Gamma-carboxylation, transport, and amino-terminal cleavage of proteins

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Introduction

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A number of proteins, including eight required for normal blood clot formation and its regulation (Prothrombin (factor II), factor VII, factor IX, factor X, protein C, protein S, protein Z, and Gas6) share a sequence motif rich in glutamate residues near their amino termini. Carboxylation of the glutamate residues within this motif followed by removal of an amino-terminal propeptide is required for each of these proteins to function. These modifications occur as the proteins move through the endoplasmic reticulum and Golgi apparatus.

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Gamma-carboxylation of protein precursors

Location: Gamma-carboxylation, transport, and amino-terminal cleavage of proteins

Stable identifier: R-HSA-159740

Compartments: endoplasmic reticulum membrane

Gamma-carboxylation of a cluster of glutamate residues near the amino termini of thrombin, factor VII, factor IX, factor X, protein C, protein S, protein Z, and Gas 6 is required for these proteins to bind Ca++ and function efficiently in blood clotting. A single enzyme, vitamin K-dependent gamma-carboxylase, catalyzes the gamma-carboxylation of all eight proteins involved in clotting (Morris et al. 1995; Brenner et al. 1998; Spronk et al. 2000). In the carboxylation reaction, the enzyme binds its substrate protein via a sequence motif on the amino terminal side of the glutamate residues to be carboxylated (Furie et al. 1999), then processively carboxylates all glutamates in the cluster before releasing the substrate (Morris et al. 1995; Berkner 2000; Stenina et al. 2001). The reaction occurs in the endoplasmic reticulum (Bristol et al. 1996).

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Transport of gamma-carboxylated protein precursors from the endoplasmic reticulum to the Golgi apparatus

Location: Gamma-carboxylation, transport, and amino-terminal cleavage of proteins

Stable identifier: R-HSA-159763

Compartments: COPII-coated ER to Golgi transport vesicle

Gamma-carboxylated proteins are moved by anterograde transport from the endoplasmic reticulum to the Golgi apparatus (Kirchhausen 2000).

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Removal of aminoterminal propeptides from gamma-carboxylated proteins

Location: Gamma-carboxylation, transport, and amino-terminal cleavage of proteins

Stable identifier: R-HSA-159782

Compartments: Golgi lumen

Furin is an endopeptidase localized to the Golgi membrane that cleaves many proteins on the carboxyterminal side of the sequence motif Arg-[any residue]-Lys or Arg-Arg (Jones et al. 1995; Leduc et al. 1992). In the case of gamma-carboxylated proteins, if this cleavage does not occur, the proteins are still secreted but do not function properly (Bristol et al. 1993; Lind et al. 1997; Wasley et al. 1993). The aminoterminal fragments, "propeptides", generated in this reaction have no known function; the carboxylated, cleaved proteins are delivered to the cell membrane or secreted from the cell.

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