

Integrins (version 2019.4) in the IUPHAR/BPS Guide to Pharmacology Database

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Abstract

Integrins are unusual signalling proteins that function to signal both from the extracellular environment into the cell, but also from the cytoplasm to the external of the cell. The intracellular signalling cascades associated with integrin activation focus on protein kinase activities, such as focal adhesion kinase and Src. Based on this association between extracellular signals and intracellular protein kinase activity, we have chosen to include integrins in the 'Catalytic receptors' section of the database until more stringent criteria from NC-IUPHAR allows precise definition of their classification.

Integrins are heterodimeric entities, composed of α and β subunits, each 1TM proteins, which bind components of the extracellular matrix or counter-receptors expressed on other cells. One class of integrin contains an inserted domain (I) in its α subunit, and if present (in $\alpha 1$, $\alpha 2$, $\alpha 10$, $\alpha 11$, αD , αE , αL , αM and αX), this I domain contains the ligand binding site. All β subunits possess a similar I-like domain, which has the capacity to bind ligand, often recognising the RGD motif. The presence of an α subunit I domain precludes ligand binding through the β subunit. Integrins provide a link between ligand and the actin cytoskeleton (through typically short intracellular domains). Integrins bind several divalent cations, including a Mg^{2+} ion in the I or I-like domain that is essential for ligand binding. Other cation binding sites may regulate integrin activity or stabilise the 3D structure. Integrins regulate the activity of particular protein kinases, including focal adhesion kinase and integrin-linked kinase. Cellular activation regulates integrin ligand affinity *via* inside-out signalling and ligand binding to integrins can regulate cellular activity *via* outside-in signalling.

Several drugs that target integrins are in clinical use including: (1) [abciximab](#) ($\alpha IIb\beta 3$) for short term prevention of coronary thrombosis, (2) [vedolizumab](#) ($\alpha 4\beta 7$) to reduce gastrointestinal inflammation, and (3) [natalizumab](#) ($\alpha 4\beta 1$) in some cases of severe multiple sclerosis.

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Receptors and Subunits

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integrin, alpha IIb subunit (platelet glycoprotein IIb of IIb/IIIa complex, antigen CD41)

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integrin, alpha 3 subunit (antigen CD49C, alpha 3 subunit of VLA-3 receptor)

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integrin, alpha 4 subunit (antigen CD49D, alpha 4 subunit of VLA-4 receptor)

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integrin, alpha M subunit (complement component 3 receptor 3 subunit)
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integrin, beta 4 subunit
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integrin, beta 6 subunit
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integrin, beta 7 subunit
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integrin, beta 8 subunit
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