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Biochemical and Biophysical Approaches to Elucidate the Functional Mechanisms of Membrane Proteins

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Dear Colleagues,

Biological membranes determine the boundaries between cells and their surroundings, as well as compartmentalize the cells of higher organisms into organelles. These membranes have a complex organization, which is, in general, provided by the lipid bilayer and the proteins. Membrane proteins play fundamental roles in the physiology of living cells and multi-cell organisms. In addition to their physiological significance, numerous links have been identified between abnormal membrane protein function and life-threatening diseases, and the function and proliferation of proteins from human pathogens can be targeted pharmacologically. Therefore, in-depth understanding of the mechanisms of normal function and inhibition, as well as the pathology of these proteins, requires sufficient information about the coupling of structure and function.

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