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## Chloride channels

Overview: Chloride channels are a functionally and structurally diverse group of anion-selective channels involved in processes including the regulation of the excitability of neurones, skeletal, cardiac and smooth muscle, cell volume regulation, transepithelial salt transport, the acidification of internal and extracellular compartments, the cell cycle and apoptosis (reviewed by Nilius and Droogmans, 2003). Excluding the transmitter-gated GABA and glycine receptors (see separate tables), well-characterized chloride channels can be classified as certain members of the voltage-sensitive CIC subfamily, calcium-activated channels, high- (maxi) conductance channels, the cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator (CFTR) and volume-regulated channels (Verkman and Galietta, 2009). No official recommendation exists regarding the classification of chloride channels. Functional chloride channels that have been cloned from, or characterized within, mammalian tissues are listed

CIC-family: The mammalian CIC family (reviewed by Nilius and Droogmans, 2003; Chen, 2005; Dutzler, 2007; Jentsch, 2008) contains nine members that fall into three groups; CIC-1, CIC-2, hCIC-Ka (rCIC-K1) and hCIC-Kb (rCIC-K2); CIC-3 to CIC-5, and CIC-6 and -7. CIC-1 and CIC-2 are plasma membrane chloride channels as are CIC-Ka and CIC-Kb (largely expressed in the kidney) when associated with barttin (ENSG00000162399), a 320 amino acid 2TM protein (Estévez *et al.*, 2001). The localization of CIC-3, CIC-4 and CIC-5 is likely to be predominantly intracellular, and recent reports indicate that CIC-4, CIC-5 and CIC-7 (and by inference CIC-3 and CIC-6) function as CI<sup>-</sup>/H<sup>+</sup> antiporters, rather than classical CI<sup>-</sup> channels (Picollo and Pusch, 2005; Scheel *et al.*, 2005; Graves *et al.*, 2008; reviewed by Miller, 2006; Pusch *et al.*, 2006). An intracellular location has been demonstrated for CIC-6 and CIC-7 (reviewed by Jentsch, 2008). Alternative splicing increases the structural diversity within the CIC family. The crystal structure of two bacterial CIC channels has been described (Dutzler *et al.*, 2002). Each CIC subunit, with a complex topology of 18 intramembrane segments, contributes a single pore to a dimeric 'double-barrelled' CIC channel that contains two independently gated pores, confirming the predictions of previous functional and structural investigations (reviewed by Chen, 2005; Pusch *et al.*, 2006; Dutzler, 2007; Jentsch, 2008). As found for CIC-4, CIC-5 and CIC-7, the prokaryotic CIC homologue (CIC-ec1) functions as an H<sup>+</sup>/CI<sup>-</sup> antiporter, rather than as an ion channel (Accardi and Miller, 2004).

Nomenclature CIC-1 CIC-2 CIC-Ka CIC-Kb Other names skeletal muscle Cl- channel CIC-K1 (rodent) CIC-K2 (rodent) ENSG00000114859 FNSG00000186544 ENSG00000186510 ENSG00000184908 Ensembl ID Activators Constitutively active Arachidonic acid, amidation, Constitutively active (when Constitutively active (when acid-activated omeprazole, co-expressed with barttin) co-expressed with barttin) lubiprostone (SPI-0211) Niflumic acid (10–1000 µM) Niflumic acid (10–1000 µM) **Blockers** S-(-)CPP, S-(-)CPB, 9-AC, GaTx2 (apparent  $K_D$  = 3-phenyl-CPP, DIDS, 3-phenyl-CPP, DIDS, 15 pM at -100 mV), NPPB, DPC, Cd<sup>2+</sup>, Zn<sup>2+</sup> Cd<sup>2+</sup>, Zn<sup>2+</sup>, niflumic acid benzofuran derivatives benzofuran derivatives  $\gamma = 2-3 \text{ pS};$ **Functional**  $\gamma = 1-1.5 \text{ pS};$  $\gamma$  = 26 pS; linear Bidirectional rectification; no voltage-activated by characteristics voltage-activated current-voltage relationship; time dependence; inhibited no time dependence; (depolarization) (by fast membrane by extracellular acidosis: gating of single protopores hyperpolarization by fast inhibited by extracellular potentiated by extracellular and a slower common gate protopore and slow acidosis; potentiated by allowing both pores to cooperative gating; extracellular Ca2+ channels only open open simultaneously); inwardly rectifying; negative to E<sub>CI</sub> resulting in incomplete deactivation steady-state inward upon repolarization, ATP rectification; activated by cell swelling, PKA and weak binding to cytoplasmic cystathionine extracellular acidosis; β-synthetase-related (CBS) potentiated by SGK1; domains inhibits CIC-1, inhibited by depending on its redox phosphorylation by status p34(cdc2)/cyclin B; cell surface expression and activity increased by association with Hsp90

Nomenclature Ensembl ID

Activators Blockers Functional characteristics CIC-3

ENSG00000109572

Insensitive to DIDS and NPPB
Possibly functions as a Cl<sup>-</sup>/H<sup>+</sup>
antiporter and ion channel;
pronounced outward rectification;
activity enhanced by CaM kinase II;
inhibited by intracellular Ins(3,4,5,6)P4
and extracellular acidosis

CIC-4

ENSG00000073464

Zn<sup>2+</sup>, Cd<sup>2+</sup> Cl<sup>-</sup>/H<sup>+</sup> antiporter (Picollo and Pusch, 2005; Scheel *et al.*, 2005); extreme outward rectification; voltage-dependent gating with midpoint of activation at positive voltages; inhibited by extracellular acidosis; ATP hydrolysis required for full activity CIC-5

ENSG00000171365

– Cl-

Cl<sup>-</sup>/H<sup>+</sup> antiporter (2Cl<sup>-</sup>: 1H<sup>+</sup>) (Picollo and Pusch, 2005; Scheel *et al.*, 2005; Zifarelli and Pusch, 2009); extreme outward rectification; voltage-dependent gating with midpoint of activation at positive voltages; potentiated and inhibited by intracellular and extracellular acidosis respectively

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CIC-6 Nomenclature CIC-7

Ensembl ID ENSG00000011021 ENSG00000103249

Activators Blockers

Functional characteristics By homology with CIC-7, a CI-/H+ antiporter Cl<sup>-</sup>/H<sup>+</sup> antiporter (2Cl<sup>-</sup>:1H<sup>+</sup>) (Graves et al. (2008)

CIC channels display the permeability sequence CI $^-$  > Br $^-$  > I $^-$  (at physiological pH); for CIC-3 I $^-$  > CI $^-$  has also been claimed. CIC-1 has significant opening probability at resting membrane potential, accounting for 75% of the membrane conductance at rest in skeletal muscle, and is important for stabilization of the membrane potential. S-(-)CPP, A-9-C and niflumic acid act intracellularly and exhibit a strongly voltagedependent block with strong inhibition at negative voltages and relief of block at depolarized potentials (Liantonio et al., 2007 and reviewed by Pusch et al., 2002). Inhibition of CIC-2 by the peptide GaTx2, from Leiurus quinquestriatus herbareus venom, is likely to occur through inhibition of channel gating, rather than direct open channel blockade (Thompson et al., 2009). Although CIC-2 can be activated by cell swelling, it does not correspond to the volume-regulated anion channel (VRAC) (see below). Alternative potential physiological functions for CIC-2 are reviewed by Planells-Cases and Jentsch (2009). Functional expression of human ClC-Ka and ClC-Kb requires the presence of barttin (Estévez et al., 2001; Scholl et al., 2006). The rodent homologue (CIC-K1) of CIC-Ka demonstrates limited expression as a homomer, but its function is enhanced by barttin that increases both channel opening probablility in the physiological range of potentials and single channel conductance (Estévez et al., 2001; Scholl et al., 2006). CIC-Ka is approximately fivefold to sixfold more sensitive to block by 3-phenyl-CPP and DIDS than CIC-Kb, while newly synthesized benzofuran derivatives showed the same blocking affinity (<10 µM) on both CLC-K isoforms (Liantonio et al., 2008). The biophysical and pharmacological properties of CIC-3 and the relationship of the protein to the endogenous VRAC (see Guan et al., 2006; Alekov and Fahlke, 2008) are controversial and further complicated by the possibility that CIC-3 may function as both a CI<sup>-</sup>/H<sup>+</sup> exchanger and an ion channel (Picollo and Pusch, 2005; Wang *et al.*, 2006; Alekov and Fahlke, 2008). The functional properties tabulated are those most consistent with the close structural relationship between CIC-3, CIC-4 and CIC-5. Activation of heterologously expressed CIC-3 by cell swelling in response to hypotonic solutions is disputed, as are many other aspects of its regulation. CIC-4 can operate in two transport modes: a slippage mode in which behaves as an ion channel and an exchanger mode in which unitary transport rate is 10-fold lower (Alekov and Fahlke, 2009). CIC-7 associates with a  $\beta$  subunit, Ostm1, which increases the stability of the former (Lange et al., 2006).

CFTR: CFTR, a 12TM, ABC type protein, is a cAMP-regulated epithelial cell membrane Cl<sup>-</sup> channel involved in normal fluid transport across various epithelia. The most common mutation in CFTR (i.e. the deletion mutant, ΔF508) results in impaired trafficking of CFTR and reduces its incorporation into the plasma membrane causing cystic fibrosis. Channels carrying the ΔF508 mutation that do traffic to the plasma membrane demonstrate gating defects. In addition to acting as an anion channel per se, CFTR may act as a regulator of several other conductances including inhibition of the epithelial Na channel (ENaC), calcium-activated chloride channels (CaCC) and VRAC, activation of the outwardly rectifying chloride channel (ORCC), and enhancement of the sulphonylurea sensitivity of the renal outer medullary potassium channel (ROMK2) (reviewed by Nilius and Droogmans, 2003). CFTR also regulates TRPV4, which provides the Ca<sup>2+</sup> signal for regulatory volume decrease (RVD) in airway epithelia (Arniges et al., 2004). The activities of CFTR and the chloride-bicarbonate exchangers SLC26A3 (DRA) and SLC26A6 (PAT1) are mutually enhanced by a physical association between the regulatory (R) domain of CFTR and the STAS domain of the SCL26 transporters, an effect facilitated by PKA-mediated phosphorylation of the R domain of CFTR (Ko et al., 2004).

Nomenclature **CFTR** Other names ABCC7

characteristics

ENSG00000001626 Ensembl ID

VX-770, VX-532, flavones (e.g. UCCF-339, UCCF-029, apigenin, genistein), benzimidazolones (e.g. UCCF-853, NS004), **Potentiators** 

benzoquinolines (e.g. CBIQ), 1,4-dihydropyridines (e.g. felopidine, nimodipine), capsaicin, phenylglycines (e.g.

2-[(2-1*H*-indol-3-yl-acetyl)-methylamino]-*N*-(4-isopropylphenyl)-2-phenylacetamide), sulfonamides [e.g.

6-(ethylphenylsulfamoyl)-4-oxo-1,4-dihydroguinoline-3-carboxylic acid cycloheptylamide]

GaTx-1, GlyH-101 (extracellular application causes channel block), CFTR<sub>inh</sub>-172 (intracellular application prolongs mean Blockers

closed time), malonic acid hydrazide conjugates (see Verkman and Galietta, 2009), glibenclamide (non-selective)

**Functional**  $\gamma$  = 6–10 pS; permeability sequence = Br  $\geq$  Cl > l > F $_{\sim}$  ( $P/P_{Cl}$  = 0.1–0.85); slight outward rectification; phosphorylation

necessary for activation by ATP binding at binding nucleotide binding domains (NBD)1 and 2; positively regulated by PKC

and PKGII (tissue specific); regulated by several interacting proteins including syntaxin 1A, Munc18 and PDZ domain

proteins such as NHERF (EBP50) and CAP70

 $Corrector\ compounds\ that\ aid\ the\ folding\ of\ \Delta F508CFTR\ to\ increase\ the\ amount\ of\ protein\ expressed\ and\ potentially\ delivered\ to\ the\ cell\ surface$ include VX-532 (which is also a potentiator), Corr-3a and Corr-4a [see Verkman and Galietta (2009) for details and structures]. Inhibition of CFTR by intracellular application of the peptide GaTx1, from Leiurus quinquestriatus herbareus venom, occurs preferentially for the closed state of the channel (Fuller et al., 2007). CFTR contains two cytoplasmic nucleotide binding domains (NBDs) that bind ATP. A single open-closing cycle is hypothesized to involve, in sequence: binding of ATP at the N-terminal NBD1, ATP binding to the C-terminal NBD2 leading to the formation of an intramolecular NBD1-NBD2 dimer associated with the open state, and subsequent ATP hydrolysis at NBD2 facilitating dissociation of the dimer and channel closing, and the initiation of a new gating cycle (Aleksandrov et al., 2007; Muallem and Vergani, 2009). Phosphorylation by PKA at sites within a cytoplasmic regulatory (R) domain facilitates the interaction of the two NBD domains. PKC (and PKGII within intestinal epithelial cells via guanylin-stimulated cGMP formation) positively regulate CFTR activity.

Calcium-activated chloride channel: Chloride channels activated by intracellular calcium (CaCC) are widely expressed in excitable and non-excitable cells where they perform diverse functions (Hartzell et al., 2005). The molecular nature of CaCC is unclear with both CLCA genes and BEST genes having been considered as likely candidates (Loewen and Forsythe, 2005; Hartzell et al., 2008). It is now accepted that CLCA expression products are unlikely to form channels per se and probably function as cell adhesion proteins, or are secreted (Patel et al., 2009). The bestrophins encoded by genes hbest1-4 have a topology more consistent with ion channels (see Hartzell et al., 2008) and form chloride channels S132 Chloride channels Alexander et al

that are activated by physiological concentrations of  $Ca^{2+}$ , but whether such activation is direct is not known (Hartzell *et al.*, 2008). However, currents generated by best overexpression do not resemble native CaCC currents. Recently, a new gene family, TMEM16 (anoctamin-1), has been identified that produces  $Ca^{2+}$ -activated  $Cl^-$  currents with kinetics similar to native CaCC currents recorded from different cell types (Caputo *et al.*, 2008; Schroeder *et al.*, 2008; Yang *et al.*, 2008; Pifferi *et al.*, 2009; Rock *et al.*, 2009). Knockout of TMEM16 abolishes CaCC in several epithelial tissues (Yang *et al.*, 2008)

Nomenclature CaCC

Other names Ca<sup>2+</sup>-activated Cl<sup>-</sup> channel

Activators Intracellular Ca2-

Blockers Niflumic acid, flufenamic acid, DCDPC, DIDS, SITS, NPPB, A-9-C, Ins(3,4,5,6)P4, mibefradil, fluoxetine

Functional  $\gamma = 0.5-5$  pS; permeability sequence, SCN<sup>-</sup> > NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> > I<sup>-</sup> > Br<sup>-</sup> > Cl<sup>-</sup> > F<sup>-</sup>; relative permeability of SCN<sup>-</sup> : Cl<sup>-</sup> ~ 8. I<sup>-</sup> : Cl<sup>-</sup> ~ 3, characteristics aspartate : Cl<sup>-</sup> ~ 0.15, outward rectification (decreased by increasing [Ca<sup>2+</sup>]<sub>i</sub>); sensitivity to activation by [Ca<sup>2+</sup>]<sub>i</sub> decreased aspartate : Cl<sup>-</sup> ~ 0.15, outward rectification (decreased by increasing [Ca<sup>2+</sup>]<sub>i</sub>);

aspartate:  $Cl^- \sim 0.15$ , outward rectification (decreased by increasing  $[Ca^{2+}]_i$ ); sensitivity to activation by  $[Ca^{2+}]_i$  decreased at hyperpolarized potentials; slow activation at positive potentials (accelerated by increasing  $[Ca^{2+}]_i$ ); rapid deactivation at negative potentials, deactivation kinetics modulated by anions binding to an external site; modulated by redox status

Blockade of  $I_{Cl(Ca)}$  by niflumic acid, DIDS and 9-AC is voltage-dependent whereas block by NPPB is voltage-independent (Hartzell *et al.*, 2005). Extracellular niflumic acid, DCDPC and A-9-C (but not DIDS) exert a complex effect upon  $I_{Cl(Ca)}$  in vascular smooth muscle, enhancing and inhibiting inwardly and outwardly directed currents in a manner-dependent upon  $[Ca^{2+}]_i$  (see Leblanc *et al.*, 2005 for summary). Considerable crossover in pharmacology with large-conductance  $Ca^{2+}$ -activated  $K^+$  channels also exists (see Greenwood and Leblanc, 2007 for overview). Two novel compounds,  $CaCC_{inh}$ -A01 and  $CaCC_{inh}$ -B01, have recently been identified as blockers of CaCC in T84 human intestinal epithelial cells (see De La Fuente *et al.*, 2008 for structures). CaMKII modulates CaCC in a tissue-dependent manner (reviewed by Hartzell *et al.*, 2005; Leblanc *et al.*, 2005). CaMKII inhibitors block activation of  $I_{Cl(Ca)}$  in  $T_{84}$  cells but have no effect in parotid acinar cells. In tracheal and arterial smooth muscle cells, but not portal vein myocytes, inhibition of CaMKII reduces inactivation of  $I_{Cl(Ca)}$ . Intracellular  $Ins(3,4,5,6)P_4$  may act as an endogenous negative regulator of CaCC channels activated by  $Ca^{2+}$ , or CaMKII. Smooth muscle CaCC are also regulated positively by  $Ca^{2+}$ -dependent phosphatase, calcineurin (see Leblanc *et al.*, 2005 for summary).

Maxi chloride channel: Maxi Cl<sup>-</sup> channels are high-conductance, anion-selective, channels initially characterized in skeletal muscle and subsequently found in many cell types including neurones, glia, cardiac muscle, lymphocytes, secreting and absorbing epithelia, macula densa cells of the kidney and human placenta syncytiotrophoblasts (Sabirov and Okada, 2009). The physiological significance of the maxi Cl<sup>-</sup> channel is uncertain, but roles in cell volume regulation and apoptosis have been claimed. Evidence suggests a role for maxi Cl<sup>-</sup> channels as a conductive pathway in the swelling-induced release of ATP from mouse mammary C127i cells that may be important for autocrine and paracrine signalling by purines (Sabirov *et al.*, 2001; Dutta *et al.*, 2002). A similar channel mediates ATP release from macula densa cells within the thick ascending of the loop of Henle in response to changes in luminal NaCl concentration (Bell *et al.*, 2003). A family of human high-conductance Cl<sup>-</sup> channels (TTYH1-3) that resemble Maxi Cl<sup>-</sup> channels has been cloned (Suzuki and Mizuno, 2004), but alternatively, Maxi Cl<sup>-</sup> channels have also been suggested to correspond to the voltage-dependent anion channel, VDAC, expressed at the plasma membrane (Bahamonde *et al.*, 2003; Okada *et al.*, 2004).

Nomenclature Maxi Cl-

Other names High-conductance anion channel, volume- and voltage-dependent ATP-conductive large-conductance (VDACL) anion

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Activators G protein-coupled receptors, cytosolic GTPγS, extracellular triphenylethylene anti-oestrogens (tamoxifen, toremifine),

extracellular chlorpromazine and triflupromazine, cell swelling

Blockers SITS, DIDS, NPPB, DPC, intracellular arachidonic acid, extracellular Zn<sup>2+</sup> and Gd<sup>3+</sup>

Functional  $\gamma = 280-430$  pS (main state); permeability sequence, I > Br > Cl > F > gluconate ( $P_{Cl}P_{Cl} = \sim 1.5$ ); ATP is a voltage-dependent characteristics permeant blocker of single channel activity ( $P_{ATP}/P_{Cl} = 0.08-0.1$ ); channel activity increased by patch-excision; channel

opening probability (at steady state) maximal within approximately  $\pm 20$  mV of 0 mV, opening probability decreased at more negative and (commonly) positive potentials yielding a bell-shaped curve; channel conductance and opening

probability regulated by annexin 6

Differing ionic conditions may contribute to variable estimates of  $\gamma$  reported in the literature. Inhibition by arachinonic acid (and cis-unsaturated fatty acids) is voltage-independent, occurs at an intracellular site and involves both channel shut down ( $K_d = 4-5 \mu M$ ) and a reduction of  $\gamma$  ( $K_d = 13-14 \mu M$ ). Blockade of channel activity by SITS, DIDS,  $Gd^{3+}$  and arachidonic acid is paralleled by decreased swelling-induced release of ATP (Sabirov *et al.*, 2001); (Dutta *et al.*, 2002). Channel activation by anti-oestrogens in whole cell recordings requires the presence of intracellular nucleotides and is prevented by pretreatment with  $17\beta$ -oestradiol, dibutryl cAMP, or intracellular dialysis with GDP $\beta$ S (Diaz *et al.*, 2001). Activation by tamoxifen is suppressed by low concentrations of okadaic acid, suggesting that a dephosphorylation event by protein phosphatase PP2A occurs in the activation pathway (Diaz *et al.*, 2001). In contrast,  $17\beta$ -estradiol and tamoxifen appear to directly inhibit the maxi Cl<sup>-</sup> channel of human placenta reconstituted into giant liposomes and recorded in excised patches (Riquelme, 2009).

Volume-regulated chloride channels: Volume-activated chloride channels (also termed VSOAC, volume-sensitive organic osmolyte/anion channel; VRC, volume-regulated channel and VSOR, volume expansion-sensing outwardly rectifying anion channel) participate in RVD in response to cell swelling. VRAC may also be important for several other processes including the regulation of membrane excitability, transcellular Cl<sup>-</sup> transport, angiogenesis, cell proliferation, necrosis, apoptosis and glutamate release from astrocytes (reviewed by Nilius and Droogmans, 2003; Mulligan and MacVicar, 2006; Okada *et al.*, 2009). VRAC may not be a single entity, but may instead represent a number of different channels that are expressed to a variable extent in different tissues and are differentially activated by cell swelling. In addition to ClC-3 expression products (see above) several former VRAC candidates including *MDR1* P-glycoprotein, Icln, Band 3 anion exchanger and phospholemman are also no longer considered likely to fulfil this function (see reviews by d'Anglemont de Tassigny *et al.*, 2003; Nilius and Droogmans, 2003; Sardini *et al.*, 2003).

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Nomenclature VRAC (volume-regulated anion channel), VSOAC (volume-sensitive organic osmolyte/anion channel), VRC (volume-regulated

channel), VSOR (volume expansion-sensing outwardly rectifying anion channel)

Activators cell swelling; low intracellular ionic strength; GTPγS

Blockers NS3728, DCPIB, clomiphene, nafoxidine, mefloquine, tamoxifen, gossypol, arachidonic acid, mibefradil, NPPB, quinine,

quinidine, chromones NDGA, A-9-C, DIDS, 1,9-dideoxyforskolin, oxalon dye (diBA-(5)-C4), extracellular nucleotides,

nucleoside analogues, intracellular Mg<sup>2+</sup>

Functional characteristics

 $\gamma$  = 10–20 pS (negative potentials), 50–90 pS (positive potentials); permeability sequence SCN > I > NO<sup>3-</sup> >Br<sup>-</sup> > Cl<sup>-</sup> > F<sup>-</sup> > gluconate; outward rectification due to voltage dependence of  $\gamma$ , inactivates at positive potentials in many, but not all, cell types; time-dependent inactivation at positive potentials; intracellular indicates sensitivity to cell swelling and

rate of channel activation; rate of swelling-induced activation is modulated by intracellular ATP concentration; ATP dependence is independent of hydrolysis and modulated by rate of cell swelling; inhibited by increased intracellular free Mg<sup>2+</sup> concentration; swelling-induced activation of several intracellular signalling cascades may be permissive of, but not essential to, the activation of VRAC including: the Rho-Rho kinase-MLCK; Ras-Raf-MEK-ERK; PIK3-NOX-H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> and

 $Src-PLC\gamma-Ca^{2+}$  pathways; regulation by PKC $\alpha$  required for optimal activity; cholesterol depletion enhances activity; activated

by direct stretch of \$1-integrin

In addition to conducting monovalent anions, in many cell types the activation of VRAC by a hypotonic stimulus can allow the efflux of organic osmolytes such as amino acids and polyols that may contribute to RVD.

Other chloride channels: In addition to some intracellular chloride channels that are not considered here, plasma membrane channels other than those listed have been functionally described. Many cells and tissues contain ORCC that may correspond to VRAC active under isotonic conditions. A cAMP-activated Cl<sup>-</sup> channel that does not correspond to CFTR has been described in intestinal Paneth cells (Tsumura *et al.*, 1998). A Cl channel activated by cGMP with a dependence on raised intracellular Ca<sup>2+</sup> has been recorded in various vascular smooth muscle cells types, which has a pharmacology very different from the 'conventional' CaCC (see Matchkov *et al.*, 2004; Piper and Large, 2004). A proton-activated, outwardly rectifying anion channel has also been described (Lambert and Oberwinkler, 2005).

Abbreviations: A-9-C, anthracene-9-carboxylic acid; CBIQ, 4-chlorobenzo[F]isoquinoline; CFTR<sub>inh</sub>-172, 3-[(3-trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-5-[(4-carboxyphenyl)methylene]-2-thioxo-4-thiazolidinone; DCPIB, 4-(2-butyl-6,7-dichlor-2-cyclopentyl-indan-1-on-5-yl) oxybutyric acid; diBA-(5)-C4, bis-(1,3-dibutylbarbituric acid)pentamethine oxanol; DIDS, 4,4'-diisothiocyanostilbene-2,2'-disulphonic acid; DNDS, 4,4'-diinitrostilbene-2,2'-disulphonic acid; GlyH-101, N-(2-naphthalenyl)-[(3,5-dibromo-2,4-dihydroxyphenyl)methylene]glycine hydrazide; NDGA, nordihydroguiaretic acid; NPA, N-phenylanthracilic acid; DPC, diphenylamine carboxylic acid; DPDPC, dichloro-diphenylamine 2-carboxylic acid; NPPB, 5-nitro-2-(3-phenylpropylamino)benzoic acid; NS004, 5-trifluoromethyl-(5-chloro-2-hydroxyphenyl)-1,3-dihydro-2H-benzimidazole-2-one; NS3728, N-[3,5-bis(trifluromethyl)-phenyl]-N'[4-bromo-2-(1H-tetrazol-5yl)-phenyl]urea; S-(-)CPP, S-(-)2-(4-chlorophenoxy)propionic acid; S-(-)CPB, S-(-)2-(4-chlorophenoxy)butyric acid; SITS, 4'-isothiocyanostilbene-2,2'-disulphonic acid; UCCF-029, 2-(4-pyridinium)benzo[h]4H-chromen-4-one bisulfate; UCCF-180, 3-(3-butynyl)-5-methoxy-1-phenylpyrazole-4-carbaldehyde; UCCF-853, 1-(3-chlorophenyl)-5-trifluoromethyl-3-hydroxybenzimidazol-2-one, VX-532, 4-methyl-2-(5-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-3-yl)-phenol; VX-770, N-(2,4-Di-tert-butyl-5-hydroxyphenyl)-1,4-dihydro-4-oxoquinoline-3-carboxamide

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