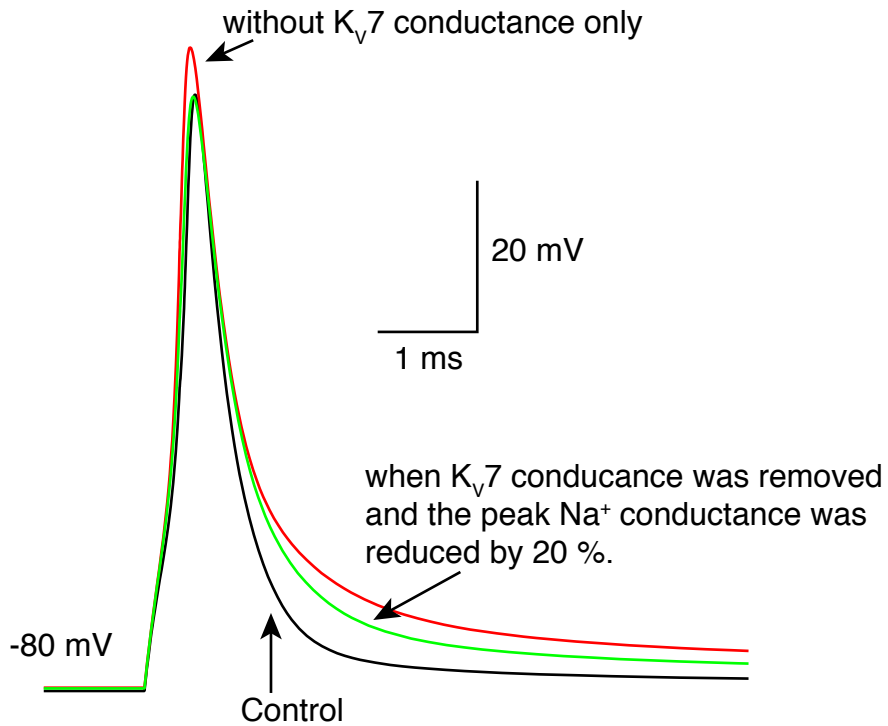


## Supplementary Figure 1



**Supplementary Fig 1:** A simulated single action potential elicited with a 30 pA, 0.35 ms current injection under control conditions (black) and when the  $K_v7$  conductance was removed (red). The action potential amplitude when the  $K_v7$  conductance was removed was enhanced and this could be restored to control conditions by reducing the peak  $Na^+$  conductance by 20 % as illustrated in green.

**Supplementary Table 1.**

	ADP Amplitude (mV)		ADP decay time constant (ms)	
	1 <sup>st</sup> AP	20 <sup>th</sup> AP	1 <sup>st</sup> AP	20 <sup>th</sup> AP
Control 1 Hz	6.49 ± 1.03 (n=8)	6.72 ± 0.93 (n=8)	66.43 ± 6.54 (n=7)	67.71 ± 5.92 (n=7)
+XE991 1 Hz	10.44 ± 1.18* (n=8)	10.18 ± 0.96* (n=8)	115.43 ± 10.75* (n=7)	112.86 ± 9.03* (n=7)
Control 1 Hz	9.90 ± 1.30 (n=4)	9.33 ± 1.79 (n=4)	51.49 ± 15.14 (n=3)	44.64 ± 9.99 (n=4)
+Linopirdine 1 Hz	15.42 ± 2.11* (n=4)	17.73 ± 3.75* (n=4)	69.50 ± 17.53* (n=4)	68.03 ± 18.57* (n=4)
Control 5 Hz	6.52 ± 0.83 (n=8)	6.37 ± 0.84 (n=8)	58.14 ± 6.31 (n=7)	55.14 ± 5.57 (n=7)
+XE991 5 Hz	9.79 ± 1.09* (n=8)	9.18 ± 1.13* (n=8)	107.43 ± 9.52* (n=7)	105.00 ± 9.05* (n=7)
Control 5 Hz	9.84 ± 1.03 (n=4)	12.58 ± 1.28 (n=4)	28.77 ± 8.24 (n=4)	38.72 ± 12.96 (n=4)
+Linopirdine 5 Hz	19.69 ± 2.25* (n=4)	20.56 ± 2.35* (n=4)	61.92 ± 20.62* (n=4)	60.24 ± 17.39* (n=4)
BAPTA 1 Hz	1.57 ± 1.21 (n=11)	1.72 ± 1.44 (n=11)	35.36 ± 21.70 (n=11)	36.64 ± 22.56 (n=11)
+XE991 1 Hz	1.89 ± 2.14 (n=11)	1.94 ± 2.67 (n=11)	32.27 ± 21.34 (n=11)	31.82 ± 21.73 (n=11)
BAPTA 5 Hz	1.88 ± 1.80 (n=11)	1.84 ± 1.78 (n=11)	35.73 ± 25.19 (n=11)	37.09 ± 25.50 (n=11)
+XE991 5 Hz	1.74 ± 1.71 (n=11)	1.94 ± 1.87 (n=11)	31.27 ± 24.31 (n=11)	31.64 ± 25.60 (n=11)
Control 1 Hz	9.72 ± 0.66 (n=6)	10.14 ± 0.82 (n=6)	98.17 ± 20.54 (n=6)	111.00 ± 22.44 (n=6)
+XE991 and N/P/Q Ca <sup>2+</sup> channel inhibitors 1 Hz	3.85 ± 0.62* (n=6)	3.92 ± 0.70* (n=6)	45.67 ± 6.20* (n=6)	43.00 ± 3.94* (n=6)
Control 5 Hz	10.26 ± 0.75 (n=6)	10.55 ± 1.08 (n=6)	94.67 ± 20.14 (n=6)	114.33 ± 24.02 (n=6)
+XE991 and N/P/Q Ca <sup>2+</sup> channel inhibitors 5 Hz	4.17 ± 0.58* (n=6)	4.10 ± 0.40* (n=6)	47.17 ± 5.82* (n=6)	49.17 ± 6.17* (n=6)

**Supplementary Table 1:** The mean and standard error of mean values for the amplitude and decay time constant of the ADP following either the 1<sup>st</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup> action potential (AP) in train elicited at 1 Hz or 5 Hz under control conditions or when BAPTA (10 mM or 20 mM) was incorporated in the patch pipette and after subsequent application of 3 μM XE991 or 10 μM Linopirdine or 3 μM XE991 together with 100 nM ω-conotoxin GVIA and 100 nM ω-agatoxin IVA. The numbers of observations are shown in parenthesis. Asterisks (\*) indicate significance at p < 0.05 when compared with the appropriate controls.

**Supplementary Table 2.**

	AP Amplitude (mV)		AP Half-width (ms)	
	1 <sup>st</sup> AP	20 <sup>th</sup> AP	1 <sup>st</sup> AP	20 <sup>th</sup> AP
Control 1 Hz (n=8)	65.52 ± 4.18	64.59 ± 3.00	0.85 ± 0.05	0.86 ± 0.05
+XE991 1 Hz (n=8)	57.47 ± 2.92*	58.60 ± 3.89*	1.04 ± 0.10*	1.09 ± 0.10*
Control 1 Hz (n=4)	60.26 ± 2.33	63.21 ± 2.64	1.23 ± 0.13	1.24 ± 0.13
+Linopirdine 1 Hz (n=4)	49.68 ± 0.83*	48.82 ± 1.80*	1.37 ± 0.17*	1.36 ± 0.15*
Control 5 Hz (n=8)	66.31 ± 2.27	61.02 ± 2.35	0.85 ± 0.05	0.97 ± 0.05
+XE991 5 Hz (n=8)	58.17 ± 2.66*	55.73 ± 2.25*	1.07 ± 0.10*	1.18 ± 0.09*
Control 5 Hz (n=4)	60.71 ± 3.60	61.87 ± 3.51	1.24 ± 0.12	1.28 ± 0.13
+Linopirdine 5 Hz (n=4)	50.20 ± 2.19*	46.68 ± 0.98*	1.39 ± 0.15*	1.44 ± 0.17*
Control 20 Hz (n=8)	63.20 ± 2.64	60.10 ± 2.67	0.83 ± 0.05	0.99 ± 0.05
+XE991 20 Hz (n=8)	56.70 ± 1.58*	53.53 ± 2.21*	1.08 ± 0.10*	1.16 ± 0.09*
Control 20 Hz (n=4)	64.37 ± 2.73	61.10 ± 4.36	1.30 ± 0.13	1.39 ± 0.11
+Linopirdine 20 Hz (n=4)	46.72 ± 1.20*	43.69 ± 4.07*	1.46 ± 0.13	1.67 ± 0.17
Control 50 Hz (n=8)	66.87 ± 3.18	55.56 ± 3.22	1.07 ± 0.11	1.13 ± 0.07
+XE991 50 Hz (n=8)	60.01 ± 2.66*	50.57 ± 3.01*	1.26 ± 0.07*	1.50 ± 0.07*
Control 50 Hz (n=4)	60.90 ± 1.59	58.03 ± 2.74	1.29 ± 0.14	1.60 ± 0.16
+Linopirdine 50 Hz (n=4)	46.97 ± 3.87*	42.50 ± 1.75*	1.50 ± 0.14*	1.77 ± 0.20*
Control 100 Hz (n=8)	63.86 ± 3.20	51.74 ± 3.13	0.79 ± 0.04	1.08 ± 0.05
+XE991 100 Hz (n=8)	58.10 ± 3.22*	43.34 ± 2.03*	1.00 ± 0.09*	1.22 ± 0.08*
Control 100 Hz (n=4)	61.64 ± 2.07	55.73 ± 4.28	1.30 ± 0.13	1.43 ± 0.13
+Linopirdine 100 Hz (n=4)	47.51 ± 0.98*	35.92 ± 3.44*	1.51 ± 0.13*	1.85 ± 0.17*
BAPTA 1 Hz (n=11)	91.18 ± 2.91	90.36 ± 3.03	2.45 ± 0.23	4.32 ± 1.58
+XE991 1 Hz (n=11)	91.45 ± 3.13	91.21 ± 3.43	2.65 ± 0.27	4.52 ± 1.57
BAPTA 5 Hz (n=11)	90.18 ± 2.78	88.91 ± 2.96	2.53 ± 0.24	4.50 ± 1.56

+XE991 5 Hz (n=11)	91.63 ± 3.11	90.18 ± 3.32	2.74 ± 0.28	4.81 ± 1.54
BAPTA 20 Hz (n=11)	90.91 ± 2.68	85.64 ± 2.71	2.53 ± 0.25	4.75 ± 1.54
+XE991 20 Hz (n=11)	91.18 ± 2.79	86.09 ± 2.36	2.72 ± 0.26	4.96 ± 1.52
BAPTA 50 Hz (n=11)	90.68 ± 2.44	82.14 ± 2.41	2.37 ± 0.22	4.68 ± 1.54
+XE991 50 Hz (n=11)	91.09 ± 2.48	79.22 ± 2.25	2.77 ± 0.31	4.95 ± 1.52
BAPTA 100 Hz (n=11)	90.45 ± 3.15	63.82 ± 3.55	2.40 ± 0.22	4.74 ± 1.54
+XE991 100 Hz (n=11)	88.45 ± 3.62	65.36 ± 3.00	2.64 ± 0.29	4.85 ± 1.53
Control 1 Hz (n=4)	83.25 ± 6.80	82.75 ± 6.55	2.48 ± 0.38	2.88 ± 0.24
+XE991 and N/P/Q Ca <sup>2+</sup> channel inhibitors 1 Hz (n=4)	76.75 ± 6.37*	74.50 ± 7.08*	3.10 ± 0.39	2.85 ± 0.68
Control 5 Hz (n=6)	94.67 ± 3.97	93.00 ± 3.55	2.30 ± 0.28	2.70 ± 0.28
+XE991 and N/P/Q Ca <sup>2+</sup> channel inhibitors 5 Hz (n=6)	89.00 ± 3.72*	87.33 ± 3.31*	2.48 ± 0.24	2.87 ± 0.24
Control 20 Hz (n=6)	92.83 ± 3.38	85.86 ± 5.45	2.40 ± 0.24	2.83 ± 0.36
+XE991 and N/P/Q Ca <sup>2+</sup> channel inhibitors 20 Hz (n=6)	81.67 ± 6.23*	77.06 ± 6.57*	2.88 ± 0.32	3.28 ± 0.28
Control 50 Hz (n=6)	86.50 ± 5.62	76.83 ± 6.11	2.68 ± 0.37	3.08 ± 0.36
+XE991 and N/P/Q Ca <sup>2+</sup> channel inhibitors 50 Hz (n=6)	68.52 ± 5.69*	62.05 ± 5.12*	3.1 ± 0.29	3.87 ± 0.31
Control 100 Hz (n=5)	88.00 ± 5.17	67.20 ± 5.54	2.36 ± 0.32	3.22 ± 0.38
+XE991 and N/P/Q Ca <sup>2+</sup> channel inhibitors 100 Hz (n=5)	64.47 ± 9.22*	59.20 ± 5.08*	2.70 ± 0.30	3.60 ± 0.36

**Supplementary Table 2:** The mean and standard error of mean values for the amplitude and half-width of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> action potential (AP) in a train elicited at frequencies ranging from 1 Hz – 100 Hz under control conditions or when BAPTA (10 mM or 20 mM) was incorporated in the patch pipette and after subsequent application of 3  $\mu$ M XE991 or 10  $\mu$ M Linopirdine or 3  $\mu$ M XE991 together with 100 nM  $\omega$ -conotoxin GVIA and 100 nM  $\omega$ -agatoxin IVA. The numbers of observations per group are shown in parenthesis. Asterisks (\*) indicate significance at  $p < 0.05$  when compared with the appropriate controls.

**Supplementary Table 3.**

Conductance	Peak Conductance (S/cm <sup>2</sup> )	V <sub>1/2</sub> activation (mV)	V <sub>1/2</sub> inactivation (mV)	Reference
Na <sup>+</sup>	0.12	-40.4	-86.8	Engel and Jonas (2005) <sup>44</sup>
Delayed rectifier type K <sup>+</sup>	0.001	13		Shah et al., (2008) <sup>39</sup>
A-type K <sup>+</sup>	0.01	11	-56	Shah et al., (2008) <sup>39</sup>
Inward rectifier type K <sup>+</sup>	0.021	-98.92		Stegen et al., (2012) <sup>57</sup>
K <sub>v</sub> 7	0.005	-70		Data from this manuscript
Ca <sup>2+</sup>	0.6	-14	-40.11	Shah et al., (2008) <sup>39</sup>

**Supplementary Table 3:** Selected properties of the conductances used in our computational model. The complete set of files are available on ModelDB (<https://senselab.med.yale.edu/modeldb/> accession no. 245417). The Na<sup>+</sup> conductance kinetics was implemented using the fitting parameters reported in Engel and Jonas (2005)<sup>44</sup>. The deactivation time constant of the Ca<sup>2+</sup> conductance was set to 50 ms. For experimental values that were obtained at room temperature, a Q10 value of 5 was used.