# Determination of dendritic spine morphology by the striatin scaffold protein STRN4 through interaction with the phosphatase PP2A

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## **Supplementary Information**

Additional analyses of dendritic spine morphology were performed using different cut-off ratios of head diameter to neck diameter (H/N) and length to neck diameter (L/N) for defining mushroom spines and thin spines (see Fig. S1, S3, S4 and S5). Example of images acquired by confocal microscopy and Super-resolution Structured Illumination Microscopy (SR-SIM) to illustrate the higher resolution of SR-SIM to resolve the fine structure of dendritic spine (see Fig. S2).



## Figure S1. Effect of APV on spine morphology

Data from Fig 3*A* were analyzed using different head diameter to neck diameter (H/N) ratio and length to neck diameter (L/N) ratio. *A*, Mushroom spine was defined as the ratio of H/N  $\ge$ 1.7; thin spine had the ratio of 1 $\le$  H/N <1.7 and 1.7 $\le$  L/N $\le$  3. *B*, Mushroom spine was defined as the ratio of H/N  $\ge$ 1.7; thin spine had the ratio of 1 $\le$  H/N <1.7 and 2.5 L/N $\le$  3. *B*, Mushroom spine was defined as the ratio of H/N  $\ge$  2; thin spine had the ratio of 1 $\le$  H/N <2 and 2 $\le$  L/N $\le$  3. Filopodia and stubby spine were defined using the same ratios as in Fig. 3*A*. Results were pooled from two experiments; 35 dendrites from 17 neurons were quantified for each condition. Data are mean  $\pm$  SEM; \*p<0.05; \*\*\*p<0.001; \*\*\*\*p<0.0001; Student's *t*-test.

## Figure S2



Figure S2. Super-resolution SIM imaging reveals the structure of dendritic spines more clearly. The same dendritic segment of a neuron expressing GFP was imaged by confocal microscopy (A) and Super-resolution SIM (B), respectively. Spine necks that appeared indistinct in the confocal image (arrowheads) were better visualized by SIM. Scale bar:  $1 \mu m$ .



## Figure S3. Effect of STRN4 knockdown on spine morphology

Data from Fig 5*B* were analyzed using different head diameter to neck diameter (H/N) ratio and length to neck diameter (L/N) ratio. *A*, Mushroom spine was defined as the ratio of H/N  $\ge 1.7$ ; thin spine had the ratio of 1 $\le$  H/N <1.7 and 1.7 $\le$  L/N $\le$  3. *B*, Mushroom spine was defined as the ratio of H/N  $\ge 1.2$ ; thin spine had the ratio of 1 $\le$  H/N <2 and 2 $\le$  L/N $\le$  3. Filopodia and stubby spine were defined using the same ratios as in main text (15-16 dendrites from 6 neurons were quantified for each condition; mean  $\pm$  SEM; \*\*\*p<0.001, Student's *t*-test).



## Figure S4. Effect of PP2A inhibition on spine morphology.

Data from Fig 6*B* were analyzed using different head diameter to neck diameter (H/N) ratio and length to neck diameter (L/N) ratio. *A*, Mushroom spine was defined as the ratio of H/N  $\ge$ 1.7; thin spine had the ratio of 1 $\le$  H/N <1.7 and 1.7 $\le$  L/N $\le$  3. *B*, Mushroom spine was defined as the ratio of H/N  $\ge$  2; thin spine had the ratio of 1 $\le$  H/N <2 and 2 $\le$  L/N $\le$  3. Filopodia and stubby spine were defined using the same ratios as in main text. 15 dendrites from 9 neurons in each group were quantified. Data are mean  $\pm$  SEM; \*p<0.05, Student's *t*-test.



## Figure S5. STRN4 regulates spine morphology through interaction with PP2A.

Data from Fig 7*B* were analyzed using different head diameter to neck diameter (H/N) ratio and length to neck diameter (L/N) ratio. *A*, Mushroom spine was defined as the ratio of H/N  $\ge$ 1.7; thin spine had the ratio of 1 $\le$  H/N <1.7 and 1.7 $\le$  L/N $\le$  3. *B*, Mushroom spine was defined as the ratio of H/N  $\ge$ 1.7; thin spine had the ratio of 1 $\le$  H/N <1.7 and 2 $\le$  L/N $\le$  3. *B*, Mushroom spine was defined as the ratio of H/N  $\ge$  2; thin spine had the ratio of 1 $\le$  H/N <2 and 2 $\le$  L/N $\le$  3. Filopodia and stubby spine were defined using the same ratios as in main text. Results were pooled from three independent experiments (71-79 dendrites in total from 33-39 neurons in each group). Data are mean  $\pm$  SEM; \*p<0.05; \*\*p<0.01; \*\*\*\*p<0.0001; One-way ANOVA, Tukey's multiple comparisons test.