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Data collection

Images of histology were acquired with 20/40/63x objectives using confocal microscopes LEICA SP5/8 and/or with a slide scanner Nanozoomer 2.0 (20x) Hamamatsu). Data acquisition for Patch-clamp recordings was performed with Igor Pro 9 software and Neuromatic v3.0 extension. All recordings were low-pass filtered at 10 kHz and digitized at 100 kHz using an analog-to-digital converter (model NI USB 6259, National Instruments, Austin, TX, USA) and acquired using Neuromatic software (Rothman and Silver, 2018) running in Igor PRO (Wavemetrics, Lake Oswego, OR, USA). MEA recordings were collected with a Multichannel Systems (Germany), video microscope table (MEA-VMT1; Multichannel Systems, Germany) and MEA2100-120 system (bandwidth 1-3000 Hz, gain 5x, Multichannel Systems, Germany). In vivo recordings were collected using 16-channel silicon probes from Neuronexus, pre-amplification of LFP signals recorded at individual channels with multichannel amplifiers (Multichannel Systems) and digitized using a Digidata 1440A, Molecular Devices. Video-EEG activity was recorded with a digital acquisition computer-based system (Coherence, Deltamed, France). Data collection for behavioural tests used the Packwin 2.0 software (Bioseb (France), <https://www.panlab.com/en/products/packwin-software-panlab>) (for CFC), ActiMot2 Software (PhenoMaster Software, TSE System (Germany), <https://www.tse-systems.com/productdetails/phenomaster/actimot?open=1228>)/Acti-track (LSI Leticca, Panlab) (for OF/DL), Videotrack v2.6 Automated Behavioural Analysis (ViewPoint) tracking software (for EPM/3 chambers), CaptureStar v1 software (kainate injections). Blots were developed with SuperSignal West Pico Chemiluminescent Substrate and visualized on the ChemiDoc apparatus (Bio-Rad).

Data analysis

Softwares used for analysis: LAS AF software v2.6.0 build 7266 (Leica), Image J v1.53k (Schneider et al., 2012, <https://imagej.nih.gov/ij/>) and Fiji (NIH Image) for images/histology, IMARIS software 8.4 for 3D reconstruction and Graph Prism (v5) (GraphPad Software Inc., La Jolla, <https://www.graphpad.com/scientific-software/prism/>) for statistical analysis; Neuromatic v3.0 software tools for Igor Pro 9 (Rothman and Silver, 2018) for Patch-clamp electrophysiology analysis; MEA Monitor v1.0.5 software and MC Rack 4.5.1 software (Multichannel Systems, Germany) and Neuroexplorer v4 (Nex Technologies, USA) for MEA experiments; Matlab 2021a (MathWorks) for Spectral analysis of LFP

activity. Video-EEG activity was analyzed with a digital acquisition computer-based system (Coherence, Deltamed, France). Quantitative blots analysis was determined by densitometry using Image Lab™ v3.0 software (Bio-Rad).

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Sample size	No statistical method was used to predetermine sample sizes. The sample sizes and statistics used in this study are described in each figure legend. These are consistent with those of comparable previous anatomical (doi: 10.1016/j.celrep.2016.11.074; 10.7554/eLife.50503; 10.1038/s41467-021-26275-y; 10.1038/s41467-019-11904-4), behavioral (doi: 10.1016/j.cub.2018.12.021; 10.1084/jem.20201879) and functional studies (doi: 10.1371/journal.pbio.3001891; 10.1016/j.neuron.2022.05.016; 10.1523/JNEUROSCI.4297-14.2015;n). Sample sizes were chosen to support meaningful conclusions in accordance with ethical committee requirements to limit the use of animals, while being adequate in magnitude, to ensure statistical power to allow correct determination of statistical significance of results.
Data exclusions	Patch-clamp recordings: all recordings were not corrected for liquid junction potential and for all experiments data were discarded if series resistance, measured with a -5 mV pulse in voltage clamp configuration, was >20 MegaOhM or changed by more than 20% across the course of an experiment. No other data exclusions were made.
Replication	All experimental findings were collected on several animals from at least 3 different litters and confirmed the results. The exact number of replications for each experiment is detailed in each figure legend and statistical analysis/significance in text and figure legends and summarized in Table S2.
Randomization	For all the reported experiments randomization does not apply as there were no group allocation prior to the experiment. Animals were randomly assigned to experimental series tested the same day. We collected qualitative and quantitative assessments of the data across multiple individuals for each genotype (mutant and control) in each experimental series. In our experiments, group allocation corresponding to genotype was determined after data collection and analysis. Group allocation was determined by genotyping and sex for behavioural tests and genotyping for all others. Exclusively in experimental series for behavioural tests males and females were separated.
Blinding	The investigators were blinded to group allocation (control animals and mutants) during data collection and analysis.

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Antibodies

Antibodies used

Primary antibodies: guinea pig anti-NPY (ab10341, Abcam, GR12360, 1:500), rabbit anti-GABA (A2052, Sigma, 045K4757, 1:2000), rat anti-SST (MAB354, Millipore, 3126964, 1:100), chicken anti- β -galactosidase (ab9361, Abcam, GR59431-2, 1:4000), goat anti-Reelin (AF3820, R&D Systems, YPE0320081, 1:500), mouse anti-Reelin (MAB5364, Millipore, 3494056, 1:2000), rabbit anti-alpha tubulin (PA529444, Invitrogen, WA3183690C, 1:1000) and rabbit anti-p73 (ab40658, Abcam, clone: EP436Y, G3416695-2, 1:500).

Secondary antibodies: donkey Cy3 anti-guinea pig (706-165-148, Jackson ImmunoResearch Laboratories, 151431, 1:700), donkey A488 anti-rabbit (711-545-152 Jackson ImmunoResearch Laboratories, 159922, 1:500), donkey Cy5 anti-rat (712-175-153 Jackson ImmunoResearch Laboratories, 121794, 1:250), donkey Cy5 anti-goat (705-175-147 Jackson ImmunoResearch Laboratories, 89840, 1:250), donkey A647 anti-rabbit (A32795, ThermoFisher, TJ271043, 1:200), biotinylated goat anti-chicken (103-065-155 Jackson ImmunoResearch Laboratories, 78100, 1:1000), HRP goat anti-mouse (115-035-008 Jackson ImmunoResearch Laboratories, 113193, 1:20000) and HRP Donkey anti-rabbit (111-035-008 Jackson ImmunoResearch Laboratories, 114506, 1:20000).

Validation

All antibodies used in this study were commercial and their validation is described by the manufacturers using either knock-out tissue, pre-immune serum before immunization and/or cell-type specific expression.

The p73 antibody ab40658 should recognize all p73 isoforms, including the delta-n isoforms, except for isoform 10 according to the uniprot file below: <http://www.uniprot.org/uniprot/O15350>. Suitable for: WB, Flow Cyt (Intra), ICC/IF, IHC-P, Unsuitable for: IP, Species reactivity Reacts with: Mouse, Human, Immunogen: Synthetic peptide. Positive control: WB: HeLa, Jurkat, HEK293 and NIH/3T3 cell lysates. IHC-P: Human urinary bladder carcinoma, human kidney, human liver carcinoma and mouse testis tissues. ICC/IF: HeLa cells. Refs: 1. Malik N et al. CFBF cooperates with p53 to maintain TAp73 expression and suppress breast cancer. PLoS Genet 17:e1009553 (2021). 2. Sadžak A et al. Neurotoxic Effect of Flavonol Myricetin in the Presence of Excess Copper. Molecules 26:N/A (2021).

The NPY antibody: species reactivity for mouse and rat as per the manufacturer, <https://www.abcam.com/neuropeptide-y-antibody-ab10341.html> Immunohistochemistry (PFA perfusion fixed frozen sections) - Anti-Neuropeptide Y antibody (ab10341) at a dilution of 1/500, staining Neuropeptide Y in rat hypothalamus by immunohistochemistry (PFA perfusion fixed frozen sections). Refs: 1. Suzuki M et al. Anti-nerve growth factor therapy attenuates cutaneous hypersensitivity and musculoskeletal discomfort in mice with osteoporosis. Pain Rep 3:e652 (2018). 2. Yang JJ et al. KATP Channels Mediate Differential Metabolic Responses to Glucose Shortage of the Dorsomedial and Ventrolateral Oscillators in the Central Clock. Sci Rep 7:640 (2017). 3. Wu Q et al. Loss of GABAergic signaling by AgRP neurons to the parabrachial nucleus leads to starvation. Cell 137:1225-34 (2009).

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Immunological Reviews (1987). 100:279-306. 3. PNAS USA (1994). 91:2955-2959. 4. J. Neurosci (1996) 16:2701-2715. 5. J. Neurosci (1998) 18:1056-1071. 6. J. Neurosci. (1998) 18(17):6963-6976. 7. Pancreas (1999) 18:53-64.

The anti- β -galactosidase antibody: Immunohistochemistry (PFA perfusion fixed frozen sections) - Anti-beta Galactosidase antibody (ab9361). P0-adult mice were euthanized and perfused with 4% paraformaldehyde in PBS (PF). Their spinal cords were then post-fixed for 30–60 mins in 4% PF at 4°C (P0) or at room temperature (adult). Spinal cords were rinsed and cryoprotected in 20% sucrose in PBS (4°C) prior to embedding in OCT (Tissue-Tek). Immunostaining of frozen spinal sections was performed by incubating 20 μ m thick sections with primary antibodies, which were then detected using species-specific secondary antibodies conjugated with Cy2, Cy3 and Cy5 or FITC. ab9361 was used at 1:1000. Immunohistochemistry (Formalin/PFA-fixed paraffin-embedded sections) - Anti-beta Galactosidase antibody (ab9361). ab9361 staining beta Galactosidase in mouse e13 stomach and liver tissue sections by Immunohistochemistry (IHC-P - paraformaldehyde-fixed, paraffin-embedded sections). Tissue was fixed with Davidson's fixative, permeabilized with 0.5% Triton-X 100 and blocked with 10% serum for 30 minutes at 22°C; antigen retrieval was by heat mediation in a citrate buffer. Samples were incubated with primary antibody (1/500 in TBST + 10% goat serum) for 16 hours at 4°C. A Biotin-conjugated goat anti-chicken IgY polyclonal (1/500) was used as the secondary antibody. Refs: 1. Marneros AG Magnesium and Calcium Homeostasis Depend on KCTD1 Function in the Distal Nephron. Cell Rep 34:108616 (2021). 2. Lowenstein ED et al. Olig3 regulates early cerebellar development. Elife 10:N/A (2021).

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The RELN antibody: species reactivity for mouse as per the manufacturer, https://www.merckmillipore.com/FR/fr/product/Anti-Reelin-Antibody-a.a.-164-496-mreelin-clone-G10,MM_NF-MAB5364?ReferrerURL=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.google.com%2F. Detect Reelin using this Anti-Reelin Antibody, a.a. 164-496 mreelin, clone G10 validated for use in IH & WB. Mouse anti-Reelin (Catalog Number MAB5364) staining of embryonic cerebral cortex at 15 days in utero, with the pial surface above and the ventricle below. The positive zone is the Cajal-Retzius cell layer in the marginal zone, positive for reelin using MAB5364. Mouse anti-Reelin (Catalog Number MAB5364). Refs: 1. Sharaf, A; Rahhal, B; Spittau, B; Roussa, E. Localization of reelin signaling pathway components in murine midbrain and striatum. Cell and tissue research 359 393-407 (2015). 2. Trotter, JH; Lussier, AL; Psilos, KE; Mahoney, HL; Sponaugle, AE; Hoe, HS; Rebeck, GW; Weeber, EJ. Extracellular proteolysis of reelin by tissue plasminogen activator following synaptic potentiation. Neuroscience 274 299-307 (2014).

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Laboratory animals

Δ Np73CreIRESGFP(Δ Np73Cre) (Tissir et al., 2009) and TauloxP-stop-loxP-MARCKSeGFP-IRES-nlslacZ (TauGFP) (Hippenmeyer et al., 2005) and ROSA26 loxP-stop-loxP-Tomato (R26Tom) (Madisen et al., 2010) transgenic mice were kept in a C57BL/6J background. The Baxtm2Sjk;Bak1tm1Thsn/J line (Takeuchi et al., 2005) harboring the floxed Bax and the Bak knock-out alleles was purchased from the Jackson laboratory as mixed B6;129. Experiments were performed in both males and females aged juvenile (3-5 postnatal weeks), young adult (6-9 postnatal weeks) and adult mice (>3 months-old). All animals were handled in strict accordance with good animal practice as defined by the national animal welfare bodies at a temperature of 20°C and humidity of 50%. The Δ Np73Cre line was crossed with the Baxtm2Sjk;Bak1tm1Thsn/J line (Baxlox/lox) to inactivate Bax function in specific CR subtypes and with the TauGFP and R26Tom reporter lines to permanently label CR subtypes. For histological analysis Δ Np73Cre^{+/-};Baxlox/+ animals were used as controls, while for behavioural and electrophysiological analysis Δ Np73Cre^{+/-};Baxlox/lox were used as control littermates. Δ Np73Cre^{+/-};Baxlox/lox animals (BaxCKO) were used as mutants all along the study.

Wild animals

The study did not use wild animals.

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Experiments were performed in both males and females. For behavioural tests results on males and females were independently performed and reported.

Field-collected samples

The study did not involve field-collected samples.

Ethics oversight

For experiments at Paris, all animals were handled in strict accordance with good animal practice as defined by the national animal welfare bodies, and all mouse work was approved by the French Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation as well as the Animal Experimentation Ethical Committee of Paris Descartes University (CEEA-34, licence numbers: 18011-201801261202754 N° 2018121415089383 – V8 APAFIS # 23831). For in vivo experiments in Madrid, all protocols and procedures were performed according to the Spanish legislation (R.D. 1201/2005 and L.32/2007) and the European Communities Council Directive 2003 (2003/65/CE) for animal research. Experiments were approved by the Ethics Committee of the Instituto Cajal and the Spanish Research Council (PROEX162-19).

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