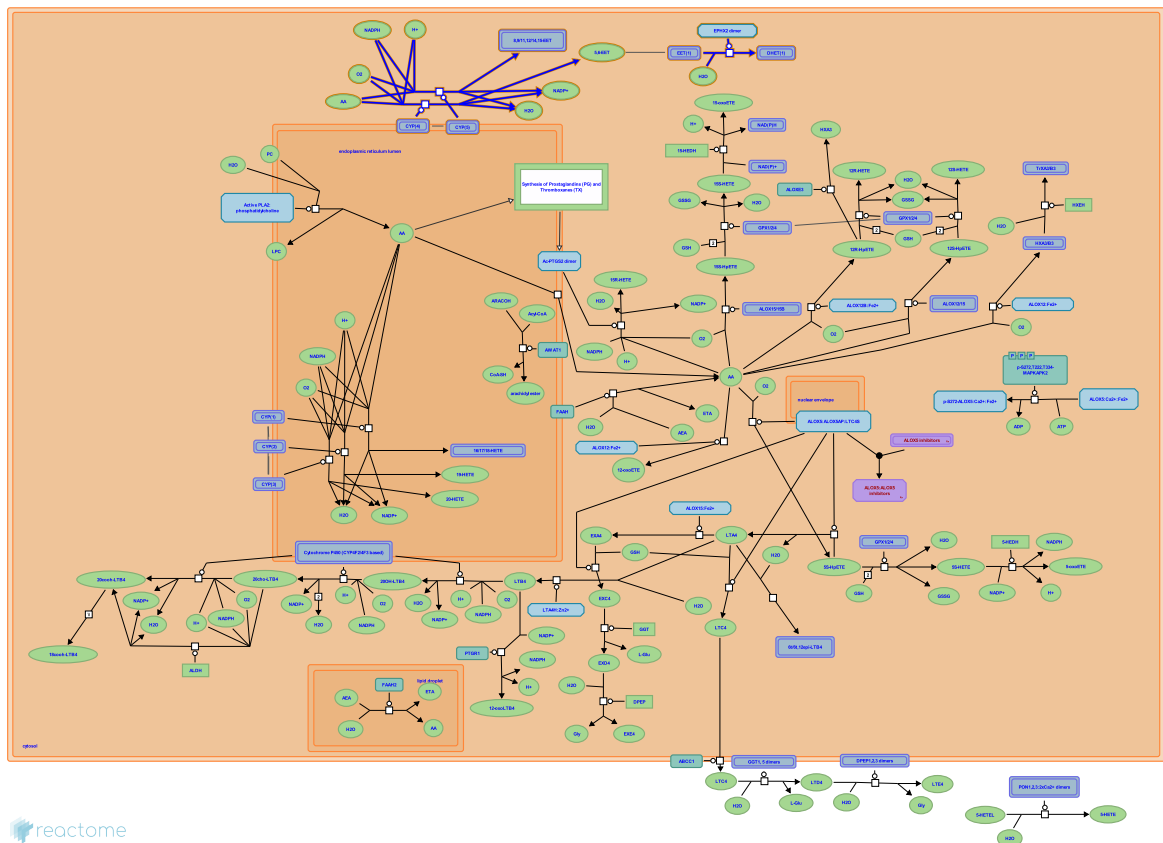


Synthesis of epoxy (EET) and dihydroxyeicosatrienoic acids (DHET)



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Introduction

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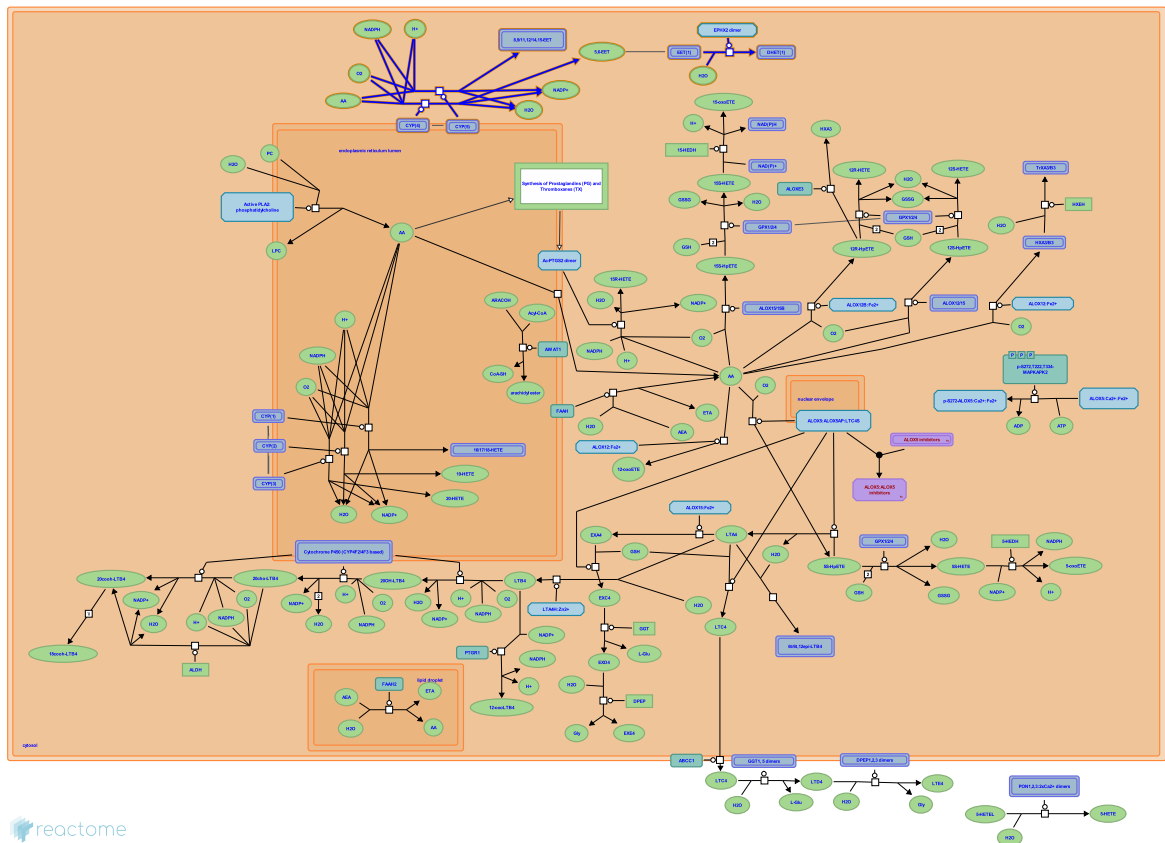
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The epoxidation of arachidonic acid by cytochrome P450s (CYPs) results in the formation of unique bioactive lipid mediators termed epoxyeicosatrienoic acids (EETs). Each double bond has been shown to be susceptible to oxidation, resulting in 5,6-EET, 8,9-EET, 11,12-EET, and 14,15-EET. The majority of the EET biological activities are diminished by the hydrolysis to the corresponding dihydroxyeicosatrienoic acids (DHET) (Capdevila et al. 2000, Buczynski et al. 2009, Vance & Vance 2008).

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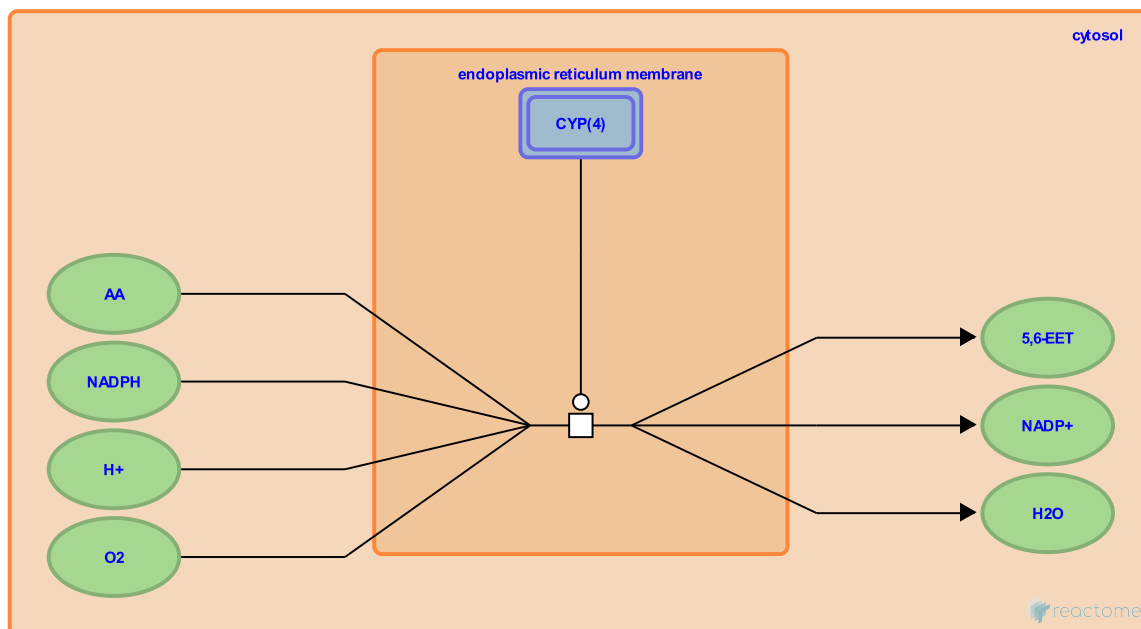
Arachidonic acid is epoxidated to 5,6-EET by CYP(4) ↗

Location: [Synthesis of epoxy \(EET\) and dihydroxyeicosatrienoic acids \(DHET\)](#)

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Type: transition

Compartments: endoplasmic reticulum membrane, cytosol



Several cytochrome P450s (CYPs) convert arachidonic acid to 5,6-epoxyeicosatrienoic acid (5,6-EET). The CYPs and their references are as follows: CYP1A1, CYP1A2, CYP1B1 (Choudhary et al. 2004); CYP2J2 (Wu et al. 1996).

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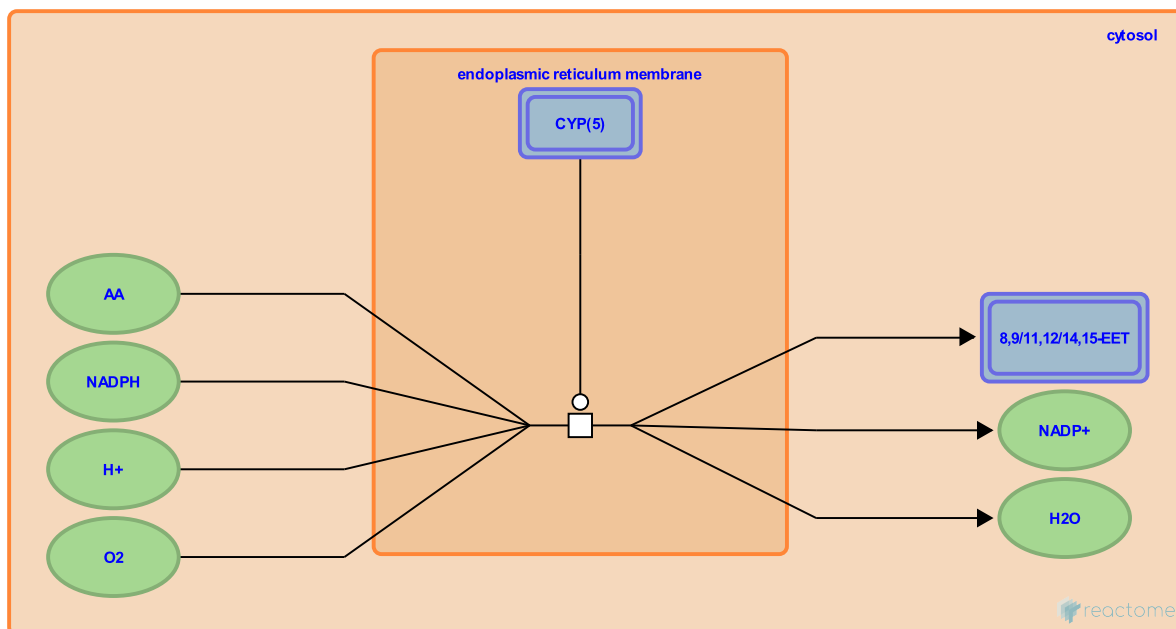
Arachidonic acid is epoxidated to 8,9/11,12/14,15-EET by CYP(5) ↗

Location: [Synthesis of epoxy \(EET\) and dihydroxyeicosatrienoic acids \(DHET\)](#)

Stable identifier: R-HSA-2161899

Type: transition

Compartments: endoplasmic reticulum membrane, cytosol



Several cytochrome P450s (CYPs) convert arachidonic acid to 8,9-, 11,12-, and 14,15-epoxyeicosatrienoic acids (8,9-, 11,12-, 14,15-EETs). The CYPs and their references are as follows: CYP1A1, CYP1A2, CYP1B1 (Choudhary et al. 2004); CYP2C8, CYP2C9 (Rifkind et al. 1995); CYP2C19 (Bylund et al. 1998, Rifkind et al. 1995); CYP2J2 (Wu et al. 1996).

Followed by: [EET\(1\) is hydrolysed to DHET\(1\) by EPHX2](#)

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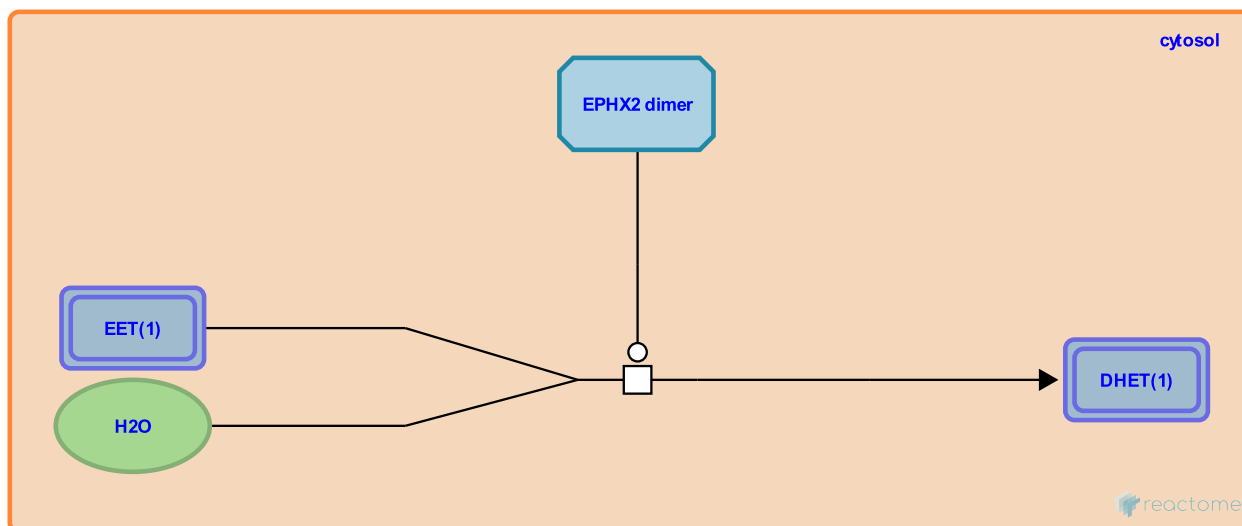
EET(1) is hydrolysed to DHET(1) by EPHX2 ↗

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Type: transition

Compartments: cytosol



Epoxye hydrolase 2 (EPHX2) hydrolyses 5,6-, 8,9-, 11,12-, and 14,15-epoxyeicosatrienoic acids ("EET(1)") to their corresponding dihydroxyeicosatrienoic acids ("DHET(1)") (Werner et al. 2002; Gomez et al. 2004). The majority of the EET biological activities are diminished by this hydrolysis.

Preceded by: [Arachidonic acid is epoxidated to 8,9/11,12/14,15-EET by CYP\(5\)](#), [Arachidonic acid is epoxidated to 5,6-EET by CYP\(4\)](#)

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