

**Table.** Ion channel conductance and selectivity

Channel	Preparation	Ionic condition <sup>c</sup>	$\gamma$ , pS	Selectivity	Reference
<b>A. Ion-specific channels</b>					
Na <sup>+</sup> channel	Squid axon ( <i>N</i> )	450 Na <sub>o</sub> /50 Na <sub>i</sub>	7	Na <sup>+</sup> (1) ~ Li <sup>+</sup> > K <sup>+</sup> (0.09) <sup>a</sup>	[27]
	Frog node ( <i>N</i> )	105 Na <sub>o</sub> /5 Na <sub>i</sub>	8		
	Tunicate egg ( <i>N</i> )	100 Na <sub>o</sub>	3		[114]
	Rat muscle ( <i>P</i> )	140 Na <sub>o</sub>	18		[126]
	Frog skin ( <i>N</i> )	60 Na <sub>o</sub>	6	Na <sup>+</sup> (1) ~ Li <sup>+</sup> ≫ Rb <sup>+</sup> , K <sup>+</sup> (0.001) <sup>a</sup>	[16, 90, 118]
K <sup>+</sup> channel (delayed rectifier)	Squid axon ( <i>N</i> )	10 K <sub>o</sub> /400 K <sub>i</sub>	12	K <sup>+</sup> (1) > Rb <sup>+</sup> > NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> (0.3) ≧ Cs <sup>+</sup> , Na <sup>+</sup> Li <sup>+</sup> b	[27]
	Squid axon ( <i>P</i> )	460 K <sub>o</sub> /1 K <sub>i</sub>	18		[28]
	Squid axon ( <i>T</i> )	400 K	3		[7]
	Frog node ( <i>N</i> )	2.5 K <sub>o</sub> /140 K <sub>i</sub>	4	Tl <sup>+</sup> (2.3) > K <sup>+</sup> (1) > Rb <sup>+</sup> > NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> (0.13) ≧ Na <sup>+</sup> , Li <sup>+</sup> b	[64, 65]
	Helix neuron ( <i>N</i> )	110 K	2	Tl <sup>+</sup> (1.3) > K <sup>+</sup> (1) > Rb <sup>+</sup> > Cs <sup>+</sup> > Li <sup>+</sup> > Na <sup>+</sup> (0.08) <sup>a</sup>	[121]
K <sup>+</sup> channel (inward rectifier)	Frog muscle ( <i>N</i> )	150 K <sub>o</sub>	10		[125]
	Rat muscle ( <i>P</i> )	150 K	10		[48, 116]
	Tunicate egg ( <i>N</i> )	100 K <sub>o</sub> /400 K <sub>i</sub>	7	Tl <sup>+</sup> (1.5) > K <sup>+</sup> (1) > Rb <sup>+</sup> > NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> (0.04) ≧ Cs <sup>+</sup> , Na <sup>+</sup> , Li <sup>+</sup> b	[57]
K <sup>+</sup> channel (Ca <sup>2+</sup> -activated)	Tunicate egg ( <i>P</i> )	50 K <sub>o</sub> /400 K <sub>i</sub>	5		[115]
	Human erythrocyte ( <i>P</i> )	100 K	18	K <sup>+</sup> ≧ Na <sup>+</sup> b	[59]
Cl <sup>-</sup> channel	Helix neuron ( <i>P</i> )	4 K <sub>o</sub> /400 K <sub>i</sub>	19	K <sup>+</sup> ≧ Na <sup>+</sup> b	[92]
	<i>Torpedo</i> electroplax ( <i>B</i> )	150 Cl	9	Cl <sup>-</sup> (1) > Br <sup>-</sup> (0.3) ≧ I <sup>-</sup> , F <sup>-</sup> c	[106, 134]
<b>B. Valence-selective channels</b>					
EIM	Bilayer	100 K	400	Cs <sup>+</sup> (1) > Rb <sup>+</sup> > K <sup>+</sup> > Na <sup>+</sup> > Li <sup>+</sup> (0.4) <sup>c</sup>	[40, 81]
Gramicidin A	Bilayer	100 Cs	15	Cs <sup>+</sup> (1) > Rb <sup>+</sup> > K <sup>+</sup> > Na <sup>+</sup> > Li <sup>+</sup> (0.07) <sup>b</sup>	[108]
Acetylcholine receptor	Frog muscle ( <i>P</i> )	100 Na <sub>o</sub>	35		[109]
	Rat muscle ( <i>P</i> )	100 Na	40		[71]
	Rat muscle ( <i>P</i> )	150 Na <sub>o</sub> /150 K <sub>i</sub>	35, 25 <sup>a</sup>	Cs <sup>+</sup> > K <sup>+</sup> > Na <sup>+</sup> > Li <sup>+</sup> (0.7) <sup>c</sup>	[61]
	<i>Torpedo</i> electroplax ( <i>B</i> )	100 Na	16		[112]
Glutamate receptor	Locust muscle ( <i>P</i> )	200 Na <sub>o</sub>	130	K <sup>+</sup> ~ Na <sup>+</sup> b	[120]
Cation channel (Ca <sup>2+</sup> -activated)	Rat heart ( <i>P</i> )	140 Na	35	K <sup>+</sup> ~ Na <sup>+</sup> b	[26]
	Neuroblastoma ( <i>P</i> )	120 Na	22	Cs <sup>+</sup> ~ K <sup>+</sup> ~ Na <sup>+</sup> c	[138]
Cation channel	Calf heart ( <i>B</i> )	100 K	95	K <sup>+</sup> ~ Na <sup>+</sup> c	[30]
Cation channel	Calf heart ( <i>B</i> )	100 K	28	K <sup>+</sup> > Na <sup>+</sup> (0.2) <sup>c</sup>	[30]
Cation channel	Calf heart ( <i>B</i> )	100 K	18	K <sup>+</sup> (1) > Na <sup>+</sup> (0.3) <sup>c</sup>	[30]
Anion channel	Bovine heart ( <i>B</i> )	100 Cl	55	Br <sup>-</sup> (1) > Cl <sup>-</sup> > I <sup>-</sup> > F <sup>-</sup> (0.4) <sup>c</sup>	[30, 35]
<b>C. Nonselective channels</b>					
Hemocyanin	Keyhole limpet ( <i>B</i> )	100 K	200	K <sup>+</sup> (1) > Na <sup>+</sup> > Cl <sup>-</sup> > Li <sup>+</sup> (0.1) <sup>c</sup>	[24, 82, 99]
Porin	<i>E. coli</i> ( <i>B</i> )	100 Na	140–480	None <sup>d</sup>	[18, 124]
Porin	Mitochondria ( <i>B</i> )	100 K	450	None <sup>d</sup>	[25]
Alamethicin (state 5)	Bilayer	120 Na	630	None <sup>d</sup>	[41, 123]
<b>D. Maxi-K<sup>+</sup> channels</b>					
SR K <sup>+</sup> channel	Rabbit SR ( <i>B</i> )	100 K	130	K <sup>+</sup> (1) > Rb <sup>+</sup> > Na <sup>+</sup> > Li <sup>+</sup> (0.03) Cs <sup>+</sup> c	[34]
	Frog SR ( <i>B</i> )	100	150, 50 <sup>a</sup>	K <sup>+</sup> (1) > Rb <sup>+</sup> > Na <sup>+</sup> > Li <sup>+</sup> (0.07) ≧ Cs <sup>+</sup> c	[80]
K <sup>+</sup> channel (Ca <sup>2+</sup> -activated)	Rabbit T-tubule ( <i>B</i> )	100 K	230	K <sup>+</sup> (1) ≧ Rb <sup>+</sup> , Na <sup>+</sup> , Li <sup>+</sup> , Cs <sup>+</sup> b	[84]
	Chromaffin cell ( <i>P</i> )	140 K	180		[93]
	Rat myotubes ( <i>P</i> )	140 K	187		[117]
	Rat pituitary ( <i>P</i> )	145 K	208		[135]
	Frog neuron ( <i>P</i> )	2.5 K <sub>o</sub> /100 K <sub>i</sub>	100	K <sup>+</sup> ≧ Na <sup>+</sup> b	[2]
	Rat axolemma ( <i>B</i> )	100 K	230		[78]
Rat muscle ( <i>P</i> )	150 K	240		[100]	

(*N*) Macroscopic noise method; (*P*) Patch method; (*B*) Planar bilayer method; (*T*) TEA-block method;

<sup>a</sup> Multiple open states;

<sup>b</sup> Selectivity determined from reversal potential.

<sup>c</sup> Selectivity determined from channel conductance.

<sup>d</sup> "None" indicates channels allowing permeation of molecules up to 500 molecular weight.

<sup>e</sup> Reported as concentration (in mM) of major conducting ion. Where no designation of internal or external concentration is given, symmetrical ionic conditions apply.