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- You should state the statistical method of sample size computation and any required assumptions
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- You should report how often each experiment was performed
- You should include a definition of biological versus technical replication
- The data obtained should be provided and sufficient information should be provided to indicate the number of independent biological and/or technical replicates
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No outliers were excluded. Number of replicates are indicated, where appropriate, in figure legends, main text, and Supplementary Materials and Methods. Number of biological replicates were dictated by variability between batches, the number of fusion pore currents that can be recorded per cell (usually only a few), differences between groups, and the need to collect >20-40 current bursts for meaningful statistical analysis and comparison between groups. At least two, usually three or more batches of nanodiscs were used for each condition. 8-26 cells were used for recordings of pore currents for a given condition.

Statistical reporting

- Statistical analysis methods should be described and justified
- Raw data should be presented in figures whenever informative to do so (typically when N
 per group is less than 10)
- For each experiment, you should identify the statistical tests used, exact values of N,
 definitions of center, methods of multiple test correction, and dispersion and precision
 measures (e.g., mean, median, SD, SEM, confidence intervals; and, for the major substantive
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- Report exact p-values wherever possible alongside the summary statistics and 95% confidence intervals. These should be reported for all key questions and not only when the p-value is less than 0.05.

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- Indicate how samples were allocated into experimental groups (in the case of clinical studies, please specify allocation to treatment method); if randomization was used, please also state if restricted randomization was applied
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Experimental groups were chosen based on conditions used (e.g. different calcium concentrations, presence or absence of exogenous PI(4,5)P2, etc.) and/or mutations introduced into Synaptotagmin-1 C2AB domains.

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