

## Supporting Information

### Text S1 Model equations

The basic neural column described in Methods is given by the following set of equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\tau_e \dot{V}_e &= -I_L - I_{AMPA}(s_{ee}) - I_{GABA}(s_{ie}) - \tau_e C_m^{-1} I_{KNA}, \\ \tau_i \dot{V}_i &= -I_L - I_{AMPA}(s_{ei}) - I_{GABA}(s_{ii}), \\ \ddot{s}_{ee} &= \gamma_e^2 (N_{ee} Q_e(V_e) + \phi_n - s_{ee}) - 2\gamma_e \dot{s}_{ee}, \\ \ddot{s}_{ie} &= \gamma_i^2 (N_{ie} Q_i(V_i) - s_{ie}) - 2\gamma_i \dot{s}_{ie}, \\ \ddot{s}_{ei} &= \gamma_e^2 (N_{ei} Q_e(V_e) + \phi'_n - s_{ei}) - 2\gamma_e \dot{s}_{ei}, \\ \ddot{s}_{ii} &= \gamma_i^2 (N_{ii} Q_i(V_i) - s_{ii}) - 2\gamma_i \dot{s}_{ii}, \\ [\dot{\text{Na}}] &= (\alpha_{\text{Na}} Q_e(V_e) - \text{Na}_{\text{pump}}([\text{Na}])) / \tau_{\text{Na}}.\end{aligned}$$

The currents are given by the following equations:

$$\begin{aligned}I_L &= g_L(V_k - E_L), \\ I_{AMPA} &= g_{AMPA} s_{ek} (V_k - E_{AMPA}), \\ I_{GABA} &= g_{GABA} s_{ik} (V_k - E_{GABA}), \\ I_{KNA} &= g_{KNA} \frac{0.37}{1 + \left(\frac{38.7}{[\text{Na}]}\right)^{3.5}} (V_e - E_K).\end{aligned}$$

The sodium pump is described by:

$$\text{Na}_{\text{pump}}([\text{Na}]) = R_{\text{pump}} \left( \frac{[\text{Na}]^3}{[\text{Na}]^3 + 3375} - \frac{[\text{Na}]_{eq}^3}{[\text{Na}]_{eq}^3 + 3375} \right).$$