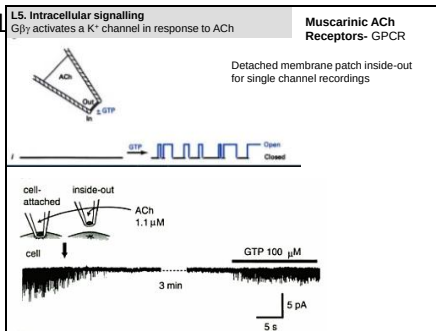


cAMP (messenger) shown by if you inject cAMP into cell in the absence of neurotransmitter, get same effect.

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If you put neurotransmitter in patch can make case for direct signalling- they can't diffuse away from membrane.

ACh activates a muscarinic GPCR also activates a ligand-gated ion channel nicotinic ACh receptor. Which allows us to show neurotransmitter is quantitative.

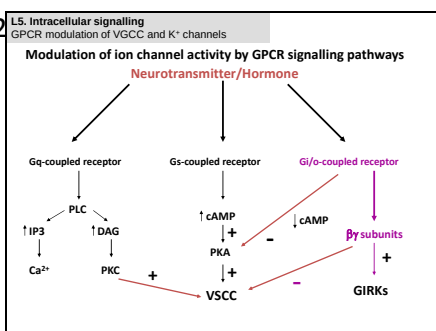
Put ACh inside the patch pipette and pull patch away from rest of cell, if you get activity under these conditions you know all the molecules needed to activate the receptors in the patch are already in the patch.

Recording potassium channels (reflections = channel opening). Put on cell-attached patch, apply ACh and pull away from cell, the current runs down because as the subunit is hydrolysed by GTPase and there's no GTP available as you're pulling it away from cytoplasmic content. This is an inside-out patch, the inside of the cell is facing out to the bath solution. If you give GTP back you get the channel activity back. We know there's no secondary messenger involved!

Membrane-delimited regulation- all the regulatory proteins are in the membrane!

If you apply beta gamma subunits get same effect.

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VSCC voltage-sensitive calcium channel

Increase cAMP increases PKA which phosphorylates channel.

Example: Gi/o-coupled receptor (muscarinic receptor) which activates the channels which are called G-protein-coupled inwardly-rectifying **potassium channel** via a Gi-coupled receptor. α subunit usually cAMP.

So beta gamma subunits are activating calcium channels

Reverse can also happen the beta gamma subunits can activate K channels downstream of Gi/o