

“ La mayoría de las ideas fundamentales de la ciencia son esencialmente sencillas y por regla general pueden ser expresadas en un lenguaje comprensible para todos”

Albert Einstein





CAPACITACIÓN ESPERMÁTICA EN EQUINOS: BASES MOLECULARES, NUEVOS MÉTODOS DE DETECCIÓN Y EFECTOS SOBRE LA FERTILIDAD

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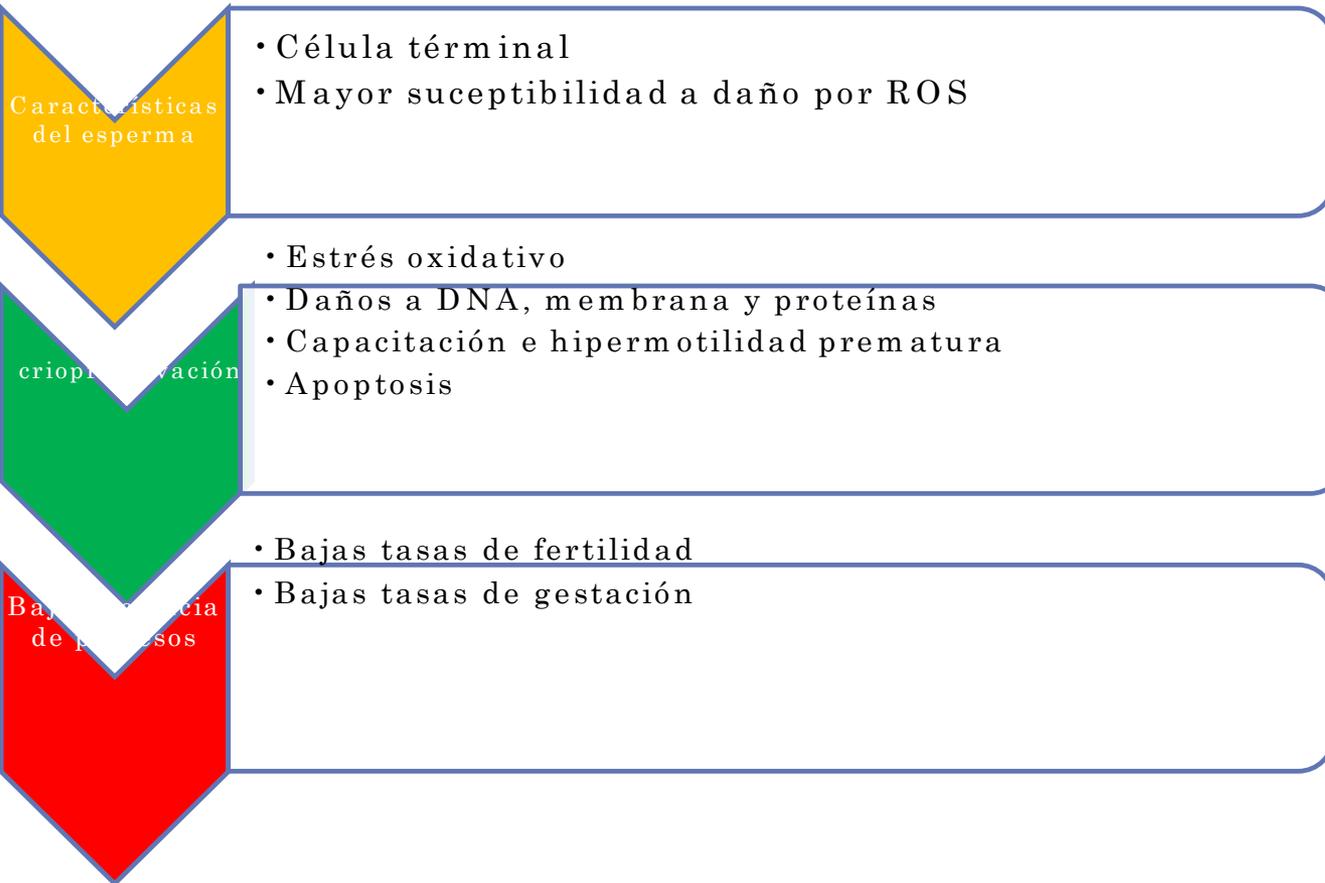
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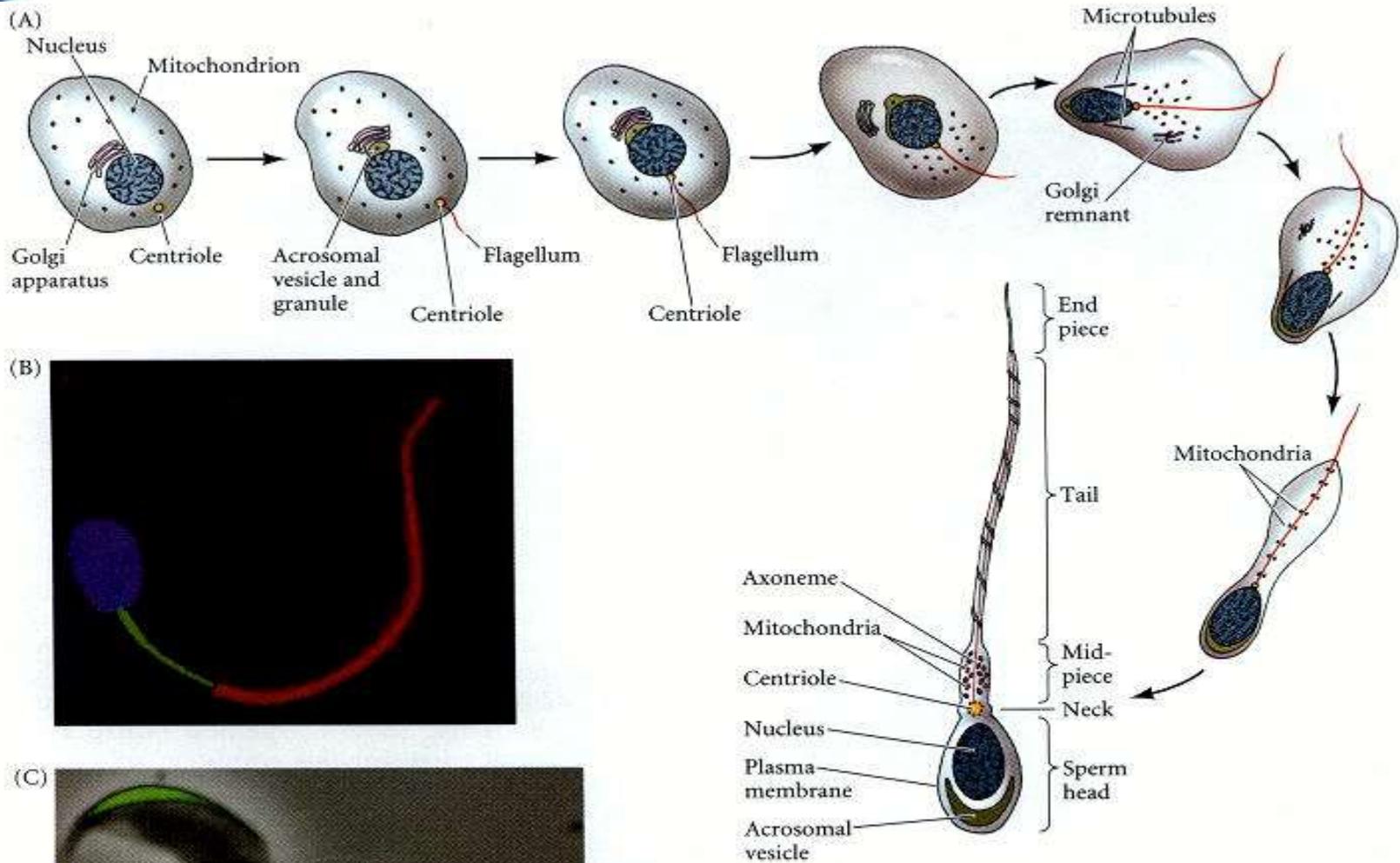
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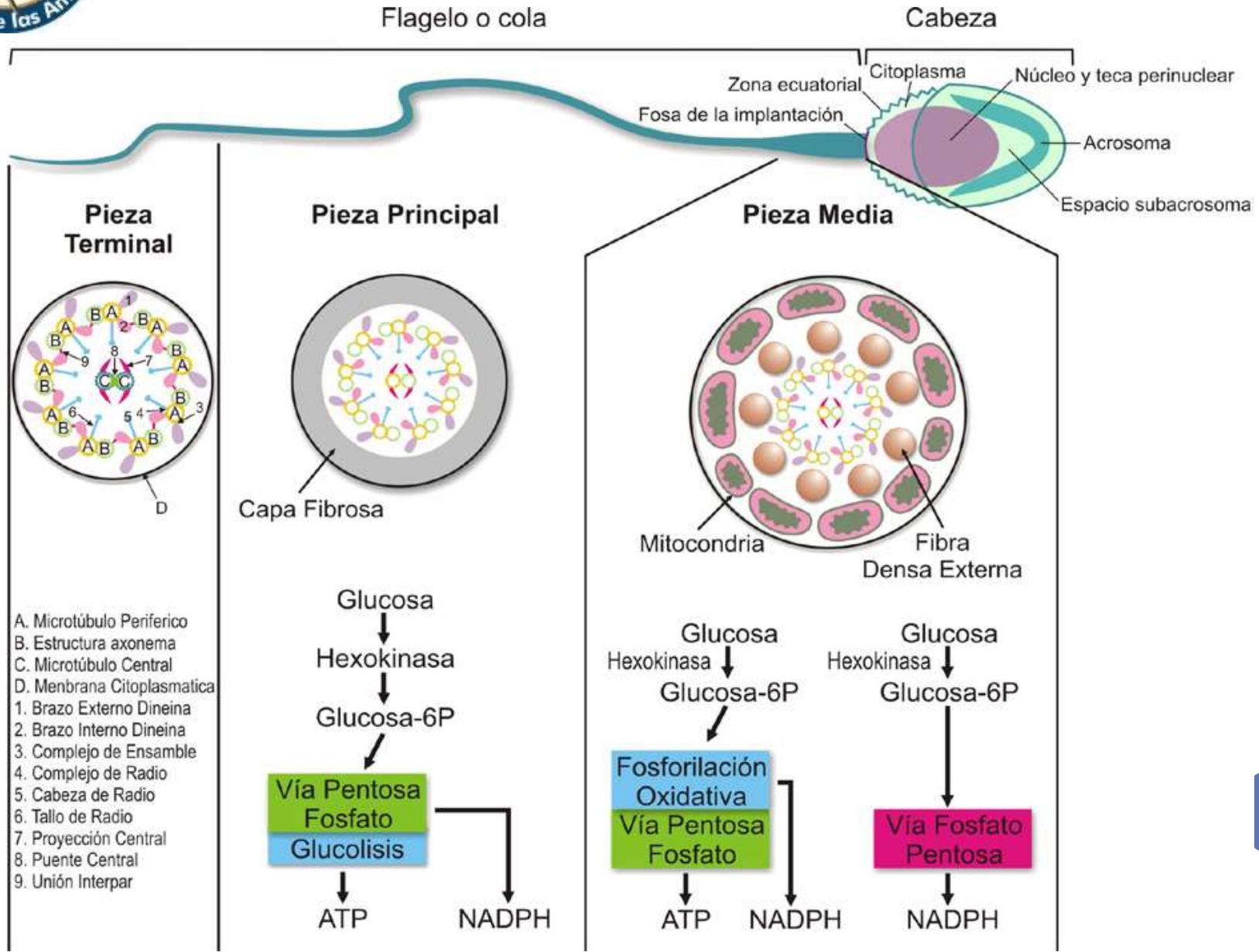
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1. Maduración epididimal
2. Atravesar el útero y alcanzar el oviducto.
3. **Capacitarse.**
4. Unirse al oocito.
5. Sufrir reacción acrosomal.
6. Atravesar la zona pelúcida y lograr la fecundación.

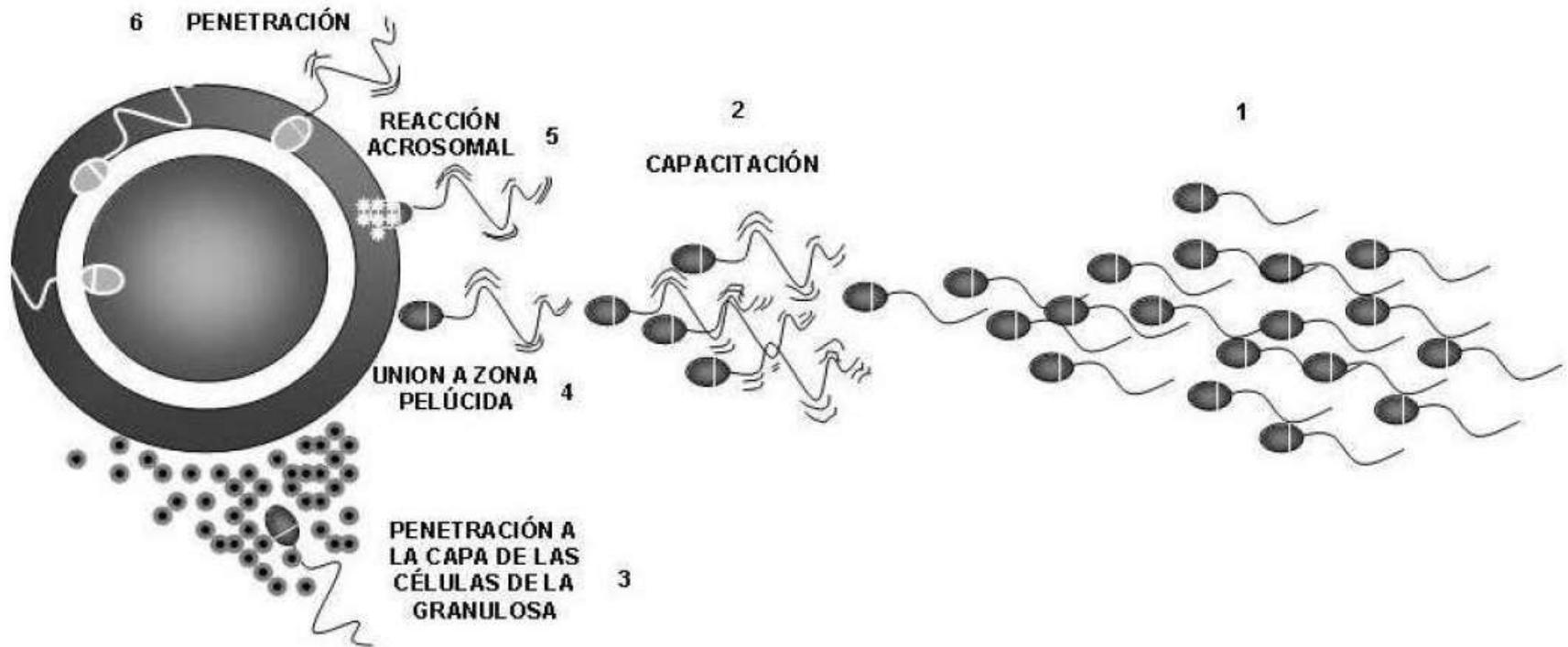


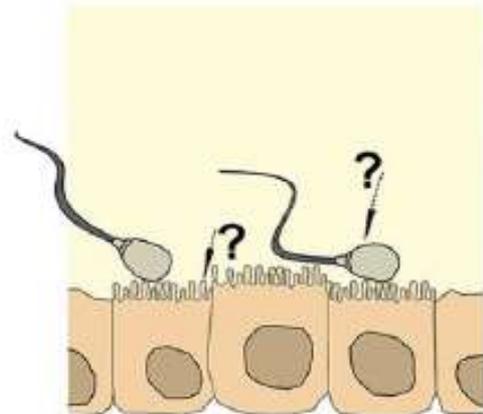
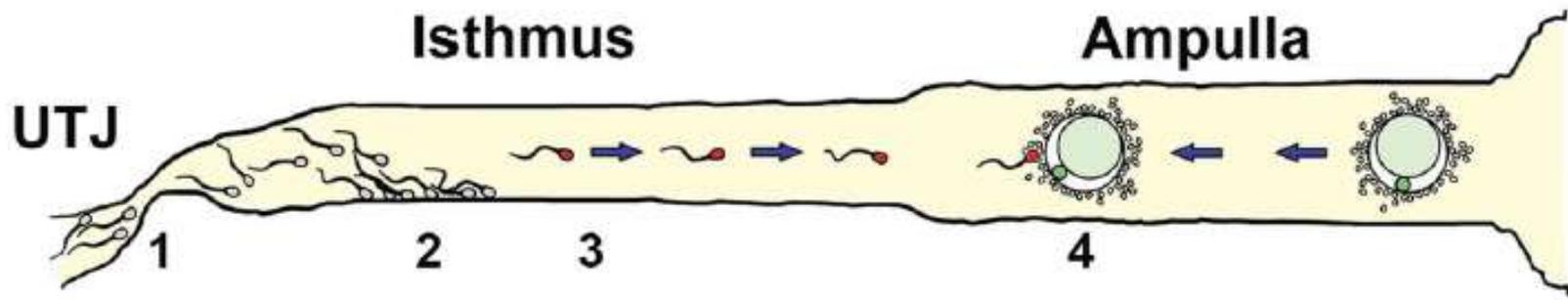
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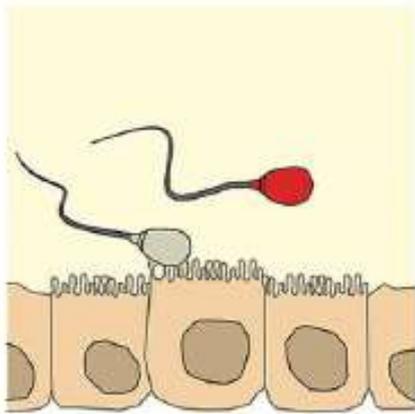
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INTERACCIÓN OVOCITO-ESPERMATOZOIDE

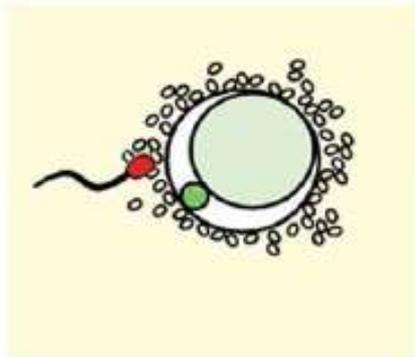




Sperm-Oviduct interaction

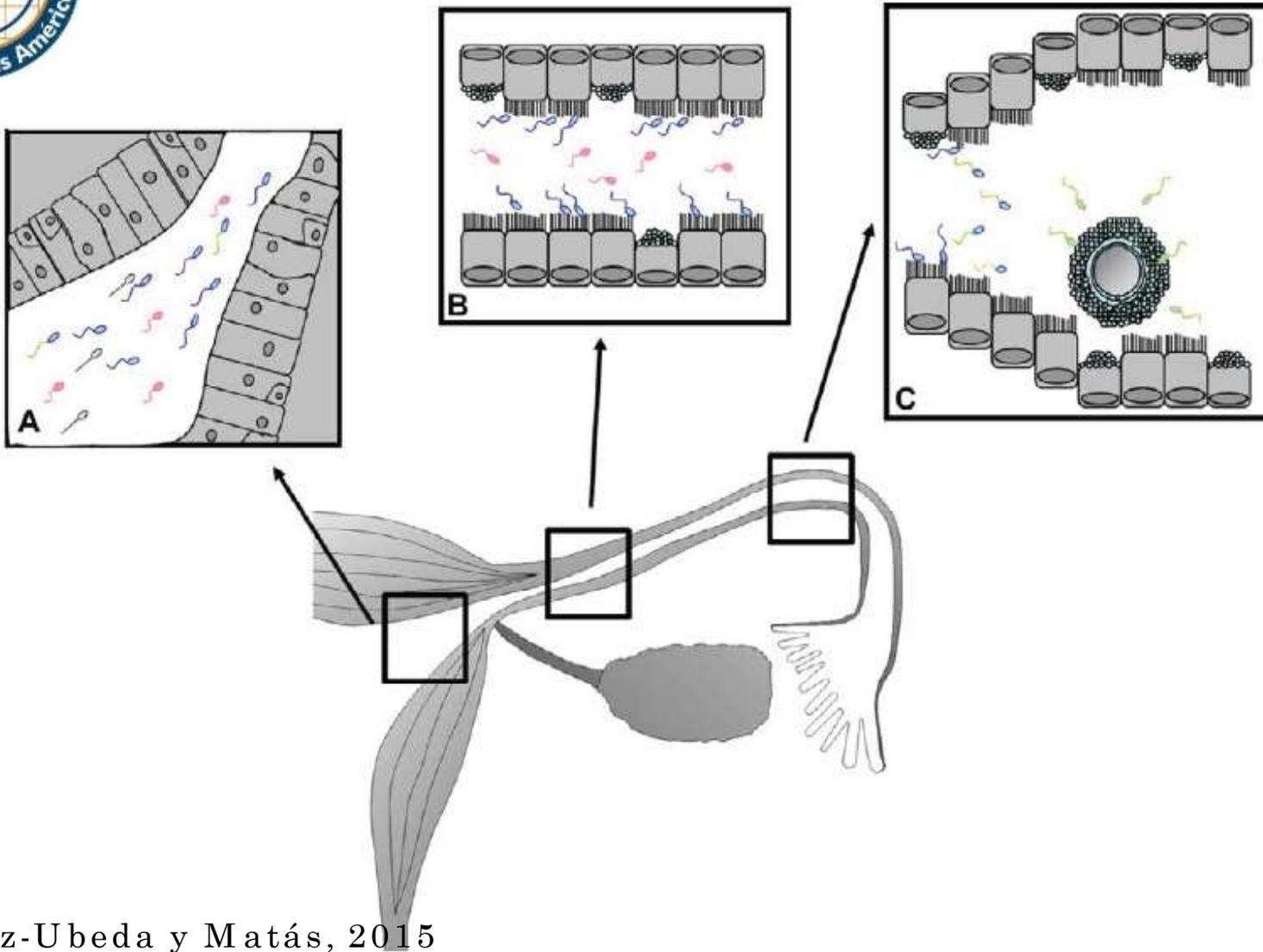


Sperm capacitation and release



Acrosome reaction and fertilization







UN POCO DE HISTORIA

- Chang y Austin 1951
- Desarrollo de la FIV
- Conejos y ratas (espermias eyaculados y epididimarios, antes y después de la ovulación)
- Austin → término capacitación





Dr Min Chueh Chang



the sperm must undergo physiological changes in the female tract to acquire the ability to penetrate the egg





CAPACITACIÓN ESPERMÁTICA

Chang MC. 1951. Fertilizing capacity of spermatozoa deposited into the fallopian tubes. *Nature*. 168:697-698.

Chang MC. 1959. Fertilization of rabbit ova in vitro. *Nature*. 184(Suppl 7):466-467.

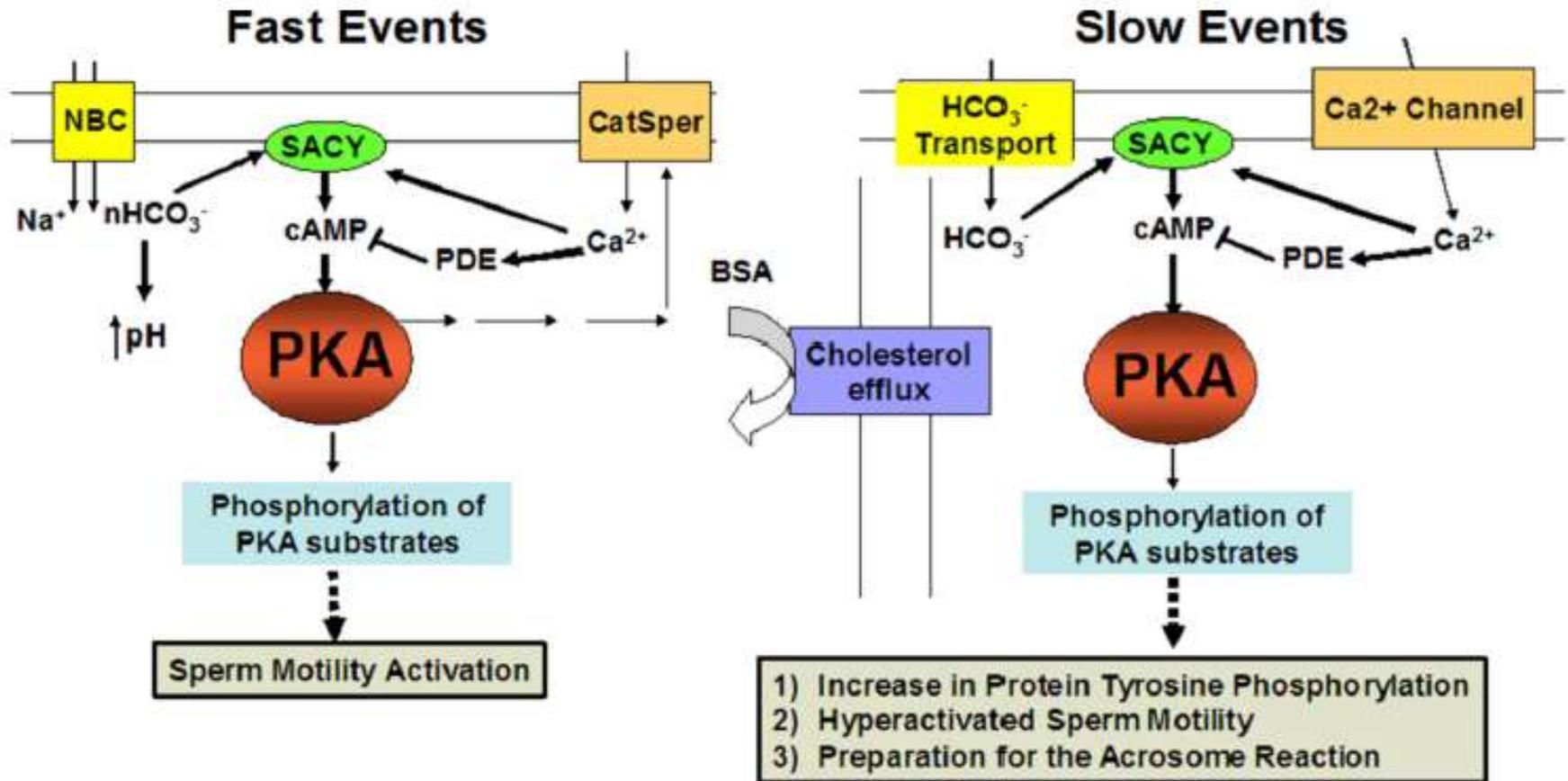
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Austin CR. 1951. Observations on the penetration of the sperm in the mammalian egg. *Aust J Sci Res B*. 4:581-596.

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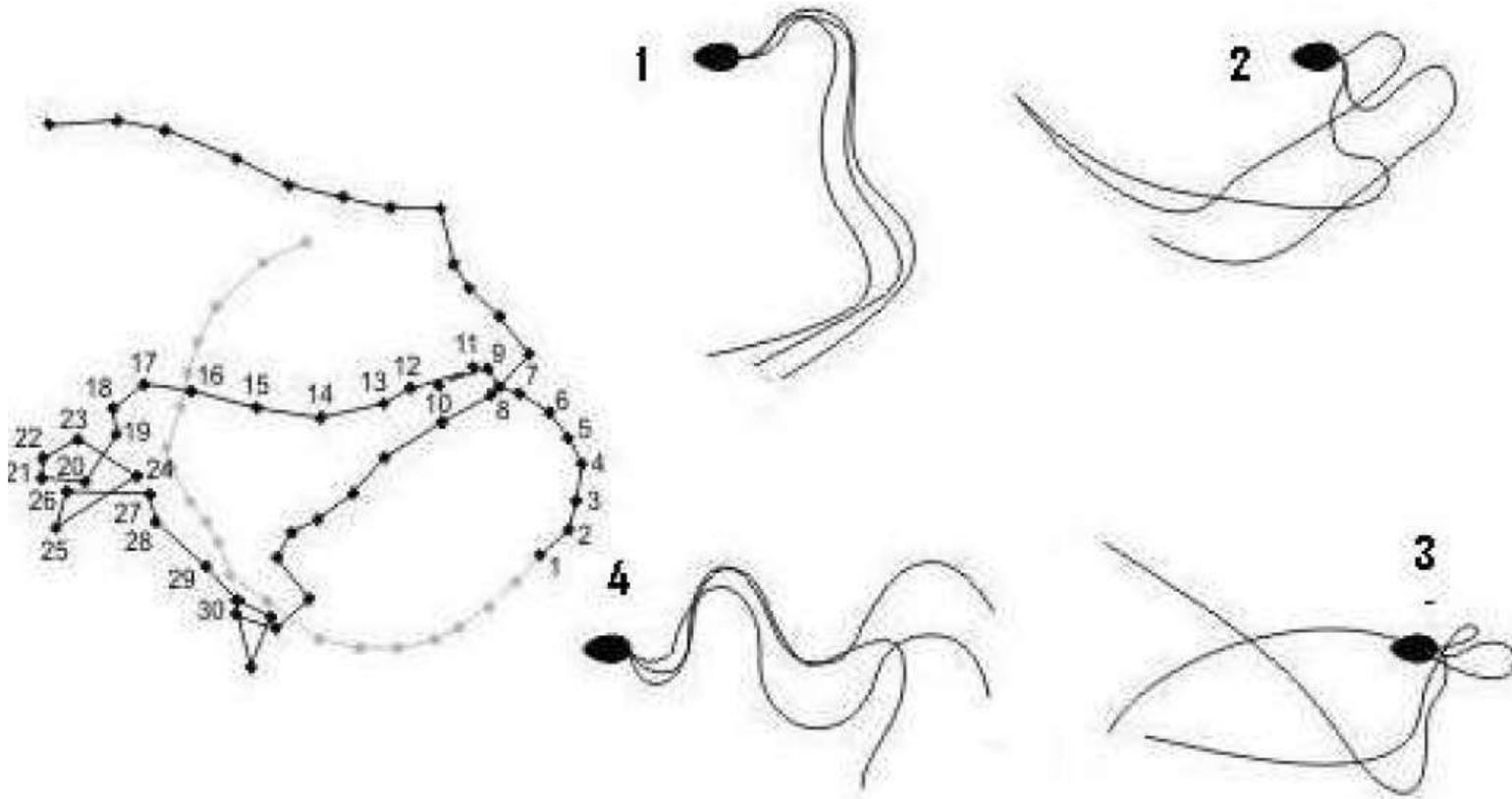
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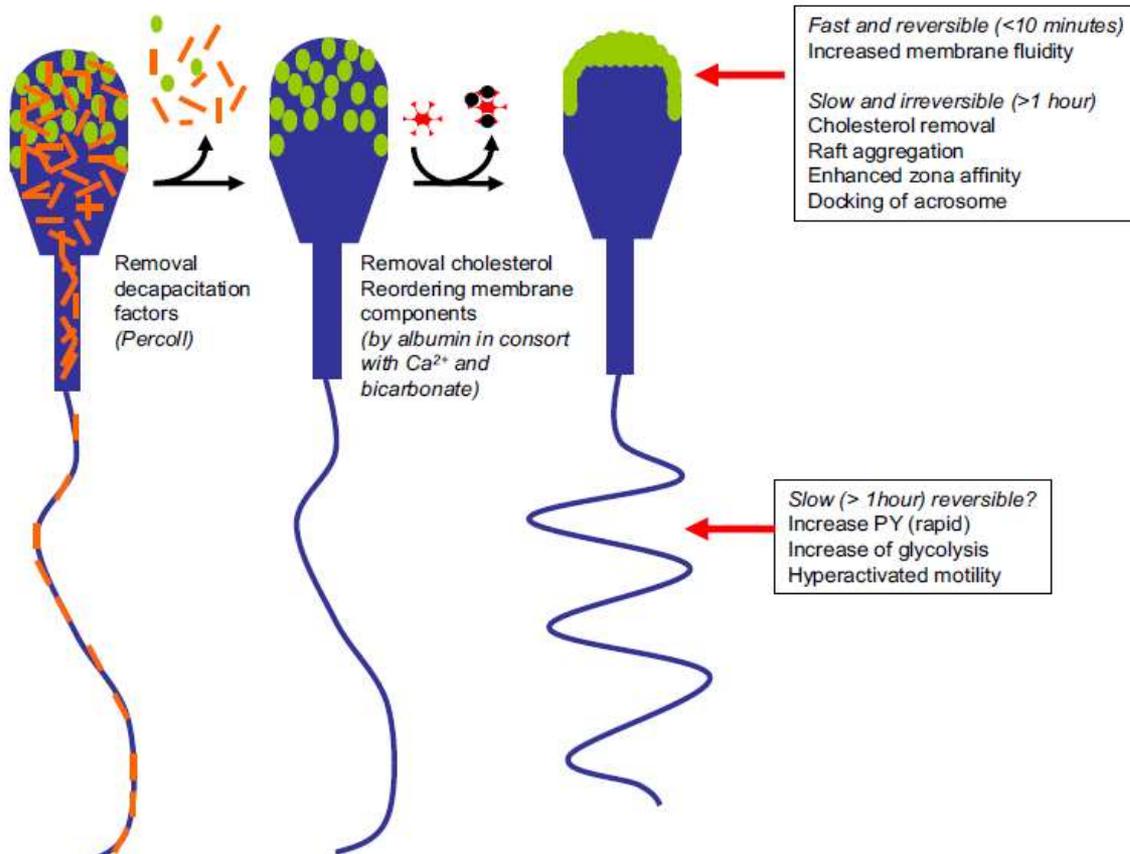
Lentos: Hiperactivación, eflujo de colesterol,
fosforilación de tirosinas, preparación para reacción acrosómica



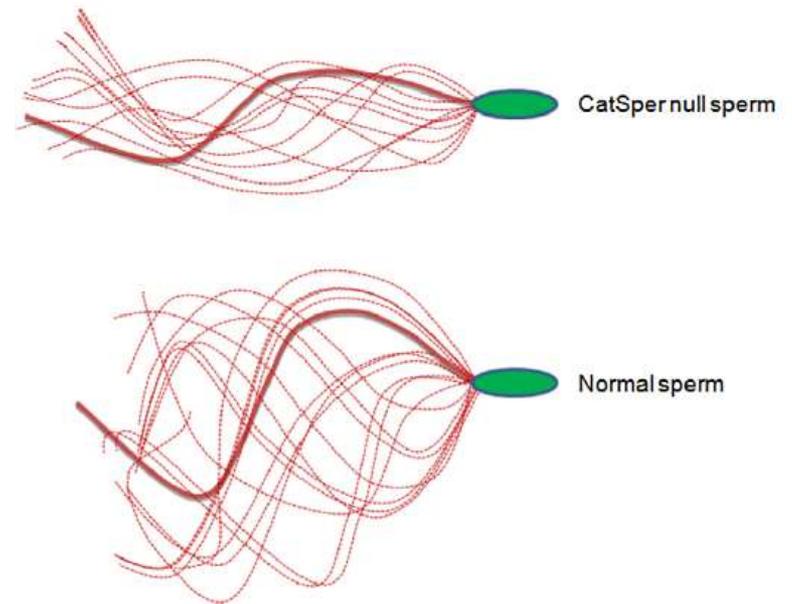
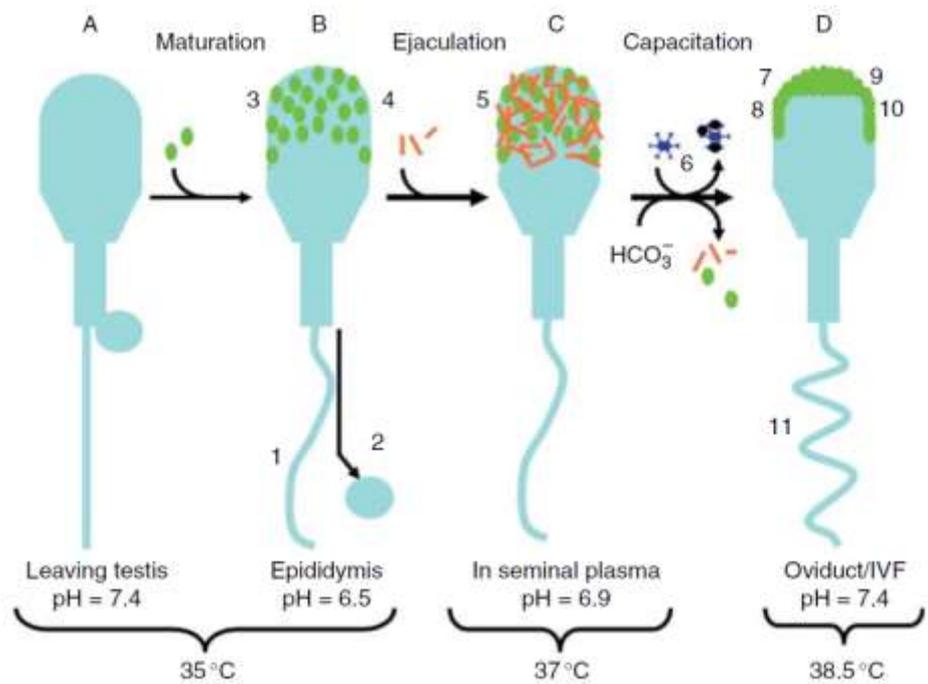
MOVIMIENTO FLAGELAR E HIPERACTIVACIÓN



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EVENTOS POST-CAPACITACIÓN

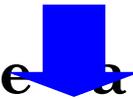
Hiperactivación



Unión a la zona pelúcida



Reacción acrosomal



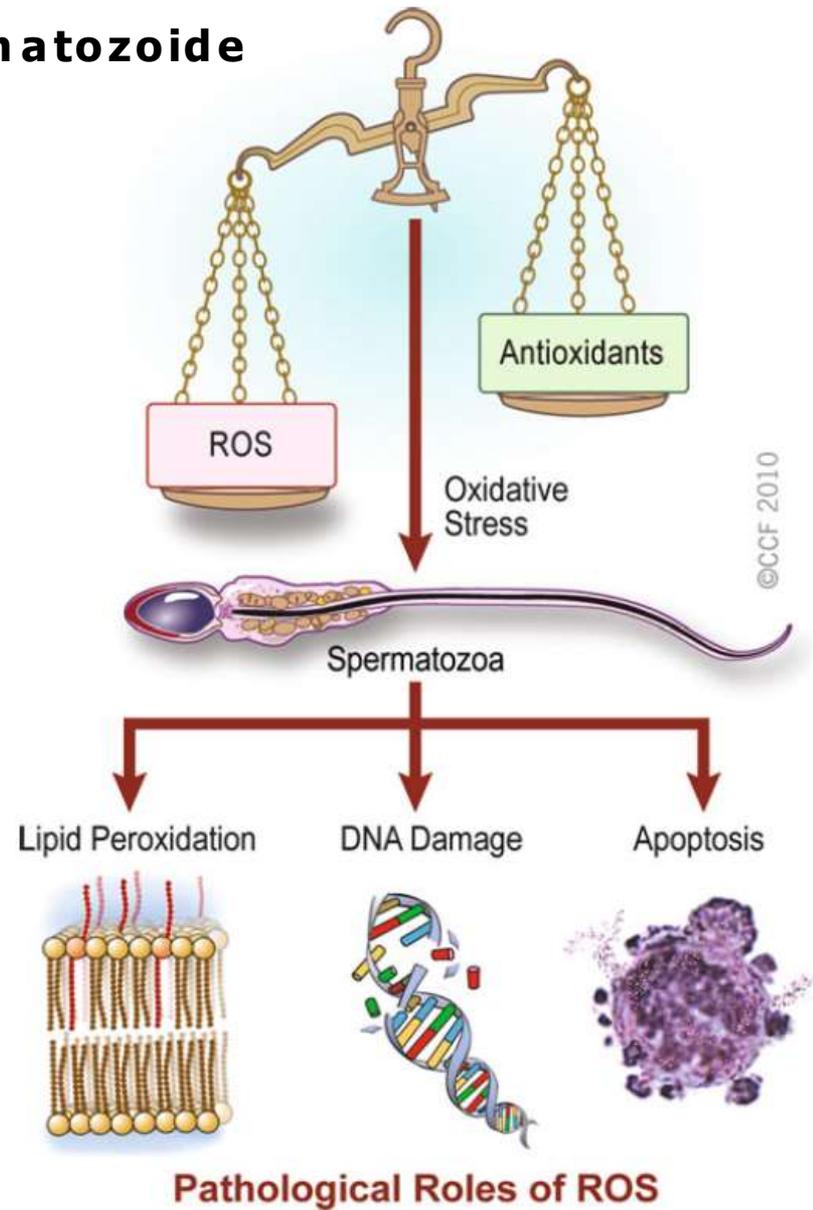
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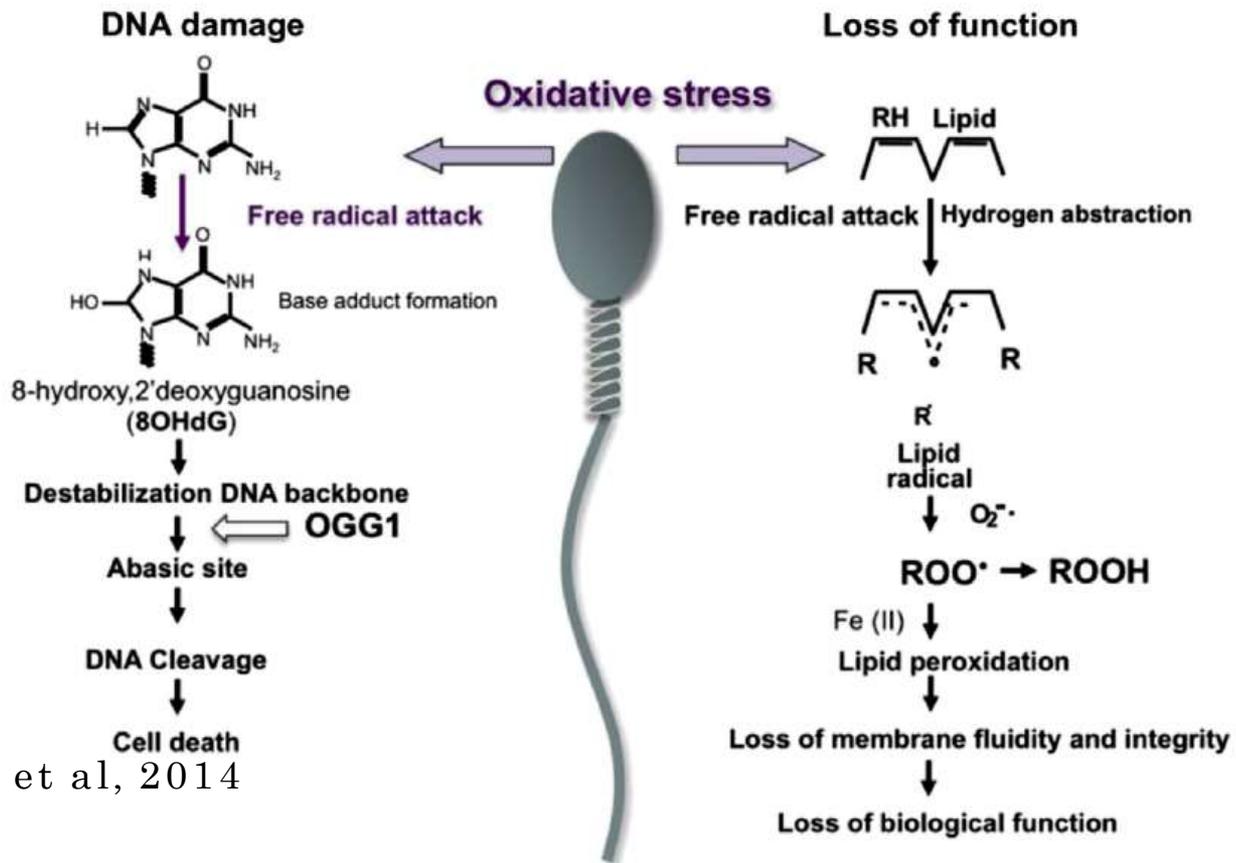
Fusión oocito-spermatzoide



Estrés oxidativo y daño al espermatozoide



ESTRÉS OXIDATIVO EN ESPERMATOZOIDE



Aitken et al, 2014



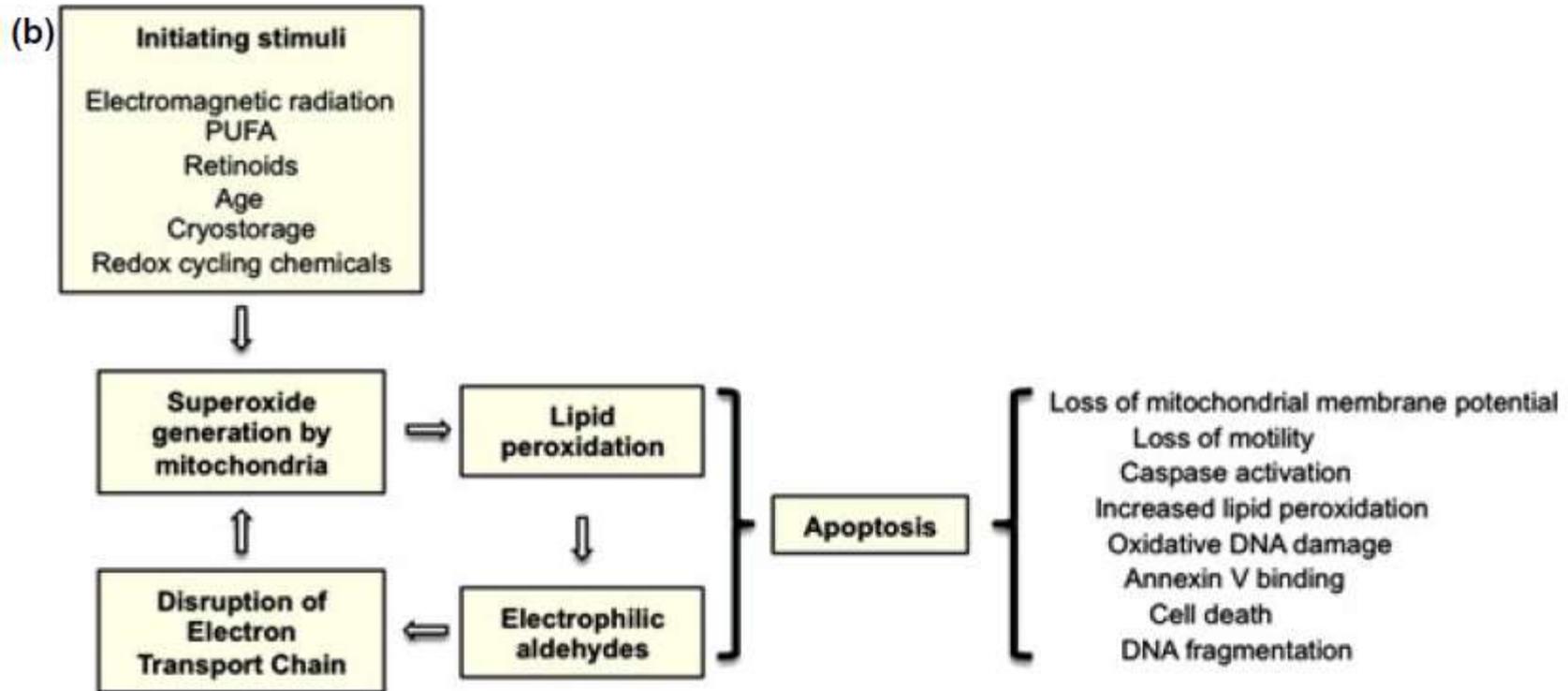
ESPECIES REACTIVAS DE OXÍGENO Y NITRÓGENO

TABLE 12.1 Reactive Oxygen and Nitrogen Species (ROS and RNS)

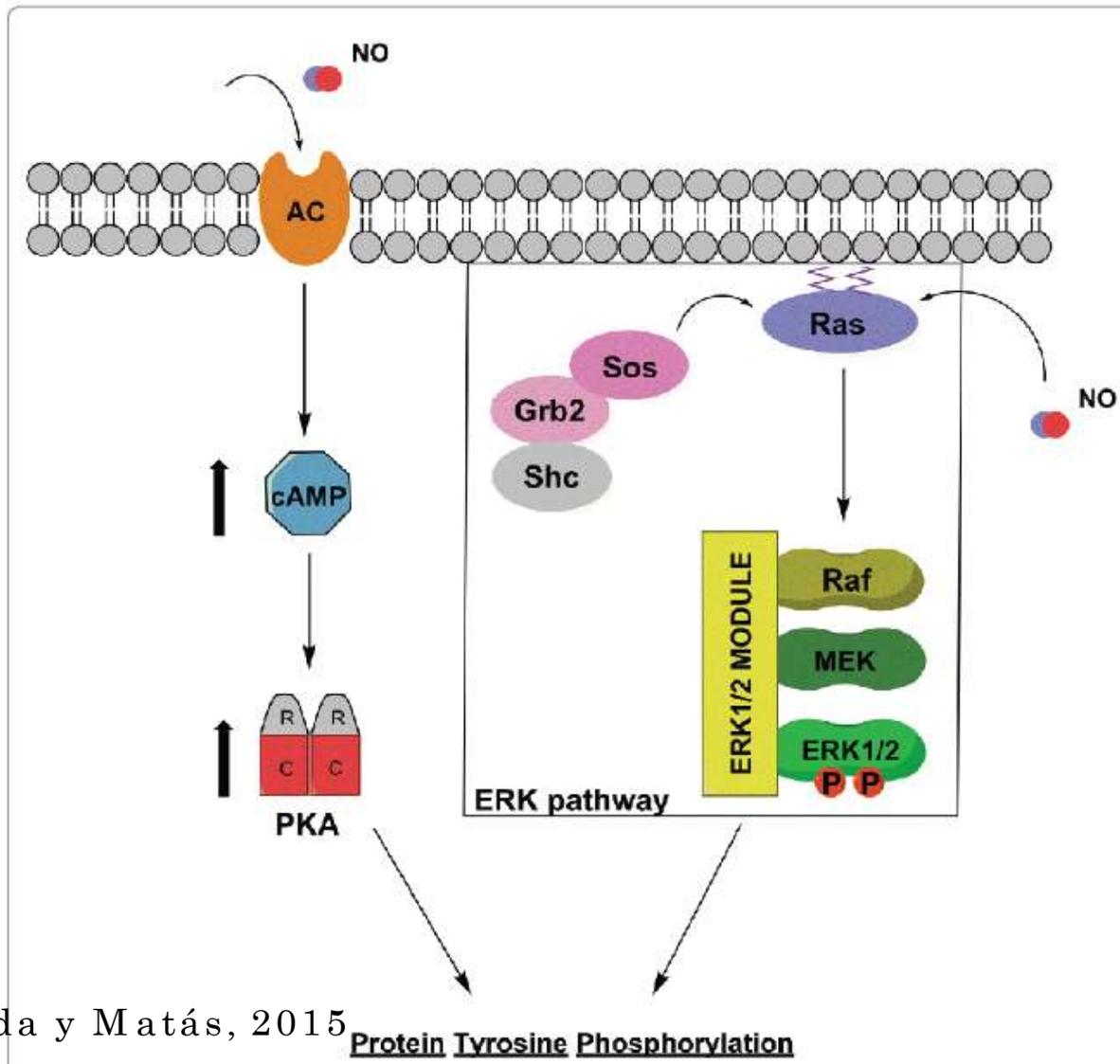
| Radicals | Nonradicals |
|--|--------------------------------|
| Superoxide (O_2^-) | Hydrogen peroxide (H_2O_2) |
| Hydroperoxyl (HOO^\bullet) | Alkyl hydroperoxides (LOOH) |
| Peroxyl (LOO^\bullet) | Singlet oxygen (1O_2) |
| Alkoxy (LO^\bullet) | Ozone (O_3) |
| Hydroxyl ($^\bullet OH$) | Hypochlorous acid (HOCl) |
| Nitric oxide (nitrogen monoxide; $^\bullet NO$) | Peroxynitrite ($ONOO^-$) |
| Nitrogen dioxide ($^\bullet NO_2$) | |



DAÑO AL ESPERMATOZOIDE



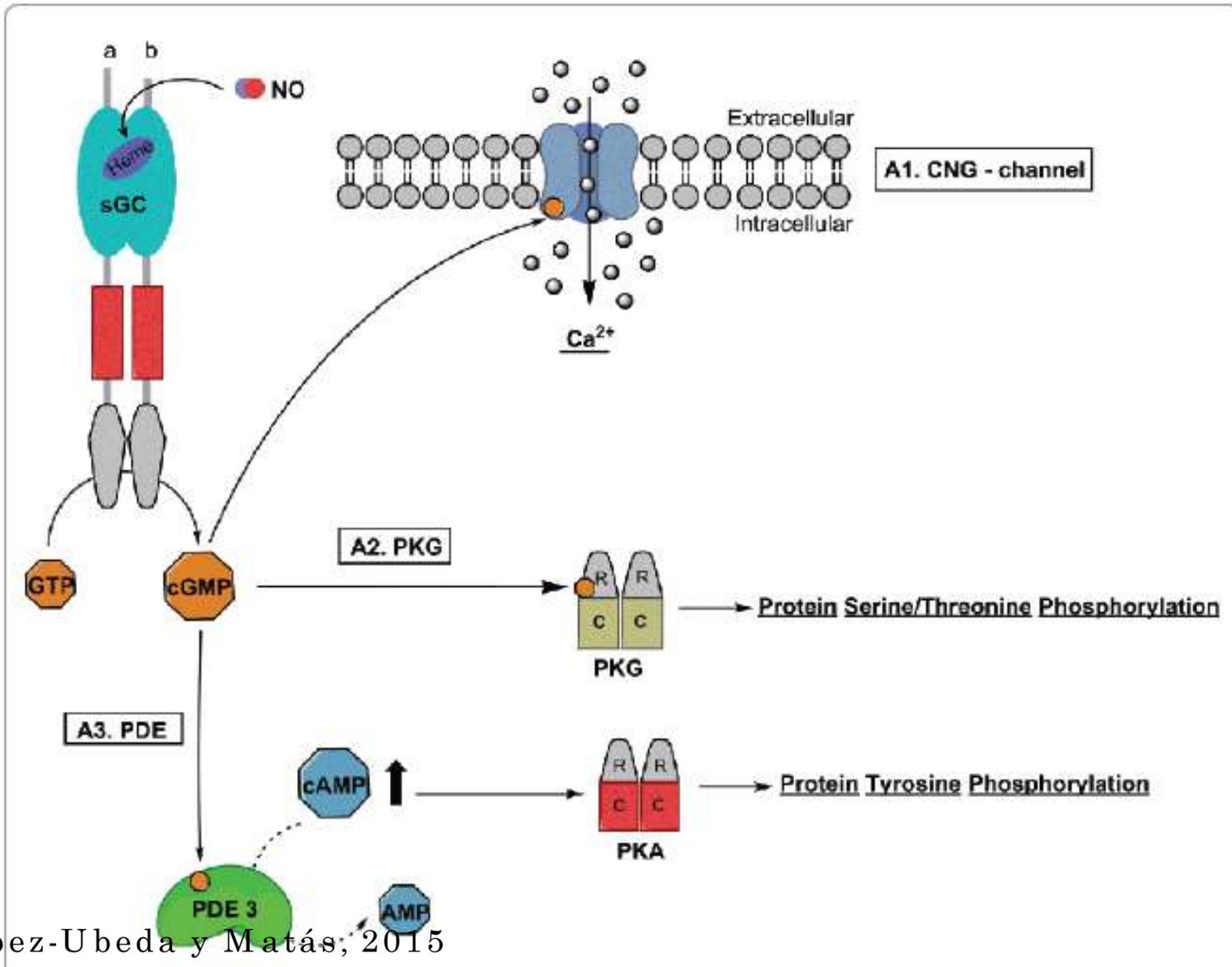
NO y CAPACITACIÓN



López-Ubeda y Matás, 2015

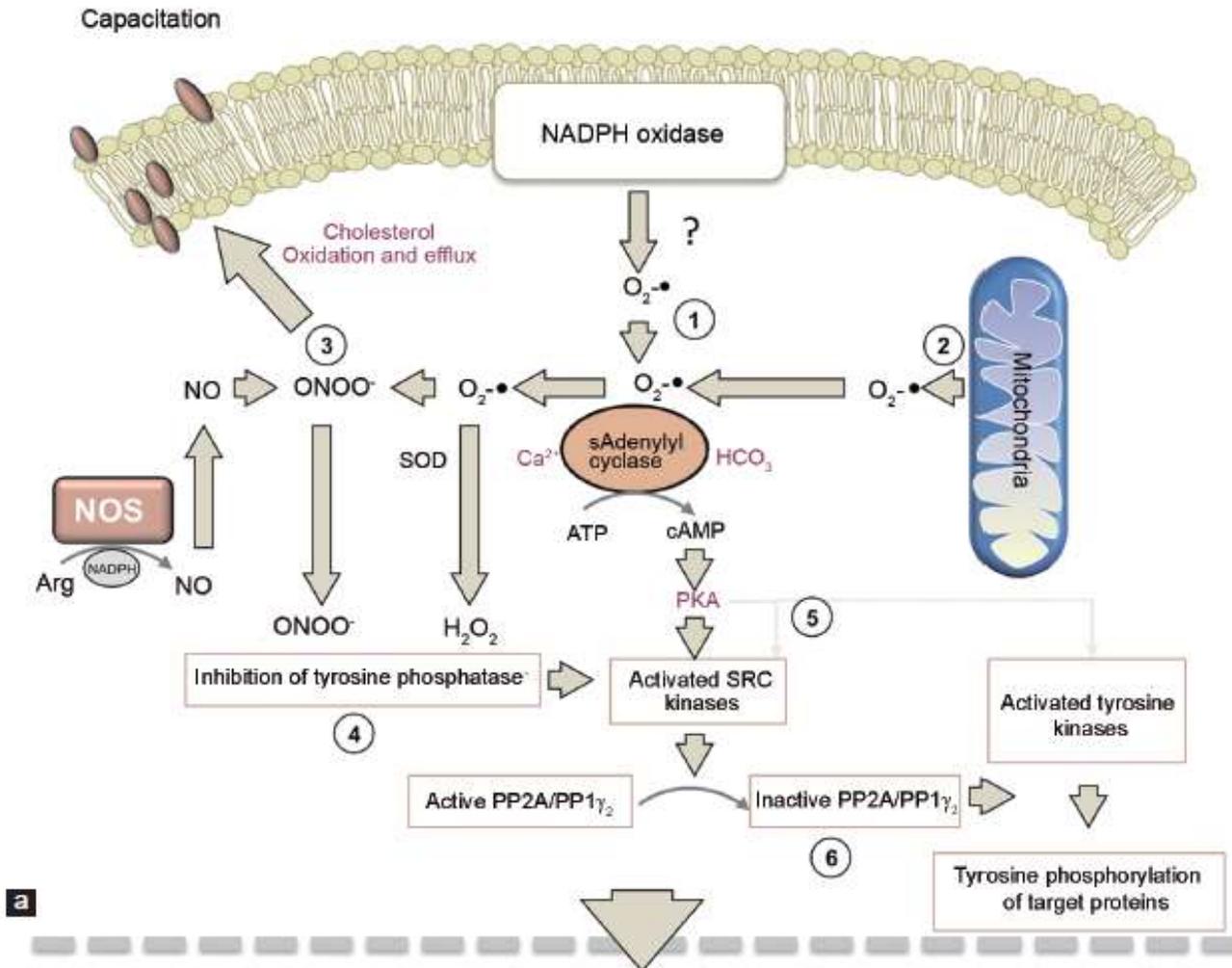
Protein Tyrosine Phosphorylation





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HCO₃⁻ y CAPACITACIÓN

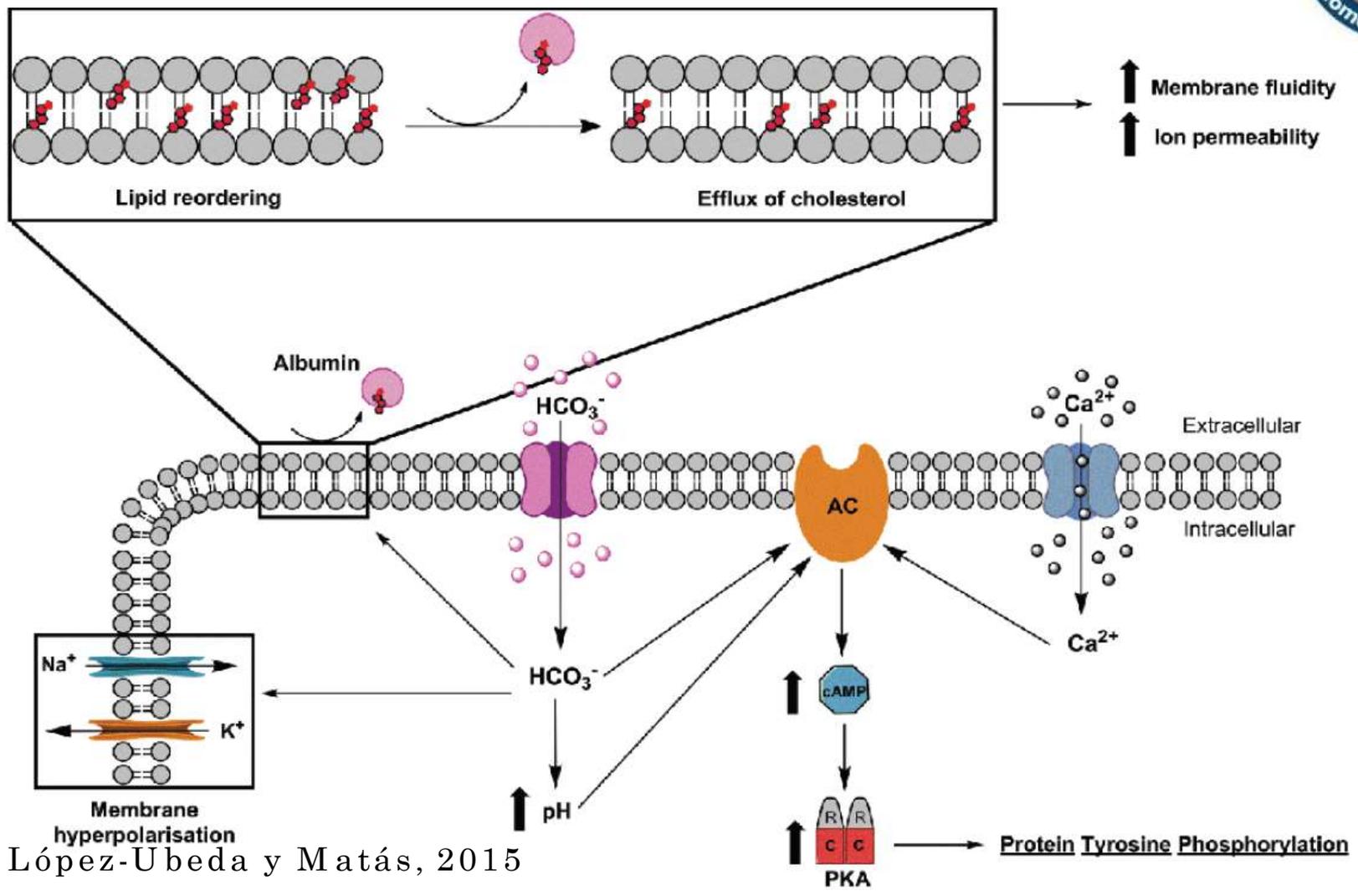
- 3-4 mM (Epididimo) - > 20 mM (oviducto)
- Incremento del pH celular
- Estimulación de la AC → Aumento del cAMP → PKA → PY
- Cambios en potencial de membrana, alto K, bajo HCO₃⁻, bajo Na⁺ →
- Bajo K, alto HCO₃⁻, alto Na⁺
- PKA → PLD → Polimerización de actina F → Reacción acrosómica



HCO₃⁻ y CAPACITACIÓN

- Modifica estructura de lípidos de membrana
- A través de vía sAC/ cAMP /PKA
- Reordenamiento de PS, EM, PC.
- Reubicación del colesterol → remoción del colesterol → aumento fluidez → aumento permeabilidad de iones. En sinergia con albúmina.
- Oxiesteroles mas hidrofóbicos (vía ROS). Mejor remoción

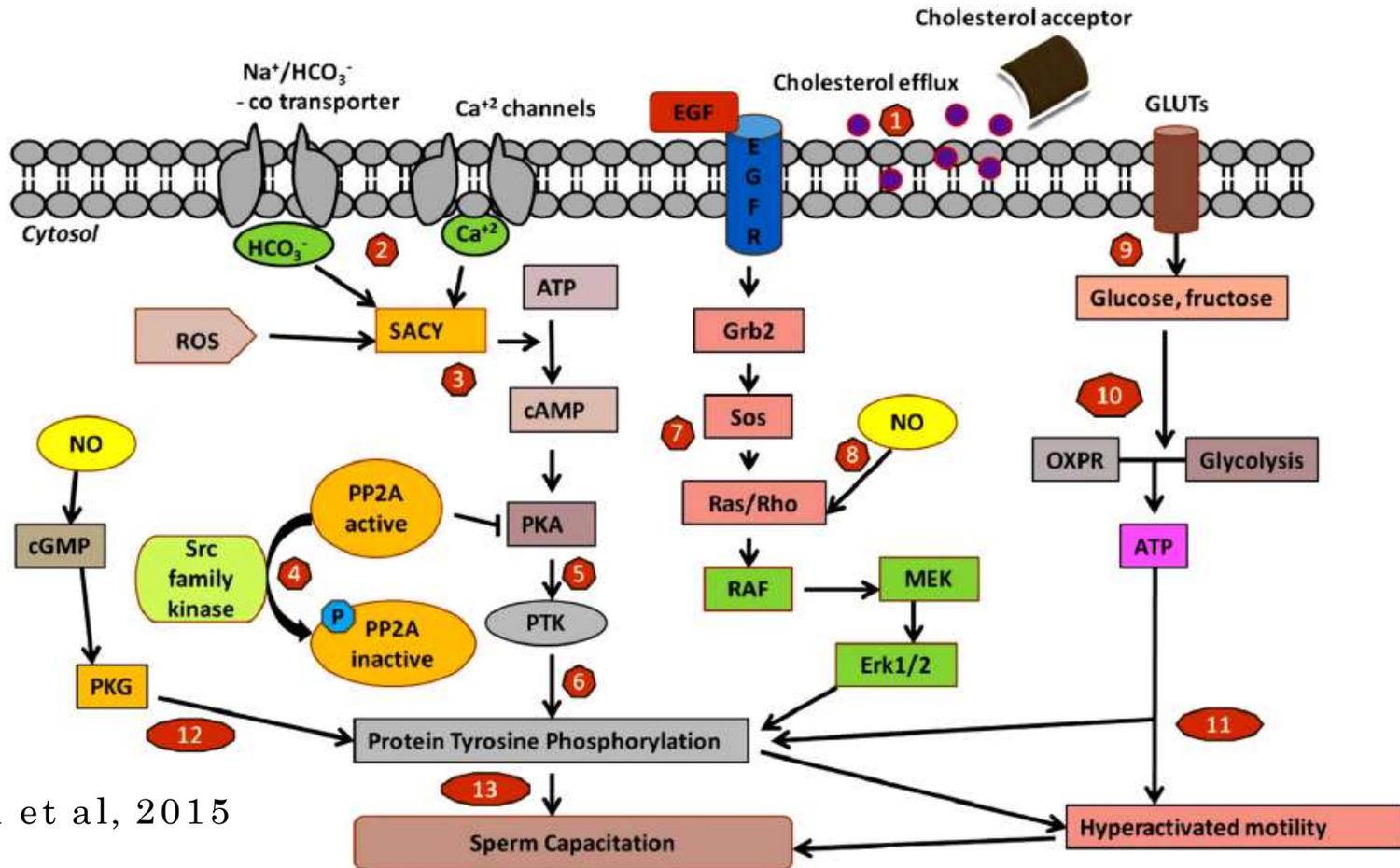




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Ca⁺⁺ y CAPACITACIÓN

- 1915, Loeb, Ca⁺⁺ → medio extracelular → fertilización
- Eflujo de colesterol → influjo de Ca⁺⁺ → requisito RA
- Ca⁺⁺ → activa AC
- Sinergia de Ca⁺⁺ y bicarbonato → activación de capacitación → depende especie (cerdo vs ratón)
- Ca⁺⁺ → entrada por CatSperm
- pH ácido → regulador negativo de entrada de Ca⁺⁺

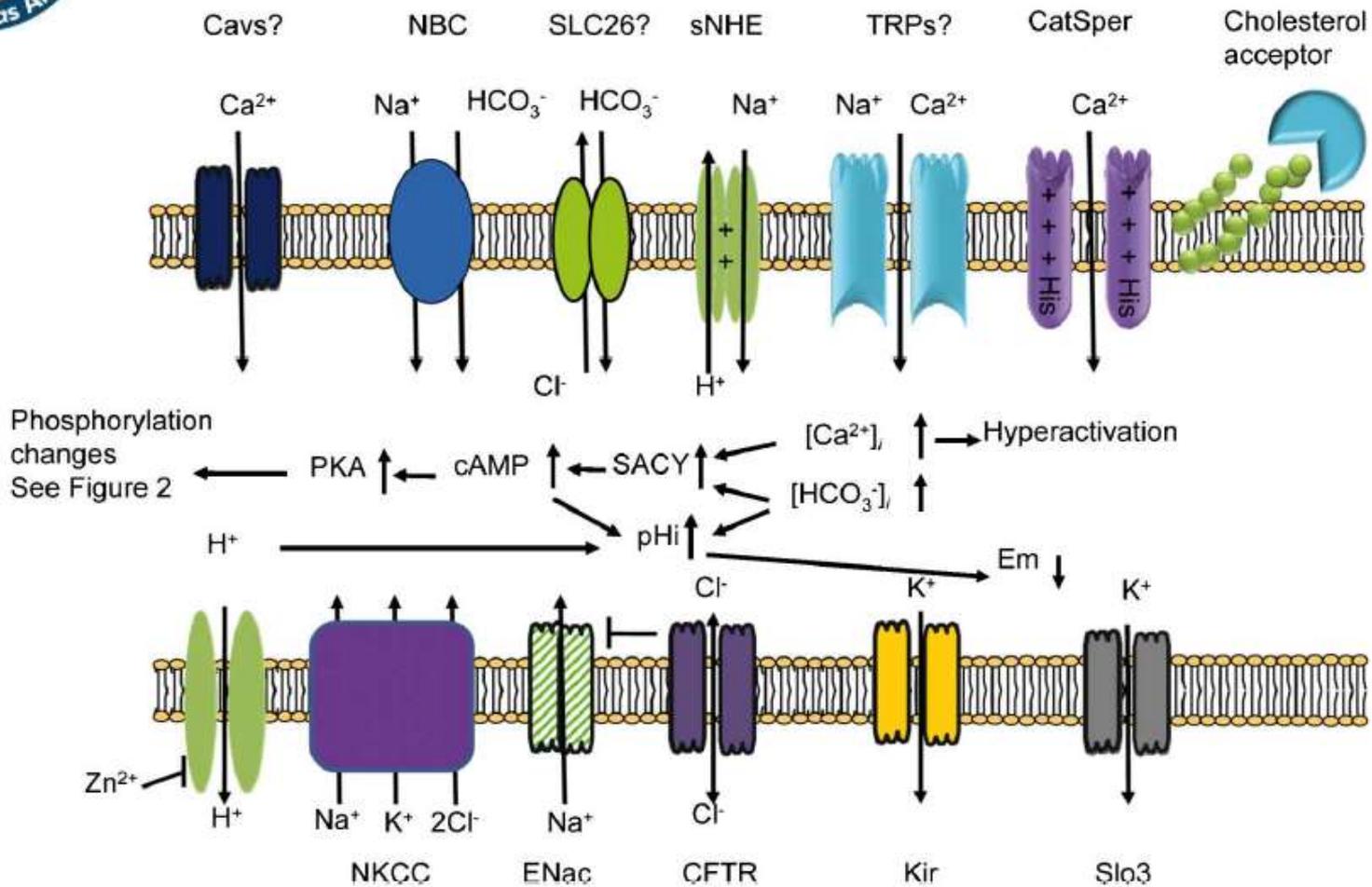


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|-----|---|---|--|--------|-------|------|
| NBC | / | HCO ₃ ⁻ /Na ⁺ influx | induces hyperpolarization through the HCO ₃ ⁻ influx; increase protein tyrosine phosphorylation through Na ⁺ influx | induce | mouse | [48] |
|-----|---|---|--|--------|-------|------|

| Name of channel/ stimuli | Localization on spermatozoa/availability | Role in ion flow | Role in sperm physiology | Effects on capacitation | Species | Contributors |
|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------|--|----------------------------|---------|--------------|
| CatSper | Principal piece of sperm tail | Ca ²⁺ influx | Ca ²⁺ uptake, hyperactivated motility | induce | human | [69] |

Shi-Kai Jin and Wan-Xi Yang, 2017







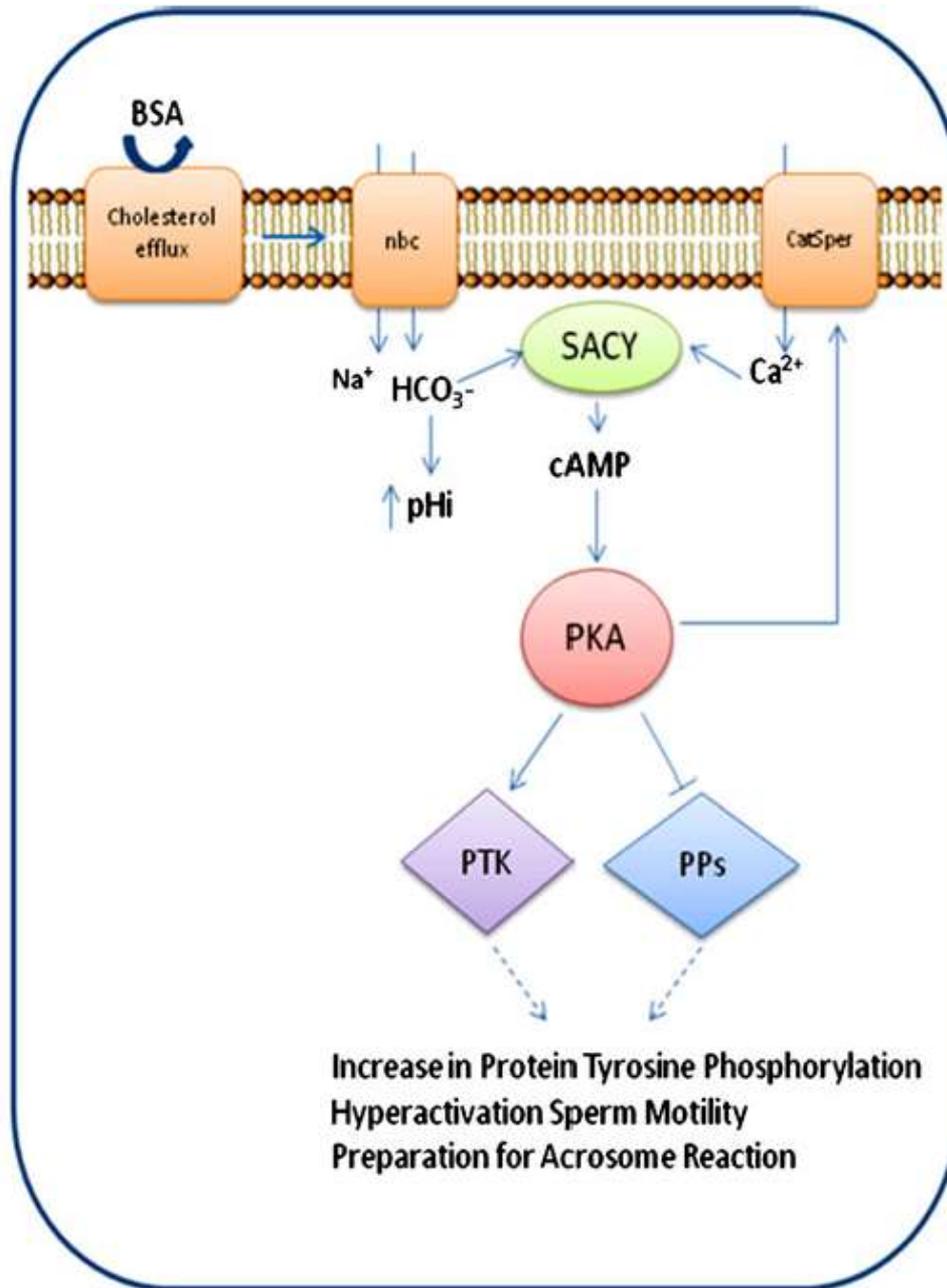
| Signal | Loss of function knockout mouse model | Phenotype | References |
|-----------------|---|--|---|
| cAMP | Protein kinase A catalytic subunit $\alpha 2$ (PKA C $\alpha 2$) | Infertility. Impaired motility, no HCO $_3^-$ -mediated Ca $^{2+}$ increase, no increase of tyrosine phosphorylation. | Nolan M et al., 2004 |
| | Soluble adenylyl cyclase (ADCY10, or sAC) | Infertility. Lack of forward motility. Infertility, even after rescuing motility with cAMP analogues. Infertility. Deficit in cAMP production, low levels of ATP and impaired hyperactivation. | Espósito G et al., 2004 Hess KC et al., 2005 Xie F et al., 2006 |
| | A-kinase-anchoring-protein 4 (AKAP4) | Infertility. Deficiency of fibrous sheath and lack of motility. Increase of PKA RII in soluble fraction, decreased protein phosphatase 1 $\gamma 2$ activity. | Miki et al., 2002 Huang Z et al., 2005 |
| pH _i | Sperm specific Na $^+$ /H $^+$ exchanger (sNHE) | Infertility. Complete loss of motility. cAMP rescued motility and fertility. sNHE is required for expression of sAC and both proteins complex in the membrane. | Wang D et al., 2003 Wang D et al., 2007 |
| | H $^+$ channel HV1 | No fertility defects (HV1 currents are active in human sperm but no currents were found in mouse sperm). | Ramsey S et al., 2009 |



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|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|
| Membrane potential (V _m) | Sperm specific Na ⁺ channel (SLO3) | Infertility. Impaired progressive motility, depolarization of the membrane after capacitation, inability to undergo acrosome reaction. | Santi CM et al., 2010 Zeng XH et al., 2011 |
| | Na ⁺ /K ⁺ ATPase α4 subunit | Infertility. Reduced sperm motility and hyperactivation. Increased intracellular Na ⁺ and depolarization of the membrane. | Jimenez T et al., 2011 |
| Ca ²⁺ | CAV2.3 channels | Subfertility. Altered Ca ²⁺ response and reduced acrosome reaction. | Cohen R et al., 2014 |
| | CATSPER channels | CATSPER1: Infertility. Impaired motility and lack of cAMP-induced Ca ²⁺ influx. CATSPER2: Infertility. Normal forward motility, lack of hyperactivated motility. CATSPER3 and Catsper 4: Infertility. Lack of hyperactivated motility. | Ren D et al., 2001 Quill TA et al., 2003 Qi H. et al., 2007 |

Gervasi and Visconti, 2015





Signorelli et al, 2011



Inhibition of Ser/Thr phosphatases

Activation of cAMP pathways

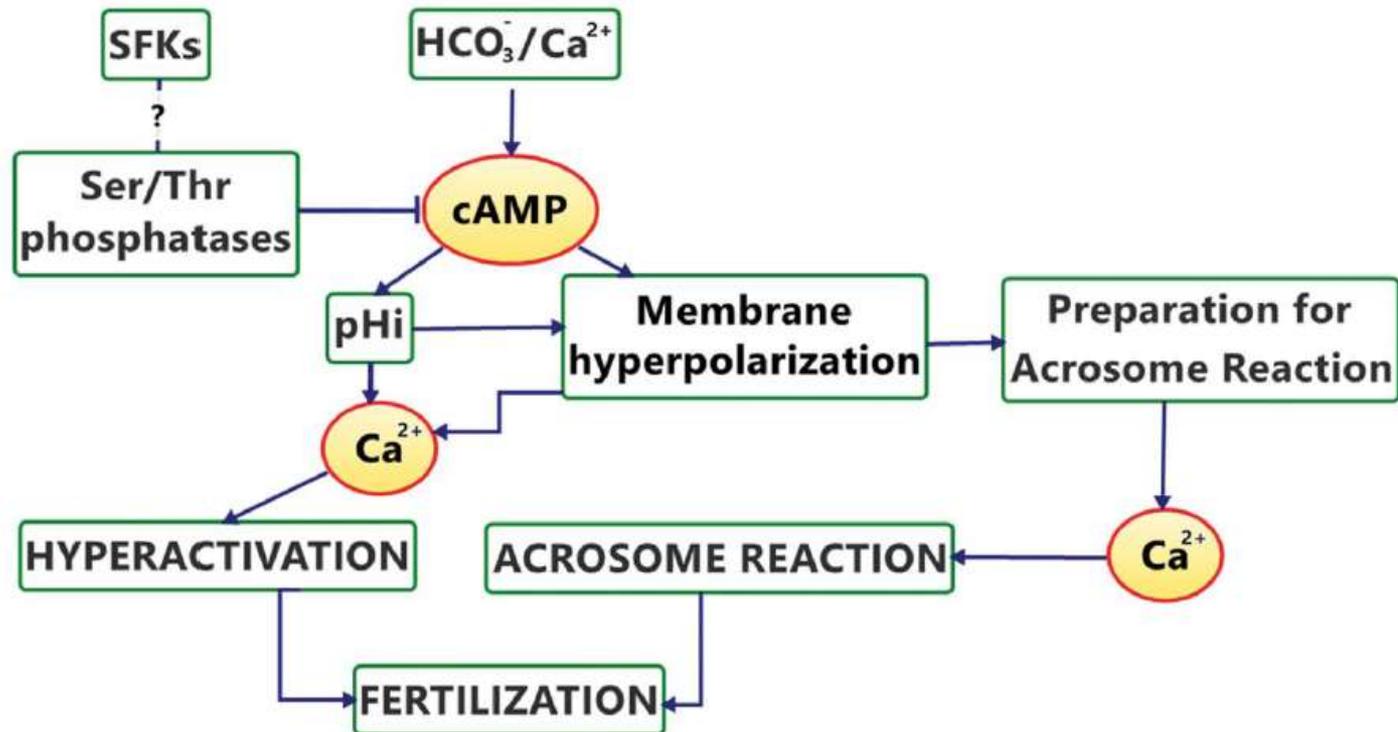
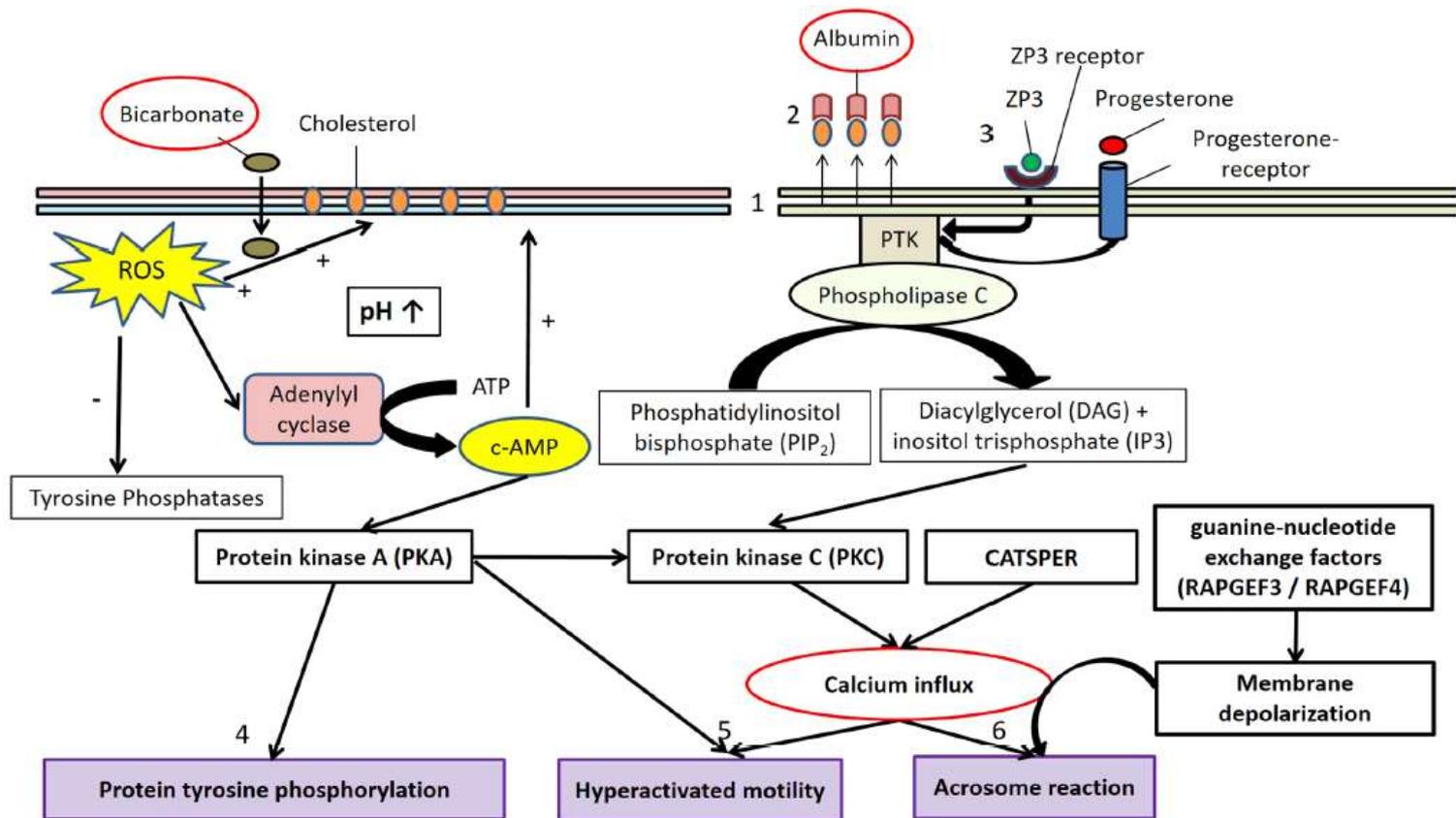


Table 2 Expression of the family PPP of PSP in various tissues and in testis and sperm (*ND* not determined) modified from Fardilha et al. (2011)

| Phosphatase | Other tissues | Testis | Sperm |
|----------------|--|---|---|
| PP1 α | Ubiquitous; more predominantly in brain and lung (Shima et al. 1993a) | Yes (Shima et al. 1993b) | Yes (Suzuki et al. 2010; Fardilha et al. 2011) |
| PP1 β | Ubiquitous; more predominantly in brain, intestine and lung (Shima et al. 1993a) | Yes (Shima et al. 1993b) | No |
| PP1 γ 1 | Ubiquitous; more predominantly in brain (Shima et al. 1993a) | Yes (Shima et al. 1993b) | No |
| PP1 γ 2 | Low abundance (Strack et al. 1999) | Yes (Kitagawa et al. 1990; Sasaki et al. 1990; Shima et al. 1993b) | Yes (Smith et al. 1996; Shima et al. 1993b; Vijayaraghavan et al. 1996) |
| PP2A | Ubiquitous; more predominantly in brain (Khew-Goodall and Hemmings 1988) | Yes (Kloeker et al. 2003) | Yes (Tash et al. 1988; P. Morales, unpublished data) |
| PP2B | Ubiquitous; more predominantly in brain (Wallace et al. 1980) | Yes (Ueki et al. 1992; Chang et al. 1994) | Yes (Vijayaraghavan et al. 1996; Huang et al. 2005; P. Morales, unpublished data) |
| PP4 | Ubiquitous; more predominantly in lung, liver and kidney (Hu et al. 2001) | Yes, highly abundant (Hu et al. 2001; Kloeker et al. 2003) | ND |
| PP5 | Ubiquitous; more predominantly brain (Becker et al. 1994; Chinkers 1994) | Yes (Becker et al. 1994) | ND |
| PP6 | Ubiquitous; more predominantly heart and skeletal muscle (Bastians and Ponstingl 1996) | Yes, highly abundant (Bastians and Ponstingl 1996; Kloeker et al. 2003) | ND |
| PP7 | Ubiquitous; more predominantly sensory organs (Andreeva and Kutuzov 2009) | Yes, highly abundant (Andreeva and Kutuzov 2009) | ND |



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Table 1 Overview of capacitation triggers and their *in vitro* capacitation effect in different mammalian species.

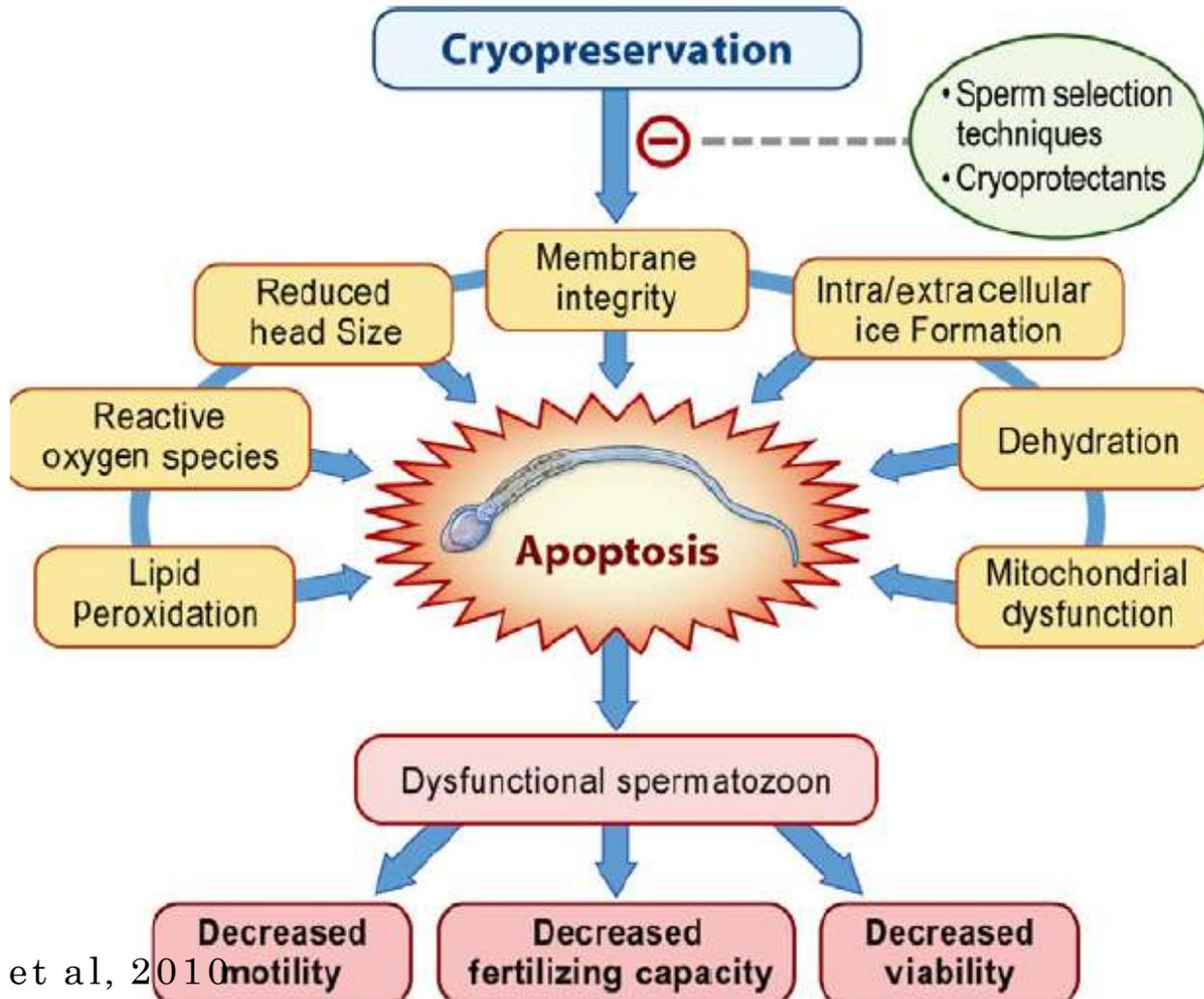
| Capacitating trigger | Capacitation effect | Species | Reference |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------|---|
| Ca ²⁺ | Membrane fluidity | Mouse | Visconti <i>et al.</i> (1995a,b) |
| | Protein tyrosine phosphorylation | Man | Osheroff <i>et al.</i> (1999) |
| | Hyperactivated motility | Pig | Flesch & Gadella (2000) |
| | Acrosome reaction | Cow | Byrd (1981), Breininger <i>et al.</i> (2010) |
| | | Horse | McPartlin <i>et al.</i> (2008) |
| HCO ₃ ⁻ | Membrane fluidity | Mouse | Visconti <i>et al.</i> (1995a,b) |
| | Protein tyrosine phosphorylation | Hamster | Visconti <i>et al.</i> (1999b) |
| | Hyperactivated motility | Man | Osheroff <i>et al.</i> (1999) |
| | Acrosome reaction | Pig | Flesch & Gadella (2000) |
| | | Cow | Breininger <i>et al.</i> (2010) |
| | | Horse | Rathi <i>et al.</i> (2003), McPartlin <i>et al.</i> (2008) |
| | | | |
| Albumin | Cholesterol depletion | Mouse | Visconti <i>et al.</i> (1995a,b) |
| | | Pig | Flesch & Gadella (2000) |
| | | Cow | Byrd (1981) |
| | | Horse | McPartlin <i>et al.</i> (2008) |
| Methyl β-cyclodextrin | Cholesterol extraction | Mouse | Visconti <i>et al.</i> (1999a) |
| | | Pig | van Gestel <i>et al.</i> (2005b) |
| | | Horse | Bromfield <i>et al.</i> (2014) |
| Heparin | Membrane fluidity | Cow | Parrish <i>et al.</i> (1988), Gualtieri <i>et al.</i> (2005), Breininger <i>et al.</i> (2010) |
| | Hyperactivated motility | | |
| | Protein tyrosine phosphorylation | | |





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|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|
| Progesterone | Acrosome reaction | Horse | Cheng <i>et al.</i> (1998a,b) |
| | Hyperactivated motility | Man | Lishko <i>et al.</i> (2011) |
| Ca ²⁺ ionophore A23187 | Acrosome reaction | Mouse | Tateno <i>et al.</i> (2013) |
| | | Man | Bielfeld <i>et al.</i> (1994), Liu <i>et al.</i> (2011) |
| | | Pig | |
| | | Cow | Birck <i>et al.</i> (2009) |
| | | Horse | Fraser <i>et al.</i> (1995) |
| Lysophospha-tidylcholine | Hyperactivated motility | Mice | Balao da Silva <i>et al.</i> (2013), Tateno <i>et al.</i> (2013) |
| c-AMP and caffeine | Acrosome reaction | Horse | Graham (1996) |
| | Protein tyrosine phosphorylation | Cow | Breining <i>et al.</i> (2010) |
| | | Horse | Pommer <i>et al.</i> (2003) |
| ROS | Hyperactivated motility | Pig | Funahashi & Nagai (2001) |
| | Protein tyrosine phosphorylation | Cow | Breining <i>et al.</i> (2010) |
| Alkaline medium pH | Protein tyrosine phosphorylation | Horse | Baumber <i>et al.</i> (2003) |
| | Hyperactivated motility | Horse | Gonzalez-Fernandez <i>et al.</i> (2012) |
| Procaine | Hyperactivated motility | Cow | Marquez & Suarez (2007) |
| | | Guinea pig | Mujica <i>et al.</i> (1994) |
| | | Horse | McPartlin <i>et al.</i> (2009), Leemans <i>et al.</i> (2015a) |

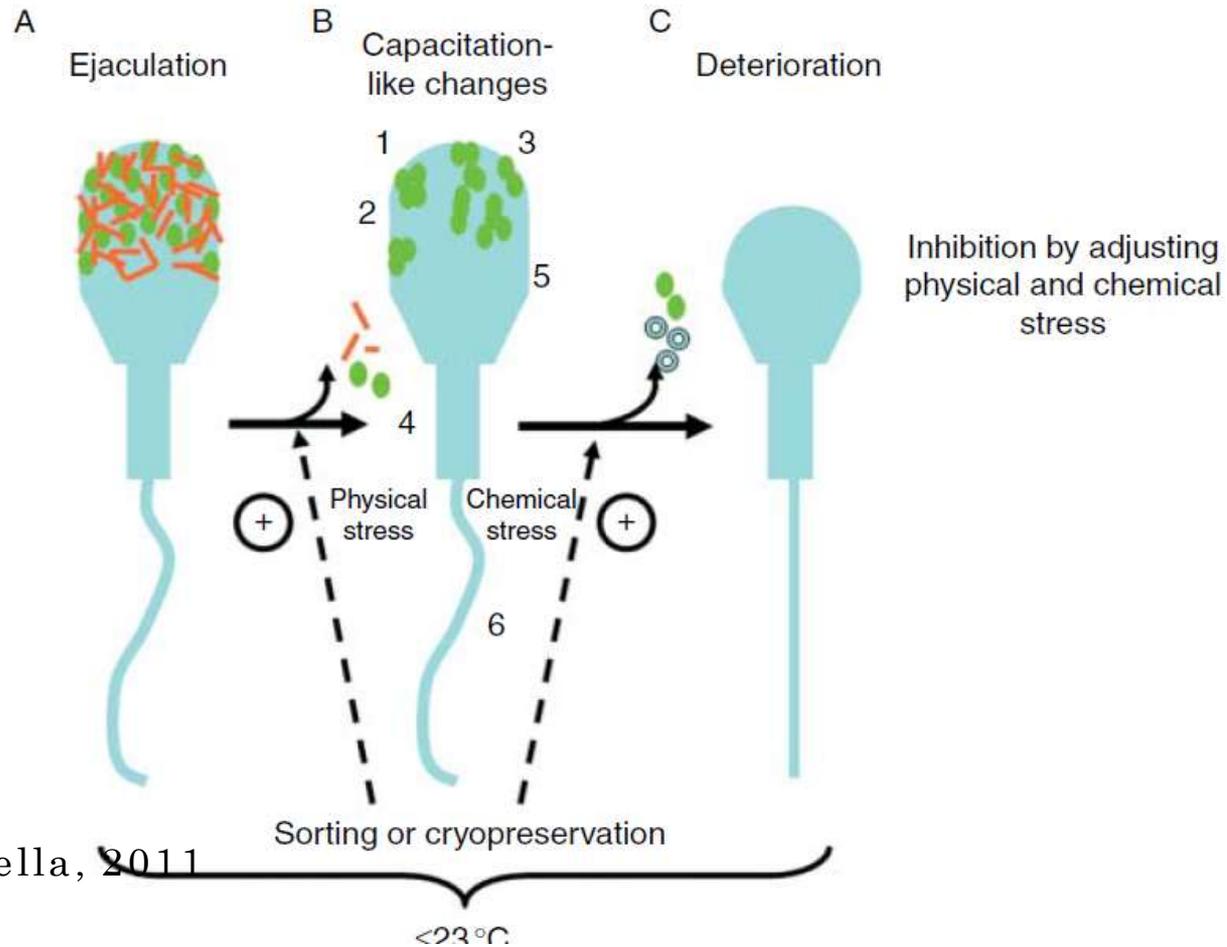




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Leahy and Gadella, 2011



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*Sperm changes associated with capacitation and cryopreservation**

| Capacitation | Cryopreservation |
|---|--|
| CTC fluorescence pattern B | CTC fluorescence pattern B |
| Plasma membrane reorganization and fluidization | Plasma membrane reorganization and destabilization |
| Elevated intracellular calcium | Elevated intracellular calcium |
| Generation of reactive oxygen species | Generation of reactive oxygen species |
| cAMP-mediated protein tyrosine phosphorylation | Appearance of tyrosine-phosphorylated proteins |
| Able to fertilize oocytes in vitro | Able to fertilize oocytes in vitro |

* CTC indicates chlortetracycline; cAMP, cyclic adenosine monophosphate.



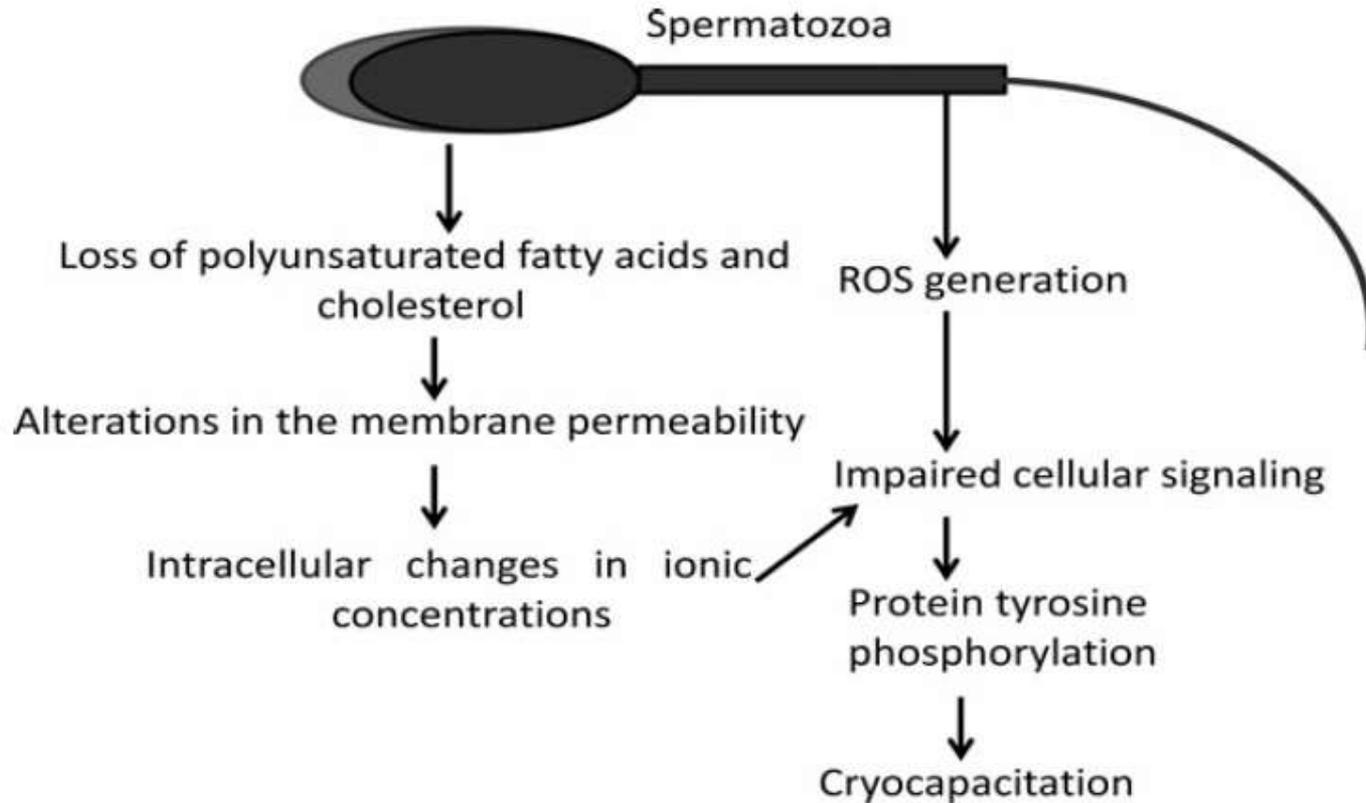
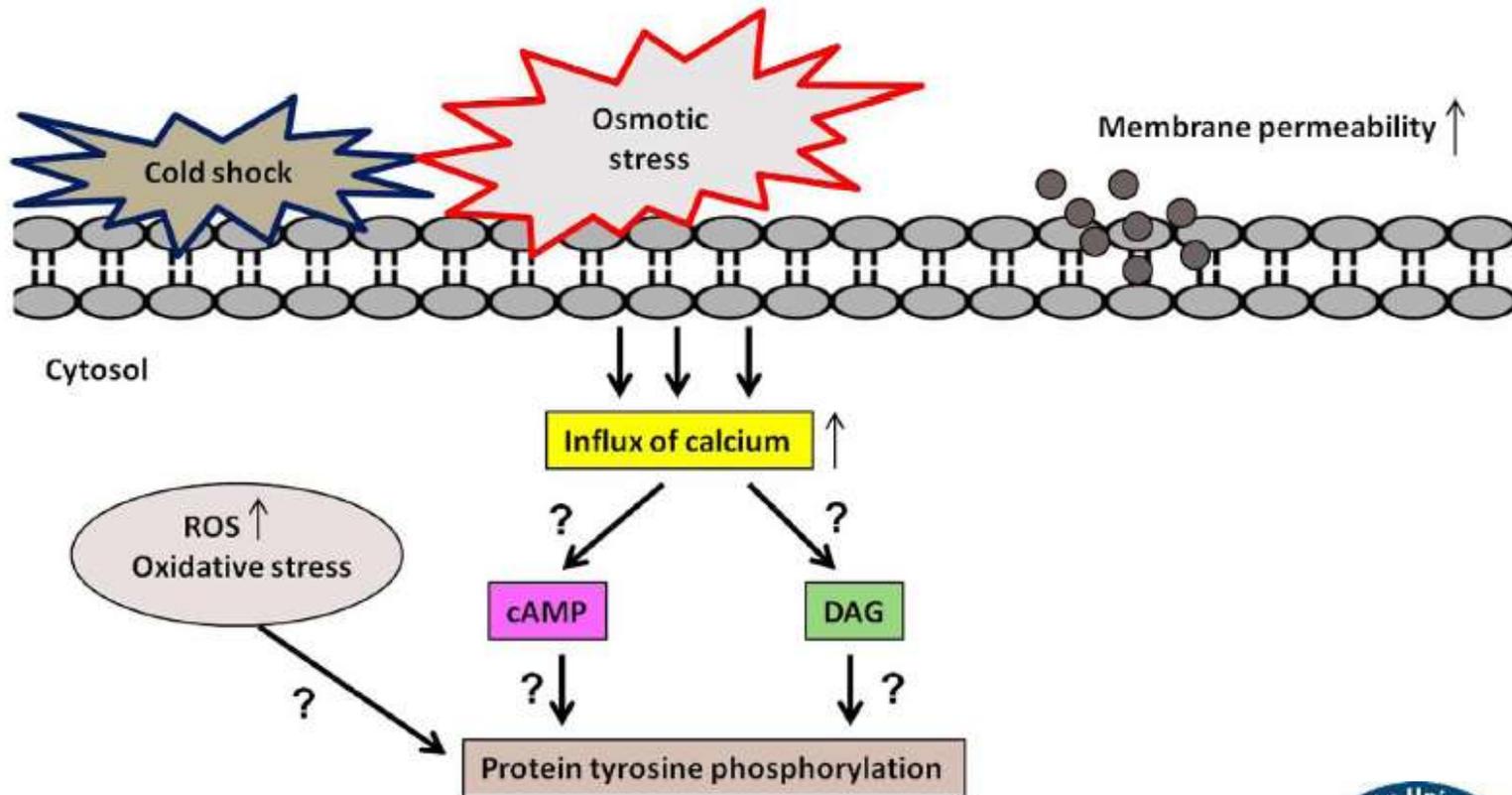


Fig. 1. Diagrammatic representation of cryopreservation induced cryocapacitation



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CÓMO MEDIMOS CRIOCAPACITACIÓN

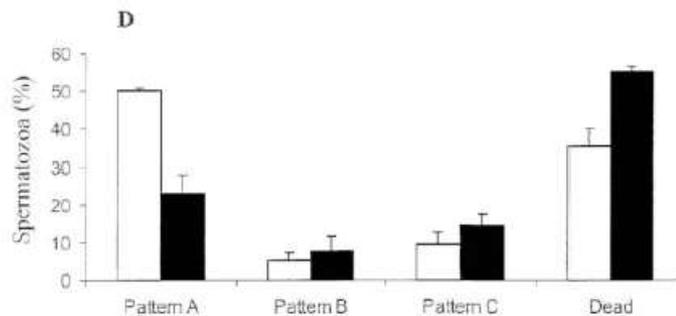
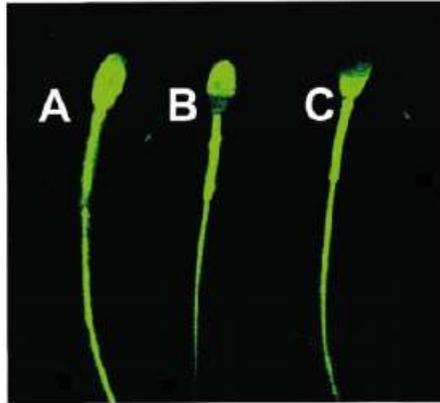


FIG. 1. The three patterns obtained for CTC-stained viable spermatozoa. **A)** Pattern A: whole sperm head shows bright fluorescence, with or without a brighter equatorial band; this is indicative of a noncapacitated spermatozoa. **B)** Pattern B: the acrosomal region of the sperm head fluoresce brightly but the postacrosomal region does not; this denotes a capacitated, acrosome-intact spermatozoa. **C)** Pattern C: the acrosomal region of the sperm head is nonfluorescent, with or without a fluorescent, postacrosomal region; this indicates a capacitated, acrosome-reacted spermatozoa. Sperm head length $\sim 7.0 \mu\text{m}$. **D)** A bar chart demonstrating the mean (\pm SD) percentage of viable sperm fluorescing in the various CTC staining patterns after 0 h (unshaded) and 5 h (shaded) of incubation.



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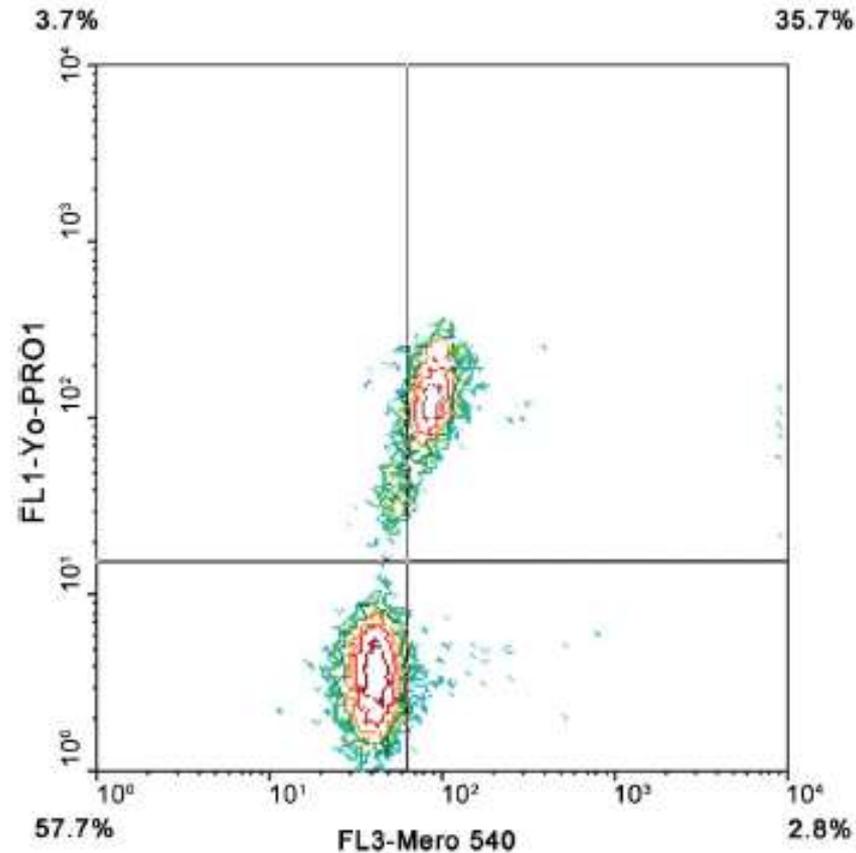


Figure 8 Plasma membrane asymmetry in a bull sperm sample measured by Merocyanine 540/YO-PRO-1 labeling. Contour plot shows viable cells with stable plasma membrane (lower left quadrant), viable cells with destabilized plasma membrane (lower right quadrant) and dead spermatozoa (upper left and right quadrants).



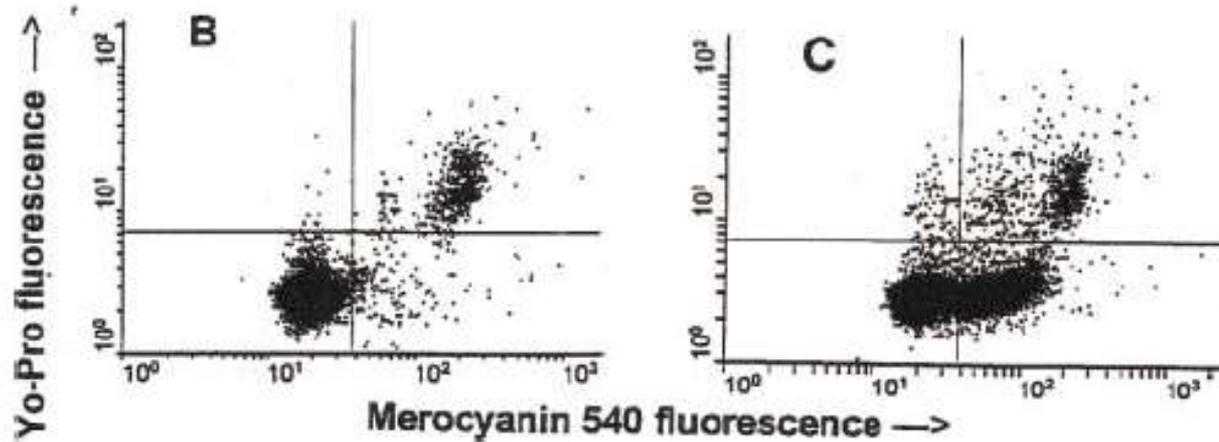
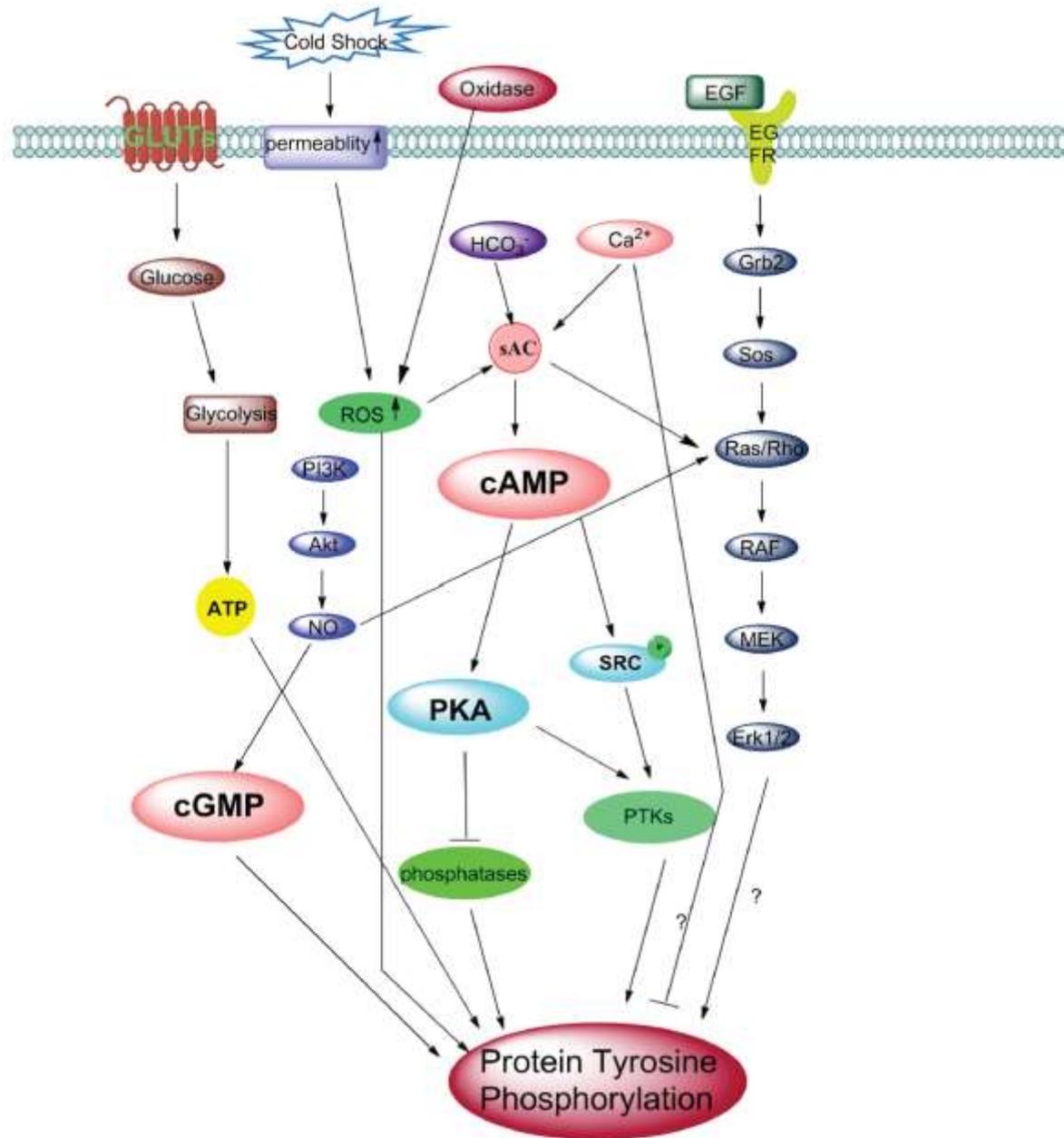


FIG. 2. The two patterns obtained for viable sperm stained with merocyanine 540. A) The highly fluorescent sperm heads demonstrate capacitated spermatozoa, and the poorly fluorescent heads demonstrate non-capacitated spermatozoa. Sperm head length $\sim 7.0 \mu\text{m}$. Scatter plots for the amount of fluorescence detected flow cytometrically for sperm from a single ejaculate stained with merocyanine 540 and Yo-Pro-1 after 0 h (B) and 5 h (C) of incubation in Tyr+bic medium. The X-axis depicts the amount of fluorescence emitted by merocyanine 540 probe that was bound to individual sperm cells as measured in arbitrary units by the FL-1 detector, and the Y-axis depicts the amount of fluorescence in arbitrary units emitted by the Yo-Pro-1 probe that was bound to individual sperm cells by the FL-3 detector. In both plots, sperm cells that fluoresced more intensely with Yo-Pro-1 than the superimposed horizontal line were considered to be nonviable, whereas the viable sperm cells with higher merocyanine 540-dependent fluorescence than the superimposed vertical line were considered to be capacitated.







CONCLUSIONES

- El espermatozoide necesita de las ROS, HCO_3^- y Ca^{++} para la capacitación
- La criopreservación causa un aumento del estrés oxidativo
- El estrés oxidativo y el shock frío causan criocapacitación
- La criocapacitación reduce la longevidad del espermatozoide y por ende su capacidad fertilizante

