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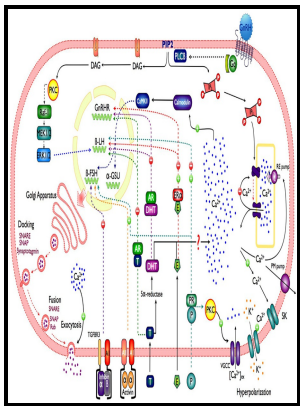

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These half-maximal concentrations are nearly identical with those at which the hCG derivatives inhibit hCG binding half maximally Fig. It is interesting that cyclic-AMP may not only induce HCG synthesis, but also may act as a second messenger in the action of gonadotropins on placental metabolism. The rat pituitary promoter of the neuronal nitric oxide synthase gene contains an Sp1-, LIM homeodomain-dependent enhancer and a distinct bipartite gonadotropin-releasing hormone-responsive region.

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However, in Germany, 12 months treatment with add-back therapy 5 mg of norethisterone per day has been approved, and other countries may do the same in the future. Despite their utility, these GnRH agonists often have side effects, including menopausal-like symptoms hot flashes, insomnia, vaginal dryness , osteoporosis, and headaches, and they can increase the risk of ovarian cysts.

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For eg, dopamine in estrogen-progesterone-primed females tends to trigger the release of LH through GnRH ; dopamine can inhibit the release of LH in ovaries of females.

Hormones in Male Reproductive System

In males, these hormones cause testosterone to accumulate in the testicles. Expression of the pituitary adenylate cyclase-activating polypeptide PACAP type 1 receptor PAC1R potentiates the effects of GnRH on gonadotropin subunit gene expression. However, recombinant gonadotropins expressed in mammalian cell expression systems replaced the earlier preparations and have now been in use for various human in vitro fertilization protocols at the clinic.

Human Chorionic Gonadotropin

However, the addition of a GnRH agonist analogue to a regimen of gonadotropin injections plus IUI does not appear to increase the pregnancy rate in couples with unexplained infertility.

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In addition, GnRH treatment increases expression of ATF-3, which is recruited along with c-Jun and c-Fos to CREs on the αGSU promoter, and GnRH-induced αGSU gene expression was completely abolished upon mutation of these CREs.

Frontiers

When considered with the discussions in Chapter 8 showing that a large fraction of the receptors need to be occupied to generate a cAMP response, these observations indicate that measurement of cAMP dose-response curves provides a reasonable approximation of the relative affinity of the receptor for the hormones. However, because of the possibility that it may cause miscarriage or abnormalities in the developing foetus, it is recommended that you use non-hormonal forms of contraception during treatment condom or diaphragm or both. J Biol Chem 2001 276:39685—94.

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