

## The Department of Pharmacology

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## Frontiers in Pharmacology

## "Decalmodulation of voltage-gated Ca, Ca<sup>2+</sup> channels"

Calmodulin has emerged as an integral subunit and key regulator of voltage-gated Ca, channels. In the heart, calmodulin promotes Ca2+-dependent inactivation of Ca,1 channels, which is crucial for normal cardiac rhythmicity. However, in neuronal cell-types, Ca<sub>1</sub> channels exhibit considerably less Ca<sup>2+</sup>-dependent inactivation. We have discovered mechanisms that oppose the actions of calmodulin on Ca, channels, and show that these mechanisms are crucial for proper regulation of Ca<sub>v</sub> channel signaling in the nervous system.

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> > Light refreshments will be served. Host : Johannes Hell jwhell@ucdavis.edu