

Free fatty acid receptors (version 2019.4) in the IUPHAR/BPS Guide to Pharmacology Database

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Abstract

Free fatty acid receptors (FFA, **nomenclature as agreed by the [NC-IUPHAR Subcommittee on free fatty acid receptors \[111, 24\]](#)**) are activated by free fatty acids. Long-chain saturated and unsaturated fatty acids (including C14:0 ([myristic acid](#)), C16:0 ([palmitic acid](#)), C18:1 ([oleic acid](#)), C18:2 ([linoleic acid](#)), C18:3, ([α-linolenic acid](#)), C20:4 ([arachidonic acid](#)), C20:5,n-3 ([EPA](#)) and C22:6,n-3 ([docosahexaenoic acid](#))) activate FFA1 [[8, 50, 60](#)] and FFA4 receptors [[41, 48, 90](#)], while short chain fatty acids (C2 ([acetic acid](#)), C3 ([propanoic acid](#)), C4 ([butyric acid](#)) and C5 ([pentanoic acid](#))) activate FFA2 [[9, 62, 86](#)] and FFA3 [[9, 62](#)] receptors. The crystal structure for agonist bound FFA1 has been described [[108](#)].

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