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β -Amyloid disruption of LTP/LTD balance is mediated by AKAP150-anchored PKA and Calcineurin regulation of Ca²⁺-permeable AMPA receptors

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SUMMARY

Regulated insertion and removal of postsynaptic AMPA glutamate receptors (AMPA receptors) mediates hippocampal long-term potentiation (LTP) and long-term depression (LTD) synaptic plasticity underlying learning and memory. In Alzheimer's disease β -amyloid ($A\beta$) oligomers may impair learning and memory by altering AMPAR trafficking and LTP/LTD balance. Importantly, Ca²⁺-permeable AMPARs (CP-AMPA receptors) assembled from GluA1 subunits are excluded from hippocampal synapses basally but can be recruited rapidly during LTP and LTD to modify synaptic strength and signaling. By employing mouse knockin mutations that disrupt anchoring of the kinase PKA or phosphatase Calcineurin (CaN) to the postsynaptic scaffold protein AKAP150, we find that local AKAP-PKA signaling is required for CP-AMPA receptor recruitment, which can facilitate LTP but also, paradoxically, prime synapses for $A\beta$ impairment of LTP mediated by local AKAP-CaN LTD signaling that promotes subsequent CP-AMPA receptor removal. These findings highlight the importance of PKA/CaN signaling balance and CP-AMPA receptors in normal plasticity and aberrant plasticity linked to disease.

Graphical Abstract

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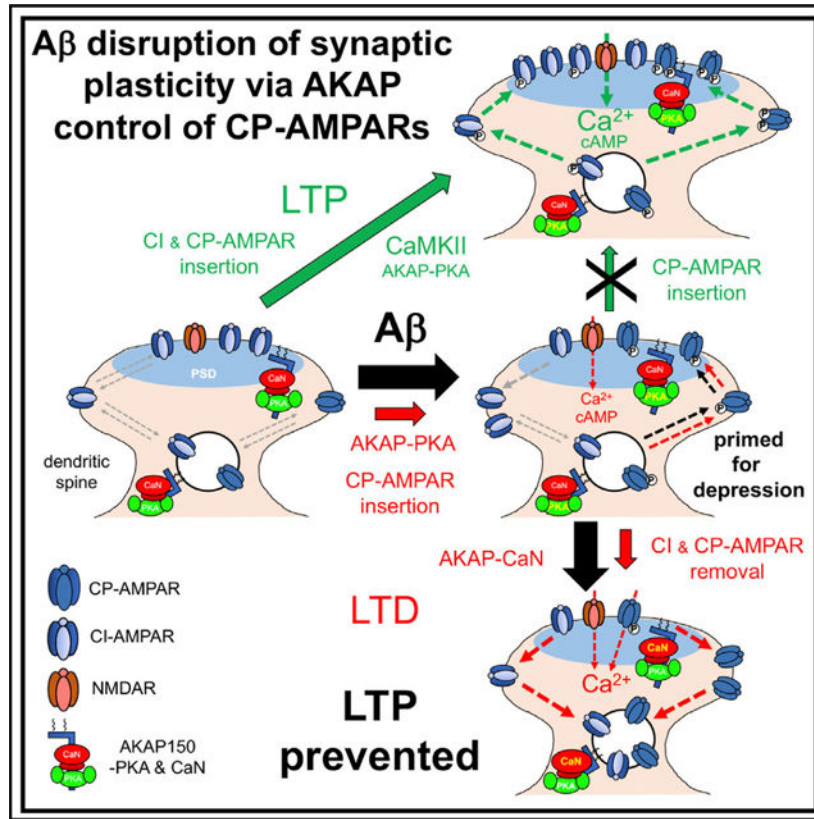
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In brief

In Alzheimer's disease, A β oligomers disrupt hippocampal neuronal plasticity and cognition. Sanderson et al. show how the postsynaptic scaffold protein AKAP150 coordinates PKA and Calcineurin regulation of Ca²⁺-permeable AMPA-type glutamate receptors to mediate disruption of synaptic plasticity by A β oligomers.

INTRODUCTION

Learning and memory require synaptic plasticity mediated by NMDA (NMDARs) and AMPA glutamate receptors (AMPA) that includes long-term potentiation (LTP)/long-term depression (LTD) (Collingridge et al., 2010; Diering and Huganir, 2018; Huganir and Nicoll, 2013), which rapidly increase/decrease synaptic strength in response to acute stimulation, respectively, and homeostatic plasticity, which gradually adjusts synaptic strength in response to chronic activity changes (Chen et al., 2014; Lee et al., 2013; Turrigiano, 2012). LTP/LTD and homeostatic plasticity are expressed through changes in AMPAR localization and function, and alterations in these mechanisms are implicated in nervous system disorders, including Alzheimer's disease, schizophrenia, Down syndrome, and autism.

AMPA receptors are tetrameric assemblies of the GluA1–GluA4 subunits forming glutamate-gated channels that are permeable to Na⁺, K⁺, and sometimes Ca²⁺ (Traynelis et al., 2010). Because of post-transcriptional mRNA editing, GluA2 subunits differ from other GluA

subunits by introduction of Arg instead of Gln in the ion-conducting pore. The presence of this large, positively charged Arg renders GluA2-containing AMPARs impermeable to Ca^{2+} (Ca^{2+} -impermeable AMPARs [CI-AMPARs]) and with decreased conductance. In contrast, GluA2-lacking AMPARs, such as GluA1 homomers, are Ca^{2+} -permeable (CP-AMPARs) and have greater conductance.

Although GluA1 CP-AMPARs are excluded basally from hippocampal CA1 synapses, except very early in development (Lu et al., 2009; Rozov et al., 2012; Stubblefield and Benke, 2010), LTP/LTD and homeostatic plasticity can modify synaptic strength via insertion of CP-AMPARs (Aoto et al., 2008; Lu et al., 2007; Park et al., 2016; Plant et al., 2006; Sanderson et al., 2016, 2018; Soares et al., 2013; Sutton et al., 2006; Thiagarajan et al., 2005; Yang et al., 2010; but see Adesnik and Nicoll, 2007; Ancona Esselmann et al., 2017; Gray et al., 2007)). When recruited to synapses, CP-AMPARs influence plasticity expression and confer changes in plasticity signaling mechanisms, resulting in metaplasticity. Importantly, CP-AMPAR-mediated metaplasticity at striatal and amygdalar synapses has been linked to drug addiction and fear extinction, respectively (Clem and Haganir, 2010; Wolf and Tseng, 2012). In addition, intracellular exposure to synaptotoxic β -amyloid ($\text{A}\beta$)(1–42) oligomers can recruit CP-AMPARs to hippocampal CA1 synapses (Whitcomb et al., 2015). However, the roles of CP-AMPARs in controlling hippocampal plasticity remain controversial, in large part because we do not have an adequate understanding of the mechanisms regulating CP-AMPARs.

Accumulating evidence indicates that the cyclic AMP (cAMP)-dependent protein kinase (PKA) and the Ca^{2+} -dependent protein phosphatase Calcineurin (CaN) play key roles regulating GluA1 and CP-AMPARs during synaptic plasticity, in part by controlling GluA1 phosphorylation (Diering et al., 2014; Goel et al., 2011; Kim and Ziff, 2014; Lu et al., 2007; Park et al., 2021; Sanderson et al., 2012, 2016; Soares et al., 2013; Yang et al., 2010). In addition, several studies have implicated CaN-LTD signaling in contributing to synaptic depression, LTP inhibition, and cognitive impairment following exposure to $\text{A}\beta$ oligomers that accumulate in Alzheimer's disease (D'Amelio et al., 2011; Dineley et al., 2007, 2010; Hsieh et al., 2006; Jo et al., 2011; Kim et al., 2015; Reese et al., 2008; Shankar et al., 2007; Taglialatela et al., 2009, 2015; Wu et al., 2010; Yamin, 2009; Zhao et al., 2010). In the case of PKA signaling, the conclusions of previous studies are mixed, with some implicating PKA in $\text{A}\beta$ -mediated synaptic dysfunction and others finding that PKA protects against deleterious effects of $\text{A}\beta$ (Li et al., 2013; Vitolo et al., 2002; Wang et al., 2009, 2013; Whitcomb et al., 2015). However, previous studies of PKA and CaN in $\text{A}\beta$ -mediated synaptic dysfunction primarily relied on pharmacological manipulation of cAMP levels or kinase and phosphatase activities that would globally affect all PKA or CaN signaling, including pre- and postsynaptic.

In contrast, studies from our laboratory and others found that highly localized postsynaptic anchoring of PKA and CaN to A-kinase anchoring protein (AKAP) 79/150 (79, human/150, rodent) is crucial for coordinating bi-directional control of CP-AMPAR incorporation at hippocampal synapses (reviewed in Purkey and Dell'Acqua, 2020). Our previous studies analyzed *in vitro* cultures and *ex vivo* brain slices from juvenile mice with knockin mutations in the *Akap5* gene that disrupted AKAP150 anchoring of PKA (150 PKA)

or CaN (150 PIX). In particular, PKA anchoring disruption prevented recruitment of CP-AMPARs to synapses, leading to impaired homeostatic potentiation *in vitro* and reduced LTD but normal LTP in area CA1 *ex vivo*. In contrast, CaN anchoring disruption increased basal synaptic incorporation of CP-AMPARs to prevent homeostatic potentiation *in vitro* but result in enhanced CA1 LTP and impaired LTD *ex vivo* (Sanderson et al., 2012, 2016, 2018). However, our prior work and studies by others indicate that the role of CP-AMPARs in plasticity is itself plastic and strongly influenced by inducing stimulus and postnatal development (reviewed in Purkey and Dell'Acqua, 2020). Thus, the roles of AKAP-anchored PKA and CaN in controlling CP-AMPARs and LTP/LTD balance could be different in adults, when synaptic development is complete, compared with juveniles, when synapses are still forming and maturing. Accordingly, here we characterized CP-AMPAR regulation during synaptic plasticity at CA1 synapses in adult wild-type (WT), 150 PKA, and 150 PIX mice under normal conditions and following exposure to A β (1–42) oligomers to reveal crucial roles of AKAP-PKA/CaN signaling in regulating LTP/LTD balance and how it is disrupted by A β .

RESULTS

Genetic disruption of AKAP-CaN anchoring leads to increased basal incorporation of CP-AMPARs at CA1 synapses in adult mice

We first sought to characterize basal glutamatergic excitatory synaptic input to CA1 neurons using whole-cell recording in *ex vivo* hippocampal slices prepared from 8- to 16-week-old adult 150 PKA and 150 PIX mice compared with WT controls (Figure 1). We observed no changes in the mean amplitude (Figures 1A and 1B) or frequency (Figures 1A and 1C) of spontaneous excitatory postsynaptic currents (sEPSCs) mediated by AMPARs compared with the WT in PKA ($p = 0.69$ amplitude, $p = 0.98$ frequency) or PIX mice ($p = 0.78$ amplitude, $p = 0.99$ frequency; one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's). We next assessed the ratio of AMPAR to NMDAR-mediated basal synaptic transmission in CA1 neurons in response to stimulation of the Schaffer collateral (SC) inputs from CA3 (Figures 1D–1F). The amplitude of the evoked AMPAR EPSC was measured as the peak of the response recorded at -65 mV (fast inward AMPA current) or $+40$ mV (fast outward AMPA plus some NMDA current). The amplitude of the evoked NMDAR EPSC was measured 70 ms after onset of the outward $+40$ mV response, when the faster AMPAR response had largely decayed (Figure 1D). Although the -65 mV and $+40$ mV AMPA/NMDA EPSC ratios were unchanged for 150 PKA mice (Figure 1E, $p = 0.74$; Figure 1F, $p = 0.85$), these ratios were increased significantly for 150 PIX compared with the WT (Figure 1E, **** $p < 0.0001$; Figure 1F, ** $p = 0.006$; one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's).

An increased AMPA/NMDA EPSC ratio in PIX mice could result from increased AMPAR transmission, decreased NMDAR transmission, a change in AMPAR subunit composition, and/or a combination of the above. Consistent with some amount of increase in AMPA/NMDA ratio for PIX being due to decreased NMDAR-mediated transmission, the mean amplitude of the $+40$ mV NMDA EPSC measured 70 ms after onset was decreased (~56%) in PIX CA1 neurons compared with the WT (Figure 1G; ** $p = 0.006$ by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's test). However, the increase in the inward -65 mV AMPA/NMDA ratio

was substantially larger (~130%; Figure 1E) than the increase in the outward +40 mV AMPA/NMDA ratio (~36%; Figure 1F) observed for 150 PIX. Thus, this differential effect on the inward versus outward AMPA/NMDA EPSC ratios in PIX mice cannot solely be accounted for by decreased NMDAR transmission, which would affect these two ratios equally. Consistent with the measurements of sEPSC amplitude and frequency above, dendritic spine densities in the CA1 *stratum radiatum*, assessed by Golgi staining, were also not significantly different for PIX compared with the WT (Figures 1H and 1I; $p = 0.22$ by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's). Thus, the increases in evoked AMPA/NMDA ratio in 150 PIX also cannot be attributed to an increase in the number of excitatory synaptic connections on CA1 neurons. However, consistent with previous findings in juvenile mice (Lu et al., 2011; Sanderson et al., 2016), CA1 dendritic spine density was increased ~20% in adult 150 PKA compared with WT mice (Figures 1H and 1I; $***p = 0.0005$ by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's).

CP-AMPA receptors are sensitive to blockade of inward current by exogenous polyamine toxins and of outward current by endogenous polyamines, with the latter leading to a non-linear, inwardly rectifying current-voltage (I-V) response. In contrast, GluA2-containing CI-AMPA receptors display linear I-V responses and are insensitive to polyamines (Traynelis et al., 2010). Thus, our observations of a greater increase in inward -65 mV relative to outward +40 mV AMPA/NMDA EPSC ratios for PIX suggest a possible increase in the basal contribution of inwardly rectifying GluA2-lacking CP-AMPA receptors, a finding that would be similar to that in juvenile PIX mice (Sanderson et al., 2012, 2016). To further examine whether the subunit composition of synaptic AMPA receptors is altered basally in adult PIX mice, we blocked NMDARs (10 μM (5S,10R)-(+)-5-methyl-10,11-dihydro-5H-dibenzo[α,δ]cyclohepten-5,10-imine maleate [MK801]) and recorded pharmacologically isolated, evoked SC-CA1 AMPA EPSC responses across a range of holding potentials from -65 mV to +40 mV (Figure 2A). Importantly, inward rectification of synaptic AMPA responses was evident for 150 PIX but not 150 PKA or the WT in normalized I-V plots of EPSC responses (Figure 2B; $**p = 0.007$, $***p < 0.0001$ to WT by 2-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's) and in measurements of EPSC rectification indices calculated as the ratio of the inward to the outward AMPA EPSC amplitudes at -65 mV and +40 mV, respectively (Figure 2C; $****p < 0.0001$ to WT by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's). To independently assess contributions of CP-AMPA receptors to basal transmission, we also recorded inward -65 mV AMPA EPSC responses before and after application of the CP-AMPA receptor polyamine antagonist N,N,H,-trimethyl-5-[(tricyclo[3.3.1.1.3,7]dec-1-ylmethyl)amino]-1-pentanaminiumbromide hydrobromide (IEM1460; 70 μM) and found that IEM1460 (IEM) significantly decreased EPSC amplitude only for PIX (~22%) and had no effect on responses in the WT or PKA (Figure 2D; $**p = 0.009$ to WT by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's). Thus, based on multiple criteria, genetic disruption of AKAP-CaN anchoring resulted in an aberrant increase in basal incorporation of CP-AMPA receptors at SC-CA1 synapses in adult PIX mice. Also consistent with previous findings, our results indicate that CP-AMPA receptors do not make appreciable contributions to basal SC-CA1 synaptic transmission in WT mice (Lu et al., 2009; Rozov et al., 2012; Sanderson et al., 2016).

Genetic disruption of AKAP-PKA anchoring prevents CP-AMPA synaptic incorporation to reduce LTP and shift expression primarily to CI-AMPA

To determine the effects of genetic disruption of AKAP-PKA and CaN anchoring on synaptic plasticity in adult mice, we first turned to extracellular recording of field excitatory postsynaptic potentials (fEPSPs) for SC-CA1 synapses in the *stratum radiatum* of acute slices. Assessment of basal transmission by determining input-output (I-O) relationships for fEPSP slope versus presynaptic stimulus intensity showed no difference between the WT and PIX but did reveal a significant increase in the I-O curve for PKA compared with the WT (Figure S1A; ** $p < 0.01$ to **** $p < 0.0001$ by one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's), which was somewhat unexpected based on the whole-cell recording data above showing normal sEPSC activity (Figures 1A–1C) and AMPA/NMDA EPSC ratios for PKA (Figures 1D–1F). However, this increase in the fEPSP I-O curve for PKA was not related to any change in the probability of presynaptic glutamate release, as shown by similar paired-pulse facilitation ratios for all three genotypes (Figure S1B), indicating that it is likely postsynaptic in nature and, at least in part, possibly related to the increase in CA1 *stratum radiatum* dendritic spine density/excitatory synapse number noted above (Figures 1H and 1I).

Despite these changes in basal transmission, adult PKA and PIX mice exhibited robust LTP of fEPSP responses induced by a single 1-s, 100-Hz high-frequency stimulus (HFS) train, with no difference compared with the WT in the level of expression ~30 min after induction for PIX (Figure 3A) but a moderate decrease (~25% < WT) measured for PKA (Figure 3B; *** $p < 0.001$ to WT by 2-way ANOVA). Significantly decreased LTP expression (~33% < WT) was also observed for 150 PKA at later time points (~90 min) after induction in independent experiments (Figure 3C; *** $p < 0.001$ by 2-way ANOVA). In agreement with previous work by others in adult mice (Lu et al., 2007), LTP induced by 1×100 -Hz HFS in 8- to 16-week-old WT mice was heavily dependent on CP-AMPA recruitment, as shown by a substantial reduction (~56%) in expression when IEM was added immediately after induction (Figure 3D; *** $p < 0.001$ by 2-way ANOVA). Similar inhibition (~58%) of LTP expression by IEM was also observed for 150 PIX (Figure 3E; *** $p < 0.001$ by 2-way ANOVA), indicating that CP-AMPA also prominently support LTP in these mice. In contrast, LTP expression in 150 PKA was not sensitive to inhibition by IEM (Figure 3F; $p = 0.085$ by 2-way ANOVA), indicating that the reduced level of LTP expression observed in these mice is supported almost entirely by GluA2-containing CI-AMPA. Furthermore, these results indicate that AKAP-anchored PKA signaling is required for effective recruitment of CP-AMPA to CA1 synapses during LTP.

Although our fEPSP LTP recording results for adult WT and PKA mice are fairly similar to previous findings in ~2-week-old juveniles, where we also observed CP-AMPA-dependent expression of 1×100 -Hz LTP in WT mice and a shift toward CI-AMPA-dependent expression in PKA mice, our current findings in adult PKA mice are somewhat complicated by the increased fEPSP I-O relationship (Figure S1A). Therefore, we sought to independently characterize LTP using a whole-cell recording approach that also allowed us to directly monitor synaptic recruitment of CP-AMPA. Importantly, our whole-cell recordings above revealed no differences in evoked AMPA- and NMDAR-

mediated basal transmission at SC-CA1 synapses for adult PKA mice (Figures 1 and 2). Accordingly, we monitored SC-CA1 AMPAR EPSC responses (isolated in the presence of picrotoxin to block GABA_A receptors) recorded every 20 s at a holding potential of -65 mV during a 3-min baseline period (immediately after establishing whole-cell access) and then induced LTP by first depolarizing the postsynaptic CA1 neuron to 0 mV for 90 s with ongoing basal stimulation, followed by an additional 90 s of 3 Hz stimulation of the presynaptic SC inputs (Brachet et al., 2015), before returning to -65 mV to monitor post-induction EPSC responses (Figure 4A). In WT neurons, LTP expression developed over the next ~6 min after delivery of this induction stimulus and then was maintained stably for at least 20 min (Figure 4A). Although similar levels of LTP expression resulted from this induction protocol for 150 PIX compared with the WT (Figure 4A; $p = 0.42$), LTP expression was strongly reduced (~66% < WT) for 150 PKA (Figure 4A; **** $p < 0.0001$ to WT by 2-way ANOVA). Consistent with CP-AMPA recruitment to CA1 synapses supporting LTP expression, application of the CP-AMPA antagonist N-[3-[[4-[(3Aminopropyl)amino] butyl]amino]propyl]-1-naphthaleneacetamide trihydrochloride (NASPM; 20 μ M) to WT slices fully prevented LTP expression induced by this pairing protocol, similar to application of a combination of NMDAR antagonists (MK801, 10 μ M; D-2-amino-5-phosphonovaleric acid [D-APV], 50 μ M), the latter confirming the NMDAR dependence of induction (Figure 4B; **** $p < 0.0001$ to WT control by 2-way ANOVA and one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's).

In similar experiments, we also periodically recorded outward EPSC responses at a holding potential of +60 mV and then calculated an AMPAR EPSC rectification index as the ratio of the peaks of the inward -65 mV and outward +60 mV responses (Figure 4C). Although this ratio does not provide a pure measurement of AMPAR rectification because of some contamination of the peak of the fast, outward AMPAR EPSC by the rising phase of the slower, outward NMDAR EPSC and partial relief of the polyamine block of the outward current at +60 mV, it does provide a meaningful approximation of AMPAR rectification (Sanderson et al., 2016). Importantly, in WT neurons, this AMPAR rectification index increased significantly immediately following delivery of the pairing induction stimulus and remained elevated out to 10 min after induction, indicating that CP-AMPA receptors are being recruited to WT SC-CA1 synapses to support LTP expression (Figure 4C; * $p = 0.04$, ** $p = 0.004$, ** $p = 0.007$, **** $p < 0.0001$ to Before by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's). In addition, CP-AMPA and NMDAR antagonism prevented increased rectification after 3-Hz pairing stimulation (Figures 4D and 4E; $p = 0.67$ NASPM, $p = 0.76$ MK801/AP-V to Before by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's). In further support of our conclusion that CP-AMPA recruitment supports this form of LTP, the strongly impaired potentiation observed in PKA mice was accompanied by failure to detect significantly increased AMPAR rectification at any time point following the induction stimulus (Figure 4F; $p = 0.11$ by one-way ANOVA). In contrast, the comparatively normal LTP observed in PIX mice, like in WT mice, was inhibited completely by NASPM (Figure 4G; **** $p < 0.0001$ by 2-way ANOVA and one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's) and was accompanied by persistent, unchanging elevation in AMPAR rectification (Figure 4H; $p = 0.13$ by one-way ANOVA). Importantly, in agreement with our more exact measurements of basal AMPAR rectification for PIX above (Figures 2B and 2C), this approximate measurement of AMPAR rectification was

increased basally for PIX compared with the WT even before LTP induction (Figure 4H; ####p < 0.0001 by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's).

Genetic disruption of AKAP-PKA anchoring prevents transient CP-AMPA recruitment that primes adult CA1 synapses for LTD mediated by AKAP-CaN signaling, which removes synaptic AMPARs

Our prior work found LTD impairments in ~2 week-old juvenile PKA and PIX mice that were, respectively, related to failed CP-AMPA synaptic recruitment and subsequent failed removal during LTD induction in response to prolonged (6–15 min) 1-Hz low-frequency stimulation (LFS) (Sanderson et al., 2012, 2016). However, NMDAR-dependent LTD declines in magnitude over the course of postnatal development and becomes very difficult to induce *ex vivo* in hippocampal slices prepared from adult animals using standard 1-Hz LFS protocols. To overcome this difficulty we employed a modified, whole-cell recording protocol with GABAergic inhibition intact to favor LTD induction in adult mice (Steele and Mauk, 1999). We first monitored inward AMPAR EPSC responses at a holding potential of –40 to 30 mV (adjusted for each cell to be at/near the Cl[–] reversal potential where little or no inward or outward GABA_A receptor current was detected) and next employed the same 0-mV, 3-Hz pairing stimulation used above to induce LTP but without including a GABA_A receptor blocker (Brachet et al., 2015; Figure 4). We then returned to –40 to 30 mV to monitor AMPAR EPSC responses after induction and found that this modified 3-Hz stimulation protocol reliably induced long-lasting ~20% depression of AMPAR EPSC responses in adult WT slices that required NMDAR (Figure 5A; MK801/APV ****p < 0.0001 by 2-way ANOVA and one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's) and CP-AMPA activity (Figure 5B; NASPM ****p < 0.0001 by 2-way ANOVA and one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's), both of which are similar to our previous findings in juvenile mice (Sanderson et al., 2016). However, this stimulation protocol failed to induce any LTD in PKA mice, consistent with impaired CP-AMPA recruitment, and inappropriately resulted in synaptic potentiation/LTP in PIX mice (Figure 5C; ****p < 0.0001 to WT by 2-way ANOVA and one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's). Importantly, the aberrant potentiation we observed in adult PIX mice was prevented by NASPM, consistent with failure to remove the additional CP-AMPA recruited during LTD induction (Figure 5D; ****p < 0.0001 by 2-way ANOVA and one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's). These findings indicate that, like in juveniles, AKAP-anchored PKA and CaN also control NMDAR-dependent LTD in adult animals through their dynamic, opposing control of CP-AMPA synaptic incorporation and removal, respectively.

Inhibition of LTP by synaptotoxic A β oligomers requires AKAP-PKA and AKAP-CaN signaling

A major motivation for characterizing synaptic plasticity in adult PKA and PIX mice was so that we could lay the groundwork for investigating mechanisms underlying synaptic dysfunction in disorders that affect the adult brain, such as Alzheimer's disease. Accordingly, we next evaluated the effects of acutely exposing slices from adult WT, PKA, and PIX mice to synaptotoxic A β (1–42) oligomers prior to inducing LTP (Figure 6). Delivery of 2 \times 100-Hz HFS, 1-s trains spaced 5 min apart induced an ~50% LTP of fEPSP slope in WT mice that was stably expressed for at least 60 min after induction

under control conditions (Figures 6A and 6F). Consistent with our prior work (Freund et al., 2016), this spaced $2 \times$ HFS-induced LTP was almost completely absent in WT mouse slices exposed to 100 nM A β (Figures 6A, **** $p < 0.0001$ by 2-way ANOVA, and 6F, *** $p = 0.0002$ by one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's). Similar to LTP induced with a single HFS (Figure 3F), expression of LTP induced by spaced $2 \times$ HFS also required CP-AMPA activity, as shown by nearly complete inhibition of stable expression by NASPM applied prior to and during induction and initial expression (Figures 6B, **** $p < 0.0001$ by 2-way ANOVA, and 6F, **** $p < 0.0001$ by one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's). Delayed application of IEM after the spaced $2 \times$ HFS induction stimulus also significantly reduced the subsequent level of LTP expression to $\sim 30\%$ (Figure 6F, ** $p = 0.0037$ by one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's), although this inhibition of LTP was not as complete as seen for NASPM applied during induction/initial expression, indicating that some replacement of recently recruited CP-AMPA with CI-AMPA likely has occurred by this time after induction. Importantly, under control conditions in slices from 150 PKA mice, spaced $2 \times$ HFS also induced stable LTP expression ($\sim 46\%$) that was similar in magnitude to that of the WT (Figure 6D, $p = 0.56$ by 2-way ANOVA) but completely insensitive to inhibition by A β (Figures 6C, $p = 0.87$ by 2-way ANOVA, and 6F, $p = 0.72$ by one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's) and by addition of IEM after induction, which instead increased LTP expression ($\sim 74\%$) compared with controls (Figure 6F, * $p = 0.011$ by one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's). Although stable LTP induced by spaced $2 \times$ HFS was somewhat elevated in magnitude in slices from PIX ($\sim 77\%$) compared with the WT ($\sim 53\%$) under control conditions (Figure 6D; * $p = 0.02$ to WT by 2-way ANOVA), it was only partially inhibited by A β (Figures 6E, * $p = 0.016$ by 2-way ANOVA, and 6F, * $p = 0.045$ by one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's) with robust expression still maintained at levels ($\sim 55\%$) similar to those observed for WT controls ($\sim 53\%$). However, LTP expression for PIX was strongly reduced (to $\sim 35\%$) by post-induction application of IEM (Figure 6F, **** $p < 0.0001$ by one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's), indicating that this LTP expression depends on CP-AMPA similar to in WT mice. Thus, surprisingly, LTP resists A β inhibition in adult PKA and PIX mice despite these mutations resulting in opposite effects on CP-AMPA regulation during LTP.

Extracellular application of A β oligomers rapidly recruits CP-AMPA to CA1 synapses via AKAP-PKA signaling to prime LTP inhibition mediated by AKAP-CaN signaling similarly as in LTD

Previous studies suggest that A β impairs LTP by favoring inappropriate activation of LTD signaling that opposes LTP (Hsieh et al., 2006; Jo et al., 2011; Reese et al., 2008; Shankar et al., 2007, 2008; Wu et al., 2010; Yamin, 2009; Zhao et al., 2010). To this end, the common resistance of PKA and PIX mice to A β inhibition of LTP could be related to the shared phenotype of impaired LTD observed above (Figure 5), where AKAP-PKA signaling normally promotes CP-AMPA recruitment, which primes CA1 synapses to undergo LTD via subsequent AMPAR removal mediated by AKAP-CaN signaling downstream of CP-AMPA Ca²⁺ influx (Sanderson et al., 2012, 2016; Figure 5). For this parallel between LTD and A β inhibition of LTP to apply here, the insensitivity of PKA mice to A β inhibition of LTP could be related to failure of A β exposure to recruit CP-AMPA to CA1 synapses to prime LTD signaling by AKAP-CaN. In support of this idea, a prior study found that

exposure to intracellular A β oligomers introduced through a patch pipette led to rapid PKA-mediated synaptic insertion of GluA1 CP-AMPARs in CA1 neurons (Whitcomb et al., 2015). To determine whether the extracellular A β treatment we and others typically employed to inhibit LTP also rapidly promotes CP-AMPAR synaptic incorporation, we used whole-cell recording to monitor changes in AMPAR rectification (in the presence of AP-5 and MK801 to block NMDARs) after extracellular application of 100 nM A β oligomers. Consistent with rapid CP-AMPAR synaptic insertion, in slices from WT mice, extracellular A β triggered a significant increase (~50%) in the -65/+60 AMPA EPSC rectification index within min of application that was maintained over 30 min of recording (Figures 7A and 7B; **p = 0.003, **p = 0.007, ****p < 0.0001 by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's). Interestingly, AMPAR rectification also increased substantially (~100%) in WT slices that were exposed simultaneously to A β and stimulated with a 3-Hz, 0-mV pairing LTP induction protocol under conditions where NMDARs were not blocked (Figures 7C and 7D; Before n = 7, 0 min n = 7, 3 min n = 7, 5 min n = 4; ***p < 0.001 to Before by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's). However, instead of this pairing protocol and the resulting CP-AMPAR recruitment leading to LTP, as shown above for WT mice under control conditions (Figures 4A and 4B), it resulted in LTD of ~20% in the presence of A β (Figure 7E; ****p < 0.0001 0–3 min, n = 8 compared with 27–30 min, n = 8 by 2-way ANOVA). These striking results are consistent with the idea proposed above that CP-AMPARs promote LTD at the expense of LTP in the presence of A β in WT mice.

In contrast to WT mice (Figures 7A and 7B), extracellular A β failed to increase AMPAR rectification in PKA mice even after 30 min of exposure (Figures 7F and 7G; p = 0.76 by one-way ANOVA). Consistent with the independent measurements above (Figures 3 and 4G), the -65/+60 AMPA EPSC rectification index in PIX slices was already increased basally compared with the WT before A β application (Figures 6H and 6I; ####p < 0.0001 to WT Before by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's) and did not increase further after A β application (Figures 6H and 6I; p = 0.086 by one-way ANOVA) but was maintained at elevated levels similar to those observed for WT slices after A β application. Interestingly, in these same experiments, the increased AMPAR rectification induced by A β in the WT was not accompanied by potentiation of the inward -65 mV AMPA EPSC, indicating that the CP-AMPARs recruited by A β are replacing CI-AMPARs to result in no net change in synaptic strength (Figures 6A and 6J). However, in contrast to the lack of change in basal synaptic strength seen in the WT and also PKA (Figures 6F and 6J), slices from PIX mice exhibited rapid AMPA EPSC potentiation following A β application (Figures 6H and 6J; ****p < 0.0001 by 2-way ANOVA to WT) despite the lack of any further increase in rectification (Figures 6H and 6I). Thus, in PIX mice, A β appears to cause LTP-like incorporation of CP-AMPARs and CI-AMPARs to increase synaptic strength.

Importantly, these results also support the model proposed above where, similar to during LTD induction, A β exposure promotes CP-AMPAR incorporation via AKAP-PKA signaling, which primes synapses for enhanced AKAP-CaN signaling to favor subsequent CP-AMPAR and CI-AMPAR removal to prevent LTP expression. According to this model, resistance to A β inhibition of LTP in PIX mice would be due to impaired CP-AMPAR activation of CaN signaling, which removes AMPARs from synapses, whereas resistance to A β inhibition of LTP in PKA mice would be due to failure of PKA signaling, which

recruits CP-AMPARs to prime synapses for overactivation of AKAP-CaN/LTD signaling. Based on the insensitivity to A β inhibition of LTP in PKA mice, which cannot recruit CP-AMPARs, a prediction of this model is that LTP induced in WT mice under conditions that do not require CP-AMPAR recruitment for expression should also be insensitive to A β inhibition. Importantly, our results above (Figures 3 and 6) and prior studies indicate that CA1 LTP in adult rodents induced with a single HFS or theta burst (TBS) train or multiple HFS/TBS trains spaced apart by several minutes is sensitive to CP-AMPAR and PKA inhibition, whereas LTP induced by multiple, massed HFS/TBS trains that are only separated by seconds is insensitive to CP-AMPAR and PKA inhibition (Gray et al., 2007; Lu et al., 2007; Park et al., 2016, 2021). Accordingly, in adult WT mice, we found that LTP induced by 2×100 -Hz, 1-s trains spaced only 10 s apart was insensitive to inhibition by A β and NASPM, whether added separately or together (Figures 7H, $p = 0.77$ A β , $p = 0.23$ A β +NASPM by 2-way ANOVA, and 7I, $p = 0.99$ A β , $p = 0.93$ A β +NASPM, *** $p = 0.0001$ NASPM [increased] to control by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's). Thus, the mechanisms by which A β impairs LTP are heavily intertwined with the postsynaptic AKAP-anchored PKA/CaN signaling pathways that control normal LTP/LTD balance through opposing regulation of CP-AMPAR synaptic recruitment and removal.

DISCUSSION

GluA1 CP-AMPAR regulation of synaptic plasticity changes over the course of postnatal development

The role of GluA1 and CP-AMPARs in regulating synaptic plasticity at CA1 synapses remains controversial, with a number of conflicting studies in the literature, some reporting GluA1 and CP-AMPAR dependence of LTP (Esteban et al., 2003; Guire et al., 2008; Lee et al., 2003; Lu et al., 2007; Park et al., 2016, 2021; Plant et al., 2006; Purkey et al., 2018; Sanderson et al., 2016; Yang et al., 2010; Zhou et al., 2018) and others not (Adesnik and Nicoll, 2007; Granger et al., 2013; Gray et al., 2007; reviewed in Buonarati et al., 2019; Purkey and Dell'Acqua, 2020). However, most prior studies of CP-AMPAR regulation of LTP/LTD examined juvenile animals, where CA1 synapses are undergoing developmental changes. Importantly, the dependencies of LTP on GluA1 subunits, probed using genetic approaches, and on CP-AMPAR activity, probed using pharmacologic approaches, change over the course of postnatal development and also exhibit robust compensation in the face of genetic manipulation (Jensen et al., 2003; Kollerker et al., 2003; Lee et al., 2003; Lu et al., 2007; Sanderson et al., 2016; Zamanillo et al., 1999). Indeed, prior studies found that, although PKA-dependent synaptic recruitment of CP-AMPARs can contribute prominently to 1×100 -Hz LTP in WT mice younger than 2 weeks, this CP-AMPAR dependence disappears over the next 4–7 days of development before reappearing in adult animals older than 8 weeks (Figure 3; Lu et al., 2007; Sanderson et al., 2016). Likewise, it is very clear that genetic knockout of GluA1 and deleting or mutating its C-terminal phosphorylation sites can have comparatively little effect on LTP in mice ~2–3 weeks of age but result in substantial LTP impairment in adults (Granger et al., 2013; Jensen et al., 2003; Kollerker et al., 2003; Lee et al., 2003; Zamanillo et al., 1999). Furthermore, recruitment of CP-AMPARs to CA1 synapses even at a single developmental age depends on the inducing stimulus employed (Figure 7; Guire et al., 2008; Lu et al., 2007; Park et al., 2016, 2021;

Purkey et al., 2018). Thus, much of the controversy regarding regulation of CA1 plasticity by GluA1 CP-AMPARs is likely rooted in differences in one or more of these variables across studies (reviewed in Purkey and Dell'Acqua, 2020).

Of particular relevance here, prior work found that, although AKAP150-PKA anchoring and GluA1 S845 phosphorylation are required for LTD expression in juvenile animals and can contribute to LTP in adult animals (Figures 3 and 4), they are dispensable for LTP expression in juveniles (He et al., 2009; Lee et al., 2003, 2010; Lu et al., 2007). These observations are consistent with other findings indicating that LTP in its most fundamental form involves structural rearrangements of the postsynaptic density (PSD) to create additional slots that can be filled by AMPARs, independent of subunit composition, that exchange with a reserve pool of extrasynaptic receptors cycling through endosomes (Choquet, 2018; Granger et al., 2013; Herring and Nicoll, 2016; Kennedy et al., 2010; Nair et al., 2013; Opazo et al., 2010, 2012; Park et al., 2004; Penn et al., 2017; Petrini et al., 2009; Sinnen et al., 2017; Tang et al., 2016). However, it appears that the subunit composition of AMPARs already present in and/or delivered to this reserve pool changes during development, is regulated by AKAP-PKA/CaN signaling balance, and depends on the induction stimulus employed.

AKAP-PKA/CaN regulation of CP-AMPARs plays a crucial role in metaplastic regulation of LTP/LTD balance in the juvenile and adult hippocampus despite developmental changes

Given all of the abovementioned developmental plasticity, we thought that, to understand diseases that affect the adult brain, such as Alzheimer's disease, we needed to examine how genetic disruption of AKAP150-anchored PKA and CaN signaling affects CP-AMPAR regulation in the mature hippocampus when synaptic development is complete. Accordingly, here we found that AKAP150 scaffolding of the opposing PKA and CaN signaling pathways regulates LTP and LTD by controlling the balance of CP-AMPAR insertion and removal at adult CA1 synapses and that this bi-directional regulation is also central to the mechanism by which A β inhibits LTP. Although CA1 LTP is induced easily by various patterns of 100-Hz HFS in extracellular fEPSP recordings in slices prepared from juvenile and adult rodents, CA1 LTD has traditionally been difficult to induce *ex vivo* in adults. In addition, CA1 LTP is not commonly studied using whole-cell recording in adults. Importantly, in addition to characterizing CP-AMPAR regulation in LTP induced by various HFS protocols in fEPSP recordings, here we also employed a modified whole-cell recording approach using 3-Hz stimulation with GABA_A receptor-mediated inhibition blocked to favor LTP induction and then intact to facilitate LTD induction. Using these approaches, we found that the roles of AKAP-PKA and CaN anchoring in regulating CP-AMPARs in LTD are roughly similar in adults and juveniles, with CP-AMPAR antagonists blocking LTD in WT mice and 150 PKA and 150 PIX mice failing to express LTD (Sanderson et al., 2012, 2016). In addition, we found that genetic disruption of CaN anchoring in adult PIX mice, like in juveniles, basally increased CP-AMPARs at CA1 synapses, and LTD induction not only failed to remove these CP-AMPARs but also resulted in further CP-AMPAR recruitment, leading to inappropriate potentiation.

Somewhat in contrast to juvenile PKA mice, where LTP expression levels were unaffected, we found that genetic disruption of PKA anchoring in adults resulted in reduced 1 × 100-Hz and 3-Hz pairing LTP expression, along with a corresponding failure to recruit CP-AMPA receptors to the synapse. In addition, we found that the 1 × 100-Hz LTP expression remaining in PKA mice, unlike in the WT, was insensitive to CP-AMPA receptor antagonism. Although use of a stronger, spaced 2 × 100-Hz HFS induction protocol could largely rescue the LTP expression deficits in PKA compared with WT adults, this spaced 2 × HFS LTP prominently required CP-AMPA receptor activity in WT but not PKA mice. Thus, LTP expression in 150 PKA adults, like in juveniles, has shifted to be mediated primarily by CI-AMPA receptors. Finally, we found that disruption of CaN anchoring did not result in enhanced 1 × 100-Hz LTP in adults like it did in juveniles; however, we did observe slightly enhanced LTP in PIX mice when induced with spaced 2 × HFS. This finding, combined with our observation that the pairing stimulus used to induce LTD in WT mice inappropriately resulted in CP-AMPA receptor-mediated potentiation in PIX mice, is consistent with the idea that AKAP-anchored CaN also constrains LTP in adults by restricting CP-AMPA receptor synaptic incorporation.

Aβ inhibits LTP via AKAP-PKA signaling, which recruits CP-AMPA receptors to create a metaplastic state primed for AKAP-CaN signaling-mediated LTD

Overall, adult 150 PKA and 150 PIX mice exhibited metaplastic shifts in net LTP/LTD balance toward LTP and away from LTD. Importantly, this common directional shift in LTP/LTD balance, despite being caused by opposing effects on synaptic CP-AMPA receptor recruitment/removal, was able to confer resistance to Aβ-mediated inhibition of LTP in both mouse lines. Furthermore, our results indicate that this convergence in resistance to Aβ requires mechanisms very similar to LTD, where AKAP-PKA-mediated CP-AMPA receptor recruitment primes synapses for subsequent AKAP-CaN-mediated AMPA receptor removal to favor synaptic depression over potentiation (Sanderson et al., 2016). In particular, during LTD induction, AKAP-PKA signaling is engaged downstream of NMDARs, potentially through cAMP generated by Ca²⁺-activated adenylyl cyclase scaffolded to AKAP79/150 (Efendiev et al., 2010; Willoughby et al., 2010), to selectively recruit CP-AMPA receptors, but not CI-AMPA receptors, to the synapse. This preferential effect of AKAP-PKA signaling on CP-AMPA receptors may be related to the presence of four S845 phosphorylation sites in a GluA1 homomer compared with only two in a GluA1/2 heteromer and could also be facilitated by the absence of any additional regulatory mechanisms imposed by GluA2 in a GluA1 homomer. However, at the same time, the low level of Ca²⁺ influx during LTD induction from NMDARs as well as the newly recruited CP-AMPA receptors also activates AKAP-CaN signaling to rapidly remove the newly recruited CP-AMPA receptors as well as CI-AMPA receptors, preventing potentiation and promoting LTD (Sanderson et al., 2016). In addition, CaN activation of DAPK1 during LTD induction is known to prevent Ca²⁺/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase II (CaMKII) translocation to synaptic NMDARs, which is required for prolonged AMPA receptor recruitment, which, in turn, is required for LTP maintenance (Barcomb et al., 2016; Goodell et al., 2017; Halt et al., 2012; Sanhueza et al., 2011). Thus, during LTD induction, synapses never reach a state of synaptic potentiation despite CP-AMPA receptor recruitment because CaN signaling is constantly removing the newly recruited CP-AMPA receptors and also preventing CaMKII from signaling bound to NMDARs as it does during LTP. However, when AKAP-CaN

anchoring is disrupted in PIX mice, LTD induction can inappropriately result in LTP, at least in part because of failure to remove CP-AMPARs from the synapse (Figure 4). Based on our past (Sanderson et al., 2016) and present findings, PKA mice fail to express LTD because of an inability to recruit CP-AMPARs to CA1 synapses, which are needed to boost Ca^{2+} activation of CaN signaling required for effective removal of pre-existing CI-AMPARs. In contrast to LTD, which only transiently recruits CP-AMPARs to CA1 synapses during induction, it is well established that LTP induction can more persistently recruit CP and CI-AMPARs to support its stable expression. During LTP induction, higher levels of NMDAR Ca^{2+} influx strongly activate AKAP-PKA and CaMKII signaling, which promote AMPAR recruitment, but only briefly engage opposing AKAP-CaN signaling, allowing translocation of CaMKII to NMDARs and robust synaptic incorporation of CP- and CI-AMPARs, with CP-AMPARs eventually being replaced by additional CI-AMPARs to maintain expression (Plant et al., 2006; Yang et al., 2010).

Although previous studies of acute synaptic dysfunction caused by A β oligomers have broadly implicated PKA, CaN, GluA1, and CP-AMPARs in the underlying signaling alterations (Hsieh et al., 2006; Shankar et al., 2007; Whitcomb et al., 2015; Zhao et al., 2010), we can now more clearly link these players in a specific CP-AMPAR regulatory pathway that closely mirrors the one that occurs during LTD. Furthermore, our findings provide additional support for models proposing that A β drives synaptic dysfunction through inappropriate engagement of LTD signaling (Hsieh et al., 2006; Jo et al., 2011; Li et al., 2011; Reese et al., 2008; Shankar et al., 2007, 2008; Sinnen et al., 2016; Wu et al., 2010; Yamin, 2009; Zhao et al., 2010). Our findings also allow us to conclude that postsynaptic cAMP-PKA signaling works in concert with Ca^{2+} -CaN signaling to help mediate, instead of protect against, the acute synaptotoxic effects of A β despite PKA and CaN opposing each other in regulation of CP-AMPAR synaptic trafficking. In particular, AKAP-PKA signaling recruits CP-AMPAR to create a metaplastic state induced by A β that is primed for LTD to prevail over LTP signaling, as shown most dramatically in Figure 7 for WT mice, where A β exposure was able to convert an LTP-inducing stimulus into an LTD-inducing stimulus despite similar increases in CP-AMPAR-mediated EPSC rectification.

Interestingly, we previously observed a similar metaplastic state favoring LTD over LTP in juvenile AKAP150CS knockin mice, where palmitoylation of the N-terminal membrane targeting domain was disrupted, resulting in loss of AKAP trafficking through recycling endosomes and a decrease in its association with the PSD (Purkey et al., 2018). In these AKAP150CS mice, we also observed a basal increase in CP-AMPAR incorporation that prevented LTP when induced with protocols that relied on CP-AMPAR recruitment for expression but allowed LTP when induced with a protocol that instead recruited CI-AMPARs for expression. These previous findings in AKAP150CS mice indicate that AKAP-PKA/CaN signaling in recycling endosomes and the PSD are likely crucial for supporting additional CP-AMPAR synaptic recruitment during LTP but that AKAP-PKA/CaN signaling in the extrasynaptic membrane is likely sufficient for CP-AMPAR removal from synapses during LTD. Importantly, here we found that induction of LTP with spaced $2 \times$ HFS that relied on CP-AMPARs for expression in adult WT mice was sensitive to A β inhibition, whereas induction of LTP with a massed $2 \times$ HFS protocol that only relied on CI-AMPARs for expression was insensitive to A β . Thus, paradoxically, although CP-

AMPA recruitment can contribute positively to LTP expression, it also renders synapses vulnerable to A β -mediated synaptic dysfunction, which hijacks CP-AMPA LTD regulatory mechanisms to inhibit LTP.

Overall, our findings demonstrate the importance of postsynaptic AKAP-PKA/CaN signaling balance in regulating not only LTP and LTD under normal conditions but also A β -mediated impairment of LTP. Importantly, this knowledge sets the stage for future exploration of aberrant AKAP-PKA/CaN regulation of CP-AMPA in mediating A β disruption of hippocampal plasticity *ex vivo* and synapse loss and cognitive impairments associated with Alzheimer's disease *in vivo*. Of particular interest will be to determine the upstream mechanisms through which A β engages cAMP-AKAP-PKA and Ca²⁺-AKAP-CaN signaling to control CP-AMPA—*are* β_2 -adrenergic receptors (Wang et al., 2013), mGlu5 receptors (Chen et al., 2017; Haas et al., 2014; Haas and Strittmatter, 2016; Wang et al., 2004), and/or endoplasmic reticulum (ER) Ca²⁺ and ryanodine receptors involved (Chakroborty et al., 2012a, 2012b; Goussakov et al., 2010; Popugaeva et al., 2017)? In addition, it will be important to determine where these A β -regulated signaling pathways converge on CP-AMPA in terms of the different subcellular compartments through which AKAP79/150 and GluA1 are known to traffic dynamically; i.e., the PSD, extrasynaptic plasma membrane, and recycling endosomes (Keith et al., 2012; Purkey et al., 2018; Woolfrey et al., 2015).

STAR★METHODS

RESOURCE AVAILABILITY

Lead contact—Further information and requests for resources and reagents should be directed to and will be fulfilled by the Lead Contact, Mark Dell'Acqua, mark.dellacqua@cuanschutz.edu

Materials availability—We are glad to share the mouse lines used in this study with reasonable compensation by requestor for its processing and shipping. In addition, we may require a payment and/or a completed Materials Transfer Agreement if there is potential for commercial application.

Data and code availability—No standardized datatypes are reported in this paper. All other data reported in this paper will be shared by the lead contact upon request.

This paper does not report original code.

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EXPERIMENTAL MODEL AND SUBJECT DETAILS

All animal procedures were approved by the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee in accordance with National Institutes of Health (NIH)/United States Public Health Service guidelines. Production and initial characterization of AKAP150 PIX mice and PKA mice was previously described

in (Murphy et al., 2014; Sanderson et al., 2012, 2016), respectively. Both mouse alleles (AKAP150 PKA, RRID: MGI_5702316; AKAP150 PIX, RRID: MGI_5702308) were backcrossed to C57Bl6J several generations but then maintained, along with related WT controls, on a mixed C57Bl6J (75%)/ 129X1/SvJ (25%) background. Only male mice were used between 8–16 weeks of age due to well-characterized impacts of the estrous cycle leading to day-to-day variability in LTP. In addition, this study was initiated prior to NIH directives to consider sex as a biological variable.

METHOD DETAILS

Extracellular fEPSP recordings—Unless indicated, all chemicals were from Sigma-Aldrich. For slice preparation, 8–16 week-old mice were decapitated under deep anesthesia with isoflurane via inhalation. Alternatively, animals were cardiac-perfused with 50 mL of ice-cold cutting solution (in mM: 3 KCl, 1.25 NaH₂PO₄, 12 MgSO₄, 26 NaHCO₃, 0.2 CaCl₂, 220 sucrose, 10 glucose) under deep anesthesia with ketamine. (250 mg/kg) prior to decapitation and then removal of the brain into 4°C cutting solution. The hippocampi were removed from the brain, and 400- μ m-thick horizontal slices were made using a McIlwain tissue chopper. Slices were recovered at 22–27°C for > 80 min in ACSF/cutting solution mixture (ACSF in mm: 126 NaCl, 5 KCl, 2 CaCl₂, 1.25 NaH₂PO₄, 1 MgSO₄, 26 NaHCO₃, 10 glucose, and 2 N-acetyl cysteine). Following recovery, slices were transferred to a recording chamber and maintained at 29–30°C in ACSF minus N-acetyl cysteine. A bipolar tungsten stimulating electrode was placed in the SC pathway 200–300 μ m from CA1 cell bodies to evoke fEPSPs recorded in the stratum radiatum using a nearby glass micropipette filled with ACSF (access resistance, 2–5 M Ω). Input-output (I-O) curves were measured by evoking fEPSPs at different intensities until the maximal response was determined by plotting initial fEPSP slope against stimulus intensity. For studies of LTP, the test stimulus intensity was set to evoke 40%–60% of the maximum slope and delivered at 0.05 Hz. The CP-AMPA antagonists N,N,H,-trimethyl-5-[(tricyclo[3.3.1.1.3,7]dec-1-ylmethyl) amino]-1-pentanaminiumbromide hydrobromide (IEM1460) and N-[3-[[4-[(3Aminopropyl)amino] butyl]amino]propyl]-1-naphthaleneacetamide trihydrochloride (NASPM) and NMDAR antagonist (5S,10R)-(+)-5-Methyl-10,11-dihydro-5H-dibenzo[α , δ]cyclohepten-5,10-imine maleate (MK801) were purchased from Tocris. A β (1–42) was purchased from Anaspec and small, soluble oligomers were prepared as previously described (Freund et al., 2016). For experiments with A β , slices were recovered for 60 min and then preincubated with A β (100 nM) for > 60 min prior to LTP induction. Scope54 or WinLTP software was used for data acquisition and analysis.

Whole-cell electrophysiology—For whole-cell, voltage-clamp electrophysiological recordings, 300 μ m horizontal hippocampal slices were prepared as above using a Vibratome. After 15 min recovery at 34°C, slices were then maintained at room temperature until recording. Whole-cell recordings were performed in a chamber maintained at 29–30°C and visualized using infrared-differential interference contrast microscopy. Patch-clamp electrodes had a resistance between 3 and 6 M Ω . Voltage-clamp recordings were obtained using an Axopatch 200B amplifier using pClamp software (Molecular Devices) at a holding potential of –65 mV, except as noted below for AMPA/NMDA evoked EPSC ratios, AMPAR rectification measurements, and LTD recordings. AMPAR sEPSCs isolated using

50 μM picrotoxin (Tocris) were recorded from CA1 pyramidal neurons using an intracellular solution (IS1) containing the following (in mM): 130 Cs gluconate, 1 CsCl, 1 MgSO_4 , 10 HEPES, 1 EGTA, 4 MgATP , 0.4 MgGTP , and 2 QX-314, pH 7.3. Evoked EPSCs were recorded in whole-cell configuration; half-maximal stimulation was determined and then currents were evoked at holding potentials of -65 mV (inward AMPAR current) or $+40$ mV (outward AMPAR plus NMDAR current). Averaging recorded events (> 10 /neuron) and overlaying the traces at -65 mV and $+40$ was used to determine AMPA/NMDA EPSC ratios as follows: AMPAR currents at $+40$ or -65 mV were measured from the peak amplitude of the EPSC and divided by NMDAR currents at $+40$ mV measured 70 ms after the onset of the EPSC. Normalized AMPAR EPSC I-V curves were obtained from averaged recordings (> 10 /neuron) in the presence of 10 μM MK-801 and 50 μM picrotoxin extracellularly and spermine (10 μM) intracellularly. Normalized I-V plots were generated from measurements of AMPAR EPSC peak amplitudes at different membrane holding potentials by dividing the mean AMPAR EPSC peak amplitude determined at -65 mV for each genotype. AMPAR rectification indices (RI) were obtained by dividing the peak amplitudes of AMPAR EPSCs recorded at -65 mV by those recorded at $+40$ mV or $+60$ mV for each neuron as indicated.

Whole-cell, voltage-clamp LTP experiments were recorded from CA1 pyramidal neurons using IS1 containing 10 μM spermine with 50 μM picrotoxin present in the ASCF. A bipolar tungsten-stimulating electrode was placed in the SC pathway 200 μM from the CA1 pyramidal cell to evoke EPSCs. After establishing whole-cell access, a 3-min gap-free baseline recording at -65 mV was performed and an EPSC rectification index (RI) of -65 mV (peak amplitude of inward AMPAR current)/ $+60$ mV (peak amplitude of outward AMPAR plus contaminating NMDAR current) current was then determined. LTP was induced using a modified pairing protocol; cells were depolarized to 0 mV and held there for 90 s, with a pulse every 20 s, then LTP was induced by additional stimulation at 3 Hz for 90 s (Brachet et al., 2015). The cell was returned to -65 mV and evoked EPSC amplitudes were subsequently monitored every 20 s. RI values were also determined for 0 , 3 , 5 , and 10 min post-LTP time-points. Similar recording approaches were used to assess the impact of $\text{A}\beta(1-42)$ oligomers (100 nM) on AMPAR RI over time following 3 Hz LTP induction or in the presence of 10 μM MK-801 and 50 μM picrotoxin to fully isolate AMPA EPSC responses following application of $\text{A}\beta(1-42)$ alone.

Whole-cell, voltage-clamp LTD experiments were recorded from CA1 pyramidal neurons using IS1 containing 10 μM spermine in the absence of picrotoxin extracellularly. A bipolar tungsten-stimulating electrode was placed in the SC pathway 200 μM from CA1 pyramidal cell to evoke EPSCs. After establishing whole-cell access, the reversal potential for GABAergic currents was determined for each cell (between -40 and -30 mV) and then membrane voltage was clamped at this potential to obtain a 3 min gap-free baseline recording. LTD was subsequently induced using the same 3 Hz stimulation protocol as described above to induce LTP (Brachet et al., 2015), but with GABAergic inhibition left unblocked to favor LTD induction (Steele and Mauk, 1999). The cell was then returned to -40 – 30 mV, and evoked EPSCs measured every 20 s.

Perfusion of NASPM (20 μM) to block CP-AMPA receptors or D-2-amino-5-phosphonovaleric acid (D-APV 50 μM ; Tocris) and MK801 (10 μM ; Tocris) to block NMDARs was initiated

just prior to induction of LTP or LTD and were estimated to be maximal concentrations within ~1 min, when bath exchange was complete (2×0.5 mL bath volumes \times 1 ml/min flow rate). If the access resistance of any of the above recordings changed by more than 20%, the recording was discarded. Data were collected using pCLAMP and analysed using Mini-Analysis Program and Clampfit.

Golgi staining and dendritic spine counting—Golgi staining of brains was performed as per manufacturer's instructions using FD Rapid GolgiStain Kit (FD Neurotechnologies) as previously described (Sanderson et al., 2012). Briefly, Golgi-stained pyramidal neuron apical dendrites in CA1 in stratum radiatum were imaged by transmitted light on a Zeiss Axiovert 200M microscope, using a 63x Plan-Apo/1.4 NA objective and a Coolsnap CCD camera (Photometrics) operated by Slidebook 5.0 software (Intelligent Imaging Innovations). Spines were counted from image stacks using ImageJ for 20–105 μ m segments of secondary or higher-order dendrites $> 40 \mu$ m from the cell body. Counts are expressed as spines/ μ m for three mice per genotype with 19 to 21 neurons from different sections along the rostral-caudal axis analyzed per mouse and between one and four dendritic segments counted and averaged per neuron ($n = \#$ neurons).

QUANTIFICATION AND STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

fEPSP slope measurements and analyses were made using WinLTP or Scope54. Whole-cell EPSC measurements and analyses were made using in Clampfit (for evoked EPSCs) and Mini Analysis (for sEPSCs). LTP and LTD time-course data were analyzed using standard two-way ANOVA in Prism (GraphPad). Group comparisons were indicated were performed in Prism using one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's correction for multiple comparisons with a control group or Bonferroni correction for multiple comparisons between pairs of groups. Significance is reported as $*p < 0.05$ and data are expressed and graphed as mean \pm SEM. In most cases, where possible, the raw data points are also represented on the graphs. For one-way and two-way ANOVA, actual p values are reported in the Results text when provided by the software. When actual p values are not provided by the software only $*p < 0.05$, $**p < 0.01$, $***p < 0.001$, and $****p < 0.0001$ are reported in the Results text. In addition, only $*p < 0.05$, $**p < 0.01$, $***p < 0.001$, and $****p < 0.0001$ are reported in the Figure Legends.

Supplementary Material

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Highlights

- Anchored PKA and CaN exert opposing control of CP-AMPARs at adult CA1 synapses
- AKAP-PKA signaling recruits CP-AMPARs during LTP, LTD and following A β exposure
- CP-AMPARs prime synapses for LTD and A β inhibition of LTP mediated by AKAP-CaN
- A β hijacks CP-AMPAR regulation by PKA/CaN to tip LTP/LTD balance in favor of LTD

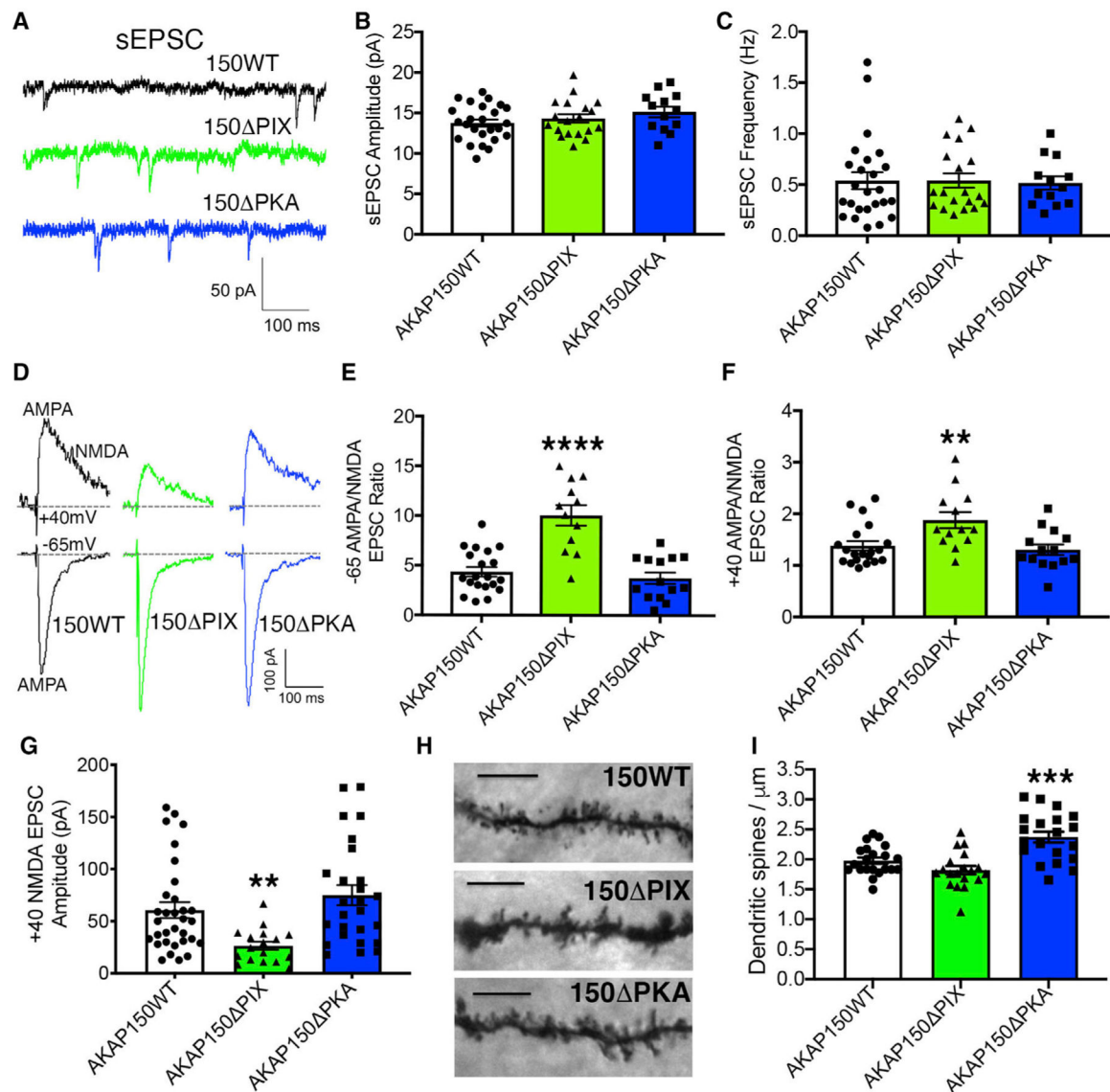


Figure 1. Characterization of basal excitatory synaptic transmission in hippocampal area CA1 in adult PKA anchoring-deficient 150 PKA and CaN anchoring-deficient 150 PIX mice

(A–C) Representative recordings from CA1 pyramidal neurons (A) and quantification of mean sEPSC amplitude (WT 13.8 ± 0.5 pA, $n = 25$; 150 PIX 14.3 ± 0.6 pA, $n = 19$; 150 PKA 15.1 ± 0.7 pA, $n = 13$) (B) and frequency (WT 0.54 ± 0.08 Hz, $n = 25$; 150 PIX 0.54 ± 0.07 Hz, $n = 19$; 150 PKA 0.52 ± 0.07 Hz, $n = 13$) (C).

(D) Representative recordings of evoked SC-CA1 -65 mV inward AMPA and $+40$ mV outward mixed AMPA and NMDA EPSCs.

(E–G) Quantification of mean -65 mV inward AMPA/ $+40$ mV outward NMDA ratio (WT 4.4 ± 0.5 , $n = 20$; 150 PIX 10 ± 1 , $n = 12$, **** $p < 0.0001$ by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's; 150 PKA 3.8 ± 0.6 , $n = 14$) (E), $+40$ outward AMPA/ $+40$ mV outward NMDA EPSC ratio (WT 1.4 ± 0.1 , $n = 21$; 150 PIX 1.9 ± 0.2 , $n = 13$, ** $p < 0.01$ by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's; 150 PKA 1.4 ± 0.2 , $n = 15$) (F), and $+40$ mV outward NMDA EPSC amplitude measured 70 ms after the onset of the response (WT 61 ± 8 pA, $n = 32$;

150 PIX 27 ± 4 pA, $n = 17$, $**p < 0.01$ by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's; 150 PKA 75 ± 10 pA, $n = 26$) (G).

(H) Imaging of Golgi-stained dendritic segments in the CA1 *stratum radiatum* (scale bars, 5 μm).

(I) Quantification of dendritic spines/ μm for WT (1.98 ± 0.05 , $n = 21$), 150 PIX (1.82 ± 0.07 , $n = 19$), and 150 PKA (2.37 ± 0.09 , $n = 20$, $***p < 0.001$ to WT one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's).

All data are represented as mean \pm SEM.

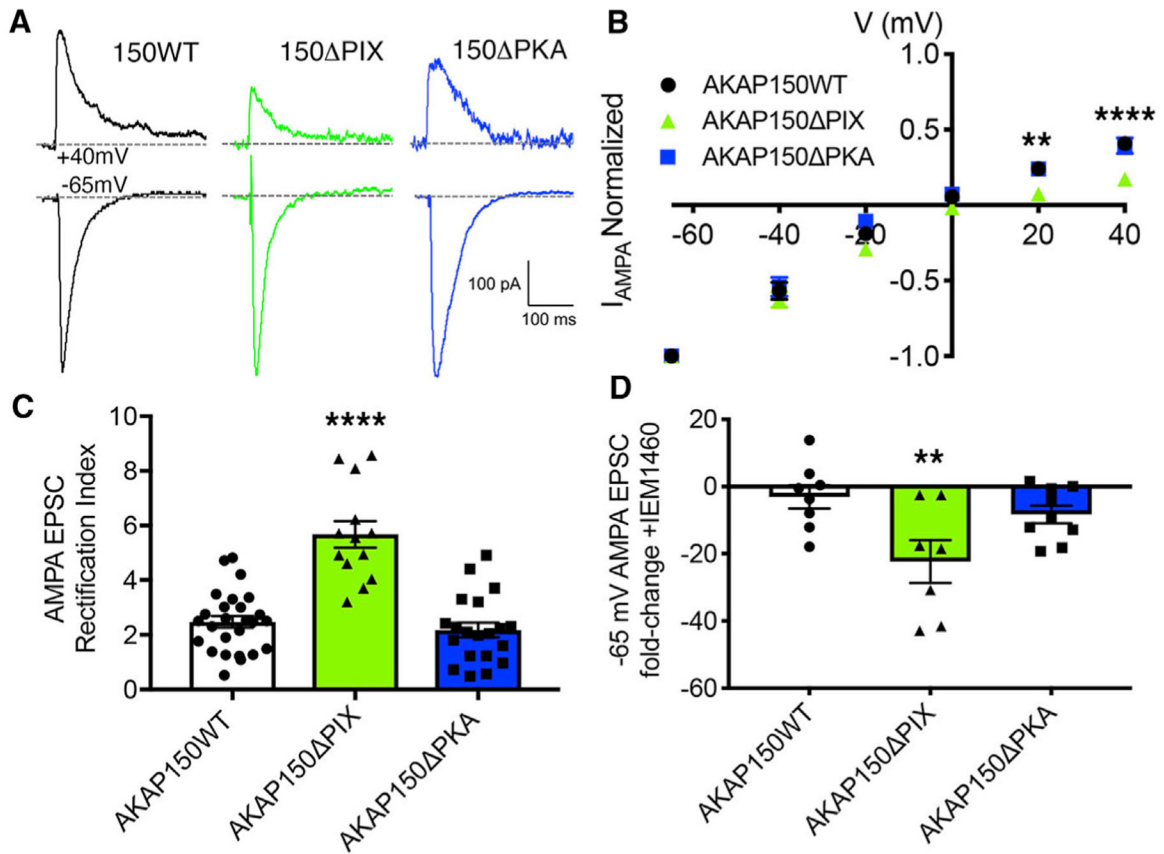


Figure 2. AKAP150-CaN anchoring limits basal synaptic incorporation of CP-AMPA receptors at SC-CA1 synapses in adult mice

(A and B) Representative recordings of evoked SC-CA1 AMPAR EPSC responses (A) and normalized (to -65 mV response) current amplitudes for a range membrane holding potentials plotted as I-V curves (WT n = 27; 150 PKA n = 13; 150 PIX n = 14, +20 mV **p < 0.01, +40 mV ****p < 0.0001 by 2-way ANOVA with Bonferroni) (B).

(C) AMPA EPSC -65 mV/+40 mV rectification index calculated from cells recorded in (B) (WT 2.5 ± 0.3 , n = 26; 150 PKA 2.2 ± 0.3 , n = 13; 150 PIX 5.7 ± 0.5 , n = 13, ****p < 0.0001 by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's).

(D) Percent change in -65 mV EPSC response after application of the CP-AMPA antagonist IEM1460 (WT -3.0 ± 3 , n = 8; 150 PKA -8 ± 3 , n = 13; 150 PIX -22 ± 6 , n = 7, **p < 0.01 by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's).

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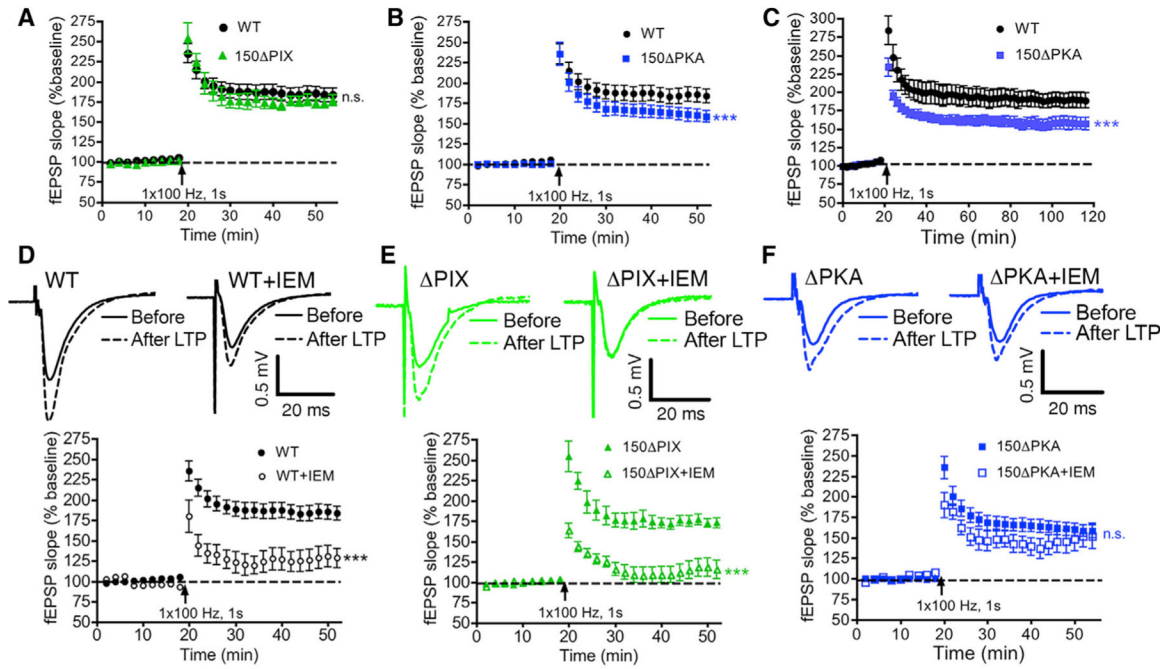


Figure 3. Disruption of AKAP150-PKA anchoring leads to a shift away from CP-AMPA-dependent expression of 100-Hz LTP at SC-CA1 synapses in adult mice

(A and B) fEPSP slope plotted over time showing that 1×100 -Hz HFS induces similar levels of LTP expression in 150 PIX mice ($n = 11$, $p = 0.097$) (A) but reduced LTP expression in 150 PKA mice ($n = 11$, *** $p < 0.001$ by 2-way ANOVA) (B) compared with WT controls ($n = 13$).

(C) Expression of 1×100 -Hz LTP is reduced persistently even at later time points more than 90 min after induction in 150 PKA compared with WT mice (WT $n = 7$, 150 PKA $n = 8$, *** $p < 0.001$ by 2-way ANOVA).

(D–F) Application of the CP-AMPA antagonist immediately after 1×100 -Hz HFS induction significantly inhibits LTP expression in adult WT ($n = 13$, +IEM $n = 5$, *** $p < 0.001$ by 2-way ANOVA) (D) and 150 PIX mice ($n = 11$, +IEM $n = 20$, *** $p < 0.001$ by 2-way ANOVA) (E) but not 150 PKA mice ($n = 11$, +IEM $n = 8$, $p = 0.085$) (F).

(F). Top panels: representative fEPSP recordings before and 30 min after LTP induction.

Bottom panels: fEPSP slope plotted over time. n.s. = not significant. All data are represented as mean \pm SEM.

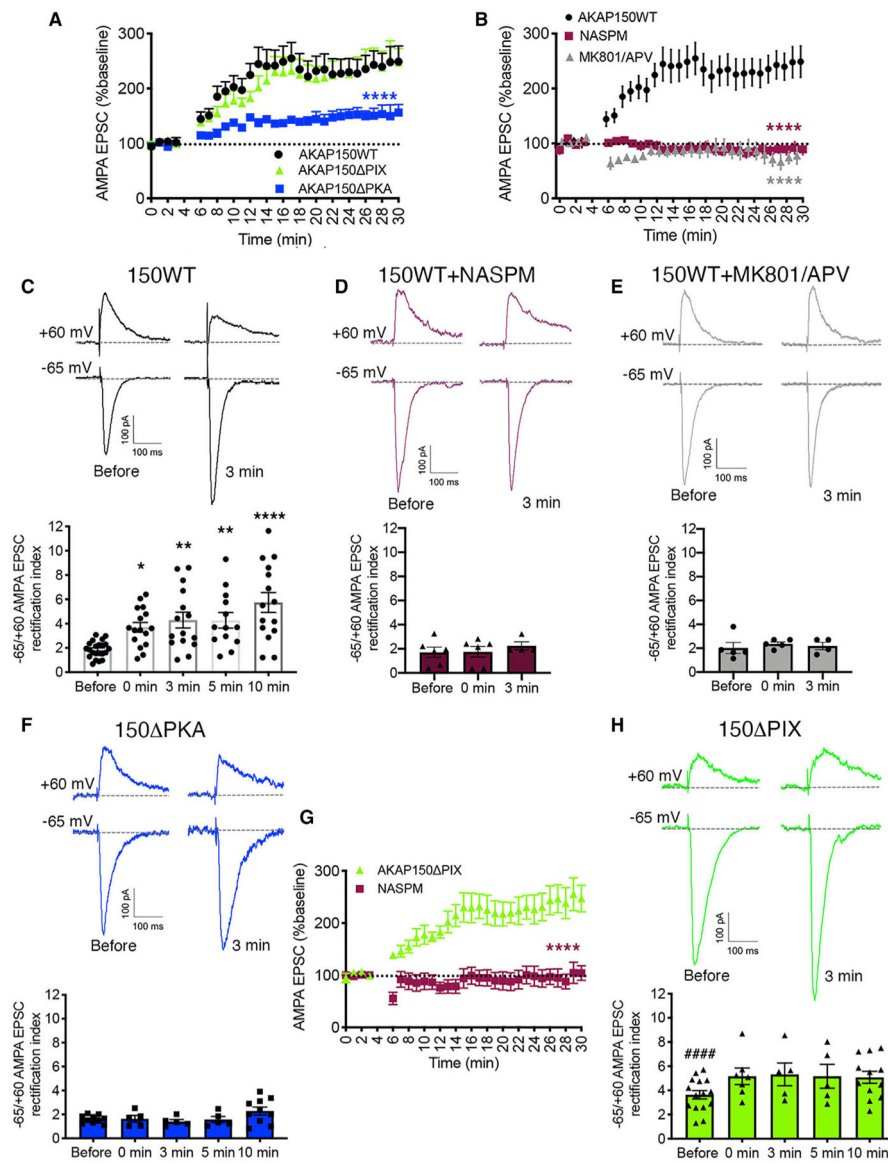


Figure 4. AKAP150-PAK anchoring promotes synaptic recruitment of inwardly rectifying CP-AMPA receptors to support SC-CA1 LTP expression

(A) LTP of -65 mV AMPA EPSCs at SC-CA1 synapses induced using a whole-cell pairing protocol (3 Hz, 0 mV, picrotoxin) in WT ($n = 8$), 150 PIX ($n = 6$), and 150 PKA mice ($n = 4$). LTP expression is reduced significantly in 150 PKA mice (**** $p < 0.0001$ by 2-way ANOVA and one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's).

(B) Inhibition of 3-Hz pairing LTP in WT mice by NMDAR (MK801/APV, $n = 12$, **** $p < 0.0001$ by 2-way ANOVA and one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's) and CP-AMPA antagonism (NASPM $n = 7$, **** $p < 0.0001$ by 2-way ANOVA).

(C) 3-Hz pairing LTP increases AMPAR rectification from 0–10 min after induction in WT mice. Top: representative traces. Bottom: graph of the -65 mV/ $+60$ mV AMPA EPSC rectification index ($n = 13$ – 22 ; * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, **** $p < 0.0001$ by Dunnett's).

(D and E) 3-Hz pairing stimulation does not increase the AMPAR rectification index in WT mice in the presence of NASPM (D, $n = 4$ – 6) or MK801/APV (E, $n = 4$ – 5).

(F) 3-Hz pairing stimulation does not increase the AMPAR rectification index in 150 PKA mice ($n = 5-10$). Top: representative traces. Bottom: graph of the -65 mV/ $+60$ mV AMPA EPSC rectification index.

(G) Inhibition of 3-Hz pairing LTP in 150 PIX mice by CP-AMPA antagonism (NASPM $n = 9$, **** $p < 0.0001$ by 2-way ANOVA).

(H) -65 mV/ $+60$ mV AMPA EPSC inward rectification compared with the WT is already increased basally in 150 PIX mice and remains elevated similarly after 3-Hz LTP induction. Top: representative traces. Bottom: graph of the -65 mV/ $+60$ mV AMPA EPSC rectification index ($n = 5-15$; ### $p < 0.0001$ to WT Before by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's).

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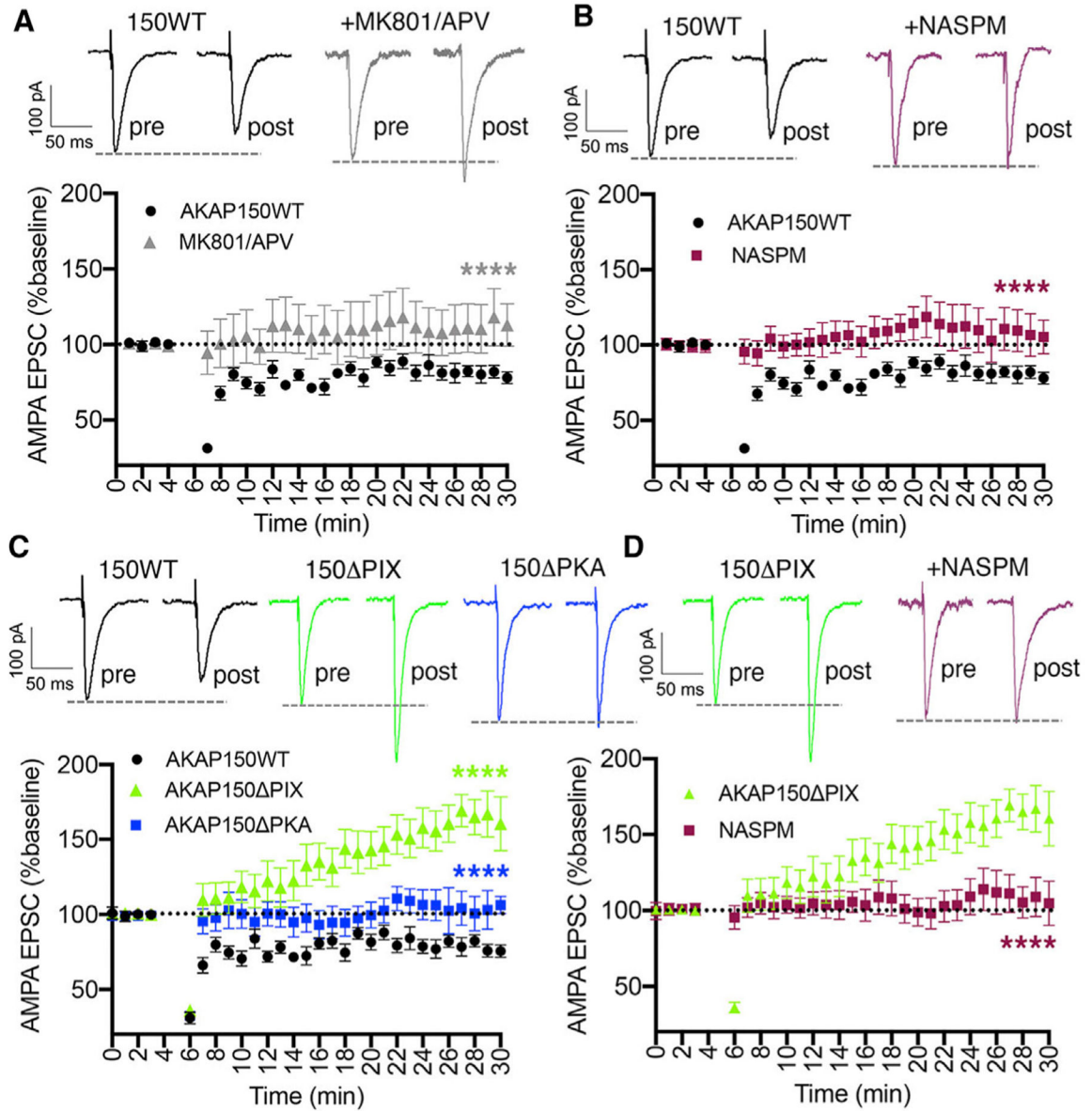


Figure 5. AKAP150-PKA and CaN anchoring are required for CP-AMPA-dependent LTD at SC-CA1 synapses in adult mice

(A and B) 3-Hz, 0-mV pairing-induced LTD of AMPA EPSCs recorded in the absence of picrotoxin at the Cl^- reversal potential (-30 – 40 mV) in WT mice ($n = 14$) is inhibited by antagonists of NMDARs (MK801/APV $n = 10$, **** $p < 0.0001$ by 2-way ANOVA and one-way ANOVA) (A) and CP-AMPARs (NASPM $n = 11$, **** $p < 0.0001$ by 2-way ANOVA and one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's)

(B). Top: representative traces.

(C and D) 3-Hz, 0-mV pairing-induced LTD is absent in 150 PKA mice ($n = 13$, compared with WT $n = 12$, **** $p < 0.0001$ by 2-way ANOVA and one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's) and results in inappropriate LTP in 150 PIX mice ($n = 14$, compared with WT $n = 12$, **** $p < 0.0001$ by 2-way ANOVA and one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's) (C),

which is prevented by antagonism of CP-AMPA (NASPM $n = 9$, **** $p < 0.0001$ by 2-way ANOVA and one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's) (D). Top: representative traces. All data are represented as mean \pm SEM.

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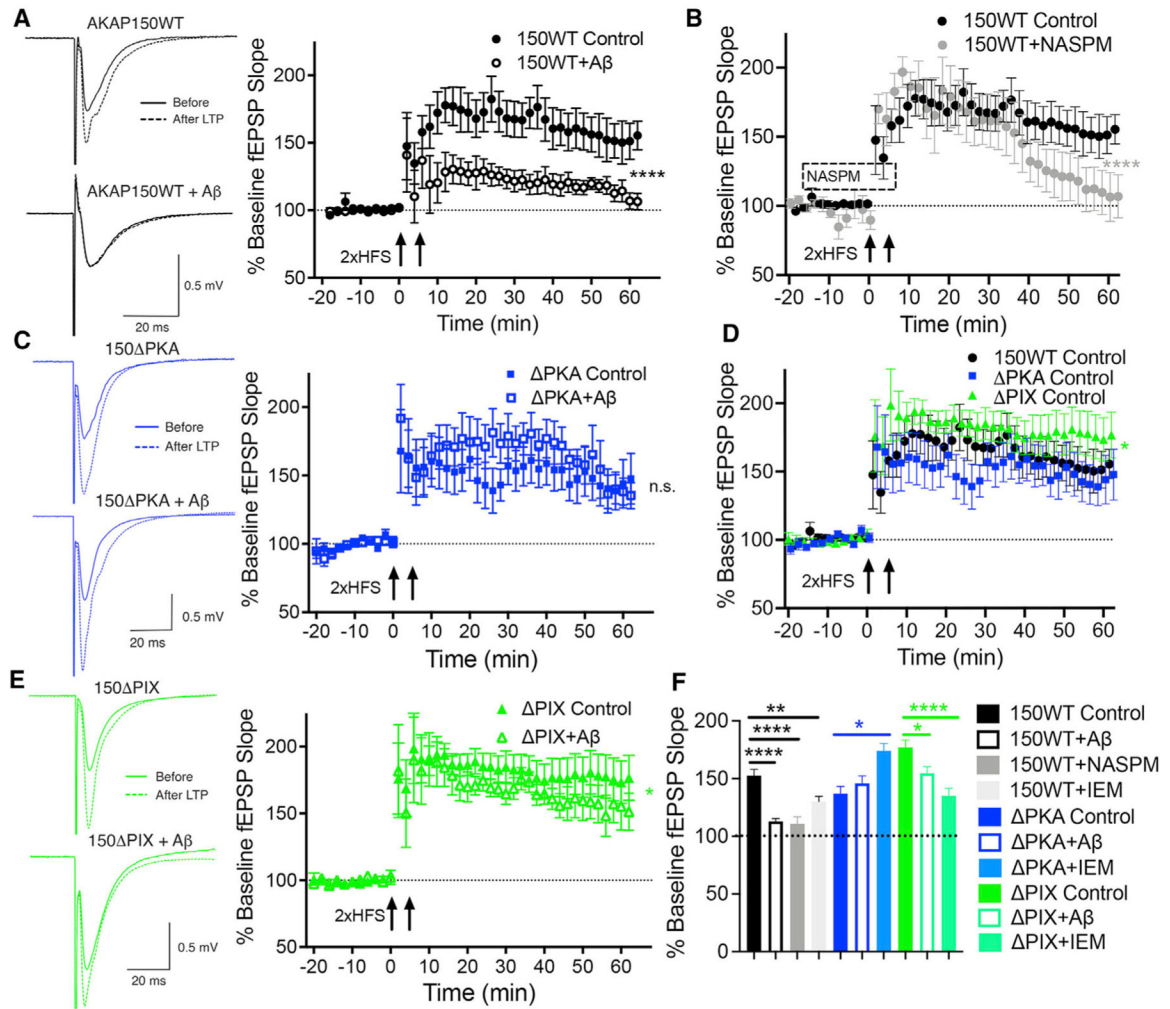


Figure 6. AKAP150-PKA and CaN anchoring are required for Aβ-mediated inhibition of LTP at SC-CA1 synapses in adult mice

(A and B) fEPSP recordings showing that LTP induced by spaced 2 × HFS is inhibited in the continuous presence of Aβ (control n = 6, Aβ n = 6, ****p < 0.0001 by 2-way ANOVA) (A) and by acute antagonism of CP-AMPA receptors (NASPM n = 5, ****p < 0.0001 by 2-way ANOVA) (B).

(C) LTP induced by spaced 2 × HFS in 150 ΔPKA mice is insensitive to Aβ inhibition (control n = 7, Aβ n = 6).

(D) LTP induced by spaced 2 × HFS is of similar magnitude in WT, 150 ΔPKA, and 150 ΔPIX mice under control conditions (WT n = 6, 150 ΔPKA n = 7, 150 ΔPIX n = 10, *p < 0.05 to WT by 2-way ANOVA).

(E) LTP induced by spaced 2 × HFS in 150 ΔPIX mice is largely insensitive to Aβ inhibition (control n = 10, Aβ n = 8, *p < 0.05 by 2-way ANOVA). (A, C, and E) Representative fEPSP recordings (left) and graphs of fEPSP slope normalized to baseline plotted over time (right) are provided.

(F) Normalized levels of fEPSP potentiation 52–62 min after LTP induction for the indicated conditions (WT control 153 ± 6, n = 36, WT+Aβ 113 ± 3, n = 37, WT+NASPM 111 ± 6, n = 30, WT+IEM 130 ± 5, n = 42; ****p < 0.0001, **p < 0.01 by one-way ANOVA

with Bonferroni's to WT control; PIX control 177 ± 6 , $n = 60$, PIX+A β 155 ± 6 , $n = 48$, PIX+IEM 135 ± 7 , $n = 36$; **** $p < 0.0001$, * $p < 0.05$ by one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's to PIX control; PKA control 137 ± 6 , $n = 36$, PKA+A β 146 ± 6 , $n = 32$; PKA+IEM 174 ± 7 , $n = 36$; * $p < 0.05$ by one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's to PKA control).

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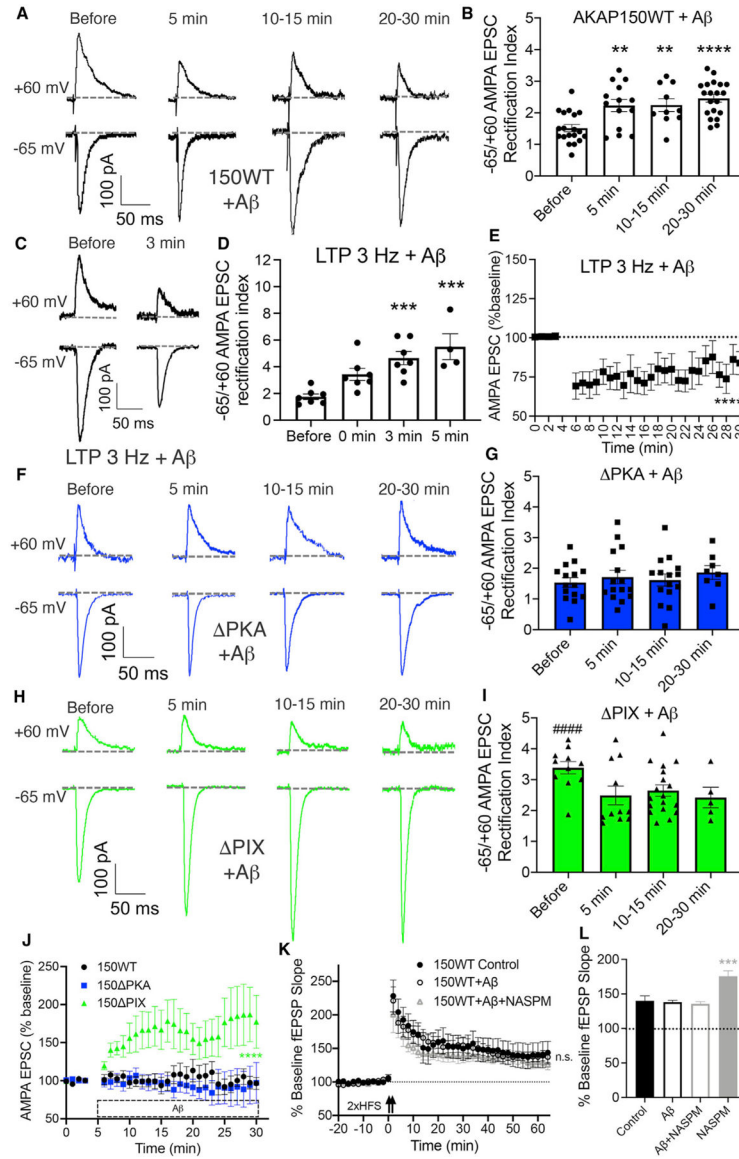


Figure 7. AKAP150-anchored PKA and CaN signaling oppose each other in regulating CP-AMPA recruitment to SC-CA1 synapses, which primes A β -mediated LTP inhibition

(A and B) Representative traces (A) and graph (B) of the -65 mV/ $+60$ mV AMPA EPSC rectification index, showing that extracellular of A β (100 nM) rapidly increases AMPAR rectification from 5–30 min after application in WT mice (Before $n = 19$; 5 min $n = 14$, ** $p < 0.01$; 5–10 min $n = 10$, ** $p < 0.01$; 20–30 min $n = 20$, **** $p < 0.0001$ to Before by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's).

(C–E) Representative traces (C) and graph (D) of the -65 mV/ $+60$ mV AMPA EPSC rectification index, showing that AMPAR rectification increases rapidly in WT mice 0–5 min after stimulation with an LTP induction pairing protocol (3 Hz, 0 mV, picrotoxin) in the presence of A β (100 nM) (Before $n = 7$, 0 min $n = 7$, 3 min $n = 7$, 5 min $n = 4$; *** $p < 0.001$ to Before by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's) but results inappropriately in LTD (**** $p < 0.0001$ 0–3 min compared with =27–30 min, $n = 8$ by 2-way ANOVA) (E).

(F and G) Representative traces (F) and graph (G) of the -65 mV/ $+60$ mV AMPA EPSC rectification index, showing that $A\beta$ does not increase AMPAR rectification from 5–30 min after application in 150 PKA mice (Before $n = 15$, 5 min $n = 15$, 5–10 min $n = 15$, 20–30 min $n = 10$).

(H and I) Representative traces (H) and graph (I) of the -65 mV/ $+60$ mV AMPA EPSC rectification index, showing that AMPAR rectification is increased basally in 150 PIX mice (Before $n = 11$, #### $p < 0.0001$ to WT Before in B by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's) and that $A\beta$ does not further increase AMPAR rectification (5 min $n = 11$, 5–10 min $n = 18$, 20–30 min $n = 5$).

(J) $A\beta$ induces rapid potentiation of -65 mV AMPA EPSCs in 150 PIX mice ($n = 9$ –12; **** $p < 0.0001$ compared with the WT by 2-way ANOVA) but not WT ($n = 6$ –9) or 150 PKA mice ($n = 7$ –10).

(K and L) fEPSP recordings (K) and normalized levels of fEPSP potentiation (L) 52–62 min after LTP induction, showing that LTP induced by massed $2 \times$ HFS in WT mice is not inhibited by continuous $A\beta$ exposure or by acute antagonism of CP-AMPA receptors (control 140 ± 7 , $n = 66$; $A\beta$ 138 ± 3 , $n = 48$; $A\beta$ +NASPM 136 ± 3 , $n = 48$; NASPM 175 ± 8 , $n = 488$, *** $p < 0.001$ increased compared with control by one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's).

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KEY RESOURCES TABLE

REAGENT or RESOURCE	SOURCE	IDENTIFIER
Chemicals, peptides, and recombinant proteins		
Tetrodotoxin (TTX)	Tocris Bioscience	Cat# 1078
Picrotoxin	Tocris Bioscience	Cat# 1128
QX-314 bromide	Tocris Bioscience	Cat# 1014
NASPM trihydrochloride	Tocris Bioscience	Cat# 2766
IEM 1460	Tocris Bioscience	Cat# 1636
DL-APV (AP5)	Tocris Bioscience	Cat# 0105
MK801	Tocris Bioscience	Cat# 0924
Spermine tetrachloride	Tocris Bioscience	Cat# 0958
A β (1–42) sodium salt, human	Anaspec	Cat# AS-6088
Experimental models: Organisms/strains		
AKAP150 PKA (allele symbol: Akap5 ^{tm2Mdaq} /Akap5 ^{tm2Mdaq} ; Allele synonyms: Akap5 PKA, AKAP5 PKA)	Murphy et al., 2014	RRID: MGI_5702316
AKAP150 PIX allele symbol: Akap5 ^{tm1Mdaq} /Akap5 ^{tm1Mdaq} ; Allele synonyms: Akap5 PIX, AKAP5 PIX)	Sanderson et al., 2012	RRID: MGI_5702308
C57BL/6J mice	Jackson Laboratories	RRID: IMSR_JAX:000664
Software and algorithms		
Prism	GraphPad	https://www.graphpad.com/scientific-software/prism/
pClamp/Clampfit	Molecular Devices	https://www.moleculardevices.com/
WinLTP	WinLTP Ltd. and The University of Bristol	https://www.winltp.com/
Mini Analysis	Synaptosoft, Inc.	http://www.synaptosoft.com/MiniAnalysis/