



Supplementary information S1 (Figure) | **Se uence alignment of stromal interaction molecule1 STIM1 and STIM2.** Identity (red), similarity (blue) or differences (black and grey) between STIM1 and STIM2 are shown. Major structural features are also described and as shown in Fig. 1a. Note: the existence of an extended signal peptide in STIM2 is based on recent findings¹ that disproved earlier suggestions of an alternative translational start site (TTG; L86) for STIM2 (REF. 2). Based on this new evidence, STIM2 has been renumbered to start at its originally predicted Kozak sequence (Accession AAI71766.1). The three α-helices of the first coiled-coil domain (CC1) are predicted based on sequence analysis using JPred3 (REF. 3). The third of these helices (inhibitory helix) is supported by homology with the recently solved *C. elegans* structure⁴. cEF, canonical EF-hand hEF, hidden EF-hand ID, inhibitory domain SOAR, STIM Orai activating region.

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