

# More Than Conventional Synaptic Transmission.

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15:00-15:30 孙梦实 Neuropeptides and Their Cytoplasmic Signaling Pathways.

15:30-16:00 彭琼琳 The Use of Multiple Neurotransmitters at Synapses

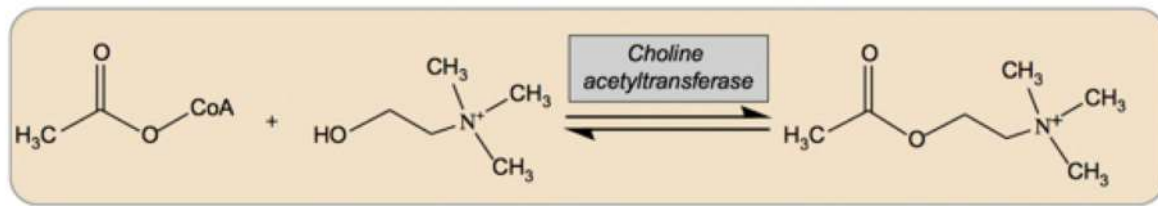
16:00-16:30 马铭泽 Neuron-glial Cell Interaction in Drosophila

1. The difference between neurotransmitter and neuropeptides.
2. The signaling within neuropeptide receptors.

# 1. Precursor molecules and synthesis

Neurotransmitter: Various precursors available within the axon terminal.

For example 1. Acetylcholine (ACh): choline and acetyl CoA



the unique synthetic enzyme

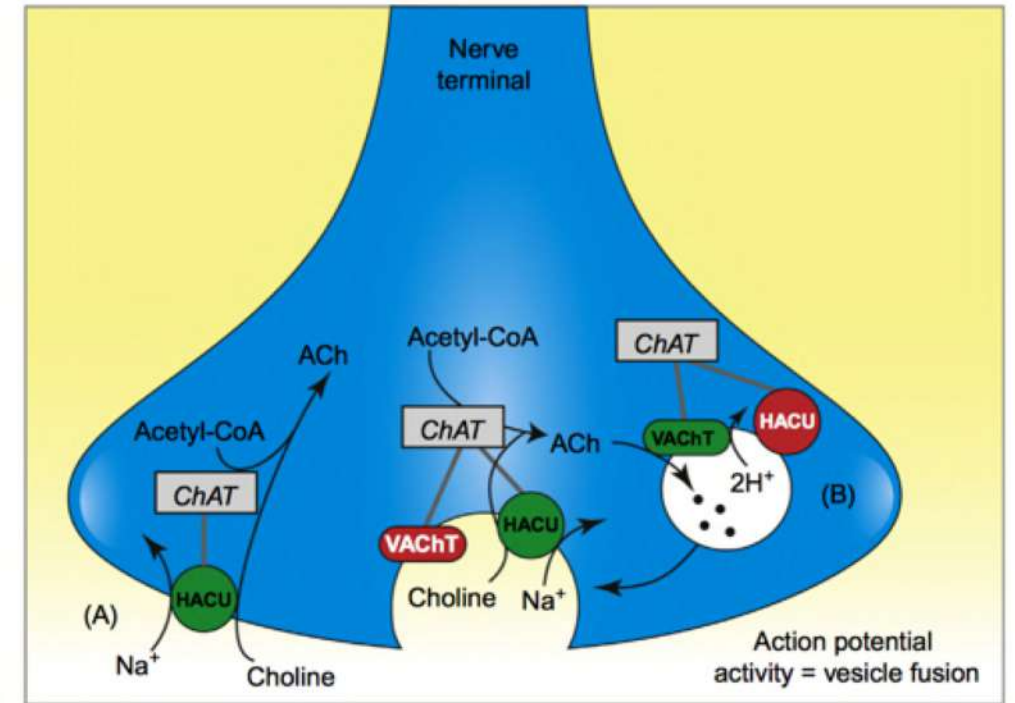
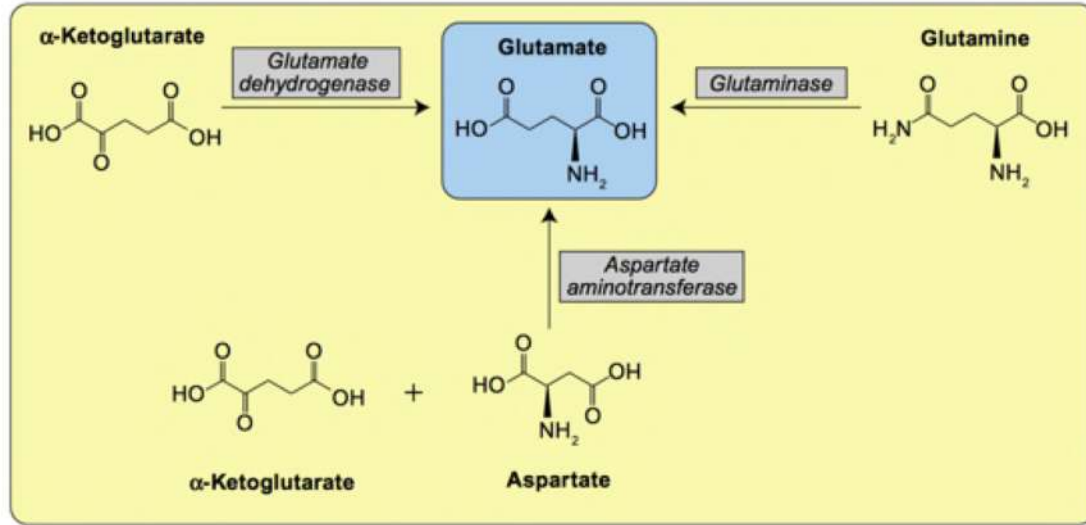


FIGURE 16.10  
Physiological regulation of acetylcholine synthesis.

For example 2. Glutamate



None of the synthesis pathways described here is unique to glutamatergic cells.

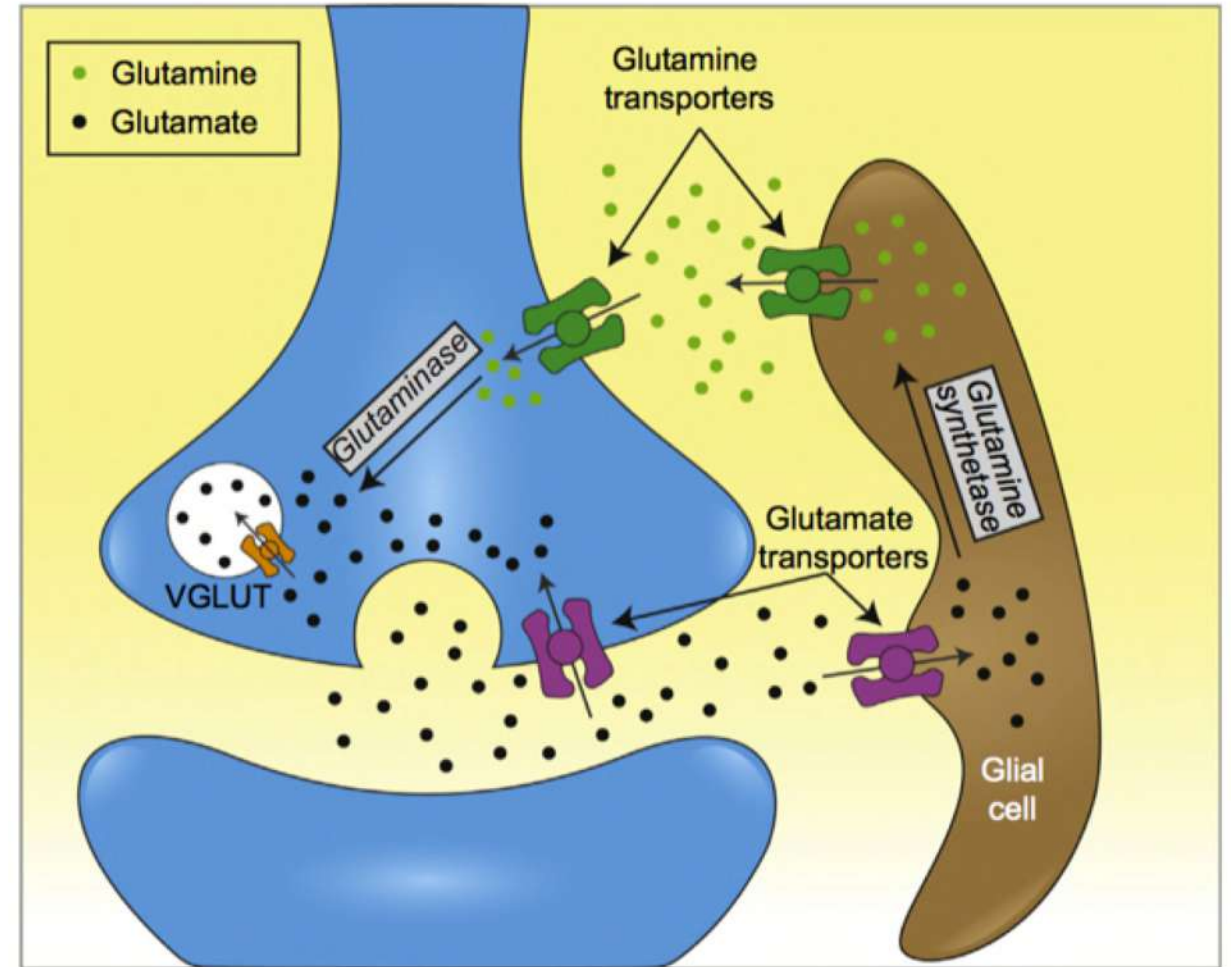
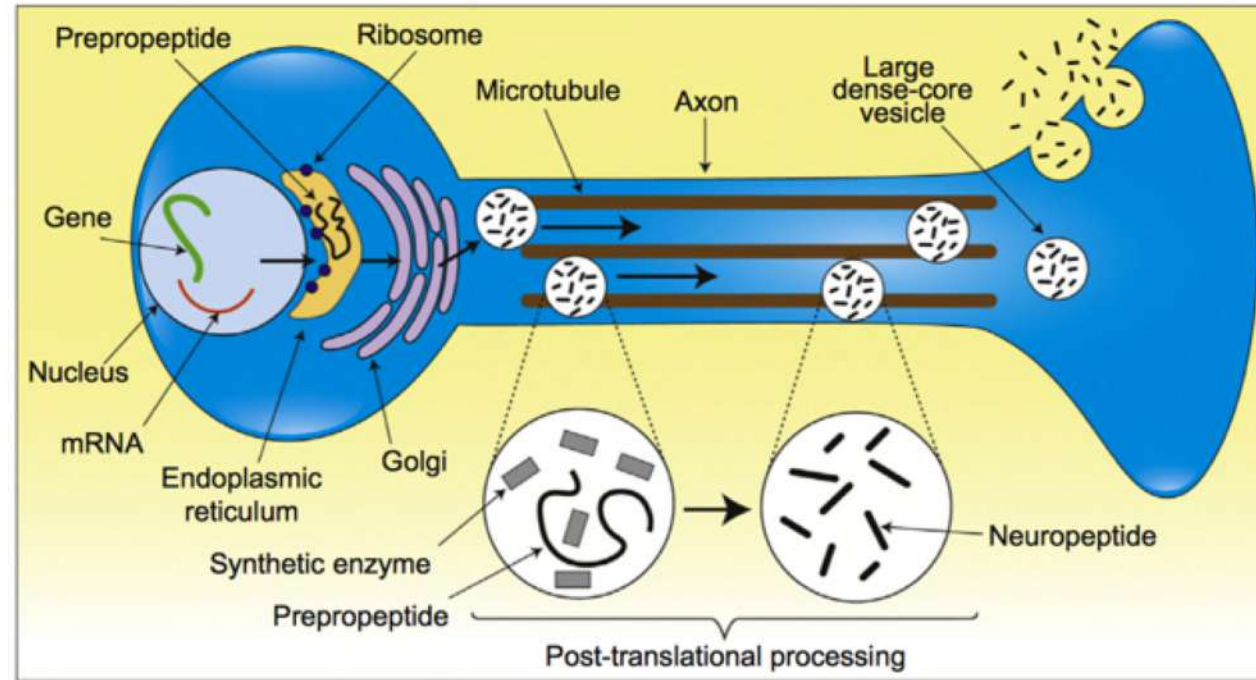


FIGURE 18.6 The glutamate cycle.

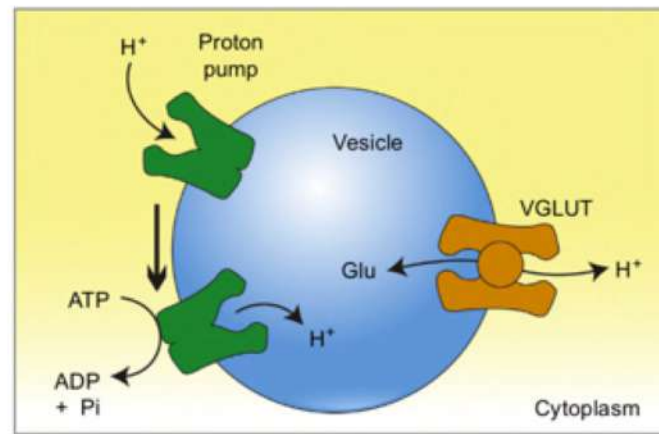
The vesicular glutamate transporter (VGLUT) is uniquely expressed in the vesicular membranes of glutamatergic cells.

Neuropeptide: formed from amino acids on ribosomes on the rough ER in the cell body.

Gene  $\rightarrow$  mRNA  $\rightarrow$  prepropeptide  $\rightarrow$  propeptide  $\rightarrow$  peptide



## 2. Vesicles:



Neurotransmitters – small clear synaptic vesicles (SSVs)

SCSVs are initially formed in the Golgi apparatus and then travel down the axon to the nerve terminal.

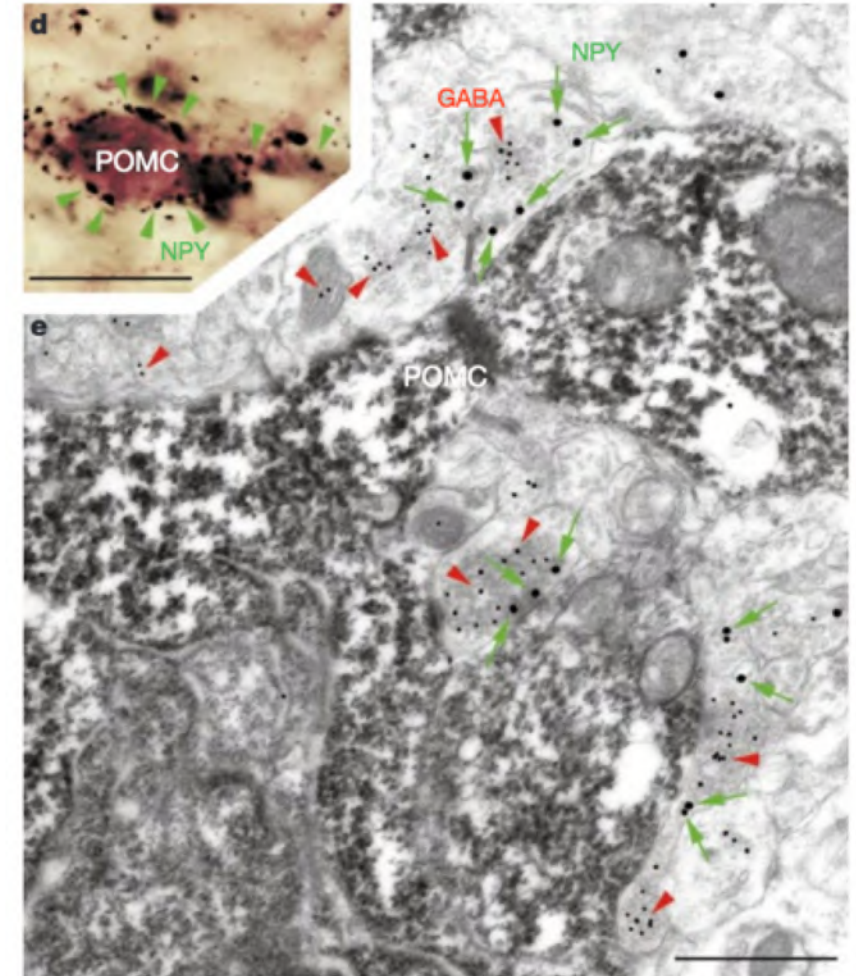
Neurotransmitters are pumped into SCSVs by energy-driven vesicular transporters in the presynaptic terminal.

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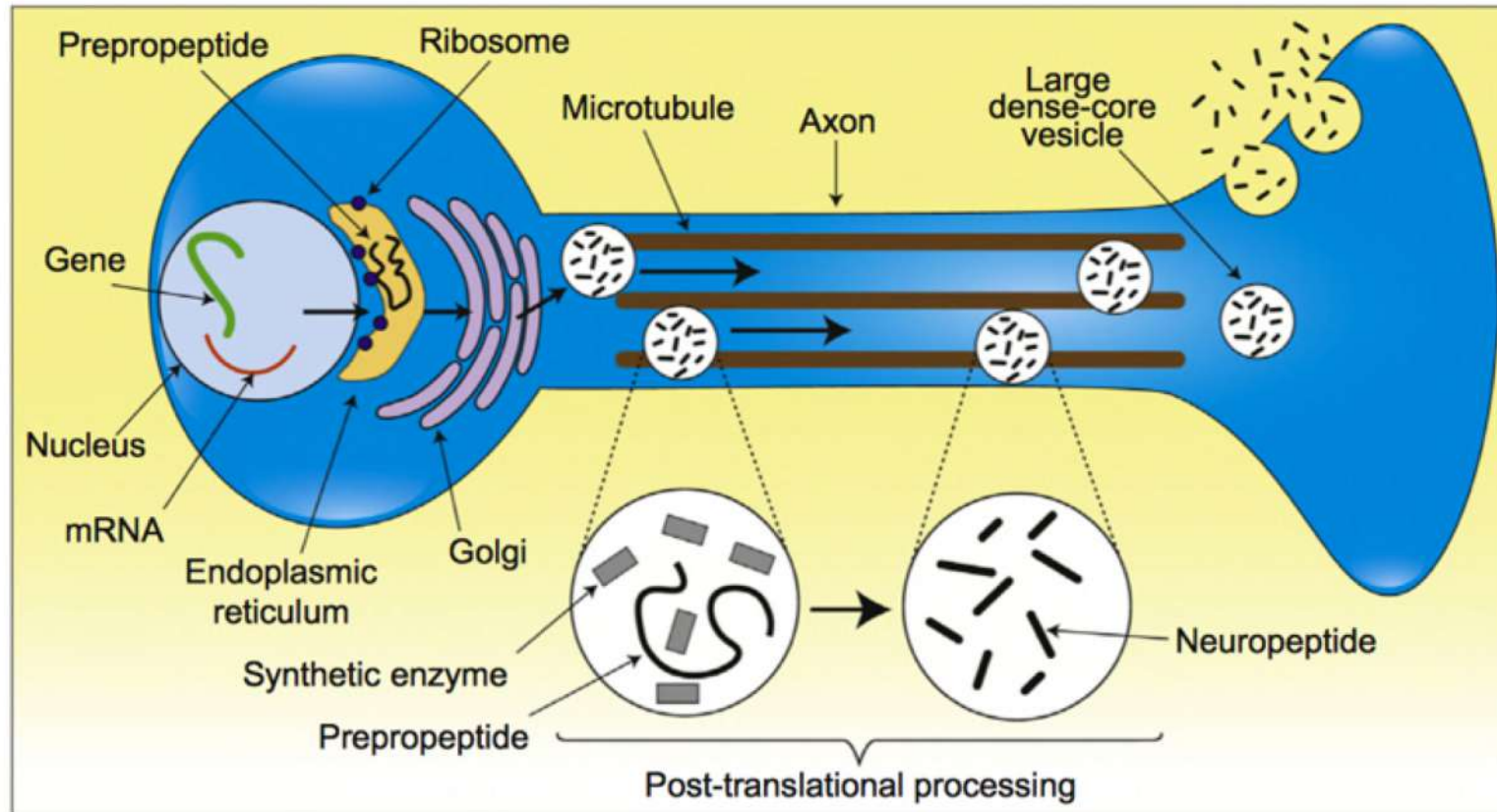
Expression of GABA and NPY in nerve terminals synapsing onto POMC neurons in the ARC





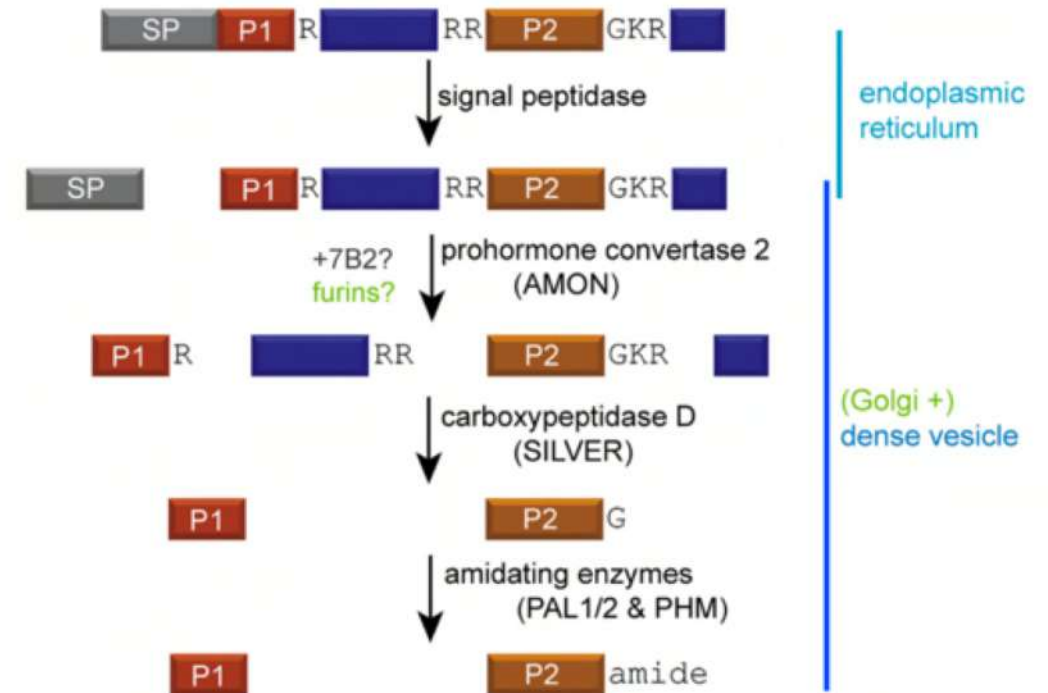
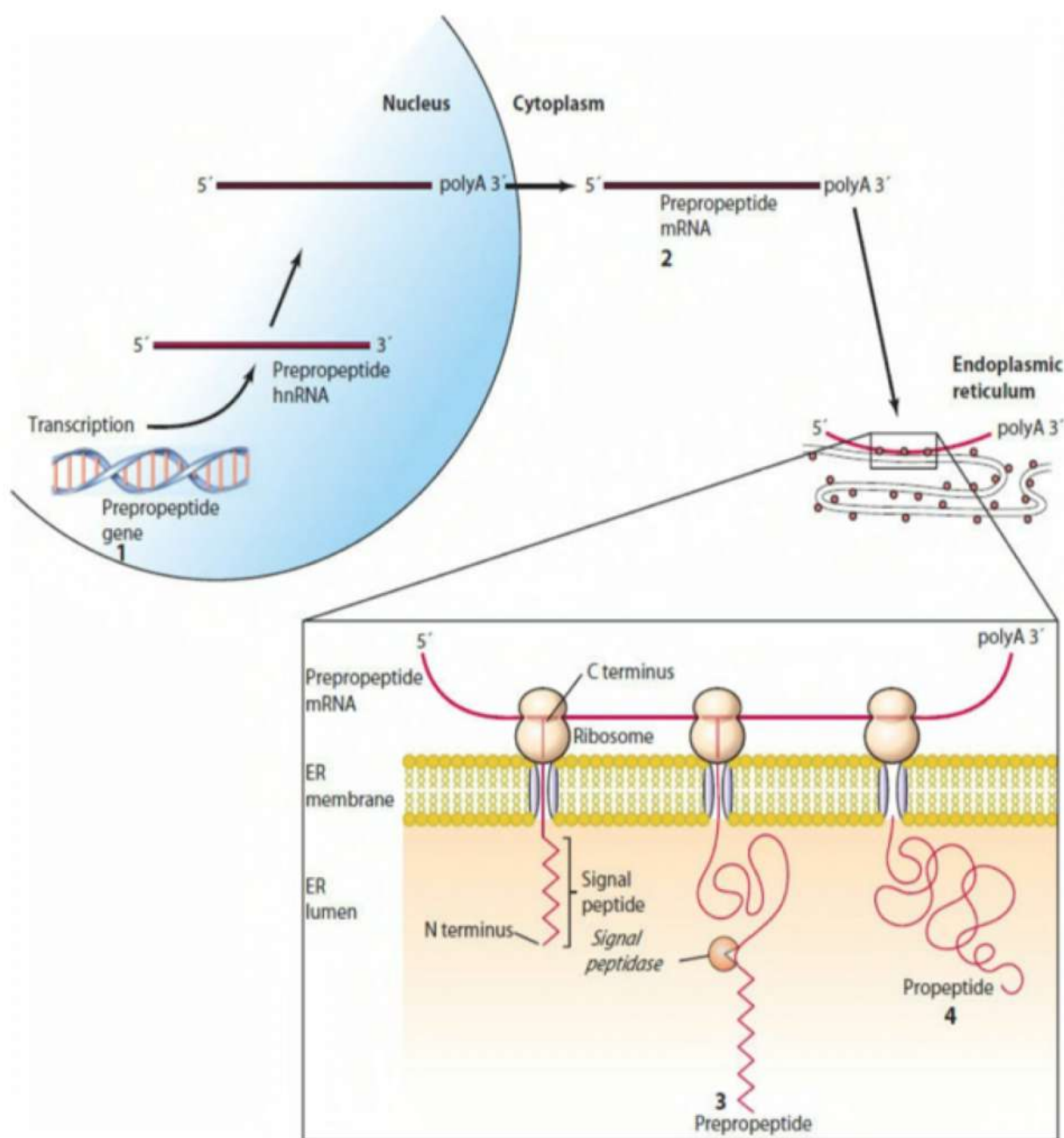
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Prepropeptides are packaged into large dense-core vesicles in Golgi.





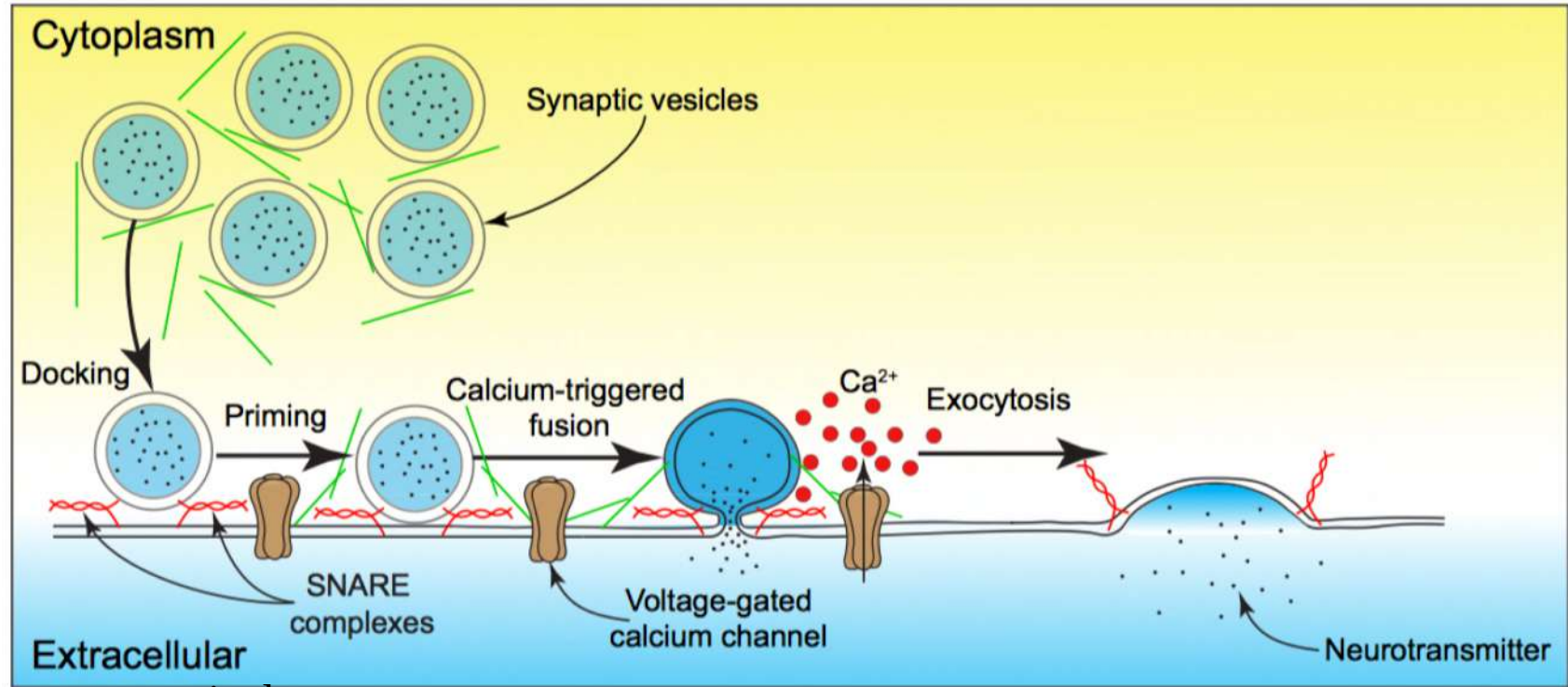
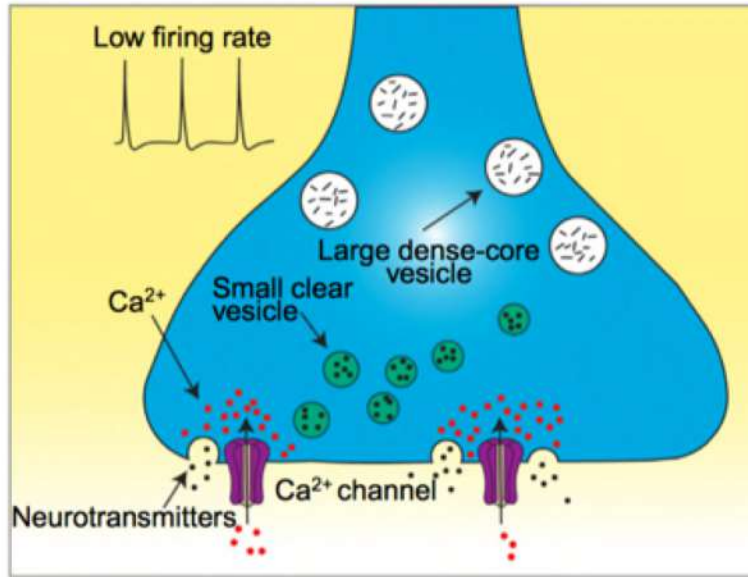
D. Pauls et al., *Eupa Open Proteom.* **3**, 114–127 (2014).

### 3. Vesicular Release

Neurotransmitter:

SSVs response to large, transient increase in intracellular  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ .

A single action potential can cause SSVs to fuse with the cell membrane.



SSVs are released within active zones at nerve terminals,

FIGURE 8.8 The regulated process by which synaptic vesicles fuse with the plasma membrane.

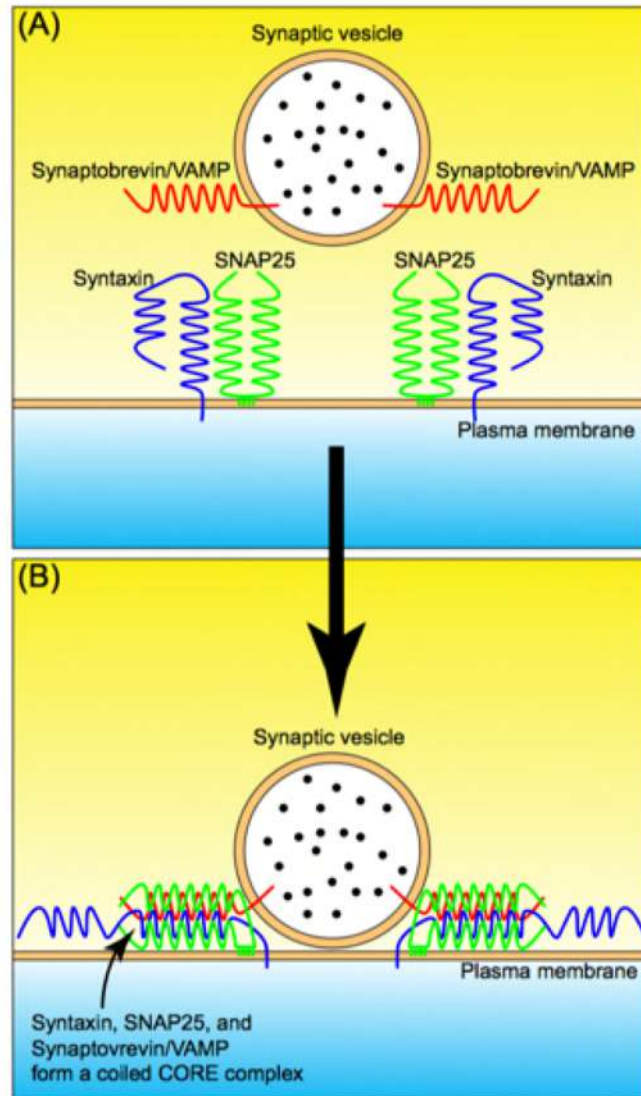


FIGURE 8.11  
CORE complex proteins are associated with the attachment of a synaptic vesicle in close proximity to the plasma membrane.

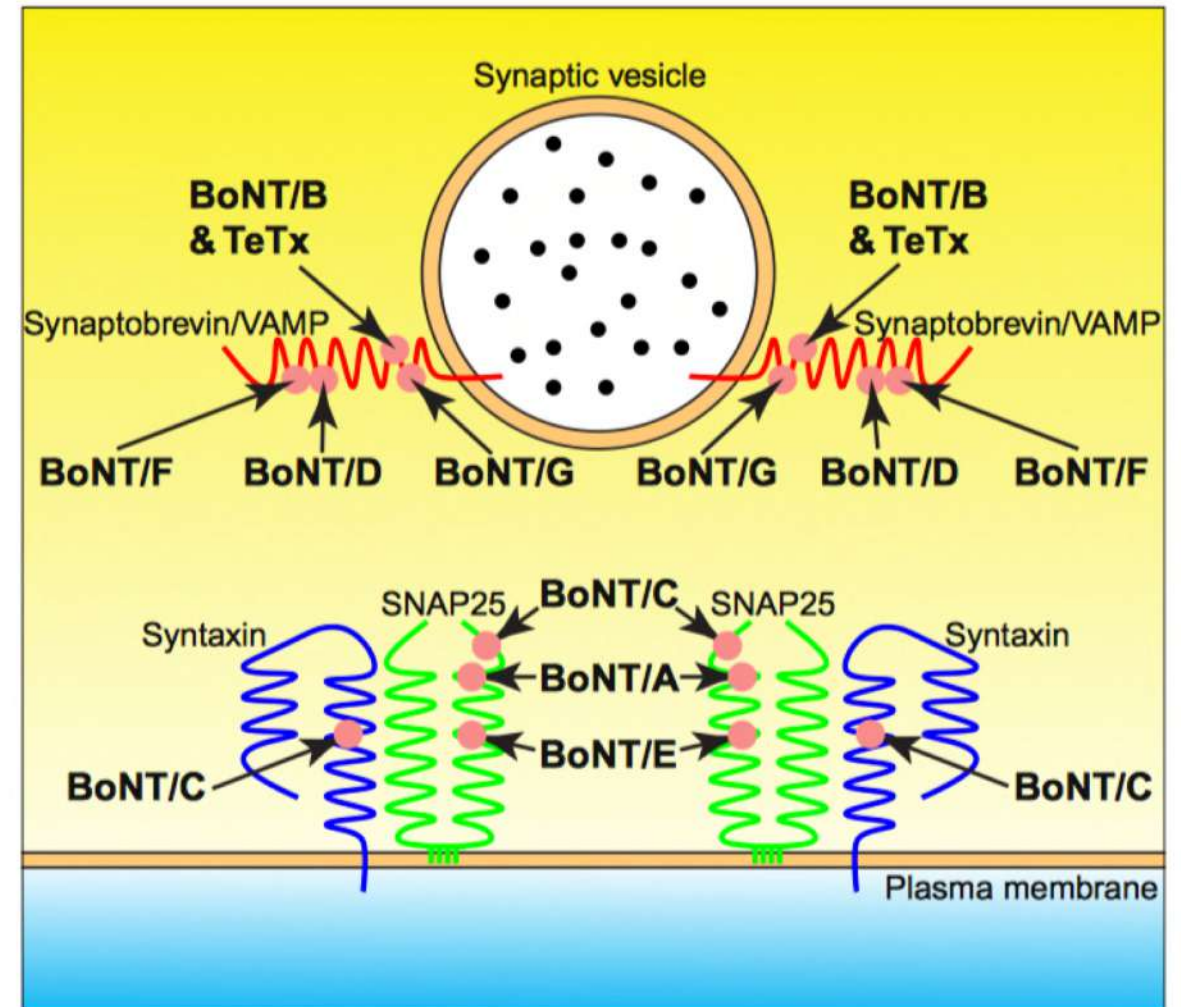
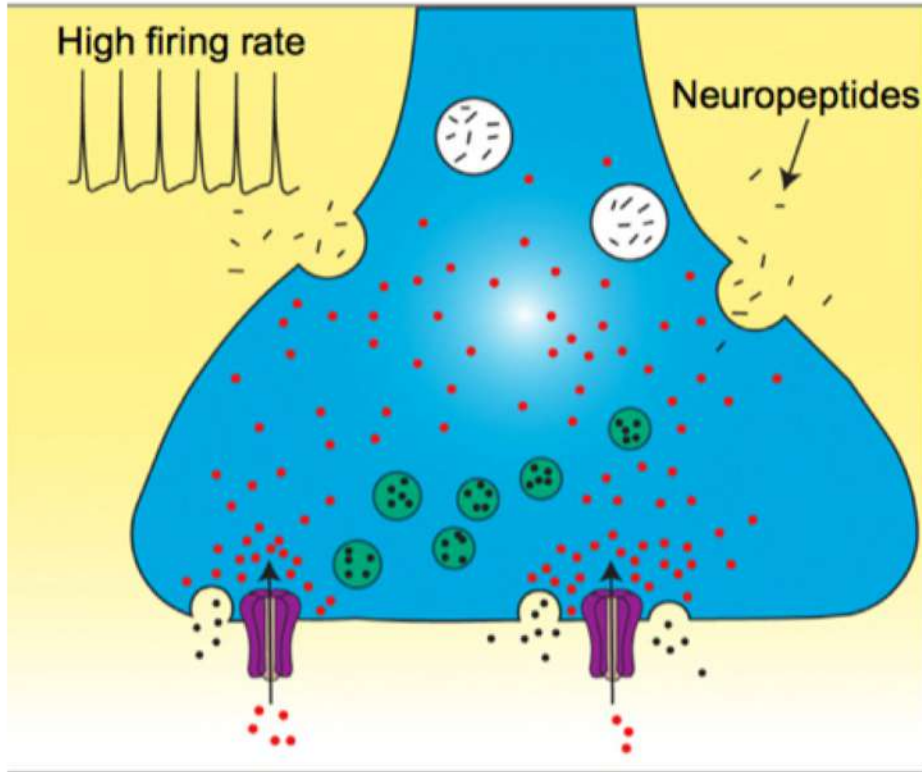


FIGURE 8.12  
Selective targeting of particular SNARE proteins by each serotype of botulinum toxin (BoNT/A-G) or by tetanus toxin (TeTx). The pink dots represent cleavage sites on each SNARE protein for the labeled toxin.



## Neuropeptides:

LDCVs requires increases in  $Ca^{2+}$  of lesser magnitude but longer duration so that the  $Ca^{2+}$  can diffuse in adequate concentration to reach these vesicles.



LDCVs are released in a paracrine and extrasynaptic fashion.

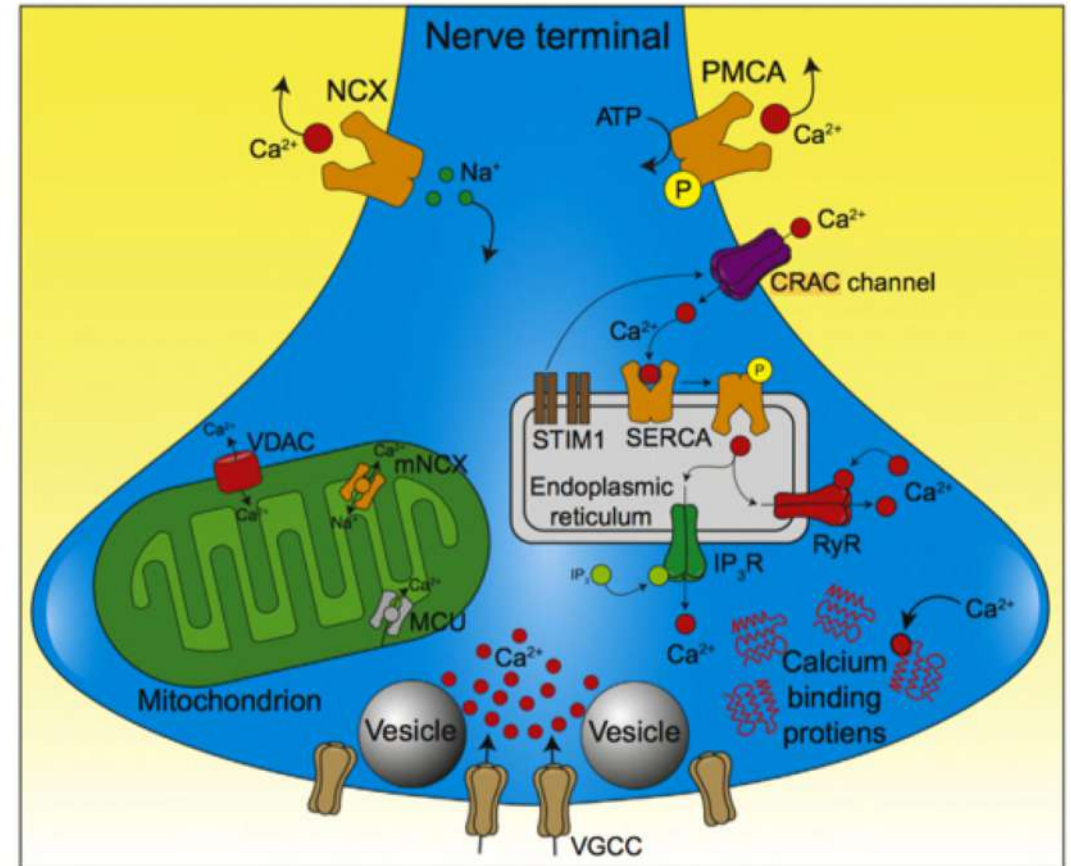
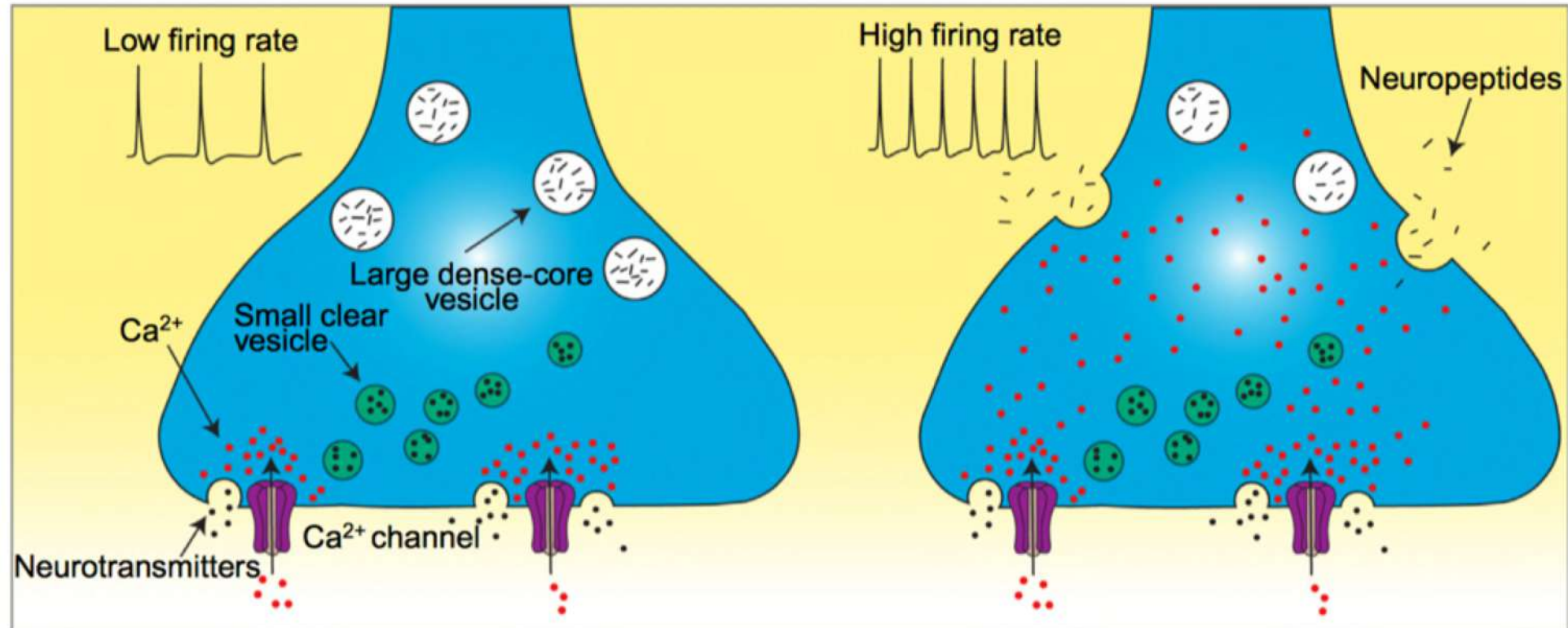


FIGURE 7.7 Summary of calcium buffering and handling mechanisms in the nerve terminal.

Specific patterns of electrical activity in a neuron may lead to the preferential release of a neuropeptide or a small molecule neurotransmitter.



#### 4. Concentrations and affinities:

neurotransmitters ( in small clear vesicles): ~100mM

receptor affinities: low

neuropeptides (in large dense-core vesicles): – 3-10mM

receptor affinities: very high

For example, acetylcholine binds to its receptors in the 100uM to 1 mM range, whereas some neuropeptides can bind with nanomolar affinity.



## 5. Termination/recycling:

### Neurotransmitters

Either undergo reuptake into the presynaptic terminal or glial cells, or are degraded by enzymes.

The neurotransmitter molecules themselves, or their breakdown products, can be reused.

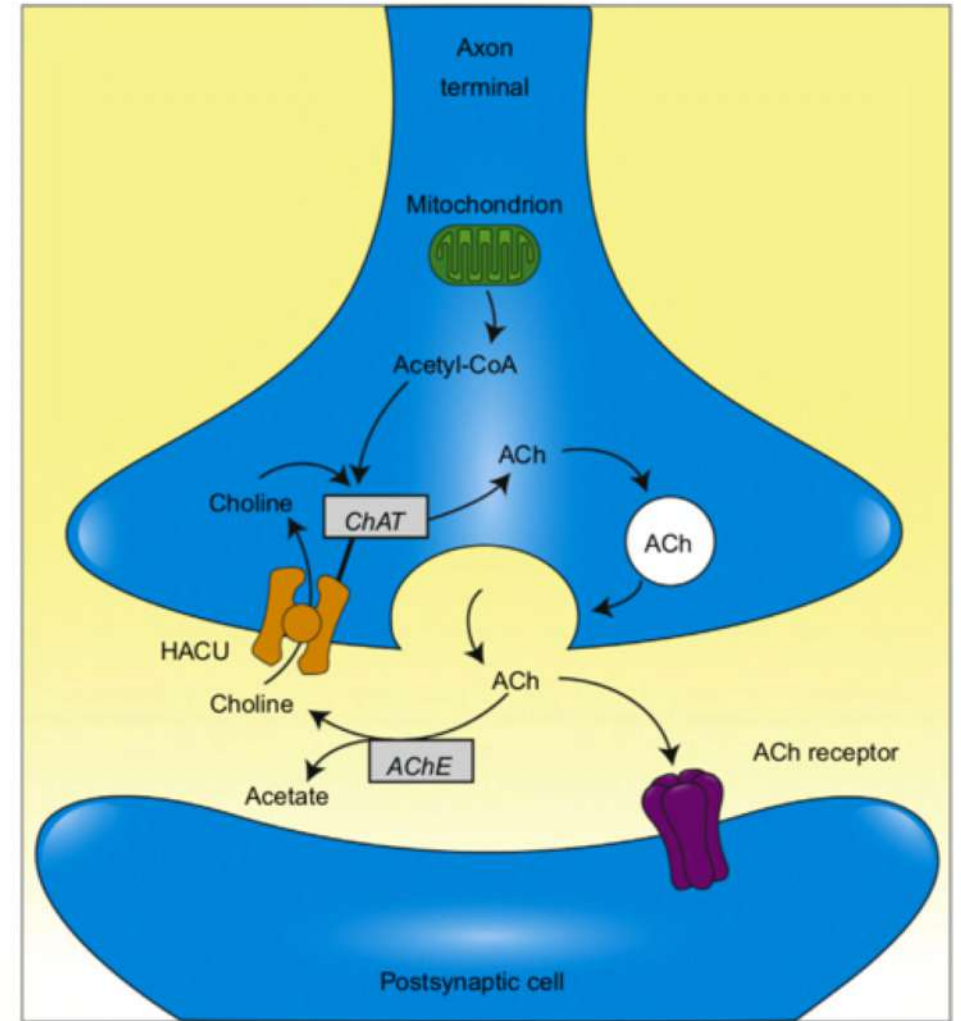
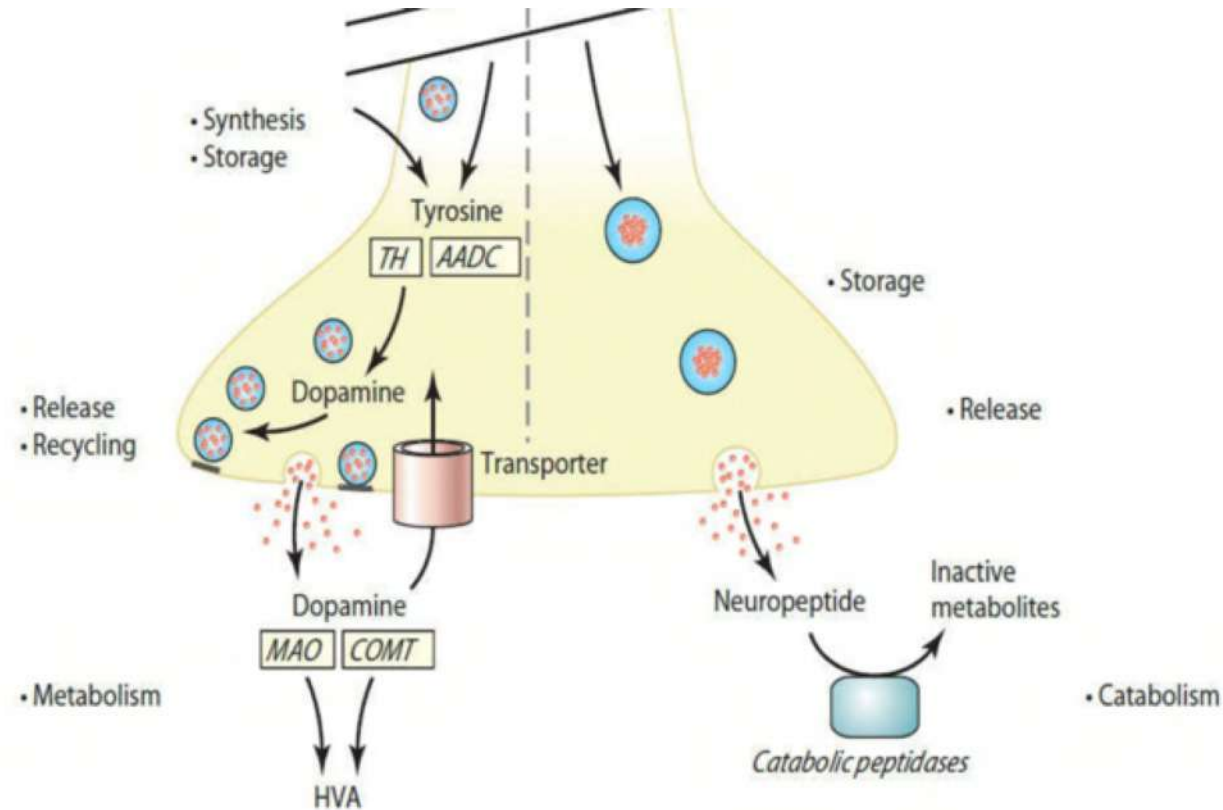


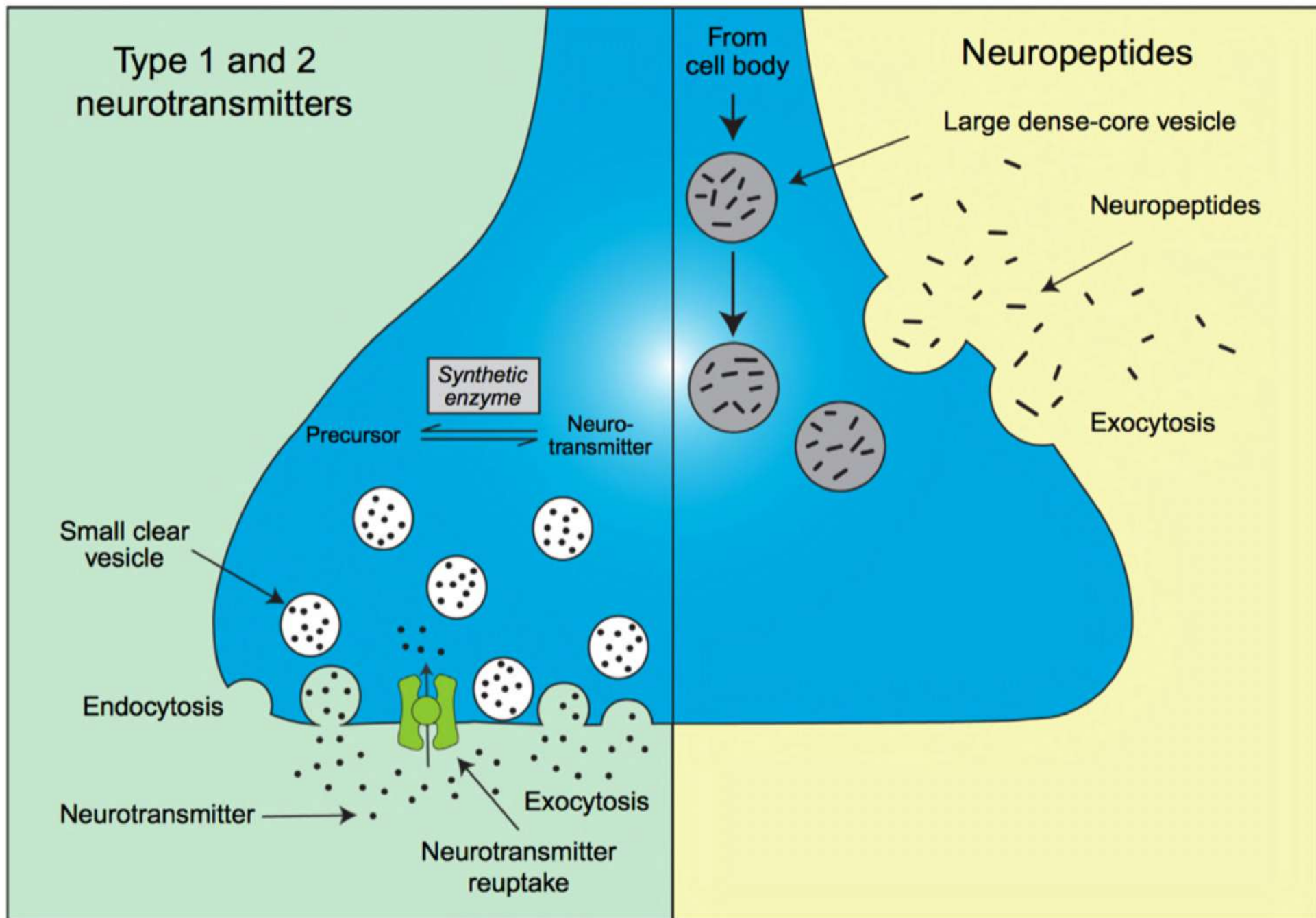
FIGURE 16.6 The synthesis and breakdown of acetylcholine at a synapse.

# Neuropeptides

Their action is terminated by endopeptidases and exopeptidases that cleave peptide bonds.

Neuropeptides are not recycled and need to be synthesized anew from raw materials in the cell body.

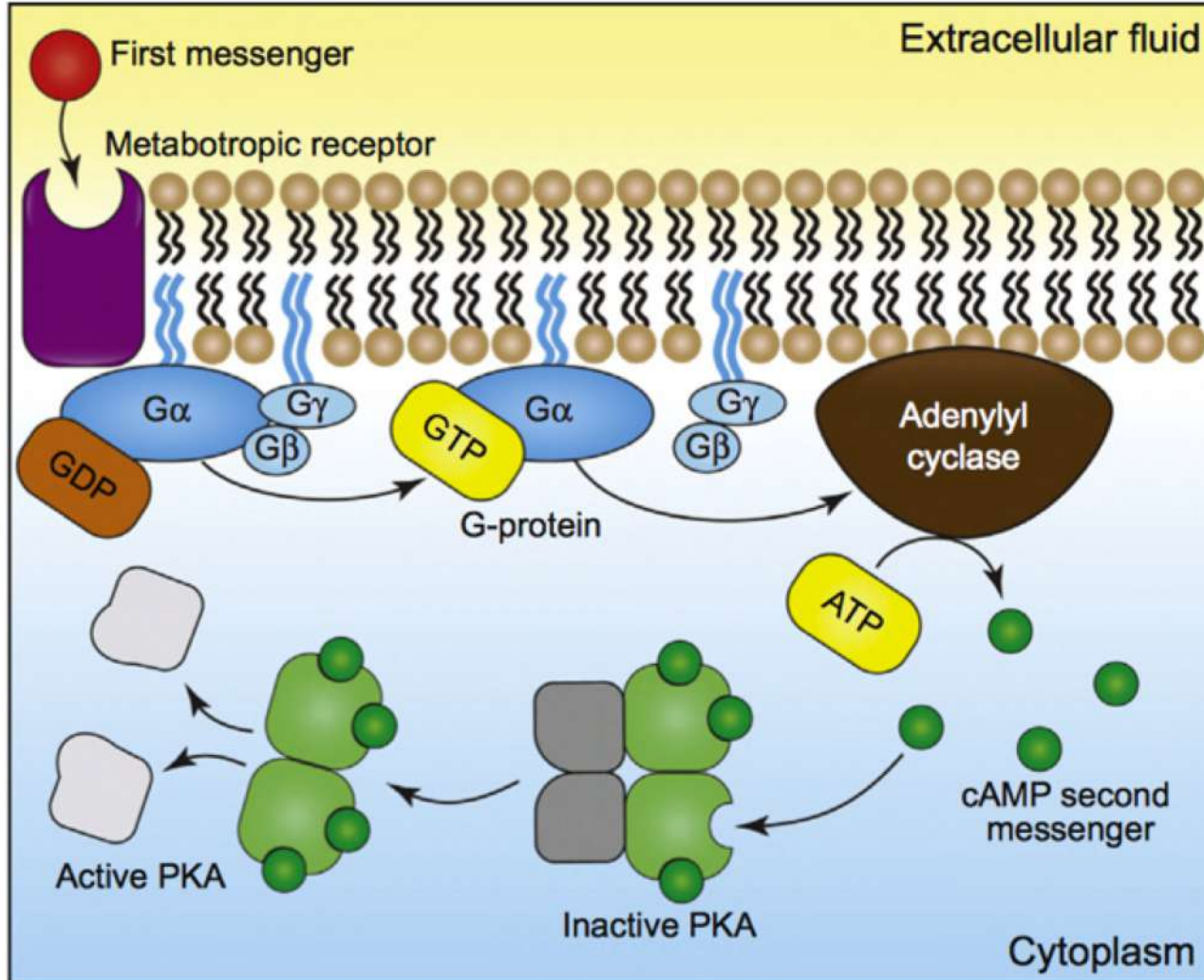




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# GPCR cAMP Pathway

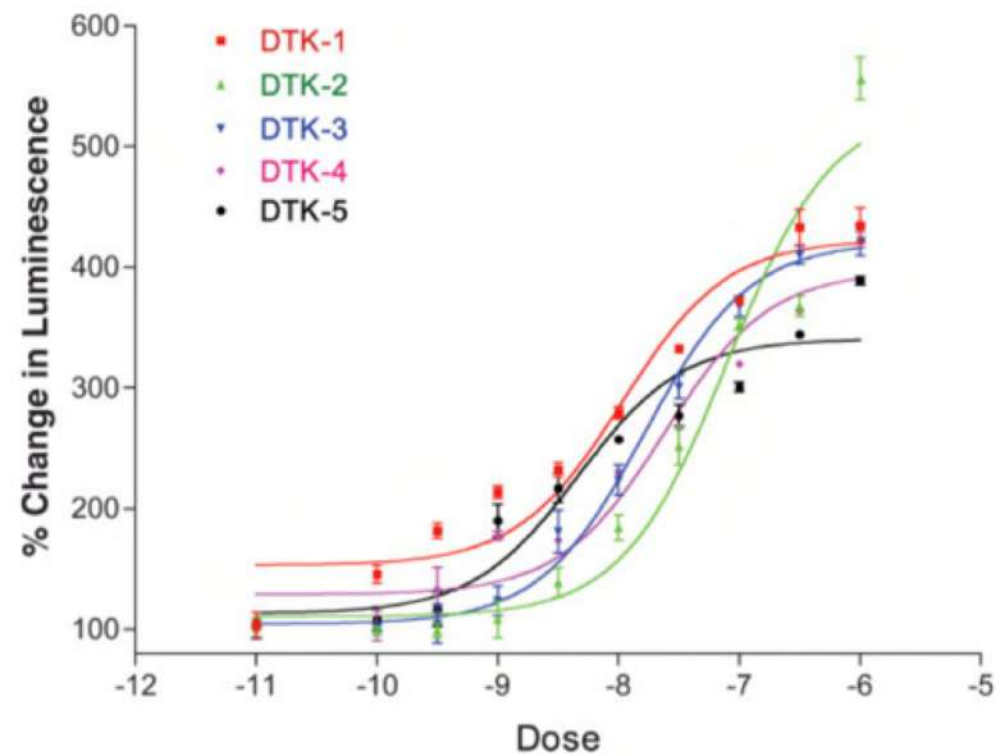
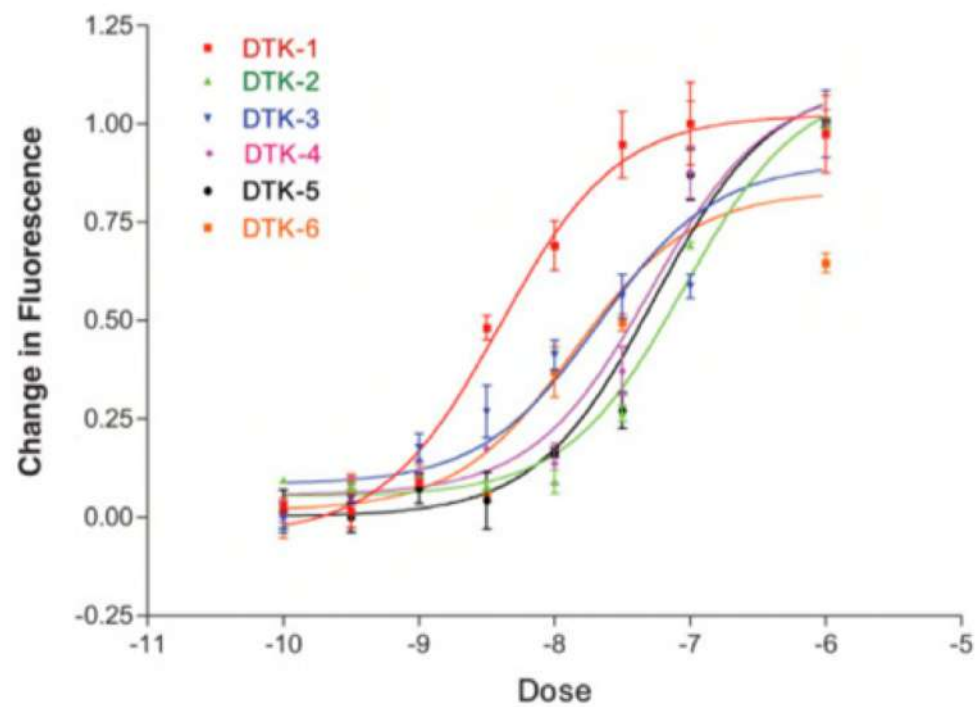
## cAMP-PKA Pathway



PKA phosphorylates a wide variety of targets, including many receptors and ion channels that govern the excitability of neurons.



# DTK receptor



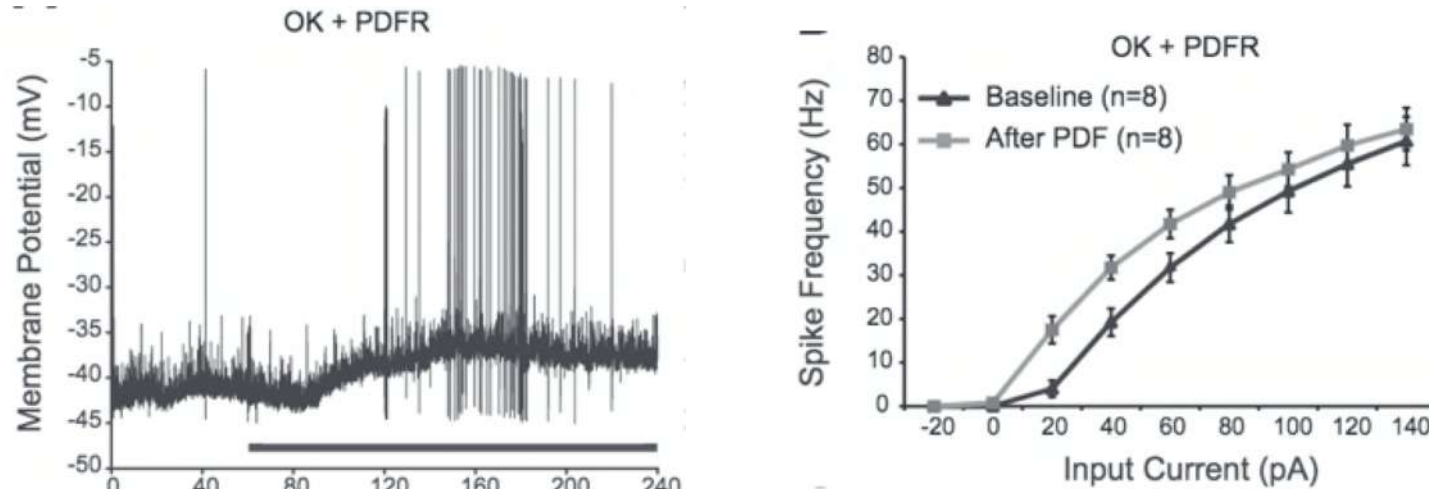
# The *Drosophila* neuropeptides PDF and sNPF have opposing electrophysiological and molecular effects on central neurons

**Christopher G. Vecsey, Nicolás Pírez, and Leslie C. Griffith**

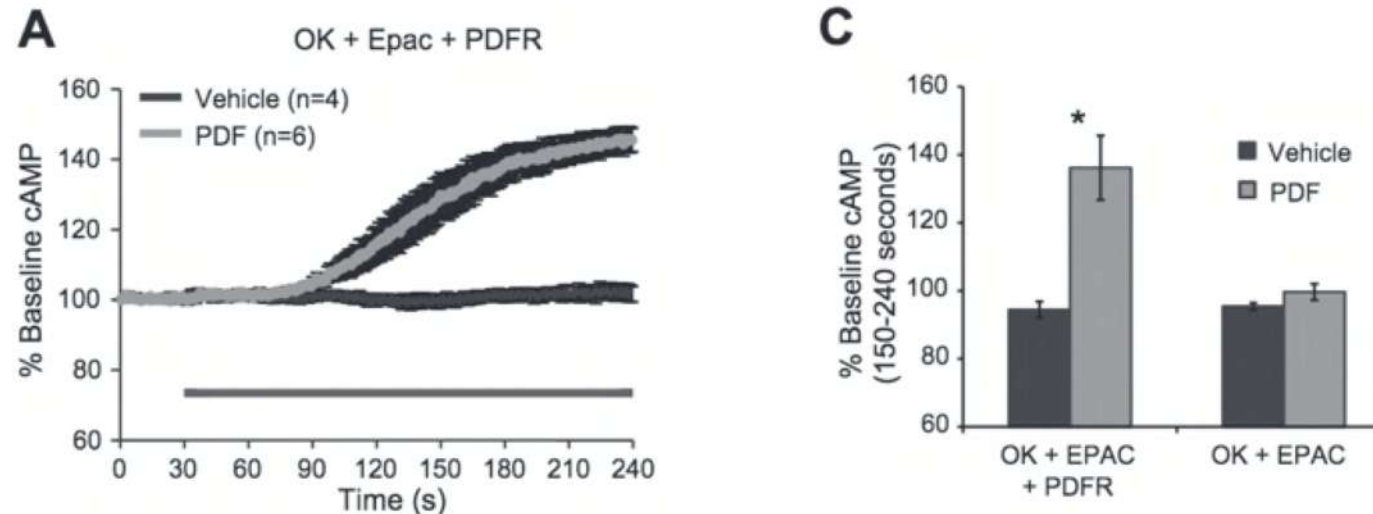
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## PDF causes excitation of larval motor neurons expressing the PDFR



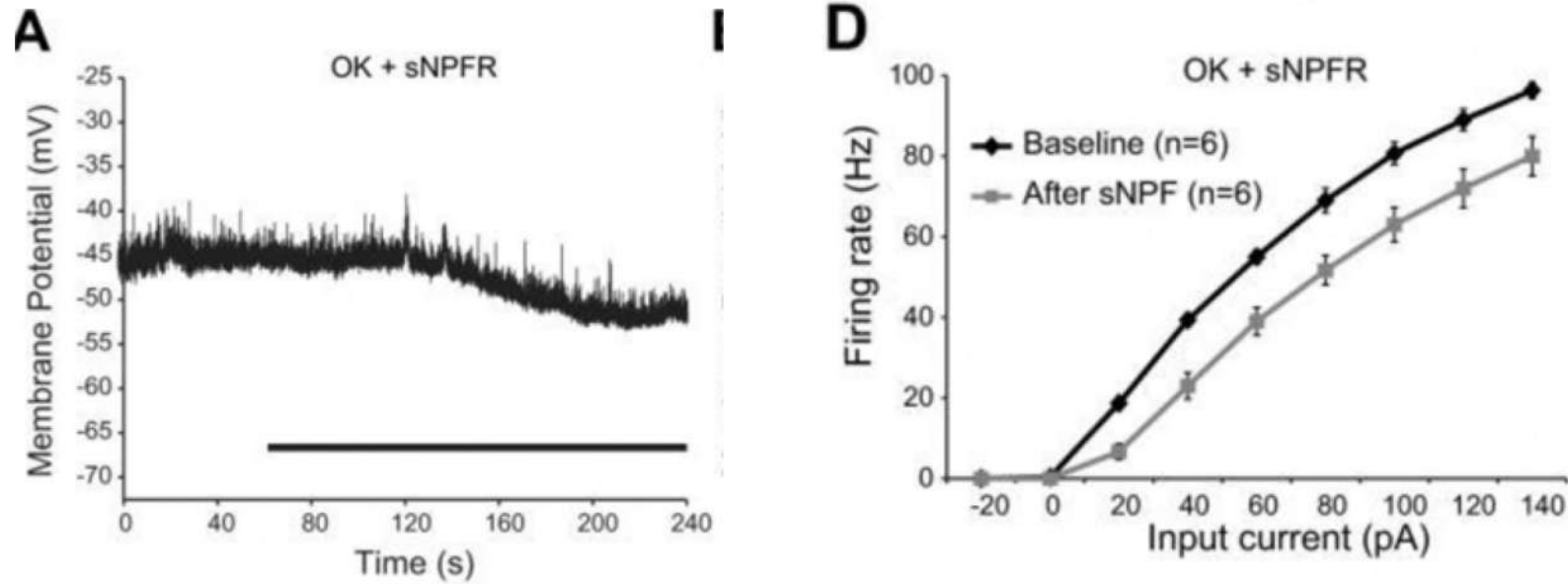
## PDF increases cAMP levels in both motor neurons and muscle cells expressing the PDFR



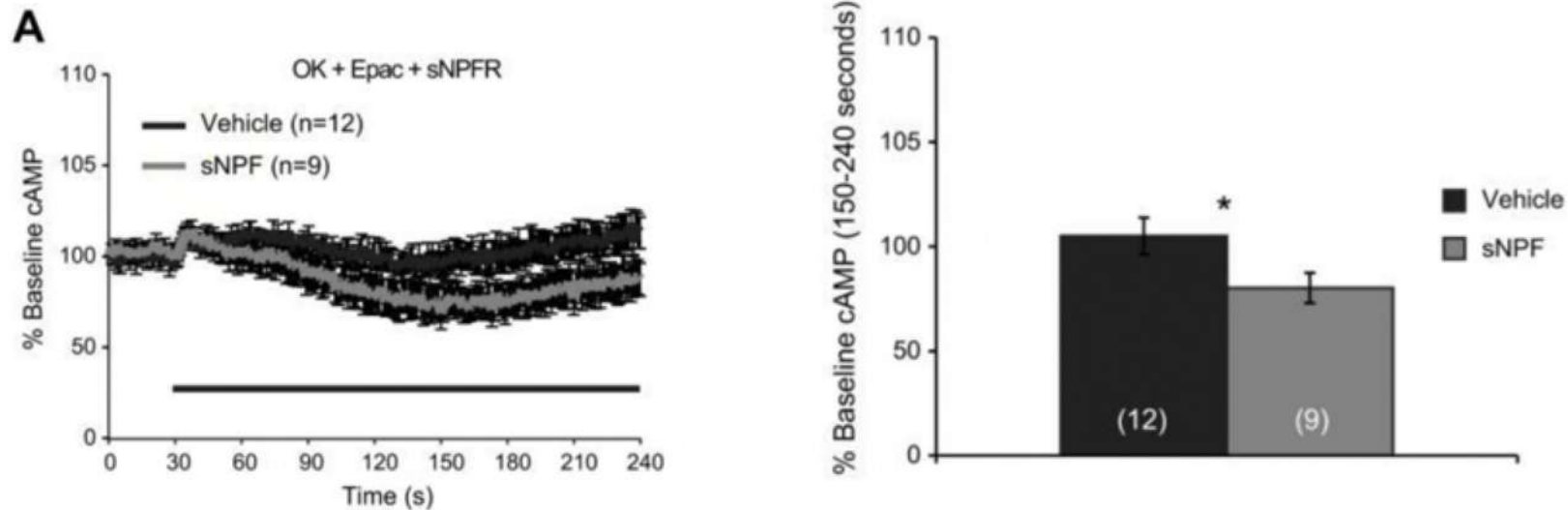
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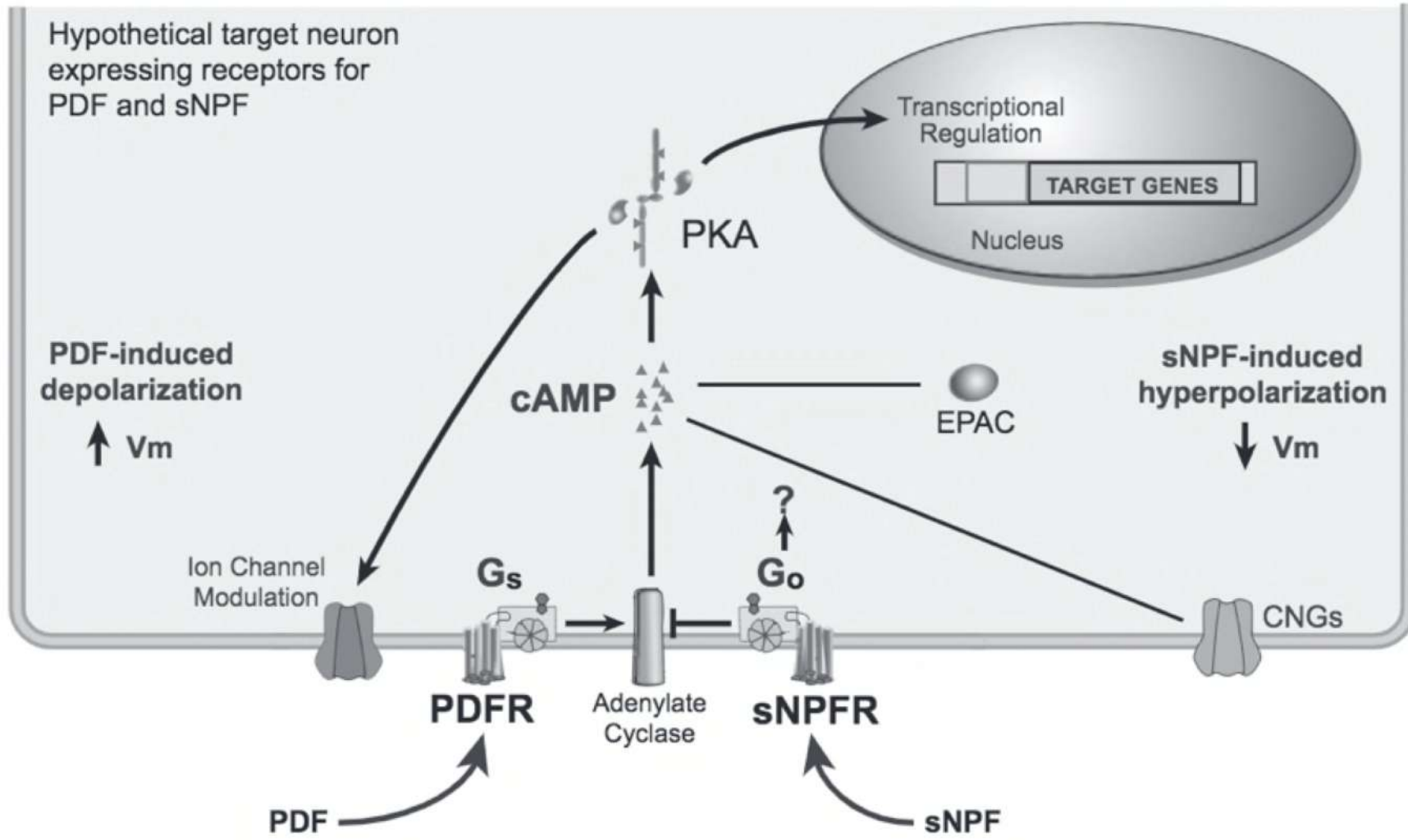
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sNPF inhibits larval motor neurons expressing the SNPFR.



sNPF causes a slight reduction in cAMP and suppresses spontaneous calcium waves in motor neurons expressing the sNPF.







# GPCR Phosphoinositol Pathway

## PLC-PKC pathway

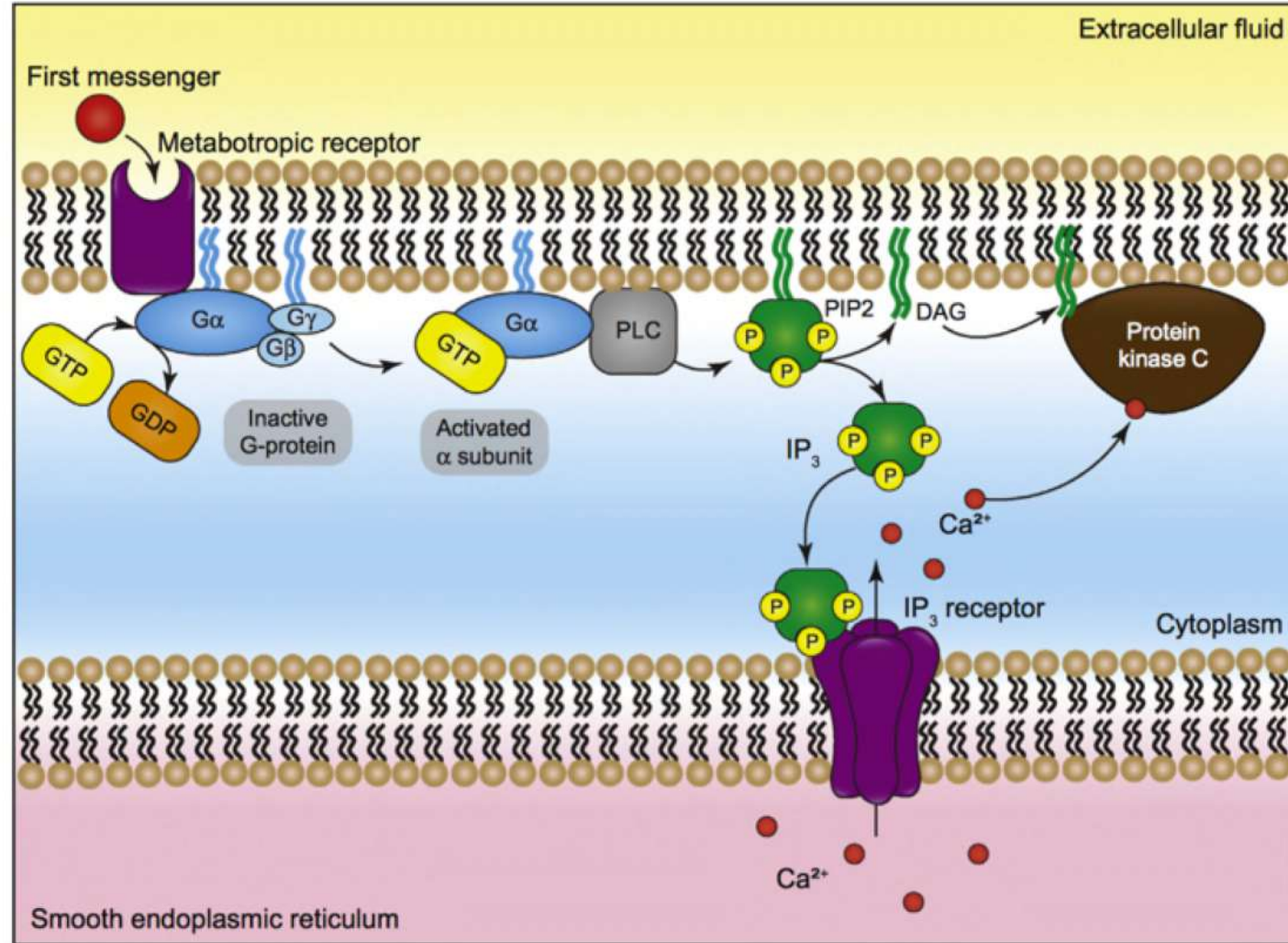
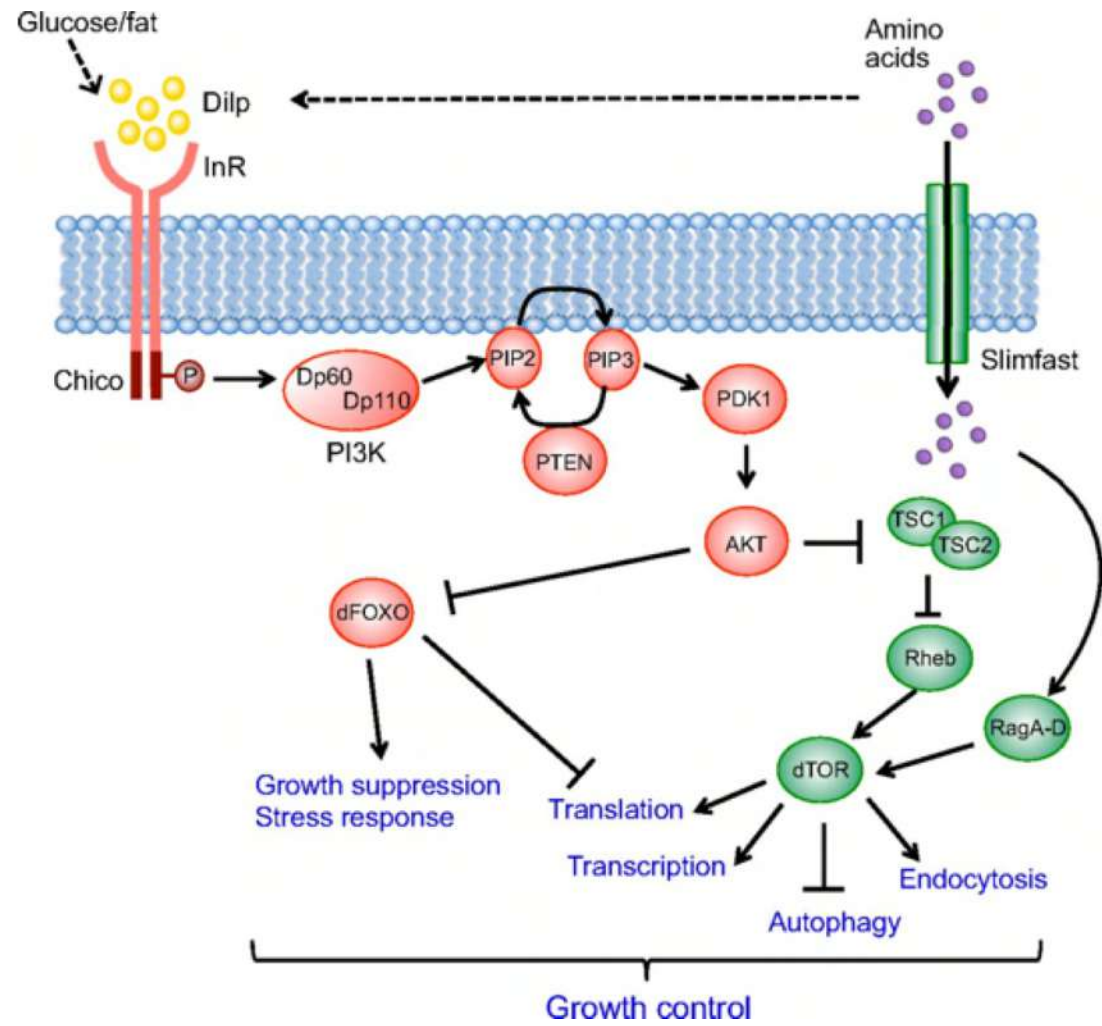


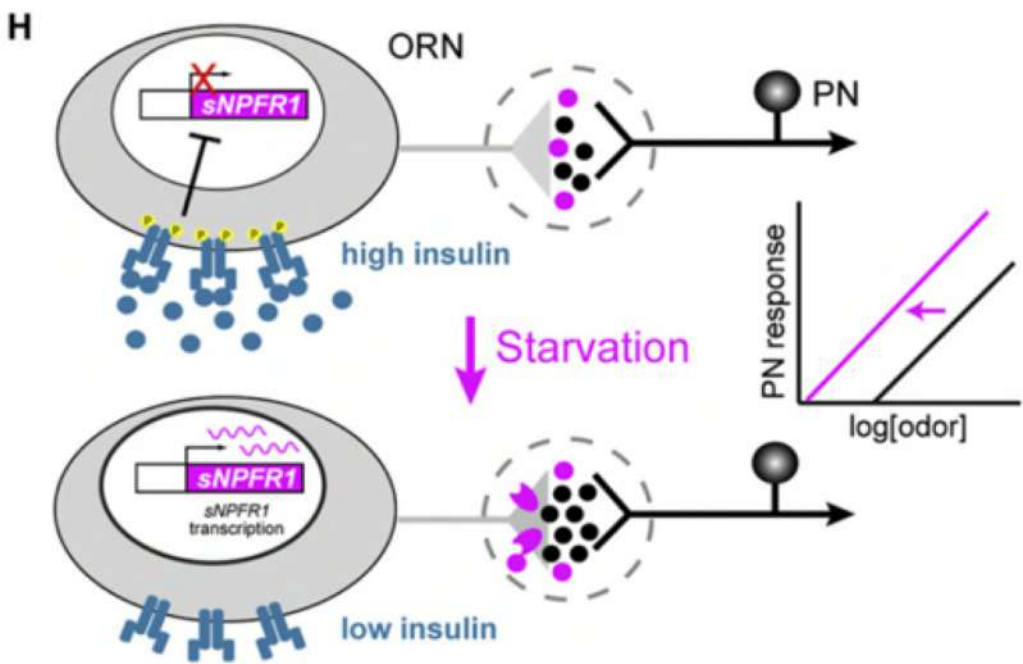
FIGURE 12.13 The phosphoinositol (PI) pathway.

# Enzyme-Linked Receptors: receptor tyrosine kinases



J. Shim, S. Gururaja-Rao, U. Banerjee. Dev Camb Engl. 140, 4647–56 (2013).

## Insulin Signaling Modulates Expression of sNPFR1



C. M. Root, K. I. Ko, A. Jafari, J. W. Wang, Cell. 145, 133–44 (2011).

# The use of multiple neurotransmitters at synapses

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# The “one neuron, one neurotransmitter” doctrine



Henry Hallett Dale



John C. Eccles

## “Dale’ s Principle”

1. Each neuron expresses exactly one neurotransmitter.
2. A neuron’ s neurotransmitter phenotype (the set of neurotransmitters that it releases) is fixed and unchangeable.
3. A neuron releases the same neurotransmitter at each of its synapses.

For his study of acetylcholine as agent in the chemical transmission of nerve impulses ( neurotransmission) he shared the 1936 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine with Otto Loewi.

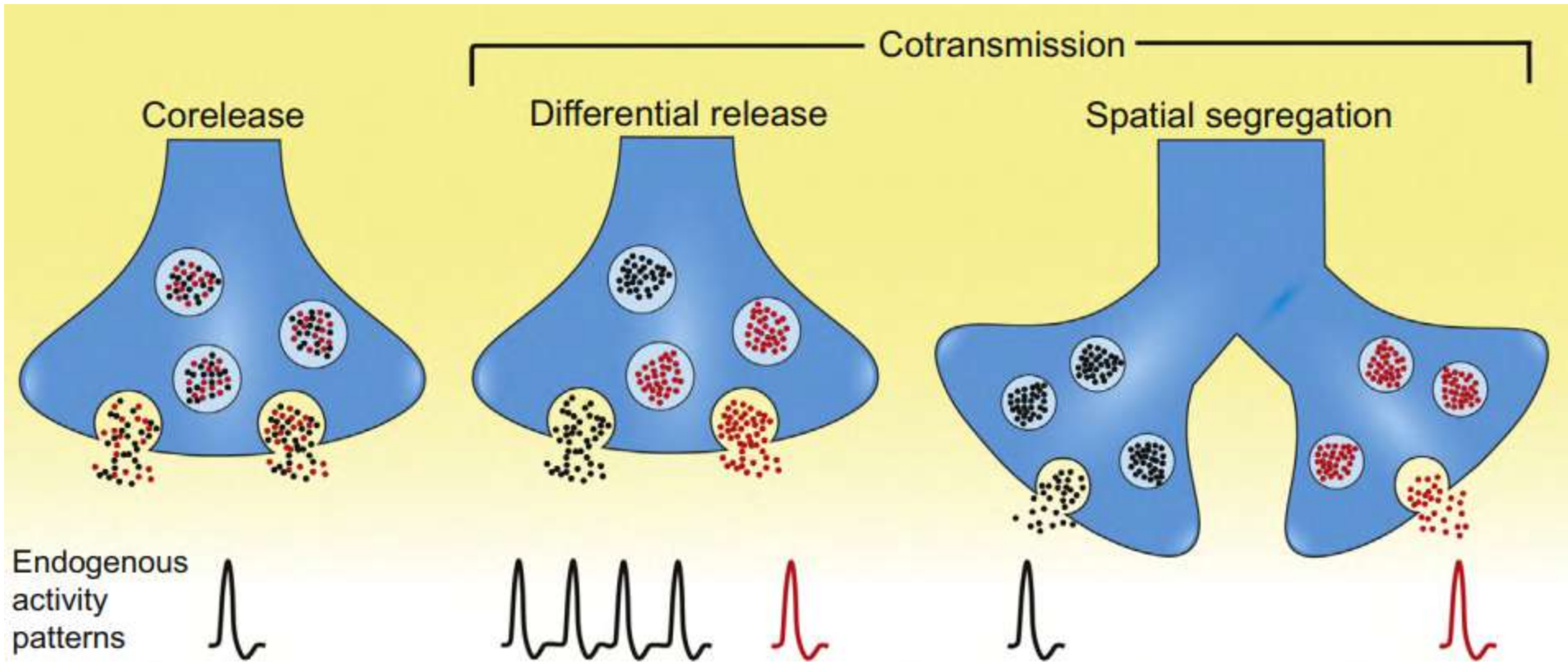
Do some nerve cells release more than one neurotransmitter?



# We now know that:

1. Most or all neurons express multiple neurotransmitters.
2. A neuron's neurotransmitter phenotype can change.
3. Some neurons release different neurotransmitters at different synapses.

# Different mechanisms of cotransmission



# Peptidergic Cotransmission

- Neuropeptides are packaged into large dense-core vesicles
  - Small-molecule transmitters are packaged separately into small clear vesicles
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- Neuropeptides tend to mediate slower, longer-lasting changes in cells than small-molecule neurotransmitters do

The neurotransmitter phenotype of a synapse  
can change during development

- **Neurotransmitter switching**

Neurons can switch from expressing one neurotransmitter to expressing another, gain expression of an additional neurotransmitter, or lose expression of one or more of their multiple neurotransmitters

# Neurotransmitter switching

- Neurotransmitter switching in the developing nervous system
- Neurotransmitter switching in the adult nervous system

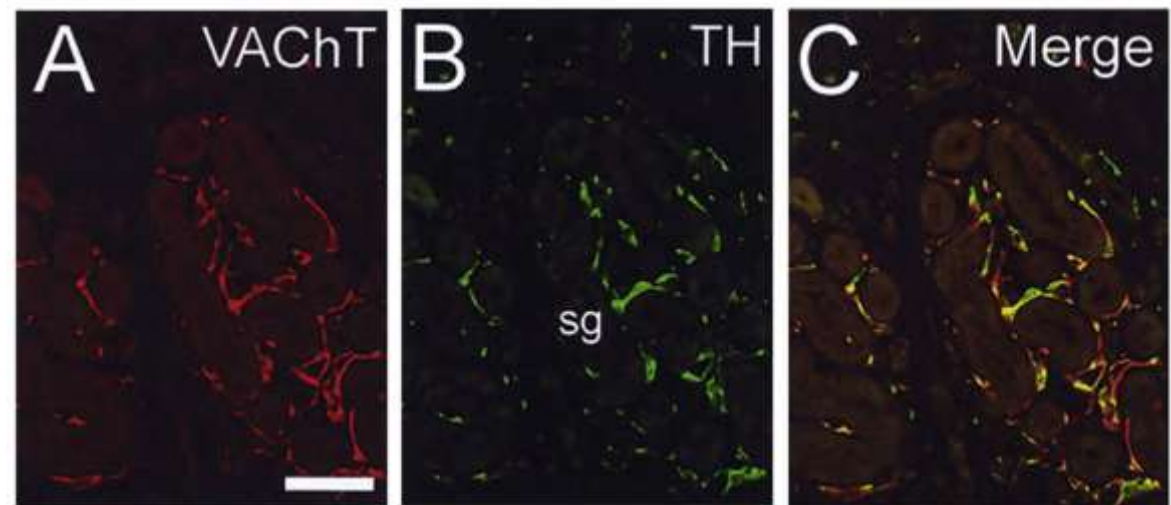


# Developmental neurotransmitter switching: The noradrenergic-to-cholinergic switch in sympathetic neurons

**“Cholinergic switch” *in vivo***

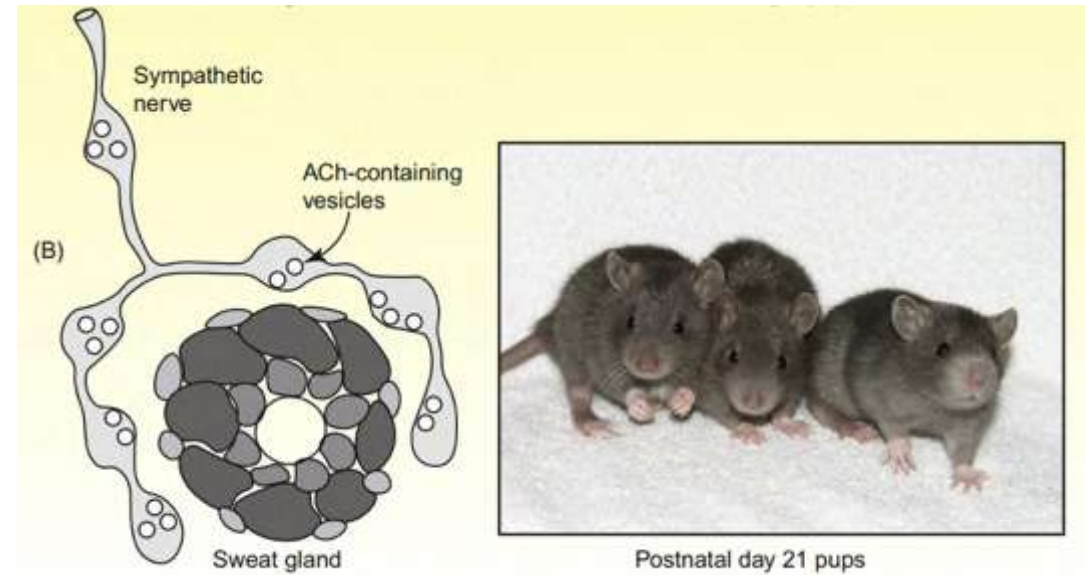
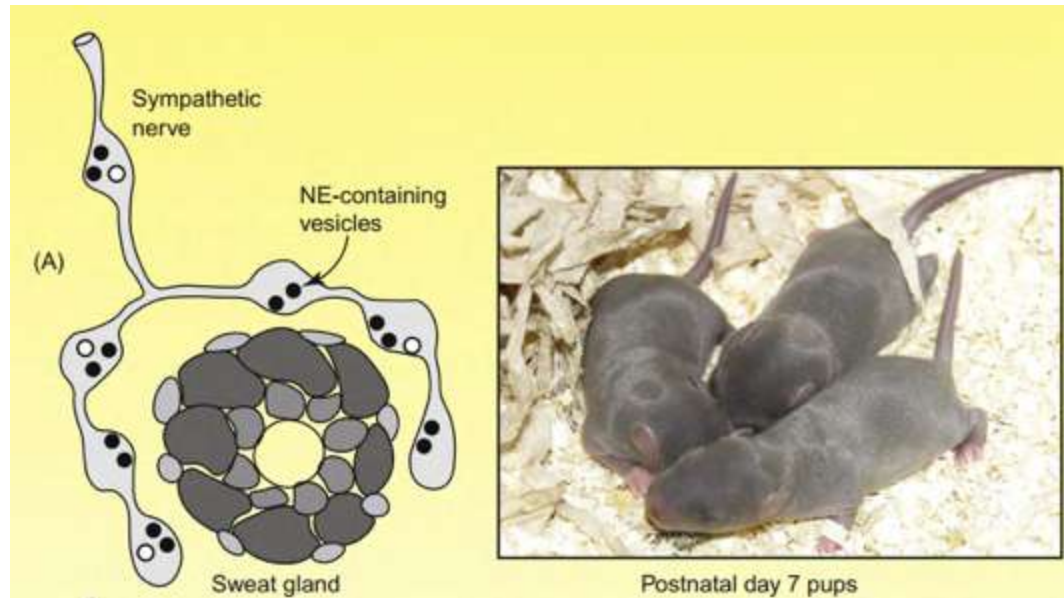
The cultured superior cervical ganglion (SCG) neurons that normally release norepinephrine as their neurotransmitter can undergo a developmental switch to acetylcholine.

**Does neurotransmitter phenotype ever change in living organisms?**



Cholinergic and noradrenergic 胆碱能和去加肾上腺素能 markers are coexpressed in mouse sudomotor nerve terminals even after cholinergic switch

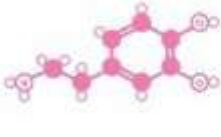
# Developmental neurotransmitter switching: The noradrenergic-to-cholinergic switch in sympathetic neurons



Rat sudomotor nerve terminals contain many catecholamine (norepinephrine)-containing vesicles for several days after birth, but these vesicles disappear by postnatal day 21.

# Spontaneous electrical activity drives neurotransmitter switching

## Developmental neurotransmitter differentiation

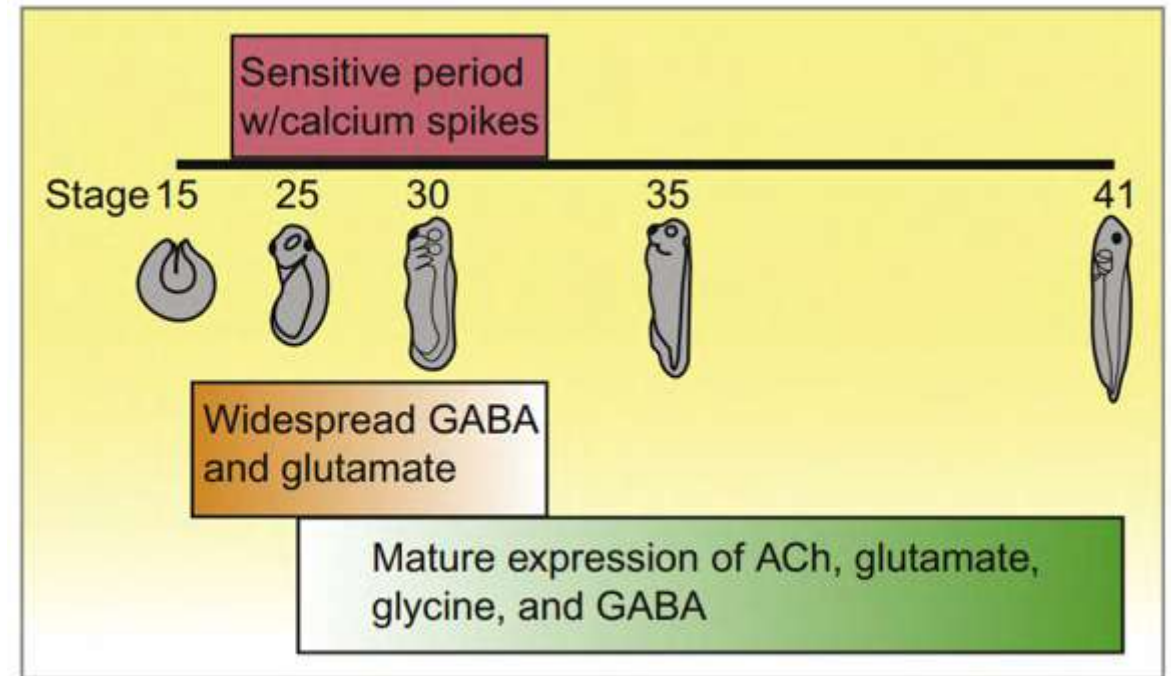
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| <b>ADRENALINE</b><br><br>Fight or flight neurotransmitter | <b>NORADRENALINE</b><br><br>Concentration neurotransmitter | <b>DOPAMINE</b><br><br>Pleasure neurotransmitter | <b>SEROTONIN</b><br><br>Mood neurotransmitter       |
| <b>GABA</b><br><br>Calming neurotransmitter              | <b>ACETYLCHOLINE</b><br><br>Learning neurotransmitter     | <b>GLUTAMATE</b><br><br>Memory neurotransmitter | <b>ENDORPHINS</b><br><br>Euphoria neurotransmitter |

How does each type of neuron “know” the correct neurotransmitter phenotype to switch to?

- voltage-gated calcium channels

# Spontaneous electrical activity drives neurotransmitter switching

- **In mature neurons**, action potentials are sodium-dependent
- **In immature neurons**, action potentials are often calcium-dependent
- Calcium spiking activity causes immature neurons to release paracrine factors that induce surrounding cells to undergo changes in neurotransmitter phenotype



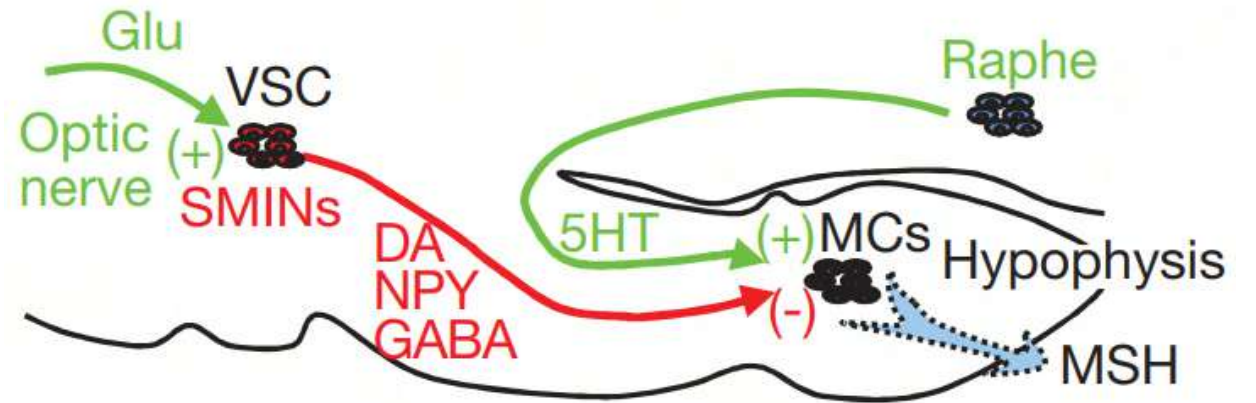
Timing of activity-dependent neurotransmitter switching in the *Xenopus laevis* spinal cord

Whether natural environmental stimuli specify transmitter expression in a neuronal population ?

# Sensation-Mediated Neurotransmitter Switching



*Xenopus tadpole* pigmentation changes in response to surrounding light levels





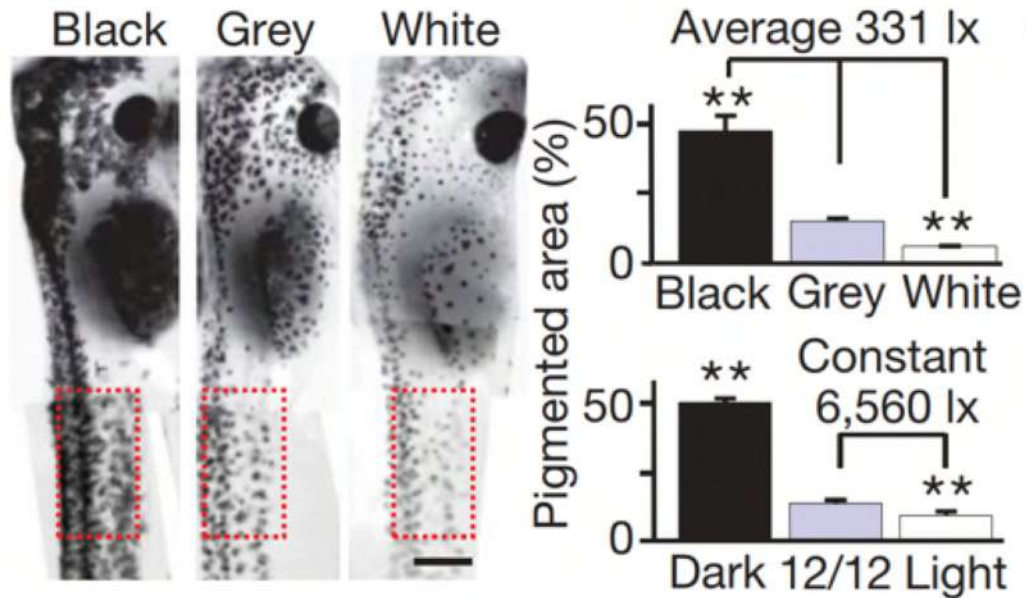
## ARTICLES

# Illumination controls differentiation of dopamine neurons regulating behaviour

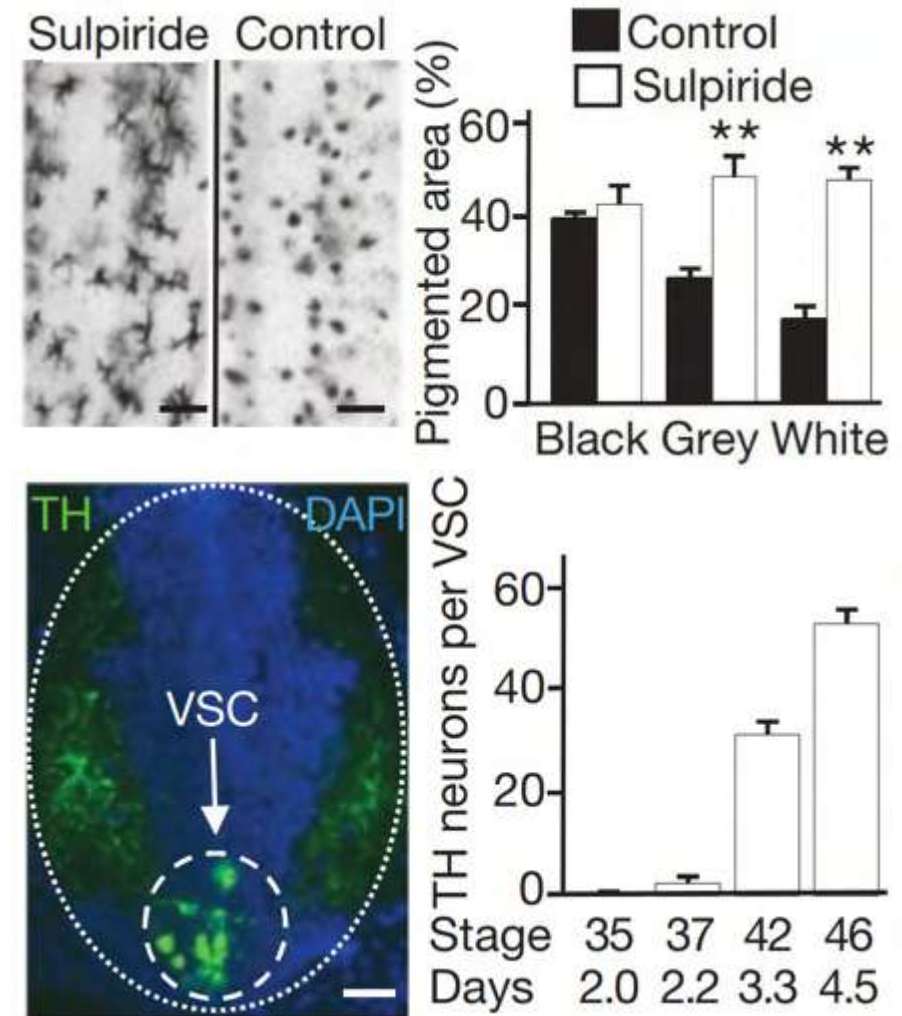
Davide Dulcis<sup>1</sup> & Nicholas C. Spitzer<sup>1</sup>

Specification of the appropriate neurotransmitter is a crucial step in neuronal differentiation because it enables signalling among populations of neurons. Experimental manipulations demonstrate that both autonomous and activity-dependent genetic programs contribute to this process during development, but whether natural environmental stimuli specify transmitter expression in a neuronal population is unknown. We investigated neurons of the ventral suprachiasmatic nucleus that regulate neuroendocrine pituitary function in response to light in teleosts, amphibia and primates. Here we show that **altering light exposure**, which changes the sensory input to the circuit controlling adaptation of skin pigmentation to background, **changes the number of neurons expressing dopamine** in larvae of the amphibian *Xenopus laevis* in a circuit-specific and activity-dependent manner. Neurons newly expressing dopamine then regulate changes in camouflage colouration in response to illumination. Thus, physiological activity alters the numbers of behaviourally relevant amine-transmitter-expressing neurons in the brain at postembryonic stages of development. The results may be pertinent to changes in cognitive states that are regulated by biogenic amines.

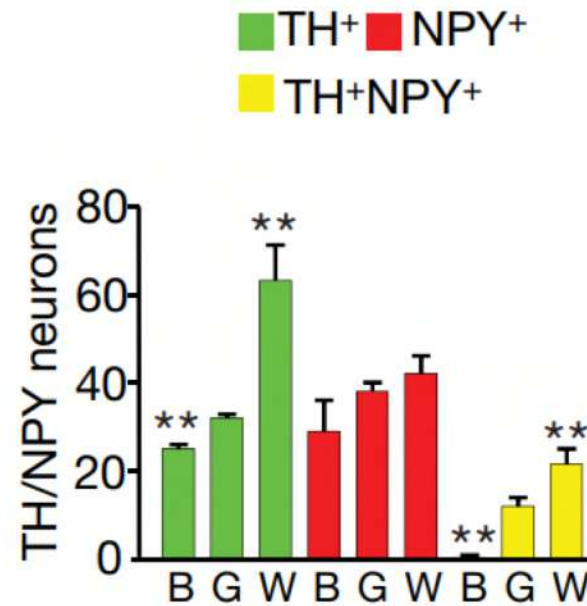
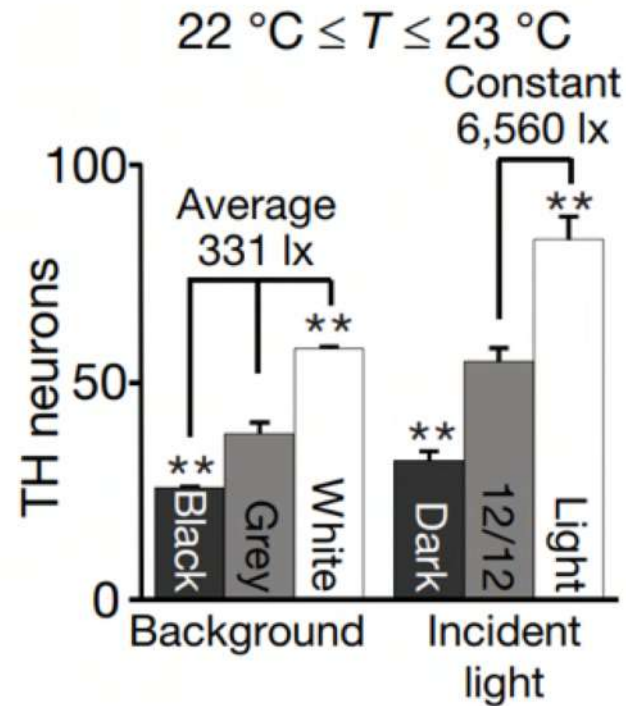
# Dopaminergic VSC neurons regulate skin pigmentation



Raising animals in different light levels changes pigmentation



# Illumination changes the number of dopaminergic neurons selectively in the VSC

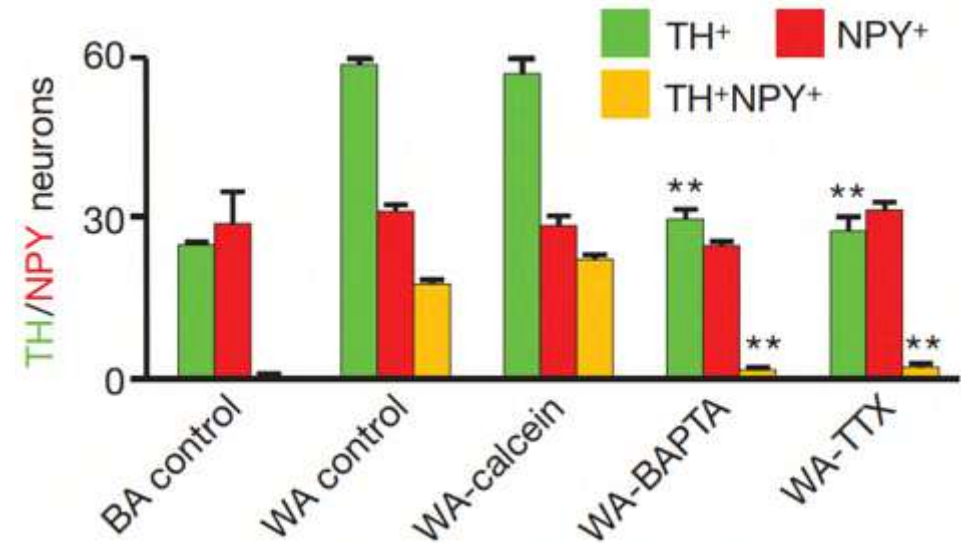
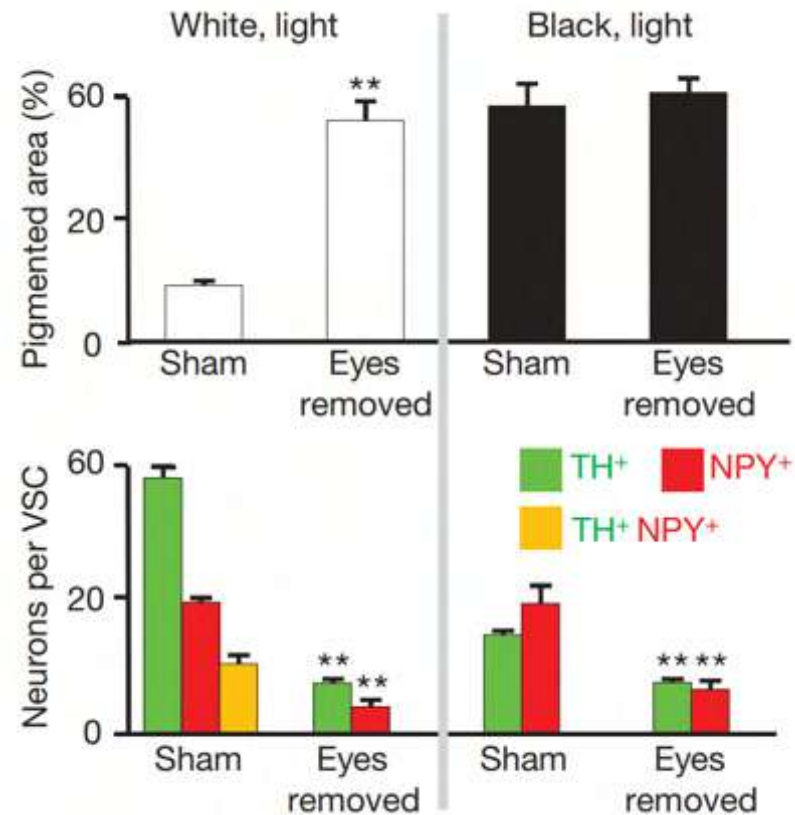


Two hour exposure to different background illumination changes the number of TH/NPY neurons in the VSC

Raising animals in different light levels changes the number of VSC TH neurons



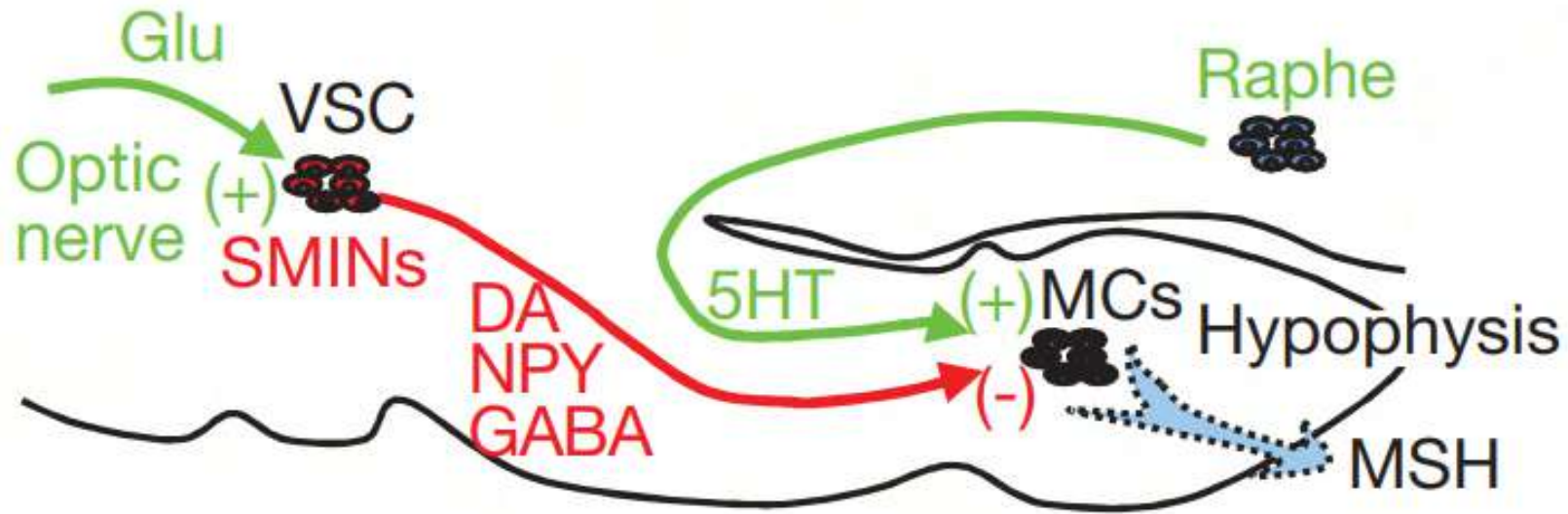
# Blocking physiological activity eliminates illumination dependent changes in the number of dopaminergic VSC neurons



TH and NPY identify VSC neurons in the WA control and black-adapted (BA) control and after suppression of activity

Binocular eye enucleation abolishes white-adaptation- and background-illumination-dependent changes in numbers of TH neurons

# The neuronal circuit controlling skin pigmentation



Glu: glutamate 谷氨酸

VSC: ventral subchiasmatic nucleus 腹侧视交叉上核

MC: melanotrope cells 脑垂体中生成促黑激素的细胞

MSH: melanocyte-stimulating-hormone 促黑激素

# Neurotransmitter switching

- Neurotransmitter switching in the developing nervous system
- Neurotransmitter switching in the adult nervous system



# “Stimulus-mediated” Neurotransmitter Switching in Mature Neurons



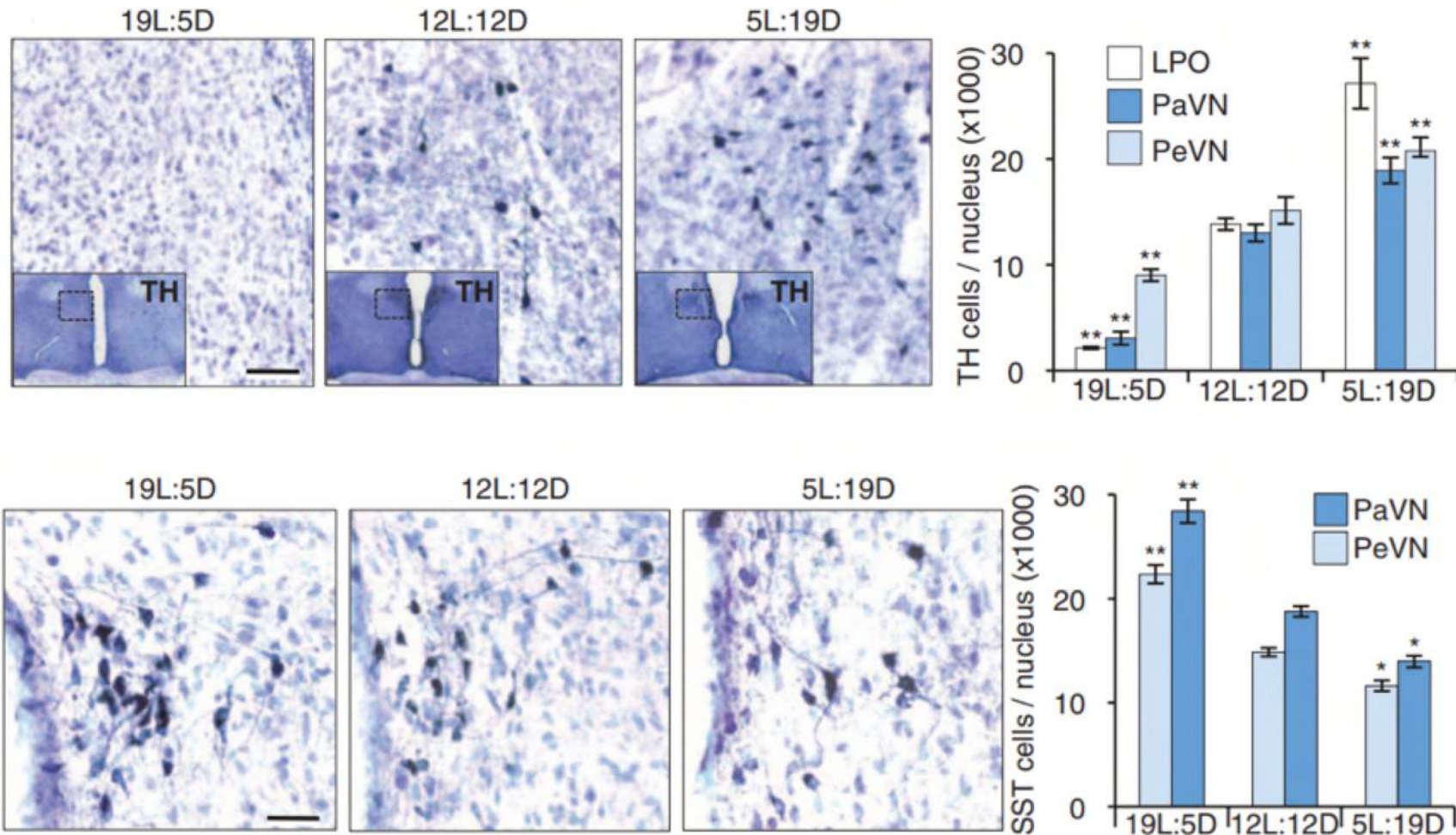
During winter, when the hours of daylight are shorter, many people suffer from a form of depression called seasonal affective disorder (SAD).

# Neurotransmitter Switching in the Adult Brain Regulates Behavior

Davide Dulcis,<sup>1,2\*†</sup> Pouya Jamshidi,<sup>1†‡</sup> Stefan Leutgeb,<sup>1,2</sup> Nicholas C. Spitzer<sup>1,2</sup>

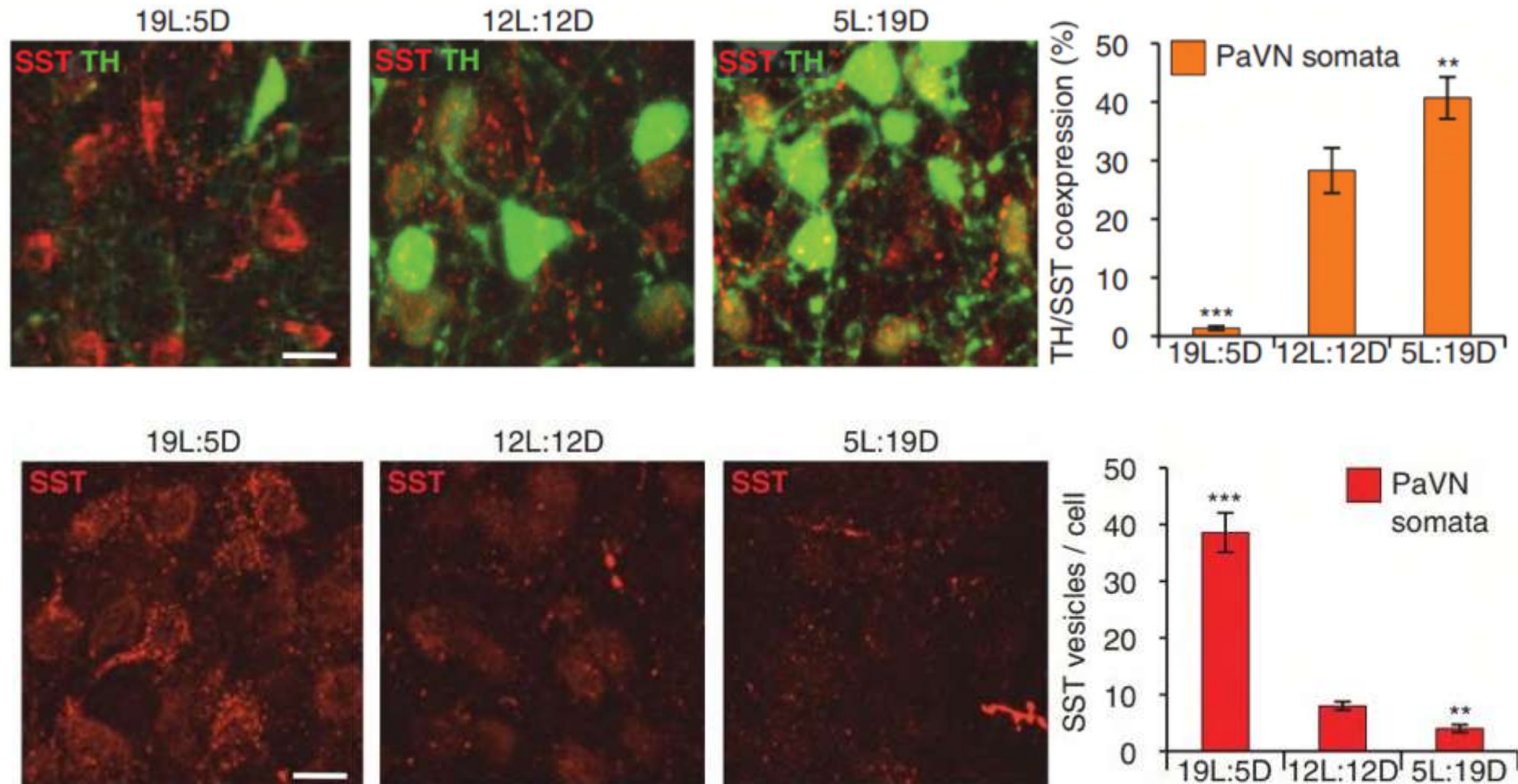
Neurotransmitters have been thought to be fixed throughout life, but whether sensory stimuli alter behaviorally relevant transmitter expression in the mature brain is unknown. We found that **populations of interneurons in the adult rat hypothalamus switched between dopamine and somatostatin expression in response to exposure to short- and long-day photoperiods.** Changes in postsynaptic dopamine receptor expression matched changes in presynaptic dopamine, whereas somatostatin receptor expression remained constant. Pharmacological blockade or ablation of these dopaminergic neurons led to anxious and depressed behavior, phenocopying performance after exposure to the long-day photoperiod. Induction of newly dopaminergic neurons through exposure to the short-day photoperiod rescued the behavioral consequences of lesions. Natural stimulation of other sensory modalities may cause changes in transmitter expression that regulate different behaviors.

# Photoperiods regulate numbers of dopaminergic neurons and SST-IR neurons

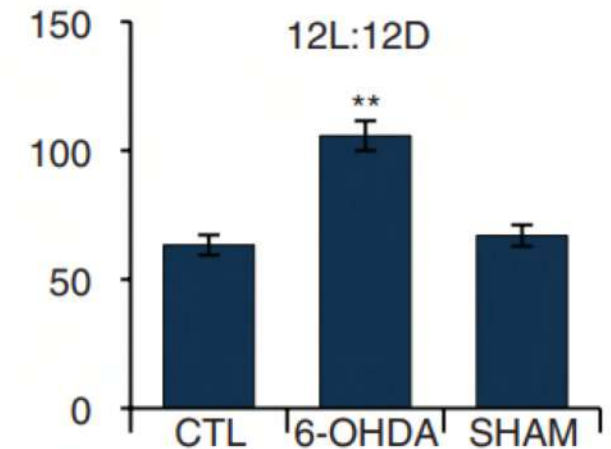
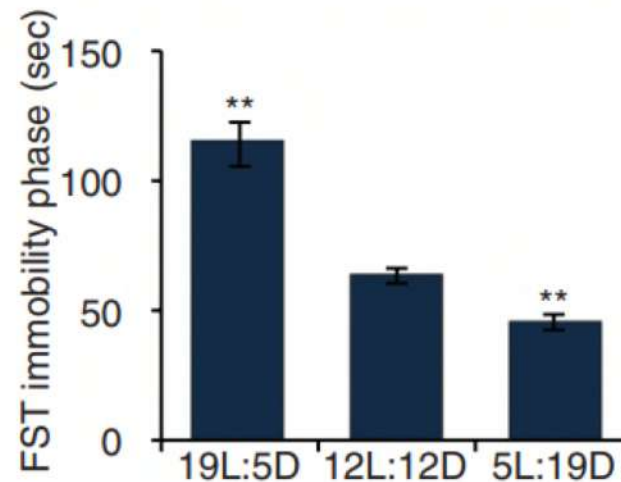
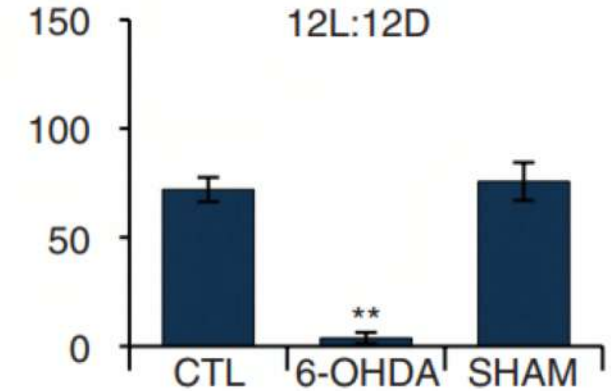
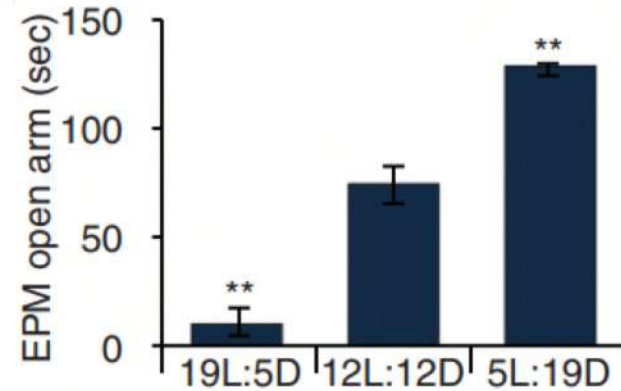
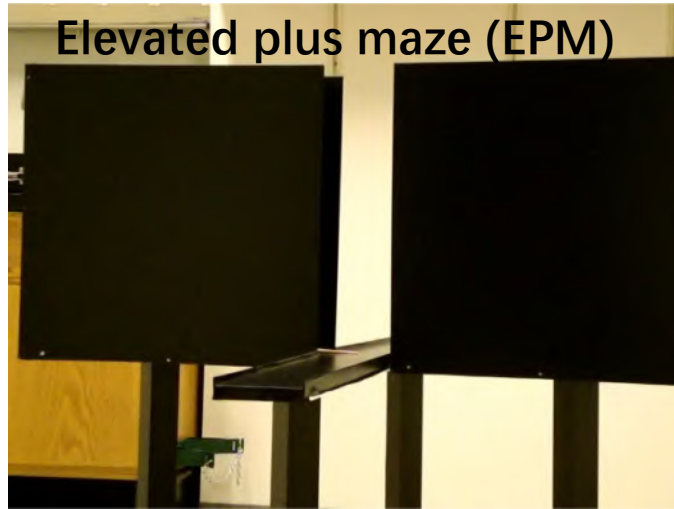




# Photoperiods drive neurotransmitter switching between dopamine and somatostatin



# Photoperiod-dependence of behaviors



# Neurotransmitter switch

A switch in the type of neurotransmitter released in the brain underlies changes in mammalian behavior associated with day-night cycles.

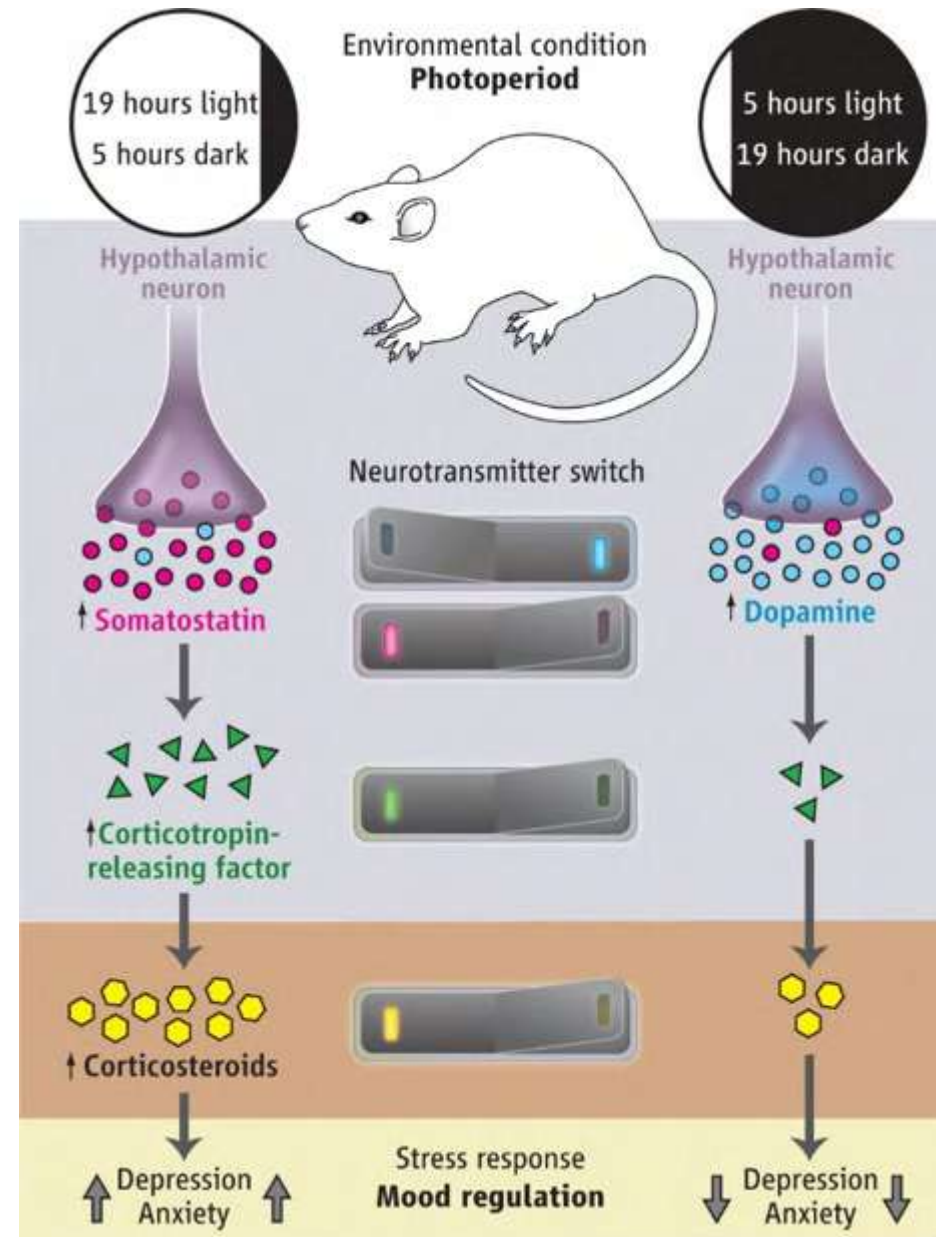
Hypothalamic neuron 下丘脑神经元

Somatostatin 生长激素抑制素

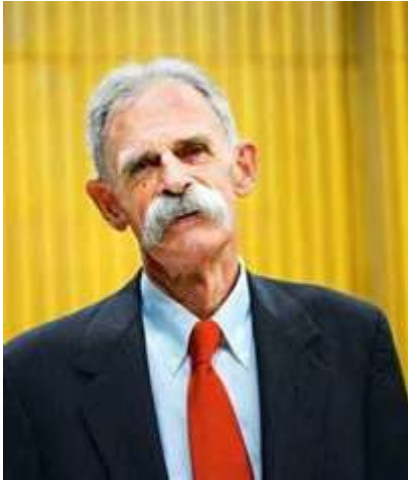
Dopamin 多巴胺

Corticotrophin-releasing factor 促肾上腺皮质激素释放因子

Corticosteroids (肾上腺)皮质激素







## Nicholas C. Spitzer

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### Research

We study **neurotransmitter switching**, a newly appreciated form of neuroplasticity in which neurons change the transmitters that they make and release in response to sustained sensory or motor activity. **Transmitter identity shifts from excitatory to inhibitory or vice versa**, with matching changes in postsynaptic receptors, both in the developing amphibian nervous system and in the adult rodent brain. Perhaps unsurprisingly the reversal of the sign of **synaptic transmission** is accompanied by changes in the **animals' behavior**.

# Summary

- Many neurons make and release two or more neurotransmitters including small-molecules and neuropeptides.
- Neurotransmitters can elicit a variety of different actions on their neuron targets to alter neuronal excitability or synaptic transmission.

# Discussion

- How does the transient expression of specific neurotransmitters in developing neurons aid in refining circuits ?
- How do maturing neurons adopt a neurotransmitter phenotype appropriate for their target tissue or environment ?

# Neuron-glia Cell Interactions in *Drosophila*

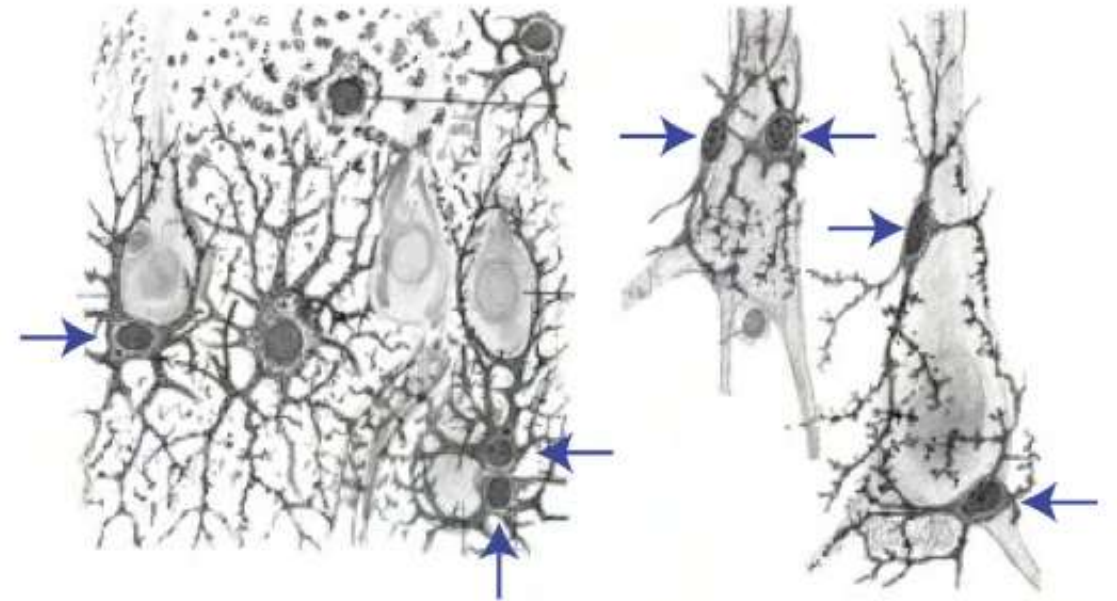
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# Composition of nerve tissue

Nervous Tissue

- neuron: Receive, integrate, and transmit nerve impulses
- glial cell: support neurons

Do glial cells affect the activity of neurons?



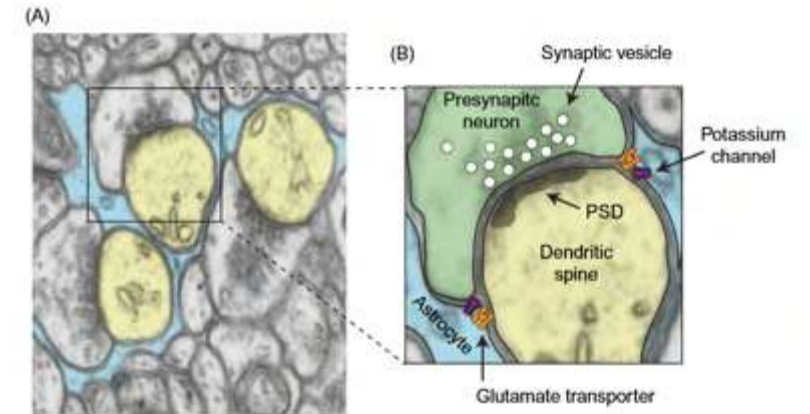
García-Marín et al., 2007.



# Synapse structure

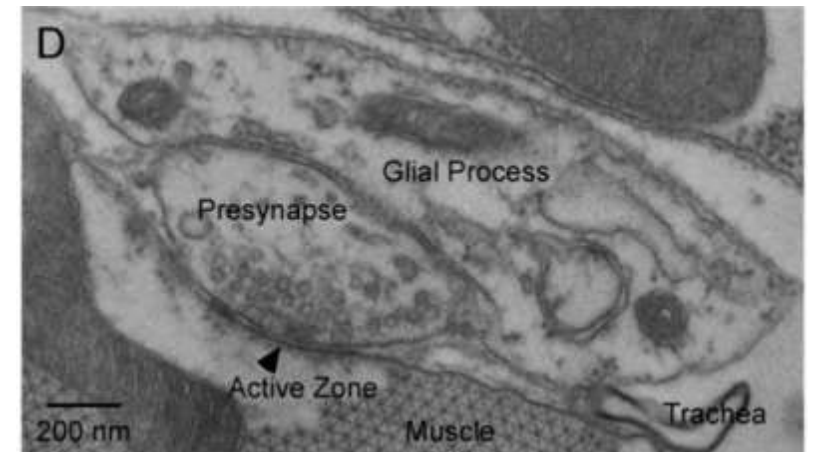
Tripartite Synapse

- presynaptic terminal
- postsynaptic cell
- surrounding glial cells



Atlas of Ultrastructural Neurocytology  
<http://synapseweb.clm.utexas.edu/atlas>

Do glial cells regulate the transmission of nerve impulses?

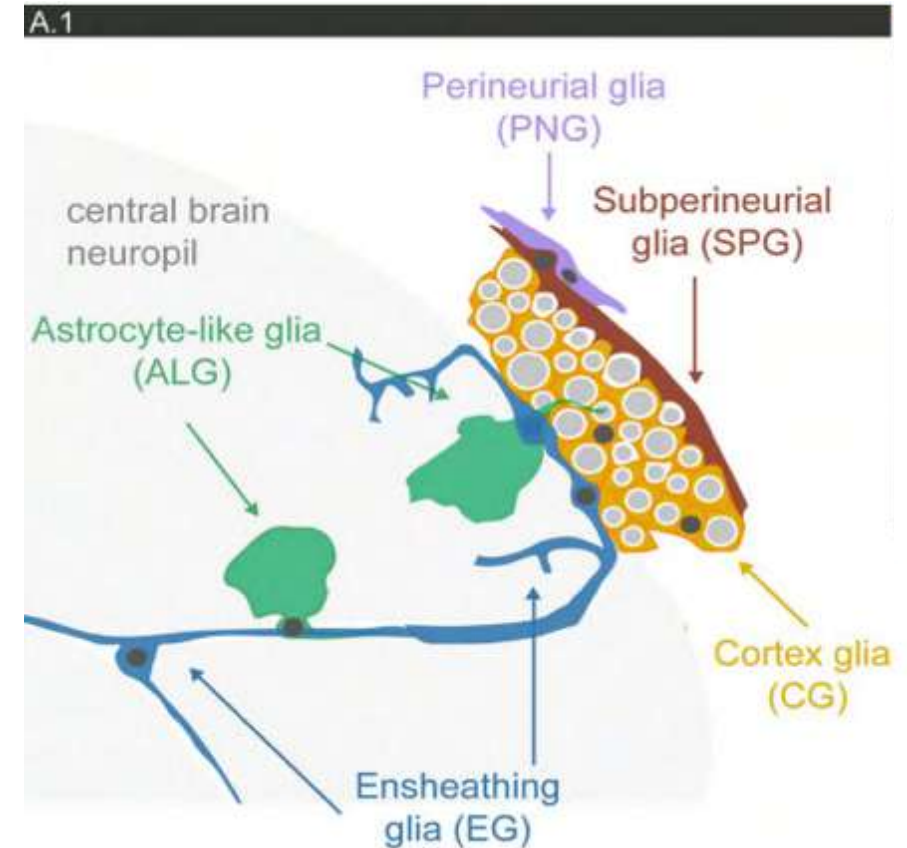
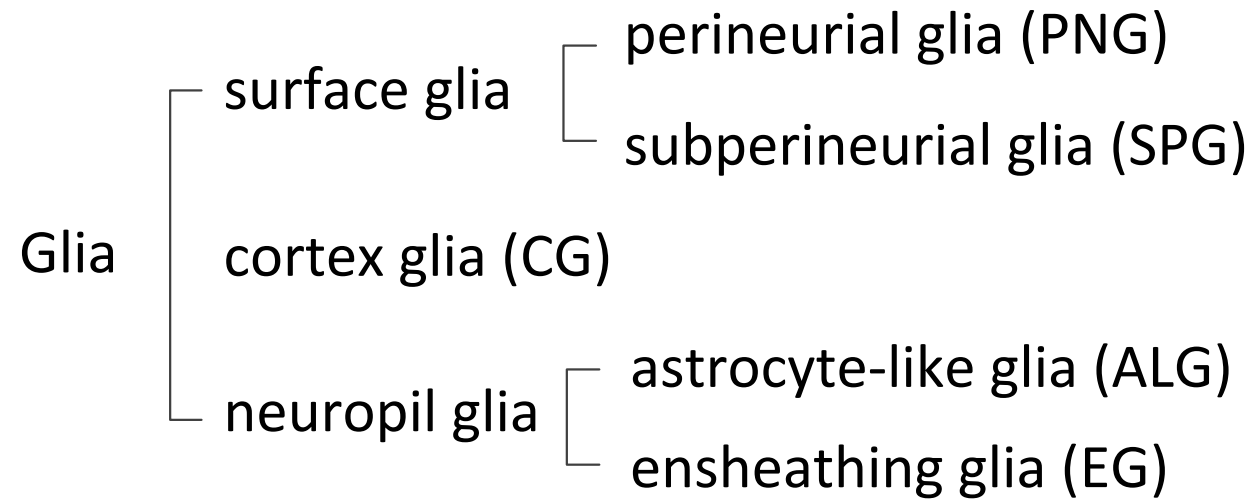


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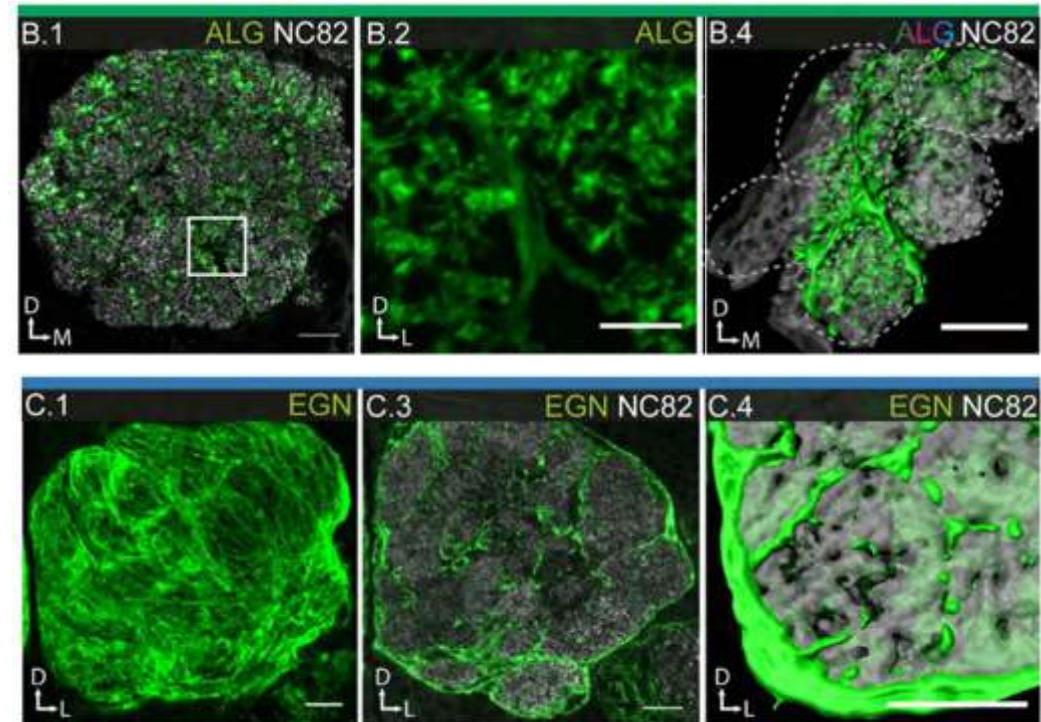
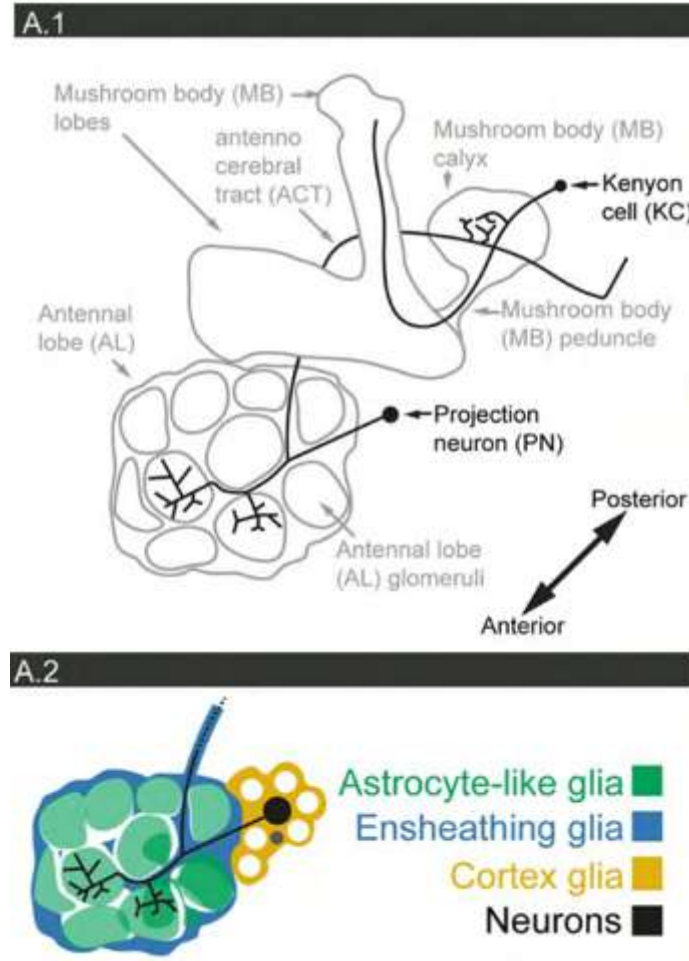
- Glia in *Drosophila*
- Glial cells regulate rhythmic behavior
- Glial cells regulate other behaviors

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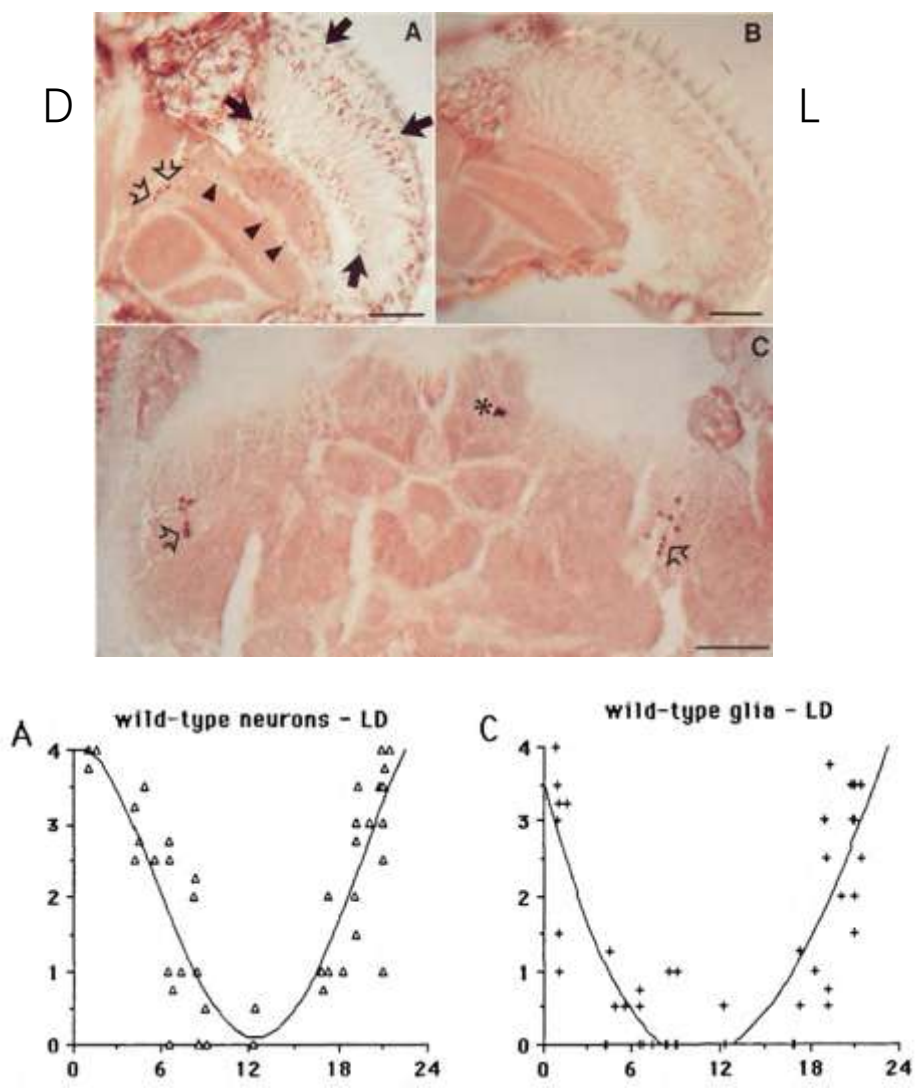
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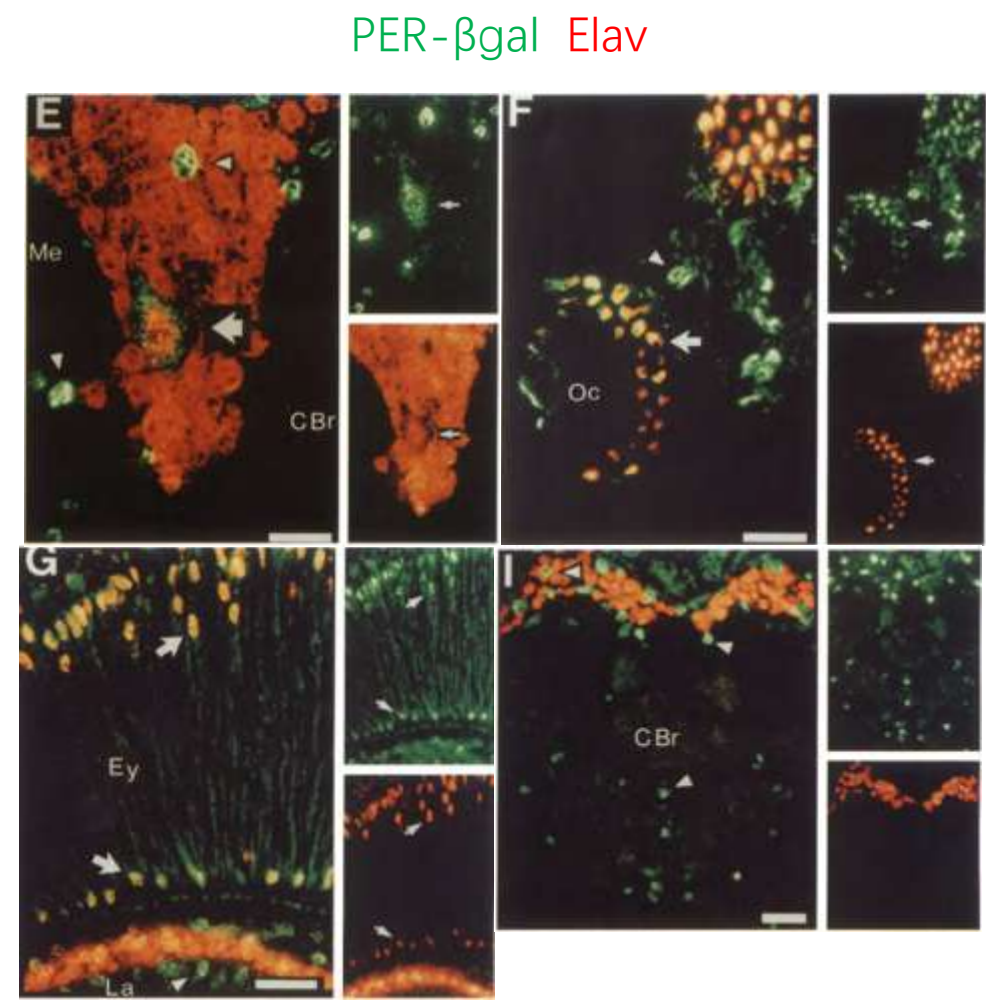
Glial cells regulate rhythmic behavior



# Expression of the period gene within different cell types



Zerr et al., 1990



J Ewer et al., 1992

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- Cell Type-Specific Expression Profiling of Clock Cells and Glia
- Brain Glial Cells and Behavior



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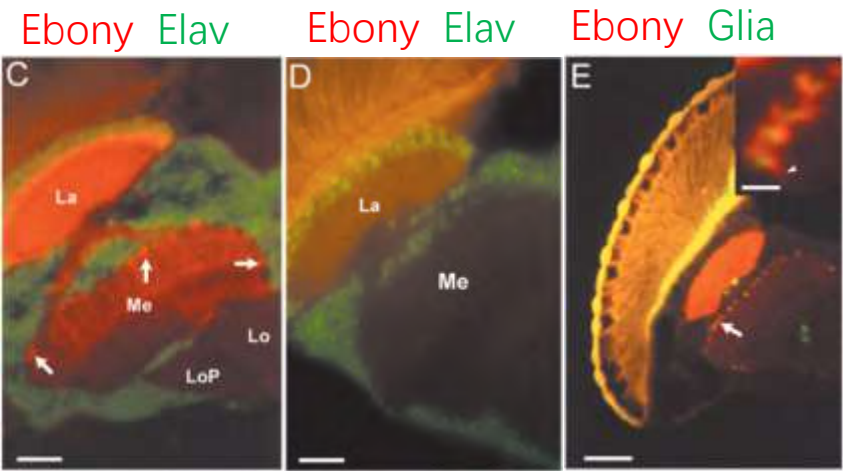
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### **Drosophila Ebony Activity is Required in Glia for the Circadian Regulation of Locomotor Activity**

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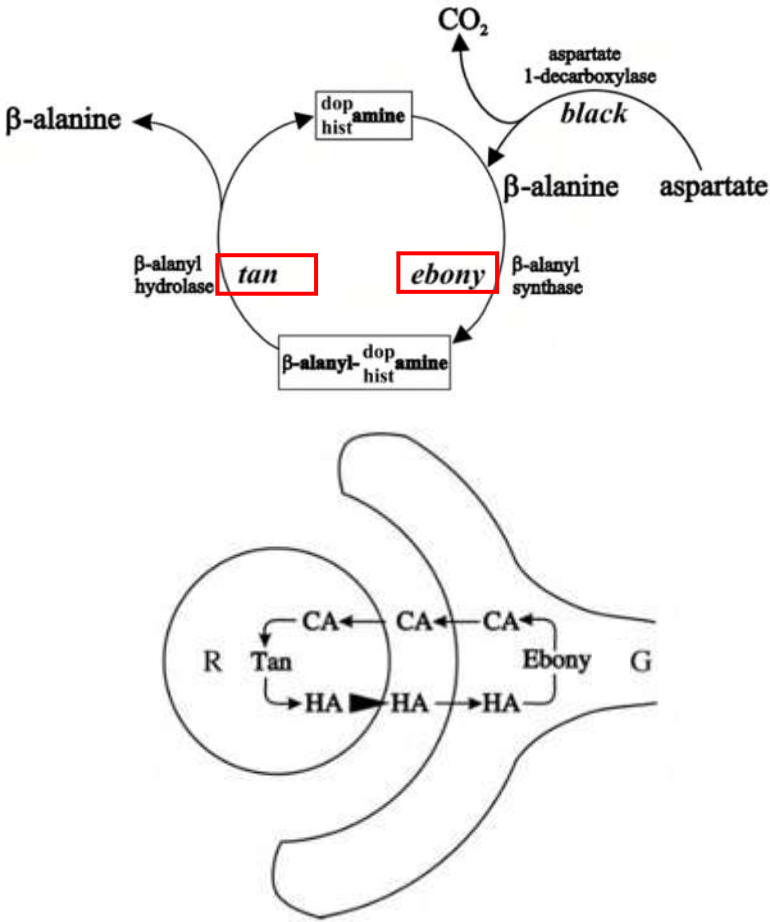
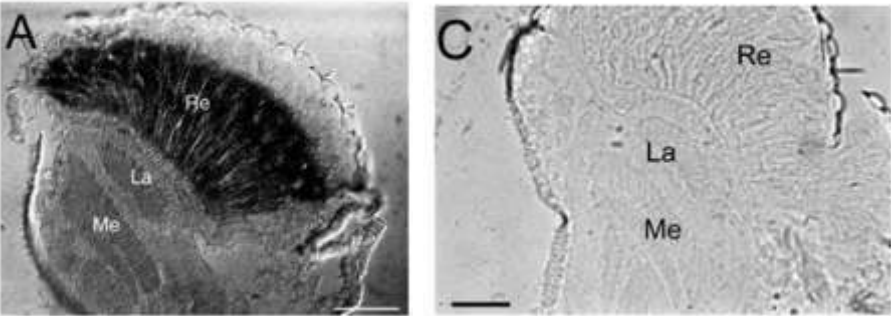
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# Ebony in glia may be involved in histamine circulation of photoreceptors



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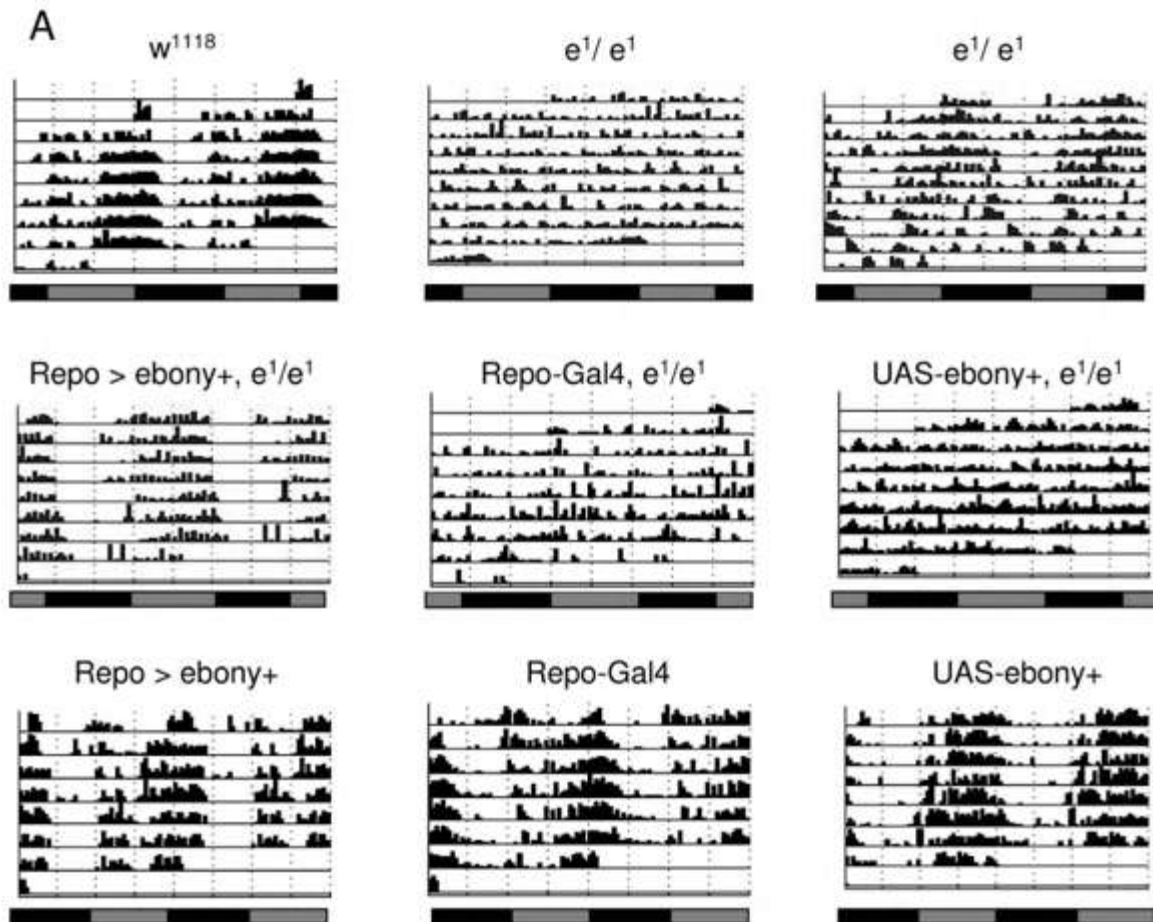
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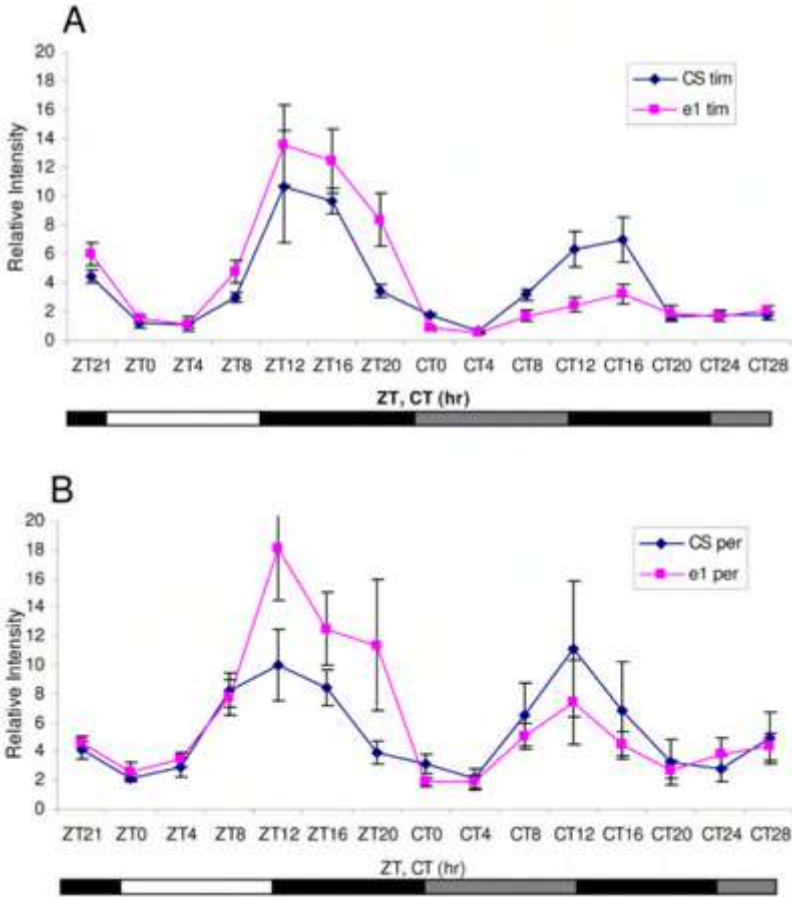
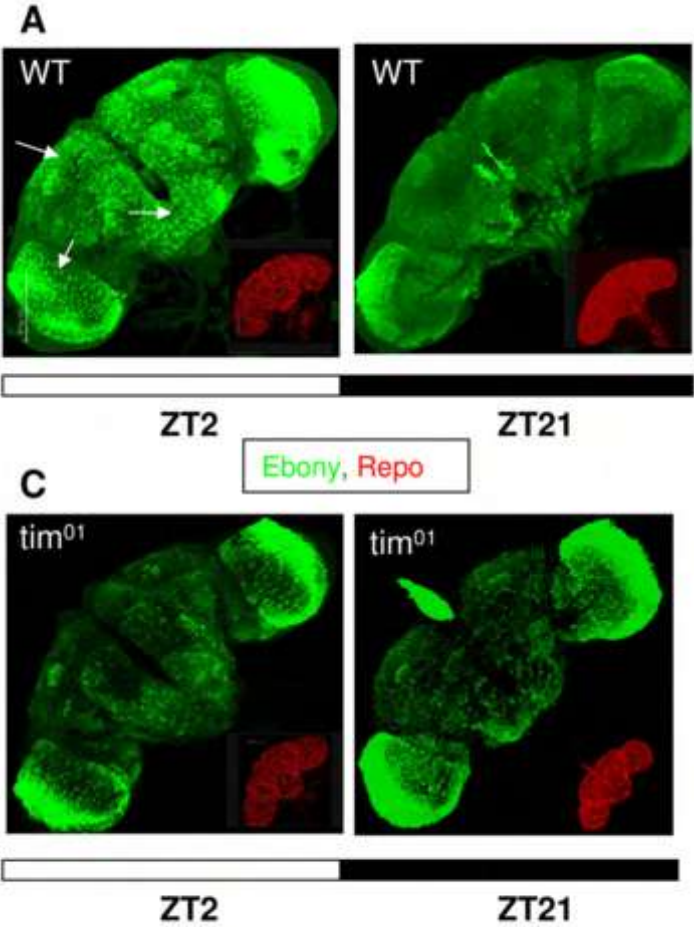
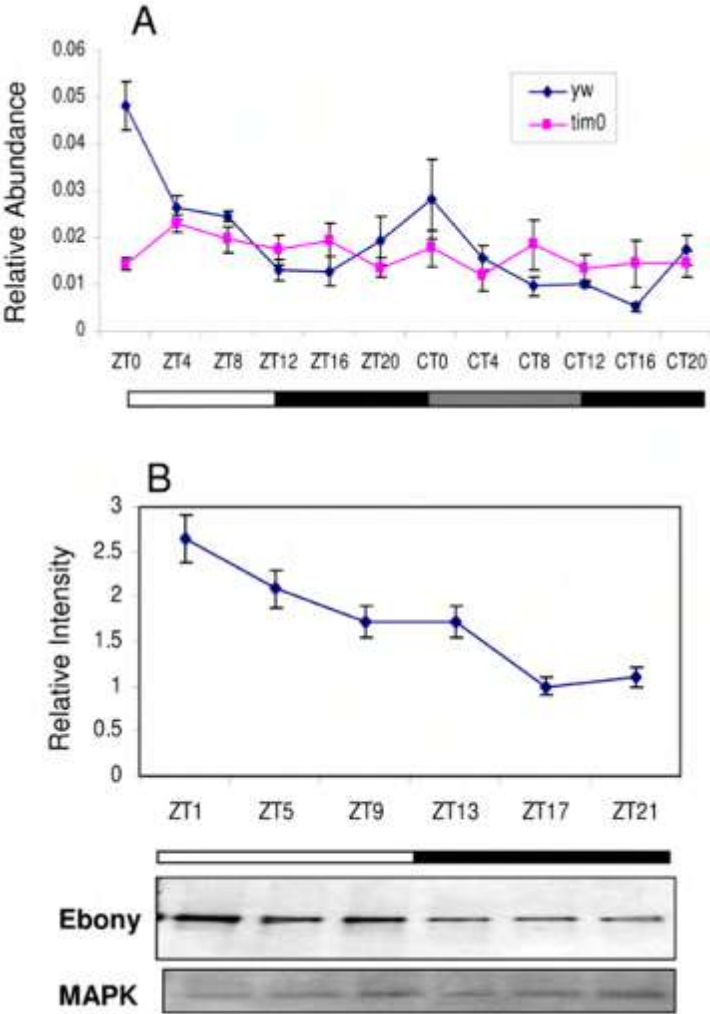


# Ebony in glia plays an important role in maintaining normal rhythm



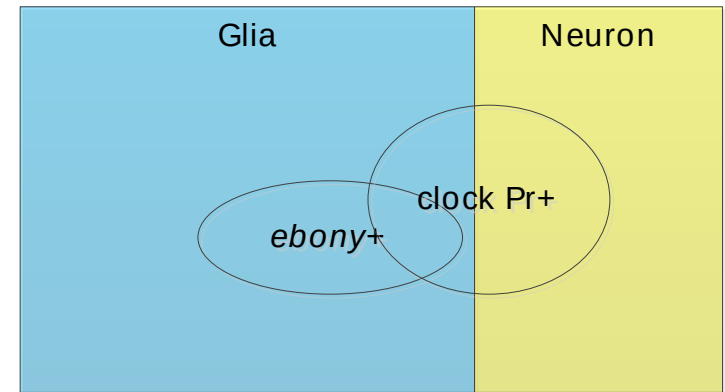
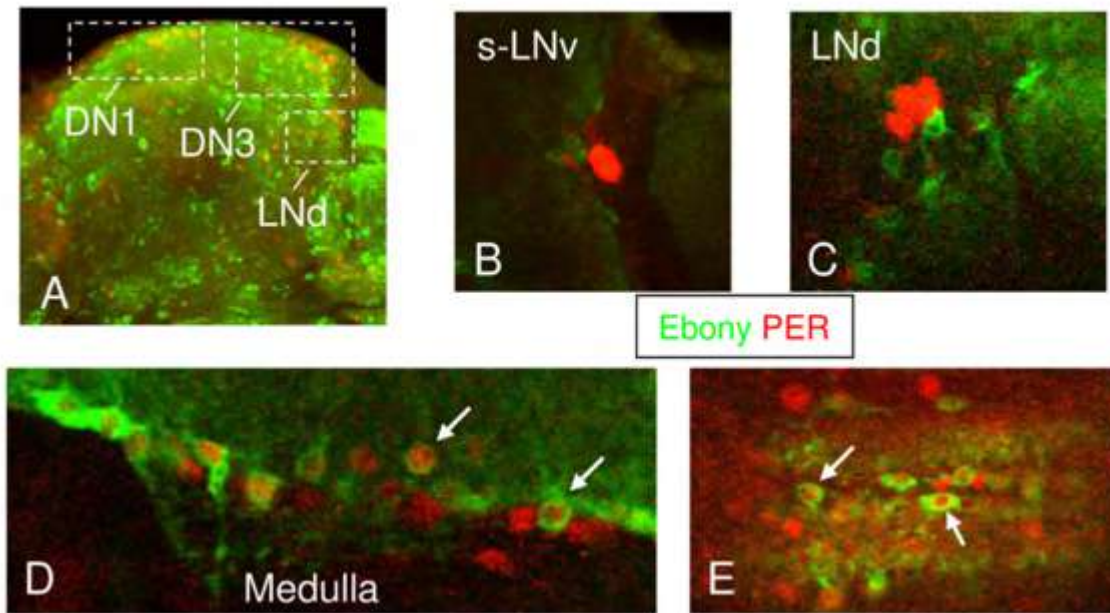
| Genotype                                                                        | Period* | Std. err. | % Rhythmicity | RI   | RI std. err. | n  |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|-----------|---------------|------|--------------|----|
| $w^{1118}$                                                                      | 24.1    | 0.1       | 96            | 0.57 | 0.02         | 80 |
| yw                                                                              | 23.8    | 0.2       | 88            | 0.53 | 0.03         | 41 |
| CS                                                                              | 23.8    | 0.06      | 92            | 0.42 | 0.08         | 22 |
| $\text{CS } e^1/+$                                                              | 23.3    | 0.11      | 90            | 0.49 | 0.04         | 27 |
| $\text{CS } e^1/e^1$                                                            | 23.9    | 0.07      | 35            | 0.27 | 0.03         | 26 |
| $e^1/e^1$                                                                       | 23.4    | 0.3       | 28            | 0.17 | 0.02         | 28 |
| $\text{yw } e^1/e^1$                                                            | 23.5    | 0.24      | 20            | 0.12 | 0.01         | 24 |
| <b>Rescue</b>                                                                   |         |           |               |      |              |    |
| $w^+; \text{repo-Gal4}, e^1/\text{UAS-}e^+, e^1$                                | 23.9    | 0.1       | 81            | 0.40 | 0.02         | 70 |
| $w^+; \text{repo-Gal4}, e^1/\text{TM6}, e^1$                                    | 24      | 0.2       | 23            | 0.22 | 0.03         | 22 |
| $w^{1118}; +; \text{repo-Gal4}, e^{\text{AFA}}/\text{UAS-}e^+, e^{\text{AFA}}$  | 24.1    | 0.04      | 95            | 0.46 | 0.03         | 23 |
| $w^{1118}; +; \text{UAS-}e^+, e^{\text{AFA}}/\text{TM6}, e^1$                   | 24.1    | 0.08      | 39            | 0.26 | 0.03         | 28 |
| $w^{1118}; \text{actin-Gal4}; +; e^{\text{AFA}}/\text{UAS-}e^+, e^{\text{AFA}}$ | 24.2    | 0.03      | 92            | 0.51 | 0.02         | 31 |
| $w^{1118}; \text{actin-Gal4}; +; e^{\text{AFA}}/e^{\text{AFA}}$                 | 24.3    | 0.05      | 33            | 0.25 | 0.03         | 27 |
| $\text{elav-Gal4}; y; +; \text{UAS-}e^+, e^1/e^1$                               | 23.7    | 0.01      | 59            | 0.42 | 0.03         | 32 |
| $\text{elav-Gal4}; y; +; \text{TM6}, e^1/e^1$                                   | 23.8    | 0.1       | 41            | 0.26 | 0.03         | 60 |

Ebony may under clock protein control

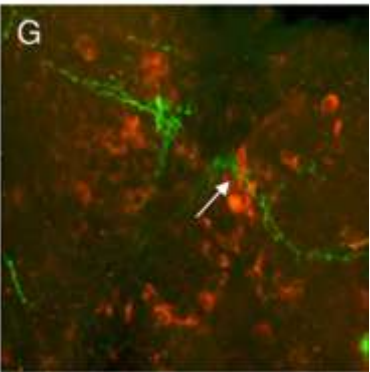
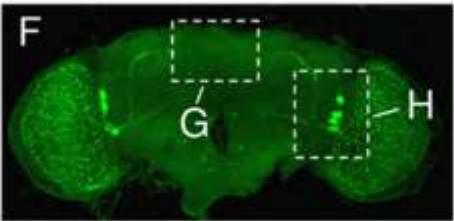




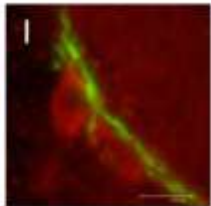
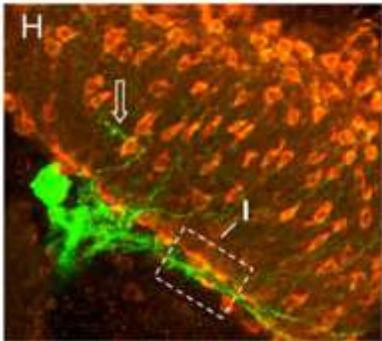
Not all ebony+ cells have clock protein expression



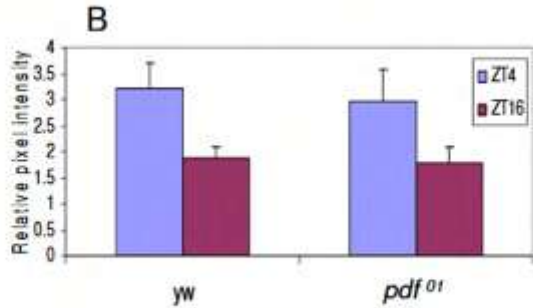
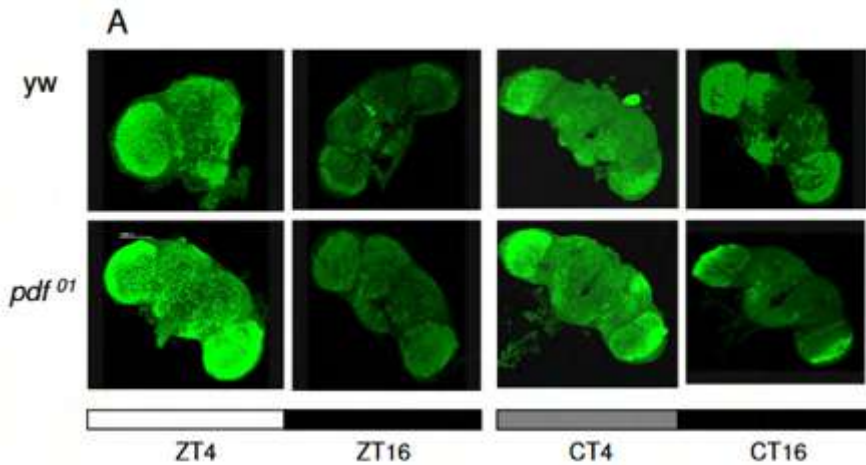
# Ebony regulates rhythm through PDF-independent pathway



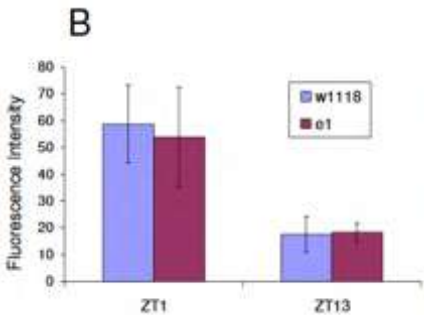
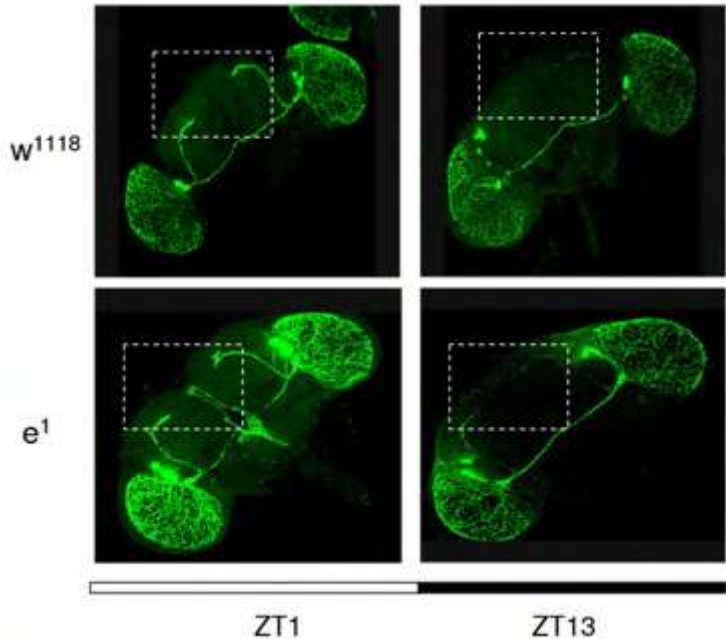
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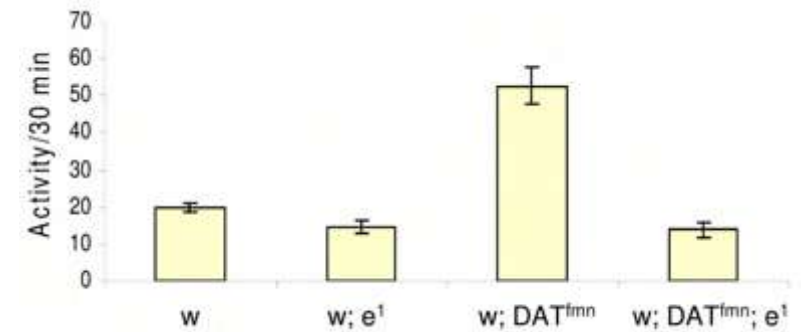
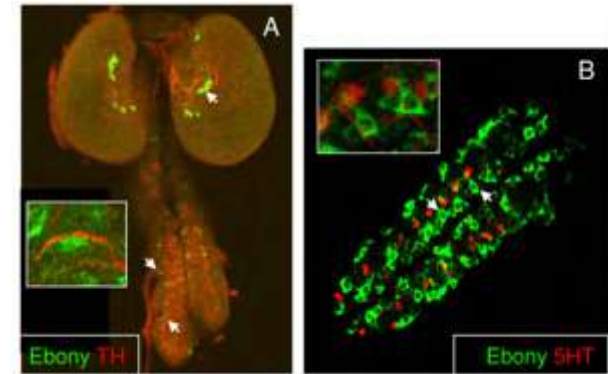
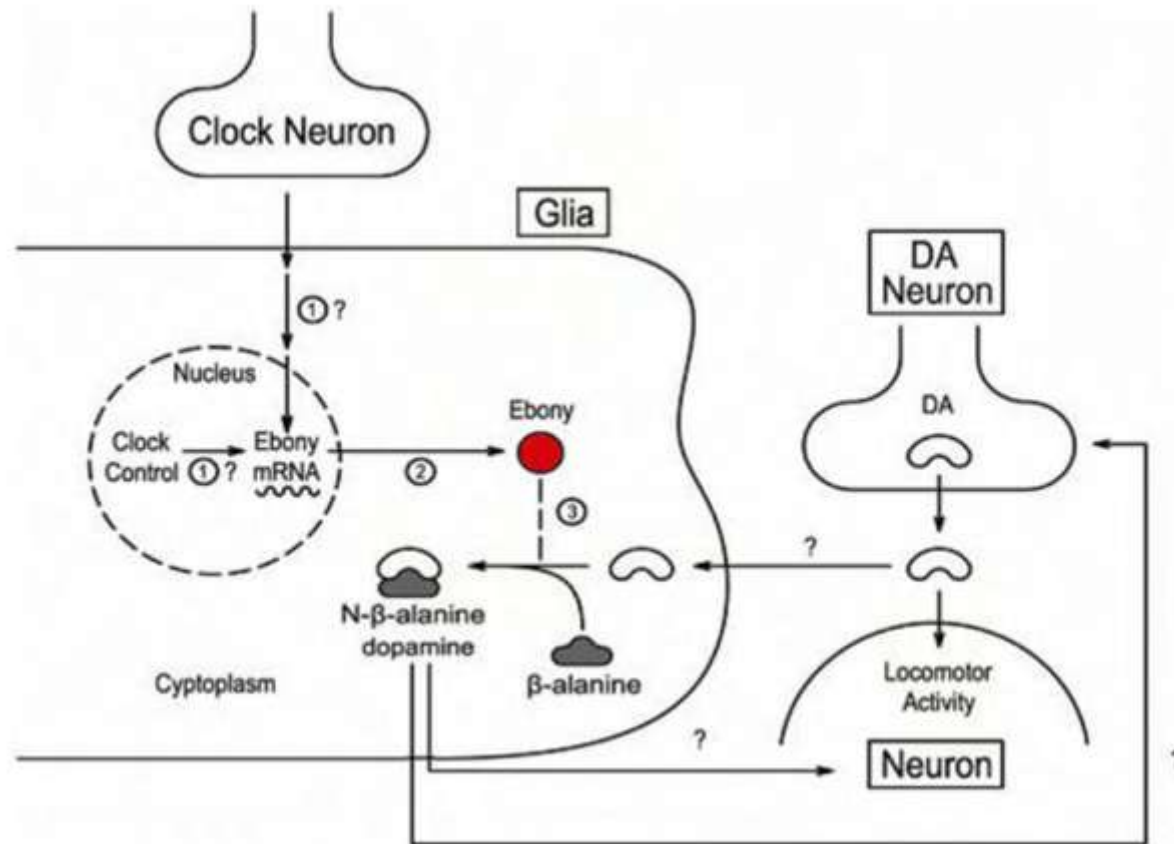
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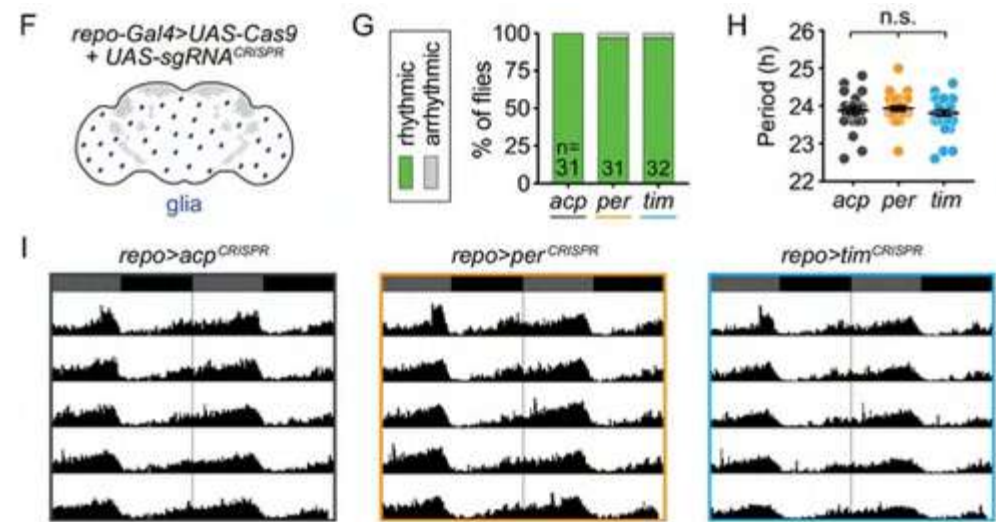
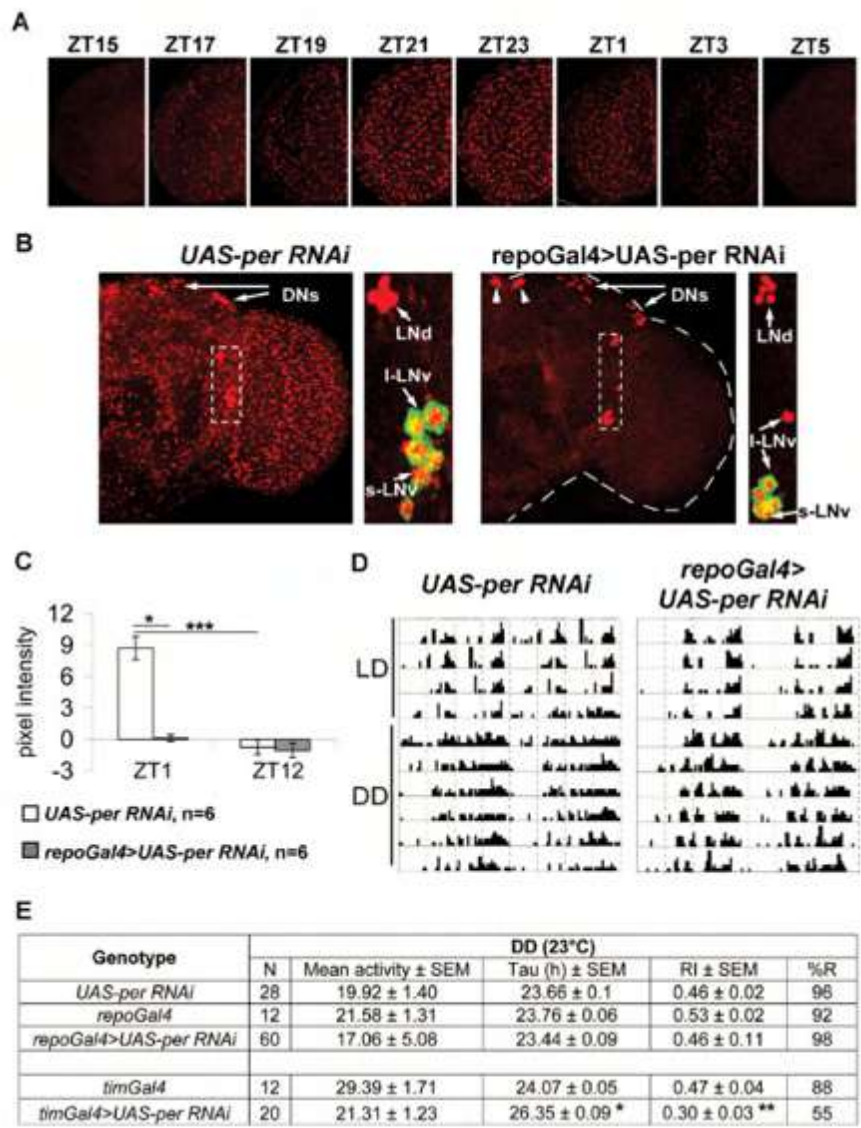
### **Glial cells physiologically modulate clock neurons and circadian behavior in a calcium-dependent manner**

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# Clock proteins in glia have no significant effect on rhythm

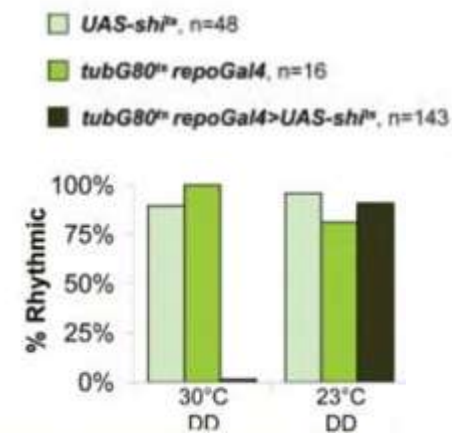


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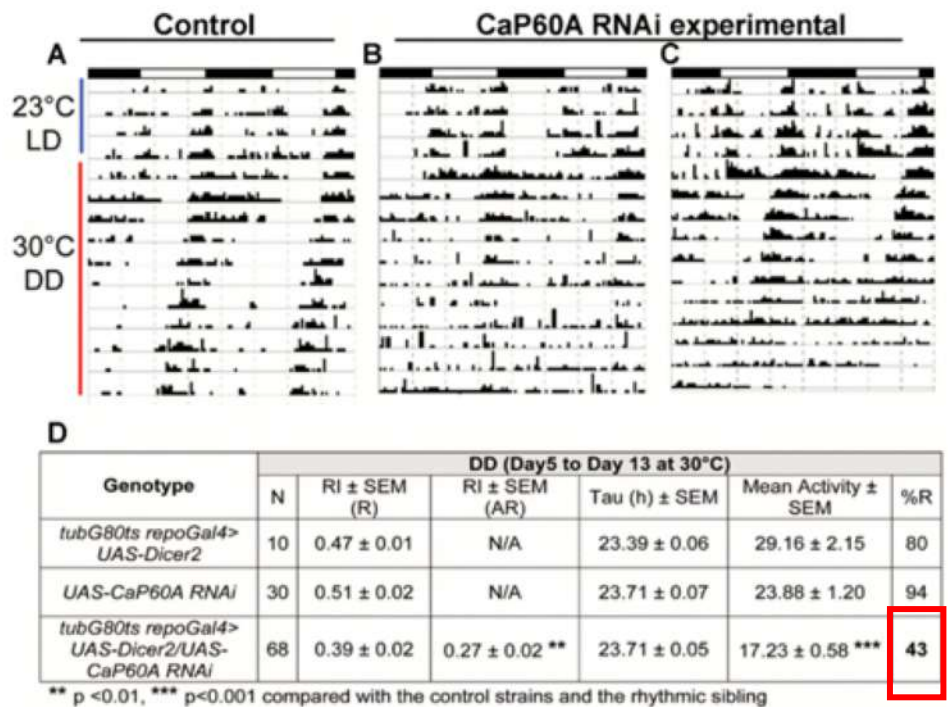
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# Glial cells may be involved in regulating neurotransmitter concentration



| Glial class driver | Genotype                                                                     | N  | % Rhythmic |
|--------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|------------|
| Perineurial        | Control- <i>NP6293</i>                                                       | 44 | 93         |
|                    | <i>NP6293</i> > <i>UAS-shi</i> <sup>ts</sup>                                 | 27 | 100        |
| Subperineurial     | Control- <i>tubG80</i> <sup>ts</sup> <i>NP2276</i>                           | 22 | 95         |
|                    | <i>tubG80</i> <sup>ts</sup> <i>NP2276</i> > <i>UAS-shi</i> <sup>ts</sup>     | 48 | 87         |
| Cortex             | Control- <i>NP577</i>                                                        | 45 | 96         |
|                    | <i>NP577</i> > <i>UAS-shi</i> <sup>ts</sup>                                  | 52 | 92         |
|                    | Control- <i>tubG80</i> <sup>ts</sup> <i>NP2222</i>                           | 18 | 89         |
|                    | <i>tubG80</i> <sup>ts</sup> <i>NP2222</i> > <i>UAS-shi</i> <sup>ts</sup>     | 44 | 85         |
| Ensheathing        | Control- <i>NP6520</i>                                                       | 28 | 100        |
|                    | <i>NP6520</i> > <i>UAS-shi</i> <sup>ts</sup>                                 | 62 | 84         |
|                    | Control- <i>tubG80</i> <sup>ts</sup> <i>MZ0709</i>                           | 22 | 100        |
|                    | <i>tubG80</i> <sup>ts</sup> <i>MZ0709</i> > <i>UAS-shi</i> <sup>ts</sup>     | 54 | 98         |
| Astrocyte          | Control- <i>tubG80</i> <sup>ts</sup> <i>alrm Gal4</i>                        | 10 | 100        |
|                    | <i>tubG80</i> <sup>ts</sup> <i>alrm Gal4</i> > <i>UAS-shi</i> <sup>ts</sup>  | 53 | 40         |
|                    | Control- <i>tubG80</i> <sup>ts</sup> <i>Eaat1 Gal4</i>                       | 19 | 95         |
|                    | <i>tubG80</i> <sup>ts</sup> <i>Eaat1 Gal4</i> > <i>UAS-shi</i> <sup>ts</sup> | 51 | 14         |

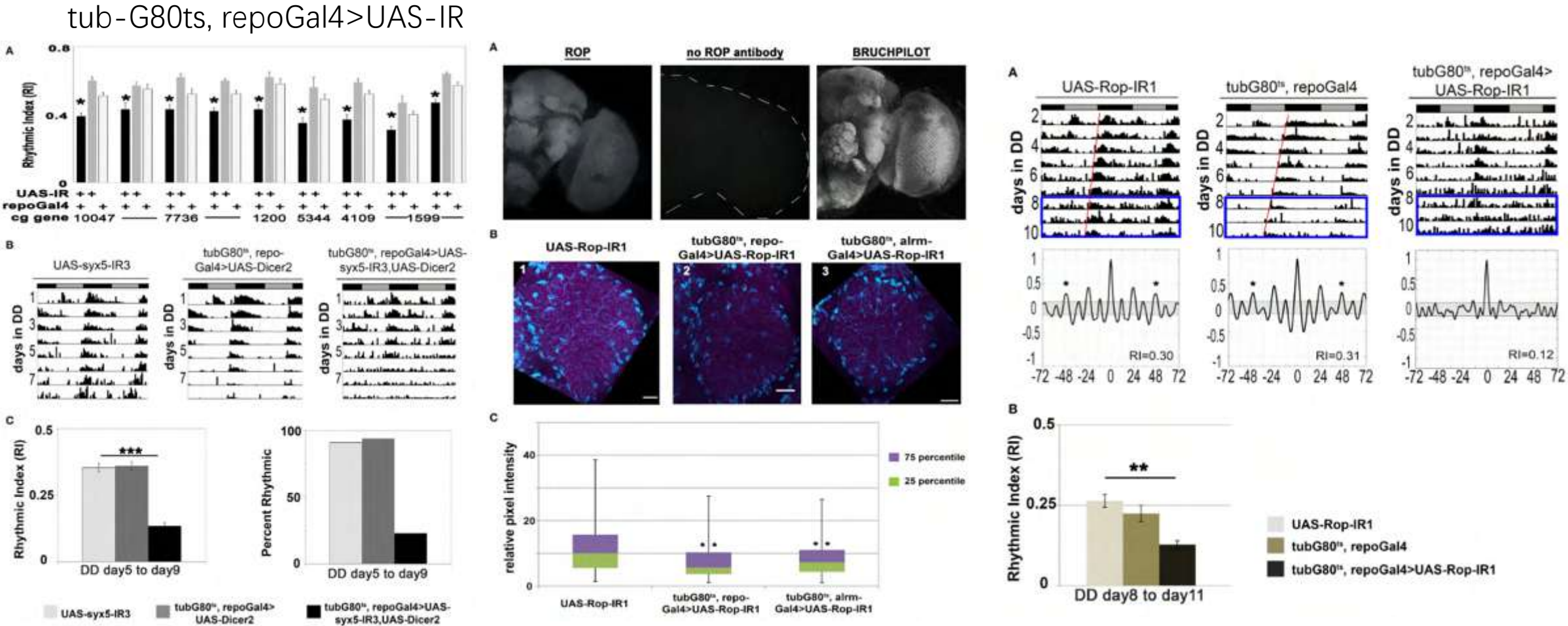


# The ROP vesicle release factor is required in adult *Drosophila* glia for normal circadian behavior

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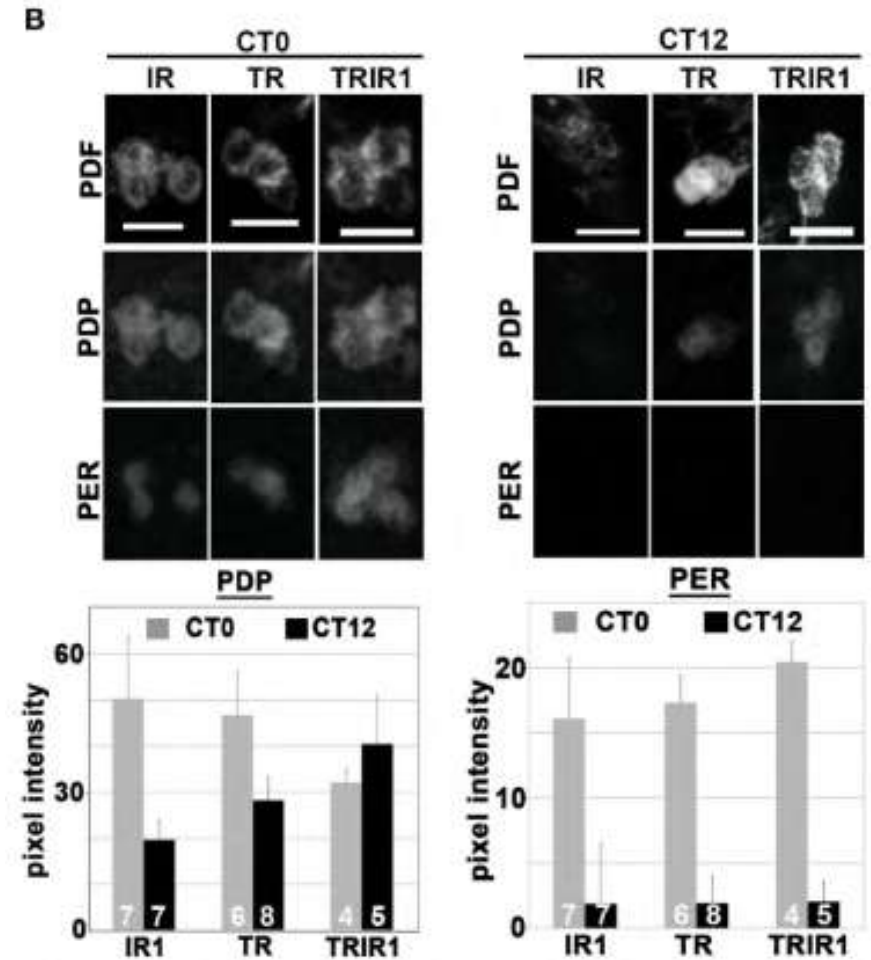
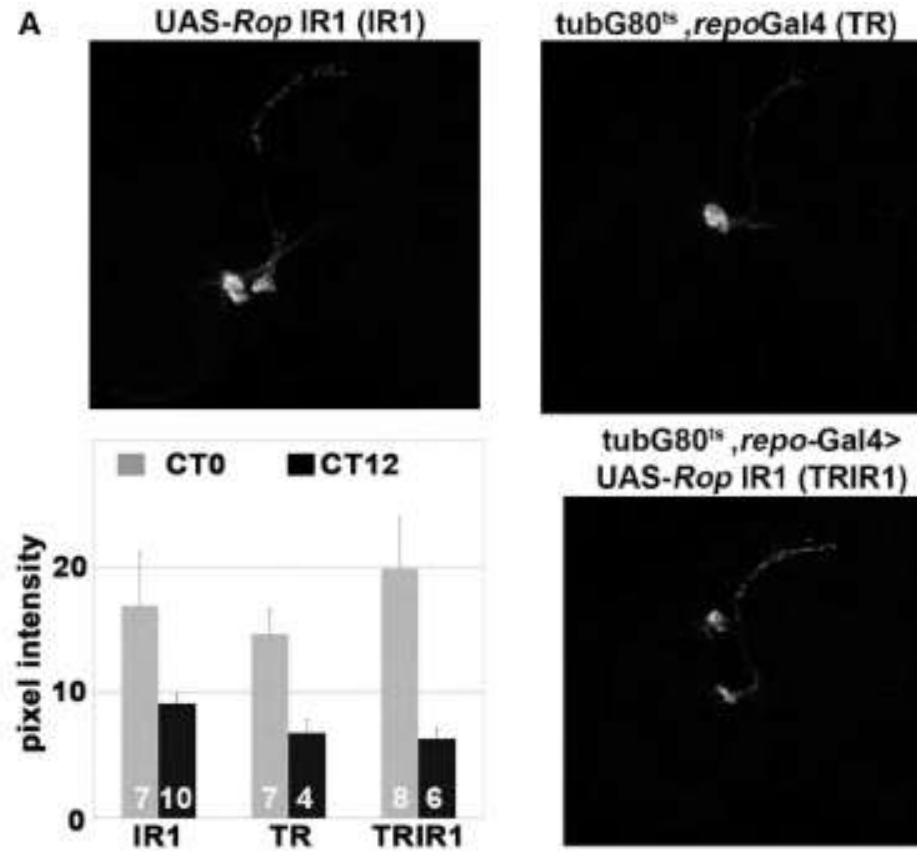
# Vesicle transport genes in glial cells that affect rhythm



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# Glia regulates rhythm may through PDF-independent pathway

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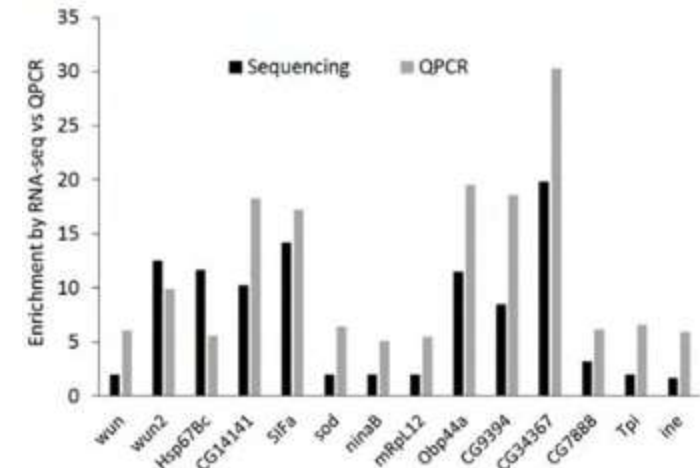
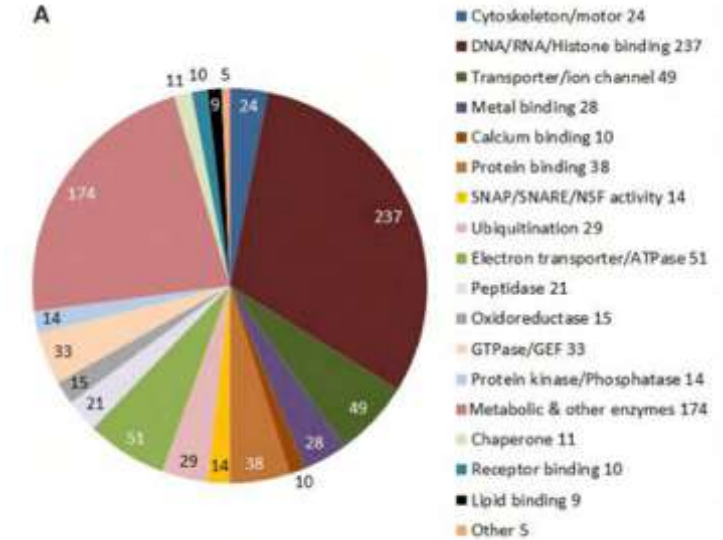
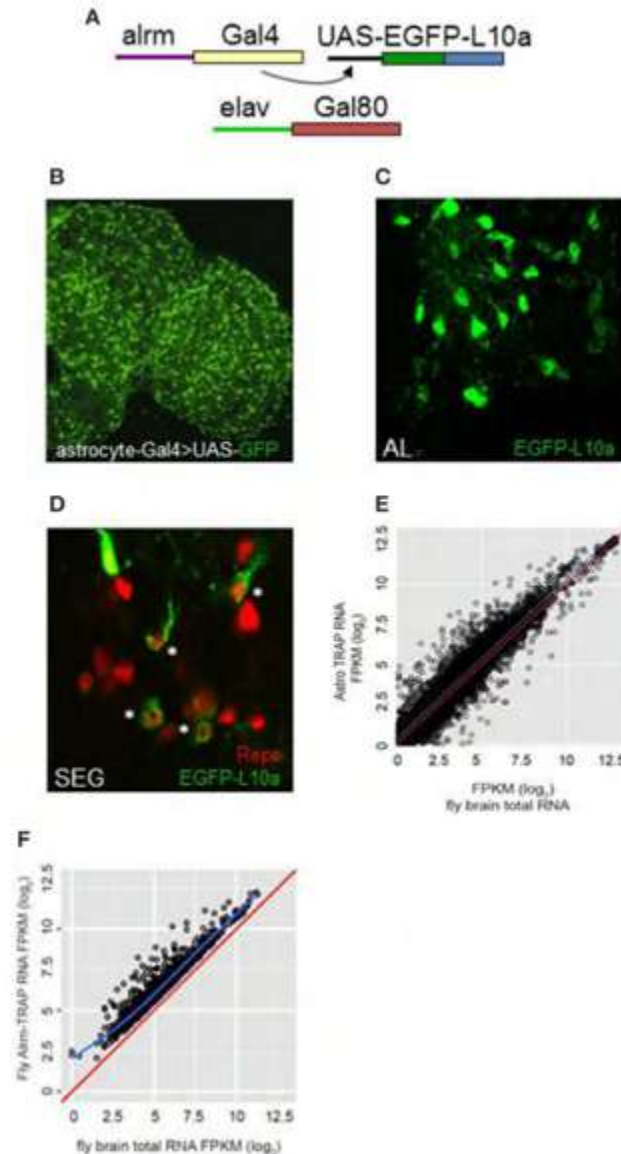
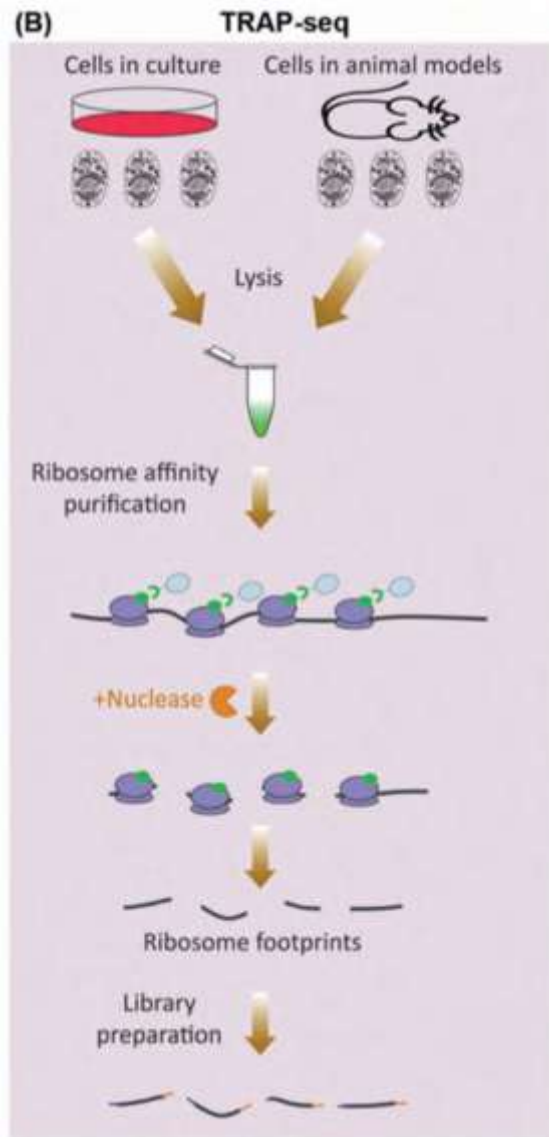
# TRAP-seq Profiling and RNAi-Based Genetic Screens Identify Conserved Glial Genes Required for Adult *Drosophila* Behavior

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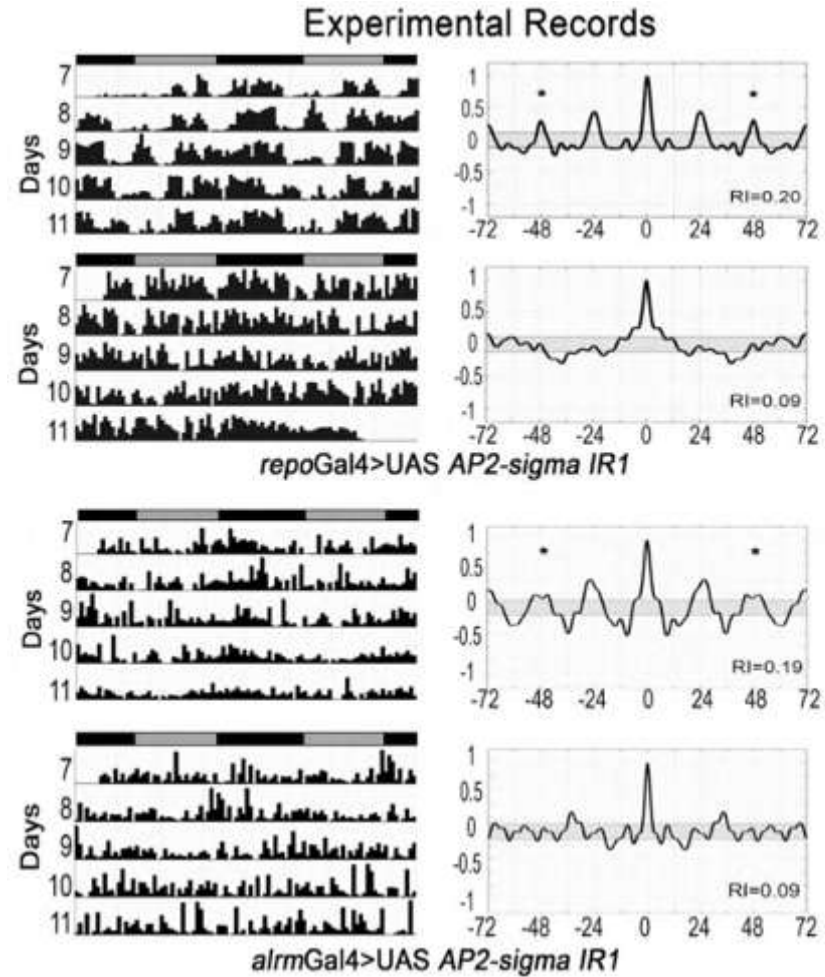
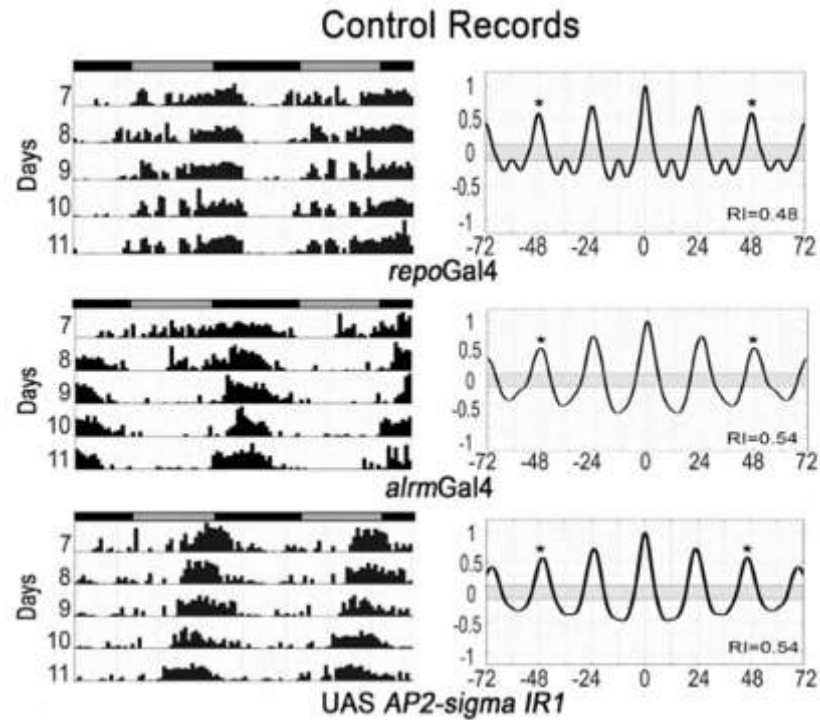


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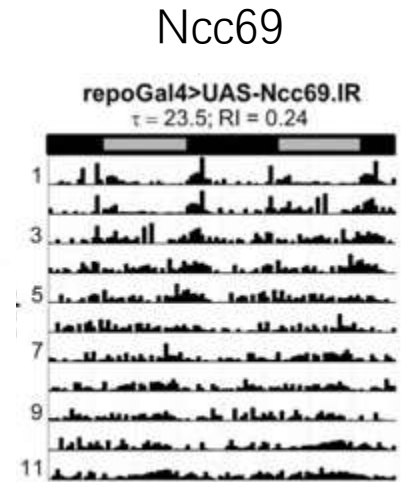
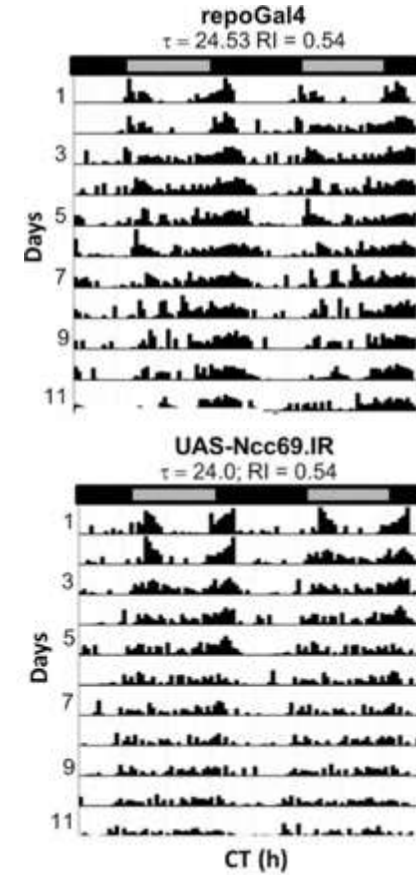
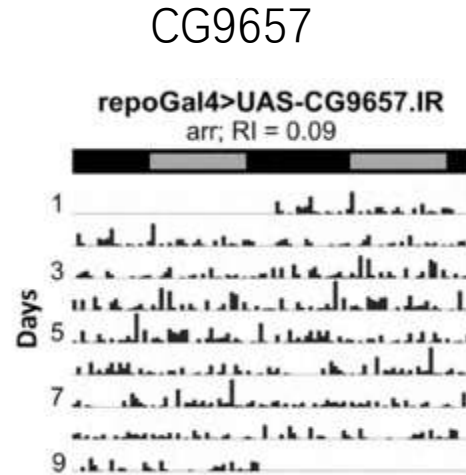
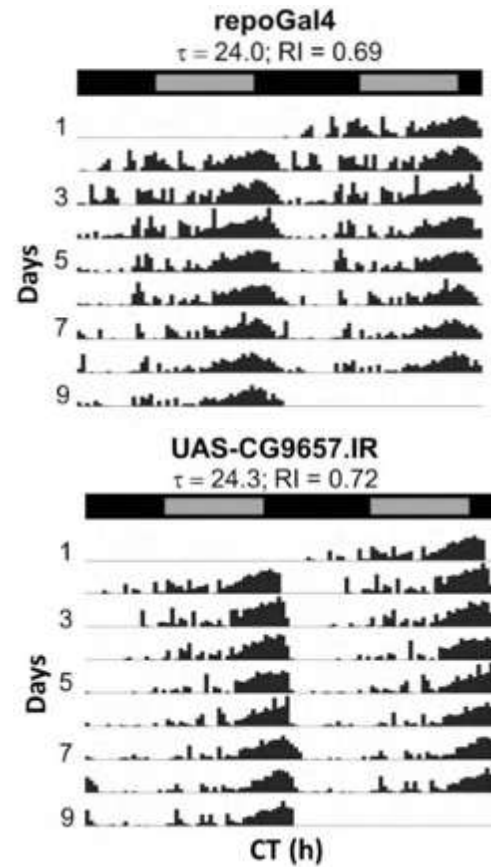
- **Factors Relevant for Secretion:** AP-2 $\sigma$ ; Spase25, Tsp, CG1552, CG14141, and CG1537
- **Potential Metabolic Support Proteins:** Treh, Npc2g, CG9657
- **Glial Transporters:** CG9657 and nrv2, Ncc69

# Factors Relevant for Secretion

AP2- $\sigma$



# Potential metabolic support proteins and glial transporters



# Regulation of Circadian Behavior by Astroglial MicroRNAs in *Drosophila*

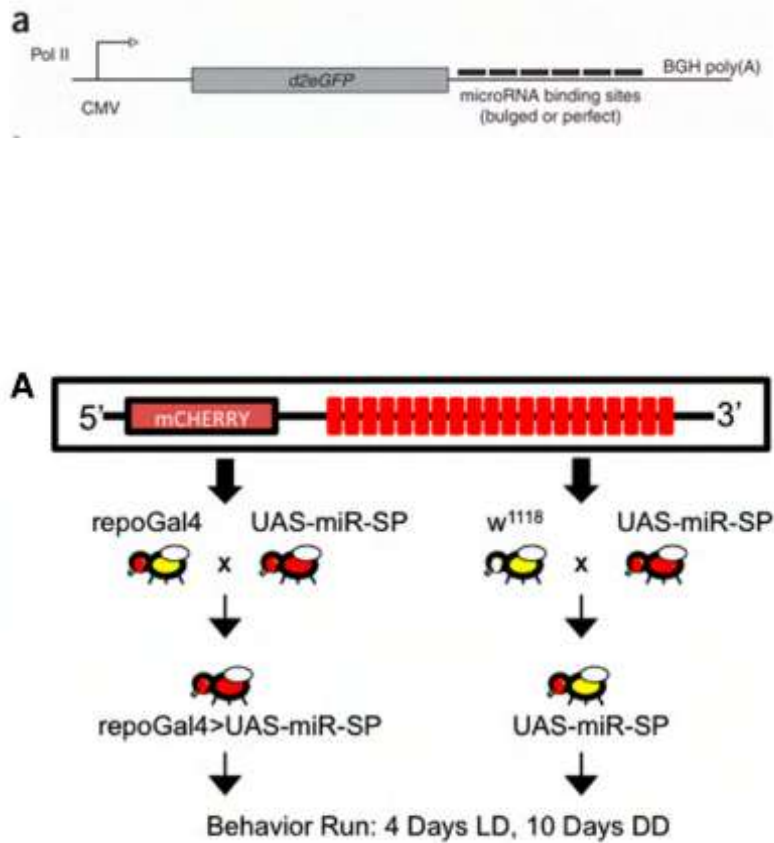
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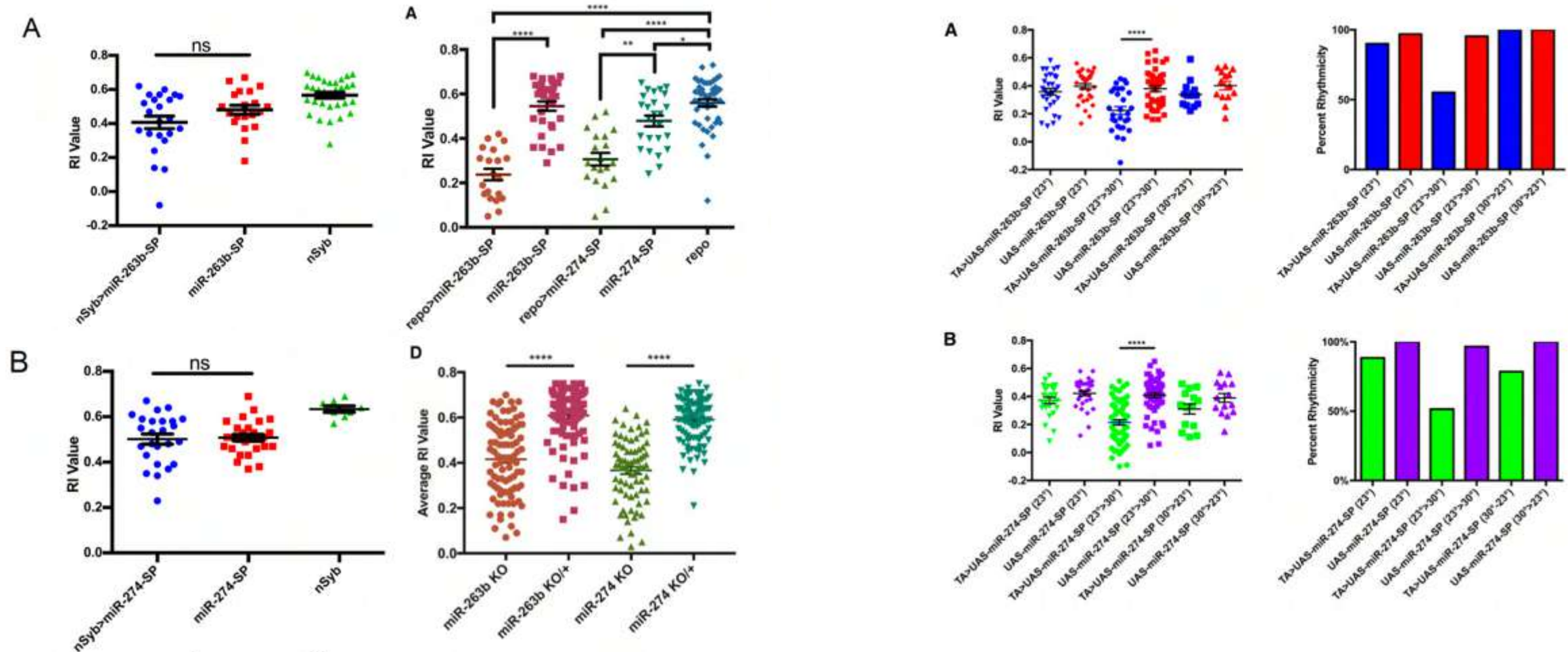
# miRNA affecting rhythm in glia



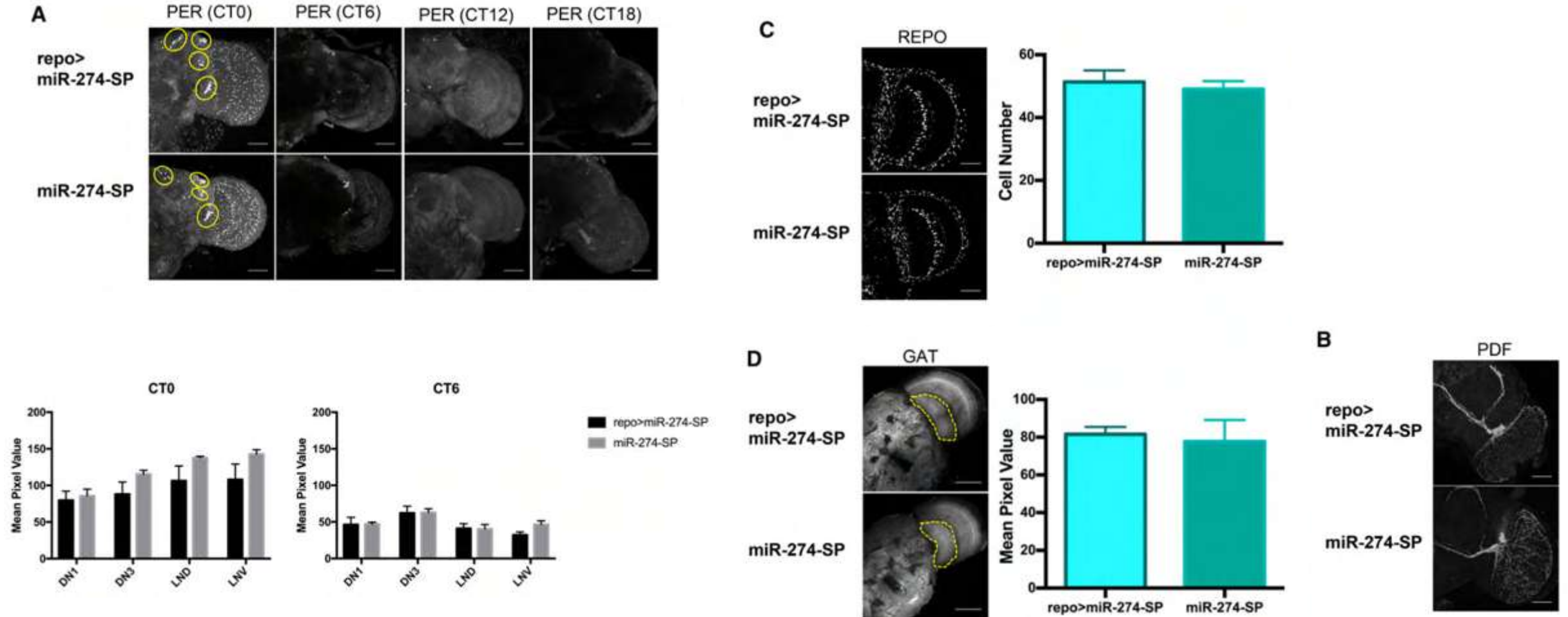
| Genotype              | Experimental    |    | Percent rhythmic | Control         |    | Percent rhythmic | P value |
|-----------------------|-----------------|----|------------------|-----------------|----|------------------|---------|
|                       | RI $\pm$ SEM    | n  |                  | RI $\pm$ SEM    | n  |                  |         |
| miR-79-SP             | 0.25 $\pm$ 0.03 | 18 | 50.00            | 0.47 $\pm$ 0.04 | 20 | 80.00            | <0.0001 |
| miR-79-SP (2)         | 0.25 $\pm$ 0.02 | 16 | 50.00            | 0.44 $\pm$ 0.03 | 26 | 84.62            | 0.0002  |
| miR-210-SP            | 0.28 $\pm$ 0.02 | 25 | 44.00            | 0.51 $\pm$ 0.02 | 32 | 90.63            | <0.0001 |
| miR-263b-SP           | 0.24 $\pm$ 0.03 | 20 | 60.00            | 0.55 $\pm$ 0.02 | 31 | 96.77            | <0.0001 |
| miR-274-SP            | 0.31 $\pm$ 0.03 | 20 | 65.00            | 0.48 $\pm$ 0.02 | 25 | 96.00            | <0.0001 |
| miR-281-1-SP          | 0.30 $\pm$ 0.03 | 23 | 60.87            | 0.53 $\pm$ 0.03 | 30 | 96.67            | <0.0001 |
| miR-285-SP            | 0.32 $\pm$ 0.02 | 21 | 52.38            | 0.49 $\pm$ 0.03 | 27 | 92.59            | <0.0001 |
| miR-304-SP            | 0.28 $\pm$ 0.02 | 31 | 51.61            | 0.50 $\pm$ 0.02 | 30 | 96.67            | <0.0001 |
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| miR-981-SP            | 0.32 $\pm$ 0.02 | 41 | 67.39            | 0.50 $\pm$ 0.02 | 41 | 95.65            | <0.0001 |
| miR-990-SP            | 0.28 $\pm$ 0.04 | 13 | 60.00            | 0.47 $\pm$ 0.02 | 29 | 92.50            | <0.0001 |
| miR-992-SP            | 0.34 $\pm$ 0.02 | 67 | 67.16            | 0.52 $\pm$ 0.01 | 75 | 96.00            | <0.0001 |
| miR-994-SP            | 0.24 $\pm$ 0.02 | 28 | 32.14            | 0.45 $\pm$ 0.02 | 30 | 100.00           | <0.0001 |
| miR-iab-4-3p-SP       | 0.31 $\pm$ 0.03 | 26 | 65.38            | 0.45 $\pm$ 0.02 | 30 | 96.67            | 0.0002  |
| miR-33-SP             | 0.39 $\pm$ 0.04 | 14 | 92.86            | 0.40 $\pm$ 0.03 | 13 | 92.31            | NS      |
| miR-315-SP            | 0.49 $\pm$ 0.03 | 14 | 100.00           | 0.52 $\pm$ 0.02 | 16 | 100.00           | NS      |
| Scramble-SP           | 0.49 $\pm$ 0.02 | 45 | 97.78            | 0.54 $\pm$ 0.02 | 32 | 100.00           | 0.0009  |
| repoGal4 <sup>a</sup> |                 |    |                  | 0.52 $\pm$ 0.03 | 14 | 100.00           | NA      |

# miR-263b and miR-274 are necessary and sufficient for the rhythm in glia

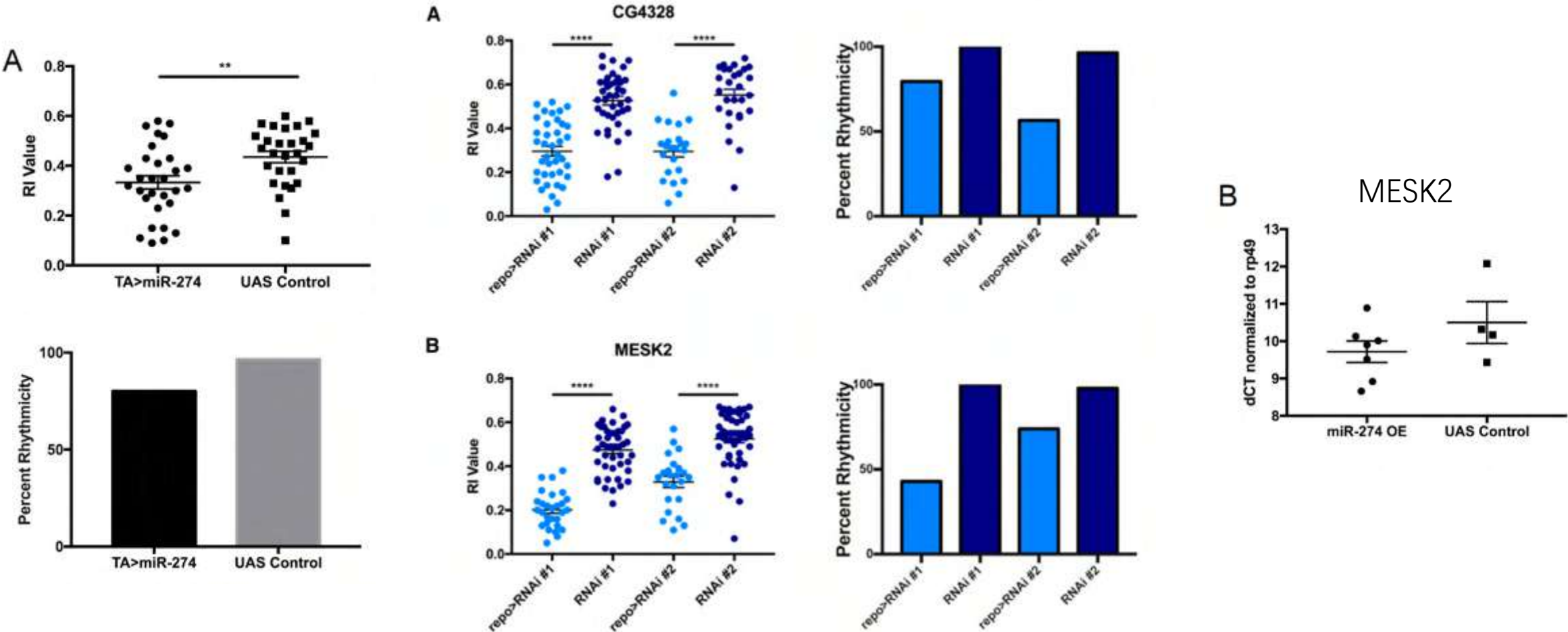
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# miR-274 does not affect the size of glial cells



# Potential target genes of miR-274



## Summary

- Glial rhythm is regulated by clock neurons.
- Glial cells may transport and recover synaptic neurotransmitters through vesicle transport.
- Glial regulatory rhythm may not depend on PDF.
- Some diseases may cause abnormal behavior by affecting the function of glial cells.



Glial cells regulate other behaviors  
(chemotaxis, startle responses)

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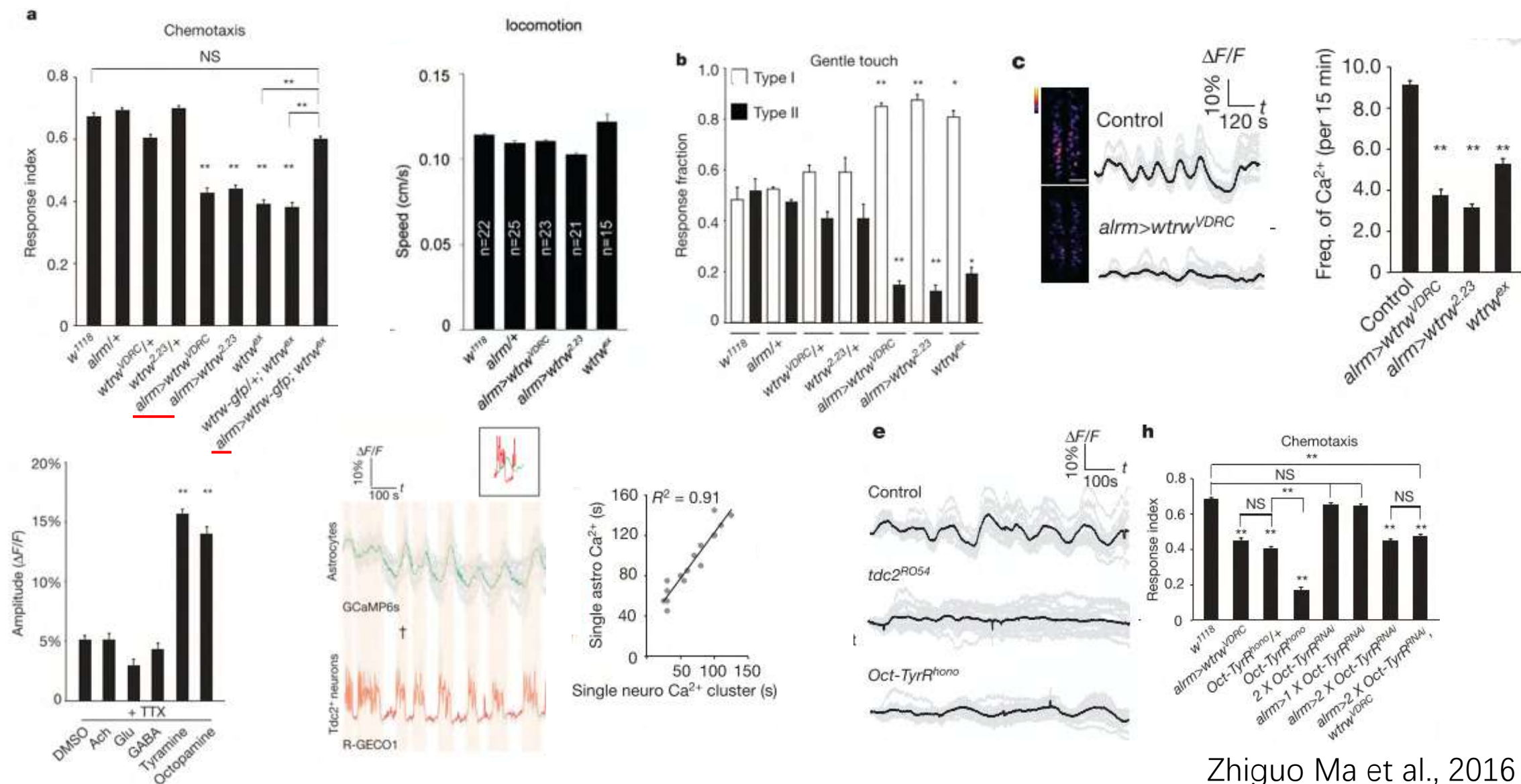
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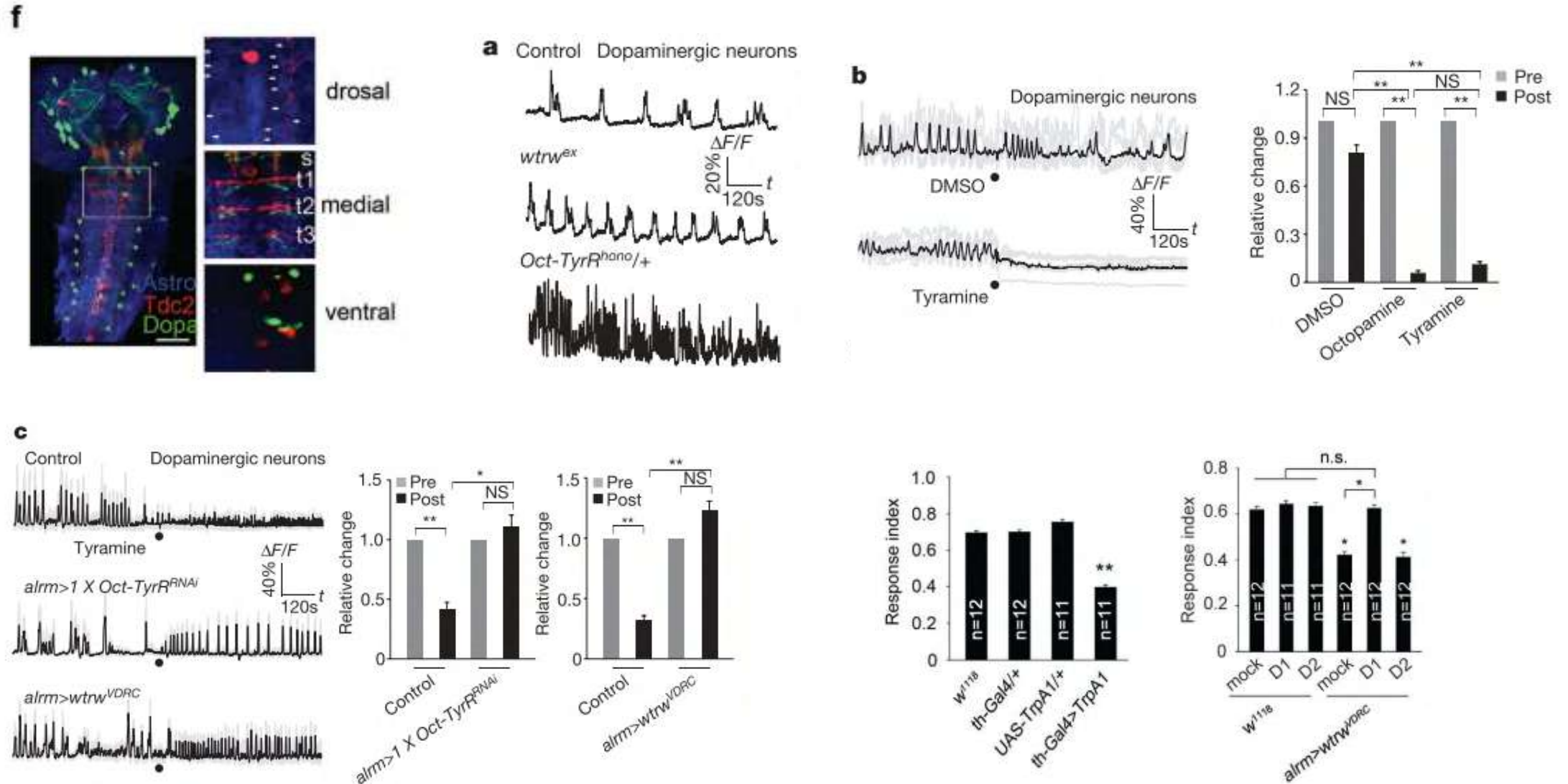
## **Neuromodulators signal through astrocytes to alter neural circuit activity and behaviour**

Zhiguo Ma<sup>1</sup>, Tobias Stork<sup>1</sup>, Dwight E. Bergles<sup>2</sup> & Marc R. Freeman<sup>1†</sup>

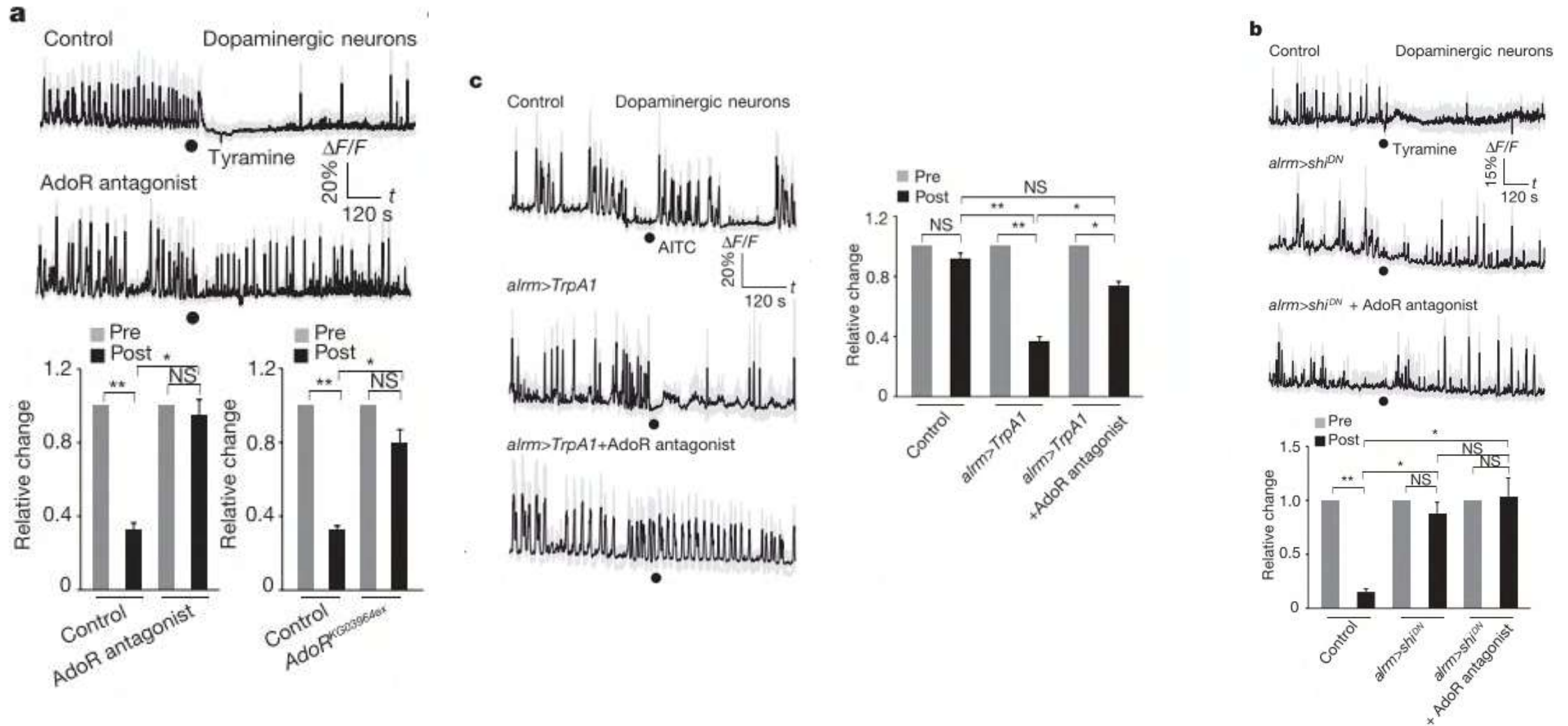
# Tdc2+ neuron activation causes calcium-wave in astrocytes



# Tyr/Oct signals through astrocyte to inhibit dopaminergic neuron activity

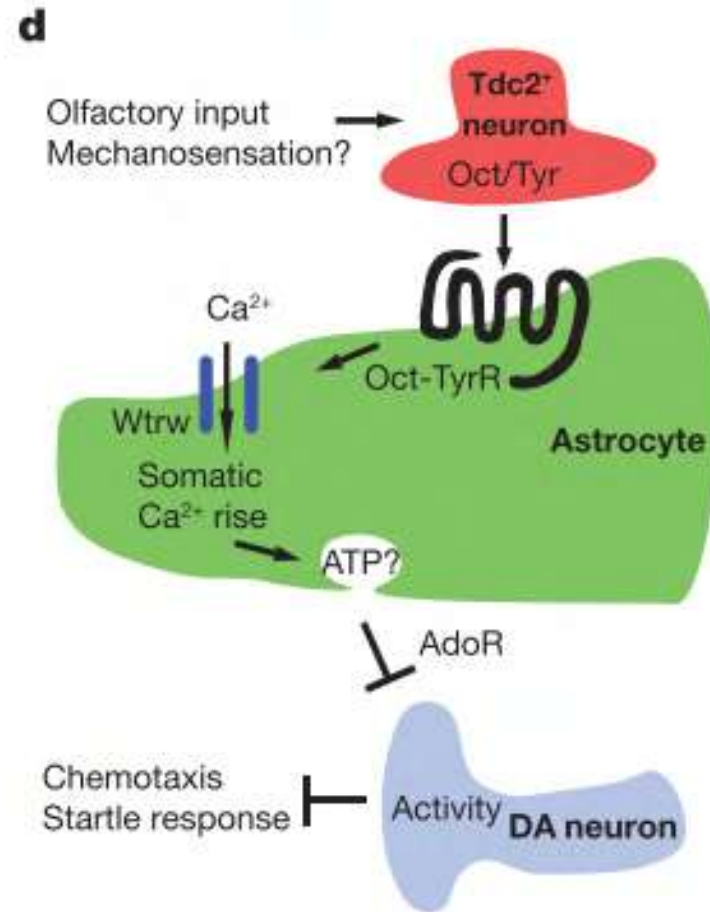


# Astrocytes regulate dopaminergic neurons activation through purinergic signals





# Summary



## Take home message

- Glial cells are involved in tripartite synapses.
- Astrocytes may be excitable.
- Difficulties in studying the role of glia in neural circuits

Thanks