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No power analysis was used. We decided to have 9 mice for the experiment to ensure that the effects reported in the manuscript were present in most animals. We recorded MEC neurons from 9 mice. 944 neurons were analyzed. The statistical units throughout the manuscript were neurons. For most statistical comparisons, we used non-parametric test including bootstrap tests to increase power.

None of the major conclusions of the manuscript was based on negative results (failing to find a statistical difference).

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We recorded MEC neurons from 9 mice.

No data points were excluded from the analysis.

This information can be found in the Results section (line 100).

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For most statistical analysis, we used non-parametric tests that do not rely on assumptions about the shape of the distributions.

When statistical tests were reported, we gave the name of the test, the value of the test statistic and the exact values of n and p.

For important tests, we showed the distribution of the raw data points (Figures 4c-d, 5b, 6e, 7b, 8e), a boxplot (median, 1st and 3rd quartiles; Figures Figure 1-figure supplement 2f-g, Figure 3c, Figure 3f, Figure 4c-d, Figure5b, Figure6e) or the raw data points (Figure 1f).

The statistical tests used were reported on lines 134, 160, 162, 164, 173, 176, 179, 191, 193, 208, 210, 236, 238, 254, 258, 270, 279, 324, 326, 349, 351, 357, 366, 369, 381, 383, 400, 413, 416.

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The electrophysiological data have been uploaded to the Dryad database. The source code for the analysis is on GitHub.