

**A PRESENTATION ON**

**“*In Ovo* Mefloquine and 4-Aminopyridine administration inhibits chorioallantoic membrane (CAM) angiogenesis in chicken embryos through ion-channel modulation.”**

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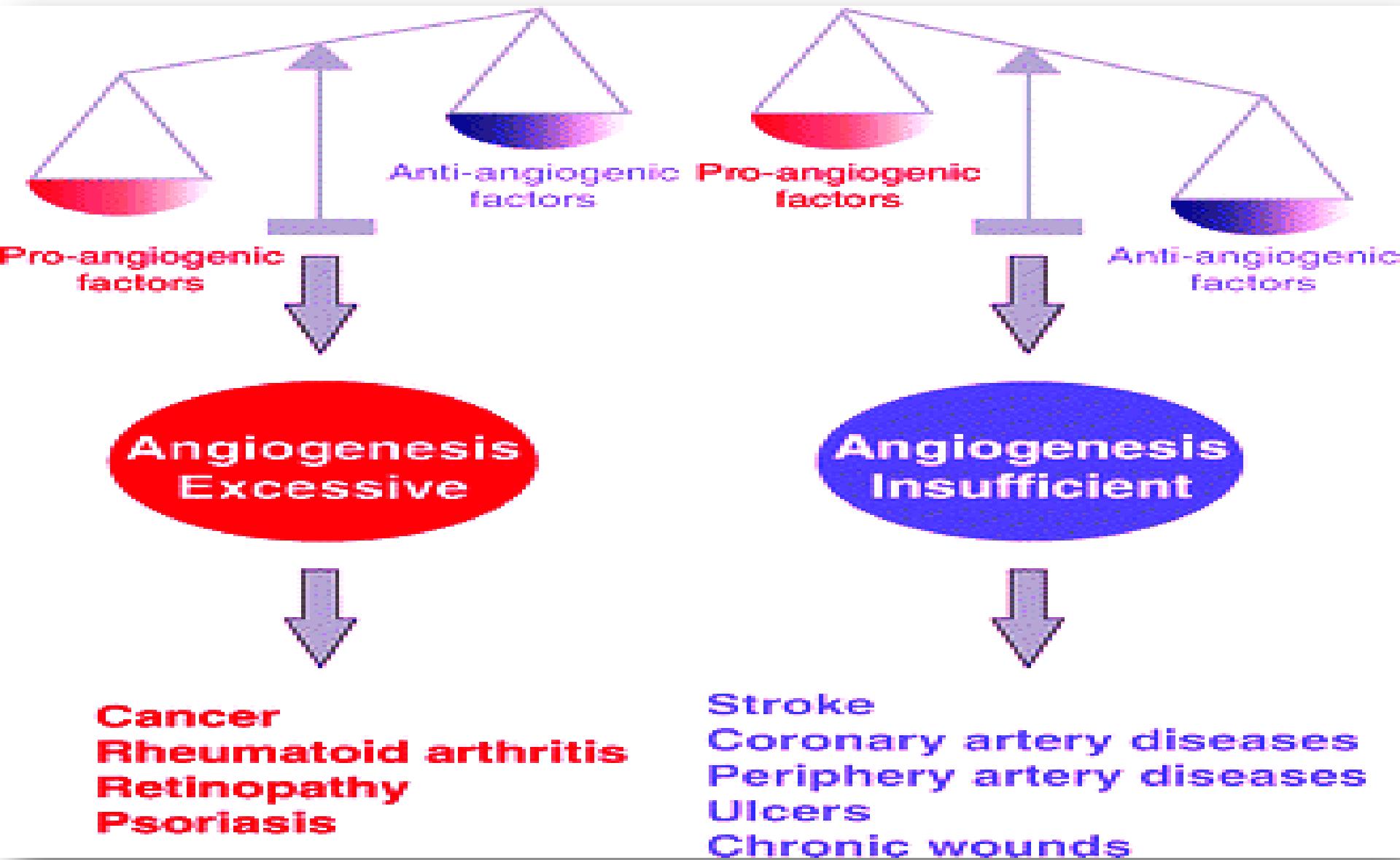
# PRESENTATION OUTLINE

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# INTRODUCTION

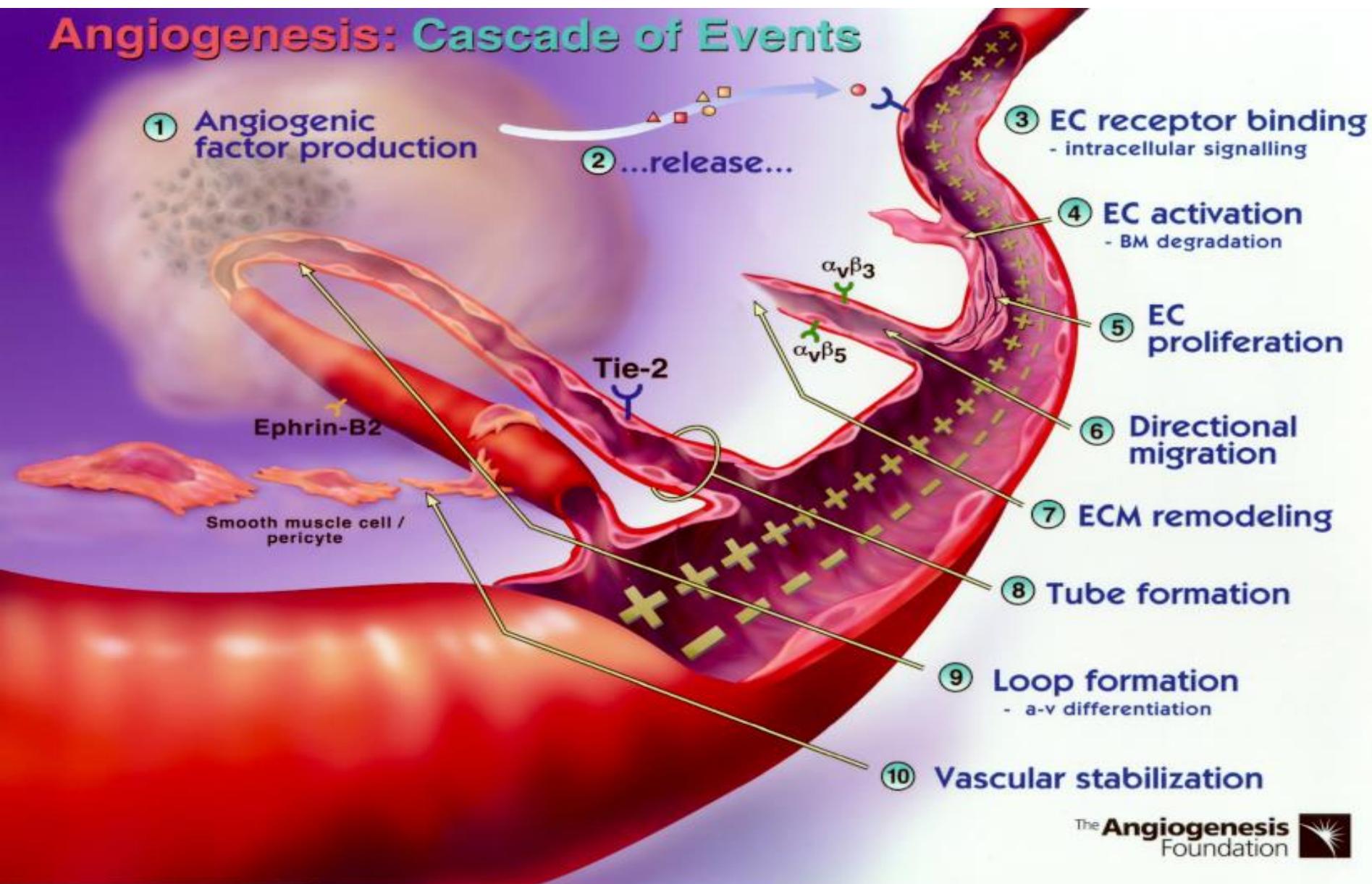
- **Angiogenesis is the generation of new blood vessels from pre-existing vasculature.**
- **Angiogenesis has two faces, it plays vital role in maintenance of both health and diseases. Vessel growth could benefit in case of baldness, neurodegenerative ills, heart attack and could be helpful to bypass the clots in blood vessels (occlusion) as well as in tissue repair.**
- **Abundant ion channels are located on the endothelial cell surface. Ion channels have significant role in cell proliferation and thus in angiogenesis**

# DISEASES INVOLVED IN ANGIOGENIC IMBALANCE



# MECHANISM OF ANGIOGENESIS

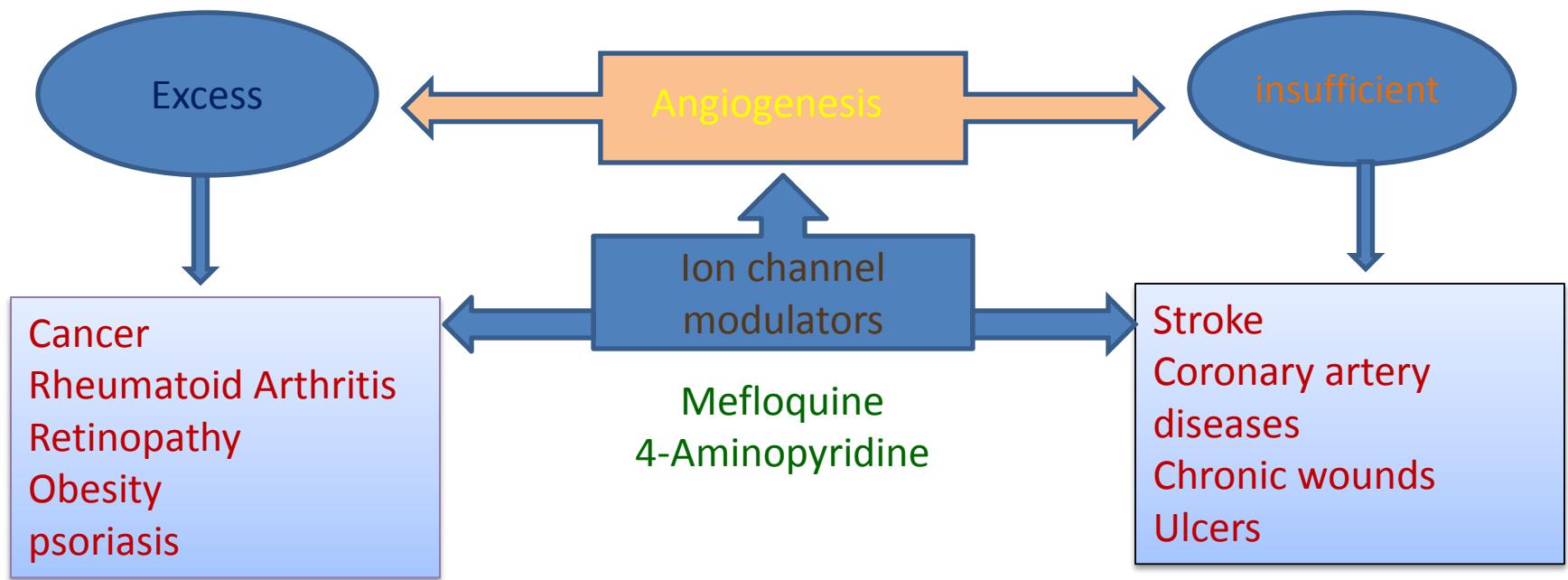
## Angiogenesis: Cascade of Events



## OBJECTIVES OF THE WORK

- The study aimed to investigate the effects of Mefloquine (Cl<sup>-</sup> channel blocker) and 4-Aminopyridine (K<sup>+</sup> channel blocker) on angiogenesis
- At what concentration of the test drugs show maximum percentage inhibition of neovascularization..
- The number of branches formed in test drug treated groups in CAM assay and to compare with the control group.

# RATIONALE BEHIND THE STUDY



Ion channels Cell proliferation

Endothelial cells contain ion channels



# CAM assay



# Chick chorioallantoic membrane assay:

Fertilized, white leghorn chicken eggs

(on 0 day of incubation)



Incubated at 37°C



3<sup>rd</sup> day

Narrow end was drilled to withdraw albumin



7<sup>th</sup> day

Small square window was opened to implant drugs



Resealed and reincubated



On 15<sup>th</sup> day number of branching points were quantified

# Dosing schedule:

GROUP NO.	TREATMENT (CAM Assay)	Dose ( $\mu$ g/egg)
I	-	-
II	Mefloquine	10
III	Mefloquine	50
IV	Mefloquine	100
V	4-Aminopyridine	100
VI	4-Aminopyridine	250
VII	4-Aminopyridine	500

# Statistics

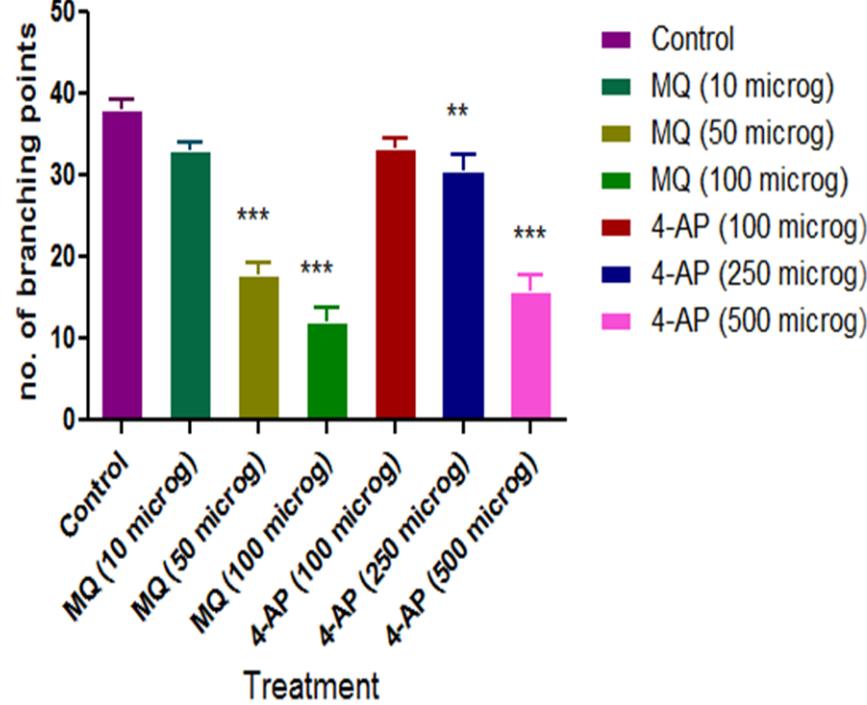
The data was analyzed by **one-way ANOVA** followed by **Dunnett test** using **Graph pad prism5.0 software**. Values are significant at \*  $p<0.05$ . Comparison of the test groups were done with disease control group. Values are expressed as **mean  $\pm$  SEM**

# Results

## CAM Assay

### *Number of branching points*

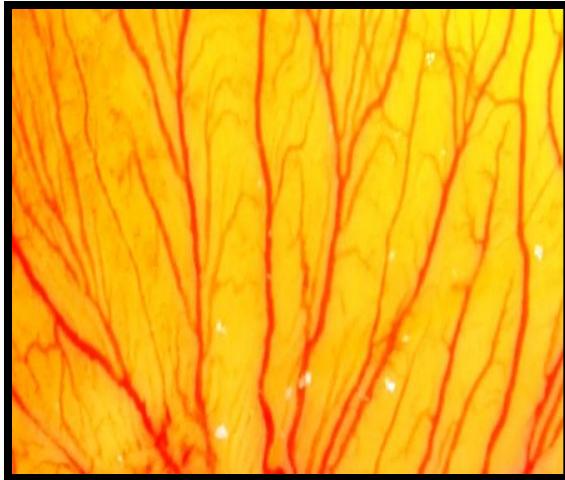
<b>Group No</b>	<b>Treatment (dose/egg)</b>	<b>No. of branching points</b>
1.	Control	38.16±1.138
2.	Mefloquine (10 µg)	33.16±0.792
3.	Mefloquine (50 µg)	18±1.414 ***
4.	Mefloquine (100 µg)	12.33±1.542 ***
5.	4-AP (100µg)	33.5±0.991
6.	4-AP (250µg)	30.83±1.662 **
7.	4-AP (500µg)	16±1.862 ***



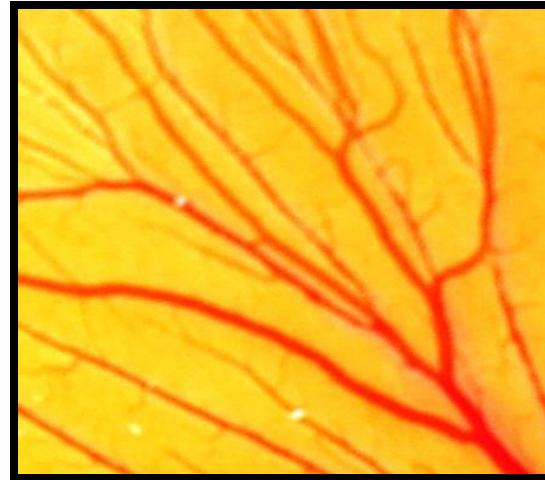
# Results

## CAM Assay

Images were captured from **Trinocular Microscope** at magnification of **40X**.



Control



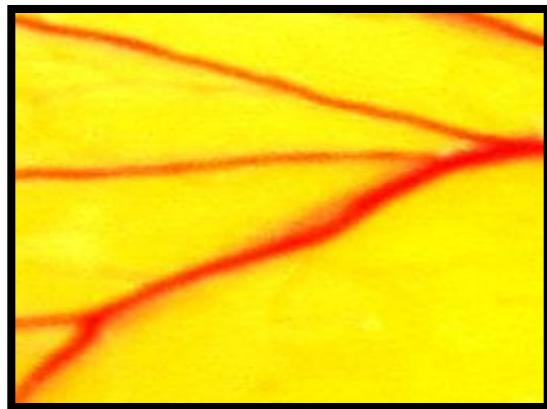
Mefloquine (10 µg)



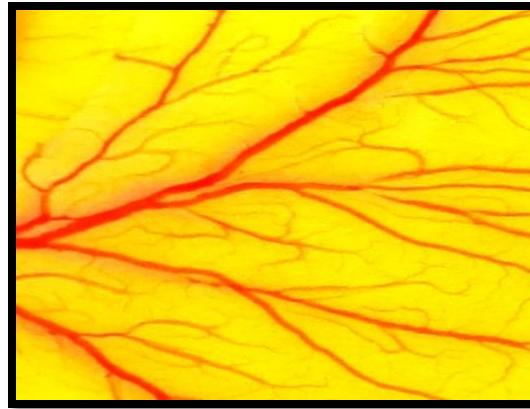
Mefloquine (50 µg)

# Results

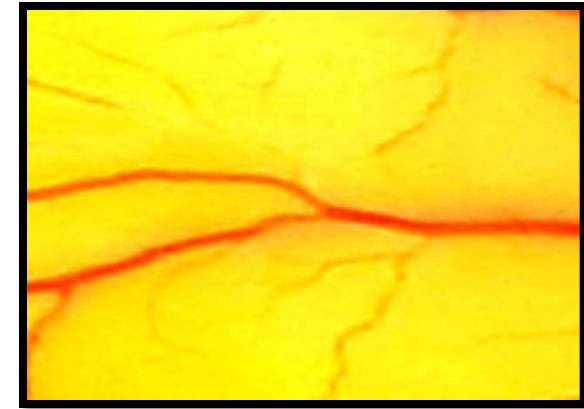
## *CAM Assay*



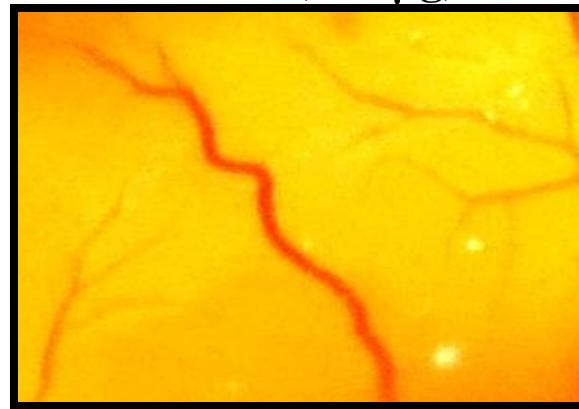
**Mefloquine (100 µg)**



**4-AP (100 µg)**



**4-AP (250 µg)**

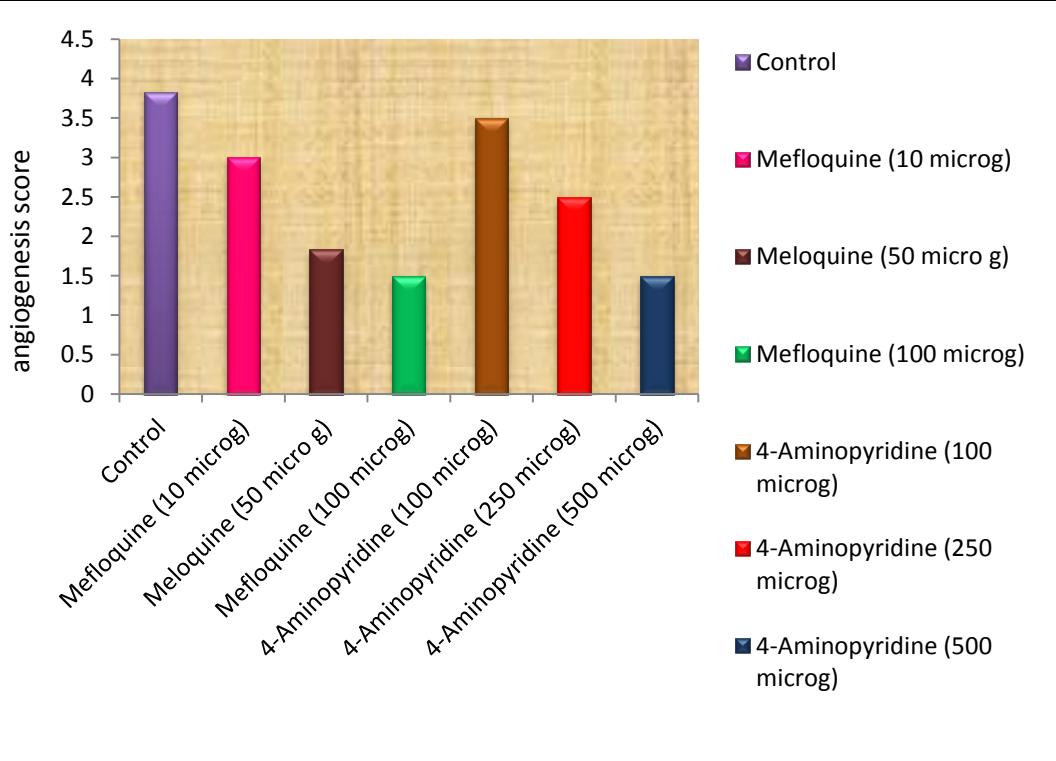


**4-AP (500 µM)**

# Results

## CAM Assay

### Angiogenesis score

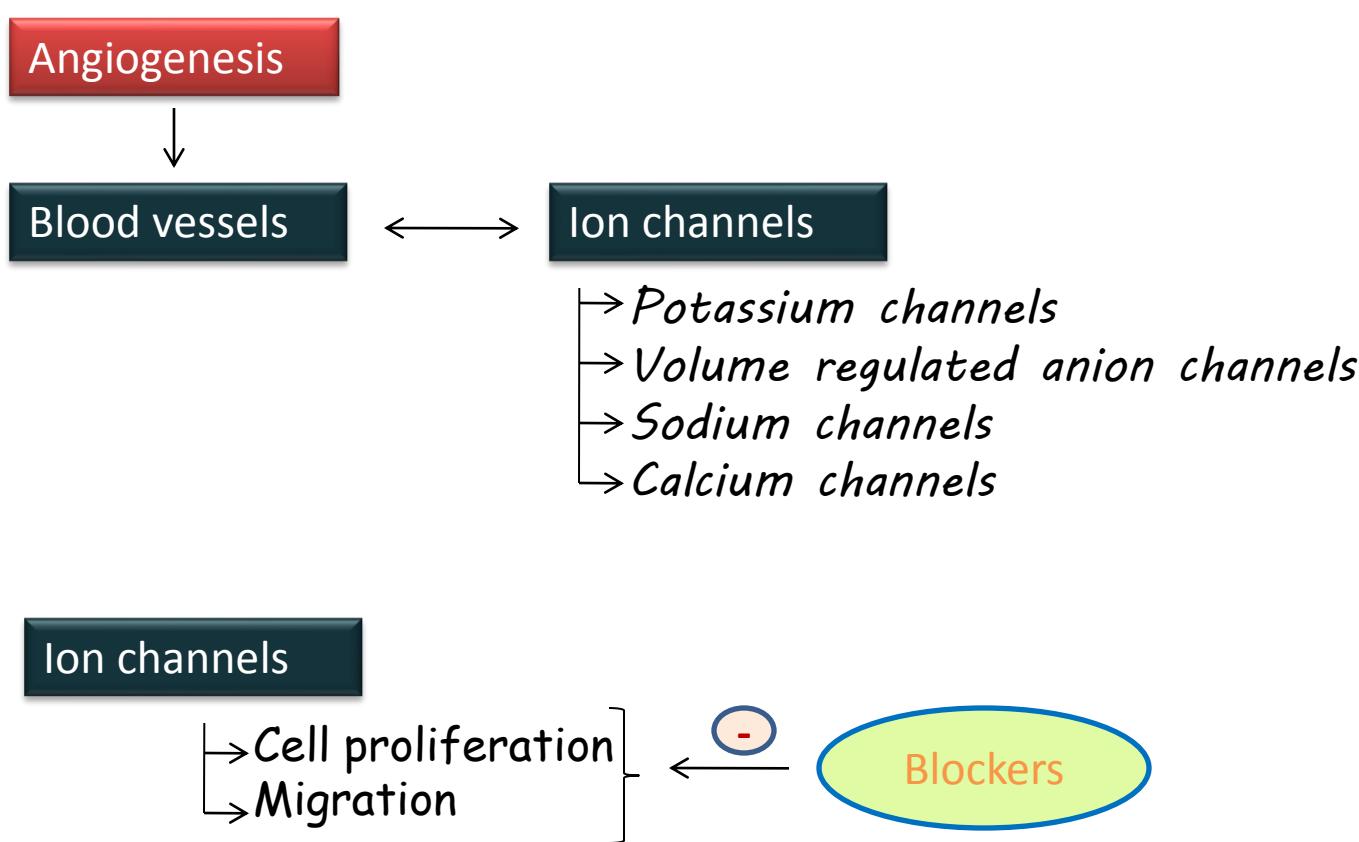


No. of branching points	Angiogenesis score
≥35	4
25-34	3
15-24	2
<15	1

# Significance values of the results obtained

S.No.	Experimental method	Parameter	Treatment	Significance		
				Low dose	Medium dose	High dose
1.	CAM Assay	Number of branches	Mefloquine	NS	***	***
			4-AP	NS	**	***
		Angiogenesis score	Mefloquine	-	-	-
			4-AP	-	-	-

# Discussion



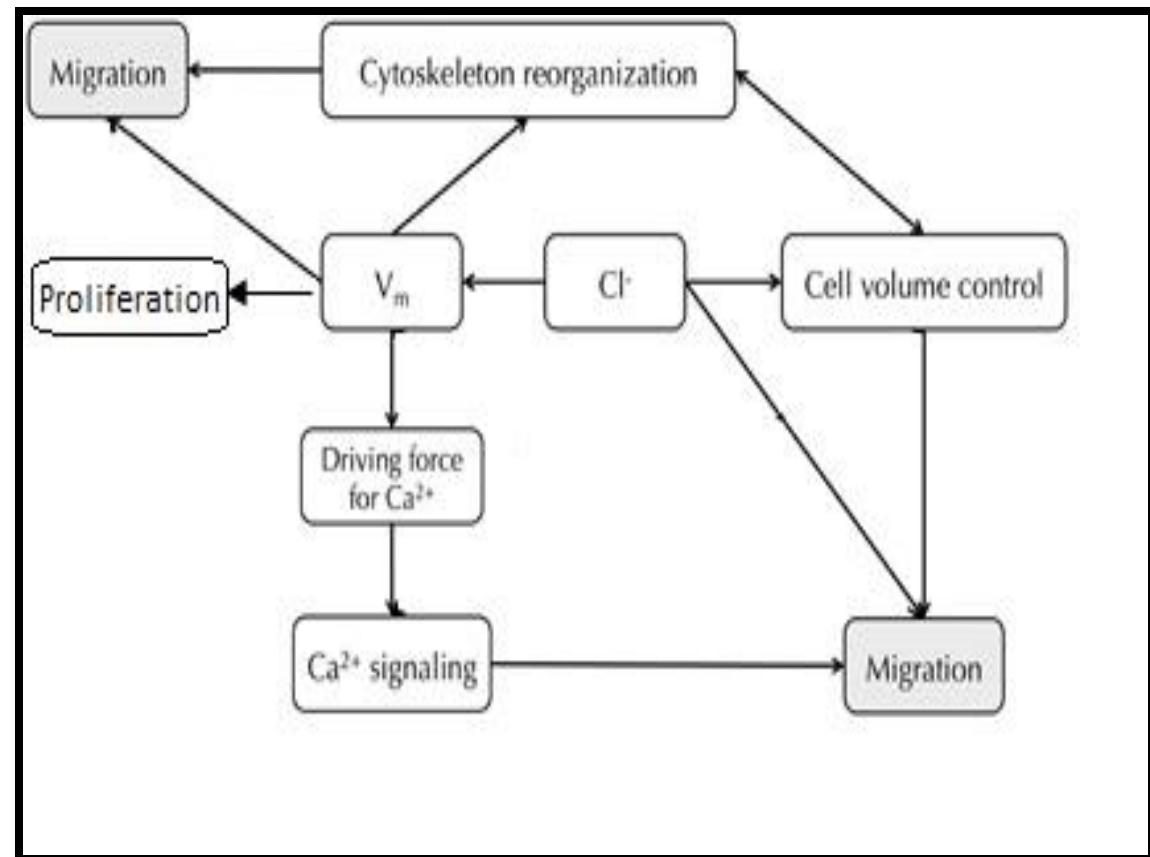
# Mechanisms

## Mefloquine

Maintains membrane potential

## Regulation of the driving force for $\text{Ca}^{2+}$

that regulates  
**secondary messengers**  
for cell proliferation



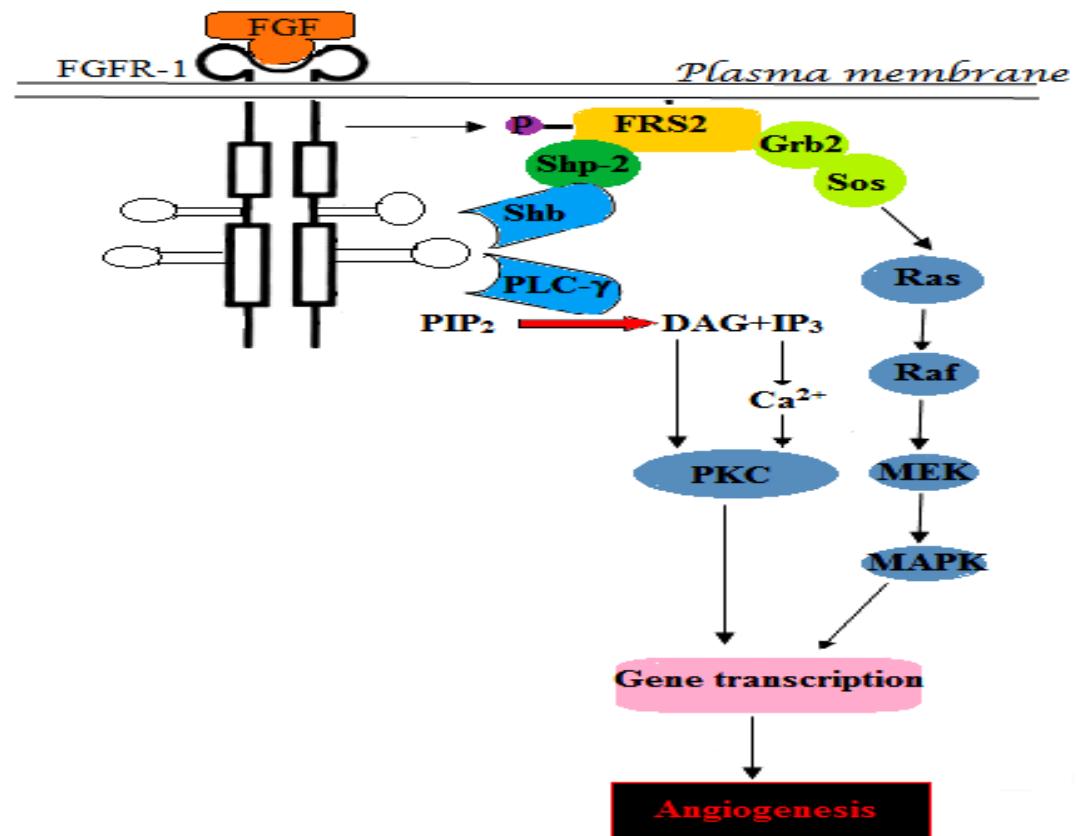
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## Mefloquine

Chloride is needed for the expression of Ras (a small G-protein molecule)

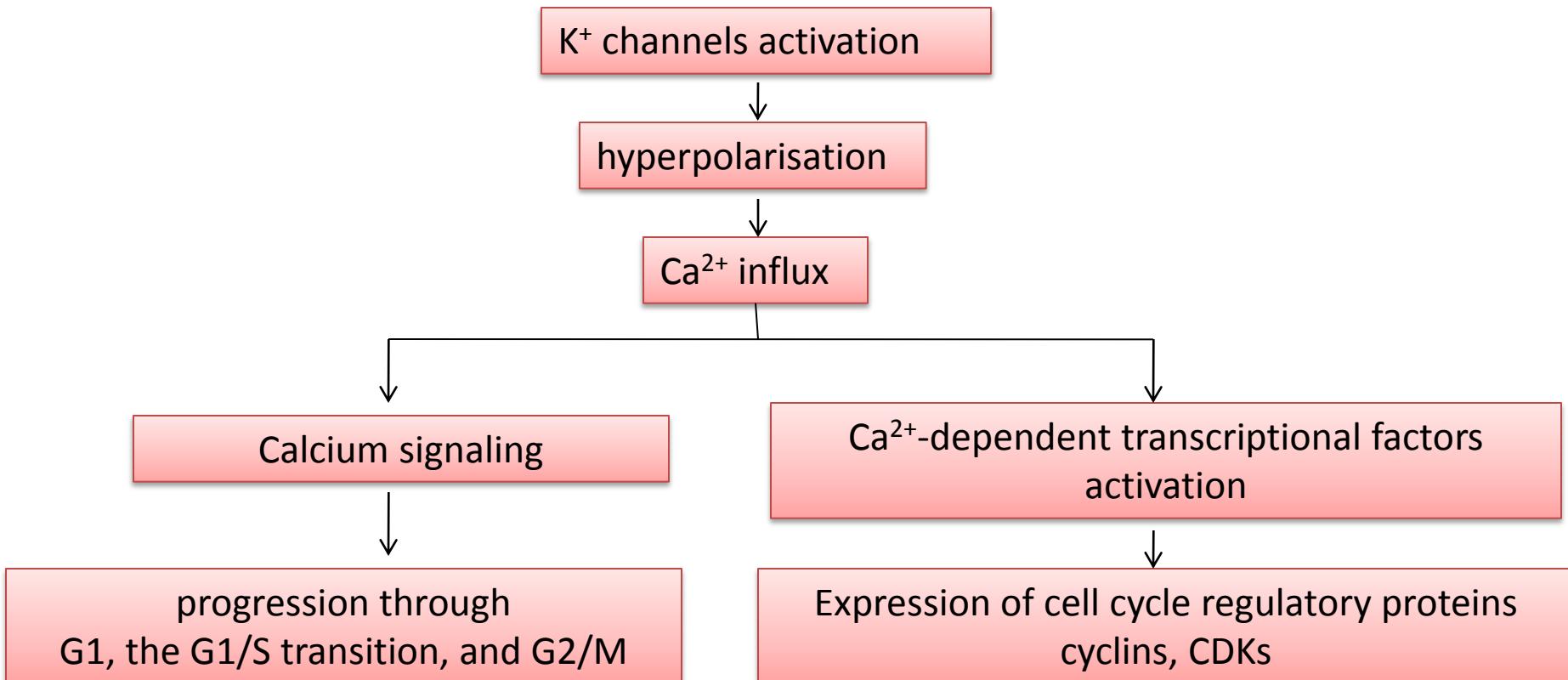
that regulates a large number of intracellular signaling pathways

affecting cell proliferation and motility.



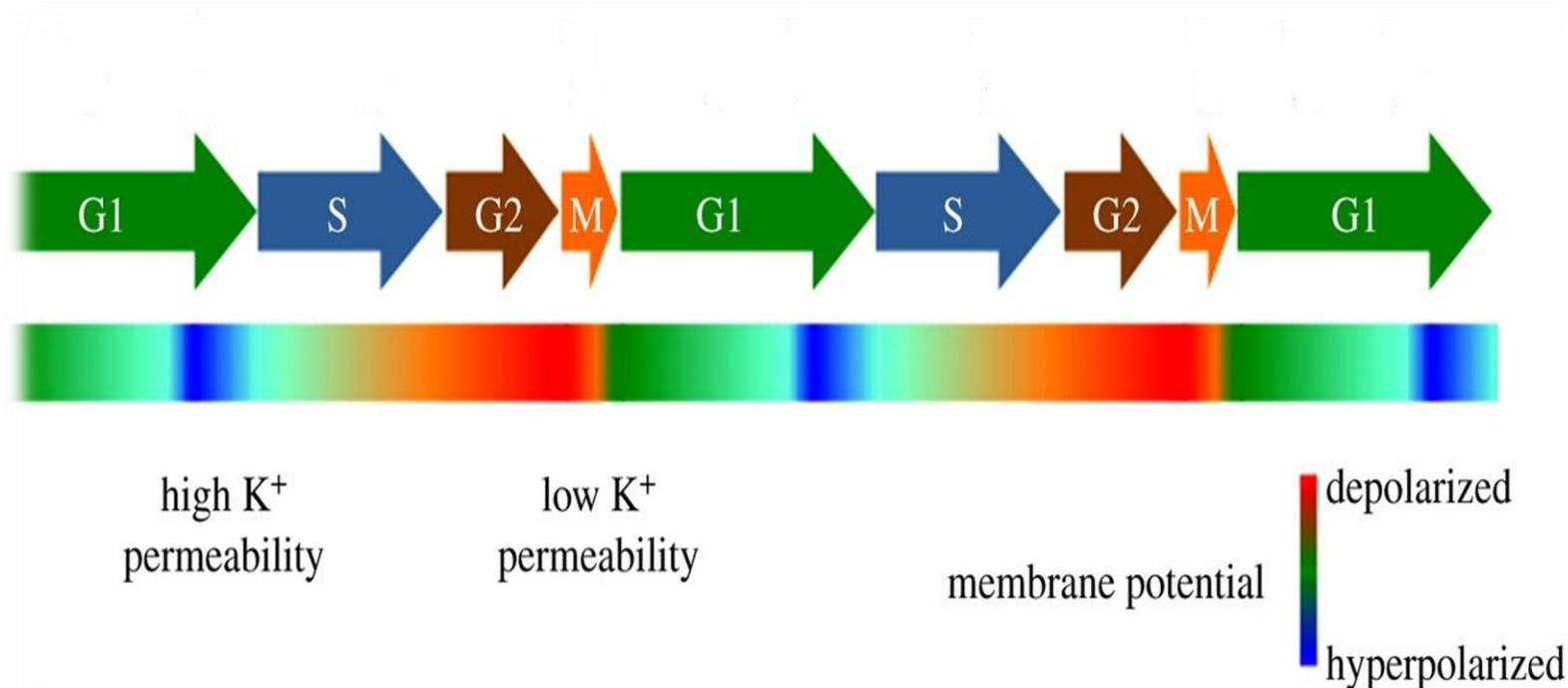
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## 4-Aminopyridine



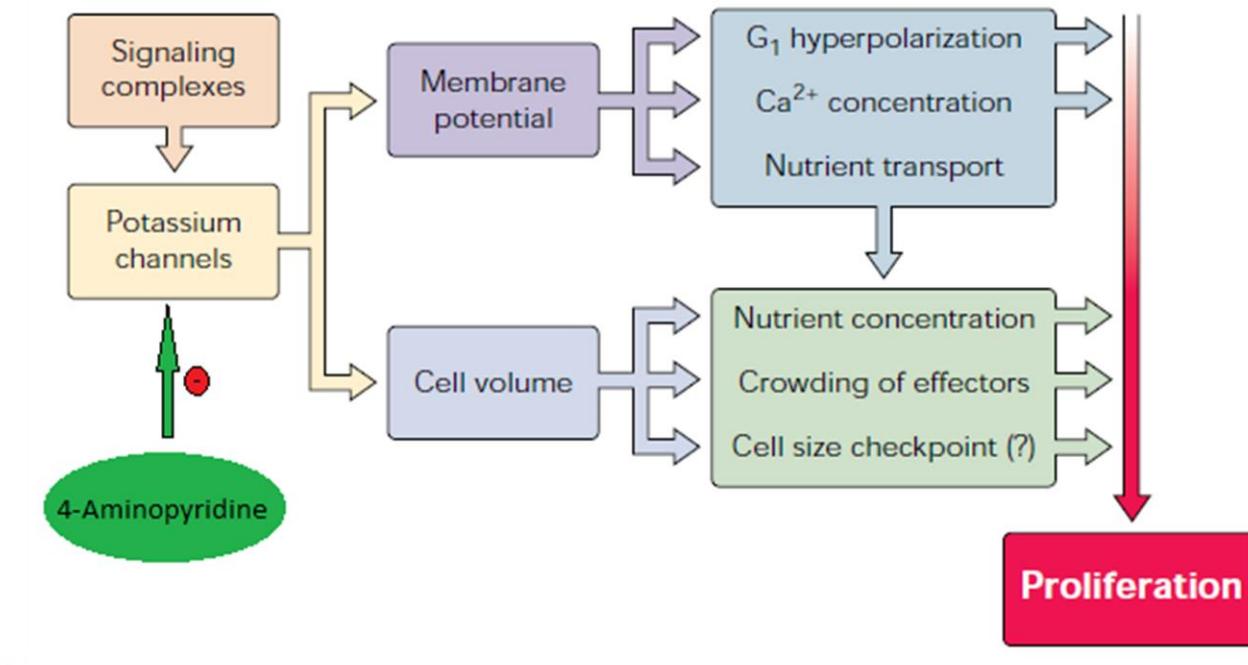
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# Conclusion

- We report here that VRAC blocker, Mefloquine and volume regulated K<sup>+</sup> channel blocker, 4-AP inhibit new vessel formation in all three models. These results suggest that Mefloquine and 4-AP may be useful in the therapy of angiogenesis-dependent tumor growth and other angiogenesis-dependent diseases