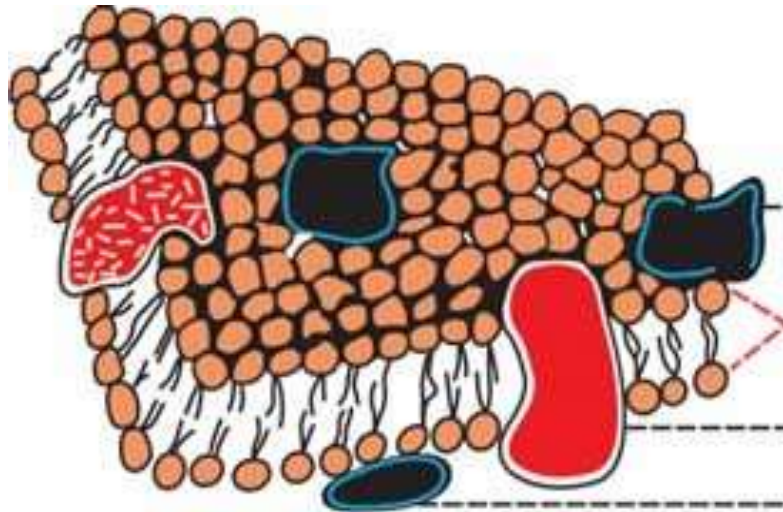


# The Activity of The $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ - $\text{Mg}^{2+}$ ATPase Enzyme

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The  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ - $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  ATPase are high affinity calcium pump, that contributes in maintaining **homeostasis** by plasma membrane of cytoplasm  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  source to the outside of cell

**Homeostasis** means the maintenance of constant internal environment. organisms multicellular including man live in a perfectly organized and controlled internal environment

That enzyme catalyzes the hydrolysis of ATP and is activated by mill molar concentrations of either  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  or  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$ . Unlike  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ -Transporting ATPase it does not require the second divalent cation for its activity .

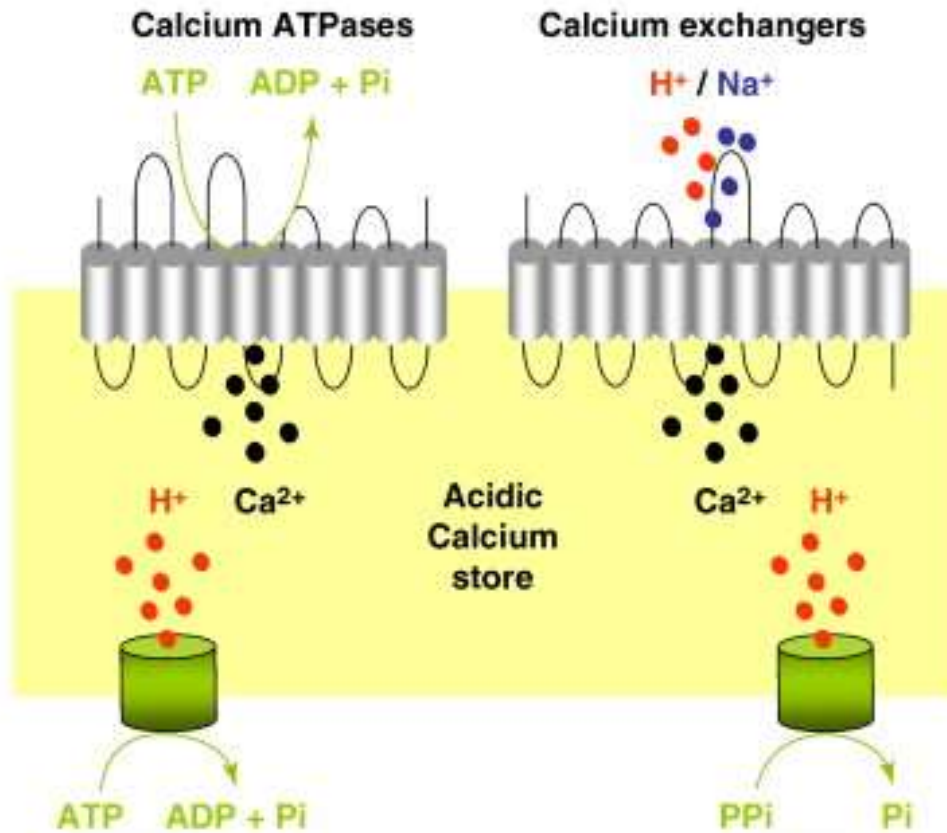
What is the function of the  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ -ATPase? •

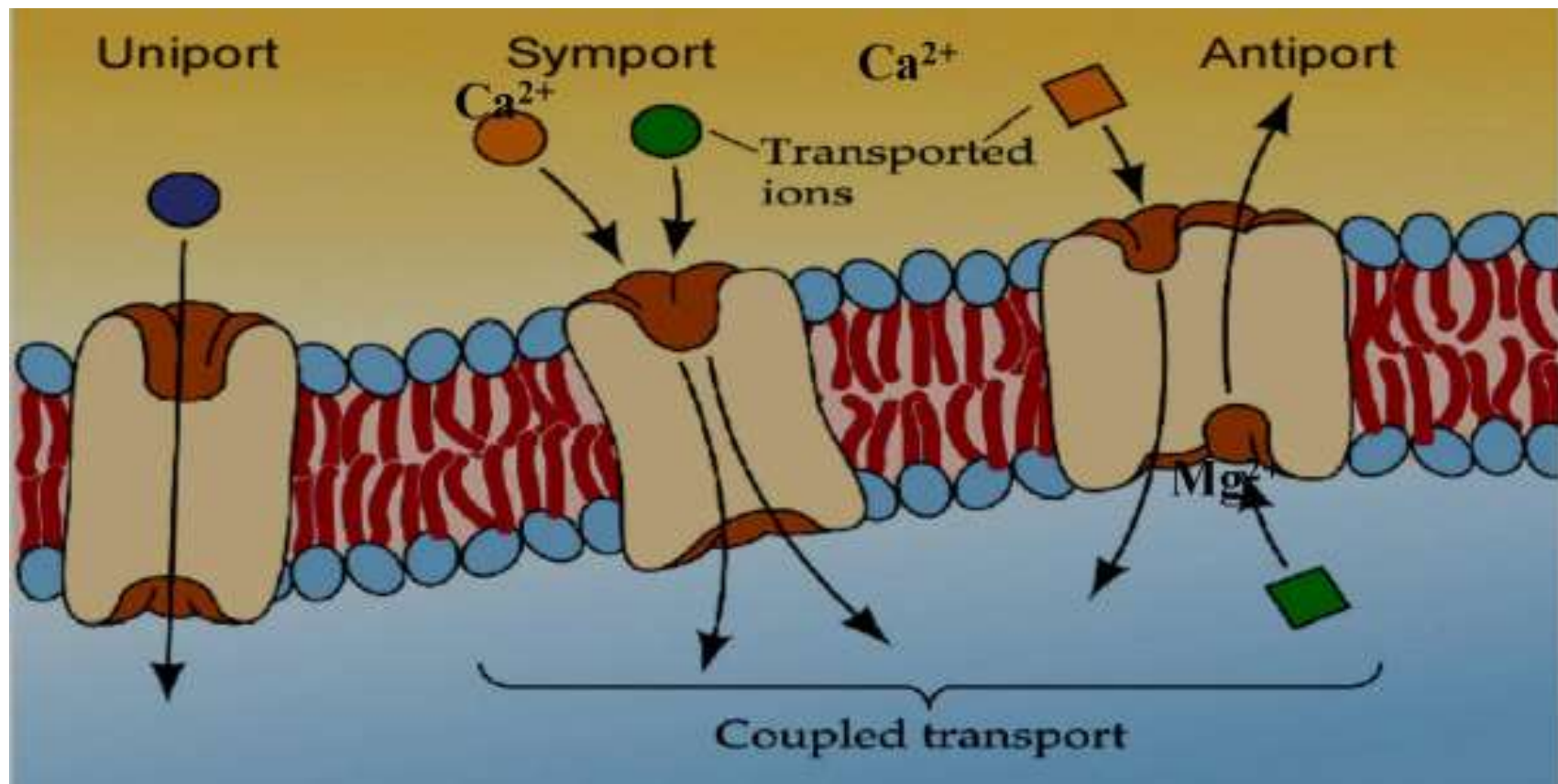
Its primary function is the regulation of •  
cytoplasmic  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  concentration. A key  
element in this regulation is the Sarcoplasmic  
and endoplasmic reticulum  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ -adenosine  
triphosphates (SERCA), which by depositing  
 $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  into the SR, induces and maintains  
relaxation

**ATPase** are a group of enzymes that couple ATP synthesis or hydrolysis to the transport of ions across membranes. A gradient of protons is the driving force for ATP synthesis, whereas the ATP hydrolysis releases the energy necessary for ion pumping.

Calcium ATPase are pumps found in the membranes of various organelles and in the plasma membrane, which transport calcium against its concentration gradient from the cytosol into the lumen or the [extracellular space](#). This process requires [hydrolysis](#) of ATP.

A calcium [ATPase](#) related to the plasma membrane type calcium ATPase in mammals is responsible for filling of these stores with calcium.





The knowledge of the enzyme  $\text{Ca}^{2+}\text{-Mg}^{2+}$  ATPase activity in the smooth muscles is important because it lacks of sarcoplasmic reticulum .This led to search to the regulation of calcium ions during the contraction and relaxation.

The  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ - $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  ATPase dependent role of sarcoplasmic reticulum plays an important role in promoting muscles relaxation by depositing  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  from cytoplasm.

Guideline of the  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  concentration in the plasma membrane is complicated for cell survival as impeding in  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  homeostasis, which can change cellular physiology and lead to cell death.



The activity of  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ - $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  ATPase in membrane vesicles isolated from membrane vesicles may play the role of sarcoplasmic reticulum since smooth muscles lack a well- distinguish sarcoplasmic reticulum that responsible of calcium regulation.

A general role of  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  is in controlling Of  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  homeostasis in the cell. The function Of plasma membrane is to pump and Maintain cellular calcium homeostasis.

$\text{Mg}^{2+}$  plays a central role in the excitation-contraction (E-C) coupling of muscle fibers of vertebrates. When the fibers are at rest (mill molar range for ATP, about 1 mM  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  and approximately 100 nM  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ),  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  exerts a powerful inhibitory action on the sarcoplasmic reticulum (SR)  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ -release channels as it binds to two major classes of cation modulatory sites: the 'Ca<sup>2+</sup>-activation' site which is only activated by  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ , but to which  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  also binds without activation, and the  $\text{Ca}^{2+}/\text{Mg}^{2+}$ -inhibitory site where both divalent ions can bind and inhibit the channel

The **Ca<sup>2+</sup>/Mg<sup>2+</sup> ATPase** is involved in the entry of Ca<sup>2+</sup> into the cardiac cells, the transport of Mg<sup>2+</sup> across the cell membrane, and extracellular ATP signal transduction.

The purified forms of the enzyme displayed the properties expected of the intact Ca<sup>2+</sup> pump; they had an appropriate (Ca<sup>2+</sup>-Mg<sup>2+</sup>)-ATPase activity which displayed a relatively low affinity for Ca<sup>2+</sup>.

Added calmodulin increased both the maximum rate and the affinity for Ca<sup>2+</sup> of the enzyme. Mg<sup>2+</sup> alone caused no significant ATP hydrolysis in the purified enzyme, indicating that the Mg<sup>2+</sup>-ATPase is a separate enzyme.

**Calmodulin** is a multifunctional intermediate calcium-binding messenger protein expressed in all eukaryotic cells. It is an intracellular target of the secondary messenger Ca<sup>2+</sup>, and the binding of Ca<sup>2+</sup> is required for the activation of calmodulin

The calmodulin-sensitive Ca<sup>2+</sup>-Mg<sup>2+</sup>-ATPase acts as a calcium pump in the red cell and other tissues. Its presence in the kidney distal tubule, a site where hormone-sensitive calcium transport is known to occur, raises the possibility that this enzyme may act as a hormone-regulated pump in this nephron segment