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Experimental design

1. Sample size

   Describe how sample size was determined.

   No sample-size calculations were performed. The sample size was based on prior publications using similar calcium imaging techniques.

2. Data exclusions

   Describe any data exclusions.

   No data were excluded from analysis.

3. Replication

   Describe whether the experimental findings were reliably reproduced.

   Figure 1 -- These findings were replicated several times using different groups of animals.

   Figure 2 -- These experiments were conducted and replicated in two groups of mice.

   Figure 3 -- The data is from one trial; we conducted a second trial in a small group (3) of mice and replicated the findings.

   Figures 4-6 -- The studies were first conducted in 2-3 pilot animals (each study), for which the data is not included. The included data is from studies conducted in single groups of mice.

4. Randomization

   Describe how samples/organisms/participants were allocated into experimental groups.

   Mice from each litter were randomly assigned into treatment groups.

5. Blinding

   Describe whether the investigators were blinded to group allocation during data collection and/or analysis.

   Experimenter was not blinded from calcium imaging studies and analysis. The TetTox behavioral experiments and analysis (Fig 2c-f, 4e, 6c-d, 6g-h) were conducted blindly.

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6. Statistical parameters

For all figures and tables that use statistical methods, confirm that the following items are present in relevant figure legends (or in the Methods section if additional space is needed).

n/a	Confirmed
☐	☒ The exact sample size (*n*) for each experimental group/condition, given as a discrete number and unit of measurement (animals, litters, cultures, etc.)
☐	☒ A description of how samples were collected, noting whether measurements were taken from distinct samples or whether the same sample was measured repeatedly
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☐	☒ The test results (e.g. *P* values) given as exact values whenever possible and with confidence intervals noted
☐	☒ A clear description of statistics including central tendency (e.g. median, mean) and variation (e.g. standard deviation, interquartile range)
☐	☒ Clearly defined error bars

See the web collection on statistics for biologists for further resources and guidance.

Software

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7. Software

Describe the software used to analyze the data in this study.	Data was acquired with nVista HD(Inscopix, v2.0.0) and Ethovision (Noldus, XT10). Mosaic (Inscopix, v1.2) and CNMF-E (Zhou et al 2016) were used for processing and analyzing calcium imaging data. Statistical analysis was conducted with OriginPro (OriginLab, 2016).

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Materials and reagents

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8. Materials availability

Indicate whether there are restrictions on availability of unique materials or if these materials are only available for distribution by a for-profit company.	No unique materials were used.

9. Antibodies

Describe the antibodies used and how they were validated for use in the system under study (i.e. assay and species).	No antibodies were used.

10. Eukaryotic cell lines

a. State the source of each eukaryotic cell line used.	No cell lines were used.
b. Describe the method of cell line authentication used.	No cell lines were used.
c. Report whether the cell lines were tested for mycoplasma contamination.	No cell lines were used.
d. If any of the cell lines used are listed in the database of commonly misidentified cell lines maintained by ICLAC, provide a scientific rationale for their use.	No cell lines were used.

Animals and human research participants

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11. Description of research animals

Provide details on animals and/or animal-derived materials used in the study.	Heterozygous CalcaCre/+ mice and OxtrCre/+ mice (C57Bl/6 background, male, 3-6 months of age) were generated and maintained as described (Ryan et al, 2017; Carter et al, 2013).

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12. Description of human research participants

Describe the covariate-relevant population characteristics of the human research participants.	Study did not involve human research.