Supporting Information

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Fig. S1. Cortico–LA LTP is associated with a persistent decrease in the paired-pulse ratio (PPR) (n = 11). (Scale bars: 50 pA and 10 ms.)



Fig. S2. After LTP induction, bath application of the use-dependent NMDA receptor antagonist MK-801 (40 μ M; n = 3) results in a faster decay of NMDA receptor-mediated EPSCs compared with naïve slices (n = 4).

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Fig. S3. Variance-mean analysis before and after induction of LTP_{HA} confirms that LTP expression involves an increase in *P*. Averaged EPSC variances obtained from the same cells before (at 2.5 mM external Ca²⁺; gray symbol) and after LTP induction (at 1, 2.5, and 4 mM external Ca²⁺; red symbols) fall on a same parabola, revealing an increase in *P* after LTP induction ($P_{baseline - 2.5 \text{ mM Ca}^{2+} = 0.38 \pm 0.04$; $P_{LTP - 2.5 \text{ mM Ca}^{2+} = 0.53 \pm 0.05$; $P_{LTP - 1 \text{ mM Ca}^{2+} = 0.08 \pm 0.02$; $P_{LTP - 4 \text{ mM Ca}^{2+} = 0.70 \pm 0.03$; n = 6; P < 0.05 for all conditions). Error bars, ±SEM.

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Fig. S4. Presynaptic LTP does not involve increased multivesicular release. (A) Time course of an example experiment illustrating γ -DGG-mediated inhibition of synaptic transmission before and after induction of LTP (pairing). Depicted traces were taken at the time points indicated by the numbers. (Scale bars: 50 pA and 5 ms.) (B) There is no difference in the fractional block of synaptic transmission induced by γ -DGG (2.5 mM) before and after LTP induction (n = 8). Error bars, \pm SEM.



Fig. S5. Persistent enhancement of synaptic transmission by transient FSK application. Time course of synaptic transmission before and after a 10-min pulse application of FSK (50 μ M) reveals a potentiation of synaptic transmission that persists during washout of FSK (n = 9). Error bars, \pm SEM.

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Fig. S6. Homosynaptic LTP depends on presynaptic cAMP/PKA signaling. (A) Forskolin (50 μ M) application leads to an increase in synaptic transmission associated with a decreased PPR (n = 6; P < 0.05). (Scale bars: 4 mV/40 ms.) (B) Forskolin application occludes further induction of homosynaptic LTP (n = 6). (Scale bars: 4 mV/20 ms.) (C) Blockade of homosynaptic LTP by the nonhydrolyzable cAMP analog Rp-cAMPS (100 μ M; n = 7). Postsynaptic perfusion with the membrane-impermeant form Rp-8-OH-cAMPS (4 mM) does not interfere with LTP induction (n = 6; P < 0.05). (D) LTP induction is blocked in the presence of the PKA antagonist KT5720 (2 μ M, n = 8; Tocris Bioscience). (Scale bars: 4 mV/20 ms.) All experiments were performed in the presence of the selective GABA_B receptor antagonist CGP55845A (10 μ M; Novartis). Error bars, ±SEM.



Fig. 57. Pairing pre- and postsynaptic activity induces postsynaptic cortico–LA LTP in $RIM1\alpha^{-/-}$ mice. LTP was induced by pairing brief bursts of presynaptic stimulation (3 stimuli at 30 Hz) with postsynaptic depolarization to about -20 mV (repeated five times at 15-s intervals). (*Top*) Pairing-induced cortico–LA LTP is reduced in $RIM1\alpha^{-/-}$ mice compared with wild-type littermates (WT: 154.6 ± 11.2% of baseline, n = 8, P < 0.01 vs. baseline; $RIM1\alpha^{-/-}$: 131.8 ± 9.2% of baseline, n = 4, P < 0.05 vs. baseline). (*Middle*) In wild-type littermates, pairing-induced cortico–LA LTP is associated with a persistent decrease in PPR (78.7 ± 6.3% of baseline, n = 8, P < 0.05). (*Bottom*) In $RIM1\alpha^{-/-}$ mice, pairing-induced cortico–LA LTP does not alter PPR (104.9 ± 3.6% of baseline, n = 4, not significant). Error bars, ±SEM.