

Supporting information for manuscript

Supralinear scaling behavior of ionic transport in membrane nanochannels regulated by outer-surface charges

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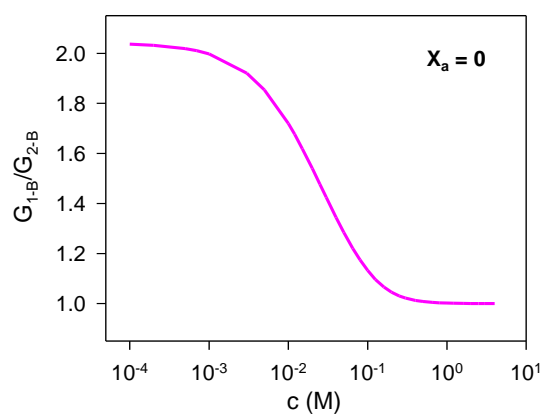


Figure S1. Ratio between conductances obtained with the 1-branch (1-B) and the 2-branch (2-B) model for a neutral membrane. Parameters used are as in Figure 3A and 3B.

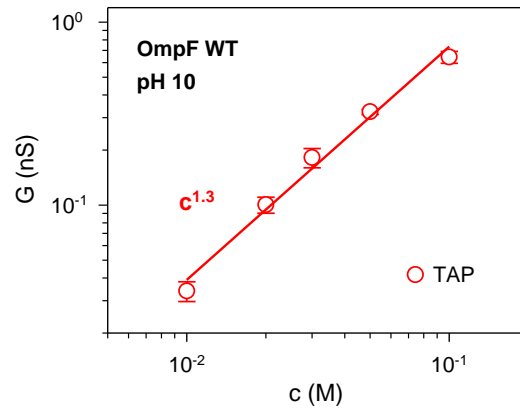


Figure S2. Conductance vs. concentration curve (open circles) measured with OmpF WT inserted in a positively (TAP) charged lipid membrane at pH 10 in the KCl concentration range of 10-100 mM. The solid line is a fit of $G \sim c^\alpha$ yielding supralinear scaling ($\alpha \sim 1.3$).

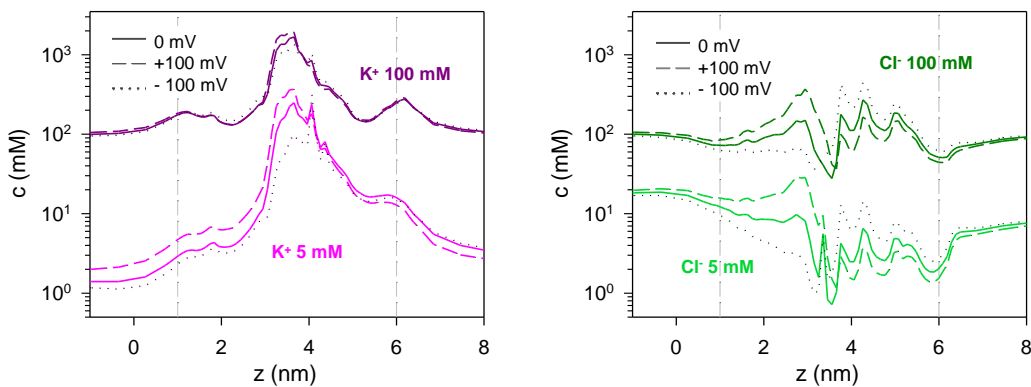


Figure S3. Calculated concentration profile of cations (pink, left panel) and anions (green, right panel) across the OmpF longitudinal channel axis for equilibrium ($V = 0$ mV, solid lines) or under $V = 100$ mV (dashed lines) and $V = -100$ mV (dot lines). Light-colored and dark-colored lines correspond to $c = 5$ mM and $c = 100$ mM KCl, respectively.

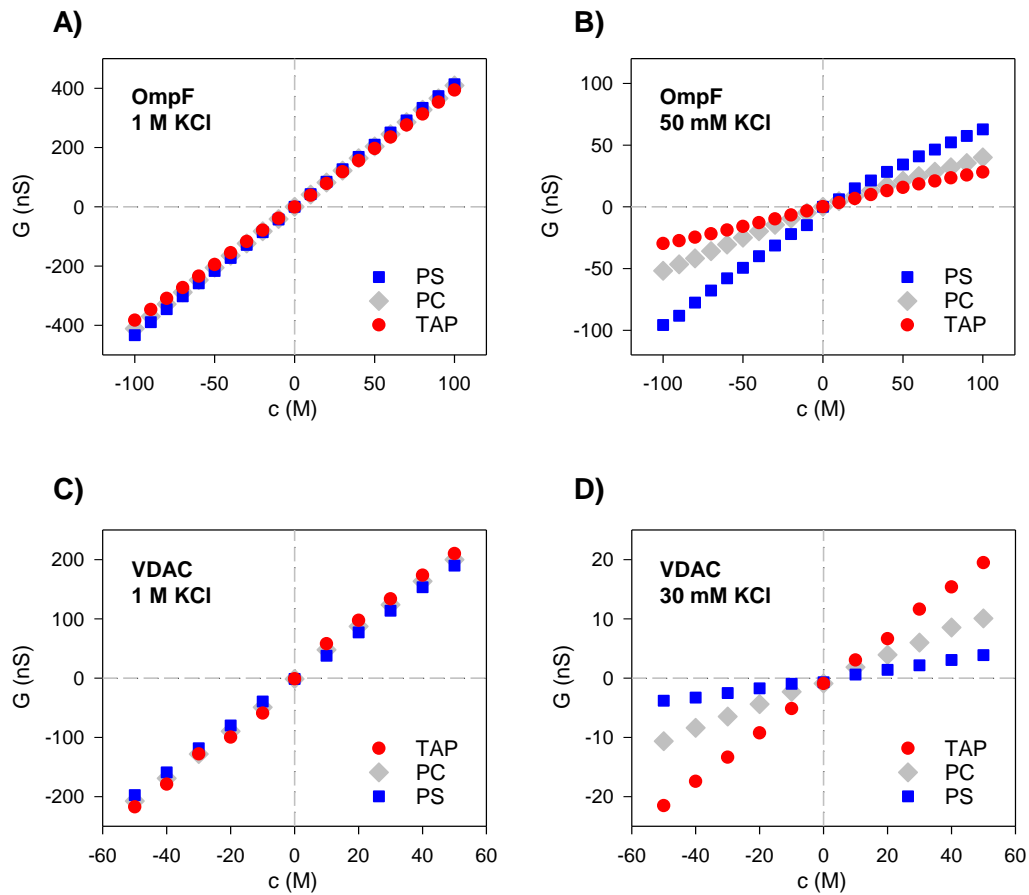


Figure S4. Example I-V curves measured for OmpF and VDAC at high and low KCl concentrations inserted in neutral (PC, grey diamonds), positively charged (TAP, red circles) and negatively charged (PS, blue squares) lipid bilayers: **(A)** OmpF in 1 M KCl; **(B)** OmpF in 50 mM KCl; **(C)** VDAC in 1 M KCl; **(D)** VDAC in 30 mM KCl; I-V curves are approximately linear in all cases. The voltages shown are those applied to measure channel conductance during the voltage-clamp experiments in all salt concentrations explored: from 0 to ± 60 mV for VDAC and from 0 to ± 100 mV for OmpF. Higher voltages were only applied to confirm single-channel insertion and check channel closure (see Materials and Methods for more information).