

Regulation of Piezo2/mechanically-activated (MA) ion channel by static plasma membrane tension

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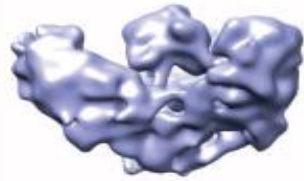
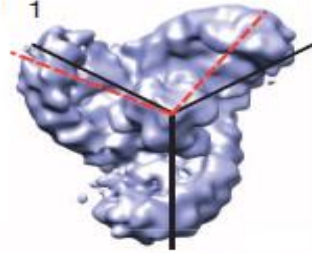
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Force

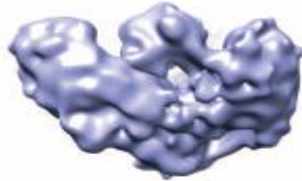
Mechanical transduction

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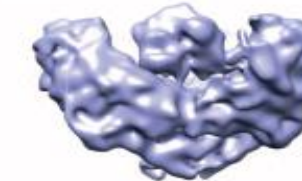
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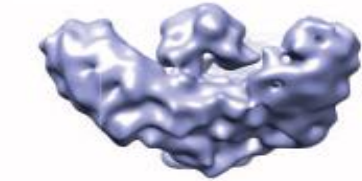
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41.3%

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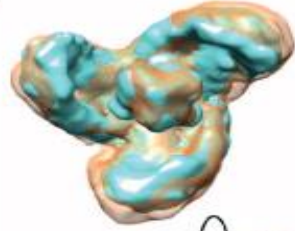
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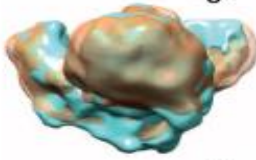


30 pA
100 ms

b



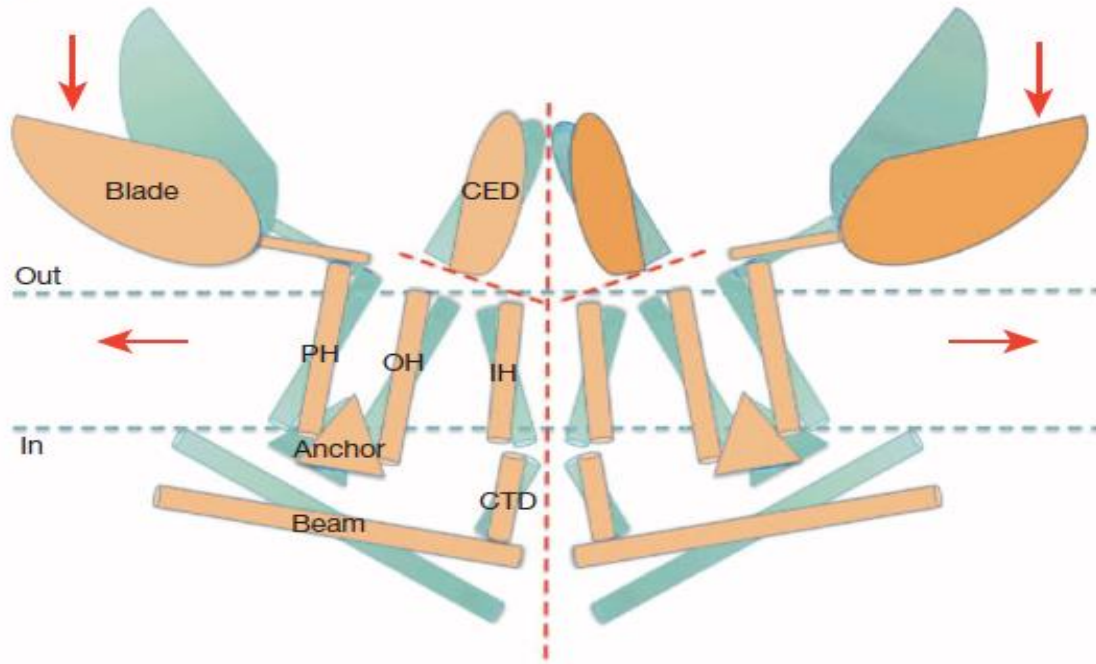
90°



90°



c



Gelinas, G. et al., *Nature*, 2010

Function of PIEZO channel...

- Piezo1 is required for the development of the mouse vasculature.

Li, et al., *Nature*. 2014

- Piezo2 is required for the mechanosensitivity of Merkel cells that detect light touch.

Ikeda, et al., *Cell*. 2014

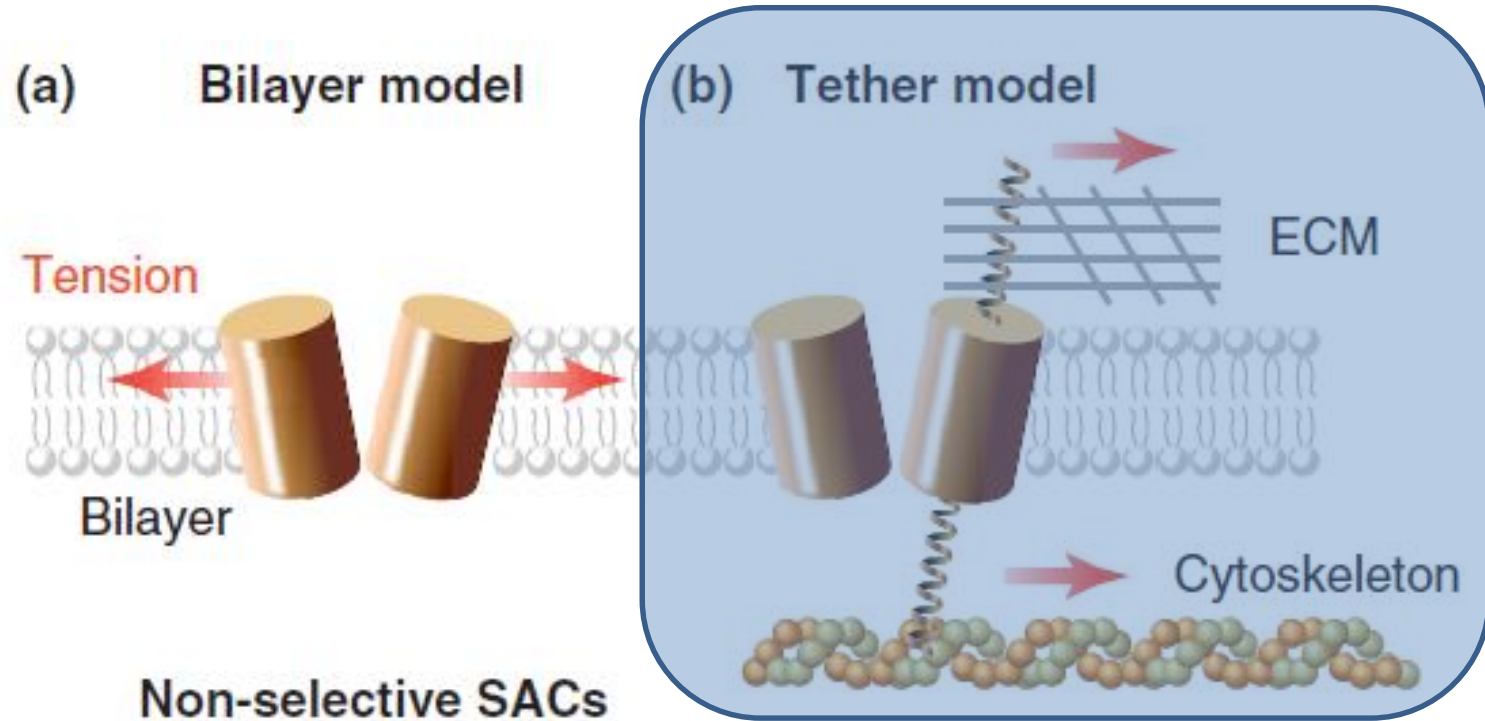
Woo, et al., *Nature*. 2014

- Deletion of Piezo2 in sensory neurons and Merkel cells led to loss of low threshold mechanosensation (LTM).

Ranade, et al., *Nature*. 2014

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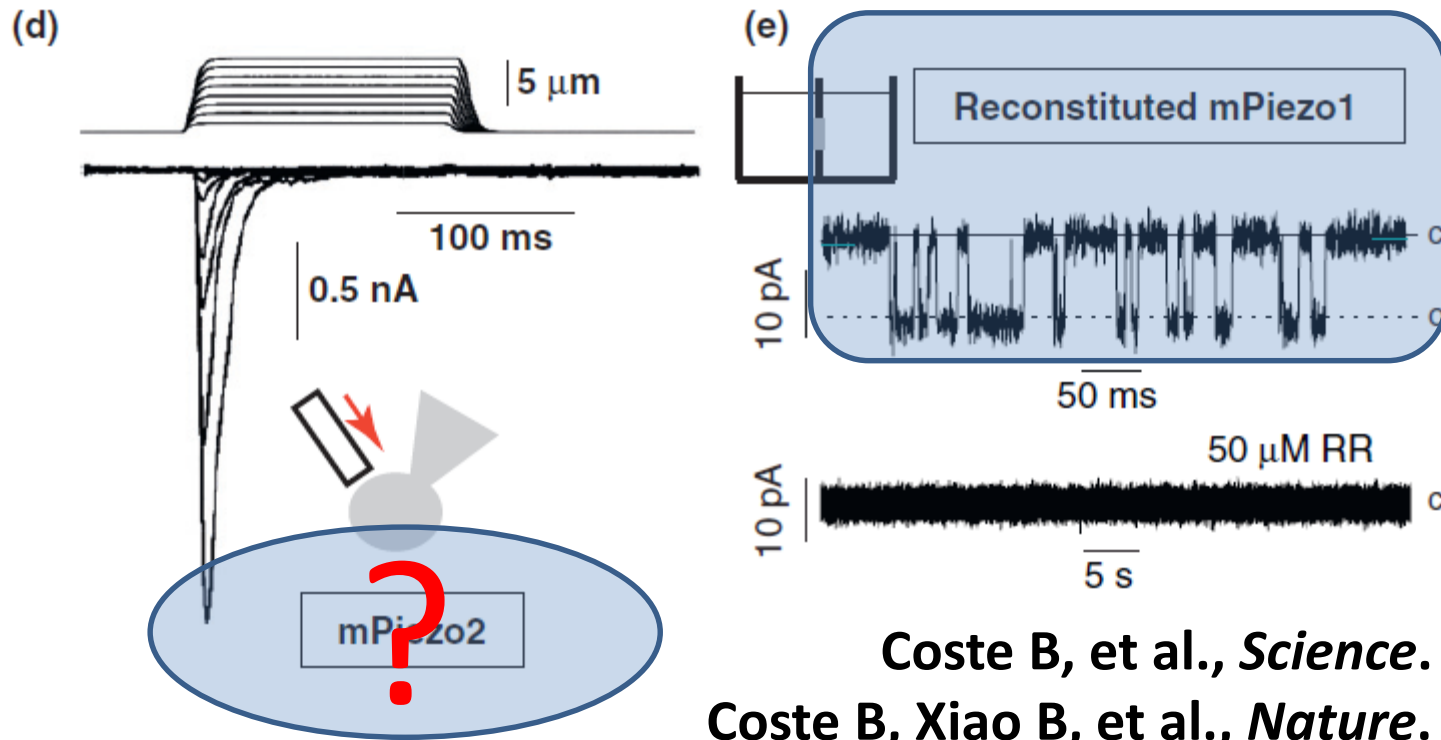
A laminin-like protein filament (~100 nm) may link RA-MA channel to ECM

Piezo 2 ?

Hu J, et al., *EMBO J.* 2010

Nilius B, et al., *Trends in neuroscience.* 2012

Qust. 1, Gating of mechanically activated (MA) channels.



Coste B, et al., *Science*. 2010

Coste B, Xiao B, et al., *Nature*. 2012

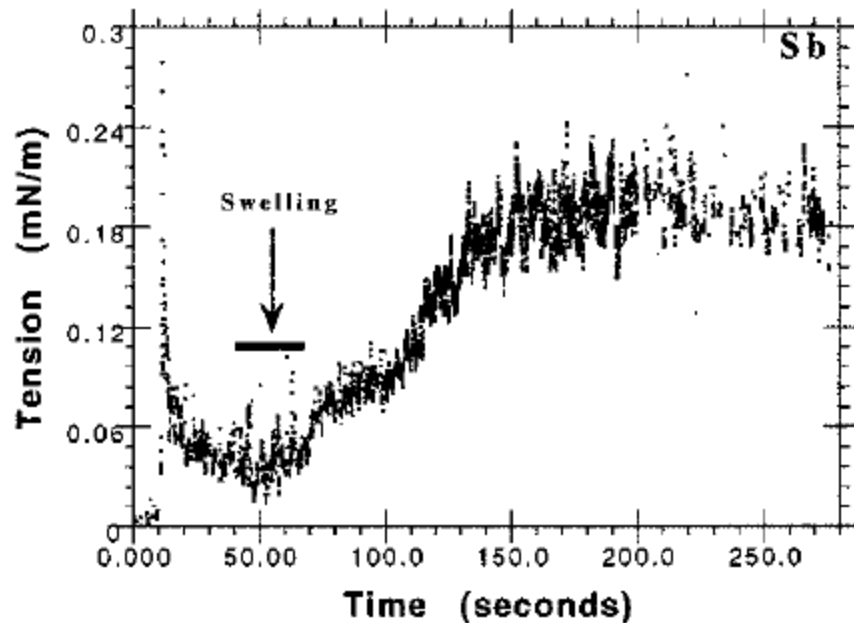
Mechanical sensitivity of **Piezo1** ion channels can be tuned by cellular **membrane tension**.

Lewis AH, et al., *eLife*. 2015

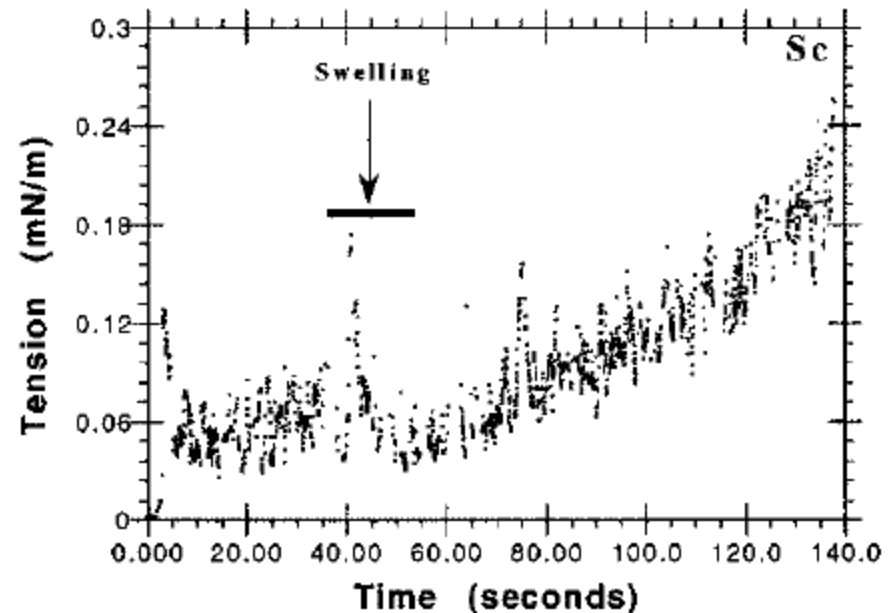
Removal of the mechanoprotective influence of the cytoskeleton reveals **PIEZO1** is gated by **bilayer tension**

Cox CD, et al., *Nat commun*. 2016

Osmotic-induced cell swelling increase the membrane tension.

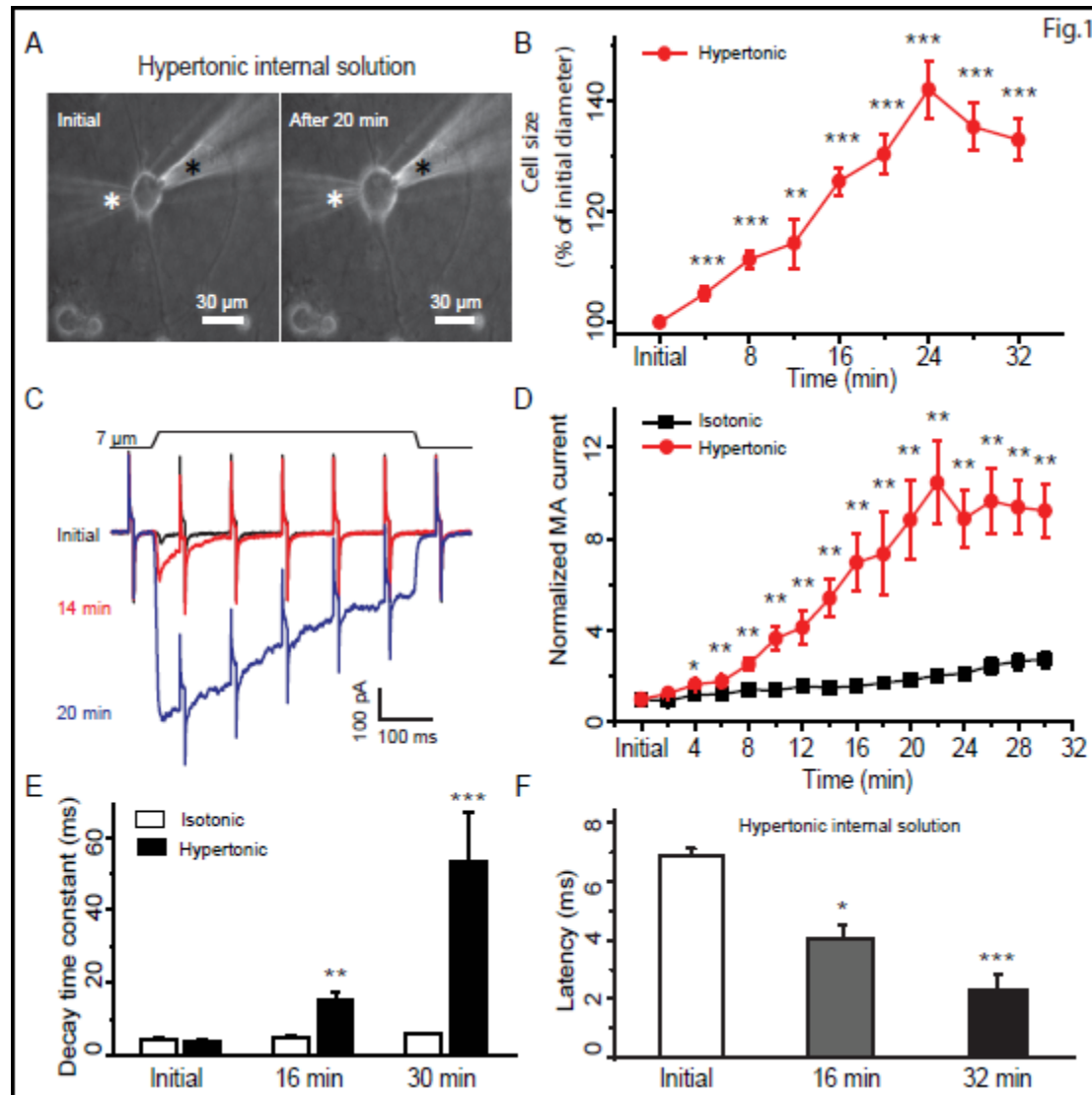


Static tension

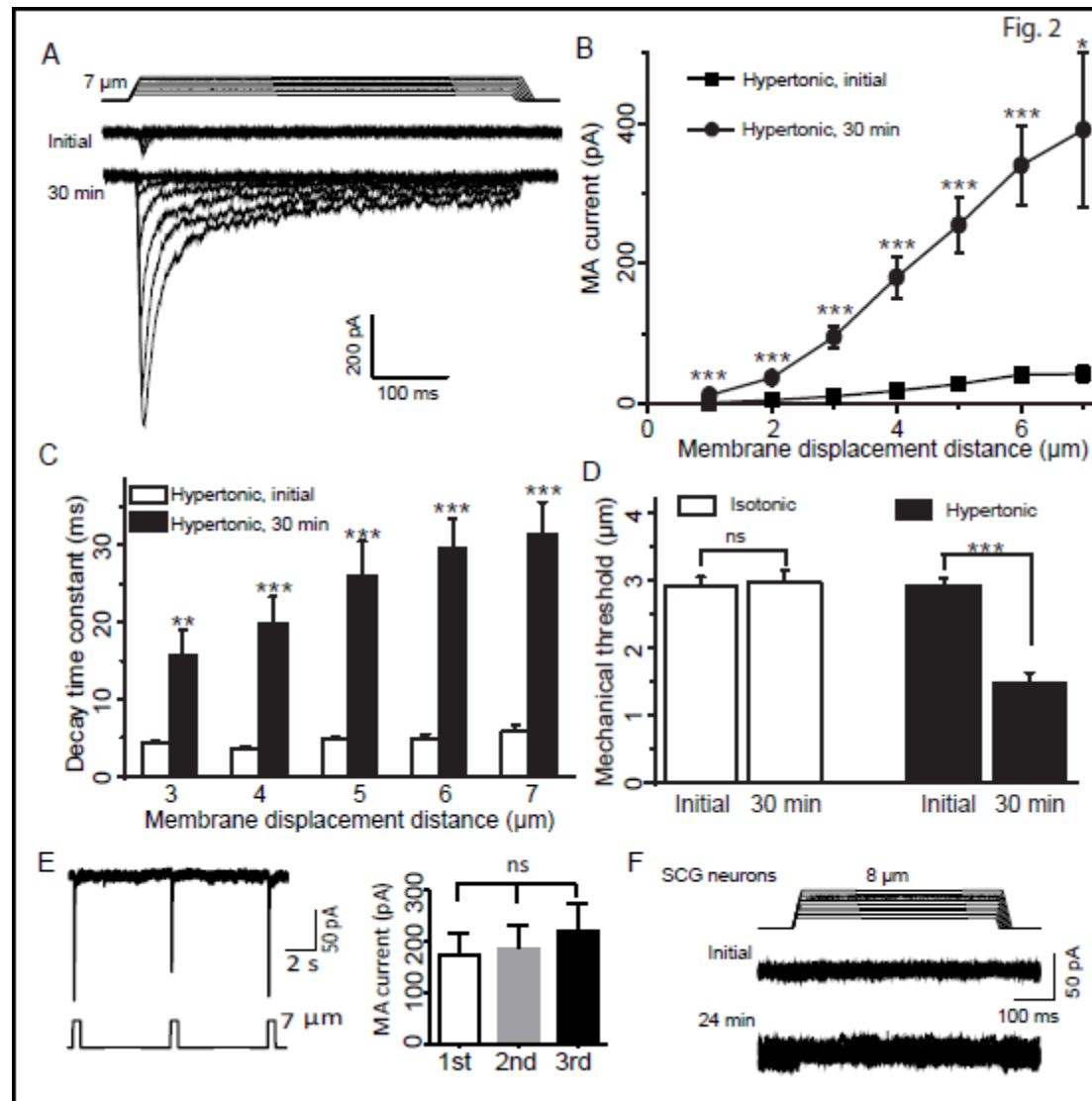


transient tension

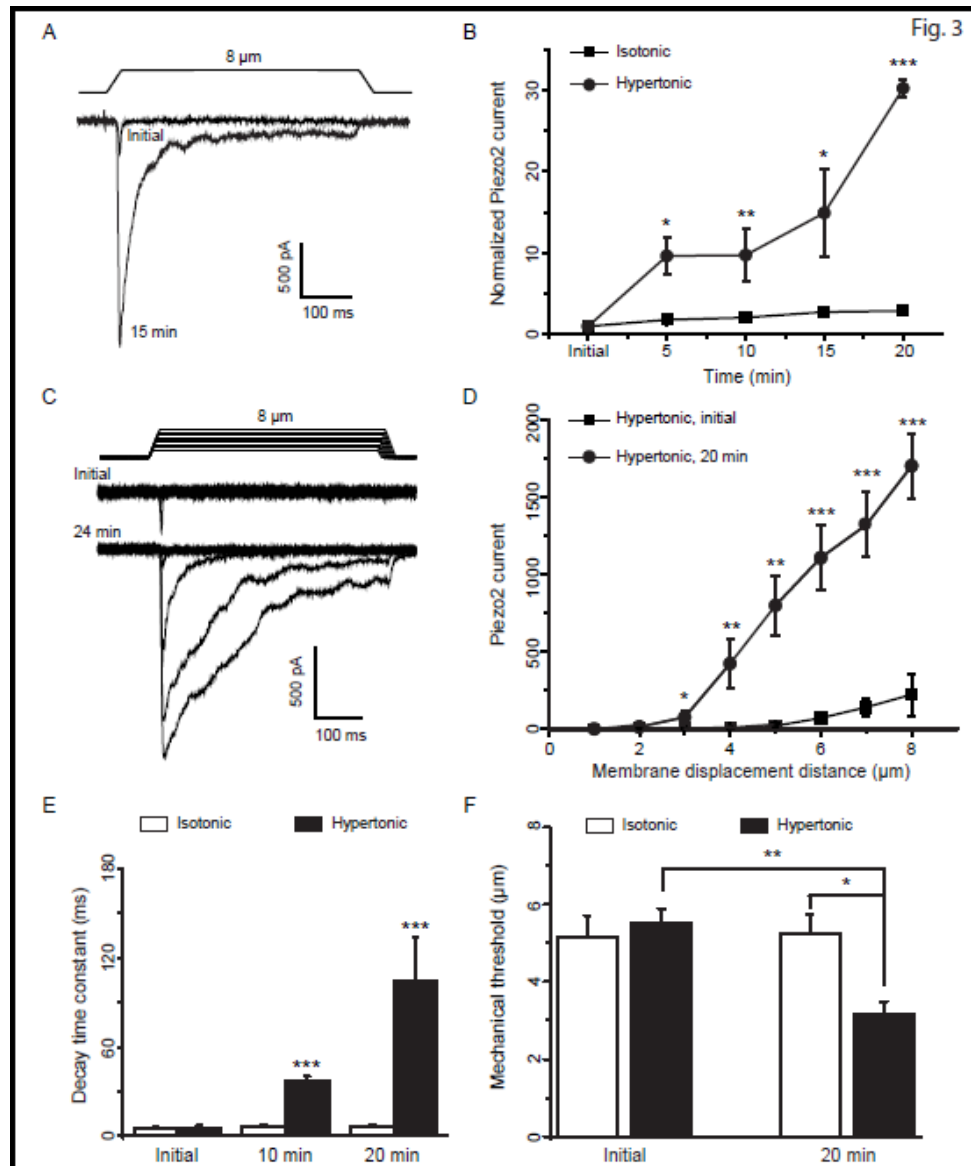
1. Osmotic swelling (420 mOsm) potentiates rapidly adapting mechanically activated (RA-MA) currents in rat DRG neurons.



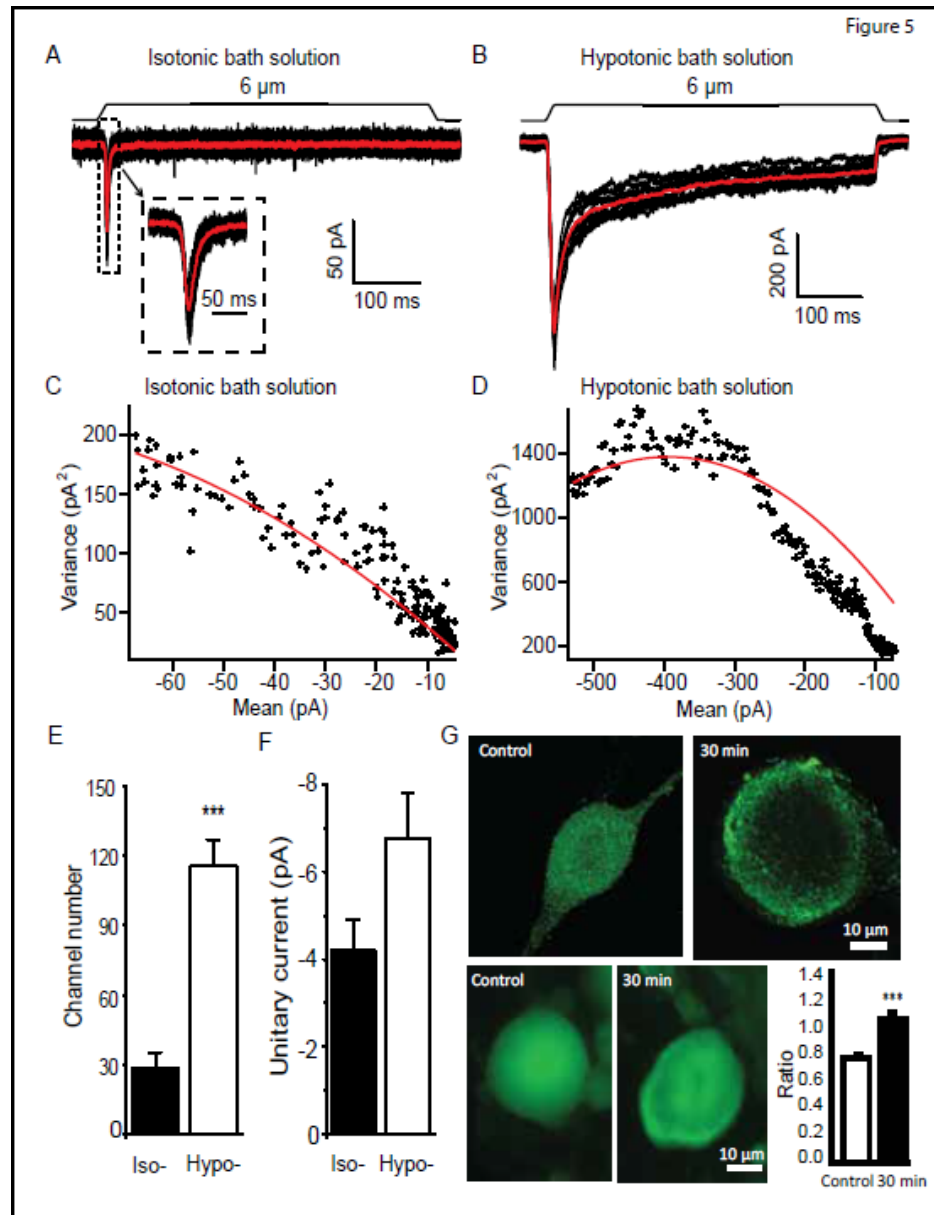
2. Osmotic swelling potentiates DRG neuronal RA-MA currents at different mechanical stimulation intensities.



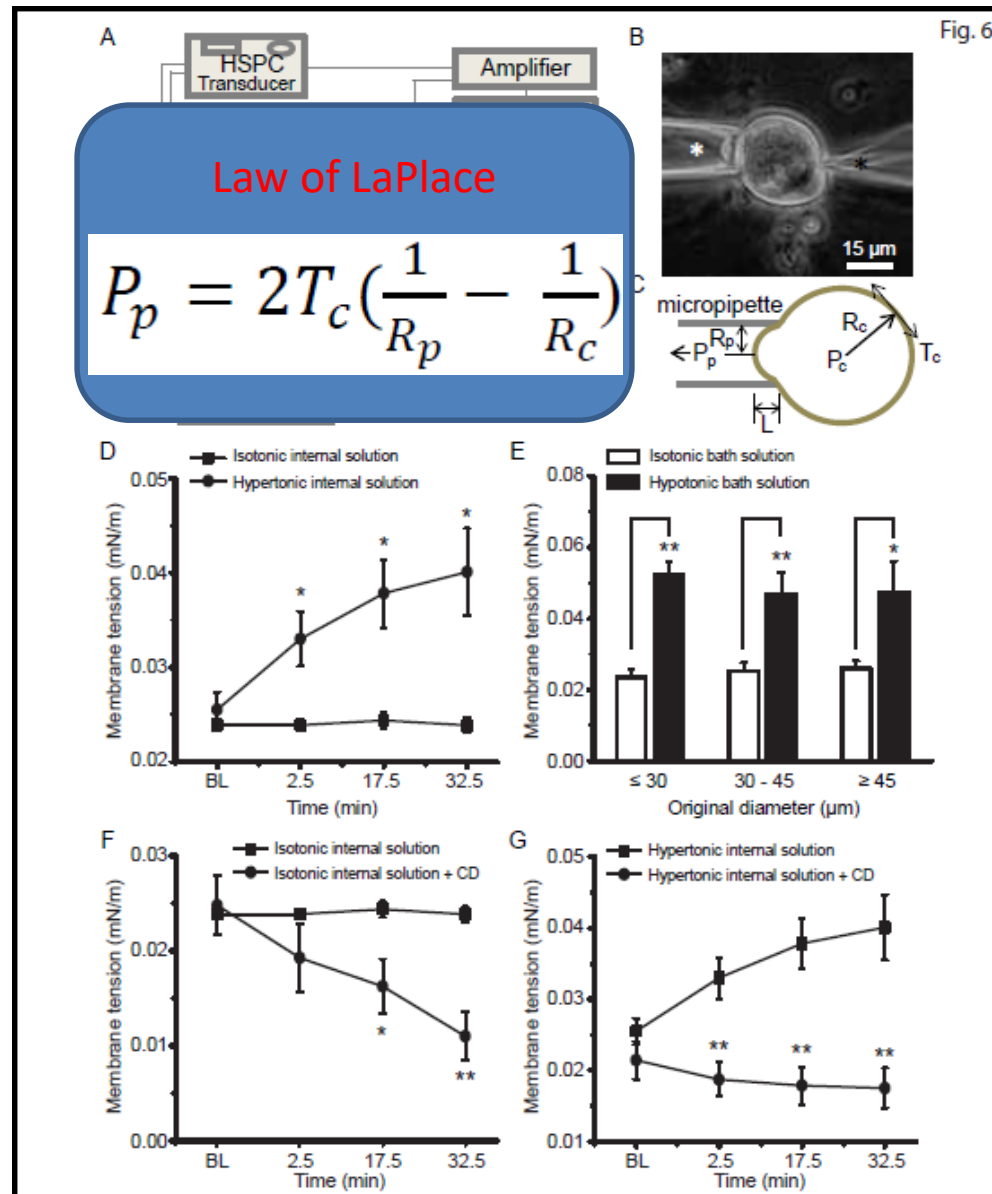
3. Osmotic swelling potentiates RA-MA currents in HEK293 cells expressing Piezo2 channels.



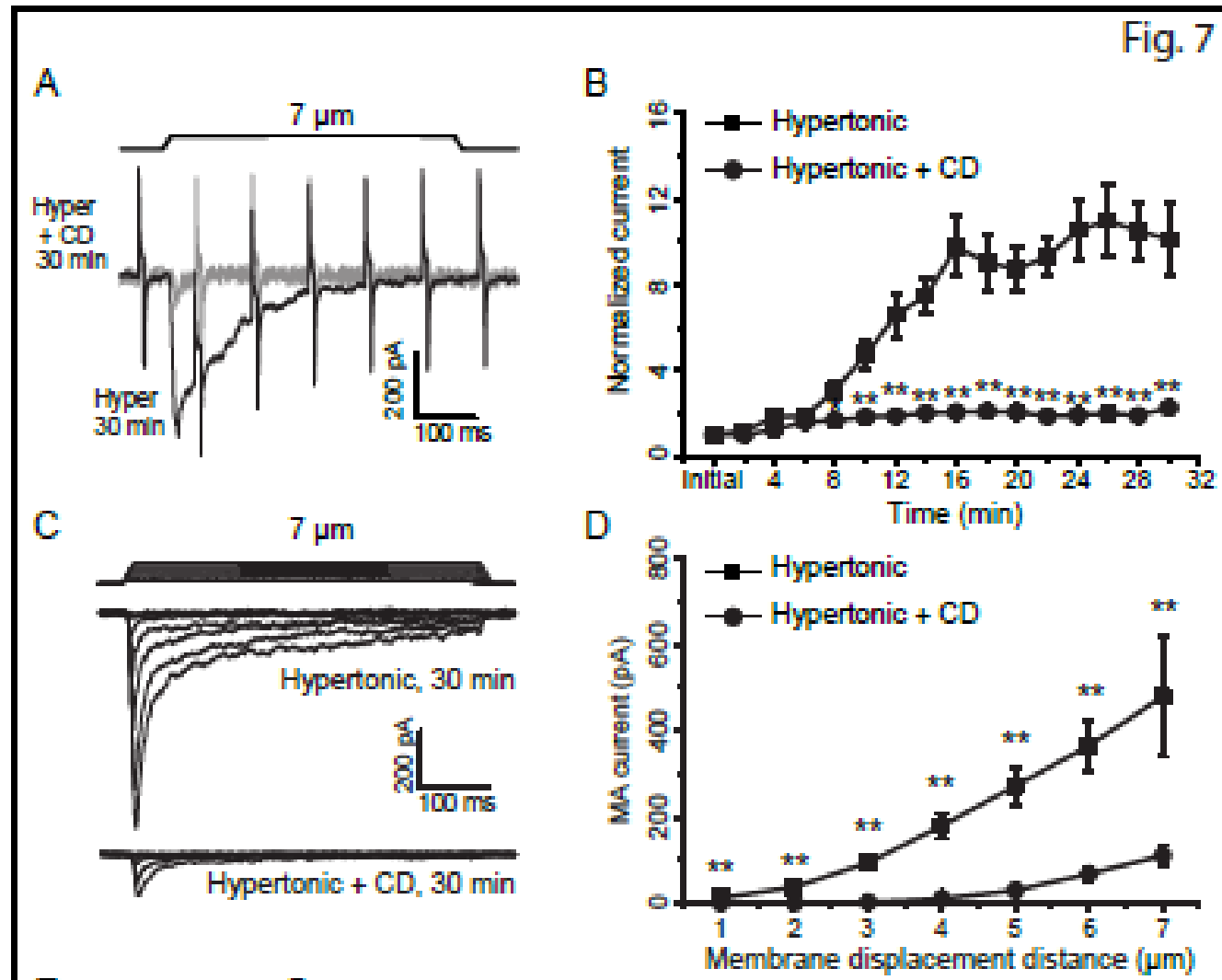
4. Assessment of channel numbers and unitary current sizes of RA-MA channels of rat DRG membranes. (hypo = 220 mOsm)



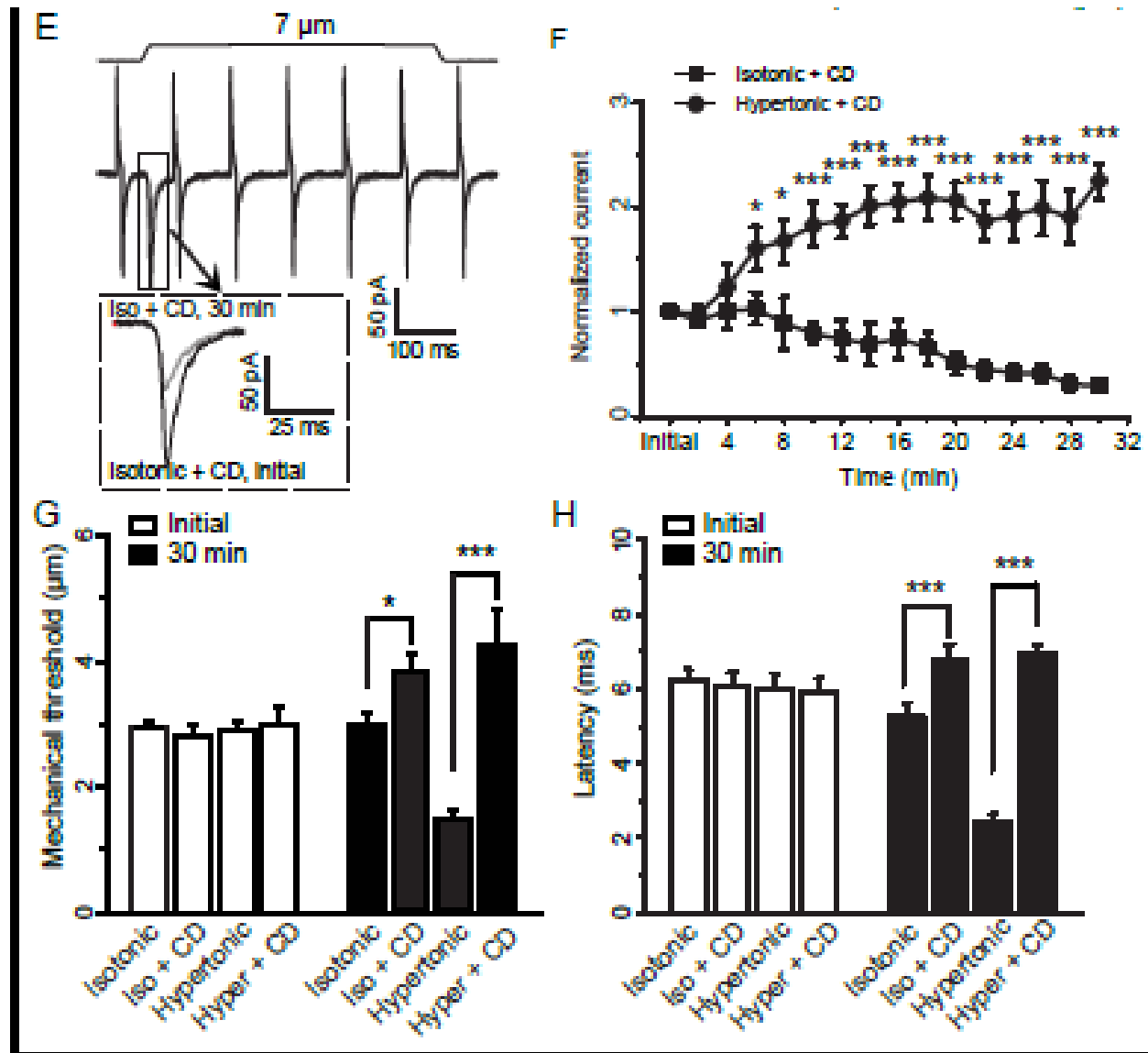
5. Static plasma membrane tension of primary afferent neurons is measured by the micropipette aspiration technique



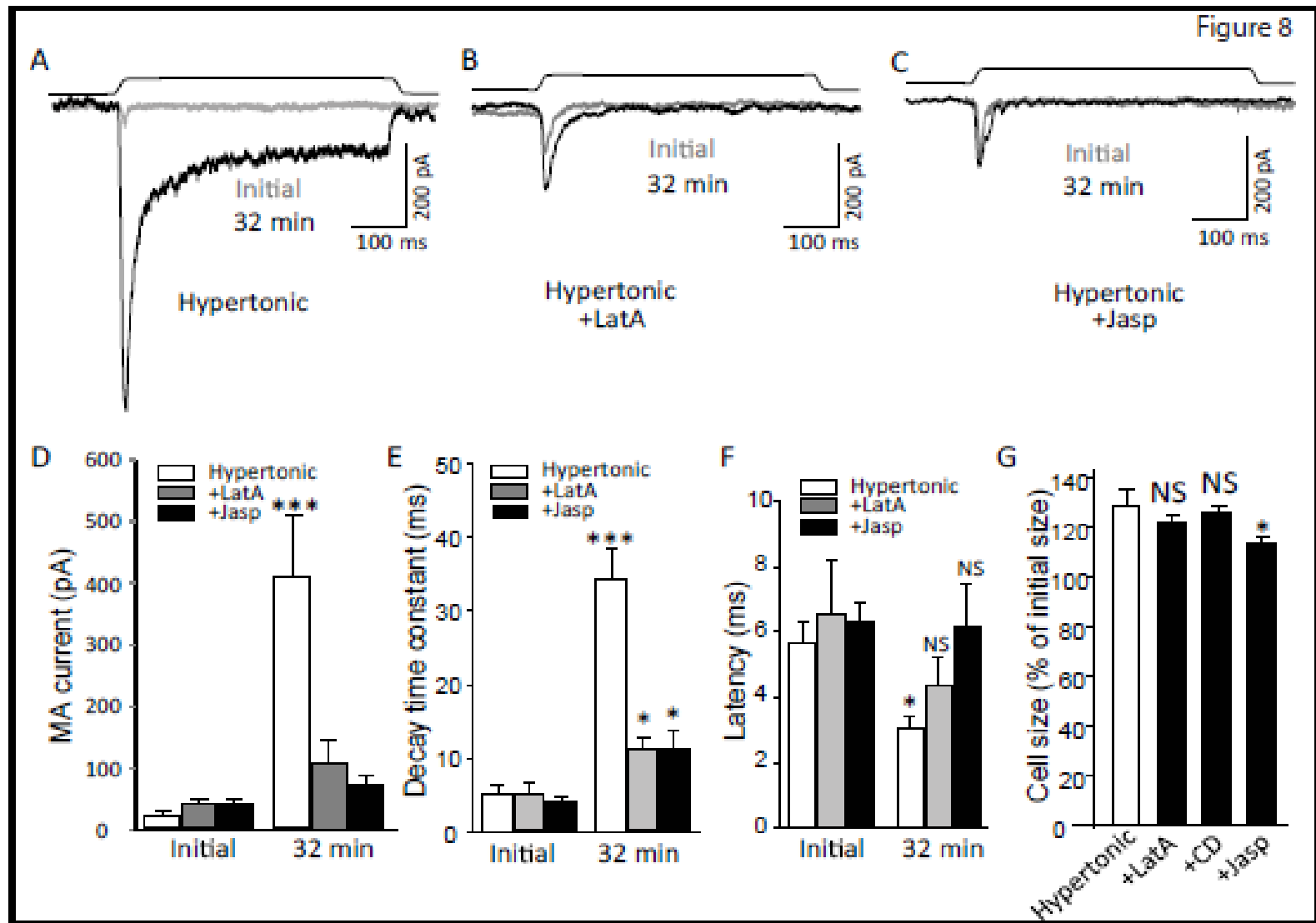
6. Disruption of actin filaments by cytochalasin D (CD) abolishes osmotic swelling-induced potentiation of RA-MA currents.



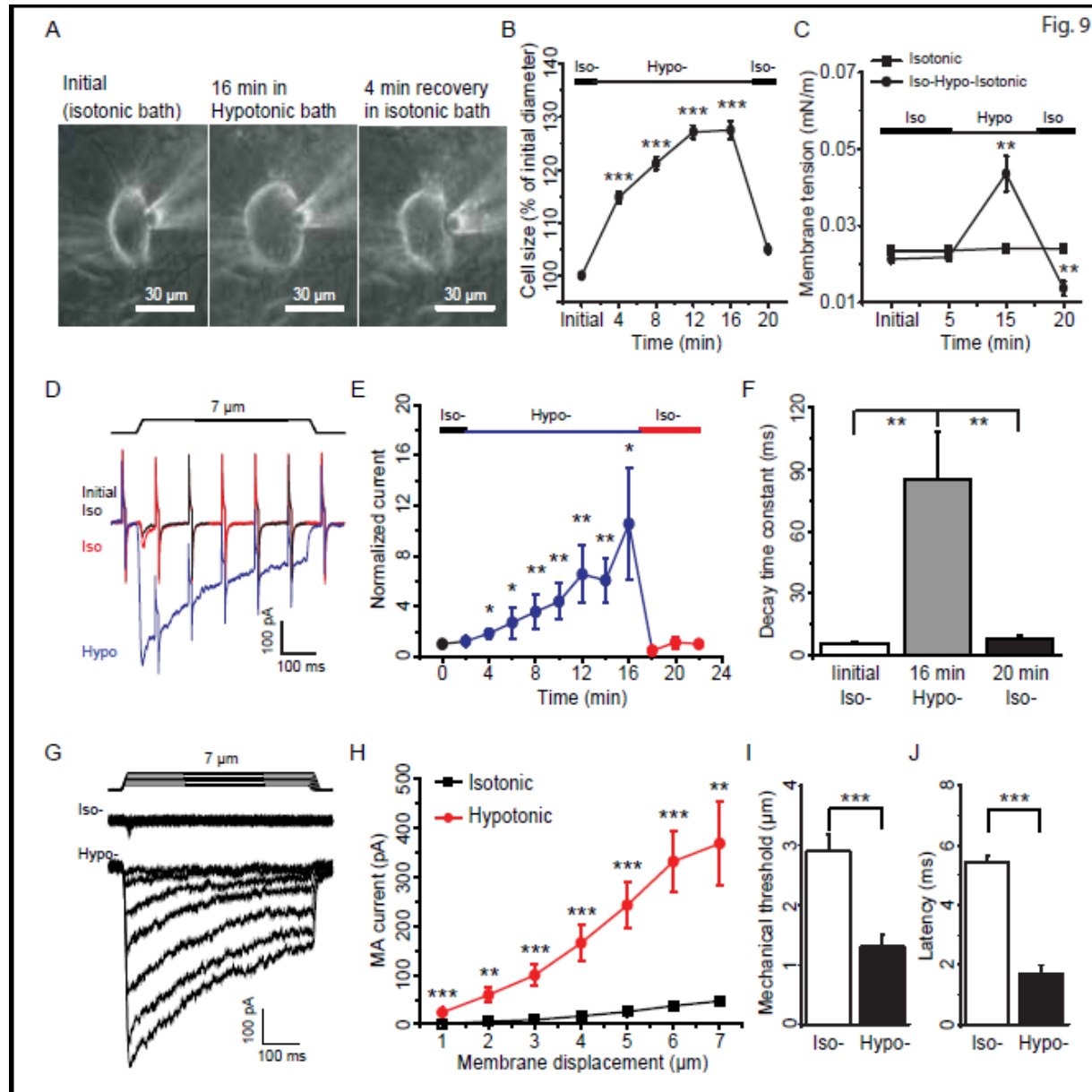
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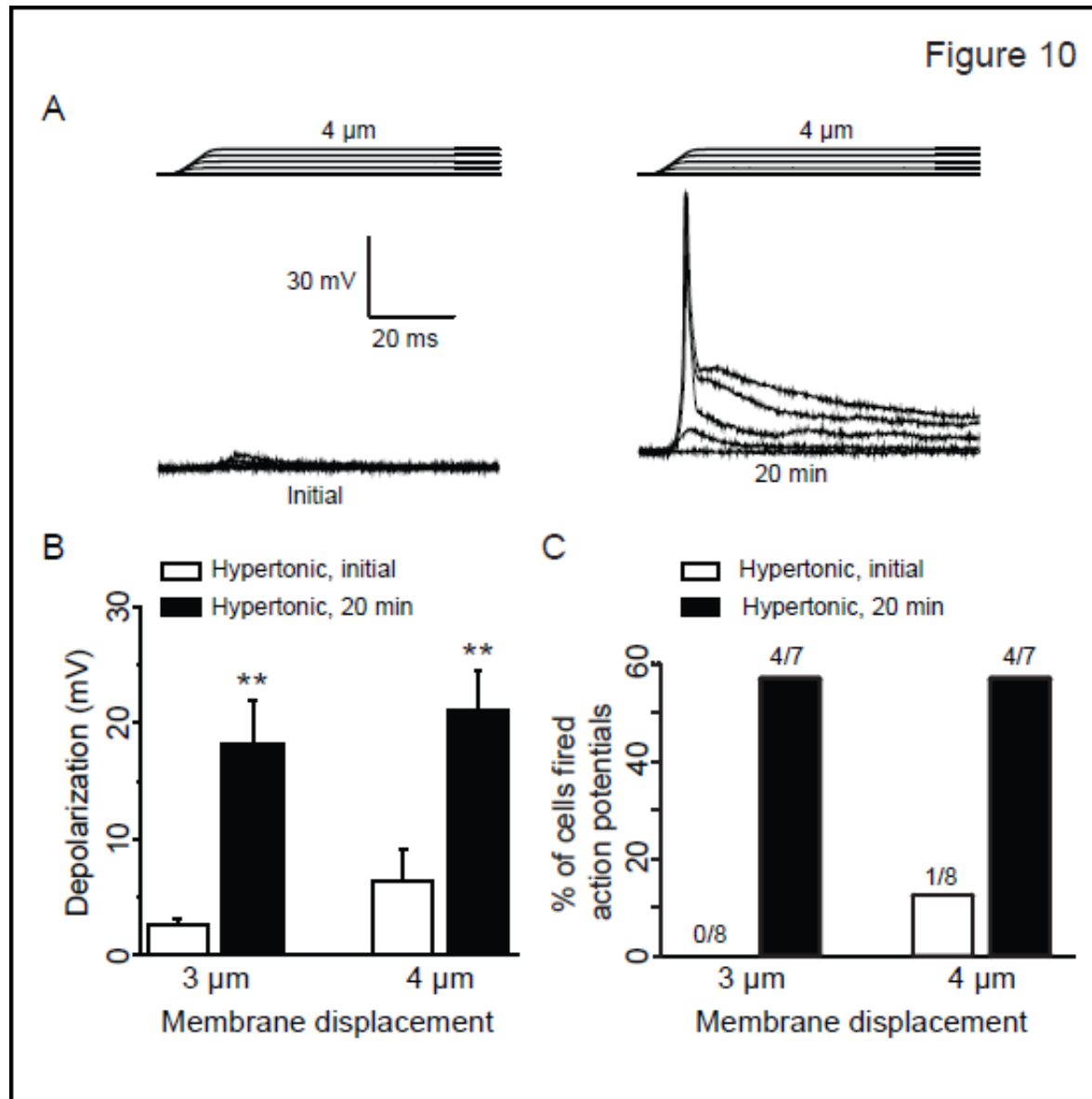
7. Osmotic swelling-induced potentiation of RA-MA currents is diminished by latrunculin A and jasplakinodide.



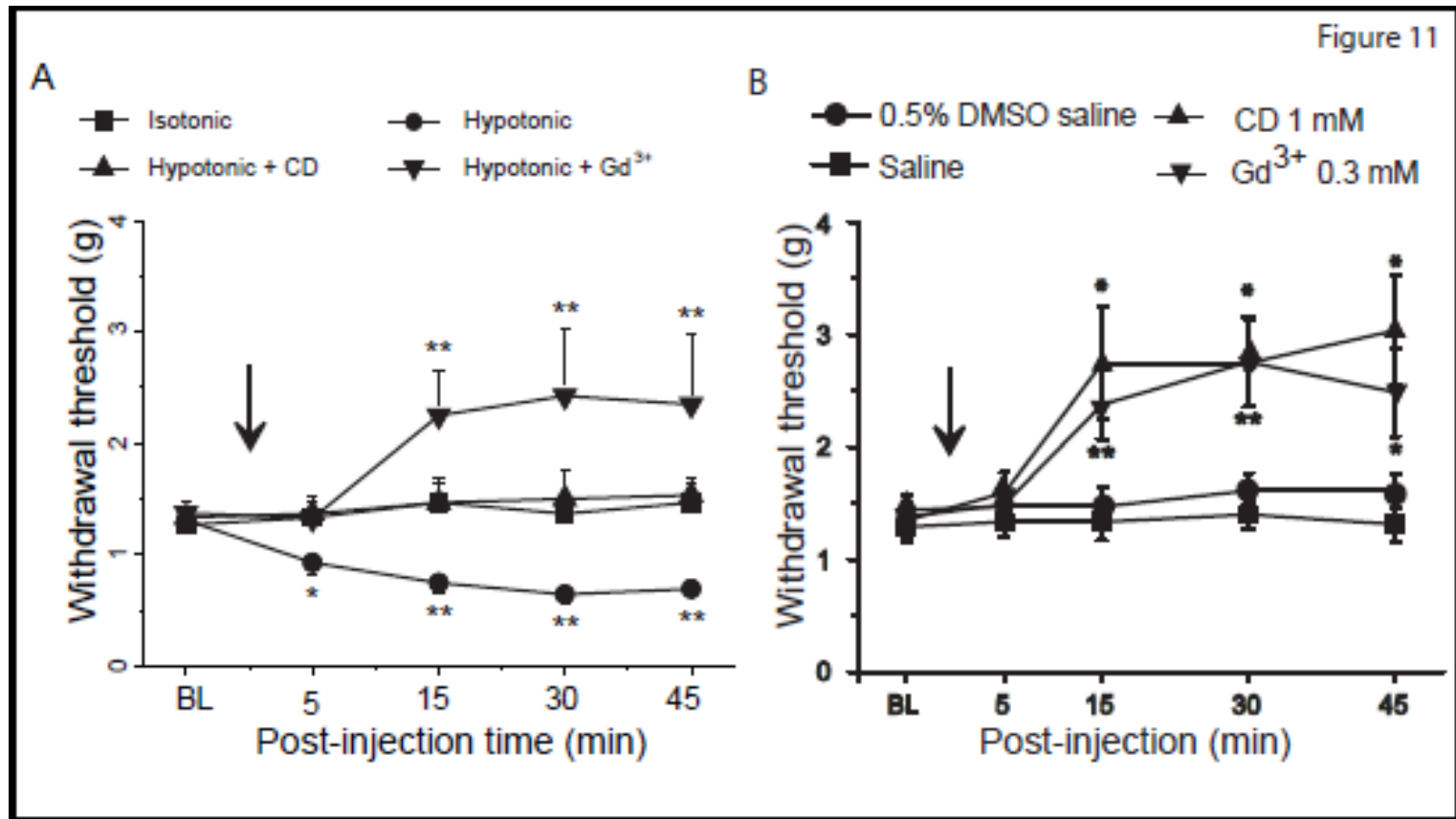
8. Osmotic swelling, static plasma membrane tension, and RA-MA currents can be rapidly reversed in isotonic condition.



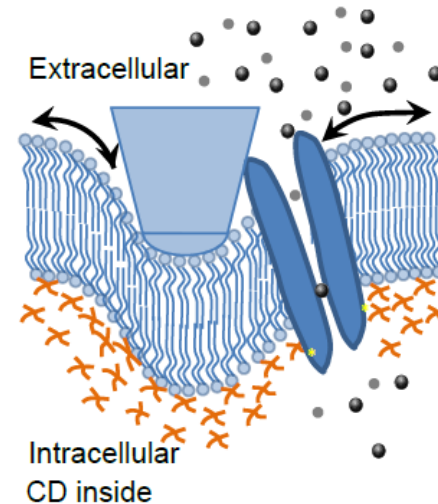
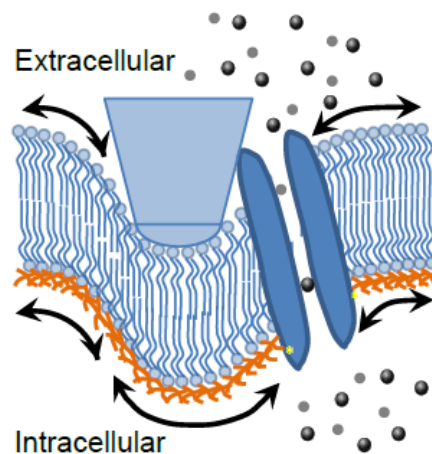
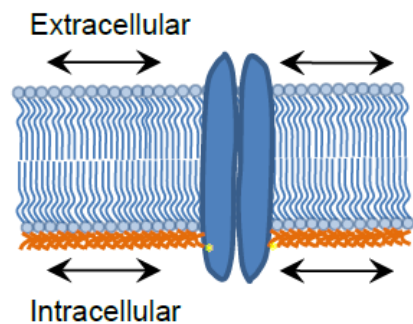
9. Osmotic swelling increases mechano-excitability rat DRG neurons.



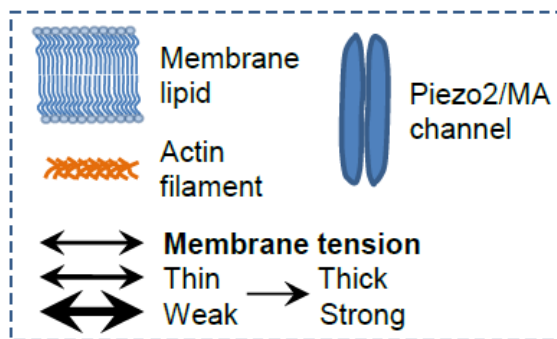
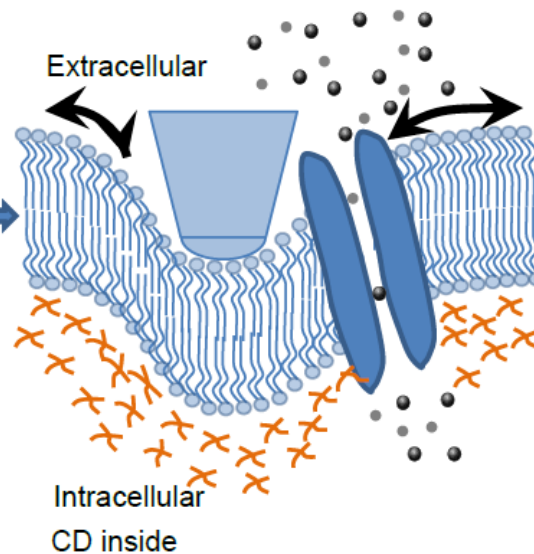
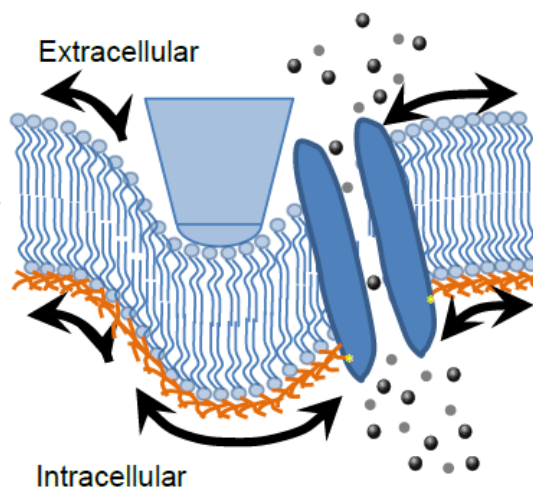
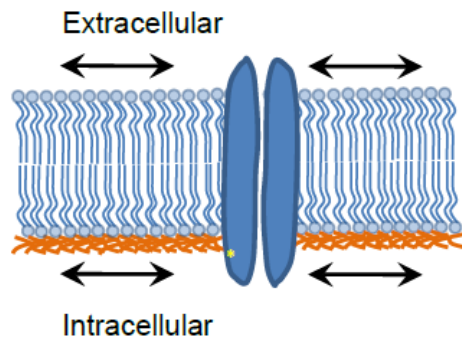
10. Extracellular hypotonicity induces behavioral mechanical hypersensitivity.

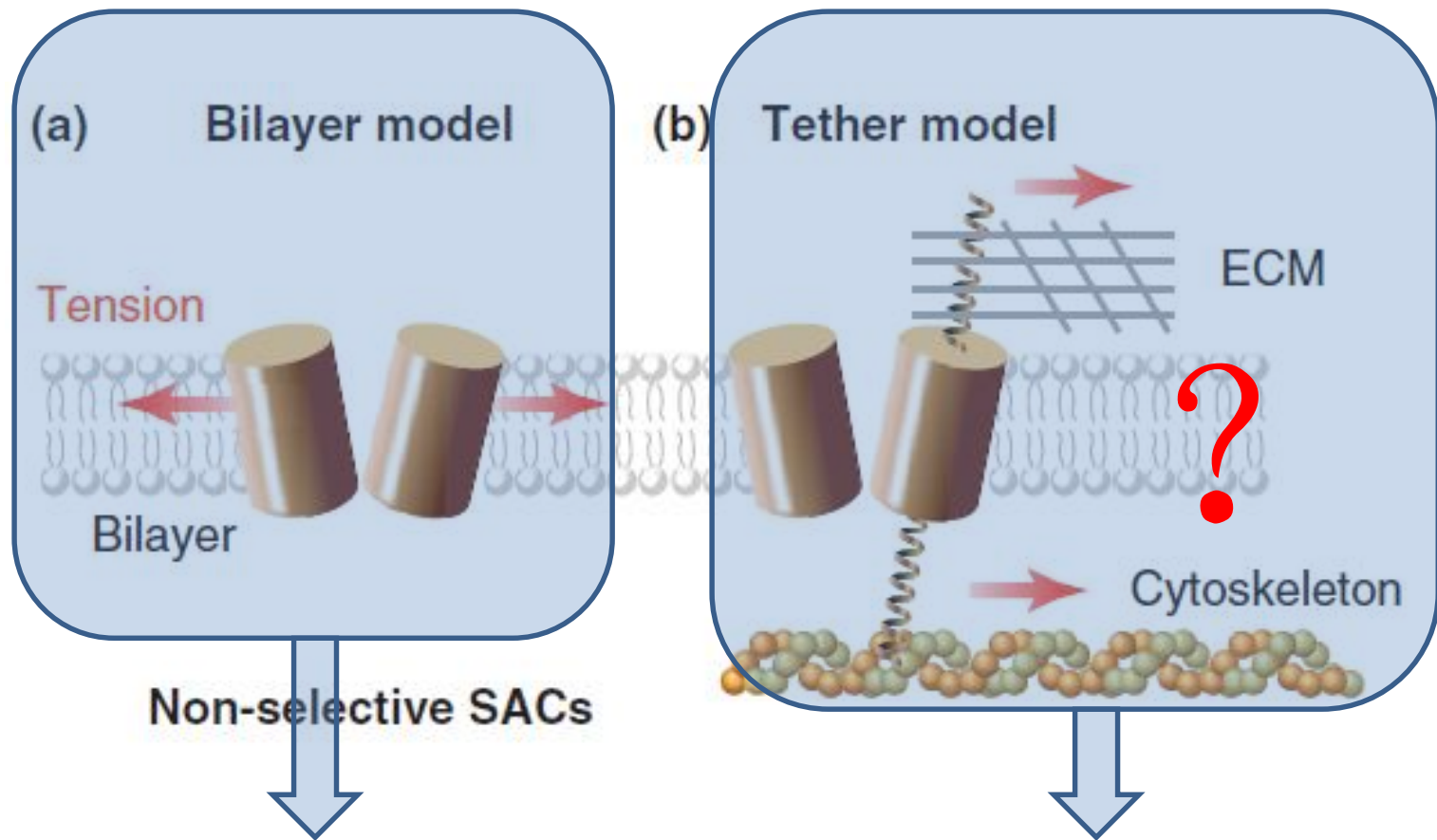


A normal state



B swelling state





**Piezo1/2 MA channel function
positively modulated by
membrane tension**

**Piezo1/2 MA channel function
modulated by tether model?**

Nilius B, et al., *Trends in neuroscience*. 2012

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