Collagen degradation

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Collagen fibril diameter and spatial organisation are dependent on the species, tissue type and stage of development (Parry 1988). The lengths of collagen fibrils in mature tissues are largely unknown but in tendon can be measured in millimetres (Craig et al. 1989). Collagen fibrils isolated from adult bovine corneal stroma had ~350 collagen molecules in transverse section, tapering down to three molecules at the growing tip (Holmes & Kadler 2005).

The classical view of collagenases is that they actively unwind the triple helical chain, a process termed molecular tectonics (Overall 2002, Bode & Maskos 2003), before preferentially cleaving the alpha2 chain followed by the remaining chains (Chung et al. 2004). More recently it has been suggested that collagen fibrils exist in an equilibrium between protected and vulnerable states (Stultz 2002, Nerenberg & Stultz 2008). The prototypical triple-helical structure of collagen does not fit into the active site of collagenase MMPs. In addition the scissile bonds are not solvent-exposed and are therefore inaccessible to the collagenase active site (Chung et al. 2004, Stultz 2002). It was realized that collagen must locally unfold into non-triple helical regions to allow collagenolysis. Observations using circular dichroism and differential scanning calorimetry confirm that there is considerable heterogeneity along collagen fibres (Makareeva et al. 2008) allowing access for MMPs at physiological temperatures (Salsas-Escat et al. 2010).

Collagen fibrils with cut chains are unstable and accessible to proteinases that cannot cleave intact collagen strands (Woessner & Nagase 2000, Somerville et al. 2003). Continued degradation leads to the formation of gelatin (Lovejoy et al. 1999). Degradation of collagen types other than I-III is less well characterized but believed to occur in a similar manner.

Metalloproteinases (MMPs) play a major part in the degradation of several extracellular macromolecules including collagens. MMP1 (Welgus et al. 1981), MMP8 (Hasty et al. 1987), and MMP13 (Knauper et al. 1996), sometimes referred to as collagenases I, II and III respectively, are able to initiate the intrahelical...
cleavage of the major fibril forming collagens I, II and III at neutral pH, and thus thought to define the rate-limiting step in normal tissue remodeling events. All can cleave additional substrates including other collagen subtypes. Collagenases cut collagen alpha chains at a single conserved Gly-Ile/Leu site approximately 3/4 of the molecule's length from the N-terminus (Fields 1991, Chung et al. 2004). The cleavage site is characterised by the motif G(I/L)(A/L); the G-I/L bond is cleaved. In collagen type I this corresponds to G953-I954 in the Uniprot canonical alpha chain sequences (often given as G775-I776 in literature). It is not clear why only this bond is cleaved, as the motif occurs at several other places in the chain. MMP14, a membrane-associated MMP also known as Membrane-type matrix metalloproteinase 1 (MT-MMP1), is able to cleave collagen types I, II and III (Ohuchi et al. 1997).

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Collagen type I degradation by MMP1,2,8,13, PRSS2

Location: Collagen degradation

Stable identifier: R-HSA-1454822

Type: transition

Compartments: extracellular region

MMP1 (Welgus et al. 1981), MMP8 (Hasty et al. 1987), and MMP13 (Knäuper et al. 1996) known in the literature as collagenases I, II and III respectively are able to digest the intrahelical bonds of collagen type I. MMP2, also known as Gelatinase-A, was found to cleave collagen type I fibrils (Aimes & Quigley 1995). Though this was disputed (Seltzre & Eisen 1999) there is a structural explanation for the apparent discrepancies in experimental data (Patterson et al. 2001). In addition trypsin-2 is able to degrade native soluble type I collagen (Moilanen et al. 2003).

Degradation is represented here at a theoretical end point where every alpha strand has been cleaved.

Followed by: Gelatin degradation by MMP19, Gelatin degradation by MMP1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13

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Collagen type I degradation by MMP14

**Location:** Collagen degradation

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-1458433

**Type:** transition

**Compartments:** plasma membrane

**Inferred from:** Collagen type I degradation by MMP14 (Cavia porcellus)

The membrane-type MMP MMP14 (MT1-MMP) is a fibrillar collagenase able to degrade collagen types I, II and III (Ohuchi et al. 1997).

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Collagen type I degradation by MMP15

**Location:** Collagen degradation

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-2473596

**Type:** transition

**Compartments:** plasma membrane

The membrane-type MMP MMP15 (MT2-MMP) is a fibrillar collagenase able to degrade collagen type I (Morrison and Overall 2006) and believed able to degrade types II and III (Somerville et al. 2003).

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Collagen type II degradation by MMP1,3,8,13,PRSS2

**Location:** Collagen degradation

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-1474197

**Type:** transition

**Compartments:** extracellular region

MMP1 (Welgus et al. 1981), MMP8 (Hasty et al. 1987), and MMP13 (Knauper et al. 1996, Mitchell et al. 1996, Billinghurst et al. 1997) known in the literature as collagenases I, II and III respectively are able to digest the intrahelical bonds of collagen type II, cleaving between amino acids Gly975 and Leu976 of the Uniprot canonical sequence. Human trypsin-2 is also capable of cleaving the triple helix of human cartilage collagen type II (Stenman et al. 2005).

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**Collagen type II degradation by MMP14**

**Location:** Collagen degradation

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-1474196

**Type:** transition

**Compartments:** plasma membrane

**Inferred from:** Collagen type II degradation by MMP14 (Homo sapiens)

The membrane-type MMP MMP14 (MT1-MMP) is a fibrillar collagenase. MMP14 is able to degrade collagen types I, II and III (Ohuchi et al. 1997).

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Collagen type II degradation by MMP15

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Type: omitted

Compartments: plasma membrane

The membrane-type MMP MMP15 (MT2-MMP) is a fibrillar collagenase. MMP15 is able to degrade collagen type I (Morrison & Overall 2006) and believed able to degrade types II and III (Somerville et al. 2003).

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Collagen type III degradation by MMP1,8,9,13

Location: Collagen degradation

Stable identifier: R-HSA-1474213

Type: transition

Compartments: extracellular region

MMP1 (Welgus et al. 1981), MMP8 (Hasty et al. 1987), and MMP13 (Knauper et al. 1996, Mitchell et al. 1996), called collagenases I, II and III respectively, are all able to cleave the intrahelical bonds of collagen type III, cleaving between amino acids Gly948 and Ile949 of the Uniprot canonical sequence. MMP9 (Bigg et al. Veidal et al. 2010) and MMP10 (Stromelysin-2) are able to degrade collagen type III (Nicholson et al. 1989).

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Collagen type III degradation by MMP10

Location: Collagen degradation

 Stable identifier: R-HSA-2485111

Type: transition

Compartments: extracellular region

Inferred from: Collagen type III degradation by MMP10 (Homo sapiens)

MMP10 (Stromelysin-2) is able to degrade collagen type III (Nicholson et al. 1989).

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Collagen type III degradation by MMP14

Location: Collagen degradation

Stable identifier: R-HSA-1474210

Type: transition

Compartments: extracellular region, plasma membrane

The membrane-type MMP MMP14 (MT1-MMP) is a fibrillar collagenase able to degrade collagen types I, II and III (Ohuchi et al. 1997).

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Collagen type III degradation by MMP15

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**Type:** omitted

**Compartments:** extracellular region, plasma membrane

The membrane-type MMP MMP15 (MT2-MMP) is a fibrillar collagenase able to degrade collagen type I (Morrison & Overall 2006) and believed able to degrade collagen types II and III (Somerville et al. 2002).

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Collagen type IV degradation by MMP2,3,4,9,10,12

Location: Collagen degradation

Stable identifier: R-HSA-1564142

Type: transition

Compartments: extracellular region

Type IV collagen is the most abundant structural basement membrane (BM) component, providing a scaffold for other major BM proteins such as laminin (Charonis et al. 1985, 1986). There are six different genes encoding type IV collagen chains, alpha-1 to alpha-6(IV) with distinct tissue distributions. Three alpha chains fold to form the triple helical unit of collagen IV. Three chain combinations have been identified, alpha-1X2 alpha-2(IV), alpha-3, alpha-4, alpha-5(IV) and alpha-5X2, alpha-6(IV) (Borza et al. 2001). The first is the major form, found in all basement membranes, the other types have more restricted distributions.


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Collagen type V degradation by MMP2,9,10

Location: Collagen degradation

Stable identifier: R-HSA-1564164

Type: transition

Compartments: extracellular region

Type V collagen is a fibril-forming collagen forming a group with collagen types I, II, III and XI (Gelse et al. 2003). Three different alpha chains exist that can combine in three distinct trimers. Collagen V forms fibrils that are associated with type I and to a lesser extent III collagen, as a minor but critical component of bone matrix, corneal stroma and the interstitial matrix of muscle, liver, lung and placenta (Birk et al. 1988). COL5A1−/− mice have an almost complete lack of collagen fibrils reflecting a central role in fibrillogenesis (Wenstrup et al. 2004). Type V collagen mutation results in a range of connective tissue diseases including Ehlers-Danlos syndrome (EDS), which is a heterogeneous group of disorders characterized by joint hypermobility and skin hyperextensibility, thinness and fragility. These result from mutations in the COL5A1 and COL5A2 genes (Michalickova et al. 1998, Schwarze et al. 2000).


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Collagen type VI degradation by MMP2,9,11

Location: Collagen degradation

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Type: transition

Compartments: extracellular region

Type VI collagen aggregates into distinctive microfibrils known as beaded filaments that form an independent microfibrillar network in virtually all connective tissues except for bone (von der Mark et al. 1984). It plays a role in the maintenance of tissue integrity since it participates in both cell-matrix and matrix-matrix interactions, interacting with many other ECM proteins including fibronectin (Chang et al. 1997), type IV collagen (Kuo et al. 1997), type II collagen, decorin and biglycan (Bidanset et al. 1992). Collagen type VI has been described as a connecting protein (Gelse et al. 2003).

Collagen type VI is resistant to digestion by many MMPs but is cleaved by MMP2 (Myint et al. 1996, Veidal et al. 2011), MMP9 (Veidal et al. 2011) and MMP11 (Motrescu et al. 2008).

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**Collagen type VII degradation by MMP1,2,3**

**Location:** Collagen degradation

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-1564120

**Type:** transition

**Compartments:** extracellular region

Type VII collagen is the major collagen component of anchoring fibrils, which are essential for the attachment of the epidermis to the dermis. It is degraded by MMP1 (Seltzer et al. 1989), MMP2 (Seltzer et al. 1989, Sawamura et al. 1991, Karelina et al. 2000) and MMP3 (Sawamura et al. 1991). MMP2 is 3000-fold more active than MMP1 (Seltzer et al. 1989).

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Collagen type VIII degradation by MMP1

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Stable identifier: R-HSA-1564169

Type: transition

Compartments: extracellular region

Collagen type VIII is a short chain, network-forming collagen, thought to play a role in tissue remodeling and repair (Shuttleworth 1997, Weitkamp et al. 1999). There are two alpha chain subtypes, found in a ratio of two alpha-1 to one alpha-2 chains (Mann et al. 1990) in the typical collagen heterotrimer. Studies suggest that type VIII collagen is a major component of the hexagonal lattice seen in Descemet's membrane (Mann et al. 1990). Mutations in both alpha chains have been associated with Fuchs endothelial corneal dystrophy (FECD), a degenerative disease of the corneal endothelium (Jun et al. 2012).

Collagen type VIII can be degraded by MMP1 (Sage et al. 1983, 1984).

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Collagen type VIII degradation by ELANE

**Location:** Collagen degradation

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-2482180

**Type:** transition

**Compartments:** extracellular region

**Inferred from:** Cleavage of collagen type VIII by ELANE (Homo sapiens)

Collagen type VIII is a short chain, network-forming collagen, thought to play a role in tissue remodeling and repair (Shuttleworth 1997, Weitkamp et al. 1999). There are two alpha chain subtypes, found in a ratio of two alpha-1 to one alpha-2 chains (Mann et al. 1990) in the typical collagen heterotrimer. Studies suggest that type VIII collagen is a major component of the hexagonal lattice seen in Descemet’s membrane (Mann et al. 1990). Mutations in both alpha chains have been associated with Fuchs endothelial corneal dystrophy (FECD), a degenerative disease of the corneal endothelium (Jun et al. 2012).

Collagen type VIII can be degraded by neutrophil elastase (ELANE, ELA2; Kittelberger et al. 1992).

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**Collagen type IX degradation by MMP3,13**

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**Type:** transition  
**Compartments:** extracellular region  
**Inferred from:** Collagen type IX degradation (Bos taurus)

Type IX collagen interacts covalently with type II collagen fibril surfaces, suggesting that it represents a macromolecular bridge between fibrils and other cartilage matrix components (Eyre et al. 1987, Olsen 1997). Degradation of type IX (and type II) collagen is seen at the onset of inflammatory arthritis (Kojima et al. 2001).

Collagen type IX is cleaved by MMP3 (Okada et al. 1989, Eyre et al. 1991, Wu et al. 1991) and MMP13 (Knauper et al. 1997).

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Collagen type X degradation by MMP1,2

Location: Collagen degradation

Stable identifier: R-HSA-1564143

Type: transition

Compartments: extracellular region

Inferred from: Collagen type X degradation by MMP1,2 (Gallus gallus)

Collagen X is thought to form extended hexagonal networks (Kwan et al. 1991, Jacenko et al. 2001). It's distribution is limited to regions of hypertrophic cartilage destined for degradation during endochondral ossification (Schmid & Conrad 1982). It is also found in areas of surface fibrillation and osteophyte formation during the development of osteoarthritic lesions in articular cartilage (von der Mark et al. 1992). In Timp3 knockout mice type X collagen was observed mostly in areas of articular cartilage that stained strongly for collagen cleavage products, suggesting that deposition of type X collagen might be a damage repair mechanism (Sahebjam et al. 2007). Mutations in the gene COL10A1 are associated with Schmid/Japanese type metaphyseal chondrodysplasia (SMCD) (Warman et al. 1993, Ho et al. 2007, Woelfle et al. 2011).


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Collagen type X degradation by MMP3, 13

Location: Collagen degradation

Stable identifier: R-HSA-2484882

Type: transition

Compartments: extracellular region

Inferred from: Collagen type X degradation by MMP3, 13 (Homo sapiens)

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Collagen type XI degradation by MMP1,2,3,9

Location: Collagen degradation

Stable identifier: R-HSA-1564179

Type: transition

Compartments: extracellular region

Inferred from: Collagen type XI degradation by MMP1,2,3,9 (Bos taurus)

Collagen type XI has 3 types of alpha chain. The alpha1(XI) and alpha2(XI) chains are distinct gene products unique to collagen XI, while alpha3(XI) is a hyperglycosylated form of the alpha1 chain for collagen II (Burgeson & Hollister 1979, Morris & Bächinger 1987). Collagen type XI is a fibril-forming collagen found in conjunction with collagens type II and IX in cartilage fibrils (Miller & Gay 1987, Mendler et al. 1989). It is thought to be the structural equivalent of collagen V in connective tissue collagen fibrils. The formation of cartilage collagen fibrils requires collagen XI, suggesting a regulatory function (Li et al. 1995, Wu & Eyre 1995).

Mutations in COL11A1 result in fibrochondrogenesis, a severe, autosomal-recessive, short-limbed skeletal dysplasia (Tompson et al. 2010). Variations in COL11A1, COL11A2 and COL2A1 are associated with the inherited chondrodysplasias Marshall and Stickler syndromes (Annunen et al. 1999).


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Collagen type XII degradation by MMP12

**Location:** Collagen degradation

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-2168046

**Type:** transition

**Compartments:** extracellular region

Collagen type XII is a member of the fibril-associated collagens with interrupted triple helices (FACIT) group, thought to be bound to the surface of interstitial collagen fibrils (Keene et al. 1991). It has only one alpha chain type, with two collagenous (Col1 and Col2) and three noncollagenous domains (NC1-NC3). Whereas the collagenous and the NC1 and NC2 regions are short, the NHE-terminal NC3 is a huge trimeric domain (Yamagata et al. 1991, Wälchli et al. 1993). Collagen XII may enhance the stability of connective tissues by bridging collagen fibrils (Nishiyama et al. 1994, Bader et al. 2009). It may be a stress response molecule, directly influenced by stretch and shear stress. Expression of COL12A1 is directly stimulated by mechanical forces (Flück et al. 2003, Jin et al. 2003, Arai et al. 2008). Expression is predominantly in bone, suggesting involvement of type XII collagen in the regulation of osteoblasts and cell interactions. Transgenic type XII collagen-null mice have skeletal abnormalities. They have decreased bone matrix deposition and delayed maturation. Compared with controls, Col12a knockout osteoblasts are disorganized, being less polarized with disrupted cell-cell interactions, decreased connexin43 expression and impaired gap junction function (Izu et al. 2011).

MMP12 can cleave collagen XII (Didangelos et al. 2011).

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Collagen type XIV degradation by MMP9,13

Location: Collagen degradation

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Type: transition

Compartments: extracellular region

Inferred from: Collagen XIV degradation (Bos taurus)

Collagen type XIV is a member of the fibril-associated collagens with interrupted triple helices (FACIT) family, expressed in most mesenchymal tissues. The non-collagenous domain at the N-terminus of collagen XIV is extremely large, nearly 80% of the entire polypeptide. This domain is composed of eight fibronectin type III repeats, two von Willebrand factor A-like (vWFA) domains and one non-collagenous domain 4 (NC4 domain) related to collagen type IX. Collagen XIV is expressed in most mesenchymal tissues where it appears to interact with collagen type VI, glycosaminoglycans, proteoglycans and matrix receptors (Brown et al. 1993, Imhof & Trueb 1998). It has been implicated as a regulator of fibrillogenesis. Collagen type XIV deficient mice have a grossly normal phenotype but their skin has altered mechanical properties. Tendons were seen to be enlarged at postnatal day 4 though mature tendons appeared normal. Tendons from postnatal day 7 KO mice had reduced strength but by 60 days were comparable with wild-type (Ansorge et al. 2009). Adult Col14a1 mice have defects in ventricular morphogenesis (Tao et al. 2012).

Collagen type XIV is degraded by MMP9 (Sires et al. 1995) and MMP13 (Knauper et al. 1997).

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Collagen type XV restin release

Location: Collagen degradation

Stable identifier: R-HSA-2168038

Type: omitted

Compartments: extracellular region

Collagens type XV and XVIII are closely related non-fibrillar collagens that define the multiplexin (multiple triple helix domains with interruptions) subfamily of collagens. Both are homotrimers characterized by highly interrupted collagenous domains flanked by large globular domains with attached glycosaminoglycan chains. Collagen XV is localized in the outermost layer of the basement membrane (BM) and in the fibrillar matrix. Collagen type XV is the only collagen able to self-assemble into higher-order cruciform structures with intermolecular binding sites (Myers et al. 2007). The interaction is mediated by interactions between triple helical regions (Hurskainen et al. 2010). It is predominantly located in the basement membranes of microvessels, and cardiac and skeletal myocytes (Hägg et al. 1997), where it binds basement membrane and microfibrillar components such as fibulin-2, nidogen-2, vitronectin, laminin, and fibronectin (Sasaki et al. 2000, Hurskainen et al. 2010). It may form a bridge between fibrillar collagens and the basement membrane (Amenta et al. 2005), acting as a molecular shock absorber to stabilize and enhance resilience to compressive and expansive forces (Myers et al. 2007). Lack of Collagen type XV in Col15a1-null mice resulted in increased permeability and impaired microvascular hemodynamics, distinct early-onset and age-dependent defects in heart structure and function, a poorly organized fibrillar collagen matrix with marked interstitial deposition of nonfibrillar protein aggregates, increased tissue stiffness, and irregularly organized cardiomyocytes (Rasi et al. 2010a). Col15a1 knockout also leads to loosely packed axons in C-fibers and polyaxonal myelination. Simultaneous knockout with laminin alpha-4 leads to severely impaired radial sorting and myelination (Rasi et al. 2010b).

The C-terminal non-collagenous region of collagen type XV is known as restin because it resembles endostatin, having antiangiogenic effects (Ramchandran et al. 1999, Sasaki et al. 2000).

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Collagen type XVI degradation by MMP9

**Location:** Collagen degradation

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-2168982

**Type:** transition

**Compartments:** extracellular region

**Inferred from:** Collagen type XVI degradation (Bos taurus)

Type XVI collagen is a member of the FACIT collagen family (fibril-associated collagens with interrupted helices). During early mouse development, it occurs in many tissues and is co-distributed with the major fibrillar collagens (Lai & Chu 1996). In skin, collagen XVI preferentially occurs in narrow zones near basement membranes at the dermo-epidermal junction (DEJ) of blood vessels (Grässel et al., 1999). In papillary dermis, the protein unexpectedly does not occur in banded collagen fibrils, but is a component of specialized fibrillin-1-containing microfibrils. However, in cartilage matrix it does not aggregate with fibrillin-1, rather it exists as a discrete population of thin, weakly banded collagen fibrils in association with collagens II and XI (Kassner et al. 2003, 2004). Collagen XVI induces the recruitment of integrins alpha1 beta1 and alpha1 beta 2 into focal adhesion plaques, a principal step in integrin signaling (Eble et al. 2006), allowing cells to affect the architecture of the ECM networks by binding and moving ECM proteins.

Collagen type XVI is cleaved by MMP9 (Sires et al. 1995).

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Collagen type XVIII endostatin release

**Location:** Collagen degradation

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-2168923

**Type:** transition

**Compartments:** extracellular region

Collagen type XVIII is a heparan sulfate proteoglycan associated with the basement membranes of almost all epithelia and endothelia. It has a large C-terminal noncollagenous domain. Mouse knockouts suggest that it may have a role in maintaining the structural integrity of the extracellular matrix (Utriainen et al. 2004).

Proteolytic cleavage of the C-terminal noncollagenous domain by matrix metalloproteinases (Heljasvaara et al. 2005) releases 18 to 38 kDa C-terminal proteolytic fragments, collectively named endostatin. They have anti-angiogenic activity (O'Reilly et al. 1997, Ständker et al. 1997) and suppress primary tumor and metastasis growth in experimental animal models (Ortega & Werb 2002). It is not clear whether this collagen subtype forms supramolecular assemblies (Myllyharju & Kivirikko, 2004) but thought likely, via a similar mechanism to the related collagen XV (Hurskainen et al. 2010).

Endostatin-like fragments are released from collagen type XVIII by MMP 7 (Lin et al. 2001), 3, 9, 12, 13 (Ferreras et al. 2000) and 20 (Heljasvaara et al. 2005). Several cathepsins and elastase can bring about endostatin release (Ferreras et al. 2000, Felbor et al. 2000).

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**Endostatin degradation by cathepsins**

**Location:** Collagen degradation

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-2471621

**Type:** omitted

**Compartments:** extracellular region

As well as generating endostatin from collagen XVIII, cathepsins L and B quickly degrade it, as do cathepsins D and K. In contrast MMPs that produce endostatin do not cleave it further (Ferreras et al. 2000).

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Collagen type XIX degradation

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**Type:** omitted

**Compartments:** extracellular region

Collagen type XIX is a FACIT (fibril-associated collagens with interrupted triple helix) collagen family member (Inoguchi et al. 1995) with a large non-collagenous N terminal domain that can self-assemble into higher order structures that are stabilized by intermolecular disulfide cross-links. Collagen type XIX is the least abundant collagen so far purified, comprising ?10-6% of dry weight in human umbilical cord (Myers et al. 2003). It is found in the basement membrane (BM) of normal human tissues. In developing embryos it is transiently expressed in certain muscular tissues and brain areas. Due to this localized expression, it is thought to be involved in the formation of specialized BM zones (Sumiyoshi et al. 2001). Collagen XIX is lost early in the development of invasive tumours, prior to penetration and eventual dissolution of the epithelial BM (Amenta et al. 2003). The NC1 domain of type XIX collagen exerts antitumor activity (Ramont et al. 2007).

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Type XIII is a non-fibril-forming type II transmembrane protein with a large amino terminal NC1 domain. This domain has a hydrophobic membrane-spanning segment that anchors the molecule to the plasma membrane and a large extracellular, mostly collagenous carboxyterminal domain (Hägg et al. 1998). Recombinant type XIII collagen can form homotrimers with triple-helical collagenous domains (Snellman et al. 2000a). It is detected at low levels in all connective tissue-producing cells; in cultured cells it is localized in focal adhesions (Hägg et al. 2001). The extracellular region has an adhesion-related function (Hägg et al. 2001) that is involved in formation of the neuromuscular junction (Latvanlehto et al. 2010). The purified protein has been shown to interact with Integrin alpha1beta1 (Nykvist et al. 2000). An N-terminal ectodomain portion of type XIII collagen is cleaved in culture medium by a furin-like protease (Snellman et al. 2000b, Väisänen et al. 2004). This ectodomain interacts with fibronectin, nidogen-2 and perlecan (Tu et al. 2002, Väisänen et al. 2006).

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Collagen type XVII ectodomain shedding

**Location:** Collagen degradation

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-2168960

**Type:** transition

**Compartments:** plasma membrane

**Inferred from:** Collagen type XVII ectodomain shedding (Homo sapiens)

Collagen type XVII, identified as the 180-kDa bullous pemphigoid antigen or BP180, is a transmembrane protein forming a family with collagen type XIII. It is an important structural component of hemidesmosomes, complexes found in the dermal-epidermal basement membrane zone that mediate adhesion of keratinocytes to the underlying membrane (Franzke et al. 2005). The intracellular ligands of collagen XVII include Beta 4-integrins, plectin and BP230 in the hemidesmosomal plaque (Koster et al. 2003). Extracellular ligands include alpha 6-integrin and laminin-5 in anchoring filaments (Hopkinson et al. 1995, Tasanen et al. 2004). Mutations in the human collagen XVII gene COL17A1 lead to diminished epidermal adhesion and skin blistering in response to minimal shearing forces, a disorder called junctional epidermolysis bullosa (JEB).

A soluble ectodomain form of collagen type XVII referred to as LAD-1 is generated by proteolytic processing of the full length form (Hirako et al. 1988, Schäcke et al. 1998). Collagen XVII has a furin consensus sequence but is cleaved by proteinases of the ADAM family rather than furin convertases. ADAM-17 (TACE) appears to be the major physiologically-relevant sheddase for collagen XVII, though ADAM-9 and -10 may substitute (Franzke et al. 2002). These proteinases are activated by furin (Franzke et al. 2005).

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Collagen type XXIII ectodomain shedding

**Location:** Collagen degradation

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-2172405

**Type:** transition

**Compartments:** plasma membrane

**Inferred from:** Collagen type XXIII ectodomain shedding (Mus musculus)

Collagen type XXIII is a type II transmembrane collagen with a relatively small ectodomain. It exists in a membrane-bound form and a shed form, cleaved by furin (Veit et al. 2007). Both forms can bind alpha2beta1 integrin via the ectodomain, stimulating the formation of focal adhesion plaques (Veit et al. 2011).

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Collagen type XXV ectomain shedding

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Stable identifier: R-HSA-2471842

Type: transition

Compartments: plasma membrane

Identified as a component of amyloid plaques in Alzheimer's brain, the ectodomain of type XXV collagen (known as CLAC) is released by furin convertase activity (Hashimoto et al. 2002). The presence of CLAC leads to Abeta fibril bundles that have an increased resistance to proteases (Söderberg et al. 2005).

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Gelatin degradation by MMP1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13

**Location:** Collagen degradation

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-1454757

**Type:** omitted

**Compartments:** extracellular region

Gelatin is formed when collagen becomes partly or completely uncoiled when compared with the regular triple helix structure of fibrillar collagen. In vivo, once collagens are initially cleaved into classical 3/4 and 1/4 fragments (by collagenases) they rapidly denature at body temperature and are degraded by gelatinases and other nonspecific tissue proteinases (Chung et al. 2004) to a semi-solid colloid gel. MMP2 and MMP9 are the major gelatinases (Collier et al. 1988, Wilhelm et al. 1989) often referred to respectively as Gelatinase A and Gelatinase B (Murphy & Crabbe 1995). However many other MMPs have gelatinase activity, including MMP1 (Murphy et al. 1982, Isaksen & Fagerhol 2001, Chung et al. 2004), MMP3 (Chin et al. 1985, Isaksen & Fagerhol 2001), MMP7 (Isaksen & Fagerhol 2001), MMP8 (Isaksen & Fagerhol 2001) MMP10 (Sanches-Lopez et al. 1993), MMP12 (Chandler et al. 1996), MMP13 (Knäuper et al. 1993, Isaksen & Fagerhol 2001), MMP16 (Shofuda et al. 1997), MMP17 (Wang et al. 1999), MMP18 (Spinucci et al. 1988), MMP19 (Stracke et al. 2000) and MMP22 (Yang & Kurkinen 1998).

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Gelatin degradation by MMP19

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**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-2537499

**Type:** omitted

**Compartments:** extracellular region

**Inferred from:** Gelatin degradation by MMP19 (Homo sapiens)

Gelatin is formed when collagen becomes partly or completely uncoiled when compared with the regular triple helix structure of fibrillar collagen. In vivo, once collagens are initially cleaved into classical 3/4 and 1/4 fragments (by collagenases) they rapidly denature at body temperature and are degraded by gelatinases and other nonspecific tissue proteinases (Chung et al. 2004) to a semi-solid colloid gel. MMP2 and MMP9 are the major gelatinases (Collier et al. 1988, Wilhelm et al. 1989) often referred to respectively as Gelatinase A and Gelatinase B (Murphy & Crabbe 1995). However many other MMPs have gelatinase activity, including MMP1 (Murphy et al. 1982, Isaksen & Fagerhol 2001, Chung et al. 2004), MMP3 (Chin et al. 1985, Isaksen & Fagerhol 2001), MMP7 (Isaksen & Fagerhol 2001), MMP8 (Isaksen & Fagerhol 2001) MMP10 (Sanches-Lopez et al. 1993), MMP12 (Chandler et al. 1996), MMP13 (Knäuper et al. 1993, Isaksen & Fagerhol 2001), MMP16 (Shofuda et al. 1997), MMP17 (Wang et al. 1999), MMP18 (Spinucci et al. 1988), MMP19 (Stracke et al. 2000) and MMP22 (Yang & Kurkinen 1998).

**Preceded by:** Collagen type I degradation by MMP1,2,8,13, PRSS2, Collagen type I degradation by MMP14, Collagen type I degradation by MMP15, Collagen type II degradation by MMP1,3,8,13,PRSS2, Collagen type II degradation by MMP14, Collagen type III degradation by MMP1,8,9,13, Collagen type III degradation by MMP10, Collagen type III degradation by MMP14, Collagen type IV degradation by MMP2,3,4,9,10,12, Collagen type V degradation by MMP2,9,10, Collagen type VI degradation by MMP2,9,11, Collagen type VII degradation by MMP1,2,3, Collagen type VIII degradation by ELANE, Collagen type VIII degradation by MMP1, Collagen type IX degradation by MMP3,13, Collagen type X degradation by MMP1,2, Collagen type X degradation by MMP3,13, Collagen type XI degradation by MMP1,2,3,9, Collagen type XII degradation by MMP12, Collagen type XIV degradation by MMP9,13, Collagen type XVI degradation by MMP9
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**PXLP-K278-PHYKPL tetramer hydrolyses 5PHL**

**Location:** Collagen degradation

**Stable identifier:** R-HSA-5696408

**Type:** transition

**Compartments:** mitochondrial matrix

In mitochondria, ethanolamine-phosphate phospho-lyase and 5-phosphohydroxy-L-lysine phospho-lyase (ETNPPL and PHYKPL respectively) are two closely related pyridoxal-phosphate-dependent, homotetrameric ammoniophospholyases that hydrolyse phosphoethanolamine (PETA) and 5-phosphohydroxyllysine (5PHL) respectively (Veiga-da-Cunha et al. 2012). PETA is a component and a precursor of phospholipids whereas 5PHL is a breakdown product of collagen. ETNPPL utilises one pyridoxal 5’-phosphate (PXLP) as cofactor per subunit.

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