

## Two P domain potassium channels in GtoPdb v.2021.2

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### Abstract

The 4TM family of K channels mediate many of the background potassium currents observed in native cells. They are open across the physiological voltage-range and are regulated by a wide array of neurotransmitters and biochemical mediators. The pore-forming  $\alpha$ -subunit contains two pore loop (P) domains and two subunits assemble to form one ion conduction pathway lined by four P domains. It is important to note that single channels do not have two pores but that each subunit has two P domains in its primary sequence; hence the name two P domain, or  $K_{2P}$  channels (and not two-pore channels). Some of the  $K_{2P}$  subunits can form heterodimers across subfamilies (*e.g.*  $K_{2P}3.1$  with  $K_{2P}9.1$ ). The nomenclature of 4TM K channels in the literature is still a mixture of IUPHAR and common names. The suggested division into subfamilies, described in the [More detailed introduction](#), is based on similarities in both structural and functional properties within subfamilies and this explains the "common abbreviation" nomenclature in the tables below.

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