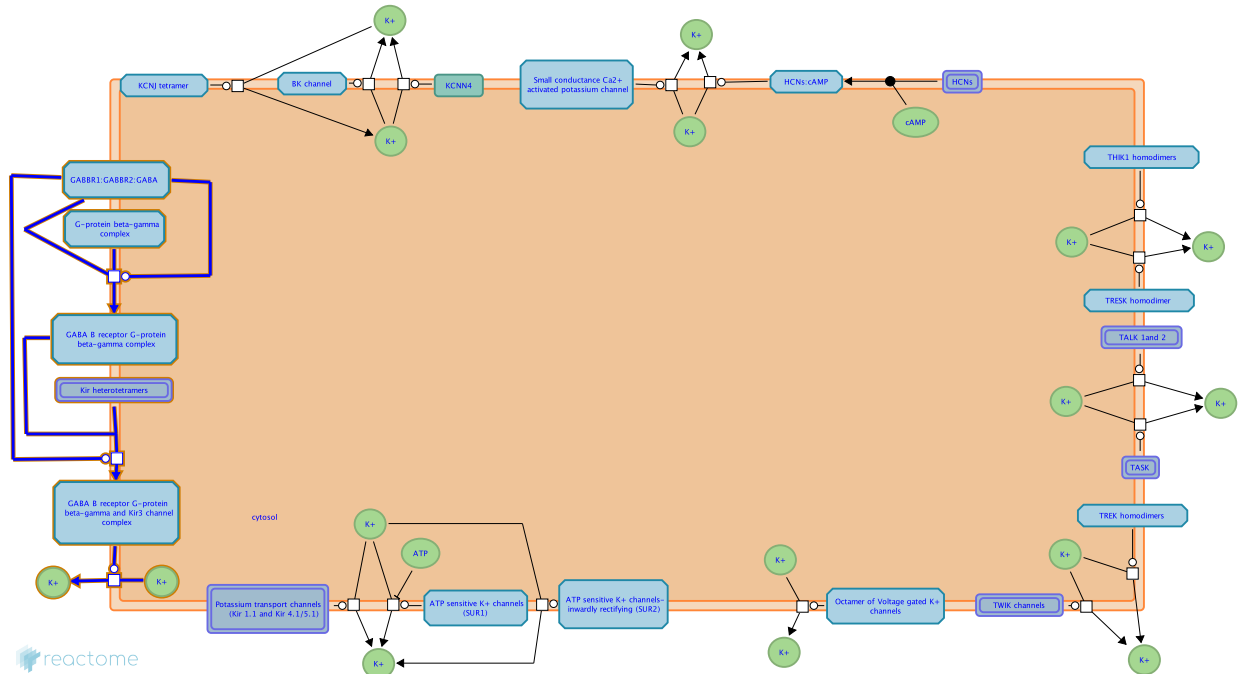
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## Activation of G protein gated Potassium channels ↗

**Location:** G protein gated Potassium channels

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**Compartments:** plasma membrane, cytosol, extracellular region



Activation of Kir 3 channels occurs after binding of G beta gamma subunits of GPCR. Activation of Kir3/GIRK leads to K<sup>+</sup> efflux. The dissociation of GPCR into G alpha and G beta gamma subunits is activated by the activation of GABA B receptor by GABA binding.

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