If you have a situation that you consider falls in a grey zone/area, give the benefit of the doubt to the authors.

If you don't think it is possible to answer a question because something is not clear, mark that question with '???' to discuss at group review.

Q1	Are <b>all</b> written measures that summarize data variability defined?
Q2	Are <b>any</b> written measures that summarize data variability defined as SEM?
Q3	When null-hypothesis testing is used, are p-values for <b>all</b> primary analyses, main effects and interactions reported or implied?
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### 1 Are *all* written measures that summarize data variability defined?

### DEFINITIONS

Measures that summarize data variability.

These include the standard deviation (SD), the standard error of the mean (SEM), 95% CI, the interguartile or similar range (IQR) and the range.

### **SCOPE**

Numerical values reported in the main text of the article, tables or figure legends.

When authors report that 'All measures/results' or 'Measures/results' are reported as mean±SEM, mean±SD, median [IQR], etc., consider this to apply to all written measures that summarize data variability.

### **POSSIBLE ANSWERS**

### NΑ

No such measures are reported.

### 0 or no

Such measures are reported, but the type of at least one cannot be determined.

### 1 or yes

Such measures are reported and the type of all measures can be determined.

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"Their mean age was 27.3 (4.5)."

"The cats weighed 1.6±0.4 kg (mean | "The cats weighed 1.6±0.4 kg (mean ±SEM), and the amount of food they ate varied considerably (100 g/day [50-375])."

"Their mean age was 32±4. Stimulus intensity was adjusted for each intensity was adjusted for each subjects (1.3±0.4mA) before the start of the next trial. [...] The effect of brain stimulation on hot dog cravings is reported as mean ± SEM."

"Figure 3. Response rate. There was a marked increase in the response rate of blue turtles (a). This may reflect their slow cervical reflex may reflect their slow cervical reflex (23.4±4.8 ms)."

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GROUP	IQ SCORES	\
treatment	98 (5)	
control	106 (7)	
placebo	94 (4)	_

### 1 (yes)

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### TABLE 1.

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\* values are mean (SD)

### 2 Are *any* written measures that summarize data variability defined as SEM?

### **DEFINITIONS**

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### **SCOPE**

Numerical values reported in the main text of the article, tables or figure legends.

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### NA

No such measures are reported, or measures are not defined.

### 0 or no

No.

### 1 or yes

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0 (no)	1 (yes)		
"Their mean age was 27.3 (4.5)."	"Their mean age was 27.3 (4.5), mean (SEM)."		
"The cats weighed 1.6±0.4 kg (mean ±SD), and the amount of food they ate varied considerably (100 g/day [50-375]; median [range])."	"The cats weighed 1.6±0.4 kg (mean ±SEM), and the amount of food they ate varied considerably (100 g/day [50-375]; median [range])."		
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# Q3 When null-hypothesis testing is used, are p-values for **all** primary analyses, main effects and interactions reported or implied?

### **DEFINITIONS**

**Main effects and interactions.** Results of ANOVA-type statistical tests.

**Primary analyses.** Statistical tests that are **not** post-hoc tests of an ANOVA-type analysis. Examples include t-tests, Chi-square tests, Pearson's product-momment correlations, regression-type analyses. If several t-tests are performed when an ANOVA would be more appropriate, these t-tests will be considered as primary analyses.

**Implied.** For example "There was no main effect of group" or "The was no age difference between groups" or "The group by time interaction was non-significant". Simply stating ANOVA before reporting post-hoc results does **NOT** count.

### SCOPE

Reported or implied p-values may be located in the main text of the paper, tables or figures.

### POSSIBLE ANSWERS

### NA

The paper does not include primary analyses, main effects or interactions.

### 0 or no

The paper includes primary analyses, main effects or interactions, but at least one of these does not have a reported or implied p-value.

### 1 or yes

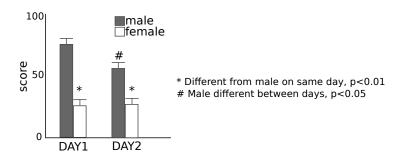
The paper includes primary analyses, main effects or interactions, and all of these have reported or implied p-values.

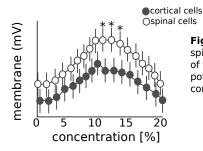
# Q3 When null-hypothesis testing is used, are p-values for **all** primary analyses, main effects and interactions reported or implied?

### 0 (no)

"The cells were inhibited by the DOWN-receptor at time-point 2, 3 and 6 (Dunnett post-hoc test, p<0.05)."

"The cells were inhibited by the DOWN-receptor at time-point 2, 3 and 6 (ANOVA, Dunnett post-hoc test, p<0.05)."



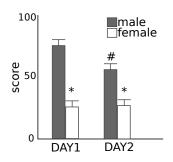


**Figure 3.** Plotted are the results for cortical and spinal cells when exposted to different concentration of factor #452-Zion. As can be seen, the membrane potential of spinal cells was significantly less when the concentration was 11, 12 and 13 % (\* p<0.05).

### 1 (yes)

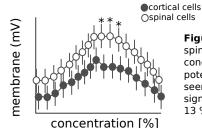
"The DOWN-receptor had a **significant** impact on cell excitability, causing significant inhibited at time-points 2, 3 and 6 (Dunnett post-hoc test, p<0.05)." (**implied**)

"The DOWN-receptor had a significant impact on cell excitability (F(42,2)=22.4, p=0.012), causing significant inhibited at timepoints 2, 3 and 6 (Dunnett post-hoc test, p<0.05)." (**reported**)



 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{main effect of gender:} & F_{(66,1)} = 42.5, \, p < 0.001 \\ \text{main effect of day:} & F_{(2,1)} = 24.8, \, p = 0.024 \\ \text{gender by day interaction:} & F_{(30,4)} = 19.0, \, p = 0.016 \end{array}$ 

- \* Different from male on same day, p<0.01
- # Male different between days, p<0.05



**Figure 3.** Plotted are the results for cortical and spinal cells showing the significant effect of different concentration of factor #452-Zion on membrane potential excitability ( $F_{(128,21)}$ =54.2, p=0.003). As can be seen, the membrane potential of spinal cells was significantly less when the concentration was 11, 12 and 13 % (Bonferonni post-hoc \* p<0.05).

Q4 When null-hypothesis testing is used, are reported or implied p-values exact for **all** primary analyses, main effects and interactions?

### **DEFINITIONS**

**Main effects and interactions.** Results of ANOVA-type statistical tests.

**Primary analyses.** Statistical tests that are **not** post-hoc tests of an ANOVA-type analysis. Examples include t-tests, Chi-square tests, Pearson's product-momment correlations, regression-type analyses. If several t-tests are performed when an ANOVA would be more appropriate, these t-tests will be considered as primary analyses.

**Implied.** For example "There was no main effect of *group*" or "The was no age difference between groups" or "The *group* by *time* interaction was non-significant".

**exact.** Refers to p = 0.xxx (e.g., p=0.012, p=0.564, p=0.002) and p<0.001.

### **SCOPE**

Reported or implied p-values may be located in the main text of the paper, tables or figures.

### **POSSIBLE ANSWERS**

### NA

The paper does not report primary analyses, main effects or interactions.

0 or no

No.

1 or yes

# Q4 When null-hypothesis testing is used, are reported or implied p-values exact for **all** primary analyses, main effects and interactions?

### 0 (no)

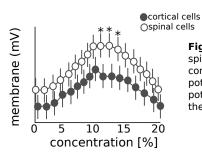
"The DOWN-receptor had a significant impact on cell excitability, causing significant inhibition at time-points 2, 3 and 6 (Dunnett post-hoc test, p<0.05)."

"The DOWN-receptor had a significant impact on cell excitability (p<0.05), causing significant inhibited at time-points 2, 3 and 6 (Dunnett post-hoc test, p<0.05)."

"The ANOVA revealed a main effect of time (P<0.05) and a main effect of group (p<0.01), but no time by group interaction (p>0.05)."

"The ANOVA revealed a main effect of time (P=0.012), but there was no main effect of group or time by group interaction."

"The subjects weight was significantly correlated with age (r=0.12), income (r=0.09) and foot length (r=0.56). The other correlation were not significant."



**Figure 3.** Plotted are the results for cortical and spinal cells showing the significant effect of different concentration of factor #452-Zion on membrane potential excitability. As can be seen, the membrane potential of spinal cells was significantly less when the concentration was 11. 12 and 13 % (\* p<0.05).

### 1 (yes)

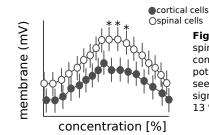
"The DOWN-receptor had a significant impact on cell excitability (F(42,2) = 22.4, p=0.012), causing significant inhibition at time-points 2, 3 and 6 (Dunnett post-hoc test, p<0.05)."

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"The ANOVA revealed a main effect of time (P=0.012) and a main effect of group (p<0.001), but no time by group interaction (p=0.545)."

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"The subjects weight was significantly correlated with age (r=0.12, p=0.012), income (r=0.09, p=0.0258) and foot length (r=0.56, p<0.001). However, weight was not correlated with IQ (r=0.16, p=0.556) or perceived index finger length (r=0.01, p=0.06)"



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### **5** If ANOVA-type analyses are used, are **all** reported or implied post-hoc p-values exact?

### **DEFINITIONS**

**Implied.** For example "Values at 10 and 15 min were significantly different from baseline".

**exact.** Refers to p = 0.xxx (e.g., p=0.012, p=0.564, p=0.002) and p<0.001.

### **SCOPE**

Reported or implied post-hoc pvalues may be located in the main text of the paper, tables or figures.

### **POSSIBLE ANSWERS**

### NA

The paper does not report or imply any post-hoc comparisons.

### 0 or no

No.

### 1 or yes

Yes.

### 0 (no)

"The DOWN-receptor caused a significant inhibition at time-points 2, 3 and 6 (p<0.05)."

"Post-hoc comparison revealed a significant reduction in membrane potential at the two highest stimulus intensities."

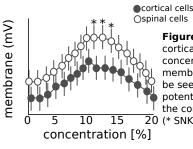
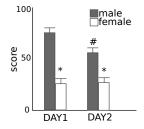


Figure 3. Plotted are the results for cortical and spinal cells for different concentration of factor #452-Zion on membrane potential excitability. As can be seen, spinal cell membrane potentials were significantly less when the concentration was 11, 12 and 13% 20 (\* SNK post-hoc, p<0.05).



\* Different from males on same day, p<0.01 # Male different between days, p<0.05

### 1 (yes)

"The DOWN-receptor caused a significant inhibition at time-points 2, 3 and 6 (p<0.001)."

"The DOWN-receptor caused a significant inhibition at time-points 2 (p=0.021), 3 (p=0.004) and 6 (p = 0.019)."

"Post-hoc comparison revealed a significant reduction in membrane potential at 2mA (p=0.038) and 5mA (p<0.001)."

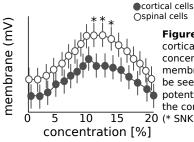
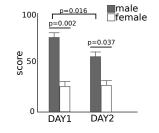
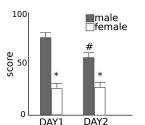


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\* Different from males on same day, p<0.001 # Male different between days, p=0.042

### Q6 Are *all* plotted measures that summarize variability defined?

### **DEFINITIONS**

Measures that summarize data variability. These include the standard deviation (SD), the standard error of the mean (SEM), 95% CI, the interquartile or similar range (IQR) and the range.

### **SCOPE**

Figures that are included are those that visually summarize data variability, whether it be for multiple samples from a single subject, or data from multiple subjects.

### **POSSIBLE ANSWERS**

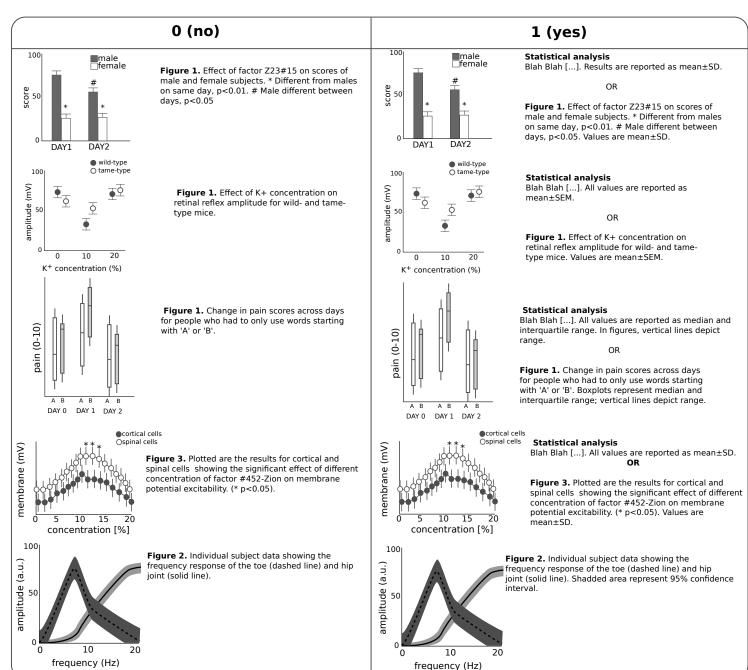
### NA

The paper does not contain such figures.

### 0 or no

No.

### 1 or yes



### 7 Are *any* plotted measures that summarize variability defined as SEM?

### **DEFINITIONS**

Measures that summarize data variability. These include the standard deviation (SD), the standard error of the mean (SEM), 95% CI, the interquartile or similar range (IOR) and the range.

### **SCOPE**

Figures that are included are those that visually summarize **data variabilty**, whether it be for multiple samples from a single subject, or data from multiple subjects. **Do not** consider figures without measures that summarize variability.

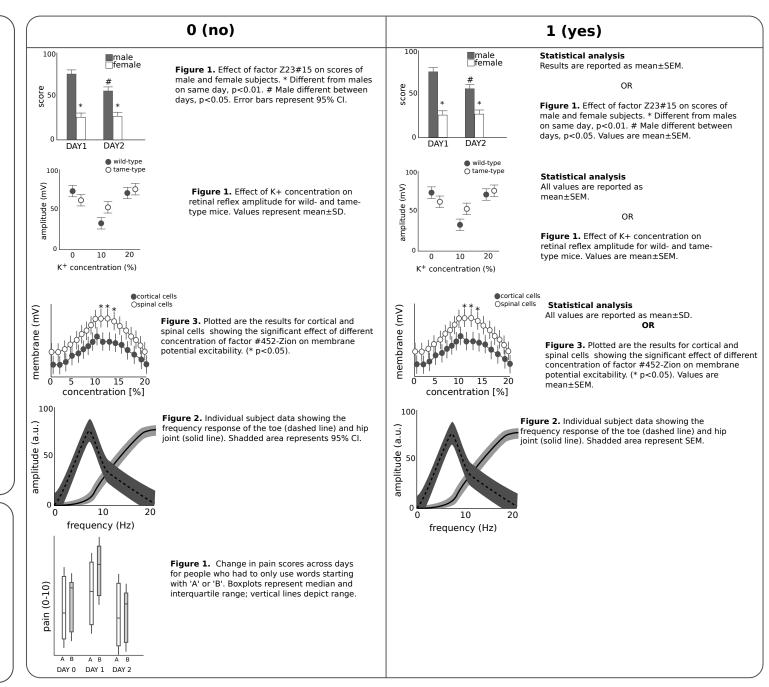
### POSSIBLE ANSWERS

The paper does not contain such figures.

0 or no

No.

1 or yes



# **Q8** For **all** figures that plot measures that summarize data/variability, are the raw data used to calculate the variability plotted?

### **DEFINITIONS**

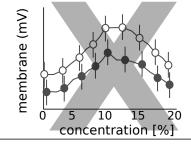
**Measures that summarize data variability.** These include the standard deviation (SD), the standard error of the mean (SEM), 95% CI, the interquartile or similar range (IQR) and the range.

### **SCOPE**

Figures that that are included are those that visually summarize data variabilty, whether it be for multiple samples from a single subject, or data from multiple subjects.

Figures that connect sequential values with a line are not to be

considered.



### **POSSIBLE ANSWERS**

### NA

The paper does contain such figures.

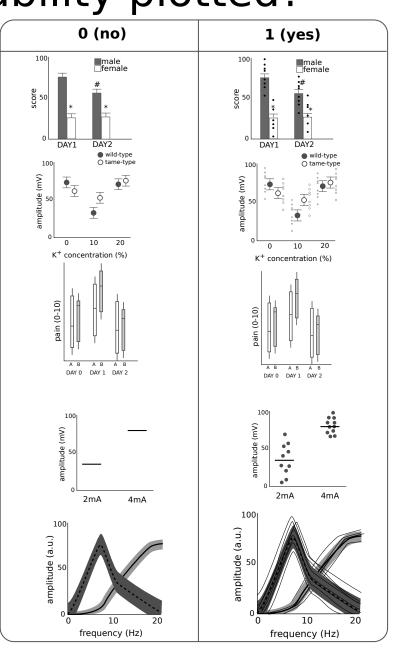
K<sup>+</sup> concentration (%)

amplitude (mV)

### 0 or no

No.

### 1 or yes



### Q9 Does the paper report **any** exact p-values that are between 0.05-0.1?

### **SCOPE**

This relates to exact p-values (p=0.1; p=0.0742) reported in the main text of the article, tables and figures.

### **POSSIBLE ANSWERS**

NΑ

The paper does not report p-values.

0 or no

No.

1 or yes

Yes.

## Q10Are *any* of the exact p-values that are between 0.05-0.1 interpreted as trends or statistically significant?

### SCOPE

This relates to exact p-values (p=0.0742) reported in the main text of the article, tables and figures. !! If there is spin, consider copying the relevant text in the Comment section.

### **POSSIBLE ANSWERS**

NA

The paper does not report exact p-values between 0.05-0.1.

0 or no

No.

1 or yes

0 (no)	1 (yes)
"The effect of heat was not significant (p=0.062)."	"There was a trend for heat to effect the outcome (p=0.062)."
	"The effect of heat was significant (p=0.062)."