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Cover picture: Photocurrents measured in a dark-adapted single cone isolated from striped bass retina. Peak photocurrent amplitude increases with light intensity up to a saturating amplitude. Current reflects the electrogenic activity of a  $K^+$ -dependent,  $Na^+/Ca^{2+}$  exchanger, which causes changes in intracellular free  $Ca^{2+}$ , as measured with a fluorescent dye (see article by Paillart et al., 1–16).