

## **Supplementary Information for**

G protein-signaling biased mu opioid receptor agonists that produce sustained G protein activation are noncompetitive agonists

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Figure S1. <sup>35</sup>S-GTP $\gamma$ S binding in membranes prepared following 10 µM pretreatment of live CHO-hMOR cells with the indicated agonists. **A)**. Comparison of DAMGO potency values following 2 hour pre-treatment. (Accompanies Figure 1, Table 1; paired Student's *t* test \*p<0.05, \*\*p<0.01). **B)**. Changes in baseline after 30 minutes pretreatment of live cells. Untransfected cells are shown for comparison (same treatment conditions). \*p<0.05; \*\*\*\*p<0.0001, paired Student's *t*-test. (Accompanies Figure 1).



Figure S2. <sup>35</sup>S-GTP $\gamma$ S baseline binding following SR-17018 or SR14968 (10 µM, 30 min) pretreatment in **A**). mouse brainstem membranes and **B**). SH-SY5Y cell membranes. The normalized means data are presented in Figures 2H and I, respectively. Since the vehicle treated group was matched for each replicate of each drug treatment, a one-way RM-ANOVA followed by a Dunnett's post-hoc test for variance was applied, \*p<0.05. **A**). No stimulation was observed in the MOR-KO (paired *t*-test, p>0.05).



Figure S3. Lack of MOR agonist-stimulated <sup>35</sup>S-GTPgS binding in membranes prepared from MOR-KO mouse brainstem (mean with 95% CI). (Accompanies Figure 4)