

Supplementary Figure Legends

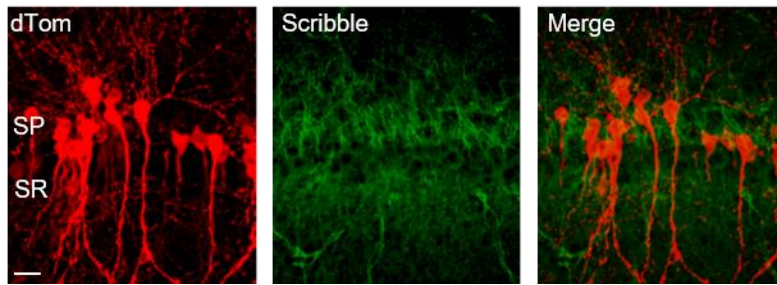


Figure S1. Scribble expression in CA1 pyramidal neurons

Images of Scribble immunofluorescence (green) in representative CA1 pyramidal neurons, at P7, following *in utero* labeling with dTomato marker. SP, stratum pyramidale; SR, stratum radiatum. Scale bar represents 20 μm . Related to Figure 1 - Separate channels for the images shown in Figure 1C.

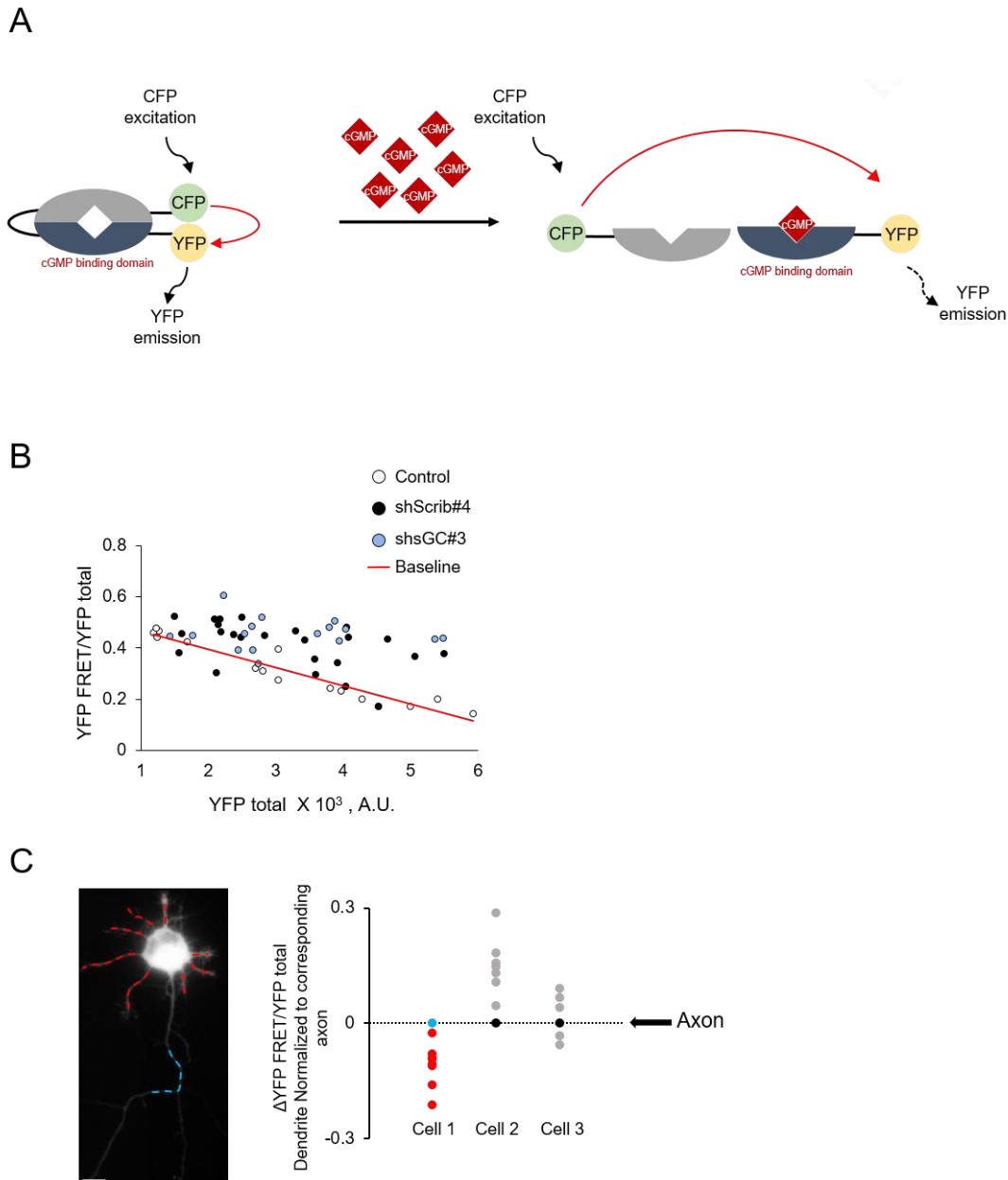


Figure S2. cGMP - FRET measurements in cultured hippocampal neurons

(A) Schematic depiction of the FRET cGMP reporter cGi-500 (Russwurm et al., 2007). The FRET signal was determined by the YFP fluorescence, measured upon CFP excitation (YFP-FRET). Upon cGMP increase and cGMP binding, the cGi-500 sensor relaxes its conformation, resulting in YFP-FRET reduction, whereas cGMP decrease is reflected in YFP-FRET increase.

(B) Measurement of baseline cGMP-levels in cultured hippocampal neurons using FRET cGMP sensor, and effects on cGMP upon Scribble or sGC- β 1 knock-down. Neurons co-transfected with FRET cGMP reporter cGi-500 together with control-, Scribble-, or sGC- β 1-shRNAs, and somatic FRET measurements performed at 36 - 48 hr after. FRET signal was determined by YFP fluorescence measured upon CFP excitation (YFP-FRET). Because the FRET signal (YFP-FRET) in each cell would depend on the level of probe expression in that cell, FRET values (YFP-FRET), were normalized to total YFP levels determined upon YFP excitation (YFP-total, reflecting the level of probe expression). Baseline cGMP for control-transfected cells was determined by FRET signal in each cell normalized to probe expression level in that cell (YFP-FRET / YFP-total), presented for all cells with varying probe concentration (YFP-total; arbitrary fluorescence units, A.U.) (open circles). A range in which somatic FRET (YFP-FRET / YFP-total) demonstrated linear correlation with levels of probe expression (YFP-total), represents baseline

cGMP-levels in control cells (open circles, linear fit). Normalized FRET signals (YFP-FRET / YFP-total) were determined for ShsGC#3 (blue symbols) or ShScrib#4 (black symbols) transfected cells, which expressed cGi-500 at a level for which control cells showed a linear response. Somatic FRET signals (YFP-FRET / YFP-total) for sGC- β 1- or Scribble-shRNA cells were scattered above those for control-shRNA, indicating cGMP decrease compared to control.

(C) Schematic depiction of FRET cGMP measurements in dendrites (as performed in Figure 2I-2J and 7E-7F). Normalized FRET signals (YFP-FRET / YFP-total) were determined for all dendrites in each cell (measurements averaged over the entire dendritic length) and the axon (measurement averaged over a $\sim 50\mu\text{m}$ axonal segment, at least $30\mu\text{m}$ away from the soma). Data was presented for each cell (cell #1, #2, and so on), as the difference in normalized FRET signals ($\Delta\text{YFP-FRET} / \text{YFP-total}$) between dendrites of an individual neuron relative to the axon of that neuron.

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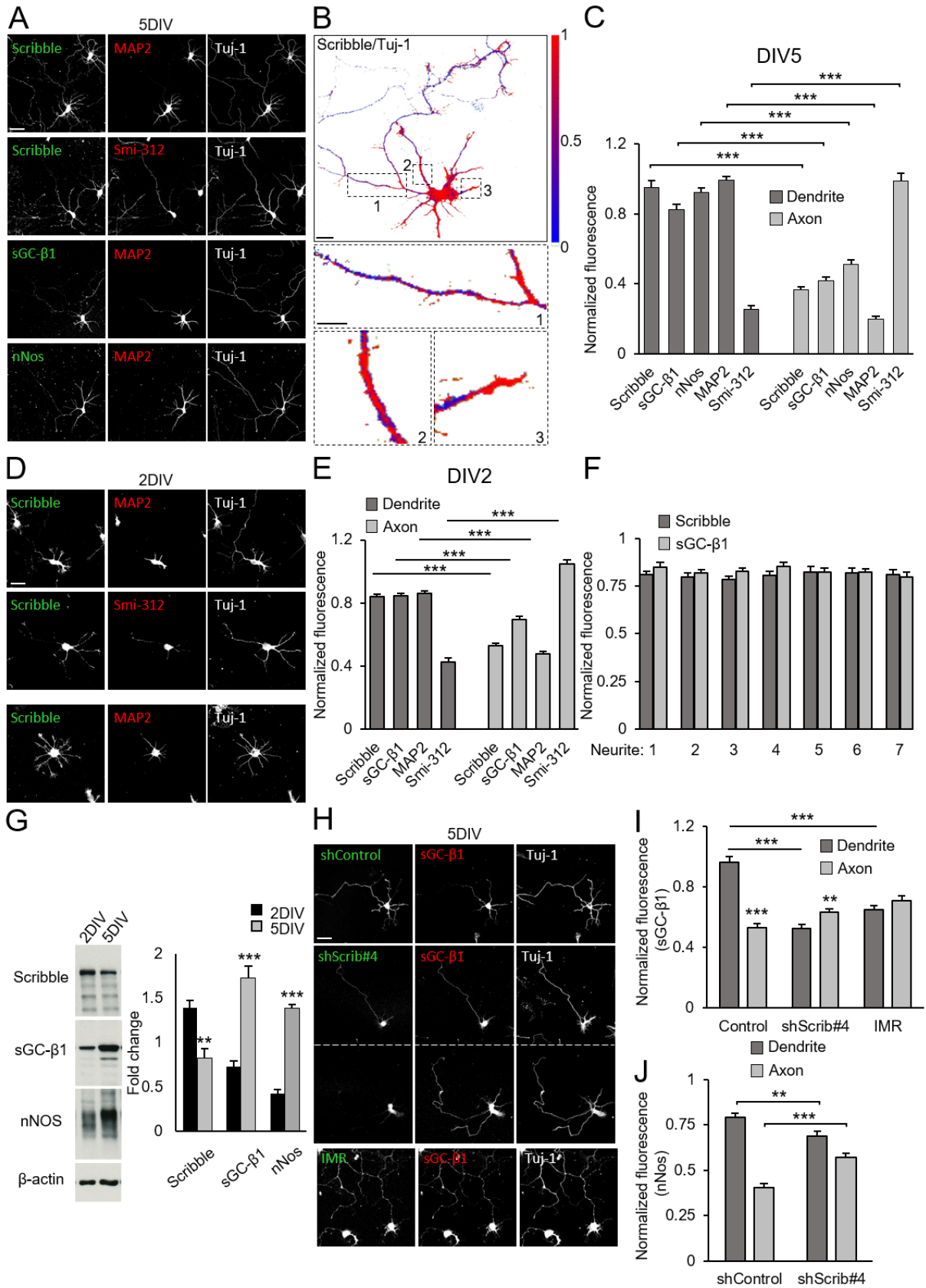


Figure S3. Enrichment of sGC and Scribble expression in dendrites

(A, D, H) Images of representative hippocampal neurons at 5DIV (A, H) or 2DIV (D), immunostained for Scribble, sGC- β 1, or nNOS, together with dendrite or axon markers, MAP2 or smi-312, and neuron-specific marker Tuj-1. (H) Neurons were immunostained following transfection with ShScrib#4 or control shRNA, or IMR domain. (D) Shown 2DIV polarized or non-polarized neurons. Scale bar represents 40 μ m. Distinctly higher levels of Scribble and sGC were found in soma and dendrites of polarized neurons (A, D). sGC enrichment in dendrites was impaired following Scribble knock-down or IMR expression (H).

(B) Image of normalized Scribble fluorescence (Scribble / Tuj-1) in dendrites vs the axon, in a representative polarized hippocampal neuron, immunostained at 5DIV for Scribble and Tuj-1 (together with MAP2; same cell as in top panel in A). Scribble fluorescence normalized to that of Tuj-1, coded in pseudo-colors. Distinctly higher normalized Scribble fluorescence were found in dendrites. Scale bar represents 50 μ m. Bottom, higher magnification images (of boxed regions in the top panel) of normalized Scribble fluorescence in proximal axon (1) or representative dendrites (2 and 3). Scale bar represents 20 μ m.

(C, E) Quantification of immunofluorescence for Scribble, sGC- β 1 or nNOS, or smi-312 or MAP2, in dendrites vs the axon, in all polarized neurons at 5DIV (C) or 2DIV (E), immunostained for Scribble, sGC- β 1 or nNOS, and Tuj-1, together with MAP2 or smi-312. Average fluorescence intensity for Scribble, sGC- β 1, nNOS, smi-312 or MAP2, in each dendrite or the axon, for all neurons (n = 50-75 cells, 3 cultures), was normalized to that of Tuj-1. Distinctly higher levels of Scribble, sGC- β 1 and nNOS were found in dendrites (with high MAP2) than in axons (with high smi-312) at both 2DIV and 5DIV polarized neurons (5DIV; Dendrite: Scribble, 0.95 ± 0.03 ; sGC- β 1, 0.82 ± 0.02 ; nNOS, 0.92 ± 0.02 ; MAP2, 0.99 ± 0.02 ; Smi-312: 0.25 ± 0.02 ; Axon: Scribble, 0.36 ± 0.01 ; sGC- β 1, 0.41 ± 0.02 ; nNOS, 0.51 ± 0.02 ; MAP2, 0.19 ± 0.01 ; Smi-312, 0.98 ± 0.04 ; 2DIV; Dendrite: Scribble, 0.84 ± 0.01 ; sGC- β 1, 0.84 ± 0.02 ; MAP2, 0.86 ± 0.01 ; Smi-312: 0.42 ± 0.02 ; Axon: Scribble, 0.52 ± 0.01 ; sGC- β 1, 0.69 ± 0.01 ; MAP2, 0.47 ± 0.01 ; Smi-312, 0.94 ± 0.01 ; Student's t-test, *** $p \leq 0.001$).

(F) Quantification of Scribble or sGC- β 1 immunofluorescence in undifferentiated neurites of un-polarized neurons at 2DIV, immunostained for Scribble or sGC- β 1, together with Tuj-1 and MAP2. Average fluorescence intensity for Scribble or sGC- β 1 for each neurite, normalized to that of Tuj-1, was plotted in the order of neurite length for the first seven neurites in each cell, averaged over all cells. No significant differences of Scribble or sGC- β 1 fluorescence were found among the neurites (n = 50-60 cells, 3 cultures; One-way ANOVA, Tukey's Multiple Comparison Test).

(G) Immunoblots of total lysates of 2DIV or 5DIV cultured hippocampal neurons with Abs to Scribble, nNOS, or sGC- β 1. Expression at 2DIV vs 5DIV was quantified following normalization to β -actin (\pm SEM, n=4, Student's t-test, ** $p \leq 0.01$; *** $p \leq 0.001$). Scribble expression was higher at 2DIV than at 5DIV.

(I, J) Quantification of sGC- β 1 or nNOS immunofluorescence in dendrites vs the axon, following Scribble knock-down or IMR over-expression. Average sGC- β 1 (I) or nNOS (J) fluorescence intensity in each dendrite vs the axon, normalized to that of Tuj-1, for all polarized neurons at 5DIV, expressing ShScrib#4 or control-shRNA, or IMR (n = 75 cells, 3 cultures). Distinct sGC or nNOS expression in dendrites (see C, and control) was abolished upon Scribble knock-down or IMR expression (sGC- β 1, Dendrite: Control, 0.95 ± 0.04 ; shScrib#4, 0.52 ± 0.02 ; IMR, 0.65 ± 0.02 ; Axon: Control, 0.53 ± 0.03 ; shScrib#4, 0.63 ± 0.02 ; IMR, 0.7 ± 0.03 ; nNOS, Dendrite: shControl, 0.79 ± 0.02 ; shScrib#4, 0.68 ± 0.02 ; Axon: shControl, 0.4 ± 0.02 ; shScrib#4, 0.57 ± 0.02 ; Student's t-test and One-way ANOVA, Tukey's Multiple Comparison Test, ** $p \leq 0.01$; *** $p \leq 0.001$).

Related to Figure 1C and 1D, Figure 2, and Figure 5.

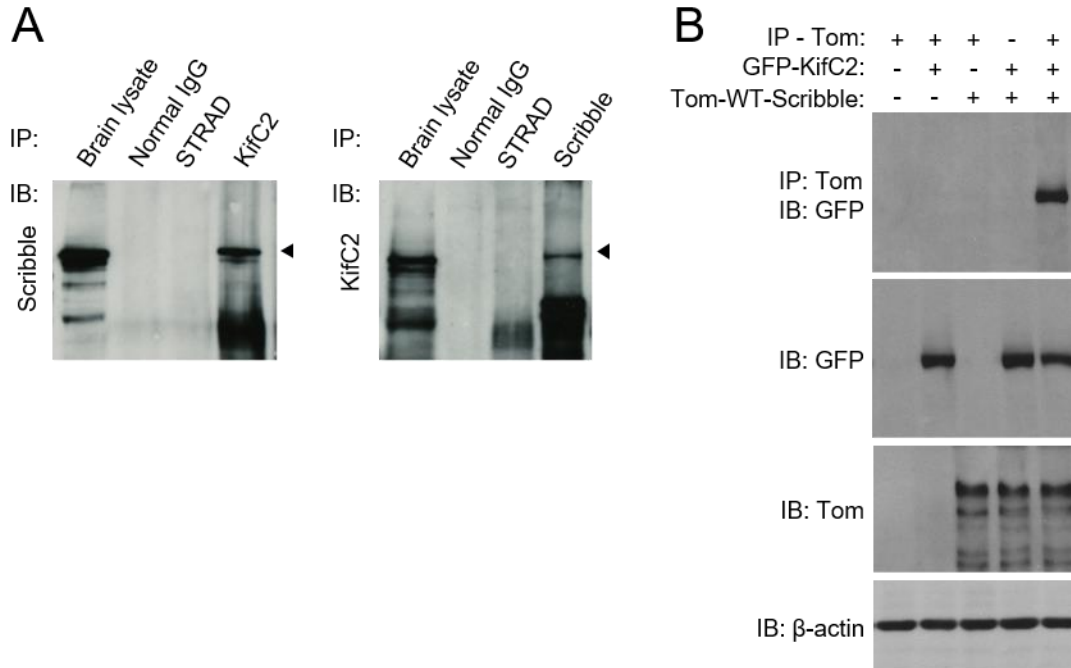


Figure S4. Kinesin KifC2 associates with Scribble

(A) Co-IP of Scribble with KifC2 from the embryonic brain. IP from E18 rat brain lysates with KifC2 or Scribble, and IB with KifC2 or Scribble, to test for reciprocal co-IP with both Abs. “Brain lysate”, total brain lysate. Co-IP with normal IgG or with the control protein STRAD, served control (n = 3).

(B) Co-IP of KifC2 with Scribble from HEK-293 cell lysates co-expressing EGFP-KifC2 with dTom-Scribble. IP, with Tom. IB, with GFP. Total cell lysates were subjected to IB with Tom or GFP, to check expression. Co-IP with normal IgG served control. β -actin served control for loading. Scribble co-precipitated KifC2 (n = 3).

Related to Figure 7.

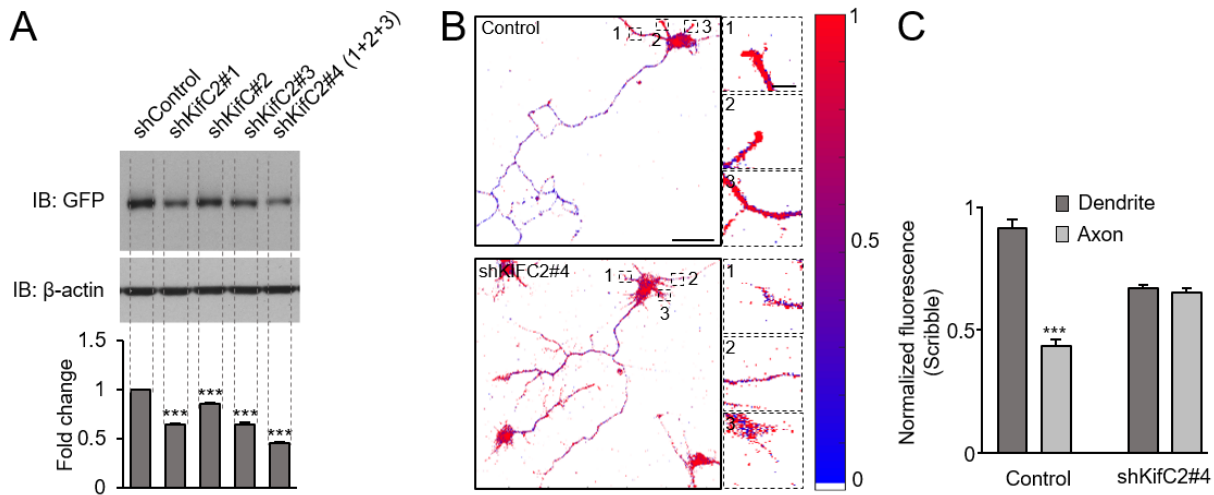


Figure S5. Scribble - KifC2 association is necessary for the dendritic localization of Scribble

(A) Knock-down of KifC2 in HEK-293 cells with shRNAs. Three shRNAs targeting KifC2 (ShKifC2#1, #2 and #3; or ShKifC2#4, a combined pool of ShKifC2#1 + #2 + #3) (cloned into pRNAT-U6.3 vector that also drives either EGFP or dTom expression), co-transfected in HEK-293 cells together with targeted EGFP-KifC2. Whole-cell extracts immunoblotted for GFP. “Control”, control shRNA. KifC2 levels were quantified as fold reduction (\pm SEM, $n=5$; One-way ANOVA; Dunnett's Multiple Comparison Test, $***p \leq 0.001$) relative to control shRNA, normalized to β -actin. Combination of KifC2 shRNAs (ShKifC2#4), most efficiently knocked-down EGFP-KifC2 expression.

(B) Localization of Scribble in axon vs dendrites following KifC2 knock-down. Images of normalized Scribble fluorescence (Scribble / Tuj-1) in dendrites vs the axon, in representative polarized cultured neurons, transfected with ShKifC2#4 or control shRNA, immunostained at 5DIV for Scribble and Tuj-1. Scribble fluorescence normalized to Tuj-1, coded in pseudo-colors. Higher normalized Scribble signal found in dendrites of control-shRNA-transfected cell but not in ShKifC2#4-transfected cell. Scale bar represents 30 μ m. Right, higher magnification images (of boxed regions on left) of normalized Scribble fluorescence in three representative dendrites (1, 2, 3). Scale bar represents 5 μ m.

(C) Quantification of Scribble immunofluorescence in dendrites vs the axon following KifC2 knock-down. Average Scribble immunofluorescence intensity in each dendrite vs the axon normalized to Tuj-1 fluorescence, for all polarized neurons at 5DIV, transfected with ShKifC2#4 or control-shRNA ($n = 75$ cells, 3 cultures). Distinct Scribble localization in dendrites was abolished following KifC2 knock-down (Control: Dendrite, 0.91 ± 0.03 ; Axon, 0.43 ± 0.02 ; ShKifC2#4: Dendrite, 0.67 ± 0.01 ; Axon, 0.65 ± 0.01 ; Student's t-test, $***p \leq 0.001$).

Related to Figure 7. Also related to Figure 1C and 1D and Figure 2.

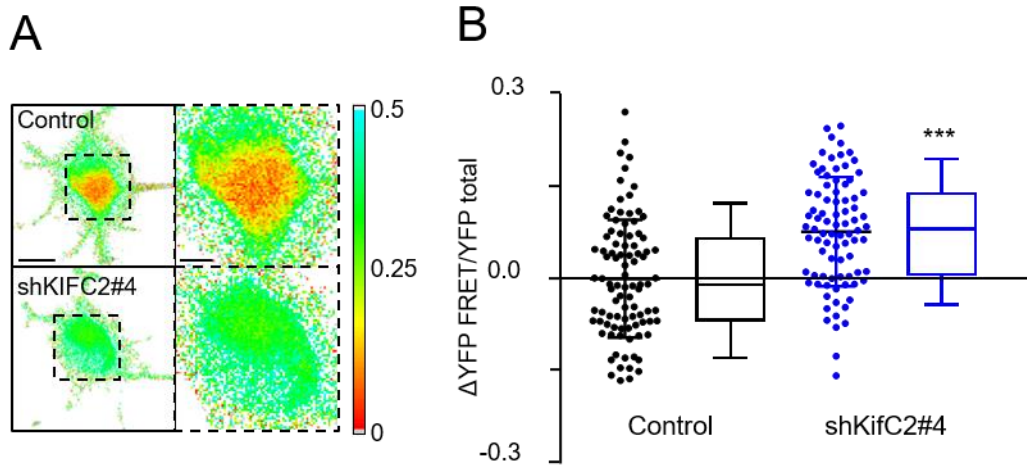


Figure S6. Somatic cGMP levels decrease upon KifC2 knock-down

(A) Representative images of normalized somatic cGMP FRET signals for control- or KifC2-shRNA (ShKifC2#4) transfected cells. Normalized somatic FRET (YFP-FRET / YFP-total) coded in pseudo-colors, for control or ShKifC2#4 cells co-expressing cGi-500. Scale bar represents 10 μ m. Right, higher magnification images (of boxed regions on left). Scale bare represents 5 μ m. Somatic FRET increase upon KifC2 knock-down reflects cGMP decrease.

(B) Summary of the difference in normalized somatic FRET (Δ YFP-FRET / YFP-total) compared to average of control for all control or ShKifC2#4 transfected cells. Cells expressing ShKifC2#4 exhibited higher FRET than average of control, reflecting somatic cGMP decrease (mean \pm SEM; 3 cultures, 20-40 cells each; Control, 0.0 ± 0.010 ; ShKifC2#4, 0.077 ± 0.010 ; Student's t-test, *** $p \leq 0.001$).

Related to Figure 2 and Figure 7.