

Table 4
Model parameter values that best simulated flash photocurrents in dark adapted tiger salamander rods.^a

	Parameters	Category	Units	Rod 1		Rod 2		Rod 3	
VP*	Intensity	Statistical	VP*	53	3509	53	3509	53	3509
GRK	γ_{max}	Adjustable	$\mu\text{M/s}$	3.03		2.7	3.0	2.9	
	μ_0	Invariant	$\mu\text{M/s}$	0.5					
	ω_γ	Invariant		0.1					
T*	Ψ_0	Adjustable	1/s	^b 73		80		62	
	ω_{act}	Invariant		^c 0.69					
PDE*	ϵ_{sub}	Invariant	$\mu\text{M/s per molecule}$	^d 0.0083					
	k_{cat}	Adjustable	1/s	^e 5×10^3					
	α_{PDE}	Adjustable	1/s	^f 0.59		1.0	0.83	0.89	0.78
GC	V_{GC}^{max}	Adjustable	$\mu\text{M/s}$	^g 26.1		26.2		26.4	
	K_{Ca}^{GC}	Invariant	μM	0.2					
	n_{GC}	Invariant		1.5					
Ca ²⁺ influx	i_{Ca}^{in}	Statistical	$\mu\text{M/s}$	19.5		16.8		13.1	
	P_t	Invariant		^h 0.14					
Ca ²⁺ buffer	K_{HA}	Adjustable	μM	ⁱ 0.056					
	C_H	Adjustable	μM	5		8.5		8	
	B	Adjustable		1		1		2	
Ca ²⁺ efflux	J_{Ca}^{max}	Statistical	pA	18.3		18.5		18.74	
	K_{Ca}^{exc}	Invariant	μM	^j 1.6					

^a Values of parameters first used to compute dark current are not repeated here. They have the same values listed in Table 1.

^b Ψ_0 experimental mean value in rods is $\sim 100 \text{ s}^{-1}$ (Leskov et al., 2000).

^c Experimental data (Gibson et al., 2000).

^d The ϵ_{sub} value superficially appears to be 10-fold higher than the β_{sub} value experimentally measured by Leskov et al. (2000) and frequently quoted. However, both values reflect the same PDE hydrolytic activity, k_{cat} ; they are simply defined in different units.

^e Assigned k_{cat} value measured in biochemical assays [(Dumke et al., 1994; D'Amours and Cote, 1999; Zhang et al., 2003; Muradov et al., 2009). ϵ_{sub} is calculated from this assigned value and the salamander rod outer segment cytoplasmic volume (1 pL).

^f Similar to experimental time constant measured in truncated toad rod outer segments ($\sim 2 \text{ s}$) (Rieke and Baylor, 1998).

^g The same parameter has the value 13 $\mu\text{M/s}$ in truncated frog rods (Koutalos et al., 1995a) and 29 $\mu\text{M/s}$ in truncated carp rods (Takemoto et al., 2009).

^h Experimental value (Ohya et al., 2000).

ⁱ Experimental mean values are $K_{HA} \ll 0.7 \mu\text{M}$, $C_{HA} 37 \mu\text{M}$ and $B 16$ (Lagnado et al., 1992).

^j Assigned from the experimentally known value (Lagnado et al., 1992; Sheng et al., 2000).