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Structural Insights into GABAA Receptor Gating Mechanisms

Type-A gamma-aminobutyric acid receptors (GABAARs) are the principal mediators of inhibitory neurotransmission in the human brain. They are known to bind a broad range of endogenous molecules and synthetic drugs, potent sedative, analgesic, anticonvulsant and anaesthetic agents. How these bind and modulate GABAARs remains, however, unknown. I will present recent structural results describing mechanisms of action for several classes of GABAAR ligands, and discuss the new insights these provide into understanding the basic biology of GABA-ergic signalling.

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